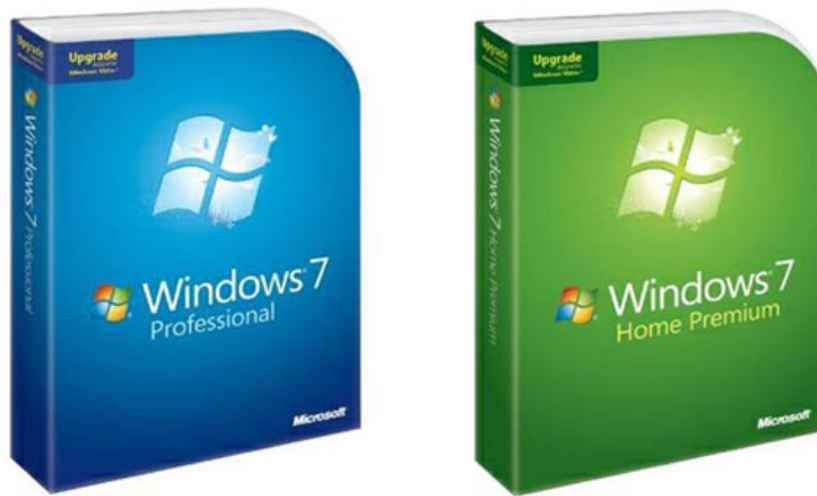


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Windows 7 has sold 350 million copies in 18 months. (Photo: Cnet).

In April 2011, Microsoft said it had sold 350 million copies of Windows 7 software in the first 18 months after its release, according to *Bloomberg*. The success of Windows 7 despite the growing development of tablet PCs in the computer market recently.

According to the scheduled schedule, Microsoft will switch to the potential tablet market with the release of Windows 8 on devices of manufacturers such as Dell, Lenovo, Samsung .

However, it is still hard to confirm whether Windows 8 will succeed on tablets. Market research firm NPD DisplaySearch predicts that Windows 8 tablets will only consume about 4 million of 184.2 million devices that are expected to hit shelves in 2013. Even by the end of 2014, Sales of Windows 8 tablets were also at the ceiling level of 11.6 million units.

As of April 2012, Windows and Windows Live Division earned Microsoft \$ 4.62 billion in revenue, up 4% over the same period the previous year. In it, Windows 7 is still the platform available in most desktop computers with a market share of about 40% worldwide.

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