

Determine if my operating system is 32-bit or 64-bit

For Windows XP Operating system

Click **Start**, then click on

Run or **Start Search**.

Type **msinfo32.exe**
and then press **Enter** key.

In “System Information”, review the value for the **System Type** item:
For 32-bit editions of Windows, the value of the System Type item is
x86-based PC.

For 64-bit editions of Windows, the value of the System Type item is
x64-based PC.

For Windows Vista Operating system

Click the **Start** icon (lower lefthand corner of your task bar).

In the **Start Search** box type **System**.

Wait for the list to populate and select **System** under the "Programs" heading.

A window will appear and under the "System" heading look for "System type" where 32-bit or 64-bit will be listed.