Identity infrastructure for Microsoft 365

A well-planned and executed identity infrastructure provides stronger security and access by authenticated users and devices to your productivity workloads and their data.

### Microsoft 365 for enterprise plans

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### Azure AD provides Identity as a Service (IDaaS)

Azure AD offers a common set of services for Microsoft 365, SaaS and PaaS apps, and business partners and customers, and can be synchronized with Active Directory Domain Services (AD DS) accounts.

On-premises users

- Accounts
- AD DS
  - Domain controllers running agents for Azure AD Connect Health

Remote users

- On-premises
  - Application server
  - Connector server
- Application Proxy

Server running Azure AD Connect

Microsoft 365 cloud apps

Microsoft Intune

Other SaaS and PaaS apps

Business partners (B2B)

Customers (B2C)

Common set of identity services

### Identity infrastructure

Many organizations have an on-premises AD DS forest and use Azure AD Connect to synchronize objects to Azure AD. Additional agents and servers facilitate Azure AD subservices.

The Azure AD tenant of your Microsoft 365 subscription serves Microsoft 365 and Intune services, stores objects and settings, and hosts subservices that extend Azure AD functionality.

### Your Microsoft 365 subscription

- Microsoft 365 cloud apps
- Microsoft Intune

- Objects
  - Users
  - Groups
  - Devices
  - Apps

- Settings
  - Domain names
  - Azure Multi-Factor Authentication
  - Conditional Access
  - Authentication methods

- Subservices
  - Azure AD Connect
  - Privileged Identity Management (PIM)
  - Identity Protection
  - Application Proxy
  - Connect Health
  - Diagnostics

For deployment guidance, visit aka.ms/m365edeployid.
For more details on these authentication configurations, visit aka.ms/m365goldenconfig.