

AI-ready infrastructure



Iron Mountain Data Centers (IMDC) has extensive experience in supporting both traditional Machine Learning (ML) and generative Artificial Intelligence (AI) applications for customers using High-Performance Compute (HPC) architectures in the data center.

Generative AI models are among the most powerful and compute-intensive applications, and require specialized infrastructure. Typically, AI applications require much higher-density power than standard customer equipment, with matching advanced cooling capability and more extensive backup resources to maintain uptime. They operate best with modular architectures which can be added to easily as more processing, memory, and power are needed.

Server architecture typically doubles year-on-year and new and more efficient chips are constantly being launched. This, and the exceptional power requirements of AI, makes the selection of efficient components combined with low-or-no-carbon power a critical factor, as well as effective equipment lifecycle management and recycling, particularly for high-value GPUs.



AI: infrastructure requirements at IMDC

Top 10 considerations when selecting AI-ready infrastructure are



Power density

Ultra-high-density power of from 30-50 kW/rack



Backup power

Robust backup power for 24/7 operation with a range of low-carbon fuel sources, including battery and hydrogen power.



Modular design

elastic architecture for additional complexity, new datasets and exponential growth



Advanced cooling

Advanced cooling for heat-intensive rendering and extended hardware lifespan



Rich connectivity

High-bandwidth network ports for data upload during training phase



Low latency

Low latency connectivity to inference points, particularly for real-time and immersive AI; this may require a distributed network of data centers



Infrastructure efficiency

Optimized facility PUE and latest GPUs to minimize costs and waste



Strong security

Certified protocols to safeguard generative models and proprietary data, combined with a global compliance program



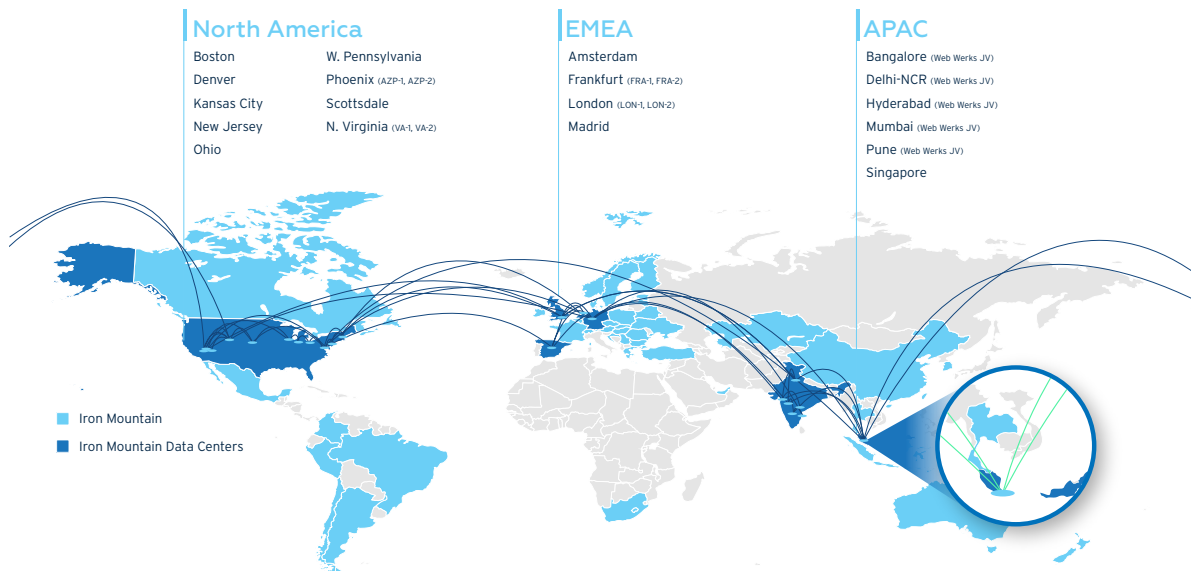
Route to decarbonization

100% renewable power, with defined path to 24/7 Carbon Free Energy operations



ALM

Asset Lifecycle Management for optimized compute performance and recycling/re-marketing/resale of precious servers, CPUs and GPUs



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