

N3K-C3636C-R Datasheet

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Overview

N3K-C3636C-R is the Nexus 3636C-R switch, with 36p QSFP28 MACSEC. The Cisco Nexus 3636C-R switch is a high-speed, high-density 10-, 25-, 40-, or 100-Gigabit Ethernet (GE) switch designed for the data center spine. The large buffers and routing table sizes of the 3636C-R also make this switch an alternative for a wide range of applications, such as IP storage, demilitarized zone (DMZ), big data, and edge routing. The switch comes in a compact 1-Rack-Unit (1RU) form factor and provides extensive Layer 2 and Layer 3 functions. It is part of the R-Series family and runs industry-leading Cisco® NX-OS Software.

Quick Specs

Table 1 shows the Quick Specs.

Product Code	N3K-C3636C-R
Physical	<ul style="list-style-type: none">·1RU fixed-form-factor switch·36 QSFP28 ports; each supports native 100-GE and 40-GE mode·2 redundant power supplies·3 redundant fans·Lane select LED button·Management, console, and USB flash-memory ports
Performance	<ul style="list-style-type: none">·7.2-Tbps switching capacity·Forwarding rate of up to 3.34 bpps·Line-rate traffic throughput (both Layer 2 and 3) on all ports for packet size larger than 115 bytes·Configurable Maximum Transmission Unit (MTU) of up to 9216 bytes (jumbo frames)
Physical dimensions (H x W x D)	1.65 x 17.3 x 31.22 in. (4.2 x 44 x 79.3 cm) 1.72 x 17.3 x 26.85 in. (4.4 x 43.9 x 68.2 cm)
Weight	35.627.1 lb (12.316.1 kg)

Product Details

The Cisco Nexus 3636C-R provides the following main benefits:

- 1. Wire-rate Layer 2 and 3 switching** on all ports with up to 7.2 Terabits per second (Tbps) and up to 3.34 billion packets per second (bpps)
- 2. Programmability with support for the Cisco NX-API**, Linux containers, XML, and JavaScript Object Notation (JSON) APIs, the OpenStack plug-in, Python, and Puppet and Chef configuration and automation tools
- 3. High performance and scalability with an 8-core CPU**, 32 GB of DRAM, and 16 GB of dynamic buffer allocation, making the switch excellent for massively scalable data centers and big-data applications
- 4. MACSec capability**
- 5. Higher TCAM capability**
- 6. Flexibility:**
 - (1)Fiber cabling solutions are available for 10-, 25-, 40-, 50-, and 100-Gbps connectivity, including Active Optical Cable (AOC) and Direct-Attached Cable (DAC).
 - (2) Configurable QSFP28 Uplinks to work as 4 x 25-Gbps or 4 x 10-Gbps port.
- 7. High availability:**
 - (1)Virtual Port Channel (VPC) technology provides Layer 2 multipathing by eliminating the Spanning Tree Protocol. It also enables fully used bisectional bandwidth and simplified Layer 2 logical topologies without the need to change the existing management and deployment models.
 - (2) Advanced maintenance capabilities include hot and cold patching and Graceful Insertion and Removal (GIR) mode.
 - (3) The switch uses hot-swappable Power-Supply Units (PSUs) and fans.
- 8. NX-OS operating system with comprehensive, proven innovations:**
 - (1) Power-On Auto Provisioning (POAP) enables touchless bootup and configuration of the switch, drastically reducing provisioning time.
 - (2) Cisco Embedded Event Manager (EEM) and Python scripting enable automation and remote operations in the data center.

(3)EtherAnalyzer is a built-in packet analyzer for monitoring and troubleshooting control-plane traffic that is based on the popular Wireshark open-source network protocol analyzer.

(4)Complete Layer 3 unicast and multicast routing protocol suites are supported, including Border Gateway Protocol (BGP), Open Shortest Path First (OSPF), Enhanced Interior Gateway Routing Protocol (EIGRP), Routing Information Protocol Version 2 (RIPv2), Protocol Independent Multicast Sparse Mode (PIM-SM), Source-Specific Multicast (SSM), and Multicast Source Discovery Protocol (MSDP).

The Accessories

Table 2 shows the supported accessories.

Model	Description
NXA-FAN-65CFM-PI	Nexus Fan, 65CFM, port side intake airflow
NXA-FAN-65CFM-PE	Nexus Fan, 65CFM, port side exhaust airflow
NXA-PAC-2KW-PI	Nexus 9000 2KW AC Power Supply, Port-side Intake
NXA-PAC-2KW-PE	Nexus 9000 2KW AC Power Supply, Port-side Exhaust
NXA-PDC-2KW-PI	Nexus 9000 2KW DC Power Supply, Port-side Intake
NXA-PDC-2KW-PE	Nexus 9000 2KW DC Power Supply, Port-side Exhaust

Compare to Similar Items

Table 3 shows the comparison.

Product Code	N3K-C3132C-Z	N3K-C3636C-R
Ports	32 fixed 100 Gigabit Ethernet QSFP28 ports	36 QSFP28 ports; each supports native 100-GE and 40-GE mode
Physical dimensions (H x W x D)	17.3W x 1.72H x 18.5D” (43.9 x 4.36 x 46.99cm)	1.65 x 17.3 x 31.22 in. (4.2 x 44 x 79.3 cm) 1.72 x 17.3 x 26.85 in. (4.4 x 43.9 x 68.2 cm)
Weight	19.2 lb. with PSU and fan 13.8 lb. without PSU and fan	35.627.1 lb (12.316.1 kg)

Specification

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Hardware tables and scalability	Number of MAC addresses	750,000
	Number of Virtual LANs (VLANs)	4096
	Number of spanning-tree instances	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Rapid Spanning Tree Protocol (RSTP): 512Multiple Spanning Tree Protocol (MSTP): 64
	Number of Access Control List (ACL) entries	<ul style="list-style-type: none">7000 ingress

	Routing table	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maximum number of Longest-Prefix-Match (LPM) routes: 128,000 Maximum number of IP host entries: 750,000 Maximum number of MAC address entries: 192,000 Maximum number of Layer 3 multicast entries: 64,000
	Number of EtherChannels	256 (with VPC)
	Number of ports per EtherChannel	32
	Buffer size	16 GB
	System memory	32 GB
	Boot-flash memory	128 GB
	Frequency	50 to 60 Hz
Power	Power-supply types	AC (forward and reverse airflow) DC (port- side exhaust)
	Typical operating power	921 Watt (W)
	Maximum power	1,341W
	AC Power-Supply Units (PSUs) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Input voltage Frequency Power-supply efficiency 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 100 to 240 VAC 50 to 60 Hz 89–91% at 220V
	Maximum heat dissipation	2,631 MBtuTU
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Forward and reverse airflow schemes Forward airflow: Port-side exhaust (air enters through fan tray and power supplies and exits through ports) Reverse airflow: Port-side intake (air enters through ports and exits through fan tray and power supplies) Redundant fans Hot-swappable (must swap within 31 minutes) 	
	Measured sound power (maximum) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fan speed (PE): 50% duty cycle Fan speed (PE): 90% duty cycle Fan speed (PI) 50% duty cycle Fan speed (PI) 90% duty cycle Fan speed: 100% duty cycle 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 74.6 dBA 87.5 dBA 76.2 dBA 90.0 dBA
Cooling	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dimensions (height x width x depth) 1.65 x 17.3 x 31.22 in. (4.2 x 44 x 79.3 cm) 1.72 x 17.3 x 26.85 in. (4.4 x 43.9 x 68.2 cm) 	
Sound	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Weight 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 35.627.1 lb (12.316.1 kg)
Environment	Temperature: Operating	32 to 104°F (0 to 40°C)
	Temperature: Storage	–40 to 158°F (–40 to 70°C)
	Relative humidity: Operating	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10– to 85% noncondensing Up to 5 days at maximum (85%) humidity Recommend American Society of Heating, Refrigeration, and Air-Conditioning Engineers (ASHRAE) data center environment
	Relative humidity: Storage	5 –to 95% noncondensing
	Altitude	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0– to 10,000 ft (0 to 3000m)
	Mean Time Between Failures (MTBF)	194,870 hours

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