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Today is the last day of what Microsoft calls “**mainstream support**” and this has been planned since a long time.

Windows 7 users don't panic: **Windows 7 will get security updates and patches for the next five years**, the real deadline is Jan 14, 2020.

In the meantime, Microsoft won't be issuing no further development of **NEW** features for W7.

Besides a [well-known life-cycle deadline roadmap](#), this move tries to move users towards Windows 8 (quite unlikely) or to prepare them for the upcoming Windows 10.

Right now, Windows 7 is reportedly running almost half of the world's PCs while a huge amount of **Windows XP** computers are still out there.

Yes, Windows XP! The never-dying OS that Microsoft declared for dead last year in April, shocking the world...

Again, don't panic: Windows 7 will be mainstream, usable and supported for some time in the future...

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