



AVG Cleaner for Mac

Testing Whitepaper

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Chapter 1 | Introduction & Device Details

This whitepaper documents the impact of AVG Cleaner for Mac on two typical Apple Macs.

The aim is to determine the amount of data produced by both the OS, the applications and the users. AVG Cleaner for Mac identifies these unnecessary app caches, log files, cookies, old downloads and other unwanted files on Apple Mac computers and MacBook laptops.

The cleaning tests were performed on the two following devices:



MacBook Pro® Retina 15"

Details & Preparation:

The MacBook was purchased in May 2013 and was since used between 8 and 14 hours a day for office work, productivity, gaming, movie watching and graphic design.

iMac® 27"

Details & Preparation:

The iMac was purchased in June 2014 and has since been used by a family for web browsing, basic web design, casual gaming and light office work.



Chapter 1 | Introduction & Device Details cont.

Test tool used: [AVG Cleaner™ for Mac](#) provides MacBook Air®, MacBook Pro®, iMac® & Mac Pro users running OS X Lion® (and onwards) with a simple and effective way to both detect leftover data and remove it.

AVG Cleaner for Mac, available to download for free from the Mac App Store, analyzes invisible data trash and unwanted duplicate files that gather on Mac computers through everyday usage, helping to disk space for storing precious photos, music and other important files.

We've used our app to find the following types of hidden clutter and duplicates, including:

- **Forgotten duplicate files:**
Viewing, copying and editing files could result in duplicate music, photos, videos and documents
- **Uninstall leftovers:**
Even if an application has been uninstalled, unneeded cache files may remain
- **Download folder:**
Many old unneeded files including setup files, videos, pictures and documents may end up in the OS X download folder
- **Browser cache:**
Safari®, Chrome®, and Firefox® web browsers store non critical temporary cache files and cookies in a cache folder. Deleting this cache not only frees up drive space but can help protect privacy
- **Crash files and logs:**
Update logs and crash reports are created automatically by both Mac OS and 3rd party applications. This data is not critical and can waste a lot of drive space



Chapter 2 | Test Results

This chapter contains all the results from our lab testing and should give readers an impression of how much leftover data accumulated on two relatively new devices.

2.1 Test Results Disclaimer

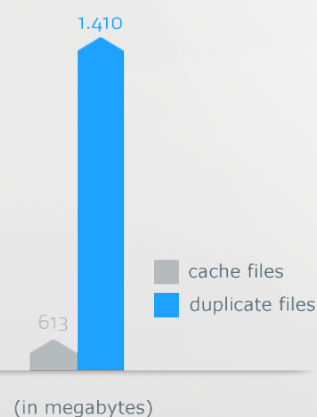
The following test results were performed under a highly controlled environment, in accordance to industry standards, and with professional measurement software and techniques. The tests were done with care. However, the testers cannot guarantee that these cleaning tests are absolute accurate and can be reproduced on other Mac computers. As leftover files accumulate constantly during usage, the results taken with AVG Cleaner for Mac only represent a snapshot in time.

Still, the results represent a close to real presentation of Mac computers after a certain time of continuous usage and how an optimization product is capable of solving these problems.

2.2 Cleaning Results (MacBook Pro with Retina Display 15")

Results: More than **14.1 GB** of duplicate files were detected on the MacBook, which included mostly duplicate photos and videos. We also found that applications had forgotten to cleanup after themselves, leaving behind a total of 613 MB of redundant data.

14.7 GB
of unneeded files cleaned
MacBook Pro with
Retina Display (Core i7)



Chapter 2 | Test Results cont...

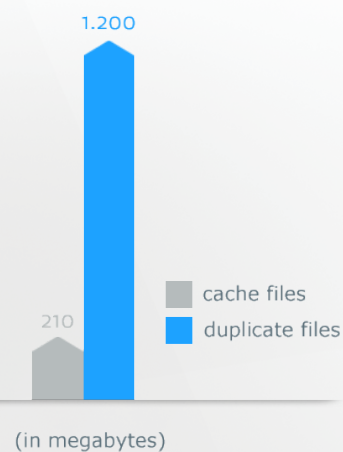
2.3 Cleaning Results (iMac 27")

Results: Even after just a few weeks of usage, the iMac had collected more than **210 MB** of worthless files and **1,200 MB** of duplicate data that the family had forgotten about and was finally able to clean up.

Bottom Line

Both devices have accumulated between 1.4 and 15 GB of useless data over the span of just about one year, which would have been left undetected without the use AVG Cleaner for Mac.

1.4 GB
of unneeded files cleaned
iMac 27"



Chapter 3 | Contact Information

The contact information below is provided in case you are working with particular individuals or agencies on this review. If you have any questions around AVG Cleaner for Mac, please contact:

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