



**SPC BENCHMARK 2™  
EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

**IBM CORPORATION  
IBM SYSTEM STORAGE DS5020 EXPRESS (RAID-5)**

**SPC-2™ V1.3**

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### **Revision Information and Key Dates**

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<b>Date the TSC completed audit certification</b>	October 6, 2009

### **Tested Storage Product (TSP) Description**

The IBM DS5020 storage system is designed to provide midrange customers with the performance, reliability, and robust functionality enterprise customers are accustomed to – at an affordable price. Its core features and dynamic flexibility make it a great fit for a wide range of requirements, providing peace of mind and exceptional return on investment. The System Storage DS5020 Express disk system includes an industry leading 8 Gbps Fibre Channel (FC) as well as iSCSI host capability that seamlessly integrates into existing and new infrastructures, while providing the balanced performance needed to satisfy the mixed workloads created by consolidation. Its modular architecture and efficiencies help lower acquisition and operational costs as performance and configuration requirements can be met with minimal raw capacity. And when it's time to expand, the DS5020 can add incremental capacity with no downtime.

## SPC-2 Reported Data

SPC-2 Reported Data consists of three groups of information:

- The following SPC-2 Primary Metrics, which characterize the overall benchmark result:
  - SPC-2 MBPS™
  - SPC-2 Price Performance
  - Application Storage Unit (ASU) Capacity
- Supplemental data to the SPC-2 Primary Metrics.
  - Total Price
  - Data Protection Level
- Reported Data for each SPC Test: Large File Processing (LFP), Large Database Query (LDQ), and Video on Demand Delivery (VOD) Test.

SPC-2 Reported Data				
IBM System Storage DS5020 Express (RAID-5)				
SPC-2 MBPS™	SPC-2 Price-Performance	ASU Capacity (GB)	Total Price	Data Protection Level
1,244.89	\$75.30	3,504.693	\$93,742	RAID-5
<i>The above SPC-2 MBPS™ value represents the aggregate data rate of all three SPC-2 workloads: Large File Processing (LFP), Large Database Query (LDQ), and Video On Demand (VOD)</i>				
SPC-2 Large File Processing (LFP) Reported Data				
	Data Rate (MB/second)	Number of Streams	Data Rate per Stream	Price-Performance
LFP Composite	988.44			\$94.84
Write Only:				
1024 KiB Transfer	880.85	32	27.53	
256 KiB Transfer	407.34	32	12.73	
Read-Write:				
1024 KiB Transfer	1,100.74	32	34.40	
256 KiB Transfer	592.66	32	18.52	
Read Only:				
1024 KiB Transfer	1,472.81	32	46.03	
256 KiB Transfer	1,476.23	32	46.13	
<i>The above SPC-2 Data Rate value for LFP Composite represents the aggregate performance of all three LFP Test Phases: (Write Only, Read-Write, and Read Only).</i>				
SPC-2 Large Database Query (LDQ) Reported Data				
	Data Rate (MB/second)	Number of Streams	Data Rate per Stream	Price-Performance
LDQ Composite	1,362.11			\$68.82
1024 KiB Transfer Size				
4 I/Os Outstanding	1,451.65	32	45.36	
1 I/O Outstanding	1,421.96	32	44.44	
64 KiB Transfer Size				
4 I/Os Outstanding	1,293.55	32	40.42	
1 I/O Outstanding	1,281.28	32	40.04	
<i>The above SPC-2 Data Rate value for LDQ Composite represents the aggregate performance of the two LDQ Test Phases: (1024 KiB and 64 KiB Transfer Sizes).</i>				
SPC-2 Video On Demand (VOD) Reported Data				
	Data Rate (MB/second)	Number of Streams	Data Rate per Stream	Price-Performance
	1,384.13	1,760	0.79	\$67.73

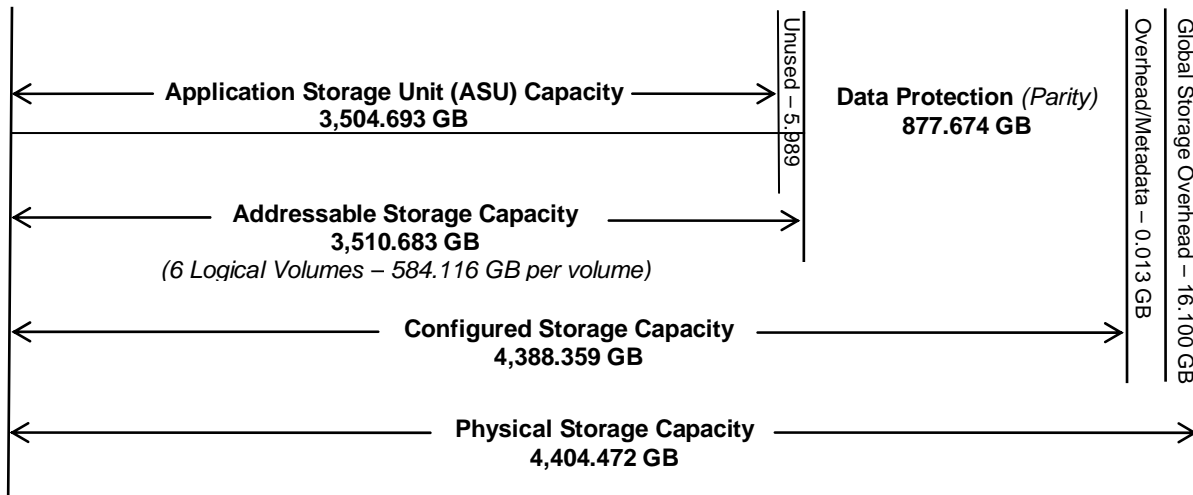
**SPC-2 MBPS™** represents the aggregate data rate, in megabytes per second, of all three SPC-2 workloads: Large File Processing (LFP), Large Database Query (LDQ), and Video on Demand (VOD).

**ASU (Application Storage Unit) Capacity** represents the total storage capacity read and written in the course of executing the SPC-2 benchmark.

A **Data Protection Level of Protected** using **RAID-5** provides data protection by distributing check data corresponding to user data across multiple disks in the form of bit-by-bit parity.

### Storage Capacities and Relationships

The following diagram (*not to scale*) documents the various storage capacities, used in this benchmark, and their relationships.



<b>SPC-1 Storage Capacity Utilization</b>	
Application Utilization	79.57%
Protected Application Utilization	99.50%
Unused Storage Ratio	0.11%

**Application Utilization:** Total ASU Capacity (*3,504.693 GB*) divided by Physical Storage Capacity (*4,404.472 GB*)

**Protected Application Utilization:** (Total ASU Capacity (*3,504.693 GB*) plus total Data Protection Capacity (*877.674 GB*) minus unused Data Protection Capacity (*0.000 GB*)) divided by Physical Storage Capacity (*4,404.472 GB*)

**Unused Storage Ratio:** Total Unused Capacity (*5.989 GB*) divided by Physical Storage Capacity (*4,404.472 GB*) and may not exceed 45%.

Detailed information for the various storage capacities and utilizations is available on pages 21-22 in the Full Disclosure Report.

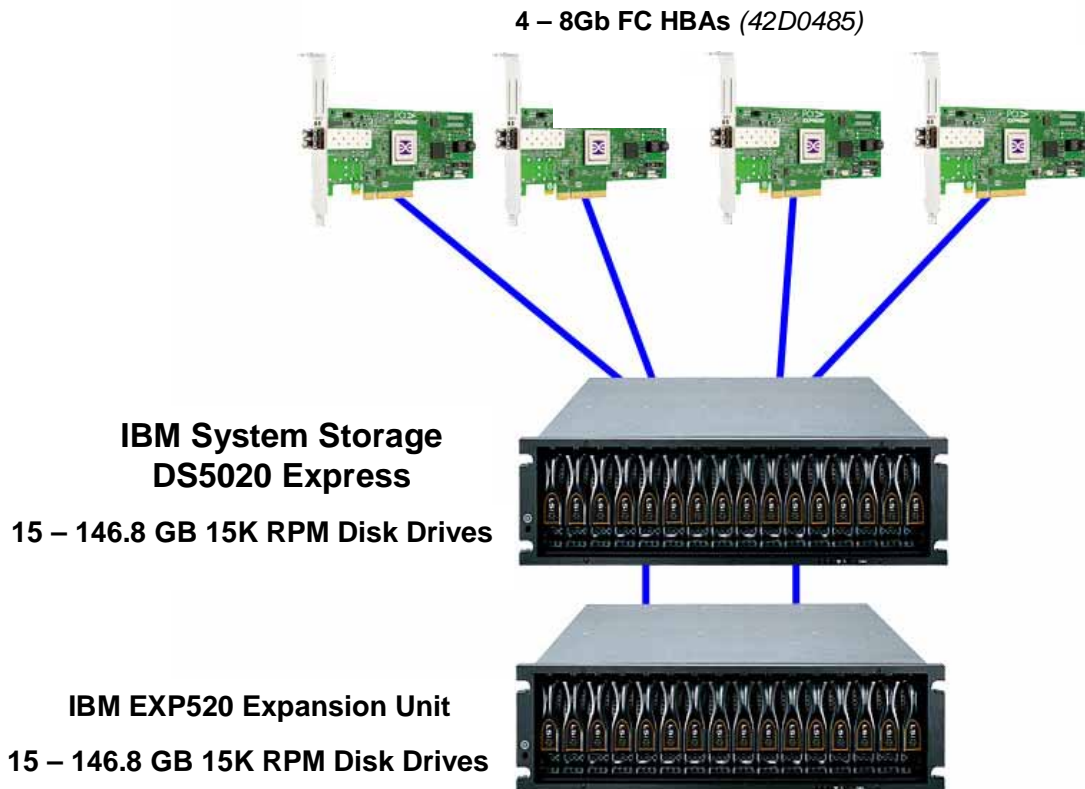
### **Tested Storage Configuration Pricing (*Priced Storage Configuration*)**

<b>Description</b>	<b>Unit Price</b>	<b>Quantity</b>	<b>Extended Price</b>
IBM DS5020 storage system			
DS5020 disk storage array (MTM 1814-20A) <i>Note- this includes 1 GB RAM per controller, and four 8Gb Fibre Channel host connections per controller, and four – 4Gb FC drive connections</i>	\$ 22,500.00	1 \$	22,500.00
Feature #2070 - DS5020 Additional 2GB Cache Memory	\$ 4,000.00	1 \$	4,000.00
Feature #7801 - DS5020 - Windows Host Kit	\$ 1,250.00	1 \$	1,250.00
Feature #8700 - DS5020 - 2 Storage Partitions - Plant	\$ 1,500.00	1 \$	1,500.00
Feature #3605 - 5m FC cable	\$ 129.00	6 \$	774.00
EXP520 expansion units (MTM 1814-52A)	\$ 6,000.00	1 \$	6,000.00
Feature #4200 - DS5020 146.8GB/15K 4GB/S FC DDM	\$ 1,605.00	30 \$	48,150.00
HBA model 42D0485	\$ 1,299.00	4 \$	5,196.00
Maintenance (3 years, 24x7 with 4 hour response)	\$ 4,372.00	1 \$	4,372.00
			<b>\$ 93,742.00</b>

### **Differences between the Tested Storage Configuration (TSC) and Priced Storage Configuration**

The difference between the Tested Storage Configuration and Priced Storage Configuration is that the priced disk drives are mounted in an IBM drive carrier and each disk drive is configured to self-identify as a DS5020 brand.

### Priced Storage Configuration Diagram



### Priced Storage Configuration Components

<b>Priced Storage Configuration:</b>
4 – 8Gb FC HBAs (42D0485)
<b>SC-1/SC-2: IBM System Storage DS5020 Express</b> 2 – dual-active controllers with: 2 GB cache per controller 4 – 8 Gb Fibre Channel front-end connections per controller (8 total, 4 used – 2 per controller) 4 – 4 Gb Fibre Channel backend connection (4 used)
1 – IBM EXP520 expansion unit
30 – 146.8 GB 15K RPM disk drives