

Compute 100Gb Ethernet Adapters for HPE QuickSpecs

**Secure, scalable networks powering AI, cloud,
and streaming demands.**

Driven by hybrid cloud services, mobile data and streaming video applications, and new AI workloads, IT professionals are constantly challenged to deliver secure and reliable network bandwidth that cost-effectively scales to demands of the networking traffic. For any given workload, the right mix of performance, efficiency, reliability and security are paramount.

HPE has your data center infrastructure covered with the latest networking adapters, switches, transceivers and cables for a complete end-to-end solution to support your various workload needs.

Overview

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Starting with Gen10 Plus ProLiant Servers, HPE offers the industry's most secure server platform. Through its Root of Trust server design down to the Network Interface Card (NIC), these security features are built-in so you can deploy with confidence. HPE Gen10 Plus servers will help prevent, detect and recover from cyberattacks such as denial of service and malware-infected firmware. Protecting applications, data, and infrastructure from security breaches through storage and networking security technologies is a first priority for HPE Gen10 Plus Servers.

With Gen11 and Gen12 ProLiant Servers, HPE continues to offer industry-leading security and builds on Gen10 Plus features by adding support for SPDM security on select Ethernet Adapters.



Models

Generation Support		Gen10+	Gen11	Gen12
Intel E810-CQDA2 Ethernet 100Gb 2-port QSFP28 Adapter for HPE	P21112-B21	X	X	X
Intel E810-CQDA2 Ethernet 100Gb 2-port QSFP28 OCP3 Adapter for HPE	P22767-B21	X	X	X
Intel E810-2CQDA2 Ethernet 100Gb 2-port QSFP28 Adapter for HPE ¹	P41611-B21	X ¹	X ¹	
Mellanox MCX623106AS-CDAT Ethernet 100Gb 2-port QSFP56 Adapter for HPE	P25960-B21	X	X	X
Broadcom BCM57608 Ethernet 100Gb 2-port QSFP112 Adapter for HPE	P73111-B21		X	X
Broadcom BCM57608 Ethernet 100Gb 2-port QSFP112 OCP3 Adapter for HPE	P73114-B21		X	X

Notes: Please go to [Service and Support Section](#) to visit the hyperlinks.

– ¹ Intel E810-2CQDA2 Ethernet 100Gb 2-port QSFP28 Adapter for HPE - P41611-B21 is qualified on DL110 server platform only.

Kit Contents

PCIe Ethernet Adapter Option Kits include:

- HPE Ethernet Adapter (with Full-Height bracket installed)
- Quick install card
- Product warranty statement
- Low Profile Bracket

OCP Ethernet Adapter Option Kits include:

- HPE Ethernet Adapter
- Quick install card
- Product warranty statement

Server support

Network Adapters below are supported on select HPE ProLiant DL110/320/325/340/345/360/365/380/385/560/580 & Alletra 2000/4100/4200/6500 Servers

- Intel E810-CQDA2 Ethernet 100Gb 2-port QSFP28 Adapter for HPE
- Intel E810-CQDA2 Ethernet 100Gb 2-port QSFP28 OCP3 Adapter for HPE
- Intel E810-2CQDA2 Ethernet 100Gb 2-port QSFP28 Adapter for HPE (Only DL110)
- Mellanox MCX623106AS-CDAT Ethernet 100Gb 2-port QSFP56 Adapter for HPE
- Broadcom BCM57608 Ethernet 100Gb 2-port QSFP112 Adapter for HPE
- Broadcom BCM57608 Ethernet 100Gb 2-port QSFP112 OCP3 Adapter for HPE

Please consult Server Platform QuickSpecs for details on supported SKUs and configurations.

Table 1			
SKU	P21112-B21 ³	P22767-B21 ³	P41611-B21
Description	Intel E810-CQDA2 Ethernet 100Gb 2-port QSFP28 Adapter for HPE	Intel E810-CQDA2 Ethernet 100Gb 2-port QSFP28 OCP3 Adapter for HPE	Intel E810-2CQDA2 Ethernet 100Gb 2-port QSFP28 Adapter for HPE
Card Type/Profile	Stand up	OCP 3.0	Stand up
ASIC/Chip	Intel® Ethernet Controller E810-CAM2	Intel® Ethernet Controller E810-CAM2	Intel® Ethernet Controller E810-CAM1
PCIe Version	PCIe 4.0 x16	PCIe 4.0 x16	PCIe 4.0 x16 ²
Power Requirement	Typical: 16.9 W Maximum: 19.2 W	Typical: 15.9 W Maximum: 18.9 W	Typical: 21.8 W Maximum: 29.6 W
UEFI PXE Boot	Yes	Yes	Yes
Legacy BIOS PXE Boot	Yes	Yes	Yes

Overview

Wake-on-LAN (WOL)		Yes	
Internet Protocol (IP) IPv4, IPv6	Yes	Yes	Yes
Auto Negotiation⁴	Yes	Yes	Yes
iSCSI Remote Boot	iSCSI boot supported (UEFI), iSCSI acceleration only supported with TCP acceleration	iSCSI boot supported (UEFI), iSCSI acceleration only supported with TCP acceleration	iSCSI boot supported (UEFI), iSCSI acceleration only supported with TCP acceleration
Tunnel Offload	VXLAN, GENEVE, and NVGRE	VXLAN, GENEVE, and NVGRE	VXLAN, GENEVE, and NVGRE
RDMA¹	(iWARP & RoCEv2)	iWARP & RoCEv2	iWARP & RoCEv2
Receive Side Scaling (RSS)	Yes	Yes	Yes
VMware NetQueue and Microsoft Virtual Machine Queue (VMQ)	Yes	Yes	Yes
NPAR			
Single Root I/O Virtualization (SR-IOV)	256VFs/port, 2k Total	256VFs/port, 2k Total	256VFs/port, 2k Total
Data Plane Development Kit (DPDK)	Yes	Yes	Yes
Root of Trust	Hardware	Hardware	Hardware
SPDM support	No	No	No
Authenticated Updates	Yes	Yes	Yes
Secure Boot	Yes	Yes	Yes
Audit Log			
Sanitization	Yes	Yes	Yes

Notes:

- ¹HPE recommends using identical network adapters on both ends of the RoCE connection to avoid interoperability issues
- ²Bifurcated into two x8 PCIe links; iLO 5 2.55 and ROM 1.40 are needed for bifurcation
- ³Maximum total throughput of 100Gb per adapter (across all ports)
- ⁴ Intel Ethernet Adapters support mixing different port speeds on different ports of the same card.

Overview

Table 2

SKU	P25960-B21 ³	P73111-B21	P73114-B21
Description	Mellanox MCX623106AS-CDAT Ethernet 100Gb 2-port QSFP56 Adapter for HPE ³	Broadcom BCM57608 Ethernet 100Gb 2-port QSFP112 Adapter for HPE	Broadcom BCM57608 Ethernet 100Gb 2-port QSFP112 OCP3 Adapter for HPE
Card Type/Profile	Stand up	Stand up	OCP 3.0
ASIC/Chip	Mellanox MCX623106AS-CDAT	Broadcom BCM 57608	Broadcom BCM 57608
PCIe Version	PCIe 4x16	PCIe 5.0 x16	PCIe 5.0 x16
Power Requirement	Typical: 13W Max: 18.4W	Max: 11W	Max: 11W
UEFI PXE Boot	Yes	Yes	Yes
Legacy BIOS PXE Boot	Yes	No (UEFI only)	No (UEFI only)
Wake-on-LAN (WOL)			No
Internet Protocol (IP) IPv4, IPv6	Yes	Yes	Yes
Auto Negotiation²	1/10/25/40/50/100 Gb ³	25/50/100 Gb	25/50/100 Gb
iSCSI Remote Boot	UEFI	UEFI	UEFI
Tunnel Offload	VXLAN, NVGRE, GENEVE	VXLAN, NVGRE, GENEVE	VXLAN, NVGRE, GENEVE
RDMA¹	RoCEv1, RoCEv2	RoCEv2	RoCEv2
Receive Side Scaling (RSS)	Yes	Yes	Yes
VMware NetQueue and Microsoft Virtual Machine Queue (VMQ)	Yes	Yes	Yes
NPAR		8 PFs per port (16 PFs per Board)	8 PFs per port (16 PFs per Board)
Single Root I/O Virtualization (SR-IOV)	512 total, variable per port	128 VFs	128 VFs
Data Plane Development Kit (DPDK)	Yes	Yes	Yes
Root of Trust	Hardware	Hardware	Hardware
SPDM Support	No	Yes	Yes
Authenticated Updates	Yes	Yes	Yes
Secure Boot	Yes	Yes	Yes
Audit Log	Yes	Yes	Yes
Sanitization		Yes	Yes

Notes:

- ¹ HPE recommends using identical network adapters on both ends of the RoCE connection to avoid interoperability issues.
- ² Mellanox and Broadcom 100G Ethernet Adapters support mixing different port speeds on different ports of the same card.
- ³ For all Mellanox/Nvidia based adapters, please check Nvidia's "Validated and Supported Cables and Switches" lists for DAC, AOC, SFP, QSFP devices and network switches officially supported by Nvidia for use with Mellanox/Nvidia based Ethernet Adapters for HPE.

Notes: Although HPE has tested & qualified all interconnects indicated in the HPE Compute Transceiver and Cable Compatibility Matrix document, Nvidia support is only guaranteed when using interconnects and switches in the NVIDIA "Validated and Supported Cables and Switches" list.

Standard Features

Audit Logs

Audit Logs are a forensics capability that provides traceability into authenticated firmware updates by capturing changes in standard system logs.

Authenticated Updates

Authenticated Updates brings cryptographic keys onto the NIC (for HW Authentication) to protect user and configuration data from unauthorized access and verify digitally signed firmware.

Auto-negotiation

Automatically senses the speed of the device to which it is attached. It also automatically configures for half or full duplex, depending on the duplex mode of the switch, hub, or router connected to the adapter.

DPDK

DPDK with benefit for packet processing acceleration and use in NFV deployments.

IPv6

IPv6 uses 128-bit addressing allowing for more devices and users on the internet. IPv4 supported 32-bit addressing.

iWARP RDMA

Delivers RDMA on top of the pervasive TCP/IP protocol. iWARP RDMA runs over standard network and transport layers and works with all Ethernet network infrastructure. TCP provides flow control and congestion management and does not require a lossless Ethernet network. iWARP is a highly routable and scalable RDMA implementation.

Network Partitioning (NPAR)

Network Partitioning (NPAR) allowing administrators to configure a 10 Gb port as four separate partitions or physical functions. Each PCI function is associated with a different virtual NIC. To the OS and the network, each physical function appears as a separate NIC port.

Optimized for Virtualization

I/O Virtualization support for VMware NetQueue and Microsoft VMQ helps meet the performance demands of consolidated virtual workloads.

Preboot eXecution Environment (PXE)

Support for PXE enables automatic deployment of computing resources remotely from anywhere. It allows a new or existing server to boot over the network and download software, including the operating system, from a management/ deployment server at another location on the network.

Additionally, PXE enables decentralized software distribution and remote troubleshooting and repairs.

Root of Trust

Root of Trust enables a chain of trust for Authenticating updates to firmware via signature validation. This blocks installation of rogue or corrupted firmware and ensures that the executing firmware is trusted.

Standard Features

RDMA

Remote Direct memory Access (RDMA) is an accelerated I/O delivery mechanism that allows data to be transferred directly from the user memory of the source server to the user memory of the destination server bypassing the operating system (OS) kernel. Because the RDMA data transfer is performed by the DMA engine on the adapter's network processor, the CPU is not used for the data movement, freeing it to perform other tasks such as hosting more virtual workloads (increased VM density). RDMA protocols include RoCEv1, RoCEv2 and iWARP. All of these protocols reduce overall latency to deliver accelerated performance for applications such as Microsoft Hyper-V Live Migration, Microsoft SQL and Microsoft SharePoint with SMB Direct.

Receive Side Scaling (RSS)

RSS resolves the single-processor bottleneck by allowing the receive side network load from a network adapter to be shared across multiple processors. RSS enables packet receive-processing to scale with the number of available processors.

Sanitization

Sanitization (Secure User Data Erase) renders User and configuration data on the NIC irretrievable so that NICs can be safely repurposed or disposed.

Secure Boot

Secure Boot safeguards the system and ensures no rogue drivers are being executed on start-up.

Single-Root I/O Virtualization

Single-Root I/O Virtualization (SR-IOV) provides a mechanism to bypass the host system hypervisor in virtual environments providing near metal performance and server efficiency. SR-IOV provides mechanism to create multiple Virtual Functions (VFs) to share single PCIe resources. The device is capable of SR-IOV, and requires Server BIOS support, controller firmware, and OS support.

TCP/UDP/IP

TCP/IP offloading techniques including: TCP/IP, UDP checksum offload (TCO) moves the TCP and IP checksum offloading from the CPU to the network adapter. Large send offload (LSO) or TCP segmentation offload (TSO) allows the TCP segmentation to be handled by the adapter rather than the CPU

Tunnel Offload

Minimize the impact of overlay networking on host performance with tunnel offload support for VXLAN, NVGRE and GENEVE. By offloading packet processing to adapters, customers can use overlay networking to increase VM migration flexibility and virtualized overlay networks with minimal impact to performance. HPE Tunnel Offloading increases I/O throughput, reduces CPU utilization, and lowers power consumption. Tunnel Offload supports VMware's VXLAN, Microsoft's NVGRE solutions and Generic Network Virtualization Encapsulation (GENEVE) solutions.

Standard Features

VMware NetQueue and Microsoft Virtual Machine Queue (VMQ)

VMware NetQueue is technology that significantly improves performance of 10 Gigabit Ethernet network adapters in virtualized environments. Windows Hyper-V VMQ (VMQ) is a feature available on servers running Windows Server 2008 R2 with VMQ-enabled Ethernet adapters. VMQ uses hardware packet filtering to deliver packet data from an external virtual machine network directly to virtual machines, which reduces the overhead of routing packets and copying them from the management operating system to the virtual machine.

Wake-on-LAN

Wake-on-LAN (WoL) support through the PCI Express bus. A system that supports Wake-on-LAN can remain available to the systems administrator during its normal downtime. Once the machine is awakened, the systems administrator can remotely control, audit, debug, or manage the machine.

Service and Support

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Service and Support

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Operating System and Virtualization Support

The Operating Systems supported by this adapter are based on the server OS support. Please refer to the OS Support Matrix at <https://www.hpe.com/us/en/servers/server-operating-systems.html>.

Drivers and Software Download (Please use hyperlinks below):

- [Intel E810-CQDA2 Ethernet 100Gb 2-port QSFP28 Adapter for HPE](#)
- [Intel E810-CQDA2 Ethernet 100Gb 2-port QSFP28 OCP3 Adapter for HPE](#)
- [Intel E810-2CQDA2 Ethernet 100Gb 2-port QSFP28 Adapter for HPE](#)
- [Mellanox MCX623106AS-CDAT Ethernet 100Gb 2-port QSFP56 Adapter for HPE](#)
- [Broadcom BCM57608 Ethernet 100Gb 2-port QSFP112 Adapter for HPE](#)
- [Broadcom BCM57608 Ethernet 100Gb 2-port QSFP112 OCP3 Adapter for HPE](#)

To access Vendor Technical Specifications, please visit the following hyperlinks:

- [Intel E810-CQDA2 Ethernet 100Gb 2-port QSFP28 Adapter for HPE](#)
- [Intel E810-CQDA2 Ethernet 100Gb 2-port QSFP28 OCP3 Adapter for HPE](#)
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Transceiver and Cable Options

Please refer to Compute Transceiver and Cable Compatibility Matrix: <https://psnow.ext.hpe.com/doc/a00002507enw>

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Summary of Changes

Date	Version History	Action	Description of Change
15-Dec-2025	Version 9	Changed	Standard Features section was updated.
03-Mar-2025	Version 8	Changed	Updated to remove Obsolete SKUs, and include new Broadcom 100G NICs
04-Dec-2023	Version 7	Changed	Service and Support Section was updated
15-Nov-2021	Version 6	Changed	Service and Support Section was updated
17-Aug-2020	Version 5	Changed	SKUs Descriptions were updated
03-Feb-2020	Version 4	Changed	Platform Information Section was updated
02-Dec-2019	Version 3	Changed	Standard Features Section was updated
10-Jun-2019	Version 2	Changed	Removed Extended and modified bandwidth
04-Jun-2018	Version 1	New	New QuickSpecs

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