



Option 2: Alternative Hypervisor Migration

Organizations **evaluate alternative hypervisor technologies** (ex. Nutanix AHV, Microsoft Hyper-V, Proxmox, etc.), plan a migration roadmap, and **systematically move workloads to the new platform**. This often begins with less critical workloads and progressively moves to more mission-critical applications as confidence builds.

Pros



- Eliminates or significantly reduces VMware licensing costs
- Modern alternative platforms offer competitive or superior features
- Opportunity to modernize infrastructure and management tools
- Regain control over licensing and vendor relationships

Cons



- Significant technical effort and project management required
- Risk of migration-related downtime or application compatibility issues
- May require investment in new management and monitoring tools
- Feature gaps may exist depending on chosen alternative platform

Best For

Organizations with **strong internal technical teams**, relatively standardized workloads, and the time and resources available to execute a planned migration. This approach works especially well when **infrastructure refresh cycles align with the migration timeline**.

