



Intel® Solid-State Drive 320 Series

Enterprise Server/Storage Application

Product Specification Addendum

- Form Factors: 1.8-inch and 2.5-inch
- Capacity:
 - 80/160/300 GB (1.8-inch)
 - 40/80/120/160/300/600 GB (2.5-inch)
- Components: Intel® 25nm NAND Flash Memory Multi-Level Cell (MLC)
- Read and Write IOPS¹ (Iometer* Queue Depth 32)
 - Random 4 KB² reads: Up to 39,500 IOPS
 - Random 4 KB writes (100% LBA range): Up to 600 IOPS
- Bandwidth Performance¹
 - Sustained sequential read: Up to 270 MB/s
 - Sustained sequential write: Up to 220 MB/s
- Latency (average sequential)
 - Read: 75 µs (TYP)
 - Write: 90 µs (TYP)
- AES 128-bit Encryption
- Compatibility
 - Intel® SSD Toolbox with Intel® SSD Optimizer
 - Intel® Data Migration Software
 - Intel® Rapid Storage Technology
 - Intel® 6 Series Express Chipsets (with SATA 6Gb/s)
 - SATA Revision 2.6
 - ATA8-ACS; includes SCT (Smart Command Transport) support
 - SSD-enhanced S.M.A.R.T. ATA feature set
 - Native Command Queuing (NCQ) command set
 - Data Set Management Command Trim attribute
- Power Management
 - 3.3 V (1.8-inch form factor) or 5 V (2.5-inch form factor) SATA Supply Rail
 - SATA Interface Power Management
 - OS-aware hot plug/removal
 - Enhanced power-loss data protection
- Power³
 - Active: Up to 4 W (TYP)
 - Idle: 700 mW (non-DIPM)
- Temperature
 - Operating: 0° C to 70° C
 - Non-Operating: -55° C to 95° C
- Reliability
 - Uncorrectable Bit Error Rate (UBER): 1 sector per 10¹⁶ bits read
 - Mean Time Between Failures (MTBF): 1,200,000 hours
 - Lifetime Endurance⁴: Up to 60 TB
- Shock (operating and non-operating): 1,500 G/0.5 msec
- Vibration
 - Operating: 2.17 G_{RMS} (5-700 Hz)
 - Non-operating: 3.13 G_{RMS} (5-800 Hz)
- Weight
 - 1.8-inch form factor: up to 49 grams
 - 2.5-inch 7mm form factor: up to 82 grams
 - 2.5-inch 9.5mm form factor: up to 88 grams
- Certifications and Declarations
 - UL*
 - CE*
 - C-Tick*
 - BSMI*
 - KCC*
 - Microsoft* WHQL
 - VCCI*
 - SATA-IO*
- Product Ecological Compliance
 - RoHS*

1. Performance values vary by capacity.

2. 4 KB = 4,096 bytes.

3. Workload equates to Iometer running 64 KB (65,536 bytes) sequential writes with a Queue Depth of 32.

4. Based on 4 KB (4,096 bytes) of full random writes with Queue Depth of 32; values vary by capacity.



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1.0 Overview

This document describes the random IOPS, typical power consumption, and endurance specifications of the Intel® Solid-State Drive 320 Series (Intel® SSD 320 Series) targeted for server and storage applications in an enterprise environment.

For complete specifications and product description, see the *Intel® Solid-State Drive 320 Series Product Specification*.

2.0 Product Specifications

2.1 Performance

Table 1 details the random read/write performance of the Intel SSD 320 Series in Input/Output Operations Per Second (IOPS) using two different methods. The first method measures IOPS across a 100% LBA range of the drive to align with enterprise-based requirements. The second method measures IOPS across an 8GB LBA range of the drive for client-based requirements. In both cases, measurements are taken using 4 KB (4,096 bytes) transfer sizes running Iometer* with a queue depth of 32 with the SSD write-cache enabled.

Note: Random Write IOPS on a full LBA range of the drive varies with over-provisioning.

Table 1. Random Read and Write Input/Output Operations Per Second (IOPS)

| Performance | Unit | Intel SSD 320 Series | | | | | |
|-------------------------------------|------|----------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| | | 40 GB | 80 GB | 120 GB | 160 GB | 300 GB | 600 GB |
| Random Read (up to) | IOPS | 30,000 | 38,000 | 38,000 | 39,000 | 39,500 | 39,500 |
| Random Write (up to) (100% Span) | IOPS | 300 | 300 | 400 | 600 | 400 | 150 |
| Random Write (up to) (8GB Span) | IOPS | 3,700 | 10,000 | 14,000 | 21,000 | 23,000 | 23,000 |

Table 2 details the sequential bandwidth performance of the Intel SSD 320 Series while using 64 KB (65,536 bytes) transfer size with a queue depth of 32.

Table 2. Sequential Read/Write Bandwidth

| Performance | Unit | Intel SSD 320 Series | | | | | |
|--------------------------|------|----------------------|-------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| | | 40 GB | 80 GB | 120 GB | 160 GB | 300 GB | 600 GB |
| Sequential Read (up to) | MB/s | 200 | 270 | 270 | 270 | 270 | 270 |
| Sequential Write (up to) | MB/s | 45 | 90 | 130 | 165 | 205 | 220 |



2.2 Power Consumption

This section details the power consumption of the Intel SSD 320 Series using a simulated enterprise workload.

The workload equates 64 KB (65,536 bytes) QD=32 sequential writes. Root Mean Squared (RMS) power is measured using scope trigger over a 100 ms sample period.

Table 3. Typical Power Consumption

| Intel SSD 320 Series | Mode | Typ Value | Unit |
|----------------------|--------|-----------|-------|
| 40 GB | Active | 2.0 | Watts |
| 80 GB | Active | 2.5 | Watts |
| 120 GB | Active | 3.0 | Watts |
| 160 GB | Active | 3.0 | Watts |
| 300 GB | Active | 3.5 | Watts |
| 600 GB | Active | 4.0 | Watts |

2.3 Reliability

This section details the write endurance of the Intel SSD 320 Series in an enterprise environment. Write endurance is measured while running 100% random 4 KB (4,096 bytes) writes spanning 100% of the drive using Iometer.

Table 4. Write Endurance Specifications

| Intel SSD 320 Series | Value (Terabytes) |
|----------------------|-------------------|
| 40 GB | 5 |
| 80 GB | 10 |
| 120 GB | 15 |
| 160 GB | 15 |
| 300 GB | 30 |
| 600 GB | 60 |



3.0 SMART Attributes

Table 5 summarizes the SMART attributes supported by the Intel SSD 320 Series in an enterprise environment to measure media wear during a timed workload.

Table 5. Supported SMART Attributes

| ID | Attribute | Status Flag | | | | | | Threshold |
|-----|--------------------------------------|-------------|----|----|----|----|----|-----------|
| | | PW | OC | PE | ER | EC | SP | |
| E2h | Timed Workload Media Wear Indicator | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 (none) |
| E3h | Timed Workload Host Read/Write Ratio | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 (none) |
| E4h | Workload Timer | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 (none) |

Status flags key:

| Flag | Description | Value = 0 | Value = 1 |
|------|-----------------------------|--|---|
| PW | Pre-fail warranty attribute | Advisory | Pre-fail |
| OC | Online collection attribute | Collected only during offline activity | Collected during both offline and online activity |
| PE | Performance attribute | Not a performance attribute | Performance attribute |
| ER | Error rate attribute | Not an error rate attribute | Error rate attribute |
| EC | Event count attribute | Not an event count attribute | Event count attribute |
| SP | Self-preserving attribute | Not a self-preserving attribute | Self-preserving attribute |

3.1 Timed Workload Media Wear Indicator — ID E2h

This attribute tracks the drive wear seen by the device during the last wear timer loop, as a percentage of the maximum rated cycles. The raw value tracks the percentage up to 3 decimal points. This value should be divided by 1024 to get the percentage. For example: if the raw value is 4450, the percentage is $4450/1024 = 4.345\%$. The raw value is held at FFFFh until the wear timer (attribute E4h) reaches 60 (minutes). The normalized value is always set to 100 and should be ignored.

3.2 Timed Workload Host Reads Percentage — ID E3h

This attribute shows the percentage of I/O operations that are read operations during the last workload timer loop. The raw value tracks this percentage and is held at FFFFh until the workload timer (attribute E4h) reaches 60 (minutes). The normalized value is always set to 100 and should be ignored.

3.3 Workload Timer — ID E4h

This attribute is used to measure the time elapsed during the current workload. The attribute is reset when a SMART EXECUTE OFFLINE IMMEDIATE (D4h) subcommand 40h is issued to the drive. The raw value tracks the time in minutes and has a maximum value of $232 = 4,294,967,296$ minutes (8,171 years). The normalized value is always set to 100 and should be ignored.



3.4 Example Use Cases

The attributes described in this document are intended to be used to measure the amount of media wear that the drive is subjected to during a timed workload.

Ideally, the system that the drive is being used in should be capable of issuing S.M.A.R.T. commands. Otherwise, provisions have been provided to allow the media wear attributes to be persistent so the drive can be moved to a S.M.A.R.T.-capable system to read out the drive wear attribute values.

3.4.1 Use Case 1 – With a System Capable of S.M.A.R.T. Commands

1. Make sure DIPM (Device Initiated Power Management) is disabled to ensure data collected is accurate.
2. Issue the S.M.A.R.T. EXECUTE OFF-LINE IMMEDIATE (D4h) sub-command 40h to reset the drive wear attributes.
3. Run the workload to be evaluated for at least 60 minutes (otherwise the drive wear attributes will not be available).
4. Read out the drive wear attributes with the S.M.A.R.T. READ DATA (D0h) command.

3.4.2 Use Case 2 – With a System Not Capable of S.M.A.R.T. Commands

1. Make sure DIPM is disabled to ensure data collected is accurate.
2. On a S.M.A.R.T. capable system, issue the S.M.A.R.T. EXECUTE OFF-LINE IMMEDIATE (D4h) sub-command 40h to reset the E4h (workload timer) attribute.
3. Move the drive to the system where the workload will be measured (and not capable of S.M.A.R.T. commands).
4. Run the workload to be evaluated for at least 60 minutes (otherwise the drive wear attributes will not be available).
5. Do a clean system power down by issuing the ATA STANDBY IMMEDIATE command prior to shutting down the system. This will store all the drive wear S.M.A.R.T. attributes to persistent memory within the drive.
6. Move the drive to a S.M.A.R.T.-capable system.
7. Read out the drive wear attributes with the S.M.A.R.T. READ DATA (D0h) command within 60 minutes after power-up.



3.5 Example Calculation of Drive Wear

The following is an example of how the drive wear attributes can be used to evaluate the impact of a given workload. The Host Writes S.M.A.R.T. attribute (E1h) can also be used to calculate the amount of data written by the host during the workload by reading this attribute before and after running the workload. This example assumes that the steps shown in [Section 3.4](#) were followed to obtain the following attribute values:

- Timed Workload Media Wear (E2h) has a raw value of 16. Therefore, the percentage wear = $16/1024 = 0.016\%$.
- Timed Workload Host Read/Write Ratio (E3h) has a normalized value of 80, indicating that 80% of operations were reads.
- Workload Timer (E4h) has a raw value of 500. Therefore the workload ran for 500 minutes.
- Host Writes Count (E1h) had a raw value of 100,000 prior to running the workload and a value of 130,000 at the end of the workload. Therefore the number of sectors written by the host during the workload was $30,000 * 65,535 = 1,966,050,000$ sectors or $1,966,050,000 * 512/1,000,000,000 = 1,007$ GB.

The following conclusions can be made for this example:

- The workload took 500 minutes to complete with 80% reads and 20% writes.
- A total of 1,007 GB of data was written to the device, which increased the media wear in the drive by 0.016%.
- At this point in time, this workload is causing a wear rate of 0.016% for every 500 minutes, or 0.00192%/hour.



4.0 Additional Product Information

For more information on the Intel SSD 320 Series, see the documentation listed in Table 6.

Table 6. Standards References

| Title | Order Number |
|---|--------------|
| Intel® Solid-State Drive 320 Series Product Specification | 325152 |

5.0 Terms and Acronyms

Table 7 defines the terms and acronyms used in this document.

Table 7. Glossary of Terms and Acronyms

| Term | Definition |
|------|---|
| ATA | Advanced Technology Attachment |
| DIPM | Device Initiated Power Management |
| GB | Gigabyte Note: The total usable capacity of the SSD may be less than the total physical capacity because a small portion of the capacity is used for NAND flash management and maintenance purposes. |
| KB | Kilobyte |
| LBA | Logical Block Address |
| IOPS | Input/Output Operations Per Second |
| SATA | Serial Advanced Technology Attachment |
| SSD | Solid-State Drive |
| TB | Terabyte |

6.0 Revision History

| Date | Revision | Description |
|------------|----------|---|
| April 2011 | 002 | Added "100% LBA range" to Random 4 KB writes on cover page. |
| March 2011 | 001 | Initial release. |