

# How much time does it take to erase a Windows Phone?

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The erasure time depends on the size of the erased storage and number of overwriting rounds. The erasure times are longer if several devices are erased simultaneously using the same USB bus.

Windows Phone with 16GB storage and 1 pass overwriting is typically erased in 20-40 minutes.

Windows Phone with 32GB storage and 1 pass overwriting is typically erased in 30-90 minutes.