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In addition to what Russ said, I'm guessing that you may be having some logs build up, and there are a couple more clues in the list below, marked with \*\*\* for your reading enjoyment!

Here are some additional space saving/making tips accumulated from this newsgroup.

NOTE: When moving folders, especially your Exchange data base, to revisit the exclusions in your Anti Virus program. It is "critical" that these not be scanned by your real time scanner.

Moving Data Folders for Windows Small Business Server 2003

<http://www.microsoft.com/technet/prodtechnol/sbs/2003/maintain/movedata.mspx>

How to move Exchange databases and logs in Exchange Server 2003

<<http://support.microsoft.com/kb/821915>>

How to Move Small Business Server 2000 Company and Users Shared Folders

<<http://support.microsoft.com/default.aspx?scid=kb:en-us:329640>>

How to Move the Client Programs Folder to Another Location in Windows Small Business Server 2003

<<http://support.microsoft.com/?scid=kb:en-us:830254>>

How to Move the Windows Default Paging File and Print Spooler to a Different Hard Disk

<http://support.microsoft.com/default.aspx/kb/314105>

Remember that moving the default paging file will prevent Windows from creating a .dmp file for analysis should your system hit a critical error and "blue screen".

Also:

\*\*\*Look at where the ISA logs are kept if you have SBS Premium.

\*\*\*You can move the C:\windows\uninstall\$ folders off your systemroot, but you may want to keep them in case you have to move them back to uninstall

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something in the future. I have only ever had to do this once, and it was not an SBS.

\*\*\*Remove any folders or files under the c:\documents and settings\user name\local settings\temp folders.

\*\*\*If Monitoring is enabled it can create a file that could be large. Run through the wizard again to flush out the gooey stuff..

\*\*\*Delete logs older than "date of your choice" from the system32 folder. Likewise the logs and reports from the ISA folder.

\*\*\*Search for and delete old dmp files.

You can move the page file to another partition. The only downside is that if you get a "blue screen" you will not get a full memory dump, and since only MS can read them anyway, I don't see that it matters much.

You may gain some usable space and increase system performance in Windows Server 2003 by moving the printer spool files to a different drive than the one that holds the operating system. Note that this should be a different spindle, but a different partition will help the OS a bit also.

By default, Windows Server 2003 places the printer spool folder at %systemroot%\System32\Spool\Printers. However, you can potentially increase system performance by moving the printer spool files to a different drive than the one that holds the operating system.

Computers frequently access system files, so moving the printer files to a different location allows faster access to those files. The drive won't have to try to service requests simultaneously.

To change the location for the printer spooler files, follow these steps:

1. Go to Start | Printers And Faxes.
2. From the File menu, select Server Properties.
3. On the Advanced tab, enter the location where you would like to spool print jobs. If the location doesn't exist, this process will create it for you. Make sure the new location has sufficient disk space to handle large print jobs.
4. Stop and restart the printer spooler service, or reboot the server.

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"Dave" <please@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message  
news: KCdnVXuUOuJtULanZ2dnUVZ\_hadnZ2d@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx

My "C" drive is slowly running out of space. When I installed SBS 2 years ago I created 2 RAID arrays; a RAID 1 with 2 36GB drives and I put the OS on that array (25 GB, drive C) as well as drive E (10GB for my pagefile and logs). Other than the OS I put a few other programs on drive C totaling about 7 GB, but for the most part I put everything else (most applications, Exchange logs, user folders and SQL/Exchange) on another array (RAID 5).

Windows is showing that Drive C only has 5.2GB free and I am losing about 200MB of space a week, or close to 1GB a month, at least going back to my November performance report logs.

Is there an easy way to find out what is eating up the 200MB a week? Is there an SBS utility to see which files/folders are taking up the most space? Any likely culprits?

Thanks!

– Dave