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As a rule of thumb, I dont like the "buy a terminal server to avoid upgrading PC" approach.

Yes, you can save some money, but you still have your old PC.

You'll get the perfomance gain only for applications running on the server, and there are applications you are not going to run there, like:

- applications which "move away" with your notebook
- applications with specific hardware requirement (hardware key, high end graphic cards)
- application to interface hardware (palmtops, cameras, scanners)
- that new application you are testing / evaluating

I also dont think you would use a terminal client to browse the internet or check you email.

Last but not least, why did you need to upgrade to XP Pro?

Despite I would suggest you to do it and migrate to a small domain, it seems not a requirement.

If it already works with Home Edition, just add some RAM and /or replace the oldest PCs.

Kind regards,
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"Mike" <darshakusa@xxxxxxxx> wrote in message
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Hello everyone:

we are a small company with 15 users/ desktops – one p3 and rest p4 2.2

- all with 256 mb ram and 40/80 gb hdd – single location – on a workgroup with one xp pro and rest xp home machines. v were ok till we upgrade our accounting software to peachtree quantum 2007 which is our main application which has runtime sql server database. new peachtree slows down our system to a good extent but still works :)
- we have been adviced to go for new server with 4 gb ram and raid 5 with

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3 hard disk – install windows 2003 and terminal server – so that v just

have to buy terminal server licenses for users and not to invest in upgrading from xp home to pro and 256 mb ram to 512 or a gig on all pc.

our main concern is we need to know the experience of someone with similar setup and also how much difference it will make in speed and maintenance? are there any technical issues?

we thank you in advance for your feedback.

Mike.