

## ArcGIS Server Image Extension / Image Server Product Life Cycle Support Status

The Product Life Cycle Support Policy is designed to help communicate to ESRI users the technical support resources available during a product's life span and to provide advanced notification of planned changes to available support options. Read more about this in our [Product Life Cycle Support Policy](#).

Image Services were added as a core capability to ArcGIS Server at V9.3. Image Services enabled ArcGIS Server to serve images and rasters as web services (using HTTP). Each raster is served as a separate image service. The PLC support status of image services is the same as that of ArcGIS Server.

This page refers to the Image Extension and stand alone Image Server technology. There are three different versions of this product which extend ArcGIS Server, as described below in the notes column of the table.

### Notes:

- The ArcGIS Server extensions carry the same Product Life Cycle as the main ArcGIS Desktop product.
- All service packs, patches, and hot fixes available for a particular version have the same support status as the version they address.
- Dates listed in a support column provide the date on which the product entered that support level.

| Version | Release Date | General Availability | Extended Support | Mature Support | Retired | Notes  |
|---------|--------------|----------------------|------------------|----------------|---------|--|
| 10      | June 2010    | X                    |                  |                |         | <b>Image Extension using Mosaic Datasets:</b> Image Extension is a fully integrated version of the Mosaic Dataset technology within ArcGIS; the Image Extension allows ArcGIS Server to serve large collections of imagery defined by a Mosaic Dataset. It has replaced versions of the technology using ISDefs. The Image Extension product does not require a separate install, but does require a separate license.   |
| 9.3.1   | April 2009   |                      | X                |                |         | Same as 9.3  |
| 9.3     | June 2008    |                      | X                |                |         | <b>Image Extension using ISDef:</b> ISDef was originally available at V9.3, and although ESRI encourages use of the newer Mosaic Dataset technology, ISDefs are still supported in V10.0, and the tools to create ISDefs are available (by request only) to existing 9.3.1 users now using V10. ISDefs will not be available after V10.0.<br><br>This provides the same functionality as the original stand alone image server technology, where Image Service Definitions (ISDef files) were created using the ISDef Editor. The ISDef Editor was available as an extension to ArcGIS Server (requiring ArcGIS Server on the same machine) and enabled ArcGIS Server Manager to publish image services. This product required a separate install and license. |
| 9.2     | Nov 2006     |                      |                  | X              |         | <b>Stand Alone:</b> The original application has a separate Image Service Definition Editor Tool in ArcMap and a standalone Image Server that served imagery to client applications using the RPC protocol and had its own Image Server Manager and Image Service Provider. This product required a separate install and license.  |