

WANT UP-TO-THE-MINUTE INTELLIGENCE ON YOUR RACKS AND CABINETS? BUILD-A-CAB MAKES IT EASY. For technology-driven organizations of all sizes, keeping track of the hardware deployed within racks and cabinets can pose a significant challenge. From the data center to the IT closet, infrastructure is constantly being installed, patched, moved, and upgraded. That can create management headaches, operational inefficiencies, and unnecessary costs for IT leaders and administrators alike.

That's why WEI created Build-A-Cab (BAC), a comprehensive solution that allows administrators to easily track, update, audit, and report on the contents and physical locations of the cabinets and racks deployed throughout their organization. Designed specifically for inventory management, change management, and IT best practices, BAC allows organizations to build virtual representations of their cabinet and rack contents in seconds, and easily keep up with changes as they happen.

INVENTORY MANAGEMENT – SIMPLIFIED

Build-A-Cab makes overseeing assets easy by offering the ability to add, monitor, and audit all cabinet and rack contents, as well as rack positions and detailed asset information. This not only keeps an accurate inventory, but allows IT to monitor the locations and analyze the utilization rates of various components in service across the enterprise.

This comprehensive inventory management solution also offers the ability to print unique inventory labels to tag and track every asset that's deployed. By using an intuitive drag and drop system combined with a QR code reader for quick asset tag scans, administrators can access a real-time visual readout on the physical makeup of their data center for unprecedented intelligence on hardware they have deployed.

Need to know what storage systems are at their end of support life? Which servers need upgrades or are eligible to be retired, consolidated or replaced? What routers are no longer being supported or patched? Would you like to pinpoint the exact location of a specific piece of hardware? The cloud-accessible reporting interface of BAC provides the solution. BAC features a data center information management tool that empowers administrators with customizable views of their environment from the top-down, offering a global perspective or detailed device-level reports.

If your data center contents keep you guessing, Build-A-Cab can help you regain control of your inventory—and your IT spending.

FEATURES INCLUDE:

Works Anywhere – BAC's cloud-enabled system works online or off, ensuring that your data can be collected whenever the need arises, in any data center location, under any circumstance. Once the BAC collection tools are online, data is synced to and stored safely in the cloud, where it can be accessed anytime and anywhere—without being present in the physical data center.

Multiperspective Views – BAC provides many ways to visualize your data center: a global view, room view, cabinet view and device view—each with customizable attributes. It offers an aggregate view of all assets and device details including capacity utilization, asset location, hardware, software, warranty/support, and network address specifics.

Expanded Capabilities – When combined with WEI's SmartIT Tag Integration Services, organizations can deploy a robust, global inventory system that makes it fast and easy to keep up with the assets they've deployed.

Easy Drag and Drop Interface – Users can build a fully populated data center view to create and audit rack contents via its convenient interface. Simply drag and drop devices, tap to select a device type, enter device specific information into the customizable attribute fields, and print out the asset tags for any devices that have been added, moved, or changed.

Enterprise Visibility – Administrators can easily view and update data center asset information and build detailed virtual representations of data center cabinets and equipment. With customizable attributes designed to accommodate all customer needs, IT can access real-time details on space availability and capacity utilization, without stepping foot in the data center.

Portable – No one wants to carry around a bulky machine, particularly when scanning QR codes in the data center. BAC's Data Collector allows administrators to map out data centers and cabinets quickly and easily—right from a tablet.

Front and Rear Cabinet Details, Zero U Information – Today's cabinets are denser than ever, and all available space is often used. BAC allows administrators to design and build a virtual cabinet view with both front and rear access, as well as zero rack unit items such as PDUs and infrastructure components.

Desktop Back-Office Access – BAC provides access to all collected attributes and details so administrators can make the best decisions regarding data center layouts. All that's required is a username and password for easy access to BAC's cloud-based admin panel.

History and Reporting – With BAC, inventory reports are instantly accessible along with the ability to review the complete history of all operations per-rack, providing point-in-time visibility into constantly changing hardware environments.

Affordable (and free!) Pricing – BAC is available with various pricing plans. These scale from a lite/free license covering three tiles/racks to large-scale, enterprise-wide instances.

WEI INVENTORY COLLECTION SERVICES – SIMPLIFIED ASSET TRACKING FOR WEI CUSTOMERS

WEI's SmartIT Tag customers can take advantage of WEI's data collection and asset tagging services for existing data centers and components, each of which become instantly accessible from the BAC interface. An integrated feature set provides several additional benefits for WEI customers including access to instant asset information via a quick scan. Each component is identified with data matrix asset tags and can be tracked on a per-user basis with create, add, and delete capabilities. For example, administrators can view when a cabinet was added or changed, record any changes made to individual devices, track modifications made during audits, or create an asset data warehouse.

This allows IT the ability to monitor and manage the data center and report valuable information on the state of the data center directly back to the business. It helps identify opportunities to consolidate, offers insight into warranty and service contract expirations, and provides a roadmap of hardware refresh opportunities. It also allows for easy collection of data for integration into other systems and utilities. With all the data centrally held within the application database, the possibilities for analysis are virtually endless.

ABOUT WEI

WEI is an innovative, full service, customer centric IT solutions provider.

Why WEI? Because we care. Because we go further.

At WEI, we're passionate about solving your technology problems and helping you drive your desired business outcomes. We believe in challenging the status quo and thinking differently. There are a lot of companies that can take today's technology and create a great IT solution for you. But we do more. We go further. And we have the customer, vendor and industry awards to prove it. WEI is a premier technology partner, who always puts our customers first while providing the most innovative solutions for over 25 years.



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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS ABOUT BUILD-A-CAB:

How can I try Build-A-Cab?

Just ask us! WEI is the sole provider of this unique application. To get you started, provide us with your company branded email (we do not accept generic accounts such as Gmail, Yahoo, MSN, Outlook or Hotmail) and we will send you a Test Flight access key that lets you install the BAC app. From there, you can see how easy it is to start data mining your own data centers and cabinets.

Where is my data?

Any data generated during your testing period is actively saved in the cloud. All information is kept private and remains accessible online. Note that when using the free version, data is archived on a shared cloud server. For premium/paid users, data is hosted on a dedicated server that can be located on or off premises. Either way, your confidential information is safe with WEI.

Is there a trial period?

No. With a free account version, you will have ongoing but limited access (up to 3 tiles/rack), forever. You will only be charged if you decide to upgrade from the lite license to a full BAC license. Once you have realized how simple managing the data center can be with the limited version of the tool, we are sure you will see the value offered by the paid version.

How secure is my data?

The data you load from the BAC data collector is completely safe. You need an authorized account to log into the platform, and all information is retained on a secure server created exclusively for you and your company.

How do I get all of my equipment data into the BAC software tool? We can do this for you, or you can populate it yourself—and we can show you how.







