Rapid Ascent of Linux

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- **[You should really get an Android or iPhone, says Microsoft: No more app updates for Windows Phone 8.x holdouts](#)**[4]

    Another milestone was reached today in the long, drawn-out death of Windows Phone: Microsoft has stopped distributing app updates to the dozen or so Windows Phone 8.x devices not already consigned to the recyclers.

    To be fair, mainstream support for Windows Phone 8.1 was switched off almost two years ago, on 11 July 2017, and Microsoft really cannot be bothered to let developers who are still supporting apps on the platform use its store to distribute updates.

    The company had already axed the ability for developers to submit new apps for the doomed platform at the end of October last year. Today brings the Windows 8.x saga to an end ? with developers no longer able to shovel out updates ... to say there'll be no more updates.

- **[Microsoft Says Linux Surpassed Windows on Azure](#)** [5] **[Ed: Microsoft boosters such as Bogdan Popa keep pushing that "Microsoft loves Linux" lie because they know that this lie is actually useful to Microsoft and contributes to brand dilution]**

?Microsoft loves Linux? is something that we hear every once in a while, especially from Microsofties who try to get the software giant more involved into this world that they once hated.

- **Linux is now beating Windows on Microsoft?s own turf, and Azure is better for it**[6]

  A Linux kernel developer working with Microsoft has let slip that Linux-based operating systems have a larger presence on Microsoft?s Azure cloud platform than Windows-based ones. The revelation appeared on an Openwall open-source security list in an application for Microsoft developers to join the list, and was apparently part of an evidently credible argument that Microsoft plays an active-enough role in Linux development to merit including the company in security groups.

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