

# LabVIEW™ Installation Guide

## Before You Begin

**Are you upgrading from a previous version of LabVIEW?** Refer to the *LabVIEW Upgrade Notes* for information about protecting existing VIs and projects before installing a new version of LabVIEW.

### 1 Install LabVIEW Development System



- Insert the LabVIEW installation media and double-click the LabVIEW installer.
- Follow the onscreen instructions to install LabVIEW, NI-488.2 drivers, and NI-VISA drivers. To omit some of these files, click **Customize** on the **Installation Type** page.

### 2 Install LabVIEW Modules and Toolkits



- Verify that the add-on is compatible with this version of LabVIEW at [ni.com/info](http://ni.com/info) ⇨ [compat](http://ni.com/compat).
- Insert the installation media for the add-on and double-click the installer.

### 3 Install NI Device Drivers



To use hardware with a new version of LabVIEW, you must install a new version of the driver for the device. Install new drivers from the following locations:

- NI-VISA and NI-488.2 devices—Included as part of the default LabVIEW installation
- NI-DAQmx Base—[ni.com/info](http://ni.com/info) ⇨ [daqbase](http://ni.com/daqbase)
- Other newly purchased NI devices—Installation media packaged with the device
- Other NI devices that you already own—[ni.com/drivers](http://ni.com/drivers)

### 4 Install Hardware



Refer to your device documentation, such as printed manuals or PDFs, for information about installing your NI hardware.

## Problems Installing LabVIEW?

For answers to common questions about installing LabVIEW and NI device drivers, refer to the *LabVIEW Installation Troubleshooting Guide* ([troubleshooting\\_guide.html](http://troubleshooting_guide.html)) on the LabVIEW installation media.

# LabVIEW 2013 System Requirements

The following system requirements apply to the LabVIEW Full and Professional Development Systems.

OS X	Run-Time Engine	Development Environment
Processor	Intel-based processor	Intel-based processor
RAM	1 GB	1 GB
Screen Resolution	1024 x 768 Pixels	1024 x 768 Pixels
Operating System	OS X 10.7 and 10.8	OS X 10.7 and 10.8
Disk Space	150 MB	1.2 GB for the complete installation (excluding drivers)
Temporary Files Directory	N/A	LabVIEW uses a directory for storing temporary files. National Instruments recommends that you have several megabytes of disk space available for this temporary directory.

## Additional System Requirements for LabVIEW Modules and Toolkits

LabVIEW modules and toolkits may have additional system requirements. To verify that your system meets the minimum requirements for the specific LabVIEW module or toolkit you want to install, refer to the readme file on the installation media for the module or toolkit.

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