

Email Archiving vs Email Backup

What does Email Archiving provide that Backup does not?

While backups are designed for the purpose of disaster recovery, email archiving can help to realize completely different objectives. The IT strategy of security-minded companies shouldn't fail to include both approaches.

Objective	Backup	Archiving
Reduction of email server load and simplification of backup and restore processes by outsourcing email	No	Yes
Elimination of mailbox quotas	No	Yes
Elimination of PST files	No	Yes
Reduction of storage requirements with de-duplication and compression	No	Yes
Complete archiving through journaling	No, for example, emails can be deleted immediately after being received and therefore before being backed up.	Yes
Tamper-proof archiving of emails	No	Yes
Full-text indexing of emails for fast searches	No	Yes
Simple and fast restoration of lost emails	No, backups must first be restored by IT technicians at great expense of effort.	Yes, users can restore emails using 'one-click restore' technology.
Help to meet compliance requirements	No	Yes