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Subject: System Load - version 2beta

Posted by [Mark Haller](#) on Tue, 26 Oct 2004 10:14:27 GMT

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Hi there,

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Subject: Re: System Load - version 2beta

Posted by [support](#) on Tue, 02 Nov 2004 09:24:32 GMT

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> How does the System Load relate to the CPU/mem usage of the  
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The system load is calculated from the system RAM usage. SpamAssassin or virus checkers use a lot of system RAM, and NoSpamToday! takes pains not to drive the server into saturation.

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While NoSpamToday! uses only 7.5MB, there still may be virus checkers or SpamAssassin instances around that use about 25MB each.

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