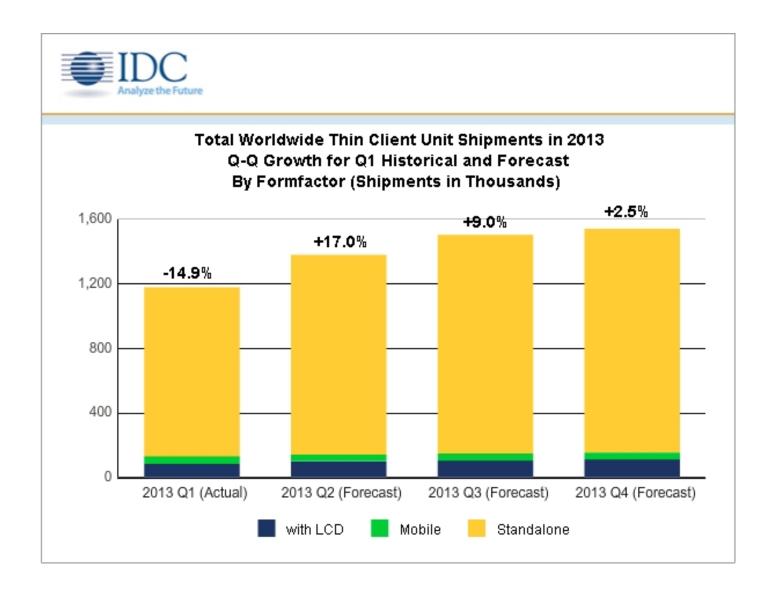
According to IDC Q1 2013 global thin client and terminal client device shipments total 1.2 million units with a -8.4% Y-o-Y decline-- but the analyst still predicts the market will recover during 2013.

IDC forecasts overall 2013 shipments to reach 5.6m units with 7% growth over 2012, before growing to 9.2m units by 2017.



"With increasing adoption of cloud and virtualisation, growth is expected in all form factors,

IDC: Thin Client Growth to Continue

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including mobile and with LCDs, although standalone will still dominate," the analyst says.

Thin clients make 96% of enterprise client devices, with the standalone form factor taking 89% share of the overall market. Thin clients with LCD also show growth in W. Europe.

Zero clients hold 24% of the thin client segment, while Linux-based thin clients make 25%.

When it comes to vendors HP leads with 28.2% WW market share. DellWyse follows with 24.7% share, while NComputing ranks 3rd (11.4% share) as top MEA vendor.

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