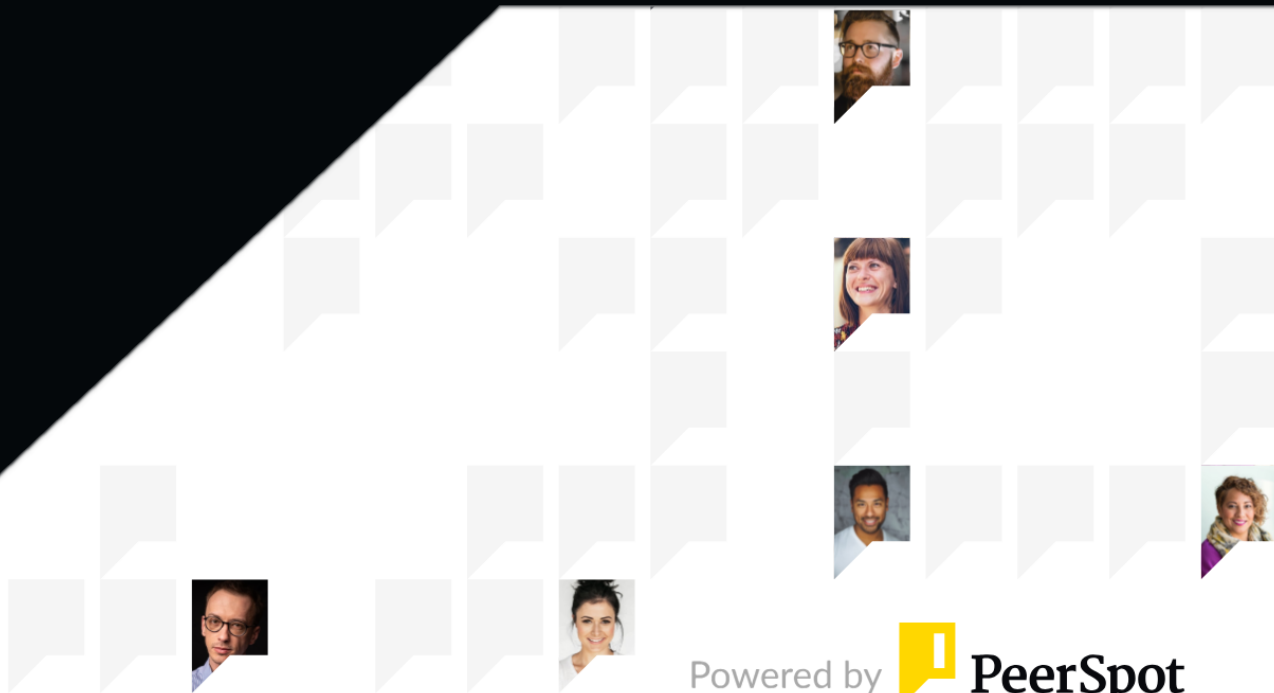




**Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall**

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# Product Recap



Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall

# Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall

## Recap

Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall offers robust network protection with features like URL filtering and advanced threat protection, ensuring comprehensive security and operational efficiency across various infrastructures.

Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall integrates URL filtering and advanced threat protection, including intrusion prevention and DDoS prevention. The centralized management console provides application awareness, strong network segmentation, and SD-WAN capabilities. Its graphical interface enhances user experience, while efficient technical support and seamless integration offer stability and scalability. Companies use it for perimeter security, VPNs, and threat prevention, optimizing performance in diverse sectors.

### **What are the key features of Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall?**

- **URL Filtering:** Provides robust protection against malicious sites.
- **Advanced Threat Protection:** Includes IPS and DDoS prevention.
- **Centralized Management:** Simplifies control across multiple devices.
- **Application Awareness:** Enhances security policies.
- **Network Segmentation:** Ensures strong internal security structures.
- **SD-WAN Capabilities:** Optimizes wide area network configurations.

### **What benefits should users expect when evaluating?**

- **Operational Efficiency:** Streamlined management with a centralized console.
- **Enhanced Security:** Comprehensive threat protection and VPN solutions.
- **Scalability:** Easily adapts to infrastructure growth.
- **Integration:** Seamlessly works with existing architectures.

Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall is widely implemented in sectors including finance, education, and government, offering security for data centers and managing remote access with IPsec VPN tunnels, SSL VPNs, and site-to-site connectivity. Companies appreciate its use for Unified Threat Management and automatic optimization, ensuring data security and efficient network performance.

# Valuable Features

Excerpts from real customer reviews on PeerSpot:



“Technical support from Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall is great.”



**Ajit Pratap Kundan**

Manager Solution Consulting at Accops Systems Pvt Ltd



“Overall, it is an excellent product, highly reliable, and among the top contenders; Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall is well known.”



**Verified user**

Cybersecurity Engineer at a tech consulting company with 51-200 employees



“Previously, it was very difficult to handle all traffic because multiple locations experienced downtime, firewalls went down, and internet connectivity issues occurred, but after Forcepoint SD-WAN solutions were deployed across different locations, all traffic goes through Wi-Fi solutions, which are directly connected to Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall, making it very easy, time-saving, and improving security.”



**Vikas Tiwari**

Senior Network Engineer at Anthology

- ✓ “Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall has impacted my organization positively by making it very easy to work and offering a more competitive price compared to other vendors.”



**Marcelo-Araujo**

Cyber Security Specialist at a comms service provider with 501-1,000 employees

- ✓ “Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall's IPS feature has four operational modes, including IPS, Layer 2 and Layer 3 Firewalls, and the IPS mode offers many controls, profiles, and signatures for inspecting traffic while allowing for applying firewall rules followed by IPS engine inspection so that many decisions including blocking and controlling traffic actions are possible.”



**Verified user**

System Engineer at a computer software company with 1,001-5,000 employees

- ✓ “Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall is quite affordable, cheaper than other brands like Palo Alto or Check Point, with a lot of capabilities, very stable, and very well-made, making it a really good product for its price when compared to other vendors.”



**Petr Pouzar**

IT Consultant at M-COM s.r.o



“Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall has positively impacted my organization by providing always-on perimeter security.”



**Verified user**

Responsable System and Security at a energy/utilities company with 501-1,000 employees

### What users had to say about valuable features:

“Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall provides excellent SD-WAN solutions that make it very easy to connect Wi-Fi solutions and any other interface solutions. Both on-premise solutions and hybrid solutions are available, and it can be easily integrated with different solutions.

“Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall has positively impacted the organization. Previously, it was very difficult to handle all traffic because multiple locations experienced downtime, firewalls went down, and internet connectivity issues occurred. There was a lease line option previously, which was very critical for connectivity. After Forcepoint SD-WAN solutions were deployed across different locations, all traffic goes through Wi-Fi solutions, which are directly connected to Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall. This is very easy, time-saving, and has improved security. Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall has many security solutions available. There is no doubt that it is a good firewall. All types of policies can be created, and all GFW features are available. All those security solutions can be utilized..”

**VikasTiwari**

Senior Network Engineer at Anthology

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“Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall offers excellent features including a centralized management console and log feature.

“I appreciate the centralized management console and the log feature because the logs are clear and easy to use, which helps my daily work.

“I would also add that the load balancing feature and the active-active functionality are notable aspects of Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall.

“Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall has positively impacted my organization by providing always-on perimeter security.

“Always-on functionality for my organization means it has reduced the downtime..”

**Verified user**

Responsible System and Security at a energy/utilities company with 501-1,000 employees

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“Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall offers an amazing graphical interface that is very easy to use, although sometimes slowness appears and it does not respond in real time. Overall, the graphical interface is amazing.

“The interface helps me in my daily tasks because it is easy to understand, although its response is slow. Sometimes Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall cannot process the traffic, and the graphical interface and CPU often show very high usage.

“I appreciate the user access details and graphics that the interface can report for me, and the feature that allows us to create rules through dragging and dropping.

“Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall has impacted my organization positively by making it very easy to work and offering a more competitive price compared to other vendors. The only issue I perceive is that sometimes it gets a very slow response for no reason, which we have been facing frequently when using Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall.

“It is saving money, it is easy to use, and it has a very nice graphical interface..”

**Marcelo-Araujo**

Cyber Security Specialist at a comms service provider with 501-1,000 employees

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“Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall does help in vulnerability identification and response by providing a single unified console through which I am able to monitor and manage infrastructure.

“The URL filtering capability of Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall helps in blocking malicious sites. We have to take care of both known threats and unknown threats. The firewall takes care of known threats, and we protect ourselves from unknown threats such as malicious code and malware that we cannot create firewall rules for. With these routing capabilities and policies, only whitelisted things get processed or passed.

“The biggest advantages of Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall, especially as a partner, service provider, and integrator, are that it is very easy to integrate these APIs with our solution, and most of the features I am getting in the clientless mode. Even with the client mode, it is easy to integrate with our client, allowing the customer to get a single client to address all the features of the firewall as well as the GTNA perspective.

“The flexibility of deployment, especially for the government and defense sectors, is that they want an on-premises solution, while the rest of the PSUs or enterprise segment are comfortable with the cloud offering, which is the SaaS offering and the way to go in the future..”

**Ajit Pratap Kundan**

Manager Solution Consulting at Accops Systems Pvt Ltd

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“I appreciate Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall for its capability to use VPN tunnels between branches, especially if they are under the same management center of Forcepoint. It is really easy and nice to use. You can do a route-based VPN tunnel as well as policy-based VPN tunnels between branches and some central point.

I have some experience with the IPS feature of Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall. It is a feature you can use to observe the traffic and identify bad behavior on the network. This is a passive function that allows you to identify traffic, and in the next step, you can cancel or discard this traffic.

The centralized management console of Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall is really helpful. You can manage all the firewalls in just one control center, and you can use around twenty firewalls and have them under one. It is really nice to have this feature, far better than having to connect to all the firewalls separately.

I am using the Secure SD-WAN feature for remote workforces, and it is a really good feature. You can have more than one tunnel to other branches and use those tunnels. One of them could be standby while the other is active, and they can both be active as well to split the traffic and use more speed.

URL filtering is very helpful in blocking malicious sites in Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall, especially when you have end-users who browse dangerous or improper sites from work or office computers. You can monitor and block this traffic..”

**Petr Pouzar**

IT Consultant at M-COM s.r.o

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“For threat prevention, I noticed on another customer that there were repeated scanning and exploit attempts against some public-facing service running on HTTPS. I configured Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall to handle IPS by enabling it with critical and high severity signatures only to reduce false positives. I turned on IP reputation filtering to filter out known malicious networks, applied rate limiting on specific services in the DMZ, and logged events centrally for correlation. As a result, exploit attempts were much less than before, being blocked before reaching the back-end servers from the firewall itself, with no performance degradation on the applications. The security team received clear and actionable logs that were centralized, so they knew what was happening all the time.

“Strong network segmentation is my favorite feature that Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall offers. The policies are very deterministic and readable, and it has excellent east-west blocking and least privilege architecture. Application awareness identifies traffic beyond just the port itself; I can identify the application using a specific port and block risky applications even if they use allowed ports, which is great for environments with shadow IT. The integrated threat prevention is also very good, with IPS featuring well-tuned signatures and reputation-based filtering that blocks known bad actors before they can touch any applications. It supports both IPsec and SSL VPN tunnels, along with site-to-site, client-to-site, and hybrid cloud links, integrating well with Active Directory and LDAP. Additionally, centralized log management and reporting are very actionable and structured, with clarity in the policies for auditing. Overall, its stability and reliability are commendable.

“A real example of how Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall's readable policies and application awareness features made my work easier was fixing a flat network problem without breaking actual applications. I inherited an environment where users, application servers, and databases were loosely segmented, with port-based and messy firewall rules. Security audits flagged lateral movement risks, and application owners were scared of outages if I tightened security too much. Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall made it easy by providing very easy-to-read and logical policies. I built policies that are clear, showing communications from the user zone to the application zone to specific applications, or from the app zone

to the database zone, using only required database protocols. By default, I applied a deny rule between zones unless explicitly allowed by the readable rules I implemented. The policy view clarified who talks to whom, which rules exist, why they exist, and the business function they support, effectively stopping port abuse.

“Security posture has definitely improved greatly since using Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall. From a flat or semi-flat network, I now have clear zone-based segmentation, with increased operational efficiency. The admins using the firewall have rules that are easy to read and intent-based, making changes easier to review and approve. There is less fear that one wrong rule could break production and fewer outages caused by security changes, without hidden matches or rule shadowing surprises. Clear hit count visibility helps me clean unused rules, leading to much fewer outages caused by changes on the firewalls. The centralized log management with supported log types provides better visibility for the SOC team and the SIEM team, as Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall sends very easy-to-parse and search clear logs to the SOC team.

“I did see measurable, defensible results after using Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall, including fewer security incidents reaching the back-end servers. This reduction is due to strong segmentation, application awareness, and IPS features, leading to a 60 to 70 percent reduction in security alerts that actually reach the servers. DMZ exploit attempts dropped to near zero, and no lateral movement incidents were detected post network segmentation. Additionally, overall SOC efficiency improved due to well-structured and contextual logs reflecting clear policy intent, resulting in a 35 to 40 percent reduction in mean time to triage. SOC analysts stopped chasing noise and false positives, as they had much clearer logs to use confidently..”

**Verified user**

Cybersecurity Engineer at a tech consulting company with 51-200 employees

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## Other Solutions Considered

“Previously, I used a Cisco Firewall, and I switched to Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall because of the central management and the deep log information..”

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“I would say Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall is leading in its customer segment, especially in the defense sector where they are very strong, but in environments such as finance, I think Palo Alto has an edge compared to Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall..”

**Ajit Pratap Kundan**

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Manager Solution Consulting at Accops Systems Pvt Ltd

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“In terms of comparing Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall on a general level, they are very similar regarding features and quality of performance compared to Palo Alto or Cisco or some of the other major players for next generation..”

**Verified user**

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CEO at a comms service provider with 11-50 employees

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“We need to rethink the usability and the availability of training and resources. These should make administration and operating this solution as easy as other competitors. For example, competitors like Fortinet and Palo Alto have easier management, especially Fortinet..”

**Mostafa-Mourad**

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Cyber Security Head at Turnkey Integrated Technologies TK-IT

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“Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall is quite affordable. I would say that it is cheaper than other brands like Palo Alto or Check Point. It has a lot of capabilities and is very stable. It is also very well-made. For its price, I suppose that it is still good, even though I know that their prices are rising a little bit, but still it is better than Palo Alto, for example.

For its price, Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall is a really good product when compared to other vendors..”

**Petr Pouzar**

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“I work with firewalls like Symantec Data Loss Prevention (DLP), firewalls like Palo Alto, FortiGate, and Check Point, along with routers and switches. I've also worked with Juniper, Cisco Fabric, Cisco Nexus (NX-OS), HPE Aruba.

I switched positions, and my new job doesn't use Check Point. So, the last time I used Check Point was in 2022.

Now, I use FortiGate, Palo Alto, and Forcepoint.

We also use different solutions based on use cases or specific functions. For example, we don't use Forcepoint for VPN. We use Pulse on-premises to connect remote users to the local network..”

**OusaidAbaz**

Security Network Architect at novonordisc

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# ROI

Real user quotes about their ROI:

“I don't believe in ROI when talking about cybersecurity because there's no real way to measure it. Cybersecurity ROI could be \$1 or \$100 million, depending on the risk of data behind it. I've seen ROI analyses from many cybersecurity companies, but I find it hard to trust the numbers..”

**Pablo-Verdina**

Sales Manager at Mega tech S.A

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“I did see a return on investment with Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall, as mentioned by the efficiency improvements and the metrics related to how much I cut investigation time, the number of incidents, and the ease of making changes or pushing new configurations. I overall save on costs by needing fewer people to manage it and fewer decision-makers involved..”

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Cybersecurity Engineer at a tech consulting company with 51-200 employees

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“Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall provides cost savings with minimal costs. It does not have high pricing for on-premise solutions and on-cloud solutions. It is easy and offers different solutions for each solution type with small, mid, and large scale options available. This makes it easy to choose the appropriate firewall and minimize costs and save money..”

**VikasTiwari**

Senior Network Engineer at Anthology

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“It is possible to observe a return on investment with Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall. For example, a customer is using many point products such as DLP and patch management. If you go with an advanced solution such as what Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall provides, such as a SASE solution, point products become obsolete, and you can achieve a better ROI because you avoid renewal prices for those products..”

**Ajit Pratap Kundan**

Manager Solution Consulting at Accops Systems Pvt Ltd

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# Use Case

“The main use case for Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall is not just the installation but to offer or suggest an architecture, showing how to use it basically on the edge of the customer's network..”

**Petr Pouzar**

IT Consultant at M-COM s.r.o

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“I am dealing with Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall from the business perspective, specifically from the pre-sales perspective and solution architecture. My company is not using Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall, but my customers are..”

**Verified user**

System Engineer at a computer software company with 1,001-5,000 employees

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“My main use case for Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall is to manage the security perimeter.

“A quick, specific example of how I use Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall to manage my security perimeter involves making inspection, NAT, and ACL.

“In addition to managing the security perimeter with Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall, we also need to manage the SD-WAN functionality and VPN intra-site..”

**Verified user**

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“The major use cases for Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall are in government turnkey projects where we require a lot of traffic coming from the public domain. That is why we are putting these firewalls in HA mode to handle load balancing as well as filtering the traffic.

“Some of my clients are using SD-WAN for remote workforces. We are using SD-WAN features for customers such as LIC and some banks in remote villages or places where we can connect or access applications with the SD-WAN solution.

“Regarding the stability of Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall, the solution is usually very stable, and I hardly hear about any glitches or latency issues recently compared to other vendors such as F5 or Cisco..”

**Ajit Pratap Kundan**

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“Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall was implemented for SD-WAN solutions across all 1,500 plus locations. The deployment includes routing and BGP routing, L3 switching, L2 switching, and site-to-site VPN and SSL VPNs. IPS enabled antivirus applications, IPS, IDS, application control, and quality of service are also included. All firewalls are managed through the SMC, which is the Security Management server center. Overall, no issues have been encountered, but there are some dependencies on the SMC components. Occasionally, connectivity challenges between Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall and SMC have been observed. It is important to ensure that licenses are renewed before expiring, as no modifications are allowed after the license expires.

“Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall policies are created with source IP and applications policy configurations. Some routing and BGP routing have been added, and new locations have been added. All firewalls are synced with the SMC.

“Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall provides excellent SD-WAN solutions. It is very easy to connect Wi-Fi solutions and any other interface solutions. Both on-premise solutions and hybrid solutions are available. It can be easily integrated with different solutions..”

**VikasTiwari**

Senior Network Engineer at Anthology

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“My main use case for Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall has been network security and segmentation, relying on it most for remote access and threat prevention as a strong secondary role. The primary use case is perimeter and internal network security, and secondary use cases include site-to-site and branch connectivity using IPsec VPN tunnels, remote access using SSL remote access, and threat prevention by using it as an IPS, malware inspection, and reputation filtering.

“I worked with a customer at a large enterprise where they had a core data center, a DMZ network, and internal business apps, with a sensitive finance system. With Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall, I designed a strict zone-based segmentation model, from internet to DMZ, then from DMZ to application tier, from application tier to database tier, and from user LAN into internal services. I used granular firewall policies so that only specific protocols, specific ports, and destinations were allowed, with explicit deny by default between the zones unless enabled by the granular firewall policies. I enabled application identification, blocking non-business traffic even if it was using allowed ports, and tagged each application on every policy. Lateral movement risk was massively reduced, and the organization passed internal security audits with zero critical findings, so the policies were very clean and readable. Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall's policy engine is very strong here and very user-friendly..”

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Cybersecurity Engineer at a tech consulting company with 51-200 employees

# Setup

The setup process involves configuring and preparing the product or service for use, which may include tasks such as installation, account creation, initial configuration, and troubleshooting any issues that may arise. Below you can find real user quotes about the setup process.

The initial setup was a bit complex, requiring us to customize Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall according to our organization's standards, necessitating partner involvement.

**Aamir Ejaz**

Head of IT Department at Mana

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“The initial setup of Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall is usually straightforward from a professional use and expert perspective – it is normal and not difficult. However, these are products that require expert knowledge to some degree in my experience..”

**Verified user**

CEO at a comms service provider with 11-50 employees

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“The initial setup can be quite complex. When trying to apply content filters with different network setups in the same machine, even with good planning and reference manuals, issues can arise. Combining different functionalities on the same box often results in problems..”

**Pablo-Verdina**

Sales Manager at Mega tech S.A

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“The installation of Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall is usually straightforward. Most of the tasks are possible remotely, so we do not have to be on-premises or in person at the customer's site. Most tasks are done remotely by the Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall professional services team..”

**Ajit Pratap Kundan**

Manager Solution Consulting at Accops Systems Pvt Ltd

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“Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall has a boot option and is very easy to deploy, taking very little time. Only one boot is required, or a pen drive can be inserted and booted, then rebooted, and it will automatically connect the firewall with the SMC. Policies can be easily published through SMC. The firewall can be deployed within 20 minutes..”

**VikasTiwari**

Senior Network Engineer at Anthology

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“I had multiple options concerning the licensing model for Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall. One option is perpetual plus support, which feels like a classic enterprise licensing model with predictable upfront costs. Another is the subscription model offering feature or security bundles, which feels flexible but requires discipline to manage costs. There is also the option in the AWS Marketplace to deploy as pay-as-you-go, leading to hourly billing with licenses included, or bring your own license to AWS and attach it. Pay-as-you-go is simple for temporary use or proof of concept, while bring your own license typically saves money long-term..”

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# Customer Service and Support

Technical support is sometimes slow to respond, and it takes longer to resolve issues. This has been true across all Forcepoint products. I rate customer service four to five out of ten.

**Aamir Ejaz**

Head of IT Department at Mana

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“Generally, for Forcepoint, the customer support and customer service might be better, but especially for the firewalls, it is quite good. It is better than other technologies of Forcepoint..”

**Petr Pouzar**

IT Consultant at M-COM s.r.o

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“The experience with Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall customer service has been very good. TAC engineers are very experienced and troubleshoot issues within the expected timeframe with no problems..”

**VikasTiwari**

Senior Network Engineer at Anthology

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“Customer support for Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall is standard support: I open a ticket, wait a bit, and an agent connects with me. It is level one support, and if there is a complex incident or issue, I wait for escalation to level two and so on. I would give it a three out of five..”

**Verified user**

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“Regarding customer support, last year it was not as good or quick, but the last call and ticket raised seemed to be better.

“I would rate the customer support a seven..”

**Verified user**

Responsabile System and Security at a energy/utilities company with 501-1,000 employees

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“Technical support from Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall is great. We have a point of contact from the account manager to the presales representative, and they connect with the technical support team, providing support in Indian time, so we do not have to worry about US or European time zones.

“If I were to rate my happiness with support from zero to ten points, I give it eight out of ten..”

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## Other Advice

“I would advise others looking into using Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall that it has a competitive price compared to other vendors, and it is easy to use with a good graphical interface and attentive technical support. My review rating for this product is 6..”

### Marcelo-Araujo

Cyber Security Specialist at a comms service provider with 501-1,000 employees

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“I would rate Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall a nine on a scale of one to ten.

“I give it a nine because support is not always very speedy, which stops me from giving it a ten.

“My overall review rating for Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall is nine..”

### Verified user

Responsabile System and Security at a energy/utilities company with 501-1,000 employees

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“Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall is an excellent firewall with many next-generation features, including IPS, IDS, application console, UTM, quality of service, DDoS protections, and deep packet inspections. All types of VPN connectivity and routing are available. It is very easy to understand and deploy. The only issue that has been observed is related to licensing. It is important to ensure that licenses are renewed before expiration, as no modifications are allowed after the license expires. This would be helpful for users and clients. Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall has only two components: SMC and Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall. Overall, the rating for Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall is 10 out of 10..”

**VikasTiwari**

Senior Network Engineer at Anthology

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“Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall is for people who have skills. The customer should have a good skilled team to operate this solution because it is not that easy. It could be compared with Palo Alto in terms of difficulty. The technical team should be skilled to manage it. The customer scale differs from industry to industry, but they are dealing with medium businesses and have a competitive cost, so it is an affordable technology.

“For non-experienced people, skilled people are required to manage Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall because it has many dashboards, many customizations, fine-tuning, and principles, so it requires skilled management.

“I have not used secure SD-WAN for remote workforces before, but this feature is already in place and is used extensively.

“I would rate this product a 6 out of 10..”

**Verified user**

System Engineer at a computer software company with 1,001-5,000 employees

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“Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall is very solid and strong at the fundamentals that enterprises rely on, but it lags behind market leaders in a few modern areas. The policy clarity and segmentation are noteworthy strengths of Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall, along with stability, predictability, and effective threat prevention without noise, making it enterprise-friendly. However, the UI and UX feel a little dated, while cloud-native capabilities are somewhat limited. It works on [AWS](#), for example, but is not cloud-first based, lacking deep integration with cloud constructs such as security group tags and automated automation tooling, which are stronger in other competitors. Additionally, while user identity and analytics depth is good, user-centric visibility is somewhat weak, and the ecosystem and innovation pace are smaller compared to competitors such as Fortinet or Palo Alto.

“I advise those looking into using Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall to deploy it as a pay-as-you-go option for a few days, using it for proof of concept to explore the GUI, features, and capabilities to get accustomed to it. If they are comfortable with a classic GUI that is not as modern as other options such as Palo Alto, they should remember that the core features are very strong. It is a very stable product, so I suggest they seek out other customers with existing deployments of Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall and ask about their experiences before making the decision to use it themselves. Overall, it is an excellent product, highly reliable, and among the top contenders; Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall is well known. I gave Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall a 7.5 out of 10..”

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“My experience these days includes extensive work with VMware and HP.

“I am currently working with Alletra Storage, also known as GreenLake for block storage. GreenLake is a cloud offering.

“The solutions from HP that I am using now include [SimpliVity](#).

“For [OpenText](#), I have knowledge of many products which I worked with in the past. A couple of years ago, [OpenText](#) was known as Novell. Before Micro Focus it was Novell. All these products such as PlateSpin, Novell Access Manager, Identity Manager, and PAM solution were previously named Novell. Now it is Micro Focus and now OpenText.

“I worked with Tanzu in the past, five years ago.

“Right now, I am working with an eCops solution. Apart from eCops, I worked with Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall, [WAF](#) solution, Forcepoint [WAF](#), and [SASE](#) solution, and I have also worked with [Zscaler SASE](#) solution.

“Today, I work with HP, Forcepoint Next Generation Firewall, and Cisco.

“Cisco is a partner I am working with on a couple of projects, having many offerings such as servers, switches, and routers. They are partners in different regions, but sometimes compete, such as with [Cisco Duo](#) where we compete in multi-factor authentication and [IAM](#) space. Similarly, Cisco AnyConnect serves as a VPN, and we find eCops competing with Cisco, having replaced them in several instances.

“I work with [Cisco Secure Access](#), which is our competitor.

“I have indeed worked with Secure Access in the past.

“I worked with Secure Access back in 2021.

“I would rate this review nine out of ten..”

**Ajit Pratap Kundan**

Manager Solution Consulting at Accops Systems Pvt Ltd

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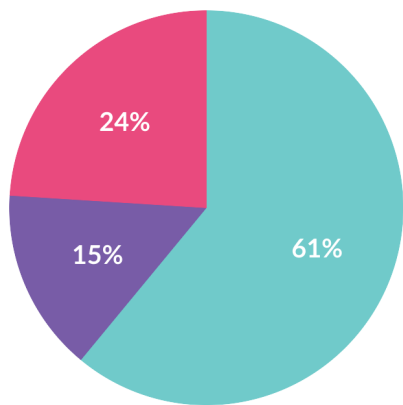
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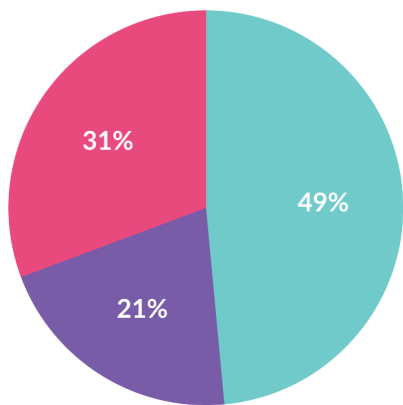


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