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#### Microsoft's New 'Microfluidic' Tech Cools AI Chips From Within

Microsoft is enhancing its data center operations with AI-driven cooling systems and networking technologies to support increasingly demanding workloads. The company is using machine learning to optimize temperature control and airflow, reducing energy consumption maintaining performance. innovations are part of a broader strategy to improve efficiency and sustainability across its infrastructure. Faster networking components are being deployed to handle the surge in data traffic from AI and cloud services. Together, these upgrades reflect a shift toward smarter, more adaptive data center environments capable of meeting future computational needs.

Source: DatacenterKnowledge, September 24th, 2025

### What Is Rack-Scale Computing, and Why Is It Relevant Again?

Rack-scale computing is regaining relevance as data centers seek more efficient wavs manage to performance workloads, especially those driven by AI and cloud services. Instead of treating servers as isolated units, this approach pools resources like CPUs, GPUs, memory, and storage across entire racks, enabling dynamic allocation based on demand. Advances in interconnect technologies and modular hardware have made it easier to implement rackscale architectures with low latency and high bandwidth. This model improves scalability and energy efficiency, addressing the limitations of traditional server-centric designs. As workloads become more complex and dataintensive, rack-scale computing offers a flexible foundation for future infrastructure. Its resurgence reflects a composable broader shift toward systems that prioritize performance, agility, and resource optimization.

Source: <u>Datacenterknowledge</u>, September 15th, 2025

#### Inside the world's most powerful AI datacenter

Fairwater is the most advanced built. designed datacenter ever operate as a unified supercomputer rather than a traditional cloud facility. It spans 315 acres in Wisconsin and houses three massive buildings filled with densely packed servers and custom accelerators. These are interconnected that enables ultra-fast communication across hundreds of thousands of NVIDIA datacenter performance levels ten times greater than the world's fastest supercomputer, supporting large-scale AI training and inference.

Cooling is managed by a closed-loop liquid system powered by one of the largest waste while maintaining thermal efficiency. exabyte-scale throughput, seamless access to vast datasets. Fairwater is part of a global AI WAN, linking multiple facilities into a distributed mesh that enhances scalability resilience. Altogether, it represents a major leap in infrastructure for frontier AI, blending performance with sustainable extreme design.

Source: Bolg.microsoft, September 18th, 2025

## Data Center Talent Crisis: 40% of Staff Plan Job Changes Despite Rising Salaries

Despite rising salaries in the data center industry, a significant portion of the workforce is considering job changes, highlighting a deepening talent crisis. Around 40% of staff are planning to leave their current roles, driven by factors such as burnout, lack of career progression, and evolving skill demands. The sector is facing mounting pressure to retain experienced professionals while also attracting new talent capable of handling increasingly complex infrastructure. Employers are responding with higher pay and expanded training programs, but these measures are not fully addressing the underlying dissatisfaction. The rapid growth of AI and cloud services is intensifying the need for specialized skills, making workforce stability a critical issue. Without strategic changes in workplace culture and career development, the data center industry risks longterm disruption from talent shortages.

Source: Datacenterknowledge, September 23th, 2025

# Special Feature : From (server) farm to fork : Could data centers supply produce

Data centers are being reimagined as potential hubs for food production, leveraging their excess heat and energy to support vertical farming and greenhouse operations. This concept explores how server farms could integrate agricultural systems that benefit from the controlled environments and thermal output of IT infrastructure. By repurposing waste heat, data centers could reduce energy costs for growing produce while contributing to local food supply chains. The idea aligns with sustainability goals, offering a dual-purpose model that supports both digital agricultural ecosystems. Challenges remain around scalability, logistics, and regulatory frameworks, but pilot projects are beginning to test feasibility. If successful, this fusion of technology and agriculture could redefine how urban spaces utilize infrastructure for both computation and cultivation.

Source: W.media, September 29th, 2025

#### NVIDIA intends to invest up to US\$ 100 billion in OpenAI

NVIDIA is reportedly planning a massive investment of up to \$100 billion in OpenAI, signaling a deepening partnership between the chipmaker and the AI research organization. The move reflects NVIDIA's strategic ambition to dominate the AI hardware space, especially as demand for high-performance GPUs continues to surge. OpenAI, known for its cutting-edge models like GPT, relies heavily on NVIDIA's chips to power its training infrastructure, making the two companies increasingly interdependent. This potential investment would not only secure OpenAI's access to critical hardware but also strengthen NVIDIA's influence over the future of generative AI. The deal is expected to involve a mix of direct funding, infrastructure support, and long-

term supply agreements. Industry analysts view this as a bold response to growing competition from other tech giants like Google and Meta, who are developing their own AI accelerators. If finalized, the partnership could reshape the AI landscape by consolidating power between a leading hardware provider and a top-tier AI developer. The article also hints at broader implications for cloud providers and enterprise AI adoption, as such a deal could shift the balance of innovation and control.

Source: W.media, September 23th, 2025

## Alibaba Cloud announces global expansion plans, partners with NVIDIA for AI development

Alibaba Cloud is expanding globally with new and data regions upgraded center infrastructure to meet rising demand for Al services. As part of this initiative, it is partnering with NVIDIA to integrate advanced GPU technologies that enhance its cloudbased AI capabilities. This collaboration supports the development of generative AI and large-scale model training, positioning Alibaba Cloud as a key player in highperformance computing. The expansion energy-efficient includes investments in architecture and scalable systems tailored for AI workloads. With these moves, Alibaba Cloud strengthens its competitive edge in the international cloud market, especially in regions prioritizing Al innovation.

Source: W,media, September 25th, 2025

### Surging AI use to accelerate demand for neocloud services: JLL

Surging demand for AI is accelerating the need for NeoCloud services. combine traditional cloud infrastructure with high-performance computing tailored for artificial intelligence. Enterprises are shifting toward data centers that offer greater scalability, energy efficiency, and Al optimization to support large language generative models and AI. transformation is influencing decisions around location, cooling systems, and power capacity, as legacy setups struggle to meet the new requirements. NeoCloud emerges as a flexible and powerful solution, capable of adapting to the evolving computational demands of Al. As a result, investment in next-generation data centers is expected to rise sharply, with real estate and technology sectors aligning to support this growth.

Source: W.media, September 16th, 2025



### **Data Center Due Diligence**

RSI as a proven partner to help you make informed investment decisions

RSI provides a proven strategy for business success by thoroughly evaluating all aspects of your Data Center Due Diligence projects, from the proposed land to the existing facility, to assess its asset value. The condition of buildings and facilities, and the local land characteristics are

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- PUE calculation support
- Design, supervision, and site verification
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- Due diligence of existing data centers

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