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What is an Information System (IS)?

Information System is a combined coordination of software, hardware and telecommunication networks that collects data to be used for information purposes. It gathers information resources and appropriately processes, stores, and disseminates information. Along with software and hardware, database, network and people are parts of IS components. These integrate to perform input, process, output, outcome, feedback, and control. Information Systems facilitates the delivery of services at many levels. Besides enabling the recording of information, Information system supports the planning, management, and performance of processes. Information system could be useful to a lot of groups. It can be useful to hospital systems to generate health information to patients and hospital workers. And corporations for example uses information system as well. They use information system in processing financial accounts, manage their human resources, and reach potential customers through online. Basically, information system is widely used in running inter-organizational supply chains and electronic markets. To briefly explain information system, it allows users not just to store or collect but to organize datas from gathering to disseminating information, which can be more time efficient. It minimizes wasted time and be more productive having the most valuable and reliable resources.