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Subject: What is "burstable ram"  
Posted by [mperkel](#) on Fri, 02 Feb 2007 14:36:50 GMT  
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I see VPS vendors talking about "burstable" ram. What exactly does this mean?

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Burstable RAM is RAM your VPS has the ability to use but isn't guaranteed to. Basically it's for spikes in usage not consistent usage like Guaranteed RAM.

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Posted by [mperkel](#) on Sun, 04 Feb 2007 22:52:55 GMT  
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I guess I'm really asking what settings determine the burstable ram?

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Posted by [devonblzx](#) on Mon, 05 Feb 2007 03:55:43 GMT  
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Type this command in your VPS, "cat /proc/user\_beancounters".

Privvmpages is burstable RAM, vmguarpages is guaranteed RAM. (Those are the two different settings)

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Thank you.

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Subject: Re: What is "burstable ram"  
Posted by [SoftDux](#) on Tue, 11 Dec 2007 23:27:30 GMT  
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correct me if I'm wrong, but I was under the impression that OpenVZ doesn't use burst RAM, but

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rather guaranteed RAM?

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