

Exterro FTK 8.3

From Collected Evidence to Defensible Answers – Faster

Exterro FTK 8.3 enables investigation teams to process larger evidence sets, reduce review burden, and move from collected data to defensible findings with greater confidence.

Digital investigations now involve multiple devices and data sources across many users, systems, and teams. The challenge is no longer simply collecting the data. The harder challenge is turning that data into answers quickly enough to support decisions, reporting, legal obligations, and defensible outcomes.

After an incident, teams must quickly determine what happened, who was involved, and what data was accessed, but are often delayed by processing bottlenecks and inconsistent visibility.

Exterro FTK 8.3 helps investigation teams turn larger, more complex evidence sets into defensible findings by improving processing, review, analysis, endpoint collection, and AI-assisted investigation. For the investigators we serve, the value is practical: less time waiting on data, less effort spent digging through irrelevant material, better context around what happened, and a clearer path from collected evidence to defensible findings.

Key Capabilities in Exterro FTK 8.3



Improved Processing at Scale

Helps teams prepare larger and more complex evidence sets for review and analysis with greater efficiency, reliability, and control.



FTK Assist

Provides AI-assisted investigation capabilities, including natural-language questions and contextual summaries, to help investigators identify useful starting points while preserving human oversight.



Dynamic Batch Review

Helps administrators focus review teams on assigned or relevant evidence, reducing noise and improving reviewer productivity.



Database Browser Enhancements

Supports deeper analysis of application and structured data evidence, helping investigators understand activity contained in databases and related artifacts.



Timeline Enhancements

Helps investigators reconstruct activity over time, identify important events, and support clearer investigative conclusions.



Streamlined Review Workflows

Improves filtering, organization, export, and case review workflows so teams can move through evidence more efficiently.



Endpoint and Collection Enhancements

Supports investigations across distributed endpoint environments, helping teams improve visibility and control during collection and analysis.

Key Benefits of Exterro FTK 8.3

Improve Processing Speed and Reliability So Large Evidence Sets Keep Moving

Investigations can slow down before review even begins. Endpoint collections, mobile data, structured application records, communications, and system activity all need to be processed, organized, and prepared before teams can begin meaningful analysis.

FTK 8.3 delivers improved processing performance, reliability, and control. It enables teams to move larger and more complex evidence sets into review with fewer delays. This matters because every hour lost before review begins increases downstream pressure on examiners, reviewers, legal teams, security teams, and anyone awaiting the outcome.

Customer value: *Investigative teams can get evidence into review sooner, reduce delays before analysis begins, and keep investigations moving as case sizes grow.*

Reduce Review Burden Earlier

Processing is just the first step. Investigators often lose time searching and filtering data to find relevant facts within large collections.

FTK 8.3 lets teams narrow large datasets and focus reviews more effectively. **FTK Assist** brings AI-assisted investigation directly to the forensic workflow by letting users ask natural-language questions, generate contextual summaries, and identify useful starting points, all while keeping human judgment central to the process.

Customer value: *Less time sorting data, more time understanding evidence.*

Reconstruct What Happened With Better Context

Investigators must clarify when the events occurred, who was involved, and how the systems were affected as the evidence itself rarely tells the story.

FTK 8.3 strengthens timeline and database analysis to help teams connect activity and understand user behavior in context. Enhanced Database Browser features enable deeper analysis of application and structured data evidence, while timeline enhancements help investigators identify key events, activity patterns, and sequences to reach clearer investigative conclusions.

Customer value: *Investigative teams can connect potential evidence for a clearer more complete understanding of the story.*

Support Modern Endpoint and Collection Workflows

Investigations increasingly span distributed and remote environments. Evidence may sit across Windows, Mac, Linux, mobile, and other endpoint sources, and teams need collection workflows that are consistent, visible, and defensible across real-world systems.

FTK 8.3 streamlines endpoint and collection workflows to support modern investigations across distributed environments. These enhancements enable teams to work with greater consistency and control as they collect, process, review, and analyze evidence across different platforms and locations.

Customer value: *Reduce blind spots and improve collection reliability across endpoints.*

Built for the Breach, Internal, and Government Investigations



Post-Breach Investigations

After a breach, organizations need evidence of what was affected, what was accessed, and what must be reported, not just alerts.

FTK 8.3 helps teams process endpoint and system evidence, narrow review to relevant data, analyze activity across systems, and support a clearer understanding of the incident.



Internal Investigations

Internal investigations involve sensitive issues like policy violations or unauthorized data access. Teams need to determine exactly what occurred.

FTK 8.3 helps teams review emails, chats, file activity, browser activity, mobile data, application records, and endpoint evidence with greater focus and less manual effort.



Law Enforcement and Government Investigations

Law enforcement and government agencies face growing volumes of evidence, limited resources, and pressure to move cases forward. Evidence may include large device images, mobile data, media files, communications, databases, browser activity, and system artifacts.

FTK 8.3 improves processing, review, timeline analysis, database analysis, and endpoint visibility, enabling agencies to move through larger, more complex cases more efficiently.

Why FTK 8.3 Matters

Evidence takes too long to process. Reviewers sort through too much irrelevant data. Activity must be reconstructed manually across systems. Structured data may require separate tools or specialized handling. Collection and review workflows are often disconnected across teams, systems, and locations.

FTK 8.3 addresses those pressure points across the investigation lifecycle. The value is not simply that the release adds more features. The value is that it improves the parts of the investigation where customers most often lose time, lose context, or lose momentum.

For investigation teams, that means more progress with less friction. For organizations, it means faster movement from collected evidence to defensible findings.

Business Impact

With FTK 8.3 investigation teams can:

- » Reduce delays before review begins.
- » Decrease manual review burden.
- » Focus on relevant evidence earlier.
- » Improve visibility across endpoints and evidence sources.
- » Better understand activity across systems, databases, and timelines.
- » Reduce workflow fragmentation across teams and technologies.
- » Make better use of forensic, legal, compliance, and security resources.
- » Support more timely, evidence-based decisions.



The Bottom Line

*See how Exterro FTK 8.3 can transform
how you handle complex evidence sets.*

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