IBM Kubecost

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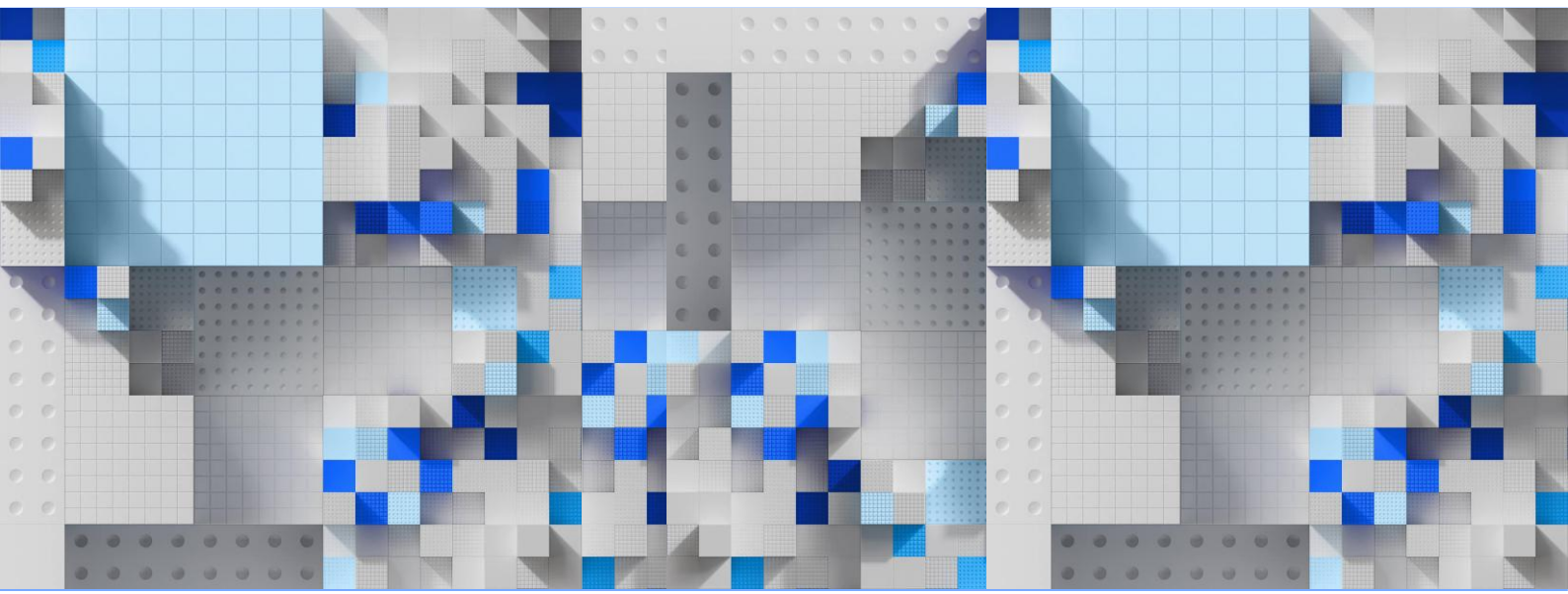
Kubecost helps DevOps and Platform teams continuously reduce the cost of operating Kubernetes with real-time visibility, allocation, optimization, and governance. Integrated seamlessly across multi-cloud and hybrid environments, the self-hosted solution combines open-source transparency with enterprise reliability.



Kubernetes adoption continues to accelerate across enterprises, driving both innovation and operational complexity. As organizations scale their Kubernetes footprints across multi-cloud and hybrid environments, cloud spend becomes increasingly unpredictable and difficult to attribute. Teams often lack unified visibility into container-level costs, network spend, shared resources, and out-of-cluster allocations. Engineering teams are pressured to increase velocity, while FinOps teams struggle to analyze, forecast, and govern consumption because of Kubernetes's highly dynamic nature. Traditional cloud cost tools cannot provide the depth, granularity, or real-time accuracy required for K8s environments, creating friction across engineering, finance, and operations.

IBM Kubecost was purpose-built to solve this gap. Originating as an open-source project and now trusted by more than 15,000 teams, Kubecost provides granular, real-time Kubernetes cost insights, actionable optimization, and governance capabilities.

IBM Kubecost cloud services consist of the following:

- **IBM Kubecost** delivers real-time cost visibility, allocation, optimization, and governance for teams leveraging Kubernetes. Granular cost breakdowns and actionable savings insights help reduce cloud spend, optimize resource use, and scale cost-efficiently. Kubecost supports hybrid and multi-cloud deployments through seamless, self-hosted integration. Built on open-source principles, Kubecost combines transparency with enterprise-grade reliability, support, and the trust of leading organizations.

Pricing for IBM Kubecost is based on the monthly average count of Virtual Processor Cores (VPCs, or vCPU cores) monitored by the service, with simple tiers that offer volume discounts.

To purchase IBM Kubecost, a client must obtain sufficient entitlements based on the average number of Virtual Processor Cores (VPC) monitored by the Cloud Service over a running 30-day period. The Cloud Service calculates the average based on the number of minutes each VPC has been running over the 30-day period. For example, 1 VPC running for 90 minutes will account for 0.0625 of a full day’s VPC count and 0.00208 of a 30-day VPC count.

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