Amazon RDS pricing

Easy to manage relational databases optimized for total cost of ownership

Amazon RDS is free to try and you pay only for what you use with no minimum fees. You can pay for RDS using On-Demand or Reserved Instances. RDS provides a selection of instance types - select one of the RDS database (DB) engines below for view pricing.

Your RDS usage may be eligible for Database Savings Plans, a flexible pricing model that offers savings in exchange for a commitment to a specific amount of usage (measured in $/hour) over a 1 year term. You can learn more about eligible usage on the Database Savings Plans pricing page.

AWS Pricing Calculator for Amazon RDS

Calculate your Amazon RDS and architecture cost in a single estimate.

Create your custom estimate now

Increase database ROI

As data volume continues to grow, relational databases can grow with you without breaking your budget. Amazon RDS On-Demand DB Instances let you pay by the hour for DB usage with no long-term commitments. Reserved Instances are a 1 year or 3 year term. You can easily start and stop your database instance to simply and affordably develop and test your applications. RDS enables you to avoid costly downtime using features like automated backups, database snapshots, and automatic failover.

Read about the business value of RDS

Free tier

If you signed up for AWS Free Tier prior to July 15, 2025, you can continue to use RDS for free for up to 12 months on select single-AZ instance databases with up to 750 hours per month. Your usage is aggregated across instance types and DB engines (Amazon Aurora PostgreSQL, Amazon Aurora MySQL, PostgreSQL, or SQL Server - SQL Server Express Edition only.) You also receive 20 GB of General Purpose SSD storage (gp2) per month and 20 GB of automated database backup storage per month for 1 year.

If you sign up for AWS Free Tier after July 15, 2025, you can choose between a Free Plan or a Paid Plan for access to RDS. Either plan will offer $100 in credits and up to an additional $100 in credits for activating foundational AWS services. Free Tier credits are valid for up to 12 months. Additional details are explained in the "Explore AWS" widget in the AWS Management Console.

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Pricing by Amazon RDS engines

Amazon Aurora Pricing

Amazon RDS for MySQL Pricing

Amazon RDS for PostgreSQL Pricing

Amazon RDS for MariaDB Pricing

Amazon RDS for Oracle Pricing

Amazon RDS for SQL Server Pricing

Amazon RDS for Db2 Pricing

Instance type

Amazon RDS On-Demand Instances

With On-Demand Instances, you pay for compute capacity per hour your DB instance runs. With on-demand, DBA's are freed from undifferentiated, heavy lifting that comes with the complexity and planning, purchasing, and maintaining hardware. The transitions what are commonly large fixed costs into smaller variable costs.

On-Demand instances are recommended for:

- Users that prefer low cost and flexibility without any upfront payment or long-term commitment
- Applications with short-term, spiky, or unpredictable workloads that cannot be interrupted
- Applications being developed or tested on Amazon RDS for the first time

Learn more about Amazon RDS On-Demand Instances

Amazon RDS Reserved Instances

With Reserved Instances, you can reserve a DB instance for a one- or three-year term. Reserved Instances receive a significant discount compared to On-Demand Instances. Amazon RDS provides three Reserved Instance payment options - No Upfront, Partial Upfront, All Upfront - enabling you to balance the amount you pay upfront with your effective hourly price.

Reserved Instances are recommended for:

- Users with long-term, steady-state workloads
- Mission critical applications that run on Multi-AZ database deployments for high availability and data durability
- You can save up to 69% when you use Reserved Instances over on-demand rates when used in steady state

Learn more about Amazon RDS Reserved Instances

Storage options

General Purpose (SSD) storage

With General Purpose solid-state drive (SSD) storage, you can select from 20 GiB to 64 TiB of associated General Purpose (SSD) storage capacity for your primary data set.

General Purpose (SSD) storage provides a cost effective solution for:

- A broad range of database workloads that run on medium-sized DB instances
- Development and test workloads
- Workloads that aren't latency sensitive

Learn more

Provisioned IOPS (SSD) storage

Provisioned Input/output operations per second (IOPS) volumes allow you to scale from 1000 IOPS - 256,000 IOPS and 100 GiB to 64 TiB of storage. You will be charged for the IOPS and storage you provision. Note that maximum realized IOPS will vary by database workload.

Provisioned IOPS are recommended for:

- Your most I/O intensive workloads
- Database workloads that require low I/O latency
- Database workloads that require consistent I/O throughput

Learn more

Pricing by Amazon RDS deployments

Customers have a number of deployment options for Amazon RDS including on-premises environments using Amazon RDS on Outposts, using Amazon RDS Custom for privileged access to underlying database for applications like Oracle E-Business Suite, or running Amazon RDS Proxy to make applications more scalable, resilient, and secure.

- Amazon RDS on Outposts Pricing
- Amazon RDS Custom Pricing
- Amazon RDS Proxy Pricing

Amazon RDS Extended Support costs

Amazon RDS Extended Support allows you to continue use MySQL and PostgreSQL major versions after the community end of life. During this time, Amazon RDS will apply critical security patches, bug fixes through patch releases, giving you more time, up to three years, to upgrade to a new major version to help you meet your business requirements.

For provisioned instances on Amazon Aurora, RDS for MySQL, and RDS for PostgreSQL, RDS Extended Support is priced per vCPU per hour. For Aurora Serverless v2, RDS Extended Support is priced per Aurora Capacity Unit (ACU) per hour consumed by your database. RDS Extended Support pricing is also dependent on the calendar date.

To learn more about RDS Extended Support costs, see the Aurora, RDS for MySQL, and/or RDS for PostgreSQL pricing pages.

Data transfer costs

For more detailed information on Data Transfer pricing, please go to your preferred Amazon RDS engine pricing page.

- Data transferred between Amazon RDS and Amazon EC2 instances in the same Availability Zone
  - Free.
- Data transferred between Availability Zones for replication of Multi-AZ deployments
  - Free.
- Amazon RDS DB instances inside VPC

  When data transfers between an Amazon EC2 instance and an Amazon RDS database instance in different Availability Zones of the same Region, data transfer charges will apply. These data transfer charges follow the standard EC2 regional data transfer charges ($0.01 per GB out/GB for data transferred in and out of the Amazon EC2 instance. There is no additional charge for data transferred in and out of the Amazon RDS database instance.
- DB snapshot copies across Regions

  DB snapshot copy is charged for the data transferred to copy the snapshot to a different Region. Data transfer charges will apply to the initial RDS database snapshot charges will apply to store it in the destination Region.
- Cross-Region automated backups

  Cross-Region automated backups are charged for the data transferred to copy the automated DB snapshot and DB transaction logs across Regions. When the snapshot is copied, standard database snapshot charges will apply to store it in the destination Region. There is no additional charge for storage of the DB transaction logs.
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- Data transfer across other AWS services

  Rate-tiers take into account your aggregate data transfer out usage across EC2, Amazon EBS, Amazon S3, Amazon Glacier, Amazon RDS, Amazon SimpleDB, Amazon SQS, Amazon SNS, AWS Storage Gateway, Amazon DynamoDB, and Amazon VPC.

Public IPv4 costs

You will incur standard public IPv4 address charges associated with a resource launched in an Amazon VPC. Please review public IPv4 address pricing information for additional details.

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