

Backup with AWS

Protect your growing data stores, while enhancing security and durability

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BACKUP SOLUTIONS IN TODAY'S DATA LANDSCAPE

Regardless of industry, size, or location, all organizations experience data loss caused by myriad events – from unintentional system failures to data center shutdowns. While there are measures you can take to mitigate data-loss events, the most effective data-protection method is having an enterprise-wide backup solution.

Everything fails, all the time.

- Werner Vogels, AWS CTO

Backup in the current data landscape

Due to the exponential growth of data worldwide, designing and deploying backup solutions is more complicated than before. The International Data Corporation predicts global data will grow to 163 zettabytes by 2025, which is 10 times the amount of data generated in 2016.*

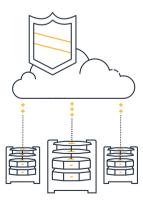


Traditional backup methods such as tape libraries cannot quickly scale to this growth and maintaining them and paying for offsite archival services can be prohibitively expensive.

New challenges, new tools

A growing number of organizations are extending on-premises backup capabilities to the cloud in order to accommodate this data growth. While the cloud offers numerous benefits, designing and deploying an agile backup solution in the cloud requires careful consideration of your existing IT investments, current operating environment, and recovery objectives.

How do you achieve greater storage scalability and control, without sacrificing security?



THIS IS WHERE AMAZON WEB SERVICES CAN HELP.

BENEFITS OF BACKING UP TO AWS

Since 2006, Amazon Web Services (AWS) has been providing cloud IT infrastructure services to hundreds of thousands of organizations. With AWS, companies can accommodate fluctuating backup demands in minutes, and no longer waste weeks or months procuring servers and other infrastructure.

In addition to increased scalability, organizations are realizing major benefits of extending backup targets to the AWS Cloud:



COST EFFICIENCIES AND REDUCTION OF TOTAL COST OF OWNERSHIP

With pay-as-you-go pricing, no upfront capital investments, and cost management tools, AWS customers can spend efficiently. When properly designed, extending backups to the AWS Cloud can serve as the first step in reducing total cost of ownership and your physical data center footprint.



ENHANCED DATA DURABILITY AND AVAILABILITY



MORE SECURITY WITH AWS THAN ON-PREMISES

All AWS customers benefit from a data center and network architecture built to meet the requirements of the most security-sensitive organizations in the most regulated industries, such as Financial Services, Public Sector, and Healthcare. We offer services to manage account access, detect irregular activity, isolate DDoS attacks, encrypt data in transit and at rest, and perform audits. AWS also maintains numerous security assurance programs, which means segments of your compliance are already completed.



ACCESS TO THE LATEST MACHINE LEARNING AND ANALYTICS TOOLS

Another benefit of backing up to AWS is the access your backup data has to the latest cloud-native applications for artificial intelligence, machine learning (ML), analytics, and business intelligence. This means you can extract insights from data sets that in traditional backup architectures would sit idle until recovered for production.

AWS' data center and network architecture is built to meet the requirements of the most security-sensitive organizations in the world. This is why enterprises like Kellogg's, Unilever, NASA JPL, Thomson Reuters, and the Financial Times back up and protect data with AWS.

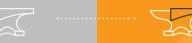
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Wait weeks or months for resources

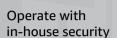


Scale IT resources

Store backups with limited durability



Store backups with





Operate with global-scale security





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Run ML and analytics on backup data

"Most important to us is that we save time. Backups are not a strategic part of our business.... We were looking to hire people to support this archaic system and now we're looking to reutilize these guys to help with our acquisitions and build out better infrastructures for us."

- Jason Cradit, Senior Director of Technology at TRC Solution

STORAGE SERVICES

AWS offers the most storage services to store and protect data in the cloud. All of these services are supported by the AWS infrastructure, which allows them to be *flexible*, *durable*, *scalable*, and *secure*.



AMAZON SIMPLE STORAGE SERVICE (AMAZON S3) Object storage



AMAZON S3 GLACIER Cold storage / Archive



AWS STORAGE GATEWAY Hybrid storage



AWS BACKUPFully managed backup service

AWS is designed to deliver on a customer promise of 99.99999999% durability of objects stored in Amazon S3 and Amazon S3 Glacier.

In theory, you can expect a loss of one object of 10 million stored in AWS, every 10,000 years.

ARCHITECTING BACKUP FOR THE CLOUD

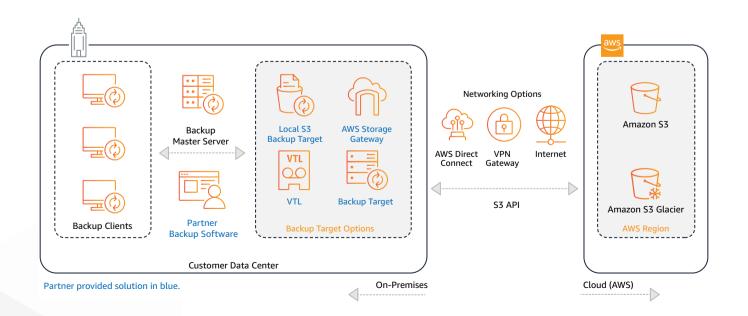
There are a range of architectural designs you can choose from that leverage the benefits of the AWS Cloud. If your current infrastructure and data are on-premises, consider a hybrid-cloud solution. For organizations already running on AWS, there are efficient cloud-native designs and features that can maximize your backup strategy and evolve it into more complex workloads for archiving and disaster recovery.

HYBRID-CLOUD BACKUP ARCHITECTURE

A lot of commonly-used backup software have built-in cloud connectors that, when enabled, can send data backups to the AWS Cloud for short-and long-term storage. If your on-premises backup software cannot write directly to the cloud, use a gateway service such as AWS Storage Gateway to create a seamless connection between your on-premises environment and AWS storage services Amazon S3 and Amazon S3 Glacier. During a restore, backup data is pulled back to the on-premises environment and reinstatiated for production.

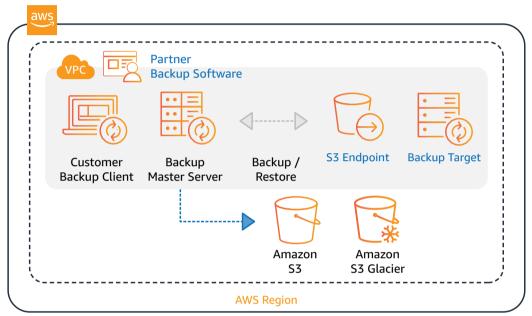
PRO TIP

To increase your ability to scale, protect, and restore backups, consider hosting backup engines and points of control in AWS (as opposed to on premises). This modification can facilitate faster data restores for use with the latest AWS Cloud-native applications for machine learning and analytics. In-cloud data restores are also critically helpful when data centers are corrupted or unavailable; you can replicate your on-premises environment in the cloud using AWS services and continue running applications with your backup data.



CLOUD-NATIVE BACKUP ARCHITECTURE

When your backup software, engines, servers, data, and storage are hosted on AWS, all these resources automatically scale to demand. There are no external resources required and customers can deploy solutions supported by the AWS Partner Network (APN) if collaborating with a third-party is preferred (see the AWS Partner Network section on page 8 for more information). Customers can use the Amazon EBS snapshot feature to back up and protect databases and file systems that are running on AWS' compute service Amazon Elastic Compute Cloud (Amazon EC2).



Partner provided solution in blue.

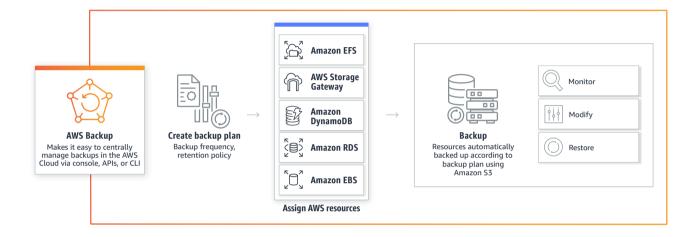
AMAZON EBS SNAPSHOTS

Amazon Elastic Block Store (Amazon EBS) provides the underlying storage for applications that run on Amazon EC2, such as databases and file systems. This means customers can use the Amazon EBS snapshot feature to back up and protect these applications and their respective data sets. It works by creating an exact replica of an Amazon EBS volume at a specific point-in-time.

After an EBS snapshot is created, it is stored as an object in an Amazon S3 bucket and inherits the data durability and replication features that support all other objects stored in Amazon S3. Amazon EBS snapshots are incremental, which means only changes since the last snapshot are saved.

CLOUD-NATIVE BACKUP ACROSS AWS SERVICES

AWS Backup is a fully managed, policy-based backup solution that makes it easy to automatically back up your application data across AWS services in the cloud as well as on premises using the AWS Storage Gateway. AWS Backup's policies provide automated backup scheduling, backup retention management, and lifecycle rules, helping to streamline backup processes. AWS Backup's centralized backup monitoring, backup encryption, and backup access policy features help you to meet internal and regulatory backup compliance requirements.



AWS Backup supports backing up Amazon EBS volumes, Amazon RDS databases, Amazon DynamoDB tables, Amazon EFS file systems, and AWS Storage Gateway volumes and stores your backup data durably and securely using Amazon S3.

AWS PARTNER NETWORK, THE STORAGE COMPETENCY, AND THE AWS MARKETPLACE

For organizations with complex legacy IT investments, extending backup targets to the AWS Cloud may require significant resource reallocations, budget changes, and training.

To help, the **AWS Partner Network (APN)** – the largest ecosystem of cloud service providers – recognizes Storage Competency Partners that can help deploy backup strategies that leverage AWS services and your existing IT investments and processes. All APN partners have validated their technical AWS expertise and proven customer success of their services and products. If your on-premises backup provider is already an APN member, you can work with them directly to enable built-in cloud connectors or deploy gateways that extend backup targets to the AWS Cloud. For customers looking for new capabilities, the APN can help narrow down the list of providers that best fit your requirements and then you can explore their solutions on the **AWS Marketplace**.

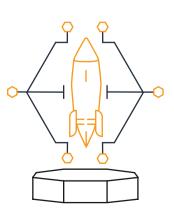
The AWS Marketplace is a digital catalog offering 3,500+ software listings from 1,100+ independent software vendors recognized by the APN for AWS expertise and proven customer success. Find, buy, and start using backup solutions today.

Whether you're extending on-premises backup targets to the cloud or creating cloud-native processes, working with an APN backup provider and the AWS Marketplace offers these benefits:

LEVERAGING BUILT-IN CAPABILITIES



EASING THE CONSTRAINTS OF DEPLOYMENT



HOW TO GET STARTED

BUILT-IN CLOUD CONNECTORS

Take a look at your incumbent capabilities. There may be built-in cloud connectors that can be enabled to start sending backups to the AWS Cloud for durable and secure storage.

AWS STORAGE GATEWAY

Try AWS Storage
Gateway for free
to extend your
on-premises
environment to the
AWS Cloud. The
service is easy to use
and can be deployed
in a few steps.

AWS BACKUP

Sign in to your AWS account, launch the AWS Backup console, create a backup plan, and assign AWS resources - EBS volumes, RDS databases, DynamoDB tables, EFS file systems, and AWS Storage Gateway volumes.

AWS MARKETPLACE

Explore the AWS

Marketplace for
familiar and new
backup providers. Find
a solution provider who
can best accommodate
your needs and begin
backing up to the AWS
Cloud today!

VISIT US

For more information about AWS services or to contact one of our sales representatives, visit us at http://aws.amazon.com/backup-restore.

In addition to service and solution overviews, we also provide hands-on tutorials, tech talks, upcoming events, and technical whitepapers to help you evolve your current backup capabilities into comprehensive solutions that durably and securely protect your data and your organization.

