

Cloud cost management

Managed Cloud

Keep your cloud costs in check

- Report spend by cost centre
- Never exceed Cloud budget again
- Identify vulnerabilities and remediate
- Manage & reduce cloud costs
- Build a culture of financial accountability
- Ensure financial accountability against budgets

Product Overview

Companies look to the public cloud to improve agility, flexibility, and innovation. Cloud platforms offer a consumptive based billing model with the ability to add additional resource on demand. This leaves organisations with the almost impossible task of ensuring costs don't spiral out of control. It's no wonder then that 80% of companies will overshoot their Cloud IaaS budget.

The three pillars of an effective Cloud Strategy are Operations, Security & Compliance and Cost Management. Cloud Cost

Management is an ongoing discipline that determines cloud budgets and enforces a cost-conscious culture. However, Cloud Cost Management isn't a one-time exercise — it's a continuous process. With the ever-changing nature of cloud, the goal of Cloud Cost Management is to continuously optimise and align cloud investments to strategic business initiatives.

Cloud Cost Management entails three areas of excellence, namely:



VISIBILITY

Realtime visibility on costs are vital as well as alerting on potential budget overruns.



OPTIMISATION

Optimise costs, mitigate risks, and increase operational efficiencies.



COST GOVERNANCE

Realtime and proactive Cost Management to ensure budgets are never exceeded.

Cloud Cost Management Suite

Vox offers a suite of software and services to ensure your Cloud Strategy doesn't break your budget.

Software

Managing your cloud cost starts with having the right visibility and tooling to control your budget. Powered by CloudHealth software from VMware, it offers simplified financial management, streamlined operations and strong security and compliance. Once installed, most customers average a 25% saving on their cloud spend.

We connect to most hyperscale clouds such as Microsoft Azure, Amazon Web Services and Google Cloud Platform to give accurate cost analysis and management across multiple clouds. Predictive alerting means you will be notified of a major cost before getting a shock on your bill.

Features

- Create custom reports and dashboards broken down by project, team, department, or business unit.
- View detailed cost and usage reports.
- Accurate forecasting and capacity planning.
- View real-time monthly spend.
- Build custom policies and workflows to maintain hands-off control over cloud usage.

- Gain insights into policy violations to understand risk severity.
- Manage your Multi-cloud discounts throughout their entire lifecycle to maximise savings.
- Use data to improve performance and reduce wasted spend.
- Govern cloud security, monitor open violations, and track remediation efforts in real-time.

Software + Advisory

Whilst having access to the right information is a positive start, without the skills and experience to act on it, Cost Management will never be a reality. Our advisory team turns information into meaningful action points. A dedicated specialist from our Cloud advisory team will engage with you on a monthly basis to work over your cloud estate and advise you on any optimisation's based on performance metrics. These sessions will advise you on key aspects to improve and efficiently use your environment, to enhance security and drive down costs.

Based on a 5-pillar framework (Security, Reliability, Performance, Operational Excellence, Cost) your environment is reviewed, adjusted, and optimised, ensuring that you only pay for what you use. The Cloud advisory team will advise you on security optimisations' and alerts based on the CIS guidelines and standards, this ensures that your cloud is secure and complies to governance frameworks.



Cloud Cost Management

Cloud Cost Management is a process of ensuring you never exceed your cloud budget again. We identify opportunities to reduce spend by making sure that you control the provisioning of services, optimise costs, remediate security risks, and streamline

your environment so that you can get back to the reasons you adopted the public cloud in the first place. **Vox guarantees that you will never exceed your cloud budget unless you plan to do so.**

	Software	Software + Advisory	Cloud Cost Management
Cloud Cost Management Software	✓	✓	✓
Monthly cost, security and governance review	✗	✓	✓
Cloud governance with budget guarantees and penalties	✗	✗	✓

About Vox

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