

# Terraform

## Introduction to Terraform

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Terraform follows a 4-step workflow:

- 1 Write – Define infrastructure using .tf files (HCL).
- 2 Plan – Preview what changes Terraform will make.
- 3 Apply – Deploy and create the infrastructure.
- 4 Destroy – Remove infrastructure when no longer needed using `.tf` files (HCL).

<https://registry.terraform.io/providers/hashicorp/aws/latest/docs>

```
terraform {  
  required_providers {  
    aws = {  
      source = "hashicorp/aws"
```

```
        version = "5.92.0"
    }
}
}
provider "aws" {
    # Configuration options
    region = "us-east-1"
}
resource "aws_vpc" "myvpc" {
    cidr_block    = "10.0.0.0/16"

    tags = {
        Name = "demovpc"
    }
}
resource "aws_subnet" "pubsub" {
    vpc_id    = aws_vpc.myvpc.id
    cidr_block = "10.0.1.0/24"
    availability_zone = "us-east-1a"

    tags = {
        Name = "sn1"
    }
}
```

```
resource "aws_subnet" "pubsub" {  
  vpc_id    = aws_vpc.myvpc.id  
  cidr_block = "10.0.2.0/24"  
  availability_zone = "us-east-1b"  
  tags = {  
    Name = "sn2"  
  }  
}
```

```
resource "aws_subnet" "prisub" {  
  vpc_id    = aws_vpc.myvpc.id  
  cidr_block = "10.0.3.0/24"  
  availability_zone = "us-east-1a"  
  
  tags = {  
    Name = "sn3"  
  }  
}
```

```
resource "aws_subnet" "prisub" {  
  vpc_id    = aws_vpc.myvpc.id  
  cidr_block = "10.0.4.0/24"  
  availability_zone = "us-east-1b"  
  
  tags = {  
    Name = "sn4"
```

```

    }
}

resource "aws_internet_gateway" "tfigw" {

    vpc_id = aws_vpc.myvpc.id


    tags = {

        Name = "tfigw"

    }
}

resource "aws_route_table" "tfpubrt" {

    vpc_id = aws_vpc.myvpc.id


    route {

        cidr_block = "0.0.0.0/0"

        gateway_id = aws_internet_gateway.tfigw.id

    }


    tags = {

        Name = "tfpublicroute"

    }
}

resource "aws_route_table_association" "pubsn1" {

    subnet_id      = aws_subnet.pubsub.id

    route_table_id = aws_route_table.tfpubrt.id

```

```
}

resource "aws_route_table_association" "pubsn2" {

    subnet_id    = aws_subnet.pub_sub.id

    route_table_id = aws_route_table.tfpubrt.id

}

resource "aws_eip" "tfeip" {

    domain = "vpc"

}

resource "aws_nat_gateway" "tfnat" {

    allocation_id = aws_eip.tfeip.id

    subnet_id    = aws_subnet.pub_sub.id


    tags = {

        Name = "gw NAT"

    }

}

resource "aws_route_table" "tfprint" {

    vpc_id = aws_vpc.myvpc.id


    route {

        cidr_block = "0.0.0.0/0"

        gateway_id = aws_nat_gateway.tfnat.id

    }

}
```

```

tags = {
    Name = "tfprivateroute"
}
}

resource "aws_route_table_association" "prisn3" {
    subnet_id    = aws_subnet.prisub.id
    route_table_id = aws_route_table.tfprirt.id
}

resource "aws_route_table_association" "prisn4" {
    subnet_id    = aws_subnet.pri_sub.id
    route_table_id = aws_route_table.tfprirt.id
}

resource "aws_security_group" "allow_tfsg" {
    name      = "allow_tfsg"
    description = "Allow TLS inbound traffic"
    vpc_id    = aws_vpc.myvpc.id

    ingress {
        description    = "HTTPS "
        from_port      = 443
        to_port        = 443
        protocol        = "tcp"
        cidr_blocks     = ["0.0.0.0/0"]
    }
}

```

```
ingress {  
  description    = "HTTP "  
  from_port     = 80  
  to_port       = 80  
  protocol      = "tcp"  
  cidr_blocks   = ["0.0.0.0/0"]  
}
```

```
ingress {  
  description    = "SSH"  
  from_port     = 22  
  to_port       = 22  
  protocol      = "tcp"  
  cidr_blocks   = ["0.0.0.0/0"]  
}
```

```
egress {  
  from_port     = 0  
  to_port       = 0  
  protocol      = "-1"  
  cidr_blocks   = ["0.0.0.0/0"]  
}
```

```
tags = {  
  Name = "TfsecurityGroup"
```



```
}  
}  
  
resource "aws_instance" "pub_ins" {  
  
    ami                = "ami-0fc5d935ebf8bc3bc"  
  
    instance_type      = "t2.micro"  
  
    subnet_id          = aws_subnet.pub_sub.id  
  
    vpc_security_group_ids = [aws_security_group.allow_tfsg.id]  
  
    key_name            = "David"  
  
    associate_public_ip_address = "true"  
  
}  
  
resource "aws_instance" "pri_ins" {  
  
    ami                = "ami-0fc5d935ebf8bc3bc"  
  
    instance_type      = "t2.micro"  
  
    subnet_id          = aws_subnet.prisub.id  
  
    vpc_security_group_ids = [aws_security_group.allow_tfsg.id]  
  
    key_name            = "David"  
  
}
```

```
# terraform init
```

```
# terraform validate
```

```
# terraform plan
```

```
# terraform apply
```

```
# terraform destroy
```



# the essential Terraform Cheatsheet

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## general commands

get the terraform version  
terraform version

download and update root modules  
terraform get -update=true

open up a terraform interactive terminal  
terraform console

create a dot diagram of terraform dependencies  
terraform graph | dot -Tpng > graph.png

format terraform code to HCL standards  
terraform fmt

validate terraform code syntax  
terraform validate

enable tab auto-completion in the terminal  
terraform -install-autocomplete

show information about provider requirements  
terraform providers

login and logout of terraform cloud  
terraform login and terraform logout

## workspaces

list the available workspaces  
terraform workspace list

create a new workspace  
terraform workspace new development

select an existing workspace  
terraform workspace select default

## initialize terraform

initialize terraform in the current working directory  
terraform init

skip plugin installation  
terraform init -get-plugins=false

force plugin installation from a directory  
terraform init -plugin-dir=PATH

upgrade modules and plugins at initialization  
terraform init -upgrade

update backend configuration  
terraform init -migrate-state -force-copy

skip backend configuration  
terraform init -backend=false

use a local backend configuration  
terraform init -backend-config=FILE

change state lock timeout (default is zero seconds)  
terraform init -lock-timeout=120s

## plan terraform

produce a plan with diff between code and state  
terraform plan

output a plan file for reference during apply  
terraform plan -out current.tfplan

output a plan to show effect of terraform destroy  
terraform plan -destroy

target a specific resource for deployment  
terraform plan -target=ADDRESS

*note that the -target option is also available for the terraform apply and terraform destroy commands.*

## outputs

list available outputs  
terraform output

output a specific value  
terraform output NAME

## apply terraform

apply the current state of terraform code  
terraform apply

specify a previously generated plan to apply  
terraform apply current.tfplan

enable auto-approval or automation  
terraform apply -auto-approve

## destroy terraform

destroy resources managed by terraform state  
terraform destroy

enable auto-approval or automation  
terraform destroy -auto-approve

## manage terraform state

list all resources in terraform state  
terraform state list

show details about a specific resource  
terraform state show ADDRESS

track an existing resource in state under new name  
terraform state mv SOURCE DESTINATION

import a manually created resource into state  
terraform state import ADDRESS ID

pull state and save to a local file  
terraform state pull > terraform.tfstate

push state to a remote location  
terraform state push PATH

replace a resource provider  
terraform state replace-provider A B

taint a resource to force redeployment on apply  
terraform taint ADDRESS

untaint a previously tainted resource  
terraform untaint ADDRESS

Version 1 <https://justinoconnor.codes>