TCO Calcu & Billing

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What is the TCO Calculator?

Total Cost of Ownership (TCO) Calculator:

- (1) The TCO calculator is free tool provided by AWS that allows you to estimate the cost savings of using the AWS Cloud vs. using an on-premisis data center.
- **(2)** By showing you how much you can save by using AWS, the calculator helps you reduce the Total Cost of Ownership (TCO) by avoiding large capital expenditures on I.T. hardware and infrastructure.
- (3) The TCO Calculator can also provide directional guidance on cost savings.
- (4) The TCO Calculator works by you inputting elements of your current/or theoretical on-premises data center, and comparing those cost requirements to how much it would cost in AWS.
- **(5)** Elements can be added/modified as you move through the process to best estimate the cost savings.

What is the Cost Explorer?

Cost Explorer:

- (1) The Cost Explorer is a free tool that allows you to view charts of your costs.
- (2) View cost data for the past 13 months.
- (3) Forecast how much you are likely to spend over the next three months.

- **(4)** Use the explorer to discover patterns in how much you spend on AWS resources over time and identify (cost) problem areas.
- **(5)** Identify which services you use the most, and/or metrics like which Availability Zones has the most traffic, or which linked AWS account is used the most.

Question 5:

What best describes the difference between the TCO Calculator and the Cost Explorer?

- The Cost Explorer is a price list for each AWS service; the TCO Calculator helps you calculate hourly EC2 Usage cost.
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- The Cost Explorer helps you calculate hourly EC2 Usage cost; the TCO Calculator is a price list for each AWS service.
- The TCO Calculator help you analyze current AWS usage charges; the Cost Explorer helps you estimate the cost savings of using AWS.