Feature	Application Load Balancer	Network Load Balancer	Classic Load Balancer
Protocols	HTTP, HTTPS	TCP, UDP, TLS	TCP, SSL/TLS, HTTP, HTTPS
Platforms	VPC	VPC	EC2-Classic, VPC
Health checks	v	✓	~
CloudWatch metrics	V	V	V
Logging	V	V	V
Zonal fail-over	~	~	~
Connection draining (deregistration delay)	V		✓
Load Balancing to multiple ports on the same instance	•	~	
IP addresses as targets	•	✓ (TCP, TLS)	
Load balancer deletion protection	V	V	
Configurable idle connection timeout	<i>V</i>		V
Cross-zone load balancing	V	✓	✓
Sticky sessions	V	V	V
Static IP		✓	

Elastic IP address		✓	
Preserve Source IP address		V	
Resource-based IAM Permissions	V	V	✓
Tag-based IAM permissions	V	✓	
Slow start	✓		
WebSockets	✓	✓	
PrivateLink Support		✓ (TCP, TLS)	
Source IP address CIDR-based routing	V		
		Layer 7	
Path-Based Routing	✓		
Host-Based Routing	V		
Native HTTP/2	✓		
Redirects	✓		
Fixed response	✓		
Lambda functions as targets	V		
HTTP header-based routing	✓		
HTTP method-based routing	V		
Query string parameter-based routing	~		
		Security	

SSL offloading	•	✓	✓
Server Name Indication (SNI)	✓	V	
Back-end server encryption	✓	✓	V
User authentication	V		

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