AWS Cost & Performance Pre-re:Invent Survey 2016

With infinite scale and ease of launching AWS instances, controlling and optimizing your AWS spend has become a non-trivial activity. In our effort to better understand how AWS users forecast and optimize their infrastructure spend, we ran a pre-re:Invent 2016 survey.

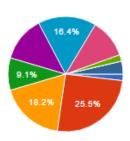
Here are a few highlights that we learned in our "AWS Cost & Optimization Pre-re:Invent Survey 2016"

- AWS spend month on month is increasing: 49% of respondents said their company spent over \$25,000 in monthly AWS expenses
- Usage of 3rd party tools to control cost: About 23% of the respondents are using 3rd party tools like Cloudability, Cloud Health, Cloudy etc.
- Increase in AWS cost management awareness: 60% of the respondents are open to trying out a solution that automates AWS cost and performance where they only pay on the savings



The details of the survey are presented below:

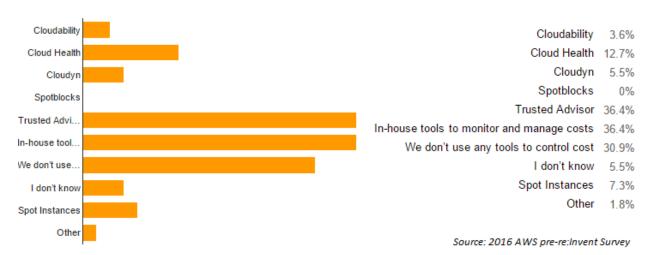
49% of respondents spend over \$25000 in monthly AWS expenses



| \$0 | 1.8% |
|---------------------|-------|
| \$1 to \$5,000 | 25.5% |
| \$5,000-\$25,000 | 18.2% |
| \$25,000-\$50,000 | 9.1% |
| \$50,000-\$100,000 | 12.7% |
| \$100,000-\$500,000 | 16.4% |
| >\$500,000 | 10.9% |
| I don't use AWS | 1.8% |
| I don't know | 0% |
| Other | 3.6% |

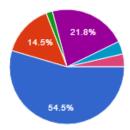
Source: 2016 AWS pre-re:Invent Survey

23% of respondents use third party services to monitor AWS costs





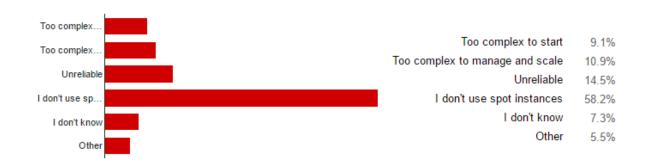
Only 2% of respondents have achieved more than 50% on AWS cost savings



| 0-25% | 54.5% |
|-----------------|-------|
| 25-50% | 14.5% |
| 50-75% | 0% |
| More than 75% | 1.8% |
| I don't know | 21.8% |
| I don't use AWS | 3.6% |
| Other | 3.6% |

Source: 2016 AWS pre-re:Invent Survey

90% of respondents do not use Spot as it is complex and unreliable



Source: 2016 AWS pre-re:Invent Survey



60% of respondents want to use an automated solution to save on AWS costs



Source: 2016 AWS pre-re:Invent Survey

