

QATIP Intermediate

AWS Lab08

Deploy SQL Server on AWS

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Overview

This lab will guide you through deploying an AWS EC2 instance running SQL Server 2022 Standard using Terraform. You will be provided with a skeleton Terraform file and must complete the missing sections following the outlined steps.

By the end of this lab, you will:

- Define and configure an AWS Virtual Private Cloud (VPC).

- Create a subnet for the EC2 instance.
- Assign an Elastic IP and configure networking.
- Deploy a Windows-based EC2 instance with SQL Server 2022 Standard Edition.
- Implement security rules to allow RDP and SQL access.
- Upload and restore a sample database backup (demo.bak).
- Output the public IP of the deployed instance.

Before you begin

Ensure you have completed Lab0 before attempting this lab.

In the IDE terminal pane, enter the following command...

```
cd /aws-tf-int/labs/08
```

This shifts your current working directory to labs/08. Ensure all commands are executed in this directory

Close any open files and use the Explorer pane to navigate to and open the labs/08 folder.

Solution

There are no step-by-step instructions for this lab. A solution can be at /aws-tf-int/labs/solutions/08 but try to use this only as a last resort if you are struggling to complete the steps outlined below.

Reference Documentation

[Terraform AWS Provider Documentation](#)

[AWS EC2 Documentation](#)

[SQL Server on AWS](#)

Scenario

You are a cloud engineer setting up a **SQL Server 2022 Standard** instance on AWS. The company requires a cost-effective solution using a small EC2 instance while ensuring secure access via RDP and SQL ports.

Your goal is to:

- Define AWS infrastructure components in Terraform.
- Deploy a Windows-based EC2 instance with **SQL Server 2022 Standard Edition**.
- Configure security groups to allow controlled access.
- Upload and restore a sample database backup (demo.bak).
- Extract and display the public IP of the EC2 instance.

Instructions

You are provided with a partial Terraform script that includes only the **Provider** block in `/aws-tf-in/labs/09`. Your task is to complete the missing sections.

Step 1: VPC and Subnet

Create a **VPC** (aws_vpc) named vpc-sql with CIDR block 10.0.0.0/16.

Create a **Subnet** (aws_subnet) named subnet-sql with CIDR block 10.0.1.0/24.

Step 2: Elastic IP and Network Interface

Create an **Elastic IP** (aws_eip) named sql-eip.

Create an **Elastic Network Interface (ENI)** (aws_network_interface) named sql-eni.

Associate the **Elastic IP** with the **Network Interface**.

Step 3: EC2 Instance

Create an **EC2 instance** (aws_instance) named sql-server-ec2.

Use **Windows Server 2022 with SQL Server 2022 Standard**:

AMI ID: Use an AMI specific to your AWS region.

Instance Type: t3.medium.

Root Volume: 32GB with **gp3** storage type.

Security Group: Associate the EC2 instance with the security group created in Step 4.

Set administrator credentials:

Username: adminuser

Password: your_choice

Step 4: Security Groups

Create a **Security Group** (aws_security_group) named sql-sg.

Add inbound rules to allow:

RDP (port 3389) from any IP.

SQL Server (port 1433) from any IP.

Attach this security group to the EC2 instance.

Step 5: Output the Public IP Address

Modify the **output** block in Terraform to display the **public IP** of the instance.

Step 6: Deploy the Resources

Run the following commands to deploy the infrastructure:

terraform init

terraform apply -auto-approve

Step 7: Upload and Restore Database Backup

Retrieve the **Public IP** from Terraform output.

Use **RDP** to connect to the EC2 instance:

Open **Remote Desktop (mstsc.exe)**.

Enable **Local Drives** access.

Enter the **Public IP** and log in using adminuser credentials.

Copy demo.bak from your local machine to C:\Backup\demo.bak on the EC2 instance.

Restore the **Bank** database using SQLCMD or **SQL Server Management Studio (SSMS)**:

```
RESTORE DATABASE Bank
FROM DISK = 'C:\backup\demo.bak'
WITH
    MOVE 'Bank' TO 'C:\Program Files\Microsoft SQL
Server\MSSQL16.MSSQLSERVER\MSSQL\DATA\Bank.mdf',
    MOVE 'Bank_log' TO 'C:\Program Files\Microsoft SQL
Server\MSSQL16.MSSQLSERVER\MSSQL\DATA\Bank.ldf',
    REPLACE,
    RECOVERY,
    STATS = 10;
```

Step 8: Lab Cleanup

To remove all deployed resources by running **terraform destroy -auto-approve**

Congratulations! You have completed this lab.