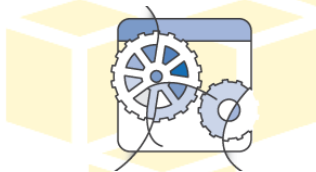# AWS Certifications [Associates & Professional]

Associate Level Certifications:

- **AWS Certified Solutions Architect – Associate:** Your technical expertise in designing and deploying scalable, highly available, and fault tolerant systems on AWS.

- **AWS Certified SysOps Administrator – Associate:** Your technical expertise in deployment, management, and operations on the AWS platform.

- **AWS Certified Developer – Associate:** Your technical expertise in developing and maintaining applications on the AWS platform.

Professional Level Certifications:

- **AWS Certified Solutions Architect - Professional:** Your advanced technical skills and experience in designing distributed applications and systems on the AWS platform.

- **AWS Certified DevOps Engineer - Professional:** Your technical expertise in provisioning, operating, and managing distributed application systems on the AWS platform.

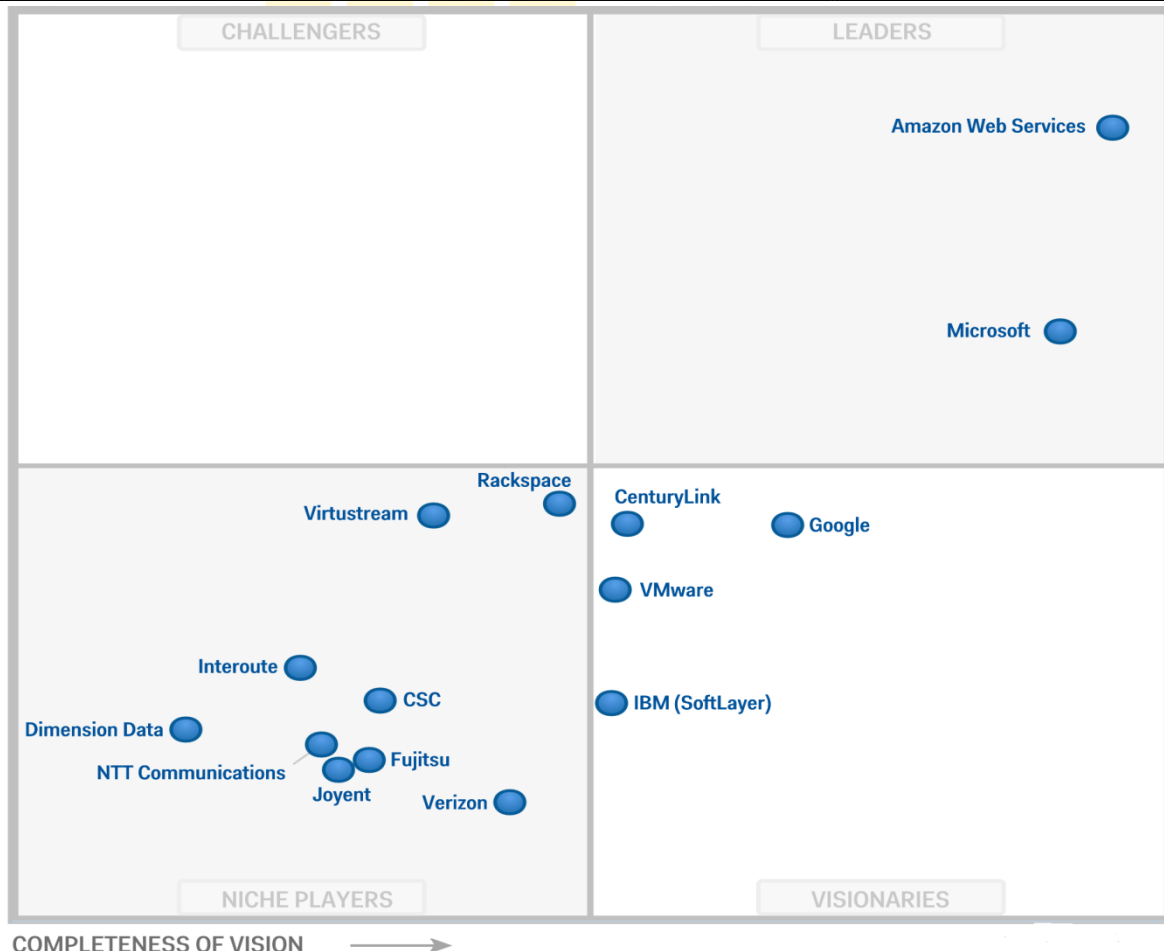| Solutions Architect	Developer	SysOps Administrator
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Certification	**Annual Salary**
Amazon Web Services Certified Solutions Architect – Associate	$125,871
Certified in Risk and Information Systems Control (CRISC)	$122,954
Certified Information Security Manager (CISM)	$122,291
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Project Management Professional (PMP®)	$116,094
Certified Information Systems Auditor (CISA)	$113,320
Cisco Certified Internetwork Expert (CCIE) Routing and Switching	$112,858
Cisco Certified Network Associate (CCNA) Data Center	$107,045
Cisco Certified Design Professional (CCDP)	$105,008
Certified Ethical Hacker (CEH)	$103,297
Six Sigma Green Belt	$102,594
Citrix Certified Professional – Virtualization (CCP-V)	$102,138
Cisco Certified Networking Professional (CCNP) Security	$101,414
ITIL® v3 Foundation	$99,869
VMware Certified Professional 5 – Data Center Virtualization (VCP5-DCV)	$99,334

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