# Manage costs and billing for your Azure resources

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Cost control is critical to maximize the value of your cloud investment. Use the following sections to learn how to manage costs for your Azure resources.

## Manage your costs with Azure Cost Management

Azure provides a few ways to help you predict and manage costs:

- Analyze cloud costs helps you explore and analyze your costs. You can view aggregated cost for your account or view accumulated costs over time.
- Monitor with budgets allows you to create a budget and then configure alerts to warn you when you are close to exceeding it.
- Optimize with recommendations helps identify idle and underused resources so you can take action to reduce waste.
- Manage invoices and payments gives you visibility to your cloud investment.

#### **Predict and manage costs**

- 1. Go to Cost Management + Billing.
- 2. Select Cost Management.
- 3. Explore the features that help to analyze and optimize cloud costs.

### Manage invoices and payment methods

- 1. Go to Cost Management + Billing.
- 2. Select **Invoices** or **Payment methods** from the **Billing** section in the left pane.

### Billing and subscription support

We offer 24x7 access for billing and subscription support to Azure customers. If you need assistance to understand Azure usage, create a support request.

#### Create a support request

To submit a new support request:

- 1. Go to Help + Support.
- 2. Select New support request.

#### View a support request

To view your support requests and their status:

- 1. Go to Help + Support
- 2. Select **All support requests**.

## Learn more

To learn more, see <u>Azure billing and cost management documentation</u>