

# AWS Certified Solutions Architect - Associate



The **AWS Certified Solutions Architect - Associate** exam is intended for individuals who perform a solutions architect role and have one or more years of experience designing available, cost-efficient, fault-tolerant, and scalable distributed systems on AWS.

## Earning this certification shows:

- Knowledge of how to architect and deploy secure and robust applications on AWS technologies
- Ability to define a solution using architectural design principles based on customer requirements
- Ability to provide implementation guidance based on best practices throughout the life cycle of the project

## AWS preparation resources:

- AWS training for architecting
- AWS exam readiness training
- Whitepapers and technical documentation
- Sample questions
- Practice exam

## Learn more:

Get the official exam guide and sample questions on our website. When you're ready, you can take the exam from home or at a testing center.

[Learn more](#)



### EXAM FORMAT

65 questions; multiple choice, multiple answer

### DELIVERY METHOD

Testing center or online proctored exam

### TIME TO COMPLETE

130 minutes

### PASSING SCORE

720

### EXAM COST

150 USD

### PRACTICE EXAM COST

20 USD

### EXAM LANGUAGES

Available in English, Japanese, Korean, and Simplified Chinese



## Exam content outline:

- **Domain 1:** Design Resilient Architectures (30%)
- **Domain 2:** Design High-Performing Architectures (28%)
- **Domain 3:** Design Secure Applications and Architectures (24%)
- **Domain 4:** Design Cost-Optimized Architectures (18%)

## Response types:

- **Multiple choice:** Has one correct response and three incorrect responses (distractors)
- **Multiple response:** Has two correct responses out of five response options

## AWS Certification benefits:

Once you are AWS Certified, you can take advantage of the following benefits:



### DIGITAL BADGES

Showcase your AWS Certification achievement with digital badges on your social media and email signatures.



### EXAM DISCOUNT

Get access to a 50% discount voucher to apply toward recertification or any other exam.



### PRACTICE EXAMS

Prepare for your next AWS Certification with a voucher that qualifies you for a free practice exam.



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## What is the value of employing AWS Certified staff?

According to research by Enterprise Strategy Group (ESG)<sup>1</sup>, employing AWS Certified staff can provide operational advantages and drive innovation. Here's what IT decision makers at organizations with AWS Certified staff said:

- 91% said having AWS Certified staff increases innovation with AWS services.
- 86% said having AWS Certified staff improved the security of cloud workloads.
- 89% report faster troubleshooting, and 85% say they achieve faster deployment times.

<sup>1</sup> ESG Research Insights Paper Commissioned by AWS, [Understanding the Value of AWS Certifications to Organizations](#), October 2020.