Cloud Cost Optimisation: A Primer (or: Shift-left on Cloud Spend)

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Let's talk about... The Cloud

Public cloud market

	Revenue (USD)	Market Share (%)	YoY Growth (%)
Amazon Web Services	26.20B	40.8	28.7
Microsoft Azure	12.69B	19.7	59.2
Alibaba Cloud	6.12B	9.5	52.8
Google Cloud Platform	3.93B	6.1	202.8
Others	15.34B	24	25.6

Source: gtnr.it/3B9xxhE

Real money is getting spent

SG4B
Annual spend

4106
Annual growth

Real money is getting wasted

\$64B
Annual spend

\$17B
Annual waste

Real money is getting wasted

"Between idle and over provisioned resources alone, that's \$17.6B in cloud spend that will be completely wasted this year. And the potential is even higher [...]

That's a minimum of about \$5M wasted per day, every day this year, that could be reallocated toward other areas of the business."



Source: flexera.com/blog/cloud/cloud-computing-trends-2021-state-of-the-cloud-report

Side-effects of cloud waste

- Reduced productivity

- Increased risk

- Resource misallocation

Wasted cloud spend

is a vampire that is

making your

organisation weaker.

Let's talk about... Opportunity

Shift-left on cloud spend

- Availability of billing minutiae
- Billing data is just that: data
- Programmatic access to that data
- The data is metrics!
- This is absolutely our wheelhouse

Yeah but why though?

- Get involved in product discussions
- Bring insight to business decisions
- Literally generate new value
- Level-up your career



...yeah you probably saw that one coming;)



