AWS Amplify Hosting
User Guide
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Welcome to AWS Amplify Hosting

AWS Amplify is a set of purpose-built tools and features that enables frontend web and mobile developers to quickly and easily build full-stack applications on AWS. Amplify provides two services: Amplify Hosting and Amplify Studio. Amplify Hosting provides a git-based workflow for hosting full-stack serverless web apps with continuous deployment. This user guide provides the information you need to get started with Amplify Hosting.

Amplify Hosting features

- Amplify Hosting supports the common SPA frameworks, for example, React, Angular, Vue.js, Ionic, and Ember, as well as static site generators like Gatsby, Eleventy, Hugo, VuePress, and Jekyll.
- Manage production and staging environments for your frontend and backend by connecting new branches. See, feature branch deployments (p. 55).
- Connect your application to a custom domain. See, set up custom domains (p. 28).
- Deploy and host SSR web apps (p. 13) created using the Next.js framework.
- Preview changes during code reviews by setting up pull request previews (p. 76).
- Improve your app quality with end to end tests. See, end-to-end testing (p. 79).
- Password protect your web app so you can work on new features without making them publicly accessible. See, restricting access (p. 88).
- Set up rewrites and redirects to maintain SEO rankings and route traffic based on your client app requirements. See, using redirects (p. 82).
- Instant cache invalidations ensure your app is updated instantly on every code commit.
- Atomic deployments eliminate maintenance windows by ensuring that the web app is updated only after the entire deployment finishes. This eliminates scenarios where files fail to upload properly.
- Get screen shots of your app rendered on different mobile devices to identify layout issues.

Getting started with Amplify Hosting

To get started with Amplify's hosting features, see the Getting started with existing code (p. 3) tutorial. After completing the tutorial, you will be able to connect your git repository (GitHub, BitBucket Cloud, GitLab, and AWS CodeCommit) to set up continuous deployment. Alternatively, you can get started with one of the fullstack continuous deployment samples (p. 9).

Amplify Studio

You can access Amplify Studio from the AWS Amplify console in the AWS Management Console. Amplify Studio is a visual development environment that simplifies the creation of scalable, full-stack web and mobile apps. Use Studio to build your frontend UI with a set of ready-to-use UI components, create an app backend, and then connect the two together. See the user guide for Amplify Studio in the Amplify docs.

Amplify Studio features

- Visual data modeling enables you to focus on your domain-specific objects instead of cloud infrastructure.
• Set up authentication for your app.
• Powerful and easy to understand authorization.
• Infrastructure-as-code configures all backend capabilities with AWS CloudFormation.
• Works with the Amplify Command Line Interface (CLI). All updates you make in Studio can be pulled into the CLI.
• Invite users via email to configure and manage the backend. These users will also be able to log in to the Amplify CLI with their email.
• Content management with markdown support.
• Manage users and groups for your app.
• Use Studio's visual designer to build frontend UI components. Choose from dozens of designs in the pre-built UI component library.
• Import Figma prototypes built by designers into Studio as React code.
• Customize your frontend UI with themes to apply global styles to your app's components.
• Configure and test your UI components directly within Studio to see how they update and display data.
• Bind your cloud-connected backend to your frontend UI in a few simple steps.

Getting started with Amplify Studio

You don't need an AWS account to get started using Studio to create a backend. Without an AWS account, you can begin modeling data for your backend locally.

With an AWS account, you have access to an expanded set of Studio features for managing your backend environment as well as the visual designer for creating frontend UI components that you can connect to your app's backend. For more information, see Getting started in the Amplify docs.

Modern SPA web applications

This user guide is intended for customers who have a basic understanding of modern single-page web applications (SPA). Modern web applications are constructed as SPAs that package all application components into static files. Traditional client-server web architectures led to poor experiences; every button click or search required a round trip to the server, re-rendering the entire application. Modern web apps offer a native app-like user experience by serving the app frontend, or user interface, efficiently to browsers as prebuilt HTML/JavaScript files that can then invoke backend functionality without reloading the page.

A modern web application's functionality is often spread across multiple places, such as databases, authentication services, frontend code running in the browser, and backend business logic, or AWS Lambda functions, running in the cloud. This makes application deployments complex and time-consuming as developers need to carefully coordinate deployments across the frontend and backend to avoid partial or failed deployments. Amplify simplifies deployment of the frontend and backend in a single workflow.
Getting started with existing code

In this walkthrough, you learn how to continuously build, deploy, and host a modern web app. Modern web apps include single-page application (SPA) frameworks (for example, React, Angular, or Vue) and static-site generators (SSGs) (for example, Hugo, Jekyll, or Gatsby). Amplify Hosting also supports web apps that use server-side rendering (SSR) and are created using Next.js.

To get started, sign in to the Amplify console. If you are starting from the AWS Amplify home page, choose Get Started at the top of the page.
If you are starting from the All apps page, choose New app, then Host web app in the upper right corner.

**Step 1: Connect a repository**

Connect your GitHub, Bitbucket, GitLab, or AWS CodeCommit repository. You also have the option of manually uploading your build artifacts without connecting a Git repository. For more information, see Manual Deploys (p. 69).

**Get started with Amplify Hosting**

Amplify Hosting is a fully managed hosting service for web apps. Connect your repository to build, deploy, and host your web app.

**From your existing code**

Connect your source code from a Git repository or upload files to host a web app in minutes.

- [GitHub](#)
- [Bitbucket](#)
- [GitLab](#)
- [AWS CodeCommit](#)
- [Deploy without Git provider](#)

After you authorize the Amplify console with Bitbucket, GitLab, or AWS CodeCommit, Amplify fetches an access token from the repository provider, but it doesn't store the token on the AWS servers. Amplify accesses your repository using deploy keys installed in a specific repository only.

For GitHub repositories, Amplify now uses the GitHub Apps feature to authorize Amplify access. With the Amplify GitHub App, permissions are more fine-tuned, enabling you to grant Amplify access to only the repositories that you specify. For more information about installing and authorizing the GitHub App, see Setting up Amplify access to GitHub repositories (p. 72).
After you connect the repository service provider, choose a repository, and then choose a corresponding branch to build and deploy.

Add repository branch

GitHub

GitHub authorization was successful.

Repository service provider

GitHub

Recently updated repositories

If you don't see your repository below, please push a commit and then click the refresh button.

Repository /studioapp-1

Branch

Select a branch from your repository.

main

Connecting a monorepo? Pick a folder.

Step 2a: Confirm build settings for the front end

For the selected branch, Amplify inspects your repository to automatically detect the sequence of build commands to run.

Important: Verify that the build commands and build output directory (that is, artifacts > baseDirectory) is accurate. If you need to modify this information, choose Edit to open the YML editor. You can save your build settings on our servers, or you can download the YML and add it to the root of your repo (for monorepos, store the YML at the app's root directory).
Step 2b: Confirm build settings for the backend

If you connected a repository provisioned by the Amplify CLI v1.0+ (run `amplify -v` to find CLI version), Amplify Hosting will deploy or automatically update backend resources (any resource provisioned by the Amplify CLI) in a single workflow with the frontend build. You can choose to point an existing backend environment to your branch, or create a completely new environment. For a step-by-step tutorial, see Getting started with fullstack deployments (p. 9).

To deploy backend functionality using the Amplify CLI during your build, create or reuse an AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) service role. IAM roles are a secure way to grant Amplify permissions to act on resources in your account. For detailed instructions, see Adding a service role (p. 112).

**Note:** The Amplify CLI won't run without an IAM service role enabled.
Step 2c: Add environment variables (optional)

Almost every app needs to get configuration information at runtime. These configurations can be database connection details, API keys, or different parameters. Environment variables provide a means to expose these configurations at build time.

Step 3: Save and deploy

Review all of your settings to ensure everything is set up correctly. Choose Save and deploy to deploy your web app to the AWS global content delivery network (CDN). Your front end build typically takes 1 to 2 minutes but can vary based on the size of the app.

Access the build logs screen by choosing a progress indicator in the branch section. A build has the following stages:

1. **Provision** - Your build environment is set up using a Docker image on a host with 4 vCPU, 7GB memory. Each build gets its own host instance, ensuring that all resources are securely isolated. The contents of the Docker file are displayed to ensure that the default image supports your requirements.

2. **Build** - The build phase consists of three stages: setup (clones repository into container), deploy backend (runs the Amplify CLI to deploy backend resources), and build front end (builds your front-end artifacts).

3. **Deploy** - When the build is complete, all artifacts are deployed to a hosting environment managed by Amplify Hosting. You can view your app on the amplifyapp.com domain. Every deployment is atomic - atomic deployments eliminate maintenance windows by ensuring that the web app is only updated after the entire deployment has completed.
Note
To augment the security of your Amplify applications, the amplifyapp.com domain is registered in the Public Suffix List (PSL). For further security, we recommend that you use cookies with a __Host- prefix if you ever need to set sensitive cookies in the default domain name for your Amplify applications. This practice will help to defend your domain against cross-site request forgery attempts (CSRF). For more information see the Set-Cookie page in the Mozilla Developer Network.

Next steps

- Add a custom domain to your app (p. 28)
- Manage multiple environments (p. 55)
- Preview pull requests before merging (p. 76)
Getting started with fullstack continuous deployments

Amplify Hosting enables developers building apps with the Amplify Framework to continuously deploy updates to their backend and frontend on every code commit. With Amplify Hosting, you can deploy serverless backends with GraphQL/REST APIs, authentication, analytics, and storage, created using Amplify Studio, on the same commit as your frontend code.

In this tutorial, you will set up a fullstack CI/CD workflow with Amplify. You will deploy a frontend app to Amplify Hosting. Then you will create a backend using Amplify Studio. Finally, you will connect the cloud backend to the frontend app.

Topics

• Prerequisites (p. 9)
• Step 1: Deploy a frontend (p. 9)
• Step 2: Create a backend (p. 10)
• Step 3: Connect the backend to the frontend (p. 11)
• Next steps (p. 12)

Prerequisites

Before starting this tutorial, you will need to do the following:

• Sign up for an AWS account. Open https://portal.aws.amazon.com/billing/signup#/start/email to get started.
• Create an account with a git repository provider, such as GitHub, Bitbucket, GitLab, or AWS CodeCommit.
• Install the Amplify Command Line Interface (CLI). For instructions, see Install the Amplify CLI in the Amplify Framework Documentation.

Step 1: Deploy a frontend

If you have an existing frontend app in a git repository that you want to use for this example, you can proceed to the instructions for deploying a frontend app.

If you need to create a new frontend app to use for this example, choose the following Deploy to Amplify Hosting button to deploy a Create React App starter app to your Amplify account.

Alternatively, you can follow the Create React App instructions in the Create React App documentation.

To deploy a frontend app

1. Sign in to the AWS Management Console and open the Amplify console.
2. On the All apps page, choose New app, then Host web app in the upper right corner.
3. Select your GitHub, Bitbucket, GitLab, or AWS CodeCommit repository provider and then choose Continue.
4. Amplify authorizes access to your git repository. For GitHub repositories, Amplify now uses the GitHub Apps feature to authorize Amplify access.
   For more information about installing and authorizing the GitHub App, see Setting up Amplify access to GitHub repositories (p. 72).
5. On the Add repository branch page do the following:
   a. In the Recently updated repositories list, select the name of the repository to connect.
   b. In the Branch list, select the name of the repository branch to connect.
   c. Choose Next.
7. On the Review page, choose Save and deploy. When the deployment is complete, you can view your app on the amplifyapp.com default domain.

Note
To augment the security of your Amplify applications, the amplifyapp.com domain is registered in the Public Suffix List (PSL). For further security, we recommend that you use cookies with a __Host- prefix if you ever need to set sensitive cookies in the default domain name for your Amplify applications. This practice will help to defend your domain against cross-site request forgery attempts (CSRF). For more information see the Set-Cookie page in the Mozilla Developer Network.

Step 2: Create a backend

Now that you have deployed a frontend app to Amplify Hosting, you can create a backend. Use the following instructions to create a backend with a simple database and GraphQL API endpoint.

To create a backend

1. Sign in to the AWS Management Console and open the Amplify console.
2. On the All apps page, select the app that you created in Step 1.
3. On the app homepage, choose the Backend environments tab, then choose Get started. This initiates the set up process for a default staging environment.
4. After the set up finishes, choose Launch Studio to access the staging backend environment in Amplify Studio.

Amplify Studio is a visual interface to create and manage your backend and accelerate your frontend UI development. For more information about Amplify Studio, see the Amplify Studio documentation.

Use the following instructions to create a simple database using the Amplify Studio visual backend builder interface.

Create a data model

1. On the home page for your app's staging environment, choose Create data model. This opens the data model designer.
2. On the Data modeling page, choose Add model.
3. For the title, enter Todo.
4. Choose **Add a field**.
5. For **Field name**, enter **Description**.

The following screenshot is an example of how your data model will look in the designer.

6. Choose **Save and Deploy**.
7. Return to the Amplify Hosting console and the **staging** environment deployment will be in progress.

During deployment, Amplify Studio creates all the required AWS resources in the backend, including an AWS AppSync GraphQL API to access data and an Amazon DynamoDB table to host the Todo items. Amplify uses AWS CloudFormation to deploy your backend, which enables you to store your backend definition as infrastructure-as-code.

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**Step 3: Connect the backend to the frontend**

Now that you have deployed a frontend and created a cloud backend that contains a data model, you need to connect them. Use the following instructions to pull your backend definition down to your local app project with the Amplify CLI.

**To connect a cloud backend to a local frontend**

1. Open a terminal window and navigate to the root directory of your local project.
2. Run the following command in the terminal window, replacing the red text with the unique app ID and backend environment name for your project.

   ```bash
   amplify pull --appId abcd1234 --envName staging
   ```

3. Follow the instructions in the terminal window to complete the project set up.

Now you can configure the build process to add the backend to the continuous deployment workflow. Use the following instructions to connect a frontend branch with a backend in the Amplify Hosting console.

**To connect a frontend app branch and cloud backend**

1. On the app homepage, choose the **Hosting environments** tab.
2. Locate the **main** branch and choose **Edit**.
3. In the **Edit target backend** window, for **Environment**, select the name of the backend to connect. In this example, choose the **staging** backend that you created in Step 2.

   By default, full-stack CI/CD is enabled. Uncheck this option to turn off full-stack CI/CD for this backend. Turning off full-stack CI/CD causes the app to run in **pull only** mode. At build time, Amplify will automatically generate the `aws-exports.js` file only, without modifying your backend environment.

4. Next, you must set up a service role to give Amplify the permissions it requires to make changes to your app backend. You can either use an existing service role or create a new one. For instructions, see [Adding a service role](#).

5. After adding a service role, return to the **Edit target backend** window and choose **Save**.

6. To finish connecting the **staging** backend to the **main** branch of the frontend app, perform a new build of your project.

   Do one of the following:
   - From your git repository, push some code to initiate a build in the Amplify console.
   - In the Amplify console, navigate to the app's build details page and choose **Redeploy this version**.

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**Next steps**

**Set up feature branch deployments**

Follow our recommended workflow to [set up feature branch deployments with multiple backend environments](#).

**Create a frontend UI in Amplify Studio**

Use Studio to build your frontend UI with a set of ready-to-use UI components, and then connect it to your app backend. For more information and tutorials, see the user guide for [Amplify Studio](#) in the [Amplify Framework Documentation](#).
Deploy server-side rendered apps with Amplify Hosting

You can use AWS Amplify to deploy and host web apps that use server-side rendering (SSR). Currently, Amplify Hosting supports apps created using the Next.js framework. When you deploy your app, Amplify automatically detects SSR—you do not have to perform any manual configuration in the AWS Management Console.

To learn about how Amplify supports SSR, review the following topics.

Topics
• What is server-side rendering (p. 13)
• Amplify support for Next.js SSR (p. 13)

What is server-side rendering

Previously, Amplify supported the deployment and hosting of static web apps only. These include apps created with single-page application (SPA) frameworks such as React, and apps created with a static site generator (SSG) such as Gatsby. Static web apps consist of a combination of files, such as HTML, CSS, and JavaScript files, that are stored on a content delivery network (CDN). When a client browser makes a request to the website, the server returns a page to the client with an HTTP response and the client browser interprets the content and displays it to the user.

Amplify now supports web apps with server-side rendering (SSR). When a client sends a request to an SSR page, the HTML for the page is created on the server on each request. SSR enables a developer to customize a website per request and per user. In addition, SSR can improve performance and search engine optimization (SEO) for a website.

Amplify support for Next.js SSR

Amplify supports deployment and hosting for server-side rendered (SSR) web apps created using Next.js only. Next.js is a React framework for developing SPAs with JavaScript. You can deploy apps built with Next.js 13 with features such as image and script optimization, Incremental Static Regeneration (ISR), and middleware.

Developers can use Next.js to combine static site generation (SSG), and SSR in a single project. SSG pages are prerendered at build time, and SSR pages are prerendered at request time.

Prerendering can improve performance and search engine optimization. Because Next.js prerenders all pages on the server, the HTML content of each page is ready when it reaches the client’s browser. This content can also load faster. Faster load times improve the end user’s experience with a website and positively impact the site’s SEO ranking. Prerendering also improves SEO by enabling search engine bots to find and crawl a website’s HTML content easily.

Next.js provides built-in analytics support for measuring various performance metrics, such as Time to first byte (TTFB) and First contentful paint (FCP). For more information about Next.js, see Getting started on the Next.js website.
Next.js feature support

Amplify Hosting compute fully manages server-side rendering (SSR) for apps built with Next.js 12 or later. If you deployed a Next.js app to Amplify prior to the release of Amplify Hosting compute, your app is using Amplify's previous SSR provider, Classic (Next.js 11 only). Amplify Hosting compute doesn't support apps created using Next.js version 11 or earlier. We strongly recommend that you migrate your Next.js 11 apps to the Amplify Hosting compute managed SSR provider.

The following list describes the specific features that the Amplify Hosting compute SSR provider supports.

**Supported features**

- Server-side rendered pages (SSR)
- Static pages
- API routes
- Dynamic routes
- Catch all routes
- SSG (Static generation)
- Incremental Static Regeneration (ISR)
- Internationalized (i18n) sub-path routing
- Internationalized (i18n) domain routing
- Middleware
- Environment variables
- Image optimization
- Next.js 13 app directory

**Unsupported features**

- Edge API Routes *(Edge middleware is not supported)*
- On-Demand Incremental Static Regeneration (ISR)
- Internationalized (i18n) automatic locale detection

**Using Next.js image optimization**

The Next.js documentation advises you to install the Sharp image processing module to enable image optimization to work correctly in production. However, this isn't necessary for Amplify deployments. Amplify automatically deploys Sharp for you.

The maximum output size of the image can't exceed 4.3 MB. You can have a larger image file stored somewhere and use the `next/image` component to resize and optimize it into a Webp or AVIF format and then serve it as a smaller size.

**Pricing for Next.js SSR apps**

When deploying your Next.js 12 or later SSR app, Amplify Hosting compute manages the resources required to deploy the SSR app for you. For information about Amplify Hosting compute charges, see [AWS Amplify Pricing](#).
Deploying a Next.js SSR app with Amplify

By default, Amplify deploys new SSR apps using Amplify Hosting's compute service with support for Next.js 12 or later. Amplify Hosting compute fully manages the resources required to deploy an SSR app. SSR apps in your Amplify account that you deployed before November 17, 2022 are using the Classic (Next.js 11 only) SSR provider.

We strongly recommend that you migrate apps using Classic (Next.js 11 only) SSR to the Amplify Hosting compute SSR provider. Amplify doesn't perform automatic migrations for you. You must manually migrate your app and then initiate a new build to complete the update. For instructions, see Migrating a Next.js 11 SSR app to Amplify Hosting compute (p. 17).

Use the following instructions to deploy a new SSR app.

To deploy an SSR app to Amplify using the Amplify Hosting compute SSR provider

1. Sign in to the AWS Management Console and open the Amplify console.
2. On the All apps page, choose New app, then Host web app.
3. Select your GitHub, Bitbucket, GitLab, or AWS CodeCommit repository provider and then choose Continue.
4. On the Add repository branch page, do the following:
   a. In the Recently updated repositories list, select the name of the repository to connect.
   b. In the Branch list, select the name of the repository branch to connect.
   c. Choose Next.
5. The app requires an IAM service role that Amplify assumes when calling other services on your behalf. You can either allow Amplify Hosting compute to automatically create a service role for you or you can specify a role that you have created.
   - To allow Amplify to automatically create a role and attach it to your app
     - In the IAM Role section, choose Create and use a new service role.
   - To attach a service role that you previously created
     a. In the IAM Role section, choose Use an existing service role.
     b. Choose the role to use from the list.
6. Choose Next.
7. On the Review page, choose Save and deploy.

Package.json file settings

When you deploy a Next.js app, Amplify inspects the app's build script in the package.json file to detect whether the app is SSR or SSG.

The following is an example of the build script for a Next.js SSR app. The build script "next build" indicates that the app supports both SSG and SSR pages.

```json
"scripts": {
  "dev": "next dev",
  "build": "next build",
  "start": "next start"
},
```

The following is an example of the build script for a Next.js SSG app. The build script "next build && next export" indicates that the app supports only SSG pages.
"scripts": {
    "dev": "next dev",
    "build": "next build & next export",
    "start": "next start"
},

Amplify build settings

After inspecting your app's package.json file to determine whether you are deploying an SSG or SSR app, Amplify checks the build settings for the app. You can save build settings in the Amplify console or in an amplify.yml file in the root of your repository. For more information, see Configuring build settings (p. 44).

If Amplify detects that you are deploying a Next.js SSR app, and no amplify.yml file is present, it generates a buildspec for the app and sets baseDirectory to .next. If you are deploying an app where an amplify.yml file is present, the build settings in the file override any build settings in the console. Therefore, you must manually set the baseDirectory to .next in the file.

The following is an example of the build settings for an app where baseDirectory is set to .next. This indicates that the build artifacts are for a Next.js app that supports SSG and SSR pages.

```json
version: 1
frontend:
  phases:
    preBuild:
      commands:
        - npm ci
    build:
      commands:
        - npm run build
    artifacts:
      baseDirectory: .next
      files:
        - '**/*'
    cache:
      paths:
        - node_modules/**/
```

If Amplify detects that you are deploying an SSG app, it generates a buildspec for the app and sets baseDirectory to out. If you are deploying an app where an amplify.yml file is present, you must manually set the baseDirectory to out in the file.

The following is an example of the build settings for an app where baseDirectory is set to out. This indicates that the build artifacts are for a Next.js app that supports only SSG pages.

```json
version: 1
frontend:
  phases:
    preBuild:
      commands:
        - npm ci
    build:
      commands:
        - npm run build
    artifacts:
      baseDirectory: out
      files:
        - '**/*'
    cache:
      paths:
```
Migrating a Next.js 11 SSR app to Amplify Hosting compute

When you deploy a new Next.js app, by default Amplify uses the most recent supported version of Next.js. Currently, the Amplify Hosting compute SSR provider supports Next.js version 13.

The Amplify console detects apps in your account that were deployed prior to the release of the Amplify Hosting compute service with full support for Next.js 12 or later. The console displays an information banner identifying apps with branches that are deployed using Amplify's previous SSR provider, Classic (Next.js 11 only). We strongly recommend that you migrate your apps to the Amplify Hosting compute SSR provider.

You must manually migrate the app and all of its production branches at the same time. An app can't contain both Classic (Next.js 11 only) and Next.js 12 branches.

Use the following instructions to migrate an app to the Amplify Hosting compute SSR provider.

To migrate an app to the Amplify Hosting compute SSR provider

1. Sign in to the AWS Management Console and open the Amplify console.
2. Choose the Next.js app that you want to migrate.
   
   **Note**
   Before you migrate an app in the Amplify console, you must first update the app's package.json file to use Next.js version 12 or later.
3. In the navigation pane, choose App settings, General.
4. On the app homepage, the console displays a banner if the app has branches deployed using the Classic (Next.js 11 only) SSR provider. On the banner, choose Migrate.
5. In the migration confirmation window, select the three statements and choose Migrate.
6. Amplify will build and redeploy your app to complete the migration.

Reverting an SSR migration

When you deploy a Next.js app, Amplify Hosting detects the settings in your app and sets the internal platform value for the app. There are three valid platform values. An SSG app is set to the platform value WEB. An SSR app using Next.js version 11 is set to the platform value WEB_DYNAMIC. A Next.js 12 or later SSR app is set to the platform value WEB_COMPUTE.

When you migrate an app using the instructions in the previous section, Amplify changes the platform value of your app from WEB_DYNAMIC to WEB_COMPUTE. After the migration to Amplify Hosting compute is complete, you can't revert the migration in the console. To revert the migration, you must use the AWS Command Line Interface to change the app's platform back to WEB_DYNAMIC. Open a terminal window and enter the following command, updating the app ID and Region with your unique information.

```bash
aws amplify update-app --app-id abcd1234 --platform WEB_DYNAMIC --region us-west-2
```

Adding SSR functionality to a static Next.js app

You can add SSR functionality to an existing static (SSG) Next.js app deployed with Amplify. Before you start the process of converting your SSG app to SSR, update the app to use Next.js version 12 or later and add SSR functionality. Then you will need to perform the following steps.
1. Use the AWS Command Line Interface to change the app's platform type.
2. Add a service role to the app.
3. Update the output directory in the app's build settings.
4. Update the app's package.json file to indicate that the app uses SSR.

**Update the platform**

There are three valid values for platform type. An SSG app is set to platform type WEB. An SSR app using Next.js version 11 is set to platform type WEB_DYNAMIC. For apps deployed to Next.js 12 using SSR managed by Amplify Hosting compute, the platform type is set to WEB_COMPUTE.

When you deployed your app as an SSG app, Amplify set the platform type to WEB. Use the AWS CLI to change the platform for your app to WEB_COMPUTE. Open a terminal window and enter the following command, updating the text in red with your unique app id and Region.

```
aws amplify update-app --app-id abcd1234 --platform WEB_COMPUTE --region us-west-2
```

**Add a service role**

A service role is the AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) role that Amplify assumes when calling other services on your behalf. Follow these steps to add a service role to an SSG app that's already deployed with Amplify.

**To add a service role**

1. Sign in to the AWS Management Console and open the Amplify console.
2. If you haven't already created a service role in your Amplify account, see Adding a service role (p. 112) to complete this prerequisite step.
3. Choose the static Next.js app that you want to add a service role to.
4. In the navigation pane, choose App settings, General.
5. On the App details page, choose Edit.
6. For Service role, choose the name of an existing service role or the name of the service role that you created in step 2.
7. Choose Save.

**Update build settings**

Before you redeploy your app with SSR functionality, you must update the build settings for the app to set the output directory to .next. You can edit the build settings in the Amplify console or in an amplify.yml file stored in your repo. For more information see, Configuring build settings (p. 44).

The following is an example of the build settings for an app where baseDirectory is set to .next.

```yaml
version: 1
frontend:
  phases:
    preBuild:
      commands:
        - npm ci
    build:
```
Making environment variables accessible to server-side runtimes

Amplify Hosting supports adding environment variables to your application's builds by setting them in the project's configuration in the Amplify console. However, a Next.js server component doesn't have access to those environment variables by default. This behavior is intentional to protect any secrets stored in environment variables that your application uses during the build phase.

To make specific environment variables accessible to Next.js, you can modify the Amplify build specification file to set them in the environment files that Next.js recognizes. This enables Amplify to load these environment variables before it builds the application. The following build specification example demonstrates how to add environment variables in the build commands section.

```
version: 1
frontend:
  phases:
    preBuild:
      commands: 
        - npm ci
    build:
      commands:
        - env | grep -e DB_HOST -e DB_USER -e DB_PASS >> .env.production
        - env | grep -e NEXT_PUBLIC_ >> .env.production
        - npm run build
      artifacts:
        baseDirectory: .next
        files:
          - '**/*'
        cache:
          paths: 
            - node_modules/**/*
            - .next/cache/**/*
```

Update the package.json file

After you add a service role and update the build settings, update the app's package.json file. As in the following example, set the build script to "next build" to indicate that the Next.js app supports both SSG and SSR pages.

```
"scripts": {
  "dev": "next dev",
  "build": "next build",
  "start": "next start"
},
```

Amplify detects the change to the package.json file in your repo and redeploys the app with SSR functionality.

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frontend:
  phases:
    preBuild:
      commands: 
        - npm ci
    build:
      commands:
        - env | grep -e DB_HOST -e DB_USER -e DB_PASS >> .env.production
        - env | grep -e NEXT_PUBLIC_ >> .env.production
        - npm run build
      artifacts:
        baseDirectory: .next
        files:
          - '**/*'
        cache:
          paths: 
            - node_modules/**/*
            - .next/cache/**/*
```
In this example, the build commands section includes two commands that write environment variables to the `.env.production` file before the application build runs. Amplify Hosting allows your application to access these variables when the application receives traffic.

The following line from the build commands section in the preceding example demonstrates how to take a specific variable from the build environment and add it to the `.env.production` file.

```
- env | grep -e DB_HOST -e DB_USER -e DB_PASS >> .env.production
```

If the variables exist in your build environment, the `.env.production` file will contain the following environment variables.

```
DB_HOST=localhost
DB_USER=myuser
DB_PASS=mypassword
```

The following line from the build commands section in the preceding example demonstrates how to add an environment variable with a specific prefix to the `.env.production` file. In this example, all variables with the prefix `NEXT_PUBLIC_` are added.

```
- env | grep -e NEXT_PUBLIC_ >> .env.production
```

If multiple variables with the `NEXT_PUBLIC_` prefix exist in the build environment, the `.env.production` file will look similar to the following.

```
NEXT_PUBLIC_ANALYTICS_ID=abcdefghijk
NEXT_PUBLIC_GRAPHQL_ENDPOINT=uowelalsmlsadf
NEXT_PUBLIC_SEARCH_KEY=asdfiojslf
NEXT_PUBLIC_SEARCH_ENDPOINT=https://search-url
```

**Deploying a Next.js app in a monorepo**

Amplify supports apps in generic monorepos as well as apps in monorepos created using npm workspace, pnpm workspace, Yarn workspace, Nx, and Turborepo. When you deploy your app, Amplify automatically detects the monorepo build framework that you are using. Amplify automatically applies build settings for apps in an npm workspace, Yarn workspace or Nx. Note that pnpm and Turborepo apps require additional configuration. For more information, see Monorepo build settings (p. 50).

For a detailed Nx example, see the Share code between Next.js apps with Nx on AWS Amplify Hosting blog post.

**Amazon CloudWatch Logs for SSR apps**

Amplify sends information about your Next.js runtime to Amazon CloudWatch Logs in your AWS account. When you deploy an SSR app, the app requires an IAM service role that Amplify assumes when calling other services on your behalf. You can either allow Amplify Hosting compute to automatically create a service role for you or you can specify a role that you have created.

If you choose to allow Amplify to create an IAM role for you, the role will already have the permissions to create CloudWatch Logs. If you create your own IAM role, you will need to add the following permissions to your policy to allow Amplify to access Amazon CloudWatch Logs.

```
logs:CreateLogStream
logs:CreateLogGroup
logs:DescribeLogGroups
```
Troubleshooting SSR deployments

If you experience unexpected issues when deploying an SSR app with Amplify Hosting compute, review the following troubleshooting topics. If you don't see a solution to your issue here, see the SSR compute troubleshooting guide in the Amplify Hosting GitHub Issues repository.

Topics

- Edge API routes cause your Next.js build to fail (p. 21)
- On-Demand Incremental Static Regeneration isn't working for your app (p. 21)
- The size of the build output is too large (p. 21)
- Your build fails with an out of memory error (p. 21)
- The HTTP response size is too large (p. 22)

Edge API routes cause your Next.js build to fail

Currently, Amplify doesn't support Next.js Edge API Routes. You must use non-edge APIs and middleware when hosting your app with Amplify.

On-Demand Incremental Static Regeneration isn't working for your app

Starting with version 12.2.0, Next.js supports Incremental Static Regeneration (ISR) to manually purge the Next.js cache for a specific page. However, Amplify doesn't currently support On-Demand ISR. If your app is using Next.js on-demand revalidation, this feature won't work when you deploy your app to Amplify.

The size of the build output is too large

Currently, the maximum build output size that Amplify supports for Next.js 12 and 13 apps using the Web Compute platform is 200 MB.

Your build fails with an out of memory error

Next.js enables you to cache build artifacts to improve performance on subsequent builds. In addition, Amplify's AWS CodeBuild container compresses and uploads this cache to Amazon S3, on your behalf, to improve subsequent build performance. This could cause your build to fail with an out of memory error.

Perform the following actions to prevent your app from exceeding the memory limit during the build phase. First, remove .next/cache/**/* from the cache.paths section of your build settings. Next, remove the NODE_OPTIONS environment variable from your build settings file. Instead, set the NODE_OPTIONS environment variable in the Amplify console to define the Node maximum memory limit. For more information about setting environment variables using the Amplify console, see Set environment variables (p. 92).

After making these changes, try your build again. If it succeeds, add .next/cache/**/* back to the cache.paths section of your build settings file.

For more information about Next.js cache configuration to improve build performance, see AWS CodeBuild on the Next.js website.
The HTTP response size is too large

Currently, the maximum response size that Amplify supports for Next.js 12 and 13 apps using the Web Compute platform is 5.72 MB. Responses over that limit return 504 errors with no content to clients.

Amplify Next.js 11 SSR support

If you deployed a Next.js app to Amplify prior to the release of Amplify Hosting compute on November 17, 2022, your app is using Amplify's previous SSR provider, Classic (Next.js 11 only). The documentation in this section applies only to apps deployed using the Classic (Next.js 11 only) SSR provider.

**Note**

We strongly recommend that you migrate your Next.js 11 apps to the Amplify Hosting compute managed SSR provider. For more information, see [Migrating a Next.js 11 SSR app to Amplify Hosting compute](p. 17).

The following list describes the specific features that the Amplify Classic (Next.js 11 only) SSR provider supports.

**Supported features**

- Server-side rendered pages (SSR)
- Static pages
- API routes
- Dynamic routes
- Catch all routes
- SSG (Static generation)
- Incremental Static Regeneration (ISR)
- Internationalized (i18n) sub-path routing
- Environment variables

**Unsupported features**

- Image optimization
- *On-Demand* Incremental Static Regeneration (ISR)
- Internationalized (i18n) domain routing
- Internationalized (i18n) automatic locale detection
- Middleware
- Edge Middleware
- Edge API Routes

**Pricing for Next.js 11 SSR apps**

When deploying your Next.js 11 SSR app, Amplify creates additional backend resources in your AWS account, including:

- An Amazon Simple Storage Service (Amazon S3) bucket that stores the resources for your app's static assets. For information about Amazon S3 charges, see [Amazon S3 Pricing](.)
- An Amazon CloudFront distribution to serve the app. For information about CloudFront charges, see [Amazon CloudFront Pricing](.
- Four [Lambda@Edge functions](.) to customize the content that CloudFront delivers.
AWS Identity and Access Management permissions for Next.js 11 SSR apps

Amplify requires AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) permissions to deploy an SSR app. Without the required minimum permissions, you will get an error when you try to deploy your SSR app. To provide Amplify with the required permissions, you must specify a service role.

To create an IAM service role that Amplify assumes when calling other services on your behalf, see Adding a service role (p. 112). These instructions demonstrate how to create a role that attaches the AdministratorAccess-Amplify managed policy.

The AdministratorAccess-Amplify managed policy provides access to multiple AWS services, including IAM actions. and should be considered as powerful as the AdministratorAccess policy. This policy provides more permissions than required to deploy your SSR app.

It is recommended that you follow the best practice of granting least privilege and reduce the permissions granted to the service role. Instead of granting administrator access permissions to your service role, you can create your own customer managed IAM policy that grants only the permissions required to deploy your SSR app. See, Creating IAM policies in the IAM User Guide for instructions on creating a customer managed policy.

If you create your own policy, refer to the following list of the minimum permissions required to deploy an SSR app.

```plaintext
acm:DescribeCertificate
acm:ListCertificates
acm:RequestCertificate
cloudfront:CreateCloudFrontOriginAccessIdentity
cloudfront:CreateDistribution
cloudfront:CreateInvalidation
cloudfront:GetDistribution
cloudfront:GetDistributionConfig
cloudfront:ListCloudFrontOriginAccessIdentities
cloudfront:ListDistributions
cloudfront:ListDistributionsByLambdaFunction
cloudfront:ListDistributionsByWebACLId
cloudfront:ListFieldLevelEncryptionConfigs
cloudfront:ListFieldLevelEncryptionProfiles
cloudfront:ListInInvalidations
cloudfront:ListPublicKeys
cloudfront:ListStreamingDistributions
cloudfront:UpdateDistribution
cloudfront:TagResource
cloudfront:UntagResource
cloudfront:ListTagsForResource
cloudfront:DeleteDistribution
iam:AttachRolePolicy
iam:CreateRole
iam:CreateServiceLinkedRole
iam:GetRole
iam:PutRolePolicy
iam:PassRole
iam:Update AssumeRole Policy
iam:DeleteRolePolicy
lambda:CreateFunction
lambda:EnableReplication
lambda:DeleteFunction
lambda:GetFunction
lambda:Get Function Configuration
lambda:Publish Version
lambda: Update Function Code
```
Troubleshooting Next.js 11 SSR deployments

If you experience unexpected issues when deploying a Classic (Next.js 11 only) SSR app with Amplify, review the following troubleshooting topics.

Topics

- Your output directory is overridden (p. 24)
- You get a 404 error after deploying your SSR site (p. 25)
- Your app is missing the rewrite rule for CloudFront SSR distributions (p. 25)
- Your app is too large to deploy (p. 25)
- Your build fails with an out of memory error (p. 21)
- Your app has both SSR and SSG branches (p. 26)
- Your app stores static files in a folder with a reserved path (p. 26)
- Your app has reached a CloudFront limit (p. 26)
- Environment variables are not carried through to Lambda functions (p. 26)
- Lambda@Edge functions are created in the US East (N. Virginia) Region (p. 26)
- Your Next.js app uses unsupported features (p. 27)
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- Unsupported Regions (p. 27)

Your output directory is overridden

The output directory for a Next.js app deployed with Amplify must be set to .next. If your app's output directory is being overridden, check the next.config.js file. To have the build output directory default to .next, remove the following line from the file:

distDir: '"build'
Verify that the output directory is set to `.next` in your build settings. For information about viewing your app's build settings, see Configuring build settings (p. 44).

The following is an example of the build settings for an app where `baseDirectory` is set to `.next`.

```json
version: 1
frontend:
  phases:
    preBuild:
      commands:
        - npm ci
    build:
      commands:
        - npm run build
    artifacts:
      baseDirectory: .next
      files:
        - '**/*'
      cache:
        paths:
          - node_modules/**/*
```

You get a 404 error after deploying your SSR site

If you get a 404 error after deploying your site, the issue could be caused by your output directory being overridden. To check your `next.config.js` file and verify the correct build output directory in your app's build spec, follow the steps in the previous topic, Your output directory is overridden (p. 24).

Your app is missing the rewrite rule for CloudFront SSR distributions

When you deploy an SSR app, Amplify creates a rewrite rule for your CloudFront SSR distributions. If you can't access your app in a web browser, verify that the CloudFront rewrite rule exists for your app in the Amplify console. If it's missing, you can either add it manually or redeploy your app.

To view or edit an app's rewrite and redirect rules in the Amplify console, in the navigation pane, choose App settings, then Rewrites and redirects. The following screenshot shows an example of the rewrite rules that Amplify creates for you when you deploy an SSR app. Notice that in this example, a CloudFront rewrite rule exists.

Your app is too large to deploy

Amplify limits the size of an SSR deployment to 50 MB. If you try to deploy a Next.js SSR app to Amplify and get a RequestEntityTooLargeException error, your app is too large to deploy. You can attempt to work around this issue by adding cache cleanup code to your `next.config.js` file.

The following is an example of code in the `next.config.js` file that performs cache cleanup.

```javascript
module.exports = {
  webpack: (config, { buildId, dev, isServer, defaultLoaders, webpack }) => {
```
Your build fails with an out of memory error

Next.js enables you to cache build artifacts to improve performance on subsequent builds. In addition, Amplify's AWS CodeBuild container compresses and uploads this cache to Amazon S3, on your behalf, to improve subsequent build performance. This could cause your build to fail with an out of memory error.

Perform the following actions to prevent your app from exceeding the memory limit during the build phase. First, remove .next/cache/**/* from the cache.paths section of your build settings. Next, remove the NODE_OPTIONS environment variable from your build settings file. Instead, set the NODE_OPTIONS environment variable in the Amplify console to define the Node maximum memory limit. For more information about setting environment variables using the Amplify console, see Set environment variables (p. 92).

After making these changes, try your build again. If it succeeds, add .next/cache/**/* back to the cache.paths section of your build settings file.

For more information about Next.js cache configuration to improve build performance, see AWS CodeBuild on the Next.js website.

Your app has both SSR and SSG branches

You can't deploy an app that has both SSR and SSG branches. If you need to deploy both SSR and SSG branches, you must deploy one app that uses only SSR branches and another app that uses only SSG branches.

Your app stores static files in a folder with a reserved path

Next.js can serve static files from a folder named public that's stored in the project's root directory. When you deploy and host a Next.js app with Amplify, your project can't include folders with the path public/static. Amplify reserves the public/static path for use when distributing the app. If your app includes this path, you must rename the static folder before deploying with Amplify.

Your app has reached a CloudFront limit

CloudFront service quotas limit your AWS account to 25 distributions with attached Lambda@Edge functions. If you exceed this quota, you can either delete any unused CloudFront distributions from your account or request a quota increase. For more information, see Requesting a quota increase in the Service Quotas User Guide.

Environment variables are not carried through to Lambda functions

Environment variables that you specify in the Amplify console for an SSR app are not carried through to the app's AWS Lambda functions. See, Making environment variables accessible to server-side runtimes (p. 19), for detailed instructions on how to add environment variables that you can reference from your Lambda functions.

Lambda@Edge functions are created in the US East (N. Virginia) Region

When you deploy a Next.js app, Amplify creates Lambda@Edge functions to customize the content that CloudFront delivers. Lambda@Edge functions are created in the US East (N. Virginia) Region, not the Region where your app is deployed. This is a Lambda@Edge restriction. For more information about Lambda@Edge functions, see Restrictions on edge functions in the Amazon CloudFront Developer Guide.
Your Next.js app uses unsupported features

Apps deployed with Amplify support the Next.js major versions up through version 11. For a detailed list of the Next.js features that are supported and unsupported by Amplify, see supported features.

When you deploy a new Next.js app, Amplify uses the most recent supported version of Next.js by default. If you have an existing Next.js app that you deployed to Amplify with an older version of Next.js, you can migrate the app to the Amplify Hosting compute SSR provider. For instructions, see Migrating a Next.js 11 SSR app to Amplify Hosting compute (p. 17).

Images in your Next.js app aren't loading

When you add images to your Next.js app using the next/image component, the size of the image can't exceed 1 MB. When you deploy the app to Amplify, images that are larger than 1 MB will return a 503 error. This is caused by a Lambda@Edge limit that restricts the size of a response that is generated by a Lambda function, including headers and body, to 1 MB.

The 1 MB limit applies to other artifacts in your app, such as PDF and document files.

Unsupported Regions

Amplify doesn't support Classic (Next.js 11 only) SSR app deployment in every AWS region where Amplify is available. Classic (Next.js 11 only) SSR isn't supported in the following Regions: Europe (Milan) eu-south-1, Middle East (Bahrain) me-south-1, and Asia Pacific (Hong Kong) ap-east-1.
Setting up custom domains

You can connect an app that you’ve deployed with Amplify Hosting to a custom domain. When you use Amplify to deploy your web app, Amplify hosts it for you on a URL such as https://branch-name.d1m7bk1k16tdw1.amplifyapp.com. When you connect your app to a custom domain, users see that your app is hosted on a custom URL, such as https://www.example.com.

You can purchase a custom domain through a domain registrar such as Amazon Route 53, GoDaddy, or Google Domains. Route 53 is Amazon’s Domain Name System (DNS) web service. For more information about using Route 53, see What is Amazon Route 53.

Amplify issues an SSL/TLS certificate for all domains connected to your app so that all traffic is secured through HTTPS/2. The certificate generated by AWS Certificate Manager (ACM) is valid for 13 months and renews automatically as long as your app is hosted with Amplify. Note that Amplify can’t renew the certificate if the CNAME verification record has been modified or deleted in the DNS settings with your domain provider. You must delete and add the domain again in the Amplify console.

Custom domain set up prerequisites

- A registered domain name
- An app deployed to Amplify Hosting

For more information about completing this step, see Getting started with existing code (p. 3).

- A basic knowledge of domains and DNS terminology

For more information about domains and DNS, see Understanding DNS terminology and concepts (p. 28).

Topics

- Understanding DNS terminology and concepts (p. 28)
- Add a custom domain managed by Amazon Route 53 (p. 30)
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- Manage subdomains (p. 35)
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- Set up automatic subdomains for an Amazon Route 53 custom domain (p. 38)
- Troubleshooting custom domains (p. 39)

Understanding DNS terminology and concepts

If you are unfamiliar with the terms and concepts associated with Domain Name System (DNS), the following topics can help you understand the procedures for adding custom domains.

DNS terminology

The following are a list of terms common to DNS. They can help you understand the procedures for adding custom domains.
CNAME

A Canonical Record Name (CNAME) is a type of DNS record that masks the domain for a set of webpages and makes them appear as though they are located elsewhere. A CNAME points a subdomain to a fully qualified domain name (FQDN). For example, you can create a new CNAME record to map the subdomain www.example.com, where www is the subdomain, to the FQDN domain branch-name.d1m7bkiki6tdw1.cloudfront.net assigned to your app in the Amplify console.

ANAME

An ANAME record is like a CNAME record, but at the root level. An ANAME points the root of your domain to an FQDN. That FQDN points to an IP address.

Name server

A name server is a server on the internet that's specialized in handling queries regarding the location of a domain name's various services. If you set up your domain in Amazon Route 53, a list of name servers are already assigned to your domain.

NS record

An NS record points to name servers that look up your domain details.

DNS verification

A Domain Name System (DNS) is like a phone book that translates human-readable domain names into computer-friendly IP addresses. When you type https://google.com into a browser, a lookup operation is performed in the DNS provider to find the IP Address of the server that hosts the website.

DNS providers contain records of domains and their corresponding IP Addresses. The most commonly used DNS records are CNAME, ANAME, and NS records.

Amplify uses a CNAME record to verify that you own your custom domain. If you host your domain with Route 53, verification is done automatically on your behalf. However, if you host your domain with a third-party provider such as GoDaddy or Google, you have to manually update your domain's DNS settings and add a new CNAME record provided by Amplify.

Amplify Hosting custom domain activation process

When you add a custom domain with Amplify Hosting, there are a number of steps to complete before you can view your app using your custom domain. The following graphic shows the order of the steps that Amplify performs for SSL/TLS certificate creation, certificate configuration and verification, and domain activation.
Add a custom domain managed by Amazon Route 53

To add a custom domain managed by Route 53

1. Sign in to the AWS Management Console and open the Amplify console.
2. Choose your app that you want to connect to a custom domain.
3. In the navigation pane, choose App Settings, Domain management.
4. On the Domain management page, choose Add domain.
5. For Domain, enter your root domain, choose the domain you want to use when it appears in the list, and then choose Configure Domain.

As you start typing, any root domains that you already manage in Route 53 appear in the list. For example, if the name of your domain is https://example.com, enter example.com for Domain.

If you don't already own the domain and it is available, you can purchase the domain in Amazon Route 53.
6. By default, Amplify automatically creates two subdomain entries for your domain. For example, if your domain name is example.com, you will see the subdomains https://www.example.com and https://example.com with a redirect set up from the root domain to the www subdomain.

(Optional) You can modify the default configuration if you want to add subdomains only. To change the default configuration, choose Rewrites and redirects from the navigation pane, configure your domain, and then choose Save.

Note
It can take up to 24 hours for the DNS to propagate and to issue the certificate. For help with resolving errors that occur, see Troubleshooting custom domains (p. 39).

Add a custom domain managed by a third-party DNS provider

If you are not using Amazon Route 53 to manage your domain, you can add a custom domain managed by a third-party DNS provider to your app deployed with Amplify.

If you are using GoDaddy or Google Domains, see the section called “Add a custom domain managed by GoDaddy” (p. 33) or the section called “Add a custom domain managed by Google Domains” (p. 34) for procedures specific to these providers.
To add a custom domain managed by a third-party DNS provider

1. Sign in to the AWS Management Console and open the Amplify console.
2. Choose your app that you want to add a custom domain to.
3. In the navigation pane, choose App Settings, Domain management.
4. On the Domain management page, choose Add domain.
5. For Domain, enter the name of your root domain, and then choose Configure domain. For example, if the name of your domain is https://example.com, enter example.com.
6. By default, Amplify automatically creates two subdomain entries for your domain. For example, if your domain name is example.com, you will see the subdomains https://www.example.com and https://example.com with a redirect set up from the root domain to the www subdomain.

(Optional) You can modify the default configuration if you want to add subdomains only. To change the default configuration, choose Rewrites and redirects from the navigation pane, configure your domain, and then choose Save.

7. On the Actions menu, choose View DNS records. Use the DNS records displayed in the Amplify console to update your DNS records with your third-party domain provider.

8. Do one of the following:
   - If you're using GoDaddy, go to Add a custom domain managed by GoDaddy (p. 33).
Add a custom domain managed by GoDaddy

To add a custom domain managed by GoDaddy

1. Follow steps one through seven of the procedure the section called “Add a custom domain managed by a third-party DNS provider” (p. 31).
2. Log in to your GoDaddy account.
3. In your list of domains, find the domain to add and choose DNS.
4. On the DNS Management page, GoDaddy displays a list of records for your domain in the DNS Records section. You need to add two new CNAME records.
5. Create the first CNAME record to point your subdomains to the Amplify domain.
   a. In the DNS Records section, choose Add.
   b. For Type, choose CNAME.
   c. For Name, enter only the subdomain. For example, if your subdomain is www.example.com, enter www for Name.
To add a custom domain managed by Google Domains

1. Follow steps one through seven of the procedure To add a custom domain managed by a third-party DNS provider (p. 31).
2. Log in to your account at https://domains.google.com and choose My domains in the left navigation pane.
3. In your list of domains, find the domain to add and choose Manage.
4. In the left navigation pane, choose DNS. Google displays the Resource records for your domain. You need to add two new CNAME records.
5. Create the first CNAME record to point all subdomains to the Amplify domain as follows:
   a. For **Host name**, enter only the subdomain name. For example, if your subdomain is `www.example.com`, enter `www` for **Host name**.
   b. For **Type**, choose **CNAME**.
   c. For **Data**, enter the value that's available in the Amplify console.
      
      If the Amplify console displays the domain for your app as `d111111abcdef8.cloudfront.net`, enter `d111111abcdef8.cloudfront.net` for **Data**.

6. Create the second CNAME record to point to the AWS Certificate Manager (ACM) validation server. A single validated ACM generates an SSL/TLS certificate for your domain.
   a. For **Host name**, enter the subdomain.
      
      For example, if the DNS record in the Amplify console for verifying ownership of your subdomain is `_c3e2d7eaf1e656b73f46cd6980f00c.example.com`, enter only `_c3e2d7eaf1e656b73f46cd6980f00c` for **Host name**.
   b. For **Type**, choose **CNAME**.
   c. For **Data**, enter the ACM validation certificate.
      
      For example, if the validation server is `_cf122npwt9vzexample93c1j4xzc92wl.2te3iy6kzr.acm-validations.aws`, enter `_cf122npwt9vzexample93c1j4xzc92wl.2te3iy6kzr.acm-validations.aws` for **Data**.

7. Choose **Save**.

   **Note**
   The certificate generated by AWS Certificate Manager (ACM) is valid for 13 months and renews automatically as long as your app is hosted with Amplify. Amplify can't renew the certificate if the CNAME verification record has been modified or deleted. You must delete and add the domain again in the Amplify console.

8. Google Domains support for ANAME/ALIAS records is in preview. For DNS providers that don't have ANAME/ALIAS support, we strongly recommend migrating your DNS to Amazon Route 53. For more information, see Configuring Amazon Route 53 as your DNS service. If you want to keep Google Domains as your provider and update the root domain, set up a subdomain forward. Locate the **Website** page for your Google domain. Then choose **Forward domain** and configure your forwarding on the **Web forwarding** page.

   **Note**
   Updates to your DNS settings for a Google domain can take up to 48 hours to take effect. For help with resolving errors that occur, see Troubleshooting custom domains (p. 39).

**Manage subdomains**

A subdomain is the part of your URL that appears before your domain name. For example, `www` is the subdomain of `www.amazon.com` and `aws` is the subdomain of `aws.amazon.com`. If you already have a production website, you might want to only connect a subdomain. Subdomains can also be multilevel, for example `beta.alpha.example.com` has the multilevel subdomain `beta.alpha`.

**To add a subdomain only**

1. Sign in to the AWS Management Console and open the Amplify console.
2. Choose your app that you want to add a subdomain to.
3. In the navigation pane, choose **App Settings**, and then choose **Domain management**.

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To add a multilevel subdomain

1. Sign in to the AWS Management Console and open the Amplify console.
2. Choose your app that you want to add a multilevel subdomain to.
3. In the navigation pane, choose App Settings, and then choose Domain management.
4. On the Domain management page, choose Add domain.
5. For Domain, enter the name of a domain with a subdomain, choose Exclude root, and modify the subdomain to add a new level.

For example, if you have a domain called alpha.example.com and you want to create a multilevel subdomain beta.alpha.example.com, you would enter beta as the subdomain value, as shown in the following screenshot.
To add or edit a subdomain

After adding a custom domain to an app, you can edit an existing subdomain or add a new subdomain.

1. Sign in to the AWS Management Console and open the Amplify console.
2. Choose your app that you want to manage subdomains for.
3. In the navigation pane, choose App Settings, and then choose Domain management.
5. In Edit domain, you can edit your existing subdomains as needed.
6. (Optional) To add a new subdomain, choose Add.
7. Choose Update to save your changes.

Wildcard subdomains

Amplify Hosting now supports wildcard subdomains. A wildcard subdomain is a catch-all subdomain that enables you to point existing and non-existing subdomains to a specific branch of your application. When you use a wildcard to associate all subdomains in an app to a specific branch, you can serve the same content to your app’s users in any subdomain and avoid configuring each subdomain individually.

To create a wildcard subdomain, specify an asterisk (*) as the subdomain name. For example, if you specify the wildcard subdomain *.example.com for a specific branch of your app, any URL that ends with example.com will be routed to the branch. In this case, requests for dev.example.com and prod.example.com will be routed to the *.example.com subdomain.

Note that Amplify supports wildcard subdomains only for a custom domain. You can’t use this feature with the default amplifyapp.com domain.

The following requirements apply to wildcard subdomains:
To add or delete a wildcard subdomain

After adding a custom domain to an app, you can add a wildcard subdomain for an app branch.

1. Sign in to the AWS Management Console and open the Amplify Hosting console.
2. Choose your app that you want to manage wildcard subdomains for.
3. In the navigation pane, choose App Settings, and then choose Domain management.
5. In Edit domain, you can add or delete wildcard subdomains.
   - To add a new wildcard subdomain
     a. Choose Add.
     b. For the subdomain, enter an *.
     c. For your app branch, select a branch name from the list.

     In the following example screenshot, the *.example.com wildcard subdomain has been created for the dev branch of the app.

     ![Example Screenshot]

     d. Choose Update to save your changes.
   - To delete a wildcard subdomain
     a. Choose Remove next to the subdomain name. Traffic to a subdomain that is not explicitly configured stops, and Amplify Hosting returns a 404 status code to those requests.
     b. Choose Update to save your changes.

Set up automatic subdomains for an Amazon Route 53 custom domain

After an app is connected to a custom domain in Route 53, Amplify enables you to automatically create subdomains for newly connected branches. For example, if you connect your dev branch, Amplify can automatically create dev.example.com. When you delete a branch, any associated subdomains are automatically deleted.

To set up automatic subdomain creation for newly connected branches

1. Sign in to the AWS Management Console and open the Amplify console.
2. Choose an app that is connected to a custom domain managed in Route 53.
3. In the navigation pane, choose App Settings, and then choose Domain management.
5. Select the Sub-domain auto-detection check box on the bottom left side.
Note
This feature is available only for root domains, for example, exampledomain.com. The Amplify console doesn't display this check box if your domain is already a subdomain, such as dev.exampledomain.com.

Web previews with subdomains

After you enable **Sub-domain auto-detection** using the preceding instructions, your app's pull request web previews will also be accessible with automatically created subdomains. When a pull request is closed, the associated branch and subdomain are automatically deleted. For more information on setting up web previews for pull requests, see [Web previews for pull requests](https://example.com) (p. 76).

Troubleshooting custom domains

If you encounter issues when adding a custom domain to an app in the AWS Amplify console, consult the following topics in this section for troubleshooting help. If you don't see a solution to your issue here, see the [Amplify Hosting GitHub Issues](https://github.com) repository. If your issue doesn't already exist in the repository, you can open a new issue.

Topics

- How do I verify that my CNAME resolves? (p. 39)
- My domain hosted with a third-party is stuck in the Pending Verification state (p. 40)
- My domain hosted with Amazon Route 53 is stuck in the Pending Verification state (p. 40)
- I get a CNAMEAlreadyExistsException error (p. 41)
- I get an Additional Verification Required error (p. 42)
- I get a 404 error on the CloudFront URL (p. 42)
- I get SSL certificate or HTTPS errors when visiting my domain (p. 42)

How do I verify that my CNAME resolves?

1. After you update your DNS records with your third-party domain provider, you can use a tool such as `dig` or a free website such as [https://www.whatsmydns.net/](https://www.whatsmydns.net/) to verify that your CNAME record is resolving correctly. The following screenshot demonstrates how to use whatsmydns.net to check your CNAME record for the domain www.example.com.

   ![whatsmydns.net](https://example.com)

2. Choose **Search**, and [whatsmydns.net](https://www.whatsmydns.net/) displays the results for your CNAME. The following screenshot is an example of a list of results that verify that the CNAME resolves correctly to a cloudfront.net URL.
My domain hosted with a third-party is stuck in the Pending Verification state

1. If your custom domain is stuck in the Pending Verification state, verify that your CNAME records are resolving. See the previous troubleshooting topic, How do I verify that my CNAME resolves (p. 39), for instructions on performing this task.

2. If your CNAME records are not resolving, confirm that the CNAME entry exists in your DNS settings with your domain provider.

   **Important**
   It is important to update your CNAME records as soon as you create your custom domain. After your app is created in the Amplify console, your CNAME record is checked every few minutes to determine if it resolves. If it doesn’t resolve after an hour, the check is made every few hours, which can lead to a delay in your domain being ready to use. If you added or updated your CNAME records a few hours after you created your app, this is the most likely cause for your app to get stuck in the Pending Verification state.

3. If you have verified that the CNAME record exists, then there may be an issue with your DNS provider. You can either contact the DNS provider to diagnose why the DNS verification CNAME is not resolving or you can migrate your DNS to Route 53. For more information, see Making Amazon Route 53 the DNS service for an existing domain.

My domain hosted with Amazon Route 53 is stuck in the Pending Verification state

If you transferred your domain to Amazon Route 53, it is possible that your domain has different name servers than those issued by Amplify when your app was created. Perform the following steps to diagnose the cause of the error.

1. Sign in to the Amazon Route 53 console

2. In the navigation pane, choose Hosted Zones and then choose the name of the domain you are connecting.

3. Record the name server values from the Hosted Zone Details section. You need these values to complete the next step. The following screenshot of the Route 53 console displays the location of the name server values in the lower-right corner.
I get a CNAMEAlreadyExistsException error

If you get a CNAMEAlreadyExistsException error, this means that one of the host names that you tried to connect (a subdomain, or the apex domain) is already deployed to another Amazon CloudFront distribution. Perform the following steps to diagnose the cause of the error.

1. Sign in to the Amazon CloudFront console and verify that you don’t have this domain deployed to any other distribution. A single CNAME record can be attached to one CloudFront distribution at a time.
2. If you previously deployed the domain to a CloudFront distribution you must remove it.
   a. Choose Distributions on the left navigation menu.
   b. Select the name of the distribution to edit.
   c. Choose the General tab. In the Settings section, choose Edit.
   d. Remove the domain name from Alternate domain name (CNAME). Then choose, Save changes.
3. Check to see whether this domain is connected to a different Amplify app that you own. If so, make sure you are not trying to reuse one of the hostnames. If you are using www.example.com for another app, you cannot use www.example.com with the app that you are currently connecting. You can use other subdomains, such as blog.example.com.
4. If this domain was successfully connected to another app and then deleted within the last hour, try again after at least one hour has passed. If you still see this exception after 6 hours, see the Amplify Hosting GitHub Issues repository and open a new issue if it doesn’t already exist.
I get an Additional Verification Required error

If you get an **Additional Verification Required** error, this means that AWS Certificate Manager (ACM) requires additional information to process this certificate request. This can happen as a fraud-protection measure, such as when the domain ranks within the Alexa top 1000 websites. To provide the required information, use the Support Center to contact AWS Support. If you don't have a support plan, post a new thread in the ACM Discussion Forum.

**Note**
You cannot request a certificate for Amazon-owned domain names such as those ending in amazonaws.com, cloudfront.net, or elasticbeanstalk.com.

I get a 404 error on the CloudFront URL

To serve traffic, Amplify Hosting points to a CloudFront URL via a CNAME record. In the process of connecting an app to a custom domain, the Amplify console displays the CloudFront URL for the app. However, you cannot access your application directly using this CloudFront URL. It returns a 404 error. Your application resolves only using the Amplify app URL (for example, https://main.d5udybEXAMPLE.amplifyapp.com, or your custom domain (for example www.example.com).

Amplify needs to route requests to the correct deployed branch and uses the hostname to do this. For example, you can configure the domain www.example.com that points to the mainline branch of an app, but also configure dev.example.com that points to the dev branch of the same app. Therefore, you must visit your application based on it's configured subdomains so that Amplify can route the requests accordingly.

I get SSL certificate or HTTPS errors when visiting my domain

If you have Certificate Authority Authorization (CAA) DNS records configured with your third-party DNS provider, AWS Certificate Manager (ACM) might not be able to update or reissue intermediate certificates for your custom domain SSL certificate. To resolve this, you need to add a CAA record to trust at least one of Amazon's certificate authority domains. The following procedure describes the steps you need to perform.

**To add a CAA record to trust an Amazon certificate authority**

1. Configure a CAA record with your domain provider to trust at least one of Amazon's certificate authority domains. For more information about configuring the CAA record, see [Certification Authority Authorization (CAA) problems](https://aws.amazon.com/premiumsupport/knowledge-center/aws-caa-problems/) in the AWS Certificate Manager User Guide.

2. Use one of the following methods to update your SSL certificate:
   - Manually update using the Amplify console.
     
     **Note**
     This method will cause down time for your custom domain.

     a. Sign in to the AWS Management Console and open the Amplify console.
     b. Choose your app that you want to add a CAA record to.
     c. In the navigation pane, choose **App Settings, Domain management**.
     d. On the **Domain management** page, delete the custom domain.
     e. Connect your app to the custom domain again. This process issues a new SSL certificate and its intermediate certificates can now be managed by ACM.

     To reconnect your app to your custom domain, use one of the following procedures that corresponds to the domain provider you are using.
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- Add a custom domain managed by Amazon Route 53 (p. 30).
- Add a custom domain managed by a third-party DNS provider (p. 31).
- Add a custom domain managed by GoDaddy (p. 33).
- Add a custom domain managed by Google Domains (p. 34).
- Contact AWS Support to have your SSL certificate reissued.
Configuring build settings

When you deploy an app with Amplify Hosting, it automatically detects the front end framework and associated build settings by inspecting the package.json file in your repository. You have the following options for storing your app's build settings:

- Save the build settings in the Amplify console - The Amplify console autodetects build settings and saves them so that they can be accessed via the Amplify console. Amplify applies these settings to all of your branches unless there is an amplify.yml file stored in your repository.
- Save the build settings in your repository - Download the amplify.yml file and add it to the root of your repository.

You can edit an app's build settings in the Amplify console by choosing App settings, Build settings. The build settings are applied to all the branches in your app, except for the branches that have an amplify.yml file saved in the repository.

Note
Build settings is visible in the Amplify console's App settings menu only when an app is set up for continuous deployment and connected to a git repository. For instructions on this type of deployment, see Getting started with existing code (p. 3).

Build specification commands and settings

The build specification YAML contains a collection of build commands and related settings that Amplify uses to run your build. The following list describes these settings and how they are used.

version

The Amplify YAML version number.

appRoot

The path within the repository that this application resides in. Ignored unless multiple applications are defined.

env

Add environment variables to this section. You can also add environment variables using the console.

backend

Run Amplify CLI commands to provision a backend, update Lambda functions, or GraphQL schemas as part of continuous deployment. Learn how to deploy a backend with your frontend (p. 9).

frontend

Run frontend build commands.

test

Run commands during a test phase. Learn how to add tests to your app (p. 79).
build phases

The frontend, backend, and test have three *phases* that represent the commands run during each sequence of the build.

- **preBuild** - The preBuild script runs before the actual build starts, but after Amplify installs dependencies.
- **build** - Your build commands.
- **postBuild** - The post-build script runs after the build has finished and Amplify has copied all the necessary artifacts to the output directory.

buildpath

The path to use to run the build. Amplify uses this path to locate your build artifacts. If you don't specify a path, Amplify uses the monorepo app root, for example `apps/app`.

*artifacts>*base-directory

The directory in which your build artifacts exist.

*artifacts>*files

Specify files from your artifacts you want to deploy. Enter `**/*` to include all files.

cache

The buildspec’s cache field is used to cache build-time dependencies such as the `node_modules` folder, and is automatically suggested based on the package manager and framework that the customer's app is built in. During the first build, any paths here are cached, and on subsequent builds we re-inflate the cache and use those cached dependencies where possible to speed up build time.

The following example build specification demonstrates the basic YAML syntax:

**Build specification YAML syntax**

```
version: 1
env:
  variables:
    key: value
backend:
  phases:
    preBuild:
      commands:
      - *enter command*
    build:
      commands:
      - *enter command*
    postBuild:
      commands:
      - *enter command*
frontend:
  buildpath:
  phases:
    preBuild:
      commands:
      - cd react-app
      - npm ci
    build:
      commands:
      - npm run build
artifacts:
  files:
    - location
    - location
```
Branch-specific build settings

You can use bash shell scripting to set branch-specific build settings. For example, the following script uses the system environment variable $AWS_BRANCH to execute one set of commands if the branch name is `main` and a different set of commands if the branch name is `dev`.

```bash
frontend:
  phases:
    build:
      commands:
        - if [ "${AWS_BRANCH}" = "main" ]; then echo "main branch"; fi
        - if [ "${AWS_BRANCH}" = "dev" ]; then echo "dev branch"; fi
```

Navigating to a subfolder

For monorepos, users want to be able to `cd` into a folder to run the build. After you run the `cd` command, it applies to all stages of your build so you don’t need to repeat the command in separate phases.

```bash
version: 1
env:
  variables:
    key: value
frontend:
  phases:
    preBuild:
      commands:
        - cd react-app
        - npm ci
    build:
      commands:
        - npm run build
```
Deploying the backend with the front end

The amplifyPush command is a helper script that helps you with backend deployments. The build settings below automatically determine the correct backend environment to deploy for the current branch.

```
version: 1
env:
  variables:
    key: value
backend:
  phases:
    build:
      commands:
        - amplifyPush --simple
```

Setting the output folder

The following build settings set the output directory to the public folder.

```
frontend:
  phases:
    commands:
      build:
        - yarn run build
  artifacts:
    baseDirectory: public
```

Installing packages as part of a build

You can use the npm or yarn commands to install packages during the build.

```
frontend:
  phases:
    build:
      commands:
        - npm install -g <package>
        - <package> deploy
        - yarn run build
    artifacts:
      baseDirectory: public
```

Using a private npm registry

You can add references to a private registry in your build settings or add it as an environment variable.

```
build:
  phases:
    preBuild:
      commands:
        - npm config set <key> <value>
```
Installing OS packages

You can install OS packages for missing dependencies.

```
- npm config set registry https://registry.npmjs.org
- npm config set always-auth true
- npm config set email hello@amplifyapp.com
- yarn install
```

Key-value storage for every build

The `envCache` provides key-value storage at build time. Values stored in the `envCache` can only be modified during a build and can be re-used at the next build. Using the `envCache`, we can store information on the deployed environment and make it available to the build container in successive builds. Unlike values stored in the `envCache`, changes to environment variables during a build are not persisted to future builds.

Example usage:

```
envCache --set <key> <value>
envCache --get <key>
```

Skip build for a commit

To skip an automatic build on a particular commit, include the text `[skip-cd]` at the end of the commit message.

Disable automatic builds

You can configure Amplify to disable automatic builds on every code commit. To set up, choose App settings, General, and then scroll to the Branches section that lists the connected branches. Select a branch, and then choose Action, Disable auto build. Further commits to that branch will no longer trigger a new build.

Enable or disable diff based frontend build and deploy

You can configure Amplify to use diff based frontend builds. If enabled, at the start of each build Amplify attempts to run a diff on either your `appRoot`, or the `/src`/ folder by default. If Amplify doesn't find
any differences, it skips the frontend build, test (if configured), and deploy steps, and does not update your hosted app.

**To configure diff based frontend build and deploy**

1. Sign in to the AWS Management Console and open the Amplify console.
2. Choose the app to configure diff based frontend build and deploy for.
3. In the navigation pane, choose App settings, Environment variables.
4. In the Environment variables section, choose Manage variables.
5. The procedure for configuring the environment variable varies depending on whether you are enabling or disabling diff based frontend build and deploy.
   - To enable diff based frontend build and deploy
     a. In the Manage variables section, under Variable, enter AMPLIFY_DIFF_DEPLOY.
     b. For Value, enter true.
   - To disable diff based frontend build and deploy
     Do one of the following:
     a. In the Manage variables section, locate AMPLIFY_DIFF_DEPLOY. For Value, enter false.
    b. Remove the AMPLIFY_DIFF_DEPLOY environment variable.
6. Choose Save.

Optionally, you can set the AMPLIFY_DIFF_DEPLOY_ROOT environment variable to override the default path with a path relative to the root of your repo, such as dist.

**Enable or disable diff based backend builds**

You can configure Amplify Hosting to use diff based backend builds using the AMPLIFY_DIFF_BACKEND environment variable. When you enable diff based backend builds, at the start of each build Amplify attempts to run a diff on the amplify folder in your repository. If Amplify doesn't find any differences, it skips the backend build step, and doesn't update your backend resources. If your project doesn't have an amplify folder in your repository, Amplify ignores the value of the AMPLIFY_DIFF_BACKEND environment variable.

If you currently have custom commands specified in the build settings of your backend phase, conditional backend builds won't work. If you want those custom commands to run, you must move them to the frontend phase of your build settings in your app's amplify . yml file.

**To configure diff based backend builds**

1. Sign in to the AWS Management Console and open the Amplify console.
2. Choose the app to configure diff based backend builds for.
3. In the navigation pane, choose App settings, Environment variables.
4. In the Environment variables section, choose Manage variables.
5. The procedure for configuring the environment variable varies depending on whether you are enabling or disabling diff based backend builds.
   - To enable diff based backend builds
     a. In the Manage variables section, under Variable, enter AMPLIFY_DIFF_BACKEND.
b. For **Value**, enter `true`.
   - To disable diff based backend builds
     - Do one of the following:
       - In the **Manage variables** section, locate `AMPLIFY_DIFF_BACKEND`. For **Value**, enter `false`.
       - Remove the `AMPLIFY_DIFF_BACKEND` environment variable.

6. Choose **Save**.

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### Monorepo build settings

When you store multiple projects or microservices in a single repository, it is called a monorepo. You can use Amplify Hosting to deploy applications in a monorepo without creating multiple build configurations or branch configurations.

Amplify supports apps in generic monorepos as well as apps in monorepos created using npm workspace, pnpm workspace, Yarn workspace, Nx, and Turborepo. When you deploy your app, Amplify automatically detects the monorepo build tool that you are using. Amplify automatically applies build settings for apps in an npm workspace, Yarn workspace or Nx. Turborepo and pnpm apps require additional configuration. For more information, see [Configuring Turborepo and pnpm monorepo apps](p. 54).

You can save the build settings for a monorepo in the Amplify console or you can download the `amplify.yml` file and add it to the root of your repository. Amplify applies the settings saved in the console to all of your branches unless it finds an `amplify.yml` file in your repository. When an `amplify.yml` file is present, its settings override any build settings saved in the Amplify console.

### Monorepo build specification YAML syntax

The YAML syntax for a monorepo build specification differs from the YAML syntax for a repo that contains a single application. For a monorepo, you declare each project in a list of applications. You must provide the following additional `appRoot` key for each application you declare in your monorepo build specification:

**appRoot**

The root, within the repository, that the application starts in. This key must exist, and have the same value as the `AMPLIFY_MONOREPO_APP_ROOT` environment variable. For instructions on setting this environment variable, see [Setting the `AMPLIFY_MONOREPO_APP_ROOT` environment variable](p. 52).

The following monorepo build specification example demonstrates how to declare multiple Amplify applications in the same repo. The two apps, `react-app` and `angular-app` are declared in the applications list. The `appRoot` key for each app indicates that the app is located in the apps root folder in the repo.

The `buildpath` attribute is set to `/` to run and build the app from the monorepo project root.

### Monorepo build specification YAML syntax

```yaml
version: 1
applications:
  - appRoot: apps/react-app
```

env:
  variables:
    key: value
backend:
  phases:
    preBuild:
      commands:
        - *enter command*
    build:
      commands:
        - *enter command*
    postBuild:
      commands:
        - *enter command*
frontend:
  buildPath: / # Run install and build from the monorepo project root
  phases:
    preBuild:
      commands:
        - *enter command*
        - *enter command*
    build:
      commands:
        - *enter command*
  artifacts:
    files:
      - location
      - location
discard-paths: yes
  baseDirectory: location
cache:
  paths:
    - path
    - path
test:
  phases:
    preTest:
      commands:
        - *enter command*
    test:
      commands:
        - *enter command*
    postTest:
      commands:
        - *enter command*
  artifacts:
    files:
      - location
      - location
discard-paths: yes
  configFilePath: *location*
  baseDirectory: *location*
  appRoot: apps/angular-app
env:
  variables:
    key: value
backend:
  phases:
    preBuild:
      commands:
        - *enter command*
    build:
      commands:
        - *enter command*
    postBuild:
      commands:
        - *enter command*
Setting the AMPLIFY_MONOREPO_APP_ROOT environment variable

When you deploy an app stored in a monorepo, the app's AMPLIFY_MONOREPO_APP_ROOT environment variable must have the same value as the path of the app root, relative to the root of your repository. For example, a monorepo named ExampleMonorepo with a root folder named apps, that contains, app1, app2, and app3 has the following directory structure:

ExampleMonorepo
  apps
    app1
    app2
    app3

In this example, the value of the AMPLIFY_MONOREPO_APP_ROOT environment variable for app1 is apps/app1.

When you deploy a monorepo app using the Amplify console, the console automatically sets the AMPLIFY_MONOREPO_APP_ROOT environment variable using the value that you specify for the path to the app's root. However, if your monorepo app already exists in Amplify or is deployed using AWS CloudFormation, you must manually set the AMPLIFY_MONOREPO_APP_ROOT environment variable in the Environment variables section in the Amplify console.
Setting the AMPLIFY_MONOREPO_APP_ROOT environment variable automatically during deployment

The following instructions demonstrate how to deploy a monorepo app with the Amplify console. Amplify automatically sets the AMPLIFY_MONOREPO_APP_ROOT environment variable using the app’s root folder that you specify in the console.

To deploy a monorepo app with the Amplify console

1. Sign in to the AWS Management Console and open the Amplify console.
2. Choose New app, Host web app in the upper right corner.
3. On the Host your web app page, choose your Git provider, then choose Continue.
4. On the Add repository branch page, do the following:
   a. Choose the name of your repository from the list of Recently updated repositories.
   b. For Branch, choose the name of the branch to use.
   c. Select Connecting a monorepo? Pick a folder.
   d. Enter the path to your app in your monorepo, for example, apps/app1.
   e. Choose Next.
5. On the Build settings page, you can use the default settings or customize the build settings for your app. In the following example screenshot, in the Environment variables section, Amplify set AMPLIFY_MONOREPO_APP_ROOT to apps/app1, using the path you specified in step 4d.

<table>
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<th>Environment variables</th>
<th>Value</th>
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<tr>
<td>AMPLIFY_MONOREPO_APP_ROOT</td>
<td>apps/app1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>AMPLIFY_DIFF_DEPLOY</td>
<td>false</td>
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</tbody>
</table>

6. Choose Next.
7. On the Review page, choose Save and deploy.

Setting the AMPLIFY_MONOREPO_APP_ROOT environment variable for an existing app

Use the following instructions to manually set the AMPLIFY_MONOREPO_APP_ROOT environment variable for an app that is already deployed to Amplify, or has been created using CloudFormation.

To set the AMPLIFY_MONOREPO_APP_ROOT environment variable for an existing app

1. Sign in to the AWS Management Console and open the Amplify console.
2. Choose the name of the app to set the environment variable for.
3. In the navigation pane, choose App Settings, and then choose Environment variables.
4. On the Environment variables page, choose Manage variables.
5. In the Manage variables section, do the following:
a. Choose **Add variable**.

b. For **Variable**, enter the key `AMPLIFY_MONOREPO_APP_ROOT`.

c. For **Value**, enter the path to the app, for example `apps/app1`.

d. For **Branch**, by default Amplify applies the environment variable to all branches.

6. Choose **Save**.

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### Configuring Turborepo and pnpm monorepo apps

The Turborepo and pnpm workspace monorepo build tools get configuration information from `.npmrc` files. When you deploy a monorepo app created with one of these tools, you must have an `.npmrc` file in your project root directory.

In the `.npmrc` file, set the linker for installing Node packages to `hoisted`. You can copy the following line to your file.

```text
node-linker=hoisted
```

For more information about `.npmrc` files and settings, see [pnpm .npmrc](https://pnpm.io/docs/npnmc) in the [pnpm documentation](https://pnpm.io/docs).

Pnpm is not included in the Amplify default build container. For pnpm workspace and Turborepo apps, you must add a command to install pnpm in the `preBuild` phase of your app's build settings.

The following example excerpt from a build specification shows a `preBuild` phase with a command to install pnpm.

```json
version: 1
applications:
  - frontend:
      phases:
        preBuild:
          commands:
            - npm install -g pnpm
```
Feature branch deployments and team workflows

Amplify Hosting is designed to work with feature branch and GitFlow workflows. Amplify leverages Git branches to create new deployments every time a developer connects a new branch in their repository. After connecting your first branch, you can create a new feature branch deployment by adding a branch as follows:

1. On the branch list page, choose **Connect branch**.
2. Choose a branch from your repository.
3. Save and then deploy your app.

Your app now has two deployments available at https://main.appid.amplifyapp.com and https://dev.appid.amplifyapp.com. This may vary from team-to-team, but typically the **main branch** tracks release code and is your production branch. The **develop branch** is used as an integration branch to test new features. This enables beta testers to test unreleased features on the develop branch deployment, without affecting any of the production end users on the main branch deployment.

Topics
- Team workflows with Amplify backend environments (p. 56)
- Pattern-based feature branch deployments (p. 63)
- Automatic build-time generation of Amplify config (p. 65)
- Conditional backend builds (p. 66)
- Use Amplify backends across apps (p. 66)
Team workflows with Amplify backend environments

A feature branch deployment consists of a **frontend**, and an optional **backend** environment. The frontend is built and deployed to a global content delivery network (CDN), while the backend is deployed by Amplify Studio or the Amplify CLI to AWS. For more information about this deployment scenario, see *Getting started with fullstack continuous deployments (p. 9)*.

**Note**
You can easily reuse Amplify backend environments across your Amplify apps. For more information, see *Use Amplify backends across apps (p. 66)*.

Amplify Hosting continuously deploys backend resources such as GraphQL APIs and Lambda functions with your feature branch deployments. You can use the following branching models to deploy your backend and frontend with Amplify Hosting.

**Topics**
- Feature branch workflow (p. 56)
- GitFlow workflow (p. 61)
- Per-developer sandbox (p. 61)

**Feature branch workflow**
- Create **prod**, **test**, and **dev** backend environments with Amplify Studio or the Amplify CLI.
- Map the **prod** backend to the **main** branch.
- Map the **test** backend to the **develop** branch.
- Team members can use the **dev** backend environment for testing individual **feature** branches.
1. Install the Amplify CLI to initialize a new Amplify project.

   ```
   npm install -g @aws-amplify/cli
   ```

2. Initialize a `prod` backend environment for your project. If you don't have a project, create one using bootstrap tools like create-react-app or Gatsby.

   ```
   create-react-app next-unicorn
cd next-unicorn
amplify init
   ? Do you want to use an existing environment? (Y/n): n
   ? Enter a name for the environment: prod
   ...
   amplify push
   ```

3. Add test and `dev` backend environments.

   ```
   amplify env add
   ? Do you want to use an existing environment? (Y/n): n
   ? Enter a name for the environment: test
   ...
   amplify push
   ```

   ```
   amplify env add
   ? Do you want to use an existing environment? (Y/n): n
   ? Enter a name for the environment: dev
   ...
   amplify push
   ```

4. Push code to a Git repository of your choice (in this example we'll assume you pushed to main).

   ```
   git commit -am 'Added dev, test, and prod environments'
   ```
5. Visit Amplify in the AWS Management Console to see your current backend environment. Navigate a level up from the breadcrumb to view a list of all backend environments created in the **Backend environments** tab.

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**quick-notes**

The app homepage lists all deployed frontend and backend environments.

<table>
<thead>
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<td><strong>prod</strong></td>
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<td><strong>test</strong></td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>dev</strong></td>
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Each backend environment is a container for all of the cloud capabilities added to your app. An Amplify backend environment contains the list of categories enabled such as API, auth, and storage.

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6. Switch to the **Frontend environments** tab and connect your repository provider and *main* branch.
7. In the build settings screen, pick an existing backend environment to set up continuous deployment with the main branch. Choose `prod` from the dropdown and grant the service role to Amplify. Choose `Save and deploy`. After the build completes you will get a main branch deployment available at https://main.appid.amplifyapp.com.

8. Connect `develop` branch in Amplify (assume `develop` and `main` branch are the same at this point). Choose the `test` backend environment.
9. Amplify is now set up. You can start working on new features in a feature branch. Add backend functionality by using the dev backend environment from your local workstation.

```bash
git checkout -b newinternet
amplify env checkout dev
amplify add api
...
amplify push
```

10. After you finish working on the feature, commit your code, create a pull request to review internally.

```bash
git commit -am 'Decentralized internet v0.1'
git push origin newinternet
```

11. To preview what the changes will look like, go to the Amplify console and connect your feature branch. Note: If you have the AWS CLI installed on your system (Not the Amplify CLI), you can connect a branch directly from your terminal. You can find your appid by going to App settings > General > AppARN: `arn:aws:amplify:<region>:<region>:apps/<appid>`

```bash
aws amplify create-branch --app-id <appid> --branch-name <branchname>
aws amplify start-job --app-id <appid> --branch-name <branchname> --job-type RELEASE
```

12. Your feature will be accessible at `https://newinternet.appid.amplifyapp.com` to share with your teammates. If everything looks good merge the PR to the develop branch.

```bash
git checkout develop
git merge newinternet
git push
```

13. This will kickoff a build that will update the backend as well as the frontend in Amplify with a branch deployment at `https://dev.appid.amplifyapp.com`. You can share this link with internal stakeholders so they can review the new feature.
14. Delete your feature branch from Git, Amplify, and remove the backend environment from the cloud (you can always spin up a new one based on by running 'amplify env checkout prod' and running 'amplify env add').

```
git push origin --delete newinternet
aws amplify delete-branch --app-id <appid> --branch-name <branchname>
amplify env remove dev
```

**GitFlow workflow**

GitFlow uses two branches to record the history of the project. The *main* branch tracks release code only, and the *develop* branch is used as an integration branch for new features. GitFlow simplifies parallel development by isolating new development from completed work. New development (such as features and non-emergency bug fixes) is done in *feature* branches. When the developer is satisfied that the code is ready for release, the *feature* branch is merged back into the integration *develop* branch. The only commits to the main branch are merges from *release* branches and *hotfix* branches (to fix emergency bugs).

The diagram below shows a recommended setup with GitFlow. You can follow the same process as described in the feature branch workflow section above.

**Per-developer sandbox**

- Each developer in a team creates a sandbox environment in the cloud that is separate from their local computer. This allows developers to work in isolation from each other without overwriting other team members' changes.
- Each branch in Amplify has its own backend. This ensures that the Amplify uses the Git repository as a single source of truth from which to deploy changes, rather than relying on developers on the team to manually push their backend or front end to production from their local computers.
1. Install the Amplify CLI to initialize a new Amplify project.

```bash
npm install -g @aws-amplify/cli
```

2. Initialize a *mary* backend environment for your project. If you don’t have a project, create one using bootstrap tools like create-react-app or Gatsby.

```bash
cd next-unicorn
amplify init
  ? Do you want to use an existing environment? (Y/n): n
  ? Enter a name for the environment: mary
  ...
  amplify push
```

3. Push code to a Git repository of your choice (in this example we’ll assume you pushed to main).

```bash
git commit -am 'Added mary sandbox'
git push origin main
```

4. Connect your repo > *main* to Amplify.

5. The Amplify console will detect backend environments created by the Amplify CLI. Choose *Create new environment* from the dropdown and grant the service role to Amplify. Choose *Save and deploy*. After the build completes you will get a main branch deployment available at `https://main.appid.amplifyapp.com` with a new backend environment that is linked to the branch.

6. Connect *develop* branch in Amplify (assume *develop* and *main* branch are the same at this point) and choose *Create new environment*. After the build completes you will get a develop branch deployment available at `https://develop.appid.amplifyapp.com` with a new backend environment that is linked to the branch.

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**Pattern-based feature branch deployments**

Pattern-based branch deployments allow you to automatically deploy branches that match a specific pattern to Amplify. Product teams using feature branch or GitFlow workflows for their releases, can now define patterns such as 'release**' to automatically deploy Git branches that begin with 'release' to a shareable URL. [This blog post](#) describes using this feature with different team workflows.

1. Choose *App settings > General > Edit.*
2. Flip the branch autodetection switch to *Enabled.*
1. Define patterns for automatically deploying branches.
   - * – Deploys all branches in your repository.
   - release* – Deploys all branches that begin with the word ‘release.
   - release*/ – Deploys all branches that match a ‘release /’ pattern.
   - Specify multiple patterns in a comma-separated list. For example, release*, feature*.

2. Set up automatic password protection for all branches that are automatically created by setting **Branch autodetection - access control** to **Enabled**.

3. For applications built with an Amplify backend, you can choose to create a new environment or point all branches to an existing backend.
Pattern-based feature branch deployments for an app connected to a custom domain

You can use pattern-based feature branch deployments for an app connected to an Amazon Route 53 custom domain.

- For instructions on setting up pattern-based feature branch deployments, see Set up automatic subdomains for an Amazon Route 53 custom domain (p. 38).
- For instructions on connecting an Amplify app to a custom domain managed in Route 53, see Add a custom domain managed by Amazon Route 53 (p. 30).
- For more information about using Route 53, see What is Amazon Route 53.

Automatic build-time generation of Amplify config

Amplify supports the automatic build-time generation of the Amplify config aws-exports.js file. By turning off full stack CI/CD deployments, you enable your app to autogenerate the aws-exports.js file and ensure that updates are not made to your backend at build-time.

To autogenerate aws-exports.js at build-time

1. Sign in to the AWS Management Console and open the Amplify console.
2. Choose the app to edit.
3. Choose the Hosting environments tab.
4. Locate the branch to edit and choose Edit.
5. On the Edit target backend page, uncheck **Enable full-stack continuous deployments (CI/CD)** to turn off full-stack CI/CD for this backend.

6. Select an existing service role to give Amplify the permissions it requires to make changes to your app backend. If you need to create a service role, choose **Create new role**. For more information about creating a service role, see **Adding a service role** (p. 112).

7. Choose **Save**. Amplify applies these changes the next time you build the app.

### Conditional backend builds

Amplify supports conditional backend builds on all branches in an app. To configure conditional backend builds, set the `AMPLIFY_DIFF_BACKEND` environment variable to `true`. Enabling conditional backend builds will help speed up builds where changes are made only to the frontend.

When you enable diff based backend builds, at the start of each build, Amplify attempts to run a diff on the `amplify` folder in your repository. If Amplify doesn't find any differences, it skips the backend build step, and doesn't update your backend resources. If your project doesn't have an `amplify` folder in your repository, Amplify ignores the value of the `AMPLIFY_DIFF_BACKEND` environment variable. For instructions on setting the `AMPLIFY_DIFF_BACKEND` environment variable, see **Enable or disable diff based backend builds** (p. 49).

If you currently have custom commands specified in the build settings of your backend phase, conditional backend builds won't work. If you want those custom commands to run, you must move them to the frontend phase of your build settings in your app's `amplify.yml` file. For more information about updating the `amplify.yml` file, see **Build specification commands and settings** (p. 44).

### Use Amplify backends across apps

Amplify enables you to easily reuse existing backend environments across all of your apps in a given region. You can do this when you create a new app, connect a new branch to an existing app, or update an existing frontend to point to a different backend environment.
Reuse backends when creating a new app

To reuse a backend when creating a new Amplify app
1. Sign in to the AWS Management Console and open the Amplify console.
2. To create a new backend to use for this example, do the following:
   a. In the navigation pane, choose All apps.
   b. Choose New app, Build an app.
   c. Enter a name for your app, such as Example-Amplify-App.
   d. Choose Confirm deployment.
3. To connect a frontend to your new backend, choose the Hosting environments tab.
4. Choose your git provider, and then choose Connect branch.
5. On the Add repository branch page, for Recently updated repositories, choose your repository name. For Branch, select the branch from your repository to connect.
6. On the Build settings page do the following:
   a. For App name, select the app to use for adding a backend environment. You can choose the current app or any other app in the current region.
   b. For Environment, select the name of the backend environment to add. You can use an existing environment or create a new one.
   c. By default, full-stack CI/CD is turned off. Turning off full-stack CI/CD causes the app to run in pull only mode. At build time, Amplify will automatically generate the aws-exports.js file only, without modifying your backend environment.
   d. Select an existing service role to give Amplify the permissions it requires to make changes to your app backend. If you need to create a service role, choose Create new role. For more information about creating a service role, see Adding a service role (p. 112).
   e. Choose Next.
7. Choose Save and deploy.

Reuse backends when connecting a branch to an existing app

To reuse a backend when connecting a branch to an existing Amplify app
1. Sign in to the AWS Management Console and open the Amplify console.
2. Choose the app to connect a new branch to.
3. In the navigation pane, choose App Settings, General.
4. In the Branches section, choose Connect a branch.
5. On the Add repository branch page, for Branch, select the branch from your repository to connect.
6. For App name, select the app to use for adding a backend environment. You can choose the current app or any other app in the current region.
7. For Environment, select the name of the backend environment to add. You can use an existing environment or create a new one.
8. If you need to set up a service role to give Amplify the permissions it requires to make changes to your app backend, the console prompts you to perform this task. For more information about creating a service role, see Adding a service role (p. 112).
9. By default, full-stack CI/CD is turned off. Turning off full-stack CI/CD causes the app to run in pull only mode. At build time, Amplify will automatically generate the aws-exports.js file only, without modifying your backend environment.

10. Choose Next.

11. Choose Save and deploy.

**Edit an existing frontend to point to a different backend**

**To edit a frontend Amplify app to point to a different backend**

1. Sign in to the AWS Management Console and open the Amplify console.
2. Choose the app to edit the backend for.
3. Choose the Hosting environments tab.
4. Locate the branch to edit and choose Edit.

5. On the Select a backend environment to use with this branch page, for App name, select the frontend app that you want to edit the backend environment for. You can choose the current app or any other app in the current region.

6. For Backend environment, select the name of the backend environment to add.

7. By default, full-stack CI/CD is enabled. Uncheck this option to turn off full-stack CI/CD for this backend. Turning off full-stack CI/CD causes the app to run in pull only mode. At build time, Amplify will automatically generate the aws-exports.js file only, without modifying the backend environment.

8. Choose Save. Amplify applies these changes the next time you build the app.
Manual deploys

Manual deploys allows you to publish your web app with Amplify Hosting without connecting a Git provider. You can drag and drop a folder from your desktop and host your site in seconds. Alternatively, you can reference assets in an Amazon S3 bucket or specify a public URL to the location where your files are stored.

For Amazon S3, you can also set up AWS Lambda triggers to update your site each time new assets are uploaded. See the Deploy files stored on Amazon S3, Dropbox, or your Desktop to the AWS Amplify console blog post for more details about setting up this scenario.

Amplify Hosting does not support manual deploys for server-side rendered (SSR) apps. For more information, see Deploy server-side rendered apps with Amplify Hosting (p. 13).

Drag and drop manual deploy

To manually deploy an app using drag and drop
1. Sign in to the AWS Management Console and open the Amplify console.
2. How you get to the Host your web app page depends on whether you are starting from the Amplify home page or the All apps page.
   • From the Amplify home page
     a. Choose Get started.
     b. In the Deliver section, choose Get started.
   • From the All apps page
     • In the upper right corner, choose New app, Host web app
3. On the Host your web app page, choose Deploy without Git provider. Then, choose Continue.
4. In the Start a manual deployment section, for App name, enter the name of your app.
5. For Environment name, enter a meaningful name for the environment, such as development or production.
6. For Method, choose Drag and drop.
7. Either drag and drop files from your desktop onto the drop zone or use Choose files to select the files from your computer. The files that you drag and drop or select can be a folder or a zip file that contains the root of your site.
8. Choose Save and deploy.

Amazon S3 or URL manual deploy

To manually deploy an app from Amazon S3 or a public URL
1. Sign in to the AWS Management Console and open the Amplify console.
2. At the top of the page, choose Get started.
3. In the Deliver section, choose Get started.
4. On the Host your web app page, choose Deploy without Git provider. Then, choose Continue.
5. In the Start a manual deployment section, for App name, enter the name of your app.
6. For **Environment name**, enter a meaningful name for the environment, such as **development** or **production**.

7. For **Method**, choose either **Amazon S3** or **Any URL**.

8. The procedure for uploading your files depends on the upload method.
   - **Amazon S3**
     a. For **Bucket**, select the name of the Amazon S3 bucket from the list. Access control lists (ACLs) must be enabled for the bucket you select. For more information, see [Troubleshooting Amazon S3 bucket access](p. 70).
     b. For **Zip file**, select the name of the zip file to deploy.
   - **Any URL**
     a. For **Resource URL**, enter the URL to the zipped file to deploy.

9. Choose **Save and deploy**.

   **Note**
   When you create the zip folder, make sure you zip the contents of your build output and not the top level folder. For example, if your build output generates a folder named “build” or “public”, first navigate into that folder, select all of the contents, and zip it from there. If you do not do this, you will see an “Access Denied” error because the site's root directory will not be initialized properly.

**Troubleshooting Amazon S3 bucket access**

When you create an Amazon S3 bucket, you use its Amazon S3 Object Ownership setting to control whether access control lists (ACLs) are enabled or disabled for the bucket. To manually deploy an app to Amplify from an Amazon S3 bucket, ACLs must be enabled on the bucket.

If you get an AccessControlList error when you deploy from an Amazon S3 bucket, the bucket was created with ACLs disabled and you must enable them in the Amazon S3 console. For instructions, see [Setting Object Ownership on an existing bucket](in the Amazon Simple Storage Service User Guide).
Deploy to Amplify button

The **Deploy to Amplify Hosting** button enables you to share GitHub projects publicly or within your team. The following is an image of the button:

![Deploy to Amplify Hosting](https://oneclick.amplifyapp.com/button.svg)

Add the Deploy to Amplify Hosting button to a repository or blog

Add the button to your GitHub README.md file, blog post, or any other markup page that renders HTML. The button has the following two components:

1. An SVG image located at the URL https://oneclick.amplifyapp.com/button.svg
2. The Amplify console URL with a link to your GitHub repository. You can either copy your repository's URL, such as https://github.com/username/repository, or you can provide a deep link into a specific folder, such as https://github.com/username/repository/tree/branchname/folder. Amplify Hosting will deploy the default branch in your repository. Additional branches can be connected after the app is connected.

Use the following example to add the button to a markdown file, such as your GitHub README.md. Replace https://github.com/username/repository with the URL to your repository.

```
```

Use the following example to add the button to any HTML document. Replace https://github.com/username/repository with the URL to your repository.

```html
  <img src="https://oneclick.amplifyapp.com/button.svg" alt="Deploy to Amplify Hosting">
</a>
```
Setting up Amplify access to GitHub repositories

Amplify now uses the GitHub Apps feature to authorize Amplify read-only access to GitHub repositories. With the Amplify GitHub App, permissions are more fine-tuned, enabling you to grant Amplify access to only the repositories that you specify. To learn more about GitHub Apps, see About GitHub Apps on the GitHub website.

When you connect a new app stored in a GitHub repo, by default Amplify uses the GitHub App to access the repo. However, existing Amplify apps that you previously connected from GitHub repos use OAuth for access. CI/CD will continue to work for these apps, but we highly recommend that you migrate them to use the new Amplify GitHub App.

When you deploy a new app or migrate an existing app using the Amplify console, you are automatically directed to the installation location for the Amplify GitHub App. To manually access the installation landing page for the app, open a web browser and navigate to the app by region. Use the format https://github.com/apps/aws-amplify-REGION, replacing REGION with the region where you will deploy your Amplify app. For example, to install the Amplify GitHub App in the US West (Oregon) region, navigate to https://github.com/apps/aws-amplify-us-west-2.

Topics
- Installing and authorizing the Amplify GitHub App for a new deployment (p. 72)
- Migrating an existing OAuth app to the Amplify GitHub App (p. 73)
- Setting up the Amplify GitHub App for AWS CloudFormation, CLI, and SDK deployments (p. 73)
- Setting up web previews with the Amplify GitHub App (p. 75)

Installing and authorizing the Amplify GitHub App for a new deployment

When you deploy a new app to Amplify from existing code in a GitHub repo, use the following instructions to install and authorize the GitHub App.

To install and authorize the Amplify GitHub App

1. Sign in to the AWS Management Console and open the Amplify console.
2. From the All apps page, choose New app, then Host web app.
3. On the Get started with Amplify Hosting page, choose GitHub, then choose Continue.
4. If this is the first time connecting a GitHub repository, a new page opens in your browser on GitHub.com, requesting permission to authorize AWS Amplify in your GitHub account. Choose Authorize.
5. Next, you must install the Amplify GitHub App in your GitHub account. A page opens on Github.com requesting permission to install and authorize AWS Amplify in your GitHub account.
6. Select the GitHub account where you want to install the Amplify GitHub App.
7. Do one of the following:
   - To apply the installation to all repositories, choose All repositories.
   - To limit the installation to the specific repositories that you select, choose Only select repositories. Make sure to include the repo for the app that you are migrating in the repos that you select.
Migrating an existing OAuth app to the Amplify GitHub App

Existing Amplify apps that you previously connected from GitHub repositories use OAuth for repo access. We strongly recommend that you migrate these apps to use the Amplify GitHub App. Use the following instructions to migrate an app and delete its corresponding OAuth webhook in your GitHub account. Note that the procedure for migrating varies depending on whether the Amplify GitHub app is already installed. After you migrate your first app and install and authorize the GitHub App, you only need to update the repository permissions for subsequent app migrations.

**To migrate an app from OAuth to the GitHub App**

1. Sign in to the AWS Management Console and open the Amplify console.
2. Choose the app that you want to migrate.
3. On the app's information page, locate the blue Migrate to our GitHub App message and choose Start migration.
5. A new page opens in your browser on GitHub.com, requesting permission to authorize AWS Amplify in your GitHub account. Choose Authorize.
6. Select the GitHub account where you want to install the Amplify GitHub App.
7. Do one of the following:
   - To apply the installation to all repositories, choose All repositories.
   - To limit the installation to the specific repositories that you select, choose Only select repositories. Make sure to include the repo for the app that you are migrating in the repositories that you select.
8. Choose Install & Authorize.
9. You are redirected to the Install and authorize GitHub App page for your app in the Amplify console. If GitHub authorization was successful, you will see a success message. Choose, Next.
10. On the Complete installation page, choose Complete installation. This step deletes your existing webhook, creates a new one, and completes the migration.

Setting up the Amplify GitHub App for AWS CloudFormation, CLI, and SDK deployments

Existing Amplify apps that you previously connected from GitHub repositories use OAuth for repo access. This can include apps that you deployed using the Amplify Command Line Interface (CLI), AWS CloudFormation, or the SDKs. We strongly recommend that you migrate these apps to use the new...
Amplify GitHub App. Migration must be performed in the Amplify console in the AWS Management Console. For instructions, see Migrating an existing OAuth app to the Amplify GitHub App (p. 73).

You can use AWS CloudFormation, the Amplify CLI, and the SDKs to deploy a new Amplify app that uses the GitHub App for repo access. This process requires that you first install the Amplify GitHub App in your GitHub account. Next, you will need to generate a personal access token in your GitHub account. Lastly, deploy the app and specify the personal access token.

Install the Amplify GitHub App in your account

1. Open a web browser and navigate to the installation location for the Amplify GitHub App in the AWS Region where you will deploy your app.

   Use the format https://github.com/apps/aws-amplify-REGION/installations/new, replacing REGION with your own input. For example, if you are installing your app in the US West (Oregon) region, specify https://github.com/apps/aws-amplify-us-west-2/installations/new.

2. Select the GitHub account where you want to install the Amplify GitHub app.

3. Do one of the following:
   - To apply the installation to all repositories, choose All repositories.
   - To limit the installation to the specific repositories that you select, choose Only select repositories. Make sure to include the repo for the app that you are migrating in the repos that you select.

4. Choose Install.

Generate a personal access token in your GitHub account

1. Sign in to your GitHub account.
2. In the upper right corner, locate your profile photo and choose Settings from the menu.
3. In the left navigation menu, choose Developer settings.
4. On the GitHub Apps page, in the left navigation menu, choose Personal access tokens.
5. On the Personal access tokens page, choose Generate new token.
6. On the New personal access token page, for Note enter a descriptive name for the token.
7. In the Select scopes section, select admin:repo_hook.
8. Choose Generate token.
9. Copy and save the personal access token. You will need to provide it when you deploy an Amplify app with the CLI, AWS CloudFormation, or the SDKs.

After the Amplify GitHub app is installed in your GitHub account and you have generated a personal access token, you can deploy a new app with the Amplify CLI, AWS CloudFormation, or the SDKs. Use the accessToken field to specify the personal access token that you created in the previous procedure. For more information, see CreateApp in the Amplify API reference and AWS::Amplify::App in the AWS CloudFormation User Guide.

The following CLI command deploys a new Amplify app that uses the GitHub App for repository access. Replace myapp-using-githubapp, https://github.com/Myaccount/react-app, and MY_TOKEN with your own information.

```
aws amplify create-app --name myapp-using-githubapp --repository https://github.com/Myaccount/react-app --access-token MY_TOKEN
```
Setting up web previews with the Amplify GitHub App

A web preview deploys every pull request (PR) made to your GitHub repository to a unique preview URL. Previews now use the Amplify GitHub App for access to your GitHub repo. For instructions on installing and authorizing the GitHub App for web previews, see Enable web previews (p. 76).
Web previews for pull requests

Web previews offer development and quality assurance (QA) teams a way to preview changes from pull requests (PRs) before merging code to a production or integration branch. Pull requests let you tell others about changes you’ve pushed to a branch in a repository. After a pull request is opened, you can discuss and review the potential changes with collaborators and add follow-up commits before your changes are merged into the base branch.

**Note**
Currently, Amplify’s preview branch support for GitLab, BitBucket, and AWS CodeCommit doesn’t have full feature parity with GitHub. The AWS_PULL_REQUEST_ID environment variable is only available when using GitHub as your repository provider.

A web preview deploys every pull request made to your repository to a unique preview URL which is completely different from the URL your main site uses. For apps with backend environments provisioned using the Amplify CLI or Amplify Studio, every pull request (private Git repositories only) spins up an ephemeral backend that is deleted when the PR is closed.

**Important**
For security purposes, you can enable web previews on all apps with private repositories, but not on all apps with public repositories. If your Git repository is public, you can set up previews only for apps that don't require an IAM service role. For example, apps with backends and apps that are deployed to the WEB_COMPUTE hosting platform require an IAM service role. Therefore, you can't enable web previews for these types of apps if their repository is public. Amplify enforces this restriction to prevent third parties from submitting arbitrary code that would run using your app’s IAM role permissions.

Enable web previews

For apps stored in a GitHub repo, previews use the Amplify GitHub App for repo access. If you are enabling web previews on an existing Amplify app that you previously deployed from a GitHub repo using OAuth for access, you must first migrate the app to use the Amplify GitHub App. For migration instructions, see [Migrating an existing OAuth app to the Amplify GitHub App](p. 73).

**To enable web previews for pull requests**

1. Choose **App settings**, **Previews** and then choose **Enable previews**.

**Note**
Previews is visible in the **App settings** menu only when an app is set up for continuous deployment and connected to a git repository. For instructions on this type of deployment, see [Getting started with existing code](p. 3).
2. For GitHub repositories only, do the following to install and authorize the Amplify GitHub App in your account:
   a. In the **Install GitHub App to enable previews** window, choose **Install GitHub app**.
   b. Select the GitHub account where you want to configure the Amplify GitHub App.
   c. A page opens on Github.com to configure repository permissions for your account.
   d. Do one of the following:
      - To apply the installation to all repositories, choose **All repositories**.
      - To limit the installation to the specific repositories that you select, choose **Only select repositories**. Make sure to include the repo for the app that you are enabling web previews for in the repositories that you select.
   e. Choose **Save**

3. After you enable previews for your repo, return to the Amplify console to enable previews for specific branches. On the **Previews** page, select a branch from the list and choose **Manage**.

4. In the **Manage preview settings for branch** window, turn on **Pull request previews**.
5. For fullstack applications do one of the following:
   - Choose, **Create new backend environment for every Pull Request**. This option enables you to test changes without impacting production.
   - Choose **Point all Pull Requests for this branch to an existing environment**.
6. Choose **Confirm**.

The next time you submit a pull request for the branch, Amplify builds and deploys your PR to a preview URL.

For GitHub repositories only, you can access a preview of your URL directly from the pull request in your GitHub account.
After the pull request is closed, the preview URL is deleted, and any temporary backend environment linked to the pull request is deleted.

Web preview access with subdomains

Web previews from pull requests are accessible with subdomains for an Amplify app that is connected to a custom domain managed by Amazon Route 53. When the pull request is closed, branches and subdomains associated with the pull request are automatically deleted. This is the default behavior for web previews after you set up pattern-based feature branch deployments for your app. For instructions on setting up automatic subdomains, see Set up automatic subdomains for an Amazon Route 53 custom domain (p. 38).
Add end-to-end Cypress tests to your Amplify app

You can run end-to-end (E2E) tests in the test phase of your Amplify app to catch regressions before pushing code to production. The test phase can be configured in the build specification YAML. Currently, you can run only the Cypress testing framework during a build.

Tutorial: Set up end-to-end tests with Cypress

Cypress is a JavaScript-based testing framework that allows you to run E2E tests on a browser. For a tutorial that demonstrates how to set up E2E tests, see the blog post Running end-to-end Cypress tests for your fullstack CI/CD deployment with Amplify.

Add tests to your existing Amplify app

You can add Cypress tests to an existing app by updating the app’s build settings in the Amplify console. The build specification YAML contains a collection of build commands and related settings that Amplify uses to run your build. Use the test step to run any test commands at build time. For E2E tests, Amplify Hosting offers a deeper integration with Cypress that allows you to generate a UI report for your tests.

The following list describes the test settings and how they are used.

preTest

Install the dependencies required to run Cypress tests. Amplify Hosting uses mochawesome to generate a report to view your test results and wait-on to set up the localhost server during the build.

test

Run cypress commands to perform tests using mochawesome.

postTest

The mochawesome report is generated from the output JSON. Note that if you are using Yarn, you must run this command in silent mode to generate the mochawesome report. For Yarn, you can use the following command.

```
```

artifacts>baseDirectory

The directory from which tests are run.

artifacts>configFilePath

The generated test report data.
Disabling tests

After the test configuration has been added to your `amplify.yml` build settings, the test step runs for every build, on every branch. If you want to globally disable tests from running, or only run tests for specific branches, you can use the `USER_DISABLE_TESTS` environment variable without modifying your build settings.

To **globally** disable tests for all branches, add the `USER_DISABLE_TESTS` environment variable with a value of `true` for all branches. The following screenshot, shows the **Environment variables** section in the Amplify console with tests disabled for all branches.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Variable</th>
<th>Value</th>
<th>Branch</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>USER_DISABLE_TESTS</td>
<td>true</td>
<td>All branches</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

To disable tests for a specific branch, add the `USER_DISABLE_TESTS` environment variable with a value of `false` for all branches, and then add an override for each branch you want to disable with a value of
true. In the following screenshot, tests are disabled on the main branch, and enabled for every other branch.

Disabling tests with this variable will cause the test step to be skipped altogether during a build. To re-enable tests, set this value to false, or delete the environment variable.
Using redirects

Redirects enable a web server to reroute navigation from one URL to another. Common reasons for using redirects include to customize the appearance of a URL, to avoid broken links, to move the hosting location of an app or site without changing its address, and to change a requested URL to the form needed by a web app.

Types of redirects

Amplify supports the following redirect types in the console.

Permanent redirect (301)

301 redirects are intended for lasting changes to the destination of a web address. Search engine ranking history of the original address applies to the new destination address. Redirection occurs on the client-side, so a browser navigation bar shows the destination address after redirection.

Common reasons to use 301 redirects include:

• To avoid a broken link when the address of a page changes.
• To avoid a broken link when a user makes a predictable typo in an address.

Temporary redirect (302)

302 redirects are intended for temporary changes to the destination of a web address. Search engine ranking history of the original address doesn't apply to the new destination address. Redirection occurs on the client-side, so a browser navigation bar shows the destination address after redirection.

Common reasons to use 302 redirects include:

• To provide a detour destination while repairs are made to an original address.
• To provide test pages for A/B comparison of a user interface.

Note

If your app is returning an unexpected 302 response, the error is likely caused by changes you've made to your app's redirect and custom header configuration. To resolve this issue, verify that your custom headers are valid, and then re-enable the default 404 rewrite rule for your app.

Rewrite (200)

200 redirects (rewrites) are intended to show content from the destination address as if it were served from the original address. Search engine ranking history continues to apply to the original address. Redirection occurs on the server-side, so a browser navigation bar shows the original address after redirection. Common reasons to use 200 redirects include:

• To redirect an entire site to a new hosting location without changing the address of the site.
• To redirect all traffic to a single page web app (SPA) to its index.html page for handling by a client-side router function.

Not Found (404)
404 redirects occur when a request points to an address that doesn't exist. The destination page of a 404 is displayed instead of the requested one. Common reasons a 404 redirect occurs include:

- To avoid a broken link message when a user enters a bad URL.
- To point requests to nonexistent pages of a web app to its index.html page for handling by a client-side router function.

Creating and editing redirects

You can create and edit redirects for an app in the Amplify console. Before you get started, you will need the following information about the parts of a redirect.

**An original address**

The address the user requested.

**A destination address**

The address that actually serves the content that the user sees.

**A redirect type**

Types include a permanent redirect (301), a temporary redirect (302), a rewrite (200), or not found (404).

**A two letter country code (optional)**

A value you can include to segment the user experience of your app by geographical region.

To create a redirect in the Amplify console

1. Sign in to the AWS Management Console and open the Amplify console.
2. Choose the app you want to create a redirect for.
3. In the navigation pane, choose App settings, and then choose Rewrites and redirects.
4. In the Rewrites and redirects section, choose Edit.
5. The procedure for adding a redirect varies depending on whether you want to add rules individually or do a bulk edit:
   - To create an individual redirect, choose Add rule.
     a. For **Source address**, enter the original address the user requested.
     b. For **Target address**, enter the destination address that renders the content to the user.
     c. For **Type**, choose the type of redirect from the list.
     d. (Optional) For **Country code**, enter a two letter country code condition.
   - To bulk edit redirects, choose Open text editor.
     • Manually add or update redirects in the Bulk add rewrites and redirects JSON editor.
6. Choose Save.

Order of redirects

Redirects are executed from the top of the list down. Make sure that your ordering has the effect you intend. For example, the following order of redirects causes all requests for a given path under /docs/ to redirect to the same path under /documents/, except /docs/specific-filename.html which redirects to /documents/different-filename.html:
Query parameters

You can use query parameters for more control over your URL matches. Amplify forwards all query parameters to the destination path for 301 and 302 redirects, with the following exceptions:

- If the original address includes a query string set to a specific value, Amplify doesn't forward query parameters. In this case, the redirect only applies to requests to the destination URL with the specified query value.
- If the destination address for the matching rule has query parameters, query parameters aren't forwarded. For example, if the destination address for the redirect is `https://example-target.com?q=someParam`, query parameters aren't passed through.

Simple redirects and rewrites

In this section we include example code for common redirect scenarios.

You can use the following example code to permanently redirect a specific page to a new address.

**Simple redirects**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Original address</th>
<th>Destination Address</th>
<th>Redirect Type</th>
<th>Country Code</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>/original.html</td>
<td>/destination.html</td>
<td>permanent redirect</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>(301)</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

JSON [{"source": "/original.html", "status": "301", "target": "/destination.html", "condition": null}]

You can use the following example code to redirect any path under a folder to the same path under a different folder.

**Simple redirects**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Original address</th>
<th>Destination Address</th>
<th>Redirect Type</th>
<th>Country Code</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>/docs/&lt;*&gt;</td>
<td>/documents/&lt;*&gt;</td>
<td>permanent redirect</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>(301)</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

JSON [{"source": "/docs/<*>", "status": "301", "target": "/documents/<*>", "condition": null}]

You can use the following example code to redirect all traffic to index.html as a rewrite. In this scenario, the rewrite makes it appear to the user that they have arrived at the original address.

**Rewrites**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Original address</th>
<th>Destination Address</th>
<th>Redirect Type</th>
<th>Country Code</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>&lt;*&gt;</td>
<td>/index.html</td>
<td>rewrite (200)</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

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You can use the following example code to use a rewrite to change the subdomain that appears to the user.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Original address</th>
<th>Destination Address</th>
<th>Redirect Type</th>
<th>Country Code</th>
</tr>
</thead>
</table>

You can use the following example code to redirect to a different domain with a path prefix.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Original address</th>
<th>Destination Address</th>
<th>Redirect Type</th>
<th>Country Code</th>
</tr>
</thead>
</table>

You can use the following example code to redirect paths under a folder that can't be found to a custom 404 page.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Original address</th>
<th>Destination Address</th>
<th>Redirect Type</th>
<th>Country Code</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td><em>/&lt;</em>&gt;</td>
<td>/404.html</td>
<td>not found (404)</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Redirects for single page web apps (SPA)

Most SPA frameworks support HTML5 history.pushState() to change browser location without triggering a server request. This works for users who begin their journey from the root (or /index.html), but fails for users who navigate directly to any other page.

The following example uses regular expressions to set up a 200 rewrite for all files to index.html, except for the file extensions specified in the regular expression.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Original address</th>
<th>Destination Address</th>
<th>Redirect Type</th>
<th>Country Code</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>*/[^.]+$.(?!css</td>
<td>gif</td>
<td>ico</td>
<td>jpg</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Reverse proxy rewrite

The following example uses a rewrite to proxy content from another location so that it appears to the user that the domain hasn’t changed.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Original address</th>
<th>Destination Address</th>
<th>Redirect Type</th>
<th>Country Code</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>/images/&lt;*&gt;</td>
<td><a href="https://images.otherdomain.com/">https://images.otherdomain.com/</a>&lt;*&gt;</td>
<td>rewrite (200)</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

JSON ["source": "/images/<*>", "status": 200, "target": "https://images.otherdomain.com/<*>", "condition": null]

Trailing slashes and clean URLs

To create clean URL structures like about instead of about.html, static site generators such as Hugo generate directories for pages with an index.html (/about/index.html). Amplify automatically creates clean URLs by adding a trailing slash when required. The table below highlights different scenarios:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>User inputs in browser</th>
<th>URL in the address bar</th>
<th>Document served</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>/about</td>
<td>/about</td>
<td>/about.html</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>/about (when about.html returns 404)</td>
<td>/about/</td>
<td>/about/index.html</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>/about/</td>
<td>/about/</td>
<td>/about/index.html</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Placeholders

You can use the following example code to redirect paths in a folder structure to a matching structure in another folder.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Original address</th>
<th>Destination Address</th>
<th>Redirect Type</th>
<th>Country Code</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>/docs/&lt;year&gt;/&lt;month&gt;/&lt;date&gt;/&lt;itemid&gt;</td>
<td>/documents/&lt;year&gt;/&lt;month&gt;/&lt;date&gt;/&lt;itemid&gt;</td>
<td>permanent redirect (301)</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

JSON ["source": "/docs/<year>/<month>/<date>/<itemid>", "status": 301, "target": "/documents/<year>/<month>/<date>/<itemid>", "condition": null]

Query strings and path parameters

You can use the following example code to redirect a path to a folder with a name that matches the value of a query string element in the original address:
Region-based redirects

You can use the following example code to redirect requests based on region.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Original address</th>
<th>Destination Address</th>
<th>Redirect Type</th>
<th>Country Code</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>/documents</td>
<td>/documents/us/</td>
<td>302</td>
<td>&lt;US&gt;</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

JSON [{"source": "/documents", "status": "302", "target": "/documents/us/", "condition": "<US>"}]
Restricting access to branches

If you are working on unreleased features, you can password protect feature branches that are not ready to be publicly accessed. When access control is set on a branch, users are prompted for a user name and password when they attempt to access the URL for the branch.

To set passwords on feature branches

1. Sign in to the AWS Management Console and open the Amplify console.
2. Choose the app you want to set feature branch passwords on.
3. In the navigation pane, choose App settings, and then choose Access control.
4. In the Access control settings section, choose Manage access.
5. Do one of the following in Access control settings:
   - To set a username and password that applies to all connected branches, turn on Apply a global password. For example, if you have main, dev, and feature branches connected, you can use a global password to set the same username and password for all branches.
   - To apply a username and password to an individual branch, turn off Apply a global password. For the branch that you want to set a unique username and password for, choose Restricted-password required for Access setting and enter a username and password.
6. If you are managing access control for a server-side rendered (SSR) app, redeploy the app by performing a new build from your Git repository. This step is required to enable Amplify to apply your access control settings.
Environment variables

Environment variables are key-value pairs that you can add to your application's settings to make them available to Amplify Hosting. As a best practice, you can use environment variables to expose application configuration data. All environment variables that you add are encrypted to prevent rogue access.

**Important**
Don't use environment variables to store secrets. Store secrets in an environment secret created using the AWS Systems Manager Parameter Store. For more information, see [Environment secrets (p. 95)](#).  

**Note**
Environment variables is visible in the Amplify console's [App settings](#) menu only when an app is set up for continuous deployment and connected to a git repository. For instructions on this type of deployment, see [Getting started with existing code (p. 3)](#).

### Amplify environment variables

The following environment variables are accessible by default within the Amplify console.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Variable name</th>
<th>Description</th>
<th>Example value</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>AWS_APP_ID</td>
<td>The app ID of the current build</td>
<td>abcd1234</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>AWS_BRANCH</td>
<td>The branch name of the current build</td>
<td>main, develop, beta, v2.0</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>AWS_BRANCH_ARN</td>
<td>The branch Amazon Resource Name (ARN) of the current build</td>
<td>aws:arn:amplify:us-west-2:123456789012:appname/branch/...</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>AWS_CLONE_URL</td>
<td>The clone URL used to fetch the git repository contents</td>
<td><a href="mailto:git@github.com">git@github.com</a>:&lt;username&gt;/&lt;repo-name&gt;.git</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>AWS_COMMIT_ID</td>
<td>The commit ID of the current build</td>
<td>abcd1234</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>AWS_JOB_ID</td>
<td>The job ID of the current build. This includes some padding of '0' so it always has the same length.</td>
<td>00000000001</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>AWS_PULL_REQUEST_ID</td>
<td>The pull request ID of the web preview build. This environment variable is only available when using GitHub as your repository provider.</td>
<td>1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>_LIVE_UPDATES</td>
<td>The tool will be upgraded to the latest version.</td>
<td>[{“name”:“Amplify CLI”,”pkg”:“@aws-amplify/cli”,”type”:“npm”,”version”:“latest”}]</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
## Amplify environment variables

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Variable name</th>
<th>Description</th>
<th>Example value</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>USER_DISABLE_TESTS</td>
<td>The test step is skipped during a build. You can disable tests for all branches or specific branches in an app. This environment variable is used for apps that perform tests during the build phase. For more information about setting this variable, see [Disabling tests](p. 80).</td>
<td>true</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>AMPLIFY_FACEBOOK_CLIENT_ID</td>
<td>The Facebook client ID</td>
<td>123456</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>AMPLIFY_FACEBOOK_CLIENT_SECRET</td>
<td>The Facebook client secret</td>
<td>example123456</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>AMPLIFY_GOOGLE_CLIENT_ID</td>
<td>The Google client ID</td>
<td>123456</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>AMPLIFY_GOOGLE_CLIENT_SECRET</td>
<td>The Google client secret</td>
<td>example123456</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>AMPLIFY_AMAZON_CLIENT_ID</td>
<td>The Amazon client ID</td>
<td>123456</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>AMPLIFY_AMAZON_CLIENT_SECRET</td>
<td>The Amazon client secret</td>
<td>example123456</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>AMPLIFY_DIFF_DEPLOY</td>
<td>Enable or disable diff based frontend deployment. For more information, see [Enable or disable diff based frontend build and deploy](p. 48).</td>
<td>true</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>AMPLIFY_DIFF_DEPLOY_ROOT</td>
<td>The path to use for diff based frontend deployment comparisons, relative to the root of your repository.</td>
<td>dist</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>AMPLIFY_DIFF_BACKEND</td>
<td>Enable or disable diff based backend builds. For more information, see [Enable or disable diff based backend builds](p. 49)</td>
<td>true</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>AMPLIFY_BACKEND_PULL_ONLY</td>
<td>Amplify manages this environment variable. For more information, see [Edit an existing frontend to point to a different backend](p. 68)</td>
<td>true</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>AMPLIFY_BACKEND_APP_ID</td>
<td>Amplify manages this environment variable. For more information, see [Edit an existing frontend to point to a different backend](p. 68)</td>
<td>abcd1234</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Variable name</td>
<td>Description</td>
<td>Example value</td>
</tr>
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<td>-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------</td>
<td>--------------------------------------</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>AMPLIFY_SKIP_BACKEND_BUILD</td>
<td>If you do not have a backend section in your build specification and want to disable backend builds, set this environment variable to <code>true</code>.</td>
<td><code>true</code></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>AMPLIFY_MONOREPO_APP_ROOT</td>
<td>The path to use to specify the app root of a monorepo app, relative to the root of your repository.</td>
<td><code>apps/react-app</code></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>_BUILD_TIMEOUT</td>
<td>The build timeout duration in minutes</td>
<td><code>30</code></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>AMPLIFY_USERPOOL_ID</td>
<td>The ID for the Amazon Cognito user pool imported for auth</td>
<td><code>us-west-2_example</code></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>AMPLIFY_WEBCLIENT_ID</td>
<td>The ID for the app client to be used by web applications</td>
<td><code>123456</code></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>AMPLIFY_NATIVECLIENT_ID</td>
<td>The ID for the app client to be used by native applications</td>
<td><code>123456</code></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>AMPLIFY_IDENTITYPOOL_ID</td>
<td>The ID for the Amazon Cognito identity pool</td>
<td><code>example-identitypool-id</code></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>AMPLIFY_PERMISSIONS_BOUNDARY_ARN</td>
<td>The ARN for the IAM policy to use as a permissions boundary that applies to all IAM roles created by Amplify. For more information, see IAM Permissions Boundary for Amplify-generated roles.</td>
<td><code>arn:aws:iam::123456789012:policy/example-policy</code></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>AMPLIFY_DESTRUCTIVE_UPDATES</td>
<td>Set this environment variable to <code>true</code> to allow a GraphQL API to be updated with schema operations that can potentially cause data loss. For more information, see Update schema.</td>
<td><code>true</code></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Set environment variables

To set environment variables

1. Sign in to the AWS Management Console and open the Amplify console.
2. In the Amplify console, choose App Settings, and then choose Environment variables.
3. In the Environment variables section, choose Manage variables.
4. In the Manage variables section, under Variable, enter your key. For Value, enter your value. By default, Amplify applies the environment variables across all branches, so you don't have to re-enter variables when you connect a new branch.

5. (Optional) To customize an environment variable specifically for a branch, add a branch override as follows:
   a. Choose Actions and then choose Add variable override.
   b. You now have a set of environment variables specific to your branch.

Note
The AMPLIFY_AMAZON_CLIENT_ID and AMPLIFY_AMAZON_CLIENT_SECRET environment variables are OAuth tokens, not an AWS access key and secret key.
6. Choose Save.

Access environment variables at build time

To access an environment variable during a build, edit your build settings to include the environment variable in your build commands.

To edit build settings to include an environment variable

1. Sign in to the AWS Management Console and open the Amplify console.
2. In the Amplify console, choose App Settings, then choose Build settings.
3. In the App build specification section, choose Edit.
4. Add the environment variable to your build command. You should now be able to access your environment variable during your next build. This example changes the npm's behavior (BUILD_ENV) and adds an API token (TWITCH_CLIENT_ID) for an external service to an environment file for later use.

```plaintext
build:
  commands:
  - npm run build:$BUILD_ENV
  - echo "TWITCH_CLIENT_ID=$TWITCH_CLIENT_ID" >> backend/.env
```

Each command in your build configuration runs inside a Bash shell. For more information on working with environment variables in Bash, see Shell Expansions in the GNU Bash Manual.

Making environment variables accessible to server-side runtimes

A Next.js server component doesn't have access to your app's environment variables by default. This behavior is intentional to protect any secrets stored in environment variables that your application uses during the build phase.

To make specific environment variables accessible to Next.js, you must modify the Amplify build specification file to set the environment variables in the environment files that Next.js recognizes. This enables Amplify to load the environment variables before it builds the application. For more information about modifying your build specification, see examples of how to add environment variables in the build commands section (p. 19).

Create a new backend environment with authentication parameters for social sign-in

To connect a branch to an app

1. Sign in to the AWS Management Console and open the Amplify console.
2. The procedure for connecting a branch to an app varies depending on whether you are connecting a branch to a new app or an existing app.
• Connecting a branch to a new app
  a. On the Build settings page, locate the Select a backend environment to use with this branch section. For Environment, choose Create new environment, and enter the name of your backend environment. The following screenshot shows the Select a backend environment to use with this branch section of the Build settings page with backend entered for the backend environment name.

  b. Expand the Advanced settings section on the Build settings page and add environment variables for social sign-in keys. For example, AMPLIFY_FACEBOOK_CLIENT_SECRET is a valid environment variable. For the list of Amplify system environment variables that are available by default, see the table in Amplify environment variables (p. 89).

• Connecting a branch to an existing app
  a. If you are connecting a new branch to an existing app, set the social sign-in environment variables before connecting the branch. In the navigation pane, choose App Settings, Environment variables.
  b. In the Environment variables section, choose Manage variables.
  c. In the Manage variables section, choose Add variable.
  d. For Variable (key), enter your client ID. For Value, enter your client secret.
  e. Choose, Save.

Frontend framework environment variables

If you are developing your app with a frontend framework that supports its own environment variables, it is important to understand that these are not the same as the environment variables you configure in the Amplify console. For example, React (prefixed REACT_APP) and Gatsby (prefixed GATSBY), enable you to create runtime environment variables that those frameworks automatically bundle into your frontend production build. To understand the effects of using these environment variables to store values, refer to the documentation for the frontend framework you are using.

Storing sensitive values, such as API keys, inside these frontend framework prefixed environment variables is not a best practice and is highly discouraged. For an example of using Amplify's build time environment variables for this purpose, see Access environment variables at build time (p. 93).
Environment secrets

Environment secrets are similar to environment variables, but they are AWS Systems Manager (SSM) Parameter Store key value pairs that can be encrypted. Some values must be encrypted, such as the Sign in with Apple private key for Amplify.

Set environment secrets

Use the following instructions to set an environment secret for an Amplify app using the AWS Systems Manager console.

To set an environment secret

1. Sign in to the AWS Management Console and open the AWS Systems Manager console.
2. In the navigation pane, choose Application Management, then choose Parameter Store.
3. On the AWS Systems Manager Parameter Store page, choose Create parameter.
4. On the Create parameter page, in the Parameter details section, do the following:
   a. For Name, enter a parameter in the format `/amplify/{your_app_id}/ {your_backend_environment_name}/{your_parameter_name}`.
   b. For Type, choose SecureString.
   c. For KMS key source, choose My current account to use the default key for your account.
   d. For Value, enter your secret value to encrypt.
5. Choose, Create parameter.

Note

Amplify only has access to the keys under the `/amplify/{your_app_id}/ {your_backend_environment_name}` for the specific environment build. You must specify the default AWS KMS key to allow Amplify to decrypt the value.

Access environment secrets

Accessing an environment secret during a build is similar to accessing environment variables (p. 93), except that environment secrets are stored in `process.env.secrets` as a JSON string.

Amplify environment secrets

Specify an Systems Manager parameter in the format `/amplify/{your_app_id}/ {your_backend_environment_name}/AMPLIFY_SIWA_CLIENT_ID`.

You can use the following environment secrets that are accessible by default within the Amplify console.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Variable name</th>
<th>Description</th>
<th>Example value</th>
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<tr>
<td>AMPLIFY_SIWA_CLIENT_ID</td>
<td>The Sign in with Apple client ID</td>
<td>com.yourapp.auth</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>AMPLIFY_SIWA_TEAM_ID</td>
<td>The Sign in with Apple team ID</td>
<td>ABCD123</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>AMPLIFY_SIWA_KEY_ID</td>
<td>The Sign in with Apple key ID</td>
<td>ABCD123</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>AMPLIFY_SIWA_PRIVATE_KEY</td>
<td>The Sign in with Apple private key</td>
<td>-----BEGIN PRIVATE KEY-----</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Variable name</td>
<td>Description</td>
<td>Example value</td>
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<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>-----END PRIVATE KEY-----</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Custom headers

Custom HTTP headers enable you to specify headers for every HTTP response. Response headers can be used for debugging, security, and informational purposes. You can specify headers in the AWS Management Console, or by downloading and editing an app's customHttp.yml file and saving it in the project's root directory. For detailed procedures, see Setting custom headers (p. 98).

Previously, custom HTTP headers were specified for an app either by editing the build specification (buildspec) in the AWS Management Console or by downloading and updating the amplify.yml file and saving it in the project's root directory. Custom headers specified in this way should be migrated out of the buildspec and the amplify.yml file. For instructions, see Migrating custom headers (p. 99).

Custom header YAML format

Specify custom headers using the following YAML format:

```yaml
customHeaders:
  - pattern: '*.json'
    headers:
      - key: 'custom-header-name-1'
        value: 'custom-header-value-1'
      - key: 'custom-header-name-2'
        value: 'custom-header-value-2'
  - pattern: '/path/**'
    headers:
      - key: 'custom-header-name-1'
        value: 'custom-header-value-2'
```

For a monorepo, use the following YAML format:

```yaml
applications:
  - appRoot: app1
    customHeaders:
      - pattern: '***/*'
        headers:
          - key: 'custom-header-name-1'
            value: 'custom-header-value-1'
  - appRoot: app2
    customHeaders:
      - pattern: '/path/**.json'
        headers:
          - key: 'custom-header-name-2'
            value: 'custom-header-value-2'
```

When you add custom headers to your app, you will specify your own values for the following:

**pattern**

Custom headers are applied all URL file paths that match the pattern.

**headers**

Defines the headers that match the file pattern.
Setting custom headers

There are two ways to specify custom HTTP headers for an AWS Amplify app. You can specify headers in the AWS Management Console or you can specify headers by downloading and editing an app's customHttp.yml file and saving it in your project's root directory.

To set custom headers for an app in the AWS Management Console

1. Sign in to the AWS Management Console and open the Amplify console.
2. Choose the app to set custom headers for.
3. In the navigation pane, choose App settings, Custom headers.
4. In the Custom header specification section, choose Edit.
5. In the Edit window, enter the information for your custom headers using the custom header YAML format (p. 97).
   a. For pattern, enter the pattern to match.
   b. For key, enter the name of the custom header.
   c. For value, enter the value of the custom header.
6. Choose Save.
7. Redeploy the app to apply the new custom headers.
   • For a CI/CD app, navigate to the branch to deploy and choose Redeploy this version. You can also perform a new build from your Git repository.
   • For a manual deploy app, deploy the app again in the Amplify console.

To set custom headers using the customHttp.yml file

1. Sign in to the AWS Management Console and open the Amplify console.
2. Choose the app to set custom headers for.
3. In the navigation pane, choose App settings, Custom headers.
4. In the Custom header specification section, choose Download.
5. Open the downloaded customHttp.yml file in the code editor of your choice and enter the information for your custom headers using the custom header YAML format (p. 97).
   a. For pattern, enter the pattern to match.
   b. For key, enter the name of the custom header.
   c. For value, enter the value of the custom header.
6. Save the edited customHttp.yml file in your project's root directory. If you are working with a monorepo, save the customHttp.yml file in the root of your repo.
7. Redeploy the app to apply the new custom headers.
   • For a CI/CD app, perform a new build from your Git repository that includes the new customHttp.yml file.
• For a manual deploy app, deploy the app again in the Amplify console and include the new customHttp.yml file with the artifacts that you upload.

Note
Custom headers set in the customHttp.yml file and deployed in the app's root directory will override custom headers defined in the Custom headers section in the AWS Management Console.

Migrating custom headers

Previously, custom HTTP headers were specified for an app either by editing the buildspec in the AWS Management Console or by downloading and updating the amplify.yml file and saving it in the project's root directory. It is strongly recommended that you migrate your custom headers out of the buildspec and the amplify.yml file.

Specify your custom headers in the Custom headers section of the AWS Management Console or by downloading and editing the customHttp.yml file.

To migrate custom headers stored in the Amplify console

1. Sign in to the AWS Management Console and open the Amplify console.
2. Choose the app to perform the custom header migration on.
3. In the navigation pane, choose App settings, Build settings. In the App build specification section, you can review your app's buildspec.
4. Choose Download to save a copy of your current buildspec. You can reference this copy later if you need to recover any settings.
5. When the download is complete, choose Edit.
6. Take note of the custom header information in the file, as you will use it later in step 9. In the Edit window, delete any custom headers from the file and choose Save.
7. In the navigation pane, choose App settings, Custom headers.
8. In the Custom header specification section, choose Edit.
9. In the Edit window, enter the information for your custom headers that you deleted in step 6.
10. Choose Save.
11. Redeploy any branch that you want the new custom headers to be applied to.

To migrate custom headers from amplify.yml to customHttp.yml

1. Navigate to the amplify.yml file currently deployed in your app's root directory.
2. Open amplify.yml in the code editor of your choice.
3. Take note of the custom header information in the file, as you will use it later in step 8. Delete the custom headers in the file. Save and close the file.
4. Sign in to the AWS Management Console and open the Amplify console.
5. Choose the app to set custom headers for.
6. In the navigation pane, choose App settings, Custom headers.
7. In the Custom header specification section, choose Download.
8. Open the downloaded customHttp.yml file in the code editor of your choice and enter the information for your custom headers that you deleted from amplify.yml in step 3.
9. Save the edited customHttp.yml file in your project's root directory. If you are working with a monorepo, save the file in the root of your repo.
10. Redeploy the app to apply the new custom headers.
    • For a CI/CD app, perform a new build from your Git repository that includes the new
      customHttp.yml file.
    • For a manual deploy app, deploy the app again in the Amplify console and include the new
      customHttp.yml file with artifacts that you upload.

    **Note**
    Custom headers set in the customHttp.yml file and deployed in the app's root directory will
    override the custom headers defined in the **Custom headers** section of the AWS Management
    Console.

**Monorepo custom headers**

When you specify custom headers for an app in a monorepo, be aware of the following setup
requirements:

- There is a specific YAML format for a monorepo. For the correct syntax, see [Custom header YAML
  format](p. 97).
- You can specify custom headers for an application in a monorepo using the **Custom headers** section of
  the AWS Management Console. Note that you must redeploy your application to apply the new custom
  headers.
- As an alternative to using the console, you can specify custom headers for an app in a monorepo
  in a customHttp.yml file. You must save the customHttp.yml file in the root of your repo and
  then redeploy the application to apply the new custom headers. Custom headers specified in the
  customHttp.yml file override any custom headers specified using the **Custom headers** section of the
  AWS Management Console.

**Security headers example**

Custom security headers enable enforcing HTTPS, preventing XSS attacks, and defending your browser
against clickjacking. Use the following YAML syntax to apply custom security headers to your app.

```
customHeaders:
  - pattern: '***'
    headers:
      - key: 'Strict-Transport-Security'
        value: 'max-age=31536000; includeSubDomains'
      - key: 'X-Frame-Options'
        value: 'SAMEORIGIN'
      - key: 'X-XSS-Protection'
        value: '1; mode=block'
      - key: 'X-Content-Type-Options'
        value: 'nosniff'
      - key: 'Content-Security-Policy'
        value: "default-src 'self;"
```

**Cache control header example**

You can manually adjust the s-maxage directive to have more control over the performance and
deployment availability of your app. For example, to increase the length of time that your content stays
cached at the edge, you can manually increase the time to live (TTL) by updating s-maxage to a value longer than the default 600 seconds (10 minutes).

To specify a custom value for s-maxage, use the following YAML format. This example keeps the associated content cached at the edge for 3600 seconds (one hour).

```yaml
customHeaders:
  - pattern: '/img/*'
    headers:
      - key: 'Cache-Control'
        value: 's-maxage=3600'
```

For more information about controlling application performance with headers, see Using headers to control cache duration (p. 115).
Incoming webhooks

Set up an incoming webhook in the Amplify console to trigger a build without committing code to your Git repository. You can use webhook triggers with headless CMS tools (such as Contentful or GraphCMS) to start a build whenever content changes, or to perform daily builds using services such as Zapier.

To create an incoming webhook

1. Sign in to the AWS Management Console and open the Amplify console.
2. Choose the app that you want to create a webhook for.
3. In the navigation pane, choose Build settings.
4. On the Build settings page, scroll down to the Incoming webhooks section and choose Create webhook.
5. In the Create webhook dialog box, do the following:
   a. For Webhook name enter a name for the webhook.
   b. For Branch to build, select the branch to build on incoming webhook requests.
   c. Choose Save.
6. In the **Incoming webhooks** section, do one of the following:
   - Copy the webhook URL and provide it to a headless CMS tool or other service to trigger builds.
   - Run the curl command in a terminal window to trigger a new build.

   ![Incoming webhooks table]

   **Incoming webhooks** allow you to trigger a build for a given branch via a webhook URL that we create for you.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Name</th>
<th>Branch</th>
<th>URL</th>
<th>Command</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Contentful</td>
<td>main</td>
<td><a href="https://webhook-url/">https://webhook-url/</a></td>
<td>curl -X POST -d @&quot;<a href="https://webhook-url/">https://webhook-url/</a>&quot;</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Monitoring

AWS Amplify emits metrics through Amazon CloudWatch and provides access logs with detailed information about requests made to your app. Use the topics in this section to learn how to use these metrics and logs to monitor your app.

Topics
- Monitoring with CloudWatch (p. 104)
- Access logs (p. 107)

Monitoring with CloudWatch

AWS Amplify is integrated with Amazon CloudWatch, allowing you to monitor metrics for your Amplify applications in near real-time. You can create alarms that send notifications when a metric exceeds a threshold you set. For more information about how the CloudWatch service works, see the Amazon CloudWatch User Guide.

Metrics

Amplify supports six CloudWatch metrics in the AWS/AmplifyHosting namespace for monitoring traffic, errors, data transfer, and latency for your apps. These metrics are aggregated at one minute intervals. CloudWatch monitoring metrics are free of charge and don't count against the CloudWatch service quotas.

Not all available statistics are applicable for every metric. In the following table, the most relevant statistics are listed in the description for each metric.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Metrics</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Requests</td>
<td>The total number of viewer requests received by your app.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>The most relevant statistic is Sum. Use the Sum statistic to get the total number of requests.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>BytesDownloaded</td>
<td>The total amount of data transferred out of your app (downloaded) in bytes by viewers for GET,</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>HEAD, and OPTIONS requests.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>The most relevant statistic is Sum.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>BytesUploaded</td>
<td>The total amount of data transferred into your app (uploaded) in bytes using POST and PUT requests.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>The most relevant statistic is Sum.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4XXErrors</td>
<td>The number of requests that returned an error in the HTTP status code 400-499 range.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>The most relevant statistic is Sum. Use the Sum statistic to get the total occurrences of these errors.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Metrics</td>
<td>Description</td>
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<td>-----------------------------------------------------------------------------</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5XXErrors</td>
<td>The number of requests that returned an error in the HTTP status code 500-599 range. The most relevant statistic is Sum. Use the Sum statistic to get the total occurrences of these errors.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Latency</td>
<td>The time to first byte in seconds. This is the total time between when Amplify Hosting receives a request and when it returns a response to the network. This doesn't include the network latency encountered for a response to reach the viewer's device. The most relevant statistics are Average, Maximum, Minimum, p10, p50, p90, p95, and p100. Use the Average statistic to evaluate expected latencies.</td>
</tr>
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</table>

Amplify provides the following CloudWatch metric dimensions.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Dimension</th>
<th>Description</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>App</td>
<td>Metric data is provided by app.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>AWS account</td>
<td>Metric data is provided across all apps in the AWS account.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

You can access CloudWatch metrics in the AWS Management Console at https://console.aws.amazon.com/cloudwatch/. Alternatively, you can access metrics in the Amplify console using the following procedure.

**To access metrics in the Amplify console**

1. Sign in to the AWS Management Console and open the Amplify console.
2. Choose the app that you want to view metrics for.
3. In the navigation pane, choose App Settings, Monitoring.

**Alarms**

You can create CloudWatch alarms in the Amplify console that send notifications when specific criteria are met. An alarm watches a single CloudWatch metric and sends an Amazon Simple Notification Service notification when the metric breaches the threshold for a specified number of evaluation periods.

You can create more advanced alarms that use metric math expressions in the CloudWatch console or using the CloudWatch APIs. For example, you can create an alarm that notifies you when the percentage of 4XXErrors exceeds 15% for three consecutive periods. For more information, see Creating a CloudWatch Alarm Based on a Metric Math Expression in the Amazon CloudWatch User Guide.
Standard CloudWatch pricing applies to alarms. For more information, see Amazon CloudWatch pricing.

Use the following procedure to create an alarm in the Amplify console.

**To create a CloudWatch alarm for an Amplify metric**

1. Sign in to the AWS Management Console and open the Amplify console.
2. Choose the app that you want to set an alarm on.
3. In the navigation pane, choose App Settings, Monitoring.
5. Choose Create alarm.
6. In the Create alarm window, configure your alarm as follows:
   a. For Metric, choose the name of the metric to monitor from the list.
   b. For Name of alarm, enter a meaningful name for the alarm. For example, if you are monitoring Requests, you could name the alarm HighTraffic. The name must contain only ASCII characters.
   c. For Set up notifications, do one of the following:
      i. Choose New to set up a new Amazon SNS topic.
      ii. For Email address, enter the email address for the recipient of the notifications.
      iii. Choose Add new email address to add additional recipients.
      • i. Choose Existing to reuse an Amazon SNS topic.
      ii. For SNS topic, select the name of an existing Amazon SNS topic from the list.
   d. For Whenever the Statistic of Metric, set the conditions for your alarm as follows:
      i. Specify whether the metric must be greater than, less than, or equal to the threshold value.
      ii. Specify the threshold value.
      iii. Specify the number of consecutive evaluation periods that must be in the alarm state to trigger the alarm.
      iv. Specify the length of time of the evaluation period.
   e. Choose Create alarm.

**Note**

Each Amazon SNS recipient that you specify receives a confirmation email from AWS Notifications. The email contains a link that the recipient must follow to confirm their subscription and receive notifications.

**Amazon CloudWatch Logs for SSR apps**

Amplify sends information about your Next.js runtime to Amazon CloudWatch Logs in your AWS account. When you deploy an SSR app, the app requires an IAM service role that Amplify assumes when calling other services on your behalf. You can either allow Amplify Hosting compute to automatically create a service role for you or you can specify a role that you have created.

If you choose to allow Amplify to create an IAM role for you, the role will already have the permissions to create CloudWatch Logs. If you create your own IAM role, you will need to add the following permissions to your policy to allow Amplify to access Amazon CloudWatch Logs.

```plaintext
logs:CreateLogStream
logs:CreateLogGroup
logs:DescribeLogGroups
logs:PutLogEvents
```
Access logs

Amplify stores access logs for all of the apps you host in Amplify. Access logs contain information about requests that are made to your hosted apps. You can retrieve these access logs for any two week window that you specify.

Amplify never reuses CloudFront distributions between customers. Amplify creates CloudFront distributions in advance so that you don't have to wait for a CloudFront distribution to be created when you deploy a new app. Before these distributions are assigned to an Amplify app, they might receive traffic from bots. However, they're configured to always respond as Not found before they're assigned. If your app's access logs contain entries for a time period before you created your app, these entries are related to this activity.

Important
We recommend that you use the logs to understand the nature of the requests for your content, not as a complete accounting of all requests. Amplify delivers access logs on a best-effort basis. The log entry for a particular request might be delivered long after the request was actually processed and, in rare cases, a log entry might not be delivered at all. When a log entry is omitted from access logs, the number of entries in the access logs won't match the usage that appears in the AWS billing and usage reports.

Use the following procedure to retrieve access logs.

To view access logs
1. Sign in to the AWS Management Console and open the Amplify console.
2. Choose the app that you want to view access logs for.
3. In the navigation pane, choose App Settings, Monitoring.
5. Choose Edit time range.
6. In the Edit time range window, for Start date specify the first day of the two week interval to retrieve logs for. For Start time, choose the time on the first day to start the log retrieval.
7. The Amplify console displays the logs for your specified time range in the Access logs section. Choose Download to save the logs in a CSV format.

Analyzing access logs

To analyze access logs you can store the CSV files in an Amazon S3 bucket. One way to analyze your access logs is to use Athena. Athena is an interactive query service that can help you analyze data for AWS services. You can follow the step-by-step instructions here to create a table. Once your table has been created, you can query data as follows.

```
SELECT SUM(bytes) AS total_bytes
FROM logs
WHERE "date" BETWEEN DATE '2018-06-09' AND DATE '2018-06-11'
LIMIT 100;
```
Notifications

You can set up notifications for an AWS Amplify app to alert stakeholders or team members when a build succeeds or fails. Amplify Hosting creates an Amazon Simple Notification Service (SNS) topic in your account and uses it to configure email notifications. Notifications can be configured to apply to all branches or specific branches of an Amplify app.

Email notifications

Use the following procedures to set up email notifications for all branches or specific branches of an Amplify app.

To set up email notifications for an Amplify app

1. Sign in to the AWS Management Console and open the Amplify console.
2. Choose the app that you want to set up email notifications for.
3. In the navigation pane, choose App settings, Notifications, and then in the Email notifications section, choose Add notification.
4. Do one of the following in the Manage notifications section:
   • To send notifications for a single branch, for Email, enter the email address to send notifications to. For Branch, select the name of the branch to send notifications for.
   • To send notifications for all connected branches, for Email, enter the email address to send notifications to. For Branch, choose All Branches.
5. Choose Save when you are finished.
Custom build images and live package updates

Topics
- Custom build images (p. 109)
- Live package updates (p. 110)

Custom build images

You can use a custom build image to provide a customized build environment for an Amplify app. If you have specific dependencies that take a long time to install during a build using Amplify's default container, you can create your own Docker image and reference it during a build. Images can be hosted on Amazon Elastic Container Registry Public.

Note
Build settings is visible in the Amplify console's App settings menu only when an app is set up for continuous deployment and connected to a git repository. For instructions on this type of deployment, see Getting started with existing code (p. 3).

Configuring a custom build image

To configure a custom build image hosted in Amazon ECR

1. See Getting started in the Amazon ECR Public User guide to set up an Amazon ECR Public repository with a Docker image.
2. Sign in to the AWS Management Console and open the Amplify console.
3. Choose the app that you want to configure a custom build image for.
4. In the navigation pane, choose App Settings, Build settings.
5. On the Build settings page, in the Build image settings section, choose Edit.
6. In the Edit build image settings dialog box, expand the Build image menu, and choose Build image.
7. Enter the name of the Amazon ECR Public repo that you created in step one. This is where your build image is hosted. For example, if the name of your repo is ecr-examplerepo, you would enter public.ecr.aws/xxxxxxxxx/ecr-examplerepo.
8. Choose Save.

Custom build image requirements

For a custom build image to work as an Amplify build image, it must meet the following requirements:

1. A Linux distribution that supports the GNU C Library (glibc), such as Amazon Linux, compiled for the x86-64 architecture.
2. **cURL**: When we launch your custom image, we download our build runner into your container, and therefore we require cURL to be present. If this dependency is missing, the build instantly fails without any output as our build-runner is unable to produce any output.

3. **Git**: In order to clone your Git repository we require Git to be installed in the image. If this dependency is missing, the **Cloning repository** step will fail.

4. **OpenSSH**: In order to securely clone your repository we require OpenSSH to set up the SSH key temporarily during the build. The OpenSSH package provides the commands that the build runner requires to do this.

5. **Node.JS+NPM (NPM-based builds)**: Our build runner doesn't install Node. Instead, it relies on Node and NPM being installed in the image. This is only required for builds that require NPM packages or Node specific commands.

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## Live package updates

Live package updates enable you to specify versions of packages and dependencies to use in the Amplify default build image. The default build image comes with several packages and dependencies pre-installed (e.g. Hugo, Amplify CLI, Yarn, etc). With live package updates you can override the version of these dependencies and specify either a specific version, or ensure that the latest version is always installed. If live package updates is enabled, before your build runs, the build runner first updates (or downgrades) the specified dependencies. This increases the build time proportional to the time it takes to update the dependencies, but the benefit is that you can ensure the same version of a dependency is used to build your app.

## Configuring live package updates

**To configure live package updates**

1. Sign in to the AWS Management Console and open the Amplify console.
2. Choose the app that you want to configure live package updates for.
3. In the navigation pane, choose App Settings, Build settings.
5. In the Edit build image settings dialog box, expand the Add package version override list, and choose the package you want to change.

The following screenshot shows the Edit build image settings dialog box with the expanded Add package version override list.
6. For **Version**, either keep the default **latest** or enter a specific version of the dependency. If you use **latest**, the dependency will always be upgraded to the latest version available.

7. Choose **Save**.
Adding a service role

Amplify requires permissions to deploy backend resources with your front end. You use a service role to accomplish this. A service role is the AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) role that Amplify assumes when calling other services on your behalf. In this guide, you will create an Amplify service role that has account administrative permissions and explicitly allows direct access to resources that Amplify applications require to deploy any Amplify Studio or CLI resources, and create and manage backends. For more information, about Amplify Studio, see [Getting started](https://docs.aws.amazon.com/amplify/latest/userguide/amplify-studio-getting-started.html) in the Amplify docs. For more information about the Amplify CLI, see [Amplify CLI](https://docs.aws.amazon.com/amplify/latest/userguide/amplify-cli-reference.html) in the Amplify docs.

Step 1: Sign in to the IAM console

Open the IAM console and choose **Roles** from the left navigation bar, then choose **Create role**.

Step 2: Create Amplify role

In the role selection screen find **Amplify** and choose the **Amplify-Backend Deployment** role. Accept all the defaults and choose a name for your role, such as **AmplifyConsoleServiceRole-AmplifyRole**.

Step 3: Return to the Amplify console

Open the Amplify console. If you are in the process of deploying a new app, choose **refresh**, and then choose the role you just created. It should look like **AmplifyConsoleServiceRole-AmplifyRole**.

If you already have an existing app, you can find the service role setting in **App settings > General** and then choose **Edit** from the top right corner of the box. Pick the service role you just created from the dropdown and choose **Save**.
Confused deputy prevention

The confused deputy problem is a security issue where an entity that doesn't have permission to perform an action can coerce a more-privileged entity to perform the action. For more information, see Cross-service confused deputy prevention (p. 147).

Currently, the default trust policy for the Amplify-Backend Deployment service role enforces the aws:SourceArn and aws:SourceAccount global context condition keys to prevent against confused deputy. However, if you previously created an Amplify-Backend Deployment role in your account, you can update the role's trust policy to add these conditions to protect against confused deputy.

Use the following example to restrict access to apps in your account. Replace the red italicized text in the example with your own information.

```
"Condition": {
    "ArnLike": {
        "aws:SourceArn": "arn:aws:amplify:us-east-1:123456789012:apps/**"
    },
    "StringEquals": {
        "aws:SourceAccount": "123456789012"
    }
}
```

For instructions on editing the trust policy for a role using the AWS Management Console, see Modifying a role (console) in the IAM User Guide.
Managing app performance

Amplify's default hosting architecture optimizes the balance between hosting performance and deployment availability. For more information, see the section called “Instant cache invalidation with instant deploys” (p. 114).

For advanced users that require finer control over an app's performance, Amplify Hosting supports performance mode. Performance mode optimizes for faster hosting performance by keeping content cached at the content delivery network (CDN) edge for a longer interval. For more information, see the section called “Performance mode” (p. 114).

Instant cache invalidation with instant deploys

Amplify Hosting supports instant cache invalidation of the CDN on every code commit. This enables you to deploy updates to your single page or static app instantly, without giving up the performance benefits of CDN caching.

For more information about how Amplify handles cache invalidations, see the blog post AWS Amplify Console supports instant cache invalidation and delta deployments on every code commit.

Performance mode

Amplify Hosting performance mode optimizes for faster hosting performance by keeping content cached at the edge of the CDN for a longer interval. When performance mode is enabled, hosting configuration or code changes can take up to 10 minutes to be deployed and available.
Performance mode is intended for advanced customers that require finer control over an app's performance. To optimize the balance between hosting performance and deployment availability, the default section called “Instant cache invalidation with instant deploys” (p. 114) hosting architecture is recommended.

**To enable performance mode for an app**

1. Sign in to the AWS Management Console and open the Amplify console.
2. Choose the app to enable performance mode for.
3. In the navigation pane, choose **App settings, General**.
4. In the **General** pane, scroll down to the **Branches** section. Select the branch that you want to enable performance mode for.
5. Choose **Action, Enable performance mode**.
6. In the **Enable performance mode** dialog box, choose **Enable performance mode**.

**Using headers to control cache duration**

HTTP **Cache-Control** header **max-age** and **s-maxage** directives affect the content caching duration for your app. The **max-age** directive tells the browser how long (in seconds) that you want content to remain in the cache before it is refreshed from the origin server. The **s-maxage** directive overrides **max-age** and lets you specify how long (in seconds) that you want content to remain at the CDN edge before it is refreshed from the origin server. Note that apps hosted with Amplify honor and reuse the **Cache-Control** request headers sent by clients, unless they are overridden by a custom header that you define. Continue reading for a description of how to configure a custom header.

You can manually adjust the **s-maxage** directive to have more control over the performance and deployment availability of your app. For example, to increase the length of time that your content stays cached at the edge, you can manually increase the time to live (TTL) by updating **s-maxage** to a value longer than the default 600 seconds (10 minutes).

**Note**

When performance mode is enabled for an app, Amplify increases the maximum TTL, that you can set for the app using a custom header, from 10 minutes (600 seconds) to one day (86,400 seconds). Amplify caps the **s-maxage** that you can set using a custom header at one day. For example, if you set **s-maxage** to one week (604,800 seconds), Amplify uses the maximum TTL of one day.

You can define custom headers for an app in the **Custom headers** section of the Amplify console. For an example of the YAML format, see [Cache control header example (p. 100)](p. 100).
Logging Amplify API calls using AWS CloudTrail

AWS Amplify is integrated with AWS CloudTrail, a service that provides a record of actions taken by a user, role, or an AWS service in Amplify. CloudTrail captures all API calls for Amplify as events. The calls captured include calls from the Amplify console and code calls to the Amplify API operations. If you create a trail, you can enable continuous delivery of CloudTrail events to an Amazon S3 bucket, including events for Amplify. If you don't configure a trail, you can still view the most recent events in the CloudTrail console in Event history. Using the information that CloudTrail collects, you can determine the request that was made to Amplify, the IP address from which the request was made, who made the request, when it was made, and additional details.

To learn more about CloudTrail, see the AWS CloudTrail User Guide.

Amplify information in CloudTrail

CloudTrail is enabled on your AWS account by default. When activity occurs in Amplify, that activity is recorded in a CloudTrail event along with other AWS service events in Event history. You can view, search, and download recent events in your AWS account. For more information, see Viewing events with CloudTrail Event history in the AWS CloudTrail User Guide.

For an ongoing record of events in your AWS account, including events for Amplify, create a trail. A trail enables CloudTrail to deliver log files to an Amazon S3 bucket. By default, when you create a trail in the console, the trail applies to all AWS Regions. The trail logs events from all Regions in the AWS partition and delivers the log files to the Amazon S3 bucket that you specify. Additionally, you can configure other AWS services to further analyze and act upon the event data collected in CloudTrail logs. For more information, see the following in the AWS CloudTrail User Guide:

- Creating a trail for your AWS account
- CloudTrail supported services and integrations
- Configuring Amazon SNS notifications for CloudTrail
- Receiving CloudTrail log files from multiple regions and Receiving CloudTrail log files from multiple accounts

All Amplify operations are logged by CloudTrail and are documented in the AWS Amplify Console API Reference, the AWS Amplify Admin UI API Reference, and the Amplify UI Builder API Reference. For example, calls to the CreateApp, DeleteApp and DeleteBackendEnvironment operations generate entries in the CloudTrail log files.

Every event or log entry contains information about who generated the request. The identity information helps you determine the following:

- Was the request made with root or AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) user credentials.
- Was the request made with temporary security credentials for a role or federated user.
- Was the request made by another AWS service.

For more information, see the CloudTrail userIdentity element in the AWS CloudTrail User Guide.
Understanding Amplify log file entries

A trail is a configuration that enables delivery of events as log files to an Amazon S3 bucket that you specify. CloudTrail log files contain one or more log entries. An event represents a single request from any source and includes information about the requested action, the date and time of the action, request parameters, and so on. CloudTrail log files aren't an ordered stack trace of the public API calls, so they don't appear in any specific order.

The following example shows a CloudTrail log entry that demonstrates the AWS Amplify Console API Reference ListApps operation.

```
{
  "eventVersion": "1.08",
  "userIdentity": {
    "type": "IAMUser",
    "principalId": "AIDACKCEVSQ6C2EXAMPLE",
    "arn": "arn:aws:iam::444455556666:user/Mary_Major",
    "accountId": "444455556666",
    "accessKeyId": "AKIAIOSFODNN7EXAMPLE",
    "userName": "Mary_Major",
    "sessionContext": {
      "sessionIssuer": {},
      "webIdFederationData": {},
      "attributes": {
        "mfaAuthenticated": "false",
        "creationDate": "2021-01-12T06:48:10Z"
      }
    }
  },
  "eventTime": "2021-01-12T06:47:29Z",
  "eventSource": "amplify.amazonaws.com",
  "eventName": "ListApps",
  "awsRegion": "us-west-2",
  "sourceIPAddress": "192.0.2.255",
  "userAgent": "aws-internal/3 aws-sdk-java/1.11.898 Linux/4.9.230-0.1.ac.223.84.332.metall.x86_64 OpenJDK_64-Bit_Server_VM/25.275-b01 java/1.8.0_275 vendor/Oracle_Corporation",
  "requestParameters": {
    "maxResults": "100"
  },
  "responseElements": null,
  "requestID": "1c026d0b-3397-405a-95aa-aa43aexample",
  "eventType": "AwsApiCall",
  "managementEvent": true,
  "eventCategory": "Management",
  "recipientAccountId": "444455556666"
}
```

The following example shows a CloudTrail log entry that demonstrates the AWS Amplify Admin UI API Reference ListBackendJobs operation.

```
{
  "eventVersion": "1.08",
  "userIdentity": {
    "type": "IAMUser",
    "principalId": "AIDACKCEVSQ6C2EXAMPLE",
    "arn": "arn:aws:iam::444455556666:user/Mary_Major",
    "accountId": "444455556666",
    "accessKeyId": "AKIAIOSFODNN7EXAMPLE",
    "userName": "Mary_Major",
    "sessionContext": {
      "sessionIssuer": {},
      "webIdFederationData": {},
      "attributes": {
        "mfaAuthenticated": "false",
        "creationDate": "2021-01-12T06:47:29Z"
      }
    }
  },
  "eventTime": "2021-01-12T06:47:29Z",
  "eventSource": "amplify.amazonaws.com",
  "eventName": "ListBackendJobs",
  "awsRegion": "us-west-2",
  "sourceIPAddress": "192.0.2.255",
  "userAgent": "aws-internal/3 aws-sdk-java/1.11.898 Linux/4.9.230-0.1.ac.223.84.332.metall.x86_64 OpenJDK_64-Bit_Server_VM/25.275-b01 java/1.8.0_275 vendor/Oracle_Corporation",
  "requestParameters": {
    "maxResults": "100"
  },
  "responseElements": null,
  "requestID": "1c026d0b-3397-405a-95aa-aa43aexample",
  "eventType": "AwsApiCall",
  "managementEvent": true,
  "eventCategory": "Management",
  "recipientAccountId": "444455556666"
}
```
"userName": "Mary_Major",
"sessionContext": {
    "sessionIssuer": {},
    "webIdFederationData": {},
    "attributes": {
        "mfaAuthenticated": "false",
        "creationDate": "2021-01-13T00:47:25Z"
    }
},
"eventTime": "2021-01-13T01:15:43Z",
"eventSource": "amplifybackend.amazonaws.com",
"eventName": "ListBackendJobs",
"awsRegion": "us-west-2",
"sourceIPAddress": "192.0.2.255",
"userAgent": "aws-internal/3 aws-sdk-java/1.11.898 OpenJDK_64-Bit_Server_VM/25.275-b01 java/1.8.0_275 vendor/Oracle_Corporation",
"requestParameters": {
    "appId": "d23mv2oexample",
    "backendEnvironmentName": "staging"
},
"responseElements": {
    "jobs": [
        {
            "appId": "d23mv2oexample",
            "backendEnvironmentName": "staging",
            "jobId": "ed63e9b2-dd1b-4bf2-895b-3d5dcexample",
            "operation": "CreateBackendAuth",
            "status": "COMPLETED",
            "createTime": "1610499932490",
            "updateTime": "1610500140053"
        },
        {
            "appId": "d23mv2oexample",
            "backendEnvironmentName": "staging",
            "jobId": "06904b10-a795-49c1-92b7-185dfexample",
            "operation": "CreateBackend",
            "status": "COMPLETED",
            "createTime": "1610499965793",
            "updateTime": "1610499704458"
        }
    ],
    "requestID": "7adfabd6-98d5-4b11-bd39-c7deaexample",
    "eventId": "68769310-c96c-4789-a6bb-68b52example",
    "readOnly": false,
    "eventType": "AwsApiCall",
    "managementEvent": true,
    "eventCategory": "Management",
    "recipientAccountId": "444455556666"}
Security in Amplify

Cloud security at AWS is the highest priority. As an AWS customer, you benefit from data centers and network architectures that are built to meet the requirements of the most security-sensitive organizations.

Security is a shared responsibility between AWS and you. The shared responsibility model describes this as security of the cloud and security in the cloud:

- **Security of the cloud** – AWS is responsible for protecting the infrastructure that runs AWS services in the AWS Cloud. AWS also provides you with services that you can use securely. Third-party auditors regularly test and verify the effectiveness of our security as part of the AWS Compliance Programs. To learn about the compliance programs that apply to AWS Amplify, see AWS Services in Scope by Compliance Program.
- **Security in the cloud** – Your responsibility is determined by the AWS service that you use. You are also responsible for other factors including the sensitivity of your data, your company’s requirements, and applicable laws and regulations.

This documentation helps you understand how to apply the shared responsibility model when using Amplify. The following topics show you how to configure Amplify to meet your security and compliance objectives. You also learn how to use other AWS services that help you monitor and secure your Amplify resources.

**Topics**
- Identity and Access Management for Amplify (p. 119)
- Data Protection in Amplify (p. 145)
- Compliance Validation for AWS Amplify (p. 146)
- Infrastructure Security in AWS Amplify (p. 146)
- Security event logging and monitoring in Amplify (p. 147)
- Cross-service confused deputy prevention (p. 147)
- Security best practices for Amplify (p. 149)

Identity and Access Management for Amplify

AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) is an AWS service that helps an administrator securely control access to AWS resources. IAM administrators control who can be authenticated (signed in) and authorized (have permissions) to use Amplify resources. IAM is an AWS service that you can use with no additional charge.

**Topics**
- Audience (p. 120)
- Authenticating with identities (p. 120)
- Managing access using policies (p. 122)
- How Amplify works with IAM (p. 124)
- Identity-based policy examples for Amplify (p. 128)
Audience

How you use AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) differs, depending on the work that you do in Amplify.

**Service user** – If you use the Amplify service to do your job, then your administrator provides you with the credentials and permissions that you need. As you use more Amplify features to do your work, you might need additional permissions. Understanding how access is managed can help you request the right permissions from your administrator. If you cannot access a feature in Amplify, see Troubleshooting Amplify identity and access (p. 137).

**Service administrator** – If you're in charge of Amplify resources at your company, you probably have full access to Amplify. It's your job to determine which Amplify features and resources your service users should access. You must then submit requests to your IAM administrator to change the permissions of your service users. Review the information on this page to understand the basic concepts of IAM. To learn more about how your company can use IAM with Amplify, see How Amplify works with IAM (p. 124).

**IAM administrator** – If you’re an IAM administrator, you might want to learn details about how you can write policies to manage access to Amplify. To view example Amplify identity-based policies that you can use in IAM, see Identity-based policy examples for Amplify (p. 128).

Authenticating with identities

Authentication is how you sign in to AWS using your identity credentials. You must be authenticated (signed in to AWS) as the AWS account root user, as an IAM user, or by assuming an IAM role.

You can sign in to AWS as a federated identity by using credentials provided through an identity source. AWS IAM Identity Center (IAM Identity Center) users, your company's single sign-on authentication, and your Google or Facebook credentials are examples of federated identities. When you sign in as a federated identity, your administrator previously set up identity federation using IAM roles. When you access AWS by using federation, you are indirectly assuming a role.

Depending on the type of user you are, you can sign in to the AWS Management Console or the AWS access portal. For more information about signing in to AWS, see How to sign in to your AWS account in the AWS Sign-In User Guide.

If you access AWS programmatically, AWS provides a software development kit (SDK) and a command line interface (CLI) to cryptographically sign your requests by using your credentials. If you don’t use AWS tools, you must sign requests yourself. For more information about using the recommended method to sign requests yourself, see Signing AWS API requests in the IAM User Guide.

Regardless of the authentication method that you use, you might be required to provide additional security information. For example, AWS recommends that you use multi-factor authentication (MFA) to increase the security of your account. To learn more, see Multi-factor authentication in the AWS IAM Identity Center User Guide and Using multi-factor authentication (MFA) in AWS in the IAM User Guide.

AWS account root user

When you create an AWS account, you begin with one sign-in identity that has complete access to all AWS services and resources in the account. This identity is called the AWS account root user and is accessed by signing in with the email address and password that you used to create the account. We
strongly recommend that you don't use the root user for your everyday tasks. Safeguard your root user credentials and use them to perform the tasks that only the root user can perform. For the complete list of tasks that require you to sign in as the root user, see Tasks that require root user credentials in the IAM User Guide.

**Federated identity**

As a best practice, require human users, including users that require administrator access, to use federation with an identity provider to access AWS services by using temporary credentials.

A **federated identity** is a user from your enterprise user directory, a web identity provider, the AWS Directory Service, the Identity Center directory, or any user that accesses AWS services by using credentials provided through an identity source. When federated identities access AWS accounts, they assume roles, and the roles provide temporary credentials.

For centralized access management, we recommend that you use AWS IAM Identity Center. You can create users and groups in IAM Identity Center, or you can connect and synchronize to a set of users and groups in your own identity source for use across all your AWS accounts and applications. For information about IAM Identity Center, see What is IAM Identity Center? in the AWS IAM Identity Center User Guide.

**IAM users and groups**

An **IAM user** is an identity within your AWS account that has specific permissions for a single person or application. Where possible, we recommend relying on temporary credentials instead of creating IAM users who have long-term credentials such as passwords and access keys. However, if you have specific use cases that require long-term credentials with IAM users, we recommend that you rotate access keys. For more information, see Rotate access keys regularly for use cases that require long-term credentials in the IAM User Guide.

An **IAM group** is an identity that specifies a collection of IAM users. You can't sign in as a group. You can use groups to specify permissions for multiple users at a time. Groups make permissions easier to manage for large sets of users. For example, you could have a group named IAMAdmins and give that group permissions to administer IAM resources.

Users are different from roles. A user is uniquely associated with one person or application, but a role is intended to be assumable by anyone who needs it. Users have permanent long-term credentials, but roles provide temporary credentials. To learn more, see When to create an IAM user (instead of a role) in the IAM User Guide.

**IAM roles**

An **IAM role** is an identity within your AWS account that has specific permissions. It is similar to an IAM user, but is not associated with a specific person. You can temporarily assume an IAM role in the AWS Management Console by switching roles. You can assume a role by calling an AWS CLI or AWS API operation or by using a custom URL. For more information about methods for using roles, see Using IAM roles in the IAM User Guide.

IAM roles with temporary credentials are useful in the following situations:

- **Federated user access** – To assign permissions to a federated identity, you create a role and define permissions for the role. When a federated identity authenticates, the identity is associated with the role and is granted the permissions that are defined by the role. For information about roles for federation, see Creating a role for a third-party Identity Provider in the IAM User Guide. If you use IAM Identity Center, you configure a permission set. To control what your identities can access after they authenticate, IAM Identity Center correlates the permission set to a role in IAM. For information about permissions sets, see Permission sets in the AWS IAM Identity Center User Guide.
• **Temporary IAM user permissions** – An IAM user or role can assume an IAM role to temporarily take on different permissions for a specific task.

• **Cross-account access** – You can use an IAM role to allow someone (a trusted principal) in a different account to access resources in your account. Roles are the primary way to grant cross-account access. However, with some AWS services, you can attach a policy directly to a resource (instead of using a role as a proxy). To learn the difference between roles and resource-based policies for cross-account access, see How IAM roles differ from resource-based policies in the IAM User Guide.

• **Cross-service access** – Some AWS services use features in other AWS services. For example, when you make a call in a service, it's common for that service to run applications in Amazon EC2 or store objects in Amazon S3. A service might do this using the calling principal's permissions, using a service role, or using a service-linked role.

• **Principal permissions** – When you use an IAM user or role to perform actions in AWS, you are considered a principal. Policies grant permissions to a principal. When you use some services, you might perform an action that then triggers another action in a different service. In this case, you must have permissions to perform both actions. To see whether an action requires additional dependent actions in a policy, see Actions, resources, and condition keys for AWS Amplify in the Service Authorization Reference.

• **Service role** – A service role is an IAM role that a service assumes to perform actions on your behalf. An IAM administrator can create, modify, and delete a service role from within IAM. For more information, see Creating a role to delegate permissions to an AWS service in the IAM User Guide.

• **Service-linked role** – A service-linked role is a type of service role that is linked to an AWS service. The service can assume the role to perform an action on your behalf. Service-linked roles appear in your AWS account and are owned by the service. An IAM administrator can view, but not edit the permissions for service-linked roles.

• **Applications running on Amazon EC2** – You can use an IAM role to manage temporary credentials for applications that are running on an EC2 instance and making AWS CLI or AWS API requests. This is preferable to storing access keys within the EC2 instance. To assign an AWS role to an EC2 instance and make it available to all of its applications, you create an instance profile that is attached to the instance. An instance profile contains the role and enables programs that are running on the EC2 instance to get temporary credentials. For more information, see Using an IAM role to grant permissions to applications running on Amazon EC2 instances in the IAM User Guide.

Managing access using policies

You control access in AWS by creating policies and attaching them to AWS identities or resources. A policy is an object in AWS that, when associated with an identity or resource, defines their permissions. AWS evaluates these policies when a principal (user, root user, or role session) makes a request. Permissions in the policies determine whether the request is allowed or denied. Most policies are stored in AWS as JSON documents. For more information about the structure and contents of JSON policy documents, see Overview of JSON policies in the IAM User Guide.

Administrators can use AWS JSON policies to specify who has access to what. That is, which principal can perform actions on what resources, and under what conditions.

By default, users and roles have no permissions. To grant users permission to perform actions on the resources that they need, an IAM administrator can create IAM policies. The administrator can then add the IAM policies to roles, and users can assume the roles.

IAM policies define permissions for an action regardless of the method that you use to perform the operation. For example, suppose that you have a policy that allows the `iam:GetRole` action. A user with that policy can get role information from the AWS Management Console, the AWS CLI, or the AWS API.
# Identity-based policies

Identity-based policies are JSON permissions policy documents that you can attach to an identity, such as an IAM user, group of users, or role. These policies control what actions users and roles can perform, on which resources, and under what conditions. To learn how to create an identity-based policy, see [Creating IAM policies](https://docs.aws.amazon.com/IAM/latest/userguide/creating-iam-policies.html) in the *IAM User Guide*.

Identity-based policies can be further categorized as inline policies or managed policies. Inline policies are embedded directly into a single user, group, or role. Managed policies are standalone policies that you can attach to multiple users, groups, and roles in your AWS account. Managed policies include AWS managed policies and customer managed policies. To learn how to choose between a managed policy or an inline policy, see [Choosing between managed policies and inline policies](https://docs.aws.amazon.com/IAM/latest/userguide/choosing-between-managed-policies-and-inline-policies.html) in the *IAM User Guide*.

# Resource-based policies

Resource-based policies are JSON policy documents that you attach to a resource. Examples of resource-based policies are IAM role trust policies and Amazon S3 bucket policies. In services that support resource-based policies, service administrators can use them to control access to a specific resource. For the resource where the policy is attached, the policy defines what actions a specified principal can perform on that resource and under what conditions. You must specify a principal in a resource-based policy. Principals can include accounts, users, roles, federated users, or AWS services.

Resource-based policies are inline policies that are located in that service. You can’t use AWS managed policies from IAM in a resource-based policy.

# Access control lists (ACLs)

Access control lists (ACLs) control which principals (account members, users, or roles) have permissions to access a resource. ACLs are similar to resource-based policies, although they do not use the JSON policy document format.

Amazon S3, AWS WAF, and Amazon VPC are examples of services that support ACLs. To learn more about ACLs, see [Access control list (ACL) overview](https://docs.aws.amazon.com/AmazonS3/latest/userguide/access-control-lists.html) in the *Amazon Simple Storage Service Developer Guide*.

# Other policy types

AWS supports additional, less-common policy types. These policy types can set the maximum permissions granted to you by the more common policy types.

- **Permissions boundaries** – A permissions boundary is an advanced feature in which you set the maximum permissions that an identity-based policy can grant to an IAM entity (IAM user or role). You can set a permissions boundary for an entity. The resulting permissions are the intersection of an entity’s identity-based policies and its permissions boundaries. Resource-based policies that specify the user or role in the Principal field are not limited by the permissions boundary. An explicit deny in any of these policies overrides the allow. For more information about permissions boundaries, see [Permissions boundaries for IAM entities](https://docs.aws.amazon.com/IAM/latest/userguide/permissions-boundaries.html) in the *IAM User Guide*.

- **Service control policies (SCPs)** – SCPs are JSON policies that specify the maximum permissions for an organization or organizational unit (OU) in AWS Organizations. AWS Organizations is a service for grouping and centrally managing multiple AWS accounts that your business owns. If you enable all features in an organization, then you can apply service control policies (SCPs) to any or all of your accounts. The SCP limits permissions for entities in member accounts, including each AWS account root user. For more information about Organizations and SCPs, see [How SCPs work](https://docs.aws.amazon.com/organizations/latest/userguide/orgs_users_iam-service-control-policies.html) in the *AWS Organizations User Guide*.

- **Session policies** – Session policies are advanced policies that you pass as a parameter when you programmatically create a temporary session for a role or federated user. The resulting session’s permissions are the intersection of the user or role’s identity-based policies and the session policies.
Permissions can also come from a resource-based policy. An explicit deny in any of these policies overrides the allow. For more information, see Session policies in the IAM User Guide.

Multiple policy types

When multiple types of policies apply to a request, the resulting permissions are more complicated to understand. To learn how AWS determines whether to allow a request when multiple policy types are involved, see Policy evaluation logic in the IAM User Guide.

How Amplify works with IAM

Before you use IAM to manage access to Amplify, learn what IAM features are available to use with Amplify.

IAM features that you can use with Amplify

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To get a high-level view of how Amplify and other AWS services work with most IAM features, see AWS services that work with IAM in the IAM User Guide.

Identity-based policies for Amplify

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Identity-based policies are JSON permissions policy documents that you can attach to an identity, such as an IAM user, group of users, or role. These policies control what actions users and roles can perform, on which resources, and under what conditions. To learn how to create an identity-based policy, see Creating IAM policies in the IAM User Guide.

With IAM identity-based policies, you can specify allowed or denied actions and resources as well as the conditions under which actions are allowed or denied. You can't specify the principal in an identity-based
policy because it applies to the user or role to which it is attached. To learn about all of the elements that you can use in a JSON policy, see IAM JSON policy elements reference in the IAM User Guide.

Identity-based policy examples for Amplify

To view examples of Amplify identity-based policies, see Identity-based policy examples for Amplify (p. 128).

Resource-based policies within Amplify

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To enable cross-account access, you can specify an entire account or IAM entities in another account as the principal in a resource-based policy. Adding a cross-account principal to a resource-based policy is only half of establishing the trust relationship. When the principal and the resource are in different AWS accounts, an IAM administrator in the trusted account must also grant the principal entity (user or role) permission to access the resource. They grant permission by attaching an identity-based policy to the entity. However, if a resource-based policy grants access to a principal in the same account, no additional identity-based policy is required. For more information, see How IAM roles differ from resource-based policies in the IAM User Guide.

Policy actions for Amplify

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Administrators can use AWS JSON policies to specify who has access to what. That is, which principal can perform actions on what resources, and under what conditions.

The Action element of a JSON policy describes the actions that you can use to allow or deny access in a policy. Policy actions usually have the same name as the associated AWS API operation. There are some exceptions, such as permission-only actions that don’t have a matching API operation. There are also some operations that require multiple actions in a policy. These additional actions are called dependent actions.

Include actions in a policy to grant permissions to perform the associated operation.

For a list of Amplify actions, see Actions defined by AWS Amplify in the Service Authorization Reference.

Policy actions in Amplify use the following prefix before the action:

```
amplify
```

To specify multiple actions in a single statement, separate them with commas.

```
"Action": [          
  "amplify:action1",
```
"amplify:action2"
]

To view examples of Amplify identity-based policies, see Identity-based policy examples for Amplify (p. 128).

Policy resources for Amplify

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Administrators can use AWS JSON policies to specify who has access to what. That is, which principal can perform actions on what resources, and under what conditions.

The Resource JSON policy element specifies the object or objects to which the action applies. Statements must include either a Resource or a NotResource element. As a best practice, specify a resource using its Amazon Resource Name (ARN). You can do this for actions that support a specific resource type, known as resource-level permissions.

For actions that don't support resource-level permissions, such as listing operations, use a wildcard (*) to indicate that the statement applies to all resources.

"Resource": "*"

For a list of Amplify resource types and their ARNs, see Resource types defined by AWS Amplify in the Service Authorization Reference. To learn with which actions you can specify the ARN of each resource, see Actions defined by AWS Amplify.

Policy condition keys for Amplify

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Administrators can use AWS JSON policies to specify who has access to what. That is, which principal can perform actions on what resources, and under what conditions.

The Condition element (or Condition block) lets you specify conditions in which a statement is in effect. The Condition element is optional. You can create conditional expressions that use condition operators, such as equals or less than, to match the condition in the policy with values in the request.

If you specify multiple Condition elements in a statement, or multiple keys in a single Condition element, AWS evaluates them using a logical AND operation. If you specify multiple values for a single condition key, AWS evaluates the condition using a logical OR operation. All of the conditions must be met before the statement's permissions are granted.

You can also use placeholder variables when you specify conditions. For example, you can grant an IAM user permission to access a resource only if it is tagged with their IAM user name. For more information, see IAM policy elements: variables and tags in the IAM User Guide.

AWS supports global condition keys and service-specific condition keys. To see all AWS global condition keys, see AWS global condition context keys in the IAM User Guide.
For a list of Amplify condition keys, see Condition keys for AWS Amplify in the Service Authorization Reference. To learn with which actions and resources you can use a condition key, see Actions defined by AWS Amplify.

To view examples of Amplify identity-based policies, see Identity-based policy examples for Amplify (p. 128).

**Access control lists (ACLs) in Amplify**

| Supports ACLs | No |

Access control lists (ACLs) control which principals (account members, users, or roles) have permissions to access a resource. ACLs are similar to resource-based policies, although they do not use the JSON policy document format.

**Attribute-based access control (ABAC) with Amplify**

| Supports ABAC (tags in policies) | Partial |

Attribute-based access control (ABAC) is an authorization strategy that defines permissions based on attributes. In AWS, these attributes are called tags. You can attach tags to IAM entities (users or roles) and to many AWS resources. Tagging entities and resources is the first step of ABAC. Then you design ABAC policies to allow operations when the principal's tag matches the tag on the resource that they are trying to access.

ABAC is helpful in environments that are growing rapidly and helps with situations where policy management becomes cumbersome.

To control access based on tags, you provide tag information in the condition element of a policy using the aws:ResourceTag/key-name, aws:RequestTag/key-name, or aws:TagKeys condition keys. If a service supports all three condition keys for every resource type, then the value is Yes for the service. If a service supports all three condition keys for only some resource types, then the value is Partial.

For more information about ABAC, see What is ABAC? in the IAM User Guide. To view a tutorial with steps for setting up ABAC, see Use attribute-based access control (ABAC) in the IAM User Guide.

**Using temporary credentials with Amplify**

| Supports temporary credentials | Yes |

Some AWS services don't work when you sign in using temporary credentials. For additional information, including which AWS services work with temporary credentials, see AWS services that work with IAM in the IAM User Guide.

You are using temporary credentials if you sign in to the AWS Management Console using any method except a user name and password. For example, when you access AWS using your company's single sign-on (SSO) link, that process automatically creates temporary credentials. You also automatically create temporary credentials when you sign in to the console as a user and then switch roles. For more information about switching roles, see Switching to a role (console) in the IAM User Guide.

You can manually create temporary credentials using the AWS CLI or AWS API. You can then use those temporary credentials to access AWS. AWS recommends that you dynamically generate temporary
credentials instead of using long-term access keys. For more information, see Temporary security credentials in IAM.

**Cross-service principal permissions for Amplify**

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**Service roles for Amplify**

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A service role is an IAM role that a service assumes to perform actions on your behalf. An IAM administrator can create, modify, and delete a service role from within IAM. For more information, see Creating a role to delegate permissions to an AWS service in the IAM User Guide.

**Warning**

Changing the permissions for a service role might break Amplify functionality. Edit service roles only when Amplify provides guidance to do so.

**Service-linked roles for Amplify**

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A service-linked role is a type of service role that is linked to an AWS service. The service can assume the role to perform an action on your behalf. Service-linked roles appear in your AWS account and are owned by the service. An IAM administrator can view, but not edit the permissions for service-linked roles.

For details about creating or managing service-linked roles, see AWS services that work with IAM in the IAM User Guide. Find a service in the table that includes a Yes in the Service-linked role column. Choose the Yes link to view the service-linked roles documentation for that service.

**Identity-based policy examples for Amplify**

By default, users and roles don’t have permission to create or modify Amplify resources. They also can't perform tasks by using the AWS Management Console, AWS Command Line Interface (AWS CLI), or AWS API. To grant users permission to perform actions on the resources that they need, an IAM administrator can create IAM policies. The administrator can then add the IAM policies to roles, and users can assume the roles.

To learn how to create an IAM identity-based policy by using these example JSON policy documents, see Creating IAM policies in the IAM User Guide.

For details about actions and resource types defined by Amplify, including the format of the ARNs for each of the resource types, see Actions, resources, and condition keys for AWS Amplify in the Service Authorization Reference.

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• **Using the Amplify console (p. 129)**
• **Allow users to view their own permissions (p. 130)**

**Policy best practices**

Identity-based policies determine whether someone can create, access, or delete Amplify resources in your account. These actions can incur costs for your AWS account. When you create or edit identity-based policies, follow these guidelines and recommendations:

• **Get started with AWS managed policies and move toward least-privilege permissions** – To get started granting permissions to your users and workloads, use the **AWS managed policies** that grant permissions for many common use cases. They are available in your AWS account. We recommend that you reduce permissions further by defining AWS customer managed policies that are specific to your use cases. For more information, see [AWS managed policies](https://aws.amazon.com/managed-policies) or [AWS managed policies for job functions](https://docs.aws.amazon.com/iam/latest/userguide/IAM-managed-policies-for-job-functions.html) in the [IAM User Guide](https://docs.aws.amazon.com/IAM/latest/UserGuide/id_rolespermissions-managed-policies.html).

• **Apply least-privilege permissions** – When you set permissions with IAM policies, grant only the permissions required to perform a task. You do this by defining the actions that can be taken on specific resources under specific conditions, also known as **least-privilege permissions**. For more information about using IAM to apply permissions, see [Policies and permissions in IAM](https://docs.aws.amazon.com/IAM/latest/UserGuide/access_policies.html) in the [IAM User Guide](https://docs.aws.amazon.com/IAM/latest/UserGuide/id_rolespermissions-managed-policies.html).

• **Use conditions in IAM policies to further restrict access** – You can add a condition to your policies to limit access to actions and resources. For example, you can write a policy condition to specify that all requests must be sent using SSL. You can also use conditions to grant access to service actions if they are used through a specific AWS service, such as AWS CloudFormation. For more information, see [IAM JSON policy elements: Condition](https://docs.aws.amazon.com/IAM/latest/userguide/reference-policies-conditions.html) in the [IAM User Guide](https://docs.aws.amazon.com/IAM/latest/UserGuide/id_rolespermissions-managed-policies.html).

• **Use IAM Access Analyzer to validate your IAM policies to ensure secure and functional permissions** – IAM Access Analyzer validates new and existing policies so that the policies adhere to the IAM policy language (JSON) and IAM best practices. IAM Access Analyzer provides more than 100 policy checks and actionable recommendations to help you author secure and functional policies. For more information, see [IAM Access Analyzer policy validation](https://docs.aws.amazon.com/IAM/latest/userguide/id_access-analyzer-policies.html) in the [IAM User Guide](https://docs.aws.amazon.com/IAM/latest/UserGuide/id_access-analyzer-policies.html).

• **Require multi-factor authentication (MFA)** – If you have a scenario that requires IAM users or a root user in your AWS account, turn on MFA for additional security. To require MFA when API operations are called, add MFA conditions to your policies. For more information, see [Configuring MFA-protected API access](https://docs.aws.amazon.com/IAM/latest/userguide/iam-api-mfa.html) in the [IAM User Guide](https://docs.aws.amazon.com/IAM/latest/UserGuide/id_rolespermissions-managed-policies.html).


**Using the Amplify console**

To access the AWS Amplify console, you must have a minimum set of permissions. These permissions must allow you to list and view details about the Amplify resources in your AWS account. If you create an identity-based policy that is more restrictive than the minimum required permissions, the console won’t function as intended for entities (users or roles) with that policy.

You don't need to allow minimum console permissions for users that are making calls only to the AWS CLI or the AWS API. Instead, allow access to only the actions that match the API operation that they're trying to perform.

With the release of Amplify Studio, deleting an app or a backend requires both **amplify** and **amplify backend** permissions. If an IAM policy provides only amplify permissions, a user gets a permissions error when trying to delete an app. If you are an administrator writing policies, use the [permissions reference](https://docs.aws.amazon.com/amplify/latest/userguide/amplify-concept-security.html#permissions-reference) to determine the correct permissions to give users who need to perform delete actions.
To ensure that users and roles can still use the Amplify console, also attach the Amplify ConsoleAccess or ReadOnly AWS managed policy to the entities. For more information, see Adding permissions to a user in the IAM User Guide.

**Allow users to view their own permissions**

This example shows how you might create a policy that allows IAM users to view the inline and managed policies that are attached to their user identity. This policy includes permissions to complete this action on the console or programmatically using the AWS CLI or AWS API.

```json
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Sid": "ViewOwnUserInfo",
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Action": [
        "iam:GetUserPolicy",
        "iam:ListGroupsForUser",
        "iam:ListAttachedUserPolicies",
        "iam:ListUserPolicies",
        "iam:GetUser"
      ],
      "Resource": ["arn:aws:iam::*:user/${aws:username}"
    },
    {
      "Sid": "NavigateInConsole",
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Action": [
        "iam:GetGroupPolicy",
        "iam:GetPolicyVersion",
        "iam:GetPolicy",
        "iam:ListAttachedGroupPolicies",
        "iam:ListGroupPolicies",
        "iam:ListPolicyVersions",
        "iam:ListPolicies",
        "iam:ListUsers"
      ],
      "Resource": "*"
    }
  ]
}
```

**AWS managed policies for AWS Amplify**

An AWS managed policy is a standalone policy that is created and administered by AWS. AWS managed policies are designed to provide permissions for many common use cases so that you can start assigning permissions to users, groups, and roles.

Keep in mind that AWS managed policies might not grant least-privilege permissions for your specific use cases because they’re available for all AWS customers to use. We recommend that you reduce permissions further by defining customer managed policies that are specific to your use cases.

You cannot change the permissions defined in AWS managed policies. If AWS updates the permissions defined in an AWS managed policy, the update affects all principal identities (users, groups, and roles) that the policy is attached to. AWS is most likely to update an AWS managed policy when a new AWS service is launched or new API operations become available for existing services.
AWS managed policy: AdministratorAccess-Amplify

You can attach the AdministratorAccess-Amplify policy to your IAM identities. Amplify also attaches this policy to a service role that allows Amplify to perform actions on your behalf.

When you deploy a backend in the Amplify console, you must create an Amplify-Backend Deployment service role that Amplify uses to create and manage AWS resources. IAM attaches the AdministratorAccess-Amplify managed policy to the Amplify-Backend Deployment service role.

This policy grants account administrative permissions while explicitly allowing direct access to resources that Amplify applications require to create and manage backends.

Permissions details

This policy provides access to multiple AWS services, including IAM actions. These actions allow identities with this policy to use AWS Identity and Access Management to create other identities with any permissions. This allows permissions escalation and this policy should be considered as powerful as the AdministratorAccess policy.

This policy grants the iam:PassRole action permission for all resources. This is required to support Amazon Cognito user pools configuration.

To view the permissions for this policy, see AdministratorAccess-Amplify in the AWS Managed Policy Reference.

AWS managed policy: AmplifyBackendDeployFullAccess

You can attach the AmplifyBackendDeployFullAccess policy to your IAM identities.

This policy grants Amplify full access permissions to deploy Amplify backend resources (AWS AppSync, Amazon Cognito, Amazon S3 and other related services) via the AWS Cloud Development Kit (AWS CDK). Permissions are deferred to the AWS CDK roles that have the necessary AdministratorAccess policy permissions.

```json
{
    "Version": "2012-10-17",
    "Statement": [
        {
            "Sid": "CDKPreDeploy",
            "Effect": "Allow",
            "Action": [  
                "cloudformation:DescribeStacks",
                "cloudformation:DescribeStackEvents",
                "cloudformation:GetTemplate",
                "cloudformation:GetTemplateSummary",
                "cloudformation:ListStackResources"
            ],
            "Resource": [  
                "arn:aws:cloudformation::*:stack/amplify-*",
                "arn:aws:cloudformation::*:stack/CDKToolkit/"
            ]
        },
        {
            "Sid": "AmplifyMetadata",
            "Effect": "Allow",
            "Action": [  
                "amplify:ListApps",
                "cloudformation:ListStacks",
                "ssm:DescribeParameters",
```
"appsync:GetIntrospectionSchema",
"amplify:GetBackendEnvironment"
],
"Resource": [ 
  "*
]
},
{
  "Sid": "AmplifyHotSwappableResources",
  "Effect": "Allow",
  "Action": [ 
    "appsync:GetSchemaCreationStatus",
    "appsync:StartSchemaCreation",
    "appsync:UpdateResolver",
    "appsync:ListFunctions",
    "appsync:UpdateFunction"
  ],
  "Resource": [ 
    "*
]
},
{
  "Sid": "AmplifySchema",
  "Effect": "Allow",
  "Action": [ 
    "s3:GetObject"
  ],
  "Resource": [ 
    "arn:aws:s3:::*amplify*",
    "arn:aws:s3:::cdk-*-assets-*-*"
  ],
  "Condition": { 
    "StringEquals": { 
      "aws:ResourceAccount": "$\{aws:PrincipalAccount\}"
    }
  }
},
{
  "Sid": "CDKDeploy",
  "Effect": "Allow",
  "Action": [ 
    "sts:AssumeRole"
  ],
  "Resource": [ 
    "arn:aws:iam::*:role/cdk-*-deploy-role-*-*",
    "arn:aws:iam::*:role/cdk-*-file-publishing-role-*-*",
    "arn:aws:iam::*:role/cdk-*-image-publishing-role-*-*",
    "arn:aws:iam::*:role/cdk-*-lookup-role-*-*"
  ]
},
{
  "Sid": "AmplifySSM",
  "Effect": "Allow",
  "Action": [ 
    "ssm:GetParametersByPath",
    "ssm:GetParameters",
    "ssm:GetParameter"
  ],
  "Resource": [ 
    "arn:aws:ssm::*:parameter/amplify*"
  ]
},
{
  "Sid": "AmplifyModifySSMParam",
  "Effect": "Allow",
  "Action": [ 

**Amplify updates to AWS managed policies**

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<td><strong>AmplifyBackendDeployFullAccess</strong> (Added)</td>
<td>Add the amplify:GetBackendEnvironment permission to support Amplify app deployment.</td>
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<td>Add the <code>s3:PutBucketPublicAccessBlock</code> permission to the <code>CLIManageViaCFNPolicy</code> statement block to allow the AWS CLI to support the Amazon S3 security best practice of enabling the Amazon S3 Block Public Access feature on internal buckets.</td>
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<td>Add the <code>cloudformation:DescribeStacks</code> permission to the <code>CLISDKCalls</code> statement block to support retrieving customers' AWS CloudFormation stacks on retries in the Amplify backend processor to avoid duplicating executions if a stack is updating.</td>
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<td><strong>AdministratorAccess-Amplify (p. 131) – Update to an existing policy</strong></td>
<td>Add policy actions to allow the Amplify server-side rendering feature to push application metrics to CloudWatch in a customer's AWS account.</td>
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<td><strong>AdministratorAccess-Amplify (p. 131) – Update to an existing policy</strong></td>
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| AdministratorAccess-Amplify (p. 131) – Update to an existing policy  | Add an action to allow customers to delete their server-side rendered (SSR) apps. This also allows the corresponding CloudFront distribution to be deleted successfully.  
Add an action to allow customers to specify a different Lambda function to handle events from an existing event source using the Amplify CLI.  
With these changes, AWS Lambda will be able to perform the `UpdateEventSourceMapping` action.                                                                 | April 17, 2022  |
| AdministratorAccess-Amplify (p. 131) – Update to an existing policy  | Add a policy action to enable Amplify UI Builder actions on all resources.                                                                                                                                                                                                     | December 2, 2021|
| AdministratorAccess-Amplify (p. 131) – Update to an existing policy  | Add policy actions to support the Amazon Cognito authentication feature that uses social identity providers.  
Add a policy action to support Lambda layers.  
Add a policy action to support the Amplify Storage category.                                                                                                                                     | November 8, 2021|
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| AdministratorAccess-Amplify (p. 131) – Update to an existing policy | Consolidate all Amplify actions into a single amplify:* action.  
Add an Amazon S3 action to support encrypting customer Amazon S3 buckets.  
Add IAM permission boundary actions to support Amplify apps that have permission boundaries enabled.  
Add Amazon SNS actions to support viewing origination phone numbers, and viewing, creating, verifying, and deleting destination phone numbers.  
Amplify Studio: Add Amazon Cognito, AWS Lambda, IAM, and AWS CloudFormation policy actions to enable managing backends in the Amplify console and Amplify Studio.  
Add an AWS Systems Manager (SSM) policy statement to manage Amplify environment secrets.  
Add an AWS CloudFormation ListResources action to support Lambda layers for Amplify apps. | July 28, 2021 |
| Amplify started tracking changes | Amplify started tracking changes for its AWS managed policies. | July 28, 2021 |

**Troubleshooting Amplify identity and access**

Use the following information to help you diagnose and fix common issues that you might encounter when working with Amplify and IAM.

**Topics**

- I am not authorized to perform an action in Amplify (p. 137)
- I am not authorized to perform iam:PassRole (p. 138)
- I want to allow people outside of my AWS account to access my Amplify resources (p. 138)

**I am not authorized to perform an action in Amplify**

If you receive an error that you're not authorized to perform an action, your policies must be updated to allow you to perform the action.
The following example error occurs when the mateojackson IAM user tries to use the console to view details about a fictional my-example-widget resource but doesn't have the fictional amplify:GetWidget permissions.

User: arn:aws:iam::123456789012:user/mateojackson is not authorized to perform: amplify:GetWidget on resource: my-example-widget

In this case, the policy for the mateojackson user must be updated to allow access to the my-example-widget resource by using the amplify:GetWidget action.

If you need help, contact your AWS administrator. Your administrator is the person who provided you with your sign-in credentials.

With the release of Amplify Studio, deleting an app or a backend requires both amplify and amplifybackend permissions. If an administrator has written an IAM policy that provides only amplify permissions, you will get a permissions error when trying to delete an app.

The following example error occurs when the mateojackson IAM user tries to use the console to delete a fictional example-amplify-app resource but does not have the amplifybackend:RemoveAllBackends permissions.

User: arn:aws:iam::123456789012:user/mateojackson is not authorized to perform: amplifybackend:RemoveAllBackends on resource: example-amplify-app

In this case, Mateo asks his administrator to update his policies to allow him to access the example-amplify-app resource using the amplifybackend:RemoveAllBackends action.

I am not authorized to perform iam:PassRole

If you receive an error that you're not authorized to perform the iam:PassRole action, your policies must be updated to allow you to pass a role to Amplify.

Some AWS services allow you to pass an existing role to that service instead of creating a new service role or service-linked role. To do this, you must have permissions to pass the role to the service.

The following example error occurs when an IAM user named marymajor tries to use the console to perform an action in Amplify. However, the action requires the service to have permissions that are granted by a service role. Mary does not have permissions to pass the role to the service.

User: arn:aws:iam::123456789012:user/marymajor is not authorized to perform: iam:PassRole

In this case, Mary's policies must be updated to allow her to perform the iam:PassRole action.

If you need help, contact your AWS administrator. Your administrator is the person who provided you with your sign-in credentials.

I want to allow people outside of my AWS account to access my Amplify resources

You can create a role that users in other accounts or people outside of your organization can use to access your resources. You can specify who is trusted to assume the role. For services that support resource-based policies or access control lists (ACLs), you can use those policies to grant people access to your resources.

To learn more, consult the following:

- To learn whether Amplify supports these features, see How Amplify works with IAM (p. 124).
To learn how to provide access to your resources across AWS accounts that you own, see Providing access to an IAM user in another AWS account that you own in the IAM User Guide.

To learn how to provide access to your resources to third-party AWS accounts, see Providing access to AWS accounts owned by third parties in the IAM User Guide.

To learn how to provide access through identity federation, see Providing access to externally authenticated users (identity federation) in the IAM User Guide.

To learn the difference between using roles and resource-based policies for cross-account access, see How IAM roles differ from resource-based policies in the IAM User Guide.

Amplify permissions reference

The following table lists each AWS Amplify Console API operation, the corresponding permissions required to perform the operation, and the AWS resource for which you can grant the permissions. Refer to this table when setting up access control and writing permissions policies that you can attach to an IAM identity (identity-based policies).

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<td>arn:aws:amplify:region:account-id:apps/app-id</td>
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<td>arn:aws:amplifybackend:region:account-id:backend/app-id/api</td>
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<td>CreateBackendAuth</td>
<td>amplifybackend:CreateBackendAuth</td>
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<td>arn:aws:amplifybackend:region:account-id:backend/app-id/auth</td>
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<td>CreateBackendConfig</td>
<td>amplifybackend:CreateBackendConfig</td>
<td>arn:aws:amplifybackend:region:account-id:backend/app-id</td>
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<td>CreateToken</td>
<td>amplifybackend:CreateToken</td>
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<td>RemoveAllBackends</td>
<td>amplifybackend:RemoveAllBackends</td>
<td>arn:aws:amplifybackend::region:account-id:backend/app-id/arn:aws:amplifybackend::region:account-id:backend/app-id/environments</td>
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<td>RemoveBackendConfig</td>
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<tr>
<td>UpdateBackendConfig</td>
<td>amplifybackend:UpdateBackendConfig</td>
<td>arn:aws:amplifybackend::region:account-id:backend/app-id</td>
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Data Protection in Amplify

AWS Amplify conforms to the AWS shared responsibility model, which includes regulations and guidelines for data protection. AWS is responsible for protecting the global infrastructure that runs all the AWS services. AWS maintains control over data hosted on this infrastructure, including the security configuration controls for handling customer content and personal data. AWS customers and APN partners, acting either as data controllers or data processors, are responsible for any personal data that they put in the AWS Cloud.

For data protection purposes, we recommend that you protect AWS account credentials and set up individual users with AWS IAM Identity Center or AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM). That way each user is given only the permissions necessary to fulfill their job duties. We also recommend that you secure your data in the following ways:

- Use multi-factor authentication (MFA) with each account.
- Use SSL/TLS to communicate with AWS resources.
- Set up API and user activity logging with AWS CloudTrail.
- Use AWS encryption solutions, along with all default security controls within AWS services.
- Use advanced managed security services such as Amazon Macie, which assists in discovering and securing personal data that is stored in Amazon S3.

We strongly recommend that you never put sensitive identifying information, such as your customers' account numbers, into free-form fields such as a Name field. This includes when you work with Amplify or other AWS services using the console, API, AWS CLI, or AWS SDKs. Any data that you enter into Amplify or other services might get picked up for inclusion in diagnostic logs. When you provide a URL to an external server, don’t include credentials information in the URL to validate your request to that server.

For more information about data protection, see the AWS Shared Responsibility Model and GDPR blog post on the AWS Security Blog.

Encryption at rest

Encryption at rest refers to protecting your data from unauthorized access by encrypting data while stored. Amplify encrypts an app's build artifacts by default using AWS KMS keys for Amazon S3 that are managed by the AWS Key Management Service.

Amplify uses Amazon CloudFront to serve your app to your customers. CloudFront uses SSDs which are encrypted for edge location points of presence (POPs), and encrypted EBS volumes for Regional Edge Caches (RECs). Function code and configuration in CloudFront Functions is always stored in an encrypted format on the encrypted SSDs on the edge location POPs, and in other storage locations used by CloudFront.

Encryption in transit

Encryption in transit refers to protecting your data from being intercepted while it moves between communication endpoints. Amplify Hosting provides encryption for data in-transit by default. All communication between customers and Amplify and between Amplify and its downstream dependencies is protected using TLS connections that are signed using the Signature Version 4 signing process. All Amplify Hosting endpoints use SHA-256 certificates that are managed by AWS Certificate Manager Private Certificate Authority. For more information, see Signature Version 4 signing process and What is ACM PCA.
Encryption key management

AWS Key Management Service (KMS) is a managed service for creating and controlling AWS KMS keys, the encryption keys used to encrypt customer data. AWS Amplify generates and manages cryptographic keys for encrypting data on behalf of customers. There are no encryption keys for you to manage.

Compliance Validation for AWS Amplify

Third-party auditors assess the security and compliance of AWS Amplify as part of multiple AWS compliance programs. These include SOC, PCI, ISO, HIPAA, MTCS, CS, K-ISMS, ENS High, OSPAR, HITRUST CSF, and FINMA.

To learn whether an AWS service is within the scope of specific compliance programs, see AWS services in Scope by Compliance Program and choose the compliance program that you are interested in. For general information, see AWS Compliance Programs.

You can download third-party audit reports using AWS Artifact. For more information, see Downloading Reports in AWS Artifact.

Your compliance responsibility when using AWS services is determined by the sensitivity of your data, your company’s compliance objectives, and applicable laws and regulations. AWS provides the following resources to help with compliance:

- **Security and Compliance Quick Start Guides** – These deployment guides discuss architectural considerations and provide steps for deploying baseline environments on AWS that are security and compliance focused.
- **Architecting for HIPAA Security and Compliance on Amazon Web Services** – This whitepaper describes how companies can use AWS to create HIPAA-eligible applications.

  **Note**
  Not all AWS services are HIPAA eligible. For more information, see the HIPAA Eligible Services Reference.

- **AWS Compliance Resources** – This collection of workbooks and guides might apply to your industry and location.
- **Evaluating Resources with Rules** in the AWS Config Developer Guide – The AWS Config service assesses how well your resource configurations comply with internal practices, industry guidelines, and regulations.
- **AWS Security Hub** – This AWS service provides a comprehensive view of your security state within AWS. Security Hub uses security controls to evaluate your AWS resources and to check your compliance against security industry standards and best practices. For a list of supported services and controls, see Security Hub controls reference.
- **AWS Audit Manager** – This AWS service helps you continuously audit your AWS usage to simplify how you manage risk and compliance with regulations and industry standards.

Infrastructure Security in AWS Amplify

As a managed service, AWS Amplify is protected by AWS global network security. For information about AWS security services and how AWS protects infrastructure, see AWS Cloud Security. To design your AWS environment using the best practices for infrastructure security, see Infrastructure Protection in Security Pillar AWS Well-Architected Framework.

You use AWS published API calls to access Amplify through the network. Clients must support the following:
• Transport Layer Security (TLS). We require TLS 1.2 and recommend TLS 1.3.
• Cipher suites with perfect forward secrecy (PFS) such as DHE (Ephemeral Diffie-Hellman) or ECDHE (Elliptic Curve Ephemeral Diffie-Hellman). Most modern systems such as Java 7 and later support these modes.

Additionally, requests must be signed by using an access key ID and a secret access key that is associated with an IAM principal. Or you can use the AWS Security Token Service (AWS STS) to generate temporary security credentials to sign requests.

Security event logging and monitoring in Amplify

Monitoring is an important part of maintaining the reliability, availability, and performance of Amplify and your other AWS solutions. AWS provides the following monitoring tools to watch Amplify, report when something is wrong, and take automatic actions when appropriate:

• Amazon CloudWatch monitors in real time your AWS resources and the applications that you run on AWS. You can collect and track metrics, create customized dashboards, and set alarms that notify you or take actions when a certain metric reaches a threshold that you specify. For example, you can have CloudWatch track CPU usage or other metrics of your Amazon Elastic Compute Cloud (Amazon EC2) instances and automatically launch new instances when needed. For more information about using CloudWatch metrics and alarms with Amplify, see Monitoring (p. 104).
• Amazon CloudWatch Logs enables you to monitor, store, and access your log files from Amazon EC2 instances, AWS CloudTrail, and other sources. CloudWatch Logs can monitor information in the log files and notify you when certain thresholds are met. You can also archive your log data in highly durable storage. For more information, see the Amazon CloudWatch Logs User Guide.
• AWS CloudTrail captures API calls and related events made by or on behalf of your AWS account and delivers the log files to an Amazon Simple Storage Service (Amazon S3) bucket that you specify. You can identify which users and accounts called AWS, the source IP address from which the calls were made, and when the calls occurred. For more information, see Logging Amplify API calls using AWS CloudTrail (p. 116).
• Amazon EventBridge is a serverless event bus service that makes it easy to connect your applications with data from a variety of sources. EventBridge delivers a stream of real-time data from your own applications, Software-as-a-Service (SaaS) applications, and AWS services, and routes that data to targets such as AWS Lambda. This enables you to monitor events that happen in services and build event-driven architectures. For more information, see the Amazon EventBridge User Guide.

Cross-service confused deputy prevention

The confused deputy problem is a security issue where an entity that doesn't have permission to perform an action can coerce a more-privileged entity to perform the action. In AWS, cross-service impersonation can result in the confused deputy problem. Cross-service impersonation can occur when one service (the calling service) calls another service (the called service). The calling service can be manipulated to use its permissions to act on another customer's resources in a way it should not otherwise have permission to access. To prevent this, AWS provides tools that help you protect your data for all services with service principals that have been given access to resources in your account.

We recommend using the aws:SourceArn and aws:SourceAccount global condition context keys in resource policies to limit the permissions that AWS Amplify gives another service to the resource. If you use both global condition context keys, the aws:SourceAccount value and the account in the aws:SourceArn value must use the same account ID when used in the same policy statement.

The value of aws:SourceArn must be the branch ARN of the Amplify app. Specify this value in the format arn:Partition:amplify:Region:Account:apps/AppId/branches/BranchName.
The most effective way to protect against the confused deputy problem is to use the `aws:SourceArn`
global condition context key with the full ARN of the resource. If you don't know the full ARN
of the resource or if you are specifying multiple resources, use the `aws:SourceArn` global
context condition key with wildcards (*) for the unknown portions of the ARN. For example,
arn:aws:service::123456789012:*.

The following example shows a role trust policy you can apply to limit access to any Amplify app in your
account and prevent the confused deputy problem. To use this policy, replace the red italicized text in
the example policy with your own information.

```json
{
    "Version": "2012-10-17",
    "Statement": {
        "Sid": "ConfusedDeputyPreventionExamplePolicy",
        "Effect": "Allow",
        "Principal": {
            "Service": [
                "amplify.me-south-1.amazonaws.com",
                "amplify.eu-south-1.amazonaws.com",
                "amplify.ap-east-1.amazonaws.com",
                "amplifybackend.amazonaws.com",
                "amplify.amazonaws.com"
            ],
            "Action": "sts:AssumeRole",
            "Condition": {
                "ArnLike": {
                    "aws:SourceArn": "arn:aws:amplify:us-east-1:123456789012:apps/*"
                },
                "StringEquals": {
                    "aws:SourceAccount": "123456789012"
                }
            }
        }
    }
}
```

The following example shows a role trust policy you can apply to limit access to a specified Amplify app
in your account and prevent the confused deputy problem. To use this policy, replace the red italicized
text in the example policy with your own information.

```json
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    "Version": "2012-10-17",
    "Statement": {
        "Sid": "ConfusedDeputyPreventionExamplePolicy",
        "Effect": "Allow",
        "Principal": {
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                "amplify.eu-south-1.amazonaws.com",
                "amplify.ap-east-1.amazonaws.com",
                "amplifybackend.amazonaws.com",
                "amplify.amazonaws.com"
            ],
            "Action": "sts:AssumeRole",
            "Condition": {
                "ArnLike": {
                    "aws:SourceArn": "arn:aws:amplify:us-east-1:123456789012:apps/d123456789/branches/*"
                },
                "StringEquals": {
                    "aws:SourceAccount": "123456789012"
                }
            }
        }
    }
}
```
Security best practices for Amplify

Amplify provides a number of security features to consider as you develop and implement your own security policies. The following best practices are general guidelines and don't represent a complete security solution. Because these best practices might not be appropriate or sufficient for your environment, treat them as helpful recommendations rather than prescriptions.

Using cookies with the Amplify default domain

When you use Amplify to deploy a web app, Amplify hosts it for you on the default amplifyapp.com domain. You can view your app on a URL formatted as https://branch-name.d1m7bkiki6tdw1.amplifyapp.com.

To augment the security of your Amplify applications, the amplifyapp.com domain is registered in the Public Suffix List (PSL). For further security, we recommend that you use cookies with a __Host- prefix if you ever need to set sensitive cookies in the default domain name for your Amplify applications. This practice will help to defend your domain against cross-site request forgery attempts (CSRF). For more information see the Set-Cookie page in the Mozilla Developer Network.
Amplify Hosting service quotas

The following are the service quotas for AWS Amplify Hosting. Service quotas (previously referred to as limits) are the maximum number of service resources or operations for your AWS account.

New AWS accounts have reduced apps and concurrent jobs quotas. AWS raises these quotas automatically based on your usage. You can also request a quota increase.

The Service Quotas console provides information about the quotas for your account. You can use the Service Quotas console to view default quotas and request quota increases for adjustable quotas. For more information, see Requesting a quota increase in the Service Quotas User Guide.

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<td>Yes</td>
<td>The maximum number of apps that you can create in AWS Amplify Console in this account in the current Region.</td>
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<td>Branches per app</td>
<td>Each supported Region: 50</td>
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<td>Build artifact size</td>
<td>Each supported Region: 5 Gigabytes</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>The maximum size (in GB) of an app build artifact. A build artifact is deployed by AWS Amplify Console after a build.</td>
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<td>Cache artifact size</td>
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<td>Concurrent jobs</td>
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<td>Each supported Region: 5</td>
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For more information about Amplify service quotas, see [AWS Amplify endpoints and quotas](#) in the AWS General Reference.
AWS Amplify Hosting reference

Use the topics in this section to find detailed reference material for AWS Amplify.

Topics

- AWS CloudFormation support (p. 152)
- AWS Command Line Interface support (p. 152)
- Resource tagging support (p. 152)
- Amplify Hosting API (p. 152)

AWS CloudFormation support

Use AWS CloudFormation templates to provision Amplify resources, enabling repeatable and reliable web app deployments. AWS CloudFormation provides a common language for you to describe and provision all the infrastructure resources in your cloud environment and simplifies the roll out across multiple AWS accounts and/or regions with just a couple of clicks.

For Amplify Hosting, see the Amplify CloudFormation documentation. For Amplify Studio, see the Amplify UI Builder CloudFormation documentation.

AWS Command Line Interface support

Use the AWS Command Line Interface to create Amplify apps programmatically from the command line. For information, see the AWS CLI documentation.

Resource tagging support

You can use the AWS Command Line Interface to tag Amplify resources. For more information, see the AWS CLI tag-resource documentation.

Amplify Hosting API

This reference provides descriptions of the actions and data types for the Amplify Hosting API. For more information, see the Amplify API reference documentation.
## Document history for AWS Amplify

The following table describes the important changes to the documentation since the last release of AWS Amplify.

- **Latest documentation update:** November 6, 2023

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<td>New managed policy</td>
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<td>New support for monorepo frameworks feature launch</td>
<td>Updated the <a href="#">Monorepo build settings</a> topic to describe support for deploying apps in monorepos created using npm workspace, pnpm workspace, Yarn workspace, Nx, and Turborepo.</td>
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<td>Added the <a href="https://aws.amazon.com/amplify/policies">Automatic build-time generation of Amplify config (p. 65)</a> topic to describe how to autogenerate the aws-exports.js file at build-time. Added the <a href="https://aws.amazon.com/amplify/policies">Conditional backend builds (p. 66)</a> topic to describe how to enable conditional backend builds. Added the <a href="https://aws.amazon.com/amplify/policies">Use Amplify backends across apps (p. 66)</a> topic to describe how to reuse existing backends when you create a new app, connect a new branch to an existing app, or update an existing frontend to point to a different backend environment.</td>
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<td>Updated Security chapter</td>
<td>Added the <a href="https://aws.amazon.com/amplify/policies">Data Protection in Amplify (p. 145)</a> topic to describe how to apply the shared responsibility model and how Amplify uses encryption to protect your data at rest and in transit.</td>
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<td>New security chapter</td>
<td>Added the [Security in Amplify](p. 119) chapter to describe how to apply the shared responsibility model when using Amplify and how to configure Amplify to meet your security and compliance objectives.</td>
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<td>Updated custom builds topic</td>
<td>Updated the <a href="p.">Custom build images and live package updates</a> topic to describe how to configure a custom build image hosted in Amazon Elastic Container Registry Public.</td>
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<td>Added the <a href="p.">Logging Amplify API calls using AWS CloudTrail</a> topic to describe how AWS CloudTrail captures and logs all of the API actions for the AWS Amplify Console API Reference and the AWS Amplify Admin UI API Reference.</td>
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<td>Updated the [Welcome to AWS Amplify Hosting](p. 1) topic to describe the new Admin UI that provides a visual interface for frontend web and mobile developers to create and manage app backends outside the AWS Management Console.</td>
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