# Implementation Guide

# Amazon Marketing Cloud Uploader from AWS



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# Use this solution to upload first-party signals into Amazon Marketing Cloud (AMC) for evaluating and planning advertising campaigns

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Advertisers and their partners have asked for easier ways to generate insights from their collective signals to plan, activate, and measure advertising campaigns. These customers look to AWS for guided workflows and automation tools to simplify multi-party collaboration *clean rooms* and accelerate consumer insights for their advertising use cases.

Amazon Marketing Cloud (AMC) is a secure, privacy-safe, and dedicated cloud-based environment in which advertisers can easily perform analytics across multiple, pseudonymized signals to generate aggregated reports. Inputs can include an advertiser's own signals, as well as their Amazon Ads campaign events, such as impressions, clicks, and conversions. AMC reports can help with campaign measurement, audience refinement, supply optimization, and more, allowing advertisers to make more informed decisions about their cross-channel marketing investments.

Using first-party signals is crucial to companies' advertising efforts, including in Amazon Ads, yet many brands face challenges in going from signal source to formatting and uploading pseudonymous signals. Brands have limited technical resources and need ready-to-use solutions to remove the heavy lifting of normalizing, hashing, and preparing data for uploading to AMC.

The Amazon Marketing Cloud Uploader from AWS solution helps Amazon Ads customers seamlessly upload customer signals into their Amazon Marketing Cloud (AMC) instance without dedicating IT resources to build and support the upload workflows. This allows Amazon Ads customers to continue optimizing their Amazon Ads campaigns within AMC while maintaining complete control of their data, as output data is encrypted, transferred, and normalized before it is uploaded into the AMC instance.

This solution is available today to Amazon Ads customers with an existing AMC instance and access to the AWS Account associated with AMC. Customers can use an IAM Role or credential generated in their AWS account to access the AMC API. Customers can deploy this solution directly from the AWS Solutions library using the AWS CloudFormation template to run the normalization, hashing, file transfer, and API calls required by the AMC API. After data is uploaded users can query the AMC API for multi-party collaboration insights across first-party and Amazon Ads' pseudonymous signals.

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Use this navigation table to quickly find answers to these questions:

If you want to	Read
Know the cost for running this solution.	Cost
The estimated cost for uploading 1 terabyte per month with this solution in the US East (N. Virginia) Region is USD \$542.84 per month.	
Understand the security considerations for this solution.	Security
Know how to plan for quotas for this solution.	Quotas
Know which AWS Regions support this solution.	Supported AWS Regions
View or download the AWS CloudForm ation template included in this solution to automatically deploy the infrastructure resources (the "stack") for this solution.	AWS CloudFormation template
Access the source code and optionally use the AWS Cloud Development Kit (AWS CDK) to deploy the solution.	GitHub repository

This guide is intended for solution architects, DevOps engineers, data scientists, and cloud professionals who want to implement Amazon Marketing Cloud Uploader from AWS in their environment.

# **Features and benefits**

The Amazon Marketing Cloud Uploader from AWS solution provides the following features:

Marketers and their partners can:

1. Ensure first-party signals are stored, encrypted, and controlled within your AWS account and have end-to-end visibility on each step of the activation workflow.

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- 2. Improve campaign planning by developing insights based on multi-party customer intersection and attribute enrichment.
- 3. Provide campaign measurement and attribution with multi-party data that helps connect the dots in a consumer's path to purchase from Amazon Ads properties to customer's first-party and third-party signals.

#### Amazon Marketing Cloud Uploader from AWS transforms data to streamline ingestion into AMC

This solution transforms the data for ingestion into AMC to meet AMC's unique requirements on the data prior to ingestion.

#### User interface for transformation of data

AMC requires a specific format prior to ingestion. Amazon Marketing Cloud Uploader from AWS provides a user interface (UI) via webpage to define the transformations.

#### API to automate the transformation of data and loading into AMC

An API is available for customers looking to automate the process of transforming data, and ingestion of the transformed data into AMC.

# Amazon Marketing Cloud Uploader from AWS is launched in the customer AWS account so customers have full control of the data they want to share

Users retain control over the data they're interested in sharing with AMC.

# Amazon Marketing Cloud Uploader from AWS also serves as a reference application from which developers can jump-start their own custom ETL pipelines for AMC

Developers can modify the data normalizations in the provided AWS Glue job to maximize identity resolution in AMC for their organization's datasets.

# Integration with AWS Service Catalog AppRegistry and Application Manager, a capability of Systems Manager

This solution includes an <u>AppRegistry</u> resource to register the solution's CloudFormation template and its underlying resources as an application in both AppRegistry and <u>Application Manager</u>. With this integration, you can centrally manage the solution's resources and enable application search, reporting, and management actions.

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#### **Use cases**

Amazon Marketing Cloud Uploader from AWS users can analyze their data alongside AMC data to gain insights into the customer journey

Amazon Marketing Cloud Uploader from AWS makes it easier to upload data to AMC, so customers can gain insight from the combined customer and AMC data.

# **Concepts and definitions**

This section describes key concepts and defines terminology specific to this solution:

#### Personally identifiable information (PII)

PII is a textual reference to personal data that could be used to identify an individual. PII examples include addresses, bank account numbers, and phone numbers.

#### Amazon Marketing Cloud (AMC)

Amazon Marketing Cloud (AMC) is a secure, privacy-safe, and cloud-based clean room solution, in which advertisers can easily perform analytics across pseudonymized signals, including Amazon Ads signals as well as their own inputs.

For a general reference of AWS terms, refer to the AWS glossary.

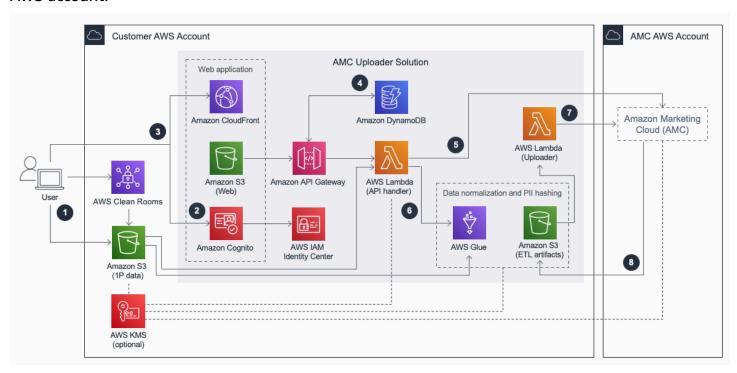
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# **Architecture overview**

This section provides a reference implementation architecture diagram for the components deployed with this solution.

# **Architecture diagram**

Deploying this solution with the default parameters deploys the following components in your AWS account.



#### Amazon Marketing Cloud Uploader from AWS architecture diagram

The high-level process flow for the solution components deployed with the AWS CloudFormation template is as follows:

- 1. User uploads first-party data to a designated <u>Amazon Simple Storage Service</u> (Amazon S3) bucket or exports data from AWS Clean Rooms to the Amazon S3 bucket. Optionally, the user designates an AWS KMS key to decrypt and encrypt source data and its derivatives throughout the ETL pipeline.
- 2. User logs in with <u>Amazon Cognito</u> to the provided web application and obtains the authorization tokens needed to load frontend assets from Amazon S3 and backend resources from <u>Amazon</u> API Gateway.

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- 3. Users interact with the provided web application through an <a href="Mailto:Amazon CloudFront">Amazon CloudFront</a> distribution and an API Gateway endpoint. The CloudFront resource serves static website assets from Amazon S3. The API Gateway resource provides a REST API interface to the API handler <a href="AWS Lambda">AWS Lambda</a> resource. This resource includes a variety of functions for creating, reading, updating, and deleting datasets. When an AWS KMS key is used to encrypt first-party data, this resource will also use the designated AWS KMS key to decrypt and read that data.
- 4. The <u>Amazon DynamoDB</u> resource stores system configurations, such as user-specified connection details for Amazon Marketing Cloud instances. These configurations are used in the frontend via the API handler Lambda resource.
- 5. The API handler Lambda resource interacts with one or more Amazon Marketing Cloud instances in order to create, read, update, and delete datasets.
- 6. When users submit requests to upload data to new or existing datasets, the API handler Lambda resource starts an <u>AWS Glue</u> ETL job to normalize, hash, and reformat user-specified files according to the data upload rules of Amazon Marketing Cloud. The AWS Glue job will use the optionally designated AWS KMS key to decrypt the first-party data and encrypt transformed data objects when they are written to Amazon S3.
- 7. The AWS Glue job outputs results to an ETL artifacts Amazon S3 bucket. This event initiates a request from the Uploader Lambda resource to each user-specified Amazon Marketing Cloud instance to initiate uploads of those results.
- 8. Each user-specified Amazon Marketing Cloud instance asynchronously uploads transformed data objects from the ETL artifacts Amazon S3 bucket and uses the optionally designated AWS KMS key to decrypt those objects when needed.

# **AWS Well-Architected design considerations**

This solution was designed with best practices from the <u>AWS Well-Architected Framework</u> which helps customers design and operate reliable, secure, efficient, and cost-effective workloads in the cloud.

This section describes how the design principles and best practices of the Well-Architected Framework were applied when building this solution.

# **Operational excellence**

This section describes how we architected this solution using the principles and best practices of the operational excellence pillar.

- **Operations as code** A REST API provides the ability to run ETL workflows by invoking them ondemand, on a schedule, or in response to events.
- **Refine operations procedures** A modular data transformation resource provides the opportunity to refine data normalization logic to improve match rates in AMC.
- **Application telemetry** Metrics and logs stored in <u>AWS CloudWatch</u> and <u>AWS X-Ray</u> provide insight into user activity, end-to-end transactions, and the health of back-end resources.
- **Design for operations** Versioning in solution source allows tracking of changes and releases. Versioning in pre-built AWS CloudFormation templates and the built-in REST API allows endusers to revert to known good states, previous versions, and limit the risk of assets being lost.
- **Continuous improvement** A public <u>GitHub repository</u> provides a forum where users and developers can collaborate to address software defects and feature requests.

## **Security**

This section describes how we architected this solution using the principles and best practices of the security pillar.

- Amazon Cognito provides authentication, authorization, and user management for the web application.
- Access to each resource in the infrastructure is controlled by <u>AWS Identity and Access</u> Management (IAM).
- All IAM policies have been scoped down to the minimum permissions required for the service to function properly.
- HTTP clients obtain the permissions needed to run their requests by providing access keys and tokens through the Signature Version 4 (SigV4) signing process.
- SigV4 signing is integrated into the web application to map Amazon Cognito tokens to IAM policies.
- All data storage including Amazon S3 buckets have encryption at rest. All data in motion is encrypted using Transport Layer Security (TLS).
- <u>Amazon CloudFront</u> improves website security with traffic encryption and access controls, and can use AWS Shield Standard to defend against distributed denial-of-service (DDoS) attacks at no additional charge.

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## Reliability

This section describes how we architected this solution using the principles and best practices of the reliability pillar.

- The solution exclusively uses AWS serverless services (for example, AWS Lambda, Amazon API Gateway, and Amazon S3) to ensure high availability and recovery from service failure.
- Data processing uses AWS Lambda functions. Data is stored in Amazon S3, so it persists in multiple Availability Zones (AZs) by default; Amazon S3 offers 99.999999999 (11 9s) durability.
- Amazon CloudFront is used to render static content from the user's AWS account to a publicly available website. Amazon CloudFront reduces latency by delivering data through 410+ globally dispersed Points of Presence (PoPs) with automated network mapping and intelligent routing.
- The use of AWS Lambda functions as a serverless architecture with no dedicated VMs, which increases reliability through distributed computing.
- The solution automatically throttles Lambda functions through concurrency settings when connected to downstream API endpoints to meet service quota limits.

# **Performance efficiency**

This section describes how we architected this solution using the principles and best practices of the performance efficiency pillar.

- The solution uses serverless architecture throughout.
- The solution is periodically reviewed by solution architects and subject matter experts for areas to experiment and improve.
- AWS Glue is an efficient ETL engine for running scripts and transforming the data.

#### **Cost optimization**

This section describes how we architected this solution using the principles and best practices of the cost optimization pillar.

- The solution uses serverless architecture therefore, customers only get charged for what they
  use.
- The compute layer defaults to AWS Lambda, so it provides pay-per-use.

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• AWS Glue jobs for ETL are batched in the largest size allowed to minimize transaction costs.

# **Sustainability**

This section describes how we architected this solution using the principles and best practices of the sustainability pillar.

• The solution utilizes managed and serverless services, to minimize the environmental impact of the backend services. The solution's serverless design using AWS Lambda, Amazon S3, and the use of managed services such as Amazon Cognito, are aimed at reducing carbon footprint compared to the footprint of continually operating on-premises servers.

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## **Architecture details**

This section describes the components and AWS services that make up this solution and the architecture details on how these components work together.

# Web application

After deploying via AWS CloudFormation template, the web application allows the user to select a file to be used as the source data and provides a way to define the transformations of the selected data prior to ingestion by Amazon Marketing Cloud.

# **Amazon API Gateway**

Dynamic functionality is implemented in the static web application by using JavaScript to call a REST API built with AWS Lambda and Amazon API Gateway.

# **Amazon DynamoDB**

Within the provided web application, users must specify endpoint attributes for one or more target AMC instances. These properties are stored in an Amazon DynamoDB table and used to establish connections for creating and populating datasets.

#### **AWS Glue**

AWS Marketing Cloud requires the data be in a specific format prior to ingestion. AWS Glue is the service that works with the web client to normalize and transform the data as defined in the user interface. Included in that transformation is the ability to define the time-series partition of the data (hour, day, month). After the AWS Glue job is complete, a notification is sent using <a href="Marketing Cloud requires the data as defined in the user interface.">Marketing Cloud requires the data as defined in the user interface.</a> Included in that transformation is the ability to define the time-series partition of the data (hour, day, month). After the AWS Glue job is complete, a notification is sent using <a href="Marketing Amazon S3">Amazon S3</a> event notifications.

# **AWS Lambda**

There are two Amazon Lambda resources in this solution. One Lambda function acts as the API handler to process client requests. Another Lambda function notifies AMC to begin the ingestion process when datasets are ready for upload.

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#### **Amazon S3**

Two Amazon S3 buckets are used, one for hosting static web application resources, and one for storing ETL artifacts. AMC is notified to begin uploading data transformation results as soon as they are written to the ETL artifacts bucket. The ETL artifacts bucket has a lifecycle policy to automatically remove data transformation results after three days. This setting can be modified in the AWS console under the S3 settings. For details, refer to Setting lifecycle configuration on a bucket in the Amazon Simple Storage Service User Guide.

#### **Amazon CloudFront**

This solution deploys a web console <u>hosted</u> in an Amazon S3 bucket. To help reduce latency and improve security, this solution includes an Amazon CloudFront distribution with an origin access identity, which is a CloudFront user that provides public access to the solution's website bucket contents. For more information, refer to <u>Restricting access to an Amazon S3 origin</u> in the *Amazon CloudFront Developer Guide*.

#### **AWS** services in this solution

AWS service	Description
AWS Glue	<b>Core.</b> AWS Glue transforms and normalizes the data in preparation for ingestion into AMC.
AWS Lambda	<b>Core.</b> One Lambda function creates the dataset within the AMC instance via API Gateway. The other Lambda function calls the AMC API to begin the ingestion process.
Amazon S3	<b>Core.</b> S3 hosts the web client, first party data, and the ETL artifact data.
Amazon API Gateway	<b>Supporting.</b> Provides a way to run the application via API, or via the web client.
Amazon CloudFront	<b>Supporting.</b> CloudFront improves security with traffic encryption and works with

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AWS service	Description
	Amazon S3 and Amazon Cognito on access control.
Amazon Cognito	<b>Supporting.</b> Provides authorization of users to web client.
Amazon DynamoDB	<b>Supporting.</b> Uploads to one or more AMC instances.
AWS IAM Identity Center	<b>Supporting.</b> Allows for fine-grained permissio ns to AWS services and resources.

# How Amazon Marketing Cloud Uploader from AWS works

The AMC data upload functionality includes very specific requirements for the following data preparation criteria:

- 1. Time-series file partitioning
- 2. Normalization
- 3. PII hashing

The primary objective of this solution is to help AMC users prepare data files according to those criteria and to subsequently load them into new AMC datasets.

Amazon Marketing Cloud Uploader from AWS provides a web application that guides users to specify the information required for dataset definitions and data preparation. Once users submit their information through the web application, an AWS Glue job transforms their data files according to AMC's data preparation criteria and saves the resulting files to an ETL artifact bucket.

Although this solution automates the process of data preparation, the original files must meet a set of file formats. Refer to the AMC data upload file format requirements section.

The AWS Glue job can fail for the following two reasons:

1. If the original data files are not formatted according to the specification in the AMC Data Upload documentation, then the AWS Glue job will explicitly fail.

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2. If original data files include addresses, phone numbers, or other values which require normalization that has not been implemented in the AWS Glue job then AMC will not be able to use those fields to resolve identities.

You can identify errors which lead to explicit AWS Glue job failures from the job logs provided in the AWS Glue console.

If you observe poor identity resolution rates in AMC from datasets that you uploaded using this solution, then you should open the AWS Glue job output files to validate whether your data has been normalized according to the rules documented in the AMC Data Upload Documentation [Beta].pdf documentation which can be downloaded from the Documentation link shown on your AMC instance administration page. Note that the location for the output files will be shown in the AWS Glue job run log.

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# Plan your deployment

This section describes the <u>cost</u>, <u>security</u>, <u>log retention</u>, <u>Region</u>, and <u>quota</u> considerations for planning your deployment.

#### Cost

You are responsible for the cost of the AWS services used while running this solution. As of this revision, the estimated cost for uploading 1 terabyte per month with this solution in the US East (N. Virginia) region is USD \$542 per month.

Refer to the pricing webpage for each AWS service used in this solution.

We recommend creating a <u>budget</u> through <u>AWS Cost Explorer</u> to help manage costs. Prices are subject to change. For full details, refer to the pricing webpage for each AWS service used in this solution.

No licenses are required to deploy this solution. There is no cost to use this solution, but you will be billed for any AWS services or resources that this solution deploys.

# Sample cost table

Example scenario: A customer wishes to send a transform and ingest sales data with 1,000 rows to AMC, once a day.

The following table provides a sample cost breakdown for deploying this solution with the default parameters in the US East (N. Virginia) Region for one month.

AWS service	Dimensions	Cost [USD]/month
AWS Key Management Service	Two KMS keys per stack and encryption operations from uploading 37 GB per day.	\$2.30
Amazon S3	Temporary storage required to upload 37GB per day.	\$0.50

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AWS service	Dimensions	Cost [USD]/month
Amazon API Gateway	API requests required to handle 100 uploads per day.	\$0.01
AWS Lambda	Compute costs required to handle 100 uploads per day.	\$0.01
Amazon DynamoDB	1 user performing 10 uploads per day interactively on the AMC Uploader web interface.	\$0.02
AWS Glue	41 DPU hoursforApacheSpark Job to upload 37GB per day.	\$540.00
	Total:	\$542.84

# **Security**

When you build systems on AWS infrastructure, security responsibilities are shared between you and AWS. This <u>shared model</u> reduces your operational burden because AWS operates, manages, and controls the components including the host operating system, the virtualization layer, and the physical security of the facilities in which the services operate. For more information about AWS security, visit AWS Cloud Security.

# Amazon S3 access logging bucket configuration

We recommend that you configure a central access logging Amazon S3 bucket, and update the S3 buckets that this solution creates to allowing access logging. For more information about Amazon S3 access logging refer to <a href="Enabling Amazon S3 server access logging">Enabling Amazon S3 server access logging</a> in the Amazon Simple Storage Service User Guide.

#### **IAM** roles

AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) roles allow customers to assign granular access policies and permissions to services and users on the AWS Cloud. This solution creates IAM roles that grant the solution's AWS Lambda functions access to create regional resources.

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#### **Amazon CloudFront**

This solution deploys an Amazon CloudFront distribution and uses the default CloudFront domain name and SSL certificate. The default CloudFront SSL certificate only supports TLSv1. To use a later TLS version (TLS1.2 and above), use your own domain name and custom SSL certificate. For more information, refer to <u>Using alternate domain names and HTTPS</u> in the *Amazon CloudFront Developer Guide*.

This solution deploys a web client <u>hosted</u> in an Amazon Simple Storage Service (Amazon S3) bucket. To help reduce latency and improve security, this solution includes an Amazon CloudFront distribution with an origin access identity, which is an Amazon CloudFront user that provides public access to the solution's website bucket contents. For more information, refer to <u>Restricting access</u> to an Amazon S3 origin in the *Amazon CloudFront Developer Guide*.

#### Amazon CloudTrail

If your company must comply with SOC (Systems and Organization Controls), PCI DSS (Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard), HIPAA (Healthcare Information Portability and Accountability Act), or any other regulation, it is your responsibility to ensure compliance by activating Amazon CloudTrail for secure logging as required by your organization's security policy.

#### Multi-factor authentication (MFA) in Amazon Cognito user pools

This solution creates only one user in its Amazon Cognito user pool. MFA is not activated by default; however, we recommend using MFA for users in Amazon Cognito for a stronger security posture in production workloads. For more information about setting up MFA in Amazon Cognito, refer to <a href="Adding MFA to a user pool">Adding MFA to a user pool</a> and <a href="Adding advanced security to a user pool">Adding advanced security to a user pool</a> in the Amazon Cognito Developer Guide.

#### AWS Web Application Firewall (WAF) in Amazon API Gateway

We recommend activating AWS WAF for the Amazon API Gateway for this solution when the application is open to public in production environment. For guidance about setting up WAF, refer to <u>Using AWS WAF to protect your APIs</u> in the *Amazon API Gateway Developer Guide*. We also recommend reviewing the <u>AWS Best Practices for DDoS Resiliency</u> whitepaper for information about protecting your AWS applications from Distributed Denial of Service (DDoS) attacks.

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# **Securing log files**

Log files are a potential security vulnerability that should be mitigated as thoroughly as possible. The following are AWS best practices for securing log files:

#### Use CloudTrail to activate logging, auditing, and alerting

CloudTrail must be activated in all AWS accounts for all AWS products. This helps with security auditing in case of a security incident. Development stage accounts must also have CloudTrail activated as development environments are frequently attacked on the assumption that their security controls are weaker than those of production environment.

Refer to the AWS CloudTrail User Guide for instructions on activating it.

Often when a compromise happens, actors try to enumerate permissions on a compromised IAM user or role, which will generate authorization failures. We recommend Monitoring CloudTrail Log Files with Amazon CloudWatch Logs.

If your case requires strong integrity guarantees, consider activating CloudTrail <u>Log File</u> Validation feature.

All AWS accounts must have CloudTrail activated and alerting set up.

- · Verify that CloudTrail is activated in all Regions
- Verify that S3 bucket where CloudTrail logs are stored is locked down
  - Use scoped down <u>bucket policy</u> that gives service operators permissions to read but not write to the bucket (log records must be written only once and stay immutable)
- · Verify that alerts function properly
  - Perform an action that will generate an UnauthorizedOperation or AccessDenied error in CloudTrail logs
  - Confirm that the alert has been invoked and received
- Verify that CloudTrail Log File Integrity is activated
- Verify that at least one trail of CloudTrail in each account captures events from global services, such as IAM and AWS Security Token Service (STS). You can activate global service events logging for a trail from AWS CLI by running the following command:

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update-trail -name <trail\_name> -include-global-service-events

# Secure logging in API Gateway for AWS service APIs

When runtime (execution) logs are activated in an API Gateway endpoint setting, complete request response objects get logged in the CloudWatch logs. Therefore, if there is any sensitive information passed in the API request parameters or returned in the API response data, this information will now appear in the CloudWatch logs. We are running into the risk of exposing customer data or other sensitive information in logs. Logs must not contain sensitive information.

This is equivalent to activating wire logging in a coral service. Setting the dataTraceEnabled flag to True activates runtime logging. If you want to activate runtime logs, consult a security engineer before doing so. Otherwise, access logging must be activated and only non-sensitive parameters must be annotated to be sent as part of the logs. To set up access logs, refer to the AWS CloudFormation User Guide.

If you are using CFN templates to deploy the resources, the **methodSetting** section includes a few flags for configuring the API Gateway endpoints. If dataTraceEnabled flag is set to True, then runtime logging will capture full request response data in the logs. Refer to the <u>AWS</u> CloudFormation User Guide on how to set up access logs and prevent runtime logs.

- Turn off runtime logging in API Gateway.
- Activate access logging in API Gateway.
- If you are using CloudFormation templates to create API Gateway, set the dataTraceEnabled flag to False.
- Inspect your CloudWatch logs for the API Gateway endpoint and verify that full request response objects are not logged.
- Activate info level/access level logs to maintain auditing capability by capturing the required information in the logs.

This solution deploys an Amazon API Gateway REST API and uses the default API endpoint and SSL certificate. The default API endpoint only supports TLSv1. To use a later version of TLS, use your own domain name and custom SSL certificate. For more information, refer to <a href="Choosing a minimum">Choosing a minimum</a> TLS version for a custom domain in API Gateway in the Amazon API Gateway Developer Guide.

# Redact sensitive data from CloudTrail logs

Sensitive data includes PII, passwords, credentials, among others. For more information about what is considered sensitive, refer to your organization's security policy.

Make sure sensitive data fields are redacted in the payload:

- 1. **Customized redaction** This is done through cloning the request/response object and stripping the fields with sensitive information within your code.
- 2. **Automated redaction** CloudTrail automatically redacts the fields with the **sensitive** trait, hence this trait should be used for sensitive parameters.
- 3. **Keyword redaction** An additional useful control is the keyword redaction feature which automatically redacts fields that have specific keywords in their names which could indicate they are sensitive (for example, password). Note that you shouldn't solely depend on this feature, but you must only use it as an additional layer besides the two options mentioned above.

Review the request parameters and the response elements for the events you are logging to CloudTrail with your AppSec security engineer, and make sure all sensitive fields are redacted.

Request parameters and the response elements for the events you are logging to CloudTrail don't contain any sensitive data.

# Log retention

The history of a malicious user's activities might be lost if logs are not retained for a long enough period of time.

Store your security relevant logs in accordance with your organization's security policy. Your log retention period might vary depending on your specific needs. Discuss with AppSec cases where you're considering reducing your log retention to make sure that you will have the data you need to investigate and reconstruct events long after they occur.

AWS Security recommends storing your logs for 10 years unless there is a good reason not to, and you have validated that reason with your organization's security policy.

Store your logs remotely (away from the generator of those logs) in a secure environment. For example, logs can be stored in an S3 bucket and later migrated to Amazon S3 Glacier.

All security relevant logging is kept for ten years unless there is a really good reason not to, and you have validated that reason with your organization's security policy.

#### **AWS CloudFormation parameters**

- AdminEmail Email address of the solution administrator.
- DataBucketName Name of the S3 bucket from which source data will be uploaded.
- **CustomerManagedKey** (Optional) Customer Managed Key to be used for decrypting source data, encrypting ETL results, and encrypting the corresponding datasets in AMC.
- AMC provides the ability to encrypt customer datasets with encryption keys created in AWS
  Key Management Service (KMS). This step is optional. If an encryption key is not provided, AMC
  will perform default encryption on behalf of the customer. The benefit to using a customer
  generated encryption key is the ability to revoke AMC's access to uploaded data at any point. In
  addition, customers can monitor encryption key access via AWS CloudTrail event logs.
- To activate this feature, specify a key in the **CustomerManagedKey** CloudFormation parameter and modify the key's policy to grant usage permissions to the AMC instance. For more information, refer to KMS Encryption Key Usage in the *AMC Data Upload documentation* which can be accessed from the user's AMC instance administration page.

# **Supported AWS Regions**

This solution is currently only supported in the US East (N. Virginia) and Europe (Ireland) Regions.

# Quotas

Service quotas, also referred to as limits, are the maximum number of service resources or operations for your AWS account.

### **Quotas for AWS services in this solution**

Make sure you have sufficient quota for each of the AWS services implemented in this solution. For more information, refer to AWS service quotas.

Use the following links to go to the page for that service. To view the service quotas for all AWS services in the documentation without switching pages, view the information in the <a href="Service">Service</a> endpoints and quotas PDF page.

# **AWS CloudFormation quotas**

Your AWS account has AWS CloudFormation quotas that you should be aware of when <u>launching</u> <u>the stack</u> in this solution. By understanding these quotas, you can avoid limitation errors that would prevent you from deploying this solution successfully. For more information, refer to <u>AWS</u> <u>CloudFormation quotas</u> in the in the *AWS CloudFormation User's Guide*.

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# **Deploy the solution**

This solution uses <u>AWS CloudFormation templates and stacks</u> to automate its deployment. The CloudFormation template specifies the AWS resources included in this solution and their properties. The CloudFormation stack provisions the resources that are described in the template.

# **Prerequisites**

- An active Amazon Marketing Cloud (AMC) instance. If you do not have an active AMC instance, please contact your Amazon Account Team or <amc-support@amazon.com>.
- 2. Keep note of these parameters from the **Instance Info** page that will be used throughout this solution.
  - Connected AWS Account ID
  - API endpoint
  - Data upload AWS account ID
- 3. AWS account with administrator access to create an S3 bucket, IAM roles, and deploy CloudFormation templates. The specific AWS account ID is listed in your AMC on the Instance Info page as Connected AWS Account ID.
- 4. First-party data formatted in CSV or JSON format per the requirements described in the <u>AMC</u> data upload file format requirements section of this guide.

# **Deployment process overview**

Before you launch the solution, review the cost, architecture, security, and other considerations discussed in this guide. Follow the step-by-step instructions in this section to configure and deploy the solution into your account.

Time to deploy: Approximately 10 minutes

Step 1: Set up first-party data S3 bucket

• Create an Amazon S3 bucket

Step 2: Upload your first-party data to S3

Upload your files

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#### Step 3: Launch the stack

• Deploy the CloudFormation template in the AWS account in the same AWS Region associated with your AMC instance

#### Step 4: Access the web interface

Open the URL shown in the UserInterface output of the base stack. You can also get this URL with the following AWS CLI command:

```
aws cloudformation --region $REGION describe-stacks --stack-name $STACK_NAME --query
"Stacks[0].Outputs[?OutputKey=='UserInterface'].OutputValue" --output text
```

Sign in to the web application.

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This solution includes an option to send anonymized operational metrics to AWS. We use this data to better understand how customers use this solution and related services and products. AWS owns the data gathered though this survey. Data collection is subject to the AWS Privacy Policy.

To opt out of this feature, download the template, modify the AWS CloudFormation mapping section, and then use the AWS CloudFormation console to upload your updated template and deploy the solution. For more information, refer to the <u>Anonymized data collection</u> section of this guide.

• Step 5: (optional) Create user accounts

# **AWS CloudFormation template**

You can download the CloudFormation template for this solution before deploying it.

# View template

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marketing-cloud-uploader-from-aws.template - Use this template to launch the solution and

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all associated components. The default configuration deploys the core and supporting services found in the <u>AWS services in this solution</u> section, but you can customize the template to meet your specific needs.

This AWS CloudFormation template deploys Amazon Marketing Cloud Uploader from AWS in the AWS Cloud. You must meet the prerequisites before launching the stack.

# Step 1: Set up first-party data S3 bucket

- 1. Set up an S3 bucket to be designated as a first-party data bucket, as described in the S3 bucket creation section of the *AMC Data Upload Documentation [Beta].pdf* document. You can download this document from the **Documentation** link shown on your AMC instance administration page.
- 2. Save this bucket name for use in <a>Step 3</a>.

# Step 2: Upload your first-party data to S3

Before uploading your data, make sure your dataset complies with the requirements described in the <u>AMC data upload file format requirements</u> section in this guide. You can also refer to this information within the <u>AMC Data Upload Documentation [Beta].pdf</u> document, which can be downloaded from the **Documentation** link shown on your AMC instance administration page.

- 1. Log into the AWS Management Console. Ensure you are in the correct Region (refer to the requirements above).
- 2. Navigate to **S3** and select the bucket you created in <u>Step 1</u>.
- 3. Choose **Upload.**
- 4. Depending on how your files or stored, you can either choose **Add Files** to select files on your local computer, or drag and drop files into the highlighted drag and drop area.
- 5. Once completed, choose **Upload**. Your files have now been uploaded and can be used with the Amazon Marketing Cloud Uploader from AWS web application.

# **Step 3: Launch the stack**

Follow the step-by-step instructions in this section to configure and deploy the solution into your account.

#### Time to deploy: Approximately 10 minutes

1. Sign in to the AWS Management Console and select the button to launch the advertiser-audience-uploads-to-amazon-marketing-cloud.template AWS CloudFormation template.

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- 2. The template launches in the US East (N. Virginia) Region by default. To launch the solution in a different AWS Region, use the Region selector in the console navigation bar.
- 3. On the **Create stack** page, verify that the correct template URL is in the **Amazon S3 URL** text box and choose **Next**.
- 4. On the **Specify stack details** page, assign a name to your solution stack. The stack name length must be 32 characters or less.
- 5. Under **Parameters**, review the parameters for this solution template and modify them as necessary. This solution uses the following default values.

Parameter	Default	Description
AdminEmail	<requires input=""></requires>	Email address for the administrator. This user receives an email with a temporary password to the web application once the AWS CloudFormation template has launched.
CustomerManagedKey	<optional input=""></optional>	ARN of a customer managed KMS encryption key (CMK) to use for encryption and decryption of original data files during the ETL pipeline and query computation in AMC.

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Parameter	Default	Description
DataBucketName	<requires input=""></requires>	Name of the S3 bucket from which source data will be uploaded. Bucket is NOT created by this CloudForm ation.

- 5. Choose Next.
- 6. On the **Configure stack options** page, choose **Next** after reviewing the settings.
- 7. On the **Review** page, review and confirm the settings. Check the box acknowledging that the template will create AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) resources.
- 8. Choose **Create stack** to deploy the stack.

You can view the status of the stack in the AWS CloudFormation console in the **Status** column. You should receive a CREATE\_COMPLETE status in approximately 10 minutes.

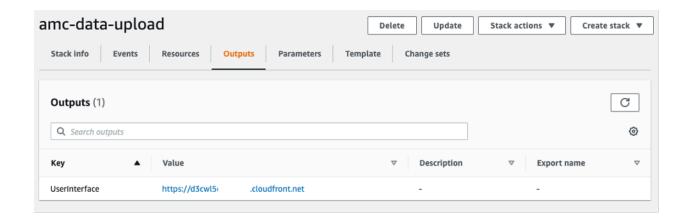
# **Step 4: Access the web interface**

After the CloudFormation stack has been successfully deployed, navigate to the **Outputs** tab to retrieve the URL for the application. The solution sends an email containing information to access the web application, including a temporary password. The email is sent to the address that was specified in the **AdminEmail** parameter. The first time you log in to the application, you will be prompted to change your password.

#### Identify the web interface URL

- 1. Sign in to the AWS CloudFormation console and select the solution's stack.
- 2. On the **Stacks** page, select the stack.
- 3. Choose the Outputs tab.
- 4. Under the **Key** column, locate **UserInterface**, and select the corresponding value.
- 5. Open the web application in a new tab or browser window.
- 6. Sign in with your username (Admin email) and temporary password provided in the invitation email.

7. After signing in, follow the prompts to create a new password.

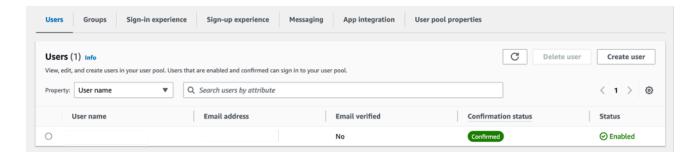


Web interface URL

# Step 5: (optional) Create user accounts

If more than one user needs access to the web application, the solution administrator can create additional users using the following procedure in Amazon Cognito.

- 1. Sign in to the Amazon CloudFormation console.
- 2. Open the AuthStack nested within your base CloudFormation stack.
- 3. Select the **Resources** tab, and select the **UserPool** resource.
- 4. On the **User pools** page, select the user pool.
- 5. On the **Users** tab, select **Create user**.

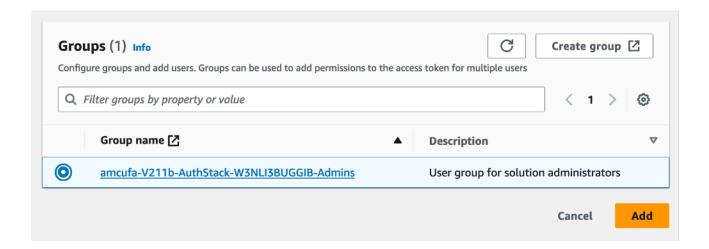


- 6. In the **Create user** form, enter a user name and temporary password (ensure the options to send an invitation to the user and the verifications for phone number and email are not selected).
- 7. Select Create user.

8. On the **User pool** page, select the user you just created.



- 9. On the **User** page, choose **Add user to a group**.
- 10Select the group associated with the **AdminGroup** resource that is shown within the AuthStack nested stack in AWS CloudFormation.



The user can now access the web application, upload media files, and run the analysis workflows.



(optional) We strongly encourage you to set up Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA) for each new user. For details, refer to <u>Adding Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA) to a User Pool</u> in the *Amazon Cognito Developer Guide*.

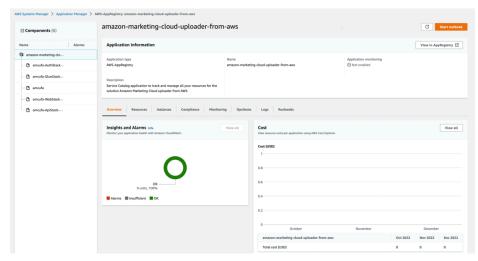
# Monitoring the solution with Service Catalog **AppRegistry**

The solution includes a Service Catalog AppRegistry resource to register the CloudFormation template and underlying resources as an application in both Service Catalog AppRegistry and AWS Systems Manager Application Manager.

AWS Systems Manager Application Manager gives you an application-level view into this solution and its resources so that you can:

- · Monitor its resources, costs for the deployed resources across stacks and AWS accounts, and logs associated with this solution from a central location.
- View operations data for the resources of this solution in the context of an application, such as deployment status, CloudWatch alarms, resource configurations, and operational issues.

The following figure depicts an example of the application view for the Amazon Marketing Cloud Uploader from AWS stack in Application Manager.



#### Amazon Marketing Cloud Uploader from AWS stack in Application Manager



#### Note

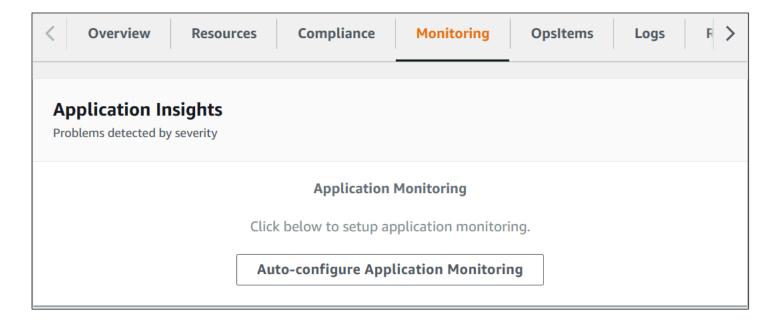
You must activate CloudWatch Application Insights, AWS Cost Explorer, and cost allocation tags associated with this solution. They are not activated by default.

# **Activate CloudWatch Application Insights**

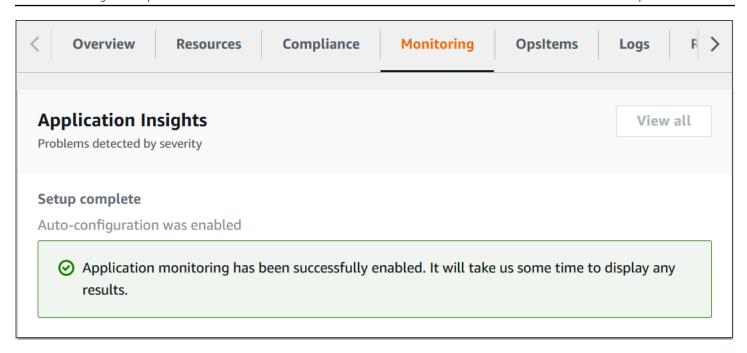
- 1. Open the Systems Manager console.
- 2. In the navigation pane, choose **Application Manager**.
- 3. In Applications, choose AppRegistry applications.
- 4. In AppRegistry applications, search for the application name for this solution and select it.

The next time you open Application Manager, you can find the new application for your solution in the **AppRegistry application** category.

- 5. In the **Components** tree, choose the application stack you want to activate.
- 6. In the Monitoring tab, in Application Insights, select Auto-configure Application Monitoring.



Monitoring for your applications is now activated and the following status box appears:



# **Activate AWS Cost Explorer**

You can see the overview of the costs associated with the application and application components within the Application Manager console through integration with AWS Cost Explorer which must be first activated. Cost Explorer helps you manage costs by providing a view of your AWS resource costs and usage over time. To activate Cost Explorer for the solution:

- 1. Sign in to the AWS Cost Management console.
- 2. In the navigation menu, select **Cost Explorer**.
- 3. On the **Welcome to Cost Explorer** page, choose **Launch Cost Explorer**.

The activation process can take up to 24 hours to complete. Once activated, you can open the Cost Explorer user interface to further analyze cost data for the solution.

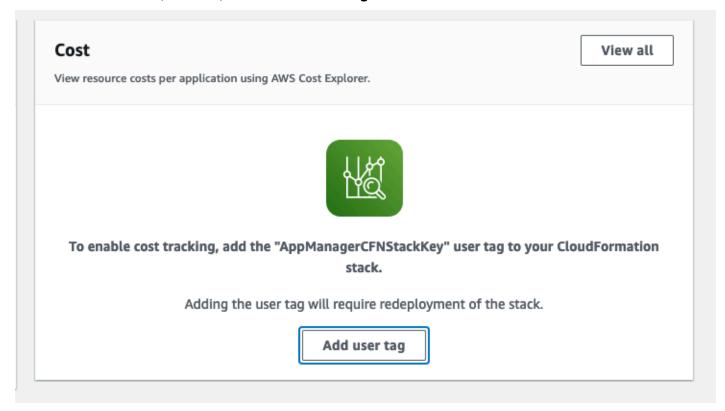
# Confirm cost tags associated with the solution

After you activate cost allocation tags associated with the solution, you must confirm the cost allocation tags to see the costs for this solution. To confirm cost allocation tags:

- 1. Sign in to the Systems Manager console.
- 2. In the navigation pane, choose **Application Manager**.
- 3. In **Applications**, choose the application name for this solution and select it.

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#### 4. In the Overview tab, in Cost, select Add user tag.



5. On the **Add user tag** page, enter confirm, then select **Add user tag**.

The activation process can take up to 24 hours to complete and the tag data to appear.

# Activate cost allocation tags associated with the solution

After you activate Cost Explorer, you must activate a cost allocation tag to see the costs for this solution. The cost allocation tags can only be activated from the management account for the organization. To activate cost allocation tags:

- 1. Sign in to the AWS Billing and Cost Management console.
- 2. In the navigation pane, select Cost Allocation Tags.
- 3. On the **Cost allocation tags** page, filter for the AppManagerCFNStackKey tag, then select the tag from the results shown.
- 4. Choose Activate.

The activation process can take up to 24 hours to complete and the tag data to appear.

# **Update the solution**

If you have previously deployed Amazon Marketing Cloud Uploader from AWS v2.0.0 or later, follow this procedure to update the Amazon Marketing Cloud Uploader from AWS CloudFormation stack to get the latest version of the solution's framework.

#### Note

When you update a stack, the web interface will inherit all of the settings from the previous deployment; however, the CloudFront URL for accessing it will change.

- Sign in to the CloudFormation console, select the base stack of your existing Amazon Marketing Cloud Uploader from AWS deployment, and choose **Update**.
- 2. Select **Replace current template**.
- 3. Under **Specify template**:
  - a. Select Amazon S3 URL.
  - b. Copy the link of the latest template.
  - c. Paste the link in the Amazon S3 URL box.
  - d. Verify that the correct template URL shows in the Amazon S3 URL text box, and choose Next.
- 4. Under **Parameters**, review the parameters for the template and modify them as necessary. For details about the parameters, refer to Step 3: Launch the stack in this guide.
- 5. Choose Next
- 6. On the **Configure stack options** page, choose **Next**.
- 7. On the **Review** page, review and confirm the settings. Select the box acknowledging that the template might create (IAM) resources.
- 8. Choose **Update stack** to deploy the stack.

You can view the status of the stack in the CloudFormation console in the Status column. You should receive a UPDATE\_COMPLETE status in approximately 15 minutes.



#### Note

To access the web interface, select the Outputs tab of the base CloudFormation stack, and use the URL specified for UserInterface.

Amazon Marketing Cloud Uploader from AWS v1.0.0 does not support upgrades to later versions. If you have previously deployed v1.0.0 of the solution, then you will need to remove that stack and deploy Amazon Marketing Cloud Uploader from AWS v2.0.0 to get the latest version of the solution's framework.

### Uninstall the solution

You can uninstall the Amazon Marketing Cloud Insights on AWS solution from the AWS Management Console or by using the AWS Command Line Interface (AWS CLI). You must manually delete the Amazon S3 buckets created by this solution. AWS Solutions implementations do not automatically delete Amazon S3 buckets in case you have stored data to retain.

# **Using the AWS Management Console**

- 1. Sign in to the CloudFormation console.
- 2. On the **Stacks** page, select this solution's installation stack.
- 3. Choose **Delete**.

# **Using AWS Command Line Interface**

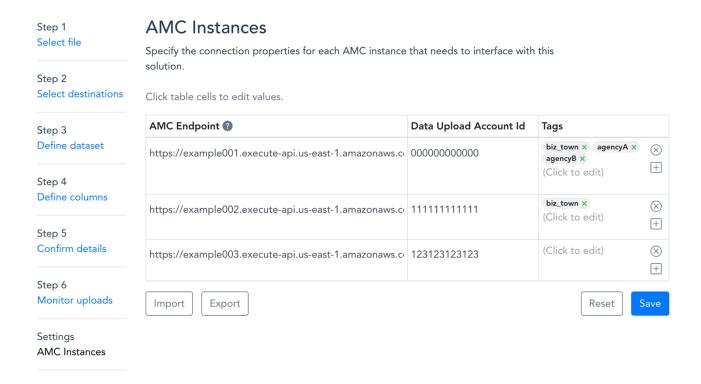
Determine whether the AWS Command Line Interface (AWS CLI) is available in your environment. For installation instructions, refer to <a href="What is the AWS Command Line Interface">What is the AWS CLI User Guide</a>. After confirming that the AWS CLI is available, run the following command.

```
$ aws cloudformation delete-stack --stack-name <installation-stack-name> --
region ><aws-region>
```

### Use the solution

# **Specify AMC instances**

When signing in for the first time, you will be redirected to the **Settings** page to specify the connection attributes for one or more AMC instances.



- **AMC Endpoint** API endpoint of the AMC instance. This is located in the **Instance Info** page in the AMC user interface (UI).
- **Data Upload Account Id** AWS account ID that is connected to the AMC instance.

#### Important

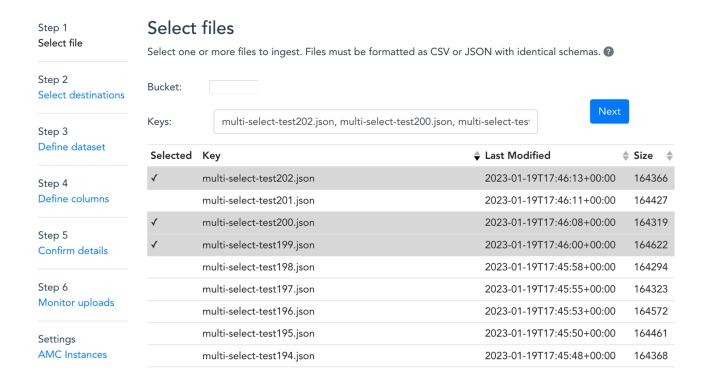
Contact <amc-support@amazon.com> to request assistance obtaining the Data Upload Account identifier.

• **Tags** – Arbitrary strings can be saved as tags to help organize the AMC instance list. Tags can also be used to help find specific AMC instances from the instance selector dialog provided elsewhere in the UI.

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#### **Select files**

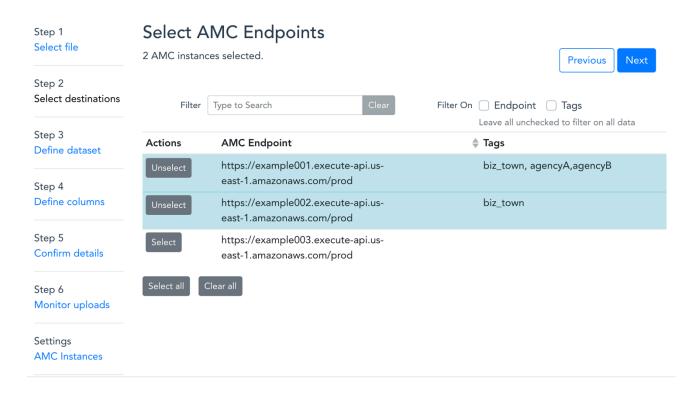
- 1. Select **Step 1 Select file**. This displays all of the files that are available in the Amazon S3 bucket that you created in Step 1.
- 2. Select one or more files you want to use for the dataset.
- 3. Choose Next.



### **Select AMC destinations**

- 1. Select **Step 2 Select destinations**. This displays all of the AMC instances that have been saved under the **Settings** page.
- 2. Select one or more AMC instances to receive this dataset. Use the search field to filter the AMC instance list by endpoints and tags.
- 3. Choose Next.

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#### **Define the dataset**

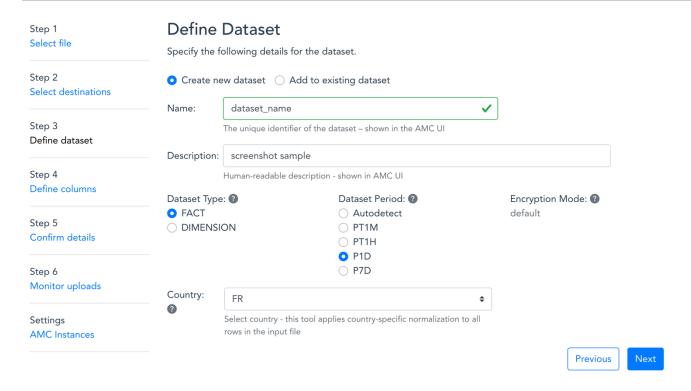
- 1. Select Step 3 Define dataset.
- 2. To create a new dataset, enter a name for the dataset. This will be the table name that you query within AMC. This must be unique to your AMC instance.
  - Alternatively, to update an existing dataset, select **Add to existing dataset** and select the dataset from the provided drop-down menu.
- 3. (Optional) Enter a description. This will be used to detail what this dataset is to others who may not be familiar within the AMC instance.
- 4. Select the dataset type. For details, refer to the AMC FACT vs. Dimension Datasets section in the AMC Data Upload Documentation [Beta].pdf document, which can be downloaded from the Documentation link shown on your AMC instance administration page.

**DIMENSION** - Dimension datasets can be used to upload a static table, or any information which is not time bound. Some examples include CRM audience lists, campaign metadata, mapping tables, and product metadata (such as a table mapping ASINs to external product names, or sensitive cost-of-goods-sold data). When uploading data to a dimension table, each upload is treated as a full replace – AMC queries will also use data from the last file uploaded.

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- **FACT** Fact datasets should be used for time-series data: data where each row has a corresponding date or timestamp associated. When defining a fact dataset, it is mandatory to designate one column as the main event time. Data must be segmented by day and must contain a **Timestamp** column.
- 5. Select the appropriate dataset period. When uploading time-series data, each file must be partitioned according to a specific unit of time. This unit of time is referred to as the dataset period. By default, this tool will automatically use the shortest possible period that is appropriate for your data and partition input files accordingly. However, you can override the auto-detected period by explicitly setting it in the dataset definition. The available periods are:
  - PT1H (hour)
  - P1D (day)
  - P7D (7 days)
- 6. Select the appropriate country code for the data that you're preparing to upload. Identities will be resolved and addresses normalized according to the rules of this country. Be sure that each input file contains data for a single country and that this locale is the same for each file. For example, if you have data with both FR (French) and US (American) records, then these records should be split into different files and uploaded separately because this application will apply the same country-specific normalization rules for each file.
- Choose Next.

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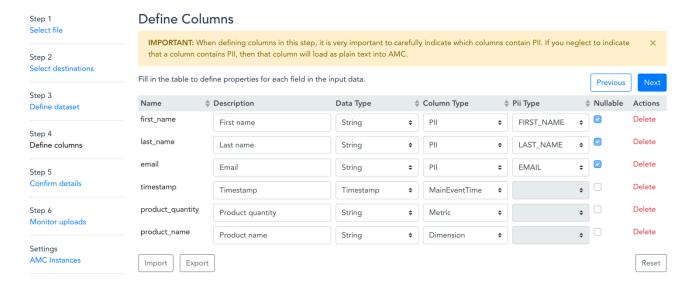
### Define the schema

- 1. Select **Step 4 Define columns**.
- 2. Map the columns in your dataset to align with AMC's schema requirements.
- 3. Choose **Next**.



When defining columns in this step, it is very important to carefully indicate which columns contain PII. If you neglect to indicate that a column contains PII, then that column will not be obfuscated during the PII hashing phase of the AWS Glue job, and will subsequently load as plain text into AMC.

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#### Column definitions:

- Data Type Select the data type that matches your column. This is relevant to the format of the
  data.
  - String UTF-8 encoded character data
  - Decimal Numerical with two floating point level precision
  - Integer (32-bit) 32-bit numerical, no floating points
  - Integer/LONG (64-bit) 64-bit numerical, no floating points
  - TIMESTAMP Format: yyyy-MM-ddThh:mm:ssZ (ISO 8601)
  - DATE Format: yyyy-MM-dd
- Column Type Select the type of the column.
  - **PII** A Personally Identifiable Information (PII) column contains sensitive information.

    Selecting PII requires you to define a PII Type to map the specific column to an identifier within Amazon Ads.
  - **Dimension** These columns represent dimensional data such as Campaign Names, Product Names, Product IDs, etc. These columns must be grouped in AMC's output.
  - Metric These columns represent values such as sales, clicks, etc. They can be aggregated in the output using AMC's supported aggregate functions. DIMENSION columns must be grouped in the output.
  - MainEventTime (Required for FACT Dataset Type) Only a single column may have this Column Type. This column contains the related Timestamp that is used to identify the date range of the dataset.

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- PII Type This selector allows you to select what type of PII data exists within the column. These are DIMENSION values that are always Nullable.
- Nullable If there's a chance that this column may be empty in one of your rows, select the Nullable checkbox.
- Actions If there is a specific column you do not want to send to Amazon Marketing Cloud, delete the column. If there is additional PII in your dataset that is not reflected in the PII Type field, delete it. It is not best practice to share unhashed PII data with Amazon.

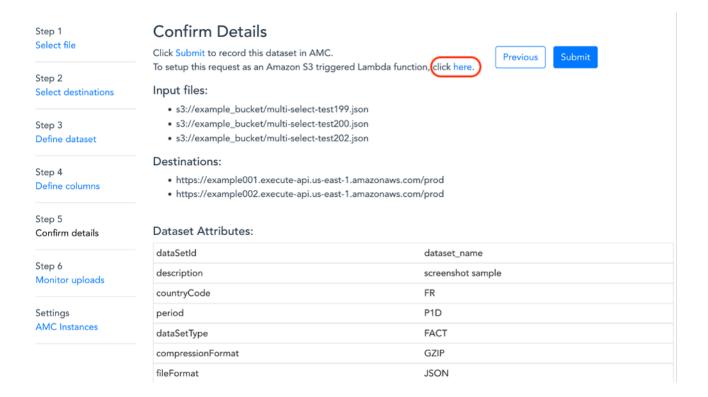
### Confirm details

Verify that the dataset attributes are correct, then choose **Submit**.



#### Note

You can automatically start this ETL process for files copied to a designated Amazon S3 location by using an Amazon S3 initiated Lambda function. For details about how to set this up, select the relevant link on the **Confirm Details** screen.



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# Monitor job and verify dataset successfully uploaded

Your schema will be created within AMC and the AWS Glue job will be submitted to run asynchronously. As soon as the AWS Glue job completes the transformation, the application will notify AMC to upload the data from the ETL artifact Amazon S3 bucket to the AMC instance.

- 1. Select **Step 6 Monitor uploads**.
- 2. Select an AMC instance from the AMC Instance selector.
- 3. From this page you can monitor dataset creation, upload status, and AWS Glue ETL jobs.

**Datasets** – This table shows information about each dataset existing in the selected AMC instance.

**Uploads** – This table shows uploads which have been performed for the selected dataset.

**AWS Glue Jobs** – This table shows information about the AWS Glue ETL jobs which have run in response to upload requests performed by users of this application.

#### Note

AWS Glue ETL results older than three days will be automatically removed from the ETL artifact bucket.

# Developer guide

This section addresses the source code, customization, troubleshooting, AMC instance information, AMC data type, date, and file format requirements for this solution.

#### Source code

Visit our <u>GitHub repository</u> to download the source files for this solution and to share your customizations with others.

# **Customization guide**

If you, as a developer need to implement new data normalizations in the provided AWS Glue job to maximize identity resolution in AMC for your specific datasets, use the source code editor in the AWS Glue console.

# **Troubleshooting**

Problem: I have not received my temporary password to the web UI

#### Resolution

Logins can take up to 15 minutes to arrive. Look for an email from <no-reply@verificationemail.com>.

### Problem: AWS Glue job has status FAILED

#### Resolution

If the AWS Glue job has failed, it might be due to selecting the wrong file format or that your file is not formatted correctly using the formats from the AMC data upload file format requirements.

To troubleshoot the error:

1. Sign in to the Amazon CloudWatch console.

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- 2. Choose **Logs** from the left navigation pane.
- 3. Choose **Log groups**, and select the /aws-glue/jobs/error log group.
- 4. Look for more detailed information about the job failure in the latest log stream.

If you see that the job failed with the error Command failed with exit code 10 and you are trying to process files larger than 1GB, then set worker type under the Job details to G 2X (8vCPU and 32GB RAM) and rerun the job.

### **Problem: CloudFormation stack deployment fails**

#### Resolution

The most common reason why the CloudFormation stack deployment fails is due to incorrect parameters. Ensure the following:

- The AWS account you are deploying this solution into matches the Connected AWS Account in the AMC UI.
- The Region you're using is the same Region that your AMC instance is deployed in.
- The AMC endpoint URL matches exactly what is set in your AMC instance.
- The AMC Data AWS account ID matches exactly what is set in your AMC instance.

### Problem: Why did so few identities resolve for my dataset?

#### Resolution

AMC resolves identities by using the hashed PII fields in uploaded data. Advertisers must normalize those fields prior to hashing in a way that is consistent with how Amazon normalizes PII fields for the hashed identities it supplies to AMC. AMC resolves identities when the hashed PII in advertiser tables matches the hashed PII in Amazon tables.

This solution attempts to normalize advertiser data in a way that is consistent with Amazon Ads, however it is possible for inconsistencies to be present. If you see poor identity resolution results for data that you uploaded using this solution, then use the AMC File Preparation Tool to generate hash files for your data as described in the AMC Data Upload Documentation [Beta].pdf document and upload those files to AMC using this solution. This approach will allow you to perform normalization using logic that more closely follows the normalization used by Amazon

Ads. You can download the AMC Data Upload Documentation [Beta].pdf document from the Documentation link shown on your AMC instance administration page.

# **Locating AMC instance information**

- 1. Sign in to your Amazon Ads account.
- 2. Locate your AMC account by selecting the account list dropdown on the upper right and selecting your AMC account.

From the list of your AMC instances, select the **Instance Info** link for the specific instance you are trying to upload data to.

Your instance information displays below.

# AMC data upload file format requirements

# **CSV** file requirements

CSV files must be UTF-8 encoded and comma delimited. In Microsoft excel, save the file as CSV UTF-8 (comma-delimited) format. When CSV files are uploaded, AMC will automatically convert data to the corresponding column type. For example, if 12423.56 is contained in the CSV file and is mapped to a DECIMAL type column, AMC will coerce the string value contained in the CSV file to the appropriate column type.

### **JSON file requirements**

JSON files must contain one object per row of data. Do not use JSON arrays. Following is an example of the accepted JSON format:

```
{"name": "Product A", "sku": 11352987, "quantity": 2, "pur_time":
    "2021-06-23T19:53:58Z"}
{"name": "Product B", "sku": 18467234, "quantity": 2, "pur_time":
    "2021-06-24T19:53:58Z"}
{"name": "Product C", "sku": 27264393, "quantity": 2, "pur_time":
    "2021-06-25T19:53:58Z"}
{"name": "Product A", "sku": 48572094, "quantity": 2, "pur_time":
    "2021-06-25T19:53:58Z"}
{"name": "Product B", "sku": 18278476, "quantity": 1, "pur_time":
    "2021-06-26T13:33:58Z"}
```

# AMC data types, timestamp, and date formats

Dataset columns can be defined with the following data types. Pay close attention to the accepted formats for **TIMESTAMP** and **DATE** columns. If values in CSV / JSON data do not meet the accepted format, the upload might fail.

Ensure all values in CSV / JSON data confirm the specified data type and format before uploading. Where possible, string values will be coerced to the corresponding numerical type and vice-versa, but no guarantees are made on the casting process.

Data type	Format	Example
STRING	UTF-8 encoded character data	My string data
DECIMAL	Numerical with two floating point level precision	123.45
INTEGER (int 32-bit)	32-bit numerical, no floating points	12345
LONG (int 64-bit)	64-bit numerical, no floating points	1233454565875646
TIMESTAMP	yyyy-MM-ddThh:mm:ssZ	2021-08-02T08:00:00Z
DATE	yyyy-MM-dd	8/2/2021

# **AMC FACT compared with DIMENSION datasets**

Before data can be uploaded, a dataset (table) must be created to store that data. AMC supports two types of tables (also referred to datasets): **FACT** and **DIMENSION**. It is important to understand when to use each, and the associated implications.

Most importantly, **FACT** datasets are used to store time-series data. The data files must be partitioned by a unit of time before uploading to AMC. The partition type (period) is specified on the dataset, and the options are per minute, per hour, per day, and per week. The partition type has an impact on how the data can be queried. For example, per week partitioned data

cannot be queried at the daily level, and per day partitioned data cannot be queried at the hourly level.

Dataset type	Usage	Requires timestamp column	Requires partition scheme (Period)
FACT	Time series data	Yes	Yes
DIMENSION	Static tables	No	No

#### **Fact datasets**

Fact datasets should be used for time-series data – data where each row has a corresponding date or timestamp associated. When defining a **FACT** dataset, you must designate one column as the main event time.

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When uploading data to a **FACT** dataset, each upload is performed according to a specific period of time – this is how AMC determines which data to include when performing queries.

#### **Dimension datasets**

Dimension datasets can be used to upload a static table, or any information which is not time-bound. Some examples include CRM audience lists, campaign metadata, mapping tables, and product metadata (such as a table mapping ASINs to external product names, or sensitive cost-of-goods-sold data). When uploading data to a dimension table, each upload is treated as a full replace – AMC queries will also use data from the last file uploaded.

Dimension datasets **do not** require a main event time column. Dimension datasets do not require uploaded files to be portioned. AMC will always use the most recent file uploaded (full-replace method of updating data).

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### Reference

This section includes information about an optional feature for collecting unique metrics for this solution, pointers to related resources, and a list of builders who contributed to this solution, and the licensing notice.

• The AMC Data Upload Documentation [Beta].pdf document is referenced several times in this guide. You can download the document from the **Documentation** link shown on your AMC instance administration page.

# **Anonymized data collection**

This solution includes an option to send anonymized operational metrics to AWS. We use this data to better understand how customers use this solution and related services and products.

AWS owns the data gathered though this survey. Data collection is subject to the <u>AWS Privacy Notice</u>. To opt out of this feature, complete the following steps before launching the AWS CloudFormation template.

- 1. Download the AWS CloudFormation template to your local hard drive.
- 2. Open the AWS CloudFormation template with a text editor.
- 3. Modify the AWS CloudFormation template mapping section from:

```
AnonymizedData:
SendAnonymizedData:
Data: Yes
```

to:

```
AnonymizedData:
SendAnonymizedData:
Data: No
```

- 4. Sign in to the <u>CloudFormation console</u>.
- 5. Select Create stack.
- 6. On the **Create stack** page, specify template section, select **Upload a template file**.

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- 7. Under **Upload a template file**, choose **Choose file** and select the edited template from your local drive.
- 8. Choose **Next** and follow the steps in <u>Step 3: Launch the stack</u> in the Deploy the solution section of this guide.

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# **Revisions**

Date	Change
January 2023	Initial release
April 2023	Release version 2.0.0: Added support for the eu-west-1 Region. Added the ability to: upload to multiple AMC instances at once, include multiple files in a single upload operation, update existing datasets, select a normalization standard by country code, specify partition size for FACT datasets, ingest data with LiveRamp identifiers, process gzip compressed files, and set Amazon S3 object ownership in order to maintain compatibility with Amazon S3 access logging. For more information, see the <a href="CHANGELOG.md">CHANGELOG.md</a> file in the GitHub repository.
July 2023	Release version 2.1.0: Added support for uppercase characters in CloudFormation stack names. Updated object ownership configura tion on the Amazon S3 buckets. Added minor improvements to the frontend, including alphabetically sorting of country codes under normalization options and updating npm dependencies. Added instructions for automating uploads with an Amazon S3 trigger to the frontend. Added support for mobile ad identifiers. For more information, see the <a href="CHANGELOG.md">CHANGELOG.md</a> file in the GitHub repository.
September 2023	Release version 2.1.1: Resolved a defect in the reporting of anonymized metrics that

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	prevented CloudFormation events from being properly recorded. For more information, see the <a href="CHANGELOG.md">CHANGELOG.md</a> file in the GitHub repository.
November 2023	Release version 2.2.0: Added an option to specify the file format for datasets (either CSV or JSON) in the web user interface and in the API. Updated package versions to resolve security vulnerabilities. For more informati on, see the <a href="CHANGELOG.md">CHANGELOG.md</a> file in the GitHub repository.
November 2023	Documentation update: Added <u>Confirm</u> <u>cost tags associated with the solution</u> to the Monitoring the solution with AWS Service Catalog AppRegistry section.
December 2023	Release version 2.2.1: Updated instructions for obtaining the Data Upload ID and added note that the CloudFront URL will change when updating a CloudFormation stack. For more information, see the <a href="CHANGELOG.md">CHANGELOG.md</a> file in the GitHub repository.
January 2024	Release version 2.2.2: Fixed the upgrade path; resolved defect that causes files required by the Glue ETL to be deleted after stack update. For more information, see the <a href="CHANGELOG">CHANGELOG</a> <a href="mailto:md">.md</a> file in the GitHub repository.
March 2024	Release version 2.3.0: Provide the user-spec ified country code to AMC for locale-specific identity resolution. For more information, see the <a href="CHANGELOG.md">CHANGELOG.md</a> file in the GitHub repository.

Date	Change
March 2024	Release version 2.3.1: Minor package update. For more information, see the <a href="CHANGELOG">CHANGELOG</a> <a href="mailto:md">.md</a> file in the GitHub repository.

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