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Document conventions

Style	Description	Example
	A danger notice indicates a situation that will cause major system changes, faults, physical injuries, and other adverse results.	 Danger: Resetting will result in the loss of user configuration data.
	A warning notice indicates a situation that may cause major system changes, faults, physical injuries, and other adverse results.	 Warning: Restarting will cause business interruption. About 10 minutes are required to restart an instance.
	A caution notice indicates warning information, supplementary instructions, and other content that the user must understand.	 Notice: If the weight is set to 0, the server no longer receives new requests.
	A note indicates supplemental instructions, best practices, tips, and other content.	 Note: You can use Ctrl + A to select all files.
>	Closing angle brackets are used to indicate a multi-level menu cascade.	Click Settings > Network > Set network type.
Bold	Bold formatting is used for buttons, menus, page names, and other UI elements.	Click OK.
Courier font	Courier font is used for commands.	Run the <code>cd /d C:/window</code> command to enter the Windows system folder.
Italic	Italic formatting is used for parameters and variables.	<code>bae log list --instanceid Instance_ID</code>
[] or [a b]	This format is used for an optional value, where only one item can be selected.	<code>ipconfig [-all -t]</code>

Style	Description	Example
{ } or {a b}	This format is used for a required value, where only one item can be selected.	switch {active stand}

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1 Billing methods

This topic provides an overview of the two billing methods supported by ApsaraDB for Cassandra, which are pay-as-you-go billing and subscription billing. Subscription billing is more cost-effective than pay-as-you-go billing. We recommend that you choose subscription billing for long-term use.

Pay-as-you-go billing is suitable for testing. After you determine the configuration required for your business, you can change the billing method from pay-as-you-go to subscription in the ApsaraDB for Cassandra console.

Billing method	Description	Remarks
Subscription	<ul style="list-style-type: none">You must pay the subscription fee when you create an instance.A one-year subscription period gives a 15% discount. You receive large discounts for longer subscription periods.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">You can upgrade or downgrade the configuration of a subscription instance within its subscription period, but cannot release the instance.Subscription billing cannot be converted to pay-as-you-go billing.

Billing method	Description	Remarks
Pay-as-you-go	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The billing cycle is one hour. The usage of your subscription instance is billed in increments of one hour, with a minimum of one hour. If you change the storage capacity of your subscription instance within a billing cycle, you are billed based on the largest storage capacity used during that billing cycle. For example, if the storage capacity of your subscription instance is 1 GB at 01:10 and you change it to 8 GB at 01:20 and then to 2 GB at 01:50 within the billing cycle of 01:00 to 02:00, you are billed based on the storage capacity of 8 GB for that billing cycle. In most cases, the system generates a bill within one to three hours after a billing cycle ends. For example, the system generates a bill before 11:00 for the billing cycle of 09:00 to 10:00. The actual time your bill is generated may vary. After the system generates a bill, it automatically deducts the amount from your account balance. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> You can release your pay-as-you-go instance at any time. After you release your pay-as-you-go instance, you are no longer billed for it. Pay-as-you-go billing can be converted to subscription billing. You are billed based on subscription billing immediately after the conversion is complete. For more information, see the description about subscription billing. You can create up to 10 pay-as-you-go ApsaraDB for Cassandra instances by using your Alibaba Cloud account. If you want to create more than 10 instances or create instances with a larger storage capacity or higher specifications than the default values, submit a ticket.

Take note of the following:

- Your ApsaraDB for Cassandra instance is charged based on the storage capacity you choose when you create the instance. For example, if you create an instance with a storage capacity of 2 GB, you must pay for 2 GB of storage even if you only store 256 MB of data.
- The internal traffic you consume is free of charge. Therefore, you are not charged for the data transmission between an ECS instance and an ApsaraDB for Cassandra instance.
- If you want to store a large volume of data, contact us to receive discounts.