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Style	Description	Example
<u> Danger</u>	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.
<u> </u>	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.
Notice	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.
? Note	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 cd /d C:/window command to enter the Windows system folder.
Italic	Italic formatting is used for parameters and variables.	bae log listinstanceid  Instance_ID
[] or [a b]	This format is used for an optional value, where only one item can be selected.	ipconfig [-all -t]
{} 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.Release notes

This topic describes the release notes of Elastic Compute Service (ECS) features.

- For the release notes of images, see Release notes of public images and Release notes of Alibaba Cloud Linux 2.
- For the release notes of Server Migration Center (SMC), see Release notes of SMC.

#### April 2021

Feature	Description	Release date	Region	References
Instance family	The g7 general purpose instance family, c7 compute optimized instance family, and r7 memory optimized instance family are released.	2021-04-19	Some	Instance families
lmage	Alibaba Cloud Linux 3 public images are released.	2021-04-16	All	Overview
Reserved instance	Reserved instances can be applied to instances of more instance families.	2021-04-15	All	Overview
Snapshot	The instance snapshot feature is released. You can simultaneously create snapshots for multiple disks on an instance by creating a snapshot for the instance. This ensures a consistent write order of data.	2021-04-06	Some	Create snapshots for multiple disks together by creating an instance snapshot
Snapshot	The application-consistent snapshot feature is released. You can use application-consistent snapshots for rollback operations to ensure that applications start in a consistent state.	2021-04-06	Some	Enable the application-consistent snapshot feature

#### March 2021

Feature	Description	Release date	Region	References
Instance family	The g7t security-enhanced general purpose instance family, c7t security-enhanced compute optimized instance family, and r7t security-enhanced memory optimized instance family are released.	2021-03-31	Some	<ul><li>Instance families</li><li>Security-enhanced instance families</li></ul>

Feature	Description	Release date	Region	References
Instance family	The ebmhfg7 general purpose ECS Bare Metal Instance family with high clock speeds, ebmhfc7 compute optimized ECS Bare Metal Instance family with high clock speeds, and ebmhfr7 memory optimized ECS Bare Metal Instance family with high clock speeds are released.	2021-03-03	Some	Instance families

# February 2021

Feature	Description	Release date	Region	References
Instance family	The i3g instance family with local SSDs is released.	2021-02-26	All	Instance families
Instance family	The g7ne general purpose instance family with enhanced network performance is released.	2021-02-09	Some	Instance families

# January 2021

Feature	Description	Release date	Region	References
Network	The maximum transmission unit (MTU) values of network interface controllers (NICs) can be specified and the Jumbo Frame feature can be enabled for instances of some instance types.	2021-01-29	Some	Set the MTU size of an NIC
Instance family	The gn7 GPU-accelerated compute optimized instance family is released.	2021-01-12	Some	Instance families

#### December 2020

Feature	Description	Release date	Region	References
faasutil	faasutil is a next-generation command line tool provided by Alibaba Cloud FPGA as a Service (FaaS). This tool can make FPGA-accelerated instances easier to use, and more stable, secure, and scalable.	2020-12-08	Some	<ul><li>Obtain faasutil</li><li>Use faasutil</li></ul>

Feature Description	Release date	Region	References
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Snapshot	The instant access feature is available for public preview in the China (Hohhot) region. The number of supported regions is increasing.	2020-12-03	Some	Enable or disable the instant access feature
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#### November 2020

Feature	Description	Release date	Region	References
Instance family	The re6p persistent memory optimized instance family is released.	2020-11-04	Some	Instance families
Instance family	The i3 instance family with local SSDs is released.	2020-11-03	Some	Instance families

#### October 2020

Feature	Description	Release date	Region	References
Instance family	The g6se storage enhanced instance family is released.	2020-10-23	Some	Instance families

# September 2020

Feature	Description	Release date	Region	References
Preemptible instance	When you create a preemptible instance by calling an API operation, you can configure the preemptible instance to have no protection period.	2020-09-25	All	<ul><li>Overview</li><li>RunInstances</li></ul>
Savings plan	Savings plans are provided as discount plans that can be applied to offset the bills of pay-as-you-go instances, excluding preemptible instances.	2020-09-18	All	<ul><li>Overview</li><li>Savings plans</li><li>Purchase and apply savings plans</li></ul>

Feature	Description	Release date	Region	References
Instance family	The g6t security-enhanced general purpose instance family and c6t security-enhanced compute optimized instance family are released.	2020-09-08	Some	<ul><li>Instance families</li><li>Security-enhanced instance families</li></ul>
Instance family	The g6a general purpose instance family, c6a compute optimized instance family, and r6a memory optimized instance family are released.	2020-09-07	Some	Instance families
Instance family	The ebmg6a general purpose ECS Bare Metal Instance family, ebmc6a compute optimized ECS Bare Metal Instance family, and ebmr6a memory optimized ECS Bare Metal Instance family are released.	2020-09-07	Some	Instance families

# August 2020

Feature	Description	Release date	Region	References
Tag	Tags can be bound to more resources, including reserved instances.	2020-08-18	All	Overview
Snapshot	Snapshots can be replicated across regions to improve service reliability and availability.	2020-08-14	Some	Copy a snapshot

# June 2020

Feature	Description	Release date	Region	References
Inst ance f amily	The d2c compute intensive big data instance family is released.	2020-06-23	Some	Instance families
Instance family	The scchfc6 compute optimized Super Computing Cluster (SCC) instance family with high clock speeds, scchfg6 general purpose SCC instance family with high clock speeds, and scchfr6 memory optimized SCC instance family with high clock speeds are released.	2020-06-23	All	Instance families

Feature	Description	Release date	Region	References
Instance family	The ebmc6e compute optimized ECS Bare Metal Instance family with enhanced performance, ebmg6e general purpose ECS Bare Metal Instance family with enhanced performance, and ebmr6e memory optimized ECS Bare Metal Instance family with enhanced performance are released.	2020-06-23	All	Instance families
Storage capacity unit (SCU)	SCUs can be used to offset the pay-as-you-go bills of different storage resources, such as disks, Object Storage Service (OSS) buckets, Apsara File Storage NAS file systems, and snapshots.	2020-06-23	All	<ul><li>Overview</li><li>Storage capacity units</li><li>Usage rules</li></ul>
Elastic Block Storage (EBS)	Sequence numbers of disks in ECS instances can be queried.	2020-06-16	All	Query the serial number of a disk
Network	Virtual private clouds (VPCs) of ECS instances can be changed in the ECS console. This feature is in invitational preview.	2020-06-10	Some	Change the VPC of an ECS instance
Enhanced SSD (ESSD)	ESSDs of the PLO performance level are in public preview in the China (Hangzhou) and China (Beijing) regions. The number of supported regions is increasing.	2020-06-10	Some	<ul><li>ESSDs</li><li>EBS performance</li></ul>
Local disk- related system event	Events about local disk damages can be queried, and damaged local disks can be isolated in the ECS console.	2020-06-09	All	Isolate damaged local disks in the ECS console
Instance family	The hfg7 general purpose instance family with high clock speeds, hfc7 compute optimized instance family with high clock speeds, and hfr7 memory optimized instance family with high clock speeds are released.	2020-06-09	Some	Instance families

Feature	Description	Release date	Region	References
Instance family	The g6e general purpose instance family with enhanced performance, c6e compute optimized instance family with enhanced performance, and r6e memory optimized instance family with enhanced performance are released.	2020-06-09	All	Instance families
Instance family	The ebmre6p non-volatile memory optimized ECS Bare Metal Instance family with enhanced performance is released.	2020-06-09	Some	Instance families

# May 2020

Feature	Description	Release date	Region	References
lmage	Technical support for the CoreOS Container Linux public images is discontinued. CoreOS Container Linux has reached its end of life, and no more security patches are provided. For security concerns, we recommend that you no longer use CoreOS Container Linux images. Alibaba Cloud will soon release Fedora CoreOS public images as a replacement.	2020-05-26	All	Release notes
Reserved instance	The normalization factor of instance types can be queried to help understand the computing power requirements in the splitting and merging of reserved instances and the size flexibility of regional reserved instances.	2020-05-14	All	<ul><li>Overview</li><li>View normalization factors</li></ul>

# April 2020

Feature	Description	Release date	Region	References
Instance family	The ebmre6-6t memory optimized ECS Bare Metal Instance family with enhanced performance is released.	2020-04-28	All	Instance families

Feature	Description	Release date	Region	References
Inst ance f amily	The re6 memory optimized instance family with enhanced performance is released.	2020-04-20	Some	Instance families

#### March 2020

Feature	Description	Release date	Region	References
Instance family	The i2ne and i2gne instance families with local SSDs are released.	2020-03-11	All	Instance families

# January 2020

Feature	Description	Release date	Region	References
Tag	A wide range of tag features are provided. You can use tags to control permissions of RAM users. You can also bind and modify tags by using Operation Orchestration Service (OOS).	2020-01-03	All	<ul> <li>Control access to resources by using tags</li> <li>Create a resource with a specific tag</li> <li>Use OOS to bind tags to multiple ECS resources at a time</li> <li>Use OOS to modify a tag value of multiple resources</li> </ul>
Instance family	The d2s storage intensive big data instance family is released.	2020-01-17	Some	Instance families
Instance family	The vgn6i lightweight GPU- accelerated compute optimized instance family is released.	2020-01-16	Some	Instance families
Instance family	The s6 shared standard instance family is released.	2020-01-16	Some	Instance families
lmage	Technical support for the Windows Server 2008 and Windows Server 2008 R2 public images is discontinued. We recommend that you upgrade to Windows Server 2012 or later at your earliest convenience.	2020-01-14	All	Overview

#### December 2019

Feature	Description	Release date	Region	References
Storage capacity unit (SCU)	40 GiB, 100 GiB, and 500 GiB are added as capacity options for SCUs.	2019-12-05	Some	Overview

# November 2019

Feature	Description	Release date	Region	References
Tag	The tag editor feature is released. You can use this feature to query up to 5,000 resource data entries across services and regions. You can also edit the tags of resources and export resource information.	2019-11-28	All	Use the tag editor to manage resource tags
Snapshot	The quota for automatic snapshots is increased to 1,000.	2019-11-15	All	Snapshot overview
Instance family	The gn6e GPU-accelerated compute optimized instance family is released.	2019-11-14	Some	Instance families
Instance family	The ebmgn6e GPU-accelerated compute optimized ECS Bare Metal Instance family is released.	2019-11-14	Some	Instance families

#### October 2019

Feature	Description	Release date	Region	References
Instance family	The hfc6, hfg6, and hfr6 instance families with high clock speeds are released.	2019-10-15	Some	Instance families
Instance family	The ebmhfc6, ebmhfg6, and ebmhfr6 ECS Bare Metal Instance families are released.	2019-10-10	All	Instance families

# September 2019

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Feature	Description	Release date	Region	References
Disk resizing	<ul> <li>Standard SSDs and ultra disks can be resized to up to 32 TiB.</li> <li>ESSDs can be resized online.</li> </ul>	2019-09-26	All	<ul><li>Overview</li><li>Resize disks online for Linux instances</li></ul>
Instance family	The ebmc6, ebmg6, and ebmr6 ECS Bare Metal Instance families are released.	2019-09-24	All	Instance families
Instance family	The t6 burstable instance family is released.	2019-09-12	Some	Instance families
Security group	The maximum number of security group rules that a security group can contain is increased to 200.	2019-09-03	All	Limits
Snapshot	The individual quotas for manual snapshots and automatic snapshots are increased to 256.	2019-09-02	All	Snapshot overview

# August 2019

Feature	Description	Release date	Region	References
Instance family	The ebmgn6v GPU-accelerated compute optimized ECS Bare Metal Instance family is released.	2019-08-26	Some	Instance families
Instance family	The ebmgn6i GPU-accelerated compute optimized ECS Bare Metal Instance family is released.	2019-08-26	Some	Instance families
lmage	The image export feature is available in all Alibaba Cloud regions.	2019-08-21	All	Export a custom image
Snapshot	The snapshot service is available for commercial use. All existing and new snapshots are billed on a pay-as-you-go basis.	2019-08-21	All	Snapshots

# July 2019

Feature	Description	Release date	Region	References
Instance family	The g6 general purpose instance family is released.	2019-07-30	Some	Instance families
Instance family	The c6 compute optimized instance family is released.	2019-07-30	Some	Instance families
Instance family	The r6 memory optimized instance family is released.	2019-07-30	Some	Instance families
Instance family	The ebmc5s compute optimized ECS Bare Metal Instance family with enhanced network performance is released.	2019-07-30	Some	Instance families
Instance family	The ebmg5s general purpose ECS Bare Metal Instance family with enhanced network performance is released.	2019-07-30	Some	Instance families
Instance family	The ebmr5s memory optimized ECS Bare Metal Instance family with enhanced network performance is released.	2019-07-30	Some	Instance families

# June 2019

Feature	Description	Release date	Region	References
Auto Provisioning	Auto Provisioning uses auto provisioning groups to schedule and maintain compute resources. This makes it easy to deploy clusters of instances across different billing methods, instance types, and zones.	2019-06-28	All	Auto Provisioning overview
ESSD	The ESSD service is available for commercial use after the public preview is complete. Three performance levels of ESSDs are released.	2019-06-28	Some. For more information about the supported regions, see Elastic Block Storage FAQ.	ESSDs

Feature	Description	Release date	Region	References
vgn5i, lightweight GPU- accelerated compute optimized instance family	GRID drivers are provided for vgn5i instances.	2019-06-19	All	<ul> <li>Create an NVIDIA GPU-accelerated instance</li> <li>Install NVIDIA GRID drivers on vgn6i or vgn5i Linux instances</li> </ul>

# May 2019

Feature	Description	Release date	Region	References
EBS	Subscription disks can be created by calling API operations.	2019-05-15	All	CreateDisk

# April 2019

Feature	Description	Release date	Region	References
Elastic network interface (ENI)	A single ENI can be assigned multiple private IP addresses.	2019-04-28	All	Assign secondary private IP addresses
EBS	You can resize data disks of an ECS instance by extending their capacities online to meet your storage requirements without restarting the instance.	2019-04-24	All	Resize disks online for Linux instances
EBS	System disks can be resized.	2019-04-24	All	Resize disks offline for Linux instances
Snapshot	Snapshots can be created for expired disks.	2019-04-20	All	<ul><li>Create a normal snapshot</li><li>CreateSnapshot</li></ul>

#### March 2019

Feature	Description	Release date	Region	References
Public image	Aliyun Linux 2 public images are released.	2019-03-27	All	Overview

Feature	Description	Release date	Region	References
Instance family	The gn6i GPU-accelerated compute optimized instance family is released.	2019-03-21	All	Instance families
Instance family	The sccgn6 GPU-accelerated compute optimized SCC instance family is released.	2019-03-20	All	Instance families
Instance family	The vgn5i lightweight GPU- accelerated compute optimized instance family is released.	2019-03-19	All	Instance families
Reserved instance	The reserved instance feature is in invitational preview.	2019-03-18	All	Reserved instance overview
Cloud Assistant	Cloud Assistant is available for ECS instances in the classic network.	2019-03-01	All	Install the Cloud Assistant client

# January 2019

Feature	Description	Release date	Region	References
Event notification	Status change events and alert events for recycling of preemptible instances are supported.	2019-01-29	All	System events

#### December 2018

Feature	Description	Release date	Region	References
Cloud Assistant	Cloud Assistant is available in the UK (London) region.	2018-12-31	All	Overview
Preemptible instance	Preemptible instances are billed by second.	2018-12-17	All	Preemptible instances
Instance	The release protection feature is supported.	2018-12-14	All	Enable or disable release protection for ECS instances
ENI	The DescribeNetworkInterfaces operation can be called to query the public IP address associated with an ENI.	2018-12-04	All	DescribeNetworkInter faces

#### November 2018

Feature	Description	Release date	Region	References
Custom image	Packer can be used to create custom images.	2018-11-30	All	Create a custom image by using Packer
Inst ance f amily	The re4e memory optimized instance family with enhanced performance is released.	2018-11-30	All	Instance families
EBS	Subscription disks can be separately created and attached to subscription instances.	2018-11-29	All	Create a subscription disk
Deployment set	The deployment set feature is released.	2018-11-16	All	Overview

#### October 2018

Feature	Description	Release date	Region	References
Instance family	The f3 FPGA-accelerated compute optimized instance family is released.	2018-10-31	All	Instance families
API best practices	API best practices are released in the ECS console.	2018-10-19	All	Create an instance by using the wizard

# September 2018

Feature	Description	Release date	Region	References
t5, burstable instance family	The unlimited mode is available for the t5 burstable instance family.	2018-09-30	All	Unlimited mode
Instance metadata	Information of O&M system events is included in instance metadata.	2018-09-14	All	Instance metadata
Instance health status	The health status of each ECS instance is displayed on the instance details page.	2018-09-14	All	View the health status of an instance
Instance family	The gn6v new generation GPU-accelerated instance family (V100 model) is released.	2018-09-12	All	Instance families
Instance purchase	Multiple instances can be renewed at a time and historical instances can be purchased.	2018-09-07	All	Manually renew an instance

Feature	Description	Release date	Region	References
System event	API operations used to create or cancel simulated events are released.	2018-09-03	All	<ul><li>CreateSimulatedSy stemEvents</li><li>CancelSimulatedSy stemEvents</li></ul>
Billing method	Subscription instance can be changed into pay-as-you-go instances.	2018-09-01	All	Change the billing method of an instance from subscription to pay- as-you-go

# August 2018

Feature	Description	Release date	Region	References
Local disk	The O&M of instances to which local disks are attached is optimized.	2018-08-31	All	Local disks
Cloud Assistant	Cloud Assistant is supported in the ECS console.	2018-08-17	All	Overview
Instance family	SCC instance families are released.	2018-08-16	All	Instance families

# July 2018

Feature	Description	Release date	Region	References
Custom image	Images in the qcow2 format can be imported.	2018-07-30	All	<ul><li>Import custom images</li><li>ImportImage</li></ul>
Security group	Security group rules can be modified.	2018-07-25	All	Modify security group rules
Tag	Tags can be bound to resources when you create the resources.	2018-07-20	All	Bind a tag
Instance family	The ebmc4 compute optimized ECS Bare Metal Instance family is released.	2018-07-18	All	Instance families
Snapshot	The estimated remaining time required to create snapshots is displayed.	2018-07-17	All	Create a normal snapshot

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Feature	Description	Release date	Region	References
Account and user privileges	Quota management is supported.	2018-07-15	All	View quotas (old version)
ESSD	The ESSD service is in public preview in Beijing Zone G.	2018-07-14	Beijing Zone G	Cloud disks
Instance troubleshoot ing	System logs and screenshots can be viewed.	2018-07-13	All	System logs and screenshots
Security group	A ticket can be submitted to modify the maximum numbers of instances and security group rules that can be added to a security group.	2018-07-10	All	Limits
Instance family	The ic5 compute intensive instance family is released.	2018-07-09	All	Instance families

# June 2018

Feature	Description	Release date	Region	References
Public image	Operating systems including Red Hat can be selected from public images to create ECS instances.	2018-06-29	All	Create an instance by using the wizard
Instance configuration upgrade	The configurations of pay-as- you-go instances can be upgraded or downgraded across instance families.	2018-06-15	All	Instance type changes
Billing method	Subscription instances can be renewed on a weekly basis.	2018-06-12	All	Manually renew an instance
Security group	Security groups in the classic network can be cloned to a VPC.	2018-06-06	All	Clone a security group
Active O&M	Phase 2 of active O&M is brought online.	2018-06-01	All	Overview

# May 2018

Feature	Description	Release date	Region	References
Custom image	The image compliance tool is released.	2018-05-28	All	Use the image compliance tool

Feature	Description	Release date	Region	References
System event	ECS system events are migrated to CloudMonitor and can be queried.	2018-05-25	All	Overview
Launch template	The launch template feature is released.	2018-05-11	All	Create a launch template

# April 2018

Feature	Description	Release date	Region	References
Billing method	Pay-as-you-go instances can be changed into subscription instances.	2018-04-23	All	Change the billing method of an instance from pay-as- you-go to subscription
Instance configuration downgrade	Configurations of expired subscription instances can be downgraded when the instances are being renewed.	2018-04-13	All	Downgrade the configurations of an instance during renewal

#### March 2018

Feature	Description	Release date	Region	References
GPU- accelerated instance	NVIDIA GPU Cloud (NGC) GPU- accelerated containers are supported.	2018-03-28	All	Deploy an NGC environment on gn5 instances
System event	The system event feature is released.	2018-03-26	All	Overview
ECS Bare Metal Instance	ECS Bare Metal Instance is released.	2018-03-14	All	Overview
Instance identifier	The ECS instance identifier feature is released.	2018-03-01	All	Instance identity

# February 2018

Feature	Description	Release date	Region	References
ECS API	The API operation used to check whether the configurations of ECS instances can be upgraded or downgraded is supported.	2018-02-10	All	DescribeResourcesMo dification

Feature	Description	Release date	Region	References
Subscription instance	The number of days during which an instance stays expired before it is released is extended from 7 to 15.	2018-02-07	All	Subscription
ECS API	API operations used to create and query resources are released.	2018-02-02	All	DescribeAvailableRes ource

#### December 2017

Feature	Description	Release date	Region	References
No Fees for Stopped Instances (VPC- Connected)	The No Fees for Stopped Instances (VPC-Connected) feature is available for pay-asyou-go instances.	2017-12-14	All	No Fees for Stopped Instances (VPC- Connected)
ENI	The ENI feature is released.	2017-12-08	All	ENI overview
FPGA- accelerated instance family	The f1 FPGA-accelerated compute optimized instance family is released.	2017-12-02	All	Instance families
ECS API	The API operation used to create multiple instances at a time is released.	2017-12-01	All	RunInstances
Instance troubleshoot ing	The real-time diagnostics feature is supported in the ECS console.	2017-12-01	All	Automatic diagnosis system

# November 2017

Feature	Description	Release date	Region	References
Cloud Migration tool	The Cloud Migration tool is released.	2017-11-27	All	What is SMC?
Security group rule	Security group rules can be imported and exported.	2017-11-23	All	Manage security group rules
Subscription instance	The auto-renewal feature can be disabled for subscription instances.	2017-11-23	All	ModifyInstanceAutoR enewAttribute

Feature	Description	Release date	Region	References
Billing method	API operations used to create and renew weekly subscription instances are released.	2017-11-03	All	CreateInstance
Instance RAM role	RAM roles can be assigned to ECS instances.	2017-11-01	All	Overview

#### October 2017

Feature	Description	Release date	Region	References
Elastic IP Address (EIP)	The public IP addresses of instances in VPCs can be converted into EIPs.	2017-10-31	All	Convert an ECS public IP address to an EIP
Preemptible instance	Preemptible Instance is released.	2017-10-18	All	Overview
t5, burstable instance family	The t5 burstable instance family is released.	2017-10-09	All	Overview

# September 2017

Feature	Description	Release date	Region	References
Billing method	Bills of pay-as-you-go instances and disks are accurate to the second and generated by hour.	2017-09-29	All	Pay-as-you-go
gn5i instance family	The gn5i GPU-accelerated compute optimized instance family is released. It is applicable to deep learning and online inference scenarios.	2017-09-23	All	Instance families
Cloud disk encryption	Cloud disks can be encrypted.	2017-09-05	All	Encryption overview

# August 2017

Feature	Description	Release date	Region	References
Security group rule	Security group rules can be configured based on 5-tuples.	2017-08-31	All	Security group quintuple rules

Feature	Description	Release date	Region	References
ClassicLink	ClassicLink allows instances in the classic network to be connected to instances in VPCs.	2017-08-25	All	Network types
Instance family	The new-generation instances with high clock speeds and local SSD-based instances that are powered by Skylake processors and support 25 GE networks are released.	2017-08-22	All	Instance families
ECS API	The API operation used to change the bandwidth configurations of instances is released.	2017-08-17	All	ModifyInstanceNetwo rkSpec
Custom image	Custom images can be imported.	2017-08-10	All	Import custom images

# July 2017

Feature	Description	Release date	Region	References
lmage	Technical support for the Windows Server 2003 public images is discontinued. We recommend that you upgrade to Windows Server 2012 or later at your earliest convenience.	2017-07-20	All	Overview
Security group	Instances in a security group can be isolated from each other based on a security group rule.	2017-07-07	All	Network isolation within a basic security group

# June 2017

Feature	Description	Release date	Region	References
Classic network	If you create ECS instances for the first time at or after 12:00 on June 16, 2017 (UTC+8), you cannot select the classic network as the network for the instances. We recommend that you use VPC.	2017-06-16	All	What is a VPC?

# May 2017

Feature	Description	Release date	Region	References
Instance RAM role	The API operation used to manage instance RAM roles is released.	2017-05-26	All	Use an instance RAM role by calling API operations
Instance family	The network optimized instance family is released.	2017-05-23	All	Instance families
Instance family	The d1 storage intensive instance family is released.	2017-05-12	All	Instance families
Security group	The default security group rule is modified to expose only Internet Control Message Protocol (ICMP) ports, Transmission Control Protocol (TCP) port 22, and TCP port 3389.	2017-05-11	All	Overview
Security group	Security groups can be backed up, overwritten, and restored.	2017-05-10	All	Restore security group rules

# April 2017

Feature	Description	Release date	Region	References
Secure Shell (SSH) key pair	The SSH key pair feature is released.	2017-04-25	All	Overview

# February 2017

Feature	Description	Release date	Region	References
Custom image	cloud-init is available for some custom images.	2017-02-24	All	Install cloud-init
Instance family	The i1 I/O optimized instance family with local SSDs is released.	2017-02-17	All	Instance families
Snapshot	System disk snapshots can be used to create data disks.	2017-02-15	All	Create a disk from a snapshot
Instance family	The gn4 GPU-accelerated compute optimized instance family is released.	2017-02-14	All	Instance families

# January 2017

Feature	Description	Release date	Region	References
Instance family	The ga1 visualization and compute optimized GPU-accelerated instance family is released.	2017-01-24	All	Instance families
Instance family	The se1 dedicated instance family is released.	2017-01-21	All	Instance families

#### 2016

Feature	Description	Release date	Region	References
Snapshot	Snapshot 2.0 is released.	2016-03-15	All	Snapshot overview
Disk resizing	The feature of resizing system disks is released.	2016-01-15	All	Resize disks offline for Linux instances

#### 2015

Feature	Description	Release date	Region	References
Custom image	The feature of importing custom images is released.	2015-12-15	All	Instructions for importing images
Security group	Security groups are supported in the ECS console.	2015-11-02	All	Create a security group
Alibaba Cloud Market place image	Alibaba Cloud Marketplace images are available for commercial use.	2015-09-02	All	Alibaba Cloud Marketplace images
Tag	The tag feature is released.	2015-08-20	All	Overview
System disk	The operating systems of payas-you-go instances can be replaced.	2015-08-13	All	Replace the system disk (public images)
Custom image	Custom images can be shared.	2015-05-15	All	Shared images
Disk resizing	Disks can be resized offline.	2015-04-20	All	Overview
Custom image	The image replication feature is released.	2015-01-26	All	Copy custom images

#### 2014

Feature	Description	Release date	Region	References
EBS	The independent disk feature is released.	2014-08-22	All	Block Storage overview