

StreamLive Purchase Guide Product Documentation





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Overview

The billable items for StreamLive mainly include three parts: live transcoding fees, relaying fees and frame capturing fees. In addition, for StreamLive features that rely on the capabilities of other Tencent Cloud products, fees for the corresponding product will be incurred as well.

Billable Item		Description	Billing Mode
Live transcoding	Standard transcoding	Incurred for using the standard transcoding feature. Billed based on the transcoding duration (the price varies with the resolution of the output stream).	Daily pay-as-you- go
	Top Speed Codec (TSC) transcoding	Incurred for using the TSC transcoding feature Billed based on the transcoding duration (the price varies with the resolution of the output stream).	Daily pay-as-you- go
	Audio transcoding	Incurred for using the audio transcoding feature. Billed based on the transcoding duration.	Daily pay-as-you- go
Relaying		Billed according to the traffic consumed (a tiered pricing model is used).	Daily pay-as-you- go
Frame Capturing		Incurred for using the frame capturing feature. Billed based on the image count in thousands.	Daily pay-as-you- go

StreamLive features that depend on other Tencent Cloud products:

Feature	Description	Billing Mode
Recording	The scheduled recording feature (whose event type is `Time Record`) relies on Cloud Object Storage (COS).	COS Billing Overview



	Using it will incur COS fees.	
Time shifting	The time shifting feature is implemented by Cloud Streaming Services (CSS). Using it will incur CSS time shifting fees.	Billing of CSS Time Shifting
Face blurring	The face blurring feature is implemented by Media Processing Service (MPS). Using it will incur MPS content recognition fees.	MPS Billing Overview
Smart subtitling	Smart subtitling (caption source: analysis) is implemented by Media Processing Service (MPS). Using it will incur MPS intelligent identification fees.	MPS Billing Overview
Highlights	The highlights feature relies on Media Processing Service (MPS) and Cloud Object Storage (COS). Using it will incur MPS intelligent analysis fees and COS fees.	MPS Billing Overview, COS Billing Overview

Live Transcoding

StreamLive offers three types of transcoding capabilities: **standard transcoding**, **TSC transcoding**, and **audio transcoding**. They are billed according to the transcoding duration. The price varies with the codec used and resolution of the output video.

TSC uses intelligent, dynamic transcoding technologies and a high-precision bitrate control model to produce videos with higher definitions and lower bitrates. For details, see TSC Transcoding.

Your transcoding fees vary according to the transcoding mode you use.

Transcoding Mode	Fees
Joint transcoding	Video transcoding fees
Concrete transpording	Video transcoding fees
Separate transcoding	Audio transcoding fees
Audio-only transcoding	Audio transcoding fees

Must-knows

Billing mode: Pay-as-you-go.

Billing cycle: The transcoding feature is billed daily. The fees incurred each day (from 00:00 to 24:00 (UTC+8)) are

deducted the following day at the time of billing.

When input data is first received after you start a channel (the channel status is "RUNNING"), the system will start transcoding the data according to the transcoding templates bound to the channel's output. If an output is bound with two transcoding templates, transcoding fees will be calculated separately according to the codec used and the output resolution. Please note that after input data is first received, as long as the channel is still in "RUNNING" status, even if no data is received or generated for a certain period of time, transcoding fees will still be incurred. This is because the system inserts frames in between automatically. Only channels whose status is "IDLE" will not incur transcoding fees.

Transcoding duration is rounded up to the nearest minute. The system calculates your transcoding cost by dividing your total transcoding minutes by 60 and then multiplying the result by the unit price of transcoding.

Joint transcoding only incurs video transcoding fees. Audio transcoding fees are charged only if you use audio-only transcoding.

Standard transcoding

Pricing

Codec	Resolution	Price (USD/hour)	Remarks (the long side is whichever dimension is longer)
	480p	0.1818	Long side ≤ 640 px and short side ≤ 480 px
H.264 (AVC)	720p	0.3636	Long side ≤ 1280 px and short side ≤ 720 px
	1080p	0.7272	Long side ≤ 1936 px and short side ≤ 1088 px
	2K	1.4544	Long side ≤ 2560 px and short side ≤ 1440 px
	4K	3.1288	Long side > 2560 px or short side > 1440 px
H.265 (HEVC)	480p	0.9453	Long side ≤ 640 px and short side ≤ 480 px
	720p	1.8907	Long side ≤ 1280 px and short side ≤ 720 px
	1080p	3.7814	Long side ≤ 1936 px and short side ≤ 1088 px
	2K	7.5628	Long side ≤ 2560 px and short side ≤ 1440 px
	4K	15.1257	Long side > 2560 px or short side > 1440 px

Note

For example, if the long side of an output video is 1280 px and the short side is 480 px, the price for 720p will apply. The long side is whichever dimension is longer.

Billing details



Billable item: Standard transcoding duration

Billing rule: Your standard transcoding durations in a natural day are multiplied by the respective unit prices (which depend on the codec used and resolution of the output video) to determine the fee.

Billing formula

Standard transcoding fee = Transcoding duration x Unit price (determined by the codec and output resolution)

Billing example

Assume that on January 1, 2021, you transcoded a one-hour live stream to 720p using the H.264 codec and watermarked a 30-min live stream (the output resolution is 480p). The following transcoding fee would be billed on January 2, 2021:

 $0.3636 \text{ (USD/hour)} \times 1 \text{ (hour)} + 0.1818 \text{ (USD/hour)} \times 0.5 \text{ (hour)} = 0.4545 \text{ USD}$

TSC transcoding

Pricing

Codec	Resolution	Price (USD/hour)
	480p	0.5999
	720p	1.1999
H.264 (AVC)	1080p	2.3998
	2K	4.7995
	4K	10.3250
	480p	3.1195
	720p	6.2393
H.265 (HEVC)	1080p	12.4786
	2K	24.9572
	4K	49.9148

Billing details

Billable item: TSC transcoding duration

Billing rule: Your TSC transcoding durations in a natural day are multiplied by their respective unit prices (which depend on the resolution of the output video) to determine the fee.



Billing formula

TSC transcoding fee = Transcoding duration x Unit price (determined by the output resolution)

Billing example

Assume that on August 1, 2021, you used the TSC transcoding feature to transcode a one-hour live stream to 720p and a 30-min live stream to 480p. The following transcoding fee would be billed on August 2, 2021:

 $1.1999 \text{ (USD/hour)} \times 1 \text{ (hour)} + 0.5999 \text{ (USD/hour)} \times 0.5 \text{ (hour)} = 1.49985 \text{ USD}$

Audio transcoding

StreamLive's audio transcoding feature allows you to transcode audio to multiple formats to meet different business needs. It's a useful and reliable feature that can spare you the trouble of adaption and reduce your labor and hardware costs.

Pricing

Billable Item	Billed By	Price
Audio transcoding	The audio transcoding duration.	0.1218 USD/hour

Billing details

Billable item: Audio transcoding duration

Billing rules: Your audio transcoding duration in a natural day is multiplied by the unit price to determine the fee.

Billing formula

Audio transcoding fee = Transcoding duration x Unit price

Billing example

Assume that you used the audio-only transcoding feature to transcode a five-hour live stream on February 1, 2021.

The following audio transcoding fee would be billed on February 2, 2021:

 $0.1218 \text{ (USD/hour)} \times 5 \text{ (hours)} = 0.609 \text{ USD}$

Relaying

Relaying fees will be incurred if you use StreamLive to publish streams to a third party.

Must-knows



Billing mode: Pay-as-you-go.

Billing cycle: The relaying feature is billed daily. The fees incurred each day (from 00:00 to 24:00 (UTC+8)) are deducted the following day at the time of billing.

If your output type is "HLS_STREAM_PACKAGE", "DASH_STREAM_PACKAGE", "HLS_ARCHIVE", or "DASH_ARCHIVE", relaying fees will not be charged.

Pricing

Region	Traffic Tier	Price (USD/GB)
Hong Kong	0-300 GB	0.1176
	300 GB - 1.5 TB	0.0833
	1.5-5 TB	0.0804
	≥ 5 TB	0.0784
	0-300 GB	0.1176
Singapore	300 GB - 1.5 TB	0.0833
Singapore	1.5-5 TB	0.0804
	≥ 5 TB	0.0784
	0-300 GB	0.0882
Santa Clara	300 GB - 1.5 TB	0.0833
Santa Giara	1.5-5 TB	0.0686
	≥ 5 TB	0.0490
	0-300 GB	0.0882
Virginia	300 GB - 1.5 TB	0.0833
Virginia	1.5-5 TB	0.0686
	≥ 5 TB	0.0490
Frankfurt	0-300 GB	0.0882
	300 GB - 1.5 TB	0.0833
	1.5-5 TB	0.0686



	≥ 5 TB	0.0490
Mumbai	0-300 GB	0.1071
	300 GB - 1.5 TB	0.0833
	1.5-5 TB	0.0804
	≥ 5 TB	0.0784
	0-300 GB	0.1071
Bangkok	300 GB - 1.5 TB	0.0833
Dalignon	1.5-5 TB	0.0804
	≥ 5 TB	0.0784
	0-300 GB	0.1341
Tokyo	300 GB - 1.5 TB	0.1047
Tokyo	1.5-5 TB	0.1011
	≥ 5 TB	0.0988
	0-300 GB	0.1260
Seoul	300 GB - 1.5 TB	0.1220
Geodi	1.5-5 TB	0.1200
	≥ 5 TB	0.1170
	0-300 GB	0.1470
São Paulo	300 GB - 1.5 TB	0.1352
Gao i auto	1.5-5 TB	0.1235
	≥ 5 TB	0.1117

Billing details

Billable item: Relaying traffic.

Billing rule: A tiered pricing model is used. The relaying traffic consumed is multiplied by its unit price in each tier, and the results are added up to determine the fee.



Billing formula

Relaying fee = Amount of traffic relayed x Unit price

Billing example

Assume that on August 5, 2021, you used StreamLive in Hong Kong to relay a live stream to the local address "rtp://129.226.27.xxx:57024". The traffic consumed was 1.8 TB. The following relaying fee would be incurred: $300 \text{ (GB)} \times 0.1176 \text{ (USD/GB)} + 1200 \text{ (GB)} \times 0.0833 \text{ (USD/GB)} + 300 \text{ (GB)} \times 0.0804 \text{ (USD/GB)} = 159.36 \text{ USD}$

Frame Capturing

When you use StreamLive frame capture feature to output images, frame capturing fees wil be incurred.

Must-knows

Billing mode: Pay-as-you-go.

Billing cycle: The frame capturing feature is billed daily. The fees incurred each day (from 00:00 to 24:00 (UTC+8)) are deducted the following day at the time of billing.

If you need to store the images in Tencent Cloud Object Storage (COS), please refer to the billable items in COS. If you need to output the images to a third-party storage service, system will charge relaying fees based on the actual usage. For details, please refer to: StreamLive relaying fees.

Pricing

0.0176 USD/1000 images

Billing details

Billable item: Frame capture.

Billing rule: The total number of images in a natural day is calculated in units of thousands, then multiplied by the unit price.

Billing formula

Frame capturing fee = The number of images (in thousands) × Unit price.

Billing example

Assume that on August 1, 2024, you used StreamLive frame capturing feature and output a total of 1,800 images. The following frame capture fee would be incurred:

 $0.0176 \text{ (USD }/1000 \text{ images)} \times 1.8 \text{ (thousand images)} = 0.03168 \text{ USD.}$



Overdue Payments and Service Suspension

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Note:

If you are a customer of a Tencent Cloud partner, the rules regarding resources when there are overdue payments are subject to the agreement between you and the partner.

Overdue Payments and Service Suspension

- StreamLive fees are billed in the pay-as-you-go mode. Fees incurred each day are deducted from your account balance the following day.
- Tencent Cloud will send you alerts when your account has overdue payments. You have 72 hours to top up your
 account. If you fail to make the payment within 72 hours, we will suspend StreamLive services for your
 account. After service suspension, you will be unable to use the StreamLive console or APIs.

Repossession of Resources

If you still fail to top up your account **60 days** after service suspension, StreamLive will repossess its resources. In addition, Tencent Cloud clears data for suspended services at regular times. The data related to StreamLive under your account will be cleared the next time Tencent Cloud clears such data. Cleared data cannot be recovered.