A ROUGHLY COMPARABLE DEPLOYMENT

Arc Fusion vs DIY Bare Metal

Compare the APIs, deployment and service responsibilities behind your product - alongside the monthly cost of assembling a roughly comparable DIY foundation.

WITH ARC FUSION

One managed enterprise deployment.

Customer-isolated environment
All ArcDynamic API capabilities
Core, Sites, Data, Alerts & Stores
Supporting infrastructure & operations

Deployment quote for your workload

WITH DIY BARE METAL

Choose, connect and operate the stack.

Clustered data, compute, messaging, delivery, identity and sync. Your team owns the service choices and the application APIs that connect them.

Configure the estimate online

Estimated DIY monthly services

Baseline: dedicated Keycloak runtime + sync workers. USD/month; maintenance allowance excluded.

Deployment tier	Roughly comparable scope	Monthly estimate
Tier 1	Production cluster; one region	$690 - $1,750
Tier 2	Expanded capacity; one region	$1,430 - $3,540
Tier 3	Larger footprint; second-region allowance	$3,240 - $7,640

Your API foundation is already built.

Use existing identity, data, files, events and business APIs when your Arc deployment is provisioned. Give your developers and AI agents more room to build the product and connect enterprise systems.

Capacity, integrations and SLA/support scope follow your agreement. Estimated budgets vary with region, traffic and architecture; see the cost scope on page 2.

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INSIDE THE DIY BUDGET

What makes up the estimate.

Monthly service budgets for all three tiers. Dedicated Keycloak and sync-worker capacity are included; provider-specific connections and routine maintenance are selected separately online.

Service category	Tier 1	Tier 2	Tier 3
Server capacity	$400 - $900	$800 - $1,800	$1,800 - $3,800
Database cluster & recovery	Included	Included	Included
Streaming & queue software	Included	Included	Included
Network & routing	$50 - $160	$100 - $300	$250 - $700
Logs & security tooling	$40 - $130	$90 - $260	$200 - $600
Backup & delivery	$80 - $220	$180 - $500	$450 - $1,100
Dedicated Keycloak runtime	$60 - $160	$120 - $320	$240 - $640
Data sync & connector workers	$60 - $180	$140 - $360	$300 - $800
Estimated monthly DIY total	**$690 - $1,750**	**$1,430 - $3,540**	**$3,240 - $7,640**

Deployment scope

Bare metal budgets multi-node capacity for APIs, replicated SQL and Kafka together. Database and messaging capacity are included in the server line, not charged again. Networking, off-site backups and delivery are separate. These are independent USD estimates; linked server prices may use another currency.

Identity choices. Keycloak has no license or per-connection fee; dedicated runtime is budgeted above and its database/routing use the existing infrastructure. WorkOS basic user management is free up to 1M MAU. SSO and directory sync each add $125 per connection/month for 1-15 connections when selected. Only one identity-provider option is counted.

Budget basis. 730 hours/month and on-demand-style estimates. Tiers increase capacity and allow for a second region at Tier 3; they are not Arc hardware or throughput specifications. Initial API/connector development, AI usage, payment processing and tax are additional. Routine maintenance is optional in the live calculator.

Pricing & architecture references

Dedicated server example / Keycloak / Keycloak HA architecture / WorkOS pricing

Customize the comparison online

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