



Gain Control of the costs in your Cloud-Based Offering

VAlign Insight™ is the only activity-based accounting solution you'll need for consistently and accurately tracking the costs associated with your public cloud offering. VAlign Insight empowers you with critical demand and usage information, an essential ingredient that enables activity-based accounting capability for cloud and virtualized services, providing account executives, business leaders, or customers visibility into how much of the shared (virtual) cloud infrastructure resources—compute, storage, and network—are consumed, and at an accurate not arbitrary cost-basis. VAlign Insight is the only solution on the market that includes multi-dimensional rate policies that support different service tiers, and a Cost Pool Calculator from an easy to use wizard interface that gets you going with minimal effort. VAlign Insight also includes extensive reporting and third-party data import capability that is second to none.

KEY FEATURES

Capacity Dashboard

Insight's Executive Capacity Dashboard provides quick identification of current state resource capacity and trends.

Rating Model Support

Rate Policies are built upon available capacity using our "Compute Cell" concept designed to handle bundling resources (CPU and RAM) together to calculate resource consumption based on capacity limits.

Automatic Rate Calculation

Insight automatically calculates service rates using the cost pool calculator and capacity visibility to ensure accurate cost recovery

Report Engine

Insight includes an interactive, web-based report engine that provides both customized and bundled high level and granular reports for capacity and chargeback, protected by role based security model for secure access to data.

Service Pricing and Tracking Capability

The wizard-based VAlign Insight Cost Pool Calculator enables tracking costs for audit purposes and service pricing; allowing you to map the service offering revenue to the actual spend, based on the capacity and usage of the environment.

Storage Price Tiers

Insight offers you the ability to set multiple tiers of storage so you can price your services the same way you pay for capacity.

By metering resource usage and correlating it to services and consumers VAlign provides an automated solution that continually and accurately:

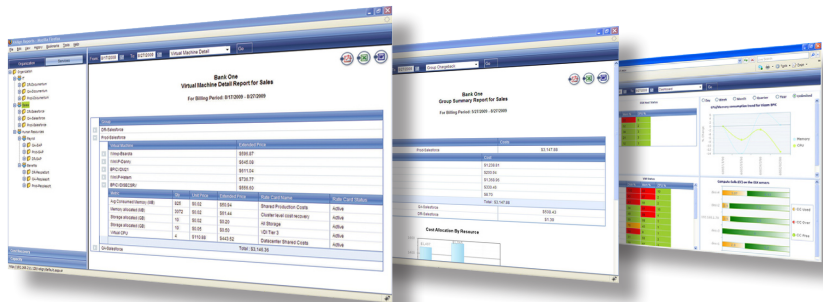
MONITORS IT COSTS AND ROI • PRICES IT SERVICES • RECOVERS IT COST • MANAGES IT DEMAND • FORECASTS CAPACITY NEEDS



How VALign Insight Works

VALIGN INSIGHT HAS THREE FUNDAMENTAL COMPONENTS:

- VALign Client – The VALign Client is a Windows-based administration interface. From the client the user can initiate a discovery of the environment, build a service catalog, assign ownership of the business services and set up billing policies.
- VALign Server – The VALign Server is an engine that polls for inventory and then listens passively for updates in real time. Performance and financial data are gathered and processed on a schedule and stored in a Microsoft SQL database for reporting purposes. Bills are presented via online portal or through integrations with existing ERP Systems.
- VALign Reports – Financial billing data is aggregated by customer, service and infrastructure. Reports can be exported to a variety of common file formats (pdf, csv, xml) for easy integration into other third party financial management systems.



SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS

- MICROSOFT SQL SERVER 2005
- MICROSOFT IIS 6.0
- MICROSOFT NET FRAMEWORK 3.5
- MICROSOFT WINDOWS SERVER 2003

PRICING

VALign Insight licensing is based on the number of ESX Server CPUs. For more details on licensing, please contact your sales representative.