



Quick start for tiering inactive data to Google Cloud Storage

Cloud Tiering

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Start tiering inactive data to Google Cloud Storage by completing a few steps.



Prepare to tier data to Google Cloud Storage

You need the following:

- An AFF or FAS system with all-SSD aggregates that's running ONTAP 9.6 or later and has an HTTPS connection to Google Cloud Storage.
- A service account that has the predefined Storage Admin role and storage access keys.
- A service account that includes the permissions defined in the [Service Connector policy for GCP](#).
- Google Cloud APIs enabled in your project: Cloud Deployment Manager V2 API, Cloud Resource Manager API, and Compute Engine API.
- A GCP user that has the [required permissions](#) to deploy the Service Connector in a Google Cloud Platform VPC.

The VPC where you deploy the Service Connector must provide an outbound HTTPS connection to the ONTAP cluster in your data center, to Google Cloud Storage, and to the Cloud Tiering service.

For step-by-step instructions, see [Preparing to tier inactive data to Google Cloud Storage](#).



Tier inactive data from your first cluster

Log in to [NetApp Cloud Central](#), start a free trial of the Cloud Tiering service, and click **Let's Start, Discover Your First Cluster**.

For step-by-step instructions, see [Tiering inactive data from your first cluster to Google Cloud Storage](#).



Set up licensing

After your free trial ends, pay for Cloud Tiering through a pay-as-you-go subscription, an ONTAP tiering license, or a combination of both:

- To subscribe from the GCP Marketplace, click **Licensing**, click **Subscribe**, and then follow the prompts.
- To add a tiering license, [contact us if you need to purchase one](#), and then add it to your cluster from ONTAP System Manager.

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