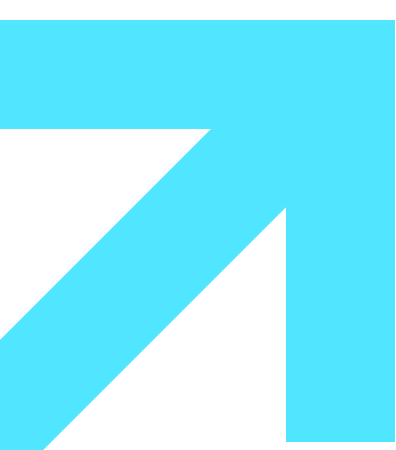


Lessons Learned: Cloud Migration

Four key takeaways from real-life cloud migration experiences



Introduction

Migrating to the cloud can help companies reduce operating costs, simplify infrastructure maintenance, and speed innovation. Implementing a successful migration with minimal business disruptions requires a trustworthy, reliable, and cost-effective cloud provider.

Barriers to innovation

Companies using on-premises systems face multiple barriers that slow growth and inflate operation costs:

Outdated legacy hardware

Workload capacity constraints

Limited scalability

Staffing constraints

Regulatory requirements

Why Azure?

Azure solutions help companies migrate and modernize key workloads so they can:

Improve performance

Reduce operational costs

Respond to business demands faster

Real-life cloud migration lessons

Lesson 1

BlackRock modernizes for scalability and security

When its on-premises infrastructure became too costly and time-consuming to manage, the company decided to modernize its infrastructure by migrating to Azure so it could expand its innovation potential.

Outcome
New client environments created in **weeks instead of months**



We can spin up a new client environment in weeks, rather than quarters, because of the **elasticity and global reach of Azure.**

Joseph Chalom
Head of Strategic Ecosystem Partnerships
BlackRock

Lesson 2

ACI Worldwide unlocks efficiency and cost savings

The global payment services company needed to deploy solutions faster. With Azure automation, tooling, and templating capabilities, ACI engineers can configure an entire system for customers with the touch of a button.

Outcome
Reduced applications deployment time from **six weeks to 45 minutes**



We use Azure automation to greatly **reduce the time needed for every task, thus accelerating business value.**

Prabir Bhounik
Product Architect
ACI Worldwide

Lesson 3

Carlsberg Group unifies complex systems

This Denmark-based brewery needed to unify the complex systems involved in managing over 140 beer brands globally. By migrating legacy data platforms to Azure SQL, the company reduced its datacenter footprint and costs, and achieved greater scalability for future innovation.

Outcome
Migration completed in **less than six months** with **no significant downtime.**



We wanted to get really **scalable, efficient, secure, lower-cost IT** to come up with a digital solution to market at a much faster scale. Within six months, we migrated all of our infrastructure."

Mark Dajani
Chief Information Officer
Carlsberg Group

Lesson 4

eClinicalWorks

As a cloud-based solutions provider for electronic health records (EHR), eClinicalWorks faced capacity challenges that drove up costs and slowed down processes. By migrating its EHR in phases, the company has lowered costs and improved uptime while maintaining security and Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) compliance.

Outcome
Accelerated time to market for new physical hardware from **three months to two weeks**



Because we're able to easily scale horizontally or vertically, customers can gain efficiency using new eClinicalWorks software that's **not constrained by hardware limitations.**

Bharat Satyanarayan
Vice President of Technology and Quality Assurance
eClinicalWorks

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