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THREE COMMON PRICING MODELS



PERPETUAL LICENSE

An upfront sum for the license to own the software and use it in perpetuity. This is the more traditional model and is most common with on-premise applications.



SUBSCRIPTION

A monthly fee to use the software for a specific amount of time. Subscription pricing became popular with the advent of Software-as-a-Service (SaaS).

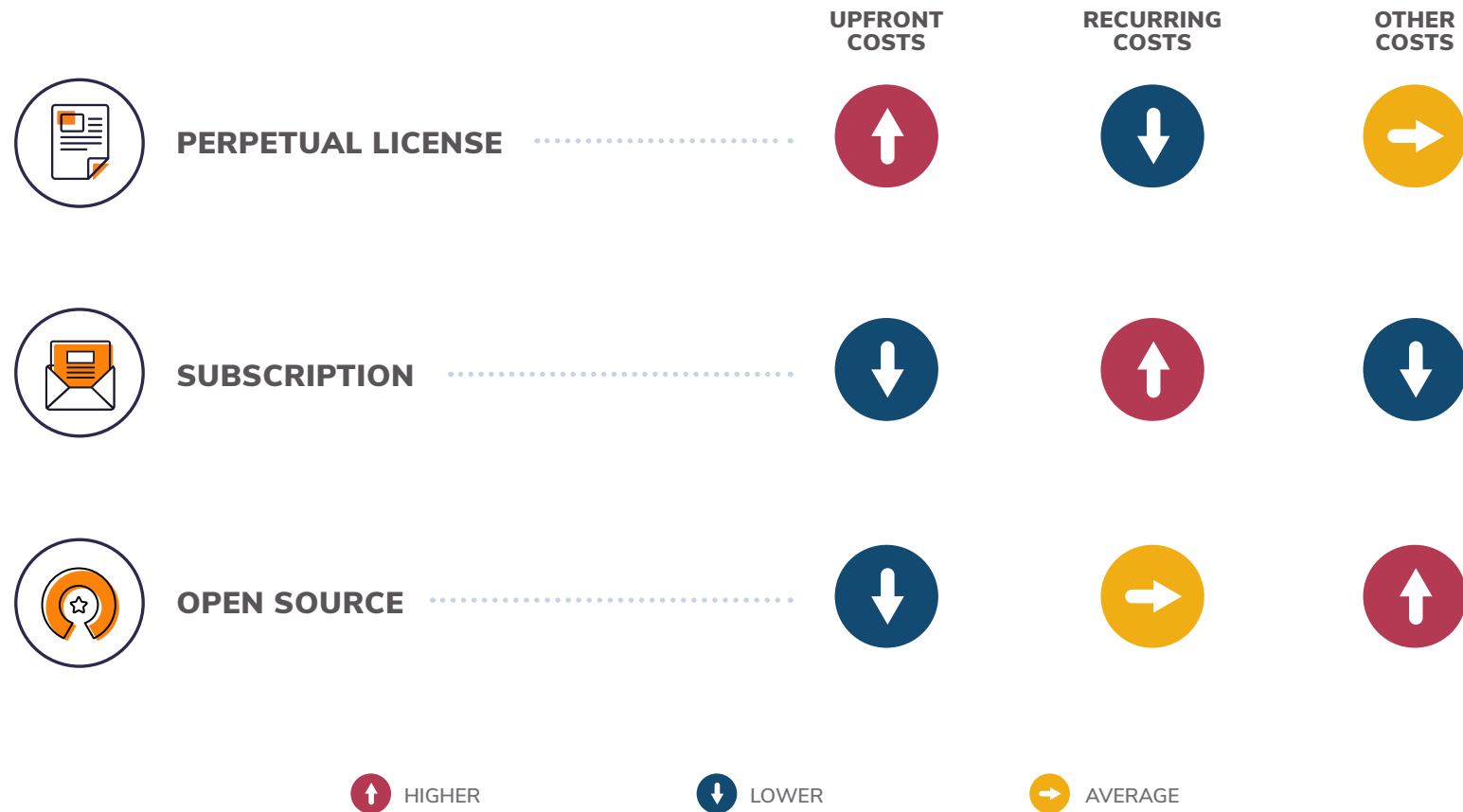


OPEN SOURCE

Licenses are usually free of charge, which reduces upfront costs. Implementation, integration, and ongoing maintenance, however, can be major expenses.

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COMPARING COSTS BY PRICING MODEL



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PERPETUAL LICENSE COSTS



UPFRONT COSTS

- Perpetual license fee
- Customization
- Installation/setup
- Integration with existing systems



RECURRING COSTS

- Maintenance (updates, patches, & upgrades)
- Premium support services



Customization and integration costs can be significant—often as much as or more than the software—if you choose to change the software substantially.

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SUBSCRIPTION COSTS



UPFRONT COSTS

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RECURRING COSTS

- Subscription fee
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Customization and integration costs are often less costly simply because SaaS systems have not provided as much flexibility in this area (although that is changing as SaaS systems evolve).

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FREE & OPEN SOURCE COSTS



UPFRONT COSTS

- Customization
- Installation/setup
- Integration with existing systems



RECURRING COSTS

- Maintenance (updates, patches, & upgrades)
- In-house or outsourced IT consultants



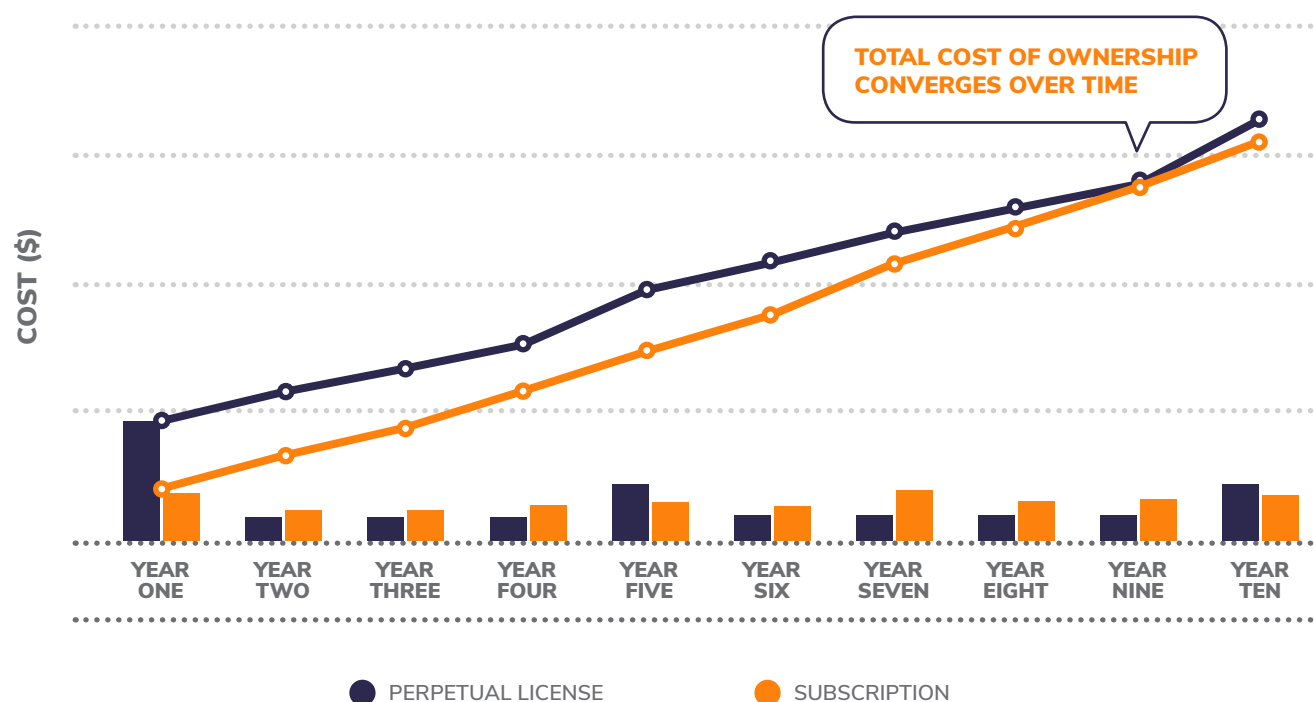
Open source software is typically free to download and develop. Customization, integrations, ongoing maintenance, and upgrades, however, can incur major costs.

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TOTAL COST OF OWNERSHIP FOR SOFTWARE

The bars show the cost per year for a **license** or **subscription** deployment. Those costs accumulate each year as illustrated by the lines, which tend to converge after 7-10 years.

- A **perpetual license** for software typically costs more in the first year, with occasional costs for major upgrades within 5-10 years.
- A **subscription model** further spreads out the total cost and may include additional costs for upgrades beyond the first year.

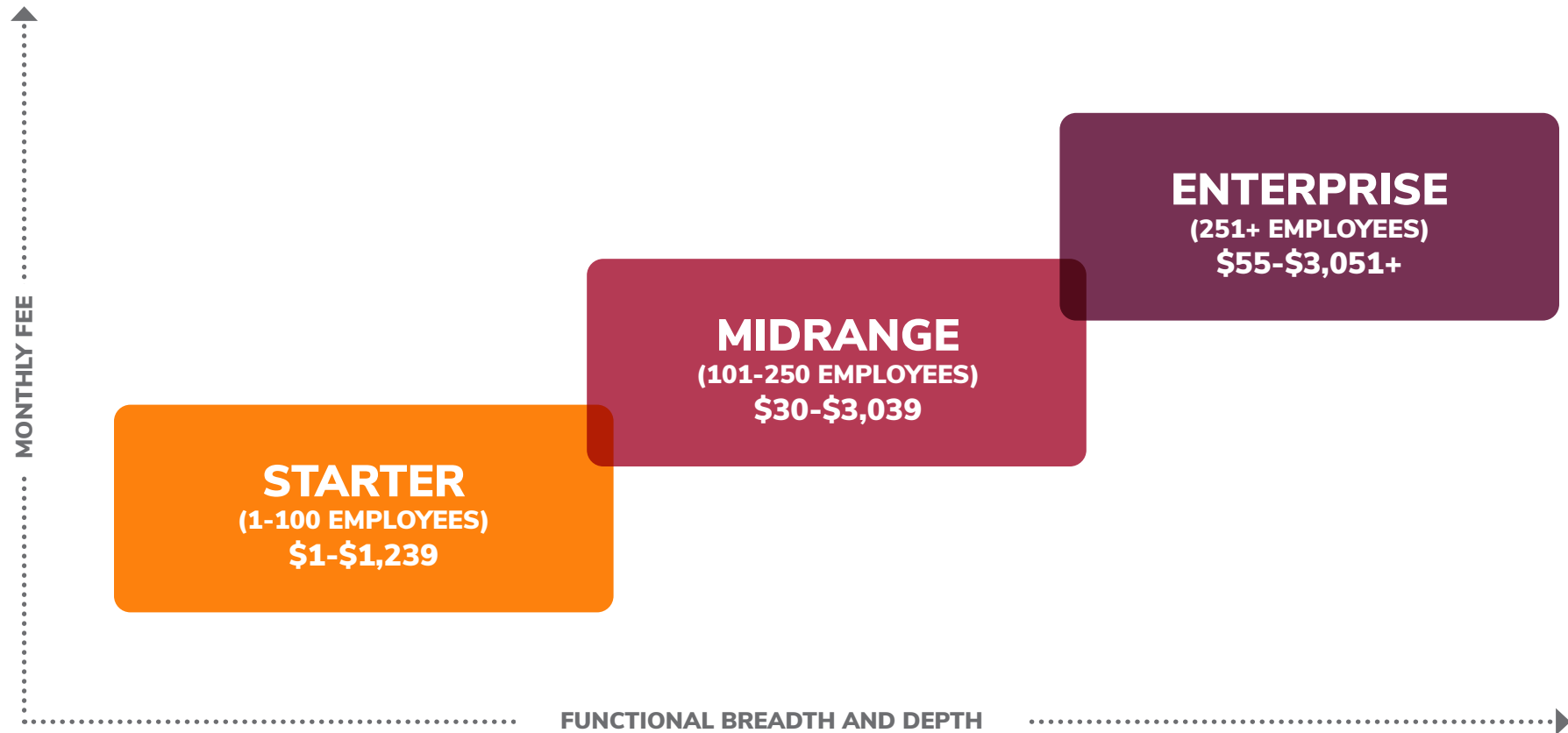


Visit our **TOTAL COST OF OWNERSHIP CALCULATOR** for a more detailed estimate.

CALCULATOR

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SUBSCRIPTION PRICE RANGES



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OFTEN OVERLOOKED COSTS



DATA MIGRATION

While this can be done in-house, most will want to pay the vendor to transfer data.



TRAINING

Web-based training is often included, but vendors will charge for in-person training.



HARDWARE & IT

This can be a major expense for on-premise software buyers that need their own servers.



MAINTENANCE & UPGRADES

Be sure to ask the vendor if they charge for updates, patches, upgrades, and other maintenance events.

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BambooHR	Subscription /mo	No	\$5-\$495	\$500-\$1,238	\$1,243+
Fingercheck	Subscription /mo	No	\$79-\$839	\$847-\$2,039	\$2,047+
Gusto	Subscription /mo	No	\$51-\$1,239	\$1,251-\$3,039	\$3,051+
Kronos Workforce Ready	Subscription /mo	No	\$6-\$600	\$606-\$1,500	\$1,506+
People-Trak	Perpetual License Fee	No	\$10-\$1,000	\$1,010-\$2,500	\$2,510+
PeopleHR	Subscription /mo	No	\$4-\$400	\$404-\$1,000	\$1,004+

*Annual pricing discount is available.

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PurelyHR	Subscription /mo	No	\$5-\$25*	\$30-\$55	\$55+
Rippling	Subscription /mo	No	\$7-\$700	\$707-\$1,750	\$1757+
WebHR	Subscription /mo	Yes	\$3-\$292*	\$293-\$690	\$693+
Zenefits	Subscription /mo	No	\$10-\$1,000*	\$1,010-\$2,500	\$2,510+
Zoho People	Subscription /mo	Yes	\$1-\$100*	\$101-\$250	\$251+

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