

# FedRAMP

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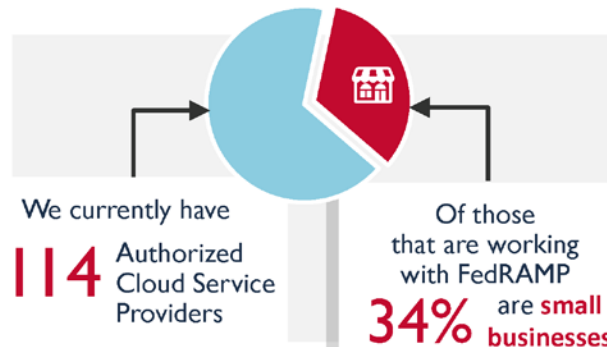


## FEDRAMP AT A GLANCE

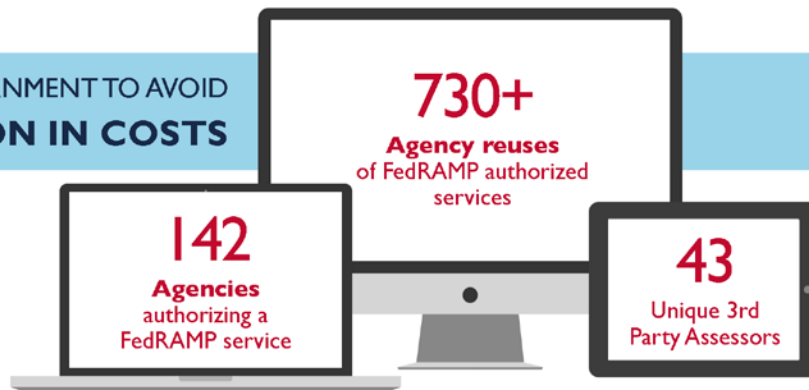


The program has  
been in existence for

**6 YEARS**



FEDRAMP HAS **ENABLED** GOVERNMENT TO AVOID  
**>\$183 MILLION IN COSTS**





### FedRAMP PMO

- Provide a unified process for all Agencies to follow
- Work with the JAB to prioritize vendors to achieve authorizations with an efficient review schedule
- Support CSPs and Agencies through the FedRAMP process
- Maintain secure repository of FedRAMP ATOs to enable reuse



### AGENCIES

- Conduct quality risk assessments that can be reused
- Integrate the FedRAMP requirements into Agency specific policies/procedures
- Deposit ATO documents in the FedRAMP secure repository



### CSPs

- Submit quality documentation and testing in support of their FedRAMP application for the Cloud Service Offering (CSO)
- Encourage customers to reuse existing ATOs for their CSO



### 3PAOs

- Maintain independence as part of the quality assurance process
- Provide quality assessments





# FEDRAMP PATHS TO AUTHORIZATION

## JOINT AUTHORIZATION BOARD (JAB) & AGENCY

### Joint Authorization Board Provisional Authority to Operate (P-ATO)

- The primary governance and decision making body for the FedRAMP program
- CIOs of DoD, DHS, and GSA strictly review CSP packages for an acceptable risk posture using a standard baseline approach
- The JAB issues provisional authorizations (P-ATO); this is not a risk acceptance, but an assurance to Agencies that the risk posture of the system has been reviewed by DoD, DHS, and GSA, and approved. Each Agency must review and issue their own ATO that covers their Agency's use of the cloud service

There are two paths to an authorization, through the JAB or Agency



**FedRAMP Authorized**

### Agency Authority to Operate (ATO)

- *Agency Initial (Sponsored) ATO:* Initial Agency reviews CSP FedRAMP security package; Agency/CSP submits the security package and Agency ATO to the FedRAMP PMO. FedRAMP confirms package meets FedRAMP requirements and makes security package available for Agencies to reuse
- *Agency Leveraged ATO:* Agency reviews JAB or Initial Agency FedRAMP ATO security packages and issues Agency ATO. Agency sends a copy of ATO letter to FedRAMP PMO for record keeping

# **FedRAMP standardizes the way the government does security authorizations for cloud products and services**

## **Do Once, Use Many Times**

Doing security authorizations right the first time allows agencies to re-use work and eliminate duplicative efforts

## **Transparency**

Increased collaboration creates a community among the USG and industry that did not exist before, establishing the FIRST government-wide FISMA program

## **Validated Work**

FedRAMP validates security authorizations to ensure that there is uniformity among security packages

## **Central Sharing**

FedRAMP provides a centralized repository where agencies can request access to security packages for expedient authorizations

## The FedRAMP PMO is the only entity that can classify CSOs according to three titles



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Ready



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In Process



113

Authorized

A listing of all CSOs that have achieved FedRAMP status can be found on the

[FedRAMP Marketplace](#)





FedRAMP has several resources for agencies and CSPs on our [website](#)

### OVERARCHING

- [Accelerated White Paper](#): Captures FedRAMP's experience with redesigning its JAB Authorization process based on stakeholder feedback and shares its insights on creating change within the Government.
- [Agency Authorization: Roles and Responsibilities for FedRAMP, CSPs, and Agencies](#): Provides a summary review of the roles and responsibilities of the Agency, CSP, and FedRAMP PMO during the Agency authorization process.

### FOR CSPs

- [CSP Playbook](#): Provides an overview of all partners involved in a FedRAMP authorization, things to consider when determining authorization strategy, types of authorizations, and important considerations for your offering when engaging with FedRAMP.
- [Authorization Boundary Guidance](#): Provides CSPs guidance for developing the authorization boundary for their offering(s) which is required for their FedRAMP authorization package.

### FOR AGENCIES

- [Agency Authorization Playbook](#): A compilation of best practices, tips, and step-by-step guidance for Agencies seeking to implement ATOs.
- [Acquisition FAQs](#): FAQ resource - developed in conjunction with OMB - that agencies can reference when developing their solicitations.

# QUESTIONS?

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