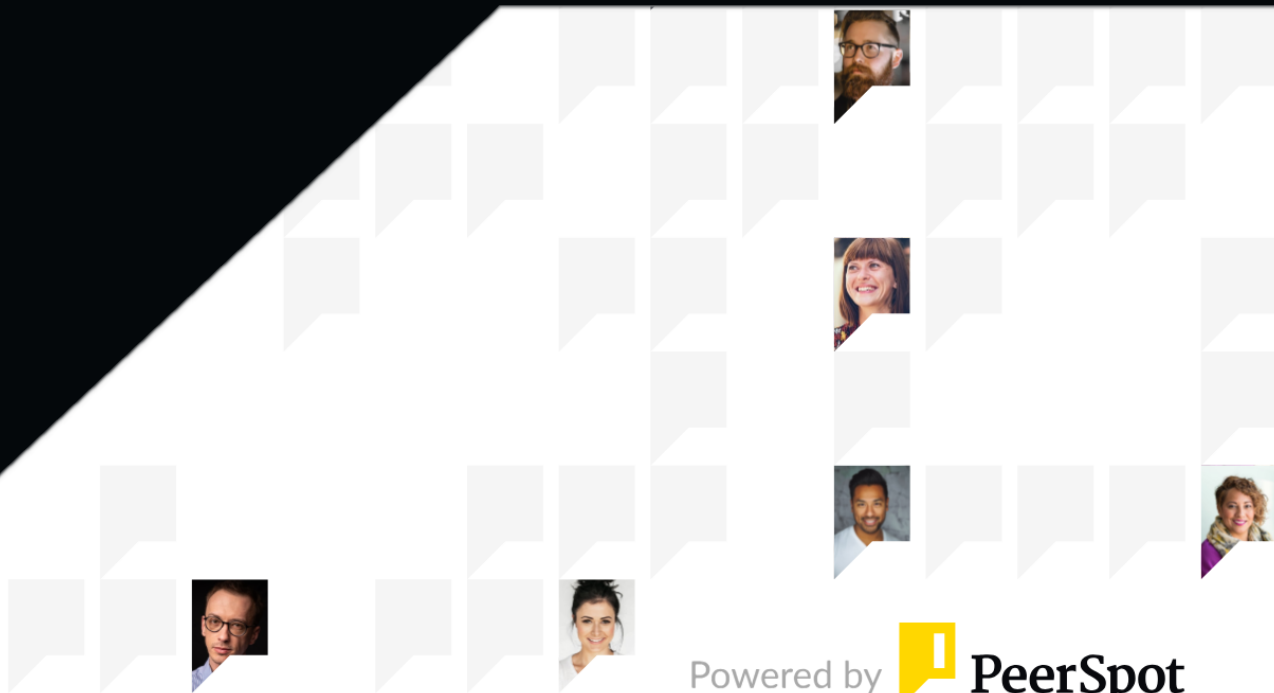




Aiven Platform

Reviews, tips, and advice from real users



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Product Recap



Aiven Platform

Aiven Platform Recap

Aiven for Apache Kafka is a robust data streaming platform utilized for real-time analytics, event-driven architectures, and message brokering, enhancing data processing across systems. It features scalable operations, excellent data replication, and comprehensive monitoring, significantly improving organizational efficiency and decision-making processes through high-level data management capabilities.

Valuable Features

Excerpts from real customer reviews on PeerSpot:



“Aiven Platform delivers highly accurate and reliable outputs with consistent performance, and its managed services, monitoring, and high availability features help to ensure data integrity and minimize downtime, highlighting the accuracy and reliability of the output.”



Abdulmunafz Mct

Full Stack Developer at Sri Krishna Arts and Science



“The performance of Aiven Platform is quite good, as I have not seen any downtime, and it is very reliable, with backups in place, allowing me to fetch data without experiencing any high latency, even as a free tier user.”



Ayush Pandey

Digital solutions architect at a educational organization with 51-200 employees



“Based on my experience with Aiven Platform, the best feature it offers is Apache Kafka, which is top-notch and one of the best services I have used.”



Paul Juma

Software Engineer

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Senior Mulesoft Developer at a outsourcing company with 5,001-10,000 employees

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Technical Specialist at a tech vendor with 10,001+ employees

- ✓ “One of the most valuable features of Aiven Platform is that it handles the upgrades for us seamlessly, saving us time that would be spent on routine upgrades.”



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CTO and Co-Founder at PeerSpot



“What I like best about the tool is that the process for the services is faster compared to other methods. It's easier to use because Aiven for Apache Kafka handles the maintenance, so we have less to manage. We only use Kafka to manage its connectivity.”



Verified user

System Engineer - Cloud Platform at a computer software company with 1,001-5,000 employees

What users had to say about valuable features:

“One of the most valuable features of Aiven Platform is that it handles the upgrades for us seamlessly, saving us time that would be spent on routine upgrades. It also provides reliable backups. The ability to minimize disruption during upgrades is very important since any database downtime would mean system-wide disruptions..”

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“Aiven Platform offers excellent flexibility to fall back to other clouds when running on a single cloud, and the total cost of ownership is significantly less. Aiven Platform's cloud flexibility helps my team substantially through seamless migration from one cloud to another, and it provides 99.99% uptime.

Aiven Platform has positively impacted my organization by substantially reducing the total cost of ownership. The budget gets reduced by 20 to 30% when compared to other services available on other clouds.

I would like to highlight the MirrorMaker feature, which allows existing workloads to be backed up and provides a significant advantage. I can also leverage the BYOC (bring your own cloud) concept to have Aiven Platform services hosted on my own cloud infrastructure..”

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“The features I like about Aiven Platform include the cloud platform and the database hosting. One of my favorite features is SQL hosting, which is provided by very limited platforms, offering free SQL hosting that is more than sufficient for my MVPs and significantly aids in building products around SQL.

“The performance of Aiven Platform is quite good, as I have not seen any downtime, and it is very reliable, with backups in place, allowing me to fetch data without experiencing any high latency, even as a free tier user.

“Many workflows, including integrity pipelines, are positively impacted by Aiven Platform, which is also very cost-efficient, making it beneficial for my projects..”

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“Based on my experience with Aiven Platform, the best feature it offers is Apache Kafka, which is top-notch and one of the best services I have used.

What makes Apache Kafka stand out for me on Aiven Platform is its reliability, which is very important because when I'm streaming events, I do not want to lose my data. The fact that it is reliable and scales automatically is crucial for my work when streaming large events so that my services do not break down.

The automatic scaling feature is very important because it eliminates the need to manually manage the scaling for Kafka, making it a significant advantage.

Aiven Platform has positively impacted my organization because it is reliable and scalable, which is crucial as there is a lot of data being consumed and exchanged between services. Its reliability with minimal downtime helps reduce data loss when streaming, influencing production and operations significantly. .”

Paul Juma

Software Engineer

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“The best features Aiven Platform offers in my experience are the easily managed databases and data services, automatic backups and recovery, high scalability and performance, real-time monitoring and alerts, and the multi-cloud support which includes AWS, Google Cloud, and Azure, alongside simple setup and maintenance. It is an easy cloud deployment which saves time and reduces operational time and efforts.

“Among those features, the one that stands out most is the automatic management and scalability, as it reduces the operational workload, ensures reliability, and allows the team to focus on building applications instead of managing infrastructure. That is the one tool I will be recommending as most favorable.

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“The best features Aiven Platform offers include RAG-based citation-backed AI, AI risk and compliance management, AI governance and compliance, and secure AI deployment.

“What stands out to me about Aiven's risk and compliance management features is their capability to proactively identify AI-related risks, support compliance, and improve transparency. Adding real-time risk alerts and automation with scoring and clearer mitigation recommendations would make the feature even more valuable.

“The main key areas to consider regarding Aiven Platform's AI capabilities are governance, with clear policies, accountability, and audit trails, while for security, it involves data privacy, access control, and secure deployment. Under risk management, we need to identify potential AI risks and support mitigation before deployment, and for transparency, making AI decisions and compliance evidence easier to review is essential. I think Aiven's governance and security approach is valuable as it focuses on responsible AI adoption, risk management, privacy, and compliance.

“Regarding the accuracy and reliability of output for Aiven Platform, I believe it has good potential to deliver accurate and reliable results for structured AI governance, risk assessment, and access to trusted information..”

Areeb Memon

Senior Mulesoft Developer at a outsourcing company with 5,001-10,000 employees

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Other Solutions Considered

“We used Engine Yard's support for databases before switching to Aiven Platform. Every upgrade was a hassle and nerve-wracking. We by usign Aiven we needed fewer servers because of we did need serves to hodyt the PG and MySql databases..”

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“I evaluated other options before choosing Aiven Platform, including AWS solutions and Heroku, but the benefits I gained from Aiven are much more superior..”

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“Previously, I was using DigitalOcean and Heroku cloud solutions, but I switched to Aiven Platform because of its continuous maintainability, improvement, and SQL support, which I appreciated the most..”

Ayush Pandey

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“Before Aiven Platform, I used a self-managed database that required more backups, manual maintenance, monitoring, and scaling. After learning about Aiven Platform, it simplified these operations and improved reliability while reducing operational overhead.

“Before choosing Aiven Platform, I did not evaluate other options. I was using a self-managed database and cloud services as I mentioned..”

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ROI

Real user quotes about their ROI:

“I see it as an investment as it eliminates our need for infrastructure to manage databases or tools. Aiven Platform is all-in-one, making it more helpful rather than having multiple employees..”

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Use Case

“I use Aiven for Apache Kafka to handle services dependent on each other. Instead of API calls, we use it for asynchronous processing of all our services. That's the general way we use it..”

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System Engineer - Cloud Platform at a computer software company with 1,001-5,000 employees

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“My main use case for Aiven Platform is for running database services. In my day-to-day work, application servers are hosted on the database, and this allows me to use open source services. Aiven Platform has managed service options for PostgreSQL and MySQL, which enables my applications to be hosted on those databases..”

Verified user

Technical Specialist at a tech vendor with 10,001+ employees

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“My main use case for Aiven Platform is managing our databases and data services, which is reliable and has good performance for less operational overhead.

“When I say I use it for managing databases and data services, I actually work with secured data storage, scalability, and backups. I also wanted to mention that it makes monitoring easier. It makes it easier to handle and analyze the data without managing infrastructure. That is an easier thing that they have made..”

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“My main use case for Aiven Platform is Apache Kafka for event streaming.

A specific example of how I use Apache Kafka for event streaming with Aiven Platform is in a project called Dr. Q, which has multiple services. When I have events in one service and want to publish them for other services to consume, I use Aiven Apache Kafka for the producer and the consumer, making communication between the services easier. I use it to stream events between services.

Apart from the communications for large data streamings such as streaming for videos and video calls, I also use Apache Kafka when I want to stream large data and videos. .”

Paul Juma

Software Engineer

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“My main use case for Aiven Platform is to help the organization adopt AI securely, build AI-powered solutions, retrieve trusted information using RAG, and manage AI governance and compliance.

“Aiven Platform can help the organization accelerate AI adoption while improving governance and security compliance, reduce manual work, improve access to enterprise knowledge, and provide more control for the AI development procedure..”

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“I first used Aiven Platform five years ago when I was in college for various projects, which included using SQL for my RAG bots and SQL for a finance analysis tool. Last year, I also used it for SQL databases and tools.

“My main use case for Aiven Platform currently is the SQL database, as I use Aiven Platform's SQL hosted database for my MVPs, such as RAG tools, finance analyzers, archaeology chatbots, or other MVPs which include the usage of SQL databases.

“My first MVP was built using Aiven Platform and Tesseract OCR. In this project, I asked users to upload their passbook, which was completely encrypted and never stored in any database. Once uploaded, the AI analyzed the passbook data against pre-configured settings to suggest products based on their spending behavior, specifically using SQL to analyze the data with pre-configured data stored on Aiven Platform.

“In addition to my previous projects, I used Aiven Platform for building another MVP, specifically a pipeline for image classification where I built an integrity checks tool that can run a batch job on the cloud. This allows me to analyze hundreds and thousands of images and store results on whether the person is cheating or not..”

Ayush Pandey

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Setup

The setup process involves configuring and preparing the product or service for use, which may include tasks such as installation, account creation, initial configuration, and troubleshooting any issues that may arise. Below you can find real user quotes about the setup process.

“The tool's deployment is easy. We choose the VPC, the region, and whether we use the solution's VPC or our own. We select the version and the plan (basic or business), create the service, and it is ready to use after a few minutes. That's one of the best things about deploying it.

For security, our services use the solution's default authorization. We have to authenticate and use either SASL or a keystore file for authorization. This ensures that anyone outside our network can't access the topics..”

Verified user

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System Engineer - Cloud Platform at a computer software company with
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“In my organization, Aiven Platform is deployed as a public cloud, running on the cloud. The deployment model needs to be confirmed with the platform and IT team, depending on the organization's infrastructure and data security requirements. Right now, during the testing phase, we are using the public cloud, but in the future, we may go with an on-premises server depending on processes concerning banking and the company.

“We use Azure for the public cloud deployment..”

Areeb Memon

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Customer Service and Support

“I have not used customer support so far. I have been using other options, so I am not sure about customer support as I am not facing any issues currently..”

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Full Stack Developer at Sri Krishna Arts and Science

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“Customer support for Aiven Platform is not needed frequently, but if I encounter any issues such as losing data or query problems, support is available..”

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“Customer service usually responds promptly, but there have been times when communication felt like throwing an inquiry over a wall and waiting for a reply. It detracted from getting a quick understanding and solution for challenges..”

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“I can say that I have seen a reduction in downtimes because compared to when I manually run Apache Kafka, Aiven handles this now more easily. The downtime decreases from seventy to twenty percent, which is noteworthy. Also, the events are delivered in real-time, which improves faster data processing from twenty percent to sixty percent, making these statistics very important for us..”

Paul Juma

Software Engineer

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“We haven't had any significant issues so far. Our manager can escalate issues to the solution's engineers even when we have issues. They provide a fast response to our incidents and solve our issues. After solving the problem, the engineers also look into the issue to find the root cause.

We've contacted their support before. We submit support tickets and follow up with our account manager. The account manager can then follow up with the engineers, which helps the ticket get processed faster.

Their support team has several experts, especially in Apache Kafka. We can always ask them about specific issues. For example, our principal engineer once asked about Kafka offset, and the account manager was able to handle it and provide best practices..”

Verified user

System Engineer - Cloud Platform at a computer software company with 1,001-5,000 employees

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Other Advice

“My advice to others looking into using Aiven Platform is to first check the integration documents, assess the risk compliance issues for their requirements, manage pricing, and then make a decision. I would rate Aiven Platform an eight on a scale of one to ten..”

Areeb Memon

Senior Mulesoft Developer at a outsourcing company with 5,001-10,000 employees

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“For others looking into using Aiven Platform, I would say it is a good choice because the setup is easier, the pricing is a bit lower, and although the documentation is not very detailed, it is understandable. I would rate this experience a seven out of ten..”

Paul Juma

Software Engineer

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“Apache Kafka is really good for streaming data or messaging services. It's comparable to other messaging services.

Overall, I'd rate Aiven for Apache Kafka an eight out of ten. .”

Verified user

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System Engineer - Cloud Platform at a computer software company with 1,001-5,000 employees

“In our experience, we encountered issues with Aiven Platform's connection to [Redis](#). It was not smooth, and though we like the solution overall, we are hesitant about using [Redis](#) integration again. Additionally, on a scale of one to ten, I would rate Aiven Platform a nine due to the alck of an interface for backups and a more responsive customer service..”

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CTO and Co-Founder at PeerSpot

“My advice to others looking into using Aiven Platform is to focus on leveraging it for more database integration work, as reliability and cost-effectiveness are compelling reasons to adopt the platform.

“I have been using Aiven Platform for the last five years and have recommended it to people in my organization for creating minimal viable products and prototypes before building actual solutions. I really appreciate the platform. I would rate this review as 7.5 out of 10..”

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“My advice for others looking into using Aiven Platform is that if they are managing a Postgres database, they need to switch to Aiven Platform. It is truly worth it for the automatic management, automatic data retrieval, and secured support along with easy infrastructure management without needing any setup.

“Before I wrap up, I would reiterate that everything is easily made, and Aiven Platform will automatically retrieve data. Particularly for managing a database, Aiven Platform is very good. Even for deployment, it is good, but I have not used it much for deployments. I rate this product an eight out of ten..”

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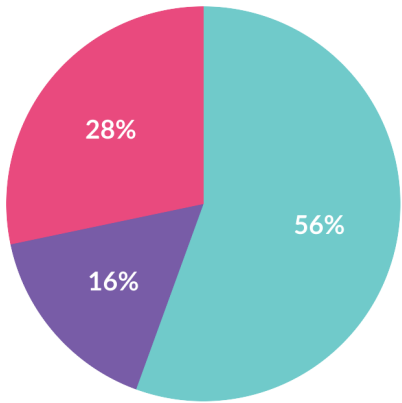
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