

Free Cloud Storage 2026: 9-Plan Comparison Sheet

Free allowances, catches and best uses for nine providers, verified October 4, 2026.

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Nine providers offer free cloud storage, from MEGA's 20 GB base to Internxt's 1 GB, and together they add up to roughly 78 GB. Google Drive is the best all-rounder at up to 15 GB, MEGA gives the most, and Proton Drive suits privacy. Give each cloud one job, lock every account down, and keep another copy offline, since a free cloud drive is not a full backup.

~78 GB

all nine free tiers combined

20 GB

MEGA base free storage,
the largest

15 GB

Google Drive, shared with
Gmail and Photos

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free plans compared

Nine free plans compared

Service	Free storage	Best for	Main catch
MEGA	~20 GB base	Large free space, encryption	Bonuses expire after a year
Google Drive	Up to 15 GB	Everyday use, Android	Shared with Gmail and Photos
pCloud	2 GB, up to 10 GB	Personal media and files	Rest needs tutorial and invites
Box	10 GB	Document sharing	250 MB file upload limit
Icedrive	10 GB	Simple personal cloud	No desktop sync or versions
OneDrive	5 GB	Windows and Office users	Small allowance
Proton Drive	2 GB, up to 5 GB	Privacy	Full 5 GB needs three setup tasks in 30 days
Dropbox Basic	2 GB	Simple sync and sharing	Syncs on 3 devices only
Internxt	1 GB	Testing private storage	Too small for serious use

Build a 50 GB plan for \$0

The page's tracker suggests combining 4 free accounts: MEGA, Google Drive, Box and Icedrive.

- 1 Sign up for a free MEGA account.
- 2 Use the Drive in your Google account.
- 3 Create a free Box account for documents.
- 4 Add a free Icedrive account.
- 5 Protect every account with a password manager and 2FA.
- 6 Keep one more copy of important files offline.

Pick by use case

Android

Google Drive, tied into Google accounts, Photos and Gmail.

Windows

OneDrive, built into the OS with Word, Excel and Outlook.

Privacy

Proton Drive, with end-to-end and zero-access encryption. Internxt is smaller.

Documents

Google Drive for collaborative editing, Box for business-style sharing.

Largest free space

MEGA, Google Drive, pCloud, Box and Icedrive: compare these first.

Simple sync

Dropbox, familiar but only 2 GB.

Before you rely on a free plan

- ☐ Verify current storage and file size limits on the provider's page.
- ☐ Use strong passwords and two-factor authentication.
- ☐ Give every cloud exactly one job: archive, working files or paper trail.
- ☐ Lock down each free account as you create it, because unused accounts decay.
- ☐ Do not store highly sensitive files without encryption.
- ☐ Do not treat a cloud drive as your only backup: keep multiple copies, versioning and one copy off your main device or account.

One-account paid alternatives

Monthly prices checked October 2026, before tax. They vary by country.

Plan	Storage	Price per month
Google One Basic	100 GB	\$1.99
Microsoft 365 Basic	100 GB	\$1.99
pCloud Premium	500 GB	\$4.17

Sources and notes: Mr.PlanB free plan tracker, data last verified October 4, 2026 · Official provider free-plan pages as linked on the page · Monthly paid-plan prices checked October 2026