

Cost-to-Serve Analysis for Customer Segments Training Course

Professional Development Training Course Outline

Category	Customer Service and Customer Experience	Duration	5 Days
Base Fee	\$1,500 USD	Delivery Mode	Online / On-site Hybrid

Course Introduction

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Course Objectives

By the end of this training, participants will be able to:

1. Understand the fundamentals of Cost-to-Serve Analysis (CTSA) and its strategic importance.
2. Identify and segment customers based on profitability and service complexity.
3. Map out end-to-end supply chain and service processes for accurate cost allocation.
4. Analyze direct and indirect costs associated with each customer segment.
5. Apply activity-based costing (ABC) methods to derive actionable insights.
6. Evaluate the impact of pricing strategies on profitability.
7. Leverage data analytics and visualization tools for cost-to-serve reporting.
8. Identify high-cost customers and develop targeted mitigation strategies.
9. Optimize distribution, logistics, and operational workflows.
10. Develop strategies to improve customer satisfaction while reducing costs.
11. Integrate AI and predictive analytics for future cost-to-serve forecasting.
12. Prepare actionable management reports and dashboards for executive decision-making.
13. Implement continuous improvement programs for sustainable profitability and growth.

Target Audience

1. Supply Chain Managers
2. Operations Managers
3. Financial Analysts
4. Customer Relationship Managers (CRM)
5. Business Analysts
6. Strategy and Planning Professionals
7. Logistics and Distribution Heads
8. Senior Management Executives

Course Modules

Module 1: Introduction to Cost-to-Serve Analysis

- Definition and strategic relevance of CTSA
- Key metrics and performance indicators
- Understanding customer profitability
- Overview of direct vs. indirect costs
- Case Study: Profitability analysis in FMCG distribution

Module 2: Customer Segmentation for Cost Optimization

- Identifying high-value and low-value customers
- Segmentation based on purchase behavior and service requirements
- Analyzing service-level differences across segments
- Tools for data-driven segmentation
- Case Study: Telecom customer profitability segmentation

Module 3: Mapping End-to-End Processes

- Understanding supply chain touchpoints
- Visualizing the customer journey
- Mapping activities to costs
- Identifying cost leakage points
- Case Study: Retail chain logistics mapping

Module 4: Activity-Based Costing (ABC) Techniques

- Fundamentals of ABC costing
- Linking activities to resources and costs
- Calculating per-customer cost
- Benefits of ABC over traditional costing
- Case Study: ABC implementation in a manufacturing firm

Module 5: Data Analytics for Cost-to-Serve

- Key analytics tools and software
- Data collection and cleansing
- Building cost-to-serve dashboards
- Visualization for decision-making
- Case Study: Using BI tools for customer cost reporting

Module 6: Pricing Strategies and Profitability

- Linking CTSA to pricing decisions
- Evaluating the impact of discounts and promotions
- Margin optimization techniques
- Scenario planning for pricing strategy
- Case Study: Pricing adjustment in B2B distribution

Module 7: Operational Efficiency and Service Optimization

- Identifying high-cost operations
- Streamlining logistics and delivery routes
- Reducing unnecessary service touchpoints
- Benchmarking best practices
- Case Study: Logistics optimization in e-commerce

Module 8: Implementing Insights and Continuous Improvement

- Turning analysis into action plans
- Monitoring key performance indicators

- Integrating AI and predictive analytics
- Designing continuous improvement programs
- Case Study: Sustained cost reduction in a pharmaceutical company

Training Methodology

This course employs a participatory and hands-on approach to ensure practical learning, including:

- Interactive lectures and presentations.
- Group discussions and brainstorming sessions.
- Hands-on exercises using real-world datasets.
- Role-playing and scenario-based simulations.
- Analysis of case studies to bridge theory and practice.
- Peer-to-peer learning and networking.
- Expert-led Q&A sessions.
- Continuous feedback and personalized guidance.

Register as a group from 3 participants for a Discount

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Certification

Upon successful completion of this training, participants will be issued with a globally- recognized certificate.

Tailor-Made Course

We also offer tailor-made courses based on your needs.

Key Notes

- a. The participant must be conversant with English.
- b. Upon completion of training the participant will be issued with an Authorized Training Certificate
- c. Course duration is flexible and the contents can be modified to fit any number of days.
- d. The course fee includes facilitation training materials, 2 coffee breaks, buffet lunch and A Certificate upon successful completion of Training.
- e. One-year post-training support Consultation and Coaching provided after the course.
- f. Payment should be done at least a week before commence of the training, to FINESKILL TRAINING CENTER account, as indicated in the invoice so as to enable us prepare better for you.

Upcoming Scheduled Sessions

Start Date	End Date	Location	Price
07 Sep 2026	11 Sep 2026	Physical	\$1,500

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14 Sep 2026	18 Sep 2026	Physical	\$1,500
21 Sep 2026	25 Sep 2026	Physical	\$1,500
28 Sep 2026	02 Oct 2026	Physical	\$1,500
05 Oct 2026	09 Oct 2026	Physical	\$1,500
12 Oct 2026	16 Oct 2026	Physical	\$1,500
19 Oct 2026	23 Oct 2026	Physical	\$1,500
26 Oct 2026	30 Oct 2026	Physical	\$1,500

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