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In short: each model states its pricing unit: **per second** of video or **per generation**. When you send the request, the expected cost is reserved. At the end you pay the real cost and the rest goes back to your balance. A generation that fails costs nothing. See the **AI video and voice** page.

Where you see the price

On the **«Models» tab** of All in One AI, the «Video» and «Audio» filters show each model's credits, per second or per generation. Through the API, `GET /v1/models?type=video` and `GET /v1/models?type=audio` return in `pricing` the unit (`second` or `generation`) and the credits per unit.

In the terminal, `aio models --type video` shows the same in a table. In an agent with the MCP server, ask: «Which video models do you have and how much does each second cost?»

Doing the sums

Unit	The sum	Example
Per second	credits per second × length	A 5-second video costs five times the model's price per second.
Per generation	credits per generation × number of files	Three messages for your phone line are three generations.
Per image	credits per image × number of images	See **what an AI image costs**.

The real cost is only known at the end, because it can depend on the request's options. That is why the request reserves first: the reserved amount comes in `credits_reserved` and the charged amount in `credits_charged`. If the reserve was bigger, the rest comes back. If the generation fails, it all comes back.

Buying credits

Buy credits on the **«Buy credits» tab** of All in One AI. The minimum order is 1,000 credits, and each credit gets cheaper with quantity: 10% less from 10,001 credits and 25% less from 100,001. The price in your currency shows when you buy. AI credits have their own balance, separate from your account credit, and work for every model. The steps are in **AI credits: how to buy them**.

Through the API, `GET /v1/ai/credits/prices` shows the price by quantity and `POST /v1/ai/credits/purchase` buys from your account credit, at the same price. The key needs `billing:purchase` and `ai:write`, and the request needs the `Idempotency-Key` header.

Without enough credits for the reserve
, the API answers `402 insufficient_credits`: `details.required` says how much you need and `details.balance` how much you have. Nothing is charged.

Before a long video or many generations
, check your balance with `GET /v1/ai/balance` (or `aio balance`) and run a short test first. To write your program without spending, use a `sandbox_` key. See **how to test in the Sandbox at no cost**.

RECOMMENDED

Want to compare video and voice models? See the AI video and voice page.

See AI video and voice →

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- What an AI image costs in credits: the price per image, the reserve and the refund →
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