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# CHAPTER 1

## Introduction

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- [What's New in this Release, on page 1](#)
- [Cisco Content Security Management Overview, on page 4](#)

## What's New in this Release

This section describes the new features and enhancements in this release of AsyncOS for Cisco Content Security Management.

*Table 1: What's New in AsyncOS 13.8.0*

| Feature                       | Description   |
|-------------------------------|---|
| Message Tracking Enhancements | The new web interface includes the following user experience enhancements: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The <b>Message Tracking Search Results</b> page is now enhanced to display more search results per page view.</li><li>• The <b>Message Tracking Search Details</b> page layout is now enhanced to display the <b>Envelope Header and Summary</b> and <b>Sending Host Summary</b> panes alongside the <b>Processing Details</b> pane. This new layout allows you to view all the important information in the same page view without scrolling.</li></ul> |
| Reporting Enhancements        | You can now schedule and archive My Favorite Reports. You can also export My Favorite Reports data in CSV or PDF format.  |

| Feature   | Description  |
|---|--|
| Spam Notification Enhancements                      | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• You can now set an expiration period for the links in the Spam notification. These links will expire automatically after the specified period.</li> <li>• You can now show or hide the links to view all the quarantined messages in a Spam notification. Also, if you are showing the links in the spam notification, you can now force the end-user to authenticate before accessing the Spam quarantine.</li> </ul> <p>For more information, see the <b>Notifying End Users About Quarantined Messages</b> topic in the User Guide.</p>  |
| Security Enhancements                               | <p>AsyncOS 13.8.0 includes the following security enhancements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The appliance will no longer support SSLv2 and SSLv3 methods. When you upgrade from a lower AsyncOS version, the appliance will automatically use TLS 1.1 and TLS 1.2. For more information, see <b>SSL Configuration Changes</b> topic in the Release Notes.</li> <li>• The appliance will now send the Cisco Technical Support requests over TLS. If your SMTP server is not using TLS, the requests are sent as plaintext.</li> <li>• You can now configure your appliance to send alerts over TLS. Use the following subcommand in the CLI to configure this functionality: <b>alertconfig &gt; SETUP &gt; Do you want to enable TLS support to send alert messages?</b></li> </ul> |
| Cisco SecureX and Cisco Threat Response Enhancement | <p>You can now configure your appliance to connect to Cisco SecureX and Cisco Threat Response via a proxy. Check the <b>Use Proxy</b> check box in the <b>Network &gt; Cloud Service Settings</b> page to connect via a proxy.</p>   |

| Feature              | Description   |
|----------------------|---|
| YouTube Report (Web) | <p>In the new web interface (<b>URL Categories</b> report page), you can now view the following information related to the YouTube categorization feature:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Top Youtube Categories: Total Transactions</li> </ul> <p>You can view the top Youtube Categories that are being visited on the site in a graphical format.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Top Youtube Categories: Blocked and Warned Transactions</li> </ul> <p>You can view the top Youtube URL that triggered a block or warning action to occur per transaction in a graphical format. For example, a user went to a certain Youtube URL and because of a specific policy that is in place, this triggered a block action or a warning. This Youtube URL then gets listed in this graph as a transaction blocked or warning.</p> <p>To view the <b>URL Categories</b> report page, select <b>Web</b> from the <b>Product</b> drop-down and choose <b>Monitoring &gt; URL Categories</b> from the <b>Reports</b> drop-down.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Youtube Categories Matched</li> </ul> <p>The Youtube Categories Matched interactive table shows the disposition of transactions by Youtube category during the specified time range, plus bandwidth used and time spent in each category.</p> <p>To view the Youtube Categories Matched interactive table, choose <b>Web &gt; Reporting &gt; URL Categories</b>.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Youtube (YT) Category</li> </ul> <p>A new filter YT Category has been added under <b>Web &gt; Tracking</b>. To filter by a specific Youtube category, expand the Youtube Category section and select the Youtube categories that you want to view.</p> |

| Feature              | Description  |
|----------------------|--|
| IP Spoofing Profiles | <p>You can now configure Web Proxy IP Spoofing by creating an IP spoofing profile and adding it to the routing policies. When IP spoofing profile is used in a routing policy, the web proxy changes the source IP address to custom IP address defined in the IP spoofing profile.</p> <p>To create a new IP spoofing profile or modify an existing IP spoofing profile, choose <b>Web &gt; IP Spoofing Profiles</b>.</p> <p>To add IP spoofing profile in a routing policy, choose <b>Web &gt; Routing Policies</b>.</p> <p><b>Note</b> If you do not want to publish the Security Management Appliance IP Spoofing profiles to Web Security Appliance and overwrite the existing IP Spoofing profiles in the Web Security Appliance, follow the below steps:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Log into Security Management Appliance.</li> <li>2. Go to <b>Configuration Master &gt; IP Spoofing Profile</b>.</li> <li>3. Click <b>Edit Settings</b>.</li> <li>4. Set <b>Publish IP Spoofing Profiles to WSA</b> as <b>No</b>.</li> </ol> <p>The default option selected is <b>Yes</b>.</p> <p>For more information, see <i>User Guide for AsyncOS 12.5 for Cisco Web Security Appliances</i>.</p> |

## Cisco Content Security Management Overview

AsyncOS for Cisco Content Security Management incorporates the following features:

- **External Spam Quarantine:** Hold spam and suspected spam messages for end users, and allow end users and administrators to review messages that are flagged as spam before making a final determination.
- **Centralized Policy, Virus, and Outbreak Quarantines:** Provide a single interface for managing these quarantines and the messages quarantined in them from multiple Email Security appliances. Allows you to store quarantined messages behind the firewall.
- **Centralized reporting:** Run reports on aggregated data from multiple Email and Web Security appliances. The same reporting features available on individual appliances are available on Security Management appliances.
- **Centralized tracking:** Use a single interface to track email messages and web transactions that were processed by multiple Email and Web Security appliances.
- **Centralized Configuration Management for Web Security appliances:** For simplicity and consistency, manage policy definition and policy deployment for multiple Web Security appliances.



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**Note** The Security Management appliance is not involved in centralized email management, or ‘clustering’ of Email Security appliances.

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- **Centralized Upgrade Management:** You can simultaneously upgrade multiple Web Security appliances (WSAs) using a single Security Management Appliance (SMA).
- **Backup of data:** Back up the data on your Security Management appliance, including reporting and tracking data, quarantined messages, and lists of safe and blocked senders.

You can coordinate your security operations from a single Security Management appliance or spread the load across multiple appliances.





## CHAPTER 2

# Setup, Installation, and Basic Configuration

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## Solution Deployment Overview

To configure your Cisco Content Security Management appliance to provide service to your Cisco Content Security solution:

|               | On These Appliances       | Do This   | More Information  |
|---------------|---------------------------|---|---|
| <b>Step 1</b> | All appliances            | Ensure that your appliances meet the system requirements for the features you will use. If necessary, upgrade your appliances.  | See the <a href="#">SMA Compatibility Matrix</a> , on page 8. |
| <b>Step 2</b> | Email Security appliances | Before you introduce centralized services to your environment, configure all Email Security appliances to provide the security features you want, and verify that all features are working as expected on each appliance. | See the documentation for your Cisco Email Security release.  |
| <b>Step 3</b> | Web Security appliances   | Before you introduce centralized services to your environment, configure at least one Web Security appliance to provide the security features you want, and verify that all features are working as expected.             | See the AsyncOS for Cisco Web Security Appliances User Guide. |

|        | On These Appliances           | Do This   | More Information   |
|--------|-------------------------------|---|--|
| Step 4 | Security Management appliance | Set up the appliance and run the System Setup Wizard.       | See the <a href="#">Installation Planning</a> , on page 8, <a href="#">Preparing for Setup</a> , on page 9 and the <a href="#">Running the System Setup Wizard</a> , on page 16. |
| Step 5 | All appliances                | Configure each centralized service that you want to deploy. | Start with the <a href="#">Configuring Services on the Security Management Appliance</a> , on page 21.   |

## SMA Compatibility Matrix

For compatibility of your Security Management appliance with Email Security appliances and Web Security appliances, and for compatibility of configuration files when importing and publishing Web Security appliance configurations, see the Compatibility Matrix at

<http://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/support/security/content-security-management-appliance/products-release-notes-list.html>.

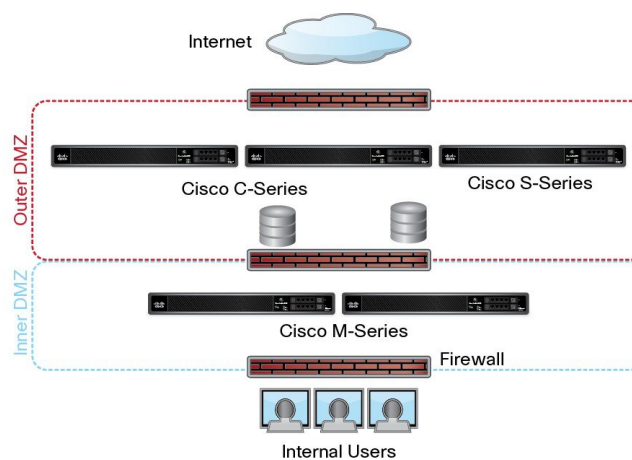
## Installation Planning

- [Network Planning](#) , on page 8
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## Network Planning

The Security Management appliance lets you separate end user applications from the more secure gateway systems residing in your demilitarized zones (DMZs). Using a two-layer firewall can provide flexibility in network planning so that end users do not connect directly to the outer DMZ .

**Figure 1: Typical Network Configuration Incorporating the Security Management appliance**



The following figure shows a typical network configuration incorporating the Security Management appliance and multiple DMZs. You deploy the Security Management appliance outside your DMZ, in your internal



networks. All connections are initiated by the Security Management appliances (M-Series) to the managed Email Security appliances (C-Series) and managed Web Security appliances (S-Series).

Corporate data centers can share a Security Management appliance to perform centralized reporting and message tracking for multiple Web and Email Security appliances, and centralized policy configuration for multiple Web Security appliances. The Security Management appliance can also be used as an external spam quarantine.

After you connect the Email Security appliance and the Web Security appliances to a Security Management appliance and properly configure all appliances, AsyncOS gathers and aggregates data from the managed appliances. From the aggregated data, reports can be generated and an overall view of email and web usage can be determined.

## About Integrating a Security Management Appliance with Email Security Appliances

Additional information about integrating the Security Management appliance with your Email Security appliances, see the “Centralizing Services on a Cisco Content Security Management Appliance” chapter in the user documentation or online help for your Email Security appliance.

## Deployments with Clustered Email Security Appliances

The Security Management appliance cannot be placed in a cluster of Email Security appliances that are using the email appliances’ centralized management feature. However, clustered Email Security appliances can deliver messages to the Security Management appliance for centralized reporting and tracking and to quarantine messages.

## Preparing for Setup

Before you run the System Setup Wizard:

### Procedure

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- Step 1** Review the latest release notes for your product. See [Network Planning](#) , on page 8.
  - Step 2** Verify that the components of your security solution are compatible. See the [SMA Compatibility Matrix](#), on page 8.
  - Step 3** Ensure that your network and physical space are ready to support this deployment. See [Installation Planning](#) , on page 8.
  - Step 4** Physically set up and connect the Security Management appliance. See [Physically Setting Up and Connecting the Appliance](#) , on page 10.
  - Step 5** Determine network and IP address assignments. See [Determining Network and IP Address Assignments](#), on page 10.
  - Step 6** Gather information about your system setup. See [Gathering the Setup Information](#), on page 10.
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## Physically Setting Up and Connecting the Appliance

Before you follow the procedures in this chapter, complete the steps described in the quick start guide that came with your appliance. In this guide, it is assumed that you have unpacked the appliance, physically installed it in a rack, and turned it on.

Before you can log in to the GUI, you need to set up a private connection between a PC and the Security Management appliance. For example, you can use the included crossover cable to connect directly from the Management port on the appliance to a laptop. Optionally, you can connect through an Ethernet connection between a PC and the network (for example, an Ethernet hub) and between the network and the Management port on the Security Management appliance.

## Determining Network and IP Address Assignments




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**Note** If you have already cabled your appliance to your network, ensure that the default IP address for the content security appliance does not conflict with other IP addresses on your network. The IP address that is pre-configured on the Management port of each appliance is 192.168.42.42.

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After setup, go to the **Management Appliance > Network > IP Interfaces** page on the main Security Management appliance to change the interface that the Security Management appliance uses.

You need the following network information about each Ethernet port that you choose to use:

- IP address
- Netmask

In addition, you need the following information about your overall network:

- IP address of the default router (gateway) on your network
- IP address and hostname of your DNS servers (not required if you want to use Internet root servers)
- Hostname or IP address of your NTP servers (not required if you want to manually set system time)

For more information, see [Assigning Network and IP Addresses, on page 565](#).




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**Note** If you are running a firewall on your network between the Internet and the content security appliance, it may be necessary to open specific ports for the appliance to work properly. For more information on firewalls, see [Firewall Information, on page 569](#)

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Always use the same IP address on the Security Management appliance for receiving and sending email messages to the Email Security appliances. For an explanation, see information about Mail Flow in the documentation for your Email Security appliance.

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Note that IPv6 is not supported for communication between the Cisco Content Security Management appliance and the appliances it manages.

## Gathering the Setup Information

Use the following table to gather information about system setup. You will need this information at hand while running the System Setup Wizard.



**Note** See the [Assigning Network and IP Addresses, on page 565](#) for detailed information about network and IP addresses.

The following table shows the system setup worksheet

|   |                        |         |  |
|---|------------------------|---------|--|
| 1 | Notifications          |         | Email address where system alerts are sent:                    |
| 2 | System Time            |         | NTP Server (IP address or hostname):                           |
| 3 | Admin Passphrase       |         | Choose a new passphrase for the “admin” account:               |
| 4 | AutoSupport            |         | Enable AutoSupport? ___ Yes ___ No                             |
| 5 | Hostname               |         | Fully qualified hostname of the Security Management appliance: |
| 6 | Interface / IP Address |         | IP address:  |
|   |                        |         | Netmask:   |
| 7 | Network                | Gateway | Default Gateway (router) IP address:                           |
|   |                        | DNS     | ___ Use the Internet’s root DNS servers                        |
|   |                        |         | ___ Use these DNS servers:                                     |

## Accessing the Security Management Appliance

The Security Management appliance has a standard web-based graphical user interface, a separate web-based interface for managing the spam quarantine, a command-line interface, and special or limited web interfaces for administrative users granted access to specific features and functionality.

- [Browser Requirements, on page 11](#)
- [About Accessing the Web Interfaces , on page 12](#)
- [Accessing the Legacy Web Interface, on page 14](#)
- [Accessing the Web Interface , on page 13](#)
- [Accessing the Command Line Interface, on page 14](#)
- [Supported Languages, on page 14](#)
- [Accessing the New Web Interface on Dark Mode, on page 15](#)

## Browser Requirements

To access the GUI, your browser must support and be enabled to accept JavaScript and cookies, and it must be able to render HTML pages containing Cascading Style Sheets (CSS).

**Table 2: Supported Browsers and Releases**

| Browser                     | Windows 7             | MacOS 10.6            |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Safari                      | —                     | 7.0 and later         |
| Google Chrome               | Latest Stable Version | Latest Stable Version |
| Microsoft Internet Explorer | 11.0                  | —                     |
| Mozilla Firefox             | Latest Stable Version | Latest Stable Version |

- Internet Explorer 11.0 (Windows 7 only)
- Safari (7 and later)
- Firefox (Latest Stable Version)
- Google Chrome (Latest Stable Version)

Browsers are supported only for operating systems officially supported by the browser.

You may need to configure your browser's pop-up blocking settings in order to use the GUI, because some buttons or links in the interface will cause additional windows to open.

For a seamless navigation and rendering of HTML pages, Cisco recommends using the following browsers to access the new web interface of the appliance (AsyncOS 12.0 and later):

- Google Chrome (Latest Stable Version)
- Mozilla Firefox (Latest Stable Version)

You can access the legacy web interface of the appliance on any of the supported browsers.

The supported resolution for the new web interface of the appliance (AsyncOS 12.0 and later) is between 1280x800 and 1680x1050. The best viewed resolution is 1440x900, for all the browsers.




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**Note** Cisco does not recommend viewing the new web interface of the appliance on higher resolutions.

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## About Accessing the Web Interfaces

The Security Management appliance has two web interfaces: the standard administrator interface, available by default on port 80, and the spam quarantine end user interface, available by default on port 82. The spam quarantine HTTPS interface defaults to port 83 when enabled.

Because you can specify HTTP or HTTPS when configuring each of the web interfaces (go to **Management Appliance > Network > IP Interfaces** on the Security Management appliance), you may be asked to reauthenticate if you switch between the two during your session. For example, if you access the admin web interface through HTTP on port 80 and then, in the same browser, access the spam quarantine end user web interface through HTTPS on port 83, you are asked to reauthenticate if you return to the admin web interface.



**Note** Do not perform any configuration changes simultaneously using:

- Multiple tabs on the same browser.
- Multiple browsers on the same system or two different systems.

Also, do not use concurrent web interface and CLI sessions as it may lead to unexpected behavior.

## Accessing the Web Interface

### Procedure

**Step 1** Open your web browser and enter the IP address or host name of your appliance.

**Step 2** [New Web Interface Only] You can access the new web interface in any one of the following ways:

**Note** The new web interface of your appliance uses AsyncOS API HTTP/HTTPS ports (6080/6443) and trailblazer HTTPS port (4431). You can use the `trailblazerconfig` command in the CLI to configure the trailblazer HTTPS ports. Make sure that the trailblazer HTTPS port is opened on the firewall.

- When `trailblazerconfig` CLI command is enabled, use the following URL -  
`https://example.com:<trailblazer-https-port>/ng-login`

where `example.com` is the appliance host name and `<trailblazer-https-port>` is the trailblazer HTTPS port configured on the appliance.

For more information on the `trailblazerconfig` CLI command, see [The trailblazerconfig Command, on page 491](#).

- When `trailblazerconfig` CLI command is disabled, use the following URL -  
`https://example.com:<https-port>/ng-login`

where `example.com` is the appliance host name and `<https-port>` is the HTTPS port configured on the appliance.

- Log in to the legacy web interface and click **Security Management appliance is getting a new look. Try it!!** link to access the new web interface.

- Important**
- Make sure that AsyncOS API is enabled on the appliance.
  - You must login to the legacy web interface of the appliance.
  - If `trailblazerconfig` is enabled, the configured HTTPS port must be opened on the firewall. The default HTTPS port is 4431.  
Also ensure that your DNS server can resolve the hostname that you specified for accessing the appliance.
  - If `trailblazerconfig` is disabled, the AsyncOS API ports configured in **Management Appliance > Network > IP Interfaces**, are opened on the firewall. The default AsyncOS API HTTP/HTTPS port is 6080/6443.

**Step 3** Enter the following default values:

- User name: `admin`
- Passphrase: `ironport`


**Note** This passphrase is NOT valid after you complete the System Setup Wizard, either using the web interface or the command-line interface.

## Accessing the Legacy Web Interface



**Note** You must login to the Security Management Appliance to access the legacy web interface. For more information, see [Accessing the Web Interface](#), on page 13

To enable and configure reporting, message tracking, quarantines, network access, and monitor system status, you must access the legacy web interface.

To access the legacy web interface from the new web interface, click on the gear icon  as shown in the following figure:

*Figure 2: Accessing the Legacy Web Interface from the*



The legacy web interface opens in a new browser window. You must log in again to access it.

If you want to log out of the appliance completely, you need to log out of both the new and legacy web interfaces of your appliance.

## Accessing the Command Line Interface

The command line interface, or CLI, is accessed on the Security Management appliance in the same way that the CLI is accessed on all Cisco Content Security appliances. There are, however, some differences:

- System setup must be performed through the GUI.
- Some CLI commands are not available on the Security Management appliance. For a list of which commands are not supported, see the IronPort AsyncOS CLI Reference Guide for Cisco Content Security Appliances.

For production deployments, you should use SSH to access the CLI. Use a standard SSH client to access the appliance on port 22. For lab deployments, you can also use telnet; however, this protocol is not encrypted.

## Supported Languages

With the appropriate license key, AsyncOS can display the GUI and CLI in any of the following languages:

- English

- French
- Spanish
- German
- Italian
- Korean
- Japanese
- Portuguese (Brazil)
- Chinese (traditional and simplified)
- Russian

To choose the GUI and default reporting language, do one of the following:

- Set the language preference. See [Setting Preferences](#), on page 513.
- Use the Options menu at the top right side of the GUI window to select the language for the session.

(The method that works depends on the method used to authenticate your login credentials.)

## Accessing the New Web Interface on Dark Mode

Dark Mode is a reversed color scheme that utilizes light-colored typography, UI elements, and iconography on dark backgrounds. You can now use dark mode on the new web interface of your appliance.

To switch to the dark mode web interface on your appliance, click on the user information section on the top right corner of the new web interface and select **Dark Mode**.

## Accessing the Security Management Appliance API Interface Using Swagger UI

Swagger UI allows you to visualize and interact with the API resources of your appliance. This is automatically generated from your API specifications. For more information, see <https://swagger.io/tools/swagger-ui/>.

You can log in to the Swagger UI on the new web interface of your Security Management appliance in any one of the following ways:

- Use the following URL - `https://example.com:<trailblazer-https-port>/swagger`

where `example.com` is the appliance host name and `<trailblazer-https-port>` is the trailblazer HTTPS port configured on the appliance.



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**Note** You must enable the trailblazer HTTPS port on the appliance to access the Swagger UI. For more information on the `trailblazerconfig` CLI command, see [The trailblazerconfig Command](#), on page 491.

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- Log in to the new web interface of your appliance. Click the **?** button on the upper-right corner and select **API Help: Swagger** from the drop-down. The Swagger UI opens in a new browser window.

# Running the System Setup Wizard

AsyncOS provides a browser-based System Setup Wizard to guide you through the process of system configuration. Later, you may want to take advantage of custom configuration options not available in the wizard. However, you must use the wizard for the initial setup to ensure a complete configuration.

The Security Management appliance supports this wizard via the GUI only. It does not support system setup through the command line interface (CLI).

- [Before You Begin](#) , on page 16
- [Overview of the System Setup Wizard](#) , on page 16

## Before You Begin

Complete all tasks in the [Preparing for Setup](#) , on page 9.



### Caution

The System Setup Wizard completely reconfigures the appliance. Only use the wizard when you initially install the appliance, or if you want to completely overwrite the existing configuration.

Be sure to connect the Security Management appliance to your network through the Management port.



### Caution

The Security Management appliance ships with a default IP address of 192.168.42.42 on the Management port. Before connecting the Security Management appliance to your network, ensure that no other device's IP address conflicts with the factory default setting.



### Note

By default, your session times out if you are idle for more than 30 minutes or if you close the browser without logging out. If this happens, you must reenter your user name and passphrase. If the session times out while you are running the System Setup Wizard, you need to start over from the beginning. To change the timeout limit, see [Configuring the Web UI Session Timeout](#), on page 425.

## Overview of the System Setup Wizard

### Procedure

- Step 1** [Launch the System Setup Wizard](#) , on page 17
- Step 2** [Review the End User License Agreement](#), on page 17
- Step 3** [Configure the System Settings](#), on page 17
  - Notification settings and AutoSupport
  - System time settings



- Admin passphrase

**Step 4** [Configure the Network Settings, on page 18](#)

- Hostname of the appliance
- IP address, network mask, and gateway of the appliance
- Default router and DNS settings

**Step 5** [Review Your Configuration, on page 19](#)

Proceed through the wizard pages, and carefully review your configuration at Step 4. You can return to a step by clicking **Previous**. At the end of the process, the wizard prompts you to commit the changes that you have made. Most changes do not take effect until you commit them.

**Step 6** [Proceeding to the Next Steps, on page 19](#)

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## Launch the System Setup Wizard

To launch the wizard, log in to the GUI as described in the [Accessing the Web Interface , on page 13](#). The first time you log in to the GUI, the initial page of the System Setup Wizard appears by default. You can also access the System Setup Wizard from the System Administration menu (Management Appliance > System Administration > System Setup Wizard).

## Review the End User License Agreement

Begin by reading the license agreement. After you have read and agreed to the license agreement, select the check box indicating that you agree, and then click Begin Setup to proceed.

## Configure the System Settings

### Entering an Email Address for System alertsAlerts

AsyncOS sends alert messages through email if there is a system error that requires your intervention. Enter the email address (or addresses) where the alerts are sent.

You need to add at least one email address for the system alerts. Separate multiple addresses with commas. The email addresses that you enter initially receive all types of alerts at all levels. You can customize the alert configuration later. For more information, see the [Managing Alerts, on page 472](#).

### Setting the Time

Set the time zone on the Security Management appliance so that timestamps in reports, message headers and log files are correct. Use the drop-down menus to locate your time zone or to define the time zone by GMT offset.

You can set the system clock time manually, but Cisco recommends using an Network Time Protocol (NTP) server to synchronize time with other servers on your network or the Internet. By default, the Cisco NTP server (time.sco.cisco.com) is added as an entry to synchronize the time on your content security appliance. Enter the hostname of the NTP server, and click Add Entry to configure an additional NTP server. For more information, see the [Configuring the System Time, on page 483](#).

## Setting the Passphrase

You must change the passphrase: adminpassphrase for the AsyncOS admin account. Keep the passphrase in a secure location. Changes to the passphrase take effect immediately.




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**Note** If you cancel the system setup after resetting the passphrase, your passphrase changes are not undone.

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## Enabling AutoSupport

The AutoSupport feature (enabled by default) notifies Customer Support about issues with the Security Management appliance so that they can provide optimal support. For more information, see the [Cisco AutoSupport, on page 474](#).

## Configure the Network Settings

Define the hostname of the machine and then configure the gateway and DNS settings.




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**Note** Verify that you have connected the Security Management appliance to your network through the Management port.

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## Network Settings

Enter the fully qualified hostname for the Security Management appliance. This name should be assigned by the network administrator.

Enter the IP address of the Security Management appliance.

Enter the network mask and IP address of the default deerrouter (gateway) on your network.

Next, configure the Domain Name Service (DNS) settings. AsyncOS contains a high-performance internal DNS resolver/cache that can query the Internet's root servers directly, or the system can use DNS servers that you specify. If you use your own servers, you need to supply the IP address of each DNS server. You can enter up to four DNS servers when you are using the System Setup Wizard.




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**Note** The DNS servers you specify have an initial priority of 0. For more information, see the [Configuring Domain Name System Settings, on page 479](#).

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**Note** The appliance requires access to a working DNS server to perform DNS lookups for incoming connections. If you cannot specify a working DNS server that is reachable by the appliance while you are setting up the appliance, you can select Use Internet Root DNS Servers, or else temporarily specify the IP address of the Management interface so that you can complete the System Setup Wizard.

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## Review Your Configuration

Now, the System Setup Wizard displays a summary of the setup information that you have entered. If you need to make any changes, click **Previous** at the bottom of the page and edit the information.

After you have reviewed the information, click **Install This Configuration**. Then click **Install** in the confirmation dialog box that appears.

If the page appears not to respond when you click **Install This Configuration**, this is because the appliance is now using the the new IP address that you specified in the wizard. To continue using the appliance, use the new IP address. If you followed the instructions in the Quick Start Guide to temporarily change the IP address of the computer you used to access your new hardware appliance, revert your computer's IP address to its original settings first.

## Proceeding to the Next Steps

After you install the Security Management appliance and run the System Setup Wizard, you can modify other settings on the appliance and configure the monitoring services.

Depending on the process you used to access the appliance in order to run the system setup wizard, the **System Setup Next Steps** page appears. If this page does not appear automatically, you can access it by choosing **Management Appliance > System Administration > Next Steps**.

Click on any of the links on the System Setup Next Steps page to proceed with the configuration of your Cisco Content Security appliances.

## About Adding Managed Appliances

You will add managed Email and Web Security appliances to the Security Management appliance when you configure the first centralized service for each appliance.

Supported Email and Web Security appliances are shown in the [SMA Compatibility Matrix, on page 8](#).

When you add a remote appliance, the Security Management appliance compares the product name of the remote appliance with the type of appliance you are adding. For example, you add an appliance using the Add Web Security appliance page, the Security Management appliance checks the product name of the remote appliance to make sure that it is a Web Security appliance and not an Email Security appliance. The Security Management appliance will also check the monitoring services on the remote appliances to make sure that they are correctly configured and compatible.

The Security Appliances page shows the managed appliances that you have added. The Connection Established? column shows whether or not the connection for monitoring services is properly configured.

Instructions for adding managed appliances are included in the following procedures:


- [Adding the Centralized Email Reporting Service to Each Managed Email Security Appliance](#) , on page 53
- [Adding the Centralized Message Tracking Service to Each Managed Email Security Appliance](#) , on page 250
- [Adding the Centralized Spam Quarantine Service to Each Managed Email Security Appliance](#) , on page 270
- [Adding the Centralized Policy, Virus, and Outbreak Quarantine Service to Each Managed Email Security Appliance](#), on page 304

- [Adding the Centralized Web Reporting Service to Each Managed Web Security Appliance](#) , on page 166
- [Adding Web Security Appliances and Associating Them with Configuration Master Versions](#) , on page 333

## Editing Managed Appliance Configurations

### Procedure

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- Step 1** [New Web Interface Only] On the Security Management appliance, click  to load the legacy web interface.
- Step 2** Choose **Management Appliance > Centralized Services > Security Appliances**.
- Step 3** In the Security Appliance section, click on the name of the appliance you want to edit.
- Step 4** Make the necessary changes to the appliance configuration.

For example, select or clear check boxes for monitoring services, reconfigure file transfer access, or change the IP address.

**Note** Changing the IP address of a managed appliance can cause several issues to occur. If you change the IP address of a Web Security appliance, the publish history for the appliance will be lost, and publishing errors will occur if the Web Security appliance is currently selected for a scheduled publish job. (This does not affect scheduled publish jobs that are set to use all assigned appliances.) If you change the IP address of an Email Security appliance, the tracking availability data for the appliance will be lost.

- Step 5** Click **Submit** to submit your changes on the page, then click Commit Changes to commit your changes.
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## Removing an Appliance from the List of Managed Appliances

### Before you begin

You may need to disable any enabled centralized services on the remote appliance before you can remove that appliance from the Security Management appliance. For example, if the Centralized Policy, Virus, and Outbreak Quarantine service is enabled, you must disable that service first on the Email Security appliance. See the documentation for your email or web security appliance.

### Procedure

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- Step 1** [New Web Interface Only] On the Security Management appliance, click  to load the legacy web interface.
- Step 2** Choose **Management Appliance > Centralized Services > Security Appliances**.
- Step 3** In the Security Appliances section, and click the trash can icon in the row for the managed appliance that you want to delete.
- Step 4** In the confirmation dialog box, click **Delete**.

**Step 5** Submit and commit your changes.

## Configuring Services on the Security Management Appliance

Email security services:

- [Using Centralized Email Security Reporting, on page 49](#)
- [Tracking Messages, on page 247](#)
- [Spam Quarantine, on page 265](#)
- [Centralized Policy, Virus, and Outbreak Quarantines, on page 299](#)

Web security services:

- [Centralized Policy, Virus, and Outbreak Quarantines, on page 299](#)
- [Managing Web Security Appliances, on page 327](#)

## Committing and Abandoning Configuration Changes

After you make most configuration changes in the Cisco Content Security appliance GUI, you must explicitly commit the changes.

**Figure 3: The Commit Changes Button**



| To                          | Do This  |
|-----------------------------|--|
| Commit all pending changes  | Click the orange Commit Changes button at the top right side of the window. Add a description of the changes and then click commit. If you have not made any changes that require a commit, then a gray No Changes Pending button appears instead of Commit Changes. |
| Abandon all pending changes | Click the orange Commit Changes button at the top right side of the window, then click Abandon Changes.  |



**Note** The configuration changes made on the old web interface is updated on the new web interface, after you logout and login to the new Cisco Content Security Management web interface.

### Related Topic

- [Rolling Back to a Previously Committed Configuration , on page 489](#)





# CHAPTER 3

## Working With Reports

This chapter contains the following sections:

- [Ways to View Reporting Data](#) , on page 23
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- [Customizing Your View of Report Data](#) , on page 25
- [Viewing Details of Messages or Transactions Included in Reports](#) , on page 29
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## Ways to View Reporting Data

*Table 3: Ways To View Reporting Data*

| To   | See   |
|--|---|
| View and customize web-based interactive report pages  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <a href="#">Customizing Your View of Report Data</a> , on page 25</li><li>• <a href="#">Using Centralized Email Security Reporting</a>, on page 49</li><li>• <a href="#">Centralized Policy, Virus, and Outbreak Quarantines</a>, on page 299</li></ul> |
| Automatically generate recurring PDF or CSV reports    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <a href="#">Scheduling Email Reports</a>, on page 151</li><li>• <a href="#">Scheduling Web Reports</a> , on page 223</li></ul>  |
| Generate a PDF or CSV report on demand                 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <a href="#">Generating Email Reports On Demand</a> , on page 153</li><li>• <a href="#">Generating Web Reports on Demand</a> , on page 226</li></ul>   |
| Export raw data as a CSV (Comma-separated values) file | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <a href="#">Exporting Reporting and Tracking Data</a> , on page 31</li><li>• <a href="#">Exporting Report Data as a Comma Separated Values (CSV) File</a> , on page 32</li></ul>  |

| To  | See   |
|---|---|
| Generate a PDF of report data                         | <a href="#">Exporting Reporting and Tracking Data</a> , on page 31  |
| Email report information to yourself and other people | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Generating Email Reports On Demand</a> , on page 153</li> <li>• <a href="#">Scheduling Email Reports</a>, on page 151</li> <li>• <a href="#">Generating Web Reports on Demand</a> , on page 226</li> <li>• <a href="#">Scheduling Web Reports</a> , on page 223</li> </ul> |
| Find information about specific transactions          | <a href="#">Viewing Details of Messages or Transactions Included in Reports</a> , on page 29  |



**Note** For differences between logging and reporting, see [Logging Versus Reporting](#), on page 517.

## How the Security Management Appliance Gathers Data for Reports

The Security Management appliance pulls data for all reports from all managed appliances approximately every 15 minutes and aggregates the data from these appliances. Depending on your appliance, it may take awhile for a particular message to be included in the reporting data on the Security Management appliance. Check the **System Status** page for information on your data.

Reporting Data includes transactions involving both IPv4 and IPv6.



**Note** When gathering data for reports, the Security Management appliance applies the timestamp from the information that was set when you configured the time settings on the Security Management appliance. For information on setting the time on your Security Management appliance, see the [Configuring the System Time](#), on page 483.

## How Reporting Data is Stored

All of the appliances store reporting data. The following table shows what time periods that each appliance stores data.

**Table 4: Reporting Data Storage on the Email and Web Security Appliances**

|   | Minute | Hourly | Daily | Weekly | Monthly | Yearly |
|---|--------|--------|-------|--------|---------|--------|
| <b>Local Reporting on</b> Email Security appliance <b>or</b> Web Security appliance       | •      | •      | •     | •      | •       |        |
| <b>Centralized Reporting on</b> Email Security appliance <b>or</b> Web Security appliance | •      | •      | •     | •      |         |        |
| Security Management appliance   |        | •      | •     | •      | •       | •      |



## About Reporting and Upgrades

New reporting features may not apply to transactions that occurred before upgrade, because the required data may not have been retained for those transactions. For possible limitations related to reporting data and upgrades, see the Release Notes for your release.

## Customizing Your View of Report Data

When viewing report data in the web interface, you can customize your view.

| To  | Do This  |
|---|--|
| View data per appliance or reporting group                      | <a href="#">Viewing Reporting Data for an Appliance or Reporting Group, on page 25</a>   |
| Specify a time range  | <a href="#">Choosing a Time Range for Reports , on page 26</a>   |
| (For Web reports) Choose which data to chart                    | <a href="#">(Web Reports Only) Choosing Which Data to Chart , on page 26</a>   |
| Customize tables  | See <a href="#">Customizing Tables on Report Pages , on page 27</a>  |
| Search for specific information or a subset of data to view     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• For Email reports, <a href="#">Searching and the Interactive Email Report Pages , on page 55.</a></li> <li>• For Web reports, look for a Find or Filter option at the bottom of most tables.</li> <li>• Some tables include links (in blue text) to details for aggregated data.</li> </ul> |
| Specify report-related preferences                              | See <a href="#">Setting Preferences , on page 513</a>  |
| Create a custom report with only the charts and tables you want | See <a href="#">Custom Reports , on page 27.</a>   |




**Note** Not all customization features are available for every report.

## Viewing Reporting Data for an Appliance or Reporting Group

For Mail Flow Summary and System Capacity reports for Email, you can view data from all appliances, or from any one centrally-managed appliance.

For Email reports, if you have created groups of Email Security appliances as described in [Creating Email Reporting Groups, on page 52](#), you can view the data for each reporting group.

To specify the view, select an appliance or group from the **View Data For** list on supported pages.

If you are viewing report data on the Security Management appliance to which you have recently taken backup from another Security Management appliance, you must first add (but do not establish a connection to) each appliance in  > **Management Appliance** > **Centralized Services** > **Security Appliances**.

## Choosing a Time Range for Reports

Most predefined report pages allow you to choose a Time Range for the data to include. The time range that you select is used for all of the report pages until you select a different value in the Time Range menu.

Available Time Range options differ by appliance and differ for Email and Web reporting on the Security Management appliance:




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**Note** Time ranges on report pages are displayed as a Greenwich Mean Time (GMT) offset. For example, Pacific time is GMT + 7 hours (GMT + 07:00).

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**Note** All reports display date and time information based on the systems configured time zone, shown as a Greenwich Mean Time (GMT) offset. However, data exports display the time in GMT to accommodate multiple systems in multiple time zones around the world.

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**Tip** You can specify a default time range that will always display each time you log in. For information, see [Setting Preferences](#), on page 513.

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## (Web Reports Only) Choosing Which Data to Chart

The default charts on each Web Reporting page display commonly-referenced data, but you can choose to chart different data instead. If a page has multiple charts, you can change each chart.

Generally, the chart options are the same as the columns of the table in the report. However, some columns cannot be charted.

Charts reflect all available data in a table column, regardless of the number of items (rows) you choose to display in the associated table.

### Procedure

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- Step 1** Click the **Chart Options** link below a chart.
  - Step 2** Choose the data to display.
  - Step 3** Click **Done**.
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## Customizing Tables on Report Pages

Table 5: Customizing Tables on Web Report Pages

| To   | Do This   | More Information  |
|--|---|---|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Show additional columns</li> <li>Hide visible columns</li> <li>Determine available columns for a table</li> </ul> | Click the <b>Columns</b> link below the table, select the columns to display, then click <b>Done</b> .          | For most tables, some columns are hidden by default.<br>Each each report page offers different columns.<br>See also <a href="#">Table Column Descriptions for Email Reporting Pages</a> , on page 60. |
| Reorder table columns  | Drag a column heading to the desired new position   | —   |
| Sort the table by the heading of your choice.  | Click a column heading.   | —   |
| Display more or fewer rows of data   | From the <b>Items Displayed</b> drop-down list at the top right of a table, choose a number of rows to display. | For Web reports, you can also set a preference for a default number of rows to display; see <a href="#">Setting Preferences</a> , on page 513.  |
| View details about a table entry, where available  | Click a blue entry in the table   | See also <a href="#">Viewing Details of Messages or Transactions Included in Reports</a> , on page 29.  |
| Narrow the pool of data to a specific subset   | Choose or enter a value in the filter setting below the table, where available                                  | For Web reports, available filters are discussed on each individual report page description. See <a href="#">Web Reporting Page Descriptions</a> , on page 168.                                       |

## Custom Reports

You can create a custom email security report page by assembling charts (graphs) and tables from existing report pages.



**Note** On Email Security appliances, starting in release 9.6, “My Reports” is called “My Dashboard”.

| To                                     | Do This   |
|--|---|
| Add modules to your custom report page | See: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><a href="#">Modules That Cannot Be Added to Custom Reports</a></li> <li><a href="#">Creating Your Custom Report Page</a>, on page 28</li> </ul> |

| To  | Do This   |
|---|---|
| View your custom report page                              | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Choose Email &gt; Reporting &gt; My Reports.</li> <li>2. Select the time range to view. The time range selected applies to all reports, including all modules on the My Reports page.</li> </ol> <p>Newly-added modules appear at the top of the custom report.</p> |
| Rearrange modules on your custom report page              | Drag and drop modules into the desired location.  |
| Delete modules from your custom report page               | Click the [X] in the top right corner of the module.  |
| Generate a CSV version of your custom report              | See: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Generating Email Reports On Demand</a> , on page 153</li> <li>• <a href="#">Generating Web Reports on Demand</a> , on page 226</li> </ul>   |
| Periodically generate a CSV version of your custom report | See: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Scheduling Email Reports</a>, on page 151</li> <li>• <a href="#">Scheduling Web Reports</a> , on page 223</li> </ul>  |

## Modules That Cannot Be Added to Custom Reports

- All modules on the **Management Appliance > Centralized Services > System Status** page
- All modules on the **Email > Reporting > Reporting Data Availability** page
- All modules on the **Email > Message Tracking > Message Tracking Data Availability** page
- The following per-domain modules from the Sender Profile detail report page: Current Information from SenderBase, Sender Group Information, and Network Information
- The **Past Year Virus Outbreak Summary** chart and **Past Year Virus Outbreaks** table on the Outbreak Filters report page

## Creating Your Custom Report Page

### Before you begin

- Ensure that the modules that you want to add can be added. See [Modules That Cannot Be Added to Custom Reports](#) .
- Delete any default modules that you do not need by clicking the [X] in the top right corner of the module.

### Procedure

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**Step 1** Use one of the following methods to add a module to your custom report page:

**Note** Some modules are available only using one of these methods. If you cannot add a module using one method, try another method.

- Navigate to the report page under the Email tab that has the module that you want to add, then click the [+] button at the top of the module.
- Go to Email > Reporting > My Reports and click on the [+] Report Module button at the top of one of the sections, then select the report module that you want to add. You may need to click the + button in each section on the My Reports page in order to find the module that you are looking for.

You can add each module only once; if you have already added a particular module to your report, the option to add it will not be available.

**Step 2** If you add a module that you have customized (for example, by adding, deleting, or reordering columns, or by displaying non-default data in the chart), customize the modules on the My Reports page.

Modules are added with default settings. Time range of the original module is not maintained.

**Step 3** If you add a chart that includes a separate legend (for example, a graph from the Overview page), add the legend separately. If necessary, drag and drop it into position beside the data it describes.

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## Viewing Details of Messages or Transactions Included in Reports

### Procedure

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**Step 1** Click any blue number in a table on a report page.

(Not all tables have these links.)

The messages or transactions included in that number are displayed in Message Tracking or Web Tracking, respectively.

**Step 2** Scroll down to see the list of messages or transactions.

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### What to do next

- [Tracking Messages, on page 247](#)

# Improving Performance of Email Reports

If the performance of aggregated reporting decreases due to a large number of unique entries over the course of a month, use reporting filters to restrict the aggregation of data in reports that cover the previous year (Last Year reports). These filters can restrict detailed, individual IP, domain, or user data in reports. Overview reports and summary information remain available for all reports.

You can enable one or more of the reporting filters using the **reportingconfig > filters** menu in the CLI. The changes must be committed to take effect.

- **IP Connection Level Detail.** Enabling this filter prevents the Security Management appliance from recording information about individual IP addresses. This filter is appropriate for systems that process a large number of incoming IP addresses due to attacks.

This filter affects the following Last Year reports:

- Sender Profile for Incoming Mail
- IP Addresses for Incoming Mail
- IP Addresses for Outgoing Senders

- **User Detail.** Enabling this filter prevents the Security Management appliance from recording information about individual users sending and receiving mail and the content filters that are applied to the users' mail. This filter is appropriate for appliances that process mail for millions of internal users or if the system does not validate recipient addresses.

This filter affects the following Last Year reports:

- Internal Users
- Internal User Details
- IP Addresses for Outgoing Senders
- Content Filters

- **Mail Traffic Detail.** Enabling this filter prevents the Security Management appliance from recording information about individual domains and networks that the appliances monitor. This filter is appropriate when the number of valid incoming or outgoing domains is measured in the tens of millions.

This filter affects the following Last Year reports:

- Domains for Incoming Mail
- Sender Profile for Incoming Mail
- Internal User Details
- Domains for Outgoing Senders



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**Note**

To view up-to-the-minute reporting data for the preceding hour, you must log in to an individual appliance and view the data there.

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# Exporting Reporting and Tracking Data

Table 6: Exporting Reporting and Tracking Data on the New Web Interface

| To Get This  | CSV | Do This   | Notes  |
|--|-----|---|--|
| Raw data<br>See also <a href="#">Exporting Report Data as a Comma Separated Values (CSV) File</a> , on page 32 | •   | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Click <b>Export</b> link on the top of a report page.</li> <li>2. Select <b>CSV</b> as the required format.</li> <li>3. Select the required report module that you want to export and click <b>Download</b>.</li> </ol> | The CSV file contains all applicable data, including the data visible in the chart or table.   |
|  | •   | <p>Create a scheduled or on-demand report. See:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Generating Email Reports On Demand</a> , on page 153</li> <li>• <a href="#">Scheduling Email Reports</a>, on page 151</li> </ul>                         | <p>Each CSV file may contain up to 100 rows.</p> <p>If a report contains more than one table, a separate CSV file is created for each table.</p> <p>Some extended reports are not available in CSV format.</p> |
| A PDF of an interactive report page  | •   | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Click <b>Export</b> link on the top of a report page.</li> <li>2. Select <b>PDF</b> as the required format.</li> <li>3. Select the required report module that you want to export and click <b>Download</b>.</li> </ol> | <p>The PDF reflects the customizations that you are currently viewing.</p> <p>PDFs are formatted to be printer-friendly.</p>   |
| A PDF of report data   | •   | <p>Create a scheduled or on-demand report. See:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Generating Email Reports On Demand</a> , on page 153</li> <li>• <a href="#">Scheduling Email Reports</a>, on page 151</li> </ul>                         | -  |

| To Get This  | CSV | Do This  | Notes  |
|--|-----|--|--|
| (Web Security) A custom subset of report data, for example data for a particular user. | •   | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Select <b>Web</b> from the Product drop-down and choose <b>Tracking &gt; Web Tracking</b>.</li> <li>2. Perform a search and click the <b>Export</b> link or <b>Export All</b> link above the search results</li> </ol>       | CSV files include all raw data matching the search criteria.   |
| (Email Security) A custom subset of data, for example data for a particular user.      | •   | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Select <b>Email</b> from the Product drop-down and choose <b>Tracking &gt; Message Tracking</b>.</li> <li>2. Perform a search and click the <b>Export</b> link or <b>Export All</b> link above the search results</li> </ol> | <p>The Export link downloads a CSV file with the displayed search results, up to the limit you specified in your search criteria.</p> <p>The Export All link downloads a CSV file with up to 50,000 messages that match your search criteria.</p> <p>Tip: If you need to export more than 50,000 messages, perform a series of exports for a set of shorter time ranges.</p> |

## Exporting Report Data as a Comma Separated Values (CSV) File

You can export raw data to a comma-separated values (CSV) file, which you can access and manipulate using database applications such as Microsoft Excel. For different ways to export data, see [Exporting Reporting and Tracking Data](#), on page 31.

Because CSV exports include only raw data, exported data from a web-based report page may not include calculated data such as percentages, even if that data appears in the web-based report.

For email message tracking and reporting data, the exported CSV data will display all data in GMT regardless of what is set on the Security Management appliance. This simplifies using data independently from the appliance, particularly when referencing data from appliances in multiple time zones.

The following example is an entry from a raw data export of the Anti-Malware category report, where Pacific Daylight Time (PDT) is displayed as GMT - 7 hours:

Begin Timestamp, End Timestamp, Begin Date, End Date, Name, Transactions Monitored, Transactions Blocked, Transactions Detected

1159772400.0, 1159858799.0, 2006-10-02 07:00 GMT, 2006-10-03 06:59 GMT, Adware, 525, 2100, 2625



Table 7: Viewing Raw Data Entries

| Category Header        | Value                | Description  |
|------------------------|----------------------|--|
| Begin Timestamp        | 1159772400.0         | Query start time in number of seconds from epoch.  |
| End Timestamp          | 1159858799.0         | Query end time in number of seconds from epoch.  |
| Begin Date             | 2006-10-02 07:00 GMT | Date the query began.  |
| End Date               | 2006-10-03 06:59 GMT | Date the query ended.  |
| Name                   | Adware               | Name of the malware category.  |
| Transactions Monitored | 525                  | Number of transactions monitored.  |
| Transactions Blocked   | 2100                 | Number of transactions blocked.  |
| Transactions Detected  | 2625                 | Total number of transactions:<br>Number of transactions detected + Number of transactions blocked. |



**Note** Category headers are different for each type of report. If you export localized CSV data, the headings may not be rendered properly in some browsers. This occurs because some browsers may not use the proper character set for the localized text. To work around this problem, you can save the file to your local machine, and open the file on any web browser using **File > Open**. When you open the file, select the character set to display the localized text.

## Subdomains vs. Second Level Domains in Reporting and Tracking

In reporting and tracking searches, second-level domains (regional domains listed at <http://george.surbl.org/two-level-tlds>) are treated differently from subdomains, even though the two domain types may appear to be the same. For example:

- Reports will not include results for a two-level domain such as co.uk , but will include results for foo.co.uk . Reports include subdomains under the main corporate domain, such as cisco.com .
- Tracking search results for the regional domain co.uk will not include domains such as foo.co.uk , while search results for cisco.com will include subdomains such as subdomain.cisco.com .

## Troubleshooting All Reports

- [Unable to View Report Data on Backup Security Management Appliance , on page 34](#)
- [Reporting Is Disabled, on page 34](#)

## Unable to View Report Data on Backup Security Management Appliance

### Problem

You are unable to select a single Email Security appliance for which to view report data. The **View Data For** option does not appear on the reporting page.

### Solution

See also [Availability of Services During Backups](#) , on page 452.

## Reporting Is Disabled

### Problem

Canceling a backup in progress can disable reporting.

### Solution

Reporting functionality will be restored after a backup is completed.

## Email and Web Reports

For information specific to Email reports, see [Using Centralized Email Security Reporting](#), on page 49.

For information specific to Web reports, see [Using Centralized Web Reporting and Tracking](#), on page 163.



# CHAPTER 4

## Working With Reports on the New Web Interface

This chapter contains the following sections:

- [Ways to View Reporting Data](#) , on page 35
- [How the Security Management Appliance Gathers Data for Reports](#), on page 36
- [Using the Interactive Report Pages](#), on page 37
- [Customizing Your View of Report Data](#) , on page 38
- [My Favorite Reports Page](#), on page 41
- [Viewing Details of Messages or Transactions Included in Reports](#) , on page 43
- [Improving Performance of Email Reports](#) , on page 43
- [Exporting Reporting and Tracking Data](#) , on page 45
- [Troubleshooting All Reports](#) , on page 47

### Ways to View Reporting Data

The following table shows the different ways to view reporting data:

**Table 8: Ways To View Reporting Data**

| To   | See   |
|--|---|
| View and customize web-based interactive report pages  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Using the Interactive Report Pages</a>, on page 37</li> <li>• <a href="#">Customizing Your View of Report Data</a> , on page 38</li> <li>• <a href="#">Using Centralized Email Security Reporting</a>, on page 49</li> </ul> |
| Automatically generate recurring CSV reports           | <a href="#">Scheduling Email Reports</a> , on page 151  |
| Generate a CSV report on demand                        | <a href="#">Generating Email Reports On Demand</a> , on page 153  |
| Export raw data as a CSV (Comma-separated values) file | <a href="#">Exporting Reporting and Tracking Data</a> , on page 31<br><a href="#">Exporting Report Data as a Comma Separated Values (CSV) File</a> , on page 32   |

| To  | See   |
|---|---|
| Email report information to yourself and other people | <a href="#">Scheduling Email Reports, on page 151</a><br><a href="#">Generating Email Reports On Demand , on page 153</a> |
| Find information about specific transactions          | <a href="#">Viewing Details of Messages or Transactions Included in Reports , on page 29</a>                              |



**Note** For differences between logging and reporting, see [Logging Versus Reporting, on page 517](#).

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The Security Management appliance pulls data for all reports from all managed appliances approximately every 15 minutes and aggregates the data from these appliances. Depending on your appliance, it may take awhile for a particular message to be included in the reporting data on the Security Management appliance. Check the **System Status** page for information on your data.

Reporting Data includes transactions involving both IPv4 and IPv6.



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All of the appliances store reporting data. The following table shows what time periods that each appliance stores data.

**Table 9: Reporting Data Storage on the Email Security Appliances**

|  | Minute | Hourly | Daily | Weekly | Monthly | Yearly |
|--|--------|--------|-------|--------|---------|--------|
| <b>Local Reporting on</b> Email Security appliance       | •      | •      | •     | •      | •       |        |
| <b>Centralized Reporting on</b> Email Security appliance | •      | •      | •     | •      |         |        |
| Security Management appliance                            |        | •      | •     | •      | •       | •      |

## About Reporting and Upgrades

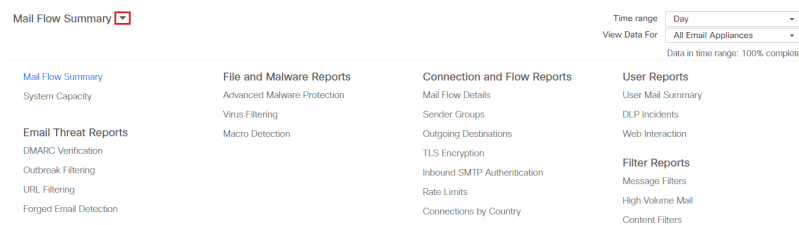
New reporting features may not apply to transactions that occurred before upgrade, because the required data may not have been retained for those transactions. For possible limitations related to reporting data and upgrades, see the Release Notes for your release.

## Using the Interactive Report Pages

You can use the **Product** drop-down on the top of the web interface to switch between the Email Security appliance and Web Security appliance.

You can view the reports for the Email and Web Security appliances using the **Reports** drop-down as shown in the following figure:

**Figure 4: Reports Drop-down**



**Note** The Mail Flow Summary report page is the landing page (the page displayed after login).

You can use the **Reporting** drop-down to view your email and web reports as categorized in the following table:

| Email Security Appliance  | Web Security Appliance  |
|---|---|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Email Threat Reports</li> <li>• File and Malware Reports</li> <li>• Connection and Flow Reports</li> <li>• User Reports</li> <li>• Filter Reports</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• General Reports</li> <li>• Threat Reports</li> </ul> |

### Related Topics

- [Customizing Your View of Report Data](#) , on page 38
- [Customizing Tables on Report Pages](#) , on page 40
- [\(Web Reports Only\) Choosing Which Data to Chart](#), on page 39

## Customizing Your View of Report Data

You can customize your view while viewing the report data in the web interface.

| To  | Do This  |
|---|--|
| Specify a time range  | See <a href="#">Choosing a Time Range for Reports</a> , on page 26.  |
| View data per appliance or reporting group                      | See <a href="#">Viewing Reporting Data for an Appliance or Reporting Group</a> , on page 25  |
| (For Web reports) Choose which data to chart                    | See <a href="#">(Web Reports Only) Choosing Which Data to Chart</a> , on page 39   |
| Customize tables  | See <a href="#">Customizing Tables on Report Pages</a> , on page 40  |
| (Email Reports Only) Customize views                            | See <a href="#">(Email Reports Only) Customizing Views on Report Pages</a> , on page 40  |
| Using Counters to Filter Data on Trend Graph                    | See <a href="#">Using Counters to Filter Data on the Trend Graphs</a> , on page 41   |
| Specify report-related preferences                              | See <a href="#">Setting Preferences</a> , on page 513  |
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| Create a custom report with only the charts and tables you want | See <a href="#">My Favorite Reports Page</a> , on page 41.   |




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Generally, the chart options are the same as the columns of the table in the report. However, some columns cannot be charted.

Charts reflect all available data in a table column, regardless of the number of items (rows) you choose to display in the associated table.




### Procedure

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- Step 1** Click  on a specific chart.
- Step 2** Choose the required data to be displayed. The preview of the chart is displayed as per the selected options.
- Step 3** Click **Apply**.
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## (Email Reports Only) Customizing Views on Report Pages

Most report pages allow you to choose between graphical view, tabular view or combined view. The view that you select is used to show the data on the report pages.


**Table 10: Customizing Views on Email Reporting Pages**

| To  | Do This   |
|---|---|
| Show data in graph view.                          | Click  to view data in graphical format.             |
| Show data in table view.                          | Click  to view data in tabular format.               |
| View details about a table entry, where available | Click a blue entry in the table.  |
| Show data in combined view.                       | Click  to view data in graphical and tabular format. |

## Customizing Tables on Report Pages

You can view, customize and sort information on the interactive tables within the report pages. The view that you select is used to show the data on the report pages.

**Table 11: Customizing Tables on Report Pages**

| To   | Do This  | More Information  |
|--|--|---|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Show additional columns</li> <li>Hide visible columns</li> <li>Determine available columns for a table</li> </ul> | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Click .</li> <li>Select the columns to display, and click <b>Close</b>.</li> </ol> | <p>For most tables, some columns are hidden by default.</p> <p>Each report page offers different columns.</p> <p>See the table column descriptions for the respective tables.</p> |
| Sort the table by the heading of your choice.  | Click a column heading.  | -   |
| Reorder table columns  | Drag a column heading to the desired new position  | -   |
| View details about a table entry, where available  | Click a blue entry in the table  | See also <a href="#">Viewing Details of Messages or Transactions Included in Reports</a> , on page 29.  |
| View details of additional rows.   | You can scroll down on a table to display details of additional rows.  | -   |



| To                                  | Do This   | More Information   |
|-------------------------------------|---|--|
| Filtering data to a specific subset | Enter a value in the filter setting below a specific table, where available | For Web reports, available filters are discussed on each individual report page description. See <a href="#">Understanding the Web Reporting Pages on the New Web Interface</a> , on page 196. |

## Using Counters to Filter Data on the Trend Graphs

You can filter data based on the required time range and available counters on a trend graph.


The time range that you select in the Time Range drop-down, is used for a trend graph until you select a different value.

A counters on a trend graph of the Mail Flow Summary report page is used to view data specific to different filters. Click on an available counter to filter the data.

## My Favorite Reports Page

On the My Favorite Reports page, you can create a custom report page by assembling charts (graphs) and tables from all your existing email security reports.

| To                                      | Do This   |
|---|---|
| Add modules to My Favorite Reports page | See: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Modules That Cannot Be Added to the My Favorite Reports Page</a>, on page 42</li> <li>• <a href="#">Adding Reports on the My Favorite Reports Page</a>, on page 42</li> </ul>   |
| View My Favorite Reports page           | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Select <b>Email</b> from the Product drop-down and choose <b>Monitoring &gt; My Favorite Reports</b> from the Reports drop-down. For more information, see <a href="#">Using the Interactive Report Pages</a>, on page 37.</li> <li>2. Select the time range to view. The time range selected applies to all reports, including all modules on the My Favorite Reports page.</li> </ol> <p>Newly-added modules appear at the top of the custom report.</p> <p><b>Note</b> The report modules that you add on the My Favorite Reports page of the new web interface differs from the report modules added on the legacy web interface. It can also differ based on the User roles that you assign.</p> |


| To  | Do This  |
|---|--|
| Rearrange modules on the My Favorite Reports page | On the My Favorite Reports page, drag and drop the modules into the desired location.  |
| Delete modules from the My Favorite Reports page  | <p>You can delete the report modules from the My Favorite Reports page in any one of the following ways:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Click the  in the top right corner of the required report module.</li> <li>• Go to the <b>Monitoring &gt; My Favorite Reports</b> page and select <b>Manage Favorites</b> to remove the required report module.</li> </ul> |

## Modules That Cannot Be Added to the My Favorite Reports Page

- All modules on the System Status page.
- All modules on the Reporting Data Availability page.
- All modules on the Message Tracking Data Availability page.
- The following per-domain modules from the Sender Profile detail report page: Current Information from SenderBase, Sender Group Information, and Network Information.
- The Past Year Virus Outbreak Summary chart and Past Year Virus Outbreaks table on the Outbreak Filters report page.

## Adding Reports on the My Favorite Reports Page

### Before you begin


- Ensure that the modules that you want to add can be added. See [Modules That Cannot Be Added to the My Favorite Reports Page, on page 42](#).
- Click  on the top right corner of a module to delete any default modules that you do not need.

### Procedure

#### Step 1

You can add a report module on the **My Favorite Reports** page in any one of the following ways:

**Note** Some modules are available only using one of these methods. If you cannot add a module using one method, try another method.

- Go to any report page under the **Reports** drop-down and click  on the top of the report module.
- From the **Reports** drop-down, choose **My Favorite Reports**, and then click **Manage Favorites**.

The report modules are listed as per the tables and charts on email report pages. Select the required report modules and click **Add** to add to the My Favorite Reports page. If you do not want any reports to be displayed on the My Favorite Report page, select the report module and click **Remove**.

You can add each module only once; if you have already added a particular module to your report, the option to add it will not be available.

**Note** You can add a maximum of 10 report modules on the My Favorite Reports page.

**Step 2** If you add a report module that you have customized (for example, by adding, deleting, or reordering columns, or by displaying non-default data in the chart), customize the modules on the My Favorite Reports page.

Modules are added with default settings. Time range of the original module is not maintained.

**Step 3** If you add a chart that includes a separate legend (for example, a graph from the Mail Flow Summary page), add the legend separately. If necessary, drag and drop it into position beside the data it describes.



**Note** You can export or download the **My Favorite Reports** page as a PDF. For more information, see [Exporting Reporting and Tracking Data](#).

## Viewing Details of Messages or Transactions Included in Reports

### Procedure

**Step 1** Click any blue number in a table on a report page.

(Not all tables have these links.)

The messages or transactions included in that number are displayed in Message Tracking or Web Tracking, respectively.

**Step 2** Scroll down to see the list of messages or transactions.

### What to do next

- [Tracking Messages, on page 247](#)

## Improving Performance of Email Reports

If the performance of aggregated reporting decreases due to a large number of unique entries over the course of a month, use reporting filters to restrict the aggregation of data in reports that cover the previous year (Last

Year reports). These filters can restrict detailed, individual IP, domain, or user data in reports. Overview reports and summary information remain available for all reports.

You can enable one or more of the reporting filters using the **reportingconfig > filters** menu in the CLI. The changes must be committed to take effect.

- **IP Connection Level Detail.** Enabling this filter prevents the Security Management appliance from recording information about individual IP addresses. This filter is appropriate for systems that process a large number of incoming IP addresses due to attacks.

This filter affects the following Last Year reports:

- Sender Profile for Incoming Mail
- IP Addresses for Incoming Mail
- IP Addresses for Outgoing Senders

- **User Detail.** Enabling this filter prevents the Security Management appliance from recording information about individual users sending and receiving mail and the content filters that are applied to the users' mail. This filter is appropriate for appliances that process mail for millions of internal users or if the system does not validate recipient addresses.

This filter affects the following Last Year reports:

- Internal Users
- Internal User Details
- IP Addresses for Outgoing Senders
- Content Filters

- **Mail Traffic Detail.** Enabling this filter prevents the Security Management appliance from recording information about individual domains and networks that the appliances monitor. This filter is appropriate when the number of valid incoming or outgoing domains is measured in the tens of millions.

This filter affects the following Last Year reports:

- Domains for Incoming Mail
- Sender Profile for Incoming Mail
- Internal User Details
- Domains for Outgoing Senders



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**Note** To view up-to-the-minute reporting data for the preceding hour, you must log in to an individual appliance and view the data there.

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# Exporting Reporting and Tracking Data

Table 12: Exporting Reporting and Tracking Data on the New Web Interface

| To Get This  | CSV | Do This   | Notes  |
|--|-----|---|--|
| Raw data<br>See also <a href="#">Exporting Report Data as a Comma Separated Values (CSV) File</a> , on page 32 | •   | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Click <b>Export</b> link on the top of a report page.</li> <li>2. Select <b>CSV</b> as the required format.</li> <li>3. Select the required report module that you want to export and click <b>Download</b>.</li> </ol> | The CSV file contains all applicable data, including the data visible in the chart or table.   |
|  | •   | <p>Create a scheduled or on-demand report. See:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Generating Email Reports On Demand</a> , on page 153</li> <li>• <a href="#">Scheduling Email Reports</a>, on page 151</li> </ul>                         | <p>Each CSV file may contain up to 100 rows.</p> <p>If a report contains more than one table, a separate CSV file is created for each table.</p> <p>Some extended reports are not available in CSV format.</p> |
| A PDF of an interactive report page  | •   | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Click <b>Export</b> link on the top of a report page.</li> <li>2. Select <b>PDF</b> as the required format.</li> <li>3. Select the required report module that you want to export and click <b>Download</b>.</li> </ol> | <p>The PDF reflects the customizations that you are currently viewing.</p> <p>PDFs are formatted to be printer-friendly.</p>   |
| A PDF of report data   | •   | <p>Create a scheduled or on-demand report. See:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Generating Email Reports On Demand</a> , on page 153</li> <li>• <a href="#">Scheduling Email Reports</a>, on page 151</li> </ul>                         | -  |

| To Get This  | CSV | Do This  | Notes  |
|--|-----|--|--|
| (Web Security) A custom subset of report data, for example data for a particular user. | •   | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Select <b>Web</b> from the Product drop-down and choose <b>Tracking &gt; Web Tracking</b>.</li> <li>2. Perform a search and click the <b>Export</b> link or <b>Export All</b> link above the search results</li> </ol>       | CSV files include all raw data matching the search criteria.   |
| (Email Security) A custom subset of data, for example data for a particular user.      | •   | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Select <b>Email</b> from the Product drop-down and choose <b>Tracking &gt; Message Tracking</b>.</li> <li>2. Perform a search and click the <b>Export</b> link or <b>Export All</b> link above the search results</li> </ol> | <p>The Export link downloads a CSV file with the displayed search results, up to the limit you specified in your search criteria.</p> <p>The Export All link downloads a CSV file with up to 50,000 messages that match your search criteria.</p> <p>Tip: If you need to export more than 50,000 messages, perform a series of exports for a set of shorter time ranges.</p> |

## Exporting Report Data as a Comma Separated Values (CSV) File

You can export raw data to a comma-separated values (CSV) file, which you can access and manipulate using database applications such as Microsoft Excel. For different ways to export data, see [Exporting Reporting and Tracking Data](#), on page 31.

Because CSV exports include only raw data, exported data from a web-based report page may not include calculated data such as percentages, even if that data appears in the web-based report.

For email message tracking and reporting data, the exported CSV data will display all data in GMT regardless of what is set on the Security Management appliance. This simplifies using data independently from the appliance, particularly when referencing data from appliances in multiple time zones.

The following example is an entry from a raw data export of the Anti-Malware category report, where Pacific Daylight Time (PDT) is displayed as GMT - 7 hours:

Begin Timestamp, End Timestamp, Begin Date, End Date, Name, Transactions Monitored, Transactions Blocked, Transactions Detected

1159772400.0, 1159858799.0, 2006-10-02 07:00 GMT, 2006-10-03 06:59 GMT, Adware, 525, 2100, 2625

Table 13: Viewing Raw Data Entries

| Category Header        | Value                | Description  |
|------------------------|----------------------|--|
| Begin Timestamp        | 1159772400.0         | Query start time in number of seconds from epoch.  |
| End Timestamp          | 1159858799.0         | Query end time in number of seconds from epoch.  |
| Begin Date             | 2006-10-02 07:00 GMT | Date the query began.  |
| End Date               | 2006-10-03 06:59 GMT | Date the query ended.  |
| Name                   | Adware               | Name of the malware category.  |
| Transactions Monitored | 525                  | Number of transactions monitored.  |
| Transactions Blocked   | 2100                 | Number of transactions blocked.  |
| Transactions Detected  | 2625                 | Total number of transactions:<br>Number of transactions detected + Number of transactions blocked. |



**Note** Category headers are different for each type of report. If you export localized CSV data, the headings may not be rendered properly in some browsers. This occurs because some browsers may not use the proper character set for the localized text. To work around this problem, you can save the file to your local machine, and open the file on any web browser using **File > Open**. When you open the file, select the character set to display the localized text.

## Troubleshooting All Reports

- [Unable to View Report Data on Backup Security Management Appliance](#) , on page 34
- [Reporting Is Disabled](#), on page 34

### Unable to View Report Data on Backup Security Management Appliance

#### Problem

You are unable to select a single Email Security appliance for which to view report data. The **View Data For** option does not appear on the reporting page.

#### Solution

See also [Availability of Services During Backups](#) , on page 452.

### Reporting Is Disabled

#### Problem

Canceling a backup in progress can disable reporting.

**Solution**

Reporting functionality will be restored after a backup is completed.





## CHAPTER 5

# Using Centralized Email Security Reporting

This chapter contains the following sections:

- [Centralized Email Reporting Overview, on page 49](#)
- [Setting Up Centralized Email Reporting, on page 50](#)
- [Working with Email Report Data , on page 54](#)
- [Working with Email Report Data on the New Web Interface, on page 54](#)
- [Searching and the Interactive Email Report Pages , on page 55](#)
- [Understanding the Email Reporting Pages, on page 56](#)
- [Understanding the Email Reporting Pages on the New Web Interface, on page 95](#)
- [About Scheduled and On-Demand Email Reports , on page 147](#)
- [Scheduled Reports Page , on page 151](#)
- [Scheduling Email Reports, on page 151](#)
- [Generating Email Reports On Demand , on page 153](#)
- [Archived Email Reports Page , on page 154](#)
- [Viewing and Managing Archived Email Reports , on page 155](#)
- [Scheduling and Archiving Email Reports on the New Web Interface, on page 156](#)
- [Troubleshooting Email Reports , on page 160](#)

## Centralized Email Reporting Overview

Your Cisco Content Security Management appliance shows aggregated information from individual or multiple Email Security appliances so that you can monitor your email traffic patterns and security risks. You can run reports in real-time to view an interactive display of system activity over a specific period of time, or you can schedule reports and run them at regular intervals. Reporting functionality also allows you to export raw data to a file.

This feature centralizes the reports listed under the Monitor menu of the Email Security appliance.

The Centralized Email Reporting feature not only generates high-level reports, allowing you to understand what is happening on their network, but it also allows you to drill down and see traffic details for a particular domain, user, or category.

The Centralized Tracking feature allows you to track email messages that traverse multiple Email Security appliances.




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**Note** The Email Security appliance only stores data if local reporting is used. If centralized reporting is enabled for the Email Security appliance then the Email Security appliance does NOT retain any reporting data except for System Capacity and System Status. If Centralized Email Reporting is not enabled, the only reports that are generated are System Status and System Capacity.

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For more information about availability of report data during and after the transition to centralized reporting, see the “Centralized Reporting Mode” section of the documentation or online help for your Email Security appliance.

## Setting Up Centralized Email Reporting

To set up centralized email reporting, complete the following procedures in order:

1. [Enabling Centralized Email Reporting, on page 50](#)
2. [Only for Legacy Web Interface] [Creating Email Reporting Groups, on page 52.](#)
3. [Adding the Centralized Email Reporting Service to Each Managed Email Security Appliance , on page 53](#)
4. [Enabling Centralized Email Reporting on Email Security Appliances , on page 54](#)




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**Note** If reporting and tracking are not consistently and simultaneously enabled and functioning properly, or are not consistently and simultaneously either centralized or stored locally on each Email Security appliance, then the message tracking results when drilling down from reports will not match expected results. This is because the data for each feature (reporting, tracking) is captured only while that feature is enabled.

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## Enabling Centralized Email Reporting

- [Enabling Centralized Email Reporting on the Legacy Web Interface, on page 50](#)
- [Enabling Centralized Email Reporting on the New Web Interface](#)

## Enabling Centralized Email Reporting on the Legacy Web Interface

### Before you begin

- All Email Security appliances should be configured and working as expected before you enable centralized reporting.
- Before enabling centralized email reporting, ensure that sufficient disk space is allocated to that service. See the [Managing Disk Space , on page 494.](#)

## Procedure

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- Step 1** Choose **Management Appliance > Centralized Services > Email > Centralized Reporting**.
- Step 2** Click **Enable**.
- Step 3** If you are enabling centralized email reporting for the first time after running the System Setup Wizard, review the end user license agreement, and click **Accept**.
- Step 4** Submit and commit your changes.

**Note** If you have enabled email reporting on the appliance, and there is no disk space allocated for this action, centralized email reporting will not work until disk space is allocated. As long as the quota you are setting the Email Reporting and Tracking to is larger than the currently used disk space, you will not lose any reporting and tracking data. See the [Managing Disk Space , on page 494](#) section, for more information.

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## What to do next

[Creating Email Reporting Groups, on page 52](#)


# Enabling Centralized Email Reporting on the New Web Interface

## Before you begin

- All Email Security appliances should be configured and working as expected before you enable centralized reporting.
- Before enabling centralized email reporting, ensure that sufficient disk space is allocated to that service. See the [Managing Disk Space , on page 494](#).

## Procedure

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- Step 1** On the Security Management appliance, click **Service Status** and hover over the  icon corresponding to **Reporting** card.
- Step 2** Click **Edit Settings**.
- Step 3** If you are enabling centralized email reporting for the first time after running the System Setup Wizard, review and accept the license agreement, and click **Proceed**.
- Step 4** Click the toggle switch to enable Centralized Email Reporting.
- Step 5** Create Email Reporting Groups:
- a) Click + icon to add a group.
  - b) Enter an unique name for the group.

The Email Security appliance list displays the Email Security appliances that you added to the Security Management appliance. Select the appliances that you want to add to the group.

The maximum number of groups that can be added is smaller than or equal to the maximum number of email appliances that can be connected.

**Note** If you added an Email Security appliance to the Security Management appliance, but you do not see it in the list, edit the configuration of the Email Security appliance so that the Security Management appliance is collecting reporting data from it.

c) Click **Add** to add the appliances to the Group Members list.

**Step 6** Click **Submit**.

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### What to do next

For more information on managing reporting groups, see [Adding the Centralized Email Reporting Service to Each Managed Email Security Appliance](#), on page 53.

## Creating Email Reporting Groups

You can create groups of Email Security appliances for which to view reporting data from the Security Management appliance.

A group can include one or more appliances, and an appliance may belong to more than one group.

### Before you begin



**Note** This section is applicable only for Legacy Web Interface.

Make sure centralized reporting is enabled for each appliance. See [Adding the Centralized Email Reporting Service to Each Managed Email Security Appliance](#), on page 53.

### Procedure

**Step 1** Choose **Management Appliance > Centralized Services > Centralized Reporting**.

**Step 2** Click **Add Group**.

**Step 3** Enter a unique name for the group.

The Email Security appliance list displays the Email Security appliances that you added to the Security Management appliance. Select the appliances that you want to add to the group.

The maximum number of groups that can be added is smaller than or equal to the maximum number of email appliances that can be connected.

**Note** If you added an Email Security appliance to the Security Management appliance, but you do not see it in the list, edit the configuration of the Email Security appliance so that the Security Management appliance is collecting reporting data from it.

**Step 4** Click **Add** to add the appliances to the Group Members list.

**Step 5** Submit and commit your changes.

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### What to do next


[Adding the Centralized Email Reporting Service to Each Managed Email Security Appliance](#) , on page 53

## Adding the Centralized Email Reporting Service to Each Managed Email Security Appliance

The steps you follow depend on whether or not you have already added the appliance while configuring another centralized management feature.

### Procedure

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- Step 1** [New Web Interface Only] On the Security Management appliance, click  to load the legacy web interface.
- Step 2** Choose **Management Appliance > Centralized Services > Security Appliances**.
- Step 3** If you have already added the Email Security appliance to the list on this page:
- Click the name of an Email Security appliance.
  - Select the **Centralized Reporting** service.
- Step 4** If you have not yet added Email Security appliances:
- Click Add Email Appliance.
  - In the Appliance Name and IP Address text fields, type the appliance name and the IP address for the Management interface of the Security Management appliance.  
**Note** If you enter A DNS name in the IP Address text field, it will be immediately resolved to an IP address when you click **Submit**.
  - The Centralized Reporting service is pre-selected.
  - Click **Establish Connection**.
  - Enter the user name and passphrase for an administrator account on the appliance to be managed, then click **Establish Connection**.  
**Note** You enter the login credentials to pass a public SSH key for file transfers from the Security Management appliance to the remote appliance. The login credentials are not stored on the Security Management appliance.
  - Wait for the Success message to appear above the table on the page.
  - Click **Test Connection**.
  - Read test results above the table.
- Step 5** Click **Submit**.
- Step 6** Repeat this procedure for each Email Security appliance for which you want to enable Centralized Reporting.
- Step 7** Commit your changes.
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### What to do next

[Enabling Centralized Email Reporting on Email Security Appliances](#) , on page 54

## Enabling Centralized Email Reporting on Email Security Appliances

You must enable centralized email reporting on each managed Email Security appliance.

For instructions, see the “Configuring an Email Security Appliance to Use Centralized Reporting” section of the documentation or online help for your Email Security appliance.

## Working with Email Report Data

- For options for accessing and viewing report data, see [Ways to View Reporting Data](#) , on page 23.
- To customize your view of report data, see [Customizing Your View of Report Data](#) , on page 25
- To search for specific information within your data, see [Searching and the Interactive Email Report Pages](#) , on page 55.
- To print or export report information, see [Exporting Reporting and Tracking Data](#) , on page 31
- To understand the various interactive report pages, see [Understanding the Email Reporting Pages](#), on page 56.
- To generate a report on demand, see [Generating Email Reports On Demand](#) , on page 153.
- To schedule reports to run automatically at intervals and times that you specify, see [Scheduling Email Reports](#), on page 151.
- To view archived on-demand and scheduled reports, see [Viewing and Managing Archived Email Reports](#) , on page 155.
- For background information, [How the Security Management Appliance Gathers Data for Reports](#), on page 24.
- To improve performance when working with large amounts of data, see [Improving Performance of Email Reports](#) , on page 30.
- To get details about an entity or number that appears as a blue link in a chart or table, click the entity or number.

For example, if your permissions allow you to do so, you can use this feature to view details about messages that violate Content Filtering or Data Loss Prevention policies. This performs the relevant search in Message Tracking. Scroll down to view results.

## Working with Email Report Data on the New Web Interface

- For options for accessing and viewing report data, see [Ways to View Reporting Data](#) , on page 35.
- To customize your view of report data, see [Customizing Your View of Report Data](#) , on page 38.
- To print or export report information, see [Exporting Reporting and Tracking Data](#) , on page 31.
- To understand the various interactive report pages, see [Using the Interactive Report Pages](#), on page 37.
- To generate a report on demand, see [Generating Email Reports On Demand](#) , on page 153.

- To schedule reports to run automatically at intervals and times that you specify, see [Scheduling Email Reports, on page 151](#).
- To view archived on-demand and scheduled reports, see [Viewing and Managing Archived Email Reports, on page 155](#).
- For background information, [How the Security Management Appliance Gathers Data for Reports, on page 24](#).
- To improve performance when working with large amounts of data, see [Improving Performance of Email Reports, on page 30](#).
- To get details about an entity or number that appears as a blue link in a chart or table, click the entity or number.

For example, if your permissions allow you to do so, you can use this feature to view details about messages that violate Content Filtering or Data Loss Prevention policies. This performs the relevant search in Message Tracking. Scroll down to view results.

## Searching and the Interactive Email Report Pages

Many of the interactive email reporting pages include a ‘**Search For:**’ drop-down menu at the bottom of the page.

From the drop-down menu, you can search for several types of criteria, including the following:

- IP address
- Domain
- Network owner
- Internal user
- Destination domain
- Internal sender domain
- Internal sender IP address
- Incoming TLS domain
- Outgoing TLS domain
- SHA-256

For most searches, choose whether to exactly match the search text or look for items starting with the entered text (for example, starts with “ex” will match “example.com”).

For IPv4 searches, the entered text is always interpreted as the beginning of up to four IP octets in dotted decimal format. For example, ‘17.\*’ will search in the range 17.0.0.0 through 17.255.255.255, so it will match 17.0.0.1 but not 172.0.0.1. For an exact match search, enter all four octets. IP address searches also support Classless Inter-Domain Routing (CIDR) format (17.16.0.0/12).

For IPv6 searches, you can enter addresses using the formats in the following examples:

- 2001:db8:2004:4202::0-2001:db8:2004:4202::ff
- 2001:db8:2004:4202::
- 2001:db8:2004:4202::23
- 2001:db8:2004:4202::/64

# Understanding the Email Reporting Pages



**Note** This list represents the reports available in the latest supported release of AsyncOS for Email Security appliances. If your Email Security appliances are running earlier releases of AsyncOS, not all of these reports are available.

**Table 14: Email Reporting Tab Options**

| Email Reporting Menu          | Action   |
|-------------------------------|--|
| Email Reporting Overview Page | The Overview page provides a synopsis of the activity on your Email Security appliances. It includes graphs and summary tables for the incoming and outgoing messages.<br><br>For more information, see the <a href="#">Email Reporting Overview Page, on page 62</a> .  |
| Incoming Mail Page            | The Incoming Mail page provides interactive reporting on the real-time information for all remote hosts connecting to your managed Email Security appliances. You can gather information about the IP addresses, domains, and network owners (organizations) sending mail to your system.<br><br>For more information, see the <a href="#">Incoming Mail Page, on page 66</a> .  |
| Sender Groups Report Page     | The Sender Groups report page provides a summary of connections by sender group and mail flow policy action, allowing you to review SMTP connection and mail flow policy trends.<br><br>For more information, see the <a href="#">Sender Groups Report Page, on page 69</a> .  |
| Sender Domain Reputation Page | You can use this report page to view incoming messages based on the verdict received and threat category from the SDR service<br><br>For more information, see the <a href="#">Sender Domain Reputation Page, on page 70</a> .   |
| Outgoing Destinations Page    | The Outgoing Destinations page provides information about the domains that your organization sends mail to. The top of the page includes graphs depicting the top destinations by outgoing threat messages and top destinations by outgoing clean messages. The bottom of the page displays a chart with columns sorted by total recipients (default setting).<br><br>For more information, see the <a href="#">Outgoing Destinations Page, on page 70</a> . |
| Outgoing Senders Page         | The Outgoing Senders page provides information about the quantity and type of mail being sent from IP addresses and domains in your network.<br><br>For more information, see the <a href="#">Outgoing Senders Page, on page 71</a> .  |



| Email Reporting Menu | Action   |
|----------------------|--|
| Internal Users Page  | <p>The Internal Users provides information about the mail sent and received by your internal users <i>per email address</i>. A single user can have multiple email addresses. The email addresses are not combined in the report.</p> <p>For more information, see the <a href="#">Internal Users Page, on page 72</a>.</p>  |
| DLP Incidents        | <p>The DLP Incident Summary page shows information on the incidents of data loss prevention (DLP) policy violations occurring in outgoing mail.</p> <p>For more information, see the <a href="#">DLP Incidents , on page 73</a>.</p>   |
| Message Filters      | <p>The Message Filters page shows information about the top message filter matches (which message filters had the largest number of matching messages) for incoming and outgoing messages.</p> <p>For more information, see the <a href="#">Message Filters , on page 75</a></p>   |
| Geo Distribution     | <p>The Geo Distribution page shows the:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Top incoming mail connections based on country of origin in graphical format.</li> <li>• Total incoming mail connections based on country of origin in tabular format.</li> </ul> <p>For more information, see the <a href="#">Geo Distribution, on page 75</a>.</p>  |
| High Volume Mail     | <p>The High Volume Mail page identifies attacks involving a large number of messages from a single sender, or with identical subjects, within a moving one-hour period.</p> <p>For more information, see the <a href="#">High Volume Mail , on page 75</a>.</p>  |
| Content Filters Page | <p>The Content Filters page shows information about the top incoming and outgoing content filter matches (which content filter had the most matching messages). This page also displays the data as both bar charts and listings. Using the Content Filters page, you can review your corporate policies on a per-content-filter or per-user basis.</p> <p>For more information, see the <a href="#">Content Filters Page, on page 76</a>.</p> |
| DMARC Verification   | <p>The DMARC Verification page shows the top sender domains that failed Domain-based Message Authentication, Reporting and Conformance (DMARC) verification, and a summary of the actions taken for incoming messages from each domain.</p> <p>For more information, see the <a href="#">DMARC Verification , on page 76</a>.</p>  |
| Macro Detection      | <p>The Macro Detection Report page shows the top incoming and outgoing macro-enabled attachments by file type detected by the content or message filters.</p> <p>For more information, see the <a href="#">Macro Detection, on page 77</a></p>   |

| Email Reporting Menu          | Action  |
|-------------------------------|---|
| External Threat Feeds Page    | <p>The External Threat Feeds page shows the following reports:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Top ETF sources that is used to detect threats in messages.</li> <li>• Top IOCs that matched threats detected in messages.</li> <li>• Top ETF sources that is used to filter malicious incoming mail connections</li> </ul> <p>For more information, see the <a href="#">External Threat Feeds Page, on page 77</a>.</p>  |
| Virus Types Page              | <p>The Virus Types page provides an overview of the viruses that are sent to and from your network. The Virus Types page displays the viruses that have been detected by the virus scanning engines running on the Email Security appliances and are displayed on the Security Management appliance. Use this report to take action against a particular virus.</p> <p>For more information, see the <a href="#">Virus Types Page, on page 77</a>.</p>  |
| URL Filtering Page            | <p>Use this page to view the URL categories most frequently occurring in messages, the most common URLs in spam messages, and the number of malicious and neutral URLs seen in messages.</p> <p>For more information, see the <a href="#">URL Filtering Page , on page 78</a>.</p>  |
| Web Interaction Tracking Page | <p>Identifies the end users who clicked URLs rewritten by policy or Outbreak Filter, and the action associated with each user click.</p> <p>For more information, see the <a href="#">Web Interaction Tracking Page, on page 79</a>.</p>  |
| Forged Email Detection Page   | <p>The Forged Email Detection page includes the following reports:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Top Forged Email Detection.</b> Displays the top ten users in the content dictionary that matched the forged From: header in the incoming messages.</li> <li>• <b>Forged Email Detection: Details.</b> Displays a list of all the users in the content dictionary that matched the forged From: header in the incoming messages and for a given user, the number of messages matched.</li> </ul> <p>See <a href="#">Forged Email Detection Page, on page 80</a>.</p> |
| Safe Print                    | <p>You can use the Safe Print report page to view:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Number of safe-printed attachments based on the file type in graphical format.</li> <li>• Summary of safe-printed attachments based on the file type in tabular format.</li> </ul> <p>For more information, see the <a href="#">Safe Print Page , on page 80</a>.</p>   |

| Email Reporting Menu  | Action  |
|---|---|
| Advanced Phishing Protection Page   | <p>You can use the Advanced Phishing Protection report page to view:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Total number of messages successfully forwarded to the Cisco Advanced Phishing Protection cloud service.</li> <li>• Total number of messages that are not forwarded to the Cisco Advanced Phishing Protection cloud service.</li> </ul> <p>For more information, see the <a href="#">Advanced Phishing Protection Page on Legacy Web Interface</a>, on page 80.</p> |
| Advanced Malware Protection (File Reputation and File Analysis) Reporting Pages | <p>There are three reporting pages showing file reputation and analysis data.</p> <p>For more information, see the <a href="#">Advanced Malware Protection (File Reputation and File Analysis) Reporting Pages</a>, on page 81.</p>   |
| Mailbox Auto Remediation  | <p>Use this page to view the details of the mailbox remediation results.</p> <p>See <a href="#">Mailbox Auto Remediation</a>, on page 86</p>  |
| TLS Connections Page  | <p>The TLS Connections page shows the overall usage of TLS connections for sent and received mail. The report also shows details for each domain sending mail using TLS connections.</p> <p>For more information, see the <a href="#">TLS Connections Page</a>, on page 87.</p>   |
| Inbound SMTP Authentication Page  | <p>The Inbound SMTP authentication page shows the use of client certificates and the SMTP AUTH command to authenticate SMTP sessions between the Email Security appliance and users' mail clients.</p> <p>For more information, see <a href="#">Inbound SMTP Authentication Page</a>, on page 88.</p>   |
| Outbreak Filters Page   | <p>The Outbreak Filters page shows information about recent outbreaks and the messages quarantined by Outbreak Filters. Use this page to monitor your defense against virus attacks.</p> <p>For more information, see the <a href="#">Outbreak Filters Page</a>, on page 89.</p>  |
| Rate Limits Page  | <p>The Rate Limits page shows the mail senders (based on MAIL-FROM address) who exceed the threshold you set for the number of message recipients per sender.</p> <p>For more information, see the <a href="#">Rate Limits Page</a>, on page 88.</p>  |
| System Capacity Page  | <p>Allows you to view the overall workload that is sending reporting data to the Security Management appliance.</p> <p>For more information, see the <a href="#">System Capacity Page</a>, on page 91.</p>  |
| Reporting Data Availability Page  | <p>Allows you to get a glimpse of the impact of the reporting data on the Security Management appliance for each appliance. For more information, see the <a href="#">Reporting Data Availability Page</a>, on page 95.</p>   |

| Email Reporting Menu                        | Action   |
|---|--|
| Scheduling Email Reports                    | Allows you to schedule reports for a specified time range. For more information, see the <a href="#">Scheduling Email Reports, on page 151</a> .   |
| Viewing and Managing Archived Email Reports | Allows you to view and manage archived reports. For more information, see the <a href="#">Viewing and Managing Archived Email Reports , on page 155</a> .<br>Also allows you to generate on-demand reports. See <a href="#">Generating Email Reports On Demand , on page 153</a> . |

## Table Column Descriptions for Email Reporting Pages

*Table 15: Table Column Descriptions for Email Reporting Pages*

| Column Name                     |   |
|---------------------------------|---|
| <b>Incoming Mail Details</b>    |   |
| Connections Rejected            | All connections blocked by HAT policies. When the appliance is under heavy load, an exact count of rejected connections is not maintained on a per-sender basis. Instead, rejected connections counts are maintained only for the most significant senders in each time interval.   |
| Connections Accepted            | All connections accepted,   |
| Total Attempted                 | All accepted and blocked connections attempted.   |
| Stopped by Recipient Throttling | This is a component of Stopped by Reputation Filtering. It represents the number of recipient messages stopped because any of the following HAT limits have been exceeded: maximum recipients per hour, maximum recipients per message, or maximum messages per connection. This is summed with an estimate of the recipient messages associated with rejected or TCP refused connections to yield Stopped by Reputation Filtering. |

| Column Name   |  |
|---|--|
| Stopped by Reputation Filtering                     | <p>The value for Stopped by Reputation Filtering is calculated based on several factors:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Number of “throttled” messages from this sender</li> <li>• Number of rejected or TCP refused connections (may be a partial count)</li> <li>• A conservative multiplier for the number of messages per connection</li> </ul> <p>When the appliance is under heavy load, an exact count of rejected connections is not maintained on a per-sender basis. Instead, rejected connections counts are maintained only for the most significant senders in each time interval. In this situation, the value shown can be interpreted as a “floor”; that is, at least this many messages were stopped.</p> <p><b>Note</b> The Stopped by Reputation Filtering total on the Overview page is always based on a complete count of all rejected connections. Only the per-sender connection counts are limited due to load.</p> |
| Stopped as Invalid Recipients                       | All mail recipients rejected by conversational LDAP rejection plus all RAT rejections.   |
| Spam Detected                                       | Any spam that has been detected.   |
| Virus Detected                                      | Any viruses that have been detected  |
| Stopped by Content Filter                           | The total count of messages that were stopped by a content filter.   |
| Total Threat  | Total number of threat messages (stopped by reputation, stopped as invalid recipient, spam, plus virus)  |
| Marketing   | Number of messages detected as unwanted marketing messages.  |
| Clean   | <p>All clean messages.</p> <p>Messages processed on appliances on which the graymail feature is not enabled are counted as clean.</p>  |
| <b>User Mail Flow Details (Internal Users Page)</b> |  |
| Incoming Spam Detected                              | All incoming spam that is detected   |
| Incoming Virus Detected                             | The incoming virus that has been detected.   |
| Incoming Content Filter Matches                     | The incoming content filter matches that have been detected.   |

| Column Name  |  |
|--|--|
| Incoming Stopped by Content Filter                                 | The Incoming messages that were stopped due to content filters that have been set. |
| Incoming Clean   | All incoming clean messages.   |
| Outgoing Spam Detected   | The outgoing spam that was detected.   |
| Outgoing Virus Detected  | The outgoing viruses that have been detected.                                      |
| Outgoing Content Filter Matches                                    | The outgoing content filter matches that have been detected.                       |
| Outgoing Stopped by Content Filter                                 | The outgoing messages that were stopped due to content filters that have been set. |
| Outgoing Clean   | All outgoing clean messages.   |
| <b>Incoming and Outgoing TLS Connections: TLS Connections Page</b> |  |
| Required TLS: Failed   | All required TLS connections that failed.  |
| Required TLS: Successful   | All required TLS connections that are successful.                                  |
| Preferred TLS: Failed  | All preferred TLS connections that failed.   |
| Preferred TLS: Successful  | All preferred TLS connections that are successful.                                 |
| Total Connections  | Total number of TLS connections.   |
| Total Messages   | The total number of TLS messages.  |
| <b>Outbreak Filters</b>  |  |
| Outbreak Name  | The name of the outbreak.  |
| Outbreak ID  | The outbreak ID.   |
| First Seen Globally  | The first time the virus has been seen globally.                                   |
| Protection Time  | The time the virus has been protected.   |
| Quarantined Messages   | Messages related to the quarantine.  |

## Email Reporting Overview Page

The **Email > Reporting > Overview** page on the Security Management appliance provides a synopsis of the email message activity from your Email Security appliances. The Overview page includes graphs and summary tables for the incoming and outgoing messages.

At a high level the **Overview** page shows you the incoming and outgoing mail graphs, and well as incoming and outgoing mail summaries.

The mail trend graphs provide a visual representation of the mail flow. You can use the mail trend graphs on this page to monitor the flow of all mail into and out of your appliances.



**Note** The Domain-Based Executive Summary Report and the Executive Summary report are based on the [Email Reporting Overview Page, on page 62](#). For more information, see the [Domain-Based Executive Summary Report, on page 148](#) and [Executive Summary Report, on page 151](#)

**Table 16: Details on the Email Reporting Overview Page**

| Section       | Description  |
|---------------|--|
| Time Range    | A drop-down list with options for choosing a time range to view. For more information, see the <a href="#">Choosing a Time Range for Reports, on page 26</a> .   |
| View Data for | Choose an Email Security appliance for which you want to view Overview data, or choose All Email Appliances. See also <a href="#">Viewing Reporting Data for an Appliance or Reporting Group, on page 25</a> . |

## How Incoming Mail Messages are Counted

Counts of incoming messages are dependent on the number of recipients per message. For example, an incoming message from example.com sent to three recipients is counted as three messages coming from that sender.

Because the messages blocked by sender reputation filtering do not actually enter the work queue, the appliance does not have access to the list of recipients for an incoming message. In this case, a multiplier is used to estimate the number of recipients. This multiplier is based on research of a large sampling of existing customer data.

## How Email Messages Are Categorized by the Appliances

As messages proceed through the email pipeline, they can apply to multiple categories. For example, a message can be marked as spam or virus positive; it can also match a content filter. The precedence of the various filters and scanning activities greatly impacts the results of message processing.

In the example above, the various verdicts follow these rules of precedence:

- Spam positive
- Virus positive
- Matching a content filter

Following these rules, if a message is marked as spam positive, and your anti-spam settings are set to drop spam positive messages, the message is dropped and the spam counter is incremented.

Further, if your anti-spam settings are set to let the spam positive message continue on in the email pipeline, and a subsequent content filter drops, bounces, or quarantines the message, the spam count is still incremented. The content filter count is only incremented if the message is not spam or virus positive.

Alternately, if the message were quarantined by Outbreak Filters, it would not be counted until it was released from the quarantine and again processed through the work queue.

For complete information about message processing precedence, see chapter about the email pipeline in the online help or user guide for your Email Security appliance.

## Categorizing Email Messages on the Overview Page

Messages reported in the Incoming Mail Summary on the Overview report page are categorized as follows:

**Table 17: Email Categories on Overview Page**

| Category                                       | Description  |
|--|--|
| <b>Stopped by Reputation Filtering</b>         | <p>All connections blocked by HAT policies multiplied by a fixed multiplier (see the <a href="#">How Incoming Mail Messages are Counted, on page 63</a>) plus all recipients blocked by recipient throttling.</p> <p>The value for Stopped by Reputation Filtering is calculated based on several factors:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Number of “throttled” messages from this sender</li> <li>• Number of rejected or TCP refused connections (may be a partial count)</li> <li>• A conservative multiplier for the number of messages per connection</li> </ul> <p>When the appliance is under heavy load, an exact count of rejected connections is not maintained on a per-sender basis. Instead, rejected connections counts are maintained only for the most significant senders in each time interval. In this situation, the value shown can be interpreted as a “floor”; that is, at least this many messages were stopped.</p> <p>The Stopped by Reputation Filtering total on the Overview page is always based on a complete count of all rejected connections. Only the per-sender connection counts are limited due to load.</p> |
| <b>Invalid Recipients</b>                      | All mail recipients rejected by conversational LDAP rejection plus all RAT rejections.   |
| <b>Spam Messages Detected</b>                  | The total count of messages detected by the anti-spam scanning engine as positive or suspect. Additionally, messages that are both spam and virus positive.  |
| <b>Virus Messages Detected</b>                 | <p>The total count and percentage of messages detected as virus positive and not also spam.</p> <p>The following messages are counted in the “Virus Detected” category:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Messages with a virus scan result of “Repaired” or “Infectious”</li> <li>• Messages with a virus scan result of “Encrypted” when the option to count encrypted messages as containing viruses is selected</li> <li>• Messages with a virus scan result of “Unscannable” when the action for unscannable messages is NOT “Deliver”</li> <li>• Messages with a virus scan result of “Unscannable” or “Encrypted” when the option to deliver to an alternate mail host or an alternate recipient is selected</li> <li>• Messages that are deleted from the Outbreak quarantine, either manually or by timing out.</li> </ul>   |
| <b>Detected by Advanced Malware Protection</b> | A message attachment was found to be malicious by file reputation filtering. This value does not include verdict updates or files found to be malicious by file analysis.  |
| <b>Messages with Malicious URLs</b>            | One or more URLs in the message were found to be malicious by URL filtering.   |
| <b>Stopped by Content Filter</b>               | <p>The total count of messages that were stopped by a content filter.</p> <p>If your access privileges allow you to view Message Tracking data: To view Message Tracking details for the Content Filter violations in this report, click a blue number link in the table.</p>  |
| <b>Stopped by DMARC</b>                        | The total count of messages that failed DMARC verification.  |



| Category   | Description  |
|--|--|
| S/MIME Verification/Decryption Failed            | The total count of messages that failed S/MIME verification, decryption, or both.  |
| <b>Marketing Messages</b>                        | <p>The total count of advertising messages sent by recognized professional marketing groups, for example Amazon.com.</p> <p>This list item appears on the page only if marketing data are present in the system.</p> <p>This number includes marketing messages identified both by Email Security appliances on which the graymail feature is enabled and by appliances on which Marketing Email Scanning under anti-spam settings is enabled.</p>   |
| <b>Social Networking Messages</b>                | The total count of notification messages from social networks, dating websites, forums, and so on. Examples include LinkedIn and CNET forums. This information is determined by the graymail feature.  |
| <b>Bulk Messages</b>                             | <p>The total count of advertising messages sent by unrecognized marketing groups, for example, TechTarget, a technology media company.</p> <p>This information is determined by the graymail feature.</p>  |
| <b>Graymail Messages</b>                         | <p>This number includes marketing messages detected by the graymail feature, plus social networking messages and bulk mail. It does not include marketing messages identified on appliances on which the graymail feature is not enabled, even if those totals are included in the Marketing Messages value.</p> <p>Click on the number corresponding to any of the graymail categories to view a list of messages belonging to that category using Message Tracking.</p> <p>See also <a href="#">Reporting of Graymail</a> , on page 91.</p>  |
| <b>S/MIME Verification/Decryption Successful</b> | The total count of messages that were successfully verified, decrypted, or decrypted and verified using S/MIME.  |
| <b>Clean Messages Accepted</b>                   | <p>This category is mail that is accepted and deemed to be virus and spam free.</p> <p>The most accurate representation of clean messages accepted when taking per-recipient scanning actions (such as splintered messages being processed by separate mail policies) into account.</p> <p>However, because messages that are marked as spam or virus positive and still delivered are not counted, the actual number of messages delivered may differ from the clean message count.</p> <p>If messages match a <i>message filter</i> and are not dropped or bounced by the filter, they are treated as clean. Messages dropped or bounced by a message filter are not counted in the totals.</p> <p>Messages processed on appliances on which the graymail feature is not enabled are counted as clean.</p> |
| <b>Total Attempted Messages</b>                  | This number includes spam, marketing messages (whether found by the graymail feature or by Marketing Email Scanning functionality in the anti-spam feature), social networking messages, bulk mail, and clean messages.  |



**Note** If you have configured your anti-virus settings to deliver unscannable or encrypted messages, these messages will be counted as clean messages and not virus positive. Otherwise, the messages are counted as virus positive. Additionally, if messages match a *message filter* and are not dropped or bounced by the filter, they are treated as clean. Messages dropped or bounced by a message filter are not counted in the totals.

## Incoming Mail Page

The **Email > Reporting > Incoming Mail** page on the Security Management appliance provides interactive reporting on the real-time information for all remote hosts connecting to your managed Security Management appliances. You can gather information about the IP addresses, domains, and network owners (organizations) sending mail to your system. You can also perform a Sender Profile search on IP addresses, domains, or organizations that have sent mail to you.

The Incoming Mail Details interactive table displays detailed information about the particular IP address, domain, or network owner (organization). You can access a Sender Profile page for any IP address, domain, or network owner by clicking the corresponding link at the top of the **Incoming Mail** page, or on other Sender Profile pages.

From the Incoming Mail pages you can:

- Perform a search on IP addresses, domains, or network owners (organizations) that have sent mail to your Security Management appliances. See [Searching and the Interactive Email Report Pages](#), on page 55.
- View the Sender Groups report to monitor connections according to the specific sender group and mail flow policy actions. See the [Sender Groups Report Page](#), on page 69 for more information.
- See detailed statistics on senders that have sent mail to your appliances. The statistics include the number of attempted messages broken down by security service (sender reputation filtering, anti-spam, anti-virus, and so forth).
- Sort by senders who have sent you a high volume of spam or virus email, as determined by anti-spam or anti-virus security services.
- Use the SenderBase Reputation Service to examine the relationship between specific IP addresses, domains, and organizations to obtain information about a sender.
- Obtain more information about a sender from the SenderBase Reputation Service, including a sender's SenderBase Reputation Score (SBRS) and which sender group the domain matched most recently. Add senders to sender groups.
- Obtain more information about a specific sender who has sent a high volume of spam or virus email, as determined by the anti-spam or anti-virus security services.

## Views Within the Incoming Mail Page

The **Incoming Mail** page has three different views:

- IP Addresses
- Domains
- Network Owners

These views provide a snapshot of the remote hosts connecting to the system in the context of the selected view.

Additionally, in the Incoming Mail Details section of the Incoming Mail Page, you can click on a Sender's IP Address, Domain name, or Network Owner Information to retrieve specific Sender Profile Information. For more information on Sender Profile information, see the [Sender Profile Pages, on page 68](#).



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**Note** *Network owners* are entities that contain domains. *Domains* are entities that contain IP addresses.

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Depending on the view you select, the Incoming Mail Details interactive table displays the top IP addresses, domains, or network owners that have sent mail to all public listeners configured on the Email Security appliances. You can monitor the flow of all mail into your appliances.

Click an IP address, domain, or network owner to access details about the sender on the Sender Profile page. The Sender Profile page is an Incoming Mail page that is specific to a particular IP address, domain, or network owner.

To access the mail flow information by sender group, click the **Sender Groups Report** link at the bottom of the Incoming Mail page. See [Sender Profile Pages, on page 68](#).

In some cases, some of the report pages contain several unique sub-reports that can be accessed from the top-level page. For example, the Incoming Mail report page on the Security Management appliance allows you to see information for individual IP Addresses, Domains and Network Owners. Each of these are sub-pages are accessed from the Incoming Mail report page.

Results for each of these sub-report pages are generated on one consolidated report when you click on the Printable PDF link at the top-right of the top-level page; in this case the Incoming Mail report page. See important information in [Understanding the Email Reporting Pages, on page 56](#).

The **Email > Reporting > Incoming Mail** page offers the following views: **IP Addresses, Domains, or Network Owners**

See the [Incoming Mail Details Table, on page 68](#) for an explanation of the data included in the Incoming Mail Details interactive table.

From the **Incoming Mail** page you can also generate a PDF or export raw data to a CSV file. For information on printing or exporting a file, see the [Understanding the Email Reporting Pages, on page 56](#).



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**Note** You can generate a scheduled report for the Incoming Mail report page. See the [Scheduling Email Reports, on page 151](#).

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## "No Domain Information" Link

Domains that have connected to the Security Management appliances and could not be verified with a double-DNS lookup are automatically grouped into the special domain called "No Domain Information." You can control how these types of unverified hosts are managed via Sender Verification. For more information about Sender Verification, see the documentation or online help for your Email Security appliance.

You can use the Items Displayed menu to select the number of senders to display in the list.

## Time Ranges in the Mail Trend Graphs

You can select varying degrees of granularity to see your data in a mail graph. You can select a day, week, month, and year views of the same data. Because the data is monitored in real time, information is periodically updated and summarized in the database.

For more information on time ranges, see [Choosing a Time Range for Reports](#) , on page 26.

## Incoming Mail Details Table

The interactive Incoming Mail Details table at the bottom of the **Incoming Mail** page lists the top senders that have connected to public listeners on the Email Security appliances. The table shows domains, IP addresses, or network owners, based on the view selected. Click the column headings to sort the data.

The system acquires and verifies the validity of the remote host's IP address by performing a *double DNS lookup* . For more information about double DNS lookups and sender verification, see the documentation or online help for your Email Security appliance.

For senders, that is Network Owner, IP Address or Domain, listed in the first column of the Incoming Mail Details table, or on the Top Senders by Total Threat Messages, click the **Sender** or **No Domain Information** link to view more information about the sender. The results appear on a **Sender Profile** page, which includes real-time information from the SenderBase Reputation Service. From the Sender Profile page, you can view for more information about specific IP addresses or network owners. For more information, see the [Sender Profile Pages](#), on page 68.

You can also view the Sender Groups report, by clicking **Sender Groups report** at the bottom of the Incoming Mail page. For more information about the Sender Groups report page, see the [Sender Groups Report Page](#), on page 69.

If your access privileges allow you to view Message Tracking data: To view Message Tracking details for the Content Filter violations in this report, click a blue number link in the table.

## Sender Profile Pages

When you click a sender in the Incoming Mail interactive table, on the **Mail Flow Details** [New Web Interface] or **Incoming Mail** page, the Sender Profile page appears. It shows detailed information about the particular IP address, domain, or network owner (organization). You can access a Sender Profile page for any IP address, domain, or network owner by clicking the corresponding link on the Mail Flow Details page or on other Sender Profile pages.

*Network owners* are entities that contain domains. *Domains* are entities that contain IP addresses.

The Sender Profile pages displayed for IP addresses, domains, and network owners vary slightly. For each, the page contains a graph and summary table for incoming mail from the particular sender. Below the graph, a table lists the domains or IP addresses associated with the sender. (The Sender Profile page for an individual IP address does not contain a more granular listing.) The Sender Profile page also includes an information section with the current SenderBase, sender group, and network information for the sender.

- Network Owner profile pages contain information for the network owner, as well as the domains and IP addresses associated with that network owner.
- Domain profile pages contain information for the domains and IP addresses associated with that domain.
- IP address profile pages contain information about the IP address only.

Each Sender Profile page contains the following data in the Current Information table at the bottom of the page:

- The global information from the SenderBase Reputation Service, including:
  - IP address, domain name, and/or network owner
  - Network owner category (network owner only)

- CIDR range (IP addresses only)
- Daily magnitude and monthly magnitude for the IP address, domain, and/or network owner
- Days since the first message was received from this sender
- Last sender group and whether DNS verified (IP address sender profile page only)

Daily magnitude is a measure of how many messages a domain has sent over the last 24 hours. Similar to the Richter scale used to measure earthquakes, SenderBase magnitude is a measure of message volume calculated using a log scale with a base of 10. The maximum theoretical value of the scale is set to 10, which equates to 100% of the world's email message volume. Using the log scale, a one-point increase in magnitude equates to a 10x increase in actual volume.

Monthly magnitude is calculated using the same approach as daily magnitude, except the percentages are calculated based on the volume of email sent over the last 30 days.

- Average magnitude (IP addresses only)
- Lifetime volume / 30 day volume (IP address profile pages only)
- Bonded sender status (IP address profile pages only)
- SenderBase Reputation Score (IP address profile pages only)
- Days since first message (network owner and domain profile pages only)
- Number of domains associated with this network owner (network owner and domain profile pages only)
- Number of IP addresses in this network owner (network owner and domain profile pages only)
- Number of IP addresses used to send email (network owner pages only)

Click **More from SenderBase** to see a page with all information supplied by the SenderBase Reputation Service.

- Details about the domains and IP addresses controlled by this network owner appear on network owner profile pages. Details about the IP addresses in the domain appear on domain pages.

From a domain profile page, you can click on a specific IP address to view specific information, or view an organization profile page.

## Sender Groups Report Page

The **Sender Groups report** page provides a summary of connections by sender group and mail flow policy action, allowing you to review SMTP connection and mail flow policy trends. The Mail Flow by Sender Group listing shows the percentage and number of connections for each sender group. The Connections by Mail Flow Policy Action chart shows the percentage of connections for each mail flow policy action. This page provides an overview of the effectiveness of your Host Access Table (HAT) policies. For more information about the HAT, see the documentation or online help for your Email Security appliance.

To view the Sender Groups report page, select **Email > Reporting > Sender Groups**.

From the **Sender Group Report** page you can also generate a PDF or export raw data to a CSV file. For information on printing or exporting a file, see the [Understanding the Email Reporting Pages, on page 56](#).



**Note** You can generate a scheduled report for the Sender Group report page. See the [Scheduling Email Reports, on page 151](#).

## Sender Domain Reputation Page

You can use the Sender Domain Reputation report page to view:

- Incoming messages based on the verdict received from the SDR service in graphical format.
- Summary of incoming messages based on the threat category and verdict received from the SDR service in tabular format.
- Incoming messages based on the threat category received from the SDR service in graphical format.



**Note** Only the messages whose SDR verdict is 'awful' or 'poor' are classified under the SDR threat category, such as, 'spam,' 'malicious,' etc.

- Summary of incoming messages based on the threat category received from the SDR service in tabular format.

In the Summary of Incoming Messages handled by SDR section, you can click on the number of messages corresponding to a particular verdict to view the related messages in Message Tracking.

## Outgoing Destinations Page

The **Email > Reporting > Outgoing Destinations** page provides information about the domains that your organization sends mail to.

Use the Outgoing Destinations page to answer the following types of questions:

- Which domains are the Email Security appliances sending mail to?
- How much mail is sent to each domain?
- How much of that mail is clean, spam-positive, virus-positive, malware or stopped by a content filter?
- How many messages are delivered and how many messages are hard-bounced by the destination servers?

The following list explains the various sections on the **Outgoing Destinations** page:

**Table 18: Details on the Email Reporting Outgoing Destinations Page**

| Section                         | Description   |
|---------------------------------|---|
| Time Range (drop-down list)     | A drop-down list that can range from a day to 90 days or a custom range. For more information on time ranges and customizing this for your needs, see the <a href="#">Choosing a Time Range for Reports, on page 26</a> . |
| Top Destination by Total Threat | The top destination domains of outgoing threat messages (spam, antivirus, etc.) sent by your organization. Total threat include threats that are spam or virus positive or that triggered a content filter.               |

| Section                           | Description  |
|-----------------------------------|--|
| Top Destination by Clean Messages | The top destination domains of clean outgoing messages sent by your organization.  |
| Outgoing Destination Details      | All details related to the destination domains of all outgoing messages sent by your organization, sorted by total recipients. Details include detected spam, viruses, clean messages etc.<br><br>If your access privileges allow you to view Message Tracking data: To view Message Tracking details for the Content Filter violations in this report, click a blue number link in the table. |

From the **Outgoing Destinations** page you can also generate a PDF or export raw data to a CSV file. For information on printing or exporting a file, see the [Understanding the Email Reporting Pages, on page 56](#).



**Note** You can generate a scheduled report for the Outgoing Destinations page. See the [Scheduling Email Reports, on page 151](#).

## Outgoing Senders Page

The **Email > Reporting > Outgoing Senders** page provides information about the quantity and type of mail being sent from IP addresses and domains in your network.

Use the Outgoing Senders page to answer the following types of questions:

- Which IP addresses are sending the most virus-positive, or spam-positive or malware email?
- Which IP addresses trigger content filters the most frequently?
- Which domains are sending the most mail?
- What are the total number of recipients that are being processed where a delivery was attempted.

To view the **Outgoing Senders** page, perform the following:

You can see the results of the Outgoing senders with two types of views:

- **Domain:** This view allows you to see the volume of mail that is being sent by each domain
- **IP address:** This view allows you to see which IP addresses are sending the most virus messages or triggering content filters.

The following list explains the various sections on the **Outgoing Senders** page for both views:

**Table 19: Details on the Email Reporting Outgoing Sender Page**

| Section                              | Description  |
|--------------------------------------|--|
| Time Range (drop-down list)          | A drop-down list that can range from a day to 90 days or a custom range. For more information on time ranges and customizing this for your needs, see the <a href="#">Choosing a Time Range for Reports , on page 26</a> . |
| Top Senders by Total Threat Messages | The top senders (by IP address or domain) of outgoing threat messages (spam, antivirus, etc.) in your organization.  |
| Top Sender by Clean Messages         | The top senders (by IP address or domain) of clean outgoing messages sent in your organization.  |



| Section        | Description   |
|----------------|---|
| Sender Details | All details on the senders (by IP address or domain) of all outgoing messages sent by your organization. Details include detected spam, viruses, clean messages, etc.<br><br>If your access privileges allow you to view Message Tracking data: To view Message Tracking details for the DLP and Content Filter violations in this report, click a blue number link in the table. |



**Note** This page does not display information about message delivery. To track delivery information, such as the number of messages from a particular domain that were bounced, log in to the appropriate Email Security appliance and choose **Monitor > Delivery Status**.

From the **Outgoing Senders** page you can also generate a PDF or export raw data to a CSV file. For information on printing or exporting a file, see the [Understanding the Email Reporting Pages, on page 56](#).



**Note** You can generate a scheduled report for the **Outgoing Senders** page. See the [Scheduling Email Reports, on page 151](#).

## Internal Users Page

The **Email > Reporting > Internal Users** page provides information about the mail sent and received by your internal users *per email address*. A single user can have multiple email addresses. The email addresses are not combined in the report.

Use the Internal Users interactive report page to answer these types of questions:

- Who is sending the most external email?
- Who receives the most clean email?
- Who receives the largest number of graymail messages?
- Who receives the most spam?
- Who is triggering which content filters?
- Whose email is getting caught by content filters?

**Table 20: Details on the Email Reporting Internal Users Page**

| Section                              | Description  |
|--------------------------------------|--|
| Time Range (drop-down list)          | A drop-down list that can range from a day to 90 days or a custom range. For more information on time ranges and customizing this for your needs, see the <a href="#">Choosing a Time Range for Reports , on page 26</a> . |
| Top Users by Clean Incoming Messages | The top users by (by IP address or domain) of clean incoming messages sent in your organization.   |
| Top Users by Clean Outgoing Messages | The top users (by IP address or domain) of clean outgoing messages sent in your organization.  |



| Section                | Description  |
|------------------------|--|
| User Mail Flow Details | <p>The User Mail Flow Details interactive section breaks down the mail received and sent by each email address. You can sort the listing by clicking the column headers.</p> <p>To view details for a user, click the user name in the Internal User column. For more information, see the <a href="#">Internal User Details Page, on page 73</a>.</p> <p>If your access privileges allow you to view Message Tracking data: To view Message Tracking details for the Content Filter violations in this report, click a blue number link in the table.</p> |

From the **Internal Users** page you can also generate a PDF or export raw data to a CSV file. For information on printing or exporting a file, see the [Understanding the Email Reporting Pages, on page 56](#).



**Note** You can generate a scheduled report for the Internal Users page. See the [Scheduling Email Reports, on page 151](#).

## Internal User Details Page

The Internal User detail page shows detailed information about a user, including a breakdown of incoming and outgoing messages showing the number of messages in each category (such as spam detected, virus detected, detected by Advanced Malware Protection, stopped by content filter, etc.). Incoming and outgoing content filter matches are also shown.

Inbound Internal Users are the users for which you received email, based on the Rcpt To: address. Outbound Internal Users are based on the Mail From: address and are useful when tracking the types of email that senders on your internal network are sending.

Click a content filter name to view detailed information for that filter on the corresponding content filter information page (see [Content Filters Page, on page 76](#)). You can use this method to view a list of all users who sent or received mail that matched the particular content filter.



**Note** Some outbound mail (such as bounces) has a null sender. They are counted as outbound “unknown.”

## Searching for a Specific Internal User

With the search form at the bottom of the User Mail Summary page and the User Mail Flow Details page, you can search for a specific internal user (email address). Select whether to exactly match the search text or look for items starting with the entered text (for example, starts with “ex” will match “example@example.com”).

## DLP Incidents

The **Email > Reporting > DLP Incidents (DLP Incident Summary)** page shows information on the incidents of data loss prevention (DLP) policy violations occurring in outgoing mail. The Email Security appliance uses the DLP email policies enabled in the Outgoing Mail Policies table to detect sensitive data sent by your users. Every occurrence of an outgoing message violating a DLP policy is reported as an incident.

Using the DLP Incident Summary report, you can answer these kinds of questions:

- What type of sensitive data is being sent by your users?
- How severe are these DLP incidents?
- How many of these messages are being delivered?
- How many of these messages are being dropped?
- Who is sending these messages?

The DLP Incident Summary page contains two main sections:

- the DLP incident trend graphs summarizing the top DLP incidents by severity (Low, Medium, High, Critical) and policy matches,
- the DLP Incident Details listing

**Table 21: Details on the Email Reporting DLP Incident Summary Page**

| Section                     | Description  |
|-----------------------------|--|
| Time Range (drop-down list) | A drop-down list that can range from a day to 90 days or a custom range. For more information on time ranges and customizing this for your needs, see the <a href="#">Choosing a Time Range for Reports</a> , on page 26.  |
| Top Incidents by Severity   | The top DLP incidents listed by severity.  |
| Incident Summary            | The DLP policies currently enabled for each email appliance's outgoing mail policies are listed in the DLP Incident Details interactive table at the bottom of the <b>DLP Incident Summary</b> page. Click the name of a DLP policy to view more detailed information.   |
| Top DLP Policy Matches      | The top DLP Policies that have been matched.   |
| DLP Incident Details        | The DLP Incident Details table shows the total number of DLP incidents per policy, with a breakdown by severity level, and whether any of the messages were delivered in the clear, delivered encrypted, or dropped.<br><br>For more information on the DLP Incidents Details table, see the <a href="#">DLP Incidents Details Table</a> , on page 74. |

Click the name of a DLP policy to view detailed information on the DLP incidents detected by the policy. You can use this method to get a list of users who sent mail that contained sensitive data detected by the policy.

## DLP Incidents Details Table

The DLP Incident Details table is an interactive table that shows the total number of DLP incidents per policy, with a breakdown by severity level, and whether any of the messages were delivered in the clear, delivered encrypted, or dropped. Click the column headings to sort the data.

To find out more information about any of the DLP Policies listed in this table, click the name of the DLP Policy and the DLP Policy Page appears. For more information, see [DLP Policy Detail Page](#), on page 75.

If your access privileges allow you to view Message Tracking data: To view Message Tracking details for the messages that populate this report, click a blue number link in the table.

## DLP Policy Detail Page

If you click on a name of a DLP policy in the DLP Incident Details table, the resulting DLP Policy Detail page displays the DLP incidents data for the policy. The page displays graphs on the DLP Incidents based by Severity.

The page also includes an Incidents by Sender table at the bottom of the page that lists each internal user who has sent a message that violated the DLP policy. The table also shows the total number of DLP incidents for this policy per user, with a breakdown by severity level, and whether any of the messages were delivered in the clear, delivered encrypted, or dropped. You can use the Incidents by Sender table to find out which users may be sending your organization's sensitive data to people outside your network.

Clicking the sender name on the incident detail page opens up the Internal Users page. See the [Internal Users Page, on page 72](#) for more information.

## Message Filters

The Message Filters page shows information about the top message filter matches (which message filters had the largest number of matching messages) for incoming and outgoing messages.

## Geo Distribution

You can use the Geo Distribution report page to view:

- Top incoming mail connections based on country of origin in graphical format.
- Total incoming mail connections based on country of origin in tabular format.

The following are the scenarios when no country information is displayed for the top and total incoming mail connections:

- The sender IP address belongs to a private IP address
- The sender IP address does not get a valid SBRS.

## High Volume Mail

Use reports on this page to:

- Identify attacks involving a large number of messages from a single sender, or with identical subjects, within a moving one-hour period.
- Monitor top domains to ensure that such attacks do not originate in your own domain. If this situation occurs, one or more accounts in your organization may be compromised.
- Help identify false positives so you can adjust your filters accordingly.

Reports on this page show data only from message filters that use the Header Repeats rule and that pass the number-of-messages threshold that you set in that rule. When combined with other rules, the Header Repeats rule is evaluated last, and is not evaluated at all if the message disposition is determined by a preceding condition. Similarly, messages caught by Rate Limiting never reach Header Repeats message filters. Therefore, some messages that might otherwise be considered high-volume mail may not be included in these reports. If you have configured your filters to include certain messages in the allowed list, those messages are also excluded from these reports.

For more information about message filters and the Header Repeats rule, see the online help or user guide for your Email Security appliance.

### Related Topics

- [Rate Limits Page](#), on page 88

## Content Filters Page

The **Email > Reporting > Content Filters** page shows information about the top incoming and outgoing content filter matches (which content filter had the most matching messages). The page displays the data as both bar charts and listings. Using the Content Filters page, you can review your corporate policies on a per-content-filter or per-user basis and answer the following types of questions:

- Which content filter is triggered the most by incoming or outgoing mail?
- Who are the top users sending or receiving mail that triggers a particular content filter?

To view more information about a specific filter, click the name of the filter. The Content Filter Details page appears. For more information on Content Filter details page, see the [Content Filter Details Page, on page 76](#).

If your access privileges allow you to view Message Tracking data: To view Message Tracking details for the messages that populate this report, click a blue number link in the table.

From the **Content Filters** page you can also generate a PDF or export raw data to a CSV file. For information on printing or exporting a file, see the [Understanding the Email Reporting Pages, on page 56](#).



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**Note** You can generate a scheduled report for the Content Filter page. See the [Scheduling Email Reports, on page 151](#).

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## Content Filter Details Page

The Content Filter Detail page displays matches for the filter over time, as well as matches by internal user.

In the Matches by Internal User section, click the name of a user to view the detail page for the internal user (email address). For more information, see [Internal User Details Page, on page 73](#).

If your access privileges allow you to view Message Tracking data: To view Message Tracking details for the messages that populate this report, click a blue number link in the table.

## DMARC Verification

The DMARC Verification page shows the top sender domains that failed Domain-based Message Authentication, Reporting and Conformance (DMARC) verification, and a summary of the actions taken for incoming messages from each domain. You can use this report to fine-tune your DMARC settings and answer these kinds of questions:

- Which domains sent the most messages that failed DMARC verification?
- For each domain, what actions were taken on messages that failed DMARC verification?

For more information about DMARC verification, see the Email Authentication chapter in the online help or user guide for your Email Security appliance.

## Macro Detection

You can use the Macro Detection report page to view:

- Top Incoming Macro-Enabled Attachments by File Type in graphical and tabular format.
- Top Outgoing Macro-Enabled Attachments by File Type in graphical and tabular format.

You can click on the number of macro-enabled attachments to view the related messages in Message Tracking.



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**Note** During report generation:

- If one or more macros are detected within an archive file, the Archive Files file type is incremented by one. The number of macro-enabled attachments within an archive file are not counted.
  - If one or more macros are detected within an embedded file, the parent file type is incremented by one. The number of macro-enabled attachments within an embedded file are not counted.
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## External Threat Feeds Page

You can use the External Threat Feeds report page to view:

- Top ETF sources used to detect threats in messages in graphical format
- Summary of ETF sources used to detect threats in messages in tabular format.
- Top IOCs that matched threats detected in messages in graphical format.
- Top ETF sources used to filter malicious incoming mail connections in graphical format.
- Summary of ETF sources used to filter malicious incoming mail connections in tabular format.

In the ‘Summary of External Threat Feed Sources’ section:

- You can click on the number of messages for a particular ETF source to view the related messages in Message Tracking.
- You can click on a particular threat feed source to view the distribution of the ETF source based on the IOCs.

In the ‘Summary of Indicator of Compromise (IOC) Matches’ section:

- You can click on the number of IOCs for a particular ETF source to view the related messages in Message Tracking.
- You can click on a particular IOC to view the distribution of the IOC based on the ETF sources.

## Virus Types Page

The **Email > Reporting > Virus Types** page provides an overview of the viruses that are sent to and from your network. The Virus Types page displays the viruses that have been detected by the virus scanning engines running on the Email Security appliances and are displayed on the Security Management appliance. Use this

report to take action against a particular virus. For example, if you see that you are receiving a high volume of viruses known to be embedded in PDF files, you can create a filter action to quarantine messages with PDF attachments.



**Note** Outbreak Filters can quarantine these types of virus-infected messages with no user intervention.

If you run multiple virus scanning engines, the Virus Types page includes results from all enabled virus scanning engines. The name of the virus that appears on the page is determined by the virus scanning engines. If more than one scanning engine detects a virus, it is possible to have more than one entry for the same virus.

**Table 22: Details on the Email Reporting Virus Types Page**

| Section                           | Description   |
|-----------------------------------|---|
| Time Range (drop-down list)       | A drop-down list that can range from a day to 90 days or a custom range. For more information on time ranges and customizing this for your needs, see the <a href="#">Choosing a Time Range for Reports</a> , on page 26. |
| Top Incoming Virus Types Detected | This section displays a chart view of the viruses that have been sent to your network.  |
| Top Outgoing Virus Types Detected | This section displays a chart view of the viruses that have been sent from your network.  |
| Virus Types Detail                | An interactive table that shows the details of each virus type.   |



**Note** To see which hosts sent virus-infected messages to your network, go to the Incoming Mail page, specify the same reporting period, and sort by virus positive. Similarly, to see which IP addresses have sent virus positive email within your network, view the Outgoing Senders page and sort by virus positive messages.

From the **Virus Types** page you can also generate a PDF or export raw data to a CSV file. For information on printing or exporting a file, see the [Understanding the Email Reporting Pages](#), on page 56.



**Note** You can generate a scheduled report for the **Virus Types** page. See the [Scheduling Email Reports](#), on page 151.

## URL Filtering Page

- URL Filtering report modules are populated only if URL filtering is enabled.
- URL Filtering reports are available for incoming and outgoing messages.
- Only messages that are scanned by the URL filtering engine (either as part of anti-spam/outbreak filter scanning or through message/content filters) are included in these modules. However, not all of the results are necessarily specifically attributable to the URL Filtering feature.
- The Top URL Categories module includes all categories found in messages that have been scanned, whether or not they match a content or message filter.

- Each message can be associated with only one reputation level. For messages with multiple URLs, the statistics reflect the lowest reputation of any URL in the message.
- URLs in the global allowed list configured at Security Services > URL Filtering are not included in reports.

URLs in allowed lists used in individual filters are included in reports.

- Malicious URLs are URLs that Outbreak Filters have determined to have poor reputation. Neutral URLs are those that Outbreak Filters have determined to require click-time protection. Neutral URLs have therefore been rewritten to redirect them to the Cisco Web Security proxy.
- Results of URL category-based filters are reflected in content and message filter reports.
- Results of click-time URL evaluations by the Cisco Web Security proxy are not reflected in reports.

## Web Interaction Tracking Page

- Web Interaction Tracking report modules are populated only if the Web Interaction Tracking feature is enabled on managed Email Security appliances.
- Web Interaction Tracking reports are available for incoming and outgoing messages.
- Only rewritten URLs (either by policy or Outbreak Filter) clicked by the end users are included in these modules.
- Web Interaction Tracking page includes the following reports:

**Top Rewritten Malicious URLs clicked by End Users.** Click on a URL to view a detailed report that contains the following information:

- A list of end users who clicked on the rewritten malicious URL.
- Date and time at which the URL was clicked.
- Whether the URL was rewritten by a policy or an outbreak filter.
- Action taken (allow, block, or unknown) when the rewritten URL was clicked. Note that, if a URL was rewritten by outbreak filter and the final verdict is unavailable, the status is shown as unknown.




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**Note** Due to a limitation, status of all outbreak rewritten URLs are shown as unknown.

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### Top End Users who clicked on Rewritten Malicious URLs

**Tracking Web Interaction Details.** Includes the following information:

- A list of all the rewritten URLs (malicious and unmalicious). Click on a URL to view a detailed report.
- Action taken (allow, block, or unknown) when a rewritten URL was clicked.

If the verdict of a URL (clean or malicious) was unknown at the time when the end user clicked it, the status is shown as unknown. This could be because the URL was under further scrutiny or the web server was down or not reachable at the time of the user click.

- The number of times end users clicked on a rewritten URL. Click a number to view a list of all messages that contain the clicked URL.
- Note the following:

- If you have configured a content or message filter to deliver messages after rewriting malicious URLs and notify another user (for example, an administrator), the web interaction tracking data for the original recipient is incremented if the notified user clicks on the rewritten URLs.
- If you are sending a copy of quarantined messages containing rewritten URLs to a user other than the original recipient (for example, to an administrator) using the web interface, the web interaction tracking data for the original recipient is incremented if the other user clicks on the rewritten URLs.

## Forged Email Detection Page

- The Forged Email Detection page includes the following reports:
  - **Top Forged Email Detection.** Displays the top ten users in the content dictionary that matched the forged From: header in the incoming messages.
  - **Forged Email Detection Details.** Displays a list of all the users in the content dictionary that matched the forged From: header in the incoming messages and for a given user, the number of messages matched.
- The Forged Email Detection reports are populated only if you are using the Forged Email Detection content filter or the forged-email-detection message filter.

## Safe Print Page

You can use the Safe Print Action report page to view:

- Number of safe-printed attachments based on the file type in graphical format.
- Summary of safe-printed attachments based on the file type in tabular format.

In the 'Summary of Safe Print File Types' section, click the total number of safe-printed attachments to view the message details in Message Tracking.

## Advanced Phishing Protection Page

- [Advanced Phishing Protection Page on Legacy Web Interface, on page 80](#)
- [Advanced Phishing Protection Page on New Web Interface, on page 81](#)

## Advanced Phishing Protection Page on Legacy Web Interface

The **Email > Reporting > Advanced Phishing Protection** report page displays the following:

- Total number of messages successfully forwarded to the Cisco Advanced Phishing Protection cloud service.
- Total number of messages that are not forwarded to the Cisco Advanced Phishing Protection cloud service.





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**Note** If the forwarding of message metadata has failed, you must validate the configurations of the Advanced Phishing Protection feature. For more information, see the "Integrating Cisco Email Security Gateway with the Cisco Advanced Phishing Protection" chapter of the *User Guide for AsyncOS for Cisco Email Security Appliances*.

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You can use the Advanced Phishing Protection report page to view:

- Total number of messages attempted to be forwarded to the Cisco Advanced Phishing Protection cloud service, in a graphical format.
- Summary of messages forwarded to the Cisco Advanced Phishing Protection cloud service in a graphical format.

## Advanced Phishing Protection Page on New Web Interface

The **Monitoring > Advanced Phishing Protection** report page displays the following:

- Total number of messages successfully forwarded to the Cisco Advanced Phishing Protection cloud service.
- Total number of messages that are not forwarded to the Cisco Advanced Phishing Protection cloud service.



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**Note** If the forwarding of message metadata has failed, you must validate the configurations of the Advanced Phishing Protection feature. For more information, see the "Integrating Cisco Email Security Gateway with the Cisco Advanced Phishing Protection" chapter of the *User Guide for AsyncOS for Cisco Email Security Appliances*.

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You can use the Advanced Phishing Protection report page to view:

- Total number of messages attempted to be forwarded to the Cisco Advanced Phishing Protection cloud service, in a graphical format.

## Advanced Malware Protection (File Reputation and File Analysis) Reporting Pages

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## Requirements for File Analysis Report Details

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### (Cloud File Analysis) Ensure That the Management Appliance Can Reach the File Analysis Server

In order to obtain File Analysis report details, the appliance must be able to connect to the File Analysis server over port 443. See details in [Firewall Information, on page 569](#)

### (Cloud File Analysis) Configure the Management Appliance to Display Detailed File Analysis Results

In order to allow all content security appliances in your organization to display detailed results in the cloud about files sent for analysis from any Cisco Email Security appliance or Cisco Web Security appliance in your organization, you need to join all appliances to the same appliance group.

#### Procedure

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- Step 1** Access the File Analysis section on the web interface:
- In the Legacy Web Interface, click **Management Appliance > Centralized Services > Security Appliances** and scroll down to the File Analysis section.
  - In the New Web Interface, click **Service Status** and scroll down to the File Analysis section.
- Step 2** If your managed appliances are pointed at different File Analysis cloud servers, select the server from which to display result details.
- Result details will not be available for files processed by any other cloud server.
- Step 3** Enter the Analysis Group ID.
- If you enter the Group ID incorrectly or need to change it for any other reason, you must open a case with Cisco TAC.
  - This change takes effect immediately; it does not require a Commit.
  - It is suggested to use your CCOID for this value.
  - This value is case-sensitive.
  - This value must be identical on all appliances that will share data about files that are uploaded for analysis.
  - An appliance can belong to only one group.
  - You can add a machine to a group at any time, but you can add it only once.
- Step 4** Click **Group Now**.
- Step 5** Configure the same group on each Email Security appliance that will share data with this appliance.
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## What to do next

### Related Topics

[For Which Files Are Detailed File Analysis Results Visible in the Cloud?](#) , on page 86

## (On-Premises File Analysis) Activate the File Analysis Account

If you have deployed an on-premises (private cloud) Cisco AMP Threat Grid Appliance, you must activate the File Analysis account for your Cisco Content Security Management appliance in order to view report details available on the Threat Grid appliance. You generally only need to do this once.

### Before you begin

Ensure that you are receiving System alerts at Critical level.

### Procedure

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- Step 1** The first time you attempt to access File Analysis report details from the Threat Grid appliance, wait a few minutes and you will receive an alert that includes a link.
- If you do not receive this alert, go to **Management Appliance > System Administration > Alerts** and click **View Top Alerts**.
- Step 2** Click the link in the alert message.
- Step 3** Activate your management appliance account.
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### Additional Requirements

For any additional requirements, see the Release Notes for your Security Management appliance release, available from <http://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/support/security/content-security-management-appliance/products-release-notes-list.html>

## Identifying Files by SHA-256 Hash

Because filenames can easily be changed, the appliance generates an identifier for each file using a Secure Hash Algorithm (SHA-256). If an appliance processes the same file with different names, all instances are recognized as the same SHA-256. If multiple appliances process the same file, all instances of the file have the same SHA-256 identifier.

In most reports, files are listed by their SHA-256 value (in an abbreviated format).

## File Reputation and File Analysis Report Pages

| Report                      | Description   |
|-----------------------------|---|
| Advanced Malware Protection | <p>Shows file-based threats that were identified by the file reputation service.</p> <p>For files with changed verdicts, see the AMP Verdict updates report. Those verdicts are not reflected in the Advanced Malware Protection report.</p> <p>If a file extracted from a compressed or archived file is malicious, only the SHA value of the compressed or archived file is included in the Advanced Malware Protection report.</p> <p><b>Note</b> From AsyncOS 9.6.5 onwards, Advanced Malware Protection report has been enhanced to display additional fields, graphs, and so on. The report displayed after the upgrade does not include the reporting data prior to the upgrade. To view the Advanced Malware Protection report prior to AsyncOS 9.6.5 upgrade, click on the hyperlink at the bottom of the page.</p> <p>The <b>Incoming Malware Files by Category</b> section shows the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The percentage of blocked listed file SHAs received from the AMP reputation server that are categorized as <b>Malware</b>.</li> <li>• The percentage of blocked listed file SHAs received from the AMP for Endpoints console that are categorised as <b>Custom Detection</b>.</li> </ul> <p>The threat name of a blocked listed file SHA obtained from AMP for Endpoints console is displayed as <b>Simple Custom Detection</b> in the Incoming Malware Threat Files section of the report.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The percentage of blocked listed file SHAs received from the AMP for Endpoints console that are categorised as <b>Custom Threshold</b>.</li> </ul> <p>You can click on the link in the More Details section of the report to view the file trajectory details of a blocked listed file SHA in the AMP for Endpoints console</p> <p>You can view the <b>Low Risk</b> verdict details in the Incoming Files Handed by AMP section of the report.</p> |

| Report                                      | Description  |
|---|--|
| Advanced Malware Protection File Analysis   | <p>Displays the time and verdict (or interim verdict) for each file sent for analysis. The appliance checks for analysis results every 30 minutes.</p> <p>To view more than 1000 File Analysis results, export the data as a .csv file.</p> <p>For deployments with an on-premises Cisco AMP Threat Grid Appliance: Files that are included in the allowed lists on the AMP Threat Grid appliance show as "clean." For information about allowed list, see the AMP Threat Grid documentation or online help.</p> <p>Drill down to view detailed analysis results, including the threat characteristics for each file.</p> <p>You can also search for additional information about an SHA, or click the link at the bottom of the file analysis details page to view additional details on the server that analyzed the file.</p> <p>To view details on the server that analyzed a file, see <a href="#">Requirements for File Analysis Report Details</a> , on page 82.</p> <p>If a file extracted from a compressed or archived file is sent for analysis, only the SHA value of the extracted file is included in the File Analysis report.</p> <p><b>Note</b> From AsyncOS 9.6.5 onwards, File Analysis report has been enhanced to display additional fields, graphs, and so on. The report displayed after the upgrade does not include the reporting data prior to the upgrade. To view the File Analysis report prior to AsyncOS 9.6.5 upgrade, click on the hyperlink at the bottom of the page.</p> |
| Advanced Malware Protection Verdict Updates | <p>Because Advanced Malware Protection is focused on targeted and zero-day threats, threat verdicts can change as aggregated data provides more information.</p> <p>The AMP Verdict Updates report lists the files processed by this appliance for which the verdict has changed since the message was received. For more information about this situation, see the documentation for your Email Security appliance.</p> <p>To view more than 1000 verdict updates, export the data as a .csv file.</p> <p>In the case of multiple verdict changes for a single SHA-256, this report shows only the latest verdict, not the verdict history.</p> <p>To view all affected messages for a particular SHA-256 within the maximum available time range (regardless of the time range selected for the report) click a SHA-256 link.</p>  |

## Viewing File Reputation Filtering Data in Other Reports

Data for file reputation and analysis is available in other reports where relevant. A Detected by Advanced Malware Protection column may be hidden by default in applicable reports. To display additional columns, click the Columns link at the bottom of the table.

## For Which Files Are Detailed File Analysis Results Visible in the Cloud?

If you have deployed public-cloud File Analysis, you can view detailed results for all files uploaded from any managed appliance that has been added to the appliance group for File Analysis.

If you have added your management appliance to the group, you can view the list of managed appliances in the group by clicking the button on the **Management Appliance > Centralized Services > Security Appliances** page.

Appliances in the analysis group are identified by the File Analysis Client ID. To determine this identifier for a particular appliance, look in the following location:

| Appliance                                   | Location of File Analysis Client ID   |
|---|---|
| Email Security appliance                    | Advanced Settings for File Analysis section on the <b>Security Services &gt; File Reputation and Analysis</b> page. |
| Web Security appliance                      | Advanced Settings for File Analysis section on the <b>Security Services &gt; Anti-Malware and Reputation</b> page.  |
| Cisco Content Security Management appliance | At the bottom of the <b>Management Appliance &gt; Centralized Services &gt; Security Appliances</b> page.           |

### Related Topics

- [\(Cloud File Analysis\) Configure the Management Appliance to Display Detailed File Analysis Results](#), on page 82

## Mailbox Auto Remediation

You can view the details of the mailbox remediation results using the Mailbox Auto Remediation report page. Use this report to view details such as:

- A list of recipients for whom the mailbox remediation was successful or unsuccessful
- Remedial actions taken on messages
- The filenames associated with a SHA-256 hash

The **Recipients for whom remediation was unsuccessful** field is updated in the following scenarios:

- The recipient is not a valid Office 365 user or the recipient does not belong to the Office 365 domain account configured on your appliance.
- The message containing the attachment is no longer available in the mailbox, for example, the end user deleted the message.
- There was a connectivity issue between your appliance and Office 365 services when the appliance was trying to perform the configured remedial action.

Click on a SHA-256 hash to view the related messages in Message Tracking.



**Note** After upgrading to AsyncOS 13.6.1, the message tracking status of the messages received before the upgrade remains as "Delivered" than "Remediated."

## TLS Connections Page

The **Email > Reporting > TLS Connections** page shows the overall usage of TLS connections for sent and received mail. The report also shows details for each domain sending mail using TLS connections.

The TLS Connections page can be used to determine the following information:

- Overall, what portion of incoming and outgoing connections uses TLS?
- Which partners do I have successful TLS connections with?
- Which partners do I have unsuccessful TLS connections with?
- Which partners have issue with their TLS certificates?
- What percentage of overall mail with a partner uses TLS?

**Table 23: Details on the Email Reporting TLS Connections Page**

| Section                          | Description  |
|----------------------------------|--|
| Time Range (drop-down list)      | A drop-down list that can range from a day to 90 days or a custom range. For more information on time ranges and customizing this for your needs, see the <a href="#">Choosing a Time Range for Reports</a> , on page 26.  |
| Incoming TLS Connections Graph   | The graph displays a view of incoming TLS encrypted and unencrypted connections over the last hour, day, or week depending on the time frame that you have selected.   |
| Incoming TLS Connections Summary | This table displays the total volume of incoming messages, the volume of encrypted and unencrypted messages, and the volume of successful and failed incoming TLS encrypted messages.  |
| Incoming TLS Message Summary     | This table displays a summary of the total volume of incoming messages.  |
| Incoming TLS Connections Details | The table displays details for domains sending or receiving encrypted messages. For each domain, you can view the total number of connections, messages sent, and the number of TLS connections that were successful or failed. You can also view the percentage of successful and failed connections for each domain. |
| Outgoing TLS Connections Graph   | The graph displays a view of outgoing TLS encrypted and unencrypted connections over the last hour, day, or week depending on the time frame that you have selected.   |
| Outgoing TLS Connections Summary | This table displays the total volume of outgoing messages, the volume of encrypted and unencrypted messages, and the volume of successful and failed outgoing TLS encrypted messages.  |
| Outgoing TLS Message Summary     | This table shows the total volume of outgoing messages   |

| Section                          | Description   |
|----------------------------------|---|
| Outgoing TLS Connections Details | The table displays details for domains sending or receiving encrypted messages. For each domain, you can view the total number of connections, messages sent, and the number of TLS connections that were successful or failed, and the last TLS status. You can also view the percentage of successful and failed connections for each domain. |

## Inbound SMTP Authentication Page

The Inbound SMTP Authentication page shows the use of client certificates and the SMTP AUTH command to authenticate SMTP sessions between the Email Security appliance and users' mail clients. If the appliance accepts the certificate or SMTP AUTH command, it will establish a TLS connection to the mail client, which the client will use to send a message. Since it is not possible for the appliance to track these attempts on a per-user basis, the report shows details on SMTP authentication based on the domain name and domain IP address.

Use this report to determine the following information:

- Overall, how many incoming connections use SMTP authentication?
- How many connections use a client certificate?
- How many connections use SMTP AUTH?
- What domains are failing to connect when attempting to use SMTP authentication?
- How many connections are successfully using the fall-back when SMTP authentication fails?

The Inbound SMTP Authentication page includes a graph for received connections, a graph for mail recipients who attempted an SMTP authentication connection, and a table with details on the attempts to authenticate connections.

The Received Connections graph shows the incoming connections from mail clients that attempt to authenticate their connections using SMTP authentication over the time range you specify. The graph displays the total number of connections the appliance received, the number that did not attempt to authenticate using SMTP authentication, the number that failed and succeeded to authenticate the connection using a client certificate, and the number that failed and succeeded to authenticate using the SMTP AUTH command.

The Received Recipients graph displays the number of recipients whose mail clients attempted to authenticate their connections to the Email Security appliances to send messages using SMTP authentication. The graph also shows the number of recipients whose connections were authenticated and the number of recipients whose connections were not authenticated.

The SMTP Authentication details table displays details for the domains whose users attempt to authenticate their connections to the Email Security appliance to send messages. For each domain, you can view the number of connection attempts using a client certificate that were successful or failed, the number of connection attempts using the SMTP AUTH command that were successful or failed, and the number that fell back to the SMTP AUTH after their client certificate connection attempt failed. You can use the links at the top of the page to display this information by domain name or domain IP address.

## Rate Limits Page

Rate Limiting by envelope sender allows you to limit the number of email message recipients per time interval from an individual sender, based on the mail-from address. The Rate Limits report shows you the senders who most egregiously exceed this limit.



Use this report to help you identify the following:

- Compromised user accounts that might be used to send spam in bulk.
- Out-of-control applications in your organization that use email for notifications, alerts, automated statements, etc.
- Sources of heavy email activity in your organization, for internal billing or resource-management purposes.
- Sources of large-volume inbound email traffic that might not otherwise be considered spam.

Note that other reports that include statistics for internal senders (such as Internal Users or Outgoing Senders) measure only the number of messages sent; they do not identify senders of a few messages to a large number of recipients.

The Top Offenders by Incident chart shows the envelope senders who most frequently attempted to send messages to more recipients than the configured limit. Each attempt is one incident. This chart aggregates incident counts from all listeners.

The Top Offenders by Rejected Recipients chart shows the envelope senders who sent messages to the largest number of recipients above the configured limit. This chart aggregates recipient counts from all listeners.

Rate Limiting settings, including “Rate Limit for Envelope Senders” settings, are configured on the Email Security appliance in Mail Policies > Mail Flow Policies. For more information on rate limiting, see the documentation or online help for your Email Security appliance.

#### Related Topics

- [High Volume Mail](#) , on page 75

## Outbreak Filters Page

The **Email > Reporting > Outbreak Filters** page shows information about recent outbreaks and messages quarantined due to Outbreak Filters. You can use this page to monitor your defense against targeted virus, scam, and phishing attacks.

Use the Outbreak Filters page to answer the following types of questions:

- How many messages are quarantined and by which Outbreak Filters rule?
- How much lead time has the Outbreak Filters feature been providing for virus outbreaks?
- How do the local outbreaks compare to the global outbreaks?
- How long do messages stay in the Outbreak Quarantine?
- Which potentially malicious URLs are most frequently seen?

The Threats By Type section shows the different types of threat messages received by the appliance. The Threat Summary section shows a breakdown of the messages by Virus, Phish, and Scam.

The Past Year Outbreak Summary lists global as well as local outbreaks over the past year, allowing you to compare local network trends to global trends. The listing of global outbreaks is a superset of all outbreaks, both viral and non-viral, whereas local outbreaks are limited to virus outbreaks that have affected your appliance. Local outbreak data does not include non-viral threats. Global outbreak data represents all outbreaks detected by the Threat Operations Center which exceeded the currently configured threshold for the outbreak quarantine. Local outbreak data represents all virus outbreaks detected on this appliance which exceeded the currently configured threshold for the outbreak quarantine. The Total Local Protection Time is always based on the difference between when each virus outbreak was detected by the Threat Operations Center and the release of an anti-virus signature by a major vendor. Note that not every global outbreak affects your appliance. A value of “--” indicates either a protection time does not exist, or the signature times were not available from

the anti-virus vendors (some vendors may not report signature times). This does not indicate a protection time of zero, rather it means that the information required to calculate the protection time is not available.

The Quarantined Messages section summarizes Outbreak Filters quarantining, and is a useful gauge of how many potential threat messages Outbreak Filters are catching. Quarantined messages are counted at time of release. Typically, messages will be quarantined before anti-virus and anti-spam rules are available. When released, they will be scanned by the anti-virus and anti-spam software and determined to be positive or clean. Because of the dynamic nature of Outbreak tracking, the rule under which a message is quarantined (and even the associated outbreak) may change while the message is in the quarantine. Counting the messages at the time of release (rather than the time of entry into the quarantine) avoids the confusion of having counts that increase and decrease.

The Threat Details listing displays information about specific outbreaks, including the threat category (virus, scam, or phishing), threat name, a description of the threat, and the number of messages identified. For virus outbreaks, the Past Year Virus Outbreaks include the Outbreak name and ID, time and date a virus outbreak was first seen globally, the protection time provided by Outbreak filters, and the number of quarantined messages. You can choose whether to view global or local outbreaks.

The First Seen Globally time is determined by the Threat Operations Center, based on data from the SenderBase, the world's largest email and web traffic monitoring network. The Protection Time is based on the difference between when each threat was detected by the Threat Operations Center and the release of an anti-virus signature by a major vendor.

A value of "--" indicates either a protection time does not exist, or the signature times were not available from the anti-virus vendors (some vendors may not report signature times). This does not indicate a protection time of zero. Rather, it means that the information required to calculate the protection time is not available.

Other modules on this page provide:

- The number of incoming messages processed by Outbreak Filters in the selected time period.

Non-viral threats include phishing emails, scams, and malware distribution using links to an external website.

- Severity of threats caught by Outbreak Filters.

Level 5 threats are severe in scope or impact, while Level 1 represents low threat risk. For descriptions of threat levels, see the online help or user guide for your Email Security appliance.

- Length of time messages spent in the Outbreak Quarantine.

This duration is determined by the time it takes the system to compile enough data about the potential threat to make a verdict on its safety. Messages with viral threats typically spend more time in the quarantine than those with non-viral threats, because they must wait for anti-virus program updates. The maximum retention time that you specify for each mail policy is also reflected.

- The URLs most frequently rewritten to redirect message recipients to the Cisco Web Security Proxy for click-time evaluation of the site if and when the recipient clicks a potentially malicious link in a message.

This list may include URLs that are not malicious, because if any URL in a message is deemed malicious, then all URLs in the message are rewritten.




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**Note** In order to correctly populate the tables on the Outbreak Filters reporting page, the appliance must be able to communicate with the Cisco update servers specified in Management Appliance > System Administration > Update Settings.

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For more information, see the Outbreak Filters chapter.

## Reporting of Graymail

Graymail statistics are reflected in the following reports:

| Report   | Contains the Following Graymail Data   |
|--|--|
| Mail Flow Summary page > Incoming tab          | The number of incoming graymail messages under each graymail category (Marketing, Social, and Bulk) and the total number of graymail messages.   |
| Mail Flow Details page > Outgoing Senders tab  | The top graymail senders.  |
| Mail Flow Details page > Incoming Mails tab    | The number of incoming graymail messages under each graymail category (Marketing, Social, and Bulk) and the total number of graymail messages for all the IP addresses, domain names, or network owners. |
| User Mail Summary page > Top Users by Graymail | The top end users who receive graymail.  |
| User Mail Summary page > User Mail Details     | The number of incoming graymail messages under each graymail category (Marketing, Social, and Bulk) and the total number of graymail messages for all the users.   |

### Related Topics

- [Reporting of Marketing Messages after Upgrade to AsyncOS 9.5 , on page 91](#)

## Reporting of Marketing Messages after Upgrade to AsyncOS 9.5

After upgrade to AsyncOS 9.5:

- The number of marketing messages is the sum of marketing messages detected before and after the upgrade.
- The total number of graymail messages does not include the number of marketing messages detected before the upgrade.
- The total number of attempted messages also includes the number of marketing messages detected before the upgrade.
- If the graymail feature is not enabled on managed Email Security appliances, marketing messages are counted as clean messages.

## System Capacity Page

The **Email > Reporting > System Capacity** page provides a detailed representation of the system load, including messages in the work queue, incoming and outgoing messages (volume, size, and number), overall CPU usage, CPU usage by function, and memory page swapping information.

The System Capacity page can be used to determine the following information:

- Identify when Email Security appliances are exceeding recommended capacity; this enables you to determine when configuration optimization or additional appliances are needed.

- Identify historical trends in system behavior that point to upcoming capacity issues.
- For troubleshooting, identify which parts of the system are using the most resources.

Monitor your Email Security appliances to ensure that the capacity is appropriate to your message volumes. Over time, volume inevitably rises and appropriate monitoring ensures that additional capacity or configuration changes can be applied proactively. The most effective way to monitor system capacity is to track the overall volume, the messages in the work queue, and the incidents of Resource Conservation Mode.

- **Volume:** It is important to understand the “normal” message volume and the “usual” spikes in your environment. Track this data over time to measure volume growth. You can use the Incoming Mail and Outgoing Mail pages to track volume over time. For more information, see [System Capacity – Incoming Mail, on page 93](#) and [System Capacity – Outgoing Mail, on page 93](#).
- **Work Queue:** The work queue is designed to work as a “shock absorber”—absorbing and filtering spam attacks and processing unusual increases in non-spam messages. However, the work queue can also indicate a system under stress. Prolonged and frequent work queue backups may indicate a capacity problem. You can use the System Capacity – Workqueue page to track the activity in your work queue. For more information, see [System Capacity – Workqueue, on page 92](#).
- **Resource Conservation Mode:** When an appliance becomes overloaded, it enters Resource Conservation Mode (RCM) and sends a CRITICAL system alert. This is designed to protect the device and allow it to process any backlog of messages. Your appliance should enter RCM infrequently and only during a very large or unusual increase in mail volume. Frequent RCM alerts may be an indication that the system is becoming overloaded. See [Resource Conservation Activity, on page 94](#).

## How to Interpret the Data You See on System Capacity Page

When choosing time ranges for viewing data on the System Capacity page, the following is important to remember:

- **Day Report—** The Day report queries the hour table and displays the exact number of queries that have been received by the appliance on an hourly basis over a 24 hour period. This information is gathered from the hour table. This is an exact number.
- **Month Report—** The Month report queries the day tables for the 30 or 31 days (dependent on the number of days in the month), giving you an exact report on the number of queries over 30 or 31 days. Again, this is an exact number.

The ‘Maximum’ value indicator on the System Capacity page is the highest value seen for the specified period. The ‘Average’ value is the average of all values for the specified period. The period of aggregation depends on the interval selected for that report. For example, you can choose to see the Average and Maximum values for each day if the chart is for a month period.

You can click the View Details link for a specific graph to view data for individual Email Security appliances and overall data for the appliances connected to the Security Management appliance.

## System Capacity – Workqueue

The Workqueue page shows the average time a message spends in the work queue, excluding any time spent in the Spam quarantine or in a policy, virus, or outbreak quarantine. You can view time periods from an hour up to one month. This average can help in identifying both short term events delaying mail delivery and identify long term trends in the workload on the system.



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**Note** If a message is released from the quarantine into the work queue, the “average time in work queue” metric ignores this time. This prevents double-counting and distorted statistics due to extended time spent in a quarantine.

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The report also shows the volume of messages in the work queue over a specified time period, and it shows the maximum messages in the work queue over the same time period. The graphical representation of the maximum messages in the work queue also shows the work queue threshold level.

Occasional spikes in the Workqueue graphs are normal and expected. If the messages in the work queue remain higher than the configured threshold for a long duration, this may indicate a capacity issue. In this scenario, consider tuning the threshold level or review the system configuration.

To change the work queue threshold level, see [Adjusting the Reference Threshold in System Health Graphs for Email Security Appliances, on page 497](#).



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**Tip** When reviewing the work queue page, you may want to measure the frequency of work queue backups, and take note of work queue backups that exceed 10,000 messages.

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## System Capacity – Incoming Mail

The System Capacity – Incoming Mail page shows incoming connections, the total number of incoming messages, the average message size, and the total incoming message size. You can view the results for a day, week, month, or year. It is important to understand the trends of normal message volume and spikes in your environment. You can use the System Capacity – Incoming Mail page to track volume growth over time and plan for system capacity. You might also want to compare the incoming mail data with the sender profile data to view the trends in volumes of email messages that are sent from specific domains to your network.



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**Note** An increased number of incoming connections may not necessarily affect system load.

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## System Capacity – Outgoing Mail

The System Capacity – Outgoing Mail page shows outgoing connections, the total number of outgoing messages, the average message size, and the total outgoing message size. You can view the results for a day, week, month, or year. It is important to understand the trends of normal message volume and spikes in your environment. You can use the System Capacity – Outgoing Mail page to track volume growth over time and plan for system capacity. You might also want to compare the outgoing mail data with the outgoing destinations data to view the trends in volumes of email messages that are sent from specific domains or IP addresses.

## System Capacity – System Load

The system load report shows the following:

- [Overall CPU Usage, on page 94](#)
- [Memory Page Swapping, on page 94](#)
- [Resource Conservation Activity, on page 94](#)

## Overall CPU Usage

Email Security appliances are optimized to use idle CPU resources to improve message throughput. High CPU usage may not indicate a system capacity problem. If the high CPU usage is coupled with consistent, high-volume memory page swapping, you may have a capacity problem.




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**Note** This graph also indicates a threshold for CPU usage that is a visual reference only. To adjust the position of this line, see [Adjusting the Reference Threshold in System Health Graphs for Email Security Appliances, on page 497](#). You can configure your Email Security appliances to send you alerts that will suggest actions that you can take to address capacity issues.

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This page also shows a graph that displays the amount of CPU used by different functions, including mail processing, spam and virus engines, reporting, and quarantines. The CPU-by-function graph is a good indicator of which areas of the product use the most resources on your system. If you need to optimize your appliance, this graph can help you determine which functions may need to be tuned or disabled.

## Memory Page Swapping

The memory page swapping graph shows how frequently the system must page to disk, in kilobytes per second.

The system is designed to swap memory regularly, so some memory swapping is expected and is not an indication of problems with your appliance. Unless the system *consistently* swaps memory in high volumes, memory swapping is normal and expected behavior (especially on C170 appliances). To improve performance, you may need to add Email Security appliances to your network or tune your configuration to ensure maximum throughput.




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**Note** This graph also indicates a threshold for memory page swapping that is a visual reference only. To adjust the position of this line, see [Adjusting the Reference Threshold in System Health Graphs for Email Security Appliances, on page 497](#). You can configure your Email Security appliances to send you alerts that will suggest actions that you can take to address capacity issues.

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## Resource Conservation Activity

The resource conservation activity graph shows the number of times the Email Security appliance entered Resource Conservation Mode (RCM). For example, if the graph shows *n* times, it means that the appliance has entered RCM *n* times and exited at least *n*-1 times.

Your appliances should enter RCM infrequently and only during a very large or unusual increase in mail volume. If the Resource Conservation Activity graph shows that your appliance is entering RCS frequently, it may be an indication that the system is becoming overloaded.

## System Capacity – All

The **All** page consolidates all the previous system capacity reports onto a single page so you can view the relationship between the different reports. For example, you might see that the message queue is high at the same time that excessive memory swapping takes place. This might be an indication that you have a capacity problem. You may want to save this page as a PDF file to preserve a snapshot of system performance for later reference (or to share with support staff).

## Threshold Indicator in System Capacity Graphs

In some graphs, a line indicates the default value that may indicate a possible problem if it is frequently or consistently crossed. To adjust this visual indicator, see [Adjusting the Reference Threshold in System Health Graphs for Email Security Appliances, on page 497](#).

## Reporting Data Availability Page

The **Email > Reporting > Reporting Data Availability** page allows you to view, update and sort data to provide real-time visibility into resource utilization and email traffic trouble spots.

All data resource utilization and email traffic trouble spots are shown from this page, including the data availability for the overall appliances that are managed by the Security Management appliance.

From this report page you can also view the data availability for a specific appliance and time range.

# Understanding the Email Reporting Pages on the New Web Interface



**Note** This list represents the reports available in the latest supported release of AsyncOS for Email Security appliances under the **Reports** drop-down of the web interface. For more information, see [Using the Interactive Report Pages, on page 37](#). If your Email Security appliances are running earlier releases of AsyncOS, not all of these reports are available.

**Table 24: Email Reports Drop-down Options**

| Reports Drop-down Option   | Action  |
|--|---|
| Mail Flow Summary Page   | The Mail Flow Summary report page provides a synopsis of the activity on your Email Security appliances. It includes graphs and summary tables for the incoming and outgoing messages.<br><br>For more information, see the <a href="#">Mail Flow Summary Page, on page 99</a> .  |
| System Capacity Page   | The System Capacity report page shows detailed information about the overall workload of the reporting data, sent to the Security Management appliance.<br><br>For more information, see the <a href="#">System Capacity Page, on page 104</a> .  |
| <b>File and Malware Reports</b>                                      |   |
| Advanced Malware Protection Page (File Reputation and File Analysis) | The Advanced Malware Protection report page shows reporting views that displays details of Summary, File Reputation, File Analysis, File Retrospection and Mailbox Auto Remediation, for incoming and outgoing file-based threats.<br><br>For more information, see the <a href="#">Advanced Malware Protection Page, on page 108</a> . |

| Reports Drop-down Option      | Action  |
|-------------------------------|---|
| Virus Filtering Page          | <p>The Virus Filtering report page provides an overview of the viruses that are sent to and from your network. This page displays the viruses that have been detected by the virus scanning engines running on the Email Security appliances and are displayed on the Security Management appliance. Use this report to take action against a particular virus.</p> <p>For more information, see the <a href="#">Virus Filtering Page, on page 114</a>.</p>   |
| Macro Detection Page          | <p>The Macro Detection report page shows the top incoming and outgoing macro-enabled attachments by file type detected by the content filter and message filters.</p> <p>For more information, see the <a href="#">Macro Detection Page, on page 115</a>.</p>   |
| <b>Email Threat Reports</b>   |   |
| DMARC Verification Page       | <p>The DMARC Verification report page shows the top sender domains that failed Domain-based Message Authentication, Reporting and Conformance (DMARC) verification, and a summary of the actions taken for incoming messages from each domain.</p> <p>For more information, see the <a href="#">DMARC Verification Page, on page 116</a>.</p>   |
| Outbreak Filtering Page       | <p>The Outbreak Filters page shows information about recent outbreaks and the messages quarantined by Outbreak Filters. Use this page to monitor your defense against phishing, scam, virus and malware attacks.</p> <p>For more information, see the <a href="#">Outbreak Filtering Page, on page 117</a>.</p>   |
| URL Filtering Page            | <p>Use this page to view the URL categories most frequently occurring in messages, the most common URLs in spam messages, and the number of malicious and neutral URLs seen in messages.</p> <p>For more information, see the <a href="#">URL Filtering Page, on page 118</a>.</p>  |
| Forged Email Detection Page   | <p>The Forged Email Detection report page includes the following reports:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Top Forged Email Detection.</b> Displays the top ten users in the content dictionary that matched the forged From: header in the incoming messages.</li> <li>• <b>Forged Email Detection: Details.</b> Displays a list of all the users in the content dictionary that matched the forged From: header in the incoming messages and for a given user, the number of messages matched.</li> </ul> <p>For more information, see the <a href="#">Forged Email Detection Page, on page 120</a>.</p> |
| Sender Domain Reputation Page | <p>You can use this report page to view incoming messages based on the verdict received and threat category from the SDR service</p> <p>For more information, see the <a href="#">Sender Domain Reputation Page, on page 120</a>.</p>   |



| Reports Drop-down Option           | Action   |
|------------------------------------|--|
| External Threat Feeds Page         | <p>The External Threat Feeds page shows the following reports:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Top ETF sources that is used to detect threats in messages.</li> <li>• Top IOCs that matched threats detected in messages.</li> <li>• Top ETF sources that is used to filter malicious incoming mail connections</li> </ul> <p>For more information, see the <a href="#">External Threat Feeds Page, on page 121</a>.</p>                                      |
| Safe Print                         | <p>You can use the Safe Print report page to view:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Number of safe-printed attachments based on the file type in graphical format.</li> <li>• Summary of safe-printed attachments based on the file type in tabular format.</li> </ul> <p>For more information, see the <a href="#">Safe Print Page , on page 80</a>.</p>  |
| Advanced Phishing Protection Page  | <p>You can use the Advanced Phishing Protection report page to view:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Total number of messages successfully forwarded to the Cisco Advanced Phishing Protection cloud service.</li> <li>• Total number of messages that are not forwarded to the Cisco Advanced Phishing Protection cloud service.</li> </ul> <p>For more information, see the <a href="#">Advanced Phishing Protection Reports Page, on page 121</a>.</p>     |
| <b>Connection and Flow Reports</b> |  |
| Mail Flow Details Page             | <p>The Mail Flow Details report page provides interactive reporting on the real-time information for all remote hosts connecting to your managed Email Security appliances. You can gather information about the IP addresses, domains, and network owners (organizations) sending mail to your system.</p> <p>For more information, see the <a href="#">Mail Flow Details Page, on page 122</a>.</p>  |
| Sender Groups Page                 | <p>The Sender Groups report page provides a summary of connections by sender group and mail flow policy action, allowing you to review SMTP connection and mail flow policy trends.</p> <p>For more information, see the <a href="#">Sender Groups Page, on page 129</a>.</p>  |
| Outgoing Destinations Page         | <p>The Outgoing Destinations report page provides information about the domains that your organization sends mail to. The top of the page includes graphs depicting the top destinations by outgoing threat messages and top destinations by outgoing clean messages. The bottom of the page displays a chart with columns sorted by total recipients (default setting).</p> <p>For more information, see the <a href="#">Outgoing Destinations Page, on page 129</a>.</p> |

| Reports Drop-down Option         | Action  |
|----------------------------------|---|
| TLS Encryption Page              | <p>The TLS Encryption report page shows the overall usage of TLS connections for sent and received mail. The report also shows details for each domain sending mail using TLS connections.</p> <p>For more information, see the <a href="#">TLS Encryption Page, on page 131</a>.</p>   |
| Inbound SMTP Authentication Page | <p>The Inbound SMTP authentication report page shows the use of client certificates and the SMTP AUTH command to authenticate SMTP sessions between the Email Security appliance and users' mail clients.</p> <p>For more information, see the <a href="#">Inbound SMTP Authentication Page, on page 134</a>.</p>   |
| Rate Limits Page                 | <p>The Rate Limits report page shows the mail senders (based on MAIL-FROM address) who exceed the threshold you set for the number of message recipients per sender.</p> <p>For more information, see the <a href="#">Rate Limits Page, on page 135</a>.</p>  |
| Connections by Country Page      | <p>The Connections by Country report page shows the:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Top incoming mail connections based on country of origin in graphical format.</li> <li>• Total incoming mail connections and messages based on country of origin in tabular format.</li> </ul> <p>For more information, see the <a href="#">Connections by Country Page, on page 136</a>.</p>   |
| Domain Protection Page           | <p>You can use the Domain Protection report page of the new web interface of your appliance to view:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Summary of messages that are classified as legitimate or threat, in a graphical format.</li> <li>• Summary of the destination domains details based on the senders, in a tabular format.</li> </ul> <p>For more information, see the <a href="#">Domain Protection Page, on page 136</a>.</p> |
| <b>User Reports</b>              |   |
| User Mail Summary Page           | <p>The User Mail Summary report provides information about the mail sent and received by your internal users per email address. A single user can have multiple email addresses. The email addresses are not combined in the report.</p> <p>For more information, see the <a href="#">User Mail Summary, on page 137</a>.</p>   |
| DLP Incident Summary Page        | <p>The DLP Incident Summary report page shows information on the incidents of data loss prevention (DLP) policy violations occurring in outgoing mail.</p> <p>For more information, see the <a href="#">DLP Incident Summary Page, on page 140</a>.</p>   |

| Reports Drop-down Option | Action  |
|--------------------------|---|
| Web Interaction Page     | <p>The Web Interaction report page identifies the end users who clicked URLs rewritten by policy or Outbreak Filter, and the action associated with each user click.</p> <p>For more information, see the <a href="#">Web Interaction Page, on page 141</a>.</p>  |
| Remediation Reports Page | <p>You can now monitor the remediation results for Mailbox Auto Remediation and Mailbox Search and Remediate using the Remediation Report.</p> <p>This report provides a summary of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Total number of messages attempted for remediation using Mailbox Auto Remediation and Mailbox Search and Remediate.</li> <li>• Number of messages successfully remediated for a configured remedial action.</li> <li>• Number of messages for which the remediation failed.</li> </ul> <p>Click the Mailbox Auto Remediation and Mailbox Search and Remediate tabs in the report to view details about the messages for which the remediation was attempted.</p> <p>For more information, see the <a href="#">Remediation Reports Page, on page 142</a></p> |
| <b>Filter Reports</b>    |   |
| Message Filters Page     | <p>The Message Filters report page shows information about the top message filter matches (which message filters had the largest number of matching messages) for incoming and outgoing messages.</p> <p>For more information, see the <a href="#">Message Filters Page, on page 144</a>.</p>   |
| High Volume Mail Page    | <p>The High Volume Mail report page identifies attacks involving a large number of messages from a single sender, or with identical subjects, within a moving one-hour period.</p> <p>For more information, see the <a href="#">High Volume Mail Page, on page 145</a>.</p>   |
| Content Filters Page     | <p>The Content Filters report page shows information about the top incoming and outgoing content filter matches (which content filter had the most matching messages). This page also displays the data as both bar charts and listings.</p> <p>For more information, see the <a href="#">Content Filters Page, on page 145</a>.</p>  |

## Mail Flow Summary Page

The Mail Flow Summary report page on the Security Management appliance provides a synopsis of the email message activity from your Email Security appliances. The Mail Flow Summary report page includes graphs and summary tables for the incoming and outgoing messages.

The Mail Flow Summary: Incoming report page shows the incoming mail graphs for the total number of messages that are processed and blocked by the appliance, as well as the summary of the incoming mails.

You can use the mail trend graphs on this page to monitor the flow of all the incoming mails that are processed and blocked by your appliances, based on the selected time range. For more information, see [Choosing a Time Range for Reports](#) , on page 26.

To search for specific information within your data, see [Searching and the Interactive Email Report Pages](#) , on page 55

The following mail trend graphs provide a visual representation of the incoming mail flow:

- Threat Detection Summary
- Content Summary

You can view the mail trend of the incoming messages based on the required counters for the respective categories. For more information, see [Using Counters to Filter Data on the Trend Graphs](#), on page 41.

The Mail Flow Summary: Outgoing report page shows the outgoing mail graphs for the total number of messages that are processed and delivered by the appliance, as well as the summary of the outgoing mail.

You can use the mail trend graphs on this page to monitor the flow of all the outgoing mails that are processed and delivered by your appliances, based on the selected time range. For more information, see [Choosing a Time Range for Reports](#) , on page 26.

The following mail trend graphs provide a visual representation of the mail flow of the Outgoing Mails.

You can view the mail trend of the outgoing messages based on the required counters of the processed messages. For more information, see [Using Counters to Filter Data on the Trend Graphs](#), on page 41.

The following list explains the various sections on the Mail Flow Summary report page:

**Table 25: Details on the Mail Flow Summary Page**

| Section                            | Description  |
|------------------------------------|--|
| <b>Mail Flow Summary: Incoming</b> |  |
| Number of Messages                 | The Number of Messages graph provides a visual representation of the total number of messages processed, including the messages that are processed as threat messages. |
| Threat Messages                    | The Threat Messages graph provides a visual representation of the total number of messages that are blocked by the Email Security appliance.                           |

| Section                            | Description   |
|------------------------------------|---|
| Threat Detection Summary           | <p>The Threat Detection Summary mail trend graph provides a visual representation based on the following categories:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Connection and Reputation Filtering:</b> Messages that are categorized as threat by the Reputation Filtering and Invalid Recipients.</li> <li>• <b>Spam Detection:</b> Messages that are categorized as threat by the Anti-spam scanning engine.</li> <li>• <b>Email Spoofing:</b> Messages which are categorized as threat due to DMARC Verification failure.</li> <li>• <b>Outbreak Threat Summary:</b> Messages which are categorized as phishing, scam, virus or malware, by the Outbreak Filtering engine.</li> <li>• <b>Attachment and Malware Detection:</b> Messages that are categorized as threat by the Anti-virus and AMP engines.</li> <li>• <b>All Categories:</b> All the messages that are categorized as threat.</li> </ul> |
| Content Summary                    | <p>The Content Summary mail trend graph provides a visual representation based on the following categories:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Graymail:</b> Messages that are categorized as marketing, bulk or social networking.</li> <li>• <b>Content Filters:</b> Messages that are categorized by the content filters.</li> <li>• <b>All Categories:</b> All the messages that are categorized by graymail engines and content filters.</li> </ul>   |
| <b>Mail Flow Summary: Outgoing</b> |   |
| Number of Messages                 | The Number of Messages graph provides a visual representation of the total number of messages processed, including the messages that are processed as clean.  |
| Message Delivery                   | The Message Delivery graph provides a visual representation of the total number of messages that are delivered, including hard bounces.   |
| Outgoing Mails                     | <p>The Outgoing Mails trend graph provides a visual representation based on the following categories:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Spam Detected</li> <li>• Virus Detected</li> <li>• Detected by AMP</li> <li>• Stopped by Content Filters</li> <li>• Stopped by DLP</li> </ul>  |

**Related Topics**

- [How Email Messages Are Categorized by the Appliances, on page 63](#)
- [How Incoming Mail Messages are Counted, on page 63](#)
- [Categorizing Email Messages on the Mail Flow Summary Page, on page 102](#)

**How Incoming Mail Messages are Counted**

Counts of incoming messages are dependent on the number of recipients per message. For example, an incoming message from example.com sent to three recipients is counted as three messages coming from that sender.

Because the messages blocked by sender reputation filtering do not actually enter the work queue, the appliance does not have access to the list of recipients for an incoming message. In this case, a multiplier is used to estimate the number of recipients. This multiplier is based on research of a large sampling of existing customer data.

**How Email Messages Are Categorized by the Appliances**

As messages proceed through the email pipeline, they can apply to multiple categories. For example, a message can be marked as spam or virus positive; it can also match a content filter. The precedence of the various filters and scanning activities greatly impacts the results of message processing.

In the example above, the various verdicts follow these rules of precedence:

- Spam positive
- Virus positive
- Matching a content filter

Following these rules, if a message is marked as spam positive, and your anti-spam settings are set to drop spam positive messages, the message is dropped and the spam counter is incremented.

Further, if your anti-spam settings are set to let the spam positive message continue on in the email pipeline, and a subsequent content filter drops, bounces, or quarantines the message, the spam count is still incremented. The content filter count is only incremented if the message is not spam or virus positive.

Alternately, if the message were quarantined by Outbreak Filters, it would not be counted until it was released from the quarantine and again processed through the work queue.

For complete information about message processing precedence, see chapter about the email pipeline in the online help or user guide for your Email Security appliance.

**Categorizing Email Messages on the Mail Flow Summary Page**

Incoming messages that are considered as threat, and outgoing messages that are delivered in the Mail Flow Summary report page are categorized as follows:

*Table 26: Email Categories on Mail Flow Summary Page*

| Category                           | Description |
|------------------------------------|-------------|
| <b>Mail Flow Summary: Incoming</b> |             |

| Category             | Description  |
|----------------------|--|
| Reputation Filtering | <p>All connections blocked by HAT policies, multiplied by a fixed multiplier, (see the <a href="#">How Incoming Mail Messages are Counted, on page 63</a>) and added with all recipients blocked by recipient throttling.</p> <p>The value for Stopped by Reputation Filtering is calculated based on the following factors:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Number of “throttled” messages from this sender.</li> <li>• Number of rejected or TCP refused connections (may be a partial count).</li> <li>• A conservative multiplier for the number of messages per connection.</li> </ul> <p>When the appliance is under heavy load, an exact count of rejected connections is not maintained on a per-sender basis. Instead, rejected connections counts are maintained only for the most significant senders in each time interval. In this situation, the value shown can be interpreted as an indicative value of the least number of messages are stopped.</p> <p>The Reputation Filtering total count and percentage on the Mail Flow Summary report page is always based on a complete count of all rejected connections. Only the per-sender connection counts are limited due to load.</p> |
| Invalid Recipients   | <p>The total count and percentage of all mail recipients rejected by conversational LDAP rejection in addition to all RAT rejections.</p>  |
| Anti-Spam            | <p>The total count and percentage of incoming messages detected by the anti-spam scanning engine as positive or suspect. Additionally, messages that are both spam and virus positive.</p>   |
| Anti-Virus           | <p>The total count and percentage of incoming messages detected as virus positive and not also spam.</p> <p>The following messages are counted in the “Virus Detected” category:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Messages with a virus scan result of “Repaired” or “Infectious”</li> <li>• Messages with a virus scan result of “Encrypted” when the option to count encrypted messages as containing viruses is selected</li> <li>• Messages with a virus scan result of “Unscannable” when the action for unscannable messages is NOT “Deliver”</li> <li>• Messages with a virus scan result of “Unscannable” or “Encrypted” when the option to deliver to an alternate mail host or an alternate recipient is selected</li> <li>• Messages that are deleted from the Outbreak quarantine, either manually or by timing out.</li> </ul>  |

| Category                              | Description  |
|---------------------------------------|--|
| Advanced Malware Protection           | The total count and percentage of incoming messages blocked by the file analysis service.<br><br>A message attachment was found to be malicious by file reputation filtering. This value does not include verdict updates or files found to be malicious by file analysis. |
| Content Filter                        | The total count and percentage of incoming messages that are stopped by message and content filters.   |
| DMARC Policy                          | The total count and percentage of incoming messages that failed DMARC verification policy.   |
| S/MIME Verification/Decryption Failed | The total count and percentage of incoming messages that failed S/MIME verification, decryption, or both.  |
| <b>Mail Flow Summary: Outgoing</b>    |  |
| Hard Bounces                          | The total count and percentage of outgoing messages that are permanently undeliverable.  |
| Delivered                             | The total count and percentage of outgoing messages that are delivered.  |



**Note** If you have configured your anti-virus settings to deliver unscannable or encrypted messages, these messages will be counted as clean messages and not virus positive. Otherwise, the messages are counted as virus positive. Additionally, if messages match a message filter and are not dropped or bounced by the filter, they are treated as clean. Messages dropped or bounced by a message filter are not counted in the totals.

#### Related Topics

[Mail Flow Details Page, on page 122](#)

## System Capacity Page

The System Capacity report page provides a detailed representation of the system load, including messages in the work queue, incoming and outgoing messages (volume, size, and number), overall CPU usage, CPU usage by function, and memory page swapping information.

The System Capacity report page can be used to determine the following information:

- Identify when Email Security appliances are exceeding recommended capacity; this enables you to determine when configuration optimization or additional appliances are needed.
- Identify historical trends in system behavior that point to upcoming capacity issues.
- For troubleshooting, identify which parts of the system are using the most resources.

To view the System Capacity report page on the Security Management appliance, select **Email** from the Product drop-down and choose **Monitoring > System Capacity** from the Reports drop-down. For more information, see [Using the Interactive Report Pages, on page 37](#).



You can monitor your Email Security appliances to ensure that the capacity is appropriate to your message volumes. Over time, volume inevitably rises and appropriate monitoring ensures that additional capacity or configuration changes can be applied proactively. The most effective way to monitor system capacity is to track the overall volume, the messages in the work queue, and the incidents of Resource Conservation Mode.

- **Volume:** It is important to understand the “normal” message volume and the “usual” spikes in your environment. Track this data over time to measure volume growth. You can use the Incoming Mail and Outgoing Mail pages to track volume over time. For more information, see [System Capacity – Incoming Mail, on page 93](#) and [System Capacity – Outgoing Mail, on page 93](#).
- **Work Queue:** The work queue is designed to work as a “shock absorber”—absorbing and filtering spam attacks and processing unusual increases in non-spam messages. However, the work queue can also indicate a system under stress. Prolonged and frequent work queue backups may indicate a capacity problem. You can use the System Capacity – Workqueue page to track the activity in your work queue. For more information, see [System Capacity – Workqueue, on page 92](#).
- **Resource Conservation Mode:** When an appliance becomes overloaded, it enters Resource Conservation Mode (RCM) and sends a CRITICAL system alert. This is designed to protect the device and allow it to process any backlog of messages. Your appliance should enter RCM infrequently and only during a very large or unusual increase in mail volume. Frequent RCM alerts may be an indication that the system is becoming overloaded. See [Resource Conservation Activity , on page 94](#).

### Related Topics

- [How to Interpret the Data You See on System Capacity Page, on page 92](#)
- [System Capacity – Workqueue, on page 92](#)
- [System Capacity – Incoming Mail, on page 93](#)
- [System Capacity – Outgoing Mail, on page 93](#)
- [System Capacity – All, on page 94](#)
- [Threshold Indicator in System Capacity Graphs , on page 95](#)

## How to Interpret the Data You See on System Capacity Page

When choosing time ranges for viewing data on the System Capacity page, the following is important to remember:

- **Day Report**— The Day report queries the hour table and displays the exact number of queries that have been received by the appliance on an hourly basis over a 24 hour period. This information is gathered from the hour table. This is an exact number.
- **Month Report**— The Month report queries the day tables for the 30 or 31 days (dependent on the number of days in the month), giving you an exact report on the number of queries over 30 or 31 days. Again, this is an exact number.

The ‘Maximum’ value indicator on the System Capacity page is the highest value seen for the specified period. The ‘Average’ value is the average of all values for the specified period. The period of aggregation depends on the interval selected for that report. For example, you can choose to see the Average and Maximum values for each day if the chart is for a month period.

You can click the View Details link for a specific graph to view data for individual Email Security appliances and overall data for the appliances connected to the Security Management appliance.

## System Capacity – Workqueue

The Workqueue page shows the average time a message spends in the work queue, excluding any time spent in the Spam quarantine or in a policy, virus, or outbreak quarantine. You can view time periods from an hour up to one month. This average can help in identifying both short term events delaying mail delivery and identify long term trends in the workload on the system.




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**Note** If a message is released from the quarantine into the work queue, the “average time in work queue” metric ignores this time. This prevents double-counting and distorted statistics due to extended time spent in a quarantine.

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The report also shows the volume of messages in the work queue over a specified time period, and it shows the maximum messages in the work queue over the same time period. The graphical representation of the maximum messages in the work queue also shows the work queue threshold level.

Occasional spikes in the Workqueue graphs are normal and expected. If the messages in the work queue remain higher than the configured threshold for a long duration, this may indicate a capacity issue. In this scenario, consider tuning the threshold level or review the system configuration.

To change the work queue threshold level, see [Adjusting the Reference Threshold in System Health Graphs for Email Security Appliances, on page 497](#).




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**Tip** When reviewing the work queue page, you may want to measure the frequency of work queue backups, and take note of work queue backups that exceed 10,000 messages.

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## System Capacity – Incoming Mail

The System Capacity – Incoming Mail page shows incoming connections, the total number of incoming messages, the average message size, and the total incoming message size. You can view the results for a day, week, month, or year. It is important to understand the trends of normal message volume and spikes in your environment. You can use the System Capacity – Incoming Mail page to track volume growth over time and plan for system capacity. You might also want to compare the incoming mail data with the sender profile data to view the trends in volumes of email messages that are sent from specific domains to your network.




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**Note** An increased number of incoming connections may not necessarily affect system load.

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## System Capacity – Outgoing Mail

The System Capacity – Outgoing Mail page shows outgoing connections, the total number of outgoing messages, the average message size, and the total outgoing message size. You can view the results for a day, week, month, or year. It is important to understand the trends of normal message volume and spikes in your environment. You can use the System Capacity – Outgoing Mail page to track volume growth over time and plan for system capacity. You might also want to compare the outgoing mail data with the outgoing destinations data to view the trends in volumes of email messages that are sent from specific domains or IP addresses.

## System Capacity – System Load

The system load report shows the following:

- [Overall CPU Usage, on page 94](#)
- [Memory Page Swapping, on page 94](#)
- [Resource Conservation Activity, on page 94](#)

### Overall CPU Usage

Email Security appliances are optimized to use idle CPU resources to improve message throughput. High CPU usage may not indicate a system capacity problem. If the high CPU usage is coupled with consistent, high-volume memory page swapping, you may have a capacity problem.



**Note** This graph also indicates a threshold for CPU usage that is a visual reference only. To adjust the position of this line, see [Adjusting the Reference Threshold in System Health Graphs for Email Security Appliances, on page 497](#). You can configure your Email Security appliances to send you alerts that will suggest actions that you can take to address capacity issues.

This page also shows a graph that displays the amount of CPU used by different functions, including mail processing, spam and virus engines, reporting, and quarantines. The CPU-by-function graph is a good indicator of which areas of the product use the most resources on your system. If you need to optimize your appliance, this graph can help you determine which functions may need to be tuned or disabled.

### Memory Page Swapping

The memory page swapping graph shows how frequently the system must page to disk, in kilobytes per second.

The system is designed to swap memory regularly, so some memory swapping is expected and is not an indication of problems with your appliance. Unless the system *consistently* swaps memory in high volumes, memory swapping is normal and expected behavior (especially on C170 appliances). To improve performance, you may need to add Email Security appliances to your network or tune your configuration to ensure maximum throughput.



**Note** This graph also indicates a threshold for memory page swapping that is a visual reference only. To adjust the position of this line, see [Adjusting the Reference Threshold in System Health Graphs for Email Security Appliances, on page 497](#). You can configure your Email Security appliances to send you alerts that will suggest actions that you can take to address capacity issues.

### Resource Conservation Activity

The resource conservation activity graph shows the number of times the Email Security appliance entered Resource Conservation Mode (RCM). For example, if the graph shows *n* times, it means that the appliance has entered RCM *n* times and exited at least *n-1* times.

Your appliances should enter RCM infrequently and only during a very large or unusual increase in mail volume. If the Resource Conservation Activity graph shows that your appliance is entering RCS frequently, it may be an indication that the system is becoming overloaded.

## System Capacity – All

The **All** page consolidates all the previous system capacity reports onto a single page so you can view the relationship between the different reports. For example, you might see that the message queue is high at the same time that excessive memory swapping takes place. This might be an indication that you have a capacity problem. You may want to save this page as a PDF file to preserve a snapshot of system performance for later reference (or to share with support staff).

## Threshold Indicator in System Capacity Graphs

In some graphs, a line indicates the default value that may indicate a possible problem if it is frequently or consistently crossed. To adjust this visual indicator, see [Adjusting the Reference Threshold in System Health Graphs for Email Security Appliances, on page 497](#).

## Advanced Malware Protection Page

Advanced Malware Protection protects against zero-day and targeted file-based threats in email attachments by:

- Obtaining the reputation of known files.
- Analyzing behavior of certain files that are not yet known to the reputation service.
- Evaluating emerging threats as new information becomes available, and notifying you about files that are determined to be threats after they have entered your network.

This feature is available for incoming and outgoing messages.

For more information on the file reputation filtering and file analysis, see the *User Guide or Online Help for AsyncOS for Email Security Appliances*.

To view the report page, select **Advanced Malware Protection** from the Filter and Malware Reports section of the Reports drop-down.

The Advanced Malware Protection report page shows the following reporting views:

- [Advanced Malware Protection – Summary, on page 109](#)
- [Advanced Malware Protection – AMP Reputation, on page 109](#)
- [Advanced Malware Protection – File Analysis, on page 110](#)
- [Advanced Malware Protection – File Retrospection, on page 111](#)
- [Advanced Malware Protection – Mailbox Auto Remediation, on page 111](#)

To view the Advanced Malware Protection report page on the Security Management appliance, select **Email** from the Product drop-down and choose **Monitoring > Advanced Malware Protection** from the Reports drop-down. For more information, see [Using the Interactive Report Pages, on page 37](#).

The Advanced Malware Protection report page displays a metrics bar that provides real time data of all the managed appliances connected to the Cisco Threat Grid appliance.

**Note**

- You must use the `trailblazerconfig > enable` command on the CLI to populate data on the metrics bar. For more information, see [The trailblazerconfig Command, on page 491](#).
- You can only view the data from the Cisco Threat Grid appliance for the day, week and month.

**Related Topics**

- [Identifying Files by SHA-256 Hash , on page 83](#)
- [Requirements for File Analysis Report Details , on page 82](#)
- [Viewing File Reputation Filtering Data in Other Reports , on page 86](#)

## Advanced Malware Protection – Summary

The Advanced Malware Protection - Summary page shows the complete summary of the incoming and outgoing file-based threats that are identified by the file reputation and file analysis service.

For more information, see [Advanced Malware Protection – AMP Reputation, on page 109](#) and [Advanced Malware Protection – File Analysis, on page 110](#).

## Advanced Malware Protection – AMP Reputation

The Advanced Malware Protection - AMP Reputation page shows incoming and outgoing file-based threats that were identified by the file reputation service.

For files with changed verdicts, see the AMP Verdict updates report. Those verdicts are not reflected in the Advanced Malware Protection report.

If a file extracted from a compressed or archived file is malicious, only the SHA value of the compressed or archived file is included in the Advanced Malware Protection report.

The **Incoming files handled by AMP** section shows the incoming malware files by different categories such as malicious, clean, unknown, unscannable, and low risk.

Incoming malicious files are categorized as the following:

- The percentage of blocked listed file SHAs received from the AMP reputation server that are categorized as **Malware**.
- The percentage of blocked listed file SHAs received from the AMP for Endpoints console that are categorized as **Custom Detection**. The threat name of a blocked listed file SHA obtained from AMP for Endpoints console is displayed as **Simple Custom Detection** in the Incoming Malware Threat Files section of the report.
- The percentage of blocked listed file SHAs based on the threshold settings that are categorized as **Custom Threshold**.

You can click on the link in the More Details section of the report to view the file trajectory details of a blocked listed file SHA in the AMP for Endpoints console.

You can view the **Low Risk** verdict details in the Incoming Files Handled by AMP section of the report.

You can use the AMP Reputation view of the Advanced Malware Protection: Incoming report page to view:

- The summary of incoming files that are identified by file reputation service of the Advanced Malware Protection engine, in a graphical format.
- A trend graph for all the incoming malware threat files based on the selected time range.
- The top incoming malware threat files.
- The top incoming threat files based on the file types.
- The Incoming Malware Threat Files interactive table that lists the top incoming malware threat files.

Drill down to view detailed analysis results, including the threat characteristics for each file.

If your access privileges allow you to view Message Tracking data for the messages that populate this report, click a blue number link in the table.

You can use the AMP Reputation view of the Advanced Malware Protection: Outgoing report page to view:

- The summary of outgoing files that are identified by file reputation service of the Advanced Malware Protection engine, in a graphical format.
- A trend graph for all the outgoing malware threat files based on the selected time range.
- The top outgoing malware threat files.
- The top outgoing threat files based on the file types.
- The Outgoing Malware Threat Files interactive table that lists the top outgoing malware threat files that are identified by the file reputation service.

Drill down to view detailed analysis results, including the threat characteristics for each file.

If your access privileges allow you to view Message Tracking data for the messages that populate this report, click a blue number link in the table.

## Advanced Malware Protection – File Analysis

The Advanced Malware Protection - File Analysis page shows the time and verdict (or interim verdict) for each file sent for analysis. The appliance checks for analysis results every 30 minutes.

To view more than 1000 File Analysis results, export the data as a .csv file.

For deployments with an on-premises Cisco AMP Threat Grid Appliance: Files that are included in the allowed list on the AMP Threat Grid appliance show as "clean". For information about allowed list, see the AMP Threat Grid documentation or online help.

Drill down to view detailed analysis results, including the threat characteristics for each file.

You can also search for additional information about an SHA, or click the link at the bottom of the file analysis details page to view additional details on the server that analyzed the file. For more information, see [Identifying Files by SHA-256 Hash](#), on page 83.

If your access privileges allow you to view Message Tracking data for the messages that populate this report, click the **Details** link in the table.

To view details on the server that analyzed a file, see [Requirements for File Analysis Report Details](#), on page 82.

If a file extracted from a compressed or archived file is sent for analysis, only the SHA value of the extracted file is included in the File Analysis report.

You can use the File Analysis view of the Advanced Malware Protection report page to view:

- The number of incoming and outgoing files that are uploaded for file analysis by file analysis service of the Advanced Malware Protection engine.
- A list of incoming and outgoing files that have completed file analysis requests.
- A list of incoming and outgoing files that have pending file analysis requests.

## Advanced Malware Protection – File Retrospection

The Advanced Malware Protection - File Retrospection page lists the files processed by this appliance for which the verdict has changed since the message was received. For more information about on this scenario, see the documentation for your Email Security appliance.

As Advanced Malware Protection is focused on targeted and zero-day threats, threat verdicts can change as aggregated data might unviel more information.

To view more than 1000 verdict updates, export the data as a .csv file.

In the case of multiple verdict changes for a single SHA-256, this report shows only the latest verdict, not the verdict history.

To view all affected messages for a particular SHA-256 within the maximum available time range (regardless of the time range selected for the report) click a SHA-256 link.

You can use the File Retrospection view of the Advanced Malware Protection report page to view:

- A list of incoming and outgoing files with retrospective verdict changes.

## Advanced Malware Protection – Mailbox Auto Remediation

The Advanced Malware Protection - Mailbox Auto Remediation report page shows the details of the mailbox remediation results for the incoming files.

You can use the Advanced Malware Protection - Mailbox Auto Remediation page to view retrospective security details such as:

- The filenames associated with a SHA-256 hash.
- Remedial actions taken on messages.
- A list of recipients for whom the mailbox remediation was successful or unsuccessful.

The Recipients for whom remediation was unsuccessful field is updated in the following scenario:

- There was a connectivity issue between your appliance and Office 365 services when the appliance was trying to perform the configured remedial action.

Click on a SHA-256 hash to view the related messages in Message Tracking.

## Requirements for File Analysis Report Details

- [\(Cloud File Analysis\) Ensure That the Management Appliance Can Reach the File Analysis Server](#) , on page 82
- [\(Cloud File Analysis\) Configure the Management Appliance to Display Detailed File Analysis Results](#) , on page 82

- (On-Premises File Analysis) [Activate the File Analysis Account](#) , on page 83
- [Additional Requirements](#) , on page 83

### (Cloud File Analysis) Ensure That the Management Appliance Can Reach the File Analysis Server

In order to obtain File Analysis report details, the appliance must be able to connect to the File Analysis server over port 443. See details in [Firewall Information](#), on page 569

### (Cloud File Analysis) Configure the Management Appliance to Display Detailed File Analysis Results

In order to allow all content security appliances in your organization to display detailed results in the cloud about files sent for analysis from any Cisco Email Security appliance or Cisco Web Security appliance in your organization, you need to join all appliances to the same appliance group.

#### Procedure

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- Step 1** Access the File Analysis section on the web interface:
- In the Legacy Web Interface, click **Management Appliance > Centralized Services > Security Appliances** and scroll down to the File Analysis section.
  - In the New Web Interface, click **Service Status** and scroll down to the File Analysis section.
- Step 2** If your managed appliances are pointed at different File Analysis cloud servers, select the server from which to display result details.
- Result details will not be available for files processed by any other cloud server.
- Step 3** Enter the Analysis Group ID.
- If you enter the Group ID incorrectly or need to change it for any other reason, you must open a case with Cisco TAC.
  - This change takes effect immediately; it does not require a Commit.
  - It is suggested to use your CCOID for this value.
  - This value is case-sensitive.
  - This value must be identical on all appliances that will share data about files that are uploaded for analysis.
  - An appliance can belong to only one group.
  - You can add a machine to a group at any time, but you can add it only once.
- Step 4** Click **Group Now**.
- Step 5** Configure the same group on each Email Security appliance that will share data with this appliance.
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#### What to do next

#### Related Topics

[For Which Files Are Detailed File Analysis Results Visible in the Cloud?](#) , on page 86



## (On-Premises File Analysis) Activate the File Analysis Account

If you have deployed an on-premises (private cloud) Cisco AMP Threat Grid Appliance, you must activate the File Analysis account for your Cisco Content Security Management appliance in order to view report details available on the Threat Grid appliance. You generally only need to do this once.

### Before you begin

Ensure that you are receiving System alerts at Critical level.

### Procedure

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- Step 1** The first time you attempt to access File Analysis report details from the Threat Grid appliance, wait a few minutes and you will receive an alert that includes a link.
- If you do not receive this alert, go to **Management Appliance > System Administration > Alerts** and click **View Top Alerts**.
- Step 2** Click the link in the alert message.
- Step 3** Activate your management appliance account.
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### Additional Requirements

For any additional requirements, see the Release Notes for your Security Management appliance release, available from <http://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/support/security/content-security-management-appliance/products-release-notes-list.html>

## Identifying Files by SHA-256 Hash

Because filenames can easily be changed, the appliance generates an identifier for each file using a Secure Hash Algorithm (SHA-256). If an appliance processes the same file with different names, all instances are recognized as the same SHA-256. If multiple appliances process the same file, all instances of the file have the same SHA-256 identifier.

In most reports, files are listed by their SHA-256 value (in an abbreviated format).

## Viewing File Reputation Filtering Data in Other Reports

Data for file reputation and analysis is available in other reports where relevant. A Detected by Advanced Malware Protection column may be hidden by default in applicable reports. To display additional columns, click the Columns link at the bottom of the table.

## For Which Files Are Detailed File Analysis Results Visible in the Cloud?

If you have deployed public-cloud File Analysis, you can view detailed results for all files uploaded from any managed appliance that has been added to the appliance group for File Analysis.

If you have added your management appliance to the group, you can view the list of managed appliances in the group by clicking the button on the **Management Appliance > Centralized Services > Security Appliances** page.

Appliances in the analysis group are identified by the File Analysis Client ID. To determine this identifier for a particular appliance, look in the following location:

| Appliance                                   | Location of File Analysis Client ID   |
|---|---|
| Email Security appliance                    | Advanced Settings for File Analysis section on the <b>Security Services &gt; File Reputation and Analysis</b> page. |
| Web Security appliance                      | Advanced Settings for File Analysis section on the <b>Security Services &gt; Anti-Malware and Reputation</b> page.  |
| Cisco Content Security Management appliance | At the bottom of the <b>Management Appliance &gt; Centralized Services &gt; Security Appliances</b> page.           |

### Related Topics

- [\(Cloud File Analysis\) Configure the Management Appliance to Display Detailed File Analysis Results](#), on page 82

## Virus Filtering Page

The Virus Filtering report page provides an overview of the viruses that are sent to and from your network. The Virus Types page displays the viruses that have been detected by the virus scanning engines running on the Email Security appliances and are displayed on the Security Management appliance. Use this report to take action against a particular virus. For example, if you see that you are receiving a high volume of viruses known to be embedded in PDF files, you can create a filter action to quarantine messages with PDF attachments.

To view the Virus Filtering report page on the Security Management appliance, select **Email** from the Product drop-down and choose **Monitoring > Virus Filtering** from the Reports drop-down. For more information, see [Using the Interactive Report Pages](#), on page 37.

If you run multiple virus scanning engines, the Virus Filtering report page includes results from all enabled virus scanning engines. The name of the virus that appears on the page is determined by the virus scanning engines. If more than one scanning engine detects a virus, it is possible to have more than one entry for the same virus.

The following list explains the various sections on the Virus Filtering report page:

**Table 27: Details on the Virus Filtering Page**

| Section                           | Description  |
|-----------------------------------|--|
| Time Range (drop-down list)       | A drop-down list with options for choosing a time range to view. For more information, see <a href="#">Choosing a Time Range for Reports</a> , on page 26.   |
| View Data For (drop-down list)    | Choose an Email Security appliance for which you want to view the data, or choose All Email Appliances.<br><br>See also <a href="#">Viewing Reporting Data for an Appliance or Reporting Group</a> , on page 25. |
| Top Incoming Virus Types Detected | This section displays a chart view of the detected viruses in messages sent to your network.   |

| Section                           | Description  |
|-----------------------------------|--|
| Top Outgoing Virus Types Detected | This section displays a chart view of the detected viruses in messages sent from your network.   |
| Virus Types Detail                | An interactive table that shows the details of each virus type.<br>For more information, see <a href="#">Virus Types Detail Table, on page 115</a> |



**Note** To see which hosts sent virus-infected messages to your network, go to the Incoming Mail page, specify the same reporting period, and sort by virus positive messages. Similarly, to see which IP addresses have sent virus positive emails within your network, go to the Outgoing Senders page and sort by virus positive messages.

From the Virus Filtering report page, you can export raw data to a CSV file. For information on printing or exporting a file, see the [Exporting Reporting and Tracking Data , on page 31](#).

You can generate a scheduled report for the Virus Filtering report page. See the [Scheduling Email Reports, on page 151](#).

## Virus Types Detail Table

The Virus Types Detail table is an interactive table that shows the total number of virus-infected messages, with a breakdown by incoming and outgoing messages. Click the column headings to sort the data.

The following table shows the table column descriptions for the Virus Types Detail table:

**Table 28: Table Column Descriptions for Virus Types Detail Table**

| Column Name             | Description  |
|-------------------------|--|
| Virus Type              | The name of the virus type.                                |
| Incoming Messages       | Number of incoming messages detected as virus.             |
| Outgoing Messages       | Number of outgoing messages detected as virus.             |
| Total Infected Messages | Total number of infected messages (incoming and outgoing). |

## Macro Detection Page

You can use the Macro Detection report page to view:

- Top Incoming Macro-Enabled Attachments by File Type in graphical and tabular format.
- Total Incoming Macro-Enabled Attachments by File Type in tabular format.
- Top Outgoing Macro-Enabled Attachments by File Type in graphical and tabular format.
- Total Outgoing Macro-Enabled Attachments by File Type in tabular format.

To view the Macro Detection report page on the Security Management appliance, select **Email** from the Product drop-down and choose **Monitoring > Macro Detection** from the Reports drop-down. For more information, see [Using the Interactive Report Pages, on page 37](#).

From the Macro Detection report page you can export raw data to a CSV file. For information on printing or exporting a file, see the [Exporting Reporting and Tracking Data , on page 31](#).

You can click on the number of macro-enabled attachments to view the related messages in Message Tracking.



**Note** During report generation:

- If one or more macros are detected within an archive file, the Archive Files file type is incremented by one. The number of macro-enabled attachments within an archive file are not counted.
- If one or more macros are detected within an embedded file, the parent file type is incremented by one. The number of macro-enabled attachments within an embedded file are not counted.

## DMARC Verification Page

The DMARC Verification report page shows the top sender domains that failed Domain-based Message Authentication, Reporting and Conformance (DMARC) verification, and a summary of the actions taken for incoming messages from each domain. You can use this report to fine-tune your DMARC settings and answer these kinds of questions:

- Which domains sent the most messages that failed DMARC verification?
- For each domain, what actions are taken on messages that failed DMARC verification?

You can use the DMARC Verification report page to view:

- Top Domains by DMARC verification failures in graphical format.
- Total domains by DMARC verification details in tabular format. For more information, see [Domains by DMARC Verification Details Table, on page 116](#).

To view the DMARC Verification report page on the Security Management appliance, select **Email** from the Product drop-down and choose **Monitoring > DMARC Verification** from the Reports drop-down. For more information, see [Using the Interactive Report Pages, on page 37](#).

If your access privileges allow you to view Message Tracking data for the messages that populate this report, click a blue number link in the table.

From the DMARC Verification report page you can export raw data to a CSV file. For information on printing or exporting a file, see the [Exporting Reporting and Tracking Data , on page 31](#).

For more information about DMARC verification, see the Email Authentication chapter in the online help or user guide for your Email Security appliance.

### Domains by DMARC Verification Details Table

The Domains by DMARC Verification Details table is an interactive table that shows the details of the sender domains that have failed (by either being rejected, quarantined, or no action), attempted, and passed the Domain-based Message Authentication, Reporting and Conformance (DMARC) verification.

To customize and sort information on the table, see [Customizing Tables on Report Pages](#) , on page 40.

To view Message Tracking details for the messages that populate this report, click a blue number link in the table.

## Outbreak Filtering Page

The Outbreak Filtering report page shows information about recent outbreaks and messages quarantined due to Outbreak Filters. You can use this page to monitor your defense against targeted virus, scam, and phishing attacks.

Use the Outbreak Filtering report page to answer the following types of questions:

- How many messages are quarantined and by which Outbreak Filters rule?
- How long do messages stay in the Outbreak Quarantine?
- Which potentially malicious URLs are most frequently seen?

To view the Outbreak Filtering report page on the Security Management appliance, select **Email** from the Product drop-down and choose **Monitoring > Outbreak Filtering** from the Reports drop-down. For more information, see [Using the Interactive Report Pages](#), on page 37.

The following table explains the various sections on the Outbreak Filtering report page:

**Table 29: Details on the Outbreak Filtering Page**

| Section                        | Description  |
|--------------------------------|--|
| Time Range (drop-down list)    | A drop-down list with options for choosing a time range to view. For more information, see <a href="#">Choosing a Time Range for Reports</a> , on page 26.   |
| View Data For (drop-down list) | Choose an Email Security appliance for which you want to view the data, or choose All Email Appliances.<br><br>See also <a href="#">Viewing Reporting Data for an Appliance or Reporting Group</a> , on page 25.   |
| Threats By Type                | The Threats by Type section shows the different types of threat messages received by the appliance.  |
| Threat Summary                 | The Threat Summary section shows a breakdown of the messages by Malware, Phish, Scam and Virus.<br><br>To view Message Tracking details for the messages that populate this report, click a blue number link in the table.   |
| Threat Details                 | The Threat Details interactive table shows details about specific outbreaks, including the threat category (virus, scam, or phishing), threat name, a description of the threat, and the number of messages identified.<br><br>To view Message Tracking details for the messages that populate this report, click a blue number link in the table. |

| Section                                 | Description   |
|---|---|
| Hit Messages from Incoming Messages     | <p>The Hit Messages from Incoming Messages section shows the chart and summary of the number of incoming messages processed by Outbreak Filters in the selected time period.</p> <p>Non-viral threats include phishing emails, scams, and malware distribution using links to an external website.</p>  |
| Hit Messages by Threat Level            | <p>The Hit Messages by Threat Level section shows the chart and summary of the severity of threats caught by Outbreak Filters.</p> <p>Level 5 threats are severe in scope or impact, while Level 1 represents low threat risk. For descriptions of threat levels, see the online help or user guide for your Email Security appliance.</p>  |
| Messages resided in Outbreak Quarantine | <p>The Messages resided in Outbreak Quarantine shows the length of time messages spent in the Outbreak Quarantine.</p> <p>This duration is determined by the time it takes the system to compile enough data about the potential threat to make a verdict on its safety. Messages with viral threats typically spend more time in the quarantine than those with non-viral threats, because they must wait for anti-virus program updates. The maximum retention time that you specify for each mail policy is also reflected.</p>                              |
| Top URL's Rewritten                     | <p>The Top URL's Rewritten section shows the URLs that are most frequently rewritten to redirect message recipients to the Cisco Web Security Proxy for click-time evaluation of the site if and when the recipient clicks a potentially malicious link in a message.</p> <p>This list may include URLs that are not malicious, because if any URL in a message is deemed malicious, then all URLs in the message are rewritten.</p> <p>To view Message Tracking details for the messages that populate this report, click a blue number link in the table.</p> |



**Note** In order to correctly populate the tables on the Outbreak Filtering report page, the appliance must be able to communicate with the Cisco update servers.

For more information, see the Outbreak Filters chapter in the online help or user guide for your Email Security appliance.

## URL Filtering Page

URL Filtering reports are available for incoming and outgoing messages.

Only messages that are scanned by the URL filtering engine (either as part of anti-spam/outbreak filter scanning or through message/content filters) are included in these modules. However, not all of the results are necessarily specifically attributable to the URL Filtering feature.



**Note** URL Filtering report modules are populated only if URL filtering is enabled.

From the URL Filtering report page, you can view:

- The Top URL Categories module includes all categories found in messages that have been scanned, whether or not they match a content or message filter.  
Each message can be associated with only one reputation level. For messages with multiple URLs, the statistics reflect the lowest reputation of any URL in the message.
- The Top URL spam messages  
URLs in the global allowed list configured at **Security Services > URL Filtering** page of the email security appliance, are not included in reports.  
URLs in allowed lists used in individual filters are included in reports.
- Malicious URLs are URLs that Outbreak Filters have determined to have poor reputation. Neutral URLs are those that Outbreak Filters have determined to require click-time protection. Neutral URLs have therefore been rewritten to redirect them to the Cisco Web Security proxy.  
Results of URL category-based filters are reflected in content and message filter reports.  
Results of click-time URL evaluations by the Cisco Web Security proxy are not reflected in reports.

To view the URL Filtering report page on the Security Management appliance, select **Email** from the Product drop-down and choose **Monitoring > URL Filtering** from the Reports drop-down. For more information, see [Using the Interactive Report Pages, on page 37](#).

The following table explains the various sections on the URL Filtering report page:

**Table 30: Details on the URL Filtering Page**

| Section                        | Description  |
|--------------------------------|--|
| Time Range (drop-down list)    | A drop-down list with options for choosing a time range to view. For more information, see <a href="#">Choosing a Time Range for Reports</a> , on page 26.   |
| View Data For (drop-down list) | Choose an Email Security appliance for which you want to view the data, or choose All Email Appliances.<br>See also <a href="#">Viewing Reporting Data for an Appliance or Reporting Group</a> , on page 25.                                 |
| Top URL Categories             | This section displays the graphical view and summary of the top URL categories of the incoming and outgoing messages.<br>To view Message Tracking details for the messages that populate this report, click a blue number link in the table. |
| Top URL Spam Messages          | This section displays the graphical view and summary of the top incoming and outgoing URL spam messages.   |

| Section                    | Description  |
|----------------------------|--|
| Malicious and Neutral URLs | This section displays the chart view and the summary of malicious and neutral URLs of the incoming and outgoing messages.<br><br>To view Message Tracking details for the messages that populate this report, click a blue number link in the table. |

From the URL Filtering report page you can export raw data to a CSV file. For information on printing or exporting a file, see the [Exporting Reporting and Tracking Data](#), on page 31.

## Forged Email Detection Page

The Forged Email Detection page includes the following reports:

- **Top Forged Email Detection.** Displays the top ten users in the content dictionary that matched the forged From: header in the incoming messages.
- **Forged Email Detection: Details.** Displays a list of all the users in the content dictionary that matched the forged From: header in the incoming messages and for a given user, the number of messages matched.

To view the Forged Email Detection report page on the Security Management appliance, select **Email** from the Product drop-down and choose **Monitoring > Forged Email Detection** from the Reports drop-down. For more information, see [Using the Interactive Report Pages](#), on page 37.

The Forged Email Detection reports are populated only if you are using the Forged Email Detection content filter or the `forged-email-detection` message filter.

From the Forged Email Detection report page you can export raw data to a CSV file. For information on printing or exporting a file, see the [Exporting Reporting and Tracking Data](#), on page 31.

## Sender Domain Reputation Page

You can use the Sender Domain Reputation report page to view:

- Incoming messages based on the verdict received from the SDR service in graphical format.
- Summary of incoming messages based on the threat category and verdict received from the SDR service in tabular format.
- Incoming messages based on the threat category received from the SDR service in graphical format.




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**Note** Only the messages whose SDR verdict is 'awful' or 'poor' are classified under the SDR threat category, such as, 'spam,' 'malicious,' etc.

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- Summary of incoming messages based on the threat category received from the SDR service in tabular format.

To view the Sender Domain Reputation report page on the Security Management appliance, select **Email** from the Product drop-down and choose **Monitoring > Sender Domain Reputation** from the Reports drop-down. For more information, see [Using the Interactive Report Pages](#), on page 37.



## External Threat Feeds Page

You can use the External Threat Feeds report page to view:

- Top ETF sources used to detect threats in messages in graphical format
- Summary of ETF sources used to detect threats in messages in tabular format.
- Top IOCs that matched threats detected in messages in graphical format.
- Top ETF sources used to filter malicious incoming mail connections in graphical format.
- Summary of ETF sources used to filter malicious incoming mail connections in tabular format.

In the ‘Summary of External Threat Feed Sources’ section:

- You can click on the number of messages for a particular ETF source to view the related messages in Message Tracking.
- You can click on a particular threat feed source to view the distribution of the ETF source based on the IOCs.

In the ‘Summary of Indicator of Compromise (IOC) Matches’ section:

- You can click on the number of IOCs for a particular ETF source to view the related messages in Message Tracking.
- You can click on a particular IOC to view the distribution of the IOC based on the ETF sources.

To view the External Threat Feeds report page on the Security Management appliance, select **Email** from the Product drop-down and choose **Monitoring > External Threat Feeds** from the Reports drop-down. For more information, see [Using the Interactive Report Pages, on page 37](#).

## Safe Print Page

You can use the Safe Print Action report page to view:

- Number of safe-printed attachments based on the file type in graphical format.
- Summary of safe-printed attachments based on the file type in tabular format.

In the ‘Summary of Safe Print File Types’ section, click the total number of safe-printed attachments to view the message details in Message Tracking.

## Advanced Phishing Protection Reports Page

You can view the following on the Advanced Phishing Protection report page:

- Total number of messages successfully forwarded to the Cisco Advanced Phishing Protection cloud service.
- Total number of messages that are not forwarded to the Cisco Advanced Phishing Protection cloud service.



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**Note** If the forwarding of message metadata has failed, you must validate the configurations of the Advanced Phishing Protection feature. For more information, see the "Integrating Cisco Email Security Gateway with the Cisco Advanced Phishing Protection" chapter of the *User Guide for AsyncOS for Cisco Email Security Appliances*.

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To view the Advanced Phishing Protection report page on the Security Management appliance, select **Email** from the Product drop-down and choose **Monitoring > Advanced Phishing Protection** from the Reports drop-down. For more information, see [Using the Interactive Report Pages, on page 37](#).

You can use the Advanced Phishing Protection report page to view:

- Total number of messages attempted to be forwarded to the Cisco Advanced Phishing Protection cloud service.
- Summary of messages forwarded to the Cisco Advanced Phishing Protection cloud service in a graphical format.

## Mail Flow Details Page

The Mail Flow Details report page on the Security Management appliance provides interactive reporting on the real-time information for all remote hosts connecting to your managed Security Management appliances. You can gather information about the IP addresses, domains, and network owners (organizations) sending mail to your system. You can also gather information about the IP addresses and domains of the outgoing senders.

To view the Mail Flow Details report page on the Security Management appliance, select **Email** from the Product drop-down and choose **Monitoring > Mail Flow Details** from the Reports drop-down. For more information, see [Using the Interactive Report Pages, on page 37](#).

The Mail Flow Details report page has the following tabs:

- Incoming Mails
- Outgoing Senders

To search for specific information within your data, see [Searching and the Interactive Email Report Pages, on page 55](#).

From the Incoming Mails tab, you can:

- View the top senders by total threat messages in graphical format.
- View the top senders by clean messages in graphical format.
- View the top senders by graymail messages in graphical format.
- See the IP addresses, domains, or network owners (organizations) that have sent mail to your Security Management appliances.
- See detailed statistics on senders that have sent mail to your appliances. The statistics include the number of connections (accepted or rejected), attempted messages broken down by security service (sender reputation filtering, anti-spam, anti-virus, and so forth), total threat messages, total graymails and clean messages.

- See the Incoming Mails interactive table for the detailed information about the particular IP address, domain, or network owner (organization). For more information, see [Incoming Mails Table, on page 124](#).

If your access privileges allow you to view Message Tracking data for the messages that populate this report, click a number hyperlink in the table.

From the Outgoing Senders tab, you can:

- View the top senders by total threat messages in graphical format.
- View the top senders by clean messages in graphical format.
- View the top senders (by IP address or domain) of outgoing threat messages (spam, antivirus, etc.) in your organization.
- See detailed statistics on senders that have sent mail from your appliances. The statistics include the total threat messages broken down by security service (sender reputation filtering, anti-spam, anti-virus, and so forth) and clean messages.
- See the Sender Details interactive table for detailed information about the particular IP address or domain. For more information, see [Sender Details Table, on page 128](#).

If your access privileges allow you to view Message Tracking data for the messages that populate this report, click a number hyperlink in the table.

### Related Topics

- [“No Domain Information” Link, on page 67](#)
- [Time Ranges in the Mail Trend Graphs, on page 67](#)
- [Views Within the Mail Flow Details Page, on page 123](#)
- [Incoming Mails Table, on page 124](#)
- [Sender Details Table, on page 128](#)

## Views Within the Mail Flow Details Page

The Mail Flow Details: Incoming report page has three different views:

- IP Addresses
- Domains
- Network Owners

These views provide a snapshot of the remote hosts connecting to the system in the context of the selected view.

Additionally, in the Incoming Mail table of the Mail Flow Details page, you can click on a Sender’s IP Address, Domain name, or Network Owner Information to retrieve specific Sender Profile Information. For more information on Sender Profile information, see the [Sender Profile Pages, on page 68](#).



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**Note** Network owners are entities that contain domains. Domains are entities that contain IP addresses.

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**“No Domain Information” Link**

Depending on the view you select, the Incoming Mail Details interactive table displays the top IP addresses, domains, or network owners that have sent mail to all public listeners configured on the Email Security appliances. You can monitor the flow of all mail into your appliances.

Click an IP address, domain, or network owner to access details about the sender on the Sender Profile page. The Sender Profile page is an Mail Flow Details page that is specific to a particular IP address, domain, or network owner.

See the [Incoming Mails Table, on page 124](#) for an explanation of the data included in the Incoming Mails interactive table.

From the Mail Flow Details page you can export raw data to a CSV file.

The Mail Flow Details: Outgoing report page has two different views:

- IP Addresses
- Domains

These views provide a snapshot of the remote hosts connecting to the system in the context of the selected view.

Depending on the view you select, the Sender Details interactive table displays the top IP addresses or domains of the senders that have sent mail from the public listeners configured from the Email Security appliances. You can monitor the flow of all mail from your appliances.

See the [Sender Details Table, on page 128](#) for an explanation of the data included in the Sender Details interactive table.

**“No Domain Information” Link**

Domains that have connected to the Security Management appliances and could not be verified with a double-DNS lookup are automatically grouped into the special domain called “No Domain Information.” You can control how these types of unverified hosts are managed via Sender Verification. For more information about Sender Verification, see the documentation or online help for your Email Security appliance.

You can use the Items Displayed menu to select the number of senders to display in the list.

**Time Ranges in the Mail Trend Graphs**

You can select varying degrees of granularity to see your data in a mail graph. You can select a day, week, month, and year views of the same data. Because the data is monitored in real time, information is periodically updated and summarized in the database.

For more information on time ranges, see [Choosing a Time Range for Reports](#) , on page 26.

**Incoming Mails Table**

The interactive Incoming Mails table at the bottom of the Mail Flow Details: Incoming Mails page lists the top senders that have connected to public listeners on the Email Security appliances. The table shows domains, IP addresses, or network owners, based on the view selected.

The system acquires and verifies the validity of the remote host’s IP address by performing a double DNS lookup. For more information about *double DNS lookups* and sender verification, see the user guide or online help for AsyncOS Email Security appliance.

For senders, that is Network Owner, IP Address or Domain, listed in the first column of the Incoming Mails table, or on the Top Senders by Total Threat Messages, click the Sender or No Domain Information link to

view more information about the sender. The results appear on a Sender Profile page, which includes real-time information from the SenderBase Reputation Service. From the Sender Profile page, you can view for more information about specific IP addresses or network owners. For more information, see the [Sender Profile Pages, on page 68](#).

You can also view the Sender Groups report, by clicking Sender Groups report at the bottom of the Mail Flow Details page. For more information about the Sender Groups report page, see the [Sender Groups Page, on page 129](#).

To view Message Tracking details for the messages that populate this report, click a number hyperlink in the table.

The following table shows the table column descriptions for the Incoming Mails table:

**Table 31: Table Column Descriptions for Incoming Mail Table**

| Column Name  | Description   |
|--|---|
| Sender Domain (Domains)                                      | The domain name of the sender.  |
| Sender IP Address (IP Addresses)                             | The IP address of the sender.   |
| Hostname (IP Addresses)                                      | The hostname of the sender.   |
| DNS Verified (IP Addresses)                                  | The IP addresses that are verified by the DNS.  |
| SBRS (IP Addresses)  | The SenderBase Reputation Score of the sender.  |
| Last Sender Group (IP Addresses)                             | The details of the last sender group.   |
| Last Sender Group (IP Addresses)                             | The details of the last sender group.   |
| Network Owner (Network Owners)                               | The network owner of the sender.  |
| Connections Rejected (Domains and Network Owners)            | All connections blocked by HAT policies. When the appliance is under heavy load, an exact count of rejected connections is not maintained on a per-sender basis. Instead, rejected connections counts are maintained only for the most significant senders in each time interval.   |
| Connections Accepted (Domains and Network Owners)            | All connections accepted,   |
| Total Attempted  | All accepted and blocked connections attempted.   |
| Stopped by Recipient Throttling (Domains and Network Owners) | This is a component of Stopped by Reputation Filtering. It represents the number of recipient messages stopped because any of the following HAT limits have been exceeded: maximum recipients per hour, maximum recipients per message, or maximum messages per connection. This is summed with an estimate of the recipient messages associated with rejected or TCP refused connections to yield Stopped by Reputation Filtering. |

| Column Name                             | Description  |
|---|--|
| Stopped by Reputation Filtering         | <p>The value for Stopped by Reputation Filtering is calculated based on several factors:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Number of “throttled” messages from this sender</li> <li>• Number of rejected or TCP refused connections (may be a partial count)</li> <li>• A conservative multiplier for the number of messages per connection.</li> </ul> <p>When the appliance is under heavy load, an exact count of rejected connections is not maintained on a per-sender basis. Instead, rejected connections counts are maintained only for the most significant senders in each time interval. In this situation, the value shown can be interpreted as a “floor”; that is, at least this many messages are stopped.</p> <p><b>Note</b> The Reputation Filtering total on the Mail Flow Summary page is always based on a complete count of all rejected connections. Only the per-sender connection counts are limited due to load.</p> |
| Stopped as Invalid Recipients           | All mail recipients rejected by conversational LDAP rejection plus all RAT rejections.   |
| Spam Detected                           | Any spam that has been detected.   |
| Virus Detected                          | Any viruses that have been detected  |
| Detected by Advanced Malware Protection | The total count of messages detected by Advanced Malware Protection engines.   |
| Stopped by Content Filter               | The total count of messages that are stopped by a content filter.  |
| Stopped by DMARC                        | The total count of messages that failed Domain-based Message Authentication, Reporting and Conformance (DMARC) verification.   |
| Total Threat                            | Total number of threat messages (stopped by reputation, stopped as invalid recipient, spam, plus virus)  |
| Marketing                               | Number of messages detected as unwanted marketing messages.  |
| Social                                  | Number of messages detected as social messages.  |
| Bulk                                    | Number of messages detected as bulk.   |
| Total Graymails                         | Number of messages detected as graymails.  |
| Clean                                   | <p>All clean messages.</p> <p>Messages processed on appliances on which the graymail feature is not enabled are counted as clean.</p>  |

## Sender Profile Pages

When you click a sender in the Incoming Mail interactive table, on the **Mail Flow Details** [New Web Interface] or **Incoming Mail** page, the Sender Profile page appears. It shows detailed information about the particular IP address, domain, or network owner (organization). You can access a Sender Profile page for any IP address, domain, or network owner by clicking the corresponding link on the Mail Flow Details page or on other Sender Profile pages.

*Network owners* are entities that contain domains. *Domains* are entities that contain IP addresses.

The Sender Profile pages displayed for IP addresses, domains, and network owners vary slightly. For each, the page contains a graph and summary table for incoming mail from the particular sender. Below the graph, a table lists the domains or IP addresses associated with the sender. (The Sender Profile page for an individual IP address does not contain a more granular listing.) The Sender Profile page also includes an information section with the current SenderBase, sender group, and network information for the sender.

- Network Owner profile pages contain information for the network owner, as well as the domains and IP addresses associated with that network owner.
- Domain profile pages contain information for the domains and IP addresses associated with that domain.
- IP address profile pages contain information about the IP address only.

Each Sender Profile page contains the following data in the Current Information table at the bottom of the page:

- The global information from the SenderBase Reputation Service, including:
  - IP address, domain name, and/or network owner
  - Network owner category (network owner only)
  - CIDR range (IP addresses only)
  - Daily magnitude and monthly magnitude for the IP address, domain, and/or network owner
  - Days since the first message was received from this sender
  - Last sender group and whether DNS verified (IP address sender profile page only)

Daily magnitude is a measure of how many messages a domain has sent over the last 24 hours. Similar to the Richter scale used to measure earthquakes, SenderBase magnitude is a measure of message volume calculated using a log scale with a base of 10. The maximum theoretical value of the scale is set to 10, which equates to 100% of the world's email message volume. Using the log scale, a one-point increase in magnitude equates to a 10x increase in actual volume.

Monthly magnitude is calculated using the same approach as daily magnitude, except the percentages are calculated based on the volume of email sent over the last 30 days.

- Average magnitude (IP addresses only)
- Lifetime volume / 30 day volume (IP address profile pages only)
- Bonded sender status (IP address profile pages only)
- SenderBase Reputation Score (IP address profile pages only)
- Days since first message (network owner and domain profile pages only)

- Number of domains associated with this network owner (network owner and domain profile pages only)
- Number of IP addresses in this network owner (network owner and domain profile pages only)
- Number of IP addresses used to send email (network owner pages only)

Click **More from SenderBase** to see a page with all information supplied by the SenderBase Reputation Service.

- Details about the domains and IP addresses controlled by this network owner appear on network owner profile pages. Details about the IP addresses in the domain appear on domain pages.

From a domain profile page, you can click on a specific IP address to view specific information, or view an organization profile page.

## Sender Details Table

The interactive Sender Details table at the bottom of the Mail Flow Details: Outgoing page lists the top senders that have connected to public listeners on the Email Security appliances. The table shows domains or IP addresses, based on the view selected.

To view Message Tracking details for the messages that populate this report, click a number hyperlink in the table.

The following table shows the table column descriptions for the Sender Details table:

**Table 32: Table Column Descriptions for Sender Details Table**

| Column Name                             | Description  |
|---|--|
| Sender Domain (Domains)                 | The domain name of the sender.   |
| Sender IP Address (IP Addresses)        | The IP address of the sender.  |
| Hostname (IP Addresses)                 | The hostname of the sender.  |
| Spam Detected                           | Any spam that has been detected.   |
| Virus Detected                          | Any viruses that have been detected.   |
| Detected by Advanced Malware Protection | The total count of messages detected by Advanced Malware Protection engines.   |
| Stopped by Content Filter               | The total count of messages that are stopped by a content filter.  |
| Stopped by DLP                          | The total count of messages that are stopped by DLP engine.  |
| Total Threat                            | Total number of threat messages (spam, virus)  |
| Clean                                   | All clean messages.<br>Messages processed on appliances on which the graymail feature is not enabled are counted as clean. |
| Total Messages                          | The total count of all the messages.   |



## Sender Groups Page

The Sender Groups report page provides a summary of connections by sender group and mail flow policy action, allowing you to review SMTP connection and mail flow policy trends. The Mail Flow by Sender Group listing shows the percentage and number of connections for each sender group. The Connections by Mail Flow Policy Action chart shows the percentage of connections for each mail flow policy action. This page provides an overview of the effectiveness of your Host Access Table (HAT) policies. For more information about the HAT, see the documentation or online help for your Email Security appliance.

To view the Sender Groups report page on the Security Management appliance, select **Email** from the Product drop-down and choose **Monitoring > Sender Groups** from the Reports drop-down. For more information, see [Using the Interactive Report Pages, on page 37](#).

From the Sender Group report page you can export raw data to a CSV file. For information on printing or exporting a file, see the [Exporting Reporting and Tracking Data , on page 31](#).



**Note** You can generate a scheduled report for the Sender Group report page. See the [Scheduling Email Reports, on page 151](#).

## Outgoing Destinations Page

The Outgoing Destinations report page provides information about the domains that your organization sends mail to.

You can use the Outgoing Destinations page to view:

- Which domains are the Email Security appliances sending messages to?
- How much message is sent to each domain?
- How much of that message is clean, spam-positive, virus-positive, malware or stopped by a content filter?
- How many messages are delivered and how many messages are hard-bounced by the destination servers?

To view the Outgoing Destinations report page on the Security Management appliance, select **Email** from the Product drop-down and choose **Monitoring > Outgoing Destinations** from the Reports drop-down. For more information, see [Using the Interactive Report Pages, on page 37](#).

To search for specific information within your data, see [Searching and the Interactive Email Report Pages , on page 55](#).

The following list explains the various sections on the Outgoing Destinations report page:

**Table 33: Details on the Outgoing Destinations Page**

| Section                     | Description   |
|-----------------------------|---|
| Time Range (drop-down list) | A drop-down list with options for choosing a time range to view. For more information, see <a href="#">Choosing a Time Range for Reports , on page 26</a> . |

| Section                                   | Description  |
|---|--|
| View Data For (drop-down list)            | Choose an Email Security appliance for which you want to view the data, or choose All Email Appliances.<br><br>See also <a href="#">Viewing Reporting Data for an Appliance or Reporting Group, on page 25</a> .   |
| Top Destinations by Total Threat Messages | The top destination domains of outgoing threat messages (spam, antivirus, etc.) sent by your organization. Total threat messages include spam or virus positive, or the messages that are triggered by a content filter.   |
| Top Destinations by Clean Messages        | The top destination domains of clean outgoing messages sent by your organization.  |
| Outgoing Destinations Details             | All details related to the destination domains of all outgoing messages sent by your organization, sorted by total recipients. Details include detected spam, viruses, clean messages etc.<br><br>For more information, see <a href="#">Outgoing Destinations Detail Table, on page 130</a> .<br><br>To view Message Tracking details for the messages that populate this report, click a blue number link in the table. |

From the Outgoing Destinations report page you can export raw data to a CSV file. For information on printing or exporting a file, see the [Exporting Reporting and Tracking Data , on page 31](#).

You can generate a scheduled report for the Outgoing Destinations page. See the [Scheduling Email Reports, on page 151](#).

### Related Topics

[Outgoing Destinations Detail Table, on page 130](#)

## Outgoing Destinations Detail Table

The Outgoing Destinations Detail table is an interactive table that shows the total number of messages that are processed and delivered, with a breakdown of the messages that are processed as threat (Spam, Virus, etc.) or clean, and the messages that are either hard bounced or delivered. Click the column headings to sort the data.

To view Message Tracking details for the messages that populate this report, click a blue number link in the table.

The following table shows the table column descriptions for the Outgoing Destination Detail table:

**Table 34: Table Column Descriptions for Outgoing Destination Detail Table**

| Column Name        | Description                          |
|--------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Destination Domain | The name of the destination domain.  |
| Spam Detected      | Number of messages detected as spam. |
| Virus Detected     | Number of messages detected as spam. |

| Column Name               | Description   |
|---------------------------|---|
| Stopped by Content Filter | Number of messages stopped by content filters.                        |
| Total Threat              | Total number of messages detected as threat (Spam, Virus, etc.)       |
| Clean                     | Number of messages detected as clean,                                 |
| Total Processed           | Total number of messages processed as threat or clean.                |
| Hard Bounces              | Number of messages that are marked as permanently undeliverable.      |
| Delivered                 | Number of messages that are delivered.                                |
| Total Messages Delivered  | Total number of messages that are delivered (including Hard Bounces). |

## TLS Encryption Page

The TLS Encryptions page shows the overall usage of TLS connections for sent and received mail. The report also shows details for each domain sending mail using TLS connections.

The TLS Connections page can be used to determine the following information:

- Overall, what portion of incoming and outgoing connections uses TLS?
- Which partners do I have successful TLS connections with?
- Which partners do I have unsuccessful TLS connections with?
- What partners do I have successful outgoing TLS connections with DANE support?
- What partners do I have unsuccessful outgoing TLS connections with DANE support?
- Which partners have issue with their TLS certificates?
- What percentage of overall mail with a partner uses TLS?

To view the TLS Encryption report page on the Security Management appliance, select **Email** from the Product drop-down and choose **Monitoring > TLS Encryption** from the Reports drop-down. For more information, see [Using the Interactive Report Pages, on page 37](#).

The TLS Encryption report page has the following tabs:

- Incoming
- Outgoing

To search for specific information within your data, see [Searching and the Interactive Email Report Pages, on page 55](#).

The following list explains the various sections on the TLS Encryption report page:

Table 35: Details on the TLS Encryption Page

|                                |   |
|--------------------------------|---|
| Time Range (drop-down list)    | A drop-down list with options for choosing a time range to view. For more information, see <a href="#">Choosing a Time Range for Reports</a> , on page 26.  |
| View Data For (drop-down list) | Choose an Email Security appliance for which you want to view the data, or choose All Email Appliances.<br><br>See also <a href="#">Viewing Reporting Data for an Appliance or Reporting Group</a> , on page 25.  |
| TLS Connections Graph          | The TLS Encryption: Incoming page displays a graph view of incoming encrypted and unencrypted TLS connections over the last hour, day, week, month or year depending on the time frame that you have selected.<br><br>The TLS Encryption: Outgoing page displays a graph view of outgoing encrypted and unencrypted TLS connections over the last hour, day, week, month, or year, depending on the time frame that you have selected.  |
| TLS Connections Summary        | The TLS Encryption: Incoming page displays a table view of the total volume of incoming messages, the volume of encrypted and unencrypted messages, and the volume of successful and failed incoming TLS encrypted messages.<br><br>The TLS Encryption: Outgoing page displays a table view of the total volume of outgoing messages, the volume of encrypted and unencrypted messages, the volume of successful and failed outgoing TLS encrypted messages, and the volume of successful and failed outgoing TLS connection with DANE support. |
| TLS Messages                   | The TLS Encryption: Incoming page displays a chart view of the total count and percentage of incoming TLS encrypted and unencrypted messages.<br><br>The TLS Encryption: Outgoing page displays a chart view of the total count and percentage of outgoing TLS encrypted and unencrypted messages.  |
| TLS Messages Summary           | This table displays a summary of the total count and percentage of incoming and outgoing TLS encrypted and unencrypted messages.  |

|                         |  |
|-------------------------|--|
| TLS Connections Details | <p>This table displays details for domains sending or receiving encrypted messages. For each domain, you can view the total number of connections, messages sent, and the number of TLS connections that are successful or failed. You can also view the percentage of successful and failed connections for each domain.</p> <p>For more information, see <a href="#">TLS Connections Details Table, on page 133</a>.</p> |
|-------------------------|--|

### Related Topics

[TLS Connections Details Table, on page 133](#)

## TLS Connections Details Table

The TLS Connections Details table is an interactive table that shows the total number of connections, messages sent, and the number of TLS connections that are successful or failed, and the last TLS status for the incoming and outgoing messages. You can also view the percentage of successful and failed connections for each domain.

The following table shows the table column descriptions for the TLS Connection Details table:

**Table 36: Table Column Descriptions for TLS Connections Details Table**

| Column Name       | Description  |
|-------------------|--|
| Domain            | The domain name of the sender.   |
| TLS Req. Failed   | All required TLS connections that failed.  |
| TLS Req. Success  | All required TLS connections that are successful.  |
| TLS Pref. Failed  | All preferred TLS connections that failed.   |
| TLS Pref. Success | All preferred TLS connections that are successful.   |
| Last TLS Status   | <p>The status of the TLS connections mapped based on the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 0: N/A</li> <li>• 1: Required - Fail</li> <li>• 2: Preferred - Fail</li> <li>• 3: Required - Success</li> <li>• 4: Preferred - Success</li> </ul> |
| DANE Failure      | Total number of unsuccessful outgoing TLS connections with DANE support.   |
| DANE Success      | Total number of successful outgoing TLS connections with DANE support.   |

| Column Name              | Description  |
|--------------------------|--|
| Total TLS Connections    | Total number of TLS connections.                           |
| Unencrypted Connections  | Total number of unencrypted TLS connections.               |
| % TLS of all Connections | The percentage of TLS encryptions for all TLS connections. |
| Messages by TLS          | The total number of TLS messages.                          |

## Inbound SMTP Authentication Page

The Inbound SMTP Authentication report page shows the use of client certificates and the SMTP AUTH command to authenticate SMTP sessions between the Email Security appliance and users' mail clients. If the appliance accepts the certificate or SMTP AUTH command, it will establish a TLS connection to the mail client, which the client will use to send a message. Since it is not possible for the appliance to track these attempts on a per-user basis, the report shows details on SMTP authentication based on the domain name and domain IP address.

Use this report to determine the following information:

- Overall, how many incoming connection use SMTP authentication?
- How many connections use a client certificated?
- How many connections use SMTP AUTH?
- What domains are failing to connect when attempting to use SMTP authentication?
- How many connections are successfully using the fall-back when SMTP authentication fails?

To view the Inbound SMTP Authentication report page on the Security Management appliance, select **Email** from the Product drop-down and choose **Monitoring > Inbound SMTP Authentication** from the Reports drop-down. For more information, see [Using the Interactive Report Pages, on page 37](#).

The Inbound SMTP Authentication has two different views:

- Domains
- IP Addresses

These views provide a snapshot of the SMTP authentications in the context of the selected view.

The Inbound SMTP Authentication report page includes a graph for received connections, a graph for received recipients who attempted an SMTP authentication connection, and a table with details on the attempts to authenticate connections.

The following list explains the various sections on the Inbound SMTP Authentication report page:

**Table 37: Details on the Inbound SMTP Authentication Page**

| Section                     | Description   |
|-----------------------------|---|
| Time Range (drop-down list) | A drop-down list with options for choosing a time range to view. For more information, see <a href="#">Choosing a Time Range for Reports , on page 26</a> . |

| Section   | Description  |
|---|--|
| View Data For (drop-down list)                              | Choose an Email Security appliance for which you want to view the data, or choose All Email Appliances.<br><br>See also <a href="#">Viewing Reporting Data for an Appliance or Reporting Group, on page 25</a> .   |
| Received Connection Graph                                   | The Received Connections graph shows the incoming connections from mail clients that attempt to authentication their connections using SMTP authentication over the time range you specify. The graph displays the total number of connections the appliance received, the number that did not attempt to authenticate using SMTP authentication, the number that failed and succeeded to authenticate the connection using a client certificate, and the number that failed and succeeded to authenticate using the SMTP AUTH command.  |
| Received Recipient Graph                                    | The Received Recipients graph displays the number of recipients whose mail clients attempted to authenticate their connections to the Email Security appliances to send messages using SMTP authentication. The graph also show the number of recipients whose connections were authenticated and the number of recipients whose connections were not authenticated.   |
| SMTP Authentication Details (By Domain Name or IP Address). | The SMTP Authentication Details (by domain name and IP address) table displays details about the users who attempt to authenticate their connections to the Email Security appliance to send messages. For each domain, you can view the number of connection attempts using a client certificate that were successful or failed, the number of connection attempts using the SMTP AUTH command that were successful or failed, and the number that fell back to the SMTP AUTH after their client certificate connection attempt failed. |

## Rate Limits Page

Rate Limiting by envelope sender allows you to limit the number of email message recipients per time interval from an individual sender, based on the mail-from address. The Rate Limits report shows you the senders who most egregiously exceed this limit.

Use this report to help you identify the following:

- Compromised user accounts that might be used to send spam in bulk.
- Out-of-control applications in your organization that use email for notifications, alerts, automated statements, etc.
- Sources of heavy email activity in your organization, for internal billing or resource-management purposes.
- Sources of large-volume inbound email traffic that might not otherwise be considered spam.

To view the Rate Limits report page on the Security Management appliance, select **Email** from the Product drop-down and choose **Monitoring > Rate Limits** from the Reports drop-down. For more information, see [Using the Interactive Report Pages, on page 37](#).

Note that other reports that include statistics for internal senders (such as Internal Users or Outgoing Senders) measure only the number of messages sent; they do not identify senders of a few messages to a large number of recipients.

The Top Offenders by Incident chart shows the envelope senders who most frequently attempted to send messages to more recipients than the configured limit. Each attempt is one incident. This chart aggregates incident counts from all listeners.

The Top Offenders by Rejected Recipients chart shows the envelope senders who sent messages to the largest number of recipients above the configured limit. This chart aggregates recipient counts from all listeners.

Rate Limiting settings, including “Rate Limit for Envelope Senders” settings, are configured on the Email Security appliance in Mail Policies > Mail Flow Policies. For more information on rate limiting, see the documentation or online help for your Email Security appliance.

### Related Topics

[High Volume Mail Page, on page 145](#)

## Connections by Country Page

You can use the Connections by Country report page to view:

- Top incoming mail connections based on country of origin in graphical format.
- Total incoming mail connections and messages based on country of origin in tabular format.

To view the Connections by Country report page on the Security Management appliance, select **Email** from the Product drop-down and choose **Monitoring > Connections by Country** from the Reports drop-down. For more information, see [Using the Interactive Report Pages, on page 37](#).

The following are the scenarios when no country information is displayed for the top and total incoming mail connections:

- The sender IP address belongs to a private IP address.
- The sender IP address does not get a valid SBRS.

If your access privileges allow you to view Message Tracking data for the messages that populate this report, click a blue number link in the table.

From the Connections by Country report page you can export raw data to a CSV file. For information on printing or exporting a file, see the [Exporting Reporting and Tracking Data , on page 31](#).

## Domain Protection Page

The Cisco Domain Protection cloud service interface automatically identifies, monitors and manages messages sent on your behalf. This provides an easy way to identify and eliminate illegitimate email messages and block malicious ones to prevent phishing attacks impersonating your company’s domain. Domain Protection even detects the use of look-alike domains so the malicious URLs can be quickly taken down.

You can use the **Monitoring > Domain Protection** report page of the new web interface of your appliance to view:

- Summary of messages that are classified as legitimate or threat, in a graphical format.
- Summary of the destination domains details based on the senders, in a tabular format.



Make sure that you have a valid license to access Cisco Domain Protection cloud service interface with Administrator access privileges. To obtain a license, go to the Cisco Domain Protection registration page using the following URL: <https://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/buy.html>.

If you are already registered to Cisco Domain Protection, enter the following details to authenticate and view the Domain Protection reports on your appliance:

- **Client ID:** This is the API access UID used to import the reports from the Cisco Domain Protection cloud service.
- **Client Secret:** This is the API access key used to import the reports from the Cisco Domain Protection cloud service.

To generate API access UID and key, you must log in to the Cisco Domain Protection cloud service and go to **Settings > API Client Secret > Generate API Credentials**. For more information, see *User Guide for Cisco Domain Protection*.



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**Note** To view the Domain Protection report page on the new web interface of your appliance, make sure that `trailblazerconfig` is enabled on your appliance.

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## User Mail Summary

The User Mail Summary report page provides information about the mail sent and received by your internal users per email address. A single user can have multiple email addresses. The email addresses are not combined in the report.

You can use the User Mail Summary report page to view:

- Who is sending the most external email?
- Who receives the most clean email?
- Who receives the largest number of graymail messages?
- Who receives the most spam?
- Who is triggering which content filters?
- Whose email is getting caught by content filters?

To view the User Mail Summary report page on the Security Management appliance, select **Email** from the Product drop-down and choose **Monitoring > User Mail Summary** from the Reports drop-down. For more information, see [Using the Interactive Report Pages, on page 37](#).

To search for specific information within your data, see [Searching and the Interactive Email Report Pages, on page 55](#).

The following list explains the various sections on the User Mail Summary report page:

Table 38: Details on the User Mail Summary Page

| Section                              | Description  |
|--------------------------------------|--|
| Time Range (drop-down list)          | A drop-down list with options for choosing a time range to view. For more information, see <a href="#">Choosing a Time Range for Reports</a> , on page 26.   |
| View Data For (drop-down list)       | Choose an Email Security appliance for which you want to view the data, or choose All Email Appliances.<br><br>See also <a href="#">Viewing Reporting Data for an Appliance or Reporting Group</a> , on page 25.   |
| Top Users by Clean Incoming Messages | The top users (by domain), of clean incoming messages received by your organization.   |
| Top Users by Clean Outgoing Messages | The top users (by domain), of clean outgoing messages sent by your organization.   |
| Top Users by Graymail                | The top users (by domain), of graymail messages.   |
| User Mail Flow Details               | The User Mail Flow Details interactive table breaks down the mails received and sent by each email address. You can sort the listing by clicking the column headers.<br><br>For more information, see the <a href="#">User Mail Flow Details Table</a> , on page 138.<br><br>To view Message Tracking details for the messages that populate this report, click a blue number link in the table. |

From the User Mail Summary report page you can export raw data to a CSV file. For information on printing or exporting a file, see the [Exporting Reporting and Tracking Data](#) , on page 31.



**Note** You can generate a scheduled report for the User Mail Summary page. See the [Scheduling Email Reports](#), on page 151.

#### Related Topics

- [User Mail Flow Details Table](#), on page 138
- [Searching for a Specific Internal User](#), on page 73

## User Mail Flow Details Table

The User Mail Flow Detail table shows detailed information about a user, including a breakdown of incoming and outgoing messages, and the number of messages in each category (such as spam detected, virus detected, stopped by content filter, etc.). Incoming and outgoing content filter matches are also shown.

Inbound Internal Users are the users for which you received email, based on the Rcpt To: address. Outbound Internal Users are based on the Mail From: address, and are useful when tracking the types of email that senders on your internal network are sending.

Some outbound mail (such as bounces) has a null sender. They are counted as outbound “unknown.”

To view Message Tracking details for the messages that populate this report, click a number hyperlink in the table.

The following table shows the table column descriptions for the User Mail Flow Details table:

**Table 39: Table Column Descriptions for User Mail Flow Details Table**

| Column Name                                      | Description   |
|--|---|
| Internal User                                    | The domain name of the internal user.   |
| Incoming Spam Detected                           | All incoming spam that was detected.  |
| Incoming Virus Detected                          | The incoming virus that were detected.  |
| Incoming Detected by Advanced Malware Protection | The incoming messages that are detected by Advanced Malware Protection (File Analysis and File Reputation). |
| Incoming Content Filter Matches                  | The incoming content filter matches that were detected.   |
| Incoming Stopped by Content Filter               | The incoming messages that were stopped due to content filters that have been set.                          |
| Incoming Marketing                               | The incoming messages that were detected as marketing.  |
| Incoming Social Networking                       | The incoming messages that were detected as social networking.  |
| Incoming Bulk                                    | The incoming messages that were detected as bulk.   |
| Incoming Graymails                               | The incoming messages that were detected as graymail.   |
| Incoming Clean                                   | All incoming clean messages.  |
| Outgoing Spam Detected                           | The outgoing spam that was detected.  |
| Outgoing Virus Detected                          | The outgoing viruses that were detected.  |
| Outgoing Content Filter Matches                  | The outgoing content filter matches that were detected.   |
| Outgoing Stopped by Content Filter               | The outgoing messages that were stopped due to content filters that have been set.                          |
| Outgoing Clean                                   | All outgoing clean messages.  |

## Searching for a Specific Internal User

With the search form at the bottom of the User Mail Summary page and the User Mail Flow Details page, you can search for a specific internal user (email address). Select whether to exactly match the search text or look for items starting with the entered text (for example, starts with “ex” will match “example@example.com”).

## DLP Incident Summary Page

The DLP Incidents (DLP Incident Summary) report page shows information on the incidents of data loss prevention (DLP) policy violations occurring in outgoing mail. The Email Security appliance uses the DLP email policies enabled in the Outgoing Mail Policies table to detect sensitive data sent by your users. Every occurrence of an outgoing message violating a DLP policy is reported as an incident.

Using the DLP Incident Summary report, you can answer these kinds of questions:

- What type of sensitive data is being sent by your users?
- How severe are these DLP incidents?
- How many of these messages are being delivered?
- How many of these messages are being dropped?
- Who is sending these messages?

The DLP Incident Summary page contains two main sections:

- The DLP incident trend graphs summarizing the top DLP incidents by severity (Low, Medium, High, Critical) and policy matches.
- The DLP Incident Details listing.

To view the DLP Incident Summary report page on the Security Management appliance, select **Email** from the Product drop-down and choose **Monitoring > DLP Incident Summary** from the Reports drop-down. For more information, see [Using the Interactive Report Pages, on page 37](#).

From the DLP Incidents report page you can export raw data to a CSV file. For information on printing or exporting a file, see the [Exporting Reporting and Tracking Data , on page 31](#).

To search for specific information within your data, see [Searching and the Interactive Email Report Pages , on page 55](#).

The following list explains the various sections on the DLP Incident Summary report page:

**Table 40: Details on the DLP Incident Summary Page**

| Section                        | Description   |
|--------------------------------|---|
| Time Range (drop-down list)    | A drop-down list with options for choosing a time range to view. For more information, see <a href="#">Choosing a Time Range for Reports , on page 26</a> .   |
| View Data For (drop-down list) | Choose an Email Security appliance for which you want to view the data, or choose All Email Appliances.<br><br>See also <a href="#">Viewing Reporting Data for an Appliance or Reporting Group, on page 25</a> .  |
| Top Incidents by Severity      | The top DLP incidents listed by severity.   |
| Incident Summary               | The DLP policies currently enabled for each email appliance's outgoing mail policies are listed in the DLP Incident Details interactive table at the bottom of the DLP Incident Summary page. Click the name of a DLP policy to view more detailed information. |

| Section                | Description  |
|------------------------|--|
| Top DLP Policy Matches | The top DLP Policies that have been matched.   |
| DLP Incident Details   | <p>The DLP Incidents Details table shows the total number of DLP incidents per policy, with a breakdown by severity level, and whether any of the messages are delivered in the clear, delivered encrypted, or dropped.</p> <p>To view Message Tracking details for the messages that populate this report, click a blue number link in the table.</p> |

## Web Interaction Page

You can use the Web Interaction report page to view:

- Top Malicious URLs clicked by End Users.
- Top Users who clicked on Rewritten Malicious URLs.
- Web Interaction Tracking Details.



**Note** Web Interaction report modules are populated only if the Web Interaction Tracking feature is enabled on managed Email Security appliances.

Web Interaction reports are available for incoming and outgoing messages. Only rewritten URLs (either by policy or Outbreak Filter) clicked by the end users are included in these modules.

To view the Web Interaction report page on the Security Management appliance, select **Email** from the Product drop-down and choose **Monitoring > Web Interaction** from the Reports drop-down. For more information, see [Using the Interactive Report Pages, on page 37](#).

From the Web Interaction report page you can export raw data to a CSV file. For information on printing or exporting a file, see the [Exporting Reporting and Tracking Data , on page 31](#).

The following list explains the various sections on the Web Interaction report page:

**Table 41: Details on the Web Interaction Page**

| Section                                 | Description  |
|---|--|
| Time Range (drop-down list)             | A drop-down list with options for choosing a time range to view. For more information, see <a href="#">Choosing a Time Range for Reports , on page 26</a> .  |
| View Data For (drop-down list)          | <p>Choose an Email Security appliance for which you want to view the data, or choose All Email Appliances.</p> <p>See also <a href="#">Viewing Reporting Data for an Appliance or Reporting Group, on page 25</a>.</p> |
| Top Malicious URLs clicked by End Users | This section displays the summary of the top malicious URLs clicked by end users, for incoming and outgoing messages.  |

| Section                                 | Description   |
|---|---|
| Top Users who clicked on Malicious URLs | This section displays the summary of the top end users who clicked on the Rewritten Malicious URLs, for incoming and outgoing messages.   |
| Web Interaction Tracking Details        | <p>This section displays the chart view and the summary of malicious and neutral URLs of the incoming and outgoing messages.</p> <p>To view Message Tracking details for the messages that populate this report, click a blue number link in the table.</p> |

## Web Interaction Tracking Details

The Web Interaction Tracking Details table is an interactive table which includes the following information:

- A list of all the rewritten URLs (malicious and unmalicious).
- Action taken (allow, block, or unknown) when a rewritten URL was clicked.
- If the verdict of a URL (clean or malicious) was unknown at the time when the end user clicked it, the status is shown as unknown. This could be because the URL was under further scrutiny or the web server was down or not reachable at the time of the user click.
- The number of times end users clicked on a rewritten URL.
- Note the following:
  - If you have configured a content or message filter to deliver messages after rewriting malicious URLs and notify another user (for example, an administrator), the web interaction tracking data for the original recipient is incremented if the notified user clicks on the rewritten URLs.
  - If you are sending a copy of quarantined messages containing rewritten URLs to a user other than the original recipient (for example, to an administrator) using the web interface, the web interaction tracking data for the original recipient is incremented if the other user clicks on the rewritten URLs.

To view Message Tracking details for the messages that populate this report, click a blue number link in the table.

## Remediation Reports Page

The Remediation Report page displays the remediation results of messages attempted for remediation using Mailbox Auto Remediation and Mailbox Search and Remediate.

On the Security Management appliance, click the **Monitoring** tab and select **Mail Flow Summary > User Reports > Remediation Report**.

You can use this report to:

- View the messages attempted for remediation using Mailbox Auto Remediation and Mailbox Search and Remediate.
- Know the reason for remediation failure. For example, connections errors, authentication errors, and so on.

The following list explains the various sections on the Remediation Report page:

Table 42: Details on the Remediation Reports Page

| Section                         | Description  |
|---------------------------------|--|
| Summary                         | <p>The Summary section displays the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Total number of messages attempted for remediation using Mailbox Auto Remediation and Mailbox Search and Remediate.</li> <li>• Number of messages successfully remediated for a configured remedial action.</li> <li>• Number of messages for which the remediation failed.</li> </ul>   |
| Mailbox Auto Remediation Report | <p>The Mailbox Auto Remediation report section displays the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A list of recipients for whom the mailbox remediation was successful or unsuccessful.</li> <li>• Remedial actions taken on messages.</li> <li>• The filenames associated with a SHA-256 hash. Click the SHA-256 hash to view the related messages in the Message Tracking page.</li> <li>• A list of profile names defined for the recipients for whom the mailbox remediation was successful or unsuccessful.</li> <li>• Reason for the remediation failure.</li> </ul> <p><b>Note</b> After upgrading to AsyncOS 13.6.1, the message tracking status of the messages received before the upgrade remains as "Delivered" than "Remediated."</p> |

| Section                      | Description   |
|------------------------------|---|
| Mailbox Search and Remediate | <p>The Mailbox Search and Remediate section displays the following details:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The list of remediation batches that are in progress or completed.</li> <li>• The remediation status of the messages in the batches.</li> <li>• The batch name and batch ID. Click the batch name to view the batch details: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The date and time when the remediation was initiated.</li> <li>• The source from which the remediation was initiated.</li> <li>• The host who initiated the remediation of the messages.</li> <li>• The remedial action taken on the messages.</li> <li>• The Cisco Ironport Message ID of the message.</li> <li>• A read receipt icon to show if the message was read by the recipient before the message was remediated successfully.</li> <li>• The remediation status of the message in the particular batch as Success, Failed, or In Progress.</li> <li>• The email address of the sender who sent the message.</li> <li>• The email addresses of the recipients for whom the message was delivered and later attempted for remediation.</li> <li>• The date and time when the message was sent to the recipient.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> |

## Message Filters Page

The Message Filters report page shows information about the top message filter matches (which message filters had the largest number of matching messages) for incoming and outgoing messages.

You can use the Message Filters report page to view:

- Top message filter by number of matches in graphical format.
- Total message filter by number of matches in tabular format.

To view the Message Filters report page on the Security Management appliance, select **Email** from the Product drop-down and choose **Monitoring > Message Filters** from the Reports drop-down. For more information, see [Using the Interactive Report Pages, on page 37](#).

From the Message Filters report page you can export raw data to a CSV file. For information on printing or exporting a file, see the [Exporting Reporting and Tracking Data , on page 31](#).



## High Volume Mail Page

You can use the High Volume Mail report page to:

- Identify attacks involving a large number of messages from a single sender, or with identical subjects, within a moving one-hour period.
- Monitor top domains to ensure that such attacks do not originate in your own domain. If this situation occurs, one or more accounts in your organization may be compromised.
- Help identify false positives so you can adjust your filters accordingly.

You can use the High Volume Mail report page to view:

- Messages with the top subjects in graphical format.
- Messages with the top envelope senders in graphical format.
- Top message filters by number of matches in graphical format.
- Total message filters by number of matches in tabular format.

To view the High Volume Mail report page on the Security Management appliance, select **Email** from the Product drop-down and choose **Monitoring > High Volume Mail** from the Reports drop-down. For more information, see [Using the Interactive Report Pages, on page 37](#).

From the High Volume Mail report page you can export raw data to a CSV file. For information on printing or exporting a file, see the [Exporting Reporting and Tracking Data , on page 31](#).

Reports on this page show data only from message filters that use the Header Repeats rule and that pass the number-of-messages threshold that you set in that rule. When combined with other rules, the Header Repeats rule is evaluated last, and is not evaluated at all if the message disposition is determined by a preceding condition. Similarly, messages caught by Rate Limiting never reach Header Repeats message filters. Therefore, some messages that might otherwise be considered high-volume mail may not be included in these reports. If you have configured your filters to include certain messages in allowed list, those messages are also excluded from these reports.

For more information about message filters and the Header Repeats rule, see the online help or user guide for your Email Security appliance.

## Content Filters Page

The Content Filters report page shows information about the top incoming and outgoing content filter matches (which content filter had the most matching messages). The page displays the data as both bar charts and listings. Using the Content Filters report page, you can answer the following types of questions:

- Which content filter is triggered the most by incoming or outgoing mail?
- Who are the top users sending or receiving mail that triggers a particular content filter?

You can use the Content Filter report page to view:

- Top incoming and outgoing content filter matches in graphical format.
- Top incoming and outgoing content filter matches in tabular format.

To view the Content Filters report page on the Security Management appliance, select **Email** from the Product drop-down and choose **Monitoring > Content Filters** from the Reports drop-down. For more information, see [Using the Interactive Report Pages, on page 37](#).

From the Content Filters report page you can export raw data to a CSV file. For information on printing or exporting a file, see the [Exporting Reporting and Tracking Data , on page 31](#).



**Note** You can generate a scheduled report for the Content Filter page. See the [Scheduling Email Reports, on page 151](#).

## Content Filter Details Page

The Content Filter Detail page displays matches for the filter over time, as well as matches by internal user.

In the Matches by Internal User section, click the name of a user to view the detail page for the internal user (email address). For more information, see [User Mail Summary, on page 137](#).

If your access privileges allow you to view Message Tracking data: To view Message Tracking details for the messages that populate this report, click a blue number link in the table.

## Reporting Data Availability Page

From the Reports drop-down, select **Monitoring > Reporting Data Availability** on the new web interface of your appliance to view, update and sort data to provide real-time visibility into resource utilization and email traffic trouble spots.

All data resource utilization and email traffic trouble spots are shown from this page, including the data availability for the overall appliances that are managed by the Security Management appliance.

From this report page you can also view the data availability for a specific appliance and time range.

## Reporting of Graymail

Graymail statistics are reflected in the following reports:

| Report   | Contains the Following Graymail Data   |
|--|--|
| Mail Flow Summary page > Incoming tab          | The number of incoming graymail messages under each graymail category (Marketing, Social, and Bulk) and the total number of graymail messages.   |
| Mail Flow Details page > Outgoing Senders tab  | The top graymail senders.  |
| Mail Flow Details page > Incoming Mails tab    | The number of incoming graymail messages under each graymail category (Marketing, Social, and Bulk) and the total number of graymail messages for all the IP addresses, domain names, or network owners. |
| User Mail Summary page > Top Users by Graymail | The top end users who receive graymail.  |

| Report                                     | Contains the Following Graymail Data   |
|--|--|
| User Mail Summary page > User Mail Details | The number of incoming graymail messages under each graymail category (Marketing, Social, and Bulk) and the total number of graymail messages for all the users. |

### Related Topics

- [Reporting of Marketing Messages after Upgrade to AsyncOS 9.5](#), on page 91

## Reporting of Marketing Messages after Upgrade to AsyncOS 9.5

After upgrade to AsyncOS 9.5:

- The number of marketing messages is the sum of marketing messages detected before and after the upgrade.
- The total number of graymail messages does not include the number of marketing messages detected before the upgrade.
- The total number of attempted messages also includes the number of marketing messages detected before the upgrade.
- If the graymail feature is not enabled on managed Email Security appliances, marketing messages are counted as clean messages.

## About Scheduled and On-Demand Email Reports

### Types of Reports Available

Except as noted, the following types of Email Security reports are available as both scheduled and on-demand reports:

- Content Filters—This report includes up to 40 content filters. For additional information on what is included on this page, see the [Content Filters Page, on page 145](#).
- DLP Incident Summary—For information on what is included on this page, see the [DLP Incident Summary Page, on page 140](#).
- Delivery Status—The report page displays information about delivery problems to a specific recipient domain or Virtual Gateway address, page displays a list of the top 20, 50, or 100 recipient domains for messages delivered by the system within the last three hours. You can sort by latest host status, active recipients (the default), connections out, delivered recipients, soft bounced events, and hard bounced recipients by clicking the links in the column heading for each statistic. For more information on what the Delivery Status page does on the Email Security appliance, see the documentation or online help for your Email Security appliance.
- Domain-Based Executive Summary—This report is based on the [Mail Flow Summary Page, on page 99](#), and is limited to a group of specified domains. For information on what is included, see the [Domain-Based Executive Summary Report, on page 148](#).
- Executive Summary—This report is based on the information from the [Mail Flow Summary Page, on page 99](#). For information on what is included, see the [Domain-Based Executive Summary Report, on page 148](#).
- Mail Flow Details — For information on what is included on this page, see the [Mail Flow Details Page, on page 122](#).

- User Mail Summary—For information on what is included on this page, see the [User Mail Summary, on page 137](#).
- Outgoing Destinations—For information on what is included on this page, see the [Outgoing Destinations Page, on page 129](#).
- Sender Groups —For information on what is included on this page, see the [Sender Groups Page, on page 129](#).
- TLS Encrptions—For information on what is included on this page, see the [TLS Encryption Page, on page 131](#).
- Virus Types—For information on what is included on this page, see the [Virus Filtering Page, on page 114](#).

### Time ranges

Depending on the report, these reports can be configured to include data for the previous day, previous seven days, previous month, previous calendar day (up to 250), or previous calendar month (up to 12). Alternatively, you can include data for a custom number of days (from 2 days to 100 days) or a custom number of months (from 2 months to 12 months).

Regardless of when you run a report, the data is returned from the previous time interval (hour, day, week, or month). For example, if you schedule a daily report to run at 1AM, the report will contain data from the previous day, midnight to midnight (00:00 to 23:59).

### Languages and Locales



**Note** You can schedule a PDF report or export raw data as a CSV file with a specific locale for that individual report. The language drop-down menu on the Scheduled Reports page allows you to view or schedule a PDF report in the users current selected locale and language. See important information at [Exporting Reporting and Tracking Data , on page 31](#).

### Storage of Archived Reports

For information on how long reports are stored for, and when archived reports are deleted from the system, see [Viewing and Managing Archived Email Reports , on page 155](#).

## Additional Report Types

Two special reports that can be generated in the **Email > Reporting** section on the Security Management appliance are:

- [Domain-Based Executive Summary Report, on page 148](#)
- [Executive Summary Report , on page 151](#)

### Domain-Based Executive Summary Report

The Domain-Based Executive Summary report provides a synopsis of the incoming and outgoing message activity for one or more domains in your network. It is similar to the Executive Summary report, but it limits the report data to the messages sent to and from the domains that you specify. The outgoing mail summary shows data only when the domain in the PTR (pointer record) of the sending server matches a domain you

specify. If multiple domains are specified, the appliance aggregates the data for all those domains into a single report.

To generate reports for a subdomain, you must add its parent domain as a second-level domain in the reporting system of the Email Security appliance and the Security Management appliance. For example, if you add example.com as a second-level domain, its subdomains, such as subdomain.example.com, are available for reporting. To add second-level domains, use **reportingconfig -> mailsetup -> tld** in the Email Security appliance CLI, and **reportingconfig -> domain -> tld** in the Security Management appliance CLI.

Unlike other scheduled reports, Domain-Based Executive Summary reports are not archived.

## Domain-Based Executive Summary Reports and Messages Blocked by Sender Reputation Filtering

Because messages blocked by sender reputation filtering do not enter the work queue, AsyncOS does not process these messages to determine the domain destination. An algorithm estimates the number of rejected messages per domain. To determine the exact number of blocked messages per domain, you can delay HAT rejections on the Security Management appliance until the messages reach the recipient level (RCPT TO). This allows AsyncOS to collect recipient data from the incoming messages. You can delay rejections using **listenerconfig -> setup** command on the Email Security appliance. However, this option can impact system performance. For more information about delayed HAT rejections, see the documentation for your Email Security appliance.



**Note** To see Stopped by Reputation Filtering results in your Domain-Based Executive Summary report on the Security Management appliance, you must have **hat\_reject\_info** enabled on both the Email Security appliance and the Security Management appliance. To enable the **hat\_reject\_info** on the Security Management appliance, run the **reportingconfig > domain > hat\_reject\_info** command.

## Managing Lists of Domains and Recipients for Domain-Based Executive Summary Reports

You can use a configuration file to manage the domains and recipients for a Domain-Based Executive Summary report. The configuration file is a text file that is stored in the configuration directory of the appliance. Each line in the file produces a separate report. This allows you to include a large number of domains and recipients in a single report, as well as define multiple domain reports in a single configuration file.

Each line of the configuration file includes a space-separated list of domain names and a space-separated list of email addresses for the report recipients. A comma separates the list of domain names from the list of email addresses. You can include subdomains by appending the subdomain name and a period at the beginning of the parent domain name, such as subdomain.example.com.

The following is a Single Report configuration file that generates three reports.

```
yourdomain.com sampledomain.com, admin@yourdomain.com
sampledomain.com, admin@yourdomain.com user@sampledomain.com
subdomain.example.com mail.example.com, user@example.com
```



**Note** You can use a configuration file and the settings defined for a single named report to generate multiple reports at the same time. For example, a company named Bigfish purchases two other companies, Redfish and Bluefish, and continues to maintain their domains. Bigfish creates a single Domain-Based Executive Summary report using a configuration file containing three lines corresponding to separate domain reports. When the appliance generates a Domain-Based Executive Summary report, an administrator for Bigfish receives a report on the Bigfish.com, Redfish.com, and Bluefish.com domains, while a Redfish administrator receives a report on the Redfish.com domain and a Bluefish administrator receives a report on the Bluefish.com domain.


You can upload a different configuration file to the appliance for each named report. You can also use the same configuration file for multiple reports. For example, you might create separate named reports that provide data about the same domains over different time periods. If you update a configuration file on your appliance, you do not have to update the report settings in the GUI unless you change the filename.

## Creating Domain-Based Executive Summary Reports

### Procedure

**Step 1** On the Security Management appliance, you can schedule the report or generate the report immediately.

To schedule the report:

- a) [New Web Interface Only] On the Security Management appliance, click  to load the legacy web interface.
- b) Choose **Email > Reporting > Scheduled Reports**.
- c) Click **Add Scheduled Report**.

To create an on-demand report:

- Choose **Email > Reporting > Archived Reports**.
- Click **Generate Report Now**.

**Step 2** From the **Report Type** drop-down list, choose **Domain-Based Executive Summary** report type.

**Step 3** Specify the domains to include in the report and the email addresses for the report recipients. You can select one of the following options for generating the report:

- Generate report by specifying individual domains. Enter the domains for the report and the email addresses for the report recipients. Use commas to separate multiple entries. You can also use subdomains, such as subdomain.yourdomain.com. Specifying individual domains is recommended if you create reports for a small number of domains that are not expected to change frequently.
- Generate reports by uploading file. Import a configuration file that contains a list of the domains and recipient email addresses for the report. You can select a configuration file from the configuration directory on the appliance or upload one from your local computer. Using a configuration file is recommended if you create reports for a large number of domains that change frequently. For more information on configuration files for domain-based reports, see [Managing Lists of Domains and Recipients for Domain-Based Executive Summary Reports](#), on page 149.

**Note** If you send reports to an external account (such as Yahoo! Mail or Gmail), you may need to add the reporting return address to the external account's allowed list to prevent report messages from being incorrectly classified as spam.

- Step 4** In the Title text field, type the name of the title for the report.  
AsyncOS does not verify the uniqueness of report names. To avoid confusion, do not create multiple reports with the same name.
- Step 5** In the Outgoing Domain section, choose the domain type for the outgoing mail summary. Choices are: By Server or By Email Address.
- Step 6** From the Time Range to Include drop-down list, select a time range for the report data.
- Step 7** In the Format section, choose the format of the report.  
Choices include:
- PDF. Create a formatted PDF document for delivery, archival, or both. You can view the report as a PDF file immediately by clicking Preview PDF Report.
  - CSV. Create an ASCII text file that contains raw data as comma-separated values. Each CSV file may contain up to 100 rows. If a report contains more than one type of table, a separate CSV file is created for each table.
- Step 8** From the Schedule section, choose a schedule for generating the report.  
Choices include: Daily, Weekly (drop-down list for day of week included), or monthly.
- Step 9** (Optional) Upload a custom logo for the report. The logo appears at the top of the report.
- The logo should be a .jpg, .gif, or .png file that is at most 550 x 50 pixels.
  - If a logo file is not supplied, the default Cisco logo is used.
- Step 10** Select a language for this report. For generating PDFs in Asian languages, see important information at [Exporting Reporting and Tracking Data](#) , on page 31.
- Step 11** Click **Submit** to submit your changes on the page, then click **Commit Changes** to commit your changes.
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## Executive Summary Report

The Executive Summary Report is a high-level overview of the incoming and outgoing email message activity from your Email Security appliances. that can be viewed on the Security Management appliance.

This report page summarizes what you can view on the [Mail Flow Summary Page, on page 99](#). For more information on the Email Reporting Overview page, see [Mail Flow Summary Page, on page 99](#).

## Scheduled Reports Page

- [Scheduling Email Reports, on page 151](#)
- [Scheduling Web Reports , on page 223](#)

## Scheduling Email Reports

You can schedule any of the reports listed in [About Scheduled and On-Demand Email Reports](#) , on page 147.

To manage report scheduling, see the following:

- [Adding Scheduled Reports, on page 152](#)
- [Editing Scheduled Reports, on page 153](#)
- [Discontinuing Scheduled Reports , on page 153](#)

## Adding Scheduled Reports

To add a scheduled email report, use the following steps:

### Procedure

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**Step 1** Choose **Email > Reporting > Scheduled Reports**.

**Step 2** Click **Add Scheduled Report**.

**Step 3** Choose your report type.

For descriptions of the report types, see [About Scheduled and On-Demand Email Reports , on page 147](#).

**Note** - For information about the settings for a Domain-Based Executive Summary report, see [Domain-Based Executive Summary Report, on page 148](#).

- Available options for scheduled reports differ by report type. Options described in the remainder of this procedure do not necessarily apply to all reports.

**Step 4** In the **Title** field, type the title of your report.

To avoid creating multiple reports with the same name, we recommend using a descriptive title.

**Step 5** Choose the time range for the report from the **Time Range to Include** drop-down menu.

**Step 6** Choose the format for the generated report.

The default format is PDF. Most reports also allow you to save raw data as a CSV file.

**Step 7** Depending on the report, for Number of Rows, choose the amount of data to include.

**Step 8** Depending on the report, choose the column by which to sort the report.

**Step 9** From the **Schedule** area, select the radio button next to the day, week, or month for your scheduled report. Additionally, include the time that you want the report scheduled for. Time increments are based on midnight to midnight (00:00 to 23:59).

**Step 10** In the **Email** text field, type in the email address where the generated report will be sent.

If you do not specify an email recipient, the system will still archive the reports.

You can add as many recipients for reports as you want, including zero recipients. If you need to send the reports to a large number of addresses, however, you may want to create a mailing list instead of listing the recipients individually.

**Step 11** Choose a language for the report.

For Asian languages, see important information at [Exporting Reporting and Tracking Data , on page 31](#).

**Step 12** Click **Submit**.


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## Editing Scheduled Reports

### Procedure

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- Step 1** [New Web Interface Only] On the Security Management appliance, click  to load the legacy web interface.
  - Step 2** Choose **Email > Reporting > Scheduled Reports**.
  - Step 3** Click the report name link in the Report Title column that you want to modify.
  - Step 4** Modify the report settings.
  - Step 5** Submit and commit your changes.
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## Discontinuing Scheduled Reports

To prevent future instances of scheduled reports from being generated, perform the following steps:

### Procedure

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- Step 1** [New Web Interface Only] On the Security Management appliance, click  to load the legacy web interface.
- Step 2** Choose **Email > Reporting > Scheduled Reports**.
- Step 3** Select the check boxes corresponding to the reports that you want to discontinue generating. To remove all scheduled reports, select the **All** check box.
- Step 4** Click **Delete**.

**Note** Any archived versions of deleted reports are *not* automatically deleted. To delete previously-generated reports, see [Deleting Archived Reports, on page 155](#).

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## Generating Email Reports On Demand

In addition to the reports that you can view (and generate PDFs for) using the interactive report pages described in [Understanding the Email Reporting Pages on the New Web Interface, on page 95](#), you can save PDFs or raw-data CSV files for the reports listed in [About Scheduled and On-Demand Email Reports, on page 147](#) at any time, for the time frame that you specify.

To generate an on-demand report perform the following:

### Procedure

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- Step 1** [New Web Interface Only] On the Security Management appliance, click  to load the legacy web interface.
- Step 2** Choose **Email > Reporting > Archived Reports**.
- Step 3** Click **Generate Report Now**.

- Step 4** Choose a report type.  
For descriptions of the report types, see [About Scheduled and On-Demand Email Reports](#) , on page 147.
- Step 5** In the Title text field, type the name of the title for the report.  
AsyncOS does not verify the uniqueness of report names. To avoid confusion, do not create multiple reports with the same name.
- Note** For information about the settings for a Domain-Based Executive Summary report, see [Domain-Based Executive Summary Report](#) , on page 148.  
Available options for scheduled reports differ by report type. Options described in the remainder of this procedure do not necessarily apply to all reports.
- Step 6** From the Time Range to Include drop-down list, select a time range for the report data.  
Note the custom time range option.
- Step 7** In the Format section, choose the format of the report.  
Choices include:
- PDF. Create a formatted PDF document for delivery, archival, or both. You can view the report as a PDF file immediately by clicking Preview PDF Report.
  - CSV. Create an ASCII text file that contains raw data as comma-separated values. Each CSV file may contain up to 100 rows. If a report contains more than one type of table, a separate CSV file is created for each table.
- Step 8** Select the appliances or appliance groups for which you want to run the report. If you have not created any appliance groups, this option does not appear.
- Step 9** From the Delivery Option section, choose the following:
- Archive the report by checking the **Archive Report** checkbox.
- By choosing this, the report will be listed on the Archived Reports page.
- Note** Domain-Based Executive Summary reports cannot be archived.
- Email the report, by checking the **Email now to recipients** checkbox.
- In the text field, type in the recipient email addresses for the report.
- Step 10** Select a language for this report. For generating PDFs in Asian languages, see important information at [Exporting Reporting and Tracking Data](#) , on page 31.
- Step 11** Click **Deliver This Report** to generate the report.
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## Archived Email Reports Page

- [About Scheduled and On-Demand Email Reports](#) , on page 147
- [Generating Email Reports On Demand](#) , on page 153
- [Viewing and Managing Archived Email Reports](#) , on page 155

# Viewing and Managing Archived Email Reports

Scheduled and on-demand reports are archived for a period of time.

The Security Management appliance retains the most recent reports that it generates, up to 30 instances of each scheduled report, up to 1000 total versions for all reports. The limit of 30 instances applies to each scheduled report with the same name and time range.

Archived reports are deleted automatically. As new reports are added, older reports are removed to keep the number at 1000.


Archived reports are stored in the /periodic\_reports directory on the appliance. (See [IP Interfaces and Accessing the Appliance](#), on page 557 for more information.)

## Accessing Archived Reports

The **Email > Reporting > Archived Reports** page lists scheduled and on-demand reports that you have chosen to archive which have been generated and not yet purged.

### Procedure

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- Step 1** [New Web Interface Only] On the Security Management appliance, click  to load the legacy web interface.
  - Step 2** Choose **Email > Reporting > Archived Reports**.
  - Step 3** To locate a particular report if the list is long, filter the list by choosing a report type from the **Show** menu, or click a column heading to sort by that column.
  - Step 4** Click the Report Title to view that report.
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## Deleting Archived Reports

Reports are automatically deleted from the system according to the rules outlined in [Viewing and Managing Archived Email Reports](#), on page 155. However, you can manually delete unneeded reports.

To manually delete Archived reports, perform the following:

### Procedure

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- Step 1** [New Web Interface Only] On the Security Management appliance, click  to load the legacy web interface.
- Step 2** Choose **Email > Reporting > Archived Reports**.  
The Archived reports that are available are displayed.
- Step 3** Select the checkbox for one or more reports to delete.
- Step 4** Click **Delete**.

- Step 5** To prevent future instances of scheduled reports from being generated, see [Discontinuing Scheduled Reports](#), on page 153.
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## Scheduling and Archiving Email Reports on the New Web Interface

- [Scheduling Email Reports on the New Web Interface](#), on page 156
- [Archived Email Reports Page on the New Web Interface](#), on page 158

### Scheduling Email Reports on the New Web Interface

- [Adding Scheduled Reports on the New Web Interface](#), on page 156
- [Editing Scheduled Reports on the New Web Interface](#), on page 157
- [Discontinuing Scheduled Reports on the New Web Interface](#), on page 157

### Adding Scheduled Reports on the New Web Interface



**Note** You can schedule your favorite reports (My Email Reports) page. For information on how to add schedule reports, see [Scheduling Email Reports on the New Web Interface](#).

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To add a scheduled email report, use the following steps:

#### Procedure

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**Step 1** Log in to the new web interface of the appliance.

**Step 2** Choose **Monitoring > Schedule & Archive**.

**Step 3** In the **Schedule Reports** tab, click the + button.

**Step 4** Choose your report type.

For descriptions of the report types, see [About Scheduled and On-Demand Email Reports](#), on page 147.

**Note** - For information about the settings for a Domain-Based Executive Summary report, see [Domain-Based Executive Summary Report](#), on page 148.

- Available options for scheduled reports differ by report type. Options described in the remainder of this procedure do not necessarily apply to all reports.

**Step 5** In the **Title** field, type the title of your report.

To avoid creating multiple reports with the same name, we recommend using a descriptive title.


**Step 6** Choose the time range for the report from the **Time Range to Include** drop-down menu.

- Step 7** Choose the format for the generated report.  
The default format is PDF.
- Note** You can export My Favorite Reports page or download My Favorite Reports page as a PDF. For more information, see [Exporting Reporting and Tracking Data](#) .
- Step 8** From the **Email Appliance(s)** section, select the Email Security appliance from the drop-down list.
- Step 9** From the Delivery Options section, choose any one of the following:  
By choosing this, the report will be listed on the Archived Reports page.
- Note** Domain-Based Executive Summary reports cannot be archived.
- To archive the report, select **Only Archive**.
  - To archive and email the report, click **Archive and Email to Recipients**.
  - To email the report, click **Only Email to Recipients**.
- In the **Email IDs** field, enter the recipient email addresses.
- Step 10** From the **Scheduling** section, select the radio button next to the day, week, or month for your scheduled report. Additionally, include the time that you want the report scheduled for. Time increments are based on midnight to midnight (00:00 to 23:59).
- Step 11** Choose a language for the report.
- Step 12** Click **Submit**.
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## Editing Scheduled Reports on the New Web Interface

### Procedure

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- Step 1** Log in to the new web interface of the appliance.
- Step 2** Choose **Monitoring > Schedule & Archive**.
- Step 3** In the Schedule Reports tab, select the check box next to the required Report Title column and click the  button.
- Step 4** Modify the report settings.
- Step 5** Submit and commit your changes.
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## Discontinuing Scheduled Reports on the New Web Interface

To prevent future instances of scheduled reports from being generated, perform the following steps:

### Procedure

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- Step 1** Log in to the new web interface of the appliance.
- Step 2** Choose **Monitoring > Schedule & Archive**.

**Step 3** In the Schedule Reports tab, select the check boxes corresponding to the reports that you want to discontinue generating. To remove all scheduled reports, select the **All** check box.

**Step 4** Click **Delete**.

**Note** Any archived versions of deleted reports are *not* automatically deleted. To delete previously-generated reports, see [Accessing Archived Reports on the New Web Interface, on page 158](#).

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## Archived Email Reports Page on the New Web Interface

- [Accessing Archived Reports on the New Web Interface, on page 158](#)
- [Generating Email Reports On Demand, on page 158](#)
- [Deleting Archived Reports on the New Web Interface, on page 160](#)

## Accessing Archived Reports on the New Web Interface

The **View Archived Reports** tab of the **Schedule & Archive** page lists scheduled and on-demand reports that you have chosen to archive which have been generated and not yet purged.



**Note** You can archive your favorite reports (My Email Reports) page. For information on how to add archive reports, see [Archived Email Reports Page on the New Web Interface](#).

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### Procedure

- Step 1** Log in to the new web interface of the appliance.
- Step 2** Choose **Monitoring > Schedule & Archive**.
- Step 3** Click on the **View Archived Reports** tab.
- Step 4** To locate a particular report if the list is long, you can search for the report name and type or click a column heading to sort by that column.

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## Generating Email Reports On Demand

In addition to the reports that you can view (and generate PDFs for) using the interactive report pages described in [Understanding the Email Reporting Pages on the New Web Interface, on page 95](#), you can save PDFs or raw-data CSV files for the reports listed in [About Scheduled and On-Demand Email Reports, on page 147](#) at any time, for the time frame that you specify.

To generate an on-demand report perform the following:

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### Procedure

- Step 1** Log in to the new web interface of the appliance.

- Step 2** Choose **Monitoring > Schedule & Archive**.
- Step 3** In the View Archived Reports tab, click on the + button.
- Step 4** Choose a report type.  
For descriptions of the report types, see [About Scheduled and On-Demand Email Reports](#) , on page 147.
- Step 5** In the **Title** field, enter the name of the title for the report.  
AsyncOS does not verify the uniqueness of report names. To avoid confusion, do not create multiple reports with the same name.
- Note** For information about the settings for a Domain-Based Executive Summary report, see [Domain-Based Executive Summary Report](#), on page 148.  
Available options for scheduled reports differ by report type. Options described in the remainder of this procedure do not necessarily apply to all reports.
- Step 6** From the **Time Range to Include** drop-down list, select a time range for the report data.  
Note the custom time range option.
- Step 7** In the Format section, choose the format of the report.  
Choices include:
- PDF. Create a formatted PDF document for delivery, archival, or both. You can view the report as a PDF file immediately by clicking Preview PDF Report.
  - CSV. Create an ASCII text file that contains raw data as comma-separated values. Each CSV file may contain up to 100 rows. If a report contains more than one type of table, a separate CSV file is created for each table.
- Step 8** Select the appliances or appliance groups for which you want to run the report. If you have not created any appliance groups, this option does not appear.
- Step 9** From the Email Appliance(s) section, select the Email Security appliance from the drop-down list.
- Step 10** From the Delivery Options section, choose any one of the following:  
By choosing this, the report will be listed on the Archived Reports page.
- Note** Domain-Based Executive Summary reports cannot be archived.
- To archive the report, select **Only Archive**.
  - To archive and email the report, click **Archive and Email to Recipients**.
  - To email the report, click **Only Email to Recipients**.
- In the **Email IDs** field, enter the recipient email addresses.
- Step 11** Select a language for this report. For generating PDFs in Asian languages, see important information at [Exporting Reporting and Tracking Data](#) , on page 31.
- Step 12** Click **Submit** to generate the report.
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## Deleting Archived Reports on the New Web Interface

Reports are automatically deleted from the system according to the rules outlined in [Viewing and Managing Archived Email Reports](#) , on page 155. However, you can manually delete unneeded reports.

To manually delete Archived reports, perform the following:

### Procedure

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- Step 1** Log in to the new web interface of the appliance.
  - Step 2** Choose **Monitoring > Schedule & Archive**.
  - Step 3** In the View Archived Reports tab, select the checkbox for one or more reports to delete.
  - Step 4** Click on the trash can button.
  - Step 5** To prevent future instances of scheduled reports from being generated, see [Discontinuing Scheduled Reports on the New Web Interface](#) , on page 157.
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## Troubleshooting Email Reports

- [Outbreak Filters Reports Do Not Show Information Correctly](#) , on page 160
- [Message Tracking Results Do Not Match Report Results After Clicking a Link in a Report](#) , on page 160
- [Advanced Malware Protection Verdict Updates Report Results Differ](#) , on page 161
- [Issues Viewing File Analysis Report Details](#) , on page 161

See also [Troubleshooting All Reports](#) , on page 33.

## Outbreak Filters Reports Do Not Show Information Correctly

### Problem

Outbreak Filters reports do not show threat information correctly.

### Solution

Verify that the appliance can communicate with the Cisco update servers specified in Management Appliance > System Administration > Update Settings.

## Message Tracking Results Do Not Match Report Results After Clicking a Link in a Report

### Problem

Message tracking results when drilling down from reports do not match expected results.

### Solution

This can occur if reporting and tracking are not consistently and simultaneously enabled and functioning properly, or are not consistently and simultaneously either centralized or stored locally on each Email Security appliance. Data for each feature (reporting, tracking) is captured only while that feature is enabled.



**Related Topics**

- [Checking Message Tracking Data Availability](#) , on page 251

## Advanced Malware Protection Verdict Updates Report Results Differ

**Problem**

A Web Security appliance and an Email Security appliance sent the same file for analysis, and the AMP Verdict Updates reports for Web and Email show different verdicts for that file.

**Solution**

This situation is temporary. Results will match once all verdict updates have been downloaded. Allow up to 30 minutes for this to occur.

## Issues Viewing File Analysis Report Details

- [File Analysis Report Details Are Not Available](#) , on page 161
- [Error When Viewing File Analysis Report Details](#), on page 161
- [Error When Viewing File Analysis Report Details with Private Cloud Cisco AMP Threat Grid Appliance](#) , on page 161
- [Logging of File Analysis-Related Errors](#) , on page 162

### File Analysis Report Details Are Not Available

**Problem**

File Analysis report details are not available.

**Solution**

See [Requirements for File Analysis Report Details](#) , on page 82.

### Error When Viewing File Analysis Report Details

**Problem**

No cloud server configuration is available error appears when you attempt to view File Analysis report details.

**Solution**

Go to **Management Appliance > Centralized Services > Security Appliances** and add at least one Email Security appliance that has the File Analysis feature enabled.

### Error When Viewing File Analysis Report Details with Private Cloud Cisco AMP Threat Grid Appliance

**Problem**

You see an API key, registration, or activation error when attempting to view File Analysis report details.

**Solution**

If you are using a private cloud (on-premises) Cisco AMP Threat Grid appliance for file analysis, see [\(On-Premises File Analysis\) Activate the File Analysis Account](#) , on page 83.

If your Threat Grid appliance hostname changes, you must repeat the process in the referenced procedure.

## Logging of File Analysis-Related Errors

Registration and other File Analysis-related errors are logged in the GUI logs.

## Total Graymail or Marketing Messages Appears To Be Incorrect

### Problem

The count of Marketing, Social and Bulk mail exceeds the total number of graymail messages.

### Solution

The total number of Marketing Messages includes marketing messages received both before and after upgrade to AsyncOS 9.5, but the total number of graymail messages includes only messages received after upgrade. See [Reporting of Marketing Messages after Upgrade to AsyncOS 9.5](#) , on page 91.



## CHAPTER 6

# Using Centralized Web Reporting and Tracking

This chapter contains the following sections:

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- [Setting Up Centralized Web Reporting and Tracking](#), on page 165
- [Working with Web Security Reports](#), on page 167
- [Working with Web Security Reports on the New Web Interface](#), on page 168
- [Web Reporting Page Descriptions](#), on page 168
- [Understanding the Web Reporting Pages on the New Web Interface](#), on page 196
- [About Scheduled and On-Demand Web Reports](#), on page 222
- [Scheduling Web Reports](#), on page 223
- [Generating Web Reports on Demand](#), on page 226
- [Archived Web Reports Page](#), on page 227
- [Viewing and Managing Archived Web Reports](#), on page 227
- [Schedule and Archive Web Reports on the New Web Interface](#), on page 228
- [Web Tracking](#), on page 231
- [Web Tracking on the New Web Interface](#), on page 236
- [Working with Web Tracking Search Results](#), on page 241
- [Troubleshooting Web Reporting and Tracking](#), on page 243

## Centralized Web Reporting and Tracking Overview

The Cisco Content Security Management appliance aggregates information from security features on multiple Web Security appliances and records data that can be used to monitor your web traffic patterns and security risks. You can run reports in real-time to view an interactive display of system activity over a specific period of time, or you can schedule reports and run them at regular intervals. Reporting functionality also allows you to export raw data to a file.

The Centralized Web Reporting feature not only generates high-level reports, allowing administrators to understand what is happening on their network, but it also allows an administrator to drill down and see traffic details for a particular domain, user, or URL category.

### Domain

For a domain, the web reporting feature can generate the following data elements to be on a domain report. For example, if you are generating a report on the Facebook.com domain, the report may contain:

- A list of the top users who accessed Facebook.com
- A list of the top URLs that were accessed within Facebook.com

### User

For a user, the web reporting feature can generate data elements to be on a user report. For example, for the user report titled 'Jamie', the report may contain:

- A list of the top domains that the user 'Jamie' accessed
- A list of the top URLs that were malware or virus positive
- A list of the top categories that the user 'Jamie' accessed

### URL Category

For a URL category, the web reporting feature can generate data to be included in a category report. For example, for the category 'Sports', the report may contain:

- A list of the top domains that were in the 'Sports' category
- A list of the top users who accessed the 'Sports' category

In all of these examples, these reports are intended to give a comprehensive view about a particular item on the network so that the administrator can take action.

### General

For a detailed description on logging pages versus reporting pages, see the [Logging Versus Reporting, on page 517](#).




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**Note** You can retrieve all the domain information that a user goes to, not necessarily the specific URL that is accessed. For information on a specific URL that the user is accessing, what time they went to that URL, whether that URL is allowed, etc., use the [Searching for Transactions Processed by Web Proxy Services, on page 231](#) on the Web Tracking page.

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**Note** The Web Security appliance only stores data if local reporting is used. If centralized reporting is enabled for the Web Security appliance then the Web Security appliance retains ONLY System Capacity and System Status data. If Centralized Web Reporting is not enabled, the only reports that are generated are System Status and System Capacity.

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There are multiple ways to view web reporting data on the Security Management appliance.

- To view interactive report pages, see [Web Reporting Page Descriptions, on page 168](#).
- To generate a report on demand, see [Generating Web Reports on Demand, on page 226](#).
- To schedule generation of reports on a regular, recurring basis, see [About Scheduled and On-Demand Web Reports, on page 222](#).
- To view archived versions of previously run reports (both scheduled and generated on demand), see [Viewing and Managing Archived Web Reports, on page 227](#).
- To view information about individual transactions, see [Web Tracking, on page 231](#).

# Setting Up Centralized Web Reporting and Tracking

To set up centralized web reporting and tracking, complete the following steps in order:

- [Enabling Centralized Web Reporting on the Security Management Appliance](#) , on page 165
  - [Anonymizing User Names in Web Reports](#) , on page 166
- [Enabling Centralized Web Reporting on Web Security Appliances](#) , on page 165
- [Adding the Centralized Web Reporting Service to Each Managed Web Security Appliance](#) , on page 166
- [Anonymizing User Names in Web Reports](#) , on page 166

## Enabling Centralized Web Reporting on the Security Management Appliance

### Procedure

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- Step 1** Before enabling centralized web reporting, ensure that sufficient disk space is allocated to that service. See [Managing Disk Space](#) , on page 494.
- Step 2** [New Web Interface Only] On the Security Management appliance, click  to load the legacy web interface.
- Step 3** Choose **Management Appliance > Centralized Services > Web > Centralized Reporting**.
- Step 4** If you are enabling centralized reporting for the first time after running the System Setup Wizard:
- a) Click **Enable**.
  - b) Review the end user license agreement, then click **Accept**.
- Step 5** If you are enabling centralized reporting after it has previously been disabled:
- a) Click **Edit Settings**.
  - b) Select the **Enable Centralized Web Report Services** checkbox.
  - c) You can address [Anonymizing User Names in Web Reports](#) , on page 166 now or later.
- Step 6** Submit and commit your changes.
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## Enabling Centralized Web Reporting on Web Security Appliances

All Web Security appliances should be configured and working as expected before you enable centralized reporting.

You must enable centralized reporting on each Web Security appliance that will use centralized reporting.


See the “Enabling Centralized Reporting” section in AsyncOS for Cisco Web Security Appliances User Guide.

## Adding the Centralized Web Reporting Service to Each Managed Web Security Appliance

The steps you follow depend on whether or not you have already added the appliance while configuring another centralized management feature.

### Procedure

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- Step 1** [New Web Interface Only] On the Security Management appliance, click  to load the legacy web interface.
- Step 2** Choose **Management Appliance > Centralized Services > Security Appliances**.
- Step 3** If you have already added the Web Security appliance to the list:
- Click the name of a Web Security Appliance.
  - Select the **Centralized Reporting** service.
- Step 4** If you have not yet added Web Security appliances:
- Click Add Web Appliance.
  - In the Appliance Name and IP Address text fields, type the appliance name and the IP address for the Management interface of the Web Security appliance.
 

**Note** A DNS name may be entered in the IP Address text field, however, it will be immediately resolved to an IP address when you click **Submit**.
  - The Centralized Reporting service is pre-selected.
  - Click **Establish Connection**.
  - Enter the user name and passphrase for an administrator account on the appliance to be managed, then click **Establish Connection**.
 

**Note** You enter the login credentials to pass a public SSH key for file transfers from the Security Management appliance to the remote appliance. The login credentials are not stored on the Security Management appliance.
  - Wait for the Success message to appear above the table on the page.
  - Click **Test Connection**.
  - Read test results above the table.
- Step 5** Click **Submit**.
- Step 6** Repeat this procedure for each Web Security Appliance for which you want to enable Centralized Reporting.
- Step 7** Commit your changes.
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## Anonymizing User Names in Web Reports

By default, user names appear on reporting pages and PDFs. However, to protect user privacy, you may want to make user names unrecognizable in web reports.



**Note** Users with Administrator privileges on this appliance can always see user names when viewing interactive reports.

### Procedure

- Step 1** [New Web Interface Only] On the Security Management appliance, click  to load the legacy web interface.
- Step 2** Choose **Management Appliance > Centralized Services > Web > Centralized Reporting**.
- Step 3** Click **Edit Settings**.
- Step 4** Select the **Anonymize usernames in reports** checkbox.
- Step 5** Submit and commit your change.

## Working with Web Security Reports

Web reporting pages allow you to monitor information on one or all of the managed Web Security appliances in your system.

| To  | See  |
|---|--|
| View options for accessing and viewing report data                            | <a href="#">Ways to View Reporting Data</a> , on page 23                                     |
| Customize your view of the interactive report pages                           | <a href="#">Customizing Your View of Report Data</a> , on page 25                            |
| Find information about specific transactions within your data                 | <a href="#">Web Tracking</a> , on page 231   |
| Print or export report information  | <a href="#">Exporting Reporting and Tracking Data</a> , on page 31                           |
| Understand the various interactive report pages                               | <a href="#">Web Reporting Page Descriptions</a> , on page 168                                |
| Generate a report on demand   | <a href="#">Understanding the Web Reporting Pages on the New Web Interface</a> , on page 196 |
| Schedule reports to run automatically at intervals and times that you specify | <a href="#">About Scheduled and On-Demand Web Reports</a> , on page 222                      |
| View archived on-demand and scheduled reports                                 | <a href="#">Viewing and Managing Archived Web Reports</a> , on page 227                      |
| Understand how data is gathered   | <a href="#">How the Security Management Appliance Gathers Data for Reports</a> , on page 24  |

# Working with Web Security Reports on the New Web Interface

Web reporting pages allow you to monitor information on one or all of the managed Web Security appliances in your system.

| To  | See  |
|---|--|
| View options for accessing and viewing report data            | <a href="#">Ways to View Reporting Data</a> , on page 35                                     |
| Customize your view of the interactive report pages           | <a href="#">Customizing Your View of Report Data</a> , on page 38                            |
| Find information about specific transactions within your data | <a href="#">Web Tracking on the New Web Interface</a> , on page 236                          |
| Print or export report information                            | <a href="#">Exporting Reporting and Tracking Data</a> , on page 31                           |
| Understand the various interactive report pages               | <a href="#">Understanding the Web Reporting Pages on the New Web Interface</a> , on page 196 |

## Web Reporting Page Descriptions



**Note** For information on which of the options on the Web Reporting tab are available as on-demand or scheduled reports, see the [About Scheduled and On-Demand Web Reports](#), on page 222.

**Table 43: Web Reporting Tab Details**

| Web Reporting Menu                                   | Action   |
|--|--|
| <a href="#">Web Reporting Overview</a> , on page 172 | The Overview page provides a synopsis of the activity on your Web Security appliances. It includes graphs and summary tables for the incoming and outgoing transactions. For more information, see the <a href="#">Web Reporting Overview</a> , on page 172. |



| Web Reporting Menu  | Action  |
|---|---|
| <a href="#">Users Report (Web) , on page 173</a>            | <p>The Users page provides several web tracking links that allow you to view web tracking information for individual users.</p> <p>From the <b>Users</b> page you can view how long a user, or users, on your system have spent on the internet, on a particular site or URL, and how much bandwidth that user is using.</p> <p>From the <b>Users</b> page you can click on an individual user in the interactive Users table to view more details for that specific user on the User Details page.</p> <p>The <b>User Details</b> page allows you to see specific information about a user that you have identified in the Users table on the <b>Web &gt; Reporting &gt; Users</b> page. From this page you can investigate individual user's activity on your system. This page is particularly useful if you are running user-level investigations and need to find out, for example, what sites your users are visiting, what Malware threats they are encountering, what URL categories they are accessing, and how much time a specific user is spending at these sites.</p> <p>For more information, see the <a href="#">Users Report (Web) , on page 173</a>. For information on a specific user in your system, see the <a href="#">User Details (Web Reporting) , on page 174</a></p> |
| <a href="#">User Count Report (Web)</a>                     | <p>The User Count page provides the aggregated information about the total number of authenticated and unauthenticated users of the Web Security appliances with Centralized Reporting enabled. The page lists the unique user count for the last 30 days, 90 days, and 180 days.</p> <p><b>Note</b> System hourly computes the total user count of authenticated and unauthenticated users.</p>  |
| <a href="#">Web Sites Report , on page 176</a>              | <p>The Web Sites page allows you to view an overall aggregation of the activity that is happening on your managed appliances. From this page you can monitor high-risk web sites accessed during a specific time range. For more information, see the <a href="#">Web Sites Report , on page 176</a>.</p>   |
| <a href="#">URL Categories Report , on page 177</a>         | <p>The URL Categories page allows you to view the top URL Categories that are being visited, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the top URLs that have triggered a block or warning action to occur per transaction.</li> <li>• all the URL categories during a specified time range for both completed, warned and blocked transactions. This is an interactive table with interactive column headings that you can use to sort data as you need.</li> </ul> <p>For more information, see the <a href="#">URL Categories Report , on page 177</a>.</p>  |
| <a href="#">Application Visibility Report , on page 179</a> | <p>The Application Visibility page allows you to apply and view the controls that have been applied to a particular application types within the Security Management appliance and Web Security appliance. For more information, see the <a href="#">Application Visibility Report , on page 179</a>.</p>   |

| Web Reporting Menu  | Action  |
|---|---|
| <a href="#">Anti-Malware Report</a> , on page 181   | The Anti-Malware page allows you to view information about malware ports and malware sites that the anti-malware scanning engine(s) detected during the specified time range. The upper part of the report displays the number of connections for each of the top malware ports and web sites. The lower part of the report displays malware ports and sites detected. For more information, see the <a href="#">Anti-Malware Report</a> , on page 181. |
| <a href="#">Advanced Malware Protection (File Reputation and File Analysis) Reports</a> , on page 184 | There are three reporting pages showing file reputation and analysis data. For more information, see the <a href="#">Advanced Malware Protection (File Reputation and File Analysis) Reports</a> , on page 184.   |
| <a href="#">Client Malware Risk Report</a> , on page 188  | The Client Malware Risk page is a security-related reporting page that can be used to identify individual client computers that may be connecting unusually frequently to malware sites.<br><br>For more information, see the <a href="#">Client Malware Risk Report</a> , on page 188.   |
| <a href="#">Web Reputation Filters Report</a> , on page 189   | Allows you to view reporting on Web Reputation filtering for transactions during a specified time range. For more information, see the <a href="#">Web Reputation Filters Report</a> , on page 189.   |
| <a href="#">L4 Traffic Monitor Report</a> , on page 191   | Allows you to view information about malware ports and malware sites that the L4 Traffic Monitor detected during the specified time range. For more information, see the <a href="#">L4 Traffic Monitor Report</a> , on page 191.   |
| <a href="#">SOCKS Proxy Report</a> , on page 192  | Allows you to view data for SOCKS proxy transactions, including destinations and users.<br><br>For more information, see the <a href="#">SOCKS Proxy Report</a> , on page 192.  |
| <a href="#">Reports by User Location</a> , on page 193  | The Reports by User Location page allows you to find out what activities that your mobile users are conducting from their local or remote systems.<br><br>For more information, see the <a href="#">Reports by User Location</a> , on page 193.   |

| Web Reporting Menu                                   | Action   |
|--|--|
| <a href="#">Web Tracking</a> , on page 231           | <p>The Web Tracking page allows you to search for the following types of information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Searching for Transactions Processed by Web Proxy Services</a> , on page 231 allows you to track and see basic web-related information such as the type of web traffic that is being handled by the appliances.</li> </ul> <p>This includes information such as time ranges, and UserID and Client IP addresses, but also includes information like certain types of URLs, how much bandwidth that each connection is taking up, or tracking a specific user’s web usage.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Searching for Transactions Processed by the L4 Traffic Monitor</a> , on page 235 allows you to search your L4TM data for sites, ports, and client IP addresses involved in malware transfer activity.</li> <li>• <a href="#">Searching for Transactions Processed by the SOCKS Proxy</a> , on page 236 allows you to search for transactions processed by the SOCKS proxy.</li> </ul> <p>For more information, see the <a href="#">Web Tracking</a> , on page 231.</p> |
| <a href="#">System Capacity Page</a> , on page 194   | <p>Allows you to view the overall workload that is sending reporting data to the Security Management appliance.</p> <p>For more information, see the <a href="#">System Capacity Page</a>, on page 194.</p>  |
| <a href="#">Data Availability Page</a> , on page 196 | <p>Allows you to get a glimpse of the impact of the reporting data on the Security Management appliance for each appliance. For more information, see the <a href="#">Data Availability Page</a>, on page 196.</p>   |
| Scheduled Reports                                    | <p>Allows you to schedule reports for a specified time range. For more information, see the <a href="#">About Scheduled and On-Demand Web Reports</a>, on page 222.</p>  |
| Archived Reports                                     | <p>Allows you to archive reports for a specified time range. For more information, see the <a href="#">Viewing and Managing Archived Web Reports</a>, on page 227.</p>   |



**Note** You can schedule reports for most of the web reporting categories, including additional reports for Extended Top URL Categories and Top Application Types. For more information on scheduling reports, see the [About Scheduled and On-Demand Web Reports](#), on page 222.

## About Time Spent

The Time Spent column in various tables represents the amount of time a user spent on a web page. For purposes of investigating a user, the time spent by the user on each URL category. When tracking a URL, the time spent by each user on that specific URL.

Once a transaction event is tagged as ‘viewed’, that is, a user goes to a particular URL, a ‘Time Spent’ value will start to be calculated and added as a field in the web reporting table.

To calculate the time spent, AsyncOS assigns each active user with 60 seconds of time for activity during a minute. At the end of the minute, the time spent by each user is evenly distributed among the different domains

the user visited. For example, if a user goes to four different domains in an active minute, the user is considered to have spent 15 seconds at each domain.

For the purposes of the time spent value, considering the following notes:

- An active user is defined as a user name or IP address that sends HTTP traffic through the appliance and has gone to a website that AsyncOS considers to be a “page view.”
- AsyncOS defines a page view as an HTTP request initiated by the user, as opposed to a request initiated by the client application. AsyncOS uses a heuristic algorithm to make a best effort guess to identify user page views.

Units are displayed in Hours:Minutes format.

## Web Reporting Overview

The **Web > Reporting > Overview** page provides a synopsis of the activity on your Web Security appliances. It includes graphs and summary tables for the incoming and outgoing transactions.

At a high level the **Overview** page shows you statistics about the URL and User usage, Web Proxy activity, and various transaction summaries. The transaction summaries gives you further trending details on, for example suspect transactions, and right across from this graph, how many of those suspect transactions are blocked and in what manner they are being blocked.

The lower half of the **Overview** page is about usage. That is, the top URL categories being viewed, the top application types and categories that are being blocked, and the top users that are generating these blocks or warnings.

**Table 44: Details on the Web Reporting Overview Page**

| Section                     | Description   |
|-----------------------------|---|
| Time Range (drop-down list) | A drop-down list that can range from a day to 90 days or a custom range. For more information on time ranges and customizing this for your needs, see the <a href="#">Choosing a Time Range for Reports</a> , on page 26.   |
| View Data for               | Choose a Web Security appliance for which you want to view Overview data, or choose All Web Appliances.<br>See also <a href="#">Viewing Reporting Data for an Appliance or Reporting Group</a> , on page 25.  |
| Total Web Proxy Activity    | This section allows you to view the web proxy activity that is being reported by the Web Security appliances that are currently managed by the Security Management appliance.<br>This section displays the actual number of transactions (vertical scale) as well as the approximate date that the activity occurred (horizontal timeline). |
| Web Proxy Summary           | This section allows you to view the percentage of web proxy activity that are suspect, or clean proxy activity, including the total number of transactions.   |
| L4 Traffic Monitor Summary  | This section reports any L4 traffic that is being reported by the Web Security appliances that are currently managed by the Security Management appliance.  |

| Section                                     | Description  |
|---|--|
| Suspect Transactions                        | This section allows you to view the web transactions that have been labeled as suspect by the administrator.<br><br>This section displays the actual number of transactions (vertical scale) as well as the approximate date that the activity occurred (horizontal timeline).   |
| Suspect Transactions Summary                | This section allows you to view the percentage of blocked or warned transactions that are suspect. Additionally you can see the type of transactions that have been detected and blocked, and the actual number of times that this transaction was blocked.  |
| Top URL Categories by Total Transactions    | This section displays the top 10 URL categories that are being blocked, including the type of URL category (vertical scale) and the actual number of times the specific type of category has been blocked (horizontal scale).<br><br>The set of predefined URL categories is occasionally updated. For more information about the impact of these updates on report results, see <a href="#">URL Category Set Updates and Reports</a> , on page 178. |
| Top Application Types by Total Transactions | This section displays the top application types that are being blocked, including the name of the actual application type (vertical scale) and the number of times the specific application has been blocked (horizontal scale).   |
| Top Malware Categories Detected             | This section displays all Malware categories that have been detected.  |
| Top Users Blocked or Warned Transactions    | This section displays the actual users that are generating the blocked or warned transactions. Users can be displayed by IP address or by user name. To make user names unrecognizable, see <a href="#">Anonymizing User Names in Web Reports</a> , on page 166.   |
| Web Traffic Tap Status                      | Displays the untapped and tapped traffic transactions in a graph format.   |
| Web Traffic Tap Summary                     | Displays the summary of the tapped and untapped traffic transactions along with the total traffic transactions.  |
| Tapped HTTP/HTTPS Traffic                   | Displays the tapped HTTP and HTTPS traffic transactions in a graph format.   |
| Tapped Traffic Summary                      | Displays the summary of HTTP and HTTPS traffic transactions along with the total HTTP/HTTPS traffic transactions.  |

## Users Report (Web)

The **Web > Reporting > Users** page provides several links that allow you to view web reporting information for individual users.

From the **Users** page you can view how long a user, or users, on your system have spent on the internet, on a particular site or URL, and how much bandwidth that user is using.

From the **Users** page, you can view the following information pertaining to the users on your system:

Table 45: Details on the Web Reporting Users Page

| Section                           | Description   |
|-----------------------------------|---|
| Time Range (drop-down list)       | A drop-down list that can range from a day to 90 days or a custom range. For more information on time ranges and customizing this for your needs, see the <a href="#">Choosing a Time Range for Reports</a> , on page 26.   |
| Top Users by Transactions Blocked | This section lists the top users, by either IP address or user name (vertical scale), and the number of transactions that have been blocked specific to that user (horizontal scale). The user name or IP address can be made unrecognizable for reporting purposes. For more information on how to make user names unrecognizable in for this page or in scheduled reports, see the section <a href="#">Enabling Centralized Web Reporting on the Security Management Appliance</a> , on page 165. The default setting is that all user names appear. To hide user names, see <a href="#">Anonymizing User Names in Web Reports</a> , on page 166. |
| Top Users by Bandwidth Used       | This sections displays the top users, by either IP address or user name (vertical scale), that are using the most bandwidth on the system (horizontal scale represented in gigabyte usage).   |
| Users Table                       | <p>You can find a specific User ID or Client IP address. In the text field at the bottom of the User section, enter the specific User ID or Client IP address and click on <b>Find User ID or Client IP Address</b>. The IP address does not need to be an exact match to return results.</p> <p>From the Users table you can click on a specific user to find more specific information. This information appears on the User Details page. For more information on the User Details page, see the <a href="#">User Details (Web Reporting)</a> , on page 174</p>  |




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**Note** To view user IDs instead of client IP addresses, you must set up your Security Management appliance to obtain user information from an LDAP server. For information, see [Creating the LDAP Server Profile](#), on page 368 in chapter [Integrating With LDAP](#), on page 367.

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**Tip** To customize your view of this report, see [Working with Web Security Reports](#), on page 167.

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To view an example of how the **Users** page may be used, see [Example 1: Investigating a User](#) , on page 573.

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**Note** You can generate or schedule a report for the Users page. For information, see the [About Scheduled and On-Demand Web Reports](#), on page 222.

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## User Details (Web Reporting)

The **User Details** page allows you to see specific information about a user that you have identified in the interactive Users table on the **Web > Reporting > Users** page.

The **User Details** page allows you to investigate individual user's activity on your system. This page is particularly useful if you are running user-level investigations and need to find out, for example, what sites your users are visiting, what Malware threats they are encountering, what URL categories they are accessing, and how much time a specific user is spending at these sites.

To display the **User Details** page for a specific user, click on a specific user from the User table on the **Web > Users** page.

From the **User Details** page, you can view the following information pertaining to an individual user on your system:

**Table 46: Details on the Web Reporting User Details Page**

| Section                              | Description   |
|--------------------------------------|---|
| Time Range (drop-down list)          | A menu that allows you to choose the time range of the data contained in the report. For more information on time ranges and customizing this for your needs, see the <a href="#">Choosing a Time Range for Reports</a> , on page 26.   |
| URL Categories by Total Transactions | This section lists the specific URL Categories that a specific user is using.<br>The set of predefined URL categories is occasionally updated. For more information about the impact of these updates on report results, see <a href="#">URL Category Set Updates and Reports</a> , on page 178.  |
| Trend by Total Transactions          | This graph displays at what times the user accessed the web.<br>For example, this graph will indicate if there is a large spike in web traffic during certain hours of the day, and when those spikes occur. Using the Time Range drop-down list, you can expand this graph to see a more or less granular span of time that this user was on the web.  |
| URL Categories Matched               | The URL Categories Matched section shows matched categories for both completed and blocked transactions.<br>From this section you can also find a specific URL Category. In the text field at the bottom of the section enter the URL Category and click <b>Find URL Category</b> . The category does not need to be an exact match.<br>The set of predefined URL categories is occasionally updated. For more information about the impact of these updates on report results, see <a href="#">URL Category Set Updates and Reports</a> , on page 178. |
| Domains Matched                      | From this section you can find out about a specific Domain or IP address that this user has accessed. You can also see the time spent on those categories, and various other information that you have set from the column view. In the text field at the bottom of the section enter the Domain or IP address and click <b>Find Domain or IP</b> . The domain or IP address does not need to be an exact match.  |
| Applications Matched                 | From this section you can find a specific application that a specific user is using. For example, if a user is accessing a site that requires use of a lot of Flash video, you will see the application type in the Application column.<br>In the text field at the bottom of the section enter the application name and click <b>Find Application</b> . The name of the application does not need to be an exact match.  |
| Malware Threats Detected             | From this table you can see the top Malware threats that a specific user is triggering.<br>You can search for data on a specific malware threat name in the Find Malware Threat field. Enter the Malware Threat name and click Find Malware Threat. The name of the Malware Threat does not need to be an exact match.  |
| Policies Matched                     | From this section you can find the policy groups that applied to this user when accessing the web.<br>In the text field at the bottom of the section enter the policy name and click <b>Find Policy</b> . The name of the policy does not need to be an exact match.  |



**Note** From Client Malware Risk Details table: The client reports sometimes show a user with an asterisk (\*) at the end of the user name. For example, the Client report might show an entry for both “jsmith” and “jsmith\*”. User names listed with an asterisk (\*) indicate the user name provided by the user, but not confirmed by the authentication server. This happens when the authentication server was not available at the time and the appliance is configured to permit traffic when authentication service is unavailable.

To view an example of how the User Details page may be used, see [Example 1: Investigating a User](#), on page 573.

## User Count Report (Web)

The **Web > Reporting > User Count** page displays the aggregated information about the total number of authenticated and unauthenticated users of the Web Security appliances with Centralized Reporting enabled. The page lists the unique user count for the last 30 days, 90 days, and 180 days.



**Note** System hourly computes the total user count of authenticated and unauthenticated users.

## Web Sites Report

The **Web > Reporting > Web Sites** page is an overall aggregation of the activity that is happening on the managed appliances. From this page you can monitor high-risk web sites accessed during a specific time range.

From the **Web Sites** page, you can view the following information:

**Table 47: Details on the Web Reporting Web Sites Page**

| Section                             | Description  |
|-------------------------------------|--|
| Time Range (drop-down list)         | A drop-down list that can range from a day to 90 days or a custom range. For more information on time ranges and customizing this for your needs, see the <a href="#">Choosing a Time Range for Reports</a> , on page 26.  |
| Top Domains by Total Transactions   | This section lists the top domains that are being visited on the site in a graph format.   |
| Top Domains by Transactions Blocked | This section lists the top domains that triggered a block action to occur per transaction in a graph format. For example, a user went to a certain domain and because of a specific policy that I have in place, this triggered a block action. This domain is listed in this graph as a transaction blocked, and the domain site that triggered the block action is listed. |



| Section         | Description   |
|-----------------|---|
| Domains Matched | <p>This section lists the domains that are that are being visited on the site in an interactive table. From this table you can access more granular information about a specific domain by clicking on the specific domain. The Proxy Services tab on the Web Tracking page appears and you can see tracking information and why certain domains were blocked.</p> <p>When you click on a specific domain you can see the top users of that domain, the top transactions on that domain, the URL Categories matched and the Malware threats that have been detected.</p> <p>To view an example of how Web Tracking may be used, see <a href="#">Example 2: Tracking a URL, on page 575</a>.</p> <p><b>Note</b> If you export this data to a .csv file, only the first 300,000 entries are exported.</p> |



**Tip** To customize your view of this report, see [Working with Web Security Reports, on page 167](#).



**Note** You can generate or schedule a report for information on the Web Sites page. For information, see the [About Scheduled and On-Demand Web Reports, on page 222](#).

## URL Categories Report

The **Web > Reporting > URL Categories** page can be used to view the URL categories of sites that users on your system are visiting.

From the **URL Categories** page, you can view the following information:

**Table 48: Details on the Web Reporting URL Categories Page**

| Section   | Description   |
|---|---|
| Time Range (drop-down list)                           | Choose the time range for your report. For more information, see the <a href="#">Choosing a Time Range for Reports , on page 26</a> .   |
| Top URL Categories by Total Transactions              | This section lists the top URL Categories that are being visited on the site in a graph format.   |
| Top URL Categories by Blocked and Warned Transactions | This section lists the top URL that triggered a block or warning action to occur per transaction in a graph format. For example, a user went to a certain URL and because of a specific policy that is in place, this triggered a block action or a warning. This URL then gets listed in this graph as a transaction blocked or warning. |
| URL Categories Matched                                | <p>The URL Categories Matched section shows the disposition of transactions by URL category during the specified time range, plus bandwidth used and time spent in each category.</p> <p>If there are a large number of unclassified URLs, see <a href="#">Reducing Uncategorized URLs , on page 178</a>.</p>                             |

| Section                | Description  |
|------------------------|--|
| URL Filtering Bypassed | Represents policy, port, and admin user agent blocking that occurs before URL filtering. |

**Tip**

To customize your view of this report, see [Working with Web Security Reports, on page 167](#).

**Note**

To generate a more detailed report than this page can provide, see [Top URL Categories—Extended, on page 225](#).

- If Data Availability is used within a scheduled report for URL Categories, and there are gaps in data for any of the appliances, the following message is displayed at the bottom of the page: “Some data in this time range was unavailable.” If there are no gaps present, nothing appears.

## Reducing Uncategorized URLs

If the percentage of uncategorized URLs is higher than 15-20%, consider the following options:

- For specific localized URLs, you can create custom URL categories and apply them to specific users or group policies. These transactions will then be included in “URL Filtering Bypassed” statistics instead. To do this, see information about custom URL categories AsyncOS for Cisco Web Security Appliances User Guide.
- For sites that you feel should be included in existing or other categories, see [Reporting Misclassified and Uncategorized URLs , on page 179](#).

## URL Category Set Updates and Reports

The set of predefined URL categories may periodically be updated on your Security Management appliance, as described in [Preparing For and Managing URL Category Set Updates , on page 354](#).

When these updates occur, data for old categories will continue to appear in reports and web tracking results until the data is too old to be included. Report data generated after a category set update will use the new categories, so you may see both old and new categories in the same report.

If there is overlap between the contents of old and new categories, you may need to examine report results more carefully to obtain valid statistics. For example, if the “Instant Messaging” and “Web-based Chat” categories have been merged into a single “Chat and Instant Messaging” category during the time frame that you are looking at, visits before the merge to sites covered by the “Instant Messaging” and “Web-based Chat” categories are not counted in the total for “Chat and Instant Messaging”. Likewise, visits to instant messaging or Web-based chat sites after the merge would not be included in the totals for the “Instant Messaging” or “Web-based Chat” categories.

## Using The URL Categories Page in Conjunction with Other Reporting Pages

The URL Categories page can be used in conjunction with the [Application Visibility Page, on page 200](#) and the [Users Page, on page 208](#) to investigate a particular user and the types of applications or websites that a particular user is trying to access.

For example, from the [URL Categories Page, on page 205](#) you can generate a high level report for Human Resources which details all the URL categories that are visited by the site. From the same page, you can gather further details in the URL Categories interactive table about the URL category ‘Streaming Media’. By clicking on the Streaming Media category link, you can view the specific URL Categories report page. This page not only displays the top users that are visiting streaming media sites (in the Top Users by Category for Total Transactions section), but also displays the domains that are visited (in the Domains Matched interactive table) such as YouTube.com or QuickPlay.com.

At this point, you are getting more and more granular information for a particular user. Now, let’s say this particular user stands out because of their usage, and you want to find out exactly what they are accessing. From here you can click on the user in the Users interactive table. This action takes you to the [Users Page, on page 208](#), where you can view the user trends for that user, and find out exactly what they have been doing on the web.

If you wanted to go further, you can now get down to web tracking details by clicking on Transactions Completed link in the interactive table. This displays the [Searching for Transactions Processed by Web Proxy Services, on page 231](#) on the Web Tracking page where you can see the actual details about what dates the user accessed the sites, the full URL, the time spent on that URL, etc.

To view another example of how the URL Categories page may be used, see [Example 3: Investigating Top URL Categories Visited, on page 575](#).

## Reporting Misclassified and Uncategorized URLs

You can report misclassified and uncategorized URLs at the following URL:

[https://securityhub.cisco.com/web/submit\\_urls](https://securityhub.cisco.com/web/submit_urls)

Submissions are evaluated for inclusion in subsequent rule updates.

To check the status of submitted URLs, click the **Status on Submitted URLs** tab on this page.

## Application Visibility Report



**Note** For detailed information on Application Visibility, see the ‘Understanding Application Visibility and Control’ chapter in AsyncOS for Cisco Web Security Appliances User Guide.

The **Web > Reporting > Application Visibility** page allows you to apply controls to particular application types within the Security Management appliance and Web Security appliance.

Not only does application control gives you more granular control over web traffic than just URL filtering, for example, it gives you more control over the following types of applications, and application types:

- Evasive applications, such as anonymizers and encrypted tunnels.
- Collaboration applications, such as Cisco WebEx, Facebook, and instant messaging.
- Resource intensive applications, such as streaming media.

## Understanding the Difference between Application versus Application Types

It is crucial to understand the difference between an application and an application types so that you can control the applications involved for your reports.

- **Application Types.** A category that contains one or more applications. For example, **search engines** is an application type that may contain search engines such as Google Search and Craigslist. Instant messaging is another application type category which may contain Yahoo Instant Messenger, or Cisco WebEx. Facebook is also an application type.
- **Applications.** Particular applications that belong in an application type. For example, YouTube is an application in the Media application type.
- **Application behaviors.** Particular actions or behaviors that users can accomplish within an application. For example, users can transfer files while using an application, such as Yahoo Messenger. Not all applications include application behaviors you can configure.



**Note** For detailed information on understanding how you can use Application Visibility and Control (AVC) engine to control Facebook activity, see the ‘Understanding Application Visibility and Control’ chapter in AsyncOS for Cisco Web Security Appliances User Guide.

From the **Application Visibility** page, you can view the following information:

**Table 49: Details on the Web Reporting Application Visibility Page**

| Section                                     | Description  |
|---|--|
| Time Range (drop-down list)                 | A drop-down list that can range from a day to 90 days or a custom range. For more information on time ranges and customizing this for your needs, see the <a href="#">Choosing a Time Range for Reports</a> , on page 26.  |
| Top Application Types by Total Transactions | This section lists the top application types that are being visited on the site in a graph format. For example, instant messaging tools such as Yahoo Instant Messenger, Facebook, and Presentation application types.   |
| Top Applications by Blocked Transactions    | This section lists the top application types that triggered a block action to occur per transaction in a graph format. For example, a user has tried to start a certain application type, for example Google Talk or Yahoo Instant Messenger, and because of a specific policy that is in place, this triggered a block action. This application then gets listed in this graph as a transaction blocked or warning.   |
| Application Types Matched                   | The Application Types Matched interactive table allows you to view granular details about the application types listed in the Top Applications Type by Total Transactions table. From the Applications column you can click on an application to view details  |
| Applications Matched                        | <p>The Applications Matched section shows all the application during a specified time range. This is an interactive table with interactive column headings that you can use to sort data as you need.</p> <p>You can configure the columns that you want to appear in the Applications Matched section. For information on configuring columns for this section, see the <a href="#">Working with Web Security Reports</a>, on page 167.</p> <p>After you have selected the specific items to appear in the Applications table, you can select how many items you want to be displayed from the <b>Items Displayed</b> drop-down menu. Choices are: 10, 20, 50, or 100.</p> <p>Additionally, you can find a specific Application within the Application Matched section. In the text field at the bottom of this section, enter the specific Application name and click <b>Find Application</b>.</p> |



**Tip** To customize your view of this report, see [Working with Web Security Reports, on page 167](#).



**Note** You can generate a scheduled report for information on the Application Visibility page. For information on scheduling a report, see the [About Scheduled and On-Demand Web Reports, on page 222](#).

## Anti-Malware Report

The **Web > Reporting > Anti-Malware** page is a security-related reporting page that reflects the results of scanning by your enabled scanning engines (Webroot, Sophos, McAfee, and/or Adaptive Scanning).

Use this page to help identify and monitor web-based malware threats.



**Note** To view data for malware found by L4 Traffic Monitoring, see [L4 Traffic Monitor Report , on page 191](#).

From the **Anti-Malware** page, you can view the following information:

**Table 50: Details on the Web Reporting Anti-Malware Page**

| Section                                      | Description  |
|--|--|
| Time Range (drop-down list)                  | A drop-down list that can range from a day to 90 days or a custom range. For more information on time ranges and customizing this for your needs, see the <a href="#">Choosing a Time Range for Reports , on page 26</a> .   |
| Top Malware Categories: Monitored or Blocked | This section displays the top malware categories that are detected by a given category type. This information is displayed in graph format. See <a href="#">Malware Category Descriptions, on page 182</a> for more information on valid Malware categories.   |
| Top Malware Threats: Monitored or Blocked    | This section displays the top malware threats. This information is displayed in graph format.  |
| Malware Categories                           | <p>The Malware Categories interactive table shows detailed information about particular malware categories that are displayed in the Top Malware Categories chart.</p> <p>Clicking on any of the links in the Malware Categories interactive table allows you to view more granular details about individual malware categories and where they are on the network.</p> <p>Exception: an Outbreak Heuristics link in the table lets you view a chart showing when transactions in this category occurred.</p> <p>See <a href="#">Malware Category Descriptions, on page 182</a> for more information on valid Malware categories.</p> |
| Malware Threats                              | <p>The Malware Threats interactive table shows detailed information about particular malware threats that are displayed in the Top Malware Threats section.</p> <p>Threats labeled “Outbreak” with a number are threats identified by the Adaptive Scanning feature independently of other scanning engines.</p>   |



**Tip** To customize your view of this report, see [Working with Web Security Reports, on page 167](#).

## Malware Category Report

The Malware Category Report page allows you to view detailed information on an individual Malware Category and what it is doing on your network.

To access the Malware Category report page, perform the following:

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- Step 1** On the Security Management appliance, choose **Web** from the dropdown list.
- Step 2** Choose **Monitoring > Anti-Malware** page.
- Step 3** In the Malware Categories interactive table, click on a category in the Malware Category column.
- Step 4** To customize your view of this report, see [Working with Web Security Reports, on page 167](#).

## Malware Threat Report

The Malware Threat Report page shows clients at risk for a particular threat, displays a list of potentially infected clients, and links to the Client Detail page. The trend graph at the top of the report shows monitored and blocked transactions for a threat during the specified time range. The table at the bottom shows the actual number of monitored and blocked transactions for a threat during the specified time range.

To view this report, click a category in the Malware Category column of the Anti-Malware report page.

For additional information, click the **Support Portal Malware Details** link below the table.

## Malware Category Descriptions

The Web Security appliance can block the following types of malware:

| Malware Type              | Description   |
|---------------------------|---|
| Adware                    | Adware encompasses all software executables and plug-ins that direct users towards products for sale. Some adware applications have separate processes that run concurrently and monitor each other, ensuring that the modifications are permanent. Some variants enable themselves to run each time the machine is started. These programs may also change security settings making it impossible for users to make changes to their browser search options, desktop, and other system settings. |
| Browser Helper Object     | A browser helper object is browser plug-in that may perform a variety of functions related to serving advertisements or hijacking user settings.  |
| Commercial System Monitor | A commercial system monitor is a piece of software with system monitor characteristics that can be obtained with a legitimate license through legal means.  |

| Malware Type        | Description   |
|---------------------|---|
| Dialer              | A dialer is a program that utilizes your modem or another type of Internet access to connect you to a phone line or a site that causes you to accrue long distance charges to which you did not provide your full, meaningful, and informed consent.  |
| Generic Spyware     | Spyware is a type of malware installed on computers that collects small pieces of information about users without their knowledge.  |
| Hijacker            | A hijacker modifies system settings or any unwanted changes to a user's system that may direct them to a website or run a program without a user's full, meaningful, and informed consent.  |
| Other Malware       | This category is used to catch all other malware and suspicious behavior that does not exactly fit in one of the other defined categories.  |
| Outbreak Heuristics | This category represents malware found by Adaptive Scanning independently of the other anti-malware engines.  |
| Phishing URL        | A phishing URL is displayed in the browser address bar. In some cases, it involves the use of domain names and resembles those of legitimate domains. Phishing is a form of online identity theft that employs both social engineering and technical subterfuge to steal personal identity data and financial account credentials.  |
| PUA                 | Potentially Unwanted Application. A PUA is an application that is not malicious, but which may be considered to be undesirable.   |
| System Monitor      | A system monitor encompasses any software that performs one of the following actions:<br><br>Overtly or covertly records system processes and/or user action.<br><br>Makes those records available for retrieval and review at a later time.  |
| Trojan Downloader   | A trojan downloader is a Trojan that, after installation, contacts a remote host/site and installs packages or affiliates from the remote host. These installations usually occur without the user's knowledge. Additionally, a Trojan Downloader's payload may differ from installation to installation since it obtains downloading instructions from the remote host/site. |
| Trojan Horse        | A trojan horse is a destructive program that masquerades as a benign application. Unlike viruses, Trojan horses do not replicate themselves.  |
| Trojan Phisher      | A trojan phisher may sit on an infected computer waiting for a specific web page to be visited or may scan the infected machine looking for user names and passphrases for bank sites, auction sites, or online payment sites.  |
| Virus               | A virus is a program or piece of code that is loaded onto your computer without your knowledge and runs against your wishes.  |
| Worm                | A worm is program or algorithm that replicates itself over a computer network and usually performs malicious actions.   |

## Advanced Malware Protection (File Reputation and File Analysis) Reports

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#### (Cloud File Analysis) Ensure That the Management Appliance Can Reach the File Analysis Server

In order to obtain File Analysis report details, the appliance must be able to connect to the File Analysis server over port 443. See details in [Firewall Information, on page 569](#).


If your Cisco Content Security Management appliance does not have a direct connection to the internet, configure a proxy server for this traffic (See [Upgrade and Update Settings, on page 462](#).) If you have already configured the appliance to use a proxy to obtain upgrades and service updates, the existing settings are used.

If you use an HTTPS proxy, the proxy must not decrypt the traffic; use a pass-through mechanism for communications with the File Analysis server. The proxy server must trust the certificate from the File Analysis server, but need not provide its own certificate to the File Analysis server.

#### (Cloud File Analysis) Configure the Management Appliance to Display Detailed File Analysis Results

In order to allow all content security appliances in your organization to display detailed results in the cloud about files sent for analysis from any Cisco Email Security appliance or Cisco Web Security appliance in your organization, you need to join all appliances to the same appliance group.

##### Procedure

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- Step 1** [New Web Interface Only] On the Security Management appliance, click  to load the legacy web interface.
  - Step 2** Select **Management Appliance > Centralized Services > Security Appliances**.
  - Step 3** Scroll to the File Analysis section.
  - Step 4** If your managed appliances are pointed at different File Analysis cloud servers, select the server from which to display result details.  
  
Result details will not be available for files processed by any other cloud server.
  - Step 5** Enter the Analysis Group ID.



- If you enter the Group ID incorrectly or need to change it for any other reason, you must open a case with Cisco TAC.
- This change takes effect immediately; it does not require a Commit.
- It is suggested to use your CCOID for this value.
- This value is case-sensitive.
- This value must be identical on all appliances that will share data about files that are uploaded for analysis.
- An appliance can belong to only one group.
- You can add a machine to a group at any time, but you can do it only once.

**Step 6** Click **Group Now**.

**Step 7** Configure the same group on each Web Security appliance that will share data with this appliance.

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### What to do next

#### Related Topics

[For Which Files Are Detailed File Analysis Results Visible in the Cloud? , on page 187](#)

## (On-Premises File Analysis) Activate the File Analysis Account

If you have deployed an on-premises (private cloud) Cisco AMP Threat Grid Appliance, you must activate the File Analysis account for your Cisco Content Security Management appliance in order to view report details available on the Threat Grid appliance. You generally only need to do this once.


### Before you begin

Ensure that you are receiving System alerts at Critical level.

### Procedure

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**Step 1** The first time you attempt to access File Analysis report details from the Threat Grid appliance, wait a few minutes and you will receive an alert that includes a link.

If you do not receive this alert, click on the  icon to load the legacy web interface and choose **Management Appliance > System Administration > Alerts** and click **View Top Alerts**.

**Step 2** Click the link in the alert message.

**Step 3** If necessary, sign in to your Cisco AMP Threat Grid Appliance.

**Step 4** Activate your management appliance account.

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### Additional Requirements

For any additional requirements, see the Release Notes for your Security Management appliance release, available from <http://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/support/security/content-security-management-appliance/products-release-notes-list.html>

## Identifying Files by SHA-256 Hash

Because filenames can easily be changed, the appliance generates an identifier for each file using a Secure Hash Algorithm (SHA-256). If an appliance processes the same file with different names, all instances are recognized as the same SHA-256. If multiple appliances process the same file, all instances of the file have the same SHA-256 identifier.

In most reports, files are listed by their SHA-256 value (in an abbreviated format). To identify the filenames associated with a malware instance in your organization, select Advanced Malware Protection report page and click an SHA-256 link in the table. The details page shows associated filenames.

## Advanced Malware Protection (File Reputation and File Analysis) Report Pages

| Report                      | Description  |
|-----------------------------|--|
| Advanced Malware Protection | <p>Shows file-based threats that were identified by the file reputation service.</p> <p>To see the users who tried to access each SHA, and the filenames associated with that SHA-256, click a SHA-256 in the table.</p> <p>Clicking the link at the bottom of Malware Threat File Details report page displays all instances of the file in Web Tracking that were encountered within the maximum available time range, regardless of the time range selected for the report.</p> <p>For files with changed verdicts, see the AMP Verdict updates report. Those verdicts are not reflected in the Advanced Malware Protection report.</p> <p>If a file extracted from a compressed or archived file is malicious, only the SHA value of the compressed or archived file is included in the Advanced Malware Protection report.</p> <p>The <b>Malware Files by Category</b> section shows the percentage of blocked listed file SHAs received from the AMP for Endpoints console that are categorised as <b>Custom Detection</b></p> <p>The threat name of a blocked listed file SHA obtained from AMP for Endpoints console is displayed as <b>Simple Custom Detection</b> in the Malware Threat Files section of the report.</p> <p>To view the file trajectory details of a blocked listed file SHA in the AMP for Endpoints console, perform the following steps:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Choose <b>Reporting &gt; Advanced Malware Protection</b>.</li> <li>2. Click on the file SHA link for which you want to view the trajectory details.</li> <li>3. Click on the AMP Console link in the <b>More Details</b> section.</li> </ol> |

| Report              | Description   |
|---------------------|---|
| File Analysis       | <p>Displays the time and verdict (or interim verdict) for each file sent for analysis. The appliance checks for analysis results every 30 minutes.</p> <p>To view more than 1000 File Analysis results, export the data as a .csv file.</p> <p>For deployments with an on-premises Cisco AMP Threat Grid Appliance: Files that are included in the allowed list on the Cisco AMP Threat Grid appliance show as "clean." For information about allowed list, see the AMP Threat Grid online help.</p> <p>Drill down to view detailed analysis results, including the threat characteristics and score for each file.</p> <p>You can also view additional details about an SHA directly on the server that performed the analysis by searching for the SHA or by clicking the Cisco AMP Threat Grid link at the bottom of the file analysis details page.</p> <p>To view details on the server that analyzed a file, see <a href="#">Requirements for File Analysis Report Details</a> , on page 184.</p> <p>If a file extracted from a compressed or archived file is sent for analysis, only the SHA value of the extracted file is included in the File Analysis report.</p> |
| AMP Verdict Updates | <p>Lists the files processed by this appliance for which the verdict has changed since the transaction was processed. For more information about this situation, see the documentation for your Web Security appliance.</p> <p>To view more than 1000 verdict updates, export the data as a .csv file.</p> <p>In the case of multiple verdict changes for a single SHA-256, this report shows only the latest verdict, not the verdict history.</p> <p>If multiple Web Security appliances have different verdict updates for the same file, the result with the latest time stamp is displayed.</p> <p>Clicking an SHA-256 link displays web tracking results for all transactions that included this SHA-256 within the maximum available time range, regardless of the time range selected for the report.</p> <p>To view all affected transactions for a particular SHA-256 within the maximum available time range (regardless of the time range selected for the report), click the link at the bottom of the Malware Threat Files page.</p>  |

## Viewing File Reputation Filtering Data in Other Reports

Data for file reputation and analysis is available in other reports where relevant. A "Blocked by Advanced Malware Protection" column may be hidden by default in applicable reports. To display additional columns, click the Columns link below the table.

## For Which Files Are Detailed File Analysis Results Visible in the Cloud?

If you have deployed public-cloud File Analysis, you can view detailed results for all files uploaded from any managed appliance that has been added to the appliance group for File Analysis.

If you have added your management appliance to the group, you can view the list of managed appliances in the group by clicking the button on the **Management Appliance > Centralized Services > Security Appliances** page.

Appliances in the analysis group are identified by the File Analysis Client ID. To determine this identifier for a particular appliance, look in the following location:

| Appliance                                   | Location of File Analysis Client ID   |
|---|---|
| Email Security appliance                    | Advanced Settings for File Analysis section on the <b>Security Services &gt; File Reputation and Analysis</b> page. |
| Web Security appliance                      | Advanced Settings for File Analysis section on the <b>Security Services &gt; Anti-Malware and Reputation</b> page.  |
| Cisco Content Security Management appliance | At the bottom of the <b>Management Appliance &gt; Centralized Services &gt; Security Appliances</b> page.           |

### Related Topics

(Cloud File Analysis) [Configure the Management Appliance to Display Detailed File Analysis Results](#) , on page 184

## Client Malware Risk Report

The **Web > Reporting > Client Malware Risk** page is a security-related reporting page that can be used to monitor client malware risk activity.

From the Client Malware Risk page, a system administrator can see which of their users are encountering the most blocks or warnings. Given the information gathered from this page, the administrator can click on the user link to view what this user doing on the web that makes them run into so many blocks or warnings and setting off more detections than the rest of the users on the network.

Additionally, the Client Malware Risk page lists client IP addresses involved in frequent malware connections, as identified by the L4 Traffic Monitor (L4TM). A computer that connects frequently to malware sites may be infected with malware that is trying to connect to a central command and control server and should be disinfected.

The following table describes the information on the Client Malware Risk page.

**Table 51: Client Malware Risk Report Page Components**

| Section                                     | Description  |
|---|--|
| Time Range (drop-down list)                 | A menu that allows you to choose the time range of the data contained in the report. For more information, see <a href="#">Choosing a Time Range for Reports</a> , on page 26. |
| Web Proxy: Top Clients Monitored or Blocked | This chart displays the top ten users that have encountered a malware risk.  |

| Section  | Description   |
|--|---|
| L4 Traffic Monitor: Malware Connections Detected | <p>This chart displays the IP addresses of the ten computers in your organization that most frequently connect to malware sites.</p> <p>This chart is the same as the “Top Client IPs” chart on the <a href="#">L4 Traffic Monitor Report</a>, on page 191. See that section for more information and chart options.</p>  |
| Web Proxy: Client Malware Risk                   | <p>The Web Proxy: Client Malware Risk table shows detailed information about particular clients that are displayed in the Web Proxy: Top Clients by Malware Risk section.</p> <p>You can click each user in this table to view the User Details page associated with that client. For information about that page, see the <a href="#">User Details (Web Reporting)</a>, on page 174.</p> <p>Clicking on any of the links in the table allows you to view more granular details about individual users and what activity they are performing that is triggering the malware risk. For example, clicking on the link in the “User ID / Client IP Address” column takes you to a User page for that user.</p> |
| L4 Traffic Monitor: Clients by Malware Risk      | <p>This table displays IP addresses of computers in your organization that frequently connect to malware sites.</p> <p>This table is the same as the “Client Source IPs” table on the <a href="#">L4 Traffic Monitor Report</a>, on page 191. For information about working with this table, see that section.</p>  |



**Tip** To customize your view of this report, see [Working with Web Security Reports](#), on page 167.

## Web Reputation Filters Report

The **Web > Reporting > Web Reputation Filters** allows you to view the results of your set Web Reputation filters for transactions during a specified time range.

### What are Web Reputation Filters?

Web Reputation Filters analyze web server behavior and assign a reputation score to a URL to determine the likelihood that it contains URL-based malware. It helps protect against URL-based malware that threatens end-user privacy and sensitive corporate information. The Web Security appliance uses URL reputation scores to identify suspicious activity and stop malware attacks before they occur. You can use Web Reputation Filters with both Access and Decryption Policies.

Web Reputation Filters use statistical data to assess the reliability of Internet domains and score the reputation of URLs. Data such as how long a specific domain has been registered, or where a web site is hosted, or whether a web server is using a dynamic IP address is used to judge the trustworthiness of a given URL.

The web reputation calculation associates a URL with network parameters to determine the probability that malware exists. The aggregate probability that malware exists is then mapped to a Web Reputation Score between -10 and +10, with +10 being the least likely to contain malware.

Example parameters include the following:

## What are Web Reputation Filters?

- URL categorization data
- Presence of downloadable code
- Presence of long, obfuscated End-User License Agreements (EULAs)
- Global volume and changes in volume
- Network owner information
- History of a URL
- Age of a URL
- Presence on any block lists
- Presence on any allow lists
- URL typos of popular domains
- Domain registrar information
- IP address information

For more information on Web Reputation Filtering, see ‘Web Reputation Filters’ in the IronPort AsyncOS for Web User Guide.

From the **Web Reputation Filters** page, you can view the following information:

**Table 52: Details on the Web Reporting Web Reputation Filters Page**

| Section                                     | Description   |
|---|---|
| Time Range (drop-down list)                 | A drop-down list that can range from a day to 90 days or a custom range. For more information on time ranges and customizing this for your needs, see the <a href="#">Choosing a Time Range for Reports</a> , on page 26.   |
| Web Reputation Actions (Trend)              | This section, in graph format, displays the total number of web reputation actions (vertical) against the time specified (horizontal timeline). From this you can see potential trends over time for web reputation actions.  |
| Web Reputation Actions (Volume)             | This section displays the web reputation action volume in percentages by transactions.  |
| Web Reputation Threat Types Blocked by WBRs | This section displays the types of threats found in transactions that were blocked by Web Reputation filtering.<br>Note: WBRs cannot always identify the threat type.   |
| Threat Types Detected in Other Transactions | This section displays the type of threats found in transactions that were not blocked by Web Reputation filtering.<br>Reasons these threats might not have been blocked include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Not all threats have a score that meets the threshold for blocking. However, other features of the appliance may catch these threats.</li> <li>• Policies might be configured to allow threats to pass through.</li> </ul> Note: WBRs cannot always identify the threat type. |
| Web Reputation Actions (Breakdown by Score) | If Adaptive Scanning is not enabled, this interactive table displays the Web Reputation scores broken down for each action.   |



**Tip** To customize your view of this report, see [Working with Web Security Reports, on page 167](#).

## Adjusting Web Reputation Settings

Based on your report results, you may want to adjust the configured web reputation settings, for example adjust the threshold scores or enable or disable Adaptive Scanning. For specific information about configuring web reputation settings, see *AsyncOS for Cisco Web Security Appliances User Guide*.

## L4 Traffic Monitor Report

The **Web > Reporting > L4 Traffic Monitor** page displays information about malware ports and malware sites that the L4 Traffic Monitors on your Web Security appliances have detected during the specified time range. It also displays IP addresses of clients that frequently encounter malware sites.

The L4 Traffic Monitor listens to network traffic that comes in over all ports on each Web Security appliance and matches domain names and IP addresses against entries in its own database tables to determine whether to allow incoming and outgoing traffic.

You can use data in this report to determine whether to block a port or a site, or to investigate why a particular client IP address is connecting unusually frequently to a malware site (for example, this could be because the computer associated with that IP address is infected with malware that is trying to connect to a central command and control server.)



**Tip** To customize your view of this report, see [Working with Web Security Reports, on page 167](#).

**Table 53: L4 Traffic Monitor Report Page Components**

| Section                     | Description  |
|-----------------------------|--|
| Time Range (drop-down list) | A menu that allows you to choose a time range on which to report. For more information, see <a href="#">Choosing a Time Range for Reports , on page 26</a> .   |
| Top Client IPs              | This section displays, in graph format, the IP addresses of computers in your organization that most frequently connect to malware sites.<br><br>Click the Chart Options link below the chart to change the display from total Malware Connections Detected to Malware Connections Monitored or Malware Connections Blocked.<br><br>This chart is the same as the “L4 Traffic Monitor: Malware Connections Detected” chart on the <a href="#">Client Malware Risk Report , on page 188</a> . |
| Top Malware Sites           | This section displays, in graph format, the top malware domains detected by the L4 Traffic Monitor.<br><br>Click the Chart Options link below the chart to change the display from total Malware Connections Detected to Malware Connections Monitored or Malware Connections Blocked.   |

| Section                | Description  |
|------------------------|--|
| Client Source IPs      | <p>This table displays the IP addresses of computers in your organization that frequently connect to malware sites.</p> <p>To include only data for a particular port, enter a port number into the box at the bottom of the table and click Filter by Port. You can use this feature to help determine which ports are used by malware that “calls home” to malware sites.</p> <p>To view details such as the port and destination domain of each connection, click an entry in the table. For example, if one particular client IP address has a high number of Malware Connections Blocked, click the number in that column to view a list of each blocked connection. The list is displayed as search results in the L4 Traffic Monitor tab on the Web &gt; Reporting &gt; Web Tracking page. For more information about this list, see <a href="#">Searching for Transactions Processed by the L4 Traffic Monitor</a> , on page 235.</p> <p>This table is the same as the “L4 Traffic Monitor - Clients by Malware Risk” table on the <a href="#">Client Malware Risk Report</a> , on page 188.</p> |
| Malware Ports          | <p>This table displays the ports on which the L4 Traffic Monitor has most frequently detected malware.</p> <p>To view details, click an entry in the table. For example, click the number of Total Malware Connections Detected to view details of each connection on that port. The list is displayed as search results in the L4 Traffic Monitor tab on the Web &gt; Reporting &gt; Web Tracking page. For more information about this list, see <a href="#">Searching for Transactions Processed by the L4 Traffic Monitor</a> , on page 235.</p>   |
| Malware Sites Detected | <p>This table displays the domains on which the L4 Traffic Monitor most frequently detects malware.</p> <p>To include only data for a particular port, enter a port number into the box at the bottom of the table and click Filter by Port. You can use this feature to help determine whether to block a site or a port.</p> <p>To view details, click an entry in the table. For example, click the number of Malware Connections Blocked to view the list of each blocked connection for a particular site. The list is displayed as search results in the L4 Traffic Monitor tab on the Web &gt; Reporting &gt; Web Tracking page. For more information about this list, see <a href="#">Searching for Transactions Processed by the L4 Traffic Monitor</a> , on page 235.</p>  |



**Tip** To customize your view of this report, see [Working with Web Security Reports](#), on page 167.

#### Related Topics

- [Troubleshooting L4 Traffic Monitor Reports](#) , on page 245

## SOCKS Proxy Report

The **Web > Reporting > SOCKS Proxy**Page allows you to view data and trends for transactions processed through the SOCKS proxy, including information about destinations and users.





**Note** The destination shown in the report is the address that the SOCKS client (typically a browser) sends to the SOCKS proxy.

To change SOCKS policy settings, see AsyncOS for Cisco Web Security Appliances User Guide.

#### Related Topics

- [Searching for Transactions Processed by the SOCKS Proxy](#) , on page 236

## Reports by User Location

The **Web > Reporting > Reports by User Location** Page allows you to find out what activities your mobile users are conducting from their local or remote systems.

Activities include:

- URL Categories that are being accessed by the local and remote users.
- Anti-Malware activity that is being triggered by sites the local and remote users are accessing.
- Web Reputation of the sites being accessed by the local and remote users.
- Applications that are being accessed by the local and remote users.
- Users (local and remote).
- Domains accessed by local and remote users.

From the **Reports by User Location** page, you can view the following information:

**Table 54: Details on the Web Reporting Reports by User Location Page**

| Section                                     | Description   |
|---|---|
| Time Range (drop-down list)                 | A drop-down list that can range from a day to 90 days or a custom range. For more information on time ranges and customizing this for your needs, see the <a href="#">Choosing a Time Range for Reports</a> , on page 26. |
| Total Web Proxy Activity: Remote Users      | This section displays, in graph format, the activity of your remote users (vertical) over the specified time (horizontal).  |
| Web Proxy Summary                           | This section displays a summary of the activities of the local and remote users on your system.   |
| Total Web Proxy Activity: Local Users       | This section displays, in graph format, the activity of your remote users (vertical) over the specified time (horizontal).  |
| Suspect Transactions Detected: Remote Users | This section displays, in graph format, the suspect transactions that have been detected due to access policies that you have defined for your remote users (vertical) over the specified time (horizontal).              |
| Suspect Transactions Summary                | This section displays a summary of suspected transactions of the remote users on your system.   |

| Section                                    | Description  |
|--|--|
| Suspect Transactions Detected: Local Users | This section displays, in graph format, the suspect transactions that have been detected due to access policies that you have defined for your remote users (vertical) over the specified time (horizontal). |
| Suspect Transactions Summary               | This section displays a summary of suspected transactions of the local users on your system.   |

From the **Reports by User Location** page you can generate reports showing the activity of local and remote users. This allows you to easily compare local and remote activities of your users.

**Tip**

To customize your view of this report, see [Working with Web Security Reports, on page 167](#).

**Note**

You can generate a scheduled report for information on the Reports by User Location page. For information on scheduling a report, see the [About Scheduled and On-Demand Web Reports, on page 222](#).

## System Capacity Page

The **Web > Reporting > System Capacity** page allows you to view the overall workload that is put on the Security Management appliance by the Web Security appliances. Most importantly, you can use the System Capacity page to track growth over time and plan for system capacity. Monitoring your Web Security appliances ensures that the capacity is appropriate to your volumes. Over time, volume inevitably rises and appropriate monitoring ensures that additional capacity or configuration changes can be applied proactively.

The System Capacity page can be used to determine the following information:

- Identify when Web Security appliances are exceeding recommended CPU capacity; this enables you to determine when configuration optimization or additional appliances are needed.
- For troubleshooting, identify which parts of the system are using the most resources.
- Identify response time and Proxy buffer memory.
- Identify the transactions per second, and any connections that are outstanding.

## Viewing the System Capacity Report

### Procedure

- Step 1** On the Security Management appliance, choose **Web > Reporting > System Capacity**.
- Step 2** To view different types of data, click **Columns** and choose the data to view.
- Step 3** To see the system capacity for a single appliance, click the appliance in the Web Security appliance column in the Overview of Averaged Usage and Performance table.

The System Capacity graphs appear for that appliance. The graphs on the page are divided into two sets:

- [System Capacity - System Load , on page 195](#)

- [System Capacity - Network Load](#) , on page 195

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## How to Interpret the Data You See on the System Capacity Page

When choosing time ranges for viewing data on the System Capacity page, the following is important to remember:

- **Day Report**— The Day report queries the hour table and displays the exact number of queries that have been received by the appliance on an hourly basis over a 24 hour period. This information is gathered from the hour table.
- **Month Report**— The Month report queries the day tables for the 30 or 31 days (dependent on the number of days in the month), giving you an exact report on the number of queries over 30 or 31 days. Again, this is an exact number.

The ‘Maximum’ value indicator on the System Capacity page is the highest value seen for the specified period. The ‘Average’ value is the average of all values for the specified period. The period of aggregation depends on the interval selected for that report. For example, you can choose to see the Average and Maximum values for each day if the chart is for a month period.



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**Note** If you select **Year** for the time range for other reports, we recommend that you select the largest time range, 90 days.

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## System Capacity - System Load

The first four graphs on the System Capacity window show the system load reports. These reports show the overall CPU usage on the appliances. AsyncOS is optimized to use idle CPU resources to improve transaction throughput. High CPU usage may not indicate a system capacity problem. If the high CPU usage is coupled with consistent, high-volume memory page swapping, you may have a capacity problem. This page also shows a graph that displays the amount of CPU used by different functions, including processing for the Web Security appliance reporting. The CPU-by-function graph is an indicator of which areas of the product use the most resources on your system. If you need to optimize your appliance, this graph can help you determine which functions may need to be tuned or disabled.

Additionally, the Response Time/Latency and Transactions Per Second graphs shows the overall response time (in milliseconds), and transactions per second for the date range specified in the Time Range drop-down menu.

## System Capacity - Network Load

The next graphs on the System Capacity window show the outgoing connections, the bandwidth out, and the proxy buffer memory statistics. You can view the results for a day, week, month, or year. It is important to understand the trends of normal volume and spikes in your environment.

The Proxy Buffer Memory may indicate spikes in network traffic during normal operation, but if the graph climbs steadily to the maximum, the appliance may be reaching its maximum capacity and you should consider adding capacity.

These charts are on the same page as the charts described in [System Capacity - System Load](#) , on page 195, below those charts.

## Note About Proxy Buffer Memory Swapping

The system is designed to swap proxy buffer memory regularly, so some proxy buffer memory swapping is expected and is not an indication of problems with your appliance. Unless the system *consistently* swaps proxy buffer memory in high volumes, proxy buffer memory swapping is normal and expected behavior. If your system runs with extremely high volumes, and consistently swaps proxy buffer memory due to the high volumes, you may need to add Web Security appliances to your network or tune your configuration to ensure maximum throughput to improve performance.

## Data Availability Page

The **Web > Reporting > Data Availability** page provides an overview of the date ranges for which reporting and web tracking data are available on the Security Management appliance for each managed Web Security appliance.



**Note** If Web Reporting is disabled, the Security Management appliance will not pull any new data from the Web Security appliance, but previously retrieved data is still present on the Security Management appliance.

If the status is different between The Web Reporting ‘From’ and ‘To’ columns, and the Web Reporting and Tracking ‘From’ and ‘To’ columns, the most severe consequence appears in the Status column.

For information about purging of data, see the [Managing Disk Space](#), on page 494.



**Note** If Data Availability is used within a scheduled report for URL Categories, and there are gaps in data for any of the appliances, the following message is displayed at the bottom of the page: “Some data in this time range was unavailable.” If there are no gaps present, nothing appears.

## Understanding the Web Reporting Pages on the New Web Interface

The following table lists the reports under the Reports drop-down, available in the latest supported release of AsyncOS for Web Security appliances under the **Reports** drop-down of the web interface. For more information, see [Using the Interactive Report Pages](#), on page 37. If your Web Security appliances are running earlier releases of AsyncOS, not all of these reports are available.

**Table 55: Web Reports Drop-down Options**

| Reports Drop-down Option | Action  |
|--------------------------|---|
| <b>General Reports</b>   |   |
| Overview Page            | The Overview page provides a synopsis of the activity on your Web Security appliances. It includes graphs and summary tables for the incoming and outgoing transactions. For more information, see the <a href="#">Overview Page</a> , on page 199. |

| Reports Drop-down Option     | Action  |
|------------------------------|---|
| Application Visibility Page  | The Application Visibility page allows you to apply and view the controls that have been applied to a particular application types within the Security Management appliance and Web Security appliance. For more information, see the <a href="#">Application Visibility Page, on page 200</a> .  |
| Layer 4 Traffic Monitor Page | Allows you to view information about malware ports and malware sites that the L4 Traffic Monitor detected during the specified time range. For more information, see the <a href="#">Layer 4 Traffic Monitor Page, on page 202</a> .  |
| SOCKS Proxy Page             | Allows you to view data for SOCKS proxy transactions, including destinations and users. For more information, see the <a href="#">SOCKS Proxy Page, on page 204</a> .   |
| URL Categories Page          | <p>The URL Categories page allows you to view the top URL Categories that are being visited, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The top URLs that have triggered a block or warning action to occur per transaction.</li> <li>• All the URL categories during a specified time range for both completed, warned and blocked transactions. This is an interactive table with interactive column headings that you can use to sort data as you need.</li> </ul> <p>For more information, see the <a href="#">URL Categories Page, on page 205</a>.</p>   |
| Users Page                   | <p>The Users page provides several web tracking links that allow you to view web tracking information for individual users.</p> <p>From the Users page you can view how long a user, or users, on your system have spent on the internet, on a particular site or URL, and how much bandwidth that user is using.</p> <p>From the Users page you can click on an individual user in the interactive Users table to view more details for that specific user on the User Details page.</p> <p>The User Details page allows you to see specific information about a user that you have identified in the Users table on the Users page. From this page you can investigate individual user's activity on your system. This page is particularly useful if you are running user-level investigations and need to find out, for example, what sites your users are visiting, what Malware threats they are encountering, what URL categories they are accessing, and how much time a specific user is spending at these sites.</p> <p>For more information, see the <a href="#">Users Page, on page 208</a>.</p> <p>For information on a specific user in your system, see the <a href="#">User Details Page (Web Reporting) , on page 209</a>.</p> |

| Reports Drop-down Option    | Action   |
|-----------------------------|--|
| Web Sites Page              | The Web Sites page allows you to view an overall aggregation of the activity that is happening on your managed appliances. From this page you can monitor high-risk web sites accessed during a specific time range. For more information, see the <a href="#">Web Sites Page, on page 211</a> .   |
| HTTPS Reports               | The HTTPS Reports report page is an overall aggregation of the HTTP/HTTPS traffic summary (transactions or bandwidth usage) on the managed appliances. For more information, see the <a href="#">HTTPS Reports Page, on page 212</a> .   |
| <b>Threat Reports</b>       |  |
| Anti-Malware Page           | The Anti-Malware page allows you to view information about malware ports and malware sites that the anti-malware scanning engine(s) detected during the specified time range. The upper part of the report displays the number of connections for each of the top malware ports and web sites. The lower part of the report displays malware ports and sites detected. For more information, see the <a href="#">Anti-Malware Page , on page 214</a> . |
| Client Malware Risk Page    | The Client Malware Risk page is a security-related reporting page that can be used to identify individual client computers that may be connecting unusually frequently to malware sites.<br><br>For more information, see the <a href="#">Client Malware Risk Report , on page 219</a> .   |
| Web Reputation Filters Page | Allows you to view reporting on Web Reputation filtering for transactions during a specified time range. For more information, see the <a href="#">Web Reputation Filters Page , on page 220</a> .   |

## About Time Spent

The Time Spent column in various tables represents the amount of time a user spent on a web page. For purposes of investigating a user, the time spent by the user on each URL category. When tracking a URL, the time spent by each user on that specific URL.

Once a transaction event is tagged as ‘viewed’, that is, a user goes to a particular URL, a ‘Time Spent’ value will start to be calculated and added as a field in the web reporting table.

To calculate the time spent, AsyncOS assigns each active user with 60 seconds of time for activity during a minute. At the end of the minute, the time spent by each user is evenly distributed among the different domains the user visited. For example, if a user goes to four different domains in an active minute, the user is considered to have spent 15 seconds at each domain.

For the purposes of the time spent value, considering the following notes:

- An active user is defined as a user name or IP address that sends HTTP traffic through the appliance and has gone to a website that AsyncOS considers to be a “page view.”

- AsyncOS defines a page view as an HTTP request initiated by the user, as opposed to a request initiated by the client application. AsyncOS uses a heuristic algorithm to make a best effort guess to identify user page views.

Units are displayed in Hours:Minutes format.

## Overview Page

The **Overview** report page provides a synopsis of the activity on your Web Security appliances. It includes graphs and summary tables for the incoming and outgoing transactions.

To view the Overview report page, select **Web** from the Product drop-down and choose **Monitoring > Overview** from the Reports drop-down. For more information, see [Using the Interactive Report Pages, on page 37](#).

At a high level the **Overview** report page shows you statistics about the URL and User usage, Web Proxy activity, and various transaction summaries. The transaction summaries gives you further trending details on, for example suspect transactions, and right across from this graph, how many of those suspect transactions are blocked and in what manner they are being blocked.

The lower half of the Overview report page is about usage. That is, the top URL categories being viewed, the top application types and categories that are being blocked, and the top users that are generating these blocks or warnings.

**Table 56: Details on the Overview Page**

| Section                        | Description   |
|--------------------------------|---|
| Time Range (drop-down list)    | Choose the time range for your report. For more information, see the <a href="#">Choosing a Time Range for Reports</a> , on page 26.  |
| View Data for (drop-down list) | Choose a Web Security appliance for which you want to view Overview data, or choose All Web Appliances.<br><br>See also <a href="#">Viewing Reporting Data for an Appliance or Reporting Group</a> , on page 25   |
| Total Web Proxy Activity       | You can view the web proxy activity that is being reported by the Web Security appliances that are currently managed by the Security Management appliance.<br><br>This section displays the actual number of transactions and the approximate date that the activity occurred in graphical format.<br><br>You can also view the percentage of web proxy activity that are suspect, or clean proxy activity, including the total number of transactions. |

| Section                                      | Description  |
|--|--|
| Suspect Transactions                         | <p>You can view the web transactions that have been labeled as suspect by the administrator in a graphical format.</p> <p>This section displays the actual number of transactions and the approximate date that the activity occurred, in graphical format.</p> <p>You can also view the percentage of blocked or warned transactions that are suspect. Additionally you can see the type of transactions that have been detected and blocked, and the actual number of times that this transaction was blocked.</p> |
| L4 Traffic Monitor Summary                   | You can view any L4 traffic that is being reported by the Web Security appliances that are currently managed by the Security Management appliance, in graphical format.  |
| Top URL Categories: Total Transactions       | <p>You can view the top URL categories that are being blocked, including the type of URL category and the actual number of times the specific type of category has been blocked in graphical format.</p> <p>The set of predefined URL categories is occasionally updated. For more information about the impact of these updates on report results, see <a href="#">URL Category Set Updates and Reports</a> , on page 178.</p>  |
| Top Application Types: Total Transactions    | You can view the top application types that are being blocked, including the name of the actual application type and the number of times the specific application has been blocked, in graphical format.   |
| Top Malware Categories: Monitored or Blocked | You can view all the Malware categories that have been detected, in graphical format.  |
| Top Users: Blocked or Warned Transactions    | You can view the actual users that are generating the blocked or warned transactions, in graphical format. Users can be displayed by IP address or by user name. To make user names unrecognizable, see <a href="#">Anonymizing User Names in Web Reports</a> , on page 166.   |

## Application Visibility Page



### Note

For detailed information on Application Visibility, see the ‘Understanding Application Visibility and Control’ chapter in User Guide for AsyncOS for Cisco Web Security Appliances.

The **Application Visibility** report page allows you to apply controls to particular application types within the Security Management appliance and Web Security appliance.

To view the Application Visibility report page, select **Web** from the product drop-down and choose **Monitoring > Application Visibility** from the Reports drop-down. For more information, see [Using the Interactive Report Pages, on page 37](#).

The application control gives you more granular control over web traffic than just URL filtering, for example, as well as more control over the following types of applications, and application types:



- Evasive applications, such as anonymizers and encrypted tunnels.
- Collaboration applications, such as Cisco WebEx, Facebook, and instant messaging.
- Resource intensive applications, such as streaming media.

### Understanding the Difference between Application versus Application Types

It is crucial to understand the difference between an application and an application types so that you can control the applications involved for your reports.


- **Application Types.** A category that contains one or more applications. For example, search engines is an application type that may contain search engines such as Google Search and Craigslist. Instant messaging is another application type category which may contain Yahoo Instant Messenger, or Cisco WebEx. Facebook is also an application type.
- **Applications.** Particular applications that belong in an application type. For example, YouTube is an application in the Media application type.
- **Application behaviors.** Particular actions or behaviors that users can accomplish within an application. For example, users can transfer files while using an application, such as Yahoo Messenger. Not all applications include application behaviors you can configure.




**Note** For detailed information on understanding how you can use Application Visibility and Control (AVC) engine to control Facebook activity, see the ‘Understanding Application Visibility and Control’ chapter in User Guide for AsyncOS for Cisco Web Security Appliances.

From the Application Visibility page, you can view the following information:

**Table 57: Details on the Application Visibility Page**

| Section                                     | Description  |
|---|--|
| Time Range (drop-down list)                 | Choose the time range for your report. For more information, see the <a href="#">Choosing a Time Range for Reports</a> , on page 26.   |
| Top Application Types by Total Transactions | <p>You can view the top application types that are being visited on the site in graphical format.</p> <p>To customize the view of the chart, click  on the chart. For more information, see <a href="#">(Web Reports Only) Choosing Which Data to Chart</a>, on page 39.</p> <p>For example, instant messaging tools such as Yahoo Instant Messenger, Facebook, and Presentation application types.</p> |

| Section                                  | Description  |
|--|--|
| Top Applications by Blocked Transactions | <p>You can view the top application types that triggered a block action to occur per transaction in graphical format.</p> <p>To customize the view of the chart, click  on the chart. For more information, see <a href="#">(Web Reports Only) Choosing Which Data to Chart, on page 39</a>.</p> <p>For example, a user has tried to start a certain application type, for example Google Talk or Yahoo Instant Messenger, and because of a specific policy that is in place, this triggered a block action. This application then gets listed in this graph as a transaction blocked or warning.</p> |
| Application Types Matched                | <p>The Application Types Matched interactive table allows you to view granular details about the application types listed in the Top Applications Type by Total Transactions table.</p> <p>From the Applications column you can click on an application to view details.</p>   |
| Applications Matched                     | <p>The Applications Matched interactive table shows all the application during a specified time range.</p> <p>Additionally, you can find a specific Application within the Application Matched section. In the text field at the bottom of this section, enter the specific Application name and click Find Application.</p>   |



**Note** To customize your view of this report, see [Working with Web Security Reports, on page 167](#).

## Layer 4 Traffic Monitor Page



The **Layer 4 Traffic Monitor** report page displays information about malware ports and malware sites that the Layer 4 Traffic Monitors on your Web Security appliances have detected during the specified time range. It also displays IP addresses of clients that frequently encounter malware sites.

To view the Web Sites report page, select **Web** from the Product drop-down and choose **Monitoring > Web Sites** from the Reports drop-down. For more information, see [Using the Interactive Report Pages, on page 37](#).

The Layer 4 Traffic Monitor listens to network traffic that comes in over all ports on each Web Security appliance and matches domain names and IP addresses against entries in its own database tables to determine whether to allow incoming and outgoing traffic.

You can use data in this report to determine whether to block a port or a site, or to investigate why a particular client IP address is connecting unusually frequently to a malware site (for example, this could be because the computer associated with that IP address is infected with malware that is trying to connect to a central command and control server.)

Table 58: Details on the Layer 4 Traffic Monitor Page

| Section   | Description   |
|---|---|
| Time Range (drop-down list)                     | Choose the time range for your report. For more information, see the <a href="#">Choosing a Time Range for Reports</a> , on page 26.  |
| Top Client IPs: Malware Connections Detected    | <p>You can view the top IP addresses of computers in your organization that most frequently connect to malware sites, in graphical format.</p> <p>To customize the view of the chart, click  on the chart. For more information, see <a href="#">(Web Reports Only) Choosing Which Data to Chart</a>, on page 39.</p> <p>This chart is the same as the “Layer 4 Traffic Monitor: Malware Connections Detected” chart on the <a href="#">Client Malware Risk Report</a> , on page 219.</p>  |
| Top Malware Sites: Malware Connections Detected | <p>You can view the top malware domains detected by the Layer 4 Traffic Monitor, in graphical format.</p> <p>To customize the view of the chart, click  on the chart. For more information, see <a href="#">(Web Reports Only) Choosing Which Data to Chart</a>, on page 39.</p>   |
| Client Source IPs                               | <p>You can use the this interactive table to view the IP addresses of computers in your organization that frequently connect to malware sites.</p> <p>To include only data for a particular port, enter a port number into the box at the bottom of the table and click Filter by Client IP. You can use this feature to help determine which ports are used by malware that “calls home” to malware sites.</p> <p>To view details such as the port and destination domain of each connection, click an entry in the table. For example, if one particular client IP address has a high number of Malware Connections Blocked, click the number in that column to view a list of each blocked connection. The list is displayed as search results in the Layer 4 Traffic Monitor tab of the Web Tracking Search page. For more information about this list, see <a href="#">Searching for Transactions Processed by the L4 Traffic Monitor</a> , on page 235.</p> <p>This chart is the same as the “Layer 4 Traffic Monitor: Malware Connections Detected” chart on the <a href="#">Client Malware Risk Report</a> , on page 219.</p> |

| Section                | Description   |
|------------------------|---|
| Malware Ports          | <p>You can use the this interactive table to view the ports on which the Layer 4 Traffic Monitor has most frequently detected malware.</p> <p>To view details, click an entry in the table. For example, click the number of Total Malware Connections Detected to view details of each connection on that port. The list is displayed as search results in the Layer 4 Traffic Monitor tab on the Web Tracking Search page. For more information about this list, see <a href="#">Searching for Transactions Processed by the L4 Traffic Monitor</a> , on page 235.</p>  |
| Malware Sites Detected | <p>You can use the this interactive table to view the domains on which the Layer 4 Traffic Monitor most frequently detects malware.</p> <p>To include only data for a particular port, enter a port number into the box at the bottom of the table and click Filter by Port. You can use this feature to help determine whether to block a site or a port.</p> <p>To view details, click an entry in the table. For example, click the number of Malware Connections Blocked to view the list of each blocked connection for a particular site. The list is displayed as search results in the Layer 4 Traffic Monitor tab on the Web Tracking Search page. For more information about this list, see <a href="#">Searching for Transactions Processed by the L4 Traffic Monitor</a> , on page 235.</p> |



**Tip** To customize your view of this report, see [Working with Web Security Reports](#), on page 167.

### Related Topics

[Troubleshooting L4 Traffic Monitor Reports](#) , on page 245

## SOCKS Proxy Page

The SOCKS Proxy report page allows you to view transactions processed through the SOCKS proxy, including information about destinations and users, in a graphical and tabular format.

To view the SOCKS Proxy report page, select **Web** from the product drop-down and choose **Monitoring > SOCKS Proxy** from the Reports drop-down. For more information, see [Using the Interactive Report Pages](#), on page 37.



**Note** The destination shown in the report is the address that the SOCKS client (typically a browser) sends to the SOCKS proxy.

To change SOCKS policy settings, see *User Guide for AsyncOS for Cisco Web Security Appliances*.

Table 59: Details on the SOCKS Proxy Page

| Section  | Description  |
|--|--|
| Time Range (drop-down list)                    | Choose the time range for your report. For more information, see the <a href="#">Choosing a Time Range for Reports</a> , on page 26.   |
| Top Destinations for SOCKS: Total Transactions | You can view the top destinations detected by the SOCKS proxy, in graphical format.<br><br>To customize the view of the chart, click <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> on the chart. For more information, see <a href="#">(Web Reports Only) Choosing Which Data to Chart</a> , on page 39.         |
| Top Users for SOCKS: Malware Transactions      | You can view the top users detected by the SOCKS proxy, in graphical format.<br><br>To customize the view of the chart, click <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> on the chart. For more information, see <a href="#">(Web Reports Only) Choosing Which Data to Chart</a> , on page 39.                |
| Destinations                                   | You can use the this interactive table to view the list of destination domains or IP addresses processed through SOCKS proxy.<br><br>To include only data for a particular destination, enter a domain name or IP address into the box at the bottom of the table and click <b>Find Domain or IP</b> . |
| Users  | You can use the this interactive table to view the list of users or IP addresses processed through SOCKS proxy.<br><br>To include only data for a particular user, enter a user name or IP address into the box at the bottom of the table and click <b>Find User ID / Client IP Address</b> .         |



**Tip** To customize your view of this report, see [Working with Web Security Reports](#), on page 167.

### Related Topics

[Searching for Transactions Processed by the SOCKS Proxy](#) , on page 236

## URL Categories Page

The **URL Categories** report page can be used to view the URL categories of sites that users on your system are visiting.

To view the URL Categories report page, select **Web** from the Product drop-down and choose **Monitoring > URL Categories** from the Reports drop-down. For more information, see [Using the Interactive Report Pages](#), on page 37.

From the URL Categories page, you can view the following information:

Table 60: Details on the URL Categories Page

| Section   | Description  |
|---|--|
| Time Range (drop-down list)                             | Choose the time range for your report. For more information, see the <a href="#">Choosing a Time Range for Reports</a> , on page 26.   |
| Top URL Categories: Total Transactions                  | <p>You can view the top URL Categories that are being visited on the site in a graphical format.</p> <p>To customize the view of the chart, click <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> on the chart. For more information, see <a href="#">(Web Reports Only) Choosing Which Data to Chart</a>, on page 39.</p>   |
| Top URL Categories: Blocked and Warned Transactions     | <p>You can view the top URL that triggered a block or warning action to occur per transaction in a graphical format. For example, a user went to a certain URL and because of a specific policy that is in place, this triggered a block action or a warning. This URL then gets listed in this graph as a transaction blocked or warning.</p> <p>To customize the view of the chart, click <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> on the chart. For more information, see <a href="#">(Web Reports Only) Choosing Which Data to Chart</a>, on page 39.</p>                           |
| Top Youtube Categories: Total Transactions              | <p>You can view the top Youtube Categories that are being visited on the site in a graphical format.</p> <p>To customize the view of the chart, click <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> on the chart. For more information, see <a href="#">(Web Reports Only) Choosing Which Data to Chart</a> , on page 26.</p>  |
| Top Youtube Categories: Blocked and Warned Transactions | <p>You can view the top Youtube URL that triggered a block or warning action to occur per transaction in a graphical format. For example, a user went to a certain Youtube URL and because of a specific policy that is in place, this triggered a block action or a warning. This Youtube URL then gets listed in this graph as a transaction blocked or warning.</p> <p>To customize the view of the chart, click <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> on the chart. For more information, see <a href="#">(Web Reports Only) Choosing Which Data to Chart</a> , on page 26 .</p> |
| URL Categories Matched                                  | <p>The URL Categories Matched interactive table shows the disposition of transactions by URL category during the specified time range, plus bandwidth used and time spent in each category.</p> <p>If there are a large number of unclassified URLs, see <a href="#">Reducing Uncategorized URLs</a> , on page 178.</p>  |

| Section                    | Description   |
|----------------------------|---|
| Youtube Categories Matched | <p>The Youtube Categories Matched interactive table shows the disposition of transactions by Youtube category during the specified time range, plus bandwidth used and time spent in each category.</p> <p>To view the Youtube Categories Matched interactive table, choose <b>Web &gt; Reporting &gt; URL Categories</b> .</p> |



**Tip** To customize your view of this report, see [Working with Web Security Reports, on page 167](#).

## Reducing Uncategorized URLs

If the percentage of uncategorized URLs is higher than 15-20%, consider the following options:

- For specific localized URLs, you can create custom URL categories and apply them to specific users or group policies. These transactions will then be included in “URL Filtering Bypassed” statistics instead. To do this, see information about custom URL categories AsyncOS for Cisco Web Security Appliances User Guide.
- For sites that you feel should be included in existing or other categories, see [Reporting Misclassified and Uncategorized URLs , on page 179](#).

## URL Category Set Updates and Reports

The set of predefined URL categories may periodically be updated on your Security Management appliance, as described in [Preparing For and Managing URL Category Set Updates , on page 354](#).

When these updates occur, data for old categories will continue to appear in reports and web tracking results until the data is too old to be included. Report data generated after a category set update will use the new categories, so you may see both old and new categories in the same report.

If there is overlap between the contents of old and new categories, you may need to examine report results more carefully to obtain valid statistics. For example, if the “Instant Messaging” and “Web-based Chat” categories have been merged into a single “Chat and Instant Messaging” category during the time frame that you are looking at, visits before the merge to sites covered by the “Instant Messaging” and “Web-based Chat” categories are not counted in the total for “Chat and Instant Messaging”. Likewise, visits to instant messaging or Web-based chat sites after the merge would not be included in the totals for the “Instant Messaging” or “Web-based Chat” categories.

## Using The URL Categories Page in Conjunction with Other Reporting Pages

The URL Categories page can be used in conjunction with the [Application Visibility Page, on page 200](#) and the [Users Page, on page 208](#) to investigate a particular user and the types of applications or websites that a particular user is trying to access.

For example, from the [URL Categories Page, on page 205](#) you can generate a high level report for Human Resources which details all the URL categories that are visited by the site. From the same page, you can gather further details in the URL Categories interactive table about the URL category ‘Streaming Media’. By clicking on the Streaming Media category link, you can view the specific URL Categories report page. This page not only displays the top users that are visiting streaming media sites (in the Top Users by Category for Total

Transactions section), but also displays the domains that are visited (in the Domains Matched interactive table) such as YouTube.com or QuickPlay.com.

At this point, you are getting more and more granular information for a particular user. Now, let's say this particular user stands out because of their usage, and you want to find out exactly what they are accessing. From here you can click on the user in the Users interactive table. This action takes you to the [Users Page, on page 208](#), where you can view the user trends for that user, and find out exactly what they have been doing on the web.

If you wanted to go further, you can now get down to web tracking details by clicking on Transactions Completed link in the interactive table. This displays the [Searching for Transactions Processed by Web Proxy Services, on page 231](#) on the Web Tracking page where you can see the actual details about what dates the user accessed the sites, the full URL, the time spent on that URL, etc.

To view another example of how the URL Categories page may be used, see [Example 3: Investigating Top URL Categories Visited, on page 575](#).

## Reporting Misclassified and Uncategorized URLs

You can report misclassified and uncategorized URLs at the following URL:

[https://securityhub.cisco.com/web/submit\\_urls](https://securityhub.cisco.com/web/submit_urls)

Submissions are evaluated for inclusion in subsequent rule updates.

To check the status of submitted URLs, click the **Status on Submitted URLs** tab on this page.

## Users Page

The **Users** report page provides several links that allow you to view web reporting information for individual users.

To view the Users report page, select **Web** from the Product drop-down and choose **Monitoring > Users** from the Reports drop-down. For more information, see [Using the Interactive Report Pages, on page 37](#).

From the **Users** page you can view how long a user, or users, on your system have spent on the internet, on a particular site or URL, and how much bandwidth that user is using.



### Note



The maximum number of users on the Web Security appliance that the Security Management appliance can support is 500.

From the **Users** page, you can view the following information pertaining to the users on your system:

**Table 61: Details on the Users Page**

| Section                     | Description  |
|-----------------------------|--|
| Time Range (drop-down list) | Choose the time range for your report. For more information, see the <a href="#">Choosing a Time Range for Reports, on page 26</a> . |



| Section                         | Description   |
|---------------------------------|---|
| Top Users: Transactions Blocked | <p>You can view the top users, by either IP address or user name, and the number of transactions that have been blocked specific to that user, in graphical format. The user name or IP address can be made unrecognizable for reporting purposes. For more information on how to make user names unrecognizable in for this page or in scheduled reports, see the <a href="#">Enabling Centralized Web Reporting on the Security Management Appliance</a>, on page 165. The default setting is that all user names appear. To hide user names, see <a href="#">Anonymizing User Names in Web Reports</a>, on page 166.</p> <p>To customize the view of the chart, click  on the chart. For more information, see <a href="#">(Web Reports Only) Choosing Which Data to Chart</a>, on page 39.</p> |
| Top Users: Bandwidth Used       | <p>You can view the top users, by either IP address or user name, that are using the most bandwidth on the system, in graphical format.</p> <p>To customize the view of the chart, click  on the chart. For more information, see <a href="#">(Web Reports Only) Choosing Which Data to Chart</a>, on page 39.</p>   |
| Users                           | <p>You can use this interactive table to search for a specific User ID or Client IP address. In the text field at the bottom of the User table, enter the specific User ID or Client IP address and click on Find User ID / Client IP Address. The IP address does not need to be an exact match to return results.</p> <p>You can click on a specific user to find more specific information. For more information, see the <a href="#">User Details Page (Web Reporting)</a>, on page 209</p>   |



**Note** To view user IDs instead of client IP addresses, you must set up your Security Management appliance to obtain user information from an LDAP server.



**Tip** To customize your view of this report, see [Working with Web Security Reports](#), on page 167.

## User Details Page (Web Reporting)

The **User Details** page allows you to see specific information about a user that you have identified in the interactive table on the Users report page.

The User Details page allows you to investigate individual user's activity on your system. This page is particularly useful if you are running user-level investigations and need to find out, for example, what sites your users are visiting, what Malware threats they are encountering, what URL categories they are accessing, and how much time a specific user is spending at these sites.

To display the User Details page for a specific user, click on a specific user from the Users interactive table on the **Users** report page.

From the User Details page, you can view the following information pertaining to an individual user on your system:

**Table 62: Details on the User Details Page**

| Section                            | Description  |
|------------------------------------|--|
| Time Range (drop-down list)        | Choose the time range for your report. For more information, see the <a href="#">Choosing a Time Range for Reports</a> , on page 26.   |
| URL Categories: Total Transactions | <p>You can view the specific URL Categories that a specific user is using, in graphical format.</p> <p>To customize the view of the chart, click <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> on the chart.</p> <p>The set of predefined URL categories is occasionally updated. For more information about the impact of these updates on report results, see <a href="#">URL Category Set Updates and Reports</a> , on page 178.</p>  |
| Trend: Total Transactions          | <p>You can use this trend graph to view all the web transactions of a specific user.</p> <p>To customize the view of the chart, click <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> on the chart.</p> <p>For example, this graph will indicate if there is a large spike in web traffic during certain hours of the day, and when those spikes occur. Using the Time Range drop-down list, you can expand this graph to see a more or less granular span of time that this user was on the web.</p>  |
| URL Categories Matched             | <p>The URL Categories Matched interactive table shows matched categories for both completed and blocked transactions.</p> <p>You can search for a specific URL Category in the text field at the bottom of the table and click <b>Find URL Category</b>. The category does not need to be an exact match.</p> <p>The set of predefined URL categories is occasionally updated. For more information about the impact of these updates on report results, see <a href="#">URL Category Set Updates and Reports</a> , on page 178.</p> |
| Domains Matched                    | <p>The Domains Matched interactive table shows domains or IP addresses that the user has accessed. You can also view the time spent on those categories, and various other information that you have set from the column view.</p> <p>You can search for a specific Domain or IP address in the text field at the bottom of the table and click <b>Find Domain or IP</b>. The domain or IP address does not need to be an exact match.</p>   |

| Section                                      | Description  |
|--|--|
| Applications Matched                         | <p>The Applications Matched interactive table shows applications that a specific user is using. For example, if a user is accessing a site that requires use of a lot of Flash video, you will see the application type in the Application column.</p> <p>You can search for a specific application name in the text field at the bottom of the table and click <b>Find Application</b>. The name of the application does not need to be an exact match.</p> |
| Advanced Malware Protection Threats Detected | <p>The Advanced Malware Protection Threats Detected interactive table shows malware threat files that are detected by the Advanced Malware Protection engine.</p> <p>You can search for data on a specific SHA value of the malware threat file, in the text field at the bottom of the table and click <b>Find malware Threat File SHA 256</b>. The name of the application does not need to be an exact match.</p>   |
| Malware Threats Detected                     | <p>The Malware Threats Detected interactive table shows the top Malware threats that a specific user is triggering.</p> <p>You can search for data on a specific malware threat name in the text field at the bottom of the table and click <b>Find Malware Threat</b>. The name of the Malware Threat does not need to be an exact match.</p>   |
| Policies Matched                             | <p>The Policies Matched interactive table shows the policy groups that applied to this user when accessing the web.</p> <p>You can search for a specific policy name in the text field at the bottom of the table and click <b>Find Policy</b>. The name of the policy does not need to be an exact match.</p>   |



**Note** From Client Malware Risk Details table: The client reports sometimes show a user with an asterisk (\*) at the end of the user name. For example, the Client report might show an entry for both “jsmith” and “jsmith\*”. User names listed with an asterisk (\*) indicate the user name provided by the user, but not confirmed by the authentication server. This happens when the authentication server was not available at the time and the appliance is configured to permit traffic when authentication service is unavailable.

## Web Sites Page

The **Web Sites** report page is an overall aggregation of the activity that is happening on the managed appliances. You can use this report page to monitor high-risk web sites accessed during a specific time range.

To view the Web Sites report page, select **Web** from the Product drop-down and choose **Monitoring > Web Sites** from the Reports drop-down. For more information, see [Using the Interactive Report Pages, on page 37](#).

From the Web Sites page, you can view the following information:

Table 63: Details on the Web Sites Page

| Section                           | Description   |
|-----------------------------------|---|
| Time Range (drop-down list)       | Choose the time range for your report. For more information, see the <a href="#">Choosing a Time Range for Reports</a> , on page 26.  |
| Top Domains: Total Transactions   | <p>You can view the top domains that are being visited on the website in graphical format.</p> <p>To customize the view of the chart, click <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> on the chart. For more information, see <a href="#">(Web Reports Only) Choosing Which Data to Chart</a>, on page 39.</p>  |
| Top Domains: Transactions Blocked | <p>You can view the top domains that triggered a block action to occur per transaction in graphical format.</p> <p>To customize the view of the chart, click <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> on the chart. For more information, see <a href="#">(Web Reports Only) Choosing Which Data to Chart</a>, on page 39.</p> <p>For example, a user went to a certain domain and because of a specific policy that I have in place, this triggered a block action. This domain is listed in this graph as a transaction blocked, and the domain site that triggered the block action is listed.</p>  |
| Domains Matched                   | <p>You can use this interactive table to search for the domains that are that are being visited on the website. You can click on a specific domain to access more granular information. The Proxy Services tab on the Web Tracking page appears and you can see tracking information and why certain domains were blocked.</p> <p>When you click on a specific domain you can see the top users of that domain, the top transactions on that domain, the URL Categories matched and the Malware threats that have been detected.</p> <p>To view an example of how Web Tracking may be used, see <a href="#">Example 2: Tracking a URL</a>, on page 575.</p> |



**Tip** To customize your view of this report, see [Working with Web Security Reports](#), on page 167.

## HTTPS Reports Page

The HTTPS Reports report page is an overall aggregation of the HTTP/HTTPS traffic summary (transactions or bandwidth usage) on the managed appliances.

You can also view the summary of supported ciphers based on either client side connections or server side connections, for individual HTTP/HTTPS web traffic that passes through the managed appliance.

To view the HTTPS Reports report page, select **Web** from the **Product** drop-down and choose **Monitoring > HTTPS Reports** from the **Reports** drop-down. For more information, see [Using the Interactive Report Pages, on page 37](#).

**Table 64: Details on the HTTPS Reports Page**

| Section                     | Description  |
|-----------------------------|--|
| Time Range (drop-down list) | Choose the time range for your report. For more information, see the <a href="#">Choosing a Time Range for Reports</a> , on page 26.   |
| Web Traffic Summary         | <p>You can view the web traffic summary on the appliance in one of the following ways:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Transactions:</b> Select this option from the drop-down list to display the web traffic summary based on the number of HTTP or HTTPS web transactions, in a graphical format and percentage of HTTP or HTTPS web transaction in tabular format.</li> <li>• <b>Bandwidth Usage:</b> Select this option from the drop-down list to display the web traffic summary based on the amount of bandwidth consumed by the HTTP or HTTPS web traffic, in a graphical format and the percentage of HTTP or HTTPS bandwidth usage in tabular format.</li> </ul>                    |
| Trend: Web Traffic          | <p>You can view the trend graph for the web traffic on the appliance based on the required time range in one of the following ways:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Web Traffic Trend:</b> Select this option from the dropdown list to display the cumulative trend for HTTP and HTTPS web traffic based on the transactions or bandwidth usage.</li> <li>• <b>HTTPS Trend:</b> Select this option from the dropdown list to display the trend for HTTPS web traffic based on the transactions or bandwidth usage.</li> <li>• <b>HTTP Trend:</b> Select this option from the dropdown list to display the trend for HTTP web traffic based on the transactions or bandwidth usage.</li> </ul> |
| Ciphers                     | <p>You can view the summary of the ciphers in one of the following ways:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>By Client Side Connections:</b> Select this option from the dropdown list to display the summary of the ciphers used on the client side of the HTTP or HTTPS web traffic in a graphical format.</li> <li>• <b>By Server Side Connections:</b> Select this option from the dropdown list to display the summary of the ciphers used on the server side of the HTTP or HTTPS web traffic in a graphical format.</li> </ul>  |

## Anti-Malware Page

The **Anti-Malware** report page is a security-related reporting page that reflects the results of scanning by your enabled scanning engines (Webroot, Sophos, McAfee, and/or Adaptive Scanning).

To view the Anti-Malware report page, select **Web** from the Product drop-down and choose **Monitoring > Anti-Malware** from the Reports drop-down. For more information, see [Using the Interactive Report Pages, on page 37](#).

You can use this page to help identify and monitor web-based malware threats.



**Note** To view data for malware found by L4 Traffic Monitoring, see [Layer 4 Traffic Monitor Page, on page 202](#)

From the Anti-Malware page, you can view the following information:

**Table 65: Details on the Anti-Malware Page**

| Section                     | Description  |
|-----------------------------|--|
| Time Range (drop-down list) | Choose the time range for your report. For more information, see the <a href="#">Choosing a Time Range for Reports</a> , on page 26.   |
| Top Malware Categories      | <p>You can view the top malware categories that are detected by a given category type, in graphical format. See <a href="#">Malware Category Descriptions, on page 182</a> for more information on valid Malware categories.</p> <p>To customize the view of the chart, click <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> on the chart. For more information, see <a href="#">(Web Reports Only) Choosing Which Data to Chart, on page 39</a>.</p>   |
| Top Malware Threats         | <p>You can view the the top malware threats in graphical format.</p> <p>To customize the view of the chart, click <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> on the chart. For more information, see <a href="#">(Web Reports Only) Choosing Which Data to Chart, on page 39</a>.</p>   |
| Malware Categories          | <p>The Malware Categories interactive table shows detailed information about particular malware categories that are displayed in the Top Malware Categories chart.</p> <p>Clicking on any of the links in the Malware Categories interactive table allows you to view more granular details about individual malware categories and where they are on the network.</p> <p>Exception: an Outbreak Heuristics link in the table lets you view a chart showing when transactions in this category occurred.</p> <p>See <a href="#">Malware Category Descriptions, on page 182</a> for more information on valid Malware categories.</p> |

| Section         | Description  |
|-----------------|--|
| Malware Threats | <p>The Malware Threats interactive table shows detailed information about particular malware threats that are displayed in the Top Malware Threats section.</p> <p>Threats labeled “Outbreak” with a number are threats identified by the Adaptive Scanning feature independently of other scanning engines.</p> |



**Tip** To customize your view of this report, see [Working with Web Security Reports, on page 167](#).

## Malware Category Report

The Malware Category Report page allows you to view detailed information on an individual Malware Category and what it is doing on your network.

To access the Malware Category report page, perform the following:

### Procedure

- Step 1** On the Security Management appliance, choose **Web** from the dropdown list.
- Step 2** Choose **Monitoring > Anti-Malware** page.
- Step 3** In the Malware Categories interactive table, click on a category in the Malware Category column.
- Step 4** To customize your view of this report, see [Working with Web Security Reports, on page 167](#).

## Malware Threat Report

The Malware Threat Report page shows clients at risk for a particular threat, displays a list of potentially infected clients, and links to the Client Detail page. The trend graph at the top of the report shows monitored and blocked transactions for a threat during the specified time range. The table at the bottom shows the actual number of monitored and blocked transactions for a threat during the specified time range.

To view this report, click a category in the Malware Category column of the Anti-Malware report page.

For additional information, click the **Support Portal Malware Details** link below the table.

## Malware Category Descriptions

The Web Security appliance can block the following types of malware:

| Malware Type | Description   |
|--------------|---|
| Adware       | Adware encompasses all software executables and plug-ins that direct users towards products for sale. Some adware applications have separate processes that run concurrently and monitor each other, ensuring that the modifications are permanent. Some variants enable themselves to run each time the machine is started. These programs may also change security settings making it impossible for users to make changes to their browser search options, desktop, and other system settings. |

| Malware Type              | Description   |
|---------------------------|---|
| Browser Helper Object     | A browser helper object is browser plug-in that may perform a variety of functions related to serving advertisements or hijacking user settings.  |
| Commercial System Monitor | A commercial system monitor is a piece of software with system monitor characteristics that can be obtained with a legitimate license through legal means.  |
| Dialer                    | A dialer is a program that utilizes your modem or another type of Internet access to connect you to a phone line or a site that causes you to accrue long distance charges to which you did not provide your full, meaningful, and informed consent.  |
| Generic Spyware           | Spyware is a type of malware installed on computers that collects small pieces of information about users without their knowledge.  |
| Hijacker                  | A hijacker modifies system settings or any unwanted changes to a user's system that may direct them to a website or run a program without a user's full, meaningful, and informed consent.  |
| Other Malware             | This category is used to catch all other malware and suspicious behavior that does not exactly fit in one of the other defined categories.  |
| Outbreak Heuristics       | This category represents malware found by Adaptive Scanning independently of the other anti-malware engines.  |
| Phishing URL              | A phishing URL is displayed in the browser address bar. In some cases, it involves the use of domain names and resembles those of legitimate domains. Phishing is a form of online identity theft that employs both social engineering and technical subterfuge to steal personal identity data and financial account credentials.  |
| PUA                       | Potentially Unwanted Application. A PUA is an application that is not malicious, but which may be considered to be undesirable.   |
| System Monitor            | A system monitor encompasses any software that performs one of the following actions:<br><br>Overtly or covertly records system processes and/or user action.<br><br>Makes those records available for retrieval and review at a later time.  |
| Trojan Downloader         | A trojan downloader is a Trojan that, after installation, contacts a remote host/site and installs packages or affiliates from the remote host. These installations usually occur without the user's knowledge. Additionally, a Trojan Downloader's payload may differ from installation to installation since it obtains downloading instructions from the remote host/site. |
| Trojan Horse              | A trojan horse is a destructive program that masquerades as a benign application. Unlike viruses, Trojan horses do not replicate themselves.  |
| Trojan Phisher            | A trojan phisher may sit on an infected computer waiting for a specific web page to be visited or may scan the infected machine looking for user names and passphrases for bank sites, auction sites, or online payment sites.  |
| Virus                     | A virus is a program or piece of code that is loaded onto your computer without your knowledge and runs against your wishes.  |



| Malware Type | Description   |
|--------------|---|
| Worm         | A worm is program or algorithm that replicates itself over a computer network and usually performs malicious actions. |

## Advanced Malware Protection Page

Advanced Malware Protection protects against zero-day and targeted file-based threats by:

- Obtaining the reputation of known files.
- Analyzing behavior of certain files that are not yet known to the reputation service.
- Evaluating emerging threats as new information becomes available, and notifying you about files that are determined to be threats after they have entered your network.

For more information on the file reputation filtering and file analysis, see the user guide or online help for *AsyncOS for Web Security Appliances*.

To view the Advanced Malware Protection report page, select **Web** from the Product drop-down and choose **Monitoring > Advanced Malware Protection** from the Reports drop-down. For more information, see [Using the Interactive Report Pages, on page 37](#).

The Advanced Malware Protection report page shows the following reporting views:

- [Advanced Malware Protection - AMP Summary, on page 217](#)
- [Advanced Malware Protection - File Analysis, on page 218](#)

### Related Topics

- [Requirements for File Analysis Report Details , on page 184](#)
- [Identifying Files by SHA-256 Hash , on page 186](#)
- [Viewing File Reputation Filtering Data in Other Reports , on page 187](#)
- [About Web Tracking and Advanced Malware Protection Features , on page 242](#)

## Advanced Malware Protection - AMP Summary

The AMP Summary section of the Advanced Malware Protection report page shows file-based threats that were identified by the file reputation service.

To see the users who tried to access each SHA, and the filenames associated with that SHA-256, click a SHA-256 in the table.

You can click on the link in the Malware Threat Files interactive table to view all the instances of the file in Web Tracking that were encountered within the maximum available time range, regardless of the time range selected for the report.

If a file extracted from a compressed or archived file is malicious, only the SHA value of the compressed or archived file is included in the Advanced Malware Protection report.

You can use the AMP Summary section of the Advanced Malware Protection page to view:

- The summary of files that are identified by file reputation service of the Advanced Malware Protection engine, in a graphical format.
- The top malware threat files in a graphical format.
- The top threat files based on the file types in a graphical format.
- A trend graph for all the malware threat files based on the selected time range.
- The Malware Threat Files interactive table that lists the top malware threat files.
- The Files With Retrospective Verdict Change interactive table that lists the files processed by this appliance for which the verdict has changed since the transaction was processed. For more information about this situation, see the documentation for your Web Security appliance.

In the case of multiple verdict changes for a single SHA-256, this report shows only the latest verdict, not the verdict history.

If multiple Web Security appliances have different verdict updates for the same file, the result with the latest time stamp is displayed.

You can click on a SHA-256 link to view web tracking results for all transactions that included this SHA-256 within the maximum available time range, regardless of the time range selected for the report.

## Advanced Malware Protection - File Analysis

The File Analysis section of the Advanced Malware Protection report page shows the time and verdict (or interim verdict) for each file sent for analysis. The appliance checks for analysis results every 30 minutes.

For deployments with an on-premises Cisco AMP Threat Grid Appliance: Files that are included in the allowed list on the Cisco AMP Threat Grid appliance show as "clean." For information about allowed list, see the AMP Threat Grid online help.

Drill down to view detailed analysis results, including the threat characteristics and score for each file.

You can also view additional details about an SHA directly on the server that performed the analysis by searching for the SHA or by clicking the Cisco AMP Threat Grid link at the bottom of the file analysis details page.

To view details on the server that analyzed a file, see [Requirements for File Analysis Report Details](#), on page 184.

If a file extracted from a compressed or archived file is sent for analysis, only the SHA value of the extracted file is included in the File Analysis report.

You can use the File Analysis section of the Advanced Malware Protection report page to view:

- The number of files that are uploaded for file analysis by file analysis service of the Advanced Malware Protection engine.
- A list of files that have completed file analysis requests.
- A list of files that have pending file analysis requests.

## Client Malware Risk Report

The **Client Malware Risk** report page is a security-related reporting page that can be used to monitor client malware risk activity.

To view the Client Malware Risk report page, select **Web** from the Product drop-down and choose **Monitoring > Client Malware Risk** from the Reports drop-down. For more information, see [Using the Interactive Report Pages, on page 37](#).

From the Client Malware Risk report page, a system administrator can see which of their users are encountering the most blocks or warnings. Given the information gathered from this page, the administrator can click on the user link to view what this user doing on the web that makes them run into so many blocks or warnings and setting off more detections than the rest of the users on the network.

Additionally, the Client Malware Risk page lists client IP addresses involved in frequent malware connections, as identified by the L4 Traffic Monitor (L4TM). A computer that connects frequently to malware sites may be infected with malware that is trying to connect to a central command and control server and should be disinfected.

The following table describes the information on the Client Malware Risk page.

**Table 66: Details on Client Malware Risk Page**

| Section  | Description  |
|--|--|
| Time Range (drop-down list)                      | Choose the time range for your report. For more information, see the <a href="#">Choosing a Time Range for Reports, on page 26</a> .   |
| Web Proxy: Top Clients Monitored or Blocked      | <p>You can view the top ten users that have encountered a malware risk, in graphical format.</p> <p>To customize the view of the chart, click <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> on the chart. For more information, see <a href="#">(Web Reports Only) Choosing Which Data to Chart, on page 39</a>.</p>   |
| L4 Traffic Monitor: Malware Connections Detected | <p>You can view the IP addresses of the ten computers in your organization that most frequently connect to malware sites, in graphical format.</p> <p>To customize the view of the chart, click <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> on the chart. For more information, see <a href="#">(Web Reports Only) Choosing Which Data to Chart, on page 39</a>.</p> <p>This chart is the same as the “Top Client IPs” chart on the <a href="#">Layer 4 Traffic Monitor Page, on page 202</a>.</p> |

| Section                                     | Description  |
|---|--|
| Web Proxy: Client Malware Risk              | <p>The Web Proxy: Client Malware Risk interactive table shows detailed information about particular clients that are displayed in the Web Proxy: Top Clients by Malware Risk section.</p> <p>You can click each user in this table to view the User Details page associated with that client. For information about that page, see the <a href="#">User Details Page (Web Reporting)</a>, on page 209.</p> <p>You can click on any of the links in the table to view more granular details about individual users and what activity they are performing that is triggering the malware risk.</p> |
| L4 Traffic Monitor: Clients by Malware Risk | <p>The L4 Traffic Monitor: Clients by Malware Risk interactive table displays IP addresses of computers in your organization that frequently connect to malware sites.</p> <p>This table is the same as the “Client Source IPs” table on the <a href="#">Layer 4 Traffic Monitor Page</a>, on page 202.</p>  |



**Tip** To customize your view of this report, see [Working with Web Security Reports](#), on page 167.

## Web Reputation Filters Page

You can use the **Web Reputation Filters** report page to view the results of your set Web Reputation filters for transactions during a specified time range.

To view the Web Reputation Filters report page, select **Web** from the Product drop-down and choose **Monitoring > Web Reputation Filters** from the Reports drop-down. For more information, see [Using the Interactive Report Pages](#), on page 37.

### What are Web Reputation Filters?

Web Reputation Filters analyze web server behavior and assign a reputation score to a URL to determine the likelihood that it contains URL-based malware. It helps protect against URL-based malware that threatens end-user privacy and sensitive corporate information. The Web Security appliance uses URL reputation scores to identify suspicious activity and stop malware attacks before they occur. You can use Web Reputation Filters with both Access and Decryption Policies.

Web Reputation Filters use statistical data to assess the reliability of Internet domains and score the reputation of URLs. Data such as how long a specific domain has been registered, or where a web site is hosted, or whether a web server is using a dynamic IP address is used to judge the trustworthiness of a given URL.

The web reputation calculation associates a URL with network parameters to determine the probability that malware exists. The aggregate probability that malware exists is then mapped to a Web Reputation Score between -10 and +10, with +10 being the least likely to contain malware.

Example parameters include the following:

- URL categorization data
- Presence of downloadable code


- Presence of long, obfuscated End-User License Agreements (EULAs)
- Global volume and changes in volume
- Network owner information
- History of a URL
- Age of a URL
- Presence on any block lists
- Presence on any allow lists
- URL typos of popular domains
- Domain registrar information
- IP address information

For more information on Web Reputation Filtering, see ‘Web Reputation Filters’ in the *User Guide for AsyncOS for Web Security Appliances*.

From the Web Reputation Filters page, you can view the following information:

**Table 67: Details on Web Reputation Filters Page**

| Section                                     | Description   |
|---|---|
| Time Range (drop-down list)                 | Choose the time range for your report. For more information, see the <a href="#">Choosing a Time Range for Reports</a> , on page 26.  |
| Web Reputation Actions (Trend)              | You can view the total number of web reputation actions against the time specified, in graphical format. From this you can see potential trends over time for web reputation actions.       |
| Web Reputation Actions (Volume)             | You can view the web reputation action volume in percentages by transactions.   |
| Web Reputation Threat Types Blocked by WBRS | You can view the types of threats found in transactions that were blocked by Web Reputation filtering, in graphical format.<br><br><b>Note</b> WBRS cannot always identify the threat type. |

| Section                                     | Description   |
|---|---|
| Threat Types Detected in Other Transactions | <p>You can view the type of threats found in transactions that were not blocked by Web Reputation filtering, in graphical format.</p> <p>To customize the view of the chart, click  on the chart. For more information, see <a href="#">(Web Reports Only) Choosing Which Data to Chart, on page 39</a>.</p> <p>Reasons these threats might not have been blocked include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Not all threats have a score that meets the threshold for blocking. However, other features of the appliance may catch these threats.</li> <li>• Policies might be configured to allow threats to pass through.</li> </ul> <p><b>Note</b> WBRS cannot always identify the threat type.</p> |
| Web Reputation Actions (Breakdown by Score) | If Adaptive Scanning is not enabled, this interactive table displays the Web Reputation scores broken down for each action.   |



**Tip** To customize your view of this report, see [Working with Web Security Reports, on page 167](#).

### Adjusting Web Reputation Settings

Based on your report results, you may want to adjust the configured web reputation settings, for example adjust the threshold scores or enable or disable Adaptive Scanning. For specific information about configuring web reputation settings, see *User Guide for AsyncOS for Cisco Web Security Appliances*.

## About Scheduled and On-Demand Web Reports

Except as noted, you can generate the following types of Web Security reports either as scheduled or on-demand reports:

- Web Reporting Overview—For information on what is included on this page, see the [Web Reporting Overview, on page 172](#).
- Users—For information on what is included on this page, see the [Users Report \(Web\), on page 173](#).
- Web Sites—For information on what is included on this page, see the [Web Sites Report, on page 176](#).
- URL Categories—For information on what is included on this page, see the [URL Categories Report, on page 177](#).
- Top URL Categories — Extended: For information on how to generate a report for Top URL Categories — Extended, see the [Top URL Categories—Extended, on page 225](#).

This report is not available as an On-Demand report.

- Application Visibility—For information on what is included on this page, see the [Application Visibility Report, on page 179](#).
- Top Application Types — Extended: For information on how to generate a report for Top URL Categories — Extended, see the [Top Application Types—Extended, on page 226](#).

This report is not available as an On-Demand report.

- Anti-Malware—For information on what is included on this page, see the [Anti-Malware Report](#) , on page 181.
- Client Malware Risk—For information on what is included on this page, see the [Client Malware Risk Report](#) , on page 188.
- Web Reputation Filters—For information on what is included on this page, see the [Web Reputation Filters Report](#) , on page 189.
- L4 Traffic Monitor—For information on what is included on this page, see the [L4 Traffic Monitor Report](#) , on page 191.
- Mobile Secure Solution—For information on what is included on this page, see the [Reports by User Location](#) , on page 193.
- System Capacity—For information on what is included on this page, see the [System Capacity Page](#) , on page 194.

## Scheduling Web Reports

This section includes the following:

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- [Editing Scheduled Web Reports](#) , on page 224
- [Deleting Scheduled Web Reports](#) , on page 224
- [Additional Extended Web Reports](#) , on page 225



**Note** You can choose to make user names unrecognizable in all reports. For information, see [Anonymizing User Names in Web Reports](#) , on page 166.

You can schedule reports to run on a daily, weekly, or monthly basis. Scheduled reports can be configured to include data for the previous day, previous seven days, previous month, previous calendar day (up to 250), previous calendar month (up to 12). Alternatively, you can include data for a custom number of days (from 2 days to 100 days) or a custom number of months (from 2 months to 12 months).

Regardless of when you run a report, the data is returned from the previous time interval (hour, day, week, or month). For example, if you schedule a daily report to run at 1AM, the report will contain data from the previous day, midnight to midnight (00:00 to 23:59).

You can define as many recipients for reports as you want, including zero recipients. If you do not specify an email recipient, the system will still archive the reports. If you need to send the reports to a large number of addresses, however, you may want to create a mailing list instead of listing the recipients individually.

## Storage of Scheduled Web Reports

The Security Management appliance retains the most recent reports that it generates — up to 30 of the most recent instances of each scheduled report, and up to 1000 total versions for all reports.

Archived reports are deleted automatically. As new reports are added, older reports are removed to keep the number at 1000. The limit of 30 instances applies to each scheduled report with the same name and time range.

Archived reports are stored in the /periodic\_reports directory on the appliance. (See [IP Interfaces and Accessing the Appliance](#) , on page 557 for more information.)

**Related Topics**

- [Viewing and Managing Archived Web Reports, on page 227](#)

## Adding Scheduled Web Reports

**Procedure**

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- Step 1** On the Security Management appliance, choose **Web > Reporting > Scheduled Reports**.
- Step 2** Click **Add Scheduled Report**.
- Step 3** From drop-down menu next to **Type**, choose your report type.
- Step 4** In the **Title** field, type the title of your report.  
To avoid creating multiple reports with the same name, we recommend using a descriptive title.
- Step 5** Choose the time range for the report from the **Time Range** drop-down menu.
- Step 6** Choose the format for the generated report.  
The default format is PDF. Most reports also allow you to save raw data as a CSV file.
- Step 7** From the drop-down list next to **Number of Items**, choose the number of items that you want to be included in the generated report.  
Valid values are from 2 through 20. The default value is 5.
- Step 8** For **Charts**, click the default chart under **Data to display** and choose the data to display in each chart in the report.
- Step 9** From the drop-down list next to **Sort Column**, select the column to sort the data by for this report. This allows you to create a scheduled report of Top 'N' items by any column available in the scheduled report.
- Step 10** From the **Schedule** area, select the radio button next to the day, week, or month for your scheduled report.
- Step 11** In the **Email** text field, type in the email address where the generated report will be sent.  
If you do not specify an email address, the report is archived only.
- Step 12** Click **Submit**.
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## Editing Scheduled Web Reports

To edit reports, go to the **Web > Reporting > Scheduled Reports** page and select the check boxes corresponding to the reports that you want to edit. Modify settings then click **Submit** to submit your changes on the page, then click the **Commit Changes** button to commit your changes on the appliance.

## Deleting Scheduled Web Reports

To delete reports, go to the **Web > Reporting > Scheduled Reports** page and select the check boxes corresponding to the reports that you want to delete. To remove all scheduled reports, select the **All** check box, **Delete** and **Commit** your changes. Note that archived versions of deleted reports are not deleted.



## Additional Extended Web Reports

Two additional reports are available only as Scheduled Reports on the Security Management appliance:

- [Top URL Categories—Extended, on page 225](#)
- [Top Application Types—Extended, on page 226](#)

### Top URL Categories—Extended

The Top URL Categories —Extended report is useful for administrators who want to receive more detailed information than the URL Categories report can provide.

For example, in a typical URL Categories report, you can gather information measuring bandwidth usage by a particular employee at a larger URL Category level. To generate a more detailed report that monitors bandwidth usage for the top ten URLs for each URL Category, or top five users for each URL Category, use the Top URL Categories —Extended report.




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**Note** The maximum number of reports that can be generated using this type of report is 20.

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- Predefined URL category lists are occasionally updated. For more information about the impact of these updates on report results, see [URL Category Set Updates and Reports , on page 178](#).

To generate a Top URL Categories—Extended report, perform the following:

#### Procedure

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- Step 1** On the Security Management appliance, choose **Web > Reporting > Scheduled Reports**.
  - Step 2** Click **Add Scheduled Report**.
  - Step 3** From the drop-down menu next to Type, choose **Top URL categories — Extended**.
  - Step 4** In the **Title** text field, type the title of your URL extended report.
  - Step 5** Choose the time range for the report from the **Time Range** drop-down menu.
  - Step 6** Choose the format for the generated report.  
The default format is PDF.
  - Step 7** From the drop-down list next to **Number of Items**, select the number of URL Categories that you want to be included in the generated report.  
Valid values are from 2 through 20. The default value is 5.
  - Step 8** From the drop-down list next to **Sort Column**, select the column to sort the data by for this report. This allows you to create a scheduled report of Top ‘N’ items by any column available in the scheduled report.
  - Step 9** For **Charts**, click the default chart under **Data to display** and choose the data to display in each chart in the report.
  - Step 10** From the **Schedule** area, select the radio button next to the day, week, or month for your scheduled report.
  - Step 11** In the **Email** text field, type in the email address where the generated report will be sent.
  - Step 12** Click **Submit**.
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## Top Application Types—Extended

To generate a Top Application Type—Extended report, perform the following:

### Procedure

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- Step 1** On the Security Management appliance, choose **Web > Reporting > Scheduled Reports**.
- Step 2** Click **Add Scheduled Report**.
- Step 3** From the drop-down menu next to Type, choose **Top Application Types — Extended**.  
The options on the page will change.
- Step 4** In the **Title** text field, type the title of your report.
- Step 5** Choose the time range for the report from the **Time Range** drop-down menu.
- Step 6** Choose the format for the generated report.  
The default format is PDF.
- Step 7** From the drop-down list next to **Number of Items**, select the number of Application Types that you want to be included in the generated report.  
Valid values are from 2 through 20. The default value is **5**.
- Step 8** From the drop-down list next to **Sort Column**, select the type of column that you want to appear in the table. Choices include: Transactions Completed, Transactions Blocked, Transaction Totals.
- Step 9** For **Charts**, click a default chart under **Data to display** and choose the data to display in each chart in the report.
- Step 10** From the **Schedule** area, select the radio button next to the day, week, or month for your scheduled report.
- Step 11** In the **Email** text field, type in the email address where the generated report will be sent.
- Step 12** Click **Submit**.
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## Generating Web Reports on Demand

Most reports that you can schedule, you can also generate on demand.



**Note** Some reports are available only as Scheduled Reports, not on demand. See [Additional Extended Web Reports, on page 225](#).

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To generate a report on demand, perform the following:

### Procedure

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- Step 1** On the Security Management appliance, choose, **Web > Reporting > Archived Reports**.
- Step 2** Click on **Generate Report Now**.
- Step 3** From the **Report type** section, choose a report type from the drop-down list.

The options on the page may change.

- Step 4** In the Title text field, type the name of the title for the report.  
AsyncOS does not verify the uniqueness of report names. To avoid confusion, do not create multiple reports with the same name.
- Step 5** From the **Time Range to Include** drop-down list, select a time range for the report data.
- Step 6** In the Format section, choose the format of the report.  
Choices include:
- **PDF.** Create a formatted PDF document for delivery, archival, or both. You can view the report as a PDF file immediately by clicking Preview PDF Report.
  - **CSV.** Create an ASCII text file that contains raw data as comma-separated values. Each CSV file may contain up to 100 rows. If a report contains more than one type of table, a separate CSV file is created for each table.
- Step 7** Depending on the options available for the report, choose:
- **Number of rows:** The number of rows of data to display in the table.
  - **Charts:** Which data to display in the chart(s) in the report:
  - Click the default option under Data to display.
  - **Sort Column:** The column to sort by for each table.
- Step 8** From the Delivery Option section, choose the following:
- If you want this report to appear on the Archived Reports page, select the **Archive Report** checkbox.
- Note** Domain-Based Executive Summary reports cannot be archived.
- Check the **Email now to recipients** checkbox to email the report.
  - In the text field, type in the recipient email addresses for the report.
- Step 9** Click **Deliver This Report** to generate the report.
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## Archived Web Reports Page

- [About Scheduled and On-Demand Web Reports, on page 222](#)
- [Generating Web Reports on Demand , on page 226](#)
- [Viewing and Managing Archived Web Reports, on page 227](#)

## Viewing and Managing Archived Web Reports

Use the information in this section to work with reports that are generated as scheduled reports.

### Procedure

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- Step 1** Go to **Web > Reporting > Archived Reports**.
- Step 2** To view a report, click the report names in the Report Title column. The Show drop-down menu filters the types of reports that are listed on the **Archived Reports** page.
- Step 3** To locate a particular report if the list is long, filter the list by choosing a report type from the **Show** menu, or click a column heading to sort by that column.
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### What to do next

#### Related Topics

- [Storage of Scheduled Web Reports](#) , on page 223
- [Adding Scheduled Web Reports](#) , on page 224
- [Generating Web Reports on Demand](#) , on page 226

## Schedule and Archive Web Reports on the New Web Interface

- [Scheduling Web Reports on the New Web Interface](#) , on page 228
- [Archiving Web Reports on the New Web Interface](#) , on page 230

## Scheduling Web Reports on the New Web Interface

This section includes the following:

- [Adding Scheduled Web Reports on the New Web Interface](#) , on page 229
- [Editing Scheduled Web Reports on the New Web Interface](#) , on page 229
- [Deleting Scheduled Web Reports on the New Web Interface](#) , on page 229



**Note** You can choose to make user names unrecognizable in all reports. For information, see [Anonymizing User Names in Web Reports](#) , on page 166.

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You can schedule reports to run on a daily, weekly, or monthly basis. Scheduled reports can be configured to include data for the previous day, previous seven days, previous month, previous calendar day (up to 250), previous calendar month (up to 12). Alternatively, you can include data for a custom number of days (from 2 days to 100 days) or a custom number of months (from 2 months to 12 months).

Regardless of when you run a report, the data is returned from the previous time interval (hour, day, week, or month). For example, if you schedule a daily report to run at 1AM, the report will contain data from the previous day, midnight to midnight (00:00 to 23:59).

You can define as many recipients for reports as you want, including zero recipients. If you do not specify an email recipient, the system will still archive the reports. If you need to send the reports to a large number of addresses, however, you may want to create a mailing list instead of listing the recipients individually.

## Adding Scheduled Web Reports on the New Web Interface

### Procedure

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- Step 1** On the Security Management appliance, choose **Web** from the Product drop-down. For more information, see [Using the Interactive Report Pages, on page 37](#).
- Step 2** Choose **Monitoring > Schedule & Archive**.
- Step 3** In the Scheduled / Archived tab, click the + button.
- Step 4** Select your report type from the **Report Type** drop-down menu.
- Step 5** In the **Report Title** field, enter the title of your report.  
To avoid creating multiple reports with the same name, we recommend using a descriptive title.
- Step 6** Choose the time range for the report from the **Time Range to Include** drop-down menu.
- Step 7** Choose the format for the generated report.  
The default format is PDF.
- Step 8** From the Delivery Options section, choose any one of the following:  
By choosing this, the report will be listed on the Archived Reports page.
- Note** Domain-Based Executive Summary reports cannot be archived.
- To archive the report, select **Only Archive**.
  - To archive and email the report, click **Archive and Email to Recipients**.
  - To email the report, click **Only Email to Recipients**.
- In the **Email IDs** field, enter the recipient email addresses.
- Step 9** From the **Schedule** area, select the radio button next to the day, week, or month for your scheduled report.
- Step 10** Select the language in which the report must be generated from the **Report Language** drop-down list.
- Step 11** Click **Submit**.
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## Editing Scheduled Web Reports on the New Web Interface

To edit reports on the new web interface of your appliance, select **Web** from the Product drop-down and choose **Monitoring > Scheduled & Archive** page. Click on the link corresponding to the Report Title of reports that you want to edit. Modify settings then click **Edit** to submit your changes on the page.

## Deleting Scheduled Web Reports on the New Web Interface

To delete reports on the new web interface of your appliance, select **Web** from the Product drop-down and choose **Monitoring > Scheduled / Archived** page. Select the checkboxes corresponding to the reports that you want to delete and click on the trash can icon.

To remove all scheduled reports, select the check box next to the report title. Note that archived versions of deleted reports are not deleted.

## Archiving Web Reports on the New Web Interface

- [\[New Web Interface\] Generating Web Reports on Demand, on page 230](#)
- [Viewing and Managing Archived Web Reports on the New Web Interface, on page 231](#)

### [New Web Interface] Generating Web Reports on Demand

Most reports that you can schedule, you can also generate on demand.



**Note** Some reports are available only as Scheduled Reports, not on demand. See [Additional Extended Web Reports, on page 225](#).

To generate a report on demand, perform the following:

#### Procedure

- Step 1** On the Security Management appliance, select **Web** from the Product drop-down and choose **Monitoring > Schedule & Archive**.
- Step 2** In the View Archived tab, click on the + button.
- Step 3** From the **Report Type** section, choose a report type from the drop-down list.  
The options on the page may change.
- Step 4** In the **Report Title** section, enter the name of the title for the report.  
AsyncOS does not verify the uniqueness of report names. To avoid confusion, do not create multiple reports with the same name.
- Step 5** From the **Time Range to Include** drop-down list, select a time range for the report data.
- Step 6** In the **Attachment Details** section, choose the format of the report.  
PDF. Create a formatted PDF document for delivery, archival, or both. You can view the report as a PDF file immediately by clicking Preview PDF Report.
- Step 7** From the **Delivery Options** section, choose any one of the following:  
By choosing this, the report will be listed on the Archived Reports page.
  - Note** Domain-Based Executive Summary reports cannot be archived.
    - To archive the report, select **Only to Archive**.
    - To archive and email the report, click **Archive and Email to Recipients**.
    - To email the report, click **Only Email to Recipients**.
 In the **Email IDs** field, enter the recipient email addresses.
- Step 8** Select the language in which the report must be generated from the **Report Language** drop-down list.

- Step 9** Click **Deliver This Report** to generate the report.
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## Viewing and Managing Archived Web Reports on the New Web Interface

Use the information in this section to work with reports that are generated as scheduled reports.

### Procedure

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- Step 1** Login to the new web interface of your appliance.
- Step 2** Choose **Web** from the Product drop-down and select **Monitoring > Schedule & Archive**.
- Step 3** Select the View Archived tab.
- Step 4** To view a report, click the report names in the Report Title column. The Report Type drop-down list filters the types of reports that are listed on the Archived Reports tab.
- Step 5** You can search for a particular report in the search box.
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## Web Tracking

Use the Web Tracking page to search for and view details about individual transactions or patterns of transactions that may be of concern. Depending on the services that your deployment uses, search in relevant tabs:

- [Searching for Transactions Processed by Web Proxy Services](#) , on page 231
- [Searching for Transactions Processed by the L4 Traffic Monitor](#) , on page 235
- [Searching for Transactions Processed by the SOCKS Proxy](#) , on page 236
- [Working with Web Tracking Search Results](#) , on page 241
- [Viewing Transaction Details for Web Tracking Search Results](#) , on page 242

For more information about the distinction between the Web Proxy and the L4 Traffic Monitor, see the “Understanding How the Web Security Appliance Works” section in AsyncOS for Cisco Web Security Appliances User Guide.

### Related Topics

- [About Web Tracking and Upgrades](#) , on page 243

## Searching for Transactions Processed by Web Proxy Services

Use the **Proxy Services** tab on the **Web > Reporting > Web Tracking** page to search web tracking data aggregated from individual security components and acceptable use enforcement components. This data does not include L4 Traffic Monitoring data or transactions processed by the SOCKS Proxy.

You might want to use it to assist the following roles:

- **HR or Legal manager.** Run an investigative report for an employee during a specific time period.

For example, you can use the Proxy Services tab to retrieve information about a specific URL that a user is accessing, what time the user visited that URL, whether that URL is allowed, etc.

- **Network security administrator.** Examine whether the company network is being exposed to malware threats through employees' smartphones.

You can view search results for the transactions recorded (including blocked, monitored, warned, and completed) during a particular time period. You can also filter the data results using several criteria, such as URL category, malware threat, and application.



**Note** The Web Proxy only reports on transactions that include an ACL decision tag other than “OTHER-NONE.”

For an example of Web Tracking usage, see the [Example 1: Investigating a User](#), on page 573.

For an example of how the Proxy Services tab can be used with other web reporting pages, see the [Using The URL Categories Page in Conjunction with Other Reporting Pages](#), on page 178.

### Procedure

- Step 1** On the Security Management appliance, choose **Web > Reporting > Web Tracking**.
- Step 2** Click the **Proxy Services** tab.
- Step 3** To see all search and filtering options, click **Advanced**.
- Step 4** Enter search criteria:

*Table 68: Web Tracking Search Criteria on the Proxy Services Tab*

| Option                   | Description  |
|--------------------------|--|
| Default Search Criteria  |  |
| Time Range               | Choose the time range on which to report. For information on time ranges available on the Security Management appliance, see the <a href="#">Choosing a Time Range for Reports</a> , on page 26.   |
| User/Client IPv4 or IPv6 | Optionally, enter an authentication username as it appears in reports or a client IP address that you want to track. You can also enter an IP range in CIDR format, such as 172.16.0.0/16.<br><br>When you leave this field empty, the search returns results for all users. |
| Website                  | Optionally, enter a website that you want to track. When you leave this field empty, the search returns results for all websites.  |
| Transaction Type         | Choose the type of transactions that you want to track, either All Transactions, Completed, Blocked, Monitored, or Warned.   |
| Advanced Search Criteria |  |



| Option                     | Description   |
|----------------------------|---|
| URL Category               | <p>To filter by a URL category, select <b>Filter by URL Category</b> and type the first letter of a custom or predefined URL category by which to filter. Choose the category from the list that appears . .</p> <p>If the set of URL categories has been updated, some categories may be labeled “Deprecated.” Deprecated categories are no longer being used for new transactions. However, you can still search for recent transactions that occurred while the category was active. For more information about URL category set updates, see <a href="#">URL Category Set Updates and Reports</a> , on page 178.</p> <p>All recent transactions that match the category name are included, regardless of the engine name noted in the drop-down list.</p> |
| Application                | <p>To filter by an application, select <b>Filter by Application</b> and choose an application by which to filter.</p> <p>To filter by an application type, select <b>Filter by Application Type</b> and choose an application type by which to filter.</p>  |
| Policy                     | <p>To filter by a policy group, select <b>Filter by Policy</b> and enter a policy group name by which to filter.</p> <p>Make sure that you have declared the policy on the Web Security appliance.</p>  |
| Malware Threat             | <p>To filter by a particular malware threat, select <b>Filter by Malware Threat</b> and enter a malware threat name by which to filter.</p> <p>To filter by a malware category, select <b>Filter by Malware Category</b> and choose a malware category by which to filter. For descriptions, see <a href="#">Malware Category Descriptions</a>, on page 182.</p>  |
| WBRS                       | <p>In the WBRS section, you can filter by Web-Based Reputation Score and by a particular web reputation threat.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To filter by web reputation score, select <b>Score Range</b> and select the upper and lower values by which to filter. Or, you can filter for websites that have no score by selecting <b>No Score</b>.</li> <li>To filter by web reputation threat, select <b>Filter by Reputation Threat</b> and enter a web reputation threat by which to filter.</li> </ul> <p>For more information on WBRS scores, see the IronPort AsyncOS for Web User Guide.</p>   |
| AnyConnect Secure Mobility | <p>To filter by remote or local access, select <b>Filter by User Location</b> and choose an access type. To include all access types, select <b>Disable Filter</b>.</p> <p>(In previous releases, this option was labeled Mobile User Security.)</p>  |
| Web Appliance              | <p>To filter by a specific Web appliance, click on the radio button next to <b>Filter by Web Appliance</b> and enter the Web appliance name in the text field.</p> <p>If you select <b>Disable Filter</b>, the search includes all Web Security appliances associated with the Security Management appliance.</p>   |

| Option       | Description  |
|--------------|--|
| User Request | To filter by transactions that were actually initiated by the user, select <b>Filter by Web User-Requested Transactions</b> .<br><br><b>Note:</b> When you enable this filter, the search results include “best guess” transactions. |

**Step 5** Click **Search**.

### What to do next

#### Related Topics

- [Displaying More Web Tracking Search Results](#) , on page 241
- [Understanding Web Tracking Search Results](#) , on page 242
- [Viewing Transaction Details for Web Tracking Search Results](#) , on page 242
- [About Web Tracking and Advanced Malware Protection Features](#) , on page 242

## Malware Category Descriptions

The Web Security appliance can block the following types of malware:

| Malware Type              | Description   |
|---------------------------|---|
| Adware                    | Adware encompasses all software executables and plug-ins that direct users towards products for sale. Some adware applications have separate processes that run concurrently and monitor each other, ensuring that the modifications are permanent. Some variants enable themselves to run each time the machine is started. These programs may also change security settings making it impossible for users to make changes to their browser search options, desktop, and other system settings. |
| Browser Helper Object     | A browser helper object is browser plug-in that may perform a variety of functions related to serving advertisements or hijacking user settings.  |
| Commercial System Monitor | A commercial system monitor is a piece of software with system monitor characteristics that can be obtained with a legitimate license through legal means.  |
| Dialer                    | A dialer is a program that utilizes your modem or another type of Internet access to connect you to a phone line or a site that causes you to accrue long distance charges to which you did not provide your full, meaningful, and informed consent.  |
| Generic Spyware           | Spyware is a type of malware installed on computers that collects small pieces of information about users without their knowledge.  |
| Hijacker                  | A hijacker modifies system settings or any unwanted changes to a user’s system that may direct them to a website or run a program without a user’s full, meaningful, and informed consent.  |
| Other Malware             | This category is used to catch all other malware and suspicious behavior that does not exactly fit in one of the other defined categories.  |

| Malware Type        | Description   |
|---------------------|---|
| Outbreak Heuristics | This category represents malware found by Adaptive Scanning independently of the other anti-malware engines.  |
| Phishing URL        | A phishing URL is displayed in the browser address bar. In some cases, it involves the use of domain names and resembles those of legitimate domains. Phishing is a form of online identity theft that employs both social engineering and technical subterfuge to steal personal identity data and financial account credentials.  |
| PUA                 | Potentially Unwanted Application. A PUA is an application that is not malicious, but which may be considered to be undesirable.   |
| System Monitor      | A system monitor encompasses any software that performs one of the following actions:<br><br>Overtly or covertly records system processes and/or user action.<br><br>Makes those records available for retrieval and review at a later time.  |
| Trojan Downloader   | A trojan downloader is a Trojan that, after installation, contacts a remote host/site and installs packages or affiliates from the remote host. These installations usually occur without the user's knowledge. Additionally, a Trojan Downloader's payload may differ from installation to installation since it obtains downloading instructions from the remote host/site. |
| Trojan Horse        | A trojan horse is a destructive program that masquerades as a benign application. Unlike viruses, Trojan horses do not replicate themselves.  |
| Trojan Phisher      | A trojan phisher may sit on an infected computer waiting for a specific web page to be visited or may scan the infected machine looking for user names and passphrases for bank sites, auction sites, or online payment sites.  |
| Virus               | A virus is a program or piece of code that is loaded onto your computer without your knowledge and runs against your wishes.  |
| Worm                | A worm is program or algorithm that replicates itself over a computer network and usually performs malicious actions.   |

## Searching for Transactions Processed by the L4 Traffic Monitor

The L4 Traffic Monitor tab on the **Web > Reporting > Web Tracking** page provides details about connections to malware sites and ports. You can search for connections to malware sites by the following types of information:

- Time range
- IP address of the machine that initiated the transaction (IPv4 or IPv6)
- Domain or IP address of the destination website (IPv4 or IPv6)
- Port
- IP address associated with a computer in your organization
- Connection type
- The Web Security appliance that processed the connection

The first 1000 matching search results are displayed.

To view the hostname at the questionable site or the Web Security appliance that processed the transaction, click the Display Details link in the Destination IP Address column heading.

For more information about how you can use this information, see [L4 Traffic Monitor Report](#), on page 191.

## Searching for Transactions Processed by the SOCKS Proxy

You can search for transactions that meet a variety of criteria, including blocked or completed transactions; IP address of the client machine that initiated the transaction; and destination domain, IP address, or port. You can also filter results by custom URL category, policy matched, and user location (local or remote). IPv4 and IPv6 addresses are supported.

### Procedure

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- Step 1** Choose **Web > Reporting > Web Tracking**.
  - Step 2** Click the **SOCKS Proxy** tab.
  - Step 3** To filter results, click **Advanced**.
  - Step 4** Enter search criteria.
  - Step 5** Click **Search**.
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### What to do next

#### Related Topics

[SOCKS Proxy Report](#), on page 192

## Web Tracking on the New Web Interface

You can use the **Web Tracking Search** page to search and view details about individual transactions or patterns of transactions that may be of concern. Depending on the services that your deployment uses, search in relevant tabs:

- [Searching for Transactions Processed by Web Proxy Services](#), on page 237
- [Searching for Transactions Processed by the L4 Traffic Monitor](#), on page 235
- [Searching for Transactions Processed by the SOCKS Proxy](#), on page 241
- [Working with Web Tracking Search Results](#), on page 241
- [Viewing Transaction Details for Web Tracking Search Results](#), on page 242

For more information about the distinction between the Web Proxy and the Layer4 Traffic Monitor, see the “Understanding How the Web Security Appliance Works” section in *User Guide for AsyncOS for Cisco Web Security Appliances*.

## Searching for Transactions Processed by Web Proxy Services

You can use the **Proxy Services** tab on the **Web Tracking Search** page to search web tracking data aggregated from individual security components and acceptable use enforcement components. This data does not include Layer 4 Traffic Monitoring data or transactions processed by the SOCKS Proxy.

You might want to use it to assist the following roles:

- **HR or Legal manager.** Run an investigative report for an employee during a specific time period.  
For example, you can use the Proxy Services tab to retrieve information about a specific URL that a user is accessing, what time the user visited that URL, whether that URL is allowed, etc.
- **Network security administrator.** Examine whether the company network is being exposed to malware threats through employees' smartphones.

You can view search results for the transactions recorded (including blocked, monitored, warned, and completed) during a particular time period. You can also filter the data results using several criteria, such as URL category, malware threat, and application.



**Note** The Web Proxy only reports on transactions that include an ACL decision tag other than "OTHER-NONE."

For an example of Web Tracking usage, see the [Example 1: Investigating a User](#), on page 573.

For an example of how the Proxy Services tab can be used with other web reporting pages, see the [Using The URL Categories Page in Conjunction with Other Reporting Pages](#), on page 178.

### Procedure

- Step 1** On the Security Management appliance, choose **Web** from the dropdown list..
- Step 2** Choose **Tracking > Proxy Services**.
- Step 3** To see all search and filtering options, click **Advanced**.
- Step 4** Enter search criteria:

*Table 69: Web Tracking Search Criteria on the Proxy Services Tab*

| Option                   | Description  |
|--------------------------|--|
| Default Search Criteria  |  |
| Time Range               | Choose the time range on which to report. For information on time ranges available on the Security Management appliance, see the <a href="#">Choosing a Time Range for Reports</a> , on page 26.   |
| User/Client IPv4 or IPv6 | Optionally, enter an authentication username as it appears in reports or a client IP address that you want to track. You can also enter an IP range in CIDR format, such as 172.16.0.0/16.<br><br>When you leave this field empty, the search returns results for all users. |

| Option                   | Description   |
|--------------------------|---|
| Website                  | Optionally, enter a website that you want to track. When you leave this field empty, the search returns results for all websites.   |
| Transaction Type         | Choose the type of transactions that you want to track, either All Transactions, Completed, Blocked, Monitored, or Warned.  |
| Advanced Search Criteria |   |
| URL Category             | <p>To filter by a URL category, select <b>Filter by URL Category</b> and type the first letter of a custom or predefined URL category by which to filter. Choose the category from the list that appears . .</p> <p>If the set of URL categories has been updated, some categories may be labeled “Deprecated.” Deprecated categories are no longer being used for new transactions. However, you can still search for recent transactions that occurred while the category was active. For more information about URL category set updates, see <a href="#">URL Category Set Updates and Reports</a> , on page 178.</p> <p>All recent transactions that match the category name are included, regardless of the engine name noted in the drop-down list.</p> |
| Application              | <p>To filter by an application, select <b>Filter by Application</b> and choose an application by which to filter.</p> <p>To filter by an application type, select <b>Filter by Application Type</b> and choose an application type by which to filter.</p>  |
| Youtube (YT) Category    | To filter by a specific Youtube category, expand the <b>Youtube Category</b> section and select the Youtube categories that you want to view.   |
| Policy                   | <p>To filter by a policy group, select <b>Filter by Policy</b> and enter a policy group name by which to filter.</p> <p>Make sure that you have declared the policy on the Web Security appliance.</p>  |
| Malware Threat           | <p>To filter by a particular malware threat, select <b>Filter by Malware Threat</b> and enter a malware threat name by which to filter.</p> <p>To filter by a malware category, select <b>Filter by Malware Category</b> and choose a malware category by which to filter. For descriptions, see <a href="#">Malware Category Descriptions</a>, on page 182.</p>  |
| WBRS                     | <p>In the WBRS section, you can filter by Web-Based Reputation Score and by a particular web reputation threat.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To filter by web reputation score, select <b>Score Range</b> and select the upper and lower values by which to filter. Or, you can filter for websites that have no score by selecting <b>No Score</b>.</li> <li>To filter by web reputation threat, select <b>Filter by Reputation Threat</b> and enter a web reputation threat by which to filter.</li> </ul> <p>For more information on WBRS scores, see the IronPort AsyncOS for Web User Guide.</p>   |

| Option                     | Description   |
|----------------------------|---|
| AnyConnect Secure Mobility | To filter by remote or local access, select <b>Filter by User Location</b> and choose an access type. To include all access types, select <b>Disable Filter</b> .<br><br>(In previous releases, this option was labeled Mobile User Security.)  |
| Web Appliance              | To filter by a specific Web appliance, click on the radio button next to <b>Filter by Web Appliance</b> and enter the Web appliance name in the text field.<br><br>If you select <b>Disable Filter</b> , the search includes all Web Security appliances associated with the Security Management appliance. |
| User Request               | To filter by transactions that were actually initiated by the user, select <b>Filter by Web User-Requested Transactions</b> .<br><br><b>Note:</b> When you enable this filter, the search results include “best guess” transactions.  |

## Malware Category Descriptions

The Web Security appliance can block the following types of malware:

| Malware Type              | Description   |
|---------------------------|---|
| Adware                    | Adware encompasses all software executables and plug-ins that direct users towards products for sale. Some adware applications have separate processes that run concurrently and monitor each other, ensuring that the modifications are permanent. Some variants enable themselves to run each time the machine is started. These programs may also change security settings making it impossible for users to make changes to their browser search options, desktop, and other system settings. |
| Browser Helper Object     | A browser helper object is browser plug-in that may perform a variety of functions related to serving advertisements or hijacking user settings.  |
| Commercial System Monitor | A commercial system monitor is a piece of software with system monitor characteristics that can be obtained with a legitimate license through legal means.  |
| Dialer                    | A dialer is a program that utilizes your modem or another type of Internet access to connect you to a phone line or a site that causes you to accrue long distance charges to which you did not provide your full, meaningful, and informed consent.  |
| Generic Spyware           | Spyware is a type of malware installed on computers that collects small pieces of information about users without their knowledge.  |
| Hijacker                  | A hijacker modifies system settings or any unwanted changes to a user’s system that may direct them to a website or run a program without a user’s full, meaningful, and informed consent.  |
| Other Malware             | This category is used to catch all other malware and suspicious behavior that does not exactly fit in one of the other defined categories.  |

| Malware Type        | Description   |
|---------------------|---|
| Outbreak Heuristics | This category represents malware found by Adaptive Scanning independently of the other anti-malware engines.  |
| Phishing URL        | A phishing URL is displayed in the browser address bar. In some cases, it involves the use of domain names and resembles those of legitimate domains. Phishing is a form of online identity theft that employs both social engineering and technical subterfuge to steal personal identity data and financial account credentials.  |
| PUA                 | Potentially Unwanted Application. A PUA is an application that is not malicious, but which may be considered to be undesirable.   |
| System Monitor      | A system monitor encompasses any software that performs one of the following actions:<br><br>Overtly or covertly records system processes and/or user action.<br><br>Makes those records available for retrieval and review at a later time.  |
| Trojan Downloader   | A trojan downloader is a Trojan that, after installation, contacts a remote host/site and installs packages or affiliates from the remote host. These installations usually occur without the user's knowledge. Additionally, a Trojan Downloader's payload may differ from installation to installation since it obtains downloading instructions from the remote host/site. |
| Trojan Horse        | A trojan horse is a destructive program that masquerades as a benign application. Unlike viruses, Trojan horses do not replicate themselves.  |
| Trojan Phisher      | A trojan phisher may sit on an infected computer waiting for a specific web page to be visited or may scan the infected machine looking for user names and passphrases for bank sites, auction sites, or online payment sites.  |
| Virus               | A virus is a program or piece of code that is loaded onto your computer without your knowledge and runs against your wishes.  |
| Worm                | A worm is program or algorithm that replicates itself over a computer network and usually performs malicious actions.   |

## Searching for Transactions Processed by the Layer 4 Traffic Monitor

The Layer 4 Traffic Monitor tab on the **Web Tracking Search** page provides details about connections to malware sites and ports. You can search for connections to malware sites by the following types of information:

- Time range
- IP address of the machine that initiated the transaction (IPv4 or IPv6)
- Domain or IP address of the destination website (IPv4 or IPv6)
- Port
- IP address associated with a computer in your organization
- Connection type



- The Web Security appliance that processed the connection

To view the hostname at the questionable site or the Web Security appliance that processed the transaction, click the Display Details link in the Destination IP Address column heading.

For more information about how you can use this information, see [Layer 4 Traffic Monitor Page, on page 202](#).

## Searching for Transactions Processed by the SOCKS Proxy

You can search for transactions that meet a variety of criteria, including blocked or completed transactions; IP address of the client machine that initiated the transaction; and destination domain, IP address, or port. You can also filter results by custom URL category, policy matched, and user location (local or remote). IPv4 and IPv6 addresses are supported.

### Procedure

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- Step 1** On the Security Management appliance, choose **Web** from the dropdown list..
  - Step 2** Choose **Tracking > SOCKS Proxy**.
  - Step 3** To see all search and filtering options, click **Advanced**.
  - Step 4** Enter search criteria.
  - Step 5** Click **Search**.
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### What to do next

#### Related Topics

[SOCKS Proxy Report , on page 192](#)

## Working with Web Tracking Search Results

- [Displaying More Web Tracking Search Results , on page 241](#)
- [Understanding Web Tracking Search Results , on page 242](#)
- [Viewing Transaction Details for Web Tracking Search Results , on page 242](#)
- [About Web Tracking and Upgrades , on page 243](#)

## Displaying More Web Tracking Search Results

### Procedure

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- Step 1** Be sure to review all pages of returned results.
- Step 2** To display more results per page than the current number displayed, select an option from the **Items Displayed** menu.

**Step 3** If more transactions match your criteria than the maximum number of transactions offered in the Items Displayed menu, you can view the complete set of results by clicking the **Printable Download** link to obtain a CSV file that includes all matching transactions.

This CSV file includes the complete set of raw data, excluding details of related transactions.

## Understanding Web Tracking Search Results

By default, results are sorted by time stamp, with the most recent result at the top.

Search results include:

- The time that the URL was accessed.
- The number of related transactions spawned by the user-initiated transaction, such as images loaded, javascripts run, and secondary sites accessed. The number of related transactions appears in each row below the Display All Details link in the column heading.
- The disposition (The result of the transaction. If applicable, shows the reason the transaction was blocked, monitored, or warned.)

## Viewing Transaction Details for Web Tracking Search Results

| To View                                      | Do This  |
|--|--|
| The full URL for a truncated URL in the list | Note which host Web Security appliance processed the transaction, then check the Accesslog on that appliance.  |
| Details for an individual transaction        | Click a URL in the Website column.   |
| Details for all transactions                 | Click the <b>Display All Details...</b> link in the Website column heading.  |
| A list of up to 500 related transactions     | The number of related transactions appears in parentheses below the “Display Details” link in the column heading in the list of search results.<br><br>Click the <b>Related Transactions</b> link in the Details view for a transaction. |

## About Web Tracking and Advanced Malware Protection Features

When searching for file threat information in Web Tracking, keep the following points in mind:

- To search for malicious files found by the file reputation service, select **Known Malicious and High-Risk Files** for the **Filter by Malware Category** option in the Malware Threat area in the Advanced section in Web Tracking.
- Web Tracking includes only information about file reputation processing and the original file reputation verdicts returned at the time a transaction was processed. For example, if a file was initially found to be clean, then a verdict update found the file to be malicious, only the clean verdict appears in Tracking results.

"Block - AMP" in search results means the transaction was blocked because of the file's reputation verdict.

In Tracking details, the "AMP Threat Score" is the best-effort score that the cloud reputation service provides when it cannot determine a clear verdict for the file. In this situation, the score is between 1 and 100. (Ignore the AMP Threat Score if an AMP Verdict is returned or if the score is zero.) The appliance compares this score to the threshold score (configured on the Security Services > Anti-Malware and Reputation page) to determine what action to take. By default, files with scores between 60 and 100 are considered malicious. Cisco does not recommend changing the default threshold score. The WBR score is the reputation of the site from which the file was downloaded; this score is not related to the file reputation.

- Verdict updates are available only in the AMP Verdict Updates report. The original transaction details in Web Tracking are not updated with verdict changes. To see transactions involving a particular file, click a SHA-256 in the verdict updates report.
- Information about File Analysis, including analysis results and whether or not a file was sent for analysis, are available only in the File Analysis report.

Additional information about an analyzed file may be available from the cloud. To view any available File Analysis information for a file, select **Reporting > File Analysis** and enter the SHA-256 to search for the file, or click the SHA-256 link in Web Tracking details. If the File Analysis service has analyzed the file from any source, you can see the details. Results are displayed only for files that have been analyzed.

If the appliance processed a subsequent instance of a file that was sent for analysis, those instances will appear in Web Tracking search results.

#### Related Topics

- [Identifying Files by SHA-256 Hash](#) , on page 186

## About Web Tracking and Upgrades

New web tracking features may not apply to transactions that occurred before upgrade, because the required data may not have been retained for those transactions. For possible limitations related to web tracking data and upgrades, see the Release Notes for your release.

## Troubleshooting Web Reporting and Tracking

- [Centralized Reporting Is Enabled Properly But Not Working](#) , on page 244
- [Advanced Malware Protection Verdict Updates Report Results Differ](#) , on page 244
- [Issues Viewing File Analysis Report Details](#) , on page 244
- [Expected Data Is Missing from Reporting or Tracking Results](#), on page 245
- [PDF Shows Only a Subset of Web Tracking Data](#) , on page 245
- [Troubleshooting L4 Traffic Monitor Reports](#) , on page 245
- [Exported .CSV file is Different From Web Interface Data](#) , on page 246

See also [Troubleshooting All Reports](#) , on page 33.

## Centralized Reporting Is Enabled Properly But Not Working

### Problem

You have enabled centralized web reporting as directed, but it is not working.

### Solution

If there is no disk space allocated for reporting, centralized web reporting will not work until disk space is allocated. As long as the quota you are setting the Web Reporting and Tracking to is larger than the currently used disk space, you will not lose any Web Reporting and Tracking data. See the [Managing Disk Space](#), on page 494, for more information.

## Advanced Malware Protection Verdict Updates Report Results Differ

### Problem

A Web Security appliance and an Email Security appliance sent the same file for analysis, and the AMP Verdict Updates reports for Web and Email show different verdicts for that file.

### Solution

This situation is temporary. Results will match once all verdict updates have been downloaded. Allow up to 30 minutes for this to occur.

## Issues Viewing File Analysis Report Details

- [File Analysis Report Details Are Not Available](#), on page 244
- [Error When Viewing File Analysis Report Details](#), on page 244

### File Analysis Report Details Are Not Available

#### Problem

File Analysis report details are not available.

#### Solution

See [Requirements for File Analysis Report Details](#), on page 184.

### Error When Viewing File Analysis Report Details

#### Problem

No cloud server configuration is available, error appears when you attempt to view File Analysis report details.

#### Solution

Go to **Management Appliance > Centralized Services > Security Appliances** and add at least one Web Security appliance that has the File Analysis feature enabled.

### Error When Viewing File Analysis Report Details with Private Cloud Cisco AMP Threat Grid Appliance

#### Problem

You see an API key, registration, or activation error when attempting to view File Analysis report details.

**Solution**

If you are using a private cloud (on-premises) Cisco AMP Threat Grid appliance for file analysis, see [\(On-Premises File Analysis\) Activate the File Analysis Account](#) , on page 185.

If your Threat Grid appliance hostname changes, you must repeat the process in the referenced procedure.

## Expected Data Is Missing from Reporting or Tracking Results

**Problem**

Expected data is missing from reporting or tracking results.

**Solution**

Possible causes:

- Make sure you have selected the desired time range.
- For tracking results, be sure you are viewing all matching results. See [Displaying More Web Tracking Search Results](#) , on page 241.
- Data transfer between Web Security appliances and the Cisco Content Security Management appliance may have been interrupted, or data may have been purged. See [Data Availability Page](#), on page 196.
- If an upgrade changes the way information is reported or tracked, transactions that occurred before upgrade may not be represented as expected. To see if your release has this type of change, see the Release Notes for your release at the location specified in [Documentation](#) , on page 577.
- For missing results in Web Proxy Services tracking search results, see [Searching for Transactions Processed by Web Proxy Services](#) , on page 231.
- For unexpected results when filtering by user requested transactions, see the User Request row of the table in [Searching for Transactions Processed by Web Proxy Services](#) , on page 231.

## PDF Shows Only a Subset of Web Tracking Data

**Problem**

PDF shows only some of the data that is visible on the Web Tracking page.

**Solution**

For information about what data is included in and omitted from PDFs and CSV files, see the web tracking information in the table in [Exporting Reporting and Tracking Data](#) , on page 31.

## Troubleshooting L4 Traffic Monitor Reports

If the Web Proxy is configured as a forward proxy and L4 Traffic Monitor is set to monitor all ports, the IP address of the proxy's data port is recorded and displayed as the client IP address in reports. If the Web Proxy is configured as a transparent proxy, enable IP spoofing to correctly record and display the client IP addresses. To do this, see the IronPort AsyncOS for Web User Guide.

**Related Topics**

- [Client Malware Risk Report](#) , on page 188
- [Searching for Transactions Processed by the L4 Traffic Monitor](#) , on page 235

## Exported .CSV file is Different From Web Interface Data

### Problem

Domains Matched data exported to .csv file differs from the data shown in the Web interface.

### Solution

For performance reasons, only the first 300,000 entries are exported as .csv.

## Issues Exporting Web Tracking Search Results

### Problem

Web tracking search results display an “Out of Memory” errors when you simultaneously run multiple large search queries.

### Solution

You can increase the heap size of the memory to 1024 MB or more or reduce the time range of your search criteria as a workaround. Keep in mind that increasing the heap size of the memory can cause memory-related issues.



## CHAPTER 7

# Tracking Messages

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This chapter contains the following sections:

- [Tracking Service Overview, on page 247](#)
- [Setting Up Centralized Message Tracking , on page 248](#)
- [Checking Message Tracking Data Availability , on page 251](#)
- [Searching for Email Messages, on page 251](#)
- [Understanding Tracking Query Results, on page 259](#)
- [Troubleshooting Message Tracking, on page 263](#)

## Tracking Service Overview

The tracking service of the Cisco Content Security Management appliance complements Email Security appliances. With the Security Management appliance, email administrators have a single place to track the status of messages that traverse any of their Email Security appliances.

The Security Management appliance makes it easy to find the status of messages that Email Security appliances process. Email administrators can quickly resolve help desk calls by determining the exact location of a message. With the Security Management appliance, an administrator can determine if a particular message was delivered, found to contain a virus, or placed in a spam quarantine — or if it is located somewhere else in the mail stream.

Instead of having to search through log files using `grep` or similar tools, you can use the flexible tracking interface of the Security Management appliance to locate messages. You can use a variety of search parameters in combination

Tracking queries can include:

- **Time Frame:** Find a message that was sent between specified dates and times.
- **Envelope Information:** Find messages from particular envelope senders or recipients by entering the text strings to match.
- **Subject:** Match a text string in the subject line. Warning: Do not use this type of search in environments where regulations prohibit such tracking.
- **Attachment Name:** You can search for messages based on an attachment name. Messages that contain at least one attachment with the queried name will appear in the search results.

For performance reasons, the names of files within attachments such as OLE objects or archives such as .ZIP files are not tracked.

Some attachments may not be tracked. For performance reasons, scanning of attachment names occurs only as part of other scanning operations, for example message or content filtering, DLP, or disclaimer stamping. Attachment names are available only for messages that pass through body scanning while the attachment is still attached. Some examples when an attachment name will not appear include (but are not limited to):

- if the system only uses content filters, and a message is dropped or its attachment is stripped by anti-spam or anti-virus filters
- if message splintering policies strip the attachment from some messages before body scanning occurs.
- **File SHA256:** Find messages with the SHA-256 value of the message file
- **Cisco Host:** Narrow search criteria to particular Email Security appliances, or search across all managed appliances.
- **Message ID Header and Cisco MID:** Find messages by identifying the SMTP “Message-ID:” header or the Cisco message ID (MID).
- **Sender IP Address/ Domain/ Network Owner:** Search for messages from a particular IP address, domain name or network owner.
- **Message Event:** Find messages that match specified events, such as messages flagged as virus positive, spam positive, or suspected spam, and messages that were delivered, hard bounced, soft bounced, or sent to the Virus Outbreak Quarantine
- **Rejected Connections:** Search for messages from a particular IP address, domain name or network owner of the rejected connections in the search results

## Setting Up Centralized Message Tracking

To set up centralized message tracking, complete the following procedures in order:

1. [Enabling Centralized Email Tracking, on page 248](#)
2. [Configuring Centralized Message Tracking on Email Security Appliances , on page 249](#)
3. [Adding the Centralized Message Tracking Service to Each Managed Email Security Appliance , on page 250](#)

## Enabling Centralized Email Tracking

- [Enabling Centralized Email Tracking on the Legacy Web Interface, on page 249](#)
- [Enabling Centralized Email Tracking on the New Web Interface, on page 249](#)



## Enabling Centralized Email Tracking on the Legacy Web Interface

### Procedure

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- Step 1** Choose **Management Appliance > Centralized Services > Email > Centralized Message Tracking**.
  - Step 2** In the Message Tracking Service section, click **Enable**.
  - Step 3** If you are enabling centralized email tracking for the first time after running the System Setup Wizard, review the end user license agreement, and click **Accept**.
  - Step 4** Submit and commit your changes.
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### What to do next

[Configuring Centralized Message Tracking on Email Security Appliances , on page 249](#)

## Enabling Centralized Email Tracking on the New Web Interface

### Procedure

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- Step 1** On the Security Management appliance, click **Service Status** and hover over the  corresponding to **Message Tracking** card.
  - Step 2** Click **Edit Settings**.
  - Step 3** If you are enabling centralized email tracking for the first time after running the System Setup Wizard, review and accept the license agreement, and click **Proceed**.
  - Step 4** Click the toggle switch to enable Centralized Email Tracking.
  - Step 5** Select the appropriate fields and click **Submit**.
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### What to do next

[Configuring Centralized Message Tracking on Email Security Appliances , on page 249](#)

## Configuring Centralized Message Tracking on Email Security Appliances

### Procedure

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- Step 1** [New Web Interface Only] On the Security Management appliance, click  to load the legacy web interface.
- Step 2** Verify that Message Tracking is configured and working properly on the Email Security appliance.
- Step 3** Go to **Security Services > Message Tracking**.
- Step 4** Click **Edit Settings**.

- Step 5** Select **Centralized Tracking**.
- Step 6** Click **Submit**.
- Step 7** If you want to be able to search for and log the names of email attachments:  
Make sure you have at least one incoming content filter or other body scanning feature configured and enabled on the Email Security appliance. For information about content filters and body scanning, see the documentation or online help for your Email Security appliance.
- Step 8** Submit and commit your changes.
- Step 9** Repeat for each Email Security appliance to manage.
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### What to do next


[Adding the Centralized Message Tracking Service to Each Managed Email Security Appliance](#) , on page 250

## Adding the Centralized Message Tracking Service to Each Managed Email Security Appliance

The steps you follow depend on whether or not you have already added the appliance while configuring another centralized management feature.

### Procedure

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- Step 1** [New Web Interface Only] On the Security Management appliance, click  to load the legacy web interface.
- Step 2** Choose **Management Appliance > Centralized Services > Security Appliances**.
- Step 3** If you have already added the Email Security appliance to the list on this page:
- Click the name of an Email Security appliance.
  - Select the **Centralized Message Tracking** service.
- Step 4** If you have not yet added the Email Security appliance:
- Click Add Email Appliance.
  - In the Appliance Name and IP Address text fields, type the appliance name and the IP address for the Management interface of the Email Security appliance.
- Note** If you enter a DNS name in the IP Address text field, it will be immediately resolved to an IP address when you click **Submit**.
- The Centralized Message Tracking service is pre-selected.
  - Click **Establish Connection**.
  - Enter the user name and passphrase for an administrator account on the appliance to be managed, then click **Establish Connection**.
- Note** You enter the login credentials to pass a public SSH key for file transfers from the Security Management appliance to the remote appliance. The login credentials are not stored on the Security Management appliance.
- Wait for the Success message to appear above the table on the page.
  - Click **Test Connection**.

h) Read test results above the table.

**Step 5** Submit and commit your changes.

**Step 6** Repeat this procedure for each Email Security appliance for which you want to enable Centralized Message Tracking.

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## Managing Access to Sensitive Information


If you will distribute administrative tasks to other people and you want to restrict their access to sensitive information that may appear in email messages that violate Data Loss Prevention (DLP) policies, see [Controlling Access to Sensitive Information in Message Tracking](#), on page 426.

## Checking Message Tracking Data Availability

You can determine the date range that your message tracking data includes, as well as identify any missing intervals in that data.

### Procedure

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**Step 1** [New Web Interface Only] On the Security Management appliance, click  to load the legacy web interface.

**Step 2** Choose **Email > Message Tracking > Message Tracking Data Availability**.

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## Searching for Email Messages



**Note** After upgrading to AsyncOS 13.6.1, the state of the messages that were in quarantine prior to the upgrade does not change.

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- [Searching for Email Messages on the New Web Interface, on page 251](#)
- [Searching for Email Messages on the Legacy Web Interface, on page 254](#)
- [Remediating Messages in Mailboxes, on page 256](#)

## Searching for Email Messages on the New Web Interface

The tracking service of the appliance lets you search for a particular email message or group of messages that match specified criteria, such as the message subject line, date and time range, envelope sender or recipient, or processing event (for example, whether the message was virus positive, spam positive, hard bounced, delivered, and so forth). Message tracking gives you a detailed view of message flow. You can also drill down on particular email messages to see message details, such as the processing events, attachment names, or the envelope and header information.



**Note** Although the tracking component provides detailed information about individual email messages, you cannot use it to read the content of messages.

### Procedure

**Step 1** On the Security Management appliance, choose **Tracking > Search**.

**Step 2** Select **Messages** tab or **Rejected Connections** tab to narrow your search results.

**Note** You can search for rejected connections based on the sender IP address, domain or network owner.

**Step 3** (Optional) Click the **Advanced Search** to display additional search options.

**Step 4** Enter the following search criteria:

**Note** Tracking searches do not support wildcard characters or regular expressions. Tracking searches are not case sensitive.

- [For Messages and Rejected Connections] **Message Received:** Specify a date and time range for the query using “Last Day,” “Last 7 Days,” or “Custom Range.” Use the “Last Day” option to search for messages within the past 24 hours, and use the “Last 7 Days” option to search for messages within the past full seven days, plus the time that has passed on the current day.

If you do not specify a date, the query returns data for all dates. If you specify a time range only, the query returns data for that time range across all available dates. If you specify the current date and 23:59 as the end date and time, the query returns all data for the current date.

Dates and times are converted to GMT format when they are stored in the database. When you view dates and times on an appliance, they are displayed in the local time of the appliance.

Messages appear in the results only after they have been logged on the Email Security appliance and retrieved by the Security Management appliance. Depending on the size of logs and the frequency of polling, there could be a small gap between the time when an email message was sent and when it actually appears in tracking and reporting results.

- **Envelope Sender:** Select Begins With, Is, or Contains, and enter a text string to search for in the envelope sender. You can enter email addresses, user names, or domains. Use the following formats:
  - For email domains: *example.com*, *[203.0.113.15]*, *[ipv6:2001:db8:80:1::5]*
  - For full email addresses: *user@example.com*, *user@[203.0.113.15]* or *user@[ipv6:2001:db8:80:1::5]*.
  - You can enter any character(s). No validation of your entry is performed.
- **Subject:** Select Begins With, Is, Contains, or Is Empty, and enter a text string to search for in the message subject line.
- **Envelope Recipient:** Select Begins With, Is, or Contains, and enter text to search for in the envelope recipient. You can enter email addresses, user names, or domains.

If you use the alias table for alias expansion on your Email Security appliances, the search finds the expanded recipient addresses rather than the original envelope addresses. In all other cases, message tracking queries find the original envelope recipient addresses.

Otherwise, valid search criteria for Envelope Recipient are the same as those for Envelope Sender.

You can enter any character(s). No validation of your entry is performed.

- **Attachment Name:** Select Begins With, Is, or Contains, and enter an ASCII or Unicode text string for one Attachment Name to find. Leading and trailing spaces are not stripped from the text you enter.
- **Reply-To:** Select Begins With, Is, or Contains, and enter a text string to search for messages based on the Reply-To header of the message.
- **File SHA256:** Enter a File SHA-256 value of the message.

For more information about identifying files based on SHA-256 hash, see [Identifying Files by SHA-256 Hash](#), on page 83.

- **Cisco Host:** Select All Host to search across all email security appliances or select the required email security appliance from the drop-down menu.
- **Message ID Header and Cisco MID:** Enter a text string for the message ID header, the Cisco IronPort message ID (MID), or both.
- [For Messages and Rejected Connections] **Sender IP Address/ Domain/ Network Owner:** Enter a sender IP address, domain or network owner details.
  - An IPv4 address must be 4 numbers separated by a period. Each number must be a value from 0 to 255. (Example: 203.0.113.15).
  - An IPv6 address consists of 8 sets of 16-bit hexadecimal values separated by colons.

You can use zero compression in one location, such as 2001:db8:80:1::5.
- **Message Event:** Select the events to track. Options are Virus Positive, Spam Positive, Suspect Spam, contained malicious URLs, contained URL in specified category, DLP Violations (you can enter the name of a DLP policy and select violation severities or action taken), DMARC violations, Delivered, Advanced Malware Protection Positive (for malware found in an attachment), Hard Bounced, Soft Bounced, currently in a policy, virus, or outbreak quarantine, caught by message filters or content filters, and Quarantined as Spam. Unlike most conditions that you add to a tracking query, events are added with an “OR” operator. Selecting multiple events expands the search.

You do not need to complete every field. Except for the Message Event options, the query is an “AND” search. The query returns messages that match the “AND” conditions specified in the search fields. For example, if you specify text strings for the envelope recipient and the subject line parameters, the query returns only messages that match both the specified envelope recipient and the subject line.

**Note** In the new web interface, to perform a partial URL search, you need to add "\*" before and after the search string to retrieve the results.

**Step 5** Click **Search**.

Each row corresponds to an email message. Scroll down to load more messages in the view.

If necessary, you can refine your search by entering new search criteria, and run the query again. Alternatively, you can refine the search by narrowing the result set, as described in the following section.

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#### What to do next

- [Narrowing the Result Set, on page 257](#)
- [About Message Tracking and Advanced Malware Protection Features , on page 258](#)
- [Understanding Tracking Query Results, on page 259](#)

## Searching for Email Messages on the Legacy Web Interface

The Security Management appliance's tracking service lets you search for a particular email message or group of messages that match specified criteria, such as the message subject line, date and time range, envelope sender or recipient, or processing event (for example, whether the message was virus positive, spam positive, hard bounced, delivered, and so forth). Message tracking gives you a detailed view of message flow. You can also drill down on particular email messages to see message details, such as the processing events, attachment names, or the envelope and header information.




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**Note** Although the tracking component provides detailed information about individual email messages, you cannot use it to read the content of messages.

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#### Procedure

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- Step 1** Choose **Email > Message Tracking > Message Tracking**.
- Step 2** (Optional) Click the **Advanced** link to display more search options.
- Step 3** Enter search criteria:

**Note** Tracking searches do not support wildcard characters or regular expressions. Tracking searches are not case sensitive.

- **Envelope Sender:** Select **Begins With**, **Is**, or **Contains**, and enter a text string to search for in the envelope sender. You can enter email addresses, user names, or domains. Use the following formats:
  - For email domains: example.com, [203.0.113.15], [ipv6:2001:db8:80:1::5]
  - For full email addresses: user@example.com, user@[203.0.113.15] or user@[ipv6:2001:db8:80:1::5].
  - You can enter any character(s). No validation of your entry is performed.
- **Envelope Recipient:** Select **Begins With**, **Is**, or **Contains**, and enter text to search for in the envelope recipient. You can enter email addresses, user names, or domains.

If you use the alias table for alias expansion on your Email Security appliances, the search finds the expanded recipient addresses rather than the original envelope addresses. In all other cases, message tracking queries find the original envelope recipient addresses.

Otherwise, valid search criteria for Envelope Recipient are the same as those for Envelope Sender.

You can enter any character(s). No validation of your entry is performed.

- **Subject:** Select Begins With, Is, Contains, or Is Empty, and enter a text string to search for in the message subject line.
- **Message Received:** Specify a date and time range for the query using “Last Day,” “Last 7 Days,” or “Custom Range.” Use the “Last Day” option to search for messages within the past 24 hours, and use the “Last 7 Days” option to search for messages within the past full seven days, plus the time that has passed on the current day.

If you do not specify a date, the query returns data for all dates. If you specify a time range only, the query returns data for that time range across all available dates. If you specify the current date and 23:59 as the end date and time, the query returns all data for the current date.

Dates and times are converted to GMT format when they are stored in the database. When you view dates and times on an appliance, they are displayed in the local time of the appliance.

Messages appear in the results only after they have been logged on the Email Security appliance and retrieved by the Security Management appliance. Depending on the size of logs and the frequency of polling, there could be a small gap between the time when an email message was sent and when it actually appears in tracking and reporting results.

- **Sender IP Address:** Enter a sender IP address and select whether to search messages or to search rejected connections only.
  - An IPv4 address must be 4 numbers separated by a period. Each number must be a value from 0 to 255. (Example: 203.0.113.15).
  - An IPv6 address consists of 8 sets of 16-bit hexadecimal values separated by colons. You can use zero compression in one location, such as 2001:db8:80:1::5.
- **Message Event:** Select the events to track. Options are Virus Positive, Spam Positive, Suspect Spam, contained malicious URLs, contained URL in specified category, DLP Violations (you can enter the name of a DLP policy and select violation severities or action taken), DMARC violations, Delivered, Advanced Malware Protection Positive (for malware found in an attachment), Hard Bounced, Soft Bounced, currently in a policy, virus, or outbreak quarantine, caught by message filters or content filters, Macro File Types Detected, Geolocation, Low Risk and Quarantined as Spam. Unlike most conditions that you add to a tracking query, events are added with an “OR” operator. Selecting multiple events expands the search.
- **Message ID Header and Cisco IronPort MID:** Enter a text string for the message ID header, the Cisco IronPort message ID (MID), or both.
- **Query Settings:** From the drop-down menu, select how long you want the query to run before it times out. Options are “1 minute,” “2 minutes,” “5 minutes,” “10 minutes,” and “No time limit.” Also, select the maximum number of results you want the query to return (up to 1000).
- **Attachment name:** Select Begins With, Is, or Contains, and enter an ASCII or Unicode text string for one Attachment Name to find. Leading and trailing spaces are not stripped from the text you enter.

You do not need to complete every field. Except for the Message Event options, the query is an “AND” search. The query returns messages that match the “AND” conditions specified in the search fields. For example, if you specify text strings for the envelope recipient and the subject line parameters, the query returns only messages that match both the specified envelope recipient and the subject line.

#### **Step 4** Click **Search**.

The query results appear at the bottom of the page. Each row corresponds to an email message.

Your search criteria are highlighted in each row.

If the number of returned rows is greater than the value specified in the “Items per page” field, the results appear on multiple pages. To navigate through the pages, click the page numbers at the top or bottom of the list.

If necessary, refine the search by entering new search criteria, and run the query again. Alternatively, you can refine the search by narrowing the result set, as described in the following section.

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#### What to do next

- [Narrowing the Result Set, on page 257](#)
- [About Message Tracking and Advanced Malware Protection Features , on page 258](#)
- [Understanding Tracking Query Results, on page 259](#)

## Remediating Messages in Mailboxes

Cisco Content Security Management appliance provides the capability to remediate the malicious messages that are already delivered to the user mailbox. You can configure your appliance to remediate the messages by using the Message Tracking filter.

You can perform remedial actions manually on messages that are already delivered to the user mailbox. For example, an administrator monitoring the incoming messages can perform remedial actions on messages in the user mailbox using the Message Tracking filter.

You can also use the Message Tracking page to search and remediate the messages that are delivered to the user mailbox. The Message Tracking page is a unified place to search for all messages delivered to the mailboxes. From the search result, you can choose the messages you want to remediate and apply the action you want to perform on the messages.

#### Search and Remediate Messages Workflow

1. Message reaches the appliance and is delivered to the recipient.
2. The user searches for the message delivered to the recipient using the Message Tracking filter.
3. The user selects the message to be remediated from the recipient's mailbox and applies the remedial action on the message.

## Search and Remediate Actions on Messages in the Mailboxes

#### Before you begin

- Make sure that you have enabled mailbox remediation and configured the account settings on Cisco Email Security Gateway.
- Enable Message Tracking on your appliance. See [Setting Up Centralized Message Tracking , on page 248](#).
- If you are using the Centralized Message Tracking service, make sure that you have enabled the trailblazer port and AsyncOS API HTTP port on the managed Cisco Email Security Gateway and the Cisco Content Security Management appliance can access the trailblazer port. If the trailblazer port is disabled, ensure



that the Cisco Content Security Management appliance can access the AsyncOS API HTTP(S) port on the managed Cisco Email Security Gateway.

- If the managed Cisco Email Security appliance is using a certificate whose Certificate Authority does not exist in the Cisco Content Security Management appliance trust store, the server certificate validation on the Content Security Management appliance fails. To allow communication, add the Certificate Authority of the signed certificate used by the Cisco Email Security appliance to the Cisco Content Security Management appliance. To add the Certificate Authority, use `certconfig > CERTAUTHORITY` sub command in the CLI.

**CAUTION:** If you want to disable the server certificate validation on the Content Security Management appliance, use the `esaapiconfig` command in the CLI. Cisco does not recommend you to disable the certificate validation for security reasons.

### Procedure

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- Step 1** On the Security Management appliance, click on the **Tracking** tab on the new web interface of the appliance.
- Step 2** Click the **Messages** tab to narrow your search results. For more information, see [Searching for Email Messages on the New Web Interface, on page 251](#).
- Step 3** Select the messages you want to remediate. You can select a maximum of 1000 messages at a time. You can remediate the messages that are only in the delivered state.
- Step 4** Click **Remediate**.
- Step 5** Enter the following details:
- Enter a batch name for the remediation.
  - Select anyone of the following remediation action:
    - Delete the messages. Select this option to permanently delete the messages from the end user's mailbox.
    - Forward to an email address. Select this option to forward the messages to a specified user, for example, an email administrator.
    - Forward to an email address and delete the messages. Select this option to forward the messages to a specified user, for example, an email administrator and permanently delete that messages from the end user's mailbox.
- Step 6** Click **Apply**.
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## Narrowing the Result Set

After you run a query, you might find that the result set includes more information than you need. Instead of creating a new query, narrow the result set by clicking a value within a row in the list of results. Clicking a value adds the parameter value as a condition in the search. For example, if the query results include messages from multiple dates, click a particular date within a row to show only messages that were received on that date.

## Procedure

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- Step 1** Float the cursor over the value that you want to add as a condition. The value is highlighted in yellow.
- Use the following parameter values to refine the search:
- Date and time
  - Message ID (MID)
  - Host (the Email Security appliance)
  - Sender
  - Recipient
  - The subject line of the message, or starting words of the subject
- Step 2** [New Web Interface Only] In the Message Tracking search criteria, click **Modify**.
- Use the following parameter values to refine the search:
- Date and time
  - Message ID (MID)
  - Cisco Host (the Email Security appliance)
  - Sender
  - Recipient
  - The subject line of the message, or starting words of the subject
  - Message Event
  - Additional Details (Message Last State, SBRS, Sender IP, and Group)
- Step 3** Click the value to refine the search.
- The Results section displays the messages that match the original query parameters *and* the new condition that you added.
- Step 4** If necessary, click additional values in the results to further refine the search.
- Note** To remove query conditions, click **Clear** and run a new tracking query.
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## About Message Tracking and Advanced Malware Protection Features

When searching for file threat information in Message Tracking, keep the following points in mind:

- To search for malicious files found by the file reputation service, select **Advanced Malware Protection Positive** for the Message Event option in the Advanced section in Message Tracking.
- Message Tracking includes only information about file reputation processing and the original file reputation verdicts returned at the time a message was processed. For example, if a file was initially found to be clean, then a verdict update found the file to be malicious, only the clean verdict appears in Tracking results.

In Message Tracking details, the Processing Details section shows:

- The SHA-256 of each attachment in the message, and
- The final Advanced Malware Protection verdict for the message as a whole, and
- Any attachments which were found to contain malware.

No information is provided for clean or unscannable attachments.

- Verdict updates are available only in the AMP Verdict Updates report. The original message details in Message Tracking are not updated with verdict changes. To see messages that have a particular attachment, click a SHA-256 in the verdict updates report.
- Information about File Analysis, including analysis results and whether or not a file was sent for analysis, are available only in the File Analysis report.

Additional information about an analyzed file may be available from the cloud. To view any available File Analysis information for a file, select **Monitor > File Analysis** and enter the SHA-256 to search for the file. If the File Analysis service has analyzed the file from any source, you can see the details. Results are displayed only for files that have been analyzed.

If the appliance processed a subsequent instance of a file that was sent for analysis, those instances will appear in Message Tracking search results.

## Understanding Tracking Query Results

If results are not what you expected, see [Troubleshooting Message Tracking, on page 263](#).

Tracking query results list all of the messages that match the criteria specified in the tracking query. Except for the Message Event options, the query conditions are added with an “AND” operator. The messages in the result set must satisfy all of the “AND” conditions. For example, if you specify that the envelope sender begins with J and you specify that the subject begins with T , the query returns a message only if both conditions are true for that message.

To view detailed information about a message, click the **More Details** link in the new web interface or **Show Details** link in the legacy web interface, for that message. For more information, see the [Message Details, on page 260](#).

**Note**

- Messages with 50 or more recipients will not appear in tracking query results. This issue will be resolved in a future release.
- [New Web Interface Only] You can scroll down to display the search results when you specify your query. More results are displayed in the view as you scroll down.
- You can export the search results to a .csv file using the **Export** link above the search results section.  
You can choose to display up to 1000 search results when you specify your query. To view up to 50,000 messages that match your criteria, click the **Export All** link above the search results section and open the resulting .csv file in another application.
- If you clicked a link in a report page to view message details in Message Tracking, and the results are unexpected, this can occur if reporting and tracking were not both simultaneously and continuously enabled during the time period you are reviewing.
- For information about printing or exporting message tracking search results, see [Exporting Reporting and Tracking Data](#) , on page 31.

**Related Topics**

[Message Details](#), on page 260

## Message Details

To view detailed information about a particular email message, including the message header information and processing details, click **More Details** link for any item in the search results list. A new window opens with the message details.

The message details include the following sections:

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- [Envelope and Header Summary](#), on page 261
- [Sending Host Summary](#), on page 262
- [Processing Details](#), on page 262

## Verdict Chart and Last State Verdicts

A Verdict Chart displays information of the various possible verdicts triggered by each engine of the email security appliance.

**Note**

Verdict charts for AsyncOS prior to 12.0 will not be displayed and last state verdicts is displayed as "Last State Not Available".

The following table shows the various verdicts of each engine:

Table 70: Verdict Charts

| Connection Behavior | Message Filter | Anti-Spam      | Anti-Virus    | AMP           | Graymail      | Content Filter | Outbreak Filter | DLP           |
|---------------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|-----------------|---------------|
| Not Applicable      | Not Evaluated  | Not Evaluated  | Not Evaluated | Not Evaluated | Not Evaluated | Not Evaluated  | Not Evaluated   | Not Evaluated |
| Accepted            | Match          | Negative       | Negative      | Clean         | Negative      | Match          | Match           | No Trigger    |
| Relayed             | No Match       | Suspect        | Repaired      | FA            | Positive      | No Match       | No Match        | Violation     |
|                     |                | Bulk Mail      | Encrypted     | Pending       |               |                |                 | No Violation  |
|                     |                | Social Mail    | Unscannable   | Unknown       |               |                |                 | No Violation  |
|                     |                | Marketing Mail | Positive      | Skipped       |               |                |                 |               |
|                     |                |                |               | Malicious     |               |                |                 |               |
|                     |                |                |               | Unscannable   |               |                |                 |               |
|                     |                |                |               | Low Risk      |               |                |                 |               |

The Last State verdict of the message determines the final verdict that is triggered after all the possible verdicts of each of the engine in your appliance.

Following are some of the last state verdicts:

- **Delivered:** When a message is delivered.
- **Dropped:** When a message is dropped.
- **Aborted:** When a message is aborted. (Example: Due to Mail Policy restrictions)
- **Bounced:** When a message is bounced back.
- **Splintered:** When the MID of a message is split into multiple MIDs having multiple final states.
- **Quarantined:** When a message is quarantined by engines.
- **Queued:** When a message is queued for delivery either to end recipient or to an off-box Spam quarantine or Centralized Policy, Virus or Outbreak quarantine.
- **Processing:** When a message is not completely processed by all the engines; or when a message is waiting in a queue of a particular engine.
- **Last State Not Available:** When last state of message cannot be retrieved. (Example: When message is still being processed by the engine and has not reached any final state.

## Envelope and Header Summary

This section displays information from the message envelope and header, such as the envelope sender and recipients. It includes the following information:

**Received Time:** Time that the Email Security appliance received the message.

**MID:** Message ID.

**Subject:** Subject line of the message.

The subject line in the tracking results may have the value “(No Subject)” if the message does not have a subject or if the Email Security appliances are not configured to record the subject lines in log files.

**Envelope Sender:** Address of the sender in the SMTP envelope.

**Envelope Recipients:** Addresses of the recipients in the SMTP envelope.

**Message ID Header:** “Message-ID:” header that uniquely identifies each email message. It is inserted in the message when the message is first created. The “Message-ID:” header can be useful when you are searching for a particular message.

**Cisco Host:** Email Security appliance that processed the message.

**SMTP Auth User ID:** SMTP authenticated user name of the sender, if the sender used SMTP authentication to send the email. Otherwise, the value is “N/A.”

**Attachments:** The names of files attached to the message.

**Sender Group:** The sender group that received the message.

**Message Size:** The size of the message.

**Policy Match (Incoming or Outgoing):** The policy that received the message.




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**Note** If the engine is not able to fetch the details, the value is displayed as “N/A”.

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## Sending Host Summary

**Reverse DNS Hostname:** Hostname of the sending host, as verified by reverse DNS (PTR) lookup.

**IP Address:** IP address of the sending host.

**SBRS Score:** (SenderBase Reputation Score). The range is from 10 (likely a trustworthy sender) to -10 (apparent spammer). A score of “None” indicates that there was no information about this host at the time the message was processed.

## Processing Details

This section displays various logged status events during the processing of the message.

Entries include information about mail policy processing, such as anti-spam and anti-virus scanning, and other events such as message splitting.

If the message was delivered, the details of the delivery appear here. For example, a message may have been delivered and a copy kept in quarantine.

The last recorded event is highlighted in the processing details.

### Summary Tab

This tab displays the summary logs of all the events during the processing of message.

### DLP Matched Content Tab

This tab displays content that violates Data Loss Prevention (DLP) policies.

Because this content typically includes sensitive information, such as corporate confidential information or personal information including credit card numbers and health records, you may want to disable access to

this content for users who have access, but not Administrator-level access, to the Security Management appliance. See [Controlling Access to Sensitive Information in Message Tracking](#) , on page 426.

### URL Details Tab

This tab displays only for messages caught by URL Reputation and URL Category content filters and by outbreak filters not message filters.

This tab displays the following information:

- The reputation score or category associated with the URL
- The action performed on the URL (rewrite, defang, or redirect)
- If a message contains multiple URLs, which URL has triggered the filter action.

You can see this tab only if you have configured your Email Security appliance to display this information. See *User Guide for AsyncOS for Cisco Email Security Appliances* .

To control access to this tab, see [Controlling Access to Sensitive Information in Message Tracking](#) , on page 426

### SMTP Log Tab

This section displays a log of messages when the sender of the email fails SMTP authentication.

### AMP Log Tab

This section displays a log of messages caught by the Advanced Malware Protection file reputation and file analysis service.

## Troubleshooting Message Tracking

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- [Attachments Do Not Appear in Search Results](#) , on page 263

### Expected Messages Are Missing from Search Results

#### Problem

Search results did not include messages that should have met the criteria.

#### Solution

- Results for many searches, especially Message Event searches, depend on your appliance configuration. For example, if you search for a URL Category for which you have not filtered, no results will be found, even if a message contains a URL in that category. Verify that you have configured the Email Security appliance properly to achieve the behavior that you expected. For example, check your mail policies, content and message filters, and quarantine settings.
- See [Checking Message Tracking Data Availability](#) , on page 251.

### Attachments Do Not Appear in Search Results

#### Problem

Attachment names are not found and displayed in search results.

**Solution**

At least one incoming content filter or other body scanning feature configured and enabled on the ESA. See configuration requirements at [Enabling Centralized Email Tracking on the Legacy Web Interface, on page 249](#) and limitations for attachment name searches in [Tracking Service Overview](#).





## CHAPTER 8

# Spam Quarantine

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## Overview of the Spam Quarantine

The Spam Quarantine (also known as ISQ) and End-User Quarantine (also known as EUQ) provides a safeguard mechanism for organizations that are concerned about “false positives” — that is, legitimate email messages that the appliance has deemed to be spam. When the appliance determines that a message is spam or suspected spam, you may want to let the recipient or an administrator review the message before delivering or deleting it. The spam quarantine stores messages for this purpose.

Administrative users of the Email Security appliance can view all messages in a spam quarantine. End users, usually the message recipients, can view their own quarantined messages in a slightly different web interface.

The spam quarantine is separate from policy, virus, and outbreak quarantines.

### Related Topics

- [Centralized Policy, Virus, and Outbreak Quarantines](#), on page 299

## Local Versus External Spam Quarantine

A local spam quarantine stores spam and suspect spam on the Email Security appliance. An external spam quarantine can store these messages on a separate Cisco Content Security Management appliance.

Consider using an external spam quarantine if:

- You want a centralized location to store and manage spam from multiple Email Security appliances.
- You want to store more spam than the Email Security appliance can hold.
- You want to regularly back up the spam quarantine and its messages.

## Setting Up the Centralized Spam Quarantine

### Procedure

|               | Command or Action  | Purpose   |
|---------------|--|---|
| <b>Step 1</b> | On the Security Management appliance, enable the centralized spam quarantine service.                                      | <a href="#">Enabling and Configuring Spam Quarantine, on page 266</a>   |
| <b>Step 2</b> | On the Security Management appliance, specify the Email Security appliances to include in the centralized spam quarantine. | <a href="#">Adding the Centralized Spam Quarantine Service to Each Managed Email Security Appliance , on page 270</a>   |
| <b>Step 3</b> | Set up the Security Management appliance for sending notifications and released spam.                                      | <a href="#">Configuring an Outbound IP Interface on the Security Management Appliance , on page 271</a>   |
| <b>Step 4</b> | On the Security Management appliance, configure the spam quarantine browser interface.                                     | <a href="#">Configuring the IP Interface for Browser Access to the Spam Quarantine , on page 272</a>  |
| <b>Step 5</b> | Ensure that the Email Security appliance is configured to send mail to the spam quarantine.                                | For more information about configuring anti-spam and mail policies, see the “Anti-Spam” section of the <i>User Guide for AsyncOS for Email Security Appliances</i> .  |
| <b>Step 6</b> | On the Email Security appliances, enable and configure the external spam quarantine.                                       | For more information, see <i>User Guide for AsyncOS for Email Security Appliances</i> .   |
| <b>Step 7</b> | On the Email Security appliances, disable the local quarantine.  | For information about disabling the local spam quarantine to activate the external spam quarantine, see <i>User Guide for AsyncOS for Email Security Appliances</i> . |

## Enabling and Configuring Spam Quarantine

- [Enabling and Configuring the Spam Quarantine on the Legacy Web Interface , on page 266](#)
- [Enabling and Configuring Spam Quarantine on the New Web Interface](#)

### Enabling and Configuring the Spam Quarantine on the Legacy Web Interface

#### Procedure

- Step 1** Select **Management Appliance > Centralized Services > Spam Quarantine**.

**Step 2** If you are enabling the spam quarantine for the first time after running the System Setup Wizard:

- a) Click **Enable**.
- b) Review the end user license agreement, then click **Accept**.

**Step 3** If you are editing spam quarantine settings, click **Edit Settings**.

**Step 4** Specify options:

| Option                                     | Description   |
|--|---|
| Quarantine IP Interface<br>Quarantine Port | <p>By default, the spam quarantine uses the Management interface and port 6025. The IP interface is the interface on the Security Management appliance that is configured to listen for incoming mail. The quarantine port is the port number that the sending appliances use in their external quarantine settings.</p> <p>If your Email Security appliances are not on the same network as your Security Management appliance, then you must use the Management interface.</p>  |
| Deliver Messages Via                       | <p>All outgoing quarantine-related email (such as spam notifications and messages released from the spam quarantine) must be delivered via another appliance or server that is configured to send messages.</p> <p>You can route these messages through an SMTP or groupware server, or you can specify the outbound listener interface of an Email Security appliance (typically the Data 2 interface).</p> <p>The alternate address is used for load balancing and failover.</p> <p>If you have multiple Email Security appliances, you can use the outbound listener interface of any managed Email Security appliances for the primary and alternate addresses. Both must use the same interface (either Data 1 or Data 2) as the outbound listener.</p> <p>Read instructions on the screen for additional caveats about these addresses.</p> |
| Schedule Delete After                      | <p>Specify the number of days to hold messages before deleting them.</p> <p>Cisco recommends that you configure the quarantine to delete older messages to prevent the quarantine from filling to capacity, but you can elect not to schedule automatic deletion.</p>   |
| Notify Cisco Upon Message Release          | <p>Check the <b>Send a copy of released messages to Cisco for analysis(recommended)</b> checkbox if you wish to notify Cisco upon message release.</p>  |

| Option                     | Description  |
|----------------------------|--|
| Spam Quarantine Appearance | <p><b>Logo</b></p> <p>By default, the Cisco logo is displayed at the top of the spam quarantine page when the user logs in to view quarantined messages.</p> <p>You can view the logo on both new and legacy web interface.</p> <p>To use a custom logo instead, upload the logo. The logo should be a .jpg, .gif, or .png file that is at most 50 pixels high by 500 pixels wide.</p> <p><b>Login page message</b></p> <p>(Optional) Specify a login page message. This message is shown to end users and administrators when they log in to view the quarantine.</p> <p>If you do not specify a message, the following message appears:</p> <p>Enter your login information below. If you are unsure what to enter, please contact your administrator.</p> |
| Administrative Users       | See <a href="#">Configuring Administrative User Access to the Spam Quarantine</a> , on page 272.   |


**Step 5** Submit and commit your changes.

#### What to do next

- Return to [Adding the Centralized Spam Quarantine Service to Each Managed Email Security Appliance](#) , on page 270

## Enabling and Configuring Spam Quarantine on the New Web Interface

### Procedure

- Step 1** On the Security Management Appliance, click **Service Status** and hover over the  corresponding to **Spam Quarantine**, click **Edit Spam Quarantine Settings**.
- Step 2** If you are using configuring spam quarantine for the first time after running the System Setup Wizard, review and accept the license agreement and click **Proceed**.
- Step 3** Click the toggle switch to enable Spam Quarantine.
- Step 4** Specify options:

| Option                                     | Description   |
|--|---|
| Quarantine IP Interface<br>Quarantine Port | <p>By default, the spam quarantine uses the Management interface and port 6025. The IP interface is the interface on the Security Management appliance that is configured to listen for incoming mail. The quarantine port is the port number that the sending appliances use in their external quarantine settings.</p> <p>If your Email Security appliances are not on the same network as your Security Management appliance, then you must use the Management interface.</p>  |
| Deliver Messages Via                       | <p>All outgoing quarantine-related email (such as spam notifications and messages released from the spam quarantine) must be delivered via another appliance or server that is configured to send messages.</p> <p>You can route these messages through an SMTP or groupware server, or you can specify the outbound listener interface of an Email Security appliance (typically the Data 2 interface).</p> <p>The alternate address is used for load balancing and failover.</p> <p>If you have multiple Email Security appliances, you can use the outbound listener interface of any managed Email Security appliances for the primary and alternate addresses. Both must use the same interface (either Data 1 or Data 2) as the outbound listener.</p> <p>Read instructions on the screen for additional caveats about these addresses.</p> |
| Schedule Delete After                      | <p>Specify the number of days to hold messages before deleting them.</p> <p>Cisco recommends that you configure the quarantine to delete older messages to prevent the quarantine from filling to capacity, but you can elect not to schedule automatic deletion.</p>   |
| Notify Cisco Upon Message Release          | <p>You can choose to send a copy of released messages to Cisco for analysis by checking the respective box.</p>   |

| Option                     | Description  |
|----------------------------|--|
| Spam Quarantine Appearance | <p><b>Logo</b></p> <p>By default, the Cisco logo is displayed at the top of the spam quarantine page when the user logs in to view quarantined messages.</p> <p>You can view the logo on both new and legacy web interface.</p> <p>To use a custom logo instead, upload the logo. The logo should be a .jpg, .gif, or .png file that is at most 50 pixels high by 500 pixels wide.</p> <p><b>Login page message</b></p> <p>(Optional) Specify a login page message. This message is shown to end users and administrators when they log in to view the quarantine.</p> <p>If you do not specify a message, the following message appears:</p> <p>Enter your login information below. If you are unsure what to enter, please contact your administrator.</p> |
| Administrative Users       | See <a href="#">Configuring Administrative User Access to the Spam Quarantine</a> , on page 272.   |

**Step 5** Click **Save**.


#### What to do next

- Return to [Adding the Centralized Spam Quarantine Service to Each Managed Email Security Appliance](#) , on page 270

## Adding the Centralized Spam Quarantine Service to Each Managed Email Security Appliance

The steps that you follow depend on whether or not you have already added the appliance while configuring another centralized management feature.

#### Procedure

- Step 1** [New Web Interface Only] On the Security Management appliance, click  to load the legacy web interface.
- Step 2** Choose **Management Appliance > Centralized Services > Security Appliances**.
- Step 3** If you have already added the Email Security appliance to the list on this page:
- Click the name of the Email Security appliance.
  - Select the **Spam Quarantine** service.
- Step 4** If you have not yet added Email Security appliances:

- a) Click Add Email Appliance.
- b) In the Appliance Name and IP Address text fields, type the appliance name and the IP address for the Management interface of the appliance.

**Note** A DNS name may be entered in the IP Address text field; however, it will be immediately resolved to an IP address when you click **Submit**.

- c) The Spam Quarantine service is pre-selected.
- d) Click **Establish Connection**.
- e) Enter the username and passphrase for an administrator account on the appliance to be managed, then click **Establish Connection**.

**Note** You enter the login credentials to pass a public SSH key for file transfers from the Security Management appliance to the remote appliance. The login credentials are not stored on the Security Management appliance.

- f) Wait for the success message to appear above the table on the page.
- g) Click **Test Connection**.
- h) Read the test results above the table.

**Step 5** Submit and commit your changes.

**Step 6** Repeat this procedure for each Email Security appliance for which you want to enable the spam quarantine.

## Configuring an Outbound IP Interface on the Security Management Appliance

Configure an interface on the Security Management appliance to send quarantine-related messages (including notifications and released email) to the Email Security appliance for delivery.


### Before you begin

Obtain or identify an IP address to use for the outbound interface. This will typically be the Data 2 interface on the Security Management appliance. For more information about network requirements, see [Assigning Network and IP Addresses, on page 565](#)



**Note** Use this procedure in conjunction with the information in [Configuring IP Interfaces, on page 558](#).

### Procedure

**Step 1** [New Web Interface Only] On the Security Management appliance, click  to load the legacy web interface.

**Step 2** Choose **Management Appliance > Network IP Interfaces**.

**Step 3** Click **Add IP Interface**.

**Step 4** Enter the following settings:

- Name
- Ethernet Port

Typically, this will be Data 2. Specifically, this must match the data interface on the Email Security appliance that you specified for the **Primary Server** in the **Deliver Messages Via** section of the Spam Quarantine Settings page under **Management Appliance > Centralized Services > Spam Quarantine**.

- IP Address

IP address of the interface that you just specified.

- Netmask

- Hostname

For example, if this is the Data 2 interface, use data2.sma.example.com .

Do not enter information in the Spam Quarantine section for this interface.

**Step 5** Submit and commit your changes.


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## Configuring the IP Interface for Browser Access to the Spam Quarantine

When administrators and end users access the spam quarantine, a separate browser window opens.

### Procedure

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**Step 1** [New Web Interface Only] On the Security Management appliance, click  to load the legacy web interface.

**Step 2** Choose **Management Appliance > Network > IP Interfaces**.

**Step 3** Click the name of the **Management** interface.

**Step 4** In the Spam Quarantine section, configure settings for access to the spam quarantine:

- By default, HTTP uses port 82 and HTTPS uses port 83.
- Specify the URL that appears in notifications and in the spam quarantine browser window.

If you do not want to expose the hostname of your Security Management appliance to end users, you can specify an alternate hostname.

**Step 5** Submit and commit your changes.

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### What to do next

Ensure that your DNS server can resolve the hostname that you specified for spam quarantine access.

## Configuring Administrative User Access to the Spam Quarantine

All users with administrator privileges can change spam quarantine settings and view and manage messages in the spam quarantine. You do not need to configure spam quarantine access for administrator users.

If you configure access to the spam quarantine for users with the following roles, they can view, release, and delete messages in the spam quarantine:



- Email administrator
- Operator
- Read-only operator
- Help desk user
- Guest
- Custom user roles that have spam quarantine privileges


These users cannot access spam quarantine settings.

### Before you begin

Create users or custom user roles that have access to the spam quarantine. For more information, see information about [Access to Quarantines for Custom User Role](#) , on page 404 in [Distributing Administrative Tasks](#), on page 399

### Procedure

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- Step 1** On the Security Management appliance, click **Service Status** and hover over the  corresponding to **Spam Quarantine** and click **Edit Spam Quarantine Settings**.
- Step 2** Click the toggle switch to enable Spam Quarantine.
- Step 3** Click the link for the type of user to add: local, externally authenticated, or custom role.
- If you have already added users or roles, click a username or role to view all eligible users or roles.
- Step 4** Select the users or roles that you want to add.
- Users with Administrator privileges , including Email Administrators, are not listed because they automatically have full access to the spam quarantine.
- Step 5** Click **OK**.
- Step 6** Click **Submit**.
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### What to do next

#### Related Topics

[Configuring End-User Access to the Spam Quarantine](#) , on page 288

## Limiting Which Recipients Have Mail Quarantined

You can use multiple mail policies(Mail Policies > Incoming Mail Policy) to specify a list of recipient addresses for which mail will not be quarantined. Select 'Deliver' or 'Drop' instead of quarantine when configuring the anti-spam settings for the mail policy.

## Spam Quarantine Language

Each user selects a language in the spam quarantine from the Options menu at the top right of the window.

## Edit Spam Quarantine Page

- [Enabling and Configuring the Spam Quarantine on the Legacy Web Interface](#) , on page 266
- [Local Versus External Spam Quarantine](#) , on page 265
- [Configuring End-User Access to the Spam Quarantine](#) , on page 288
- [Notifying End Users About Quarantined Messages](#) , on page 290

## Using Safelists and Blocklists to Control Email Delivery Based on Sender

Administrators and end users can use safelists and blocklists to help determine which messages are spam. Safelists specify senders and domains that are never treated as spam. Blocklists specify senders and domains that are always treated as spam.

You can allow end users (email users) to manage the safelist and blocklist for their own email accounts. For example, an end user may receive email from a mailing list that no longer interests him. He may decide to add this sender to his blocklist to prevent emails from the mailing list from being sent to his inbox. On the other hand, end users may find that emails from specific senders are sent to their spam quarantine when they do not want them to be treated as spam. To ensure that messages from these senders are not quarantined, they may want to add the senders to their safelists.

Changes that end users and administrators make are visible to and can be changed by either.

### Related Topics

- [Message Processing of Safelists and Blocklists](#) , on page 274
- [Enabling Safelists and Blocklists on the Legacy Web Interface](#), on page 275
- [External Spam Quarantine and Safelist/Blocklists](#) , on page 276
- [Adding Senders and Domains to Safelists and Blocklists \(Administrators\)](#) , on page 276
- [About End-User Access to Safelists and Blocklists](#) , on page 282
- [Backing Up and Restoring the Safelist/Blocklist](#) , on page 284
- [Troubleshooting Safelists and Blocklists](#), on page 284

## Message Processing of Safelists and Blocklists

A sender's being on a safelist or blocklist does not prevent the appliance from scanning a message for viruses or determining if the message meets the criteria for a content-related mail policy. Even if the sender of a message is on the recipient's safelist, the message may not be delivered to the end user depending on other scanning settings and results.

When you enable safelists and blocklists, the appliance scans the messages against the safelist/blocklist database immediately before anti-spam scanning. If the appliance detects a sender or domain that matches a safelist or blocklist entry, the message will be splintered if there are multiple recipients (and the recipients have different safelist/blocklist settings). For example, a message is sent to both recipient A and recipient B. Recipient A has safelisted the sender, whereas recipient B does not have an entry for the sender in the safelist or the blocklist. In this case, the message may be split into two messages with two message IDs. The message sent to recipient A is marked as safelisted with an *X-SLBL-Result-Safelist* header and skips anti-spam scanning,

whereas the message bound for recipient B is scanned by the anti-spam scanning engine. Both messages then continue along the pipeline (through anti-virus scanning, content policies, and so on) and are subject to any configured settings.

If a message sender or domain is blocklisted, the delivery behavior depends on the blocklist action that you specify when you enable the safelist/blocklist feature. Similar to safelist delivery, the message is splintered if there are different recipients with different safelist/blocklist settings. The blocklisted message splinter is then quarantined or dropped, depending on the blocklist action settings. If the blocklist action is configured to quarantine, the message is scanned and eventually quarantined. If the blocklist action is configured to delete, the message is dropped immediately after safelist/blocklist scanning.

Because safelists and blocklists are maintained in the spam quarantine, delivery behavior is also contingent on other anti-spam settings. For example, if you configure the “Accept” mail flow policy in the Host Access Table (HAT) to skip anti-spam scanning, then users who receive mail on that listener will not have their safelist and blocklist settings applied to mail received on that listener. Similarly, if you create a mail flow policy that skips anti-spam scanning for certain message recipients, these recipients will not have their safelist and blocklist settings applied.

#### Related Topics

- [Enabling Safelists and Blocklists on the Legacy Web Interface, on page 275](#)
- [External Spam Quarantine and Safelist/Blocklists , on page 276](#)

## Enabling Safelists and Blocklists

- [Enabling Safelists and Blocklists on the Legacy Web Interface, on page 275](#)
- [Enabling Safelists and Blocklists on the New Web Interface](#)

## Enabling Safelists and Blocklists on the Legacy Web Interface

#### Before you begin

- The spam quarantine must be enabled. See [Setting Up the Centralized Spam Quarantine , on page 266](#).

#### Procedure

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- Step 1** Navigate to **Management Appliance > Centralized Services > Spam Quarantine**.
  - Step 2** Under **End-User Safelist/Blocklist**, click **Edit Settings**.
  - Step 3** Select **Enable End User Safelist/Blocklist Feature**.
  - Step 4** Specify **Maximum List Items Per User**.

This is the maximum number of addresses or domains for each list, for each recipient. If you allow a large number of list entries per user, system performance might be adversely affected.

- Step 5** Select **Update Frequency**.

This value determines how often AsyncOS updates the safelists/blocklists on the Email Security appliances that use the external spam quarantine. The significance of this setting is described in [External Spam Quarantine and Safelist/Blocklists , on page 276](#).

**Step 6** Submit and commit your changes.

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## Enabling Safelists and Blocklists on the New Web Interface

### Before you begin

- The spam quarantine must be enabled. See [Setting Up the Centralized Spam Quarantine](#), on page 266.

### Procedure

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**Step 1** On the Security Management appliance, click **Service Status** and hover over the  icon corresponding to **Spam Quarantine**.

**Step 2** Click **Edit Safelist/Blocklist Settings**.

**Step 3** Click the toggle switch to enable Safelist/Blocklist Settings.

**Step 4** Specify the **Maximum List Items Per User**.

This is the maximum number of addresses or domains for each list, for each recipient. If you allow a large number of list entries per user, system performance might be adversely affected.

**Step 5** Select **Update Frequency**.

This value determines how often AsyncOS updates the safelists/blocklists on the Email Security appliances that use the external spam quarantine. The significance of this setting is described in [External Spam Quarantine and Safelist/Blocklists](#), on page 276.

**Step 6** Click **Submit**.

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## External Spam Quarantine and Safelist/Blocklists

Because the Email Security appliance evaluates senders in safelists and blocklists when processing incoming mail, safelists and blocklists that are stored on a Security Management appliance must be sent to the Email Security appliance in order to be applied to incoming mail. When you configure the safelist/blocklist feature on a Security Management appliance, you configure the frequency of these updates.

## Adding Senders and Domains to Safelists and Blocklists (Administrators)

Manage safelists and blocklists via the spam quarantine interface.

You can also see whether many recipients (end users in your organization) have included a particular sender or domain in allowed list or blocked list.

Administrators see and work with the superset of the same entries that each end user sees and works with.

### Before you begin

- Ensure that you can access the spam quarantine. See [Accessing the Spam Quarantine \(Administrative Users\)](#), on page 295.
- Enable access to the safelist/blocklist. See [Enabling Safelists and Blocklists on the Legacy Web Interface](#), on page 275.
- (Optional) To import safelist/blocklists instead of building these lists using the procedure in this section, use the process described in [Backing Up and Restoring the Safelist/Blocklist](#), on page 284.
- Understand the required format of safelist and blocklist entries. See [Syntax for Safelists and Blocklist Entries](#), on page 281.

### Procedure

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- Step 1** [New Web Interface Only] On the Security Management appliance, click **Quarantine > Spam Quarantine > Search**.
- Or
- Choose **Email > Message Quarantine > Spam Quarantine** and select the **Options** drop-down menu in the upper right corner of the page.
- Step 2** Choose **Safelist** or **Blocklist**.
- Step 3** (Optional) Search for a sender or recipient.
- Step 4** Do one or more of the following:

| To                                   | Do This   |
|--------------------------------------|---|
| Add multiple senders for a recipient | <p>To add multiple senders for a recipient on the new web interface:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Select <b>Recipient</b> tab.</li> <li>b. Click on the + icon to add a recipient address and sender list.</li> <li>c. Enter the recipient email address.</li> <li>d. Enter the sender email addresses and domains.<br/>Put each entry on a separate line, or separate each entry with a comma.</li> <li>e. Click <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> to save the entry.</li> </ol> <p>To modify an existing sender address, select the checkbox next to the required recipient address, click the edit icon, modify the sender address and click <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> to save the entry.</p> <p>To add multiple senders for a recipient on the legacy web interface:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Select <b>View by: Recipient</b></li> <li>b. Click <b>Add</b>, or click <b>Edit</b> for a recipient.</li> <li>c. Enter or edit the recipient email address.</li> <li>d. Enter sender email addresses and domains.<br/>Put each entry on a separate line, or separate each entry with a comma.</li> <li>e. Click <b>Submit</b>.</li> </ol> |

| To   | Do This  |
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| Add multiple recipients for a sender           | <p>To add multiple recipient for a sender on the new web interface:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Select <b>Sender</b> tab.</li> <li>Click + to add a sender address and recipient list.</li> <li>Enter the sender address or domain.</li> <li>Enter the recipient email addresses.<br/>Put each entry on a separate line, or separate each entry with a comma.</li> <li>Click <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> to save the entry.</li> </ol> <p>To modify an existing recipient address, select the checkbox next to the required sender address, click the edit icon, modify the sender address and click <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> to save the entry.</p> <p>To add multiple recipient for a sender on the legacy web interface:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Select <b>View by: Sender</b></li> <li>Click <b>Add</b>, or click <b>Edit</b> for a sender.</li> <li>Enter or edit the sender address or domain.</li> <li>Enter recipient email addresses.<br/>Put each entry on a separate line, or separate each entry with a comma.</li> <li>Click <b>Submit</b>.</li> </ol> |
| Delete all senders associated with a recipient | <p>To delete all senders associated with a recipient on the new web interface:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Select the checkbox next to the recipient or sender address to select the entry.<br/>You can select and delete all entries.</li> <li>Click on the trash can icon to delete an entire table row.</li> </ol> <p>To delete all senders associated with a recipient on the legacy web interface:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Select a <b>View by</b> option.</li> <li>Click a trash can icon to delete an entire table row.</li> </ol>  |

| To   | Do This  |
|--|--|
| Delete all recipients associated with a sender | <p>To delete all recipients associated with a sender on the new web interface:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Select the checkbox next to the recipient or sender address to select the entry.<br/>You can select and delete all entries.</li> <li>b. Click on the trash can icon to delete an entire table row.</li> </ol> <p>To delete all recipients associated with a sender on the legacy web interface:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Select a <b>View by</b> option.</li> <li>b. Click a trash can icon to delete an entire table row.</li> </ol>  |
| Delete individual senders for a recipient      | <p>To delete individual senders for a recipient on the new web interface:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Select the checkbox next to the recipient or sender address to select the entry.<br/>You can select and delete multiple entries.</li> <li>b. Click on the edit icon to modify an individual recipient or sender.</li> <li>c. Add or remove entries from the text box. You must leave at least one entry.</li> <li>d. Click <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> to save the entry.</li> </ol> <p>To delete individual senders for a recipient on the legacy web interface:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Select a <b>View by</b> option.</li> <li>b. Click <b>Edit</b> for an individual recipient or sender.</li> <li>c. Add or remove entries from the text box. You must leave at least one entry.</li> <li>d. Click <b>Submit</b>.</li> </ol> |



| To  | Do This   |
|---|---|
| Delete individual recipients for a sender | <p>To delete individual recipient for a sender on the new web interface:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Select the checkbox next to the recipient or sender address to select the entry.<br/>You can select and delete multiple entries.</li> <li>Click on the edit icon to modify an individual recipient or sender.</li> <li>Add or remove entries from the text box. You must leave at least one entry.</li> <li>Click <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> to save the entry.</li> </ol> <p>To delete individual senders for a recipient on the legacy web interface:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Select a <b>View by</b> option.</li> <li>Click <b>Edit</b> for an individual recipient or sender.</li> <li>Add or remove entries from the text box. You must leave at least one entry.</li> <li>Click <b>Submit</b>.</li> </ol> |

### What to do next

#### Related Topics

- [Syntax for Safelists and Blocklist Entries](#) , on page 281
- [Clearing All Safelists and Blocklists](#) , on page 282

## Syntax for Safelists and Blocklist Entries

Senders can be added to safelists and blocklists using the following formats:

- user@domain.com
- server.domain.com
- domain.com
- [10.1.1.0]
- [ipv6:2001:DB8:1::1]
- user@[1.2.3.4]
- user@[ipv6:2001:db8::1]

An identical entry, such as a sender address or a domain, cannot be included on both the safelist and the blocklist at the same time. However, a domain can be on a safelist while an email address for a sender belonging to that domain is on the blocklist (or vice versa), and both rules apply. For example, if *example.com* is on the

safelist, *george@example.com* can be on the blocklist. In this case, the appliance delivers all mail from *example.com* without scanning for spam, except mail from *george@example.com*, which is treated as spam.

It is not possible allow or block a range of subdomains using the following syntax: *.domain.com* . However, it is possible to block a specific domain using the following syntax: *server.domain.com* .

## Clearing All Safelists and Blocklists

If you need to delete all safelist and blocklist entries, including all senders and all recipients, import a file with no entries using the procedure in [Backing Up and Restoring the Safelist/Blocklist](#) , on page 284.

## About End-User Access to Safelists and Blocklists

End users access their safelist and blocklist via the spam quarantine. To configure end-user access to the spam quarantine, see [Setting Up End-User Access to the Spam Quarantine via Web Browser](#) .

You may want to give your end users the URL of the spam quarantine and the instructions below, as applicable.

### Related Topics

- [Adding Entries to Safelists \(End Users\)](#)
- [Adding Senders to Blocklists \(End Users\)](#)

## Adding Entries to Safelists (End Users)




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**Note** Delivery of messages from safelisted senders depends on other settings that are configured in the system. See [Message Processing of Safelists and Blocklists](#) , on page 274.

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End users can add senders to safelists in two ways:

- [Adding the Sender of a Quarantined Message to the Safelist](#) , on page 282
- [Adding Senders to the Safelist Without a Quarantined Message](#) , on page 283

### Adding the Sender of a Quarantined Message to the Safelist

End users can add senders to the safelist if the message has been sent to the spam quarantine.

#### Procedure

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[New Web Interface Only] Click **Release and Add to Safelist** icon to release the message and add it to the safelist.

Or

Select **Release and Add to Safelist** from the drop-down menu.


The envelope sender and the from header for the specified mail are both added to the safelist, and the released messages proceed directly to the destination queue, skipping any further work queue processing in the email pipeline.

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## Adding Senders to the Safelist Without a Quarantined Message

### Procedure

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- Step 1** [New Web Interface Only] Choose **Safelist**.
- Step 2** [New Web Interface Only] Enter the email address or domain. You can enter multiple domains and email addresses, separated by commas.
- Step 3** [New Web Interface Only] Click  to save the entry.
- Step 4** Access Spam Quarantine page.
- Choose **Monitor > Spam Quarantine**.
  - Select the **Options** drop-down menu in the upper right corner of the page.
  - Choose **Safelist**.
  - From the Safelist dialog box, enter the email address or domain. You can enter multiple domains and email addresses, separated by commas.
  - Click **Add to List**.

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## Adding Senders to Blocklists (End Users)

Messages from blocklisted senders may be rejected or quarantined, depending on the safelist/blocklist action settings defined by your administrator.




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**Note** You can add blocklist entries only using this procedure.

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### Procedure

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- Step 1** [New Web Interface Only] Choose **Blocklist**, click the + icon and enter the domain or email address that you want to blocklist. You can enter multiple domains and email addresses, separated by commas.
- Step 2** [New Web Interface Only] Click  to save the entry.
- Step 3** Access Spam Quarantine page.
- Choose **Monitor > Spam Quarantine**.
  - Choose **Blocklist** from the **Options** drop-down menu in the upper right corner of the page.
  - Enter the domain or email address that you want to blocklist. You can enter multiple domains and email addresses, separated by commas.


d) Click **Add to List**.

## Backing Up and Restoring the Safelist/Blocklist

Before you upgrade your appliance or run the installation wizard, you should back up the safelist/blocklist database. Safelist/blocklist information is not included in the main XML configuration file that contains your appliance configuration settings.

Safelist/blocklist entries can also be backed up along with other data on the Security Management appliance. See [Backing Up Security Management Appliance Data](#), on page 450.

### Procedure

- Step 1** [New Web Interface Only] On the Security Management appliance, click  to load the legacy web interface.
- Step 2** Select **Management Appliance > System Administration > Configuration File**.
- Step 3** Scroll to the **End-User Safelist/Blocklist Database (Spam Quarantine)** section.

| To                            | Do This  |
|-------------------------------|--|
| Export the safelist/blocklist | <p>Note the path and filename of the .csv file, and modify as needed.</p> <p>Click <b>Backup Now</b>.</p> <p>The appliance saves a .csv file to the /configuration directory of the appliance using the following naming convention:</p> <p><i>slbl&lt;serial number&gt;&lt;timestamp&gt;.csv</i></p>  |
| Import the safelist/blocklist | <p><b>Caution</b> This process will overwrite all existing entries in safelists and blocklists for all users.</p> <p>Click <b>Select File to Restore</b>.</p> <p>Select the desired file from the list of files in your configuration directory.</p> <p>Select the safelist/blocklist backup file that you want to restore.</p> <p>Click <b>Restore</b>.</p> |

## Troubleshooting Safelists and Blocklists

To troubleshoot issues with safelists and blocklists, you can view the log files or system alerts.

When an email is blocked due to safelist/blocklist settings, the action is logged in the ISQ\_log files or the antispam log files. Emails that are safelisted are marked as safelisted with an *X-SLBL-Result-Safelist* header. Emails that are blocklisted are marked as blocklisted with an *X-SLBL-Result-Blocklist* header.

Alerts are sent out when the database is created or updated, or if there are errors in modifying the database or running the safelist/blocklist processes.

For more information about alerts, see [Managing Alerts, on page 472](#) .

For more information about log files, see [Logging, on page 517](#) .

### Related Topics

- [Message from Safelisted Sender Was Not Delivered , on page 285](#)

## Message from Safelisted Sender Was Not Delivered

### Problem

Message from a safelisted sender was not delivered.

### Solution

Possible causes:

- The message was dropped for malware or content violations. See [Message Processing of Safelists and Blocklists , on page 274](#).
- If you have multiple appliances and the sender was recently added to the safelist, then safelist/blocklists might not have been synchronized at the time the message was processed. See [External Spam Quarantine and Safelist/Blocklists , on page 276](#) .

## Configuring Spam Management Features for End Users

| To   | See  |
|--|--|
| Understand the benefits and limitations of the different authentication methods for end-user access to spam management features.                                   | <a href="#">Configuring End-User Access to the Spam Quarantine , on page 288</a> and subsections       |
| Allow end users to access the spam quarantine directly via browser.  | <a href="#">Authentication Options for End Users Accessing Spam Management Features , on page 286</a>  |
| Send users a notification when messages addressed to them are routed to the spam quarantine.<br>Notifications can include links for access to the spam quarantine. | <a href="#">Notifying End Users About Quarantined Messages , on page 290</a>                           |
| Allow users to specify email addresses and domains of senders whom they know to be safe, and of senders whom they know to be sending spam or other unwanted mail.  | <a href="#">Using Safelists and Blocklists to Control Email Delivery Based on Sender , on page 274</a> |

### Related Topics

- [Authentication Options for End Users Accessing Spam Management Features , on page 286](#)
- [Setting Up End-User Access to the Spam Quarantine via Web Browser , on page 287](#)
- [Notifying End Users About Quarantined Messages , on page 290](#)

## Authentication Options for End Users Accessing Spam Management Features



**Note** Mailbox authentication does not allow users to view messages addressed to an email alias.

| For End-User Spam Quarantine Access   | Do This   |
|---|---|
| Directly via web browser, authentication required<br>and<br>Via a link in a notification, authentication required     | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. In the End User Quarantine Access settings, choose <b>LDAP, SAML 2.0, or Mailbox (IMAP/POP)</b>.</li> <li>2. In the Spam Notifications settings, deselect <b>Enable login without credentials for quarantine access</b>.</li> </ol> |
| Directly via web browser, authentication required<br>and<br>Via a link in a notification, authentication not required | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. In the End User Quarantine Access settings, choose <b>LDAP, SAML 2.0, or Mailbox (IMAP/POP)</b>.</li> <li>2. In the Spam Notifications settings, select <b>Enable login without credentials for quarantine access</b>.</li> </ol>   |
| Only via a link in a notification, authentication not required  | In the End User Quarantine Access settings, choose <b>None</b> as the authentication method.  |
| No access   | In the End User Quarantine Access settings, deselect <b>Enable End-User Quarantine Access</b> .   |

### Related Topics

- [LDAP Authentication Process](#) , on page 286
- [IMAP/POP Authentication Process](#) , on page 287
- [SAML 2.0 Authentication Process](#), on page 287
- [Configuring End-User Access to the Spam Quarantine](#) , on page 288
- [Notifying End Users About Quarantined Messages](#) , on page 290
- [Configuring LDAP to Work with the Spam Quarantine](#), on page 367
- [About End-User Access to Safelists and Blocklists](#) , on page 282

## LDAP Authentication Process

1. A user enters his or her username and passphrase into the web UI login page.
2. The spam quarantine connects to the specified LDAP server either to perform an anonymous search or as an authenticated user with the specified “Server Login” DN and passphrase. For Active Directory, you will usually need to have the server connect on the “Global Catalog port” (it is in the 6000s) and you need to create a low privilege LDAP user that the spam quarantine can bind as in order to execute the search.
3. The spam quarantine then searches for the user using the specified BaseDN and Query String. When a user’s LDAP record is found, the spam quarantine then extracts the DN for that record and attempts bind to the directory using the user records’ DN and the passphrase they entered originally. If this passphrase check succeeds then the user is properly authenticated, but the spam quarantine still needs to determine which mailboxes’ contents to show for that user.

4. Messages are stored in the spam quarantine using the recipient's envelope address. After a user's passphrase is validated against LDAP, the spam quarantine then retrieves the "Primary Email Attribute" from the LDAP record to determine which envelope address they should show quarantined messages for. The "Primary Email Attribute" can contain multiple email addresses which are then used to determine what envelope addresses should be displayed from the quarantine for the authenticated user.

#### Related Topics

- [Authentication Options for End Users Accessing Spam Management Features](#) , on page 286
- [Integrating With LDAP](#), on page 367

## IMAP/POP Authentication Process

1. Depending on your mail server configuration, a user enters their username ( joe ) or email address ( joe@example.com ) and passphrase into the web UI login page. You can modify the Login Page Message to tell your users whether they should enter a full email address or just their username (see [Configuring End-User Access to the Spam Quarantine](#) , on page 288).
2. The spam quarantine connects to the IMAP or POP server and uses the entered login (either username or email address) and passphrase to try to log into the IMAP/POP server. If the passphrase is accepted then the user is considered authenticated and the spam quarantine immediately logs out of the IMAP/POP server.
3. Once the user is authenticated, the spam quarantine lists email for the user, based on the email address:
  - If you have configured the spam quarantine to specify a domain to append to bare usernames (like joe ), then this domain is appended and that fully qualified email address is used to search for matching envelopes in the quarantine.
  - Otherwise, the spam quarantine uses the entered email address to search for matching envelopes.

For more information about IMAP, see the University of Washington web site:

<http://www.washington.edu/imap/>

## SAML 2.0 Authentication Process

See section *SSO Using SAML 2.0* in the *Cisco Content Security Management Appliance Guide*

## Setting Up End-User Access to the Spam Quarantine via Web Browser

### Procedure

- Step 1** Understand the benefits and limitations of the different authentication methods for end-user access to spam management features.
- Step 2** If you will authenticate end users using LDAP, configure an LDAP server profile, including the **Spam Quarantine End-User Authentication Query** settings on the **System Administration > LDAP > LDAP Server Profile** page.

#### Example:

If you will authenticate end users using SAML 2.0 (SSO), configure the settings on the **System Administration > SAML** page.

[Integrating With LDAP](#), on page 367 and subsections

[SSO Using SAML 2.0, on page 497](#)

**Step 3** Configure end-user access to the spam quarantine.  
[Configuring End-User Access to the Spam Quarantine , on page 288](#)

**Step 4** Determine the URL for end-user access to the spam quarantine.  
[Determining the URL for End-User Access to the Spam Quarantine, on page 289](#)

### What to do next

#### Related Topics

- [Configuring End-User Access to the Spam Quarantine , on page 288](#)
- [Determining the URL for End-User Access to the Spam Quarantine, on page 289](#)
- [Which Messages an End User Sees , on page 290](#)


## Configuring End-User Access to the Spam Quarantine

Administrative users can access the spam quarantine whether or not end-user access is enabled.

### Before you begin

See requirements in [Authentication Options for End Users Accessing Spam Management Features , on page 286](#).

### Procedure

- Step 1** If you are on the legacy interface, navigate to **Management Appliance > Centralized Services > Monitor > Spam Quarantine > Edit Settings**, and then scroll down to **End-User Quarantine Access**. If you are on the new web interface, then navigate to Security Management appliance, click **Service Status** and hover on  icon and click **Edit End-User Quarantine Settings**. You will be redirected to the legacy interface.
- Step 2** Select **Enable End-User Quarantine Access**.
- Step 3** Specify the method to use to authenticate end users when they attempt to view their quarantined messages.

| Select This Option | More Information  |
|--------------------|---|
| None               | Choose this option to make the quarantined messages accessible to the end-users via links in the spam notification without additional authentication. |



| Select This Option | More Information  |
|--------------------|---|
| Mailbox (IMAP/POP) | <p>For sites without an LDAP directory to use for authentication, the quarantine can validate user email addresses and passphrases against a standards-based IMAP or POP server that holds their mailbox.</p> <p>When logging in to the spam quarantine, end users enter their full email address and mailbox passphrase.</p> <p>If the POP server advertises APOP support in the banner, then for security reasons (i.e., to avoid sending the passphrase in the clear) the Cisco appliance will only use APOP. If APOP is not supported for some or all users then the POP server should be reconfigured to not advertise APOP.</p> <p>Select SSL if you have configured your server to use it. If users enter username only, you can specify a domain to add to automatically complete the email address. Enter the domain of the envelope for users logging in to “Append Domain to Unqualified Usernames.”</p> |
| LDAP               | Configure LDAP settings as described in the sections referenced in the Before You Begin section of this topic.  |
| SAML 2.0           | <p>Enable single sign-on for Spam Quarantine.</p> <p>Before using this option, make sure that you have configured all the settings on Management Appliance &gt; System Administration &gt; SAML page. See section <i>SSO Using SAML 2.0</i> in the <i>Cisco Content Security Management Appliance Guide</i> .</p>   |

**Step 4** Specify whether or not to display message bodies before messages are released.

If this box is selected, users may not view the message body via the spam quarantine page. Instead, to view the body of a quarantined message, users must release the message and view it in their mail application (such as Microsoft Outlook). You can use this feature for policy and regulation compliance — for example, if a regulation requires that all viewed email be archived.

**Step 5** Submit and commit your changes.

### What to do next

(Optional) Customize the page that users see when they access the spam quarantine, if you have not yet done so. See setting descriptions in [Enabling and Configuring the Spam Quarantine on the Legacy Web Interface](#) , on page 266.

## Determining the URL for End-User Access to the Spam Quarantine

The URL that end users can use to directly access the spam quarantine is formed from the hostname of the machine and the settings (HTTP/S and port numbers) configured on the IP interface on which the quarantine has been enabled. For example, `HTTP://mail3.example.com:82`.

The end-users can now access the Spam Quarantine on the new web interface in any one of the following ways:

- When `trailblazerconfig` CLI command is enabled, use the following URL -  
`https://example.com:<trailblazer-https-port>/euq-login`.  
where `example.com` is the appliance host name and `<trailblazer-https-port>` is the trailblazer HTTPS port configured on the appliance.
- When `trailblazerconfig` CLI command is disabled, use the following URL -  
`https://example.com:<https-port>/euq-login`.  
where `example.com` is the appliance host name and `<https-port>` is the HTTPS port configured on the appliance.




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**Note** Local and externally-authenticated users cannot log into the end-user Spam Quarantine portal.

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## Which Messages an End User Sees

Generally, end users see only their own messages in the spam quarantine.

Depending on the method of access (via notification or directly via web browser) and authentication method (LDAP or IMAP/POP), users may see mail for multiple email addresses in the spam quarantine.

When LDAP authentication is used, if the Primary Email attribute has multiple values in the LDAP directory, all of those values (addresses) will be associated with the user. Therefore, quarantined messages addressed to all email addresses associated with the end user in the LDAP directory are present in the quarantine.

If the authentication method is IMAP/POP, or the user accesses the quarantine directly via a notification, then the quarantine will display only messages for that user's email address (or the address to which the notification was sent).

For information about messages that are sent to aliases of which the user is a member, see [Recipient Email Mailing List Aliases and Spam Notifications](#), on page 293.

### Related Topics

- [Configuring End-User Access to the Spam Quarantine](#), on page 288
- [Recipient Email Mailing List Aliases and Spam Notifications](#), on page 293

## Notifying End Users About Quarantined Messages

You can configure the system to send a notification email to some or all users when they have spam and suspected spam messages in the spam quarantine.

By default, spam notifications lists the end user's quarantined messages. Notifications include a link that you can use to view the quarantined messages in the spam quarantine. You can then decide whether to have the quarantined messages delivered to the inbox or to delete them.




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**Note** In cluster configurations, you can choose which users receive notifications only at the machine level.

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### Before you begin

- For end users to manage messages listed in notifications, they must be able to access the spam quarantine. See [Configuring End-User Access to the Spam Quarantine](#) , on page 288.
- Understand and implement the authentication options for managing spam using notifications. See [Authentication Options for End Users Accessing Spam Management Features](#) , on page 286.
- If end users receive email at multiple aliases, see [Recipient Email Mailing List Aliases and Spam Notifications](#) , on page 293.

### Procedure

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- Step 1** If you are on the legacy interface, navigate to **Management Appliance > Centralized Services > Spam Quarantine > Edit Settings**, and then scroll down to **Spam Notifications**. However if you are on the new web interface, navigate to Security Management appliance, click **Service Status**, hover over the  icon, and click **Edit Spam Notification Settings**. You will be redirected to the legacy interface.
- Step 2** Select **Enable Spam Notification**.
- Step 3** Enter a From: address for the notifications.
- Step 4** Specify the end-users whom you want to notify.
- Step 5** (Optional) Customize the subject for the notification.
- Step 6** (Optional) Customize the title for the notification.
- Step 7** Select the default language for notifications.
- Step 8** Configure the quarantine access for the end-users.
- a) Check the **Login without credentials** check box to automatically log users into the spam quarantine when they access it by clicking a link in a notification. The end-users can release messages by clicking the **Release** links in the notification. If you uncheck this option, the end-users cannot release messages by clicking the **Release** links in the notification.
- This option is visible only if you choose one of the following end-user authentication methods: Mailbox (IMAP/POP), LDAP, or SAML 2.0. If you have chosen None as the authentication method, when the end-users click on the links in the spam notification, they are automatically logged into the spam quarantine.
- b) Set an expiration period (in days) for the links in the notification. Enter a number between 0 and 365. These links will expire automatically after the specified period. Enter 0 if you do not want the links to expire.
- (For Mailbox (IMAP/POP), LDAP, and SAML 2.0) This option is configurable only if you check the **Login without credentials** check box.
- You can also set the expiration period using the **spamdigestconfig** command in the CLI.
- Step 9** Customize the message body:
- a) (Optional) Customize the default text and variables.
- To insert a variable, place the cursor where you would like the variable inserted and then click the name of the variable in the Message Variables listing on the right. Or type in the variable.
- The following message variables are expanded to the actual value for the specific end user:

- **New Message Count** ( %new\_message\_count% )— The number of new messages since the user last logged in.
- **Total Message Count** ( %total\_message\_count% )— The number of messages for the user in the spam quarantine.
- **Days Until Message Expires** ( %days\_until\_expire% )
- **Quarantine URL** ( %quarantine\_url% )— URL to log in to the quarantine and view messages.
- **Username** ( %username% )
- **New Message Table** ( %new\_quarantine\_messages% )— A list of the user’s new quarantined messages, showing sender, message subject, date, and a link to release the message. The user clicks a message subject to view the message in the spam quarantine.
- **New Message Table without Subject** ( %new\_quarantine\_messages\_no\_subject% ) — Similar to New Message Table, but only a “View Message” link is shown in place of the subject for each message.

- b) Choose whether to show or hide the links to view all the quarantined messages in a spam notification. Under **Show link to see all quarantined messages in Notification Mails**, choose **Yes** or **No** depending on your requirement.

(For Mailbox (IMAP/POP), LDAP, and SAML 2.0). This option is visible only if you check the **Login without credentials** check box (under Quarantine Access).

If you choose **Yes**, you can force the end-user to authenticate before accessing the spam quarantine. Check **Challenge Access**. This option is not available if you have chosen None as the end-user authentication method.

You can also show or hide the links using the **spandigestconfig** command in the CLI.

- c) Click **Preview Message** to verify that the message is as you want it to be.

- Step 10** Select a message format (HTML, Text, or HTML/Text).
- Step 11** Specify the address to which bounced notifications will be sent.
- Step 12** (Optional) Select **Consolidate messages sent to the same LDAP user at different addresses**.
- Step 13** Set the notification schedule.
- Step 14** Submit and commit your changes.

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### What to do next

To ensure that end users receive these notifications, consider recommending that they add the From: address for the spam quarantine notification emails to the “allowed list” in the junk mail settings of their mail application (such as Microsoft Outlook or Mozilla Thunderbird.)

### Related Topics

- [Recipient Email Mailing List Aliases and Spam Notifications](#) , on page 293
- [Testing Notifications](#), on page 293
- [Troubleshooting Spam Notifications](#) , on page 293

## Recipient Email Mailing List Aliases and Spam Notifications

Notifications can be sent to each Envelope Recipient that has quarantined email, including mailing lists and other aliases. Each mailing list receives a single digest. If you send notifications to a mailing list, all subscribers to the list will receive the notification. Users who belong to multiple email aliases, or who belong to LDAP groups that receive notifications, or who use several email addresses, may receive multiple spam notifications. The following table shows example situations in which users may receive multiple notifications.

**Table 71: Notifications per Address/Alias**

| User | Email Addresses                    | Aliases   | Notifications |
|------|------------------------------------|---|---------------|
| Sam  | sam@example.com                    | —   | 1             |
| Mary | mary@example.com                   | dev@example.com<br>qa@example.com<br>pm@example.com | 4             |
| Joe  | joe@example.com, admin@example.com | hr@example.com                                      | 3             |

If you use LDAP authentication, you can choose not to send notifications to mailing list aliases. Or, if you choose to send spam notifications to mailing list aliases, you can prevent some occurrences of multiple notifications.

Users who access the spam quarantine by clicking a link in a notification will not see quarantined messages for any other aliases that the end-user may have, unless the appliance is using a spam quarantine alias consolidation query for email notifications. If the notification was sent to a distribution list that is expanded after processing by the appliance, then multiple recipients may have access to the same quarantine for that list.

This means that all subscribers to a mailing list will receive the notification and can log in to the quarantine to release or delete messages. In this case, end users visiting the quarantine to view messages mentioned in a notification may find that those messages have already been deleted by other users.



**Note** If you do not use LDAP and you do not want your end users to receive multiple email notifications, consider disabling notifications and instead allow end users to access the quarantine directly and authenticate via LDAP or POP/IMAP.

## Testing Notifications

You can test notifications by configuring a testing mail policy, and having spam quarantined for just a single user. Then, configure the spam quarantine notification settings: Select the **Enable Spam Notification** checkbox and do not select **Enable End-User Quarantine Access**. Then only the administrator configured in the **Deliver Bounced Messages To** field is notified of new spam in the quarantine.

## Troubleshooting Spam Notifications

### Related Topics

- [User Receives Multiple Notifications](#) , on page 294

- [Recipient Does Not Receive Notifications](#) , on page 294
- [User Receives Multiple Notifications](#) , on page 294
- [Recipient Does Not Receive Notifications](#) , on page 294

### User Receives Multiple Notifications

#### Problem

A user receives multiple spam notifications for a single message.

#### Solution

Possible causes:

- The user has multiple email addresses and the spam message was sent to more than one of those addresses.
- The user is a member of one or more email aliases that received the spam message. To minimize duplications, and for more information, see [Recipient Email Mailing List Aliases and Spam Notifications](#) , on page 293.

### Recipient Does Not Receive Notifications

#### Problem

Recipient is not receiving spam notifications.

#### Solution

- If notifications are being sent to the “Deliver Bounce Messages To:” address instead of to spam recipients, this means that spam notifications are enabled, but spam quarantine access is not enabled. See [Authentication Options for End Users Accessing Spam Management Features](#) , on page 286.
- Have the user check the junk mail settings of their email client.
- Check for issues with the appliance or server that you specified for **Deliver Messages Via** in [Enabling and Configuring the Spam Quarantine on the Legacy Web Interface](#) , on page 266.

## Managing Messages in the Spam Quarantine

This section explains how to work with messages in local or external spam quarantines.

Administrative users can see and manage all messages in the spam quarantine.

#### Related Topics

- [Accessing the Spam Quarantine \(Administrative Users\)](#), on page 295
- [Searching for Messages in the Spam Quarantine](#), on page 295
- [Viewing Messages in the Spam Quarantine](#), on page 296
- [Delivering Messages in the Spam Quarantine](#), on page 296
- [Deleting Messages from the Spam Quarantine](#), on page 296

## Accessing the Spam Quarantine (Administrative Users)

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### Procedure

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- Step 1** [New Web Interface Only] On the Security Management appliance, choose **Quarantine > Spam Quarantine > Search**.
- Step 2** Select **Email > Message Quarantine > Spam Quarantine**, then click the **Spam Quarantine** link.
- The spam quarantine opens in a separate browser window.
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## Searching for Messages in the Spam Quarantine

### Procedure

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- Step 1** Specify an envelope recipient.
- Note** You can enter a partial address.
- Step 2** Select whether the search results should match the exact recipient you entered, or whether the results should contain, start with, or end with your entry.
- Step 3** Enter a date range to search through. Click the calendar icons to select a date.
- Step 4** Specify a From: address, and select whether the search results should contain, match exactly, start with, or end with the value you entered.
- Step 5** Click **Search**. Messages matching your search criteria are displayed below the Search section of the page.
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### What to do next

#### Related Topics

[Searching Very Large Message Collections, on page 295](#)

## Searching Very Large Message Collections

If you have a very large collection of messages in the spam quarantine, and if your search terms are not narrowly defined, your query may take a very long time to return information, or it may time out.

You will be prompted to confirm whether you want to resubmit your search. Please note that having multiple large searches running simultaneously can impact performance.

## Viewing Messages in the Spam Quarantine

The message listing shows messages in the spam quarantine. You can select how many messages are shown at one time. You can sort the display by clicking on the column headings. Click the same column again to reverse the sorting.

Click the subject of a message to view the message, including the body and headers. The message is displayed in the Message Details page. The first 20K of the message is displayed. If the message is longer, it is truncated at 20K and you can download the message via the link at the bottom of the message.

From the Message Details page you can delete a message (select **Delete**) or select **Release** to release the message. Releasing a message causes it to be delivered.

To view additional details about the message, click the **Message Tracking** link.

Note the following:

- **Viewing Messages with Attachments**

When viewing a message that includes an attachment, the body of the message is displayed, followed by a list of attachments.

In the new web interface, if a message includes an attachment, you can view the details of the attachment in the Attachments section of the message.

- **Viewing HTML Messages**

The spam quarantine attempts to render an approximation of HTML-based messages. Images are not displayed.

- **Viewing Encoded Messages**

Base64-encoded messages are decoded and then displayed.

## Delivering Messages in the Spam Quarantine

To release a message for delivery, click the checkbox next to the message or messages that you want to release and select **Release** from the drop-down menu. Then click **Submit**.

Click the checkbox in the heading row to automatically select all messages currently displayed on the page.

Released messages proceed directly to the destination queue, skipping any further work queue processing in the email pipeline.

## Deleting Messages from the Spam Quarantine

The spam quarantine can be configured to automatically delete messages after a certain amount of time. Also, the spam quarantine can be configured to automatically delete the oldest messages once the quarantine has reached its maximum size. You may also delete messages from the spam quarantine manually.

To delete specific messages, click the checkbox next to the messages that you want to delete and then select **Delete** from the drop-down menu. Then click **Submit**. Click the checkbox in the heading row to automatically select all of the messages currently displayed on the page.

To delete all messages in the spam quarantine, disable the quarantine (see [About Disabling the External Spam Quarantine](#), on page 297) and then click the **Delete All Messages** link. The number in parenthesis at the end of the link is the number of messages in the spam quarantine.



## Disk Space for the Spam Quarantine

Available disk space for the quarantine varies by appliance model. See [Viewing Disk Space, Quotas and Usage](#) , on page 495.

By default, messages in the spam quarantine are automatically deleted after a set amount of time. If the quarantine gets full, older spam is deleted. To change this setting, see [Enabling and Configuring the Spam Quarantine on the Legacy Web Interface](#) , on page 266.

### Related Topics

## About Disabling the External Spam Quarantine

If you disable the spam quarantine:

- If messages are present in the spam quarantine when it is disabled, you can opt to delete all of the messages.
- Any mail policies set to quarantine spam or suspected spam will instead be set to deliver the message. You may need to adjust mail policies on the Email Security appliance.
- To completely disable an external spam quarantine, disable it on both the Email Security appliance and the Security Management appliance.

Disabling an external spam quarantine on the Email Security appliance only does not delete the external quarantine or its messages and data.

## Troubleshooting Spam Quarantine Features

- [Troubleshooting Safelists and Blocklists](#), on page 284
- [Troubleshooting Spam Notifications](#) , on page 293





## CHAPTER 9

# Centralized Policy, Virus, and Outbreak Quarantines

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This chapter contains the following sections:

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- [Centralizing Policy, Virus, and Outbreak Quarantines](#) , on page 301
- [Managing Policy, Virus, and Outbreak Quarantines](#), on page 308
- [Working with Messages in Policy, Virus, or Outbreak Quarantines](#), on page 317
- [Troubleshooting Centralized Policy Quarantines](#) , on page 325

## Overview of Centralized Quarantines

Messages processed by certain filters, policies, and scanning operations on an Email Security appliance can be placed into quarantines to temporarily hold them for further action. You can centralize quarantines from multiple Email Security appliances on a Cisco Content Security Management appliance.

Benefits of centralizing quarantines include the following:

- You can manage quarantined messages from multiple Email Security appliances in one location.
- Quarantined messages are stored behind the firewall instead of in the DMZ, reducing security risk.
- Centralized quarantines can be backed up as part of the standard backup functionality on the Security Management appliance.

Anti-virus scanning, Outbreak Filters, and Advanced Malware Protection (File Analysis) each have a single dedicated quarantine. You create policy quarantines to hold messages that are caught by message filtering, content filtering, and Data Loss Prevention policies.

The Policy, Virus and Outbreak Quarantines section in the legacy web interface is labeled as Other Quarantines in the new web interface. For more information, see [Viewing Messages in Quarantines](#) , on page 317.

For additional information about quarantines, see the documentation for your Email Security appliance.

## Quarantine Types

| Quarantine Type             | Quarantine Name                      | Created by the System by Default? | Description  | More Information  |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|---|
| Advanced Malware Protection | File Analysis                        | Yes                               | Holds messages that are sent for file analysis, until a verdict is returned.   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Managing Policy, Virus, and Outbreak Quarantines</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Working with Messages in Policy, Virus, or Outbreak Quarantines</a></li> </ul> |
| Virus                       | Virus                                | Yes                               | Holds messages that may be transmitting malware, as determined by the anti-virus engine.   |   |
| Outbreak                    | Outbreak                             | Yes                               | Holds messages caught by Outbreak Filters as potentially being spam or malware.  |   |
| Policy                      | Policy                               | Yes                               | Holds messages caught by message filters, content filters, and DLP message actions.<br><br>A default Policy quarantine has been created for you.   |   |
|                             | Unclassified                         | Yes                               | Holds messages only if a quarantine that is specified in a message filter, content filter, or DLP message action has been deleted.<br><br>You cannot assign this quarantine to any filter or message action. |   |
|                             | (Policy quarantines that you create) | No                                | Policy quarantines that you create for use in message filters, content filters, and DLP message actions.   |   |

| Quarantine Type | Quarantine Name | Created by the System by Default? | Description  | More Information                             |
|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------------------------|--|--|
| Spam            | Spam            | Yes                               | <p>Holds spam or suspected spam messages for the message's recipient or an administrator to review.</p> <p>The spam quarantine is not included in the group of policy, virus, and outbreak quarantines and is managed separately from all other quarantines.</p> | <a href="#">Spam Quarantine, on page 265</a> |

## Centralizing Policy, Virus, and Outbreak Quarantines

### Procedure

|               | Command or Action  | Purpose   |
|---------------|--|---|
| <b>Step 1</b> | If your Email Security appliance is in your DMZ and your Security Management appliance is behind your firewall, open a port in the firewall to allow the appliances to exchange centralized policy, virus, and outbreak quarantine data.   | <a href="#">Firewall Information, on page 569</a>   |
| <b>Step 2</b> | On the Security Management appliance, enable the feature.  | <a href="#">Enabling Centralized Policy, Virus, and Outbreak Quarantines on the Security Management Appliance , on page 303</a>   |
| <b>Step 3</b> | On the Security Management appliance, allocate disk space for non-spam quarantines.  | <a href="#">Managing Disk Space , on page 494</a>   |
| <b>Step 4</b> | <p>(Optional)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Create centralized policy quarantines on the Security Management appliance with desired settings.</li> <li>• Configure settings for the centralized virus and outbreak quarantines, and for the default policy quarantines.</li> </ul> <p>If you configure these settings before migration, you can refer to the existing</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Configuring Policy, Virus, and Outbreak Quarantines , on page 311</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Checking the Settings of System-Created Quarantines , on page 311.</a></li> </ul> |

|               | Command or Action   | Purpose   |
|---------------|---|---|
|               | <p>settings on your Email Security appliances.</p> <p>You can also create required quarantines while configuring custom migration, or quarantines will be created for you during automatic migration. All quarantines created during migration have default settings.</p> <p>Local quarantine settings are not retained in the centralized quarantine, even if the quarantine name is the same.</p>   |   |
| <b>Step 5</b> | <p>On the Security Management appliance, add Email Security appliances to manage, or select the Policy, Virus and Outbreak Quarantines option from the centralized services of an already-added appliance.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If your Email Security appliances are clustered, all appliances that belong to a particular level (machine, group, or cluster) must be added to the Security Management appliance before you enable centralized Policy, Virus and Outbreak Quarantines on any Email Security appliance in the cluster.</li> </ul> | <p><a href="#">Adding the Centralized Policy, Virus, and Outbreak Quarantine Service to Each Managed Email Security Appliance, on page 304</a></p>  |
| <b>Step 6</b> | Commit your changes.  |   |
| <b>Step 7</b> | On the Security Management appliance, configure migration of existing policy quarantines from Email Security appliances.  | <p><a href="#">Configuring Migration of Policy, Virus, and Outbreak Quarantines , on page 305</a></p>   |
| <b>Step 8</b> | <p>On an Email Security appliance, enable the centralized policy, virus, and outbreak quarantines feature.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Important</b> If you have policy, virus, and outbreak quarantines configured on an Email Security appliance, migration of quarantines and all their messages begins as soon as you commit this change.</li> </ul>  | <p>See the “Centralizing Services on a Cisco Content Security Management appliance” chapter in the documentation for your Email Security appliance, specifically the following sections:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• “About Migration of Policy, Virus, and Outbreak Quarantines”</li> <li>• “Centralizing Policy, Virus, and Outbreak Quarantines”</li> </ul> |
| <b>Step 9</b> | <p>Migrate additional Email Security appliances.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Only one migration process can be in progress at any time. Do not enable centralized policy, virus, and outbreak</li> </ul>   |   |

|                | Command or Action   | Purpose   |
|----------------|---|---|
|                | quarantines on another Email Security appliance until the previous migration is complete.   |   |
| <b>Step 10</b> | Edit centralized quarantine settings as needed. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Quarantines created during migration are created with default settings, not the settings in the originating local quarantines, even if the centralized and local quarantine names are the same.</li> </ul>   | <a href="#">Configuring Policy, Virus, and Outbreak Quarantines</a> , on page 311   |
| <b>Step 11</b> | If message filters, content filters, and DLP message actions could not be automatically updated with the names of centralized quarantines, manually update those configurations on your Email Security appliances. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In cluster configurations, filters and message actions can be automatically updated on a particular level only if filters and message actions are defined at that level.</li> </ul> | See the documentation for message filters, content filters, and DLP Message Actions in the online help or user guide for your Email Security appliance. |
| <b>Step 12</b> | (Recommended) Specify an Email Security appliance to process released messages if the originating appliance is not available.   | <a href="#">Designating an Alternate Appliance to Process Released Messages</a> , on page 307   |
| <b>Step 13</b> | If you delegate administration to custom user roles, you may need to configure access in a certain way.   | <a href="#">Configuring Centralized Quarantine Access for Custom User Roles</a>   |

## Enabling Centralized Policy, Virus, and Outbreak Quarantines on the Security Management Appliance

### Before you begin

Complete any steps preceding this procedure in the table in [Centralizing Policy, Virus, and Outbreak Quarantines](#) , on page 301.

### Procedure

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- Step 1** Choose **Management Appliance > Centralized Services > Policy, Virus, and Outbreak Quarantines**.
- Step 2** Click **Enable**.
- Step 3** Specify the interface and port for communication with Email Security appliances:

- Accept the default selections unless you have reason to change them.
- If your Email Security appliances are not on the same network as your Security Management appliance, then you must use the Management interface.
- Use the same port that you opened in the firewall.

**Step 4** Click **Submit**.

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#### What to do next

Return to the next step in the table in [Centralizing Policy, Virus, and Outbreak Quarantines](#) , on page 301.

## Enabling Centralized Policy, Virus, and Outbreak Quarantines on the New Web Interface of the Appliance

#### Before you begin

Complete any steps preceding this procedure in the table in [Centralizing Policy, Virus, and Outbreak Quarantines](#) , on page 301.

#### Procedure

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**Step 1** On the Security Management appliance, click **Service Status**, hover on the  icon corresponding to **Other Quarantine**, and click **Edit Settings**.

**Step 2** Click **Enable** once you are redirected to the legacy interface.

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## Adding the Centralized Policy, Virus, and Outbreak Quarantine Service to Each Managed Email Security Appliance


To see an consolidated view of all quarantines on all Email Security appliances, consider adding all Email Security appliances before centralizing any quarantines.

#### Before you begin

Make sure you have completed all procedures to this point in the table in [Centralizing Policy, Virus, and Outbreak Quarantines](#) , on page 301.

#### Procedure

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**Step 1** [New Web Interface Only] On the Security Management appliance, click  to load the legacy web interface.

**Step 2** Choose **Management Appliance > Centralized Services > Security Appliances**.



- Step 3** If you have already added the Email Security appliance to the list on this page:
- Click the name of an Email Security appliance.
  - Select the **Policy, Virus, and Outbreak Quarantines** service.
- Step 4** If you have not yet added the Email Security appliance:
- Click Add Email Appliance.
  - In the Appliance Name and IP Address text fields, enter the appliance name and the IP address for the Management interface of the appliance you are adding.  
**Note** If you enter a DNS name in the IP Address text field, it will be immediately resolved to an IP address when you click **Submit**.
  - The Policy, Virus and Outbreak Quarantines service is pre-selected.
  - Click **Establish Connection**.
  - Enter the user name and passphrase for an administrator account on the appliance to be managed, and then click **Establish Connection**.  
**Note** You enter the login credentials to pass a public SSH key for file transfers from the Security Management appliance to the remote appliance. The login credentials are not stored on the Security Management appliance.
  - Wait for the Success message to appear above the table on the page.
- Step 5** Click **Submit**.
- Step 6** Repeat this procedure for each Email Security appliance for which you want to enable Centralized Policy, Virus, and Outbreak Quarantines.  
For example, add the other appliances in the cluster.
- Step 7** Commit your changes.

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### What to do next

Return to the next step in the table in [Centralizing Policy, Virus, and Outbreak Quarantines](#), on page 301.


## Configuring Migration of Policy, Virus, and Outbreak Quarantines

### Before you begin

- Make sure that you have completed all procedures to this point in the table in [Centralizing Policy, Virus, and Outbreak Quarantines](#), on page 301
- For caveats and information about the migration process, see the “About Migration of Policy, Virus, and Outbreak Quarantines” section in the “Centralizing Services on a Cisco Content Security Management appliance” chapter in the documentation for your Email Security appliance.

### Procedure

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- Step 1** [New Web Interface Only] On the Security Management appliance, click  to load the legacy web interface.
- Step 2** Choose **Management Appliance > Centralized Services > Policy, Virus, and Outbreak Quarantines**.

**Step 3** Click **Launch Migration Wizard**.

**Step 4** Choose a migration method:

| If  | Choose    | Additional Information  |
|---|-----------|---|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• You want to migrate all existing policy quarantines from all associated Email Security appliances, and</li> <li>• Policy quarantines with the same names have identical settings on all Email Security appliances, and</li> <li>• You want to merge all policy quarantines with the same name on all Email Security appliances into a single centralized policy quarantine having that name.</li> </ul>  | Automatic | <p>All centralized policy quarantines that are created using this process are automatically configured with default settings, regardless of the settings in the quarantines with the same names on the Email Security appliance.</p> <p>You must update those settings after migration.</p> |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Policy quarantines with the same names have different settings on different Email Security appliances and you want to maintain the differences,</li> <li>or</li> <li>• You want to migrate some local quarantines and delete all others,</li> <li>or</li> <li>• You want to migrate local quarantines to centralized quarantines with different names</li> <li>or</li> <li>• You want to merge local quarantines with different names into a single centralized quarantine.</li> </ul> | Custom    | <p>Any centralized policy quarantines that you create during migration, instead of before migration, will be configured with the default settings for new quarantines.</p> <p>You should update those settings after migration.</p>   |

**Step 5** Click **Next**.

**Step 6** If you selected **Automatic**:

Verify that the policy quarantines to be migrated and other information on this page match your expectations. Virus, Outbreak, and File Analysis quarantines will also be migrated.

**Step 7** If you selected **Custom**:

- To select whether to show quarantines from all Email Security appliances or just one., choose an option from the **Show Quarantines from:** list.

- Select which local policy quarantines move to each centralized policy quarantine.
- Create additional centralized policy quarantines as needed. These will have default settings.
- Quarantine names are case-sensitive.
- Any quarantines remaining in the table on the left will not be migrated and will be deleted from the Email Security appliance upon migration.
- You can change the quarantine mapping by selecting a quarantine from the table on the right and clicking **Remove from Centralized Quarantine**.

- Step 8** Click **Next** as needed.
- Step 9** Submit and commit your changes.
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### What to do next

Return to the next step in the table in [Centralizing Policy, Virus, and Outbreak Quarantines](#), on page 301.

## Designating an Alternate Appliance to Process Released Messages

Normally, when a message is released from a centralized quarantine, the Security Management appliance returns it for processing to the Email Security appliance that originally sent it to the centralized quarantine.


If the Email Security appliance that originated a message is not available, a different Email Security appliance can process and deliver released messages. You designate the appliance for this purpose.

### Before you begin

- Verify that the alternate appliance can process and deliver released messages as expected. For example, configurations for encryption and antivirus rescanning should match the same configurations on your primary appliances.
- The alternate appliance must be fully configured for centralized policy, virus, and outbreak quarantines. Complete the steps in the table in [Centralizing Policy, Virus, and Outbreak Quarantines](#), on page 301 for that appliance.

### Procedure

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- Step 1** [New Web Interface Only] On the Security Management appliance, click  to load the legacy web interface.
- Step 2** Choose **Management Appliance > Centralized Services > Security Appliances**.
- Step 3** Click the **Specify Alternate Release Appliance** button.
- Step 4** Choose an Email Security appliance.
- Step 5** Submit and commit your changes.
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**What to do next****Related Topics**

[Releasing Messages When an Email Security Appliance Is Unavailable](#) , on page 308

## Configuring Centralized Quarantine Access for Custom User Roles

In order to allow administrators with custom user roles to specify centralized policy quarantines in message and content filters and in DLP message actions on the Email Security appliance, you must grant those users access to the relevant policy quarantines on the Security Management appliance, and the custom user role names that you create on the Security Management appliance must match those on the Email Security appliance.

**Related Topics**

- [Creating Custom Email User Roles](#) , on page 404

## Disabling Centralized Policy, Virus, and Outbreak Quarantines

Generally, if you need to disable these centralized quarantines, you should do so on the Email Security appliance.

For information about disabling centralized policy, virus, and outbreak quarantines, including a list of impacts of doing so, see the online help or documentation for your Email Security appliance.

## Releasing Messages When an Email Security Appliance Is Unavailable

Normally, when a message is released from a centralized quarantine, the Security Management appliance returns it for processing to the Email Security appliance that originally sent it to the centralized quarantine.

If the Email Security appliance that originated a message is not available, a different Email Security appliance can process and deliver released messages. You should designate an alternate release appliance for this purpose.

If the alternate appliance is unavailable, you can specify a different Email Security appliance as the alternate release appliance and that appliance will process and deliver queued messages.

After repeated unsuccessful attempts to reach an Email Security appliance, you will receive an alert.

**Related Topics**

- [Designating an Alternate Appliance to Process Released Messages](#), on page 307

## Managing Policy, Virus, and Outbreak Quarantines

- [Disk Space Allocation for Policy, Virus, and Outbreak Quarantines](#) , on page 309
- [Retention Time for Messages in Quarantines](#) , on page 309
- [Default Actions for Automatically Processed Quarantined Messages](#) , on page 310
- [Checking the Settings of System-Created Quarantines](#) , on page 311
- [Configuring Policy, Virus, and Outbreak Quarantines](#) , on page 311
- [About Editing Policy, Virus, and Outbreak Quarantine Settings](#) , on page 313
- [Determining the Filters and Message Actions to Which a Policy Quarantine Is Assigned](#) , on page 313
- [About Deleting Policy Quarantines](#) , on page 313

- [Monitoring Quarantine Status, Capacity, and Activity](#) , on page 314
- [Alerts About Quarantine Disk-Space Usage](#) , on page 316
- [Policy Quarantines and Logging](#) , on page 316
- [About Distributing Message Processing Tasks to Other Users](#) , on page 316

## Disk Space Allocation for Policy, Virus, and Outbreak Quarantines

For information about allocating disk space, see [Managing Disk Space](#) , on page 494.

Messages in multiple quarantines consume the same amount of disk space as a message in a single quarantine.

If Outbreak Filters and Centralized Quarantines are both enabled:

- All disk space on the Email Security appliance that would have been allocated to local policy, virus, and outbreak quarantines is used instead to hold copies of messages in the Outbreak quarantine, in order to scan those messages each time outbreak rules are updated.
- The disk space on the Security Management appliance for messages in the Outbreak quarantine from a particular managed Email Security appliance may be limited by the amount of available disk space for quarantined messages on that Email Security appliance.
- For more information about this situation, see [Retention Time for Messages in Quarantines](#) , on page 309

### Related Topics

- [Monitoring Quarantine Status, Capacity, and Activity](#) , on page 314
- [Alerts About Quarantine Disk-Space Usage](#) , on page 316
- [Retention Time for Messages in Quarantines](#) , on page 309

## Retention Time for Messages in Quarantines

Messages are automatically removed from the quarantine under the following circumstances:

- Normal Expiration—the configured retention time is met for a message in the quarantine. You specify a retention time for messages in each quarantine. Each message has its own specific expiration time, displayed in the quarantine listing. Messages are stored for the amount of time specified unless another circumstance described in this topic occurs.



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**Note** The normal retention time for messages in the Outbreak Filters quarantine is configured in the Outbreak Filters section of each mail policy, not in the outbreak quarantine.

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- Early Expiration—messages are forced from quarantines before the configured retention time is reached. This can happen when:
  - The size limit for all quarantines, as defined in [Disk Space Allocation for Policy, Virus, and Outbreak Quarantines](#) , on page 309, is reached.

If the size limit is reached, the oldest messages, regardless of quarantine, are processed and the default action is performed for each message, until the size of all quarantines is again less than the

size limit. The policy is First In First Out (FIFO). Messages in multiple quarantines will be expired based on their latest expiration time.

(Optional) You can configure individual quarantines to be exempt from release or deletion because of insufficient disk space. If you configure all quarantines to be exempt and the disk space reaches capacity messages will be held on the Email Security appliance until space is available on the Security Management appliance.

Because the Security Management appliance does not scan messages, a copy of each message in the centralized outbreak quarantine is stored on the Email Security appliance that originally processed the message. This allows the Email Security appliance to rescan quarantined messages each time outbreak filter rules are updated, and tell the Security Management appliance to release messages that are no longer deemed a threat. Both copies of the outbreak quarantine should hold the same set of messages at all times. Therefore, in the rare situation when disk space on the Email Security appliance becomes full, then the copies of messages in the Outbreak quarantine on both appliances will expire early, even if the centralized quarantine still has space.

You will receive alerts at disk-space milestones. See [Alerts About Quarantine Disk-Space Usage](#), on page 316.

- You delete a quarantine that still holds messages.

When a message is automatically removed from a quarantine, the default action is performed on that message. See [Default Actions for Automatically Processed Quarantined Messages](#), on page 310.


**Note**

In addition to the above scenarios, messages can be automatically removed from quarantine based on the result of scanning operations (outbreak filters or file analysis.)

**Effects of Time Adjustments on Retention Time**

- Daylight savings time and appliance time zone changes do not affect the retention period.
- If you change the retention time of a quarantine, only new messages will have the new expiration time.
- If the system clock is changed, messages that should have expired in the past will expire at the next most appropriate time.
- System clock changes do not apply to messages that are in the process of being expired.

## Default Actions for Automatically Processed Quarantined Messages

The default action is performed on messages in a policy, virus, or outbreak quarantine when any situation described in [Retention Time for Messages in Quarantines](#), on page 309, occurs.

There are two primary default actions:

- Delete—The message is deleted.
- Release—The message is released for delivery.

Upon release, messages may be rescanned for threats. For more information, see [About Rescanning of Quarantined Messages](#), on page 323.

In addition, messages released before their expected retention time has passed can have additional operations performed on them, such as adding an X-Header. For more information, see [Configuring Policy, Virus, and Outbreak Quarantines](#), on page 311.

Messages released from a centralized quarantine are returned to the originating Email Security appliance for processing.

## Checking the Settings of System-Created Quarantines

Before you use quarantines, customize the settings of the default quarantines, including the Unclassified quarantine.

### Related Topics

- [Configuring Policy, Virus, and Outbreak Quarantines](#) , on page 311

## Configuring Policy, Virus, and Outbreak Quarantines

### Before you begin

- If you are editing an existing quarantine, see [About Editing Policy, Virus, and Outbreak Quarantine Settings](#) , on page 313.
- Understand how messages in quarantines are automatically managed, including retention times and default actions. See [Retention Time for Messages in Quarantines](#) , on page 309, and [Default Actions for Automatically Processed Quarantined Messages](#) , on page 310.
- Determine which users you want to have access to each quarantine, and create users and custom user roles accordingly. For details, see [Which User Groups Can Access Policy, Virus, and Outbreak Quarantines](#) , on page 316.

### Procedure

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- Step 1** You can configure Policy, Virus, and Outbreak Quarantines in any one of the following ways:
- [ New Web Interface Only] Choose **Quarantine > Other Quarantine > View > +**.
  - Choose **Email > Message Quarantine > Policy, Virus, and Outbreak Quarantines** and do one of the following:
    - Click **Add Policy Quarantine**.
    - Click a quarantine to edit.
- Step 2** Enter the following information:
- Keep the following in mind:
- Changing the retention time of the File Analysis quarantine from the default of one hour is not recommended.
  - If you do *not* want messages in this quarantine to be processed before the end of the Retention Period you specify, even when quarantine disk space is full, deselect **Free up space by applying default action on messages upon space overflow**.
- Do not select this option for all quarantines. The system must be able to make space by deleting messages from at least one quarantine.

- If you select **Release** as the default action, you can specify additional actions to apply to messages that are released before their retention period has passed:

| Option            | Information   |
|-------------------|---|
| Modify Subject    | Type the text to add and specify whether to add it to the beginning or the end of the original message subject.<br><br>For example, you might want to warn the recipient that the message may contain inappropriate content.<br><br><b>Note</b> In order for a subject with non-ASCII characters to display correctly it must be represented according to RFC 2047. |
| Add X-Header      | An X-Header can provide a record of actions taken on a message. This can be helpful for example when handling inquiries about why a particular message was delivered.<br><br>Enter a name and value.<br><br>Example:<br>Name = Inappropriate-release-early<br>Value = True  |
| Strip Attachments | Stripping attachments protects against viruses that may be in such files.   |

**Step 3** Specify the users who can access this quarantine:

| User                           | Information   |
|--------------------------------|---|
| Local Users                    | The list of local users includes only users with roles that can access quarantines.<br><br>The list excludes users with Administrator privileges, because all Administrators have full access to quarantines. |
| Externally Authenticated Users | You must have configured external authentication.   |
| Custom User Roles              | You see this option only if you have created at least one custom user role with quarantine access.  |

**Step 4** Submit and commit your changes.

### What to do next

See [Message Filters Page, on page 144](#) and [Content Filters Page, on page 145](#)

- If you have not yet migrated quarantines from the Email Security appliance:  
You will assign these quarantines to message and content filters and DLP message actions as part of the migration process.
- If you have already migrated to centralized quarantines:



Make sure your Email Security appliance has message and content filters and DLP message actions that will move messages to the quarantine. See the user guide or online help for the Email Security appliance.


## About Editing Policy, Virus, and Outbreak Quarantine Settings



### Note

- You cannot rename a quarantine.
- See also [Retention Time for Messages in Quarantines](#) , on page 309.

To change quarantine settings, choose **Email > Message Quarantine > Policy, Virus, and Outbreak Quarantines**, and then click the name of a quarantine.


To change quarantine settings on the new web interface, navigate to **Quarantine > Other Quarantine > View** and click  on the required quarantine or

To change quarantine settings on the legacy web interface, choose **Email > Message Quarantine > Policy, Virus, and Outbreak Quarantines**, and then click the name of a quarantine.

## Determining the Filters and Message Actions to Which a Policy Quarantine Is Assigned

You can view the message filters, content filters, Data Loss Prevention (DLP) message actions, and DMARC verification profiles that are associated with a policy quarantine, and the Email Security appliance on which each is configured.

### Procedure



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- Step 1** [New Web Interface Only] On the Security Management appliance, click on **Quarantine > Other Quarantine > View**.
- Step 2** [New Web Interface Only] Select the required quarantine and click on the  button.
- Step 3** Choose **Email > Message Quarantine > Policy, Virus, and Outbreak Quarantines**.
- Step 4** Click the name of the policy quarantine to check.
- Step 5** Scroll to the bottom of the page and view the **Associated Message Filters/Content Filters/DLP Message Actions**.
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## About Deleting Policy Quarantines

- Before you delete a policy quarantine, see if it is associated with any active filters or message actions. See [Determining the Filters and Message Actions to Which a Policy Quarantine Is Assigned](#) , on page 313.
- You can delete a policy quarantine even if it is assigned to a filter or message action.

- If you delete a quarantine that is not empty, the default action defined in the quarantine will be applied to all messages, even if you have selected the option not to delete messages if the disk is full. See [Default Actions for Automatically Processed Quarantined Messages](#), on page 310.
- After you delete the quarantine associated with a filter or message action, any messages subsequently quarantined by that filter or message action will be sent to the Unclassified quarantine. You should customize the default settings of the Unclassified quarantine before you delete quarantines.
- You cannot delete the Unclassified quarantine.

## Monitoring Quarantine Status, Capacity, and Activity

| To View   | Do This   |
|---|---|
| Total space allocated for all non-spam quarantines      | <p>[New Web Interface Only] On the Security Management appliance, click  to load the legacy web interface.</p> <p>Choose <b>Management Appliance &gt; Centralized Services &gt; Policy, Virus, and Outbreak Quarantines</b> and look in the first section on the page.</p> <p>To change allocations, see <a href="#">Managing Disk Space</a>, on page 494.</p> |
| Currently available space for all non-spam quarantines  | <p>[New Web Interface Only] Choose <b>Quarantine &gt; Other Quarantine</b>.</p> <p>or</p> <p>Choose <b>Email &gt; Message Quarantine &gt; Policy, Virus, and Outbreak Quarantines</b> and look just below the table.</p> <p>The available space for policy, virus and outbreak quarantine is displayed above the table in the Quarantines section</p>   |
| Total amount of space currently used by all quarantines | <p>[New Web Interface Only] On the Security Management appliance, click  to load the legacy web interface.</p> <p>Choose <b>Management Appliance &gt; Centralized Services &gt; System Status</b>.</p>  |
| Amount of space currently used by each quarantine       | <p>[New Web Interface Only] Choose <b>Quarantines Quarantine &gt; Other Quarantine &gt; View</b>.</p> <p>The table displays the amount of space currently used by each quarantine.</p> <p>or</p> <p>Choose <b>Email &gt; Message Quarantine &gt; Policy, Virus, and Outbreak Quarantines</b>, click the quarantine name, and look for this information in the table row directly below the quarantine name.</p>                                 |

| To View  | Do This  |
|--|--|
| Total number of messages currently in all quarantines  | <p>[New Web Interface Only] On the Security Management appliance, click  to load the legacy web interface.</p> <p>Choose <b>Management Appliance &gt; Centralized Services &gt; System Status</b>.</p>  |
| Number of messages currently in each quarantine  | <p>[New Web Interface Only] Choose <b>Quarantines Quarantine &gt; Other Quarantine &gt; View</b>.</p> <p>The table displays the total number of messages currently available for each quarantine.</p> <p>or</p> <p>Choose <b>Email &gt; Message Quarantine &gt; Policy, Virus, and Outbreak Quarantines</b> and look at the table row for the quarantine.</p>  |
| Total CPU usage by all quarantines   | <p>[New Web Interface Only] On the Security Management appliance, click  to load the legacy web interface.</p> <p>Choose <b>Management Appliance &gt; Centralized Services &gt; System Status</b> and look in the System Information section.</p>   |
| Date and time when the last message entered each quarantine (excluding moves between policy quarantines) | <p>[New Web Interface Only] Choose <b>Quarantines &gt; Other Quarantine &gt; View</b>.</p> <p>The table displays the date and time when the last message was quarantined.</p> <p>or</p> <p>Choose <b>Email &gt; Message Quarantine &gt; Policy, Virus, and Outbreak Quarantines</b> and look at the table row for the quarantine.</p>  |
| Date a policy quarantine was created   | <p>[New Web Interface Only] On the Security Management appliance, click  to load the legacy web interface.</p> <p>Choose <b>Email &gt; Message Quarantine &gt; Policy, Virus, and Outbreak Quarantines</b>, click the quarantine name, and look for this information in the table row directly below the quarantine name.</p> <p>Creation date and creator name are not available for system-created quarantines.</p> |
| Name of policy quarantine creator  |  |
| Filters and message actions associated with a policy quarantine  | See <a href="#">Determining the Filters and Message Actions to Which a Policy Quarantine Is Assigned</a> , on page 313.  |

## Alerts About Quarantine Disk-Space Usage

An alert is sent whenever the total size of the policy, virus, and outbreak quarantine reaches or passes 75 percent, 85 percent, and 95 percent of its capacity. The check is performed when a message is placed in the quarantine. For example, if adding a message to a quarantine increases the size to or past 75 percent of the total capacity, an alert is sent.

## Policy Quarantines and Logging

AsyncOS individually logs all messages that are quarantined:

Info: MID 482 quarantined to "Policy" (message filter:policy\_violation)

The message filter or Outbreak Filters feature rule that caused the message to be quarantined is placed in parentheses. A separate log entry is generated for each quarantine in which the message is placed.

AsyncOS also individually logs messages that are removed from quarantine:

Info: MID 483 released from quarantine "Policy" (queue full)

Info: MID 484 deleted from quarantine "Anti-Virus" (expired)

The system individually logs messages after they are removed from all quarantines and either permanently deleted or scheduled for delivery, for example

Info: MID 483 released from all quarantines

Info: MID 484 deleted from all quarantines

When a message is re-injected, the system creates a new Message object with a new Message ID (MID). This is logged using an existing log message with a new MID “byline”, for example:

Info: MID 483 rewritten to 513 by Policy Quarantine

## About Distributing Message Processing Tasks to Other Users

You can distribute message review and processing tasks to other administrative users. For example:

- The Human Resources team can review and manage the Policy Quarantine.
- The Legal team can manage the Confidential Material Quarantine.

You assign access privileges to these users when you specify settings for a quarantine. In order to add users to quarantines, the users must already exist.

Each user may have access to all, some, or none of the quarantines. A user who is not authorized to view a quarantine will not see any indication of its existence anywhere in the GUI or CLI listings of quarantines.

### Related Topics

- [Which User Groups Can Access Policy, Virus, and Outbreak Quarantines](#), on page 316
- [Distributing Administrative Tasks](#), on page 399

## Which User Groups Can Access Policy, Virus, and Outbreak Quarantines

When you allow administrative users to access a quarantine, the actions that they can perform depend on their user group:

- Users in the Administrators or Email Administrators groups can create, configure, delete, and centralize quarantines and can manage quarantined messages.
- Users in the Operators, Guests, Read-Only Operators, and Help Desk Users groups, as well as custom user roles with quarantine management privileges, can search for, view, and process messages in a quarantine, but cannot change the quarantine's settings, create, delete, or centralize quarantines. You specify in each quarantine which of these users have access to that quarantine.
- Users in the Technicians group cannot access quarantines.

Access privileges for related features, such as Message Tracking and Data Loss Prevention, also affect the options and information that an administrative user sees on Quarantine pages. For example, if a user does not have access to Message Tracking, that user will not see message tracking information for quarantined messages.

**Note:** To allow custom user roles configured on the Security Management appliance to specify policy quarantines in filters and DLP message actions, see [Configuring Centralized Quarantine Access for Custom User Roles](#), on page 308.

End users do not have see or have access to policy, virus, and outbreak quarantines.


## Working with Messages in Policy, Virus, or Outbreak Quarantines

### Related Topics

- [Viewing Messages in Quarantines](#), on page 317
- [Searching for Messages in Policy, Virus, and Outbreak Quarantines](#), on page 318
- [Manually Processing Messages in a Quarantine](#), on page 319
- [Messages in Multiple Quarantines](#), on page 321
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## Viewing Messages in Quarantines

| To                                | Do This   |
|-----------------------------------|---|
| View all messages in a quarantine | <p>[New Web Interface Only] Choose <b>Quarantine &gt; Other Quarantine &gt; View</b>.</p> <p>or</p> <p>Choose <b>Email &gt; Message Quarantine &gt; Policy, Virus, and Outbreak Quarantines</b>.</p> <p>In the row for the relevant quarantine, click the blue number in the <b>Messages</b> column of the table.</p> |

| To   | Do This   |
|--|---|
| View messages in the Outbreak quarantine                   | [New Web Interface] Choose <b>Quarantine &gt; Other Quarantine &gt; View</b> .<br>or<br>Choose <b>Email &gt; Message Quarantine &gt; Policy, Virus, and Outbreak Quarantines</b> .<br>In the row for the relevant quarantine, click the blue number in the <b>Messages</b> column of the table.<br>See <a href="#">Manage by Rule Summary Link, on page 325</a> or <a href="#">Rule Summary View, on page 324</a> [New Web Interface Only]. |
| Navigate through the list of messages in a quarantine      | Click Previous, Next, a page number, or double-arrow link. The double arrows take you to the first (<<) or last (>>) page in the listing.<br>[New Web Interface Only] Scroll down on the table to display details of all the new messages.  |
| Sort the list of messages in a quarantine                  | Click a column heading (except columns that could include multiple items or the “In quarantines” column).   |
| Resize table columns                                       | Drag the divider between column headings.   |
| Customize table columns                                    | Click  and select the columns to display, and click Close  |
| View the content that caused the message to be quarantined | See <a href="#">Viewing Matched Content</a> , on page 322.  |

**Related Topics**

- [Quarantined Messages and International Character Sets, on page 318](#)

**Quarantined Messages and International Character Sets**

For messages with subjects that contain characters from international character sets (double-byte, variable length, and non-ASCII encoded), the Policy Quarantine pages display subject lines in non-ASCII characters in their decoded form.

**Searching for Messages in Policy, Virus, and Outbreak Quarantines****Note**

- Users can find and see only the messages in quarantines to which they have access.
- Searches in Policy, Virus, and Outbreak quarantines do not find messages in the spam quarantine.

## Procedure

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**Step 1** [New Web Interface Only] Choose **Quarantine > Other Quarantine > Search**.

**Step 2** [New Web Interface Only] Click the blue number link of the corresponding quarantine.

**Tip** [New Web Interface Only] For the Outbreak Quarantine, you can also find all messages quarantined by each outbreak rule: Click the **Rule Summary** tab in the Outbreak quarantine, and then click the relevant rule.

**Step 3** Choose **Email > Message Quarantine > Policy, Virus, and Outbreak Quarantines**.

**Step 4** Click the **Search Across Quarantines** button.

**Tip** For the Outbreak Quarantine, you can also find all messages quarantined by each outbreak rule: Click the **Manage by Rule Summary** link in the Outbreak table row, and then click the relevant rule.

**Step 5** (Optional) Enter other search criteria.

- For Envelope Sender and Envelope Recipient: You can enter any character(s). No validation of your entry is performed.
- Search results include only messages that match *all* of the criteria you specify. For example, if you specify an Envelope Recipient and a Subject, only messages that match the terms specified in both the Envelope Recipient *and* the Subject are returned.

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### What to do next

You can use the search results in the same way that you use the quarantine listings. For more information, see [Manually Processing Messages in a Quarantine, on page 319](#).

For information on modifying your search criteria, see [Modifying Search Criteria, on page 319](#).

## Modifying Search Criteria




You can modify the search criteria to a custom time range or a different quarantine.



To modify the search criteria, click **Modify**.

## Manually Processing Messages in a Quarantine

Manually processing messages means to manually select a Message Action for the message from the Message Actions page.

You can perform the following actions on messages:

- Delete 
- Release 
- Delay Scheduled Exit from quarantine 

- Send a Copy of messages to email addresses that you specify 
- Move a message from one quarantine to another 

Generally, you can perform actions on messages in the lists that are displayed when you do the following. However, not all actions are available in all situations.

- From the list of quarantines on the **Email > Message Quarantine > Policy, Virus, and Outbreak Quarantines** page or [New Web Interface Only] **Quarantine > Other Quarantine > View** page, click the number of messages in a quarantine.
- Click on the check box of the quarantine message and select the required actions.

You can perform these actions on multiple messages at one time by:

- Choosing an option from the pick list at the top of the list of messages.
- Selecting the check box beside each message listed on a page.
- Selecting the check box in the table heading at the top of a list of messages. This applies the action to all messages visible on the screen. Messages on other pages are not affected.

Additional options are available for messages in the outbreak quarantine. See information about the Rule Summary view in the chapter on Outbreak Filters in the online help or user guide for the *AsyncOS for Email Security Appliances*.

#### Related Topics

- [Sending a Copy of the Message, on page 320](#)
- [About Moving Messages Between Policy Quarantines , on page 320](#)
- [Messages in Multiple Quarantines , on page 321](#)
- [Default Actions for Automatically Processed Quarantined Messages , on page 310](#)

## Sending a Copy of the Message

Only users who belong to the Administrators group may send copies of a message.

To send a copy of the message, enter an email address in the Send Copy To: field and click **Submit**. Sending a copy of a message does not cause any other action to be performed on the message.

## About Moving Messages Between Policy Quarantines

You can manually move messages from one policy quarantine to another on a single appliance.

When you move a message to a different quarantine:

- The expiration time is unchanged. The message keeps the retention time of the original quarantine.
- The reason the message was quarantined, including the matched content and other relevant details, does not change.
- If a message is in multiple quarantines and you move the message to a destination that already holds a copy of that message, the expiration time and reason for quarantine of the moved copy of the message overwrite those of the copy of the message that was originally in the destination quarantine.



## Messages in Multiple Quarantines

If a message is present in one or more other quarantines, the “In other quarantines” column in the quarantine message list will show “Yes,” regardless of whether you have permissions to access those other quarantines.

A message in multiple quarantines:

- Is not delivered unless it has been released from all of the quarantines in which it resides. If it is deleted from any quarantine, it will never be delivered.
- Is not deleted from any quarantine until it has been deleted or released from all quarantines in which it resides.

Because a user wanting to release a message may not have access to all of the quarantines in which it resides, the following rules apply:

- A message is not released from any quarantine until it has been released from all of the quarantines in which it resides.
- If a message is marked as Deleted in any quarantine, it cannot be delivered from any other quarantine in which it resides. (It can still be released.)

If a message is queued in multiple quarantines and a user does not have access to one or more of the other quarantines:

- The user will be informed whether the message is present in each of the quarantines to which the user has access.
- The GUI shows only the scheduled exit time from the quarantines to which the user has access. (For a given message, there is a separate exit time for each quarantine.)
- The user will not be told the names of the other quarantine(s) holding the message.
- The user will not see matched content that caused the message to be placed into quarantines that the user does not have access to.
- Releasing a message affects only the queues to which the user has access.
- If the message is also queued in other quarantines not accessible to the user, the message will remain in quarantine, unchanged, until acted upon by users who have the required access to the remaining quarantines (or until the message is released “normally” via early or normal expiration).

## Message Details and Viewing Message Content

Click on the subject line of a message to view that message’s content and to access the Quarantined Message page.

The Quarantined Message page has two sections: Quarantine Details and Message Details.

From the Quarantined Message page, you can read the message, select a Message Action, or send a copy of the message. You can also see if a message will be encrypted upon release from the quarantine due to the Encrypt on Delivery filter action.

The Message Details section displays the message body, message headers, and attachments. Only the first 100 K of the message body is displayed. If the message is longer, the first 100 K is shown, followed by an ellipsis (...). The actual message is not truncated. This is for display purposes only. You can download the message body by clicking [message body] in the Message Parts section at the bottom of Message Details. You can also download any of the message’s attachments by clicking the attachment’s filename.



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**Note** The maximum limit for the attachment downloads on the Message Details page is restricted to 25 MB.

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If you view a message that contains a virus and you have desktop anti-virus software installed on your computer, your anti-virus software may complain that it has found a virus. This is not a threat to your computer and can be safely ignored.

To view additional details about the message, click the **Message Tracking** link.



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**Note** For the special Outbreak quarantine, additional functionality is available. See [The Outbreak Quarantine, on page 324](#).

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#### Related Topics

- [Viewing Matched Content , on page 322](#)
- [Downloading Attachments , on page 323](#)

## Viewing Matched Content

When you configure a quarantine action for messages that match Attachment Content conditions, Message Body or Attachment conditions, Message body conditions, or the Attachment content conditions, you can view the matched content in the quarantined message. When you display the message body, the matched content is highlighted in yellow, except for DLP policy violation matches. You can also use the `$MatchedContent` action variable to include the matched content from message or content filter matches in the message subject.

If the attachment contains the matched content, the attachment's contents are displayed, as well as the reason it was quarantined, whether it was due to a DLP policy violation, content filter condition, message filter condition, or Image Analysis verdict.

When you view messages in the local quarantine that have triggered message or content filter rules, the GUI may display content that did not actually trigger the filter action (along with content that triggered the filter action). The GUI display should be used as a guideline for locating content matches, but does not necessarily reflect an exact list of content matches. This occurs because the GUI uses less strict content matching logic than is used in the filters. This issue applies only to the highlighting in the message body. The table that lists the matched strings in each part of the message, along with the associated filter rule, is correct.

Figure 5: Matched Content Viewed in the Policy Quarantine

The screenshot displays the 'Matched Content' interface. At the top, there is a 'Policy' dropdown menu. Below it is a table with columns for 'Attachment Name', 'Matched Content', and 'Condition'. The first row shows an attachment named 'FP1.1.txt' with a list of email addresses and a condition of 'DLP Classifier: Contact Information'. Below the table is a 'Headers' section showing email metadata such as 'X-IronPort-AV', 'Received', 'From', 'To', 'Subject', 'Date', and 'Content-Type'. At the bottom is a 'Message Parts' table with columns for 'Name', 'Size', and 'Details'. It lists '[message body]' and 'FP1.1.txt'.

| Attachment Name | Matched Content   | Condition                           |
|-----------------|---|-------------------------------------|
| FP1.1.txt       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>MS 38930 USA Facilities 662-646-0523 jsamuelson@acmecorp.com 7/17/06</li> <li>4929132070312710 Acme Corp Irene Gibbs 808 Sumner Street Greenwood</li> <li>MS 38930 USA Publishing 662-646-0522 igibbs@acmecorp.com 2/1/07</li> <li>4485231592071860 Acme Corp Kathy Lopez 808 Sumner Street</li> <li>Greenwood MS 38930 USA Marketing 662-646-0541 klopez@acmecorp.com</li> <li>2/1/07 4716298862510192 Acme Corp Marty Smith 808 Sumner Street</li> <li>Greenwood MS 38930 USA Engineerin 662-646-0547</li> </ul> | DLP Classifier: Contact Information |

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X-IronPort-AV: E=Sophos;i="4.43,282,1246818600";
d="txt?scan'208";a="178202"
Received: from d2.vmw023-bsd04.ibaa (HELO vmw023-bsd04.ibaa) ([172.22.107.1])
by c360a02.ibaa with ESMTP; 28 Jul 2009 16:25:03 +0530
Message-ID: <792087.518002035-sendEmail@vmw023-bsd04>
From: "user@test.com" <user@test.com>
To: "user1@test.com" <user1@test.com>
Subject: DLPTEST
Date: Tue, 28 Jul 2009 08:42:11 +0000
X-Mailer: sendEmail-1.55
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: multipart/mixed; boundary="----MIME delimiter for sendEmail-538525.714612664"

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| Name           | Size | Details                                |
|----------------|------|--|
| [message body] | 6    | ASCII text, with CRLF line terminators |
| FP1.1.txt      | 1K   | ASCII text                             |

## Downloading Attachments

You can download a message attachment by clicking the attachment's file name in the Message Parts or Matched Content section. AsyncOS displays a warning that attachments from unknown sources may contain viruses and asks you if you want to continue. Download attachments that may contain viruses at your own risk. You can also download the message body by clicking [message body] in the Message Parts section.

## About Rescanning of Quarantined Messages

When a message is released from all queues in which it has been quarantined, the following rescanning occurs, depending on the features enabled for the appliance and for the mail policy that originally quarantined the message:

- Messages released from Policy and Virus quarantines are rescanned by the anti-virus, advanced malware protection, and graymail engines.
- Messages released from the Outbreak quarantine are rescanned by the anti-spam, AMP, and anti-virus engines.
- Messages released from the File Analysis quarantine are rescanned for threats.
- Messages with attachments are rescanned by the file reputation service upon release from Policy, Virus, and Outbreak quarantines.

Upon rescanning, if the verdict produced matches the verdict produced the previous time the message was processed, the message is not re-quarantined. Conversely, if the verdict is different, the message could be sent to another quarantine.

The rationale is to prevent messages from looping back to the quarantine indefinitely. For example, suppose a message is encrypted and therefore sent to the Virus quarantine. If an administrator releases the message, the anti-virus engine will still not be able to decrypt it; however, the message should not be re-quarantined or a loop will be created and the message will never be released from the quarantine. Since the two verdicts are the same, the system bypasses the Virus quarantine the second time.

## The Outbreak Quarantine

The Outbreak quarantine is present when a valid Outbreak Filters feature license key has been entered. The Outbreak Filters feature sends messages to the Outbreak quarantine, depending on the threshold set. For more information, see the Outbreak Filters chapter in the online help or user guide for the Email Security appliance.

The Outbreak quarantine functions just like other quarantines—you can search for messages, release or delete messages, and so on.

The Outbreak quarantines has the following views:

The Outbreak quarantine has some additional features not available in other quarantines: the **Rule Summary** view, the **Send to Cisco** feature when viewing message details, and the option to sort messages in search results by the **Scheduled Exit** time.

If the license for the Outbreak Filters feature expires, you will be unable to add more messages to the Outbreak quarantine. Once the messages currently in the quarantine have expired and the Outbreak quarantine becomes empty, it is no longer shown in the Quarantines listing in the GUI.

### Related Topics

- [Rescanning Messages in an Outbreak Quarantine](#) , on page 324
- [Rule Summary View](#), on page 324
- [Reporting False Positives or Suspicious Messages to Cisco Systems](#), on page 325

## Rescanning Messages in an Outbreak Quarantine

Messages placed in the Outbreak quarantine are automatically released if newly published rules deem the quarantined message no longer a threat.

If anti-spam and anti-virus are enabled on the appliance, the scanning engines scan every message released from the Outbreak quarantine based on the mail flow policy that applies to the message.

## Rule Summary View

The Rule Summary view is available only in the new web interface.

In the Outbreak quarantine, click the **Rule Summary** tab to see the listing of the contents of Outbreak quarantine, grouped by Rule ID.

You can perform message actions (Release and Delete) on all of the messages in the quarantine based on which outbreak rule caused the message to be quarantined. This is ideal for clearing out large numbers of messages from the Outbreak quarantine. For more information, see Outbreak Quarantine and the Manage by Rule Summary View section of chapter “Outbreak Filters” in the online help or user guide of the *AsyncOS for the Email Security Appliance*.

## Manage by Rule Summary Link

Click the Manage by Rule Summary link next to the Outbreak quarantine in the quarantine listing to view the Manage by Rule Summary page. You can perform message actions (Release, Delete, Delay Exit) on all of the messages in the quarantine based on which outbreak rule caused the message to be quarantined. This is ideal for clearing out large numbers of messages from the Outbreak quarantine. For more information, see information about the Manage by Rule Summary view in the Outbreak Filters chapter in the online help or user guide for the Email Security appliance

## Reporting False Positives or Suspicious Messages to Cisco Systems

When viewing message details for a message in the Outbreak quarantine, you can send the message to Cisco to report false positives or suspicious messages.

### Procedure

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- Step 1** Navigate to a message in the Outbreak quarantine.
- Step 2** Enter the recipient address and click **Send**.
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## Troubleshooting Centralized Policy Quarantines

- [Administrative User Cannot Choose Quarantines in Filters and DLP Message Actions](#), on page 325
- [Messages Released from a Centralized Outbreak Quarantine Are Not Rescanned](#), on page 325

## Administrative User Cannot Choose Quarantines in Filters and DLP Message Actions

### Problem

Administrative users cannot see or choose quarantines in content and message filters or DLP actions on the Email Security appliance.

### Solution

See [Configuring Centralized Quarantine Access for Custom User Roles](#), on page 308

## Messages Released from a Centralized Outbreak Quarantine Are Not Rescanned

### Problem

Messages released from the Outbreak Quarantine should be scanned again before delivery. However, some contaminated messages have been delivered from the quarantine.

### Solution

This can occur under the situation described in [About Rescanning of Quarantined Messages](#), on page 323

■ Messages Released from a Centralized Outbreak Quarantine Are Not Rescanned



## CHAPTER 10

# Managing Web Security Appliances

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## About Centralized Configuration Management

Centralized configuration management allows you to publish configurations from a Cisco Content Security Management appliance to the associated Web Security appliances, in order to:

- Simplify and speed management of web security policies by configuring or updating settings once on the Security Management appliance, instead of on each Web Security appliance.
- Ensure uniform policy enforcement across distributed networks.

There are two ways to publish settings to Web Security appliances:

- Using Configuration Masters
- Using configuration files from Web Security appliances (using Advanced File Publishing)

## Determining the Correct Configuration Publishing Method

There are two different processes for publishing configurations from the Security Management appliance, and each publishes different settings. Some settings cannot be centrally managed.

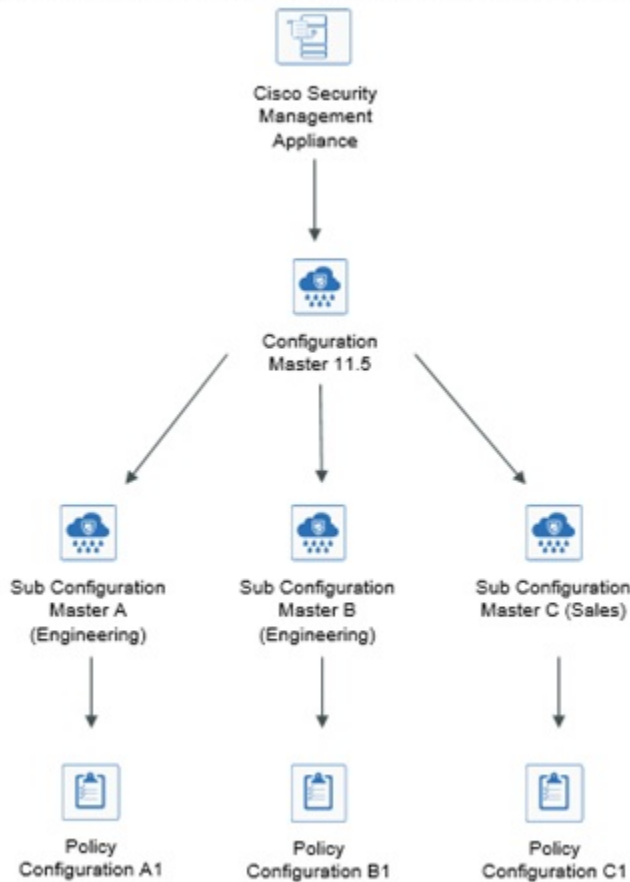
| To Configure   | Do This  |
|--|--|
| <p>Features that appear under the Web Security Manager menu on the Web Security appliance, such as policies and custom URL categories.</p> <p>Exception: L4 Traffic Monitor (L4TM) settings are not included in Configuration Masters.</p> <p>The exact features supported depend on the configuration master version, which corresponds to an AsyncOS for Web Security version.</p> | <p>Publish a Configuration Master.</p> <p>Many features that are configurable in a Configuration Master also require configurations directly on the Web Security appliance in order to work. For example, SOCKS Policies are configurable via Configuration Master, but a SOCKS Proxy must first be configured directly on the Web Security appliance.</p> |
| <p><b>Note:</b> Integration with a Cisco Identity Services Engine (ISE) must be configured independently on each Web Security appliance. Cisco Identity Services Engine settings cannot be published from a Cisco Content Security Management appliance.</p>   | <p>Use Advanced File Publishing.</p>   |
| <p>FIPS mode for Federal Information Processing Standard, Network/interface settings, DNS, Web Cache Communication Protocol (WCCP), upstream proxy groups, certificates, the proxy mode, time settings such as NTP, L4 Traffic Monitor (L4TM) settings, and authentication redirect hostname.</p>  | <p>Configure settings directly on your managed Web Security appliances.</p> <p>See the AsyncOS for Cisco Web Security Appliances User Guide</p>  |

## Using Configuration Masters to Centrally Manage Web Security Appliances

Your Security Management appliance provides different versions of Configuration Masters, so that you can centrally manage your Web Security appliances. Each Configuration Master supports multiple sub Configuration Masters under it. The sub configuration masters allows you to define different policy configurations within the same configuration master.

Assume that your engineering and sales teams are using AsyncOS 11.7 for Web Security appliances. Your organizational policy requires you define different policies for these teams. In this scenario, you can create two sub configuration masters under the Configuration Master 11.7 and define different policy configurations for each sub configuration master, as shown in the following figure:





### Setting Up Configuration Masters to Centrally Manage Web Security Appliances

The following table provides instructions to initialize and configure Configuration Masters and sub configuration masters.

| Steps  | Do This  | On This Appliance       | More Information  |
|--------|--|-------------------------|---|
| Step 1 | Check for general configuration requirements and caveats.  | —                       | See <a href="#">Important Notes About Using Configuration Masters</a> , on page 331.  |
| Step 2 | Determine the Configuration Master version to use for each Web Security appliance.   | —                       | See <a href="#">Determine the Configuration Master Versions to Use</a> , on page 331. |
| Step 3 | On all target Web Security appliances, enable and configure the features and functionality that are required to support the policy and other settings that you will configure in Configuration Masters on the Security Management appliance. | Web Security appliances | —   |

| Steps   | Do This  | On This Appliance             | More Information  |
|---------|--|-------------------------------|---|
| Step 4  | <b>(Optional)</b> If you have a working Web Security appliance that can serve as a configuration model for all of your Web Security appliances, you can use a configuration file from that Web Security appliance to speed configuration of a Configuration Master in the Security Management appliance. | Web Security appliance        | For instructions on downloading a configuration file from a Web Security appliance, see “Saving and Loading the Appliance Configuration” in the AsyncOS for Cisco Web Security Appliances User Guide. |
| Step 5  | Enable and configure Centralized Configuration Management.   | Security Management appliance | See <a href="#">Enabling Centralized Configuration Management on the Security Management Appliance</a> , on page 331.   |
| Step 6  | Initialize the Configuration Masters.  | Security Management appliance | See <a href="#">Initializing and Configuring Configuration Masters</a> , on page 332.   |
| Step 7  | <b>(Optional)</b> Configure Sub Configuration Masters  | Security Management appliance | See <a href="#">Configuring Sub Configuration Masters</a> , on page 334   |
| Step 8  | <b>(Optional)</b> Select the Sub Configuration Master as the Active Configuration  | Security Management appliance | See <a href="#">Selecting the Sub Configuration Master as the Active Configuration</a> , on page 336  |
| Step 9  | Associate Web Security appliances to the Configuration Masters.  | Security Management appliance | See <a href="#">About Associating Web Security Appliances to Configuration Masters</a> , on page 332.   |
| Step 10 | Import and/or manually configure policies, custom URL categories, and/or a web proxy bypass list in the Configuration Masters.   | Security Management appliance | See <a href="#">Configuring Settings to Publish</a> , on page 336   |
| Step 11 | Ensure that the features enabled on each Web Security appliance match the features enabled for the Configuration Master assigned to that appliance.  | Security Management appliance | See <a href="#">Ensuring that Features are Enabled Consistently</a> , on page 340.  |
| Step 12 | After you have set up required Configuration Masters and enabled appropriate features, publish configurations to your Web Security appliances.   | Security Management appliance | See <a href="#">Publishing a Configuration Master</a> , on page 343.  |
| Step 13 | Prepare in advance for possible URL Category set updates that can modify your existing Configuration Master settings.  | Security Management appliance | <a href="#">Preparing For and Managing URL Category Set Updates</a> , on page 354   |

## Important Notes About Using Configuration Masters

**Important**

Before you upgrade to AsyncOS 12.0 and later, you may need to backup your Configuration Master setting. The Configuration Master versions 10.0 and earlier will be replaced with Configuration Master version 11.7 and later.

After you upgrade to this release, you must initialize new Configuration Masters or import the configurations from an existing Configuration Master. If you have an existing Configuration Master for a previous release (for example, 9.1), you can copy the settings to a new Configuration Master (for example, 11.5).

Due to the change in the Configuration Master version, the appliance list is lost from the Identities and Policies. You must re-associate the Web Security appliance in the Configuration Masters.

**Note**

On each Web Security appliance that you will manage centrally, check to be sure that all Realm Names in Network > Authentication are unique across appliances, unless the settings for same-name realms are identical.

## Determine the Configuration Master Versions to Use

Your Security Management appliance provides multiple Configuration Masters, so that you can centrally manage Web Security appliances that run different versions of AsyncOS for Web Security that support different features.

Each Configuration Master contains configurations to be used for a particular version or versions of AsyncOS for Web Security.

To determine which configuration master version to use for your versions of AsyncOS for Web Security, see the Compatibility Matrix at

<http://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/support/security/content-security-management-appliance/products-release-notes-list.html>.

**Note**

The Configuration Master version should match the AsyncOS version on the Web Security appliance, as specified in the Compatibility Matrix. Publishing an older Configuration Master version to a newer Web Security appliance may fail if settings on the Web Security appliance do not match the settings in the Configuration Master. This can occur even if the Web Appliance Status detail page does not indicate any discrepancies. In this case, you must manually compare the configurations on each appliance.

## Enabling Centralized Configuration Management on the Security Management Appliance

### Procedure

**Step 1**

On the Security Management appliance, choose **Management Appliance > Centralized Services > Web > Centralized Configuration Manager**.

- Step 2** Click **Enable**.
- Step 3** If you are enabling Centralized Configuration Management for the first time after running the System Setup Wizard, review the end user license agreement, and click **Accept**.
- Step 4** Submit and commit your changes.

## Initializing and Configuring Configuration Masters

- [Initializing Configuration Masters](#) , on page 332
- [Importing Settings from a Web Security Appliance](#) , on page 337
- [Configuring Settings to Publish](#) , on page 336

### Initializing Configuration Masters

Note: After you initialize a configuration master, the Initialize option is not available. Instead, populate the Configuration Master using one of the methods described in [Configuring Settings to Publish](#) , on page 336 .

#### Procedure

- Step 1** On the Security Management appliance, choose **Web > Utilities > Configuration Masters**.
- Step 2** Click **Initialize** in the Options column.
- Step 3** On the Initialize Configuration Master page:
- If you have an existing Configuration Master for a previous release and you want to use or start with the same settings for the new Configuration Master, choose **Copy Configuration Master**. You can also import settings from an existing Configuration Master later.
  - Otherwise, choose **Use default settings**.
- Step 4** Click **Initialize**.
- The Configuration Master is now available.
- Step 5** Repeat for each Configuration Master version to initialize.

### About Associating Web Security Appliances to Configuration Masters

For information about compatibility of configuration masters with Web Security versions, see [Determine the Configuration Master Versions to Use](#), on page 331.

The simplest process for adding appliances to configuration masters depends on the situation:

| If  | Use This Procedure   |
|---|--|
| You have not yet added Web Security appliances to the Security Management appliance | <a href="#">Adding Web Security Appliances and Associating Them with Configuration Master Versions</a> , on page 333 |

| If  | Use This Procedure   |
|---|--|
| You have already added Web Security appliances                          | <a href="#">Associating Configuration Masters to Web Security Appliances</a> , on page 334   |
| You want to view associated Configuration Masters in the appliance list | <a href="#">Viewing Associated Configuration Masters in the Appliance List</a> , on page 335 |

## Adding Web Security Appliances and Associating Them with Configuration Master Versions

Use this procedure if you have not yet added your Web Security appliances to be centrally managed.

### Before you begin

- Choose the correct Configuration Master version for each Web Security appliance. See [Determine the Configuration Master Versions to Use](#), on page 331
- Enable the following key exchange and cipher algorithms on the Web Security Appliance that you plan to add to the Security Management Appliance:
  - Key Exchange Algorithms:  
`diffie-hellman-group1-sha1,diffie-hellman-group14-sha1`
  - Cipher Algorithms:  
`3des-cbc,blowfish-cbc`

To enable the algorithms, use the `sshconfig > sshd` command in CLI on the Web Security Appliance.

### Procedure

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- Step 1** On the Security Management appliance, choose **Management Appliance > Centralized Services > Security Appliances**.
- Step 2** Click **Add Web Appliance**.
- Step 3** In the Appliance Name and IP Address text fields, type the appliance name and the IP address or resolvable hostname for the Management interface of the Web Security appliance.
- Note** If you enter a DNS name in the IP Address text field, it will be immediately resolved to an IP address when you click **Submit**.
- Step 4** The Centralized Configuration Manager service is pre-selected.
- Step 5** Click **Establish Connection**.
- Step 6** Enter the user name and passphrase for an administrator account on the appliance to be managed, then click **Establish Connection**.
- Note** You enter the login credentials to pass a public SSH key for file transfers from the Security Management appliance to the remote appliance. The login credentials are not stored on the Security Management appliance.
- Step 7** Wait for the Success message to appear above the table on the page.
- Step 8** Choose the Configuration Master version to which you want to assign the appliance.

**Note** If you configure a subset of a particular version of configuration master and assign a Web Security appliance, then the sub configuration master version that is associated to the Web Security appliance is displayed in the drop-down list.

**Step 9** Submit and commit your changes.

**Step 10** Repeat this procedure for each Web Security Appliance for which you want to enable Centralized Configuration Management.

## Associating Configuration Masters to Web Security Appliances

If you have already added Web Security appliances to the Security Management appliance, you can use the following procedure to quickly associate Web Security appliances with Configuration Master versions.

### Before you begin

If you have not yet done so, choose the correct Configuration Master version for each Web Security appliance. See [Determine the Configuration Master Versions to Use, on page 331](#).

### Procedure

**Step 1** On the Security Management appliance, choose **Web > Utilities > Configuration Masters**.

**Note** If a Configuration Master shows as Disabled, you can enable it by clicking **Web > Utilities > Security Services Display**, then **Edit Display Settings**. Select the check box for that Configuration Master to enable it. For more information, see [Enabling Features to Publish, on page 341](#).

**Step 2** Click **Security Appliances**.

**Step 3** Click on the required Web Security appliance.

**Step 4** Select the required configuration of the Configuration Master.

You can see the different configurations of the Configuration Master in **Web > Utilities > Configuration Masters** page.

**Step 5** Submit and commit your changes.

## Configuring Sub Configuration Masters

### Procedure

**Step 1** On the Security Management appliance, choose **Web > Utilities > Configuration Masters**.

**Note** If a Configuration Master Setting shows as Disabled, you can enable it by clicking **Web > Utilities > Security Services Display**, then **Edit Display Settings**. Select the check box for that Configuration Master to enable it. For more information, see [Enabling Features to Publish, on page 341](#).

**Step 2** From the New Configuration Master page, click **New**.

- Step 3** Enter a unique name for the Configuration Master (for example, 11\_5\_new).
- Note** The name must contain only alphabets, numbers, and underscores. It cannot start with an underscore.
- Step 4** Select the Configuration Master version from the drop-down list.
- Step 5** For Select Configuration Source, select a Configuration Master from the dropdown-list.
- Step 6** Click **Submit** and commit your changes.
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## Viewing Associated Configuration Masters in the Appliance List

### Before you begin

If you have not yet done so, choose the correct Configuration Master version for each Web Security appliance. See [Determine the Configuration Master Versions to Use](#), on page 331.

If you have already added Web Security appliances to the Security Management appliance, you can use the following procedure to view the associated Configuration Master versions in the Web Security appliance list.

### Procedure

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- Step 1** On the Security Management appliance, choose **Web > Utilities > Configuration Masters**.
- Note** If a Configuration Master shows as Disabled, you can enable it by clicking **Web > Utilities > Security Services Display**, then **Edit Display Settings**. Select the check box for that Configuration Master to enable it. For more information, see [Enabling Features to Publish](#), on page 341.
- Step 2** Click **Security Appliances**.
- The Security Appliances page is same as the **Management Appliances > Centralized Services > Security Appliances** page. If you have added a Web Security appliance and associated configuration master to it, you can view the Configuration Master and AsyncOS version associated to the Web Security appliance.
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## Deleting Sub Configuration Masters

If you have configured sub configuration masters in [Configuring Sub Configuration Masters](#), on page 334, use the following procedure to delete the configurations.

### Procedure

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- Step 1** On the Security Management appliance, choose **Web > Utilities > Configuration Masters**.
- Note** If a Configuration Master shows as Disabled, you can enable it by clicking **Web > Utilities > Security Services Display**, then **Edit Display Settings**. Select the check box for that Configuration Master to enable it. For more information, see [Enabling Features to Publish](#), on page 341.
- Step 2** Click on the trash can icon on the required sub configuration master.

**Note** You cannot delete the configuration masters that are associated with a Web Security appliance.

**Step 3** Submit and commit your changes.

## Selecting the Sub Configuration Master as the Active Configuration

When you configure sub Configuration Masters, you must assign the required configuration as the active configuration.

### Procedure

**Step 1** On the Security Management appliance, choose **Web > Utilities > Configuration Masters**.

**Step 2** Click **Edit** on the required configuration version of the Configuration Master. Selecting the configuration master version replaces the existing configuration of the Configuration Master.

**Step 3** Commit your changes.

After you commit the changes, you can see the label of the Configuration Master drop down changed to the selected Configuration Master version.

## Configuring Settings to Publish

Set up your configuration masters with the settings you want to publish.

There are several ways to set up Configuration Masters:

| If   | Do This   |
|--|---|
| You are upgrading from a previous release of AsyncOS for Security Management<br>and<br>You did not initialize a new Configuration Master version by copying an earlier, existing Configuration Master into the new version | Import the old version. See <a href="#">Importing from an Existing Configuration Master</a> , on page 337.  |
| You have already configured a Web Security appliance and want to use those same configurations for multiple Web Security appliances  | Import a configuration file that you saved from that Web Security appliance into the Configuration Master.<br><br>You may have saved this configuration file when you reviewed <a href="#">Using Configuration Masters to Centrally Manage Web Security Appliances</a> , on page 328.<br><br>To import, see <a href="#">Importing Settings from a Web Security Appliance</a> , on page 337. |
| You need to modify imported settings   | See <a href="#">Configuring Web Security Features Directly in Configuration Masters</a> , on page 338.  |



| If   | Do This  |
|--|--|
| You have not yet configured policy settings, URL categories, or bypass settings on a Web Security appliance. | Configure these settings directly in an appropriate Configuration Master on the Security Management appliance.<br><br>See <a href="#">Configuring Web Security Features Directly in Configuration Masters</a> , on page 338. |

## Importing from an Existing Configuration Master

You can upgrade an existing configuration master to a new, higher configuration master version.

### Procedure

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- Step 1** On the Security Management appliance, choose **Web > Utilities > Configuration Masters**.
  - Step 2** In the Options column, click **Import Configuration**.
  - Step 3** For **Select Configuration Source**, select a Configuration Master from the list.
  - Step 4** Choose whether or not to include existing custom user roles in this configuration.
  - Step 5** Click **Import**.
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### What to do next

[About Custom Web User Roles](#) , on page 406

## Importing Settings from a Web Security Appliance

If you want to use an existing, working configuration from one of your Web Security appliances, you can import the configuration file to the Security Management appliance to create policy settings in a Configuration Master.

### Before you begin

Verify compatibility of configuration files and Configuration Master versions. See [Determine the Configuration Master Versions to Use](#), on page 331.



#### Caution

You can import compatible web configuration files as often as you want, even if you have already published configurations to your managed Web Security appliances. Importing a configuration file to a Configuration Master completely overwrites the settings associated with the selected Configuration Master. In addition, the security services settings on the Security Services Display page are set to match the imported configuration.



#### Note

If you attempt to import a configuration file that uses an older set of the URL Categories than the Security Management appliance has, the load will fail.

## Procedure

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- Step 1** Save a configuration file from the Web Security appliance.
- Step 2** On the Security Management appliance, choose **Web > Utilities > Configuration Masters**.
- Step 3** In the Options column, click **Import Configuration**.
- Step 4** From the Select Configuration drop-down list, select **Web Configuration File**.
- Step 5** In the New Master Defaults section, click **Browse** and select a valid configuration file from a Web Security appliance.
- Step 6** Click **Import File**.
- Step 7** Click **Import**.
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## Configuring Web Security Features Directly in Configuration Masters

You can configure the following functionality in a Configuration Master, depending on the version:

|  |   |   |
|--|---|---|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Identities / Identification Profiles</li> <li>• SaaS Policies</li> <li>• Decryption Policies</li> <li>• Routing Policies</li> <li>• Access Policies</li> <li>• Web Traffic Tap Policies</li> </ul> <p><b>Note</b> To define Web Traffic Tap Policies, you must enable the Web Traffic Tap feature in the Web Security appliance.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Overall Bandwidth Limits</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cisco Data Security</li> <li>• Outbound Malware Scanning</li> <li>• External Data Loss Prevention</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SOCKS Policies</li> <li>• Custom URL Categories</li> <li>• Defined Time Ranges/ and Quotas</li> <li>• Bypass Settings</li> <li>• L4 Traffic Monitor</li> </ul> |
|--|---|---|

To configure settings for each feature directly in a configuration master, choose **Web > Configuration Master <version> > <feature>** .

Except for the few items described in [SMA-Specific Differences when Configuring Features in Configuration Masters](#), on page 339, instructions for configuring features in a Configuration Master are the same as instructions for configuring the same features on the Web Security appliance. For instructions, see the online help in your Web Security appliance or the AsyncOS for Cisco Web Security Appliances User Guide for the AsyncOS version corresponding to the Configuration Master version. If necessary, consult the following topic to determine the correct Configuration Master for your Web Security appliance: [Determine the Configuration Master Versions to Use](#), on page 331.

All versions of Web Security user guides are available from <https://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/support/security/web-security-appliance/products-user-guide-list.html>.

## SMA-Specific Differences when Configuring Features in Configuration Masters

When you configure a feature in a Configuration Master, note the following differences from configuring the same feature directly on the Web Security appliance.

**Table 72: Feature Configuration: Differences between Configuration Master and Web Security Appliance**

| Feature or Page  | Details  |
|--|--|
| All features, especially new features in each release                      | For each feature that you configure in a Configuration Master, you must enable the feature in the Security Management appliance under <b>Web &gt; Utilities &gt; Security Services Display</b> . For more information, see <a href="#">Ensuring that Features are Enabled Consistently</a> , on page 340.  |
| Identities/Identification Profiles   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>See <a href="#">Tip for Working with Identities/Identification Profiles in Configuration Masters</a>, on page 339.</li> <li>The <b>Identify Users Transparently</b> option when adding or editing an Identity/Identification Profile is available when a Web Security appliance with an authentication realm that supports transparent user identification has been added as a managed appliance.</li> </ul>  |
| Policies that use a Cisco Identity Services Engine (ISE) to identify users | <p>Secure Group Tag (SGT) information is updated from the Web Security appliances approximately every five minutes. The management appliance does not communicate directly with the ISE server.</p> <p>To update the list of SGTs on demand, select <b>Web &gt; Utilities &gt; Web Appliance Status</b>, click a Web Security appliance that is connected to the ISE server, then click <b>Refresh Data</b>. Repeat as needed for other appliances.</p> <p>The common deployment scenario is that a company has only one ISE server (this is the whole point of ISE) that all WSAs connect to. Multiple ISE servers with different data are not supported.</p> |
| Access Policies > Edit Group   | <p>When you configure the Identities /Identification Profiles and Users option in the Policy Member Definition section, the following applies if you use external directory servers:</p> <p>When you search for groups on the Edit Group page, only the first 500 matching results are displayed. If you do not see the desired group, you can add it to the “Authorized Groups” list by entering it in the Directory search field and clicking the <b>Add</b> button.</p>   |
| Access Policies > Web Reputation and Anti-Malware Settings                 |  |
| SaaS Policies  | The authentication option “Prompt SaaS users who have been discovered by transparent user identification” is available only when a Web Security appliance with an authentication realm that supports transparent user identification has been added as a managed appliance.  |

### Tip for Working with Identities/Identification Profiles in Configuration Masters

When creating an Identity/Identification Profile on the Security Management appliance, you have the option of making it apply only to specific appliances. So for example, if you purchase a Security Management appliance and want to preserve the existing Web Security appliance configurations and the policies that were created for each Web Security appliance, you must load one file into the machine, and then add policies from other machines by hand.

One way to accomplish this is to make a set of Identities/Identification Profiles for each appliance, then have policies which refer to those Identities/Identification Profiles. When the Security Management appliance

publishes the configuration, those Identities/Identification Profiles and the policies which refer to them will automatically be removed and disabled. Using this method, you do not have to configure anything manually. This is essentially a ‘per-appliance’ Identity/Identification Profile.

The only challenge with this method is if you have a default policy or Identity/Identification Profile that differs between sites. For example, if you have a policy set for “default allow with auth” at one site and a “default deny” at another. At this point you will need to create per-appliance Identities/Identification Profiles and policies just above the default; essentially creating your own “default” policy.

## Ensuring that Features are Enabled Consistently

Before you publish a Configuration Master, you should ensure that it will publish and that the intended features will be enabled and configured as you expect them to be after publishing.

To do this, do both of the following:

- [Comparing Enabled Features](#) , on page 340
- [Enabling Features to Publish](#) , on page 341




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**Note** If multiple Web Security appliances with different features enabled are assigned to the same Configuration Master, you should publish to each appliance separately, and perform these procedures before each publish.

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## Comparing Enabled Features

Verify that the features enabled on each Web Security appliance match the features enabled for the Configuration Master associated with that appliance.




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**Note** If multiple Web Security appliances with different features enabled are assigned to the same Configuration Master, you should publish to each appliance separately, and perform this check before each publish.

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### Procedure

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- Step 1** On the Security Management appliance, choose **Web > Utilities > Web Appliance Status**.
- Step 2** Click the name of a Web Security appliance to which you will publish a Configuration Master.
- Step 3** Scroll to the **Security Services** table.
- Step 4** Verify that the Feature Keys for all enabled features are active and not expired.
- Step 5** Compare the settings in the **Services** columns:

The **Web Appliance Service** column and the **Is Service Displayed on Management Appliance?** column should be consistent.

- Enabled = Yes
- Disabled and Not Configured = No or Disabled.
- N/A = Not Applicable. For example, the option may not be configurable using a Configuration Master, but is listed so that you can see the Feature Key status.

Configuration mismatches will appear in red text.

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### What to do next

If the enabled/disabled settings for a feature do not match, do one of the following:

- Change the relevant setting for the Configuration Master. See [Enabling Features to Publish](#) , on page 341.
- Enable or disable the feature on the Web Security Appliance. Some changes may impact multiple features. See the information about the relevant feature in the AsyncOS for Cisco Web Security Appliances User Guide.

## Enabling Features to Publish

Enable the features for which you want to publish settings using a Configuration Master.

### Before you begin

Determine which features must be enabled and disabled. See [Comparing Enabled Features](#) , on page 340.

### Procedure

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**Step 1** On the Security Management appliance, choose **Web > Utilities > Security Services Display**.

**Step 2** Click **Edit Settings**.

The Edit Security Services Display page lists the features that appear in each Configuration Master.

“N/A” alongside a feature indicates that the feature is not available in that Configuration Master version.

**Note** Web Proxy is not listed as a feature, because it is assumed that the Web Proxy is enabled in order to execute any of the managed policy types on the Web Security appliances. If the Web Proxy is disabled, any policies published to the Web Security appliances will be ignored.

**Step 3** (Optional) Hide Configuration Masters that you will not use. For instructions and cautions, see [Disabling Unused Configuration Masters](#) , on page 342 .

**Step 4** For each Configuration Master that you will use, select or uncheck the Yes check box for each feature to enable.

Special notes for certain features (available options vary by Configuration Master version):

- Transparent Mode. If you use Forward mode, the proxy bypass feature will not be available.
- HTTPS Proxy. HTTPS proxy must be enabled in order to configure decryption policies.
- Upstream Proxy Groups. Upstream proxy groups must be available on your Web Security appliances if you want to use routing policies.

**Step 5** Click **Submit**. The GUI displays specific warning messages if the changes you made to the security services settings will affect policies configured on your Web Security appliances. If you are sure that you want to submit your changes, click **Continue**.

**Step 6** On the **Security Services Display** page, confirm that **Yes** appears alongside each option that you selected.

**Step 7** Commit your changes.

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#### What to do next

- Verify that all features are now correctly enabled or disabled for the appliance to which you will publish. See [Comparing Enabled Features](#) , on page 340.
- On each Web Security appliance to which you will publish, make sure the features are enabled consistently with the features you have enabled for the Configuration Master.

## Disabling Unused Configuration Masters

You can choose not to display unused Configuration Masters.

However, at least one Configuration Master must be enabled.



**Note** When a Configuration Master is disabled, all references to it are removed from the GUI including the corresponding Configuration Master tab. Pending publish jobs that use the Configuration Master are deleted, and all Web Security appliances assigned to the hidden Configuration Master are re-categorized as not assigned.

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#### Procedure

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- Step 1** On the Security Management appliance, choose **Web > Utilities > Security Services Display**.
- Step 2** Click **Edit Settings**.
- Step 3** Uncheck the checkbox(es) for unused Configuration Masters
- Step 4** Submit and commit your changes.
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## Setting Up to Use Advanced File Publishing

If your system is set up to use Configuration Masters, it is already set up for Advanced File Publishing.

Otherwise, complete procedures in the following topics, which apply to Advanced File Publishing as well as to publishing Configuration Masters.

- [Enabling Centralized Configuration Management on the Security Management Appliance](#), on page 331
- [Initializing Configuration Masters](#) , on page 332
- [About Associating Web Security Appliances to Configuration Masters](#), on page 332

## Publishing Configurations to Web Security Appliances

- [Publishing a Configuration Master](#) , on page 343
- [Publishing Configurations Using Advanced File Publishing](#), on page 346

## Publishing a Configuration Master

After editing or importing settings in a Configuration Master, you can publish them to the Web Security appliances associated with the Configuration Master.

- [Before You Publish a Configuration Master](#) , on page 343
- [Publishing a Configuration Master Now](#) , on page 344
- [Publishing a Configuration Master Later](#) , on page 345
- [Publishing a Configuration Master Using the Command Line Interface](#), on page 346

### Before You Publish a Configuration Master

Publishing a Configuration Master overwrites existing policy information on the Web Security appliances associated to that Configuration Master.

For information about which settings you can configure using a Configuration Master, see [Determining the Correct Configuration Publishing Method](#) , on page 327.

#### All Publishing Jobs

- The AsyncOS version on the target Web Security appliance should be the same as the Configuration Master version, or be a version identified as compatible in the [SMA Compatibility Matrix](#).
- (First time only) You must follow the procedures in [Using Configuration Masters to Centrally Manage Web Security Appliances](#) , on page 328.
- To ensure that the Configuration Master will publish and that the intended set of features will be enabled after publishing, verify the feature sets of each Web Security appliance and the associated Configuration Master and make any needed changes. See [Comparing Enabled Features](#) , on page 340 and if necessary, [Enabling Features to Publish](#) , on page 341. If you publish configurations for features that are not enabled on the target appliance, those configurations are not applied.

If different features are enabled on different Web Security appliances assigned to the same Configuration Master, you must publish to each appliance separately, and verify and enable features before each publish.

To identify configuration mismatches encountered during publishing, see [Viewing Publish History](#), on page 348 .

- Save a configuration file from each target Web Security appliance before publishing, so that you can restore the existing configuration in case of problems with the published configuration. See the AsyncOS for Cisco Web Security Appliances User Guide for details.
- Any change that would cause a Web proxy restart when committed on the Web Security appliance will also cause a proxy restart when you publish it from the Security Management appliance. You will receive a warning in these situations.

Web Proxy restarts temporarily interrupt web security services.

- When you publish any change to an Identity/Identification Profile, all end-users must re-authenticate.

#### Special Situations

- If you have reverted AsyncOS on the target Web Security appliance, you may need to associate a different Configuration Master with that appliance.

- If you publish a Configuration Master to a Web Security appliance that does not have a realm configured with Transparent User Identification enabled, but you have selected Transparent User Identification in an Identity /Identification Profile or SaaS Policy:
  - For Identities/Identification Profiles, Transparent User Identification is disabled and the Require Authentication option is selected instead.
  - For SaaS Policies, the Transparent User Identification option is disabled and the default option (Always prompt SaaS users for proxy authentication) is selected instead.
- When you publish External DLP policies from a Security Management appliance to multiple Web Security appliances that are not configured for RSA servers, the Security Management appliance will send the following publish status warning:

**“The Security Services display settings configured for Configuration Master <version> do not currently reflect the state of one or more Security Services on Web Appliances associated with this publish request. The affected appliances are: “<WSA Appliance Names>”. This may indicate a misconfiguration of the Security Services display settings for this particular Configuration Master. Go to the Web Appliance Status page for each appliance provides a detailed view to troubleshooting this issue. Do you want to continue publishing the configuration now?”**

If you decide to continue to publish, the Web Security appliance that is not configured for the RSA servers will receive the External DLP policies, but these policies will be disabled. The Web Security appliance External DLP page will not show the published policies if External DLP Server is not configured.

| <b>If the Scheme in the Identity /Identification Profile in the Configuration Master Was:</b> | <b>Then the Scheme in the Identity /Identification Profile on the Web Security Appliance Becomes</b> |
|---|--|
| Use Kerberos  | Use NTLMSSP or Basic   |
| Use Kerberos or NTLMSSP   | Use NTLMSSP  |
| Use Kerberos or NTLMSSP or Basic  | Use NTLMSSP or Basic   |

If you are an externally authenticated user, you can only view the list of all the Configuration Master that are assigned to the Web Security appliance and publish the configuration that is currently initialized. If you want to publish a different subset of the Configuration Master, contact your administrator.



- Note** Do not edit, load, or publish Configuration Masters simultaneously using:
- Multiple tabs on the same browser.
  - Multiple browsers on the same system or two different systems.

## Publishing a Configuration Master Now

### Before you begin

See important requirements and information in [Before You Publish a Configuration Master](#) , on page 343.



## Procedure

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- Step 1** On the Security Management appliance, choose **Web > Utilities > Publish to Web Appliances**.
- Step 2** Click **Publish Configuration Now**.
- Step 3** “System-generated job name” is selected by default, or enter a user-defined job name (80 characters or fewer).
- Step 4** Select the Configuration Master to publish.
- Note** If you configure a subset of a particular version of configuration master and assign a Web Security appliance, then the sub configuration master version that is associated to the Web Security appliance is displayed in the drop-down list.
- Step 5** Select the Web Security appliances to which you want to publish the Configuration Master. Choose “All assigned appliances” to publish the configuration to all appliances assigned to the Configuration Master.
- or
- Choose “Select appliances in list” to display the list of appliances assigned to the Configuration Master. Select the appliances to which you want to publish the configuration.
- Step 6** Click **Publish**.
- Red progress bars and text on the Publish in Progress page indicate that an error occurred during publishing. If another job is currently publishing, then your request will be executed when the previous job is complete.
- Note** Details of the job in progress also appear on the **Web > Utilities > Publish to Web Appliances** page. Click **Check Progress** to access the Publish in Progress page.
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## What to do next

Check to be sure your publish was completely successful. See [Viewing Publish History, on page 348](#). Items that were not published completely will be noted.

## Publishing a Configuration Master Later

### Before you begin

See important requirements and information in [Before You Publish a Configuration Master , on page 343](#).

### Procedure

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- Step 1** On the Security Management appliance, choose **Web > Utilities > Publish to Web Appliances**.
- Step 2** Click **Schedule a Job**.
- Step 3** “System-generated job name” is selected by default, or enter a user-defined job name (80 characters or fewer).
- Step 4** Enter the date and time when you want to publish the Configuration Master.
- Step 5** Select the Configuration Master to publish.
- Step 6** Select the Web Security appliances to which you want to publish the Configuration Master. Choose “All assigned appliances” to publish the configuration to all appliances assigned to the Configuration Master.

or

Choose “Select appliances in list” to display the list of appliances assigned to the Configuration Master. Select the appliances to which you want to publish the configuration.

**Step 7** Click **Submit**.

**Step 8** View a list of scheduled jobs on the **Web > Utilities > Publish to Web Appliances** page. To edit a scheduled job, click the name of the job. To cancel a pending job, click the corresponding trash can icon and confirm that you want to delete the job.

**Step 9** You may want to create a reminder for yourself (for example, in your calendar) to check after the scheduled publish time to be sure that your publish was completely successful.

**Note** If you reboot or upgrade the appliance before the scheduled publishing job occurs, you must reschedule the job.

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### What to do next

Check to be sure your publish was completely successful. See [Viewing Publish History, on page 348](#). Items that were not published completely will be noted.

## Publishing a Configuration Master Using the Command Line Interface



**Note** See important requirements and information in [Before You Publish a Configuration Master , on page 343](#).

The Security Management appliance provides you with the ability to publish changes through a Configuration Master using the following CLI command:

```
publishconfig config_master [--job_name ] [--host_list | host_ip ]
```

where **config\_master** is a supported configuration master version. This keyword is required. The option *job\_name* is optional and will be generated if it is not specified.

The option *host\_list* is a list of host names or IP addresses for Web Security appliances to be published, and will be published to all hosts assigned to the Configuration Master if not specified. The option *host\_ip* can be multiple host IP addresses, each separated by a comma.

To verify that the **publishconfig** command was successful, check the **smad\_logs** file. You can also verify that the publish history was successful from the Security Management appliance GUI by choosing **Web > Utilities > Web Appliance Status**. From this page choose the web appliance that you want the publish history details. Additionally, you can go the Publish History page: **Web > Utilities > Publish > Publish History**.

## Publishing Configurations Using Advanced File Publishing

Use advanced file publish to push a compatible XML configuration file from your local file system to managed Web Security appliances.

For information about which settings you can configure using Advanced File Publishing, see [Determining the Correct Configuration Publishing Method , on page 327](#).

To perform an advanced file publish:

- [Advanced File Publish: Publish Configuration Now, on page 347](#)
- [Advanced File Publish: Publish Later, on page 347](#)

## Advanced File Publish: Publish Configuration Now

### Before you begin

- Verify that the version of the configuration that you will publish is compatible with the AsyncOS version of the appliance to which you publish. See the Compatibility Matrix at <http://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/support/security/content-security-management-appliance/products-release-notes-list.html>.
- On each destination Web Security appliance, back up the existing configuration on your Web Security appliance to a configuration file. See the AsyncOS for Cisco Web Security Appliances User Guide for details.

### Procedure

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- Step 1** From the source Web Security appliance, save a Configuration File.  
For instructions on saving a configuration file from a Web Security appliance, see the AsyncOS for Cisco Web Security Appliances User Guide.
- Step 2** On the Security Management appliance window, choose **Web > Utilities > Publish to Web Appliances**.
- Step 3** Click **Publish Configuration Now**.
- Step 4** “System-generated job name” is selected by default, or enter a job name (up to 80 characters).
- Step 5** For **Configuration Master to Publish**, select **Advanced file options**.
- Step 6** Click **Browse** to select the file that you saved in Step 1.
- Step 7** From the Web Appliances drop-down list, choose **Select appliances in list** or **All assigned to Master** and then select the appliances to which you want to publish the configuration file.
- Step 8** Click **Publish**.
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## Advanced File Publish: Publish Later

### Before you begin

- Verify that the version of the configuration that you will publish is compatible with the AsyncOS version of the appliance to which you publish. See the Compatibility Matrix at <http://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/support/security/content-security-management-appliance/products-release-notes-list.html>.
- On each destination Web Security appliance, back up the existing configuration on your Web Security appliance to a configuration file. See the AsyncOS for Cisco Web Security Appliances User Guide for details.

### Procedure

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- Step 1** From the source Web Security appliance, save a Configuration File.

For instructions on saving a configuration file from a Web Security appliance, see the AsyncOS for Cisco Web Security Appliances User Guide.

- Step 2** On the Security Management appliance, choose **Web > Utilities > Publish to Web Appliances**.
- Step 3** Click **Schedule a Job**.
- Step 4** **System-generated job name** is selected by default, or enter a job name (up to 80 characters).
- Step 5** Enter the date and time when you want to publish the configuration.
- Step 6** For **Configuration Master to Publish**, select **Advanced file options**, then click **Browse** to select the configuration file that you saved in Step 1.
- Step 7** From the Web Appliances drop-down list, choose **Select appliances in list** or **All assigned to Master** and then select the appliances to which you want to publish the configuration file.
- Step 8** Click **Publish**.

## Viewing Status and History of Publishing Jobs

| To View  | Do This   |
|--|---|
| A list of publishing jobs that are scheduled but have not yet occurred | Choose <b>Web &gt; Utilities &gt; Publish to Web Appliances</b> and look in the <b>Pending Jobs</b> section.                |
| A list of the last published configuration per appliance               | Choose <b>Web &gt; Utilities &gt; Web Appliance Status</b> and look at the <b>Last Published Configuration</b> information. |
| The status of a publishing job that is currently in progress           | Choose <b>Web &gt; Utilities &gt; Publish to Web Appliances</b> and look in the <b>Publishing Progress</b> section.         |
| History of all or any publishing jobs to all or any appliances         | See <a href="#">Viewing Publish History</a>   |

## Viewing Publish History

Viewing the publish history is useful for checking for errors that may have occurred during publishing, or to identify mismatches between configured functionality and features enabled on target appliances.

### Procedure

- Step 1** On the Security Management appliance, choose **Web > Utilities > Publish History**.
  - Step 2** To view additional details about a particular job, click the specific job name in the Job Name column.
  - Step 3** View more information:
    - To view status details about a particular appliance in the job, click a **Details** link.
- The Web Appliance Publish Details page appears.
- To view additional details about a particular appliance in the job, click the appliance name.

The **Web > Utilities > Web Appliance Status** page appears.

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## Centralized Upgrade Management

You can simultaneously upgrade multiple Web Security appliances (WSAs) using a single Security Management Appliance (SMA). You also can apply a different software upgrade to each WSA.

- [Setting Up Centralized Upgrade Management for Web Security Appliances, on page 349](#)
- [Selecting and Downloading WSA Upgrades, on page 351](#)
- [Using the Install Wizard, on page 352](#)

## Setting Up Centralized Upgrade Management for Web Security Appliances

Follow these steps to configure the Centralized Upgrade service on this Security Management Appliance:

- [Enable the Centralized Upgrade Manager, on page 349](#)
- [Adding the Centralized Upgrade Service to Each Managed Web Security Appliance, on page 350](#)

### Enable the Centralized Upgrade Manager

#### Before you begin

- All Web Security appliances should be configured and working as expected before you enable centralized upgrade management.
- You must enable centralized upgrades individually on each managed Web Security appliance that will receive centralized upgrades.



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**Note** To enable Centralized Upgrades in the CLI, use

```
applianceconfig > services > [...] > Enable Centralized Upgrade >
Y
```

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- Be sure the appropriate feature key is installed on the Security Management Appliance.

#### Procedure

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- Step 1** On the Security Management appliance, select the **Management Appliance** page, and then choose **Centralized Services > Centralized Upgrade Manager**.
- Step 2** Click **Edit Settings**.
- Step 3** Check **Enable**.

**Step 4** Submit and commit your changes.

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## Adding the Centralized Upgrade Service to Each Managed Web Security Appliance

After enabling the Centralized Upgrade Manager on the Security Management appliance, you must add the desired Web Security appliance(s) to the Upgrade Manager roster by enabling Centralized Upgrades on the individual managed WSA(s).

### Procedure

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**Step 1** On the Security Management appliance, select the **Management Appliance** page, and then choose **Centralized Services > Security Appliances**.

**Step 2** If you have not yet added Web Security appliances, or you need to add additional appliances for centralized upgrade management:

- a) Click **Add Web Appliance**.
- b) In the Appliance Name and IP Address text fields, type the appliance name and the IP address for the Management interface of the Web Security appliance.

**Note** A DNS name may be entered in the IP Address text field, however, it will be resolved to an IP address when you click **Submit**.

- c) Be sure to check **Centralized Upgrades**.
- d) Click **Establish Connection**.
- e) Enter the user name and passphrase for an administrator account on the appliance to be managed, then click **Establish Connection**.

**Note** You enter the login credentials to pass a public SSH key for file transfers from the Security Management appliance to the remote appliance. The login credentials are not stored on the Security Management appliance.

Wait for the Success message to appear above the table on the page.

- f) Click Test Connection.

Read test results above the table.

- g) Click **Submit**.

Repeat this procedure for each WSA you want to add to the managed Web Security appliance list while simultaneously enabling Centralized Upgrade management.

**Step 3** To enable Centralized Upgrade management on a WSA already on this list of managed appliances:

- a) Click the name of the Web Security appliance to open its Edit Web Security Appliance Settings page.
- b) Select **Centralized Upgrades** in the WSA Centralized Services section.
- c) Click **Submit**.

Repeat this procedure for each WSA on which you want to enable Centralized Upgrade management.

**Step 4** Commit your changes.

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### What to do next

See [About Adding Managed Appliances, on page 19](#) for more information about adding to and editing the list of managed appliances.

## Selecting and Downloading WSA Upgrades

### Procedure

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- Step 1** On the Security Management appliance, select the **Web** page, and then choose **Utilities > Centralized Upgrade**.
- Any appliances recently selected for upgrade, and the upgrade status, are listed.
- Step 2** Click the **Upgrade Appliances** button on the Centralized Upgrade page.
- All managed WSAs which can be upgraded are listed.
- Step 3** Select each Web Security appliance to be upgraded by checking the box preceding its name in the list.
- Step 4** Click either **Download Wizard** or **Download and Install Wizard**.
- The Download Wizard lets you select upgrade packages for download to the selected WSA(s); this operation is download-only—you can install a downloaded package and restart each system later.
- The Download and Install Wizard lets you select upgrade packages for download and immediate installation on the selected WSA(s). After installation, each system is restarted automatically.
- Step 5** The Fetch Upgrades page of the launched wizard appears; when all available upgrades have been fetched for the selected WSAs (Completed Fetching Available Upgrades appears in the **Status** column of the WSA matrix), click **Next** to continue.
- Step 6** The Available Upgrades page lists all available upgrade builds for each selected WSA; select up to five for comparison, and then click **Next**.
- Step 7** The wizard's Upgrade Selection page presents a compatibility matrix of selected upgrades for each WSA; check the desired upgrade build for each WSA and then click **Next**.
- Step 8** The Summary page lists summary information for each selected WSA and upgrade build; click **Next** to continue the wizard.
- Step 9** Following a series of download checks such as WSA connection status, the Review page provides listings of download status for each WSA. Click **Begin Download** to begin downloading an upgrade package to each selected WSA.
- The Centralized Upgrade page displays download status information throughout the process.
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### What to do next

- **Download Wizard** – If you clicked this button at the beginning of this procedure, when download is complete, refresh the Centralized Upgrade page by choosing **Web > Utilities > Centralized Upgrade**, or by clicking the refresh-page button in your browser window.

In addition to the listing of all managed WSAs which can be upgraded, another section of the Centralized Upgrade page now lists all WSAs to which upgrade packages have been downloaded. (You can click the trash can button displayed with each entry to delete the downloaded upgrade package from that WSA.)

At any time you can select one or more WSAs in this list and then click Install Wizard to begin installation of the downloaded upgrade package on each selected WSA; when installation is complete on a WSA, it is restarted. See [Using the Install Wizard, on page 352](#) for information about using this wizard.

- **Download and Install Wizard** – If you clicked this button at the beginning of this procedure, when download is complete, upgrade installation begins automatically; see [Using the Install Wizard, on page 352](#), beginning with Step 2, for information about this process. When installation is complete, the WSA is restarted.

## Using the Install Wizard

When the Install Wizard begins, whether automatically as part of the Download and Install process, or when you click the Install Wizard button on the Centralized Upgrade page after selecting one or more WSAs with downloaded but not-yet-installed upgrade packages, follow these step to configure installation.

### Procedure

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- Step 1** If installing previously downloaded upgrade packages:
- Select the desired WSAs in the Web Appliances with Downloaded AsyncOS Versions section of the Centralized Upgrade page (**Web > Utilities > Centralized Upgrade**).
  - Click **Install Wizard**.
- Step 2** On the Upgrade Preparation page of the wizard, for each selected WSA:
- Check **Save the current configuration to the configuration directory before upgrading** if you want a back-up copy of the WSA's current configuration saved to that system's `configuration` directory.
  - If the **Save current configuration** option is checked, you can check **Mask passphrases in the configuration file** to have all current-configuration passphrases masked in the back-up copy. Note that the **Load Configuration** command cannot be used to reload back-up files with masked passphrases.
  - If the **Save current configuration** option is checked, you can enter one or more email addresses into the **Email file** to field; a copy of the back-up configuration file is mailed to each address. Separate multiple addresses with commas.
- Step 3** Click **Next**.
- Step 4** The Upgrade Summary page lists upgrade-preparation information for each selected WSA; click **Next** to continue the wizard.
- Step 5** Following a series of device checks such as connection status, the Review page provides a listing of installation status for each WSA. You can deselect devices that are showing an error. Click **Begin Install** to begin installing an upgrade package to each selected WSA.

You are returned to the Centralized Upgrade page where installation status information is displayed.

**Note** Each WSA will be restarted upon completion of the installation.

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### What to do next



**Note** Alternatively, you also can run the installer for any previously downloaded package from the WSA itself. That is, the downloaded upgrade package is listed on the WSA's **System Administration > System Upgrade** page, along with an Install button. See “Upgrading and Updating AsyncOS and Security Service Components” in the Cisco Web Security Appliances User Guide for more information.

## Viewing Web Security Appliance Status

- [Comparing Enabled Features](#) , on page 340
- [Viewing a Summary of Status of Web Appliances](#) , on page 353
- [Viewing Status of Individual Web Security Appliances](#), on page 353
- [Web Appliance Status Details](#) , on page 354

## Viewing a Summary of Status of Web Appliances

The **Web > Utilities > Web Appliance Status** page provides a high-level summary of the Web Security appliances connected to your Security Management appliance.

The Web Appliance Status page displays a list of your connected Web Security appliances, including appliance name, IP address, AsyncOS version, last published configuration information (user, job name, and configuration version), number of security services enabled or disabled, and total number of connected appliances. The warning icon indicates when attention is required for one of your connected appliances.

## Viewing Status of Individual Web Security Appliances

The Appliance Status page provides a detailed view into the status of each connected appliance.

To view details for a managed Web Security appliance on the Web Appliance Status page, click the name of the appliance.

Status information includes general information about the connected Web Security appliances, their published configuration, publish history, feature key status, and so forth.



**Note** Only machines with support for centralized management will have data available for display.



**Note** Warning messages will appear if different versions of the Acceptable Use Control Engine on the Web Security appliance do not match with those on the Security Management appliance. An ‘N/A’ is displayed if the service is disabled or not present on the Web Security appliance.

## Web Appliance Status Details

Most of the information on this page is pulled from the Web Security appliance:

- System status information (uptime, appliance model and serial number, AsyncOS version, build date, AsyncOS installation date and time, and host name)
- Configuration publish history (publish date/time, job name, configuration version, result of the publish, and user)
- Centralized reporting status, including time of last attempted data transfer
- Status of features on Web Security appliances (whether each feature is enabled, status of feature keys)
- Acceptable Use Controls Engine versions on the managed and managing appliances
- AnyConnect Secure Mobility settings on the Web Security appliance
- Cisco Identity Services Engine (ISE) servers to which this Web Security appliance is connected.
- Proxy settings (upstream proxies and HTTP ports to proxy) for the Web Security appliance
- Authentication service information (servers, schemes, realms, and sequences; whether Transparent User Identification is supported; and whether to block or permit traffic if authentication fails)



### Tip

It can take several minutes for the Web Appliance Status page to reflect recent configuration changes that occurred on the Web Security appliances. To refresh the data immediately, click the **Refresh Data** link. The time stamp on the page tells you when the data was last refreshed.

## Preparing For and Managing URL Category Set Updates

In order to ensure that your system has the latest set of predefined URL categories available for managing web usage, the URL category set for Web Usage Controls (WUC) may be updated occasionally: By default, Web Security appliances download URL category set updates automatically from Cisco, and the Security Management appliance receives these updates automatically within a few minutes from managed Web Security appliances.

Because these updates can impact existing configurations and appliance behavior, you should prepare in advance for these updates and take action after they occur.

Actions that you should take include the following:

- [Understand the Impacts of URL Category Set Updates](#) , on page 354
- [Ensure That You Will Receive Notifications and Alerts about URL Category Set Updates](#) , on page 355
- [Specify Default Settings for New and Changed Categories](#) , on page 355
- [When the URL Category Set is Updated, Check Your Policy and Identity/Identification Profile Settings](#) , on page 355

## Understand the Impacts of URL Category Set Updates

When URL category set updates occur, they may change the behavior of existing policies in Configuration Masters.

For essential information about actions you should take before and after URL category set updates, see the “Managing Updates to the Set of URL Categories” section of the “URL Filters” chapter in the AsyncOS for

Cisco Web Security Appliances User Guide at the link provided in [Documentation](#) , on page 577. Category descriptions are in the “URL Category Descriptions” section of the same chapter.

## Ensure That You Will Receive Notifications and Alerts about URL Category Set Updates

| To Receive  | Do This   |
|---|---|
| Advance notification of URL category set updates                            | Sign up now to receive notifications about your Cisco Content Security appliances, which will include notifications about URL category set updates. See <a href="#">Cisco Notification Service</a> , on page 577.   |
| Alerts when URL category set updates have affected existing policy settings | Go to <b>Management Appliance &gt; System Administration &gt; Alerts</b> and make sure that you are configured to receive Warning-level alerts in the System category. More information about alerts is in <a href="#">Managing Alerts</a> , on page 472. |

## Specify Default Settings for New and Changed Categories

Before URL category set updates occur, you should specify default actions for new and merged categories in each policy that offers URL filtering, or import a configuration from a Web Security appliance that has these settings already configured.

For more information, see the “Choosing Default Settings for New and Changed Categories” section in the “URL Filters” chapter of the AsyncOS for Cisco Web Security Appliances User Guide or the online help on the Web Security appliance.

## When the URL Category Set is Updated, Check Your Policy and Identity/Identification Profile Settings

URL category set updates trigger two types of alerts:

- Alerts about category changes
- Alerts about policies that have changed or been disabled as a result of category changes

When you receive alerts about URL category set changes, you should check your existing URL category-based policies and Identities/Identification Profiles to be sure they still meet your policy goals.

For more information about the kinds of changes that might require your attention, see the “Responding to Alerts about URL Category Set Updates” section in the AsyncOS for Cisco Web Security Appliances User Guide.

## Application Visibility and Control (AVC) Updates

The SMA automatically uses the version of the AVC engine that exists on the majority of the Web Security appliances that it manages.

## Troubleshooting Configuration Management Issues

- [In Configuration Master Identities/Identification Profiles, Groups Are Not Available](#) , on page 356
- [Configuration Master Access Policies Web Reputation and Anti-Malware Settings Page Settings are Not as Expected](#), on page 356
- [Troubleshooting Configuration Publishing Failures](#) , on page 357

### In Configuration Master Identities/Identification Profiles, Groups Are Not Available

#### Problem

In **Web > Configuration Master > Identities/Identification Profiles**, the Policy membership definition page doesn't show the Groups option under Selected groups and Users.

#### Solution

If you have multiple Web Security appliances: On each WSA, in **Network > Authentication**, make sure Realm Names are unique across all WSAs, unless all settings are identical for same-name realms.




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**Tip** To see realm names for each WSA, go to **Web > Utilities > Web Appliance Status**, click each appliance name, and scroll to the bottom of the details page.

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### Configuration Master Access Policies Web Reputation and Anti-Malware Settings Page Settings are Not as Expected

#### Problem

The **Access Policies > Web Reputation and Anti-Malware Settings** page in the configuration master is missing expected settings, including the Web Reputation Score threshold settings and the ability to choose anti-malware scanning engines. Or it includes these settings when you are using Adaptive Security on the Web Security appliance.

#### Solution

Available options depend on whether Adaptive Security is selected for that configuration master in **Web > Utilities > Security Services Display** settings.

### Troubleshooting Issues when Importing Existing Configuration for Configuration Masters

#### Problem

After you upgrade to Configuration Master 11.8, if you import an existing configuration to the new Configuration Master, the appliance redirects to the Web Security appliance (WSA\_Sandbox) login page.

#### Solution

After you upgrade your appliance to a version supporting the Configuration Master 11.8, you must associate the Web Security appliances to the Security Management appliance to import configurations from an existing Configuration Master.



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**Note** If you encounter any policy related issues when loading a configuration file, check for GUI logs on your appliance.

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## Troubleshooting Configuration Publishing Failures

### Problem

Publishing a configuration fails.

### Solution

Look at the **Web > Utilities > Web Appliance Status** page. Publishing fails if:

- There is a discrepancy between the status in the “Web Appliance Service” column and the status in the “Is Service Displayed on Management Appliance?” column.
- Both columns show that the feature is enabled but the corresponding Feature Key is not active (for example, is expired).
- The Configuration Master version should match the AsyncOS version on the Web Security appliance. Publishing an older Configuration Master version to a newer Web Security appliance may fail if settings on the Web Security appliance do not match the settings in the Configuration Master. This can occur even if the Web Appliance Status page does not indicate any discrepancies.

### What to do Next:

- [Viewing Publish History](#), on page 348
- [Comparing Enabled Features](#), on page 340
- [Enabling Features to Publish](#), on page 341





## CHAPTER 11

# Monitoring System Status

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- [Monitoring Status of Data Transfer From Managed Appliances](#), on page 362
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- [Identifying Active TCP/IP Services](#), on page 365
- [Replacing a Managed Appliance During Hardware Failure](#), on page 365

## About Security Management Appliance Status

By default, the System Status page is the first page that appears when you access the Cisco Content Security Management appliance from your browser. (To change the landing page, see [Setting Preferences](#), on page 513.)

To access the System Status page at any other time, select **Management Appliance > Centralized Services > System Status**.

Before you enable monitoring services and add a managed appliance, only the System Information section provides status information. If you have run the System Setup Wizard, enabled centralized services, and added managed appliances, the Centralized Services section and the Security Appliance Data Transfer Status section are populated with data.

Status information includes the following:

- **Centralized Services:** Status of each centralized service, including Processing Queue usage
- **System Uptime:** How long the appliance has been running
- **CPU Utilization:** Percentage of CPU capacity used by each monitoring service
- **System Version Information:** Model number, AsyncOS (operating system) version, build date, installation date, and serial number

### Related Topics

- [Monitoring the Processing Queue](#) , on page 361
- [Monitoring CPU Utilization](#) , on page 361
- [Monitoring Status of Data Transfer From Managed Appliances](#) , on page 362

## Monitoring Service Status on the New Web Interface of the Appliance

You can now monitor the status of your managed appliances and manage centralized services on the new web interface of your Security Management appliance.

You can use the **Service Status** tab on the new web interface of your appliance to enable and disable centralized services such as email reporting, message tracking and quarantines.

The **Email Feature Status** section shows the services that are enabled and the number of licenses you have used for each service. Click **View Appliances** to view the number of added appliances. This redirects you to the legacy web interface of the appliance. For more information, see [About Adding Managed Appliances](#), on page 19

You can view the File Analysis details on the Service Status page of the new web interface of your appliance. You must join all managed appliances to the same appliance group in order to allow all content security appliances in your organization to display detailed results in the cloud about files sent for analysis from any Cisco Email Security appliance or Cisco Web Security appliance in your organization.

You can enable and disable the following centralized services on the Service Status page:

- Centralized Reporting

For more information, see [Enabling Centralized Email Reporting on the New Web Interface](#), on page 51.

- Centralized Message Tracking

For more information, see [Enabling Centralized Email Tracking on the New Web Interface](#), on page 249.

- Centralized Spam Quarantines

For more information, see the following:

- [Enabling and Configuring Spam Quarantine on the New Web Interface](#), on page 268.
- [Notifying End Users About Quarantined Messages](#) , on page 290.
- [Configuring End-User Access to the Spam Quarantine](#) , on page 288.
- [Enabling Safelists and Blocklists on the New Web Interface](#), on page 276.

- Centralized Policy, Virus and Outbreak Quarantines

For more information, see [Enabling Centralized Policy, Virus, and Outbreak Quarantines on the New Web Interface of the Appliance](#) , on page 304.

- Safelists and Blocklists

For more information, see [Enabling Safelists and Blocklists on the New Web Interface](#), on page 276.



# Monitoring Security Management Appliance Capacity

- [Monitoring the Processing Queue](#) , on page 361
- [Monitoring CPU Utilization](#) , on page 361

## Monitoring the Processing Queue

You can periodically check the processing queue percentages used for email and web reporting and tracking to determine whether your appliance is running at optimal capacity.

The processing queue stores centralized reporting and tracking files as they await processing by the Security Management appliance. Normally, the Security Management appliance receives batches of reporting and tracking files for processing. The percentage of reporting or tracking files in the processing queue typically fluctuates as the files are transmitted from managed appliances and processed by the Security Management appliance.



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**Note** Processing queue percentages gauge the number of files in the queue. They do not take file size into account. The percentages provide only a rough estimate of the Security Management appliance's processing load.

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### Procedure

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- Step 1** [New Web Interface Only] On the Security Management appliance, select **Email** from the Product drop-down and choose **Service Status**.
- Step 2** On the Security Management appliance, choose **Management Appliance > Centralized Services > System Status**.
- Step 3** In the **Centralized Services** section at the top of the page, look at the Processing Queue percentages for:
- Centralized Reporting (Email Security subsection)
  - Centralized Message Tracking
  - Centralized Reporting (Web Security subsection)
- Step 4** If the processing queue usage percentages remain consistently high over several hours or days, then the system is running at or beyond capacity.

In that case, consider removing some of the managed appliances from the Security Management appliance, installing additional Security Management appliances, or both.

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## Monitoring CPU Utilization

To view the percentage of its CPU capacity that the Security Management appliance is using for each centralized service:

## Procedure

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- Step 1** [New Web Interface Only] On the Security Management appliance, select **Email** from the Product drop-down and choose **Service Status**.
- Step 2** Select **Management Appliance > Centralized Services > System Status**.
- Step 3** Scroll to the **System Information** section and view the **CPU Utilization** subsection.
- The CPU Utilization percentages indicate the portion of the Security Management appliance's CPU processing that is devoted to each of the main centralized services. Utilization percentages for some services may be combined. For example, email reporting are combined under "Reporting Service" while spam, policy, virus, and outbreak quarantines are combined under "Quarantine Services." Other operations of the Security Management appliance are grouped under the general heading "Security Management appliance."
- Step 4** Refresh the browser display to view the most recent data.
- The CPU utilization percentages change constantly.
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# Monitoring Status of Data Transfer From Managed Appliances

To perform centralized management functions, the Security Management appliance relies on the successful transfer of data from the managed appliances to the Security Management appliance. The Security Appliance Data Transfer Status section provides status information about each appliance that is managed by the Security Management appliance.

By default, the Security Appliance Data Transfer Status section displays up to ten appliances. If the Security Management appliance manages more than ten appliances, you can use the Items Displayed menu to select the number of appliances to display.



**Note** Summary information about data transfer status appears in the Services section at the top of the System Status page. The Security Appliance Data Transfer Status section provides appliance-specific data transfer status.

In the Security Appliance Data Transfer Status section of the System Status page, you can view connection status issues for specific appliances. For detailed information about the status of each service on an appliance, click the appliance name to view the Data Transfer Status page for the appliance.

The Data Transfer Status: *Appliance\_Name* page shows when the last data transfer occurred for each monitoring service.

The data transfer status for Email Security appliances can be one of the following values:

- **Not enabled:** The monitoring service is not enabled on the Email Security appliance.
- **Never connected:** The monitoring service is enabled on the Email Security appliance, but no connection has been established between the Email Security appliance and the Security Management appliance.
- **Waiting for data:** The Email Security appliance has connected to the Security Management appliance, which is waiting to receive data.
- **Connected and transferred data:** A connection was established between the Email Security appliance and the Security Management appliance, and data were successfully transferred.

- **File transfer failure:** A connection was established between the Email Security appliance and the Security Management appliance, but the data transfer failed.

The data transfer status for Web Security appliances can be one of the following values:

- **Not enabled:** The centralized configuration manager is not enabled for the Web Security appliance.
- **Never connected:** The centralized configuration manager is enabled for the Web Security appliance, but no connection has been established between the Web Security appliance and the Security Management appliance.
- **Waiting for data:** The Web Security appliance has connected to the Security Management appliance, which is waiting to receive data.
- **Connected and transferred data:** A connection was established between the Web Security appliance and the Security Management appliance, and data were successfully transferred.
- **Configuration push failure:** The Security Management appliance attempted to push a configuration file to the Web Security appliance, but the transfer failed.
- **Configuration push pending:** The Security Management appliance is in the process of pushing a configuration file to the Web Security appliance.
- **Configuration push success:** The Security Management appliance successfully pushed a configuration file to the Web Security appliance.

Data transfer issues can reflect temporary network problems or appliance configuration issues. The statuses of “Never connected” and “Waiting for data” are normal, transient statuses when you first add a managed appliance to the Security Management appliance. If the status does not eventually change to “Connected and transferred data,” then the data transfer status might indicate a configuration issue.

If the “File transfer failure” status appears for an appliance, monitor the appliance to determine if the failure was caused by a network issue or by a problem with the appliance configuration. If no network issues prevent data transfer and the status does not change to “Connected and transferred data,” then you might need to change the appliance configuration to enable data transfer.

## Viewing the Configuration Status of Your Managed Appliances

You can view the configuration status of your managed appliances in one of the following ways:

- [New Web Interface Only] On the Security Management appliance, select **Email** from the Product drop-down and choose **Service Status**.
- On the Security Management appliance, choose **Management Appliance > Centralized Services > System Status**.

The Centralized Service Status section shows which services are enabled and how many licenses you have used for each service. The Security Appliances section lists the appliances you have added. Check marks indicate the enabled services, and the Connection Established? column shows whether or not file transfer access is properly configured.

### Related Topics

- [Designating an Alternate Appliance to Process Released Messages, on page 307](#)

- [About Adding Managed Appliances, on page 19](#)

## Additional Status Information for Web Security Appliances

For additional status information about Web Security appliances, see [Viewing Status of Individual Web Security Appliances, on page 353](#).

## Monitoring Reporting Data Availability Status

The Security Management appliance enables you to monitor the availability of reporting data for a specified time period. See the appropriate section for your appliance:

- [Monitoring Email Security Reporting Data Availability, on page 364](#)

## Monitoring Email Security Reporting Data Availability

To monitor reporting data from your Email Security appliances on the Security Management appliance, view the **Email > Reporting > Reporting Data Availability** page.

From the **Reporting Data Availability** page, you can view the percentage of reporting data that the Security Management appliance received from your Email Security appliances over a specified period of time. A bar chart indicates the completeness of the data received during the time range.

You can monitor reporting data availability for the preceding day, week, month, or year. If the Security Management appliance received less than 100% of the reporting data from the Email Security appliances, you can tell immediately that your data may be incomplete. Use the data availability information to validate reporting data and to troubleshoot system problems.

## Monitoring Web Security Reporting Data Availability

To monitor reporting data from your Web Security appliances on the Security Management appliance, view the **Web > Reporting > Data Availability** page.

From the Data Availability page you can update and sort data to provide real-time visibility into resource utilization and web traffic trouble spots.



### Note

In the Web Reporting Data Availability window, Web Reporting will show disabled only if **both** Web Reporting and Email Reporting are disabled.

All data resource utilization and web traffic trouble spots are shown from this page. By clicking on one of the listed Web Security appliance links, you can view reporting data availability for that appliance.

You can monitor reporting data availability for the preceding day, week, month, or year. If the Security Management appliance received less than 100% of the reporting data from the Web Security appliances, you can tell immediately that your data may be incomplete. Use the data availability information to validate reporting data and to troubleshoot system problems.

If data availability is used within a scheduled report for URL Categories, and there are gaps in data for any of the appliances, the following message is displayed at the bottom of the page: “Some data in this time range was unavailable.” If there are no gaps present, nothing appears.

See the [Data Availability Page, on page 196](#) for more information on the Data Availability page on the Web Security appliance.

## Monitoring Email Tracking Data Status

To monitor the status of email tracking data, view the **Email > Message Tracking > Message Tracking Data Availability** page.

## Monitoring Capacity of Managed Appliances

You can monitor capacity of your managed appliances from the Security Management appliance. You can check the collective capacity of all Email or Web Security appliances and the capacity of each individual appliance.

| To View Capacity of               | See   |
|-----------------------------------|---|
| Managed Web Security appliances   | <a href="#">System Capacity Page, on page 194</a> |
| Managed Email Security appliances | <a href="#">System Capacity Page, on page 91</a>  |

## Identifying Active TCP/IP Services

To identify active TCP/IP services used by your Security Management appliance, use the `tcpservices` command in the command line interface.

## Replacing a Managed Appliance During Hardware Failure

If you have to replace a managed appliance due to a hardware failure or other reasons, the data from the replaced appliance will not be lost, but the data will not be displayed correctly on the Security Management appliance.

Upon replacing a managed appliance, add the new appliance to the list of hosts on the SMA, and connect it to the new appliance. If the IP address remains the same, change the IP on the old host entry to a non existing value.





## CHAPTER 12

# Integrating With LDAP

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## Overview

If you maintain end-user passphrases and email aliases in a corporate LDAP directory — for example, in Microsoft Active Directory, SunONE Directory Server, or OpenLDAP directories — you can use the LDAP directory to authenticate the following users:

- End users and administrative users who access the spam quarantine.

When a user logs in to the web UI for the spam quarantine, the LDAP server validates the login name and passphrase, and AsyncOS retrieves a list of the corresponding email aliases. Quarantined messages sent to any of the user's email aliases can appear in the spam quarantine, as long as the appliance does not rewrite them.

See [Configuring LDAP to Work with the Spam Quarantine, on page 367](#).

- Administrative users who sign in to the Cisco Content Security Management appliance when External Authentication is enabled and configured.

See [Configuring External Authentication of Administrative Users Using LDAP , on page 380](#).

## Configuring LDAP to Work with the Spam Quarantine

When you configure your Cisco Content Security appliance to work with an LDAP directory, you must complete the following steps to set up for acceptance, routing, aliasing, and masquerading:

## Procedure

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### Step 1 Configure an LDAP server profile.

The server profile contains information to enable AsyncOS to connect to the LDAP server, such as:

- Server name and port
- Base DN
- Authentication requirements for binding to the server

For more information about configuring a server profile, see [Creating the LDAP Server Profile, on page 368](#).

When you create the LDAP server profile, you can configure AsyncOS to connect to multiple LDAP servers. For more information, see [Configuring AsyncOS to Work With Multiple LDAP Servers, on page 377](#).

### Step 2 Configure the LDAP queries.

You can either use the default spam quarantine queries generated for the LDAP server profile or create your own queries that are tailored to your particular LDAP implementation and schema. You then designate the active queries for spam notifications and end-user access to the quarantine.

For information about queries, see [Configuring LDAP Queries, on page 370](#).

### Step 3 Enable LDAP end-user access and spam notifications for the spam quarantine.

Enable LDAP end-user access to the spam quarantine to allow end-users to view and manage messages in their quarantine. You can also enable alias consolidation for spam notifications to prevent the user from receiving multiple notifications.

For more information, see [Setting Up the Centralized Spam Quarantine](#).

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## Creating the LDAP Server Profile

When you configure AsyncOS to use LDAP directories, you create an LDAP server profile to store the information about the LDAP server.

## Procedure

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**Step 1** [New Web Interface Only] On the Security Management appliance, click  to load the legacy web interface.

**Step 2** Choose **Management Appliance > System Administration > LDAP**.

**Step 3** Click **Add LDAP Server Profile**.

**Step 4** Enter a name for the server profile in the **LDAP Server Profile Name** text field.

**Step 5** Enter the host name for the LDAP server in the **Host Name(s)** text field.

You can enter multiple host names to configure the LDAP servers for failover or load-balancing. Separate multiple entries with commas. For more information, see [Configuring AsyncOS to Work With Multiple LDAP Servers, on page 377](#).



- Step 6** Select an authentication method. You can use anonymous authentication or specify a user name and passphrase.
- Note** You need to configure LDAP authentication to view client user IDs instead of client IP addresses on reports. Without LDAP authentication the system can only refer to users by their IP address. Choose the **Use Passphrase** radio button, and enter the User name and passphrase. The user name will now be seen on the User Mail Summary page.
- Step 7** Select the LDAP server type: Active Directory, OpenLDAP, or Unknown or Other.
- Step 8** Enter a port number.
- The default port is 3268. This is the default port for Active Directory that enables it to access the global catalog in a multi-server environment.
- Step 9** Enter a base DN (distinguishing name) for the LDAP server.
- If you authenticate with a user name and a passphrase, the user name must include the full DN to the entry that contains the passphrase. For example, a user with an email address of `joe@example.com` is a user of the marketing group. The entry for this user would look like the following entry:
- ```
uid=joe, ou=marketing, dc=example dc=com
```
- Step 10** Under Advanced, select whether to use SSL when communicating with the LDAP server.
- Step 11** Enter the cache time-to-live. This value represents the amount of time to retain caches.
- Step 12** Enter the maximum number of retained cache entries.
- Step 13** Enter a maximum number of simultaneous connections.
- If you configure the LDAP server profile for load balancing, these connections are distributed among the listed LDAP servers. For example, if you configure 10 simultaneous connections and load balance the connections over three servers, AsyncOS creates 10 connections to each server, for a total of 30 connections. For more information, see [Load Balancing, on page 379](#).
- Note** The maximum number of simultaneous connections includes LDAP connections used for LDAP queries. However, if you enable LDAP authentication for the spam quarantine, the appliance allows 20 additional connections for the end user quarantine for a total of 30 connections.
- Step 14** Test the connection to the server by clicking the Test Server(s) button. If you specified multiple LDAP servers, they are all tested. The results of the test appear in the Connection Status field. For more information, see [Testing LDAP Servers, on page 370](#).
- Step 15** Create spam quarantine queries by selecting the check box and completing the fields.
- You can configure the quarantine end-user authentication query to validate users when they log in to the end-user quarantine. You can configure the alias consolidation query so that end-users do not receive quarantine notices for each email alias. To use these queries, select the “Designate as the active query” check box. For more information, see [Configuring LDAP Queries, on page 370](#).
- Step 16** Test the spam quarantine queries by clicking the Test Query button.
- Enter the test parameters and click Run Test. The results of the test appear in the Connection Status field. If you make any changes to the query definition or attributes, click **Update**.
- Note** If you have configured the LDAP server to allow binds with empty passphrases, the query can pass the test with an empty passphrase field.
- Step 17** Submit and commit your changes.

Active Directory server configurations do not allow authentication through TLS with Windows 2000. This is a known issue with Active Directory. TLS authentication for Active Directory and Windows 2003 *does* work.

**Note** Although the number of server configurations is unlimited, you can configure only one end-user authentication query and one alias consolidation query per server.

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## Testing LDAP Servers

Use the Test Server(s) button on the Add/Edit LDAP Server Profile page (or the test subcommand of the `ldapconfig` command in the CLI) to test the connection to the LDAP server. AsyncOS displays a message stating whether the connection to the server port succeeded or failed. If you configured multiple LDAP servers, AsyncOS tests each server and displays individual results.

## Configuring LDAP Queries

The following sections provide the default query strings and configuration details for each type of spam quarantine query:

- **Spam quarantine end-user authentication query.** For more information, see the [Spam Quarantine End-User Authentication Queries, on page 371](#).
- **Spam quarantine alias consolidation query.** For more information, see [Spam Quarantine Alias Consolidation Queries, on page 372](#).

To have the quarantine use an LDAP query for end-user access or spam notifications, select the “Designate as the active query” check box. You can designate one end-user authentication query to control quarantine access and one alias consolidation query for spam notifications. Any existing active queries are disabled. On the Security Management appliance, choose **Management Appliance > System Administration > LDAP** page, an asterisk (\*) is displayed next to the active queries.

You can also specify a domain-based query or chain query as an active end-user access or spam notification query. For more information, see [Domain-Based Queries, on page 374](#) and [Chain Queries, on page 376](#).



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**Note** Use the Test Query button on the LDAP page (or the `ldaptest` command) to verify that your queries return the expected results.

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- [LDAP Query Syntax, on page 370](#)
- [Tokens, on page 371](#)

## LDAP Query Syntax

Spaces are allowed in LDAP paths, and they do not need to be quoted. The CN and DC syntax is not case-sensitive.

Cn=First Last,oU=user,dc=domain,DC=COM

The variable names you enter for queries are case-sensitive and must match your LDAP implementation in order to work correctly. For example, entering **mailLocalAddress** at a prompt performs a different query than entering **maillocaladdress**.

## Tokens

You can use the following tokens in your LDAP queries:

- {a} username@domainname
- {d} domain
- {dn} distinguished name
- {g} group name
- {u} user name
- {f} MAILFROM: address




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**Note** The {f} token is valid in acceptance queries only.

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For example, you might use the following query to accept mail for an Active Directory LDAP server:  
`((mail={a})(proxyAddresses=smtp:{a}))`




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**Note** We strongly recommend using the Test feature of the LDAP page (or the **test** subcommand of the **ldapconfig** command) to test all queries you construct and ensure that expected results are returned before you enable LDAP functionality on a listener. See the [Testing LDAP Queries, on page 374](#) for more information.

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## Spam Quarantine End-User Authentication Queries

End-user authentication queries validate users when they log in to the spam quarantine. The token {u} specifies the user (it represents the user's login name). The token {a} specifies the user's email address. The LDAP query does not strip "SMTP:" from the email address; AsyncOS strips that portion of the address.

Based on the server type, AsyncOS uses one of the following default query strings for the end-user authentication query:

- **Active Directory:** (sAMAccountName={u})
- **OpenLDAP:** (uid={u})
- **Unknown or Other:** [Blank]

By default, the primary email attribute is **mail**. You can enter your own query and email attributes. To create the query in the CLI, use the **isqauth** subcommand of the **ldapconfig** command.




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**Note** If you want users to log in with their full email addresses, use (mail=smtp:{a}) for the query string.

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## Sample Active Directory End-User Authentication Settings

This section shows sample settings for an Active Directory server and the end-user authentication query. This example uses passphrase authentication for the Active Directory server, the default query string for end-user authentication for Active Directory servers, and the mail and proxyAddresses email attributes.

**Table 73: Example LDAP Server and Spam Quarantine End-User Authentication Settings: Active Directory**

| Authentication Method | Use Passphrase (Need to create a low-privilege user to bind for searching, or configure anonymous searching.) |
|-----------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Server Type           | Active Directory                                                                                              |
| Port                  | 3268                                                                                                          |
| Base DN               | [Blank]                                                                                                       |
| Connection Protocol   | [Blank]                                                                                                       |
| Query String          | (sAMAccountName={u})                                                                                          |
| Email Attribute(s)    | mail,proxyAddresses                                                                                           |

## Sample OpenLDAP End-User Authentication Settings

This section shows sample settings for an OpenLDAP server and the end-user authentication query. This example uses anonymous authentication for the OpenLDAP server, the default query string for end-user authentication for OpenLDAP servers, and the mail and mailLocalAddress email attributes.

**Table 74: Example LDAP Server and Spam Quarantine End-User Authentication Settings: OpenLDAP**

| Authentication Method | Anonymous                                                         |
|-----------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Server Type           | OpenLDAP                                                          |
| Port                  | 389                                                               |
| Base DN               | [Blank] (Some older schemas will want to use a specific Base DN.) |
| Connection Protocol   | [Blank]                                                           |
| Query String          | (uid={u})                                                         |
| Email Attribute(s)    | mail,mailLocalAddress                                             |

## Spam Quarantine Alias Consolidation Queries

If you use spam notifications, the spam quarantine alias consolidation query consolidates the email aliases so that recipients do not receive quarantine notices for each alias. For example, a recipient might receive mail for the following email addresses: john@example.com, jsmith@example.com, and john.smith@example.com. When you use alias consolidation, the recipient receives a single spam notification at a chosen primary email address for messages sent to all of the user's aliases.

To consolidate messages to a primary email address, create a query to search for a recipient's alternate email aliases, and then enter the attribute for the recipient's primary email address in the Email Attribute field.

For Active Directory servers, the default query string (which may or may not be different for your deployment) is `((proxyAddresses={a})(proxyAddresses=smtp:{a}))` and the default email attribute is `mail`. For OpenLDAP servers, the default query string is `(mail={a})` and the default email attribute is `mail`. You can define your own query and email attributes, including multiple attributes separated by commas. If you enter more than one email attribute, Cisco recommends entering a unique attribute that uses a single value, such as `mail`, as the first email attribute instead of an attribute with multiple values that can change, such as `proxyAddresses`.

To create the query in the CLI, use the `isqalias` subcommand of the `ldapconfig` command.

- [Sample Active Directory Alias Consolidation Settings, on page 373](#)
- [Sample OpenLDAP Alias Consolidation Settings, on page 373](#)

## Sample Active Directory Alias Consolidation Settings

This section shows sample settings for an Active Directory server and the alias consolidation query. This example uses anonymous authentication for the Active Directory server, a query string for alias consolidation for Active Directory servers, and the `mail` email attribute.

**Table 75: Example LDAP Server and Spam Quarantine Alias Consolidation Settings: Active Directory**

| Authentication Method | Anonymous                                |
|-----------------------|------------------------------------------|
| Server Type           | Active Directory                         |
| Port                  | 3268                                     |
| Base DN               | [Blank]                                  |
| Connection Protocol   | Use SSL                                  |
| Query String          | <code>((mail={a})(mail=smtp:{a}))</code> |
| Email Attribute       | <code>mail</code>                        |

## Sample OpenLDAP Alias Consolidation Settings

This section shows sample settings for an OpenLDAP server and the alias consolidation query. This example uses anonymous authentication for the OpenLDAP server, a query string for alias consolidation for OpenLDAP servers, and the `mail` email attribute.

**Table 76: Example LDAP Server and Spam Quarantine Alias Consolidation Settings: OpenLDAP**

| Authentication Method | Anonymous                                                         |
|-----------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Server Type           | OpenLDAP                                                          |
| Port                  | 389                                                               |
| Base DN               | [Blank] (Some older schemas will want to use a specific Base DN.) |

|                              |                  |
|------------------------------|------------------|
| <b>Authentication Method</b> | <b>Anonymous</b> |
| Connection Protocol          | Use SSL          |
| Query String                 | (mail={a}))      |
| Email Attribute              | mail             |

## Testing LDAP Queries

Use the Test Query button on the Add/Edit LDAP Server Profile page (or the `ldaptest` command in the CLI) to test your queries. AsyncOS displays details about each stage of the query connection test. For example, whether the first stage SMTP authorization succeeded or failed, and whether the BIND match returned a true or false result.

The `ldaptest` command is available as a batch command, for example:

```
ldaptest LDAP.isqalias foo@cisco.com
```

The variable names you enter for queries are *case-sensitive* and must match your LDAP implementation to work correctly. For example, entering `mailLocalAddress` for the email attribute performs a different query than entering `maillocaladdress`.

To test a query, you must enter the test parameters and click Run Test. The results appear in the Test Connection field. If an end-user authentication query succeeds, a result of “Success: Action: match positive” is displayed. For alias consolidation queries, a result of “Success: Action: alias consolidation” is displayed, along with the email address for the consolidated spam notifications. If a query fails, AsyncOS displays a reason for the failure, such as no matching LDAP records were found, or the matching record did not contain the email attribute. If you use multiple LDAP servers, the Cisco Content Security appliance tests the query on each LDAP server.

## Domain-Based Queries

Domain-based queries are LDAP queries that are grouped by type and associated with a domain. You might want to use domain-based queries if different LDAP servers are associated with different domains, but you need to run queries for all your LDAP servers for end-user quarantine access. For example, a company called Bigfish owns the domains `Bigfish.com`, `Redfish.com`, and `Bluefish.com`, and it maintains a different LDAP server for employees associated with each domain. Bigfish can use a domain-based query to authenticate end-users against the LDAP directories of all three domains.

To use a domain-based query to control end-user access or notifications for the spam quarantine, complete the following steps:

### Procedure


#### Step 1

Create an LDAP server profile for each domain you want to use in the domain-based query. In each server profile, configure the queries you want to use in the domain-based query. For more information, see [Creating the LDAP Server Profile, on page 368](#).

- Step 2** Create the domain-based query. When you create the domain-based query, you select queries from each server profile, and designate the domain-based query as an active query for the spam quarantine. For more information about creating the query, see [Creating a Domain-Based Query, on page 375](#).
- Step 3** Enable end-user access or spam notifications for the spam quarantine. For more information, see [Setting Up End-User Access to the Spam Quarantine via Web Browser , on page 287](#).



## Creating a Domain-Based Query

### Procedure

- Step 1** [New Web Interface Only] On the Security Management appliance, click  to load the legacy web interface.
- Step 2** Choose **Management Appliance > System Administration > LDAP**.
- Step 3** On the LDAP page, click **Advanced**.
- Step 4** Enter a name for the domain-based query.
- Step 5** Select the query type.
- Note** When you create a domain-based query, you specify a single query type. After you select a query type, the query field drop-down lists contain the appropriate queries from the LDAP server profiles.
- Step 6** In the Domain Assignments field, enter a domain.
- Step 7** Select a query to associate with the domain.
- Step 8** Add a row and select a query for each domain in the domain-based query.
- Step 9** Enter a default query to run if all other queries fail. If you do not want to enter a default query, select **None**.

**Figure 6: Example Domain-based Query**

Add Domain Assignments

| Domain Assignments                                                          |                        |                                                                                       |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Name: BigFish_Auth                                                          |                        |                                                                                       |
| Query Type: Spam Quarantine End-User Authentication                         |                        | <input type="checkbox"/> Designate as the active query                                |
| Domain Assignments:                                                         |                        |                                                                                       |
| Domain or Partial Domain                                                    | Query                  | Add Row                                                                               |
| bluefish.com                                                                | bluefish.isq_user_auth |  |
| fedfish.com                                                                 | Redfish.isq_user_auth  |  |
| Default Query: None                                                         |                        |                                                                                       |
| Test: <input type="button" value="Test Query"/>                             |                        |                                                                                       |
| <input type="button" value="Cancel"/> <input type="button" value="Submit"/> |                        |                                                                                       |

- Step 10** Test the query by clicking the Test Query button and entering a user login and passphrase or an email address to test in the Test Parameters fields. The results appear in the Connection Status field.
- Step 11** Check the **Designate as the active query** checkbox if you want the spam quarantine to use the domain-based query.
- Note** The domain-based query becomes the active LDAP query for the specified query type. For example, if the domain-based query is used for end-user authentication, it becomes the active end-user authentication query for the spam quarantine.
- Step 12** Click **Submit** and then click **Commit** to commit your changes.

**Note** To do the same configuration on the command line interface, type the `advanced` subcommand of the `ldapconfig` command at the command line prompt.

## Chain Queries

A chain query is a series of LDAP queries that AsyncOS runs in succession. AsyncOS runs each query in the series each query in the “chain” until the LDAP server returns a positive response or the final query returns a negative response or fails. Chain queries can be useful if entries in LDAP directories use different attributes to store similar (or the same) values. For example, departments in an organization might use different types of LDAP directories. The IT department might use OpenLDAP while the Sales department uses Active Directory. To ensure that queries run against both types of LDAP directories, you can use chain queries.

To use a chain query to control end-user access or notifications for the spam quarantine, complete the following steps:

### Procedure


- Step 1** Create an LDAP server profile for each query you want to use in the chain queries. For each of the server profiles, configure the queries you want to use for a chain query. For more information, see [Creating the LDAP Server Profile, on page 368](#).
- Step 2** Create the chain query and designate it as an active query for the spam quarantine. For more information, see [Creating a Chain Query, on page 376](#).
- Step 3** Enable LDAP end-user access or spam notifications for the spam quarantine. For more information about the spam quarantine, see [Setting Up the Centralized Spam Quarantine](#).

## Creating a Chain Query



**Tip** You can also use the advanced subcommand of the `ldapconfig` command in the CLI.

### Procedure

- Step 1** [New Web Interface Only] On the Security Management appliance, click  to load the legacy web interface.
- Step 2** Choose **Management Appliance > System Administration > LDAP > LDAP Server**.
- Step 3** From the LDAP Server Profiles page, click **Advanced**.
- Step 4** Click **Add Chained Query**.
- Step 5** Enter a name for the chain query.
- Step 6** Select the query type.

When you create a chain query, all of its component queries have the same query type. After you select a query type, the query field drop-down lists display the appropriate queries from the LDAP.



**Step 7** Select the first query in the chain.

The Cisco Content Security appliance runs the queries in the order you configure them. If you add multiple queries to the chain query, you might want to order them so that general queries follow granular queries.

**Figure 7: Example Chain Query**

Add Chained Query

| Order | Query                  |
|-------|------------------------|
| 1     | Server1.lisq_user_auth |
| 2     | Server2.lisq_user_auth |

**Step 8** Test the query by clicking the Test Query button and entering a user login and passphrase or an email address in the Test Parameters fields. The results appear in the Connection Status field.

**Step 9** Check the **Designate as the active query** check box if you want the spam quarantine to use the domain query.

**Note** The chain query becomes the active LDAP query for the specified query type. For example, if the chain query is used for end-user authentication, it becomes the active end-user authentication query for the spam quarantine.

**Step 10** Submit and commit your changes.

**Note** To do the same configuration on the command line interface, type the `advanced` subcommand of the `ldapconfig` command at the command line prompt.

## Configuring AsyncOS to Work With Multiple LDAP Servers

When you configure an LDAP server profile, you can configure the Cisco Content Security appliance to connect to a list of multiple LDAP servers. If you use multiple LDAP servers, they need to contain the same information, have the same structure, and use the same authentication information. Third-party products exist that can consolidate the records.

You configure the Cisco Content Security appliance to connect to redundant LDAP servers to use the following features:

- **Failover.** If the Cisco Content Security appliance cannot connect to an LDAP server, it connects to the next server in the list.
- **Load Balancing.** The Cisco Content Security appliance distributes connections across the list of LDAP servers when it performs LDAP queries.

You can configure redundant LDAP servers on the Management Appliance > System Administration > LDAP page or by using the CLI `ldapconfig` command.

## Testing Servers and Queries

Use the Test Server(s) button on the Add (or Edit) LDAP Server Profile page (or the test subcommand in the CLI) to test the connection to an LDAP server. If you use multiple LDAP servers, AsyncOS tests each server and displays individual results for each server. AsyncOS will also test the query on each LDAP server and display the individual results.

## Failover

To ensure an LDAP server is available to that resolve queries, you can configure the LDAP profile for failover. If the connection to the LDAP server fails, or the query returns an error for which it is appropriate to do so, the appliance attempts to query the next LDAP server specified in the list.

The Cisco Content Security appliance attempts to connect to the first server in the list of LDAP servers for a specified period of time. If the appliance cannot connect to the first LDAP server in the list, or the query returns an error, the appliance attempts to connect to the next LDAP server in the list. By default, the appliance always attempts to connect to the first server in the list, and it attempts to connect to each subsequent server in the order they are listed. To ensure that the Cisco Content Security appliance connects to the primary LDAP server by default, enter it as the first server in the list of LDAP servers.




**Note** Only attempts to query a specified LDAP server fail over. Attempts to query referral or continuation servers associated with the specified LDAP server do not fail over.

If the Cisco Content Security appliance connects to a second or subsequent LDAP server, it remains connected to that server for a specified period of time. At the end of this period, the appliance attempts to reconnect to the first server in the list.

## Configuring the Cisco Content Security Appliance for LDAP Failover

### Procedure

- Step 1** [New Web Interface Only] On the Security Management appliance, click  to load the legacy web interface.
- Step 2** Choose **Management Appliance > System Administration > LDAP**.
- Step 3** Select the LDAP server profile you want to edit.

In the following example, the LDAP server name is example.com.

**Figure 8: Example LDAP Failover Configuration**

| LDAP Server Settings      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
|---------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Server Attributes         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| LDAP Server Profile Name: | example.com                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| Host Name(s):             | ldapservers1.example.com, ldapservers2.example.com, ldapservers3.example.com<br><small>(Full, qualified hostname or IP, separate multiple entries with a comma)</small>                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Authentication Method:    | <input checked="" type="radio"/> Anonymous<br><input type="radio"/> Use Password<br>Username: <input type="text"/><br>Password: <input type="password"/>                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| Server Type:              | Unknown or Other                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| Port:                     | 3268                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| Base DN:                  | dc=example, dc=com                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| Advanced:                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Use SSL<br>Cache TTL (time-to-live): 900 Seconds<br>Maximum Retained Cache Entries: 10000<br>Maximum number of simultaneous connections for each host: 10<br>Multiple host options:<br><input type="radio"/> Load-balance connections among all hosts listed<br><input checked="" type="radio"/> Failover connections in the order listed |

- Step 4** In the Hostname text field, type the LDAP Servers; for example **ldapservers.example.com**.
- Step 5** In the Maximum number of simultaneous connections for each host text field, type the maximum number of connections.

In this example the maximum number of connections is **10**.

- Step 6** Click on the radio button next to **Failover connections in the order list**.
- Step 7** Configure other LDAP options as necessary.
- Step 8** Submit and commit the changes.

## Load Balancing


To distribute LDAP connections among a group of LDAP servers, you can configure your LDAP profile for load balancing.

When you use load balancing, the Cisco Content Security appliance distributes connections among the LDAP servers listed. If a connection fails or times out, the appliance determines which LDAP servers are available and reconnects to available servers. The appliance determines the number of simultaneous connections to establish based on the maximum number of connections you configure.

If one of the listed LDAP servers does not respond, the appliance distributes the connection load among the remaining LDAP servers.

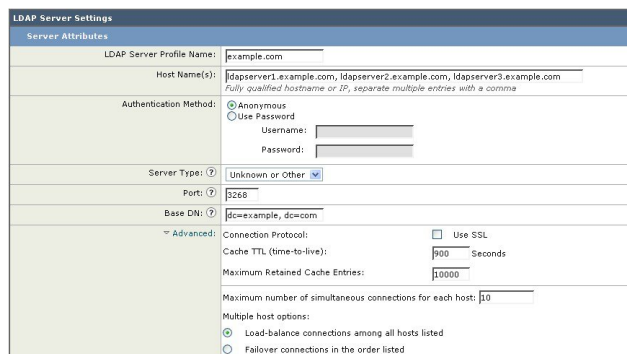
## Configuring the Cisco Content Security Appliance for Load Balancing

### Procedure

- Step 1** [New Web Interface Only] On the Security Management appliance, click  to load the legacy web interface.
- Step 2** Choose **Management Appliance > System Administration > LDAP**.
- Step 3** Select the LDAP server profile you want to edit

In the following example, the LDAP server name is example.com.

**Figure 9: Example Loadbalancing Configuration**



| LDAP Server Settings      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
|---------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Server Attributes         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| LDAP Server Profile Name: | example.com                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Host Name(s):             | ldapsrvr1.example.com, ldapsrvr2.example.com, ldapsrvr3.example.com<br><small>Fully qualified hostname or IP, separate multiple entries with a comma</small>                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Authentication Method:    | <input checked="" type="radio"/> Anonymous<br><input type="radio"/> Use Password<br>Username: <input type="text"/><br>Password: <input type="password"/>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| Server Type:              | Unknown or Other                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| Port:                     | 3268                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Base DN:                  | dc=example, dc=com                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| Advanced:                 | Connection Protocol: <input type="checkbox"/> Use SSL<br>Cache TTL (time-to-live): 900 Seconds<br>Maximum Retained Cache Entries: 10000<br>Maximum number of simultaneous connections for each host: 10<br>Multiple host options:<br><input checked="" type="radio"/> Load-balance connections among all hosts listed<br><input type="radio"/> Failover connections in the order listed |

- Step 4** In the Hostname text field, type the LDAP Servers; for example **ldapsrvr.example.com**.
- Step 5** In the Maximum number of simultaneous connections for each host text field, type the maximum number of connections.  
In this example the maximum number of connections is **10**.
- Step 6** Click on the radio button next to **Load balance connections among all hosts**.
- Step 7** Configure other LDAP options as necessary.

**Step 8** Submit and commit the changes.

## Configuring External Authentication of Administrative Users Using LDAP

You can configure the Cisco Content Security appliance to use an LDAP directory on your network to authenticate administrative users by allowing them to log in to the appliance with their LDAP user names and passphrases.

### Procedure

- Step 1** **Configure the LDAP Server Profile.** See [Creating the LDAP Server Profile, on page 368](#).
- Step 2** **Create a query to find user accounts.** In an LDAP server profile, in the External Authentication Queries section, create a query to search for user accounts in the LDAP directory. See [User Accounts Query for Authenticating Administrative Users , on page 380](#).
- Step 3** **Create group membership queries.** Create a query to determine if a user is a member of a directory group, and create a separate query to find all members of a group. For more information, see [Group Membership Queries for Authenticating Administrative Users , on page 381](#) and the documentation or online help for your Email Security appliance.
- Note** Use the **Test Queries** button in the External Authentication Queries section of the page (or the `ldaptest` command) to verify that your queries return the expected results. For related information, see [Testing LDAP Queries, on page 374](#).
- Step 4** **Set up external authentication to use the LDAP server.** Enable the appliance to use the LDAP server for user authentication and assign user roles to the groups in the LDAP directory. For more information, see [Enabling External Authentication of Administrative Users , on page 382](#) and the “Adding Users” in the documentation or online help for your Email Security appliance.

## User Accounts Query for Authenticating Administrative Users

To authenticate external users, AsyncOS uses a query to search for the user record in the LDAP directory and the attribute that contains the user’s full name. Depending on the server type you select, AsyncOS enters a default query and a default attribute. You can choose to have your appliance deny users with expired accounts if you have attributes defined in RFC 2307 in your LDAP user records (**shadowLastChange**, **shadowMax**, and **shadowExpire**). The base DN is required for the domain level where user records reside.

The following table shows the default query string and full user name attribute that AsyncOS uses when it searches for a user account on an Active Directory server.

*Table 77: Default Query String for Active Directory Server*

| Server Type | Active Directory                                                       |
|-------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Base DN     | [blank] (You need to use a specific base DN to find the user records.) |

| Server Type                               | Active Directory                          |
|-------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|
| Query String                              | (&(objectClass=user)(sAMAccountName={u})) |
| Attribute containing the user's full name | displayName                               |

The following table shows the default query string and full user name attribute that AsyncOS uses when it searches for a user account on an OpenLDAP server.

**Table 78: Default Query String for Open LDAP Server**

| Server Type                               | OpenLDAP                                                               |
|-------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Base DN                                   | [blank] (You need to use a specific base DN to find the user records.) |
| Query String                              | (&(objectClass=posixAccount)(uid={u}))                                 |
| Attribute containing the user's full name | gecos                                                                  |

## Group Membership Queries for Authenticating Administrative Users

You can associate LDAP groups with user roles for accessing the appliance.

AsyncOS also uses a query to determine if a user is a member of a directory group and a separate query to find all members of a group. Membership in a directory group membership determines the user's permissions within the system. When you enable external authentication on the Management Appliance > System Administration > Users page in the GUI (or `userconfig` in the CLI), you assign user roles to the groups in your LDAP directory. User roles determine the permissions that users have in the system, and for externally authenticated users, the roles are assigned to directory groups instead of individual users. For example, you can assign users in the IT directory group the Administrator role and users in the Support directory group to the Help Desk User role.

If a user belongs to multiple LDAP groups with different user roles, AsyncOS grants the user the permissions for the most restrictive role. For example, if a user belongs to a group with Operator permissions and a group with Help Desk User permissions, AsyncOS grants the user the permissions for the Help Desk User role.

When you configure the LDAP profile to query for group membership, enter the base DN for the directory level where group records can be found, the attribute that holds the group member's user name, and the attribute that contains the group name. Based on the server type that you select for your LDAP server profile, AsyncOS enters default values for the user name and group name attributes, as well default query strings.



**Note** For Active Directory servers, the default query string to determine if a user is a member of a group is (&(objectClass=group)(member={u})). However, if your LDAP schema uses distinguished names in the "memberof" list instead of user names, you can use {dn} instead of {u}.

The following table shows the default query strings and attributes that AsyncOS uses when it searches for group membership information on an Active Directory server.

Table 79: Default Query String and Attributes for Active Directory Server

| Query String                                                                 | Active Directory                                                                                                                                                          |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Base DN                                                                      | [blank] (You need to use a specific base DN to find the group records.)                                                                                                   |
| Query string to determine if a user is a member of a group                   | (&(objectClass=group)(member={u}))<br><b>Note</b> If your LDAP schema uses distinguished names in the member of list instead of user names, you can replace {u} with {dn} |
| Query string to determine all members of a group                             | (&(objectClass=group)(cn={g}))                                                                                                                                            |
| Attribute that holds each member's user name (or a DN for the user's record) | member                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Attribute that contains the group name                                       | cn                                                                                                                                                                        |

The following table shows the default query strings and attributes that AsyncOS uses when it searches for group membership information on an OpenLDAP server.


Table 80: Default Query String and Attributes for Open LDAP Server

| Query String                                                                 | OpenLDAP                                                                |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Base DN                                                                      | [blank] (You need to use a specific base DN to find the group records.) |
| Query string to determine if a user is a member of a group                   | (&(objectClass=posixGroup)(memberUid={u}))                              |
| Query string to determine all members of a group                             | (&(objectClass=posixGroup)(cn={g}))                                     |
| Attribute that holds each member's user name (or a DN for the user's record) | memberUid                                                               |
| Attribute that contains the group name                                       | cn                                                                      |

## Enabling External Authentication of Administrative Users

After you configure the LDAP server profile and queries, you can enable external authentication using LDAP:

### Procedure

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- Step 1** [New Web Interface Only] On the Security Management appliance, click  to load the legacy web interface.
  - Step 2** Choose **Management Appliance > System Administration > Users** page.
  - Step 3** Click **Enable**.
  - Step 4** Select the **Enable External Authentication** check box.

- Step 5** Select **LDAP** for the authentication type.
- Step 6** Select the LDAP external authentication query that authenticates users.
- Step 7** Enter the number of seconds that the appliance waits for a response from the server before timing out.
- Step 8** Enter the name of a group from the LDAP directory that you want the appliance to authenticate, and select the role for the users in the group.
- Step 9** Optionally, click **Add Row** to add another directory group. Repeat steps 7 and 8 for each directory group that the appliance authenticates.
- Step 10** Submit and commit your changes.
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## CHAPTER 13

# Configuring SMTP Routing

This chapter contains the following sections:

- [SMTP Routes Overview, on page 385](#)
- [Routing Email for Local Domains, on page 386](#)
- [Managing SMTP Routes , on page 387](#)

## SMTP Routes Overview

This chapter explains the features that affect routing and delivery of email traveling through the Cisco Content Security Management appliance, and use of the SMTP Routes page and `smtproutes` command.

SMTP Routes allow you to redirect all email for a particular domain to a different mail exchange (MX) host. For example, you could make a mapping from `example.com` to `groupware.example.com`. This mapping causes any email with `@example.com` in the Envelope Recipient address to go instead to `groupware.example.com`. The system performs an “MX” lookup on `groupware.example.com`, and then performs an “A” lookup on the host, just like a normal email delivery. This alternate MX host does not need to be listed in DNS MX records and it does not even need to be a member of the domain whose email is being redirected. The operating system allows up to ten thousand (10,000) SMTP Route mappings to be configured for your Cisco Content Security appliance. (See [SMTP Routes Limits, on page 387](#).)

This feature also allows host “globbing.” If you specify a partial domain, such as `example.com`, then any domain ending in `example.com` matches the entry. For instance, `fred@foo.example.com` and `wilma@bar.example.com` both match the mapping.

If a host is not found in the SMTP Routes table, an MX lookup is performed using DNS. The result is not re-checked against the SMTP Routes table. If the DNS MX entry for `foo.domain` is `bar.domain`, any email sent to `foo.domain` is delivered to the host `bar.domain`. If you create a mapping for `bar.domain` to some other host, email addressed to `foo.domain` is not affected.

In other words, recursive entries are not followed. If there is an entry for `a.domain` to redirect to `b.domain`, and a subsequent entry to redirect email for `b.domain` to `a.domain`, a mail loop will *not* be created. In this case, email addressed to `a.domain` will be delivered to the MX host specified by `b.domain`, and conversely email addressed to `b.domain` will be delivered to the MX host specified by `a.domain`.

The SMTP Routes table is read from the top down for every email delivery. The most specific entry that matches a mapping wins. For example, if there are mappings for both `host1.example.com` and `example.com` in the SMTP Routes table, the entry for `host1.example.com` will be used because it is the more specific entry — even if it appears after the less specific `example.com` entry. Otherwise, the system performs a regular MX lookup on the domain of the Envelope Recipient.

## SMTP Routes, Mail Delivery, and Message Splintering

Incoming: if one message has 10 recipients and they are all on the same Exchange server, AsyncOS will open one TCP connection and present exactly one message to the mail store, not 10 separate messages.

Outgoing: works similarly, but if one message is going to 10 recipients in 10 different domains, AsyncOS will open 10 connections to 10 MTAs and deliver them one email each.

Splintering: if one incoming message has 10 recipients and they are each in separate Incoming Policy groups (10 groups), the message will splinter even if all 10 recipients are on the same Exchange server. Thus, 10 separate emails will be delivered over a single TCP connection.

## SMTP Routes and Outbound SMTP Authentication

If an Outbound SMTP Authentication profile has been created, you can apply it to an SMTP Route. This allows authentication for outgoing mail in cases where the Cisco Content Security appliance sits behind a mail relay server that is at the edge of the network.

## Routing Email for Local Domains

The Security Management appliance routes the following mail:

- ISQ released messages which ignore SMTP routing
- Alerts
- Configuration files that can be mailed to the specified destination
- Support request message that can be sent to the defined recipient as well

The last two types of messages use SMTP routes to be delivered to the destination.

The Email Security appliance routes mail to local domains to hosts specified using the **Management Appliance > Network > SMTP Routes** page (or the `smtproutes` command). This feature is similar to the `sendmail mailertable` feature. (The SMTP Routes page and `smtproutes` command are an expansion of the AsyncOS 2.0 Domain Redirect feature.)



### Note

If you have completed the System Setup Wizard in the GUI and committed the changes, you defined the first SMTP route entries on the appliance for each RAT entry you entered at that time.

## Default SMTP Route

You can also define a default SMTP route with the special keyword `ALL`. If a domain does not match a previous mapping in the SMTP Routes list, it defaults to being redirected to the MX host specified by the `ALL` entry.

When you print the SMTP Routes entries, the default SMTP route is listed as `ALL:`. You cannot delete the default SMTP route; you may only clear any values entered for it.

Configure the default SMTP route using the **Management Appliance > Network > SMTP Routes** page or the `smtproutes` command.

# Managing SMTP Routes

- [Defining an SMTP Route, on page 387](#)
- [SMTP Routes Limits, on page 387](#)
- [Adding SMTP Routes, on page 387](#)
- [Exporting SMTP Routes, on page 388](#)
- [Importing SMTP Routes, on page 388](#)
- [SMTP Routes and DNS, on page 389](#)

## Defining an SMTP Route

The Email Security appliance routes mail to local domains to hosts specified using the **Management Appliance > Network > SMTP Routes** page (or the `smtproutes` command). This feature is similar to the sendmail mailer table feature. (The SMTP Routes page and `smtproutes` command are an expansion of the AsyncOS 2.0 Domain Redirect feature.):

Use the Management Appliance > Network > SMTP Routes page (or the `smtproutes` command) to construct routes. When you create a new route, you first specify the domain or partial domain for which you want to create a permanent route. You then specify destination hosts. Destination hosts can be entered as fully-qualified hostnames or as IP addresses. You can also specify a special destination host of `/dev/null` to drop the messages that match the entry. (So, in effect, specifying `/dev/null` for the default route is will ensure that no mail received by the appliance is ever delivered.)

Multiple destination host entries can contain both fully-qualified hostnames and IP addresses. Separate multiple entries with commas.

If one or more of the hosts are not responding, messages will be delivered to one of the reachable hosts. If all the configured hosts are not responding, mail will be queued for that host (does not fail over to using MX records).

## SMTP Routes Limits

You can define up to 10,000 routes. The final default route of ALL is counted as a route against this limit. Therefore, you can define up to 9,999 custom routes and one route that uses the special keyword ALL .

## Adding SMTP Routes

### Procedure

- Step 1** [New Web Interface Only] On the Security Management appliance, click  to load the legacy web interface.
- Step 2** Choose **Management Appliance > Network > SMTP Routes**.
- Step 3** Click **Add Route**.
- Step 4** Enter a receiving domain and destination host. You can add multiple destination hosts by clicking **Add Row** and entering the next destination host in the new row.
- Step 5** You can specify a port number by adding “:<port number> ” to the destination host: `example.com:25`

**Step 6** Submit and commit your changes.

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## Exporting SMTP Routes

Similar to the Host Access Table (HAT) and the Recipient Access Table (RAT), you can also modify SMTP routes mappings by exporting and importing a file.

### Procedure

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**Step 1** Click **Export SMTP Routes** on the SMTP Routes page.

**Step 2** Enter a name for the file and click **Submit**.

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## Importing SMTP Routes

Similar to the Host Access Table (HAT) and the Recipient Access Table (RAT), you can also modify SMTP routes mappings by exporting and importing a file.

### Procedure

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**Step 1** Click **Import SMTP Routes** on the SMTP Routes page.

**Step 2** Select the file that contains the exported SMTP Routes.

**Step 3** Click **Submit**. You are warned that importing will replace all existing SMTP Routes. All of the SMTP Routes in the text file are imported.

**Step 4** Click **Import**.

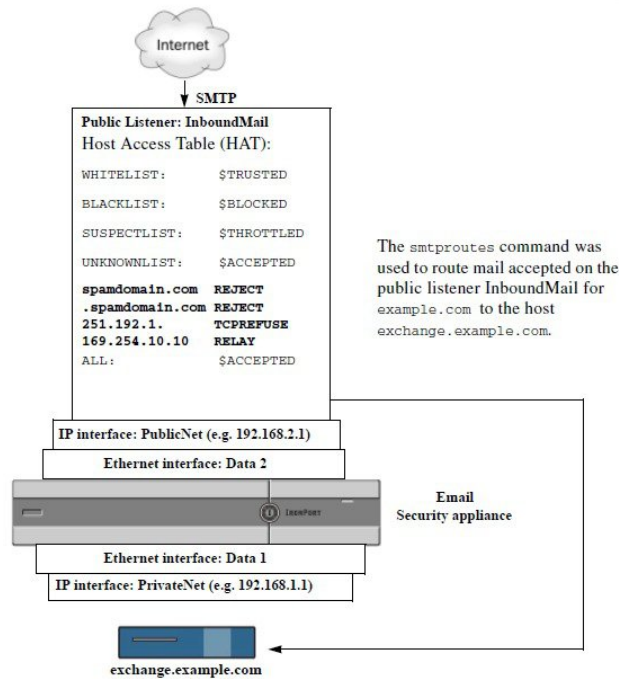
You can place “comments” in the file. Lines that begin with a ‘#’ character are considered comments and are ignored by AsyncOS. For example:

```
# this is a comment, but the next line is not
```

```
ALL:
```

At this point, our Email Gateway configuration looks like this:

Figure 10: Email Gateway Configuration



## SMTP Routes and DNS

Use the special keyword `USEDNS` to tell the appliance to do MX lookups to determine next hops for specific domains. This is useful when you need to route mail for subdomains to a specific host. For example, if mail to `example.com` is to be sent to the company's Exchange server, you might have something similar to the following SMTP route:

```
example.com exchange.example.com
```

However, for mail to various subdomains (`foo.example.com`), add an SMTP route that looks like this:

```
.example.com USEDNS
```





## CHAPTER 14

# Integrating with Cisco SecureX or Cisco Threat Response

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This chapter contains the following topic:

[Integrating Your Appliance with Cisco SecureX or Cisco Threat Response](#)

- [Integrating Your Appliance with Cisco SecureX or Cisco Threat Response](#) , on page 391

## Integrating Your Appliance with Cisco SecureX or Cisco Threat Response

Cisco SecureX is a security platform embedded with every Cisco security product. It is cloud-native with no new technology to deploy. Cisco SecureX simplifies the demands of threat protection by providing a platform that unifies visibility, enables automation, and strengthens your security across network, endpoints, cloud, and applications. By connecting technology in an integrated platform, Cisco SecureX delivers measurable insights, desirable outcomes, and unparalleled cross-team collaboration. Cisco SecureX enables you to expand your capabilities by connecting your security infrastructure.

Cisco Threat Response is a threat incident response orchestration hub that supports and automates integrations across multiple Cisco Security products. As a key pillar of the Cisco integrated security architecture, Threat Response accelerates key security operations functions: detection, investigation, and remediation.

Integrating the Appliance with Cisco SecureX or Cisco Threat Response contains the following sections:

- [How to Integrate Your Appliance with Cisco SecureX or Cisco Threat Response](#)
- [Performing Threat Analysis using Cisco SecureX Ribbon](#)

You can integrate your appliance with Cisco SecureX or Cisco Threat Response, and perform the following actions in Cisco SecureX or Cisco Threat Response:

- View and send the email data from multiple appliances in your organization.
- Identify, investigate and remediate threats observed in the email reports, sender and target relationships, search for multiple email addresses and subject lines and message tracking.
- Block compromised users or users violating outgoing email policies.

- Resolve the identified threats rapidly and provide recommended actions to take against the identified threats.
- Document the threats to save the investigation and enable collaboration of information among other devices.
- Block malicious domains, track suspicious observances, initiate an approval workflow or to create an IT ticket to update email policy.

You can access Cisco SecureX using the following URL:

<https://securex.us.security.cisco.com/login>

Cisco Security Management Appliance (SMA) centralizes management and reporting functions across multiple Cisco email security appliances. For more information on observables that can be enriched by the SMA Email module, go to <https://securex.us.security.cisco.com/settings/modules/available>, navigate to the module to integrate with Cisco SecureX, and click **Learn More**.

## How to Integrate Your Appliance with Cisco SecureX or Cisco Threat Response

*Table 81: How to Integrate Your Appliance with Cisco SecureX or Cisco Threat Response*

|        | Do This                                                                                                  | More Info                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
|--------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Step 1 | Review the prerequisites.                                                                                | <a href="#">Prerequisites</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Step 2 | On your Security Management appliance, enable the Cisco SecureX or Cisco Threat Response integration.    | <a href="#">Enable the Cisco SecureX Integration on your Security Management Appliance</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| Step 3 | On Cisco SecureX, add your appliance as a device, register it, and generate a registration token.        | For more information, go to <a href="https://securex.us.security.cisco.com/help/settings-devices">https://securex.us.security.cisco.com/help/settings-devices</a>                                                                                                                                         |
| Step 4 | On your Security Management appliance, complete the Cisco SecureX or Cisco Threat Response registration. | <a href="#">Register Cisco SecureX or Cisco Threat Response on Your Security Management Appliance</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| Step 5 | Confirm whether the registration was successful.                                                         | <a href="#">Confirm Whether the Registration was Successful</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| Step 6 | On Cisco SecureX, add SMA Email Module.                                                                  | For more information, go to <a href="https://securex.us.security.cisco.com/settings/modules/available">https://securex.us.security.cisco.com/settings/modules/available</a> , navigate to the module to integrate with Cisco SecureX, click <b>Add New Module</b> , and see the instructions on the page. |



## Prerequisites



- Note** If you already have a Cisco Threat Response user account, you do not need to create a Cisco SecureX user account. You can log in to Cisco SecureX using your Cisco Threat Response user account credentials.
- Make sure that you create a user account in Cisco SecureX with admin access rights. To create a new user account, go to **Cisco SecureX login** page using the URL <https://securex.us.security.cisco.com/login> and click **Create a SecureX Sign-on Account** in the login page. If you are unable to create a new user account, contact Cisco TAC for assistance.
  - [Only if you are not using a proxy server] Make sure that you open HTTPS (In and Out) 443 port on the firewall for the following FQDNs to register your appliance with Cisco SecureX or Cisco Threat Response:
    - api-sse.cisco.com (applicable for NAM users only)
    - api.eu.sse.itd.cisco.com (applicable for European Union (EU) users only)
    - api.apj.sse.itd.cisco.com (applicable for APJC users only)
    - est.sco.cisco.com (applicable for APJC, EU, and NAM users)

For more information, see [Firewall Information](#).

## Enable the Cisco SecureX Integration on your Security Management Appliance

### Procedure

- Step 1** Log in to your appliance.
- Step 2** Select **Networks > Cloud Service Settings**.
- Step 3** Click **Edit Settings**.
- Step 4** Check the **Enable** check box.
- Step 5** Choose the required Cisco SecureX or Cisco Threat Response server to connect your appliance to Cisco SecureX or Cisco Threat Response.
- Step 6** Submit and commit your changes.
- Step 7** Wait for few minutes, and check whether the **Register** button appears on your appliance.



- Note** In a clustered configuration, you can only register your logged-in appliance with Cisco SecureX or Cisco Threat Response in the machine mode. If you have already registered your appliance with Cisco SecureX or Cisco Threat Response in the standalone mode, make sure to deregister the appliance manually before you join it to a cluster.




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**Note** To enable this integration using the CLI, use the `threatresponseconfig` command.

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#### What to do next

Register your appliance on Cisco SecureX or Cisco Threat Response. For more information, go to <https://securex.us.security.cisco.com/settings/modules/available>, navigate to the module to integrate with Cisco SecureX, click **Add New Module**, and see the instructions on the page.

## Register Cisco SecureX or Cisco Threat Response on Your Security Management Appliance

### Procedure

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- Step 1** Go to **Networks > Cloud Service Settings**.
- Step 2** In **Cloud Services Settings**, enter the registration token, and click **Register**.
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**Note** To register Cisco SecureX or Cisco Threat Response using the CLI, use the `cloudserviceconfig` command.

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#### What to do next

[Confirm Whether the Registration was Successful](#)

## Confirm Whether the Registration was Successful

- On Security Services Exchange, confirm successful registration by reviewing the status in Security Services Exchange.
- On Cisco SecureX, navigate to the **Devices** page and view the SMA that has been registered with Security Services Exchange.




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**Note** If you want to switch to another Cisco SecureX or Cisco Threat Response server (for example, 'Europe - api.eu.sse.itd.cisco.com'), you must first deregister your appliance from Cisco SecureX or Cisco Threat Response and follow steps mentioned in [How to Integrate Your Appliance with Cisco SecureX or Cisco Threat Response](#).

After you have integrated your appliance with Cisco SecureX or Cisco Threat Response, you do not need to integrate your Email Security appliance with Cisco SecureX or Cisco Threat Response because the email and web reporting features are centralized.

After successful registration of your appliance on Security Services Exchange, add the SMA Email module on Cisco SecureX. For more information, go to <https://securex.us.security.cisco.com/settings/modules/available>, navigate to the module to integrate with Cisco SecureX, and click **Add New Module**, and see the instructions on the page.

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## Performing Threat Analysis using Cisco SecureX Ribbon



**Note** When you upgrade from Security Management Appliance 13.6.1 or earlier versions, **Casebook** will be part of the Cisco SecureX Ribbon.

Cisco SecureX supports a distributed set of capabilities that unify visibility, enable automation, accelerate incident response workflows, and improve threat hunting. These distributed capabilities are presented in the form of applications (apps) and tools in the Cisco SecureX Ribbon.

This topic contains the following sections:

- [Accessing the Cisco SecureX Ribbon](#)
- [Adding Observable to Casebook for Threat Analysis using Cisco SecureX Ribbon and Pivot Menu](#)

You will find the Cisco SecureX Ribbon at the bottom pane of the page, and it persists as you move between the dashboard and other security products in your environment. Cisco SecureX Ribbon consists of the following icons and elements:

- Expand/Collapse Ribbon
- Home
- Casebook App
- Incidents App
- Orbital App
- Enrichment Search Box
- Find Observables
- Settings

For more information on Cisco SecureX Ribbon, see <https://securex.us.security.cisco.com/help/ribbon>.


### Accessing the Cisco SecureX Ribbon

#### Before you begin

Make sure that you meet all the prerequisites that are mentioned in [Prerequisites](#).



**Note** Suppose you have already configured **Casebook** for Security Management Appliance 13.6.1 or earlier versions, you need to create a **Client ID** and **Client Secret** in Cisco SecureX API client with additional scopes, as mentioned in the following procedure.

You can drag the Cisco SecureX Ribbon, positioned at the bottom pane of the page, from right using  button.

## Procedure

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- Step 1** Log in to the new web interface of your appliance. For more information, see [Accessing the Web Interface](#).
- Step 2** Click the Cisco SecureX Ribbon.
- Step 3** Create a **Client ID** and **Client Secret** in **SecureX API Clients**. For more information to generate API Client credentials, see [Creating an API Client](#).

While creating a client ID and client password, make sure that you choose the following scopes:

- casebook
- enrich:read
- global-intel:read
- inspect:read
- integration:read
- profile
- private-intel
- response
- registry/user/ribbon
- telemetry:write
- users:read
- orbital (if you have access)

- Step 4** Enter the client ID and client password obtained in [Step 3](#) in the **Login to use SecureX Ribbon** dialog box in your appliance.
- Step 5** Select the required Cisco SecureX server in the **Login to use SecureX Ribbon** dialog box.
- Step 6** Click **Authenticate**.

**Note** If you want to edit the client ID, client password, and Cisco SecureX server, right-click on the Cisco SecureX Ribbon, and add the details.

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## What to do next

[Adding Observable to Casebook for Threat Analysis using Cisco SecureX Ribbon and Pivot Menu](#)

# Adding Observable to Casebook for Threat Analysis using Cisco SecureX Ribbon and Pivot Menu

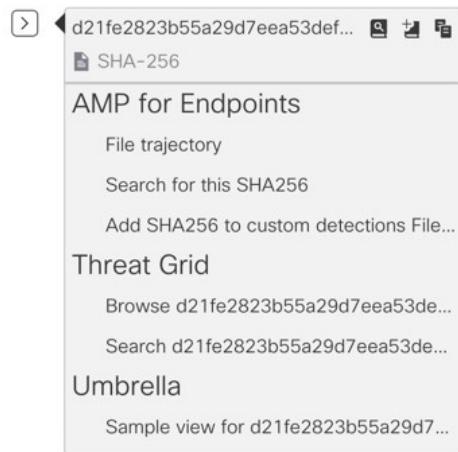
## Before you begin

Make sure that you obtain the client ID and client password to access the Cisco SecureX Ribbon and pivot menu widgets on your appliance. For more information, see [Accessing the Cisco SecureX Ribbon](#).



## Procedure

**Step 1** Log in to the new web interface of your appliance. For more information, see [Accessing the Web Interface](#).


**Step 2** Navigate to the **Email Reporting** or **Web Reporting** page, click the pivot menu  button next to the required observable (for example, bit.ly).






Perform the following:

- Click  button to add an observable to active case.
- Click  button to add the observable to new case.

### Note


Use the pivot menu  button to pivot an observable to other devices registered on the portal (for example, AMP for Endpoints) to investigate for threat analysis.

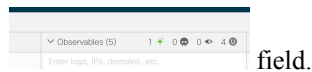
**Step 3** Hover over  icon and click  button to open the **Casebook**. Check whether the observable is added to a new or an existing case.

**Step 4** (Optional) Click  button to add a title, description, or notes to the **Casebook**.



**Note** You can search for observables for threat analysis in two different ways:

- Click the **Enrichment**  search box from the Cisco SecureX Ribbon and search for the observables.
- Click the **Casebook** icon inside the Cisco SecureX Ribbon and search for the observables in the search



field.

For more information on Cisco SecureX Ribbon, see <https://securex.us.security.cisco.com/help/ribbon>.



## CHAPTER 15

# Distributing Administrative Tasks

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## About Distributing Administrative Tasks

You can distribute administrative tasks on the Cisco Content Security Management appliance to other people based on the user roles that you assign to their user accounts.

To set up to distribute administrative tasks, you will determine whether the predefined user roles meet your needs, create any needed custom user roles, and set up the appliance to authenticate administrative users locally on the security appliance, and/or externally using your own centralized LDAP or RADIUS system.

Additionally, you can specify additional controls on access to the appliance and to certain information on the appliance.

## Assigning User Roles

- [Predefined User Roles](#) , on page 400
- [Custom User Roles](#) , on page 402

Additional configuration is required for quarantine access. See [Access to Quarantines](#) , on page 408.

## Predefined User Roles

Except as noted, you can assign each user a predefined user role with the privileges described in the following table, or a custom user role.

*Table 82: Descriptions of User Roles*

| User Role Name | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | Web Reporting/Scheduled Reports Capability                     |
|----------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|
| admin          | <p>The <b>admin</b> user is the default user account for the system and has all administrative privileges. The admin user account is listed here for convenience, but it cannot be assigned via a user role, and it cannot be edited or deleted, aside from changing the passphrase.</p> <p>Only the <b>admin</b> user can issue the <b>resetconfig</b> and <b>revert</b> commands.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                               | Yes/Yes                                                        |
| Administrator  | User accounts with the Administrator role have full access to all configuration settings of the system.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Yes/Yes                                                        |
| Operator       | <p>User accounts with the Operator role are restricted from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Creating or editing user accounts</li> <li>• Upgrading the appliance</li> <li>• Issuing the <code>resetconfig</code> command</li> <li>• Running the System Setup Wizard</li> <li>• Modifying LDAP server profile settings other than username and passphrase, if LDAP is enabled for external authentication.</li> <li>• Configuring, editing, deleting, or centralizing quarantines.</li> </ul> <p>Otherwise, they have the same privileges as the Administrator role.</p> | Yes/Yes                                                        |
| Technician     | User accounts with the Technician role can initiate system administration activities such as upgrades and reboots, save a configuration file from the appliance, manage feature keys, and so forth.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Access to System Capacity reports under the Web and Email tabs |



| User Role Name           | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | Web Reporting/Scheduled Reports Capability |
|--------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|
| Read-Only Operator       | <p>User accounts with the Read-Only Operator role have access to view configuration information. Users with the Read-Only Operator role can make and submit most changes to see how to configure a feature, but they cannot commit them or make any change that does not require a commit. Users with this role can manage messages in quarantines, if access is enabled.</p> <p>Users with this role cannot access the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• File system, FTP, or SCP.</li> <li>• Settings for creating, editing, deleting or centralizing quarantines.</li> </ul> | Yes/No                                     |
| Guest                    | <p>Users accounts with the Guest role can view status information including reports and Web Tracking, and manage messages in quarantines, if access is enabled. Users with the Guest role cannot access Message Tracking.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | Yes/No                                     |
| Web Administrator        | <p>User accounts with the Web Administrator role have access to all configuration settings under the <b>Web</b> tab.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | Yes/Yes                                    |
| Web Policy Administrator | <p>User accounts with the Web Policy Administrator role can access the Web Appliance Status page and all pages in the Configuration Master. The web policy administrator can configure identities, access policies, decryption policies, routing policies, proxy bypass, custom URL categories, and time ranges. The web policy administrator cannot publish configurations.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | No/No                                      |
| Email Administrator      | <p>User accounts with the Email Administrator role have access to all configuration settings within the Email menu only, including quarantines.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | No/No                                      |
| Help Desk User           | <p>User accounts with the Help Desk User role are restricted to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Message Tracking</li> <li>• Managing messages in quarantines</li> </ul> <p>Users with this role cannot access the rest of the system, including the CLI. After you assign a user this role, you must also configure quarantines to allow access by this user.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | No/No                                      |

| User Role Name | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Web Reporting/Scheduled Reports Capability |
|----------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|
| Custom Roles   | <p>User accounts that are assigned a custom user role can view and configure only policies, features, or specific policy or feature instances that have been specifically delegated to the role.</p> <p>You can create a new Custom Email User Role or a new Custom Web User Role from the Add Local User page. However, you must assign privileges to this Custom User Role before the role can be used. To assign privileges, go to <b>Management Appliance &gt; System Administration &gt; User Roles</b> and click the user name.</p> <p><b>Note</b> Users assigned to a Custom Email User Role cannot access the CLI.</p> <p>For more information, see <a href="#">Custom User Roles</a> , on page 402.</p> | No/No                                      |

## Custom User Roles

The Security Management appliance allows users with Administration privileges to delegate administration capabilities to custom roles. Custom roles provide more flexible control over your users' access than the predefined user roles do.

Users to whom you assign custom user roles can manage policies or access reports for a subset of appliances, features, or end users. For example, you might allow a delegated administrator for web services to manage policies for an organization's branch office in a different country, where the acceptable use policies might be different from those at the organization's headquarters. You delegate administration by creating custom user roles and assigning access permissions to those roles. You determine which policies, features, reports, custom URL categories, etc. that the delegated administrators can view and edit.

For more information, see:

- [About Custom Email User Roles](#) , on page 402
- [Deleting Custom User Roles](#) , on page 407

### About Custom Email User Roles

You can assign custom roles to allow delegated administrators to access the following on the Security Management appliance:

- All reports (optionally restricted by Reporting Group)
- Mail Policy reports (optionally restricted by Reporting Group)
- DLP reports (optionally restricted by Reporting Group)
- Message Tracking
- Quarantines

Detailed information about each of these items follows this section. In addition, all users granted any of these privileges can see the System Status, available under the Management Appliance tab > Centralized Services menu. Users assigned to custom email user roles cannot access the CLI.



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**Note** Custom user roles on the Email Security appliance offer more granular access than do user roles on the Security Management appliance. For example, you can delegate access to mail and DLP policies and content filters. For details, see the “Managing Custom User Roles for Delegated Administration” section in the “Common Administration” chapter of the documentation or online help for your Email Security appliance.

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## Access to Email Reporting

You can grant custom user roles access to Email reports as described in the following sections.

For complete information about the Email Security Monitor pages on the Security Management appliance, see the chapter on [Using Centralized Email Security Reporting, on page 49](#).

### All Reports

If you grant a custom role access to All Reports, users assigned to this role can see the following Email Security Monitor pages either for all Email Security appliances, or for the Reporting Group that you select:

- Mail Flow Summary
- Mail FLOW Details
- Outgoing Destinations
- User Mail Summary
- DLP Incidents
- Content Filters
- Virus Filtering
- TLS Encryption
- Scheduled Reports
- Archived Reports

### Mail Policy Reports

If you grant a custom role access to Mail Policy Reports, users assigned to this role can see the following Email Security Monitor pages either for all Email Security appliances, or for the Reporting Group that you select:

- Mail Flow Summary
- Mail FLOW Details
- Outgoing Destinations
- User Mail Summary
- Content Filters

- Virus Filtering
- Archived Reports

### DLP Reports

If you grant a custom role access to DLP Reports, users assigned to this role can see the following Email Security Monitor pages either for all Email Security appliances, or for the Reporting Group that you select:

- DLP Incidents
- Archived Reports

### Access to Message Tracking Data

If you grant a custom role access to Message Tracking, users to whom you assign this role can find the status of all messages tracked by the Security Management appliance.

To control access to sensitive information in messages that violate DLP policies, see [Controlling Access to Sensitive Information in Message Tracking](#), on page 426.

For more information about message tracking, including instructions for setting up your appliances to enable access to message tracking on the Security Management appliance, see [Tracking Messages](#), on page 247.

### Access to Quarantines for Custom User Role

If you grant a custom role access to quarantines, users to whom you assign this role can search for, view, release, or delete messages in all quarantines on this Security Management appliance.

Before users can access quarantines, you must enable that access. See [Access to Quarantines](#), on page 408.

### Creating Custom Email User Roles

You can create custom email user roles for access to Email Reporting, Message Tracking, and quarantines.


For descriptions of the access that each of these options permits, see [About Custom Email User Roles](#), on page 402 and its subsections.



#### Note

To grant more granular access or access to other features, reports, or policies, create custom user roles directly on each Email Security appliance.

### Procedure

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- Step 1** [New Web Interface Only] On the Security Management appliance, click  to load the legacy web interface.
- Step 2** Choose **Management Appliance > System Administration > User Roles**.
- Step 3** Click **Add Email User Role**.
- Tip** Alternatively, you can create a new role by duplicating an existing Email User Role: Click the Duplicate icon in the applicable table row, then modify the resulting copy.
- Step 4** Enter a unique name for the user role (for example, “dlp-auditor”) and a description.

- Email and Web custom user role names must not be duplicated.
- The name must contain only lowercase letters, numbers, and dashes. It cannot start with a dash or a number.
- If you grant users with this role access to centralized policy quarantines, and you also want users with this role to be able to specify those centralized quarantines in message and content filters and DLP Message Actions on an Email Security appliance, the name of the custom role must be the same on both appliances.

**Step 5** Choose the access privileges to enable for this role.

**Step 6** Click **Submit** to return to the User Roles page, which lists the new user role.

**Step 7** If you limited access by Reporting Group, click the **no groups selected** link in the Email Reporting column for the user role, then choose at least one Reporting Group.

**Step 8** Commit your changes.

**Step 9** If you granted this role access to quarantines, enable access for this role:

See:

- [Configuring Administrative User Access to the Spam Quarantine](#) , on page 272
- [Configuring Policy, Virus, and Outbreak Quarantines](#) , on page 311

## Using Custom Email User Roles

When a user who is assigned a custom email user role logs into the appliance, that user sees only the links to the security features to which that user has access. The user can return to this main page at any time by selecting Account Privileges in the Options menu. These users can also access the features to which they have access by using the menus at the top of the web page. In the following example, the user has access to all features that are available on the Security Management appliance via custom email user roles.

**Figure 11: Account Privileges Page for a Delegated Administrator assigned Custom Email User Roles**

Logged in as: **full-access** on **example.com**  
Options ▾ Help and Support ▾

### Account Privileges (full-access)

|                         |                                                                                           |
|-------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Email Reporting</b>  | Mail Policy Reports from all Email Appliances<br><i>View and analyze email traffic.</i>   |
| <b>Message Tracking</b> | Message Tracking<br><i>Track messages.</i>                                                |
| <b>Quarantines</b>      | Manage messages in the Spam Quarantine<br><i>Manage messages in assigned Quarantines.</i> |

## About Custom Web User Roles

Custom web user roles allow users to publish policies to different Web Security appliances, and gives them the permission to edit or publish the custom configuration to different appliances.

From the **Web > Configuration Master > Custom URL Categories** page on the Security Management appliance, you can view the URL categories and policies that you are allowed to administer and publish. Additionally, you can go to the **Web > Utilities > Publish Configuration Now** page and view the possible configurations.




**Note** Remember that when you create a custom role with Publish Privilege capabilities, when user logs in, they will not have any usable menus. They do not have the publish menu and they will land on a non-editable landing screen since the URL and policy tabs do not have any capabilities. In effect, you have a user that cannot publish or administer any categories or policies. The workaround to this issue is that if you want a user to be able to publish, but not to be able to manage any categories or policies, you **must** create a custom category which is not used in any policy, and give that user the ability to manage that custom category along with publishing. In this way, if they add or delete URLs from that category, it does not affect anything.

You can delegate web administration by creating and editing custom user roles.

- [Creating Custom Web User Roles, on page 406](#)
- [Editing Custom Web User Roles, on page 407](#)
- [Deleting Custom User Roles , on page 407](#)

## Creating Custom Web User Roles

### Procedure

- Step 1** [New Web Interface Only] On the Security Management appliance, click  to load the legacy web interface.
- Step 2** Choose **Management Appliance > System Administration > User Roles**.
- Step 3** Click **Add Web User Role**.
- Tip** Alternatively, you can create a new role by duplicating an existing Web User Role: Click the Duplicate icon in the applicable table row, then modify the resulting copy.
- Step 4** Enter a unique name for the user role (for example, “canadian-admins”) and a description.
- Note** The name must contain only lowercase letters, numbers, and dashes. It cannot start with a dash.
- Step 5** Choose whether you want the policies and custom URL categories to be visible or hidden by default.
- Step 6** Choose whether you want Publish privileges turned on or off.
- This privilege allows the user to publish any Configuration Master for which the user can edit Access Policies or URL Categories.
- Step 7** Choose whether to start with new (empty) settings or to copy an existing custom user role. If you choose to copy an existing user role, choose from the list the role that you want to copy.

**Step 8** Click **Submit** to return to the User Roles page, which lists the new user role.

**Note** If you have enabled the anonymized feature within web reporting, all user roles with access to web reporting will have unrecognizable user names and roles in the interactive reports page. See the [Scheduling Web Reports , on page 223](#) section in chapter [Using Centralized Web Reporting and Tracking, on page 163](#). The exception is the Administrator role, which is able to see actual user names in the scheduled reports. If the anonymize feature is enabled, scheduled reports that are generated by the Operator and Web Administrator are anonymized.

If you use the **Web > Utilities > Security > Services Display > Edit Security Services Display** page to hide one of the Configuration Masters, the User Roles page also hides the corresponding Configuration Master column; however, privilege settings for the hidden Configuration Master are retained.

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## Editing Custom Web User Roles

### Procedure

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**Step 1** On the User Roles page, click the role name to display the Edit User Role page.

**Step 2** Edit any of the settings: name, description, and visibility of policies and custom URL categories.

**Step 3** Click **Submit**.

To edit privileges for a custom user role:

Navigate to the User Roles page.

- To edit access policy privileges, click “Access policies” to display a list of access policies configured in the Configuration Master. In the Include column, select the check boxes of the policies to which you want to give the user edit access. Click **Submit** to return to the User Roles page.

-or-

- To edit custom URL category privileges, click Custom URL Categories to display a list of the custom URL categories defined on the Configuration Master. In the Include column, select the check boxes of the custom URL categories to which you want to give the user edit access. Click **Submit** to return to the User Roles page.
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## Deleting Custom User Roles

If you delete a custom user role that is assigned to one or more users, you do not receive an error.

## User Roles with Access to the CLI

Some roles can access both the GUI and the CLI: Administrator, Operator, Guest, Technician, and Read-Only Operator. Other roles can access the GUI only: Help Desk User, Email Administrator, Web Administrator, Web Policy Administrator, URL Filtering Administrator (for web security), and custom user.

## Using LDAP

If you use an LDAP directory to authenticate users, you assign directory groups to user roles instead of to individual users. When you assign a directory group to a user role, each user in that group receives the permissions defined for the user role. For more information, see [External User Authentication](#) , on page 417.

## Access to Quarantines

Before users can access quarantines, you must enable that access. See the following information:

- [Configuring Administrative User Access to the Spam Quarantine](#) , on page 272
- [About Distributing Message Processing Tasks to Other Users](#) , on page 316 (for policy quarantines), and [Configuring Policy, Virus, and Outbreak Quarantines](#) , on page 311
- [Configuring Centralized Quarantine Access for Custom User Roles](#)

## Users Page

| For Information About This Section       | See                                                                                                                                                         |
|------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Users                                    | <a href="#">About Distributing Administrative Tasks</a> , on page 399                                                                                       |
| Reset Passphrases button                 | <a href="#">Managing Locally-Defined Administrative Users</a> , on page 409<br><a href="#">Requiring Users to Change Passphrase on Demand</a> , on page 415 |
| Local User Account & Passphrase Settings | <a href="#">Setting Passphrase and Login Requirements</a> , on page 412                                                                                     |
| External Authentication                  | <a href="#">External User Authentication</a> , on page 417                                                                                                  |
| DLP Tracking Privileges                  | <a href="#">Controlling Access to Sensitive Information in Message Tracking</a> , on page 426                                                               |

## About Authenticating Administrative Users

You can control access to the appliance by defining authorized users locally on the appliance, and/or by using external authentication or two-factor authentication.

- [Changing the Admin User's Passphrase](#), on page 409
- [Changing the User's Passphrase After Expiry](#), on page 409
- [Managing Locally-Defined Administrative Users](#) , on page 409
- [External User Authentication](#) , on page 417
- [Two-Factor Authentication](#), on page 420



## Changing the Admin User's Passphrase

Any administrator-level user can change the passphrase for the “admin” user, via the GUI or the CLI.




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**Note** Cisco recommends you to change the passphrase when you log in to the appliance for the first time or if you reset the configurations to factory defaults.

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To change the passphrase via the GUI, do the following:

- [New Web Interface Only] On the Security Management appliance, click  to load the legacy web interface.
- Choose **Management Appliance > System Administration > Users** page and select the admin user.

To change the passphrase for the admin user in the CLI, use the `passphrase` command. The `passphrase` command requires you to enter the old passphrase for security.

If you forget the passphrase for the “admin” user account, contact your customer support provider to reset the passphrase.



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**Note** Changes to the passphrase take effect immediately and do not require you to commit the change.

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## Changing the User's Passphrase After Expiry

If your account has expired, you will be prompted with the following message “Your passphrase expired. Please change your passphrase by clicking here.”

Click on the link and enter the login details with your expired passphrase, to proceed to the Change Passphrase page. For more information on setting passphrases, [Setting Passphrase and Login Requirements](#), on page 412.



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**Note** Changes to the passphrase take effect immediately and do not require you to commit the change.

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## Managing Locally-Defined Administrative Users

- [Adding Locally-Defined Users](#), on page 410
- [Editing Locally-Defined Users](#), on page 410
- [Deleting Locally-Defined Users](#), on page 411
- [Viewing the List of Locally-Defined Users](#), on page 411
- [Setting and Changing Passphrases](#), on page 411
- [Setting Passphrase and Login Requirements](#), on page 412
- [Requiring Users to Change Passphrase on Demand](#), on page 415
- [Locking and Unlocking Local User Accounts](#), on page 416

## Adding Locally-Defined Users


Follow this procedure to add users directly to the Security Management appliance if you are not using external authentication. Alternatively, use the `userconfig` command in the CLI.



**Note** If external authentication is also enabled, be sure that local user names do not duplicate externally-authenticated user names.

There is no limit to the number of user accounts that you can create on the appliance.

### Procedure

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- Step 1** If you will assign custom user roles, we recommend that you define those roles first. See [Custom User Roles](#), on page 402.
  - Step 2** [New Web Interface Only] On the Security Management appliance, click  to load the legacy web interface.
  - Step 3** Choose **Management Appliance > System Administration > Users**.
  - Step 4** Click **Add User**.
  - Step 5** Enter a unique name for the user. You cannot enter words that are reserved by the system (such as “operator” and “root”).  
If you also use external authentication, user names should not duplicate externally-authenticated user names.
  - Step 6** Enter a full name for the user.
  - Step 7** Select a predefined role or a custom role. See the table *Descriptions of User Roles* in section [Predefined User Roles](#), on page 400 for more information about user roles.  
If you add a new Email role or Web role here, enter a name for the role. For naming restrictions, see [Creating Custom Email User Roles](#), on page 404 or [Creating Custom Web User Roles](#), on page 406.
  - Step 8** Confirm your current passphrase for security validation.
  - Step 9** You can generate or enter a passphrase and re-enter the passphrase to confirm the same.
  - Step 10** Submit and commit your changes.
  - Step 11** If you added a custom user role on this page, assign privileges to that role now. See [Custom User Roles](#), on page 402.
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## Editing Locally-Defined Users

Use this procedure to change a passphrase, for example.

### Procedure

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- Step 1** Click the user’s name in the Users listing.
  - Step 2** Make changes to the user.
  - Step 3** Confirm your current passphrase for security validation.

- Step 4** Submit and commit your changes.
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## Deleting Locally-Defined Users

### Procedure

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- Step 1** Click the trash can icon corresponding to the user's name in the Users listing.
- Step 2** Confirm the deletion by clicking **Delete** in the warning dialog that appears.
- Step 3** Click **Commit** to commit your changes.
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## Viewing the List of Locally-Defined Users

To view a list of locally-defined users, do the following:

- Choose **Management Appliance > System Administration > Users**.



**Note** Asterisks indicate users assigned custom user roles for delegated administration. “Unassigned” appears in red if the user's custom role has been deleted. For more information on custom user roles, see [Custom User Roles](#), on page 402.

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## Setting and Changing Passphrases

- When you add a user, you specify an initial passphrase for that user.
- To change passphrases for users configured on the system, use the Edit User page in the GUI (see [Editing Locally-Defined Users](#), on page 410 for more information).



**Note** Cisco recommends you to change the passphrase when you log in to the appliance for the first time or after you complete the System Setup Wizard.

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- To change the passphrase for the default admin user account for the system, see [Changing the Admin User's Passphrase](#), on page 409.
- To force users to change their passphrases, see [Requiring Users to Change Passphrase on Demand](#), on page 415.
- Users can change their own passphrases by clicking the Options menu at the top right side of the GUI and selecting the Change Passphrase option.

## Setting Passphrase and Login Requirements

You can define user account and passphrase restrictions to enforce organizational passphrase policies. The user account and passphrase restrictions apply to local users defined on the Security Management appliance. You can configure the following settings:

- **User account locking.** You can define how many failed login attempts cause the user to be locked out of the account.
- **Passphrase lifetime rules.** You can define how long a passphrase can exist before the user is required to change the passphrase after logging in.
- **Passphrase rules.** You can define what kinds of passphrases users can choose, such as which characters are optional or mandatory.

### Procedure

- Step 1** [New Web Interface Only] On the Security Management appliance, click  to load the legacy web interface.
- Step 2** Choose **Management Appliance > System Administration > Users**.
- Step 3** Scroll down to the **Local User Account and Passphrase Settings** section.
- Step 4** Click **Edit Settings**.
- Step 5** Configure settings:

| Setting           | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
|-------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| User Account Lock | <p>Choose whether or not to lock the user account after the user fails to login successfully. Specify the number of failed login attempts that cause the account locking. You can enter any number from one (1) to 60. Default is five (5).</p> <p>When you configure account locking, enter the message to be displayed to the user attempting to login. Enter text using 7-bit ASCII characters. This message is only displayed when users enter the correct passphrase to a locked account.</p> <p>When a user account gets locked, an administrator can unlock it on the Edit User page in the GUI or using the <code>userconfig</code> CLI command.</p> <p>Failed login attempts are tracked by user, regardless of the machine the user connects from or the type of connection, such as SSH or HTTP. Once the user successfully logs in, the number of failed login attempts is reset to zero (0).</p> <p>When a user account is locked out due to reaching the maximum number of failed login attempts, an alert is sent to the administrator. The alert is set at the “Info” severity level.</p> <p><b>Note</b> You can also manually lock individual user accounts. See <a href="#">Locking User Accounts Manually, on page 416</a>.</p> |

| Setting                                                      | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Passphrase Reset                                             | <p>Choose whether or not users should be forced to change their passphrases after an administrator changes their passphrases.</p> <p>You can also choose whether or not users should be forced to change their passphrases after they expire. Enter the number of days a passphrase can last before users must change it. You can enter any number from one (1) to 366. Default is 90. To force users to change their passphrases at non-scheduled times, see <a href="#">Requiring Users to Change Passphrase on Demand</a>, on page 415.</p> <p>When you force users to change their passphrases after they expire, you can display a notification about the upcoming passphrase expiration. Choose the number of days before expiration to notify users.</p> <p><b>Note</b> When a user account uses SSH keys instead of a passphrase challenge, the Passphrase Reset rules still apply. When a user account with SSH keys expires, the user must enter their old passphrase or ask an administrator to manually change the passphrase to change the keys associated with the account.</p> |
| Passphrase Rules:<br>Require at least <number> characters.   | <p>Enter the minimum number of characters that passphrases may contain.</p> <p>Enter any number between one (1) and 128.</p> <p>The default is 8.</p> <p>Passphrases can have more characters than the number you specify here.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| Passphrase Rules:<br>Require at least one number (0-9).      | <p>Choose whether or not the passphrases must contain at least one number.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| Passphrase Rules:<br>Require at least one special character. | <p>Choose whether or not the passphrases must contain at least one special character. Passphrases may contain the following special characters:</p> <p>~?!@#\$%^&amp;*-_+=</p> <p>\ /[]()&lt;&gt;{}`'"';:,. .</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |

| Setting                                                                 | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Passphrase Rules:<br>Ban usernames and their variations as passphrases. | Choose whether or not the passphrase are allowed to be the same as the associated user name or variations on the user name. When user name variations are banned, the following rules apply to passphrases: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The passphrase may not be the same as the user name, regardless of case.</li> <li>• The passphrase may not be the same as the user name in reverse, regardless of case.</li> <li>• The passphrase may not be the same as the user name or reversed user name with the following character substitutions:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• "@" or "4" for "a"</li> <li>• "3" for "e"</li> <li>• " ", "!", or "1" for "i"</li> <li>• "0" for "o"</li> <li>• "\$" or "5" for "s"</li> <li>• "+" or "7" for "t"</li> </ul> </li> </ul> |
| Passphrase Rules:<br>Ban reuse of the last <number> passphrases.        | Choose whether or not users are allowed to choose a recently used passphrase when they are forced to change the passphrase. If they are not allowed to reuse recent passphrases, enter the number of recent passphrase that are banned from reuse.<br><br>You can enter any number from one (1) to 15. Default is three (3).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| Passphrases Rules:<br>List of words to disallow in passphrases          | You can create a list of words to disallow in passphrases.<br><br>Make this file a text file with each forbidden word on a separate line. Save the file with the name <code>forbidden_passphrase_words.txt</code> and use SCP or FTP to upload the file to the appliance.<br><br>If this restriction is selected but no word list is uploaded, this restriction is ignored.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |

| Setting             | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
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| Passphrase Strength | <p>You can display a passphrase-strength indicator when an admin or user enters a new passphrase.</p> <p>This setting does not enforce creation of strong passphrases, it merely shows how easy it is to guess the entered passphrase.</p> <p>Select the roles for which you wish to display the indicator. Then, for each selected role, enter a number greater than zero. A larger number means that a passphrase that registers as strong is more difficult to achieve. This setting has no maximum value.</p> <p>Examples:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If you enter 30 , then an 8 character passphrase with at least one upper- and lower-case letter, number, and special character will register as a strong passphrase.</li> <li>• If you enter 18 , then an 8 character passphrase with all lower case letters and no numbers or special characters will register as strong.</li> </ul> <p>Passphrase strength is measured on a logarithmic scale. Evaluation is based on the U.S. National Institute of Standards and Technology rules of entropy as defined in NIST SP 800-63, Appendix A.</p> <p>Generally, stronger passphrases:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Are longer</li> <li>• Include upper case, lower case, numeric, and special characters</li> <li>• Do not include words in any dictionary in any language.</li> </ul> <p>To enforce passphrases with these characteristics, use the other settings on this page.</p> |

**Step 6** Submit and commit your changes.

### What to do next

Require users to change their passphrases to new passphrases that meet the new requirements. See [Requiring Users to Change Passphrase on Demand](#) , on page 415


## Requiring Users to Change Passphrase on Demand

To require all or selected users to change their passphrases at any time on an ad-hoc basis, perform the steps in this procedure. This is a one-time action.

To automate a periodic requirement for changing passphrases, use the Passphrase Reset option described in [Setting Passphrase and Login Requirements](#) , on page 412.

### Procedure

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- Step 1** [New Web Interface Only] On the Security Management appliance, click  to load the legacy web interface.
- Step 2** Choose **Management Appliance > System Administration > Users**.
- Step 3** In the Users section, select the check boxes beside the users who will be required to change passphrases .
- Step 4** Select **Enforce Passphrase Changes**.
- Step 5** Select options.  
The global setting for the grace period is configured in Local User Account & Passphrase Settings.
- Step 6** Click **OK**.
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## Locking and Unlocking Local User Accounts

Locking a user account prevents a local user from logging into the appliance. A user account can be locked in one of the following ways:


- You can configure all local user accounts to lock after users fail to log in successfully after a configured number of attempts. See [Setting Passphrase and Login Requirements , on page 412](#).
- Administrators can manually lock user accounts. See [Locking User Accounts Manually, on page 416](#).

AsyncOS displays the reason why the user account was locked when you view the user account on the Edit User page.

### Locking User Accounts Manually

#### Procedure

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- Step 1** First time only: Set up the appliance to enable user account locking:
- Step 2** Perform the following:
- a) [New Web Interface Only] On the Security Management appliance, click  to load the legacy web interface.
  - b) Go to **Management Appliance > System Administration > Users**.
  - c) In the **Local User Account & Passphrase Settings** section, click **Edit Settings**.
  - d) Select the checkbox to **Display Locked Account Message if Administrator has manually locked a user account** and enter your message.
  - e) Submit the change.
- Step 3** Go to **Management Appliance > System Administration > Users** and click the user name.
- Note** Before you lock the Admin account, be sure that you can unlock it. See the Note in [Unlocking User Accounts , on page 417](#).
- Step 4** Click **Lock Account**.



AsyncOS displays a message saying that the user will be unable to log into the appliance and asks if you want to continue.

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## Unlocking User Accounts

To unlock a user account, open the user account by clicking on the user name in the Users listing and click Unlock Account.



**Note** If you lock the admin account, you can only unlock it by logging in as the admin through a serial communications connection to the serial console port. The admin user can always access the appliance using the serial console port, even when the admin account is locked. See the “Setup and Installation” chapter in the documentation or online help for your Email Security appliance for more information on accessing the appliance using the serial console port.

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## External User Authentication

If you store user information in an LDAP or RADIUS directory on your network, you can configure your Security Management appliance to use the external directory to authenticate users who log in to the appliance.



**Note** Some features described in [Customizing Your View](#) , on page 512 are not available to externally-authenticated users.

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- If your deployment uses both local and external authentication, local user names must not duplicate externally-authenticated user names.
- If the appliance cannot communicate with the external directory, a user who has both an external and a local account can log in with a local user account on the appliance.

See:

- [Configuring External Authentication of Administrative Users Using LDAP](#) , on page 380
- [Enabling RADIUS Authentication](#), on page 417

## Configuring LDAP Authentication

To configure LDAP authentication, see [Configuring External Authentication of Administrative Users Using LDAP](#) , on page 380.

## Enabling RADIUS Authentication

You can use a RADIUS directory to authenticate users and assign groups of users to user roles for administering your appliance. The RADIUS server should support the CLASS attribute, which AsyncOS uses to assign users in the RADIUS directory to user roles.



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**Note** If an external user changes the user role for their RADIUS group, the user should log out of the appliance and then log back in. The user will have the permissions of their new role.


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### Before you begin

The Shared Secret key for access to the RADIUS server must be no more than 48 characters long.

### Procedure

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- Step 1** [New Web Interface Only] On the Security Management appliance, click  to load the legacy web interface.
- Step 2** Choose **Management Appliance > System Administration > Users** page and click **Enable**.
- Step 3** Select the **Enable External Authentication** check box.
- Step 4** Select RADIUS for the authentication type.
- Step 5** Enter the host name for the RADIUS server.
- Step 6** Enter the port number for the RADIUS server. The default port number is 1812.
- Step 7** Enter the Shared Secret key for the RADIUS server.
- Note** When enabling external authentication for a cluster of Email Security appliances, enter the same Shared Secret key on all appliances in the cluster.
- Step 8** Enter the number of seconds that the appliance waits for a response from the server before timing out.
- Step 9** Select whether to use Passphrase Authentication Protocol (PAP) or Challenge Handshake Authentication Protocol (CHAP) for the authentication protocol.
- Step 10** (Optional) Click **Add Row** to add another RADIUS server. Repeat Steps 6 and 7 for each RADIUS server that your appliance uses for authentication.
- When you define multiple external servers, the appliance connects to the servers in the order defined on the appliance. You might want to define multiple external servers to allow for failover in case one server is temporarily unavailable.
- Step 11** Enter the amount of time to store external authentication credentials in the web user interface.
- Note** If the RADIUS server uses one-time passphrases, for example passphrases created from a token, enter zero (0). When the value is set to zero, AsyncOS does not contact the RADIUS server again to authenticate during the current session.
- Step 12** Configure Group Mapping:

| Setting                                                                  | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
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| Map externally authenticated users to multiple local roles (Recommended) | <p>AsyncOS assigns RADIUS users to appliance roles based on the RADIUS CLASS attribute. CLASS attribute requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 3 character minimum</li> <li>• 253 character maximum</li> <li>• no colons, commas, or newline characters</li> <li>• one or more mapped CLASS attributes for each RADIUS user (With this setting, AsyncOS denies access to RADIUS users without a mapped CLASS attribute.)</li> </ul> <p>For RADIUS users with multiple CLASS attributes, AsyncOS assigns the most restrictive role. For example, if a RADIUS user has two CLASS attributes, which are mapped to the Operator and Read-Only Operator roles, AsyncOS assigns the RADIUS user to the Read-Only Operator role, which is more restrictive than the Operator role.</p> <p>These are the appliance roles ordered from least restrictive to most restrictive:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Administrator</li> <li>• Email Administrator</li> <li>• Web Administrator</li> <li>• Web Policy Administrator</li> <li>• URL Filtering Administrator (for web security)</li> <li>• Custom user role (email or web)</li> </ul> <p>If a user is assigned multiple Class attributes that are mapped to custom user roles, the last class attribute on the list on the RADIUS server will be used.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Technician</li> <li>• Operator</li> <li>• Read-Only Operator</li> <li>• Help Desk User</li> <li>• Guest</li> </ul> |
| Map all externally authenticated users to the Administrator role         | AsyncOS assigns RADIUS users to the Administrator role.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |

**Step 13**

(Optional) Click **Add Row** to add another group. Repeat step 11 for each group of users that the appliance authenticates.

**Step 14** Submit and commit your changes.

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## Two-Factor Authentication

You can use a RADIUS directory to configure two-factor authentication for specific user roles. The appliance supports the following authentication protocols for communicating with the RADIUS server:

- Passphrase Authentication Protocol (PAP)
- Challenge Handshake Authentication Protocol (CHAP)

You can enable two-factor authentication for the following user roles:

- predefined
- custom

The feature has been tested with:

- RSA Authentication Manager v8.2
- FreeRADIUS v1.1.7 and above
- ISE v1.4 and above

### Related Topics:


- [Enabling Two-Factor Authentication, on page 420](#)
- [Disabling Two-Factor Authentication, on page 421](#)
- [Adding an Email or Web Security appliance over SSH with Pre-Shared Keys, on page 421](#)

## Enabling Two-Factor Authentication

Make sure that you get the required RADIUS server details for two-factor authentication from your IT administrator.

### Procedure

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- Step 1** [New Web Interface Only] On the Security Management appliance, click  to load the legacy web interface.
- Step 2** Choose **System Administration** > **Users** page and click **Enable** under Two-Factor Authentication.
- Step 3** Enter the hostname or IP address of the RADIUS server.
- Step 4** Enter the port number of the RADIUS server.
- Step 5** Enter the Shared Secret passphrase of the RADIUS server.
- Step 6** Enter the number of seconds to wait for a response from the server before timing out.
- Step 7** Select the appropriate authentication protocol.
- Step 8** (Optional) Click **Add Row** to add another RADIUS server. Repeat steps 2 to 6 for each RADIUS server.

**Note** You can add up to ten RADIUS servers.


- Step 9** Select the required user roles for which you want to enable two-factor authentication.
- Step 10** Submit and commit your changes.
- When two-factor authentication is enabled, the user is prompted to enter a passcode after entering the username and passphrase, to login to the appliance.

## Disabling Two-Factor Authentication

### Before you begin

Make sure you have enabled two-factor authentication on your appliance.

### Procedure

- Step 1** [New Web Interface Only] On the Security Management appliance, click  to load the legacy web interface.
- Step 2** Choose **System Administration > Users** page and click **Edit Global Settings** under Two-Factor Authentication
- Step 3** Deselect **Enable Two-Factor Authentication**.
- Step 4** Submit and commit your changes.

## Adding an Email or Web Security appliance over SSH with Pre-Shared Keys

The following example demonstrates how to add an Email Security appliance (testesa.example.com) to the Security Management appliance (testesma.example.com) over SSH using pre-shared keys.

To add a Web Security appliance, choose **WSA** when prompted to enter the type of Cisco appliance.

```
testesma.example.com> applianceconfig
```

Choose the operation you want to perform.

```
ADD - Add SMA Connection Parameters and Keys.
EDIT - Edit an appliance.
DELETE - Remove an appliance.
TEST - Test that an appliance is properly configured.
SERVICES - Configure the centralized services for an appliance.
STATUS - Display the status of centralized services.
PORT - Configure which port is used to communicate with remote appliances.
```

```
[ ]> add
```

Please enter the type of Cisco appliance that this device is

1. ESA
2. WSA

```
[1]> 1
```

Enter the IP address or hostname of an appliance to transfer data with.  
(A hostname may be entered in this field, however it will be immediately resolved to an IP address when the form is submitted.)

```
[ ]> IP address entered
```

Enter a name to identify this appliance

```
[ ]> name of appliance
```

File transfer access via SSH is required to transfer reporting data, message logs, and quarantine safelist/blocklist data from appliances

```
Would you like to configure file transfer access for this appliance? [Y]>
```

```
Would you like to use a custom ssh port to connect to this appliance? [N]>
```

```
Would you like to connect an Email Security appliance using pre-shared keys?
Use this option if you have enabled two-factor authentication on the Email
Security appliance. [N]> yes
```

To add an Email Security appliance to the Content Security Management appliance using pre-shared keys, log in to the Email Security appliance, run the `smaconfig > add` command, enter the following details.

```
Host: vm10sma0006.qa
```

```
User Key:
```

```
AAAAB3NzaC1yc2EAAAADAQABAAQDgM3kG9RHc4gVZxRe0orh5DW5Yje5UB9BpJqcTRQJoxUIAv2Xig
8q5geyaWHZcFoUxH61YQbPX3R8CVMYgJ8/QB/iunjkr3jowV/SCuBBikEFgj1zuxlsFhL0L487epEgbylgH0rfJ
gwSa2/6dhfyUayst6pT87CZGOQltgx7s51wc+ve770X3SglQD5bdYC4x9+gCX0wdwfhTH1+4/82jwYjK1lAEXc
O4k4TuZJEJnyBQ3YyCyVwXuDkXpI6xJDemxcc36e7Wwtpn3mn2VLaTG2/I38XwSv1YB6TcqmWnO10gL+aD
wkKAKcuhYpz4NFr9myej1mhMk7ZAFxmRNxvT
```


**Note**

Before you proceed to the next step, ensure that you have added the **Host** and **User Key** details to the Email or Web Security appliance. Commit the changes in your Email or Web Security appliance before continuing the process of adding connection parameters in the Security Management appliance.

```
Do you want to continue connecting using pre-shared keys? [Y]> yes
```

## Additional Controls on Access to the Security Management Appliance

- [Configuring IP-Based Network Access, on page 422](#)
- [Configuring the Web UI Session Timeout, on page 425](#)

### Configuring IP-Based Network Access

You can control from which IP addresses users access the Security Management appliance by creating access lists for users who connect directly to the appliance and users who connect through a reverse proxy, if your organization uses reverse proxies for remote users.

- [Direct Connections, on page 423](#)
- [Connecting Through a Proxy, on page 423](#)
- [Creating the Access List, on page 423](#)

## Direct Connections

You can specify the IP addresses, subnets, or CIDR addresses for machines that can connect to the Security Management appliance. Users can access the appliance from any machine with IP address from the access list. Users attempting to connect to the appliance from an address not included in the list are denied access.

## Connecting Through a Proxy

If your organization's network uses reverse proxy servers between remote users' machines and the Security Management appliance, AsyncOS allows you create an access list with the IP addresses of the proxies that can connect to the appliance.

Even when using a reverse proxy, AsyncOS still validates the IP address of the remote user's machine against a list of IP addresses allowed for user connections. To send the remote user's IP address to the Email Security appliance, the proxy needs to include the x-forwarded-for HTTP header in its connection request to the appliance.

The x-forwarded-for header is a non-RFC standard HTTP header with the following format:

```
x-forwarded-for: client-ip, proxy1, proxy2,... CRLF .
```

The value for this header is a comma-separated list of IP addresses with the left-most address being the address of the remote user's machine, followed by the addresses of each successive proxy that forwarded the connection request. (The header name is configurable.) The Security Management appliance matches the remote user's IP address from the header and the connecting proxy's IP address against the allowed user and proxy IP addresses in the access list.



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**Note** AsyncOS supports only IPv4 addresses in the x-forwarded-for header.

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## Creating the Access List

You can create the network access list either via the Network Access page in the GUI or the `adminaccessconfig > ipaccess` CLI command. The following figure shows the Network Access page with a list of user IP addresses that are allowed to connect directly to the Security Management appliance.

The following settings are applicable for the legacy web interface and the new web interface of the appliance.

Figure 12: Example Network Access Settings

**Network Access**

Web UI Inactivity Timeout: 30 Minutes  
Enter a value between 5 - 1440 Minutes (24 hours).

User Access: Control system access by IP Address, IP Range or CIDR.  
Only Allow Specific Connections

10.0.0.33/32, 10.0.0.52/32, 10.0.0.130/32, 10.0.0.105/32, 10.0.0.155/32,  
10.0.0.23/32, 10.0.0.28/32, 10.0.0.209/32, 10.0.0.31/32, 10.0.0.60/32,  
10.0.0.51/32

(Valid entries are an IP address, IP range or CIDR range. Separate multiple entries with commas.  
Examples: 10.0.0.1, 10.0.0.1-24, 10.0.0.0/8)

IP Address of Proxy Server:  
(Separate multiple entries with commas.)

Origin IP Header:  
x-forwarded-for

Cancel Submit

AsyncOS offers four different modes of control for the access list:

- **Allow All.** This mode allows all connections to the appliance. This is the default mode of operation.
- **Only Allow Specific Connections.** This mode allows a user to connection to the appliance if the user's IP address matches the IP addresses, IP ranges, or CIDR ranges included in the access list.
- **Only Allow Specific Connections Through Proxy.** This mode allows a user to connect to the appliance through a reverse proxy if the following conditions are met:
  - The connecting proxy's IP address is included in the access list's IP Address of Proxy Server field.
  - The proxy includes the x-forwarded-header HTTP header in its connection request.
  - The value of x-forwarded-header is not empty.
  - The remote user's IP address is included in x-forwarded-header and it matches the IP addresses, IP ranges, or CIDR ranges defined for users in the access list.
- **Only Allow Specific Connections Directly or Through Proxy.** This mode allows users to connect through a reverse proxy or directly to the appliance if their IP address matches the IP addresses, IP ranges, or CIDR ranges included in the access list. The conditions for connecting through a proxy are the same as in the Only Allow Specific Connections Through Proxy mode.

Please be aware that you may lose access to the appliance after submitting and committing your changes if one of the following conditions is true:

- If you select **Only Allow Specific Connections** and do not include the IP address of your current machine in the list.
- If you select **Only Allow Specific Connections Through Proxy** and the IP address of the proxy currently connected to the appliance is not in the proxy list and the value of the Origin IP header is not in the list of allowed IP addresses.
- If you select **Only Allow Specific Connections Directly or Through Proxy** and




- the value of the Origin IP header is not in the list of allowed IP addresses
- OR
- the value of the Origin IP header is not in the list of allowed IP Addresses and the IP address of the proxy connected to the appliance is not in the list of allowed proxies.

If you choose to continue without correcting the access list, AsyncOS will disconnect your machine or proxy from the appliance when you commit your changes.

### Procedure

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- Step 1** [New Web Interface Only] On the Security Management appliance, click  to load the legacy web interface.
- Step 2** Choose **System Administration > Network Access**.
- Step 3** Click **Edit Settings**.
- Step 4** Select the mode of control for the access list.
- Step 5** Enter the IP addresses from which users will be allowed to connect to the appliance.  
You can enter an IP address, IP address range or CIDR range. Use commas to separate multiple entries.
- Step 6** If connecting through a proxy is allowed, enter the following information:
- The IP addresses of the proxies allowed to connect to the appliance. Use commas to separate multiple entries.
  - The name of the origin IP header that the proxy sends to the appliance, which contains the IP addresses of the remote user's machine and the proxy servers that forwarded the request. By default, the name of the header is x-forwarded-for .
- Step 7** Submit and commit your changes.
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## Configuring the Web UI Session Timeout

You can specify how long a user can be logged into the Security Management appliance's Web UI before AsyncOS logs the user out due to inactivity. This Web UI session timeout applies to all users, including admin, and it is used for both HTTP and HTTPS sessions.


Once AsyncOS logs a user out, the appliance redirects the user's web browser to login page.



- Note** The Web UI Session Timeout does not apply to spam quarantine sessions, which have a 30 minute timeout that cannot be configured.
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### Procedure

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- Step 1** [New Web Interface Only] On the Security Management appliance, click  to load the legacy web interface.

- Step 2** Use the **System Administration > Network Access** page.
  - Step 3** Click **Edit Settings**.
  - Step 4** In the **Web UI Inactivity Timeout** field, enter the number of minutes users can be inactive before being logged out. You can define a timeout period between 5 and 1440 minutes.
  - Step 5** Submit and commit your changes.
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## Configuring the CLI Session Timeout

You can specify how long a user can be logged into the Security Management appliance's CLI before AsyncOS logs the user out due to inactivity. The CLI session timeout applies:

- To all users, including administrator
- Only to the connections using Secure Shell (SSH), SCP, and direct serial connection




**Note** Any uncommitted configuration changes at the time of CLI session timeout will be lost. Make sure that you commit the configuration changes as soon as they are made.

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### Procedure

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- Step 1** [New Web Interface Only] On the Security Management appliance, click  to load the legacy web interface.
  - Step 2** Use the **System Administration > Network Access** page.
  - Step 3** Click **Edit Settings**.
  - Step 4** In the **CLI Inactivity Timeout** field, enter the number of minutes users can be inactive before being logged out. You can define a timeout period between 5 and 1440 minutes.
  - Step 5** Submit and commit your changes.
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### What to do next

You can also use the `adminaccessconfig` command in CLI to configure CLI session timeout. See *CLI Reference Guide for AsyncOS for Cisco Email Security Appliances*.

## Controlling Access to Sensitive Information in Message Tracking

### Procedure

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- Step 1** [New Web Interface Only] On the Security Management appliance, click  to load the legacy web interface.

- Step 2** Go to the **Management Appliance > System Administration > Users** page.
- Step 3** In the **Tracking Privileges** section, click **Edit Settings**.
- Step 4** Select the roles for which you want to grant access to sensitive information in Message Tracking.  
Only custom roles with access to Message Tracking are listed.
- Step 5** Submit and commit your changes.  
The Centralized Email Message Tracking feature must be enabled under Management Appliance > Centralized Services for this setting to take effect.
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## Displaying a Message for Administrative Users

You can display a message that administrative users will see when they sign in to the appliance.

To set or clear a message:

### Procedure

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- Step 1** If you are planning to use a text file, upload it to the `/data/pub/configuration` directory on the appliance.
- Step 2** Access the command-line interface (CLI).
- Step 3** Run the `adminaccessconfig > BANNER` command.
- Step 4** Load the banner message.
- Step 5** Commit the change.
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## Enabling and Disabling Message Banners for Administrative Users

You can enable and disable a banner with a link to navigate to the new web interface of the appliance from the legacy web interface of the appliance.

### Procedure

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- Step 1** Access the command-line interface (CLI).
- Step 2** Run the `adminaccessconfig > NGUIBANNER` command.
- Step 3** Enable or disable the banner message.
- Step 4** Commit the change.
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## Viewing Administrative User Activity

- [Viewing Active Sessions Using the Web](#) , on page 428
- [Viewing Your Recent Login Attempts](#) , on page 428
- [Viewing Administrative User Activity via the Command Line Interface](#) , on page 428

### Viewing Active Sessions Using the Web

From the Security Management appliance, you can view all active sessions and users logged in to the appliance.

#### Procedure

From the upper right corner of the window, choose **Options** > **Active Sessions**.

**Figure 13: Active Sessions Menu**

Logged in as: **admin** on **m1**  
Options ▾ Help a

Active Sessions

Account  
Change Password  
Log Out

Active Sessions for m1060s02.sma

| Username | Role          | Login Time ▾                   | Idle Time | Remote Host  | Interface |
|----------|---------------|--------------------------------|-----------|--------------|-----------|
| admin    | Administrator | 06 Aug 2010 21:10 (GMT +03:00) | 25 secs   | 173.37.7.243 | GUI       |

« Return to previous page

From the Active Sessions page you can view the User name, what role the user has, the time the user logged in, idle time, and whether the user is logging in from the command line or the GUI.

### Viewing Your Recent Login Attempts

To view your last few recent login attempts (failed or successful) via the web interface, SSH, and/or FTP:

#### Procedure

- Step 1** Log in.
- Step 2** Click the Figure-icon icon beside "Logged in as" near the top right side of the screen.

### Viewing Administrative User Activity via the Command Line Interface

The following commands support multiuser access to the appliance.

- The **who** command lists all users who are logged in to the system via the CLI or the web user interface, the role of the user, the time of login, the idle time, and the remote host from which the user is logged in.
- The **whoami** command displays the user name and full name of the user currently logged in, and which groups the user belongs to:

```
mail3.example.com>
whoami
Username: admin
Full Name: Administrator
Groups: admin, operators, config, log, guest
```

- The **last** command displays which users have recently logged into the appliance. The IP address of the remote host, and the login, logout, and total time also appear.

```
mail3.example.com> last
Username Remote Host Login Time Logout Time Total Time
=====
admin 10.1.3.67 Sat May 15 23:42 still logged in 15m
admin 10.1.3.67 Sat May 15 22:52 Sat May 15 23:42 50m
admin 10.1.3.67 Sat May 15 11:02 Sat May 15 14:14 3h 12m
admin 10.1.3.67 Fri May 14 16:29 Fri May 14 17:43 1h 13m
shutdown shutdown Fri May 14 16:22 Fri May 14 16:15
shutdown shutdown Fri May 14 16:15 Fri May 14 16:15 9m
admin 10.1.3.67 Fri May 14 16:05 Fri May 14 16:15 2m
admin 10.1.3.103 Fri May 14 16:12 Fri May 14 16:15 2m
admin 10.1.3.103 Thu May 13 09:31 Fri May 14 14:11 1d 4h 39m
admin 10.1.3.135 Fri May 14 10:57 Fri May 14 10:58 0m
admin 10.1.3.67 Thu May 13 17:00 Thu May 13 19:24 2h 24m
```

## Troubleshooting Administrative User Access

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### Error: User Has No Access Privileges Assigned

#### Problem

A user to whom you have delegated administration can log in to the Security Management appliance but sees a message that no access privileges are assigned.

#### Solution

Make sure that you have assigned privileges to the custom user role to which this user is assigned. Look at Management Appliance > System Administration > Users to determine the User Role assigned, then go to Management Appliance > System Administration > User Roles, click the name of the User Role, and assign privileges to the role.

If you have assigned access based on Reporting Group, make sure you have selected a Reporting Group for that user on the Management Appliance > System Administration > User Roles page. To assign a group, click the **No groups selected** link in the Email Reporting column of the User Roles for Delegated Administration table.

## User Has No Active Menus

### Problem

A user to whom you have granted Publish privileges has no active menus upon login.

### Solution

Make sure you have granted access to at least one Access Policy or Custom URL Category. If you do not want to grant this user privileges to edit either of these, create a custom URL category which is not used in any policy and grant this user role privileges to this category on the Custom User Role page.

## Externally-Authenticated Users See Preferences Option

### Problem

Externally-authenticated users see the Preferences option.

### Solution

Ensure that users that you add directly in the Security Management appliance have unique usernames that are not also used in your external authentication database.



## CHAPTER 16

# Common Administrative Tasks

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## Performing Administrative Tasks

You can perform most system administration tasks by using the System Administration menu in the graphical user interface (GUI). Some system administration features, however, are available only in the command-line interface (CLI).

In addition, you access the status-monitoring features of the appliance on the Monitor menu, which is described in chapter [Monitoring System Status](#), on page 359



**Note** Several of the features or commands described in this chapter can affect routing precedence. For more information, see [IP Addresses, Interfaces, and Routing](#), on page 566.

## Cisco Content Security Management Appliances Licensing

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### Working with Feature Keys

Keys are specific to the serial number of your appliance and specific to the feature that you enable. You cannot reuse a key from one system on another system.

To perform the tasks described in this section from the command-line prompt, use the `featurekey` command.

| To                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | Do This                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• View all active feature keys for the appliance</li> <li>• View any feature keys that are pending activation</li> <li>• Search for new keys that have been issued</li> <li>• Install feature keys manually</li> <li>• Activate feature keys</li> </ul> | <p>Select <b>Management Appliance &gt; System Administration &gt; Feature Keys</b>.</p> <p>To add a new feature key manually, paste or enter the key into the Feature Key field and click <b>Submit Key</b>. An error message appears if the feature is not added (for example, if the key is incorrect); otherwise, the feature key is added to the list.</p> <p>If the appliance is configured to automatically download and install new keys as they are issued, the Pending Activation list is always empty.</p> |
| Enable or disable automatic download and activation of feature keys                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | <p>Select <b>Management Appliance &gt; System Administration &gt; Feature Keys Settings</b></p> <p>By default, the appliance periodically checks for new keys.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| Renew expired feature keys                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Contact your Cisco representative                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |

### Virtual Appliance Licensing and Feature Keys

For information about appliance behavior upon license and feature key expiration, see the *Cisco Content Security Virtual Appliance Installation Guide* available from <http://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/support/security/content-security-management-appliance/products-installation-guides-list.html>

To view license information, use the `show license` command in the command-line interface (CLI.)

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## Overview

Smart Software Licensing enables you to manage and monitor Cisco Content Security Management appliance licenses seamlessly. To activate Smart Software licensing, you must register your appliance with Cisco Smart Software Manager (CSSM) which is the centralized database that maintains the licensing details about all the Cisco products that you purchase and use. With Smart Licensing, you can register with a single token rather than registering them individually on the website using Product Authorization Keys (PAKs).

Once you register the appliance, you can track your appliance licenses and monitor license usage through the CSSM portal. The Smart Agent installed on the appliance connects the appliance with CSSM and passes the license usage information to the CSSM to track the consumption.

See [https://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/td/docs/wireless/technology/mesh/8-2/b\\_Smart\\_Licensing\\_Deployment\\_Guide.html](https://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/td/docs/wireless/technology/mesh/8-2/b_Smart_Licensing_Deployment_Guide.html) to know about Cisco Smart Software Manager.

- Make sure that your appliance has internet connectivity.
- Contact Cisco sales team to create a smart account in Cisco Smart Software Manager portal (<https://software.cisco.com/#module/SmartLicensing>) or install a Cisco Smart Software Manager Satellite on your network.

See [https://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/td/docs/wireless/technology/mesh/8-2/b\\_Smart\\_Licensing\\_Deployment\\_Guide.html](https://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/td/docs/wireless/technology/mesh/8-2/b_Smart_Licensing_Deployment_Guide.html) to know more about Cisco Smart Software Manager user account creation or installing a Cisco Smart Software Manager Satellite.

For users who do not want to directly send the license usage information to the internet, the Smart Software Manager Satellite can be installed on the premises, and it provides a subset of CSSM functionality. Once you download and deploy the satellite application, you can manage licenses locally and securely without sending data to CSSM using the internet. The CSSM Satellite periodically transmits the information to the cloud.



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**Note** If you want to use Smart Software Manager Satellite, use Smart Software Manager Satellite Enhanced Edition 6.1.0.

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- The existing users of classical licenses (traditional) should migrate their classical licenses to smart licenses. See <https://video.cisco.com/detail/video/5841741892001/convert-classic-licenses-to-smart-licenses?autoStart=true&q=classic>.
- The system clock of the appliance must be in sync with that of the CSSM. Any deviation in the system clock of the appliance with that of the CSSM, will result in failure of smart licensing operations.



**Note** If you have internet connectivity and want to connect to the CSSM through a proxy, you must use the same proxy that is configured for the appliance using **System Administration-> Update Settings**



**Note** For virtual users, every time you receive a new PAK file (new or renewal), generate the license file and load the file on the appliance. After loading the file, you must convert the PAK to Smart Licensing. In Smart Licensing mode, the feature keys section in the license file will be ignored while loading the file and only the certificate information will be used.

You must perform the following procedures to activate Smart Software Licensing for your appliance:

|        | Do This                                                  | More Informaton                                                                          |
|--------|----------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Step 1 | Enable Smart Software Licensing                          | <a href="#">Enabling Smart Software Licensing, on page 434</a>                           |
| Step 2 | Register the appliance with Cisco Smart Software Manager | <a href="#">Registering the Appliance with Cisco Smart Software Manager, on page 435</a> |
| Step 3 | Request for licenses (feature keys)                      | <a href="#">Requesting for Licenses, on page 436</a>                                     |

## Enabling Smart Software Licensing

### Procedure

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- Step 1** Choose **Managed Appliance > System Administration > Smart Software Licensing**.
  - Step 2** Click **Enable Smart Software Licensing**.  
To know about Smart Software Licensing, click on the Learn More about Smart Software Licensing link.
  - Step 3** Click **OK** after reading the information about Smart Software Licensing.
  - Step 4** Commit your changes.
-

### What to do next

After you enable Smart Software Licensing, all the features in the Classic Licensing mode will be automatically available in the Smart Licensing mode. If you are an existing user in Classic Licensing mode, you have 90-days evaluation period to use the Smart Software Licensing feature without registering your appliance with the CSSM.

You will get notifications on regular intervals (90th, 60th, 30th, 15th, 5th, and last day) prior to the expiry and also upon expiry of the evaluation period. You can register your appliance with the CSSM during or after the evaluation period.



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**Note** New Virtual Appliance users with no active licenses in Classic Licensing mode will not have the evaluation period even if they enable the Smart Software Licensing feature. Only the existing Virtual Appliance users with active licenses in Classic Licensing mode will have evaluation period. If new Virtual Appliance users want to evaluate the smart licensing feature, contact Cisco Sales team to add the evaluation license to the smart account. The evaluation licenses are used for evaluation purpose after registration.

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**Note** After you enable the Smart Licensing feature on your appliance, you will not be able to roll back from Smart Licensing to Classic Licensing mode.

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## Registering the Appliance with Cisco Smart Software Manager

You must enable the Smart Software Licensing feature under System Administration menu in order to register your appliance with the Cisco Smart Software Manager.

### Procedure

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- Step 1** Choose **Managed Appliance > System Administration > Smart Software Licensing**.
- Step 2** Click **Edit**, if you want to change the **Transport Settings**. The available options are:
- **Direct**: Connects the appliance directly to the Cisco Smart Software Manager through HTTPs. This option is selected by default.
  - **Transport Gateway**: Connects the appliance to the Cisco Smart Software Manager through a Transport Gateway or Smart Software Manager Satellite. When you choose this option, you must enter the URL of the Transport Gateway or the Smart Software Manager Satellite and click OK. This option supports HTTP and HTTPS. In FIPS mode, Transport Gateway supports only HTTPS. See [https://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/td/docs/wireless/technology/mesh/8-2/b\\_Smart\\_Licensing\\_Deployment\\_Guide.html](https://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/td/docs/wireless/technology/mesh/8-2/b_Smart_Licensing_Deployment_Guide.html) to know about Transport Gateway.
- Access the Cisco Smart Software Manager portal (<https://software.cisco.com/#module/SmartLicensing> using your login credentials. Navigate to the Virtual Account page of the portal and access the General tab to generate a new token. Copy the Product Instance Registration Token for your appliance.
- See [https://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/td/docs/wireless/technology/mesh/8-2/b\\_Smart\\_Licensing\\_Deployment\\_Guide.html](https://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/td/docs/wireless/technology/mesh/8-2/b_Smart_Licensing_Deployment_Guide.html) to know about Product Instance Registration Token creation.

- Step 3** Switch back to your appliance and paste the Product Instance Registration Token.
- Step 4** Click **Register**.
- Step 5** On the Smart Software Licensing page, you can check the Reregister this product instance if it is already registered check box to reregister your appliance. See [Reregistering the Appliance with Smart Cisco Software Manager](#) , on page 437.
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### What to do next

The product registration process takes a few minutes and you can view the registration status on the Smart Software Licensing page.

## Requesting for Licenses

Once you complete the registration process successfully, you must request for licenses for the appliance's features as required.

### Procedure

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- Step 1** Choose **Management Appliance > System Administration > Licenses**.
- Step 2** Click **Edit Settings**.
- Step 3** Check the checkboxes under the License Request/Release column corresponding to the licenses you want to request for.
- Step 4** Click **Submit**.

**Note** By default the license for Mail Handling is available. You cannot activate, deactivate, or release this license. There is no evaluation period or out of compliance for Mail Handling license.

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### What to do next

When the licenses are overused or expired, they will go to out of compliance (OOC) mode and 30-days grace period is provided to each license. You will get notifications on regular intervals (30th, 15th, 5th, and last day) prior to the expiry and also upon the expiry of the OOC grace period.

After the expiry of the OOC grace period, you cannot use the licenses and the features will be unavailable. To access the features again, you must update the licenses on the CSSM portal and renew the authorization.

## Releasing Licenses

### Procedure

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- Step 1** Choose **Management Appliance > System Administration > Licenses**.
- Step 2** Click **Edit Settings**.
- Step 3** Uncheck the checkboxes under the License Request column corresponding to the licenses you want to release.
- Step 4** Click **Submit**.

**Note** You cannot release the license for Mail Handling.

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## Deregistering the Appliance from Smart Cisco Software Manager

### Procedure

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- Step 1** Choose **Management Appliance > System Administration > Smart Software Licensing**.
  - Step 2** From the **Action** drop-down list, choose **Deregister** and click **Go**.
  - Step 3** Click **Submit**.
- 

## Reregistering the Appliance with Smart Cisco Software Manager

### Procedure

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- Step 1** Choose **Management Appliance > System Administration > Smart Software Licensing**.
  - Step 2** From the **Action** drop-down list, choose **Reregister** and click **Go**.
- 

### What to do next

See [Registering the Appliance with Cisco Smart Software Manager, on page 435](#) to know about registration process.

You can reregister the appliance after you reset the appliance configurations during unavoidable scenarios.

## Changing Transport Settings

You can change the transport settings only before registering the appliance with CSSM.



**Note** You can change the transport settings only when the smart licensing feature is enabled. If you have already registered your appliance, you must deregister the appliance to change the transport settings. After changing the transport settings, you must register the appliance again.

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See [Registering the Appliance with Cisco Smart Software Manager, on page 435](#) to know how to change the transport settings.

## Renewing Authorization and Certificate

After you register your appliance with the Smart Cisco Software Manager, you can renew the certificate.



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**Note** You can renew authorization only after the successful registration of the appliance.

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### Procedure

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**Step 1** Choose **Management Appliance > System Administration > Smart Software Licensing**.

**Step 2** From the **Action** drop-down list, choose the appropriate option:

- **Renew Authorization Now**
- **Renew Certificates Now**

**Step 3** Click **Go**.

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## Updating Smart Agent

To update the Smart Agent version installed on your appliance, perform the following steps:

### Procedure

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**Step 1** Choose **Management Appliance > System Administration > Smart Software Licensing**.

**Step 2** In the **Smart Agent Update Status** section, click **Update Now** and follow the process.

**Note** If you try to save any configuration changes using the CLI command `saveconfig` or through the web interface using **System Administration > Configuration Summary**, then Smart Licensing related configuration will not be saved.

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## Alerts

You will receive notifications on the following scenarios:

- Smart Software Licensing successfully enabled
- Smart Software Licensing enabling failed
- Beginning of the evaluation period
- Expiry of evaluation period (on regular intervals during evaluation period and upon expiry)
- Successfully registered
- Registration failed
- Successfully authorized
- Authorization failed

- Successfully deregistered
- Deregistration failed
- Successfully renewed Id certificate
- Renewal of Id certificate failed
- Expiry of authorization
- Expiry of Id certificate
- Expiry of out of compliance grace period (on regular intervals during out of compliance grace period and upon expiry).
- First instance of the expiry of a feature

## Command Line Interface

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### license\_smart

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#### *Description*

Configure smart software licensing feature.

#### *Usage*

**Commit:** This command requires a 'commit'.

**Batch Command:** This command supports a batch format. For details, see the inline help by typing the command: `help license_smart`.

**Example: Configuring Port for Smart Agent Service***Example: Configuring Port for Smart Agent Service*

```
example.com> license_smart
Choose the operation you want to perform:
- ENABLE - Enables Smart Licensing on the product.
- SETAGENTPORT - Set port to run Smart Agent service.
[]> setagentport

Enter the port to run smart agent service.
[65501]>
```

*Example: Enabling Smart Licensing*

```
mail.example.com > license_smart
Choose the operation you want to perform:
- ENABLE - Enables Smart Licensing on the product.
[]> enable
After enabling Smart Licensing on your appliance, follow below steps to activate
the feature keys (licenses):

a) Register the product with Smart Software Manager using license_smart > register
command in the CLI.
b) Activate the feature keys using license_smart > requestsmart_license command
in the CLI.

Note: If you are using a virtual appliance, and have not enabled any of the
features in the classic licensing mode; you will not be able to activate the
licenses, after you switch to the smart licensing mode. You need to first register
your appliance, and then you can activate the licenses (features) in the smart
licensing mode.
Commit your changes to enable the Smart Licensing mode on your appliance.
All the features enabled in the Classic Licensing mode will be available in the
Evaluation period.
Type "Y" if you want to continue, or type "N" if you want to use the classic
licensing mode
[Y/N] []> y

> commit

Please enter some comments describing your changes:
[]>
Do you want to save the current configuration for rollback? [Y]>
```

*Example: Registering the Appliance with the Smart Software Manager*

```
mail.example.com > license_smart
To start using the licenses, please register the product.
Choose the operation you want to perform:

- REGISTER - Register the product for Smart Licensing.
- URL - Set the Smart Transport URL.
- STATUS - Show overall Smart Licensing status.
- SUMMARY - Show Smart Licensing status summary.

[]> register
Reregister this product instance if it is already registered [N]> n

Enter token to register the product:
[]>
ODRlOTM5MjItOTQzOS00YjY0LWExZTUtZTdmMmY3OGNlNDZmLTE1MzM3Mzgw%0AMDEzNTR8WlpCQ1lMbGVMQWRx
OXhuenN4OWZDdktFckJLQzF5V3VibzkyTFgx%0AQWcvaz0%3D%0A
Product Registration is in progress. Use license_smart > status command to check
status of registration.
```



*Example: Status of Smart Licensing*

```
mail.example.com > license_smart
To start using the licenses, please register the product.
Choose the operation you want to perform:

- REQUESTSMART_LICENSE - Request licenses for the product.
- RELEASESMART_LICENSE - Release licenses of the product.
- REGISTER - Register the product for Smart Licensing.
- URL - Set the Smart Transport URL.
- STATUS - Show overall Smart Licensing status.
- SUMMARY - Show Smart Licensing status summary.

[]> status
Smart Licensing is: Enabled

Evaluation Period: In Use

Evaluation Period Remaining: 89 days 23 hours 53 minutes
Registration Status: Unregistered

License Authorization Status: Evaluation Mode

Last Authorization Renewal Attempt Status: No Communication Attempted

Product Instance Name: mail.example.com

Transport Settings: Direct (https://smartreceiver.cisco.com/licservice/license)
```

*Example: Status Summary of Smart Licensing*

```
mail.example.com > license_smart
To start using the licenses, please register the product.
Choose the operation you want to perform:
- REGISTER - Register the product for Smart Licensing.
- URL - Set the Smart Transport URL.
- STATUS - Show overall Smart Licensing status.
- SUMMARY - Show Smart Licensing status summary.

[]> summary

FeatureName                                LicenseAuthorizationStatus
Mail Handling                                  In Compliance
Content Security Management Master ISQ        In Compliance
```

*Example: Setting the Smart Transport URL*

```
mail.example.com > license_smart

Choose the operation you want to perform:
- REQUESTSMART_LICENSE - Request licenses for the product.
- RELEASESMART_LICENSE - Release licenses of the product.
- REGISTER - Register the product for Smart Licensing.
- URL - Set the Smart Transport URL.
- STATUS - Show overall Smart Licensing status.
- SUMMARY - Show Smart Licensing status summary.

[]> url

1. DIRECT - Product communicates directly with the cisco license servers
2. TRANSPORT_GATEWAY - Product communicates via transport gateway or smart software manager
   satellite.

Choose from the following menu options:
```

**Example: Requesting Licenses**

```
[1]> 1
```

Note: The appliance uses the Direct URL (<https://smartreceiver.cisco.com/licservice/license>) to communicate with Cisco Smart Software Manager (CSSM) via the proxy server configured using the `updateconfig` command. Transport settings will be updated after commit.

*Example: Requesting Licenses*


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**Note** Users of virtual appliance must register their appliance to request for or release the licenses.

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```
mail.example.com > license_smart
```

```
Choose the operation you want to perform:
```

- REQUESTSMART\_LICENSE - Request licenses for the product.
- RELEASESMART\_LICENSE - Release licenses of the product.
- REGISTER - Register the product for Smart Licensing.
- URL - Set the Smart Transport URL.
- STATUS - Show overall Smart Licensing status.
- SUMMARY - Show Smart Licensing status summary.

```
[> requestsmart_license
```

| Feature Name                                        | License Authorization Status |
|-----------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| 1. Content Security Management Centralized Tracking | Not Requested                |
| 2. Content Security Management Master ISQ           | Not requested                |

```
Enter the appropriate license number(s) for activation.
```

```
Separate multiple license with comma or enter range:
```

```
[> 1
```

```
Activation is in progress for following features:
```

```
Security Management Centralized Tracking
```

```
Use license_smart > summary command to check status of licenses.
```

*Example: Releasing Licenses*

```
mail.example.com > license_smart
```

```
Choose the operation you want to perform:
```

- REQUESTSMART\_LICENSE - Request licenses for the product.
- RELEASESMART\_LICENSE - Release licenses of the product.
- REGISTER - Register the product for Smart Licensing.
- URL - Set the Smart Transport URL.
- STATUS - Show overall Smart Licensing status.
- SUMMARY - Show Smart Licensing status summary.

```
[> releasesmart_license
```

| Feature Name                                        | License Authorization Status |
|-----------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| 1. Content Security Management Centralized Tracking | In Compliance                |
| 2. Content Security Management Master ISQ           | In Compliance                |

**show\_license**

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- [Example: Status Summary of Smart Licensing, on page 443](#)

*Description*

Show Smart Licensing status and summary of status.

*Example: Status of Smart Licensing*

```
example.com> showlicense_smart
Choose the operation you want to perform:
- STATUS- Show overall Smart Licensing status.
- SUMMARY - Show Smart Licensing summary.
[]> status
Smart Licensing is: Enabled

Evaluation Period: In Use

Evaluation Period Remaining: 89 days 23 hours 53 minutes
Registration Status: Unregistered

License Authorization Status: Evaluation Mode

Last Authorization Renewal Attempt Status: No Communication Attempted

Product Instance Name: mail.example.com

Transport Settings: Direct (https://smartreceiver.cisco.com/licservice/license)
```

*Example: Status Summary of Smart Licensing*

```
example.com> showlicense_smart
Choose the operation you want to perform:
- STATUS- Show overall Smart Licensing status.
- SUMMARY - Show Smart Licensing summary.

[]> summary

FeatureName                                LicenseAuthorizationStatus
Mail Handling                                  In Compliance
Content Security Management Master ISQ        In Compliance
```

## Performing Maintenance Tasks Using CLI Commands

The operations and commands described in this section enable you to perform maintenance-related tasks on the Security Management appliance. This section describes the following operations and commands:

- shutdown
- reboot
- suspend
- suspendtransfers
- resume
- resumetransfers
- resetconfig
- version

## Shutting Down the Security Management Appliance

To shut down your Security Management appliance, do the following:

- Use the **Management Appliance > System Administration > Shutdown/Reboot** page.
- or
- Use the `shutdown` command at the command-line prompt.

Shutting down an appliance exits AsyncOS, which allows you to safely power down the appliance. You may restart the appliance at a later time without losing any messages in the delivery queue. You must enter a delay for the appliance to shut down. The default delay is 30 seconds. AsyncOS allows open connections to complete during the delay, after which it forcefully closes open connections.

## Rebooting the Security Management Appliance

To reboot your Security Management appliance, use the Shutdown/Reboot page available on the System Administration menu in the GUI, or use the `reboot` command in the CLI.

Rebooting your appliance restarts AsyncOS, which allows you to safely power down and reboot the appliance. You must enter a delay for the appliance to shut down. The default delay is 30 seconds. AsyncOS allows open connections to complete during the delay, after which it forcefully closes open connections. You may restart the appliance without losing any messages in the delivery queue.

## Taking the Security Management Appliance Out of Service

If you want to take the appliance offline, for example to perform system maintenance, use one of the following commands:

| Command                       | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Persistence            |
|-------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|
| <code>suspend</code>          | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Suspends transfer of quarantined messages from the Email Security appliance to the Security Management appliance.</li> <li>• Suspends delivery of messages released from quarantines.</li> <li>• Inbound email connections are not accepted.</li> <li>• Outbound email delivery is halted.</li> <li>• Log transfers are halted.</li> <li>• The CLI remains accessible.</li> </ul> | Persists after reboot. |
| <code>suspendtransfers</code> | <p>Suspends transfer of reporting and tracking data from managed email and web security appliances to the content security management appliance.</p> <p>This command also suspends receiving of quarantined messages from Email Security appliances.</p> <p>Use this command when preparing to bring a backup appliance into service as the primary appliance.</p>                                                         | Persists after reboot. |

You must enter a delay for the appliance when using these commands. The default delay is 30 seconds. AsyncOS allows open connections to complete during the delay, after which it forcefully closes open connections. If there are no open connections, service is suspended immediately.

To re-activate services that were halted by the suspend or suspendtransfers commands, use the resume or resumetransfers commands, respectively.

To determine the current online/suspended status of the management appliance, select **Management Appliance > System Administration > Shutdown/Reboot** in the web interface.

See also:

- “Suspending Email Delivery,” “Resuming Email Delivery,” “Suspending Receiving,” and “Resuming Receiving” in the documentation or online help for your Email Security appliance.

## CLI Examples: suspend and suspendtransfers Commands

```
sma.example.com> suspend
Enter the number of seconds to wait before abruptly closing connections.
[30]> 45
Waiting for listeners to exit...
Receiving suspended.
Waiting for outgoing deliveries to finish...
Mail delivery suspended.
sma.example.com>
sma.example.com> suspendtransfers

Transfers suspended.
sma.example.com>
```

## Resuming from a Suspended State

The resume command returns the appliance to normal operating state after using the suspend or suspenddel command.

The resumetransfers command returns the appliance to normal operating state after using the suspendtransfers command.

## CLI Examples: resume and resumetransfers Commands

```
sma.example.com> resume
Receiving resumed.
Mail delivery resumed.
sma.example.com>
sma.example.com> resumetransfers

Receiving resumed.
Transfers resumed.
sma.example.com>
```

## Resetting the Configuration to Factory Defaults

When physically transferring the appliance, or as a last resort for solving configuration issues, you may want to reset the appliance to factory defaults.



### Caution

Resetting the configuration will disconnect you from the CLI, disable services that you used to connect to the appliance (FTP, Telnet, SSH, HTTP, HTTPS), and remove user accounts.


| To                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Do This                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reset all configurations to factory defaults</li> <li>Clear all reporting counters</li> </ul> <p>But</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Retain log files</li> <li>Retain quarantined messages</li> </ul> | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ensure that you can connect to the appliance after reset using the default admin user account and passphrase, either to the CLI using the serial interface or to the Management port using the default settings. See chapter <a href="#">Setup, Installation, and Basic Configuration, on page 7</a> for information about accessing an appliance having default settings.</li> <li>Suspend service on the appliance.</li> <li>Select <b>Management Appliance &gt; System Administration &gt; Configuration File</b> and click <b>Reset</b>.</li> </ol> <p><b>Note</b> After resetting, the appliance automatically returns to the online state. If mail delivery was suspended before reset, delivery will be attempted again after the reset.</p> |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reset all configurations to factory defaults</li> <li>Remove all data</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                 | <p>Use the <code>diagnostic &gt; reload</code> CLI command.</p> <p><b>Caution</b> This command is NOT the same as the similar command used on a Cisco router or switch.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |

## The resetconfig Command

```
mail3.example.com> suspend
Delay (seconds, minimum 30):
[30]> 45
Waiting for listeners to exit...
Receiving suspended.
Waiting for outgoing deliveries to finish...
Mail delivery suspended.
mail3.example.com> resetconfig
Are you sure you want to reset all configuration values? [N]> Y
All settings have been restored to the factory default.
```

## Displaying the Version Information for AsyncOS

### Procedure

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- Step 1** [New Web Interface Only] On the Security Management appliance, click  to load the legacy web interface.
  - Step 2** Choose **Management Appliances > Centralized Services > System Status**.
  - Step 3** Scroll to the bottom of the page and look under Version Information to see the version of AsyncOS that is currently installed.

Additionally, you can use the **version** command at the command-line prompt.

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# Enabling Remote Power Cycling

The ability to remotely reset the power for the appliance chassis is available only on 80- and 90- series hardware.

If you want to be able to remotely reset appliance power, you must enable and configure this functionality in advance, using the procedure described in this section.

## Before you begin

- Cable the dedicated Remote Power Cycle (RPC) port directly to a secure network. For information, see hardware documentation for your model, available from the location listed in [Documentation](#), on page 577.
- Ensure that the appliance is accessible remotely; for example, open any necessary ports through the firewall.
- This feature requires a unique IPv4 address for the dedicated Remote Power Cycle interface. This interface is configurable only via the procedure described in this section; it cannot be configured using the `ipconfig` command.
- In order to cycle appliance power, you will need a third-party tool that can manage devices that support the Intelligent Platform Management Interface (IPMI) version 2.0. Ensure that you are prepared to use such a tool.
- For more information about accessing the command-line interface, see the CLI reference guide.

## Procedure

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**Step 1** Use SSH, telnet, or the serial console port to access the command-line interface.

**Step 2** Sign in using an account with Administrator access.

**Step 3** Enter the following commands:

```
remotepower
setup
```

**Step 4** Follow the prompts to specify the following:

- The dedicated IP address for this feature, plus netmask and gateway.
- The username and passphrase required to execute the power-cycle command.

These credentials are independent of other credentials used to access your appliance.

**Step 5** Enter `commit` to save your changes.

**Step 6** Test your configuration to be sure that you can remotely manage appliance power.

**Step 7** Ensure that the credentials that you entered will be available to you in the indefinite future. For example, store this information in a safe place and ensure that administrators who may need to perform this task have access to the required credentials.

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**What to do next**

[Remotely Resetting Appliance Power](#), on page 556

## Monitoring System Health Using SNMP

AsyncOS supports system status monitoring via Simple Network Management Protocol (SNMP) versions v1, v2, and v3.

- To enable and configure SNMP, use the `snmpconfig` command in the command-line interface.
- MIBs are available from <http://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/support/security/content-security-management-appliance/tsd-products-support-series-home.html> use the latest available files.
- The use of SNMPv3 with passphrase authentication and DES Encryption is mandatory to enable this service. (For more information on SNMPv3, see RFCs 2571-2575.) You are required to set a SNMPv3 passphrase of at least 8 characters to enable SNMP system status monitoring. The first time you enter a SNMPv3 passphrase, you must re-enter it to confirm. The `snmpconfig` command “remembers” this phrase the next time you run the command.
- When setting up SNMP to monitor connectivity:

When entering the `url`-attribute while configuring a `connectivityFailure` SNMP trap, determine whether the URL is pointing at a directory or a file.

- If it is a directory, add a trailing slash (/)
  - If it is a file, do not add a trailing slash
- Additional information about using SNMP with AsyncOS is available in the online help for your web or email security appliance.

### Example: `snmpconfig` Command

```
sma.example.com> snmpconfig
Current SNMP settings:
SNMP Disabled.
Choose the operation you want to perform:
- SETUP - Configure SNMP.
[1]> SETUP
Do you want to enable SNMP?
[Y]>
Please choose an IP interface for SNMP requests.
1. Management (198.51.100.1: sma.example.com)
[1]>
Which port shall the SNMP daemon listen on interface "Management"?
[161]>
Please select SNMPv3 authentication type:
1. MD5
2. SHA
[1]> 2
Please select SNMPv3 privacy protocol:
1. DES
2. AES
[1]> 2
```



```

Enter the SNMPv3 authentication passphrase.
[ ]>
Please enter the SNMPv3 authentication passphrase again to confirm.
[ ]>
Enter the SNMPv3 privacy passphrase.
[ ]>
Please enter the SNMPv3 privacy passphrase again to confirm.
[ ]>
Service SNMP V1/V2c requests?
[ N ]> Y
Enter the SNMP V1/V2c community string.
[ironport]> public
Shall SNMP V2c requests be serviced from IPv4 addresses?
[ Y ]>
From which IPv4 networks shall SNMP V1/V2c requests be allowed? Separate
multiple networks with commas.
[127.0.0.1/32]>
Enter the Trap target as a host name, IP address or list of IP
addresses separated by commas (IP address preferred). Enter "None" to disable traps.
[127.0.0.1]> 203.0.113.1
Enter the Trap Community string.
[ironport]> tcomm
Enterprise Trap Status
1. CPUUtilizationExceeded           Disabled
2. FIPSMODEDisableFailure           Enabled
3. FIPSMODEEnableFailure            Enabled
4. FailoverHealthy                   Enabled
5. FailoverUnhealthy                 Enabled
6. RAIDStatusChange                 Enabled
7. connectivityFailure               Disabled
8. fanFailure                         Enabled
9. highTemperature                   Enabled
10. keyExpiration                     Enabled
11. linkUpDown                       Enabled
12. memoryUtilizationExceeded        Disabled
13. powerSupplyStatusChange          Enabled
14. resourceConservationMode          Enabled
15. updateFailure                     Enabled
Do you want to change any of these settings?
[ N ]> Y
Do you want to disable any of these traps?
[ Y ]> n
Do you want to enable any of these traps?
[ Y ]> y
Enter number or numbers of traps to enable. Separate multiple numbers with
commas.
[ ]> 1,7,12
What threshold would you like to set for CPU utilization?
[95]>
What URL would you like to check for connectivity failure?
[http://downloads.ironport.com]>
What threshold would you like to set for memory utilization?
[95]>
Enter the System Location string.
[Unknown: Not Yet Configured]> Network Operations Center - west; rack #30, position 3
Enter the System Contact string.
[snmp@localhost]> SMA.Administrator@example.com
Current SNMP settings:
Listening on interface "Management" 198.51.100.1 port 161.
SNMP v3: Enabled.
SNMP v1/v2: Enabled, accepting requests from subnet 127.0.0.1/32 .
SNMP v1/v2 Community String: public
Trap target: 203.0.113.1
Location: Network Operations Center - west; rack #30, position 3

```

```
System Contact: SMA.Administrator@example.com
Choose the operation you want to perform:
- SETUP - Configure SNMP.
[]>
sma.example.com> commit
Please enter some comments describing your changes:
[]> Enable and configure SNMP
Changes committed: Fri Nov 06 18:13:16 2015 GMT
sma.example.com>
```

## Backing Up Security Management Appliance Data

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### What Data Is Backed Up

You can choose to back up all data, or any combination of the following data:

- Spam quarantine, including messages and meta data
- Centralized policy, virus, and outbreak quarantines, including messages and meta data
- Email tracking (message tracking), including messages and meta data
- Web tracking
- Reporting (Email and Web)
- Safelist/blocklist

After the data transfer is finished, the data on the two appliances will be identical.

Configurations and logs are not backed up using this process. To back up those items, see [Other Important Backup Tasks](#) , on page 455.

Each backup after the first backup copies only the information generated since the last backup.

### Restrictions and Requirements for Backups

Be sure to address the following restrictions and requirements before you schedule a backup:

| Restriction                                        | Requirement                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| AsyncOS version                                    | The AsyncOS version of the source and target Security Management appliances must be the same. If there is a version incompatibility, upgrade appliances to the same release before scheduling a backup.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| Target appliance on the network                    | The target appliance must be set up on the network.<br><br>If the target appliance is new, run the System Setup Wizard to enter the necessary information. For instructions, see <a href="#">Setup, Installation, and Basic Configuration, on page 7</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Communication between source and target appliances | The source and target Security Management appliances must be able to communicate using SSH. Therefore: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Port 22 must be open on both appliances. By default, this port is opened when you run the System Setup Wizard.</li> <li>• The Domain Name Server (DNS) must be able to resolve the host names of both appliances using both A records and PTR records.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Target appliance must not be in service            | Only the primary appliance should pull data from managed email and web security appliances. To ensure this, see <a href="#">Prevent the Target Appliance From Pulling Data Directly from Managed Appliances</a> , on page 453.<br><br>Also, cancel any scheduled configuration publishing jobs on the backup appliance.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| Appliance capacity                                 | The disk space capacity of the target appliance must be the same as or greater than the capacity of the source appliance. Disk space allocated to each type of data (reporting, tracking, quarantine, etc.) on the target appliance cannot be less than the corresponding allocation on the source appliance.<br><br>You can schedule a backup from a larger source to a smaller target Security Management appliance as long as there is enough space on the target appliance for all of the data being backed up, for each type of data. If the source appliance is larger than the target appliance, you must reduce the space allocated on the source appliance to match the space available on the smaller target appliance.<br><br>To view and manage disk space allocations and capacity, see <a href="#">Managing Disk Space</a> , on page 494.<br><br>For disk capacity of virtual appliances, see the <i>Cisco Content Security Virtual Appliance Installation Guide</i> . |
| Multiple, concurrent, and chained backups          | Only one backup process can run at a time; a backup that is scheduled to run before a previous backup has been completed will be skipped and a warning sent.<br><br>Data from a Security Management appliance can be backed up to a single Security Management appliance.<br><br>Chained backup (a backup to a backup) is not supported.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |

## Backup Duration

During a full initial backup, a backup of 800GB may take up to 10 hours. Daily backups, may take up to 3 hours each. Weekly and monthly backups may take longer. These numbers may vary.

After the initial backup, the backup process transfers only files that have changed since the last backup. Thus, subsequent backups should take less time than the initial backup. The time required for subsequent backups depends on the amount of data accumulated, how many files have changed, and to what extent the files have changed since the last backup.

## Availability of Services During Backups

Backing up a Security Management appliance copies the active data set from the ‘source’ Security Management appliance to a ‘target’ Security Management appliance with minimum disruption on the originating ‘source’ appliance.

The phases of the backup process and their effect on the availability of services are as follows:

- Phase 1—Phase 1 of the backup process starts with the data transfer between the source and target appliances. During data transfer, services on the source appliance remain running, therefore data collection can still continue. However, services are shut down on the target appliance. Once the data transfer is complete from the source to target appliance, Phase 2 begins.
- Phase 2—When Phase 2 begins, services on the source appliance are shut down. Any differences that have collected during the data transfer between the source and target appliance since the initial shutdown are copied to the target appliance and services on both the source and the target appliances are returned to the state they were in when backup was initiated. This allows maintain maximum uptime on the source appliance and no data loss for either appliance.

During the backup, data availability reports may not work, and when viewing the message tracking results, the hostname for each message may be labeled as ‘unresolved’.

If you try to schedule a report and forget that a backup is in progress, you can check the system status by choosing **Management Appliance > Centralized Services**. From this window you can see the warning at the top of the page that a system backup is in progress.

## Interruption of a Backup Process




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**Note** If there is an unexpected reboot of the source appliance while a backup is being performed, the target appliance is unaware of this stoppage. You must cancel the backup on the target appliance.

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If there is an interruption of the backup process and the backup process is not completed, the next time a backup is attempted, the Security Management appliance can start the backup process up from where it was stopped.

Canceling a backup in progress is not recommended, as the existing data will be incomplete and may not be usable until a subsequent backup is completed, especially if you receive an error. If you must cancel a backup in progress, be sure to run a complete backup as soon as possible to ensure that you always have a usable current backup.

## Prevent the Target Appliance From Pulling Data Directly from Managed Appliances

### Procedure

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- Step 1** Access the command-line interface of the target appliance. For instructions, see [Accessing the Command Line Interface, on page 14](#).
- Step 2** Run the `suspendtransfers` command.
- Step 3** Wait for the prompt to reappear.
- Step 4** Run the `suspend` command.
- Step 5** Wait for the prompt to reappear.
- Step 6** Exit the command-line interface of the target appliance.
- 

## Receiving Alerts About Backup Status

To receive alerts when backups are complete and be informed of any issues, configure the appliance to send you alerts of type System, severity Info. See [Managing Alerts, on page 472](#).

## Scheduling Single or Recurring Backups

You can schedule a single or recurring backup to occur at a predetermined time.



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**Note** A backup process will not start if there are any ongoing backups on the remote machine.

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### Before you begin

- Address the items in [Restrictions and Requirements for Backups, on page 450](#).
- Make sure you disable two-factor authentication temporarily on the target appliance before you begin the backup process. Once the backup process is complete, you can enable two-factor authentication on the target appliance.

### Procedure

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- Step 1** Login, as administrator, to the command-line interface of the source appliance.
- Step 2** At the command prompt, type `backupconfig` and press **Enter**.
- Step 3** If the connection between source and target appliances is slow, turn on data compression:  
Type `setup` and enter **Y**.
- Step 4** Type `Schedule` and press **Enter**.

- Step 5** Type the IP address of the target Security Management appliance.
- Step 6** Enter a meaningful name to identify the target appliance (up to 20 characters).
- Step 7** Enter the admin user name and passphrase for the target appliance.
- Step 8** Respond to prompts about which data you want to back up.
- Step 9** To schedule a single backup, type **2** to Schedule a single backup and press **Enter**.
- Step 10** To schedule a recurring backup:
- Type **1** to Setup Repeating Backup Schedule and press **Enter**.
  - Choose the frequency for your periodic backup and press **Enter**.
- Step 11** Type the specific date or day and time that you want the backup to start and press **Enter**.
- Step 12** Type the name of the backup process.
- Step 13** Verify that the backup was successfully scheduled: Type **View** and press **Enter** at the command prompt.
- Step 14** See also [Other Important Backup Tasks](#) , on page 455.

## Starting an Immediate Backup



**Note** A backup process will not start if there are any ongoing backups on the target machine.

### Before you begin

Meet all requirements in [Restrictions and Requirements for Backups](#) , on page 450.

### Procedure

- Step 1** Login, as administrator, to the command-line interface of the source appliance.
- Step 2** At the command prompt, type `backupconfig` and press **Enter**.
- Step 3** If the connection between source and target appliances is slow, turn on data compression:  
Type `setup` and enter **Y**.
- Step 4** Type `Schedule` and press **Enter**.
- Step 5** Type the IP address of the target Security Management appliance.
- Step 6** Enter a meaningful name to identify the target appliance (up to 20 characters).
- Step 7** Enter the admin user name and passphrase for the target appliance.
- Step 8** Respond to prompts about which data you want to back up.
- Step 9** Type `3` to Start a Single Backup Now and press **Enter**.
- Step 10** Enter a meaningful name for the backup job.  
The backup process begins in a few minutes.
- Step 11** (Optional) To see the progress of the backup, type `Status` at the command-line prompt.

**Step 12** See also [Other Important Backup Tasks](#) , on page 455.

## Checking Backup Status

### Procedure

**Step 1** Log in, as administrator, to the command-line interface of the primary appliance.

**Step 2** At the command prompt, type **backupconfig** and press **Enter**.

| To Check Status Of   | Do This                                                                                                                                     |
|----------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| A scheduled backup   | Choose the View operation.                                                                                                                  |
| A backup in progress | Choose the Status operation.<br>If you have configured alerts, check your email or see <a href="#">Viewing Recent Alerts</a> , on page 474. |

### What to do next

#### Related Topics

[Backup Information in Log Files](#) , on page 455

## Backup Information in Log Files

Backup logs record the backup process from start to finish.

Information about backup scheduling is in the SMA logs.

#### Related Topics

- [Checking Backup Status](#) , on page 455

## Other Important Backup Tasks

Consider doing the following in order to prevent loss of items that are not backed up by the backup processes described in this section, and to speed setup of your replacement Security Management appliance in case of appliance failure:

- To save the settings from your primary Security Management appliance, see [Saving and Importing Configuration Settings](#) , on page 486. Save the configuration file to a safe location separate from your primary Security Management appliance.
- Save any Web Security appliance configuration files that you used to populate your Configuration Masters.
- To save log files from your Security Management appliance to an alternate location, see [Log Subscriptions](#) , on page 539.

Additionally, you can set up a log subscription for Backup Logs. See [Creating a Log Subscription in the GUI, on page 541](#).


## Making a Backup Appliance the Primary Appliance

If you are upgrading appliance hardware, or if you need to switch appliances for any other reason, use this procedure.

### Before you begin

Review the information in [Backing Up Security Management Appliance Data](#) , on page 450.

### Procedure

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- Step 1** Save a copy of the configuration file from your old/primary/source appliance to a location that you can reach from the new appliance. See [Saving and Importing Configuration Settings](#) , on page 486.
- Step 2** Run the System Setup Wizard on the new/backup/target appliance.
- Step 3** Meet the requirements in [Restrictions and Requirements for Backups](#) , on page 450.
- Step 4** Run a backup from the old/primary/source appliance. See instructions at [Starting an Immediate Backup, on page 454](#).
- Step 5** Wait for the backup to complete.
- Step 6** Run the suspendtransfers and suspend commands on the old/primary/source appliance.
- Step 7** Run a second backup to transfer last-minute data from the old/primary/source to the new/backup/target appliance.
- Step 8** Import the configuration file into the new/backup/target appliance.
- Step 9** Run the resumetransfers and resume commands on the new/backup/target appliance.  
Do NOT run this command on the old/original primary/source appliance.
- Step 10** Establish the connection between the new/backup/target appliance and the managed email and web security appliances:
- Step 11**
- [New Web Interface Only] On the Security Management appliance, click  to load the legacy web interface.
  - Select **Management Appliance > Centralized Services > Security Appliances**.
  - Click an appliance name.
  - Click the **Establish Connection** button.
  - Click **Test Connection**.
  - Return to the list of appliances.
  - Repeat for each managed appliance.
- Step 12** Verify that the new/target appliance is now functioning as the primary appliance:  
Select **Management Appliance > Centralized Services > System Status** and check the status of data transfers.
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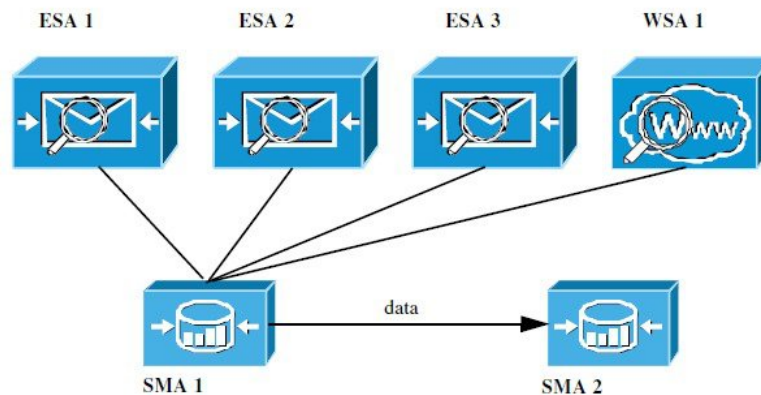


# Disaster Recovery on the Security Management Appliance

If your Security Management appliance unexpectedly fails, use the following procedure to restore security management services and your backed-up data, which you regularly save using the information in [Backing Up Security Management Appliance Data](#), on page 450.

A typical appliance configuration might look as shown in the following figure:

**Figure 14: Disaster Recovery: A Typical Environment**



In this environment, SMA 1 is the primary Security Management appliance that is receiving data from ESAs 1-3 and WSA 1. SMA 2 is the backup Security Management appliance receiving backup data from SMA1.

In case of failure, you must configure SMA 2 to be your primary Security Management appliance.

To configure SMA 2 as your new primary Security Management appliance and restore service:

## Procedure

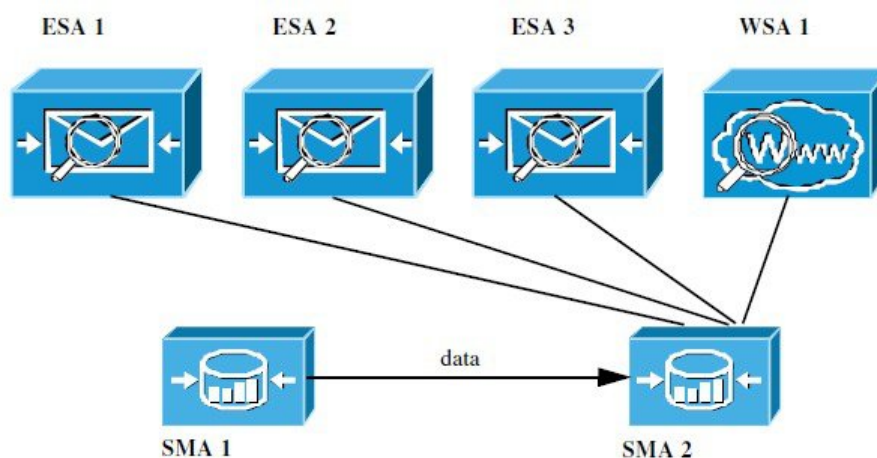
|               | Command or Action                                                                                                                                                                              | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
|---------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Step 1</b> | If you are using Centralized Policy, Virus, and Outbreak Quarantines: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>On each Email Security appliance, disable the centralized quarantines.</li> </ul> | See instructions for disabling Centralized Policy, Virus, and Outbreak Quarantines in the Email Security appliance documentation.<br><br>This will create local quarantines on each Email Security appliance, which you will migrate later to the new Security Management appliance.                        |
| <b>Step 2</b> | Load onto your backup Security Management appliance (SMA2) the configuration file that you saved from your primary Security Management appliance (SMA1).                                       | See <a href="#">Loading a Configuration File</a> , on page 487.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| <b>Step 3</b> | Recreate the IP address from the failed SMA 1 to be the IP address on SMA 2                                                                                                                    | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>On SMA 2 choose <b>Network &gt; IP Interfaces &gt; Add IP Interfaces</b>.</li> <li>On the <b>Add IP Interfaces</b> page, enter all of the relevant IP Interface information from the failed SMA1 into the text fields to recreate the interface on SMA 2.</li> </ol> |

|               | Command or Action                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | Purpose                                                                                                       |
|---------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|               |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | For more information about Adding IP Interfaces, see <a href="#">Configuring IP Interfaces</a> , on page 558. |
| <b>Step 4</b> | Submit and commit your changes.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                                                                                                               |
| <b>Step 5</b> | Enable all applicable centralized services on the new Security Management appliance (SMA 2).                                                                                                                                                                   | See <a href="#">Configuring Services on the Security Management Appliance</a> , on page 21.                   |
| <b>Step 6</b> | Add all appliances on to the new Security Management appliance (SMA 2). <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Test to see that each appliance is enabled and working by establishing a connection to the appliances and testing the connections.</li> </ul> | See <a href="#">About Adding Managed Appliances</a> , on page 19.                                             |
| <b>Step 7</b> | If you are using Centralized Policy, Virus, and Outbreak Quarantines, configure quarantine migration on the new Security Management appliance, then enable and configure the migration on each applicable Email Security appliance.                            | See <a href="#">Centralizing Policy, Virus, and Outbreak Quarantines</a> , on page 301.                       |
| <b>Step 8</b> | If necessary, restore additional data.                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | See <a href="#">Other Important Backup Tasks</a> , on page 455.                                               |

### What to do next

After this process is complete, SMA 2 becomes the primary Security Management appliance. All data from ESAs 1-3 and WSA 1 now goes to SMA 2, as shown in the following figure:

*Figure 15: Disaster Recovery: Final Result*



# Upgrading Appliance Hardware

See [Making a Backup Appliance the Primary Appliance](#) , on page 456.

## Upgrading AsyncOS

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- [Choosing an Upgrade Method: Remote vs. Streaming](#) , on page 459
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- [After Upgrading](#) , on page 469

## Batch Commands for Upgrades

Batch commands for upgrade procedures are documented in the CLI Reference Guide for AsyncOS for Email at <http://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/support/security/email-security-appliance/products-command-reference-list.html>

## Determining Network Requirements for Upgrades and Updates

The update servers for Cisco content security appliances use dynamic IP addresses. If you have strict firewall policies, you may need to configure a static location for AsyncOS upgrades. If you determine that your firewall settings require a static IP for upgrades, contact Cisco Customer support to obtain the required URL addresses.



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**Note** If you have any existing firewall rules allowing download of legacy upgrades from [upgrades.cisco.com](http://upgrades.cisco.com) ports such as 22, 25, 80, 4766, they will need to be removed and/or replaced with revised firewall rules.

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## Choosing an Upgrade Method: Remote vs. Streaming

Cisco provides two methods (or ‘sources’) for upgrading AsyncOS on your appliances:

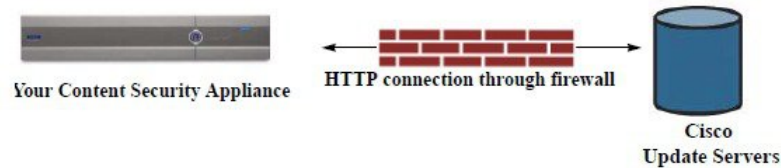
- Streaming upgrades — Each appliance downloads the AsyncOS upgrades via HTTP directly from the Cisco content security update servers.
- Remote upgrades — You only download the upgrade image from Cisco one time, and then serve it to your appliances. Your appliances then download the AsyncOS upgrades from a server within your network.

You will configure the upgrade method in [Configuring Upgrade and Service Update Settings](#), on page 462. Optionally, use the **updateconfig** command in the CLI.

## Streaming Upgrade Overview

In Streaming upgrades, each Cisco Content Security appliance connects directly to the Cisco content security update servers to find and download upgrades:

**Figure 16: Streaming Update Method**

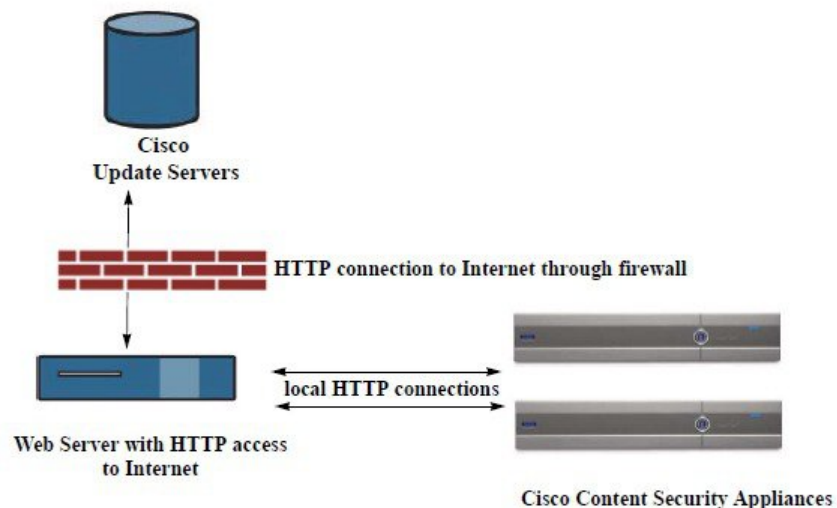


This method requires that your appliance contacts the Cisco content security update servers directly from the network.

## Remote Upgrade Overview

You can also download and host updates to AsyncOS locally from within your own network (Remote Upgrade) rather than obtaining updates directly from the Cisco update servers (Streaming Upgrades). Using this feature, an encrypted update image downloaded via HTTP to any server in your network that has access to the Internet. If you choose to download the update image, you can then configure an internal HTTP server (an “update manager”) to host the AsyncOS images to your Security Management appliances.


**Figure 17: Remote Update Method**



The basic process is as follows:

### Procedure

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- Step 1** Read the information in [Hardware and Software Requirements for Remote Upgrades, on page 461](#) and [Hosting a Remote Upgrade Image, on page 461](#).
  - Step 2** Configure a local server to retrieve and serve the upgrade files.

- Step 3** Download the upgrade files.
- Step 4** [New Web Interface Only] On the Security Management appliance, click  to load the legacy web interface.
- Step 5** Choose **Management Appliance > System Administration > Update Settings**  
From this page, choose to configure the appliance to use the local server.
- Step 6** Choose **Management Appliance > System Administration > System Upgrade**
- Step 7** Click **Available Upgrades**.
- Note** From the command-line prompt you can also do the following: Run the **updateconfig** command then run the **upgrade** command.
- For complete information, see [Upgrading AsyncOS, on page 459](#).

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## Hardware and Software Requirements for Remote Upgrades

For *downloading* AsyncOS upgrade files, you must have a system in your internal network that has:

- Internet access to the update servers for Cisco content security appliances.
- A web browser.



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**Note** For this release, if you need to configure a firewall setting to allow HTTP access to this address, you must configure it using the DNS name and not a specific IP address.

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For *hosting* AsyncOS update files, you must have a server in your internal network that has:

- A web server — for example, Microsoft IIS (Internet Information Services) or the Apache open source server — that:
  - supports the display of directory or filenames in excess of 24 characters
  - has directory browsing enabled
  - is configured for anonymous (no authentication) or basic (“simple”) authentication
  - contains at least 350MB of free disk space for each AsyncOS update image

## Hosting a Remote Upgrade Image

After setting up a local server, go to [http://updates.ironport.com/fetch\\_manifest.html](http://updates.ironport.com/fetch_manifest.html) to download a zip file of an upgrade image. To download the image, enter your serial number and the version number of the Cisco Content Security appliance. You will then be presented with a list of available upgrades. Click the upgrade version that you want to download a zip file of the upgrade image. To use the upgrade image for AsyncOS upgrades, enter the base URL for your local server on the Edit Update Settings page (or use `updateconfig` in the CLI).

You can also host an XML file on a local server that limits the available upgrades for the Cisco Content Security appliances on your network to the version selected at [http://updates.ironport.com/fetch\\_manifest.html](http://updates.ironport.com/fetch_manifest.html). Your Cisco Content Security appliances still download the upgrade from the Cisco servers. If you want to host the upgrade list on a local server, download the zip file and extract the `asyncoos/phoebe-my-upgrade.xml` file to the root directory of the local server. To use the upgrade list for AsyncOS upgrades, enter the full URL for the XML file on the Edit Update Settings page (or use `updateconfig` in the CLI).

For more information about remote upgrades, check the Knowledge Base (see [Knowledge Base Articles \(TechNotes\)](#), on page 579) or contact your support provider.

## Important Differences in Remote Upgrading Method

Note these differences when upgrading AsyncOS from a local server (Remote upgrade) as opposed to the Streaming upgrade method:

- The upgrade installs immediately *while downloading*.
- A banner appears for 10 seconds at the beginning of the upgrade process. While this banner appears, you have the option to press Control-C to exit the upgrade process before downloading starts.

## Configuring Upgrade and Service Update Settings

You can configure how the Cisco Content Security appliance downloads security services updates (such as time zone rules) and AsyncOS upgrades. For example, you can choose whether to download upgrades and updates dynamically from Cisco servers or from a local server onto which you have made the images available; configure the update interval; or disable automatic updates.

AsyncOS periodically queries the update servers for new updates to all security service components except for new AsyncOS upgrades. To upgrade AsyncOS, you must manually prompt AsyncOS to query for available upgrades.

You can configure upgrade and updates settings in the GUI (see the following two sections) or using the `updateconfig` command in the CLI.

You can also configure upgrade notification settings.

## Upgrade and Update Settings

The following table describes the update and upgrade settings you can configure.

**Table 83: Update Settings for Security Services**

| Setting                        | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Update Servers (images)</b> | <p>Choose whether to download AsyncOS upgrade and service update software images, such as time zone rules and Feature Key updates, from the Cisco servers or a from a local web server. The default is the Cisco servers for both upgrades and updates.</p> <p>You might want to use a local web server if :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• You need to download images to your appliance from a static address. See <a href="#">Static Upgrade and Update Server Settings for Environments with Strict Firewall Policies</a>, on page 463.</li> <li>• You want to download AsyncOS upgrade images to your appliance at your convenience. (You can still download service update images dynamically from the Cisco update servers.)</li> </ul> <p>When you choose a local update server, enter the base URL and port number for the servers used to download the upgrades and updates. If the server requires authentication, you can also enter a valid user name and passphrase.</p> <p>For more information, see <a href="#">Choosing an Upgrade Method: Remote vs. Streaming</a>, on page 459 and <a href="#">Remote Upgrade Overview</a>, on page 460.</p> |

| Setting                       | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
|-------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Update Servers (lists)</b> | <p>Choose whether to download the lists of available upgrades and service updates (the manifest XML files) from the Cisco servers or from a local web server.</p> <p>The default for both upgrades and updates is the Cisco servers. You can choose different settings for upgrades and for updates.</p> <p>If applicable, see <a href="#">Static Upgrade and Update Server Settings for Environments with Strict Firewall Policies</a> , on page 463.</p> <p>If you choose local update servers, enter the full path to the manifest XML file for each list including the file name and port number for the server. If you leave the port field blank, AsyncOS uses port 80. If the server requires authentication, you can also enter a valid user name and passphrase.</p> <p>For more information, see <a href="#">Choosing an Upgrade Method: Remote vs. Streaming</a> , on page 459 and <a href="#">Remote Upgrade Overview</a>, on page 460.</p> |
| <b>Automatic Updates</b>      | <p>Choose whether or not to enable automatic updates for time zone rules. When enabled, enter the time to wait between checks for updates. Add a trailing <b>m</b> for minutes, <b>h</b> for hours, and <b>d</b> for days.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| <b>Interface</b>              | <p>Choose which network interface to use when contacting the update servers for time zone rules and AsyncOS upgrades. The available proxy data interfaces are shown. By default, the appliance selects an interface to use.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| <b>HTTP Proxy Server</b>      | <p>If an upstream HTTP proxy server exists and requires authentication, enter the server information and user name and passphrase here.</p> <p>Note that if you specify a proxy server, it will be used to access and update the services listed in the GUI.</p> <p>This proxy server is also used to obtain File Analysis report details from the cloud. See also <a href="#">Requirements for File Analysis Report Details</a> , on page 82 (Web reports) or <a href="#">Requirements for File Analysis Report Details</a> , on page 184 (Email reports).</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| <b>HTTPS Proxy Server</b>     | <p>If an upstream HTTPS proxy server exists and requires authentication, enter the server information and user name and passphrase here.</p> <p>Note that if you specify a proxy server, it will be used to access and update the services listed in the GUI.</p> <p>This proxy server is also used to obtain File Analysis report details from the cloud.. See also <a href="#">Requirements for File Analysis Report Details</a> , on page 82 (Web reports) or <a href="#">Requirements for File Analysis Report Details</a> , on page 184 (Email reports).</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |

## Static Upgrade and Update Server Settings for Environments with Strict Firewall Policies

The AsyncOS update servers use dynamic IP addresses. If your environment has strict firewall policies which require static IP addresses, use the following settings on the Update Settings page:



Figure 18: Static URLs for Update Servers (images) Settings

|                          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                                                                                                                                                |
|--------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Update Servers (images): | <p>The update servers will be used to obtain <b>update images</b> for the following services:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Feature Key updates</li> <li>- Time zone rules</li> <li>- Cisco IronPort AsyncOS upgrades</li> </ul> |                                                                                                                                                |
|                          | <input type="radio"/> Cisco IronPort Update Servers                                                                                                                                                                                             |                                                                                                                                                |
|                          | <input checked="" type="radio"/> Local Update Servers (location of update image files)                                                                                                                                                          |                                                                                                                                                |
|                          | Base Url (all services except Time zone rules and Cisco IronPort AsyncOS upgrades):                                                                                                                                                             | <input type="text" value="http://downloads-static.ironport.com"/> Port: <input type="text" value="80"/><br><i>http://downloads.example.com</i> |
|                          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Authentication (optional):<br>Username: <input type="text"/><br>Password: <input type="text"/><br>Retype Password: <input type="text"/>        |
|                          | Base Url (Time zone rules):                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | <input type="text" value="downloads-static.ironport.com:80"/><br><i>format: downloads.example.com:80</i>                                       |
|                          | <input type="button" value="Click to use different settings for AsyncOS upgrades:"/>                                                                                                                                                            |                                                                                                                                                |
|                          | <b>AsyncOS Upgrade settings</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                                                                                                                                                |
|                          | <input type="radio"/> Cisco IronPort Update Servers                                                                                                                                                                                             |                                                                                                                                                |
|                          | <input checked="" type="radio"/> Local Update Servers (location of update image files)                                                                                                                                                          |                                                                                                                                                |
|                          | Host (Cisco IronPort AsyncOS upgrades):                                                                                                                                                                                                         | <input type="text" value="updates-static.ironport.com"/> Port: <input type="text" value="80"/> (optional)<br><i>Ex. downloads.example.com</i>  |

Figure 19: Static URLs for Update Servers (list) Settings

|                        |                                                                                                                                                                                            |                                                                                                                                                              |
|------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Update Servers (list): | <p>The URL will be used to obtain the <b>list of available updates</b> for the following services:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Time zone rules</li> </ul>                 |                                                                                                                                                              |
|                        | <input type="radio"/> Cisco IronPort Update Servers                                                                                                                                        |                                                                                                                                                              |
|                        | <input checked="" type="radio"/> Local Update Servers (location of list of available updates file)                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                              |
|                        | Full Url                                                                                                                                                                                   | <input type="text" value="http://update-manifests.ironport.com"/> Port: <input type="text" value="443"/><br><i>http://updates.example.com/my_updates.xml</i> |
|                        |                                                                                                                                                                                            | Authentication (optional):<br>Username: <input type="text"/><br>Password: <input type="text"/><br>Retype Password: <input type="text"/>                      |
|                        | <p>The URL will be used to obtain the <b>list of available updates</b> for the following services:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Cisco IronPort AsyncOS upgrades</li> </ul> |                                                                                                                                                              |
|                        | <input type="radio"/> Cisco IronPort Update Servers                                                                                                                                        |                                                                                                                                                              |
|                        | <input checked="" type="radio"/> Local Update Servers (location of list of available updates file)                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                              |
|                        | Full Url                                                                                                                                                                                   | <input type="text" value="http://update-manifests.ironport.com"/> Port: <input type="text" value="443"/><br><i>http://updates.example.com/my_updates.xml</i> |
|                        |                                                                                                                                                                                            | Authentication (optional):<br>Username: <input type="text"/><br>Password: <input type="text"/><br>Retype Password: <input type="text"/>                      |



Table 84: Static Addresses for Environments with Strict Firewall Policies


| Section                  | Setting                                                             | Static URL/IP Address and Port                                 |
|--------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|
| Update Servers (images): | Base URL (all services except Time zone rules and AsyncOS upgrades) | http://downloads-static.ironport.com<br>204.15.82.8<br>Port 80 |
|                          | Base URL (Time zone rules)                                          | downloads-static.ironport.com<br>204.15.82.8<br>Port 80        |
|                          | Host (AsyncOS upgrades)                                             | updates-static.ironport.com<br>208.90.58.25<br>Port 80         |
| Update Servers (list):   | For updates on physical hardware appliances: Full URL               | update-manifests.ironport.com<br>208.90.58.5<br>Port 443       |
|                          | For updates on virtual appliances: Full URL                         | update-manifests.sco.cisco.com<br>Port 443                     |
|                          | For upgrades: Full URL                                              | update-manifests.ironport.com<br>208.90.58.5<br>Port 443       |

**Important**

You must configure the `update-manifests` URLs and port numbers using the `dynamichost` sub command of the `updateconfig` command in the CLI. This validates the service updates.

## Configuring the Update and Upgrade Settings from the GUI

### Procedure

- Step 1** [New Web Interface Only] On the Security Management appliance, click  to load the legacy web interface.
- Step 2** Choose **Management Appliance > System Administration > Update Settings**.
- Step 3** Click **Edit Update Settings**.  
Use the descriptions in [Upgrade and Update Settings, on page 462](#) to configure the settings in this procedure.
- Step 4** In the **Update Servers (images)** section, specify the servers from which to download images for updates.
- Step 5** Specify the server from which to download images for AsyncOS upgrades:

- a) At the bottom of the same section, click the **Click to use different settings for AsyncOS upgrades** link.
- b) Specify server settings for downloading images for AsyncOS upgrades.

**Step 6** In the **Update Servers (list)** section, specify the servers for obtaining the list of available updates and AsyncOS upgrades.

The top subsection applies to updates. The bottom subsection applies to upgrades.

**Step 7** Specify settings for Time Zone rules and interface.

**Step 8** (Optional) Specify settings for Proxy Servers.

**Step 9** Submit and commit your changes.

**Step 10** Verify that your results are what you expect:

If you are not already looking at the Update Settings page, choose **Management Appliance > System Administration > Update Settings**.

Some URLs may append an “asyncoS” directory to the server URL. You can ignore this discrepancy.

## Upgrade Notifications

By default, users with administrator and technician privileges will see a notification at the top of the web interface when an AsyncOS upgrade is available for the appliance.

| To                                                                                                                            | Do This                                                                                     |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| View more information about the latest upgrade                                                                                | Hover over the upgrade notification.                                                        |
| View a list of all available upgrades                                                                                         | Click the down arrow in the notification.                                                   |
| Dismiss a current notification.<br>The appliance will not display another notification until a new upgrade becomes available. | Click the down arrow, then select <b>Clear the notification</b> , then click <b>Close</b> . |
| Prevent future notifications (Users with Administrator privileges only.)                                                      | Go to <b>Management Appliance &gt; System Administration &gt; System Upgrade</b> .          |

## Before You Upgrade: Important Steps

### Before you begin

See network requirements at [Determining Network Requirements for Upgrades and Updates](#), on page 459.

### Procedure

**Step 1** Take steps to prevent or minimize data loss:

- Make sure the new appliance has sufficient disk capacity and the same or greater size allocations for each data type that will be transferred. See [About Disk Space Maximums and Allocations](#), on page 495.
- If you have received any disk space warnings, resolve any disk space issues before upgrading.

- Step 2** Save the XML configuration file off the appliance. See caveats at [Saving and Exporting the Current Configuration File, on page 487](#).
- If you need to revert to the pre-upgrade release for any reason, you will need this file.
- Step 3** If you are using the Safelist/Blocklist feature, export the list off the appliance.
- Click **Management Appliance > System Administration > Configuration File** and scroll down.
- Step 4** Suspend the listeners using the **suspendlistener** command when running the upgrade from the CLI. If you perform the upgrade from the GUI, listener suspension occurs automatically.
- Step 5** Drain the mail queue and the delivery queue.
- Step 6** Verify that the upgrade settings are configured as you want them. See [Configuring Upgrade and Service Update Settings, on page 462](#).
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## Upgrading AsyncOS

You can download and install in a single operation, or download in the background and install later.



**Note** When downloading and upgrading AsyncOS in a single operation from a local server instead of from a Cisco server, the upgrade installs immediately *while downloading*. A banner displays for 10 seconds at the beginning of the upgrade process. While this banner is displayed, you have the option to type Control-C to exit the upgrade process before downloading starts.


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### Before you begin

- Choose whether you will download upgrades directly from Cisco or will host upgrade images from a server on your network. Then set up your network to support the method you choose. Then configure the appliance to obtain upgrades from your chosen source. See [Choosing an Upgrade Method: Remote vs. Streaming, on page 459](#) and [Configuring Upgrade and Service Update Settings, on page 462](#).
- Before installing the upgrade, follow the instructions in [Before You Upgrade: Important Steps, on page 466](#).

### Procedure

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- Step 1** [New Web Interface Only] On the Security Management appliance, click  to load the legacy web interface.
- Step 2** Choose **Management Appliance > System Administration > System Upgrade**.
- Step 3** Click **Upgrade Options**.
- Step 4** Choose an option:

| To                                                     | Do This                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
|--------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Download and install the upgrade in a single operation | Click <b>Download and Install</b> .<br>If you have already downloaded an installer, you will be prompted to overwrite the existing download.                                                                     |
| Download an upgrade installer                          | Click <b>Download only</b> .<br>If you have already downloaded an installer, you will be prompted to overwrite the existing download.<br>The installer downloads in the background without interrupting service. |
| Install a downloaded upgrade installer                 | Click <b>Install</b> .<br>This option appears only if an installer has been downloaded.<br>The AsyncOS version to be installed is noted below the Install option.                                                |

**Step 5** Unless you are installing a previously-downloaded installer, select an AsyncOS version from the list of available upgrades.

**Step 6** If you are installing:

- a) Choose whether or not to save the current configuration to the configuration directory on the appliance.
- b) Choose whether or not to mask the passphrases in the configuration file.

**Note** You cannot load a configuration file with masked passphrases using the Configuration File page in the GUI or the `loadconfig` command in the CLI.

- c) If you want to email copies of the configuration file, enter the email addresses to which you want to email the file. Use commas to separate multiple email addresses.

**Step 7** Click **Proceed**.

**Step 8** If you are installing:

- a) Be prepared to respond to prompts during the process.

The process pauses until you respond.

A progress bar appears near the top of the page.

- b) At the prompt, click **Reboot Now**.

**Note** Do not interrupt power to the appliance for any reason (even to troubleshoot an upgrade issue) until at least 20 minutes have passed since you rebooted.

- c) After about 10 minutes, access the appliance again and log in.

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### What to do next


- If the process was interrupted, you must start the process again.
- If you downloaded but did not install the upgrade:

When you are ready to install the upgrade, follow these instructions from the beginning, including the prerequisites in the Before You Begin section, but choose the Install option.

- If you installed the upgrade, see [After Upgrading](#) , on page 469.

## Viewing Status of, Canceling, or Deleting a Background Download

### Procedure

- Step 1** [New Web Interface Only] On the Security Management appliance, click  to load the legacy web interface.
- Step 2** Choose **Management Appliance > System Administration > System Upgrade**.
- Step 3** Click **Upgrade Options**.
- Step 4** Choose an option:

| To                            | Do This                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
|-------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| View download status          | Look in the middle of the page.<br><br>If there is no download in progress and no completed download waiting to be installed, you will not see download status information.<br><br>Upgrade status also appears in upgrade_logs. |
| Cancel a download             | Click the <b>Cancel Download</b> button in the middle of the page.<br><br>This option appears only while a download is in progress.                                                                                             |
| Delete a downloaded installer | Click the <b>Delete File</b> button in the middle of the page.<br><br>This option appears only if an installer has been downloaded.                                                                                             |

## After Upgrading

After the upgrade is complete, complete the following:

- (For deployments with associated Email Security appliances) Re-enable the listeners.
- (For deployments with associated Web Security appliances) Configure your system to support the latest Configuration Master. See [Using Configuration Masters to Centrally Manage Web Security Appliances](#) , on page 328.
- Consider saving your configuration. For more information, see [Saving and Importing Configuration Settings](#) , on page 486.
- Before viewing the online help after upgrade, clear your browser cache, exit the browser, then open it again. This clears the browser cache of any outdated content.

## About Reverting to an Earlier Version of AsyncOS

You can revert to an to a previous qualified version of AsyncOS for emergency uses.

You can also revert to the currently running build if you want to clear all data on the appliance and start with a new, clean configuration.

#### Related Topics

- [Important Note About Reversion Impact, on page 470](#)
- [Reverting AsyncOS , on page 470](#)

## Important Note About Reversion Impact

Using the revert command on a Cisco Content Security appliance is a very destructive action. This command permanently destroys all existing configurations and data. In addition, it disrupts mail handling until the appliance is reconfigured.

Reverting does not affect feature key or virtual appliance license expiration dates.

## Reverting AsyncOS

#### Before you begin

- Back up or save any data that you want to preserve to a location off the appliance.
- You must have a configuration file for the version you want to revert to. Configuration files are *not* backwards-compatible.
- Because this command destroys all configuration, it is highly recommended that you have physical local access to the appliance when reverting.
- If quarantines are enabled on your Email Security appliances, disable centralization so that messages are quarantined locally on those appliances.

#### Procedure

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- Step 1** Ensure that you have the configuration file for the version you want to revert to. Configuration files are not backwards-compatible.
- Step 2** Save a backup copy of the current configuration of your appliance (with passphrases unmasked) on another machine. To do this, you can email the file to yourself or FTP the file. A simple way to do this is to run the `mailconfig` CLI command, which emails the current configuration file on your appliance to the specified email address.
- Note** This is not the configuration file you will load after reverting.
- Step 3** If you use the Safelist/Blocklist feature, export the Safelist/Blocklist database to another machine.
- Step 4** Suspend any listeners on your Email Security appliances.
- Step 5** Wait for the mail queue to empty.
- Step 6** Log in to the CLI of the appliance you want to revert.

When you run the `revert` command, several warning prompts are issued. Once these warning prompts are accepted, the revert action takes place immediately. Therefore, do not begin the reversion process until after you have completed the prereversion steps.

**Step 7** From the command-line prompt, type the `revert` command and respond to the prompts.

The following example shows the `revert` command:

**Example:**

```
m650p03.prep> revert
This command will revert the appliance to a previous version of AsyncOS.
WARNING: Reverting the appliance is extremely destructive.
The following data will be destroyed in the process:
- all configuration settings (including listeners)
- all log files
- all databases (including messages in Virus Outbreak and Policy
  quarantines)
- all reporting data (including saved scheduled reports)
- all message tracking data
- all Cisco Spam Quarantine message and end-user safelist/blocklist data
Only the network settings will be preseved.
Before running this command, be sure you have:
- saved the configuration file of this appliance (with passphrases
  unmasked)
- exported the Cisco Spam Quarantine safelist/blocklist database
  to another machine (if applicable)
- waited for the mail queue to empty
Reverting the device causes an immediate reboot to take place.
After rebooting, the appliance reinitializes itself and reboots again to the desired version.
Do you want to continue? yes
Are you sure you want to continue? yes
Available versions
=====
  1. 7.2.0-390
  2. 6.7.6-020
Please select an AsyncOS version: 1
You have selected "7.2.0-390".
Reverting to "testing" preconfigure install mode.
The system will now reboot to perform the revert operation.
```

**Step 8** Wait for the appliance to reboot twice.

**Step 9** Log in to the appliance using the CLI.

**Step 10** Add at least one Web Security appliance and wait a few minutes to allow any URL Category updates to be downloaded from that appliance.

**Step 11** After URL Category updates are completed, load the XML configuration file of the version you are reverting to.

**Step 12** If you use the Safelist/Blocklist feature, import and restore the Safelist/Blocklist database.

**Step 13** Reenable any listeners on your Email Security appliances.

**Step 14** Commit your changes.

The reverted Cisco Content Security appliance should now run using the selected AsyncOS version.

**Note** It may take 15 to 20 minutes before reversion is complete and console access to the Cisco Content Security appliance is available again.

## About Updates

Service updates are periodically made available for download. To specify settings for these downloads, see [Configuring Upgrade and Service Update Settings, on page 462](#)

### Related Topics

- [Configuring Upgrade and Service Update Settings, on page 462](#)

## About URL Category Set Updates for Web Usage Controls

- [Preparing For and Managing URL Category Set Updates , on page 354](#)
- [URL Category Set Updates and Reports , on page 178](#)

## Configuring the Return Address for Generated Messages

You can configure the envelope sender for mail generated by AsyncOS for the following types of cases:

- Bounce messages
- Reports

You can specify the display, user, and domain names of the return address. You can also choose to use the Virtual Gateway domain for the domain name.

Use the Return Addresses page available on the System Administration menu in the GUI, or use the **addressconfig** command in the CLI.

To modify the return address for system-generated email messages in the GUI, click **Edit Settings** on the Return Addresses page. Make changes to the address or addresses you want to modify, click **Submit**, and commit your changes.

## Managing Alerts

The appliance sends you email alerts about events occurring on the appliance.

| To                                                                    | Do This                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Have different types of alerts sent to different administrative users | <p>Select <b>Management Appliance &gt; System Administration &gt; Alerts</b></p> <p>If you enabled AutoSupport during system setup, the email address that you specified will receive alerts for all severities and classes by default. You can change the configuration at any time.</p> <p>Separate multiple addresses with commas.</p> |



| To                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Do This                                                                                                                                                                                      |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Configure global settings for alerts, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Alert sender (FROM:) address</li> <li>• Controls for duplicate alerts</li> <li>• AutoSupport settings.</li> </ul> | Select <b>Management Appliance &gt; System Administration &gt; Alerts</b><br>See <a href="#">About Duplicate Alerts</a> , on page 474<br>See <a href="#">Cisco AutoSupport</a> , on page 474 |
| View a list of recent alerts<br>Manage settings for this list                                                                                                                                               | See <a href="#">Viewing Recent Alerts</a> , on page 474                                                                                                                                      |
| See a list of alerts and their descriptions                                                                                                                                                                 | See:<br><a href="#">Hardware Alert Descriptions</a> , on page 475.<br><a href="#">System Alert Descriptions</a> , on page 475                                                                |
| Understand alert delivery mechanisms                                                                                                                                                                        | See <a href="#">Alert Delivery</a> , on page 473                                                                                                                                             |

## Alert Types and Severities

Alert types include:

- Hardware alerts. See [Hardware Alert Descriptions](#) , on page 475.
- System alerts. See [System Alert Descriptions](#) , on page 475.
- Updater alerts.

Alerts can have the following severities:

- Critical: issue that requires immediate attention
- Warning: problem or error requiring further monitoring and potentially immediate attention
- Info: information generated in the routine functioning of this device

## Alert Delivery

Because alert messages can be used to inform you of problems within your Cisco Content Security appliance, they are not sent using AsyncOS's normal mail delivery system. Instead, alert messages pass through a separate and parallel email system designed to operate even in the face of significant system failure in AsyncOS.

The alert mail system does not share the same configuration as AsyncOS, which means that alert messages may behave slightly differently from other mail delivery:

- Alert messages are delivered using standard DNS MX and A record lookups.
  - They do cache the DNS entries for 30 minutes and the cache is refreshed every 30 minutes, so in case of DNS failure the alerts still go out.
- If your deployment includes Email Security appliances:
  - Alert messages do not pass through the work queue, so they are not scanned for viruses or spam. They are also not subjected to message filters or content filters.
  - Alert messages do not pass through the delivery queue, so they will not be affected by bounce profiles or destination control limits.

## Viewing Recent Alerts

| To                                                        | Do This                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| View a list of recent alerts                              | Users with administrator and operator access can choose <b>Management Appliance &gt; System Administration &gt; Alerts</b> and click the <b>View Top Alerts</b> button.<br>Alerts appear even if there was a problem emailing them. |
| Sort the list                                             | Click a column heading.                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Specify the maximum number of alerts to save in this list | Use the <code>alertconfig</code> command in the command-line interface                                                                                                                                                              |
| Disable this feature                                      | Use the <code>alertconfig</code> command in the command-line interface to set the maximum number of alerts to zero (0).                                                                                                             |

## About Duplicate Alerts

You can specify the initial number of seconds to wait before AsyncOS will send a duplicate alert. If you set this value to 0, duplicate alert summaries are not sent; instead, all duplicate alerts are sent without any delay (this can lead to a large amount of email over a short amount of time). The number of seconds to wait between sending duplicate alerts (alert interval) is increased after each alert is sent. The increase is the number of seconds to wait plus twice the last interval. So a 5-second wait would have alerts sent at 5 seconds, 15 seconds, 35 seconds, 75 seconds, 155 seconds, 315 seconds, and so on.

Eventually, the interval could become large. You can set a cap on the number of seconds to wait between intervals via the maximum number of seconds to wait before sending a duplicate alert field. For example, if you set the initial value to 5 seconds, and the maximum value to 60 seconds, alerts would be sent at 5 seconds, 15 seconds, 35 seconds, 60 seconds, 120 seconds, and so on.

## Cisco AutoSupport

To allow Cisco to better support and design future system changes, the Cisco Content Security appliance can be configured to send Cisco a copy of all alert messages generated by the system. This feature, called 'AutoSupport', is a useful way to allow Customer Support to be proactive in supporting your needs. AutoSupport also sends weekly reports noting the uptime of the system, the output of the `status` command, and the AsyncOS version used.

By default, alert recipients set to receive Information severity level alerts for System alert types receive a copy of every message sent to Cisco. This can be disabled if you do not want to send the weekly alert messages internally. To enable or disable this feature, select **Management Appliance > System Administration Alerts** and click edit settings.

By default, if AutoSupport is enabled, the weekly AutoSupport report is sent to alert recipients set to receive system alerts at the Information level.

## Hardware Alert Descriptions

*Table 85: Hardware Alert Descriptions*

| Alert Name                            | Description                                                                        | Severity    |
|---------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| INTERFACE.ERRORS                      | Sent when interface errors are detected.                                           | Warning     |
| MAIL.MEASUREMENTS_FILESYSTEM          | Sent when a disk partition is nearing capacity (75%).                              | Warning     |
| MAIL.MEASUREMENTS_FILESYSTEM.CRITICAL | Sent when a disk partition reaches 90% capacity (and at 95%, 96%, 97%, and so on). | Critical    |
| SYSTEM.RAID_EVENT_ALERT               | Sent when a critical RAID-event occurs.                                            | Warning     |
| SYSTEM.RAID_EVENT_ALERT_INFO          | Sent when a RAID-event occurs.                                                     | Information |

## System Alert Descriptions

*Table 86: System Alert Descriptions*

| Alert Name                      | Description                                                        | Severity |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| COMMON.APP_FAILURE              | Sent when there is an unknown application failure.                 | Critical |
| COMMON.KEY_EXPIRED_ALERT        | Sent when a feature key has expired.                               | Warning  |
| COMMON.KEY_EXPIRING_ALERT       | Sent when a feature key is about to expire.                        | Warning  |
| COMMON.KEY_FINAL_EXPIRING_ALERT | Sent as a final notice that a feature key is about to expire.      | Warning  |
| DNS.BOOTSTRAP_FAILED            | Sent when the appliance is unable to contact the root DNS servers. | Warning  |
| COMMON.INVALID_FILTER           | Sent when an invalid filter is encountered.                        | Warning  |

| Alert Name                                                                                                            | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Severity |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| IPBLOCKD.HOST_ADDED_TO_ALLOWED LIST<br>IPBLOCKD.HOST_ADDED_TO_BLOCKED LIST<br>IPBLOCKD.HOST_REMOVED_FROM_BLOCKED LIST | <p>Alert messages:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The host at &lt;IP address&gt; has been added to the blocked list because of an SSH DOS attack.</li> <li>• The host at &lt;IP address&gt; has been permanently added to the ssh allowed list.</li> <li>• The host at &lt;IP address&gt; has been removed from the blocked list.</li> </ul> <p>IP addresses that try to connect to the appliance over SSH but do not provide valid credentials are added to the SSH blocked list if more than 10 failed attempts occur within two minutes.</p> <p>When a user logs in successfully from the same IP address, that IP address is added to the allowed list.</p> <p>Addresses on the allowed list are allowed access even if they are also on the blocked list.</p> | Warning  |
| LDAP.GROUP_QUERY_FAILED_ALERT                                                                                         | Sent when an LDAP group query fails.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | Critical |
| LDAP.HARD_ERROR                                                                                                       | Sent when an LDAP query fails completely (after trying all servers).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | Critical |
| LOG.ERROR.*                                                                                                           | Various logging errors.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Critical |
| MAIL.PERRCPT.LDAP_GROUP_QUERY_FAILED                                                                                  | Sent when an LDAP group query fails during per-recipient scanning.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Critical |
| MAIL.QUEUE.ERROR.*                                                                                                    | Various mail queue hard errors.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Critical |
| MAIL.RES_CON_START_ALERT.MEMORY                                                                                       | Sent when RAM utilization has exceeded the system resource conservation threshold.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Critical |
| MAIL.RES_CON_START_ALERT.QUEUE_SLOW                                                                                   | Sent when the mail queue is overloaded and system resource conservation is enabled.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | Critical |

| Alert Name                                        | Description                                                                                                                                                       | Severity    |
|---------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| MAIL.RES_CON_START_ALERT.QUEUE                    | Sent when queue utilization has exceeded the system resource conservation threshold.                                                                              | Critical    |
| MAIL.RES_CON_START_ALERT.WORKQ                    | Sent when listeners are suspended because the work queue size is too big.                                                                                         | Critical    |
| MAIL.RES_CON_START_ALERT                          | Sent when the appliance enters “resource conservation” mode.                                                                                                      | Critical    |
| MAIL.RES_CON_STOP_ALERT                           | Sent when the appliance leaves “resource conservation” mode.                                                                                                      | Critical    |
| MAIL.WORK_QUEUE_PAUSED_NATURAL                    | Sent when the work queue is paused.                                                                                                                               | Critical    |
| MAIL.WORK_QUEUE_UNPAUSED_NATURAL                  | Sent when the work queue is resumed.                                                                                                                              | Critical    |
| NTP.NOT_ROOT                                      | Sent when the appliance is unable to adjust time because NTP is not running as root.                                                                              | Warning     |
| PERIODIC_REPORTS.DOMAIN_REPORT.DOMAIN_FILE_ERRORS | Sent when errors are found in the domain specification file.                                                                                                      | Critical    |
| PERIODIC_REPORTS.DOMAIN_REPORT.FILE_EMPTY         | Sent when the domain specification file is empty.                                                                                                                 | Critical    |
| PERIODIC_REPORTS.DOMAIN_REPORT.FILE_MISSING       | Sent when the domain specification file is not found.                                                                                                             | Critical    |
| REPORTD.DATABASE_OPEN_FAILED_ALERT                | Sent if the reporting engine is unable to open the database.                                                                                                      | Critical    |
| REPORTD.AGGREGATION_DISABLED_ALERT                | Sent if the system runs out of disk space. When the disk usage for a log entry exceeds the log usage threshold, reportd disables aggregation and sends the alert. | Warning     |
| REPORTING.CLIENT.UPDATE_FAILED_ALERT              | Sent if the reporting engine was unable to save reporting data.                                                                                                   | Warning     |
| REPORTING.CLIENT.JOURNAL.FULL                     | Sent if the reporting engine is unable to store new data.                                                                                                         | Critical    |
| REPORTING.CLIENT.JOURNAL.FREE                     | Sent when the reporting engine is again able to store new data.                                                                                                   | Information |

| Alert Name                                             | Description                                                                                       | Severity    |
|--------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| PERIODIC_REPORTS.REPORT_TASK.<br>BUILD_FAILURE_ALERT   | Sent when the reporting engine is unable to build a report.                                       | Critical    |
| PERIODIC_REPORTS.REPORT_TASK.<br>EMAIL_FAILURE_ALERT   | Sent when a report could not be emailed.                                                          | Critical    |
| PERIODIC_REPORTS.REPORT_TASK.<br>ARCHIVE_FAILURE_ALERT | Sent when a report could not be archived.                                                         | Critical    |
| SENDERBASE.ERROR                                       | Sent when an error occurred while processing a response from SenderBase.                          | Information |
| SMAD.ICCM.ALERT_PUSH_FAILED                            | Sent if a configuration push failed for one or more hosts.                                        | Warning     |
| SMAD.TRANSFER.TRANSFERS_STALLED                        | Sent if SMA logs are unable to fetch tracking data for two hours or reporting data for six hours. | Warning     |
| SMTPAUTH.FWD_SERVER_FAILED_ALERT                       | Sent when the SMTP Authentication forwarding server is unreachable.                               | Warning     |
| SMTPAUTH.LDAP_QUERY_FAILED                             | Sent when an LDAP query fails.                                                                    | Warning     |
| SYSTEM.HERMES_SHUTDOWN_FAILURE.<br>REBOOT              | Sent when there was a problem shutting down the system on reboot.                                 | Warning     |
| SYSTEM.HERMES_SHUTDOWN_FAILURE.<br>SHUTDOWN            | Sent when there was a problem shutting down the system.                                           | Warning     |
| SYSTEM.RCPTVALIDATION.UPDATE_FAILED                    | Sent when a recipient validation update failed.                                                   | Critical    |
| SYSTEM.SERVICE_TUNNEL.DISABLED                         | Sent when a tunnel created for Cisco Support Services is disabled.                                | Information |
| SYSTEM.SERVICE_TUNNEL.ENABLED                          | Sent when a tunnel created for Cisco Support Services is enabled.                                 | Information |

## Changing Network Settings

This section describes the features used to configure the network operation of the appliance. These features give you direct access to the hostname, DNS, and routing settings that you configured using the System Setup Wizard in [Running the System Setup Wizard, on page 16](#).

The following features are described:

- `sethostname`
- DNS configuration (in the GUI and by using the `dnsconfig` command in the CLI)
- Routing configuration (in the GUI and by using the `routeconfig` and `setgateway` commands in the CLI)
- `dnsflush`
- Passphrase

## Changing the System Hostname

The hostname is used to identify the system at the CLI prompt. You must enter a fully qualified hostname. The `sethostname` command sets the name of the content security appliance. The new hostname does not take effect until you issue the commit command.

### The `sethostname` Command

```
oldname.example.com> sethostname  
[oldname.example.com]> mail3.example.com  
oldname.example.com>
```

For the hostname change to take effect, you must enter the commit command. After you have successfully committed the hostname change, the new name appears in the CLI prompt:

```
oldname.example.com> commit  
Please enter some comments describing your changes:  
[]> Changed System Hostname  
Changes committed: Mon Jan 04 12:00:01 2010
```

The new hostname appears in the prompt as follows: `mail3.example.com>`

## Configuring Domain Name System Settings

You can configure the Domain Name System (DNS) settings for your content security appliance through the Management Appliance > Network > DNS page in the GUI, or via the `dnsconfig` command.

You can configure the following settings:

- Whether to use the Internet's DNS servers or your own, and which server(s) to use
- Which interface to use for DNS traffic
- The number of seconds to wait before timing out a reverse DNS lookup
- Clearing the DNS cache

### Specifying DNS Servers

AsyncOS can use the Internet root DNS servers, your own DNS servers, or the Internet root DNS servers and authoritative DNS servers that you specify. When using the Internet root servers, you may specify alternate servers to use for specific domains. Because an alternate DNS server applies to a single domain, it must be authoritative (provide definitive DNS records) for that domain.

AsyncOS supports “splitting” DNS servers when not using the Internet’s DNS servers. If you are using your own internal server, you can also specify exception domains and associated DNS servers.

When setting up “split DNS,” you should set up the in-addr.arpa (PTR) entries as well. For example, if you want to redirect “.eng” queries to the nameserver 1.2.3.4 and all the .eng entries are in the 172.16 network, then you should specify “eng,16.172.in-addr.arpa” as the domains in the split DNS configuration.

## Multiple Entries and Priority

For each DNS server that you enter, you can specify a numeric priority. AsyncOS attempts to use the DNS server with the priority closest to 0. If that DNS server is not responding, AsyncOS attempts to use the server at the next priority. If you specify multiple entries for DNS servers with the same priority, the system randomizes the list of DNS servers at that priority every time it performs a query. The system then waits a short amount of time for the first query to expire or “time out” and then a slightly longer amount of time for the second, and so on. The amount of time depends on the exact total number of DNS servers and priorities that have been configured. The timeout length is the same for all IP addresses at any particular priority. The first priority gets the shortest timeout; each subsequent priority gets a longer timeout. Further, the timeout period is roughly 60 seconds. If you have one priority, the timeout for each server at that priority is 60 seconds. If you have two priorities, the timeout for each server at the first priority is 15 seconds, and each server at the second priority is 45 seconds. For three priorities, the timeouts are 5, 10, 45.

For example, suppose you configure four DNS servers, with two of them at priority 0, one at priority 1, and one at priority 2:

**Table 87: Example of DNS Servers, Priorities, and Timeout Intervals**

| Priority | Server(s)        | Timeout (Seconds) |
|----------|------------------|-------------------|
| 0        | 1.2.3.4, 1.2.3.5 | 5, 5              |
| 1        | 1.2.3.6          | 10                |
| 2        | 1.2.3.7          | 45                |

AsyncOS randomly chooses between the two servers at priority 0. If one of the priority 0 servers is down, the other is used. If both of the priority 0 servers are down, the priority 1 server (1.2.3.6) is used, and then, finally, the priority 2 (1.2.3.7) server.

The timeout period is the same for both priority 0 servers, longer for the priority 1 server, and longer still for the priority 2 server.

## Using the Internet Root Servers

The AsyncOS DNS resolver is designed to accommodate the large number of simultaneous DNS connections required for high-performance email delivery.




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**Note** If you choose to set the default DNS server to something other than the Internet root servers, that server must be able to recursively resolve queries for domains for which it is not an authoritative server.

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## Reverse DNS Lookup Timeout

The Cisco Content Security appliance attempts to perform a “double DNS lookup” on all remote hosts connecting to a listener for the purposes of sending or receiving email. That is, the system acquires and verifies the validity of the remote host's IP address by performing a double DNS lookup. This consists of a reverse DNS (PTR) lookup on the IP address of the connecting host, followed by a forward DNS (A) lookup on the results of the PTR lookup. The system then checks that the results of the A lookup match the results of the PTR lookup. If the results do not match, or if an A record does not exist, the system uses only the IP address to match entries in the Host Access Table (HAT). This particular timeout period applies only to this lookup and is not related to the general DNS timeout discussed in [Multiple Entries and Priority, on page 480](#).

The default value is 20 seconds. You can disable the reverse DNS lookup timeout globally across all listeners by entering ‘0’ as the number of seconds. If the value is set to 0 seconds, the reverse DNS lookup is not attempted, and instead the standard timeout response is returned immediately.

## DNS Alert

Occasionally, an alert may be generated with the message “Failed to bootstrap the DNS cache” when an appliance is rebooted. The message means that the system was unable to contact its primary DNS servers, which can happen at boot time if the DNS subsystem comes online before network connectivity is established. If this message appears at other times, it could indicate network issues or that the DNS configuration is not pointing to a valid server.


## Clearing the DNS Cache

The **Clear Cache** button from the GUI, or the `dnsflush` command (for more information about the `dnsflush` command, see the IronPort AsyncOS CLI Reference Guide, available from the location specified in [Documentation , on page 577](#)), clears all information in the DNS cache. You may choose to use this feature when changes have been made to your local DNS system. The command takes place immediately and may cause a temporary performance degradation while the cache is repopulated.

## Configuring DNS Settings via the Graphical User Interface

### Procedure

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- Step 1** [New Web Interface Only] On the Security Management appliance, click  to load the legacy web interface.
  - Step 2** Choose **Management Appliance > Network > DNS** page and click the **Edit Settings** button.
  - Step 3** Select whether to use the Internet's root DNS servers or your own internal DNS server(s), and specify authoritative DNS servers.
  - Step 4** If you want to use your own DNS server(s) or specify authoritative DNS servers, enter the server ID and click **Add Row**. Repeat this for each server. When entering your own DNS servers, specify a priority as well. For more information, see [Specifying DNS Servers, on page 479](#).
  - Step 5** Choose an interface for DNS traffic.
  - Step 6** Enter the number of seconds to wait before canceling a reverse DNS lookup.
  - Step 7** Optionally, clear the DNS cache by clicking **Clear Cache**.
  - Step 8** Submit and commit your changes.
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## Configuring TCP/IP Traffic Routes

Some network environments require the use of traffic routes other than the standard default gateway. You can manage static routes in the GUI through the **Management Appliance > Network > Routing** page, or in the CLI by using the `routeconfig` command.


- [Managing Static Routes in the GUI, on page 482](#)
- [Modifying the Default Gateway \(GUI\), on page 482](#)

### Managing Static Routes in the GUI

You can create, edit, or delete static routes by using the Management Appliance > Network > Routing page. You can also modify the default gateway from this page.

#### Procedure

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- Step 1** [New Web Interface Only] On the Security Management appliance, click  to load the legacy web interface.
  - Step 2** On the **Management Appliance > Network > Routing** page, click **Add Route** in the route listing. The Enter a name for the route.
  - Step 3** Enter the destination IP address.
  - Step 4** Enter the gateway IP address.
  - Step 5** Submit and commit your changes.
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### Modifying the Default Gateway (GUI)

#### Procedure

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- Step 1** Click Default Route in the route listing on the Routing page.
  - Step 2** Change the gateway IP address.
  - Step 3** Submit and commit your changes.
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## Configuring the Default Gateway

You can configure the default gateway via the GUI through the Management Appliance > Network > Routing page (see [Modifying the Default Gateway \(GUI\), on page 482](#)) or via the `setgateway` command in the CLI.

## Specifying a Secure Communication Protocol

- If you plan to upgrade from a lower AsyncOS version (for example, 13.6.x) with TLSv1.0 enabled, to AsyncOS 13.8.x and later, then TLSv1.0 is disabled and TLSv1.1 and TLSv1.2 are enabled by default. You need to enable TLSv1.0 method on your appliance after upgrade.

- From AsyncOS 13.8.x and later, there is no support for SSLv2 and SSLv3 methods.
- It is recommended to use TLSv1.1 and TLSv1.2 methods instead of SSLv3 and TLSv1.0. SSLv3 is not secure and you should not use it.
- You can choose the communication protocol to be used for each of the following:
  - Updater server
  - Web-based administrative interface to the appliance
  - LDAPS




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**Note** By default, Update Servers, Web Interface, and LDAP servers use TLSv1.1 and TLSv1.2 methods on a newly installed appliance. SSLv3 is disabled for the end-user access to the spam quarantine.

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- To view the currently selected protocols and available options, or to change protocols, use the `sslconfig` command in the command-line interface.
- Cisco update servers do not support SSLv3.
- If you are using a local (remote) update server, and for all other services and web browsers, the protocol you choose must be supported by and enabled on the server and tools you are using.
- One of the available options must be enabled for each service you use.
- Changes made using the `sslconfig` command require a Commit.
- Affected services will be briefly interrupted after you commit changes made using the `sslconfig` command.

## Configuring the System Time




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**Note** When gathering data for reports, the Security Management appliance applies the time stamp from the information that was set when you configured the time settings on the Security Management appliance. For information, see [How the Security Management Appliance Gathers Data for Reports, on page 24](#).

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To set time-related settings using the command-line interface, use the `ntpconfig`, `settime`, and `settz` commands.

| To                  | Do This                                                                                                                                                              |
|---------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Set the system time | <b>Select Management Appliance &gt; System Administration &gt; Time Settings</b><br>See also <a href="#">Using a Network Time Protocol (NTP) Server, on page 484</a> |

| To                | Do This                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
|-------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Set the time zone | Select <b>Management Appliance &gt; System Administration &gt; Time Zone</b><br><br>See also: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Selecting a GMT Offset, on page 485</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Updating Time Zone Files, on page 485</a></li> </ul> |

## Using a Network Time Protocol (NTP) Server

You can use a Network Time Protocol (NTP) server to synchronize the Security Management appliance system clock with other computers on your network or the internet.

The default NTP server is `time.sco.cisco.com`.

If you will use an external NTP server, including the default NTP server, open the required port through the firewall. See [Firewall Information, on page 569](#)

### Related Topics

- [Configuring the System Time, on page 483](#)
- [Manually Updating Time Zone Files, on page 485](#)

## (Recommended) Setting Appliance System Time Using the Network Time Protocol (NTP)

This is the recommended time keeping method, especially if your appliance is integrated with other devices. All integrated devices should use the same NTP server.

You can use the `ntpconfig` command in the CLI to setup the time using the NTP server.


### Procedure

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- Step 1** Go to the **System Administration > Time Settings** page.
  - Step 2** Click **Edit Settings**.
  - Step 3** In the Time Keeping Method section, select **Use Network Time Protocol**.
  - Step 4** Enter an NTP server address and click **Add Row**. You can add multiple NTP servers.
  - Step 5** To delete an NTP server from the list, click the trash can icon for that server.
  - Step 6** Select an interface for NTP queries. This is the IP address from which NTP queries should originate.
  - Step 7** Select the **Use NTP Authentication** check box to ensure that a timestamp is generated by a trusted source, protecting NTP from malicious activity or interception.
  - Step 8** Submit and commit your changes.
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## Selecting a GMT Offset

### Procedure

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- Step 1** [New Web Interface Only] On the Security Management appliance, click  to load the legacy web interface.
- Step 2** Choose **Management Appliance > System Administration > Time Zone**.
- Step 3** Click **Edit Settings**.
- Step 4** Select GMT Offset from the list of regions. The Time Zone Setting page is updated to include GMT offsets in the Time Zone field.
- Step 5** Select an offset in the Time Zone field. The offset refers to the number of hours that you add or subtract to or from Greenwich Mean Time (GMT) — the local time at the prime meridian. Hours preceded by a minus sign (“-”) are west of the prime meridian. A plus sign (“+”) indicates locations east of the prime meridian.
- Step 6** Submit and commit your changes.
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## Updating Time Zone Files


Whenever there is a change in the time zone rules for any country, Time Zone files on the appliance must be updated.

- [Automatically Updating Time Zone Files](#) , on page 485
- [Manually Updating Time Zone Files](#) , on page 485

## Automatically Updating Time Zone Files

### Procedure


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- Step 1** [New Web Interface Only] On the Security Management appliance, click  to load the legacy web interface.
- Step 2** Choose **Management Appliance > System Administration > Update Settings**.
- Step 3** Select the **Enable automatic updates for Time zone rules** check box.
- Step 4** Enter an interval. Click the ? help on the page for important information.
- Step 5** Submit and commit your changes.
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## Manually Updating Time Zone Files

### Procedure

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- Step 1** [New Web Interface Only] On the Security Management appliance, click  to load the legacy web interface.
- Step 2** Choose **Management Appliance > System Administration > Time Settings**.
- Step 3** Look at the **Time Zone File Updates** section.

**Step 4** If there is an available time zone file update, click **Update Now**.

## Configuration File Page

| For Information About This Section                     | See                                                                           |
|--------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Saving the current configuration                       | <a href="#">Saving and Importing Configuration Settings</a> , on page 486     |
| Loading a saved configuration                          | <a href="#">Saving and Importing Configuration Settings</a> , on page 486     |
| End-User Safelist/Blocklist Database (Spam Quarantine) | <a href="#">Backing Up and Restoring the Safelist/Blocklist</a> , on page 284 |
| Reset Configuration                                    | <a href="#">Resetting the Configuration to Factory Defaults</a> , on page 445 |

## Saving and Importing Configuration Settings



**Note** The configuration file described in this section is used to configure Security Management appliances.

Most configuration settings for the Security Management appliance can be managed in a single configuration file. The file is maintained in Extensible Markup Language (XML) format.

You can use this file in several ways:

- In case of unexpected disaster to your primary Security Management appliance, you can quickly configure a second Security Management appliance to restore service.
- You can save the configuration file to a different system to back up and preserve crucial configuration data. If you make a mistake while configuring your appliance, you can “roll back” to the most recently saved configuration file.
- You can download the existing configuration file to view the entire configuration for an appliance quickly. (Many newer browsers include the ability to render XML files directly.) This may help you troubleshoot minor errors (like typographic errors) that may exist in the current configuration.
- You can download an existing configuration file, make changes to it, and upload it to the same appliance. This, in effect, “bypasses” both the CLI and the GUI for making configuration changes.
- You can upload an entire configuration file through FTP, or you can paste portions of a configuration file directly into the CLI.
- Because the file is in XML format, an associated document type definition (DTD) that describes all of the XML entities in the configuration file is also provided. You can download the DTD to validate an XML configuration file before uploading it. (XML validation tools are readily available on the Internet.)
- You can use the configuration file to speed configuration of another appliance, for example a cloned virtual appliance.

## Managing Configuration Files

- [Backing Up and Restoring the Safelist/Blocklist](#) , on page 284
- [Resetting the Configuration to Factory Defaults](#), on page 445
- [Rolling Back to a Previously Committed Configuration](#) , on page 489

### Saving and Exporting the Current Configuration File

Using the Current Configuration section of the **Management Appliance > System Administration > Configuration File** page, you can save the current configuration file to your local machine, save it on the appliance (placed in the configuration directory in the FTP/SCP root), or email it to the address specified.

#### Masking the passphrase

Optionally, mask the user's passphrases by selecting the check box. Masking a passphrase causes the original, encrypted passphrase to be replaced with “\*\*\*\*\*” in the exported or saved file.



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**Note** Configuration files with masked passphrases cannot be loaded back into AsyncOS.

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#### Encrypting the passphrase

You can encrypt the user's passphrases by clicking the Encrypt passphrases in the Configuration Files checkbox. The following are the critical security parameters in the configuration file that will be encrypted.

- Certificate private keys
- RADIUS passwords
- LDAP bind passwords
- Local users' password hashes
- SNMP password
- Outgoing SMTP authentication passwords
- PostX encryption keys
- PostX encryption proxy password
- FTP Push log subscriptions' passwords
- IPMI LAN password
- Updater server URLs

You can also configure this in the command-line interface using the `saveconfig` command.

### Loading a Configuration File

The configuration file must have been saved from an appliance running the same AsyncOS version as the appliance on which you will load the configuration.

Configuration files with masked passphrases cannot be loaded.

Regardless of the method, you must include the following tags at the top of your configuration:

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="ISO-8859-1"?>
<!DOCTYPE config SYSTEM "config.dtd">
<config>
  ... your configuration information in valid XML
</config>
```

The closing `</config>` tag should follow your configuration information. The values in XML syntax are parsed and validated against the DTD located in the configuration directory on your Cisco Content Security appliance. The DTD file is named `config.dtd`. If validation errors are reported at the command line when you use the `loadconfig` command, the changes are not loaded. You can download the DTD to validate configuration files outside of the appliance before uploading them.

In any import method, you can import an entire configuration file (the information defined between the highest level tags: `<config></config>`), or a *complete* and *unique* subsection of the configuration file, as long as it contains the declaration tags (above) and is contained within the `<config></config>` tags.

“Complete” means that the entire start and end tags for a given subsection as defined by the DTD are included. For example, uploading or pasting the following code causes validation errors:

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="ISO-8859-1"?>
<!DOCTYPE config SYSTEM "config.dtd">
<config>
  <autosupport_enabled>0</autosu
</config>
```

However, uploading or pasting the following code does not cause validation errors:

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="ISO-8859-1"?>
<!DOCTYPE config SYSTEM "config.dtd">
<config>
  <autosupport_enabled>0</autosupport_enabled>
</config>
```

“Unique” means that the subsection of the configuration file being uploaded or pasted is not ambiguous for the configuration. For example, a system can have only one hostname, so uploading the following code (including the declarations and `<config></config>` tags) is allowed:

```
<hostname>mail4.example.com</hostname>
```

However, a system can have multiple listeners defined, each with different Recipient Access Tables defined, so uploading only the following code is considered ambiguous:

```
<rat>
  <rat_entry>
    <rat_address>ALL</rat_address>
    <access>RELAY</access>
  </rat_entry>
</rat>
```

Because it is ambiguous, it is not allowed, even though it is “complete” syntax.



### Caution

When uploading or pasting a configuration file or subsections of a configuration file, you have the potential to erase uncommitted changes that may be pending.



## Empty Versus Omitted Tags

Use caution when uploading or pasting sections of configuration files. If you do not include a tag, then its value in the configuration is not modified when you load a configuration file. However, if you include an empty tag, then its configuration setting is cleared.

For example, uploading the following code removes all listeners from the system:

```
<listeners></listeners>
```



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**Caution**

When uploading or pasting subsections of a configuration file, you can disconnect yourself from the GUI or CLI and destroy large amounts of configuration data. Do not disable services with this command if you are not able to reconnect to the appliance using another protocol, the Serial interface, or the default settings on the Management port. Also, do not use this command if you are unsure of the exact configuration syntax as defined by the DTD. Always back up the configuration data before loading a new configuration file.

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### Note About Loading Passphrases for Log Subscriptions

If you attempt to load a configuration file that contains a log subscription that requires a passphrase (for example, one that will use FTP push), the `loadconfig` command does not warn you about the missing passphrase. The FTP push fails and alerts are generated until you configure the correct passphrase using the `logconfig` command.

### Note About Character Set Encoding

The “encoding” attribute of the XML configuration file must be “ISO-8859-1” regardless of the character set you may be using to manipulate the file offline. The encoding attribute is specified in the file whenever you issue the `showconfig`, `saveconfig`, or `mailconfig` command:

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="ISO-8859-1"?>
```

## Resetting the Current Configuration

Resetting the current configuration causes your Cisco Content Security appliance to revert settings back to the original factory defaults. Save your configuration prior to resetting it.

See [Resetting the Configuration to Factory Defaults, on page 445](#).

## Rolling Back to a Previously Committed Configuration

You can roll back the configuration to a previously-committed configuration.

Use the `rollbackconfig` command in the command-line interface to choose one of the ten most recent commits.

If you enter No when prompted to commit a rollback, the rollback will be committed the next time you commit changes.

Only users with Administrator access can use the `rollbackconfig` command.



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**Note**

No log messages or alerts will be generated when a previous configuration is restored.

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**Note** Certain commits, such as re-allocating disk space to a size insufficient to hold existing data, could result in data loss.

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## CLI Commands for Configuration Files

The following commands enable you to manipulate the configuration files:

- `showconfig`
- `mailconfig`
- `saveconfig`
- `loadconfig`
- `rollbackconfig`
- `resetconfig` (see [Resetting the Configuration to Factory Defaults, on page 445](#) )
- `publishconfig`
- `backupconfig` (see [Backing Up Security Management Appliance Data , on page 450](#) )
- `trailblazerconfig`

### The `showconfig`, `mailconfig`, and `saveconfig` Commands

For the configuration commands `showconfig`, `mailconfig`, and `saveconfig`, you are prompted to choose whether to include passphrases in the file that will be mailed or displayed. Choosing not to include passphrases leaves any passphrase field blank. You can choose not to include passphrases if you are concerned about security breaches. However, configuration files without passphrases fail when loaded using the `loadconfig` command. See [Note About Loading Passphrases for Log Subscriptions, on page 489](#).




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**Note** When saving, showing, or mailing your configuration file if you choose to include passphrases (answer yes to “Do you want to include passphrases?”), the passphrases are encrypted. However, the private keys and certificates are included in unencrypted PEM format.

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The `showconfig` command prints the current configuration to the screen.

```
mail3.example.com> showconfig
Do you want to include passphrases? Please be aware that a configuration without
passphrases will fail when reloaded with loadconfig.
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="ISO-8859-1"?>
<!DOCTYPE config SYSTEM "config.dtd">
<!--
  Product: model number
Messaging Gateway Appliance(tm)
  Model Number: model number
  Version: version of AsyncOS installed
  Serial Number: serial number
  Current Time: current time and date
[The remainder of the configuration file is printed to the screen.]
```

Use the `mailconfig` command to email the current configuration to a user. A configuration file in XML format named `config.xml` will be attached to the message.

```
mail3.example.com> mailconfig
Please enter the email address to which you want to send
the configuration file.
[ ]> administrator@example.com
Do you want to include passphrases? Please be aware that a configuration
without passphrases will fail when reloaded with loadconfig. [N]> y
The configuration file has been sent to administrator@example.com.
```

The `saveconfig` command on the Security Management appliance stores and saves all of the configuration master files (ESA) with a unique filename to the configuration directory.

```
mail3.example.com> saveconfig
Do you want to include passphrases? Please be aware that a configuration without passphrases
will fail when reloaded with loadconfig. [N]> y
The file C650-00065B8FCEAB-31PM121-20030630T130433.xml has been saved in the configuration
directory.
mail3.example.com>
```

## The loadconfig Command

Use the `loadconfig` command to load new configuration information into the appliance. You can load information using one of two methods:

- Placing information in the configuration directory and uploading it
- Pasting configuration information directly into the CLI

See [Loading a Configuration File, on page 487](#) for more information.

## The rollbackconfig Command

See [Rolling Back to a Previously Committed Configuration , on page 489](#).

## The publishconfig Command

Use the `publishconfig` command to publish changes a configuration master. The syntax is as follows:

```
publishconfig config_master [job_name ] [host_list | host_ip
```

where *config\_master* is a supported Configuration Master, as listed in the Compatibility Matrix in the Release Notes for this release at [http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/ps10155/prod\\_release\\_notes\\_list.html](http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/ps10155/prod_release_notes_list.html) . This keyword is required. The keyword *job\_name* is optional and will be generated if it is not specified.

The keyword *host\_list* is a list of host names or IP addresses for WSA appliances to be published, and will be published to all hosts assigned to the configuration master if not specified. The optional *host\_ip* can be multiple host IP addresses, each separated by a comma.

To verify that the `publishconfig` command was successful, check the `smad_logs` file. You can also verify that the publish history was successful from the Security Management appliance GUI by choosing **Web > Utilities > Web Appliance Status**. From this page choose the web appliance that you want the publish history details. Additionally, you can go the Publish History page: **Web > Utilities > Publish > Publish History**.

## The trailblazerconfig Command

You can use the `trailblazerconfig` command to route your incoming and outgoing connections through HTTP and HTTPS ports on the new web interface.

You can see the inline help by using the following command on the CLI: `help trailblazerconfig`.

The syntax is as follows:

```
trailblazerconfig enable <https_port> <http_port>
trailblazerconfig disable
trailblazerconfig status
```

Where:

'enable' runs the trailblazer configuration on the default ports (HTTPS: 4431).

'disable' disables the trailblazer configuration

'status' checks the status of the trailblazer configuration.



### Important

By default, `trailblazerconfig` CLI command is enabled on your appliance. Make sure that the HTTPS ports are opened on the firewall. Also ensure that your DNS server can resolve the hostname that you specified for accessing the appliance.

The `trailblazerconfig` command helps you to avoid the following issues:

- Requiring to add multiple certificates for API ports in certain browsers.
- Redirecting to the legacy web interface when you refresh the Spam quarantine, Safelist or Blocklist page.
- Metrics bar on the Advanced Malware Protection report page does not contain any data.



### Note

When you enable `trailblazerconfig` command on the appliance, the request URL will contain the `trailblazerconfig` HTTPS port number appended to the hostname.

## The updatepvocert Command

You must use the `updatepvocert` command in the CLI to update the CA certificate of 2048 bits to enable Centralized Policy, Virus and Quarantines on the managed Cisco Email Security appliance that is in FIPS mode.

The Centralized Policy, Virus, and Outbreak Quarantines on the managed Email Security appliance is disabled when FIPS is enabled. From AsyncOS 13.0 onwards, appliances in FIPS mode uses a certificate of 2048 bits to enable Centralized Policy, Virus, and Outbreak Quarantines. The earlier AsyncOS versions have certificates of size 1024 bits.

```
example.mail.com> updatepvocert
```

```
This command will recreate the PVO certificate and key of strength 2048 bits.
```

```
Also, the new certificate will be signed by a CA of strength 2048 bits.
```

```
Hermes process will restart post certificate update. No commit will be required.
```

```
Do you want to proceed with the certificate update? [Y]>
```

```
Certificate updated successfully. Hermes restart needed for the changes to be effective.
```

```
Do you want to restart hermes? []> Y
```

```
Enter the number of seconds to wait before abruptly closing connections. [30]>
```

```
Waiting for listeners to exit... Receiving suspended for euq_listener, cpq_listener. Waiting
```

```

    for outgoing deliveries to finish... Mail delivery suspended. Receiving resumed for
    euq_listener, cpq_listener. Mail delivery resumed.
    Hermes will be up in a moment. Run the status command for hermes.

example.mail.com >

```

## Uploading Configuration Changes Using the CLI

### Procedure

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- Step 1** Outside of the CLI, ensure that you are able to access the configuration directory of the appliance. See [IP Interfaces and Accessing the Appliance, on page 557](#) for more information.
  - Step 2** Place an entire configuration file or subsection of a configuration file in the configuration directory of the appliance, or edit an existing configuration that was created from the `saveconfig` command.
  - Step 3** Within the CLI, use the `loadconfig` command to load the configuration file you placed in the directory from Step 2, or paste the text (XML syntax) directly into the CLI.

In this example, a file named `changed.config.xml` is uploaded and the changes are committed:

#### Example:

```

mail3.example.com>
1
oadconfig
1. Paste via CLI
2. Load from file
[1]> 2
Enter the name of the file to import:
[]> changed.config.xml
Values have been loaded.
Be sure to run "commit" to make these settings active.
mail3.example.com> commit

```

In this example, a new configuration file is pasted directly at the command line. (Remember to press Ctrl-D on a blank line to end the paste command.) Then the System Setup Wizard is used to change the default hostname, IP address, and gateway information. (For more information, see [Running the System Setup Wizard, on page 16](#).) Finally, the changes are committed.

#### Example:

```

mail3.example.com> loadconfig
1. Paste via CLI
2. Load from file
[1]> 1
Paste the configuration file now. Press CTRL-D on a blank line when done.
[The configuration file is pasted until the end tag
</config>
. Control-D is entered on a separate line.]
Values have been loaded.
Be sure to run "commit" to make these settings active.
mail3.example.com> commit
Please enter some comments describing your changes:
[]> pasted new configuration file and changed default settings

```

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# Managing Disk Space

You can allocate available disk space among the features that your organization uses, up to the maximum available.

- (Virtual Appliances Only) Increasing Available Disk Space , on page 494
- Viewing Disk Space, Quotas and Usage , on page 495
- About Disk Space Maximums and Allocations, on page 495
- Ensuring That You Receive Alerts About Disk Space , on page 495
- Managing Disk Space for the Miscellaneous Quota , on page 496
- Reallocating Disk Space Quotas , on page 496

## (Virtual Appliances Only) Increasing Available Disk Space

For virtual appliances running ESXi 5.5 and VMFS 5, you can allocate more than 2TB of disk space. For appliances running ESXi 5.1, the limit is 2 TB.



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**Note** Disk space reduction in ESXi is not supported. See the VMWare documentation for information.

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To add disk space to the virtual appliance instance:

### Before you begin

Carefully determine the disk space increase needed.

### Procedure

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- Step 1** Bring down the Cisco Content Security Management appliance instance.
- Step 2** Increase disk space using utilities or administrative tools provided by VMWare.  
See information about changing the virtual disk configuration in the VMWare documentation.  
Information for ESXi 5.5 is available here: <http://pubs.vmware.com/vsphere-55/index.jsp?topic=%2Fcom.vmware.vsphere.hostclient.doc%2FGUID-81629CAB-72FA-42F0-9F86-F8FD0DE39E57.html>
- Step 3** [New Web Interface Only] On the Security Management appliance, click  to load the legacy web interface.
- Step 4** Go to **Management Appliance > System Administration > Disk Management** and verify that your change has taken effect.
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## Viewing Disk Space, Quotas and Usage

| To                                                                                                                               | Do This                                                                                                                                                                       |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| View the total disk space available on the appliance                                                                             | Select <b>Management Appliance &gt; System Administration &gt; Disk Management</b> .<br><br>Look at the values shown for "Total Space Allocated" - for example, 184G of 204G. |
| View the amount of disk space allocated to and currently used by each of the Security Management appliance's monitoring services | Select <b>Management Appliance &gt; System Administration &gt; Disk Management</b> .                                                                                          |
| View the percentage of the quotas for quarantines that are currently used                                                        | Select <b>Management Appliance &gt; Centralized Services &gt; System Status</b> and look at the Centralized Services section.                                                 |

## About Disk Space Maximums and Allocations



**Note** Centralized Reporting Disk Space on Security Management appliances is used for both Email and Web data. If you enable either Centralized Email Reporting or Centralized Web Reporting, all of the space is dedicated to the enabled feature. If you enable both, Email and Web reporting data share the space and space is allocated on a first-come basis.

- If you enable centralized web reporting but there is no disk space allocated for reporting, then centralized web reporting will not work until disk space is allocated.
- Before reducing the Miscellaneous quota below current usage levels, you should delete unneeded data. See [Managing Disk Space for the Miscellaneous Quota](#) , on page 496.
- For more information about how disk space is managed for policy, virus, and outbreak quarantines, see [Disk Space Allocation for Policy, Virus, and Outbreak Quarantines](#) , on page 309 and [Retention Time for Messages in Quarantines](#) , on page 309.
- For all other data types, if you reduce the existing allocation below current usage, then the oldest data is deleted until all data fits within the new allocation amount.
- If the new quota is larger than the currently used disk space, you will not lose data.
- If you set the allocation to zero, no data is retained.

## Ensuring That You Receive Alerts About Disk Space

You will begin to receive system alerts at warning level when Miscellaneous disk usage reaches 75% of the quota. You should take action when you receive these alerts.

To ensure that you receive these alerts, see [Managing Alerts](#), on page 472.

## Managing Disk Space for the Miscellaneous Quota

The Miscellaneous quota includes System data and User data. You cannot delete System data. User data that you can manage includes the following types of files:

| To Manage                                                                     | Do this                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Log files                                                                     | Go to <b>Management Appliance &gt; System Administration &gt; Log Subscriptions</b> and: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Click the Size column heading to see which logs consume the most disk space.</li> <li>• Verify that you need all of the log subscriptions that are being generated.</li> <li>• Verify that the log level is no more verbose than necessary.</li> <li>• If feasible, reduce the rollover file size.</li> </ul> |
| Packet captures                                                               | Go to <b>Help and Support</b> (near the upper right side of your screen) > <b>Packet Capture</b> . Delete any unneeded captures.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| Configuration files<br>(These files are unlikely to consume much disk space.) | FTP to the /data/pub directory on the appliance.<br>To configure FTP access to the appliance, see <a href="#">Accessing the Appliance via FTP, on page 559</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| Quota size                                                                    | Go to <b>System Administration &gt; Disk Management</b> .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |

## Reallocating Disk Space Quotas


If disk space is allocated to features you do not use, or if the appliance frequently runs out of disk space for a particular feature and has excess space for other features, you can reallocate disk space.

If you require more space for all features, consider upgrading your hardware or allocating more disk space to your virtual appliance. See [\(Virtual Appliances Only\) Increasing Available Disk Space, on page 494](#).

### Before you begin

- Changing disk allocations may impact existing data or feature availability. See information at [About Disk Space Maximums and Allocations, on page 495](#).
- You can temporarily create space in a quarantine by manually releasing or deleting messages from the quarantine.

### Procedure

- 
- Step 1** [New Web Interface Only] On the Security Management appliance, click  to load the legacy web interface.
  - Step 2** Choose **Management Appliance > System Administration > Disk Management**
  - Step 3** Click **Edit Disk Quotas**.
  - Step 4** On the **Edit Disk Quotas** page, enter the amount of disk space (in gigabytes) allocated to each service.
  - Step 5** Click **Submit**.




- Step 6** In the confirmation dialog box, click **Set New Quotas**.
- Step 7** Click **Commit** to commit your changes.

## Adjusting the Reference Threshold in System Health Graphs for Email Security Appliances



**Note** To receive alerts related to these thresholds, configure the thresholds on each managed Email Security appliance. For information, see information about configuring thresholds for system health in the user guide or online help for your Email Security appliance release. You can also run on-demand system health checks from individual appliances. See information about checking the health of your appliance in the user guide or online help for your Email Security appliance release.

### Procedure

- Step 1** [New Web Interface Only] On the Security Management appliance, click  to load the legacy web interface.
- Step 2** Click **Management Appliance > System Administration > System Health**.
- Step 3** Click **Edit Settings**.
- Step 4** Configure options.

| Option                         | Description           |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Overall CPU Usage              | Default: 85%          |
| Memory Page Swapping           | Default: 5000 pages   |
| Maximum Messages in Work Queue | Default: 500 messages |

- Step 5** Submit and commit your changes.

## SSO Using SAML 2.0

- [About SSO and SAML 2.0, on page 498](#)
- [SAML 2.0 SSO Workflow, on page 498](#)
- [Guidelines and Limitations for SAML 2.0, on page 499](#)
- [How to Configure SSO for Spam Quarantine, on page 506](#)
- [How to Configure SSO on your Cisco Security Management Appliance, on page 499](#)

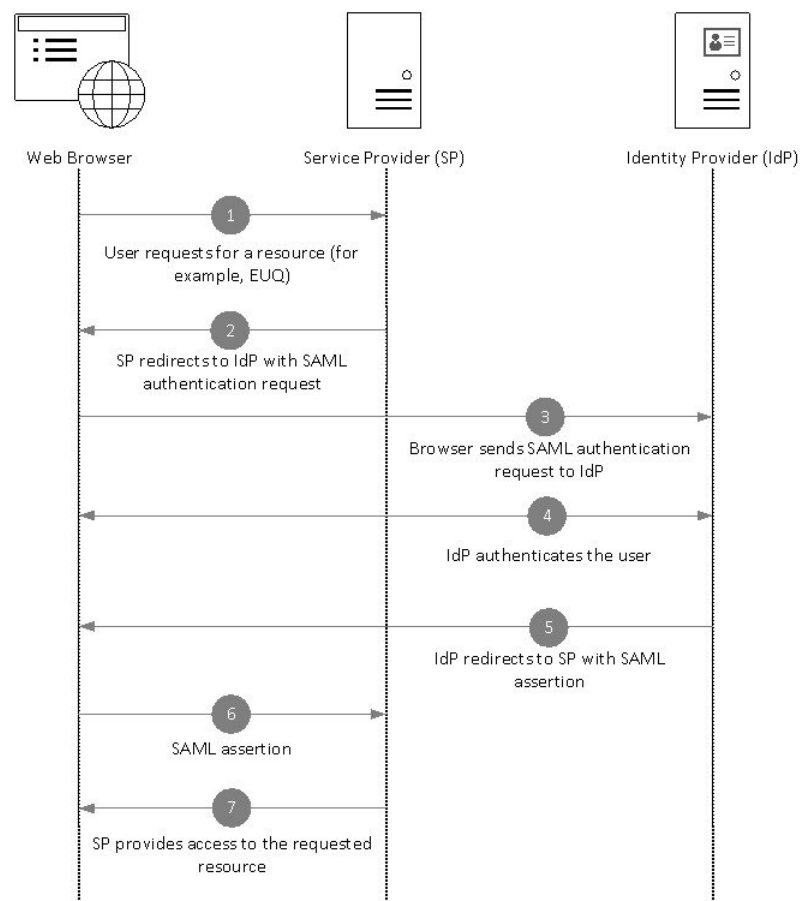
## About SSO and SAML 2.0

Cisco Content Security Management appliance now supports SAML 2.0 SSO so that the end users can access the Spam Quarantine using the same credentials that are used to access other SAML 2.0 SSO enabled services within their organization. For instance, you have enabled Ping Identity as your SAML identity provider (IdP) and has accounts on Rally, Salesforce, and Dropbox which have been SAML 2.0 SSO enabled. When you configure Cisco Content Security Management appliance to support SAML 2.0 SSO as a Service Provider (SP), end users will be able to sign in once and have access to all these services including Spam Quarantine.

## SAML 2.0 SSO Workflow

The SAML 2.0 SSO workflow is displayed in the following figure:

**Figure 20: SAML 2.0 SSO Workflow**



### Workflow

1. The end user uses a web browser to request a resource from the service provider (your appliance). For example, the end user clicks on the spam quarantine link in a spam notification.
2. The service provider redirects the request to the web browser with SAML authentication request.
3. The web browser relays the SAML authentication request to the identity provider.

4. The identity provider authenticates the end user. The identity provider displays a login page to the end user and the end user logs in.
5. The identity provider generates the SAML assertion and sends it back to the web browser.
6. The web browser relays the SAML assertion to the service provider.
7. The service provider grants access to the requested resource.

## Guidelines and Limitations for SAML 2.0

- [Logout, on page 499](#)
- [General, on page 499](#)
- [Spam Quarantine Access for Administrators, on page 499](#)

### Logout

When end users log out of Spam Quarantine, they are not logged out of other SAML 2.0 SSO enabled applications.

### General

You can configure only one instance of service provider and identity provider on Cisco Content Security Management appliance.

### Spam Quarantine Access for Administrators

If you are enabling SSO for Spam Quarantine, keep in mind that the administrators will no longer be able to access the Spam Quarantine using the Spam Quarantine URL ( `http://<appliance_hostname>:<port>` ). Administrators can access the Spam Quarantine using the web interface (**Email > Message Quarantine > Spam Quarantine**).

## How to Configure SSO on your Cisco Security Management Appliance

### Procedure

|               | Command or Action                                                     | Purpose                                                                                                                |
|---------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Step 1</b> | Review the prerequisites.                                             | <a href="#">Prerequisites, on page 500</a>                                                                             |
| <b>Step 2</b> | Configure your appliance as a service provider.                       | <a href="#">Configure Cisco Content Security Management Appliance as a Service Provider, on page 501</a>               |
| <b>Step 3</b> | [On IDP] Configure the identity provider to work with your appliance. | <a href="#">Configuring the Identity Provider to Communicate with Cisco Security Management Appliance, on page 502</a> |
| <b>Step 4</b> | Configure identity provider settings on your appliance.               | <a href="#">Configure Identity Provider Settings on Cisco Content Security Management Appliance, on page 505</a>       |

|               | Command or Action                                            | Purpose                                                 |
|---------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Step 5</b> | Enable external authentication using SAML on your appliance. | <a href="#">Enable SAML Authentication, on page 505</a> |

## Prerequisites

- [Supported Identity Providers, on page 500](#)
- [Certificates for Secure Communication, on page 500](#)

### Supported Identity Providers

Verify whether the identity provider used by your organization is supported by Cisco Email Security Appliance. The following are the supported identity providers:

- Microsoft Active Directory Federation Services (AD FS) 2.0 and later
- Duo Access Gateway
- Azure AD

### Certificates for Secure Communication

Obtain the following certificates that are required to secure the communication between your appliance and the identity provider:

- If you want your appliance to sign SAML authentication requests or if you want your identity provider to encrypt SAML assertions, obtain a self-signed certificate or a certificate from a trusted CA and the associated private key.
- If you want the identity provider to sign SAML assertions, obtain the identity provider's certificate and import the same to your appliance. Your appliance will use this certificate to verify the signed SAML assertions.

### Converting Certificates

Normally, the certificates obtained from the appliance are in .pfx format and must be converted to .pem format when you configure your appliance as a service provider.

To convert the certificates from .pfx format to .pem format, do the following:


- Download and install OpenSSL tool and import the certificate file (.pfx) obtained from your appliance.
- Run the following command to export the certificate in .pem format: `openssl pkcs12 -in <certname>.pfx -nokeys -out cert.pem`
- Run the following command to export the private key in .pem format: `openssl pkcs12 -in certname.pfx -nocerts -out key.pem -nodes`
- Run the following command to remove the passphrase from the private key: `openssl rsa -in key.pem -out server.key`

## Configure Cisco Content Security Management Appliance as a Service Provider

### Before you begin

Review the [Prerequisites](#), on page 500.

### Procedure

- Step 1** [New Web Interface Only] On the Security Management appliance, click  to load the legacy web interface.
- Step 2** Choose **Management Appliance > System Administration > SAML**.
- Step 3** Under the Service Provider section, click **Add Service Provider**.
- Step 4** Enter the following details:

| Field                  | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
|------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Profile Name           | Enter a name for the service provider profile.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| Configuration Settings |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| Entity ID              | Enter a globally unique name for the service provider (in this case, your appliance). The format of the service provider Entity ID is typically a URI.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| Name ID Format         | The format that the identity provider should use to specify the user in the SAML assertion.<br><br>This field is not configurable. You will need this value while configuring the identity provider.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| Assertion Consumer URL | The URL to which the identity provider should send the SAML assertion after authentication has successfully completed. In this case, this is the URL to your spam quarantine.<br><br>This field is not configurable. You will need this value while configuring the identity provider.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| SP Certificate         | <p><b>Note</b> The private key must be in .pem format.</p> <p><b>Signing Authentication Requests</b></p> <p>If you want the appliance to sign the SAML authentication requests:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Upload the certificate and the associated private key.</li> <li>Enter the passphrase for the private key.</li> <li>Select <b>Sign Request</b>.</li> </ol> <p><b>Decrypt Encrypted Assertions</b></p> <p>If you plan to configure your identity provider to encrypt SAML assertions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Upload the certificate and the associated private key.</li> <li>Enter the passphrase for the private key.</li> </ol> |

| Field                | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
|----------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Sign Assertions      | <p>If you want the identity provider to sign the SAML assertions, select <b>Sign Assertions</b>.</p> <p>If you select this option, you must add the identity provider's certificate to the appliance. See <a href="#">Configuring the Identity Provider to Communicate with Cisco Security Management Appliance, on page 502</a>.</p> |
| Organization Details | <p>Enter the details of your organization.</p> <p>Identity provider uses this information in the error logs.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| Technical Contact    | <p>Enter the email address of the technical contact.</p> <p>Identity provider uses this information in the error logs.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                            |

**Step 5** Click **Submit**.

**Step 6** Note down the service provider metadata (Entity ID and Assertion Customer URL) displayed on the SSO Settings page and the Name ID Format displayed on the Service Provider Settings page. You will need these details while configuring the service provider settings on the identity provider.

Optionally, you can export the metadata as a file. Click **Export Metadata** and save the metadata file. Some identity providers allow you to load service provider details from a metadata file.

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### What to do next

Configure the identity provider to communicate with your appliance. See [Configuring the Identity Provider to Communicate with Cisco Security Management Appliance, on page 502](#).

## Configuring the Identity Provider to Communicate with Cisco Security Management Appliance

### Before you begin

Make sure that you have:

- Configured your appliance as a service provider. See [Configure Cisco Content Security Management Appliance as a Service Provider, on page 501](#).
- Copied the service provider metadata details or exported the metadata file. See [Configure Cisco Content Security Management Appliance as a Service Provider, on page 501](#).

### Procedure

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**Step 1** On the identity provider, do one of the following:

- Manually configure the details of the service provider (your appliance).
- If your identity provider allows you to load the service provider details from a metadata file, import the metadata file.

If you have configured your appliance to sign the SAML authentication requests or you plan to encrypt SAML assertions, make sure that you add the relevant certificate to the identity provider.

For identity provider-specific instructions, see:

- [Configure AD FS to Communicate with Cisco Security Management Appliance, on page 503.](#)
- [Configure Azure AD to Communicate with Cisco Security Management Appliance, on page 504.](#)
- [Configure Duo Access Gateway to Communicate with Cisco Security Management Appliance, on page 504.](#)

**Step 2** Note down the identity provider metadata or export the metadata as a file.

### What to do next

Configure the identity provider settings on your appliance. See [Configuring the Identity Provider to Communicate with Cisco Security Management Appliance, on page 502.](#)

## Configure AD FS to Communicate with Cisco Security Management Appliance

The following are the high level tasks you need to perform to configure AD FS (2.0 and later) to communicate with your appliance. For complete and detailed instructions, see *Microsoft documentation*.

- Add the service provider's (appliance's) Assertion Consumer URL as a relaying party.
- Enter the service provider's (appliance's) Entity ID under Relaying Party Trusts > Properties > Identifiers > Relaying Party Identifier. Make sure that this value is same as the Entity ID value in the Service Provider settings on your appliance.
- If you have configured your service provider (appliance) to send signed SAML authentication requests, upload the service provider's certificate (used to sign authentication requests) in .cer format under Relaying Party Trusts > Properties > Signature.
- If you plan to configure AD FS to send encrypted SAML assertions, upload the service provider's (appliance's) certificate in .cer format under Relaying Party Trusts > Properties > Encryption.
- Set the Secure-hash Algorithm to SHA-1 under Relaying Party Trusts > Properties > Advanced.
- Add a custom rule to include SPNameQualifier in the response. The following is a sample custom rule:

```
c:[Type == "http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2005/05/identity/claims/emailaddress"] =>
issue(Type = "http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2005/05/identity/claims/nameidentifier",
Issuer=
c.Issuer, OriginalIssuer = c.OriginalIssuer, Value = c.Value, ValueType = c.ValueType,

Properties["http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2005/05/identity/claimproperties/format"] =
"urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:1.1:nameid-format:emailAddress",
Properties ["http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2005/05/identity/claimproperties/format"] =
"urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:1.1:nameid-format:unspecified");
```

- Edit the Claim Rule and add an Issuance Transform Rule to send the LDAP attribute for email address as an outgoing claim type (email address). Also ensure that you add an Issuance Transform Rule to send the LDAP attribute for group attribute as an outgoing claim type (unspecified groups).

## Configure Azure AD to Communicate with Cisco Security Management Appliance

The following are the high level tasks you need to perform to Azure AD to communicate with your appliance. For complete and detailed instructions, see *Microsoft Azure AD Documentation*.

- Add the service provider's (appliance's) Assertion Consumer URL as the service provider identifier that receives and processes SAML assertions.
- Enter the service provider's (appliance's) Entity ID in the Azure Portal under Enterprise Application > New Application > Non-gallery application > Single Sign-On > Basic SAML Configuration. Make sure that this value is same as the Entity ID value in the Service Provider settings on your appliance.
- If you have configured your service provider (appliance) to send signed SAML authentication requests, upload the service provider's certificate (used to sign authentication requests) under SAML Signing Certificate section (Enterprise Application > New Application > Non-gallery application > Single Sign-On > SAML Signing Certificate).
- Configure a Group Claim under User Attributes and Claims section (Enterprise Application > New Application > Non-gallery application > Single Sign-On > User Attributes and Claims) and add the group attribute.
- Add users and groups under Enterprise Application > New Application > Non-gallery application > Users & Groups) to allow users to log in to the application based on the SAML assertion or response.

## Configure Duo Access Gateway to Communicate with Cisco Security Management Appliance

The following are the high level tasks you need to perform to Duo Access Gateway to communicate with your appliance. For complete and detailed instructions, see *Duo Security Documentation*.

- Add the service provider's (appliance's) Assertion Consumer URL as the service provider endpoint that receives and processes SAML assertions.
- Enter the service provider's (appliance's) Entity ID under Duo Admin Panel > Applications > Protect an Application > SAML Service Provider. Make sure that this value is same as the Entity ID value in the Service Provider settings on your appliance.
- If you have configured your service provider (appliance) to send signed SAML authentication requests, upload the service provider's certificate (used to sign authentication requests) in .cer format when you configure the authentication source on the Duo Access Gateway.
- If you plan to configure Duo to send encrypted SAML assertions, upload the service provider's (appliance's) certificate in .cer format when you configure the authentication source on the Duo Access Gateway.
- Select the NameID format as "unspecified" under Duo Admin Panel > Applications > Protect an Application > SAML Service Provider > SAML Response.
- Set the Secure-hash Algorithm to SHA-256 under Duo Admin Panel > Applications > Protect an Application > SAML Service Provider > SAML Response.
- Save the SAML - Service Provider Setting as a configuration file on the Duo Admin Panel and import the configuration file as a SAML application on the Duo Access Gateway.




## Configure Identity Provider Settings on Cisco Content Security Management Appliance

### Before you begin

Make sure that you have:

- Configured the identity provider to communicate with your appliance. See [Configuring the Identity Provider to Communicate with Cisco Security Management Appliance](#), on page 502.
- Copied the identity provider metadata details or the exported metadata file.

### Procedure

- Step 1** [New Web Interface Only] On the Security Management appliance, click  to load the legacy web interface.
- Step 2** Choose **Management Appliance > System Administration > SAML**.
- Step 3** Under the Identity Provider section, click **Add Identity Provider**.
- Step 4** Enter the following details:

| Field                                                                  | Description                                                                                                               |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Profile Name                                                           | Enter a name for the identity provider profile.                                                                           |
| Configuration Settings (Manually Configure Identity Provider Settings) |                                                                                                                           |
| Entity ID                                                              | Enter a globally unique name for the identity provider. The format of the identity provider Entity ID is typically a URI. |
| SSO URL                                                                | Specify the URL to which the service provider must send the SAML authentication requests.                                 |
| Certificate                                                            | If the identity provider signs the SAML assertion, you must upload the identity provider's signing certificate.           |
| Configuration Settings (Importing Identity Provider Metadata)          |                                                                                                                           |
| Import IDP Metadata                                                    | Click <b>Import Metadata</b> and select the metadata file.                                                                |

- Step 5** Submit and commit your changes.

### What to do next

[Enable SAML Authentication, on page 505](#)

## Enable SAML Authentication

You can enable Single Sign On using SAML to authenticate users and assign groups of users to Cisco rules.

**Before you begin**

Make sure that you have configured the SAML profiles with Service Provider and Identity Provider settings. See [How to Configure SSO on your Cisco Security Management Appliance, on page 499](#).

**Procedure**

- 
- Step 1** Navigate to **Management Appliances > System Administration > Users**.
- Step 2** Scroll down to the **External Authentication** section.
- Step 3** Click **Enable**.
- Step 4** Select the **Enable External Authentication** check box.
- Step 5** Select **SAML** as the authentication type from the drop-down list.
- Step 6** **(Optional)** In the **External Authentication Attribute Name Map** field, enter the attribute name to search from the Group Mapping.

The Attribute Name depends on the attributes that you configure for the Identity Provider. The appliance will search for matching entries of the Attribute Name in the **Group Mapping** field. This is optional and if you do not configure, the appliance will search for matching entries of all attributes present in the Group Mapping field.

- Step 7** In the **Group Mapping** field, enter the group name attribute as defined in the SAML directory based on the predefined or custom user role. You can click **Add Row** to add multiple role mappings.
- The Group Mapping must contain a group attribute. You can add 'Unspecified Groups' attribute to authenticate SAML assertions or response.
- For more information on types of user roles, see [Users Page , on page 408](#).
- Step 8** Submit and commit your changes.
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**What to do next**

After you enable SAML external authentication, you can use the **Use Single Sign On** link on the login page of the appliance and enter the username to log in to the appliance.

## How to Configure SSO for Spam Quarantine

|               | Do This                                                               | More Info                                                                                                       |
|---------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Step 1</b> | Review the prerequisites.                                             | <a href="#">Prerequisites, on page 507</a>                                                                      |
| <b>Step 2</b> | Configure your appliance as a service provider.                       | <a href="#">Configure Cisco Content Security Management Appliance as a Service Provider, on page 507</a>        |
| <b>Step 3</b> | [On IDP] Configure the identity provider to work with your appliance. | <a href="#">Configure the Identity Provider to Communicate with Cisco Content Security Management Appliance</a> |

|               | Do This                                                      | More Info                                                                                                        |
|---------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Step 4</b> | Configure identity provider settings on your appliance.      | <a href="#">Configure Identity Provider Settings on Cisco Content Security Management Appliance, on page 511</a> |
| <b>Step 5</b> | Enable SSO for Spam Quarantine on your appliance.            | <a href="#">Enable SSO for Spam Quarantine, on page 511</a>                                                      |
| <b>Step 6</b> | Notify the end users about the new authentication mechanism. |                                                                                                                  |

## Prerequisites


- Verify whether the identity provider used by your organization is supported by Cisco Content Security Management Appliance. The following are the supported identity providers:
  - Microsoft Active Directory Federation Services (AD FS) 2.0
  - Ping Identity PingFederate 7.2
  - Cisco Web Security Appliance 9.1
- Obtain the following certificates that are required to secure the communication between your appliance and the identity provider:
  - If you want your appliance to sign SAML authentication requests or if you want your identity provider to encrypt SAML assertions, obtain a self signed certificate or a certificate from a trusted CA and the associated private key.
  - If you want the identity provider to sign SAML assertions, obtain the identity provider's certificate. Your appliance will use this certificate to verify the signed SAML assertions.

## Configure Cisco Content Security Management Appliance as a Service Provider

### Before you begin

Review the [Prerequisites, on page 507](#).

### Procedure

- Step 1** [New Web Interface Only] On the Security Management appliance, click  to load the legacy web interface.
- Step 2** Choose **Management Appliance > System Administration > SAML**.
- Step 3** Under the Service Provider section, click **Add Service Provider**.
- Step 4** Enter the following details:

| Field        | Description                                    |
|--------------|------------------------------------------------|
| Profile Name | Enter a name for the service provider profile. |

| Field                  | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
|------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Configuration Settings |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| Entity ID              | Enter a globally unique name for the service provider (in this case, your appliance). The format of the service provider Entity ID is typically a URI.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Name ID Format         | The format that the identity provider should use to specify the user in the SAML assertion.<br><br>This field is not configurable. You will need this value while configuring the identity provider.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| Assertion Consumer URL | The URL to which the identity provider should send the SAML assertion after authentication has successfully completed. In this case, this is the URL to your spam quarantine.<br><br>This field is not configurable. You will need this value while configuring the identity provider.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| SP Certificate         | <b>Note</b> The private key must be in .pem format.<br><br><b>Signing Authentication Requests</b><br>If you want the appliance to sign the SAML authentication requests:<br><ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Upload the certificate and the associated private key.</li> <li>Enter the passphrase for the private key.</li> <li>Select <b>Sign Request</b>.</li> </ol><br><b>Decrypt Encrypted Assertions</b><br>If you plan to configure your identity provider to encrypt SAML assertions:<br><ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Upload the certificate and the associated private key.</li> <li>Enter the passphrase for the private key.</li> </ol> |
| Sign Assertions        | If you want the identity provider to sign the SAML assertions, select <b>Sign Assertions</b> .<br><br>If you select this option, you must add the identity provider's certificate to the appliance. See <a href="#">Configure the Identity Provider to Communicate with Cisco Content Security Management Appliance, on page 509</a> .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Organization Details   | Enter the details of your organization.<br><br>Identity provider uses this information in the error logs.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| Technical Contact      | Enter the email address of the technical contact.<br><br>Identity provider uses this information in the error logs.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |

**Step 5** Click **Submit**.

**Step 6** Note down the service provider metadata (Entity ID and Assertion Customer URL) displayed on the SSO Settings page and the Name ID Format displayed on the Service Provider Settings page. You will need these details while configuring the service provider settings on the identity provider.

Optionally, you can export the metadata as a file. Click **Export Metadata** and save the metadata file. Some identity providers allow you to load service provider details from a metadata file.

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#### What to do next

Configure the identity provider to communicate with your appliance. See [Configure the Identity Provider to Communicate with Cisco Content Security Management Appliance, on page 509](#).

## Configure the Identity Provider to Communicate with Cisco Content Security Management Appliance

#### Before you begin

Make sure that you have:

- Configured your appliance as a service provider. See [Configure Cisco Content Security Management Appliance as a Service Provider, on page 507](#).
- Copied the service provider metadata details or exported the metadata file. See [Configure Cisco Content Security Management Appliance as a Service Provider, on page 507](#).

#### Procedure

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**Step 1** On the identity provider, do one of the following:

- Manually configure the details of the service provider (your appliance).
- If your identity provider allows you to load the service provider details from a metadata file, import the metadata file.

If you have configured your appliance to sign the SAML authentication requests or you plan to encrypt SAML assertions, make sure that you add the relevant certificate to the identity provider.

For identity provider-specific instructions, see:

- [Configure AD FS 2.0 to Communicate with Cisco Content Security Management Appliance, on page 510](#)
- [Configure PingFederate 7.2 to Communicate with Cisco Content Security Management Appliance, on page 510](#)
- **Configuring the Appliance as an Identity Provider** section in the *User Guide for AsyncOS for Cisco Web Security Appliances* <http://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/support/security/web-security-appliance/products-user-guide-list.html>

**Step 2** Note down the identity provider metadata or export the metadata as a file.

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**What to do next**

Configure the identity provider settings on your appliance. See [Configure Identity Provider Settings on Cisco Content Security Management Appliance, on page 511](#).

**Configure AD FS 2.0 to Communicate with Cisco Content Security Management Appliance**

The following are the high level tasks you need to perform to configure AD FS 2.0 to communicate with your appliance. For complete and detailed instructions, see Microsoft documentation.

- Add the service provider's (appliance's) Assertion Consumer URL as a relaying party.
- Enter the service provider's (appliance's) Entity ID under Relaying Party Trusts > Properties > Identifiers > Relaying Party Identifier. Make sure that this value is same as the Entity ID value in the Service Provider settings on your appliance.
- If you have configured your service provider (appliance) to send signed SAML authentication requests, upload the service provider's certificate (used to sign authentication requests) in .cer format under Relaying Party Trusts > Properties > Signature.
- If you plan to configure AD FS to send encrypted SAML assertions, upload the service provider's (appliance's) certificate in .cer format under Relaying Party Trusts > Properties > Encryption.
- Set the Secure-hash Algorithm to SHA-1 under Relaying Party Trusts > Properties > Advanced.
- Edit the Claim Rule and add an Issuance Transform Rule to send the LDAP attribute for email address as an outgoing claim type (email address).
- Add a custom rule to include SPNameQualifier in the response. The following is a sample custom rule:

```
c:[Type == "http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2005/05/identity/claims/emailaddress"] =>
issue(Type = "http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2005/05/identity/claims/nameidentifier", Issuer =
=
c.Issuer, OriginalIssuer = c.OriginalIssuer, Value = c.Value, ValueType = c.ValueType,
Properties["http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2005/05/identity/claimproperties/format"] =
"urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:1.1:nameid-format:emailAddress", Properties
["http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/ws/2005/05/identity/claimproperties/spnamequalifier"] =
"https://<appliance-hostname>:83");
```

**Configure PingFederate 7.2 to Communicate with Cisco Content Security Management Appliance**

The following are the high level tasks you need to perform to configure PingFederate 7.2 to communicate with your appliance. For complete and detailed instructions, see Ping Identity documentation.

- Add your service provider's (appliance's) Assertion Consumer URL as an endpoint under protocol settings.
- Enter the service provider's (appliance's) Entity ID under SP Connection > General Info > Partner's Entity ID (Connection ID). Make sure that this value is same as the Entity ID value in the Service Provider settings on your appliance.
- If you have configured your service provider (appliance) to send signed SAML authentication requests, upload the service provider's certificate under Signature Verification section (SP Connection > Credentials > Signature Verification > Signature Verification Certificate).
- If you plan to configure PingFederate to send encrypted SAML assertions, upload the service provider's (appliance's) certificate under Signature Verification section (SP Connection > Credentials > Signature Verification > Select XML Encryption Certificate).
- Edit Attribute Contract to send the LDAP attribute- email address (Attribute Sources & User Lookup > Attribute Contract Fulfillment).


## Configure Identity Provider Settings on Cisco Content Security Management Appliance

### Before you begin

Make sure that you have:

- Configured the identity provider to communicate with your appliance. See [Configure the Identity Provider to Communicate with Cisco Content Security Management Appliance](#), on page 509.
- Copied the identity provider metadata details or the exported metadata file.

### Procedure

- Step 1** [New Web Interface Only] On the Security Management appliance, click  to load the legacy web interface.
- Step 2** Choose **Management Appliance > System Administration > SAML**.
- Step 3** Under the Identity Provider section, click **Add Identity Provider**.
- Step 4** Enter the following details:

| Field                                                                  | Description                                                                                                               |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Profile Name                                                           | Enter a name for the identity provider profile.                                                                           |
| Configuration Settings (Manually Configure Identity Provider Settings) |                                                                                                                           |
| Entity ID                                                              | Enter a globally unique name for the identity provider. The format of the identity provider Entity ID is typically a URI. |
| SSO URL                                                                | Specify the URL to which the service provider must send the SAML authentication requests.                                 |
| Certificate                                                            | If the identity provider signs the SAML assertion, you must upload the identity provider's signing certificate.           |
| Configuration Settings (Importing Identity Provider Metadata)          |                                                                                                                           |
| Import IDP Metadata                                                    | Click <b>Import Metadata</b> and select the metadata file.                                                                |

- Step 5** Submit and commit your changes.

### What to do next

[Enable SSO for Spam Quarantine](#), on page 511

## Enable SSO for Spam Quarantine


### Before you begin

Make sure that you have:

- Configured all the settings on **Management Appliance > System Administration > SAML** page.

- Enabled Spam Quarantine. See [Spam Quarantine, on page 265](#).

### Procedure

- 
- Step 1** [New Web Interface Only] On the Security Management appliance, click  to load the legacy web interface.
- Step 2** Choose **Management Appliance > Centralized Services > Spam Quarantine**.
- Step 3** Click **Edit Settings** and scroll down to the End-User Quarantine Access section.
- Step 4** Make sure that you have enabled End-User Quarantine Access.
- Step 5** Set the End-User Authentication method to **SAML2.0**.
- Step 6** (Optional) Specify whether to display message bodies before messages are released.
- Step 7** Submit and commit your changes.
- 

### What to do next

Notify the end users about the new authentication mechanism.

## Customizing Your View

- [Using Favorite Pages , on page 512](#)
- [Setting Preferences , on page 513](#)
- [General Settings, on page 513](#)

## Using Favorite Pages

(Locally-authenticated administrative users only.) You can create a quick-access list of the pages you use most.

| To                                       | Do This                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
|------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Add pages to your favorites list         | Navigate to the page to add, then choose <b>Add This Page To My Favorites</b> from the My Favorites menu near the top right corner of the window.<br><br>No commit is necessary for changes to My Favorites. |
| Reorder favorites                        | Choose <b>My Favorites &gt; View All My Favorites</b> and drag favorites into the desired order.                                                                                                             |
| Edit favorite page, name, or description | Choose <b>My Favorites &gt; View All My Favorites</b> and click the name of the favorite to edit.                                                                                                            |
| Delete favorites                         | Choose <b>My Favorites &gt; View All My Favorites</b> and delete favorites.                                                                                                                                  |
| Go to a favorite page                    | Choose a page from the <b>My Favorites</b> menu near the top right corner of the window.                                                                                                                     |



| To                           | Do This                                                                                     |
|------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Return to the main interface | Choose any favorite, or click the <b>Return to previous page</b> at the bottom of the page. |

## Setting Preferences

### Administrative users configured on the Security Management appliance

Locally-authenticated users can choose the following preferences, which apply each time the user logs in to the Security Management appliance:

- Language (applies to the GUI)
- Landing page (the page displayed after login)
- Default time range for report pages (available options are a subset of the time ranges available for Email and Web reporting pages)
- Number of rows visible in tables on report pages

Exact options depend on the user role.

To set these preferences, choose **Options > Preferences**. (The Options menu is at the top right side of the GUI window.) Submit your changes when done. Commit is not required.



**Tip** To return to the page you were viewing before you accessed the Preferences page, click the **Return to previous page** link at the bottom of the page.

### Externally authenticated users

Externally authenticated users can choose the display language directly in the Options menu.


## General Settings

- [Improving Web Interface Rendering](#), on page 514
- [Monitoring Web Usage Analytics](#), on page 513

## Monitoring Web Usage Analytics

Usage Analytics is used to provide insight into your site activity data for analytical statistics. If Usage Analytics is enabled, the appliance collects the feature usage data of the appliance on the new web interface. The usage statistics are used to analyze and provide insight to improve the user experience of the appliance.

### Procedure

**Step 1** [New Web Interface Only] On the Security Management appliance, click  to load the legacy web interface.

- Step 2** Choose **Management Appliance** > **System Administration** > **General Settings**.
- Step 3** Click on **Edit Settings**.
- Step 4** Select the **Enable** check box in the Usage Analytics field.
- Step 5** Submit and commit your changes.


## Improving Web Interface Rendering

For better web interface rendering, Cisco recommends that you enable Internet Explorer Compatibility Mode Override.



**Note** If enabling this feature is against your organizational policy, you may disable this feature.

### Procedure

- Step 1** [New Web Interface Only] On the Security Management appliance, click  to load the legacy web interface.
- Step 2** Choose **Management Appliance** > **System Administration** > **General Settings**.
- Step 3** Click on **Edit Settings**.
- Step 4** Select the **Enable** check box in the Override IE Compatibility Mode field.
- Step 5** Submit and commit your changes.

## Restarting and Viewing Status of Services Enabled on Appliance

You can use the `diagnostic > services` sub command in the CLI to:

- Restart the services enabled on your appliance without having to reboot your appliance.
- View the status of the services enabled on your appliance.

### Example: Viewing Status of Reporting Service

In the following example, the `services` command is used to view the status of the reporting service enabled on your appliance.

```
mail.example.com> diagnostic
```

```
Choose the operation you want to perform:
```

```
- RAID - Disk Verify Utility.
- DISK_USAGE - Check Disk Usage.
- NETWORK - Network Utilities.
- REPORTING - Reporting Utilities.
- TRACKING - Tracking Utilities.
- RELOAD - Reset configuration to the initial manufacturer values.
- SERVICES - Service Utilities.
[ ]> services
```

```
Choose one of the following services:
```

```
- REPORTING - Reporting associated services
- TRACKING - Tracking associated services
- EUQWEB - End User Quarantine GUI
- WEBUI - Web GUI
[]> reporting
```

Choose the operation you want to perform:

```
- RESTART - Restart the service
- STATUS - View status of the service
[]> status
```

Reporting has been up for 28d 20h 45m 35s.

### Example: Restarting the Message Tracking Service

In the following example, the `services` command is used to restart the message tracking service enabled on your appliance.

```
mail.example.com> diagnostic
```

Choose the operation you want to perform:

```
- RAID - Disk Verify Utility.
- DISK_USAGE - Check Disk Usage.
- NETWORK - Network Utilities.
- REPORTING - Reporting Utilities.
- TRACKING - Tracking Utilities.
- RELOAD - Reset configuration to the initial manufacturer values.
- SERVICES - Service Utilities.
[]> services
```

Choose one of the following services:

```
- REPORTING - Reporting associated services
- TRACKING - Tracking associated services
- EUQWEB - End User Quarantine GUI
- WEBUI - Web GUI
[]> tracking
```

Choose the operation you want to perform:

```
- RESTART - Restart the service
- STATUS - View status of the service
[]> restart
```





# CHAPTER 17

## Logging

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This chapter contains the following sections:

- [Logging Overview, on page 517](#)
- [Log Types, on page 520](#)
- [Log Subscriptions, on page 539](#)

## Logging Overview

Log files record regular operations, as well as exceptions, for activity on the system. Use the logs for monitoring the Cisco Content Security appliance, troubleshooting, and evaluating system performance.

Most logs are recorded in plain text (ASCII) format; however, tracking logs are recorded in binary format for resource efficiency. The ASCII text information is readable in any text editor.

## Logging Versus Reporting

Use logging data to debug message flow, reveal basic day-to-day operational information such as FTP connection details, HTTP log files, and for compliance archiving.

You can access this logging data directly on the Email Security appliance or send it to any external FTP server for archival or reading. You can either FTP to the appliance to access the logs or push the plain text logs to an external server for backup purposes.

To view reporting data, use the Report pages on the appliance GUI. You cannot access the underlying data in any way, and this data cannot be sent to anything but a Cisco Content Security Management appliance.



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**Note** The Security Management appliance pulls information for all reporting and tracking with the exception of spam quarantine data. This data is pushed from the ESA.

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## Log Retrieval

Log files can be retrieved with the file transfer protocols described in the following table. You set the protocol when you create or edit a log subscription in the GUI, or by using the `logconfig` command in the CLI.

|             |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
|-------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| FTP Poll    | With this type of file transfer, a remote FTP client accesses the appliance to retrieve log files by using the user name and passphrase of an administrator-level or operator-level user. When configuring a log subscription to use the FTP poll method, you must supply the maximum number of log files to retain. When the maximum number is reached, the system deletes the oldest file.                                                              |
| FTP Push    | With this type of file transfer, the Cisco Content Security appliance periodically pushes log files to an FTP server on a remote computer. The subscription requires a user name, passphrase, and destination directory on the remote computer. Log files are transferred based on the configured rollover schedule.                                                                                                                                      |
| SCP Push    | With this type of file transfer, the Cisco Content Security appliance periodically pushes log files to an SCP server on a remote computer. This method requires an SSH SCP server on a remote computer using the SSH2 protocol. The subscription requires a user name, SSH key, and destination directory on the remote computer. Log files are transferred based on the configured rollover schedule.                                                    |
| Syslog Push | With this type of file transfer, the Cisco Content Security appliance sends log messages to a remote syslog server. This method conforms to RFC 3164. You must submit a hostname for the syslog server and use either UDP or TCP for log transmission. The port used is 514. A facility can be selected for the log; however, a default for the log type is preselected in the drop-down menu. Only text-based logs can be transferred using syslog push. |

## Filename and Directory Structure

AsyncOS creates a directory for each log subscription based on the log name specified in the log subscription. The filenames of logs in the directory consist of the filename specified in the log subscription, the timestamp when the log file was started, and a single-character status code. The following example shows the convention for the directory and filename:

```
/<Log_Name>/<Log_Filename>.@<timestamp>.<statuscode>
```

Status codes may be `.c` (signifying “current”) or `.s` (signifying “saved”). You should only transfer log files with the saved status.

## Log Rollover and Transfer Schedule

When you create a log subscription, you specify the trigger(s) for when the logs roll over, the old file is transferred, and a new log file is created.

Choose between the following triggers:

- File size
- Time
  - At a specified interval (in seconds, minutes, hours, or days)

Follow the example on the screen when entering values.

To enter a composite interval, such as two-and-a-half hours, follow the example 2h30m .

or

- Every day, at the time(s) you specify
- or
- On the days of the week that you select, at the time(s) you specify

When you specify times, use the 24-hour format, for example 23:00 for 11pm.

To schedule multiple rollover times in a day, separate times with a comma. For example, to roll over logs at midnight and noon, enter 00:00, 12:00

Use an asterisk (\*) as a wildcard. For example, to roll over logs exactly at every hour and half-hour, enter \*:00, \*:30

When the specified limit is reached (or the first limit is reached, if you have configured both size- and time-based limits), the log file is rolled over. Log subscriptions based on the FTP poll transfer mechanism create files and store them in the FTP directory on the appliance until they are retrieved or until the system needs more space for log files.



**Note** If a rollover is in progress when the next limit is reached, the new rollover is skipped. An error will be logged and an alert sent.

## Timestamps in Log Files

The following log files include the beginning and ending date of the log itself, the version of AsyncOS, and the GMT offset (provided in seconds at the beginning of the log):

- Mail log
- Safelist/blocklist log
- System log

## Logs Enabled by Default

The Security Management appliance is preconfigured with the following log subscriptions enabled.

**Table 88: Preconfigured Log Subscriptions**

| Log Name | Log Type             | Retrieval Method |
|----------|----------------------|------------------|
| cli_logs | CLI audit logs       | FTP Poll         |
| euq_logs | Spam quarantine logs | FTP Poll         |

| Log Name          | Log Type                 | Retrieval Method |
|-------------------|--------------------------|------------------|
| euqgui_logs       | Spam quarantine GUI logs | FTP Poll         |
| gui_logs          | HTTP logs                | FTP Poll         |
| mail_logs         | Text mail logs           | FTP Poll         |
| reportd_logs      | Reporting logs           | FTP Poll         |
| reportqueryd_logs | Reporting query logs     | FTP Poll         |
| slbld_logs        | Safelist/blocklist logs  | FTP Poll         |
| smad_logs         | SMA logs                 | FTP Poll         |
| system_logs       | System logs              | FTP Poll         |
| trackerd_logs     | Tracking logs            | FTP Poll         |

All preconfigured log subscriptions have the logging level set to Information. For more information about log levels, see [Setting the Log Level, on page 540](#).

You can configure additional log subscriptions depending on the license keys that you have applied. For information about creating and editing log subscriptions, see [Log Subscriptions, on page 539](#).

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## Summary of Log Types

A log subscription associates a log type with a name, a logging level, and other characteristics such as file size and destination information. Multiple subscriptions for all log types, except configuration history logs, are permitted. The log type determines the data that are recorded in the log. You select the log type when you create a log subscription. See [Log Subscriptions, on page 539](#) for more information.

AsyncOS generates the following log types:

**Table 89: Log Types**

| Log Type                   | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
|----------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Authentication Logs        | The authentication log records successful logins and unsuccessful login attempts, for locally and externally authenticated users, for both GUI and CLI access to the Security Management appliance.<br><br>In Debug and more verbose modes, if external authentication is turned on, all LDAP queries appear in these logs.                                                                                                  |
| Backup Logs                | Backup logs record the backup process from start to finish.<br><br>Information about backup scheduling is in the SMA logs.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| CLI Audit Logs             | The CLI audit logs record all CLI activity on the system.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Configuration History Logs | Configuration history logs record the following information: What changes were made on the Security Management appliance, and when were the changes made? A new configuration history log is created each time a user commits a change.                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| FTP Server Logs            | FTP logs record information about the FTP services enabled on the interface. Connection details and user activity are recorded.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| GUI logs                   | GUI logs include a history of page refreshes in the web interface, session data, and the pages a user accesses. You can use the <code>gui_log</code> to track user activity or investigate errors that users see in the GUI. The error traceback will normally be in this log.<br><br>GUI logs also include information about SMTP transactions, for example information about scheduled reports emailed from the appliance. |
| HTTP Logs                  | HTTP logs record information about the HTTP and secure HTTP services enabled on the interface. Because the graphical user interface (GUI) is accessed through HTTP, the HTTP logs are essentially the GUI equivalent of the CLI audit logs. Session data (for example, new sessions and expired sessions) are recorded, as well as the pages accessed in the GUI.                                                            |
| Haystack logs              | Haystack logs record web transaction tracking data processing.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| Text Mail Logs             | Text mail logs record information about the operations of the email system (for example, message receiving, message delivery attempts, opening and closing connections, bouncing messages, and so forth).<br><br>For important information about when attachment names are included in mail logs, see <a href="#">Tracking Service Overview</a> .                                                                            |

| Log Type                 | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
|--------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| LDAP Debug Logs          | <p>Use these logs to debug problems when you are configuring LDAP in System Administration &gt; LDAP.</p> <p>For example, these logs record the results of clicking the Test Server and Test Queries buttons.</p> <p>For information about failed LDAP authentications, see the Authentication logs.</p> |
| NTP Logs                 | NTP logs record the conversation between the appliance and any configured Network Time Protocol (NTP) servers. For information about configuring NTP servers, see <a href="#">Configuring the System Time, on page 483</a> .                                                                             |
| Reporting Logs           | Reporting logs record actions associated with the processes of the centralized reporting service.                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| Reporting Query Logs     | Reporting query logs record actions associated with the reporting queries that are run on the appliance.                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| SMA Logs                 | <p>SMA logs record actions associated with general Security Management appliance processes, not including the processes of the centralized reporting, centralized tracking, and spam quarantine services.</p> <p>These logs include information about backup scheduling.</p>                             |
| SNMP Logs                | SNMP logs record debug messages related to the SNMP network management engine. In Trace or Debug mode, this includes SNMP requests to the Security Management appliance.                                                                                                                                 |
| Safelist/Blocklist Logs  | Safelist/blocklist logs record data about the safelist/blocklist settings and database.                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| Spam Quarantine GUI Logs | Spam quarantine GUI logs record actions associated with the spam quarantine GUI, such as quarantine configuration through the GUI, end user authentication, and end user actions (for example, releasing email).                                                                                         |
| Spam Quarantine Logs     | Spam quarantine logs record actions associated with the spam quarantine processes.                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| Status Logs              | Status logs record system statistics found in the CLI status commands, including status detail and dnsstatus . The period of recording is set using the setup subcommand in logconfig . Each counter or rate reported in status logs is the value since the last time the counter was reset.             |
| System Logs              | System logs record the following: boot information, DNS status information, and comments users typed using the commit command. System logs are useful for troubleshooting the state of the appliance.                                                                                                    |
| Tracking Logs            | Tracking logs record actions associated with the processes of the tracking service. Tracking logs are a subset of the mail logs.                                                                                                                                                                         |
| Updater Logs             | Information about service updates, such as time zone updates.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Upgrade Logs             | Status information about upgrade download and installation.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |

## Log Type Comparison

The following table summarizes the characteristics of each log type.

**Table 90: Log Type Comparison**

|                            |               |           |                  |                    |                |                             | Contains                      |                      |                         |                         |                           |  |
|----------------------------|---------------|-----------|------------------|--------------------|----------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|--|
|                            | Transactional | Stateless | Recorded as Text | Recorded as Binary | Header Logging | Periodic Status Information | Message Receiving Information | Delivery Information | Individual Hard Bounces | Individual Soft Bounces | Configuration Information |  |
| Authentication Logs        | •             |           | •                |                    |                |                             |                               |                      |                         |                         |                           |  |
| Backup Logs                | •             |           | •                |                    |                |                             |                               |                      |                         |                         |                           |  |
| CLI Audit Logs             | •             |           | •                |                    |                | •                           |                               |                      |                         |                         |                           |  |
| Configuration History Logs | •             |           | •                |                    |                |                             |                               |                      |                         |                         | •                         |  |
| FTP Server Logs            | •             |           | •                |                    |                | •                           |                               |                      |                         |                         |                           |  |
| HTTP Logs                  | •             |           | •                |                    |                | •                           |                               |                      |                         |                         |                           |  |
| Haystack Logs              | •             |           | •                |                    |                |                             |                               |                      |                         |                         |                           |  |
| Text Mail Logs             | •             |           | •                |                    | •              | •                           | •                             | •                    | •                       | •                       |                           |  |
| LDAP Debug Logs            | •             |           | •                |                    |                |                             |                               |                      |                         |                         |                           |  |
| NTP Logs                   | •             |           | •                |                    |                | •                           |                               |                      |                         |                         |                           |  |
| Reporting Logs             | •             |           | •                |                    |                | •                           |                               |                      |                         |                         |                           |  |
| Reporting Query Logs       | •             |           | •                |                    |                | •                           |                               |                      |                         |                         |                           |  |

|                         |   |   |   |   | Contains |   |   |   |   |   |  |  |
|-------------------------|---|---|---|---|----------|---|---|---|---|---|--|--|
| SMA Logs                | • |   | • |   |          | • |   |   |   |   |  |  |
| SNMP Logs               | • |   | • |   |          |   |   |   |   |   |  |  |
| Safelist/Blocklist Logs | • |   | • |   |          | • |   |   |   |   |  |  |
| Spam Quarantine GUI     | • |   | • |   |          | • |   |   |   |   |  |  |
| Spam Quarantine         | • |   | • |   |          | • |   |   |   |   |  |  |
| Status Logs             |   | • | • |   |          | • |   |   |   |   |  |  |
| System Logs             | • |   | • |   |          | • |   |   |   |   |  |  |
| Tracking Logs           | • |   |   | • | •        |   | • | • | • | • |  |  |
| Updater Logs            | • |   | • |   |          |   |   |   |   |   |  |  |

## Using Configuration History Logs

A configuration history log consists of a configuration file with an additional section listing the name of the user, a description of where in the configuration the user made changes, and the comment the user entered when committing the change. Each time a user commits a change, a new log is created containing the configuration file after the change.

### Example

In this example, the configuration history log shows that the user (admin) added a guest user to the table that defines which local users are allowed to log in to the system.

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="ISO-8859-1"?>
<!DOCTYPE config SYSTEM "config.dtd">
<!--
  XML generated by configuration change.
  Change comment: added guest user
  User: admin
  Configuration are described as:
    This table defines which local users are allowed to log into the system.
  Product: M160 Messaging Gateway(tm) Appliance
  Model Number: M160
  Version: 6.7.0-231
  Serial Number: 000000000ABC-D000000
```

```

Number of CPUs: 1
Memory (GB): 4
Current Time: Thu Mar 26 05:34:36 2009
Feature "Centralized Configuration Manager": Quantity = 10, Time Remaining = "25 days"
Feature "Centralized Reporting": Quantity = 10, Time Remaining = "9 days"
Feature "Centralized Tracking": Quantity = 10, Time Remaining = "30 days"
Feature "Centralized Spam Quarantine": Quantity = 10, Time Remaining = "30 days"
Feature "Receiving": Quantity = 1, Time Remaining = "Perpetual"
-->
<config>

```

## Using CLI Audit Logs

The following table describes the statistics recorded in CLI audit logs.

**Table 91: CLI Audit Log Statistics**

| Statistic | Description                                                                                                                                   |
|-----------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Timestamp | Time that the bytes were transmitted.                                                                                                         |
| PID       | Process ID for the particular CLI session in which the command was entered.                                                                   |
| Message   | The message consists of the CLI command that was entered, the CLI output (including menus, lists, and so forth), and the prompt that appears. |

### Example

In this example, the CLI audit log shows that, for PID 16434, the following CLI commands were entered: who , textconfig .

```

Thu Sep  9 14:35:55 2004 Info: PID 16434: User admin entered 'who'; prompt was
'\nmail3.example.com> '
Thu Sep  9 14:37:12 2004 Info: PID 16434: User admin entered 'textconfig'; prompt was
'\nUsername Login Time Idle Time Remote Host What\n
=====
admin Wed 11AM 3m 45s 10.1.3.14 tail\nadmin 02:32PM 0s 10.1.3.14
cli\nmail3.example.com> '
Thu Sep  9 14:37:18 2004 Info: PID 16434: User admin entered ''; prompt was '\nThere are
no text resources currently defined.\n\nChoose the operation you want to perform:\n- NEW
- Create a new text resource.\n- IMPORT - Import a text resource from a file.\n[> '

```

## Using FTP Server Logs

The following table describes the statistics recorded in FTP server logs.

**Table 92: FTP Server Log Statistics**

| Statistic | Description                                                                                                                                            |
|-----------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Timestamp | Time that the bytes were transmitted.                                                                                                                  |
| ID        | Connection ID. A separate ID for each FTP connection.                                                                                                  |
| Message   | The message section of the log entry can be logfile status information, or FTP connection information (login, upload, download, logout, and so forth). |

### Example

In this example, the FTP server log records a connection (ID:1). The IP address of the incoming connection is shown, as well as the activity (uploading and downloading files) and the logout.

```
Wed Sep 8 18:03:06 2004 Info: Begin Logfile
Wed Sep 8 18:03:06 2004 Info: Version: 4.0.0-206 SN: 00065BF3BA6D-9WFWC21
Wed Sep 8 18:03:06 2004 Info: Time offset from UTC: 0 seconds
Wed Sep 8 18:03:06 2004 Info: System is coming up
Fri Sep 10 08:07:32 2004 Info: Time offset from UTC: -25200 seconds
Fri Sep 10 08:07:32 2004 Info: ID:1 Connection from 10.1.3.14 on 172.19.0.86
Fri Sep 10 08:07:38 2004 Info: ID:1 User admin login SUCCESS
Fri Sep 10 08:08:46 2004 Info: ID:1 Upload wording.txt 20 bytes
Fri Sep 10 08:08:57 2004 Info: ID:1 Download words.txt 1191 bytes
Fri Sep 10 08:09:06 2004 Info: ID:1 User admin logout
```

## Using HTTP Logs

The following table describes the statistics recorded in HTTP logs

**Table 93: Statistics Recorded in HTTP Logs**

| Statistic | Description                                                                                                   |
|-----------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Timestamp | Time that the bytes were transmitted.                                                                         |
| ID        | Session ID.                                                                                                   |
| req       | IP address of machine connecting.                                                                             |
| user      | User name of user connecting.                                                                                 |
| Message   | Information regarding the actions performed. May include GET or POST commands or system status, and so forth. |

### Example

In this example, the HTTP log shows the admin user's interaction with the GUI (for example, running the System Setup Wizard).

```
Wed Sep 8 18:17:23 2004 Info: http service on 192.168.0.1:80 redirecting to https port 443
Wed Sep 8 18:17:23 2004 Info: http service listening on 192.168.0.1:80
Wed Sep 8 18:17:23 2004 Info: https service listening on 192.168.0.1:443
Wed Sep 8 11:17:24 2004 Info: Time offset from UTC: -25200 seconds
Wed Sep 8 11:17:24 2004 Info: req:10.10.10.14 user:admin id:iaCkEh2h5rZknQarAecg POST
/system_administration/system_setup_wizard HTTP/1.1 303
Wed Sep 8 11:17:25 2004 Info: req:10.10.10.14 user:admin id:iaCkEh2h5rZknQarAecg GET
/system_administration/ssw_done HTTP/1.1 200
Wed Sep 8 11:18:45 2004 Info: req:10.10.10.14 user:admin id:iaCkEh2h5rZknQarAecg GET
/monitor/incoming_mail_overview HTTP/1.1 200
Wed Sep 8 11:18:45 2004 Info: req:10.10.10.14 user:admin id:iaCkEh2h5rZknQarAecg GET
/monitor/mail_flow_graph?injector=&width=365&interval=0&type=recipientsin&height=190 HTTP/1.1
200
Wed Sep 8 11:18:46 2004 Info: req:10.10.10.14 user:admin id:iaCkEh2h5rZknQarAecg GET
/monitor/classification_graph?injector=&width=325&interval=0&type=recipientsin&height=190
HTTP/1.1 200
Wed Sep 8 11:18:49 2004 Info: req:10.10.10.14 user:admin id:iaCkEh2h5rZknQarAecg GET
/monitor/quarantines HTTP/1.1 200
```

## Using Spam Quarantine Logs

The following table describes the statistics recorded in spam quarantine logs.

**Table 94: Spam Quarantine Log Statistics**

| Statistic | Description                                                                                           |
|-----------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Timestamp | Time that the bytes were transmitted.                                                                 |
| Message   | The message consists of actions taken (messages quarantined, released from quarantine, and so forth). |

### Example

In this example, the log shows two messages (MID 8298624 and MID 8298625) being released from the quarantine to admin@example.com.

```
Mon Aug 14 21:41:47 2006 Info: ISQ: Releasing MID [8298624, 8298625] for all
Mon Aug 14 21:41:47 2006 Info: ISQ: Delivering released MID 8298624 (skipping work queue)
Mon Aug 14 21:41:47 2006 Info: ISQ: Released MID 8298624 to admin@example.com
Mon Aug 14 21:41:47 2006 Info: ISQ: Delivering released MID 8298625 (skipping work queue)
Mon Aug 14 21:41:47 2006 Info: ISQ: Released MID8298625 to admin@example.com
```

## Using Spam Quarantine GUI Logs

The following table shows the statistics recorded in spam quarantine GUI logs.

**Table 95: Spam Quarantine GUI Log Statistics**

| Statistic | Description                                                                         |
|-----------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Timestamp | Time that the bytes were transmitted.                                               |
| Message   | The message consists of actions taken, including user authentication, and so forth. |

### Example

In this example, the log shows a successful authentication, login, and logout:

**Table 96: Spam Quarantine GUI Log Example**

|                                                                                            |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Fri Aug 11 22:05:28 2006 Info: ISQ: Serving HTTP on 192.168.0.1, port 82                   |
| Fri Aug 11 22:05:29 2006 Info: ISQ: Serving HTTPS on 192.168.0.1, port 83                  |
| Fri Aug 11 22:08:35 2006 Info: Authentication OK, user admin                               |
| Fri Aug 11 22:08:35 2006 Info: logout:- user:pqufOtL6vyI5StCqhCfO session:10.251.23.228    |
| Fri Aug 11 22:08:35 2006 Info: login:admin user:pqufOtL6vyI5StCqhCfO session:10.251.23.228 |

```
Fri Aug 11 22:08:44 2006 Info: Authentication OK, user admin
```

## Using Text Mail Logs

These logs contain details of email receiving, email delivery, and bounces. These logs are a useful source of information to understand delivery of specific messages and to analyze system performance.

These logs do not require any special configuration. However, you must configure the system properly to view attachment names, and attachment names may not always be logged. For specifics, see [Tracking Service Overview](#).

The following table shows the information displayed in text mail logs.

**Table 97: Text Mail Log Statistics**

| Statistic | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
|-----------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| ICID      | Injection Connection ID. This is a numerical identifier for an individual SMTP connection to the system. A single message or thousands of individual messages can be sent over one SMTP connection to the system.                             |
| DCID      | Delivery Connection ID. This is a numerical identifier for an individual SMTP connection to another server, for delivery of one to thousands of messages, each with some or all of its RIDs being delivered in a single message transmission. |
| RCID      | RPC Connection ID. This is a numerical identifier for an individual RPC connection to the spam quarantine. It is used to track messages as they are sent to and from the spam quarantine.                                                     |
| MID       | Message ID. Use this to track messages as they flow through the logs.                                                                                                                                                                         |
| RID       | Recipient ID. Each message recipient is assigned an ID.                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| New       | New connection initiated.                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| Start     | New message started.                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |

## Sample Text Mail Log

Use the following sample as a guide to interpret log files.



**Note** Individual lines in log files are *not* numbered. They are numbered here only for sample purposes.

**Table 98: Text Mail Log Detail**

|   |                                                                                                                                                |
|---|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1 | Mon Apr 17 19:56:22 2003 Info: New SMTP ICID 5 interface Management (10.1.1.1) address 10.1.1.209 reverse dns host remotehost.com verified yes |
|---|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|



|    |                                                                                             |
|----|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 2  | Mon Apr 17 19:57:20 2003 Info: Start MID 6<br>ICID 5                                        |
| 3  | Mon Apr 17 19:57:20 2003 Info: MID 6 ICID 5<br>From: <sender@remotehost.com>                |
| 4  | Mon Apr 17 19:58:06 2003 Info: MID 6 ICID 5<br>RID 0 To: <mary@yourdomain.com>              |
| 5  | Mon Apr 17 19:59:52 2003 Info: MID 6 ready<br>100 bytes from <sender@remotehost.com>        |
| 6  | Mon Apr 17 19:59:59 2003 Info: ICID 5 close                                                 |
| 7  | Mon Mar 31 20:10:58 2003 Info: New SMTP DCID<br>8 interface 192.168.42.42 address 10.5.3.25 |
| 8  | Mon Mar 31 20:10:58 2003 Info: Delivery start<br>DCID 8 MID 6 to RID [0]                    |
| 9  | Mon Mar 31 20:10:58 2003 Info: Message done<br>DCID 8 MID 6 to RID [0]                      |
| 10 | Mon Mar 31 20:11:03 2003 Info: DCID 8 close                                                 |

The following table can be used as a guide to reading the previous log file.

**Table 99: Detail of Text Mail Log Example**

| Line Number | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                |
|-------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1           | A new connection is initiated into the system and assigned an Injection ID (ICID) of "5." The connection was received on the Management IP interface and was initiated from the remote host at 10.1.1.209. |
| 2           | The message is assigned a Message ID (MID) of "6" after the MAIL FROM command is issued from the client.                                                                                                   |
| 3           | The sender address is identified and accepted.                                                                                                                                                             |
| 4           | The recipient is identified and assigned a Recipient ID (RID) of "0."                                                                                                                                      |
| 5           | MID 5 is accepted, written to disk, and acknowledged.                                                                                                                                                      |
| 6           | Receiving is successful and the receiving connection closes.                                                                                                                                               |
| 7           | The message delivery process starts. It is assigned a Delivery Connection ID (DCID) of "8" from 192.168.42.42 and to 10.5.3.25.                                                                            |
| 8           | The message delivery starts to RID "0."                                                                                                                                                                    |

| Line Number | Description                                  |
|-------------|----------------------------------------------|
| 9           | Delivery is successful for MID 6 to RID "0." |
| 10          | The delivery connection closes.              |

## Examples of Text Mail Log Entries

The following examples show log entries based on various cases.

### Message Receiving

A message is injected into the appliance for a single recipient. The message is successfully delivered.

```
Wed Jun 16 21:42:34 2004 Info: New SMTP ICID 282204970 interface mail.example.com (1.2.3.4)
  address 2.3.4.5 reverse dns host unknown verified no
Wed Jun 16 21:42:34 2004 Info: ICID 282204970 SBRS None
Wed Jun 16 21:42:35 2004 Info: Start MID 200257070 ICID 282204970
Wed Jun 16 21:42:35 2004 Info: MID 200257070 ICID 282204970 From: <someone@foo.com>
Wed Jun 16 21:42:36 2004 Info: MID 200257070 ICID 282204970 RID 0 To: <user@example.com>
Wed Jun 16 21:42:38 2004 Info: MID 200257070 Message-ID '<37gva9$5uvbhe@mail.example.com>'
Wed Jun 16 21:42:38 2004 Info: MID 200257070 Subject 'Hello'
Wed Jun 16 21:42:38 2004 Info: MID 200257070 ready 24663 bytes from <someone@foo.com>
Wed Jun 16 21:42:38 2004 Info: MID 200257070 antivirus negative
Wed Jun 16 21:42:38 2004 Info: MID 200257070 queued for delivery
Wed Jun 16 21:42:38 2004 Info: New SMTP DCID 2386069 interface 1.2.3.4 address 1.2.3.4
Wed Jun 16 21:42:38 2004 Info: Delivery start DCID 2386069 MID 200257070 to RID [0]
Wed Jun 16 21:42:38 2004 Info: ICID 282204970 close
Wed Jun 16 21:42:38 2004 Info: Message done DCID 2386069 MID 200257070 to RID [0] [('X-SBRS',
  'None')]
Wed Jun 16 21:42:38 2004 Info: MID 200257070 RID [0] Response 2.6.0
<37gva9$5uvbhe@mail.example.com> Queued mail for delivery
Wed Jun 16 21:42:43 2004 Info: DCID 2386069 close
```

### Successful Message Delivery Example

```
Mon Mar 31 20:10:58 2003 Info: New SMTP DCID 5 interface 172.19.0.11 address 63.251.108.110
Mon Mar 31 20:10:58 2003 Info: Delivery start DCID 5 MID 4 to RID [0]
Mon Mar 31 20:10:58 2003 Info: Message done DCID 5 MID 4 to RID [0]
Mon Mar 31 20:11:03 2003 Info: DCID 5 close
```

### Unsuccessful Message Delivery (Hard Bounce)

A message with two recipients is injected into the appliance. Upon delivery, the destination host returns a 5XX error, which indicates that the message cannot be delivered to either recipient. The appliance notifies the sender and removes the recipients from the queue.

```
Mon Mar 31 20:00:23 2003 Info: New SMTP DCID 3 interface 172.19.0.11 address 64.81.204.225
Mon Mar 31 20:00:23 2003 Info: Delivery start DCID 3 MID 4 to RID [0, 1]
Mon Mar 31 20:00:27 2003 Info: Bounced: DCID 3 MID 4 to RID 0 - 5.1.0 - Unknown address
  error ('550', ['<george@yourdomain.com>... Relaying denied']) []
Mon Mar 31 20:00:27 2003 Info: Bounced: DCID 3 MID 4 to RID 1 - 5.1.0 - Unknown address
  error ('550', ['<jane@yourdomain.com>... Relaying denied']) []
Mon Mar 31 20:00:32 2003 Info: DCID 3 close
```

## Soft Bounce with Ultimately Successful Delivery Example

A message is injected into the appliance. On the first delivery attempt, the message soft bounces and is queued for future delivery. On the second attempt, the message is successfully delivered.

```
Mon Mar 31 20:10:58 2003 Info: New SMTP DCID 5 interface 172.19.0.11 address 63.251.108.110
Mon Mar 31 20:00:23 2003 Info: Delivery start DCID 3 MID 4 to RID [0, 1]
Mon Mar 31 20:00:23 2003 Info: Delayed: DCID 5 MID 4 to RID 0 - 4.1.0 - Unknown address
error ('466', ['Mailbox temporarily full.'])[]
Mon Mar 31 20:00:23 2003 Info: Message 4 to RID [0] pending till Mon Mar 31 20:01:23 2003
Mon Mar 31 20:01:28 2003 Info: DCID 5 close
Mon Mar 31 20:01:28 2003 Info: New SMTP DCID 16 interface PublicNet address 172.17.0.113
Mon Mar 31 20:01:28 2003 Info: Delivery start DCID 16 MID 4 to RID [0]
Mon Mar 31 20:01:28 2003 Info: Message done DCID 16 MID 4 to RID [0]
Mon Mar 31 20:01:33 2003 Info: DCID 16 close
```

## Message Scanning Results (scanconfig)

When using the scanconfig command to determine behavior when a message could not be deconstructed into its component parts (when removing attachments) as with this prompt:

If a message could not be deconstructed into its component parts in order to remove specified attachments, the system should:

1. Deliver
  2. Bounce
  3. Drop
- [3]>

the following is the indication in the mail logs:

*With scanconfig set to deliver if message could not be decomposed.*

```
Tue Aug 3 16:36:29 2004 Info: MID 256 ICID 44784 From: <test@virus.org>
Tue Aug 3 16:36:29 2004 Info: MID 256 ICID 44784 RID 0 To: <joe@example.com>
Tue Aug 3 16:36:29 2004 Info: MID 256 Message-ID '<137398.@virus.org>'
Tue Aug 3 16:36:29 2004 Info: MID 256 Subject 'Virus Scanner Test #22'
Tue Aug 3 16:36:29 2004 Info: MID 256 ready 1627 bytes from <test@virus.org>
Tue Aug 3 16:36:29 2004 Warning: MID 256, Message Scanning Problem: Continuation line seen
before first header
Tue Aug 3 16:36:29 2004 Info: ICID 44784 close
Tue Aug 3 16:36:29 2004 Info: MID 256 antivirus positive 'EICAR-AV-Test'
Tue Aug 3 16:36:29 2004 Info: Message aborted MID 256 Dropped by antivirus
Tue Aug 3 16:36:29 2004 Info: Message finished MID 256 done
```

*With scanconfig set to drop if message could not be decomposed.*

```
Tue Aug 3 16:38:53 2004 Info: Start MID 257 ICID 44785
Tue Aug 3 16:38:53 2004 Info: MID 257 ICID 44785 From: test@virus.org
Tue Aug 3 16:38:53 2004 Info: MID 257 ICID 44785 RID 0 To: <joe@example.com>
Tue Aug 3 16:38:53 2004 Info: MID 257 Message-ID '<392912.@virus.org>'
Tue Aug 3 16:38:53 2004 Info: MID 25781 Subject 'Virus Scanner Test #22'
Tue Aug 3 16:38:53 2004 Info: MID 257 ready 1627 bytes from <test@virus.org>
Tue Aug 3 16:38:53 2004 Warning: MID 257, Message Scanning Problem: Continuation line seen
before first header
Tue Aug 3 16:38:53 2004 Info: Message aborted MID 25781 Dropped by filter 'drop_zip_c'
Tue Aug 3 16:38:53 2004 Info: Message finished MID 257 done
Tue Aug 3 16:38:53 2004 Info: ICID 44785 close
```

## Message with Attachment

In this example, a content filter with condition “Message Body Contains” has been configured to enable identification of attachment names:

```
Sat Apr 23 05:05:42 2011 Info: New SMTP ICID 28 interface Management (192.0.2.10)
address 224.0.0.10 reverse dns host test.com verified yes
Sat Apr 23 05:05:42 2011 Info: ICID 28 ACCEPT SG UNKNOWNLIST match sbrs[-1.0:10.0]
SBRs 0.0
Sat Apr 23 05:05:42 2011 Info: Start MID 44 ICID 28
Sat Apr 23 05:05:42 2011 Info: MID 44 ICID 28 From: <sender1@example.com>
Sat Apr 23 05:05:42 2011 Info: MID 44 ICID 28 RID 0 To: <recipient1@example.org>
Sat Apr 23 05:05:42 2011 Info: MID 44 Message-ID '<000001cba32e$ff24ff2e0$d6efd8a0$@com>'
Sat Apr 23 05:05:42 2011 Info: MID 44 Subject 'Message 001'
Sat Apr 23 05:05:42 2011 Info: MID 44 ready 240129 bytes from <sender1@example.com>
Sat Apr 23 05:05:42 2011 Info: MID 44 matched all recipients for per-recipient
policy DEFAULT in the inbound table
Sat Apr 23 05:05:42 2011 Info: ICID 28 close
Sat Apr 23 05:05:42 2011 Info: MID 44 interim verdict using engine: CASE
spam negative
Sat Apr 23 05:05:42 2011 Info: MID 44 using engine: CASE spam negative
Sat Apr 23 05:05:43 2011 Info: MID 44 attachment 'Banner.gif'
Sat Apr 23 05:05:43 2011 Info: MID 44 attachment '=D1=82=D0=B5=D1=81=D1=82.rst'
Sat Apr 23 05:05:43 2011 Info: MID 44 attachment 'Test=20Attachment.docx'
Sat Apr 23 05:05:43 2011 Info: MID 44 queued for delivery
```

Note that the second of the three attachments is Unicode. On terminals that cannot display Unicode, these attachments are represented in quoted-printable format.

## Generated or Rewritten Messages

Some functions, such as rewrite/redirect actions ( alt-rcpt-to filters, anti-spam rcpt rewrite, bcc() actions, anti-virus redirections, and so forth), create new messages. When looking through the logs, you might need to check the results and add in additional MIDs and possibly DCIDs. Entries such as these are possible:

```
Tue Jun 1 20:02:16 2004 Info: MID 14 generated based on MID 13 by bcc filter 'nonetest'
```

or:

```
Tue Jan 6 15:03:18 2004 Info: MID 2 rewritten to 3 by antispam
```

```
Fri May 14 20:44:43 2004 Info: MID 6 rewritten to 7 by alt-rcpt-to-filter filter 'testfilt'
```




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**Note** “Rewritten” entries can appear after lines in the log indicating use of the new MID.

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## Sending a Message to the Spam Quarantine

When you send a message to the quarantine, the mail logs track the movement to and from the quarantine using the RCID (RPC connection ID) to identify the RPC connection. In the following mail log, a message is tagged as spam and sent to the spam quarantine:

```
Wed Feb 14 12:11:40 2007 Info: Start MID 2317877 ICID 15726925
Wed Feb 14 12:11:40 2007 Info: MID 2317877 ICID 15726925 From: <HLD@chasehf.bfi0.com>
Wed Feb 14 12:11:40 2007 Info: MID 2317877 ICID 15726925 RID 0 To: <stevel@healthtrust.org>
Wed Feb 14 12:11:40 2007 Info: MID 2317877 Message-ID
'<W1TH05606E5811BEA0734309D4BAF0.323.14460.pemailer44.DumpShot.2@email.chase.com>'
```

```

Wed Feb 14 12:11:40 2007 Info: MID 2317877 Subject 'Envision your dream home - Now make it
a reality'
Wed Feb 14 12:11:40 2007 Info: MID 2317877 ready 15731 bytes from <HLD@chasehf.bfi0.com>
Wed Feb 14 12:11:40 2007 Info: MID 2317877 matched all recipients for per-recipient policy
DEFAULT in the inbound table
Wed Feb 14 12:11:41 2007 Info: MID 2317877 using engine: CASE spam suspect
Wed Feb 14 12:11:41 2007 Info: EUQ: Tagging MID 2317877 for quarantine
Wed Feb 14 12:11:41 2007 Info: MID 2317877 antivirus negative
Wed Feb 14 12:11:41 2007 Info: MID 2317877 queued for delivery
Wed Feb 14 12:11:44 2007 Info: RPC Delivery start RCID 756814 MID 2317877 to local Spam
Quarantine
Wed Feb 14 12:11:45 2007 Info: EUQ: Quarantined MID 2317877
Wed Feb 14 12:11:45 2007 Info: RPC Message done RCID 756814 MID 2317877
Wed Feb 14 12:11:45 2007 Info: Message finished MID 2317877 done

```

## Using NTP Logs

The following table shows the statistics recorded in NTP logs.

**Table 100: Statistics Recorded in NTP Logs**

| Statistic | Description                                                                                                      |
|-----------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Timestamp | Time that the bytes were transmitted.                                                                            |
| Message   | The message consists of either a Simple Network Time Protocol (SNTP) query to the server, or an adjust: message. |

### Example

In this example, the NTP log shows the appliance polling the NTP host twice.

```

Thu Sep 9 07:36:39 2004 Info: sntp query host 10.1.1.23 delay 653 offset -652
Thu Sep 9 07:36:39 2004 Info: adjust: time_const: 8 offset: -652us next_poll: 4096
Thu Sep 9 08:44:59 2004 Info: sntp query host 10.1.1.23 delay 642 offset -1152
Thu Sep 9 08:44:59 2004 Info: adjust: time_const: 8 offset: -1152us next_poll: 4096

```

## Using Reporting Logs

The following table shows the statistics recorded in reporting logs.

**Table 101: Reporting Log Statistics**

| Statistic | Description                                                                         |
|-----------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Timestamp | Time that the bytes were transmitted.                                               |
| Message   | The message consists of actions taken, including user authentication, and so forth. |

### Example

In this example, the Reporting log shows the appliance set at the information log level.

```

Wed Oct 3 13:39:53 2007 Info: Period minute using 0 (KB)
Wed Oct 3 13:39:53 2007 Info: Period month using 1328 (KB)
Wed Oct 3 13:40:02 2007 Info: Update 2 registered appliance at 2007-10-03-13-40

```

```

Wed Oct 3 13:40:53 2007 Info: Pages found in cache: 1304596 (99%). Not found: 1692
Wed Oct 3 13:40:53 2007 Info: Period hour using 36800 (KB)
Wed Oct 3 13:40:53 2007 Info: Period day using 2768 (KB)
Wed Oct 3 13:40:53 2007 Info: Period minute using 0 (KB)
Wed Oct 3 13:40:53 2007 Info: Period month using 1328 (KB)
Wed Oct 3 13:40:53 2007 Info: HELPER checkpointed in 0.00580507753533 seconds
Wed Oct 3 13:41:02 2007 Info: Update 2 registered appliance at 2007-10-03-13-41
Wed Oct 3 13:41:53 2007 Info: Pages found in cache: 1304704 (99%). Not found: 1692
Wed Oct 3 13:41:53 2007 Info: Period hour using 36800 (KB)
Wed Oct 3 13:41:53 2007 Info: Period day using 2768 (KB)
Wed Oct 3 13:41:53 2007 Info: Period minute using 0 (KB)
Wed Oct 3 13:41:53 2007 Info: Period month using 1328 (KB)
Wed Oct 3 13:42:03 2007 Info: Update 2 registered appliance at 2007-10-03-13-42

```

## Using Reporting Query Logs

The following table shows the statistics recorded in reporting query logs.

**Table 102: Reporting Query Log Statistics**

| Statistic | Description                                                                         |
|-----------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Timestamp | Time that the bytes were transmitted.                                               |
| Message   | The message consists of actions taken, including user authentication, and so forth. |

### Example

In this example, the reporting query log shows the appliance running a daily outgoing email traffic query for the period from August 29 to October 10, 2007.

```

Tue Oct 2 11:30:02 2007 Info: Query: Closing interval handle 811804479.
Tue Oct 2 11:30:02 2007 Info: Query: Closing interval handle 811804480.
Tue Oct 2 11:30:02 2007 Info: Query: Closing query handle 302610228.
Tue Oct 2 11:30:02 2007 Info: Query: Merge query with handle 302610229 for
['MAIL_OUTGOING_TRAFFIC_SUMMARY.
DETECTED_SPAM', 'MAIL_OUTGOING_TRAFFIC_SUMMARY.DETECTED_VIRUS',
'MAIL_OUTGOING_TRAFFIC_SUMMARY.THREAT_CONTENT_FILTER', 'MAIL_OUTGOING_TRAFFIC_SUMMARY.TOTAL_CLEAN_RECIPIENTS',
'MAIL_OUTGOING_TRAFFIC_SUMMARY.TOTAL_RECIPIENTS_PROCESSED'] for rollup period "day" with interval range 2007-08-29 to 2007-10-01
with key constraints
None sorting on ['MAIL_OUTGOING_TRAFFIC_SUMMARY.DETECTED_SPAM'] returning results from 0
to 2 sort_ascending=False.
Tue Oct 2 11:30:02 2007 Info: Query: Closing query handle 302610229.
Tue Oct 2 11:30:02 2007 Info: Query: Merge query with handle 302610230 for
['MAIL_OUTGOING_TRAFFIC_SUMMARY.
TOTAL_HARD_BOUNCES', 'MAIL_OUTGOING_TRAFFIC_SUMMARY.TOTAL_RECIPIENTS_DELIVERED',
'MAIL_OUTGOING_TRAFFIC_SUMMARY.TOTAL_RECIPIENTS_PROCESSED'] for rollup period "day" with interval range 2007-08-29 to 2007-10-01
with key constraints
None sorting on ['MAIL_OUTGOING_TRAFFIC_SUMMARY.TOTAL_HARD_BOUNCES'] returning results
from 0 to 2 sort_ascending=False.
Tue Oct 2 11:30:02 2007 Info: Query: Closing query handle 302610230.

```

## Using Safelist/Blocklist Logs

The following table shows the statistics recorded in safelist/blocklist logs.

**Table 103: Safelist/Blocklist Log Statistics**

| Statistic | Description                                                                         |
|-----------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Timestamp | Time that the bytes were transmitted.                                               |
| Message   | The message consists of actions taken, including user authentication, and so forth. |

### Example

In this example, the safelist/blocklist log shows the appliance creating database snapshots every two hours. It also shows when senders were added to the database.

```
Fri Sep 28 14:22:33 2007 Info: Begin Logfile Fri Sep 28 14:22:33 2007 Info: Version: 6.0.0-425
  SN: XXXXXXXXXXX-XXX Fri Sep 28 14:22:33 2007 Info: Time offset from UTC: 10800 seconds
Fri Sep 28 14:22:33 2007 Info: System is coming up.
Fri Sep 28 14:22:33 2007 Info: SLBL: The database snapshot has been created.
Fri Sep 28 16:22:34 2007 Info: SLBL: The database snapshot has been created.
Fri Sep 28 18:22:34 2007 Info: SLBL: The database snapshot has been created.
Fri Sep 28 20:22:34 2007 Info: SLBL: The database snapshot has been created.
Fri Sep 28 22:22:35 2007 Info: SLBL: The database snapshot has been created.
.....
Mon Oct 1 14:16:09 2007 Info: SLBL: The database snapshot has been created.
Mon Oct 1 14:37:39 2007 Info: SLBL: The database snapshot has been created.
Mon Oct 1 15:31:37 2007 Warning: SLBL: Adding senders to the database failed.
Mon Oct 1 15:32:31 2007 Warning: SLBL: Adding senders to the database failed.
Mon Oct 1 16:37:40 2007 Info: SLBL: The database snapshot has been created.
```

## Using SMA Logs

The following table shows the statistics recorded in SMA logs.

**Table 104: SMA Log Statistics**

| Statistic | Description                                                                         |
|-----------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Timestamp | Time that the bytes were transmitted.                                               |
| Message   | The message consists of actions taken, including user authentication, and so forth. |

### Example

In this example, the SMA log shows the centralized tracking service downloading tracking files from an Email Security appliance, and it shows the centralized reporting service downloading reporting files from an Email Security appliance.

```
Wed Oct 3 13:26:39 2007 Info: TRANSFER: Plugin TRACKINGPLUGIN downloading from 172.29.0.17
  - /export/tracki
ng/tracking.@20071003T202244Z_20071003T202544Z.s
Wed Oct 3 13:28:11 2007 Info: TRANSFER: Plugin TRACKINGPLUGIN downloading from 172.29.0.15
  - /export/tracki
ng/tracking.@20071003T202443Z_20071003T202743Z.s
```

```

Wed Oct 3 13:28:46 2007 Info: TRANSFER: Plugin TRACKINGPLUGIN downloading from 172.29.0.17
- /export/tracki
ng/tracking.@20071003T202544Z_20071003T202844Z.s
Wed Oct 3 13:31:27 2007 Info: TRANSFER: Plugin TRACKINGPLUGIN downloading from 172.29.0.15
- /export/tracki
ng/tracking.@20071003T202743Z_20071003T203043Z.s
Wed Oct 3 13:31:28 2007 Info: TRANSFER: Plugin REPORTINGPLUGIN downloading from 172.29.0.15
- /reporting/ou
tgoing_queue/rpx.2007-10-03-20-15Z.000F1F6ECA7C-2RWDB51.v1.tgz
Wed Oct 3 13:31:53 2007 Info: TRANSFER: Plugin TRACKINGPLUGIN downloading from 172.29.0.17
- /export/tracki
ng/tracking.@20071003T202844Z_20071003T203144Z.s
Wed Oct 3 13:32:31 2007 Info: TRANSFER: Plugin REPORTINGPLUGIN downloading from 172.29.0.17
- /reporting/ou
tgoing_queue/rpx.2007-10-03-20-15Z.0019B9B316E4-JZ41PC1.v1.tgz
Wed Oct 3 13:34:40 2007 Info: TRANSFER: Plugin TRACKINGPLUGIN downloading from 172.29.0.15
- /export/tracki
ng/tracking.@20071003T203043Z_20071003T203343Z.s

```

## Using Status Logs

Status logs record system statistics found in the CLI status commands, including `status`, `status detail`, and `dnsstatus`. The period of recording is set using the `setup` subcommand in `logconfig`. Each counter or rate reported in status logs is the value since the last time the counter was reset.

**Table 105: Status Log Statistics**

| Statistic  | Description                     |
|------------|---------------------------------|
| CPULd      | CPU utilization.                |
| DskIO      | Disk I/O utilization.           |
| RAMUtil    | RAM utilization.                |
| QKUsd      | Queue kilobytes used.           |
| QKFre      | Queue kilobytes free.           |
| CrtMID     | Message ID (MID).               |
| CrtICID    | Injection connection ID (ICID). |
| CRTDCID    | Delivery connection ID (DCID).  |
| InjMsg     | Injected messages.              |
| InjRcp     | Injected recipients.            |
| GenBncRcp  | Generated bounce recipients.    |
| RejRcp     | Rejected recipients.            |
| DrpMsg     | Dropped messages.               |
| SftBncEvnt | Soft bounced events.            |
| CmpRcp     | Completed recipients.           |



| <b>Statistic</b> | <b>Description</b>                                           |
|------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|
| HrdBncRcp        | Hard bounced recipients.                                     |
| DnsHrdBnc        | DNS hard bounces.                                            |
| 5XXHrdBnc        | 5XX hard bounces.                                            |
| FltrHrdBnc       | Filter hard bounces.                                         |
| ExpHrdBnc        | Expired hard bounces.                                        |
| OtrHrdBnc        | Other hard bounces.                                          |
| DlvRcp           | Delivered recipients.                                        |
| DelRcp           | Deleted recipients.                                          |
| GlbUnsbHt        | Global unsubscribe hits.                                     |
| ActvRcp          | Active recipients.                                           |
| UnatmptRcp       | Unattempted recipients.                                      |
| AtmptRcp         | Attempted recipients.                                        |
| CrtCncIn         | Current inbound connections.                                 |
| CrtCncOut        | Current outbound connections.                                |
| DnsReq           | DNS requests.                                                |
| NetReq           | Network requests.                                            |
| CchHit           | Cache hits.                                                  |
| CchMis           | Cache misses.                                                |
| CchEct           | Cache exceptions.                                            |
| CchExp           | Cache expired.                                               |
| CPUTTm           | Total CPU time used by the application.                      |
| CPUETm           | Elapsed time since the application started.                  |
| MaxIO            | Maximum disk I/O operations per second for the mail process. |
| RamUsd           | Allocated memory in bytes.                                   |
| SwIn             | Memory swapped in.                                           |
| SwOut            | Memory swapped out.                                          |
| SwPgIn           | Memory paged in.                                             |
| SwPgOut          | Memory paged out.                                            |

| Statistic | Description                                                                                                                    |
|-----------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| MMLen     | Total number of messages in the system.                                                                                        |
| DstInMem  | Number of destination objects in memory.                                                                                       |
| ResCon    | Resource conservation tarpit value. Acceptance of incoming mail is delayed by this number of seconds due to heavy system load. |
| WorkQ     | Number of messages currently in the work queue.                                                                                |
| QuarMsgs  | Number of individual messages in the system quarantine (messages present in multiple quarantines are counted only once).       |
| QuarQKUsd | Kilobytes used by system quarantine messages.                                                                                  |
| LogUsd    | Percent of log partition used.                                                                                                 |
| CASELd    | Percent CPU used by CASE scanning.                                                                                             |
| TotalLd   | Total CPU consumption.                                                                                                         |
| LogAvail  | Amount of disk space available for log files.                                                                                  |
| EuQ       | Number of messages in the spam quarantine.                                                                                     |
| EuQRls    | Number of messages in the spam quarantine release queue.                                                                       |

#### Example

```
Fri Feb 24 15:14:39 2006 Info: Status: CPULd 0 DskIO 0 RAMUtil 2 QKUsd 0 QKFre 8388608
CrtMID 19036 CrtICID 35284 CrtDCID 4861 InjMsg 13889 InjRcp 14230 GenBncRcp 12 RejRcp 6318
  DrpMsg 7437 SftBncEvt 1816 CmpRcp 6813 HrdBncRcp 18 DnsHrdBnc 2 5XXHrdBnc 15 FltrHrdBnc
0 ExpHrdBnc 1 OtrHrdBnc 0 DlvRcp 6793 DelRcp 2 GlbUnsbHt 0 ActvRcp 0 UnatmptRcp 0 AtmptRcp
0 CrtCncIn 0 CrtCncOut 0 DnsReq 143736 NetReq 224227 CchHit 469058 CchMis 504791 CchEct
15395 CchExp 55085 CPUTm 228 CPUETm 181380 MaxIO 350 RAMUsd 21528056 MMLen 0 DstInMem 4
ResCon 0 WorkQ 0 QuarMsgs 0 QuarQKUsd 0 LogUsd 3 AVLd 0 BMLd 0 CASELd 3 TotalLd 3 LogAvail
17G EuQ 0 EuQRls 0
```

## Using System Logs

The following table shows the statistics recorded in system logs.

**Table 106: System Log Statistics**

| Statistic | Description                           |
|-----------|---------------------------------------|
| Timestamp | Time that the bytes were transmitted. |
| Message   | The logged event.                     |

#### Example

In this example, the system log shows some commit entries, including the name of the user issuing the commit and the comment entered.

```

Wed Sep 8 18:02:45 2004 Info: Version: 6.0.0-206 SN: XXXXXXXXXXXX-XXX
Wed Sep 8 18:02:45 2004 Info: Time offset from UTC: 0 seconds
Wed Sep 8 18:02:45 2004 Info: System is coming up
Wed Sep 8 18:02:49 2004 Info: bootstrapping DNS cache
Wed Sep 8 18:02:49 2004 Info: DNS cache bootstrapped
Wed Sep 8 18:13:30 2004 Info: PID 608: User admin commit changes: SSW:Passphrase
Wed Sep 8 18:17:23 2004 Info: PID 608: User admin commit changes: Completed Web::SSW
Thu Sep 9 08:49:27 2004 Info: Time offset from UTC: -25200 seconds
Thu Sep 9 08:49:27 2004 Info: PID 1237: User admin commit changes: Added a second CLI log
    for examples
Thu Sep 9 08:51:53 2004 Info: PID 1237: User admin commit changes: Removed example CLI
log.

```

## Understanding Tracking Logs

Tracking logs record information about the email operations of AsyncOS. The log messages are a subset of the messages recorded in the mail logs.

The tracking logs are used by the message tracking component to build the message tracking database. Because the log files are consumed in the process of building the database, the tracking logs are transient. The information in tracking logs is not designed to be read or analyzed by humans.

Tracking logs are recorded and transferred in a binary format for resource efficiency. The information is laid out in a logical manner and is human-readable after conversion using a utility provided by Cisco. The conversion tools are located at the following URL: <http://tinyurl.com/3c5l8r>.

## Log Subscriptions

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## Configuring Log Subscriptions

Log subscriptions create the individual log files that are stored on a Cisco Content Security appliance or remotely. A log subscription is either pushed (delivered to another computer) or polled (retrieved from the appliance). Generally, log subscriptions have the following attributes:

**Table 107: Log File Attributes**

| Attribute    | Description                                                                                                                                                                                         |
|--------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Log Type     | Defines the type of information recorded and the format of the log subscription. For more information, see <a href="#">Summary of Log Types, on page 521</a> .                                      |
| Name         | Descriptive name of log subscription that you provide for your future reference.                                                                                                                    |
| Log Filename | Physical name of the file when it is written to disk. If the system includes multiple content security appliances, use a unique log filename to identify the appliance that generated the log file. |

| Attribute             | Description                                                                                                                                                |
|-----------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Rollover by File Size | Maximum size that the file can reach before it rolls over.                                                                                                 |
| Rollover by Time      | When to roll over log files, based on time. See options at <a href="#">Log Rollover and Transfer Schedule, on page 518</a> .                               |
| Rate Limit            | Sets the maximum number of logged events in the log file, within the specified time range (in seconds).<br><br>The default time range value is 10 seconds. |
| Log Level             | Level of detail for each log subscription.                                                                                                                 |
| Retrieval Method      | Method used to transfer the log files from the appliance.                                                                                                  |

Use the **Management Appliance > System Administration > Log Subscriptions** page (or the `logconfig` command in the CLI) to configure a log subscription. You are prompted for the log type, as shown in [Summary of Log Types, on page 521](#). For most log types, you are also asked to select a *log level* for the log subscription.



**Note** Configuration history logs only: If you anticipate loading configurations from the configuration history logs, be aware that you cannot load configurations containing masked passphrases. On the **Management Appliance > System Administration > Log Subscriptions** page, select `yes` when prompted whether you want to include passphrase in the log. If you are using the `logconfig` command in the CLI, type `y` when prompted.

## Setting the Log Level

Log levels determine the amount of information delivered in a log. Logs can have one of five levels of detail. A detailed log-level setting creates larger log files and has a greater impact on system performance than an abbreviated log-level setting. A detailed log-level setting includes all the messages contained in the abbreviated log-level settings, plus additional messages. As the level of detail increases, system performance decreases.



**Note** You can specify different logging levels for each log type.


**Table 108: Log Levels**

| Log Level | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
|-----------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Critical  | Only errors are logged. This is the most abbreviated log-level setting. At this log level, you cannot monitor performance and important appliance activities; however, the log files do not reach maximum size as quickly as they do at a detailed log level. This log level is analogous to the syslog level Alert. |
| Warning   | All system errors and warnings are logged. At this log level, you cannot monitor performance and important appliance activities. The log files reach maximum size more quickly than they do at the Critical log level. This log level is analogous to the syslog level Warning.                                      |

| Log Level   | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
|-------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Information | Second-by-second operations of the system are logged. For example, connections opened and delivery attempts are logged. The Information level is the recommended setting for logs. This log level is analogous to the syslog level Info.                         |
| Debug       | More detailed information is logged than at the Information log level. Use the Debug log level when you are troubleshooting an error. Use this setting temporarily, and then return to the default level. This log level is analogous to the syslog level Debug. |
| Trace       | All available information is logged. The Trace log level is recommended only for developers. Using this level causes a serious degradation of system performance and is not recommended. This log level is analogous to the syslog level Debug.                  |

## Creating a Log Subscription in the GUI

### Procedure

- 
- Step 1** [New Web Interface Only] On the Security Management appliance, click  to load the legacy web interface.
- Step 2** On the **Management Appliance > System Administration > Log Subscriptions** page, click **Add Log Subscription**.
- Step 3** Select a log type and enter the log name (for the log directory), as well as the name for the log file itself.
- Step 4** If applicable, specify the maximum file size.
- Step 5** If applicable, specify days, times of day, or time intervals to roll over the logs. For more information, see [Log Rollover and Transfer Schedule, on page 518](#).
- Step 6** If applicable, specify the maximum number of logged events in the log file, within the specified time range (in seconds).
- Step 7** If applicable, specify the log level.
- Step 8** (Configuration history logs only) Select whether to include passphrases in the log.
- Note** You cannot load configurations containing masked passphrases. If you anticipate loading configurations from the configuration history logs, select Yes to include passphrases in the log.
- Step 9** Configure the log retrieval method.
- Step 10** Submit and commit your changes.
- 

## Editing Log Subscriptions

### Procedure

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- Step 1** Click the name of the log in the Log Name column on the Log Subscriptions page.
- Step 2** Update the log subscription.

**Step 3** Submit and commit your changes.

## Configuring Global Settings for Logging

The system periodically records system metrics within text mail logs and status logs. Use the **Edit Settings** button in the Global Settings section of the Log Subscriptions page (or the `logconfig -> setup` command in the CLI) to configure:

- The amount of time, in seconds, that the system waits between recording metrics
- Whether to record the Message ID headers
- Whether to record the remote response status code
- Whether to record the subject header of the original message
- The headers that should be logged for each message

All Cisco Content Security appliance logs optionally include the following three items:

- **Message-ID:** When this option is configured, every message will have its Message ID header logged, if it is available. This Message ID may have come from the received message or may have been generated by AsyncOS. For example:

```
Tue Apr 6 14:38:34 2004 Info: MID 1 Message-ID Message-ID-Content
```

- **Remote Response:** When this option is configured, every message will have its remote response status code logged, if it is available. For example:

```
Tue Apr 6 14:38:34 2004 Info: MID 1 RID [0] Response 'queued as 9C8B425DA7'
```

The remote response string is the human-readable text received after the response to the DATA command during the delivery SMTP conversation. In this example, the remote response after the connection host issued the data command is “queued as 9C8B425DA7.”

```
[...]
250 ok hostname
250 Ok: queued as 9C8B425DA7
```

White space, punctuation, and, in the case of the 250 response, the OK characters are stripped from the beginning of the string. Only white space is stripped from the end of the string. For example, Cisco Content Security appliances, by default, respond to the DATA command with this string: `250 Ok: Message MID accepted`. So, the entry “Message MID accepted” would be logged if the remote host were another Cisco Content Security appliance.

- **Original Subject Header:** When this option is enabled, the original subject header of each message is included in the log.

```
Tue May 31 09:20:27 2005 Info: Start MID 2 ICID 2
Tue May 31 09:20:27 2005 Info: MID 2 ICID 2 From: <mary@example.com>
Tue May 31 09:20:27 2005 Info: MID 2 ICID 2 RID 0 To: <joe@example.com>
Tue May 31 09:20:27 2005 Info: MID 2 Message-ID '<44e4n$2@example.com>'
Tue May 31 09:20:27 2005 Info: MID 2 Subject 'Monthly Reports Due'
```

## Logging Message Headers

In some cases, it is necessary to record the presence and contents of a message's headers as they pass through the system. You specify the headers to record on the Log Subscriptions Global Settings page (or via the `logconfig -> logheaders` subcommand in the CLI). The appliance records the specified message headers in the text mail logs and the tracking logs. If the header is present, the system records the name of the header and the value. If a header is not present, nothing is recorded in the logs.



**Note** The system evaluates all headers that are present on a message, at any time during the processing of the message for recording, regardless of the headers specified for logging.



**Note** The RFC for the SMTP protocol is located at <http://www.faqs.org/rfcs/rfc2821.html> and defines user-defined headers.



**Note** If you have configured headers to log via the `logheaders` command, the header information appears after the delivery information:

**Table 109: Log Headers**

| Header name | Name of the header            |
|-------------|-------------------------------|
| Value       | Contents of the logged header |

For example, specifying “date, x-subject” as headers to be logged causes the following line to appear in the mail log:

```
Tue May 31 10:14:12 2005 Info: Message done DCID 0 MID 3 to RID [0] [('date', 'Tue, 31 May 2005 10:13:18 -0700'), ('x-subject', 'Logging this header')]
```

## Configuring Global Settings for Logging by Using the GUI

### Procedure

- Step 1** Click the **Edit Settings** button in the Global Settings section of the Log Subscriptions page.
- Step 2** Specify the system metrics frequency, whether to include Message ID headers in mail logs, whether to include the remote response, and whether to include the original subject header of each message.  
For information about these settings, see [Configuring Global Settings for Logging, on page 542](#).
- Step 3** Enter any other headers you want to include in the logs. Separate each entry with a comma.
- Step 4** Submit and commit your changes.

## Rolling Over Log Subscriptions

When AsyncOS rolls over a log file, it:

- Creates a new log file with the timestamp of the rollover and designates the file as current with the letter “c” extension
- Renames the current log file to have a letter “s” extension signifying saved
- Transfers the newly saved log file to a remote host (if push-based)
- Transfers any previously unsuccessful log files from the same subscription (if push-based)
- Deletes the oldest file in the log subscription if the total number of files to keep on hand has been exceeded (if poll-based)

What To Do Next

## Rolling Over Logs in Log Subscriptions

See [Log Rollover and Transfer Schedule](#), on page 518.

## Rolling Over Logs Immediately Using the GUI

### Procedure

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- Step 1** On the Log Subscriptions page, select the check box to the right of the logs you want to roll over.
- Step 2** Optionally, select all logs for rollover by selecting the **All** check box.
- Step 3** Click the **Rollover Now** button.
- 

### What to do next

- [Rolling Over Logs in Log Subscriptions](#) , on page 544
- [Rolling Over Logs Immediately via the CLI](#), on page 544

## Rolling Over Logs Immediately via the CLI

Use the rollovernow command to roll over all log files at once or select a specific log file from a list.

## Viewing the Most Recent Log Entries in the GUI

You can view a log file via the GUI by clicking the log subscription in the Log Files column of the table on the Log Subscriptions page. When you click the link to the log subscription, you are prompted to enter your passphrase. A listing of log files for that subscription then appears. You can click one of the log files to view it in your browser or to save it to disk. You must have the FTP service enabled on the Management interface to view logs in the GUI.



## Viewing the Most Recent Entries in Logs (tail Command)

AsyncOS supports a tail command, which shows the latest entries of configured logs on the appliance. Issue the tail command and select the number of a currently configured log to view it. Press Ctrl-C to exit from the tail command.



**Note** You cannot view configuration history logs by using the tail command. You must use FTP or SCP.

### Example

In the following example, the tail command is used to view the system log. The tail command also accepts the name of a log to view as a parameter, for example, tail system\_logs

```
Welcome to the M600 Messaging Gateway(tm) Appliance
example.srv> tail
Currently configured logs:
1. "cli_logs" Type: "CLI Audit Logs" Retrieval: FTP Poll
2. "eug_logs" Type: "Spam Quarantine Logs" Retrieval: FTP Poll
3. "euggui_logs" Type: "Spam Quarantine GUI Logs" Retrieval: FTP Poll
4. "gui_logs" Type: "HTTP Logs" Retrieval: FTP Poll
5. "mail_logs" Type: "Text Mail Logs" Retrieval: FTP Poll
6. "reportd_logs" Type: "Reporting Logs" Retrieval: FTP Poll
7. "reportqueryd_logs" Type: "Reporting Query Logs" Retrieval: FTP Poll
8. "slbld_logs" Type: "Safe/Block Lists Logs" Retrieval: FTP Poll
9. "smad_logs" Type: "SMA Logs" Retrieval: FTP Poll
10. "system_logs" Type: "System Logs" Retrieval: FTP Poll
11. "trackerd_logs" Type: "Tracking Logs" Retrieval: FTP Poll
Enter the number of the log you wish to tail.
[]> 10
Press Ctrl-C to stop.
Thu Sep 27 00:18:56 2007 Info: Begin Logfile
Thu Sep 27 00:18:56 2007 Info: Version: 6.0.0-422 SN: 001143583D73-FT9GP61
Thu Sep 27 00:18:56 2007 Info: Time offset from UTC: 0 seconds
Thu Sep 27 00:18:47 2007 Info: System is coming up.
Thu Sep 27 00:23:05 2007 Warning: DNS query network error '[Errno 64] Host is down' to
'172.16.0.3' looking up 'downloads.cisco.com'
Fri Sep 28 22:20:08 2007 Info: PID 688: User admin commit changes:
Fri Sep 28 23:06:15 2007 Info: PID 688: User admin commit changes:
^Cexample.srv>
```

## Configuring Host Keys

Use the logconfig -> hostkeyconfig subcommand to manage host keys for use with SSH when pushing logs to other servers from the Cisco Content Security appliance. SSH servers must have a pair of host keys, one private and one public. The private host key resides on the SSH server and cannot be read by remote machines. The public host key is distributed to any client machine that needs to interact with the SSH server.



**Note** To manage user keys, see “Managing Secure Shell (SSH) Keys” in the user guide or online help for your Email Security appliance.

The hostkeyconfig subcommand performs the following functions:

Table 110: Managing Host Keys - List of Subcommands

| Command     | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
|-------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| New         | Add a new key.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| Edit        | Modify an existing key.                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| Delete      | Delete an existing key.                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| Scan        | Automatically download a host key.                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Print       | Display a key.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| Host        | Display system host keys. This is the value to place in the remote system's "known_hosts" file.                                                                                                                                                |
| Fingerprint | Display system host key fingerprints.                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| User        | Display the public key of the system account that pushes the logs to the remote machine. This is the same key that appears when setting up an SCP push subscription. This is the value to place in the remote system's "authorized_keys" file. |

### Example

In the following example, the commands scan for host keys and add them for the host:

```
mail3.example.com> logconfig
Currently configured logs:
[ list of logs
]
Choose the operation you want to perform:
- NEW - Create a new log.
- EDIT - Modify a log subscription.
- DELETE - Remove a log subscription.
- SETUP - General settings.
- LOGHEADERS - Configure headers to log.
- HOSTKEYCONFIG - Configure SSH host keys.
[ ]> hostkeyconfig
Currently installed host keys:
1. mail3.example.com ssh-dss [ key displayed ]
Choose the operation you want to perform:
- NEW - Add a new key.
- EDIT - Modify a key.
- DELETE - Remove a key.
- SCAN - Automatically download a host key.
- PRINT - Display a key.
- HOST - Display system host keys.
- FINGERPRINT - Display system host key fingerprints.
- USER - Display system user keys.
[ ]> scan
Please enter the host or IP address to lookup.
[ ]> mail3.example.com
Choose the ssh protocol type:
1. SSH2:rsa
2. SSH2:dsa
3. All
[3]>
SSH2:dsa
mail3.example.com ssh-dss
```

```
[ key displayed
]
SSH2:rsa
mail3.example.com ssh-rsa
[ key displayed
]
Add the preceding host key(s) for mail3.example.com? [Y]>
Currently installed host keys:
1. mail3.example.com ssh-dss [ key displayed
]
2. mail3.example.com ssh-rsa [ key displayed
]
3. mail3.example.com 1024 35 [ key displayed
]
Choose the operation you want to perform:
- NEW - Add a new key.
- EDIT - Modify a key.
- DELETE - Remove a key.
- SCAN - Automatically download a host key.
- PRINT - Display a key.
- HOST - Display system host keys.
- FINGERPRINT - Display system host key fingerprints.
- USER - Display system user keys.
[]>
Currently configured logs:
[ list of configured logs
]
Choose the operation you want to perform:
- NEW - Create a new log.
- EDIT - Modify a log subscription.
- DELETE - Remove a log subscription.
- SETUP - General settings.
- LOGHEADERS - Configure headers to log.
- HOSTKEYCONFIG - Configure SSH host keys.
[]>
mail3.example.com> commit
```





# CHAPTER 18

## Troubleshooting

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This chapter contains the following sections:

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- [Troubleshooting Hardware Issues](#) , on page 549
- [Troubleshooting Feature Setup Issues](#) , on page 549
- [General Troubleshooting Resources](#) , on page 550
- [Troubleshooting Issues with Specific Functionality](#) , on page 550
- [Working with Technical Support](#), on page 551
- [Running a Packet Capture](#), on page 554
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### Collecting System Information

You can get information about your appliance and its status, including your serial number. Refer [Monitoring System Status](#), on page 359

### Troubleshooting Hardware Issues

Lights on the front and/or rear panels of your hardware appliance indicate health and status of your appliance. For descriptions of these indicators, see the hardware guides such as the *Cisco x90 Series Content Security Appliances Installation and Maintenance Guide* available from the location specified in.

Specifications for your appliance, such as temperature ranges, are also available in these documents.



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**Note** If you need to cycle power to your x80 or x90 appliance, wait at least 20 minutes for the appliance to come up (all LEDs are green) before pushing the power button.

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### Troubleshooting Feature Setup Issues

If you are experiencing difficulty configuring a feature successfully, see the summaries of the tasks you must complete for each feature. These include links to specific information for each.

- [Setting Up Centralized Web Reporting and Tracking](#) , on page 165
- [Setting Up Centralized Email Reporting](#), on page 50
- [Setting Up Centralized Message Tracking](#) , on page 248
- [Setting Up the Centralized Spam Quarantine](#)
- [Centralized Policy, Virus, and Outbreak Quarantines](#), on page 299
- [Using Configuration Masters to Centrally Manage Web Security Appliances](#) , on page 328

## General Troubleshooting Resources

General troubleshooting resources include:

- Recent alerts. See [Viewing Recent Alerts](#) , on page 474.
- Log files. See [Logging](#), on page 517
- The Release Notes, including the Documentation Updates section. See [Documentation](#) , on page 577.
- The Cisco Bug Search Tool (instructions for access are in the Release Notes)
- [Knowledge Base Articles \(TechNotes\)](#) , on page 579
- [The Cisco Support Community](#), on page 579

## Troubleshooting Issues with Specific Functionality

See also [Troubleshooting Feature Setup Issues](#) , on page 549.

### Web Security-Related Issues

- [Troubleshooting All Reports](#) , on page 33
- [Troubleshooting Web Reporting and Tracking](#) , on page 243
- [Troubleshooting Configuration Management Issues](#) , on page 356
- Feature-related issues may also result from settings on your Web Security appliances. See the release notes and online help or user guide for your release at the location specified in [Documentation](#) , on page 577.

### Email Security-Related Issues

- [Troubleshooting All Reports](#) , on page 33
- [Troubleshooting Message Tracking](#), on page 263
- [Troubleshooting Spam Quarantine Features](#) , on page 297
- [Troubleshooting Centralized Policy Quarantines](#) , on page 325
- Feature-related issues may also result from settings on your Email Security appliances. See the release notes and online help or user guide for your release at the location specified in [Documentation](#) , on page 577.

### General Issues

- If you are unable to load a configuration file, make sure your disk space quotas are larger than the current size of each function in the table on the **Management Appliance > System Administration > Disk Management** page.
- If you have recently upgraded and the online help appears to be outdated or you cannot find the information about a new feature, clear your browser cache and then reopen the browser window.
- Unexpected behavior can occur when configuring settings using the web interface if you are using multiple browser windows or tabs simultaneously.
- See [Responding to Alerts](#) , on page 551.
- See [Troubleshooting Administrative User Access](#) , on page 429.

## Responding to Alerts

- [Alert: Battery Relearn Timed Out \(RAID Event\) on 380 or 680 Hardware](#), on page 551
- [Additional Alert Descriptions](#) , on page 551

### Alert: Battery Relearn Timed Out (RAID Event) on 380 or 680 Hardware

**Problem:** You receive an alert with subject “Battery Relearn Timed Out” for 380 or 680 hardware.

**Solution:** This alert may or may not indicate a problem. The battery relearn timeout, in itself, does not mean there is any problem with the RAID controller. The controller can recover in the subsequent relearn. Please monitor your email for any other RAID alerts for the next 48 hours, to ensure that this is not the side-effect of any other problem. If you do not see any other RAID-related alerts from the system, then you can safely ignore this alert.

### Additional Alert Descriptions

For descriptions of additional alerts, see

- [Hardware Alert Descriptions](#) , on page 475
- [System Alert Descriptions](#) , on page 475

What to do next

- [Managing Alerts](#), on page 472

## Working with Technical Support

- [Opening or Updating a Support Case from the Appliance](#) , on page 551
- [Getting Support for Virtual Appliances](#) , on page 552
- [Enabling Remote Access for Cisco Technical Support Personnel](#) , on page 552

### Opening or Updating a Support Case from the Appliance

You can use this method to contact Cisco TAC or your own support services.

### Before you begin

If you wish to contact Cisco TAC:

- If your issue is urgent, do not use this method. Instead, contact support using one of the other methods listed in [Customer Support](#), on page 579.
- Consider other options for getting help:
- When you open a support case using this procedure, the appliance configuration file is sent to Cisco Customer Support. If you do not want to send the appliance configuration, you can contact Customer Support using a different method.
- The appliance must be connected to the internet and able to send email.
- If you are sending information about an existing case, make sure you have the case number.

### Procedure

- Step 1** Log in to the appliance.
- Step 2** Choose **Help and Support > Contact Technical Support**.
- Step 3** Determine the recipients of the support request:

|                                                        |                                                                                                                                                                     |
|--------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| To send the request to Cisco TAC                       | Select the <b>Cisco Technical Support</b> check box.                                                                                                                |
| To send the request only to your internal support desk | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Deselect the <b>Cisco Technical Support</b> check box.</li> <li>• Enter the email address of your support desk.</li> </ul> |
| (Optional) To include other recipients                 | Enter email addresses.                                                                                                                                              |

- Step 4** Complete the form.
- Step 5** Click **Send**.

## Getting Support for Virtual Appliances

If you file a support case for a Cisco content security virtual appliance, you must provide your Virtual License Number (VLN), your contract number, and your Product Identifier code (PID).

You can identify your PID based on the software licenses running on your virtual appliance, by referencing your purchase order, or from the following table:

| Functionality                                | PID           | Description |
|----------------------------------------------|---------------|-------------|
| All centralized web security functionality   | SMA-WMGT-LIC= | —           |
| All centralized email security functionality | SMA-EMGT-LIC= |             |

## Enabling Remote Access for Cisco Technical Support Personnel

Only Cisco Customer Assistance can access your appliance using these methods.



- [Enabling Remote Access for Cisco Technical Support Personnel](#) , on page 552
- [Enabling Remote Access to Appliances Without a Direct Internet Connection](#) , on page 553
- [Disabling a Tech Support Tunnel](#) , on page 554
- [Disabling Remote Access](#) , on page 554
- [Checking the Status of the Support Connection](#) , on page 554

## Enabling Remote Access to Appliances With an Internet Connection

Support accesses the appliance through an SSH tunnel that this procedure creates between the appliance and the upgrades.ironport.com server.

### Before you begin

Identify a port that can be reached from the internet. The default is port25 which will work in most environment . Connections over this port are allowed in most firewall configurations.

### Procedure

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- Step 1** Log in to the appliance.
  - Step 2** From the top right side of the GUI window, choose **Help and Support > Remote Access**.
  - Step 3** Click **Enable**.
  - Step 4** Enter information.
  - Step 5** Click **Submit**.
- 

### What to do next

When remote access for support personnel is no longer required, see [Disabling a Tech Support Tunnel](#) , on page 554.

## Enabling Remote Access to Appliances Without a Direct Internet Connection

For appliances without a direct internet connection, access is made through a second appliance that is connected to the internet.

### Before you begin

- The appliance must be able to connect on port 22 to a second appliance that is connected to the internet.
- On the appliance with the internet connection, follow the procedure in [Enabling Remote Access to Appliances With an Internet Connection](#) , on page 553 to create a support tunnel to that appliance.

### Procedure

- 
- Step 1** From the command-line interface of the appliance requiring support, enter the `techsupport` command.
  - Step 2** Enter `sshaccess` .
  - Step 3** Follow the prompts.
-

### What to do next

When remote access for support personnel is no longer required, see the following:

- [Disabling Remote Access](#) , on page 554
- [Disabling a Tech Support Tunnel](#) , on page 554

## Disabling a Tech Support Tunnel

An enabled techsupport tunnel remains connected to upgrades.ironport.com for 7 days. After that time, established connections will not be disconnected but will be unable to re-attach to the tunnel once disconnected.

### Procedure

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- Step 1** Log in to the appliance.
- Step 2** From the top right side of the GUI window, choose **Help and Support > Remote Access**.
- Step 3** Click **Disable**.
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## Disabling Remote Access

A remote access account that you create using the techsupport command remains active until you deactivate it.

### Procedure

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- Step 1** From the command-line interface, enter the `techsupport` command.
- Step 2** Enter `sshaccess .`
- Step 3** Enter `disable .`
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## Checking the Status of the Support Connection

### Procedure

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- Step 1** From the command-line interface, enter the `techsupport` command.
- Step 2** Enter `status .`
- 

## Running a Packet Capture

Packet Capture allows support personnel to see the TCP/IP data and other packets going into and out of the appliance. This allows Support to debug the network setup and to discover what network traffic is reaching the appliance or leaving the appliance.

## Procedure

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**Step 1** Choose **Help and Support > Packet Capture**.

**Step 2** Specify packet capture settings:

- a) In the **Packet Capture Settings** section, click **Edit Settings**.
- b) (Optional) Enter duration, limits, and filters for the packet capture.

Your Support representative may give you guidance on these settings.

If you enter a capture duration without specifying a unit of time, AsyncOS uses seconds by default.

In the Filters section:

- Custom filters can use any syntax supported by the Unix `tcpdump` command, such as `host 10.10.10.10 && port 80`.
- The client IP is the IP address of the machine connecting to the appliance, such as a mail client sending messages through the Email Security appliance.
- The server IP is the IP address of the machine to which the appliance is connecting, such as an Exchange server to which the appliance is delivering messages.

You can use the client and server IP addresses to track traffic between a specific client and a specific server, with the Email Security appliance in the middle.

- c) Click **Submit**.

**Step 3** Click **Start Capture**.

- Only one capture may be running at a time.
- When a packet capture is running, the Packet Capture page shows the status of the capture in progress by showing the current statistics, such as file size and time elapsed.
- The GUI only displays packet captures started in the GUI, not from the CLI. Similarly, the CLI only displays the status of a current packet capture run started in the CLI.
- The packet capture file is split into ten parts. If the file reaches the maximum size limit before the packet capture ends, the oldest part of the file is deleted (the data is discarded) and a new part starts with the current packet capture data. Only 1/10 of the packet capture file is discarded at a time.
- A running capture started in the GUI is preserved between sessions. (A running capture started in the CLI stops when the session ends.)

**Step 4** Allow the capture to run for the specified duration, or, if you have let the capture run indefinitely, manually stop the capture by clicking **Stop Capture**.

**Step 5** Access the packet capture file:

- Click the file in the **Manage Packet Capture Files** list and click **Download File**.
- Use FTP or SCP to access the file in the captures subdirectory on the appliance.

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## What to do next

Make the file available to Support:

- If you allow remote access to your appliance, technicians can access the packet capture files using FTP or SCP. See [Enabling Remote Access for Cisco Technical Support Personnel](#), on page 552.
- Email the file to Support.

# Remotely Resetting Appliance Power

If the appliance requires a hard reset, you can reboot the appliance chassis remotely using a third-party Intelligent Platform Management Interface (IPMI) tool.

## Restrictions

- Remote power cycling is available only on certain hardware.  
For specifics, see [Enabling Remote Power Cycling](#), on page 447.
- If you want to be able to use this feature, you must enable it in advance.  
For details, see [Enabling Remote Power Cycling](#), on page 447.
- Only the following IPMI commands are supported:  
`status, on, off, cycle, reset, diag, soft`  
Issuing unsupported commands will produce an “insufficient privileges” error.

## Before you begin

- Obtain and set up a utility that can manage devices using IPMI version 2.0.
- Understand how to use the supported IPMI commands. See the documentation for your IPMI tool.

## Procedure

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**Step 1** Use IPMI to issue a supported power-cycling command to the IP address assigned to the Remote Power Cycle port, which you configured earlier, along with the required credentials.

For example, from a UNIX-type machine with IPMI support, you might issue the command:

```
ipmitool -I lan -H 192.0.2.1 -U remoteresetuser -P passphrase chassis power reset
```

where `192.0.2.1` is the IP address assigned to the Remote Power Cycle port and `remoteresetuser` and `passphrase` are the credentials that you entered while enabling this feature.

**Step 2** Wait at least eleven minutes for the appliance to reboot.

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# APPENDIX **A**

## IP Interfaces and Accessing the Appliance

This chapter contains the following sections:

- [IP Interfaces and Accessing the Appliance, on page 557](#)
- [IP Interfaces, on page 557](#)

## IP Interfaces and Accessing the Appliance

You can access any IP interface you create on a Cisco Content Security appliance through a variety of services. By default, the following services are either enabled or disabled on each interface:

**Table 111: Services Enabled by Default on IP Interfaces**

|         |              | Enabled by default?  |                              |
|---------|--------------|----------------------|------------------------------|
| Service | Default Port | Management Interface | New IP Interfaces You Create |
| FTP     | 21           | No                   | No                           |
| Telnet  | 23           | Yes                  | No                           |
| SSH     | 22           | Yes                  | No                           |
| HTTP    | 80           | Yes                  | No                           |
| HTTPS   | 443          | Yes                  | No                           |

## IP Interfaces

An IP interface contains the network configuration data needed for an individual connection to the network. You can configure multiple IP interfaces to a physical Ethernet interface. You can also configure access to the spam quarantine via an IP interface. For email delivery and Virtual Gateways, each IP interface acts as one Virtual Gateway address with a specific IP address and hostname. You can also “join” interfaces into distinct groups (via the CLI), and the system will cycle through these groups when delivering email. Joining or grouping Virtual Gateways is useful for load-balancing large email campaigns across several interfaces. You can also create VLANs, and configure them just as you would any other interface (via the CLI). For more

information, see the “Advanced Networking” chapter in the user guide or online help for your Email Security appliance.

## Configuring IP Interfaces

The Management Appliance > Network > IP Interfaces page (and interface config command) enables you to add, edit, or delete IP interfaces.



**Note** You cannot change the name or Ethernet port associated with the Management interface on the Security Management appliance. Further, the Security Management appliance does not support all of the features discussed below (Virtual Gateways, for example).

The following information is required when you configure an IP interface:

**Table 112: IP Interface Components**


| Name                    | The nickname of the interface.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
|-------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| IP address              | IP addresses within the same subnet cannot be configured on separate physical Ethernet interfaces.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| Netmask (or subnetmask) | You can enter the netmask in standard dotted octet form (for example, 255.255.255.0) or hexadecimal form (for example, 0xfffff00). The default netmask is 255.255.255.0, a common class C value.                                                                                                                                                                  |
| Broadcast address       | AsyncOS automatically calculates the default broadcast address from the IP address and the netmask.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| Hostname                | The hostname that is related to the interface. This hostname is used to identify the server during the SMTP conversation. You are responsible for entering a valid hostname associated with each IP address. The software does not check that DNS correctly resolves the hostname to the matching IP address, or that reverse DNS resolves to the given hostname. |
| Allowed services        | FTP, SSH, Telnet, spam quarantine, HTTP, and HTTPS can be enabled or disabled on the interface. You can configure the port for each service. You can also specify the HTTP/HTTPS, port, and URL for the spam quarantine.                                                                                                                                          |



**Note** If you have completed the System Setup Wizard as described in [Setup, Installation, and Basic Configuration, on page 7](#) and committed the changes, the Management interface should already be configured on the appliance.

## Creating IP Interfaces Using the GUI

### Procedure

- 
- Step 1** [New Web Interface Only] On the Security Management appliance, click  to load the legacy web interface.
  - Step 2** Choose **Management Appliance > Network > IP Interfaces**.
  - Step 3** Click **Add IP Interface**.
  - Step 4** Enter a name for the interface.
  - Step 5** Select an Ethernet port and enter an IP address.
  - Step 6** Enter the netmask for the IP address.
  - Step 7** Enter a hostname for the interface.
  - Step 8** Select the check box next to each service you want to enable on this IP interface. Change the corresponding port if necessary.
  - Step 9** Select whether to enable redirecting HTTP to HTTPS for appliance management on the interface.
  - Step 10** If you are using the spam quarantine, you can select HTTP or HTTPS or both and specify the port numbers for each. You can also select whether to redirect HTTP requests to HTTPS. Finally, you can specify whether the IP interface is the default interface for the spam quarantine, and whether to use the hostname as the URL or provide a custom URL.
  - Step 11** Submit and commit your changes.
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## Accessing the Appliance via FTP



### Caution

By disabling services via the Management Appliance > Network > IP Interfaces page or the `interfaceconfig` command, you can disconnect yourself from the GUI or CLI, depending on how you are connected to the appliance. Do not disable services with this command if you are not able to reconnect to the appliance using another protocol, the Serial interface, or the default settings on the Management port.

### Procedure

- 
- Step 1** [New Web Interface Only] On the Security Management appliance, click  to load the legacy web interface.
  - Step 2** Choose **Management Appliance > Network > IP Interfaces** page (or the `interfaceconfig` command) to enable FTP access for the interface.
    - Note** Remember to commit your changes before moving on to the next step.
  - Step 3** Access the interface via FTP. Ensure you are using the correct IP address for the interface.
    - Example: `ftp 192.168.42.42`
    - Many browsers also allow you to access interfaces via FTP.
    - Example: `ftp://192.10.10.10`

**Step 4** Browse to the directory for the specific task you are trying to accomplish. After you have accessed an interface via FTP, you can browse the following directories to copy and add (“GET” and “PUT”) files. See the following table.

**Table 113: Directories Available for Access**

| Directory Name                                                                                                                                                   | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| /avarchive<br>/bounces<br>/cli_logs<br>/delivery<br>/error_logs<br>/ftpd_logs<br>/gui_logs<br>/mail_logs<br>/rptd_logs<br>/sntpd.logs<br>/status<br>/system_logs | Created automatically for logging via the Management Appliance > System Administration > Log Subscriptions page or the logconfig and rollovernow commands. See the “Logging” chapter in the user guide or online help for your Email Security appliance for a detailed description of each log.<br><br>See “Log File Type Comparison” in the “Logging” chapter for the differences among each log file type.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| /configuration                                                                                                                                                   | The directory where data from the following pages and commands are exported to and/or imported (saved) from: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Virtual Gateway mappings ( altsrchost )</li> <li>• Configuration data in XML format ( saveconfig, loadconfig )</li> <li>• Host Access Table (HAT) page ( hostaccess )</li> <li>• Recipient Access Table (RAT) page ( rcptaccess )</li> <li>• SMTP Routes page ( smtproutes )</li> <li>• Alias tables ( aliasconfig )</li> <li>• Masquerading tables ( masquerade )</li> <li>• Message filters ( filters )</li> <li>• Global unsubscribe data ( unsubscribe )</li> <li>• Test messages for the trace command</li> </ul> |
| /MFM                                                                                                                                                             | The Mail Flow Monitoring database directory contains data for the Mail Flow Monitor functionality available from the GUI. Each subdirectory contains a README file that documents the record format for each file.<br><br>You can copy these files to a different machine for record keeping, or load the files into a database and create your own analysis application. The record format is the same for all files in all directories; this format may change in future releases.                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| /periodic_reports                                                                                                                                                | The directory where all archived reports configured on the system are stored.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |



**Step 5** Use your FTP program to upload and download files to and from the appropriate directory.

## Secure Copy (scp) Access

If your client operating system supports a secure copy ( `scp` ) command, you can copy files to and from the directories listed in the table *Directories Available for Access*. For example, in the following example, the file `/tmp/test.txt` is copied from the client machine to the configuration directory of the appliance with the hostname `mail3.example.com`.



**Note** The command prompts for the user's passphrase ( `admin` ). This example is shown for reference only; your operating system's implementation of secure copy may vary.

```
% scp /tmp/test.txt admin@mail3.example.com:configuration
The authenticity of host 'mail3.example.com (192.168.42.42)' can't be established.
DSA key fingerprint is 69:02:01:1d:9b:eb:eb:80:0c:a1:f5:a6:61:da:c8:db.
Are you sure you want to continue connecting (yes/no)? yes
Warning: Permanently added 'mail3.example.com' (DSA) to the list of known hosts.
admin@mail3.example.com's passphrase: (type the passphrase)
test.txt          100% |*****| 1007      00:00
%
```

In this example, the same file is copied from the appliance to the client machine:

```
% scp admin@mail3.example.com:configuration/text.txt .
admin@mail3.example.com's passphrase: (type the passphrase)
test.txt          100% |*****| 1007      00:00
```

You can use secure copy ( `scp` ) as an alternative to FTP to transfer files to and from the content security appliance.



**Note** Only users in the operators and administrators group can use secure copy ( `scp` ) to access the appliance. For more information, see [About Reverting to an Earlier Version of AsyncOS, on page 469](#).

## Accessing via a Serial Connection

If you are connecting to the appliance via a serial connection, use the following information for the console port.

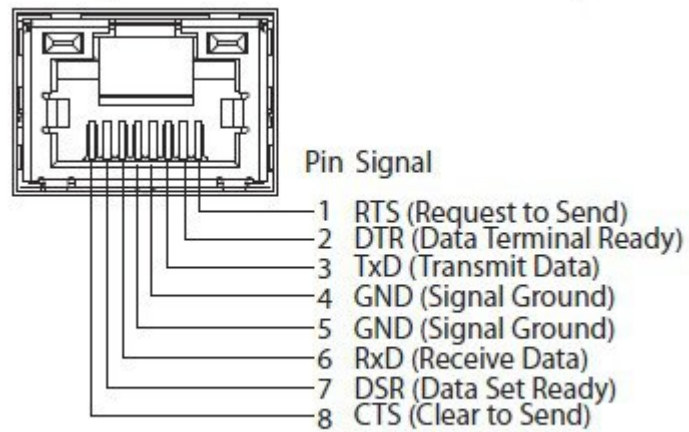
Complete information about this port is in the hardware installation guide for your appliance.

### Related Topics

- [Documentation](#) , on page 577

## Pinout Details for the Serial Port in 80- and 90- Series Hardware

Figure 21: Pinout Details for the Serial Port in 80- and 90- Series Hardware



## Pinout Details for the Serial Port in 70-Series Hardware

The following figure illustrates the pin numbers for the serial port connector, and the table *Serial Port Pin Assignments* defines the pin assignments and interface signals for the serial port connector.

Figure 22: Pin Numbers for the Serial Port

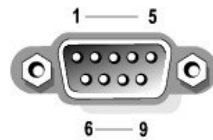


Table 114: Serial Port Pin Assignments

| Pin | Signal | I/O | Definition          |
|-----|--------|-----|---------------------|
| 1   | DCD    |     | Data carrier detect |
| 2   | SIN    |     | Serial input        |
| 3   | SOUT   |     | Serial output       |
| 4   | DTR    |     | Data terminal ready |
| 5   | GND    | n/a | Signal ground       |
| 6   | DSR    |     | Data set ready      |
| 7   | RTS    |     | Request to send     |
| 8   | CTS    |     | Clear to send       |

| <b>Pin</b> | <b>Signal</b> | <b>I/O</b> | <b>Definition</b> |
|------------|---------------|------------|-------------------|
| 9          | RI            |            | Ring indicator    |
| Shell      | n/a           | n/a        | Chassis ground    |





## APPENDIX **B**

# Assigning Network and IP Addresses

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This appendix contains the following sections:

- [Ethernet Interfaces, on page 565](#)
- [Selecting IP Addresses and Netmasks, on page 565](#)
- [Strategies for Connecting Your Content Security Appliance, on page 567](#)

## Ethernet Interfaces

Cisco content security appliances have up to four Ethernet interfaces located on the rear panel of the system, depending on the configuration (whether or not you have the optional optical network interface). They are labeled:

- Management
- Data1
- Data2
- Data3
- Data4

## Selecting IP Addresses and Netmasks

When you configure the network, the content security appliance must be able to select a unique interface to send an outgoing packet. This requirement drives some of the decisions regarding IP address and netmask selection for the Ethernet interfaces. The rule is that only one interface can be on a single network (as determined through the applications of netmasks to the IP addresses of the interfaces).

An IP address identifies a physical interface on any given network. A physical Ethernet interface can have more than one IP address for which it accepts packets. An Ethernet interface that has more than one IP address can send packets over that interface with any one of the IP addresses as the source address in the packet. This property is used in implementing Virtual Gateway technology.

The purpose of a netmask is to divide an IP address into a network address and a host address. The network address can be thought of as the network part (the bits matching the netmask) of the IP address. The host address is the remaining bits of the IP address. The number of bits in a four octet address that are significant are sometimes expressed in Classless Inter-Domain Routing (CIDR) style. This is a slash followed by the number of bits (1-32).

A netmask can be expressed in this way by simply counting the ones in binary, so 255.255.255.0 becomes “/24” and 255.255.240.0 becomes “/20.”

## Sample Interface Configurations

This section shows sample interface configurations based on some typical networks. The example uses two interfaces called Int1 and Int2. In the case of the content security appliance, these interface names can represent any two interfaces out of the three interfaces (Management, Data1, Data2).

### Network 1:

Separate interfaces must appear to be on separate networks.

| Interface | IP Address   | Netmask       | Net Address    |
|-----------|--------------|---------------|----------------|
| Int1      | 192.168.1.10 | 255.255.255.0 | 192.168.1.0/24 |
| Int2      | 192.168.0.10 | 255.255.255.0 | 192.168.0.0/24 |

Data addressed to 192.168.1.X (where X is any number from 1 through 255, except for your own address, 10 in this case) go out on Int1. Anything addressed to 192.168.0.X goes out on Int2. Any packet headed for some other address not in these formats, most likely out on a WAN or the Internet, is sent to the default gateway, which must be on one of these networks. The default gateway then forwards the packet on.

### Network 2:

The network addresses (network parts of the IP addresses) of two different interfaces cannot be the same.

| Ethernet Interface | IP Address   | Netmask     | Net Address    |
|--------------------|--------------|-------------|----------------|
| Int1               | 192.168.1.10 | 255.255.0.0 | 192.168.0.0/16 |
| Int2               | 192.168.0.10 | 255.255.0.0 | 192.168.0.0/16 |

This situation presents a conflict in that two different Ethernet interfaces have the same network address. If a packet from the content security appliance is sent to 192.168.1.11, there is no way to decide which Ethernet interface should be used to deliver the packet. If the two Ethernet interfaces are connected to two separate physical networks, the packet may be delivered to the incorrect network and never find its destination. The content security appliance does not allow you to configure your network with conflicts.

You can connect two Ethernet interfaces to the same physical network, but you must construct IP addresses and netmasks to allow the content security appliance to select a unique delivery interface.

## IP Addresses, Interfaces, and Routing

When you select an interface on which to perform a command or function in the GUI or CLI that allows you to select an interface (for example, upgrading AsyncOS or configuring DNS), routing (your default gateway) takes precedence over your selection.

For example, suppose that you have a content security appliance with the three network interfaces configured, each on a different network segment (assume all /24):

| Ethernet   | IP           |
|------------|--------------|
| Management | 192.19.0.100 |
| Data1      | 192.19.1.100 |
| Data2      | 192.19.2.100 |

And your default gateway is 192.19.0.1.

Now, if you perform an AsyncOS upgrade (or other command or function that allows you to select an interface) and you select the IP that is on Data1 (192.19.1.100), you would expect all the TCP traffic to occur over the Data1 Ethernet interface. However, instead the traffic goes out of the interface that is set as your default gateway, in this case Management, but is stamped with the source address of the IP on Data1.

## Summary

The content security appliance must always be able to identify a unique interface over which a packet can be delivered. To make this decision, the content security appliance uses a combination of the packet's destination IP address, and the network and IP address settings of its Ethernet interfaces. The following table summarizes the preceding examples:

|                              | Same Network | Different Network |
|------------------------------|--------------|-------------------|
| Same Physical Interface      | Allowed      | Allowed           |
| Different Physical Interface | Not allowed  | Allowed           |

## Strategies for Connecting Your Content Security Appliance

Keep the following in mind when connecting your appliance:

- Administrative traffic (CLI, web interface, log delivery) is usually little compared to email traffic.
- If two Ethernet interfaces are connected to the same network switch, but end up talking to a single interface on another host downstream, or are connected to a network hub where all data are echoed to all ports, no advantage is gained by using two interfaces.
- SMTP conversations over an interface operating at 1000Base-T are slightly faster than conversations over the same interfaces operating at 100Base-T, but only under ideal conditions.
- There is no point in optimizing connections to your network if there is a bottleneck in some other part of your delivery network. Bottlenecks most often occur in the connection to the Internet and further upstream at your connectivity provider.

The number of interfaces that you choose to connect and how you address them should be dictated by the complexity of your underlying network. It is not necessary to connect multiple interfaces if your network topology or data volumes do not call for it. It is also possible to keep the connection simple at first as you familiarize yourself with the gateway and then increase the connectivity as volume and network topology require it.







# APPENDIX C

## Firewall Information

This chapter contains the following sections:

- [Firewall Information, on page 569](#)

## Firewall Information

The following table lists the possible ports that may need to be opened for proper operation of the Cisco Content Security appliance (these are the default values).

**Table 115: Firewall Ports**

| Default Port | Protocol | In/Out    | Hostname                | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
|--------------|----------|-----------|-------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 20/21        | TCP      | In or out | AsyncOS IPs, FTP server | FTP for aggregation of log files.<br>Data ports TCP 1024 and higher must also all be open.<br>For more information, search for FTP port information in the Knowledge Base. See <a href="#">Knowledge Base Articles (TechNotes)</a> , on page 579 . |
| 22           | SSH      | Out       | AsyncOS IPs             | Centralized configuration manager configuration push.<br>Also used for backups.                                                                                                                                                                    |
| 22           | TCP      | In        | AsyncOS IPs             | SSH access to the CLI, aggregation of log files.                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| 22           | TCP      | Out       | SCP server              | SCP push to log server.                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| 23           | Telnet   | In        | AsyncOS IPs             | Telnet access to the CLI.                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| 23           | Telnet   | Out       | Telnet Server           | Telnet upgrades                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| 25           | TCP      | Out       | Any                     | SMTP to send email.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |

|             |         |            |                            |                                                                                                                        |
|-------------|---------|------------|----------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 25          | TCP     | In         | AsyncOS IPs                | SMTP to receive bounced email or if injecting email from outside firewall.                                             |
| 53          | UDP/TCP | Out        | DNS servers                | DNS if configured to use Internet root servers or other DNS servers outside the firewall. Also for SenderBase queries. |
| 80          | HTTP    | In         | AsyncOS IPs                | HTTP access to the GUI for system monitoring.                                                                          |
| 80          | HTTP    | Out        | downloads.ironport.com     | Service updates, except for AsyncOS upgrades .                                                                         |
| 80          | HTTP    | Out        | upgrades.ironport.com      | AsyncOS upgrades.                                                                                                      |
| 801         | HTTP    | In and Out | AsyncOS IPs                | HTTP access to the GUI using <code>trailblazerconfig</code> CLI command.                                               |
| 82          | HTTP    | In         | AsyncOS IPs                | Used for viewing the spam quarantine.                                                                                  |
| 83          | HTTPS   | In         | AsyncOS IPs                | Used for viewing the spam quarantine.                                                                                  |
| 110         | TCP     | Out        | POP server                 | POP authentication for end users for spam quarantine.                                                                  |
| 123         | UDP     | In & Out   | NTP server                 | NTP if time servers are outside firewall.                                                                              |
| 143         | TCP     | Out        | IMAP server                | IMAP authentication for end users for spam quarantine.                                                                 |
| 161         | UDP     | In         | AsyncOS IPs                | SNMP Queries.                                                                                                          |
| 162         | UDP     | Out        | Management station         | SNMP Traps.                                                                                                            |
| 389 or 3268 | LDAP    | Out        | LDAP servers               | LDAP if LDAP directory servers are outside firewall. LDAP authentication for Cisco Spam Quarantine.                    |
| 636 or 3269 | LDAPS   | Out        | LDAPS                      | LDAPS — ActiveDirectory's global catalog server (uses SSL).                                                            |
| 443         | TCP     | In         | AsyncOS IPs                | Secure HTTP ( https ) access to the GUI for system monitoring.                                                         |
| 443         | TCP     | Out        | update-static.ironport.com | Verify the latest files for the update server.                                                                         |

|                 |         |            |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
|-----------------|---------|------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 443             | TCP     | Out        | update-manifests.ironport.com                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Obtain the list of the latest files from the update server (for physical hardware appliances.)                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| 443             | TCP     | Out        | update-manifests.sco.cisco.com                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Obtain the list of the latest files from the update server (for virtual appliances.)                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| 443             | TCP     | Out        | phonehome.senderbase.org                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | Receive/send Outbreak Filters.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| 443             | TCP     | Out        | File Analysis server URL as configured on your Web Security appliance on the Security Services > Anti-Malware and Reputation page, in the Advanced section > Advanced Settings for File Analysis.<br><br>File Analysis server URL as configured on your Email Security appliance on the Security Services > File Reputation and Analysis page, in the Advanced Settings for File Analysis section. | Display detailed file analysis results on the File Analysis server.<br><br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Web security reporting: <a href="#">(Cloud File Analysis) Ensure That the Management Appliance Can Reach the File Analysis Server</a> , on page 184</li> </ul> |
| 443             | HTTPS   | In and Out | api-sse.cisco.com                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Used to register your appliance with Cisco Threat Response.                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| 443             | HTTPS   | In and Out | api.eu.sse.itd.cisco.com                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | Used to register your appliance with Cisco Threat Response.                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| 443             | HTTPS   | In and Out | est.sco.cisco.com                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Used to download a certificate to verify whether your appliance is accessing a verified site when registering to Cisco Threat Response.                                                                                                                                            |
| 443             | HTTPS   | In and Out | AsyncOS IPs                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | HTTPS access to the GUI using <code>trailblazerconfig</code> CLI command.                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| 514             | UDP/TCP | Out        | Syslog server                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Syslog logging.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| 1024 and higher | —       | —          | —                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | See information above for Port 21 (FTP.)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| 7025            | TCP     | In and out | AsyncOS IPs                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | Pass policy, virus, and outbreak quarantine data between Email Security appliances and the Security Management appliance when this feature is centralized.                                                                                                                         |

|       |       |           |  |                                      |
|-------|-------|-----------|--|--------------------------------------|
| 32137 | TCP   |           |  |                                      |
| 6080  | HTTP  | In or Out |  | Access to API ports for HTTP Server  |
| 6443  | HTTPS | In or Out |  | Access to API ports for HTTPS Server |



## APPENDIX **D**

# Web Security Management Examples

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This chapter contains the following sections:

- [Web Security Management Examples, on page 573](#)

## Web Security Management Examples

This appendix illustrates and describes a number of common ways to implement features of the Cisco Content Security Management appliance, and includes the following sections:

- [Example 1: Investigating a User , on page 573](#)
- [Example 2: Tracking a URL, on page 575](#)
- [Example 3: Investigating Top URL Categories Visited, on page 575](#)

## Web Security Appliance Examples

This section describes examples using a Security Management appliance and Web Security appliances.



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**Note** All of these scenarios assume that you have enabled web reporting and web tracking on the Security Management appliance *and* on your Web Security appliances. For information on how to enable web tracking and web reporting, see [Using Centralized Web Reporting and Tracking, on page 163](#)

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### Example 1: Investigating a User

This example demonstrates how a system administrator would investigate a particular user at a company.

In this scenario, a manager has gotten a complaint that an employee is visiting inappropriate web sites at work. To investigate this, the system administrator now needs to track the details of their web activity.

Once the web activity is tracked, a web report is generated with information about the employee's browsing history.

#### Procedure

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**Step 1** On the Security Management appliance, choose **Web > Reporting > Users**.

- Step 2** In the **Users** table, click on the **User ID** or **Client IP address** you want to investigate.
- If you do not know the User ID or the Client IP address, type what you can remember of the User ID or Client IP address in text field, and click on **Find User ID or Client IP address**. The IP address does not need to be an exact match to return results. The Users table is populated with the User ID and Client IP addresses that you have specified. In this example, we are looking for information on Client IP address 10.251.60.24.
- Step 3** Click on IP address 10.251.60.24.
- The User Details page appears for 10.251.60.24.
- From the User Details page you can determine the URL Categories by Total Transactions, Trend by Total Transaction, URL Categories Matched, Domains Matched, Applications Matched, Malware Threats Detected, and Policies Matched.
- These categories allow you to find out if, for example, user 10.251.60.24 was trying to access blocked URLs, which could be viewed in the Transactions Blocked column under the Domains section on the page.
- Step 4** Click **Export** under the Domains Matched table to view the entire list of Domains and URLs that the user tried to access.
- From here you can use the Web Tracking feature to track and view this specific user's web usage.
- Note** It is important to remember that web reporting allows you to retrieve all the domain information that a user goes to, not necessarily the specific URL that is accessed. For information on a specific URL that the user is accessing, what time they went to that URL, whether that URL is allowed, etc., use the Proxy Services tab on the Web Tracking page.
- Step 5** Choose **Web > Reporting > Web Tracking**.
- Step 6** Click the **Proxy Services** tab.
- Step 7** In the User/Client IP Address text field type in the user name or IP address.
- In this example we are searching for web tracking information for user 10.251.60.24.
- The search results appear.
- From this page you can view a full list of transactions and URLs visited by the user of the computer that is assigned to the IP Address 10.251.60.24.

## Related Topics

The following table lists each of the topics discussed in this example. Click on the link for details on each topic.

**Table 116: Related Topics for Investigating a User**

| Feature Name                                | Feature Information                                                                      |
|---------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| User Page                                   | <a href="#">Users Report (Web)</a> , on page 173                                         |
| User Details Page                           | <a href="#">User Details (Web Reporting)</a> , on page 174                               |
| Exporting Report Data                       | <a href="#">Exporting Reporting and Tracking Data</a> , on page 31                       |
| Proxy Services tab on the Web Tracking page | <a href="#">Searching for Transactions Processed by Web Proxy Services</a> , on page 231 |

## Example 2: Tracking a URL

In this scenario, a Sales manager wants to find out what the top five visited web sites are at their company are for the last week. Additionally, the manager wants to know which users are going to those websites.

### Procedure

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- Step 1** On the Security Management appliance, choose **Web > Reporting > Web Sites**.
- Step 2** From the Time Range drop-down list, choose **Week**.
- Step 3** Scroll down to the Domains section to view the domains, or web sites that have been visited.
- The top 25 web sites that have been visited will be displayed in the Domains Matched table. In the same table you can click on the link in the Domain or IP column to view the actual web sites for a particular address or user.
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### Related Topics

The following table lists each of the topics discussed in this example. Click on the link for details on each topic.

*Table 117: Related Topics for Tracking a URL*

| Feature Name   | Feature Information                            |
|----------------|------------------------------------------------|
| Web Sites Page | <a href="#">Web Sites Report , on page 176</a> |

## Example 3: Investigating Top URL Categories Visited

In this scenario, the Human Resources manager wants to know what the top three URL categories her employees are visiting over the 30 days. Additionally, a network manager wants to get this information to monitor bandwidth usage, to find out what URLs are taking up the most bandwidth on her network.

The example below is to show how you can gather data for several people covering several points of interest, while only having to generate one report.

### Procedure

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- Step 1** On the Security Management appliance, choose **Web > Reporting > URL Categories**.
- From the URL Categories page in this example, you can see that of the top 10 URL Categories by Total Transactions graph reveals, there were 282 K of Uncategorized URLs that were accessed, as well as Instant Messaging, Hate Speech and Tattoo sites, and so forth.
- At this point you can export that raw data to an Excel spreadsheet, by clicking the **Export** link and send this file to the Human Resources manager. But remember, your network manager wants to know the bandwidth usage by each URL.
- Step 2** NEEDS NEW ILLO - SKIP Scroll down to the **URL Categories Matched** table, to view the Bandwidth Used column.

From the **URL Categories Matched** table, you can see the Bandwidth Usage for all of the URL Categories. Again, you can click the **Export** link and send this file to the Network manager. For finer granularity though, click on the Instant Messaging link to find out which users are taking up the bandwidth. The following page appears.

From this page, the network manager can see the top 10 users for Instant Messaging sites.

This page reveals that in the last 30 days, user 10.128.4.64 has spent 19 hours and 57 minutes on an Instant Messaging site; and the bandwidth usage for this time was 10.1 MB.

## Related Topics

The following table lists each of the topics discussed in this example. Click on the link for details on each topic.

**Table 118: Related Topics for Investigating the Top URL Categories**

| Feature Name          | Feature Information                                                |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|
| URL Categories Page   | <a href="#">URL Categories Report , on page 177</a>                |
| Exporting Report Data | <a href="#">Exporting Reporting and Tracking Data , on page 31</a> |





## APPENDIX E

# Additional Resources

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- [Registering for a Cisco Account](#) , on page 579
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## Cisco Notification Service

Sign up to receive notifications relevant to your Cisco Content Security Appliances, such as Security Advisories, Field Notices, End of Sale and End of Support statements, and information about software updates and known issues.

You can specify options such as notification frequency and types of information to receive. You should sign up separately for notifications for each product that you use.

To sign up, visit <http://www.cisco.com/cisco/support/notifications.html>

A Cisco.com account is required. If you do not have one, see [Registering for a Cisco Account](#) , on page 579.

## Documentation

Documentation for this product and related products is available at the following locations:

| Documentation For Cisco Content Security Products:         | Is Located At:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
|------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Security Management appliances                             | <a href="http://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/support/security/content-security-management-appliance/tsd-products-support-series-home.html">http://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/support/security/content-security-management-appliance/tsd-products-support-series-home.html</a><br>Hardware and virtual appliance information:<br><a href="http://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/support/security/content-security-management-appliance/products-installation-guides-list.html">http://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/support/security/content-security-management-appliance/products-installation-guides-list.html</a><br>MIBs:<br>See <a href="#">Monitoring System Health Using SNMP</a> , on page 448. |
| Web Security appliances                                    | <a href="http://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/support/security/web-security-appliance/tsd-products-support-series-home.html">http://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/support/security/web-security-appliance/tsd-products-support-series-home.html</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| Email Security appliances                                  | <a href="http://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/support/security/email-security-appliance/tsd-products-support-series-home.html">http://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/support/security/email-security-appliance/tsd-products-support-series-home.html</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Command Line Reference guide for content security products | <a href="http://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/support/security/email-security-appliance/products-command-reference-list.html">http://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/support/security/email-security-appliance/products-command-reference-list.html</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| Cisco Email Encryption                                     | <a href="http://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/support/security/email-encryption/tsd-products-support-series-home.html">http://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/support/security/email-encryption/tsd-products-support-series-home.html</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |

You can also access the HTML online help version of the user guide directly from the appliance GUI by clicking **Help and Support** in the upper-right corner.

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- <http://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/training-events/training-certifications/overview.html>

## Knowledge Base Articles (TechNotes)

### Procedure

|               | Command or Action                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Purpose |
|---------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|
| <b>Step 1</b> | Go to the main product page ( <a href="http://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/training-events/training-certifications/overview.html">http://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/training-events/training-certifications/overview.html</a> ) |         |
| <b>Step 2</b> | Look for links with <b>TechNotes</b> in the name.                                                                                                                                                                   |         |

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Support site for legacy IronPort: <http://www.cisco.com/web/services/acquisitions/ironport.html>

If you purchased support through a reseller or another supplier, please contact that supplier directly with your product support issues.

See also [Opening or Updating a Support Case from the Appliance](#) , on page 551.

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## APPENDIX **F**

# End User License Agreement

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This chapter contains the following sections:

- [Cisco Systems End User License Agreement](#) , on page 581
- [Supplemental End User License Agreement for Cisco Systems Content Security Software](#) , on page 587

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