

Monitoring Application Health in Dynamics 365 using Application Insights

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Agenda

- Introduction to Application Insights
- Lifecycle Services (LCS): When a change is needed
- Capabilities in D365 F&O apps and demo
- D365 Warehouse telemetry in Application Insights
- Capabilities in D365 CE Apps (CS, FS, Dataverse) and demo
- Alerting set up
- Understanding the cost model
- Q&A

Application Insights Overview

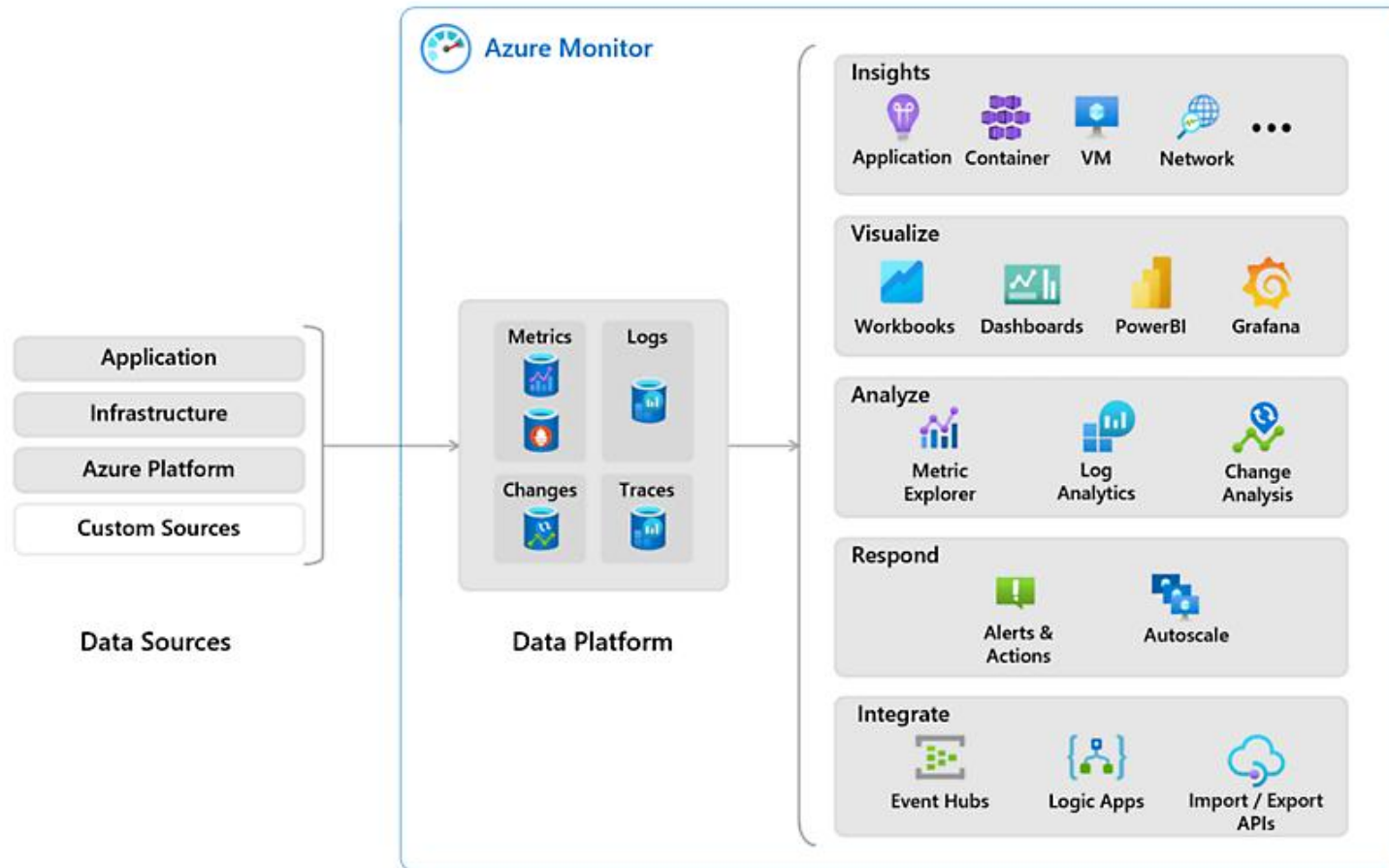


Overview of Application Insights for Dynamics 365

A powerful, extensible Application Performance Management (APM) service extending Azure Monitor.

- Monitoring and Diagnostics
 - Monitor live applications and provide detailed insights into application performance, user activities, and diagnostic data.
- User Interaction Analysis
 - Understand how users interact with the application through detailed telemetry data.
- Custom Metrics and Logs
 - Define custom metrics and log events to track specific parts of your application.
- Enhanced Performance
 - Identify and resolve performance bottlenecks quickly.
- Proactive Issue Detection
 - Automatically detect and diagnose issues before they impact users.
- Data-Driven Decisions
 - Use detailed insights to make informed decisions, improve user experience, and drive application development.

Solution Architecture Overview



[Application Insights overview - Azure Monitor | Microsoft Learn](#)

Lifecycle Services:

When a change is needed...



Outgrowing the solution...



How can I gain **visibility** to who is using the software?



How can I **monitor** for performance?



How can I stay on top of **configuration** changes?



How can I easily **search** logs for troubleshooting?

Lifecycle Services > Lane Test project (Immobiliere Global, LLC.) United States ? Lane

Environment monitoring (LaneTier2)

Overview Activity Health metrics SQL Insights

Some capabilities of the Environment Monitoring page are now deprecated. [More Information](#)

Raw logs

Query name: All logs

Start date (UTC): 2025/01/20 13:23:37

End date (UTC): 2025/01/20 13:38:37

Search terms:

Note: Multiple search terms are combined as AND conditions.

TIMESTAMP	Tenant	Role	RoleInstance	Level	ProviderGuid	ProviderName	Event
2025-01-20T13:36:25.2005823Z	b7e96e9e-a77e-473a-bdc9-c52b3ca83043	Interactive	AOS1-b7e96e9e-a77e-473a-bdc9-c52b3ca83043	4	19231b63-445f-48fc-a8df-b1d1a5c362f9	Microsoft-Dynamics-AX-XppRuntime	56
2025-01-20T13:30:25.7117638Z	b7e96e9e-a77e-473a-bdc9-c52b3ca83043	Interactive	AOS1-b7e96e9e-a77e-473a-bdc9-c52b3ca83043	4	56ff7baa-cb5a-470e-bfbb-6161ca6248aa	Microsoft-Dynamics-AX-SecurityManagement	236
2025-01-20T13:30:07.2128813Z	b7e96e9e-a77e-473a-bdc9-c52b3ca83043	Interactive	AOS1-b7e96e9e-a77e-473a-bdc9-c52b3ca83043	4	86c27f7f-2a1a-4900-af02-ab605d56e67b	Microsoft-Dynamics-AX-SysOperation	4
2025-01-20T13:35:45.8908947Z	b7e96e9e-a77e-473a-bdc9-c52b3ca83043	Interactive	AOS1-b7e96e9e-a77e-473a-bdc9-c52b3ca83043	4	19231b63-445f-48fc-a8df-b1d1a5c362f9	Microsoft-Dynamics-AX-XppRuntime	56
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Capabilities migration

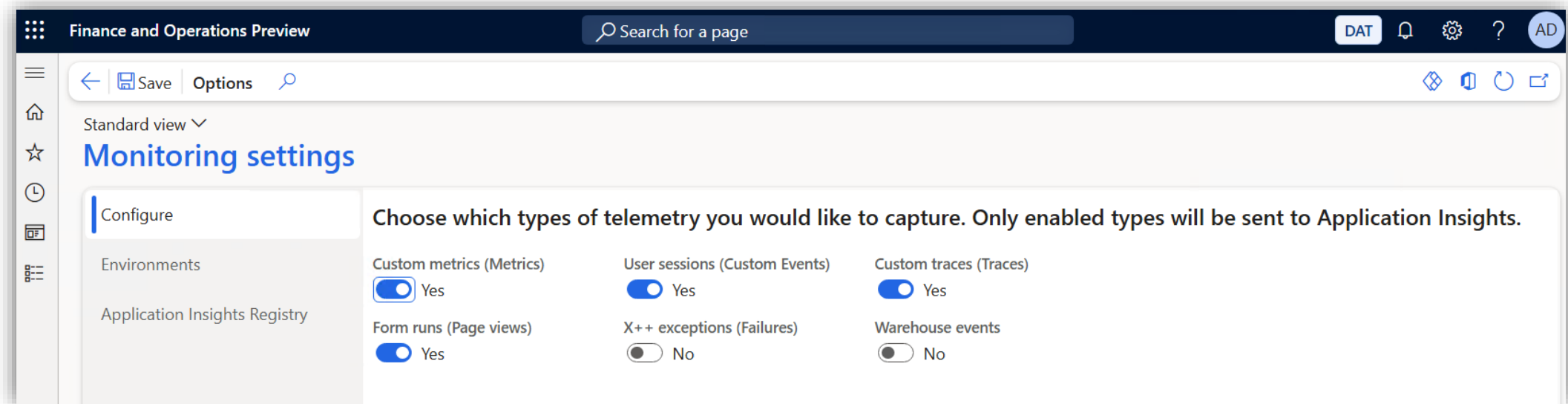
Feature Set	Direction	Communications
Activity Queries	ApplInsights	Message Center, LCS Banner
SQL Insights	ApplInsights	Message Center, LCS Banner
Health Metrics	ApplInsights	LCS Banner
SQL Actions	Support / Internal Automation	Message Center, LCS Banner

Dynamics 365 Finance and SCM



Getting started – Monitoring and Telemetry feature

- Configure what type of telemetry to emit.



Getting started – Monitoring and Telemetry feature

- Configure the connection to your Application Insights instance.

Finance and Operations Preview

Search for a page

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Standard view

Monitoring settings

Configure

Environments

Application Insights Registry

Map environment modes to a target Application Insights instrumentation key. If the database is copied from one environment to another, the mode will be auto-detected and failover to the new target endpoint. If the environment is not mapped, it will default to the DEV mode.

+ New Delete

	Environment M...	Instrumentation Key	Connection string
	Development		InstrumentationKey=1524869b-2251-4748-986d-6585a121c908;IngestionEndpoint=https://westeurope

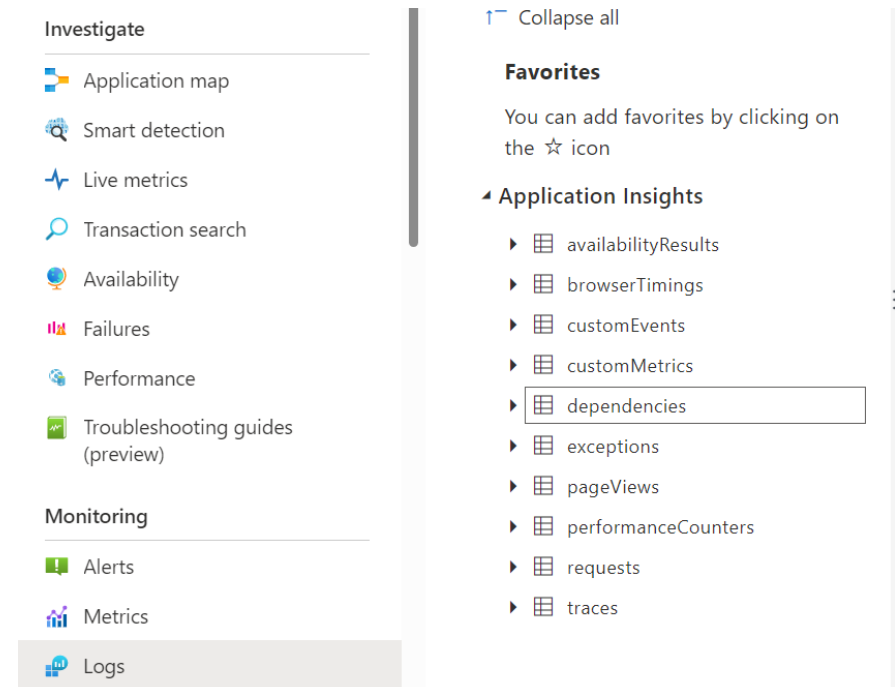
Dynamics 365 Finance & SCM Available Telemetry

Dynamics 365 Finance & SCM maps 4 main telemetry types to Application Insights tables

Telemetry type	Application Insights table name
Form loads	pageViews
X++ exceptions	Exceptions
Custom Events	customEvents
Custom Metrics	customMetrics

CustomEvents will contain most of the telemetry

- Warehouse related telemetry events
- Slow queries

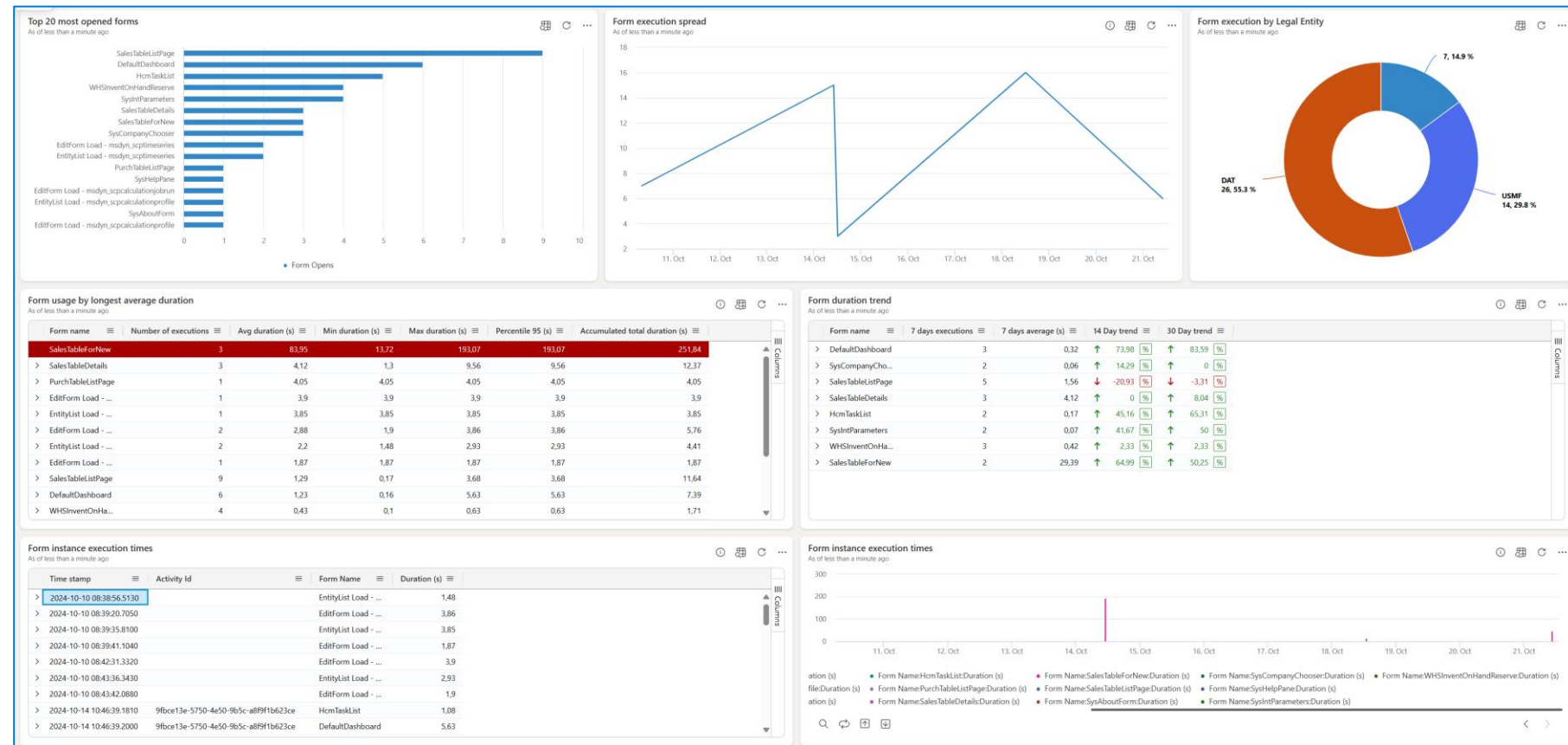


[Monitoring and Telemetry with Microsoft Dynamics 365 Finance and Microsoft Dynamics 365 Supply Chain Management | Microsoft Learn](#)

Finance & SCM – Form loads

Provides telemetry on form executions:

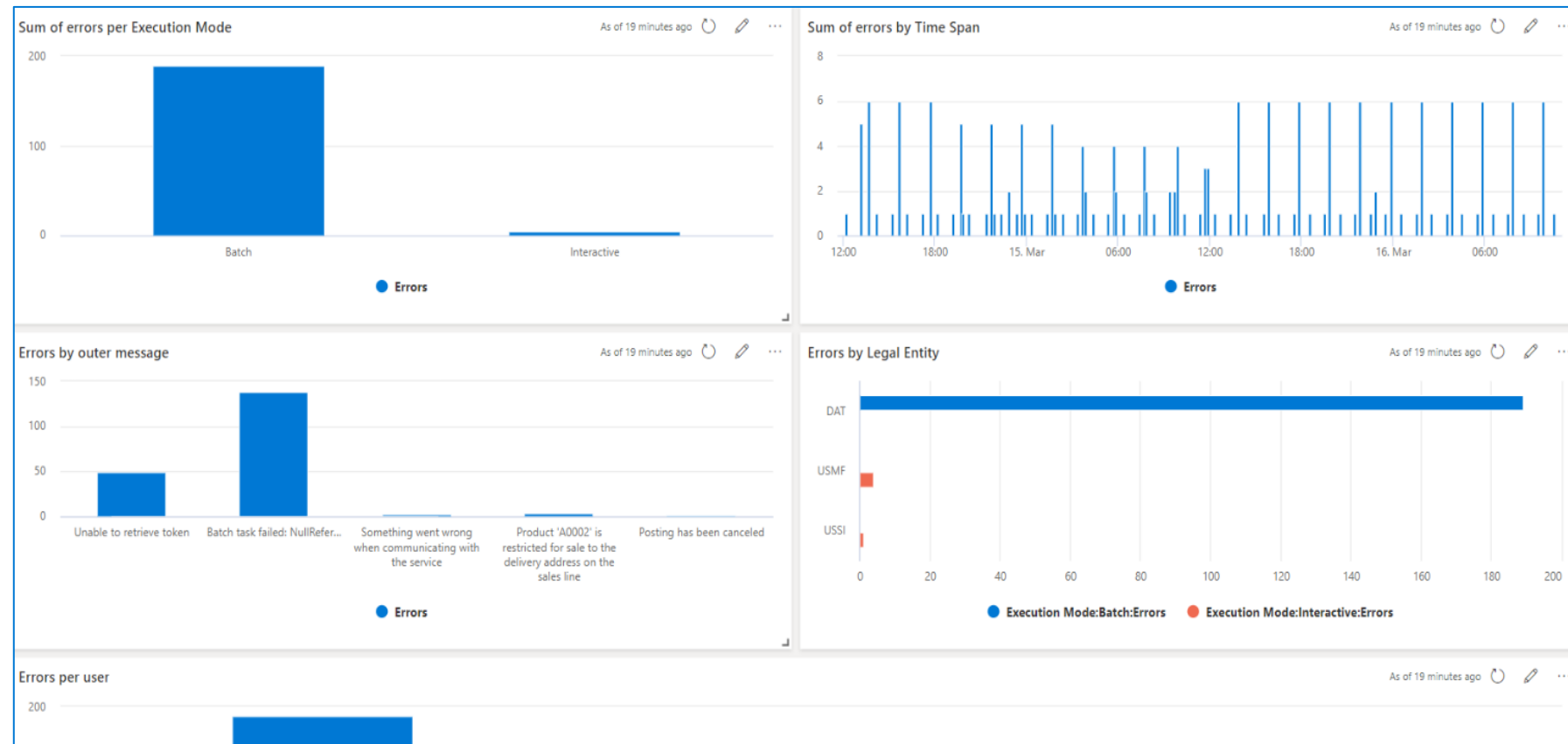
- Most used forms
- Executions, min / max / avg timings
- Form duration trend
- ActivityId correlation



Finance & SCM – X++ errors

Provides telemetry on X++ errors:

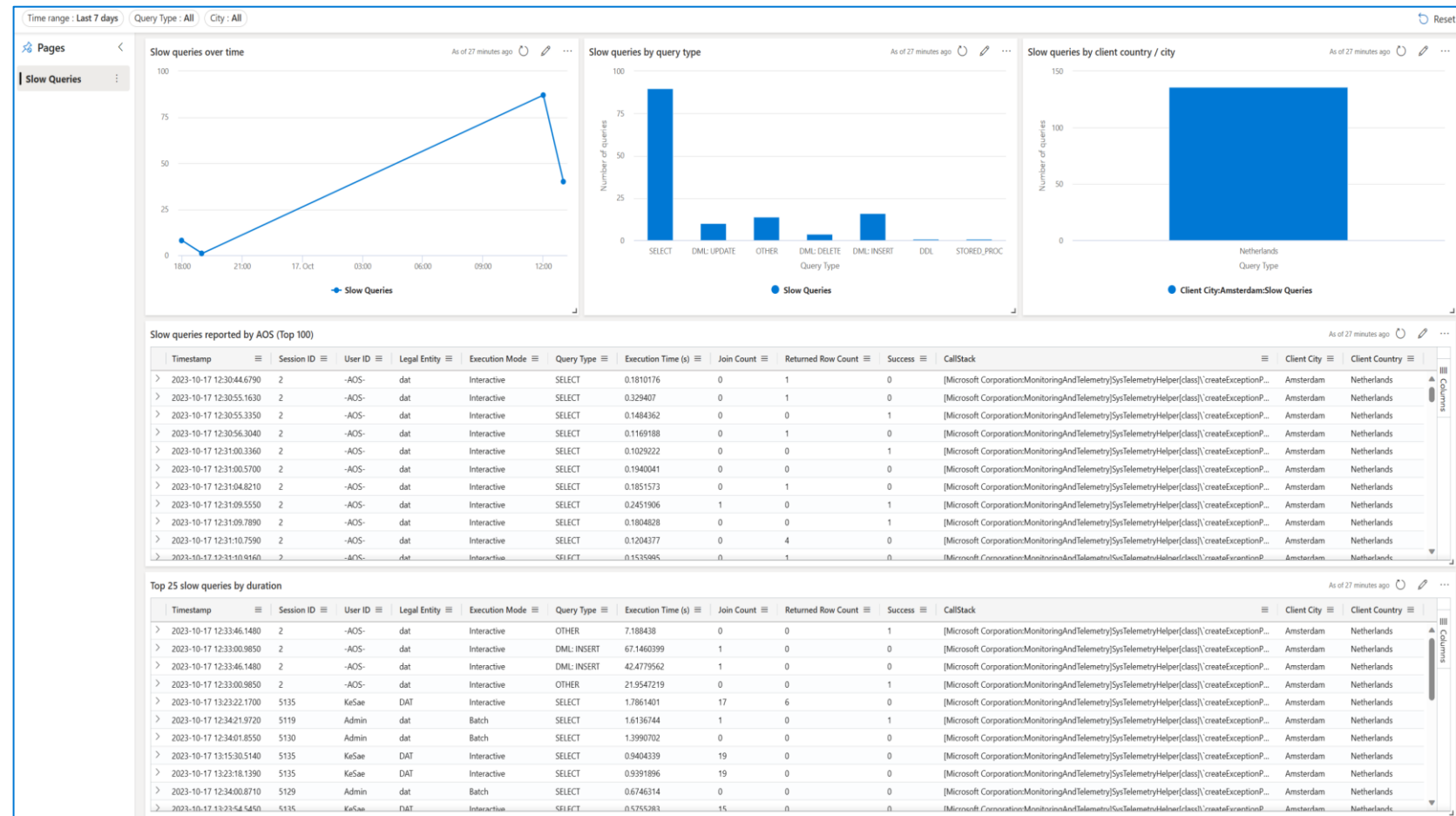
- Error information including callstack
- Summarization by execution mode / timeline / error message



Finance & SCM – Slow queries

Provides telemetry on slow query statements reported by the AOS:

- Slow queries by query type
- Top slow queries with callstack



* Requires flight

* Should be used in sandboxes to reproduce issues and in combination with Query Store to retrieve query plans.

Adding custom telemetry through the API

```
• [PostHandlerFor(tableStr(SysUserLog), tableMethodStr(SysUserLog, insert))]  
• internal static void logUserLogOn(XppPrePostArgs _args)  
• {  
•     if( SysIntParameters::Find().CaptureUserSessions  
•         && SysApplicationInsightsTelemetryHelper::useSysApplicationInsightsTelemetryLogger())  
•     {  
•         SysUserLog sysUserLog = _args.getThis();  
•         UserInfo userInfo;  
  
•         select firstly RecId, ObjectId  
•             from userInfo  
•             where userInfo.id == sysUserLog.UserId;  
  
•         SysApplicationInsightsEventTelemetry eventTelemetry = SysApplicationInsightsEventTelemetry::newFromEventIdName('Admin001', 'UserLogOn');  
•         eventTelemetry.addProperty(SysApplicationInsightsUserIdProperty::newFromValue(sysUserLog.UserId));  
•         eventTelemetry.addProperty(SysApplicationInsightsUserObjectIdProperty::newFromValue(guid2Str(userInfo.ObjectId)));  
•         eventTelemetry.addProperty(SysApplicationInsightsUserLogBuildNumberProperty::newFromValue(sysUserLog.BuildNum));  
•         eventTelemetry.addProperty(SysApplicationInsightsUserLogSessionIdProperty::newFromValue(int2Str(sysUserLog.SessionId)));  
•         eventTelemetry.addProperty(SysApplicationInsightsUserLogBuildNumberProperty::newFromValue(sysUserLog.BuildNum));  
•         eventTelemetry.addProperty(SysApplicationInsightsComputerNameProperty::newFromValue(sysUserLog.Computername));  
  
•         SysApplicationInsightsTelemetryLogger::instance().trackEvent(eventTelemetry);  
•     }  
• }
```

Telemetry Datacontract

Custom X++ code

SysApplicationInsights
TelemetryLogger

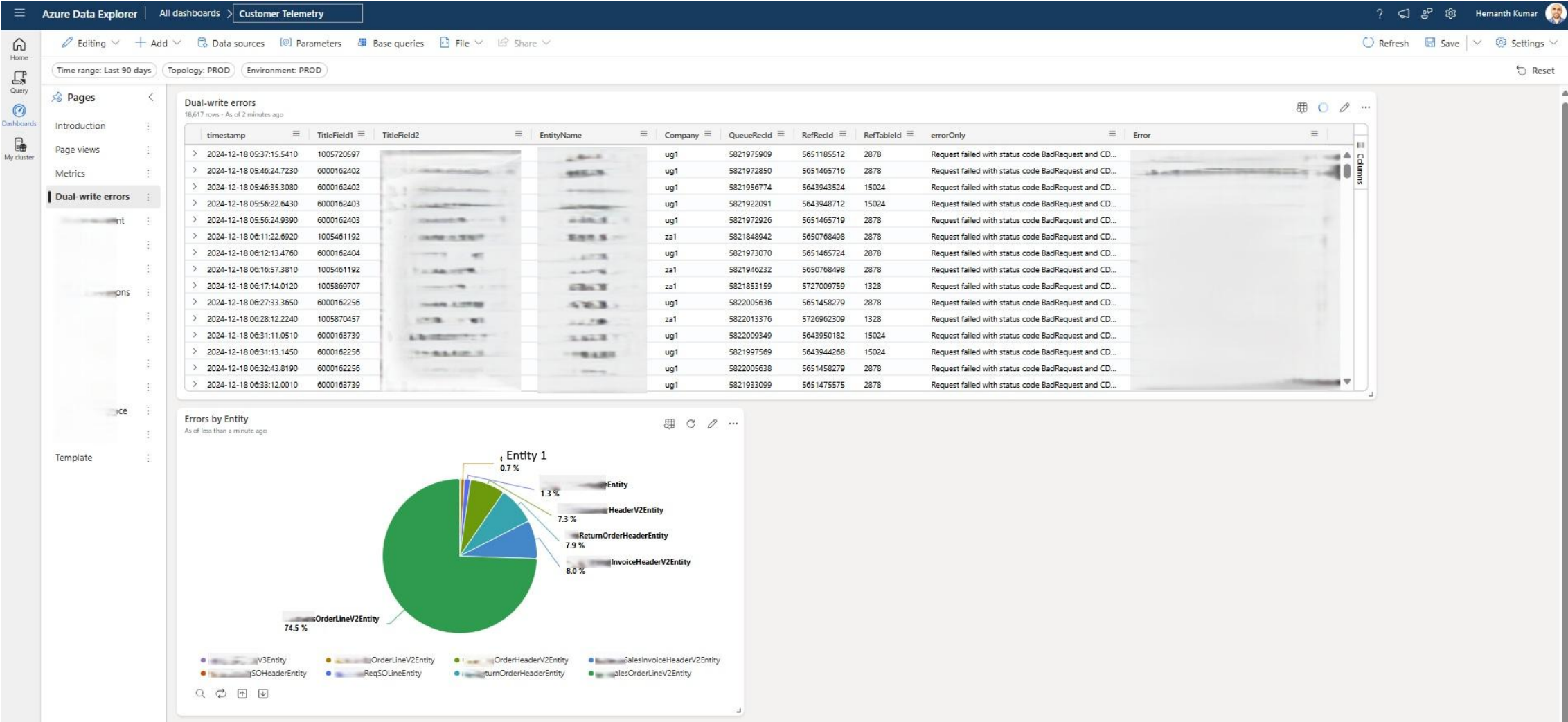
Application Insights
resource



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eventTelemetry.addProperty(SysApplicationInsightsUserObjectIdProperty::newFromValue(guid2Str(userInfo.ObjectId)));
eventTelemetry.addProperty(SysApplicationInsightsUserLogBuildNumberProperty::newFromValue(sysUserLog.BuildNum));
eventTelemetry.addProperty(SysApplicationInsightsUserLogSessionIdProperty::newFromValue(int2Str(sysUserLog.SessionId)));
eventTelemetry.addProperty(SysApplicationInsightsUserLogBuildNumberProperty::newFromValue(sysUserLog.BuildNum));
eventTelemetry.addProperty(SysApplicationInsightsComputerNameProperty::newFromValue(sysUserLog.Computername));

SysApplicationInsightsTelemetryLogger::instance().trackEvent(eventTelemetry);

Custom dual write telemetry

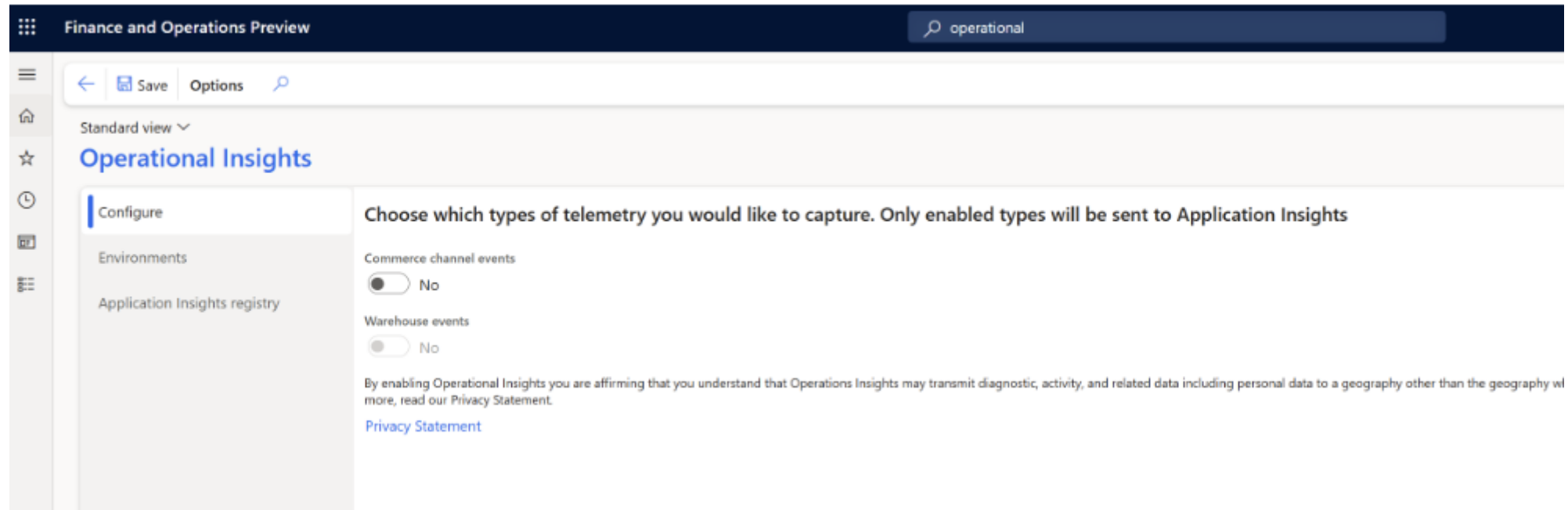


Dynamics 365 Commerce



D365 Commerce Operational Insights

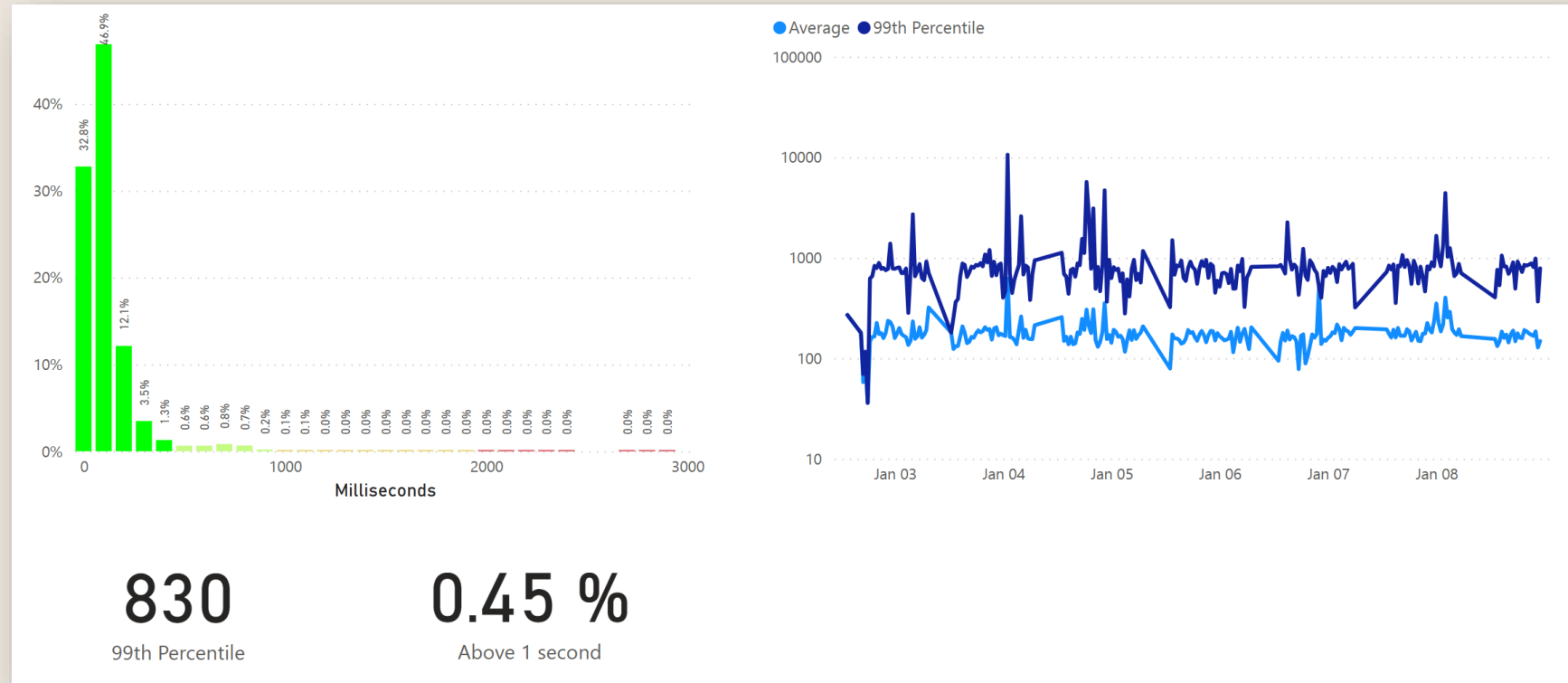
Commerce channels can send performance data, transaction details, and user interaction logs to Application Insights, enabling end-to-end visibility. <https://learn.microsoft.com/en-us/dynamics365/commerce/dev-itpro/operational-insights#enable-diagnostic-events-in-application-insights>



D365 Warehouse telemetry



Examples



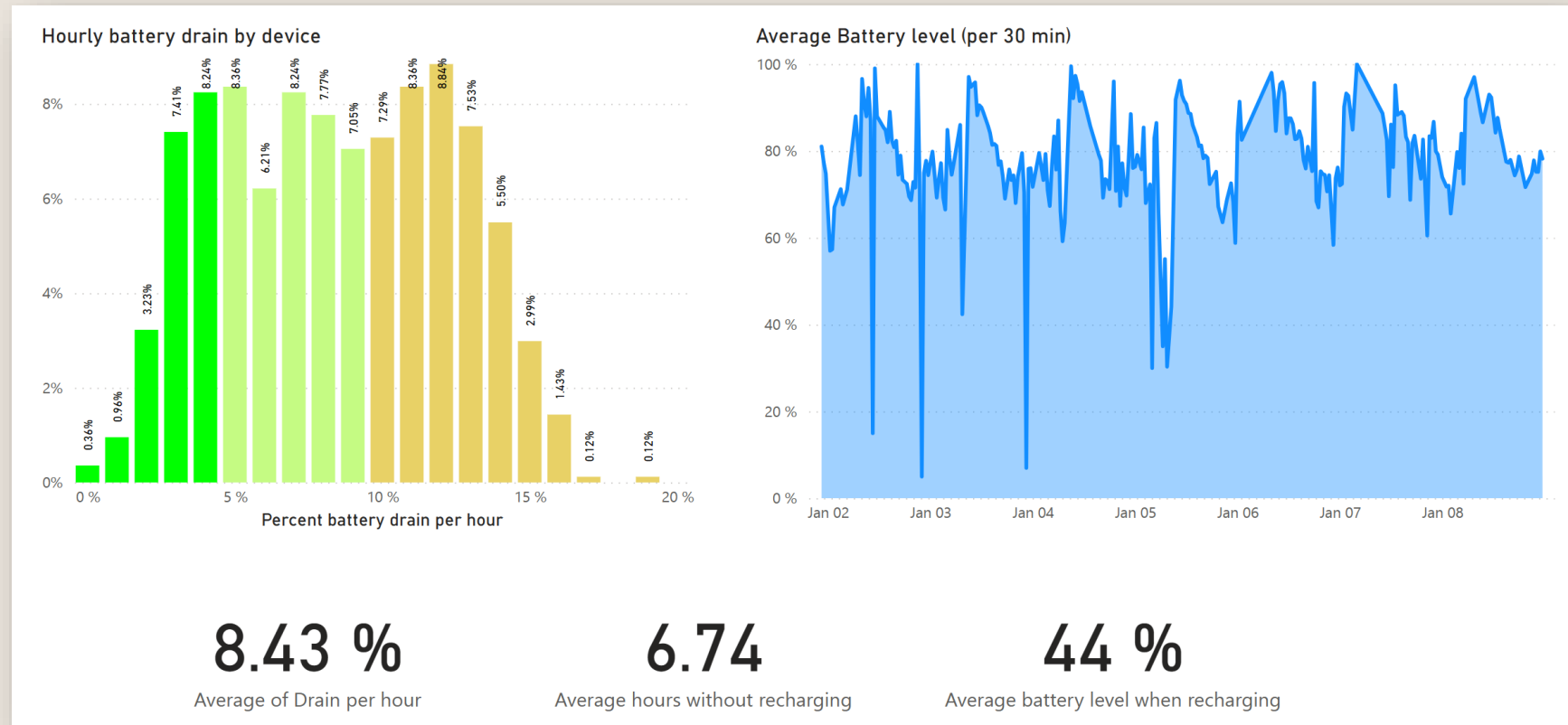
Understand the responsiveness of mobile devices

Examples

client_OS	client_Model	client_Type	Samples	Authorization	Rendering
And 04.4.3	Zebra Technologies	TC55	33533	62.29	427.50
And 08.1.0	Zebra Technologies	TC51	7	4.57	169.71
And 08.1.0	Zebra Technologies	TC56	96	751.22	199.79
And 08.1.0	Zebra Technologies	TC57	36	107.22	306.03
And 10	Zebra Technologies	TC57	153	11.52	187.59
And 11	Zebra Technologies	TC57	1064	15.36	184.03
Total			34889	62.57	418.21

Understand your fleet of mobile devices

Examples



Understand the battery health of mobile devices

Examples

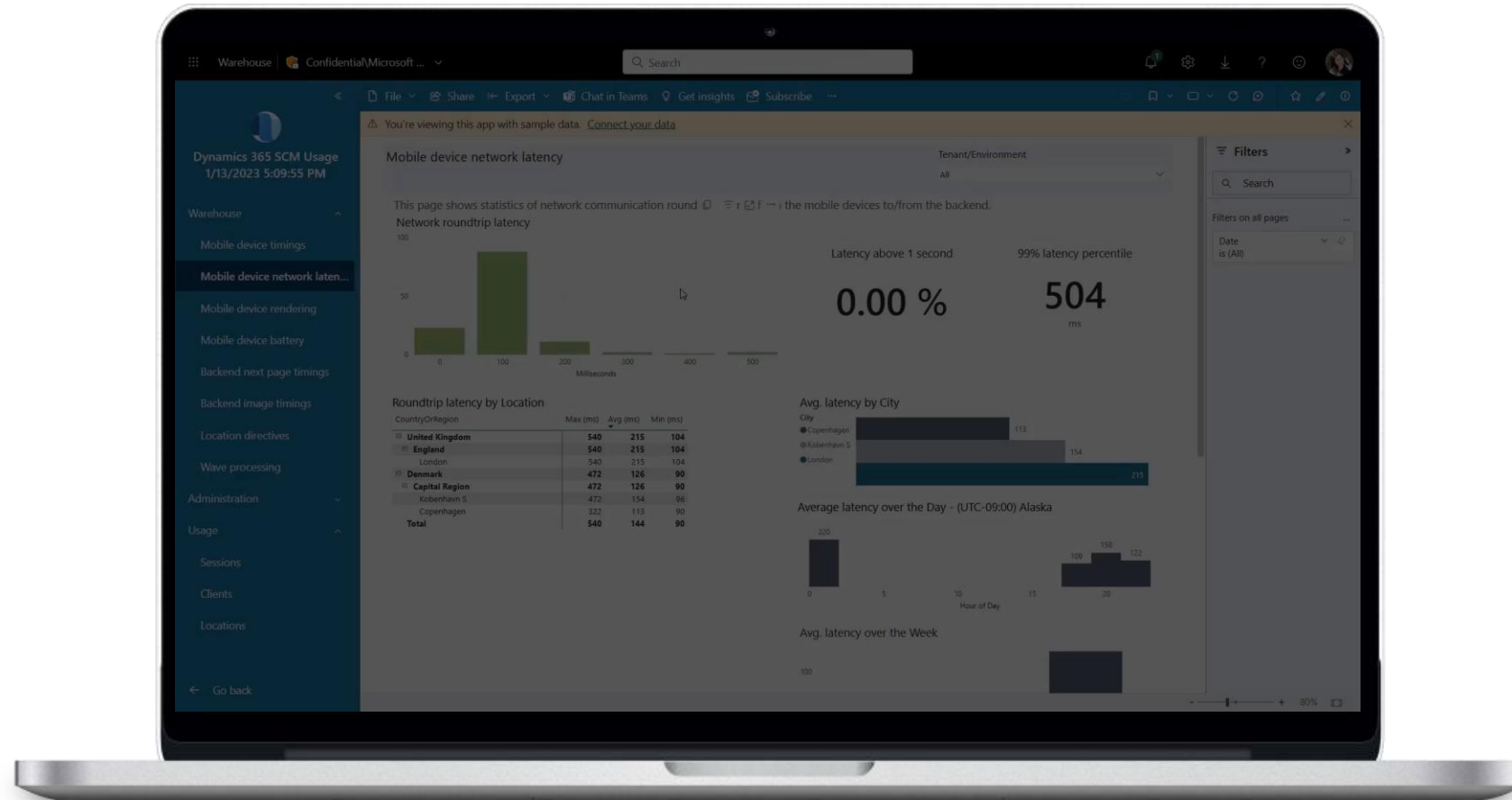
Transaction type	Work type	Count	Total (ms)	Each (ms)	Locations visited (each)	Location actions (each)
Sales	Pick	710,550	198,277K	279	1.29	1.13
Replenishment	Put	23,559	5,561K	236	4.19	1.09
Replenishment	Pick	17,093	3,428K	201	1.07	1.03
Purch	Put	1,044	3,366K	3,224	11.41	1.29
Invent	Put	1,595	2,304K	1,444	4.36	1.06
TransferIssue	Pick	282	1,084K	3,844	1.20	1.05
SortedInventoryPicking	Put	5,682	916K	161	1.00	1.00
Sales	Put	7,755	755K	97	1.00	1.00
TransferReceipt	Put	62	256K	4,132	138.61	1.98
TransferIssue	Put	273	42K	155	1.00	1.00
Total		767,895	215,989K	281	184.72	10.35

Understand Location Directives performance

Bring your own App Insights:

Warehouse monitoring and troubleshooting

- OOB insights for monitoring and troubleshooting:
 - Mobile app processing time.
 - Mobile app network latency.
 - Mobile device rendering speed.
 - Mobile device battery usage.
 - Backend next page preparation time.
 - Backend image preparation time.
 - Location directive performance.
 - Wave processing performance.
 - and so on.



Dataverse Application Insights

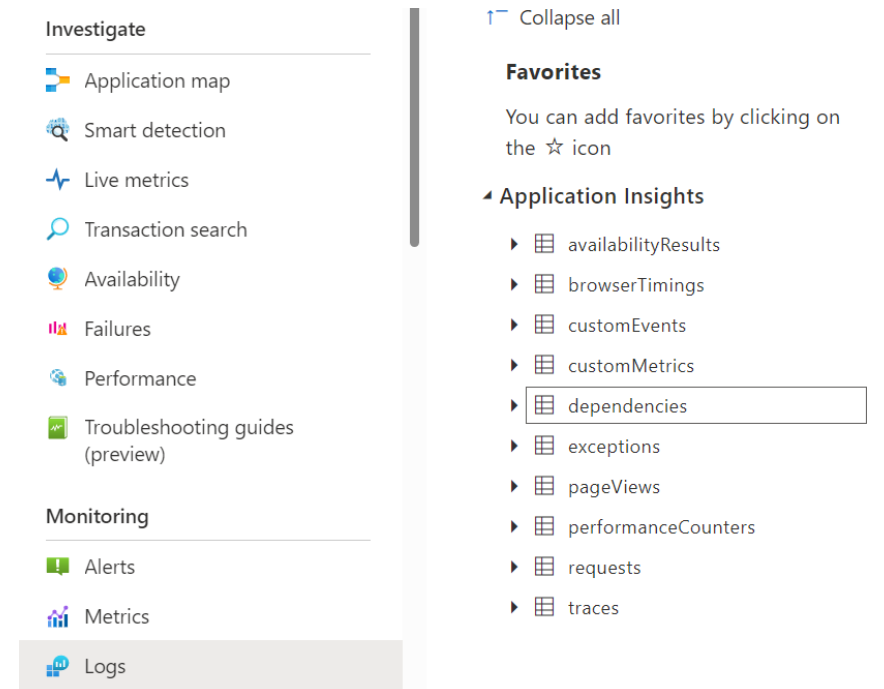
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D365 CE Applications available telemetry

D365 CE telemetry is mapped to standard schema tables defined by App Insights and stored in Logs

Telemetry type	Application Insights table name
Unified Interface page loads	pageViews
Unified Interface outbound network requests	Dependency
Dataverse API incoming calls	Request
Plug-in executions	Dependency
SDK executions (Retrieve, RetrieveMultiple, FetchXML transformation, and so on)	Dependency
Exceptions during the execution of plug-in and SDK calls	Exceptions



Key Use Cases

Performance
Monitoring

Error Detection

Dependency
Analysis

User Interaction
Tracking

Callout: "Telemetry
provides insights,
not activity logs"

Activity Logging and Auditing

Resources

- Application Insights focuses on telemetry and monitoring.
- Use comprehensive auditing for detailed activity logs.
- Admin activity logging for governance and compliance.

- <https://learn.microsoft.com/en-us/power-platform/admin/enable-use-comprehensive-auditing>
- <https://learn.microsoft.com/en-us/power-platform/admin/admin-activity-logging>

Implementing Custom Telemetry in Dataverse

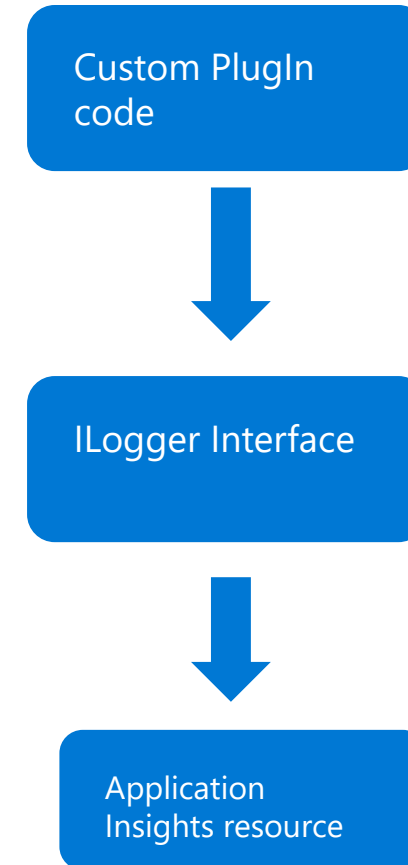
Introducing Custom Telemetry:

- Utilize the *ILogger* interface in plug-ins for tailored telemetry.
- Directly logs data to your Application Insights resource.

Benefits:

- Gain deeper insights into custom plug-in performance.
- Facilitate proactive issue detection and resolution.
- Enhance overall system observability.

Reference: [Write Telemetry to your Application Insights resource using ILogger](#)



Demo

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The Power Platform admin center is the place to manage users, environments, policies, and more.

 Share feedback

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 2 advisories

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Final Reminder: Upcoming changes to email service notification recipients

Dynamics 365 Finance and Operations Apps – Transition to Object ID and Tenant ID for user authentication

Microsoft Copilot Studio – Tenant Graph grounding and autonomous actions

Power Pages version 9.7.1.1 Pre-Production Release

[Show all](#)

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 Power Platform admin center

 Activate Managed Environment

 [Licensing overview for Microsoft Power Platform](#)

 [Power Apps and Power Automate licensing FAQs](#)

Microsoft Power Platform Center of Excellence Kit

 Microsoft Power Platform Adoption

Power Platform Community

Advisor

Recommendation may show for up to a week once acted on.

6 recommendations

Secure agents by setting up data loss prevention policies for Copilot Studio items [View details](#)

[Review Power Apps license recommendations](#) [View details](#)

Improve performance of the websites by migrating them to Bootstrap version 5 [View details](#)

[Review and move websites from standard data model to enhanced data model](#) [View details](#)

Resources

- [Telemetry events for Microsoft Dataverse - Power Platform | Microsoft Learn](#)
- [Application Insights telemetry with Microsoft Dataverse - Dynamics 365 | Microsoft Learn](#)
- [Conversation diagnostics in Azure Application Insights \(preview\) - Power Platform | Microsoft Learn](#) -> *refer to us for more information on how to access the preview*
- **Email for private preview of Unified Routing diagnostics telemetry in Application Insights:**
D365CS_Diagnostics@microsoft.com
- **Dataverse dashboards :** [Dynamics-365-FastTrack-Implementation-Assets/Custom Service/ComponentLibrary/AppInsights-Telemetry/Dataverse at master · microsoft/Dynamics-365-FastTrack-Implementation-Assets · GitHub](#)

D365 Field Service



Dynamics 365 Field Service Monitoring

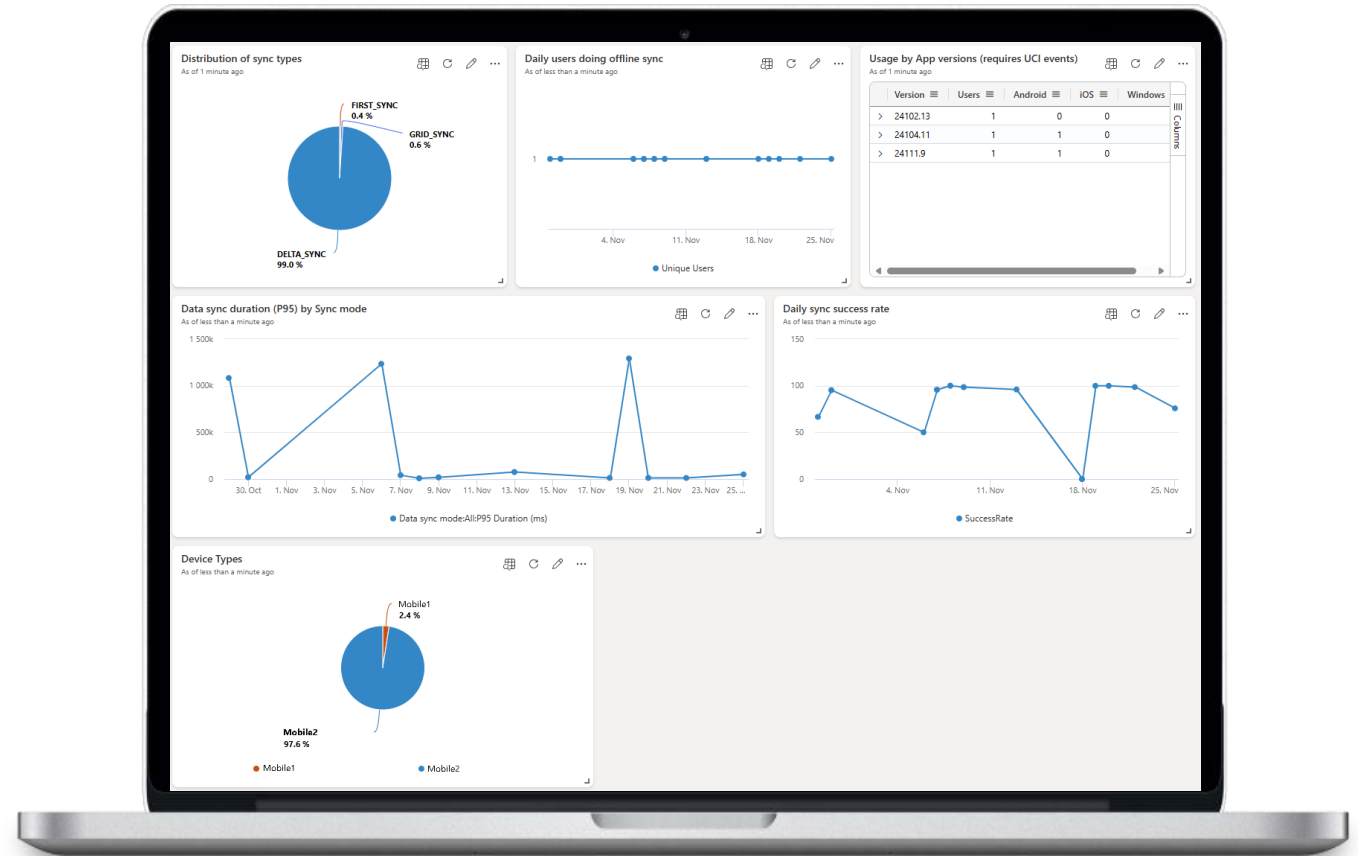
Monitoring

Leverage standard Model-driven and Dataverse telemetry for Field Service Scenarios including

- Network Availability and Performance
- Page Load Times
- Detailed UCI failure events

Field Service Mobile Offline specific telemetry provides insights into the synchronization process

- Sync Summary
- Sync Errors
- Sync Performance
- Sync payload
- Sync Details



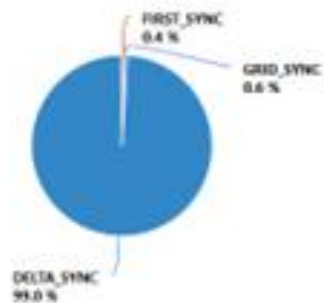
Field Service Mobile Offline Telemetry

- Admins can now proactively identify challenges, monitor Mobile Offline telemetry, and optimize offline sync performance.
 - Gain early visibility into potential issues.
 - Enhance the performance of offline sync processes
 - Keep track of data changes

Separate telemetry export enabled under **Power Apps -> Mobile app synchronization and actions**, exported to the dependencies table in Azure Application Insights

Distribution of sync types

As of 1 minute ago



Daily users doing offline sync

As of less than a minute ago



Usage by App versions (requires UCI events)

As of 1 minute ago

Version	Users	Android	iOS	Windows
> 24102.13	1	0	0	
> 24104.11	1	1	0	
> 24111.9	1	1	0	

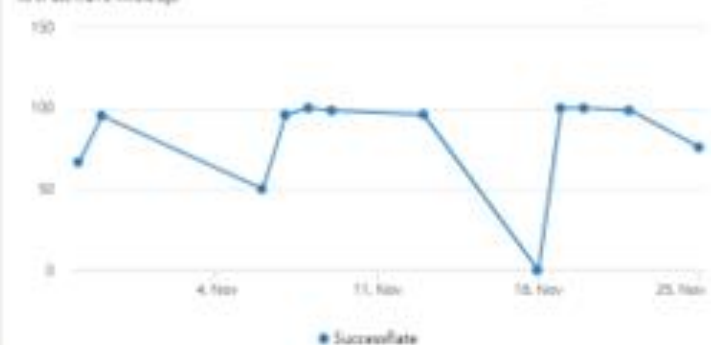
Data sync duration (P95) by Sync mode

As of less than a minute ago



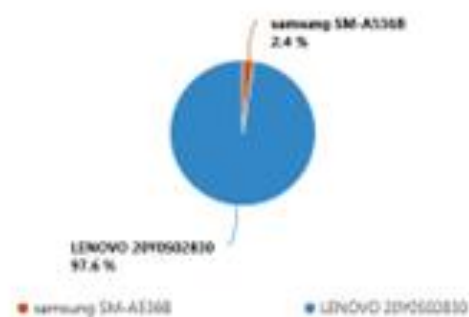
Daily sync success rate

As of less than a minute ago



Device Types

As of less than a minute ago

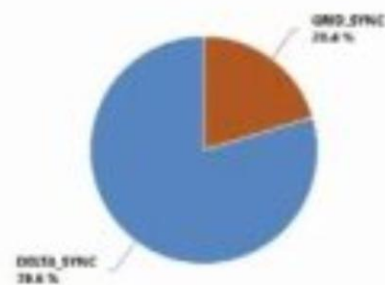


Pages

Sync Summary

- Sync Status
- Sync Performance
- Sync Payload
- Sync Details

Distribution of sync types
As of 4 minutes ago



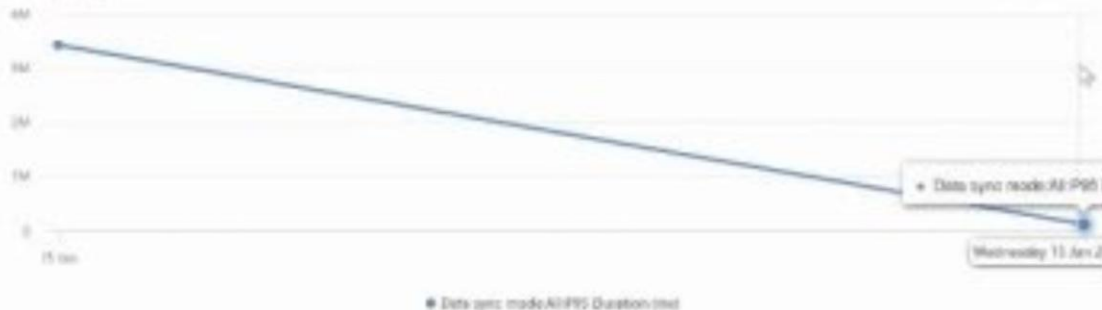
Daily users doing offline sync
As of 4 minutes ago



Usage by App versions (requires UCI events)
As of 4 minutes ago

Version	Users	Android	iOS	Windows
> 24111.0	1	0	0	1
> 24121.10	1	1	0	0

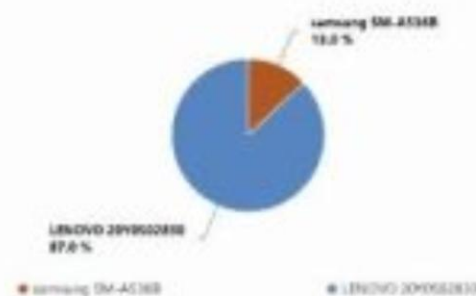
Data sync duration (P95) by Sync mode
As of 4 minutes ago



Daily sync success rate
As of 4 minutes ago



Device Types
As of 4 minutes ago



Alerting Setup




Alerts

The screenshot shows the Microsoft Azure portal interface for the resource **ALMDevDataverse** under the **Application Insights** section. The **Alerts** page is active, displaying a summary of alert counts by severity:

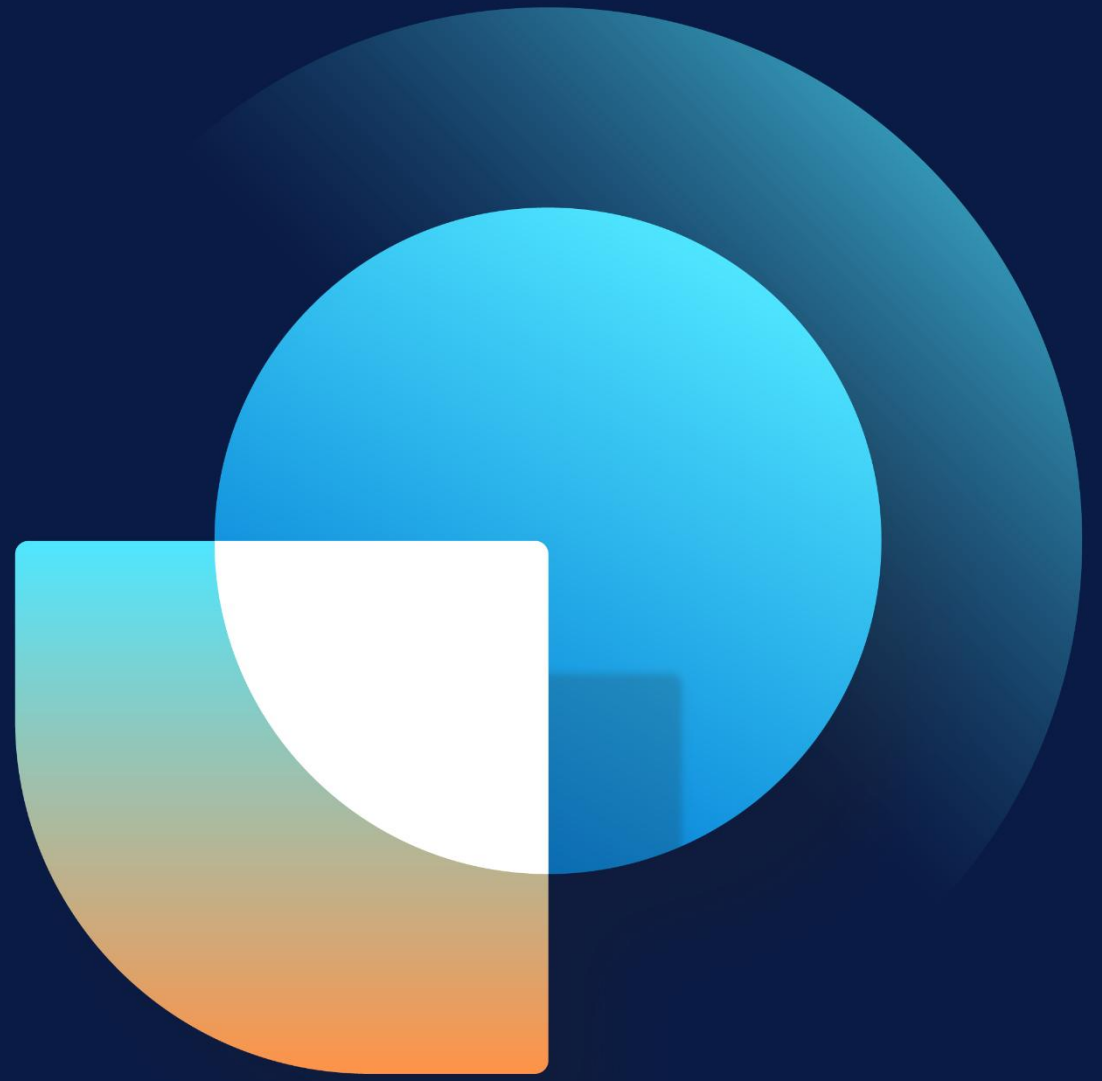
- Total alerts: 0
- Critical: 0
- Error: 0
- Warning: 0
- Informational: 0
- Verbose: 0

The table below shows the details of alerts, but no alerts are present in the past 24 hours.

Name ↑↓	Severity ↑↓	Affected resource ↑↓	Alert condition ↑↓	User response ↑↓	Fire time ↑↓
 No fired alerts in the past 24 hours					

The left sidebar shows the navigation menu with categories: Overview, Investigate, Monitoring, and Usage. The **Alerts** option under Monitoring is highlighted. The bottom of the page shows the URL: <https://portal.azure.com/#@DynamicsFastTrack.onmicrosoft.com/resource/subscriptions/8c22e72d-b899-4e61-ba06-fb59fa64aed0/resourceGroups/SelfServicePortal/providers/microsoft.insights/components/ALMDevDataverse/alertsV2>

Application Insights Cost Model



Application Insights Cost Model

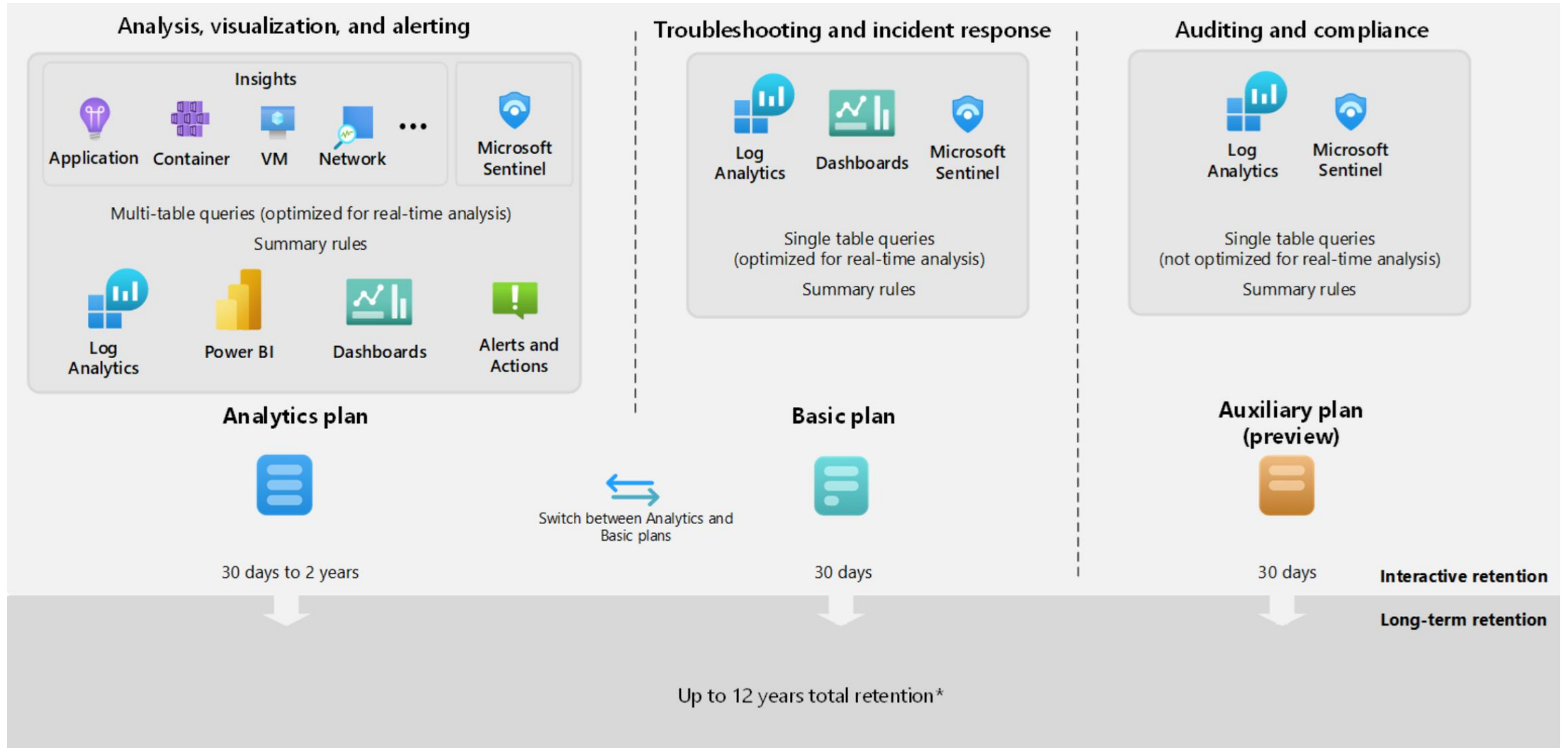
Understanding the Azure Monitor costing model

- Azure monitor pricing calculator
 - [Azure Monitor cost and usage - Azure Monitor | Microsoft Learn](#)
- Ingestion, retention, and export of data in Log Analytics workspaces is the main cost driver.

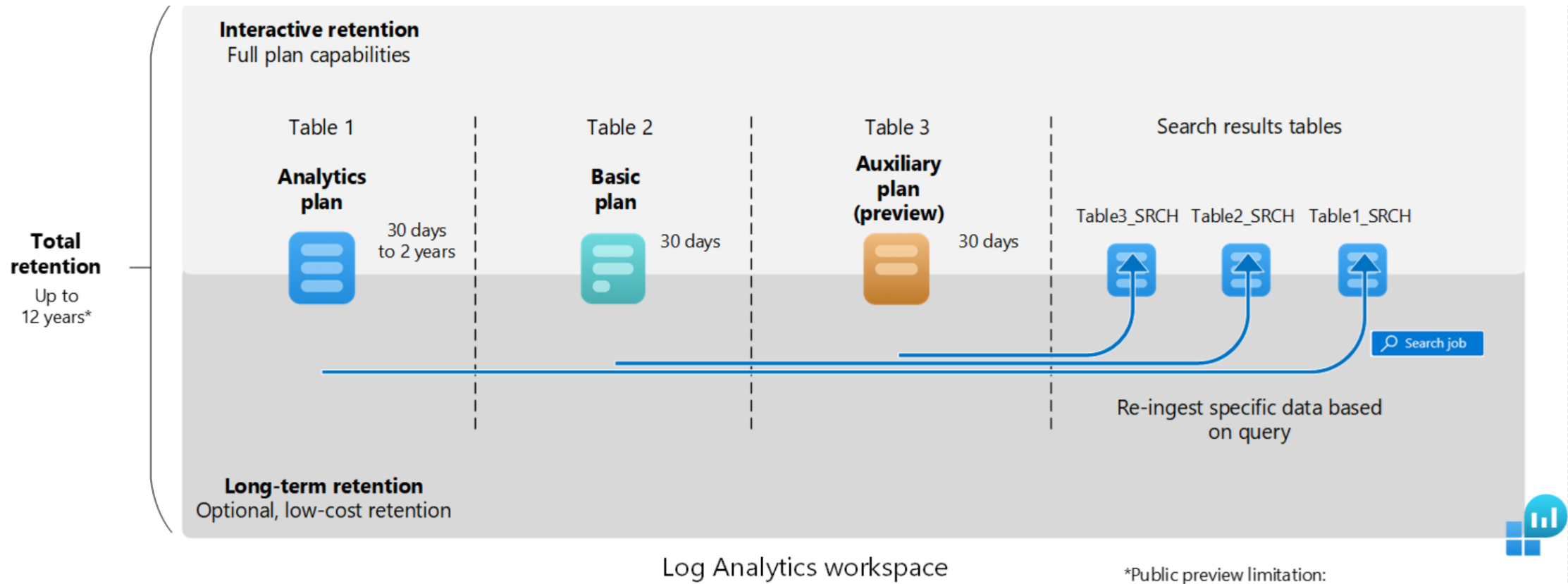
Cost optimization best practices

- Configure the right pricing tier for storage based on overall estimated data volume.
 - <https://learn.microsoft.com/en-us/azure/azure-monitor/logs/data-platform-logs#table-plans>
- Configure data retention and archiving.
 - [Manage data retention in a Log Analytics workspace - Azure Monitor | Microsoft Learn](#)
- Setup alerting for high data collection.
- Set up alerts on Azure Advisor cost recommendations for Log Analytics workspaces.
- Use configuration / sampling / filtering where possible to reduce unneeded telemetry.

Cost Model – Plan comparison



Cost Model – Different types of data retention



Resources



Field Service Mobile Offline Resources

[Telemetry events for mobile app synchronization and actions \(preview\) - Power Platform | Microsoft Learn](#)

[Sample telemetry dashboard for Field Service mobile app offline profile usage - Dynamics 365 | Microsoft Learn](#)

Follow the series of Mobile Offline best practices for assistance in mitigating common issues [Best Practices for Offline Mode in the Field Service mobile app - Part 1 - Microsoft Dynamics 365 Blog](#)

Microsoft Learn articles:

- [Warehouse](#)
- [Finance and SCM](#)
- [Dataverse Ilogger Interface](#)

Application Insights dashboard Resources:

- [Fast Track telemetry samples](#)
- [Dataverse dashboards](#)
- [Field service dashboard](#)



Prerequisites for using Application Insights in D365

1. Azure Subscription
2. Application Insights environment (Requires Contributor, Writer or Admin rights)
3. Application insights environment must be unique for an environment or tenant
4. Dataverse Environment (For Power Platform and D365 CE)
5. The feature is turned on & supported for Managed Environments only (For Power Platform)

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