

# Sumo Logic で DNSクエリログ をセキュリティ分析する

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DNS is an essential technology for systems to communicate over the network, and occurs at a fairly early stage of communication.

Because it occurs in almost all communications, DNS query logs are likely to be collected for security log analysis.

This time, we will collect and analyze DNS query logs using Sumo Logic, a SIEM platform.

While there are many ways to analyze security, we'd like to introduce some common areas to look at.

This time, we'll look at logs from Route53 Resolver, AWS's DNS service.

Even if you want to analyze corporate DNS logs, the analysis perspective is not much different from that of Route53 Resolver logs, so you can read the same information.

## Leverage the Sumo Logic App

You can analyze Amazon Route 53 logs using [Sumo Logic's pre-built dashboard \(app\)](#).

As explained below, you can install the app and create a dashboard in just a few clicks by simply setting the location of the imported logs.

Search for "Amazon Route 53 Resolver Security" in the App Catalog settings and install the app.

This app can visualize and analyze [Route53 Resolver query logs](#) and [DNS Firewall logs](#).

## Route53 Resolver query logs

Route53 Resolver query logs are analyzed from the same perspective as general query logs such as BIND.

### Amazon Route 53 Resolver Security - Security Details Dashboard

To analyze the query logs, first use the Amazon Route 53 Resolver Security - Security Details dashboard.



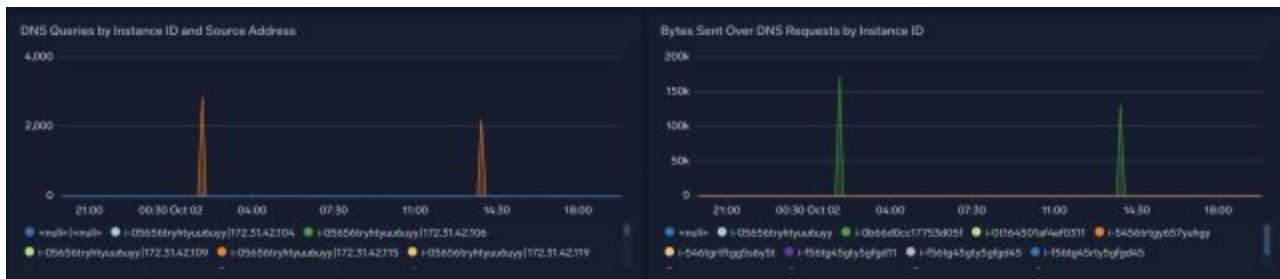
It shows statistics on the number of requests by VPC ID and DNS query type (A record, AAAA record, TXT record, MX record, etc.), and the adjacent panel shows statistics on the number of bytes in DNS requests.



The number of bytes in DNS requests can be used to visualize whether DNS queries with suspiciously long character lengths are occurring when DNS communication with a C2 server is abused.

[This security report example](#) explains how DNS queries with abnormally long character lengths are abused, so please use it as a reference to get an idea of what to look for.

Similarly, you can check request statistics for each DNS query type based on the instance ID and source IP, allowing you to change the focus of your analysis.



Next is a table view for each query. You can see what queries are occurring and see if there are any queries worth noting.

	query_name	response	query_type	firewall_rule_action	firewall_rule_group_id	firewall_domain_list_id	organization
1	c5200bc4e492c292a89da10ccfc0c 53cd851a016.maliciousdomain.com		TXT				
2	e2ca06368c3baa50c5b2dacc3fb cadb95de352.maliciousdomain.com		TXT				
3	d501fbd4abcf22568860e0ef535 e437e3721fe.maliciousdomain.com		TXT				
4	400ecf9d6346156747ddc10bd8d96 e81955e51b9.maliciousdomain.com		TXT				
5	47b79ad17c155cc2d5b2d616fa88 b2e37dd9a61.maliciousdomain.com		TXT				
6	e19a2127bc2ea2a645f545d98a6 esf0762e377/maliciousdomain.com		TXT				
7	73bd6521b220a32d07e7ab8cd08 e176d42931a2.maliciousdomain.com		TXT				

The Top 50 Highest Entropy Domains panel allows you to analyze whether queries to highly random domains are occurring.

Security products quickly identify malicious domains and attempt to block communications to those domains, but attackers quickly switch domains to further circumvent those defenses.

Because domains must use globally unique character strings, attackers automate the

generation of domains using a domain generation algorithm called DGA (Domain Generation Algorithm). This panel allows you to analyze whether queries to such highly random domains are occurring.

High Entropy Domains and Large DNS Queries				
Top 50 Highest Entropy Domains				
	root	query_name	entropy	_count
1	amylendscrestview	amylendscrestview.com	3.6901165175936654	1
2	purposeadvisorsolutions	purposeadvisorsolutions.com	3.4800836951874485	1
3	navyfederalautooverseas	navyfederalautooverseas.com	3.480083695187448	1
4	paulisdogshop	paulisdogshop.de	3.238901256602631	1
5	spsshomeworkhelp	spsshomeworkhelp.com	3.202819531114783	1
6	maliciousdomain	d5501fbda5abcf22568860e0ef535e437e 3721fe.maliciousdomain.com	3.189898095464288	1
7	maliciousdomain	9c68d67f0c65266b5801b517e349ce0d24	3.189898095464288	1

The Top 50 Domains by Query Length and InstanceID panel is similar to the previous panel in that it checks for DNS queries with unusually long lengths or meaningless strings of alphanumeric characters that may contain encoded information.

- Potentially used for DGA, C2 and Exfiltration				
Top 50 Domains by Query Length and InstanceID				
	instance_id	dns_length	query_name	_count
1	i-0b66d0cc17753d05f	60	21afba2c1137997948ce20ab72e1178eedfa1c87. maliciousdomain.com	99
2	i-0b66d0cc17753d05f	60	73bd6521b220a3a2d07e7ab8cd08e176d42931 a2.maliciousdomain.com	126
3	i-0b66d0cc17753d05f	60	700664b694a04e03bb0f4179da7f8c4237dd1c d2.maliciousdomain.com	106
4	i-0b66d0cc17753d05f	60	8311703ed328be77b93a8b15e2eb1880b2d597 88.maliciousdomain.com	113
5	i-0b66d0cc17753d05f	60	f55f3181af680cbac192fbef26a9a7981b79c8ea. maliciousdomain.com	121

The Reverse DNS Query to Non-Existent Domain by ... panel analyzes instances of non-existent reverse lookups (searching for a domain from an IP address). Reverse lookups are sometimes used ([see references](#)) , such as in mail servers, where the server is configured to not accept email delivery unless a reverse lookup is possible. However, they can also be used for network discovery, so use these panels to check for suspicious communications.

Reverse DNS Queries - Potentially Used for Network Discovery					
Reverse DNS Query to Non-Existent Domain by Instance ID		Reverse DNS Query to Non-Existent Domain by Query Name & Instance ID			
instance_id	_count	query_name	_count	query_name	instance_id
i-0b66d0cc17753d05f	43	91.39.31.172.in-addr.arpa.	3	91.39.31.172.in-addr.arpa.	i-0b66d0cc17753d05f
		84.39.31.172.in-addr.arpa.	3	84.39.31.172.in-addr.arpa.	i-0b66d0cc17753d05f
		96.39.31.172.in-addr.arpa.	2	88.39.31.172.in-addr.arpa.	i-0b66d0cc17753d05f
		80.39.31.172.in-addr.arpa.	2	100.39.31.172.in-addr.arpa.	i-0b66d0cc17753d05f
		95.39.31.172.in-addr.arpa.	2	82.39.31.172.in-addr.arpa.	i-0b66d0cc17753d05f
		92.39.31.172.in-addr.arpa.	2	89.39.31.172.in-addr.arpa.	i-0b66d0cc17753d05f
		101.39.31.172.in-addr.arpa.	2	81.39.31.172.in-addr.arpa.	i-0b66d0cc17753d05f

The Successful Reverse DNS Query by... panel analyzes reverse lookup queries to existing domains.

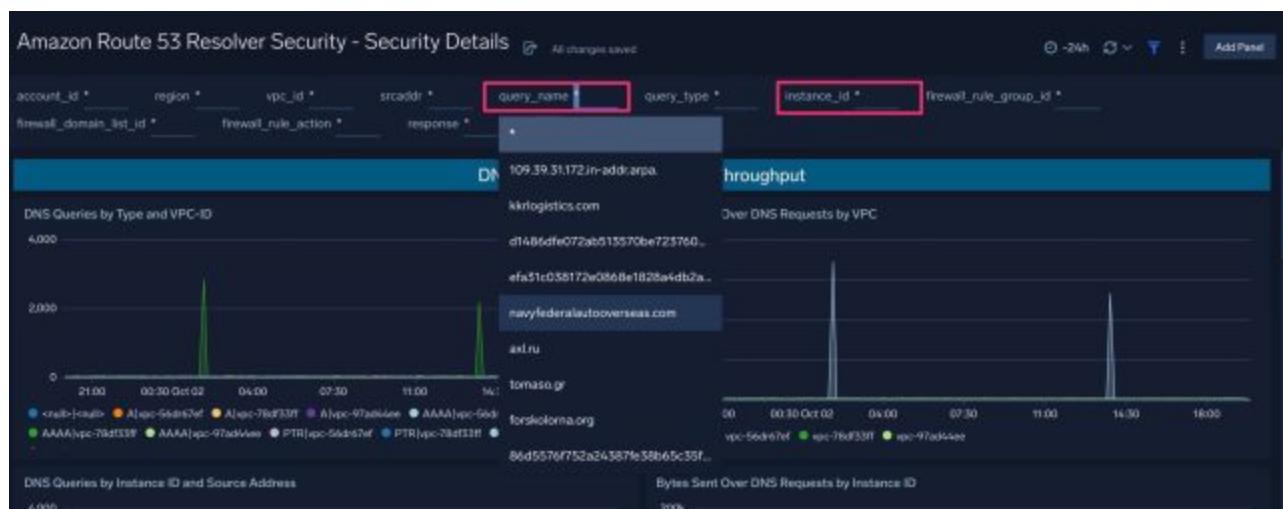
It analyzes whether reverse lookups should be performed, their frequency, and whether there was any attacker activity such as network reconnaissance.

Successful Reverse DNS Query by Instance ID		Successful Reverse DNS Query by Query Name		Successful Reverse DNS Query by Query Name & Instance ID	
instance_id	_count	query_name	response	query_name	response
i-561g4bgt5fgd4t	561	106.39.31.172.in-addr.arpa.	172.31.42.106	155.42.31.172.in-addr.arpa.	172.31.42.156
i-561g45ty5gfd4s	548	155.42.31.172.in-addr.arpa.	172.31.42.155	178.42.31.172.in-addr.arpa.	172.31.42.178
i-561g45ty5gfd4s	546	109.39.31.172.in-addr.arpa.	172.31.42.109	106.39.31.172.in-addr.arpa.	172.31.42.106
i-05656tryhtlyuu6way	535	178.42.31.172.in-addr.arpa.	172.31.42.178	106.39.31.172.in-addr.arpa.	172.31.42.106
i-566grrftgg5s6y3t	539	158.39.31.172.in-addr.arpa.	172.31.42.358	109.39.31.172.in-addr.arpa.	172.31.42.109
i-561g45ty5gfd4t	523	115.42.31.172.in-addr.arpa.	172.31.42.315	106.39.31.172.in-addr.arpa.	172.31.42.106
i-0y6664390n45091f6	522	179.42.31.172.in-addr.arpa.	172.31.42.179		

Also, returning to the top of the dashboard, you can use filters to narrow down these panels to what you want to see most effectively.

Correlating information visible from logs of other systems is especially important for correlation analysis performed with SIEM.

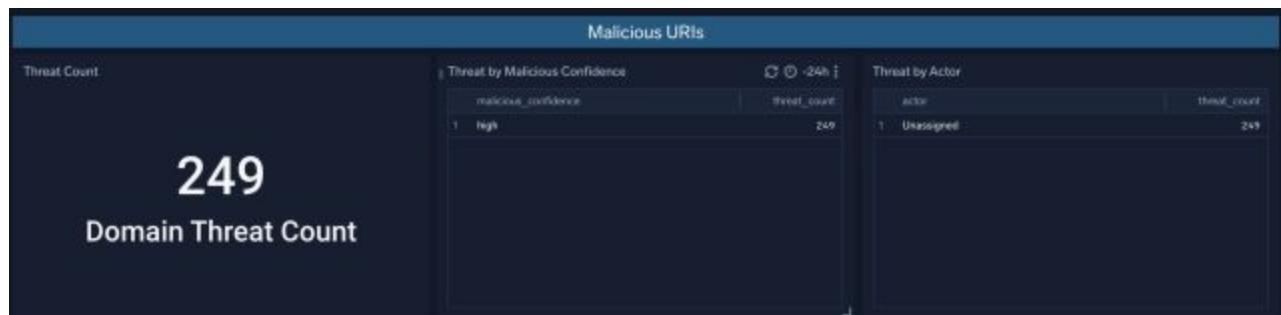
For example, if you find access logs to a suspicious URL in proxy logs, you can narrow down your search by using a specific query name filter in DNS query logs. Once you've identified the instance, you can filter by instance ID and correlate it to gain the security insights we've discussed so far.



## Amazon Route 53 Resolver Security - Threat Intel Dashboard

The "Amazon Route 53 Resolver Security - Threat Intel" dashboard allows you to compare CrowdStrike threat intelligence with DNS query logs to determine whether domains and IP addresses have been used by attackers in the past.

The number of times a domain has been queried for a threat determination. This shows the credibility of the threat and the attacker group identified by CrowdStrike.



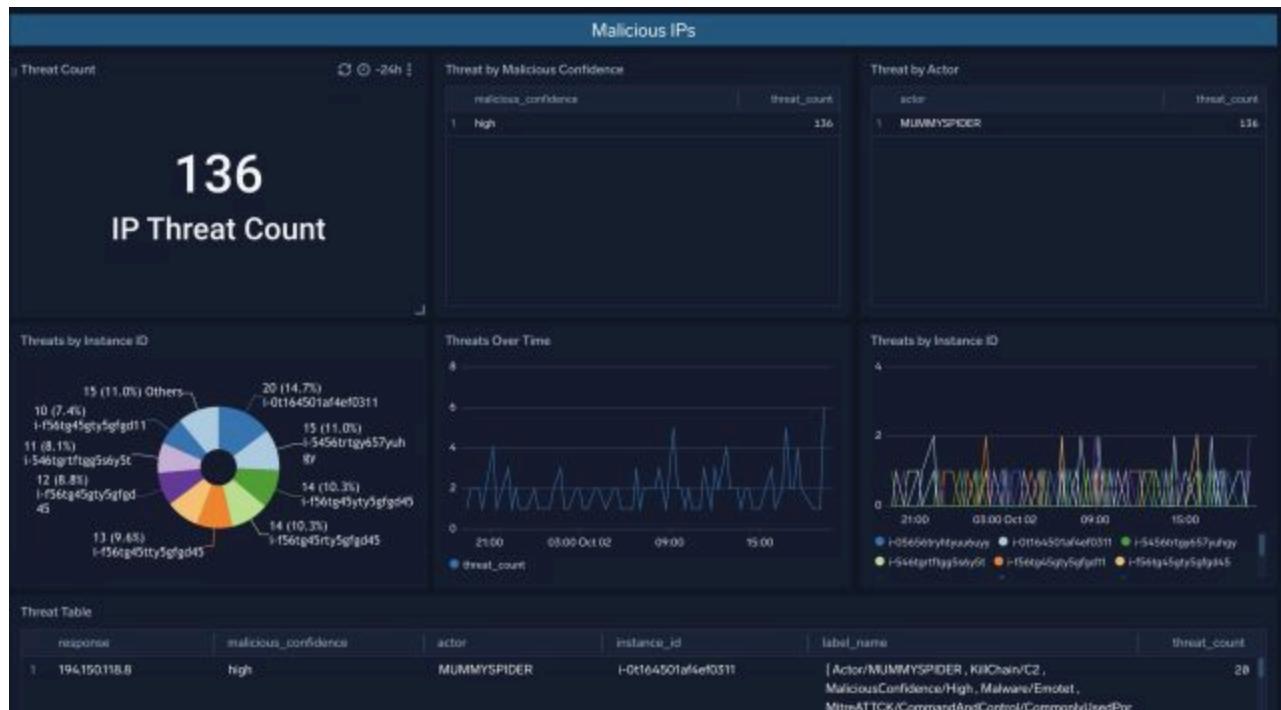
You can analyze instances where DNS queries were judged to be threats, as well as statistics over time.



You can see the details in table format.

Threat Table						
query_name	malicious_confidence	actor	instance_id	label_name	threat_count	
1 naourl.com	High	Unassigned	I-oy6464390r4509114	[ ThreatType/Downloader , KillChain/C2 , ThreatType/TargetedCrimware , ThreatType/Targeted , ThreatType/InformationStealer , ThreatType/CredentialHarvesting , Malware/LokiBot , ThreatType/RAT , MaliciousConfidence/High , ThreatType/Banking , ThreatType/Criminal ]	31	
2 naourl.com	High	Unassigned	I-05656tryhtyu6way	[ ThreatType/Downloader , KillChain/C2 , ThreatType/TargetedCrimware ]	30	

This is the analysis result obtained by matching the IP addresses included in the DNS queries with CrowdStrike's threat intelligence. It can be analyzed from the same perspective as above.



This example is for a demo environment, so the results displayed are of many threats, but for normal operation, it is best to set up alerts so that you can immediately check any results that are displayed.

## When you want to analyze DNS query logs such as BIND on-premises

At the time of writing, Sumo Logic does not seem to have a pre-built dashboard (app) for on-premises DNS query logs.

You can use the analysis perspective of the app "Amazon Route 53 Resolver Security" introduced here, so you can create a similar dashboard by copying the query from this dashboard and slightly modifying the data source and parsing.

## summary

By importing DNS query logs into a SIEM product and visualizing them, it seems possible to continuously analyze normal conditions and determine what is abnormal.

Because there are many attacks that exploit DNS, we recommend analyzing DNS query logs using SIEM.