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## Linux Configure Logwatch on the Central Log Server

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I'm using Logwatch for reporting on unusual items in syslog. I've central [logserver up and running](#) [2]. All other Linux servers send logs to a remote loghost called log.example.com. How do I configure Logwatch on the central log server so that it will send daily logs messages in a single e-mail?

logwatch is system log analyzer and reporter. It will go through your logs for a given period of time and make a report in the areas that you wish with the detail that you wish.

Logwatch is being used for Linux and many types of UNIX. Logwatch will separate entries by hostname, if you set SplitHosts to yes. Make sure the option MultiEmail is set to no in order to send a single e-mail message.

### Step #1: Configuration Logwatch On The Central Log Server

You need to edit the /etc/logwatch/conf/logwatch.conf file on the central log server. Edit the file using vi text editor, enter:

```
# vi /etc/logwatch/conf/logwatch.conf
```

Update / add settings as follows:

```
SplitHosts = yes
HostLimit  = no
MultiEmail = no
```

### Step # 2: Disable Logwatch On Other Servers

Now you've a central logserver which has been configured to report on logs received from all systems. You need to disable logwatch cron job on all other boxes:

```
# mv /etc/cron.daily/0logwatch /path/to/backup
```

Alternatively, you can simply remove the logwatch package:

```
# rpm -e logwatch
```

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