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Add a user

Add users when you want to manually provide individuals with access to Grafana.

When you create a user using this method, you must create their password. The user does not receive a notification by email. To invite a user to Grafana and allow them to create their own password, [invite a user to join an organization]({{< relref "../manage-org-users/invite-user-join-org.md">}}).

When you configure advanced authentication using OAuth, SAML, LDAP, or the Auth proxy, users are created automatically.

Before you begin

- Ensure that you have Grafana server administrator privileges

To add a user:

1. Sign in to Grafana as a server administrator.
2. Hover your cursor over the **Server Admin** (shield) icon until a menu appears, and click **Users**.
3. Click **New user**.
4. Complete the fields and click **Create user**.

When you create a user, the system assigns the user viewer permissions in a default organization, which you can change. You can now [add a user to a second organization]({{< relref "../add-remove-user-to-org.md">}}).

Note: If you have [organization administrator]({{< relref "../about-users-and-permissions.md#organization-roles">}}) permissions and not [server administrator]({{< relref "../about-users-and-permissions.md#grafana-server-administrators">}}) permissions, you can still add users by [inviting a user to join an organization]({{< relref "../manage-users-and-permissions/manage-org-users/invite-user-join-org.md">}}).