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