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Service Health

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Incident affecting Google Cloud Networking

Cloud Networking: Up to 40% packet loss between affected zones

Incident began at 2022-03-18 15:20 and ended at 2022-03-18 15:28 (all times are US/Pacific).

Previously affected location(s)

Taiwan (asia-east1), Tokyo (asia-northeast1), Osaka (asia-northeast2), Seoul (asia-northeast3), Singapore (asia-southeast1), Jakarta (asia-southeast2), Sydney (australia-southeast1), Melbourne (australia-southeast2), Warsaw (europe-central2), Finland (europe-west4), Belgium (europe-west1), London (europe-west2), Frankfurt (europe-west3), Netherlands (europe-west4), Zurich

(europe-west6), Montréal (northamerica-northeast1), Iowa (us-central1), South Carolina (us-east1), Northern Virginia (us-east4), Oregon (us-west1) DATE TIME DESCRIPTION Summary On Friday, 18 March 2022 at 15:20 US/Pacific, Google Cloud Networking experienced intermittent packet loss for traffic between multiple cloud regions for a duration of 8 minutes. The issue was identified and mitigated automatically by 15:28 US/Pacific. We understand this issue has affected our valued customers and users, and we apologize to those who were affected. **Root Cause** Google's production backbone is a global network that enables connectivity for all user-facing traffic via Points of Presence (POPs) or internet exchanges. A rare hardware failure of a component on the fiber paths from one of the transpacific gateway campuses in Google's production backbone led to a decrease in available network bandwidth between the gateway and multiple edge locations, causing packet loss. **Remediation and Prevention** Google's automated repair mechanisms detected the decrease in available network bandwidth on Friday, 18 March 2022 at 15:20 US/Pacific and automatically routed the traffic through alternate links. The traffic rerouting completed on Friday, 18 March 2022 at 15:28 US/Pacific, mitigating the issue. While our automated mechanisms worked as intended and recovered the traffic without manual intervention, we understand that the scope of impact caused by this rare event affected our customers. We have been working on optimizing our global network to minimize the time spent automatically reconfiguring around failures like this (known as "convergence time"). While we have made progress, efforts to improve still further remain ongoing. We continue to ensure that the current technology is optimally configured to minimize the frequency and severity of these issues. Google is committed to quickly and continually improving our technology and operations to prevent service disruptions. We appreciate your patience and apologize again for the impact to your organization. We thank you for your business. **Detailed Description of Impact** 28 Mar 2022 20:49 PDT Customers may have observed packet loss for traffic routed via transpacific links on Google's backbone. This could include traffic from or to any of the following cloud regions: asia-east1 asia-northeast1 • asia-northeast2 asia-northeast3 asia-southeast1 asia-southeast2 australia-southeast1 australia-southeast2 us-west1 us-central1 us-east1 us-east4 northamerica-northeast1 europe-west1 europe-west2 europe-west3 europe-west4 europe-west6 europe-west8 europe-west9 europe-central2 europe-north1 We apologize for the inconvenience this service disruption/outage may have caused. We would like to provide some information about this incident below. Please note, this information is based on our best knowledge at the time of posting and is subject to change as our investigation continues. If you have experienced impact outside of what is listed below, please reach out to Google Support by opening a case using https://cloud.google.com/support. (All Times US/Pacific) **Incident Start:** 18 March 2022 15:20 **Incident End:** 18 March 2022 15:28 **Duration:** 8 minutes Affected Services and Features: Google Cloud Networking ② 21 Mar 2022 10:36 PDT Regions/Zones: asia-east1, asia-northeast1, asia-northeast2, asia-northeast3, asia-southeast1, asia-southeast2, austrailia-southeast1, austrailia-southeast2 us-west1, uscentral1, us-east1, us-east4, northamerica-northeast1, europe-west1, europe-west2, europe-west3, europe-west4, europe-west6, europe-west8, europe-west9, europe-central2, europe-north1 **Description:** Google Cloud Networking experienced intermittent packet loss for transit traffic in multiple cloud regions for 8 minutes. From preliminary analysis, the root cause is a hardware issue on a component of Google Cloud's networking equipment. The issue was identified and mitigated automatically. **Customer Impact:** Customers may have observed packet loss for transit traffic in the above mentioned cloud regions. We experienced an issue with Cloud Networking beginning at Friday, 2022-03-18 15:20 US/Pacific. Self-diagnosis: Customers may have experienced up to 40% packet loss between VMs in the following affected regions: asia-east1 asia-northeast1 asia-northeast2 asia-northeast3 asia-southeast1 asia-southeast2 austrailia-southeast1 austrailia-southeast2 us-west1 us-central1 us-18 Mar 2022 17:01 PDT east1 us-east4 northamerica-northeast1 europe-west1 europe-west2 europe-west3 europe-west4 europe-west6 europe-west8 europe-west9 europesouthwest1 europe-central2 europe-north1 The issue has been resolved for all affected projects as of Friday, 2022-03-18 15:36 US/Pacific. We thank you for your patience while we worked on resolving the issue. Summary: Cloud Networking: Up to 40% packet loss between affected zones

Description: We are investigating a potential issue with Cloud Networking.

We will provide more information by Friday, 2022-03-18 17:25 US/Pacific.

Diagnosis: None at this time.

Workaround: None at this time.

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