

Microsoft 365 Defender – Things you should go do

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But first – No sessions this year without ChatGPT

Yes, we asked ChatGPT for the top 5 must do things as a SecOp and SecAdmin with Microsoft 365 Defender



5 Sec Ops must do things according to ChatGPT

As a security operator with Microsoft 365 Defender, here are five essential tasks you should do:

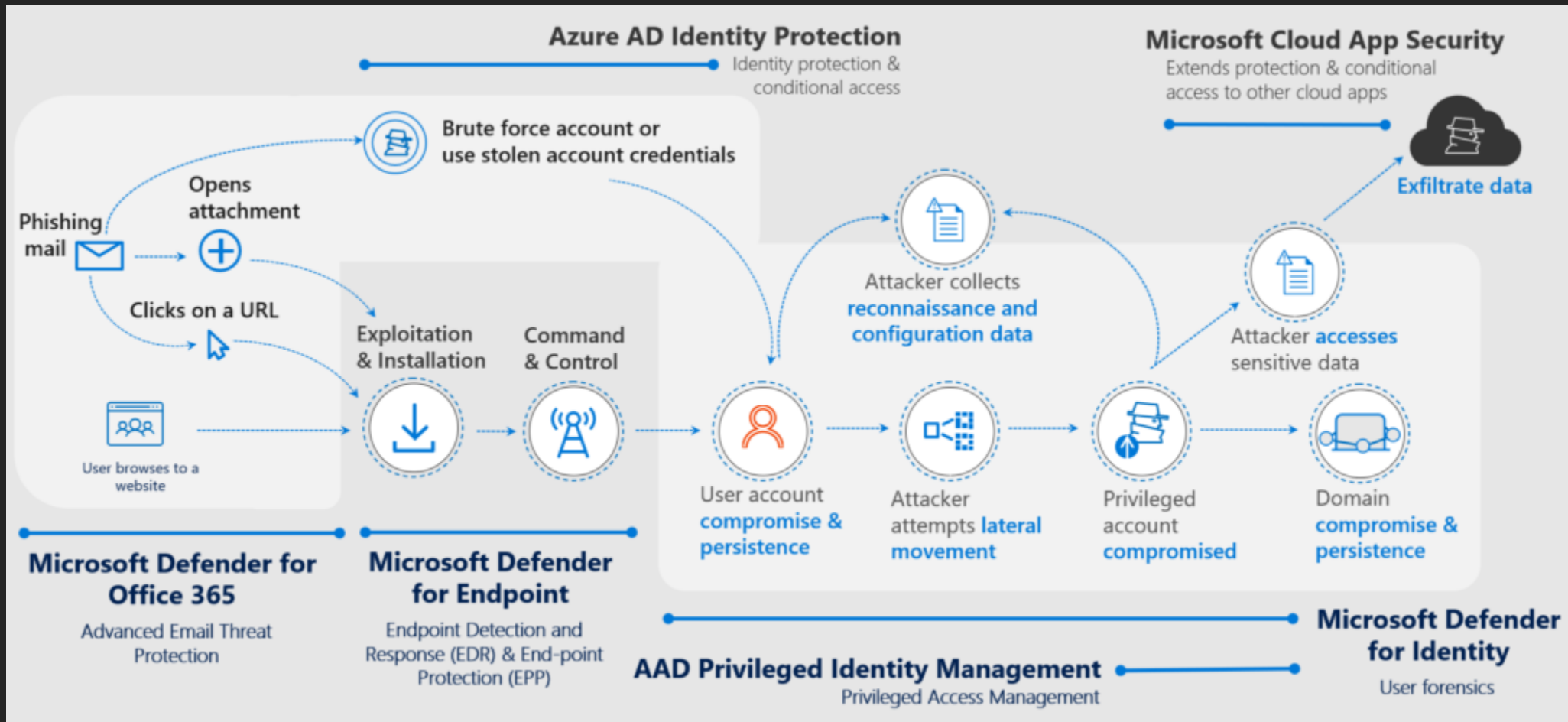
1. Investigate security incidents
2. Respond to threats
3. Monitor and maintain security
4. Stay informed: Keep up-to-date with the latest cybersecurity threats and trends
5. Report and document incidents

Introduction – M365Defender

Defender Overview

- **M365D – Microsoft 365 Defender**
 - *MDI – Microsoft Defender for Identity*
 - *MDCA – Microsoft Defender for Cloud Apps*
 - *MDO – Microsoft Defender for Office*
 - *MDE – Microsoft Defender for Endpoint*
 - TVM Add-on
- **MDC – Defender for Cloud**
- *MDTI*
- *MD4IoT – Microsoft Defender for IoT*

XDR coverage



Things to do

M365D Unified RBAC

Settings > Microsoft 365 Defender

Account

Email notifications

Preview features

Alert service settings

Permissions and roles

Streaming API

Activate workloads

When you activate the workloads to use the new permission model, any custom roles that were created or managed previously by your organization will no longer grant access to services and data in Microsoft 365 Defender.

Endpoints

☒ Not active

Email & Collaboration

Data and services controlled by Exchange role groups are not affected by activation and you'll still manage those permissions in the [Exchange admin center](#).

☒ Not active

Identity


Enabling this setting will also enforce these permissions on the Microsoft Defender for Identity portal. [Learn more about role groups for MDI](#).

☒ Not active

[Go to Permissions and roles](#)

Permissions and roles

Roles give users permission to view data and complete tasks in Microsoft 365 Defender. Help keep your organization secure

 Import your existing roles from other data sources.

[+ Create custom role](#) [≡ Import roles](#) [✎ Edit](#) [🗑 Delete roles](#)

<input type="checkbox"/> Role name	Description	Data source
<input type="checkbox"/> M365 Defender Administrators	⋮	All Scopes
<input type="checkbox"/> Onevinn MDR Security Analysts	⋮	All Scopes
<input type="checkbox"/> Onevinn MDR Security Administrators	⋮	All Scopes

Use Threat Analytics



Microsoft 365 Defender

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Latest threats

Vulnerability profile: CVE-2023-23376 Windows Common Log File System driver vulnerability

0/0

Threat Insights: High-volume, low word count HTM/HTML phishing campaign

0/0

Activity profile: DEV-0147 extends activity to South America

0/0

Threat analytics profile: Threat actors abuse OneNote to deliver malware

0/0

High-impact threats

Agent Tesla credential theft malware

0/0

Joanap & Brambul

0/0

Malware delivery using ISOs

0/0

MailSniper Exchange attack tool

0/0

Highest exposure threats

Raspberry Robin worm: Part of a larger ecosystem facilitating pre-ransomware activity

22 - Low

Threat Insights: Microsoft investigates Iranian attacks against the Albanian government

22 - Low

Ransomware: A pervasive and ongoing threat

22 - Low

Actor profile: DEV-0270

22 - Low

No alerts

Resolved alerts

Active alerts

No alerts

Resolved alerts

Active alerts

No alerts

Resolved alerts

Active alerts

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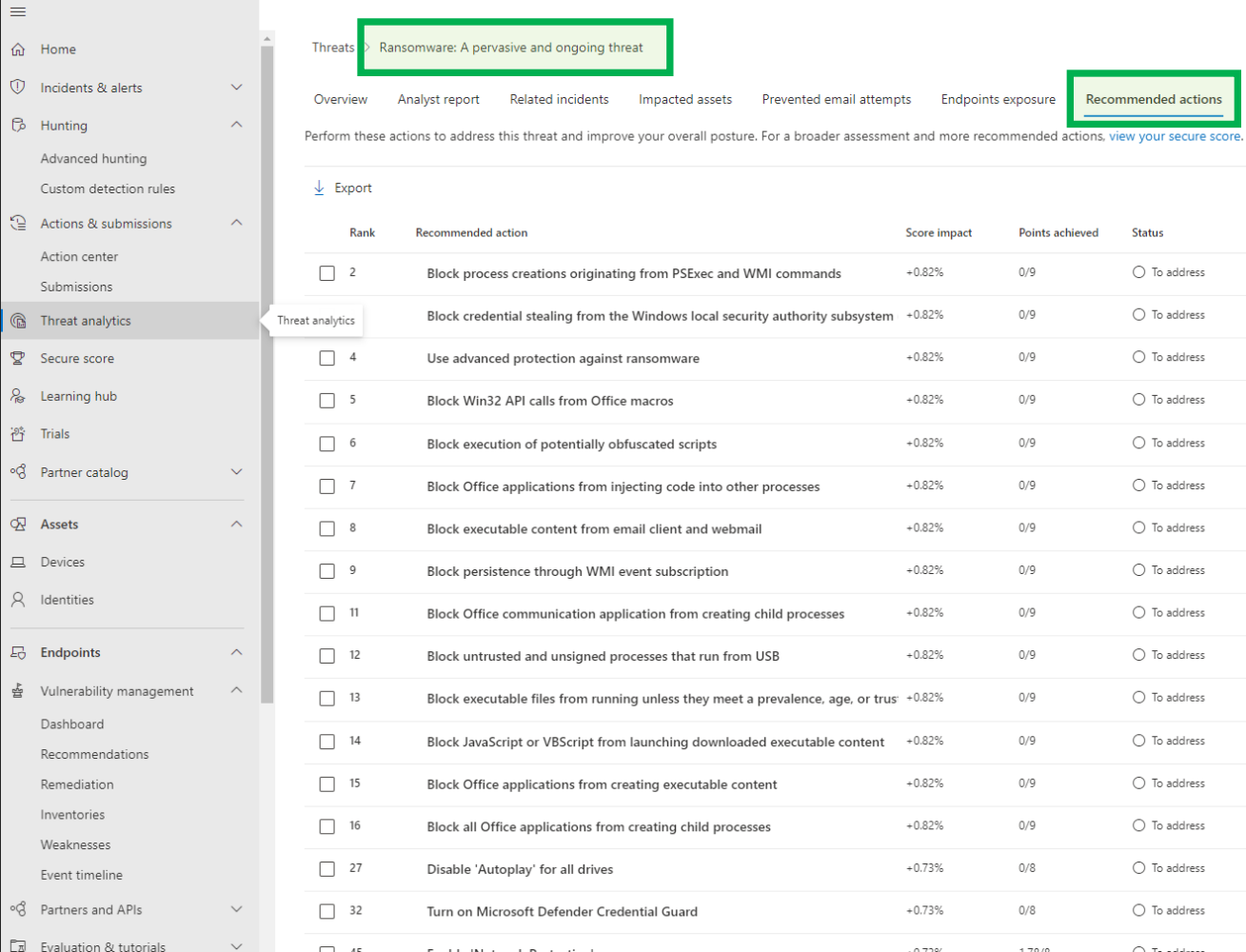
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Filters

Threat	Alerts	Impacted assets	Threat exposure level	Misconfigured devices	Vulnerable devices	Report type	Published	Last updated	Threat tags	
Vulnerability profile: CVE-2023-23376 Windows Common Log File System driver vulnerability	0 active /...		14 - Low	10	5	Vulnerabilities	Feb 14, 2023 12:19 PM	Feb 14, 2023 12:19 PM	Vulnerability Activity group	
Threat Insights: High-volume, low word count HTM/HTML phishing campaign	0 active /...		0 - Low	Not available	Not available	Attack campaigns	Feb 10, 2023 10:00 AM	Feb 10, 2023 10:00 AM	Phishing	
Activity profile: DEV-0147 extends activity to South America	0 active /...		0 - Low	Not available	Not available	Attack campaigns	Feb 10, 2023 7:30 AM	Feb 10, 2023 7:30 AM	Activity group	
Technique profile: Threat actors abuse OneNote to deliver malware	0 active /...		20 - Low	10	Not available	Tools & techniques	Feb 10, 2023 4:02 AM	Feb 10, 2023 4:02 AM	Phishing Activity group	
CVE-2022-47966: Zoho ManageEngine unauthenticated SAML XML RCE vulnerability	0 active /...		0 - Low	Not available	0	Vulnerabilities	Jan 19, 2023 4:28 PM	Feb 7, 2023 7:00 PM	Vulnerability	
Tool profile: Purple Fox exploit kit	0 active /...		20 - Low	10	Not available	Tools & techniques	Feb 1, 2023 3:38 PM	Feb 1, 2023 3:38 PM	Vulnerability	
Attacker technique profile: Abuse of remote monitoring and management tools	0 active /...		20 - Low	10	Not available	Tools & techniques	Feb 1, 2023 8:00 AM	Feb 1, 2023 8:00 AM	Ransomware	
Threat Insights: OAuth consent phishing trust abuse	0 active /...		0 - Low	Not available	Not available	Attack campaigns	Jan 31, 2023 6:05 PM	Jan 31, 2023 6:05 PM	Phishing	
SystemBC tool used in human-operated ransomware intrusions	0 active /...		20 - Low	10	Not available	Tools & techniques	Jan 24, 2023 11:57 AM	Jan 24, 2023 11:57 AM	Ransomware	
DEV-1039 mass SQL server exploitation continues to deliver Mallox ransomware	0 active /...		0 - Low	Not available	Not available	Attack campaigns	Jan 23, 2023 10:35 AM	Jan 23, 2023 10:35 AM	Ransomware Activity group	
Emerging threat group DEV-0671 deploys Cuba ransomware	0 active /...		0 - Low	10	0	Activity groups	Jun 2, 2022 5:00 AM	Jan 10, 2023 9:38 AM	Ransomware Activity group	
DEV-0300 ransomware activity	0 active /...		20 - Low	10	Not available	Activity groups	Jan 9, 2023 5:21 PM	Jan 9, 2023 5:21 PM	Ransomware Activity group	

Use Threat Analytics

- Human operated ransomware



The screenshot displays the Microsoft Threat Analytics interface. The left sidebar contains a navigation menu with options like Home, Incidents & alerts, Hunting, Actions & submissions, Threat analytics (highlighted), Secure score, Learning hub, Trials, Partner catalog, Assets, Devices, Identities, Endpoints, Vulnerability management, and Partners & APIs. The main content area shows a threat titled "Ransomware: A pervasive and ongoing threat". Below this, there is a table of recommended actions. The table has columns for Rank, Recommended action, Score impact, Points achieved, and Status. The actions listed include blocking process creations, credential stealing, advanced protection against ransomware, blocking Win32 API calls, blocking obfuscated scripts, blocking Office applications from injecting code, blocking executable content from email, blocking persistence through WMI, blocking Office communication, blocking untrusted processes, blocking executable files, blocking JavaScript or VBScript, blocking Office applications from creating executable content, blocking all Office applications from creating child processes, disabling 'Autoplay' for all drives, and turning on Microsoft Defender Credential Guard.

Rank	Recommended action	Score impact	Points achieved	Status
2	Block process creations originating from PSEXEC and WMI commands	+0.82%	0/9	To address
	Block credential stealing from the Windows local security authority subsystem	+0.82%	0/9	To address
4	Use advanced protection against ransomware	+0.82%	0/9	To address
5	Block Win32 API calls from Office macros	+0.82%	0/9	To address
6	Block execution of potentially obfuscated scripts	+0.82%	0/9	To address
7	Block Office applications from injecting code into other processes	+0.82%	0/9	To address
8	Block executable content from email client and webmail	+0.82%	0/9	To address
9	Block persistence through WMI event subscription	+0.82%	0/9	To address
11	Block Office communication application from creating child processes	+0.82%	0/9	To address
12	Block untrusted and unsigned processes that run from USB	+0.82%	0/9	To address
13	Block executable files from running unless they meet a prevalence, age, or trust score	+0.82%	0/9	To address
14	Block JavaScript or VBScript from launching downloaded executable content	+0.82%	0/9	To address
15	Block Office applications from creating executable content	+0.82%	0/9	To address
16	Block all Office applications from creating child processes	+0.82%	0/9	To address
27	Disable 'Autoplay' for all drives	+0.73%	0/8	To address
32	Turn on Microsoft Defender Credential Guard	+0.73%	0/8	To address
45	Enable 'Network Protection'	+0.73%	1/8	To address

Use Threat Analytics

- Business email compromise

Threats: **Recent trends in business email compromise financial fraud**

Overview Analyst report Related incidents Impacted assets Prevented email attempts Endpoints exposure **Recommended actions**

Perform these actions to address this threat and improve your overall posture. For a broader assessment and more recommended actions, [view your secure score](#).

[Export](#)

	Rank	Recommended action	Score impact	Points achieved	Status	Regressed	Have license?	Category	Product
<input type="checkbox"/>	17	Create Safe Links policies for email messages	+0.82%	0/9	<input type="radio"/> To address	No	Yes	Apps	Defender for Office
<input type="checkbox"/>	20	Ensure all users can complete multifactor authentication	+0.82%	0.2/9	<input type="radio"/> To address	Yes	Yes	Identity	Azure Active Directory
<input type="checkbox"/>	28	Enable policy to block legacy authentication	+0.73%	0/8	<input type="radio"/> To address	No	Yes	Identity	Azure Active Directory
<input type="checkbox"/>	34	Turn on Safe Attachments in block mode	+0.73%	0/8	<input type="radio"/> To address	No	Yes	Apps	Defender for Office
<input type="checkbox"/>	42	Protect all users with a user risk policy	+0.64%	0/7	<input type="radio"/> To address	No	Yes	Identity	Azure Active Directory
<input type="checkbox"/>	43	Protect all users with a sign-in risk policy	+0.64%	0/7	<input type="radio"/> To address	No	Yes	Identity	Azure Active Directory
<input type="checkbox"/>	122	Set Microsoft Defender SmartScreen Microsoft Edge site and download checkin	+0.82%	9/9	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Completed	No	Yes	Device	Defender for Endpoint

<https://security.microsoft.com/threatanalytics3/eedf4df4-df1e-410f-a063-071ab75d2c68/recommendedActions>

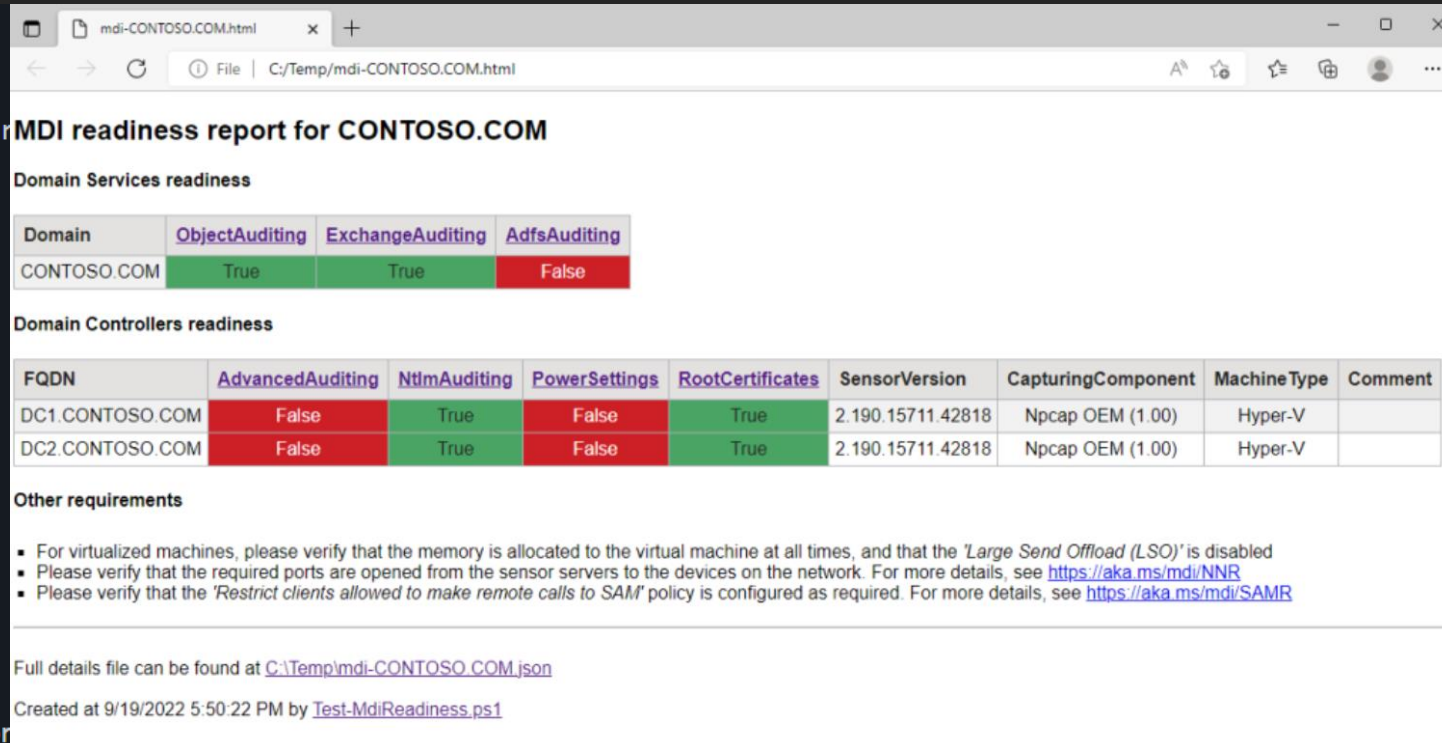
MDI

Microsoft Defender for Identity

MDI Readiness

```
PS C:\>.\Test-MdiReadiness.ps1 -Verbose
```

```
VERBOSE: Performing the operation "Create MDI related configuration" on object "CONTOSO.COM".
VERBOSE: Searching for Domain Controllers in CONTOSO.COM
VERBOSE: Found 2 Domain Controller(s)
VERBOSE: Testing power settings for DC1.CONTOSO.COM
VERBOSE: Testing advanced auditing for DC1.CONTOSO.COM
VERBOSE: Testing NTLM auditing for DC1.CONTOSO.COM
VERBOSE: Testing certificates readiness for DC1.CONTOSO.COM
VERBOSE: Testing power settings for DC2.CONTOSO.COM
VERBOSE: Testing advanced auditing for DC2.CONTOSO.COM
VERBOSE: Testing NTLM auditing for DC2.CONTOSO.COM
VERBOSE: Testing certificates readiness for DC2.CONTOSO.COM
VERBOSE: Getting MDI related ADFS auditing configuration
VERBOSE: Getting MDI related DS Object auditing configuration
VERBOSE: Getting MDI related Exchange auditing configuration
VERBOSE: Creating detailed json report: .\mdi-CONTOSO.COM.json
```



mdi-CONTOSO.COM.html x +
File | C:/Temp/mdi-CONTOSO.COM.html

MDI readiness report for CONTOSO.COM

Domain Services readiness

Domain	ObjectAuditing	ExchangeAuditing	AdfsAuditing
CONTOSO.COM	True	True	False

Domain Controllers readiness

FQDN	AdvancedAuditing	NtlmAuditing	PowerSettings	RootCertificates	SensorVersion	CapturingComponent	MachineType	Comment
DC1.CONTOSO.COM	False	True	False	True	2.190.15711.42818	Npcap OEM (1.00)	Hyper-V	
DC2.CONTOSO.COM	False	True	False	True	2.190.15711.42818	Npcap OEM (1.00)	Hyper-V	

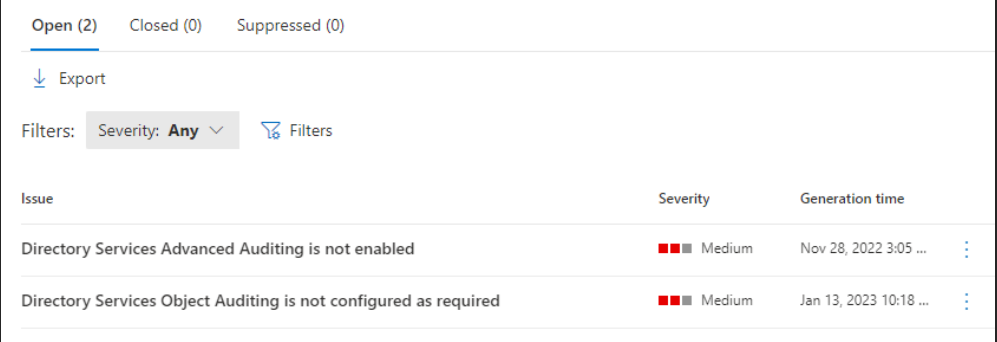
Other requirements

- For virtualized machines, please verify that the memory is allocated to the virtual machine at all times, and that the 'Large Send Offload (LSO)' is disabled
- Please verify that the required ports are opened from the sensor servers to the devices on the network. For more details, see <https://aka.ms/mdi/NNR>
- Please verify that the 'Restrict clients allowed to make remote calls to SAM' policy is configured as required. For more details, see <https://aka.ms/mdi/SAMR>

Full details file can be found at <C:\Temp\mdi-CONTOSO.COM.json>
Created at 9/19/2022 5:50:22 PM by [Test-MdiReadiness.ps1](#)

MDI – Health alerts

- NTLM Auditing is not enabled
- Directory Services Advanced Auditing is not enabled as required
- Directory Services Object Auditing is not enabled as required
- Power mode is not configured for optimal processor performance

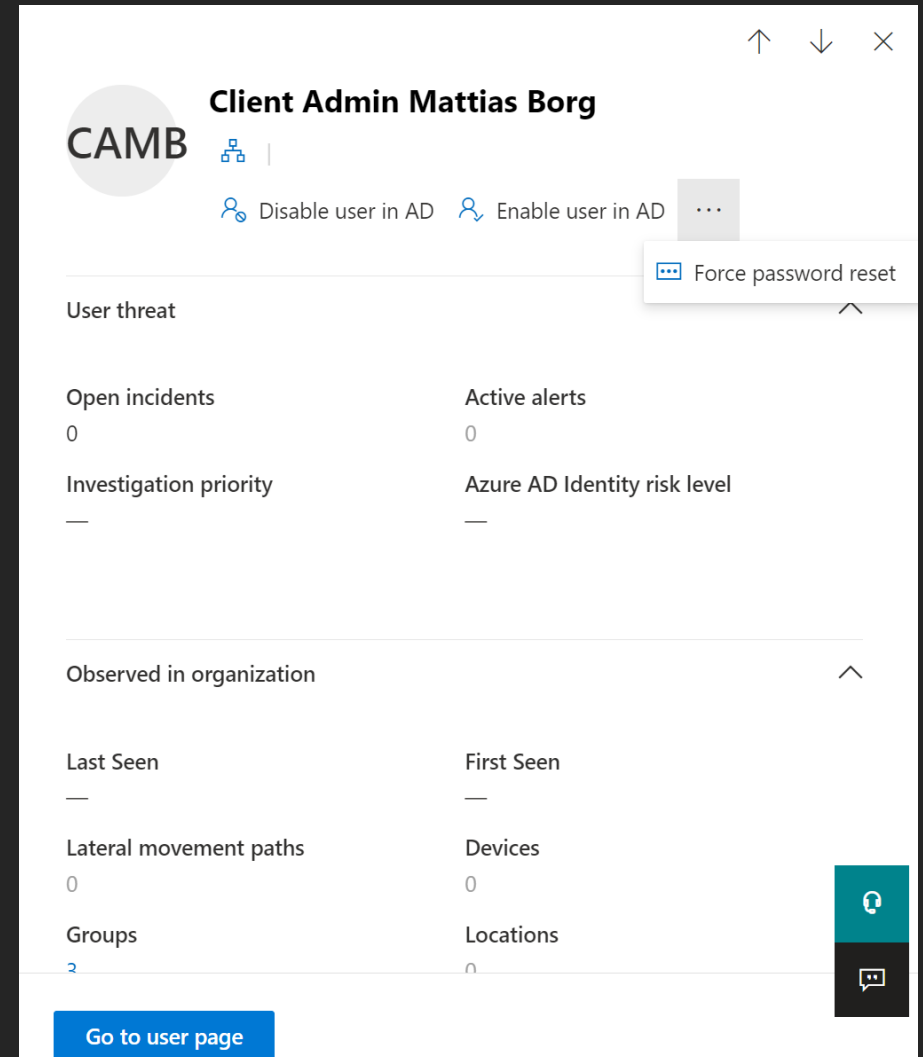


The screenshot shows the 'Open (2)' tab of the Health Alerts interface. It includes an 'Export' button, a filter dropdown set to 'Severity: Any', and a 'Filters' icon. Below is a table with two alerts, both of Medium severity.

Issue	Severity	Generation time
Directory Services Advanced Auditing is not enabled	Medium	Nov 28, 2022 3:05 ...
Directory Services Object Auditing is not configured as required	Medium	Jan 13, 2023 10:18 ...

MDI Actions

- Disable user in AD
 - Enable user in AD
 - Force Password reset
-
- Requires gMSA account for custom delegation of permissions



The screenshot shows the MDI user interface for a user named 'Client Admin Mattias Borg'. The user's profile is displayed at the top, including a circular icon with the initials 'CAMB'. Below the profile, there are two buttons: 'Disable user in AD' and 'Enable user in AD'. A third button, 'Force password reset', is visible in a dropdown menu. The interface also displays various metrics and sections:

- User threat**: A section with a chevron icon.
- Open incidents**: 0
- Active alerts**: 0
- Investigation priority**: —
- Azure AD Identity risk level**: —
- Observed in organization**: A section with a chevron icon.
- Last Seen**: —
- First Seen**: —
- Lateral movement paths**: 0
- Devices**: 0
- Groups**: 2
- Locations**: 0

At the bottom, there is a blue button labeled 'Go to user page'.

MDI Action Account

Defender for Identity release 2.193

Released October 30, 2022

By default, the Microsoft Defender for Identity sensor installed on a domain controller will impersonate the LocalSystem account of the domain controller and perform the actions. However, you can change this default behavior by setting up a gMSA account and scope the permissions as you need.

Microsoft Defender for Identity

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Entity tags

This list contains credentials that sensors can use to perform actions on on-premises Active Directory users, such as disable. Configure an action account so remediation actions can be taken manually or automatically. [Learn more](#)

☐ Automatically use the sensor's local system account ☒ Manually configure your management accounts

Filter

Domain: **Any** ▾

Group managed service account: **Any** ▾

↓ Export + Add credentials

1 item  Custom

Account	Domain	Group managed service account ⓘ
<input type="checkbox"/> gMSA-mdi-action	RANGE.LOCAL	True

MDI Action Account Troubleshooting

- Wrong Account Type
- Not allowed to logon as service
- Permissions

Events with the configured MDI account (Requires central logging)

SecurityEvent
| where Account has "gMSA-MDIAction\$"

Portal action events by the configured MDI account (Requires central logging)

SecurityEvent
| where EventID in(4738,4725,4722)
| where Account has "gMSA-mdi-action\$" //mdi account account name
| where TargetAccount contains "test" //the user you want to take action on

TimeGenerated [UTC]	2022-12-09T17:24:33.2865665Z
Account	sec-labs.com\gMSA-mdi-action\$
AccountType	Machine
Activity	4625 - An account failed to log on.
LogonType	5
LogonTypeName	5 - Service
Status	0xc000015b

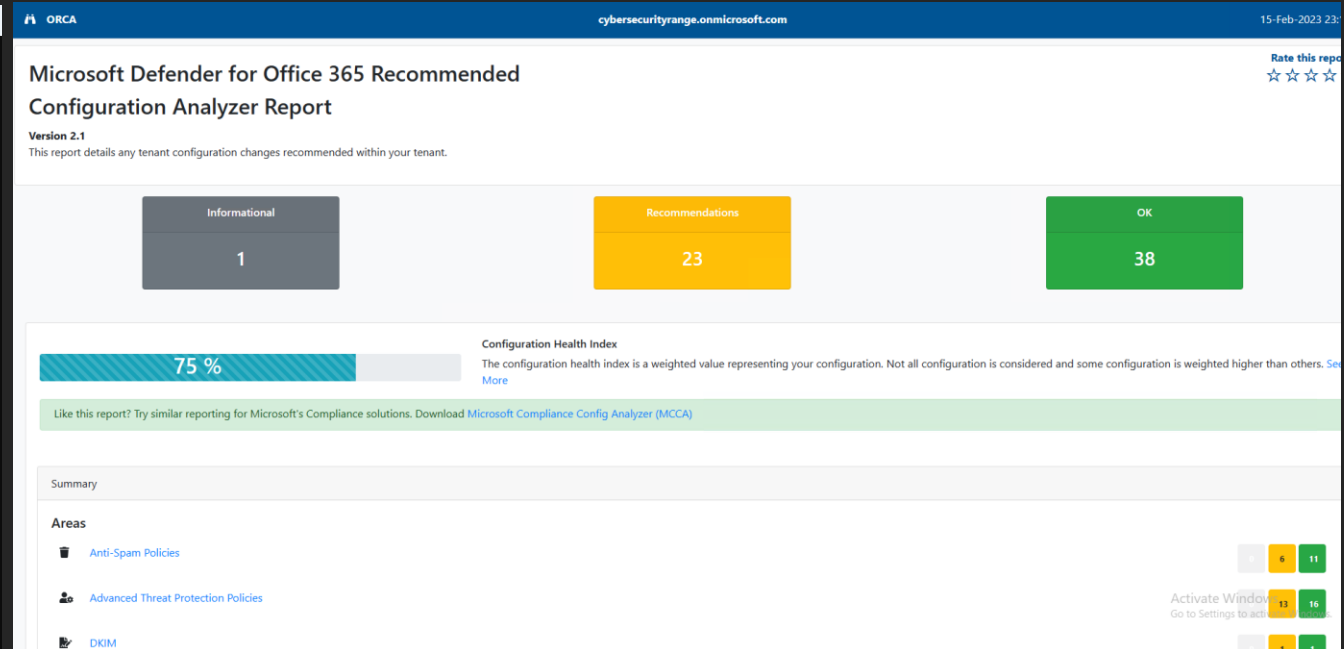
MDO

Microsoft Defender for Office

Old School - ORCA

- Install-Module -Name ORCA
- Get-ORCAReport

```
Administrator: Windows PowerShell
PS C:\> import-module orca
PS C:\> Get-ORCAReport
02/15/2023 23:15:06 Performing ORCA Version check...
02/15/2023 23:15:12 Getting Anti-Spam Settings
02/15/2023 23:15:12 Getting Tenant Settings
02/15/2023 23:15:12 Getting ATP Preset Policy Settings
02/15/2023 23:15:12 Getting EOP Preset Policy Settings
02/15/2023 23:15:12 Getting Quarantine Policy Settings
02/15/2023 23:15:13 Getting Anti Phish Settings
02/15/2023 23:15:13 Getting Anti-Malware Settings
02/15/2023 23:15:13 Getting Transport Rules
02/15/2023 23:15:13 Getting ATP Policies
02/15/2023 23:15:14 Getting Accepted Domains
02/15/2023 23:15:14 Getting DKIM Configuration
02/15/2023 23:15:14 Getting Connectors
02/15/2023 23:15:14 Getting MX Reports for all domains
02/15/2023 23:15:14 Analysis - Advanced Threat Protection Policies - Mailbox Intelligence Enabled
02/15/2023 23:15:14 Analysis - Advanced Threat Protection Policies - Advanced Phishing Threshold Level
02/15/2023 23:15:14 Analysis - Advanced Threat Protection Policies - Safe Links Whitelisting
02/15/2023 23:15:14 Analysis - Advanced Threat Protection Policies - Action for unknown potentially malicious URLs in messages
02/15/2023 23:15:14 Analysis - Advanced Threat Protection Policies - Domain Impersonation Action
02/15/2023 23:15:14 Analysis - Advanced Threat Protection Policies - Mailbox Intelligence Protection
02/15/2023 23:15:15 Analysis - Advanced Threat Protection Policies - Mailbox Intelligence Protection Action
02/15/2023 23:15:15 Analysis - Advanced Threat Protection Policies - Safe Attachments Whitelisting
02/15/2023 23:15:15 Analysis - Advanced Threat Protection Policies - Safe Attachments SharePoint and Teams
02/15/2023 23:15:15 Analysis - Advanced Threat Protection Policies - Safe Links Tracking
02/15/2023 23:15:15 Analysis - Advanced Threat Protection Policies - Unusual Characters Safety Tips
02/15/2023 23:15:15 Analysis - Advanced Threat Protection Policies - Safe Links Office Enablement
02/15/2023 23:15:15 Analysis - Advanced Threat Protection Policies - Similar Domains Safety Tips
02/15/2023 23:15:15 Analysis - Advanced Threat Protection Policies - Anti-spoofing protection
02/15/2023 23:15:15 Analysis - Advanced Threat Protection Policies - Intra-organization Safe Links
02/15/2023 23:15:15 Analysis - Advanced Threat Protection Policies - Safe Links Synchronous URL detonation
02/15/2023 23:15:15 Analysis - Advanced Threat Protection Policies - Anti-phishing trusted senders
02/15/2023 23:15:15 Analysis - Advanced Threat Protection Policies - Safe Attachments Policy Rules
02/15/2023 23:15:15 Analysis - Advanced Threat Protection Policies - Anti-phishing trusted domains
02/15/2023 23:15:15 Analysis - Advanced Threat Protection Policies - Safe attachments unknown malware response
02/15/2023 23:15:15 Analysis - Advanced Threat Protection Policies - Do not let users click through Safe Documents for Office clients
02/15/2023 23:15:15 Analysis - Advanced Threat Protection Policies - Anti-phishing Rules
```



<https://www.powershellgallery.com/packages/ORCA>

New School - Configuration Analyzer



Configuration analyzer

The configuration analyzer can help identify issues in your current configuration, and help improve your policies for better security. [Learn more.](#)

Standard recommendations

Strict recommendations

Configuration drift analysis and history

Anti-spam **5** | Anti-phishing **32** | Anti-malware **1**

Refresh

38 items

Search

Filter

Recommendations	Policy	Policy group/setting name	Policy type	Current configuration	Last modified	Status
<input type="checkbox"/> Quarantine message	Default	High confidence spam detection action	Anti-spam	Move to Junk Email folder	Sep 9, 2020 11:10 PM	Not started
<input type="checkbox"/> Quarantine message	Default	Phishing email detection action	Anti-spam	Move to Junk Email folder	Sep 9, 2020 11:10 PM	Not started
<input type="checkbox"/> Change 7 to 6	Default	Bulk email threshold	Anti-spam	7	Sep 9, 2020 11:10 PM	Not started
<input type="checkbox"/> Change 15 to 30	Default	Quarantine retention period	Anti-spam	15	Sep 9, 2020 11:10 PM	Not started
<input type="checkbox"/> Change False to True	Default	Enable end-user spam notifications	Anti-spam	False	Sep 9, 2020 11:10 PM	Not started
<input type="checkbox"/> Change False to True	Company ATP Phishing Policy (all users)	Add users to protect	Anti-phishing	False	Nov 6, 2020 12:22 PM	Not started
<input type="checkbox"/> Change False to True	Company ATP Phishing Policy (all users)	Automatically include the domains I own	Anti-phishing	False	Nov 6, 2020 12:22 PM	Not started
<input type="checkbox"/> Change False to True	Company ATP Phishing Policy (all users)	Include custom domains	Anti-phishing	False	Nov 6, 2020 12:22 PM	Not started
<input type="checkbox"/> Quarantine message	Company ATP Phishing Policy (all users)	If email is sent by an impersonated user	Anti-phishing	No action	Nov 6, 2020 12:22 PM	Not started
<input type="checkbox"/> Quarantine message	Company ATP Phishing Policy (all users)	If email is sent by an impersonated domain	Anti-phishing	No action	Nov 6, 2020 12:22 PM	Not started
<input type="checkbox"/> Change False to True	Company ATP Phishing Policy (all users)	Enable Intelligence for impersonation protection (Recommended)	Anti-phishing	False	Nov 6, 2020 12:22 PM	Not started
<input type="checkbox"/> Change False to True	Company ATP Phishing Policy (all users)	Show tip for impersonated users	Anti-phishing	False	Nov 6, 2020 12:22 PM	Not started
<input type="checkbox"/> Change False to True	Company ATP Phishing Policy (all users)	Show tip for impersonated domains	Anti-phishing	False	Nov 6, 2020 12:22 PM	Not started

MDO go do

- Configuration Analyzer
- EOP Hardening
 - Allowed filetypes
- Move e-mail actions to Quarantine
- Reduce Allow lists in favor for stricter Exchange Transport Rules
 - Sender + DMARC set SCL -1
- Look for policies overriding threat

Advanced Hunting – Emails with threat detection and overriding policy

EmailEvents

```
| where isnotempty(ThreatTypes ) and  
      OrgLevelAction == "Allow"  
| summarize count() by OrgLevelPolicy
```

Bypass SPAM from SEC-LABS

Conditions Settings

Name *

Bypass SPAM from SEC-LABS

Apply this rule if *

The sender is this person +

The sender is 'stefan@sec-labs.com' ✎

And

The message headers... includes any of these words ✎

'Authentication-Results' message header includes 'dmarc=bestguesspass' or 'dmarc=pass' ✎

Do the following *

Modify the message prop... set the spam confidence l... +

Set the spam confidence level (SCL) to '-1' ✎

And

Modify the message prop... set a message header ✎

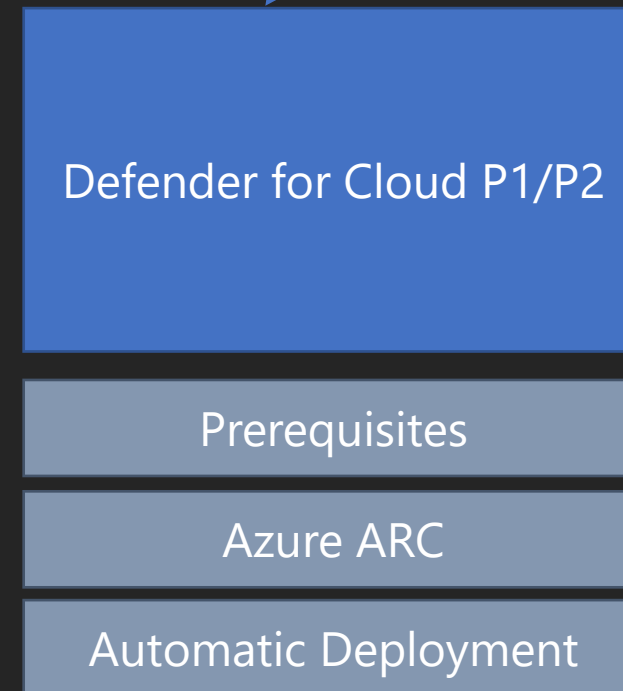
Set the message header 'X-ETR' to the value 'Bypass spam filtering for authenticated sender' ✎

MDE for Servers

Microsoft Defender for Endpoints for Servers

Red or Blue Pill – Not any more

Requires licensing through Azure via MDC



Non-Azure Servers

MDE unified agent

- April 2021 New Server Agent GA (2012 R2 / 2016)
- MMA Agent EOL August 2024
- Feature parity with clients

Server version	AV	EDR
Windows Server 2012 R2 SP1	✓	✓
Windows Server 2016	Built-in	✓
Windows Server 2019 or later	Built-in	Built-in

Supported capabilities for Windows devices

Operating System	Windows 10 & 11	Windows Server 2012 R2 [1]	Windows Server 2016 [1]	Windows Server 2019 & 2022	Windows Server 2003+
Prevention					
Attack Surface Reduction rules	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Device Control	Y	N	N	N	N
Firewall	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Network Protection	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Next-generation protection	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Tamper Protection	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Web Protection	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Detection					
Advanced Hunting	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Custom file indicators	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Custom network indicators	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
EDR Block & Passive Mode	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Sense detection sensor	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Endpoint & network device discovery	Y	N	N	N	N
Response					
Automated Investigation & Response (AIR)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Device response capabilities: isolation, collect investigation package, run AV scan	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
File response capabilities: collect file, deep analysis, block file, stop, and quarantine processes	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Live Response	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

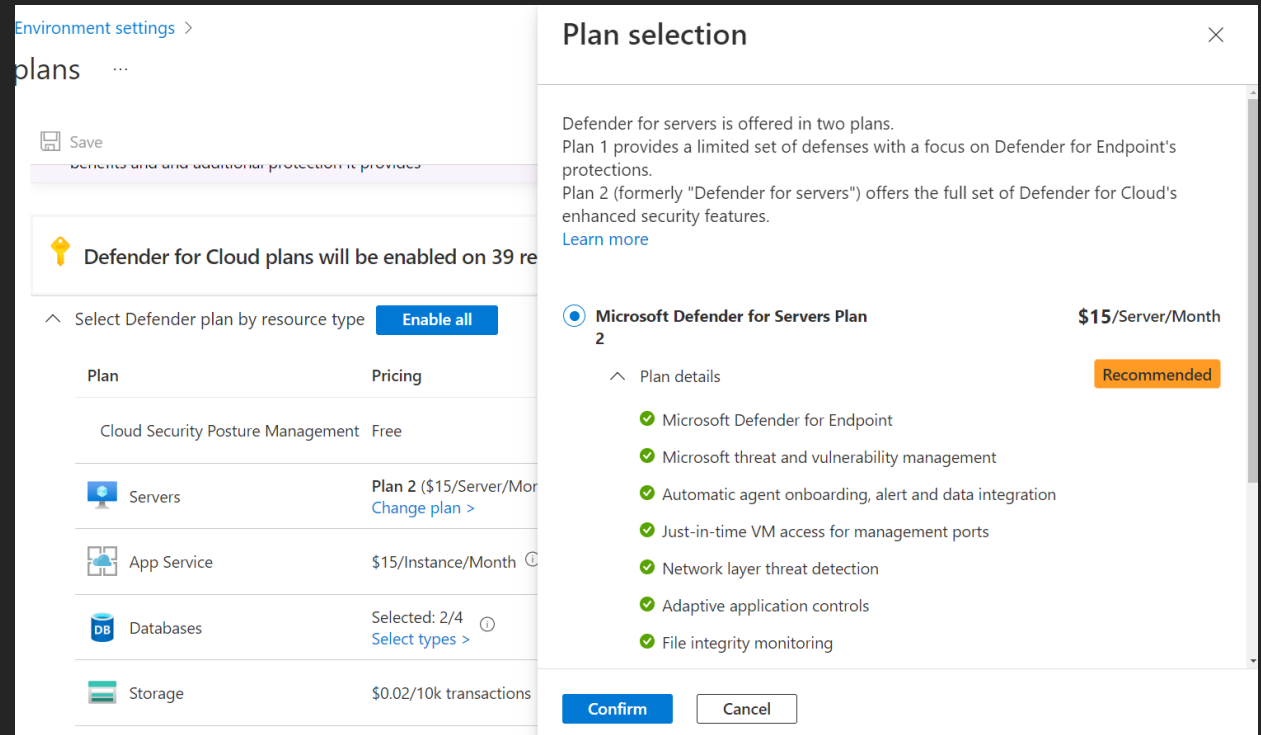
(1) Refers to the modern, unified solution for Windows Server 2012 and 2016. For more information, see [Onboard Windows Servers to the Defender for Endpoint service](#).

Note

Windows 7, 8.1, Windows Server 2008 R2 include support for the EDR sensor, and AV using System Center Endpoint Protection (SCEP).

Deploy with Defender for Cloud

- Enable unified solution



The screenshot shows the 'Plan selection' dialog in the Microsoft Defender for Cloud console. The background shows the 'Environment settings' page with a table of resource types and their associated Defender plans.

Plan	Pricing
Cloud Security Posture Management	Free
Servers	Plan 2 (\$15/Server/Month) Change plan >
App Service	\$15/Instance/Month
Databases	Selected: 2/4 Select types >
Storage	\$0.02/10k transactions

The 'Plan selection' dialog is open, showing the 'Microsoft Defender for Servers Plan 2' selected. It lists the following features:

- Microsoft Defender for Endpoint
- Microsoft threat and vulnerability management
- Automatic agent onboarding, alert and data integration
- Just-in-time VM access for management ports
- Network layer threat detection
- Adaptive application controls
- File integrity monitoring

The price is \$15/Server/Month, and it is marked as 'Recommended'. There are 'Confirm' and 'Cancel' buttons at the bottom.

☒ Allow Microsoft Defender for Endpoint to access my data. [Learn more >](#)

[Enable for Linux machines](#)

Defender for Cloud supports Microsoft Defender for Endpoint on Linux machines. [Learn more >](#)

[Enable unified solution](#)

Defender for Cloud supports Microsoft Defender for Endpoint unified solution for Windows servers 2012R2 and Windows servers 2016. [Learn more >](#)

<https://learn.microsoft.com/en-us/azure/defender-for-cloud/plan-defender-for-servers-select-plan>

NOTE ! Network Protection

- To enable **Network Protection**, more configurations are required:

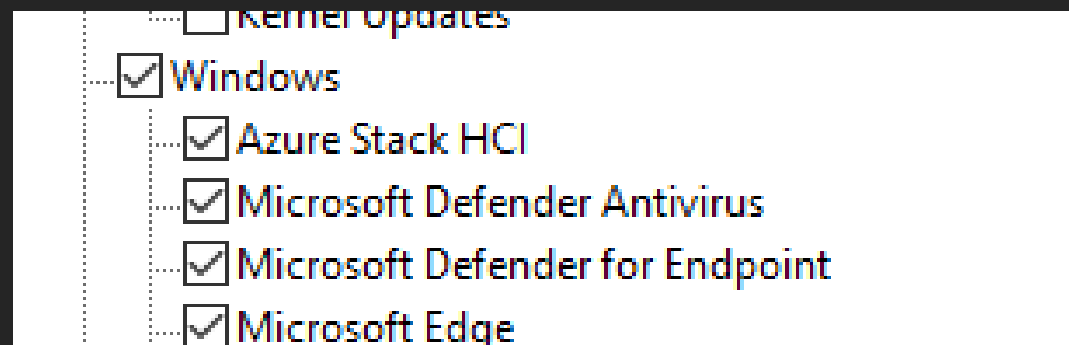
- `Set-MpPreference -EnableNetworkProtection Enabled`
- `Set-MpPreference -AllowNetworkProtectionOnWinServer 1`
- `Set-MpPreference -AllowNetworkProtectionDownLevel 1`
- `Set-MpPreference -AllowDatagramProcessingOnWinServer 1`

In addition, on machines with a high volume of network traffic, performance testing in your environment is highly recommended before enabling this capability broadly. You may need to account for extra resource consumption.

<https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/microsoft-365/security/defender-endpoint/configure-server-endpoints?view=o365-worldwide>

New sensor update

- Important, Maintain the new sensor through update KB5005292
 - WSUS/MEMCM
 - Classification: Definition Updates
 - Product : Defender for Endpoint
 - Manual
 - <https://www.catalog.update.microsoft.com/Search.aspx?q=KB5005292>



Common Pitfalls and Lessons learned

- FW audit log turned off
- Don't forget to configure and harden AV, not just focus on deploying EDR
- New path, and custom detection exclusions
- No AV GUI on 2012 R2, only basic operations in 2016 GUI
- A few ASR Rules not supported on Server OS:
 - [Attack surface reduction rules reference | Microsoft Docs](#)
- Network events not populate if not patched
 - [October 12, 2021 monthly rollup \(KB5006714\)](#)
- No Automatic exclusions 2012 R2
- Review Dynamic AAD Group Rules before enrolling
- Operating system upgrades aren't supported. Offboard then uninstall before upgrading.

MDE

Microsoft Defender for Endpoint

Harden Defender Configuration

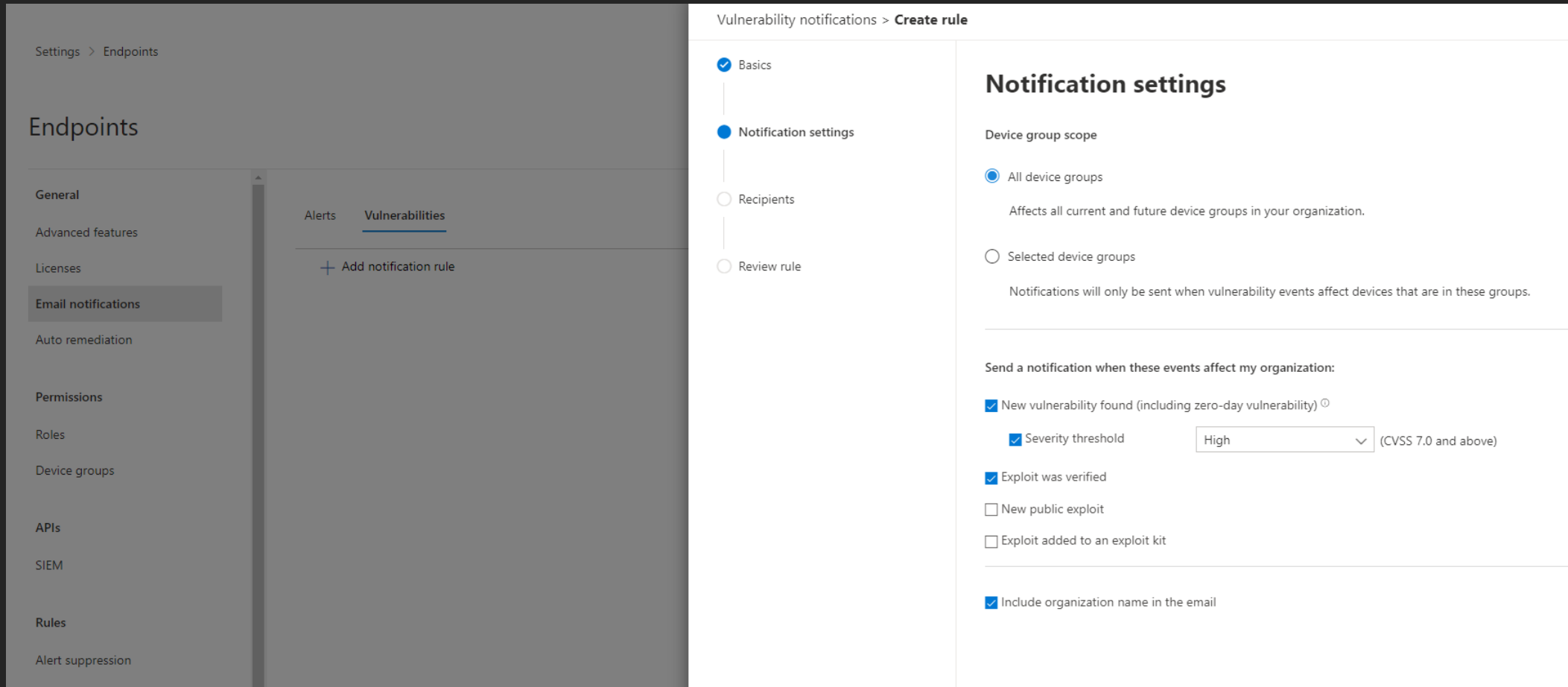
- Cloud Protection
 - MAPSReporting = 2
 - CloudBlockLevel = 2
 - CloudExtendedTimeout = 50
 - Network Protection
 - EnableNetworkProtection = 1
 - SubmitSamplesConsent = 3 (Always) | 1 (Safe Samples) Requirement for Cloud Protection
 - Tamper Protection
 - Firewall Auditing
 - auditpol /set /subcategory:"Filtering Platform Packet Drop" /failure:enable
 - auditpol /set /subcategory:"Filtering Platform Connection" /failure:enable
 - AttackSurfaceReduction
 - DefaultActions
 - Quarantine
 - EDR BlockMode
 - Exclusions
 - DisableLocalAdminMerge
 - General Auditing
 - <https://learn.microsoft.com/en-us/microsoft-365/security/defender/advanced-hunting-extend-data?view=o365-worldwide>
- Requirement for Firewall Report and Hunting events

TVM

Threat and Vulnerability Management

Configure email notifications for vulnerabilities

- Keep up to date - Don't miss a severe vulnerability



The screenshot displays the Nordix user interface for configuring vulnerability notifications. On the left, a sidebar menu under 'Endpoints' includes options like General, Advanced features, Licenses, Email notifications (highlighted), Auto remediation, Permissions, Roles, Device groups, APIs, SIEM, Rules, and Alert suppression. The main panel shows the 'Vulnerabilities' tab with an 'Add notification rule' button. A modal window titled 'Vulnerability notifications > Create rule' is open, showing a step-by-step configuration process. The 'Notification settings' step is active, showing options for 'Device group scope' (All device groups selected), 'Send a notification when these events affect my organization' (with checkboxes for severity threshold, exploit verification, and public exploit), and 'Include organization name in the email'.

Settings > Endpoints

Endpoints

- General
- Advanced features
- Licenses
- Email notifications
- Auto remediation
- Permissions
- Roles
- Device groups
- APIs
- SIEM
- Rules
- Alert suppression

Alerts **Vulnerabilities**

+ Add notification rule

Vulnerability notifications > Create rule

- ✓ Basics
- Notification settings
- Recipients
- Review rule

Notification settings

Device group scope

☒ All device groups
Affects all current and future device groups in your organization.

☐ Selected device groups
Notifications will only be sent when vulnerability events affect devices that are in these groups.

Send a notification when these events affect my organization:

☒ New vulnerability found (including zero-day vulnerability) ⓘ

☒ Severity threshold (CVSS 7.0 and above)

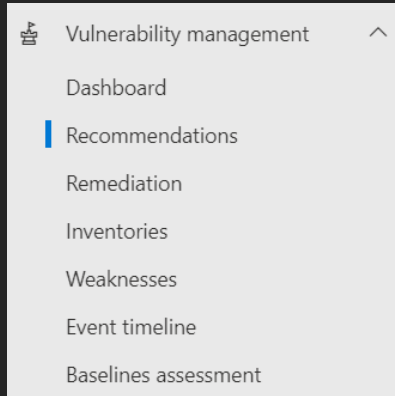
☒ Exploit was verified





☐ New public exploit

☐ Exploit added to an exploit kit

☒ Include organization name in the email

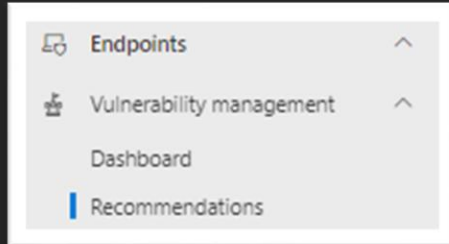
Service Executables – Instant Admin privilege



























Security recommendation	OS platfo...	Weaknesses	Related component	Threats	Exposed devices	Remediation type	Remediation activities	Impact ⓘ	Tags
<input type="checkbox"/> Fix unquoted service path for Windows services	Windows	1	Operating system (Services)	 	263 / 330	<div></div>	Configuration cha...	0	▼ 0.76 + 6.38
<input type="checkbox"/> Change service executable path to a common protected location	Windows	1	Operating system (Services)	 	49 / 330	<div></div>	Configuration cha...	0	▼ 0.14 + 1.19

scid-3001
scid-3002




































SMB and Shares






































Security recommendation	OS platform	Weaknesses	Related component	Threats	Exposed devices	Remediation type	Remediation activities	Impact	Tags
<input type="checkbox"/> Enable 'Microsoft network client: Digitally sign communications (always)'	Windows	1	Network	 	 	Configuration change	0	▼ 0.15 + 0.51	COVID-19
<input type="checkbox"/> Disable SMBv1 client driver	Windows	1	Network	 	 	Configuration change	0	▼ 0.04 + 0.13	
<input type="checkbox"/> Set folder access-based enumeration for shares	Windows	1	Operating system (Shares)	 	 	Configuration change	0	▼ 0.02 + 7.32	
<input type="checkbox"/> Disable 'Insecure guest logons' in SMB	Windows	1	Operating system	 	 	Configuration change	0	▼ <0.01 + 0.01	COVID-19
<input type="checkbox"/> Disable SMBv1 server	Windows	1	Network	 	 	Configuration change	0	▼ <0.01 + 0.00	
<input type="checkbox"/> Disable sending unencrypted password to third-party SMB servers	Windows	1	Network	 	 	Configuration change	0	▼ 0.00 + 0.00	COVID-19

Hardware and Firmware





















CPU

Name	Processor family	OS platform	Vendor	Weaknesses	Threats	Impact  
<input type="checkbox"/> Intel(R) Core(TM) i5-8365U CPU @ 1.60GHz	8th Generation Intel(R) Core i5 Processors	Windows	Intel	78	 	 2.75
<input type="checkbox"/> Intel(R) Core(TM) i5-10310U CPU @ 1.70GHz	10th Generation Intel(R) Core i5 Processors	Windows	Intel	82	 	 1.62
<input type="checkbox"/> Intel(R) Core(TM) i5-10500T CPU @ 2.30GHz	10th Generation Intel(R) Core i5 Processors	Windows	Intel	79	 	 1.45
<input type="checkbox"/> Intel(R) Core(TM) i5-8350U CPU @ 1.70GHz	8th Generation Intel(R) Core i5 Processors	Windows	Intel	76	 	 1.43
<input type="checkbox"/> Intel(R) Core(TM) i5-9500 CPU @ 3.00GHz	9th Generation Intel(R) Core i5 Processors	Windows	Intel	11	 	 1.38
<input type="checkbox"/> Intel(R) Core(TM) i5-7300U CPU @ 2.60GHz	7th Generation Intel(R) Core i5 Processors	Windows	Intel	75	 	 1.05
<input type="checkbox"/> Intel(R) Core(TM) i7-9850H CPU @ 2.60GHz	9th Generation Intel(R) Core i7 Processors	Windows	Intel	72	 	 0.95
<input type="checkbox"/> Intel(R) Core(TM) i7-10850H CPU @ 2.70GHz	10th Generation Intel(R) Core i7 Processors	Windows	Intel	43	 	 0.46
<input type="checkbox"/> Intel(R) Core(TM) i5-8500T CPU @ 2.10GHz	8th Generation Intel(R) Core i5 Processors	Windows	Intel	73	 	 0.46
<input type="checkbox"/> Intel(R) Core(TM) i5-9500T CPU @ 2.20GHz	9th Generation Intel(R) Core i5 Processors	Windows	Intel	71	 	 0.42
<input type="checkbox"/> Intel(R) Core(TM) i5-7500T CPU @ 2.70GHz	7th Generation Intel(R) Core i5 Processors	Windows	Intel	3	 	 0.42

BIOS

Name	OS platform	Vendor	Weaknesses	Threats	Impact  
<input type="checkbox"/> Latitude 7400 Firmware	Windows	Dell	75	 	 2.61
<input type="checkbox"/> Latitude 7410 Firmware	Windows	Dell	78	 	 1.73
<input type="checkbox"/> Optiplex 5270 Aio Firmware	Windows	Dell	11	 	 1.38
<input type="checkbox"/> Latitude 7490 Firmware	Windows	Dell	74	 	 1.12
<input type="checkbox"/> Optiplex 3280 Aio Firmware	Windows	Dell	19	 	 1.02
<input type="checkbox"/> Latitude 7480 Firmware	Windows	Dell	75	 	 1.02
<input type="checkbox"/> Precision 5540 Firmware	Windows	Dell	72	 	 0.95
<input type="checkbox"/> Precision 5550 Firmware	Windows	Dell	43	 	 0.53
<input type="checkbox"/> Optiplex 3060 Firmware	Windows	Dell	73	 	 0.46
<input type="checkbox"/> Optiplex 3070 Firmware	Windows	Dell	71	 	 0.42
<input type="checkbox"/> Latitude E7470 Firmware	Windows	Dell	72	 	 0.39

MODELS

Name	Model family	OS platform	Vendor	Weaknesses	Threats	Impact  
<input type="checkbox"/> Latitude 7400	Latitude	Windows	Dell	75	 	 2.61
<input type="checkbox"/> Latitude 7410	Latitude	Windows	Dell	78	 	 1.73
<input type="checkbox"/> Optiplex 5270 Aio	OptiPlex	Windows	Dell	11	 	 1.38
<input type="checkbox"/> Latitude 7490	Latitude	Windows	Dell	74	 	 1.12
<input type="checkbox"/> Optiplex 3280 Aio	OptiPlex	Windows	Dell	19	 	 1.02
<input type="checkbox"/> Latitude 7480	Latitude	Windows	Dell	75	 	 1.02

Browser Extensions

Google Chrome
183

Microsoft Edge
62

Mozilla Firefox
19

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Name	Browser	OS platform	Permission risk ⓘ	Requested permissions
<input type="checkbox"/> Adobe Acrobat: PDF edit, convert, sign tools	Google Chrome	Windows	■■■■ Critical	11
<input type="checkbox"/> Cisco Webex Extension	Google Chrome	Windows	■■■ High	3
<input type="checkbox"/> AdBlock â€” best ad blocker	Google Chrome	Windows	■■■■ Critical	13
<input type="checkbox"/> Grammarly: Grammar Checker and Writing App	Google Chrome	Windows	■■■ High	6

Certificates

Name ↑	Issued by	Type	Validation status ⓘ	Scope	Instances / Installed devices
<input type="checkbox"/> "Brother Industries"	VeriSign Class 3 Code Signing 2010 CA	Trusted publisher	⚠ Expired (+ 1 more)	Public	1 / 1
<input type="checkbox"/> "Brother Industries"	VeriSign Class 3 Code Signing 2009-2 CA	Trusted publisher	⚠ Expired (+ 2 more)	Private	1 / 1
<input type="checkbox"/> "Brother Industries"	VeriSign Class 3 Code Signing 2010 CA	Trusted publisher	⚠ Expired (+ 1 more)	Public	1 / 1
<input type="checkbox"/> "Brother Industries"	VeriSign Class 3 Code Signing 2010 CA	Trusted publisher	⚠ Expired (+ 1 more)	Public	1 / 1

Threat Hunting

Defender data-model

Alerts

Alerts		^
▼	AlertInfo	⋮
▼	AlertEvidence	⋮

E-mail

Email & collaboration		^
▼	EmailEvents	⋮
▼	EmailAttachmentInfo	⋮
▼	EmailUrlInfo	⋮
▼	EmailPostDeliveryEvents	⋮
▼	UrlClickEvents	⋮

MDCA / AAD / AD

Apps & identities		^
▼	IdentityInfo	⋮
▼	IdentityLogonEvents	⋮
▼	IdentityQueryEvents	⋮
▼	IdentityDirectoryEvents	⋮
▼	CloudAppEvents	⋮
▼	AADSpnSignInEventsBeta	⋮
▼	AADSignInEventsBeta	⋮

Defender data-model

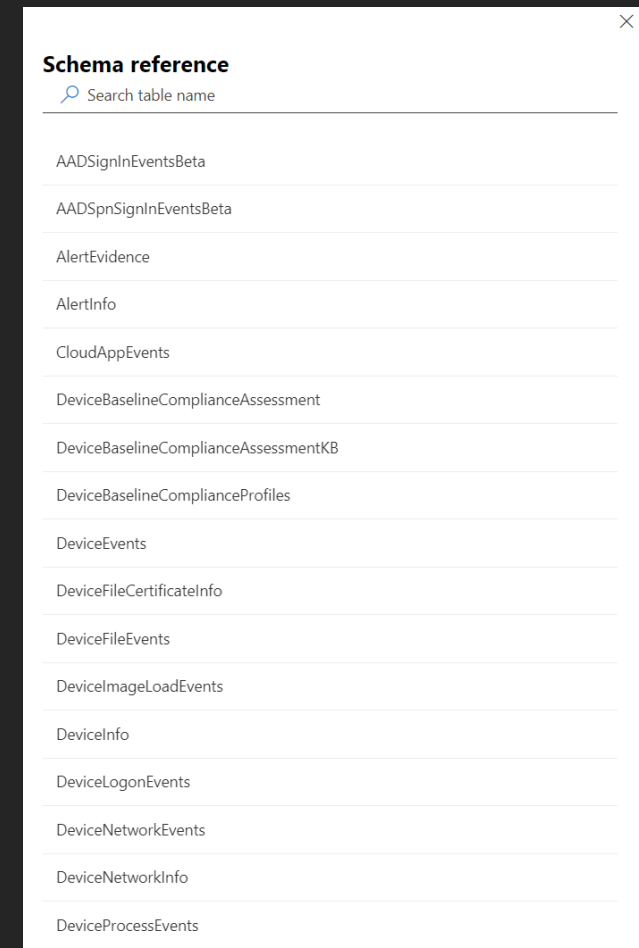
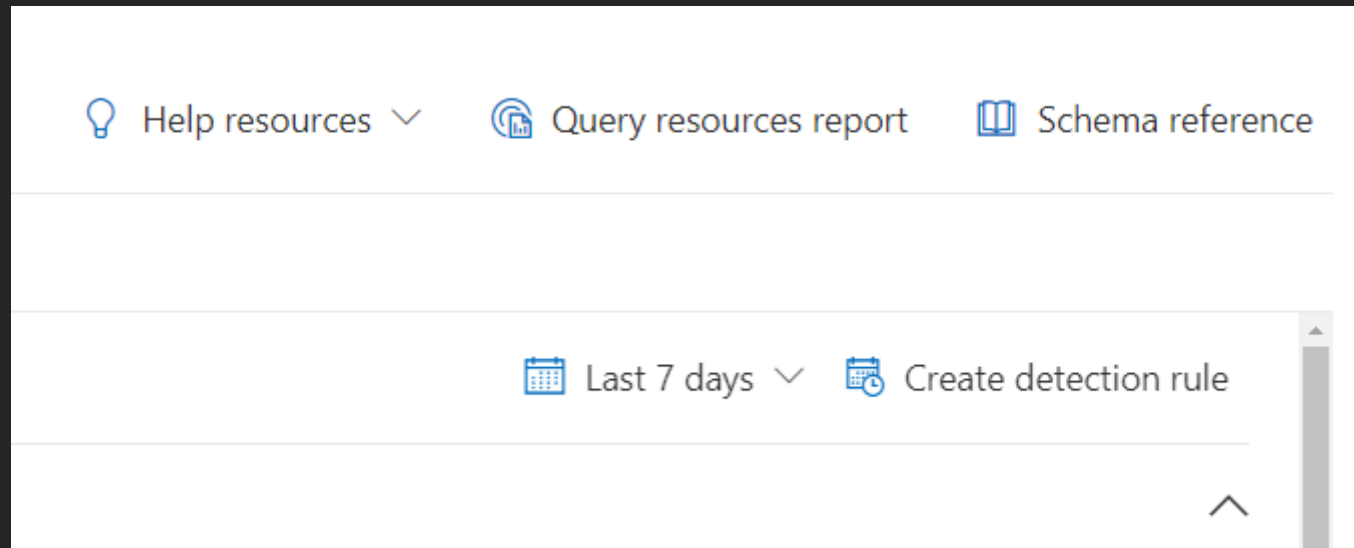
Device

Devices		^
✓	DeviceInfo	⋮
✓	DeviceNetworkInfo	⋮
✓	DeviceProcessEvents	⋮
✓	DeviceNetworkEvents	⋮
✓	DeviceFileEvents	⋮
✓	DeviceRegistryEvents	⋮
✓	DeviceLogonEvents	⋮
✓	DeviceImageLoadEvents	⋮
✓	DeviceEvents	⋮
✓	DeviceFileCertificateInfo	⋮

Vulnerabilities and Configuration

Threat & Vulnerability Management	
✓	DeviceTvmSoftwareVulnerabilities
✓	DeviceTvmSoftwareVulnerabilitiesKB
✓	DeviceTvmSecureConfigurationAssessment
✓	DeviceTvmSecureConfigurationAssessmentKB
✓	DeviceBaselineComplianceAssessment
✓	DeviceBaselineComplianceAssessmentKB
✓	DeviceBaselineComplianceProfiles
✓	DeviceTvmSoftwareInventory
✓	DeviceTvmCertificateInfo
✓	DeviceTvmInfoGathering
✓	DeviceTvmInfoGatheringKB
✓	DeviceTvmSoftwareEvidenceBeta
✓	DeviceTvmBrowserExtensions
✓	DeviceTvmBrowserExtensionsKB
✓	DeviceTvmHardwareFirmware

Defender data-model schema ref



Identifying Logins where user is Local Admin

```
DeviceLogonEvents  
| where Timestamp >= ago(30d)  
| where IsLocalAdmin == 1  
//| where LogonType == "Interactive"  
| summarize count() by DeviceName, AccountName, LogonType  
| sort by AccountName
```

Identifying Logins were user is Tier Admin

DeviceLogonEvents

| where Timestamp >= ago(30d)

| where AccountName startswith "a1-" or AccountName
startswith "a2-"

| where LogonType == "Interactive"

| summarize count() by DeviceName, AccountName, LogonType

| sort by AccountName

AppLocker Events

DeviceEvents

| where ActionType == 'AppControlExecutableAudited'

AppControlExecutableAudited

Application control detected the use of an untrusted executable.

AppControlExecutableBlocked

Application control blocked the use of an untrusted executable.

AppControlPackagedAppAudited

Application control detected the use of an untrusted packaged app.

AppControlPackagedAppBlocked

Application control blocked the installation of an untrusted packaged app.

AppControlPolicyApplied

An application control policy was applied to the device.

AppControlScriptAudited

Application control detected the use of an untrusted script.

AppControlScriptBlocked

Application control blocked the use of an untrusted script.

Firewall Exposure

```
DeviceNetworkEvents  
| where ActionType == "InboundConnectionAccepted"  
| extend IPAddress =  
extract(@"\d{1,3}\.\d{1,3}\.\d{1,3}\.\d{1,3}",0,LocalIP)  
| where IPAddress !startswith "127.0.0"  
| extend IsPrivate = ipv4_is_private(IPAddress)  
| where IsPrivate == 0
```

PowerShell Version 2

DeviceImageLoadEvents

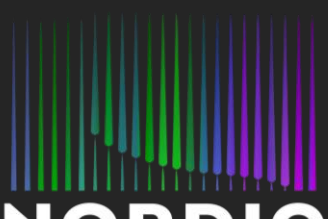
```
| where InitiatingProcessFileName =~  
    "powershell.exe" and  
    FileName in~(  
        "system.management.automation.ni.dll",  
        "System.Management.Automation.dll")  
and FolderPath matches regex  
    @"[12]\.(\d)+\.(\d)+\.(\d)+"
```

Firewall Events

DeviceEvents

| where ActionType startswith "Firewall"

Device Health Report

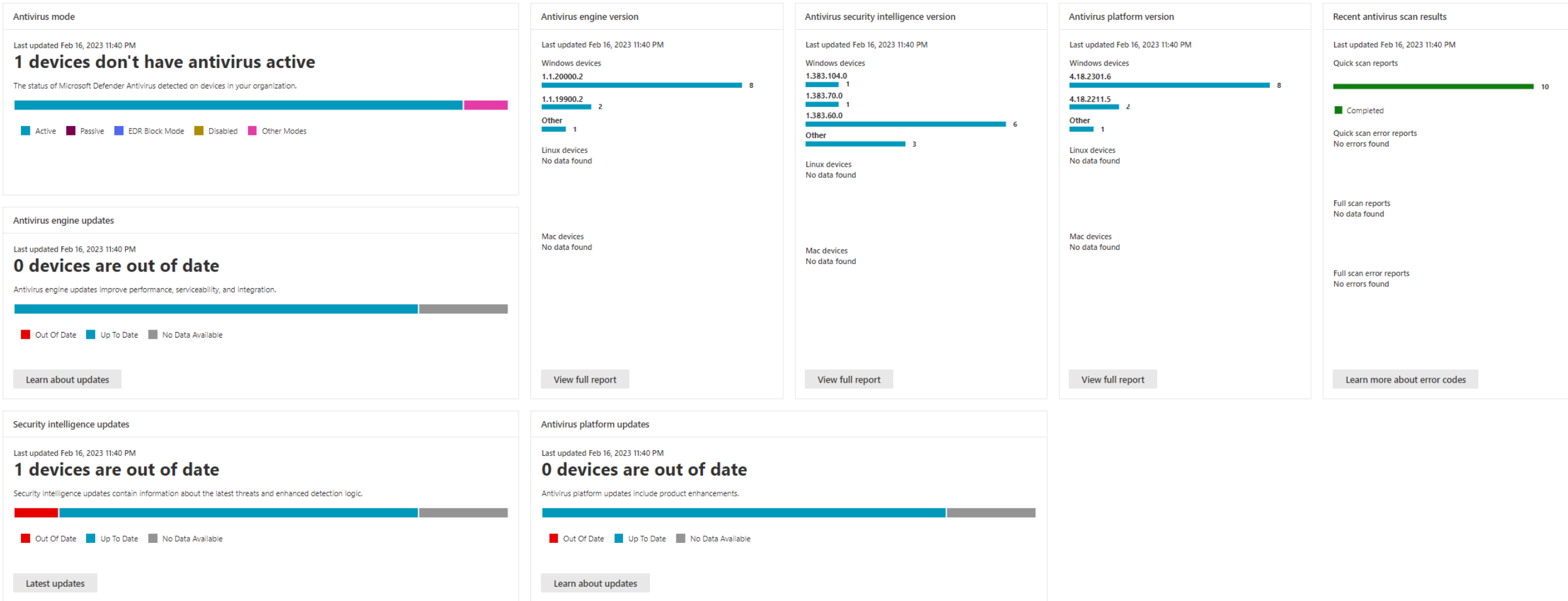


Device Health

Sensor health & OS

Microsoft Defender Antivirus health

↓ Export ⚙ Filter



<https://security.microsoft.com/devicehealth?viewid=devicehealthreport>

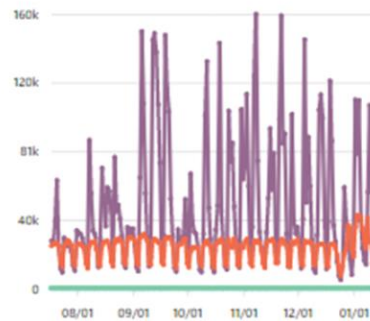
USB Report

Reports > Device control

Device control

Track media usage in your organization and take action to update device control policies.

Data last processed: 2023-01-12, 13:01:46



- USB Drive Mount And Unmount
- Device Control External Device Activity
- Device Control Evidence File
- Plug And Play

[View details](#)

2022-09-18

USB drive mount and unmount (13 754) Device Control external device activity (0) Device Control evidence file (0) Plug and Play (31 264)

USB Mount
10 563

USB Unmount
3 191

USB
22 897

USBDevice
840

SmartCard
5

CDROM
69

WPD
1 907

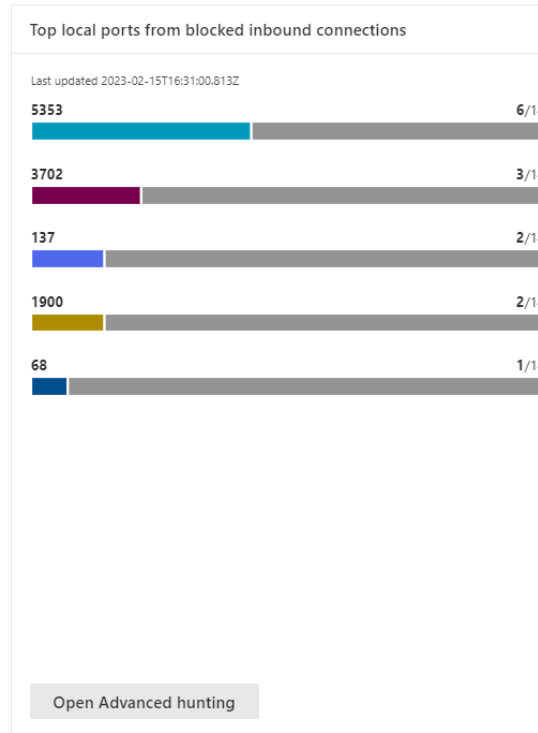
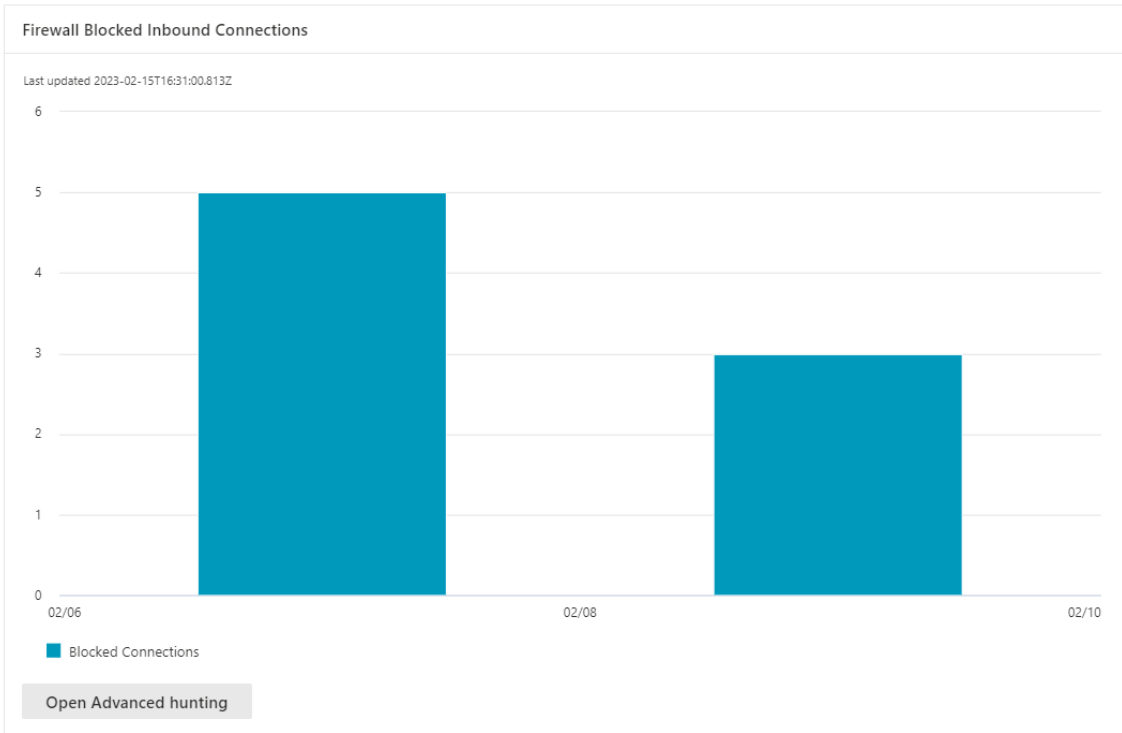
DiskDrive
349

Bluetooth
1 483

Printer
3 714

Firewall Report

Inbound Outbound App



Top processes initiating blocked connections

Last updated 2023-02-15T16:31:00.813Z

Process	Connection attempts
svchost.exe	5
System	2
msedge.exe	2

Remote IPs targeting multiple computers

Last updated 2023-02-15T16:31:00.813Z




Remote IP	Unique computers
172.22.208.1	1
fe80::dd46:bac5:1af4:11e1	1

Firewall in Advanced Hunting

```
1 DeviceEvents
2 | where ActionType startswith "Firewall"
3 | distinct ActionType, DeviceName
```

Getting started Results

↓ Export

<input type="checkbox"/> ActionType	DeviceName
<input type="checkbox"/> FirewallInboundConnectionToAppBlocked	 app02.cobrakaidojo.local
<input type="checkbox"/> FirewallOutboundConnectionBlocked	 haxwell-test
<input type="checkbox"/> FirewallInboundConnectionBlocked	 haxwell-test

```
RemoteIP      :
((n)) 13.107.18.254 ↗

RemotePort    :
443

LocalIP       :
((n)) 172.22.209.67 ↗

LocalPort     :
49704

InitiatingProcessSHA1 :
📄 75e2ede98ef98e220ef89b3066b9e2ea862a0e9a ↗

InitiatingProcessMD5 :
📄 436685939f0890002971d6da3478dbbe ↗
```

FirewallInboundConnectionBlocked

A firewall or another application blocked an inbound connection using the Windows Filtering Platform.

12txyewy

FirewallInboundConnectionToAppBlocked

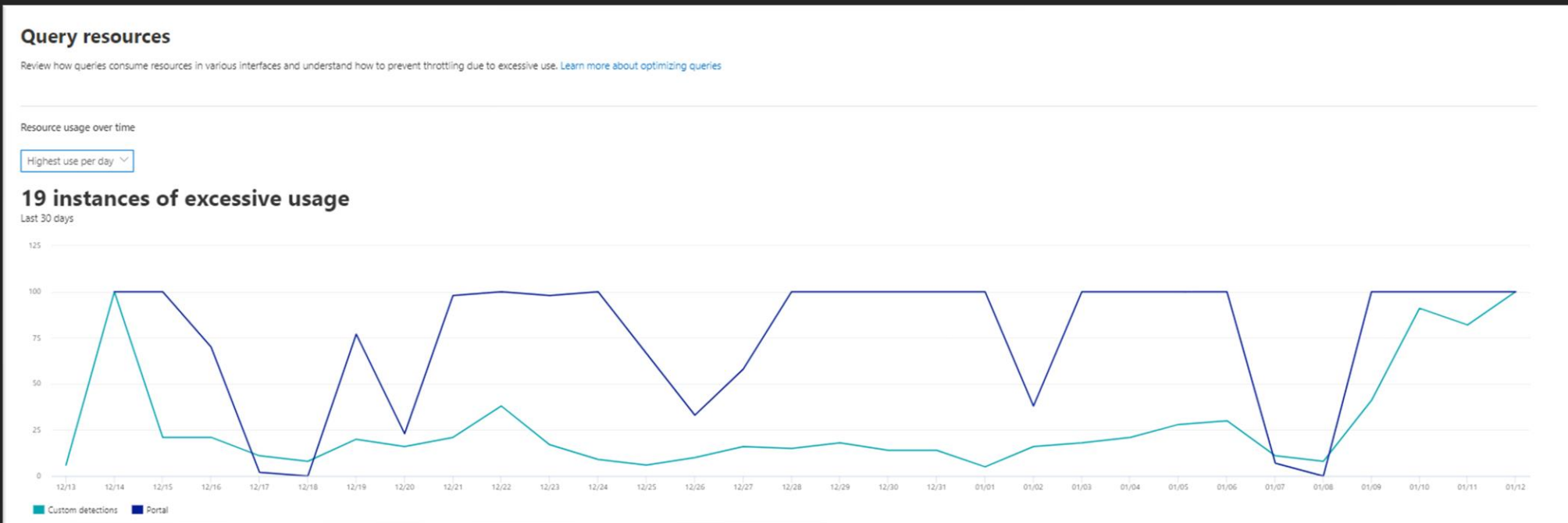
The firewall blocked an inbound connection to an app.

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FirewallOutboundConnectionBlocked

A firewall or another application blocked an outbound connection using the Windows Filtering Platform.

M365D Query Consumption



<https://security.microsoft.com/advanced-hunting/quotareport>


Tamper Protection - Exclusions

January 2023


- Tamper protection can now protect exclusions when deployed with Microsoft Intune. See [What about exclusions?](#)
- Live Response is now generally available for macOS and Linux. For more information, see, [Investigate entities on devices using live response.](#)
- Live response API and library API for Linux and macOS is now generally available
You can now run live response API commands on Linux and macOS.

THANK YOU



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