**What is AWS CloudTrail?**

You can use AWS CloudTrail to get a history of AWS API calls and related events for your account. This history includes calls made with the AWS Management Console, AWS Command Line Interface, AWS SDKs, and other AWS services.

You can identify which users and accounts called AWS for services that support CloudTrail, the source IP address the calls were made from, and when the calls occurred.

# How CloudTrail Works

AWS CloudTrail captures AWS API calls and related events made by or on behalf of an AWS account and delivers log files to an Amazon S3 bucket that you specify. A trail is a configuration that enables logging of AWS API calls and related events in your account.

## What Are Trails?

A trail is a configuration that enables logging of the AWS API activity and related events in your account. CloudTrail delivers the logs to an Amazon S3 bucket that you specify, and optionally to a CloudWatch Logs log group. You can also specify an Amazon SNS topic that receives notifications of log file deliveries.