
Amazon Kinesis Data Firehose

Developer Guide



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What Is Amazon Kinesis Data Firehose?

Amazon Kinesis Data Firehose is a fully managed service for delivering real-time [streaming data](#) to destinations such as Amazon Simple Storage Service (Amazon S3), Amazon Redshift, Amazon Elasticsearch Service (Amazon ES), and Splunk. Kinesis Data Firehose is part of the Kinesis streaming data platform, along with [Kinesis Data Streams](#), [Kinesis Video Streams](#), and [Amazon Kinesis Data Analytics](#). With Kinesis Data Firehose, you don't need to write applications or manage resources. You configure your data producers to send data to Kinesis Data Firehose, and it automatically delivers the data to the destination that you specified. You can also configure Kinesis Data Firehose to transform your data before delivering it.

For more information about AWS big data solutions, see [Big Data on AWS](#). For more information about AWS streaming data solutions, see [What is Streaming Data?](#)

Key Concepts

As you get started with Kinesis Data Firehose, you can benefit from understanding the following concepts:

Kinesis Data Firehose delivery stream

The underlying entity of Kinesis Data Firehose. You use Kinesis Data Firehose by creating a Kinesis Data Firehose delivery stream and then sending data to it. For more information, see [Creating an Amazon Kinesis Data Firehose Delivery Stream \(p. 5\)](#) and [Sending Data to an Amazon Kinesis Data Firehose Delivery Stream \(p. 15\)](#).

record

The data of interest that your data producer sends to a Kinesis Data Firehose delivery stream. A record can be as large as 1,000 KB.

data producer

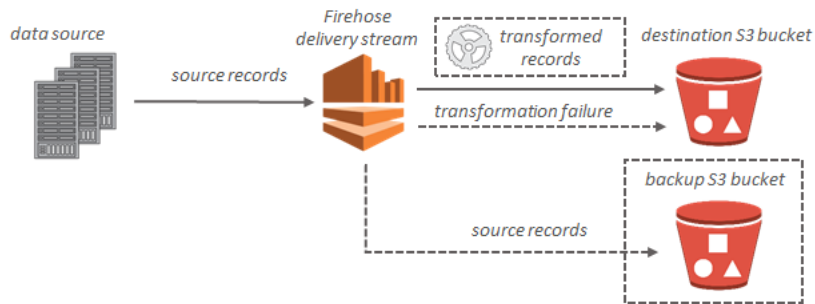
Producers send records to Kinesis Data Firehose delivery streams. For example, a web server that sends log data to a delivery stream is a data producer. You can also configure your Kinesis Data Firehose delivery stream to automatically read data from an existing Kinesis data stream, and load it into destinations. For more information, see [Sending Data to an Amazon Kinesis Data Firehose Delivery Stream \(p. 15\)](#).

buffer size and buffer interval

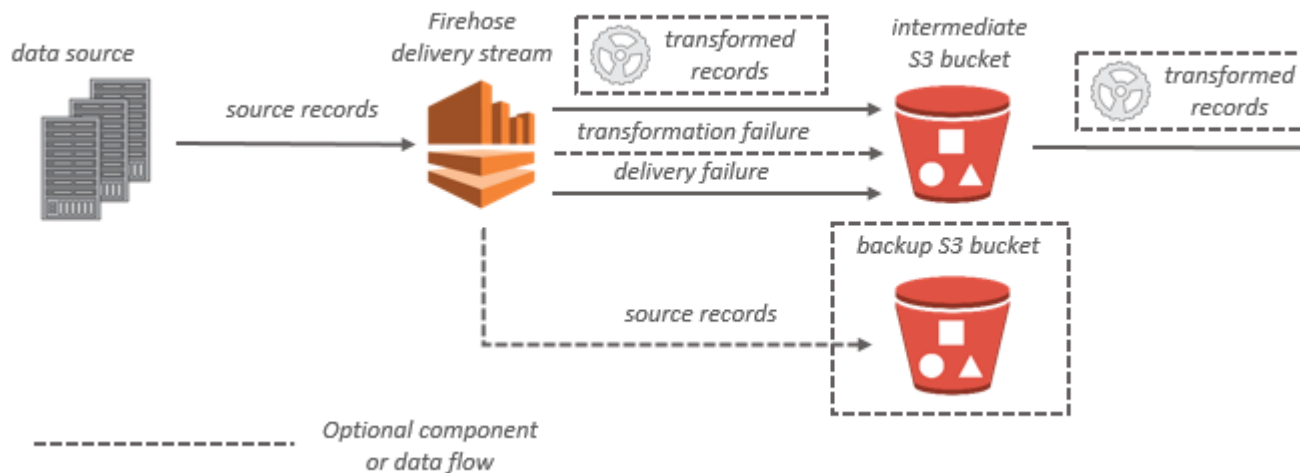
Kinesis Data Firehose buffers incoming streaming data to a certain size or for a certain period of time before delivering it to destinations. **Buffer Size** is in MBs and **Buffer Interval** is in seconds.

Data Flow

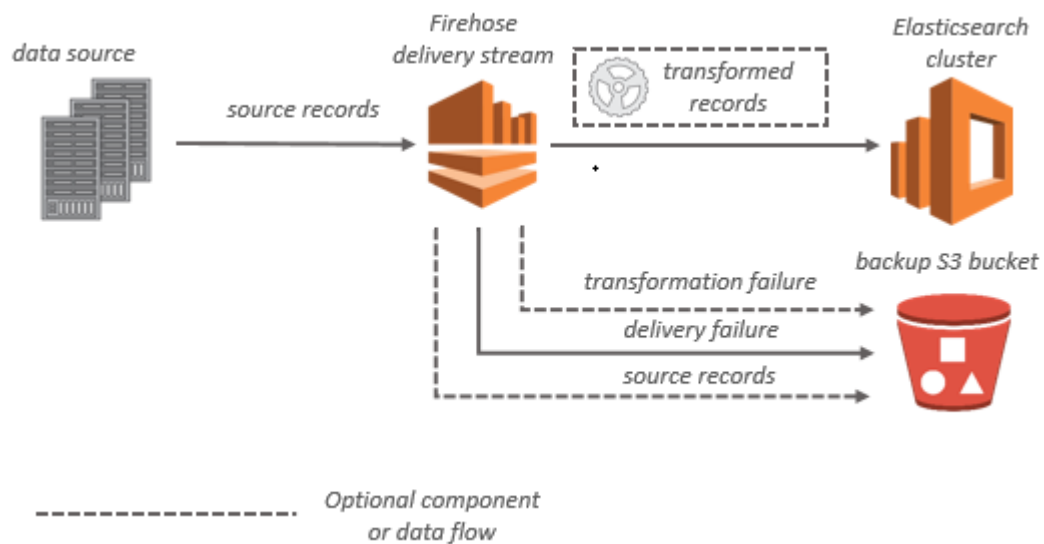
For Amazon S3 destinations, streaming data is delivered to your S3 bucket. If data transformation is enabled, you can optionally back up source data to another Amazon S3 bucket.



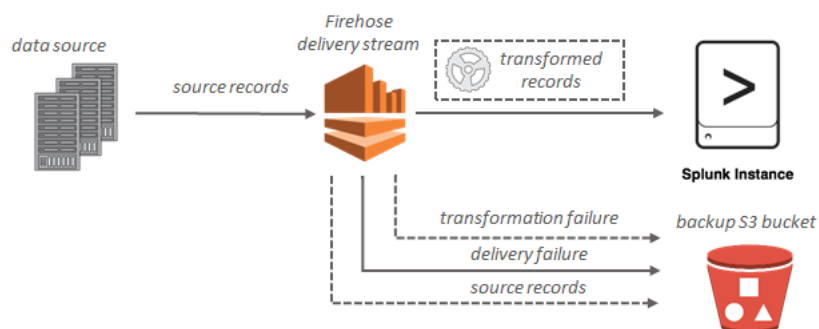
For Amazon Redshift destinations, streaming data is delivered to your S3 bucket first. Kinesis Data Firehose then issues an Amazon Redshift **COPY** command to load data from your S3 bucket to your Amazon Redshift cluster. If data transformation is enabled, you can optionally back up source data to another Amazon S3 bucket.



For Amazon ES destinations, streaming data is delivered to your Amazon ES cluster, and it can optionally be backed up to your S3 bucket concurrently.



For Splunk destinations, streaming data is delivered to Splunk, and it can optionally be backed up to your S3 bucket concurrently.



Setting Up for Amazon Kinesis Data Firehose

Before you use Kinesis Data Firehose for the first time, complete the following tasks.

Tasks

- [Sign Up for AWS](#) (p. 4)
- [Optional: Download Libraries and Tools](#) (p. 4)

Sign Up for AWS

When you sign up for Amazon Web Services (AWS), your AWS account is automatically signed up for all services in AWS, including Kinesis Data Firehose. You are charged only for the services that you use.

If you have an AWS account already, skip to the next task. If you don't have an AWS account, use the following procedure to create one.

To sign up for an AWS account

1. Open <https://aws.amazon.com/>, and then choose **Create an AWS Account**.

Note

If you previously signed in to the AWS Management Console using AWS account root user credentials, choose **Sign in to a different account**. If you previously signed in to the console using IAM credentials, choose **Sign-in using root account credentials**. Then choose **Create a new AWS account**.

2. Follow the online instructions.

Part of the sign-up procedure involves receiving a phone call and entering a verification code using the phone keypad.

Optional: Download Libraries and Tools

The following libraries and tools will help you work with Kinesis Data Firehose programmatically and from the command line:

- The [Amazon Kinesis Data Firehose API Reference](#) is the basic set of operations that Kinesis Data Firehose supports.
- The AWS SDKs for [Go](#), [Java](#), [.NET](#), [Node.js](#), [Python](#), and [Ruby](#) include Kinesis Data Firehose support and samples.

If your version of the AWS SDK for Java does not include samples for Kinesis Data Firehose, you can also download the latest AWS SDK from [GitHub](#).

- The [AWS Command Line Interface](#) supports Kinesis Data Firehose. The AWS CLI enables you to control multiple AWS services from the command line and automate them through scripts.

Creating an Amazon Kinesis Data Firehose Delivery Stream

You can use the AWS Management Console or an AWS SDK to create a Kinesis Data Firehose delivery stream to your chosen destination.

You can update the configuration of your delivery stream at any time after it's created, using the Kinesis Data Firehose console or [UpdateDestination](#). Your Kinesis Data Firehose delivery stream remains in the `ACTIVE` state while your configuration is updated, and you can continue to send data. The updated configuration normally takes effect within a few minutes. The version number of a Kinesis Data Firehose delivery stream is increased by a value of 1 after you update the configuration. It is reflected in the delivered Amazon S3 object name. For more information, see [Amazon S3 Object Name Format \(p. 37\)](#).

The following topics describe how to create a Kinesis Data Firehose delivery stream:

Topics

- [Name and source \(p. 5\)](#)
- [Process records \(p. 6\)](#)
- [Select destination \(p. 6\)](#)
- [Configure settings \(p. 11\)](#)

Name and source

This topic describes the **Name and source** page of the **Create Delivery Stream** wizard in Amazon Kinesis Data Firehose.

Name and source

1. Sign in to the AWS Management Console and open the Kinesis console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/kinesis>.
2. Choose **Data Firehose** in the navigation pane.
3. Choose **Create delivery stream**.
4. Enter values for the following fields:

Delivery stream name

The name of your Kinesis Data Firehose delivery stream.

Source

- **Direct PUT or other sources:** Choose this option to create a Kinesis Data Firehose delivery stream that producer applications write to directly.
- **Kinesis stream:** Choose this option to configure a Kinesis Data Firehose delivery stream that uses a Kinesis data stream as a data source. You can then use Kinesis Data Firehose to read data easily from an existing Kinesis data stream and load it into destinations. For more information about using Kinesis Data Streams as your data source, see [Writing to Amazon Kinesis Data Firehose Using Kinesis Data Streams](#).

5. Choose **Next** to go to the [Process records \(p. 6\)](#) page.

Process records

This topic describes the **Process records** page of the **Create Delivery Stream** wizard in Amazon Kinesis Data Firehose.

Process records

1. In the **Transform source records with AWS Lambda** section, provide values for the following field:

Record transformation

To create a Kinesis Data Firehose delivery stream that doesn't transform incoming data, choose **Disabled**.

To specify a Lambda function for Kinesis Data Firehose to invoke and use to transform incoming data before delivering it, choose **Enabled**. You can configure a new Lambda function using one of the Lambda blueprints or choose an existing Lambda function. Your Lambda function must contain the status model that is required by Kinesis Data Firehose. For more information, see [Amazon Kinesis Data Firehose Data Transformation \(p. 27\)](#).

2. In the **Convert record format** section, provide values for the following field:

Record format conversion

To create a Kinesis Data Firehose delivery stream that doesn't convert the format of the incoming data records, choose **Disabled**.

To convert the format of the incoming records, choose **Enabled**, then specify the output format you want. You need to specify an AWS Glue table that holds the schema that you want Kinesis Data Firehose to use to convert your record format. For more information, see [Record Format Conversion \(p. 30\)](#).

3. Choose **Next** to go to the **Select destination** page.

Select destination

This topic describes the **Select destination** page of the **Create Delivery Stream** wizard in Amazon Kinesis Data Firehose.

Kinesis Data Firehose can send records to Amazon Simple Storage Service (Amazon S3), Amazon Redshift, Amazon Elasticsearch Service (Amazon ES), or Splunk.

Topics

- [Choose Amazon S3 for Your Destination \(p. 6\)](#)
- [Choose Amazon Redshift for Your Destination \(p. 7\)](#)
- [Choose Amazon ES for Your Destination \(p. 8\)](#)
- [Choose Splunk for Your Destination \(p. 9\)](#)

Choose Amazon S3 for Your Destination

This section describes options for using Amazon S3 for your destination.

To choose Amazon S3 for your destination

- On the **Select destination** page, enter values for the following fields:

Destination

Choose **Amazon S3**.

S3 bucket

Choose an S3 bucket that you own where the streaming data should be delivered. You can create a new S3 bucket or choose an existing one.

Prefix

(Optional) To use the default prefix for Amazon S3 objects, leave this option blank. Kinesis Data Firehose automatically uses a prefix in the "YYYY/MM/DD/HH" UTC time format for delivered Amazon S3 objects. You can also override this default by specifying a custom prefix. For more information, see [Amazon S3 Object Name Format \(p. 37\)](#) and [Custom Amazon S3 Prefixes \(p. 38\)](#)

Error prefix

(Optional) You can specify a prefix for Kinesis Data Firehose to use when delivering data to Amazon S3 in error conditions. For more information, see [Amazon S3 Object Name Format \(p. 37\)](#) and [Custom Amazon S3 Prefixes \(p. 38\)](#)

Choose Amazon Redshift for Your Destination

This section describes options for using Amazon Redshift for your destination.

To choose Amazon Redshift for your destination

- On the **Select destination** page, enter values for the following fields:

Destination

Choose **Amazon Redshift**.

Cluster

The Amazon Redshift cluster to which S3 bucket data is copied. Configure the Amazon Redshift cluster to be publicly accessible and unblock Kinesis Data Firehose IP addresses. For more information, see [Grant Kinesis Data Firehose Access to an Amazon Redshift Destination \(p. 67\)](#).

User name

An Amazon Redshift user with permissions to access the Amazon Redshift cluster. This user must have the Amazon Redshift `INSERT` permission for copying data from the S3 bucket to the Amazon Redshift cluster.

Password

The password for the user who has permissions to access the cluster.

Database

The Amazon Redshift database to where the data is copied.

Table

The Amazon Redshift table to where the data is copied.

Columns

(Optional) The specific columns of the table to which the data is copied. Use this option if the number of columns defined in your Amazon S3 objects is less than the number of columns within the Amazon Redshift table.

Intermediate S3 bucket

Kinesis Data Firehose delivers your data to your S3 bucket first and then issues an Amazon Redshift **COPY** command to load the data into your Amazon Redshift cluster. Specify an S3 bucket that you own where the streaming data should be delivered. Create a new S3 bucket, or choose an existing bucket that you own.

Kinesis Data Firehose doesn't delete the data from your S3 bucket after loading it to your Amazon Redshift cluster. You can manage the data in your S3 bucket using a lifecycle configuration. For more information, see [Object Lifecycle Management](#) in the *Amazon Simple Storage Service Developer Guide*.

Prefix

(Optional) To use the default prefix for Amazon S3 objects, leave this option blank. Kinesis Data Firehose automatically uses a prefix in "YYYY/MM/DD/HH" UTC time format for delivered Amazon S3 objects. You can add to the start of this prefix. For more information, see [Amazon S3 Object Name Format \(p. 37\)](#).

COPY options

Parameters that you can specify in the Amazon Redshift **COPY** command. These might be required for your configuration. For example, "GZIP" is required if Amazon S3 data compression is enabled. "REGION" is required if your S3 bucket isn't in the same AWS Region as your Amazon Redshift cluster. For more information, see [COPY](#) in the *Amazon Redshift Database Developer Guide*.

COPY command

The Amazon Redshift **COPY** command. For more information, see [COPY](#) in the *Amazon Redshift Database Developer Guide*.

Retry duration

Time duration (0–7200 seconds) for Kinesis Data Firehose to retry if data **COPY** to your Amazon Redshift cluster fails. Kinesis Data Firehose retries every 5 minutes until the retry duration ends. If you set the retry duration to 0 (zero) seconds, Kinesis Data Firehose does not retry upon a **COPY** command failure.

Choose Amazon ES for Your Destination

This section describes options for using Amazon ES for your destination.

To choose Amazon ES for your destination

1. On the **Select destination** page, enter values for the following fields:

Destination

Choose **Amazon Elasticsearch Service**.

Domain

The Amazon ES domain to which your data is delivered.

Index

The Elasticsearch index name to be used when indexing data to your Amazon ES cluster.

Index rotation

Choose whether and how often the Elasticsearch index should be rotated. If index rotation is enabled, Kinesis Data Firehose appends the corresponding timestamp to the specified index name and rotates. For more information, see [Index Rotation for the Amazon ES Destination](#) (p. 37).

Type

The Amazon ES type name to be used when indexing data to your Amazon ES cluster. For Elasticsearch 6.x, there can be only one type per index. If you try to specify a new type for an existing index that already has another type, Kinesis Data Firehose returns an error during runtime.

Retry duration

Time duration (0–7200 seconds) for Kinesis Data Firehose to retry if an index request to your Amazon ES cluster fails. Kinesis Data Firehose retries every 5 minutes until the retry duration ends. If you set the retry duration to 0 (zero) seconds, Kinesis Data Firehose does not retry upon an index request failure.

Backup mode

You can choose to either back up failed records only or all records. If you choose failed records only, any data that Kinesis Data Firehose can't deliver to your Amazon ES cluster or that your Lambda function can't transform is backed up to the specified S3 bucket. If you choose all records, Kinesis Data Firehose backs up all incoming source data to your S3 bucket concurrently with data delivery to Amazon ES. For more information, see [Data Delivery Failure Handling](#) (p. 35) and [Data Transformation Failure Handling](#) (p. 28).

Backup S3 bucket

An S3 bucket you own that is the target of the backup data. Create a new S3 bucket, or choose an existing bucket that you own.

Backup S3 bucket prefix

(Optional) To use the default prefix for Amazon S3 objects, leave this option blank. Kinesis Data Firehose automatically uses a prefix in "YYYY/MM/DD/HH" UTC time format for delivered Amazon S3 objects. You can add to the start of this prefix. For more information, see [Amazon S3 Object Name Format](#) (p. 37).

2. Choose **Next** to go to the [Configure settings](#) (p. 11) page.

Choose Splunk for Your Destination

This section describes options for using Splunk for your destination.

To choose Splunk for your destination

- On the **Select destination** page, provide values for the following fields:

Destination

Choose **Splunk**.

Splunk cluster endpoint

To determine the endpoint, see [Configure Amazon Kinesis Firehose to Send Data to the Splunk Platform](#) in the Splunk documentation.

Splunk endpoint type

Choose `Raw` in most cases. Choose `Event` if you preprocessed your data using AWS Lambda to send data to different indexes by event type. For information about what endpoint to use, see [Configure Amazon Kinesis Firehose to send data to the Splunk platform](#) in the Splunk documentation.

Authentication token

To set up a Splunk endpoint that can receive data from Kinesis Data Firehose, see [Installation and configuration overview for the Splunk Add-on for Amazon Kinesis Firehose](#) in the Splunk documentation. Save the token that you get from Splunk when you set up the endpoint for this delivery stream, and add it here.

HEC acknowledgement timeout

Specify how long Kinesis Data Firehose waits for the index acknowledgement from Splunk. If Splunk doesn't send the acknowledgment before the timeout is reached, Kinesis Data Firehose considers it a data delivery failure. Kinesis Data Firehose then either retries or backs up the data to your Amazon S3 bucket, depending on the retry duration value that you set.

Retry duration

Specify how long Kinesis Data Firehose retries sending data to Splunk.

After sending data, Kinesis Data Firehose first waits for an acknowledgment from Splunk. If an error occurs or the acknowledgment doesn't arrive within the acknowledgment timeout period, Kinesis Data Firehose starts the retry duration counter. It keeps retrying until the retry duration expires. After that, Kinesis Data Firehose considers it a data delivery failure and backs up the data to your Amazon S3 bucket.

Every time that Kinesis Data Firehose sends data to Splunk (either the initial attempt or a retry), it restarts the acknowledgement timeout counter and waits for an acknowledgement from Splunk.

Even if the retry duration expires, Kinesis Data Firehose still waits for the acknowledgment until it receives it or the acknowledgement timeout period is reached. If the acknowledgment times out, Kinesis Data Firehose determines whether there's time left in the retry counter. If there is time left, it retries again and repeats the logic until it receives an acknowledgment or determines that the retry time has expired.

If you don't want Kinesis Data Firehose to retry sending data, set this value to 0.

S3 backup mode

Choose whether to back up all the events that Kinesis Data Firehose sends to Splunk or only the ones for which delivery to Splunk fails. If you require high data durability, turn on this backup mode for all events. Also consider backing up all events initially, until you verify that your data is getting indexed correctly in Splunk.

S3 backup bucket

Choose an existing backup bucket or create a new one.

Backup S3 bucket prefix

(Optional) To use the default prefix for Amazon S3 objects, leave this option blank. Kinesis Data Firehose automatically uses a prefix in "YYYY/MM/DD/HH" UTC time format for delivered

Amazon S3 objects. You can add to the start of this prefix. For more information, see [Amazon S3 Object Name Format \(p. 37\)](#).

Configure settings

This topic describes the **Configure settings** page of the **Create Delivery Stream** wizard.

Configure settings

1. On the **Configure settings** page, provide values for the following fields:

Buffer size, Buffer interval

Kinesis Data Firehose buffers incoming data before delivering it to Amazon S3. You can choose a buffer size (1–128 MBs) or buffer interval (60–900 seconds). The condition that is satisfied first triggers data delivery to Amazon S3. If you enable data transformation, the buffer interval applies from the time transformed data is received by Kinesis Data Firehose to the data delivery to Amazon S3. If data delivery to the destination falls behind data writing to the delivery stream, Kinesis Data Firehose raises the buffer size dynamically to catch up. This action helps ensure that all data is delivered to the destination.

Compression

Choose GZIP, Snappy, or Zip data compression, or no data compression. Snappy or Zip compression is not available for delivery streams with Amazon Redshift as the destination.

Encryption

Kinesis Data Firehose supports Amazon S3 server-side encryption with AWS Key Management Service (AWS KMS) for encrypting delivered data in Amazon S3. You can choose to not encrypt the data or to encrypt with a key from the list of AWS KMS keys that you own. For more information, see [Protecting Data Using Server-Side Encryption with AWS KMS–Managed Keys \(SSE-KMS\)](#).

Error logging

If data transformation is enabled, Kinesis Data Firehose can log the Lambda invocation, and send data delivery errors to CloudWatch Logs. Then you can view the specific error logs if the Lambda invocation or data delivery fails. For more information, see [Monitoring Kinesis Data Firehose Using CloudWatch Logs \(p. 54\)](#).

IAM role

You can choose to create a new role where required permissions are assigned automatically, or choose an existing role created for Kinesis Data Firehose. The role is used to grant Kinesis Data Firehose access to your S3 bucket, AWS KMS key (if data encryption is enabled), and Lambda function (if data transformation is enabled). The console might create a role with placeholders. You can safely ignore or safely delete lines with %FIREHOSE_BUCKET_NAME%, %FIREHOSE_DEFAULT_FUNCTION%, or %FIREHOSE_DEFAULT_VERSION%. For more information, see [Grant Kinesis Data Firehose Access to an Amazon S3 Destination \(p. 66\)](#).

2. Review the settings and choose **Create Delivery Stream**.

The new Kinesis Data Firehose delivery stream takes a few moments in the **Creating** state before it is available. After your Kinesis Data Firehose delivery stream is in an **Active** state, you can start sending data to it from your producer.

Testing Your Delivery Stream Using Sample Data

You can use the AWS Management Console to ingest simulated stock ticker data. The console runs a script in your browser to put sample records in your Kinesis Data Firehose delivery stream. This enables you to test the configuration of your delivery stream without having to generate your own test data.

The following is an example from the simulated data:

```
{ "TICKER_SYMBOL": "QXZ", "SECTOR": "HEALTHCARE", "CHANGE": -0.05, "PRICE": 84.51 }
```

Note that standard Amazon Kinesis Data Firehose charges apply when your delivery stream transmits the data, but there is no charge when the data is generated. To stop incurring these charges, you can stop the sample stream from the console at any time.

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Prerequisites

Before you begin, create a delivery stream. For more information, see [Creating an Amazon Kinesis Data Firehose Delivery Stream \(p. 5\)](#).

Test Using Amazon S3 as the Destination

Use the following procedure to test your delivery stream using Amazon Simple Storage Service (Amazon S3) as the destination.

To test a delivery stream using Amazon S3

1. Open the Kinesis Data Firehose console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/firehose/>.
2. Choose the delivery stream.
3. Under **Test with demo data**, choose **Start sending demo data** to generate sample stock ticker data.
4. Follow the onscreen instructions to verify that data is being delivered to your S3 bucket. Note that it might take a few minutes for new objects to appear in your bucket, based on the buffering configuration of your bucket.
5. When the test is complete, choose **Stop sending demo data** to stop incurring usage charges.

Test Using Amazon Redshift as the Destination

Use the following procedure to test your delivery stream using Amazon Redshift as the destination.

To test a delivery stream using Amazon Redshift

1. Your delivery stream expects a table to be present in your Amazon Redshift cluster. [Connect to Amazon Redshift through a SQL interface](#) and run the following statement to create a table that accepts the sample data.

```
create table firehose_test_table
(
  TICKER_SYMBOL varchar(4),
  SECTOR varchar(16),
  CHANGE float,
  PRICE float
);
```

2. Open the Kinesis Data Firehose console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/firehose/>.
3. Choose the delivery stream.
4. Edit the destination details for your delivery stream to point to the newly created `firehose_test_table` table.
5. Under **Test with demo data**, choose **Start sending demo data** to generate sample stock ticker data.
6. Follow the onscreen instructions to verify that data is being delivered to your table. Note that it might take a few minutes for new rows to appear in your table, based on the buffering configuration.
7. When the test is complete, choose **Stop sending demo data** to stop incurring usage charges.
8. Edit the destination details for your Kinesis Data Firehose delivery stream to point to another table.
9. (Optional) Delete the `firehose_test_table` table.

Test Using Amazon ES as the Destination

Use the following procedure to test your delivery stream using Amazon Elasticsearch Service (Amazon ES) as the destination.

To test a delivery stream using Amazon ES

1. Open the Kinesis Data Firehose console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/firehose/>.
2. Choose the delivery stream.
3. Under **Test with demo data**, choose **Start sending demo data** to generate sample stock ticker data.
4. Follow the onscreen instructions to verify that data is being delivered to your Amazon ES domain. For more information, see [Searching Documents in an Amazon ES Domain](#) in the *Amazon Elasticsearch Service Developer Guide*.
5. When the test is complete, choose **Stop sending demo data** to stop incurring usage charges.

Test Using Splunk as the Destination

Use the following procedure to test your delivery stream using Splunk as the destination.

To test a delivery stream using Splunk

1. Open the Kinesis Data Firehose console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/firehose/>.
2. Choose the delivery stream.
3. Under **Test with demo data**, choose **Start sending demo data** to generate sample stock ticker data.

4. Check whether the data is being delivered to your Splunk index. Example search terms in Splunk are `sourcetype="aws:firehose:json"` and `index="name-of-your-splunk-index"`. For more information about how to search for events in Splunk, see [Search Manual](#) in the Splunk documentation.

If the test data doesn't appear in your Splunk index, check your Amazon S3 bucket for failed events. Also see [Data Not Delivered to Splunk](#).

5. When you finish testing, choose **Stop sending demo data** to stop incurring usage charges.

Sending Data to an Amazon Kinesis Data Firehose Delivery Stream

You can send data to your Kinesis Data Firehose Delivery stream using different types of sources: You can use a Kinesis data stream, the Kinesis Agent, or the Kinesis Data Firehose API using the AWS SDK. You can also use Amazon CloudWatch Logs, CloudWatch Events, or AWS IoT as your data source. If you are new to Kinesis Data Firehose, take some time to become familiar with the concepts and terminology presented in [What Is Amazon Kinesis Data Firehose? \(p. 1\)](#).

Note

Some AWS services can only send messages and events to a Kinesis Data Firehose delivery stream that is in the same Region. If your delivery stream doesn't appear as an option when you're configuring a target for Amazon CloudWatch Logs, CloudWatch Events, or AWS IoT, verify that your Kinesis Data Firehose delivery stream is in the same Region as your other services.

Topics

- [Writing to Kinesis Data Firehose Using Kinesis Data Streams \(p. 15\)](#)
- [Writing to Kinesis Data Firehose Using Kinesis Agent \(p. 16\)](#)
- [Writing to Kinesis Data Firehose Using the AWS SDK \(p. 24\)](#)
- [Writing to Kinesis Data Firehose Using CloudWatch Logs \(p. 25\)](#)
- [Writing to Kinesis Data Firehose Using CloudWatch Events \(p. 26\)](#)
- [Writing to Kinesis Data Firehose Using AWS IoT \(p. 26\)](#)

Writing to Kinesis Data Firehose Using Kinesis Data Streams

You can configure Amazon Kinesis Data Streams to send information to a Kinesis Data Firehose delivery stream.

Important

If you use the Kinesis Producer Library (KPL) to write data to a Kinesis data stream, you can use aggregation to combine the records that you write to that Kinesis data stream. If you then use that data stream as a source for your Kinesis Data Firehose delivery stream, Kinesis Data Firehose de-aggregates the records before it delivers them to the destination. If you configure your delivery stream to transform the data, Kinesis Data Firehose de-aggregates the records before it delivers them to AWS Lambda. For more information, see [Developing Amazon Kinesis Data Streams Producers Using the Kinesis Producer Library](#) and [Aggregation](#).

1. Sign in to the AWS Management Console and open the Kinesis Data Firehose console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/firehose/>.
2. Choose **Create Delivery Stream**. On the **Name and source** page, provide values for the following fields:

Delivery stream name

The name of your Kinesis Data Firehose delivery stream.

Source

Choose **Kinesis stream** to configure a Kinesis Data Firehose delivery stream that uses a Kinesis data stream as a data source. You can then use Kinesis Data Firehose to read data easily from an existing data stream and load it into destinations.

To use a Kinesis data stream as a source, choose an existing stream in the **Kinesis stream** list, or choose **Create new** to create a new Kinesis data stream. After you create a new stream, choose **Refresh** to update the **Kinesis stream** list. If you have a large number of streams, filter the list using **Filter by name**.

Note

When you configure a Kinesis data stream as the source of a Kinesis Data Firehose delivery stream, the Kinesis Data Firehose `PutRecord` and `PutRecordBatch` operations are disabled. To add data to your Kinesis Data Firehose delivery stream in this case, use the Kinesis Data Streams `PutRecord` and `PutRecords` operations.

Kinesis Data Firehose starts reading data from the `LATEST` position of your Kinesis stream. For more information about Kinesis Data Streams positions, see [GetShardIterator](#). Kinesis Data Firehose calls the Kinesis Data Streams [GetRecords](#) operation once per second for each shard.

More than one Kinesis Data Firehose delivery stream can read from the same Kinesis stream. Other Kinesis applications (consumers) can also read from the same stream. Each call from any Kinesis Data Firehose delivery stream or other consumer application counts against the overall throttling limit for the shard. To avoid getting throttled, plan your applications carefully. For more information about Kinesis Data Streams limits, see [Amazon Kinesis Streams Limits](#).

3. Choose **Next** to advance to the [Process records \(p. 6\)](#) page.

Writing to Kinesis Data Firehose Using Kinesis Agent

Amazon Kinesis Agent is a standalone Java software application that offers an easy way to collect and send data to Kinesis Data Firehose. The agent continuously monitors a set of files and sends new data to your Kinesis Data Firehose delivery stream. The agent handles file rotation, checkpointing, and retry upon failures. It delivers all of your data in a reliable, timely, and simple manner. It also emits Amazon CloudWatch metrics to help you better monitor and troubleshoot the streaming process.

By default, records are parsed from each file based on the newline (`'\n'`) character. However, the agent can also be configured to parse multi-line records (see [Agent Configuration Settings \(p. 18\)](#)).

You can install the agent on Linux-based server environments such as web servers, log servers, and database servers. After installing the agent, configure it by specifying the files to monitor and the delivery stream for the data. After the agent is configured, it durably collects data from the files and reliably sends it to the delivery stream.

Topics

- [Prerequisites \(p. 17\)](#)
- [Download and Install the Agent \(p. 17\)](#)
- [Configure and Start the Agent \(p. 18\)](#)
- [Agent Configuration Settings \(p. 18\)](#)
- [Monitor Multiple File Directories and Write to Multiple Streams \(p. 20\)](#)
- [Use the Agent to Preprocess Data \(p. 21\)](#)

- [Agent CLI Commands \(p. 24\)](#)

Prerequisites

- Your operating system must be either Amazon Linux AMI with version 2015.09 or later, or Red Hat Enterprise Linux version 7 or later.
- If you are using Amazon EC2 to run your agent, launch your EC2 instance.
- Manage your AWS credentials using one of the following methods:
 - Specify an IAM role when you launch your EC2 instance.
 - Specify AWS credentials when you configure the agent (see the entries for `awsAccessKeyId` and `awsSecretAccessKey` in the configuration table under [the section called "Agent Configuration Settings" \(p. 18\)](#)).
 - Edit `/etc/sysconfig/aws-kinesis-agent` to specify your AWS Region and AWS access keys.
 - If your EC2 instance is in a different AWS account, create an IAM role to provide access to the Kinesis Data Firehose service. Specify that role when you configure the agent (see [assumeRoleARN \(p. \)](#) and [assumeRoleExternalId \(p. \)](#)). Use one of the previous methods to specify the AWS credentials of a user in the other account who has permission to assume this role.
- The IAM role or AWS credentials that you specify must have permission to perform the Kinesis Data Firehose [PutRecordBatch](#) operation for the agent to send data to your delivery stream. If you enable CloudWatch monitoring for the agent, permission to perform the CloudWatch [PutMetricData](#) operation is also needed. For more information, see [Controlling Access with Amazon Kinesis Data Firehose \(p. 65\)](#), [Monitoring Kinesis Agent Health \(p. 59\)](#), and [Authentication and Access Control for Amazon CloudWatch](#).

Download and Install the Agent

First, connect to your instance. For more information, see [Connect to Your Instance](#) in the *Amazon EC2 User Guide for Linux Instances*. If you have trouble connecting, see [Troubleshooting Connecting to Your Instance](#) in the *Amazon EC2 User Guide for Linux Instances*.

Next, install the agent using one of the following methods.

To set up the agent using the Amazon Linux AMI

Use the following command to download and install the agent:

```
sudo yum install -y aws-kinesis-agent
```

To set up the agent using Red Hat Enterprise Linux

Use the following command to download and install the agent:

```
sudo yum install -y https://s3.amazonaws.com/streaming-data-agent/aws-kinesis-agent-latest.amzn1.noarch.rpm
```

To set up the agent using GitHub

1. Download the agent from [awslabs/amazon-kinesis-agent](#).
2. Install the agent by navigating to the download directory and running the following command:

```
sudo ./setup --install
```

Configure and Start the Agent

To configure and start the agent

1. Open and edit the configuration file (as superuser if using default file access permissions): `/etc/aws-kinesis/agent.json`

In this configuration file, specify the files (`"filePattern"`) from which the agent collects data, and the name of the delivery stream (`"deliveryStream"`) to which the agent sends data. The file name is a pattern, and the agent recognizes file rotations. You can rotate files or create new files no more than once per second. The agent uses the file creation time stamp to determine which files to track and tail into your delivery stream. Creating new files or rotating files more frequently than once per second does not allow the agent to differentiate properly between them.

```
{
  "flows": [
    {
      "filePattern": "/tmp/app.log*",
      "deliveryStream": "yourdeliverystream"
    }
  ]
}
```

The default AWS Region is `us-east-1`. If you are using a different Region, add the `firehose.endpoint` setting to the configuration file, specifying the endpoint for your Region. For more information, see [Agent Configuration Settings \(p. 18\)](#).

2. Start the agent manually:

```
sudo service aws-kinesis-agent start
```

3. (Optional) Configure the agent to start on system startup:

```
sudo chkconfig aws-kinesis-agent on
```

The agent is now running as a system service in the background. It continuously monitors the specified files and sends data to the specified delivery stream. Agent activity is logged in `/var/log/aws-kinesis-agent/aws-kinesis-agent.log`.

Agent Configuration Settings

The agent supports two mandatory configuration settings, `filePattern` and `deliveryStream`, plus optional configuration settings for additional features. You can specify both mandatory and optional configuration settings in `/etc/aws-kinesis/agent.json`.

Whenever you change the configuration file, you must stop and start the agent, using the following commands:

```
sudo service aws-kinesis-agent stop
sudo service aws-kinesis-agent start
```

Alternatively, you could use the following command:

```
sudo service aws-kinesis-agent restart
```

The following are the general configuration settings.

Configuration Setting	Description
<code>assumeRoleARN</code>	The Amazon Resource Name (ARN) of the role to be assumed by the user. For more information, see Delegate Access Across AWS Accounts Using IAM Roles in the <i>IAM User Guide</i> .
<code>assumeRoleExternalId</code>	An optional identifier that determines who can assume the role. For more information, see How to Use an External ID in the <i>IAM User Guide</i> .
<code>awsAccessKeyId</code>	AWS access key ID that overrides the default credentials. This setting takes precedence over all other credential providers.
<code>awsSecretAccessKey</code>	AWS secret key that overrides the default credentials. This setting takes precedence over all other credential providers.
<code>cloudwatch.emitMetrics</code>	Enables the agent to emit metrics to CloudWatch if set (true). Default: true
<code>cloudwatch.endpoint</code>	The regional endpoint for CloudWatch. Default: <code>monitoring.us-east-1.amazonaws.com</code>
<code>firehose.endpoint</code>	The regional endpoint for Kinesis Data Firehose. Default: <code>firehose.us-east-1.amazonaws.com</code>

The following are the flow configuration settings.

Configuration Setting	Description
<code>dataProcessingOptions</code>	The list of processing options applied to each parsed record before it is sent to the delivery stream. The processing options are performed in the specified order. For more information, see Use the Agent to Preprocess Data (p. 21).
<code>deliveryStream</code>	[Required] The name of the delivery stream.
<code>filePattern</code>	[Required] A glob for the files that need to be monitored by the agent. Any file that matches this pattern is picked up by the agent automatically and monitored. For all files matching this pattern, read permission must be granted to <code>aws-kinesis-agent-user</code> . For the directory containing the files, read and execute permissions must be granted to <code>aws-kinesis-agent-user</code> .
<code>initialPosition</code>	The initial position from which the file started to be parsed. Valid values are <code>START_OF_FILE</code> and <code>END_OF_FILE</code> . Default: <code>END_OF_FILE</code>
<code>maxBufferAgeMillis</code>	The maximum time, in milliseconds, for which the agent buffers data before sending it to the delivery stream. Value range: 1,000–900,000 (1 second to 15 minutes) Default: 60,000 (1 minute)

Configuration Setting	Description
<code>maxBufferSizeBytes</code>	The maximum size, in bytes, for which the agent buffers data before sending it to the delivery stream. Value range: 1–4,194,304 (4 MB) Default: 4,194,304 (4 MB)
<code>maxBufferSizeRecords</code>	The maximum number of records for which the agent buffers data before sending it to the delivery stream. Value range: 1–500 Default: 500
<code>minTimeBetweenFilePolls</code>	The minimum interval, in milliseconds, at which the agent polls and parses the monitored files for new data. Value range: 1 or more Default: 100
<code>multiLineStartPattern</code>	The pattern for identifying the start of a record. A record is made of a line that matches the pattern and any following lines that don't match the pattern. The valid values are regular expressions. By default, each new line in the log files is parsed as one record.
<code>skipHeaderLines</code>	The number of lines for the agent to skip parsing at the beginning of monitored files. Value range: 0 or more Default: 0 (zero)
<code>truncatedRecordTerminator</code>	The string that the agent uses to truncate a parsed record when the record size exceeds the Kinesis Data Firehose record size limit. (1,000 KB) Default: ' \n ' (newline)

Monitor Multiple File Directories and Write to Multiple Streams

By specifying multiple flow configuration settings, you can configure the agent to monitor multiple file directories and send data to multiple streams. In the following configuration example, the agent monitors two file directories and sends data to a Kinesis data stream and a Kinesis Data Firehose delivery stream respectively. You can specify different endpoints for Kinesis Data Streams and Kinesis Data Firehose so that your data stream and Kinesis Data Firehose delivery stream don't need to be in the same Region.

```
{
  "cloudwatch.emitMetrics": true,
  "kinesis.endpoint": "https://your/kinesis/endpoint",
  "firehose.endpoint": "https://your/firehose/endpoint",
  "flows": [
    {
      "filePattern": "/tmp/app1.log*",
      "kinesisStream": "yourkinesisstream"
```

```
    },  
    {  
      "filePattern": "/tmp/app2.log*",  
      "deliveryStream": "yourfirehosedeliverystream"  
    }  
  ]  
}
```

For more detailed information about using the agent with Amazon Kinesis Data Streams, see [Writing to Amazon Kinesis Data Streams with Kinesis Agent](#).

Use the Agent to Preprocess Data

The agent can pre-process the records parsed from monitored files before sending them to your delivery stream. You can enable this feature by adding the `dataProcessingOptions` configuration setting to your file flow. One or more processing options can be added, and they are performed in the specified order.

The agent supports the following processing options. Because the agent is open source, you can further develop and extend its processing options. You can download the agent from [Kinesis Agent](#).

Processing Options

SINGLELINE

Converts a multi-line record to a single-line record by removing newline characters, leading spaces, and trailing spaces.

```
{  
  "optionName": "SINGLELINE"  
}
```

CSVTOJSON

Converts a record from delimiter-separated format to JSON format.

```
{  
  "optionName": "CSVTOJSON",  
  "customFieldNames": [ "field1", "field2", ... ],  
  "delimiter": "yourdelimiter"  
}
```

customFieldNames

[Required] The field names used as keys in each JSON key value pair. For example, if you specify ["f1", "f2"], the record "v1, v2" is converted to { "f1": "v1", "f2": "v2" }.

delimiter

The string used as the delimiter in the record. The default is a comma (,).

LOGTOJSON

Converts a record from a log format to JSON format. The supported log formats are **Apache Common Log**, **Apache Combined Log**, **Apache Error Log**, and **RFC3164 Syslog**.

```
{  
  "optionName": "LOGTOJSON",  
  "logFormat": "logformat",  
  "matchPattern": "yourregexpattern",  
  "customFieldNames": [ "field1", "field2", ... ]  
}
```

```
}
```

`logFormat`

[Required] The log entry format. The following are possible values:

- **COMMONAPACHELOG** — The Apache Common Log format. Each log entry has the following pattern by default: `"%{host} %{ident} %{authuser} [%{datetime}] \"%{request}\" %{response} %{bytes}\"`.
- **COMBINEDAPACHELOG** — The Apache Combined Log format. Each log entry has the following pattern by default: `"%{host} %{ident} %{authuser} [%{datetime}] \"%{request}\" %{response} %{bytes} %{referrer} %{agent}\"`.
- **APACHEERRORLOG** — The Apache Error Log format. Each log entry has the following pattern by default: `"[%{timestamp}] [%{module}:%{severity}] [pid %{processid}:tid %{threadid}] [client: %{client}] %{message}"`.
- **SYSLOG** — The RFC3164 Syslog format. Each log entry has the following pattern by default: `"%{timestamp} %{hostname} %{program}[%{processid}]: %{message}"`.

`matchPattern`

Overrides the default pattern for the specified log format. Use this setting to extract values from log entries if they use a custom format. If you specify `matchPattern`, you must also specify `customFieldNames`.

`customFieldNames`

The custom field names used as keys in each JSON key value pair. You can use this setting to define field names for values extracted from `matchPattern`, or override the default field names of predefined log formats.

Example : LOGTOJSON Configuration

Here is one example of a LOGTOJSON configuration for an Apache Common Log entry converted to JSON format:

```
{
  "optionName": "LOGTOJSON",
  "logFormat": "COMMONAPACHELOG"
}
```

Before conversion:

```
64.242.88.10 - - [07/Mar/2004:16:10:02 -0800] "GET /mailman/listinfo/hsdivision HTTP/1.1"
200 6291
```

After conversion:

```
{"host": "64.242.88.10", "ident": null, "authuser": null, "datetime": "07/Mar/2004:16:10:02 -0800", "request": "GET /mailman/listinfo/hsdivision HTTP/1.1", "response": "200", "bytes": "6291"}
```

Example : LOGTOJSON Configuration With Custom Fields

Here is another example LOGTOJSON configuration:

```
{
  "optionName": "LOGTOJSON",
  "logFormat": "COMMONAPACHELOG",
```

```
"customFieldNames": ["f1", "f2", "f3", "f4", "f5", "f6", "f7"]
}
```

With this configuration setting, the same Apache Common Log entry from the previous example is converted to JSON format as follows:

```
{"f1":"64.242.88.10","f2":null,"f3":null,"f4":"07/Mar/2004:16:10:02 -0800","f5":"GET /  
mailman/listinfo/hsdivision HTTP/1.1","f6":"200","f7":"6291"}
```

Example : Convert Apache Common Log Entry

The following flow configuration converts an Apache Common Log entry to a single-line record in JSON format:

```
{
  "flows": [
    {
      "filePattern": "/tmp/app.log*",
      "deliveryStream": "my-delivery-stream",
      "dataProcessingOptions": [
        {
          "optionName": "LOGTOJSON",
          "logFormat": "COMMONAPACHELOG"
        }
      ]
    }
  ]
}
```

Example : Convert Multi-Line Records

The following flow configuration parses multi-line records whose first line starts with "[SEQUENCE=". Each record is first converted to a single-line record. Then, values are extracted from the record based on a tab delimiter. Extracted values are mapped to specified customFieldNames values to form a single-line record in JSON format.

```
{
  "flows": [
    {
      "filePattern": "/tmp/app.log*",
      "deliveryStream": "my-delivery-stream",
      "multilineStartPattern": "\\[SEQUENCE=",
      "dataProcessingOptions": [
        {
          "optionName": "SINGLELINE"
        },
        {
          "optionName": "CSVTOJSON",
          "customFieldNames": [ "field1", "field2", "field3" ],
          "delimiter": "\\t"
        }
      ]
    }
  ]
}
```

Example : LOGTOJSON Configuration with Match Pattern

Here is one example of a LOGTOJSON configuration for an Apache Common Log entry converted to JSON format, with the last field (bytes) omitted:

```
{
  "optionName": "LOGTOJSON",
  "logFormat": "COMMONAPACHELOG",
  "matchPattern": "^([\\d.]+) (\\S+) (\\S+) \\[[([\\w:/]+\\s[+-]\\d{4})\\] \\\"(.+?)\\\" (\\d{3})",
  "customFieldNames": ["host", "ident", "authuser", "datetime", "request", "response"]
}
```

Before conversion:

```
123.45.67.89 - - [27/Oct/2000:09:27:09 -0400] "GET /java/javaResources.html HTTP/1.0" 200
```

After conversion:

```
{ "host": "123.45.67.89", "ident": null, "authuser": null, "datetime": "27/Oct/2000:09:27:09 -0400", "request": "GET /java/javaResources.html HTTP/1.0", "response": "200" }
```

Agent CLI Commands

Automatically start the agent on system startup:

```
sudo chkconfig aws-kinesis-agent on
```

Check the status of the agent:

```
sudo service aws-kinesis-agent status
```

Stop the agent:

```
sudo service aws-kinesis-agent stop
```

Read the agent's log file from this location:

```
/var/log/aws-kinesis-agent/aws-kinesis-agent.log
```

Uninstall the agent:

```
sudo yum remove aws-kinesis-agent
```

Writing to Kinesis Data Firehose Using the AWS SDK

You can use the [Amazon Kinesis Data Firehose API](#) to send data to a Kinesis Data Firehose delivery stream using the [AWS SDK for Java](#), [.NET](#), [Node.js](#), [Python](#), or [Ruby](#). If you are new to Kinesis Data Firehose, take some time to become familiar with the concepts and terminology presented in [What Is Amazon Kinesis Data Firehose? \(p. 1\)](#). For more information, see [Start Developing with Amazon Web Services](#).

These examples do not represent production-ready code, in that they do not check for all possible exceptions, or account for all possible security or performance considerations.

The Kinesis Data Firehose API offers two operations for sending data to your delivery stream: [PutRecord](#) and [PutRecordBatch](#). `PutRecord()` sends one data record within one call and `PutRecordBatch()` can send multiple data records within one call.

Topics

- [Single Write Operations Using PutRecord \(p. 25\)](#)
- [Batch Write Operations Using PutRecordBatch \(p. 25\)](#)

Single Write Operations Using PutRecord

Putting data requires only the Kinesis Data Firehose delivery stream name and a byte buffer (<=1000 KB). Because Kinesis Data Firehose batches multiple records before loading the file into Amazon S3, you may want to add a record separator. To put data one record at a time into a delivery stream, use the following code:

```
PutRecordRequest putRecordRequest = new PutRecordRequest();
putRecordRequest.setDeliveryStreamName(deliveryStreamName);

String data = line + "\n";

Record record = new Record().withData(ByteBuffer.wrap(data.getBytes()));
putRecordRequest.setRecord(record);

// Put record into the DeliveryStream
firehoseClient.putRecord(putRecordRequest);
```

For more code context, see the sample code included in the AWS SDK. For information about request and response syntax, see the relevant topic in [Amazon Kinesis Data Firehose API Operations](#).

Batch Write Operations Using PutRecordBatch

Putting data requires only the Kinesis Data Firehose delivery stream name and a list of records. Because Kinesis Data Firehose batches multiple records before loading the file into Amazon S3, you may want to add a record separator. To put data records in batches into a delivery stream, use the following code:

```
PutRecordBatchRequest putRecordBatchRequest = new PutRecordBatchRequest();
putRecordBatchRequest.setDeliveryStreamName(deliveryStreamName);
putRecordBatchRequest.setRecords(recordList);

// Put Record Batch records. Max No.Of Records we can put in a
// single put record batch request is 500
firehoseClient.putRecordBatch(putRecordBatchRequest);

recordList.clear();
```

For more code context, see the sample code included in the AWS SDK. For information about request and response syntax, see the relevant topic in [Amazon Kinesis Data Firehose API Operations](#).

Writing to Kinesis Data Firehose Using CloudWatch Logs

For information about how to create a CloudWatch Logs subscription that sends log events to Kinesis Data Firehose, see [Subscription Filters with Amazon Kinesis Firehose](#).

Writing to Kinesis Data Firehose Using CloudWatch Events

You can configure Amazon CloudWatch to send events to a Kinesis Data Firehose delivery stream by adding a target to a CloudWatch Events rule.

To create a target for a CloudWatch Events rule that sends events to an existing delivery stream

1. Sign in to the AWS Management Console and open the CloudWatch console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/cloudwatch/>.
2. Choose **Create rule**.
3. On the **Step 1: Create rule** page, for **Targets**, choose **Add target**, and then choose **Firehose delivery stream**.
4. For **Delivery stream**, choose an existing Kinesis Data Firehose delivery stream.

For more information about creating CloudWatch Events rules, see [Getting Started with Amazon CloudWatch Events](#).

Writing to Kinesis Data Firehose Using AWS IoT

You can configure AWS IoT to send information to a Amazon Kinesis Data Firehose delivery stream by adding an action.

To create an action that sends events to an existing Kinesis Data Firehose delivery stream

1. When creating a rule in the AWS IoT console, on the **Create a rule** page, under **Set one or more actions**, choose **Add action**.
2. Choose **Send messages to an Amazon Kinesis Firehose stream**.
3. Choose **Configure action**.
4. For **Stream name**, choose an existing Kinesis Data Firehose delivery stream.
5. For **Separator**, choose a separator character to be inserted between records.
6. For **IAM role name**, choose an existing IAM role or choose **Create a new role**.
7. Choose **Add action**.

For more information about creating AWS IoT rules, see [AWS IoT Rule Tutorials](#).

Amazon Kinesis Data Firehose Data Transformation

Kinesis Data Firehose can invoke your Lambda function to transform incoming source data and deliver the transformed data to destinations. You can enable Kinesis Data Firehose data transformation when you create your delivery stream.

Data Transformation Flow

When you enable Kinesis Data Firehose data transformation, Kinesis Data Firehose buffers incoming data up to 3 MB by default. (To adjust the buffering size, use the [ProcessingConfiguration](#) API with the [ProcessorParameter](#) called `BufferSizeInMBs`.) Kinesis Data Firehose then invokes the specified Lambda function asynchronously with each buffered batch using the AWS Lambda synchronous invocation mode. The transformed data is sent from Lambda to Kinesis Data Firehose. Kinesis Data Firehose then sends it to the destination when the specified destination buffering size or buffering interval is reached, whichever happens first.

Important

The Lambda synchronous invocation mode has a payload size limit of 6 MB for both the request and the response. Make sure that your buffering size for sending the request to the function is less than or equal to 6 MB. Also ensure that the response that your function returns doesn't exceed 6 MB.

Data Transformation and Status Model

All transformed records from Lambda must contain the following parameters, or Kinesis Data Firehose rejects them and treats that as a data transformation failure.

recordId

The record ID is passed from Kinesis Data Firehose to Lambda during the invocation. The transformed record must contain the same record ID. Any mismatch between the ID of the original record and the ID of the transformed record is treated as a data transformation failure.

result

The status of the data transformation of the record. The possible values are: `Ok` (the record was transformed successfully), `Dropped` (the record was dropped intentionally by your processing logic), and `ProcessingFailed` (the record could not be transformed). If a record has a status of `Ok` or `Dropped`, Kinesis Data Firehose considers it successfully processed. Otherwise, Kinesis Data Firehose considers it unsuccessfully processed.

data

The transformed data payload, after base64-encoding.

Lambda Blueprints

Kinesis Data Firehose provides the following Lambda blueprints that you can use to create a Lambda function for data transformation.

- **General Firehose Processing** — Contains the data transformation and status model described in the previous section. Use this blueprint for any custom transformation logic.
- **Apache Log to JSON** — Parses and converts Apache log lines to JSON objects, using predefined JSON field names.
- **Apache Log to CSV** — Parses and converts Apache log lines to CSV format.
- **Syslog to JSON** — Parses and converts Syslog lines to JSON objects, using predefined JSON field names.
- **Syslog to CSV** — Parses and converts Syslog lines to CSV format.
- **Kinesis Data Firehose Process Record Streams as source** — Accesses the Kinesis Data Streams records in the input and returns them with a processing status.
- **Kinesis Data Firehose CloudWatch Logs Processor** — Parses and extracts individual log events from records sent by CloudWatch Logs subscription filters.

Lambda blueprints are only available in the Node.js and Python languages. You can implement your own functions in other supported languages. For information about AWS Lambda supported languages, see [Introduction: Building Lambda Functions](#).

To see all the Lambda blueprints for Kinesis Data Firehose, with examples in Python and Node.js

1. Sign in to the AWS Management Console and open the AWS Lambda console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lambda/>.
2. Choose **Create function**, and then choose **Blueprints**.
3. Search for the keyword "firehose" to find the [Kinesis Data Firehose Lambda Blueprints](#).

Data Transformation Failure Handling

If your Lambda function invocation fails because of a network timeout or because you've reached the Lambda invocation limit, Kinesis Data Firehose retries the invocation three times by default. If the invocation does not succeed, Kinesis Data Firehose then skips that batch of records. The skipped records are treated as unsuccessfully processed records. You can specify or override the retry options using the [CreateDeliveryStream](#) or [UpdateDestination](#) API. For this type of failure, you can log invocation errors to Amazon CloudWatch Logs. For more information, see [Monitoring Kinesis Data Firehose Using CloudWatch Logs](#) (p. 54).

If the status of the data transformation of a record is `ProcessingFailed`, Kinesis Data Firehose treats the record as unsuccessfully processed. For this type of failure, you can emit error logs to Amazon CloudWatch Logs from your Lambda function. For more information, see [Accessing Amazon CloudWatch Logs for AWS Lambda](#) in the *AWS Lambda Developer Guide*.

If data transformation fails, the unsuccessfully processed records are delivered to your S3 bucket in the `processing-failed` folder. The records have the following format:

```
{
  "attemptsMade": "count",
  "arrivalTimestamp": "timestamp",
  "errorCode": "code",
  "errorMessage": "message",
  "attemptEndingTimestamp": "timestamp",
  "rawData": "data",
  "lambdaArn": "arn"
}
```

`attemptsMade`

The number of invocation requests attempted.

`arrivalTimestamp`

The time that the record was received by Kinesis Data Firehose.

`errorCode`

The HTTP error code returned by Lambda.

`errorMessage`

The error message returned by Lambda.

`attemptEndingTimestamp`

The time that Kinesis Data Firehose stopped attempting Lambda invocations.

`rawData`

The base64-encoded record data.

`lambdaArn`

The Amazon Resource Name (ARN) of the Lambda function.

Duration of a Lambda Invocation

Kinesis Data Firehose supports a Lambda invocation time of up to 5 minutes. If your Lambda function takes more than 5 minutes to complete, you get the following error: Firehose encountered timeout errors when calling AWS Lambda. The maximum supported function timeout is 5 minutes.

For information about what Kinesis Data Firehose does if such an error occurs, see [the section called "Data Transformation Failure Handling" \(p. 28\)](#).

Source Record Backup

Kinesis Data Firehose can back up all untransformed records to your S3 bucket concurrently while delivering transformed records to the destination. You can enable source record backup when you create or update your delivery stream. You cannot disable source record backup after you enable it.

Converting Your Input Record Format in Kinesis Data Firehose

Amazon Kinesis Data Firehose can convert the format of your input data from JSON to [Apache Parquet](#) or [Apache ORC](#) before storing the data in Amazon S3. Parquet and ORC are columnar data formats that save space and enable faster queries compared to row-oriented formats like JSON. If you want to convert an input format other than JSON, such as comma-separated values (CSV) or structured text, you can use AWS Lambda to transform it to JSON first. For more information, see [Data Transformation \(p. 27\)](#).

Topics

- [Record Format Conversion Requirements \(p. 30\)](#)
- [Choosing the JSON Deserializer \(p. 30\)](#)
- [Choosing the Serializer \(p. 31\)](#)
- [Converting Input Record Format \(Console\) \(p. 31\)](#)
- [Converting Input Record Format \(API\) \(p. 32\)](#)
- [Record Format Conversion Error Handling \(p. 32\)](#)

Record Format Conversion Requirements

Kinesis Data Firehose requires the following three elements to convert the format of your record data:

- **A deserializer to read the JSON of your input data** – You can choose one of two types of deserializers: [Apache Hive JSON SerDe](#) or [OpenX JSON SerDe](#).
- **A schema to determine how to interpret that data** – Use [AWS Glue](#) to create a schema in the AWS Glue Data Catalog. Kinesis Data Firehose then references that schema and uses it to interpret your input data. You can use the same schema to configure both Kinesis Data Firehose and your analytics software. For more information, see [Populating the AWS Glue Data Catalog](#) in the *AWS Glue Developer Guide*.
- **A serializer to convert the data to the target columnar storage format (Parquet or ORC)** – You can choose one of two types of serializers: [ORC SerDe](#) or [Parquet SerDe](#).

Important

If you enable record format conversion, you can't set your Kinesis Data Firehose destination to be Amazon Elasticsearch Service (Amazon ES), Amazon Redshift, or Splunk. With format conversion enabled, Amazon S3 is the only destination that you can use for your Kinesis Data Firehose delivery stream.

You can convert the format of your data even if you aggregate your records before sending them to Kinesis Data Firehose.

Choosing the JSON Deserializer

Choose the [OpenX JSON SerDe](#) if your input JSON contains time stamps in the following formats:

- `yyyy-MM-dd'T'HH:mm:ss[.S]'Z'`, where the fraction can have up to 9 digits – For example, `2017-02-07T15:13:01.39256Z`.

- yyyy-[M]M-[d]d HH:mm:ss[.S], where the fraction can have up to 9 digits – For example, 2017-02-07 15:13:01.14.
- Epoch seconds – For example, 1518033528.
- Epoch milliseconds – For example, 1518033528123.
- Floating point epoch seconds – For example, 1518033528.123.

The OpenX JSON SerDe can convert periods (.) to underscores (_). It can also convert JSON keys to lowercase before deserializing them. For more information about the options that are available with this deserializer through Kinesis Data Firehose, see [OpenXJsonSerDe](#).

If you're not sure which deserializer to choose, use the OpenX JSON SerDe, unless you have time stamps that it doesn't support.

If you have time stamps in formats other than those listed previously, use the [Apache Hive JSON SerDe](#). When you choose this deserializer, you can specify the time stamp formats to use. To do this, follow the pattern syntax of the Joda-Time `DateTimeFormat` format strings. For more information, see [Class DateTimeFormat](#).

You can also use the special value `millis` to parse time stamps in epoch milliseconds. If you don't specify a format, Kinesis Data Firehose uses `java.sql.Timestamp::valueOf` by default.

The Hive JSON SerDe doesn't allow the following:

- Periods (.) in column names.
- Fields whose type is `uniontype`.
- Fields that have numerical types in the schema, but that are strings in the JSON. For example, if the schema is (an int), and the JSON is { "a" : "123" }, the Hive SerDe gives an error.

The Hive SerDe doesn't convert nested JSON into strings. For example, if you have { "a" : { "inner" : 1 } }, it doesn't treat { "inner" : 1 } as a string.

Choosing the Serializer

The serializer that you choose depends on your business needs. To learn more about the two serializer options, see [ORC SerDe](#) and [Parquet SerDe](#).

Converting Input Record Format (Console)

You can enable data format conversion on the console when you create or update a Kinesis delivery stream. With data format conversion enabled, Amazon S3 is the only destination that you can configure for the delivery stream. Also, Amazon S3 compression gets disabled when you enable format conversion. However, Snappy compression happens automatically as part of the conversion process. The framing format for Snappy that Kinesis Data Firehose uses in this case is compatible with Hadoop. This means that you can use the results of the Snappy compression and run queries on this data in Athena. For the Snappy framing format that Hadoop relies on, see [BlockCompressorStream.java](#).

To enable data format conversion for a data delivery stream

1. Sign in to the AWS Management Console, and open the Kinesis Data Firehose console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/firehose/>.
2. Choose a Kinesis Data Firehose delivery stream to update, or create a new delivery stream by following the steps in [Creating an Amazon Kinesis Data Firehose Delivery Stream \(p. 5\)](#).

3. Under **Convert record format**, set **Record format conversion** to **Enabled**.
4. Choose the output format that you want. For more information about the two options, see [Apache Parquet](#) and [Apache ORC](#).
5. Choose an AWS Glue table to specify a schema for your source records. Set the Region, database, table, and table version.

Converting Input Record Format (API)

If you want Kinesis Data Firehose to convert the format of your input data from JSON to Parquet or ORC, specify the optional [DataFormatConversionConfiguration](#) element in [ExtendedS3DestinationConfiguration](#) or in [ExtendedS3DestinationUpdate](#). If you specify [DataFormatConversionConfiguration](#), the following restrictions apply:

- In [BufferingHints](#), you can't set `SizeInMBs` to a value less than 64 if you enable record format conversion. Also, when format conversion isn't enabled, the default value is 5. The value becomes 128 when you enable it.
- You must set `CompressionFormat` in [ExtendedS3DestinationConfiguration](#) or in [ExtendedS3DestinationUpdate](#) to `UNCOMPRESSED`. The default value for `CompressionFormat` is `UNCOMPRESSED`. Therefore, you can also leave it unspecified in [ExtendedS3DestinationConfiguration](#). The data still gets compressed as part of the serialization process, using Snappy compression by default. The framing format for Snappy that Kinesis Data Firehose uses in this case is compatible with Hadoop. This means that you can use the results of the Snappy compression and run queries on this data in Athena. For the Snappy framing format that Hadoop relies on, see [BlockCompressorStream.java](#). When you configure the serializer, you can choose other types of compression.

Record Format Conversion Error Handling

When Kinesis Data Firehose can't parse or deserialize a record (for example, when the data doesn't match the schema), it writes it to Amazon S3 with an error prefix. If this write fails, Kinesis Data Firehose retries it forever, blocking further delivery. For each failed record, Kinesis Data Firehose writes a JSON document with the following schema:

```
{
  "attemptsMade": long,
  "arrivalTimestamp": long,
  "lastErrorCode": string,
  "lastErrorMessage": string,
  "attemptEndingTimestamp": long,
  "rawData": string,
  "sequenceNumber": string,
  "subSequenceNumber": long,
  "dataCatalogTable": {
    "catalogId": string,
    "databaseName": string,
    "tableName": string,
    "region": string,
    "versionId": string,
    "catalogArn": string
  }
}
```

Using Amazon Kinesis Data Analytics

Create a Kinesis Data Analytics Application That Reads from a Delivery Stream

1. Sign in to the AWS Management Console and open the Kinesis Data Analytics console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/kinesisanalytics>.
2. Choose **Create application**.
3. Specify a name for the application and an optional description. Then choose **Create application**.
4. Choose **Connect streaming data**.
5. For **Source**, choose **Kinesis Firehose delivery stream**.
6. In the list labeled **Kinesis Firehose delivery stream**, choose the delivery stream that you want your Kinesis Data Analytics to process. Alternatively, choose **Create new** to set up a new delivery stream.
7. To finish setting up your Kinesis Data Analytics application, see [Getting Started with Amazon Kinesis Data Analytics for SQL Applications](#).

Write Data from a Kinesis Data Analytics Application to a Delivery Stream

1. To create a Kinesis Data Analytics application, follow the instructions under [Getting Started with Amazon Kinesis Data Analytics for SQL Applications](#).
2. Open the Kinesis Data Analytics console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/kinesisanalytics>.
3. In the list of application, choose the application that you want to configure to write to a delivery stream.
4. Choose **Application details**.
5. At the bottom of the page, choose **Connect to a destination**.
6. Choose **Kinesis Firehose delivery stream**, and then choose an existing delivery stream in the list or choose **Create new** to create a new delivery stream.

Amazon Kinesis Data Firehose Data Delivery

After data is sent to your delivery stream, it is automatically delivered to the destination you choose.

Important

If you use the Kinesis Producer Library (KPL) to write data to a Kinesis data stream, you can use aggregation to combine the records that you write to that Kinesis data stream. If you then use that data stream as a source for your Kinesis Data Firehose delivery stream, Kinesis Data Firehose de-aggregates the records before it delivers them to the destination. If you configure your delivery stream to transform the data, Kinesis Data Firehose de-aggregates the records before it delivers them to AWS Lambda. For more information, see [Developing Amazon Kinesis Data Streams Producers Using the Kinesis Producer Library](#) and [Aggregation](#) in the *Amazon Kinesis Data Streams Developer Guide*.

Topics

- [Data Delivery Format \(p. 34\)](#)
- [Data Delivery Frequency \(p. 35\)](#)
- [Data Delivery Failure Handling \(p. 35\)](#)
- [Amazon S3 Object Name Format \(p. 37\)](#)
- [Index Rotation for the Amazon ES Destination \(p. 37\)](#)

Data Delivery Format

For data delivery to Amazon Simple Storage Service (Amazon S3), Kinesis Data Firehose concatenates multiple incoming records based on the buffering configuration of your delivery stream. It then delivers the records to Amazon S3 as an Amazon S3 object. You might want to add a record separator at the end of each record before you send it to Kinesis Data Firehose. Then you can divide a delivered Amazon S3 object to individual records.

For data delivery to Amazon Redshift, Kinesis Data Firehose first delivers incoming data to your S3 bucket in the format described earlier. Kinesis Data Firehose then issues an Amazon Redshift **COPY** command to load the data from your S3 bucket to your Amazon Redshift cluster. Ensure that after Kinesis Data Firehose concatenates multiple incoming records to an Amazon S3 object, the Amazon S3 object can be copied to your Amazon Redshift cluster. For more information, see [Amazon Redshift COPY Command Data Format Parameters](#).

For data delivery to Amazon ES, Kinesis Data Firehose buffers incoming records based on the buffering configuration of your delivery stream. It then generates an Elasticsearch bulk request to index multiple records to your Elasticsearch cluster. Make sure that your record is UTF-8 encoded and flattened to a single-line JSON object before you send it to Kinesis Data Firehose. Also, the `rest.action.multi.allow_explicit_index` option for your Elasticsearch cluster must be set to `true` (default) to take bulk requests with an explicit index that is set per record. For more information, see [Amazon ES Configure Advanced Options](#) in the *Amazon Elasticsearch Service Developer Guide*.

For data delivery to Splunk, Kinesis Data Firehose concatenates the bytes that you send. If you want delimiters in your data, such as a new line character, you must insert them yourself. Make sure that Splunk is configured to parse any such delimiters.

Data Delivery Frequency

Each Kinesis Data Firehose destination has its own data delivery frequency.

Amazon S3

The frequency of data delivery to Amazon S3 is determined by the Amazon S3 **Buffer size** and **Buffer interval** value that you configured for your delivery stream. Kinesis Data Firehose buffers incoming data before it delivers it to Amazon S3. You can configure the values for Amazon S3 **Buffer size** (1–128 MB) or **Buffer interval** (60–900 seconds). The condition satisfied first triggers data delivery to Amazon S3. When data delivery to the destination falls behind data writing to the delivery stream, Kinesis Data Firehose raises the buffer size dynamically. It can then catch up and ensure that all data is delivered to the destination.

Amazon Redshift

The frequency of data **COPY** operations from Amazon S3 to Amazon Redshift is determined by how fast your Amazon Redshift cluster can finish the **COPY** command. If there is still data to copy, Kinesis Data Firehose issues a new **COPY** command as soon as the previous **COPY** command is successfully finished by Amazon Redshift.

Amazon Elasticsearch Service

The frequency of data delivery to Amazon ES is determined by the Elasticsearch **Buffer size** and **Buffer interval** values that you configured for your delivery stream. Kinesis Data Firehose buffers incoming data before delivering it to Amazon ES. You can configure the values for Elasticsearch **Buffer size** (1–100 MB) or **Buffer interval** (60–900 seconds), and the condition satisfied first triggers data delivery to Amazon ES.

Splunk

Kinesis Data Firehose buffers incoming data before delivering it to Splunk. The buffer size is 5 MB, and the buffer interval is 60 seconds. The condition satisfied first triggers data delivery to Splunk. The buffer size and interval aren't configurable. These numbers are optimal.

Data Delivery Failure Handling

Each Kinesis Data Firehose destination has its own data delivery failure handling.

Amazon S3

Data delivery to your S3 bucket might fail for various reasons. For example, the bucket might not exist anymore, the IAM role that Kinesis Data Firehose assumes might not have access to the bucket, the network failed, or similar events. Under these conditions, Kinesis Data Firehose keeps retrying for up to 24 hours until the delivery succeeds. The maximum data storage time of Kinesis Data Firehose is 24 hours. If data delivery fails for more than 24 hours, your data is lost.

Amazon Redshift

For an Amazon Redshift destination, you can specify a retry duration (0–7200 seconds) when creating a delivery stream.

Data delivery to your Amazon Redshift cluster might fail for several reasons. For example, you might have an incorrect cluster configuration of your delivery stream, a cluster under maintenance, or a network failure. Under these conditions, Kinesis Data Firehose retries for the specified time duration and skips that particular batch of Amazon S3 objects. The skipped objects' information is delivered to your S3 bucket as a manifest file in the `errors/` folder, which you can use for manual backfill. For information about how to COPY data manually with manifest files, see [Using a Manifest to Specify Data Files](#).


```
{
  "attemptsMade": "(number of index requests attempted)",
  "arrivalTimestamp": "(the time when the document was received by Firehose)",
  "errorCode": "(http error code returned by Elasticsearch)",
  "errorMessage": "(error message returned by Elasticsearch)",
  "attemptEndingTimestamp": "(the time when Firehose stopped attempting index request)",
  "esDocumentId": "(intended Elasticsearch document ID)",
  "esIndexName": "(intended Elasticsearch index name)",
  "esTypeName": "(intended Elasticsearch type name)",
  "rawData": "(base64-encoded document data)"
}
```

```
{
  "attemptsMade": 0,
  "arrivalTimestamp": 1506035354675,
  "errorCode": "Splunk.AckTimeout",
  "errorMessage": "Did not receive an acknowledgement from HEC before the HEC  
acknowledgement timeout expired. Despite the acknowledgement timeout, it's possible  
the data was indexed successfully in Splunk. Kinesis Firehose backs up in Amazon S3  
data for which the acknowledgement timeout expired.",
  "attemptEndingTimestamp": 13626284715507,
  "rawData":
    "MiAyNTEZmJyAyzIyMDkgZW5pLTA1ZjMyMmQlIDIxOC45Mi4xODguMjE0IDE3Mi4xNi4xLjE2NyAyNTIzMyAxNDMzIDYgMSAOM",
  "EventId": "49577193928114147339600778471082492393164139877200035842.0"
}
```

Amazon S3 Object Name Format

Kinesis Data Firehose adds a UTC time prefix in the format `YYYY/MM/DD/HH` before writing objects to Amazon S3. This prefix creates a logical hierarchy in the bucket, where each forward slash (/) creates a level in the hierarchy. You can modify this structure by specifying a custom prefix. For information about how to specify a custom prefix, see [Custom Amazon S3 Prefixes \(p. 38\)](#).

The Amazon S3 object name follows the pattern `DeliveryStreamName-DeliveryStreamVersion-YYYY-MM-DD-HH-MM-SS-RandomString`, where `DeliveryStreamVersion` begins with 1 and increases by 1 for every configuration change of the Kinesis Data Firehose delivery stream. You can change delivery stream configurations (for example, the name of the S3 bucket, buffering hints, compression, and encryption). You can do so by using the Kinesis Data Firehose console or the [UpdateDestination](#) API operation.

Index Rotation for the Amazon ES Destination

For the Amazon ES destination, you can specify a time-based index rotation option from one of the following five options: **NoRotation**, **OneHour**, **OneDay**, **OneWeek**, or **OneMonth**.

Depending on the rotation option you choose, Kinesis Data Firehose appends a portion of the UTC arrival timestamp to your specified index name. It rotates the appended timestamp accordingly. The following example shows the resulting index name in Amazon ES for each index rotation option, where the specified index name is **myindex** and the arrival timestamp is `2016-02-25T13:00:00Z`.

RotationPeriod	IndexName
NoRotation	myindex
OneHour	myindex-2016-02-25-13
OneDay	myindex-2016-02-25
OneWeek	myindex-2016-w08
OneMonth	myindex-2016-02

Custom Prefixes for Amazon S3 Objects

If your destination is Amazon S3, Amazon Elasticsearch Service, or Splunk, you can configure the Amazon S3 object keys used for delivering data from Kinesis Data Firehose. To do this, you specify expressions that Kinesis Data Firehose evaluates at delivery time. The final object keys have the format `<evaluated prefix><suffix>`, where the suffix has the format `<delivery stream name>-<delivery stream version>-<year>-<month>-<day>-<hour>-<minute>-<second>-<uuid><file extension>`. You can't change the suffix field.

You can use expressions of the following forms in your custom prefix: `!{namespace:value}`, where `namespace` can be either `firehose` or `timestamp`, as explained in the following sections.

If a prefix ends with a slash, it appears as a folder in the Amazon S3 bucket. For more information, see [Amazon S3 Object Name Format](#) in the *Amazon Kinesis Data Firehose Developer Guide*.

The timestamp namespace

Valid values for this namespace are strings that are valid [Java DateTimeFormatter](#) strings. As an example, in the year 2018, the expression `!{timestamp:yyyy}` evaluates to 2018.

When evaluating timestamps, Kinesis Data Firehose uses the approximate arrival timestamp of the oldest record that's contained in the Amazon S3 object being written.

The timestamp is always in UTC.

If you use the `timestamp` namespace more than once in the same prefix expression, every instance evaluates to the same instant in time.

The firehose namespace

There are two values that you can use with this namespace: `error-output-type` and `random-string`. The following table explains how to use them.

The firehose namespace values

Conversion	Description	Example input	Example output	Notes
<code>error-output-type</code>	Evaluates to one of the following strings, depending on the configuration of your delivery stream, and the reason of failure: <code>{processing-failed, elasticsearch-</code>	<code>myPrefix/ result=! {firehose:error- output-type}/! {timestamp:yyyy/ MM/dd}</code>	<code>myPrefix/ result=processing- failed/2018/08/01</code>	The <code>error-output-type</code> value can only be used in the <code>ErrorOutputPrefix</code> field.

Conversion	Description	Example input	Example output	Notes
	failed, splunk-failed, format-conversion-failed}. If you use it more than once in the same expression, every instance evaluates to the same error string..			
random-string	Evaluates to a random string of 11 characters. If you use it more than once in the same expression, every instance evaluates to a new random string.	myPrefix/{firehose:random-string}/	myPrefix/046b6c7f00b7	You can use it with both prefix types. You can place it at the beginning of the format string to get a randomized prefix, which is sometimes necessary for attaining extremely high throughput with Amazon S3.

Semantic rules

The following rules apply to `Prefix` and `ErrorOutputPrefix` expressions.

- For the `timestamp` namespace, any character that isn't in single quotes is evaluated. In other words, any string escaped with single quotes in the value field is taken literally.
- If you specify a prefix that doesn't contain a timestamp namespace expression, Kinesis Data Firehose appends the expression `!{timestamp:yyyy/MM/dd/HH/}` to the value in the `Prefix` field.
- The sequence `!{` can only appear in `!{namespace:value}` expressions.
- `ErrorOutputPrefix` can be null only if `Prefix` contains no expressions. In this case, `Prefix` evaluates to `<specified-prefix>YYYY/MM/DD/HH/` and `ErrorOutputPrefix` evaluates to `<specified-prefix><error-output-type>YYYY/MM/DD/HH/`.
- If you specify an expression for `ErrorOutputPrefix`, you must include at least one instance of `!{firehose:error-output-type}`.
- `Prefix` can't contain `!{firehose:error-output-type}`.
- Neither `Prefix` nor `ErrorOutputPrefix` can be greater than 512 characters after they're evaluated.
- If the destination is Amazon Redshift, `Prefix` must not contain expressions and `ErrorOutputPrefix` must be null.
- When the destination is Amazon Elasticsearch Service or Splunk, and no `ErrorOutputPrefix` is specified, Kinesis Data Firehose uses the `Prefix` field for failed records.
- When the destination is Amazon S3, and you specify an Amazon S3 backup configuration, the `Prefix` and `ErrorOutputPrefix` in the Amazon S3 destination configuration are used for successful records and failed records, respectively. In the Amazon S3 *backup* configuration, the `Prefix` is used for backing up the raw data, whereas the `ErrorOutputPrefix` is ignored.

Example prefixes

Prefix and ErrorOutputPrefix examples

Input	Evaluated prefix (at 10:30 AM UTC on Aug 27, 2018)
Prefix: Unspecified ErrorOutputPrefix: myFirehoseFailures/!{firehose:error-output-type}/	Prefix: 2018/08/10/ ErrorOutputPrefix: myFirehoseFailures/processing-failed/
Prefix: !{timestamp:yyyy/MM/dd} ErrorOutputPrefix: Unspecified	Invalid input: ErrorOutputPrefix can't be null when Prefix contains expressions
Prefix: myFirehose/DeliveredYear=!{timestamp:yyyy}/anyMonth/rand=!{firehose:random-string} ErrorOutputPrefix: myFirehoseFailures/!{firehose:error-output-type}/!{timestamp:yyyy}/anyMonth/!{timestamp:dd}	Prefix: myFirehose/DeliveredYear=2018/anyMonth/rand=5abf82daaa5 ErrorOutputPrefix: myFirehoseFailures/processing-failed/2018/anyMonth/10
Prefix: myPrefix/year=!{timestamp:yyyy}/month=!{timestamp:MM}/day=!{timestamp:dd}/hour=!{timestamp:HH}/ ErrorOutputPrefix: myErrorPrefix/!{timestamp:'year='yyyy'/month='MM'/day='dd'/hour='HH'}/!{firehose:error-output-type}	Prefix: myPrefix/year=2018/month=07/day=06/hour=23/ ErrorOutputPrefix: myErrorPrefix/year=2018/month=07/day=06/hour=23/processing-failed
Prefix: myFirehosePrefix ErrorOutputPrefix: Unspecified	Prefix: myFirehosePrefix/2018/08/27/ ErrorOutputPrefix: myFirehosePrefix/processing-failed/2018/08/27/

Using Server-Side Encryption with Amazon Kinesis Data Firehose

If you have sensitive data, you can enable server-side data encryption when you use Amazon Kinesis Data Firehose. How you do this depends on the source of your data.

Server-Side Encryption with Kinesis Data Streams as the Data Source

When you configure a Kinesis data stream as the data source of a Kinesis Data Firehose delivery stream, Kinesis Data Firehose no longer stores the data at rest. Instead, the data is stored in the data stream.

When you send data from your data producers to your data stream, Kinesis Data Streams encrypts your data using an AWS Key Management Service (AWS KMS) key before storing the data at rest. When your Kinesis Data Firehose delivery stream reads the data from your data stream, Kinesis Data Streams first decrypts the data and then sends it to Kinesis Data Firehose. Kinesis Data Firehose buffers the data in memory based on the buffering hints that you specify. It then delivers it to your destinations without storing the unencrypted data at rest.

For information about how to enable server-side encryption for Kinesis Data Streams, see [Using Server-Side Encryption](#) in the *Amazon Kinesis Data Streams Developer Guide*.

Server-Side Encryption with Direct PUT or Other Data Sources

If you send data to your delivery stream using [PutRecord](#) or [PutRecordBatch](#), or if you send the data using AWS IoT, Amazon CloudWatch Logs, or CloudWatch Events, you can turn on server-side encryption by using the [StartDeliveryStreamEncryption](#) operation.

To stop server-side-encryption, use the [StopDeliveryStreamEncryption](#) operation.

Using Amazon Kinesis Data Firehose with AWS PrivateLink

Interface VPC endpoints (AWS PrivateLink) for Kinesis Data Firehose

You can use an interface VPC endpoint to keep traffic between your Amazon VPC and Kinesis Data Firehose from leaving the Amazon network. Interface VPC endpoints don't require an internet gateway, NAT device, VPN connection, or AWS Direct Connect connection. Interface VPC endpoints are powered by AWS PrivateLink, an AWS technology that enables private communication between AWS services using an elastic network interface with private IPs in your Amazon VPC. For more information, see [Amazon Virtual Private Cloud](#).

Using interface VPC endpoints (AWS PrivateLink) for Kinesis Data Firehose

To get started, create an interface VPC endpoint in order for your Kinesis Data Firehose traffic from your Amazon VPC resources to start flowing through the interface VPC endpoint. When you create an endpoint, you can attach an endpoint policy to it that controls access to Kinesis Data Firehose. For more about using policies to control access from a VPC endpoint to Kinesis Data Firehose, see [Controlling Access to Services with VPC Endpoints](#).

The following example shows how you can set up an AWS Lambda function in a VPC and create a VPC endpoint to allow the function to communicate securely with the Kinesis Data Firehose service. In this example, you use a policy that allows the Lambda function to list the delivery streams in the current Region but not to describe any delivery stream.

Create a VPC endpoint

1. Sign in to the AWS Management Console and open the Amazon VPC console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/vpc/>.
2. In the VPC Dashboard choose **Endpoints**.
3. Choose **Create Endpoint**.
4. In the list of service names, choose `com.amazonaws.your_region.kinesis-firehose`.
5. Choose the VPC and one or more subnets in which to create the endpoint.
6. Choose one or more security groups to associate with the endpoint.
7. For **Policy**, choose **Custom** and paste the following policy:

```
{
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Sid": "Allow-only-specific-PrivateAPIs",
      "Principal": "*",
      "Action": [
        "firehose:ListDeliveryStreams"
      ]
    }
  ]
}
```

```
    ],
    "Effect": "Allow",
    "Resource": [
        "*"
    ]
  },
  {
    "Sid": "Allow-only-specific-PrivateAPIs",
    "Principal": "*",
    "Action": [
        "firehose:DescribeDeliveryStream"
    ],
    "Effect": "Deny",
    "Resource": [
        "*"
    ]
  }
]
```

8. Choose **Create endpoint**.

Create an IAM role to use with the Lambda function

1. Open the IAM console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/iam/>.
2. Choose **Create role**.
3. Under **Select type of trusted entity**, leave the default selection **AWS service**.
4. Under **Choose the service that will use this role**, choose **Lambda**.
5. Choose **Next: Permissions**.
6. In the list of policies, search for and add the two policies named **AWSLambdaVPCAccessExecutionRole** and **AmazonKinesisFirehoseFullAccess**.
7. Choose **Next: Tags**. You don't need to add tags for the purpose of this exercise. Choose **Next: Review**.
8. Enter a name for the role, then choose **Create role**.

Create a Lambda function inside the VPC

1. Open the AWS Lambda console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/lambda/>.
2. Choose **Create function**.
3. Choose **Author from scratch**.
4. Enter a name for the function, then set **Runtime** to Python 3.6.
5. Under **Permissions**, expand **Choose or create an execution role**.
6. In the **Execution role** list, choose **Use an existing role**.
7. In the **Existing role** list, choose the role you created above.
8. Choose **Create function**.
9. Under **Function code**, paste the following code.

```
import json
import boto3
import os
from botocore.exceptions import ClientError

def lambda_handler(event, context):
    REGION = os.environ['AWS_REGION']
    client = boto3.client(
```



```
        'firehose',
        REGION

    )
    print("Calling list_delivery_streams with ListDeliveryStreams allowed policy.")
    delivery_stream_request = client.list_delivery_streams()
    print("Successfully returned list_delivery_streams request %s." % (
        delivery_stream_request
    ))
    describe_access_denied = False
    try:
        print("Calling describe_delivery_stream with DescribeDeliveryStream denied
policy.")
        delivery_stream_info =
client.describe_delivery_stream(DeliveryStreamName='test-describe-denied')
    except ClientError as e:
        error_code = e.response['Error']['Code']
        print ("Caught %s." % (error_code))
        if error_code == 'AccessDeniedException':
            describe_access_denied = True

    if not describe_access_denied:
        raise
    else:
        print("Access denied test succeeded.")
```

10. Under **Basic settings**, set the timeout to 1 minute.
11. Under **Network**, choose the VPC where you created the endpoint above, then choose the subnets and security group that you associated with the endpoint when you created it.
12. Near the top of the page, choose **Save**.
13. Choose **Test**.
14. Enter an event name, then choose **Create**.
15. Choose **Test** again. This causes the function to run. After the execution result appears, expand **Details** and compare the log output to the function code. Successful results show a list of the delivery streams in the Region, as well as the following output:

Calling describe_delivery_stream.

AccessDeniedException

Access denied test succeeded.

Availability

Interface VPC endpoints are currently supported within the following Regions:

- Asia Pacific (Tokyo)
- Asia Pacific (Seoul)
- Asia Pacific (Mumbai)
- Asia Pacific (Singapore)
- Asia Pacific (Sydney)
- Canada (Central)
- EU (Frankfurt)
- EU (Ireland)
- EU (London)
- EU (Paris)

- US East (N. Virginia)
- US East (Ohio)
- US West (N. California)
- US West (Oregon)
- South America (São Paulo)
- China (Beijing)
- China (Ningxia)

Tagging Your Delivery Streams in Amazon Kinesis Data Firehose

You can assign your own metadata to delivery streams that you create in Amazon Kinesis Data Firehose in the form of *tags*. A tag is a key-value pair that you define for a stream. Using tags is a simple yet powerful way to manage AWS resources and organize data, including billing data.

Topics

- [Tag Basics \(p. 46\)](#)
- [Tracking Costs Using Tagging \(p. 46\)](#)
- [Tag Restrictions \(p. 47\)](#)
- [Tagging Delivery Streams Using the Amazon Kinesis Data Firehose API \(p. 47\)](#)

Tag Basics

You can use the Amazon Kinesis Data Firehose API to complete the following tasks:

- Add tags to a delivery stream.
- List the tags for your delivery streams.
- Remove tags from a delivery stream.

You can use tags to categorize your Kinesis Data Firehose delivery streams. For example, you can categorize delivery streams by purpose, owner, or environment. Because you define the key and value for each tag, you can create a custom set of categories to meet your specific needs. For example, you might define a set of tags that helps you track delivery streams by owner and associated application.

The following are several examples of tags:

- Project: *Project name*
- Owner: *Name*
- Purpose: Load testing
- Application: *Application name*
- Environment: Production

Tracking Costs Using Tagging

You can use tags to categorize and track your AWS costs. When you apply tags to your AWS resources, including Kinesis Data Firehose delivery streams, your AWS cost allocation report includes usage and costs aggregated by tags. You can organize your costs across multiple services by applying tags that represent business categories (such as cost centers, application names, or owners). For more information, see [Use Cost Allocation Tags for Custom Billing Reports](#) in the *AWS Billing and Cost Management User Guide*.

Tag Restrictions

The following restrictions apply to tags in Kinesis Data Firehose.

Basic restrictions

- The maximum number of tags per resource (stream) is 50.
- Tag keys and values are case-sensitive.
- You can't change or edit tags for a deleted stream.

Tag key restrictions

- Each tag key must be unique. If you add a tag with a key that's already in use, your new tag overwrites the existing key-value pair.
- You can't start a tag key with `aws:` because this prefix is reserved for use by AWS. AWS creates tags that begin with this prefix on your behalf, but you can't edit or delete them.
- Tag keys must be between 1 and 128 Unicode characters in length.
- Tag keys must consist of the following characters: Unicode letters, digits, white space, and the following special characters: `_ . / = + - @`.

Tag value restrictions

- Tag values must be between 0 and 255 Unicode characters in length.
- Tag values can be blank. Otherwise, they must consist of the following characters: Unicode letters, digits, white space, and any of the following special characters: `_ . / = + - @`.

Tagging Delivery Streams Using the Amazon Kinesis Data Firehose API

You can specify tags when you invoke [CreateDeliveryStream](#) to create a new delivery stream. For existing delivery streams, you can add, list, and remove tags using the following three operations:

- [TagDeliveryStream](#)
- [ListTagsForDeliveryStream](#)
- [UntagDeliveryStream](#)

Monitoring Amazon Kinesis Data Firehose

You can monitor Amazon Kinesis Data Firehose using the following features:

- [Amazon CloudWatch metrics \(p. 48\)](#)— Kinesis Data Firehose sends Amazon CloudWatch custom metrics with detailed monitoring for each delivery stream.
- [Amazon CloudWatch Logs \(p. 54\)](#)— Kinesis Data Firehose sends CloudWatch custom logs with detailed monitoring for each delivery stream.
- [Kinesis Agent \(p. 59\)](#)— Kinesis Agent publishes custom CloudWatch metrics to help assess whether the agent is working as expected.
- [API logging and history \(p. 60\)](#)— Kinesis Data Firehose uses AWS CloudTrail to log API calls and store the data in an Amazon S3 bucket, and to maintain API call history.

Monitoring Kinesis Data Firehose Using CloudWatch Metrics

Kinesis Data Firehose integrates with Amazon CloudWatch metrics so that you can collect, view, and analyze CloudWatch metrics for your Kinesis Data Firehose delivery streams. For example, you can monitor the `IncomingBytes` and `IncomingRecords` metrics to keep track of data ingested into Kinesis Data Firehose from data producers.

The metrics that you configure for your Kinesis Data Firehose delivery streams and agents are automatically collected and pushed to CloudWatch every five minutes. Metrics are archived for two weeks; after that period, the data is discarded.

The metrics collected for Kinesis Data Firehose delivery streams are free of charge. For information about Kinesis agent metrics, see [Monitoring Kinesis Agent Health \(p. 59\)](#).

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- [Service-level CloudWatch Metrics \(p. 48\)](#)
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Service-level CloudWatch Metrics

The `AWS/Firehose` namespace includes the following service-level metrics.

Metric	Description
<code>BackupToS3.Bytes</code>	<p>The number of bytes delivered to Amazon S3 for backup over the specified time period. Kinesis Data Firehose emits this metric when data transformation is enabled for Amazon S3 or Amazon Redshift destinations.</p> <p>Units: Bytes</p>
<code>BackupToS3.DataFreshness</code>	<p>Age (from getting into Kinesis Data Firehose to now) of the oldest record in Kinesis Data Firehose. Any record older than this age has been delivered to the Amazon S3 bucket for backup. Kinesis Data Firehose emits this metric when data transformation is enabled for Amazon S3 or Amazon Redshift destinations.</p> <p>Units: Seconds</p>
<code>BackupToS3.Records</code>	<p>The number of records delivered to Amazon S3 for backup over the specified time period. Kinesis Data Firehose emits this metric when data transformation is enabled for Amazon S3 or Amazon Redshift destinations.</p> <p>Units: Count</p>
<code>BackupToS3.Success</code>	<p>Sum of successful Amazon S3 put commands for backup over sum of all Amazon S3 backup put commands. Kinesis Data Firehose emits this metric when data transformation is enabled for Amazon S3 or Amazon Redshift destinations.</p>
<code>DataReadFromKinesisStream.Bytes</code>	<p>When the data source is a Kinesis data stream, this metric indicates the number of bytes read from that data stream. This number includes rereads due to failovers.</p> <p>Units: Bytes</p>
<code>DataReadFromKinesisStream.Records</code>	<p>When the data source is a Kinesis data stream, this metric indicates the number of records read from that data stream. This number includes rereads due to failovers.</p> <p>Units: Count</p>
<code>DeliveryToElasticsearch.Bytes</code>	<p>The number of bytes indexed to Amazon ES over the specified time period.</p> <p>Units: Bytes</p>
<code>DeliveryToElasticsearch.Records</code>	<p>The number of records indexed to Amazon ES over the specified time period.</p> <p>Units: Count</p>
<code>DeliveryToElasticsearch.Success</code>	<p>The sum of the successfully indexed records over the sum of records that were attempted.</p>
<code>DeliveryToRedshift.Bytes</code>	<p>The number of bytes copied to Amazon Redshift over the specified time period.</p> <p>Units: Bytes</p>

Metric	Description
<code>DeliveryToRedshift.Records</code>	The number of records copied to Amazon Redshift over the specified time period. Units: Count
<code>DeliveryToRedshift.Success</code>	The sum of successful Amazon Redshift COPY commands over the sum of all Amazon Redshift COPY commands.
<code>DeliveryToS3.Bytes</code>	The number of bytes delivered to Amazon S3 over the specified time period. Units: Bytes
<code>DeliveryToS3.DataFreshness</code>	The age (from getting into Kinesis Data Firehose to now) of the oldest record in Kinesis Data Firehose. Any record older than this age has been delivered to the S3 bucket. Units: Seconds
<code>DeliveryToS3.Records</code>	The number of records delivered to Amazon S3 over the specified time period. Units: Count
<code>DeliveryToS3.Success</code>	The sum of successful Amazon S3 put commands over the sum of all Amazon S3 put commands.
<code>DeliveryToSplunk.Bytes</code>	The number of bytes delivered to Splunk over the specified time period. Units: Bytes
<code>DeliveryToSplunk.DataAckLatency</code>	The approximate duration it takes to receive an acknowledgement from Splunk after Kinesis Data Firehose sends it data. The increasing or decreasing trend for this metric is more useful than the absolute approximate value. Increasing trends can indicate slower indexing and acknowledgement rates from Splunk indexers. Units: Seconds
<code>DeliveryToSplunk.DataFreshness</code>	Age (from getting into Kinesis Data Firehose to now) of the oldest record in Kinesis Data Firehose. Any record older than this age has been delivered to Splunk. Units: Seconds
<code>DeliveryToSplunk.Records</code>	The number of records delivered to Splunk over the specified time period. Units: Count
<code>DeliveryToSplunk.Success</code>	The sum of the successfully indexed records over the sum of records that were attempted.

Metric	Description
IncomingBytes	The number of bytes ingested into the Kinesis Data Firehose stream over the specified time period. Units: Bytes
IncomingRecords	The number of records ingested into the Kinesis Data Firehose stream over the specified time period. Units: Count
KinesisMillisBehindLatest	When the data source is a Kinesis data stream, this metric indicates the number of milliseconds that the last read record is behind the newest record in the Kinesis data stream. Units: Millisecond

API-Level CloudWatch Metrics

The AWS/Firehose namespace includes the following API-level metrics.

Metric	Description
DescribeDeliveryStream.Latency	The time taken per DescribeDeliveryStream operation, measured over the specified time period. Units: Milliseconds
DescribeDeliveryStream.Requests	The total number of DescribeDeliveryStream requests. Units: Count
ListDeliveryStreams.Latency	The time taken per ListDeliveryStream operation, measured over the specified time period. Units: Milliseconds
ListDeliveryStreams.Requests	The total number of ListFirehose requests. Units: Count
PutRecord.Bytes	The number of bytes put to the Kinesis Data Firehose delivery stream using PutRecord over the specified time period. Units: Bytes
PutRecord.Latency	The time taken per PutRecord operation, measured over the specified time period. Units: Milliseconds
PutRecord.Requests	The total number of PutRecord requests, which is equal to total number of records from PutRecord operations. Units: Count

Metric	Description
<code>PutRecordBatch.Bytes</code>	The number of bytes put to the Kinesis Data Firehose delivery stream using <code>PutRecordBatch</code> over the specified time period. Units: Bytes
<code>PutRecordBatch.Latency</code>	The time taken per <code>PutRecordBatch</code> operation, measured over the specified time period. Units: Milliseconds
<code>PutRecordBatch.Records</code>	The total number of records from <code>PutRecordBatch</code> operations. Units: Count
<code>PutRecordBatch.Requests</code>	The total number of <code>PutRecordBatch</code> requests. Units: Count
<code>ThrottledDescribeStream</code>	The total number of times the <code>DescribeStream</code> operation is throttled when the data source is a Kinesis data stream. Units: Count
<code>ThrottledGetRecords</code>	The total number of times the <code>GetRecords</code> operation is throttled when the data source is a Kinesis data stream. Units: Count
<code>ThrottledGetShardIterator</code>	The total number of times the <code>GetShardIterator</code> operation is throttled when the data source is a Kinesis data stream. Units: Count
<code>UpdateDeliveryStream.Latency</code>	The time taken per <code>UpdateDeliveryStream</code> operation, measured over the specified time period. Units: Milliseconds
<code>UpdateDeliveryStream.Requests</code>	The total number of <code>UpdateDeliveryStream</code> requests. Units: Count

Data Transformation CloudWatch Metrics

If data transformation with Lambda is enabled, the `AWS/Firehose` namespace includes the following metrics.

Metric	Description
<code>ExecuteProcessing.Durations</code>	The time it takes for each Lambda function invocation performed by Kinesis Data Firehose. Units: Milliseconds

Metric	Description
ExecuteProcessing.Succeeded	The sum of the successful Lambda function invocations over the sum of the total Lambda function invocations.
SucceedProcessing.Records	The number of successfully processed records over the specified time period. Units: Count
SucceedProcessing.Bytes	The number of successfully processed bytes over the specified time period. Units: Bytes

Format Conversion CloudWatch Metrics

If format conversion is enabled, the `AWS/Firehose` namespace includes the following metrics.

Metric	Description
SucceedConversion.Records	The number of successfully converted records. Units: Count
SucceedConversion.Bytes	The size of the successfully converted records. Units: Bytes
FailedConversion.Records	The number of records that could not be converted. Units: Count
FailedConversion.Bytes	The size of the records that could not be converted. Units: Bytes

Dimensions for Kinesis Data Firehose

To filter metrics by delivery stream, use the `DeliveryStreamName` dimension.

Accessing CloudWatch Metrics for Kinesis Data Firehose

You can monitor metrics for Kinesis Data Firehose using the CloudWatch console, command line, or CloudWatch API. The following procedures show you how to access metrics using these different methods.

To access metrics using the CloudWatch console

1. Open the CloudWatch console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/cloudwatch/>.
2. On the navigation bar, choose a region.
3. In the navigation pane, choose **Metrics**.
4. Choose the **Firehose** namespace.

5. Choose **Delivery Stream Metrics** or **Firehose Metrics**.
6. Select a metric to add to the graph.

To access metrics using the AWS CLI

Use the [list-metrics](#) and [get-metric-statistics](#) commands.

```
aws cloudwatch list-metrics --namespace "AWS/Firehose"
```

```
aws cloudwatch get-metric-statistics --namespace "AWS/Firehose" \  
--metric-name DescribeDeliveryStream.Latency --statistics Average --period 3600 \  
--start-time 2017-06-01T00:00:00Z --end-time 2017-06-30T00:00:00Z
```

Monitoring Kinesis Data Firehose Using CloudWatch Logs

Kinesis Data Firehose integrates with Amazon CloudWatch Logs so that you can view the specific error logs when the Lambda invocation for data transformation or data delivery fails. You can enable Kinesis Data Firehose error logging when you create your delivery stream.

If you enable Kinesis Data Firehose error logging in the Kinesis Data Firehose console, a log group and corresponding log streams are created for the delivery stream on your behalf. The format of the log group name is `/aws/kinesisfirehose/delivery-stream-name`, where *delivery-stream-name* is the name of the corresponding delivery stream. The log stream name is **S3Delivery**, **RedshiftDelivery**, or **ElasticsearchDelivery**, depending on the delivery destination. Lambda invocation errors for data transformation are also logged to the log stream used for data delivery errors.

For example, if you create a delivery stream "MyStream" with Amazon Redshift as the destination and enable Kinesis Data Firehose error logging, the following are created on your behalf: a log group named `aws/kinesisfirehose/MyStream` and two log streams named **S3Delivery** and **RedshiftDelivery**. In this example, the **S3Delivery** log stream is used for logging errors related to delivery failure to the intermediate S3 bucket. The **RedshiftDelivery** log stream is used for logging errors related to Lambda invocation failure and delivery failure to your Amazon Redshift cluster.

If you enable Kinesis Data Firehose error logging through the AWS CLI or an AWS SDK using the `CloudWatchLoggingOptions` configuration, you must create a log group and a log stream in advance. We recommend reserving that log group and log stream for Kinesis Data Firehose error logging exclusively. Also ensure that the associated IAM policy has `"logs:putLogEvents"` permission. For more information, see [Controlling Access with Amazon Kinesis Data Firehose](#) (p. 65).

Note that Kinesis Data Firehose does not guarantee that all delivery error logs are sent to CloudWatch Logs. In circumstances where delivery failure rate is high, Kinesis Data Firehose samples delivery error logs before sending them to CloudWatch Logs.

There is a nominal charge for error logs sent to CloudWatch Logs. For more information, see [Amazon CloudWatch Pricing](#).

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Data Delivery Errors

The following is a list of data delivery error codes and messages for each Kinesis Data Firehose destination. Each error message also describes the proper action to take to fix the issue.

Errors

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Amazon S3 Data Delivery Errors

Kinesis Data Firehose can send the following Amazon S3-related errors to CloudWatch Logs.

Error Code	Error Message and Information
<code>S3.KMS.NotFoundException</code>	"The provided AWS KMS key was not found. If you are using what you believe to be a valid AWS KMS key with the correct role, check if there is a problem with the account to which the AWS KMS key is attached."
<code>S3.KMS.RequestLimitExceeded</code>	"The KMS request per second limit was exceeded while attempting to encrypt S3 objects. Increase the request per second limit." For more information, see Limits in the <i>AWS Key Management Service Developer Guide</i> .
<code>S3.AccessDenied</code>	"Access was denied. Ensure that the trust policy for the provided IAM role allows Kinesis Data Firehose to assume the role, and the access policy allows access to the S3 bucket."
<code>S3.AccountProblem</code>	"There is a problem with your AWS account that prevents the operation from completing successfully. Contact AWS Support."
<code>S3.AllAccessDisabled</code>	"Access to the account provided has been disabled. Contact AWS Support."
<code>S3.InvalidPayer</code>	"Access to the account provided has been disabled. Contact AWS Support."
<code>S3.NotSignedUp</code>	"The account is not signed up for Amazon S3. Sign the account up or use a different account."
<code>S3.NoSuchBucket</code>	"The specified bucket does not exist. Create the bucket or use a different bucket that does exist."
<code>S3.MethodNotAllowed</code>	"The specified method is not allowed against this resource. Modify the bucket's policy to allow the correct Amazon S3 operation permissions."
<code>InternalError</code>	"An internal error occurred while attempting to deliver data. Delivery will be retried; if the error persists, then it will be reported to AWS for resolution."

Amazon Redshift Data Delivery Errors

Kinesis Data Firehose can send the following Amazon Redshift-related errors to CloudWatch Logs.

Error Code	Error Message and Information
Redshift.TableNotFound	<p>The table to which to load data was not found. Ensure that the specified table exists.</p> <p>The destination table in Amazon Redshift to which data should be copied from S3 was not found. Note that Kinesis Data Firehose does not create the Amazon Redshift table if it does not exist.</p>
Redshift.SyntaxError	"The COPY command contains a syntax error. Retry the command."
Redshift.AuthenticationError	"The provided user name and password failed authentication. Provide a valid user name and password."
Redshift.AccessDenied	"Access was denied. Ensure that the trust policy for the provided IAM role allows Kinesis Data Firehose to assume the role."
Redshift.S3BucketAccessError	"The COPY command was unable to access the S3 bucket. Ensure that the access policy for the provided IAM role allows access to the S3 bucket."
Redshift.DataLoadFailed	"Loading data into the table failed. Check STL_LOAD_ERRORS system table for details."
Redshift.ColumnNotFound	"A column in the COPY command does not exist in the table. Specify a valid column name."
Redshift.DatabaseNotFound	"The database specified in the Amazon Redshift destination configuration or JDBC URL was not found. Specify a valid database name."
Redshift.IncorrectCopyOptions	<p>Conflicting or redundant COPY options were provided. Some options are not compatible in certain combinations. Check the COPY command reference for more info.</p> <p>For more information, see the Amazon Redshift COPY command in the <i>Amazon Redshift Database Developer Guide</i>.</p>
Redshift.MissingColumn	"There is a column defined in the table schema as NOT NULL without a DEFAULT value and not included in the column list. Exclude this column, ensure that the loaded data always provides a value for this column, or add a default value to the Amazon Redshift schema for this table."
Redshift.ConnectionFailed	"The connection to the specified Amazon Redshift cluster failed. Ensure that security settings allow Kinesis Data Firehose connections, that the cluster or database specified in the Amazon Redshift destination configuration or JDBC URL is correct, and that the cluster is available."
Redshift.ColumnMismatch	"The number of jsonpaths in the COPY command and the number of columns in the destination table should match. Retry the command."
Redshift.IncorrectRegion	"Amazon Redshift attempted to use the wrong region endpoint for accessing the S3 bucket. Either specify a correct region value in the COPY command options or ensure that the S3 bucket is in the same region as the Amazon Redshift database."
Redshift.IncorrectJsonPathsFile	"The provided jsonpaths file is not in a supported JSON format. Retry the command."
Redshift.MissingS3Files	"One or more S3 files required by Amazon Redshift have been removed from the S3 bucket. Check the S3 bucket policies to remove any automatic deletion of S3 files."

Error Code	Error Message and Information
Redshift.InsufficientPrivileges	"The user does not have permissions to load data into the table. Check the Amazon Redshift user permissions for the INSERT privilege."
Redshift.ReadOnlyCluster	"The query cannot be executed because the system is in resize mode. Try the query again later."
Redshift.DiskFull	"Data could not be loaded because the disk is full. Increase the capacity of the Amazon Redshift cluster or delete unused data to free disk space."
InternalError	"An internal error occurred while attempting to deliver data. Delivery will be retried; if the error persists, then it will be reported to AWS for resolution."

Splunk Data Delivery Errors

Kinesis Data Firehose can send the following Splunk-related errors to CloudWatch Logs.

Error Code	Error Message and Information
Splunk.ProxyWithoutStickySessions	"If you have a proxy (ELB or other) between Kinesis Data Firehose and the HEC node, you must enable sticky sessions to support HEC ACKs."
Splunk.DisabledToken	"The HEC token is disabled. Enable the token to allow data delivery to Splunk."
Splunk.InvalidToken	"The HEC token is invalid. Update Kinesis Data Firehose with a valid HEC token."
Splunk.InvalidDataFormat	"The data is not formatted correctly. To see how to properly format data for Raw or Event HEC endpoints, see Splunk Event Data ."
Splunk.InvalidIndex	"The HEC token or input is configured with an invalid index. Check your index configuration and try again."
Splunk.ServerError	"Data delivery to Splunk failed due to a server error from the HEC node. Kinesis Data Firehose will retry sending the data if the retry duration in your Kinesis Data Firehose is greater than 0. If all the retries fail, Kinesis Data Firehose backs up the data to Amazon S3."
Splunk.DisabledAck	"Indexer acknowledgement is disabled for the HEC token. Enable indexer acknowledgement and try again. For more info, see Enable indexer acknowledgement ."
Splunk.AckTimeout	"Did not receive an acknowledgement from HEC before the HEC acknowledgement timeout expired. Despite the acknowledgement timeout, it's possible the data was indexed successfully in Splunk. Kinesis Data Firehose backs up in Amazon S3 data for which the acknowledgement timeout expired."
Splunk.MaxRetriesFailed	"Failed to deliver data to Splunk or to receive acknowledgment. Check your HEC health and try again."
Splunk.ConnectionTimeout	"The connection to Splunk timed out. This might be a transient error and the request will be retried. Kinesis Data Firehose backs up the data to Amazon S3 if all retries fail."

Error Code	Error Message and Information
<code>Splunk.InvalidEndpoint</code>	"Could not connect to the HEC endpoint. Make sure that the HEC endpoint URL is valid and reachable from Kinesis Data Firehose."
<code>Splunk.ConnectionClosed</code>	"Unable to send data to Splunk due to a connection failure. This might be a transient error. Increasing the retry duration in your Kinesis Data Firehose configuration might guard against such transient failures."
<code>Splunk.SSLUnverified</code>	"Could not connect to the HEC endpoint. The host does not match the certificate provided by the peer. Make sure that the certificate and the host are valid."
<code>Splunk.SSLHandshake</code>	"Could not connect to the HEC endpoint. Make sure that the certificate and the host are valid."

Amazon Elasticsearch Service Data Delivery Errors

For the Amazon ES destination, Kinesis Data Firehose sends errors to CloudWatch Logs as they are returned by Elasticsearch.

Lambda Invocation Errors

Kinesis Data Firehose can send the following Lambda invocation errors to CloudWatch Logs.

Error Code	Error Message and Information
<code>Lambda.AssumeRoleAccessDenied</code>	"Access was denied. Ensure that the trust policy for the provided IAM role allows Kinesis Data Firehose to assume the role."
<code>Lambda.InvokeAccessDenied</code>	"Access was denied. Ensure that the access policy allows access to the Lambda function."
<code>Lambda.JsonProcessingError</code>	"There was an error parsing returned records from the Lambda function. Ensure that the returned records follow the status model required by Kinesis Data Firehose." For more information, see Data Transformation and Status Model (p. 27) .
<code>Lambda.InvokeLimitExceeded</code>	"The Lambda concurrent execution limit is exceeded. Increase the concurrent execution limit." For more information, see AWS Lambda Limits in the <i>AWS Lambda Developer Guide</i> .
<code>Lambda.DuplicatedRecords</code>	"Multiple records were returned with the same record ID. Ensure that the Lambda function returns unique record IDs for each record." For more information, see Data Transformation and Status Model (p. 27) .
<code>Lambda.MissingRecords</code>	"One or more record IDs were not returned. Ensure that the Lambda function returns all received record IDs." For more information, see Data Transformation and Status Model (p. 27) .
<code>Lambda.ResourceNotFound</code>	"The specified Lambda function does not exist. Use a different function that does exist."

Error Code	Error Message and Information
Lambda.InvalidSubnetID	"The specified subnet ID in the Lambda function VPC configuration is invalid. Ensure that the subnet ID is valid."
Lambda.InvalidSecurityGroupID	"The specified security group ID in the Lambda function VPC configuration is invalid. Ensure that the security group ID is valid."
Lambda.SubnetIPAddressLimitExceeded	<p>"AWS Lambda was not able to set up the VPC access for the Lambda function because one or more configured subnets have no available IP addresses. Increase the IP address limit."</p> <p>For more information, see Amazon VPC Limits - VPC and Subnets in the <i>Amazon VPC User Guide</i>.</p>
Lambda.ENILimitReached	<p>"AWS Lambda was not able to create an Elastic Network Interface (ENI) in the VPC, specified as part of the Lambda function configuration, because the limit for network interfaces has been reached. Increase the network interface limit."</p> <p>For more information, see Amazon VPC Limits - Network Interfaces in the <i>Amazon VPC User Guide</i>.</p>

Accessing CloudWatch Logs for Kinesis Data Firehose

You can view the error logs related to Kinesis Data Firehose data delivery failure using the Kinesis Data Firehose console or the CloudWatch console. The following procedures show you how to access error logs using these two methods.

To access error logs using the Kinesis Data Firehose console

1. Sign in to the AWS Management Console and open the Kinesis console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/kinesis>.
2. Choose **Data Firehose** in the navigation pane.
3. On the navigation bar, choose an AWS Region.
4. Choose a delivery stream name to go to the delivery stream details page.
5. Choose **Error Log** to view a list of error logs related to data delivery failure.

To access error logs using the CloudWatch console

1. Open the CloudWatch console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/cloudwatch/>.
2. On the navigation bar, choose a Region.
3. In the navigation pane, choose **Logs**.
4. Choose a log group and log stream to view a list of error logs related to data delivery failure.

Monitoring Kinesis Agent Health

Kinesis Agent publishes custom CloudWatch metrics with a namespace of **AWSKinesisAgent**. It helps assess whether the agent is healthy, submitting data into Kinesis Data Firehose as specified, and consuming the appropriate amount of CPU and memory resources on the data producer.

Metrics such as number of records and bytes sent are useful to understand the rate at which the agent is submitting data to the Kinesis Data Firehose delivery stream. When these metrics fall below expected

thresholds by some percentage or drop to zero, it could indicate configuration issues, network errors, or agent health issues. Metrics such as on-host CPU and memory consumption and agent error counters indicate data producer resource usage, and provide insights into potential configuration or host errors. Finally, the agent also logs service exceptions to help investigate agent issues.

The agent metrics are reported in the region specified in the agent configuration setting `cloudwatch.endpoint`. For more information, see [Agent Configuration Settings \(p. 18\)](#).

There is a nominal charge for metrics emitted from Kinesis Agent, which are enabled by default. For more information, see [Amazon CloudWatch Pricing](#).

Monitoring with CloudWatch

Kinesis Agent sends the following metrics to CloudWatch.

Metric	Description
<code>BytesSent</code>	The number of bytes sent to the Kinesis Data Firehose delivery stream over the specified time period. Units: Bytes
<code>RecordSendAttempts</code>	The number of records attempted (either first time, or as a retry) in a call to <code>PutRecordBatch</code> over the specified time period. Units: Count
<code>RecordSendErrors</code>	The number of records that returned failure status in a call to <code>PutRecordBatch</code> , including retries, over the specified time period. Units: Count
<code>ServiceErrors</code>	The number of calls to <code>PutRecordBatch</code> that resulted in a service error (other than a throttling error) over the specified time period. Units: Count

Logging Kinesis Data Firehose API Calls with AWS CloudTrail

Amazon Kinesis Data Firehose is integrated with AWS CloudTrail, a service that provides a record of actions taken by a user, role, or an AWS service in Kinesis Data Firehose. CloudTrail captures all API calls for Kinesis Data Firehose as events. The calls captured include calls from the Kinesis Data Firehose console and code calls to the Kinesis Data Firehose API operations. If you create a trail, you can enable continuous delivery of CloudTrail events to an Amazon S3 bucket, including events for Kinesis Data Firehose. If you don't configure a trail, you can still view the most recent events in the CloudTrail console in **Event history**. Using the information collected by CloudTrail, you can determine the request that was made to Kinesis Data Firehose, the IP address from which the request was made, who made the request, when it was made, and additional details.

To learn more about CloudTrail, including how to configure and enable it, see the [AWS CloudTrail User Guide](#).

Kinesis Data Firehose Information in CloudTrail

CloudTrail is enabled on your AWS account when you create the account. When supported event activity occurs in Kinesis Data Firehose, that activity is recorded in a CloudTrail event along with other AWS service events in **Event history**. You can view, search, and download recent events in your AWS account. For more information, see [Viewing Events with CloudTrail Event History](#).

For an ongoing record of events in your AWS account, including events for Kinesis Data Firehose, create a trail. A *trail* enables CloudTrail to deliver log files to an Amazon S3 bucket. By default, when you create a trail in the console, the trail applies to all AWS Regions. The trail logs events from all Regions in the AWS partition and delivers the log files to the Amazon S3 bucket that you specify. Additionally, you can configure other AWS services to further analyze and act upon the event data collected in CloudTrail logs. For more information, see the following:

- [Overview for Creating a Trail](#)
- [CloudTrail Supported Services and Integrations](#)
- [Configuring Amazon SNS Notifications for CloudTrail](#)
- [Receiving CloudTrail Log Files from Multiple Regions](#) and [Receiving CloudTrail Log Files from Multiple Accounts](#)

Kinesis Data Firehose supports logging the following actions as events in CloudTrail log files:

- [CreateDeliveryStream](#)
- [DeleteDeliveryStream](#)
- [DescribeDeliveryStream](#)
- [ListDeliveryStreams](#)
- [ListTagsForDeliveryStream](#)
- [TagDeliveryStream](#)
- [StartDeliveryStreamEncryption](#)
- [StopDeliveryStreamEncryption](#)
- [UntagDeliveryStream](#)
- [UpdateDestination](#)

Every event or log entry contains information about who generated the request. The identity information helps you determine the following:

- Whether the request was made with root or AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) user credentials.
- Whether the request was made with temporary security credentials for a role or federated user.
- Whether the request was made by another AWS service.

For more information, see the [CloudTrail userIdentity Element](#).

Example: Kinesis Data Firehose Log File Entries

A trail is a configuration that enables delivery of events as log files to an Amazon S3 bucket that you specify. CloudTrail log files contain one or more log entries. An event represents a single request from any source and includes information about the requested action, the date and time of the action, request parameters, and so on. CloudTrail log files aren't an ordered stack trace of the public API calls, so they don't appear in any specific order.

The following example shows a CloudTrail log entry that demonstrates the `CreateDeliveryStream`, `DescribeDeliveryStream`, `ListDeliveryStreams`, `UpdateDestination`, and `DeleteDeliveryStream` actions.

```
{
  "Records": [
    {
      "eventVersion": "1.02",
      "userIdentity": {
        "type": "IAMUser",
        "principalId": "AKIAIOSFODNN7EXAMPLE",
        "arn": "arn:aws:iam::111122223333:user/CloudTrail_Test_User",
        "accountId": "111122223333",
        "accessKeyId": "AKIAI44QH8DHBEXAMPLE",
        "userName": "CloudTrail_Test_User"
      },
      "eventTime": "2016-02-24T18:08:22Z",
      "eventSource": "firehose.amazonaws.com",
      "eventName": "CreateDeliveryStream",
      "awsRegion": "us-east-1",
      "sourceIPAddress": "127.0.0.1",
      "userAgent": "aws-internal/3",
      "requestParameters": {
        "deliveryStreamName": "TestRedshiftStream",
        "redshiftDestinationConfiguration": {
          "s3Configuration": {
            "compressionFormat": "GZIP",
            "prefix": "prefix",
            "bucketARN": "arn:aws:s3:::firehose-cloudtrail-test-bucket",
            "roleARN": "arn:aws:iam::111122223333:role/Firehose",
            "bufferingHints": {
              "sizeInMBs": 3,
              "intervalInSeconds": 900
            },
            "encryptionConfiguration": {
              "kMSEncryptionConfig": {
                "aWSKMSKeyARN": "arn:aws:kms:us-east-1:key"
              }
            }
          },
          "clusterJDBCURL": "jdbc:redshift://example.abc123.us-west-2.redshift.amazonaws.com:5439/dev",
          "copyCommand": {
            "copyOptions": "copyOptions",
            "dataTableName": "dataTable"
          },
          "password": "",
          "username": "",
          "roleARN": "arn:aws:iam::111122223333:role/Firehose"
        }
      },
      "responseElements": {
        "deliveryStreamARN": "arn:aws:firehose:us-east-1:111122223333:deliverystream/TestRedshiftStream"
      },
      "requestID": "958abf6a-db21-11e5-bb88-91ae9617edf5",
      "eventID": "875d2d68-476c-4ad5-bbc6-d02872cfc884",
      "eventType": "AwsApiCall",
      "recipientAccountId": "111122223333"
    },
    {
      "eventVersion": "1.02",
      "userIdentity": {
        "type": "IAMUser",
        "principalId": "AKIAIOSFODNN7EXAMPLE",
```

```
        "arn": "arn:aws:iam::111122223333:user/CloudTrail_Test_User",
        "accountId": "111122223333",
        "accessKeyId": "AKIAI44QH8DHBEXAMPLE",
        "userName": "CloudTrail_Test_User"
    },
    "eventTime": "2016-02-24T18:08:54Z",
    "eventSource": "firehose.amazonaws.com",
    "eventName": "DescribeDeliveryStream",
    "awsRegion": "us-east-1",
    "sourceIPAddress": "127.0.0.1",
    "userAgent": "aws-internal/3",
    "requestParameters": {
        "deliveryStreamName": "TestRedshiftStream"
    },
    "responseElements": null,
    "requestID": "aa6ea5ed-db21-11e5-bb88-91ae9617edf5",
    "eventID": "d9b285d8-d690-4d5c-b9fe-d1ad5ab03f14",
    "eventType": "AwsApiCall",
    "recipientAccountId": "111122223333"
},
{
    "eventVersion": "1.02",
    "userIdentity": {
        "type": "IAMUser",
        "principalId": "AKIAIOSFODNN7EXAMPLE",
        "arn": "arn:aws:iam::111122223333:user/CloudTrail_Test_User",
        "accountId": "111122223333",
        "accessKeyId": "AKIAI44QH8DHBEXAMPLE",
        "userName": "CloudTrail_Test_User"
    },
    "eventTime": "2016-02-24T18:10:00Z",
    "eventSource": "firehose.amazonaws.com",
    "eventName": "ListDeliveryStreams",
    "awsRegion": "us-east-1",
    "sourceIPAddress": "127.0.0.1",
    "userAgent": "aws-internal/3",
    "requestParameters": {
        "limit": 10
    },
    "responseElements": null,
    "requestID": "d1bf7f86-db21-11e5-bb88-91ae9617edf5",
    "eventID": "67f63c74-4335-48c0-9004-4ba35ce00128",
    "eventType": "AwsApiCall",
    "recipientAccountId": "111122223333"
},
{
    "eventVersion": "1.02",
    "userIdentity": {
        "type": "IAMUser",
        "principalId": "AKIAIOSFODNN7EXAMPLE",
        "arn": "arn:aws:iam::111122223333:user/CloudTrail_Test_User",
        "accountId": "111122223333",
        "accessKeyId": "AKIAI44QH8DHBEXAMPLE",
        "userName": "CloudTrail_Test_User"
    },
    "eventTime": "2016-02-24T18:10:09Z",
    "eventSource": "firehose.amazonaws.com",
    "eventName": "UpdateDestination",
    "awsRegion": "us-east-1",
    "sourceIPAddress": "127.0.0.1",
    "userAgent": "aws-internal/3",
    "requestParameters": {
        "destinationId": "destinationId-000000000001",
        "deliveryStreamName": "TestRedshiftStream",
        "currentDeliveryStreamVersionId": "1",
        "redshiftDestinationUpdate": {
```

```
        "roleARN": "arn:aws:iam::111122223333:role/Firehose",
        "clusterJDBCURL": "jdbc:redshift://example.abc123.us-
west-2.redshift.amazonaws.com:5439/dev",
        "password": "",
        "username": "",
        "copyCommand": {
            "copyOptions": "copyOptions",
            "dataTableName": "dataTable"
        },
        "s3Update": {
            "bucketARN": "arn:aws:s3:::firehose-cloudtrail-test-bucket-update",
            "roleARN": "arn:aws:iam::111122223333:role/Firehose",
            "compressionFormat": "GZIP",
            "bufferingHints": {
                "sizeInMBs": 3,
                "intervalInSeconds": 900
            },
            "encryptionConfiguration": {
                "kMSEncryptionConfig": {
                    "aWSKMSKeyARN": "arn:aws:kms:us-east-1:key"
                }
            },
            "prefix": "arn:aws:s3:::firehose-cloudtrail-test-bucket"
        }
    },
    "responseElements": null,
    "requestID": "d549428d-db21-11e5-bb88-91ae9617edf5",
    "eventID": "1cb21e0b-416a-415d-bbf9-769b152a6585",
    "eventType": "AwsApiCall",
    "recipientAccountId": "111122223333"
},
{
    "eventVersion": "1.02",
    "userIdentity": {
        "type": "IAMUser",
        "principalId": "AKIAIOSFODNN7EXAMPLE",
        "arn": "arn:aws:iam::111122223333:user/CloudTrail_Test_User",
        "accountId": "111122223333",
        "accessKeyId": "AKIAI44QH8DHBEXAMPLE",
        "userName": "CloudTrail_Test_User"
    },
    "eventTime": "2016-02-24T18:10:12Z",
    "eventSource": "firehose.amazonaws.com",
    "eventName": "DeleteDeliveryStream",
    "awsRegion": "us-east-1",
    "sourceIPAddress": "127.0.0.1",
    "userAgent": "aws-internal/3",
    "requestParameters": {
        "deliveryStreamName": "TestRedshiftStream"
    },
    "responseElements": null,
    "requestID": "d85968c1-db21-11e5-bb88-91ae9617edf5",
    "eventID": "dd46bb98-b4e9-42ff-a6af-32d57e636ad1",
    "eventType": "AwsApiCall",
    "recipientAccountId": "111122223333"
}
]
```

Controlling Access with Amazon Kinesis Data Firehose

The following sections cover how to control access to and from your Kinesis Data Firehose resources. The information they cover includes how to grant your application access so it can send data to your Kinesis Data Firehose delivery stream. They also describe how you can grant Kinesis Data Firehose access to your Amazon Simple Storage Service (Amazon S3) bucket, Amazon Redshift cluster, or Amazon Elasticsearch Service cluster, as well as the access permissions you need if you use Splunk as your destination. Finally, you'll find in this topic guidance on how to configure Kinesis Data Firehose so it can deliver data to a destination that belongs to a different AWS account. The technology for managing all these forms of access is AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM). For more information about IAM, see [What is IAM?](#).

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Grant Your Application Access to Your Kinesis Data Firehose Resources

To give your application access to your Kinesis Data Firehose delivery stream, use a policy similar to this example. You can adjust the individual API operations to which you grant access by modifying the Action section, or grant access to all operations with "firehose:*".

```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Action": [
        "firehose:DeleteDeliveryStream",
        "firehose:PutRecord",
        "firehose:PutRecordBatch",
        "firehose:UpdateDestination"
      ],
      "Resource": [
        "arn:aws:firehose:region:account-id:deliverystream/delivery-stream-name"
      ]
    }
  ]
}
```

```
]
}
```

Grant Kinesis Data Firehose Access to an Amazon S3 Destination

When you're using an Amazon S3 destination, Kinesis Data Firehose delivers data to your S3 bucket and can optionally use an AWS KMS key that you own for data encryption. If error logging is enabled, Kinesis Data Firehose also sends data delivery errors to your CloudWatch log group and streams. You are required to have an IAM role when creating a delivery stream. Kinesis Data Firehose assumes that IAM role and gains access to the specified bucket, key, and CloudWatch log group and streams.

Use the following trust policy to enable Kinesis Data Firehose to assume the role. Edit the policy to replace `account-id` with your AWS account ID. This ensures that only you can request Kinesis Data Firehose to assume the IAM role.

```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Principal": {
        "Service": "firehose.amazonaws.com"
      },
      "Action": "sts:AssumeRole",
      "Condition": {
        "StringEquals": {
          "sts:ExternalId": "account-id"
        }
      }
    }
  ]
}
```

Use the following access policy to enable Kinesis Data Firehose to access your S3 bucket and AWS KMS key. If you don't own the S3 bucket, add `s3:PutObjectAcl` to the list of Amazon S3 actions. This grants the bucket owner full access to the objects delivered by Kinesis Data Firehose. This policy also has a statement that allows access to Amazon Kinesis Data Streams. If you don't use Kinesis Data Streams as your data source, you can remove that statement.

```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Action": [
        "s3:AbortMultipartUpload",
        "s3:GetBucketLocation",
        "s3:GetObject",
        "s3:ListBucket",
        "s3:ListBucketMultipartUploads",
        "s3:PutObject"
      ],
      "Resource": [
        "arn:aws:s3:::bucket-name",
        "arn:aws:s3:::bucket-name/*"
      ]
    }
  ]
}
```

```
    ],
  },
  {
    "Effect": "Allow",
    "Action": [
      "kinesis:DescribeStream",
      "kinesis:GetShardIterator",
      "kinesis:GetRecords"
    ],
    "Resource": "arn:aws:kinesis:region:account-id:stream/stream-name"
  },
  {
    "Effect": "Allow",
    "Action": [
      "kms:Decrypt",
      "kms:GenerateDataKey"
    ],
    "Resource": [
      "arn:aws:kms:region:account-id:key/key-id"
    ],
    "Condition": {
      "StringEquals": {
        "kms:ViaService": "s3.region.amazonaws.com"
      },
      "StringLike": {
        "kms:EncryptionContext:aws:s3:arn": "arn:aws:s3:::bucket-name/prefix*"
      }
    }
  },
  {
    "Effect": "Allow",
    "Action": [
      "logs:PutLogEvents"
    ],
    "Resource": [
      "arn:aws:logs:region:account-id:log-group:log-group-name:log-stream:log-stream-name"
    ]
  },
  {
    "Effect": "Allow",
    "Action": [
      "lambda:InvokeFunction",
      "lambda:GetFunctionConfiguration"
    ],
    "Resource": [
      "arn:aws:lambda:region:account-id:function:function-name:function-version"
    ]
  }
]
```

For more information about allowing other AWS services to access your AWS resources, see [Creating a Role to Delegate Permissions to an AWS Service](#) in the *IAM User Guide*.

Grant Kinesis Data Firehose Access to an Amazon Redshift Destination

Refer to the following when you are granting access to Kinesis Data Firehose when using an Amazon Redshift destination.

Topics

- [IAM Role and Access Policy \(p. 68\)](#)
- [VPC Access to an Amazon Redshift Cluster \(p. 69\)](#)

IAM Role and Access Policy

When you're using an Amazon Redshift destination, Kinesis Data Firehose delivers data to your S3 bucket as an intermediate location. It can optionally use an AWS KMS key you own for data encryption. Kinesis Data Firehose then loads the data from the S3 bucket to your Amazon Redshift cluster. If error logging is enabled, Kinesis Data Firehose also sends data delivery errors to your CloudWatch log group and streams. Kinesis Data Firehose uses the specified Amazon Redshift user name and password to access your cluster, and uses an IAM role to access the specified bucket, key, CloudWatch log group, and streams. You are required to have an IAM role when creating a delivery stream.

Use the following trust policy to enable Kinesis Data Firehose to assume the role. Edit the policy to replace `account-id` with your AWS account ID. This is so that only you can request Kinesis Data Firehose to assume the IAM role.

```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Principal": {
        "Service": "firehose.amazonaws.com"
      },
      "Action": "sts:AssumeRole",
      "Condition": {
        "StringEquals": {
          "sts:ExternalId": "account-id"
        }
      }
    }
  ]
}
```

Use the following access policy to enable Kinesis Data Firehose to access your S3 bucket and AWS KMS key. If you don't own the S3 bucket, add `s3:PutObjectAcl` to the list of Amazon S3 actions, which grants the bucket owner full access to the objects delivered by Kinesis Data Firehose. This policy also has a statement that allows access to Amazon Kinesis Data Streams. If you don't use Kinesis Data Streams as your data source, you can remove that statement.

```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Action": [
        "s3:AbortMultipartUpload",
        "s3:GetBucketLocation",
        "s3:GetObject",
        "s3:ListBucket",
        "s3:ListBucketMultipartUploads",
        "s3:PutObject"
      ],
      "Resource": [
        "arn:aws:s3:::bucket-name",
        "arn:aws:s3:::bucket-name/*"
      ]
    }
  ]
}
```

```

    ],
    {
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Action": [
        "kms:Decrypt",
        "kms:GenerateDataKey"
      ],
      "Resource": [
        "arn:aws:kms:region:account-id:key/key-id"
      ],
      "Condition": {
        "StringEquals": {
          "kms:ViaService": "s3.region.amazonaws.com"
        },
        "StringLike": {
          "kms:EncryptionContext:aws:s3:arn": "arn:aws:s3:::bucket-name/prefix*"
        }
      }
    },
    {
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Action": [
        "kinesis:DescribeStream",
        "kinesis:GetShardIterator",
        "kinesis:GetRecords"
      ],
      "Resource": "arn:aws:kinesis:region:account-id:stream/stream-name"
    },
    {
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Action": [
        "logs:PutLogEvents"
      ],
      "Resource": [
        "arn:aws:logs:region:account-id:log-group:log-group-name:log-stream:log-
stream-name"
      ]
    },
    {
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Action": [
        "lambda:InvokeFunction",
        "lambda:GetFunctionConfiguration"
      ],
      "Resource": [
        "arn:aws:lambda:region:account-id:function:function-name:function-version"
      ]
    }
  ]
}

```

For more information about allowing other AWS services to access your AWS resources, see [Creating a Role to Delegate Permissions to an AWS Service](#) in the *IAM User Guide*.

VPC Access to an Amazon Redshift Cluster

If your Amazon Redshift cluster is in a virtual private cloud (VPC), it must be publicly accessible with a public IP address. Also, grant Kinesis Data Firehose access to your Amazon Redshift cluster by unblocking the Kinesis Data Firehose IP addresses. Kinesis Data Firehose currently uses one CIDR block for each available Region:

- 52.89.255.224/27 for US West (Oregon)

- 35.180.1.96/27 for EU (Paris)
- 52.70.63.192/27 for US East (N. Virginia)
- 52.19.239.192/27 for EU (Ireland)
- 13.232.67.32/27 for Asia Pacific (Mumbai)
- 13.58.135.96/27 for US East (Ohio)
- 35.158.127.160/27 for EU (Frankfurt)
- 18.228.1.128/27 for South America (São Paulo)
- 13.209.1.64/27 for Asia Pacific (Seoul)
- 18.130.1.96/27 for EU (London)
- 13.113.196.224/27 for Asia Pacific (Tokyo)
- 13.57.135.192/27 for US West (N. California)
- 13.228.64.192/27 for Asia Pacific (Singapore)
- 13.210.67.224/27 for Asia Pacific (Sydney)
- 35.183.92.128/27 for Canada (Central)
- 52.61.204.160/27 for AWS GovCloud (US-West)

For more information about how to unblock IP addresses, see the step [Authorize Access to the Cluster](#) in the *Amazon Redshift Getting Started* guide.

Grant Kinesis Data Firehose Access to an Amazon ES Destination

When you're using an Amazon ES destination, Kinesis Data Firehose delivers data to your Amazon ES cluster, and concurrently backs up failed or all documents to your S3 bucket. If error logging is enabled, Kinesis Data Firehose also sends data delivery errors to your CloudWatch log group and streams. Kinesis Data Firehose uses an IAM role to access the specified Elasticsearch domain, S3 bucket, AWS KMS key, and CloudWatch log group and streams. You are required to have an IAM role when creating a delivery stream.

Use the following trust policy to enable Kinesis Data Firehose to assume the role. Edit the following policy to replace `account-id` with your AWS account ID. This is so that only you can request Kinesis Data Firehose to assume the IAM role.

```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Principal": {
        "Service": "firehose.amazonaws.com"
      },
      "Action": "sts:AssumeRole",
      "Condition": {
        "StringEquals": {
          "sts:ExternalId": "account-id"
        }
      }
    }
  ]
}
```

```
}
```

Use the following access policy to enable Kinesis Data Firehose to access your S3 bucket, Amazon ES domain, and AWS KMS key. If you do not own the S3 bucket, add `s3:PutObjectAcl` to the list of Amazon S3 actions, which grants the bucket owner full access to the objects delivered by Kinesis Data Firehose. This policy also has a statement that allows access to Amazon Kinesis Data Streams. If you don't use Kinesis Data Streams as your data source, you can remove that statement.

```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Action": [
        "s3:AbortMultipartUpload",
        "s3:GetBucketLocation",
        "s3:GetObject",
        "s3:ListBucket",
        "s3:ListBucketMultipartUploads",
        "s3:PutObject"
      ],
      "Resource": [
        "arn:aws:s3:::bucket-name",
        "arn:aws:s3:::bucket-name/*"
      ]
    },
    {
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Action": [
        "kms:Decrypt",
        "kms:GenerateDataKey"
      ],
      "Resource": [
        "arn:aws:kms:region:account-id:key/key-id"
      ],
      "Condition": {
        "StringEquals": {
          "kms:ViaService": "s3.region.amazonaws.com"
        },
        "StringLike": {
          "kms:EncryptionContext:aws:s3:arn": "arn:aws:s3:::bucket-name/prefix*"
        }
      }
    },
    {
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Action": [
        "es:DescribeElasticsearchDomain",
        "es:DescribeElasticsearchDomains",
        "es:DescribeElasticsearchDomainConfig",
        "es:ESHttpPost",
        "es:ESHttpPut"
      ],
      "Resource": [
        "arn:aws:es:region:account-id:domain/domain-name",
        "arn:aws:es:region:account-id:domain/domain-name/*"
      ]
    },
    {
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Action": [
        "es:ESHttpGet"
      ],
      "Resource": [
```

```
        "arn:aws:es:region:account-id:domain/domain-name/_all/_settings",
        "arn:aws:es:region:account-id:domain/domain-name/_cluster/stats",
        "arn:aws:es:region:account-id:domain/domain-name/index-name*/_mapping/type-
name",
        "arn:aws:es:region:account-id:domain/domain-name/_nodes",
        "arn:aws:es:region:account-id:domain/domain-name/_nodes/stats",
        "arn:aws:es:region:account-id:domain/domain-name/_nodes/*/stats",
        "arn:aws:es:region:account-id:domain/domain-name/_stats",
        "arn:aws:es:region:account-id:domain/domain-name/index-name*/_stats"
    ]
  },
  {
    "Effect": "Allow",
    "Action": [
      "kinesis:DescribeStream",
      "kinesis:GetShardIterator",
      "kinesis:GetRecords"
    ],
    "Resource": "arn:aws:kinesis:region:account-id:stream/stream-name"
  },
  {
    "Effect": "Allow",
    "Action": [
      "logs:PutLogEvents"
    ],
    "Resource": [
      "arn:aws:logs:region:account-id:log-group:log-group-name:log-stream:log-
stream-name"
    ]
  },
  {
    "Effect": "Allow",
    "Action": [
      "lambda:InvokeFunction",
      "lambda:GetFunctionConfiguration"
    ],
    "Resource": [
      "arn:aws:lambda:region:account-id:function:function-name:function-version"
    ]
  }
]
```

For more information about allowing other AWS services to access your AWS resources, see [Creating a Role to Delegate Permissions to an AWS Service](#) in the *IAM User Guide*.

Grant Kinesis Data Firehose Access to a Splunk Destination

When you're using a Splunk destination, Kinesis Data Firehose delivers data to your Splunk HTTP Event Collector (HEC) endpoint. It also backs up that data to the Amazon S3 bucket that you specify, and you can optionally use an AWS KMS key that you own for Amazon S3 server-side encryption. If error logging is enabled, Kinesis Data Firehose sends data delivery errors to your CloudWatch log streams. You can also use AWS Lambda for data transformation. If you use an AWS load balancer, make sure that it is a Classic Load Balancer. Kinesis Data Firehose supports neither Application Load Balancers nor Network Load Balancers. Also, enable duration-based sticky sessions with cookie expiration disabled. For information about how to do this, see [Duration-Based Session Stickiness](#).

You are required to have an IAM role when creating a delivery stream. Kinesis Data Firehose assumes that IAM role and gains access to the specified bucket, key, and CloudWatch log group and streams.

Use the following trust policy to enable Kinesis Data Firehose to assume the role. Edit the policy to replace `account-id` with your AWS account ID. This ensures that only you can request Kinesis Data Firehose to assume the IAM role.

```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Principal": {
        "Service": "firehose.amazonaws.com"
      },
      "Action": "sts:AssumeRole",
      "Condition": {
        "StringEquals": {
          "sts:ExternalId": "account-id"
        }
      }
    }
  ]
}
```

Use the following access policy to enable Kinesis Data Firehose to access your S3 bucket. If you don't own the S3 bucket, add `s3:PutObjectAcl` to the list of Amazon S3 actions, which grants the bucket owner full access to the objects delivered by Kinesis Data Firehose. This policy also grants Kinesis Data Firehose access to CloudWatch for error logging and to AWS Lambda for data transformation. The policy also has a statement that allows access to Amazon Kinesis Data Streams. If you don't use Kinesis Data Streams as your data source, you can remove that statement. Kinesis Data Firehose doesn't use IAM to access Splunk. For accessing Splunk, it uses your HEC token.

```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Action": [
        "s3:AbortMultipartUpload",
        "s3:GetBucketLocation",
        "s3:GetObject",
        "s3:ListBucket",
        "s3:ListBucketMultipartUploads",
        "s3:PutObject"
      ],
      "Resource": [
        "arn:aws:s3:::bucket-name",
        "arn:aws:s3:::bucket-name/*"
      ]
    },
    {
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Action": [
        "kms:Decrypt",
        "kms:GenerateDataKey"
      ],
      "Resource": [
        "arn:aws:kms:region:account-id:key/key-id"
      ],
      "Condition": {
        "StringEquals": {
          "kms:ViaService": "s3.region.amazonaws.com"
        },
        "StringLike": {

```

```

        "kms:EncryptionContext:aws:s3:arn": "arn:aws:s3:::bucket-name/prefix*"
    }
},
{
    "Effect": "Allow",
    "Action": [
        "kinesis:DescribeStream",
        "kinesis:GetShardIterator",
        "kinesis:GetRecords"
    ],
    "Resource": "arn:aws:kinesis:region:account-id:stream/stream-name"
},
{
    "Effect": "Allow",
    "Action": [
        "logs:PutLogEvents"
    ],
    "Resource": [
        "arn:aws:logs:region:account-id:log-group:log-group-name:log-stream:*"
    ]
},
{
    "Effect": "Allow",
    "Action": [
        "lambda:InvokeFunction",
        "lambda:GetFunctionConfiguration"
    ],
    "Resource": [
        "arn:aws:lambda:region:account-id:function:function-name:function-version"
    ]
}
]
}

```

For more information about allowing other AWS services to access your AWS resources, see [Creating a Role to Delegate Permissions to an AWS Service](#) in the *IAM User Guide*.

Access to Splunk in VPC

If your Splunk platform is in a VPC, it must be publicly accessible with a public IP address. Also, grant Kinesis Data Firehose access to your Splunk platform by unblocking the Kinesis Data Firehose IP addresses. Kinesis Data Firehose currently uses the following CIDR blocks.

- 34.216.24.32/27, 34.216.24.192/27, 34.216.24.224/27 for US West (Oregon)
- 35.180.112.0/26 for EU (Paris)
- 34.238.188.128/26, 34.238.188.192/26, 34.238.195.0/26 for US East (N. Virginia)
- 34.241.197.32/27, 34.241.197.64/27, 34.241.197.96/27 for EU (Ireland)
- 13.232.67.64/26 for Asia Pacific (Mumbai)
- 18.216.68.160/27, 18.216.170.64/27, 18.216.170.96/27 for US East (Ohio)
- 18.194.95.192/27, 18.194.95.224/27, 18.195.48.0/27 for EU (Frankfurt)
- 18.228.1.192/26 for South America (São Paulo)
- 13.209.71.0/26 for Asia Pacific (Seoul)
- 18.130.91.0/26 for EU (London)
- 13.230.21.0/27, 13.230.21.32/27 for Asia Pacific (Tokyo)
- 13.57.180.0/26 for US West (N. California)

- 13.229.187.128/26 for Asia Pacific (Singapore)
- 13.211.12.0/26 for Asia Pacific (Sydney)
- 35.183.92.64/26 for Canada (Central)
- 52.61.204.192/26 for AWS GovCloud (US-West)

Cross-Account Delivery

You can configure your Kinesis Data Firehose delivery stream to deliver data to a destination that belongs to a different AWS account, as long as the destination supports resource-based permissions. For more information about resource-based permissions, see [Identity-Based \(IAM\) Permissions and Resource-Based Permissions](#). For a list of AWS services that support resource-based permissions, see [AWS Services That Work with IAM](#).

The following procedure shows an example of configuring a Kinesis Data Firehose delivery stream owned by account A to deliver data to an Amazon S3 bucket owned by account B.

1. Create an IAM role under account A using steps described in [Grant Kinesis Firehose Access to an Amazon S3 Destination](#).

Note

The Amazon S3 bucket specified in the access policy is owned by account B in this case. Make sure you add `s3:PutObjectAcl` to the list of Amazon S3 actions in the access policy, which grants account B full access to the objects delivered by Amazon Kinesis Data Firehose.

2. To allow access from the IAM role previously created, create an S3 bucket policy under account B. The following code is an example of the bucket policy. For more information, see [Using Bucket Policies and User Policies](#).

```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Id": "PolicyID",
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Sid": "StmtID",
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Principal": {
        "AWS": "arn:aws:iam::accountA-id:role/iam-role-name"
      },
      "Action": [
        "s3:AbortMultipartUpload",
        "s3:GetBucketLocation",
        "s3:GetObject",
        "s3:ListBucket",
        "s3:ListBucketMultipartUploads",
        "s3:PutObject",
        "s3:PutObjectAcl"
      ],
      "Resource": [
        "arn:aws:s3::bucket-name",
        "arn:aws:s3::bucket-name/*"
      ]
    }
  ]
}
```

3. Create a Kinesis Data Firehose delivery stream under account A using the IAM role that you created in step 1.

Using Tags to Control Access

You can use the optional `Condition` element (or `Condition block`) in an IAM policy to fine-tune access to Kinesis Data Firehose operations based on tag keys and values. The following subsections describe how to do this for the different Kinesis Data Firehose operations. For more on the use of the `Condition` element and the operators that you can use within it, see [IAM JSON Policy Elements: Condition](#).

CreateDeliveryStream and TagDeliveryStream

For the `CreateDeliveryStream` and `TagDeliveryStream` operations, use the `aws:RequestTag` condition key. In the following example, `MyKey` and `MyValue` represent the key and corresponding value for a tag.

```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Action": "firehose:CreateDeliveryStream",
      "Resource": "*",
      "Condition": {
        "StringEquals": {
          "aws:RequestTag/MyKey": "MyValue"
        }
      }
    }
  ]
}
```

UntagDeliveryStream

For the `UntagDeliveryStream` operation, use the `aws:TagKeys` condition key. In the following example, `MyKey` is an example tag key.

```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Action": "firehose:UntagDeliveryStream",
      "Resource": "*",
      "Condition": {
        "ForAnyValue:StringEquals": {
          "aws:TagKeys": "MyKey"
        }
      }
    }
  ]
}
```

ListDeliveryStreams

You can't use tag-based access control with `ListDeliveryStreams`.

Other Kinesis Data Firehose Operations

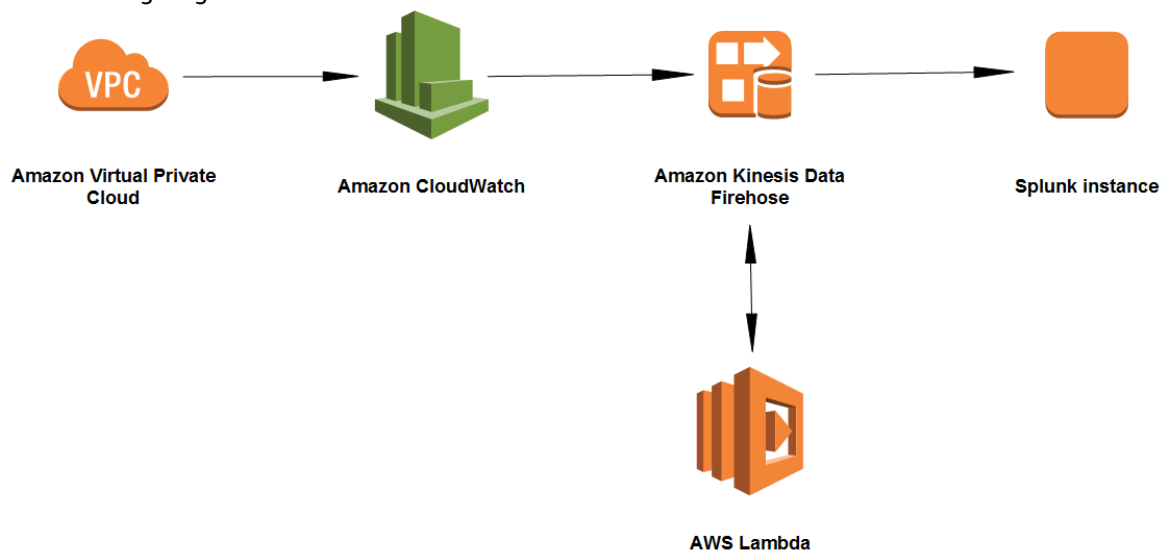
For all Kinesis Data Firehose operations other than `CreateDeliveryStream`, `TagDeliveryStream`, `UntagDeliveryStream`, and `ListDeliveryStreams`, use the `aws:RequestTag` condition key. In the following example, `MyKey` and `MyValue` represent the key and corresponding value for a tag.

```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Effect": "Deny",
      "Action": "firehose:DescribeDeliveryStream",
      "Resource": "*",
      "Condition": {
        "Null": {
          "firehose:ResourceTag/MyKey": "MyValue"
        }
      }
    }
  ]
}
```

Tutorial: Sending VPC Flow Logs to Splunk Using Amazon Kinesis Data Firehose

In this tutorial, you learn how to capture information about the IP traffic going to and from network interfaces in an Amazon Virtual Private Cloud (Amazon VPC). You then use Amazon Kinesis Data Firehose to send that information to Splunk. For more information about VPC network traffic, see [VPC Flow Logs](#) in the *Amazon VPC User Guide*.

The following diagram shows the flow of data that is demonstrated in this tutorial.



As the diagram shows, first you send the Amazon VPC flow logs to Amazon CloudWatch. Then from CloudWatch, the data goes to a Kinesis Data Firehose delivery stream. Kinesis Data Firehose then invokes an AWS Lambda function to decompress the data, and sends the decompressed log data to Splunk.

Prerequisites

Before you begin, ensure that you have the following prerequisites:

- **AWS account** — If you don't have an AWS account, create one at <http://aws.amazon.com>. For more information, see [Setting Up for Amazon Kinesis Data Firehose](#) (p. 4).
- **AWS CLI** — Parts of this tutorial require that you use the AWS Command Line Interface (AWS CLI). To install the AWS CLI, see [Installing the AWS Command Line Interface](#) in the *AWS Command Line Interface User Guide*.
- **HEC token** — In your Splunk deployment, set up an HTTP Event Collector (HEC) token with the source type `aws:cloudwatchlogs:vpcflow`. For more information, see [Installation and configuration overview for the Splunk Add-on for Amazon Kinesis Firehose](#) in the Splunk documentation.

Topics

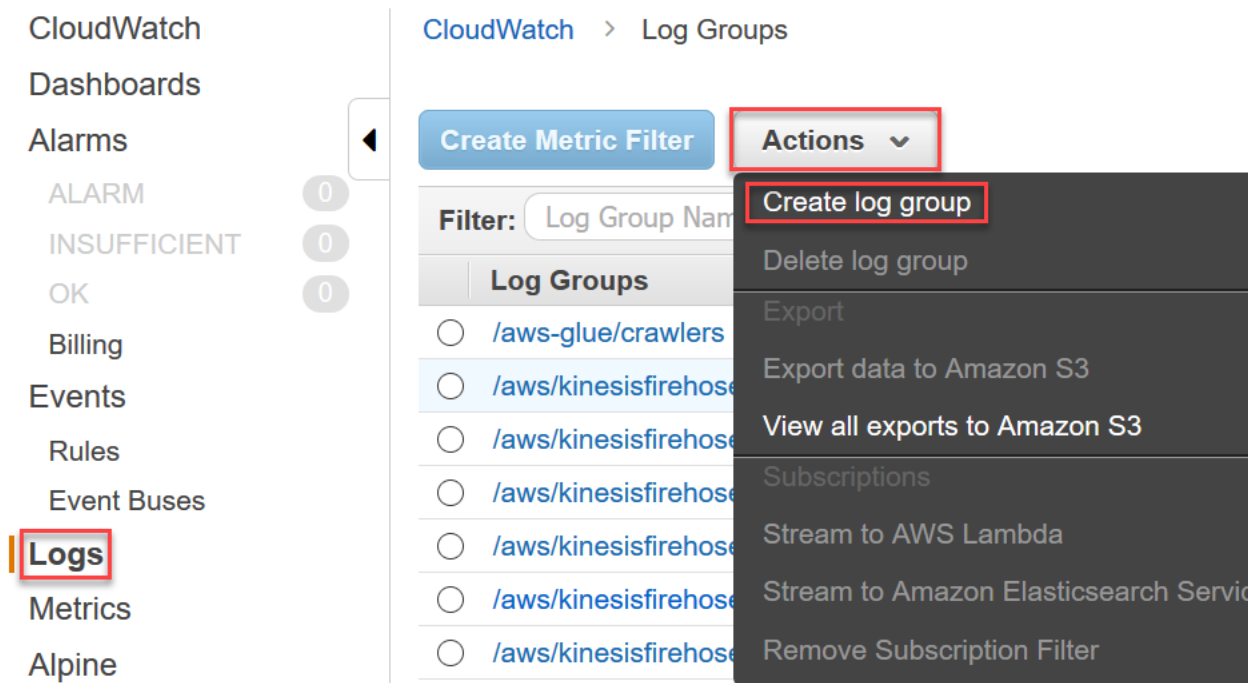
- [Step 1: Send Log Data from Amazon VPC to Amazon CloudWatch \(p. 79\)](#)
- [Step 2: Create a Kinesis Data Firehose Delivery Stream with Splunk as a Destination \(p. 82\)](#)
- [Step 3: Send the Data from Amazon CloudWatch to Kinesis Data Firehose \(p. 85\)](#)
- [Step 4: Check the Results in Splunk and in Kinesis Data Firehose \(p. 86\)](#)

Step 1: Send Log Data from Amazon VPC to Amazon CloudWatch

In the first part of this [Kinesis Data Firehose tutorial \(p. 78\)](#), you create an Amazon CloudWatch log group to receive your Amazon VPC flow logs. Then, you create flow logs for your Amazon VPC and send them to the CloudWatch log group that you created.

To create a CloudWatch log group to receive your Amazon VPC flow logs

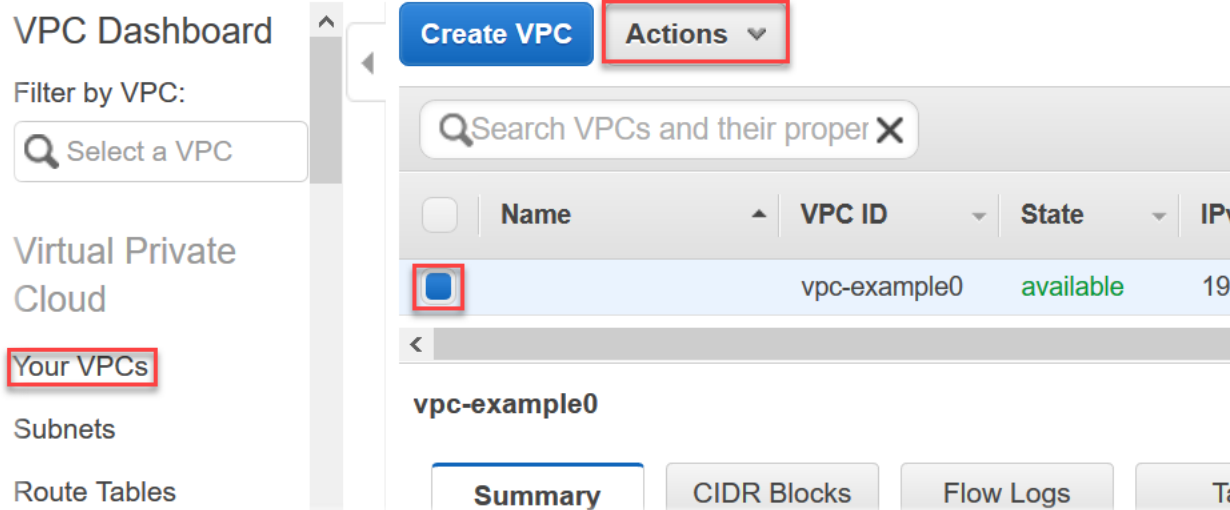
1. Sign in to the AWS Management Console and open the CloudWatch console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/cloudwatch/>.
2. In the navigation pane, choose **Logs**.
3. Choose **Actions**, and then choose **Create log group**.



4. Enter the name **VPCtoSplunkLogGroup**, and choose **Create log group**.

To create a VPC flow log

1. Open the Amazon VPC console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/vpc/>.
2. In the navigation pane, choose **Your VPCs**. Then choose your VPC from the list by selecting the check box next to it.



3. Choose **Actions**, and then choose **Create flow log**.
4. In the **Filter*** list, choose **All**.
5. Keep the destination set to **Send to CloudWatch Logs**.
6. For **Destination log group***, choose **VPCToSplunkLogGroup**, which is the log group that you created in the previous procedure.
7. To set up an IAM role, choose **Set Up Permissions**.

VPCs > Create flow log

Create flow log

Flow logs can capture IP traffic flow information for the network interfaces associated with your resources.

Resources vpc-be91e9c7 ⓘ

Filter*

All ▼

Destination

- ☒ Send to CloudWatch Logs ⓘ
☐ Send to an S3 bucket

Destination log group*

VPCtoSplunkLogGroup ▼

IAM role*

No IAM role selected ▼

The IAM role must have permission to publish to the CloudWatch Logs group.

8. In the new window that appears, keep **IAM Role** set to **Create a new IAM Role**. In the **Role Name** box, enter **VPCtoSplunkWritetoCWRole**. Then choose **Allow**.

VPC Flow Logs is requesting permission to use resources in your account

Click Allow to give Flow Logs write access to CloudWatch groups in your account. This allows Flow Logs to write to the specified CloudWatch Logs group.

▼ Hide Details

Role Summary ⓘ

Role Description Provides creation and write access to AWS Cloudwatch groups.

IAM Role

Create a new IAM Role ▼

Role Name

VPCtoSplunkWritetoCWRole

► View Policy Document

9. Return to the **Create flow log** browser tab, and refresh the **IAM role*** box. Then choose **VPCtoSplunkWritetoCWRole** in the list.
10. Choose **Create**, and then choose **Close**.
11. Back on the Amazon VPC dashboard, choose **Your VPCs** in the navigation pane. Then select the check box next to your VPC.
12. Scroll down and choose the **Flow Logs** tab, and look for the flow log that you created in the preceding steps. Ensure that its status is **Active**. If it is not, review the previous steps.

Proceed to [Step 2: Create a Kinesis Data Firehose Delivery Stream with Splunk as a Destination \(p. 82\)](#).

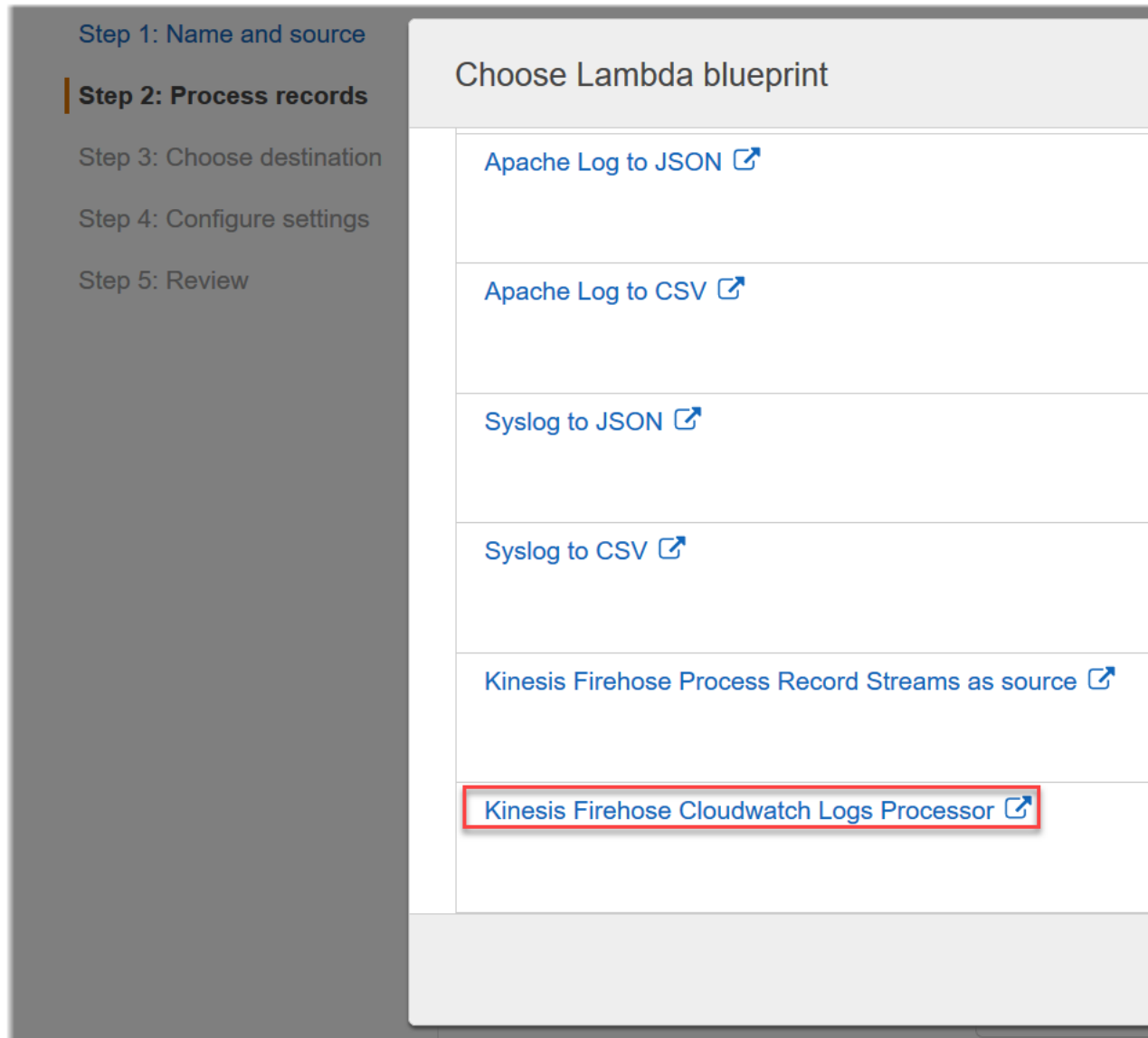
Step 2: Create a Kinesis Data Firehose Delivery Stream with Splunk as a Destination

In this part of the [Kinesis Data Firehose tutorial \(p. 78\)](#), you create an Amazon Kinesis Data Firehose delivery stream to receive the log data from Amazon CloudWatch and deliver that data to Splunk.

The logs that CloudWatch sends to the delivery stream are in a compressed format. However, Kinesis Data Firehose can't send compressed logs to Splunk. Therefore, when you create the delivery stream in the following procedure, you enable data transformation and configure an AWS Lambda function to uncompress the log data. Kinesis Data Firehose then sends the uncompressed data to Splunk.

To create a Kinesis Data Firehose delivery stream with Splunk as a destination

1. Open the Kinesis Data Firehose console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/firehose/>.
2. Choose **Create delivery stream**.
3. For the name of the delivery stream, enter **VPCtoSplunkStream**. Then scroll to the bottom, and choose **Next**.
4. For **Record transformation***, choose **Enabled**.
5. For **Lambda function***, choose **Create new**.
6. In the **Choose Lambda blueprint** pane, scroll down and choose **Kinesis Firehose Cloudwatch Logs Processor**. This opens the AWS Lambda console.



7. On the AWS Lambda console, for the function name, enter **VPctoSplunkLambda**.
8. For **Role**, choose **Create a custom role** in the drop-down list. This opens the AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) console.
9. In the IAM console, in the **IAM Role** list, choose **Create a new IAM Role**.
10. For **Role Name**, enter **VPctoSplunkLambdaRole**.
11. Choose the arrow next to **View Policy Document** to expand the policy.

AWS Lambda requires access to your resources

AWS Lambda uses an IAM role that grants your custom code permissions to access AWS resources.

▼ Hide Details

Role Summary

Role Description Lambda execution role permissions

IAM Role

Create a new IAM Role

Role Name

VPCToSplunkLambdaRole



View Policy Document

12. Choose **Edit** to the right of the policy, and then choose **Ok**.
13. In the policy field, delete the existing policy. Then paste the following policy. Be sure to replace the *your-region* and *your-aws-account-id* placeholders with your AWS Region code and account ID. Don't include any hyphens or dashes in the account ID. For a list of AWS Region codes, see [AWS Regions and Endpoints](#).

```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Action": [
        "logs:GetLogEvents"
      ],
      "Resource": "arn:aws:logs:*:*:*"
    },
    {
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Action": [
        "firehose:PutRecordBatch"
      ],
      "Resource": [
        "arn:aws:firehose:your-region:your-aws-account-id:deliverystream/VPCToSplunkStream"
      ]
    }
  ]
}
```

This policy allows the Lambda function to put data back into the delivery stream by invoking the `PutRecordBatch` operation. This step is needed because a Lambda function can only return up to 6 MiB of data every time Kinesis Data Firehose invokes it. If the size of the uncompressed data exceeds 6 MiB, the function invokes `PutRecordBatch` to put some of the data back into the delivery stream for future processing.

14. Choose **Allow**. This takes you back to the AWS Lambda console.
15. Scroll down and choose **Create function**.
16. In the Lambda function pane, scroll down to the **Basic settings** section, and increase the timeout to 3 minutes.
17. Scroll up and choose **Save**.
18. Back in the **Choose Lambda blueprint** dialog box, choose **Close**.
19. On the delivery stream creation page, under the **Transform source records with AWS Lambda** section, choose the **refresh** button. Then choose **VPctoSplunkLambda** in the list of functions.
20. Scroll down and choose **Next**.
21. For **Destination***, choose **Splunk**.
22. For **Splunk cluster endpoint**, see the information at [Configure Amazon Kinesis Firehose to send data to the Splunk platform](#) in the Splunk documentation.
23. Keep **Splunk endpoint type** set to **Raw endpoint**.
24. Enter the value (and not the name) of your Splunk HTTP Event Collector (HEC) token.
25. For **S3 backup mode***, choose **Backup all events**.
26. Choose an existing Amazon S3 bucket (or create a new one if you want), and choose **Next**.
27. On the **Configure settings** page, scroll down to the **IAM role** section, and choose **Create new or choose**.
28. In the **IAM role** list, choose **Create a new IAM role**. For **Role Name**, enter **VPctoSplunkLambdaFirehoseRole**, and then choose **Allow**.
29. Choose **Next**, and review the configuration that you chose for the delivery stream. Then choose **Create delivery stream**.

Proceed to [Step 3: Send the Data from Amazon CloudWatch to Kinesis Data Firehose \(p. 85\)](#).

Step 3: Send the Data from Amazon CloudWatch to Kinesis Data Firehose

In this step of this [Kinesis Data Firehose tutorial \(p. 78\)](#), you subscribe the delivery stream to the Amazon CloudWatch log group. This step causes the log data to flow from the log group to the delivery stream.

To send log data from CloudWatch Logs to your delivery stream

In this procedure, you use the [AWS Command Line Interface \(AWS CLI\)](#) to create a CloudWatch Logs subscription that sends log events to your delivery stream.

1. Save the following trust policy to a local file, and name the file `VPctoSplunkCWtoFHTrustPolicy.json`. Be sure to replace the *your-region* placeholder with your AWS Region code.

```
{
  "Statement": {
    "Effect": "Allow",
    "Principal": { "Service": "logs.your-region.amazonaws.com" },
    "Action": "sts:AssumeRole"
  }
}
```

2. In a command window, go to the directory where you saved `VPctoSplunkCWtoFHPolicy.json`, and run the following AWS CLI command.

```
aws iam create-role --role-name VPctoSplunkCWtoFHRole --assume-role-policy-document  
file://VPctoSplunkCWtoFHTrustPolicy.json
```

3. Save the following access policy to a local file, and name the file `VPctoSplunkCWtoFHAccessPolicy.json`. Be sure to replace the *your-region* and *your-aws-account-id* placeholders with your AWS Region code and account ID.

```
{  
  "Statement": [  
    {  
      "Effect": "Allow",  
      "Action": ["firehose:*"],  
      "Resource": ["arn:aws:firehose:your-region:your-aws-account-id:deliverystream/  
VPctoSplunkStream"]  
    },  
    {  
      "Effect": "Allow",  
      "Action": ["iam:PassRole"],  
      "Resource": ["arn:aws:iam::your-aws-account-id:role/VPctoSplunkCWtoFHRole"]  
    }  
  ]  
}
```

4. In a command window, go to the directory where you saved `VPctoSplunkCWtoFHAccessPolicy.json`, and run the following AWS CLI command.

```
aws iam put-role-policy --role-name VPctoSplunkCWtoFHRole --  
policy-name VPctoSplunkCWtoFHAccessPolicy --policy-document file://  
VPctoSplunkCWtoFHAccessPolicy.json
```

5. Replace the *your-region* and *your-aws-account-id* placeholders in the following AWS CLI command with your AWS Region code and account ID, and then run the command.

```
aws logs put-subscription-filter --log-group-name "VPctoSplunkLogGroup" --filter-  
name "Destination" --filter-pattern "" --destination-arn "arn:aws:firehose:your-  
region:your-aws-account-id:deliverystream/VPctoSplunkStream" --role-arn  
"arn:aws:iam::your-aws-account-id:role/VPctoSplunkCWtoFHRole"
```

Proceed to [Step 4: Check the Results in Splunk and in Kinesis Data Firehose \(p. 86\)](#).

Step 4: Check the Results in Splunk and in Kinesis Data Firehose

You can monitor the flow of data at several points in this example. In this step of the [Kinesis Data Firehose tutorial \(p. 78\)](#), you check the data in Splunk, the final destination, and you also monitor its flow through Kinesis Data Firehose.

To check the results in AWS and in Splunk

1. Open the Kinesis Data Firehose console at <https://console.aws.amazon.com/firehose/>.
2. In the list of delivery streams, choose **VPctoSplunkStream**.
3. Choose the **Monitoring** tab, and view the graphs. Be sure to adjust the time range and to use the **refresh** button periodically.
4. If you don't see your data in Splunk, see [Data Not Delivered to Splunk](#).

Important

After you verify your results, delete any AWS resources that you don't need to keep, so as not to incur ongoing charges.

Troubleshooting Amazon Kinesis Data Firehose

To monitor the freshness of your data delivery, check the `DataFreshness` metric under the **Monitoring** tab in the Kinesis Data Firehose console. `DataFreshness` indicates how current your data is within your Kinesis Data Firehose delivery stream. If the value of `DataFreshness` doesn't increase over time, this means that your delivery stream is successfully delivering your data. When Kinesis Data Firehose encounters an error, it uses Amazon S3 to back up all data that it can't deliver to your primary destination. If you enable CloudWatch Logs for your delivery stream, you can see all delivery errors. Kinesis Data Firehose automatically retries all failed deliveries until the configured retry duration expires. For more information, see [Monitoring with CloudWatch Logs \(p. 54\)](#).

Issues

- [Data Not Delivered to Amazon S3 \(p. 88\)](#)
- [Data Not Delivered to Amazon Redshift \(p. 89\)](#)
- [Data Not Delivered to Amazon Elasticsearch Service \(p. 89\)](#)
- [Data Not Delivered to Splunk \(p. 90\)](#)
- [Delivery Stream Not Available as a Target for CloudWatch Logs, CloudWatch Events, or AWS IoT Action \(p. 91\)](#)

Data Not Delivered to Amazon S3

Check the following if data is not delivered to your Amazon Simple Storage Service (Amazon S3) bucket.

- Check the Kinesis Data Firehose `IncomingBytes` and `IncomingRecords` metrics to make sure that data is sent to your Kinesis Data Firehose delivery stream successfully. For more information, see [Monitoring Kinesis Data Firehose Using CloudWatch Metrics \(p. 48\)](#).
- If data transformation with Lambda is enabled, check the Kinesis Data Firehose `ExecuteProcessingSuccess` metric to make sure that Kinesis Data Firehose has tried to invoke your Lambda function. For more information, see [Monitoring Kinesis Data Firehose Using CloudWatch Metrics \(p. 48\)](#).
- Check the Kinesis Data Firehose `DeliveryToS3.Success` metric to make sure that Kinesis Data Firehose has tried putting data to your Amazon S3 bucket. For more information, see [Monitoring Kinesis Data Firehose Using CloudWatch Metrics \(p. 48\)](#).
- Enable error logging if it is not already enabled, and check error logs for delivery failure. For more information, see [Monitoring Kinesis Data Firehose Using CloudWatch Logs \(p. 54\)](#).
- Make sure that the Amazon S3 bucket that is specified in your Kinesis Data Firehose delivery stream still exists.
- If data transformation with Lambda is enabled, make sure that the Lambda function that is specified in your delivery stream still exists.
- Make sure that the IAM role that is specified in your Kinesis Data Firehose delivery stream has access to your S3 bucket and your Lambda function (if data transformation is enabled). For more information, see [Grant Kinesis Data Firehose Access to an Amazon S3 Destination \(p. 66\)](#).
- If you're using data transformation, make sure that your Lambda function never returns responses whose payload size exceeds 6 MB. For more information, see [Amazon Kinesis Data Firehose Data Transformation](#).

Data Not Delivered to Amazon Redshift

Check the following if data is not delivered to your Amazon Redshift cluster.

Data is delivered to your S3 bucket before loading into Amazon Redshift. If the data was not delivered to your S3 bucket, see [Data Not Delivered to Amazon S3 \(p. 88\)](#).

- Check the Kinesis Data Firehose `DeliveryToRedshift.Success` metric to make sure that Kinesis Data Firehose has tried to copy data from your S3 bucket to the Amazon Redshift cluster. For more information, see [Monitoring Kinesis Data Firehose Using CloudWatch Metrics \(p. 48\)](#).
- Enable error logging if it is not already enabled, and check error logs for delivery failure. For more information, see [Monitoring Kinesis Data Firehose Using CloudWatch Logs \(p. 54\)](#).
- Check the Amazon Redshift `STL_CONNECTION_LOG` table to see if Kinesis Data Firehose can make successful connections. In this table, you should be able to see connections and their status based on a user name. For more information, see [STL_CONNECTION_LOG](#) in the *Amazon Redshift Database Developer Guide*.
- If the previous check shows that connections are being established, check the Amazon Redshift `STL_LOAD_ERRORS` table to verify the reason for the COPY failure. For more information, see [STL_LOAD_ERRORS](#) in the *Amazon Redshift Database Developer Guide*.
- Make sure that the Amazon Redshift configuration in your Kinesis Data Firehose delivery stream is accurate and valid.
- Make sure that the IAM role that is specified in your Kinesis Data Firehose delivery stream can access the S3 bucket that Amazon Redshift copies data from, and also the Lambda function for data transformation (if data transformation is enabled). For more information, see [Grant Kinesis Data Firehose Access to an Amazon S3 Destination \(p. 66\)](#).
- If your Amazon Redshift cluster is in a virtual private cloud (VPC), make sure that the cluster allows access from Kinesis Data Firehose IP addresses. For more information, see [Grant Kinesis Data Firehose Access to an Amazon Redshift Destination \(p. 67\)](#).
- Make sure that the Amazon Redshift cluster is publicly available.
- If you're using data transformation, make sure that your Lambda function never returns responses whose payload size exceeds 6 MB. For more information, see [Amazon Kinesis Data Firehose Data Transformation](#).

Data Not Delivered to Amazon Elasticsearch Service

Check the following if data is not delivered to your Elasticsearch domain.

Data can be backed up to your Amazon S3 bucket concurrently. If data was not delivered to your S3 bucket, see [Data Not Delivered to Amazon S3 \(p. 88\)](#).

- Check the Kinesis Data Firehose `IncomingBytes` and `IncomingRecords` metrics to make sure that data is sent to your Kinesis Data Firehose delivery stream successfully. For more information, see [Monitoring Kinesis Data Firehose Using CloudWatch Metrics \(p. 48\)](#).
- If data transformation with Lambda is enabled, check the Kinesis Data Firehose `ExecuteProcessingSuccess` metric to make sure that Kinesis Data Firehose has tried to invoke your Lambda function. For more information, see [Monitoring Kinesis Data Firehose Using CloudWatch Metrics \(p. 48\)](#).
- Check the Kinesis Data Firehose `DeliveryToElasticsearch.Success` metric to make sure that Kinesis Data Firehose has tried to index data to the Amazon ES cluster. For more information, see [Monitoring Kinesis Data Firehose Using CloudWatch Metrics \(p. 48\)](#).

- Enable error logging if it is not already enabled, and check error logs for delivery failure. For more information, see [Monitoring Kinesis Data Firehose Using CloudWatch Logs \(p. 54\)](#).
- Make sure that the Amazon ES configuration in your delivery stream is accurate and valid.
- If data transformation with Lambda is enabled, make sure that the Lambda function that is specified in your delivery stream still exists.
- Make sure that the IAM role that is specified in your delivery stream can access your Amazon ES cluster and Lambda function (if data transformation is enabled). For more information, see [Grant Kinesis Data Firehose Access to an Amazon ES Destination \(p. 70\)](#).
- If you're using data transformation, make sure that your Lambda function never returns responses whose payload size exceeds 6 MB. For more information, see [Amazon Kinesis Data Firehose Data Transformation](#).

Data Not Delivered to Splunk

Check the following if data is not delivered to your Splunk endpoint.

- If your Splunk platform is in a VPC, make sure that Kinesis Data Firehose can access it. For more information, see [Access to Splunk in VPC](#).
- If you use an AWS load balancer, make sure that it is a Classic Load Balancer. Kinesis Data Firehose does not support Application Load Balancers or Network Load Balancers. Also, enable duration-based sticky sessions with cookie expiration disabled. For information about how to do this, see [Duration-Based Session Stickiness](#).
- Review the Splunk platform requirements. The Splunk add-on for Kinesis Data Firehose requires Splunk platform version 6.6.X or later. For more information, see [Splunk Add-on for Amazon Kinesis Firehose](#).
- If you have a proxy (Elastic Load Balancing or other) between Kinesis Data Firehose and the HTTP Event Collector (HEC) node, enable sticky sessions to support HEC acknowledgements (ACKs).
- Make sure that you are using a valid HEC token.
- Ensure that the HEC token is enabled. See [Enable and disable Event Collector tokens](#).
- Check whether the data that you're sending to Splunk is formatted correctly. For more information, see [Format events for HTTP Event Collector](#).
- Make sure that the HEC token and input event are configured with a valid index.
- When an upload to Splunk fails due to a server error from the HEC node, the request is automatically retried. If all retries fail, the data gets backed up to Amazon S3. Check if your data appears in Amazon S3, which is an indication of such a failure.
- Make sure that you enabled indexer acknowledgment on your HEC token. For more information, see [Enable indexer acknowledgement](#).
- Increase the value of `HECAcknowledgmentTimeoutInSeconds` in the Splunk destination configuration of your Kinesis Data Firehose delivery stream.
- Increase the value of `DurationInSeconds` under `RetryOptions` in the Splunk destination configuration of your Kinesis Data Firehose delivery stream.
- Check your HEC health.
- If you're using data transformation, make sure that your Lambda function never returns responses whose payload size exceeds 6 MB. For more information, see [Amazon Kinesis Data Firehose Data Transformation](#).
- Make sure that the Splunk parameter named `ackIdleCleanup` is set to `true`. It is false by default. To set this parameter to `true`, do the following:
 - For a [managed Splunk Cloud deployment](#), submit a case using the Splunk support portal. In this case, ask Splunk support to enable the HTTP event collector, set `ackIdleCleanup` to `true` in `inputs.conf`, and create or modify a load balancer to use with this add-on.

- For a [distributed Splunk Enterprise deployment](#), set the `ackIdleCleanup` parameter to `true` in the `inputs.conf` file. For *nix users, this file is located under `$SPLUNK_HOME/etc/apps/splunk_httpinput/local/`. For Windows users, it is under `%SPLUNK_HOME%\etc/apps\splunk_httpinput\local\`.
- For a [single-instance Splunk Enterprise deployment](#), set the `ackIdleCleanup` parameter to `true` in the `inputs.conf` file. For *nix users, this file is located under `$SPLUNK_HOME/etc/apps/splunk_httpinput/local/`. For Windows users, it is under `%SPLUNK_HOME%\etc/apps\splunk_httpinput\local\`.
- See [Troubleshoot the Splunk Add-on for Amazon Kinesis Firehose](#).

Delivery Stream Not Available as a Target for CloudWatch Logs, CloudWatch Events, or AWS IoT Action

Some AWS services can only send messages and events to a Kinesis Data Firehose delivery stream that is in the same AWS Region. Verify that your Kinesis Data Firehose delivery stream is located in the same Region as your other services.

Amazon Kinesis Data Firehose Limits

Amazon Kinesis Data Firehose has the following limits.

- By default, each account can have up to 50 Kinesis Data Firehose delivery streams per Region. If you exceed this limit, a call to [CreateDeliveryStream](#) results in a `LimitExceededException` exception. This limit can be increased using the [Amazon Kinesis Data Firehose Limits form](#).
- When **Direct PUT** is configured as the data source, each Kinesis Data Firehose delivery stream is subject to the following limits:
 - For US East (N. Virginia), US West (Oregon), and EU (Ireland): 5,000 records/second, 2,000 transactions/second, and 5 MiB/second.
 - For EU (Paris), Asia Pacific (Mumbai), US East (Ohio), EU (Frankfurt), South America (São Paulo), Asia Pacific (Seoul), EU (London), Asia Pacific (Tokyo), US West (N. California), Asia Pacific (Singapore), Asia Pacific (Sydney), and Canada (Central): 1,000 records/second, 1,000 transactions/second, and 1 MiB/second.

You can submit a limit increase request using the [Amazon Kinesis Data Firehose Limits form](#). The three limits scale proportionally. For example, if you increase the throughput limit in US East (N. Virginia), US West (Oregon), or EU (Ireland) to 10 MiB/second, the other two limits increase to 4,000 transactions/second and 10,000 records/second.

Important

If the increased limit is much higher than the running traffic, it causes small delivery batches to destinations. This is inefficient and can result in higher costs at the destination services. Be sure to increase the limit only to match current running traffic, and increase the limit further if traffic increases.

Note

When Kinesis Data Streams is configured as the data source, this limit doesn't apply, and Kinesis Data Firehose scales up and down with no limit.

- Each Kinesis Data Firehose delivery stream stores data records for up to 24 hours in case the delivery destination is unavailable.
- The maximum size of a record sent to Kinesis Data Firehose, before base64-encoding, is 1,000 KiB.
- The [PutRecordBatch](#) operation can take up to 500 records per call or 4 MiB per call, whichever is smaller. This limit cannot be changed.
- The following operations can provide up to five transactions per second: [CreateDeliveryStream](#), [DeleteDeliveryStream](#), [DescribeDeliveryStream](#), [ListDeliveryStreams](#), [UpdateDestination](#), [TagDeliveryStream](#), [UntagDeliveryStream](#), [ListTagsForDeliveryStream](#), [StartDeliveryStreamEncryption](#), [StopDeliveryStreamEncryption](#).
- The buffer sizes hints range from 1 MiB to 128 MiB for Amazon S3 delivery. For Amazon Elasticsearch Service (Amazon ES) delivery, they range from 1 MiB to 100 MiB. For AWS Lambda processing, you can set a buffering hint between 1 MiB and 3 MiB using the [BufferSizeInMBs](#) processor parameter. The size threshold is applied to the buffer before compression. These options are treated as hints. Kinesis Data Firehose might choose to use different values when it is optimal.
- The buffer interval hints range from 60 seconds to 900 seconds.
- For delivery from Kinesis Data Firehose to Amazon Redshift, only publicly accessible Amazon Redshift clusters are supported.
- The retry duration range is from 0 seconds to 7,200 seconds for Amazon Redshift and Amazon ES delivery.
- Kinesis Data Firehose supports Elasticsearch versions 1.5, 2.3, 5.1, 5.3, 5.5, 5.6, 6.0, 6.2, and 6.3.
- Kinesis Data Firehose doesn't support delivery to Elasticsearch domains in a virtual private cloud (VPC).

- When the destination is Amazon S3, Amazon Redshift, or Amazon ES, Kinesis Data Firehose allows up to 5 outstanding Lambda invocations per shard. For Splunk, the limit is 10 outstanding Lambda invocations per shard.

Document History

The following table describes the important changes to the Amazon Kinesis Data Firehose documentation.

Change	Description	Date Changed
Added a topic on custom prefixes.	Added a topic about the expressions that you can use when building a custom prefix for data that is delivered to Amazon S3. See Custom Amazon S3 Prefixes (p. 38) .	December 20, 2018
Added New Kinesis Data Firehose Tutorial	Added a tutorial that demonstrates how to send Amazon VPC flow logs to Splunk through Kinesis Data Firehose. See Tutorial: Sending VPC Flow Logs to Splunk Using Amazon Kinesis Data Firehose (p. 78) .	October 30, 2018
Added Four New Kinesis Data Firehose Regions	Added Paris, Mumbai, Sao Paulo, and London. For more information, see Amazon Kinesis Data Firehose Limits (p. 92) .	June 27, 2018
Added Two New Kinesis Data Firehose Regions	Added Seoul and Montreal. For more information, see Amazon Kinesis Data Firehose Limits (p. 92) .	June 13, 2018
New Kinesis Streams as Source feature	Added Kinesis Streams as a potential source for records for a Firehose Delivery Stream. For more information, see Name and source (p. 5) .	August 18, 2017
Update to console documentation	The delivery stream creation wizard was updated. For more information, see Creating an Amazon Kinesis Data Firehose Delivery Stream (p. 5) .	July 19, 2017
New data transformation	You can configure Kinesis Data Firehose to transform your data before data delivery. For more information, see Amazon Kinesis Data Firehose Data Transformation (p. 27) .	December 19, 2016
New Amazon Redshift COPY retry	You can configure Kinesis Data Firehose to retry a COPY command to your Amazon Redshift cluster if it fails. For more information, see Creating an Amazon Kinesis Data Firehose Delivery Stream (p. 5) , Amazon Kinesis Data Firehose Data Delivery (p. 34) , and Amazon Kinesis Data Firehose Limits (p. 92) .	May 18, 2016
New Kinesis Data Firehose destination, Amazon Elasticsearch Service	You can create a delivery stream with Amazon Elasticsearch Service as the destination. For more information, see Creating an Amazon Kinesis Data Firehose Delivery Stream (p. 5) , Amazon Kinesis Data Firehose Data Delivery (p. 34) , and Grant Kinesis Data Firehose Access to an Amazon ES Destination (p. 70) .	April 19, 2016
New enhanced CloudWatch metrics and troubleshooting features	Updated Monitoring Amazon Kinesis Data Firehose (p. 48) and Troubleshooting Amazon Kinesis Data Firehose (p. 88) .	April 19, 2016

Change	Description	Date Changed
New enhanced Kinesis agent	Updated Writing to Kinesis Data Firehose Using Kinesis Agent (p. 16) .	April 11, 2016
New Kinesis agents	Added Writing to Kinesis Data Firehose Using Kinesis Agent (p. 16) .	October 2, 2015
Initial release	Initial release of the Amazon Kinesis Data Firehose <i>Developer Guide</i> .	October 4, 2015

AWS Glossary

For the latest AWS terminology, see the [AWS Glossary](#) in the *AWS General Reference*.