Server, and partitioning-related entries are no longer shown in the output of SHOW PLUGINS or in the INFORMATION SCHEMA.PLUGINS table.

Two MySQL storage engines currently provide native partitioning support: InnoDB and NDB. Of these, only InnoDB is supported in MySQL 8.0. Any attempt to create partitioned tables in MySQL 8.0 using any other storage engine fails.

Ramifications for upgrades. The direct upgrade of a partitioned table using a storage engine other than InnoDB (such as MyISAM) from MySQL 5.7 (or earlier) to MySQL 8.0 is not supported. There are two options for handling such a table:

- Remove the table's partitioning, using ALTER TABLE ... REMOVE PARTITIONING.
- Change the storage engine used for the table to InnoDB, with ALTER TABLE ... ENGINE=INNODB.

At least one of the two operations just listed must be performed for each partitioned non-InnoDB table prior to upgrading the server to MySQL 8.0. Otherwise, such a table cannot be used following the upgrade.

Due to the fact that table creation statements that would result in a partitioned table using a storage engine without partitioning support now fail with an error (ER\_CHECK\_NOT\_IMPLEMENTED), you must make sure that any statements in a dump file (such as that written by mysqldump) from an older version of MySQL that you wish to import into a MySQL 8.0 server that create partitioned tables do not also specify a storage engine such as MyISAM that has no native partitioning handler. You can do this by performing either of the following:

- Remove any references to partitioning from CREATE TABLE statements that use a value for the STORAGE ENGINE option other than InnoDB.
- Specifying the storage engine as InnoDB, or allow InnoDB to be used as the table's storage engine by default.

For more information, see Section 23.6.2, "Partitioning Limitations Relating to Storage Engines".

- System and status variable information is no longer maintained in the INFORMATION\_SCHEMA. These tables are removed: GLOBAL\_VARIABLES, SESSION\_VARIABLES, GLOBAL\_STATUS, SESSION\_STATUS. Use the corresponding Performance Schema tables instead. See Section 26.12.14, "Performance Schema System Variable Tables", and Section 26.12.15, "Performance Schema Status Variable Tables". In addition, the show\_compatibility\_56 system variable was removed. It was used in the transition period during which system and status variable information in INFORMATION\_SCHEMA tables was moved to Performance Schema tables, and is no longer needed. These status variables are removed: Slave\_heartbeat\_period, Slave\_last\_heartbeat, Slave\_received\_heartbeats, Slave\_retried\_transactions, Slave\_running. The information they provided is available in Performance Schema tables; see Migrating to Performance Schema System and Status Variable Tables.
- The Performance Schema setup\_timers table was removed, as was the TICK row in the performance\_timers table.