

# Digital Forensic Timeline Report

This report summarizes the SSH-related system activity captured and processed by the Digital Forensic Timeline Builder. The source data originates from SSH log entries on the Kali Linux system and has been normalized into a chronological event timeline.

**Total events:** 193  
**First event:** 2025-08-05 09:52:40  
**Last event:** 2025-11-21 13:42:40

## Methodology

Log entries were collected from the SSH logging source on the Kali Linux virtual machine and written to a text file. Each line was parsed to extract the timestamp, host, and message fields. Timestamps were converted to a consistent datetime format and sorted chronologically. The resulting normalized records were stored in a CSV file (*ssh\_timeline.csv*), which serves as the basis for this report.

## Sample Timeline Entries

Datetime	Host	Message
2025-08-05 09:52:40	kali	systemd[1]: regenerate-ssh-host-keys.service - Regenerate SSH host keys was skip
2025-08-05 09:52:43	kali	systemd[659]: Starting gcr-ssh-agent.socket - GCR ssh-agent wrapper...
2025-08-05 09:52:43	kali	systemd[659]: Starting gpg-agent-ssh.socket - GnuPG cryptographic agent (ssh-age
2025-08-05 09:52:43	kali	systemd[659]: Starting ssh-agent.socket - OpenSSH Agent socket...
2025-08-05 09:52:43	kali	systemd[659]: Listening on gcr-ssh-agent.socket - GCR ssh-agent wrapper.
2025-08-05 09:52:43	kali	systemd[659]: Listening on ssh-agent.socket - OpenSSH Agent socket.
2025-08-05 09:52:43	kali	systemd[659]: Listening on gpg-agent-ssh.socket - GnuPG cryptographic agent (ssh
2025-08-05 10:12:17	kali	systemd[841]: Starting gcr-ssh-agent.socket - GCR ssh-agent wrapper...
2025-08-05 10:12:17	kali	systemd[841]: Starting gpg-agent-ssh.socket - GnuPG cryptographic agent (ssh-age
2025-08-05 10:12:17	kali	systemd[841]: Starting ssh-agent.socket - OpenSSH Agent socket...
2025-08-05 10:12:17	kali	systemd[841]: Listening on gcr-ssh-agent.socket - GCR ssh-agent wrapper.
2025-08-05 10:12:17	kali	systemd[841]: Listening on gpg-agent-ssh.socket - GnuPG cryptographic agent (ssh
2025-08-05 10:12:17	kali	systemd[841]: Listening on ssh-agent.socket - OpenSSH Agent socket.
2025-08-05 10:12:18	kali	gpg-agent[989]: using fd 4 for ssh socket (/run/user/1000/gnupg/S.gpg-agent.ssh)
2025-08-05 10:12:18	kali	gpg-agent[989]: listening on: std=3 extra=5 browser=6 ssh=4
2025-08-05 10:12:18	kali	gpg-agent[994]: using fd 4 for ssh socket (/run/user/1000/gnupg/S.gpg-agent.ssh)
2025-08-05 10:12:18	kali	gpg-agent[994]: listening on: std=3 extra=5 browser=6 ssh=4
2025-08-05 10:12:27	kali	systemd[659]: Closed gcr-ssh-agent.socket - GCR ssh-agent wrapper.
2025-08-05 10:12:27	kali	systemd[659]: Stopping gpg-agent-ssh.socket - GnuPG cryptographic agent (ssh-age
2025-08-05 10:12:27	kali	systemd[659]: Stopping ssh-agent.socket - OpenSSH Agent socket...
2025-08-05 10:12:27	kali	systemd[659]: Closed gpg-agent-ssh.socket - GnuPG cryptographic agent (ssh-agent
2025-08-05 10:12:27	kali	systemd[659]: Closed ssh-agent.socket - OpenSSH Agent socket.

2025-08-05 14:37:59	kali	systemd[1]: Listening on sshd-unix-local.socket - OpenSSH Server Socket (systemd
2025-08-05 14:37:59	kali	systemd[1]: Listening on sshd-vsock.socket - OpenSSH Server Socket (systemd-ssh-
2025-08-05 14:37:59	kali	systemd[1]: Reached target ssh-access.target - SSH Access Available.

## Findings and Observations

The timeline shows the sequence of SSH-related events in the system, including authentication attempts and general SSH daemon activity. By reviewing the timestamps and messages, an analyst can identify patterns such as repeated failed login attempts, unusual login times, or bursts of activity that may warrant further investigation.