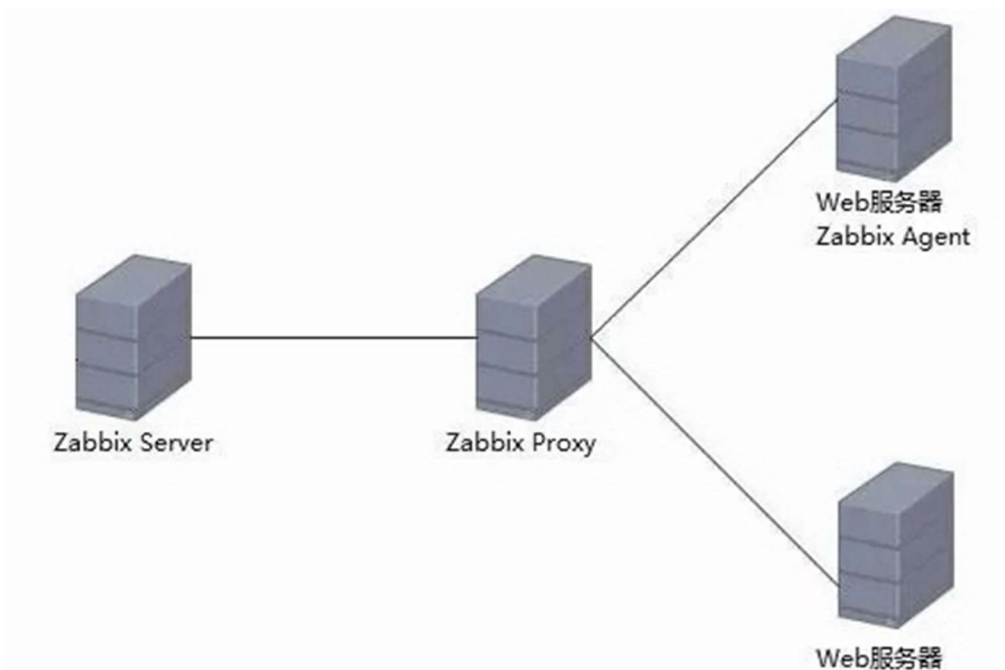




Zabbix Proxy Configuration Guide

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Install and Configure Zabbix Proxy with Local PostgreSQL Database on RHEL 8

This document provides step-by-step instructions to install and configure Zabbix Proxy using a local PostgreSQL database on the same server as the proxy.

1. Install Zabbix Repository

Add the Zabbix repository to your system and clean the repository cache:

```
# rpm -Uvh https://repo.zabbix.com/zabbix/6.0/rhel/8/x86_64/zabbix-release-
latest.el8.noarch.rpm
# dnf clean all
```

```
error: open of zabbix-release-latest.el8.noarch.rpm failed: No such file or directory
root@ ~: /root > curl --tlsv1.2 -O https://repo.zabbix.com/zabbix/6.0/rhel/8/x86_64/zabbix-release-latest.el8.noarch.rpm
% Total    % Received % Xferd  Average Speed   Time    Time     Current
                                 Dload  Upload   Total   Spent    Left  Speed
100 19192 100 19192    0     0  8319      0  0:00:02  0:00:02 --:--:-- 8319
root@ ~: /root > rpm -Uvh zabbix-release-latest.el8.noarch.rpm
Verifying... ##### [100%]
Preparing... ##### [100%]
Updating / installing...
 1:zabbix-release-6.0-5.el8 ##### [ 50%]
Cleaning up / removing...
 2:zabbix-release-6.0-4.el8 ##### [100%]
root@ ~: /root > dnf clean all
```

2. Install Zabbix Proxy

Install the necessary Zabbix Proxy packages for PostgreSQL, along with SELinux policies:

```
# dnf install zabbix-proxy-pgsql zabbix-sql-scripts zabbix-selinux-policy
```

```
Dependencies resolved.
```

Package	Architecture	Version	Repository	Size
Installing:				
zabbix-proxy-pgsql	x86_64	6.0.36-release1.el8	zabbix	1.4 M
zabbix-selinux-policy	x86_64	6.0.36-release1.el8	zabbix	316 k
Upgrading:				
zabbix-sql-scripts	noarch	6.0.36-release1.el8	zabbix	7.3 M
Installing dependencies:				
libpq5	x86_64	17.0-43PGDG.rhel8	pgdg-common	248 k
Transaction Summary				
Install 3 Packages				
Upgrade 1 Package				

3. Create Initial Local Database

Ensure the PostgreSQL database server is installed and running locally on the same server as the Zabbix Proxy.

1. Create the Zabbix user and database locally:

```
# sudo -u postgres createuser --pwprompt zabbix
# sudo -u postgres createdb -O zabbix zabbix_proxy
```

2. Import the initial schema and data for Zabbix Proxy:

```
# cat /usr/share/zabbix-sql-scripts/postgresql/proxy.sql | sudo -u zabbix psql zabbix_proxy
```

```
root@:~# cat /usr/share/zabbix-sql-scripts/postgresql/proxy.sql | sudo -u zabbix psql zabbix_proxy
CREATE TABLE
CREATE INDEX
CREATE TABLE
CREATE INDEX
CREATE INDEX
CREATE TABLE
CREATE INDEX
```

4. Configure Zabbix Proxy to Use the Local Database

Edit the Zabbix Proxy configuration file (/etc/zabbix/zabbix_proxy.conf) to point to the local PostgreSQL database:

1. Open the configuration file:

```
sudo nano /etc/zabbix/zabbix_proxy.conf
```

2. Add or update the following database-related parameters:

```
DBHost=localhost or ip Zabbix proxy
DBName=zabbix_proxy
DBUser=zabbix
DBPassword=your_password_here
DBPort=5432
```

3. Set the Proxy Hostname to match the name defined in the Zabbix Server interface:

```
Hostname=zbx_proxy_1
```

4. Optional: Configure the Proxy mode (Active or Passive):

```
ProxyMode=0 # Active mode
Server=1[REDACTED] # Zabbix server ip
```

5. Start and Enable Zabbix Proxy

Start the Zabbix Proxy service and enable it to start on boot:

```
# systemctl restart zabbix-proxy
# systemctl enable zabbix-proxy
```

```
zabbix_proxy=# \q
root@[REDACTED]:/root > sudo systemctl restart zabbix-proxy
root@[REDACTED]:/root > sudo systemctl status zabbix-proxy
● zabbix-proxy.service - Zabbix Proxy
   Loaded: loaded (/usr/lib/systemd/system/zabbix-proxy.service; disabled; vendor preset: disabled)
   Active: active (running) since Wed 2024-11-27 09:39:12 +0330; 3s ago
     Process: 2663341 ExecStart=/usr/sbin/zabbix_proxy -c $CONFFILE (code=exited, status=0/SUCCESS)
    Main PID: 2663343 (zabbix_proxy)
      Tasks: 32 (limit: 22892)
     Memory: 25.9M
    CGroup: /system.slice/zabbix-proxy.service
```

6. Verify Connectivity

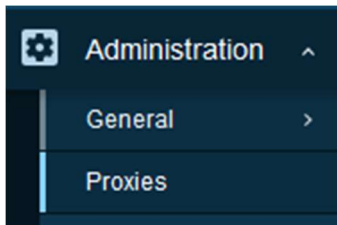
Ensure the Zabbix Proxy is able to communicate with the Zabbix Server:

1. On the Zabbix Proxy host, test the connection to the server:

```
telnet ip-zabbix-proxy 10051
```

2. On the Zabbix Server Web Interface:

- Go to Administration> Proxies.
- Ensure the proxy zbx_proxy_1 is visible and the Last seen timestamp is updating.



 A screenshot of the Zabbix Proxy configuration page for 'zbx_proxy_1'. The 'Proxy' tab is active. The 'Proxy name' is 'zbx_proxy_1', 'Proxy mode' is 'Active', 'Proxy address' is a redacted field, and 'Description' is empty. Below the form are buttons for 'Update', 'Clone', 'Delete', and 'Cancel'. At the bottom, there is an 'Apply' button and a 'Reset' button. A table at the bottom shows the proxy's status:

Name	Mode	Encryption	Compression	Last seen (age)	Host count	Item count	Required performance (tps)	Hosts
zbx_proxy_1	Active	None	On	1s	1	42	0.54	SRV8499-proxy

Note: How to Assign a Host to a Zabbix Proxy

 A screenshot of the Zabbix Host configuration page for 'SRV8499-proxy'. The 'Host' tab is active. The 'Host name' is 'SRV8499-proxy' and 'Visible name' is 'SRV8499-proxy'. The 'Templates' section shows 'Linux by Zabbix agent' selected. The 'Groups' section shows 'Linux servers' selected. The 'Interfaces' section shows an 'Agent' interface with a redacted IP address, 'DNS' selected for 'Connect to', and '10050' for 'Port'. The 'Description' is 'ZABBIX DEVDB02'. The 'Monitored by proxy' dropdown is set to 'zbx_proxy_1'. At the bottom are buttons for 'Update', 'Clone', 'Full clone', 'Delete', and 'Cancel'.

7. Logs and Troubleshooting

If there are issues, check the logs for more details:

1. Zabbix Proxy Logs:

```
sudo tail -f /var/log/zabbix/zabbix_proxy.log
```

2. Zabbix Server Logs:

```
sudo tail -f /var/log/zabbix/zabbix_server.log
```

```
root@[redacted]:/root > sudo tail -f /var/log/zabbix/zabbix_proxy.log
2663666:20241127:094306.629 proxy #25 started [poller #4]
2663669:20241127:094306.630 proxy #28 started [icmp pinger #1]
2663670:20241127:094306.630 proxy #29 started [history poller #1]
2663664:20241127:094306.634 proxy #24 started [poller #3]
2663671:20241127:094306.635 proxy #30 started [availability manager #1]
2663663:20241127:094306.637 proxy #23 started [poller #2]
2663667:20241127:094306.638 proxy #26 started [poller #5]
2663673:20241127:094306.639 proxy #31 started [odbc poller #1]
2663642:20241127:094306.703 proxy #10 started [preprocessing worker #3]
2663630:20241127:094306.724 received configuration data from server at "[redacted]", datalen 36
2663646:20241127:101306.686 executing housekeeper
2663646:20241127:101306.877 housekeeper [deleted 0 records in 0.005711 sec, idle for 1 hour(s)]
```

Summary

This setup uses a local PostgreSQL database for Zabbix Proxy. Both Zabbix Proxy and PostgreSQL run on the same server, reducing network dependencies. Ensure the local database is properly secured and regularly backed up for production use.