

GitHub Copilot Administration & Security

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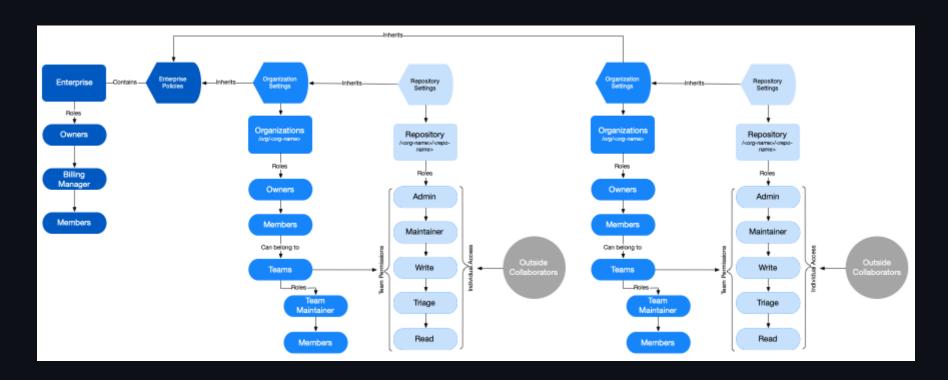


Policies and settings

Govern the usage of GitHub Copilot in your Enterprise



Flow of policies and permissions



Enterprise Admin Policies

Control whether suggestions matching public code is allowed or blocked

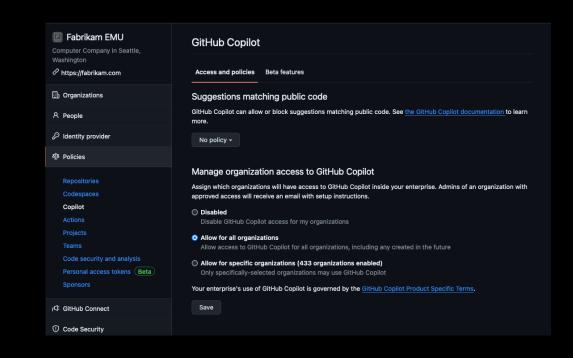
- Blocked
- Allow
- No Policy

Manage organization access to GitHub Copilot.

- Disabled
- Allow for all organizations
- Allow for specific organizations

Manage Copilot Chat access.

- No Policy
- Enabled
- Disabled





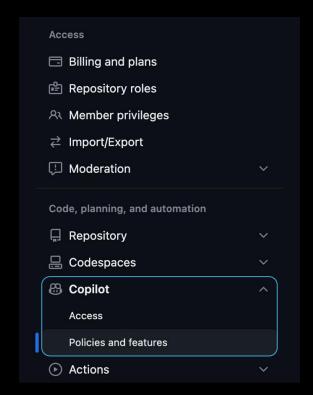
Categorization of Copilot Organization settings

Access

Manage, control and audit the users Copilot interaction

Policies and features

Regulate Copilot functionality and feature enablement

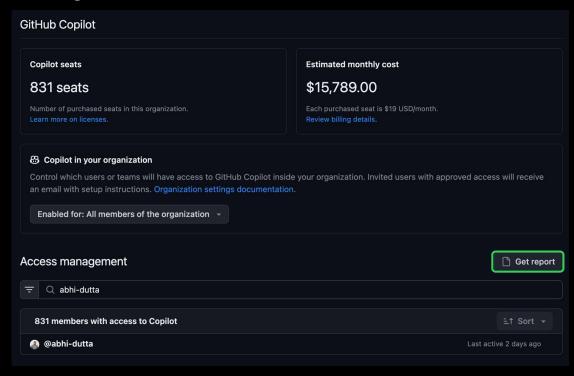




Manage & Control Access

Access Settings

- View Number of Copilot license utilized
- Estimated cost of Copilot
 Usage within the Org
- Policy to enable Copilot for all members in the org or selective members
- Extract report of Copilot activity per user





Access - Copilot user activity report (sample)

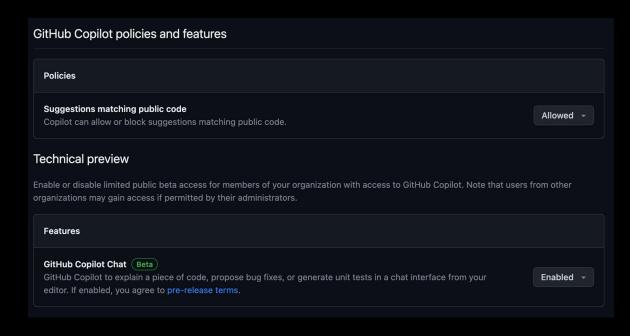
octodemo-seat-usage-1696435416

| Login | Status | Team | Last Activity Date | Last Editor Used |
|---------|--------|---------|--------------------|---|
| Abc | Active | No team | 2023-10-04 | vscode/1.83.0-insider/copilot-chat/0.8.2023092902 |
| Lakes | Active | No team | 2023-09-13 | vscode/1.82.0/copilot-chat/0.7.2023090101 |
| Chaos | Active | No team | 2023-10-04 | vscode/1.82.1/copilot/1.111.404 |
| Akjsda | Active | No team | 2023-10-04 | vscode/1.82.2/copilot-chat/0.7.1 |
| Sbdkajs | Active | No team | 2023-10-04 | vscode/1.82.3/copilot-chat/0.7.1 |
| Asa | Active | No team | 2023-05-26 | vscode/1.78.2/copilot/1.86.82 |
| Baksjdb | Active | No team | 2023-10-04 | vscode/1.82.3/copilot-chat/0.7.2023090101 |
| Jshbda | Active | No team | 2023-10-04 | / |



Policies & Features

- Policies and features settings allow an org owner to define policies which will be applicable to all the users that have been onboarded to GitHub Copilot under the org
- Allows org owners to define whether "public code" matching is allowed in suggestions
- Can users use Copilot Chat (beta) feature in the supported IDE's



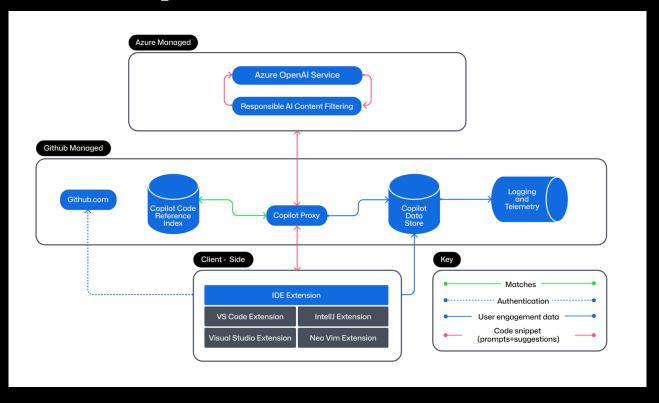




Client Side Settings



Copilot Architecture





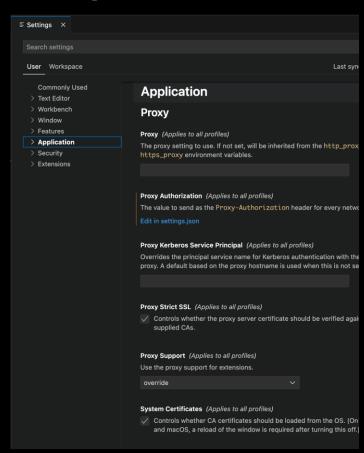
Network Settings

Proxy Settings

- GitHub Copilot supports basic HTTP proxy setups. If you need to authenticate to a proxy, GitHub Copilot supports basic authentication or Kerberos. If the proxy URL starts with https://, the proxy is not currently supported.
- If you don't configure a proxy directly in your editor, GitHub Copilot checks if a proxy URL is set in any of the following environment variables, from highest to lowest priority.
 - HTTPS_PROXY
 - https_proxy
 - HTTP_PROXY
 - http_proxy

Authentication Modes

- Basic Authentication
- Kerberos Authentication



Firewall Settings

If you or your organization employs security measures like a firewall, it may be beneficial to include certain domain URLs in an "allowlist" and open specific ports and protocols.

| Domain and/or URL | Purpose |
|---|-------------------------------------|
| https://github.com/login/* | Authentication |
| https://api.github.com/user | User Management |
| https://api.github.com/copilot_internal/* | User Management |
| https://copilot-telemetry.githubusercontent.com/telemetry | Telemetry |
| https://default.exp-tas.com/ | Telemetry |
| https://copilot-proxy.githubusercontent.com/ | API service for Copilot suggestions |
| https://origin-tracker.githubusercontent.com | API service for Copilot suggestions |
| https://*.githubcopilot.com | API service for Copilot suggestions |





IDE Advanced Settings



Supported IDEs











Visual Studio

Visual Studio Code

Jet Brains

Vim/Neovim

Azure Data Studio



Enable non-programming Meta Files

In settings.json, add

```
"github.copilot.enable":
{
    "*": true,
    "yaml": true,
    "plaintext": false,
    "markdown": true
}
```

```
{} settings.json •
Users > bryantson > Library > Application Support > Code > User > {} settings.json > ...
           "editor.inlineSuggest.enabled": true,
            "github.copilot.enable": {
               "*": true,
                "yaml": true,
               "plaintext": false,
                "markdown": true
           "[python]": {
                "editor.formatOnTvpe": true
            "github.copilot.advanced": {
           "editor.inlineSuggest.showToolbar": "always",
           "window.zoomLevel": 1,
            "appService.connections": []
 19
```





Telemetry

Insights about GitHub Copilot acceptance in your enterprise



Telemetry - GitHub REST API



Get Copilot for Business seat information and settings for an organization

Note: You must authenticate using an access token with the **manage_billing:copilot** scope

GET

/orgs/{org}/copilot/billing

cURL

```
curl -L \
  -H "Accept: application/vnd.github+json" \
  -H "Authorization: Bearer <YOUR-TOKEN>" \
  -H "X-GitHub-Api-Version: 2022-11-28" \
  https://api.github.com/orgs/ORG/copilot/billing
```

Example response

Status: 200

```
{
  "seat_breakdown": {
    "total": 12,
    "added_this_cycle": 9,
    "pending_invitation": 0,
    "pending_cancellation": 0,
    "active_this_cycle": 12,
    "inactive_this_cycle": 11
},
  "seat_management_setting": "assign_selected",
    "public_code_suggestions": "block"
}
```



Telemetry - GitHub Audit Logs

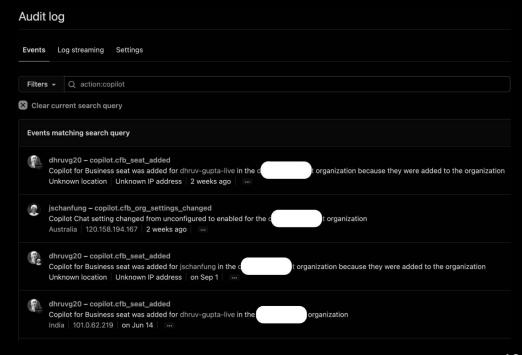


Copilot for Business users will now be able to review updates and changes to their Copilot settings through the audit log.

In large organizations or enterprises, tracking setting updates and purchases is crucial.

Our goal is to empower organization and enterprise admins to investigate changes to their Copilot for Business account and settings independently, eliminating the need to rely on support.









Data privacy

How GitHub protects your data



GitHub Copilot Trust Center

As GitHub's Chief Legal Officer, I understand the nuanced challenges of enabling company-wide AI adoption, especially in an evolving regulatory landscape. GitHub Copilot is enterpriseready, but organizations need to clearly understand how the tool meets their compliance, security, and accessibility requirements.

Our aim is to bring you that clarity with the GitHub Copilot Trust Center.



https://resources.github.com/copilot-trust-center/



What Personal Data is Collected & How?

User Engagement Data

- Events generated with an IDE
- Personal Data such as pseudonymous identifiers

Prompts

- o Collection of code & contextual information to generate suggestions
- User using a designated keyboard shortcut or pauses typing to request a suggestion

Suggestions

One or more lines of proposed code and other output returned



Personal Data

- Uses the source code in IDE only to generate a suggestion.
- Performs several scans to identify and remove certain information within a prompt.
- Prompts are only transmitted to the AI model to generate suggestions in real-time
- Deleted once the suggestions are generated.
- User engagement data is used to improve the performance of the Copilot Service; specifically, it's used to
 - a. Evaluating GitHub Copilot
 - b. Sort algorithms
 - c. Detecting potential abuse of GitHub Copilot
- o Copilot for Business does not use your code to train the Azure OpenAl model



Under the hood - Responding to a prompt

- Suggestions are not copied and pasted from any code database.
- Uses probabilistic reasoning to generate suggestions.
- GitHub Copilot sends a prompt to its AI model, which makes a probabilistic determination of what is likely to come next in your coding sequence and provides suggestions.



Aiding Secure Development

GitHub Copilot leverages a variety of security measures

- o Remove sensitive information in code
- Block insecure coding patterns *
- Detect vulnerable patterns in incomplete fragments of code.

Throughout the SDLC, including code scanning, secret scanning, and dependency management.



^{*} The Copilot prompt needs to be specific in it's request

FAQ

- How long the collected personal data will be retained?
 - User Engagement Data 24 Months
 - o Prompts Discarded once a suggestion is returned
 - Suggestions Not Retained
- Can the users control the sharing & use of their data?
 - User engagement data is required for the use of GitHub Copilot
 - General usage data
 - Pseudonymous identifiers



FAQ

- How does our collected data gets processed by GitHub?
 - Billing & Account Management
 - Produce Aggregated Reports
 - capacity planining, product development, regulatory financial reports
- How's our collected data used?
 - o To measure the impact it has on the user
 - o Fine Tune ranking & Sorting Algorithms and Prompt Crafting
 - o Detect violation of Acceptable Use Policies.
 - o Developers and their use of developer tools and services.



FAQ

- Is Telemetry available?
 - No, Telemetry is not available for Copilot for Business
- Organization-wide policy management
 - Yes, Policy settings can be implemented at an Organization level.
- Audit Logs?
 - o Yes, Audit Logs are available along with Copilot specific events
- Http Proxy Support
 - Yes, HTTP proxy support via custom certificates available





Troubleshooting

Common issues and where to look



Common Issues

- GitHub's <u>Status Page</u>
- Update GitHub Copilot Extension
- Error: "GitHub Copilot could not connect to server. Extension activation failed"
- Open <u>Discussions on Copilot Community</u> with relevant files



Viewing Logs for GitHub Copilot

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Firewall settings



GitHub Copilot's requires connectivity to these domain URLs

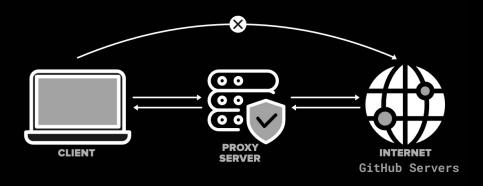
- Organization employs security measures like a firewall or proxy server
- Allowlist domain URLs, specific ports & protocols
- Interaction with Remote Learning Model
- Trusted domain URLs

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Network Proxy setup

- Company Equipment or Corporate Network
- Connecting to Internet via VPN or HTTP Proxy server
- Prevent connecting to GitHub' Servers





Network Proxy Errors

- Error: GitHub Copilot could not connect to server. Extension activation failed:
 "read ETIMEDOUT" or "read ECONNRESET"
- Configuring network settings for GitHub Copilot
- Proxy Specific errors:
 - o Proxy's URL https://currently not supported by GitHub Copilot
 - Authenticated supported basic authentication or with Kerberos
 - Custom certificates issues



Diagnosing Network Issues

- curl requests with --verbose
- curl --verbose https://copilot-proxy.githubusercontent.com/ ping
- curl --verbose -x http://YOUR-PROXY-URL:PORT -i -L https://copilot-proxy.githubusercontent.com/_ping --insecure -> Certificate related issues
- diagnostic logs from editors

Diagnosing network issues



Certificate Problems

- Errors: "certificate signature failure", "custom certificate", or "unable to verify the first certificate"
- Github Copilot for Business supports Custom Certificates
- Corporate proxy configurations
- Check GitHub Copilot certificate path
- Ignore Certificate Errors in Proxy settings
 Warning: Ignoring certificate errors can cause security issues and is not recommended







Integrations

Use GitHub Copilor Endpoints and data with Enterprise tools



REST API - Copilot for Business

API Endpoints

- Get Copilot for Business seat information and settings for an organization
- List all Copilot for Business seat assignments for an organization
- Add teams to the Copilot for Business subscription for an organization
- Remove teams from the Copilot for Business subscription for an organization
- Add users to the Copilot for Business subscription for an organization
- Remove users from the Copilot for Business subscription for an organization
- Get Copilot for Business seat assignment details for a user



Audit Logs

Review the configuration actions taken by users at an Organisation & Enterprise level.

- Organization's Copilot settings and policies
 - Changes to the Enablement Policy
 - Org Settings changes
 - Enterprise settings changes
- Addition or removal of seats
 - Seat management changed
 - Seat assignment reused
 - Seat assignment refreshed
- Editor chat Settings
- Code Referencing Settings



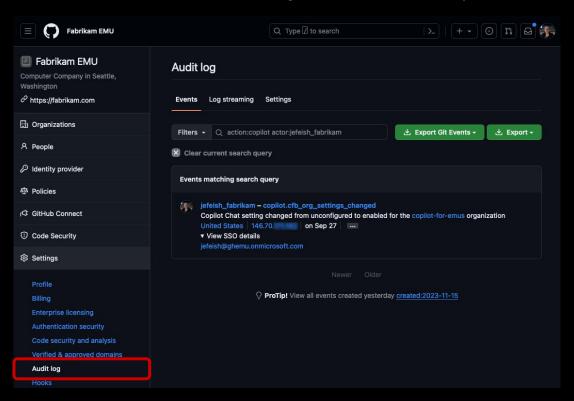
Audit Log Events

| cfb_enterprise_settings_changed | copilot.cfb_seat_cancelled |
|---|--|
| copilot.cfb_enterprise_org_enablement_changed | copilot.cfb_seat_assignment_reused |
| clickwrap_save_event | copilot.cfb_seat_assignment_refreshed |
| cfb_org_settings_changed | copilot.cfb_seat_assignment_created |
| copilot.cfb_seat_cancelled_by_staff | copilot.cfb_seat_assignment_unassigned |
| cfb_seat_management_changed | editor_chat_setting |
| copilot.cfb_seat_added | code_referencing_setting |



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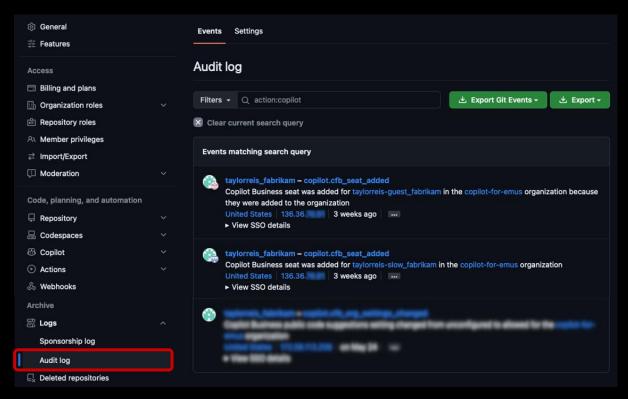
To review the actions taken by users at an Enterprise level.





Audit Logs

To review the actions taken by users at an Organisation level.







Q & A



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