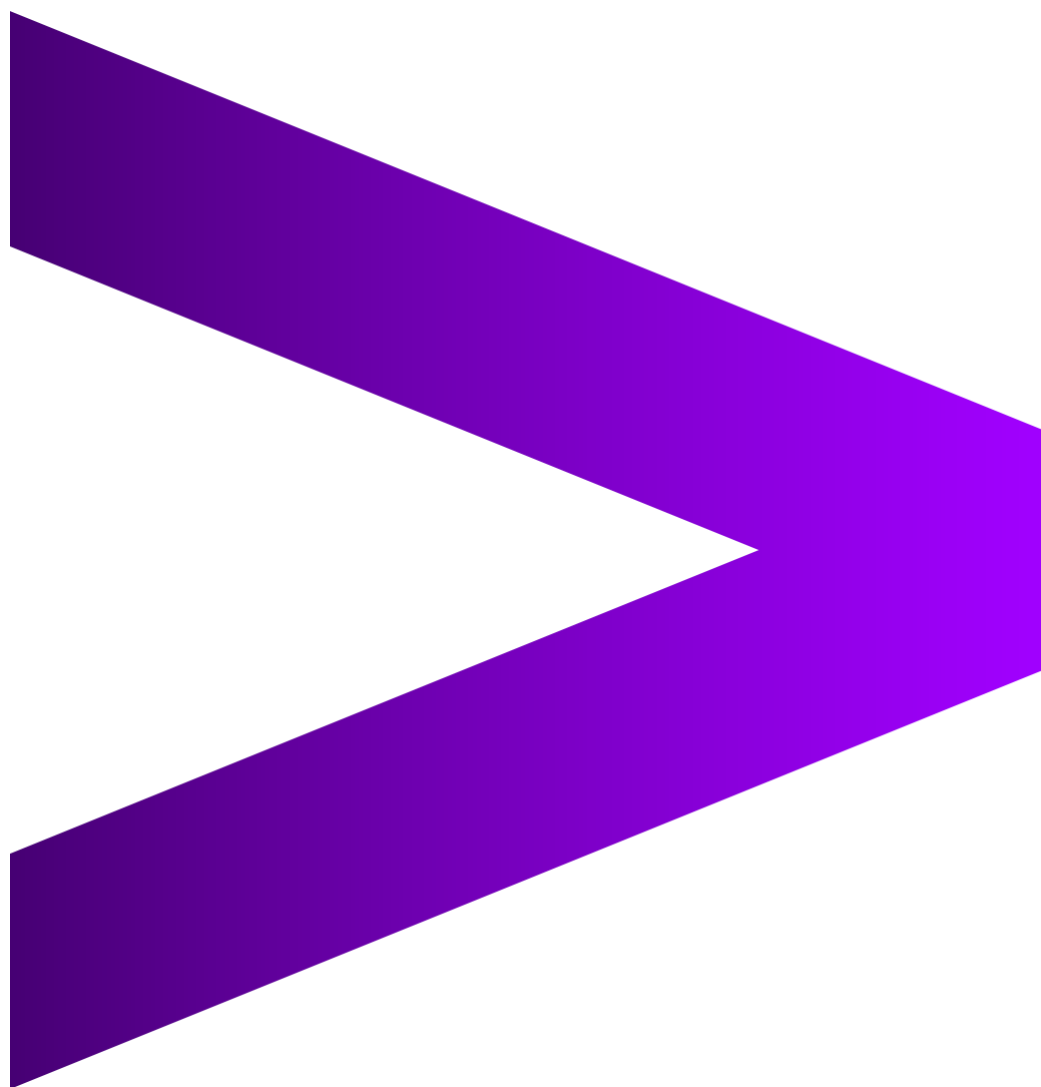


ACTI ADD-ON FOR SPLUNK

ACCENTURE CYBER THREAT INTELLIGENCE



Accenture Security

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About

The iDefense Technology Add-on provides an easy way to interact with iDefense IntelGraph API by loading threat indicators into the Splunk Enterprise Security Threat Intelligence Framework.

Requirements

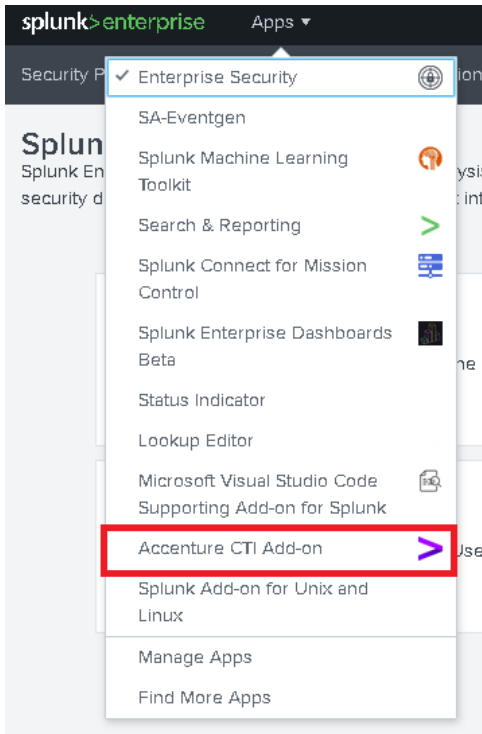
Current Add On Version	Supported Version of Splunk Enterprise
3.0.0	8.1, 8.0, 7.3
3.1.0	8.2, 8.1, 8.0
3.2.0	8.2, 8.1, 8.0

- Enterprise for Security must be installed for the TA to function correctly.
- The customer must have a subscription to Threat Indicator API and be able to generate an API token from the iDefense IntelGraph portal.

Installation and Configuration

Installation

- Generate API token from IG portal at the [user profile page](#). The token must have at least the "iGraph Read API Threat Indicator" role.
- Install the add-on from [Splunkbase](#) into the Splunk Search Head containing Splunk ES.
- Once installed, click on the "Apps" drop-down menu, then on the iDefense Intelgraph Add-On.



- Then click on Continue to App Setup Page.


App configuration

The "Accenture CTI Add-on" app has not been fully configured yet.

This app has configuration properties that can be customized for this Splunk instance. Depending on the app, these properties may or may not be required.

[Continue to app setup page](#)

- In the next page, paste the API key previously generated, then submit.

splunk>enterprise Apps  Administrator ▾

Accenture CTI Health Check Search Reports Alerts Setup

Setup

Welcome to Accenture CTI Credentials Setup Page!

API Access Token:

Please specify the API token that will be used to authenticate to the API.

- If you need to configure proxy, provide the proxy parameters in the same page:

Proxy Settings

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HTTP Proxy

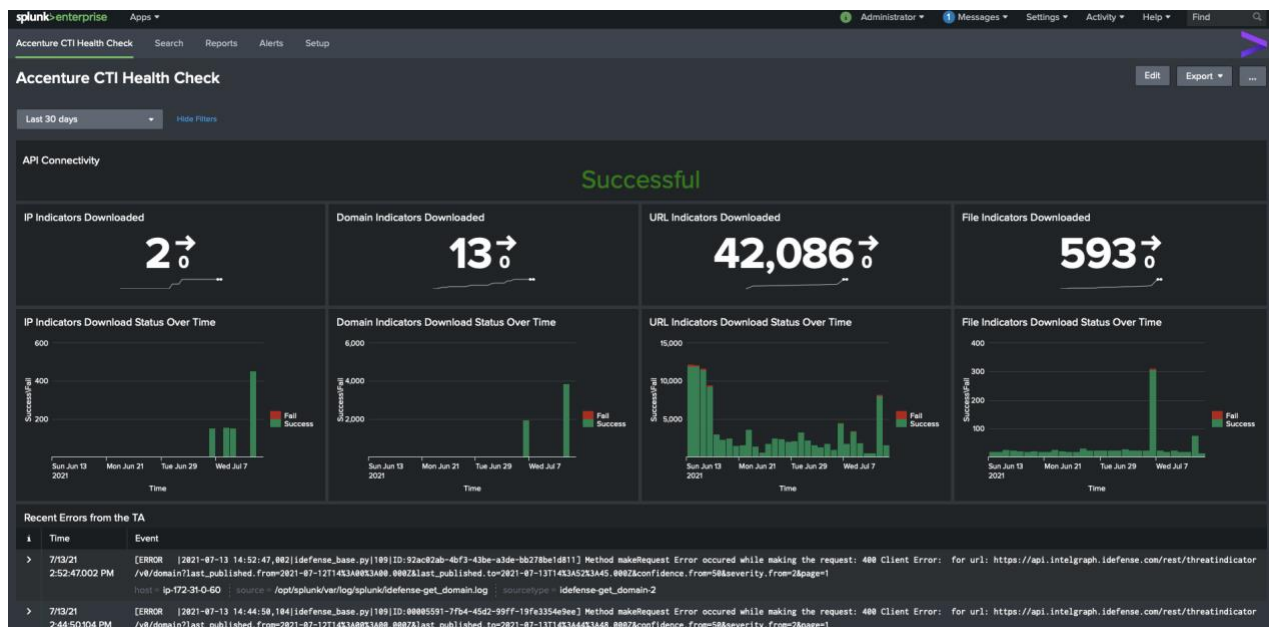
Please specify the HTTP Proxy if applicable.

HTTPS Proxy

No Proxy

Submit

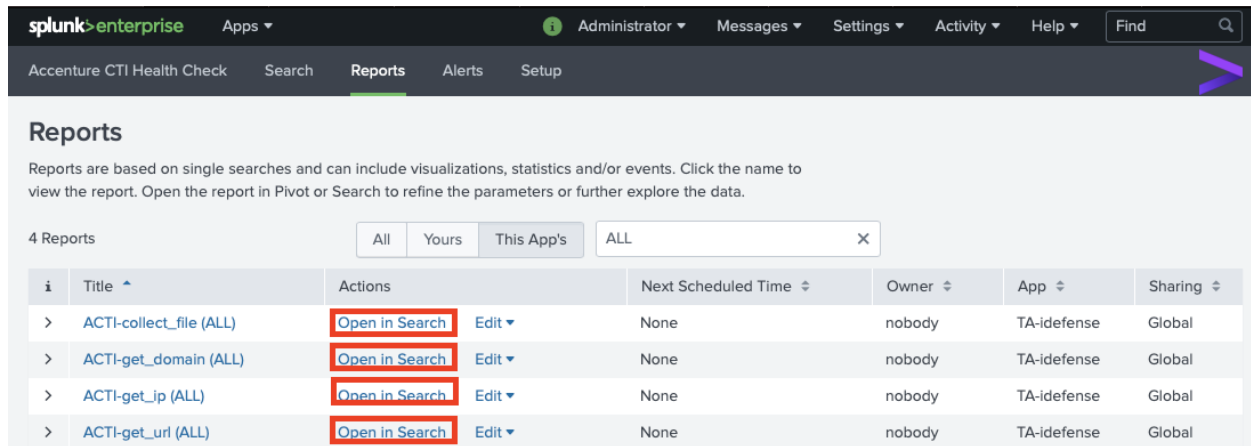
- Clicking on the app should now present the Health Check Dashboard. Connectivity to the API server should show as successful in the Health Check Dashboard.



Manually Load Historical Threat Intelligence

The Technical Add-On automatically fetches Threat Intelligence updates every 4 hours from Accenture IntelGraph. However, after the first install, the data can be downloaded manually for the first time to get historical context and alerts for historical intelligence data. To do this, run the following searches, in the following order:

1. ACTI-get_url (ALL)
2. ACTI-get_ip (ALL)
3. ACTI-get_domain (ALL)
4. ACTI-collect_file(ALL)



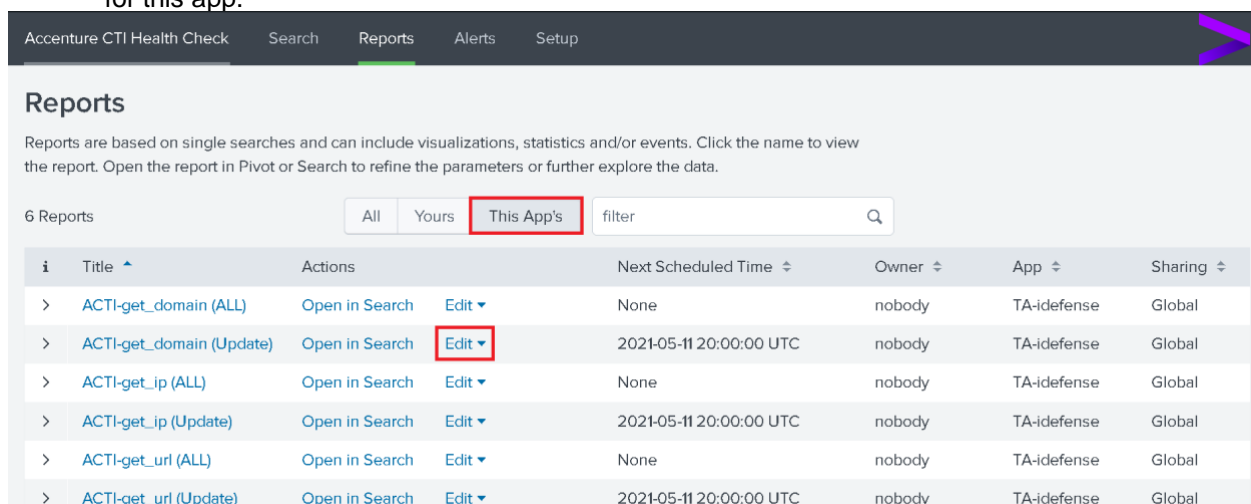
The screenshot shows the Splunk interface with the 'Reports' tab selected. The 'Reports' section displays a list of four reports. Each report has an 'Open in Search' button highlighted with a red box. The reports are:

i	Title	Actions	Next Scheduled Time	Owner	App	Sharing
>	ACTI-collect_file (ALL)	Open in Search, Edit	None	nobody	TA-idefense	Global
>	ACTI-get_domain (ALL)	Open in Search, Edit	None	nobody	TA-idefense	Global
>	ACTI-get_ip (ALL)	Open in Search, Edit	None	nobody	TA-idefense	Global
>	ACTI-get_url (ALL)	Open in Search, Edit	None	nobody	TA-idefense	Global

Change Intelligence Download Frequency

The TA downloads threat intel updates every four hours by default. However, this interval can be configured within Splunk by following the steps below:

- Navigate to the App in Splunk, then to the Reports Tab. Update the filter to show reports only within the scope for this app.



The screenshot shows the Splunk interface with the 'Reports' tab selected. The 'Reports' section displays a list of six reports. The filter is set to 'This App's'. The reports are:

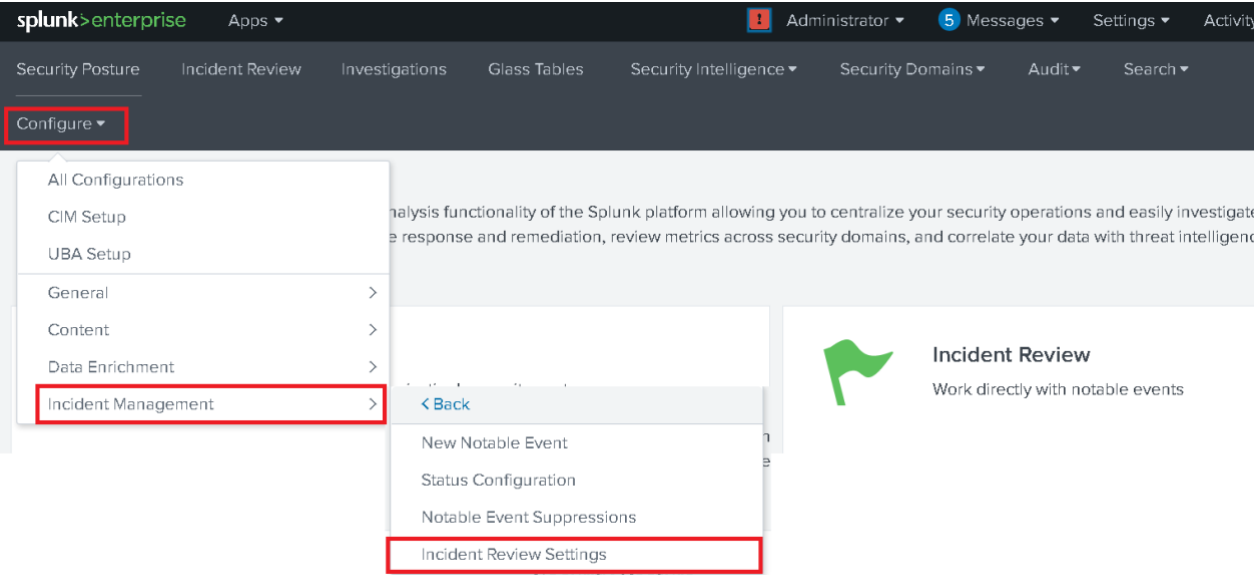
i	Title	Actions	Next Scheduled Time	Owner	App	Sharing
>	ACTI-get_domain (ALL)	Open in Search, Edit	None	nobody	TA-idefense	Global
>	ACTI-get_domain (Update)	Open in Search, Edit	2021-05-11 20:00:00 UTC	nobody	TA-idefense	Global
>	ACTI-get_ip (ALL)	Open in Search, Edit	None	nobody	TA-idefense	Global
>	ACTI-get_ip (Update)	Open in Search, Edit	2021-05-11 20:00:00 UTC	nobody	TA-idefense	Global
>	ACTI-get_url (ALL)	Open in Search, Edit	None	nobody	TA-idefense	Global
>	ACTI-get_url (Update)	Open in Search, Edit	2021-05-11 20:00:00 UTC	nobody	TA-idefense	Global

- Click on Edit > Edit Schedule for the Intel type that you wish to update the download frequency. Then change the CRON schedule as necessary.

Adding Accenture CTI Notable Review Fields to Splunk ES

For data and notable enrichment, it is recommended to add Accenture CTI-specific notable review fields to Splunk ES. Please note that this is a required step if using the Splunk Mission Control Plugin. To add notable review fields, follow the steps below:

- Navigate to the Enterprise Security App, then to Configure > Incident Management > Incident Review Settings.



- In the Incident Review - Event Attributes, add the following Fields and Labels.

Field	Label
acti_confidence	ACTI Confidence Score
acti_key	ACTI Key
acti_key_type	ACTI Key Type
acti_last_published	ACTI Published Date
acti_malware_family	ACTI Malware Family
acti_severity	ACTI Severity
acti_threat_campaigns	ACTI Threat Campaigns
acti_threat_types	ACTI Threat Types
acti_uuid	ACTI UUID

- Click on Save, once finished adding the fields.

bytes_out	Bytes Out	Edit Remove
category	Category	Edit Remove
change_type	Change Type	Edit Remove
channel	Channel	Edit Remove
command	Command	Edit Remove
cpu_load_percent	CPU Load (%)	Edit Remove
creator	Creator	Edit Remove
+ Add Field		

[Back to ES Configuration](#)

[Save](#)

Configure Threat Intelligence Retention

There are two sets of threat intelligence retention management. One is used manage alerting from IOCs that are older than defined threshold, and the other is used to remove IOCs from the system, after a certain time has passed.

Retention Management for Threat Match Alerts

The IOCs are removed from the Splunk Threat Intelligence KV store, to avoid alerts from old IOCs that are no longer relevant. Following aging criteria is used to remove the IOCs.

- Cyber Espionage: 2 years
- IOCs associated with Threat Groups: 120 Days
- IOCs associated with Threat Campaigns: 120 Days
- Default: 60 Days

Following queries run once a day, to enforce aging criteria:

- ACTI_File_Splunk_TI_Retention
- ACTI_IP-Domain_Splunk_TI_Retention
- ACTI_URL_Splunk_TI_Retention

The aging criteria explained above can be modified, if desired with following lookups:

- acti_ti_retention

Retention Management for ACTI IOCs

The IOCs are removed from the ACTI KV stores and Splunk system completely, after they have aged 5 years from the last_published date. Following saved search, that runs every day, purges older IOCs:

- ACTI_Internal_Retention

The aging criteria for retention can also be configured by modifying the search above.

Contents

Threat Intelligence KV Store

The add-on stores the threat intelligence data from iDefense IntelGraph in the Splunk KV stores. The KV store for each intelligence type and their schema is as follows:

- acti_threatindicator_ip
- acti_threatindicator_domain
- acti_threatindicator_url
- acti_threatindicator_file

uuid	string	The UUID for the indicator in IntelGraph.
type	string	Denotes indicator type (IP, Domain or URL).
threat_types	array	List of associated critical intelligence requirement (CIR) types.
threat_campaigns	array	Threat Campaigns the indicator is associated with, if any.
severity	number	Numerical representation of severity from 1 to 5 with 1 being the least severe and 5 the most severe with the following options: Minimal, Low, Medium, High, Extreme.
seen_at	array	Other nodes in IntelGraph where this indicator was observed.
mentioned_by	array	If this indicator is mentioned by other nodes in IntelGraph.
malware_family	array	Classification of Malware, if associated with malware
last_seen_as	array	Lists any other Indicators that this might have been associated with.
last_seen	string	Date when the indicator was last observed in action.
last_published	string	Date when the indicator was published in IntelGraph.

idn (Domain Only)	array	Internationalized Domain Name, if the actual domain is in PunyCode
files	array	Files associated with this indicator.
confidence	array	Confidence Score for the indicator.
asns (IP only)	array	Autonomous System Numbers associated with the IP, if any.
arguments (URL Only)	array	List of arguments objects each containing a key value pair
md5 (File Only)	String	File Hash in MD5
Sha1 (File Only)	String	File hash in Sha1
Sha256 (File Only)	String	File hash in Sha256

The KV store above can be used to correlate against any logs and data models using the `lookup` and `inputlookup` command. The data from above KV store also gets incorporated into the Splunk's Threat Intelligence Framework. The data gets stored into the following KV stores that are within Splunk ES:

- ip_intel
- http_intel
- file_intel

Check this [link](#) for more information on the Splunk's threat intel framework.

Macros for Data Enrichment

The add on comes packaged with following Splunk Macros that can be used for enriching events with ACTI threat fields and used to correlate events:

- acti_enrich_ip(\$ip\$)
- acti_enrich_domain(\$domain\$)
- acti_enrich_url(\$url\$)
- acti_enrich_indicator(\$indicator\$)
- acti_enrich_file_md5(\$indicator\$)
- acti_enrich_file_sha1(\$indicator\$)
- acti_enrich_file_sha256(\$indicator\$)

Use the macros above to look up IP addresses, domain names, URLs, or an indicator in general in the local ACTI KV store. Here is an example of the usage of the indicator enrichment macro:

New Search

```
sourcetype="cisco:asa"
| `acti_enrich_indicator(src)`
| where isnotnull(acti_key)
```

40,394 of 340,700 events matched **No Event Sampling** Enable event sampling to run the search and return a random set of events.

Events (38,903) Patterns Statistics Visualization

Format Timeline Zoom Out Zoom to Selection Deselect 1 hour per column

May 12, 2021 9:00 AM

List Format 20 Per Page Prev 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 ... Next

Time	Event
5/12/21 5:31:58.000 PM	May 12 17:31:58 FROTHLY-FW1 %ASA-2-106001: Inbound TCP connection denied from 90.190.252.235/443 to 192.168.10.18/11144 flags FIN ACK on interface outside

SELECTED FIELDS

- acti_associated_files 31
- acti_confidence 1
- acti_key 50
- acti_key_type 1
- acti_last_modified 38
- acti_last_published 34
- acti_last_seen 14

Event Details:

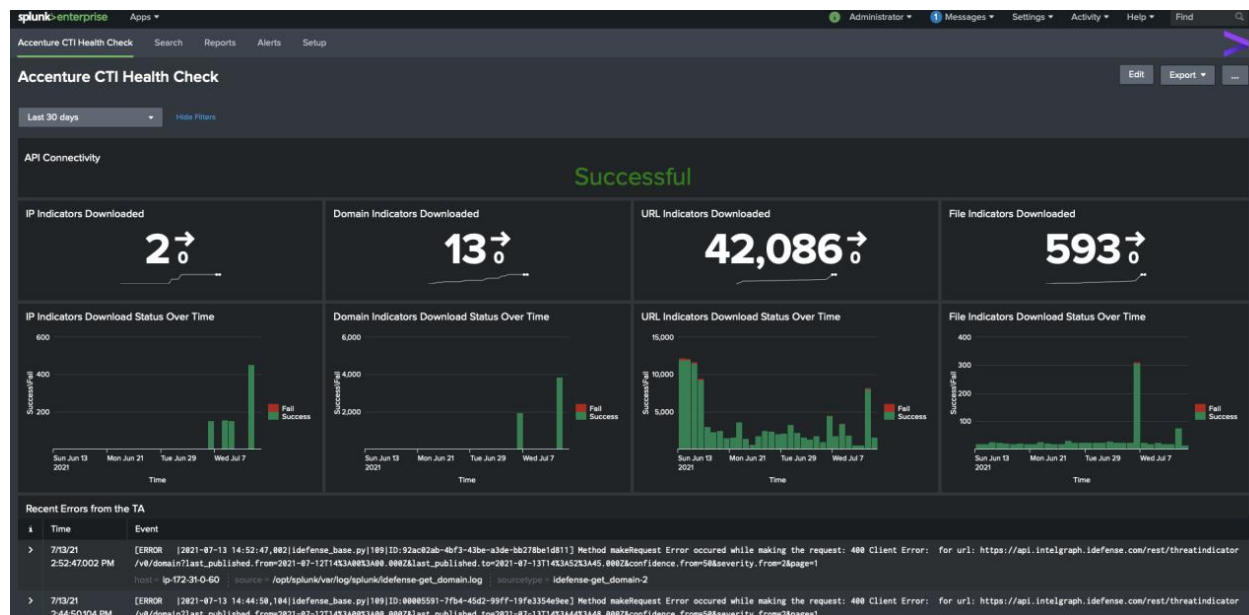
```
acti_associated_files = leab299d86019a180fed97ebf03b185 acti_confidence = 100
acti_key = 90.190.252.235 acti_key_type = ip acti_last_modified = 2017-01-13T17:36:55.000Z
acti_last_published = 2017-01-13T16:46:28.000Z acti_last_seen = 2017-01-13T17:36:08.000Z
acti_last_seen_as = MALWARE_C2 acti_malware_family = Cobalt Strike acti_severity = 4
acti_threat_types = Cyber Espionage acti_threat_types = Cyber Crime
acti_uuid = dd169b1a-5bbb-4ece-a337-5a3a17e39618 host = 1270.01 source = eventgen:asa
```

Accenture CTI Integration Health Check Dashboard

The add-on has a Health Check Dashboard that admins can use to check the health of the integration between Accenture CTI and Splunk. The Health Check dashboard has the following panels:

- **API Connectivity:** Shows the Connectivity Status to the ACTI API endpoints.
- **IP, Domain, URL Indicators Download:** Shows the number of indicators downloaded over the given time range.
- **IP, Domain, URL Indicator Download Status:** Shows each time the TA tried to pull indicators from ACTI and whether those attempts were successful.
- **Final Panel** shows recent errors from the TA.

The Health Check Dashboard appears as follows:



Correlation Search/Alert: iDefense Threat Match

This TA comes bundled with a correlation search that triggers Splunk ES notables. This search looks for any indicator matches for data that is correctly parsed into either the Splunk Common Information Model and the threat intelligence data model. The correlation search is disabled by default so as to avoid unintentional impact to the customers SOC environment. The customer can enable the correlation search to enable alerts for any indicator matches against appropriately onboarded data. Following is an example of a notable that gets triggered by this alert:

1	Time ↕	Security Domain ↕	Title ↕	Urgency ↕	Status ↕	Owner ↕	Actions
	5/11/21 5:05:04.000 PM	Threat	ACTI Threat Activity Detected for 109.206.187130 in Sourcetype cisco:asa	Medium	New	unassigned	
Description:				Related Investigations:			
Threat Activity was detected for 109.206.187130 from ACTI Threat Indicator List for sourcetype: cisco:asa and field: dest				Currently not investigated.			
Additional Fields				Correlation Search:			
				Threat - ACTI Threat Match			
				History:			
				View all review activity for this Notable Event			
				Contributing Events:			
				Search cisco:asa for 109.206.187130 in field dest			
				Original Event:			
				<pre>05/11/2021 16:15:00 +0000, search_name="Threat - Source And Destination Matc hes - Threat Gen", search_now=1620749700.000, info_min_time=1620747000.000, info_max_time=1620749700.000, info_search_time=1620749702.266, src="192.168. 9.26", dest="109.206.187.130", weight=100, threat_match_field=dest, threat_m atch_value="109.206.187.130", orig_sourcetype="cisco:asa", threat_key=acti_i p_ioc, threat_collection=ip_intel, threat_collection_key="acti_ip_ioc 109.20 6.187.130"</pre>			
				View original event			

If the default correlation search for threat match is enabled ("Threat - Threat List Activity - Rule"), then this can cause problems. Enabling the correlation search above might lead to duplicate notables for the same threat types. To disable or suppress duplicate notables, add the following suppression rules:

Edit Suppression

Name

Suppress Duplicate Threat Match

Description

Suppression rule to suppress duplicate notables

Search

`get_notable_index` search_name="Threat - Threat List Activity - Rule"
threat_group=idefense_*_ioc OR threat_group=acti_*_ioc

Full search preview

`get_notable_index` search_name="Threat - Threat List Activity - Rule" threat_group=idefense_*_ioc OR threat_group=acti_*_ioc
_time>1618549200

Use Start Time

☒

Start Time

4/16/2021

Events before this time will not be suppressed.

Use Expiration Time

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Expiration Time

5/12/2021

Events after this time will not be suppressed.

Cancel

Save

Troubleshooting

Where to find the Logs for this Add-On

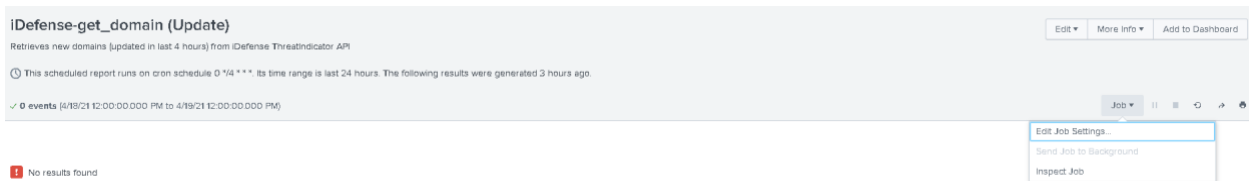
This add-on logs to the following locations:

- \$SPLUNK_HOME/var/log/idefense-get_ip.log
- \$SPLUNK_HOME/var/log/idefense-get_domain.log
- \$SPLUNK_HOME/var/log/idefense-get_url.log
- \$SPLUNK_HOME/var/log/idefense-collect_file.log
- \$SPLUNK_HOME/var/log/idefense-validate.log

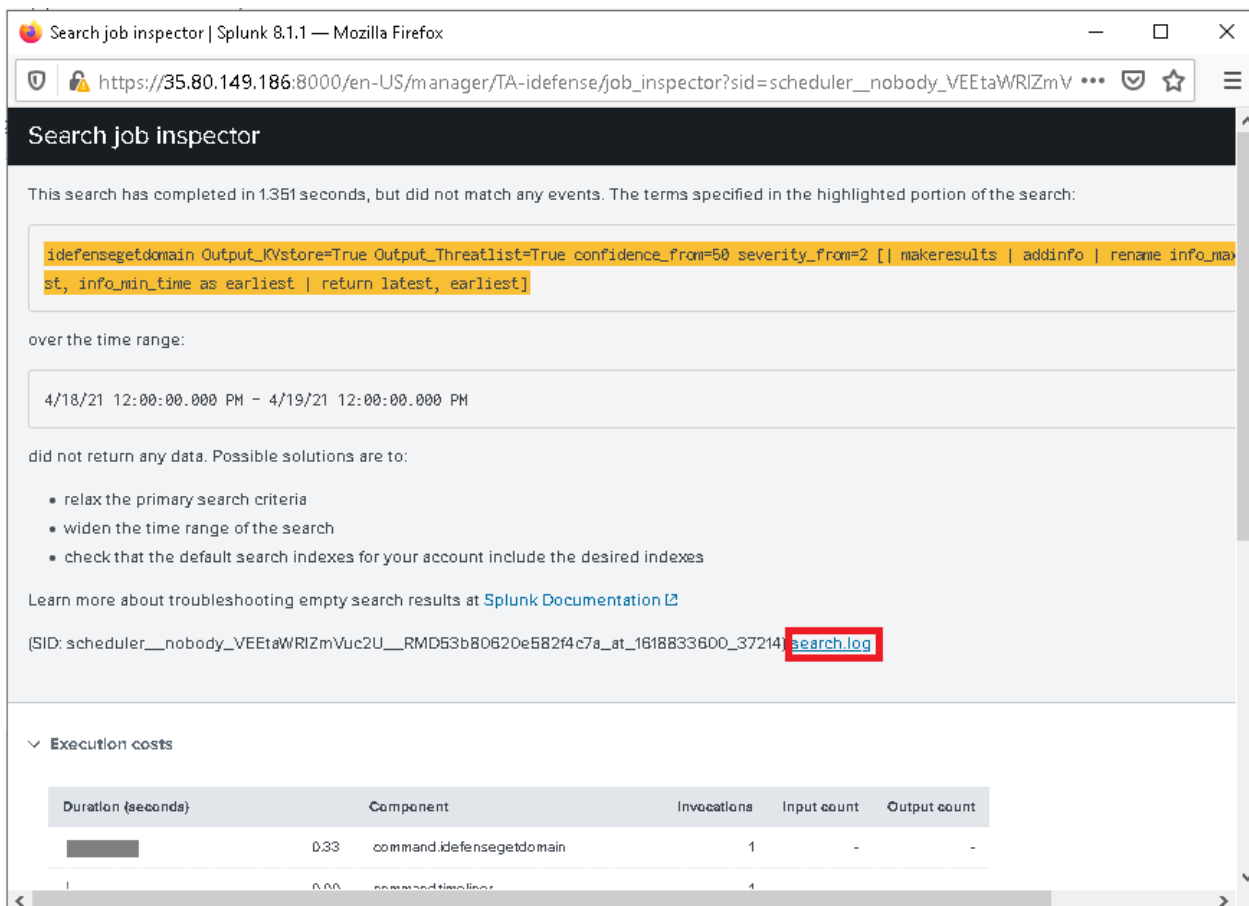
The logs for each run of a TI pull can also be viewed in the Search Head UI, by viewing the search log. To view this log for a TI download that was run recently, follow the steps below:

- Navigate to the app's Home Page, then click on Reports. Then update the filters to view contents for only this app.

- Then, click on the report or TI pull that you want to view logs for. Then click on Job and then Inspect Job.



- Click on "search.log" in the pop-up that comes up to view search logs for the last run of the TI pull.



Changing Log Level

The log level for the add-on can be changed by updating its configuration file. To update the log level for the app, follow the steps below:

- Create a file named "idefense.conf" in the directory \$SPLUNK_HOME/etc/apps/TA-idefense/local/
- Add the following config to the file above:

```
[default]
log_level=INFO
#Following values are allowed for log level
# INFO, WARNING, ERROR, CRITICAL
```

Restarting the Splunk service is not required for the above config file to take effect.

Health Check Dashboard

The add-on comes with a Health Check Dashboard, providing a single place to view the health of integration between Splunk and IntelGraph. Please refer to the Health Check Dashboard [section](#) for more information.

Splunk Mission Control

Getting the add-on ready for Splunk Mission Control

The following steps will ensure that the ACTI IntelGraph integration works with Splunk Mission Control Plugin for ACTI:

Complete the installation and requirement of this TA on all of the Splunk ES Search Heads.

Add ACTI Notable Fields in the Notable Review Settings.

Enable the ACTI Threat Match Correlation Search.