

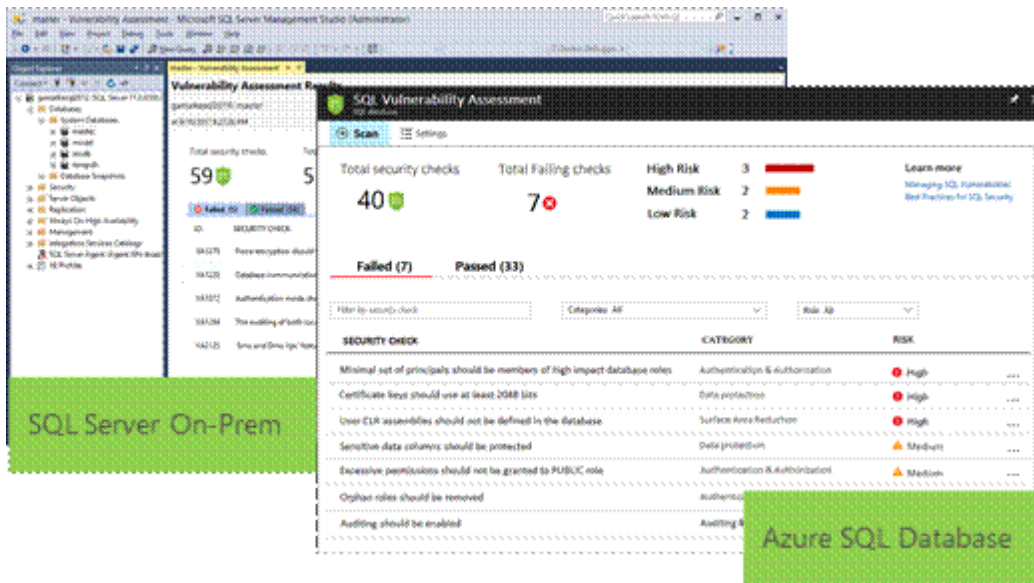
Outdated - Help spread the word about SQL Vulnerability Assessment!

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A couple of months ago, we released **SQL Vulnerability Assessment (VA)** to public preview, offering SQL customers a new service to help them manage and improve their database security stature. VA is available for Azure SQL DB via an integrated experience in the Azure Portal, and also for SQL Server 2012 and up via a new option soon to be released in SSMS!



Customers

We've seen an overwhelmingly positive reaction from customers who have already started using VA, as well as from field teams who foresee VA offering a huge value to their customers.

"I personally like the tool, and the feedback from other teams has been positive. Everyone found the tool very easy to run, the findings easy to understand, and fixes were straightforward thanks to the remediation scripts." (Anton Popov, Principal Security Engineer and Schneider Electric Software, LLC)

"This is another example of Microsoft making security more approachable, even if you are not a security expert. After running a scan you will probably see some quick wins making your database

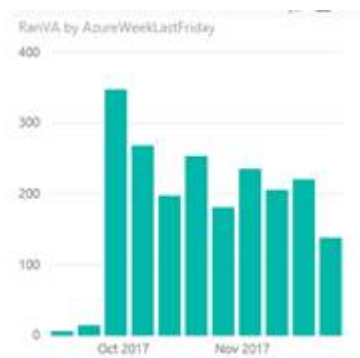
more secure step by step." ([Tom Kerkhove](#), Azure consultant at Codit says)

"Microsoft is making great strides in automating away operational DBA tasks. If you ever need proof, just have a look at all the great stuff they are doing with data security." (Thomas LaRock, SQL MVP)

"It is pretty comprehensive. It's super simple, nothing to configure, just run, that's it." (Andreas Wolter, Founder of Sarpedon Quality Lab)

Adoption

The adoption numbers of VA so far speak to this high level of enthusiasm. We've had **1400 unique customer subscriptions** already try out VA and run scans on over **1670 unique Azure SQL Databases**.



Publicity and Resources

Channel 9 video: <https://channel9.msdn.com/Shows/Data-Exposed/Track-and-remediate-potential-database-vulnerabilities-with-SQL-Vulnerability-Assessment>

Azure podcast on VA: <http://azpodcast.azurewebsites.net/post/Episode-205-SQL-Vulnerability-Assessment>

Getting Started doc: <https://docs.microsoft.com/azure/sql-database/sql-vulnerability-assessment>

Azure announcement blog: <https://azure.microsoft.com/blog/introducing-sql-vulnerability-assessment-for-azure-sql-database-and-on-premises-sql-server/>

A small sampling of Press and Community blogs and articles:

<https://www.infoq.com/news/2017/11/azure-sql-intelligence>

<https://thomaslarock.com/2017/10/sql-vulnerability-assessment/>

<https://blobeater.blog/2017/09/28/checking-out-sql-vulnerability-assessment/>

<http://blog.hametbenoit.info/Lists/Posts/Post.aspx?ID=961>

<https://www.codit.eu/blog/2017/10/13/security-data-monitoring-announcements-at-ignite-2017/>

Classification

Root cause Tree - Security/User Request/How-to/advisory

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