RBD Caching Parameters

Parameter	Description	Default
rbd_cache	Enable RBD caching. Value=true false.	true
rbd_cache_size	Cache size in bytes per RBD image. Value= <i>n</i> .	32 MB
rbd_cache_max_dirty	Maximum dirty bytes allowed per RBD image. Value=n.	24 MB
rbd_cache_target_dirty	Dirty bytes to start preemptive flush per RBD image. Value=n.	16 MB
rbd_cache_max_dirty_age	Maximum page age in seconds before flush. Value=n.	1
rbd_cache_writethrough_until_flush	Start in write-through mode until performing the first flush. Value=true false.	true

Run ceph config set client parameter value command or ceph config set global parameter value command for client or global, respectively.



Note

When using librbd with Red Hat OpenStack Platform, create separate Cephx user names for OpenStack Cinder, Nova, and Glance. By following this recommended practice, you can create different caching strategies based on the type of RBD images that your Red Hat OpenStack Platform environment accesses.

Tuning the RBD Image Format

RBD images are striped over objects and stored in a RADOS object store. Red Hat Ceph Storage provides parameters that define how these images are striped.

RADOS Block Device Image Layout

All objects in an RBD image have a name that starts with the value contained in the RBD Block Name Prefix field of each RBD image and displayed using the rbd info command. After this prefix, there is a period (.), followed by the object number. The value for the object number field is a 12-character hexadecimal number.

```
[root@node ~]# rbd info rbdimage
rbd image 'rbdimage':
    size 10240{nbsp}MB in 2560 objects
    order 22 (4 MiB objects)
    snapshot_count: 0
    id: 867cba5c2d68
    block_name_prefix: rbd_data.867cba5c2d68
    format: 2
    features: layering, exclusive-lock, object-map, fast-diff, deep-flatten
```