

# Environment Preperation

## Creating Users

You will need to create new users for running Prometheus securely. This can be done by doing:

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```
Copy sudo useradd --no-create-home --shell /usr/sbin/nologin prometheus sudo useradd --no-create-home --shell /bin/false node_exporter
```

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## Creating Directories

1. Create the directories for storing the Prometheus binaries and its config files:
- 2.

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```
Copy sudo mkdir /etc/prometheus sudo mkdir /var/lib/prometheus
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## Set Directory Ownership

1. Set the ownership of these directories to ourprometheus
2. user, to make sure that Prometheus can access to these folders:
- 3.

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```
Copy sudo chown prometheus:prometheus /etc/prometheus sudo chown prometheus:prometheus /var/lib/prometheus
```

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