

# Production Security Hardening Configuration Guide

This guide provides detailed configurations for securing your ThreatCompass deployment in production.

## 1. RDS Secret Rotation Setup

### Enable Automatic Secret Rotation

The Terraform templates already create the necessary secrets. To enable automatic rotation:

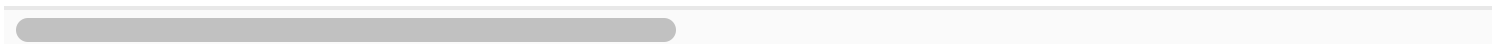
```
bash
```

```
# Create rotation Lambda function (AWS provides this)
```

```
aws secretsmanager update-secret \  
  --secret-id threatcompass-production/database/credentials \  
  --secret-string '{"username":"threatcompass_admin","password":"NEW_PASSV"  
  --region us-east-1
```

```
# Enable rotation (30-day cycle)
```

```
aws secretsmanager rotate-secret \  
  --secret-id threatcompass-production/database/credentials \  
  --rotation-rules AutomaticallyAfterDays=30 \  
  --region us-east-1
```



# Application Configuration for Secret Rotation

Update your Flask application configuration:

python

*# config.py - Add to your existing config*

```
import boto3
```

```
import json
```

```
from botocore.exceptions import ClientError
```

```
class ProductionConfig(Config):
```

```
    @staticmethod
```

```
    def get_secret(secret_name, region_name="us-east-1"):
```

```
        """Retrieve secrets from AWS Secrets Manager"""
```

```
        session = boto3.session.Session()
```

```
        client = session.client(
```

```
            service_name='secretsmanager',
```

```
            region_name=region_name
```

```
        )
```

```
        try:
```

```
            get_secret_value_response = client.get_secret_value(
```

```
                SecretId=secret_name
```

```
            )
```

```
            secret = json.loads(get_secret_value_response['SecretString'])
```

```
            return secret
```

```
        except ClientError as e:
```

```
            raise e
```

```
    def __init__(self):
```

```
        # Get database credentials from Secrets Manager
```

```
        db_secret = self.get_secret("threatcompass-production/database/credentials")
```

```
        redis_secret = self.get_secret("threatcompass-production/redis/credentials")
```

```
app_secret = self.get_secret("threatcompass-production/app/secrets")
```

```
# Set configuration from secrets
```

```
self.SQLALCHEMY_DATABASE_URI = db_secret['url']
```

```
self.CELERY_BROKER_URL = redis_secret['url']
```

```
self.CELERY_RESULT_BACKEND = redis_secret['url']
```

```
self.SECRET_KEY = app_secret['flask_secret_key']
```

```
self.VT_API_KEY = app_secret.get('virustotal_api_key', '')
```

```
self.ABUSEIPDB_API_KEY = app_secret.get('abuseipdb_api_key', '')
```

## 2. SSL Certificate Management with AWS ACM

### Option A: Using AWS Certificate Manager (Recommended)

If you have a domain, AWS ACM provides free SSL certificates with auto-renewal:

```
bash
```

```
# Request certificate via CLI (or use Terraform as shown above)
```

```
aws acm request-certificate \
```

```
--domain-name threatcompass.yourdomain.com \
```

```
--subject-alternative-names "*.threatcompass.yourdomain.com" \
```

```
--validation-method DNS \
```

```
--region us-east-1
```

### Option B: Import Existing Certificate

```
bash
```

```
# Import your own certificate
```

```
aws acm import-certificate \  
  --certificate fileb://Certificate.pem \  
  --certificate-chain fileb://CertificateChain.pem \  
  --private-key fileb://PrivateKey.pem \  
  --region us-east-1
```

## Domain Validation

For DNS validation, add the CNAME records provided by ACM to your DNS provider:

```
bash
```

```
# Get validation records
```

```
aws acm describe-certificate \  
  --certificate-arn arn:aws:acm:us-east-1:123456789012:certificate/12345678-1234-5678-9012-345678901234 \  
  --region us-east-1
```

## 3. Security Headers and CORS Configuration

### Option A: Application-Level Security Headers (Flask)

Add to your Flask application:

python

```
# security_headers.py
```

```
from flask import Flask
```

```
from functools import wraps
```

```
def add_security_headers(app: Flask):
```

```
    """Add security headers to all responses"""
```

```
    @app.after_request
```

```
    def set_security_headers(response):
```

```
        # Prevent clickjacking
```

```
        response.headers['X-Frame-Options'] = 'DENY'
```

```
        # Prevent MIME type sniffing
```

```
        response.headers['X-Content-Type-Options'] = 'nosniff'
```

```
        # Enable XSS protection
```

```
        response.headers['X-XSS-Protection'] = '1; mode=block'
```

```
        # Enforce HTTPS (only in production)
```

```
        if app.config.get('ENV') == 'production':
```

```
            response.headers['Strict-Transport-Security'] = 'max-age=31536000; includeSubDomains'
```

```
        # Content Security Policy
```

```
        csp = (
```

```
            "default-src 'self'; "
```

```
            "script-src 'self' 'unsafe-inline' https://cdn.jsdelivr.net https://cdnjs.cloudflare.com/ajax/libs/";
```

```
            "style-src 'self' 'unsafe-inline' https://cdn.jsdelivr.net https://cdnjs.cloudflare.com/ajax/libs/";
```

```
            "img-src 'self' data: https://; "
```



```
"font-src 'self' https://cdn.jsdelivr.net https://cdnjs.cloudflare.com; "  
"connect-src 'self'; "  
"frame-ancestors 'none';"  
)  
response.headers['Content-Security-Policy'] = csp
```

*# Referrer Policy*

```
response.headers['Referrer-Policy'] = 'strict-origin-when-cross-origin'
```

*# Permissions Policy (formerly Feature Policy)*

```
response.headers['Permissions-Policy'] = (  
    "accelerometer=(), "  
    "camera=(), "  
    "geolocation=(), "  
    "gyroscope=(), "  
    "magnetometer=(), "  
    "microphone=(), "  
    "payment=(), "  
    "usb=()" )
```

```
return response
```

*# In your app.py*

```
from security_headers import add_security_headers
```

```
app = create_app()
```

```
add_security_headers(app)
```

## Option B: ALB-Level Security Headers

Add custom response headers via ALB listener rules:

```
bash
```

```
# Example AWS CLI command to add security headers at ALB level
```

```
aws elbv2 modify-listener \
```

```
--listener-arn arn:aws:elasticloadbalancing:us-east-1:123456789012:listener/apl
```

```
--default-actions Type=forward,TargetGroupArn=arn:aws:elasticloadbalancing:u
```

---

## CORS Configuration

python

```
# cors_config.py
from flask_cors import CORS

def configure_cors(app):
    """Configure CORS for production"""

    if app.config.get('ENV') == 'production':
        # Strict CORS for production
        CORS(app,
            origins=['https://threatcompass.yourdomain.com'],
            methods=['GET', 'POST', 'PUT', 'DELETE', 'PATCH'],
            allow_headers=['Content-Type', 'Authorization', 'X-API-Key'],
            expose_headers=['X-Total-Count'],
            supports_credentials=True,
            max_age=3600)
    else:
        # More permissive for development
        CORS(app, origins=['http://localhost:3000', 'http://localhost:5000'])

# In your app.py
from cors_config import configure_cors
configure_cors(app)
```

## 4. WAF Rate Limiting Configuration

The Terraform templates include basic WAF rules. Here's how to customize them:

# Custom WAF Rules

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*# Add to your Terraform WAF configuration*

```
resource "aws_wafv2_rule_group" "threatcompass_custom" {  
  name      = "${local.name_prefix}-custom-rules"  
  scope     = "REGIONAL"  
  capacity = 100  
  
  rule {  
    name      = "BlockSuspiciousUserAgents"  
    priority = 1  
  
    action {  
      block {}  
    }  
  
    statement {  
      byte_match_statement {  
        search_string = "sqlmap"  
        field_to_match {  
          single_header {  
            name = "user-agent"  
          }  
        }  
      }  
      text_transformation {  
        priority = 0  
        type     = "LOWERCASE"  
      }  
      positional_constraint = "CONTAINS"  
    }  
  }  
}
```

```
}
```

```
visibility_config {  
  cloudwatch_metrics_enabled = true  
  metric_name                 = "BlockSuspiciousUserAgents"  
  sampled_requests_enabled   = true  
}  
}
```

```
rule {  
  name   = "RateLimitAPI"  
  priority = 2
```

```
  action {  
    block {}  
  }
```

```
statement {  
  rate_based_statement {  
    limit           = 100 # requests per 5-minute window  
    aggregate_key_type = "IP"  
  
    scope_down_statement {  
      byte_match_statement {  
        search_string = "/api/"  
        field_to_match {  
          uri_path {}  
        }  
      }  
      text_transformation {
```

```
    priority = 0
    type     = "LOWERCASE"
  }
  positional_constraint = "STARTS_WITH"
}
}
}
}
```

```
visibility_config {
  cloudwatch_metrics_enabled = true
  metric_name                = "RateLimitAPI"
  sampled_requests_enabled   = true
}
}
}
```

## WAF Logging Configuration



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*# WAF Logging*

```
resource "aws_wafv2_web_acl_logging_configuration" "main" {  
  resource_arn      = aws_wafv2_web_acl.main.arn  
  log_destination_configs = [aws_cloudwatch_log_group.waf.arn]  
  
  redacted_fields {  
    single_header {  
      name = "authorization"  
    }  
  }  
  
  redacted_fields {  
    single_header {  
      name = "x-api-key"  
    }  
  }  
}  
  
resource "aws_cloudwatch_log_group" "waf" {  
  name      = "/aws/wafv2/${local.name_prefix}"  
  retention_in_days = 30  
}
```

## 5. Backup and Disaster Recovery

### RDS Backup Configuration

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*# Enhanced RDS backup configuration (add to existing RDS resource)*

resource "aws\_db\_instance" "main" {

*# ... existing configuration ...*

*# Extended backup settings*

backup\_retention\_period = 30 *# Keep backups for 30 days*

backup\_window = "03:00-04:00" *# UTC*

maintenance\_window = "Sun:04:00-Sun:05:00" *# UTC*

*# Enable automated backups to S3*

copy\_tags\_to\_snapshot = true

*# Enable point-in-time recovery*

delete\_automated\_backups = false

*# Performance Insights for monitoring*

performance\_insights\_enabled = true

performance\_insights\_retention\_period = 31 *# days*

}

## Cross-Region Backup Strategy

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*# Cross-region RDS snapshot copying*

```
resource "aws_db_snapshot_copy" "main" {  
  count = var.enable_cross_region_backup ? 1 : 0  
  
  source_db_snapshot_identifier = aws_db_instance.main.final_snapshot_identifier  
  target_custom_availability_zone = "us-west-2a"  
  target_db_snapshot_identifier = "${local.name_prefix}-snapshot-replica"  
  
  tags = local.common_tags  
}
```

*# S3 Cross-Region Replication*

```
resource "aws_s3_bucket_replication_configuration" "logs" {  
  role = aws_iam_role.s3_replication.arn  
  bucket = aws_s3_bucket.logs.id  
  
  rule {  
    id = "replicate-logs"  
    status = "Enabled"  
  
    destination {  
      bucket = aws_s3_bucket.logs_replica.arn  
      storage_class = "STANDARD_IA"  
  
      encryption_configuration {  
        replica_kms_key_id = aws_kms_key.replica.arn  
      }  
    }  
  }  
}
```

```
}

depends_on = [aws_s3_bucket_versioning.logs]
}

# Backup S3 bucket in different region
resource "aws_s3_bucket" "logs_replica" {
  provider = aws.replica
  bucket   = "${local.name_prefix}-logs-replica-${random_string.bucket_suffix.result}
}
```

## ECS Service Auto-Recovery

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*# CloudWatch Alarms for ECS Service Health*

```
resource "aws_cloudwatch_metric_alarm" "ecs_service_unhealthy" {
  alarm_name      = "${local.name_prefix}-ecs-unhealthy-tasks"
  comparison_operator = "LessThanThreshold"
  evaluation_periods = "2"
  metric_name      = "HealthyHostCount"
  namespace        = "AWS/ApplicationELB"
  period           = "300"
  statistic         = "Average"
  threshold         = "1"
  alarm_description = "This metric monitors healthy ECS tasks"
  alarm_actions     = [aws_sns_topic.alerts.arn]

  dimensions = {
    TargetGroup = aws_lb_target_group.flask_app.arn_suffix
    LoadBalancer = aws_lb.main.arn_suffix
  }
}
```

*# SNS Topic for Alerts*

```
resource "aws_sns_topic" "alerts" {
  name = "${local.name_prefix}-alerts"
}
```

*# Auto-restart unhealthy ECS services*

```
resource "aws_cloudwatch_event_rule" "ecs_task_stopped" {
  name      = "${local.name_prefix}-ecs-task-stopped"
  description = "Capture ECS task stopped events"
```

```
event_pattern = jsonencode({
  source    = ["aws.ecs"]
  detail-type = ["ECS Task State Change"]
  detail = {
    lastStatus = ["STOPPED"]
    clusterArn = [aws_ecs_cluster.main.arn]
  }
})
}
```

```
resource "aws_cloudwatch_event_target" "ecs_restart" {
  rule    = aws_cloudwatch_event_rule.ecs_task_stopped.name
  target_id = "RestartECSTask"
  arn      = aws_lambda_function.ecs_restart.arn
}
```

## Disaster Recovery Runbook



bash

```
#!/bin/bash
```

```
# disaster_recovery.sh - Automated disaster recovery script
```

```
set -e
```

```
ENVIRONMENT="production"
```

```
REGION="us-east-1"
```

```
BACKUP_REGION="us-west-2"
```

```
echo "=== ThreatCompass Disaster Recovery ==="
```

```
echo "Environment: $ENVIRONMENT"
```

```
echo "Primary Region: $REGION"
```

```
echo "Backup Region: $BACKUP_REGION"
```

```
# Step 1: Assess damage
```

```
echo "1. Assessing current infrastructure status..."
```

```
aws ecs describe-clusters --cluster threatcompass-$ENVIRONMENT-cluster --reg
```

```
# Step 2: Restore database
```

```
echo "2. Restoring database from latest snapshot..."
```

```
LATEST_SNAPSHOT=$(aws rds describe-db-snapshots \  
  --db-instance-identifier threatcompass-$ENVIRONMENT-postgresql \  
  --snapshot-type automated \  
  --query 'DBSnapshots | sort_by(@, &SnapshotCreateTime) | [-1].DBSnapshotId' \  
  --output text \  
  --region $REGION)
```

```
echo "Latest snapshot: $LATEST_SNAPSHOT"
```

*# Restore database*

```
aws rds restore-db-instance-from-db-snapshot \  
  --db-instance-identifier threatcompass-$ENVIRONMENT-postgresql-restored \  
  --db-snapshot-identifier $LATEST_SNAPSHOT \  
  --region $REGION
```

*# Step 3: Update ECS services*

echo "3. Updating ECS service configurations..."

```
aws ecs update-service \  
  --cluster threatcompass-$ENVIRONMENT-cluster \  
  --service threatcompass-$ENVIRONMENT-flask-app \  
  --force-new-deployment \  
  --region $REGION
```

*# Step 4: Verify health*

echo "4. Verifying application health..."

sleep 300 *# Wait for services to start*

```
HEALTH_URL="https://$(aws elbv2 describe-load-balancers \  
  --names threatcompass-$ENVIRONMENT-alb \  
  --query 'LoadBalancers[0].DNSName' \  
  --output text \  
  --region $REGION)/health"
```

```
curl -f $HEALTH_URL || {  
  echo "Health check failed!"  
  exit 1  
}
```

echo "=== Disaster Recovery Complete ==="

## **6. S3 Lifecycle Policies and Data Retention**

### **Enhanced S3 Lifecycle Rules**

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```
resource "aws_s3_bucket_lifecycle_configuration" "enhanced_logs" {  
  bucket = aws_s3_bucket.logs.id  
  
  rule {  
    id    = "application_logs"  
    status = "Enabled"  
  
    filter {  
      prefix = "application-logs/"  
    }  
  
    transition {  
      days      = 30  
      storage_class = "STANDARD_IA"  
    }  
  
    transition {  
      days      = 90  
      storage_class = "GLACIER"  
    }  
  
    transition {  
      days      = 365  
      storage_class = "DEEP_ARCHIVE"  
    }  
  
    expiration {  
      days = 2555 # 7 years for compliance  
    }  
  }  
}
```

```
}  
}
```

```
rule {  
  id    = "access_logs"  
  status = "Enabled"  
  
  filter {  
    prefix = "access-logs/"  
  }  
}
```

```
transition {  
  days      = 7  
  storage_class = "STANDARD_IA"  
}
```

```
transition {  
  days      = 30  
  storage_class = "GLACIER"  
}
```

```
expiration {  
  days = 90 # Shorter retention for access logs  
}  
}
```

```
rule {  
  id    = "audit_logs"  
  status = "Enabled"
```

```
filter {  
    prefix = "audit-logs/"  
}  
  
transition {  
    days      = 90  
    storage_class = "GLACIER"  
}  
  
transition {  
    days      = 365  
    storage_class = "DEEP_ARCHIVE"  
}  
  
expiration {  
    days = 3653 # 10 years for audit logs  
}  
}  
}
```

## 7. Monitoring and Alerting Configuration

### CloudWatch Custom Metrics



python

*# monitoring.py - Add to your Flask application*

```
import boto3
```

```
import time
```

```
from datetime import datetime
```

```
class CloudWatchMetrics:
```

```
    def __init__(self, namespace="ThreatCompass"):
```

```
        self.cloudwatch = boto3.client('cloudwatch')
```

```
        self.namespace = namespace
```

```
    def put_metric(self, metric_name, value, unit='Count', dimensions=None):
```

```
        """Send custom metric to CloudWatch"""
```

```
        try:
```

```
            self.cloudwatch.put_metric_data(
```

```
                Namespace=self.namespace,
```

```
                MetricData=[
```

```
                    {
```

```
                        'MetricName': metric_name,
```

```
                        'Value': value,
```

```
                        'Unit': unit,
```

```
                        'Timestamp': datetime.utcnow(),
```

```
                        'Dimensions': dimensions or []
```

```
                    }
```

```
                ]
```

```
            )
```

```
        except Exception as e:
```

```
            print(f"Failed to send metric {metric_name}: {e}")
```

```
def record_ioc_processed(self, ioc_type):
    """Record IOC processing metrics"""
    self.put_metric(
        'IOCsProcessed',
        1,
        dimensions=[{'Name': 'IOCType', 'Value': ioc_type}]
    )

def record_playbook_generated(self, tenant_id):
    """Record playbook generation metrics"""
    self.put_metric(
        'PlaybooksGenerated',
        1,
        dimensions=[{'Name': 'TenantId', 'Value': str(tenant_id)}]
    )
```

*# Usage in your application*

```
metrics = CloudWatchMetrics()
```

```
@app.route('/api/v1/iocs', methods=['POST'])
```

```
def create_ioc():
```

```
    # ... existing IOC creation logic ...
```

```
    metrics.record_ioc_processed(ioc.type)
```

```
    return jsonify({"status": "success"})
```

## Comprehensive Monitoring Stack

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*# CloudWatch Dashboard*

```
resource "aws_cloudwatch_dashboard" "main" {
  dashboard_name = "${local.name_prefix}-dashboard"

  dashboard_body = jsonencode({
    widgets = [
      {
        type = "metric"
        x    = 0
        y    = 0
        width = 12
        height = 6

        properties = {
          metrics = [
            ["AWS/ApplicationELB", "RequestCount", "LoadBalancer", aws_lb.main.arn_s
            [".", "TargetResponseTime", ":", ":"],
            [".", "HTTPCode_Target_2XX_Count", ":", ":"],
            [".", "HTTPCode_Target_4XX_Count", ":", ":"],
            [".", "HTTPCode_Target_5XX_Count", ":", ":"]
          ]
          view = "timeSeries"
          stacked = false
          region = var.aws_region
          title = "Application Load Balancer Metrics"
          period = 300
        }
      },
    ],
  },
```

```
{
  type = "metric"
  x    = 0
  y    = 6
  width = 12
  height = 6

  properties = {
    metrics = [
      ["AWS/ECS", "CPUUtilization", "ServiceName", aws_ecs_service.flask_app.n
      [".", "MemoryUtilization", ":", ":", ":", ":"]
    ]
    view = "timeSeries"
    region = var.aws_region
    title = "ECS Service Metrics"
    period = 300
  }
}
}
```

This comprehensive hardening guide provides production-ready security configurations for your ThreatCompass deployment. Each section can be implemented incrementally, and the monitoring components will help you maintain visibility into your application's security posture.