

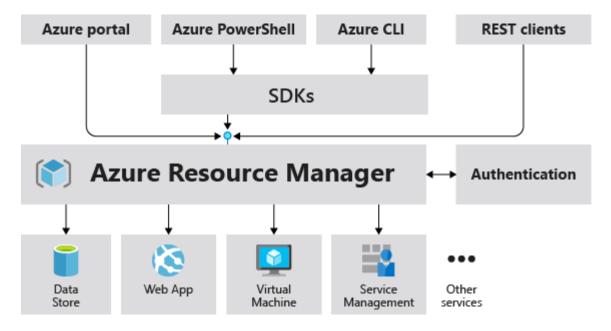
Deploy Management Resources With Custom Settings. (Hub & Spoke Level 300)

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What is Management Resources?

Azure Resource Manager is the deployment and management service for Azure. It provides a management layer that enables you to create, update, and delete resources in your Azure account. You use management features, like access control, locks, and tags, to secure and organize your resources after deployment.





Strategy

we take the base Deploy Management resources configuration and make the following changes:

- Add input variable on the root module for enabling/disabling Management resources
- Add a local variable for configure_management_resources and set custom values for the following:
 - Update the retention period for data stored in the Log Analytics workspace from 30 days to 50 days (controlled through an input variable on the root module)
 - Set a valid email address for Security alerts (controlled through an input variable on the root module)
 - Disable Azure Defender for Azure Kubernetes Service (AKS)
 - Set a different location for Management resources (controlled through an input variable on the root module)
 - Add custom resource tags for Management resources (controlled through an input variable on the root module)
 - Disable deployment of specified monitoring solutions in Azure Monitor (ServiceMap, SQLAssessment, SQLAdvancedThreatProtection, SQLVulnerabilityAssessment)

The module allows for further customization of the Management resources through the advanced setting, however this is out-of-scope for this example.

If you've already deployed the Management resources using default settings, you will be able to see the changes made when moving to this configuration.

If location is not specified, the resources will default to the same location set by default location input variable.

Root Module:

To make the code easier to maintain when extending your configuration, we recommend splitting the root module into multiple files. For the purpose of this example, we use the following:

- terraform.tf
- variables.tf
- main.tf
- settings.connectivity.tf



terraform.tf

```
terraform {
    required_providers {
        azurerm = {
            source = "hashicorp/azurerm"
            version = ">= 3.54.0"
        }
    }
    provider "azurerm" {
        features {}
}
```

variables.tf

```
variable "root_id" {
 type = string
  default = "myorg"
variable "root_name" {
 type = string
 default = "My Organization"
variable "deploy_management_resources" {
 type = bool
  default = true
variable "log_retention_in_days" {
 type = number
 default = 50
variable "security alerts email address" {
 type = string
  default = "mominsarfraz6677@gmail.com" # Replace this value with your own email address.
variable "management_resources_location" {
 type = string
 default = "uksouth"
variable "management_resources_tags" {
 type = map(string)
 default = {
    demo_type = "deploy_management_resources_custom"
```



main.tf

```
# This is used to populate the root parent id variable with the
# Management Group.
data "azurerm client config" "core" {}
# Declare the Azure landing zones Terraform module
module "enterprise scale" {
  source = "Azure/caf-enterprise-scale/azurerm"
 version = "4.0.1" # change this to your desired
version, https://www.terraform.io/language/expressions/version-constraints
  default location = "eastus"
 providers = {
    azurerm
                        = azurerm
   azurerm.connectivity = azurerm
    azurerm.management = azurerm
  root_parent_id = data.azurerm_client_config.core.tenant_id
  root id
            = var.root id
  root_name
                = var.root_name
  deploy_management_resources = var.deploy_management_resources
  subscription id management = data.azurerm client config.core.subscription id
  configure_management_resources = local.configure_management_resources
```

Please edit version = "<VERSION>" & default_location = "YOUR_LOCATION"

settings.connectivity.tf

```
# Configure the management resources settings.
locals {
  configure_management_resources = {
   settings = {
     log_analytics = {
       enabled = true
       config = {
         retention in days
                                                            = var.log retention in days
         enable monitoring for vm
         enable_monitoring_for_vmss
                                                            = true
          enable_solution_for_agent_health_assessment
                                                            = true
         enable_solution_for_anti_malware
                                                            = true
          enable solution for change tracking
                                                            = true
         enable solution for service map
          enable solution for sql assessment
          enable solution for sql vulnerability assessment = false
```



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enable_solution_for_sql_advanced_threat_detection = false
     enable solution for updates
     enable_solution_for_vm_insights
                                                     = true
     enable sentinel
                                                      = true
 security_center = {
   enabled = true
   config = {
     email security contact
                                       = var.security alerts email address
     enable_defender_for_app_services = true
     enable defender for arm
                                     = true
     enable defender for containers = false
     enable defender for dns
                                       = true
     enable_defender_for_key_vault = true
     enable_defender_for_oss_databases = true
     enable_defender_for_servers
                                      = true
     enable_defender_for_sql_servers = true
     enable defender for sql server vms = true
     enable defender for storage
                                     = true
location = var.management_resources_location
      = var.management resources tags
advanced = null
```

Number of Policies in This Deployment.

Count: 336

Number of Resources in This Deployment.

Count: 12

Terraform init:

```
Partner and community providers are signed by their developers.

If you'd like to know more about provider signing, you can read about it here: https://www.terraform.io/docs/cli/plugins/signing.html

Terraform has created a lock file .terraform.lock.hel to record the provider selections it made above. Include this file in your version control repository so that Terraform can guarantee to make the same selections by default when you run "terraform init" in the future.

Terraform has been successfully initialized!

You may now begin working with Terraform. Try running "terraform plan" to see any changes that are required for your infrastructure. All Terraform commands should now work.

If you ever set or change modules or backend configuration for Terraform, rerun this command to reinitialize your working directory. If you forget, other commands will detect it and remind you to do so if necessary.

sarfaraz [ ~/test02 ]$ terraform plan data.azurerm_client_config.core: Reading...

data.azurerm_client_config.core: Reading...

data.azurerm_client_config.core: Read complete after 0s [id=Y2xpZW50Q29uZmlncy0jbGllbnRJZD0wW6IwNzc5NS04ZGRiLTQZWWEtYmJJZ50wMaYSZTFiZjdiMDY7b2JqZwNoSwQ9Y2ISOTdJZTctNzQwNc0gyZIJ2IThDYTEXTDINGNYXMTFmZGY3O3NJYnNicmlwdGlvbNc1kpTMJZGU0NmVmLkYJMDAthDU0OSIJYTExLThIN/MJYz8mMiEwYTteZU5hbnRJZD0zYZUzMzRKQSIMDIkLTOINzAtoTViMC0wNGZWM2EwNmowZTU=1
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Terraform plan:

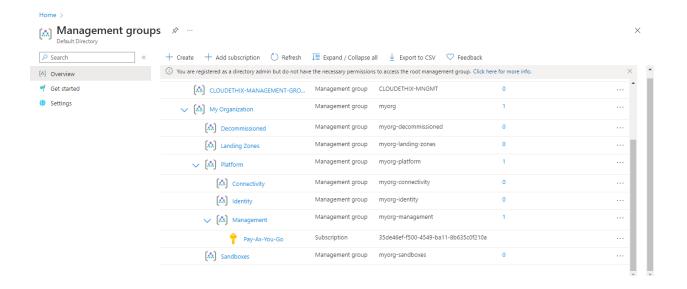
Terraform apply:

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igments/deploy in backup [1224 am_diz_assignment:or_poilty] / providers/Nicrosoft.Management/management/management/groups/myorg-identity/providers/Microsoft.Authorization/roleAssignments/a62665d7-8d13-51ab-8be4-9ea429c23fd0]
module.enterprise_scale.module.role_assignments_for_poilty['/providers/Microsoft.Management/managementGroups/myorg/providers/Microsoft.Authorization/policyAssignments/Deploy-Resource-Diag'].azurerm_role_assignments_for_polity['/providers/Microsoft.Management/managementGroups/myorg/providers/Microsoft.Authorization/roleAssignments/Deploy-Resource-Diag'].azurerm_role_assignment.for_polity['/providers/Microsoft.Management/managementGroups/myorg/providers/Microsoft.Authorization/roleAssignments/Deploy-Resource-Diag'].azurerm_role_assignment.for_polity['/providers/Microsoft.Management/managementGroups/myorg/providers/Microsoft.Authorization/roleAssignments/Deploy-B572-5fe2-blad-659525941097]
module.enterprise_scale.module.role_assignments_for_polity['/providers/Microsoft.Management/managementGroups/myorg-connectivity/providers/Microsoft.Authorization/polity
Assignments/Beoel5dd-3218-537e-a0c5-1fedd34bad78']: Creation complete after 24s [id=/providers/Microsoft.Management/managementGroups/myorg-connectivity/providers/Microsoft.Authorization/roleAssignments/09eel5dd-3218-537e-a0c5-1fedd34bad78]
module.enterprise_scale.time_sleep.after_azurerm_role_assignment: Creating...
module.enterprise_scale.time_sleep.after_azurerm_role_assignment: Creation complete after 0s [id=2023-05-15712:37:122]

Apply complete! Resources: 218 added, 0 changed, 0 destroyed.

sarfaraz [ ~/test02 ]$
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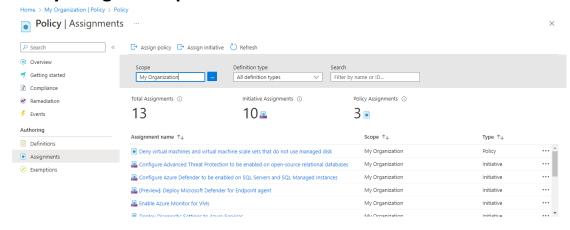
Deployed Management Groups



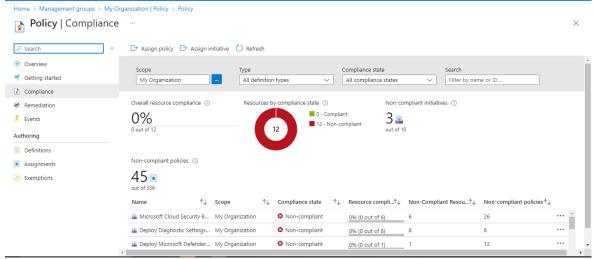


Policy Assignment configuration

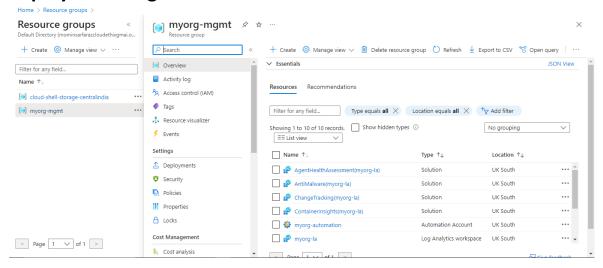
Policy Assignment parameters



Policy Assignment compliance



Deployed Management resources





Additional considerations

If you are using Archetype Exclusions or custom Archetypes in your code, make sure to not disable Log Analytics or Security Center policies if you require policy integration using this module. The relationship between the resources deployed and the Policy parameters is dependent on specific Policy Assignments being used.

Next steps

Take particular note of the following changes:

- The retentionInDays setting is now configured to 50 days on the Log Analytics workspace.
- The dataRetention parameter value is also configured to 50 days on the Deploy-Log-Analytics Policy Assignment.
- The emailSecurityContact parameter value is set to your own email address on the Deploy-MDFC-Config (Deploy Azure Security Center configuration) Policy Assignment. Once this policy is remediated, you can also view this setting in Azure Security Center.
- The pricingTierKubernetesService parameter value is set to Free on the Deploy-MDFC-Config (Deploy Azure Security Center configuration) Policy Assignment. In Security Center, you should be able to see that Azure Defender is set to On for all resource types except Kubernetes 1 which is set to Off.

Although not Policy Assignment related, also note the following changes:

- All Resource Groups and Resources created by the module for Management are now located in uksouth.
- All Resource Groups and Resources (which support tags) created by the module for Management have the custom tags applied.

Try updating the configuration settings in the configure_management_resources local variable to see how this changes your configuration. Also try setting your own values in the input variables, and toggling the deploy_management_resources input variable to see which resources are created/destroyed.