

Get Started with Falcon Sensor for Linux

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Overview

Falcon sensor for Linux stops breaches by unifying true next-generation antivirus (NGAV) endpoint detection and response (EDR), managed threat hunting, and threat intelligence automation, using a single lightweight sensor. Falcon sensor for Linux is designed to protect both Linux servers and containers. After the sensor is installed, it captures events in real time to protect both Linux servers and containers running on these servers.

The Falcon sensor for Linux can be installed and deployed in these Linux environments:

- Linux endpoints: Endpoints running supported Linux distros and kernels
- Kubernetes and container workloads: Workloads in cloud environments running supported Linux distros and kernels. Your organization has access to the underlying kernel module and you can install the sensor on the worker node.
Note: For Kubernetes and container environments where your organization doesn't have access to the kernel module and privileged containers aren't allowed, see [Falcon Container Sensor for Linux](#) [[/documentation/category/e65fa298/sensor-deployment-and-maintenance/linux-kubernetes-and-cloud/falcon-container-sensor-for-linux](#)]

Before you begin

Read these topics to make sure you understand the best way to secure your Linux endpoints and workloads:

- [Getting started with Falcon sensors for Linux environments](#) [[/documentation/page/afdd5de4/get-started-with-falcon-sensors-for-linux-environments](#)]
- [Choosing the right sensor](#) [[/documentation/page/fab6a179/choose-the-right-sensor](#)]

Next steps:

- [Falcon sensor for Linux modes](#) [[/documentation/page/ea6bf997/falcon-sensor-for-linux-modes](#)]: Learn about the modes of the sensor and the protection each provides
- [Falcon sensor for Linux system requirements](#) [[/documentation/page/edd7717e/falcon-sensor-for-linux-system-requirements](#)]: Determine if your Linux environment meets the requirements to run the sensor in the desired mode.
- [Plan your Falcon sensor for Linux deployment](#) [[/documentation/page/e99b9f4f/plan-your-falcon-sensor-for-linux-deployment](#)]: Determine the appropriate deployment type and installation method for your environment.

Falcon Sensor for Linux Modes > [[/documentation/page/ea6bf997/falcon-sensor-for-linux-modes](#)]