

Creating Alerts and Dashboard

Splunk® Configuration Guide



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About this publication

This publication provides overview, planning, installation, and user instructions for IBM Storage Defender Data Resiliency Service.

Chapter 1. Creating IBM Storage Defender alerts in Splunk®

Procedure

1. Log in with your Splunk® Enterprise account by using your admin credentials.
2. Click **Search and reporting** in the navigation bar under **Apps**.
3. Search for `index=ibm_defender type POTENTIAL_THREAT` in the search bar.

```
index="ibm_defender" message="Potential threat detected"
```

The following figure displays the alert details for the MISSED_HEARTBEAT type alert.

List ▼ ✓ Format 20 Per Page ▼		
i	Time	Event
>	9/12/24 3:03:30.000 AM	<pre>{ [-] applicationId: 4b7afeaf-0173-4b8b-913d-4b36dde3ef97 applicationName: App18 ctime: 1726135226406 detail: Missed heartbeat for Defender sensor hostname: espiatl1.storage.tucson.ibm.com id: 66e2bc58dcb417678cb46328 message: Missed heartbeat from Defender agent recoveryGroupDetails: [[+]] severity: warning source: Defender Sensor status: open tenantId: 6487cb0b32bfa47fa459cec4 type: MISSED_HEARTBEAT vmIP: vmName: espiatl1 }</pre> <p>Show as raw text</p> <p>host = defendersplunk2.storage-defender.ibm.com:8090 source = http:ibm_defenderhec sourcetype = _json</p>

Figure 1. Alert details for MISSED_HEARTBEAT

The following figure displays the alert details for the POTENTIAL_THREAT type alert.

>	9/17/24 1:11:11.000 PM	<pre>{ [-] applicationId: 4733c2d4-4b7c-4ce8-a8b2-4f34edbaa876 applicationName: 208-drone2-SI ctime: 1726603901467 detail: Potential threat detected by Defender sensors hostname: skril1-vm1 id: 66e9e27de59b782eb8af8976 message: Potential threat detected recoveryGroupDetails: [[+]] severity: warning source: Defender Sensor status: open tenantId: 644940ec8efda81ee618eab0 type: POTENTIAL_THREAT vmIP: 9.11.68.60 vmName: defender-drone2-001-SI }</pre> <p>Show as raw text</p> <p>host = defendersplunk2.storage-defender.ibm.com:8090 source = lbmdefender sourcetype = _json</p>
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Figure 2. Alert details for POTENTIAL_THREAT

The following figure displays the alert details for the FLASH_STORAGE POTENTIAL_THREAT type alert.

List ▾ Format 20 Per Page ▾		
<div> <div>< Hide Fields</div> <div>≡ All Fields</div> </div> <div> <div>SELECTED FIELDS</div> <div># host 1</div> <div># source 1</div> <div># sourcetype 1</div> </div> <div> <div>INTERESTING FIELDS</div> <div># applicationId 1</div> <div># applicationName 1</div> <div># ctime 5</div> <div># detail 2</div> <div># extracted_source 2</div> <div># hostname 2</div> <div># id 6</div> <div># index 1</div> <div># linecount 1</div> <div># message 1</div> <div># punct 2</div> <div># severity 1</div> <div># splunk_server 1</div> <div># status 1</div> <div># tenantid 1</div> </div>		
i	Time	Event
>	9/17/24 12:43:00 PM	<div>([-]</div> <pre> { applicationId: 4733c2d4-4b7c-4ce8-a8b2-4f34edbaa876 applicationName: 208-drone2-SI ctime: 172668488379 detail: Potential threat detected by Storage Insights hostname: skrill-vn2 id: 66e9e55e59b782eb8af89ab message: Potential threat detected recoveryGroupDetails: [[+]] } severity: warning source: FLASH_STORAGE status: open tenantId: 644948ec8efda81ee618eab0 type: POTENTIAL_THREAT vniP: vniName: defender-drone2-002-SI } </pre> <div>Show as raw text</div> <div>host = defendersplunk2.storage-defender.ibm.com:8090 source = ibmdefender sourcetype = _json</div>
>	9/17/24	([-]

Figure 3. Alert details for FLASH_STORAGE POTENTIAL_THREAT

4. Click **Save As** and select **Alert**.
5. Provide details about the alert in the **Edit Alert** section. Enter the description in the **Description** field. Select the alert type and schedule in the respective fields.
 - a) If Splunk® Enterprise Security app is installed, then in **Trigger Actions**, click **Add Actions**, and choose **Notable**. For example, **Add to Triggered Alerts**, and click **Save**. The step generates an alert in Splunk® Enterprise Security.
 - b) You can choose other appropriate actions based on your setup.

Edit Alert

×

Settings

Alert

Potential Threat Alert

Description

IBM Storage Defender Sensor running on VM has detected a Potential Threat f

Alert type

Scheduled

Real-time

Expires

24

hour(s) ▾

Trigger Conditions

Trigger alert when

Per-Result ▾

Throttle ?

☐

Trigger Actions

+ Add Actions ▾

When triggered

▾

🔔

Add to Triggered Alerts

Remove

Severity

High ▾

>

🔔

Notable

Remove

Cancel

Save

Figure 4. Editing alerts

6. Verify the alerts that you have created in the **Alert** section.

Alerts

Alerts set a condition that triggers an action, such as sending an email that contains the results of the triggering search to a list of people. Click the name to view the alert. Open the alert in Search to refine the parameters.

1 Alerts

All

Yours

This App's

filter

Q

Title ▾	Actions	Owner ▾	App ▾	Sharing ▾	Status ▾
<div><div>Potential Threat Alert</div><div>IBM Storage Defender Sensor running on VM has detected a Potential Threat f</div><div>Enabled: Yes. Disable</div><div>Permissions: Private. Owned by admin. Edit</div><div>Modified: Jul 30, 2024 5:54:56 AM</div><div>Alert Type: Real-time. Edit</div><div>Trigger Condition: Per-Result. Edit</div><div>Actions: 2 Actions Edit</div><div><div>🔔</div><div>Add to Triggered Alerts</div></div><div><div>🔔</div><div>Notable</div></div></div>	<div>Open in Search</div> <div>Edit ▾</div>	admin	search	Private	Enabled

Figure 5. Verifying alerts

The following figure displays a sample of alerts' trigger history.

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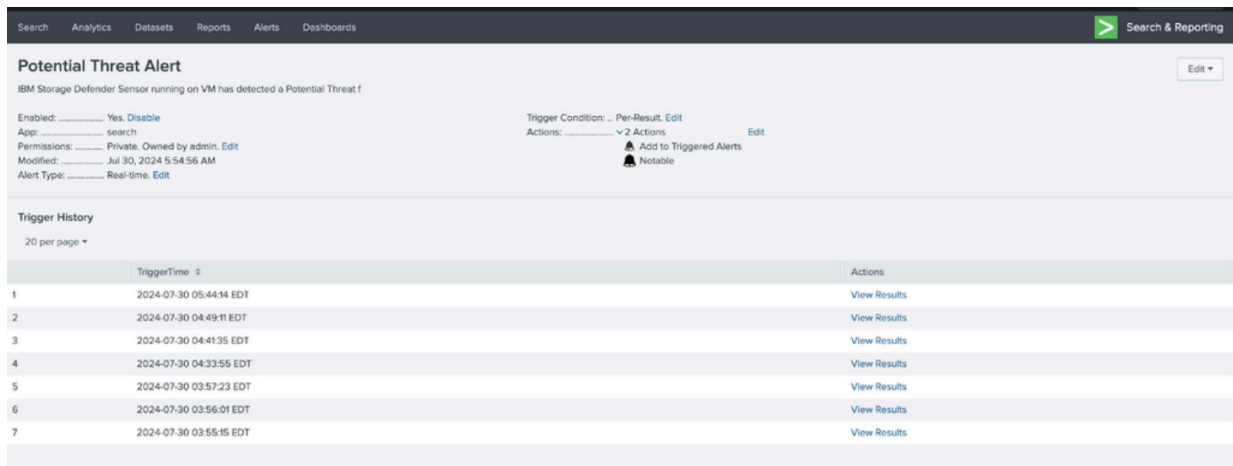


Figure 6. Viewing trigger history of alerts

7. If you are using Splunk® Enterprise Security, you can check the **Incident Review** dashboard. Go to **Enterprise Security > Incident Review**. You can view the notable events and incidents that are generated.

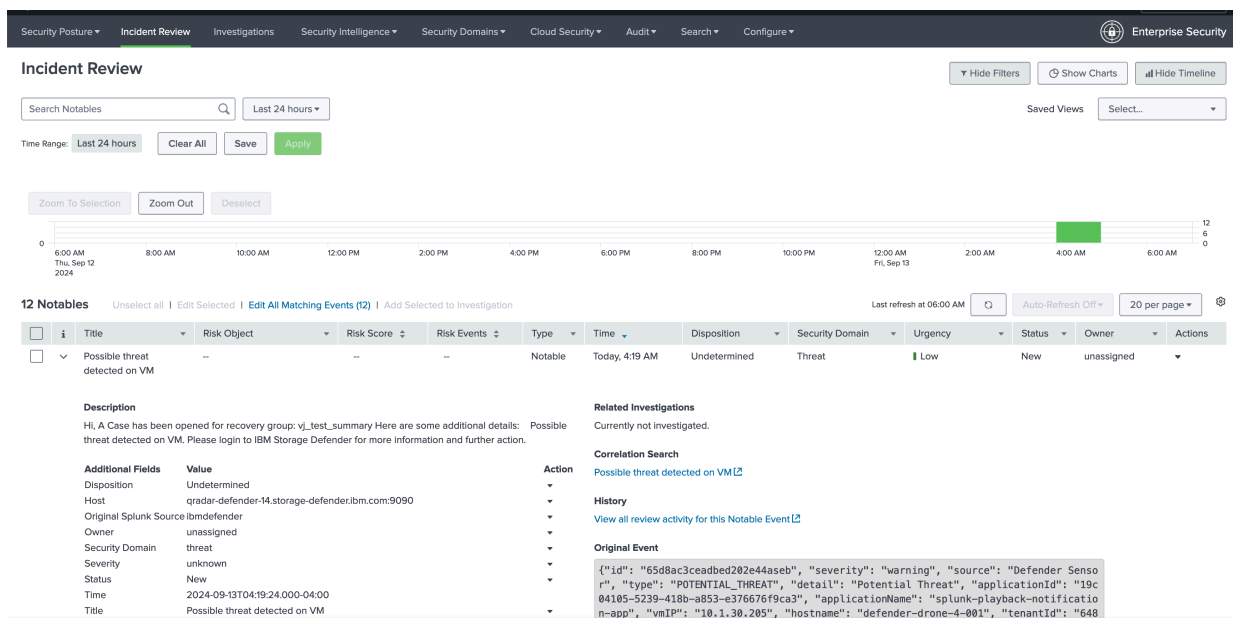


Figure 7. Viewing incidents and events

The following table describes the custom properties of IBM Storage Defender events.

Table 1. Custom properties of IBM Storage Defender events	
Property name	Description
applicationId	The ID of the recovery group for which the IBM Storage Defender event is triggered.
applicationName	The name of the recovery group for which the IBM Storage Defender event is triggered.
hostname	The hostname of the virtual machine for which an IBM Storage Defender event is generated.
status	The case status of the IBM Storage Defender event.

Table 1. Custom properties of IBM Storage Defender events (continued)	
Property name	Description
type	The type of the IBM Storage Defender event.
vmIP	The IP address of the virtual machine for which the IBM Storage Defender event is generated.
vmName	The name of the virtual machine for which the IBM Storage Defender event is generated.

For more information, see [Recovery group](#).

Chapter 2. Creating a dashboard in Splunk®

The following steps are optional and are meant to be a guide for you to add dashboards in Splunk® for IBM Storage Defender events, if needed.

About this task

Procedure

- 1. Click the **Dashboard** tab, then click **Create New Dashboard**.

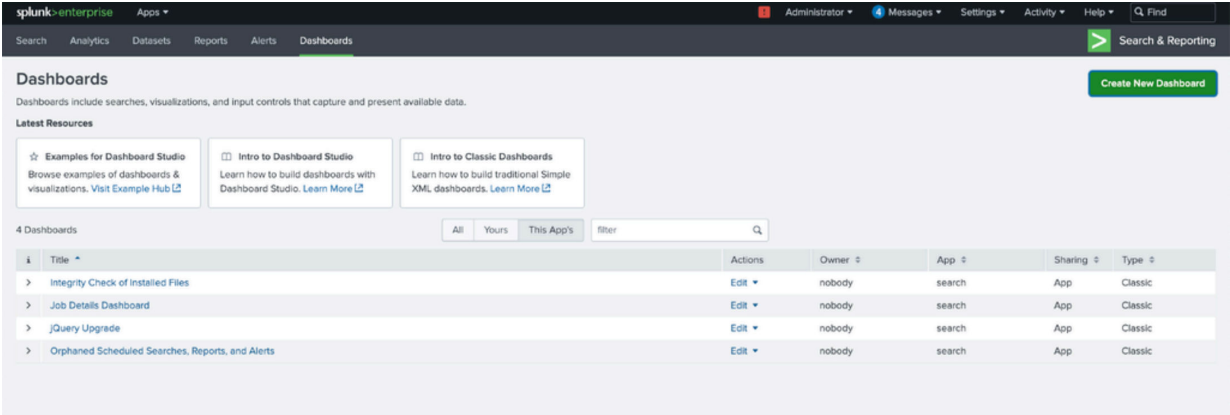


Figure 8. Creating a dashboard

- 2. Provide the details, and select **Classic Dashboard**.

Create New Dashboard ✕

Dashboard Title

IBM Defender

ibm_defender ✎ Edit ID

Description

Optional ✎

Permissions

🔒 Private ▼

How do you want to build your dashboard?

[What's this?](#)

Classic Dashboards
The traditional Splunk dashboard builder

Dashboard Studio NEW
A new builder to create visually-rich, customizable dashboards

Cancel

Create

Figure 9. Providing required details

- Click **Add Panel**, then select **Statistics Table**.

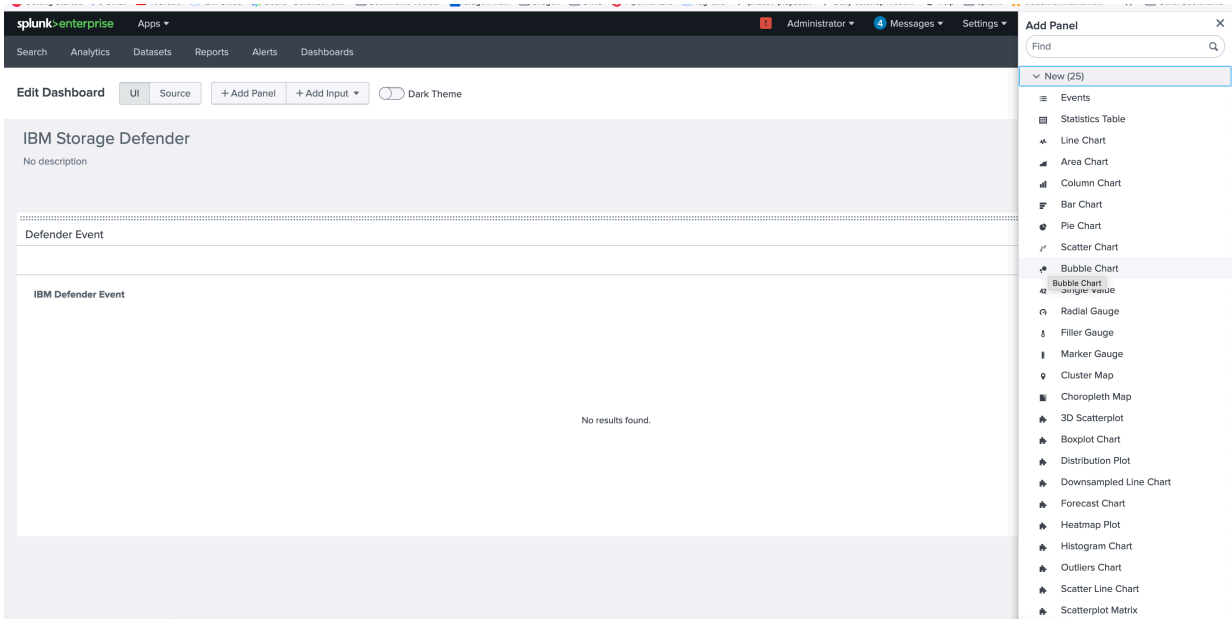


Figure 10. Adding panel and table

4. Provide content title and search string. A sample search string is shown as follows:

```
index=ibm_defender | table severity type
detail applicationName vmIP hostname message status
```

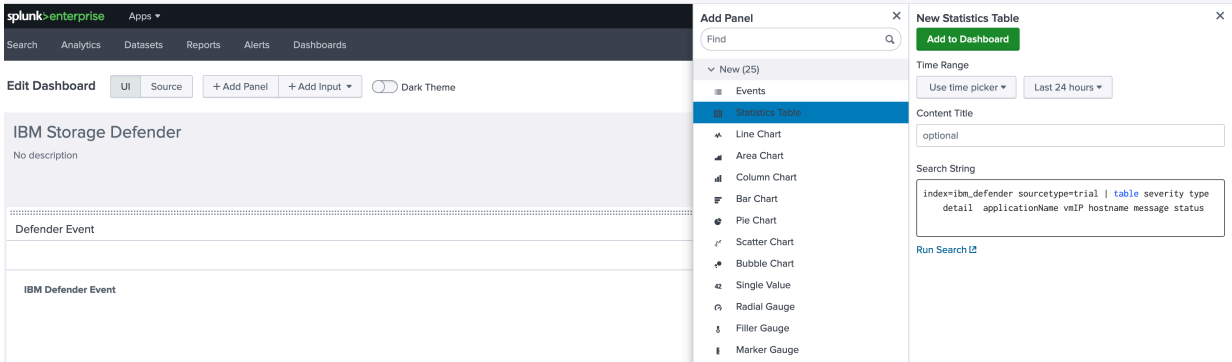


Figure 11. Adding content tile and search string

5. Click **Add to Dashboard**, then click **Save**.

Edit Dashboard UI Source + Add Panel + Add Input Dark Theme Cancel Save as... Save

IBM Storage Defender
No description

IBM Storage Defender Events

Defender Events

severity	type	detail	applicationName	vmIP	hostname	message	status
warning	POTENTIAL_THREAT	Potential Threat	mp-dst-sachin-hs-praj-playback-notification-app	10.1.30.205	defender-drone-4-003	Potential Threat	open
warning	POTENTIAL_THREAT	Potential Threat	splunk-playback-notification-app	10.1.30.205	defender-drone-4-001	Potential Threat	open
warning	POTENTIAL_THREAT	Potential Threat	mp-dst-sachin-hs-praj-playback-notification-app	10.1.30.205	defender-drone-4-003	Potential Threat	open
warning	POTENTIAL_THREAT	Potential Threat	splunk-playback-notification-app	10.1.30.205	defender-drone-4-001	Potential Threat	open
warning	POTENTIAL_THREAT	Potential Threat	splunk-playback-notification-app	10.1.30.205	defender-drone-4-001	Potential Threat	open
warning	POTENTIAL_THREAT	Potential Threat	mp-dst-sachin-hs-praj-playback-notification-app	10.1.30.205	defender-drone-4-003	Potential Threat	open
warning	MISSED_HEARTBEAT	Missed heartbeat for Espial sensors	almaden-espial-test		espial4.storage.tucson.ibm.com	Missed heartbeat from Defender agent	open
warning	MISSED_HEARTBEAT	Missed heartbeat for Espial sensors	almaden-espial-test		espial3.storage.tucson.ibm.com	Missed heartbeat from Defender agent	open
warning	MISSED_HEARTBEAT	Missed heartbeat for Espial sensors	almaden-espial-test		espial2.storage.tucson.ibm.com	Missed heartbeat from Defender agent	open
warning	MISSED_HEARTBEAT	Missed heartbeat for Espial sensors	vj_Reg_Test		espial1.storage.tucson.ibm.com	Missed heartbeat from Defender agent	open

« Prev 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 Next »

Figure 12. Saving dashboard

6. Go to the **Dashboard** tab, and selecting IBM Storage Defender to view the dashboard you created.

Dashboards Create New Dashboard

Dashboards include searches, visualizations, and input controls that capture and present available data.

Latest Resources

- Examples for Dashboard Studio: Browse examples of dashboards & visualizations. [Visit Example Hub](#)
- Intro to Dashboard Studio: Learn how to build dashboards with Dashboard Studio. [Learn More](#)
- Intro to Classic Dashboards: Learn how to build traditional Simple XML dashboards. [Learn More](#)

2 Dashboards All Yours This App's filter

i	Title	Actions	Owner	App	Sharing	Type
>	Defender Docs	Edit	admin	search	App	Classic
∨	IBM Storage Defender	Edit	admin	search	Private	Classic

App: search
Schedule: Not scheduled. [Edit](#)
Permissions: Private. Owned by admin. [Edit](#)
Modified: Sep 13, 2024 3:53:22 AM

Figure 13. Viewing dashboard

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