Data Collection and Processing

Network Visibility

Product Overview

At Cisco AppDynamics, we offer enterprise-grade software that enables our customers to monitor and analyze the performance of their business applications and supporting infrastructure. Our Network Visibility Software monitors the performance of the networking infrastructure that supports our customer's business application(s) by discovering and displaying application and network topology and interdependencies, tracking network KPIs including throughput, packet loss, and RT rates, and helping development teams troubleshoot and diagnose network related problems. The Network Visibility Software can be deployed to customers as either an on-premise installation or as software-as-a-service (SaaS).

The information below addresses SaaS versions of the Network Visibility Software; for on-premise deployments, we do not have access to the data collected by the Network Visibility Software.

What data does the Network Visibility Software collect?

Our Network Visibility Software is designed to collect the performance data about our customers' network infrastructure listed below. The data types below are actually collected and processed by a customer's unique instance of our Network Visibility Software depends on how the customer has configured the Network Visibility Software and the monitored network infrastructure components.

Network performance metrics

The following types of metric performance data can be collected by the Network Visibility Software: TCP connection information, link metrics, host level metrics on the network infrastructure components.

Source and destination machine IP addresses

The Network Visibility Software can be configured to collect IP addresses associated with machines that are included within the monitored network infrastructure.

Packet Information

By default, the Network Visibility Software does not collect any parameter or payload values from within the network infrastructure components it is configured to monitor. Our customers' Network Visibility Software administrator may choose to change the default setting and enable the Network Visibility Software to collect packets transmitted over the monitored network infrastructure components by using the role-based access controlled settings within the Network Visibility Software user interface. If this setting is turned on, the packets are sent to storage of the customer's choice and retained for the period set by the network admin. We do not host nor process the data during such time.

Personal data collection and processing

Cisco AppDynamics adheres to Cisco Online Privacy Statement. To learn more about the Cisco Online Privacy statement and how we process our customers' personal data, please visit https://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/about/legal/privacy-full.html.

How is access to data controlled?

We use industry-standard techniques designed to restrict access to and to prevent unauthorized use of our information systems. We require the use of individual user accounts to maintain the integrity of audit trails. User and group management is centralized using single-sign-on systems and access to systems is subject to management approval. Access to all systems that process or store customer data are reviewed and re-approval is required periodically.

How long is data retained?

Information about data retention is set out in the relevant License Entitlement located at: https://docs.appdynamics.com/latest/en/appdynamics-licensing/license-entitlements-and-restrictions.

Can I delete or rectify data?

Our customers may request information regarding the deletion of data, or make specific requests to have certain data deleted from our systems and records, by opening a ticket with our support teams.

AppDynamics Software collects data from various sources as described above. If the source data are incorrect then the collected data will be incorrect. It is not possible to correct the data within the product. Customers can submit deletion requests for inaccurate data.

Is the data encrypted?

Yes; our SaaS software products support encryption of customer data in transit and at rest, including backups.

How secure is the data?

We are committed at all levels to the security of customer data. We have developed a comprehensive security program and organization that is supported by leadership who are committed to proactively managing cybersecurity risk. By focusing on a secure-by-design approach, we seek to weave security into our development practices early and layer security across our architecture to protect its corporate services, supply chain, software distribution, and customer-facing services.

We implement process, and technical controls designed to manage cybersecurity risks. Controls may be physical, technical or administrative in their operation, and they may be preventative, detective, corrective, deterrent or recovery focused in their intent. Controls may include hardware and software functions, processes, and procedures, as well as organizational and managerial structures. Controls are reviewed periodically to ensure they are still appropriate.

We maintain a SOC 2 Type II certification. For more information please visit https://www.appdynamics.com/trust-center/security.

Third parties

We engage third-party service providers to help us provide our products and related services. More information about our third parties and a description of their activities is available at https://www.appdynamics.com/trust-center/privacy#subprocessors.