

Oracle Database Security Assessment Tool 4.0

Learn how secure your databases are with DBSAT

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Risks to your databases can come from many directions

- Unauthorized data access
- · Data leakage while training
- Data privacy



- Cloud
- Network, DMZ
- Hardware
- VM or OS
- Backup
- Unauthorized key access

- SQL injection attacks
- Sensitive data exposure
- Bypass app access contr

Every database comes with its own flavors of risks

Risks become intractable with scale

125+ parameters Unpatched CVEs Drift in configuration

- Data copies
- Data privacy
- Huge volume of data
- Admin access to data



Sensitive Data

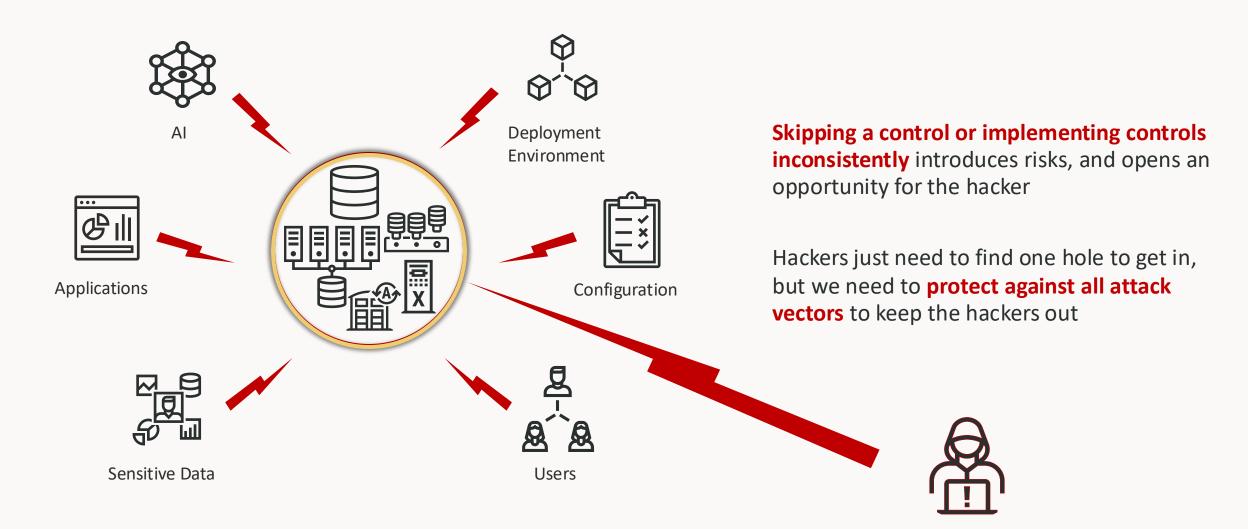


Users

- Stolen or weak credentials
- Compromised insiders
- Overprivileged users
- Mistakes and errors
- Expired or shared accounts



ALL risks need to be mitigated or managed



What is DBSAT?





Assess your database security before hackers come knocking

Assess Configuration

Patches

Data Encryption

Auditing policies

OS file permissions

Database configuration

Listener configuration

Fine-grained access control

Identify Risky Users

Database accounts

User privileges

User roles

Discover Sensitive Data

What type, where, and how much?

Sample pattern files for Greek, German, Dutch, French, Spanish, Italian, and Portuguese based data models as well.

Assessment Reports

Summary and detailed information

Prioritized, actionable and target specific recommendations

Mapping to EU GDPR, STIG and CIS Benchmark

Runs on 11g to 23ai Oracle Databases.



New in DBSAT 4.0

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Expanded Compliance

- Updated for STIG 19c V1R1. New STIG-related checks
- References updated to match new numbering scheme
- DISA highlights DBSAT's value in official Oracle Database 19c STIG

Improved User & Entitlement Assessment

- Identifies stale user accounts (no recent logins)
- Flags users with passwords expiring in 30 days
- Locally managed user checks
- Database Vault SoD and integrity checks
- Proxy users in DBA/PDB DBA check
- Improved Data Redaction checks
- and more...

Expanded Container Database Coverage

- Checks for users with SET CONTAINER privilege
- Lists PDB lockdown profiles

Better CVE Visibility

INFO.PATCH now covers unpatched CVEs

Smarter, Streamlined Findings

 Documentation links next to findings for Oracle Database 19c and 23ai assessments

Better Usability & Advanced Options

- -f: Specify output format for DBSAT report
- -d: Generate a log file for troubleshooting
- -r: Limit number of rows collected

Discoverer Enhancements

- New JSON output
- Improved English pattern matching
- Report includes Views and View columns

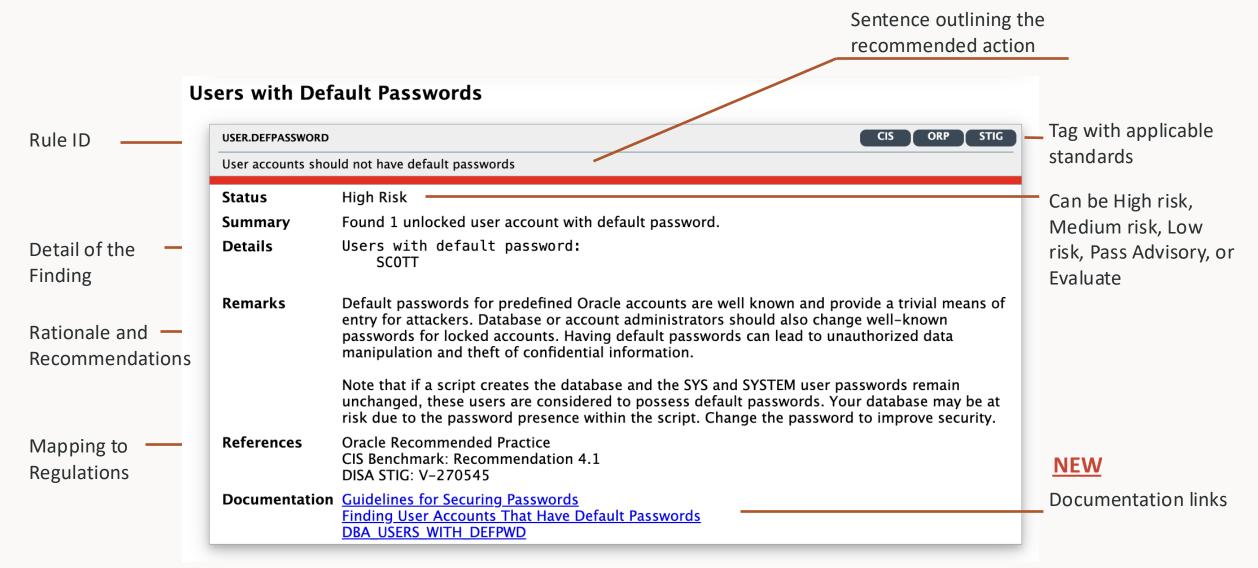
DBSAT Extract

New compression/encryption utility (no zip/unzip needed)

To learn more, please check the release notes.



Sample finding

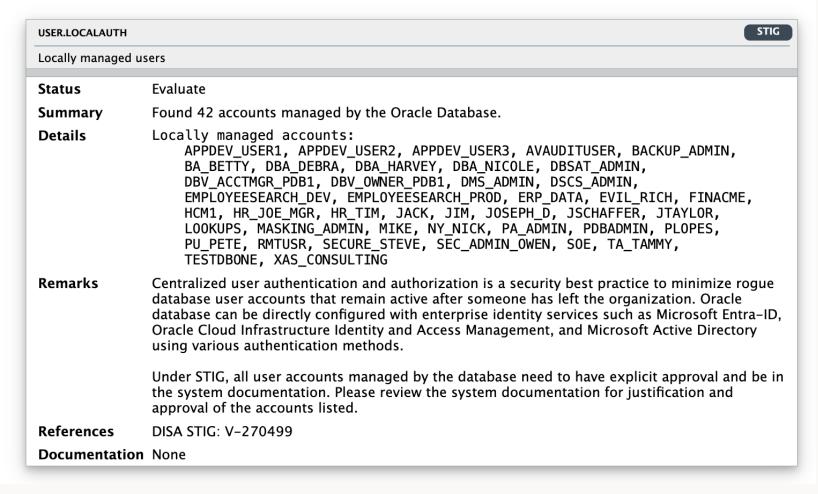




New STIG checks in DBSAT (1/5)



Locally Managed Accounts



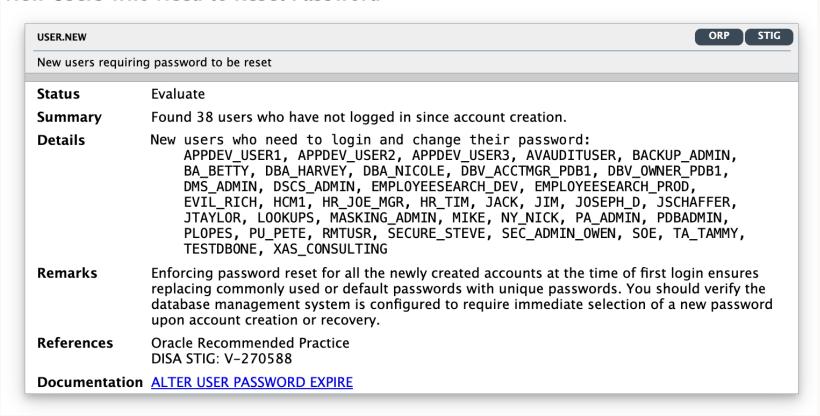
Supports efforts to review locally managed accounts



New STIG checks in DBSAT (2/5)



New Users Who Need to Reset Password

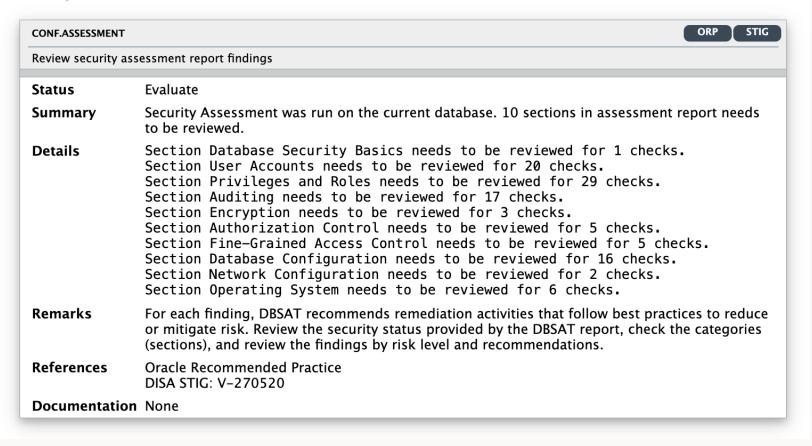


Identified users who haven't logged in since account creation

New STIG checks in DBSAT (3/5)



Security Assessment



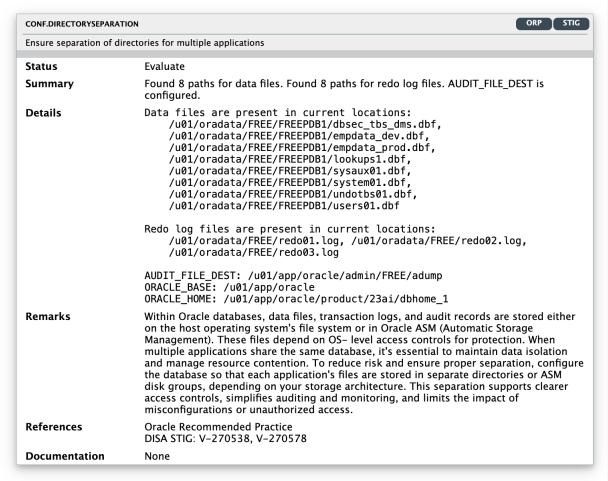
Highlight the need to review all findings



New STIG checks in DBSAT (4/5)



Directory Separation for Multi-applications



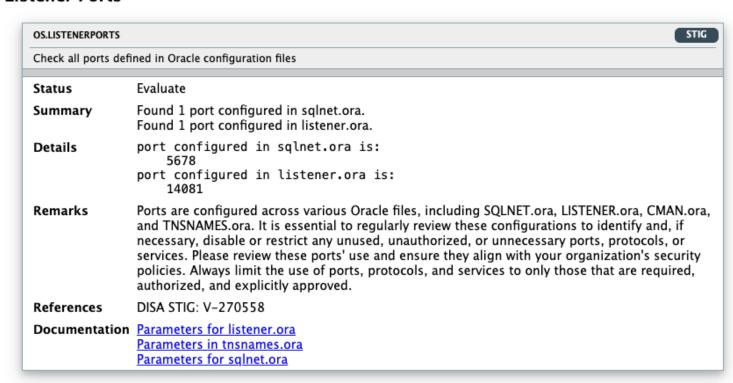
Checks for the location of data files, redo logs, and audit file destination



New STIG checks in DBSAT (5/5)



Listener Ports



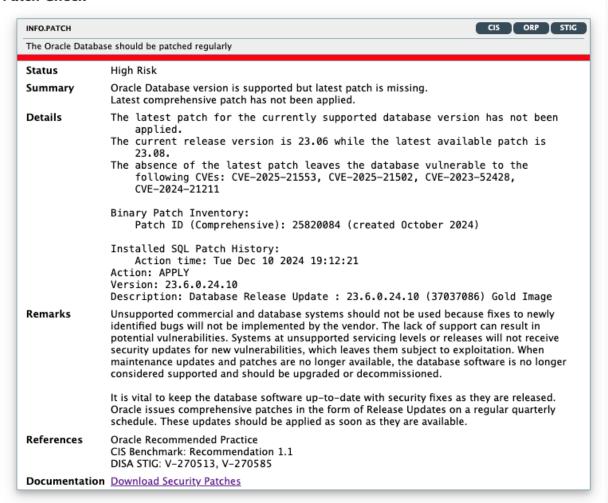
Checks for known listener ports.



Better CVE Visibility



Patch Check



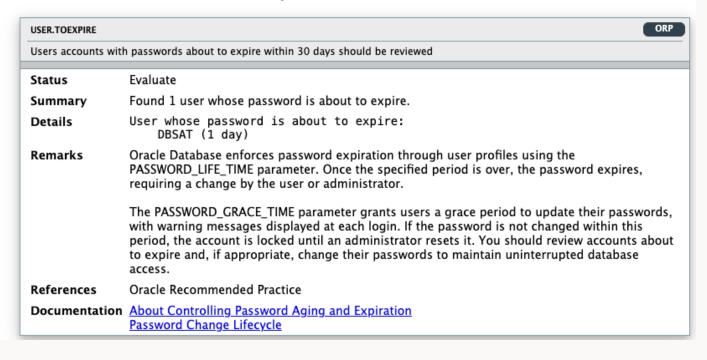
Unpatched CVEs are now highlighted



Users with passwords about to expire



Users with Passwords About to Expire

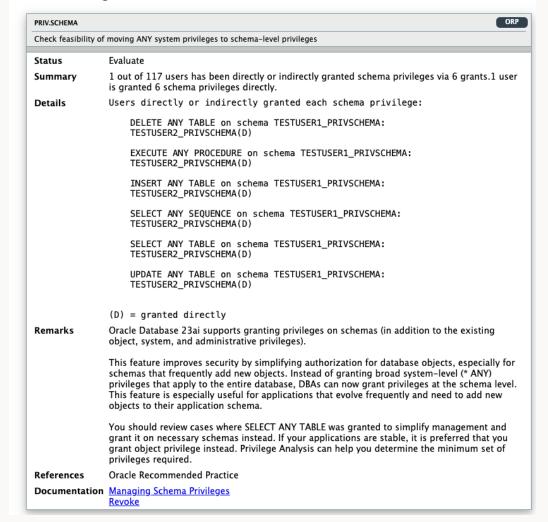


Displays information about user accounts that will expire their passwords within 30 days.



Schema Privileges

Schema Privilege Grants





Displays information about user accounts with ANY system privileges and schemalevel grants.

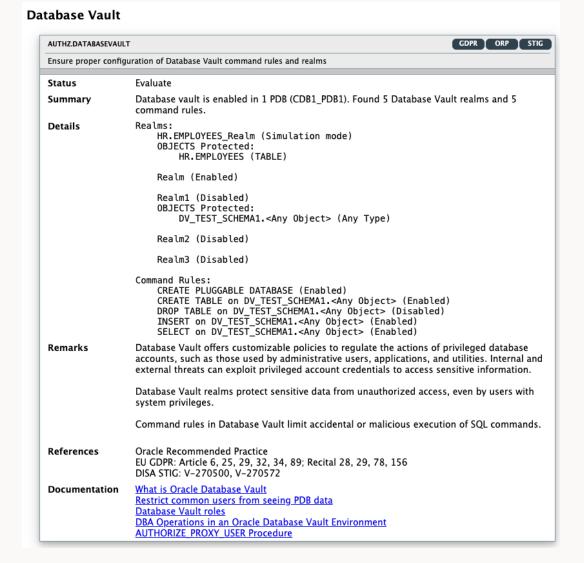
This will allow reviewing cases where SELECT ANY TABLE system privilege was granted to simplify management and replace them with schema-level grants instead.



Database Vault (1/3)



Displays whether Oracle Database Vault is enabled, details realms, command rules, their status, and protected objects.

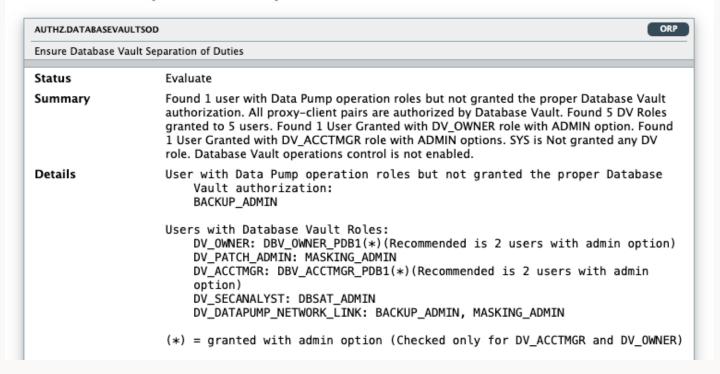




Database Vault (2/3)



Database Vault Separation of Duty



Displays information about users with Database Vault-specific roles, including DV_OWER, DV_ACCTMGR, DV_PATCH_ADMIN, and others.

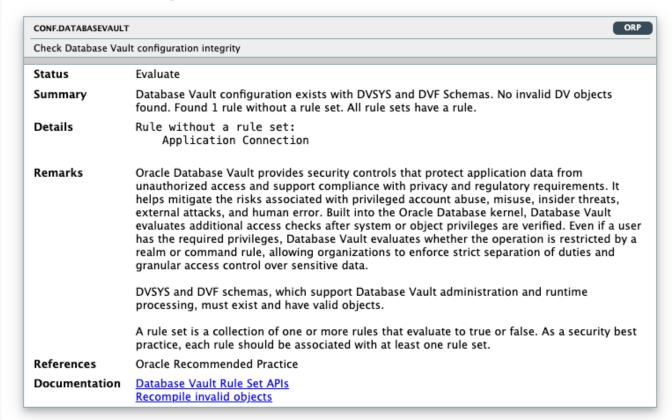
It also verifies if users have been properly authorized for specific operations (e.g., Data Pump export/import requires roles and a specific Database Vault authorization) and checks if Database Vault operation control is enabled.



Database Vault (3/3)



Database Vault Configuration



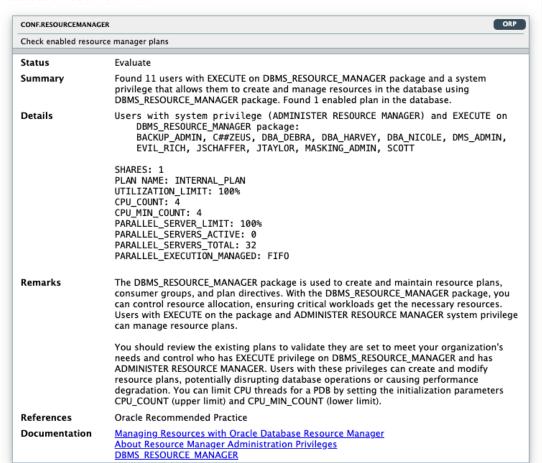
Checks for Database Vault integrity.
Validates the presence of both the DVSYS
and DVF schemas, checks for invalid
Database Vault objects, identifies rules that
are not associated with any rule sets, and
flags any empty rule sets.



Resource Manager Plans



Database Resource Plans



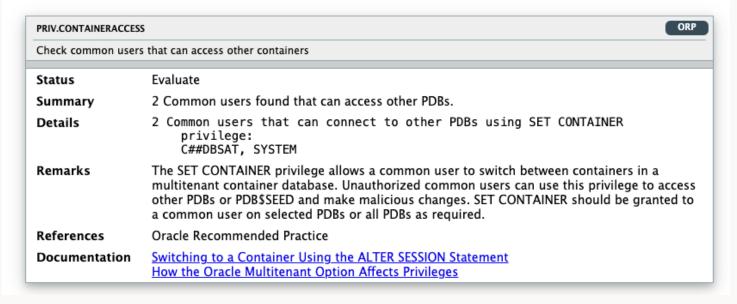
Checks for users with EXECUTE on DBMS_RESOURCE_MANAGER package and with ADMINISTER RESOURCE MANAGER system privilege. Also lists the existing resource plans.



Container Access



Container Access Privilege Grants



Displays information about common users with set container privilege grants.

This is a CDB check.



Database Shared Memory Access



Database Shared Memory CONF.SGA Check OS group access to database shared memory Status Pass Database shared memory has owner access only. Summary Details ALLOW_GROUP_ACCESS_TO_SGA = FALSE Oracle Database 12c Release 2 (12.2.0.1) and later versions limit read and write access on Remarks System Global Area (SGA) to only the Oracle software installation owner. This is achieved by setting ALLOW GROUP ACCESS TO SGA to FALSE, which restricts access to the Oracle installation owner account and removes SGA access for OSDBA group members. Oracle strongly recommends that you accept the default permissions that limit access to the SGA to the Oracle user account. References **Oracle Recommended Practice Documentation ALLOW GROUP ACCESS TO SGA**

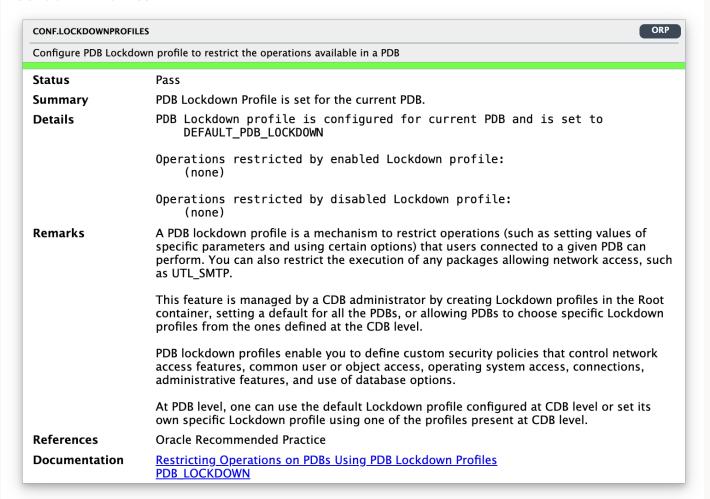
Checks if only the Oracle software installation owner have read and write access to the SGA.



PDB Lockdown Profiles



Lockdown Profiles



Checks whether a PDB lockdown profile is configured for the current PDB. If a profile is set, it lists the restricted functionalities along with their current status. Also verifies if the PDB_LOCKDOWN parameter is set and displays its value.



Better Usability & Advanced Options

Collect just X rows.

```
./dbsat collect -r 16000 dbsat_admin@freepdb1 pdb1
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Show warning and generate collector.log file.

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./dbsat collect -d dbsat_admin@freepdb1 pdb1
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Generate the report just in HTML format.

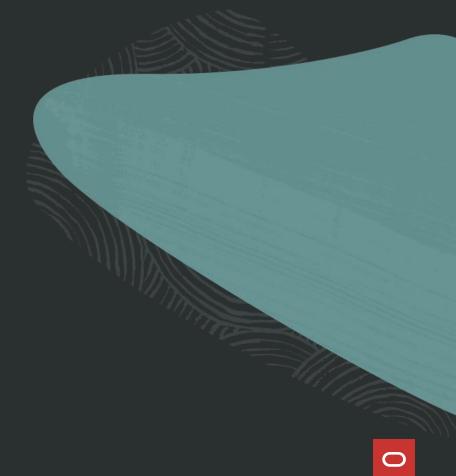
```
./dbsat report -f html pdb1
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Extract report from .dbsat encrypted output files

```
./dbsat extract pdb1
```



How can DBSAT Help?



Assess your database security before hackers come knocking



Know Your Users, Roles, and Privileges Know Your Sensitive Data

How to Get Started?

Quick & Simple!



3-Step flow

Run
./dbsat collect

2 Run
./dbsat report

Run
./dbsat discover

Collector & Reporter

Collects metadata information on users, roles, privileges, security configuration, and policies in place. Generates a Security Assessment report.

Generates summary output with prioritized findings

Summary table with identified risks organized by domains: Basic information, user accounts, privileges and roles, authorization control, fine-grained access control, auditing, encryption, config, etc.

Over 140 detailed findings with remarks

Each finding contains a one line explanation of what is expected, a risk level, details, remarks, and documentation links..

References to Oracle Best Practices, CIS Benchmark, STIG Rules and GDPR articles/recitals

Along with Oracle Database security development organization recommended practices, there is a mapping to CIS, STIG rules, and EU GDPR articles and recitals.



Discoverer

Scan column names and comments metadata to discover sensitive data. Generates a Sensitive Data Assessment report.

Discovers sensitive data

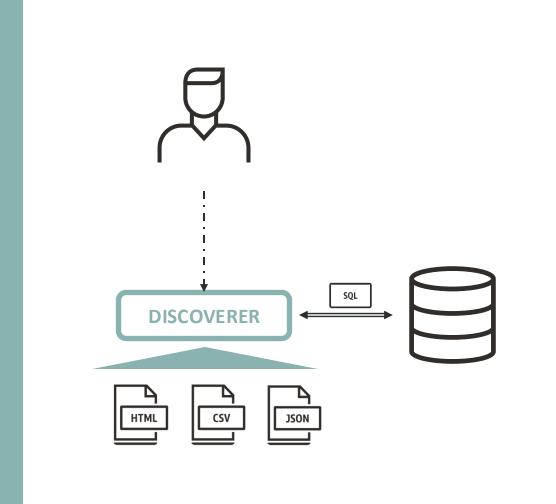
Get summary and details on Sensitive Data Categories and Types (125+), tables, columns, rows, and risk levels.

Provides recommendations on security controls

Get recommendations on which security controls to put in place to protect your sensitive data.

Customizable

Leverage the existing sample files to expand or adapt to your specific needs.



What else?

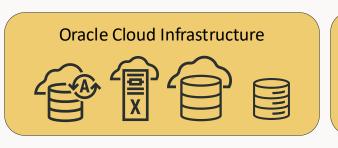
Periodic scheduled assessments, baselining, assessment history, drift report, user risk assessment

Data Safe helps secure Oracle database targets everywhere













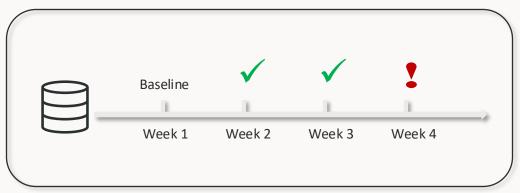


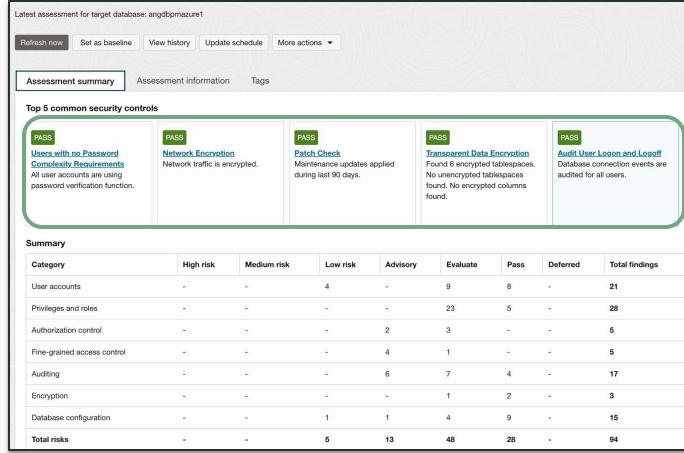
Get instant insights into database security configuration

Data Safe Security Assessment



- Assess security configurations
- Fleet-wide view of risks and
- Detect configuration drifts





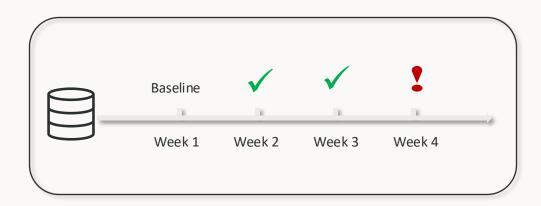


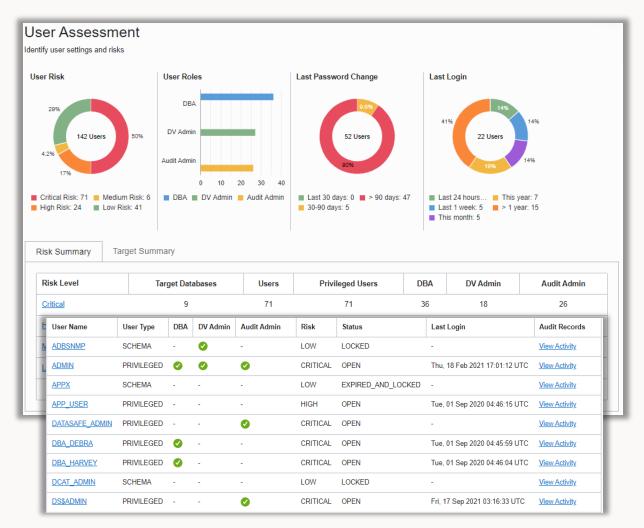
Reduce risk from users by managing roles/privileges and policies



Data Safe User Risk Assessment

- Identify highly privileged users
- Reduce user account risks
- Spot user and entitlement changes
- Review who can access specific data and how access was granted







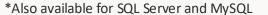
Audit Vault and Database Firewall for Oracle Database

Database Security Posture Management (DSPM)

- ✓ Database Discovery
- ✓ Privileged User Discovery
- ✓ Sensitive Data Discovery
- ✓ Security Assessment
- ✓ Audit Policy Management
- ✓ Report Before/After Values*
- ✓ Audit reports for Key Vault, Database Vault, SQL Firewall

Best Auditing, Activity Monitoring, and Posture Management for Oracle databases







DBSAT vs. Data Safe vs. AVDF capabilities (2/2)

Capabilities	Data Safe	AVDF	DBSAT
Overall security configuration status	Yes	Yes	Yes
Configuration drift detection and reporting	Yes	Yes	-
User Risk Assessment/User Entitlement Reporting	Yes	Yes+	-
Sensitive Data Discovery	Yes	Yes*	Yes*
Centralized management of assessment on multiple targets	Yes	Yes	-
Historical reports and management	Yes	Yes	-
Supports cloud, on-premises and Cloud@Customer targets	Yes	Yes	Yes
Available as	OCI Cloud Service	OCI Marketplace image or on- premises installation	Command line

⁺ No risk scoring; AVDF entitlement report includes user role and privilege grants, system privilege grants, object privilege grants - with drift.



st Checks only for column names and comments, but not data

DBSAT vs. Data Safe vs. AVDF capabilities (2/2)

Capabilities	Data Safe	AVDF	DBSAT
Configure deferred risks	Yes	Yes	-
Top 5 common control deficiencies	Yes	-	-
Security Controls in use	Yes	Yes	Yes

Summary



Get Started with DBSAT 4.0

Easy to install and run

Download:

oracle.com/security/database-security/assessment-tool/

Generate Reports:

- Security assessment:
 - Run dbsat collect on your target database
 - Run dbsat report to create the assessment report
- Sensitive data discovery:
 - Run dbsat discover (no collect step required)

DBSAT is free for customers with an active support contract.



Action plan

Monday Morning

Run DBSAT to assess your current database security state.

Next 30 days

Fix obvious mistakes and high-risk findings.

Evaluate **Data Safe** or **Audit Vault and Database Firewall**.

What is measured gets done!

A data breach impacts your business.

Next 90 days

Update Data Security strategy to include database security best practices.

Plan. Trust is hard to build and easy to lose.



Want to learn more?

Free hands-on labs that help you learn how to use the different security features and options

Database Security office hours

– second Wednesday of each
month

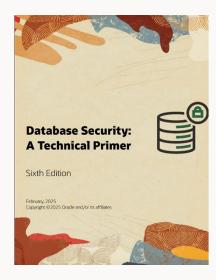
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