



# Flexible NetFlow v9 Export Format

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This feature enables sending export packets using the Version 9 export format.

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## Finding Feature Information

Your software release may not support all the features documented in this module. For the latest caveats and feature information, see [Bug Search Tool](#) and the release notes for your platform and software release. To find information about the features documented in this module, and to see a list of the releases in which each feature is supported, see the feature information table at the end of this module.

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## Prerequisites for Flexible NetFlow v9 Export Format

- The networking device must be running a Cisco release that supports Flexible NetFlow.

## Information About Flexible NetFlow v9 Export Format

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## Flow Exporters

Flow exporters are created as separate components in a router's configuration. Exporters are assigned to flow monitors to export the data from the flow monitor cache to a remote system such as a NetFlow collector. Flow monitors can support more than one exporter. Each exporter can be customized to meet the requirements of the flow monitor or monitors in which it is used and the NetFlow collector systems to which it is exporting data.

## Benefits of Flexible NetFlow Flow Exporters

Flexible NetFlow allows you to configure many different flow exporters, depending on your requirements. Some of the benefits of Flexible NetFlow flow exporters are as follows:

- Using flow exporters, you can create an exporter for every type of traffic that you want to analyze so that you can send each type of traffic to a different NetFlow collector. Original NetFlow sends the data in a cache for all of the analyzed traffic to a maximum of two export destinations.
- Flow exporters support up to ten exporters per flow monitor. Original NetFlow is limited to only two export destinations per cache.
- Flow exporters can use both TCP and UDP for export.
- Depending on your release, flow exporters can use class of service (CoS) in the packets that are sent to export destinations to help ensure that the packets are given the correct priority throughout the network. Original NetFlow exporters do not use CoS in the packets that are sent to export destinations.
- Depending on your release, flow exporter traffic can be encrypted.

## How to Configure Flexible NetFlow v9 Export Format

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## Configuring the Flow Exporter

To configure the flow exporter, perform the following required task.

**Note**

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Each flow exporter supports only one destination. If you want to export the data to multiple destinations, you must configure multiple flow exporters and assign them to the flow monitor.

You can export to a destination using either an IPv4 or IPv6 address.

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**SUMMARY STEPS**

1. **enable**
2. **configure terminal**
3. **flow exporter** *exporter-name*
4. **description** *description*
5. **destination** {*ip-address* | *hostname*} [**vrf** *vrf-name*]
6. **export-protocol** {**netflow-v5** | **netflow-v9** | **ipfix**}
7. **dscp** *dscp*
8. **source** *interface-type interface-number*
9. **option** {**exporter-stats** | **interface-table** | **sampler-table**| **vrf-table**} [**timeout** *seconds*]
10. **output-features**
11. **template data timeout** *seconds*
12. **transport udp** *udp-port*
13. **ttl** *seconds*
14. **end**
15. **show flow exporter** *exporter-name*
16. **show running-config flow exporter** *exporter-name*

**DETAILED STEPS**

|               | <b>Command or Action</b>   | <b>Purpose</b>  |
|---------------|--|---|
| <b>Step 1</b> | <b>enable</b><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>Device> enable   | Enables privileged EXEC mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enter your password if prompted.</li> </ul>  |
| <b>Step 2</b> | <b>configure terminal</b><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>Device# configure terminal                               | Enters global configuration mode.   |
| <b>Step 3</b> | <b>flow exporter</b> <i>exporter-name</i><br><br><b>Example:</b><br>Device(config)# flow exporter EXPORTER-1 | Creates the flow exporter and enters Flexible NetFlow flow exporter configuration mode. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• This command also allows you to modify an existing flow exporter.</li> </ul> |

| Command or Action  | Purpose   |
|--|---|
| <p><b>Step 4</b> <code>description</code> <i>description</i></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Device(config-flow-exporter)# description Exports to the datacenter</pre>   | <p>(Optional) Configures a description to the exporter that will appear in the configuration and the display of the <b>show flow exporter</b> command.</p>  |
| <p><b>Step 5</b> <code>destination</code> {<i>ip-address</i>   <i>hostname</i>} [<b>vrf</b> <i>vrf-name</i>]</p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Device(config-flow-exporter)# destination 172.16.10.2</pre>   | <p>Specifies the IP address or hostname of the destination system for the exporter.</p> <p><b>Note</b> You can export to a destination using either an IPv4 or IPv6 address.</p>  |
| <p><b>Step 6</b> <code>export-protocol</code> {<b>netflow-v5</b>   <b>netflow-v9</b>   <b>ipfix</b>}</p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Device(config-flow-exporter)# export- protocol netflow-v9</pre>   | <p>Specifies the version of the NetFlow export protocol used by the exporter. The export of extracted fields from NBAR is supported only over IPFIX.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Default: <b>netflow-v9</b>.</li> </ul>                        |
| <p><b>Step 7</b> <code>dscp</code> <i>dscp</i></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Device(config-flow-exporter)# dscp 63</pre>   | <p>(Optional) Configures differentiated services code point (DSCP) parameters for datagrams sent by the exporter.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The range for the <i>dscp</i> argument is from 0 to 63. Default: 0.</li> </ul>                   |
| <p><b>Step 8</b> <code>source</code> <i>interface-type interface-number</i></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Device(config-flow-exporter)# source ethernet 0/0</pre>  | <p>(Optional) Specifies the local interface from which the exporter will use the IP address as the source IP address for exported datagrams.</p>  |
| <p><b>Step 9</b> <code>option</code> {<b>exporter-stats</b>   <b>interface-table</b>   <b>sampler-table</b>  <b>vrf-table</b>} [<b>timeout</b> <i>seconds</i>]</p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Device(config-flow-exporter)# option exporter-stats timeout 120</pre> | <p>(Optional) Configures options data parameters for the exporter.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• You can configure all three options concurrently.</li> <li>• The range for the <i>seconds</i> argument is 1 to 86,400. Default: 600.</li> </ul> |

| Command or Action   | Purpose   |
|---|---|
| <p><b>Step 10</b> <b>output-features</b></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Device(config-flow-exporter)# output-features</pre>  | <p>(Optional) Enables sending export packets using quality of service (QoS) and encryption.</p>   |
| <p><b>Step 11</b> <b>template data timeout <i>seconds</i></b></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Device(config-flow-exporter)# template data timeout 120</pre>                     | <p>(Optional) Configure resending of templates based on a timeout.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The range for the <i>seconds</i> argument is 1 to 86400 (86400 seconds = 24 hours).</li> </ul>        |
| <p><b>Step 12</b> <b>transport udp <i>udp-port</i></b></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Device(config-flow-exporter)# transport udp 650</pre>                                    | <p>Specifies the UDP port on which the destination system is listening for exported datagrams.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The range for the <i>udp-port</i> argument is from 1 to 65536.</li> </ul> |
| <p><b>Step 13</b> <b>ttl <i>seconds</i></b></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Device(config-flow-exporter)# ttl 15</pre>  | <p>(Optional) Configures the time-to-live (TTL) value for datagrams sent by the exporter.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The range for the <i>seconds</i> argument is from 1 to 255.</li> </ul>         |
| <p><b>Step 14</b> <b>end</b></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Device(config-flow-exporter)# end</pre>  | <p>Exits flow exporter configuration mode and returns to privileged EXEC mode.</p>  |
| <p><b>Step 15</b> <b>show flow exporter <i>exporter-name</i></b></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Device# show flow exporter FLOW_EXPORTER-1</pre>                               | <p>(Optional) Displays the current status of the specified flow exporter.</p>   |
| <p><b>Step 16</b> <b>show running-config flow exporter <i>exporter-name</i></b></p> <p><b>Example:</b></p> <pre>Device# show running-config flow exporter FLOW_EXPORTER-1</pre> | <p>(Optional) Displays the configuration of the specified flow exporter.</p>  |

# Configuration Examples for Flexible NetFlow v9 Export Format

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## Example: Configuring NetFlow v9 Export Format

The following example shows how to configure version 9 export for Flexible NetFlow.

This sample starts in global configuration mode:

```
!
flow exporter EXPORTER-1
 destination 172.16.10.2
 export-protocol netflow-v9
 transport udp 90
 exit
!
flow monitor FLOW-MONITOR-1
 record netflow ipv4 original-input
 exporter EXPORTER-1
!
ip cef
!
interface GigabitEthernet 0/0/0
 ip address 172.16.6.2 255.255.255.0
 ip flow monitor FLOW-MONITOR-1 input
!
```

## Additional Reference for Flexible NetFlow v9 Export Format

### Related Documents

| Related Topic   | Document Title   |
|---|--|
| Cisco IOS commands  | <a href="#">Cisco IOS Master Commands List, All Releases</a> |
| Flexible NetFlow conceptual and configuration information | <i>Flexible NetFlow Configuration Guide</i>                  |
| Configuration commands for Flexible NetFlow               | <i>Cisco IOS Flexible NetFlow Command Reference</i>          |

### Standards

| Standard | Title |
|----------|-------|
| None.    | --    |

**MIBs**

| MIB  | MIBs Link  |
|------|--|
| None | To locate and download MIBs for selected platforms, Cisco IOS releases, and feature sets, use Cisco MIB Locator found at the following URL:<br><a href="http://www.cisco.com/go/mibs">http://www.cisco.com/go/mibs</a> |

**RFCs**

| RFC      | Title   |
|----------|---|
| RFC 3954 | Cisco Systems NetFlow Services Export Version 9 |

**Technical Assistance**

| Description   | Link  |
|---|---|
| <p>The Cisco Support website provides extensive online resources, including documentation and tools for troubleshooting and resolving technical issues with Cisco products and technologies.</p> <p>To receive security and technical information about your products, you can subscribe to various services, such as the Product Alert Tool (accessed from Field Notices), the Cisco Technical Services Newsletter, and Really Simple Syndication (RSS) Feeds.</p> <p>Access to most tools on the Cisco Support website requires a Cisco.com user ID and password.</p> | <a href="http://www.cisco.com/cisco/web/support/index.html">http://www.cisco.com/cisco/web/support/index.html</a> |

## Feature Information for Flexible NetFlow NetFlow v9 Export Format

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**Table 1**      **Feature Information for Flexible NetFlow v9 Export Format**

| Feature Name                               | Releases   | Feature Information   |
|--|--|---|
| Flexible NetFlow--NetFlow v9 Export Format | 12.2(33)SRE  | Enables sending export packets using the Version 9 export format.   |
|  | 12.2(50)SY   |   |
|  | 12.4(9)T   | Support for this feature was added for Cisco 7200 and 7300 Network Processing Engine (NPE) series routers in Cisco IOS Release 12.2(33)SRE. |
|  | 15.0(1)SY  |   |
|  | 15.0(1)SY1   |   |
|  | Cisco IOS XE Release 3.2SE   |   |
|  | The following commands were introduced or modified: <b>export-protocol</b> . |   |

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