

Cisco Nexus Dashboard Insights Analysis Hub, Release 6.3.1 - For Cisco NDFC

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New and Changed Information

The following table provides an overview of the significant changes up to the current release. The table does not provide an exhaustive list of all changes or of the new features up to this release.

Table 1. New Features and Changed Behavior in the Cisco Nexus Dashboard Insights

Feature	Description	Release	Where Documented
Sustainability	Sustainability report helps you monitor, predict, and improve your network's energy usage, its related carbon emissions, and its total energy cost.	6.3.1	Sustainability Report
Scale Conformace	In the Conformance report, you can now view the scale conformance status for sites.	6.3.1	Conformance Report
Enable ELAM	The feature allows you to enable ELAM by selecting the Analyze Active Path check box to analyze an available active flow for additional connectivity information.	6.3.1	Connectivity Analysis
L4 Port Information	The feature allows you to enter L4 Port information like source port, destination port and protocol information to configure a job.	6.3.1	Connectivity Analysis
Support ELAM captures	The feature allows you to view ELAM reports for sites in which ELAM is triggered.	6.3.1	Connectivity Analysis

Feature	Description	Release	Where Documented
Reorganized Content	Content within this document was	6.3.1	
	originally provided in the Cisco Nexus		
	Dashboard Insights User Guide. Starting		
	with release 6.3.1, this		
	content is now provided solely in this		
	document and is no longer provided in the		
	Cisco Nexus Dashboard Insights User Guide.		

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Sustainability Report

Sustainability Report

Cisco Nexus Dashboard Insights Sustainability report helps you monitor, predict, and improve your network's energy usage, its related carbon emissions, and its total energy cost. Sustainability report enables you to get insights on energy utilization, CO2 emissions, and energy cost for all your sites on a monthly basis.

The report is generated by calculating the monthly values for Power Consumption and by summing the usage data across all of your devices at each of your sites for every single day in the selected month. This data is then combined with our third-party services such as Electricity Maps to provide greater insight into what that usage means in terms of energy cost, estimated emissions, and estimated switch power consumption.

The summary area of the report contains information such as estimated cost, estimated switch power consumption, sources of emission, and estimated emissions.

- Estimated Cost gives you insight into any expected increase or decrease in your sites' energy bills based on your monthly energy use.
- Estimated Switch Power Consumption gives you insight into how efficiently your switches are using electricity.
- Estimated Emissions gives you insight into the sustainability your sites have on your total CO2 emissions, based on the sources and amount of energy used.

Using Sustainability report you can

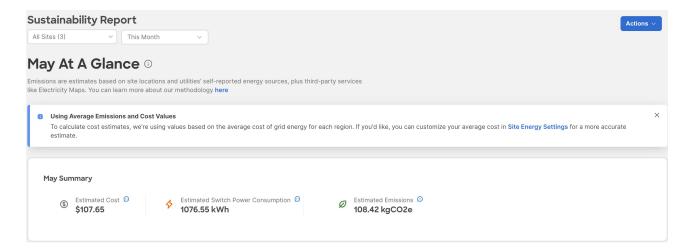
- Better anticipate increases in your sites' energy bills so that your budgets more accurately reflect real-world usage.
- Better follow the hourly energy usage of an individual site. By spreading out usage to avoid peak hours surcharges, you may be able to lower your electricity bill over time.
- See the direct sustainability impact running your fabric has on climate change. Following your emissions over time also gives you the ability to choose lower-carbon sources and track your progress towards meeting ESG goals.

View Sustainability Report

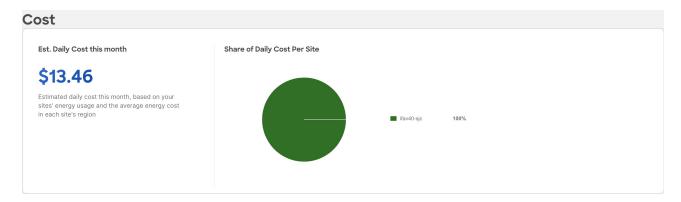
- 1. Navigate to **Analyze > Analysis Hub > Sustainability Report**.
- 2. Select an online site or multiple online sites from the dropdown menu.
- 3. Select a time range from the dropdown menu.
- 4. Click Prepare Report.

Sustainability report displays At A Glance, Cost, Energy, and Emissions information for a particular site in the selected month.

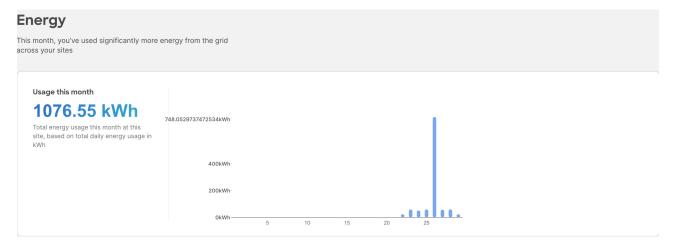
5. The **At A Glance** area displays summary of the estimated cost, estimated switch power consumption, and estimated emissions in the selected month. Click the **Learn More** icon for more information.



6. The **Cost** area displays the estimated daily cost in the selected month and share of daily cost per site.



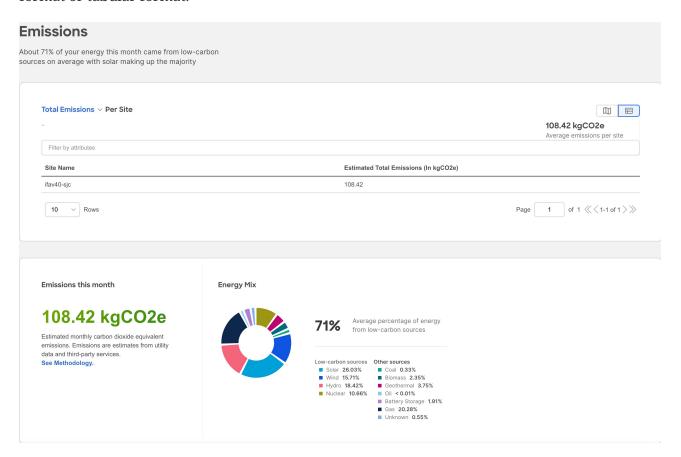
- 7. To calculate cost estimates Nexus Dashboard Insights uses values based on the average cost of grid energy for each region. From the Actions menu, select **Site Energy Settings** to customize your average cost for the current month for a more accurate estimate. In the Site Energy Settings page, you can update the cost for a particular site for the current month.
- 8. The **Energy** area displays the energy usage in the selected month in kWh.



9. The **Emissions** area displays the Total emissions or Efficiency Index per site, estimated monthly carbon dioxide equivalent emissions, average percentage of energy from low-carbon sources

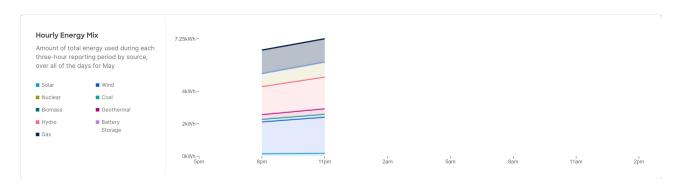
and other sources, and percent of total energy used during each three-hour reporting period by source, over all of the days in the selected month.

For Total emissions or Efficiency Index per site use toggle to view the information in graphical format or tabular format.



10. Select a site from the site dropdown menu to view the Hourly energy mix.

Hourly energy mix displays the amount of total energy used during each three-hour reporting period by source, over all of the days in the selected month. The minimum period before you can generate the next report is 3 hour.



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Conformance Report

Conformance Report

Conformance report enables you to visualize and understand the lifecycle of your hardware and software in the network. This assists you in planning upgrades and hardware refresh. Conformance Report is generated everyday for each site for hardware and software conformance and weekly for each site for scale conformance. In the report you can view the conformance status of software, hardware, combination of both software and hardware, and scale conformance status for sites.

You can use Conformance Report to view current and project the future status of software and hardware inventory in your network against known EoS and EoL notices to ensure conformance. You can also monitor scale conformance status for onboarded sites.

Using Conformance Report you can,

- Minimize risk of running End-of-Sale (EoS) or End-of-Life (EoL) switches.
- View current status of software and hardware inventory in your network against known EoS and EoL notices to ensure conformance.
- Project the future outlook of software and hardware inventory in your network.
- Monitor scale conformance status for onboarded sites.

Conformance Report displays the summary of conformance status for software, hardware, and scale for selected sites.

In the Conformance report, for hardware and software conformance switches are classified into 3 severities based on the software release or hardware platform EoL dates and end of PSIRT dates. The severities include:

- Critical: End of PSIRT date or Last Date of Support occurs in the past.
- Warning: EoL date for software release or EoS for hardware release occurs in the past.
- Healthy: End of PSIRT date, or Last Date of Support and EoL date or software release or EoS for hardware release occurs in the future, or EoL for software release or EoS for hardware release is not announced.

The End of SW Maintenance Releases Date in the End-of-Sale and End-of-Life Announcement and the end of PSIRT date is used as reference milestone to classify the inventory into a category of Critical, Warning, or Healthy.

In the Conformance report, the scale conformance status for sites is based on Cisco's Verified Scalability Guidelines for the software version running in switches and controllers when applicable. The severities include:

- Conformant: All metric values are under 90%.
- Approaching limits: One or more metric values are between 90% and 100%.
- Violated Limits: One or more metric values are over 100%.

Access Conformance Report

Navigate to **Analyze** > **Analysis Hub** > **Conformance**.

Select a site from the dropdown menu.

OR

Navigate to **Operate** > **Sites**.

Select a Site.

In the General section, click **Conformance**.

Click View Report.

View Conformance Report

- 1. Navigate to a Conformance Report. See Access Conformance Report.
- 2. Select a site or All Sites from the dropdown menu.
- 3. Select a Current month or a previous month from the dropdown menu. You can select a previous month only if previous month reports are available.
 - Conformance Report displays conformance summary, hardware and software conformance, and scale conformance.
- 4. The Summary page displays devices by hardware conformance status, devices by software conformance status and scale conformance status for sites or switches. Click View Conformance Criteria to learn more.
- 5. The Hardware or Software page displays conformance status, conformance outlook, and device details.
 - a. In the Conformance Outlook section, click **Overall**, or **Software**, or **Hardware** to view the conformance for software and hardware, software only or hardware only.
 - b. The Device Details lists details for hardware and software.
 - c. The details for hardware include device name, site name, hardware conformance status, model, role, hardware end of vulnerability support for a particular device. Click device name to view additional details.
 - d. The details for software include device name, site name, software conformance status, model, software version, role, software end of vulnerability support for a particular device. Click device name to view additional details.

- e. Use search to filter by attributes such as device, site, hardware conformance status, software conformance status, model, software version, and role.
- f. Use the gear icon to customize the columns in the table.
- 6. The Scale page displays all sites summary, scale conformance, and scale metrics.
 - a. The All Sites Summary section displays overall scale conformance level, top 5 switches by scalability metric violations, scalability metrics for controller and switches, and total scalability metrics violations.
 - b. Click View Conformance Criteria to learn more.
 - c. The Scale Conformance section displays the scale conformance for controller and switch in the last 6 months if the scale reports for previous months are available.
 - d. The All Scale Metrics section displays the scale metrics details for sites and switches. The All Scale Metrics section is displayed, if you select All sites from the drop-down menu.
 - i. The details for sites include site name, type, software version, controller metrics conformance, switch metrics conformance. Click site name to view additional details.
 - ii. The details for switches include switch name, site name, software version, model, forward scale profile, metrics conformance. Click switch name to view additional details.
 - iii. Use search to filter by attributes such as site, type, software version.
 - iv. Use the gear icon to customize the columns in the table.
 - e. The Site Level Scale Metrics and Switch Level Scale Metrics displays the scale metrics details for a site and switches associated with the site. These sections are displayed, if you select one site from the drop-down menu.
 - i. The details for a site include metric, conformance status, and resource usage,
 - ii. The details for switches include switch name, site name, software version, model, forward scale profile, metrics conformance. Click switch name to view additional details.
- 7. From the Actions menu, click **Run Report** to run an on-demand report.

Connectivity Analysis

Connectivity Analysis

Connectivity Analysis feature enables you to run a quick or full analysis for a flow within a fabric. It is a micro-service launched through Nexus Dashboard Insights, used for tracing end-to-end forwarding path for a given flow and narrowing down the offending device on its path.

Connectivity Analysis detects and isolates offending nodes in the network for a given flow and includes the following functionalities:

- Traces all possible forwarding paths for a given flow across source to destination endpoints.
- Identifies the offending device with issue, resulting in the flow drop.
- Helps troubleshoot to narrow down the root cause of the issue, including running forwarding path checks, software and hardware states programming consistencies through consistency-checkers, and further details related to packets walkthrough.

The Cisco NX-OS standalone switches agent is a RPM based application service, which is preinstalled on the Cisco NX-OS. The Nexus Dashboard Insights agent gets the path for a specific flow. The job uses the active path returned to go to the next hop running the connectivity analysis job.

Guidelines and Limitations

- At a time, you can submit up to 10 jobs per site.
- At any point of time, you can run only 1 connectivity analysis job per site. You can stop a job in the queue and run another job.
- Connectivity Analysis feature is supported on Cisco NX-OS release 9.3(7) and later.
- Whenever RPM is available, it is recommended to upgrade. Upgrading the RPM has no impact on traffic forwarding or on the switch.

Supported Topologies

- Endpoint combinations:
 - EP-EP
- Conversation types:
 - L2, L3, L4 (TCP/UDP)
 - V4 and V6 support
 - Transit and Proxy flows
 - Shared Service
- Topologies:
 - \circ VxLAN
 - vPC

Schedule a Connectivity Analysis

Navigate to Analyze > Analysis Hub > Connectivity Analysis > Create Connectivity Analysis.

General

1. Enter a Connectivity Analysis Name and select a Site

Analysis Details

1. Choose L2 or L3 routed flow.

The Analysis details page shows a banner with the number of nodes that are compatible and up to date. You can click on **View Nodes** to view the list of nodes along with the following information:

- Name of the node
- Serial Number
- Device version
- Current FSV version
- Latest FSV version
- Platform
- Site
- Compatibility
- Status



If an upgrade is available, it's better to be on that version to get the latest RPM installed in the switches.

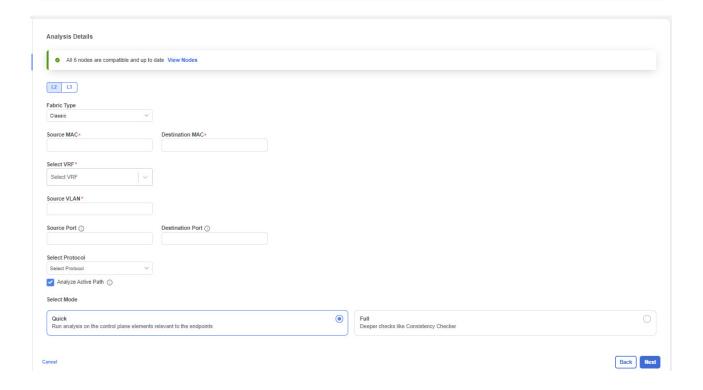
2. Choose **Classic** or **VxLAN** fabric type. Enter the mandatory fields and optional fields to configure the job.

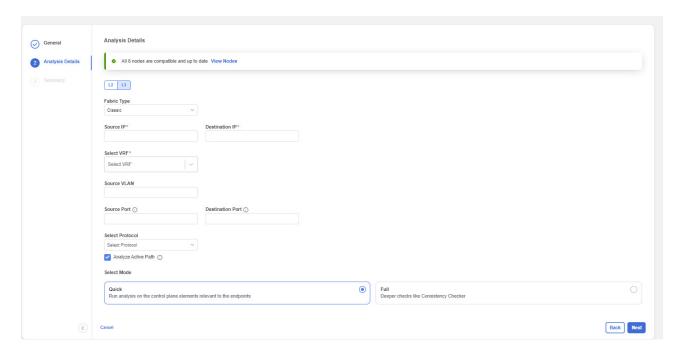
Connectivity Analysis Job	Input Fields
Classic LAN - L3 routed flow	Mandatory: Source IP address, Destination IP address, and VRF.
	Optional: Source VLAN, Protocol, Source Port and Destination Port.
Classic LAN - L2 flow	Mandatory: Source MAC, Destination MAC, VRF, Source VLAN
	Optional: Source Port, Destination Port, Protocol

Connectivity Analysis Job	Input Fields
VXLAN – L2 VNI switched flow	Mandatory: Source MAC, Destination MAC, VRF, Source VLAN Optional: Source Port, Destination Port, Protocol
VXLAN – L3 VNI routed flow	Mandatory: Source IP address, Destination IP address, and VRF. Optional: Source VLAN, Protocol, Source Port and Destination Port.

Select the **Analyze Active Path** check box if you want the Connectivity Analysis to analyze an available active flow to provide additional connectivity information. If you use this option, the analysis may take longer, as a long live flow is needed for the effectiveness of the tool.

You can enable ELAM through 'Analyze Active Path' option.





3. Toggle between the **Mode** - **Quick** or **Full**.

The **Quick** validator traces the network path using L2, L3, and VXLAN CLI for a specific flow to detect and isolate the offending nodes that result in the flow drop.

The **Full** validator runs a deeper analysis with consistency checker between software and hardware for programming consistencies. It also traces the network path using L2, L3, and VXLAN CLI for a specific flow.

Summary

This displays a summary of all the data entered to run the analysis job.

The post success screen comes up options to **Create Another Connectivity Analysis** or **View Connectivity Analysis**.

Connectivity Analysis Dashboard

The **Connectivity Analysis** Dashboard displays the list of connectivity analysis jobs along with a graph of the analyses by job and flow status. You can view the analyses based on any selected timeline. By default, the timeline is set to latest.

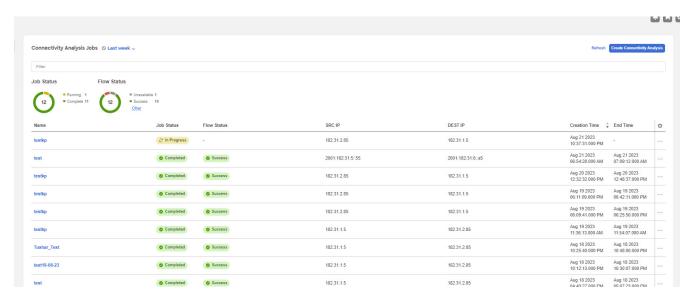
The Job and Flow Status are color coded. The following table lists the color along with the corresponding status.

Color	Status
Red	Failed
Green	Complete
Yellow	In Progress
Blue	Other

The filter bar allows you to filters the analysis by the following objects:

- Job status
- Flow status
- Name
- SRC IP
- DEST IP
- Analyze Active path
- Creation Time
- End time
- Source MAC
- Destination MAC
- Source port
- Destination port
- Protocol

See Filtering Information to view the available operators that can be used to filter the information.



The page displays the Connectivity Analysis jobs in a tabular form and are sorted by status. You can customize the view by hiding/showing some of the columns of the table using the gear icon.

The following fields are available for each analysis:

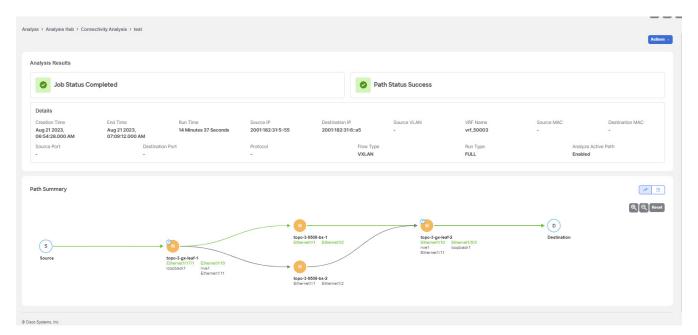
- Job status
- Flow status
- Name
- SRC IP
- DEST IP
- Analyze Active path

- Creation Time
- End time
- Source MAC
- Destination MAC
- Source port
- Destination port
- Protocol

The refresh button allows you to refresh the page to view any new analyses that have run in the background. The **Create Connectivity Analysis** button allows you to create a new analysis. Select any connectivity analysis job in the table to display additional details.

The **Connectivity Analysis** status displays the following information:

- Analysis Results
- Path Summary



Analysis Results

Analysis Results shows the Job and Path status of the node. It also displays the following details about the analysis:

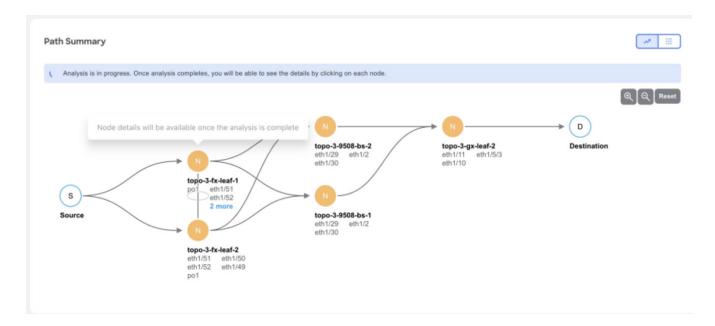
- Creation Time
- End Time
- Run Time
- Source IP
- · Destination IP
- Source VLAN

- VRF Name
- Source MAC
- Destination MAC
- Source Port
- Destination Port
- Protocol
- Flow Type
- Run Type
- Analyze Active Path This shows the active path status. Active path is the one where the actual traffic flows through the specific interfaces of all the available interfaces.

Path Summary

The path summary displays a workflow of the path where the traffic flows from the source port to the destination port. The green circle around each node signifies that the nodes are included in the active path. Double-click on a particular node to view the relevant details about it. The +, -, and the **Reset** allows you to zoom in, out and reset the size of the path summary.

The Real Path from topology can be calculated if active flow exists. This is created only when the Source and Destination ports are filled. It is available as a preview graph in grey when the job is in progress. Once completed the path becomes green and the nodes in the topology graph will be clickable.



Node Details

The following information is available for the nodes:

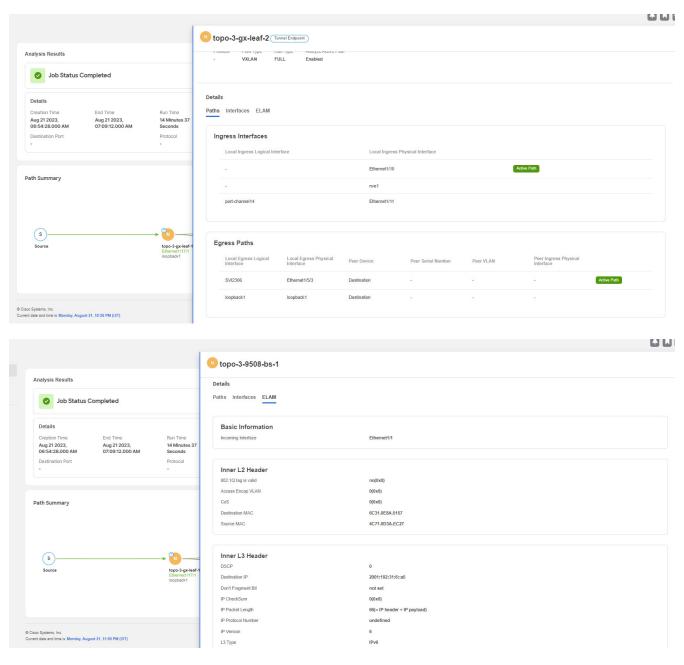
- General
 - Job ID

- Source Address
- Destination Address
- · Source VLAN
- VRF Name
- Source MAC
- Destination MAC
- Source Port
- Destination Port
- Protocol
- Flow Type
- Run Type
- Analyze Active Path

Details

- 1. Paths Path details for the node. This displays the Ingress Interfaces and the Egress Paths available for the node.
- 2. Interfaces This displays the list of interfaces that are available on the paths.
- 3. ELAM ELAM details. If ELAM is triggered, then the report is available. To view the full report, click **View Full Report**. The ELAM report captures the following information:
 - Basic Information
 - Inner L2 Header
 - Inner L3 Header
 - Capture Packet
 - FPX Latch Results
 - Flood/ Multicast or Forwarding to Remote Leaf
 - Forwarding Lookup
 - Lookup Blocks Information
 - Rewrite Information
 - iFabric Information
 - Lookup Drop
 - Other Forwarding Information
 - Sideband Information
 - Sideband SB Information
 - Sideband SB Multicast Information
 - SUP-TCAM (ACX)
 - Table Lookup Results

• Trigger/Basic Information



The path summary can also be displayed in a tabular form with the menu icon. The following fields are available for each hop of the node:

- Hop Number
- Node name
- Node ID
- Site
- State Validator This tells whether the current state is a success or not.
- Forwarding This tells whether the forwarding was successful or not.
- · Ingress paths
- · Egress paths
- Tunnel Type

Click the Actions drop-down menu to:

- Re-run analysis: To re-run the connectivity analysis.
- Run Reverse Flow analysis: To run the reverse flow analysis.
- Show Event log: To display the event log.

Connectivity Analysis Error Scenarios

A Connectivity Analysis job may fail if:

- There is no active flow traffic in the fabric. Ensure that the traffic flows are active when enabling the active path analysis.
- The destination address is not known in the VRF. Ensure that the destination endpoint is configured in VRF.
- Traffic drops in ELAM. This is visible in the path summary.
- The consistency checker fails.

Filtering Information

In some cases, you might be able to filter results to find information more easily.

For example, you might have a situation where there a large number of endpoints under a single leaf switch, but you are only interested in endpoints that have a certain VLAN value.

You could filter the information to show only those specific endpoints in this situation.

Use the following operators for the filter refinement:

Operator	Description
==	With the initial filter type, this operator, and a subsequent value, returns an exact match.
!=	With the initial filter type, this operator, and a subsequent value, returns all that do not have the same value.
contains	With the initial filter type, this operator, and a subsequent value, returns all that contain the value.
!contains	With the initial filter type, this operator, and a subsequent value, returns all that do not contain the value.
<	With the initial filter type, this operator, and a subsequent value, returns a match less than the value.

Operator	Description
< =	With the initial filter type, this operator, and a subsequent value, returns a match less than or equal to the value.
>	With the initial filter type, this operator, and a subsequent value, returns a match greater than the value.
>=	With the initial filter type, this operator, and a subsequent value, returns a match greater than or equal to the value.

Delta Analysis

Delta Analysis

Nexus Dashboard Insights performs analysis of sites at regular intervals and the data is collected in 15-minute intervals.

At each interval, Nexus Dashboard Insights captures a snapshot of the controller policies and the fabric run time state, performs analysis, and generates anomalies. The anomalies generated describe the health of the network at that snapshot.

Delta analysis enables you to analyze the difference in the policy, run time state, and the health of the network between two snapshots.

Create Delta Analysis enables you to create a new delta analysis and manage existing analysis. See Creating Delta Analysis.

Health Delta

Health Delta analyses the difference in the health of the fabric across the two snapshots.

See Viewing Health Delta Analysis for more details.

Policy Delta for NDFC

Policy Delta for NDFC sites analyzes the changed nodes or switches across two snapshots and obtains a co-related view of what has changed in the NX-OS switches.

See Viewing Policy Delta Analysis for more details.

Guidelines and Limitations

- The Delta Analysis functionality currently supports the local authentication domain only.
- While you are currently allowed to create more than one Delta Analyses at any given time, we recommend that you do not queue more than one Delta Analysis at any given time. In addition, we recommend that you wait for some time (approximately 10 minutes) between creating new analyses to avoid the risk of adversely impacting the run time of the concurrent online site analysis.

The interdependency arises because the Delta Analysis results in an increased load on the database. Sustained high-database load from multiple back-to-back Delta Analyses may affect the run-time of the online analysis.

- When you choose a switch in the **Changed Nodes** area, in **Policy Delta**, the difference in the configuration between the two snapshots is displayed.
- For Policy Delta, Audit Logs is not currently supported.

Creating Delta Analysis

Before You Begin

For ACI Assurance Group users, APIC admin writePriv privileges allow information collection on the APIC host and leaf switches. You must have APIC admin writePriv privileges to configure the APIC Configuration Export Policy.

Procedure

Choose Analyze > Analyze Hub > Delta Analysis > Create Delta Analysis.

- 1. In the **Delta Analysis Name** field, enter the name. The name must be unique across all the analyses.
- 2. Click **Site** to select the site.
- 3. Click **Select Earlier Snapshot** and choose the first snapshot for the delta analysis. Click **Apply**.
- 4. Click **Select Later Snapshot** and choose the second snapshot for the delta analysis. Click **Apply**.
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The two snapshots selected for the delta analysis must belong to the same site.

- 5. View the Summary of the Delta Analysis created in **Summary**.
- 6. Click **Save**. The status of the delta analysis is displayed in the **Delta Analysis** table. Post completion, you can **View Delta Analysis** or **Create another Delta Analysis**.

You can perform one delta analysis at a time. To perform another delta analysis, you must stop the current delta analysis and then start the another delta analysis.

- 1. (Optional) From the Status column, select an In Progress or Scheduled analysis and click **STOP** in the "..." option to stop the delta analysis.
- 2. The **Delete** in the "..." allows you to delete the analysis created.



If there are any errors in the creation of a delta rule, it will be displayed on the summary page of the rule creation as a banner.

Viewing Delta Analysis

The Delta Analysis Dashboard displays a graph of analyses by status for a particular site and displays the latest analyses.

The status of analysis can be either **Aborted**, **Pending**, **Stopped**, **Stopping**, **Success**, **Failed**, **Partially Failed**, **Queued**, **Completed** or **In progress**.

The filter bar allows you to filters the analysis by the following factors:

- status
- name

- submitter id
- site

The page displays the analysis in a tabular form. The analysis are sorted by status. The **Create Delta Analysis** button lets you create a new delta analysis.

- To view the results of health delta analysis, see Viewing Health Delta Analysis.
- To view the results of policy delta analysis, see Viewing Policy Delta Analysis.

Viewing Health Delta Analysis

Health Delta analyses the difference in the health of the fabric across the two snapshots. The results are displayed in the following areas:

• **Anomaly Count**: Displays the difference in anomaly count per severity across the snapshots. If you click on the difference that shows, the **All Anomalies** table gets filtered accordingly.

The first count represents the anomalies found only in the earlier snapshot. The second count represents the anomalies common in both the snapshots. The third count represents the anomalies found only in the later snapshot.

- Health Delta by Resources: Displays the count of resources by type that have seen a change in their health. You can also view the resources who's health has changed by checking the View Changed checkbox. The gear icon allows you to customize the columns as per your view.
- All Anomalies: The Grouped by title view displays the delta status for grouped anomalies
 across the snapshots. The Ungrouped by title view displays the delta status for each anomaly
 across the snapshots.

The Anomalies can be listed for the following kinds of snapshot types:

- Earlier Snapshot
- Later Snapshot
- Earlier Snapshot Only
- · Later Snapshot Only
- · Both Snapshots

The anomalies are displayed in a tabular form with the following fields:

- Title
- Level
- Category
- Count

The gear icon allows you to customize the columns as per your view.

You can filter the results based on the following attributes:

- App Profile DN
- BD DN
- Contract DN
- EPG DN
- L3Out DN
- Leaf DN
- Level
- Tenant DN
- Title
- VRF DN

Select an anomaly to view the anomaly details.

Viewing Policy Delta Analysis

Click **Policy Delta** to view the policy changes across the two snapshots.

Policy Delta includes 2 sections: Changed Nodes and <Switch Name> Policy Viewer.

- Changed Nodes displays the changed nodes or switches across the two snapshots.
- < Switch Name > Policy Viewer displays the configuration across the earlier and later snapshots. The switch configuration for the earlier snapshot is called the earlier snapshot policy. The switch configuration for the later snapshot is called the later snapshot policy.
 - Click **Show More Code Above** or **Show More Code Below** to display more content.
 - Click the download icon to export the snapshot policy.

Log Collector

Log Collector

The Log Collector feature enables you to collect and upload the logs for the devices in your network to Cisco Intersight Cloud. It also enables Cisco TAC to trigger on-demand collection of logs for devices on the site and pulls the logs from Cisco Intersight Cloud.

The Log Collector has two modes:

- User initiated The user collects the logs for devices on the site and then uploads the collected logs to Cisco Intersight Cloud after the log collection job is completed. You can automatically upload the log files to Cisco Intersight Cloud after the log collection job is completed.
- TAC initiated Cisco TAC triggers on-demand collection of logs for specified devices and pulls the logs from Cisco Intersight Cloud.

Device Connectivity Notifier for TAC Initiated Collector

Nexus Dashboard Insights uses the device connectivity issue notifier on Cisco Nexus Dashboard to communicate with the devices. The notifier checks for TAC triggered on-demand collection of logs. In case the fabric is not configured properly to communicate with the device, Nexus Dashboard Insights notifies the following:

- The device is not configured for node interaction.
- You can not run a Log Collector job on the device.
- Nexus Dashboard Insights cannot connect to the device.

If the node interaction is not healthy on the device, you cannot select the device for Log Collector to collect logs. In the GUI, the device is greyed out.

Uploading logs to Cisco Intersight Cloud

Before you begin

- Ensure that Nexus Dashboard Insights is connected to Cisco Intersight Cloud.
- Ensure that Nexus Dashboard Insights is connected to Cisco Intersight Device Connector.

Procedure

Choose Analyze > Analyze Hub > Log Collector > Create Log Collector Job.

- 1. Enter the name.
- 2. Click **Select Site** to select a site.
- 3. (Optional) Check **Auto Upload Log Files** to automatically upload the log files to Cisco Intersight Cloud after the log collection job is completed.

- 4. Click Next.
- 5. Click **Add Nodes** and then select the nodes from the **Select Nodes** menu.
- 6. Click **Add**. The nodes are displayed in the **Select Nodes** table.
- 7. Click **Start Collection** to initiate the log collection process.

When the job is complete, the new job appears in the **Log Collector** table.

- 8. Click the job in the table to display additional job details.
- 9. Click the [□] icon to display **Log Collection** status.
- 10. Select the node and click icon.
- 11. Click **Upload File to TAC Assist** to upload a single file for the selected node manually.
- 12. Click **Upload** to upload all the log files generated for the selected node manually.

The status of the upload is displayed in the **Selected Nodes** table.

Guidelines and Limitations

- If the upload logs fails for some of the nodes and succeeds for the rest of the nodes, then in the **Selected Nodes** table, the status is displayed as Completed.
- If the collection fails for some of the nodes, then the collection will continue for other nodes. After the collection is completed, the upload will start. In the **Selected Nodes** table, the combined status is displayed in the Status column.
- If the collection succeeds for some of the nodes, but the upload fails, then in the **Selected Nodes** table, the status is displayed as Failed.
- Auto Upload Log Files can be performed only on one node at a time.

Log Collector Dashboard

Navigate to **Analyze** > **Analysis Hub** > **Log Collector**.

The **Log Collector** Dashboard displays a graph of Logs by Job status for a particular site and displays the latest log collections.

The filter bar allows you to filters the logs by status, name, type, node, start time, and end time.

Use the following operators for the filter refinement:

Operator	Description
==	With the initial filter type, this operator, and a
	subsequent value, returns an exact match.

Operator	Description
!=	With the initial filter type, this operator, and a subsequent value, returns all that do not have the same value.
contains	With the initial filter type, this operator, and a subsequent value, returns all that contain the value.
!contains	With the initial filter type, this operator, and a subsequent value, returns all that do not contain the value.

The page also displays the log collection jobs in a tabular format. The jobs are sorted by status. Select the log collection job in the table to view additional details.

General

This displays the status of the job along with a graph showing the number of devices by status.

Details

The following information is listed:

- Creation Time
- End Time
- Nodes
- Job ID

Selected Nodes

This displays the list of nodes in a tabular form along with the status of each job and the upload status for the files uploaded.



Upload All Files allows you to upload all the files.

... allows you to Download each file separately.

TAC Initiated Log Collector

The TAC initiated log collector enables Cisco TAC to trigger on-demand collection of logs for specified user devices in the Cisco Intersight Cloud to the Device Connector.

When the TAC assist job is complete, the new job appears in the **Log Collector** table. Select the log collection job in the table to display additional details. The **Log Collection** status displays information such as status, general information, and node details.

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