



# BGP Support for Next-Hop Address Tracking

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The BGP Support for Next-Hop Address Tracking feature is enabled by default when a supporting Cisco IOS software image is installed. BGP next-hop address tracking is event driven. BGP prefixes are automatically tracked as peering sessions are established. Next-hop changes are rapidly reported to the BGP routing process as they are updated in the Routing Information Base (RIB). This optimization improves overall BGP convergence by reducing the response time to next-hop changes for routes installed in the RIB. When a best path calculation is run in between BGP scanner cycles, only next-hop changes are tracked and processed.

## Configuration Information

Configuration information is included in the “Configuring Advanced BGP Features” chapter of the *Cisco IOS BGP Configuration Guide*, Release 12.4T, at the following URL:

[http://www.cisco.com/univercd/cc/td/doc/product/software/ios124/124tcg/tbgp\\_c/brbadv.htm](http://www.cisco.com/univercd/cc/td/doc/product/software/ios124/124tcg/tbgp_c/brbadv.htm)

## Command Reference Information

Command reference information is included in the *Cisco IOS IP Routing Protocols Command Reference*, Release 12.2SR, at the following URL:

[http://www.cisco.com/univercd/cc/td/doc/product/software/ios122sr/cr/sripr\\_r/index.htm](http://www.cisco.com/univercd/cc/td/doc/product/software/ios122sr/cr/sripr_r/index.htm)

## New or Modified Commands

The following command is modified for this feature:

- **bgp nexthop**

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