

# Cisco Crosswork Data Gateway 4.5 Release Notes for Cloud Applications

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This document provides information about Cisco Crosswork Data Gateway 4.5 for Cloud applications, including features, compatibility information, known issues, and limitations.

#### **Product Overview**

Cisco Crosswork Data Gateway is a model-driven scalable data collection platform that enables real-time data collection from multi-protocol capable devices, thereby reducing the need for multiple collection points for multiple applications requiring data from the network.

Cisco Crosswork Data Gateway offers central visibility into services collecting data and the type of data being collected.

Cisco Crosswork Data Gateway is not a standalone product and is expected to be used with Crosswork Cloud applications. There is no separate software license needed for Cisco Crosswork Data Gateway.

### **Release Details**

Cisco releases updated builds of Crosswork Data Gateway on the Cisco Support & Software Download site.

Cisco Crosswork Data Gateway can be installed into a data center using any of the platforms listed in the following table. The file used for deployment is unique to each of these environments.

Table 1: Crosswork Data Gateway 4.5 Release Details

Platform	Use	
VMware	*.ova file.	
	When using the latest Mozilla Firefox version to download the .ova image, if the downloaded file has the extension as .dms, change the extension back to .ova before installation.	
OpenStack Platform	*.qcow2 BIOS file.	
Amazon EC2	.ami file.	



Note

Direct upgrade from a previous Crosswork Data Gateway version is not supported. You must create a new VM with the same parameters that replaces the existing Crosswork Data Gateway.

#### What's New

This section lists the features and enhancements delivered in Crosswork Data Gateway 4.5 for Cloud Applications.

Table 2: New Features in Crosswork Data Gateway 4.5 for Cloud Applications

Feature	Description
Introduced data collection from an Amazon datacenter	Cisco Crosswork Data Gateway enables the periodic data collection from the Amazon Elastic Compute Cloud web service and forwards the data to the Cisco Crosswork Cloud applications. These applications use the data for analysis and if required, alert an administrator for further action.
Additional vNIC to channel custom traffic	Provision to configure a dedicated vNIC (vNIC03) to route custom traffic such as SSH.
Enhancement to the Crosswork Data Gateway Interactive Console	<ul> <li>The Interactive Console is improved with the following changes:</li> <li>You can create an enrollment package file on your local machine by copying and pasting the package contents from the interactive console.</li> <li>Using the controller session test option utility is available to test if an installed Crosswork Data Gateway is able to establish a connection with Crosswork Cloud. The utility also validates and analyzes the discrepancies between the resources (CPU and memory) assigned to the VM and the resources prescribed by the deployment profile.</li> </ul>
Improvements to the Crosswork Data Gateway image	The AMI image format is enhanced to include DHCP support. After the image is booted, it enables registration with Crosswork Cloud.
Enhancements to the internal REST API	The remote debugging capabilities are improved using the internal REST API responsible for packet capture and tcpdump.

The following bug is resolved in this release:

# **Compatibility Information**

Cisco Crosswork Data Gateway 4.5 for Cloud applications has been validated for use with the following Crosswork Cloud applications:

• Cisco Crosswork Trust Insights is a cloud-based SaaS solution that reports on the integrity of devices and provides forensics for assured inventory.

• Cisco Crosswork Cloud Traffic Analysis service is a hosted application that provides rich analysis, visualization, and optimization recommendations for network traffic flows.

Cisco Crosswork Data Gateway must be deployed using the **Crosswork Cloud** profile for use with Crosswork Cloud applications. For information on deployment, see Cisco Crosswork Data Gateway 4.5 Installation and Configuration Guide for Cloud Applications.

Table 3: Cisco Crosswork Data Gateway VM Requirements for Cloud applications, on page 3 shows software requirements for the supported virtualization platforms along with the physical and network resource requirements needed to support the Crosswork Data Gateway.

The resource requirements to install Crosswork Data Gateway are the same for all the data centers.

Table 3: Cisco Crosswork Data Gateway VM Requirements for Cloud applications

Requirement	Description			
Data Center	VMware			
	• VMware vCenter server 6.7, ESXi 6.5			
	• VMware vCenter Server 7.0, ESXi 6.5 and 6.7.			
	Attention In VMware vCenter 6.5 (Flash and HTML5 interfaces) and 6.7 releases (6.7U1), the GUI installer does not process the OVF parameter list correctly. To prevent this issue, ensure that the following parameters in the vCenter vSphere Client > Deploy OVF Template > Customize template > 03. vNIC Role Assignment are specified as:			
	• The interface for <b>03. vNIC Role Assignment &gt; e. Control</b> must be eth0			
	• The interface for 03. vNIC Role Assignment > g. Northbound External Data must be eth0			
	• The interface for 03. vNIC Role Assignment h. Southbound Data must be eth0			
	• The 16. Controller Setting > a. Crosswork Controller IP should be crosswork.cisco.com			
	• The <b>16 Controller Setting &gt; b. Crosswork Controller Port</b> should be 443			
	OpenStack			
	OpenStack OSP16			
	Amazon			
	Amazon Elastic Cloud Compute			
Memory	32 GB			

Requirement	Description				
Total Disk space (Boot disk + Data disk)	74 GB (50 GB + 24 GB)				
vCPU	8				
Interfaces	Minimum: 1  Maximum: 4  Crosswork Data Gateway can be deployed with either 1, 2, 3, or 4 interfaces as per the combinations below:				
	No. of NICs	vNIC0	vNIC1	vNIC2	vNIC3
	1	Management Traffic     Control/Data Traffic     Device Access Traffic		_	_
	2	Management Traffic	Control/Data     Traffic      Device     Access     Traffic	_	_
	3	Management Traffic	Control/Data     Traffic	• Device Access Traffic	_
	4	_	_	_	Custom traffic
	<ul> <li>Management traffic: for accessing the Interactive Console and troubleshooting the Crosswork Data Gateway VM.</li> <li>Control/Data traffic: to receive configuration of collection jobs from the Crosswork Cloud and to forward collected data to the Crosswork Cloud.</li> <li>Important Crosswork Data Gateway can connect to the Cloud only when the Control/Data interface has access to the Internet.</li> <li>Device access traffic: for device management and telemetry data.</li> <li>Custom traffic: for routing the custom traffic such as SSH traffic.</li> </ul>				

Requirement	Description		
IP Addresses	One, two, or three IPv4 or IPv6 addresses based on the number of interfaces you choose to use.		
	Note Crosswork does not support dual stack configurations. Therefore, ALL addresses for the environment must be either IPv4 or IPv6.		
NTP Servers	The IPv4 or IPv6 addresses or host names of the NTP servers you plan to use. If you wa to enter multiple NTP servers, separate them with spaces. These should be the same NT servers you use to synchronize devices, clients, and servers across your network.		
	<b>Note</b> Confirm that the NTP IP address or host name is reachable on the network or installation fails.		
	The Crosswork Data Gateway host and virtual machine must be synchronized to an NTP server or the enrollment with Crosswork Cloud may not go through.		
DNS Servers	The IPv4 or IPv6 addresses of the DNS servers you plan to use. If you want to enter multiple DNS servers, separate them with spaces. These should be the same DNS servers you use to resolve host names across your network.		
DNS Search Domain	The search domain you want to use with the DNS servers (for example, cisco.com). You can only have one search domain.		
(optional) Proxy	URL of an optional management network proxy server.		
Server	If your environment requires an HTTP or HTTPS proxy in order to access URLs on the public Internet, you must configure a proxy server for the Cisco Crosswork Data Gateway to successfully connect to the Crosswork Cloud service.		
(optional) Syslog Server	Hostname, IPv4, or IPv6 address of an optional syslog server.		
(optional) Auditd Server	Hostname, IPv4, or IPv6 address of an optional Auditd server.		



#### **Important**

With these requirements, additional settings that must be configured to install Crosswork Data Gateway on Amazon EC2. For information on the EC2 requirements, see the Section: *Amazon EC2 Settings* in Cisco Crosswork Data Gateway 4.5 Installation and Configuration Guide for Cloud Applications.

# **Product Documentation**

The following table lists the guides provided for Cisco Crosswork Data Gateway for Cloud applications.

Table 4: Crosswork Data Gateway for Cloud applications Documentation

Document Title	What is included
Cisco Crosswork Data Gateway 4.5 Release Notes for Cloud Applications	This document.  Provides an overview of the product, compatibility information, and important information that should be considered before using the product.
Cisco Crosswork Data Gateway 4.5 Installation and Configuration Guide for Cloud Applications	<ul> <li>System requirements</li> <li>Installation prerequisites</li> <li>Installation instructions</li> <li>Upgrade instructions</li> <li>Uninstalling Crosswork Data Gateway</li> <li>Configure Crosswork Data Gateway</li> </ul>
API Documentation	Advanced users can extend the Cisco Crosswork functionality using the APIs. API documentation is available on Cisco Devnet.

#### **Related Product Documentation**

This section provides links to additional related documentation for Cisco Crosswork Data Gateway.

Cisco Crosswork Trust Insights

You can access documentation for all Cisco Crosswork products at https://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/support/cloud-systems-management/crosswork-network-automation/tsd-products-support-series-home.html.

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