

Netwrix Auditor for SharePoint



SharePoint Auditing Challenge

Now more than ever, organizations are using Microsoft SharePoint to store data, share content and power websites. Its adoption has forced SharePoint administrators to audit changes that affect regulatory compliance, content security and service availability.



Provides Context & Details

It can be difficult to interpret and obtain insight from SharePoint's audit reports. Netwrix Auditor overcomes this challenge by providing the contextual details needed to solve critical SharePoint problems. Administrators are able to answer questions like who changed what, when and where and also see the before & after values of changes.



Captures Farm-level Changes

Native auditing does not capture changes to Central Administration, meaning users with access are able to circumvent content security, deploy unapproved customizations, and take servers & databases offline without the event being detected. Because Netwrix Auditor captures every SharePoint change (including those made in Central Administration), administrators are able to quickly identify farm-level changes that impact compliance, security and availability.



Creates a Single Audit Trail

Administrators must vigilantly monitor audit logs from each site collection to ensure that protected information is secure. Monitoring each site collection individually is tedious, inefficient and prone to human error. Netwrix Auditor simplifies this process by consolidating audit logs into a single audit trail; it allows administrators to more effectively track issues like broken inheritance and permission changes across sites.



Stores Audit Data Efficiently

Native auditing data can only be stored in SharePoint content databases, impacting the availability of user-generated content and the integrity of audit data. When organizations purge audit data too early, they are unable to comply with certain compliance requirements. Netwrix Auditor avoids this situation by storing audit data in a separate database, enabling safer and more efficient storage.



Simplifies SharePoint Auditing

Administrators need an easy way to audit the entire SharePoint environment. Netwrix Auditor meets this need by detecting critical security changes (permissions, groups, etc.) and reporting on the creation, deletion & modification of user content.



Netwrix allowed us to monitor all critical aspects of our Microsoft environment, thus meeting the auditors' strict requirements

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Overcomes Native Auditing Challenges:

- Captures every SharePoint change, even those made in Central Administration.
- Consolidates change events from each site collection into a single audit trail, allowing administrators to easily monitor changes across the entire SharePoint environment.
- Stores audit data in its own database, allowing SharePoint's content databases to run securely and at peak performance.
- Provides visibility of farm configuration changes like modifications to the Farm Administrators Group
- Detects security changes to permissions, permission inheritance, group membership, permission levels and security policies.
- Reports on the creation, deletion and modification of all content, including sites, lists, libraries, folders, documents and list items.
- Provides licensing to audit SharePoint dependencies like Active Directory, SQL Server, IIS and others.

All SharePoint Configuration Changes

Shows all changes to the audited SharePoint farm configuration made through the Central Administration website.

Filter	Value		
Action	Object Type	What Changed	When Changed
Modified	Farm Solution	netwrix.sharepoint.audit.wsp	6/11/2014 10:39:33 AM
Where Changed: http://pd:c:30000			
Last Operation Time changed from "04/18/2014 06:12:54" to "05/08/2014 10:24:51"			
Added	Site Collection	http://pd:c:79/sites/HR	6/16/2014 11:31:09 AM
Where Changed: http://pd:c:79			

Figure 1. Netwrix Auditor detects all SharePoint changes, even those made to Central Administration.





Audits More Than SharePoint

The Netwrix Auditor unified platform enables organizations to audit all IT changes and configurations from a single console. It provides the ability to answer who changed what, when and where for any system in the IT infrastructure – even when logs are not produced.



Delivers Complete Visibility

IT departments are able to easily spot trends and anomalies across the IT infrastructure using Netwrix Auditor's Enterprise Overview dashboards. These dashboards aggregate change events from audited systems into a single view and graphically display the information as high-level statistics. Statistics can then be drilled down for more granular detail.



Offers Flexible Reporting

Organizations can leverage dashboards and reports to transform audit data into meaningful and actionable intelligence. Administrators, managers and auditors alike can receive the exact level of information they need, whenever they need it, regardless of the system.

From Active Directory to SharePoint and everything in between, administrators can audit changes to security configurations, systems and data. With Netwrix Auditor organizations will streamline compliance, strengthen security and simplify root cause analysis everywhere in the IT environment.

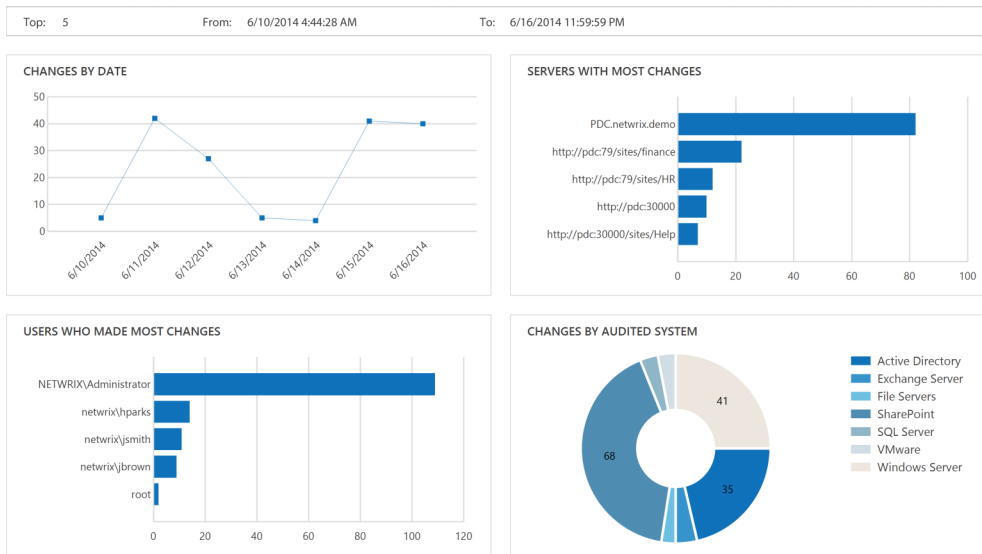


Figure 2. Dashboards provide complete visibility of changes across the IT infrastructure.

“When we implemented Netwrix Auditor we got a very easy to use solution to tell us the who, what, when, where details for all changes, easily saving us hours of investigative work tracking down who made a specific change.”

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Efficient, Accurate & Safe

Through a combination of agentless and lightweight, non-intrusive agents, the unified platform makes it possible to capture every change across the IT infrastructure. Audit data from multiple independent sources is consolidated and then held in a two-tiered (file-based + SQL database) storage. This method provides a safe, accurate and efficient way to audit IT.

Platform Benefits

- Delivers **complete visibility** into what is happening across the entire IT infrastructure.
- Ensures **continuous compliance** for PCI, HIPAA, SOX, FISMA and others by quickly accessing required reports from central storage holding data for 10 years or more.
- Assists with investigation and detection of **security incidents** via analysis of unauthorized or malicious changes to system configurations.
- Helps detect and prevent **breaches of sensitive data** by auditing changes to user content and permissions.
- Simplifies **root cause analysis:** instant troubleshooting and repair of broken system configurations

Platform Features

- **Change auditing:** detection, reporting and alerting on all configuration changes across your entire IT infrastructure with Who, What, When, Where details and Before/After values.
- **Unified platform** to audit the entire IT infrastructure, unlike other vendors with a set of hard-to-integrate standalone tools.
- More than **200 predefined reports and dashboards** with filtering, grouping, sorting, export (PDF, XLS etc.), email subscriptions, drill-down, access via web, granular permissions and ability to create custom reports.
- **AuditArchive™:** scalable two-tiered storage (file-based + SQL database) holding consolidated audit data for 10 years or more.



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“Configuration auditing tools can help you analyze your configurations according to best practices, enforce configuration standards and adhere to regulatory requirements”

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