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HP Virtualization Performance Viewer (HP vPV) is a web-based analysis and visualization tool that analyzes performance trends of elements in virtualized environments. It enables virtualization monitoring by providing an overview of the environment, near-real-time and historical data analysis and triaging using an interactive dashboard. It also enables monitoring for cloud and hypervisor environments. HP vPV helps you visualize performance data for elements in the context of each other to rapidly analyze bottlenecks. HP vPV provides performance monitoring, graphing, and reporting in a single interface.

Some of the key features of HP vPV are as follows:

- Triage analysis with the Workbench and capability to trend server utilization across days, weeks, and a month.
- Analyze the capacity, usage, and allocation trends for various resources in a virtualized environment.
- Right sizing recommendation based on historical resource utilization and reclaiming unused resources.
- Analyze the impact of increasing the workload.

Note: HP vPV supports the VMware vCenter Server versions 5.0, 5.1, and 5.5.

This document is an overview of the features provided by HP vPV. It contains important information not included in the manuals or Online Help. You can find information about the following in this document:

- ["What's New in This Release?"](#)
- ["Support Matrix"](#)
- ["Installation Notes"](#)
- ["Known Problems and Workarounds "](#)
- ["Limitations"](#)
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What's New in This Release?

- **Dashboard View**

The Dashboard view provides at-a-glance overview about the health of the environment. In addition, the view provides easy navigation and drill-down option. For more information on Dashboard, see *Working with Dashboard* section in *HP Online Help*.

- **Modeler**

The Modeler feature helps to determine the impact of adding or deleting the resources in your environment. You can estimate the future capacity utilization to proactively plan your hardware requirements. For more information on Modeler, see *Modeler* section in *HP Online Help*.

- **Managing Alerts**

Using the Alerting feature, you can monitor alerts corresponding to the entities in your environment. You can identify and troubleshoot the action for the alert generated in your virtualized environment. For more information on Alerts, see *Managing Alerts* section in *HP Online Help*.

- **Placement and Optimization support for Hyper-V domain**

You can add, view, and monitor the resources in the Hyper-V domain. HP vPV provides you solution for triaging and identifying performance problems in the Hyper-V domain. For more information on Hyper-V datasource, see *Adding Hyper-V Data Source* section in *HP Online Help*.

- **Integration with other HP Products**

You can integrate with other HP products such as HP Operations Manager (HPOM). With the help of integration, you can view the alert messages on HPOM console. For more information on Integrations, see *Integrating HP vPV with Other HP Products* in *HP Online Help*.

- **Supports upgrade for HP vPV version 2.00 to 2.01**

You can upgrade HP vPV from version 2.00 to 2.01. For more information on Upgrade Scenarios, see *Upgrade Scenarios* chapter in *HP Virtualization Performance Viewer Installation Guide*.

- **Defect fixes:** This release of HP vPV contains defect fixes. For more information, see HP vPV version 2.01 patch text.

Support Matrix

You can find the Support Matrix for this product that lists all the software and hardware requirements. The support matrix may be updated between releases, and so is only available at the HP Support web site: [HP Support matrices](#).

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The support matrix includes the following information:

- **Requirements**
 - Hardware
 - Operating System
 - Databases
 - Application Servers
 - Web Browsers and Plug-ins
- **Compatibility**
 - Languages
 - Internationalization Variances
 - Virtualization Products
 - High-Availability Products
 - HP Software Integrations
 - HP Software Coexistence
 - Performance and Sizing

Installation Notes

Installation requirements, as well as instructions for installing HP vPV are documented in the *HP Virtualization Performance Viewer Installation Guide* provided in PDF (.pdf) format. You can find the Installation Guide on the product installation media at the location -

`\paperdocs\vPVInstallGuide.pdf`. You can install the product using the HP vPV Virtual Appliance, or Linux-based installer.

Virtual Appliance

The OVA file for the virtual appliance version of HP vPV is signed using GNU Privacy Guard (GPG). You can use the GPG signature to verify that the binaries you have downloaded are from HP and are not tampered. To verify the signature, follow the steps mentioned in the section Verification using GPG, available at the URL:

<https://h20392.www2.hp.com/portal/swdepot/displayProductInfo.do?productNumber=HPLinuxCodeSigning>.

To log in to the virtual appliance, the user name is **root** and password is **vperf*viewer**.

Note:

- Unlike on the US English keyboard layout, the location of the asterisk (*) key may be different on localized keyboards. Check this when typing the password.
- If there is a firewall on the system where HP vPV is installed, ensure that port 8081 is open to ensure that HP vPV is accessible from the browser. For accessing in the HTTPS mode, port 8444 must be open. For more information on port settings, see the *HP Virtualization Performance Viewer Online Help*.

For more information on Installing HP vPV, see the *HP Virtualization Performance Viewer Installation Guide*.

After installing HP vPV, launch the user interface using the URL: <http://<servername>:8081/PV>
OR <https://<servername>:8444/PV>.

Known Problems and Workarounds

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Problem	When querying the performance metrics for datastore, if the value returned is larger than 32-bit, the VMware vCenter services fail.
Workaround	If you have vCenter version 5.0, you can apply the Update 1 for 5.0, which contains the fix for the issue. For more information, see the VMware vCenter Server Release Notes available at https://www.vmware.com/support/vsphere5/doc/vsp_vc50_u1_rel_notes.html#clientissues .
Problem	When a VM is on the Network File System (NFS) datastore and belongs to the Distributed Virtual Switch (DVS) port group, no data is collected. Hence, on the HP vPV console, there is no data available on the Treemap.
Workaround	None

Problem	<p>Installation of HP Operations Manager (HPOM) integration package fails on HPOM for Unix with the following error:</p> <pre>"/etc/opt/OV/share/conf/OpC/mgmt_sv/integration/cfgupld/post/cvp_upload.sh: [: not found"</pre>
Workaround	<p>Follow the steps:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Log on to the node as root.2. Go to the following locations: /etc/opt/OV/share/conf/OpC/mgmt_sv/integration/cfgupld/post/ or /etc/opt/OV/share/conf/OpC/mgmt_sv/integration/cfgdwn/post/3. Open the cvp_upload.sh or cvp_download.sh file. Replace #!/bin/sh with #!/usr/xpg4/bin/sh.4. Save and close the file.

<p>Problem</p>	<p>The following metrics are not collected for Host, VM, or Datastore for Windows 2008 R2 SP1:</p> <p>Host Class</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CPUReadyTime • CPUPhysReadyUtil <p>Guest Class</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SystemOSName • MemoryDemand • CPUReadyTime • CPUUserModeUtil • CPUSysModeUtil • IPAddress <p>DataStore Class</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DiskSnapShotUsed • DiskVMDKUsed • DiskProvisioned • DiskOthersUsed <p>These metrics which are not collected cannot be used in Workbench. Also, Hyper-V (Placement and Optimization) and Forecast do not show data for these metrics.</p>
<p>Workaround</p>	<p>None</p>

<p>Problem</p>	<p>Alert messages are not localized when the HP vPV server locale is changed to another locale.</p>
<p>Workaround</p>	<p>To display alert messages in the specified locale, follow the steps:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Log on to HP vPV server as root. 2. Run the following commands: <pre style="margin-left: 40px;"> ovc -kill ovc -start </pre>

Problem	When a vCenter is down and started after 15 to 20 minutes, HP vPV does not collect performance data for that vCenter.
Workaround	<p>If a vCenter is down and started after 15 to 20 minutes, performance data is not collected. HP vPV reports only configuration data for the vCenter. When the vCenter is up and running, HP vPV will automatically re-establish the connection and collect the performance data. The collection may take some time, depending upon the configuration of the environment and its responsiveness.</p> <p>If you want to immediately restart the performance data collection, run the following command:</p> <pre>ovc -restart pvcd</pre>
Problem	If the hosts takes more time for collection than the default interval, treemap does not show correct information.
Workaround	<p>You can increase the collection interval if the hosts does not complete the collection in the default interval. To increase the collection interval, follow these steps:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Open the <code>vPVWinVirtCollector.properties</code> file. 2. Update <code>CollectionIntervalInSeconds=600</code>. By default, the value is set to 300 seconds. 3. Restart the HP vPV Collector Service.
Problem	If VMware tools are not installed, HP vPV does not collect the MAC address. Hence, HP vPV is not able to register the details of HP ComputeSensor running on a VM.
Workaround	Enable VMware tools for the VM in VMware vSphere Client. For more information, see the VMware documentation.
Problem	Data collection fails when both HP vPV versions 1.20 and 2.00 are integrated with HP Service Health Reporter (SHR) version 9.20 on Windows operating system.
Workaround	None
Problem	When reports are viewed in the PDF format in localized languages, incorrect text appears.
Workaround	View the reports in the HTML format. You can launch the HTML reports in a separate window and save the reports.
Problem	Removal of Hyper-V Host from Administration page does not stop data collection on the Hyper -V Host.

Workaround	Data collector on Hyper-V host must be stopped before removing the Hyper-V host from the Administration page.
Problem	While collecting data for clusters, data stores, and resources pools from vCenter 5.1 , the performance data collection fails with read time-out errors. Similar symptom is seen with VI client while plotting data for these entities.
Workaround	VMware recommends to upgrade to vSphere 5.5 where this issue is resolved. For more information about the issue and workaround, see the VMware KB article: http://kb.vmware.com/kb/1013829 .
Problem	HP vPV does not support some of the features when accessing with IPv6 address.
Workaround	Use the host name to access HP vPV instead of IP address.
Problem	After uninstalling HP vPV, Service Health Reporter (SHR) does not work.
Workaround	Restart ovtomcatB using command <code>/opt/OV/bin/ovc -restart ovtomcatB</code> .
Problem	The collection daemon does not start after reboot. The <code>ovc -status</code> shows <i>pvcd</i> in aborted state, after rebooting. OR Vertica Database does not start after rebooting.
Workaround	If the HP vPV Virtual Appliance is shutdown abruptly, sometimes the database does not start. Due to this, <i>pvcd</i> exits on rebooting. Restart the <i>pv</i> process (<i>pvcd</i> , Tomcat, and Vertica) after rebooting the machine. Run the command, <code>pv restart</code> from the HP vPV console.
Problem	When a CSA administrator reassigns a VM subscription from one user to another user, the earlier CSA user continues to see the VM name in his inventory when he logs on to vPV. For example, the CSA administrator has reassigned the VM subscription from User1 to User2. User1 continues to see the VM name in his inventory when he logs on to vPV. However, User2 is also able to view his VM subscription correctly.
Workaround	The CSA administrator is recommended to clear the cache using the Clear Cache button available in the CSA Integration section in the Admin > Integrations tab.

Limitations

- You can upgrade HP vPV *only* from version 2.00 to 2.01. Make sure that you take a snapshot of HP vPV 2.00 machine before upgrading to 2.01 as rollback is not supported.
- You cannot upgrade HP vPV from versions 1.00, 1.10, and 1.20 to version 2.01.
- HP vPV version 2.01 has limited support for Internet Explorer version 9.0. You can only access few features such as Treemap, Workbench, and Admin.
- HP vPV does not collect data for datastores of OpenStack datasource. Some of the disk usage metrics data for different OpenStack entities are logged and available for graphing in HP vPV workbench.
- HP vPV supports only graphs for VMware vApp on Workbench.
- When a target is removed from HP vPV, it continues to show data for that target for three successive collection intervals. After that, no data is shown for that target and the instance count is also updated.
- HP vPV Collector Service collects only Hyper-V hosts monitored by SCVMM excluding the ESX servers from collection.
- When a datastore is mounted across multiple clusters, in HP vPV, the datastore is associated only with the first cluster. So, in Treemap and Workbench, you can view the details of the datastore only under the first cluster.
- The Configuration Items (CIs) list in the workbench takes a some time to load if there are more than 2000 instances in HP vPV.
- Micro charts for data stores are not available for the first time when you configure the VMware vCenter Server in HP vPV. It appears after a couple of data collection cycles (after approximately 10 minutes) are complete.
- Localized date and number format is not supported in German Locale.

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- English
- Simplified Chinese
- Japanese
- French
- Spanish
- Russian
- Korean
- German

HP supplies localized documentation for HP vPV in English

Open Source and Third-Party Components

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