Citrix Analytics — The actionable insights you need to detect and prevent security threats

Overview

Overwhelmingly, recent studies indicate that malicious users — often external actors posing as insiders — are attacking company resources from within. Finding these malicious users once they are behind the firewall on a corporate network is difficult. Security teams need to monitor and identify user “events” that are potentially suspicious or inconsistent with the requirements or procedures within the company. In addition, security professionals need tools to take swift action to prevent data theft or loss of intellectual property.

Solution

Citrix Analytics is an intuitive analytics service that allows you to monitor and identify inconsistent or suspicious activity on your networks. Using machine learning and advanced algorithms, it provides actionable insights into user behavior based on indicators across users, endpoints, network traffic, and files.

See how Citrix Analytics solves for two high-risk security business challenges:

1. An organization needs to prevent the loss of intellectual property

Malicious users inside the organization are hard to detect. They may be bad actors already within your organization or outsiders using compromised credentials to log on to your organization's network.

To track and prevent risky user behavior, Citrix Analytics creates unique risk profiles for all users’ identities in an organization. Users’ risk profiles are scored from zero to 100, with scores of 90 to 100 representing the riskiest users.

Risk indicators gathered from across the Citrix portfolio contribute to the risk score. Machine Learning adjusts the score up or down based on user behavior and a variety of factors.
For example, if a user attempts to access a risky website or blacklisted URL, their risk profile will change based on new risk indicators from Citrix Access Control.

In another example, if a user’s content collaboration account is compromised by a malicious actor, malware can be uploaded to a shared folder or sent with shared links not just internally, but also to third-parties like clients and contractors.

Both of these scenarios can result in data exfiltration. Citrix Analytics monitors and analyses data collected from all of our solutions — including Citrix Content Collaboration, which provides advanced access to files, collaboration, workflows, rights management to users. These seamless integrations prevent or reduce data exfiltration so sensitive data or a company IP doesn’t end up in the wrong hands. Citrix Analytics disables a compromised user or insider threat. The service can also set expiration or immediately make links to any confidential data invalid to ensure more data isn’t leaked. Preventing data exfiltration can also reduce compliance risk, help avoid penalties and avoid reputational damage.

2. Your organization does not have security controls in place to protect against ransomware

Ransomware is a type of malicious software that threatens to publish a user’s data or perpetually block access to it unless a ransom is paid. The attackers often target devices or accounts, replacing existing files with encrypted versions.

So how can Citrix Analytics and Citrix Content Collaboration integration help you from falling victim to costly ransomware attacks? Citrix Content Collaboration helps users share documents with others, making them available on multiple devices. And that can help real-time collaboration to improve user productivity. It can also expose information unless proper security and monitoring controls are in place.

Citrix Analytics quickly filters out behavior that is likely not an attack, leaving only those collections of events that resemble ransomware. In many cases, recoverable versions of compromised files are available as part of Citrix Content Collaboration.

Citrix Analytics aggregates event data and correlates it with users across the Citrix portfolio, applies machine learning, and generates Risk Profiles for all users. High risk users are identified and prescriptive actions can be taken as necessary.
The benefits of using Citrix Analytics

Detect and analyze threats based on user behavior

Citrix Analytics uses machine learning and artificial intelligence to understand user behavior over a period of time. This helps automated enforcement of security policies as soon as any user anomalies are detected. Citrix Analytics helps:

- Stop malicious activity and prevent data loss with prescriptive actions to halt attacks before they occur
- Detect and prevent ransomware by recognizing the attack is underway and taking prescriptive actions
- Monitor and analyze user access and authentication behaviors

Events from across the Citrix environment can be included in the analysis.

Cloud service (delivered as SaaS)

Citrix Analytics is a SaaS offering from Citrix Cloud that has the following:

- Always up to date software, maintained and managed by Citrix
- No day-to-day management required, like any other SaaS
- Intuitive Security Dashboard provides a summary and categorization of the user risk profiles of all users in your network

For more information, please visit our page: Citrix Analytics