



## **Protect workloads**

### **NetApp Ransomware Resilience**

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# Protect workloads

## Protect workloads with NetApp Ransomware Resilience protection strategies

You can protect workloads against ransomware attacks by enabling workload-consistent protection or creating ransomware protection strategies in NetApp Ransomware Resilience.

### Required Console role

To perform this task, you need the Organization admin, Folder or project admin, or Ransomware Resilience admin role. [Learn about Ransomware Resilience roles for NetApp Console.](#)

### Understand ransomware protection strategies

Ransomware protection strategies encompass *detection*, *protection*, and *replication* policies.

- **Detection policies** identify ransomware threats
- **Protection policies** include snapshot and backup policies. Detection and snapshot policies are required in a protection strategy. Backup policies are optional.

If you're using other NetApp products to protect your workload, Ransomware Resilience discovers those and provides the option to either:

- use a ransomware detection policy and continue to use the snapshot and backup policies created by other NetApp tools, or
  - use Ransomware Resilience to manage detection, snapshots, and backups.
- **Replication policies** enable you to replicate snapshots from Ransomware Resilience to a secondary site. Replication schedules can be set to hourly, daily, weekly, or monthly frequencies.

Currently, you can only replicate snapshots to on-premises ONTAP storage.



For enhanced management and protection of your data estate, you can create [group file shares](#) to collectively protect volumes under one strategy.

### Protection policies with other NetApp-managed services

Beyond Ransomware Resilience, the following services can be used to manage protection:

- NetApp Backup and Recovery for file shares, VM file shares
- SnapCenter for VMware for VM datastores
- SnapCenter for Oracle

Protection information from these services appears in Ransomware Resilience. You can add detection policies to these services with Ransomware Resilience. Adding a protection policy with Ransomware Resilience replaces the existing protection policies.

If a ransomware detection policy is being managed by Autonomous Ransomware Protection (ARP or ARP/AI, depending on the ONTAP version) and FPolicy in ONTAP, those workloads are protected and will continue to

be managed by ARP and FPolicy.



Backup destinations are not available for workloads in Amazon FSx for NetApp ONTAP. Perform backup operations using the FSx for ONTAP backup service. You set backup policies for workloads in FSx for ONTAP in AWS, not in Ransomware Resilience. The backup policies appear in Ransomware Resilience and remain unchanged from AWS.

Protection policies for workloads not protected by NetApp applications

If your workload isn't managed by Backup and Recovery, Ransomware Resilience, SnapCenter, or SnapCenter Plug-in for VMware vSphere, it may have snapshots taken as part of ONTAP or other products. If ONTAP FPolicy protection is in place, you can change the FPolicy protection using ONTAP.

View ransomware protection on a workload

One of the first steps in protecting workloads is viewing your current workloads and their protection status. You can see the following types of workloads:

- Application workloads
- Block workloads
- File share workloads
- VM workloads

Steps

1. From the Console's left navigation, select **Protection > Ransomware Resilience**.
2. Do one of the following:
  - From the Data Protection pane on the Dashboard, select **View all**.
  - From the menu, select **Protection**.

Protection status

9  
At risk ⓘ

9 in last 7 days  
35 TiB data at risk

9  
Protected ⓘ

1 in last 7 days  
10 TiB data at risk

Workloads

Protection groups

Workloads (19)

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Manage protection strategies

Workload	↑	Protection status	Snapshot and back...	Type	Protec...	Encryption detecti...	Suspected u	Actions
FSxN_fileshare_useast_01		At risk ⓘ	None	File share	N/A	N/A	N/A	<button>Protect</button>
LUN_storage_01		Protected ⓘ	NetApp Ransomware...	Block	N/A	Enabled ⓘ	N/A	<button>Edit protection</button>
MySQL_4781		Protected ⓘ	NetApp Ransomware...	MySQL	pg_important	Enabled ⓘ	N/A	<button>Edit protection</button>
MySQL_8009		At risk ⓘ	NetApp Backup and...	MySQL	N/A	N/A	N/A	<button>Protect</button>
MySQL_9294		Protected ⓘ	NetApp Backup and...	MySQL	N/A	Enabled ⓘ	N/A	<button>Edit protection</button>
Oracle_2115		At risk ⓘ	SnapCenter	Oracle	N/A	N/A	N/A	<button>Protect</button>

3. From this page, you can view and change protection details for the workload.



See [Add a ransomware protection strategy](#) to learn about using Ransomware Resilience when there's an existing protection policy with SnapCenter or Backup and Recovery.

## Understand the Protection page

The Protection page shows the following information about workload protection:

**Protection status:** A workload can show one of the following protection statuses to indicate whether a policy is applied or not:

- **Protected:** A policy is applied. ARP (or ARP/AI depending on the ONTAP version) is enabled on all volumes related to the workload.
- **At risk:** No policy is applied. If a workload does not have a primary detection policy enabled, it is "at risk" even if it has a snapshot and backup policy enabled.
- **In progress:** A policy is being applied but not completed yet.
- **Failed:** A policy is applied but is not working.

**Detection status:** A workload can have one of the following ransomware detection statuses:

- **Learning:** A ransomware detection policy was recently assigned to the workload and Ransomware Resilience is scanning workloads.
- **Active:** A ransomware detection protection policy is assigned.
- **Not set:** A ransomware detection protection policy is not assigned.
- **Error:** A ransomware detection policy was assigned, but Ransomware Resilience has encountered an error.



When protection is enabled in Ransomware Resilience, alert detection and reporting begins after the ransomware detection policy status changes from Learning mode to Active mode.



Suspicious user behavior activity and FPolicy (suspicious file extension) activity are listed separately from detection status.

**Detection policy:** The name of the ransomware detection policy appears, if one has been assigned. If the detection policy has not been assigned, "N/A" appears.

**Replication destination:** If you've configured snapshot replication, the names of the destination storage VMs and systems are listed. If there's no replication, this field displays "None."

**Snapshot and backup policies:** This column shows the snapshot and backup policies applied to the workload and the product or service that is managing those policies.

- Managed by SnapCenter
- Managed by SnapCenter Plug-in for VMware vSphere
- Managed by Backup and Recovery
- Name of ransomware protection policy that governs snapshots and backups
- None

## Workload importance

Ransomware Resilience assigns an importance or priority to each workload during discovery based on an analysis of each workload. The workload importance is determined by the following snapshot frequencies:

- **Critical:** More than one snapshot copy is taken per hour (highly aggressive protection schedule)
- **Important:** Snapshots copies are created less frequently than every hour but more frequently than every day
- **Standard:** Snapshot copies are taken more than once per day

### Predefined detection policies

You can choose one of the following Ransomware Resilience predefined policies, which are aligned with workload importance.



The **Encryption user extension** policy is the only predefined policy that supports suspicious user behavior detection.

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The **Critical replication policy** is the only predefined policy that supports replicating snapshots to ONTAP.

Policy level	Snapshot	Frequency	Retention (days)	Number of snapshot copies	Maximum number of snapshot copies
<b>Critical workload policy</b>	Quarter hourly	Every 15 min	3	288	309
	Daily	Every 1 day	14	14	309
	Weekly	Every 1 week	35	5	309
	Monthly	Every 30 days	60	2	309
<b>Important workload policy</b>	Quarter hourly	Every 30 mins	3	144	165
	Daily	Every 1 day	14	14	165
	Weekly	Every 1 week	35	5	165
	Monthly	Every 30 days	60	2	165
<b>Standard workload policy</b>	Quarter hourly	Every 30 min	3	72	93
	Daily	Every 1 day	14	14	93
	Weekly	Every 1 week	35	5	93
	Monthly	Every 30 days	60	2	93

Policy level	Snapshot	Frequency	Retention (days)	Number of snapshot copies	Maximum number of snapshot copies
<b>Encryption user extension</b>	Quarter hourly	Every 30 min	3	72	93
	Daily	Every 1 day	14	14	93
	Weekly	Every 1 week	35	5	93
	Monthly	Every 30 days	60	2	93
<b>Encryption user extension</b>	Quarter hourly	Every 30 min	3	72	93
	Daily	Every 1 day	14	14	93
	Weekly	Every 1 week	35	5	93
	Monthly	Every 30 days	60	2	93
<b>Critical replication policy</b>	Quarter hourly	Every 15 min	3	288	309
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## Enable application- or VM-consistent protection with SnapCenter

Enabling application- or VM-consistent protection helps you protect your application or VM workloads in a consistent manner, achieving a quiescent and consistent state to avoid potential data loss later if recovery is needed.

This process initiates registering SnapCenter Software Server for applications or SnapCenter Plug-in for VMware vSphere for VMs using Backup and Recovery.

After you enable workload-consistent protection, you can manage protection strategies in Ransomware Resilience. The protection strategy includes the snapshot and backup policies managed elsewhere along with a ransomware detection policy managed in Ransomware Resilience.

To learn about registering SnapCenter or SnapCenter Plug-in for VMware vSphere using Backup and Recovery, refer to the following information:

- [Register SnapCenter Server Software](#)
- [Register SnapCenter Plug-in for VMware vSphere](#)

### Steps

1. From the Ransomware Resilience menu, select **Dashboard**.
2. From the Recommendations pane, locate one of the following recommendations and select **Review and fix**:
  - Register available SnapCenter Server with the NetApp Console
  - Register available SnapCenter Plug-in for VMware vSphere (SCV) with the NetApp Console
3. Follow the information to register the SnapCenter or SnapCenter Plug-in for VMware vSphere host using Backup and Recovery.
4. Return to Ransomware Resilience.
5. From Ransomware Resilience, navigate to the Dashboard and initiate the discovery process again.
6. From Ransomware Resilience, select **Protection** to view the Protection page.
7. Review details in the snapshot and backup policies column on the Protection page to see that the policies are managed elsewhere.

## Add a ransomware protection strategy

There are three approaches to adding a ransomware protection strategy:

- **Create a ransomware protection strategy if you have no snapshot or backup policies.**

The ransomware protection strategy includes:

- Snapshot policy
- Ransomware detection policy
- Backup policy
- **Replace the existing snapshot or backup policies from SnapCenter or Backup and Recovery protection with protection strategies managed by Ransomware Resilience.**

The ransomware protection strategy includes:

- Snapshot policy
- Ransomware detection policy
- Backup policy
- **Create a detection policy for workloads with existing snapshot and backup policies managed in other NetApp products or services.**

The detection policy does not change the policies managed in other products.

The detection policy enables Autonomous Ransomware Protection and FPolicy protection if they are already activated in other services. Learn more about [Autonomous Ransomware Protection](#), [Backup and Recovery](#), and [ONTAP FPolicy](#).

### Create a ransomware protection strategy (if you have no snapshot or backup policies)

If snapshot or backup policies do not exist on the workload, you can create a ransomware protection strategy, which can include the following policies that you create in Ransomware Resilience:

- Snapshot policy



- Backup policy
- Ransomware detection policy
- Secondary replication to ONTAP

## Steps to create a ransomware protection strategy

1. From the Ransomware Resilience menu, select **Protection**.

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Workloads Protection groups

Workloads (19)

Workload	Protection status	Snapshot and back...	Type	Protec...	Encryption detecti...	Suspected u	Actions
FSxN_fileshare_useast_01	At risk	None	File share	N/A	N/A	N/A	Protect
LUN_storage_01	Protected	NetApp Ransomware...	Block	N/A	Enabled	N/A	Edit protection
MySQL_4781	Protected	NetApp Ransomware...	MySQL	pg_important	Enabled	N/A	Edit protection
MySQL_8009	At risk	NetApp Backup and...	MySQL	N/A	N/A	N/A	Protect
MySQL_9294	Protected	NetApp Backup and...	MySQL	N/A	Enabled	N/A	Edit protection
Oracle_2115	At risk	SnapCenter	Oracle	N/A	N/A	N/A	Protect

2. From the Protection page, select a workload then **Protect**.
3. From the Ransomware protection strategies page, select **Add**.

Add Ransomware Resilience strategy

Ransomware Resilience strategy name

Copy from existing Ransomware Resilience strategy

No policy selected

Select

Detection 1 / 3 enabled

Snapshot policy Action required

Backup policy None

4. Enter a new strategy name, or enter an existing name to copy it. If you enter an existing name, choose which one to copy and select **Copy**.



If you choose to copy and modify an existing strategy, Ransomware Resilience appends "\_copy" to the original name. You should change the name and at least one setting to make it unique.

5. For each item, select the **Down arrow**.

◦ **Detection policy:**

- **Policy:** Choose one of the predesigned detection policies.
- **Primary detection:** Enable Ransomware Resilience to detect potential ransomware attacks.
- **Suspicious user behavior detection:** Enable user behavior detection to transmit user activity events to Ransomware Resilience and detect suspicious events, such as data breaches.
- **Block file extensions:** Enable Ransomware Resilience to block known suspicious file extensions. Ransomware Resilience takes automated snapshot copies when Primary detection is enabled.

If you want to change the blocked file extensions, edit them in System Manager.

◦ **Snapshot policy:**

- **Snapshot policy base name:** Select a policy or select **Create** and enter a name for the snapshot policy.
- **Snapshot locking:** Enable this to lock the snapshot copies on primary storage so that they cannot be modified or deleted for a certain period of time even if a ransomware attack manages its way to the backup storage destination. This is also called *immutable storage*. This enables quicker restore time.

When a snapshot is locked, the volume expiration time is set to the expiration time of the snapshot copy.

Snapshot copy locking is available with ONTAP 9.12.1 and later. To learn more about SnapLock, refer to [SnapLock in ONTAP](#).

- **Snapshot schedules:** Choose schedule options, the number of snapshot copies to keep, and select to enable the schedule.

◦ **Replication policy:**

- **Replication policy basename:** Enter a new name or choose an existing one. The basename is the prefix appended to all snapshots.
- **Replication schedules:** Toggle the frequencies you want to enable (hourly, daily, weekly, or monthly) and set the retention value (the number of replicated snapshots to keep) for each schedule you enable.

◦ **Backup policy:**

- **Backup policy basename:** Enter a new or choose an existing name.
- **Backup schedules:** Choose schedule options for secondary storage and enable the schedule.



To enable backup locking on secondary storage, configure your backup destinations using the **Settings** option. For details, see [Configure settings](#).

6. Select **Add**.

## Add a detection policy to workloads with existing snapshot and backup policies managed by SnapCenter or Backup and Recovery

Ransomware Resilience enables you to assign either a detection policy or a protection policy to workloads with existing snapshot and backup protection managed in other NetApp products or services. Other services, such as Backup and Recovery and SnapCenter, use policies that govern snapshots, replication to secondary storage, or backups to object storage.

### Add a detection policy to workloads with existing backup or snapshot policies

If you have existing snapshot or backup policies with Backup and Recovery or SnapCenter, you can add a policy to detect ransomware attacks. To manage protection and detection with Ransomware Resilience, see [Protect with Ransomware Resilience](#).

#### Steps

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2. From the Protection page, select a workload then select **Protect**.
3. Ransomware Resilience detects if there are existing active SnapCenter or Backup and Recovery policies.
4. To leave your existing Backup and Recovery or SnapCenter policies in place and only apply a *detection* policy, leave the **Replace existing policies** box unchecked.
5. To see details of the SnapCenter policies, select the **Down arrow**.
6. Select the detection settings you want:
  - Encryption detection**
  - Suspicious user behavior detection**
  - Block suspicious file extensions**
7. Select **Next**.
8. If you selected **Suspicious user behavior detection** as a detection setting, select the User activity agent or [create one](#).

The user activity agent hosts the new data collectors. Ransomware Resilience creates the data collector

automatically to transmit user activity events to Ransomware Resilience to detect anomalous user behavior.

9. Select **Next**.
10. Review your choices. Select **Create** to activate detection.
11. On the Protection page, review the **Detection status** to confirm detection is Active.

### Replace existing backup or snapshot policies with a ransomware protection strategy

You can replace your existing backup or snapshot policies with a ransomware protection strategy. This approach removes your externally managed protection and configures detection and protection in Ransomware Resilience.

### Steps

1. From the Ransomware Resilience menu, select **Protection**.

Workload	Protection status	Snapshot and backup	Type	Protection	Encryption detection	Suspected user	Actions
FSxN_fileshare_useast_01	At risk	None	File share	N/A	N/A	N/A	Protect
LUN_storage_01	Protected	NetApp Ransomware...	Block	N/A	Enabled	N/A	Edit protection
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2. From the Protection page, select a workload then select **Protect**.
3. Ransomware Resilience detects if there are existing active Backup and Recovery or SnapCenter policies. To replace the existing Backup and Recovery or SnapCenter policies, select the **Replace existing policies** box. When you select the box, Ransomware Resilience replaces the list of detection policies with detection policies.
4. Choose a protection policy. If no protection policy exists, select **Add** to create a new policy. For information about creating a policy, see [Create a protection policy](#). Select **Next**.
5. If your strategy includes replication, select the **Destination system** and **Destination storage VM**. Select **Next**.
6. Select a backup destination or create a new one. Select **Next**.
  - a. If your protection strategy includes user behavior detection, select a User activity agent in your environment to host the new data collectors. Ransomware Resilience creates the data collector automatically to transmit user activity events to Ransomware Resilience to detect anomalous user behavior.

- Review the new protection strategy then select **Protect** to apply it.
- On the Protection page, review the **Detection status** to confirm detection is Active.

## Assign a different policy

You can replace the existing policy with a different one.

### Steps

- From the Ransomware Resilience menu, select **Protection**.
- From the Protection page, on the workload row, select **Edit protection**.
- If the workload has an existing Backup and Recovery or SnapCenter policy that you want to maintain, uncheck **Replace existing policies**. To replace the existing policies, check **Replace existing policies**.
- In the Policies page, select the down arrow for the policy you want to assign to review the details.
- Select the policy you want to assign.
- Select **Protect** to complete the change.

## Create a protection group


Grouping file shares in a protection group makes it easier to protect your data estate. Ransomware Resilience can protect all volumes in a group at the same time rather than protecting each volume separately.

You can create groups regardless of their protection status (that is, groups not protected and groups that are protected). When you add a protection policy to a protection group, the new protection policy replaces any existing policy, including policies managed by SnapCenter and NetApp Backup and Recovery.


### Steps

- From the Ransomware Resilience menu, select **Protection**.

Protection status


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








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Workloads

Protection groups

Workloads (19)

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- From the Protection page, select the **Protection groups** tab.

Workloads			
Protection groups			
Protection group (1)			
Protection group	Protection status	Ransomware Resilience strategy	Protected count
pg_important	Protected	rps-important-plan	2 / 2

### 3. Select **Add**.

Workloads

Select workloads to add to the protection group.

Protection group name

NoRansomwareOnThisFileShare

Workloads (17) | Selected rows (2)

Select workloads with no other policy source or with Backup and Recovery as a policy source.

	Workload	Type	Console agent	Importance	Privacy exposure	Protection status	Detection	Snapshot and backup policies	Backup destination
<input type="checkbox"/>	azure_vo1_4872	File share	azure-connector-demo	Critical	n/a	At risk	N/A	N/A	N/A
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	fileshare_uswest_02_7453	File share	aws-connector-us-west-1-account...	Critical	n/a	Protected	1 / 3 enabled	Backup and Recovery	netapp-backup-vsajgd1
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	fsn_fileshare_us-east_01	File share	aws-connector-us-east-1	Critical	High	At risk	N/A	N/A	N/A
<input type="checkbox"/>	gcpfs_vo1_7496-ws	File share	gcp-connector-demo	Critical	n/a	At risk	N/A	N/A	N/A
<input type="checkbox"/>	iun_storage_01	Block	aws-connector-us-east-1	Critical	n/a	Protected	1 / 3 enabled	Ransomware Resilience	netapp-backup-vsajgd3
<input type="checkbox"/>	mysql_8009	MySQL	aws-connector-us-east-1	Critical	n/a	At risk	N/A	Backup and Recovery	netapp-backup-vsajgd1
<input type="checkbox"/>	mysql_9294	MySQL	aws-connector-us-east-1	Critical	n/a	Protected	1 / 3 enabled	Backup and Recovery	netapp-backup-vsajgd3
<input type="checkbox"/>	oracle_2115	Oracle	aws-connector-us-east-1	Critical	n/a	At risk	N/A	SnapCenter	netapp-backup-vsajgd1

Next

### 4. Enter a name for the protection group.

### 5. Select the workloads to add to the group.



To see more details on the workloads, scroll to the right.

### 6. Select **Next**.

Protect

Select how to protect all the workloads in the protection group.

**Warning:** All current policies will be replaced with the selected policies.

Ransomware Resilience strategies (3)

Ransomware Resilience strategy	Detection	Snapshot policy	Backup policy	Protected workloads
<input type="radio"/> rps-critical-plan	2 / 3 enabled	critical-sa-policy	critical-bu-policy	3
<input type="radio"/> rps-important-plan	2 / 3 enabled	important-sa-policy	important-bu-policy	1
<input type="radio"/> rps-standard-plan	1 / 3 enabled	standard-sa-policy	standard-bu-policy	0

☒ Detection 1 / 3 enabled

Settings

Encryption detection

☒ Snapshot policy standard-sa-policy

Snapshot locking Disabled

Locking retention days

Frequency	Snapshot copies	Retention
hourly	Every 1 hours	72
daily	Every 1 day	14
weekly	Every Fri of week	5
monthly	Every Jan, Feb, Mar, Apr, May, Jun,...	2

☒ Backup policy standard-bu-policy

Frequency	Retention
daily	14
weekly	5
monthly	3

### 7. Select the policy to govern the protection for this group. To confirm, select **Next**.

### 8. If the protection strategy includes replication, review the replication settings.

- To replicate all snapshots to the same destination, check **Use same destination for each workload**. Choose a **Destination system** and **Destination storage VM** for the workloads under the Console

agent section. + To use different destinations, uncheck that box. Review each workloads under each Console agent and assign a **Destination system** and **Destination storage VM** for each workload. Select **Next**.

9. To configure a backup policy, choose one then select **Next**.
10. If your detection policy includes user behavior detection, select the data collector you want to use then **Next**.
11. Review the selections for the protection group.
12. To finalize creation of the protection group, select **Add**.

## Edit group protection

You can change the detection policy on an existing group.

### Steps

1. From the Ransomware Resilience menu, select **Protection**.
2. From the Protection page, select the **Protection groups** tab then select the group whose policy you want to modify.
3. From protection group's overview page, select **Edit protection**.
4. Select an existing protection policy to apply or select **Add** to create a new protection policy. For more information about adding a protection policy see, [Create a protection policy](#). Then select **Save**.
5. In the backup destination overview, select an existing backup destination or **Add a new backup destination**.
6. Select **Next** to review your changes.

## Remove workloads from a group

You might later need to remove workloads from an existing group.

### Steps

1. From the Ransomware Resilience menu, select **Protection**.
2. From the Protection page, select the **Protection groups** tab.
3. Select the group from which you want to remove one or more workloads.

pg\_important  
Protection group

Workloads

3 File shares 2 Applications 0 VM datastores

Protection [Edit](#)

rps-important-plan  
Ransomware Resilience strategy  
[View](#)

Workloads (5)

Workload	Type	Console agent	Importance	Privacy exposure	Protection status	Detection	Snapshot and backup policies	Backup destination	
fileshare_us-east_02	File share	aws-connector-us-east-1	Standard	Medium	Protected	2 / 3 enabled	Ransomware Resilience	netapp-backup-vsajgd1	ⓘ
fileshare_us-west_01	File share	aws-connector-us-west-1-account-...	Critical	High	Protected	2 / 3 enabled	Ransomware Resilience	netapp-backup-vsajgd1	ⓘ
fileshare_us-west_02_3223	File share	aws-connector-us-west-1-account-...	Critical	n/a	Protected	2 / 3 enabled	Ransomware Resilience	netapp-backup-vsajgd1	ⓘ
mysql_4781	MySQL	aws-connector-us-west-1-account-...	Standard	n/a	Protected	2 / 3 enabled	Ransomware Resilience	netapp-backup-vsajgd1	ⓘ
oracle_8021	Oracle	aws-connector-us-east-1	Critical	n/a	Protected	2 / 3 enabled	Ransomware Resilience	netapp-backup-vsajgd1	ⓘ

4. From the selected protection group page, select the workload you want to remove from the group and select the **Actions** ... option.

5. From the Actions menu, select **Remove workload**.
6. Confirm that you want to remove the workload and select **Remove**.

## Delete the protection group

Deleting the protection group removes the group and its protection but doesn't remove the individual workloads.

### Steps

1. From the Ransomware Resilience menu, select **Protection**.
2. From the Protection page, select the **Protection groups** tab.
3. Select the group from which you want to remove one or more workloads.

**pg\_important**  
Protection group

Workloads

3 File shares, 2 Applications, 0 VM datastores

Protection: rps-important-plan Ransomware Resilience strategy [View](#) [Delete protection group](#) [Edit](#)

Workload	Type	Console agent	Importance	Privacy exposure	Protection status	Detection	Snapshot and backup policies	Backup destination
fileshare_us-east_02	File share	aws-connector-us-east-1	Standard	Medium	Protected	2 / 3 enabled	Ransomware Resilience	netapp-backup-vsajgd1
fileshare_us-west_01	File share	aws-connector-us-west-1-account-...	Critical	High	Protected	2 / 3 enabled	Ransomware Resilience	netapp-backup-vsajgd1
fileshare_us-west_02_3223	File share	aws-connector-us-west-1-account-...	Critical	n/a	Protected	2 / 3 enabled	Ransomware Resilience	netapp-backup-vsajgd1
mysql_4781	MySQL	aws-connector-us-west-1-account-...	Standard	n/a	Protected	2 / 3 enabled	Ransomware Resilience	netapp-backup-vsajgd1
oracle_8021	Oracle	aws-connector-us-east-1	Critical	n/a	Protected	2 / 3 enabled	Ransomware Resilience	netapp-backup-vsajgd1

4. From the selected protection group page, at the top right, select **Delete protection group**.
5. Confirm that you want to delete the group and select **Delete**.

## Manage ransomware protection strategies

You can delete a ransomware strategy.

### View workloads protected by a ransomware protection strategy

Before you delete a ransomware protection strategy, you might want to view which workloads are protected by that strategy.

You can view the workloads from the list of strategies or when you are editing a specific strategy.

### Steps to view strategies

1. From the Ransomware Resilience menu, select **Protection**.
2. From the Protection page, select **Manage protection strategies**.

The Ransomware protection strategies page displays a list of strategies.



Ransomware Resilience strategies (4) | Selected rows (1)

Add

	Ransomware Resilience strategy	↑	Detection	↕	Snapshot policy	↕	Backup policy	↕	Protected workloads	↕
<input type="radio"/>	rps-critical-plan		2 / 3 enabled		critical-ss-policy		critical-bu-policy		3	▼
<input type="radio"/>	rps-important-plan		2 / 3 enabled		important-ss-policy		important-bu-policy		1	▼
<input checked="" type="radio"/>	rps-standard-plan	Recommended	1 / 3 enabled		standard-ss-policy		standard-bu-policy		0	▼
<input type="radio"/>	rr-strategy-enc-user-ext		3 / 3 enabled		standard-ss-policy		standard-bu-policy		0	▼

- On the Ransomware protection strategies page in the Protected workloads column, select the down arrow at the end of the row.

### Delete a ransomware protection strategy

You can delete a protection strategy that is not currently associated with any workloads.

#### Steps

- From the Ransomware Resilience menu, select **Protection**.
- From the Protection page, select **Manage protection strategies**.
- In the Manage strategies page, select the **Actions** ... option for the strategy you want to delete.
- From the Actions menu, select **Delete policy**.

## Scan for personally identifiable information with NetApp Data Classification in Ransomware Resilience

Within NetApp Ransomware Resilience, you can use NetApp Data Classification to scan and classify the data in a file share workload. Classifying data helps you determine whether the dataset includes personally identifiable information (PII), which can increase security risks. Data Classification is a core component of the NetApp Console and is available at no additional cost.

[Data Classification](#) utilizes AI-driven natural language processing for contextual data analysis and categorization, providing actionable insights into your data to address compliance requirements, detect security vulnerabilities, optimize costs, and accelerate migration.



This process can impact workload importance to help ensure you have the appropriate protection.

### Required Console role

To perform this task, you need the Organization admin, Folder or project admin, or Ransomware Resilience admin role. [Learn about Ransomware Resilience roles for NetApp Console](#).

### Identify privacy exposure with Data Classification

Before you use Data Classification within Ransomware Resilience, you need [to enable Data Classification to scan your data](#).

You can deploy Data Classification within the Protection page of Ransomware Resilience. Follow the

procedure to identify the privacy exposure. When you select **Identify exposure**, if you haven't already deployed Data Classification, a dialog enables you to enable Data Classification.

For more information about Data Classification, see:

- [Learn about Data Classification](#)
- [Categories of private data](#)
- [Investigate the data stored in your organization](#)

**Before you begin**

Scanning for PII data in Ransomware Resilience is available if you've [deployed Data Classification](#). Data Classification is available as part of the Console at no extra charge and can be deployed on-premises or in the customer cloud.

**Steps**

1. From the Ransomware Resilience menu, select **Protection**.
2. In the Protection page, locate a file share workload in the Workload column.

Protection

Run readiness drill

Free trial (31 days left)

Protection status

7

At risk

7 in last 7 days  
35 TiB data at risk

11

Protected

1 in last 7 days  
10 TiB data at risk

Workloads

Protection groups

Workloads (23)

Search

Download

Manage protection strategies

Workload	Type	Protection status	Protect...	Encryption detection...	Suspected user beh...	Block suspicious fil...	Snapshot and back...	Console agent	Importance	Privacy ex...	Backup destination	Actions
azure_voif_4872	File share	At risk	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	azure-connector-demo	Critical	Identify exposure	N/A	Protect
fileshare_uosest_02	File share	Protected	pg.important	Enabled	N/A	Enabled	Ransomware Resilience	aws-connector-us-east-1	Standard	Medium	netapp-backup-voisgd1	Edit protection
fileshare_uwest_01	File share	Protected	pg.important	Enabled	N/A	Enabled	Ransomware Resilience	aws-connector-us-west...	Critical	High	netapp-backup-voisgd1	Edit protection
fileshare_uwest_02_3223	File share	Protected	pg.important	Enabled	N/A	Enabled	Ransomware Resilience	aws-connector-us-west...	Critical	Identify exposure	netapp-backup-voisgd1	Edit protection
fileshare_uwest_02_7453	File share	Protected	N/A	Enabled	N/A	N/A	Backup and Recovery	aws-connector-us-west...	Critical	Identify exposure	netapp-backup-voisgd1	Edit protection
fsxn_fileshare_uusest_01	File share	At risk	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	aws-connector-us-east-1	Critical	High	N/A	Protect
gcpsh_voif_7496-ws	File share	At risk	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	gcp-connector-demo	Critical	Identify exposure	N/A	Protect
lun_storage_01	Block	Protected	N/A	Enabled	N/A	N/A	Ransomware Resilience	aws-connector-us-east-1	Critical	N/A	netapp-backup-voisgd3	Edit protection
mysql_4781	MySQL	Protected	pg.important	Enabled	N/A	Enabled	Ransomware Resilience	aws-connector-us-west...	Standard	N/A	netapp-backup-voisgd1	Edit protection
mysql_8009	MySQL	At risk	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Backup and Recovery	aws-connector-us-east-1	Critical	N/A	netapp-backup-voisgd1	Protect

3. To enable Data Classification to scan your data for PII, in the **Privacy exposure** column, select **Identify exposure**.

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If you haven't deployed Data CClassification, selecting **Identify exposure** opens a dialog to deploy Data Classification. Select **Deploy**. After you've deployed Data Classification, you can return to the Protection page then select **Identify exposure**.

**Result**

Scanning can take several minutes depending on the size and number of the files. During the scan, the Protection page indicates it is identifying files and provides a file count. When scanning is complete, the Privacy exposure column rates the exposure level as Low, Medium, or High.

**Review the privacy exposure**

After Data Classification scans for PII, assess the risk.

PII data is classified into one of three designations:

- **High:** Greater than 70% of files contain PII
- **Medium:** Greater than 30% and less than 70% of files contain PII
- **Low:** Greater than 0% and less than 30% of files contain PII

## Steps

1. From the Ransomware Resilience menu, select **Protection**.
2. In the Protection page, locate the file share workload in the Workload column that shows a status in the Privacy exposure column.

Protection Run readiness drill Free trial (31 days left)

Protection status

7 At risk 7 in last 7 days 35 TiB data at risk 11 Protected 1 in last 7 days 10 TiB data at risk

Workloads Protection groups

Workloads (23)

Workload	Type	Protection status	Protect...	Encryption detection...	Suspected user beh...	Block suspicious fil...	Snapshot and back...	Console agent	Importance	Privacy ex...	Backup destination	Actions
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fileshare_useast_02	File share	Protected	pg.important	Enabled	N/A	Enabled	Ransomware Resilience	aws-connector-us-east-1	Standard	Medium	netapp-backup-vsaigd1	Edit protection
fileshare_uwest_01	File share	Protected	pg.important	Enabled	N/A	enabled	Ransomware Resilience	aws-connector-us-west...	Critical	High	netapp-backup-vsaigd1	Edit protection
fileshare_uwest_02_3223	File share	Protected	pg.important	Enabled	N/A	Enabled	Ransomware Resilience	aws-connector-us-west...	Critical	Identify exposure	netapp-backup-vsaigd1	Edit protection
fileshare_uwest_02_7453	File share	Protected	N/A	Enabled	N/A	N/A	Backup and Recovery	aws-connector-us-west...	Critical	Identify exposure	netapp-backup-vsaigd1	Edit protection
fsxn_fileshare_useast_01	File share	At risk	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	aws-connector-us-east-1	Critical	High	N/A	Protect
gcp_ha_voif_7496-ws	File share	At risk	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	gcp-connector-demo	Critical	Identify exposure	N/A	Protect
lun_storage_01	Block	Protected	N/A	Enabled	N/A	N/A	Ransomware Resilience	aws-connector-us-east-1	Critical	N/A	netapp-backup-vsaigd3	Edit protection
mysql_4781	MySQL	Protected	pg.important	Enabled	N/A	enabled	Ransomware Resilience	aws-connector-us-west...	Standard	N/A	netapp-backup-vsaigd1	Edit protection
mysql_8009	MySQL	At risk	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Backup and Recovery	aws-connector-us-east-1	Critical	N/A	netapp-backup-vsaigd1	Protect

3. Select the workload link in the Workload column to see workload details.

Protection > FSxN\_fileshare\_useast\_01

### FSxN\_fileshare\_useast\_01

Critical Importance

Protected  
Protection health  
[Edit protection](#)

0 Alerts

Not marked for recovery  
Recovery

High Privacy exposure

Files with PII 181 hits in 150 files

Types of PII

- Credit cards 20 hits in 150 files
- Contacts 95 hits in 150 files
- Passwords 28 hits in 150 files
- Data subjects 38 hits in 150 files

Protection

2 / 3 enabled Detection

rps-critical-plan Policy  
[View policy](#)

n/a Backup destination  
[View backup destination](#)

File share

Location svm-fsxEnvironment  
Console agent console-agent-us-east

Amazon FSx for NetApp ONTAP

Volume: FSxN\_fileshare\_useas...

Cluster id aaa111a1a-1a11-11aa-1...

System name fsxEnvironment...

Storage VM name svm-fsxEnvironment...

4. In the Workload details page, look at the details in the Privacy exposure tile.

# Impact of privacy exposure on workload importance

Privacy exposure changes can impact the workload importance.

When privacy exposure:	From this privacy exposure:	To this privacy exposure:	Then, workload importance does this:
			.
Decreases	High, Medium, or Low	Medium, Low, or None	Remains the same
Increases	None	Low	Remains at Standard
	Low	Medium	Changes from Standard to Important
	Low or Medium	High	Changes from Standard or Important to Critical

## For more information

For details about Data Classification, refer to the Data Classification documentation:

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