

Snapshot copies information display

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Snapshot copies information display

You can display Snapshot copies for a storage system, a storage system volume, LUNs, and other storage entities. Use the command snapdrive snap show (or list) to display a Snapshot copy.

Command to use to display Snapshot copy information

Use the snapdrive snap show (or list) command to display information about the Snapshot copies.

You can use the snapdrive snap show (or list) command to display information about each Snapshot copy that is created by SnapDrive for UNIX. You can use this command to display information about the following:

- · Storage systems
- Volumes on storage systems
- Storage entities such as NFS files and directory trees, volume groups, disk groups, file systems, logical volumes, and host volumes
- · Snapshot copies



The show and list forms of this command are synonymous. For SnapDrive 2.0 for UNIX and later, you must use the long form of the Snapshot copy name when you display information about Snapshot copies.

Guidelines for displaying Snapshot copies

You can use wildcards to display the Snapshot copies. You can display all the Snapshot copies present in a specific object.

Keep the following points in mind, before working with Snapshot copies:

- You can use the wildcard (*) character in Snapshot copy names. The Snapshot show operation lets you
 use the wildcard character to show all Snapshot copy names that match a certain pattern or all Snapshot
 copy names on a particular volume. The following rules apply while using wildcard in Snapshot copy
 names:
 - You can use a wildcard at the end of the name only. You cannot use the wildcard at the beginning or the middle of a Snapshot copy name.
 - You cannot use the wildcard in the storage system or storage system volume fields of a Snapshot copy name.
- You can also use this command to list all of the Snapshot copies on specific objects, including storage systems and their volumes, disk groups, host volume groups, file systems, host volumes, and logical volumes.
- If you enter a snapdrive snap show command and SnapDrive for UNIX does not locate any Snapshot copies, it displays the message "no matching Snapshot copies." If you specify arguments on the command line, and some portions of them do not exist, SnapDrive for UNIX returns a partial listing of those for which Snapshot copies are found. It also lists the arguments that were invalid.

• If the snapdrive snap create command is abruptly aborted, an incomplete .stoc.xml file is stored in the volume on the storage system. Due to this, all scheduled Snapshot copies made by the storage system will have a copy of the incomplete .stoc.xml file. For the snapdrive snap list command to work successfully, complete the following steps:

Steps

- 1. Delete the incomplete .stoc.xml file in the volume.
- 2. Delete the scheduled Snapshot copies made by the storage system containing the incomplete .stoc.xml file

Information required for using the snapdrive snap show or list commands

You can use the command snapdrive snap show or list to display information about storage systems, storage system volumes, disks, or volume groups, file system, Snapshot copies, and so on.

The following table gives the information you need to supply when you use the snapdrive snap show | list command.



You can use the same arguments regardless of whether you enter snapdrive snap show or snapdrive snap list as the command. These commands are synonyms.

Requirement/Option

Argument

Based on the command you enter, you can display information about any of the following:

- Storage systems
- Storage system volumes
- · Disk or volume groups
- File systems
- · Host or logical volumes
- · Snapshot copies

The value you enter for the file_spec argument must identify the storage entity about which you want to display information. The command assumes the entities are on the current host.

Storage system (-filer)	filername
A volume on the storage system (-filervol)	filervol
Disk group (-dg file_spec) or volume group (-vg file_spec)	name of the disk or volume group
File system (-fs file_spec)	filesystem_name

Requirement/Option	Argument
Host volume (-hostvol file_spec) or logical volume (-lvol file_spec)	name of the host or logical volume
Snapshot copy name (-snapname long_snap_name)	long_snap_name
Additional Snapshot copy names	snap_name (long or short version)

If you want to display information about a Snapshot copy, specify the name for the Snapshot copy. For the first Snapshot copy, <code>long_snap_name</code>, enter the long version of the name, which includes the storage system name, volume, and Snapshot copy name. You can use the short version of the Snapshot copy name if it is on the same storage system and volume.

-verbose	~

To display additional information, include the -verbose option.

Displaying Snapshot copies residing on a storage system

You can use the SnapDrive command to display Snapshot copies on a storage system.

To display information about Snapshot copies residing on a storage system, use the following syntax:

snapdrive snap show -filer filername [filername...] [-verbose]

Displaying Snapshot copies of a storage system volume

You can use the SnapDrive command to display Snapshot copies on a storage system volume.

To display information about Snapshot copies of a storage system volume, use the following syntax:

snapdrive snap show -filervol filervol [filervol...] [-verbose]

Displaying a Snapshot copy

The command snapdrive snap show or list displays the name of the storage system where the Snapshot copy is created, the host name, date and time, and so on.

Steps

1. Enter the following command syntax to display a Snapshot copy:

snapdrive snap show [-snapname] long snap name [snap name...] [-verbose]

This operation displays, at a minimum, the following information about the Snapshot copy:

- · The name of the storage system where the Snapshot copy is created
- · The name of the host that took the Snapshot copy
- The path to the LUNs on the storage system
- · The date and time the Snapshot copy was created
- The name of the Snapshot copy
- The names of the disk groups included in the Snapshot copy

Example: The following are examples of snapdrive snap show commands:

```
# snapdrive snap show -snapname toaster:/vol/vol2:snapA snapX snapY
# snapdrive snap show -verbose toaster:/vol/vol2:snapA /vol/vol3:snapB snapC
# snapdrive snap show toaster:/vol/vol2:snapA
# snapdrive snap list -dg dg1 dg2
```

Example: This example uses a wildcard to display information about the available Snapshot copies on a particular volume:

```
# snapdrive snap show toaster:/vol/vol1:*
snap name host date
snapped
toaster:/vol/vol1:sss1 DBserver Mar 12
16:19 dq1
toaster:/vol/vol1:testdg DBserver Mar 12
15:35 dq1
toaster:/vol/vol1:t1 DBserver Mar 10
18:06 dq1
toaster:/vol/vol1:hp 1 HPserver Mar 8
19:01 vq01
toaster:/vol/vol1:r3 DBserver Mar 8
13:39 rdg1
toaster:/vol/vol1:r1 DBserver Mar 8
13:20 rdg1
toaster:/vol/vol1:snap2 DBserver Mar 8
11:51 rdgltoaster:/vol/vol1:snap p1 DBserver
Mar 8 10:18 rdg1
```

Example: In this example, the -verbose option is used in the command line in an AIX host:

Example: This example includes messages about Snapshot copies on an AIX host that are not created with SnapDrive for UNIX:

```
# snapdrive snap show -filer toaster
snap name host date
snapped
------
toaster:/vol/vol1:hourly.0 non-snapdrive snapshot
toaster:/vol/vol1:hourly.0 non-snapdrive snapshot
toaster:/vol/vol1:snap1 DBserver1 Oct 01 13:42 dg1
dg2
toaster:/vol/vol1:snap2 DBserver2 Oct 10 13:40
DBdg/hvol1
toaster:/vol/vol1:snap3 DBserver3 Oct 31 13:45
DBdg
```

This example displays a Snapshot copy of an LVM-based file system on an AIX host using the snapdrive snap show command and the - verbose option:

Example: The following examples use wildcard:

```
# snapdrive snap show toaster:/vol/volX:*
# snapdrive snap show -v toaster:/vol/volX:DB1*
filer1:/vol/volY:DB2*
# snapdrive snap show toaster:/vol/vol2:mysnap* /vol/vol2:yoursnap*
hersnap*
# snapdrive snap show toaster:/vol/volX:*
```

Example: In this example use of a wildcard is invalid because the wildcard is in the middle of the name instead of being placed at the end:

```
# snap show toaster:/vol/vol1:my*snap
```

Other ways to get Snapshot copy names

Use the snapdrive snap list command to display the Snapshot copy name.

Another way to get a Snapshot copy name is to log in to the storage system and use the snapdrive snap list command there. This command displays the names of the Snapshot copies.



The snapdrive snap show command is equivalent to the storage system snapdrive snap list command.

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