



Qualys CMDB Sync App

User Guide

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Preface

Welcome to Qualys Cloud Platform! In this guide, we'll show you how to use the Qualys CMDB Sync App to synchronize Qualys IT asset discovery and classification with the ServiceNow Configuration Management Database (CMDB) system.

About Qualys

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Introduction to Qualys CMDB App

The Qualys CMDB Sync App synchronizes Qualys IT asset discovery and classification with the ServiceNow Configuration Management Database (CMDB) system. The App automatically updates the ServiceNow CMDB with any assets discovered by Qualys and with up-to-date information on existing assets, giving ServiceNow users full visibility of their global IT assets on a continuous basis. Conversely, if an asset is added to the ServiceNow CMDB, the App will add it to the Qualys asset inventory. For assets that exist in both asset repositories, selected metadata can be synchronized.

To know about the latest versions of SNOW supported, visit the CMDB Sync listing in the [ServiceNow Store](#).

Upgrade to 1.2.0

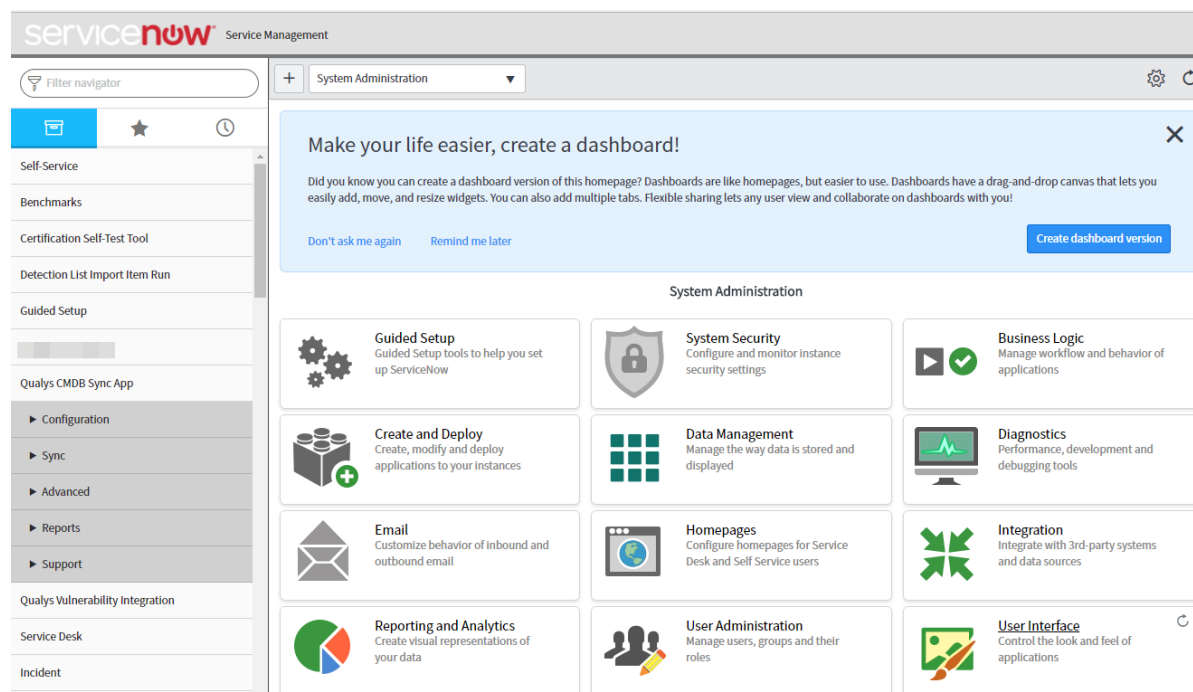
Version 1.2.0 onwards, we have updated choice lists for “Qualys API truncation limit” and “Import batch size” properties.

Before you initiate the upgrade to 1.2.0, to get the updated choice lists, follow the steps given in the document: https://docs.servicenow.com/bundle/kingston-application-development/page/build/system-update-sets/task/t_OverwriteCustomizsDuringUpgrades.html

Prerequisites

Make sure you have a valid Qualys Account Subscription with API Access.

Visit the ServiceNow Store, search for this app, and click Contact Seller. Your TAM will be in touch regarding pricing, and then ServiceNow will provision the app into an instance of your choice. After that, the app will start appearing in the “Downloads” list in your instance. Then you need to click the “Install” button there to start using the app. After you are done, you will have a new module in your ServiceNow instance that looks like this:



Setup

After installation, add API source(s). Go to Qualys CMDB Sync App > Configuration > API Sources, and click New. Enter required details in the form.

The screenshot shows the 'Qualys API Credentials' form in the ServiceNow interface. The left sidebar contains a 'Filter navigator' and a menu with options like 'Configuration', 'API Sources', 'Schedules', 'Properties', 'Sync', 'Import Queue', 'Approve Qualys Assets', 'Export Queue', 'Advanced', 'App Scheduled Jobs', 'Transform Maps', 'Reports', and 'Qualys Asset Tags by Source'. The main form area is titled 'Qualys API Credentials' and 'New record'. It includes fields for Name, Server (https://qualysapi.qualys.com), Username, Password, Active (checked), Created, Updated, Qualys to ServiceNow Sync Count(New), ServiceNow to Qualys Sync Count(New), and Count of un-scanned assets. There are checkboxes for 'Enable Qualys to ServiceNow Sync?' and 'Enable ServiceNow to Qualys Sync?'. A blue bar at the bottom of the form states 'Count of assets synced from ServiceNow to Qualys but not scanned yet.' Below the form is a 'Sync Date/Time' section with an 'Asset Tags Last Sync' field and 'Submit' and 'Test Connection' buttons. A 'Related Links' section contains a 'Test Connection' link.

Name is anything you would like to call it, and Username and Password are valid Qualys Cloud Platform credentials with API access enabled.

This screenshot shows the same 'Qualys API Credentials' form, but with the fields filled out and the 'Submit' button highlighted with a red circle and the number '1'. The 'Name' field is 'John Doe', 'Server' is 'https://qualysapi.qualys.com', 'Username' is 'user_john', and 'Password' is masked with asterisks. The 'Active' checkbox is checked. The 'Created' and 'Updated' timestamps are shown. The 'Enable Qualys to ServiceNow Sync?' and 'Enable ServiceNow to Qualys Sync?' checkboxes are also checked. The 'Asset Tags Last Sync' field is populated with '2017-12-14 01:11:59'. The 'Test Connection' button is highlighted with a red circle and the number '2'.

- 1) After you fill in the required fields, click Submit to save the API source.
- 2) After configuring and saving the API source, choose the connection you just built, and click Test Connection. Once you have a successful connection you are ready to move on to Schedules.

Schedules

You will need to setup at least 1 schedule. You may eventually want many more.

ServiceNow user's Timezone setting

In the schedule scripts we use ServiceNow's new `GlideDateTime().getDisplayValueInternal()` function to update the schedule `last_run_timestamp`. When this object is instantiated directly and used (e.g. in scoped application background script), it returns time in GMT, irrespective of the timezone set for user under whom this script runs. That's how it is designed. Also, since Service Now does not allow scoped applications to set the timezone, app cannot do that on behalf of the user who created the schedule. BUT, the time value you see on the UI is shown in the user set timezone - even if you set GMT date-time in this column. When the schedule runs next time, it gets value in GMT, and not the one you see on UI. That may lead to confusion, and log entries show time in GMT, for this reason we recommend that the Service Now user set his or her time to GMT.

Qualys to ServiceNow Scheduling

The screenshot shows the ServiceNow interface for configuring a new schedule. The left sidebar contains a 'Filter navigator' and a list of app sections: Configuration (API Sources, Schedules, Properties), Sync (Import Queue, Approve Qualys Assets, Export Queue), and Advanced (App Scheduled Jobs). The main content area is titled 'Schedules New record' and includes a 'Submit' button. The form fields are as follows:

- Name:** A text input field.
- Run:** A dropdown menu set to 'Daily'.
- Active:** A checkbox that is checked.
- Time:** A time selection field showing 'Hours 00 00 00'.
- Last Run Timestamp:** A date and time selection field.
- * API Source:** A text input field with a search icon.
- * Sync Direction:** A dropdown menu set to 'Qualys to ServiceNow'.
- Conditional:** An unchecked checkbox.
- Qualys to ServiceNow Sync:** A section with a 'Meta Info' tab. It contains:
 - Qualys Asset Tag:** A text input field with a search icon.
 - Sync Ports info?:** An unchecked checkbox.
 - Sync Software info?:** An unchecked checkbox.
 - Sync Hardware info?:** An unchecked checkbox.
- Submit:** A blue button at the bottom left of the form.

You will give this configuration a Name, choose the API Source you setup in the previous step, and a Qualys Asset Tag you want synced over. We do not recommend leaving this blank. Also, choose if you would like us to sync Ports, Software and Hardware information. The more detailed a scan you have done with Qualys Cloud Platform, the more detail you will have here. The Cloud Agent will have the most detail of an asset, while Authenticated Scans will have the next most detail, with Un-authenticated scans having the least.

From version 1.2.1, the app has time restrictions on transaction run time. Although by default the time restriction is set to 10 minutes, you can change the time restriction to any time between 10 and 60 minutes by configuring **Max Transaction Lifetime (in minutes)**: on Properties page. If you configure the transaction time to 20 minutes, the transaction is stopped after 20 minutes. In such a case, next scheduled run will resume from where the earlier run was stopped.

For initial sync from Qualys to ServiceNow, we recommend that you plan your schedules at an interval of every fifteen minutes.

ServiceNow to Qualys Scheduling

The screenshot shows the ServiceNow interface for configuring a schedule. The sidebar on the left contains various navigation links. The main content area is titled 'Schedules' and contains a form for configuring a schedule. The form includes fields for Name, Run (Daily), Active (checked), Time (Hours 00, 00, 00), API Source (POD4), Sync Direction (ServiceNow to Qualys), Conditional (unchecked), Tracking method (IP), Qualys Asset Tag, Qualys Asset Group, Enable VM? (checked), Enable PC? (unchecked), and Table (Computer [cmdb_ci_computer]). There are also buttons for 'Add Filter Condition', 'Add "OR" Clause', and a 'Submit' button.

It is mandatory for you to either choose a Qualys Asset Tag or Qualys Asset Group. The “Qualys Asset Tag” or “Qualys Asset Group” box will assign that tag in Qualys Cloud Platform to any assets synced from ServiceNow.

Note - The Asset Tags and Asset Groups that belong to only Network_range type are populated. All other asset tags and asset groups are ignored.

We also highly recommend you add filter conditions (at minimum IP Address) to assets to be synced. When you select a TABLE ensure that the table has a column with “ip_address” name, else the ServiceNow > Qualys sync may not function. Finally you must enable VM (Vulnerability Management) to be able to scan the assets you sync. It is optional to enable PC (Policy Compliance).

What's New

From version 1.2.1, a new option allows you to choose a tracking method when syncing from ServiceNow to Qualys. Choose IP, DNS, or NETBIOS tracking method.

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Qualys Assets Sync Properties

Save

Qualys Import API call truncation limit - This property defines how many host assets to include in a single response.

100

Size of Import batch - This property defines the batch size for import queue. Import queue processor will pick up only these many records from queue which are marked as QUEUED

1

Size of Export batch - This property defines the batch size for export queue. Export queue processor will pick up only these many records from queue at a time.

10

Allow Asset Group Sync ? - This property defines the permission to fetch asset groups. Application will pull asset groups for all added API sources only if this field is checked. If not, asset groups will not be pulled from Qualys Server.

☒ Yes | No

API Timeout Setting (in milliseconds) - This property defines the API request timeout period in milliseconds.(1 minute=60000 milliseconds).

480000

Max Transaction Lifetime (in minutes) - Stop transaction after these many minutes.

10

Log additional information ?

☒ Yes | No

You may define application specific properties on this page. The properties are self-explanatory.

1) Select the Qualys Import API call truncation limit . This property defines how many host assets to include in a single Qualys API response.

For hostasset APIs, default truncation limit is 100 - i.e. if you do not provide that in preferences, it will return 100 records. However, you can provide any value between 1-100. If you provide truncation limit which is greater than 100, it results in INVALID_REQUEST error.

In our SN app, we have set the default value to 100. If SN is killing the import queue processing jobs, then user can lower that value so that XML processing time fits in job execution time limits.

We have provision to up that truncation limit up to 100, in case customer knows their assets do not have much data (ultimately resulting in smaller XML size) and if they want to keep number of API calls made as low as possible.

For example, you can set higher truncation limit if you aren't pulling any hardware/software information. In such a case, each host asset record will not have huge information associated. One should use that only if they KNOW that information in each record will be smaller.

- 2) Size of Import batch is now restricted to 1
- 3) Select Size of Export batch
- 4) Allow Asset Group Sync
- 5) API Timeout Setting (in milliseconds)
- 6) Max Transaction Lifetime (in minutes):
- 7) Enable Debug logs?

Sync

Import Queue

This shows the list of jobs run from Qualys TO ServiceNow Assets. The status indicates whether application was able to parse the XML response successfully. The XML that was transferred is also available here (usually attached as response.xml):

The screenshot shows the ServiceNow 'Import Queue' page. The left sidebar contains a navigation menu with options like 'Qualys CMDB Sync App', 'Reports', 'System Import Sets', 'Load Data', 'Create Transform Map', 'Run Transform', 'Administration', 'Data Sources', 'Transform Maps', 'Scheduled Imports', 'Advanced', 'Import Sets', 'Progress', 'Transform History', and 'Transform Errors'. The main table lists import jobs with columns: 'Processing Notes', 'Processing Start', 'Processor GUID', 'Queued On', 'Schedule', 'Source', and 'Status'. The table shows several rows of jobs, some with status 'Success' and others 'Queued' or 'Processing'.

Processing Notes	Processing Start	Processor GUID	Queued On	Schedule	Source	Status
(empty)	2017-12-20 22:56:00	70eb386748b0300478830318110c71f	2017-12-20 22:38:10	All assets from US PSD	Us_pod	Success
(empty)	(empty)	(empty)	2017-12-20 22:47:05	All assets from US PSD	Us_pod	Queued
(empty)	(empty)	(empty)	2017-12-20 22:52:48	All assets from US PSD	Us_pod	Queued
(empty)	(empty)	70eb386748b0300478830318110c71f	2017-12-20 22:40:39	All assets from US PSD	Us_pod	Queued
(empty)	2017-12-20 22:37:34	8e997ca348b0300478830318110c7c2	2017-12-20 22:31:43	All assets from US PSD	Us_pod	Success
(empty)	(empty)	70eb386748b0300478830318110c71f	2017-12-20 22:41:05	All assets from US PSD	Us_pod	Queued
(empty)	(empty)	(empty)	2017-12-20 22:46:15	All assets from US PSD	Us_pod	Queued
(empty)	2017-12-20 23:00:59	70eb386748b0300478830318110c71f	2017-12-20 22:40:01	All assets from US PSD	Us_pod	Processing
(empty)	(empty)	(empty)	2017-12-20 22:45:50	All assets from US PSD	Us_pod	Queued
(empty)	(empty)	(empty)	2017-12-20 22:46:43	All assets from US PSD	Us_pod	Queued
(empty)	(empty)	(empty)	2017-12-20 22:53:14	All assets from US PSD	Us_pod	Queued
(empty)	(empty)	(empty)	2017-12-20 22:52:09	All assets from US PSD	Us_pod	Queued
(empty)	2017-12-20 22:38:18	8e997ca348b0300478830318110c7c2	2017-12-20 22:32:01	All assets from US PSD	Us_pod	Success
(empty)	2017-12-20 22:59:33	70eb386748b0300478830318110c71f	2017-12-20 22:39:25	All assets from US PSD	Us_pod	Success
(empty)	(empty)	(empty)	2017-12-20 22:47:30	All assets from US PSD	Us_pod	Queued
(empty)	(empty)	(empty)	2017-12-20 22:51:52	All assets from US PSD	Us_pod	Queued

Approve Qualys Assets

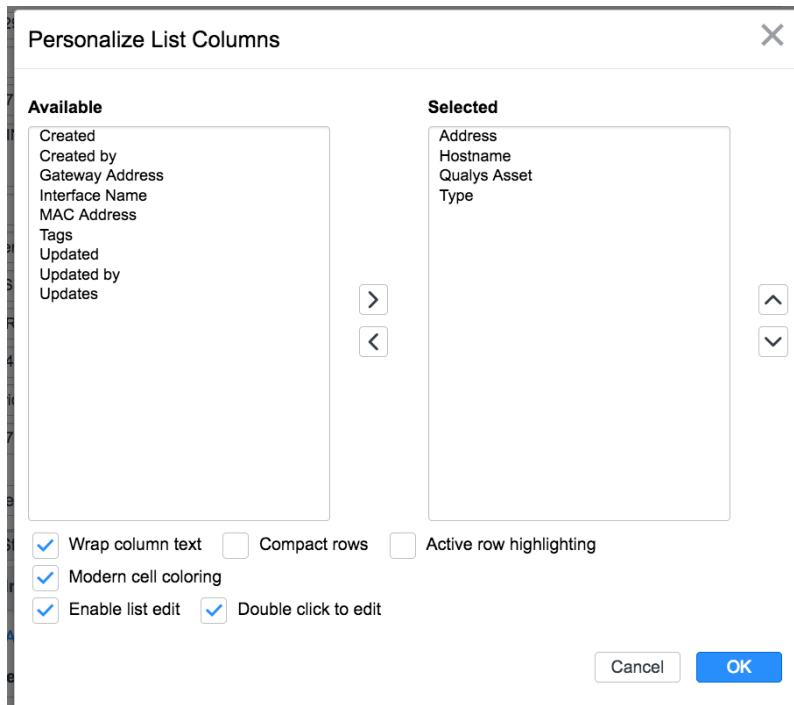
Assets imported from Qualys to Service Now will be here for approval after successful processing in Import Queue. If processing fails for any record in import queue (status = Error), none of the host assets in that XML will be visible here. You will need to approve each individually or a screen at a time. It will overwrite data in your CMDB if you approve the asset.

The screenshot shows the ServiceNow 'Approve Qualys Assets' page. The left sidebar contains a navigation menu with options like 'Qualys CMDB Sync App', 'Configuration', 'API Sources', 'Schedules', 'Properties', 'Sync', 'Import Queue', 'Approve Qualys Assets', 'Export Queue', 'Advanced', and 'App Scheduled Jobs'. The main table lists assets for approval with columns: 'IP Address', 'Source Id', 'DNS Hostname', 'QWEB Host Id', 'Qualys Host ID', and 'Tags'. The table shows several rows of assets, each with a checkbox for approval and a 'Add tag...' button.

IP Address	Source Id	DNS Hostname	QWEB Host Id	Qualys Host ID	Tags
57.67.163.4	USPOD1		4839636	55582	Add tag...
57.67.177.245	USPOD1		4839637	55583	Add tag...
57.67.163.22	USPOD1		4839638	55584	Add tag...
57.67.163.19	USPOD1		4839639	55587	Add tag...
57.67.163.21	USPOD1	draco.zeroprivate.net	4839640	55588	Add tag...
57.67.163.26	USPOD1	draco.zeroprivate.net	4840231	55589	Add tag...
57.67.163.27	USPOD1	draco.zeroprivate.net	4840232	55590	Add tag...
57.67.163.28	USPOD1	draco.zeroprivate.net	4840233	55591	Add tag...
57.67.163.29	USPOD1	draco.zeroprivate.net	4840234	55592	Add tag...
57.67.163.30	USPOD1	draco.zeroprivate.net	4840235	55593	Add tag...

If fields gathered aren't showing in your list, do the following:

- 1) Referring the same screen shot, click on the gear icon that's to the upper left of main pane.
- 2) In the pop up that opens, you see two lists - Available and Selected.



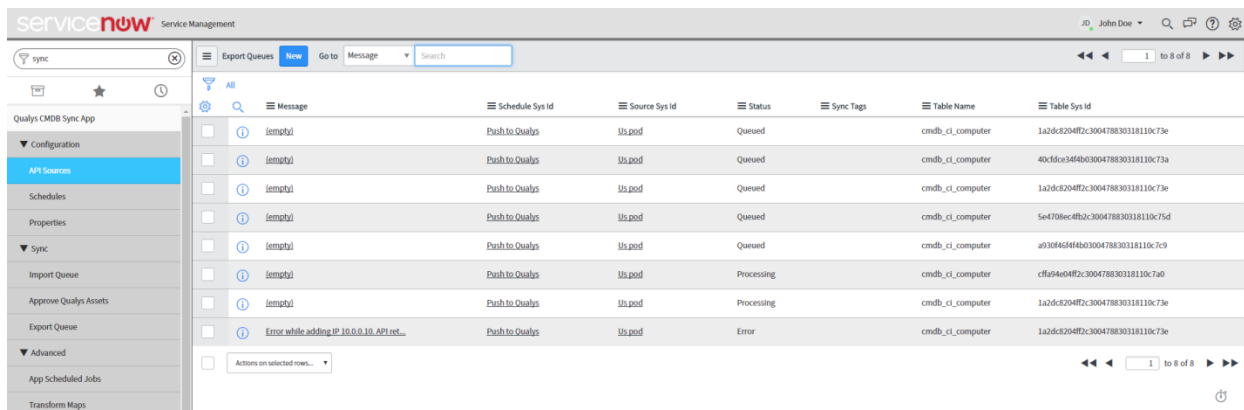
- 3) Find and double-click "MAC Address" from the Available list. It will end up in Selected list.
- 4) Click OK.

Now your view refreshes, and you should start seeing the MAC address column.

We set values when that tag is present in XML. So, if for some interfaces MAC address is not available (XML does not contain it OR it's empty), the value in SN table column would be empty. It's the same reason why you don't see Hostname for all the network interfaces in the sample.

Export Queue

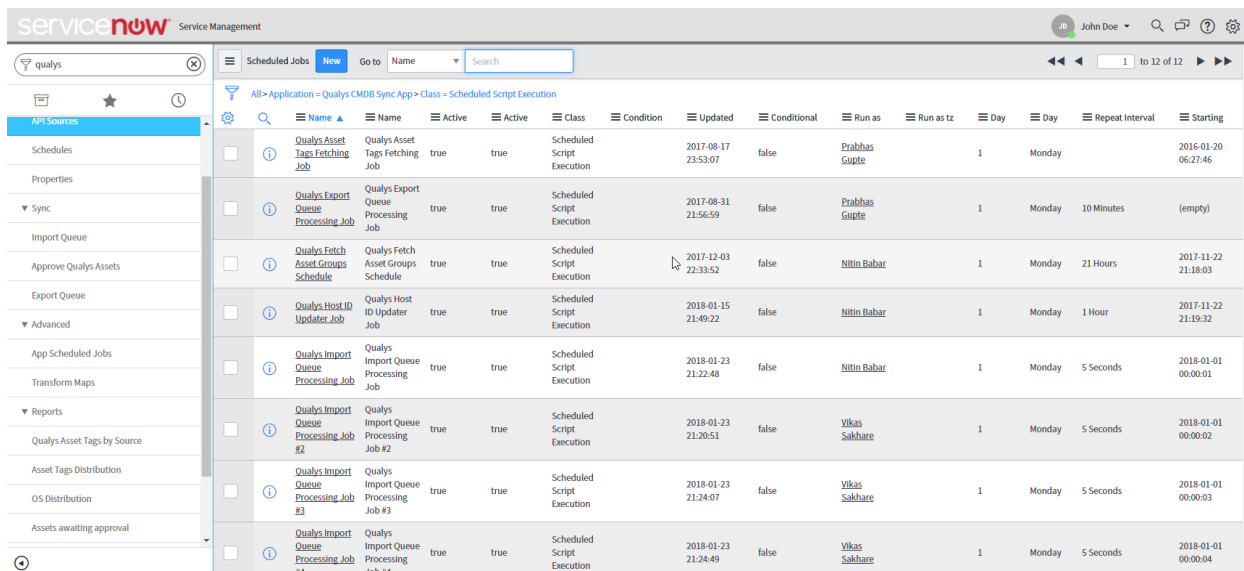
This is the list of assets to be synced from ServiceNow to Qualys Cloud Platform. If an IP Address exists in Qualys Cloud Platform we do not overwrite, we skip it and move on. Once the app successfully syncs the asset (successfully adds the IP address to user subscription), corresponding record from this list is removed. In case of any error, the record is retained with Error state, and “processing notes” column reflects some information about error.



Message	Schedule Sys Id	Source Sys Id	Status	Sync Tags	Table Name	Table Sys Id
(empty)	Push to Qualys	Us pool	Queued		cmdb_ci_computer	1a2dc8204ff2c300478830318110c73e
(empty)	Push to Qualys	Us pool	Queued		cmdb_ci_computer	40cfdca34fb6300478830318110c73a
(empty)	Push to Qualys	Us pool	Queued		cmdb_ci_computer	1a2dc8204ff2c300478830318110c73e
(empty)	Push to Qualys	Us pool	Queued		cmdb_ci_computer	5e4708ec4fb2c300478830318110c75d
(empty)	Push to Qualys	Us pool	Queued		cmdb_ci_computer	a93d4634fb6300478830318110c7c9
(empty)	Push to Qualys	Us pool	Processing		cmdb_ci_computer	cfa94a04ff2c300478830318110c7a0
(empty)	Push to Qualys	Us pool	Processing		cmdb_ci_computer	1a2dc8204ff2c300478830318110c73e
Error while adding IP 10.0.0.10 API ret...	Push to Qualys	Us pool	Error		cmdb_ci_computer	1a2dc8204ff2c300478830318110c73e

App Scheduled Jobs

All of the Apps schedules jobs are listed under Advanced > App Scheduled Jobs. An important one to be aware of is the “Qualys Asset Tags fetching job” which runs daily by default. This syncs all of the Asset Tags in Qualys Cloud Platform for use within the App. You may wish to run this more than once a day if you generate tags in Qualys Cloud Platform on a more regular basis.



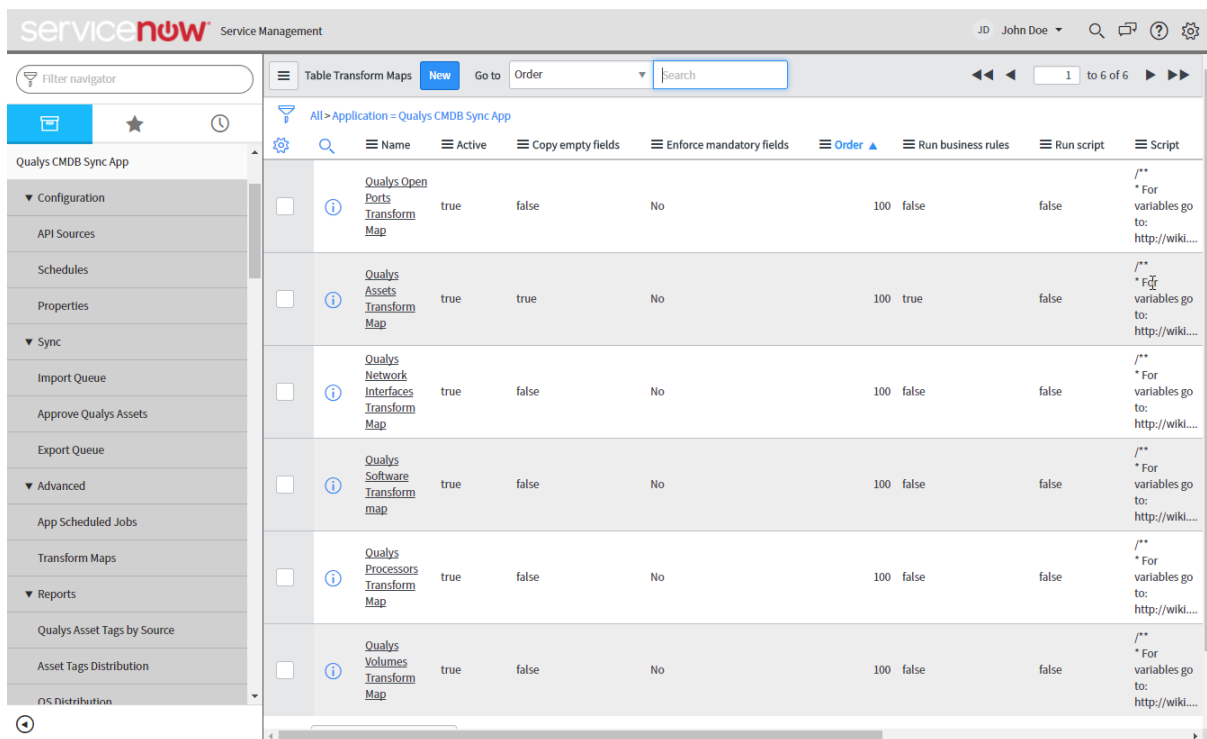
Name	Active	Class	Condition	Updated	Conditional	Run as	Run as tz	Day	Day	Repeat interval	Starting
Qualys Asset Tags Fetching Job	true	Scheduled Script Execution		2017-08-17 23:53:07	false	Prabhas Gupta		1	Monday		2016-01-20 06:27:46
Qualys Export Queue Processing Job	true	Scheduled Script Execution		2017-08-31 21:56:59	false	Prabhas Gupta		1	Monday	10 Minutes	(empty)
Qualys Fetch Asset Groups Schedule	true	Scheduled Script Execution		2017-12-03 22:33:52	false	Nitin Babar		1	Monday	21 Hours	2017-11-22 21:18:03
Qualys Host ID Updater Job	true	Scheduled Script Execution		2018-01-15 21:49:22	false	Nitin Babar		1	Monday	1 Hour	2017-11-22 21:19:32
Qualys Import Queue Processing Job	true	Scheduled Script Execution		2018-01-23 21:22:48	false	Nitin Babar		1	Monday	5 Seconds	2018-01-01 00:00:01
Qualys Import Queue Processing Job #2	true	Scheduled Script Execution		2018-01-23 21:20:51	false	Vikas Sakhare		1	Monday	5 Seconds	2018-01-01 00:00:02
Qualys Import Queue Processing Job #3	true	Scheduled Script Execution		2018-01-23 21:24:07	false	Vikas Sakhare		1	Monday	5 Seconds	2018-01-01 00:00:03
Qualys Import Queue Processing Job #4	true	Scheduled Script Execution		2018-01-23 21:24:49	false	Vikas Sakhare		1	Monday	5 Seconds	2018-01-01 00:00:04

Transform Maps

A transform map is a set of field maps that determine the relationships between fields in an import set and fields in an existing ServiceNow table, such as Incidents [incident] or Users [sys_user]. After creating a transform map, you can reuse it to map data from another import set to the same ServiceNow table. The Transform Maps module enables an administrator to define destinations for imported data on any ServiceNow table. Transform mapping can be as simple as a drag and drop operation to specify linking between source fields on an import set table and destination fields on any ServiceNow table. Use transform mapping to map source and destination fields dynamically. The Transform Maps that the Qualys CMDB Sync App uses are now all listed in a handy location here.

Learn more on Transform Maps:

http://wiki.servicenow.com/index.php?title=Creating_New_Transform_Maps#gsc.tab=0



	Name	Active	Copy empty fields	Enforce mandatory fields	Order	Run business rules	Run script	Script
☐	Qualys Open Ports Transform Map	true	false	No	100	false	false	<code>/* * For variables go to: http://wiki...</code>
☐	Qualys Assets Transform Map	true	true	No	100	true	false	<code>/* * For variables go to: http://wiki...</code>
☐	Qualys Network Interfaces Transform Map	true	false	No	100	false	false	<code>/* * For variables go to: http://wiki...</code>
☐	Qualys Software Transform map	true	false	No	100	false	false	<code>/* * For variables go to: http://wiki...</code>
☐	Qualys Processors Transform Map	true	false	No	100	false	false	<code>/* * For variables go to: http://wiki...</code>
☐	Qualys Volumes Transform Map	true	false	No	100	false	false	<code>/* * For variables go to: http://wiki...</code>

Reports

We give you a few canned reports as an example of the kind of data visualization you can do with ServiceNow and the Qualys App for ServiceNow data.

[illegible]

Service now Service Management JD John Doe 🔍 🗨️ ⚙️

Filter navigator
Edit report Switch to Classic UI ⓘ 📄 ▼ Run

! This record is in the Qualys CMDB Sync App application, but Global is the current application. To edit this record click here.

Data >	Type >	Configure >	Style
Group by			
Asset tag ▾			
Additional group by 			
☒ Display data table			
Aggregation			
Count ▾			
Max number of groups			
20 ▾			
☐ Show Other			

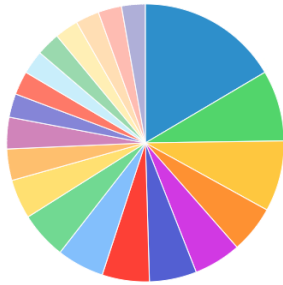
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Asset Tags Distribution Report

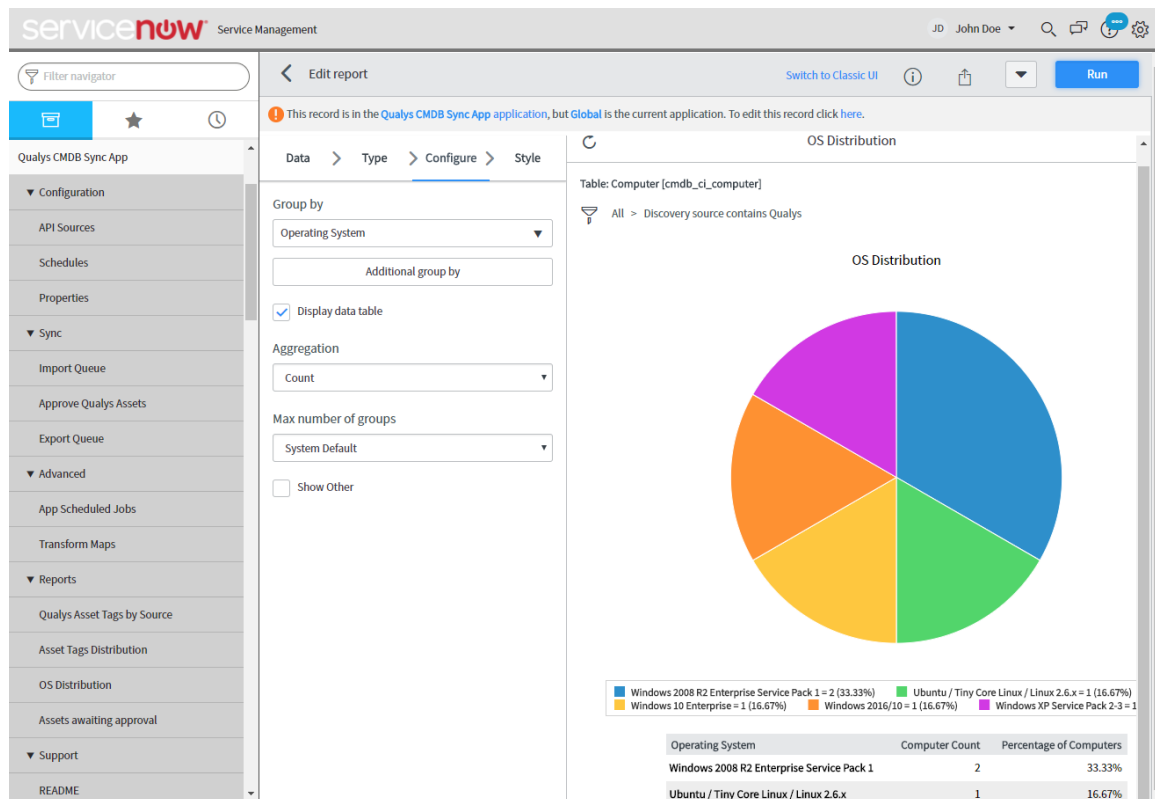
Table: Qualys Asset Tags [x_qual5_cmdb_sync_qualys_asset_tags]

All



```
<img src= "16.51%"><br>"http://www.outwork.com/Images/Logo_outworks.gif" alt="ha ha "> = 9 (8.26%)>IHDS-64.41.200.231 = 6 (5.5%)">ag1 = 9 (8.26%)>Solaris 8 = 6 (5.5%)>12/01 02:38 pm = 5 (4.59%)>APIAssetGroup.
```

OS Distribution



Debugging and Troubleshooting

How to debug

- 1) Application writes log entries at appropriate places, and after each important step.
- 2) Also, whenever application finishes important activity, it logs “ <activity> Completed” entries.
- 3) In case of problems, search the Application Logs module to find all the entries related to this application. See what all messages are logged by application, related to problem area.
- 4) If application’s log entries are not sufficient enough, and if you have access to script includes, you may add your own log statements.

Observed Issues, how to troubleshoot them and work-arounds

- 1) In case of huge data returned by Qualys API, the Import Queue Processor may timeout and terminate. In such a case, go to Properties page and lower the Import API call truncation limit. Additionally, the user will also need to go to the corresponding schedule, and empty the “Last run timestamp” field.
- 2) Issue with ServiceNow GlideSysAttachment.getContent():
 - If attachment size is more than 5mb, the getContent() method returns an empty string (“”), even though attachment in Import Queue record shows correct and complete XML.
 - In such a case, application puts that import queue entry in “Error” state, and updates the “processing_notes” column with “Cannot process the attachment. File size maybe too large.”
 - If you encounter such a situation, you are advised to lower the “x_qual5_cmdb_sync.import_truncation_limit” property value to such a number, where response size will be under 5mb.

Anticipated Issues

- 1) No connection to API server. Such a case should get handled in Qualys Assets Sync script include, leading to graceful exit with proper log entries.
- 2) Import Queue Processor timeout during processing a particular response. This may leave the corresponding Import Queue entry in “Processing” state for quite a long time. In such a case, user should manually change the status back to
 - “Queued”, if he wants to process that response again. If you reprocess any response, it will not lead to duplicate data, as application checks whether the record already exists in staging tables before inserting.
 - “Error”, if he does not want to process it again.

List of expected failure modes

- Qualys API server down
- Qualys subscription expired
- User credentials used are incorrect
- User credentials are correct, but they do not have API access

Common Questions

Qualys to ServiceNow Sync

Do you currently or do you plan to support the IdentifyAndReconcile API for CMDB CRUD actions?

https://docs.servicenow.com/product/configuration_management/concept/c_CMDBIdentifyandReconcile.html The goal of this API is to maintain the integrity of the database, and to correctly identify CIs so that new records are created only if CI is truly new to CMDB. The current version does not support this API. And, as of now, there is no plan to use it. However, we use transform maps and coalesce feature to update the matching record, if found. (matched on IP address only) If no matching record is found, only then will it create a new one.

Is the comparison delta derived from just a few tables or the base CMDB_CI table?

The records are primarily compared and updated/created on `cmdb_ci_computer` table. However, if the user wants to use any other table, they can easily update the transform map to work with the table of their choice.

Do you re-class the CI record if your IP endpoint device changes? Do you have a list of classes you have mapped for CI record creation?

We do not alter the class of CI record.

When you create/update a CI record do you record a datetime and identifier somewhere other than the description field for proper sorting/filtering?

Whenever the record in `cmdb_ci_computer` table is updated/newly created, we set "discovery_source" column to "Qualys". If you search with "Discovery source contains Qualys", you should get all these records.

What fields in SN do ports, software and hardware write to if checked?

Since there are no out-of-box tables in ServiceNow serving our purpose to store this information, we have added new tables in the application scope. Except network adapters and volumes, rest of the information (open ports, installed software, processors) go into these tables in app scope. Network adapters information goes into `cmdb_ci_network_adapter` table and volumes information goes into `cmdb_ci_file_system` table.

ServiceNow to Qualys Sync

Is it possible to sync back more than one table?

Yes, you need to create one schedule per table.