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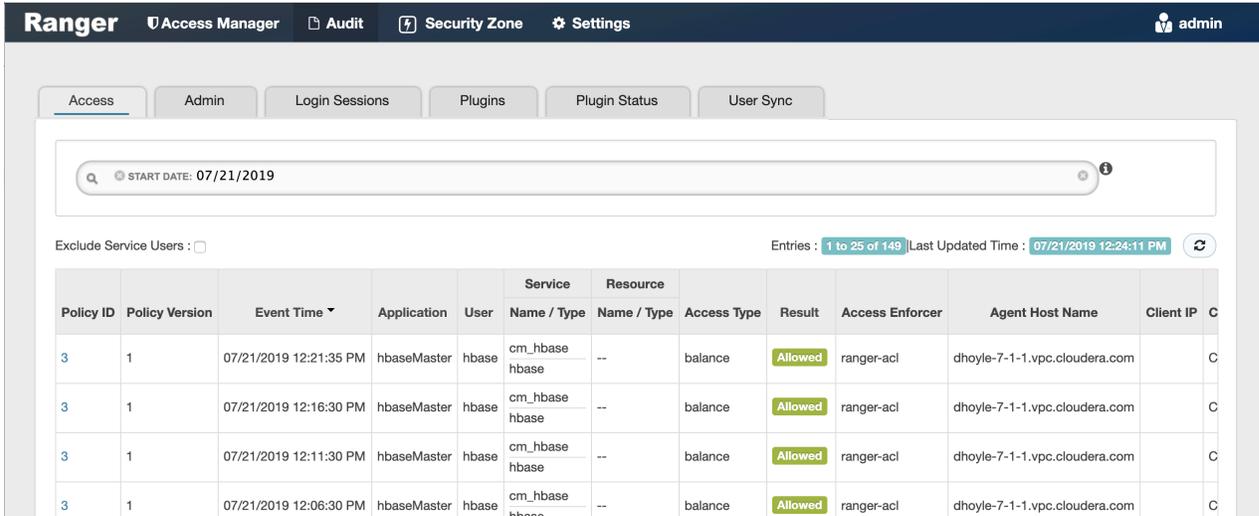
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Audit Overview

Apache Ranger provides a centralized framework for collecting access audit history and reporting data, including filtering on various parameters. Ranger enhances audit information obtained from Hadoop components and provides insights through this centralized reporting capability.

Managing Auditing with Ranger

To explore options for auditing policies in Ranger, click Audit in the top menu.



The screenshot shows the Ranger web interface. The top navigation bar includes 'Ranger', 'Access Manager', 'Audit', 'Security Zone', and 'Settings'. The user is logged in as 'admin'. Below the navigation bar are tabs for 'Access', 'Admin', 'Login Sessions', 'Plugins', 'Plugin Status', and 'User Sync'. The 'Audit' tab is active, displaying a search bar with 'START DATE: 07/21/2019'. Below the search bar, there is a table of audit entries. The table has columns for Policy ID, Policy Version, Event Time, Application, User, Service Name / Type, Resource Name / Type, Access Type, Result, Access Enforcer, Agent Host Name, Client IP, and a 'C' column. The table shows four entries, all with a result of 'Allowed'.

Policy ID	Policy Version	Event Time	Application	User	Service Name / Type	Resource Name / Type	Access Type	Result	Access Enforcer	Agent Host Name	Client IP	C
3	1	07/21/2019 12:21:35 PM	hbaseMaster	hbase	cm_hbase hbase	--	balance	Allowed	ranger-acl	dhoyle-7-1-1.vpc.cloudera.com		C
3	1	07/21/2019 12:16:30 PM	hbaseMaster	hbase	cm_hbase hbase	--	balance	Allowed	ranger-acl	dhoyle-7-1-1.vpc.cloudera.com		C
3	1	07/21/2019 12:11:30 PM	hbaseMaster	hbase	cm_hbase hbase	--	balance	Allowed	ranger-acl	dhoyle-7-1-1.vpc.cloudera.com		C
3	1	07/21/2019 12:06:30 PM	hbaseMaster	hbase	cm_hbase hbase	--	balance	Allowed	ranger-acl	dhoyle-7-1-1.vpc.cloudera.com		C

There are six tabs on the Audit page:

- Access
- Admin
- Login sessions
- Plugins
- Plugin Status
- User Sync

View audit details

How to view operation details in Ranger audits.

Procedure

To view details for a particular operation, click any tab, then Policy ID, Operation name, or Session ID.

Audit > Access: HBase Table

Policy ID	Policy Version	Event Time	Application	User	Service Name / Type	Resource Name / Type	Access Type	Result	Access Enforcer
3	1	07/21/2019 12:51:30 PM	hbaseMaster	hbase	cm_hbase hbase	--	balance	Allowed	ranger
3	1	07/21/2019 12:46:30 PM	hbaseMaster	hbase	cm_hbase hbase	--	balance	Allowed	ranger
3	1	07/21/2019 12:41:30 PM	hbaseMaster	hbase	cm_hbase hbase	--	balance	Allowed	ranger-acl
3	1	07/21/2019 12:36:30 PM	hbaseMaster	hbase	cm_hbase hbase	--	balance	Allowed	ranger-acl
3	1	07/21/2019 12:31:31 PM	hbaseMaster	hbase	cm_hbase hbase	--	balance	Allowed	ranger-acl
3	1	07/21/2019 12:26:30 PM	hbaseMaster	hbase	cm_hbase hbase	--	balance	Allowed	ranger-acl

Audit > Access: HadoopSQL



Note: The Hive plugin audit handler now logs UPDATE operations as INSERT, UPDATE, DELETE, and TRUNCATE specifically.

Policy ID	Policy Version	Event Time	Application	User	Service Name / Type	Resource Name / Type	Access Type	Permission	Result	Access Enforcer	Agent Host Name	Client IP	Cluster Name	Zone Name	Event Count	Tags
--	--	08/02/2022 12:48:02 PM	hiveServer2	hrt_1	Hadoop SQL Hadoop SQL	test_db_dkxawj/test_table... @table	INSERT	update	Denied	ranger-acl	quasar-lowyd-1.quasar-lowyd.f...	172.27.33.69	Cluster 1		1	--
9	1	08/02/2022 12:47:32 PM	hiveServer2	hrt_0a	Hadoop SQL Hadoop SQL	test_db_dkxawj/test_table... @table	INSERT	update	Allowed	ranger-acl	quasar-lowyd-2.quasar-lowyd.f...	172.27.33.69	Cluster 1		1	--
--	--	08/02/2022 12:47:01 PM	hiveServer2	hrt_1	Hadoop SQL Hadoop SQL	test_db_dkxawj/test_table... @table	TRUNCATE	update	Denied	ranger-acl	quasar-lowyd-1.quasar-lowyd.f...	172.27.33.69	Cluster 1		1	--
9	1	08/02/2022 12:46:30 PM	hiveServer2	hrt_0a	Hadoop SQL Hadoop SQL	test_db_dkxawj/test_table... @table	TRUNCATE	update	Allowed	ranger-acl	quasar-lowyd-2.quasar-lowyd.f...	172.27.33.69	Cluster 1		1	--
--	--	08/02/2022 12:46:12 PM	hiveServer2	hrt_1	Hadoop SQL Hadoop SQL	test_db_dkxawj/test_table... @column	UPDATE	update	Denied	ranger-acl	quasar-lowyd-1.quasar-lowyd.f...	172.27.33.69	Cluster 1		1	--
9	1	08/02/2022 12:45:46 PM	hiveServer2	hrt_0a	Hadoop SQL Hadoop SQL	test_db_dkxawj/test_table... @column	UPDATE	update	Allowed	ranger-acl	quasar-lowyd-2.quasar-lowyd.f...	172.27.33.69	Cluster 1		1	--
9	1	08/02/2022 12:45:46 PM	hiveServer2	hrt_0a	Hadoop SQL Hadoop SQL	test_db_dkxawj/test_table... @table	SELECT	select	Allowed	ranger-acl	quasar-lowyd-2.quasar-lowyd.f...	172.27.33.69	Cluster 1		1	--
--	--	08/02/2022 12:45:16 PM	hiveServer2	hrt_1	Hadoop SQL Hadoop SQL	test_db_dkxawj/test_table... @table	DELETE	update	Denied	ranger-acl	quasar-lowyd-1.quasar-lowyd.f...	172.27.33.69	Cluster 1		1	--
9	1	08/02/2022 12:44:46 PM	hiveServer2	hrt_0a	Hadoop SQL Hadoop SQL	test_db_dkxawj/test_table... @table	DELETE	update	Allowed	ranger-acl	quasar-lowyd-2.quasar-lowyd.f...	172.27.33.69	Cluster 1		1	--
9	1	08/02/2022 12:44:46 PM	hiveServer2	hrt_0a	Hadoop SQL Hadoop SQL	test_db_dkxawj/test_table... @table	SELECT	select	Allowed	ranger-acl	quasar-lowyd-2.quasar-lowyd.f...	172.27.33.69	Cluster 1		1	--
--	--	08/02/2022 12:44:16 PM	hiveServer2	hrt_1	Hadoop SQL Hadoop SQL	test_db_dkxawj/test_table... @table	INSERT	update	Denied	ranger-acl	quasar-lowyd-1.quasar-lowyd.f...	172.27.33.69	Cluster 1		1	--
9	1	08/02/2022 12:43:35 PM	hiveServer2	hrt_0a	Hadoop SQL Hadoop SQL	test_db_dkxawj/test_table... @table	INSERT	update	Allowed	ranger-acl	quasar-lowyd-2.quasar-lowyd.f...	172.27.33.69	Cluster 1		1	--

Audit > Admin: Create

The screenshot displays the Ranger Admin interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with 'Ranger' and menu items: 'Access Manager', 'Audit', 'Security Zone', and 'Settings'. The user 'admin' is logged in. Below the navigation bar, there are tabs for 'Access', 'Admin', 'Login Sessions', 'Plugins', 'Plugin Status', and 'User Sync'. The 'Admin' tab is active, showing a search bar for access logs and a table of audit entries.

The audit log table has the following columns: Operation, Audit Type, User, Date (Eastern Daylight Time), Actions, and Session Id. The entries include various operations like 'Service updated', 'Group created', 'Policy created', and 'Security Zone created'. The 'Security Zone created security-zone2' entry is highlighted, and a blue arrow points to its 'Create' button.

A modal window titled 'Operation : create' is open, showing details for the 'security-zone2' operation. It includes the following information:

- Name : security-zone2
- Date : 07/14/2019 05:24:36 PM Eastern Daylight Time
- Created By : admin

Zone Details :

Fields :	New Value
Zone Description	--
Zone Audit User Groups	--
Zone Audit Users	auditor1
Zone Admin User Groups	--
Zone Admin Users	admin
Zone Tag Services	cm_tag
Zone Name	security-zone2

Zone Service Details :

Service Name	Zone Service Resources
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The modal window has an 'OK' button at the bottom right.

Audit > User Sync: Sync details

The screenshot shows the Ranger Admin console interface. At the top, there are navigation tabs: Access, Admin, Login Sessions, Plugins, Plugin Status, and User Sync. Below the tabs is a search bar with the text "START DATE: 07/21/2019". To the right of the search bar, it says "Entries: 1 to 25 of 803" and "Last Updated Time: 07/21/2019 01:23:45 PM".

User Name	Sync Source	Number Of New		Number Of Modified		Event Time	Sync Details
		Users	Groups	Users	Groups		
rangerusersync	Unix	0	0	0	0	07/21/2019 01:22:48 PM	[Eye Icon]
rangerusersync	Unix	0	0	0	0	07/21/2019 01:21:48 PM	[Eye Icon]
rangerusersync	Unix	0	0	0	0	07/21/2019 01:20:48 PM	[Eye Icon]
rangerusersync	Unix	0	0	0	0	07/21/2019 01:19:48 PM	[Eye Icon]
rangerusersync	Unix	0	0	0	0	07/21/2019 01:18:48 PM	[Eye Icon]
rangerusersync	Unix	0	0	0	0	07/21/2019 01:17:48 PM	[Eye Icon]
rangerusersync	Unix	0	0	0	0	07/21/2019 01:16:48 PM	[Eye Icon]
rangerusersync	Unix	0	0	0	0	07/21/2019 01:15:48 PM	[Eye Icon]
rangerusersync	Unix	0	0	0	0	07/21/2019 01:14:48 PM	[Eye Icon]
rangerusersync	Unix	0	0	0	0	07/21/2019 01:13:48 PM	[Eye Icon]
rangerusersync	Unix	0	0	0	0	07/21/2019 01:12:48 PM	[Eye Icon]
rangerusersync	Unix	0	0	0	0	07/21/2019 01:11:48 PM	[Eye Icon]
rangerusersync	Unix	0	0	0	0	07/21/2019 01:10:48 PM	[Eye Icon]
rangerusersync	Unix	0	0	0	0	07/21/2019 01:09:48 PM	[Eye Icon]
rangerusersync	Unix	0	0	0	0	07/21/2019 01:08:48 PM	[Eye Icon]
rangerusersync	Unix	0	0	0	0	07/21/2019 01:07:48 PM	[Eye Icon]
rangerusersync	Unix	0	0	0	0	07/21/2019 01:06:48 PM	[Eye Icon]
rangerusersync	Unix	0	0	0	0	07/21/2019 01:05:48 PM	[Eye Icon]
rangerusersync	Unix	0	0	0	0	07/21/2019 01:04:48 PM	[Eye Icon]
rangerusersync	Unix	0	0	0	0	07/21/2019 01:03:48 PM	[Eye Icon]
rangerusersync	Unix	0	0	0	0	07/21/2019 01:02:48 PM	[Eye Icon]
rangerusersync	Unix	0	0	0	0	07/21/2019 01:01:48 PM	[Eye Icon]
rangerusersync	Unix	0	0	0	0	07/21/2019 01:00:47 PM	[Eye Icon]

The 'Sync Details' modal window shows the following information:

Name	Value
Unix	nss
File Name	/etc/passwd
Sync time	07/21/2019 10:21:48 AM
Last modified time	12/31/1969 04:00:00 PM
Minimum user id	500
Minimum group id	0
Total number of users synced	35
Total number of groups synced	39

Create a read-only Admin user (Auditor)

Creating a read-only Admin user (Auditor) enables compliance activities because this user can monitor policies and audit events, but cannot make changes.

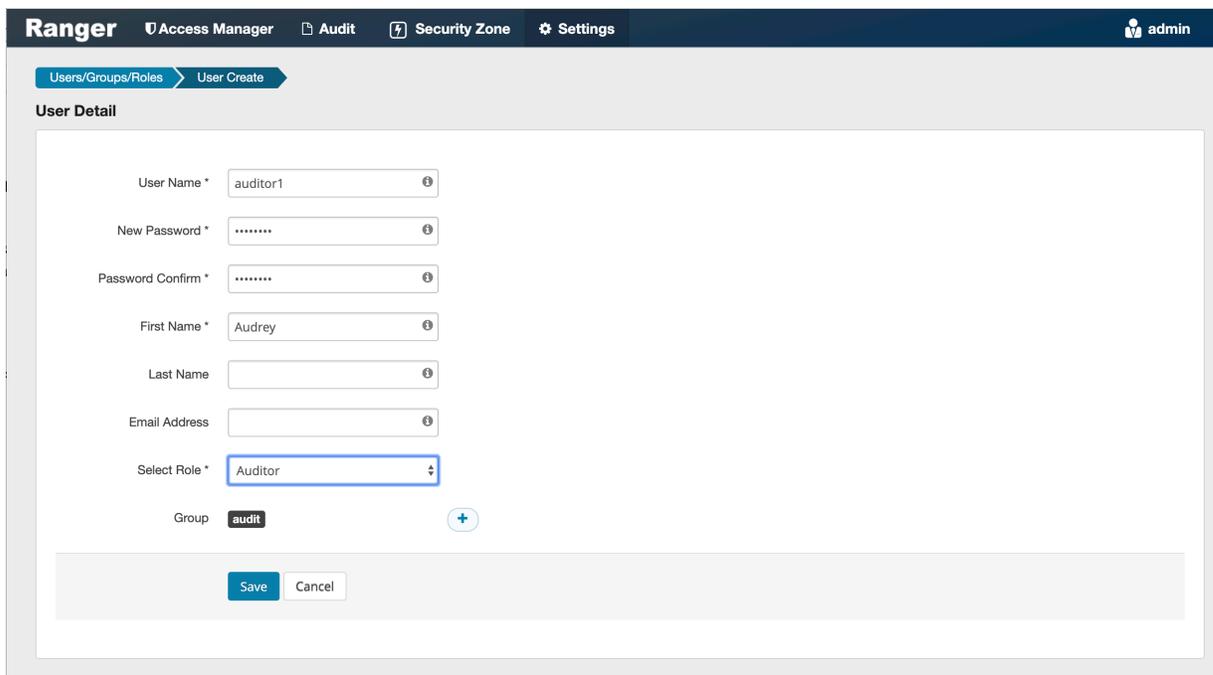
About this task

When a user with the Auditor role logs in, they see a read-only view of Ranger policies and audit events. An Auditor can search and filter on access audit events, and access and view all tabs under Audit to understand access events. They cannot edit users or groups, export/import policies, or make changes of any kind.

Procedure

1. Select Settings > Users/Groups/Roles.
2. Click Add New User.

3. Complete the **User Detail** section, selecting Auditor as the role:



The screenshot shows the Ranger Admin web UI. The top navigation bar includes 'Ranger', 'Access Manager', 'Audit', 'Security Zone', and 'Settings'. The user 'admin' is logged in. The breadcrumb trail is 'Users/Groups/Roles > User Create'. The main section is titled 'User Detail' and contains the following form fields:

- User Name *: auditor1
- New Password *: [masked]
- Password Confirm *: [masked]
- First Name *: Audrey
- Last Name: [empty]
- Email Address: [empty]
- Select Role *: Auditor
- Group: audit

At the bottom of the form are 'Save' and 'Cancel' buttons.

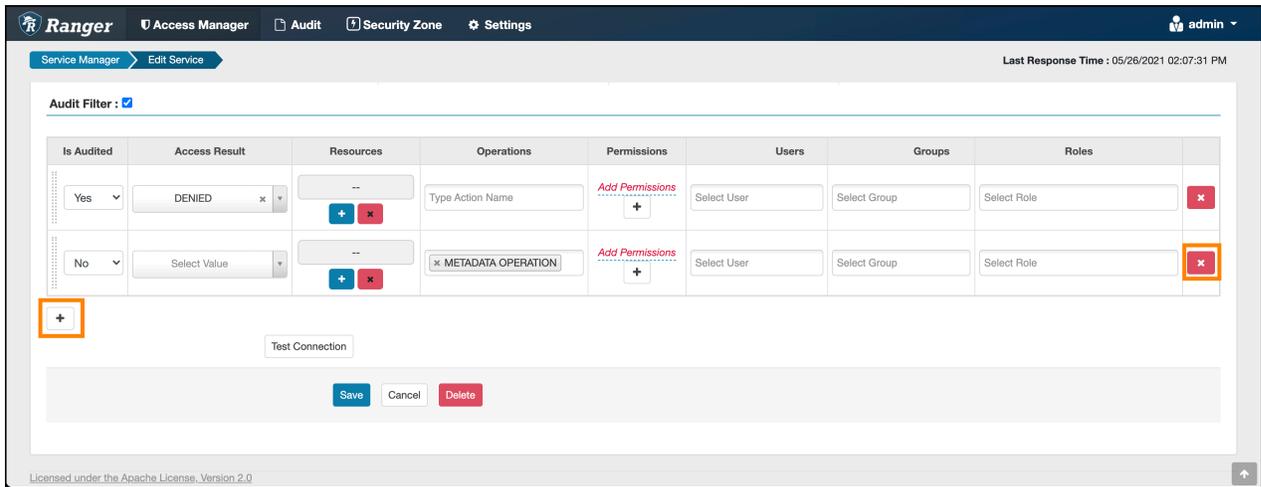
4. Click Save.

Ranger Audit Filters

You can use Ranger audit filters to control the amount of audit log data collected and stored on your cluster.

About Ranger audit filters

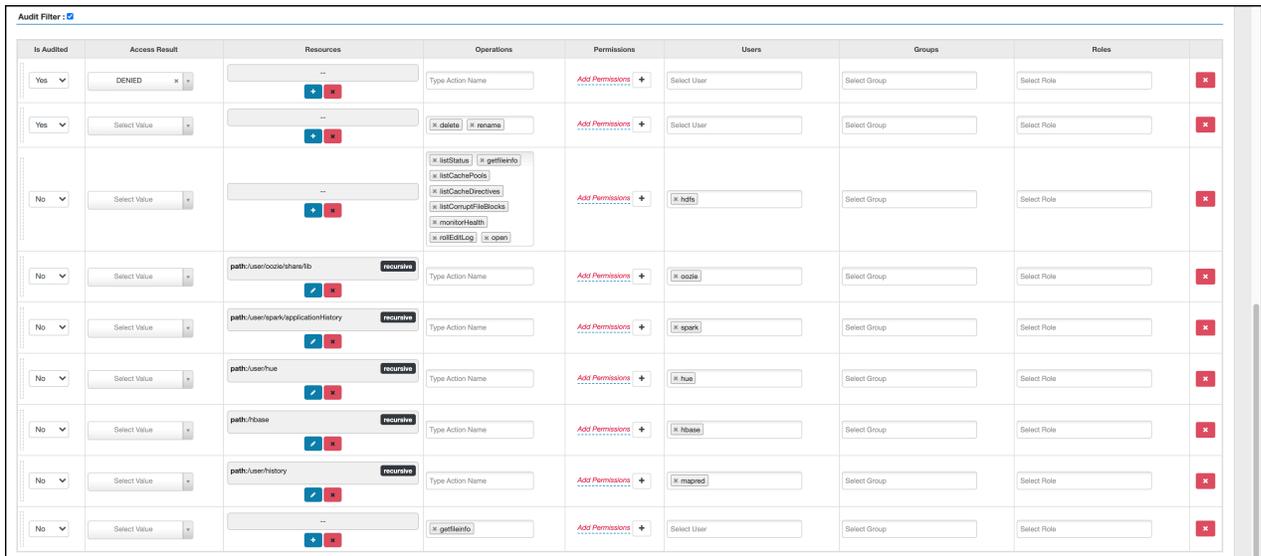
Ranger audit filters allow you to control the amount of audit log data for each Ranger service. Audit filters are defined using a JSON string that is added to each service configuration. The audit filter JSON string is a simplified form of the Ranger policy JSON. Audit filters appear as rows in the Audit Filter section of the Edit Service view for each service. The set of audit filter rows defines the audit log policy for the service. For example, the default audit log policy for the Hadoop SQL service appears in the in the Ranger Admin web UI Service Manager Edit Service when you scroll down to Audit Filter. Audit filter is checked (visible) by default. In this example, the top row defines an audit filter that causes all instances of "access denied" to appear in audit logs. The lower row defines a filter that causes no metadata operations to appear in audit logs. These two filters comprise the default audit filter policy for the Hadoop SQL service.



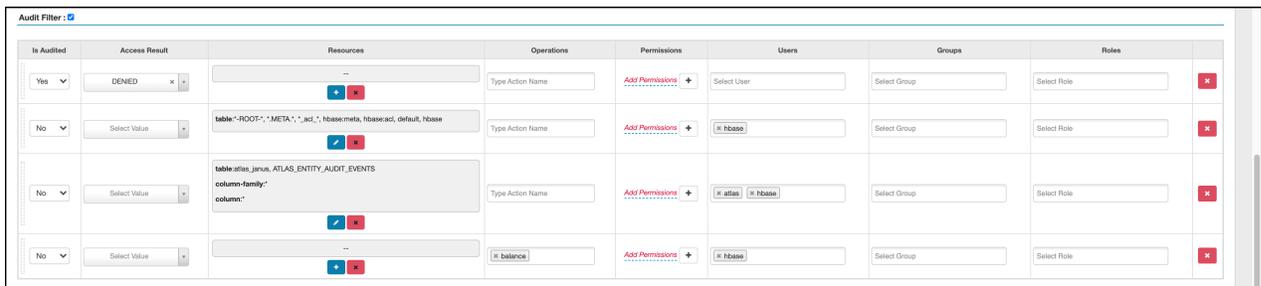
Default audit filters

Default audit filters for the following Ranger service appear in the Edit Services and can then be modified as needed by Admin users.

HDFS service:



HBase service:



Hadoop SQL service:

Is Audited	Access Result	Resources	Operations	Permissions	Users	Groups	Roles
Yes	DENIED	--	Type Action Name	Add Permissions +	Select User	Select Group	Select Role
No	Select Value	--	⊗ METADATA OPERATION	Add Permissions +	Select User	Select Group	Select Role

Knox service

Is Audited	Access Result	Resources	Operations	Permissions	Users	Groups	Roles
Yes	DENIED	--	Type Action Name	Add Permissions +	Select User	Select Group	Select Role
No	Select Value	--	Type Action Name	Add Permissions +	⊗ knox	Select Group	Select Role

Solr service

Is Audited	Access Result	Resources	Operations	Permissions	Users	Groups	Roles
Yes	DENIED	--	Type Action Name	Add Permissions +	Select User	Select Group	Select Role
No	Select Value	--	Type Action Name	Add Permissions +	⊗ hive ⊗ hdfs ⊗ kafka ⊗ hbase ⊗ solr ⊗ rangertaz ⊗ knox ⊗ atlas	Select Group	Select Role

Kafka service:

Is Audited	Access Result	Resources	Operations	Permissions	Users	Groups	Roles
Yes	DENIED	--	Type Action Name	Add Permissions +	Select User	Select Group	Select Role
No	Select Value	topic:ATLAS_ENTITIES, ATLAS_HOOK, ATLAS_SPARK_HOOK	⊗ describe ⊗ publish ⊗ consume	Add Permissions +	⊗ atlas	Select Group	Select Role
No	Select Value	topic:ATLAS_HOOK	⊗ publish ⊗ describe	Add Permissions +	⊗ hive ⊗ hbase ⊗ impala ⊗ nifi	Select Group	Select Role
No	Select Value	topic:ATLAS_ENTITIES	⊗ consume ⊗ describe	Add Permissions +	⊗ rangertagsync	Select Group	Select Role
No	Select Value	consumergroup:*	⊗ consume	Add Permissions +	⊗ atlas ⊗ rangertagsync	Select Group	Select Role
No	Select Value	--	Type Action Name	Add Permissions +	⊗ kafka	Select Group	Select Role

KMS service

Is Audited	Access Result	Resources	Operations	Permissions	Users	Groups	Roles
Yes	DENIED	--	Type Action Name	Add Permissions +	Select User	Select Group	Select Role
No	Select Value	--	⊗ read	Add Permissions +	⊗ keyadmin	Select Group	Select Role

Atlas service

Is Audited	Access Result	Resources	Operations	Permissions	Users	Groups	Roles
Yes	DENIED	--	Type Action Name	Add Permissions +	Select User	Select Group	Select Role
No	Select Value	--	Type Action Name	Add Permissions +	⊗ atlas	Select Group	Select Role

Ozone service

Is Audited	Access Result	Resources	Operations	Permissions	Users	Groups	Roles
Yes	DENIED	--	Type Action Name	Add Permissions +	Select User	Select Group	Select Role
No	Select Value	--	Type Action Name	Add Permissions +	⊗ om	Select Group	Select Role

Tag-based service

Is Audited	Access Result	Resources	Operations	Permissions	Users	Groups	Roles
Yes	DENIED	--	Type Action Name	Add Permissions +	Select User	Select Group	Select Role

Default audit filter policies do not exist for Yarn, NiFi, NiFi Registry, Kudu, or schema registry services.

Ranger audit filter policy configuration

To configure an audit filter policy, click the Edit icon for either a resource-, or tag-based service in the Ranger Admin web UI. You configure a Ranger audit filter policy by adding (+), deleting (X), or modifying each audit filter row for the service. The preceding example shows the Add and Delete icons for each filter row. To configure each filter in the policy, use the controls in the filter row to edit filter properties. For example, you can configure:

Is Audited: choose Yes or No

to include or not include a filter in the audit logs for a service

Access Result: choose DENIED, ALLOWED, or NOT_DETERMINED

to include that access result in the audit log filter

Resources: Add or Delete a resource item

to include or remove the resource from the audit log filter

Operations: Add or Remove an action name

to include the action/operation in the audit log filter

(click x to remove an existing operation)

Permissions: Add or Remove permissions

1. Click + in Permissions to open the Add dialog.
2. Select/Unselect required permissions.

For example, in HDFS service select read, write, execute, or All permissions.

Users: click Select User to see a list of defined users

to include one or multiple users in the audit log filter

Groups: click Select Group to see a list of defined groups

to include one or multiple groups in the audit log filter

Roles: click Select Role to see a list of defined roles

to include one or multiple roles in the audit log filter

Audit filter details

- When you save the UI selections described in the preceding list, audit filters are defined as a JSON list. Each service references a unique list.
- For example, ranger.plugin.audit.filters for the HDFS service includes:

```
[
  {
    "accessResult": "DENIED",
    "isAudited": true
  },
  {
    "users": [
      "unaudited-user1"
    ],
    "groups": [
      "unaudited-group1"
    ],
    "roles": [
      "unaudited-role1"
    ]
  }
]
```

```

    ],
    "isAudited":false
  },
  {
    "actions":[
      "listStatus",
      "getfileinfo"
    ],
    "accessTypes":[
      "execute"
    ],
    "isAudited":false
  },
  {
    "resources":{
      "path":{
        "values":[
          "/audited"
        ],
        "isRecursive":true
      }
    },
    "isAudited":true
  },
  {
    "resources":{
      "path":{
        "values":[
          "/unaudited"
        ],
        "isRecursive":true
      }
    },
    "isAudited":false
  }
]

```

- Each value in the list is an audit filter, which takes the format of a simplified Ranger policy, along with access results fields.
- Audit filters are defined with rules on Ranger policy attributes and access result attributes.
 - Policy attributes: resources, users, groups, roles, accessTypes
 - Access result attributes: isAudited, actions, accessResult
- The following audit filter specifies that accessResult=DENIED will be audited.

The isAudited flag specifies whether or not to audit.

```
{"accessResult":"DENIED","isAudited":true}
```

- The following audit filter specifies that “resource => /unaudited” will not be audited.

```
{"resources":{"path":{"values":["/unaudited"],"isRecursive":true}},"isAudited":false}
```

- The following audit filter specifies that access to resource database=> sys table=> dump by user “use2” will not be audited.

```
{"resources":{"database":{"values":["sys"]},"table":{"values":["dump"]}},"users":["user2"],"isAudited":false}
```

- The following audit filter specifies that access result in actions => listStatus, getFileInfo and accessType => execute will not be audited.

```
{"actions":["listStatus","getFileinfo"],"accessTypes":["execute"],"isAudited":false}
```

- The following audit filter specifies that access by user "superuser1" and group "supergroup1" will not be audited.

```
{"users":["superuser1"],"groups":["supergroup1"],"isAudited":false}
```

- The following audit filter specifies that access to any resource tagged as NO_AUDIT will not be audited.

```
{"resources":{"tag":{"values":["NO_AUDIT"]}},"isAudited":false}
```