

Ranger Auditing

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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.

Exclude Service Users : ☐

Entries : 1 to 25 of 149 Last Updated Time : 07/21/2019 12:24:11 PM

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 > Admin: Update

The screenshot displays the Ranger Access Manager interface. At the top, there are navigation tabs: "Access Manager", "Audit", "Security Zone", and "Settings". Below these are sub-tabs: "Access", "Admin", "Login Sessions", "Plugins", "Plugin Status", and "User Sync". The "Admin" tab is selected.

A search bar is present with the placeholder text "Search for your access logs...". Below it, a status bar indicates "Entries: 1 to 25 of 70" and "Last Updated Time: 07/21/2019 01:09:40 PM".

The main table lists operations with columns: Operation, Audit Type, User, Date (Eastern Daylight Time), Actions, and Session Id. The "Update" button in the Actions column for the first row is highlighted with a red box, and a blue arrow points to it.

A modal window titled "Operation : update" is open, showing details for the operation "tag_service2". It includes fields for Name, Date, and Updated By, and a table for Service Details.

Fields	Old Value	New Value
Service Description	--	--
Service Name	tag_tag	tag_service2

The modal also includes "Added" and "Deleted" buttons and an "OK" button.

Audit > Admin: Create

[illegible]

Audit > User Sync: Sync details

The screenshot shows the Ranger web interface with the 'User Sync' tab selected. A search bar at the top indicates 'START DATE: 07/21/2019'. Below the search bar, a status bar shows 'Entries: 1 to 25 of 803' and 'Last Updated Time: 07/21/2019 01:23:45 PM'. The main table displays sync events with columns for User Name, Sync Source, Number Of New Users/Groups, Number Of Modified Users/Groups, Event Time, and Sync Details. A blue box highlights the 'Sync Details' icon for the second row, which is linked to a modal window titled 'Sync Details'.

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	[Icon]
rangerusersync	Unix	0	0	0	0	07/21/2019 01:21:48 PM	[Icon]
rangerusersync	Unix	0	0	0	0	07/21/2019 01:20:48 PM	[Icon]
rangerusersync	Unix	0	0	0	0	07/21/2019 01:19:48 PM	[Icon]
rangerusersync	Unix	0	0	0	0	07/21/2019 01:18:48 PM	[Icon]
rangerusersync	Unix	0	0	0	0	07/21/2019 01:17:48 PM	[Icon]
rangerusersync	Unix	0	0	0	0	07/21/2019 01:16:48 PM	[Icon]
rangerusersync	Unix	0	0	0	0	07/21/2019 01:15:48 PM	[Icon]
rangerusersync	Unix	0	0	0	0	07/21/2019 01:14:48 PM	[Icon]
rangerusersync	Unix	0	0	0	0	07/21/2019 01:13:48 PM	[Icon]
rangerusersync	Unix	0	0	0	0	07/21/2019 01:12:48 PM	[Icon]
rangerusersync	Unix	0	0	0	0	07/21/2019 01:11:48 PM	[Icon]
rangerusersync	Unix	0	0	0	0	07/21/2019 01:10:48 PM	[Icon]
rangerusersync	Unix	0	0	0	0	07/21/2019 01:09:48 PM	[Icon]
rangerusersync	Unix	0	0	0	0	07/21/2019 01:08:48 PM	[Icon]
rangerusersync	Unix	0	0	0	0	07/21/2019 01:07:48 PM	[Icon]
rangerusersync	Unix	0	0	0	0	07/21/2019 01:06:48 PM	[Icon]
rangerusersync	Unix	0	0	0	0	07/21/2019 01:05:48 PM	[Icon]
rangerusersync	Unix	0	0	0	0	07/21/2019 01:04:48 PM	[Icon]
rangerusersync	Unix	0	0	0	0	07/21/2019 01:03:48 PM	[Icon]
rangerusersync	Unix	0	0	0	0	07/21/2019 01:02:48 PM	[Icon]
rangerusersync	Unix	0	0	0	0	07/21/2019 01:01:48 PM	[Icon]
rangerusersync	Unix	0	0	0	0	07/21/2019 01:00:47 PM	[Icon]

Sync Details

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

OK

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.

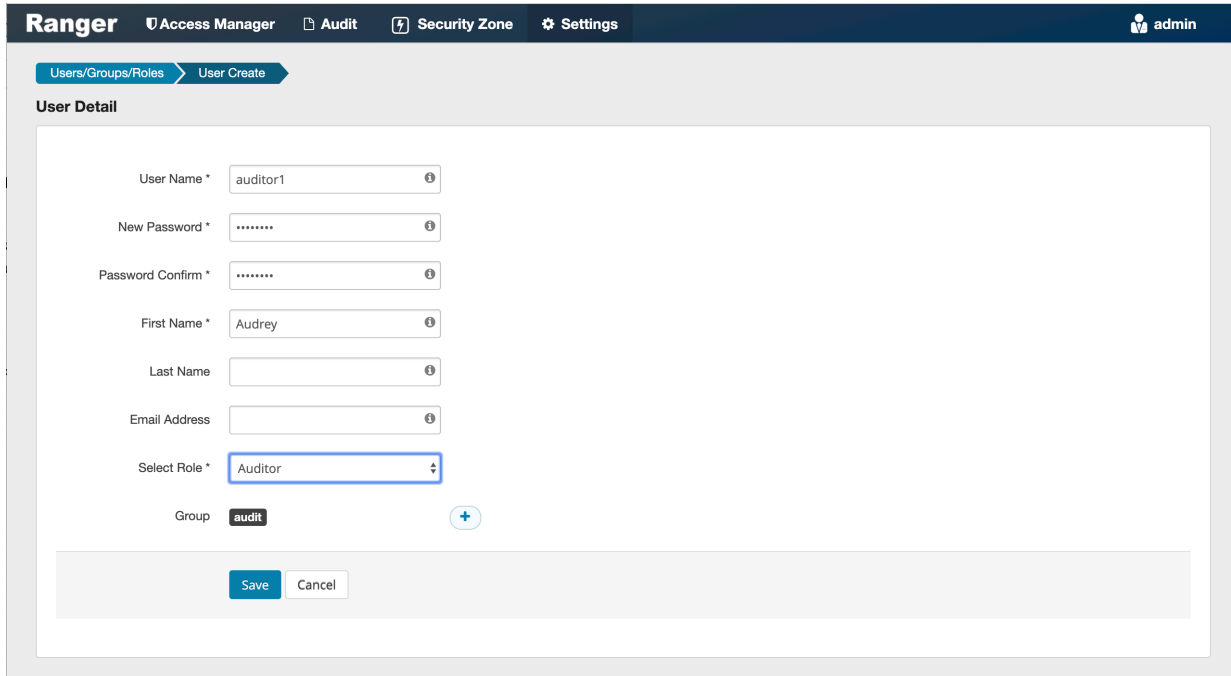
About this task

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 web interface for creating a new user. The top navigation bar includes 'Ranger', 'Access Manager', 'Audit', 'Security Zone', and 'Settings', with a user profile 'admin' on the right. Below the navigation bar, a breadcrumb trail shows 'Users/Groups/Roles' and 'User Create'. The main section is titled 'User Detail' and contains the following fields:

- User Name *: auditor1
- New Password *: [masked]
- Password Confirm *: [masked]
- First Name *: Audrey
- Last Name: [empty]
- Email Address: [empty]
- Select Role *: Auditor (highlighted with a blue border)
- Group: audit (with a plus icon to add more groups)

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

4. Click Save.