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Preface

This preface explains how to use this guide. It contains the following topics:

- [Intended Audience](#)
- [Documentation Accessibility](#)
- [Related Documents](#)
- [Conventions](#)

Intended Audience

This manual is intended for system administrators responsible for user management, message management, and Plan monitoring in Oracle Business Activity Monitoring. Using the Administrator application, the system administrator manages roles and security levels, manages the Message Center, and monitors the Plans loading data into the Active Data Cache.

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- *Oracle Business Activity Monitoring Installation Guide*
- *Oracle Business Activity Monitoring Architect User's Guide*
- *Oracle Business Activity Monitoring Active Studio User's Guide*

Conventions

The following text conventions are used in this document:

Convention	Meaning
boldface	Boldface type indicates graphical user interface elements associated with an action, or terms defined in text or the glossary.
<i>italic</i>	Italic type indicates book titles, emphasis, or placeholder variables for which you supply particular values.
monospace	Monospace type indicates commands within a paragraph, URLs, code in examples, text that appears on the screen, or text that you enter.

What's New

This section contains information about the new features in release 10.1.3.1.0.

New Features for Release 10.1.3.1.0

Release 10.1.3.1.0 includes the following new features:

- **Sensor integration with BPEL**

You can create sensor actions in Oracle BPEL Process Manager to publish sensor data as data objects on an Oracle Business Activity Monitoring Server. See the *Oracle BPEL Process Manager Developer's Guide* for more information.

- **HTML calculations in List views**

You can add HTML tags to calculated fields in a report in order to add special formatting to the field. See the *Oracle Business Activity Monitoring Active Studio User's Guide* for more information.

- **National Language Support in Active Viewer**

Active Viewer will display the appropriate language and numeric formats that correspond with the system on which it is installed. See the *Oracle Business Activity Monitoring Installation Guide* for more information.

- **Streamlined install process**

Oracle Business Activity Monitoring just got easier to install. The InstallShield wizard guides you through each step and installs any dependencies needed on your host. See the *Oracle Business Activity Monitoring Installation Guide* for more information.

Getting Started

This chapter introduces the features and components of Oracle Business Activity Monitoring and it describes how to access the Administrator application.

This chapter contains the following topics:

- [Accessing Administrator](#)
- [Features and Components](#)

Accessing Administrator

Always use the start page to start Web applications. Do not start Web applications from a direct URL to the application. This ensures that caching works correctly. Also, do not use `localhost` in the URL instead of the host name.

To access Administrator:

1. In Microsoft Internet Explorer, go to `http://<host>:<http_port>/oraclebam`, where *host* is the name of the server where Oracle Business Activity Monitoring is installed.

The Start Page opens.

2. Click **Administrator**.

Administrator launches in a new browser window.

Features and Components

This section describes Oracle Business Activity Monitoring features and components.

Features

Oracle Business Activity Monitoring includes the following features:

Active Data Architecture. Oracle Business Activity Monitoring provides an active data architecture that dynamically moves real-time data to end users through every step of the process. This solution actively collects data, applies rules designed to monitor changes, and delivers the information in reports to users.

Real-time Reports. Real-time reports containing current data are delivered as soon as data changes occur. This is possible because of data in the Active Data Cache and the connections to real-time transactional feeds.

Active Presentations in Reports. Reports display active data presentations where data continuously updates, formats, and displays. When data changes, the display changes in real-time.

Instant Alerts. Alerts, based on rules and events occurring in real-time, are delivered through e-mail.

Rules-Based Active Delivery. In an event-driven solution, the information finds the target users instead of requiring users to query for the information on their own initiative. The reports are initially designed for delivery to end users based on data changing or events triggering. For the end user, the result is zero-click reporting that is always relevant.

High Performance, Scalable Architecture. Oracle Business Activity Monitoring is scalable to handle large amounts of complex, real-time enterprise data. Enterprise Link uses data flow technology to select the correct raw data and then transform and perform calculations required by the data designer. The transformed data is delivered to the Active Data Cache in a ready-to-use state for fast access.

Components

Oracle Business Activity Monitoring includes the following architectural components and applications:

Active Data Cache is designed and optimized to handle large amounts of data in a real-time solution. To make data readily accessible and deliverable, it maintains real-time views of the data. The data feed to the Active Data Cache is a combination of business data sources, from data warehouse information to transactional feeds and other enterprise sources. Enterprise Link sends this information to the Active Data Cache in a continuous stream as data changes occur.

Enterprise Link connects Oracle Business Activity Monitoring to real-time data with message queues and also to other information sources such as database servers, flat files, and XML sources.

Event Engine monitors complex data conditions and implements specified rules. Rules can include a series of conditions and actions attached to an event. The Event Engine continuously monitors the information in the Active Data Cache for certain conditions and executes the related actions defined in associated rules.

Report Engine applies the report definitions to the data sets retrieved from the Active Data Cache for presentation in a browser. It manages information paging for viewing and printing reports. After reports are created, they are stored in the Active Data Cache so that report creation is not repeated each time. Most reporting views are designed to support live, active displays of data changing in real-time.

Active Viewer is the thin user interface for viewing reports. Active Messenger is client-side notification software. When new information is available, the user receives an e-mail that contains a link to the information. The user clicks the link and the report is displayed in Active Viewer. Report formats include charts, lists, KPIs, crosstabs, spreadsheets, and more.

Active Studio is the thin user interface for the power user. Through Active Studio, the power user can create and edit reports. Reports can be shared with other users and rules can be created for determining the scheduling and delivery of the reports. Report types include charts, lists, KPIs, crosstabs, spreadsheets, and more.

Architect is the thin user interface for the data designer. Through Architect, the data designer creates and manages data objects in the Active Data Cache and manages real-time message processing.

Administrator is the thin user interface for the system administrator who is responsible for user management and overall server management. Using Administrator, the system administrator manages users and security levels, monitors loading to the Active Data Cache, and configures Oracle Business Activity Monitoring services.

Running Services

This chapter explains how to run the Oracle Business Activity Monitoring services.

This chapter contains the following topics:

- [About the Services](#)
- [Starting and Stopping the Services](#)

About the Services

Before accessing the Oracle Business Activity Monitoring applications, you must start the following services. Before starting the services, ensure that you start the database service running the Enterprise Link Repository.

Some services are dependent on others. The services must be started in the following order:

1. TNS Listener
2. Oracle Database Service
3. Oracle BAM Data Flow Service
4. Oracle BAM Active Data Cache Service
5. Oracle BAM Report Cache Service
6. Oracle BAM Event Engine Service
7. Oracle BAM Plan Monitor Service

Starting and Stopping the Services

This section explains how to start and stop the Oracle Business Activity Monitoring services.

You can start and stop the services in one of three ways:

- Use the icons provided in the Microsoft Windows Start menu. See "[Starting and Stopping Services Using the Start Menu Icons](#)" on page 2-2 for details.
- Use the command-line interface. See "[Starting and Stopping Services Using the Command-Line Interface](#)" on page 2-2 for details.
- Use the Services panel in the Microsoft Windows Administrative Tools to start and stop services individually.

Starting and Stopping Services Using the Start Menu Icons

Using the Start menu icons will ensure that the services are started in the proper order.

To start the services:

1. Click Start > All Programs > Oracle BAM > Start Oracle BAM.
A command window opens and displays the progress as each service starts.
2. Press a key to close the command window when all of the services are started.

To stop the services:

1. Click Start > All Programs > Oracle BAM > Stop Oracle BAM.
A command window opens prompting you to continue stopping the services.
2. Enter Y and press Enter.
The command window displays the progress as each service stops running.
3. Press a key to close the command window when all of the services are stopped.

Starting and Stopping Services Using the Command-Line Interface

Using the startOracleBAM.bat and stopOracleBAM.bat files will ensure that the services are started in the proper order.

To start the services:

1. Open a command-line window and change to the following directory:
`C:\OracleBAM\BAM`
2. Enter startOracleBAM and press Enter.
A command window opens and displays the progress as each service starts.
3. Press a key to exit the startOracleBAM command when all of the services are started.

To stop the services:

1. Open a command-line window and change to the following directory:
`C:\OracleBAM\BAM`
2. Enter stopOracleBAM and press Enter.
A prompt asks you to confirm that you want to stop the services.
3. Enter Y and press Enter.
The command window displays the progress as each service stop
4. Press a key exit the stopOracleBAM command when all of the services are stopped.

Managing User Accounts

This chapter explains user account management and assignment of report and alert ownership.

This chapter contains the following topics:

- [Creating User Accounts](#)
- [Editing User Accounts](#)
- [Reassigning Object Ownership](#)

Creating User Accounts

You must manually create Oracle Business Activity Monitoring user accounts in the Login Management page. Most user accounts are automatically added when they access the web applications based on their roles.

User accounts created with login names that are not currently a valid Windows login display in the Login management list with an exclamation mark icon to indicate that they are not valid. These users do not have access to the Oracle Business Activity Monitoring applications. This may be an indication that domain authentication is not accessible from the server. Otherwise these user accounts should be edited or deleted.

WARNING: User accounts are case sensitive and must match case exactly with the accounts in the domain server.

To create a user account:

1. Select **Login Management** from the list.
2. Click **Create**.
3. Enter the following information in the fields:
 - **Login Name.** User name using the format DOMAIN/username.
 - **Full Name.** The user's full name. A user must have both first and last name in order for alerts to work properly.
 - **Email Account.** Full email address. For example john.doe@domain.com
 - **Preferred Delivery Order.** Specify the user preferred delivery order for email. The syntax is: SMTP IIM where SMTP is email account and IIM is Active Messenger. Active Messenger is a deprecated feature and should be listed second.
4. Click **Create**.

Editing User Accounts

You can edit any of the values for a user account. For more information on syntax used in each field, see "[Creating User Accounts](#)" on page 3-1.

To edit a user account:

1. Select **Login Management** from the list.
2. Select a user account from the list.
3. Click **Edit**.
4. Edit any of the values in the fields.
5. Click **Save**.

Reassigning Object Ownership

Objects, such as reports and alerts, owned by a user can be assigned to another user. Before changing or deleting users, you might want to reassign reports and alerts owned by them to other users. This action assigns *all* objects associated with a user to another user.

To reassign object ownership:

1. Select **Login Management** from the list.
2. Select the user in the list that currently owns the objects you will reassign.
3. Click **Reassign Ownership**.
The **Select Names** dialog displays a list of users.
4. Select a user account in the list that will become the owner of the objects.
5. Click **OK**.

Reports are moved to a subfolder named after the user name.

Alerts are moved and a zero is added to the name if there is already an alert by the original name. If the alert needs an item updating or specifying, an exclamation mark displays on the alert icon.

The owner is changed for shared reports and folders.

Managing Roles

This chapter introduces the concept of roles and explains how to create them.

This chapter includes the following topics:

- [Understanding Roles](#)
- [Creating Roles](#)
- [Modifying Roles](#)

Understanding Roles

Roles are a logical group of users with a specific set of permissions. You can create custom roles for users. You can add users to roles by group names defined in your domain. By adding groups of users to roles, you define the level of user access. You can also add individual users to a role.

The default roles included with Administrator include:

Table 4–1 *Default Role Description*

Role	Description
Administrator	Has access to all features. This role cannot be deleted. The permissions for the Administrators role are selected and grayed out, and they cannot be modified.
Report Architect	Has access to features for creating data objects and reports.
Report Creator	Has access to features for creating reports.
Report Viewer	Has access to features for viewing reports.

Creating Roles

To create a role:

1. Select **Role management** from the Administrator function list.
2. Click **Create a new role**.
The role information page displays in the right frame.
3. Enter a **Role Name** and **Description**.
4. Select actions to include for this role by clicking the checkboxes of any of the following items:

Create Data Object. Can create data objects in Architect.

Active Viewer. Can use Active Viewer.

Active Studio. Can use Active Studio.

Architect. Can use Architect.

Administrator. Can use Administrator.

Create Report. Can create a report in Active Studio.

Create Alert Rule. Can create an alert in Active Studio or Architect.

Email Rendered Report. Can email a rendered (static) report page from Active Studio.

5. Select **Add User** or **Add Group** for adding a user or a group to the role.
6. Type a domain user or group name that you want to assign this role using the format DOMAIN\groupname.
7. Select **Add User** or **Add Group** if you want to add more than one user or group to the role. You can click **Remove** to delete a group field, but you cannot leave empty fields in the list.
8. Click **Create**.

Modifying Roles

You can modify any roles that you created and the default roles. You can change the permissions included in a role, and you can change the users or user groups assigned to a role.

To modify a role:

1. Select **Role management** from the list.
2. Select a role from the list.
The role information displays in the right frame.
3. Make changes to the role such as changing the name, the permitted actions, and the users or groups included.
4. Click **Save**.
5. Restart the Oracle Business Activity Monitoring services to make the changes effective immediately.

If you do not restart the Oracle Business Activity Monitoring services the changes to a role become effective 20 minutes after they are saved.

Configuring the Message Center

This chapter provides an overview of the Message Center and explains how to configure the settings.

This chapter contains the following topics:

- [Message Center Overview](#)
- [Configuring the Message Center](#)

Message Center Overview

The Message Center specifies the accounts to use when alerts and e-mails are sent to users. These accounts are specified during the initial installation and configuration of Oracle Business Activity Monitoring.

To view the current Message Center settings select Message Center Management from the drop down list.

[Table 5–1](#) describes the Collaboration Service settings shown in the Message Center Management screen.

Table 5–1 Collaboration Server Settings

Setting	Description
Server Name	Machine name or IP address that the Collaboration Service runs on. Localhost is the default setting.
Server Port	Port number of the Collaboration Service. 12345 is the default setting.

[Table 5–2](#) describes the Collaboration Service settings shown in the Message Center Management screen.

Table 5–2 SMTP Server Settings

Setting	Description
Server Name	Mail server machine name or IP address.
Email Account for Alerting	Email account on the mail server that will send the alerts.

Configuring the Message Center

The Message Center relies on accessing a user account in the domain for sending email alerts and a instant messenger account to send instant messages. You must configure the Message Center and related accounts to enable collaboration and alerting.

To configure the Message Center settings:

1. Select **Message Center Management** from the drop down list.
Some table cells are blank the first time you install the Oracle Business Activity Monitoring applications.
2. Click **Edit**.
3. Enter the mail server machine name or IP address in the **SMTP Server Name** field.
The mail server must have the capabilities to send email to other SMTP servers that Active Viewer users specify in their personal settings.
4. Enter an email account including the domain used by the Oracle BAM service in the **Email Account for Alerting** field. This is the account that will appear in the From header of e-mailed alerts.
5. Click **Save** to save your changes.
6. Restart the Oracle BAM Event Service to make the changes effective.

Managing Distribution Lists

This chapter explains how to manage distribution lists.

This chapter contains the following topics:

- [Creating Distribution Lists](#)
- [Editing Distribution Lists](#)
- [Deleting Distribution Lists](#)

Creating Distribution Lists

The distribution list is used to send reports or alerts to groups of users instead of specifying many individuals at the report and alert level.

To create a distribution list:

1. Select **Distribution List management** from the drop down list.
2. Click **Create**.
3. Enter a unique **Distribution List Name** and click **Create**.
4. Select the new distribution list that displays in the list.
5. Click **Edit**.
6. Select user accounts to add to the distribution list from the **Select Members** list.
7. Click **Save**.

The users are added to the distribution list.

Editing Distribution Lists

You can edit a distribution list to change its name and to add and remove users.

To edit a distribution list:

1. Select **Distribution List management** from the list.
2. Click **Edit**.
3. Make changes to the distribution list by selecting or deselecting users. You can also edit the list name.
4. Click **Save**.

Deleting Distribution Lists

You can delete distribution lists, although alert rules can be disabled if they specify a distribution list that you deleted.

To delete a distribution list:

1. Select **Distribution List management** from the drop down list.
2. Select the distribution list name in the list.
The distribution list information displays in the right frame.
3. Click **Delete**.
4. Click **OK** to confirm that you want to delete the distribution list.

Managing Enterprise Message Source Types

This chapter explains how to manage Enterprise Message Source Types.

This chapter contains the following topics:

- [Creating Enterprise Message Source Types](#)
- [Editing Enterprise Message Source Types](#)
- [Deleting Enterprise Message Source Types](#)

Creating Enterprise Message Source Types

Note: This feature is used by Oracle Professional Services only. To define Enterprise Message Sources, use the Architect application.

You can add other enterprise message source types to the ones already provided. Any message types that use Java Message Service (JMS) are supported. In most cases, you will not need to use this page or add new enterprise message source types. Enterprise Message Sources are created and specified in Architect based on the types defined in Administrator.

To create a custom enterprise message source type:

1. Select **Manage Enterprise Message Source Types** from the drop down list.
2. Click **Create**.
3. Enter the following information:
 - Display name
 - ID
 - CLSID of Admin implementation
 - CLSID of Receiver implementation
 - Startup parameters
4. Click **Create**.

Editing Enterprise Message Source Types

When you edit the class paths in the Startup parameters field for an Enterprise Message Source Type, you have to ensure that the Java JVM is restarted or the changes are not detected. To do so, restart all of the Oracle Business Activity Monitoring

services. This does not apply to MSMQ and File System Enterprise Message Source Types.

To edit an existing enterprise message source type:

1. Select **Manage Enterprise Message Source Types** from the list.
2. Select the enterprise message source type from the list.
The message source type information displays in the right frame.
3. Click **Edit**.
4. Make changes to the information.
5. Click **Update**.

Deleting Enterprise Message Source Types

If you create a custom enterprise message source type, you can also delete it.

Note: Do not delete the message source types provided by Oracle Business Activity Monitoring.

To delete an enterprise message source type:

1. Select **Manage Enterprise Message Source Types** from the list.
2. Click the enterprise message source type in the list.
The message source type information displays in the right frame.
3. Click **Delete**.

Managing External Data Source Types

This chapter explains how to manage external data source types.

This chapter contains the following topics:

- [Creating External Data Source Types](#)
- [Editing External Data Source Types](#)
- [Deleting External Data Source Types](#)

Creating External Data Source Types

Note: This feature is used by Oracle Professional Services only. To define External Data Sources, use the Architect application.

You can add other external data source types to the ones already provided. In most cases, you will not need to use this page or add new external data source types. External data sources are created and specified in Architect based on the types defined in Administrator.

To create a custom external data source type:

1. Select **Manage External Data Source Types** from the list.
2. Click **Create**.
3. Enter the following information:
 - **Name.** A unique name
 - **ID.** Generated by the system
 - **Admin Windows Assembly information.**
 - **Data Retrieval Windows Assembly information.**
 - **Admin Java class information.**
 - **Data Retrieval Java class information.**
4. Click **Create**.

Editing External Data Source Types

To edit an existing external data source type:

1. Select **Manage External Data Source Types** from the list.

2. Click the external data source type in the list.
The data source type information displays in the right frame.
3. Click **Edit**.
4. Make changes to the information.
5. Click **Update**.

Deleting External Data Source Types

If you create a custom external data source type, you can also delete it.

Note: Do not delete the message source types provided by Oracle Business Activity Monitoring.

To delete an external data source type:

1. Select **Manage External Data Source Types** from the list.
2. Click the external data source type in the list.
The data source type information displays in the right frame.
3. Click **Delete**.

Managing Plan Monitors

This chapter describes the tools you can use to keep track of Plan Monitors.

This chapter contains the following topics:

- [Introducing Plan Monitors](#)
- [Viewing the Plan Monitor Service Status](#)
- [Viewing the Status of Monitored Plans](#)
- [Changing Plan Settings](#)
- [Viewing the Data Flow Service Status](#)
- [Stopping a Running Plan](#)
- [Requesting Plan Settings Checks](#)
- [Viewing the Plan Monitor Journal](#)
- [Creating Alerts for Plan Monitors](#)

Introducing Plan Monitors

Using Plan Monitors, you can monitor Plans that you created in Design Studio. In Administrator, you can view the status of monitored Plans, view information about the Data Flow Service that runs the monitored Plans, and stop Plans that are running.

You can also view the status of the Plan Monitor Service. This shows how many Plans the Plan Monitor Service is monitoring and how many monitored Plans are currently running. This information is saved in a system data object named Plan Monitor Service Status.

You can install multiple Plan Monitors for implementations that run large numbers of Plans. For more information see the Oracle Business Activity Monitoring Installation Guide.

Before running the Plan Monitor Service, you must start the following services:

- Oracle BAM Data Flow Service
- Oracle BAM Active Data Cache
- Database service containing the Enterprise Link Repository

If you start or restart the Data Flow Service, you must go to Control Panel > Services and restart the Oracle BAM Plan Monitor Service.

Viewing the Plan Monitor Service Status

To view the Plan Monitor status:

1. Select **Plan Monitor** from the list.
2. You can view the Plan Monitor Status information as described in [Table 9-1](#).
3. Click **Refresh status display** to update the display after changes occur.

Table 9-1 Plan Monitor Status Information

Item	Description
Time of last status change	The time the Plan Monitor status changed.
Status	Status of the Plan Monitor can be Starting, Stopping, Sleeping, Working, Stopped.
Message	Lists number of Plans monitored and number of monitored Plans running.

Viewing the Status of Monitored Plans

You can view the status of monitored Plans. This information is saved in a system data object named Plan Monitor Plan Status.

To view Plan status:

1. Select **Plan Monitor** from the list.
2. Click **Status of monitored Plans**.

The Plan Status window opens. [Table 9-2](#) describes the Plan status information displayed on the screen.

Table 9-2 Plan Status

Item	Description
Last status change	Time of last status change
Plan name	Plan name
Current Status	Most recent results of monitoring the Plan, such as New, Running, StartFailed, RestartFailed, Failed, Completed, AwaitingRestart, StopRequested, StopFailed.
DFS Request ID	Identifies the current running of the Plan. Use this number in the Data Flow Service Status page to stop a Plan from running.
Restarts after completion	The number of times the Plan has restarted by the Plan Monitor after completion.
Restarts after failure	The number of times the Plan has been restarted by the Plan Monitor after failure.
Message	Displays a status message or error message related to latest event.

Changing Plan Settings

You can select Plans to be monitored in the Plan settings windows. After you enable Plan monitoring for a specific Plan, you can select other options such as the action to take after a Plan completes or fails.

To enable Plan Monitoring for a specific Plan:

1. Select **Plan Monitor** from the list.
2. Click **Plan settings**.
The Plan Settings window displays.
3. Next to a Plan name, click the **Mon** check box to turn on monitoring for that Plan.
4. In the Completion Action column, select an action such as **Always restart on completion**, **Do not restart on completion**, **Limit restart on completion to X times, maximum**.
5. In the Failure Action column, select an action such as **Always restart on failure**, **Do not restart on failure**, **Limit restart on failure to X times, maximum**.
6. In the Max Restart Frequency column, select either **No limit on frequency** or **Limit frequency to no more than once every X minutes**.

This setting does not give you control over the plan execution frequency. There is no way to do this from a Plan Monitor level because you cannot predict how long the Data Flow Service needs to run the Plan (based on plan structure and Data Flow Service resource usage, and so on). However, you can create alerts in Architect or Active Studio to run a plan every x minutes. This will start a new instance of a Plan, which means there could be more than one instance of a Plan running if their execution times are longer than their alert trigger times.

7. In the Monitor Service column, select the name of the Plan Monitor service you want this Plan to use. This is useful in the case of multiple Plan monitors.
8. Click **Save Changes** and close the window.

Viewing the Data Flow Service Status

You can view the status and connection information about the Data Flow Service. You cannot edit Data Flow Service configuration from Administrator.

To view the Data Flow Service status:

1. Select **Plan Monitor** from the list.
2. Select **Data Flow Service status**.

The Data Flow Service Status window displays.

Table 9–3 Data Flow Service Status Information

Item	Description
Client Sessions	The users connected, including the Plan Monitor Service.
Executions	Lists the manual and monitored Plans that have been run or are currently running.
Cached Result	Each entry shows the Plan that was run, the Plan ID, and the status of running the Plan.

Stopping a Running Plan

You can stop a Plan that is running. You must identify the Plan that you want to stop by its Request ID. You locate the Request ID if the Plan has recently run by viewing the information in the Data Flow Service status window, the Plan Monitor Journal window, or the Status of Monitored Plans window.

To stop a running Plan:

1. Select **Plan Monitor** from the list.
2. Click **Data Flow Service status**.
3. Click **Request that a running Plan be stopped**.
A dialog displays.
4. Enter the Request ID for the Plan, and click **OK**. For example, {E57092EB-0799-4A2C-A321-AC20A7BA2DC0} including the curly brackets.
A message displays in the Data Flow Service status window that a stop has been requested. To confirm that the Plan stopped, check the Data Flow Service Status window. If it is a monitored Plan, you can also view the Plan Monitor Journal or the Status of Monitored Plans.

Requesting Plan Settings Checks

You can request a Plan settings check to check for new settings. Depending on the number of Plans in the system, Plan settings check may take several minutes.

To request a Plan settings check:

1. Select **Plan Monitor** from the list.
2. Click **Request Plan settings check**.
A confirmation window displays.
3. Click **Close** to close the window.

Viewing the Plan Monitor Journal

You can open the Plan Monitor journal to view summary information on Plans, such as when they were run and if they failed or completed without errors. When Plans fail, the error text is displayed in the Plan Monitor journal. The Plan Monitor journal also records the status changes of the Plan Monitor Service, such as starting, stopping, and errors. This information is saved in a system data object named Plan Monitor Journal.

To view the Plan Monitor journal:

1. Select **Plan Monitor** from the list.
2. Select **Plan Monitor Journal**.

The Plan Monitor Journal window displays. [Table 9-4](#) describes the information displayed in the Plan Monitor Journal.

Table 9-4 Plan Monitor Journal Information

Item	Description
Event Time	The time the event occurred.
Event Code	The code that describes the event type, such as Normal, Error, PlanStartFailed, PlanRestartFailed, PlanStarted, PlanRestarted, PlanFailed, PlanCompleted, PlanRestartMax, PlanStopFailed, PlanStopRequested.
Event Text	Status message or error message information.

Creating Alerts for Plan Monitors

You can create Alerts against the system data objects for Plan Monitor which are very useful because they immediately notify you of a plan failure or Plan Monitor service failure and you can take action right away. This is very useful with real time plans where the plans must always be running. Otherwise, there is no visibility to these occurrences, other than the administrator periodically checking the statuses of Plan Monitor in Administrator. For more information about configuring Alerts see the *Oracle Business Activity Monitoring Architect User's Guide* or the *Oracle Business Activity Monitoring Active Studio User's Guide*.

Glossary

action

Includes all of the things you can do with reports, folders, and alerts. Examples of actions include creating, viewing and editing reports and alerts.

Active Data Cache (ADC)

The Active Data Cache is designed and optimized to handle large amounts of data in a real-time solution. To make data readily accessible and deliverable, it keeps data persistent in memory. The data feed to the Active Data Cache is a combination of business data sources, from data warehouse information to transactional feeds and other enterprise sources.

Active Studio

Active Studio is the thin user interface for the power user. Using Active Studio, the power user can create and edit reports. Reports can be shared with other users and rules can be created for determining the scheduling and delivery of the reports. Report types include columnar reports, crosstabs, KPIs, charts, spreadsheets, and more.

Active Viewer

Active Viewer is the thin user interface for the business user. When new information is available, the user receives an instant message that contains a link to the information. The user opens Active Viewer through this link and a report is displayed. The Pro version includes dynamic group collaboration using pen annotation.

Administrator

Administrator is the thin user interface for the system administrator who is responsible for user management and overall server management. Using Administrator, the system administrator manages users and security levels, monitors loading to the Active Data Cache, and configures Oracle Business Activity Monitoring services.

alert

Based on rules and events occurring in real-time, alerts are delivered through instant messaging technology. Alerts can be created in Active Studio and Architect.

Architect

Architect is the thin user interface for the data designer. Using Architect, the data designer creates and manages data objects in the Active Data Cache and manages real-time message processing.

crosstab

A Crosstab view is a spreadsheet format that combines rows and columns to display a multi-dimensional view of values. A Crosstab is summarized vertically and horizontally for a column or row that is added. Summary function that you can add to Crosstabs include sum, average, count, minimum (min) or maximum (max).

Data Flow Service

Runs Plans and retrieves Plan information from data sources.

data flow

The graphical display of the steps in a Plan viewed in the Data Flow Editor. A complete data flow includes at least one data source and at least one sink.

data object

Contains the information set to display in each view of a report. Data objects are created and maintained through Architect in the ADC.

distribution list

The system administrator can create distribution lists of users which are used to send reports or alerts to groups of users.

Enterprise Link

Enterprise Link connects Oracle Business Activity Monitoring to other information sources such as database servers, flat files, and XML sources. By integrating with middle ware applications to create connections to enterprise application message queues, Enterprise Link deciphers the significant messages and filters out unwanted information.

enterprise message source

Providers of the real-time information flowing through the enterprise to the ADC. Each enterprise message source connects to a specific message queue and the information is delivered into a data object in the ADC.

folder permissions

Report designers can choose how to share reports contained in the folder with other Active Studio users by assigning folder-level permissions. Folder permissions include View, Create, and Delete.

Home tab

The starting point for viewing recent and new reports in Active Studio.

KPI

Graphical key performance indicators such as an arrow to indicate whether a stock symbol's value went up or down.

Message Center

Tracks the presence of users so that reports and alerts are reliably received. Messages and reports are delivered using e-mail.

My Reports tab

You can view and edit reports you create and own on the My Reports tab in Active Studio.

Plan

Contain steps called Transforms that are linked together to create powerful data flows through Enterprise Link Design Studio. Plans contain instructions for locating data sources, data manipulation, and data loading to the ADC.

report

Display real-time or point-in-time information in multiple views such as lists, columnar reports, charts, key performance indicators (KPIs), crosstabs, or spreadsheets. Report designers can add formatting and data modifiers including filtering, sorting, calculations, grouping, and summaries.

role

A set of permissions that can be assigned to a domain group through Administrator. By adding groups of users to roles, the system administrator defines the level of user access to Oracle Business Activity Monitoring applications and items.

Shared Reports tab

You can view reports that other users shared with you on the Shared Reports tab in Active Studio. You have access to view these reports, but because you might not have Create or Delete permissions for them, you cannot always edit and delete them.

Transform

The building blocks of a Plan. Each Transform performs specialized operations and functions as either a source, data manipulation, data flow control, or sink Transform.

user

Login accounts that have access to Oracle Business Activity Monitoring applications and items. Users are managed through Administrator.

view

A report can contain a single view or multiple tiled views. View types include lists, columnar reports, charts, key performance indicators (KPIs), crosstabs, or spreadsheets.

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