

Qualys Patch Management

Release Notes

Version 2.6

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What's New

Here's what's new in Patch Management 2.6!

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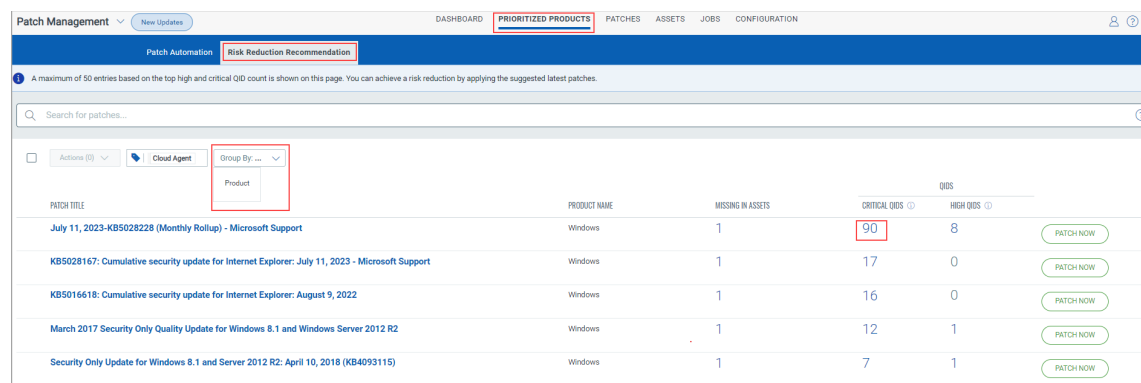
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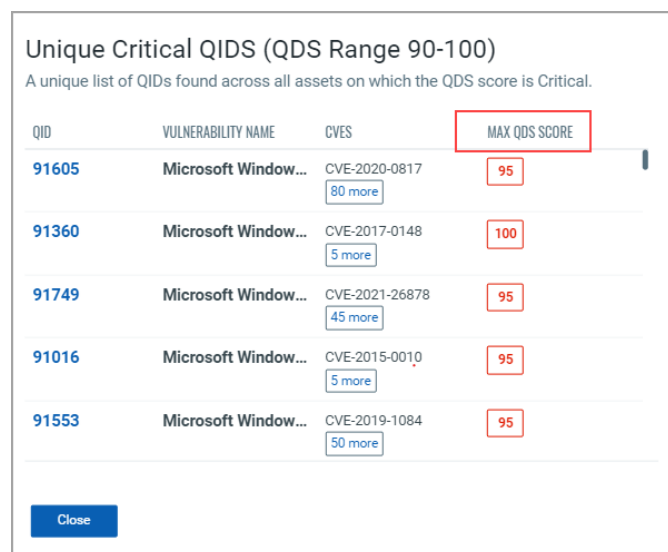
Risk Reduction Recommendation - Patch Prioritization with Group By Product

The **Group By** option is added on the **Prioritized Products > Risk Reduction Recommendation** tab. Using the **Group By** option, you can filter the latest recommended patches based on the product name and get visibility to corresponding critical and high QIDs product-wise.



PATCH TITLE	PRODUCT NAME	MISSING IN ASSETS	QIDS		
			CRITICAL QIDS	HIGH QIDS	
July 11, 2023-KB5028228 (Monthly Rollup) - Microsoft Support	Windows	1	90	8	PATCH NOW
KB5028167: Cumulative security update for Internet Explorer: July 11, 2023 - Microsoft Support	Windows	1	17	0	PATCH NOW
KB5016618: Cumulative security update for Internet Explorer: August 9, 2022	Windows	1	16	0	PATCH NOW
March 2017 Security Only Quality Update for Windows 8.1 and Windows Server 2012 R2	Windows	1	12	1	PATCH NOW
Security Only Update for Windows 8.1 and Server 2012 R2: April 10, 2018 (KB4093115)	Windows	1	7	1	PATCH NOW

When you click the count from the **CRITICAL QIDS** or **HIGH QIDS** column, you can see the **MAX QDS SCORE** column in the pop-up. The Max QDS Score is the score found for assets where the listed QIDs are missing.



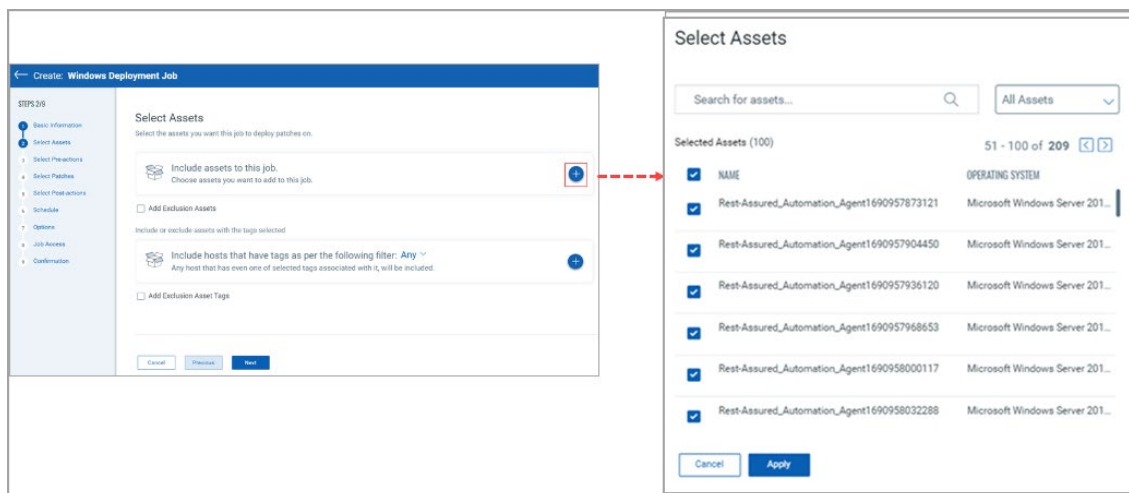
QID	VULNERABILITY NAME	CVEs	MAX QDS SCORE
91605	Microsoft Window...	CVE-2020-0817 80 more	95
91360	Microsoft Window...	CVE-2017-0148 5 more	100
91749	Microsoft Window...	CVE-2021-26878 45 more	95
91016	Microsoft Window...	CVE-2015-0010 5 more	95
91553	Microsoft Window...	CVE-2019-1084 50 more	95

By using the **Patch Now** option, you can mitigate the vulnerabilities. When you click the **Patch Now** option, a QQL-based new job is created.


Manual Asset Addition to Jobs - Limit Increased from 50 to 100

Before the Patch Management 2.6.0.0 release, you could manually add up to a maximum of 50 assets in a deployment job. With this release, this limit is increased. As a result, you can manually add up to 100 assets in a deployment job. This applies to Windows, Linux, and Mac jobs.

Note: This is applicable to the “Include Assets to this job” option.



Report Generation - Support for Mac Patches

Like Windows and Linux, you can now generate the Mac Patches Report. To generate the Mac Patches report, navigate to the **Patches > Mac** tab and click the **Download**  icon. The report is generated in the CSV format. Go to the “Report Download Request Status” page, and when the report status is “Ready”, you can download the report.

Patch Management New Updates										
DASHBOARD PRIORITIZED PRODUCTS PATCHES ASSETS JOBS CONFIGURATION										
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PATCH TITLE	PUBLISHED DATE	ARCHIT	NOTIFICATION / KB	CATEGORY	ASSOCIATED QIDS	VENDOR SEVERITY		MISSING	INSTALLED	
vlc-3.0.19.dmg	Oct 14, 2023	x86_64...	VLC-231014	Security	378905 7 more	Important		1	0	
zoom5.16.2.23409_x64.pkg	Oct 2, 2023	x86_64...	ZOOMMAC-231...	Non-Security	378782 2 more	None		1	0	
Safari17Ventura.pkg	Sep 26, 2023	x86_64...	HT213941	Security	378877 1 more	Critical		1	0	
macOS13.6_SoftwareUpdate.pkg	Sep 21, 2023	x86_64...	HT213931	Security	376608 48 more	Critical		1	0	

Enable Vendor-Acquired Patch for On-demand Jobs

The Vendor-Acquired patch enablement is now supported for the on-demand jobs as well.

Note: The required cloud agent version for vendor-acquired patch enablement for on-demand jobs is 5.2 and above. For more information, see [Enable Vendor Acquired Windows Patch](#).

Issues Addressed

- Fixed various issues related to email notifications:
 - o Though the patch jobs were executed as scheduled, the email notifications customers received for job start and completion were inconsistent with the job schedule.
 - o Sometimes, for the scheduled jobs, irregular email notifications were sent in some cases; for example, multiple email notifications were sent for the same job.
 - o Sometimes, the customer did not receive the email notification for the job start or job completion.
- Fixed the issue with adding or removing tags from the Assessment Profile.
- Some customers encountered the "FileHasValidationFailed" issue. This issue was due to some old, unsupported patches. We have now purged such patches to fix this issue.