

# Troubleshoot Unusual Process States in SWA

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## Introduction

This document describes Process Status and how to use this to troubleshoot Secure Web Appliance (SWA), performance issue.

## Prerequisites

## Requirements

Cisco recommends that you have knowledge of these topics:

- Physical or Virtual SWA Installed.
- License activated or installed.
- Secure Shell (SSH) Client.
- The setup wizard is completed.
  
- Administrative Access to the SWA.

## Components Used

This document is not restricted to specific software and hardware versions.

The information in this document was created from the devices in a specific lab environment. All of the devices used in this document started with a cleared (default) configuration. If your network is live, ensure that you understand the potential impact of any command.

## Monitor Process Status

You can monitor process Status from Graphical User Interface (GUI) or from Command Line Interface (CLI).

## **View Process Status from GUI**

To view process statistics in **GUI**, navigate to **Reporting** and choose **System Capacity**. You can select **Time Range** to view the resource allocation for desired time stamp.

# System-Capacity

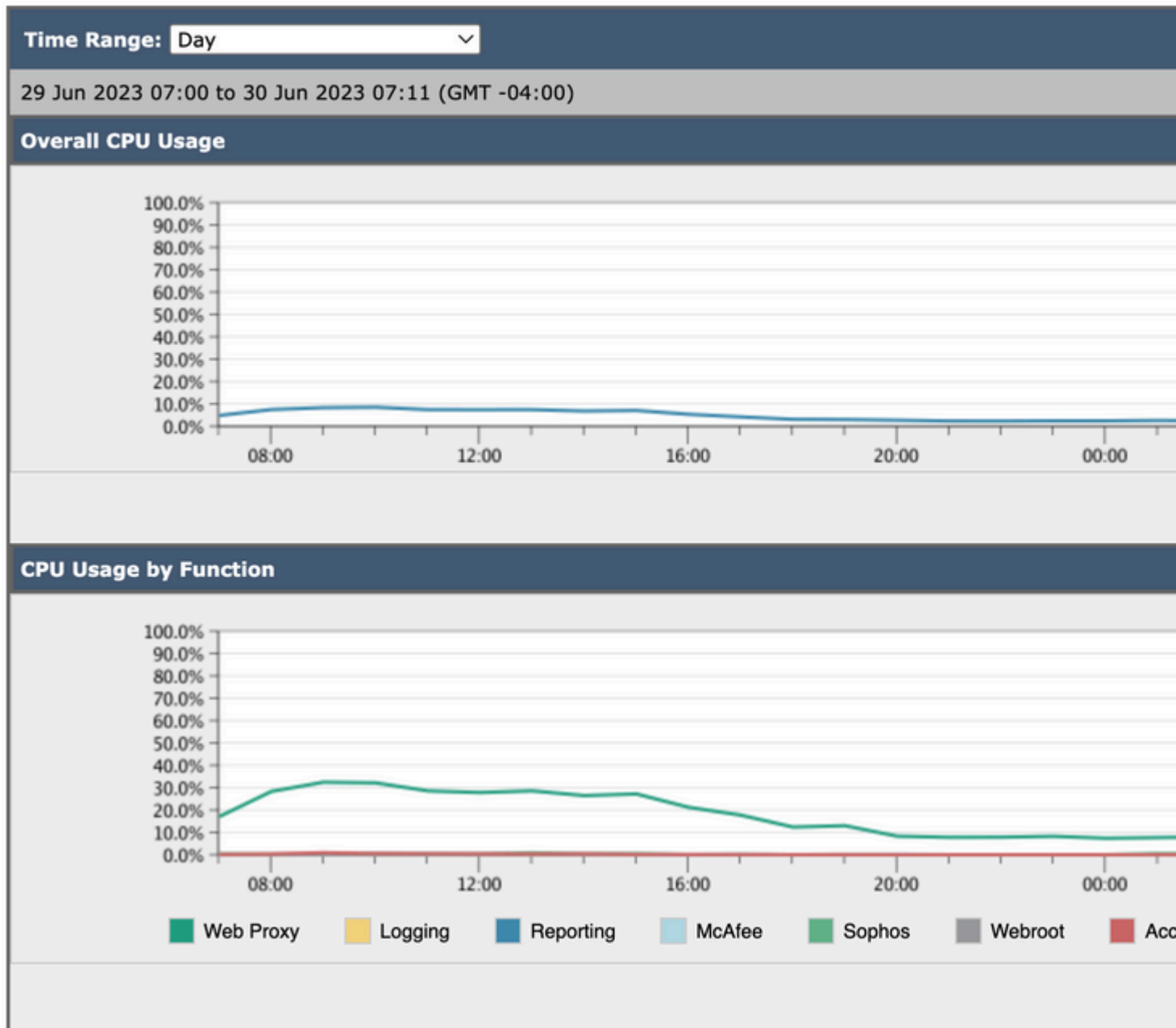


Image-System-Capacity

**Overall CPU Usage:** Shows Total CPU usage

**CPU Usage by Function:** Shows each sub process, CPU allocation.

**Proxy Buffer Memory:** Shows the Memory allocation for Proxy Process.

**Note:** Proxy Buffer Memory is not total Memory Usage of SWA.

## CLI Commands

There are multiple CLI commands which shows the main CPU load or sub process status:

**status**

From the output of **status** or **status**

CLI command, shows the proxy process load, which is a sub process which is the main process in SWA. This command refresh automatically every 15 seconds.

```
SWA_CLI> rate
```

Press Ctrl-C to stop.

%proxy	reqs				client	server	%bw	disk	disk
CPU	/sec	hits	blocks	misses	kb/sec	kb/sec	saved	wrs	rds
8.00	116	0	237	928	3801	3794	0.2	6	0
7.00	110	0	169	932	4293	4287	0.1	2	0

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**Note:** "proxystat" is another CLI command which has the same output as "rate" command

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## shd\_logs

You can view main process status such as Proxy process status, Reporting Process status, and so on, from SHD\_Logs. For more information about SHD logs please visit this link:

<https://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/support/docs/security/secure-web-appliance/220446-troubleshoot-secure-web-appliance-perfor.html>

Here is a sample of shd\_logs output:

```
Sat Jun 24 06:30:29 2023 Info: Status: CPULd 2.9 DskUtil 14.4 RAMUtil 9.8 Reqs 112 Band 22081 Latency 47
```

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**Note:** you can access shd\_logs from **grep** or **tail** CLI command.

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## process\_status

To view Process Status, in versions 14.5 and above, SWA has a new command: process\_status which gets process details of SWA.

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**Note:** This command is available only in admin mode.

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```
SWA_CLI> process_status
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USER	PID	%CPU	%MEM	VSZ	RSS	TT	STAT	STARTED	TIME	COMMAND
root	11	4716.6	0.0	0	768	-	RNL	5May23	3258259:51.69	idle
root	53776	13.0	4.7	6711996	3142700	-	S	14:11	220:18.17	prox
admin	15664	8.0	0.2	123404	104632	0	S+	06:23	0:01.49	cli
admin	28302	8.0	0.2	123404	104300	0	S+	06:23	0:00.00	cli
root	12	4.0	0.0	0	1856	-	WL	5May23	7443:13.37	intr
root	54259	4.0	4.7	6671804	3167844	-	S	14:11	132:20.14	prox
root	91401	4.0	0.2	154524	127156	-	S	5May23	1322:35.88	counterd

root	54226	3.0	4.5	6616892	2997176	-	S	14:11	99:19.79	prox
root	2967	2.0	0.1	100292	80288	-	S	5May23	486:49.36	interface_controlle
root	81330	2.0	0.2	154524	127240	-	S	5May23	1322:28.73	counterd
root	16	1.0	0.0	0	16	-	DL	5May23	9180:31.03	ipmi0: kcs
root	79941	1.0	0.2	156572	103984	-	S	5May23	1844:37.60	counterd
root	80739	1.0	0.1	148380	94416	-	S	5May23	1026:01.89	counterd
root	92676	1.0	0.2	237948	124040	-	S	5May23	2785:37.16	wbnpd
root	0	0.0	0.0	0	1808	-	DLs	5May23	96:10.66	kernel
root	1	0.0	0.0	5428	304	-	SLs	5May23	0:09.44	init
root	2	0.0	0.0	0	16	-	DL	5May23	0:00.00	crypto
root	3	0.0	0.0	0	16	-	DL	5May23	0:00.00	crypto returns
root	4	0.0	0.0	0	160	-	DL	5May23	62:51.56	cam
root	5	0.0	0.0	0	16	-	DL	5May23	0:16.47	mrsas_ocr0
root	6	0.0	0.0	0	16	-	DL	5May23	0:00.52	soaiod1
root	7	0.0	0.0	0	16	-	DL	5May23	0:00.52	soaiod2
root	8	0.0	0.0	0	16	-	DL	5May23	0:00.52	soaiod3
root	9	0.0	0.0	0	16	-	DL	5May23	0:00.52	soaiod4

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**Note:** The CPU utilization of the process; this is a decaying average over up to a minute of previous (real) time. Since the time base over which this is computed varies (since processes could be very young) it is possible for the sum of all %CPU fields to exceed 100%.

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**%MEM :** The percentage of real memory used by this process

**VSZ :** Virtual size in Kbytes (alias vsize)

**RSS :** The real memory (resident set) size of the process (in 1024 byte units).

**TT :** An abbreviation for the path name of the controlling terminal, if any.

## STAT

The stat is given by a sequence of characters, for example, "**RNL**". The first character indicates the run state of the process:

**D :** Marks a process in disk (or other short term, uninter- ruptible) wait.

**I :** Marks a process that is idle (sleeping for longer than about 20 seconds).

**L :** Marks a process that is waiting to acquire a lock.

**R :** Marks a runnable process.

**S :** Marks a process that is sleeping for less than about 20 seconds.

**T :** Marks a stopped process.

**W :** Marks an idle interrupt thread.

**Z :** Marks a dead process (a "zombie").

Additional characters after these, if any, indicate additional state information:

**+ :** The process is in the foreground process group of its control terminal.

**<** : The process has raised CPU scheduling priority.

**C** : The process is in capsicum(4) capability mode.

**E** : The process is trying to exit. **J** Marks a process which is in jail(2).

**L** : The process has pages locked in core (for example, for raw I/O).

**N** : The process has reduced CPU scheduling priority.

**s** : The process is a session leader.

**V** : The process' parent is suspended during a vfork(2), waiting for the process to exec or exit.

**W** : The process is swapped out.

**X** : The process is being traced or debugged.

**TIME** : Accumulated CPU time, user + system

## Restart Process in SWA

### General Process

You can restart SWA services and process from CLI, here are the steps:

**Step 1.** log in to CLI

**Step 2.** Type diagnostic

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**Note:** **diagnostic** is CLI hidden command, so you can not auto-fill the command with TAB.

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**Step 3.** Choose Services

**Step 4.** Choose the Service/ Process which you want to restart.

**Step 5.** Choose Restart

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**Tip:** You can view the status of the process from STATUS section.

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In this example the WEBUI process which is responsible for GUI has been restarted:

```
SWA_CLI> diagnostic
```

Choose the operation you want to perform:

- NET - Network Diagnostic Utility.
  - PROXY - Proxy Debugging Utility.
  - REPORTING - Reporting Utilities.
  - SERVICES - Service Utilities.
- ```
[> SERVICES
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Choose one of the following services:

- AMP - Secure Endpoint
- AVC - AVC
- ADC - ADC
- DCA - DCA
- WBRS - WBRS
- EXTFEED - ExtFeed
- L4TM - L4TM
- ANTIVIRUS - Anti-Virus xiServices
- AUTHENTICATION - Authentication Services
- MANAGEMENT - Appliance Management Services
- REPORTING - Reporting Associated services
- MISCSERVICES - Miscellaneous Service
- OSCP - OSCP
- UPDATER - UPDATER
- SICAP - SICAP
- SNMP - SNMP
- SNTP - SNTP
- VMSERVICE - VM Services
- WEBUI - Web GUI
- SMART\_LICENSE - Smart Licensing Agent
- WCCP - WCCP

[> WEBUI

Choose the operation you want to perform:

- RESTART - Restart the service
- STATUS - View status of the service

[> RESTART

gui is restarting.

## Restart Proxy Process

To restart Proxy process which is the main process for proxy, you can use CLI, here are the steps:

**Step 1.** log in to CLI

**Step 2.** Type diagnostic

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**Note: diagnostic** is CLI hidden command, so you can not auto-fill the command with TAB.

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**Step 3.** Choose PROXY

**Step 4.** Type KICK, (it is a hidden command ).

**Step 5.** Choose Y for yes.

SWA\_CLI>diagnostic

Choose the operation you want to perform:

- NET - Network Diagnostic Utility.
- PROXY - Proxy Debugging Utility.
- REPORTING - Reporting Utilities.
- SERVICES - Service Utilities.

[> PROXY

Choose the operation you want to perform:

- SNAP - Take a snapshot of the proxy
  - OFFLINE - Take the proxy offline (via WCCP)
  - RESUME - Resume proxy traffic (via WCCP)
  - CACHE - Clear proxy cache
  - MALLOCSTATS - Detailed malloc stats in the next entry of the track stat log
  - PROXYSCANNERMAP - Show mapping between proxy and corresponding scanners
- [ ]> KICK

Kick the proxy?

Are you sure you want to proceed? [N]> Y

## Related Information

- [User Guide for AsyncOS 15.0 for Cisco Secure Web Appliance - LD \(Limited Deployment\) - Troubleshooting \[Cisco Secure Web Appliance\] - Cisco](#)
- [Use Secure Web Appliance Best Practices - Cisco](#)
- [ps\(1\) \(freebsd.org\)](#)