

What should I monitor on a vCenter server

The following approach is generally recommended for monitoring the health of your vCenter servers:

- Install an agent on the vCenter server to monitor its overall performance and system health.
- Use the Windows Service Check monitor to verify that the following services are running:
 - VMware Infrastructure Web Access;
 - VMware License Server (if it is running on the target vC install);
 - VMware VirtualCenter Server.
- Use the HTTP monitor to ensure that the /ui/ page is responding to web requests on the vCenter Server.
- Monitor the following on the vCenter MSSQL/Oracle DB server:
 - tablespace capacity;
 - connectivity using the basic monitor for the appropriate DB type;
 - system application event logs for error level events.
- Monitor the file system capacity of the volumes hosting the vCenter application and database files.
- Monitor the application event log of the vCenter server, specifically searching for Error events within the VMware VirtualCenter Server source.