



BMC Performance Perceiver for Servers

Enhance decision-making capabilities through direct, dynamic access to relevant performance data

BMC Performance Perceiver:

- > Provides easy access and export of performance and capacity management data as a dynamic consumer Web server
- > Improves communication and collaboration among IT managers, business application owners, performance staff, and other users in need of performance and capacity management data
- > Reduces the cycle time it takes to receive value from performance and capacity management data
- > Renews analyst focus on high-value activities to deliver service more cost effectively
- > Increases usability of and satisfaction with performance and capacity management
- > Installs out-of-the-box with intuitive interface, eliminating need for training and for end-user access to an expert console
- > Improves ROI from other BMC Performance Assurance solutions, by extending benefits to a greater number of users

BMC® Performance Perceiver for Servers is part of the BMC® Performance Assurance® Suite for Servers, which allows users to accurately measure, manage, and improve system and application performance.

Companies invest in enterprise applications and infrastructure for one purpose: to deliver service to end users. Advancements in technology and increasingly complex and diverse information systems challenge the IT staff to efficiently manage the resource requirements of all IT business users. As infrastructures grow, performance analysts are asked to manage more systems with fewer resources, while reducing system costs. As they do so, they need to communicate the impact of business decisions and tradeoffs that may be made to deliver those services.

One of the first tasks is to make performance data accessible to other organizations. To do so, performance analysts must produce and distribute low-level utilization graphs, often to numerous users. This forces IT to focus on the lesser-value tasks of data collection, administration, and Web publishing, instead of capitalizing on higher-value performance and capacity management activities that help maximize ROI.

Dynamic Consumer Web Server

BMC® Performance Perceiver is a dynamic consumer Web server that provides easy access and export of BMC Performance Assurance data. BMC Performance Perceiver provides a useful view of current performance information, and seamlessly layers with other products in the BMC Performance Assurance Suite (BMC Performance Analyzer for Servers, BMC Performance Predictor for Servers, and BMC Performance Assurance Suite for Virtual Servers) for integrated control of enterprise performance.

- > Web-based design for use enterprisewide
- > Intuitive user interface lets non-experts easily access actionable data
- > Track, view, and relate detailed performance metrics to business applications using ad hoc queries
- > Ranges seamlessly and automatically over data, from current to summarized history sources
- > Readily usable, out-of-the-box, with BMC Software best-practices views



Create custom views for IT managers or business applications owners

Web-based for Wider Use

Typically, BMC Performance Perceiver users are consumers of performance and capacity management data. These consumers include: business managers needing actionable information; application users and managers wanting insight into the performance metrics of applications and servers; and performance

managers, system administrators, and DBAs needing quick views of performance data over time. BMC Performance Perceiver provides this dynamic access, and eliminates the need and associated costs to create and distribute quantities of static graphics.

BMC Performance Perceiver seamlessly accesses underlying data sources from BMC Performance Assurance, including real-time agent history buffers and historical Visualizer performance databases. Easy access to data, a simple user interface, one-button export to popular formats such as Microsoft Excel, Adobe PDF, and XML provide rapid time-to-value. BMC Performance Perceiver is pre-loaded with BMC recommended best-practice views that enable immediate product use, right out of the box.

BMC Performance Perceiver helps your performance and capacity management practice achieve quick success and high visibility throughout your enterprise. BMC Performance Perceiver manages the performance requirements for sharing data with consumers on the Web, enabling IT administrators to focus their time on high-ROI analysis and predictive activities such as performance and capacity management.

System Requirements

BMC Performance Perceiver can be used in small, medium, or large-scale enterprises, and runs either standalone or as a layered drop-in solution. In standalone operation, the product directly accesses performance agent history-buffer data from remote nodes. As a layered drop-in solution within a BMC Performance Assurance implementation, BMC Performance Perceiver leverages existing domain files and Visualizer performance databases.

BMC Performance Perceiver supports the remote node collector and agents in any currently supported BMC Performance Assurance product. When dropped into a BMC Performance Analyzer implementation, BMC Performance Perceiver delivers immediate value within 20 minutes. Remote node support includes all major Unix operating systems, Microsoft Windows, Linux distributions, and VMWare.

BMC Performance Perceiver can be configured with the BMC Performance Analyzer product to collect data from remote Windows computers without requiring agents on those servers. A proxy agent provides additional flexibility in deployment throughout the environment.

BMC Performance Perceiver Web servers can be deployed across as many servers as needed for site optimization and convenience. Web servers may be deployed on Windows, Linux, or Unix operating systems.

A full list of currently supported platforms is available by contacting your BMC representative or visiting the BMC Software Support Web site.

Helping You Maintain Advantage

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