

# Precise Alerts User Guide

Precise Alerts is an alerting product that helps you manage your system performance proactively. With Alerts, you can effectively detect availability and performance problems and react quickly to solve them.

Alerts samples data collected by other Precise products for the values of a set of metrics and compares these values with a predefined set of values, called thresholds. When the value of a metric exceeds the metric's threshold value, Alerts warns you through its user interface. Precise Alerts also can even perform a defined corrective action.

A major cause of performance problems is imperfect application design. Therefore, monitoring the effectiveness of utilization and the efficient handling of data by the monitored servers are crucial to optimizing performance.

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