

Use a dedicated computer

Install the Collection Server on a dedicated physical computer running SQL Server. For optimal performance, implement the following recommended configurations:

- Configure the trace directory to use a different disk than what the operating system uses
- Run 64-bit versions of the Windows operating system and the SQL Server software
- Ensure the Repository databases are the only databases hosted on this SQL Server
- Set the default database file locations so these files are stored on a different disk than what the operating system uses

This configuration also helps you ensure minimal access to the SQL Server instance and your audit data. For more information, see [Product components and architecture](#).

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