

Oracle Security Alert 47
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Security Vulnerabilities in Default Installation of Oracle9i Application Server

This note describes three potential security vulnerabilities in Oracle9i Application Server:

1. Java Server Pages (JSPs) are vulnerable to source code disclosure.
2. Default permissions on installed Oracle9i Application Server allow Everyone/Full Control access to files.
3. Contents of the WEB-INF folder (for OC4J) are accessible by default.

Issue 1. Description

Java Server Pages (JSPs) are vulnerable to source code disclosure.

Products affected

Oracle9i Application Server Release 2, v 9.0.2.0.0

Platforms affected

All Platforms

Upgrade Information

This potential vulnerability is fixed in Oracle9i Application Server Release 2, v 9.0.2.0.1 and onwards on all platforms.

Issue 2. Description

Default permissions on installed Oracle9i Application Server allow Everyone/Full Control access to files.

Products affected

Oracle9i Application Server Release 1, v 1.0.2.2

Platforms affected

Windows (NT, 2000)

Upgrade Information

This potential vulnerability is fixed in Oracle9i Application Server Release 2, v 9.0.2.0.1 and onwards on all platforms.

Workaround

If the file system is NTFS, allow members of the Administrator group full control of the Oracle home directory and all subdirectories. Revoke all other permissions from all other users.

Issue 3. Description

Contents of the WEB-INF folder (for OC4J) are accessible by default.

Products affected

Oracle9i Application Server Release 1, v 1.0.2.2, and Release 2, v 9.0.2.0.0 and v 9.0.2.0.1

Platforms affected

All Platforms

Upgrade Information

This potential vulnerability is fixed in Oracle9i Application Server Release 2, v 9.0.2.0.1 on Windows (NT/2000), and in Oracle9i Application Server Release 2, v 9.0.3 for Solaris and other Unix platforms.

Workaround

For customers running v 9.0.2.0.0 and v 9.0.2.0.1 on Unix platforms, a workaround is described in Oracle Security Alert 28, http://otn.oracle.com/deploy/security/pdf/ias_modplsql_alert.pdf. This workaround is also documented in the product release notes for v 9.0.2.0.1.

Special Note for E-Business Suite 11i

The Oracle E-Business Suite 11i uses several components delivered as part of the Oracle9i Application Server Release 1 (v 1.0 and v 1.0.2.2). Oracle E-Business Suite 11i customers may be impacted by the security alerts issued for v 1.0.2.2. If you are an Oracle E-Business Suite 11i customer, please make sure that you have applied the latest ROLLUP PATCH for Oracle9i Application Server Release 1, v 1.0.2.2 & Oracle E-Business Suite 11i as mentioned in the document entitled "Installing Oracle9i Application Server with Oracle E-Business Suite 11i", (Metalink Note 146468.1).

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