Cisco Active Advisor

Simplified Experience for Product Information

Cisco® Active Advisor is a cloud-based service that provides essential lifecycle information about your network inventory (Figure 1). Available standalone or in conjunction with other Cisco network management applications, Cisco Active Advisor can help you reduce the overall risk of your network by keeping up-to-date with the status of your products.

Cisco Active Advisor shows the following information, and is constantly expanding its functions:

- Warranty and service contract status
- Product advisories: Cisco Product Security Incident Response Team (PSIRT) and field notices
- End-of-life notifications: Hardware and software

Cisco Active Advisor is free; you can access the service at: https://www.ciscoactiveadvisor.com.

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Reduce Network Risk
Cisco Active Advisor keeps you updated with essential Cisco product information. Minimize overall risk by setting up notifications about product lifecycle milestones that may compromise the security or integrity of your network.

Lifecycle Information Available in Minutes
Quickly and efficiently gain visibility into the status of your product. Shortly after scanning a network using Cisco Scanner, or an upload from another Cisco management tool, lifecycle information is available for view.
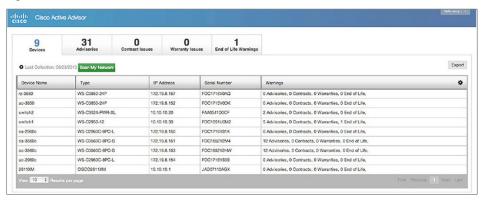
Intuitive Interface
An intuitive user interface highlights important warnings requiring the network administrator's attention, such as expiration dates of warranty, service contracts, end-of-life milestones, and advisories.

Always Available
Cisco Active Advisor is available 24 hours a day for usage, and is supported by Cisco staff to help ensure top quality and efficiency.
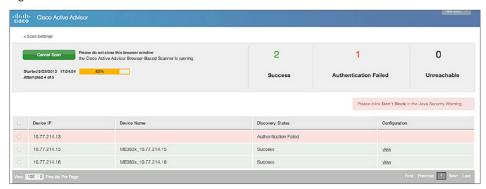
Figure 1. Cisco Active Advisor

Cisco Scanner
Accessible from Cisco Active Advisor, Cisco Scanner helps with gathering the details of your Cisco devices by scanning the network based on your input (Figure 2).

Using Cisco Scanner, you can create a complete network inventory within minutes with only a few clicks.

Figure 2. Cisco Scanner

Summary

Cisco Active Advisor reduces overall network risk and keeps you up-to-date with essential product information about your network inventory that may compromise the security or integrity of your network. Through Cisco Scanner, this information is immediately available, and it saves you time with network discovery.