

RE: how can I see when the last time it was when a computer logged on

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Hello Customer,

Thank you for posting here. Let's also thank Lanwench for the input.

According to your description, I understand that you want to monitor the client computers logon domain event. If I have misunderstood the problem, please don't hesitate to let me know.

Based on my research, I suggest we try the following steps to see if we can resolve this issue:

You can try to enable the policy "Audit logon events" and then we can audit the user logon/logoff events in the security log.

To enable the policy "Audit logon events", please perform the following steps:

1. Logon SBS using domain administrator. Extend Advanced Management->Group Policy Management->Forest: domain.local->Domains->domain.local
2. Open default domain controller policy or create a new GPO at domain level.
3. Click Local Computer Policy, click Computer Configuration, and then click Windows Settings->Security Settings->Local Policies->Audit Policy->Double click Audit logon events and Audit Account Logon Events->Select Success and Failure. Click OK.

You can find the following information from the Windows Server 2003 Security Guide:

Audit Account Logon Events

Determines whether to audit each instance of a user logging on to or logging off from another computer in which this computer is used to validate the account. If you define this policy setting, you can specify whether to audit successes, audit failures, or not audit the event type at all. Success audits generate an audit entry when an account logon attempt succeeds. Failure audits generate an audit entry when an account logon

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attempt fails.

If success auditing for account logon events is enabled on a domain controller, an entry is logged for each user who is validated against that domain controller, even though the user is actually logging on to a workstation that is joined to the domain.

Audit Logon Events

Determines whether to audit each instance of a user logging on to, logging off from, or making a network connection to this computer. If you are logging successful account logon audit events on a domain controller, workstation logon attempts do not generate logon audits. Only interactive and network logon attempts to the domain controller itself generate logon events. In short, "account logon events" are generated where the account lives; "logon events" are generated where the logon attempt occurs.

If you define this policy setting, you can specify whether to audit successes, audit failures, or not audit the event type at all. Success audits generate an audit entry when a logon attempt succeeds. Failure audits generate an audit entry when a logon attempt fails.

Windows Server 2003 Security Guide

<http://www.microsoft.com/downloads/details.aspx?FamilyID=8a2643c1-0685-4d89-b655-521ea6c7b4db&displaylang=en>

After you ensure the policy, restart the client computer to apply the policy. Then, if the client computer success logon domain, you will find the following security event log on SBS:

Event Type: Success Audit
Event Source: Security
Event Category: Logon/Logoff
Event ID: 540
Date: 12/12/2007
Time: 5:21:00 PM
User: NT AUTHORITY\SYSTEM
Computer: SBSSERVER
Description:
Successful Network Logon:
User Name: SBSSERVER\$\br/>Domain: SBSC
Logon ID: (0x0,0x8372A62)
Logon Type: 3
Logon Process: Kerberos
Authentication Package: Kerberos
Workstation Name:
Logon GUID: {35492017-76e5-55e1-64f9-96d6ffda21cf}
Caller User Name: -
Caller Domain: -
Caller Logon ID: -

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Caller Process ID: –
Transited Services: –
Source Network Address: 127.0.0.1
Source Port: 51381

For more information, see Help and Support Center at
<http://go.microsoft.com/fwlink/events.asp>.

I hope these steps will give you some help.

Thanks and have a nice day!

Best regards,

Terence Liu(MSFT)

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| Hello,

| how can I see what the last time is was when the computer logged on to a domain.

| I want to clean up some computers

| but I can't find out how to see some last logon dates.

| anyone ?

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