

2407010177-NCSC

Department of the Environment, Climate & Communications



NCSC Alert

Critical Vulnerability exists in Juniper Networks Session Smart Router, Session Smart Conductor and WAN Assurance Router

Monday 1st July, 2024

STATUS: TLP-CLEAR

Recipients can spread this to the world, there is no limit on disclosure. Sources may use **TLP-CLEAR** when information carries minimal or no foreseeable risk of misuse, in accordance with applicable rules and procedures for public release. Subject to standard copyright rules, **TLP-CLEAR** information may be shared without restriction.

For more information on the Traffic Light Protocol, see https://www.first.org/tlp/. Please treat this document in accordance with the TLP assigned.

TLP-CLEAR

Description

Published: 2024-06-27T21:15:00 Vendor: Juniper Networks Product: Session Smart Router Session Smart Conductor WAN Assurance Router CVE ID: CVE-2024-2973 CVSS 3.0 Score¹: 10 EPSS²: 0.392770000

Summary: An Authentication Bypass Using an Alternate Path or Channel vulnerability in Juniper Networks Session Smart Router or conductor running with a redundant peer allows a network based attacker to bypass authentication and take full control of the device. Only routers or conductors that are running in high-availability redundant configurations are affected by this vulnerability.

More information related to this issue can be found at the following link(s):

- https://supportportal.juniper.net/JSA83126
- https://support.juniper.net/support/eol/software/ssr/

Products	s Affected

Session Smart Router:	Session Smart Conductor	WAN Assurance Router:
• All versions before 5.6.15	• All versions before 5.6.15	6.0 versions before 6.1.9-Its
• from 6.0 before 6.1.9-lts	• from 6.0 before 6.1.9-lts	6.2 versions before 6.2.5-
• from 6.2 before 6.2.5-sts	• from 6.2 before 6.2.5-sts	sts

No other Juniper Networks products or platforms are affected by this issue.

Impact

Common Weakness Enumeration (CWE)³:

CWE-288 Authentication Bypass Using an Alternate Path or Channel

Present in CISA Known Exploited Vulnerability(KEV)⁴ catalog: NO

¹https://www.first.org/cvss/v3.0/specification-document

²https://www.first.org/epss/articles/prob_percentile_bins

³https://cwe.mitre.org/

⁴https://www.cisa.gov/known-exploited-vulnerabilities-catalog

Recommendations

The NCSC strongly advises affected organisations to review the latest release notes and install the relevant updates from Juniper Networks.

Additional recommendations and mitigation's for CVE-2024-2973 can be found in the respective links below:

- https://supportportal.juniper.net/JSA83126
- https://support.juniper.net/support/eol/software/ssr/

DISCLAIMER: This document is provided "as is" without warranty of any kind, expressed or implied, including, but not limited to, the implied warranty of fitness for a particular purpose. NCSC-IE does not endorse any commercial product or service, referenced in this document or otherwise.

National Cyber Security Centre Tom Johnson House, Beggars Bush, Dublin, D04 A068, Ireland **Tel:** +353 (0)1 6782333 **Mail:** certreport@ncsc.gov.ie **Web:** ncsc.gov.ie **Twitter:** ncsc_gov_ie **LinkedIn:** ncsc-ie



An Lárionad Náisiúnta Cibearshlándála National Cyber Security Centre