

Security Bulletin: IBM® Db2® is vulnerable to a denial of service due to insufficient release of allocated memory after usage. (CVE-2025-1992)

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Summary

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Vulnerability Details

CVEID: CVE-2025-1992 (https://www.cve.org/CVERecord?id=CVE-2025-1992)

DESCRIPTION: IBM Db2 for Linux, UNIX and Windows (includes DB2 Connect Server) could allow an authenticated user, under non default configurations, to cause a denial of service due to insufficient release of allocated memory after usage.

CWE: CWE-401: Missing Release of Memory after Effective Lifetime (https://cwe.mitre.org/data/definitions/401.html)

CVSS Source: IBM CVSS Base score: 5.3

CVSS Vector: (CVSS:3.1/AV:N/AC:H/PR:L/UI:N/S:U/C:N/I:N/A:H)

Affected Products and Versions

| Affected Product(s) | Version(s) | Applicable Editions | | |
|---------------------|-----------------|---------------------|--|--|
| IBM® Db2® | 11.5.0 - 11.5.9 | Server | | |
| IBM® Db2® | 12.1.0 - 12.1.1 | Server | | |

All platforms are affected.

Remediation/Fixes

Customers running any vulnerable affected level of an affected Program, V11.5 and V12.1, can download the special build containing the interim fix for this issue from Fix Central. These special builds are available based on the most recent level for each impacted release: V11.5.9 and V12.1.1. They can be applied to any affected level of the appropriate release to remediate this vulnerability.

| Release | Fixed in | APAR | Download URL |
|---------|----------|------------|--------------|
| | fix pack | | |
| V11.5 | TBD | | |
| V12.1 | TBD | w.ibm.com/ | |

IBM does not disclose key Db2 functionality nor replication steps for a vulnerability to avoid providing too much information to any potential malicious attacker. IBM does not want to enable a malicious attacker with sufficient knowledge to craft an exploit of the vulnerability.

Note: After December 31, 2025, 11.1 and 10.5 versions of Db2 will not have security fixes made available as they will reach EoS.

Workarounds and Mitigations

None

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References

Complete CVSS v3 Guide C On-line Calculator v3

Related Information

IBM Secure Engineering Web Portal (http://www.ibm.com/security/secure-engineering/bulletins.html)
IBM Product Security Incident Response Blog (http://www.ibm.com/blogs/psirt)

Published Security Vulnerabilities for DB2 for Linux, UNIX, and Windows including Special Build information

(https://www.ibm.com/support/pages/published-security-vulnerabilities-db2-linux-unix-and-windows-including-special-build-information)

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Document Information

More support for:

Db2 for Linux, UNIX and Windows (https://www.ibm.com/mysupport/s/topic/0TO500000001fUNGAY)

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