

OCI Security Audits

CIS benchmarks and SELinux

Applying the CIS benchmarks

- The Centre for Internet Security
 - Publishes benchmarks for numerous environments
 - If you pass the benchmarks, you are probably OK
- Two that all DBAs will likely be using are:
 - CIS Oracle Database 19c Benchmark v1.1.0 – 12-16-2022
 - CIS Oracle Linux 8 Benchmark v2.0.0 – 03-29-2022
- OCI: the Vulnerability Scan Service
 - Generates reports for Compute Instances
 - DB Systems you must do yourself

SELinux is a de facto standard

- You won't pass the benchmarks without SELinux
 - Enabled by default on a Compute Instance
 - But not on a DB System
- Enabling SELinux
 - Use the dbcli utility
 - Straightforward, but does need a reboot

To conclude

- OCI has some nice facilities
 - The Vulnerability Scan Service checks CVEs
 - Apply the CIS benchmarks
 - But not on DB System nodes 😞
- SELinux is a basic requirement
 - Enabled by default on Compute instances
 - Requires configuration on a DB System