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Style	Description	Example
	A danger notice indicates a situation that will cause major system changes, faults, physical injuries, and other adverse results.	 <b>Danger:</b> Resetting will result in the loss of user configuration data.
	A warning notice indicates a situation that may cause major system changes, faults, physical injuries, and other adverse results.	 <b>Warning:</b> Restarting will cause business interruption. About 10 minutes are required to restart an instance.
	A caution notice indicates warning information, supplementary instructions, and other content that the user must understand.	 <b>Notice:</b> If the weight is set to 0, the server no longer receives new requests.
	A note indicates supplemental instructions, best practices, tips, and other content.	 <b>Note:</b> You can use Ctrl + A to select all files.
>	Closing angle brackets are used to indicate a multi-level menu cascade.	Click <b>Settings &gt; Network &gt; Set network type.</b>
<b>Bold</b>	Bold formatting is used for buttons, menus, page names, and other UI elements.	Click <b>OK.</b>
Courier font	Courier font is used for commands.	Run the <code>cd /d C:/window</code> command to enter the Windows system folder.
Italic	Italic formatting is used for parameters and variables.	<code>bae log list --instanceid Instance_ID</code>
[ ] or [a b]	This format is used for an optional value, where only one item can be selected.	<code>ipconfig [-all -t]</code>

<b>Style</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Example</b>
{ } or {a b}	This format is used for a required value, where only one item can be selected.	switch {active stand}



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# 1 What is the maximum number of days that ActionTrail events are retained for query?

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By default, ActionTrail allows you to query events recorded in the last 90 days.

If you want to store event logs for a longer period of time and query them later, you can create trails in the ActionTrail console. ActionTrail will deliver the events to the Object Storage Service (OSS) bucket or the Log Service Logstore that you specify or create. For more information, see [#unique\\_4](#).

## 2 What events does ActionTrail record?

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ActionTrail records all the events that occur in the use of Alibaba Cloud services, including querying, creation, deletion, and modification. For more information about the Alibaba Cloud services supported by ActionTrail, see [#unique\\_6](#).

## **3 Does ActionTrail have a limit on the number of trails?**

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You can create up to five trails in each region by using your Alibaba Cloud account.

## 4 What is the storage path of an event that is delivered to an OSS bucket?

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When an event is delivered to the Object Storage Service (OSS) bucket that you specify or create, ActionTrail generates a storage path for the event log file with the hierarchy specified based on the region and date information, including the year, month, and day, and places the log file under the path.

- For an event that a single-account trail delivers to an OSS bucket, the storage path is in the following format:

```
oss://<bucket>/<Log file prefix>/AliyunLogs/Actiontrail/regionid/<YYYY>/<MM>/<DD>/<Log file>
```

- For an event that a multi-account trail delivers to an OSS bucket, the storage path is in the following format:

```
oss://<bucket>/<Log file prefix>/AliyunLogs/Actiontrail/rd_id/accountid/regionid/yyyy/mm/dd/Log file
```

## **5 Can I view global events in every region after I create a trail and specify an OSS bucket for event delivery?**

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No. If you create a trail and specify an Object Storage Service (OSS) bucket to which events are delivered, by default, global events are delivered to the same log file as the events that occur in the home region of the created trail.