

How to Display MariaDB Database Metric Values?

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I want to see the metric values of my MariaDB database.

Problem

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Solution

As far as I know, there are 2 tools that you can use to display the values of metrics on your MariaDB database.

1. mariadb-report

This tool is built into MariaDB, so when you install the MariaDB database or mariadb-client on your server, this tool will automatically be installed on your server. In general, use the format below to run this command:

```
mariadb-report --user=username --password your_password
```

If you want to display MariaDB database metrics using the root user, then use the command below:

```
mariadb-report --user=root --password
```

Enter the password for the root user, and a display will appear as below:

```
-- Key -----  
Buffer used      0 of 128.00M   %Used:   0.00  
  Current       23.35M           %Usage:  18.24  
Write hit        0.00%  
Read hit         0.00%  
  
-- Questions -----  
Total           38.14k      12.1/s  
  DMS           21.86k      7.0/s   %Total:  57.32  
  Com_          16.26k      5.2/s   42.64  
  COM_QUIT      66           0.0/s   0.17  
  -Unknown      49           0.0/s   0.13  
Slow 10 s       0           0/s     0.00   %DMS:   0.00 Log: OFF  
DMS             21.86k      7.0/s   57.32  
  SELECT        16.78k      5.3/s   43.99   76.75  
  INSERT        4.20k      1.3/s   11.02   19.23  
  UPDATE        668       0.2/s   1.75    3.06  
  DELETE        212       0.1/s   0.56    0.97  
  REPLACE       0           0/s     0.00    0.00  
Com_            16.26k      5.2/s   42.64  
  commit        8.08k      2.6/s   21.18  
  begin         8.08k      2.6/s   21.18  
  set_option    69           0.0/s   0.18  
  
-- Rows -----  
Rows            6.82M      2.2k/s  
  Using idx     3.26M      1.0k/s   %Index:  47.80  
Rows/question   178.83  
  
-- SELECT and Sort -----  
Scan            7.85k      2.5/s   %SELECT: 46.81  
Range           5.66k      1.8/s   33.70  
Full join       1.62k      0.5/s   9.67  
Range check     0           0/s     0.00  
Full rng join   0           0/s     0.00  
Sort scan       1.05k      0.3/s  
Sort range      4.20k      1.3/s  
Sort mrg pass   314       0.1/s
```



Display of mariadb-report

If you want to put the results into a file, you can use the command below:

```
mariadb-report --user=root --password --outfile /tmp/metric.txt
```

Enter the password, and the results will be entered into the /tmp/metric.txt file.

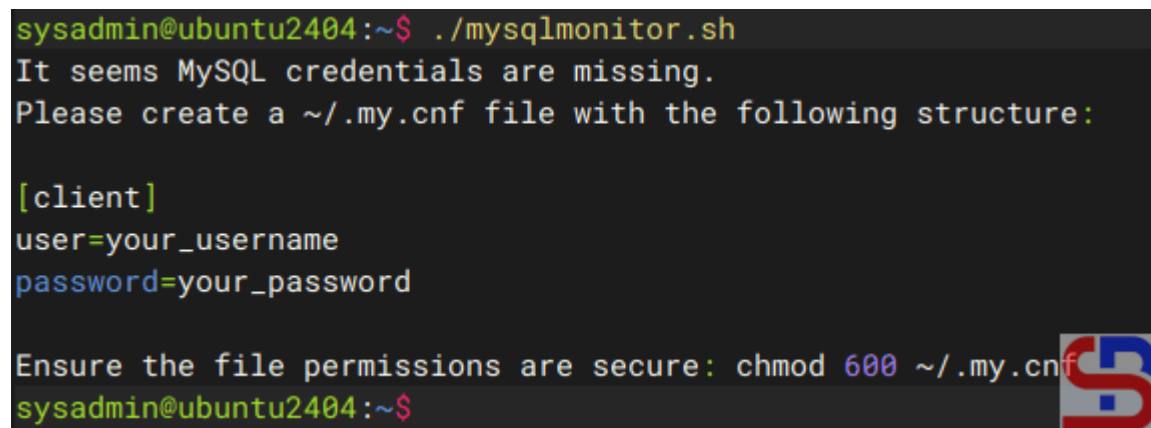
2. mysqlmonitor

This is a simple bash script created to give system administrators and database administrators a fast summary of MySQL metrics. It presents essential metrics such as InnoDB buffer utilization, query efficiency, and system memory, accompanied by concise descriptions of each parameter. To run this script, you must create MariaDB credentials in the my.cnf file, because if not, there will be an error like the one below:

```
sysadmin@ubuntu2404:~$ ./mysqlmonitor.sh
It seems MySQL credentials are missing.
Please create a ~/.my.cnf file with the following structure:

[client]
user=your_username
password=your_password

Ensure the file permissions are secure: chmod 600 ~/.my.cnf
sysadmin@ubuntu2404:~$
```



Error when running mysqlmonitor

Copy the script below and insert it into the my.cnf file:

```
[client]
user=username
password=your_password
```

To download and run the script, run the commands below:

```
curl -O
https://raw.githubusercontent.com/haydenjames/mysqlmonitor-script/main/mysqlm
onitor.sh &&
chmod +x mysqlmonitor.sh &&
./mysqlmonitor.sh
```

There will be a display like the image below:

```
----- MySQL Runtime Metrics -----
Aborted_clients          | 0          | Failed client connections.
Aborted_connects        | 2          | Failed MySQL server connections.
Connections              | 370        | Total connection attempts.
Created_tmp_disk_tables  | 1          | Temp tables created on disk.
Created_tmp_files        | 788        | Temp files created by MySQL.
Created_tmp_tables       | 1.21K      | Temp tables created in memory.
InnoDB_buffer_pool_pages_free | 4.68K     | Free pages in InnoDB buffer pool.
InnoDB_buffer_pool_read_requests | 2.94M     | Logical read requests to buffer.
InnoDB_buffer_pool_reads | 3.36K      | Logical reads from disk.
InnoDB_buffer_pool_wait_free | 0         | Waits for free pages.
InnoDB_buffer_pool_write_requests | 197.23K   | Writes requested to InnoDB buffer.
InnoDB_data_reads       | 3.60K      | Data pages read from disk.
InnoDB_data_writes      | 0          | Data pages written to disk.
InnoDB_log_waits        | 0          | Log waits for buffer flushes.
InnoDB_log_writes       | 7.81K      | Log writes to InnoDB log file.
Key_reads                | 0          | MyISAM disk reads (Use InnoDB).
Key_writes               | 0          | MyISAM disk writes (Use InnoDB).
Max_used_connections     | 32         | Max concurrent connections so far.
Open_files               | 58         | Files currently open by MySQL.
Open_tables              | 147        | Tables currently open.
Opened_tables            | 154        | Total tables opened since start.
Questions (12.30 QPS)    | 48.33K     | Total number of client requests.
Select_full_join         | 2.03K      | Joins without usable indexes.
Select_scan              | 10.10K     | Full table scans in SELECT queries.
Slow_queries             | 0          | Queries exceeding long_query_time.
Sort_merge_passes        | 392        | Merge passes performed for sorting.
Sort_range               | 5.25K      | Range-based sort operations.
Sort_rows                | 562.52K    | Rows sorted by MySQL.
Sort_scan                | 1.31K      | Table-scan-based sort operations.
Table_locks_immediate    | 355        | Locks acquired immediately.
Table_locks_waited       | 0          | Locks that had to wait. (bad).
Table_open_cache_hits    | 33.98K     | Cache hits for table open.
Table_open_cache_misses  | 155        | Cache misses for table open.
Threads_cached           | 0          | Threads in the thread cache.
Threads_connected        | 32         | Currently open connections.
Threads_created           | 35         | Threads created for connections.
Threads_running          | 1          | Threads currently running queries.
Uptime (Wait 24h for accuracy) | 1h 5m 28s

----- MySQL Health Metrics -----
InnoDB Buffer Pool Free   | 73 MB      | Zero/low? = innodb_buffer_pool_size.
InnoDB Buffer Pool Hit Ratio | 99.9%     | High QPS? Aim for high hit ratio
Thread Cache Hit Ratio    | 90.5%     | Faster connection handling. > 90%
Table Cache Hit Ratio     | 99.5%     | Faster table access speeds. > 90%
```

Display of mysqlmonitor



From the image above, you can see that the results from the `mysqlmonitor` tool are more concise than the `mariadb-report` tool. To exit this tool, press the `q` key.

Note

If you want detailed metric results, then you can use the `mariadb-report` tool. However, if you want more concise metrics, you can use the `mysqlmonitor` tool.

References

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mariadb.com
github.com

[How to Install and Run tuning-primer?](#)

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[The previous article](#) explained the `mysqltuner` script to provide recommendations to increase MariaDB performance. This article will explain the `primary-tuning` script, which is an alternative or may also be an addition to providing recommendations for MariaDB.

Problem

How to install and run `tuning-primer`?

Solution

The `primary-tuning` script was created by Matthew Montgomery using a bash script to provide recommendations against a MySQL/MariaDB database. This script takes information from

“SHOW STATUS LIKE...” and “SHOW VARIABLES LIKE...” to produce recommendations for tuning server variables. To download this script, use the command below:

```
git clone https://github.com/mattiabasone/tuning-primer.git
```

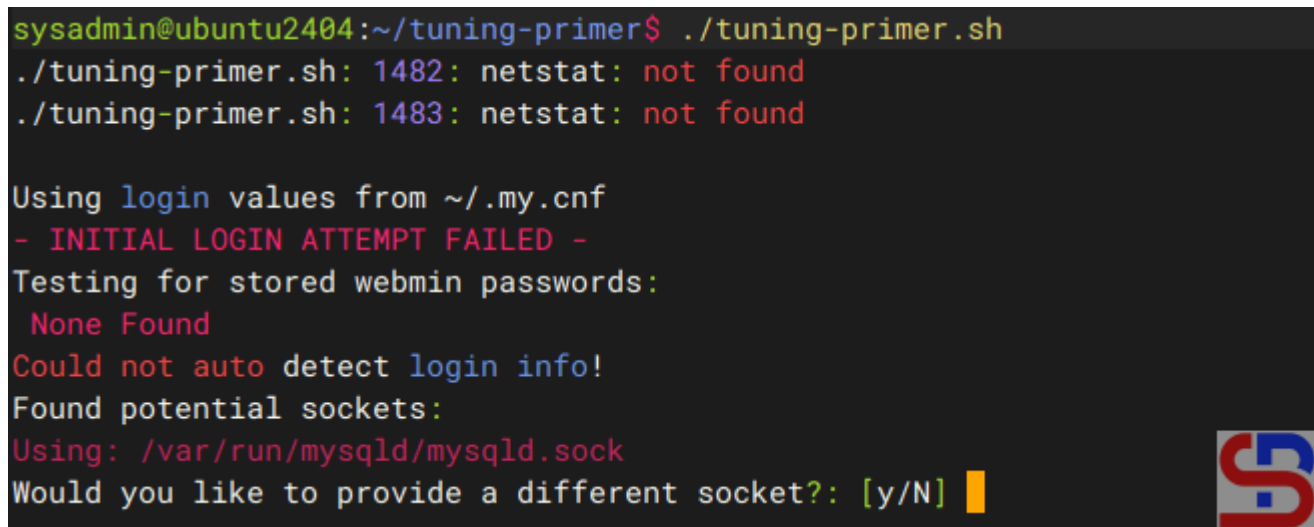
Go to the primary-tuning folder and permit so that the script can be run:

```
chmod +x tuning-primary.sh
```

Then, run the command below to run the primary-tuning script:

```
./tuning-primer.sh
```

There will be a display like the image below:




```
sysadmin@ubuntu2404:~/tuning-primer$ ./tuning-primer.sh
./tuning-primer.sh: 1482: netstat: not found
./tuning-primer.sh: 1483: netstat: not found

Using login values from ~/.my.cnf
- INITIAL LOGIN ATTEMPT FAILED -
Testing for stored webmin passwords:
None Found
Could not auto detect login info!
Found potential sockets:
Using: /var/run/mysqld/mysqld.sock
Would you like to provide a different socket?: [y/N] █
```

Run tuning-primer script

Press **Enter**, then you have to enter your username and password so that this script can access your MariaDB database, as in the image below:

```
Do you have your login handy ? [y/N] : y
User: root
Password: qwerty
Would you like me to create a ~/.my.cnf file for you? [y/N] :
```



Enter username and password

Warning

This script writes the password clearly, so you have to be careful when using this script.

After that, the script will display recommendations as in the image below:

```
-- MYSQL PERFORMANCE TUNING PRIMER --  
- By: Matthew Montgomery -
```

```
MySQL Version 10.11.13-MariaDB-0ubuntu0.24.04.1 x86_64
```

```
Uptime = 0 days 1 hrs 41 min 2 sec
```

```
Avg. qps = 14
```

```
Total Questions = 88210
```

```
Threads Connected = 33
```

```
Warning: Server has not been running for at least 48hrs.  
It may not be safe to use these recommendations
```

```
To find out more information on how each of these  
runtime variables effects performance visit:
```

```
http://dev.mysql.com/doc/refman/10.11/en/server-system-variables.html
```

```
Visit http://www.mysql.com/products/enterprise/advisors.html
```

```
for info about MySQL's Enterprise Monitoring and Advisory Service
```

SLOW QUERIES

```
The slow query log is NOT enabled.
```

```
Current long_query_time = 10.000000 sec.
```

```
You have 0 out of 88224 that take longer than 10.000000 sec. to complete
```

```
Your long_query_time seems to be fine
```

BINARY UPDATE LOG

```
The binary update log is NOT enabled.
```

```
You will not be able to do point in time recovery
```

```
See http://dev.mysql.com/doc/refman/10.11/en/point-in-time-recovery.html
```

WORKER THREADS

```
Current thread_cache_size = 151
```

```
Current threads_cached = 0
```

```
Current threads_per_sec = 0
```

```
Historic threads_per_sec = 0
```

```
Your thread_cache_size is fine
```



tuning-primer script result display

Note

Because this script was created in 2018 and there has been no update, there are several errors that occur where on lines 1482 and 1483 (see first image) in the netstat command where at this time (November 2025), the netstat command has

been changed to `ss` and also the password is written as plain text which is very dangerous if known by the unauthorized user.

References

linuxblog.io
github.com

[How to Install And Run mysqltuner?](#)

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If you have a MariaDB database, then you definitely want the performance of the database to improve. Therefore, you should have done several configurations to achieve your goals. There is a script called `mysqltuner` that you can use to improve the performance of your MariaDB database by providing recommendations.

Problem

How to install and run `mysqltuner`?

Solution

`mysqltuner` is a Perl script designed to quickly assess a MySQL setup and implement changes to enhance performance and stability. It supports ~300 indicators for MySQL/MariaDB/Percona Server in this latest version and is actively maintained, supporting many configurations such as Galera Cluster, TokuDB, Performance schema, Linux OS metrics, InnoDB, MyISAM, Aria, and so on. To download it, you can run the command:

```
git clone https://github.com/major/MySQLTuner-perl.git
```

Or use the commands below:

```
wget http://mysqltuner.pl/ -O mysqltuner.pl
wget
https://raw.githubusercontent.com/major/MySQLTuner-perl/master/basic_password
s.txt -O basic_passwords.txt
wget
https://raw.githubusercontent.com/major/MySQLTuner-perl/master/vulnerabilitie
s.csv -O vulnerabilities.csv
```

To run this script, you must have Perl installed on your server. So, to run this script, you can use the command (if you download mysqltuner using git, you have to go to **the MySQLTuner-perl** folder):

```
perl mysqltuner.pl
```

Or you permit this script to be executed by using the command:

```
chmod +x mysqltuner.pl
./mysqltuner.pl
```

After you run the command, there will be a display as below:

```
sysadmin@ubuntu2404:~$ perl mysqltuner.pl
>> MySQLTuner 2.7.0
      * Jean-Marie Renouard <jmrenouard@gmail.com>
      * Major Hayden <major@mhtx.net>
>> Bug reports, feature requests, and downloads at http://mysqltuner.pl/
>> Run with '--help' for additional options and output filtering

i Skipped version check for MySQLTuner script
i Using mysql to check login
Please enter your MySQL administrative login: root
Please enter your MySQL administrative password:
```

Enter username and password

Enter the username and password, and if there is no error,

mysqltuner displays your MariaDB state as shown in the image below:

```
----- Storage Engine Statistics -----
i  Status: +Aria +CSV +InnoDB +MEMORY +MRG_MyISAM +MyISAM +PERFORMANCE_SCHEMA +SEQUENCE
i  Data in InnoDB tables: 107.3M (Tables: 227)
i  Data in Aria tables: 32.0K (Tables: 1)
✓ Total fragmented tables: 0

✓ Currently running supported MySQL/MariaDB version 10.11.13-MariaDB(LTS)

----- Log file Recommendations -----
✗ Log file doesn't exist

----- Analysis Performance Metrics -----
i  innodb_stats_on_metadata: OFF
✓ No stat updates during querying INFORMATION_SCHEMA.

----- Views Metrics -----

----- Triggers Metrics -----

----- Routines Metrics -----

----- Security Recommendations -----
i  Ubuntu 24.04 - 10.11.13-MariaDB
✓ There are no anonymous accounts for any database users
✓ All database users have passwords assigned
✗ User 'snipe_user'@% does not specify hostname restrictions.
i  There are 620 basic passwords in the list.

----- CVE Security Recommendations -----
✓ NO SECURITY CVE FOUND FOR YOUR VERSION

----- Performance Metrics -----
i  Up for: 2m 4s (2K q [16.960 qps], 104 conn, TX: 14M, RX: 233K)
i  Reads / Writes: 83% / 17%
i  Binary logging is disabled
i  Physical Memory      : 961.6M
i  Max MySQL memory     : 861.2M
i  Other process memory : 0B
i  Total buffers: 417.0M global + 2.9M per thread (151 max threads)
i  Performance_schema Max memory usage: 0B
```

mysqltuner view

And at the end, mysqltuner will recommend that your MariaDB improve its performance:

```
----- Recommendations -----
General recommendations:
  Restrict Host for 'snipe_user'@ '%' to 'snipe_user'@LimitedIPRangeOrLocalhost
  RENAME USER 'snipe_user'@ '%' TO 'snipe_user'@LimitedIPRangeOrLocalhost;
  MySQL was started within the last 24 hours: recommendations may be inaccurate
  Reduce your overall MySQL memory footprint for system stability
  Configure your accounts with ip or subnets only, then update your configuration with skip-name-resolve=ON
  We will suggest raising the 'join_buffer_size' until JOINS not using indexes are found.
  See https://dev.mysql.com/doc/refman/8.0/en/server-system-variables.html#sysvar\_join\_buffer\_size
  Performance schema should be activated for better diagnostics
  Be careful, increasing innodb_log_file_size / innodb_log_files_in_group means higher crash recovery mean time
Variables to adjust:
  skip-name-resolve=ON
  join_buffer_size (> 256.0K, or always use indexes with JOINS)
  table_definition_cache (400) > 519 or -1 (autosizing if supported)
  performance_schema=ON
  innodb_log_file_size should be (=32M) if possible, so InnoDB total log file size equals 25% of buffer pool size.
  innodb_log_buffer_size (> 16M)
sysadmin@ubuntu2404:~$
```

Recommendations on myqltuner

Note

If you want to run myqltuner with the verbose option, use the command below:

```
perl myqltuner.pl --verbose
```

If you want to display Maximum Output Information around MySQL, like display database(s) and table(s) on myqltuner, use the command below:

```
perl myqltuner.pl --buffers --dbstat --idxstat --sysstat --pfstat --tbstat
```

Use the command below to use CVE(Common Vulnerabilities and Exposures) in myqltuner:

```
perl myqltuner.pl --cvefile=vulnerabilities.csv
```

Use the command below to save the results from myqltuner in a file without displaying it on the screen:

```
perl myqltuner.pl --silent --outputfile /tmp/result_myqltuner.txt
```

To update myqltuner, run the command below:

```
perl mysqltuner.pl --checkversion --updateversion
```

References

mysqltuner.com

github.com

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How to Change MariaDB Port?

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By default, MariaDB uses port 3306. I want to change the default port to another port for security reasons.

Problem

How to change MariaDB port?

Solution

To see the default MariaDB port, you can use the command below:

```
sudo ss -ptuln | grep mariadb
```


```
sysadmin@ubuntu2404:/etc/mysql$ sudo ss -ptuln | grep mariadb  
tcp  LISTEN  0      80      0.0.0.0:3306      0.0.0.0:*      users:(("mariadb",pid=967,fd=22))
```

Display the MariaDB port via netstat

Or you run the query below:

```
show variables like 'port';
```

```
MariaDB [(none)]> show variables like 'port';
+-----+-----+
| Variable_name | Value |
+-----+-----+
| port          | 3306  |
+-----+-----+
1 row in set (0.010 sec)
```



Display the MariaDB port via query

From the images above, you can see MariaDB is using port 3306. If you want to change the port from 3306 to 4306, for example, then in the file `/etc/mysql/mariadb.conf.d/50-server.cnf` if you are using Ubuntu, add the item below:

```
port = 4306
```

Warning

If you're using a distro other than Ubuntu/Debian, you can search for the file by using the command:


```
sudo find / -type f -name "*server.cnf"
```

Then restart mariadb using the command:

```
sudo systemctl restart mariadb
```

After that, you can check the MariaDB port by using one of the commands above, and the MariaDB port should have changed according to the port you want, as shown in the image below:

```
sysadmin@ubuntu2404:~$ sudo systemctl restart mariadb
sysadmin@ubuntu2404:~$ sudo ss -ptuln | grep mariadb
tcp  LISTEN  0      80      0.0.0.0:4306      0.0.0.0:*      users:(("mariadb",pid=3157,fd=25))
```



Display the MariaDB port via netstat after changing the port

Note

If you have changed the default port of MariaDB from 3306 to 4306, for example, then you don't need to write the port in the Linux command to access MariaDB if you access from localhost:

```
sysadmin@ubuntu2404:~$ sudo ss -ptuln | grep mariadb
tcp    LISTEN 0      80          0.0.0.0:4306      0.0.0.0:*      users:((("mariadb",pid=3157,fd=25))

sysadmin@ubuntu2404:~$ sudo mariadb -uroot -p
Enter password:
Welcome to the MariaDB monitor.  Commands end with ; or \g.
Your MariaDB connection id is 46
Server version: 10.11.13-MariaDB-0ubuntu0.24.04.1 Ubuntu 24.04

Copyright (c) 2000, 2018, Oracle, MariaDB Corporation Ab and others.

Type 'help;' or '\h' for help. Type '\c' to clear the current input statement.

MariaDB [(none)]>
```

Access to MariaDB after changing the port from localhost

But, if you access MariaDB from another host, you have to write the option for the port, like in the picture below:

```
sysadmin@docker:~$ mariadb -h 192.168.56.11 -P 4306 -u john -p
Enter password:
Welcome to the MariaDB monitor.  Commands end with ; or \g.
Your MariaDB connection id is 50
Server version: 10.11.13-MariaDB-0ubuntu0.24.04.1 Ubuntu 24.04

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Type 'help;' or '\h' for help. Type '\c' to clear the current input statement.

MariaDB [(none)]>
```

Access to MariaDB after changing the port on another host

References

[geeksforgeeks.org](https://www.geeksforgeeks.org)
stackoverflow.com
[tecmint.com](https://www.tecmint.com)

[How to Access a MariaDB Database From Another Host?](#)

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[The previous article](#) already explained how to access a MariaDB database from localhost. This article will explain how to access the MariaDB database from another host.

Problem

How to access a MariaDB database from another host?

Solution

To access the MariaDB database, you can follow the format below:

```
mariadb -h your_server_ip -u username -P port_number -p
```

By default, the MariaDB database uses port 3306, so if your MariaDB database uses port 3306, then there is no need to write the port when executing the command to access the MariaDB database. I have a MariaDB database server with an IP of 192.168.56.101 and an Ubuntu server with an IP of 192.168.56.11. I want to access the MariaDB database via the Ubuntu server using the user john and run the command:

```
mariadb -h 192.168.56.101 -u john -p
```

But I got an error like below:

```
ERROR 2002 (HY000): Can't connect to server on '192.168.56.101' (115)
```

```
sysadmin@ubuntu2404:/etc/mysql$ mariadb -h 192.168.56.101 -u john -p
Enter password:
ERROR 2002 (HY000): Can't connect to server on '192.168.56.101' (115)
sysadmin@ubuntu2404:/etc/mysql$
```



Error when accessing the MariaDB from another host

Below are the steps to access the MariaDB database:

1. Open the port

Open port 3306 on both servers. If you use RockyLinux/AlmaLinux/RHEL for your servers, use the command below:

```
firewall-cmd --add-port=3306/tcp --permanent
firewall-cmd --reload
```

But if you use Ubuntu/Debian for your server, type the command below:

```
sudo ufw allow 3306
```

2. Check the MariaDB version

You should know that to access the MariaDB database, you need a mariadb-client package whose version is the same as the MariaDB database version. If the mariadb-client version is different from the mariadb database version, then there will usually be an error. To install the mariadb-client package, you can go to [this page](#).

3. Grant access

On the database server, run a query with the format below:

```
GRANT option ON db_name.* TO username@"ip_address" IDENTIFIED BY "password";
```

For example, if user john wants to access the entire MariaDB database from the host with IP 192.168.56.11, then use the

query below:

```
GRANT ALL ON *.* TO john@"192.168.56.11" IDENTIFIED BY "123456";
```

```
MariaDB [(none)]> GRANT ALL ON *.* TO john@'192.168.56.11' IDENTIFIED BY '123456';
Query OK, 0 rows affected (0.002 sec)

MariaDB [(none)]> SELECT User,Host FROM mysql.user;
+-----+-----+
| User          | Host          |
+-----+-----+
| john          | 192.168.56.11 |
| mariadb.sys   | localhost     |
| mysql         | localhost     |
| root          | localhost     |
+-----+-----+
4 rows in set (0.001 sec)

MariaDB [(none)]> █
```



Grant access for user john

Warning

If you want user john to be able to access only the Zabbix database, use the query below:

```
GRANT ALL ON zabbix.* TO john@"192.168.56.101" IDENTIFIED BY "qwerty";
```

And use the query below if you want user john to be able to view only the Zabbix database:

```
GRANT SELECT ON zabbix.* TO john@"192.168.56.101" IDENTIFIED BY "qwerty";
```

4. Configure the file

Go to the file `/etc/mysql/mariadb.conf.d/50-server.cnf` and change the `bind-address` item to be as below:

```
bind-address          = 0.0.0.0
```

Warning

You can also change the `bind-address` item in the `/etc/mysql/my.cnf` file by

adding the following script to the file:

```
[mysqld]  
bind-address = 0.0.0.0
```

5. Restart MariaDB

After that, restart the MariaDB service using the command below:

```
sudo systemctl restart mariadb
```

Then, try to access it again, and you should be able to access the database like in the picture below:

```
sysadmin@ubuntu2404:~$ mariadb -h 192.168.56.101 -u john -p  
Enter password:  
Welcome to the MariaDB monitor.  Commands end with ; or \g.  
Your MariaDB connection id is 35  
Server version: 12.1.2-MariaDB-ubu2404 mariadb.org binary distribution  
Copyright (c) 2000, 2018, Oracle, MariaDB Corporation Ab and others.  
Type 'help;' or '\h' for help. Type '\c' to clear the current input statement.  
  
MariaDB [(none)]> show databases;  
+-----+  
| Database |  
+-----+  
| db_office |  
| information_schema |  
| mysql |  
| performance_schema |  
| sys |  
+-----+  
5 rows in set (0.001 sec)  
  
MariaDB [(none)]> █
```

Succeed to access MariaDB from another host

Note

If you want your MariaDB database to only be accessed from a

certain IP, for example, IP 192.168.56.11, then use the command below if your distro uses Ubuntu/Debian:

```
sudo ufw allow from 192.168.56.11 to any port 3306
```

But, if you use RockyLinux/AlmaLinux/RHEL, type the below command to open port 3306 only from IP 192.168.56.11

```
firewall-cmd --zone=public --add-rich-rule 'rule family=ipv4 source address=192.168.56.11 port port=3306 protocol=tcp accept'  
firewall-cmd --reload  
firewall-cmd --list-rich-rules
```

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[How to Install the mariadb-client in Linux?](#)

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If you want to access MariaDB databases from other hosts, then your device must have a mariadb-client package.

Problem

How to install the mariadb-client in Linux?

Solution

Below is the command to install mariadb-client on some Linux distros:

Ubuntu/Debian

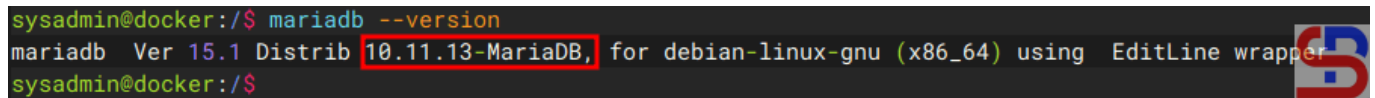
```
sudo apt update
sudo apt install mariadb-client
```

RockyLinux/AlmaLinux/RHEL

```
sudo yum install mariadb-client-*
```

Use the command below to see the version of mariadb-client after you installed the package:

```
mariadb --version
```



```
sysadmin@docker:/$ mariadb --version
mariadb Ver 15.1 Distrib 10.11.13-MariaDB, for debian-linux-gnu (x86_64) using EditLine wrapper
sysadmin@docker:/$
```

Checking MariaDB version

As you can see in the image above, the version of mariadb-client that you installed is version 10.11.3. But you should know that, usually by default, the package provided by the distro is a stable old version and not the latest stable version. Therefore, if you want the mariadb-client package to use the latest stable version, use the command below:

```
curl -LsS https://r.mariadb.com/downloads/mariadb_repo_setup | sudo bash
```

After that, reinstall the package using the command above (*sudo apt install mariadb-client* or *sudo yum install mariadb-client-**), and your MariaDB version should be the latest.

Note

If you want to know how to access the MariaDB database from another host, you can go to [this article](#).

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How to Install Mytop?

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As a sysadmin, you need a tool to monitor the MariaDB database, and one of the tools you can use is mytop.

Problem

How to install mytop?

Solution

Mytop is an open-source utility developed by Jeremy Zawodny with Perl for real-time monitoring of MySQL/MariaDB databases. To install this tool, use the commands below:

```
wget https://jeremy.zawodny.com/mysql/mytop/mytop-1.6.tar.gz
tar -zxvf mytop-1.6.tar.gz
cd mytop-1.6/
perl Makefile.PL
make
make test
sudo make install
```

To run this tool, use the format below:

```
mytop --prompt -d db_name
```

For example, if you want to monitor the Zabbix database, then use the command below:

```
mytop --prompt -d zabbix
```

Warning

But, if you want to use another user, you have to use the command below:

```
mytop --prompt -u zabbix_user -d zabbix
```

By default, Mytop uses the root user to enter the database, then enter the password from the root user, and you should see a display like the one below:

```
MySQL on localhost (10.11.13-MariaDB-0ubuntu0.24.04.1) up 0+01:28:45 [06:08:59]
Queries: 8.0 qps: 0 Slow: 0.0 Se/In/Up/De(%): 00/00/00/00
qps now: 0 Slow qps: 0.0 Threads: 32 ( 1/ 0) 00/00/00/00
Key Efficiency: 100.0% Bps in/out: 0.1/ 5.4 Now in/out: 8.3/374.8
```

Id	User	Host/IP	DB	Time	Cmd Query or State
8	zabbix	localhost	zabbix	0	Sleep
42	zabbix	localhost	zabbix	0	Sleep
65	root	localhost	zabbix	0	Query show full processlist
48	zabbix	localhost	zabbix	1	Sleep
47	zabbix	localhost	zabbix	4	Sleep
10	zabbix	localhost	zabbix	6	Sleep
52	zabbix	localhost	zabbix	7	Sleep
44	zabbix	localhost	zabbix	8	Sleep
45	zabbix	localhost	zabbix	14	Sleep
36	zabbix	localhost	zabbix	15	Sleep
43	zabbix	localhost	zabbix	16	Sleep
57	zabbix	localhost	zabbix	16	Sleep
37	zabbix	localhost	zabbix	22	Sleep
11	zabbix	localhost	zabbix	38	Sleep
61	zabbix	localhost	zabbix	38	Sleep
39	zabbix	localhost	zabbix	58	Sleep
56	zabbix	localhost	zabbix	137	Sleep
58	zabbix	localhost	zabbix	257	Sleep
59	zabbix	localhost	zabbix	377	Sleep
55	zabbix	localhost	zabbix	497	Sleep
38	zabbix	localhost	zabbix	1662	Sleep
60	zabbix	localhost	zabbix	5261	Sleep
62	zabbix	localhost	zabbix	5322	Sleep
40	zabbix	localhost	zabbix	5323	Sleep
41	zabbix	localhost	zabbix	5323	Sleep
46	zabbix	localhost	zabbix	5323	Sleep
49	zabbix	localhost	zabbix	5323	Sleep

View of mytop application



You see from the image above, it looks like the **top** command in Linux. The following is a brief explanation of what the image above looks like:

- The **first line** shows the version of the MariaDB Database and the uptime of the server.
- The **second line** shows the number of queries that have been processed on the server (Queries), the average number of queries per second (qps), the number of slow queries (Slow), and the percentage of Select, Insert, Update, and Delete queries (Se/In/Up/De(%)).
- The **third line** shows the current value since the last mytop refresh, which defaults to 5 seconds. The first field is the number of queries per second. The second value is the number of slow queries per second. The threads segment indicates there are a total of 32 connected threads, 1 is active (the others are sleeping), and there are 0 threads in the thread cache. The last field in the third line shows the query percentages, like in the previous line, but since last mytop refresh.
- The **fourth line** shows crucial buffer efficiency (the frequency of key reads from the buffer instead of the disk) and the total number of bytes that MySQL has both sent and received, including data from the last mytop cycle. Key Efficiency: 100.0% indicates that all keys are read from the buffer, not from the disk. Bps in/out: 0.1/5.4 shows that since startup, MySQL has averaged 0.1kbps of inbound traffic and 5.4kbps for outbound traffic. Now in/out shows the traffic again, but since last mytop refresh.
- The next line up to the last line shows a list of current MySQL threads, sorted according to their idle time (least idle first).

If you want to see more details about a query, then you can press the **f** button, and you will see a display like the one below:

Id	User	Host/IP	DB	Time	Cmd Query or State
--	----	-----	--	----	-----
42	zabbix	localhost	zabbix	0	Sleep
47	zabbix	localhost	zabbix	0	Sleep
48	zabbix	localhost	zabbix	0	Sleep
65	root	localhost	zabbix	0	Query show full processlist
8	zabbix	localhost	zabbix	1	Sleep
44	zabbix	localhost	zabbix	5	Sleep
10	zabbix	localhost	zabbix	7	Sleep
43	zabbix	localhost	zabbix	7	Sleep
11	zabbix	localhost	zabbix	9	Sleep
52	zabbix	localhost	zabbix	9	Sleep
61	zabbix	localhost	zabbix	9	Sleep
39	zabbix	localhost	zabbix	29	Sleep
36	zabbix	localhost	zabbix	44	Sleep
45	zabbix	localhost	zabbix	45	Sleep
55	zabbix	localhost	zabbix	108	Sleep
57	zabbix	localhost	zabbix	228	Sleep
37	zabbix	localhost	zabbix	233	Sleep
56	zabbix	localhost	zabbix	348	Sleep
58	zabbix	localhost	zabbix	468	Sleep
59	zabbix	localhost	zabbix	588	Sleep
38	zabbix	localhost	zabbix	1873	Sleep
60	zabbix	localhost	zabbix	5472	Sleep
62	zabbix	localhost	zabbix	5533	Sleep
40	zabbix	localhost	zabbix	5534	Sleep
41	zabbix	localhost	zabbix	5534	Sleep
46	zabbix	localhost	zabbix	5534	Sleep
49	zabbix	localhost	zabbix	5534	Sleep

full query for which thread id:

Type the f button to get more details

Select the ID number for which you want to display the query in detail, for example, number 65, then type number 65 and press the **Enter** button, and then there will be a display like the one below:

Thread 65 was executing following query:

show full processlist

-- paused. press any key to resume or (e) to explain --

Display the query in more detail

If you want to see an explanation of a query, then type the **e** button as in the image below, then there will be a display like the one below:

Id	User	Host/IP	DB	Time	Cmd Query or State
42	zabbix	localhost	zabbix	0	Sleep
43	zabbix	localhost	zabbix	0	Sleep
47	zabbix	localhost	zabbix	0	Sleep
65	root	localhost	zabbix	0	Query show full processlist
8	zabbix	localhost	zabbix	2	Sleep
10	zabbix	localhost	zabbix	2	Sleep
48	zabbix	localhost	zabbix	2	Sleep
45	zabbix	localhost	zabbix	4	Sleep
52	zabbix	localhost	zabbix	4	Sleep
36	zabbix	localhost	zabbix	5	Sleep
44	zabbix	localhost	zabbix	6	Sleep
61	zabbix	localhost	zabbix	34	Sleep
11	zabbix	localhost	zabbix	35	Sleep
39	zabbix	localhost	zabbix	56	Sleep
55	zabbix	localhost	zabbix	73	Sleep
58	zabbix	localhost	zabbix	74	Sleep
57	zabbix	localhost	zabbix	433	Sleep
37	zabbix	localhost	zabbix	439	Sleep
56	zabbix	localhost	zabbix	554	Sleep
59	zabbix	localhost	zabbix	794	Sleep
38	zabbix	localhost	zabbix	2079	Sleep
60	zabbix	localhost	zabbix	5678	Sleep
62	zabbix	localhost	zabbix	5739	Sleep
40	zabbix	localhost	zabbix	5740	Sleep
41	zabbix	localhost	zabbix	5740	Sleep
46	zabbix	localhost	zabbix	5740	Sleep
49	zabbix	localhost	zabbix	5740	Sleep

explain which query (id):

Type the ID number to explain the query

Type the ID number you want to explain, and after that, press the **Enter** key. If you want to see the command view, press the **c** button, then there will be a display like below:

Command	Total	Pct	Last	Pct
show status	78	50%	1	100%
show processlist	71	46%	0	0%
change db	4	2%	0	0%
show variables	1	0%	0	0%
Compression	0	0%	0	0%



Display the command view

The Command column displays the type of command or query that was executed, and the following is a brief explanation:

- – The **Total column** represents the overall count of that type of command executed since the server began.
- – The **Last column** indicates how many of that command type were executed since the last mytop refresh
- – The **Pct column** indicates the equivalent percentage.

If you want to exit the mytop application, press the **q** button. If you want to enter the mytop application without having to type a password, you can create a `.mytop` file. Type the command:

```
vi ~/.mytop
```

After that, copy the script below, assuming the Zabbix database that you want to monitor uses the mytop application:

```
host=localhost
db=zabbix
user=root
pass=qwerty
delay=5
port=3306
socket=
batchmode=0
color=1
idle=1
```

After that, type the mytop command, and the mytop

application should immediately display the mytop application without you having to write arguments and passwords, as in the image below:

```
sysadmin@ubuntu2404:~$
```

```
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```

Run the mytop tool without arguments and a password

You should only make a user a viewer if you are afraid that others will see your database password.

Note

Regrettably, this application is no longer under development, and the final version available is 1.6 from 2007. Nonetheless, after I use this tool in November 2025, it remains effective for monitoring MySQL/MariaDB databases.

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