



GENERATE AN SBOM USING TWIGS

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INSTALL TWIGS

twigs is a python based, open source CLI supported by ThreatWorx for discovering your attack surface. It can also create SBOMs for any part of the attack surface it discovers. This SBOM is ingestible by the ThreatWorx platform for continuous threat assessment.

The simplest way to install twigs on any modern linux system using python pip is:

```
$ pip install twigs
```

A comprehensive guide on twigs and all its features to discover code, containers, cloud, servers and more is available [here](#)

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USE --SBOM OPTION TO GENERATE A THREATWORX STANDARD JSON SBOM

Simply include the "--sbom <filename>" option to have twigs generate an SBOM for any discovery run. For e.g.

```
# for a local code repository
twigs --sbom mycode.json repo --repo /my/code/repo
```

```
# for remote git repository
twigs --sbom mycode.json repo --repo
https://github.com/myorg/myrepo
```

```
# for a local docker image
twigs --sbom mycontainer.json docker --image
mycontainerapp:v1.0.0
```

```
# for this linux server
twigs --sbom myserver.json host
```



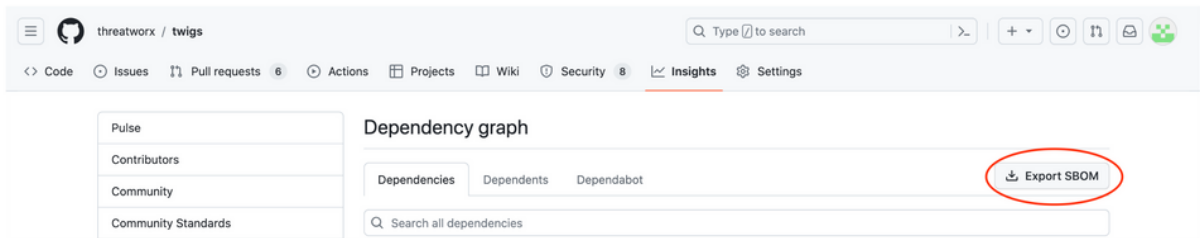
GENERATE AN SBOM FOR A GITHUB PROJECT

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NAVIGATE TO YOUR GITHUB PROJECT

GitHub now supports creation of SPDX SBOMs. If your project is on github.com, you should be able to pull an SBOM by navigating to your project -> Insights -> Dependency Graph.

If you have on-premise enterprise GitHub installation, please check your official documentation on how to enable this feature. These SBOMs are ingestible into the ThreatWorx console for continuous threat assessments.





GENERATE A CYCLONEDX OR SPDX SBOM

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CHOOSE A TOOL AND GENERATE THE SBOM

There are several open source tools available for generating SBOMs.

The [CycloneDX tools center](#) has a big list of such tools. We recommend looking at the requirements of these tools as some of them may have dependencies on proprietary solutions.

One such tool for is an open source CLI called [CDXGen](#). It as fewer dependencies and can be used to generate SBOMs for any code repository.

Microsoft is a big proponent of the SPDX standard and have also [open sourced](#) their SBOM generator which is available [here](#).

The major difference in the two standards is that while the SPDX SBOMs cater mostly to open source software and license information while CycloneDX standard is evolving to include information about other software components such as operating systems, services etc.

These standards while they are evolving still do not cover many areas of the attack surface such as network devices, cloud misconfigurations, static code issues etc. which are covered quite effectively by the ThreatWorx SBOM standard.



WHY USE THREATWORX SBOM

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BETTER COVERAGE OF YOUR ATTACK SURFACE

Unlike other SBOM standards like Cyclone DX and SPDX, the ThreatWorx SBOM cover a lot areas of the attack surface including: VMware, Windows systems (including patch information), web applications, cloud and server misconfigurations, SAST, DAST, IaC issues, code secrets and more.

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MULTIPLE ASSETS IN A SINGLE SBOM

The ThreatWorx SBOM specification allows for recording multiple assets in a single SBOM. This means that information on many servers, cloud instances, container images etc. can be captured in a single SBOM using twigs, eliminating the need for managing several SBOM files.

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AUTOMATION USING TWIGS

Automate the generation and uploading of SBOMs to your secure ThreatWorx instance for assessment using twigs. For e.g.

```
$ twigs --sbom mycontainer.json docker --image mycontainerapp:v1.0.0
```

```
$ twigs sbom --input mycontainer.json --standard threatworx --format json
```



EXPORT SBOM FROM CONSOLE

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CHOOSE AN ASSET

From the main menu navigate to the Asset -> Manage page and click on an asset in the table. Currently SBOM export is only supported for assets of type "Source Repository".

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EXPORT THE SBOM

Click on the options to export a CycloneDX SBOM in either a JSON or XML format. The generated SBOM complies with the v1.4 CycloneDX standard. However it will not include information on SAST, IaC, code secrets which is currently supported only by the ThreatWorx SBOM standard.

The screenshot displays the ThreatWorx console interface for an asset named 'airflow-spdx'. The top navigation bar includes 'Assets', 'About', 'SBOM Details', 'Vulnerable Components', 'Misconfigurations', 'Code Secrets', 'Code Vulnerabilities', 'Software Composition', 'Dependencies', 'Tags', and 'Owners'. The 'SBOM Details' tab is active, showing two options: 'Export As CycloneDX (JSON)' and 'Export As CycloneDX (XML)', both of which are circled in red. Below the navigation bar, the 'Asset Risk Score Timeline' is visible, showing a risk score of 75 for the asset 'airflow-spdx' on July 18, 2023.

UPLOAD SBOM TO CONSOLE

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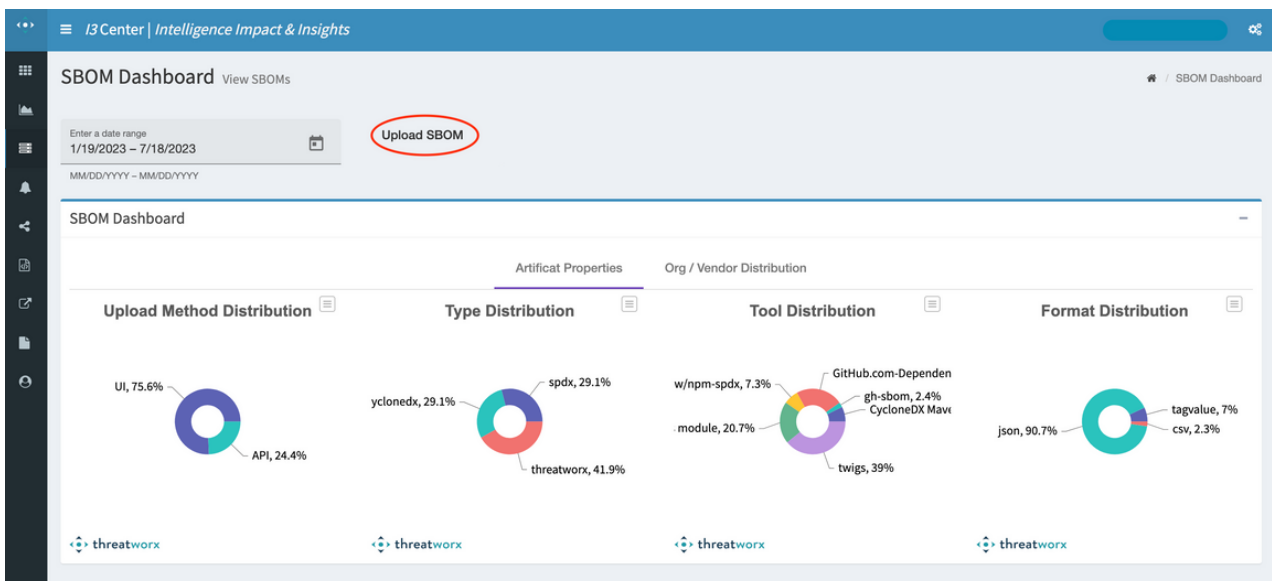
GET AN SBOM

Procure an SBOM from your partners, vendors, or business units within your organization. ThreatWorx currently supports SPDX (json, tagvalue) and CycloneDX (json) in addition to our own standard SBOM in json and csv formats.

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NAVIGATE TO SBOM DASHBOARD

Go to Assets->SBOM Dashboard in the ThreatWorx console and click on the Upload SBOM button.



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UPLOAD THE SBOM

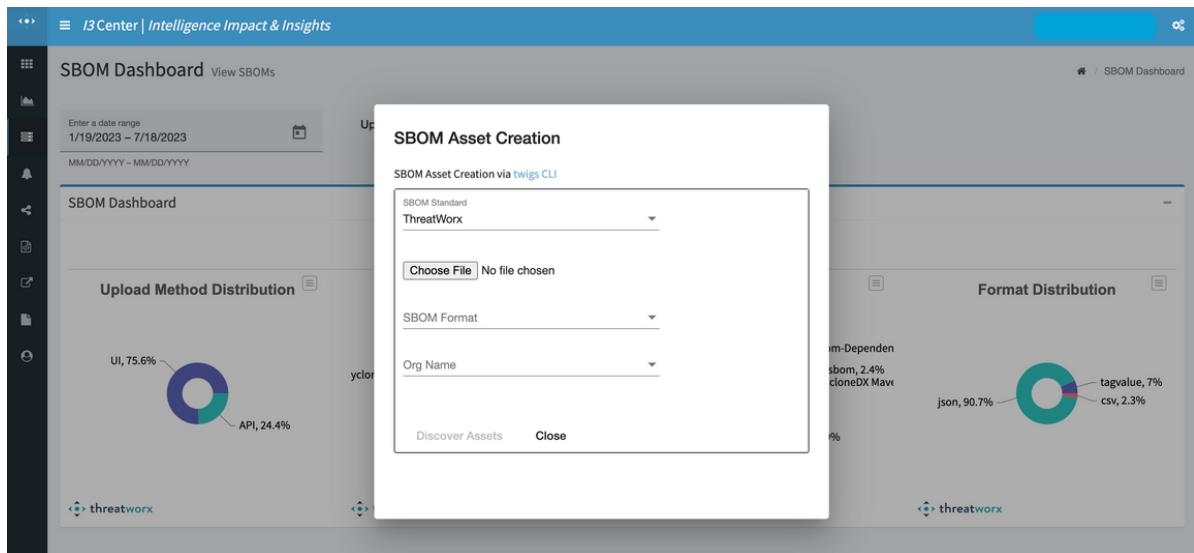
Select the SBOM file and the correct standard and format and upload the SBOM.

A unique asset id is required while uploading non-ThreatWorx SBOMs.

You could also optionally associate this SBOM to a vendor (i.e. Org) created in the ThreatWorx console. Select the right one from the available Orgs.

Once the SBOM is uploaded the platform will represent it as one (or more) assets, do a full threat and risk assessment on it and continue to track any new vulnerabilities reported against the SBOM components.

You can also track the SBOM artifact itself using the Assets->SBOM Dashboard.



The screenshot displays the ThreatWorx SBOM Dashboard interface. A modal window titled "SBOM Asset Creation" is open, allowing users to upload a new SBOM. The modal includes the following fields and options:

- SBOM Standard:** A dropdown menu currently set to "ThreatWorx".
- File Selection:** A "Choose File" button with the text "No file chosen" next to it.
- SBOM Format:** A dropdown menu.
- Org Name:** A dropdown menu.
- Buttons:** "Discover Assets" and "Close" buttons at the bottom of the modal.

The background dashboard shows various charts and data points:

- Upload Method Distribution:** A donut chart showing UI at 75.6% and API at 24.4%.
- Format Distribution:** A donut chart showing json at 90.7%, tagvalue at 7%, and csv at 2.3%.



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UPLOAD THE SBOM USING TWIGS

Point twigs to your dedicated ThreatWorx instance as explained in the guide [here](#) and then upload the SBOM using the right standard and format switches:

```
twigs sbom --input vendorsbom1 --standard spdx --  
format json --assetid vendorasset1
```

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You could also optionally associate this SBOM to a vendor i.e. Org created in the ThreatWorx console by using the --org switch e.g.

```
twigs sbom --input vendorsbom1 --standard spdx --  
format json --assetid vendorasset1 --org Acme
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