

Dataproc staging and temp buckets

When you create a cluster, by default, Dataproc creates a Cloud Storage staging and a Cloud Storage temp bucket (</storage/docs/key-terms#buckets>) in your project or reuses existing Dataproc-created staging and temp buckets from previous cluster creation requests.

- **Staging bucket:** Used to stage cluster job dependencies, job driver output (/dataproc/docs/guides/driver-output#accessing_job_driver_output), and cluster config files. Also receives output from the Cloud SDK gcloud dataproc clusters diagnose (</dataproc/docs/support/diagnose-command>) command.
- **Temp bucket:** Used to store ephemeral cluster and jobs data, such as Spark and MapReduce history files.

If you do not specify a staging or temp bucket, Dataproc sets a Cloud Storage location in US, ASIA, or EU (</storage/docs/locations#location-mr>) for your cluster's staging and temp buckets according to the Compute Engine zone where your cluster is deployed, and then creates and manages these project-level, per-location buckets. Dataproc-created staging and temp buckets are shared among clusters in the same region. By default, temp bucket has a TTL of 90 days.

Instead of relying on the creation of a default staging and temp bucket, you can specify existing Cloud Storage buckets that Dataproc will use as your cluster's staging and temp bucket.

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Run the `gcloud dataproc clusters create` command with the `--bucket` (</sdk/gcloud/reference/dataproc/clusters/create#--bucket>) and/or `--temp-bucket` (</sdk/gcloud/reference/dataproc/clusters/create#--temp-bucket>) flags locally in a terminal window or in [Cloud Shell](https://console.cloud.google.com/?cloudshell=true) (<https://console.cloud.google.com/?cloudshell=true>) to specify your cluster's staging and/or temp bucket.

```
$ gcloud dataproc clusters create cluster-name \  
  --region=region \  
  --bucket=bucket-name \  
  --temp-bucket=bucket-name \  
  other args ...
```

Dataproc uses a defined folder structure for Cloud Storage buckets attached to clusters. Dataproc also supports attaching more than one cluster to a Cloud Storage bucket. The folder structure used for saving job driver output in Cloud Storage is:

```
-storage-bucket-name
google-cloud-dataproc-metainfo
list of cluster IDs
- list of job IDs
- list of output logs for a job
```

You can use the `gcloud` command line tool, Dataproc API, or Google Cloud Console to list the name of a cluster's staging and temp buckets.

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Run the `gcloud dataproc clusters describe` (`/sdk/gcloud/reference/dataproc/clusters/describe`) command locally in a terminal window or in [Cloud Shell](https://console.cloud.google.com/?cloudshell=true) (<https://console.cloud.google.com/?cloudshell=true>). The staging and temp buckets associated with your cluster are listed in the output.

```
$ gcloud dataproc clusters describe cluster-name \
  --region=region \
...
clusterName: cluster-name
clusterUuid: daa40b3f-5ff5-4e89-9bf1-bcbfec ...
config:
  configBucket: dataproc-...
  ...
  tempBucket: dataproc-temp...
```

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