



Configure Data Sources

Identify the data sources—servers, virtual machines (VMs), shares—that need to be protected and use the methods described in [About Barracuda Backup](#) and [How Backup Works](#) to determine the best backup strategy for your environment. To configure a data source in Barracuda Backup:

1. Log in to Barracuda Backup and select the associated Barracuda Backup device in the left pane or in the devices table (for customers with multiple Barracuda Backup devices).
2. Go to the **Backup > Sources** page, and click **Add a Computer** to identify the system.
3. Complete the following information on the **Add a Computer** page:
 1. **Computer description**
 2. **Computer name**
 3. **Computer type**
 4. *(Optional)* **Enable File Share Backup**
4. Once a computer is added, click **Save**. The **Add Data Source** page displays. Configure any source-specific options, the backup schedule name, the offsite replication destination, then click **Save**.

It is possible for a computer to have multiple data sources configured. An example of this would be a Microsoft Exchange Server which has a Barracuda Backup Agent data source to protect the file system, Exchange databases, and system state and an Exchange Message-Level data source to provide granular email recovery.

5. Once the data source is configured, the **Schedules** page displays. For more information on scheduling backups, see [Backup Scheduling](#).

