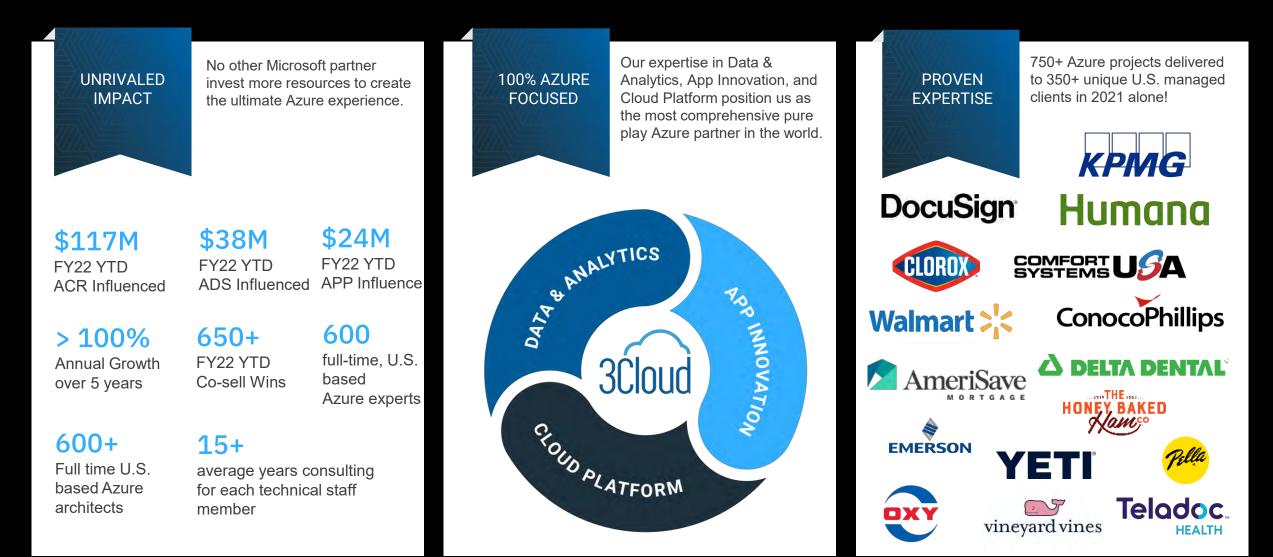
LMAO Helps During Outages

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Why LMAO?



Things Needed For A Strategy

Logs Metrics Alerts Observability Tool

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What Are We Talking About?

Platform Support Strategies

Creating a standard for knowledge sharing

Reduction in mean time to resolution (MTTR)

Building Psychological confidence within your team

Logs & Metrics

- Provide insight into the what and when
- What happened?
 - How many errors
 - How many request
- When did it happen?
 - How long was the duration



Alerts

Pages



Or

Tickets

ID	SATISFACTION	SUBJECT
#1000	04 Unoffered	Phone Call to Caller: +1 (602) 908-2849
#1000	44 Unoffered	LANGUAGE test (dutch) spoke ticket
#1000	70 Unoffered	Phone Call to Caller: +1 (480) 580-4689
#1000	72 Unoffered	signature test – spoke

Alert Trauma

On-Call 365 16hrs a day No way to remote connect to office No logging framework Burned out within 6 months

Little Richard



Managing Alerts Effectively

Scheduling team members appropriately.

Avoid alert fatigue where possible.

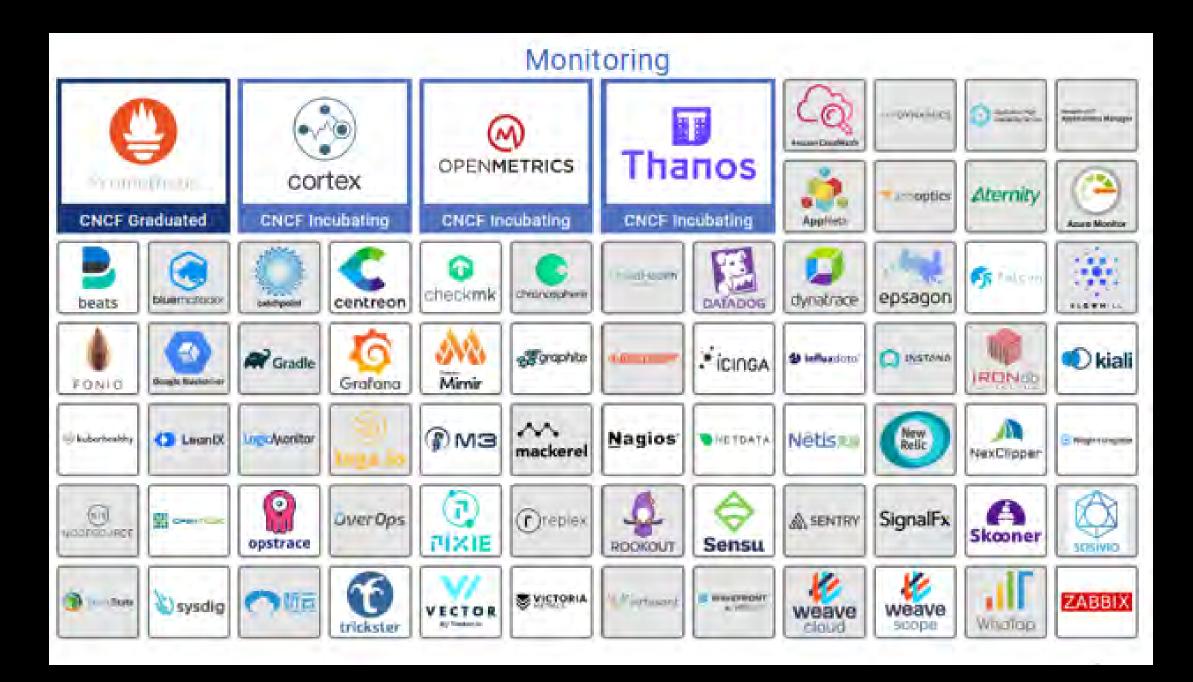
Collect data on the alerts and look for ways to reduce them regularly.

Be cautious when introducing new alerts

Observability

- Keep track of KPI's and SLA's
- Monitor usage
- Helps with spotting trends





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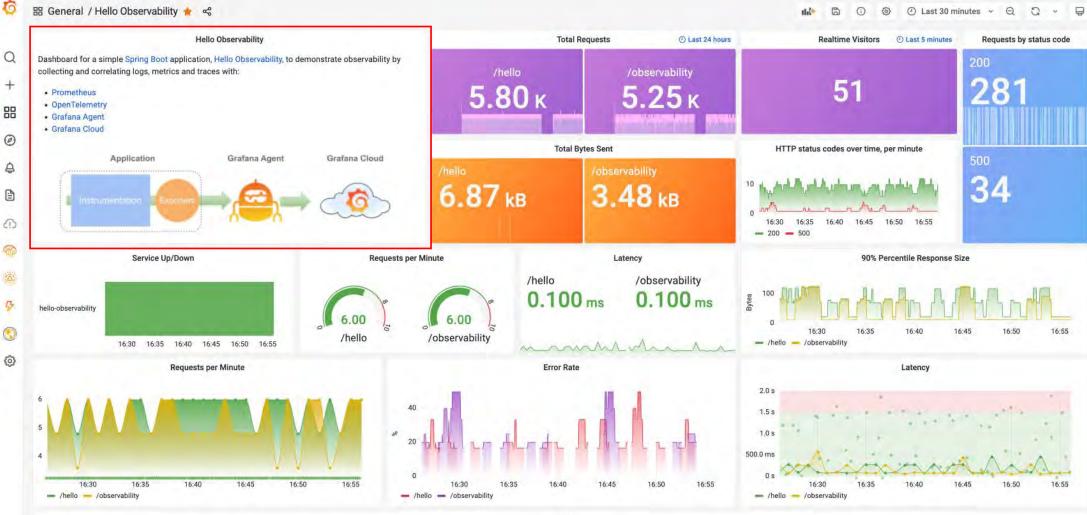


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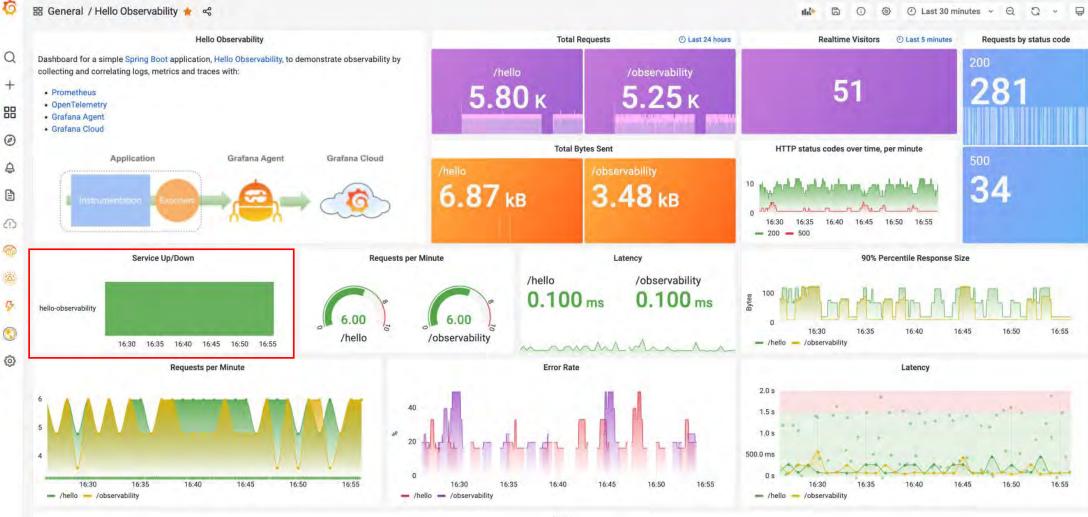
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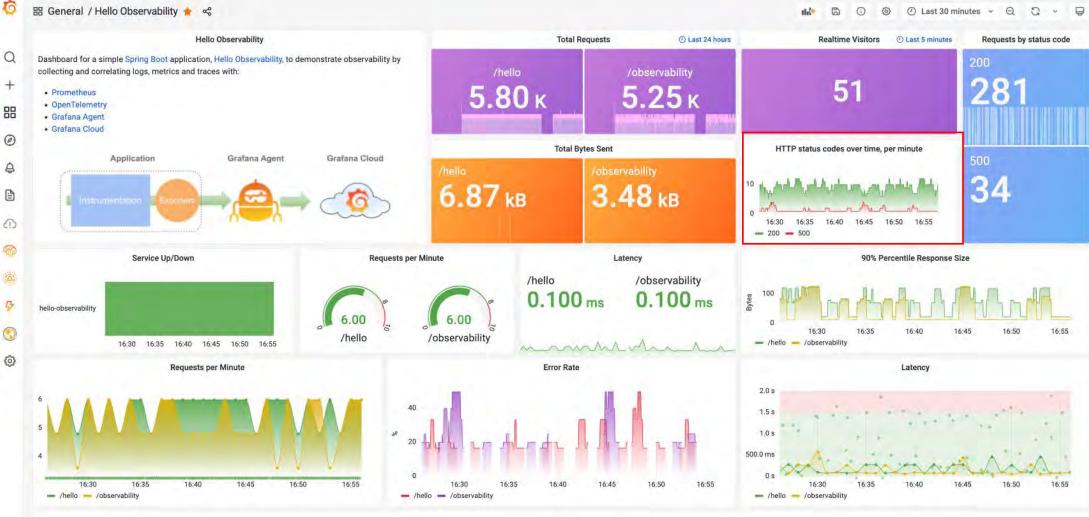
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Preparing The Team

Have a playbook Practice for outages

What Should Be In It?

- Playbook should located where the on-call team will be able to access it quickly.
- Links to application relate observability tools
- Details about the golden signals for application.
- Relevant information from previously outage.
- Application owner contact details
- Anything else you might find important.



Preparation and Training



Practice Chaos Engineering

Concept created by Netflix.

The goal Increase resiliency

Identify and address single points of failure early.

Gives you the ability to test your documentation and processes.

https://techhq.com/2019/03/how-netflix-pioneered-chaos-engineering/

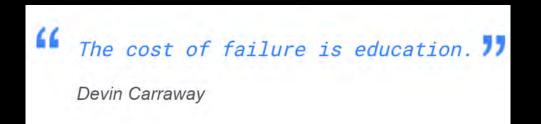


Postmortems



Recap of the Outage

- Should be done within a day or so post incident
- What went right?
- What went wrong?
- Where do we get lucky?



Take Aways

- Have a LMAO strategy in place.
- Have the appropriate documentation ready to go.
- Update documentation regularly.
- Avoid alert fatigue.
- Run readiness preparation drills.



Thank You

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