Identify Access by external user to any Google Drive file on our domain

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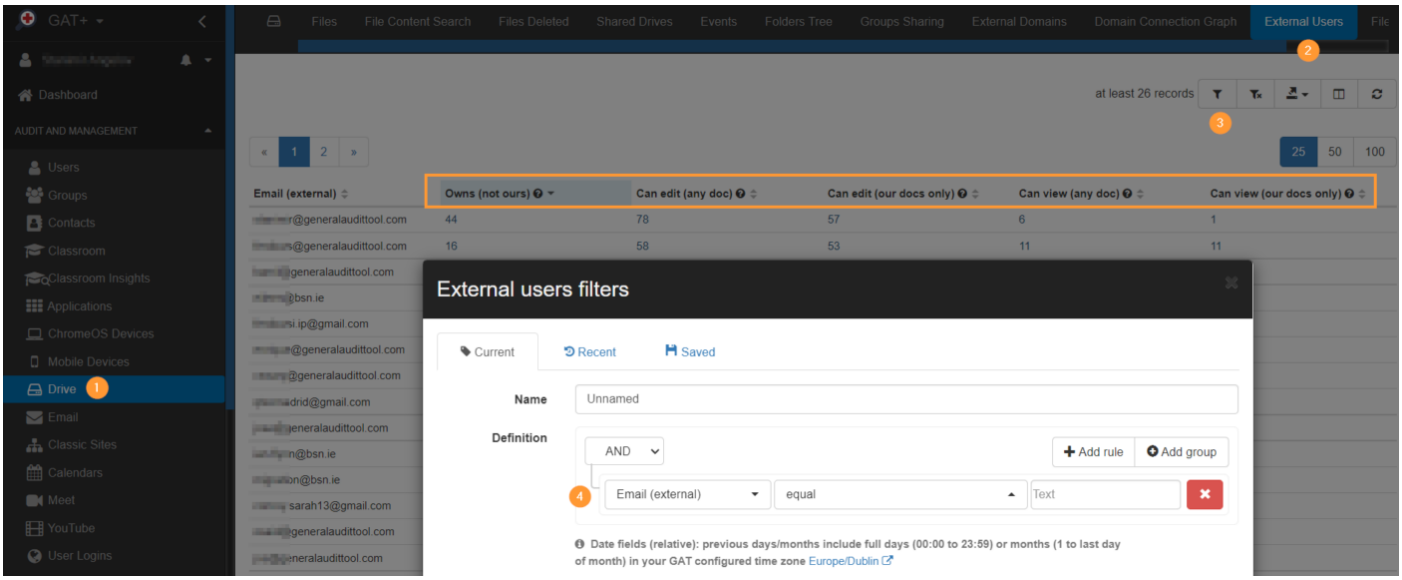
GAT+ offers full comprehensive Google Drive auditing for Google Workspace domains.

An admin can **search and view** Drive shares for the entire domain.

Find external users on your Google Drive files

Navigate to **GAT+ > Drive > External users**

Apply filter to search for the external users - when the result is displayed, you can see the user and what access they have to what files of your domain.



The External users will show a table of each individual external user who has access to any file of your domain.

- Owns (not ours) - Where 'owner' matches the user's email
- Can edit (any doc) - Where contributors contain the user's email
- Can edit (our docs only) - Where contributors contain the user email AND owner matches our domain(s).
- Can view (any doc) - Where viewers contain the user's email

- Can view (our docs only) - Where viewers contain the user email AND owner matches our domain(s).

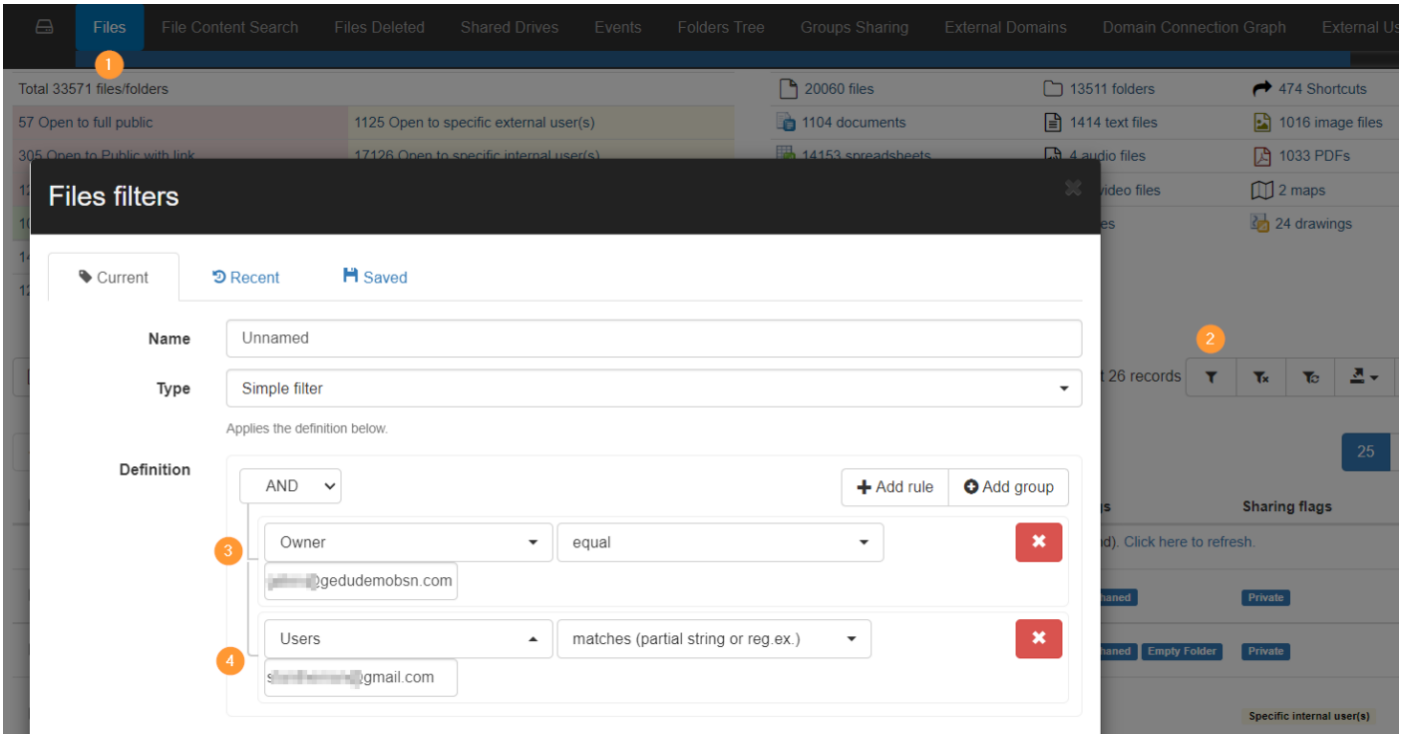
Note: Shared drive contents are not counted in '*can edit (our docs only)*' and '*can view (our docs only)*'

Hovering over the "?" in the table will show what each heading means.

Search by owner or users

Admin can **apply a filter and search** for **how many** files the **user owns.** Maybe by **users** - where the **user has any access to any file/folder** of your domain and so on.

- **Owner** equal '**user's email address**'
- OR
- **Users matches** (partial string or reg. ex) or **list element equal to** gmail.com

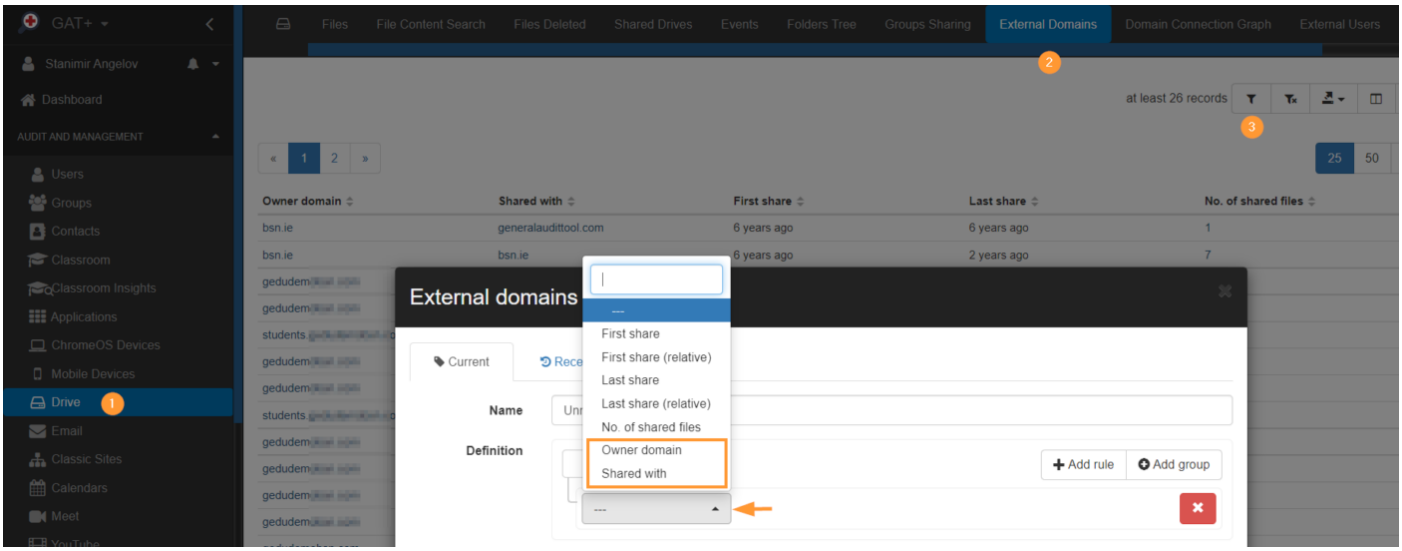


Find externally accessed Google Drive files on the domain level

Navigate to **GAT+ > Drive > External domains**

Admins can apply filters and search

- **Owner domain** - enter the external domain needed
- **Shared with** - enter the external domain a file is 'shared with'



Result

The result of the above will show.

External users on an (**individual level - external users)** and **external domains** - all the files **Shared In** and **From external users**

- **Grey** background - **local user**
- **Orange** background - **external user**

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