

# Using Dashboards In Nagios Fusion 2024

## Purpose

This document describes Nagios Fusion dashboards, what they can be used for, and how they can be managed.

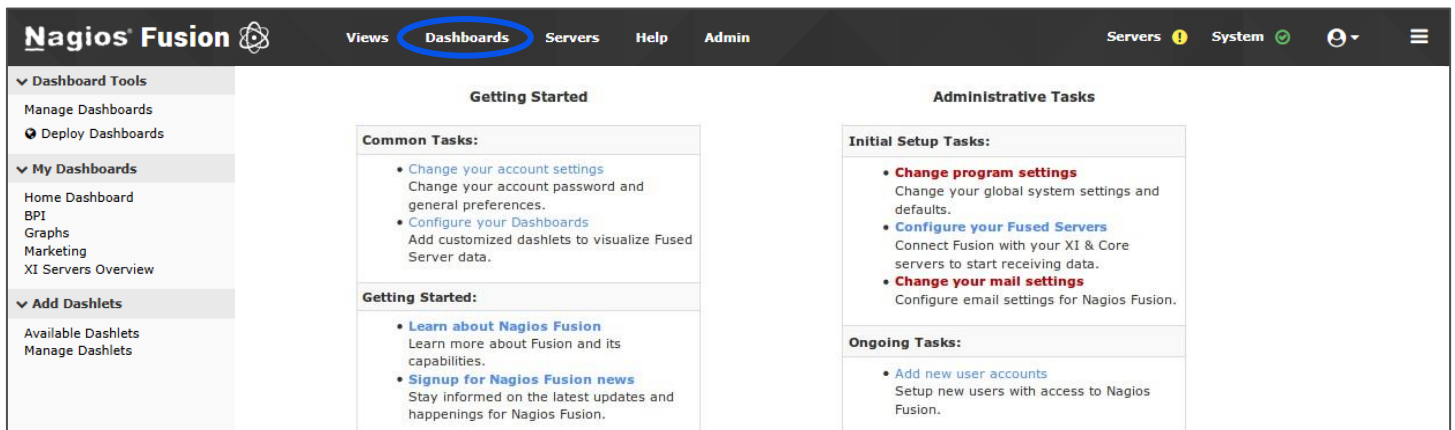
## Dashboards Overview

Dashboards are a powerful feature of Nagios Fusion designed to provide individual users with customized information they find useful. Dashboards are often used to display important, relevant information where it is needed most.

Dashboards are specific to individual Nagios Fusion users. Each user can create their own unique set of dashboards to customize Nagios Fusion to fit their needs.

## Accessing Dashboards

In Nagios Fusion, select **Dashboards** from the navigation bar. This will automatically load the **Home Dashboard**.



The screenshot displays the Nagios Fusion web interface. At the top, the navigation bar includes 'Views', 'Dashboards' (highlighted with a blue circle), 'Servers', 'Help', and 'Admin'. On the right, there are status indicators for 'Servers' (yellow warning), 'System' (green checkmark), and a user profile icon. The main content area is divided into three columns. The left column contains a sidebar with 'Dashboard Tools' (Manage, Deploy), 'My Dashboards' (Home, BPI, Graphs, Marketing, XI Servers Overview), and 'Add Dashlets' (Available, Manage). The middle column, titled 'Getting Started', lists 'Common Tasks' (Change account settings, Configure Dashboards) and 'Getting Started' (Learn about Nagios Fusion, Signup for Nagios Fusion news). The right column, titled 'Administrative Tasks', lists 'Initial Setup Tasks' (Change program settings, Configure Fused Servers, Change mail settings) and 'Ongoing Tasks' (Add new user accounts).

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## Adding Dashboards

1. Nagios Fusion allows users to create multiple customized dashboards. To add a new dashboard, navigate to **Dashboards > Dashboard Tools > Manage Dashboards**. Click the **Add a Dashboard** button.

The screenshot shows the Nagios Fusion interface. The top navigation bar includes 'Views', 'Dashboards', 'Servers', 'Help', and 'Admin'. The left sidebar has 'Dashboard Tools' with 'Manage Dashboards' selected. The main content area is titled 'Manage Dashboards' and contains an 'Add a Dashboard' button. Below the button is a table with the following data:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Dashboard Name	Actions
<input type="checkbox"/>	BPI	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Graphs	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Home Dashboard	
<input type="checkbox"/>	XI Servers Overview	

2. The **Add a Dashboard** screen will appear. Populate the following fields and selections:
  - **Dashboard Name:** Enter a name for the dashboard
  - **Background Information:** Choose a background color
  - **Show in Dashboards Menu:** check the box to show this dashboard in the left side menu
3. Click the **Add Dashboard** button to create the new dashboard.

The 'Add a Dashboard' form contains the following fields and controls:

- Dashboard Name:** Text input field with the value 'Important Stuff'.
- Background Information:** A dropdown menu with a square icon and a downward arrow.
- Show in Dashboards Menu:** A checked checkbox.
- Buttons:** 'Add Dashboard' (blue) and 'Cancel' (grey).

4. Once the dashboard has been created, it will appear under **My Dashboards** in the left side menu. Clicking the dashboard name will reveal an empty dashboard.

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## Managing Dashboards

Dashboards can be edited, hidden, shown, and deleted as required. Hiding and showing can be helpful when the dashboard purpose is not required for a period of time, and you don't want it to appear in the interface.

To manage dashboards:

- Navigate to **Dashboards > Dashboard Tools > Manage Dashboards**.
- Use the icons in the **Actions** column to edit, hide, show, and delete individual dashboards.
- To perform actions on multiple dashboards at once, select their checkboxes in the left column and use the **With Selected** icons below for bulk actions.

### Manage Dashboards

Create, edit, and remove dashboards from your dashboard list.

[Add a Dashboard](#)

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<input type="checkbox"/> Dashboard Name	Actions
<input type="checkbox"/> BPI	
<input type="checkbox"/> Graphs	
<input type="checkbox"/> Home Dashboard	
<input type="checkbox"/> XI Servers Overview	

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With Selected:

## Adding Dashlets

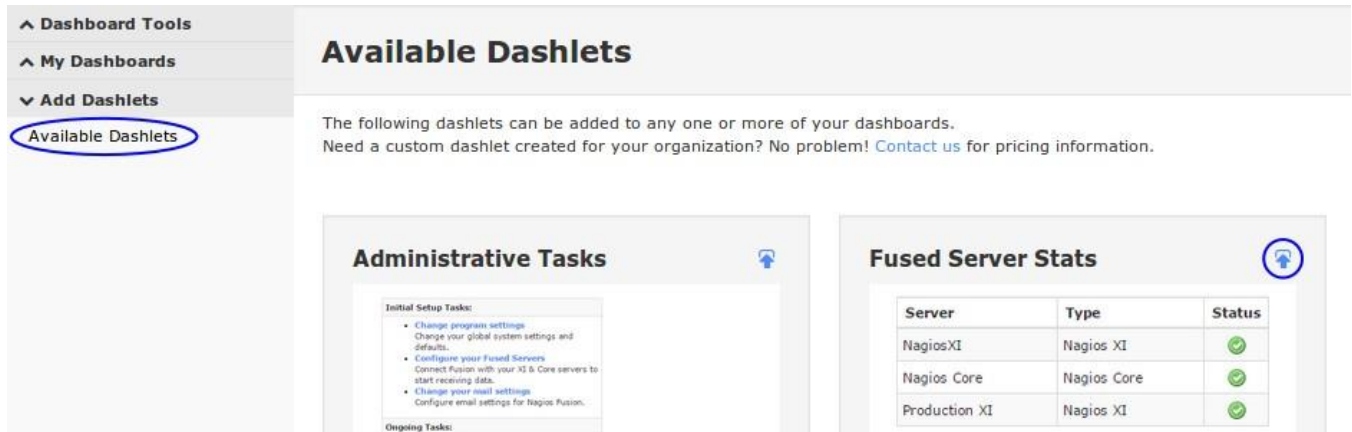
A dashboard is simply an empty page until you add a dashlet to it. Dashlets are nearly everywhere in the Nagios Fusion interface.

### Add this to a dashboard

- Wherever you see this icon, you can add that graphical element to any dashboard.

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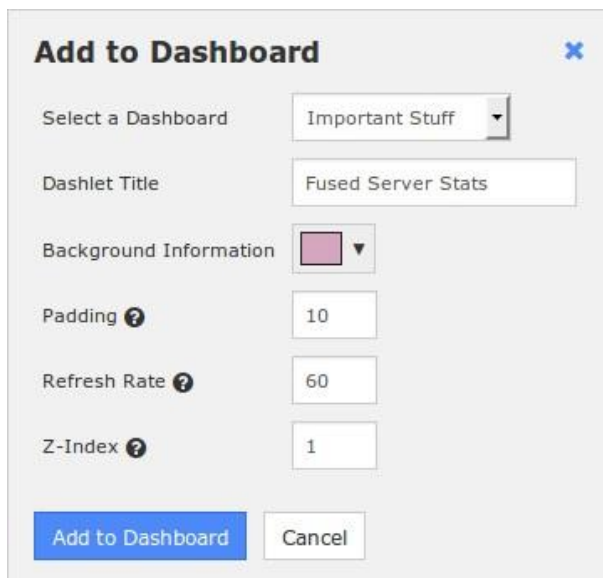
1. Navigate to **Dashboards > Add Dashlets > Available Dashlets** to view the current list of available dashlets.



The following dashlets can be added to any one or more of your dashboards.  
Need a custom dashlet created for your organization? No problem! [Contact us](#) for pricing information.

Server	Type	Status
NagiosXI	Nagios XI	✓
Nagios Core	Nagios Core	✓
Production XI	Nagios XI	✓

2. To add a dashlet to a dashboard, click the **Add this to a dashboard** icon for that dashlet.
3. The **Add to Dashboard** window appears. The **Fused Server Stats** dashlet being added in this example provides several settings. The most important setting is selecting which dashboard you want to add the dashlet to.
4. Click the **Add to Dashboard** button to add the dashlet to the selected dashboard.



**Add to Dashboard** ✕

Select a Dashboard: Important Stuff

Dashlet Title: Fused Server Stats

Background Information: [Color Picker]

Padding: 10

Refresh Rate: 60

Z-Index: 1

**Add to Dashboard** Cancel

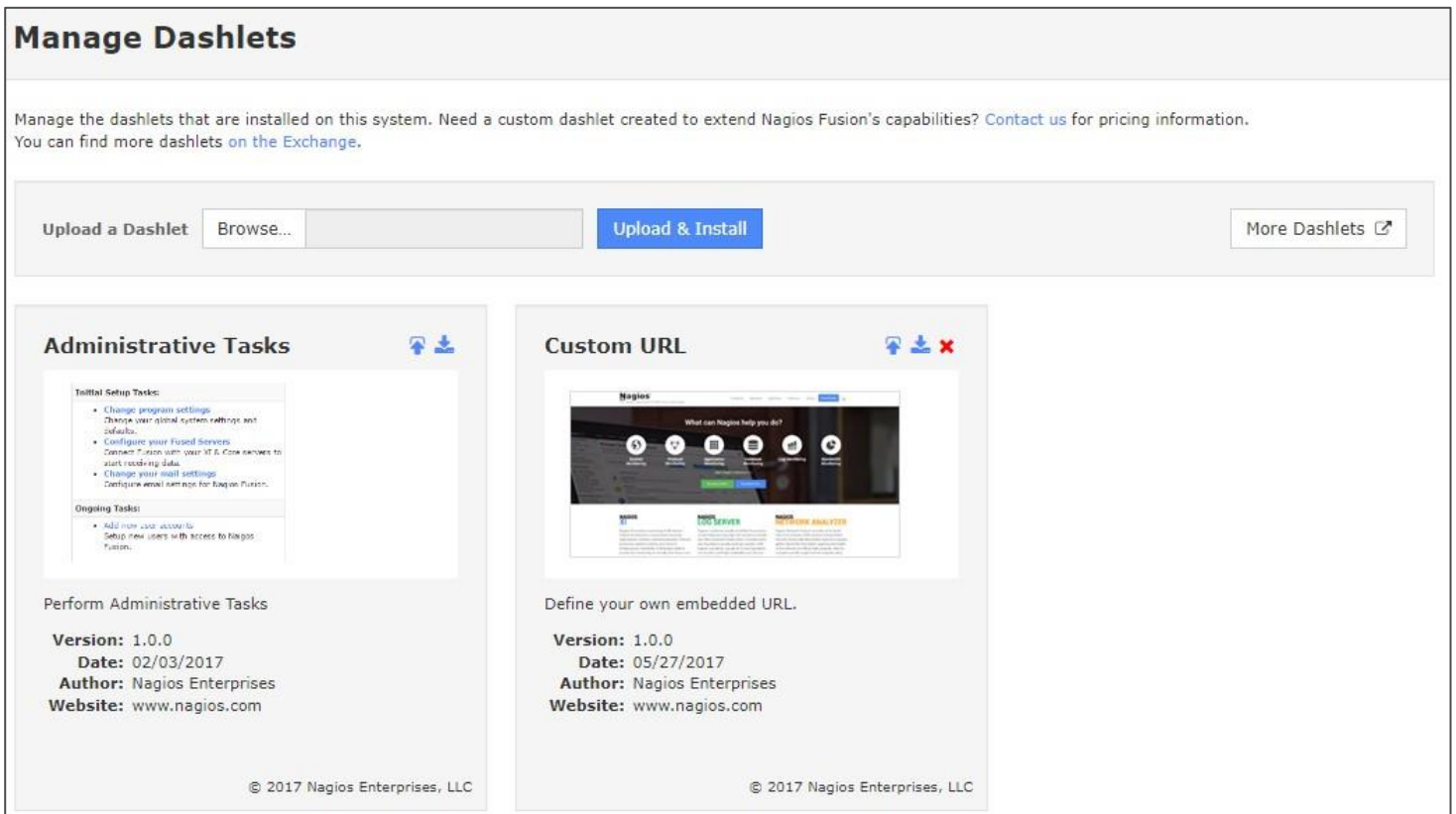
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5. After adding the dashlet, navigate to the dashboard you added it to. In our example, we navigate to **Dashboards > My Dashboards > Important Stuff**.



## Manage Dashlets

Navigate to **Dashboards > Add Dashlets > Manage Dashlets** to manage the dashlets installed on this system. You can download and edit existing dashlets or upload a new dashlet. Additional dashlets are available on the Nagios Exchange.



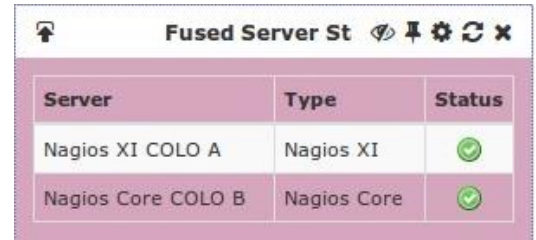
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## Editing Dashlets

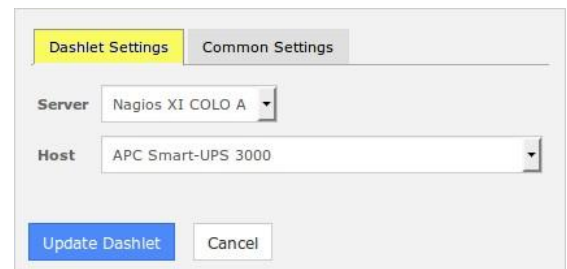
This screenshot shows the **Fused Server Stats** dashlet after being added to a dashboard. When hovering over the dashlet, its border becomes visible along with five icons in the top right corner.

- ✕ The x icon deletes the dashlet from your dashboard.
- ↻ The refresh icon refreshes the contents of the dashlet.
- ⚙ The gear icon lets you modify the dashlet settings:

- **Dashlet Settings**
  - Some dashlets have unique settings that can be adjusted here. The **Fused Server Stats** dashlet does not have these settings. The **Host Status** dashlet does and allows you to change the Nagios **Server** and **Host** object.
- **Common Settings**
  - **Dashlet Title**
  - **Background Information** (color)
  - **Padding**
  - **Refresh Rate**
  - **Z-Index**
- Click the **Update Dashlet** button to save any changes



Server	Type	Status
Nagios XI COLO A	Nagios XI	🟢
Nagios Core COLO B	Nagios Core	🟢

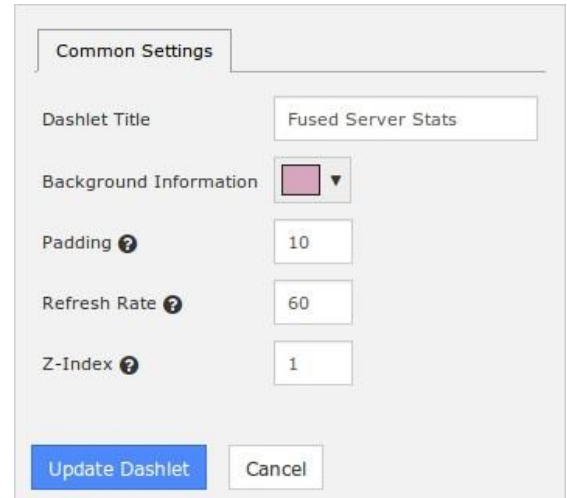


Dashlet Settings Common Settings

Server: Nagios XI COLO A

Host: APC Smart-UPS 3000

Update Dashlet Cancel



Common Settings

Dashlet Title: Fused Server Stats

Background Information: [Color]

Padding: 10

Refresh Rate: 60

Z-Index: 1

Update Dashlet Cancel

- 📌 The pin icon pins the dashlet to the dashboard so it can't be moved around.
- 📌 Clicking the pin icon again unpins the dashlet.
- 👁 The eye icon hides the title of the dashlet.
- 👁 Clicking the eye icon again shows the title.

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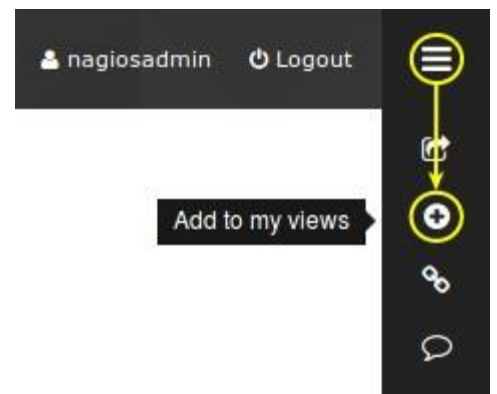
## Popout or Full Screen A Dashboard

Sometimes you don't need the navigation bar or left side menu when viewing a dashboard. On the far right of the navigation bar there is an icon with three horizontal lines. When you hover over this icon a drop-down list of icons appears. Click the **Popout** icon to open the current dashboard into a new tab/window.



## Add Dashboard To A View

Users can add dashboards to their **Views** page to be included in the views rotation. On the far right of the navigation bar there is an icon with three horizontal lines. When you hover over this icon a drop-down list of icons appears.



1. Click the **Add to my views** (+) icon to add the current dashboard to your views.
2. A popup window will appear. Provide a **View Title**.

A screenshot of a 'Add View' popup window. The window has a title bar with 'Add View' and a close button (an 'x' in a blue square). Below the title, it says 'Use this to add what you see on the screen to your Views page'. There is a section labeled 'View Title' with a text input field containing the text 'Important Stuff'. At the bottom of the window is a blue button labeled 'Add to Views'.

3. Click the **Add to Views** button to add the dashboard to your views.
4. Navigate to the **Views** page and this dashboard will be listed under **My Views**.

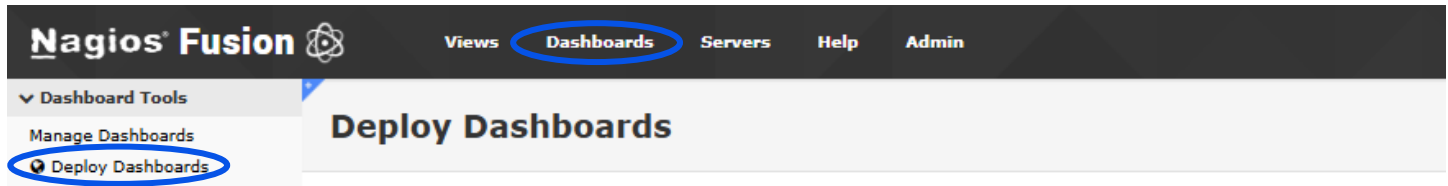
For more information about **Views** please refer to the [Using Views In Nagios Fusion](#) documentation.



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## Deploy Dashboards

Nagios Fusion allows you to deploy your dashboards to other users, but only a Nagios Fusion Administrator can perform this action. To deploy dashboards, navigate to **Dashboards > Dashboard Tools > Deploy Dashboards**. When deploying dashboards there are several options available.



1. Select which dashboards you want to deploy by checking the boxes in the **Deploy** column.
2. Provide a name for each dashboard in the **Destination Name** column.
3. Checking the box in the **Sync** column ensures that if a dashboard is updated, it will be updated to all the users it was deployed to. Users will not be able to change synced dashboards.
4. The **Home** column sets the selected dashboard as the user's home screen dashboard.
5. The **Screen** column sets the selected dashboard as the user's screen dashboard. This means that the dashboard will be present for every page the user visits.
6. Select the users in the **Deploy to Users** section who should receive the dashboards selected in the options above.
7. Click **Deploy Dashboards**.

### Deploy Dashboards

This tool allows admins to deploy one or more of their own dashboards to other users. This can be useful when you design a dashboard that other users may want access to. If you want each user's copy of your dashboard to stay synchronized with your dashboard, select the 'Sync' option.

[Click here to manage synced dashboards you've deployed.](#)

#### Dashboards To Deploy

Specify which of your dashboards should be deployed. If you choose to override a user's home or screen dashboard, please note that you can't choose the same dashboard for both.

Deploy	Source Name	Destination Name	Sync ?	Home ?	Screen ?
<input type="checkbox"/>			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Home Dashboard	<input type="text" value="Home Dashboard"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Important Stuff	<input type="text" value="Important Stuff"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	SCREEN	<input type="text" value="SCREEN"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

#### Deploy to Users

Specify which users the dashboards should be deployed to.

Check or uncheck all users.

Nagios Administrator (nagiosadmin)  
 Troy Lea (troylea)

Deploy Dashboards

Cancel



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## Managing Synced Dashboards

To manage synced dashboards, navigate to **Dashboards > Dashboard Tools > Deploy Dashboards > Manage Synced Dashboards**. Here you can:

- **Remove** dashboards from being deployed
  - Completely remove the dashboard from the user
- **Unsync** a dashboard
  - Allows users to keep the dashboard and allows them to edit the dashboard

The screenshot shows the Nagios Fusion interface. The top navigation bar includes 'Views', 'Dashboards' (circled in blue), 'Servers', 'Help', and 'Admin'. The left sidebar has 'Dashboard Tools' (with 'Deploy Dashboards' circled in blue), 'My Dashboards', and 'Add Dashlets'. The main content area is titled 'Deploy Dashboards' and has two tabs: 'Deploy Dashboards' and 'Manage Synced Dashboards' (circled in blue). Below the tabs, there is a text instruction: 'Use this utility to unsynchronize or remove any dashboards that you've deployed. When you synchronize a dashboard...'. Underneath is a section for 'Synchronized Dashboards' with another instruction: 'Use this table to specify which dashboards to unsync or remove.' The table has five columns: 'Remove', 'Unsync', 'Deployed From', 'Dashboard Name', and 'User'. One row is visible with 'Important Stuff' in the 'Dashboard Name' and 'User' columns. At the bottom, there are two buttons: 'Un-Deploy Dashboards' and 'Cancel'.

## Finishing Up

This completes the documentation on using dashboards in Nagios Fusion. If you have additional questions or other support-related questions, please visit us at our Nagios Support Forum, Nagios Knowledge Base, or Nagios Library:

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