ClearView AI

COMPARISON SHEET

GFI ClearView AI *vs* Manage Engine Netflow Analyzer



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GFI ClearView AI shows you what's really moving across your network

GFI ClearView AI gives network managers application-level visibility into how bandwidth gets used. It recognizes more than 2,500 applications out of the box, maps traffic back to specific users through Active Directory, and breaks usage down by host, subnet, application, and conversation. Reporting runs in real time at intervals as tight as one second, and performance scoring tells you when a critical application is degrading rather than just how much traffic it is pushing.

The AI in the name is the working part. An advisor analyzes your traffic and surfaces recommendations on where to act, and a CLI assistant answers configuration questions in plain language.

ManageEngine NetFlow Analyzer matches GFI ClearView AI on the groundwork: bandwidth by host and application, top talkers, scheduled reporting, geolocation. The difference is depth. GFI ClearView AI recognizes more than 2,500 applications natively against roughly 150, refreshes down to one second where NetFlow Analyzer stops at 60, and adds a performance layer it mostly leaves out: scoring, thresholds, low-performance alerts. NetFlow Analyzer leads on two fronts GFI ClearView AI does not, network maps and a mobile app. The charts below break it down feature by feature.

General Features	ClearView AI	NetFlow Analyzer
Pre-Installed Database	✓	✓
Ability To Export Data	✓	✓
Data Retention	2 years	2 years
Central Management	✓	✓

Bandwidth usage	ClearView AI	NetFlow Analyzer
By Hosts	✓	✓
By Subnets	✓	✓
By Applications	✓	✓
By Application Groups	✓	✓
By Conversations	✓	✓
Identify Bandwidth Hogging Users	✓	✓

Bandwidth usage

	ClearView AI	NetFlow Analyzer
Identify Bandwidth Hogging Applications	✓	✓
Top Applications	✓	✓
Top Hosts	✓	✓
Top Users	✓	✓
Top Application Groups	✓	✓
Recreational Traffic Usage	✓	✗
Quota/Threshold Based Limits (Data And Time Duration)	✓	✓
Recommendation Engine	✓	✗

Visibility

	ClearView AI	NetFlow Analyzer
1 Second Interval For Real-Time Monitoring	✓	✗
10 Seconds Interval For Real-Time Monitoring	✓	✗
30 Seconds Interval For Real-Time Monitoring	✓	✗
60 Seconds Interval For Real-Time Monitoring	✓	✓
Natively Recognized Applications	2500+	~ 150
Active Directory Integration For IP/User Mapping	✓	✓
Ability To Add Custom Applications	✓	✓
Custom Applications By Specific Port Or Protocol	✓	✓

Visibility

	ClearView AI	NetFlow Analyzer
Custom Applications By L7 Signatures	✓	✗
Custom Applications By DSCP Code	✓	✗
Host TCP Health	✓	✗
Application TCP Health	✓	✗
Protocol Visibility (Layer 4)	✓	✓
Application Visibility (Layer 7)	✓	✓
Network Maps	✗	✓
Geolocation IP	✓	✓

Performance

	ClearView AI	NetFlow Analyzer
Critical Applications Performance Monitoring	✓	✗
Application Performance Scoring	✓	✗
Application Performance Metrics	✓	✓
Ability To Configure Performance Thresholds For Applications	✓	✗
Low Performance Alerts	✓	✗
Remote Site/Service Monitoring	✓	✗
Dedicated Report For VoIP Traffic Metrics (MOS, Jitter, Etc.)	✓	✓

Reporting, management & others

	ClearView AI	NetFlow Analyzer
Schedule Reports/Send Via Email	✓	✓
On-Demand Reports	✓	✓
Report Formats	PDF, CSV	PDF, CSV
Add Custom Logo	✓	✓
Password Protected Reports	✓	✓
Mobile App	✗	✓

Artificial Intelligence

	ClearView AI	NetFlow Analyzer
Advisor For Traffic Analysis	✓	✓
AI Driven Recommendations	✓	✓
AI CLI Assistant	✓	✗

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