NAME

statfs, fstatfs - get filesystem statistics

SYNOPSIS

```
#include <sys/vfs.h> /* or <sys/statfs.h> */
int statfs(const char *path, struct statfs *buf);
int fstatfs(int fd, struct statfs *buf);
```

DESCRIPTION

The **statfs**() system call returns information about a mounted filesystem. *path* is the pathname of any file within the mounted filesystem. *buf* is a pointer to a *statfs* structure defined approximately as follows:

```
struct statfs {
   __fsword_t f_type;
                       /* Type of filesystem (see below) */
    __fsword_t f_bsize; /* Optimal transfer block size */
   fsblkcnt_t f_blocks; /* Total data blocks in filesystem */
   fsblkcnt_t f_bfree; /* Free blocks in filesystem */
   fsblkcnt_t f_bavail; /* Free blocks available to
                           unprivileged user */
   fsfilcnt_t f_files; /* Total file nodes in filesystem */
   fsfilcnt_t f_ffree; /* Free file nodes in filesystem */
   fsid_t f_fsid; /* Filesystem ID */
   __fsword_t f_namelen; /* Maximum length of filenames */
   __fsword_t f_frsize; /* Fragment size (since Linux 2.6) */
   __fsword_t f_flags; /* Mount flags of filesystem
                            (since Linux 2.6.36) */
   __fsword_t f_spare[xxx];
                   /* Padding bytes reserved for future use */
};
```

The following filesystem types may appear in f_{type} :

```
ADFS_SUPER_MAGIC
AFFS_SUPER_MAGIC
AFFS_SUPER_MAGIC
AFS_SUPER_MAGIC
AFS_SUPER_MAGIC

ANON_INODE_FS_MAGIC

AUTOFS_SUPER_MAGIC

AUTOFS_SUPER_MAGIC

BDEVFS_MAGIC

BEFS_SUPER_MAGIC

CX09041934

/* Anonymous inode FS (for pseudofiles that have no name; e.g., epoll, signalfd, bpf) */

AUTOFS_SUPER_MAGIC

CX026446576

BEFS_SUPER_MAGIC

DX1badface
BINFMTFS_MAGIC

BTFS_MAGIC

BTRFS_MAGIC

CX242494e4d

BPF_FS_MAGIC

CX3727279

CGROUP_SUPER_MAGIC

CGROUP_SUPER_MAGIC

CY37327279

CGROUP_SUPER_MAGIC

CGROUP_SUPER_MAGIC

CIFS_MAGIC_NUMBER

CUFS_MAGIC_NUMBER

CUFS_MAGIC_NUMBER

CODA_SUPER_MAGIC

CX73757245

COH_SUPER_MAGIC

CX28cd3d45

DEBUGFS_MAGIC

DEVFS_SUPER_MAGIC

CX1373

/* Linux 2.6.17 and earlier */
DEVPTS_SUPER_MAGIC

CX615f

EFIVARFS_MAGIC

OX625e81e4
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EFS_SUPER_MAGIC 0 \times 00414a53 EXT_SUPER_MAGIC 0 \times 137d /* Linux 2.0 and earlier */
EXT2_OLD_SUPER_MAGIC 0xef51
EXT2_SUPER_MAGIC 0xef53
EXT3_SUPER_MAGIC 0xef53
EXT4_SUPER_MAGIC 0xef53
F2FS_SUPER_MAGIC 0xf2f52010
FUSE_SUPER_MAGIC 0x65735546
HFS_SUPER_MAGIC 0x4244
MQUEUE_MAGIC 0x19800202 /* POSIX message queue FS */ MSDOS_SUPER_MAGIC 0x4d44 ^{\prime\prime}
OPENPROM_SUPER_MAGIC 0x9fa1
OVERLAYFS_SUPER_MAGIC 0x794c7630
PIPEFS_MAGIC 0x50495045
PROC_SUPER_MAGIC 0x9fa0 /* /proc FS */
PSTOREFS_MAGIC 0x6165676c
QNX4_SUPER_MAGIC 0x68191122
RAMFS_MAGIC 0x858458f6
REISERFS_SUPER_MAGIC 0x52654973
ROMFS_MAGIC 0x7275
SECURITYFS_MAGIC 0x73636673
SELINUX_MAGIC 0xf97cff8c
SMACK_MAGIC 0x43415d53

      SMACK_MAGIC
      0x43415d53

      SMB_SUPER_MAGIC
      0x517b

      SOCKFS_MAGIC
      0x534f434b

      SQUASHFS_MAGIC
      0x73717368

      SYSFS_MAGIC
      0x62656572

      SYSV2_SUPER_MAGIC
      0x012ff7b6

      SYSV4_SUPER_MAGIC
      0x012ff7b5

      TMPFS_MAGIC
      0x01021994

      TRACEFS_MAGIC
      0x74726163

      UDF_SUPER_MAGIC
      0x15013346

      UFS_MAGIC
      0x00011954

USBDEVICE_SUPER_MAGIC 0x9fa2
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V9FS_MAGIC 0x01021997

VXFS_SUPER_MAGIC 0xa501fcf5

XENFS_SUPER_MAGIC 0xabba1974

XENIX_SUPER_MAGIC 0x012ff7b4

XFS_SUPER_MAGIC 0x58465342

_XIAFS_SUPER_MAGIC 0x012fd16d /* Linux 2.0 and earlier */
```

Most of these MAGIC constants are defined in /usr/include/linux/magic.h, and some are hardcoded in kernel sources.

The *f_flags* field is a bit mask indicating mount options for the filesystem. It contains zero or more of the following bits:

ST_MANDLOCK

Mandatory locking is permitted on the filesystem (see **fcntl**(2)).

ST NOATIME

Do not update access times; see **mount**(2).

ST_NODEV

Disallow access to device special files on this filesystem.

ST_NODIRATIME

Do not update directory access times; see **mount**(2).

ST_NOEXEC

Execution of programs is disallowed on this filesystem.

ST NOSUID

The set-user-ID and set-group-ID bits are ignored by exec(3) for executable files on this filesystem

ST RDONLY

This filesystem is mounted read-only.

ST_RELATIME

Update atime relative to mtime/ctime; see **mount**(2).

ST SYNCHRONOUS

Writes are synched to the filesystem immediately (see the description of **O_SYNC** in **open**(2)).

Nobody knows what f_f is supposed to contain (but see below).

Fields that are undefined for a particular filesystem are set to 0.

fstatfs() returns the same information about an open file referenced by descriptor fd.

RETURN VALUE

On success, zero is returned. On error, -1 is returned, and errno is set appropriately.

ERRORS

EACCES

(**statfs**()) Search permission is denied for a component of the path prefix of *path*. (See also **path_resolution**(7).)

EBADF

(**fstatfs**()) fd is not a valid open file descriptor.

EFAULT

buf or path points to an invalid address.

EINTR

The call was interrupted by a signal; see **signal**(7).

EIO An I/O error occurred while reading from the filesystem.

ELOOP

(statfs()) Too many symbolic links were encountered in translating path.

ENAMETOOLONG

(**statfs**()) *path* is too long.

ENOENT

(**statfs**()) The file referred to by *path* does not exist.

ENOMEM

Insufficient kernel memory was available.

ENOSYS

The filesystem does not support this call.

ENOTDIR

(statfs()) A component of the path prefix of path is not a directory.

EOVERFLOW

Some values were too large to be represented in the returned struct.

CONFORMING TO

Linux-specific. The Linux **statfs**() was inspired by the 4.4BSD one (but they do not use the same structure).

NOTES

The __fsword_t type used for various fields in the *statfs* structure definition is a glibc internal type, not intended for public use. This leaves the programmer in a bit of a conundrum when trying to copy or compare these fields to local variables in a program. Using *unsigned int* for such variables suffices on most systems.

The original Linux **statfs**() and **fstatfs**() system calls were not designed with extremely large file sizes in mind. Subsequently, Linux 2.6 added new **statfs64**() and **fstatfs64**() system calls that employ a new structure, *statfs64*. The new structure contains the same fields as the original *statfs* structure, but the sizes of various fields are increased, to accommodate large file sizes. The glibc **statfs**() and **fstatfs**() wrapper functions transparently deal with the kernel differences.

Some systems have only $\langle sys/vfs.h \rangle$, other systems also have $\langle sys/statfs.h \rangle$, where the former includes the latter. So it seems including the former is the best choice.

LSB has deprecated the library calls statfs() and fstatfs() and tells us to use statvfs(2) and fstatvfs(2) instead.

The f fsid field

Solaris, Irix and POSIX have a system call statvfs(2) that returns a $struct\ statvfs$ (defined in $\langle sys/statvfs.h \rangle$) containing an $unsigned\ long\ f_fsid$. Linux, SunOS, HP-UX, 4.4BSD have a system call statfs() that returns a $struct\ statfs$ (defined in $\langle sys/vfs.h \rangle$) containing a $fsid_t\ f_fsid$, where $fsid_t\ is$ defined as $struct\ \{\ int\ val[2];\ \}$. The same holds for FreeBSD, except that it uses the include file $\langle sys/mount.h \rangle$.

The general idea is that f_f sid contains some random stuff such that the pair $(f_f$ sid, ino) uniquely determines a file. Some operating systems use (a variation on) the device number, or the device number combined with the filesystem type. Several operating systems restrict giving out the f_f sid field to the superuser only (and zero it for unprivileged users), because this field is used in the filehandle of the filesystem when NFS-exported, and giving it out is a security concern.

Under some operating systems, the *fsid* can be used as the second argument to the **sysfs**(2) system call.

BUGS

From Linux 2.6.38 up to and including Linux 3.1, **fstatfs**() failed with the error **ENOSYS** for file descriptors created by **pipe**(2).

SEE ALSO

stat(2), statvfs(3), path_resolution(7)

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