

**NAME**

update-cracklib – Regenerate cracklib dictionary

**SYNOPSIS**

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**DESCRIPTION**

**update-cracklib** builds a compressed and accumulated version of wordlists stored in the directories given in cracklib's configuration file `/etc/cracklib/cracklib.conf`. Programs using cracklib2 need this database to be of any use.

By default this script is called by cron every day.

**RESULT**

**update-cracklib** prints out two numbers: the number of words read from the ASCII dictionaries and the number of words eventually written into the cracklib database; if no error occurred, these should be equal.

0 is returned on success, otherwise an error message is printed to standard error and -1 is returned.

**FILES**

**/etc/cracklib/cracklib.conf**

shell script that sets **cracklib\_dictpath\_src** which must be a space separated list of source dictionary files.

**SEE ALSO**

**cracklib(3)**, **crack\_mkdict(8)**

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