

VHISTEXP.EXE

VHISTEXP.EXE (Virus History Exporter) will go through all of your Symantec AntiVirus logs and export, in a comma-delimited file (*.CSV file), all of the Virus Found events from those logs. VHISTEXP can be run in any directory, and the result will automatically be created and placed in the directory from which VHISTEXP was run. The output file will be named "VirusHist.csv". If the file already exists, it will be overwritten. If the log files on your machine do not contain any Virus History information, "VirusHist.csv" will still be generated, but will be empty. VHISTEXP works on both Symantec AntiVirus Servers and Symantec AntiVirus Clients. VHISTEXP works on all versions of Symantec AntiVirus Corporate Edition and Symantec AntiVirus 7.0 and later.

In order to narrow your search, you can include one command-line argument – the filenames for VHISTEXP to search. Without a command-line argument, VHISTEXP will search through every Symantec AntiVirus log file you have on your machine at the time. The names of the log files that Symantec AntiVirus generates are very straightforward. They are simply the month, day, and year the log was generated. So for example, a log generated on September 6th, in the year 2001 will have the name "09062001.log". Knowing this, you can narrow your searches to, for example, export only Virus Found Events from the month of July in the year 2001. To do this, add a command-line argument that reads "07*2001.log". Or if you only want to search for Virus Found Events occurring in the year 2000, add the command-line argument "*2000.log". Be sure to include the ".log" at the end of your command line argument.