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## Linux send email from console

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To send an email from console you need to use mail command, which is an intelligent mail processing system which has a command syntax reminiscent of ed with lines replaced by messages. To send an email to `somewhere@domain.com` you need to type following command:

```
$ mail somewhere@domain.com
```

Output:

```
Subject: Hello
Hai,

How are you? Hope so you are fine :)

Take care

Babai

Vivek
. <Type DOT (.) followed by ENTER KEY>
Cc: <Press ENTER KEY>
```

You need to type `.` (dot) to send an email. To send contains of file (such as `/tmp/message`) as mail body then use following command:

```
$ mail -s 'Hai' somewhere@domain.com < /tmp/message
```

Please note that above command will NOT route an email if you do not have properly configured MTA/mail server.

### See also:

- [Sending email with an attachment](#) <sup>[1]</sup>
- [How do I send html email from Perl](#) <sup>[2]</sup>

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