

Steps to Do an External API Call from Angular

1. In the service/program typescript file:

- a.

```
import { HttpClient } from '@angular/common/http';
import { HttpHeaders } from '@angular/common/http';
```
- b.

```
// Set up a string to hold the root URL/endpoint for the server
private theServerURL : string = "your-server-endpoint/root"
```
- c.

```
// Have the constructor receive a Dependency Injected HttpClient Object
constructor(private theServer:HttpClient) {}
```
- d.

```
// Make the Http Call from an async method that returns a Promise<any>
// and use the server URL variable defined above
// BE SURE YOU ADD WHATEVER IS REQUIRED TO THE BASE SERVER URL YOU DEFINED
async getMoviesList() : Promise<any[]> { }
```
- e.

```
// Make the call to the external API and store in our local data source (array)
// lastValueFrom() converts the Observable object returned from the http get() to a promise

// To do an HTTP GET:
const result : any[] =
    await lastValueFrom(this.theServer.get<any[]>(this.theServerURL))

// To do an HTTP DELETE
const result : any[] =
    await lastValueFrom(this.theServer.delete(this.theServerURL))

// To do an HTTP POST/PUT:

// Use new HttpHeaders to create a JSON object with the attributes you want to send

const headers = new HttpHeaders ({
    'Content-Type' : 'application/json'
});

// use http.post(API-URL, data-to-send, {header-object})

lastValueFrom(this.theServer.post(this.theServerURL+"/create", newMovie
    ,{headers}));

// use http.put(API-URL, data-to-send, {header-object})

lastValueFrom(this.theServer.put(this.theServerURL+"/update", newMovie
    ,{headers}));
```

Consider defining any data used with the API call as **any** (avoid possible errors)

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2. In the **app.config.ts** file:

- a. `import { provideHttpClient } from '@angular/common/http';`
- b. `// Add "provideHttpClient" as a provider`
`providers: [provideRouter(routes), provideHttpClient()]`

3. In the **component that calls the service** to get the data from the API:

- a. Import the service/code that does the API call:
`import { MoviesService } from '../movies.service-api';`
- b. `// Add an async ngOnInit() method to call the service methods that calls API:`

```
async ngOnInit()
{
  this.moviesList = await this.moviesService.getMoviesList();
}
```

- c. `// Add implements OnInit to export:`

```
export class MovieListComponent implements OnInit {
```

The following steps are required if you are writing the Server side code as well to avoid CORS errors:

Add the following to the **program.cs**:

1. `// With all the other builder.Service statements`
`// Be sure you have the correct server URL for the WithOrigins parameter`

```
builder.Services.AddCors(options =>
{
  options.AddDefaultPolicy(policy =>
  {
    policy.WithOrigins("https://localhost:7223").AllowAnyMethod()
                                                .AllowAnyHeader()
                                                .AllowAnyOrigin();
  });
});
```

2. `// With all the other app.xxxxxx statements`

```
app.UseCors();
```