

Secure Communications

Viewing Installed Certs



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Lets start out look at Digital certs by looking at some installed on our own systems, and those used by web servers.

- 1. Check out and investigate some of the trusted CA's installed on your system**
- 2. View a secure site with Chrome or Firefox or both and view the details of the server security cert.**

Viewing installed certs

To check what certs are installed on you Windows system we can use the built in certmanager tool. Follow the steps below to see the installed certs on your system.

Click Start, click Run, type certmgr.msc, and then click OK.

Explore the various certs installed on your system, and look at the details contained within each cert.

Checking your Trusted CA installed in Internet Explorer:

Go to Tools (Alt+X) → Internet Options → Content → Certificates.

How to check a current sites SSL cert in Firefox

click ssl lock ->more info -> Security - > view certificate

How to check a current sites SSL cert in Chrome

Three Dots Menu -> More Tools -> Developer Tools, then click on the Security Tab. This will give you a Security Overview with a View Certificate Button.