## **Build directory not writeable**

## **Why This Error Occurred**

The filesystem does not allow writing to the specified directory. A common cause for this error is starting a <u>custom server</u> in development mode on a production server, for example, <u>Vercel</u> which doesn't allow you to write to the filesystem after your app is built.

## Possible Ways to Fix It

When using a custom server with a server file, for example called server.js , make sure you update the scripts key in package.json to:

```
"scripts": {
   "dev": "node server.js",
   "build": "next build",
   "start": "NODE_ENV=production node server.js"
}
```

and the custom server starts Next in production mode when NODE ENV is production

```
const dev = process.env.NODE_ENV !== 'production'
const app = next({ dev })
```

## **Useful Links**

• Custom Server documentation + examples