*This document describes new features, noteworthy changes, and provides guidance on upgrading from earlier versions. If you see anything missing or inaccurate, please submit a pull-request against individual pages, or create an issue.*

# Supported Versions

- 5.3.x is the final feature branch of the 5th generation and the latest production line (GA as of October 2020), with long-term support provided on JDK 8, JDK 11, JDK 17.
- 5.2.x is the previous production line (GA as of September 2019), to be actively supported until the end of 2021.
- 5.1.x and 5.0.x are not actively supported anymore, superseded by 5.2.x and 5.3.x as of December 2020.
- *4.3.x reached its official EOL (end-of-life) on December 31st, 2020. No further maintenance and security patches are planned in that line.*
- *3.2.x reached its official EOL (end-of-life) on December 31st, 2016. No further maintenance and security patches are planned in that line.*

At this point, we recommend upgrading to the latest Spring Framework 5.3.x release from Maven Central.

# JDK Version Range

- Spring Framework 6.0.x: JDK 17-21 (expected)
- Spring Framework 5.3.x: JDK 8-19 (expected)
- Spring Framework 5.2.x: JDK 8-15
- Spring Framework 5.1.x: JDK 8-12
- Spring Framework 5.0.x: JDK 8-10
- Spring Framework 4.3.x: JDK 6-8

We fully test and support Spring on Long-Term Support (LTS) releases of the JDK, i.e. currently JDK 8, JDK 11 and JDK 17. Additionally, there is support for intermediate releases such as JDK 9/10/12/13/14/15/16/18 on a best-effort basis, meaning that we accept bug reports and will try to address them as far as technically possible but won't provide any service level guarantees.

# What's New

- [[5th generation|What's New in Spring Framework 5.x]] and [[Spring Framework 5 FAQ]]
- 4th generation (4.3.x reference)

# Upgrade Considerations

- [[Upgrading to Spring Framework 6.0|Upgrading to Spring Framework 6.x]]
- [[Upgrading to Spring Framework 5.0, 5.1, 5.2 and 5.3|Upgrading to Spring Framework 5.x]]
- [[Upgrading to Spring Framework 4.3|Upgrading to Spring-Framework 4.x]]