

Registry Plugin

The registry plugin allows users to search the Windows registry.

Special functions (differ from the regular functions)

- Support full base keys and short base keys (e.g. `HKLM` for `HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE`).
- Show count of subkeys and count of values in the second result line.
- Search for value names and value data inside a registry key (syntax: `[RegistryKey]\\[ValueName]` and `[RegistryKey]\\[ValueData]`)

The Windows Registry

The registry contains all settings for the Windows operating system and many settings of the installed (Windows only) programs.

Note: Linux and macOS program ports typical store the settings in it's own configuration files and not in the Windows registry.

For more information about the Windows registry, see [the official documentation](#).

For advanced information about the Windows registry, see [Windows registry information for advanced users](#).

Score

The score is currently not set on the results.

Important for developers

General

- The assembly name is cached into `_assemblyName` (to avoid to many calls of `Assembly.GetExecutingAssembly()`)

Results

- All results override the visible search result via `QueryTextDisplay` to avoid problems with short registry base keys (e.g. `HKLM`).
- The length of a `Title` and `Subtitle` is automatic truncated, when it is to long.

Microsoft.Plugin.Registry project

Important plugin values (meta-data)

Name	Value
ActionKeyword	:
ExecuteFileName	Microsoft.PowerToys.Run.Plugin.Registry.dll
ID	303417D927BF4C97BCFFC78A123BE0C8

Interfaces used by this plugin

The plugin use only these interfaces (all inside the `Main.cs`):

- `Wox.Plugin.IPlugin`
- `Wox.Plugin.IContextMenu`
- `Wox.Plugin.IPluginI18n`
- `System.IDisposable`

Program files

File	Content
Classes\RegistryEntry.cs	Wrapper class for a registry key with a possible exception on access
Constants\KeyName.cs	Static used short registry key names (to avoid code and string doubling)
Constants\MaxTextLength.cs	Contain all maximum text lengths (for truncating)
Enumeration\TruncateSide.cs	Contain the possible truncate sides
Helper\ContextMenuHelper.cs	All functions to build the context menu (for each result entry)
Helper\QueryHelper.cs	All functions to analyze the search query
Helper\RegistryHelper.cs	All functions to search into the Windows registry (via <code>Win32.Registry</code>)
Helper\ResultHelper.cs	All functions to convert internal results into WOX results
Helper\ValueHelper.cs	All functions to convert values into human readable values
Images\reg.dark.png	Symbol for the results for the dark theme
Images\reg.light.png	Symbol for the results for the light theme
Properties\Resources.Designer.resx	File that contain all translatable keys
Properties\Resources.resx	File that contain all translatable strings in the neutral language
GlobalSuppressions.cs	Code suppressions (no real file, linked via *.csproj)
Main.cs	Main class, the only place that implement the WOX interfaces
plugin.json	All meta-data for this plugin
StyleCop.json	Code style (no real file, linked via *.csproj)

Important project values (*.csproj)

Name	Value
TargetFramework	net6.0-windows (.NET 5) or net6.0-windows10.0.18362.0 (OS version specific)
LangVersion	8.0 (mean C# 8.0)
Platforms	x64
Nullable	true
Output	..\..\..\..\x64\Debug\modules\launcher\Plugins\Microsoft.Plugin.Registry\

RootNamespace	Microsoft.PowerToys.Run.Plugin.Registry
AssemblyName	Microsoft.PowerToys.Run.Plugin.Registry

Project dependencies

Packages

Package	Version
Microsoft.CodeAnalysis.FxCopAnalyzers	3.3.0
StyleCop.Analyzers	1.1.118

Projects

- Wox.Infrastructure
- Wox.Plugin