Node.js

Node.js is an open-source, cross-platform, JavaScript runtime environment.

For information on using Node.js, see the Node.js website.

The Node is project uses an open governance model. The OpenJS Foundation provides support for the project.

This project has a **Code of Conduct**.

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Support

Looking for help? Check out the instructions for getting support.

Release types

- **Current**: Under active development. Code for the Current release is in the branch for its major version number (for example, <u>v15.x</u>). Node.js releases a new major version every 6 months, allowing for breaking changes. This happens in April and October every year. Releases appearing each October have a support life of 8 months. Releases appearing each April convert to LTS (see below) each October.
- LTS: Releases that receive Long Term Support, with a focus on stability and security. Every even-numbered
 major version will become an LTS release. LTS releases receive 12 months of Active LTS support and a further
 18 months of Maintenance. LTS release lines have alphabetically-ordered code names, beginning with v4
 Argon. There are no breaking changes or feature additions, except in some special circumstances.
- Nightly: Code from the Current branch built every 24-hours when there are changes. Use with caution.

Current and LTS releases follow <u>semantic versioning</u>. A member of the Release Team <u>signs</u> each Current and LTS release. For more information, see the <u>Release README</u>.

Download

Binaries, installers, and source tarballs are available at https://nodejs.org/en/download/.

Current and LTS releases

https://nodejs.org/download/release/

The <u>latest</u> directory is an alias for the latest Current release. The latest-*codename* directory is an alias for the latest release from an LTS line. For example, the <u>latest-fermium</u> directory contains the latest Fermium (Node.js 14) release.

Nightly releases

https://nodejs.org/download/nightly/

Each directory name and filename contains a date (in UTC) and the commit SHA at the HEAD of the release.

API documentation

Documentation for the latest Current release is at https://nodejs.org/api/. Version-specific documentation is available in each release directory in the *docs* subdirectory. Version-specific documentation is also at https://nodejs.org/download/docs/.

Verifying binaries

Download directories contain a SHASUMS256.txt file with SHA checksums for the files.

To download SHASUMS256.txt using curl:

```
$ curl -0 https://nodejs.org/dist/vx.y.z/SHASUMS256.txt
```

To check that a downloaded file matches the checksum, run it through sha256sum with a command such as:

```
$ grep node-vx.y.z.tar.gz SHASUMS256.txt | sha256sum -c -
```

For Current and LTS, the GPG detached signature of SHASUMS256.txt is in SHASUMS256.txt.sig . You can use it with <code>gpg</code> to verify the integrity of <code>SHASUMS256.txt</code> . You will first need to import the GPG keys of individuals authorized to create releases. To import the keys:

```
$ gpg --keyserver hkps://keys.openpgp.org --recv-keys
DD8F2338BAE7501E3DD5AC78C273792F7D83545D
```

See Release keys for a script to import active release keys.

Next, download the SHASUMS256.txt.sig for the release:

```
$ curl -O https://nodejs.org/dist/vx.y.z/SHASUMS256.txt.sig
```

Building Node.js

See BUILDING.md for instructions on how to build Node.js from source and a list of supported platforms.

Security

Contributing to Node.js

- Contributing to the project
- Working Groups
- Strategic initiatives
- Technical values and prioritization

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For information about the governance of the Node.js project, see **GOVERNANCE.md**.

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To import the full set of trusted release keys (including subkeys possibly used to sign releases):

```
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4ED778F539E3634C779C87C6D7062848A1AB005C
gpg --keyserver hkps://keys.openpgp.org --recv-keys
141F07595B7B3FFE74309A937405533BE57C7D57
gpg --keyserver hkps://keys.openpgp.org --recv-keys
94AE36675C464D64BAFA68DD7434390BDBE9B9C5
gpg --keyserver hkps://keys.openpgp.org --recv-keys
74F12602B6F1C4E913FAA37AD3A89613643B6201
gpg --keyserver hkps://keys.openpgp.org --recv-keys
71DCFD284A79C3B38668286BC97EC7A07EDE3FC1
gpg --keyserver hkps://keys.openpgp.org --recv-keys
8FCCA13FEF1D0C2E91008E09770F7A9A5AE15600
gpg --keyserver hkps://keys.openpgp.org --recv-keys
C4F0DFFF4E8C1A8236409D08E73BC641CC11F4C8
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C82FA3AE1CBEDC6BE46B9360C43CEC45C17AB93C
gpg --keyserver hkps://keys.openpgp.org --recv-keys
DD8F2338BAE7501E3DD5AC78C273792F7D83545D
gpg --keyserver hkps://keys.openpgp.org --recv-keys
A48C2BEE680E841632CD4E44F07496B3EB3C1762
gpg --keyserver hkps://keys.openpgp.org --recv-keys
108F52B48DB57BB0CC439B2997B01419BD92F80A
gpg --keyserver hkps://keys.openpgp.org --recv-keys
B9E2F5981AA6E0CD28160D9FF13993A75599653C
```

See Verifying binaries for how to use these keys to verify a downloaded file.

▶ Other keys used to sign some previous releases

Security release stewards

When possible, the commitment to take slots in the security release steward rotation is made by companies in order to ensure individuals who act as security stewards have the support and recognition from their employer to be able to prioritize security releases. Security release stewards manage security releases on a rotation basis as outlined in the <u>security release process</u>.

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