

HTTP methods you must know





Example

GET/ api/customers

Return all customers

Description

Retrieves data from server. it should retrieve data and should have no other side effect.

POST



Example

POST/ api/customers

Post data to the server

Description

Used to **send data to a server** to create a new resource. The data is included in the body of the request





Example

PUT/ api/customers/123

Update customer by ID

Description

Similar to POST, but it's used to update an existing resource

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PATCH



Example

PATCH/ api/customers/1234 '{'name': "cherry"}

Update name for customer by ID 1234

Description

Used to update resources but it only updates the **fields** that were **included** in the **request**

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DELETE



Example

DELETE/ api/customers/143

Delete customer by ID

Description

Deletes a resource.

Regardless of number of calls, it returns the same result.

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Example

HEAD/ api/customers

Similar to GET, but does not return the list of customers

Description

Typically used to **check** if a resource is **available** and **to get** the **metadata**.

OPTIONS



Example

OPTIONS/ api/main.html/1.1

Return Permitted HTTP method in this URL

Description

Used to get information about the possible communication options for the given URL or an asterisk to refer to the entire server.

TRACE



Example

TRACE/ api/main.html

Responds the exact request that client sent

Description

Used for diagnosis purposes. It echoes the received request so that a client can see what changes or additions have been made by intermediate servers

CONNECT



Example

Connect www.example.com:8080

Connect to the URL Provided

Description

Used for making end to end connections between a client and a server, it makes a two way connection like a tunnel between them.