

**NAME**

iconvconfig – create iconv module configuration cache

**SYNOPSIS**

**iconvconfig** [*options*] [*directory*]...

**DESCRIPTION**

The **iconv(3)** function internally uses *gconv* modules to convert to and from a character set. A configuration file is used to determine the needed modules for a conversion. Loading and parsing such a configuration file would slow down programs that use **iconv(3)**, so a caching mechanism is employed.

The **iconvconfig** program reads iconv module configuration files and writes a fast-loading *gconv* module configuration cache file.

In addition to the system provided *gconv* modules, the user can specify custom *gconv* module directories with the environment variable **GCONV\_PATH**. However, iconv module configuration caching is used only when the environment variable **GCONV\_PATH** is not set.

**OPTIONS****--nostdlib**

Do not search the system default *gconv* directory, only the directories provided on the command line.

**-o outputfile, --output=outputfile**

Use *outputfile* for output instead of the system default cache location.

**--prefix=pathname**

Set the prefix to be prepended to the system pathnames. See FILES, below. By default, the prefix is empty. Setting the prefix to *foo*, the *gconv* module configuration would be read from *foo/usr/lib/gconv/gconv-modules* and the cache would be written to *foo/usr/lib/gconv/gconv-modules.cache*.

**–?, --help**

Print a usage summary and exit.

**--usage**

Print a short usage summary and exit.

**–V, --version**

Print the version number, license, and disclaimer of warranty for **iconv**.

**EXIT STATUS**

Zero on success, nonzero on errors.

**FILES**

*/usr/lib/gconv*

Usual default *gconv* module path.

*/usr/lib/gconv/gconv-modules*

Usual system default *gconv* module configuration file.

*/usr/lib/gconv/gconv-modules.cache*

Usual system *gconv* module configuration cache.

Depending on the architecture, the above files may instead be located at directories with the path prefix */usr/lib64*.

**SEE ALSO**

**iconv(1)**, **iconv(3)**