

**NAME**

**thin\_restore** - restore thin provisioning metadata file to device or file.

**SYNOPSIS**

```
thin_restore [options] -i {xml file} -o {device|file}
```

**DESCRIPTION**

**thin\_restore** restores thin provisioning metadata created by the respective device-mapper target dumped into an XML formatted (see **thin\_dump(8)**) file, which optionally can be preprocessed before the restore to another device or file. If restored to a metadata device, the metadata can be processed by the device-mapper target.

This tool cannot be run on live metadata.

**OPTIONS****-h, --help**

Print help and exit.

**-V, --version**

Print version information and exit.

**-q, --quiet**

Suppress output messages, return only exit code.

**-i, --input {xml file}**

Input file containing XML metadata.

**-o, --output {device|file}**

Output file or device for restored binary metadata.

If a file is used for output, then it must be preallocated, and large enough to hold the metadata.

**--transaction-id {natural}**

Override the transaction id given in the input xml.

**--data-block-size {natural}**

Override the data block size given in the input xml.

**--nr-data-blocks {natural}**

Override the nr data blocks given in the input xml.

**EXAMPLE**

Restores the XML formatted thin provisioning metadata on file metadata to logical volume /dev/vg/metadata for further processing by the respective device-mapper target:

```
$ thin_restore -i metadata -o /dev/vg/metadata
```

**DIAGNOSTICS**

**thin\_restore** returns an exit code of 0 for success or 1 for error.

**SEE ALSO**

**thin\_dump(8)**, **thin\_check(8)**, **thin\_repair(8)**, **thin\_rmap(8)**, **thin\_metadata\_size(8)**

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