

Android Debug Bridge (ADB)

[Android Debug Bridge \(ADB\)](#), lets you connect your development workstation directly to your Android device so you can install packages and evaluate your changes. To learn the details of ADB, review its [README](#).

[Confirming you have ADB]

The `adb` tool is part of the Android Open Source Project (AOSP). ADB is available after you've [built](#) or [downloaded](#) ADB.

To confirm you have the ADB binary, run the following command in a terminal:

```
adb version
```

If you have ADB installed, you see its version in the output.

[Building ADB]

If you don't yet have ADB, [build Android](#). In summary:

1. Check out the Android source code.
2. Set up your environment and build Android:

```
source build/envsetup.sh
lunch <target>
m
```

Downloading ADB

You can also download ADB as part of [Android Studio](#) or in the standalone [SDK Platform Tools](#).

[Enable USB debugging]

Now [enable USB Debugging](#) on the Android device to allow the connection. You're also prompted when plugging the device into your machine.