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Changes the active console code page. If used without parameters, **chcp** displays the number of the active console code page.

## Syntax

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```
chcp [<nnn>]
```

## Parameters

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Parameter	Description
<code>&lt;nnn&gt;</code>	Specifies the code page.
<code>/?</code>	Displays help at the command prompt.

The following table lists each supported code page and its country/region or language:

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Code page	Country/region or language
437	United States
850	Multilingual (Latin I)
852	Slavic (Latin II)
855	Cyrillic (Russian)
857	Turkish
860	Portuguese
861	Icelandic
863	Canadian-French
865	Nordic

866	Russian
869	Modern Greek
936	Chinese

## Remarks

- Only the original equipment manufacturer (OEM) code page that is installed with Windows appears correctly in a Command Prompt window that uses Raster fonts. Other code pages appear correctly in full-screen mode or in Command Prompt windows that use TrueType fonts.
- You don't need to prepare code pages (as in MS-DOS).
- Programs that you start after you assign a new code page use the new code page. However, programs (except Cmd.exe) that you started before assigning the new code page will continue to use the original code page.

## Examples

To view the active code page setting, type:

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chcp
```

A message similar to the following appears: `Active code page: 437`

To change the active code page to 850 (Multilingual), type:

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```
chcp 850
```

If the specified code page is invalid, the following error message appears: `Invalid code page`

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