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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

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

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Parameters

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Parameter	Description
`<nnn>`	Specifies the code page.
/?	Displays help at the command prompt.

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

⛶ Expand table

Code page	Country/region or language
437	United States
850	Multilingual (Latin I)

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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:

```
chcp
```

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

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

```
chcp 850
```

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

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