

**NAME**

**nproc** - return number of available processing units

**SYNOPSIS**

**nproc** [-a | --all] [-i *N* | --ignoreNs *=N*] [-h | --help] [-v | --version]

**DESCRIPTION**

The **nproc** command displays the number of processors available

The following options are available:

**-a, --all** Print the number of available processors

**-i *N*, --ignore=*N***

Ignore the specified number of processors. **nproc** will always return at least 1

**-h, --help**

Display help and exit

**-v, --version**

Display version number and exit

**nproc** is a simple drop in replacement for the GNU coreutils **nproc** command often found in many operating systems. It processes command line arguments, then calls the `sysctl(3)` function. To perform a similar function in the shell, use the following commands:

```
$ sysctl hw.ncpu | awk '{print $2}'
```

**EXIT STATUS**

The **nproc** utility exits 0 on success, and >0 if an error occurs.

**SEE ALSO**

`sysctl(3)`, `sysctl(8)`

**BUGS**

This version of **nproc** differs from the GNU coreutils version. It does not support OpenMP. This is because FreeBSD base does not include OpenMP support at this time. It is part of FreeBSD Ports.

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