

NAME

wc – print newline, word, and byte counts for each file

SYNOPSIS

wc [*OPTION*]... [*FILE*]...

wc [*OPTION*]... *--files0-from*=*F*

DESCRIPTION

Print newline, word, and byte counts for each *FILE*, and a total line if more than one *FILE* is specified. A word is a non-zero-length sequence of characters delimited by white space.

With no *FILE*, or when *FILE* is *-*, read standard input.

The options below may be used to select which counts are printed, always in the following order: newline, word, character, byte, maximum line length.

-c, --bytes

print the byte counts

-m, --chars

print the character counts

-l, --lines

print the newline counts

--files0-from=*F*

read input from the files specified by NUL-terminated names in file *F*; If *F* is *-* then read names from standard input

-L, --max-line-length

print the maximum display width

-w, --words

print the word counts

--help display this help and exit

--version

output version information and exit

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REPORTING BUGS

GNU coreutils online help: <<http://www.gnu.org/software/coreutils/>>

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Full documentation at: <<http://www.gnu.org/software/coreutils/wc>>

or available locally via: info '(coreutils) wc invocation'