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NetBSD Formal Releases

The latest formal release is NetBSD 9.3.

Formal releases of NetBSD are intended to provide a stable, supported platform on which people can base their work. They provide a balance between features and stability.

Why use a formal release?

Because they are well-tested and made relatively infrequently, formal releases are useful for people who don't want to be on the "bleeding edge" of development, or who just want to run applications. Since formal releases are effectively unchanging (there are typically very few official patches made to them), they are relatively easy to support, both by NetBSD's developers and the developers of applications. The biggest problem with running the latest formal release of NetBSD is that you don't have access to the latest features and bug fixes in the development tree.

If you're not the type of person who'd be willing to upgrade your operating system on a semi-daily basis, or if you want a system that is relatively easy to install and upgrade, a formal release of NetBSD is for you.

How to obtain updates for formal releases

For those who do not wish to wait for the next release, we have daily updated snapshots of the release branches available via FTP.

The directories /pub/NetBSD/NetBSD-release-8 and /pub/NetBSD/NetBSD-release-9 contain the extracted sources plus weekly updated tar files of the 8 and 9 release branches respectively. These files are created in a similar manner to those in the /pub/NetBSD/NetBSD-

You can also use binaries of the stable branches created regularly (depending on age of the branch and available build time from about daily to once a week). Follow the link to latest daily netbsd-8 build or latest daily netbsd-9 build for the respectives branches latest stable binaries. Or if you want to try -current, check the latest daily HEAD build.

Currently supported releases

The NetBSD-8 and NetBSD-9 branches are currently being maintained.

The NetBSD-7 and older branches have reached *End-Of-Life* and are no longer supported.

A NetBSD major release, including all minor releases of the major release, generally becomes unspported one month after the release date of the second succeeding major release. Should the time between major releases become significantly shorter than they currently are, we will revisit our support policy and modify it as needed.

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History of NetBSD releases

Version	Released	End of support
NetBSD 9.3	August 4, 2022	
NetBSD 9.2	May 12, 2021	
NetBSD 9.1	October 18, 2020	
NetBSD 9.0	February 14, 2020	
NetBSD 8.2	March 30, 2020	
NetBSD 8.1	May 31, 2019	
NetBSD 8.0	July 17, 2018	

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NetBSD 7.1.2	March 15, 2018	
NetBSD 7.1.1	December 22, 2017	
NetBSD 7.1	March 11, 2017	
NetBSD 7.0.2	October 21, 2016	
NetBSD 7.0.1	May 22, 2016	
NetBSD 7.0	September 25, 2015	June 30, 2020
NetBSD 6.1.5	September 22, 2014	August 23, 2018
NetBSD 6.1.4	April 12, 2014	
NetBSD 6.1.3	January 18, 2014	
NetBSD 6.1.2	September 26, 2013	
NetBSD 6.1.1	August 15, 2013	
NetBSD 6.1	May 18, 2013	
NetBSD 6.0.6	September 22, 2014	
NetBSD 6.0.5	April 12, 2014	
NetBSD 6.0.4	January 27, 2014	
NetBSD 6.0.3	September 30, 2013	
NetBSD 6.0.2	May 18, 2013	
NetBSD 6.0.1	December 26, 2012	
NetBSD 6.0	October 17, 2012	

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NetBSD 5.2.3	November 15, 2014	November 11, 2015
NetBSD 5.2.2	January 27, 2014	
NetBSD 5.2.1	September 28, 2012	
NetBSD 5.2	December 3, 2012	
NetBSD 5.1.5	November 15, 2014	
NetBSD 5.1.4	January 27, 2014	
NetBSD 5.1.3	September 28, 2012	
NetBSD 5.1.2	February 2, 2012	
NetBSD 5.1	November 19, 2010	
NetBSD 5.0.2	February 12, 2010	
NetBSD 5.0.1	August 2, 2009	
NetBSD 5.0	April 29, 2009	
NetBSD 4.0.1	October 14, 2008	
NetBSD 4.0	December 19, 2007	
NetBSD 3.1	November 4, 2006	May 30, 2009
NetBSD 3.0.2	November 4, 2006	
NetBSD 3.0.1	July 24, 2006	
NetBSD 3.0	December 23, 2005	
NetBSD 2.1	November 02, 2005	August 21, 2008
NetBSD 2.0.3	October 31, 2005	

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NetBSD 2.0.2	April 14, 2005	
NetBSD 2.0.1	tagged, but no binaries released	
NetBSD 2.0	December 9, 2004	
NetBSD 1.6.2	March 1, 2004	May 17, 2006
NetBSD 1.6.1	April 21, 2003	
NetBSD 1.6	September 14, 2002	
NetBSD 1.5.3	July 22, 2002	
NetBSD 1.5.2	September 13, 2001	
NetBSD 1.5.1	July 11, 2001	
NetBSD 1.5	December 6, 2000	
NetBSD 1.4.3	November 25, 2000	
NetBSD 1.4.2	March 21, 2000	
NetBSD 1.4.1	August 26, 1999	
NetBSD 1.4	May 12, 1999	
NetBSD 1.3.3	December 23, 1998	
NetBSD 1.3.2	May 29, 1998	
NetBSD 1.3	January 4, 1998	
NetBSD 1.2.1	May 20, 1997	
NetBSD 1.2	October 4, 1996	
NetBSD 1.1	November 26, 1995	
NetBSD 1.0	October 26, 1994	

Version	Released	End of support
NetBSD 0.9	August 23, 1993	
NetBSD 0.8	April 20, 1993	