



Rocky Enterprise Linux 9.2 Manual Pages on command 'strtol.3'

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STRTOL(3) Linux Programmer's Manual STRTOL(3)

NAME

strtol, strtoll, strtouq - convert a string to a long integer

SYNOPSIS

```
#include <stdlib.h>
```

```
long int strtol(const char *nptr, char **endptr, int base);
```

```
long long int strtoll(const char *nptr, char **endptr, int base);
```

Feature Test Macro Requirements for glibc (see `feature_test_macros(7)`):

```
strtoll():
```

```
  _ISOC99_SOURCE
```

```
  || /* Glibc versions <= 2.19: */ _SVID_SOURCE || _BSD_SOURCE
```

DESCRIPTION

The `strtol()` function converts the initial part of the string in `nptr` to a long integer value according to the given base, which must be between 2 and 36 inclusive, or be the special value 0.

The string may begin with an arbitrary amount of white space (as determined by `isspace(3)`) followed by a single optional '+' or '-' sign. If base is zero or 16, the string may then include a "0x" or "0X" prefix, and the number will be read in base 16; otherwise, a zero base is taken as 10 (decimal) unless the next character is '0', in which case it is taken as 8 (octal).

The remainder of the string is converted to a long int value in the obvious manner, stopping at the first character which is not a valid digit in the given base. (In

whether `errno` has a nonzero value after the call.

According to POSIX.1, in locales other than the "C" and "POSIX", these functions may accept other, implementation-defined numeric strings.

BSD also has

```
quad_t strtouq(const char *nptr, char **endptr, int base);
```

with completely analogous definition. Depending on the wordsize of the current architecture, this may be equivalent to `strtoll()` or to `strtoll()`.

EXAMPLE

The program shown below demonstrates the use of `strtol()`. The first command-line argument specifies a string from which `strtol()` should parse a number. The second (optional) argument specifies the base to be used for the conversion. (This argument is converted to numeric form using `atoi(3)`, a function that performs no error checking and has a simpler interface than `strtol()`.) Some examples of the results produced by this program are the following:

```
$ ./a.out 123
strtol() returned 123
$ ./a.out ' 123'
strtol() returned 123
$ ./a.out 123abc
strtol() returned 123
Further characters after number: abc
$ ./a.out 123abc 55
strtol: Invalid argument
$ ./a.out "
No digits were found
$ ./a.out 4000000000
strtol: Numerical result out of range
```

Program source

```
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <limits.h>
#include <stdio.h>
#include <errno.h>
int
```

```

main(int argc, char *argv[])
{
    int base;
    char *endptr, *str;
    long val;
    if (argc < 2) {
        fprintf(stderr, "Usage: %s str [base]\n", argv[0]);
        exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
    }
    str = argv[1];
    base = (argc > 2) ? atoi(argv[2]) : 10;
    errno = 0; /* To distinguish success/failure after call */
    val = strtol(str, &endptr, base);
    /* Check for various possible errors */
    if ((errno == ERANGE && (val == LONG_MAX || val == LONG_MIN))
        || (errno != 0 && val == 0)) {
        perror("strtol");
        exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
    }
    if (endptr == str) {
        fprintf(stderr, "No digits were found\n");
        exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
    }
    /* If we got here, strtol() successfully parsed a number */
    printf("strtol() returned %ld\n", val);
    if (*endptr != '\0') /* Not necessarily an error... */
        printf("Further characters after number: %s\n", endptr);
    exit(EXIT_SUCCESS);
}

```

SEE ALSO

atof(3), atoi(3), atol(3), strtod(3), strtoul(3),

COLOPHON

the project, information about reporting bugs, and the latest version of this page,
can be found at <https://www.kernel.org/doc/man-pages/>.

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