## NAME

lshw – list hardware

## SYNOPSIS

lshw [ -version ]

lshw [ -help ]

lshw [ -X ]

lshw [ [ -html ] [ -short ] [ -xml ] [ -json ] [ -businfo ] ] [ -dump filename ] [ -class class... ] [ -disable test... ] [ -enable test... ] [ -sanitize ] [ -numeric ] [ -quiet ]

## DESCRIPTION

**Ishw** is a small tool to extract detailed information on the hardware configuration of the machine. It can report exact memory configuration, firmware version, mainboard configuration, CPU version and speed, cache configuration, bus speed, etc. on DMI-capable x86 or IA-64 systems and on some PowerPC machines (PowerMac G4 is known to work).

It currently supports DMI (x86 and IA-64 only), OpenFirmware device tree (PowerPC only), PCI/AGP, CPUID (x86), IDE/ATA/ATAPI, PCMCIA (only tested on x86), SCSI and USB.

#### -version

Displays the version of **lshw** and exits.

- -help Displays the available command line options and quits.
- -X Launch the X11 GUI (if available).
- -html Outputs the device tree as an HTML page.
- -xml Outputs the device tree as an XML tree.
- -json Outputs the device tree as a JSON object (JavaScript Object Notation).
- -short Outputs the device tree showing hardware paths, very much like the output of HP-UX's ioscan.

#### -businfo

Outputs the device list showing bus information, detailing SCSI, USB, IDE and PCI addresses.

#### -dump filename

Dump collected information into a file (SQLite database).

#### -class class

Only show the given class of hardware. class can be found using lshw -short or lshw -businfo.

#### -C class

Alias for -class class.

## -enable test

#### -disable test

Enables or disables a test. *test* can be **dmi** (for DMI/SMBIOS extensions), **device-tree** (for Open-Firmware device tree), **spd** (for memory Serial Presence Detect), **memory** (for memory-size guessing heuristics), **cpuinfo** (for kernel-reported CPU detection), **cpuid** (for CPU detection), **pci** (for PCI/AGP access), **isapnp** (for ISA PnP extensions), **pcmcia** (for PCMCIA/PCCARD), **ide** (for IDE/ATAPI), **usb** (for USB devices),**scsi** (for SCSI) or **network** (for network interfaces detection).

## -quiet Don't display status.

#### -sanitize

Remove potentially sensitive information from output (IP addresses, serial numbers, etc.).

#### -numeric

Also display numeric IDs (for PCI and USB devices).

## BUGS

Ishw currently does not detect Firewire(IEEE1394) devices.

Not all architectures supported by GNU/Linux are fully supported (e.g. CPU detection).

"Virtual" SCSI interfaces used for SCSI emulation over IDE are not reported correctly yet.

## NOTES

Ishw must be run as super user or it will only report partial information.

#### FILES

## /usr/local/share/pci.ids

## /usr/share/pci.ids

## /etc/pci.ids

#### /usr/share/hwdata/pci.ids

A list of all known PCI ID's (vendors, devices, classes and subclasses). If compiled with zlib support, lshw will look for *pci.ids.gz* first, then for *pci.ids*.

#### /proc/bus/pci/\*

Used to access the configuration of installed PCI busses and devices.

#### /proc/ide/\*

Used to access the configuration of installed IDE busses and devices.

#### /proc/scsi/\*, /dev/sg\*

Used to access the configuration of installed SCSI devices.

#### /dev/cpu/\*/cpuid

Used on x86 platforms to access CPU-specific configuration.

#### /proc/device-tree/\*

Used on PowerPC platforms to access OpenFirmware configuration.

## /proc/bus/usb/\*

Used to access the configuration of installed USB busses and devices.

/sys/\* Used on 2.6 kernels to access hardware/driver configuration information.

#### **EXAMPLES**

lshw -short

Lists hardware in a compact format.

lshw -class disk -class storage

Lists all disks and storage controllers in the system.

## lshw -html -class network

Lists all network interfaces in HTML.

# lshw -disable dmi

Don't use DMI to detect hardware.

## SEE ALSO

/proc/\*, linuxinfo(1), lspci(8), lsusb(8)

## COPYING

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## **OTHER INFO**

The webpage for **lshw** is at <URL:http://lshw.ezix.org/>