### **NAME**

seekdir – set the position of the next readdir() call in the directory stream.

# **SYNOPSIS**

```
#include <dirent.h>
```

```
void seekdir(DIR *dirp, long loc);
```

Feature Test Macro Requirements for glibc (see **feature test macros**(7)):

### seekdir():

```
_XOPEN_SOURCE
```

```
| /* Glibc since 2.19: */_DEFAULT_SOURCE
```

| /\* Glibc versions <= 2.19: \*/ BSD\_SOURCE | \_SVID\_SOURCE

## DESCRIPTION

The **seekdir**() function sets the location in the directory stream from which the next **readdir**(2) call will start. The *loc* argument should be a value returned by a previous call to **telldir**(3).

# **RETURN VALUE**

The **seekdir**() function returns no value.

## **ATTRIBUTES**

For an explanation of the terms used in this section, see **attributes**(7).

Interface	Attribute	Value
seekdir()	Thread safety	MT-Safe

# **CONFORMING TO**

POSIX.1-2001, POSIX.1-2008, 4.3BSD.

# **NOTES**

In glibc up to version 2.1.1, the type of the *loc* argument was *off\_t*. POSIX.1-2001 specifies *long*, and this is the type used since glibc 2.1.2. See **telldir**(3) for information on why you should be careful in making any assumptions about the value in this argument.

## **SEE ALSO**

lseek(2), closedir(3), opendir(3), readdir(3), rewinddir(3), scandir(3), telldir(3)

# **COLOPHON**

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