GOOGLE CHROME BROWSER

What is Google Chrome:

Google Chrome is a freeware web browser developed by Google. It was first released in September 2008, for Microsoft Windows, and was later ported to Linux, macOS, iOS and Android. Google Chrome is also the main component of Chrome OS, where it serves as a platform for running web apps.

As of 2018, Google Chrome has 66% worldwide usage share of all web browsers as a desktop browser. It also has 56% market share across all platforms combined, because it has over 50% share on smartphones; so, Chrome is the most used browser in virtually all countries. The success has led Google to expanding the **"Chrome"** brand name on various other products such as Chromecast, Chromebook, Chromebit, Chromebox and Chromebase.

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To download Google Chrome go to "https://www.google.com/chrome/" and follow the directions.

Sign in or out of Chrome:

When you sign in to Chrome, your info is saved to your Google Account so you can get it whenever you need it.

What happens when you're signed in:

You can see and update your synced info on all your devices, like bookmarks, history, passwords, and other settings.

If you change devices (like if you lost your phone or got a new laptop), you'll get all your info back.

You'll sign in automatically to Gmail, YouTube, Search, and other Google services.

Signing in to the Chrome app is different from signing in to a website.

Sign in to Chrome

On your computer, open Chrome.

Click on the 3 dots in the upper right-hand corner and select **Settings**
Click **Sign in to Chrome**
Sign in with your User Name and Password.
Click **OK, GOT IT**

Sign out of Chrome

Do exactly the same thing as signing in, except select **Sign Out**.

NOTE: You only have to do this if you are not using your own computer.

Chrome Settings:

Click on the 3 dots in the top right-hand part of the page and select **Settings.** This is where you set up Chrome to your preferences.

Tools:

Most of your tools are listed under the 3 dots at the top right-hand side of your page. You will find the following items here. They are:

> New Tab
> New Window
> New Incognito Window
> History
> Downloads
> Bookmarks
> Zoom
> Print
> Cast
> Find
> More Tools
> Edit/Cut/Copy/Paste
> Settings
> Help (very useful)
> Exit

Updating Chrome:

Normally updates happen in the background when you close and reopen your computer's browser. But if you haven't closed your browser in a while, you might see a pending update:

On your computer, open Chrome.

At the top right, look at the 3 dots in the upper right-hand corner.

If an update is pending, the icon will be colored:

Green: An update's been available for 2 days.

Orange: An update's been available for 4 days.

Red: An update's been available for 7 days.

To update Google Chrome:

On your computer, open Chrome.

At the top right, click the 3 dots and select **Help** and then **About Google Chrome.**

Click **Update Google Chrome**. If you don't see this button, you're on the latest version.

Click **Relaunch**.

The browser saves your opened tabs and windows and reopens them automatically when it restarts. If you'd prefer not to restart right away, click **Not now**. The next time you restart your browser, the update will be applied.

Bookmarks:

You have an **Other Books** tab and a **Bookmark Bar** across the top of your page.

Bookmark a Page:

To bookmark a page, click on the star in the address bar and then select where you want the bookmark placed.

Managing Bookmarks:

To manage your **Bookmarks** go to the 3 dots and Select **Bookmarks** and then **Bookmark Settings.**

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