

The **stdio.h** header defines three variable types, several macros, and various functions for performing input and output.

## Library Variables

Following are the variable types defined in the header stdio.h –

S.N.	Variable & Description
1	<b>size_t</b> This is the unsigned integral type and is the result of the <b>sizeof</b> keyword.
2	<b>FILE</b> This is an object type suitable for storing information for a file stream.
3	<b>fpos_t</b> This is an object type suitable for storing any position in a file.

## Library Macros

Following are the macros defined in the header stdio.h –

S.N.	Macro & Description
1	<b>NULL</b> This macro is the value of a null pointer constant.
2	<b>_IOFBF, _IOLBF and _IONBF</b> These are the macros which expand to integral constant expressions with distinct values and suitable for the use as third argument to the <b>setvbuf</b> function.
3	<b>BUFSIZ</b> This macro is an integer, which represents the size of the buffer used by the <b>setbuf</b> function.
4	<b>EOF</b> This macro is a negative integer, which indicates that the end-of-file has been reached.
5	<b>FOPEN_MAX</b> This macro is an integer, which represents the maximum number of files that the system can guarantee to be opened simultaneously.

6	<b>FILENAME_MAX</b>
	This macro is an integer, which represents the longest length of a char array suitable for holding the longest possible filename. If the implementation imposes no limit, then this value should be the recommended maximum value.
7	<b>L_tmpnam</b>
	This macro is an integer, which represents the longest length of a char array suitable for holding the longest possible temporary filename created by the <b>tmpnam</b> function.
8	<b>SEEK_CUR, SEEK_END, and SEEK_SET</b>
	These macros are used in the <b>fseek</b> function to locate different positions in a file.
9	<b>TMP_MAX</b>
	This macro is the maximum number of unique filenames that the function <b>tmpnam</b> can generate.
10	<b>stderr, stdin, and stdout</b>
	These macros are pointers to FILE types which correspond to the standard error, standard input, and standard output streams.

## Library Functions

Following are the functions defined in the header `stdio.h` –

*Follow the same sequence of functions for better understanding and to make use of **Try it** Online compiler option, because file created in the first function will be used in subsequent functions.*

S.N.	Function & Description
1	<a href="#"><u>int fclose</u></a> <i>FILE * stream</i> Closes the stream. All buffers are flushed.
2	<a href="#"><u>void clearerr</u></a> <i>FILE * stream</i> Clears the end-of-file and error indicators for the given stream.
3	<a href="#"><u>int feof</u></a> <i>FILE * stream</i> Tests the end-of-file indicator for the given stream.
4	<a href="#"><u>int ferror</u></a> <i>FILE * stream</i> Tests the error indicator for the given stream.
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[int fflushFILE \\* stream](#)

Flushes the output buffer of a stream.

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[int fgetposFILE \\* stream, fpos\\_t \\* pos](#)

Gets the current file position of the stream and writes it to pos.

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[FILE \\*fopenconstchar \\* filename, constchar \\* mode](#)

Opens the filename pointed to by filename using the given mode.

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[size\\_t freadvoid \\* ptr, size\\_t size, size\\_t nmemb, FILE \\* stream](#)

Reads data from the given stream into the array pointed to by ptr.

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[FILE \\*freopenconstchar \\* filename, constchar \\* mode, FILE \\* stream](#)

Associates a new filename with the given open stream and same time closing the old file in stream.

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[int fseekFILE \\* stream, longintoffset, intwhence](#)

Sets the file position of the stream to the given offset. The argument *offset* signifies the number of bytes to seek from the given *whence* position.

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[int fsetposFILE \\* stream, constfpos\\_t \\* pos](#)

Sets the file position of the given stream to the given position. The argument *pos* is a position given by the function fgetpos.

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[long int ftellFILE \\* stream](#)

Returns the current file position of the given stream.

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[size\\_t fwriteconstvoid \\* ptr, size\\_t size, size\\_t nmemb, FILE \\* stream](#)

Writes data from the array pointed to by ptr to the given stream.

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[int removeconstchar \\* filename](#)

Deletes the given filename so that it is no longer accessible.

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[int renameconstchar \\* old\\_filename, constchar \\* new\\_filename](#)

Causes the filename referred to, by old\_filename to be changed to new\_filename.

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[void rewindFILE \\* stream](#)

Sets the file position to the beginning of the file of the given stream.

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[void setbufFILE \\* stream, char \\* buffer](#)

Defines how a stream should be buffered.

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[int setvbufFILE \\* stream, char \\* buffer, int mode, size\\_t size](#)

Another function to define how a stream should be buffered.

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[FILE \\*tmpfilevoid](#)

Creates a temporary file in binary update mode `wb +`.

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[char \\*tmpnamchar \\* str](#)

Generates and returns a valid temporary filename which does not exist.

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[int fprintfFILE \\* stream, const char \\* format, ...](#)

Sends formatted output to a stream.

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[int printfconst char \\* format, ...](#)

Sends formatted output to stdout.

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[int sprintfchar \\* str, const char \\* format, ...](#)

Sends formatted output to a string.

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[int vfprintfFILE \\* stream, const char \\* format, va\\_list arg](#)

Sends formatted output to a stream using an argument list.

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[int vprintfconst char \\* format, va\\_list arg](#)

Sends formatted output to stdout using an argument list.

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[int vsprintfchar \\* str, const char \\* format, va\\_list arg](#)

Sends formatted output to a string using an argument list.

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[int fscanfFILE \\* stream, const char \\* format, ...](#)

Reads formatted input from a stream.

28	<a href="#"><u>int scanfconstchar * format,...</u></a> Reads formatted input from stdin.
29	<a href="#"><u>int sscanfconstchar * str, constchar * format,...</u></a> Reads formatted input from a string.
30	<a href="#"><u>int fgetcFILE * stream</u></a> Gets the next character <i>anunsignedchar</i> from the specified stream and advances the position indicator for the stream.
31	<a href="#"><u>char *fgetschar * str, intn, FILE * stream</u></a> Reads a line from the specified stream and stores it into the string pointed to by str. It stops when either $n - 1$ characters are read, the newline character is read, or the end-of-file is reached, whichever comes first.
32	<a href="#"><u>int fputcintchar, FILE * stream</u></a> Writes a character <i>anunsignedchar</i> specified by the argument char to the specified stream and advances the position indicator for the stream.
33	<a href="#"><u>int fputsconstchar * str, FILE * stream</u></a> Writes a string to the specified stream up to but not including the null character.
34	<a href="#"><u>int getcFILE * stream</u></a> Gets the next character <i>anunsignedchar</i> from the specified stream and advances the position indicator for the stream.
35	<a href="#"><u>int getcharvoid</u></a> Gets a character <i>anunsignedchar</i> from stdin.
36	<a href="#"><u>char *getschar * str</u></a> Reads a line from stdin and stores it into the string pointed to by, str. It stops when either the newline character is read or when the end-of-file is reached, whichever comes first.
37	<a href="#"><u>int putcintchar, FILE * stream</u></a> Writes a character <i>anunsignedchar</i> specified by the argument char to the specified stream and advances the position indicator for the stream.
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[int putchar](#)*intchar*

Writes a character *anunsignedchar* specified by the argument *char* to stdout.

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[int puts](#)*constchar \* str*

Writes a string to stdout up to but not including the null character. A newline character is appended to the output.

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[int ungetc](#)*intchar, FILE \* stream*

Pushes the character *char anunsignedchar* onto the specified stream so that the next character is read.

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[void perror](#)*constchar \* str*

Prints a descriptive error message to stderr. First the string *str* is printed followed by a colon and then a space.

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