
polybar Documentation

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Note: This is still very much a work-in-progress. Most information is still to be found on our [GitHub Wiki](#). We will migrate the wiki content step-by-step.

Welcome to the official polybar documentation.

monitor

Default <empty string>

Specifies the monitor polybar should be displayed on. If unspecified the primary monitor is used.

Note: Either of the following commands will list the names of available monitors:

```
polybar -m | cut -d ':' -f 1  
xrandr -q | grep " connected" | cut -d ' ' -f1
```

2.1 Text

This module shows a static string.

3.1 SYNOPSIS

polybar [*OPTIONS*]... *BAR*

3.2 DESCRIPTION

Polybar aims to help users build beautiful and highly customizable status bars for their desktop environment, without the need of having a black belt in shell scripting.

3.3 OPTIONS

-h, --help

Display help text and exit

-v, --version

Display build details and exit

-l, --log=LEVEL

Set the logging verbosity (default: **WARNING**)

LEVEL is one of: error, warning, info, trace

-q, --quiet

Be quiet (will override -l)

-c, --config=FILE

Specify the path to the configuration file. By default, the configuration file is loaded from:

`$XDG_CONFIG_HOME/polybar/config`
`$HOME/.config/polybar/config`

- r, --reload**
Reload the application when the config file has been modified
- d, --dump=PARAM**
Print the value of the specified parameter *PARAM* in bar section and exit
- m, --list-monitors**
Print list of available monitors and exit
- w, --print-wmname**
Print the generated *WM_NAME* and exit
- s, --stdout**
Output the data to stdout instead of drawing it to the X window
- p, --png=FILE**
Save png snapshot to *FILE* after running for 3 seconds

3.4 AUTHOR

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3.5 REPORTING BUGS

Report issues on GitHub <<https://github.com/jaagr/polybar>>

3.6 SEE ALSO

Full documentation at: <<https://github.com/jaagr/polybar>>
Project wiki: <<https://github.com/jaagr/polybar/wiki>>

CHAPTER 4

Getting Help

- [Polybar Wiki](#)
- [/r/polybar on reddit](#)
- [#polybar on chat.freenode.net](#)
- [Unix & Linux StackExchange](#)

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