

Class `java.io.FileInputStream`

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public class **FileInputStream**
extends [InputStream](#)

File input stream, can be constructed from a file descriptor or a file name.

See Also:

[FileOutputStream](#), [File](#)

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Reads a byte of data.

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Reads data into an array of bytes.

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Reads data into an array of bytes.

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Skips n bytes of input.

Constructors

o **FileInputStream**

```
public FileInputStream(String name) throws FileNotFoundException
```

Creates an input file with the specified system dependent file name.

Parameters:

name – the system dependent file name

Throws: IOException

If the file is not found.

o **FileInputStream**

```
public FileInputStream(File file) throws FileNotFoundException
```

Creates an input file from the specified File object.

Parameters:

file – the file to be opened for reading

Throws: IOException

If the file is not found.

o **FileInputStream**

```
public FileInputStream(int fd) throws IOException
```

Creates an input file with the specified system dependent file descriptor.

Parameters:

fd – the system dependent file descriptor

Throws: IOException

If an I/O error has occurred.

Methods

o **read**

```
public int read() throws IOException
```

Reads a byte of data. This method will block if no input is available.

Returns:

the byte read, or -1 if the end of the stream is reached.

Throws: IOException

If an I/O error has occurred.

Overrides:

read in class InputStream

o read

```
public int read(byte b[]) throws IOException
```

Reads data into an array of bytes. This method blocks until some input is available.

Parameters:

b – the buffer into which the data is read

Returns:

the actual number of bytes read, -1 is returned when the end of the stream is reached.

Throws: IOException

If an I/O error has occurred.

Overrides:

read in class InputStream

o read

```
public int read(byte b[],  
                int off,  
                int len) throws IOException
```

Reads data into an array of bytes. This method blocks until some input is available.

Parameters:

b – the buffer into which the data is read

off – the start offset of the data

len – the maximum number of bytes read

Returns:

the actual number of bytes read, -1 is returned when the end of the stream is reached.

Throws: IOException

If an I/O error has occurred.

Overrides:

read in class InputStream

o skip

```
public long skip(long n) throws IOException
```

Skips n bytes of input.

Parameters:

n – the number of bytes to be skipped

Returns:

the actual number of bytes skipped.

Throws: IOException

If an I/O error has occurred.

Overrides:

skip in class InputStream

o available

```
public int available() throws IOException
```

Returns the number of bytes that can be read without blocking.

Returns:

the number of available bytes, which is initially equal to the file size.

Overrides:

available in class InputStream

o close

```
public void close() throws IOException
```

Closes the input stream. This method must be called to release any resources associated with the stream.

Throws: IOException

If an I/O error has occurred.

Overrides:

close in class InputStream

o getFD

```
public final int getFD()
```

Returns the file descriptor associated with this stream.

Returns:

the file descriptor.

o finalize

```
protected void finalize() throws IOException
```

Closes the stream when garbage is collected.