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# Rocky Enterprise Linux 9.2 Manual Pages on command 'chcpu.8'

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chcpu - configure CPUs

#### SYNOPSIS

chcpu -c|-d|-e|-g cpu-list

chcpu -p mode

chcpu -r|-h|-V

#### DESCRIPTION

chcpu can modify the state of CPUs. It can enable or disable CPUs, scan for new CPUs,

change the CPU dispatching mode of the underlying hypervisor, and request CPUs from the

hypervisor (configure) or return CPUs to the hypervisor (deconfigure).

System Administration

Some options have a cpu-list argument. Use this argument to specify a comma-separated list

of CPUs. The list can contain individual CPU addresses or ranges of addresses. For

example, 0,5,7,9-11 makes the command applicable to the CPUs with the addresses 0, 5, 7,

9, 10, and 11.

### OPTIONS

-c, --configure cpu-list

Configure the specified CPUs. Configuring a CPU means that the hypervisor takes a CPU

from the CPU pool and assigns it to the virtual hardware on which your kernel runs.

-d, --disable cpu-list

Disable the specified CPUs. Disabling a CPU means that the kernel sets it offline.

-e, --enable cpu-list

Enable the specified CPUs. Enabling a CPU means that the kernel sets it online. A CPU

must be configured, see -c, before it can be enabled.

-g, --deconfigure cpu-list

Deconfigure the specified CPUs. Deconfiguring a CPU means that the hypervisor removes

the CPU from the virtual hardware on which the Linux instance runs and returns it to

the CPU pool. A CPU must be offline, see -d, before it can be deconfigured.

-p, --dispatch mode

Set the CPU dispatching mode (polarization). This option has an effect only if your

hardware architecture and hypervisor support CPU polarization. Available modes are:

horizontal

The workload is spread across all available CPUs.

# vertical

The workload is concentrated on few CPUs.

#### -r, --rescan

Trigger a rescan of CPUs. After a rescan, the Linux kernel recognizes the new CPUs.

Use this option on systems that do not automatically detect newly attached CPUs.

-V, --version

Display version information and exit.

-h, --help

Display help text and exit.

# EXIT STATUS

chcpu has the following exit status values:

#### 0

success

#### 1

failure

# 64

partial success

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# SEE ALSO

lscpu(1)

# **REPORTING BUGS**

For bug reports, use the issue tracker at https://github.com/karelzak/util-linux/issues.

# AVAILABILITY

The chcpu command is part of the util-linux package which can be downloaded from Linux

Kernel Archive <https://www.kernel.org/pub/linux/utils/util-linux/>.

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