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### ***Rocky Enterprise Linux 9.2 Manual Pages on command 'screendump.1'***

***\$ man screendump.1***

SCREENDUMP(1)                      General Commands Manual                      SCREENDUMP(1)

#### NAME

screendump - dump the contents of a virtual console to stdout

#### SYNOPSIS

screendump [ N ]

#### DESCRIPTION

The `screendump` command dumps the contents of virtual console N , (or the current console if N is omitted) to standard out.

Just saying

```
cat /dev/vcsN
```

has a similar effect.

#### NOTES

For security reasons, `screendump` uses linux devices "virtual console screen" and "virtual console screen with attributes" to give access for `screendump`.

Ensure these files exist, using

```
cd /dev for i in 0 1 2 3 ...; do
    mknod vcs$i c 7 $i
    mknod vcsa$i c 7 `expr 128 + $i`
done
```

(filling in the ellipses) and give the device files appropriate permissions, or run `screendump` as root.

#### SEE ALSO

setterm(1)

