# NAME

getw, putw – input and output of words (ints)

## SYNOPSIS

#### #include <stdio.h>

int getw(FILE \*stream);

int putw(int w, FILE \*stream);

Feature Test Macro Requirements for glibc (see **feature\_test\_macros**(7)):

### DESCRIPTION

getw() reads a word (that is, an *int*) from *stream*. It's provided for compatibility with SVr4. We recommend you use **fread**(3) instead.

**putw**() writes the word *w* (that is, an *int*) to *stream*. It is provided for compatibility with SVr4, but we recommend you use **fwrite**(3) instead.

# **RETURN VALUE**

Normally, getw() returns the word read, and putw() returns 0. On error, they return EOF.

### ATTRIBUTES

For an explanation of the terms used in this section, see **attributes**(7).

Interface	Attribute	Value
<pre>getw(), putw()</pre>	Thread safety	MT-Safe

### **CONFORMING TO**

SVr4, SUSv2. Not present in POSIX.1.

### BUGS

The value returned on error is also a legitimate data value. **ferror**(3) can be used to distinguish between the two cases.

### SEE ALSO

ferror(3), fread(3), fwrite(3), getc(3), putc(3)

### **COLOPHON**

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