## How to update Chrome

This guide will step you through the process of updating your Google Chrome web browser.

#### Chrome auto-updates itself, and that's awesome

Google's Chrome web browser was the first web browser to provide automatic updates. This was something of a revolution, because prior to this, it was the user's responsibility to update their web browser. This usually meant that only the most vigilant and technically savvy users had up to date web browsers.

Having an up to date web browser is vital to having a <u>safe and fully-featured web experience</u> and Chrome's auto-update feature facilitates this very easily.

In most cases - actually, unless you have specifically disabled it - **Chrome will check for updates every couple of hours and automatically update itself**.

#### What if Chrome is not already auto-updating?

If you are being told that Chrome is out of date (our homepage will tell you if <u>Chrome is out of date</u>) then in most cases you just need to wait a few hours and Chrome will auto update itself.

If this doesn't occur, it's possible that:

- Your computer's firewall is preventing Chrome from checking if there are updates
- Your employer has blocked Chrome from auto-updating
- You (or someone else) has configured your Chrome to not auto-update

Fixing these issues is beyond the scope of this article; these situations are typically rare.

## Updating Chrome

This guide will show you how to manually trigger Chrome to check for updates and install them if they are found.

The screenshots below are taken from Mac OS X, but the process is the same on Windows.

Simply opening the "About Chrome" interface is enough to trigger Chrome to check for updates and download them if there are any found.

## 1. Click the "Chrome" menu



This will reveal a menu with lots of options. One of them will be named "About Google Chrome".

### 2. Click "About Google Chrome"



You will be taken to the About page for Chrome.

### 3. Chrome will automatically check for updates

	About
History	Google Chrome
Extensions	A web browser built for speed, simplicity, and secu
Settings	Get help with using Chrome Report an issue

Chrome tells you "**Updating Google Chrome...**" while it checks for a newer version.

# 4. If Chrome finds updates, it will automatically download them - Click "Relaunch" to install them

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Chrome tells you "**Updating Google Chrome...**" while it checks for a newer version of Chrome (and downloads it if one is found).

# 5. When Chrome relaunches, you should be running the latest version



Chrome now tells you "Google Chrome is up to date".

Congratulations, you have now ensured that your copy of Chrome is up to date.

In normal circumstances, Chrome will keep itself up to date automatically - if for some reason Chrome didn't update itself, please speak to your IT Support team for further help.

#### \*The information in this guide was sourced at:

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