

# List secrets and view secret details

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In Secret Manager, a secret acts as a container for multiple secret versions. It holds important information like labels and rotation settings, but not the secret value itself. This page explains how to retrieve a list of all secrets within a project and view the metadata associated with each secret.

## Required roles

To get the permissions that you need to list secrets and view secret metadata, ask your administrator to grant you the [Secret Manager Viewer](#) ( `roles/secretmanager.viewer` ) IAM role on the project, folder, or organization. For more information about granting roles, see [Manage access to projects, folders, and organizations](#).

You might also be able to get the required permissions through [custom roles](#) or other [predefined roles](#).

To retrieve a list of all secrets within a project, use one of the following methods:

1. In the Google Cloud console, go to the **Secret Manager** page.

[Go to Secret Manager](#)

2. Check the list of secrets in the project. You can click a secret to view the secret metadata.

Before using any of the command data below, make the following replacements:

Execute the following command:

### Linux, macOS, or Cloud Shell

```
gcloud secrets list
```

### Windows (PowerShell)

```
gcloud secrets list
```

### Windows (cmd.exe)

```
gcloud secrets list
```

The response returns the list of secrets and their secret versions.

Before using any of the request data, make the following replacements:

- *PROJECT\_ID*: the Google Cloud project ID

HTTP method and URL:

```
GET https://secretmanager.googleapis.com/v1/projects/PROJECT_ID/secrets
```

Request JSON body:

```
{}
```

To send your request, choose one of these options:

Save the request body in a file named `request.json`, and execute the following command:

```
curl -X GET \  
  -H "Authorization: Bearer $(gcloud auth print-access-token)" \  
  -H "Content-Type: application/json; charset=utf-8" \  
  -d @request.json \  
  "https://secretmanager.googleapis.com/v1/projects/PROJECT_ID/secrets"
```

Save the request body in a file named `request.json`, and execute the following command:

```
$cred = gcloud auth print-access-token  
$headers = @{ "Authorization" = "Bearer $cred" }  
  
Invoke-WebRequest \  
  -Method GET \  
  -Headers $headers \  
  -ContentType: "application/json; charset=utf-8" \  
  -InFile request.json \  
  -Uri "https://secretmanager.googleapis.com/v1/projects/  
PROJECT_ID/secrets" | Select-Object -Expand Content
```

You should receive a JSON response similar to the following:

```
{  
  "secrets": [  
    {  
      "name": "projects/PROJECT_ID/locations/LOCATION/secrets/SECRET_ID",  
      "createTime": "2024-09-02T07:14:00.281541Z",  
      "etag": "\"16211daf5f29c5\""  
    },  
  ],  
  "totalSize": 1
```

```
}
```

To run this code, first [set up a C# development environment](#) and [install the Secret Manager C# SDK](#). On Compute Engine or GKE, you must [authenticate with the cloud-platform scope](#).

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## View secret details

To view a secret's metadata, use one of the following methods:

1. In the Google Cloud console, go to the **Secret Manager** page.

[Go to Secret Manager](#)

2. Click the secret whose details you want to view.
3. On the secret details page, click the **Overview** tab. This tab displays the general details and metadata associated with the secret.

Before using any of the command data below, make the following replacements:

- *SECRET\_ID*: the ID of the secret

Execute the following command:

### Linux, macOS, or Cloud Shell

```
gcloud secrets describe SECRET_ID
```

## Windows (PowerShell)

```
gcloud secrets describe SECRET_ID
```

## Windows (cmd.exe)

```
gcloud secrets describe SECRET_ID
```

The response returns the secret.

Before using any of the request data, make the following replacements:

- *PROJECT\_ID*: the Google Cloud project ID
- *SECRET\_ID*: the ID of the secret

HTTP method and URL:

```
GET https://secretmanager.googleapis.com/v1/projects/PROJECT_ID/secrets/SECRET_ID
```

Request JSON body:

```
{}
```

To send your request, choose one of these options:

Save the request body in a file named `request.json` , and execute the following command:

```
curl -X GET \  
  -H "Authorization: Bearer $(gcloud auth print-access-token)" \  
  -H "Content-Type: application/json; charset=utf-8" \  
  -d @request.json \  
  "https://secretmanager.googleapis.com/v1/projects/PROJECT_ID/secrets/SECRET_ID"
```

Save the request body in a file named `request.json` , and execute the following command:

```
$cred = gcloud auth print-access-token  
$headers = @{ "Authorization" = "Bearer $cred" }  
  
Invoke-WebRequest \  
  -Method GET \  
  -Headers $headers \  
  -ContentType: "application/json; charset=utf-8" \  
  -Uri "https://secretmanager.googleapis.com/v1/projects/PROJECT_ID/secrets/SECRET_ID"
```

```
-InFile request.json `
-Uri "https://secretmanager.googleapis.com/v1/projects/
PROJECT_ID/secrets/SECRET_ID" | Select-Object -Expand Content
```

You should receive a JSON response similar to the following:

```
{
  "name": "projects/PROJECT_ID/locations/LOCATION/secrets/SECRET_ID",
  "createTime": "2024-09-02T07:14:00.281541Z",
  "etag": "\"16211daf5f29c5\""
}
```

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## What's next

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- Learn how to [set up rotation schedules for secrets](#).
- Learn how to [set up notifications on a secret](#).