How to fix "fatal error: ncursesw/ncurses.h: No such file or directory"

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Question: When I try to compile a program, it fails with the following error.

fatal error: ncursesw/ncurses.h: No such file or directory

#include

How can I fix this error on [insert your Linux distro]?

ncursesw/ncurses.h is a development header file for ncursesw, which is source-compatible with ncurses library, but supports wide characters or Unicode (UTF8). The compile error implies that the development header files and libraries for ncursesw are not installed on your Linux system.

To fix this error, you need to install the development library for ncursesw as follows.

On Debian, Ubuntu or Linux Mint:

\$ sudo apt-get install libncursesw5-dev

On CentOS, Fedora or RHEL:

\$ sudo yum install ncurses-devel