

**NAME**

**clear** - clear the terminal screen

**SYNOPSIS**

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**DESCRIPTION**

**clear** clears your screen if this is possible, including its scrollback buffer (if the extended "E3" capability is defined). **clear** looks in the environment for the terminal type and then in the **terminfo** database to determine how to clear the screen.

**clear** ignores any command-line parameters that may be present.

**SEE ALSO**

[tput\(1\)](#), [terminfo\(5\)](#)

This describes **ncurses** version 5.9 (patch 20150516).