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## Backing up whatsapp data on android

Maybe you like to use WhatsApp for work because it's one of the best messaging apps out there. On the other hand, perhaps it's just a convenient (and free!) way to keep in touch with friends. Either way, you probably have some pretty important messages and media in there, and it'd be a shame if it all suddenly disappeared. That's why it's a great idea to back up your messages, photos, and videos. Here's how to do just that using Google Drive. If you're planning on switching from Android to iPhone and want to take your WhatsApp messages with you, you're kind of out of luck. When you back up WhatsApp on your Android phone, you back up to Google Drive. The Android WhatsApp app uses Google Drive to back up and restore. The iOS app uses iCloud to do both of those. Even if you have the iOS Google Drive app, you still won't be able to restore your Android WhatsApp files this way.



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You can switch from Android phone to Android phone, and you'll be able to have your messages and media follow you wherever you go. It's also a bit of extra insurance in case WhatsApp decides to one day crash beyond repair, and you end up having to uninstall and reinstall it. Here's how to backup with Google Drive: 1. Launch WhatsApp on your Android phone. 2. Tap the three vertical dots in the top-right corner of the screen. 3. Tap Settings. 4. Tap Chats. (Image credit: Android Central) 5. Tap Chat backup. 6. Tap Back up to Google Drive to choose the frequency with which you'd like to backup your chats (we're choosing Daily for this example). (Image credit: Android Central) 7. Choose the Google account you want to back up. 8. Tap Allow. 9. Tap Include videos if you want to back up videos. 10. Tap Back up to initiate your first backup. (Image credit: Android Central) Now that everything's backed up, you'll be able to restore your chats every time you reinstall WhatsApp, no matter the device.



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It may be prudent to plug your phone in when backing up, as the first backup could take a while, depending on the sizes of your chats. The beautiful thing is that every backup you perform after the first one is incremental, which means it will add to the current backup instead of erasing everything and starting again or adding an entire backup over the old one, taking up less space. How to restore WhatsApp chats from a Google Drive backup. Everything's backed up. Great! You've changed phones or have had to reinstall WhatsApp. Not so great. Now how do you get all your chats back? jalatupewa Here's how! 1. Launch WhatsApp on your Android phone. 2. Tap Agree and continue. 3. Enter your phone number to verify it. 4. Tap Next. 5. Tap OK. (Image credit: Android Central) 6. Tap Continue. 7. Tap Restore. 8. Enter your name. 9. Tap Next. (Image credit: Android Central) Now you can access your WhatsApp chats on any Android phone that has WhatsApp installed. All you have to do is sign in. So if you want to move your WhatsApp data from one phone to another, follow the above steps. Back up your data to the cloud. Keeping a copy of your private messages, photos, and other data in the cloud is a fail-safe way to keep your data backed up. Even if your device fails or the internet goes out, you'll surely be able to access your data from somewhere else with a solid internet connection. We recommend using one of the top cloud storage services for maximum security. If you're paranoid about losing your cloud storage account, we highly recommend setting up an offline network-attached storage for your home. Our resident NAS expert Harish Jommalagadda suggests getting one of the best NAS systems for personal use, especially something from Synology. If you're a total newbie, our guide will walk you through the steps of setting up a NAS server to store your media files. Get the hottest deals available in your inbox plus news, reviews, opinion, analysis and more from the Android Central team. When you lose or break your phone, you're losing much more than just a calling device. The actual cost comes in all of the data you may lose. Yes, Google Photos and Google Drive will back up some of your important files, but other apps aren't automatic. One such app is WhatsApp, but there's a way to make life easier. Here's how to backup WhatsApp and save your data. Read also: How to backup your Android phone. Fortunately, it takes just minutes to store your information in the cloud, and it's completely free. Here's how to backup WhatsApp and never lose another message again. How to back up WhatsApp. If you're worried about backing up your WhatsApp files, the good news is that your phone already has a backup. The app automatically creates a local backup every night, provided you are connected to Wi-Fi and have sufficient storage and battery life. That said, only cloud backups will protect you if you lose or break your phone. Read also: How to add and delete a WhatsApp contact. To help with this, you'll also find a built-in function to back up all of your messages and media to the cloud via Google Drive. You can schedule it to run automatically every day, week, or month, with the additional option of backing up manually whenever you want. How to backup WhatsApp. Tap the three dots in the top right, then Settings. Tap Chats, then Chat backup at the bottom. Configure your WhatsApp backup settings.

At the top of the screen, you will see a log of your recent WhatsApp backups, plus an option to back up right away. Make sure to do this on Wi-Fi if possible, as backing up media can use up heaps of mobile data. Read also: 21 essential WhatsApp tricks and tips you should know. Below that, you can choose the Google Account you want to back up to, your backup frequency, and more. We recommend not backing up videos, as this will quickly eat through your Google Drive storage limit! It's worth noting that you can only backup WhatsApp files via Google Drive for now. If your phone doesn't have Google Play Services (newer HUAWEI phones, for example), you may not be able to create a WhatsApp backup using the method above. Additionally, WhatsApp backups are not protected by end-to-end encryption like messages are, and your Google Drive purges them automatically after one year of inactivity. Read also: How to delete a WhatsApp account. Restoring a WhatsApp backup. Edgar Cervantes / Android Authority. When you want to install WhatsApp on a new phone, the process for restoring all of your messages and media via your backup is simple. Before you get started, though, make sure you've logged into the same Google Account that you used for your backup. How to restore a WhatsApp backup. Install WhatsApp via the Play Store or App Store. Open WhatsApp and verify your phone number. Tap Restore when prompted during setup. [Ivisuaja](#) Tap Next and wait for the WhatsApp backup to complete. The app will restore all of your messages first, then move on to media, which may take longer. If you are reinstalling the app on a phone with a local backup, WhatsApp may use that copy instead. Your phone makes local backups every day by default, so it may have more recent data than your cloud-based backup files. Read also: WhatsApp not working? Here are 5 easy fixes to try to fix it.