

**NAME**

**ecvt\_r**, **fcvt\_r**, **qecvt\_r**, **qfcvt\_r** – convert a floating-point number to a string

**SYNOPSIS**

```
#include <stdlib.h>
```

```
int ecvt_r(double number, int ndigits, int *decpt,
           int *sign, char *buf, size_t len);

int fcvt_r(double number, int ndigits, int *decpt,
           int *sign, char *buf, size_t len);

int qecvt_r(long double number, int ndigits, int *decpt,
            int *sign, char *buf, size_t len);

int qfcvt_r(long double number, int ndigits, int *decpt,
            int *sign, char *buf, size_t len);
```

Feature Test Macro Requirements for glibc (see **feature\_test\_macros(7)**):

```
ecvt_r(), fcvt_r(), qecvt_r(), qfcvt_r():
/* Glibc since 2.19: */ _DEFAULT_SOURCE
|| /* Glibc versions <= 2.19: */ _SVID_SOURCE || _BSD_SOURCE
```

**DESCRIPTION**

The functions **ecvt\_r()**, **fcvt\_r()**, **qecvt\_r()**, and **qfcvt\_r()** are identical to **ecvt(3)**, **fcvt(3)**, **qecvt(3)**, and **qfcvt(3)**, respectively, except that they do not return their result in a static buffer, but instead use the supplied *buf* of size *len*. See **ecvt(3)** and **qecvt(3)**.

**RETURN VALUE**

These functions return 0 on success, and -1 otherwise.

**ATTRIBUTES**

For an explanation of the terms used in this section, see **attributes(7)**.

Interface	Attribute	Value
<b>ecvt_r()</b> , <b>fcvt_r()</b> , <b>qecvt_r()</b> , <b>qfcvt_r()</b>	Thread safety	MT-Safe

**CONFORMING TO**

These functions are GNU extensions.

**NOTES**

These functions are obsolete. Instead, **sprintf(3)** is recommended.

**SEE ALSO**

**ecvt(3)**, **qecvt(3)**, **sprintf(3)**

**COLOPHON**

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