# NAME

curl\_easy\_send - sends raw data over an "easy" connection

## SYNOPSIS

## #include <curl/easy.h>

CURLcode curl\_easy\_send( CURL \**curl*, const void \**buffer*, size\_t *buffen*, size\_t \**n*);

## DESCRIPTION

This function sends arbitrary data over the established connection. You may use it together with  $curl_easy\_recv(3)$  to implement custom protocols using libcurl. This functionality can be particularly useful if you use proxies and/or SSL encryption: libcurl will take care of proxy negotiation and connection setup.

**buffer** is a pointer to the data of length **buffen** that you want sent. The variable **n** points to will receive the number of sent bytes.

To establish the connection, set **CURLOPT\_CONNECT\_ONLY** option before calling *curl\_easy\_per-form(3)*. Note that *curl\_easy\_send(3)* will not work on connections that were created without this option.

You must ensure that the socket is writable before calling *curl\_easy\_send(3)*, otherwise the call will return **CURLE\_AGAIN** - the socket is used in non-blocking mode internally. Use *curl\_easy\_getinfo(3)* with **CURLINFO\_LASTSOCKET** to obtain the socket; use your operating system facilities like *select(2)* to check if it can be written to.

## AVAILABILITY

Added in 7.18.2.

## **RETURN VALUE**

On success, returns **CURLE\_OK** and stores the number of bytes actually sent into **\*n**. Note that this may very well be less than the amount you wanted to send.

On failure, returns the appropriate error code.

## EXAMPLE

See **sendrecv.c** in **docs/examples** directory for usage example.

## SEE ALSO

curl\_easy\_setopt(3), curl\_easy\_perform(3), curl\_easy\_getinfo(3), curl\_easy\_recv(3)