

**NAME**

`ares_version` – Get the version number of the library

**SYNOPSIS**

```
#include <ares.h>
```

```
const char *ares_version(int *version)
```

**DESCRIPTION**

The `ares_version` function gets the library version as a string and optionally as an integer stored in the `version`, argument. If you pass a NULL, no integer is attempted to be returned.

The integer is built up as 24bit number, with 8 separate bits used for major number, minor number and patch number. This makes a version string such as 1.2.3 will be returned as the hexadecimal number 0x010203 (decimal 66051).

**NOTES**

This function is not compatible with `ares`.

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