



M61 Enterprise Release Notes

Every 6 weeks, Google releases an update to its Chrome Browser. Each release includes thousands of improvements and other changes. The following release notes are intended for IT administrators managing the Chrome Browser in their organization.

These release notes were last updated on April 4, 2018

See the latest version of these release notes online at <https://support.google.com/chrome/a/answer/7679408>

Additional resources

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Security updates

To learn about the latest Chrome security changes, see the [Chrome Releases Blog](#).

Final removal of trust in WoSign and StartCom certificates

Chrome 61 or later won't trust website authentication certificates issued by [WoSign or StartCom](#). This is the culmination of a multi-release distrust process.

Enterprise features

Side-by-side Chrome channels on Windows

Chrome supports multiple release channels with varying degrees of stability and support. Most users browse with the Stable channel of Chrome. In addition to Stable, Google also ships early-access Chrome channels (Dev, Beta) to get early feedback on features and changes, directly

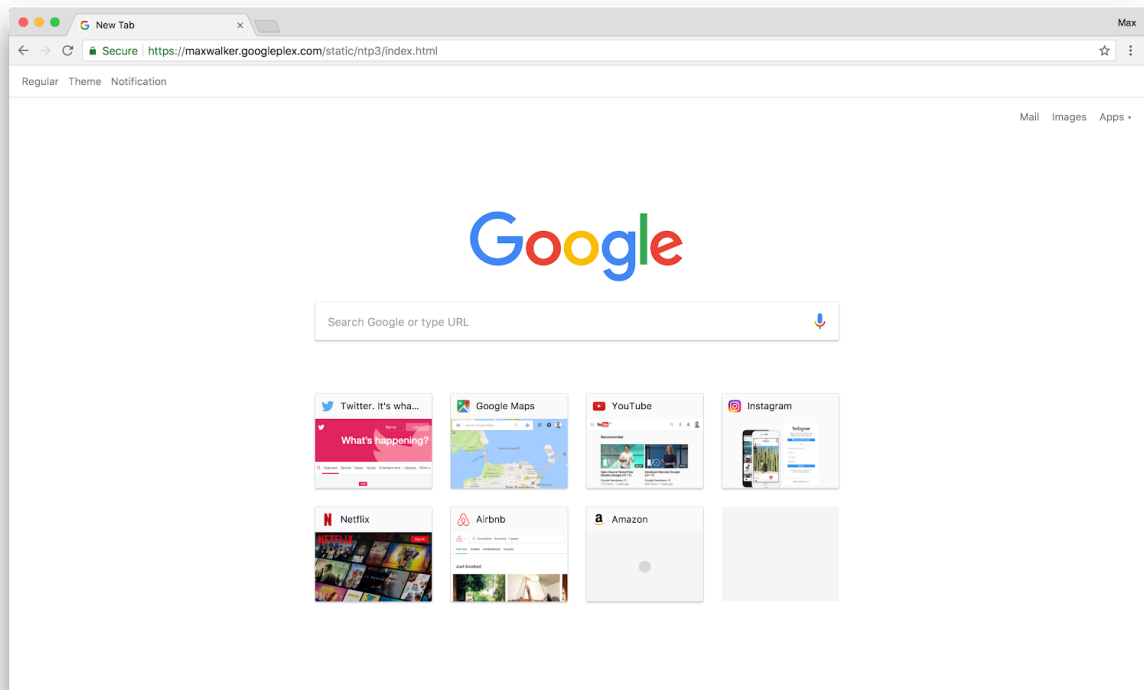
from users and developers. Early-access channels allow developers and admins to try cutting-edge features and validate that business critical applications continue to function as Chrome changes.

Currently, you can't install and run Dev or Beta Chrome on the same computer as the Stable version of Chrome. Starting M61, users can install and run Dev, Beta, and Stable versions concurrently on the same Windows computer. For more details, see the [blog](#).

UI changes

Material Design for New Tab Page (NTP)

We applied a modernized Material Design look to the Desktop NTP. The search bar has been updated to a lighter drop-shadow style that is consistent with Google Web Search. Most visited sites has also been updated to use the same lighter style and refined hover, focus, and active states.



New messaging for installing extensions that modify New Tab Page (NTP)

Extensions can modify the main site shown on a new tab, called the new tab page (NTP). Users often install extensions that modify NTP but aren't fully aware of how their experience will change. Starting in M61, there is a new permission warning shown at extension install time, which will indicate that the extension can change the default NTP to a custom site. The goal of these changes is to improve user awareness about extensions that will change their Chrome defaults, once installed.

Deprecations

Adobe Flash Deprecation

Adobe announced on July 25, 2017 it plans to deprecate Flash by the end of 2020. See [Adobe's announcement](#) and [Chrome's blog post](#) regarding the Flash deprecation.

To see all of the changes that are in Chrome 61, visit the [commit log](#).