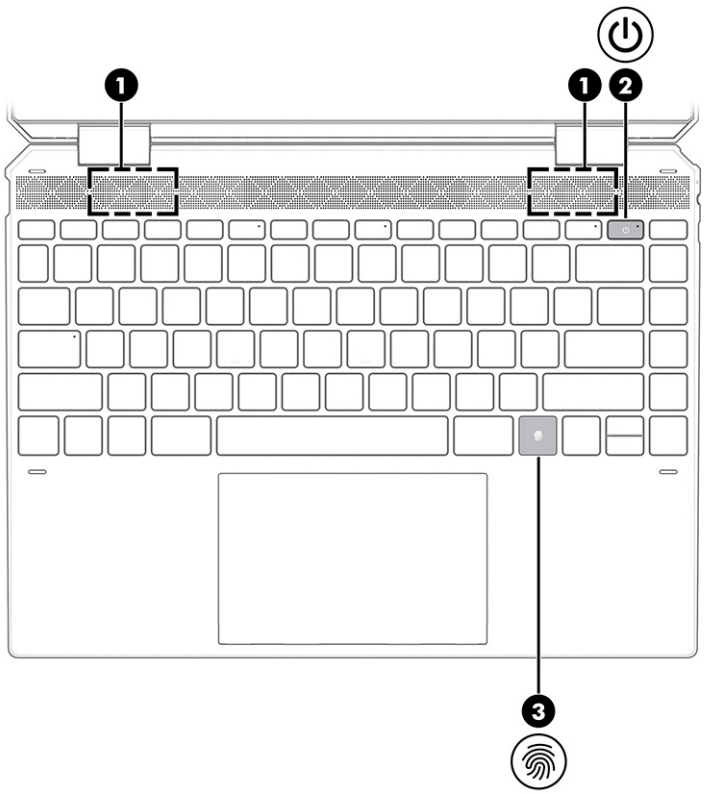
Table 2-5 Lights and their descriptions (continued)

Component	Description
	• Blinking (select products only): The computer is in the Sleep state, a power-saving state. The computer shuts off power to the display and other unnecessary components. • Off: Depending on your computer model, the computer is off, in Hibernation, or in Sleep. Hibernation is the power-saving state that uses the least amount of power.

Button, speakers, and fingerprint reader

Identify the computer button, speakers and fingerprint reader.



Fingerprint readers, which enable a fingerprint logon, can be located on the touchpad, on a side panel of the computer, or on the top cover below the keyboard.

Table 2-6 Button, speakers, and fingerprint reader and their descriptions

Component		Description
(1)	Speakers (2)	Produce sound.
(2)	Power button	• When the computer is off, press the button briefly to turn on the computer. • When the computer is on, press the button briefly to initiate Sleep. • When the computer is in the Sleep state, press the button briefly to exit Sleep (select products only).

Table 2-6 Button, speakers, and fingerprint reader and their descriptions (continued)

Component			Description
			• When the computer is in Hibernation, press the button briefly to exit Hibernation. **IMPORTANT:** Pressing and holding down the power button results in the loss of unsaved information. If the computer has stopped responding and shutdown procedures are ineffective, press and hold the power button down for at least 10 seconds to turn off the computer. To learn more about your power settings, see your power options: ▲ Right-click the **Power** icon, and then select **Power Options**.
(3)		Fingerprint reader	Allows a fingerprint logon to Windows, instead of a password logon. ▲ Touch your finger to the fingerprint reader. See Using Windows Hello (select products only) on page 40 for details. **IMPORTANT:** To prevent fingerprint logon issues, make sure when you register your fingerprint that all sides of your finger are registered by the fingerprint reader.

Special keys

Identify the special keys.

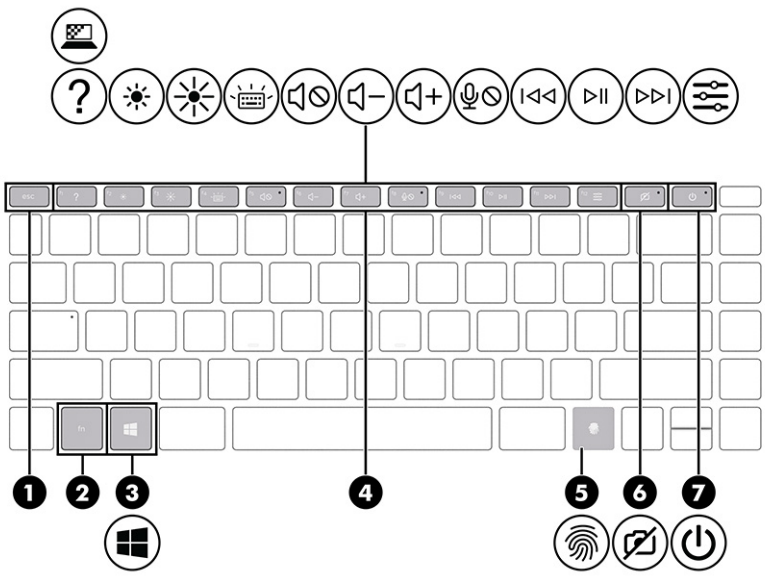


Table 2-7 Special keys and their descriptions

Component		Description
(1)	esc key	Displays system information when pressed in combination with the fn key.

Table 2-7 Special keys and their descriptions (continued)

Component			Description
(2)		fn key	Executes specific functions when pressed in combination with another key.
(3)		Windows key	Opens the Start menu. **NOTE:** Pressing the Windows key again will close the Start menu.
(4)		Action keys	Execute frequently used system functions as defined by the icon symbols on f1 through f12 function keys. See Action keys on page 11.
(5)		Fingerprint reader	Allows a fingerprint logon to Windows, instead of a password logon. ▲ Touch your finger to the fingerprint reader. See Using Windows Hello (select products only) on page 40 for details. **IMPORTANT:** To prevent fingerprint logon issues, make sure when you register your fingerprint that all sides of your finger are registered by the fingerprint reader.
(6)		Camera privacy key	Turns the camera off and on. **NOTE:** For more information, see Using the camera on page 20.
(7)		Power button	• When the computer is off, press the button briefly to turn on the computer. • When the computer is on, press the button briefly to initiate Sleep. • When the computer is in the Sleep state, press the button briefly to exit Sleep (select products only). • When the computer is in Hibernation, press the button briefly to exit Hibernation. **IMPORTANT:** Pressing and holding down the power button results in the loss of unsaved information. If the computer has stopped responding and shutdown procedures are ineffective, press and hold the power button down for at least 10 seconds to turn off the computer. To learn more about your power settings, see your power options: ▲ Right-click the **Power** icon , and then select **Power Options**.

Action keys

Identify the action keys.

The action keys execute frequently used system functions as defined by the icon symbols on f1 through f12. The Action keys vary by computer.

▲ To use an action key, press and hold the key.

NOTE: On some products, you must press the fn key in combination with the action key.

Table 2-8 Action keys and their descriptions

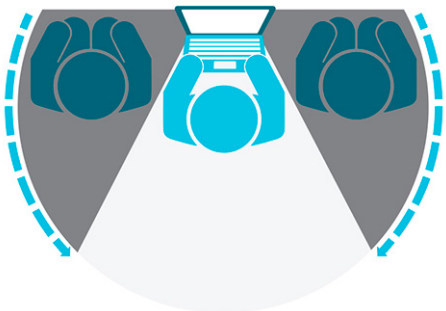
Icon	Description
?	Opens the “How to get help in Windows 10” webpage.
	Helps prevent side-angle viewing from onlookers. If needed, decrease or increase brightness for well-lit or darker environments. Press the key again to turn off the privacy screen. 
	Decreases the screen brightness incrementally as long as you hold down the key.
	Increases the screen brightness incrementally as long as you hold down the key.
	Turns the keyboard backlight off or on. On select products, you can adjust the brightness of the keyboard backlight. Press the key repeatedly to adjust the brightness from high (when you first start up the computer), to low, to off. After you adjust the keyboard backlight setting, the backlight will revert to your previous setting each time you turn on the computer. The keyboard backlight will turn off after 30 seconds of inactivity. To turn the keyboard backlight back on, press any key or tap the touchpad (select products only). To conserve battery power, turn off this feature.
	Mutes or restores speaker sound.
	Decreases speaker volume incrementally while you hold down the key.
	Increases speaker volume incrementally while you hold down the key.
	Mutes the microphone.
	Plays the previous track of an audio CD or the previous section of a DVD or a Blu-ray Disc (BD).
	Starts, pauses, or resumes playback of an audio CD, a DVD, or a BD.

Table 2-8 Action keys and their descriptions (continued)

Icon	Description
▶▶|	Plays the next track of an audio CD or the next section of a DVD or a BD.
	Opens the HP Command Center app. This app allows you to adjust the temperature and cooling preferences on your computer.

Bottom

Identify the bottom components.

NOTE: Your computer might look slightly different from the illustration in this section.

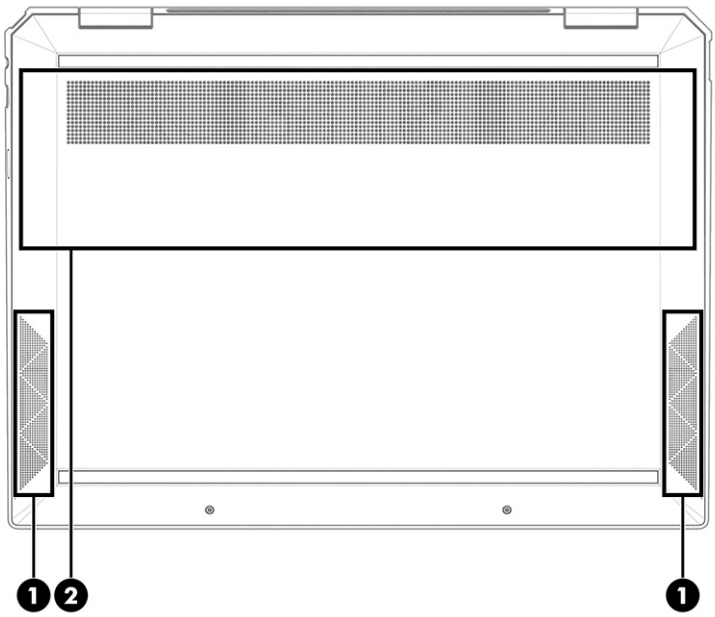


Table 2-9 Bottom components and their descriptions

Component		Description
(1)	Speakers (2)	Produce sound.
(2)	Vent	Enables airflow to cool internal components. **NOTE:** The computer fan starts up automatically to cool internal components and prevent overheating. It is normal for the internal fan to cycle on and off during routine operation.

Labels

The labels affixed to the computer provide information that you might need when you troubleshoot system problems or travel internationally with the computer. Labels can be in paper form or imprinted on the product.

IMPORTANT: Check the following locations for the labels described in this section: the bottom of the computer, inside the battery bay, under the service door, on the back of the display, or on the bottom of a tablet kickstand.

- Service label—Provides important information to identify your computer. When contacting support, you might be asked for the serial number, the product number, or the model number. Locate this information before you contact support.

  Your service label will resemble one of the following examples. Refer to the illustration that most closely matches the service label on your computer.

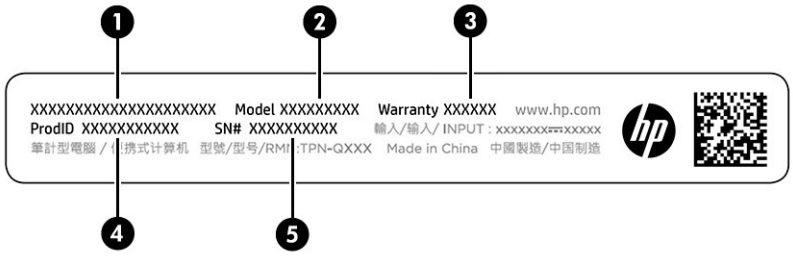


Table 2-10 Service label components

Component	
(1)	HP product name
(2)	Model number
(3)	Warranty period
(4)	Product ID
(5)	Serial number

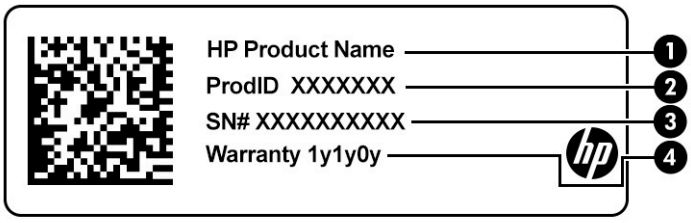


Table 2-11 Service label components

Component	
(1)	HP product name
(2)	Product ID
(3)	Serial number
(4)	Warranty period

- Regulatory label(s)—Provide(s) regulatory information about the computer.
- Wireless certification label(s)—Provide(s) information about optional wireless devices and the approval markings for the countries or regions in which the devices have been approved for use.

Using a SIM card (select products only)

Use these instructions to insert a SIM card.

IMPORTANT: You can damage the SIM card if you insert the wrong size card or insert it or the SIM card tray in the wrong direction. The card might also become stuck in the slot. Do not use SIM card adapters. To prevent damage to the SIM card or connectors, use minimal force when inserting or removing a SIM card.

Determining the correct SIM card size for your computer

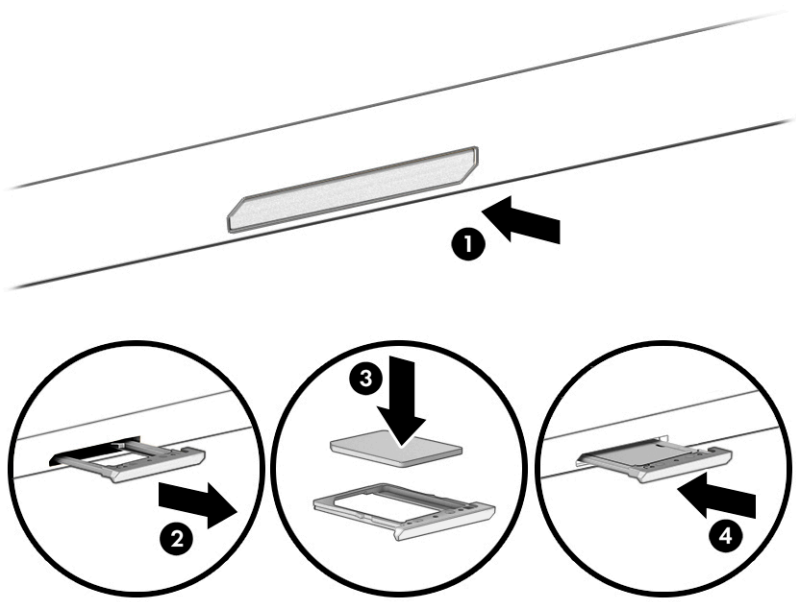
Before purchasing a SIM card, follow these instructions to determine the correct SIM card size for your computer.

1. Go to http://www.hp.com/support, and then search for your computer by product name or number.
2. Select **Product Information**.
3. Refer to the listed options to determine which card to purchase.

Inserting a nano SIM card

To insert a nano SIM card, follow these steps.

1. Position the computer display-side up on a flat surface.
2. Press in gently on the SIM card access tray to disengage the SIM lock, and the tray will pop out of the slot **(1)**.
3. Remove the tray **(2)** from the computer and insert the card **(3)**.
4. Replace the tray in the computer. Press in gently on the tray **(4)** until it is firmly seated.



To remove the SIM card, press in gently on the SIM card access tray to disengage the SIM lock, and the tray will pop out of the slot. Remove the SIM card. Replace the tray in the computer and press in gently on the tray until it is firmly seated.

3 Connecting to a network

Your computer can travel with you wherever you go. But even at home, you can explore the globe and access information from millions of websites by using your computer and a wired or wireless network connection. This chapter helps you get connected to that world.

Connecting to a wireless network

Your computer might be equipped with one or more wireless devices.

- WLAN device—Connects the computer to wireless local area networks (commonly referred to as Wi-Fi networks, wireless LANs, or WLANs) in corporate offices, your home, and public places such as airports, restaurants, coffee shops, hotels, and universities. The WLAN device in your computer communicates with a wireless router or a wireless access point.
- HP Mobile Broadband Module—Gives you wireless connectivity over a wireless wide area network (WWAN), a much larger area. Mobile network operators install base stations (similar to cell phone towers) throughout large geographic areas, effectively providing coverage across entire states, regions, or even countries.
- Bluetooth® device—Creates a personal area network (PAN) to connect to other Bluetooth-enabled devices such as computers, phones, printers, headsets, speakers, and cameras. In a PAN, each device communicates directly with other devices, and devices must be relatively close together—typically within 10 m (approximately 33 ft) of each other.

Using the wireless controls

You can control the wireless devices in your computer using one or more features.

- Airplane mode key (also called *wireless button* or *wireless key*)
- Operating system controls

Airplane mode key

The computer might have an airplane mode key, one or more wireless devices, and one or two wireless lights. All the wireless devices on your computer are enabled at the factory.

The wireless light indicates the overall power state of your wireless devices, not the status of individual devices.

Operating system controls

The Network and Sharing Center allows you to set up a connection or network, connect to a network, and diagnose and repair network problems.

To use operating system controls:

On the taskbar, right-click the network status icon, and then select **Open Network & Internet settings**.

– or –

On the taskbar, select the network status icon, and then select **Network & Internet settings**.

Connecting to a WLAN

Before you can connect to a WLAN with this procedure, you must first set up internet access.

NOTE: When you are setting up internet access in your home, you must establish an account with an internet service provider (ISP). To purchase internet service and a modem, contact a local ISP. The ISP will help set up the modem, install a network cable to connect your wireless router to the modem, and test the internet service.

1. Be sure that the WLAN device is on.
2. On the taskbar, select the network status icon, and then connect to one of the available networks.

   If the WLAN is a security-enabled WLAN, you are prompted to enter a security code. Enter the code, and then select **Next** to complete the connection.

   NOTE: If no WLANs are listed, you might be out of range of a wireless router or access point.

   NOTE: If you do not see the WLAN that you want to connect to:

   On the taskbar, right-click the network status icon, and then select **Open Network & Internet settings**.

   – or –

   On the taskbar, select the network status icon, and then select **Network & Internet settings**.

   Under the **Change your network settings** section, select **Network and Sharing Center**.

   Select **Set up a new connection or network**.

   A list of options is displayed, which allows you to manually search for and connect to a network or to create a new network connection.
3. Follow the on-screen instructions to complete the connection.

After the connection is made, right-click the network status icon at the far right of the taskbar to verify the name and status of the connection.

NOTE: The functional range (how far your wireless signals travel) depends on WLAN implementation, router manufacturer, and interference from other electronic devices or structural barriers such as walls and floors.

Using HP Mobile Broadband (select products only)

Your HP Mobile Broadband computer has built-in support for mobile broadband service. Your new computer, when used with a mobile operator's network, gives you the freedom to connect to the internet, send email, or connect to your corporate network without the need for Wi-Fi hotspots.

You might need the HP Mobile Broadband Module IMEI number, MEID number, or both to activate mobile broadband service. The number might be printed on a label located on the bottom of your computer, inside the battery bay, under the service door, or on the back of the display.

– or –

1. On the taskbar, select the network status icon.
2. Select **Network & Internet settings**.
3. Under the **Network & Internet** section, select **Cellular**, and then select **Advanced Options**.

Some mobile network operators require the use of a subscriber identity module (SIM) card. A SIM card contains basic information about you, such as a personal identification number (PIN), as well as network information. Some computers include a SIM card that is preinstalled. If the SIM card is not preinstalled, it

might be included with the HP Mobile Broadband documents provided with your computer, or the mobile network operator might provide it separately from the computer.

For information about HP Mobile Broadband and how to activate service with a preferred mobile network operator, see the HP Mobile Broadband information included with your computer.

Using eSIM (select products only)

Your computer might be equipped with an eSIM. An eSIM is a programmable version of the commonly used SIM that you can use to download different profiles from selected carriers.

An eSIM lets you connect to the internet over a cellular data connection. With an eSIM, you do not need to get a SIM card from your mobile operator, and you can quickly switch between mobile operators and data plans. For example, you might have one cellular data plan for work and a different plan with another mobile operator for personal use. If you travel, you can connect in more places by finding mobile operators with plans in that area.

You can implement eSIMs in two ways:

- The eSIM chip can be embedded (eUICC). The notebook then operates as a dual SIM, one as eUICC and the second as standard micro or nano SIM card on a SIM card tray. Only one SIM can be active at a time.
- A removable physical eSIM is placed on a SIM card tray like a standard micro or nano SIM card, but the eSIM is not limited to a single carrier (physical blank eSIM).

You must add an eSIM profile to connect to the internet using cellular data. To add a profile, manage SIM profiles, and learn how to use an eSIM, go to https://www.support.microsoft.com , and type `Use an eSIM` in the search bar.

Using GPS (select products only)

Your computer might be equipped with a Global Positioning System (GPS) device. GPS satellites deliver location, speed, and direction information to GPS-equipped systems.

To enable GPS, be sure location is enabled under the Location setting.

▲ Type `location` in the taskbar search box, select **Location privacy settings**, and then select a setting.

Using Bluetooth wireless devices (select products only)

A Bluetooth device provides short-range wireless communications that replace the physical cable connections that traditionally link electronic devices.

- Computers (desktop, notebook)
- Phones (cellular, cordless, smartphone)
- Imaging devices (printer, camera)
- Audio devices (headset, speakers)
- Mouse
- External keyboard

Connecting Bluetooth devices

Before you can use a Bluetooth device, you must establish a Bluetooth connection.

1. Type `bluetooth` in the taskbar search box, and then select **Bluetooth and other devices settings**.
2. Enable **Bluetooth**, if it is not already enabled.
3. Select **Add Bluetooth or other device**, and then in the **Add a device** dialog box, select **Bluetooth**.
4. Select your device from the list, and then follow the on-screen instructions.

NOTE: If the device requires verification, a pairing code is displayed. On the device that you are adding, follow the on-screen instructions to verify that the code on your device matches the pairing code. For more information, see the documentation provided with the device.

NOTE: If your device does not appear in the list, be sure that Bluetooth on that device is turned on. Some devices might have additional requirements; see the documentation provided with the device.

Connecting to a wired network—LAN (select products only)

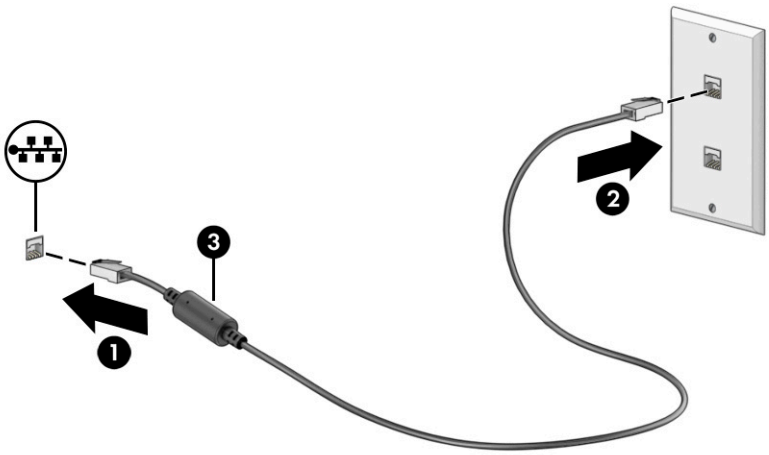
Use a LAN connection if you want to connect the computer directly to a router in your home (instead of working wirelessly) or if you want to connect to an existing network at your office.

If there is no RJ-45 port on the computer, connecting to a LAN requires a network cable and a network jack or an optional docking device or expansion product.

To connect the network cable, follow these steps:

1. Plug the network cable into the network jack **(1)** on the computer.
2. Plug the other end of the network cable into a network wall jack **(2)** or router.

NOTE: If the network cable contains noise suppression circuitry **(3)**, which prevents interference from TV and radio reception, orient the circuitry end of the cable toward the computer.



4 Enjoying entertainment features

Use your HP computer as an entertainment hub to socialize via the camera, enjoy and manage your music, and download and watch movies. Or, to make your computer an even more powerful entertainment center, connect external devices like a monitor, projector, TV, speakers, or headphones.

Using the camera

Your computer has one or more cameras that enable you to connect with others for work or play. Cameras can be front facing, rear facing, or pop up.

To determine which camera or cameras are on your product, see Getting to know your computer on page 3.

Most cameras allow you to video chat, record video, and record still images. Some also provide HD (high-definition) capability, apps for gaming, or facial recognition software like Windows Hello. See Securing your computer and information on page 39 for details about using Windows Hello.

On select products, you can also enhance your camera privacy by turning the camera off. By default, the camera is turned on. To turn off your camera, press the camera privacy key. The camera privacy light turns on. To turn the camera back on, press the key again.

To use your camera, type `camera` in the taskbar search box, and then select **Camera** from the list of applications.

Using audio

You can download and listen to music, stream audio content (including radio) from the web, record audio, or mix audio and video to create multimedia. You can also play music CDs on the computer (on select products) or attach an external optical drive to play CDs. To enhance your listening enjoyment, attach external audio devices such as speakers or headphones.

Connecting speakers

You can attach wired speakers to your computer by connecting them to a USB port or to the audio-out (headphone)/audio-in (microphone) combo jack on your computer or on a docking station.

To connect wireless speakers to your computer, follow the device manufacturer's instructions. Before connecting speakers, lower the volume setting.

Connecting headphones

You can connect wired headphones to the audio-out (headphone)/audio-in (microphone) combo jack on your computer.

⚠ **WARNING!** To reduce the risk of personal injury, lower the volume setting before putting on headphones, earbuds, or a headset. For additional safety information, see the *Regulatory, Safety, and Environmental Notices*.

To access this document:

▲ Type `HP Documentation` in the taskbar search box, and then select **HP Documentation**.

To connect wireless headphones to your computer, follow the device manufacturer's instructions.

Connecting headsets

Headphones combined with a microphone are called *headsets*. You can connect wired headsets to the audio-out (headphone)/audio-in (microphone) combo jack on your computer.

WARNING! To reduce the risk of personal injury, lower the volume setting before putting on headphones, earbuds, or a headset. For additional safety information, see the *Regulatory, Safety, and Environmental Notices*.

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To connect wireless headsets to your computer, follow the device manufacturer's instructions.

Using sound settings

Use sound settings to adjust system volume, change system sounds, or manage audio devices.

Sound settings

To view or change sound settings, follow these steps.

▲ Type `control panel` in the taskbar search box, select **Control Panel**, select **Hardware and Sound**, and then select **Sound**.

Audio settings

Your computer might include an enhanced sound system by Bang & Olufsen, B&O, or another provider. As a result, your computer might include advanced audio features that can be controlled through an audio control panel specific to your sound system.

Use the audio control panel to view and control audio settings.

▲ Type `control panel` in the taskbar search box, select **Control Panel**, select **Hardware and Sound**, and then select the audio control panel specific to your system.

Using video

Your computer is a powerful video device that enables you to watch streaming video from your favorite websites and download video and movies to watch on your computer when you are not connected to a network.

To enhance your viewing enjoyment, use one of the video ports on the computer to connect an external monitor, projector, or TV.

IMPORTANT: Be sure that the external device is connected to the correct port on the computer, using the correct cable. Follow the device manufacturer's instructions.

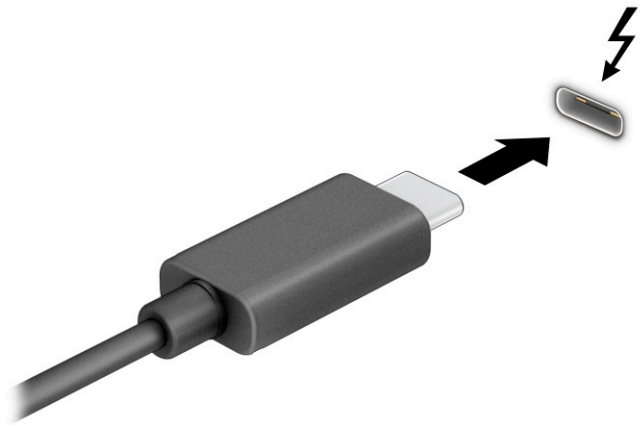
For information about using your USB Type-C features, go to http://www.hp.com/support, and follow the instructions to find your product.

Connecting a Thunderbolt device using a USB Type-C cable (select products only)

To see video or high-resolution display output on an external Thunderbolt device, connect the Thunderbolt device according to the instructions.

NOTE: To connect a USB Type-C Thunderbolt™ device to your computer, you need a USB Type-C cable, purchased separately.

1. Connect one end of the USB Type-C cable to the USB Type-C Thunderbolt port on the computer.



2. Connect the other end of the cable to the external Thunderbolt device.
3. Press the Windows key + p to cycle through one of four display states:
   - **PC screen only:** View the screen image on the computer only.
   - **Duplicate:** View the screen image simultaneously on both the computer and external device.
   - **Extend:** View the screen image extended across both the computer and external device.
   - **Second screen only:** View the screen image on the external device only.

   Each time you press the Windows key + p, the display state changes.

NOTE: For best results, especially if you choose the **Extend** option, increase the screen resolution of the external device, as follows. Select the **Start** button, select **Settings**, and then select **System**. Under **Display**, select the appropriate resolution, and then select **Keep changes**.

Discovering and connecting to Miracast-compatible wireless displays (select products only)

Follow these steps to discover and connect to Miracast®-compatible wireless displays without leaving your current apps.

1. Type `project` in the taskbar search box, and then select **Project to a second screen**.
2. Select **Connect to a wireless display**, and then follow the on-screen instructions.

Using data transfer

Your computer is a powerful entertainment device that enables you to transfer photos, videos, and movies from your USB devices to view on your computer.

To enhance your viewing enjoyment, use one of the USB Type-C ports on the computer to connect a USB device, such as a cell phone, camera, activity tracker, or smartwatch, and transfer the files to your computer.

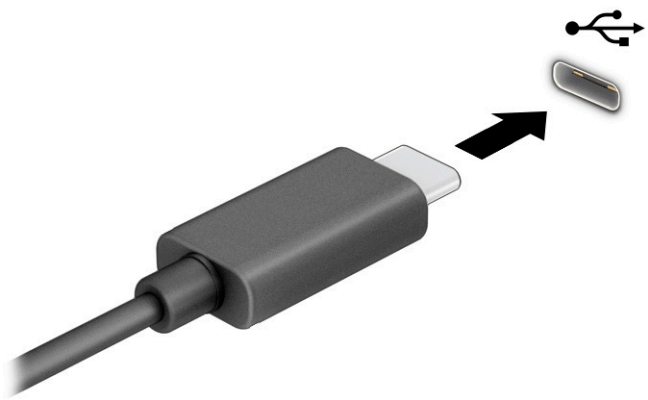
IMPORTANT: Be sure that the external device is connected to the correct port on the computer, using the correct cable. Follow the device manufacturer's instructions.

For information about using your USB Type-C features, go to http://www.hp.com/support, and follow the instructions to find your product.

Connecting devices to a USB Type-C port (select products only)

To connect a USB Type-C device to your computer, you need a USB Type-C cable, purchased separately.

1. Connect one end of the USB Type-C cable to the USB Type-C port on the computer.



2. Connect the other end of the cable to the external device.