

# My Top 15 Commands

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Some folks have started the "Top X Commands" topic around the blogosphere again, and it always fun and interesting. So, here are mine, both user and root. What are yours?

## User:

110 ls  
65 cd  
55 tar  
28 rpm2tar  
21 ping  
18 rm  
14 weather  
14 wc  
14 mplayer  
14 df  
13 wget  
12 su  
12 cat  
11 ssh  
11 mv

## Root:

91 ls  
82 emerge  
33 mount  
22 growisofs  
22 cat  
21 cd  
20 exit  
15 locate  
14 killall  
13 revdep-rebuild  
11 nano

10 umount

10 ln

10 history

9 rm

The guys who started it this time are [sontek](#) [2] and his inspiration: [someone named Sam](#) [3]. It's interesting to see what others' Top 10 or 15 commands are. It can tell you a lot about that person. Unlike the way they keep their house or what kind of vehicle they drive you won't get a picture of their personality, but you can see how a computer fits into their life. Is it a hobby? Are they software or web developers? Do they make their living with it? What kind of distribution is it? What is their favorite editor? etc... Although not as revealing as in the past, with all the gui stuff being used these days, but it's still fun.

What are yours? Here's the code: `history | awk '{print $2}' | awk 'BEGIN {FS="|"} {print $1}' | sort | uniq -c | sort -n | tail -n 15 | sort -nr`

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[1] <http://www.tuxmachines.org/taxonomy/term/123>

[2] <http://blog.sontek.net/2008/03/20/my-top-15-commands/>

[3] <http://smerrell.blogspot.com/2008/02/my-top-15-commands.html>