

**NAME**

`EVP_CIPHER_CTX_get_original_iv`, `EVP_CIPHER_CTX_get_updated_iv`, `EVP_CIPHER_CTX_iv`,  
`EVP_CIPHER_CTX_original_iv`, `EVP_CIPHER_CTX_iv_noconst` - Routines to inspect  
`EVP_CIPHER_CTX` IV data

**SYNOPSIS**

```
#include <openssl/evp.h>
```

```
int EVP_CIPHER_CTX_get_original_iv(EVP_CIPHER_CTX *ctx, void *buf, size_t len);
int EVP_CIPHER_CTX_get_updated_iv(EVP_CIPHER_CTX *ctx, void *buf, size_t len);
```

The following functions have been deprecated since OpenSSL 3.0, and can be hidden entirely by defining `OPENSSL_API_COMPAT` with a suitable version value, see `openssl_user_macros(7)`:

```
const unsigned char *EVP_CIPHER_CTX_iv(const EVP_CIPHER_CTX *ctx);
const unsigned char *EVP_CIPHER_CTX_original_iv(const EVP_CIPHER_CTX *ctx);
unsigned char *EVP_CIPHER_CTX_iv_noconst(EVP_CIPHER_CTX *ctx);
```

**DESCRIPTION**

`EVP_CIPHER_CTX_get_original_iv()` and `EVP_CIPHER_CTX_get_updated_iv()` copy initialization vector (IV) information from the `EVP_CIPHER_CTX` into the caller-supplied buffer.

`EVP_CIPHER_CTX_get_iv_length(3)` can be used to determine an appropriate buffer size, and if the supplied buffer is too small, an error will be returned (and no data copied).

`EVP_CIPHER_CTX_get_original_iv()` accesses the ("original") IV that was supplied when the `EVP_CIPHER_CTX` was initialized, and `EVP_CIPHER_CTX_get_updated_iv()` accesses the current "IV state" of the cipher, which is updated during cipher operation for certain cipher modes (e.g., CBC and OFB).

The functions `EVP_CIPHER_CTX_iv()`, `EVP_CIPHER_CTX_original_iv()`, and `EVP_CIPHER_CTX_iv_noconst()` are deprecated functions that provide similar (at a conceptual level) functionality. `EVP_CIPHER_CTX_iv()` returns a pointer to the beginning of the "IV state" as maintained internally in the `EVP_CIPHER_CTX`; `EVP_CIPHER_CTX_original_iv()` returns a pointer to the beginning of the ("original") IV, as maintained by the `EVP_CIPHER_CTX`, that was provided when the `EVP_CIPHER_CTX` was initialized; and `EVP_CIPHER_CTX_get_iv_noconst()` is the same as `EVP_CIPHER_CTX_iv()` but has a different return type for the pointer.

**RETURN VALUES**

`EVP_CIPHER_CTX_get_original_iv()` and `EVP_CIPHER_CTX_get_updated_iv()` return 1 on success and 0 on failure.

The functions **EVP\_CIPHER\_CTX\_iv()**, **EVP\_CIPHER\_CTX\_original\_iv()**, and **EVP\_CIPHER\_CTX\_iv\_noconst()** return a pointer to an IV as an array of bytes on success, and NULL on failure.

## HISTORY

**EVP\_CIPHER\_CTX\_get\_original\_iv()** and **EVP\_CIPHER\_CTX\_get\_updated\_iv()** were added in OpenSSL 3.0.0.

**EVP\_CIPHER\_CTX\_iv()**, **EVP\_CIPHER\_CTX\_original\_iv()**, and **EVP\_CIPHER\_CTX\_iv\_noconst()** were added in OpenSSL 1.1.0, and were deprecated in OpenSSL 3.0.0.

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