

NAME

TIFFSetDirectory - set the current directory for an open TIFF file

SYNOPSIS

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#include <tiffio.h>
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int TIFFSetDirectory(TIFF *tif, tdir_t dirnum)
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int TIFFSetSubDirectory(TIFF *tif, uint64_t diroff)
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DESCRIPTION

TIFFSetDirectory() changes the current directory and reads its contents with *TIFFReadDirectory()*. The parameter *dirnum* specifies the subfile/directory as an integer number, with the first directory numbered zero. *TIFFSetDirectory()* only works with main-IFD chains because allways starts with the first main-IFD and thus is able to reset the SubIFD reading chain to the main-IFD chain.

TIFFSetSubDirectory() acts like *TIFFSetDirectory()*, except the directory is specified as a file offset instead of an index; this is required for accessing subdirectories linked through a **SubIFD** tag. (see *MultiPage SubIFD*)

Directory query functions *TIFFCurrentDirectory()*, *TIFFCurrentDirOffset()*, *TIFFLastDirectory()* and *TIFFNumberOfDirectories()* retrieve information about directories in an open TIFF file. Be aware that until a directory is not written to file AND read back, the query functions won't retrieve the correct information!

RETURN VALUES

On successful return 1 is returned. Otherwise, 0 is returned if *dirnum* or *diroff* specifies a non-existent directory, or if an error was encountered while reading the directory's contents.

DIAGNOSTICS

All error messages are directed to the *TIFFErrorExtR()* routine.

"%s: Error fetching directory count":

An error was encountered while reading the "directory count" field.

"%s: Error fetching directory link":

An error was encountered while reading the "link value" that points to the next directory in a file.

SEE ALSO

TIFFquery (3tiff), *TIFFOpen* (3tiff), *TIFFCreateDirectory* (3tiff), *TIFFCustomDirectory* (3tiff),
TIFFWriteDirectory (3tiff), *TIFFReadDirectory* (3tiff), *Multi Page / Multi Image TIFF*, *libtiff* (3tiff)

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