NAME
   gdbm_dump - dump a GDBM database to a file

SYNOPSIS
   gdbm_dump [**-H** *FMT*] [**--format**=*FMT*] *DB_FILE* [*FILE*]

   gdbm_dump [**-Vh**] [**--help**] [**--usage**] [**--version**]

DESCRIPTION
   The **gdbm_dump** utility creates a dump of the specified **gdbm**(3) database file. The name for the
   output dump file is supplied by the second argument (*FILE*). If not specified, the output goes to the
   standard error.

   The created dump can be given as argument to the **gdbm_load**(1) utility in order to re-create an exact
   copy of the *DB_FILE*.

OPTIONS
   -H, **--format**=*FMT*
      Select dump format. The value **binary** (or **0**) instructs **gdbm_dump** to produce a binary dump,
      compatible with earlier **gdbm** versions (up to version 1.9). The value **ascii** (or **1**) instructs it to
      create an ASCII dump (this is the default). The latter is preferred because, apart from the actual
      data, it also contains meta-information which will allow **gdbm_load**(1) to recreate an exact copy of
      the file.

   -h, **--help**
      Print a short usage summary.

   --usage
      Print a list of available options.

   -V, **--version**
      Print program version

SEE ALSO
   gdbm_load(1), **gdbmtool**(1), **gdbm**(3).

   For a detailed description of **gdbm_dump** and other **gdbm** utilities, refer to the **GDBM Manual**
   available in Texinfo format. To access it, run:

   info gdbm

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