

delta release

A [release type](#) in which the [release files](#) only contain rows that represent [component versions](#) and [reference set member versions](#) created since an identified previous release date.

Notes

1. Each *row* in a *delta release* file represents either a new [component](#) or [reference set member](#) or a change to an existing *component* or *reference set member* since the identified previous release date.
2. A *delta release* identifies difference between two versions of the same [release package](#). A *delta release* added to the [full release](#) for the "identified previous release date" is identical to the [full release](#) for the new version.
3. The "identified previous release date", on which a *delta release* is based, is usually the most recent previous release release. However, that may not always be the case. For example, where interim releases are made between two major releases there may be a combined *delta release* covering a period since a previous major releases.

Related Links

- [Full release](#)
- [Snapshot release](#)