

# Secure Sockets Layer (SSL)

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**Secure Sockets Layer (SSL)** is a standard [Protocol](#) used for the secure transmission of documents over a network. Developed by Netscape, SSL technology creates a secure link between a Web [Server](#) and browser (i.e., [Client](#) to ensure private and integral data transmission. SSL uses [Transmission Control Protocol \(TCP\)](#) for communication.

- **Note:** SSL is deprecated in favor of [Transport layer security \(TLS\)](#)

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