

Most Common VMware ESXi SSSH/Cli Commands

<code>vim-cmd vmsvc/getallvms</code>	List all VMs running on the host. Also provides <i>vmid</i> , required for commands below.
<code>vim-cmd vmsvc/power.off <i>vmid</i></code>	Power off specified VM .
<code>vim-cmd vmsvc/power.on <i>vmid</i></code>	Power on specified VM .
<code>vim-cmd vmsvc/power.reboot <i>vmid</i></code>	Reboot specified VM .
<code>vim-cmd solo/registervm /vmfs/volume/datastore/subdir/vm-file.vmx</code>	Register the VM stored at <i>location</i> on the ESX host inventory.
<code>vim-cmd vmsvc/unregister <i>vmid</i></code>	Unregister VM from the host. Does not remove the VM's files from the datastore.
<code>vim-cmd vmsvc/destroy <i>vmid</i></code>	Delete the specified VM . The VMDK and VMX files will be deleted from storage as well.
<code>vim-cmd vmsvc/tools.install <i>vmid</i></code>	Initiates an installation of VMWare Tools on the VM .
<code>vim-cmd hostsvc/maintenance_mode_enter</code>	Put the host into maintenance mode.
<code>vim-cmd hostsvc/maintenance_mode_exit</code>	Take the host out of maintenance mode.
<code>vim-cmd hostsvc/net/info</code>	Show networking information of the host.
<code>chkconfig -l</code>	Show services running on the host. Can also be used to change startup configuration.
<code>esxtop</code>	Display list of processes and its usage of resources. Works similar to linux top.
<code>esxcfg-info</code>	Show host's configuration and information.
<code>esxcfg-nics -l</code>	Show current NIC configuration.

<code>esxcfg-vswitch -l</code>	Show current vSwitch configuration.
<code>vmkerrcode -l</code>	Display a reference list of VMKernel return codes and descriptions.
<code>dcui</code>	Start the console UI (when accessing through SSH).
<code>vsish</code>	Run the VMWare Interactive Shell (from SSH).
<code>decodeSel /var/log/ipmi_sel.raw</code>	Read IPMI system log of physical server.