

Release Plan 2.5.0 (Feb 2020)

Release Dates

- KIP Freeze: Jan 22, 2020 (a KIP must be accepted by this date in order to be considered for this release)
- Feature Freeze: Jan 29, 2020 (major features merged & working on stabilization, minor features have PR, release branch cut; anything not in this state will be automatically moved to the next release in JIRA)
- Code Freeze: Feb 12, 2020
- Release: Feb 26, 2020 TBD

These dates are goals and subject to change, but we expect to stay on the [Time Based Release Plan](#) unless unexpected critical issues come up. While the target release date is fixed at ~2w after code freeze, RCs will roll out as needed until the release vote passes.

The release manager is [David Arthur](#).

Planned KIPs

KIP	JIRA	Component
KIP-150 - Kafka-Streams Cogroup	[+ KAFKA-6049 - Kafka Streams: Add Cogroup in the DSL RESOLVED]	Streams
KIP-352: Distinguish URPs caused by reassignment	[RESOLVED] KAFKA-8834 - Distinguish URPs caused by reassignment plus other metrics [OPEN] KAFKA-9059 - Implement ReassignmentMaxLag [RESOLVED] KAFKA-8835 - Update documentation for URP changes in KIP-352	Core
KIP-360: Improve reliability of idempotent /transactional producer	[RESOLVED] KAFKA-8710 - InitProducerId changes for KIP-360	Core/Clients
KIP-396: Add Reset/List Offsets Operations to AdminClient	[RESOLVED] KAFKA-7689 - Add Commit/List Offsets Operations to AdminClient	Clients
KIP-447: Producer scalability for exactly once semantics (partial)	[RESOLVED] KAFKA-8587 - One producer per thread for Kafka Streams EOS	Streams
KIP-455: Create an Administrative API for Replica Reassignment	[RESOLVED] KAFKA-8345 - Create an Administrative API for Replica Reassignment	Core
KIP-511: Collect and Expose Client's Name and Version in the Brokers (new metrics)	[RESOLVED] KAFKA-8855 - Collect and Expose Client's Name and Version in the Brokers	Core/Clients
KIP-515: Enable ZK client to use the new TLS supported authentication	[+ KAFKA-8843 - Zookeeper migration tool support for TLS RESOLVED]	Core
KIP-523: Add KStream#toTable to the Streams DSL	[RESOLVED] KAFKA-7658 - Add KStream#toTable to the Streams DSL	Streams
KIP-524: Allow users to choose config source when describing configs	[RESOLVED] KAFKA-9040 - Implement --all option for describing configs	Core
KIP-526: Reduce Producer Metadata Lookups for Large Number of Topics	[RESOLVED] KAFKA-8904 - Reduce metadata lookups when producing to a large number of topics	Clients
KIP-527: Add VoidSerde to Serdes	[RESOLVED] KAFKA-8455 - Add VoidSerde to Serdes	Streams
KIP-530: Consider renaming 'UsePreviousTimeOnInvalidTimeStamp' class to 'UsePartitionTimeOnInvalidTimeStamp'	[RESOLVED] KAFKA-8953 - Consider renaming 'UsePreviousTimeOnInvalidTimeStamp' timestamp extractor	Streams
KIP-531: Drop support for Scala 2.11 in Kafka 2.5	[RESOLVED] KAFKA-9324 - Drop support for Scala 2.11 (KIP-531)	Core

KIP-535: Allow state stores to serve stale reads during rebalance	+ KAFKA-6144 - Allow serving interactive queries from in-sync Standbys RESOLVED	Streams
KIP-537: Increase default zookeeper session timeout	↑ KAFKA-9102 - Increase default zk session timeout and max lag RESOLVED	Core
KIP-538: Add a metric tracking the number of open connections with a given SSL cipher type	↑ KAFKA-9091 - KIP-538: Add a metric tracking the number of open connections with a given SSL cipher type RESOLVED	Core
KIP-541: Create a fetch.max.bytes configuration for the broker	↑ KAFKA-9101 - Create a fetch.max.bytes configuration for the broker RESOLVED	Core
KIP-543: Expand ConfigCommand's non-ZK functionality	✚ KAFKA-9082 - Move ConfigCommand to use KafkaAdminClient APIs RESOLVED	Core
KIP-553: Disable all SSL protocols except TLSV1.2 by default.	↑ KAFKA-9460 - Enable TLSv1.2 by default and disable all others protocol versions RESOLVED	Core
KIP-555: Deprecate Direct Zookeeper access in Kafka Administrative Tools (partial in 2.5)	↑ KAFKA-9397 - Deprecate Direct Zookeeper access in Kafka Administrative Tools RESOLVED	Core
KIP-558: Track the set of actively used topics by connectors in Kafka Connect	↑ KAFKA-9422 - Track the set of topics a connector is using RESOLVED	Connect
KIP-559: Make the Kafka Protocol Friendlier with L7 Proxies	↑ KAFKA-9437 - KIP-559: Make the Kafka Protocol Friendlier with L7 Proxies RESOLVED	Core
KIP-562: Allow fetching a key from a single partition rather than iterating over all the stores on an instance	+ KAFKA-9445 - Allow fetching a key from a single partition rather than iterating over all the stores on an instance RESOLVED	Streams

Postponed KIPs

KIP	JIRA	Component
KIP-158: Kafka Connect should allow source connectors to set topic-specific settings for new topics	↑ KAFKA-5295 - Allow Kafka Connect source connectors to specify topic-specific settings for new topics RESOLVED	Connect
KIP-216: IQ should throw different exceptions for different errors	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> KAFKA-5876 - IQ should throw different exceptions for different errors IN PROGRESS	Streams
KIP-280: Enhanced log compaction	↑ KAFKA-7061 - Enhanced log compaction IN PROGRESS	Core
KIP-399: Extend ProductionExceptionHandler to cover serialization exceptions	↑ KAFKA-7499 - Extend ProductionExceptionHandler to cover serialization exceptions RESOLVED	Streams
KIP-401: TransformerSupplier/ProcessorSupplier StateStore connecting	↑ KAFKA-7523 - TransformerSupplier/ProcessorSupplier enhancements RESOLVED	Streams
KIP-444: Augment metrics for Kafka Streams (some parts in 2.4, some TBD)	↑ KAFKA-6819 - Refactor build-in StreamsMetrics internal implementations RESOLVED	Streams
KIP-467: Augment ProduceResponse error messaging for specific culprit records	↑ KAFKA-8729 - Augment ProduceResponse error messaging for specific culprit records IN PROGRESS	Core/Clients
KIP-514: Add a bounded flush() API to Kafka Producer	↑ KAFKA-7711 - Add a bounded flush() API to Kafka Producer OPEN	Clients
KIP-544: Make metrics exposed via JMX configurable	↑ KAFKA-9106 - metrics exposed via JMX should be configurable RESOLVED	Core

KIP-551: Expose disk read and write metrics	KAFKA-9292 - KIP-551: Expose disk read and write metrics RESOLVED	Core

How to Contribute

Before code freeze:

- Participate in votes and discussions to land or postpone the open KIPs.
- Review patches. We anticipate that this release will be bottlenecked mostly on reviews. The more reviewers, the more content we can fit in.
- Write unit/integration/system tests. We want to preserve the tradition of high-quality releases in Apache Kafka.

After code freeze:

- Write more unit/integration/system tests. We want to preserve the tradition of high-quality releases in Apache Kafka.
- Improve documentation
- Test the release candidates
- Open blocker JIRAs on critical issues found. Open non-blocker JIRAs on any other issues found.
- Fix critical bugs
- Review bug fixes
- Vote on RCs. Even though only PMC votes are binding, community votes are super important as we evaluate the readiness of the release

Key	P	Summary	T	Assignee	Status	Created	Updated	Reporter	Resolution
KAFKA-13581	↳	Error getting old protocol	🔴	Unassigned	OPEN	Jan 09, 2022	Jan 18, 2022	chenzhongyu	Unresolved

1 issue