

## Ruby - Feature #9969

### Add File.empty? as alias to File.zero?

06/21/2014 01:08 PM - shevegen (Robert A. Heiler)

<b>Status:</b>	Closed	
<b>Priority:</b>	Normal	
<b>Assignee:</b>		
<b>Target version:</b>		
<b>Description</b>		
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#### Associated revisions

##### Revision 096137e84fcb3a01089785bb2b8b621f3f7e996f - 04/13/2016 05:47 AM - nobu (Nobuyoshi Nakada)

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##### Revision 163604ec52ef0d0543f76ecce9b9ec0e02e8d929 - 04/13/2016 06:14 AM - nobu (Nobuyoshi Nakada)

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#### History

##### #1 - 06/30/2014 10:07 PM - zzak (zzak \_)

- Tracker changed from Bug to Feature
- Priority changed from 3 to Normal
- Target version set to 2.2.0

##### #2 - 02/17/2016 11:21 PM - lucasbuchala (Lucas Buchala)

I added a comment on issue [#10121](#) before knowing this specific issue already existed.

I just wanted to say that, with the arrival of Dir.empty?, I like the idea of the File.empty? alias for the reason of having some symmetry between Dir and File methods.

##### #3 - 04/13/2016 05:24 AM - matz (Yukihiro Matsumoto)

OK, agreed.

Matz.

**#4 - 04/13/2016 05:47 AM - nobu (Nobuyoshi Nakada)**

- Status changed from Open to Closed

Applied in changeset r54559.

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**#5 - 07/18/2016 03:56 AM - backus (John Backus)**

For the sake of consistency could you also add Pathname#empty?. Alternatively maybe add both Pathname#empty\_file? and Pathname#empty\_directory?. It is probably important to keep Pathname consistent with File and/or Dir since the tool is much less useful if you sometimes have to fallback to File or Dir for certain use cases

**#6 - 07/18/2016 07:04 AM - duerst (Martin Dürst)**

John, this feature is already closed. If you want your proposal to be looked at, please open a new one, referencing this one.

Thanks, Martin.

On 2016/07/18 12:56, [johnbackus@gmail.com](mailto:johnbackus@gmail.com) wrote:

Issue [#9969](#) has been updated by John Backus.

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<https://bugs.ruby-lang.org/issues/9969#change-59632>

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