So we've had a couple of fairly small rc releases, and here we finally start to see an uptick in commits in rc4. Not what I really want to see in the middle of the release cycle, but not entirely surprising considering how quiet it's been so far.
And while 5.19-rc4 is a bit larger than previous rc's, and is a bit larger than we usually see at this point, it's by no means anywhere near record size. So more of a "a bit bigger than usual" than a "Oh my God, this thing is huge".
The changes are also spread out fairly widely, and nothing really stands out. I think the individually biggest patches are the reverts...
to the printk threading changes that people wanted to really think about some more, since the changes had caused some issues. The rest of the diffstat is _fairly_ flat, with perhaps the vc4 drm patches standing out a bit.

So at least right now this all feels like "making up for a small rc3" rather than anything really worrisome, and probably just a result of timing some of the patches shifted into rc4. But let's see how this develops over the next couple of weeks.

The full shortlog with all the details is below, and I don't think there's any larger pattern here. We've got all the usual architecture fixes, driver fixes all over the place, and filesystems, core networking, and tooling (perf and selftests). A lot of the changes here are one- and few-liners. Please do go test. Thanks, Linus

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