

R Markdown Cheat Sheet

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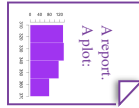
1. Workflow R Markdown is a format for writing reproducible, dynamic reports with R. Use it to embed R code and results into slideshows, pdfs, html documents, Word files and more. To make a report:

i. **Open** - Open a file that uses the .Rmd extension.

ii. **Write** - Write content with the easy to use R Markdown syntax

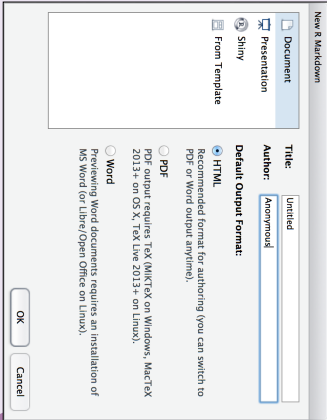
iii. **Embed** - Embed R code that creates output to include in the report

iv. **Render** - Replace R code with its output and transform the report into a slideshow, pdf, html or ms Word file.



2. Open File Start by saving a text file with the extension .Rmd, or open an RStudio Rmd template

- In the menu bar, click **File > New File > R Markdown...**
- A window will open. Select the class of output you would like to make with your .Rmd file
- Select the specific type of output to make with the radio buttons (you can change this later)
- Click OK



3. Markdown Next, write your report in plain text. Use markdown syntax to describe how to format text in the final report.

syntax

Plain text
End a line with two spaces to start a new paragraph.

italics and italics

bold and **bold**

superscript²

~strike through~

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Header 1

Header 2

Header 3

Header 4

Header 5

Header 6

endash: -

emdash: —

ellipsis: ...

inline equation: $A = \pi * r^2$

image: 

horizontal rule (or slide break):

block quote

- unordered list
- item 2
- sub-item 1
- sub-item 2

- ordered list
- item 2
- sub-item 1
- sub-item 2

Table Header

Table Cell

Cell 3

Second Header

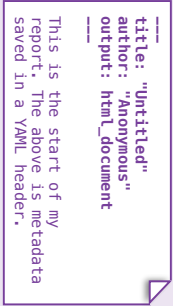
Cell 2

Cell 4

4. Choose Output Write a YAML header that explains what type of document to build from your R Markdown file.

YAML

A YAML header is a set of key: value pairs at the start of your file. Begin and end the header with a line of three dashes (---)



The RStudio template writes the YAML header for you

The output value determines which type of file R will build from your .Rmd file (in Step 6)

output: **html_document** html file (web page)

output: **pdf_document** pdf document

output: **word_document** Microsoft Word .docx

output: **beamer_presentation** beamer slideshow (pdf)

output: **ioslides_presentation** ioslides slideshow (html)



5. Embed Code Use Knitr syntax to embed R code into your report. R will run the code and include the results when you render your report.

inline code

Surround code with back ticks and `r`.
R replaces inline code with its results.

```
Two plus two  
equals `r 2 + 2`.
```

Two plus two
equals 4.

code chunks

Start a chunk with ````{r}`.
End a chunk with `````.

```
Here's some code  
```{r}  
dim(iris)
```

Here's some code

```
[1] 150 5
```

### display options

Use knitr options to style the output of a chunk.  
Place options in brackets above the chunk.

```
Here's some code
```{r eval=FALSE}  
dim(iris)
```

Here's some code

```
dim(iris)
```

```
Here's some code  
```{r echo=FALSE}  
dim(iris)
```

Here's some code

```
[1] 150 5
```

option	default	effect
eval	TRUE	Whether to evaluate the code and include its results
echo	TRUE	Whether to display code along with its results
warning	TRUE	Whether to display warnings
error	FALSE	Whether to display errors
message	TRUE	Whether to display messages
tidy	FALSE	Whether to reformat code in a tidy way when displaying it
results	"markup"	"markup", "asis", "hold", or "hide"
cache	FALSE	Whether to cache results for future renders
comment	"##"	Comment character to preface results with
fig.width	7	Width in inches for plots created in chunk
fig.height	7	Height in inches for plots created in chunk

For more details visit [yihui.name/knitr/](https://yihui.name/knitr/)

## 8. Publish

Share your report where users can visit it online

### Rpubs.com

Share non-interactive documents on RStudio's free R Markdown publishing site  
[www.rpubs.com](https://www.rpubs.com)

### ShinyApps.io

Host an interactive document on RStudio's server. Free and paid options  
[www.shinyapps.io](https://www.shinyapps.io)

## 6. Render

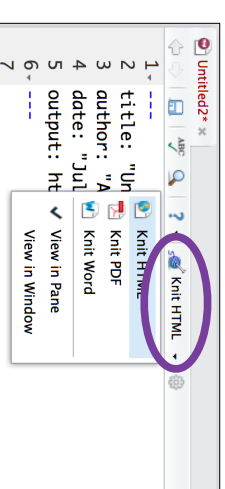
Use your .Rmd file as a blueprint to build a finished report.

Render your report in one of two ways

1. Run `rmarkdown::render("file path")`
2. Click the **knit HTML** button at the top of the RStudio scripts pane

When you render, R will

- execute each embedded code chunk and insert the results into your report
- build a new version of your report in the output file type
- open a preview of the output file in the viewer pane
- save the output file in your working directory



## 7. Interactive Docs

Turn your report into an interactive Shiny document in 3 steps

1. Add runtime: shiny to the YAML header

```
title: "Line graph"
output: html_document
runtime: shiny
```

2. In the code chunks, add Shiny input functions to embed widgets. Add Shiny render functions to embed reactive output

```
title: "Line graph"
output: html_document
runtime: shiny

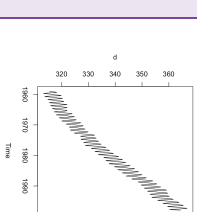
Choose a time series:
```{r echo = FALSE}  
selectInput("data", "",  
  c("co2", "Lh"))  
```  

See a plot:
```{r echo = FALSE}  
renderPlot({  
  d <- get(input$data)  
  plot(d)  
})
```

3. Render with `rmarkdown::run` or click **Run Document** in RStudio

Line graph

Choose a time series:
co2



* Note: your report will be a Shiny app, which means you must choose an `html` output format, like `html_document` (for an interactive report) or `ioslides_presentation` (for an interactive slideshow).

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