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     Using the INPUT and PUT Functions to Convert
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     Column Types
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     Syntax and Example
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   *
       DATA output-table;
8
           SET input-table(RENAME=(current-col=new-col));
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10
           column1 = INPUT (source, informat);
11
           column2 = PUT (source, format);
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13
       RUN;
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16
   data work.stocks2;
17
      set pg2.stocks2;
18
      Date2=input(Date,date9.);
19
      Volume=input(Volume,comma12.);
20
   run;
21
22
  data work.stocks2;
23
      set pg2.stocks2(rename=(Volume=CharVolume));
24
      Date2=input(Date, date9.);
25
      Volume=input(CharVolume,comma12.);
26
      drop CharVolume;
27
  run;
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29
  data work.stocks2;
30
      set pg2.stocks2(rename=(Volume=CharVolume Date=CharDate));
31
32
      Volume=input(CharVolume,comma12.);
      Date=input(CharDate, date9.);
33
34
      Day=put(Date,downame3.);
35
      drop Char:;
36
  run;
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  38
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     Demo
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     1) Open the PG2.WEATHER ATLANTA table and notice the
41
        following:
42
        * ZipCode is a numeric column.
43
        * Date and Precip are character columns. A Precip
44
        value of T means that a trace value was recorded,
45
        which means a very small amount of precipitation
46
        that results in no measurable accumulation.
47
     2) Run the first DATA step.
48
     3) View the SAS log. SAS attempts to convert the
49
        character Precip value to a numeric value using the
50
        w. informat. SAS is successful when the character
51
        value is a legitimate numeric value such as .27.
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SAS is unsuccessful when the value is equal to a
 53
          non-numeric value such as T. A value of T is
 54
 55
          converted to a missing numeric value.
 56
       4) View the output table. Notice that TotalPrecip was
 57
          accurately created for each row. The sum statement
 58
          ignores the missing values for the Precip values of
 59
          Τ.
 60
       5) Add to the DATA step to create a new column named
 61
          PrecipNum. Use PrecipNum in the assignment
 62
          statement instead of Precip. Drop the Precip
 63
          column.
 64
       6) Run the DATA step. Notice that the SAS log no
 65
          longer contains a note about character values being
 66
          converted to numeric values and no longer contains
 67
          notes about invalid numeric data for Precip='T'.
 68
       7) Add to the DATA step to create a numeric column
 69
          Date from the character column Date. Also, format
 70
          the numeric Date and drop the character Date.
 71
       8) Run the DATA step. Confirm that you have a numeric
 72
          precipitation column and a numeric date column.
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    /* INPUT Function */
 76
    data atl precip;
 77
        set pg2.weather_atlanta(rename=(date=CharDate));
 78
        where AirportCode='ATL';
 79
        drop AirportCode City Temp: ZipCode Precip CharDate;
 80
        TotalPrecip+Precip; */
 81
        if Precip ne 'T' then Precipum=input(Precip,6.);
 82
 83
        else PrecipNum=0;
        TotalPrecip+PrecipNum;
 84
 85
        Date=input(CharDate,mmddyy10.);
 86
        format Date date9.;
 87
    run;
 88
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 90
       9) Run the second DATA step and notice that
 91
          CityStateZip was accurately created for each row.
 92
          The CAT functions automatically convert numeric
 93
          values to character values and remove leading
 94
          blanks in the converted value. SAS does not write a
 95
          note to the log when values are converted with the
 96
          CAT functions.
 97
      10) Add to the DATA step to create a character column
 98
          ZipCodeLast2 that contains the last two digits of
 99
          the numeric column ZipCode.
100
      11) View the SAS log. SAS converts the numeric ZipCode
101
          value to a character value.
102
      12) View the output table. Notice that ZipCodeLast2 is
103
          not displaying the last two digits of the ZIP code.
104
          When SAS automatically converts a numeric value to
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a character value, the BEST12. format is used, and
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107
         the resulting character value is right-aligned. The
108
         numeric value of 30320 becomes the character value
109 *
         of seven leading spaces followed by 30320.
110
     13) Modify the first argument of the SUBSTR function to
111
         explicitly convert the numeric ZipCode value to a
112
         character value.
113
   * 14) View the output table. Notice that ZipCodeLast2 now *;
114
         displays the last two digits of the ZIP code.
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117
    /* PUT Function */
118
    data atl precip;
119
       set pg2.weather atlanta;
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