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2  *   Activity 3.11                                         *;
3  *   1) Examine and run the program. In the output table,  *;
4  *      verify that Date2 is created as numeric. Notice     *;
5  *      that the table contains a character column named    *;
6  *      Volume.                                             *;
7  *   2) Add an assignment statement to create a column      *;
8  *      named Volume2. Use the INPUT function to read       *;
9  *      Volume using the COMMA12. informat. Run the program *;
10 *      and verify that Volume2 is created as a numeric     *;
11 *      column.                                             *;
12 *   3) In the assignment statement, change Volume2 to      *;
13 *      Volume so that you update the value of the existing *;
14 *      column.                                             *;
15 *   4) Run the program and notice that Volume is still     *;
16 *      character. Why is the assignment statement not      *;
17 *      changing the column type?                           *;
18 ***************************************************************;
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21 data work.stocks2;
22     set pg2.stocks2;
23     Date2=input(Date,date9.);
24     *Add an assignment statement;
25     Volume2=input(Volume,comma12.);
26 run;
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