

The Central Statistics Office (CSO) was established in 1949 as Ireland's national statistical office and continually produce statistics on a broad range of topics. As part of their work, the CSO monitor the number of births over the course of a year (and indeed over a longer period). The organisation has ranked the popularity of each day of the year based on the average number of daily births. Number 1 rank is the most popular day of the year to be born and rank 366 is the least popular day of the year to be born.

The data they have produced is based on average data over the period 1980 – 2014

I have stored the data in a file (which is available from Moodle) called “days.txt”. The content of this file is as follows:

|     | 1   | 2   | 3   | 4   | 5   | 6   | 7   | 8   | 9   | 10  | 11  | 12  | 13  | 14  | 15  | 16  | 17  | 18  | 19  | 20  | 21  | 22  | 23  | 24  | 25  | 26  | 27  | 28  | 29  | 30  | 31  |
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| Jan | 361 | 343 | 193 | 175 | 196 | 205 | 201 | 218 | 235 | 297 | 322 | 303 | 352 | 231 | 276 | 256 | 283 | 282 | 296 | 255 | 260 | 278 | 337 | 281 | 301 | 280 | 292 | 293 | 257 | 283 | 299 |
| Feb | 216 | 266 | 249 | 269 | 278 | 298 | 246 | 307 | 320 | 290 | 247 | 252 | 328 | 252 | 191 | 305 | 237 | 186 | 273 | 172 | 194 | 192 | 233 | 159 | 82  | 165 | 124 | 173 | 366 |     |     |
| Mar | 60  | 221 | 140 | 184 | 61  | 128 | 69  | 104 | 134 | 101 | 111 | 32  | 113 | 70  | 132 | 50  | 362 | 316 | 106 | 81  | 47  | 107 | 155 | 277 | 174 | 77  | 128 | 195 | 196 | 199 | 179 |
| Apr | 306 | 53  | 185 | 259 | 240 | 198 | 220 | 100 | 227 | 214 | 148 | 274 | 268 | 103 | 65  | 162 | 203 | 97  | 144 | 186 | 224 | 29  | 43  | 158 | 127 | 147 | 96  | 35  | 25  | 22  |     |
| May | 34  | 52  | 168 | 180 | 93  | 120 | 37  | 18  | 48  | 27  | 87  | 112 | 63  | 62  | 168 | 91  | 134 | 134 | 168 | 98  | 26  | 181 | 244 | 178 | 163 | 211 | 80  | 88  | 207 | 200 | 206 |
| Jun | 314 | 340 | 153 | 212 | 308 | 231 | 234 | 89  | 140 | 19  | 39  | 151 | 190 | 186 | 109 | 92  | 85  | 70  | 134 | 30  | 243 | 134 | 121 | 83  | 113 | 133 | 36  | 116 | 58  | 122 |     |
| Jul | 65  | 54  | 93  | 28  | 57  | 204 | 122 | 48  | 63  | 186 | 46  | 68  | 108 | 86  | 83  | 67  | 79  | 59  | 95  | 76  | 55  | 75  | 40  | 41  | 98  | 51  | 89  | 74  | 104 | 73  | 152 |
| Aug | 131 | 228 | 221 | 319 | 154 | 175 | 168 | 44  | 77  | 210 | 207 | 109 | 157 | 113 | 56  | 160 | 295 | 286 | 215 | 236 | 182 | 223 | 317 | 325 | 145 | 150 | 134 | 327 | 216 | 326 | 329 |
| Sep | 262 | 252 | 202 | 244 | 249 | 226 | 213 | 207 | 124 | 163 | 126 | 143 | 238 | 117 | 146 | 38  | 13  | 14  | 17  | 9   | 12  | 5   | 2   | 7   | 10  | 6   | 4   | 15  | 3   | 8   |     |
| Oct | 1   | 11  | 20  | 42  | 45  | 101 | 23  | 142 | 117 | 130 | 165 | 304 | 310 | 249 | 321 | 311 | 290 | 309 | 289 | 322 | 335 | 167 | 258 | 312 | 349 | 358 | 356 | 347 | 342 | 357 | 355 |
| Nov | 345 | 331 | 336 | 264 | 287 | 238 | 302 | 242 | 313 | 240 | 175 | 230 | 262 | 269 | 324 | 341 | 272 | 247 | 266 | 265 | 329 | 350 | 346 | 318 | 300 | 294 | 348 | 351 | 353 | 354 |     |
| Dec | 338 | 288 | 224 | 332 | 315 | 332 | 344 | 271 | 229 | 261 | 274 | 156 | 285 | 148 | 117 | 33  | 31  | 21  | 16  | 25  | 161 | 334 | 360 | 363 | 364 | 365 | 359 | 339 | 206 | 70  | 218 |

As can be seen from the file, October 1<sup>st</sup> is the most popular/common day of the year to be born on. December 25 is the 364<sup>th</sup> most common day to be born on. Unsurprisingly, February 29<sup>th</sup> is the least common day to be born on.

*As the file is based on average figures, two or more days may have the same ranking.*

### To Do:

Write an application which will initially parse the file and store the relevant information within it in an appropriate data structure. Once parsed, the user should be continually prompted to enter a date in the form dd/mm. If the user enters a valid date, the application will respond by displaying its popularity ranking. If the user enters an invalid date the application should inform them of this and prompt them again for a new date. The user should be continually prompted for dates until such time as they enter the word “quit”

### Notes:

- The application should parse the file **once** – at start up. In other words, it should not read from the file every time the user enters a date.
- Examples of invalid dates include 30/02, 31/06 and 0/12. I have provided code to validate dates for you.
- As previously mentioned the end-user will signify their intention to terminate the application by entering the word desire to quit the application – use a sentinel controlled loop for this.
- You will find some sample code here to help you with this assignment - <https://repl.it/EqCq/10>

- The following table lists the maximum number of days in each of the 12 months of the year.

| (max) days in each month |                |
|--------------------------|----------------|
| January = 31             | July = 31      |
| February = 29            | August = 31    |
| March = 31               | September = 30 |
| April = 30               | October = 31   |
| May = 31                 | November = 30  |
| June = 30                | December = 31  |

A Sample Run is as follows:

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Output - Assignment Our (Unit) #2
run:
*****
Please Enter Your Birthday in the Format dd/mm
Type "quit" to exit the application
*****
Enter date: 02/03
02/03 is the 221st most popular birthday
Enter date: 01/10
01/10 is the 1st most popular birthday
Enter date: 30/02
You entered an invalid date
Enter date: 29/02
29/02 is the 366th most popular birthday
Enter date: 31/06
You entered an invalid date
Enter date: 25/12
25/12 is the 364th most popular birthday
Enter date: quit
Goodbye!
BUILD SUCCESSFUL (total time: 47 seconds)
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*My application runs as a console application (with all input/output using System.in/System.out). If you wish, your application can use JOptionPane for both input and output.*