

The tidyverse is for EDA, not packages



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A couple of months back, we sent out the following email to the maintainers of packages on CRAN with [tidyverse](#) listed in either Depends, Imports, or Suggests:

Dear {maintainer},

As of {date}, your package, {package_name}, lists the tidyverse package in either Depends, Imports, or Suggests on CRAN.

Because the tidyverse is a set of packages designed for interactive data analysis, this is, in short, a bad idea. The tidyverse package includes a substantial number of direct and indirect dependencies (79 packages, as of

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maintainers frown upon depending on it, which can cause hassle for you down the line.

If you could please correct this by importing functions from, suggesting, or depending on the tidyverse component packages you require at your nearest convenience, it would be most appreciated.

Please let us know if you have any questions.

Thank you,

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