| | [**Overview**](http://docs.google.com/overview-summary.html) | [**Package**](http://docs.google.com/package-summary.html) | [**Class**](http://docs.google.com/java/util/prefs/AbstractPreferences.html) | **Use** | [**Tree**](http://docs.google.com/package-tree.html) | [**Deprecated**](http://docs.google.com/deprecated-list.html) | [**Index**](http://docs.google.com/index-files/index-1.html) | [**Help**](http://docs.google.com/help-doc.html) | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | ***Java™ Platform***  ***Standard Ed. 6*** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| PREV   NEXT | [**FRAMES**](http://docs.google.com/index.html?java/util/prefs//class-useAbstractPreferences.html)    [**NO FRAMES**](http://docs.google.com/AbstractPreferences.html)     [**All Classes**](http://docs.google.com/allclasses-noframe.html) |

**Uses of Class**

**java.util.prefs.AbstractPreferences**

| Packages that use [AbstractPreferences](http://docs.google.com/java/util/prefs/AbstractPreferences.html) | |
| --- | --- |
| [**java.util.prefs**](#3znysh7) | This package allows applications to store and retrieve user and system preference and configuration data. |

| Uses of [AbstractPreferences](http://docs.google.com/java/util/prefs/AbstractPreferences.html) in [java.util.prefs](http://docs.google.com/java/util/prefs/package-summary.html) | |
| --- | --- |

| Methods in [java.util.prefs](http://docs.google.com/java/util/prefs/package-summary.html) that return [AbstractPreferences](http://docs.google.com/java/util/prefs/AbstractPreferences.html) | |
| --- | --- |
| protected  [AbstractPreferences](http://docs.google.com/java/util/prefs/AbstractPreferences.html)[] | **AbstractPreferences.**[**cachedChildren**](http://docs.google.com/java/util/prefs/AbstractPreferences.html#cachedChildren())()            Returns all known unremoved children of this node. |
| protected abstract  [AbstractPreferences](http://docs.google.com/java/util/prefs/AbstractPreferences.html) | **AbstractPreferences.**[**childSpi**](http://docs.google.com/java/util/prefs/AbstractPreferences.html#childSpi(java.lang.String))([String](http://docs.google.com/java/lang/String.html) name)            Returns the named child of this preference node, creating it if it does not already exist. |
| protected  [AbstractPreferences](http://docs.google.com/java/util/prefs/AbstractPreferences.html) | **AbstractPreferences.**[**getChild**](http://docs.google.com/java/util/prefs/AbstractPreferences.html#getChild(java.lang.String))([String](http://docs.google.com/java/lang/String.html) nodeName)            Returns the named child if it exists, or null if it does not. |

| Constructors in [java.util.prefs](http://docs.google.com/java/util/prefs/package-summary.html) with parameters of type [AbstractPreferences](http://docs.google.com/java/util/prefs/AbstractPreferences.html) | |
| --- | --- |
| [**AbstractPreferences**](http://docs.google.com/java/util/prefs/AbstractPreferences.html#AbstractPreferences(java.util.prefs.AbstractPreferences,%20java.lang.String))([AbstractPreferences](http://docs.google.com/java/util/prefs/AbstractPreferences.html) parent, [String](http://docs.google.com/java/lang/String.html) name)            Creates a preference node with the specified parent and the specified name relative to its parent. |

| | [**Overview**](http://docs.google.com/overview-summary.html) | [**Package**](http://docs.google.com/package-summary.html) | [**Class**](http://docs.google.com/java/util/prefs/AbstractPreferences.html) | **Use** | [**Tree**](http://docs.google.com/package-tree.html) | [**Deprecated**](http://docs.google.com/deprecated-list.html) | [**Index**](http://docs.google.com/index-files/index-1.html) | [**Help**](http://docs.google.com/help-doc.html) | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | ***Java™ Platform***  ***Standard Ed. 6*** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| PREV   NEXT | [**FRAMES**](http://docs.google.com/index.html?java/util/prefs//class-useAbstractPreferences.html)    [**NO FRAMES**](http://docs.google.com/AbstractPreferences.html)     [**All Classes**](http://docs.google.com/allclasses-noframe.html) |

[Submit a bug or feature](http://bugs.sun.com/services/bugreport/index.jsp)

For further API reference and developer documentation, see [Java SE Developer Documentation](http://docs.google.com/webnotes/devdocs-vs-specs.html). That documentation contains more detailed, developer-targeted descriptions, with conceptual overviews, definitions of terms, workarounds, and working code examples.

Copyright 2006 Sun Microsystems, Inc. All rights reserved. Use is subject to [license terms](http://docs.google.com/legal/license.html). Also see the [documentation redistribution policy](http://java.sun.com/docs/redist.html).