

# Polars cheat sheet

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## General

### Install



```
pip install polars
```

### Import

```
import polars as pl
```

## Creating/reading DataFrames

```
# Create DataFrame
df = pl.DataFrame(
    {
        "nrs": [1, 2, 3, None, 5],
        "names": ["foo", "ham", "spam", "egg", None],
        "random": [0.3, 0.7, 0.1, 0.9, 0.6],
        "groups": ["A", "A", "B", "C", "B"],
    }
)

# Read CSV
df = pl.read_csv("https://j.mp/iriscsv",
                 has_header=True)

# Read parquet
df = pl.read_parquet("path.parquet")
```

## Subset Observations - rows

```
# Filter: Extract rows that meet logical criteria
df.filter(pl.col("random") > 0.5)
df.filter(
    (pl.col("groups") == "B")
    & (pl.col("random") > 0.5)
)

# Sample
# Randomly select fraction of rows.
df.sample(frac=0.5)

# Randomly select n rows.
df.sample(n=2)

# Select first n rows
df.head(n=2)

# Select last n rows.
df.tail(n=2)
```

## Subset Variables - columns

```
# Select multiple columns with specific names.
df.select(["nrs", "names"])

# Select columns whose name matches regex.
df.select(pl.col("^n.*$"))
```

## Subsets - rows and columns

```
# Select rows 2-4.
df[2:4, :]

# Select columns in positions 1 and 3
# (first column is 0).
df[:, [1, 3]]

# Select rows meeting logical condition,
# and only the specific columns.
df[df["random"] > 0.5, ["names", "groups"]]
```

## Reshaping Data – Change layout, sorting, renaming

```
# Append rows of DataFrames.
pl.concat([df, df2])

# Append columns of DataFrames
pl.concat([df, df3], how="horizontal")

# Gather columns into rows.
df.melt(
    id_vars=["nrs", "names"],
    value_vars=["random", "groups"]
)

# Spread rows into columns.
df.pivot(values="nrs", index="groups",
         columns="names")

# Order rows by values of a column (low to high)
df.sort("random")

# Order rows by values of a column (high to low)
df.sort("random", reverse=True)

# Rename the columns of a DataFrame.
df.rename({"nrs": "idx"})

# Drop columns from DataFrame.
df.drop(["names", "random"])
```