Challenge Practice: Importing Data with a Specific Delimiter

Create a table from **np_traffic.dat**. The values in the text file are delimited with a pipe (that is, a vertical bar).

1. Open the **SAS Procedures Guide** and go to the documentation for the IMPORT Procedure. Review the syntax and examples to determine how to read a file that is delimited with a specific symbol.

2. Use PROC IMPORT to import the **np_traffic.dat** file and create the temporary **traffic2** SAS table. Submit the program and view the output data. How many columns are in the table?

   Replace FILEPATH with the path to your **EPG1V2/data** folder. If you are using Enterprise Guide, replace FILEPATH with **&path**.
   ```
   proc import datafile="FILEPATH/np_traffic.dat"
               dbms=dlm
               out=traffic2
               replace;
        guessingrows=3000;
        delimiter="|";
   run;
   ```
   The **traffic2** table contains 7 columns and 2784 rows.

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