## Let's start with a quiz

## The right choice is...

# Assign datasets to SASUSER library and practice the quiz

- Find the datasets on Blackboard under Data Files.
- Download and assign these to the SASUSER library that belongs to SAS.
- How many ways can you use to accomplish this task?
- Practice the quiz to confirm your answer.

#### **Create tables in SAS**

- Create a table from an existing table(s) and/or view(s). This is pretty common in PROC SQL. However, there is no guarantee that the table created has integrity constraints.
- Create a table that has integrity constraints
  - With PROC DATASETS: Constraints can be only assigned to an existing table.
  - ➤ With PROC SQL: Constraints can be assigned either as a new table is created or as an existing table is modified. This approach is the same as we have introduced earlier in general SQL, e.g., Oracle SQL\*PLUS.

## Create a table from an existing table(s)

 Create a table from a query result (which we covered earlier).

CREATE TABLE Table\_Name AS SELECT...FROM...

 Create a new empty table with the same columns and attributes as an existing table by using

**CREATE TABLE...LIKE...** 

(Oracle does not support this)

 Create a new empty table that only contains a subset of columns of an existing table by using CREATE TABLE...(DROP|KEEP=...) LIKE...

#### CREATE TABLE...LIKE...

```
proc sql;

CREATE TABLE work.flightdelays2

LIKE sasuser.flightdelays;
quit;
```

```
proc sql;
                                  create table WORK.FLIGHTDELAYS2(
 describe table
                                  bufsize=8192)
     work.flightdelays2;
                                    Date num format=DATE9. informat=DATE9.,
quit;
                                    FlightNumber
                                                    char(3),
                                                    char(3),
proc sql;
                                    Origin
select * from work.flightdelays2;
                                                    char(3),
                                    Destination
                                    DelayCategory char(15),
quit;
                                    DestinationType char(15),
                                    DayOfWeek
                                                    num,
                                    Delay
                                                    num
NOTE: No rows were selected
```

## CREATE TABLE...(DROP|KEEP=...) LIKE...

```
create table work.flightdelays3
(drop=delaycategory, destinationtype)

LIKE sasuser.flightdelays;
quit;
```

```
proc sql;
describe table
work.flightdelays3;
quit;

proc sql;
select * from work.flightdelays3;
```

```
bufsize=4096 )
(
Date num format=DATE9. informat=DATE9.,
FlightNumber char(3),
Origin char(3),
Destination char(3),
DayOfWeek num,
Delay num
):
```

create table WORK.FLIGHTDELAYS3(

NOTE: No rows were selected

Note: DROP= and KEEP= options are not part of ANSI and are unique to SAS PROC SQL

quit;

#### Note the difference

In PROC SQL

In SQL\*PLUS

```
proc sql;
describe table flightdelays3;
quit;
```

describe flightdelays3

#### **Practice**

- Use CREATE TABLE...(KEEP=...) LIKE...to create a new empty table called Employee\_payroll\_T1 in the Work library based on the first four columns of the Employee\_payroll in the SASUSER library.
- Create a new table called Employee\_payroll\_T2, which is identical to Employee\_payroll\_T1, by using a query.

### **Common comparison operators**

Mnemonic	Symbol	Definition	
LT	<	Less than	
GT	>	Greater than	
EQ	=	Equal to	
LE	<=	Less than or equal to	
GE	>=	Greater than or equal to	
NE	<>	Not equal to	
	^=	Not equal to (ASCII)	

You can use the mnemonic or the symbols in PROC SQL

## Logical operators

Mnemonic	Symbol	Definition	
OR		or, either	
AND	&	and, both	
NOT	٨	not, negation (ASCII)	

You can use the mnemonic or the symbols in PROC SQL

## The concatenation operator (Review)

It joins two strings into one string. For example,

```
Name = FirstName | | ' ' | LastName;
```

```
Name = 'John' || ' ' || 'Smith';
```

#### Common WHERE clause operators with examples

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Operator	Example	
IN	where JobCategory in ('PT','NA','FA')	
CONTAINS or ?	where word ? 'LAM'	
IS NULL or IS MISSING	where Product_ID is missing	
BETWEEN - AND	where Salary between 70000 and 80000	
SOUNDS LIKE (=*)	where LastName =* 'SMITH'	
LIKE using % or _	where Employee_Name like 'H%' where JobCategory like '1'	

## The CONTAINS or ? operator

#### Example:

proc sql outobs=10; select name from sasuser.frequentflyers where name ? 'ER'; Name COOPER, LESLIE COOPER, ANTHONY COOK, JENNIFER FOSTER, GERALD **BRADLEY, JEREMY** BURKE, CHRISTOPHER **AVERY, JERRY** EDGERTON, JOSHUA SAYERS, RANDY WANG, CHRISTOPHER

## The Sounds-Like (=\*) operator

#### Example:

```
proc sql;
select customer_id, country, gender,
customer_name
  from sasuser.customer
  where customer_firstname =* 'Jim';
quit;
```

```
proc sql;
select customer_id, country, gender,
customer_name
from sasuser.customer
where SOUNDEX(customer_firstname)
= SOUNDEX('Jim');
quit;
```

Customer ID	Customer Country	Customer Gender	Customer Name
17	US	M	Jimmie Evans

```
Note: In Oracle, you can use either
where customer_firstname SOUNDS LIKE 'Jim'
Or
where SOUNDEX(customer_firstname) = SOUNDEX('Jim')
```

#### A Review of some SAS character functions

- SCAN()
  - > Returns a word from a character value
- SUBSTR()
  - Extract a substring or replaces character values
- TRANWRD()
  - Replaces or removes all occurrences of a pattern of characters within a character string

## The SCAN() function

#### Syntax: SCAN(argument,n,delimiters)

where

argument specifies the character value, variable or expression to scan

**n** specifies which word to return; if the value of n is negative, the SCAN() function selects the word in the character string starting from the end of the string.

**delimiters** are special characters that must be enclosed in quotation marks. A blank and a comma are default delimiters.

#### Example:

SCAN('Ithaca, NY, 14853', -3, ', ')

What is the result that the SCAN() function will return?

## The SUBSTR() function

SUBSTR(argument, position, <n>)

where

argument specifies the character value, variable or expression to scan.

position is the character position to start from.n specifies the number of characters to extract. If n is omitted, all remaining characters are included in the substring.

When the function is on the **right side** of an assignment statement, the function returns the requested string.

```
Example:
```

City = SUBSTR('Ithaca, NY, 14853', 1, 6);

What will the SUBSTR() function return?

## The SUBSTR() function

The SUBSTR() function can be used to replace the character values if you place the function on the **left side** of an assignment statement.

```
Example:
```

```
new_string = 'Ithaca, NY, 14853';
SUBSTR(new string, 13, 5) = '14850'
```

What is the value of new\_string after you execute the above statement?

## The TRANWRD() function

**TRANWRD**(source,target,replacement)

where

**source** specifies the source string that you want to update **target** specifies the string that SAS searches for in **source replacement** specifies the string that replaces **target**.

```
Example:
```

phonenumber=TRANWRD(phonenumber, '607', '608');

What happens to the values of the phonenumber variable?

## Update values in existing table rows

```
The syntax:
       proc sql;
        update table name
           set column =...
           where...;
Example:
       proc sql;
        update work.payrollmaster new
           set salary=salary*1.05
           where jobcode like ' 1';
```

## **Practice: using PROC SQL**