

# CREATING TABLES USING `mmtable2` PACKAGE

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## `mmtable2` Tutorial

To install, run: `remotes::install_github("ianmoran11/mmtable2")`

Let's get up and running with `mmtable2` so we can make a killer table that impresses your bosses and helps you make reports that get you promoted.

### Goal for our table

Our goal is to analyze the `mpg` dataset (fuel economy of vehicles by important vehicle attributes like manufacturer, number of cylinders, etc). The table we put into our report:

- Summarizes the average fuel economy (City and Highway)
- By two categories: Car Manufacturer and Number of Engine Cylinders

### Step 1: Load the Libraries and Data

First, we need to:

- Load Libraries: Load `mmtable2`, `gt`, and `tidyverse`.
- Import Data: We're using the `mpg` dataset that comes with `ggplot2`.

```
library(mmtable2)
library(tidyverse)
library(gt)

data(mpg)
```

### Step 2: Tidy the Data

Our next step is to use `dplyr` and `tidyr` to get the data into the right format for the table. We'll use 4 important data wrangling operations:

- `group_by()`: Groups by our grouping columns: Manufacturer and Number of Engine Cylinders.
- `summarise()`: We'll calculate the average fuel economy for both City and Highway. We combine with the `across()` function which makes it easy to summarize multiple columns. We use the `mean()` function to calculate the averages by group.
- `ungroup()`: Ungrouping is needed to remove any leftover groups.
- `pivot_longer()`: Used to convert from a "wide" to a "long" data frame, which stacks the City and Highway average fuel economy on top of each other. If you're familiar with `ggplot2` the "long" format is critical to plotting.

### Step 3: Make the basic table

With the `mpg` data summarized and in the long format, we can now use `mmtable2` to make a table, just like we would use `ggplot2` to make a plot. We perform 3 actions:

1. Setup the `mmtable()`: This is just like `ggplot()` function in `ggplot2`.
2. Specify the headers locations: This tells the location for each header needed to organize the table.
3. Format the header and table cells: This adds the lines that help to differentiate groups in our data.

### **BONUS: Customize the table with `gt`**

The magic of `mmtable2` is that it actually uses another awesome package called `gt`, which is what allows `mmtable2` to produce awesome-looking tables.

So, if we know how to use `gt`, we can customize our basic table!

Let's give it a go by adding some `gt` headers, which give the table a title and subtitle.