

# Group by walkthrough

By now, you'd better know that you need to import Agate.

```
import agate
```

And you need data.

```
mountainlions = agate.Table.from_csv('../Data/mountainlions.csv')
print(mountainlions)
```

column_names	column_types
ID	Number
Cofirm Type	Text
COUNTY	Text
Date	Date

First, let's group them together using `group_by`. We'll create a new table, called `by_county` and populate it with the results of our `group_by` statement. The new table is a subset of our first table we created on import, so we'll have to be sure to use that.

```
by_county = mountainlions.group_by('COUNTY')
```

```
print(len(by_county))
```

42

So that means 42 counties had mountain lion sightings. Out of 93 Nebraska counties. That's a chunk. However, it helps to know what by using `group_by`, we haven't actually created a new table. We've created a `TableSet`. Which is why you can't print it and see it.

```
by_county.print_table()
```

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AttributeError                                Traceback (most recent call last)  
  
<i-input-9-27a489864901> in <module>()  
----> 1 by_county.print_table()  
  
/Users/mattwaite/anaconda/envs/homework/lib/3.5/site-packages/  
agate/tableset.py in __getattr__(self, name)  
    115         # Proxy table methods  
    116         if name in Table.__dict__:  
--> 117             if Table.__dict__[name].allow_tableset_proxy:  
AttributeError: 'function' object has no attribute 'allow_tableset_proxy'  
    118                 return TableMethodProxy(self, name)  
    119
```

To make something out of a `group_by` `TableSet`, we have to run some aggregates on it. That looks like this:

```
county_totals = by_county.aggregate([  
    ('count', agate.Length())  
)
```

```
county_totals.print_table()
```

COUNTY	count
Dawes	111
Sioux	52
Scotts Bluff	26
Box Butte	4
Howard	3
Brown	15
Douglas	2
Cherry	30
Thomas	5
Keya Paha	20
Dakota	3
Sarpy	1
Custer	8
Sheridan	35
Banner	6
Knox	8
Nance	1
Platte	1
Dawson	5
Rock	11
Hooker	1
Lincoln	10
Polk	1
Valley	1
Sherman	1
Blaine	3
Saunders	2
Buffalo	3
sheridan	2
Thurston	1
Dixon	3
Holt	2
Kimball	1
Morrill	2

	Cedar		1	
	Keith		1	
	Merrick		1	
	Hall		1	
	Wheeler		1	
	Richardson		2	
	Nemaha		5	
	Frontier		1	
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That's more like it. But it's not in order, so it is sort of bothersome. We can fix that just like we did in the first walkthrough -- with ordering.

```
sorted_counties = county_totals.order_by('count', reverse=True)
sorted_counties.print_table()
```

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	COUNTY		count	
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	Dawes		111	
	Sioux		52	
	Sheridan		35	
	Cherry		30	
	Scotts Bluff		26	
	Keya Paha		20	
	Brown		15	
	Rock		11	
	Lincoln		10	
	Custer		8	
	Knox		8	
	Banner		6	
	Thomas		5	
	Dawson		5	
	Nemaha		5	
	Box Butte		4	
	Howard		3	
	Dakota		3	
	Blaine		3	

	Buffalo		3	
	Dixon		3	
	Douglas		2	
	Saunders		2	
	sheridan		2	
	Holt		2	
	Morrill		2	
	Richardson		2	
	Sarpy		1	
	Nance		1	
	Platte		1	
	Hooker		1	
	Polk		1	
	Valley		1	
	Sherman		1	
	Thurston		1	
	Kimball		1	
	Cedar		1	
	Keith		1	
	Merrick		1	
	Hall		1	
	Wheeler		1	
	Frontier		1	
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A note on `print_table` : You can limit the number of rows you print by adding `max_rows=X` to the `print_table` in the parenthesis, like this:

```
sorted_counties.print_table(max_rows=25)
```

COUNTY	count
Dawes	111
Sioux	52
Sheridan	35
Cherry	30
Scotts Bluff	26
Keya Paha	20
Brown	15
Rock	11
Lincoln	10
Custer	8
Knox	8
Banner	6
Thomas	5
Dawson	5
Nemaha	5
Box Butte	4
Howard	3
Dakota	3
Blaine	3
Buffalo	3
Dixon	3
Douglas	2
Saunders	2
sheridan	2
Holt	2
...	...

## Assignment

1. Copy your homework notebook from last time, the one with UNL salaries. Rename it to something else. I called my SecondAgateHomework.ipynb
2. Using what you've done already, let's extend it. We've calculated the median and mean salary for all UNL employees, but that doesn't tell the whole story. The mean includes football and basketball coaches. The medians don't show

the differences between jobs at the university. So using what you've learned in this walkthrough, group the salaries by job title.

3. Aggregate a count, a median and an average for each job title. Hint: You can do this all in one aggregate table. [See here](#). One gotcha on that multiple aggregates in a single table thing: Watch out for commas. You need one at the end of every line EXCEPT the last aggregate.
4. Sort the table by the count, putting the most common job title at the top.
5. Print the table out. Limit it to the 50 most common jobs.
6. Make sure you describe each step taken in Markdown between the commands.