

Python Data Type Conversion Table

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Basic Conversion Table:

✓ = Conversion works directly

✗ = Conversion not possible directly

⚠ = Conversion works with special considerations

From \ To	list()	tuple()	set()	str()	dict()	Notes
list	✓	✓	✓	⚠	⚠	list→str creates string representation; list→dict requires [key,value] pairs
tuple	✓	✓	✓	⚠	⚠	tuple→str creates string representation; tuple→dict requires (key,value) pairs
set	✓	✓	✓	⚠	✗	set→str creates string representation; set elements can't be used for dict
str	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	str→list/tuple/set creates collection of characters
dict	⚠	⚠	⚠	⚠	✓	dict→list/tuple/set extracts keys only; dict→str creates stringrepresentation

Detailed Explanations:

List Conversions:

list → list: `list([1, 2, 3]) → [1, 2, 3]`

list → tuple: `tuple([1, 2, 3]) → (1, 2, 3)`

list → set: `set([1, 2, 3]) → {1, 2, 3}`

list → str: `str([1, 2, 3]) → "[1, 2, 3]"` (string representation, not individual characters)

list → dict: `dict([["a", 1], ["b", 2]]) → {"a": 1, "b": 2}` (requires key-value pairs)

Tuple Conversions:

tuple → list: `list((1, 2, 3)) → [1, 2, 3]`

tuple → tuple: `tuple((1, 2, 3)) → (1, 2, 3)`

tuple → set: `set((1, 2, 3)) → {1, 2, 3}`

tuple → str: `str((1, 2, 3)) → "(1, 2, 3)"` (string representation, not individual characters)

tuple → dict: `dict([("a", 1), ("b", 2)]) → {"a": 1, "b": 2}` (requires key-value pairs)

Set Conversions:

set → list: `list({1, 2, 3}) → [1, 2, 3]`

set → tuple: `tuple({1, 2, 3}) → (1, 2, 3)`

set → set: `set({1, 2, 3}) → {1, 2, 3}`

set → str: `str({1, 2, 3}) → "{1, 2, 3}"` (string representation, not individual characters)

set → dict: Not directly possible. Set elements are not key-value pairs.

String Conversions:

str → list: `list("abc") → ['a', 'b', 'c']`

str → tuple: `tuple("abc") → ('a', 'b', 'c')`

str → set: `set("abc") → {'a', 'b', 'c'}`

str → str: `str("abc") → "abc"`

str → dict: Not directly possible. String characters are not key-value pairs.

Dictionary Conversions:

dict → list: `list({"a": 1, "b": 2}) → ["a", "b"]` (extracts keys only)

dict → tuple: `tuple({"a": 1, "b": 2}) → ("a", "b")` (extracts keys only)

dict → set: `set({"a": 1, "b": 2}) → {"a", "b"}` (extracts keys only)

dict → str: `str({"a": 1, "b": 2}) → '{"a": 1, "b": 2}'` (string representation)

dict → dict: `dict({"a": 1, "b": 2}) → {"a": 1, "b": 2}`

Advanced Conversion Techniques:

Dictionary to list of key-value pairs: `list(d.items()) → [('a', 1), ('b', 2)]`

Dictionary to list of values: `list(d.values()) → [1, 2]`

String to dictionary (using eval): `eval("'a': 1, 'b': 2") → {"a": 1, "b": 2}` (use with caution)

List of tuples to dictionary: `dict([("a", 1), ("b", 2)]) → {"a": 1, "b": 2}`