Command Reference: AppendTable()

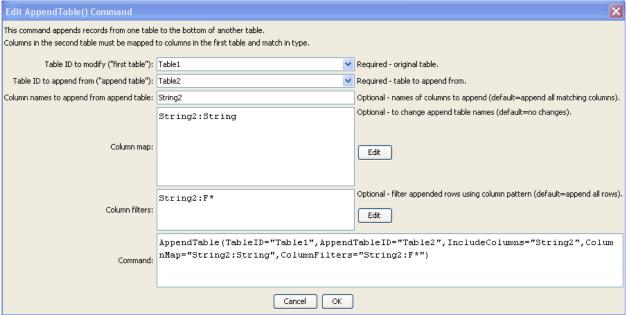
Append one table to another table

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The AppendTable () command appends rows from one table to another table, resulting in more rows being added to the first table. This command does not "join" tables horizontally (for such functionality see the JoinTables () command). For appended rows:

- values in columns that are not matched are set to null in the receiving table
- values in columns where the data types do not match are set to null in the receiving table

The following dialog is used to edit the command and illustrates the syntax of the command.



AppendTable() Command Editor

AppendTable

The command syntax is as follows:

AppendTable (Parameter=Value, ...)

Command Parameters

Parameter	Description	Default
TableID	The identifier for the original table, to which records will be	None – must be
	appended.	specified.
Append	The identifier for the table from which to append.	None – must be
TableID		specified.
Include	The names of columns to append from AppendTableID,	Append all of the
Columns	separated by commas. See also ColumnMap to indicate how to	columns from
	map column names in the append table to the first table (necessary if the column names don't match).	AppendTableID
		that match columns in
		TableID.

Parameter	Description	Default
ColumnMap	The map of the append table columns to the first table's	If no map, append
	columns, necessary when column names are not the same:	table column names in
	AppendColumn1:OriginalColumn1,	IncludeColumns
	AppendColumn2:OriginalColumn2	must have the same
		name in the first table.
Column	Filters that limit the number of rows being appended from the	No filtering.
Filters	append table, using the syntax:	
	AppendColumn1:FilterPattern1,	
	AppendColumn2:FilterPattern2	
	Patterns can use * to indicate wildcards for matches. Only	
	string values can be checked (other data types are converted to	
	strings for comparison). Comparisons are case-independent.	
	All patterns must be matched in order to append the row. In the	
	future a command may be added to perform queries on tables,	
	similar to SQL for databases.	

The following figures show the input tables and results (modified first table) corresponding to the parameters shown in the editor dialog figure above. Note that the column names for "Table2" have a "2".



Table Corresponding to TableID in Command Editor



Table Corresponding to AppendTableID in Command Editor

DateTime	String	Double	Integer
2000-01-01	First day	1.0	1
2000-01-02	Second day	2.0	2
2000-01-03	Third day	3.0	3
2000-01-04	Fourth day	4.0	4
2000-01-05	Fifth day	5.0	5
2000-01-06	Sixth day	6.0	6
	First day		
	Fourth day		
	Fifth day		

Table Corresponding to Results from Parameters in Command Editor

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