

# Tidying Data Notes edX

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- When tidying data, each row should contain 1 observation and each column should be one variable
- Columns can be added with `mutate()`
- Glimpse of murder before `mutate()`:

```
##      state abb region population total
## 1 Alabama  AL  South    4779736    135
## 2 Alaska   AK   West     710231     19
## 3 Arizona  AZ   West    6392017    232
```

- Glimpse of murder after `mutate()`:
- Data sets can be filtered with the `filter()` function:
- Columns can be selected with `select(df, col1, col2, col3, coln)`
- The `pull()` function can help us to isolate integers from a single observation data frame:

```
us_murder_rate <- murders %>%
  summarize(rate = sum(total) / sum(population) * 100000)
us_murder_rate
```

```
##      rate
## 1 0.5554402
```

```
# Summarize gives us a new data frame, however, using pull() we can extract integers
us_murder_rate %>% pull(rate)
```

```
## [1] 0.5554402
```

- The `arrange()` function can be used to order a dataframe.
- if there is a tie in the order, a second argument can be used to break the tie:

```
murders %>%
  arrange(region, rate) %>%
  head(2)
```

```
##      state abb      region population total      rate
## 1 North Dakota ND North Central    672591     4 0.5947151
## 2      Iowa  IA North Central    3046355    21 0.6893484
```

```
# This reads: arrange the murders df by region, if regions are the same arrange the region by rate
```

- Another useful organizational function is the `top_n()` function. This function is the combination of `head()` and `arrange()`

## Tibbles vs. Data Frames

Essentially, a tibble is a modern day data frame, however, there are four major differences between them:

1. Tibbles display better
2. Subsets of tibbles are tibbles

3. Tibbles can have complex entries
4. Tibbles can be grouped