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# pandas.notnull

**pandas.notnull(obj)**[\[source\]](#)

Detect non-missing values for an array-like object.

This function takes a scalar or array-like object and indicates whether values are valid (not missing, which is **NaN** in numeric arrays, **None** or **NaN** in object arrays, **NaT** in datetimelike).

**Parameters:** **obj** : *array-like or object value*

Object to check for *not* null or *non*-missing values.

**Returns:** **bool or array-like of bool**

For scalar input, returns a scalar boolean. For array input, returns an array of boolean indicating whether each corresponding element is valid.

## See also

[isna](#)

Boolean inverse of pandas.isna.

[Series.notna](#)

Detect valid values in a Series.

[DataFrame.notna](#)

Detect valid values in a DataFrame.

[Index.notna](#)

Detect valid values in an Index.

## Examples

Scalar arguments (including strings) result in a scalar boolean.

```
>>> pd.notna('dog')
True
```

```
>>> pd.notna(pd.NA)
False
```

```
>>> pd.notna(np.nan)
False
```

ndarrays result in an ndarray of booleans.

```
>>> array = np.array([[1, np.nan, 3], [4, 5, np.nan]])
>>> array
array([[ 1., nan,  3.],
       [ 4.,  5., nan]])
>>> pd.notna(array)
array([[ True, False,  True],
       [ True,  True, False]])
```

For indexes, an ndarray of booleans is returned.

```
>>> index = pd.DatetimeIndex(["2017-07-05", "2017-07-06", None,
...                           "2017-07-08"])
>>> index
DatetimeIndex(['2017-07-05', '2017-07-06', 'NaT', '2017-07-08'],
              dtype='datetime64[ns]', freq=None)
>>> pd.notna(index)
array([ True,  True, False,  True])
```

For Series and DataFrame, the same type is returned, containing booleans.

```
>>> df = pd.DataFrame(['ant', 'bee', 'cat'], ['dog', None, 'fly'])
>>> df
   0    1    2
0  ant  bee  cat
1  dog None  fly
>>> pd.notna(df)
   0    1    2
0  True  True  True
1  True False  True
```

```
>>> pd.notna(df[1])
0    True
1    False
Name: 1, dtype: bool
```

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