Object	Prefix	Description
Button	btn	Presents a standard button that the user can click to perform actions. IE: btnClickMe.
CheckBox	cbx	Indicates whether a condition is on or off. IE: cbxPurchaseInsurance
CheckedListBox	clb	Displays a list of items with a check box next to each item. IE: clbSelectedCampsites
ColorDialog	clr	Allows the user to select a color from a palette in a pre-configured dialog box and to add custom colors to that palette. IE: clrPickColor
ComboBox	cbo	Displays data in a drop-down combo box. IE: cboCityName
ContextMenu	ctx	Provides users with an easily accessible menu of frequently used commands that are associated with the selected object. IE: ctxClipboardOptions
DataGrid	dgrd	Displays tabular data from a dataset and allows for updates to the data source. IE: dgrdEmployees
DataGridView	dgv	Provides a flexible extensible system for displaying and editing tabular data. IE: dgvStaffMembers
DateTimePicker	dtp	Allows the user to select a single item from a list of dates or times. IE: dtpStartDate
FileDialog	fil	Class Provides base-class functionality for file dialog boxes. IE: filOpenInventoryFile
FolderBrowserDialog	fldr	Displays an interface with which users can browse and select a directory or create a new one. IE: fldrLocateInventory
FontDialog	fnt	Exposes the fonts that are currently installed on the system. IE: fntSelectFont
Form	frm	A window form (contains thing such as buttons check boxes text). Initial forms in these classes should be named frmMain
GroupBox	gbx	Provides an identifiable grouping for others. IE: gbxEmployeeDetails
HelpProvider	hlp	Associates an HTML Help file with a Windows-based application. IE: hlpUserHelp
ImageList	img	Used with image display IE: imgEmployeePicture
Label	lbl	Displays text that cannot be edited/changed by the user. IE: lblLastName
ListBox	lbx	Allows the user to select one or more items from a predefined list. IE: lbxCountyNames
ListView	lv	Displays a list of items with icons in the manner of Windows Explorer. IE: lvStaffSelections
MaskedTextBox	msk	Constrains the format of user input in a form. IE: mskPaymentAmount
MenuStrip	mnu	Provides a menu system for a form. IE: mnuMainMenu
Modules	mod	Modules (code). IE: modCalculations

MonthCalendar	cal	Presents an intuitive graphical interface for users to view and set date information. IE: calSelectDate
OpenFileDialog	ofd	Allows users to open files by using a pre-configured dialog box. IE: ofdOpenTextFile
PageSetupDialog	psd	Sets page details for printing through a pre-configured dialog box. IE: psdPageSetup
Panel	pnl	Provide an identifiable grouping and allows for scrolling. IE: pnlPolicyChoices
PictureBox	pbx	Displays graphics in bitmap GIF JPEG metafile or icon format. IE: pbxEmployeePhoto
PrintDialog	pd	Selects a printer chooses the pages to print and determines other print-related settings. IE: pdPrinter
PrintDocument	pdoc	Sets the properties that describe what to print and prints the document in Windows-based applications. IE: pdocPayroll
PrintPreview	ppv	Allows you to create your own PrintPreview or dialog box instead of using the pre-configured version. IE: ppvPrintPayroll
PrintPreviewDialog	ppd	Displays a document as it will appear when it is printed. IE: ppdPreviewPayroll
ProgressBar	pbar	Graphically indicates the progress of an action towards completion. IE: pbarLoadingStatus
RadioButton	rad	Presents a set of two or more mutually exclusive options to the user. IE: radPremiumCustomer
RichTextBox	rtb	Allows users to enter display and manipulate text with formatting. IE: rtbReportWriteup
SaveFileDialog	sfd	Selects files to save and where to save them. IE: sfdFileSave
StatusStrip	ss	Represents a Windows status bar . Although StatusStrip replaces and extends the StatusBar of previous versions StatusBar is retained for both backward compatibility and future use if you choose. IE: ssMain
TextBox	tbx	Allows editable multiline input from the user. IE: tbxLastName
Timer	tmr	Raises an event at regular (clock like) intervals. IE: tmrFadeOut
ToolStrip	ts	Creates custom toolbars and menus in your Windows Forms applications. IE: tsQuickAccess
ToolStripProgressBar	spb	Graphically indicates the progress of an action towards completion. The ToolStripProgressBar is typically contained in a StatusStrip. IE: spbCompletionStatus
ToolStripStatusLabel	ssl	Represents a panel in a StatusStrip. IE: sslFeedbackMessage
ToolTip	tt	Displays text when the user points at others. IE: ttExpectedEntries

*Common (VB & C#) variable/object prefixes

Arrays	arr	Arrays (subscripted). IE: arrEmployees()
Collections	col	Collections. IE: colAddresses()
List	lst	List (Item lists). IE: lstAddresses()
StreamReader	sr	Stream File Reader. IE: srInputFile
StreamWriter	sw	Stream File Writer. IE: swOutputFile

Data Type	**Prefix**	**Example**
Boolean	bol	blnFoundIt
Byte	byt	bytRasterData
Character	chr	chrMiddleInitial
Collection	col	colBooks
Date(Time)	dt	dtGradDate or dtmGradDate
Decimal	dec	decNetPay
Double	dbl	dlbTolerance
Integer	int	intNoDecimalNumber
Long	lng	lngBigNumber
Float	flt	fltBudget
Object	obj	objChair
Short	shrt	shrtCount
Single	sng	sngAverage
String	str	strFirstName