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property DataFrame.loc

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Access a group of rows and columns by label(s) or a boolean array.

.loc[] is primarily label based, but may also be used with a boolean array.

Allowed inputs are:

- A single label, e.g. 5 or 'a', (note that 5 is interpreted as a *label* of the index, and **never** as an integer position along the index).
- A list or array of labels, e.g. ['a', 'b', 'c'].
- A slice object with labels, e.g. 'a':'f'.

Warning

Note that contrary to usual python slices, both the start and the stop are included

- A boolean array of the same length as the axis being sliced, e.g. [True, False, True].
- An alignable boolean Series. The index of the key will be aligned before masking.
- An alignable Index. The Index of the returned selection will be the input.
- A callable function with one argument (the calling Series or DataFrame) and that returns valid output for indexing (one of the above)

See more at Selection by Label.

Raises:

KeyError

If any items are not found.

IndexingError

If an indexed key is passed and its index is unalignable to the fram

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See also
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DataFrame.at
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Access a single value for a row/column label pair.

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DataFrame.iloc
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Access group of rows and columns by integer position(s).

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DataFrame.xs
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Returns a cross-section (row(s) or column(s)) from the Series/DataFrame.

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Series.loc
```

Access group of values using labels.

Examples

Getting values

Single label. Note this returns the row as a Series.

```
>>> df.loc['viper']
max_speed 4
shield 5
Name: viper, dtype: int64
```

List of labels. Note using [[]] returns a DataFrame.

Single label for row and column

```
>>> df.loc['cobra', 'shield']
2
```

Slice with labels for row and single label for column. As mentioned above, note that both the start and stop of the slice are included.

```
>>> df.loc['cobra':'viper', 'max_speed']
cobra 1
viper 4
Name: max_speed, dtype: int64
```

Boolean list with the same length as the row axis

Alignable boolean Series:

Index (same behavior as df.reindex)

Conditional that returns a boolean Series

Conditional that returns a boolean Series with column labels specified

Multiple conditional using & that returns a boolean Series

Multiple conditional using [] that returns a boolean Series

Please ensure that each condition is wrapped in parentheses (). See the <u>user guide</u> for more details and explanations of Boolean indexing.

1 Note

If you find yourself using 3 or more conditionals in <code>.loc[]</code>, consider using <u>advanced</u> indexing.

See below for using \[.loc[] \] on MultiIndex DataFrames.

Callable that returns a boolean Series

Setting values

Set value for all items matching the list of labels

```
>>> df.loc[['viner', 'sidewinder'], ['shield']] = 50
```

```
cobra 1 2
viper 4 50
sidewinder 7 50
```

Set value for an entire row

Set value for an entire column

Set value for rows matching callable condition

Add value matching location

Setting using a Series or a DataFrame sets the values matching the index labels, not the index positions.

Getting values on a DataFrame with an index that has integer labels

Another example using integers for the index

Slice with integer labels for rows. As mentioned above, note that both the start and stop of the slice are included.

Getting values with a MultiIndex

A number of examples using a DataFrame with a MultiIndex

```
>>> tuples = [
... ('cobra', 'mark i'), ('cobra', 'mark ii'),
... ('sidewinder', 'mark i'), ('sidewinder', 'mark ii'),
... ('viper', 'mark ii'), ('viper', 'mark iii')
... ]
>>> index = pd.MultiIndex.from_tuples(tuples)
>>> values = [[12, 2], [0, 4], [10, 20],
... [1, 4], [7, 1], [16, 36]]
>>> df = pd.DataFrame(values, columns=['max_speed', 'shield'], index=index)
>>> df

max_speed_shield
```

```
sidewinder mark i 10 20

mark ii 1 4

viper mark ii 7 1

mark iii 16 36
```

Single label. Note this returns a DataFrame with a single index.

```
>>> df.loc['cobra']

max_speed shield

mark i 12 2

mark ii 0 4
```

Single index tuple. Note this returns a Series.

```
>>> df.loc[('cobra', 'mark ii')]
max_speed  0
shield    4
Name: (cobra, mark ii), dtype: int64
```

Single label for row and column. Similar to passing in a tuple, this returns a Series.

```
>>> df.loc['cobra', 'mark i']
max_speed 12
shield 2
Name: (cobra, mark i), dtype: int64
```

Single tuple. Note using [[]] returns a DataFrame.

Single tuple for the index with a single label for the column

```
>>> df.loc[('cobra', 'mark i'), 'shield']
2
```

Slice from index tuple to single label

```
cobra
           mark i
           mark ii
                               0
sidewinder mark i
                              10
                                      20
           mark ii
                                       4
                               1
viper
           mark ii
                               7
                                       1
           mark iii
                              16
                                      36
```

Slice from index tuple to index tuple

```
>>> df.loc[('cobra', 'mark i'):('viper', 'mark ii')]
                    max_speed shield
cobra
           mark i
                            12
           mark ii
                            0
                                     4
sidewinder mark i
                            10
                                    20
           mark ii
                            1
                                     4
viper
           mark ii
                            7
                                     1
```

Please see the user guide for more details and explanations of advanced indexing.

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