

PlayerPrefsRuntime Tool

version 2.0

Overview

PlayerPrefsRuntime Tool is a Unity plugin that allows you to retrieve all `PlayerPrefs` at runtime across multiple platforms, including Android, iOS, Windows, and macOS. This tool is invaluable for debugging, analytics, and ensuring the integrity of player preferences within your Unity projects.

Features

- **Cross-Platform Support:** Compatible with `Android`, `iOS`, `Windows`, and `macOS`.
- **Runtime Access:** Retrieve all `PlayerPrefs` as a dictionary directly from the device for easy manipulation.
- **Logging:** Display all `PlayerPrefs` data in the Unity Console for debugging purposes.
- **Interactive UI Viewer:** Visual interface with search, sorting, and detailed entry inspection.
- **Extensible Architecture:** Easily extendable to support additional platforms or functionalities.

UI Viewer Features

The PlayerPrefsRuntime Tool includes a comprehensive visual UI viewer that provides:

Real-time Search & Filtering

- Live search across key names, types, and values
- Case-insensitive filtering with instant results
- Clear button to reset search
- Shows filtered count vs total count in header

Sorting Capabilities

- Toggle between "Sort: Name" and "Sort: Type" modes
- Secondary sorting (type within name, or name within type)
- Alphabetical ordering using ordinal comparison

Visual Design & Theming

- Dark theme with accent colors (blues, cyans)
- Alternating even/odd row colors for readability
- Color-coded type badges (`Int`, `String`, `Float`)
- Interactive rows with hover effects
- Safe area support for mobile devices

Interactive Features

- Click on any entry to view detailed information in a dialog
- Close button to hide the viewer and clean up resources
- Sort button to toggle between sorting modes
- Search field with placeholder text

Performance Optimized

- Smooth scrolling with inertia and deceleration
- Clamped movement type (no overscroll)
- Optimized content sizing with proper masking
- Handles large datasets (100+ entries) efficiently

Notes & Limitations

- Windows builds decode the PlayerPrefs registry entries Unity writes. Standard `int`, `float`, and `string` keys are returned; values stored in any other registry format are skipped and reported in a single aggregated warning so logs stay readable.
- iOS/macOS rely on a native JSON export. The helper normalizes numeric types back to Unity-friendly values (e.g. large `long` stay `long`, doubles collapse to `float`), so downstream code sees the usual `PlayerPrefs` types.
- Define `PLAYER_PREFS_RUNTIME_TOOL` only for targets where the native bridge or registry access exists; editor playback will safely fall back to empty results.
- The UI Viewer is automatically disabled in editor playback mode and will show an empty state with a message indicating that PlayerPrefs are not accessible in the editor.

Platform Support Details

| Platform | Implementation | UI Viewer | Method |
|--------------|---|-----------|-------------|
| Android | SharedPreferences via AndroidJavaObject | ✓ | Runtime |
| iOS | Native P/Invoke to iOS key-value store | ✓ | Runtime |
| macOS | Native P/Invoke to macOS preferences | ✓ | Runtime |
| Windows | Registry access with binary parsing | ✓ | Runtime |
| Editor (Win) | Registry access | ✓ | Editor only |
| Editor (Mac) | plist file parsing | ✓ | Editor only |

Platform-Specific Features:

Android:

- Accesses `SharedPreferences` using package name
- Handles URI-encoded keys and values
- Supports standard int, float, string types

iOS/macOS:

- Native JSON export via `P/Invoke`
- Requires native plugins in `Assets/Plugins/`
- Handles binary data and complex types

Windows:

- Registry-based access at `Software\{company}\{product}`
- Custom binary parsing for Unity's `PlayerPrefs` format
- Supports int, float, string, and binary data

Data Type Handling:

- Automatic normalization across platforms
- Type consistency: Ensures `long`→`int`, `double`→`float` conversions
- Binary data support: Base64 encoding/decoding where needed
- Null safety: Graceful handling of missing or corrupted data

1. Enable the Tool

To enable the `PlayerPrefsRuntime` Tool, define the `PLAYER_PREFS_RUNTIME_TOOL` scripting symbol:

Go to `Edit > Project Settings > Player`. Under the `Other Settings` tab, find `Scripting Define Symbols`. Add `PLAYER_PREFS_RUNTIME_TOOL` to the list, separated by a semicolon if other symbols are present.

2. UI Viewer Setup (Optional)

Sort: Name

Search...

X

20 entries | Updated 22:47:11

PlayerPrefs Runtime Viewer

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| Lorem ipsum dolor sit amet, consectetur adipiscing elit, sed do eiusmod tempor incididunt ut labore... | String | Lorem ipsum dolor sit amet, consectetur adipiscing elit, sed do eiusmod tempor incididunt ut labore et dolore magna aliqua. HELLO w@rnD?! こんにちはプレイヤー！ [1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,0] Lorem ipsum dolor sit ame... |
| PLAYER_PREFS_JP | String | こんにちはプレイヤー！ |
| PLAYER_PREFS_JSON | String | {\"audio\":{\"master\":0.8,\"music\":0.65,\"sfx\":1.0},\"video\":{\"resolution\":\"2560x1440\",\"fullscreen\":true}} |
| PLAYER_PREFS_LONG | String | Lorem ipsum dolor sit amet, consectetur adipiscing elit, sed do eiusmod tempor incididunt ut labore et dolore magna aliqua. HELLO w@rnD?! こんにちはプレイヤー！ [1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,0]Lorem ipsum dolor sit amet... |
| PLAYER_PREFS_MEDIUM | String | Sample medium-length string value. |
| PLAYER_PREFS_RU | String | Привет, мир! |
| PLAYER_PREFS_RUNTIME | String | HELLO w@rnD?! |

The UI Viewer is automatically configured and requires no additional setup. However, you can customize the appearance by modifying the `PlayerPrefsRuntimeViewConstants.cs` file:

Color Customization:

- Panel colors: `PanelColor`, `HeaderColor`, `AccentColor`
- Row colors: `RowColorEven`, `RowColorOdd`
- Text colors: `ValueTextColor`, `BadgeLabelColor`
- Control colors: `ControlNormalColor`, `CloseButtonNormalColor`

Layout Customization:

- Row dimensions: `RowMinHeight`, `RowSpacing`, `RowPaddingHorizontal`
- Font sizes: `NameFontSize`, `ValueFontSize`, `BadgeFontSize`
- Text limits: `MaxNameTextLength`, `MaxValueTextLength`

Performance Settings:

- Scroll sensitivity: `ScrollSensitivity`
- Scroll deceleration: `ScrollDecelerationRate`
- Canvas scaling: `CanvasMatchWidthOrHeight`

The UI Viewer automatically creates required components (Event System, Canvas) if they don't exist.

Usage

Basic API Usage

```
using System.Collections.Generic;
using UnityEngine;
using DmytroUdovychenko.PlayerPrefsRuntimeTool;

public class PlayerPrefsRuntimeExample : MonoBehaviour
{
    private void Start()
    {
        #if PLAYER_PREFS_RUNTIME_TOOL
            // Add test data for demonstration
            PlayerPrefsRuntime.AddTestPlayerPrefs();

            // Log all PlayerPrefs to console
            PlayerPrefsRuntime.LogAllPlayerPrefs();

            // Retrieve all PlayerPrefs as Dictionary <key, value>
            Dictionary<string, object> allPrefs = PlayerPrefsRuntime.GetAllPlayerPrefs();

            // Show the interactive UI viewer
            PlayerPrefsRuntime.ShowAllPlayerPrefs();
        #endif
    }
}
```

Demo Scene

The included demo scene

(`Assets/DmytroUdovychenko/PlayerPrefsRuntimeTool/Demo/DemoScene.unity`) showcases:

Test Data Generation

- String types: Short, medium, long, very long (100+ lines), Unicode (Russian, Japanese)
- Numeric types: Integers (positive, negative, zero), Floats (small, large, decimal)
- Special cases: JSON data, empty values, keys with special characters

Interactive Demo

- Press **"P"** key to toggle viewer visibility
- Automatically shows viewer after 0.5s delay on start
- Demonstrates complete workflow: add data → retrieve → display

Key Demo Features

- Handling of Unicode and special characters
- Large dataset performance (100+ entries)
- Cross-platform data consistency
- Search and sorting with diverse data types

To use the demo:

1. Open the demo scene
2. Press Play in the Unity Editor
3. Press "P" to toggle the UI viewer
4. Use search and sort features to explore the data

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