

# Importing Data into Python from Excel Files

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```
import pandas as pd
excel_file = pd.ExcelFile('stackoverflow.xlsx')
type(excel_file)
excel_file.sheet_names
excel_df = excel_file.parse()
type(excel_df)
excel_df.head()
excel_df
```

# Importing Excel Files Using Pandas

**Start by importing `pandas`**

- Requires `xlrd`

**Load into `ExcelFile`**

- Use `parse`



```
posts_excel = pd.read_excel('stackoverflow-one.xlsx')
type(posts_excel)
dir(posts_excel)
posts_excel.columns
posts_excel.head()
pd.read_excel('stackoverflow-one.xlsx', usecols=[0, 3]).columns
pd.read_excel('stackoverflow-one.xlsx', usecols='A:C').columns
pd.read_excel('stackoverflow-one.xlsx', usecols='A,C').columns
```

# Importing Excel Files Using Pandas

## Load using `read_excel`

- DataFrame
- Similar process as `read_csv` and `read_table`
- Also `dict` of `DataFrame`



```
excel_file.sheet_names  
posts_dict = pd.read_excel('stackoverflow.xlsx',sheet_name=None)  
type(posts_dict)  
posts_dict.keys()  
posts_dict['Posts'].head()
```

## Importing Excel Files Using Pandas

Use **sheet\_name** for selecting sheet

Many more parameters available

- i.e. **usecols**, **dtype**, **skiprows**, **nrows**, **header**...



```
posts_dict['Users'].head()
pd.read_excel('stackoverflow.xlsx',sheet_name='Users').head()
pd.read_excel('stackoverflow.xlsx',sheet_name='Users', usecols=range(1,9)).head()
pd.read_excel('stackoverflow.xlsx',sheet_name=2).head()
pd.read_excel('stackoverflow.xlsx',sheet_name='Users', usecols=range(1,9)).head()
pd.read_excel('stackoverflow.xlsx',sheet_name='Users', usecols=range(1,9),skiprows=4).head()
pd.read_excel('stackoverflow.xlsx',sheet_name='Users', usecols=range(1,9),nrows=2).head()
pd.read_excel('stackoverflow.xlsx',sheet_name='Users', usecols=range(1,9)).dtypes
pd.read_excel('stackoverflow.xlsx',sheet_name='Users', usecols=range(1,9), dtype={'PostTypeId':
str}).dtypes
pd.read_excel('stackoverflow.xlsx',sheet_name='Users', converters={'Id': lambda x: x + 1000}).head()
pd.read_excel('stackoverflow.xlsx',sheet_name='Posts', usecols=[0,7,8]).head()
pd.read_excel('stackoverflow.xlsx',sheet_name='Posts', usecols=[0,7,8], keep_default_na=False).head()
```



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# pandas.read\_excel

`pandas.read_excel(io, sheet_name=0, header=0, names=None, index_col=None, usecols=None, squeeze=False, dtype=None, engine=None, converters=None, true_values=None, false_values=None, skiprows=None, nrows=None, na_values=None, parse_dates=False, date_parser=None, thousands=None, comment=None, skipfooter=0, convert_float=True, **kwds)` [\[source\]](#)

Read an Excel table into a pandas DataFrame

**io** : *string, path object (pathlib.Path or py.\_path.local.LocalPath),*

file-like object, pandas ExcelFile, or xlrd workbook. The string could be a URL. Valid URL schemes include http, ftp, s3, and file. For file URLs, a host is expected. For instance, a local file could be `file://localhost/path/to/workbook.xlsx`

**sheet\_name** : *string, int, mixed list of strings/ints, or None, default 0*

Strings are used for sheet names, Integers are used in zero-indexed sheet positions. Lists of strings/integers are used to request multiple sheets.

Specify None to get all sheets.

str|int -> DataFrame is returned. list|None -> Dict of DataFrames is returned, with keys representing sheets.

Available Cases

- Defaults to 0 -> 1st sheet as a DataFrame
- 1 -> 2nd sheet as a DataFrame
- "Sheet1" -> 1st sheet as a DataFrame
- [0,1,"Sheet5"] -> 1st, 2nd & 5th sheet as a dictionary of DataFrames
- None -> All sheets as a dictionary of DataFrames

**sheetname** : *string, int, mixed list of strings/ints, or None, default 0*

*Deprecated since version 0.21.0: Use sheet\_name instead*

**header** : *int, list of ints, default 0*

Row (0-indexed) to use for the column labels of the parsed DataFrame. If a list of integers is passed those row positions will be combined into a MultiIndex. Use None