# Building Clinical Safety Summaries with Tplyr:: CHEAT SHEET

Tplyr
row\_label2 var1\_Placebo
<chr> <chr> <65 14 ( 16.3%)
>80 25 ( 29.1%)
65-80 42 ( 48.8%)
86 (100.0%)

**'Tplyr'** contains intuitive functions that build upon one another to create summary tables, which eliminates the redundancy of programming all while remaining flexible enough to conform to varying standards.

## **Table Components**

	Demographic Summary: Intent-to-Treat Population						
	Demographic F	Parameter	Placebo (N=XXX)	Active (N=XXX)			
	Sex n (%)	XX	XX				
		Female	xx (xx.x)	xx (xx.x)	<b>layer</b> object		
		Male	xx (xx.x)	xx (xx.x)			
table 🚤		Missing	XX	xx			
object	Age (years)	n	XX	XX			
		Mean	XX.X	XX.X	<b>▶ layer</b> object		
		SD	XX.X	XX.X			
		Missing	XX	XX			

The output of **tplyr\_layer**() objects will be stacked to create the **tplyr\_table**() object.

# **Table Level Settings**

#### **TABLE FUNCTION**

**tplyr\_table**(target, treat\_var, where=TRUE, cols=vars()) - applies logic at the table level. *t <- tplyr\_table(adsl, TRT01P, where=SAFFL=='Y', cols=RACE)* 

Parameter	Description
target	dataset used to perform summaries
treat_var	variable used to distinguish treatment groups
where=	subset applied to table level
cols=	grouping variable(s) used to create columns on the display (Note: this is in addition to treat_var)

#### **ADDING TREATMENT GROUPS**

**add\_treat\_grps**(table, ...) – Create new treatment groups by combining existing treatment groups from the values within treat\_var. add\_treat\_grps(t, 'Treated'=c("High", "Low"))

add\_total\_group(table, group\_name="Total") - Abstraction of add\_treat\_grps() to create a group for total. add\_total\_group(t)

# varying standards.

# **ADDING A POPULATION DATASET**If target does not include the entire

If target does not include the entire necessary population, the **population functions** can provide population information.

**set\_pop\_data**(table, pop\_data) - Specifies a population dataset. *set\_pop\_data(t, adsl)* 

**set\_pop\_treat\_var**(table, pop\_treat\_var) - Specifies a treatment variable from the population dataset. If not called, uses treat\_var from tplyr\_table(). set\_pop\_treat\_var(t, TRT01A)

**set\_pop\_where**(obj, where) - Specifies a population subset. If not called, uses where= from tplyr\_table(). set\_pop\_where(t, SAFFL=="Y")

# Building the Table

#### **ADDING LAYERS TO A TABLE**

add\_layer(parent, layer, name=NULL) Constructs the layer
within the call to the function.
add layer(t, group count(SEX, by="Sex n (%)"))

Parameter	Description
parent	the tplyr_table() object
layer	contains the group_type() function call and any modifier functions to create the layer
name=	specifies the layers name within the tplyr_table() object's layer container

**add\_layers**(parent, ...) Attaches layers that have already been constructed. *add\_layers*(*t*, *l*1, *l*2)

Parameter	Description
parent	the tplyr_table() object
	specifies the layer objects that will be
•••	attached to the tplyr_table() object

#### PROCESSING THE DATA

Constructing a tplyr\_table() object or a tplyr\_layer() object constructs the metadata necessary to generate a table but does not process the actual data. To generate the data and perform the summaries use the **build**() function.

t %>% build()

### Layer Level Settings

**group\_<type>**(parent, target\_var, by=vars(), where=TRUE, ...) - family of functions used to create layers.

The types of layers are count, shift, and desc (descriptive statistics).

Parameter	Description
parent	the tplyr_table() object
target_var	variable(s) on which the summary is performed
by=	variable(s) or value(s) used as grouping variable(s) and represented as row label(s)
where=	subset applied to layer level (Note: this is in addition to any subset applied at the table level)

#### **COUNT LAYERS**

**group\_count**() - Specifies that a layer will be created to count occurrences and/or their proportions.

Sex n (%)	F	53 (61.6%)	group_count(t, SEX, by="Sex n (%)")
	М	33 (38.4%)	

When calculating **nested counts** use dplyr::vars() to specify 2 variables for target\_var.

SOC 1		21 (24.4%)	group_count(t, vars(AEBODSYS,AEDECOD))
	AE 1	13 (15.1%)	
	AE 2	8 (9.3%)	

#### **CALCULATING PERCENTAGES**

**set\_denoms\_by**(x, ...) - Specifies variable(s) to use to calculate percentages. If not called, uses treat\_var and cols= from tplyr\_table(). set\_denoms\_by(x, TRTA, PARAM, AVISIT)

**set\_denom\_ignore**(e, ...) - Specifies values of target\_var to exclude from percentage calculation. set\_denom\_ignore(e, "NA")

#### **DISTINCT VS EVENT COUNTS**

**set\_distinct\_by**(e, distinct\_by) - Specifies variable(s) to use to calculate distinct occurrences. *set\_distinct\_by*(e, *USUBJID*)

#### **ADDING A 'TOTAL' ROW**

Sex n (%)	F	53 (61.6%)
	М	33 (38.4%)
	Total	86 (100.0%)

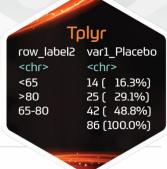
Sex n (%)	F	53 (61.6%)
	М	33 (38.4%)
	All	86 (100.0%)

add\_total\_row(e) - Adds a row with the
total count within by= from group\_<type>()
and treat\_var and cols= from tplyr\_table().
add\_total\_row(e)

**set\_total\_row\_label**(e, total\_row\_label) - Specifies a row label for the total row. If not called, default text will be "Total". set\_total\_row\_label(e, "All")



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#### **COUNT LAYERS (CONTINUED)**

#### **SETTING FORMATTING**

**set\_format\_strings()** and **f\_str()** are used to specify the occurrence and proportion variables and how they will be presented. The user uses x's to specify how the numbers will be displayed.

SOC 1	AE		21 (24.4%) [26] 13 (15.1%) [15]	<pre>set_format_strings(e, f_str('xx (xx.x%) [xx]', distinct, distinct_pct,n))</pre>
	AE	2	8 (9.3%) [11]	[xx] , distillet, distillet_pet,11//
Sex n (9	%)	F	53:61.6%	set_format_strings(e, f_str('xx : xx.x%',
		М	33:38.4%	n, pct))

#### MISSING COUNTS PRESENTATION

HIGH	12 (38.7%)
LOW	17 (54.8%)
MISSING	2

**set\_missing\_count**(e, f\_str, string="NA") - Sets the display of missing values. set\_missing\_count(t, f\_str('xx', n), string=c(MISSING="NA")

#### **SHIFT LAYERS**

**group\_shift**() - Specifies a shift layer will be created to count occurrences and their proportions from one state to another.

group_shift(t, vars(row=BNRIN	Н	Ν	L		VISIT	PARAM	
column=ANRIND),	1	0	0	L	VISIT 1	PARAM 1	
by=vars(PARAM,AVISIT))							
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group\_shift() is largely an abstraction of a count layer. The function
can be used with set\_denoms\_by(), set\_format\_strings(), and
f\_str().

#### **DESCRIPTIVE STATISTICS LAYERS**

**group\_desc**() - Specifies a layer will be created to perform summaries on continuous variables.

Age (years)	n	86	
	Mean (SD)	75.2 (8.59)	
	Median	76.0	group_desc(t, AGE, by="Age
	Q1, Q3	69.2, 81.8	(years)"))
	Min, Max	52, 89	
	Missing	0	

#### **CUSTOM SUMMARIES**

Custom summaries allow any function to be used in a descriptive statistics layer.

**set\_custom\_summaries**(e, ...) – Allows user to define custom summaries that will be performed in dplyr::summarize. Use .var as the variable name being summarized.

set\_custom\_summaries(geo\_mean=exp(sum(log(.var[.var>0]),na.rm= TRUE/length(.var)))(e)



#### **BUILT-IN SUMMARIES**

Description	Variable Name
N	n
Mean	mean
Standard Deviation	sd
Median	median
Variance	variance
Minimum	min
Maximum	max
Interquartile Range	iqr
Q1	q1
Q3	q3
Missing	missing

#### FORMATTING AND PERFORMING SUMMARIES

**set\_format\_strings()** and **f\_str()** are used to specify the summaries that will be performed and how they will be presented.

•		set_format_strings(e,		
n	86	"n" = $f_str("xx", n)$ ,		
Mean (SD)	75.21 (8.590)	"Mean (SD)" = f_str("xx.xx, (xx.xxx)",		
Q1	69.2	mean, sd)		
Q3	81.8	"Q1" = $f_str(xx.x, q1)$		
		"Q3" = $f_str(xx.x, q3)$ )		

- On the left side of the equal sign the user inputs text that becomes the row label.
- On the right side the user uses x's to specify how the numbers will be displayed and lists the descriptive statistic summaries that will be performed.

The empty parameter of **f\_str()** specifies what to display if an element or elements in a cell produced NA values.

#### **AUTO PRECISION**

**Auto precision** is used to format numeric summaries based on the precision of the data collected.

set\_format\_strings(
'Mean (SD)'=f\_str('a.a+1 (a.a+2)',mean,sd), cap=c(int=3,dec=2))

- Use a instead of x (only 1 a is needed on each side of the decimal)
- Use a+n where n is the number of additional spaces you wish to add
- Use the cap parameter to cap the length allotted for integers and decimals

### Sorting

Ordering helpers are columns added into 'Tplyr' tables.

#### **SORTING THE LAYERS**

Layers are indexed using the variable **ord\_layer\_index** by the order in which they were added to the table using add\_layer() or add\_layers().

#### **SORTING THE BY VARIABLES**

Each by variable gets an ord\_layer\_<n> column. The order variables will calculate based on the first applicable method:

- Use a matching variable name suffixed by N from the dataset if available (i.e. RACE and RACEN)
- Use factor levels if variable is a factor
- Use alphanumeric sorting of variable values

#### **SORTING DESCRIPTIVE STATISTICS LAYER RESULTS**

Descriptive statistics layers get an ord\_layer\_<n> column based on the order in which the f\_str() objects are created through set\_format\_strings()

#### **SORTING COUNT LAYER RESULTS**

Count layers get an ord\_layer\_<n> column based on the sort method specified in **set\_order\_count\_method()**.

**set\_order\_count\_method**("byfactor") - Use factor levels. If variable is not a factor, alphanumeric sorting will be used. This is the default method and set\_order\_count\_method() does not need to be called.

**set\_order\_count\_method**("byvarn") - Use a matching variable name suffixed by *N* from the dataset if available (i.e. RACE and RACE*N*)

**set\_order\_count\_method**("bycount") – Sort based on counts in a particular column. Requires the use of additional helper functions:

- set\_ordering\_cols(e, ...) Specifies the treat\_var and cols= value(s) from tplyr\_table() to determine the column from which the ordering should be based. set ordering cols("High","WHITE")
- set\_result\_order\_var(e, result\_order\_var) Specifies the
  occurrence or proportion variable on which the ordering should
  be based. set\_result\_order\_var(n)

## One More Thing

To get the **underlying raw calculations** the following function is used instead of build().

**get\_numeric\_data**(x, layer=NULL, where=TRUE, ...) – Provides access to the un-formatted numeric data for each layer. get\_numeric\_data(t)