Trouble converting dataframe to json

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I have the following dataframe:









```
2023-06-30
                                                                     2022-06-30
               2020-06-30
2021-06-30
                                                                   7464000000.0
Ordinary Shares Number
                                                   7432000000.0
7519000000.0 7571000000.0
Share Issued
                                                   7432000000.0
                                                                   7464000000.0
7519000000.0 7571000000.0
Net Debt
                                                  12533000000.0
                                                                  35850000000.0
43922000000.0 49751000000.0
Total Debt
                                                  59965000000.0 61270000000.0
67775000000.0 70998000000.0
Tangible Book Value
                                                 128971000000.0 87720000000.0
84477000000.0 67915000000.0
. . .
Cash Cash Equivalents And Short Term Investments 111262000000.0 104757000000.0
130334000000.0 136527000000.0
Other Short Term Investments
                                                  76558000000.0
                                                                 90826000000.0
116110000000.0 122951000000.0
Cash And Cash Equivalents
                                                  34704000000.0
                                                                 13931000000.0
14224000000.0 13576000000.0
Cash Equivalents
                                                  26226000000.0
                                                                   5673000000.0
6952000000.0
                        NaN
Cash Financial
                                                   8478000000.0
                                                                   8258000000.0
7272000000.0
                        NaN
[73 rows x 4 columns]
```

And I am trying to convert it to json in the following format:

```
{
    "2023-06-30": {
        "Ordinary Shares Number": "7432000000.0",
        ...
},
    "2022-06-30": {
        "Ordinary Shares Number": "7464000000.0",
        ...
},
    "2021-06-30": {
        "Ordinary Shares Number": "75190000000.0",
        ...
},
    "2020-06-30": {
        "Ordinary Shares Number": "75710000000.0",
        ...
},
    "2021-06-30": {
        "Ordinary Shares Number": "75710000000.0",
        ...
}
```

However my attempts to convert it have ranged from bad to worse so I really have no idea what I'm doing.

My attempts are either giving my a very undesirable json format or a type error about the timestamps:

For example:

```
out = json.dumps({c: dict(zip(balance.index, balance[c])) for c in balance.columns},
indent=4)
print(out)
```

Results in:

```
Traceback (most recent call last):
 File "/usr/lib/python3.8/runpy.py", line 194, in run module as main
   return _run_code(code, main_globals, None,
 File "/usr/lib/python3.8/runpy.py", line 87, in _run_code
   exec(code, run_globals)
 File "/home/jesse_b/tools/stonk-db/stonkdb/__main__.py", line 39, in <module>
 File "/home/jesse_b/tools/stonk-db/stonkdb/__main__.py", line 32, in main
   out = json.dumps({c: dict(zip(balance.index, balance[c])) for c in
balance.columns}, indent=4)
 File "/usr/lib/python3.8/json/__init__.py", line 234, in dumps
   return cls(
 File "/usr/lib/python3.8/json/encoder.py", line 201, in encode
   chunks = list(chunks)
 File "/usr/lib/python3.8/json/encoder.py", line 431, in _iterencode
   yield from _iterencode_dict(o, _current_indent_level)
 File "/usr/lib/python3.8/json/encoder.py", line 376, in _iterencode_dict
    raise TypeError(f'keys must be str, int, float, bool or None, '
TypeError: keys must be str, int, float, bool or None, not Timestamp
```

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You can use dict-comprehension:

dataframe

import json

convert the columns to string before (if needed)
df.columns = df.columns.astype(str)

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             out = json.dumps({c: dict(zip(df.index, df[c])) for c in df.columns}, indent=4)
             print(out)
           Prints:
             {
                 "2023-06-30": {
                      "Ordinary Shares Number": 7432000000.0,
```

```
"Share Issued": 7432000000.0,
        "Net Debt": 12533000000.0,
        "Total Debt": 59965000000.0,
        "Tangible Book Value": 128971000000.0,
        "Cash Cash Equivalents And Short Term Investments": 111262000000.0,
        "Other Short Term Investments": 76558000000.0,
        "Cash And Cash Equivalents": 34704000000.0,
        "Cash Equivalents": 26226000000.0,
        "Cash Financial": 8478000000.0
    },
    "2022-06-30": {
        "Ordinary Shares Number": 7464000000.0,
        "Share Issued": 7464000000.0,
        "Net Debt": 35850000000.0,
        "Total Debt": 61270000000.0,
        "Tangible Book Value": 87720000000.0,
        "Cash Cash Equivalents And Short Term Investments": 104757000000.0,
        "Other Short Term Investments": 90826000000.0,
        "Cash And Cash Equivalents": 13931000000.0,
        "Cash Equivalents": 5673000000.0,
        "Cash Financial": 8258000000.0
    "2021-06-30": {
        "Ordinary Shares Number": 7519000000.0,
        "Share Issued": 7519000000.0,
        "Net Debt": 43922000000.0,
        "Total Debt": 67775000000.0,
        "Tangible Book Value": 84477000000.0,
        "Cash Cash Equivalents And Short Term Investments": 130334000000.0,
        "Other Short Term Investments": 116110000000.0,
        "Cash And Cash Equivalents": 14224000000.0,
        "Cash Equivalents": 6952000000.0,
        "Cash Financial": 7272000000.0
    "2020-06-30": {
        "Ordinary Shares Number": 7571000000.0,
        "Share Issued": 7571000000.0,
        "Net Debt": 49751000000.0,
        "Total Debt": 70998000000.0,
        "Tangible Book Value": 67915000000.0,
        "Cash Cash Equivalents And Short Term Investments": 136527000000.0,
        "Other Short Term Investments": 122951000000.0,
        "Cash And Cash Equivalents": 13576000000.0,
        "Cash Equivalents": NaN,
        "Cash Financial": NaN
    }
}
```

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```
Thanks, I hadn't tried that but it is giving me the same error that a few of my attempts did which is:

TypeError: keys must be str, int, float, bool or None, not Timestamp – jesse_b Dec 31, 2023 at 23:55

@jesse_b You can convert the row with timestamp to string before converting to Json, e.g. df.loc["Timestamp Row"] = df.loc["Timestamp Row", :].astype(str) – Andrej Kesely Dec 31, 2023 at 23:57

apologies as I'm sure I'm missing something that is obvious to most but I'm pretty new to python. Getting this: File "/home/jesse_b/.local/lib/python3.8/site-packages/pandas/core/indexes/base.py", line 3655, in get_loc raise KeyError(key) from err; KeyError: 'Timestamp Row' – jesse_b Dec 31, 2023 at 23:59 
@jesse_b Or try to convert the columns to string: df.columns = df.columns.astype(str) – Andrej Kesely Jan 1 at 0:00

That did it! Thank you so much. You're a gentleman, a scholar, and a breeder of fine horses. – jesse_b Jan 1 at 0:01
```



We can achieve the same JSON structure by just setting the first column as the index of the DataFrame and then converting it to JSON using df.to_json(orient='columns'). In the 'columns' orientation, the JSON takes the shape where each column in the DataFrame becomes a key, and the corresponding values are stored in an array under that key.

```
import pandas as pd
import json
```



```
df.set_index(df.columns[0], inplace=True)
result = df.to_json(orient='columns')

parsed = json.loads(result)
print(json.dumps(parsed, indent=4))
```

Prints

```
{
   "2023-06-30": {
      "Ordinary Shares Number": 7432000000.0,
      "Share Issued": 7432000000.0,
      "Net Debt": 12533000000.0,
      "Total Debt": 59965000000.0,
      "Tangible Book Value": 129000000000.0,
      "Cash Cash Equivalents": 111000000000.0,
      "Other Short Term Investme": 76558000000.0,
      "Cash And Cash Equivalents": 34704000000.0,
      "Cash Equivalents": 26226000000.0,
      "Cash Financial": 8478000000.0
},
   "2022-06-30": {
```

```
"Ordinary Shares Number": 7464000000.0,
        "Share Issued": 7464000000.0,
        "Net Debt": 35850000000.0,
        "Total Debt": 61270000000.0,
        "Tangible Book Value": 87720000000.0,
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        "Cash And Cash Equivalents": 13931000000.0,
        "Cash Equivalents": 5673000000.0,
        "Cash Financial": 8258000000.0
    },
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        "Ordinary Shares Number": 7519000000.0,
        "Share Issued": 7519000000.0,
        "Net Debt": 43922000000.0,
        "Total Debt": 67775000000.0,
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        "Cash Cash Equivalents": 130000000000.0,
        "Other Short Term Investme": 116000000000.0,
        "Cash And Cash Equivalents": 14224000000.0,
        "Cash Equivalents": 6952000000.0,
        "Cash Financial": 7272000000.0
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        "Share Issued": 7571000000.0,
        "Net Debt": 49751000000.0,
        "Total Debt": 70998000000.0,
        "Tangible Book Value": 67915000000.0,
        "Cash Cash Equivalents": 137000000000.0,
        "Other Short Term Investme": 123000000000.0,
        "Cash And Cash Equivalents": 13576000000.0,
        "Cash Equivalents": null,
        "Cash Financial": null
    }
}
```

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