

STAT 118: Notes B

Wrangling data with dplyr:: filter, select, arrange



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Importing Data

In this class, we are going to be working with a dataset relating to the languages spoken at home by Canadian residents. Many Indigenous peoples exist in Canada with their own languages and cultures. Sadly, colonization has led to the loss of many of these languages. This data is a subset of data collected during the 2016 census.

What is a .csv file?

How do we import it into R?

Use `read.csv()`! Note that your data file (.csv) needs to be saved in the same folder as your notes template document (.qmd).

```
can_lang <- read.csv("can_lang.csv")
```

Alternatively, you can download it directly from the internet. Github user `ttimbers` hosts this file to share with the public at the link: https://raw.githubusercontent.com/ttimbers/canlang/master/inst/extdata/can_lang.csv

```
can_lang <- read.csv("https://raw.githubusercontent.com/ttimbers/canlang/master/inst/extda
```

Let's take a look at this data for a minute to see what information has been recorded.

```
head(can_lang)
```

	category			language
1	Aboriginal languages			Aboriginal languages, n.o.s.
2	Non-Official & Non-Aboriginal languages			Afrikaans
3	Non-Official & Non-Aboriginal languages			Afro-Asiatic languages, n.i.e.
4	Non-Official & Non-Aboriginal languages			Akan (Twi)
5	Non-Official & Non-Aboriginal languages			Albanian
6	Aboriginal languages			Algonquian languages, n.i.e.
	mother_tongue	most_at_home	most_at_work	lang_known
1	590	235	30	665
2	10260	4785	85	23415
3	1150	445	10	2775
4	13460	5985	25	22150
5	26895	13135	345	31930
6	45	10	0	120

Installing and Using Packages

Sometimes everything we need (data, functions, etc) are not available in base R. In R, expert users will package up useful things like data and functions into packages that be download and used.

First, you need to download the package from the right hand menu -> You only need to do this once.

In each new .Rmd document, you need to call any packages you want to use but adding the code `library(packagename)` inside an R chunk.

For example, in this class we will use the `tidyverse` package a lot.

```
library(tidyverse)
```

dplyr

There are actually many commonly used packages wrapped up inside one `tidyverse` package.

Today we are specifically going to be talking about the package `dplyr` which is useful to manipulating data sets.

filter

We can use the `filter` function to extract *rows* from the data that have a particular characteristic.

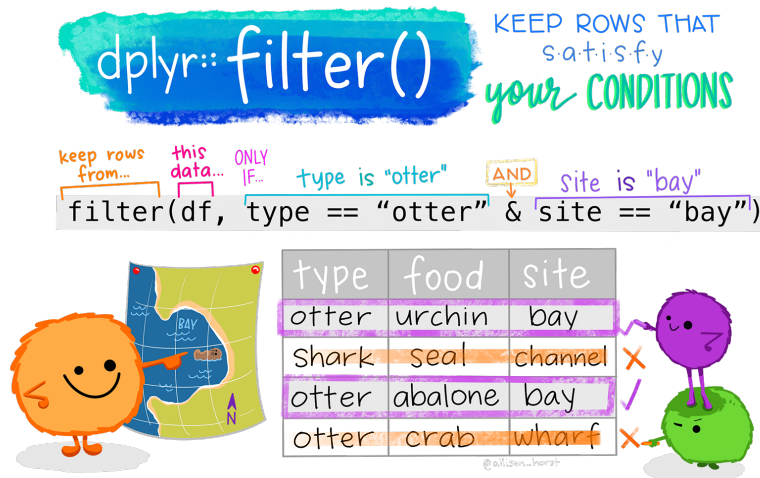


Figure 1: Artwork by @allisonhorst

For example, we may be interested in only looking at only the languages in this dataset that are Aboriginal languages.

Start with the `can_lang` dataset, the pipe “`%>%`” means apply the action on the following line to the previous line. In this case, pick out only the rows where the category variable is “Aboriginal languages”

```
can_lang %>%  
  filter(category == "Aboriginal languages")
```

	category	language	mother_tongue	most_at_home
1	Aboriginal languages	Aboriginal languages, n.o.s.	590	235
2	Aboriginal languages	Algonquian languages, n.i.e.	45	10
3	Aboriginal languages	Algonquin	1260	370
4	Aboriginal languages	Athabaskan languages, n.i.e.	50	10
5	Aboriginal languages	Atikamekw	6150	5465
6	Aboriginal languages	Babine (Wetsuwet'en)	110	20
7	Aboriginal languages	Beaver	190	50
8	Aboriginal languages	Blackfoot	2815	1110
9	Aboriginal languages	Carrier	1025	250

10	Aboriginal languages	Cayuga	45	10
11	Aboriginal languages	Chilcotin	655	255
12	Aboriginal languages	Comox	85	0
13	Aboriginal languages	Cree, n.o.s.	64050	37950
14	Aboriginal languages	Dakota	1210	255
15	Aboriginal languages	Dene	10700	7710
16	Aboriginal languages	Dogrib (Tlicho)	1650	1020
17	Aboriginal languages	Gitxsan (Gitksan)	880	315
18	Aboriginal languages	Gwich'in	255	50
19	Aboriginal languages	Haida	80	10
20	Aboriginal languages	Haisla	90	20
21	Aboriginal languages	Halkomelem	480	50
22	Aboriginal languages	Heiltsuk	100	5
23	Aboriginal languages	Inuinnaqtun (Inuvialuktun)	1020	165
24	Aboriginal languages	Inuit languages, n.i.e.	310	90
25	Aboriginal languages	Inuktitut	35210	29230
26	Aboriginal languages	Iroquoian languages, n.i.e.	35	5
27	Aboriginal languages	Kaska (Nahani)	180	20
28	Aboriginal languages	Kutenai	110	10
29	Aboriginal languages	Kwakiutl (Kwak'wala)	325	25
30	Aboriginal languages	Lillooet	315	25
31	Aboriginal languages	Malecite	300	55
32	Aboriginal languages	Mi'kmaq	6690	3565
33	Aboriginal languages	Michif	465	80
34	Aboriginal languages	Mohawk	985	255
35	Aboriginal languages	Montagnais (Innu)	10235	8585
36	Aboriginal languages	Moose Cree	105	10
37	Aboriginal languages	Naskapi	1205	1195
38	Aboriginal languages	Nisga'a	400	75
39	Aboriginal languages	North Slavey (Hare)	765	340
40	Aboriginal languages	Northern East Cree	315	110
41	Aboriginal languages	Northern Tutchone	220	30
42	Aboriginal languages	Nuu-chah-nulth (Nootka)	280	30
43	Aboriginal languages	Oji-Cree	12855	7905
44	Aboriginal languages	Ojibway	17885	6175
45	Aboriginal languages	Okanagan	275	80
46	Aboriginal languages	Oneida	60	15
47	Aboriginal languages	Ottawa (Odawa)	150	75
48	Aboriginal languages	Plains Cree	3065	1345
49	Aboriginal languages	Salish languages, n.i.e.	260	25
50	Aboriginal languages	Sarsi (Sarcee)	80	10
51	Aboriginal languages	Sekani	85	15
52	Aboriginal languages	Shuswap (Secwepemctsin)	445	50

53	Aboriginal languages	Siouan languages, n.i.e.	55	20
54	Aboriginal languages	Slavey, n.o.s.	280	105
55	Aboriginal languages	South Slavey	945	370
56	Aboriginal languages	Southern East Cree	45	15
57	Aboriginal languages	Southern Tutchone	70	5
58	Aboriginal languages	Squamish	40	5
59	Aboriginal languages	Stoney	3025	1950
60	Aboriginal languages	Straits	80	25
61	Aboriginal languages	Swampy Cree	1440	330
62	Aboriginal languages	Tahltan	95	5
63	Aboriginal languages	Thompson (Ntlakapamux)	335	20
64	Aboriginal languages	Tlingit	95	0
65	Aboriginal languages	Tsimshian	200	30
66	Aboriginal languages	Wakashan languages, n.i.e.	10	0
67	Aboriginal languages	Woods Cree	1840	800
most_at_work lang_known				
1	30	665		
2	0	120		
3	40	2480		
4	0	85		
5	1100	6645		
6	10	210		
7	0	340		
8	85	5645		
9	15	2100		
10	10	125		
11	15	1150		
12	0	185		
13	7800	86115		
14	20	1760		
15	770	13060		
16	165	2375		
17	10	1305		
18	10	360		
19	0	465		
20	0	175		
21	20	1060		
22	10	125		
23	30	1975		
24	15	470		
25	8795	40620		
26	0	115		
27	10	365		

28	0	170
29	15	605
30	15	790
31	10	760
32	915	9025
33	10	1210
34	30	2415
35	2055	11445
36	0	195
37	370	1465
38	10	1055
39	95	1005
40	35	550
41	0	280
42	10	560
43	1080	15605
44	765	28580
45	20	820
46	0	185
47	0	205
48	95	5905
49	0	560
50	0	145
51	0	185
52	35	1305
53	0	140
54	10	675
55	35	1365
56	0	40
57	0	145
58	10	285
59	240	3675
60	15	365
61	10	2350
62	0	265
63	0	450
64	10	260
65	10	410
66	0	25
67	75	2665

Some notes:

- the aboriginal languages is text/categorical and so quotation marks are needed.
- R doesn't care about whether they are double quotation marks (") or single ('). They work the same.
- If we don't assign it to an object, then it just prints out for us to see!

Oftentimes, we want to take our subset and give it a new name. This takes our subset and assigns it to a new dataset called `aboriginal_lang`.

```
aboriginal_lang <- can_lang %>%
  filter(category == "Aboriginal languages")
```

Notes:

- Notice if you assign it to an object that it doesn't print out the contents.
- You'll see the new object in your environment on the top right —>
- If you click on the word `aboriginal languages` (not the blue play button) it will open the object so you can see what is saved inside.

It can also be used with numeric criteria.

Suppose we want a list of all the languages in Canada that are spoken by less than 100 people as their mother tongue.

```
rare_lang <- can_lang %>%
  filter(mother_tongue < 100)
```

The logical operators are given below:

Operator	Description
<	Less than
>	Greater than
<=	Less than or equal to
>=	Greater than or equal to
==	Equal to
!=	Not equal to
!x	Not x
x y	x OR y
x & y	x AND y

select

`select` is used to extract only certain *columns*. For example, perhaps we only want to print out a list names of the aboriginal languages (language column).

```
aboriginal_lang %>%  
  select(language)
```

```
      language  
1  Aboriginal languages, n.o.s.  
2  Algonquian languages, n.i.e.  
3      Algonquin  
4  Athabaskan languages, n.i.e.  
5      Atikamekw  
6      Babine (Wetsuwet'en)  
7      Beaver  
8      Blackfoot  
9      Carrier  
10     Cayuga  
11     Chilcotin  
12     Comox  
13     Cree, n.o.s.  
14     Dakota  
15     Dene  
16     Dogrib (Tlicho)  
17     Gitxsan (Gitksan)  
18     Gwich'in  
19     Haida  
20     Haisla  
21     Halkomelem  
22     Heiltsuk  
23  Inuinnaqtun (Inuvialuktun)  
24     Inuit languages, n.i.e.  
25     Inuktitut  
26  Iroquoian languages, n.i.e.  
27     Kaska (Nahani)  
28     Kutenai  
29     Kwakiutl (Kwak'wala)  
30     Lillooet  
31     Malecite  
32     Mi'kmaq  
33     Michif
```


34		Mohawk
35	Montagnais (Innu)	
36	Moose Cree	
37	Naskapi	
38	Nisga'a	
39	North Slavey (Hare)	
40	Northern East Cree	
41	Northern Tutchone	
42	Nuu-chah-nulth (Nootka)	
43	Oji-Cree	
44	Ojibway	
45	Okanagan	
46	Oneida	
47	Ottawa (Odawa)	
48	Plains Cree	
49	Salish languages, n.i.e.	
50	Sarsi (Sarcee)	
51	Sekani	
52	Shuswap (Secwepemctsin)	
53	Siouan languages, n.i.e.	
54	Slavey, n.o.s.	
55	South Slavey	
56	Southern East Cree	
57	Southern Tutchone	
58	Squamish	
59	Stoney	
60	Straits	
61	Swampy Cree	
62	Tahltan	
63	Thompson (Ntlakapamux)	
64	Tlingit	
65	Tsimshian	
66	Wakashan languages, n.i.e.	
67	Woods Cree	

We can combine criteria together as well in one command with multiple pipes:

```
can_lang %>%
  filter(category == "Aboriginal languages") %>%
  select(language)
```

language

1 Aboriginal languages, n.o.s.
2 Algonquian languages, n.i.e.
3 Algonquin
4 Athabaskan languages, n.i.e.
5 Atikamekw
6 Babine (Wetsuwet'en)
7 Beaver
8 Blackfoot
9 Carrier
10 Cayuga
11 Chilcotin
12 Comox
13 Cree, n.o.s.
14 Dakota
15 Dene
16 Dogrib (Tlicho)
17 Gitxsan (Gitksan)
18 Gwich'in
19 Haida
20 Haisla
21 Halkomelem
22 Heiltsuk
23 Inuinnaqtun (Inuvialuktun)
24 Inuit languages, n.i.e.
25 Inuktitut
26 Iroquoian languages, n.i.e.
27 Kaska (Nahani)
28 Kutenai
29 Kwakiutl (Kwak'wala)
30 Lillooet
31 Malecite
32 Mi'kmaq
33 Michif
34 Mohawk
35 Montagnais (Innu)
36 Moose Cree
37 Naskapi
38 Nisga'a
39 North Slavey (Hare)
40 Northern East Cree
41 Northern Tutchone
42 Nuu-chah-nulth (Nootka)
43 Oji-Cree

```

44             Ojibway
45             Okanagan
46             Oneida
47             Ottawa (Odawa)
48             Plains Cree
49     Salish languages, n.i.e.
50             Sarsi (Sarcee)
51             Sekani
52     Shuswap (Secwepemctsin)
53     Siouan languages, n.i.e.
54             Slavey, n.o.s.
55             South Slavey
56     Southern East Cree
57     Southern Tutchone
58             Squamish
59             Stoney
60             Straits
61             Swampy Cree
62             Tahltan
63     Thompson (Ntlakapamux)
64             Tlingit
65             Tsimshian
66     Wakashan languages, n.i.e.
67             Woods Cree

```

arrange

The `arrange` function allows us to order the rows of the data frame by the values of a particular column.

For example, arrange all the aboriginal languages in canada by from most to least spoken as mother tongue.

```

aboriginal_lang %>%
  arrange(desc(mother_tongue))

```

	category	language	mother_tongue	most_at_home
1	Aboriginal languages	Cree, n.o.s.	64050	37950
2	Aboriginal languages	Inuktitut	35210	29230
3	Aboriginal languages	Ojibway	17885	6175
4	Aboriginal languages	Oji-Cree	12855	7905

5	Aboriginal languages	Dene	10700	7710
6	Aboriginal languages	Montagnais (Innu)	10235	8585
7	Aboriginal languages	Mi'kmaq	6690	3565
8	Aboriginal languages	Atikamekw	6150	5465
9	Aboriginal languages	Plains Cree	3065	1345
10	Aboriginal languages	Stoney	3025	1950
11	Aboriginal languages	Blackfoot	2815	1110
12	Aboriginal languages	Woods Cree	1840	800
13	Aboriginal languages	Dogrib (Tlicho)	1650	1020
14	Aboriginal languages	Swampy Cree	1440	330
15	Aboriginal languages	Algonquin	1260	370
16	Aboriginal languages	Dakota	1210	255
17	Aboriginal languages	Naskapi	1205	1195
18	Aboriginal languages	Carrier	1025	250
19	Aboriginal languages	Inuinnaqtun (Inuvialuktun)	1020	165
20	Aboriginal languages	Mohawk	985	255
21	Aboriginal languages	South Slavey	945	370
22	Aboriginal languages	Gitxsan (Gitksan)	880	315
23	Aboriginal languages	North Slavey (Hare)	765	340
24	Aboriginal languages	Chilcotin	655	255
25	Aboriginal languages	Aboriginal languages, n.o.s.	590	235
26	Aboriginal languages	Halkomelem	480	50
27	Aboriginal languages	Michif	465	80
28	Aboriginal languages	Shuswap (Secwepemctsin)	445	50
29	Aboriginal languages	Nisga'a	400	75
30	Aboriginal languages	Thompson (Ntlakapamux)	335	20
31	Aboriginal languages	Kwakiutl (Kwak'wala)	325	25
32	Aboriginal languages	Lillooet	315	25
33	Aboriginal languages	Northern East Cree	315	110
34	Aboriginal languages	Inuit languages, n.i.e.	310	90
35	Aboriginal languages	Malecite	300	55
36	Aboriginal languages	Nuu-chah-nulth (Nootka)	280	30
37	Aboriginal languages	Slavey, n.o.s.	280	105
38	Aboriginal languages	Okanagan	275	80
39	Aboriginal languages	Salish languages, n.i.e.	260	25
40	Aboriginal languages	Gwich'in	255	50
41	Aboriginal languages	Northern Tutchone	220	30
42	Aboriginal languages	Tsimshian	200	30
43	Aboriginal languages	Beaver	190	50
44	Aboriginal languages	Kaska (Nahani)	180	20
45	Aboriginal languages	Ottawa (Odawa)	150	75
46	Aboriginal languages	Babine (Wetsuwet'en)	110	20
47	Aboriginal languages	Kutenai	110	10

48	Aboriginal languages	Moose Cree	105	10
49	Aboriginal languages	Heiltsuk	100	5
50	Aboriginal languages	Tahltan	95	5
51	Aboriginal languages	Tlingit	95	0
52	Aboriginal languages	Haisla	90	20
53	Aboriginal languages	Comox	85	0
54	Aboriginal languages	Sekani	85	15
55	Aboriginal languages	Haida	80	10
56	Aboriginal languages	Sarsi (Sarcee)	80	10
57	Aboriginal languages	Straits	80	25
58	Aboriginal languages	Southern Tutchone	70	5
59	Aboriginal languages	Oneida	60	15
60	Aboriginal languages	Siouan languages, n.i.e.	55	20
61	Aboriginal languages	Athabaskan languages, n.i.e.	50	10
62	Aboriginal languages	Algonquian languages, n.i.e.	45	10
63	Aboriginal languages	Cayuga	45	10
64	Aboriginal languages	Southern East Cree	45	15
65	Aboriginal languages	Squamish	40	5
66	Aboriginal languages	Iroquoian languages, n.i.e.	35	5
67	Aboriginal languages	Wakashan languages, n.i.e.	10	0
most_at_work lang_known				
1	7800	86115		
2	8795	40620		
3	765	28580		
4	1080	15605		
5	770	13060		
6	2055	11445		
7	915	9025		
8	1100	6645		
9	95	5905		
10	240	3675		
11	85	5645		
12	75	2665		
13	165	2375		
14	10	2350		
15	40	2480		
16	20	1760		
17	370	1465		
18	15	2100		
19	30	1975		
20	30	2415		
21	35	1365		
22	10	1305		

23	95	1005
24	15	1150
25	30	665
26	20	1060
27	10	1210
28	35	1305
29	10	1055
30	0	450
31	15	605
32	15	790
33	35	550
34	15	470
35	10	760
36	10	560
37	10	675
38	20	820
39	0	560
40	10	360
41	0	280
42	10	410
43	0	340
44	10	365
45	0	205
46	10	210
47	0	170
48	0	195
49	10	125
50	0	265
51	10	260
52	0	175
53	0	185
54	0	185
55	0	465
56	0	145
57	15	365
58	0	145
59	0	185
60	0	140
61	0	85
62	0	120
63	10	125
64	0	40
65	10	285

66	0	115
67	0	25

Note:

- use `arrange(variable)` to go from least to most
- use `arrange(desc(variable))` to go from most to least, `arrange(-variable)` also works

slice

The slice function will allow us to pick only a subset of the rows based on their numeric order (1st through last).

For example, if I want a list of the 10 most commonly spoken aboriginal languages.

```

aboriginal_lang %>%
  arrange(desc(mother_tongue)) %>%
  slice(1:10) %>%
  select(language, mother_tongue) #optional

```

	language	mother_tongue
1	Cree, n.o.s.	64050
2	Inuktitut	35210
3	Ojibway	17885
4	Oji-Cree	12855
5	Dene	10700
6	Montagnais (Innu)	10235
7	Mi'kmaq	6690
8	Atikamekw	6150
9	Plains Cree	3065
10	Stoney	3025

Brain Break

Students at Allison Bernard Memorial High School in Eskasoni, Cape Breton recorded Paul McCartney's Blackbird in their native Mi'kmaq language. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=99-LoEkAA3w>