

# Intro to R

## Manipulating Data in R

Introduction to R for Public Health Researchers

# Reshaping Data

In this module, we will show you how to:

1. Reshape data from wide (fat) to long (tall)
2. Reshape data from long (tall) to wide (fat)
3. Merge Data/Joins
4. Perform operations by a grouping variable

# What is wide/long data?

Data is stored *differently* in the tibble.

Wide: has many columns

```
# A tibble: 1 x 4
  State    June_vacc_rate May_vacc_rate April_vacc_rate
  <chr>    <chr>           <chr>         <chr>
1 Alabama 37.2%           36.0%         32.4%
```

Long: column names become data

```
# A tibble: 3 x 3
  State    name          value
  <chr>    <chr>         <chr>
1 Alabama June_vacc_rate 37.2%
2 Alabama May_vacc_rate  36.0%
3 Alabama April_vacc_rate 32.4%
```

## What is wide/long data?

Wide: multiple columns per individual, values spread across multiple columns

```
# A tibble: 2 x 4
  State    June_vacc_rate May_vacc_rate April_vacc_rate
  <chr>    <chr>           <chr>         <chr>
1 Alabama 37.2%            36.0%         32.4%
2 Alaska 47.5%            46.2%         41.7%
```

Long: multiple rows per observation, a single column contains the values

```
# A tibble: 6 x 3
  State    name          value
  <chr>    <chr>          <chr>
1 Alabama June_vacc_rate 37.2%
2 Alabama May_vacc_rate  36.0%
3 Alabama April_vacc_rate 32.4%
4 Alaska  June_vacc_rate 47.5%
5 Alaska  May_vacc_rate  46.2%
6 Alaska  April_vacc_rate 41.7%
```

What is wide/long data?

Data is wide or long **with respect** to certain variables.

Wide

Long

	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3
Patient 1	A	B	C
Patient 2	D	E	F

	Day	Value
Patient 1	Day 1	A
Patient 1	Day 2	B
Patient 1	Day 3	C
Patient 2	Day 1	D
Patient 2	Day 2	E
Patient 2	Day 3	F

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# Why do we need to switch between wide/long data?

## Wide: Easier for humans to read

```
# A tibble: 2 x 4
  State      June_vacc_rate May_vacc_rate April_vacc_rate
  <chr>      <chr>          <chr>          <chr>
1 Alabama  37.2%            36.0%          32.4%
2 Alaska   47.5%            46.2%          41.7%
```

## Long: Easier for R to make plots & do analysis

```
# A tibble: 6 x 3
  State      name          value
  <chr>      <chr>          <chr>
1 Alabama  June_vacc_rate  37.2%
2 Alabama  May_vacc_rate   36.0%
3 Alabama  April_vacc_rate 32.4%
4 Alaska   June_vacc_rate  47.5%
5 Alaska   May_vacc_rate   46.2%
6 Alaska   April_vacc_rate 41.7%
```

## Data used: Charm City Circulator

[http://jhudatasience.org/intro\\_to\\_r/data/Charm\\_City\\_Circulator\\_Ridership.csv](http://jhudatasience.org/intro_to_r/data/Charm_City_Circulator_Ridership.csv)

```
circ = read_csv(  
  paste0("http://jhudatasience.org/intro_to_r/",  
        "data/Charm_City_Circulator_Ridership.csv"))  
head(circ, 5)
```

```
# A tibble: 5 x 15  
  day      date      orangeBoardings orangeAlightings orangeAverage purpleBoardin  
  <chr>    <chr>          <dbl>             <dbl>             <dbl>          <dbl>  
1 Monday  01/11/...         877             1027             952  
2 Tuesday 01/12/...         777             815             796  
3 Wednes... 01/13/...        1203            1220            1212.  
4 Thursd... 01/14/...        1194            1233            1214.  
5 Friday   01/15/...        1645            1643            1644  
# ... with 9 more variables: purpleAlightings <dbl>, purpleAverage <dbl>,  
#   greenBoardings <dbl>, greenAlightings <dbl>, greenAverage <dbl>,  
#   bannerBoardings <dbl>, bannerAlightings <dbl>, bannerAverage <dbl>,  
#   daily <dbl>
```

## tidyr package

`tidyr` allows you to “tidy” your data. We will be talking about:

- `pivot_longer` - make multiple columns into variables, (wide to long)
- `pivot_wider` - make a variable into multiple columns, (long to wide)
- `separate` - string into multiple columns
- `unite` - multiple columns into one string

The `reshape` command exists. It is a **confusing** function. Don't use it.



# Reshaping data from wide (fat) to long (tall): tidyr

`tidyr::pivot_longer` - puts column data into rows.

- First describe which columns we want to “pivot\_longer”
- `names_to` = gives a new name to the pivoted columns
- `values_to` = gives a new name to the values that used to be in those columns

```
long = circ %>%  
  pivot_longer(starts_with(c("orange", "purple", "green", "banner")),  
               names_to = "var", values_to = "number")  
long
```

```
# A tibble: 13,752 x 5  
  day    date      daily var                number  
  <chr>  <chr>    <dbl> <chr>                <dbl>  
1 Monday 01/11/2010    952 orangeBoardings      877  
2 Monday 01/11/2010    952 orangeAlightings    1027  
3 Monday 01/11/2010    952 orangeAverage        952  
4 Monday 01/11/2010    952 purpleBoardings      NA  
5 Monday 01/11/2010    952 purpleAlightings     NA  
6 Monday 01/11/2010    952 purpleAverage        NA  
7 Monday 01/11/2010    952 greenBoardings       NA  
8 Monday 01/11/2010    952 greenAlightings      NA  
9 Monday 01/11/2010    952 greenAverage         NA  
10 Monday 01/11/2010    952 bannerBoardings     NA  
# ... with 13,742 more rows
```

## Reshaping data from wide (fat) to long (tall): tidyr

We have many columns here, so we could instead use the `!` to say which columns we *don't* want to pivot.

```
long = circ %>% pivot_longer(!c(day, date, daily),  
                             names_to = "var", values_to = "number")  
long
```

```
# A tibble: 13,752 x 5  
   day    date    daily var          number  
   <chr> <chr>    <dbl> <chr>         <dbl>  
1 Monday 01/11/2010   952 orangeBoardings    877  
2 Monday 01/11/2010   952 orangeAlightings  1027  
3 Monday 01/11/2010   952 orangeAverage     952  
4 Monday 01/11/2010   952 purpleBoardings    NA  
5 Monday 01/11/2010   952 purpleAlightings    NA  
6 Monday 01/11/2010   952 purpleAverage       NA  
7 Monday 01/11/2010   952 greenBoardings     NA  
8 Monday 01/11/2010   952 greenAlightings     NA  
9 Monday 01/11/2010   952 greenAverage       NA  
10 Monday 01/11/2010   952 bannerBoardings    NA  
# ... with 13,742 more rows
```

# Reshaping data from wide (fat) to long (tall): tidyr

```
long %>% count(var)
```

```
# A tibble: 12 x 2
```

	var <chr>	n <int>
1	bannerAlightings	1146
2	bannerAverage	1146
3	bannerBoardings	1146
4	greenAlightings	1146
5	greenAverage	1146
6	greenBoardings	1146
7	orangeAlightings	1146
8	orangeAverage	1146
9	orangeBoardings	1146
10	purpleAlightings	1146
11	purpleAverage	1146
12	purpleBoardings	1146

## Making a separator

We will use `str_replace` from the `stringr` package to put `_` in the names

```
long = long %>% mutate(  
  var = str_replace(var, "Board", " _Board"),  
  var = str_replace(var, "Alight", " _Alight"),  
  var = str_replace(var, "Average", " _Average")  
)  
long
```

```
# A tibble: 13,752 x 5  
  day      date      daily var              number  
  <chr>   <chr>    <dbl> <chr>              <dbl>  
1 Monday 01/11/2010    952 orange _Boardings      877  
2 Monday 01/11/2010    952 orange _Alightings    1027  
3 Monday 01/11/2010    952 orange _Average        952  
4 Monday 01/11/2010    952 purple _Boardings      NA  
5 Monday 01/11/2010    952 purple _Alightings      NA  
6 Monday 01/11/2010    952 purple _Average         NA  
7 Monday 01/11/2010    952 green _Boardings        NA  
8 Monday 01/11/2010    952 green _Alightings        NA  
9 Monday 01/11/2010    952 green _Average           NA  
10 Monday 01/11/2010    952 banner _Boardings       NA  
# ... with 13,742 more rows
```

## Reshaping data from wide (fat) to long (tall): tidyr

Now each `var` is Boardings, Averages, or Alightings. We use `"into ="` to name the new columns and `"sep ="` to show where the separation should happen.

```
long =  
  long %>%  
    separate(var, into = c("line", "type"), sep = "_")  
long
```

```
# A tibble: 13,752 x 6  
  day    date      daily line    type      number  
  <chr> <chr>    <dbl> <chr> <chr>    <dbl>  
1 Monday 01/11/2010    952 orange Boardings    877  
2 Monday 01/11/2010    952 orange Alightings  1027  
3 Monday 01/11/2010    952 orange Average     952  
4 Monday 01/11/2010    952 purple Boardings     NA  
5 Monday 01/11/2010    952 purple Alightings     NA  
6 Monday 01/11/2010    952 purple Average     NA  
7 Monday 01/11/2010    952 green  Boardings     NA  
8 Monday 01/11/2010    952 green  Alightings     NA  
9 Monday 01/11/2010    952 green  Average     NA  
10 Monday 01/11/2010    952 banner Boardings     NA  
# ... with 13,742 more rows
```

## Re-uniting all the lines

If we had the opposite problem, we could use the `unite` function:

```
reunited = long %>%  
  unite(var, line, type, sep = "_")  
reunited
```

```
# A tibble: 13,752 x 5  
  day      date      daily var      number  
  <chr>   <chr>    <dbl> <chr>    <dbl>  
1 Monday 01/11/2010    952 orange_Boardings    877  
2 Monday 01/11/2010    952 orange_Alightings  1027  
3 Monday 01/11/2010    952 orange_Average     952  
4 Monday 01/11/2010    952 purple_Boardings    NA  
5 Monday 01/11/2010    952 purple_Alightings   NA  
6 Monday 01/11/2010    952 purple_Average     NA  
7 Monday 01/11/2010    952 green_Boardings    NA  
8 Monday 01/11/2010    952 green_Alightings   NA  
9 Monday 01/11/2010    952 green_Average     NA  
10 Monday 01/11/2010    952 banner_Boardings   NA  
# ... with 13,742 more rows
```

## Reshaping data from long (tall) to wide (fat): tidyr

In `tidyr`, the `pivot_wider` function spreads rows into columns. Now we have a long data set, but we want to separate the Average, Alightings and Boardings into different columns:

```
wide = long %>% pivot_wider(names_from = "type",  
                             values_from = "number")  
wide
```

```
# A tibble: 4,584 x 7  
   day      date      daily line   Boardings Alightings Average  
   <chr>   <chr>   <dbl> <chr>   <dbl>     <dbl>     <dbl>  
1 Monday 01/11/2010  952 orange    877      1027      952  
2 Monday 01/11/2010  952 purple     NA        NA        NA  
3 Monday 01/11/2010  952 green     NA        NA        NA  
4 Monday 01/11/2010  952 banner    NA        NA        NA  
5 Tuesday 01/12/2010  796 orange    777      815      796  
6 Tuesday 01/12/2010  796 purple     NA        NA        NA  
7 Tuesday 01/12/2010  796 green     NA        NA        NA  
8 Tuesday 01/12/2010  796 banner    NA        NA        NA  
9 Wednesday 01/13/2010 1212. orange   1203     1220    1212.  
10 Wednesday 01/13/2010 1212. purple     NA        NA        NA  
# ... with 4,574 more rows
```

# Lab Part 1

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## Joining in `dplyr`

- Merging/joining data sets together - usually on key variables, usually "id"
- `?join` - see different types of joining for `dplyr`
- `inner_join(x, y)` - only rows that match for `x` and `y` are kept
- `full_join(x, y)` - all rows of `x` and `y` are kept
- `left_join(x, y)` - all rows of `x` are kept even if not merged with `y`
- `right_join(x, y)` - all rows of `y` are kept even if not merged with `x`
- `anti_join(x, y)` - all rows from `x` not in `y` keeping just columns from `x`.

# Merging: Simple Data

base has baseline data for ids 1 to 10 and Age

```
base <- tibble(id = 1:10, Age = seq(55, 60, length=10))  
head(base, 2)
```

```
# A tibble: 2 x 2  
  id   Age  
  <int> <dbl>  
1     1  55  
2     2 55.6
```

visits has ids 2 to 11, 3 different visits, and an outcome

```
visits <- tibble(id = rep(2:11, 3), visit= rep(1:3, 10),  
                 Outcome = seq(10, 50, length=30))  
head(visits, 2)
```

```
# A tibble: 2 x 3  
  id visit Outcome  
  <int> <int>   <dbl>  
1     2     1     10  
2     3     2    11.4
```

# Inner Join

```
ij = inner_join(base, visits)
```

```
Joining, by = "id"
```

```
dim(ij)
```

```
[1] 27  4
```

```
head(ij)
```

```
# A tibble: 6 x 4
   id    Age visit Outcome
  <int> <dbl> <int>   <dbl>
1     2  55.6     1     10
2     2  55.6     2    23.8
3     2  55.6     3    37.6
4     3  56.1     2    11.4
5     3  56.1     3    25.2
6     3  56.1     1    39.0
```

# Left Join

```
lj = left_join(base, visits)
```

```
Joining, by = "id"
```

```
dim(lj)
```

```
[1] 28  4
```

```
head(lj)
```

```
# A tibble: 6 x 4
   id    Age visit Outcome
  <int> <dbl> <int>   <dbl>
1     1   55    NA      NA
2     2  55.6     1     10
3     2  55.6     2    23.8
4     2  55.6     3    37.6
5     3  56.1     2    11.4
6     3  56.1     3    25.2
```

# Install tidylog package to log outputs

```
# install.packages("tidylog")
library(tidylog)
left_join(base, visits)
```

Joining, by = "id"

left\_join: added 2 columns (visit, Outcome)

```
> rows only in x      1
```

```
> rows only in y    ( 3)
```

```
> matched rows      27      (includes duplicates)
```

```
>                      =====
```

```
> rows total         28
```

# A tibble: 28 x 4

	id	Age	visit	Outcome
	<int>	<dbl>	<int>	<dbl>
1	1	55	NA	NA
2	2	55.6	1	10
3	2	55.6	2	23.8
4	2	55.6	3	37.6
5	3	56.1	2	11.4
6	3	56.1	3	25.2
7	3	56.1	1	39.0

# Right Join

```
rj = right_join(base, visits)
```

Joining, by = "id"

right\_join: added 2 columns (visit, Outcome)

```
> rows only in x ( 1)
```

```
> rows only in y    3
```

```
> matched rows      27
```

```
>                      ====
```

```
> rows total        30
```

## Left Join: Switching arguments

```
lj2 = left_join(visits, base)
```

Joining, by = "id"

left\_join: added one column (Age)

```
> rows only in x      3
```

```
> rows only in y    ( 1)
```

```
> matched rows      27
```

```
>                      ====
```

```
> rows total        30
```

# Full Join

```
fj = full_join(base, visits)
```

Joining, by = "id"

full\_join: added 2 columns (visit, Outcome)

```
> rows only in x      1
```

```
> rows only in y      3
```

```
> matched rows      27      (includes duplicates)
```

```
>                      =====
```

```
> rows total          31
```



# Full Join

Note what tidylog means by `includes` duplicates. Data from `base` is being duplicated.

```
# fj = full_join(base, visits)
head(fj, 10)
```

```
# A tibble: 10 x 4
      id    Age visit Outcome
  <int> <dbl> <int>   <dbl>
1     1    55    NA      NA
2     2   55.6     1     10
3     2   55.6     2    23.8
4     2   55.6     3    37.6
5     3   56.1     2    11.4
6     3   56.1     3    25.2
7     3   56.1     1    39.0
8     4   56.7     3    12.8
9     4   56.7     1    26.6
10    4   56.7     2    40.3
```

# Duplicated

- The `duplicated` command can give you indications if there are duplications in a **vector**:

```
duplicated(1:5)
```

```
[1] FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE
```

```
duplicated(c(1:5, 1))
```

```
[1] FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE TRUE
```

```
fj %>% mutate(dup_id = duplicated(id))
```

```
# A tibble: 31 x 5
   id   Age visit Outcome dup_id
<int> <dbl> <int>   <dbl> <lgl>
1     1   55    NA     NA  FALSE
2     2  55.6     1    10  FALSE
3     2  55.6     2   23.8  TRUE
4     2  55.6     3   37.6  TRUE
5     3  56.1     2   11.4  FALSE
6     3  56.1     3   25.2  TRUE
7     3  56.1     1   39.0  TRUE
8     4  56.7     3   12.8  FALSE
9     4  56.7     1   26.6  TRUE
10    4  56.7     2   40.3  TRUE
# ... with 21 more rows
```

## Using the **by** argument

By default - uses intersection of column names. If `by` specified, then uses that.

```
# for multiple, by = c(col1, col2)
head(full_join(base, visits, by = "id"))
```

```
# A tibble: 6 x 4
   id    Age visit Outcome
<int> <dbl> <int>    <dbl>
1     1    55     NA      NA
2     2   55.6     1     10
3     2   55.6     2    23.8
4     2   55.6     3    37.6
5     3   56.1     2    11.4
6     3   56.1     3    25.2
```

# Lab Part 2

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- Using `rowSums()` to get rid of missing data (NAs)
- Finding the first and last record using `slice()`

Other **tidy** topics (not covered)

## Reshaping data from long (tall) to wide (fat): tidyr

We can use `rowSums` to see if any values in the row is `NA` and keep if the row, which is a combination of date and line type has any non-missing data.

```
head(wide, 3)
```

```
# A tibble: 3 x 7
  day   date      daily line Boardings Alightings Average
<chr> <chr>    <dbl> <chr>    <dbl>    <dbl>    <dbl>
1 Monday 01/11/2010    952 orange     877      1027     952
2 Monday 01/11/2010    952 purple      NA        NA      NA
3 Monday 01/11/2010    952 green      NA        NA      NA
```

```
not_namat = wide %>% select(Alightings, Average, Boardings)
not_namat = !is.na(not_namat)
head(not_namat, 2)
```

```
      Alightings Average Boardings
[1,]         TRUE      TRUE      TRUE
[2,]        FALSE      FALSE      FALSE
```

```
wide$good = rowSums(not_namat) > 0
```

## Reshaping data from long (tall) to wide (fat): tidyr

Now we can filter only the good rows and delete the `good` column.

```
wide = wide %>% filter(good) %>% select(-good)
head(wide)
```

```
# A tibble: 6 x 7
  day      date      daily line Boardings Alightings Average
<chr>    <chr>    <dbl> <chr>    <dbl>    <dbl>    <dbl>
1 Monday  01/11/2010   952 orange     877     1027     952
2 Tuesday 01/12/2010   796 orange     777      815     796
3 Wednesday 01/13/2010 1212. orange    1203     1220    1212.
4 Thursday 01/14/2010 1214. orange    1194     1233    1214.
5 Friday   01/15/2010 1644 orange    1645     1643    1644
6 Saturday 01/16/2010 1490. orange    1457     1524    1490.
```

## Finding the First (or Last) record

- `slice` allows you to select **records** (compared to first/last on a **vector**)

```
long = long %>% filter(!is.na(number) & number > 0)
first_and_last = long %>% arrange(date) %>% # arrange by date
  filter(type == "Boardings") %>% # keep boardings only
  group_by(line) %>% # group by line
  slice( c(1, n())) # select ("slice") first and last (n() command) lines
first_and_last %>% head(4)
```

```
# A tibble: 4 x 6
```

```
# Groups:   line [2]
```

	day	date	daily	line	type	number
	<chr>	<chr>	<dbl>	<chr>	<chr>	<dbl>
1	Tuesday	01/01/2013	NA	banner	Boardings	317
2	Monday	12/31/2012	NA	banner	Boardings	615
3	Sunday	01/01/2012	3940.	green	Boardings	706
4	Monday	12/31/2012	NA	green	Boardings	1925



Merging in base R (not covered)

## Data Merging/Append in Base R

- `merge()` is the most common way to do this with data sets
  - we will use the “join” functions from `dplyr`
- `rbind/cbind` - row/column bind, respectively
  - `rbind` is the equivalent of “appending” in Stata or “setting” in SAS
  - `cbind` allows you to add columns in addition to the previous ways
- `t()` can transpose data but doesn't make it a `data.frame`

# Merging

```
merged.data <- merge(base, visits, by = "id")  
head(merged.data, 5)
```

	id	Age	visit	Outcome
1	2	55.55556	1	10.00000
2	2	55.55556	2	23.79310
3	2	55.55556	3	37.58621
4	3	56.11111	3	25.17241
5	3	56.11111	2	11.37931

```
dim(merged.data)
```

```
[1] 27  4
```

# Merging

```
all.data <- merge(base, visits, by = "id", all = TRUE)
tail(all.data)
```

	id	Age	visit	Outcome
26	10	60	3	21.03448
27	10	60	1	34.82759
28	10	60	2	48.62069
29	11	NA	1	22.41379
30	11	NA	2	36.20690
31	11	NA	3	50.00000

```
dim(all.data)
```

```
[1] 31  4
```