

Import and Export data

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Import data

Import a txt file by using `read.table()`

`Header=False` will make the header row in the original dataset as the first rows. R will assign column names V1, V2, V3 ... automatically

```
read.table('/Users/Penny/Desktop/dataset/MGSA/GDP.txt',header = FALSE)
```

```
##      V1      V2      V3
## 1 Year Quarter    GDP
## 2 2004      1 11405.5
## 3 2004      2 11610.3
## 4 2004      3 11779.4
## 5 2004      4 11948.5
## 6 2005      1 12155.4
## 7 2005      2 12297.5
## 8 2005      3 12538.2
## 9 2005      4 12696.4
## 10 2006      1 12959.6
## 11 2006      2 13134.1
## 12 2006      3 13249.6
## 13 2006      4 13370.1
## 14 2007      1 13510.9
## 15 2007      2 13737.5
## 16 2007      3 13950.6
## 17 2007      4 14031.2
## 18 2008      1 14150.8
## 19 2008      2 14294.5
## 20 2008      3 14412.8
## 21 2008      4 14200.3
```

Keep the Header

```
read.table('/Users/Penny/Desktop/dataset/MGSA/GDP.txt',header = TRUE)
```

```
##      Year Quarter    GDP
## 1 2004      1 11405.5
## 2 2004      2 11610.3
## 3 2004      3 11779.4
## 4 2004      4 11948.5
## 5 2005      1 12155.4
## 6 2005      2 12297.5
## 7 2005      3 12538.2
## 8 2005      4 12696.4
```

```
## 9 2006      1 12959.6
## 10 2006     2 13134.1
## 11 2006     3 13249.6
## 12 2006     4 13370.1
## 13 2007     1 13510.9
## 14 2007     2 13737.5
## 15 2007     3 13950.6
## 16 2007     4 14031.2
## 17 2008     1 14150.8
## 18 2008     2 14294.5
## 19 2008     3 14412.8
## 20 2008     4 14200.3
```

Import a csv

Because csv is comma delimited file, we can still call `read.table()`, but specify the `sep = ','`

```
read.table('/Users/Penny/Desktop/dataset/MGSA/GDP.csv',header = TRUE,sep = ',')
```

```
##   Year Quarter      GDP
## 1 2004      1 11405.5
## 2 2004      2 11610.3
## 3 2004      3 11779.4
## 4 2004      4 11948.5
## 5 2005      1 12155.4
## 6 2005      2 12297.5
## 7 2005      3 12538.2
## 8 2005      4 12696.4
## 9 2006      1 12959.6
## 10 2006     2 13134.1
## 11 2006     3 13249.6
## 12 2006     4 13370.1
## 13 2007     1 13510.9
## 14 2007     2 13737.5
## 15 2007     3 13950.6
## 16 2007     4 14031.2
## 17 2008     1 14150.8
## 18 2008     2 14294.5
## 19 2008     3 14412.8
## 20 2008     4 14200.3
```

Or using `read.csv()`. `read.csv()` or `read.csv2()` are identical to `read.table()` expect for the defaults. `read.csv()` is intended for comma separated files, and `read.csv2()` is used in countries that use a comma as decimal point and a semicolon as field separator

```
read.csv('/Users/Penny/Desktop/dataset/MGSA/GDP.csv',header = TRUE)
```

```
##   Year Quarter      GDP
## 1 2004      1 11405.5
## 2 2004      2 11610.3
## 3 2004      3 11779.4
## 4 2004      4 11948.5
```

```
## 5 2005      1 12155.4
## 6 2005      2 12297.5
## 7 2005      3 12538.2
## 8 2005      4 12696.4
## 9 2006      1 12959.6
## 10 2006     2 13134.1
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## 13 2007     1 13510.9
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## 15 2007     3 13950.6
## 16 2007     4 14031.2
## 17 2008     1 14150.8
## 18 2008     2 14294.5
## 19 2008     3 14412.8
## 20 2008     4 14200.3
```

Import a xlsx, sheet1, sheet2

```
require(gdata)
read.xls('/Users/Penny/Desktop/dataset/MGSA/GDP.xlsx',header=TRUE,sheet=1)
```

```
##   Year Quarter    GDP
## 1 2004      1 11405.5
## 2 2004      2 11610.3
## 3 2004      3 11779.4
## 4 2004      4 11948.5
## 5 2005      1 12155.4
## 6 2005      2 12297.5
## 7 2005      3 12538.2
## 8 2005      4 12696.4
## 9 2006      1 12959.6
## 10 2006     2 13134.1
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## 13 2007     1 13510.9
## 14 2007     2 13737.5
## 15 2007     3 13950.6
## 16 2007     4 14031.2
## 17 2008     1 14150.8
## 18 2008     2 14294.5
## 19 2008     3 14412.8
## 20 2008     4 14200.3
```

```
read.xls('/Users/Penny/Desktop/dataset/MGSA/GDP.xlsx',header=TRUE,sheet=2)
```

```
##   Year Quarter    GDP
## 1 2004      1 11405.5
## 2 2004      2 11610.3
## 3 2004      3 11779.4
## 4 2004      4 11948.5
```

More example see <https://www.statmethods.net/input/importingdata.html>

Export data

```
df=cbind.data.frame('x1'=rnorm(10,mean = 0,sd=1),'x2'=runif(10,0,1))
df
```

```
##           x1           x2
## 1  2.45504315 0.376901184
## 2 -1.31604756 0.008970486
## 3 -0.01868714 0.740586246
## 4 -0.86614816 0.004511222
## 5  0.09615072 0.794370435
## 6 -0.75313726 0.443105902
## 7 -0.77994368 0.399913831
## 8 -2.01877343 0.863308550
## 9 -0.33809918 0.686669876
## 10 -0.61602818 0.218623050
```

Write out the result as test.txt file with tab delimited (sep="\\t"), keep the column names, drop the row names

```
write.table(df,file = '/Users/Penny/Desktop/dataset/MGSA/test.txt',sep = "\\t",
            col.names = TRUE, row.names = FALSE)
```

Write out as a txt.csv

```
write.csv(df,file='/Users/Penny/Desktop/dataset/MGSA/test.csv',
          col.names = TRUE,row.names = FALSE)
```

```
## Warning in write.csv(df, file = "/Users/Penny/Desktop/dataset/MGSA/
## test.csv", : attempt to set 'col.names' ignored
```