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stdf = pd.DataFrame(state_data,columns=['State','PostCode','Area','Pop'])
>>> stdf
      State PostCode     Area        Pop
0   Alabama       AL   52,423  4,040,587
1    Alaska       AK  656,424    550,043
2   Arizona       AZ        *  3,665,228
3  Arkansas       AR   53,182  2,350,750
>>> stdf['Area']
0     52,423
1    656,424
2          *
3     53,182
Name: Area, dtype: object
>>> stdf.Area
0     52,423
1    656,424
2          *
3     53,182
Name: Area, dtype: object
>>> stdf['Area'][0]
'52,423'
>>> stdf = stdf.set_index('State')
>>> stdf
         PostCode     Area        Pop
State
Alabama        AL   52,423  4,040,587
Alaska         AK  656,424    550,043
Arizona        AZ        *  3,665,228
Arkansas       AR   53,182  2,350,750
>>> stdf =stdf.replace('*','0')
>>> stdf
         PostCode     Area        Pop
State
Alabama        AL   52,423  4,040,587
Alaska         AK  656,424    550,043
Arizona        AZ        0  3,665,228
Arkansas       AR   53,182  2,350,750
>>> def item_replace(xstr):
...     return xstr.replace(',','')
...
>>> stdf['Area'] = stdf['Area'].map(item_replace)
>>> stdf
         PostCode    Area        Pop
State
Alabama        AL   52423  4,040,587
Alaska         AK  656424    550,043
Arizona        AZ       0  3,665,228
Arkansas       AR   53182  2,350,750
>>> stdf['Pop'] = stdf['Pop'].map(item_replace)
>>> stdf
         PostCode    Area      Pop
State
Alabama        AL   52423  4040587
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Alaska	AK	656424	550043
Arizona	AZ	0	3665228
Arkansas	AR	53182	2350750