

# printCurrency

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The following function, `printCurrency`, properly formats numbers as currency.

`multiplier` is designed to allow for easy formatting of tens, hundreds, thousands, millions, or billions by displaying a multiplier-specific letter after the formatted number. `multiplier` works for values other than those listed but does not currently display a symbol after the formatted number. The default is 1 (i.e., the number is displayed as entered with currency formatting).

```
printCurrency <- function(value, currency.sym = "$", digits = 2, sep = ",",
                          decimal=".", multiplier = 1, mult.sym = "") {
  mult.sym <- ifelse(multiplier == 10^1, " tens",
                    ifelse(multiplier == 10^2, "H",
                          ifelse(multiplier == 10^3, "K",
                                ifelse(multiplier == 10^6, "M",
                                      ifelse(multiplier == 10^9, "B",
                                            ""))))))
  paste(currency.sym, formatC(value / multiplier, format = "f",
                              big.mark = sep, digits = digits,
                              decimal.mark=decimal), mult.sym, sep="")
}
```

Examples:

```
## simple 1000s multiplier
printCurrency(10000, multiplier = 1000)
```

```
## [1] "$10.00K"
```

```
## create a variable to pass to printMult
x <- 123456789

## multiplier can be numeric or in scientific notation
printCurrency(x, multiplier = 10^6, digits = 0)
```

```
## [1] "$123M"
```

```
## passing a non-standard multiplier - note that the result is displayed without
## a multiplier symbol
printCurrency(1000, multiplier = 123)
```

```
## [1] "$8.13"
```

```
## passing an alternate currency symbol  
printCurrency(10121333, digits = 1, multiplier = 1000000, currency.sym = "€")
```

```
## [1] "€10.1M"
```