collect save - Save a collection to disk

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Description

collect save saves a collection to a file.

Quick start

Save current collection to a file, with the filename constructed using the collection name with the .stjson extension

collect save

Same as above, but save collection to myfile.stjson

collect save myfile

Save collection c1 to c1.stjson, replacing it if it exists

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collect save, name(c1) replace
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Menu

Statistics > Summaries, tables, and tests > Tables and collections > Save collection

Syntax

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collect save [ filename ] [, replace name(cname) ]
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If *filename* is specified without an extension, .stjson is assumed. If *filename* contains embedded spaces, enclose it in double quotes.

Options

replace permits collect save to overwrite an existing file.

name (cname) specifies the name of the collection to be saved. By default, the current collection is saved.

Remarks and examples

With collect save, you can save your collection to a file. This might be useful if, for example, you have collected the results you want and you are about to exit Stata but you plan to continue working with this collection in a future session. Suppose your current collection is named default and you simply type

. collect save

Your collection will be stored in a file called default.stjson. You might instead specify a more descriptive filename, as follows:

. collect save means

The default behavior is to save the current collection. If you have multiple collections in memory and you wish to save a collection other than the current collection, specify the collection name with name().

Whenever you are ready to resume working with the collection means, you can type

. collect use means

to load the collection from that file into memory; see [TABLES] collect use.

Stored results

collect save stores the following in s():

Macros

s(collection) name of saved collection
s(filename) name of the file

Also see

[TABLES] collect use — Use a collection from disk

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