

**sleep** — Pause for a specified time

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## Syntax

```
sleep #
```

where # is the number of milliseconds (1,000 ms = 1 second).

## Description

`sleep` tells Stata to pause for # ms before continuing with the next command.

## Remarks and examples

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Use `sleep` when you want Stata to wait for some amount of time before executing the next command.

```
. sleep 10000
```

pauses Stata for 10 seconds.