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Description

This entry provides a quick reference to each of the individual commands and functions related to data frames.

If you are new to data frames in Stata, please start by reading [\[D\] frames intro](#).

Data frames are discussed in detail in [\[D\] frames intro](#).

There is also a set of Mata functions to work with frames. See [\[M-5\] st_frame*\(\)](#).

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Data > Frames Manager

Syntax

`frame` and `frames` are synonyms. Below, we will use one or the other depending on which one is more natural given the context.

Display name of current (working) frame

`frame pwf`

(see [\[D\] frame pwf](#))

`frame`

`pwf`

Display names of all frames in memory

`frames dir`

(see [\[D\] frames dir](#))

Create new, empty frame

`frame create newfilename`

(see [\[D\] frame create](#))

Create new frame with specified variables for use with `frame post`

`frame create newfilename newvarlist`

(see [\[P\] frame post](#))

Change identity of current (working) frame

`frame change filename`

(see [\[D\] frame change](#))

`cwf filename`

Execute command on data in specified frame

`frame framename: stata_command` (see [D] [frame prefix](#))

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frame framename {  
    commands to execute in context of framename  
}
```

Make a copy of a frame

`frame copy frame_from frame_to [, replace]` (see [D] [frame copy](#))

Copy subset of variables or observations to a new frame

`frame put` (see [D] [frame put](#))

Add new observation to frame

`frame post framename (exp) (exp) ... (exp)` (see [P] [frame post](#))

Drop (eliminate) frame that is not the current frame

`frame drop framename` (see [D] [frame drop](#))

Rename existing frame (which can be the current frame)

`frame rename oldframename newframename` (see [D] [frame rename](#))

Reestablish initial state of having a single, empty frame named `default`

`frames reset` (see [D] [frames reset](#))

Link frames

`frlink` (see [D] [frlink](#))

Get variables from linked frame

`frget` (see [D] [frget](#))

Functions to access variables in another frame

`frval(linkvar, varname)` (see [frval\(\)](#))

`_frval(framename, varname, i)`

Also see

[D] [frames intro](#) — Introduction to frames

[M-5] [st_frame*\(\)](#) — Data frame manipulation