**collect rename — Rename a collection**

**Description**

`collect rename` changes the name associated with a collection.

**Quick start**

Change name of existing collection `c1` to `collection1`

`collect rename c1 collection1`

As above, but overwrite `collection1` if it exists

`collect rename c1 collection1, replace`

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**Syntax**

```
collect rename cname newcname [, replace]
```

where `cname` is the name of an existing collection and `newcname` is the new name for the existing collection.

**Option**

`replace` permits `collect rename` to overwrite an existing collection.

**Remarks and examples**

`collect rename` changes the name associated with a collection. This is useful when you have multiple collections in memory. For example, you may be collecting results into the collection named `default`. You may want to give this collection a more descriptive name, based on the results you have collected. For example, you might call this collection `means`:

```
. collect rename default means
```

Now it is clear that the collection `means` contains means.
Stored results

`collect rename` stores the following in `s()`:

Macros

- `s(current)` — name of current collection

Also see

- [TABLES] `collect create` — Create a new collection
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