

**ustrtoname()** — Convert a Unicode string to a Stata name

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## Description

`ustrtoname(s [, p])` converts a Unicode string to a Stata name. Each character in *s* that is not allowed in a Stata name is converted to an underscore character, `_`. If the first character in *s* is a numeric character and *p* is specified and not zero, then the result is prefixed with an underscore. The result is truncated to 32 Unicode characters.

When arguments are not scalar, `ustrtoname()` returns element-by-element results.

## Syntax

*string matrix* `ustrtoname(string matrix s [, real scalar p])`

## Remarks and examples

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An invalid UTF-8 sequence is converted to an underscore character, `_`.

Use `strtoname()` if you need to produce a Stata 13 compatible name.

## Conformability

`ustrtoname(s [, p])`:

<i>s</i> :	$r \times c$
<i>p</i> :	$1 \times 1$
<i>result</i> :	$r \times c$

## Diagnostics

`ustrtoname(s [, p])` returns an empty string if an error occurs.

## Also see

[M-5] `strtoname()` — Convert a string to a Stata 13 compatible name

[M-4] `string` — String manipulation functions

[U] 12.4.2 Handling Unicode strings