Using an ICPSR set-up file to create a SAS dataset

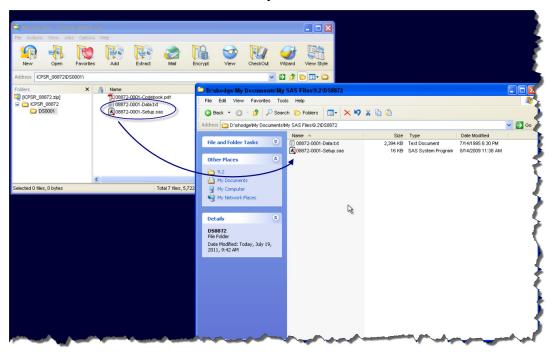
Name library and raw data files.

From the Start menu, launch SAS, and in the Editor program, write the codes to create and name a folder in the SAS permanent file for this project, "DS8872," and rename the raw data file, "Input1," and save in the new folder, DS8872. Be sure to observe the SAS filenaming convention, which states that names are

- no longer than 8 characters,
- start with a letter, and
- contain only letters, numbers, or underscores (_).

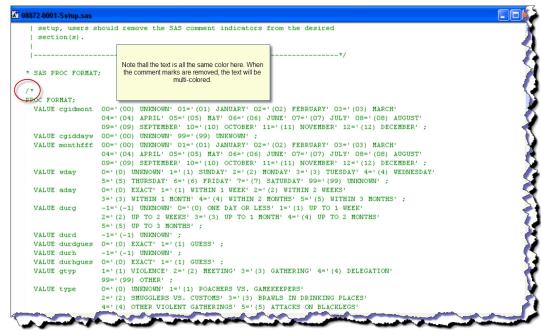
The Log above the Editor confirms action complete and shows errors, if any.

Move data and set-up file into new SAS folder.



From the zip folder downloaded from ICPSR, select the "set-up.sas" file and the "data.txt" file and drag and drop them into the new folder, DS8872. If there are more than one dataset in the downloaded file, be sure that the set-up file and the data file have the same dataset number, which is the second set of numbers in the name, such as ".0001."

Delete comment marks from procedures.



Comment marks precede (/*) and follow (*/) statements that are not enabled in the set-up file. These statements contain the labels and names for values and variables, labeling for missing data and other useful information. To include the statements, delete the marks around the statement. Continue working through the file until you reach the DATA and INFILE statements.

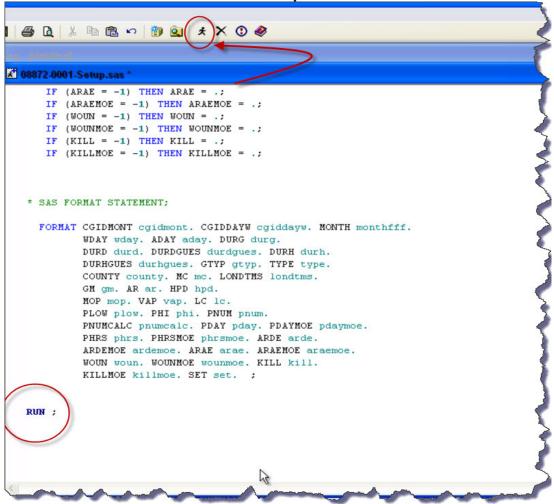
Edit Data and Infile Commands.

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-1='(-1) UNKNOWN' 0='(0) EVNT LASTED < 24 HOURS';
    VALUE pday
    VALUE pdaymoe
                     -1='(-1) UNKNOWN';
    VALUE phrs
                     -1='(-1) UNKNOWN';
   VALUE phrsmoe
                     -1='(-1) UNKNOWN':
    VALUE arde
                      -1='(-1) UNKNOWN'
    VALUE ardemoe
                     -1='(-1) UNKNOWN';
    VALUE arae
                      -1='(-1) UNKNOWN'
    VALUE araemoe
                     -1='(-1) UNKNOWN'
                      -1='(-1) UNKNOWN'
    VALUE woun
    VALUE wounmoe
                     -1='(-1) UNKNOWN';
    VALUE kill
                     -1='(-1) UNKNOWN';
    VALUE kil
                                UNKNOWN';
    VALUE (
                               CL EVENT' 2='(2) GBS NON-SWING EVENT' 3='(3) GBS SWING EVENT';
            Note that the comment mark has been deleted and the command above is active.
  * SAS DATA, INFILE, INPUT STATEMENTS;
□ DATA DS8872.da8872;
                                              Remember that we named the
 INFILE Input1 LRECL=302;
  INPUT
```

The DATA statement names the new dataset preceded by the library's name, "DS8872.da8872." The INFILE statement points to the raw data or its location to create the new dataset. We have already given the raw data a SAS filename, "Infile1." Highlight and delete "Data-filename" and replace it with "Infile1." Retain the LRECL if given.

Continue working through the file removing comment marks, as appropriate.

Run set-up file.



Once the DATA and INFILE commands have been edited to include the names and location of the files and the naming of variables and value labels have been enabled, check to be sure that there is a RUN; command in place. Then click on the icon at the top of the window to run the file.

Confirm success.

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314 PHRS phrs. PHRSMOE phrsmoe. ARDE arde.
315 ARDEMOE ardemoe. ARAE arae. ARAEMOE araemoe.
316 WOUN woun. WOUNMOE wounmoe. KILL kill.
317 KILLMOE killmoe. SET set.;
318
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320 RUN;

NOTE: The infile INPUT1 is:
Filename=D:\shodge\My Documents\My SAS Files\9.2\DS8872\08872-0001-Data.txt,
RECFM=V,LRECL=302,File Size (bytes)=2450664,
Last Modified=14Jull995:18:30:12,
Create Time=14Jull995:18:30:12

NOTE: 8088 records were read from the infile INPUT1.
The minimum record length was 302.
The maximum record length was 302.
NOTE: The data set DS8872.DA8872 has 8088 observations and 66 variables.
NOTE: DATA statement used (Total process time):
real time 19.90 seconds
cpu time 0.18 seconds
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Here is the confirmation in the Log file that the new SAS dataset has been created.

Edit and save set-up file.

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🛣 edited-08872-0001-Setup.sas
        FORMAT: associates the formats created by the PROC FORMAT sten with
        the variables named in the INPUT statement.
        NOTE: Users should modify this setup file to suit their specific needs.
        Sections for PROC FORMAT, FORMAT, and MISSING VALUE RECODES have been
        commented out (i.e., ^{+}/^{\pm i}). To include these sections in the final SAS
        setup, users should remove the SAS comment indicators from the desired
    *Create library and name raw data file ;
    Libname DS8872 "D:\shodge\My Documents\My SAS Files\9.2\DS8872";
    Filename Input1 "D:\shodge\My Documents\My SAS Files\9.2\DS8872\08872-0001-Data.txt":
      SAS PROC FORMAT:
  FIRROR FORMAT:
       VALUE egidmont 00='(00) UNKNOWN' 01='(01) JANUARY' 02='(02) FEBRUARY' 03='(03) MARCH'
       04='(04) APRIL' 05='(05) MAY' 06='(06) JUNE' 07='(07) JULY' 08='(08) AUGUST'
09='(09) SEPTEMBER' 10='(10) OCTOBER' 11='(11) NOVEMBER' 12='(12) DECEMBER';
VALUE cgiddayw 00='(00) UNKNOWN' 99='(99) UNKWOWN';
       VALUE monthfff 00='(00) UNKNOWN' 01='(01) JANUARY' 02='(02) FEBRUARY' 03='(03) MARCH'
                           04='(04) APRIL' 05='(05) MAY' 06='(06) JUNE' 07='(07) JULY' 08='(08) AUGUST' 09='(09) SEPTEMBER' 10='(10) OCTOBER' 11='(11) NOVEMBER' 12='(12) DECEMBER';
                           0='(0) UNKNOWN' 1='(1) SUNDAY' 2='(2) MONDAY' 3='(3) TUESDAY' 4='(4) WEDNESDAY' 5='(5) THURSDAY' 6='(6) FRIDAY' 7='(7) SATURDAY' 99='(99) UNKNOWN'; 0='(0) EXACT' 1='(1) WITHIN 1 WEEK' 2='(2) WITHIN 2 WEEKS'
       VALUE wday
       VALUE aday
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Copy and paste the Libname and Filename commands from the beginning of this process into the beginning of the set-up file after the heading and before the first PROC FORMAT statement. Write a short statement about what the statements accomplish preceded by an asterisk (*) and followed by a semicolon (;). Save the file to the folder, DS8872 with a name that is descriptive, such as "edited.08872-0001.setup.

Create Formats Catalog for future use.

```
# edited-08872-0001-Setup.sas*

WOUN woun. WOUNMOE wounmoe. KILL kill.
 KILLMOE killmoe. SET set. ;

Run;

*Write formats to DS8872;

Proc Format cntlout = DS8872.Formats;

Run;
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Start with a short statement about the statement preceded by an asterisk (*) and followed by a semi-colon (;). This statement saves the Formats Catalog that the set-up file created so it can be used with the dataset in the future. Use a PROC FORMAT statement and the option "CNTLOUT=DS8872.Formats" to create the catalog and add a "Run;" command. Be sure to close each line with a semi-colon. Highlight the PROC FORMAT AND RUN statements and go to the menus at the top and click on "Submit." After confirming in the log file that the catalog has been successfully created, save the edited set up file again. In subsequent sessions using this dataset, use a PROC FORMAT and CNTLIN option to make the data and variable labels and names available in the SAS session.

Open dataset for subsequent use.

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*load dataset into SAS including formats;

Libname DS8872 "D:\shodge\My Documents\My SAS Files\9.2\DS8872";
title "DS8872.DA8872";
title "DS8872.Formats";

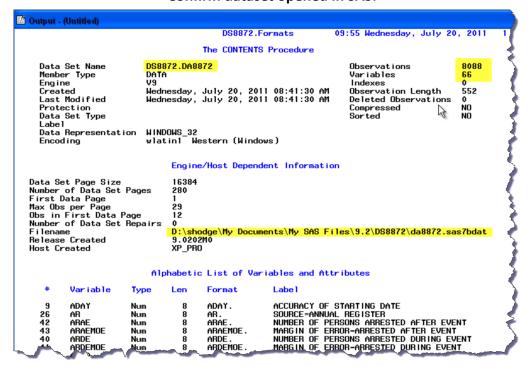
proc format cntlin=DS8872.Formats;

proc contents data=DS8872.DA8872;

run ;
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Open SAS and begin in a new Program Editor. Write a short note about opening a dataset in SAS and applying the formats catalog. Remember to start with an asterisk (*) and end with a semi-colon (;). Name the library DS8872 using the "LIBNAME" statement and enter the path to the file. Titling the files is optional but is included here following the LIBNAME. Use the PROC FORMAT statement with the option CNTLIN and point to the formats catalog to make the formats accessible to SAS, "cntlin=ds8872.formats." A PROC CONTENT statement that describes the dataset can be used but is also optional. Add a "RUN;" command at the end of the script and go to the menus at the top and click on "Submit."

Confirm dataset opened in SAS.



The results of the PROC CONTENT statement confirms the location of the file, the number of cases, and the path to the file.

This dataset is ready for analysis.