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Subject: Re: Incorrect behavior of /NaN

Posted by [K. Bowman](#) on Fri, 05 Apr 2002 18:20:34 GMT

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In article <onofgz74jo.fsf@cow.physics.wisc.edu>,  
Craig Markwardt <craigmnet@cow.physics.wisc.edu> wrote:

> If all the data are missing, how can the sum be NaN? Neither a return  
> value of 0, nor a return value of NaN, seems to be appropriate to  
> me. This appears to be an undefined case.

If NaN represents missing data, and all of the data are missing, then the  
total is missing also, so it seems reasonable to me to return NaN.

Ken

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