
Subject: Re: Read Total lines in an ASCII file
Posted by [wmconnolley](#) on Fri, 13 Dec 2002 22:42:53 GMT
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David Fanning <david@dfanning.com> wrote:

> Anyway, IDL 5.6 has FILE_LINES, which will give us
> all a consistent way to count lines from now on. Now,
> all we have to do it convince everyone to upgrade... :-)

If you are lucky enough to be running under unix, then

```
spawn,'cat filename|wc -l',number_of_lines
```

should work.

-W.

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