Subject: Re: Formatting WRITE CSV output Posted by penteado on Thu, 13 May 2010 01:32:08 GMT

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On May 12, 10:00 pm, fqg <fabioquimaraesgoncal...@gmail.com> wrote:

- > Hi,
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- Is it possible to use format codes with WRITE_CSV? In other words, can
- > I specify the output format for each "Data" below?

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WRITE_CSV, Filename, Data1 [, Data2,..., Data8] [, HEADER=variable]

Thank you!

Not directly. If your data are strings, you can format them first, then give them to write_csv, such as

write_csv,file,string(data1,format=...),string(data2,format=...)

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Subject: Re: Formatting WRITE_CSV output Posted by fgg on Thu, 13 May 2010 19:45:11 GMT

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Thanks, pp. I guess I'll go with printf. Another disadvantage of write csv is that it limits the number of output columns to 8.