

## Description

`set tabulate_style` controls the default styles used in tables created by `tabulate`, `tab1`, `tab2`, `tabi`, and `svy: tabulate`. The default setting is `tabulate`, meaning that the styles defined in the `style-tabulate.stjson` file are used. This file can be found in the `ado-path`.

`set tabulate_comps` controls the default styles containing the composite results defined for two-way measures of association reported by `tabulate`, `tab2`, and `tabi`. The default setting is `tabulate_composites`, meaning that the composite results defined in the `style-tabulate_composites.stjson` file are used. This file can be found in the `ado-path`.

`set svy_tab_comps` controls the default styles containing the composite results defined for two-way tests of independence reported by `svy: tabulate`. The default setting is `svy_tabulate_composites`, meaning that the composite results defined in the `style-svy_tabulate_composites.stjson` file are used. This file can be found in the `ado-path`.

## Syntax

*Use the system default styles in tabulation tables*

```
set tabulate_style tabulate [ , permanently ]
```

```
set tabulate_comps tabulate_composites [ , permanently ]
```

```
set svy_tab_comps svy_tabulate_composites [ , permanently ]
```

*Specify a style set to be used as the default in tabulation tables*

```
set tabulate_style style [ , permanently ]
```

*Specify a style defining the default composite results for measures of association to be used in two-way tabulation tables*

```
set tabulate_comps style [ , permanently ]
```

*Specify a style defining the default composite results for tests of independence to be used in two-way tabulation tables for survey data*

```
set svy_tab_comps style [ , permanently ]
```

## Option

`permanently` specifies that, in addition to making the change right now, the setting be remembered and become the default setting when you invoke Stata.

## Remarks and examples

set tabulate\_style controls the default style used in tables created by tabulate for one-way tabulations, tab1, tabulate for two-way tabulations, tab2, tabi, tabulate, summarize(), svy: tabulate for one-way tabulations, and svy: tabulate for two-way tabulations. The default setting is tabulate, which means these commands use the styles defined in the file style-tabulate.stjson. This file can be found in the ado-path.

However, if you have a style that you plan to use with many tabulation tables that you will be creating, you can save that style to a file with collect style save. For example, you can save your style as tabstyle.stjson by typing the following:

```
. collect style save tabstyle.stjson
```

Then, to use that style by default with tables created by tabulate, you would type

```
. set tabulate_style tabstyle
```

set tabulate\_style will then search for style-tabstyle.stjson in the ado-path. If style-tabstyle.stjson is not found, it will search the ado-path for tabstyle.stjson.

To see the current setting, type

```
. display c(tabulate_style)
```

set tabulate\_comps controls the styles that define composite results for two-way tables produced by tabulate. See [R] [tabulate twoway](#) for details on these composite results and their default definitions. To see the current setting, type

```
. display c(tabulate_comps)
```

set svy\_tab\_comps controls the styles that define composite results for two-way tables produced by svy: tabulate. See [SVY] [svy: tabulate twoway](#) for details on these composite results and their default definitions. To see the current setting, type

```
. display c(svy_tab_comps)
```

## Also see

[R] [tabulate oneway](#) — One-way table of frequencies

[R] [tabulate twoway](#) — Two-way table of frequencies

[R] [tabulate, summarize\(\)](#) — One- and two-way tables of summary statistics

[SVY] [svy: tabulate oneway](#) — One-way tables for survey data

[SVY] [svy: tabulate twoway](#) — Two-way tables for survey data

[TABLES] [collect style save](#) — Save collection styles to disk

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