
Subject: Opening a .csv file

Posted by [gdeutsch](#) on Fri, 04 Mar 2022 09:41:25 GMT

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I am trying to open .csv files, but each time the data appears in one single column instead of being splitted in multiple columns. I have seen online that the right way to do it is "Open Special" ==> "Text file", but I cannot seem to find this option...

Datawarrior version : 5.5.0

Could anyone guide me please ?

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Posted by [nbehrnd](#) on Sat, 05 Mar 2022 17:26:31 GMT

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DataWarrior anticipates the columns in a .csv to be separated by a comma. Other characters occasionally seen in .csv as a separator (e.g., explicit space(s), semi-colon) indeed yield columns to coalesce into one when reading the input file with either File -> Open, or the shorthand Ctrl + O.

Check if the program generating the .csv allows an export with columns separated by a comma while representing floating numbers with a decimal point.

If this isn't adjustable, identify in your text editor of choice (it needn't be a word processor) a «find and replace» function to perform an adjustment in the intermediate form of the .csv before it is read by DataWarrior. In case real numbers originally are represented with a comma, substitute these by a period/full stop in first place; and then substitute our column separator by a comma.

Note, this form of data input converts the first line of the .csv as header of DataWarrior's spread sheet.

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Subject: Re: Opening a .csv file

Posted by [gdeutsch](#) on Mon, 07 Mar 2022 14:42:03 GMT

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Thank you very much for your help !
It is hugely appreciated !
