

HOW TO

COUNTW

USING SAS

What is it?

RETURNS THE NUMBER OF WORDS WITHIN A TEXT STRING

How do I write it?

COUNTW

TEXT
STRING

DELIMITER
LIST

OPTIONS

Show me examples

`countw(text)`
= 10

`countw(text, 'sas', 'i')`
= 6

text =

"Do you use SAS tasks
as your method of
choice?"

`countw(text, 's', 'ik')`
= 6

`countw(text, 'u')`
= 2

What are my options?

- P** Adds punctuation marks to the list of delimiters.
- +** Trims trailing blanks from the string and delimiters.
- U** Adds uppercase letters to the delimiter list.
- I** Ignores the case.
- K** Characters not in the list are treated as delimiters.

These are a selection of the many options available for this function



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