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pdf_options — Options for exporting to Portable Document Format

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These pdf_options are used with graph export when creating a Portable Document Format (PDF) file; see [G-2] graph export.

Syntax

pdf_options	Description
width(#)	width of graph in inches
<pre>height(#)</pre>	height of graph in inches
mag(#)	magnification/shrinkage factor; default is mag(100)
cmyk(on off)	whether to use CMYK rather than RGB colors
<pre>fontface(fontname)</pre>	default font to use
<pre>fontfacesans(fontname)</pre>	font to use for text in {stSans} "font"
<pre>fontfaceserif(fontname)</pre>	font to use for text in {stSerif} "font"
<pre>fontfacemono(fontname)</pre>	font to use for text in {stMono} "font"
<pre>fontfacesymbol(fontname)</pre>	font to use for text in {stSymbol} "font"
<pre>fontdir(directory)</pre>	directory in which TrueType and OpenType fonts are stored

where fontname may be a valid font name or default to restore the default setting and directory may be a valid directory or default to restore the default setting.

Current default values may be listed by typing

. graph set pdf

and default values may be set by typing

. graph set pdf name value

where *name* is the name of a *pdf_option*, omitting the parentheses.

Options

width(#) specifies the width of the graph in inches. If the width is specified but not the height, Stata determines the appropriate height from the graph's aspect ratio.

height (#) specifies the height of the graph in inches. If the height is specified but not the width, Stata determines the appropriate width from the graph's aspect ratio.

mag (#) specifies that the graph be drawn smaller or larger than the default. mag (100) is the default, meaning ordinary size. mag(110) would make the graph 10% larger than usual, and mag(90) would make the graph 10% smaller than usual. # must be an integer.

- cmyk(on) and cmyk(off) specify whether colors in the output file should be specified as CMYK values rather than RGB values. See Export custom colors in [G-4] colorstyle for further details.
 - Stata(GUI) for macOS users: this option is only available when the graph display is suppressed with set graphics off.
- fontface (fontname) specifies the name of the font to be used to render text for which no other font has been specified. The default font varies but is typically the font used on the Graph window for Stata(GUI) and Helvetica for Stata(console). If fontname contains spaces, it must be enclosed in double quotes.
 - Stata(GUI) for macOS users: this option is only available when the graph display is suppressed with set graphics off; otherwise, the rendered text in the PDF file will simply match what you see in the Graph window.
- fontfacesans (fontname) specifies the name of the font to be used to render text for which the {stSans} "font" has been specified. The default is Helvetica, which may be restored by specifying fontname as default. If fontname contains spaces, it must be enclosed in double quotes.
 - Stata(GUI) for macOS users: this option is only available when the graph display is suppressed with set graphics off; otherwise, the rendered text in the PDF file will simply match what you see in the Graph window.
- fontfaceserif (fontname) specifies the name of the font to be used to render text for which the {stSerif} "font" has been specified. The default is Times, which may be restored by specifying fontname as default. If fontname contains spaces, it must be enclosed in double quotes.
 - Stata(GUI) for macOS users: this option is only available when the graph display is suppressed with set graphics off; otherwise, the rendered text in the PDF file will simply match what you see in the Graph window.
- fontfacemono (fontname) specifies the name of the font to be used to render text for which the {stMono} "font" has been specified. The default is Courier, which may be restored by specifying fontname as default. If fontname contains spaces, it must be enclosed in double quotes.
 - Stata(GUI) for macOS users: this option is only available when the graph display is suppressed with set graphics off; otherwise, the rendered text in the PDF file will simply match what you see in the Graph window.
- fontfacesymbol (fontname) specifies the name of the font to be used to render text for which the {stSymbol} "font" has been specified. The default is Symbol, which may be restored by specifying fontname as default. If fontname contains spaces, it must be enclosed in double quotes.
 - Stata(GUI) for macOS users: this option is only available when the graph display is suppressed with set graphics off; otherwise, the rendered text in the PDF file will simply match what you see in the Graph window.
- fontdir(directory) specifies the directory that Stata(console) for Unix uses to find TrueType and OpenType fonts (if you specified any) when you export a graph to a PDF file. You may specify directory as default to restore the default setting. If directory contains spaces, it must be enclosed in double quotes.

Remarks and examples

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Remarks are presented under the following headings:

Using the pdf_options Setting defaults

Using the pdf_options

You have drawn a graph and wish to create a PDF file for including the file in a document. You wish, however, to change text for which no other font has been specified from the default to Calibri:

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. graph ...
                                               (draw a graph)
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. graph export myfile.pdf, fontface(Calibri)

Note that availability of certain pdf_options may vary based on your specific operating system and configuration. To view a list of supported PDF export options, you can type

. graph set pdf

Setting defaults

If you always wanted graph export to use Calibri when exporting to PDF files, you could type

. graph set pdf fontface Calibri

Later, you could type

. graph set pdf fontface default

to change it back. You can list the current pdf_options settings for PDF by typing

. graph set pdf

Also see

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[G-2] graph export — Export current graph
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[G-2] graph set — Set graphics options

[G-3] eps_options — Options for exporting to Encapsulated PostScript

[G-3] *ps_options* — Options for exporting or printing to PostScript

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