

Pets: A fish named Dimpy

Partner/Family: Wife, named Susan. No kids yet!

Sports/Hobbies: I try to play hockey, baseball, volleyball, football, tennis and golf (hacker). Interests also including camping, fishing, watching Texas hold 'em on TSN and working out (one day every month!).

Your ideal weekend would be... playing beach volleyball in the mornings and chilling and enjoying the warm weather and BBQ with friends and family in the afternoons.

Favourite Foods: Pizza, Pad Tai, butter chicken

If I could be anything at all (besides a SAS programmer), I would be....a pro tennis player on the ATP tour.

When I'm not programming in SAS, I like toenjoy the outdoors, whether through playing sports, camping on the weekends or taking vacations.

One thing every SAS programmer should know ...Here's a useful piece of code I use when I need to do counts on a certain field without creating a retain and counter. The code refers to a proc...PROC SQL:

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PROC SQL;
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CREATE TABLE CHLDCNT AS  
  SELECT PRSN_ID  
         ,COUNT(*) AS VALUE_CT  
  FROM FILEDEP  
  WHERE D_VALUE IN ('3','4')  
  GROUP BY PRSN_ID  
  ORDER BY PRSN_ID;
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The data set from previous code called FILEDEP is read in within this proc and a count is done for every instance of where a PRSN_ID has a D_VALUE that derives to '3' or '4'. The result is a total of D_VALUE's for a particular PRSN_ID which is output to the new dataset called CHLDCNT.