

# Interface `java.io.DataInput`

public interface **DataInput**  
extends [Object](#)

`DataInput` is an interface describing streams that can read input in a machine-independent format.

**See Also:**

[DataInputStream](#), [DataOutput](#)

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## Methods

### o readFully

```
public abstract void readFully(byte b[]) throws IOException
```

Reads bytes, blocking until all bytes are read.

**Parameters:**

b – the buffer into which the data is read

**Throws: EOFException**

If end of file is reached.

**Throws: IOException**

If other I/O error has occurred.

### o readFully

```
public abstract void readFully(byte b[],  
                               int off,  
                               int len) throws IOException
```

Reads bytes, blocking until all bytes are read.

**Parameters:**

b – the buffer into which the data is read

off – the start offset of the data

len – the maximum number of bytes to read

**Throws: EOFException**

If end of file is reached.

**Throws: IOException**

If other I/O error has occurred.

### o skipBytes

```
public abstract int skipBytes(int n) throws IOException
```

Skips bytes, block until all bytes are skipped.

**Parameters:**

n – the number of bytes to be skipped

**Returns:**

the actual number of bytes skipped.

**Throws: EOFException**

If end of file is reached.

**Throws: IOException**

If other I/O error has occurred.

## o readBoolean

```
public abstract boolean readBoolean() throws IOException
```

Reads in a boolean.

**Returns:**

the boolean read.

**Throws:** EOFException

If end of file is reached.

**Throws:** IOException

If other I/O error has occurred.

## o readByte

```
public abstract byte readByte() throws IOException
```

Reads an 8 bit byte.

**Returns:**

the 8 bit byte read.

**Throws:** EOFException

If end of file is reached.

**Throws:** IOException

If other I/O error has occurred.

## o readUnsignedByte

```
public abstract int readUnsignedByte() throws IOException
```

Reads an unsigned 8 bit byte.

**Returns:**

the 8 bit byte read.

**Throws:** EOFException

If end of file is reached.

**Throws:** IOException

If other I/O error has occurred.

## o readShort

```
public abstract short readShort() throws IOException
```

Reads 16 bit short.

**Returns:**

the read 16 bit short.

**Throws:** EOFException

If end of file is reached.

**Throws:** IOException

If other I/O error has occurred.

## o readUnsignedShort

```
public abstract int readUnsignedShort() throws IOException
```

Reads an unsigned 16 bit short.

**Returns:**

the read 16 bit short.

**Throws:** EOFException

If end of file is reached.

**Throws:** IOException

If other I/O error has occurred.

**o readChar**

```
public abstract char readChar() throws IOException
```

Reads a 16 bit char.

**Returns:**

the read 16 bit char.

**Throws:** EOFException

If end of file is reached.

**Throws:** IOException

If other I/O error has occurred.

**o readInt**

```
public abstract int readInt() throws IOException
```

Reads a 32 bit int.

**Returns:**

the read 32 bit integer.

**Throws:** EOFException

If end of file is reached.

**Throws:** IOException

If other I/O error has occurred.

**o readLong**

```
public abstract long readLong() throws IOException
```

Reads a 64 bit long.

**Returns:**

the read 64 bit long.

**Throws:** EOFException

If end of file is reached.

**Throws:** IOException

If other I/O error has occurred.

**o readFloat**

```
public abstract float readFloat() throws IOException
```

Reads a 32 bit float.

**Returns:**

the read 32 bit float.

**Throws:** [EOFException](#)

If end of file is reached.

**Throws:** [IOException](#)

If other I/O error has occurred.

## o readDouble

```
public abstract double readDouble() throws IOException
```

Reads a 64 bit double.

**Returns:**

the read 64 bit double.

**Throws:** [EOFException](#)

If end of file is reached.

**Throws:** [IOException](#)

If other I/O error has occurred.

## o readLine

```
public abstract String readLine() throws IOException
```

## o readUTF

```
public abstract String readUTF() throws IOException
```

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