

# Class `java.io.ByteArrayOutputStream`

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public class **ByteArrayOutputStream**  
extends [OutputStream](#)

This class implements a buffer that can be used as an `OutputStream`. The buffer automatically grows when data is written to the stream. The data can be retrieved using `toByteArray()` and `toString()`.

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The buffer where data is stored.

o **count**

The number of bytes in the buffer.

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Creates a new `ByteArrayOutputStream`.

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Creates a new `ByteArrayOutputStream` with the specified initial size.

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# Variables

## o **buf**

```
protected byte buf[]
```

The buffer where data is stored.

## o **count**

```
protected int count
```

The number of bytes in the buffer.

# Constructors

## o **ByteArrayOutputStream**

```
public ByteArrayOutputStream()
```

Creates a new ByteArrayOutputStream.

## o **ByteArrayOutputStream**

```
public ByteArrayOutputStream(int size)
```

Creates a new ByteArrayOutputStream with the specified initial size.

**Parameters:**

size – the initial size

## Methods

**o write**

```
public synchronized void write(int b)
```

Writes a byte to the buffer.

**Parameters:**

b – the byte

**Overrides:**

write in class OutputStream

**o write**

```
public synchronized void write(byte b[],  
                                int off,  
                                int len)
```

Writes bytes to the buffer.

**Parameters:**

b – the data to be written

off – the start offset in the data

len – the number of bytes that are written

**Overrides:**

write in class OutputStream

**o writeTo**

```
public synchronized void writeTo(OutputStream out) throws IOException
```

Writes the contents of the buffer to another stream.

**Parameters:**

out – the output stream to write to

**o reset**

```
public synchronized void reset()
```

Resets the buffer so that you can use it again without throwing away the already allocated buffer.

**o toByteArray**

```
public synchronized byte[] toByteArray()
```

Returns a copy of the input data.

o **size**

```
public int size()
```

Returns the current size of the buffer.

o **toString**

```
public String toString()
```

Converts input data to a string.

**Returns:**

the string.

**Overrides:**

toString in class Object

o **toString**

```
public String toString(int hibyte)
```

Converts input data to a string. The top 8 bits of each 16 bit Unicode character are set to hibyte.

**Parameters:**

hibyte – the bits set