

# JavaScript Object Notation (JSON)

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**JavaScript Object Notation (JSON)** is an open standard file format and data interchange format that uses human-readable text to store and transmit [data objects](#) consisting of attribute-value pairs and arrays (or other serializable values). It is a very common data format, with a diverse range of applications, one example being web applications that communicate with a [server](#).

JSON is a language-independent data format. It was derived from [JavaScript](#), but many modern [programming languages](#) include code to generate and parse JSON-format data. JSON filenames use the extension `.json`.

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