NCSES Table Builder: Save and Open Table Definitions

Save time or share work by saving a table definition file to your local device for personal use or collaboration.

How to **SAVE** a table definitions file:

1. Go to the NCSES Table Builder: https://ncsesdata.nsf.gov/builder/welcome
2. Select the survey to begin.
3. Build your table by selecting at least one measure and one or more dimensions from the left-side panel.
4. Click **Save/Open** on the left-side panel.
5. Click **Save Table** on the pop-up window.
6. Your table definition file automatically saves to your browser's default downloads folder.
7. Share your table with others!

> **Tip!**
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> You can rename your file after it has downloaded.

How to **OPEN** a table definitions file:

1. Download the JSON file to your device.
2. Go to the NCSES Table Builder: https://ncsesdata.nsf.gov/builder/welcome
3. Select the survey to begin.
4. Click **Save/Open** on the left-side panel.
5. Click **Open Table** on the pop-up window.
6. Browse to and select the table definitions file and click Open.
7. The Table Builder will provide a preview of your table selections.

Preview Table

Some of your table selections may have changed between system versions.
Review any conflicts below, then open the table to continue working. The Table Builder will be reset with your table.

Variable Type	Variable Name
Measure	R&D Expenditures by Detailed Funding Source
Custom Dimension	State Regions [State]
Dimension	Fiscal Year

8. Click **Open** to build your table with your selections.

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