Reordering factors CATEGORICAL DATA IN THE TIDYVERSE



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`fct_reorder()`

nlp_frequency %>% pull(response) %>% levels()

[1] "Most of the time" "Often" "Rarely" "Sometimes"

```
nlp_frequency %>%
   mutate(response = fct_relevel(response,
           "Often", "Most of the time")) %>%
   pull(response) %>%
   levels()
```

[1] "Often" "Most of the time" "Rarely" "Sometimes"





Additional arguments

```
nlp_frequency %>%
   mutate(response = fct_relevel(response,
            "Often", "Most of the time", after = 2)) %>%
            pull(response) %>%
           levels()
```

```
nlp_frequency %>%
   mutate(response = fct_relevel(response,
            "Often", "Most of the time", after = Inf) %>%
   pull(response) %>%
   levels()
```

[1] "Rarely" "Sometimes" "Often" "Most of the time"





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Renaming factor levels

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Introduction to FiveThirtyEight dataset

A tibble: 1,040 x 27

	RespondentID	travel_amount	do_recline	height
	<dbl></dbl>	<fct></fct>	<fct></fct>	<fct></fct>
1	3436139758	Once a year or le.	NA	NA
2	3434278696	Once a year or le.	About half th.	"6'3\""
3	3434275578	Once a year or le.	Usually	"5'8\""
4	3434268208	Once a year or le.	Always	"5'11\""
5	3434250245	Once a month or l.	About half th.	"5'7\""
# .	with 1,035	5 more rows, and 23	more variables:	
#	children_sub	_18 <fct>, middle_a</fct>	arm_rest_three <fo< td=""><td>ct>,</td></fo<>	ct>,
#	middle_arm_r	rest_two <fct>, wind</fct>	dow_shade_control	<fct>,</fct>
#	rude_move_se	eats <fct>, rude_ta</fct>	lk <fct>,</fct>	
#	times_get_up	o <fct>, recliner_ol</fct>	oligation <fct>,</fct>	
#	rude_recline	e <fct>, eliminate_n</fct>	recline <fct>,</fct>	
#	rude_switch_	_seats_friend <fct>,</fct>	,	
#	rude_switch_	_seats_family <fct>,</fct>	, rude_bathroom < ⁻	fct>,
#	rude_walking	g <fct>, rude_baby <</fct>	<fct>,</fct>	
#	rude_unruly_	_children <fct>, per</fct>	rsonal_electronics	s <fct>,</fct>
#	smoking <fct< td=""><td>:>, gender <fct>, ag</fct></td><td>ge <fct>, income <</fct></td><td><fct>,</fct></td></fct<>	:>, gender <fct>, ag</fct>	ge <fct>, income <</fct>	<fct>,</fct>
#	education <1	ct>, location <fct< td=""><td>></td><td></td></fct<>	>	

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fct_recode()

levels(flying_etiquette\$middle_arm_rest_three)

[1]	"Other (please specify)"
[2]	"The arm rests should be shared"
[3]	"The people in the aisle and window seats get both arm rests"
[4]	"The person in the middle seat gets both arm rests"
[5]	"Whoever puts their arm on the arm rest first"

```
ggplot(flying_etiquette,
    aes(x = fct_infreq(middle_arm_rest_three))) +
    geom_bar() +
    labs(x = "Arm rest opinions")
```



Crowded text



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Extraneous text

```
ggplot(flying_etiquette,
    aes(x = fct_infreq(middle_arm_rest_three))) +
    geom_bar() +
    coord_flip() +
    labs(x = "Arm rest opinions")
```





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Changing with fct_recode()

```
flying_etiquette %>%
    mutate(middle_arm_rest_three = fct_recode(middle_arm_rest_three,
    "Other" = "Other (please specify)",
    "Everyone should share" = "The arm rests should be shared",
    "Aisle and window people" =
    "The people in the aisle and window seats get both arm rests",
    "Middle person" = "The person in the middle seat gets both arm rests",
    "Fastest person" = "Whoever puts their arm on the arm rest first"
  )) %>%
  count(middle_arm_rest_three)
```

#	A tibble: 6 x 2	
	middle_arm_rest_three	n
	<fct></fct>	<int></int>
1	Everyone should share	587
2	Middle person	119
3	Fastest person	87
4	Other	45
5	Aisle and window people	18
6	NA	184



Renaming a couple levels

flying_etiquette %>%
 mutate(middle_arm_rest_three = fct_recode(middle_arm_rest_three,
 "Everyone should share" = "The arm rests should be shared")) %>%
 count(middle_arm_rest_three)

# A tibble: 6 x 2		
middle_arm_rest_three	n	
<fct></fct>	<int></int>	
1 Other (please specify)	45	
2 Everyone should share	587	
3 The people in the aisle and window seats get both .	18	
4 The person in the middle seat gets both arm rests	119	
5 Whoever puts their arm on the arm rest first	87	
6 NA	184	

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Renaming unknown levels

flying_etiquette %>%
 mutate(middle_arm_rest_three = fct_recode(middle_arm_rest_three,
 "Everyone should share" = "arm rests should be share")) %>%
 count(middle_arm_rest_three)

# A tibble: 6 x 2		
middle_arm_rest_three	n	
<fct></fct>	<int></int>	
1 Other (please specify)	45	
2 The arm rests should be shared	587	
3 The people in the aisle and window seats get both	18	
4 The person in the middle seat gets both arm rests	119	
5 Whoever puts their arm on the arm rest first	87	
6 NA	184	
Warning message:		
Unknown levels in `f`: arm rests should be share		

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Collapsing factor levels

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Frequency of Heights in 538 Flying Etiquette Survey



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fct_collapse()



[1]	"under_5_3"	"5'10\""	"5'11\""	"5'3\""
[5]	"5'4\""	"5'5\""	"5'6\""	"5'7\""
[9]	"5'8\""	"5'9\""	"6'0\""	"over_6_1"





fct_other(): keep

flying_etiquette %>%

```
mutate(new_height = fct_other(height, keep = c("6'4\"", "5'1\""))) %>%
count(new_height)
```

#	A tibble: 4	́н х 2
	new_height	n
	<fct></fct>	<int></int>
1	"5'1\""	19
2	"6'4\""	11
3	Other	828
4	NA	182



fct_other(): drop

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flying_etiquette %>%
 mutate(new_height = fct_other(height,
 drop = c("Under 5 ft.", "5'0\"", "5'1\"", "5'2\"", "5'3\""))) %>%
 pull(new_height) %>%
 levels()

[1]	"5'4\""	"5'5\""	"5'6\""
[4]	"5'7\""	"5'8\""	"5'9\""
[7]	"5'10\""	"5'11\""	"6'0\""
[10]	"6'1\""	"6'2\""	"6'3\""
[13]	"6'4\""	"6'5\""	"6'6\" and above"
[16]	"Other"		

fct_lump(): prop

flying_etiquette %>% mutate(new_height = fct_lump(height, prop = .08)) %>% count(new_height)

	new_height	n
	<fct></fct>	<int></int>
1	"5'4\""	79
2	"5'6\""	75
3	"5'7\""	76
4	"5'8\""	76
5	Other	552
6	NA	182





fct_lump()` n

flying_etiquette %>% mutate(new_height = fct_lump(height, n = 3)) %>% count(new_height)

	new_height	n
	<fct></fct>	<int></int>
1	"5'4\""	79
2	"5'7\""	76
3	"5'8\""	76
4	Other	627
5	NA	182





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