

Break in Processing

The BREAK function allows you to abort Natural activity if it takes too long or if it has been started by mistake.

In addition to the TRACE value (see above), you can define a BREAK value in your user profile. This causes Natural to prompt you whether to abort or continue with the current function. This feature is available with the LIST function.

For example, if you set the BREAK value at 3 and you issue a LIST command that reads a large number of data, you are prompted to interrupt processing if after 3 trace windows the function has not completed:

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PROCESSING 104 MEMBERS
BREAK PROCESS(Y/N) _
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You can abort the function by entering **Y** in the input field. **N** continues the function.

The BREAK value can be modified either directly in your user profile or using the BREAK session command:

Command	Meaning
BREAK 2	You are prompted to abort the function every 2 trace windows.
BREAK 00	Break function is disabled.
BREAK OFF	Break function is disabled.