

# Package ‘yfscreen’

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## Details

yfscreen is a package that provides simple and efficient access to Yahoo Finance's screener functionality for querying and retrieval of financial data.

The core functionality of the screen package abstracts the complexities of interacting with Yahoo Finance APIs, such as session management, crumb and cookie handling, query construction, pagination, and JSON payload generation. This abstraction allows users to focus on filtering and retrieving data rather than managing API details. Use cases include screening across a range of asset classes:

- **Equities:** coverage spans 50 regions to enable the identification of top-performing stocks based on specified criteria
- **Mutual funds:** funds can be screened using metrics such as historical performance, performance ratings, and other factors
- **ETFs:** a wide range of ETFs can be filtered by criteria including expense ratio, historical performance, and additional attributes
- **Indices:** stock market indices are available and often categorized by sector, industry, or the overall market
- **Futures:** futures contracts can be screened by exchange, price percent changes, and regional specifications

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create\_payload

*Create a Payload for the Yahoo Finance API*

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### Description

A function to create a payload to query the Yahoo Finance API with customizable parameters.

### Usage

```
create_payload(sec_type = "equity", query = NULL, size = 25,
              offset = 0, sort_field = NULL, sort_type = NULL,
              top_operator = "and")
```

### Arguments

sec_type	string. Type of security to search (i.e., "equity", "mutualfund", "etf", "index", "future").
query	list. Structured query to filter results created by the <a href="#">create_query</a> function.
size	integer. Number of results to return.
offset	integer. Starting position of the results.
sort_field	string. Field to sort the results.
sort_type	string. Type of sort to apply (i.e., "asc", "desc").
top_operator	string. Logical operator for the top-level of the query (i.e., "and", "or")

### Value

A list representing the payload to be sent to the Yahoo Finance API with the specified parameters.

**Examples**

```

filters <- list(
  list("eq", list("region", "us")),
  list("btwn", list("intradaymarketcap", 2000000000, 10000000000)),
  list("btwn", list("intradaymarketcap", 10000000000, 100000000000)),
  list("gt", list("intradaymarketcap", 100000000000)),
  list("gt", list("dayvolume", 5000000))
)

query <- create_query(filters)

payload <- create_payload("equity", query)

```

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create\_query

*Create a Structured Query for the Yahoo Finance API*


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**Description**

A function to create a structured query with logical operations and nested conditions formatted for the Yahoo Finance API.

**Usage**

```

create_query(filters = list("eq", list("region", "us")),
  top_operator = "and")

```

**Arguments**

filters	list. Each element is a sublist that defines a filtering condition with the following structure:
	comparison string. Comparison operator (i.e., "gt", "lt", "eq", "btwn").
	field list. Field name (e.g. "region") and its associated value(s).
top_operator	string. Top-level logical operator to combine all filters (i.e., "and", "or").

**Value**

A nested list representing the structured query with logical operations and nested conditions formatted for the Yahoo Finance API.

**Examples**

```

filters <- list(
  list("eq", list("region", "us")),
  list("btwn", list("intradaymarketcap", 2000000000, 10000000000)),
  list("btwn", list("intradaymarketcap", 10000000000, 100000000000)),
  list("gt", list("intradaymarketcap", 100000000000)),
  list("gt", list("dayvolume", 5000000))
)

```

```
query <- create_query(filters)
```

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data_categoryname	<i>Category Name Data for the Yahoo Finance API</i>
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**Description**

A data frame with the available category name data for the Yahoo Finance API.

**Usage**

```
data_categoryname
```

**Format**

A data frame.

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data_errors	<i>Errors Data for the Yahoo Finance API</i>
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**Description**

A data frame with the available errors data for the Yahoo Finance API.

**Usage**

```
data_errors
```

**Format**

A data frame.

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data_exchange	<i>Exchange Data for the Yahoo Finance API</i>
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**Description**

A data frame with the available exchange data for the Yahoo Finance API.

**Usage**

```
data_exchange
```

**Format**

A data frame.

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data_filters	<i>Filters Data for the Yahoo Finance API</i>
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**Description**

A data frame with the available filters data for the Yahoo Finance API.

**Usage**

data\_filters

**Format**

A data frame.

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data_fundfamilyname	<i>Fund Family Name Data for the Yahoo Finance API</i>
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**Description**

A data frame with the available fund family name data for the Yahoo Finance API.

**Usage**

data\_fundfamilyname

**Format**

A data frame.

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data_industry	<i>Industry Data for the Yahoo Finance API</i>
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**Description**

A data frame with the available industry name for the Yahoo Finance API.

**Usage**

data\_industry

**Format**

A data frame.

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data_peer_group	<i>Peer Group Data for the Yahoo Finance API</i>
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**Description**

A data frame with the available peer group data for the Yahoo Finance API.

**Usage**

```
data_peer_group
```

**Format**

A data frame.

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data_region	<i>Regions Data for the Yahoo Finance API</i>
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**Description**

A data frame with the available regions for the Yahoo Finance API.

**Usage**

```
data_region
```

**Format**

A data frame.

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data_sector	<i>Sector Data for the Yahoo Finance API</i>
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**Description**

A data frame with the available sector data for the Yahoo Finance API.

**Usage**

```
data_sector
```

**Format**

A data frame.

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`get_data`*Get Data from the Yahoo Finance API*

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**Description**

A function to get data from the Yahoo Finance API using the specified payload.

**Usage**

```
get_data(payload = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

`payload` list. Payload that contains search criteria created using the [create\\_query](#) and [create\\_payload](#) functions.

**Value**

A data frame that contains data from the Yahoo Finance API for the specified search criteria.

**Examples**

```
filters <- list(
  list("eq", list("region", "us")),
  list("btwn", list("intradaymarketcap", 2000000000, 10000000000)),
  list("btwn", list("intradaymarketcap", 10000000000, 100000000000)),
  list("gt", list("intradaymarketcap", 100000000000)),
  list("gt", list("dayvolume", 5000000))
)

query <- create_query(filters)

payload <- create_payload("equity", query)

## Not run:
data <- get_data(payload)

## End(Not run)
```

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`get_session`*Get the Crumb, Cookies, and Handle for Yahoo Finance API*

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**Description**

A function to get the crumb, cookies, and handle required to authenticate and interact with the Yahoo Finance API.



**Usage**

```
get_session()
```

**Value**

A list containing the following elements:

handle	A curl handle object for subsequent requests.
crumb	A string representing the crumb value for authentication.
cookies	A data frame of cookies for the request.

**Examples**

```
session <- get_session()
```

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