

Re: Type of Data Returned by a Function

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On Sat, 21 Jul 2007 00:32:06 +0200, Sanders Kaufman <bucky@xxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote:

I've noticed that some code analyzers comment that the type of data returned by my functions is "unknown" in the following syntax:

```
function fnFooBar($aryParameters) {
    $bRetVal = True;
    return $bRetVal;
}
```

I **think** I can specify that by doing something like this:

```
function fnFooBar($aryParameters) bool {
    $bRetVal = true;
    return $bRetVal;
}
```

Is this correct?

If so, is there a performance gain, or is it just clean coding?

There is no such construct, all types in php are pretty loose.

The only thing I can think of that might have something to do with what you say are phpdoc comments:

http://manual.phpdoc.org/HTMLSmartyConverter/HandS/phpDocumentor/tutorial_tags.return.pkg.html

Which work a treat for building some fast documentation for other coders..

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