%* - Inhibit Character Display

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%* in Online Mode

This command may be used when entering sensitive data (for example, passwords). `%*` causes all fields on the current screen to be non-displayable.

When used with the `SET CONTROL` statement, `%*` causes all fields on the next screen to be non-displayable.

%* in Batch Mode

In batch mode, `%*` causes printing of the next input data record to be suppressed. The input line after the line which contains `%*` will not be printed. This is useful, for example, for suppressing the printing of passwords.

Example of `%*` in batch - logon to Natural Security:

```
//CMSYNIN DD *
%*
SYSSEC,DBA,DBA
...
```

The printing of all input data in batch may be controlled with the `ECHO` profile parameter (see the *Parameter Reference*).