Standard

$_	The default or implicit variable
@_	Subroutine parameters
$a $b	Sort comparison routine variables
@ARGV	The command-line args

ID's and Process Information

$$	Process ID
$<	Real user id of process
$>	Effective user id of process
$(	Real group id of process
$)	Effective group id of process
$0	Program name
$^O	Operating System name

Encoding

${^ENCODING}	The object reference to the Encode object, used to convert the source code to Unicode
${^OPEN}	Internal use: \0 separated Input / Output layer information
${^UNICODE}	Read-only Unicode settings
${^UTF8CACHE}	State of the internal UTF-8 offset caching code
${^UTF8LOCALE}	Indicates whether UTF8 locale was detected at startup

Miscellaneous

@F	Autosplit (-a mode) recipient
@INC	List of library paths
%INC	Keys are filenames, values are paths to modules included via `use`, `require`, or `do`
%ENV	Hash containing current environment variables
%SIG	Signal handlers
$[	Array and substr first element (Deprecated!)

Status Reporting

Status Reporting (cont)

$!	Operating System Error. (What just went 'bang'?)
$^E	Extended Operating System Error (Extra error explanation)
$@	Eval error
${^CHILD_ERROR_NATIVE}	Native status returned by the last pipe close, backtick (`` ` ``) command, successful call to wait() or waitpid(), or from the system() operator

IO and Separators

$.	Current line number (or record number) of most recent filehandle
$/	Input record separator
$|	Output autoflush. 1=autoflush, 0=default. Applies to currently selected handle
$,	Output field separator (lists)
$\	Output record separator
$"	Output list separator. (interpolated lists)
$;	Subscript separator. (Use a real multidimensional array instead)

Regular Expressions

Regular Expressions (cont)

${^POSTMATCH}	Similar to $' without performance penalty. Requires /p modifier
$+	Last paren match
$^N	Last closed paren match (last submatch)
@+	Offsets of ends of successful submatches in scope
@-	Offsets of starts of successful submatches in scope
%+	Like @+, but for named submatches
%-	Like @-, but for named submatches
$^R	Last regexp (?{code}) result
${^RE_DEBUG_FLAGS}	Current value of regexp debugging flags. See use re 'debug'
${^RE_TRIE_MAXBUF}	Control memory allocations for RE optimizations for large alternations

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$?	Child error. Status code of most recent system call or pipe

$<digit>	Regexp parenthetical capture holders
$&	Last successful match (degrades performance)
${^MATCH}	Similar to $& without performance penalty. Requires /p modifier
$`	Prematch for last successful match string (degrades performance)
${^PREMATCH}	Similar to $` without performance penalty. Requires /p modifier
$'	Postmatch for last successful match string (degrades performance)

$]	Old: Version and patch number of perl interpreter. Deprecated
$^C	Current value of flag associated with -c switch
$^D	Current value of debugging flags
$^F	Maximum system file descriptor
$^I	Value of the -i (inplace edit) switch
$^M	Emergency Memory pool
$^P	Internal variable for debugging support
$^R	Last regexp (?{code}) result
$^S	Exceptions being caught. (eval)
$^T	Base time of program start
$^V	Perl version

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Perl Status Info (cont)

$^W	Status of -w switch
${^WARNING_BITS}	Current set of warning checks enabled by `use warnings;`
$^X	Perl executable name
${^GLOBAL_PHASE}	Current phase of the Perl interpreter
$^H	Internal use only: Hook into Lexical Scoping
%^H	Internaluse only: Useful to implement scoped pragmas
${^TAINT}	Taint mode read-only flag
${^WIN32_SLOPPY_STAT}	If true on Windows `stat()` won't try to open the file

Command Line Args

ARGV	Filehandle iterates over files from command line (see also <>)
$ARGV	Name of current file when reading <>
@ARGV	List of command line args
ARGVOUT	Output filehandle for -i switch