Quickstart: Use Azure Data Studio to connect and query Azure SQL Database

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In this quickstart, you'll use Azure Data Studio to connect to an Azure SQL Database server. You'll then run Transact-SQL (T-SQL) statements to create and query the TutorialDB database, which is used in other Azure Data Studio tutorials.

Prerequisites

To complete this quickstart, you need Azure Data Studio, and an Azure SQL Database server.

Install Azure Data Studio

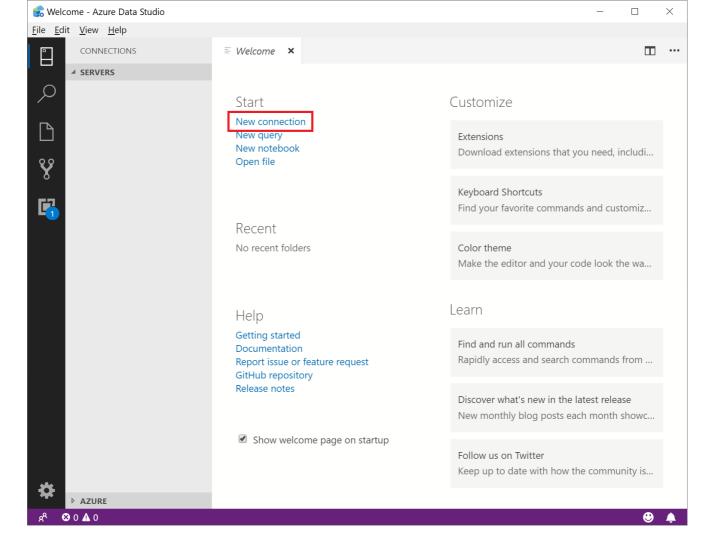
If you don't have an Azure SQL server, complete one of the following Azure SQL Database quickstarts. Remember the fully qualified server name and sign in credentials for later steps:

- Create DB Portal
- Create DB CLI
- Create DB PowerShell

Connect to your Azure SQL Database server

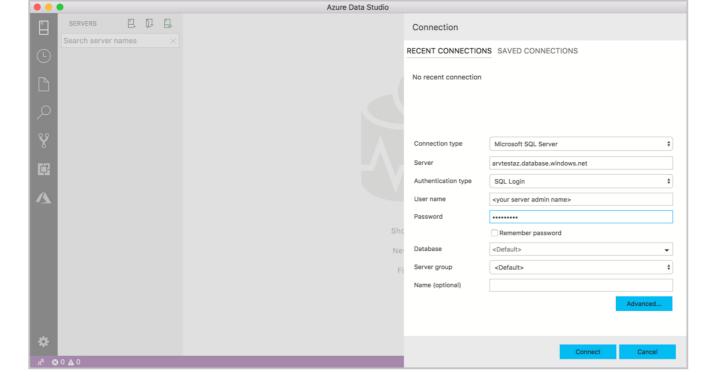
Use Azure Data Studio to establish a connection to your Azure SQL Database server.

1. The first time you run Azure Data Studio the **Welcome** page should open. If you don't see the **Welcome** page, select **Help** > **Welcome**. Select **New Connection** to open the **Connection** pane:

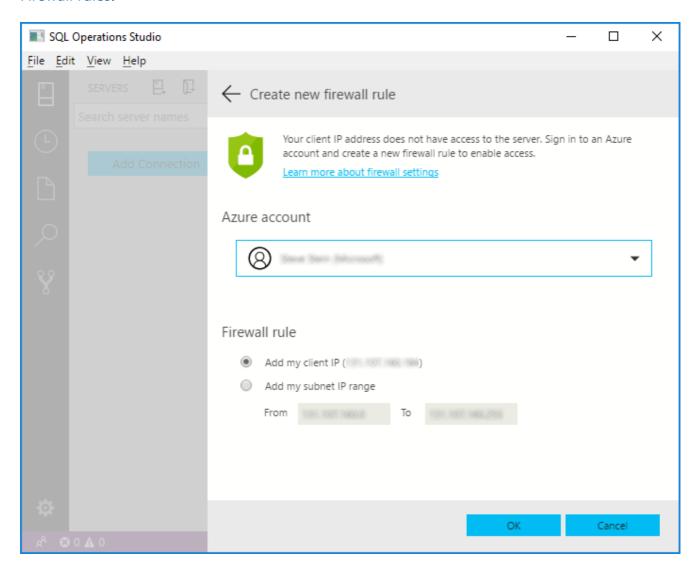


2. This article uses SQL sign-in, but also supports Windows authentication. Fill in the following fields using the server name, user name, and password for your Azure SQL server:

Setting	Suggested value	Description
Server name	The fully qualified server name	Something like: servername.database.windows.net.
Authentication	SQL Login	This tutorial uses SQL Authentication.
User name	The server admin account user name	The user name from the account used to create the server.
Password (SQL Login)	The server admin account password	The password from the account used to create the server.
Save Password?	Yes or No	Select Yes if you don't want to enter the password each time.
Database name	leave blank	You're only connecting to the server here.
Server Group	Select < Default>	You can set this field to a specific server group you created.



- 3. Select Connect.
- 4. If your server doesn't have a firewall rule allowing Azure Data Studio to connect, the **Create new firewall rule** form opens. Complete the form to create a new firewall rule. For details, see Firewall rules.



After successfully connecting, your server opens in the SERVERS sidebar.

Create the tutorial database

The next sections create the TutorialDB database that's used in other Azure Data Studio tutorials.

- 1. Right-click on your Azure SQL server in the **SERVERS** sidebar and select **New Query**.
- 2. Paste this SQL into the query editor.

```
IF NOT EXISTS (
    SELECT name
    FROM sys.databases
    WHERE name = N'TutorialDB'
)
CREATE DATABASE [TutorialDB]
GO

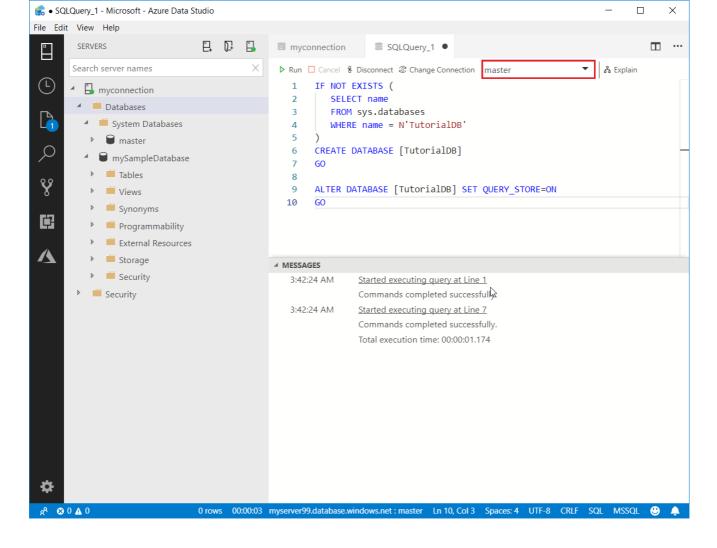
ALTER DATABASE [TutorialDB] SET QUERY_STORE=ON
GO
```

3. From the toolbar, select **Run**. Notifications appear in the **MESSAGES** pane showing query progress.

Create a table

The query editor is connected to the **master** database, but we want to create a table in the **TutorialDB** database.

1. Connect to the **TutorialDB** database.



2. Create a customers table.

Replace the previous query in the query editor with this one and select Run.

```
SQL
-- Create a new table called 'Customers' in schema 'dbo'
-- Drop the table if it already exists
IF OBJECT_ID('dbo.Customers', 'U') IS NOT NULL
DROP TABLE dbo.Customers
G<sub>0</sub>
-- Create the table in the specified schema
CREATE TABLE dbo.Customers
(
   CustomerId
                             NOT NULL
                                        PRIMARY KEY, -- primary key column
                      INT
   Name
             [NVARCHAR](50) NOT NULL,
   Location [NVARCHAR](50) NOT NULL,
   Email
             [NVARCHAR](50) NOT NULL
);
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```

Insert rows into the table

Replace the previous query with this one and select Run.

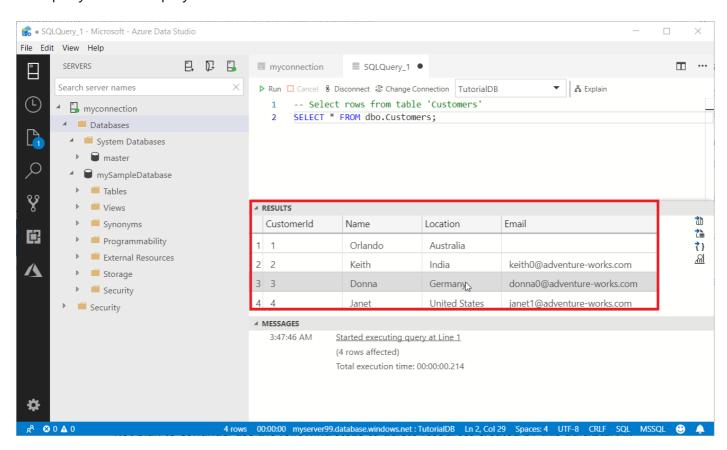
```
-- Insert rows into table 'Customers'
INSERT INTO dbo.Customers
  ([CustomerId],[Name],[Location],[Email])
VALUES
  ( 1, N'Orlando', N'Australia', N''),
  ( 2, N'Keith', N'India', N'keith0@adventure-works.com'),
  ( 3, N'Donna', N'Germany', N'donna0@adventure-works.com'),
  ( 4, N'Janet', N'United States', N'janet1@adventure-works.com')
GO
```

View the result

Replace the previous query with this one and select Run.

```
SQL
-- Select rows from table 'Customers'
SELECT * FROM dbo.Customers;
```

The query results display:



Clean up resources

Later quickstart articles build upon the resources created here. If you plan to work through these articles, be sure not to delete these resources. Otherwise, in the Azure portal, delete the resources you no longer need. For details, see Clean up resources.

Next steps

Now that you've successfully connected to an Azure SQL database and run a query, try the Code editor tutorial.