

# Lab 06: Views

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## Introduction

This lab aims to help students get used to working with views in T-SQL.

## Lab Activities

### Create a simple view

Drop the view if it already exists

```
16 USE AccountPayables;  
17 IF OBJECT_ID('VendorGeneral') IS NOT NULL
```

```

18     DROP VIEW VendorGeneral;
19 GO

    Create the view

23 CREATE VIEW VendorsGeneral
24 AS
25 SELECT VendorID, VendorName, VendorPhone
26 FROM Vendors;

    Test the view

31 SELECT * FROM VendorsGeneral;

```

### Create a view from two tables

```

36 USE AccountPayables;
37 IF OBJECT_ID('VendorInvoices') IS NOT NULL
38     DROP VIEW VendorInvoices;
39 GO

43 CREATE VIEW VendorInvoices
44 AS
45 SELECT VendorName, InvoiceNumber, InvoiceDate, InvoiceTotal
46 FROM Vendors JOIN Invoices ON Vendors.VendorID = Invoices.VendorID;

```

Write some select statements for querying data from the created view.

### Create a view and rename all columns

```

51 USE AccountPayables;
52 IF OBJECT_ID('OutstandingInvoices') IS NOT NULL
53     DROP VIEW OutstandingInvoices;
54 GO

58 CREATE VIEW OutstandingInvoices
59     (InvoiceNumber, InvoiceDate, InvoiceTotal, BalanceDue)
60 AS
61 SELECT InvoiceNumber, InvoiceDate, InvoiceTotal,
62        InvoiceTotal - PaymentTotal - CreditTotal
63 FROM Invoices
64 WHERE InvoiceTotal - PaymentTotal - CreditTotal > 0;

```

Write some select statements for querying data from the created view.

## Create a view and rename some columns

```
69 USE AccountPayables;
70 IF OBJECT_ID('OutstandingInvoices') IS NOT NULL
71     DROP VIEW OutstandingInvoices;
72 GO

76 CREATE VIEW OutstandingInvoices
77 AS
78 SELECT InvoiceNumber, InvoiceDate, InvoiceTotal,
79        InvoiceTotal - PaymentTotal - CreditTotal AS BalanceDue
80 FROM Invoices
81 WHERE InvoiceTotal - PaymentTotal - CreditTotal > 0;
```

Write some select statements for querying data from the created view.

## Create a view with schema\_binding

```
86 USE AccountPayables;
87 IF OBJECT_ID('VendorsDue') IS NOT NULL
88     DROP VIEW VendorsDue;
89 GO

93 CREATE VIEW VendorsDue
94 WITH SCHEMABINDING
95 AS
96 SELECT InvoiceDate AS Date, VendorName AS Name,
97        VendorContactFName + ' ' + VendorContactLName AS Contact,
98        InvoiceNumber AS Invoice,
99        InvoiceTotal - PaymentTotal - CreditTotal AS BalanceDue
100 FROM dbo.Vendors JOIN dbo.Invoices
101     ON Vendors.VendorID = Invoices.VendorID
102 WHERE InvoiceTotal - PaymentTotal - CreditTotal > 0;
```

Write some statements to check if delete operation is allowed for defining tables of the view

## Create an updatable view

```
106 USE AccountPayables;
107 IF OBJECT_ID('VendorPayment') IS NOT NULL
108     DROP VIEW VendorPayment;
109 GO

113 CREATE VIEW VendorPayment
114 AS
```

```

115 SELECT VendorName, InvoiceNumber, InvoiceDate, PaymentDate,
116        InvoiceTotal, CreditTotal, PaymentTotal
117 FROM Invoices JOIN Vendors ON Invoices.VendorID = Vendors.VendorID
118 WHERE InvoiceTotal - PaymentTotal - CreditTotal > 0;

122 SELECT *
123 FROM VendorPayment;

124
125 UPDATE VendorPayment
126 SET PaymentTotal = 19351.18, PaymentDate = '2016-04-02'
127 WHERE VendorName = 'Malloy Lithographing Inc' AND InvoiceNumber = 'P-0608';

```

## Exercises

### Exercise 01

Create a view named InvoiceBasic that returns VendorName, InvoiceNumber, and InvoiceTotal.

Write a select statement that returns all columns in the view, sorted by VendorName, where the first letter of the vendor names is N, O, or P.

### Exercise 02

Create a view named Top10PaidInvoices that returns three columns for each vendor: VendorName, LastInvoice (the most recent invoice date), and SumOfInvoices (the sum of the InvoiceTotal column). Return only the 10 vendors with the largest SumOfInvoices and include only paid invoices (InvoiceTotal - PaymentTotal - CreditTotal = 0).

### Exercise 03

Create an updatable view named VendorAddress that returns the VendorID, both address columns, and the city, state, zip code columns for each vendor.

Write a select statement to examine the result set where VendorID=4.

Write an update statement that changes the address so that the suite number (Ste 260) is stored in VendorAddress2 rather than in VendorAddress1.

Rerun the select query to verify the changes.

### Exercise 04

Write a query to show all foreign keys in the database.

Write a query to count the number of foreign keys in the database.

## **Exercise 05**

Use the view designer to modify the InvoiceBasic view created in exercise 01 to sort the result set by VendorName.

What clause does the system automatically generate to allow the use of order by in the view?