

# SQL (Structured Query Language) in one page

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Database Manipulation																						
CREATE DATABASE <i>database_name</i>	Create a database	CREATE DATABASE My_First_Database																				
DROP DATABASE <i>database_name</i>	Delete a database	DROP DATABASE My_First_Database																				
Table Manipulation																						
CREATE TABLE " <i>table_name</i> " (" <i>column_1</i> " " <i>data_type_for_column_1</i> ", " <i>column_2</i> " " <i>data_type_for_column_2</i> ", ... )	Create a table in a database. <div><table><tr><th colspan="2">Data Types</th></tr><tr><th>Data Type</th><th>Description</th></tr><tr><td>integer(size)</td><td rowspan="4">Hold integers only. The maximum number of digits are specified in parenthesis.</td></tr><tr><td>int(size)</td></tr><tr><td>smallint(size)</td></tr><tr><td>tinyint(size)</td></tr><tr><td>decimal(size,d)</td><td rowspan="2">Hold numbers with fractions. The maximum number of digits are specified in "size". The maximum number of digits to the right of the decimal is specified in "d".</td></tr><tr><td>numeric(size,d)</td></tr><tr><td>char(size)</td><td>Holds a fixed length string (can contain letters, numbers, and special characters). The fixed size is specified in parenthesis.</td></tr><tr><td>varchar(size)</td><td>Holds a variable length string (can contain letters, numbers, and special characters). The maximum size is specified in parenthesis.</td></tr><tr><td>date(yyyymmdd)</td><td>Holds a date</td></tr></table></div>	Data Types		Data Type	Description	integer(size)	Hold integers only. The maximum number of digits are specified in parenthesis.	int(size)	smallint(size)	tinyint(size)	decimal(size,d)	Hold numbers with fractions. The maximum number of digits are specified in "size". The maximum number of digits to the right of the decimal is specified in "d".	numeric(size,d)	char(size)	Holds a fixed length string (can contain letters, numbers, and special characters). The fixed size is specified in parenthesis.	varchar(size)	Holds a variable length string (can contain letters, numbers, and special characters). The maximum size is specified in parenthesis.	date(yyyymmdd)	Holds a date	CREATE TABLE Person (LastName varchar, FirstName varchar, Address varchar, Age int)		
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ALTER TABLE <i>table_name</i> ADD <i>column_name</i> <i>datatype</i>	Add columns in an existing table.	ALTER TABLE Person ADD Sex char(6)																				
ALTER TABLE <i>table_name</i> DROP <i>column_name</i> <i>datatype</i>	Delete columns in an existing table.	ALTER TABLE Person DROP Sex char(6)																				
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Index Manipulation																						
CREATE INDEX <i>index_name</i> ON <i>table_name</i> ( <i>column_name_1</i> , <i>column_name_2</i> , ...)	Create a simple index.	CREATE INDEX PersonIndex ON Person (LastName, FirstName)																				
CREATE UNIQUE INDEX <i>index_name</i> ON <i>table_name</i> ( <i>column_name_1</i> , <i>column_name_2</i> , ...)	Create a unique index.	CREATE UNIQUE INDEX PersonIndex ON Person (LastName DESC)																				
DROP INDEX <i>table_name.index_name</i>	Delete a index.	DROP INDEX Person.PersonIndex																				
Data Manipulation																						
INSERT INTO <i>table_name</i> VALUES ( <i>value_1</i> , <i>value_2</i> ,....)	Insert new rows into a table.	INSERT INTO Persons VALUES('Hussein', 'Saddam', 'White House')																				
INSERT INTO <i>table_name</i> ( <i>column1</i> , <i>column2</i> ,...) VALUES ( <i>value_1</i> , <i>value_2</i> ,....)		INSERT INTO Persons (LastName, FirstName, Address) VALUES('Hussein', 'Saddam', 'White House')																				
UPDATE <i>table_name</i> SET <i>column_name_1</i> = <i>new_value_1</i> , <i>column_name_2</i> = <i>new_value_2</i> WHERE <i>column_name</i> = <i>some_value</i>	Update one or several columns in rows.	UPDATE Person SET Address = 'ups' WHERE LastName = 'Hussein'																				
DELETE FROM <i>table_name</i> WHERE <i>column_name</i> = <i>some_value</i>	Delete rows in a table.	DELETE FROM Person WHERE LastName = 'Hussein'																				
TRUNCATE TABLE <i>table_name</i>	Deletes the data inside the table.	TRUNCATE TABLE Person																				
Select																						
SELECT <i>column_name(s)</i> FROM <i>table_name</i>	Select data from a table.	SELECT LastName, FirstName FROM Persons																				
SELECT * FROM <i>table_name</i>	Select all data from a table.	SELECT * FROM Persons																				
SELECT DISTINCT <i>column_name(s)</i> FROM <i>table_name</i>	Select only distinct (different) data from a table.	SELECT DISTINCT LastName, FirstName FROM Persons																				
SELECT <i>column_name(s)</i> FROM <i>table_name</i> WHERE <i>column operator value</i> AND <i>column operator value</i> OR <i>column operator value</i> AND (... OR ...) ...	Select only certain data from a table. <div><table><tr><th colspan="2">Operators</th></tr><tr><th>Operator</th><th>Description</th></tr><tr><td>=</td><td>Equal</td></tr><tr><td>&lt;&gt;</td><td>Not equal</td></tr><tr><td>&gt;</td><td>Greater than</td></tr><tr><td>&lt;</td><td>Less than</td></tr><tr><td>&gt;=</td><td>Greater than or equal</td></tr><tr><td>&lt;=</td><td>Less than or equal</td></tr><tr><td>BETWEEN</td><td>Between an inclusive range</td></tr><tr><td>LIKE</td><td>Search for a pattern. A "%" sign can be used to define wildcards (missing letters in the pattern) both before and after the pattern.</td></tr></table></div>	Operators		Operator	Description	=	Equal	<>	Not equal	>	Greater than	<	Less than	>=	Greater than or equal	<=	Less than or equal	BETWEEN	Between an inclusive range	LIKE	Search for a pattern. A "%" sign can be used to define wildcards (missing letters in the pattern) both before and after the pattern.	SELECT * FROM Persons WHERE sex='female' SELECT * FROM Persons WHERE Year>1970 SELECT * FROM Persons WHERE FirstName='Saddam' AND LastName='Hussein'  SELECT * FROM Persons WHERE FirstName='Saddam' OR LastName='Hussein'  SELECT * FROM Persons WHERE (FirstName='Tove' OR FirstName='Stephen') AND LastName='Svendson'  SELECT * FROM Persons WHERE FirstName LIKE 'O%' SELECT * FROM Persons WHERE FirstName LIKE '%a' SELECT * FROM Persons WHERE FirstName LIKE '%la%'
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SELECT <i>column_name(s)</i> FROM <i>table_name</i> WHERE <i>column_name</i> IN ( <i>value1</i> , <i>value2</i> , ...)	The IN operator may be used if you know the exact value you want to return for at least one of the columns.	SELECT * FROM Persons WHERE LastName IN ('Hansen','Pettersen')																				
SELECT <i>column_name(s)</i> FROM <i>table_name</i> ORDER BY <i>row_1</i> , <i>row_2</i> DESC, <i>row_3</i> ASC, ...	Select data from a table with sort the rows.  Note: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>ASC (ascend) is a alphabetical and numerical order (optional)</li><li>DESC (descend) is a reverse alphabetical and numerical order</li></ul>	SELECT * FROM Persons ORDER BY LastName  SELECT FirstName, LastName FROM Persons ORDER BY LastName DESC  SELECT Company, OrderNumber FROM Orders ORDER BY Company DESC, OrderNumber ASC																				

**SELECT** *column\_1, ..., SUM(group\_column\_name)*  
**FROM** *table\_name*  
**GROUP BY** *group\_column\_name*

GROUP BY... was added to SQL because aggregate functions (like SUM) return the aggregate of all column values every time they are called, and without the GROUP BY function it was impossible to find the sum for each individual group of column values.

SELECT Company, SUM(Amount)  
 FROM Sales  
 GROUP BY Company

Some aggregate functions	
Function	Description
AVG(column)	Returns the average value of a column
COUNT(column)	Returns the number of rows (without a NULL value) of a column
MAX(column)	Returns the highest value of a column
MIN(column)	Returns the lowest value of a column
SUM(column)	Returns the total sum of a column

**SELECT** *column\_1, ..., SUM(group\_column\_name)*  
**FROM** *table\_name*  
**GROUP BY** *group\_column\_name*  
**HAVING** *SUM(group\_column\_name) condition value*

HAVING... was added to SQL because the WHERE keyword could not be used against aggregate functions (like SUM), and without HAVING... it would be impossible to test for result conditions.

SELECT Company, SUM(Amount)  
 FROM Sales  
 GROUP BY Company  
 HAVING SUM(Amount)>10000

## Alias

**SELECT** *column\_name AS column\_alias* **FROM** *table\_name*

Column name alias

SELECT LastName AS Family, FirstName AS Name  
 FROM Persons

**SELECT** *table\_alias.column\_name* **FROM** *table\_name AS table\_alias*

Table name alias

SELECT LastName, FirstName  
 FROM Persons AS Employees

## Join

**SELECT** *column\_1\_name, column\_2\_name, ...*  
**FROM** *first\_table\_name*  
**INNER JOIN** *second\_table\_name*  
**ON** *first\_table\_name.keyfield =*  
*second\_table\_name.foreign\_keyfield*

The INNER JOIN returns all rows from both tables where there is a match. If there are rows in first table that do not have matches in second table, those rows will not be listed.

SELECT Employees.Name, Orders.Product  
 FROM Employees  
 INNER JOIN Orders  
 ON Employees.Employee\_ID=Orders.Employee\_ID

**SELECT** *column\_1\_name, column\_2\_name, ...*  
**FROM** *first\_table\_name*  
**LEFT JOIN** *second\_table\_name*  
**ON** *first\_table\_name.keyfield =*  
*second\_table\_name.foreign\_keyfield*

The LEFT JOIN returns all the rows from the first table, even if there are no matches in the second table. If there are rows in first table that do not have matches in second table, those rows also will be listed.

SELECT Employees.Name, Orders.Product  
 FROM Employees  
 LEFT JOIN Orders  
 ON Employees.Employee\_ID=Orders.Employee\_ID

**SELECT** *column\_1\_name, column\_2\_name, ...*  
**FROM** *first\_table\_name*  
**RIGHT JOIN** *second\_table\_name*  
**ON** *first\_table\_name.keyfield =*  
*second\_table\_name.foreign\_keyfield*

The RIGHT JOIN returns all the rows from the second table, even if there are no matches in the first table. If there had been any rows in second table that did not have matches in first table, those rows also would have been listed.

SELECT Employees.Name, Orders.Product  
 FROM Employees  
 RIGHT JOIN Orders  
 ON Employees.Employee\_ID=Orders.Employee\_ID

## UNION

*SQL\_Statement\_1*  
**UNION**  
*SQL\_Statement\_2*  
*SQL\_Statement\_1*  
**UNION ALL**  
*SQL\_Statement\_2*

Select all different values from *SQL\_Statement\_1* and *SQL\_Statement\_2*

SELECT E\_Name FROM Employees\_Norway  
 UNION  
 SELECT E\_Name FROM Employees\_USA  
 SELECT E\_Name FROM Employees\_Norway  
 UNION  
 SELECT E\_Name FROM Employees\_USA

## SELECT INTO/IN

**SELECT** *column\_name(s)*  
**INTO** *new\_table\_name*  
**FROM** *source\_table\_name*  
**WHERE** *query*

Select data from table(S) and insert it into another table.

SELECT \* INTO Persons\_backup FROM Persons

**SELECT** *column\_name(s)*  
**IN** *external\_database\_name*  
**FROM** *source\_table\_name*  
**WHERE** *query*

Select data from table(S) and insert it in another database.

SELECT Persons.\* INTO Persons IN 'Backup.db' FROM  
 Persons WHERE City='Sandnes'

## CREATE VIEW

**CREATE VIEW** *view\_name* **AS**  
**SELECT** *column\_name(s)*  
**FROM** *table\_name*  
**WHERE** *condition*

Create a virtual table based on the result-set of a SELECT statement.

CREATE VIEW [Current Product List] AS  
 SELECT ProductID, ProductName  
 FROM Products  
 WHERE Discontinued=No

## OTHER

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