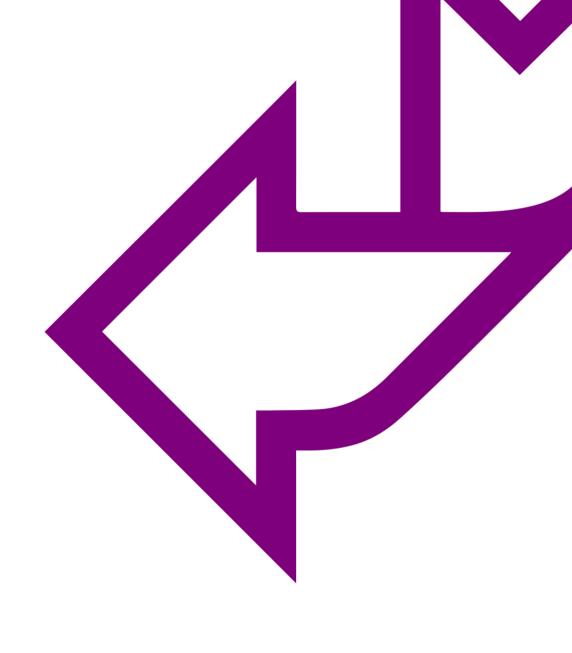


Retrieving Data





OVERVIEW

- SELECT statement
- Select lists
- Expressions
- Changing column names
- Best practices
- Hands-on lab



OBJECTIVES

At the end of this module you will be able to:

- → write a query that retrieves every column of every row in a table.
- → write a query that retrieves only some columns from a table.
- → write a query that calculates some of its column values.

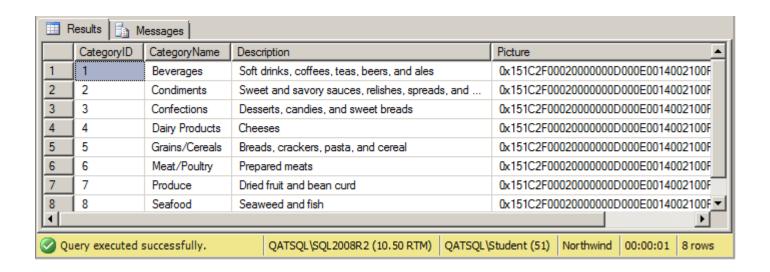


SELECT STATEMENT

- **SELECT** <<field(s)>>
- FROM <<table(s)>>
- WHERE <<condition(s)>>
- GROUP BY <<field(s)>>
- HAVING <<condition(s)>>
- ORDER BY <<field(s)>>

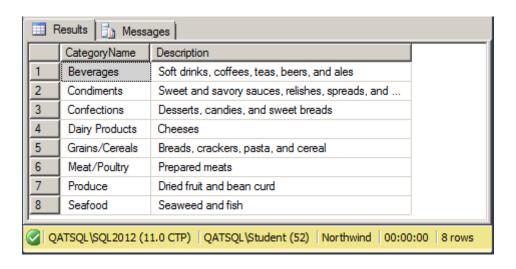
QA SELECT *

- SELECT * FROM tablename
- Example:
- SELECT * FROM Categories



QA Select lists

- **SELECT** col1, ..., coln **FROM** tablename
- Example:
- SELECT CategoryName, Description
- FROM *Categories*



QA Expressions in select lists

- "Calculated" values
- Expression types:

Туре	Operators
· Arithmetic operators	+, -, *, /, % e.g. UnitsInStock + UnitsOnOrder
 String concatenation operator 	+ e.g. FirstName + ' ' + LastName

QA Expressions examples (1)

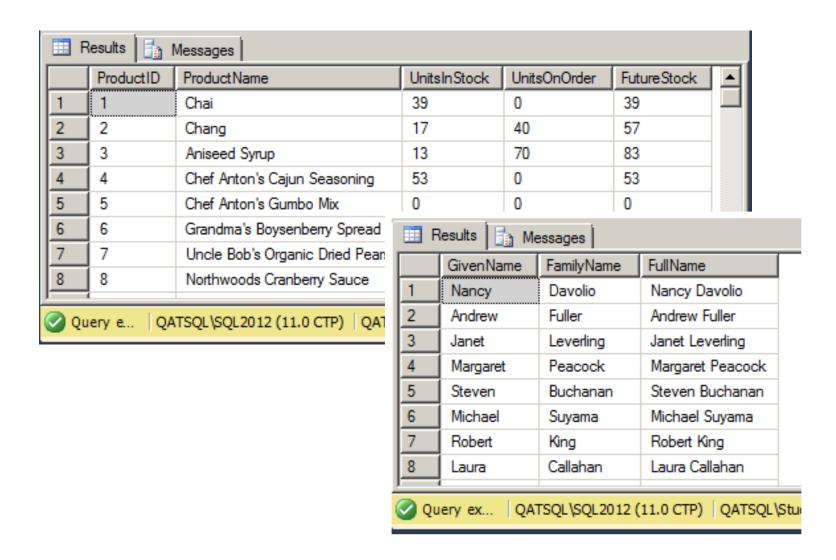
→ SELECT ProductID, ProductName,
UnitsInStock, UnitsOnOrder,
UnitsInStock + UnitsOnOrder
FROM Products

Produc	tID ProductName	UnitsInStock	UnitsOnOrder	(No column name)
1	Chai	39	0	39
2	Chang	17	40	57
3	Aniseed Syrup	13	70	83
4	Chef Anton's Cajun Seasoning	53	0	53
5	Chef Anton's Gumbo Mix	0	0	0
6	Grandma's Boysenberry Sprea	d 120	0	120
7	Uncle Bob's Organic Dried Pe	ars 15	0	15
8	Northwoods Cranberry Sauce	6	0	6
9	Mishi Kobe Niku	29	0	29

Q^ Expressions examples (2)

<u></u>	Results Messages Messages								
	FirstName	LastName	(No column name)				_		
1	Nancy	Davolio	Nancy Davolio						
2	Andrew	Fuller	Andrew Fuller						
3	Janet	Leverling	Janet Leverling						
4	Margaret	Peacock	Margaret Peacock						
5	Steven	Buchanan	Steven Buchanan						
6	Michael	Suyama	Michael Suyama						
7	Robert	King	Robert King						
8	Laura	Callahan	Laura Callahan						
9	Anne	Dodsworth	Anne Dodsworth				▼		
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QA Changing column names





BEST PRACTICES

- Script formatting
- Comments
- Four-part names

QA Script formatting

- SQL is not case-sensitive
- SQL ignores whitespace

SELECT ProductID, ProductName, UnitsInStock, UnitsOnOrder FROM Products

Best practice: BE CONSISTENT!

select productid, productname, unitsinstock, unitsonorder from products

SELECT

 $\label{eq:production} \textbf{ProductName, UnitsInStock, UnitsOnOrder} \\ \textbf{FROM} \\$

Products

SELECT
ProductID,
ProductName,
UnitsInStock,
UnitsOnOrder
FROM
Products

ProductID,
ProductName,

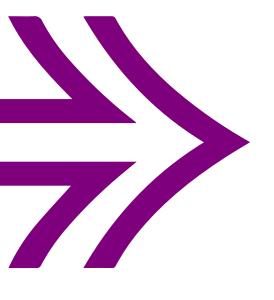
UnitsInStock, UnitsOnOrder

FROM

Products



Comments



Ignored by SQL

Add documentation to your scripts

Two styles:

```
    SELECT
        UnitsInStock + UnitsOnOrder AS
        FutureStock -- calculate FS
        FROM
            Products
        and
```

```
• /*
This query gets a list of employees
with their full names
*/
SELECT FirstName + ' ' + LastName AS Name
FROM Employees
```

Best practice: comment your scripts

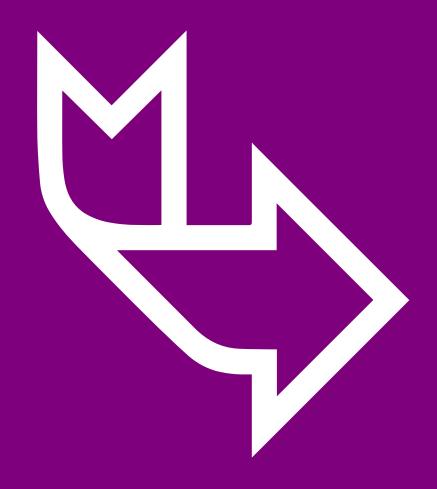


FOUR-PART NAMES

Referring to tables in queries:

- FROM Employees
- FROM dbo.Employees
- FROM Northwind.dbo.Employees
- FROM QATSQL.Northwind.dbo.Employees

Best Practice: Use at least two-part names



Hands-on lab



HANDS-ON LAB

- Basic SELECT statements
- Expressions in select lists



Review

- SELECT * FROM ...
- SELECT columns FROM ...
- SELECT calculatedColumns FROM ...
- Comments
- Four-part names

