

- The data that you need is not always directly stored in the tables. Sometimes you need to perform calculations on the stored data in order to present it to the end user.
- For example, you cannot get the total amount of each order by simply querying from the orderdetails table because the orderdetails table stores only quantity and price of each item. You have to select the quantity and price for each item on an order and calculate the total order value.
- We use aggregate functions for this task. By definition an aggregate function performs a calculation on a set of values and returns a single value.



- There are several aggregate functions available in MySQL:
 - MIN
 - MAX
 - SUM
 - AVG
 - COUNT
- An aggregate function can be applied to a whole table or a group of rows on a table.
- An aggregate function will ignore null values.

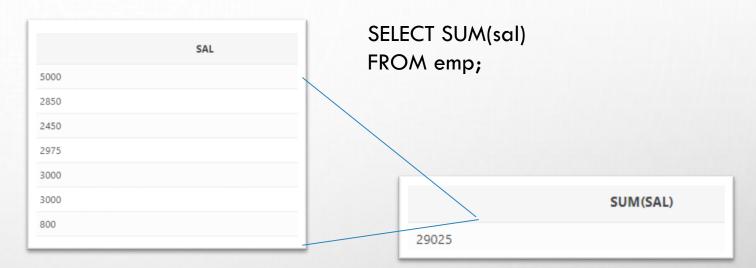


- Min: used on any data type to return the minimum value
- Max: used on any data type to return the maximum value





- Sum: used on numeric data to find the total or sum of values
- Avg: used on numeric data to find the average





• Count: returns the number of rows for customers that had order issues resolved.

SELECT COUNT(c.customerNumber)

FROM customers c

INNER JOIN orders o ON c.customerNumber = o.customerNumber

WHERE o.status = 'Resolved';



- Group functions are written in the select clause
- They cannot be written in the where clause

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SELECT lastName,
   firstName
   from employees
   where employeeNumber= min(employeeNumber);
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Min used with any data type

Examples	Result
SELECT MIN(lifeExpectancy) AS "Lowest life expentancy" FROM countries;	37.2
SELECT MIN(Name) FROM country;	Afghanistan
SELECT MIN(orderDate) FROM orders;	2003-01-06



Max used on any data type

Examples	Result
SELECT MAX(lifeExpectancy) AS "Lowest life expentancy" FROM countries;	83.5
SELECT MAX(Name) FROM country;	Zimbabwe
SELECT MAX(orderDate) FROM orders;	2005-05-31



• Sum used on numeric data

Examples	Result
SELECT SUM(SurfaceArea) FROM country WHERE region = 'Caribbean';	234423
SELECT SUM(creditLimit) FROM customers WHERE state = 'NSW';	201100



• AVG used on numeric data

Examples	Result
SELECT AVG(SurfaceArea) FROM country WHERE continent = 'Europe';	501068.128261
SELECT AVG(creditLimit) FROM customers WHERE state = 'NSW';	100550



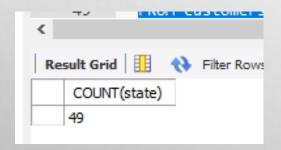
• You can have more than one group function in the select clause, on the same or different columns

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	AVG(SurfaceArea)	MIN(surfaceArea)	SUM(surfaceArea)	
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Count returns the number of non-null values in the column

SELECT COUNT (state) FROM customers;

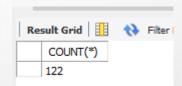




Count(*) returns a count of all rows in a table

SELECT count(*)

FROM customers;



• We use count when we want to count all rows even those that have nulls



• Sometimes you want to include null values in group functions

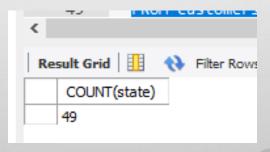
SELECT COUNT(IFNULL(state,0))

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FROM customers;

SELECT COUNT(state)

FROM customers;



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