# SQL\_queries\_with\_csv

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### 0.0.1 How to work with .csv files using SQL

SQL queries are typically used with relational databases, but you can query CSV files using SQL-like syntax with certain tools. Here are a few methods to achieve this:

### 0.0.2 1. Using SQLite with CSV Files

SQLite is a lightweight database that supports SQL queries. You can import CSV files into an SQLite database and then run SQL queries on them.

**Steps:** 1. **Install SQLite** if it's not already installed. 2. **Create an SQLite database**. 3. **Import the CSV file** into the SQLite database. 4. **Run SQL queries** on the imported data.

**Example:** 1. Install SQLite (if not installed): sh sudo apt-get install sqlite3 # Linux brew install sqlite # macOS

- 2. Create an SQLite database and import a CSV file: sh sqlite3 mydatabase.db .mode csv .import myfile.csv mytable
- 3. Run SQL queries: sql SELECT \* FROM mytable WHERE salary > 50000;

## 0.0.3 2. Using Python with Pandas and SQLAlchemy

You can use the Pandas library in Python to read CSV files and then use SQLAlchemy to run SQL-like queries.

**Steps:** 1. **Install Pandas and SQLAlchemy** if not already installed. 2. **Read the CSV file** using Pandas. 3. **Use SQLAlchemy** to run SQL queries on the DataFrame.

### **Example:**

```
import pandas as pd
from sqlalchemy import create_engine

# Read the CSV file into a Pandas DataFrame
df = pd.read_csv('myfile.csv')

# Create an in-memory SQLite database
engine = create_engine('sqlite://', echo=False)
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# Write the DataFrame to the SQLite database
df.to_sql('mytable', con=engine, index=False)

# Run SQL queries
result = engine.execute("SELECT * FROM mytable WHERE salary > 50000").fetchall()
print(result)
```

## 0.0.4 3. Using CSVSQL from CSVKit

CSVKit is a suite of utilities for converting to and working with CSV files. csvsql is a command-line tool that allows you to run SQL queries on CSV files directly.

Steps: 1. Install CSVKit if not already installed. 2. Run SQL queries using csvsql.

```
Example: 1. Install CSVKit: sh pip install csvkit
```

```
2. Run SQL queries: sh csvsql --query "SELECT * FROM myfile WHERE salary > 50000" myfile.csv
```

These methods allow you to leverage SQL queries for CSV files without requiring a traditional relational database management system. Choose the method that best fits your environment and workflow.