

Data Definition and Constraints

The CREATE statement in SQL has a few important constraints that are highlightec

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NOT NULL

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The **NOT NULL** constraint indicates that the column cannot contain a null value.

Here is the syntax for adding a NOT NULL constraint to the CREATE statement:

```
CREATE TABLE IF NOT EXISTS customer_transactions (
    customer_id int NOT NULL,
    store_id int,
    spent numeric
);
```

You can add **NOT NULL** constraints to more than one column. Usually this occurs **COMPOSITE KEY**, which will be discussed further below.

Here is the syntax for it:

```
CREATE TABLE IF NOT EXISTS customer_transactions (
    customer_id int NOT NULL,
    store_id int NOT NULL,
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);
```

UNIQUE

The **UNIQUE** constraint is used to specify that the data across all the rows in one c within the table. The **UNIQUE** constraint can also be used for multiple columns, so combination of the values across those columns will be unique within the table. In values within 1 column do not need to be unique.

Let's look at an example.

```
CREATE TABLE IF NOT EXISTS customer_transactions (
    customer_id int NOT NULL UNIQUE,
    store_id int NOT NULL UNIQUE,
    spent numeric
);
```

Another way to write a **UNIQUE** constraint is to add a table constraint using comm columns.

```
CREATE TABLE IF NOT EXISTS customer_transactions (
    customer_id int NOT NULL,
    store_id int NOT NULL,
    spent numeric,
    UNIQUE (customer_id, store_id, spent)
);
```

PRIMARY KEY