

THE TOP 5 DATABASE SYSTEMS

ITEM #1

The Oracle logo, featuring the word "ORACLE" in white capital letters on a red rectangular background.

Oracle

Launching in 1979 Oracle was one of the first commercially available relational database management systems (RDBMS). The company is constantly innovating and has recently shifted its focus to Cloud-First. The only drawback is that the system is complex and doesn't have an active community making it hard to learn.

ITEM #2



MySQL

An open-source RDBMS, MySQL powers hundreds of thousands of commercial websites and is also used as the backend for a large number of internal enterprise applications. MySQL became part of the Oracle empire in 2009 and since then support from users and developers has declined even though it's still open-source.

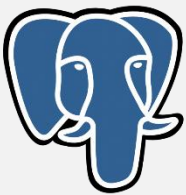
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Microsoft SQL Server

A popular choice for enterprises, especially for those that have already opted to use Microsoft products. SQL Server is very easy to use and it's very quick to learn. The reason is Microsoft has created a huge user community with even their own experts chiming in on forums all over the internet to help out if you ever get stuck.

ITEM #4



PostgreSQL

Another open-source RDBMS, PostgreSQL (or simply Postgres) is becoming extremely popular, especially among early-stage startups. Why? Because it's free, its features are as good as Oracle's, and there is a huge community of users backing this tool and providing support. Postgres has a very, very bright future.

ITEM #5



MongoDB

MongoDB is not an RDBMS — this is a non-relational database. Instead of storing data in tables, it stores data as JSON documents which can be faster and more versatile depending on the use case. Lots of companies are switching from RDBMS to non-relational databases and MongoDB is a popular choice.

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