

Preface

This manual provides reference information about database initialization parameters, static data dictionary views, dynamic performance views, database limits, and SQL scripts that are part of the Oracle Database.

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Audience

Oracle Database Reference is intended for database administrators, system administrators, and database application developers.

To use this document, you need to be familiar with the following:

- Oracle database management system (DBMS) concepts
- Your operating system environment

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Related Documents

For more information, see these Oracle resources:

- *Oracle Database Concepts* for a comprehensive introduction to the concepts and terminology used in this manual
- *Oracle Database Administrator's Guide* for information about administering Oracle Database
- *Oracle Database Upgrade Guide* for the procedures for upgrading a previous release of Oracle to the new release
- *Oracle Database SQL Language Reference* for information on Oracle's SQL commands and functions
- *Oracle Database Development Guide* for information about developing database applications within Oracle Database

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<http://docs.oracle.com/database/>

Conventions

The following text conventions are used in this document:

Convention	Meaning
boldface	Boldface type indicates graphical user interface elements associated with an action, or terms defined in text or the glossary.
<i>italic</i>	Italic type indicates book titles, emphasis, or placeholder variables for which you supply particular values.
monospace	Monospace type indicates commands within a paragraph, URLs, code in examples, text that appears on the screen, or text that you enter.