SQL: Insert, Update and Delete

- Management Studio provides user interface:
 - inserts, updates and deletes
 - demo this feature

 There is SQL for these tasks – you'd use this through an app etc.

- Note use your own database!!
 - You do not have rights to change other people's data

SELECT INTO

This creates a new table – tcust2

.... generates an error if table already exists.

(We're going to mess around with this new table and delete it at the end)

tCust - fields

custID
addressLine1
addressLine2
fName
sName
city

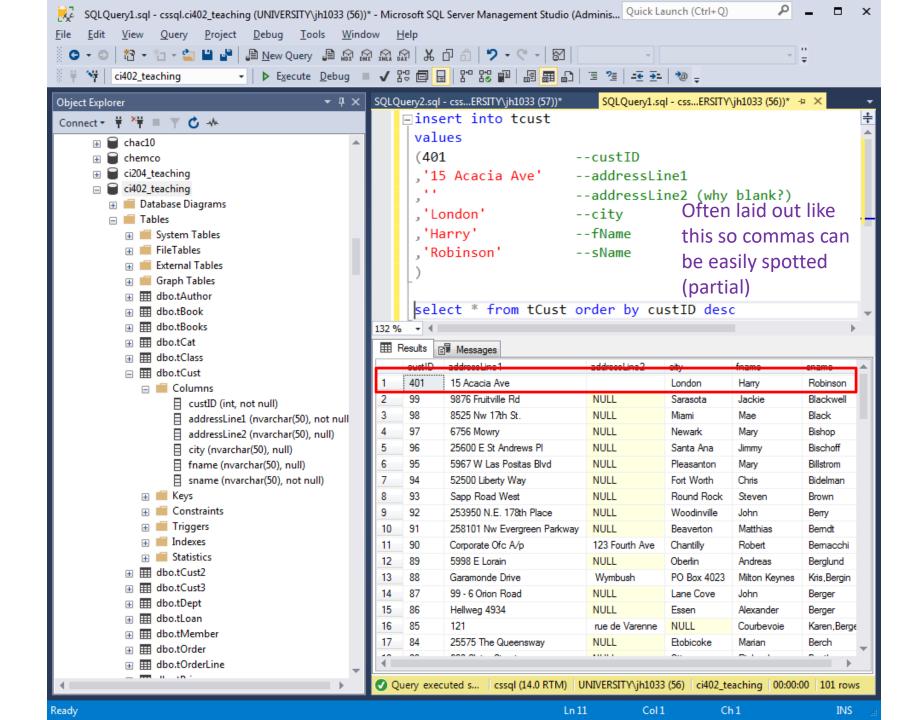
INSERT

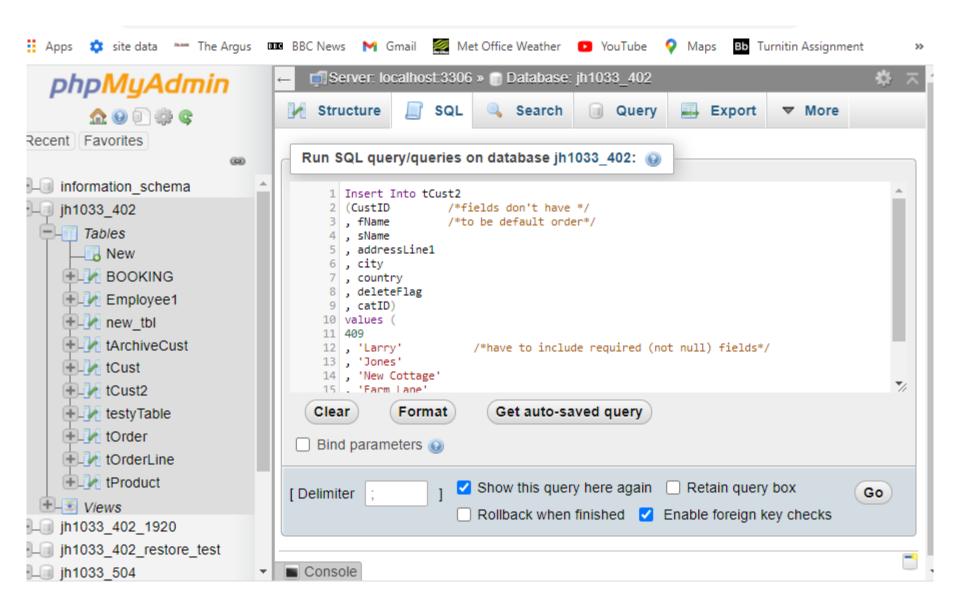
```
insert into tCust2
/*already made a copy of tCust using select into (q1) */
values
(401
                                  /*custID*/
                                 /*fName*/
, 'Harry'
, 'Robinson'
                                 /*sName*/
 '15 Acacia Ave'
                                 /*addressLine1*/
  7 7
                                 /*addressLine2 (why blank?)*/
 'London'
                                 /*citv*/
                                 /*country*/
 'UK'
                                 /*delete flag*/
  111
                                 /*customer category*/
 'B'
```

run query2 (watch out for the quote marks – esp. if you copy from here – need to be NOT SMART QUOTES ?stupid quotes)

If you have values for **all** the fields then no need to identify the fields (bad practice).

Values must be in the same order as columns (use ObjectExplorer/ phpMyAdmin left-most panel) to see them)





INSERT subset of fields

```
insert into tCust
                           --fields don't have
(CustID
, fName
                           --to be default order
, sName
, addressLine1
, city
, country
, deleteFlag
, catID)
values (
   406
                           --have to include required (not null) fields
, 'Larry'
, 'Jones'
                           --no address line 2 here as it's optional field
, 'New Cottage'
, 'Farm Lane'
, 'Brighton'
, 'S')
```

run query2a Notice you have to identify each field. The values must be in the correct order, matching the field listing

Using SELECT with INSERT

needs table to already exist

-query3

can run again and again (as long as doesn't break primary key rules

 can't after amend tCust2 as new field – next q)

CHANGE TABLE

ALTER TABLE tCust2

ADD postalCode varchar(7)

Run query4

Adds a new column (postalCode) to tCust2. What's in the new column?

Sql
Table / field

UPDATE

Update one record:

```
UPDATE tcust2
SET fName = 'Harry'
WHERE custid = 1 /*why use custID, why not name?*/
[Query5]
Sql
Table / field
value
comment
```

Update multiple records

```
UPDATE tCust2
SET city = 'Miami FLA'
WHERE city = 'Miami'
[Query6]
Sql
Table / field
value
```

Update multiple fields

Query7

```
Sql
Table / field
value
comment
```

Delete

- Delete from tCust2
 - jii This SQL deletes all the records in the table!!!
 - That's why I haven't put it as a pre-made query
 - Notice no field names specified
 - You delete the whole record not a part

Delete from where

Run query8 to create tcust3 then query9 to see how many Portlandians there are

```
Delete from tCust3
where city = 'Portland'
```

Run query10

This deletes any Portland records

Sql Table / field value comment

Virtual Delete

Database Administrators avoid *real* deletes where possible

 Virtual deletes use views and filtering to create a virtual delete without an actual delete of the record

Virtual Delete - DeleteFlag

- Add a delete flag to the table
 - DeleteFlagdatatype bit 1 or 0
 - datatype boolean TRUE or FALSE

query11

Virtual Delete - View

```
create view vtCust
AS
Select *
from tCust
where deleteflag = 0 //i.e. not deleted
query11a
Sql
Table / field
value
comment
```

Test the view with select * from vtCust (can treat a VIEW just like a table)

query12

Update DeleteFlag

 Update all the Salt Lake City records so that DeleteFlag is TRUE (2 rows)

Run query13

```
Select * from vtCust;
```

```
• Select * from tCust3; --compare the outcomes
```

```
• Or use count(*)
```

Applications use virtual delete

- Users press the delete button
- Update SQL runs sets DeleteFlag to TRUE (boolean) or 1 (bit)
- Page is refreshed from VIEW
- Updated record(s) appear to have been deleted

Archiving

- If table becomes too large
 - i.e. performance is affected
- Archive "deleted" records
- Copy "deleted" records to an archive table

```
Select * into tArchiveCust
From tCust
Where DeleteFlag = 1
Query 11a (slightly diff. syntax for MySQL included)
```