

Reporting Aggregated Data Using the Group Functions



Objectives

After completing this lesson, you should be able to do the following:

- Identify the available group functions
- Describe the use of group functions
- Group data by using the GROUP BY clause
- Include or exclude grouped rows by using the HAVING clause

Group Functions

Group functions operate on sets of rows to give one result per group.

EMPLOYEES

	DEPARTMENT_ID	SALARY
1	10	4400
2	20	13000
3	20	6000
4	110	12000
5	110	8300
6	90	24000
7	90	17000
8	90	17000
9	60	9000
10	60	6000
...		
18	80	11000
19	80	8600
20	(null)	7000

Maximum salary in
EMPLOYEES table

MAX(SALARY)
24000

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Types of Group Functions

- AVG
- COUNT
- MAX
- MIN
- SUM
- LISTAGG
- STDDEV
- VARIANCE



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Group Functions: Syntax

```
SELECT      group_function(column), ...
FROM        table
[WHERE      condition];
```

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Using the AVG and SUM Functions

You can use AVG and SUM for numeric data.

```
SELECT AVG(salary), MAX(salary),
       MIN(salary), SUM(salary)
  FROM employees
 WHERE job_id LIKE '%REP%';
```

	AVG(SALARY)	MAX(SALARY)	MIN(SALARY)	SUM(SALARY)
1	8150	11000	6000	32600

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Using the MIN and MAX Functions

You can use MIN and MAX for numeric, character, and date data types.

```
SELECT MIN(hire_date), MAX(hire_date)  
FROM employees;
```

MIN(HIRE_DATE)	MAX(HIRE_DATE)
1 13-JAN-01	29-JAN-08

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Using the COUNT Function

COUNT(*) returns the number of rows in a table:

1

```
SELECT COUNT(*)  
FROM employees  
WHERE department_id = 50;
```

COUNT(*)
1 5

COUNT(*expr*) returns the number of rows with non-null values for *expr*:

2

```
SELECT COUNT(commission_pct)  
FROM employees  
WHERE department_id = 50;
```

COUNT(COMMISSION_PCT)
1 0

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Using the DISTINCT Keyword

- COUNT(DISTINCT expr) returns the number of distinct non-null values of *expr*.
- To display the number of distinct department values in the EMPLOYEES table:

```
SELECT COUNT(DISTINCT department_id)  
FROM employees;
```

	COUNT(DISTINCTDEPARTMENT_ID)
1	7

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Group Functions and Null Values

Group functions ignore null values in the column:

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```
SELECT AVG(commission_pct)  
FROM employees;
```

	AVG(COMMISSION_PCT)
1	0.2125

The NVL function forces group functions to include null values:

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```
SELECT AVG(NVL(commission_pct, 0))  
FROM employees;
```

	AVG(NVL(COMMISSION_PCT,0))
1	0.0425

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Creating Groups of Data

EMPLOYEES

	DEPARTMENT_ID	SALARY
1	10	4400
2	20	13000
3	20	6000
4	50	2500
5	50	2600
6	50	3100
7	50	3500
8	50	5800
9	60	9000
10	60	6000
11	60	4200
12	80	11000
13	80	8600
...		
18	110	8300
19	110	12000
20	(null)	7000

Average salary in the EMPLOYEES table for each department

	DEPARTMENT_ID	AVG(SALARY)
1	(null)	7000
2	20	9500
3	90	19333.33333333333...
4	110	10150
5	50	3500
6	80	10033.33333333333...
7	10	4400
8	60	6400

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Creating Groups of Data: GROUP BY Clause Syntax

You can divide rows in a table into smaller groups by using the GROUP BY clause.

```
SELECT      column, group_function(column)
FROM        table
[WHERE      condition]
[GROUP BY  group_by_expression]
[ORDER BY  column];
```

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Using the GROUP BY Clause

All the columns in the `SELECT` list that are not in group functions must be in the `GROUP BY` clause.

```
SELECT      department_id, AVG(salary)
FROM        employees
GROUP BY    department_id ;
```

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Grouping by More Than One Column

EMPLOYEES

	DEPARTMENT_ID	JOB_ID	SALARY
1		10 AD_ASST	4400
2		20 MK_MAN	13000
3		20 MK_REP	6000
4		50 ST_CLERK	2500
5		50 ST_CLERK	2600
6		50 ST_CLERK	3100
7		50 ST_CLERK	3500
8		50 ST_MAN	5800
9		60 IT_PROG	9000
10		60 IT_PROG	6000
11		60 IT_PROG	4200
12		80 SA_REP	11000
13		80 SA_REP	8600
14		80 SA_MAN	10500
...			
19		110 AC_MGR	12000
20		(null) SA_REP	7000

Add the salaries in the EMPLOYEES table for each job, grouped by department.

	DEPARTMENT_ID	JOB_ID	SUM(SALARY)
1		110 AC_ACCOUNT	8300
2		110 AC_MGR	12008
3		10 AD_ASST	4400
4		90 AD_PRES	24000
5		90 AD_VP	34000
6		60 IT_PROG	19200
7		20 MK_MAN	13000
8		20 MK_REP	6000
9		80 SA_MAN	10500
10		80 SA_REP	19600
11	(null)	SA_REP	7000
12		50 ST_CLERK	11700
13		50 ST_MAN	5800

Using the GROUP BY Clause on Multiple Columns

```
SELECT department_id, job_id, SUM(salary)
FROM employees
WHERE department_id > 40
GROUP BY department_id, job_id
ORDER BY department_id;
```

	DEPARTMENT_ID	JOB_ID	SUM(SALARY)
1	50	ST_CLERK	11700
2	50	ST_MAN	5800
3	60	IT_PROG	19200
4	80	SA_MAN	10500
5	80	SA_REP	19600
6	90	AD_PRES	24000
7	90	AD_VP	34000
8	110	AC_ACCOUNT	8300
9	110	AC_MGR	12008

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Illegal Queries Using Group Functions

Any column or expression in the SELECT list that is not an aggregate function must be in the GROUP BY clause:

```
SELECT department_id, COUNT(last_name)
FROM employees;
```

ORA-00937: not a single-group group function
00937. 00000 - "not a single-group group function"

A GROUP BY clause must be added to count the last names for each department_id.

```
SELECT department_id, job_id, COUNT(last_name)
FROM employees
GROUP BY department_id;
```

ORA-00979: not a GROUP BY expression
00979. 00000 - "not a GROUP BY expression"

Either add job_id in the GROUP BY or remove the job_id column from the SELECT list.

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Illegal Queries Using Group Functions

- You cannot use the WHERE clause to restrict groups.
- You use the HAVING clause to restrict groups.
- You cannot use group functions in the WHERE clause.

```
SELECT      department_id, AVG(salary)
FROM        employees
WHERE       AVG(salary) > 8000
GROUP BY    department_id;
```

ORA-00934: group function is not allowed here
00934. 00000 - "group function is not allowed here"
*Cause:
*Action:
Error at Line: 3 Column: 9

Cannot use the
WHERE clause to
restrict groups

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Restricting Group Results

EMPLOYEES

	DEPARTMENT_ID	SALARY
1	10	4400
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6	50	3100
7	50	3500
8	50	5800
9	60	9000
10	60	6000
11	60	4200
12	80	11000
13	80	8600
...		
18	110	8300
19	110	12000
20	(null)	7000

The maximum salary per
department when it is
greater than \$10,000

	DEPARTMENT_ID	MAX(SALARY)
1	20	13000
2	90	24000
3	110	12000
4	80	11000

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Restricting Group Results with the HAVING Clause

When you use the HAVING clause, the Oracle server restricts groups as follows:

1. Rows are grouped.
2. The group function is applied.
3. Groups matching the HAVING clause are displayed.

```
SELECT      column, group_function
FROM        table
[WHERE      condition]
[GROUP BY  group_by_expression]
[HAVING    group_condition]
[ORDER BY  column];
```

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Using the HAVING Clause

```
SELECT      department_id, MAX(salary)
FROM        employees
GROUP BY  department_id
HAVING    MAX(salary)>10000 ;
```

	DEPARTMENT_ID	MAX(SALARY)
1	90	24000
2	20	13000
3	110	12008
4	80	11000

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Using the HAVING Clause

```
SELECT      job_id, SUM(salary) PAYROLL  
FROM        employees  
WHERE       job_id NOT LIKE '%REP%'  
GROUP BY    job_id  
HAVING     SUM(salary) > 13000  
ORDER BY    SUM(salary);
```

	JOB_ID	PAYROLL
1	IT_PROG	19200
2	AD_PRES	24000
3	AD_VP	34000

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Nesting Group Functions

Display the maximum average salary:

```
SELECT MAX(AVG(salary))  
FROM employees  
GROUP BY department_id;
```

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Summary

In this lesson, you should have learned how to:

- Use the group functions COUNT, MAX, MIN, SUM, AVG, LISTAGG, STDDEV, and VARIANCE
- Write queries that use the GROUP BY clause
- Write queries that use the HAVING clause

```
SELECT      column, group_function
FROM        table
[WHERE      condition]
[GROUP BY  group_by_expression]
[HAVING    group_condition]
[ORDER BY  column];
```