

# Oracle Relational SQL Cheatsheet.

## Types

<b>CHAR(n)</b> <b>CHARACTER(n)</b>	Fixed length string of character n.
<b>VARCHAR2(n)</b>	Character string of maximum length n, of varying size.
<b>NUMBER</b>	Integers.
<b>NUMBER(p,s)</b>	Numbers of precision p, with s digits at the decimal point.
<b>DATE</b>	Date information.
<b>TIME</b>	Time information.
<b>BLOB</b>	Binary Large Object.
<b>CLOB</b>	Character binary large object.
<b>NCLOB</b>	National character sets.
<b>BFILE</b>	Read only external file.
<b>RAW/LONG RAW</b>	Binary data, used for import and export.

## Conversions

<b>to_char(x)</b> <b>to_number(x)</b> <b>to_date(x)</b>	Converts it's argument to the appropriate type.
<b>to_multi_byte()</b> <b>to_single_byte()</b>	Converts between single & multi byte international strings.
<b>chartorowid(x)</b> <b>rowidtochar(x)</b>	Converts character strings to ROWID's back.
<b>hexraw(x)</b> <b>rawtohex(x)</b>	Converts between hex and RAW binary format (see types).

## Operators

<b>=, &gt;, &lt;, &gt;=, &lt;=, !=, &lt;&gt;</b>	Usual comparisons. != & <> & ^= are negative equality tests.
<b>AND OR NOT</b>	Boolean operations.
<b>BETWEEN</b>	SELECT emp_id, name, dept_no FROM employee WHERE emp_id BETWEEN 1 AND 4;
<b>IN</b>	SELECT emp_id, name, dept_no FROM employee WHERE emp_id IN (1,2,3,4);
<b>LIKE</b>	Regex match. % = n characters, _ = character, \ escapes.

## Constraints

<b>NULL/NOT NULL</b>	Allow/don't allow missing values.
<b>[CONSTRAINT &lt;constraint_name&gt;]</b>	For candidate keys - alternatives to primary key
<b>UNIQUE (&lt;column_name&gt;,..)</b>	
<b>PRIMARY KEY</b>	This is the key field for look

## Creating and Deleting Tables

<b>CREATE TABLE</b> <table_name> (<column_definition list>, <column_name>));	<b>CREATE TABLE</b> part (part_number CHAR(4), part_name VARCHAR(25), <b>PRIMARY_KEY</b> (part_number));
<b>CREATE TABLE</b> <table_name> ( <column_definition [ <constraint > ], .. ) ;	<b>CREATE TABLE</b> department (department_number CHAR(4) <b>CONSTRAINT</b> prim_dept <b>PRIMARY_KEY</b> , department_name <b>VARCHAR2</b> (10);
<b>DROP TABLE</b> <table_name>;	Delete table from database.

## Changing Tables.

<b>ALTER TABLE</b> <table_name> <b>ADD (CONSTRAINT</b> <constraint_name> <b>PRIMARY_KEY</b> (<column_names>));	Creates a key constraint column.
<b>ALTER TABLE</b> <table_name> <b>ADD</b> (<column_definition>);	<b>ALTER TABLE</b> employee <b>ADD</b> (department_name VARCHAR2(10));
<b>ALTER TABLE</b> <table_name> <b>ADD (CONSTRAINT</b> <constraint_name> <b>FOREIGN_KEY</b> (<column_name>) <b>REFERENCES</b> foreign_table_name (<foreign_column_name>) [ <b>ON DELETE CASCADE</b> ]);	Creates a constraint column, not a column table. Opt <b>DELETE</b> maintains integrity & rows in table are deleted.

<b>ALTER TABLE</b> <b>DISABLE CONSTRAINT</b> name;	Relax constraint.
<b>ALTER TABLE</b> <b>DROP CONSTRAINT</b> <constraint_name>;	Delete constraint forever.

## Modifying and deleting rows

<b>INSERT</b> <b>INTO</b> <table_name> (<column_name, ..>) <b>VALUES</b> (<value, ..>);	<b>INSERT INTO</b> employee (employee_number, employee_name, salary) <b>VALUES</b> ('7092', 'FORD', 175,66);
<b>UPDATE</b> <table_name> <b>SET</b> <column> = <value>, ..	<b>UPDATE</b> wine_list <b>SET</b> note = "Ideal as an aperitif" <b>WHERE</b> wine_name = 'Ch.Haut-Ria'

[**CONSTRAINT**  
 <constraint\_name>  
**CHECK** (condition)];

Verification/validation.

**FOREIGN KEY**

This is an index to another table.

### Single Valued Functions

**lpad**(<string>,<width>,  
 [<char>]); **rpadd**(<string>,  
 <width>,<char>);

Pad a string to the right or left with the given width with the given char.

**lower**(<string>);  
**upper**(<string>);  
**initcap**(<string>);

Uppercase, lowercase, or initia upcase the string.

**length**(<string>);

Returns length, in chars of the string.

**substr**(<string>,<start>,  
 <end>);

Returns a substring from start index, to end index.

**abs**(<number>)  
**sign**(<number>)

Absolute value and sign numb

**ceil**(<number>)  
**floor**(<number>)

Ceiling and floor: Highest and lowest integer with smallest difference from float.

**mod**(<number0>,  
 <number1>)

**round**(<number0>,  
 <number1>)

Remainder of x / y; Round x to decimal places. Truncate x to decimal places

**trunc**(<number0>,  
 <number1>)

**sqrt**(<number>)

Square root.

**greatest**(<expression>,...)

**least**(<expression>,...)

Largest and smallest from a list of dates, numbers or strings.

**vsiz**(<expression>)

The storage size in bytes for x

**sysdate**()

Current system date

**add\_months**(<date>,  
 <integer>)

Add given number of month to dates;

**last\_day**(<date>)

Return the last day of the month

**months\_between**(<date0>,  
 <date1>)

Return the number of months between two dates/

**new\_time**(<date>,  
 <current\_timezone>,  
 <other\_timezone>)

Convert date from one time zone to another.

**nvl**(<column>,<value>)

Substitute <value> for NULL in the column.

**soundex**(x)

Return soundex string for fuzzy matching.

**decode**(<column>,<value>,  
 <return>,<value>,  
 <return>...)

For every instance of <value> in column return the matching <return> value. A bit like a case/switch.

**WHERE**

<condition>;

**DELETE FROM**

<table\_name>

[**WHERE**

<condition>]

**DELETE FROM** members

**WHERE** name

**LIKE** 'Sharon%';

### Querying with Select.

**SELECT** emp\_table.emp\_id,  
 emp\_table.dept\_no, dept\_table.desc

**FROM** employee\_db.emp\_table,  
 employee\_db.dept\_table

**WHERE** emp\_table.dept\_no =  
 dept\_table.dept\_no;

**SELECT** \*

**FROM** emp

**ORDER BY** empid **DESC**; -or- **SELECT**

empid, lastname

**FROM** emp

**ORDER BY** 2;

Project and Join.

**SELECT** <columns>

**FROM** <table>

**WHERE** <criterion>;

Sorting.

**SELECT** .<clauses>

**ORDER BY** <column

[**DESC**|**ASC**],...>;

Grouping.

**SELECT**

<select\_clauses>

**GROUP BY** <column

[**DESC**|**ASC**],...>

**HAVING**

<criterion>;

Column concatenation -  
 formatting.

**SELECT** <column>||

<string>||<column>

<column\_alias>...

...;

On the fly

calculations.

**SELECT**

<expression> **FROM**

**DUAL**;

Column aliasing.

**SELECT** <column>

**AS**

<alias\_column>..;

Subqueries.

**SELECT** ...

**WHERE** column =

(<subquery>);,

**SELECT** firstname||','||lastname

full\_name

**FROM** team;

**SELECT** 7 \* 9

**FROM** DUAL;

**SELECT** name, NVL(spouse,'unmarried')

**AS** spouse

**FROM** emp\_db,emp\_table;

**SELECT** empid, dept, salary

**FROM** emp

**WHERE** dept = (

**SELECT** dept

**FROM** emp

**WHERE** empid = 78483);

### Group functions.

Average of all numbers in column.

Standard deviation of all numbers in column.

Variance of all numbers in column.

Sum total of all numbers in the column.

Total number of items in a column.

Maximum value found in a column.

Minimum value found in column.

**avg**()

**stddev**()

**variance**()

**sum**(x)

**count**(x)

**max**(x)

**min**(x)