

# SQLite



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# What is SQLite?



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## About SQLite

SQLite is an in-process library that implements a [self-contained](#), [serverless](#), [zero-configuration](#), [transactional](#) SQL database engine. The code for SQLite is in the [public domain](#) and is thus free for use for any purpose, commercial or private. SQLite is the [most widely deployed](#) database in the world with more applications than we can count, including several [high-profile projects](#).

SQLite is an embedded SQL database engine. Unlike most other SQL databases, SQLite does not have a separate server process. SQLite reads and writes directly to ordinary disk files. A complete SQL database with multiple tables, indices, triggers, and views, is contained in a single disk file. The database [file format](#) is cross-platform - you can freely copy a database between 32-bit and 64-bit systems or between [big-endian](#) and [little-endian](#) architectures. These features make SQLite a popular choice as an [Application File Format](#). Think of SQLite not as a replacement for [Oracle](#) but as a replacement for [fopen\(\)](#)

SQLite is a compact library. With all features enabled, the [library size](#) can be less than 500KiB, depending on the target platform and compiler optimization settings. (64-bit code is

### Executive Summary

- [Full-featured SQL](#)
- [Billions and billions of deployments](#)
- [Single-file database](#)
- [Public domain source code](#)
- All source code in one file ([sqlite3.c](#))
- [Small footprint](#)
- Max DB size: [140 terabytes](#) ( $2^{47}$  bytes)
- Max row size: [1 gigabyte](#)
- [Faster than direct file I/O](#)
- [Aviation-grade quality and testing](#)
- [Zero-configuration](#)
- [ACID transactions, even after power loss](#)

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# Getting Started?

## In 5 minutes or less

### 1. Download The Code

- Get a copy of the prebuilt binaries for your machine

### 2. Create A New Database

- At a shell or DOS prompt, enter: "sqlite3 test.db". This will create a new database named "test.db"
- Enter SQL commands at the prompt to create and populate the new database

### 3. Write Programs That Use SQLite

```
1 #include <stdio.h>
2 #include <sqlite3.h>
3
4 static int callback(void *NotUsed, int argc, char **argv, char **azColName){
5     int i;
6     for(i=0; i<argc; i++){
7         printf("%s = %s\n", azColName[i], argv[i] ? argv[i] : "NULL");
8     }
9     printf("\n");
10    return 0;
11 }
12
13 int main(int argc, char **argv){
14     sqlite3 *db;
15     char *zErrMsg = 0;
16     int rc;
17
18     if( argc!=3 ){
19         fprintf(stderr, "Usage: %s DATABASE SQL-STATEMENT\n", argv[0]);
20     }
```

<https://www.sqlite.org/quickstart.html>

#### Limitations

SQLite supports a limited subset of **ALTER TABLE**.

It is not possible to rename a column, remove a column, or add/remove constraints from a table.

*Workaround:*

1. create new table (with applied changes)
2. copy all data
3. drop old table
4. rename the new one

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# SQLite Studio

<https://github.com/pawelsalawa/sqlitestudio/releases>

