Welcome

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Course overview

- Chapter 1: Summarizing data
- Chapter 2: Date and math functions
- Chapter 3: Processing data with T-SQL
- Chapter 4: Window functions

Exploring Data with Aggregation

- Reviewing summarized values for each column is a common first step in analyzing data
- If the data exists in a database, fastest way to aggregate is to use SQL



Data Exploration with EconomicIndicators



Common summary statistics

- MIN() for the minimum value of a column
- MAX() for the maximum value of a column
- AVG() for the mean or average value of a column

Common summary statistics in T-SQL

This T-SQL query returns the aggregated values of column InternetUse

```
SELECT AVG(InternetUse) AS MeanInternetUse,
MIN(InternetUse) AS MINInternet,
MAX(InternetUse) AS MAXInternet
FROM EconomicIndicators
```

```
+-----+
|MeanInternetUse |MINInternet | MAXInternet|
|------|
| 18.9854496196171| 0 | 375.5970064|
+------
```

Filtering Summary Data with WHERE

This T-SQL query filters the aggregated values using a WHERE clause Notice the text value is in

```
SELECT AVG(InternetUse) AS MeanInternetUse,
MIN(InternetUse) AS MINInternet,
MAX(InternetUse) AS MAXInternet
FROM EconomicIndicators
WHERE Country = 'Solomon Islands'
```

```
+-----+
|MeanInternetUse |MINInternet | MAXInternet|
|------|
| 1.79621| 0 | 6.00|
+------
```



Subtotaling Aggregations into Groups with GROUP BY

```
SELECT Country, AVG(InternetUse) AS MeanInternetUse,
MIN(InternetUse) AS MINInternet,
MAX(InternetUse) AS MAXInternet
FROM EconomicIndicators
GROUP BY Country
```



HAVING is the WHERE for Aggregations

Cannot use WHERE with GROUP BY as it will give you an error

```
-- This throws an error
...

GROUP BY
WHERE Max(InternetUse) > 100
```

Instead, use HAVING

```
-- This is how you filter with a GROUP BY
...
GROUP BY
HAVING Max(InternetUse) > 100
```

HAVING is the WHERE for Aggregations

```
SELECT Country, AVG(InternetUse) AS MeanInternetUse,
MIN(GDP) AS SmallestGDP,
MAX(InternetUse) AS MAXInternetUse
FROM EconomicIndicators
GROUP BY Country
HAVING MAX(InternetUse) > 100
```



Examining UFO Data in the Incidents Table

- The exercise will explore data gathered from Mutual UFO Network
- UFO spotted all over the world are contained in the Incidents Table

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Finding and Resolving Missing Data

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Detecting missing values

- When you have no data, the empty database field contains the word NULL
- Because NULL is not a number, it is not possible to use = , < , or > to find or compare missing values
- To determine if a column contains a NULL value, use IS NULL and IS NOT NULL

Returning No NULL Values in T-SQL

```
SELECT Country, InternetUse, Year
FROM EconomicIndicators
WHERE InternetUse IS NOT NULL
```

Detecting NULLs in T-SQL

```
SELECT Country, InternetUse, Year
FROM EconomicIndicators
WHERE InternetUse IS NULL
```



Blank is not NULL

- A blank is not the same as a NULL value
- May show up in columns containing text
- An empty string '' can be used to find blank values
- The best way is to look for a column where the Length or LEN > 0

Blank is not NULL

```
SELECT Country, GDP, Year
FROM EconomicIndicators
WHERE LEN(GDP) > 0
```

Substituting missing data with a specific value using ISNULL

```
SELECT GDP, Country,
ISNULL(Country, 'Unknown') AS NewCountry
FROM EconomicIndicators
```

Substituting missing data with a column using ISNULL

```
/*Substituting values from one column for another with ISNULL*/
SELECT TradeGDPPercent, ImportGoodPercent,
ISNULL(TradeGDPPercent, ImportGoodPercent) AS NewPercent
FROM EconomicIndicators
```



Substituting NULL values using COALESCE

COALESCE returns the first non-missing value

```
COALESCE( value_1, value_2, value_3, ... value_n )
```

- If value_1 is NULL and value_2 is not NULL, return value_2
- If value_1 and value_2 are NULL and value_3 is not NULL, return value_3
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SQL Statement using COALESCE

```
SELECT TradeGDPPercent, ImportGoodPercent,
COALESCE(TradeGDPPercent, ImportGoodPercent, 'N/A') AS NewPercent
FROM EconomicIndicators
```



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Binning Data with Case

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Changing column values with CASE

```
CASE
    WHEN Boolean_expression THEN result_expression [ ...n ]
    [ ELSE else_result_expression ]
END
```



Changing column values with CASE in T-SQL

Changing column values with CASE in T-SQL

Using CASE statements to create value groups

```
-- We are binning the data here into discrete groups

SELECT Country, LifeExp,

CASE WHEN LifeExp < 30 THEN 1

WHEN LifeExp > 29 AND LifeExp < 40 THEN 2

WHEN LifeExp > 39 AND LifeExp < 50 THEN 3

WHEN LifeExp > 49 AND LifeExp < 60 THEN 4

ELSE 5

END AS LifeExpGroup

FROM EconomicIndicators

WHERE Year = 2007
```

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