Data Type and Function

VARCHAR(n)

NVARCHAR2(n) – N = national (for languages with more than 256 characters)

CHAR(n) – still use because it is faster than VARCHAR(n)

NUMBER(P, S)

DATE 21-JAN-2013 – must be in this format

CLOB (character large object) – XML file

BLOB (binary large object) – used for something like an image; stores image in database

BFILE – link to file in the database; image outside of database