


# SQL Datetime Conversion - String Date Convert Formats

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## How to convert from string to datetime?

Execute the following T-SQL scripts in Microsoft SQL Server Management Studio (SSMS) Query Editor to demonstrate T-SQL **CONVERT** and **CAST** functions in transforming string SQL date formats, string time & string datetime data to datetime data type. Practical examples for T-SQL DATE / DATETIME functions.

-- SQL Server string to date / datetime conversion - datetime string format sql server

-- MSSQL string to datetime conversion - convert char to date - convert varchar to date

-- Subtract 100 from style number (format) for yy instead yyyy (or ccyy with century)

```
SELECT convert(datetime, 'Oct 23 2012 11:01AM', 100) -- mon dd yyyy hh:mmAM (or PM)
```

```
SELECT convert(datetime, 'Oct 23 2012 11:01AM') -- 2012-10-23 11:01:00.000
```

-- Without century (yy) string date conversion - convert string to datetime function

```
SELECT convert(datetime, 'Oct 23 12 11:01AM', 0) -- mon dd yy hh:mmAM (or PM)
```

```
SELECT convert(datetime, 'Oct 23 12 11:01AM') -- 2012-10-23 11:01:00.000
```

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-- Convert string to datetime sql - convert string to date sql - sql dates format

-- T-SQL convert string to datetime - SQL Server convert string to date

    SELECT convert(datetime, '10/23/2016', 101) -- mm/dd/yyyy

SELECT convert(datetime, '2016.10.23', 102) -- yyyy.mm.dd ANSI date with century

    SELECT convert(datetime, '23/10/2016', 103) -- dd/mm/yyyy

    SELECT convert(datetime, '23.10.2016', 104) -- dd.mm/yyyy

    SELECT convert(datetime, '23-10-2016', 105) -- dd-mm-yyyy

-- mon types are nondeterministic conversions, dependent on language setting

    SELECT convert(datetime, '23 OCT 2016', 106) -- dd mon yyyy

    SELECT convert(datetime, 'Oct 23, 2016', 107) -- mon dd, yyyy

        -- 2016-10-23 00:00:00.000

        SELECT convert(datetime, '20:10:44', 108) -- hh:mm:ss

        -- 1900-01-01 20:10:44.000


-- mon dd yyyy hh:mm:ss:mmmAM (or PM) - sql time format - SQL Server datetime
    format

    SELECT convert(datetime, 'Oct 23 2016 11:02:44:013AM', 109)

        -- 2016-10-23 11:02:44.013

    SELECT convert(datetime, '10-23-2016', 110) -- mm-dd-yyyy

    SELECT convert(datetime, '2016/10/23', 111) -- yyyy/mm/dd

-- YYYYMMDD ISO date format works at any language setting - international standard

    SELECT convert(datetime, '20161023')

    SELECT convert(datetime, '20161023', 112) -- ISO yyyyymmdd

        -- 2016-10-23 00:00:00.000

    SELECT convert(datetime, '23 Oct 2016 11:02:07:577', 113) -- dd mon yyyy
        hh:mm:ss:mmm

        -- 2016-10-23 11:02:07.577

```

**SELECT convert(datetime, '20:10:25:300', 114) -- hh:mm:ss:mmm(24h)**

**-- 1900-01-01 20:10:25.300**

**SELECT convert(datetime, '2016-10-23 20:44:11', 120) -- yyyy-mm-dd hh:mm:ss(24h)**

**-- 2016-10-23 20:44:11.000**

**SELECT convert(datetime, '2016-10-23 20:44:11.500', 121) -- yyyy-mm-dd  
hh:mm:ss:mmm**

**-- 2016-10-23 20:44:11.500**

**-- Style 126 is ISO 8601 format: international standard - works with any language  
setting**

**SELECT convert(datetime, '2008-10-23T18:52:47.513', 126) -- yyyy-mm-  
ddThh:mm:ss(.mmm)**

**-- 2008-10-23 18:52:47.513**

**SELECT convert(datetime, N'23 6:52:47:513 1429 شوالPM', 130) -- Islamic/Hijri date**

**SELECT convert(datetime, '23/10/1429 6:52:47:513PM', 131) -- Islamic/Hijri date**

**-- Convert DDMMYYYY format to datetime - sql server to date / datetime**

**SELECT convert(datetime, STUFF(STUFF('31012016',3,0,'-'),6,0,'-'), 105)**

**-- 2016-01-31 00:00:00.000**

**-- SQL Server T-SQL string to datetime conversion without century - some exceptions**

**-- nondeterministic means language setting dependent such as Mar/Mär/mars/márc**

**SELECT convert(datetime, 'Oct 23 16 11:02:44AM') -- Default**

**SELECT convert(datetime, '10/23/16', 1) -- mm/dd/yy U.S.**

**SELECT convert(datetime, '16.10.23', 2) -- yy.mm.dd ANSI**

**SELECT convert(datetime, '23/10/16', 3) -- dd/mm/yy UK/FR**

**SELECT convert(datetime, '23.10.16', 4) -- dd.mm.yy German**

**SELECT convert(datetime, '23-10-16', 5) -- dd-mm-yy Italian**

**SELECT convert(datetime, '23 OCT 16', 6) -- dd mon yy non-det.**

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SELECT convert(datetime, 'Oct 23, 16', 7) -- mon dd, yy non-det.

SELECT convert(datetime, '20:10:44', 8) -- hh:mm:ss

SELECT convert(datetime, 'Oct 23 16 11:02:44:013AM', 9) -- Default with msec

SELECT convert(datetime, '10-23-16', 10) -- mm-dd-yy U.S.

SELECT convert(datetime, '16/10/23', 11) -- yy/mm/dd Japan

SELECT convert(datetime, '161023', 12) -- yymmdd ISO

SELECT convert(datetime, '23 Oct 16 11:02:07:577', 13) -- dd mon yy hh:mm:ss:mmm EU
dflt

SELECT convert(datetime, '20:10:25:300', 14) -- hh:mm:ss:mmm(24h)

SELECT convert(datetime, '2016-10-23 20:44:11', 20) -- yyyy-mm-dd hh:mm:ss(24h) ODBC
can.

SELECT convert(datetime, '2016-10-23 20:44:11.500', 21) -- yyyy-mm-dd hh:mm:ss:mmm
ODBC

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-- SQL Datetime Data Type: Combine date & time string into datetime - sql hh mm ss
-- String to datetime - mssql datetime - sql convert date - sql concatenate string
DECLARE @DateTimeValue varchar(32), @DateValue char(8), @TimeValue char(6)

SELECT @DateValue = '20120718',
       @TimeValue = '211920'

SELECT @DateTimeValue =
convert(varchar, convert(datetime, @DateValue), 111)
+ ' ' + substring(@TimeValue, 1, 2)
+ ':' + substring(@TimeValue, 3, 2)
+ ':' + substring(@TimeValue, 5, 2)

SELECT
DateInput = @DateValue, TimeInput = @TimeValue,
DateTimeOutput = @DateTimeValue;

```

/\*

DateInput TimeInput DateTimeOutput

20120718 211920 2012/07/18 21:19:20 \*/

/\* DATETIME 8 bytes internal storage structure

o 1st 4 bytes: number of days after the base date 1900-01-01

**o 2nd 4 bytes: number of clock-ticks (3.33 milliseconds) since midnight**

DATETIME2 8 bytes (precision > 4) internal storage structure

**o 1st byte: precision like 7**

o middle 4 bytes: **number of time units (100ns smallest) since midnight**

**o last 3 bytes: number of days after the base date 0001-01-01**

DATE 3 bytes internal storage structure

o 3 bytes integer: number of days after the first date 0001-01-01

o Note: hex byte order reversed

SMALLDATETIME 4 bytes internal storage structure

o 1st 2 bytes: number of days after the base date 1900-01-01

**o 2nd 2 bytes: number of minutes since midnight \*/**

SELECT CONVERT(binary(8), getdate()) -- 0x00009E4D 00C01272

SELECT CONVERT(binary(4), convert(smalldatetime,getdate())) -- 0x9E4D 02BC

-- This is how a datetime looks in 8 bytes

DECLARE @dtHex binary(8)= 0x00009966002d3344;

DECLARE @dt datetime = @dtHex

SELECT @dt -- 2007-07-09 02:44:34.147

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-- SQL Server 2012 New Date & Time Related Functions

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**SELECT DATEFROMPARTS ( 2016, 10, 23 ) AS RealDate; -- 2016-10-23**

**SELECT DATETIMEFROMPARTS ( 2016, 10, 23, 10, 10, 10, 500 ) AS RealDateTime; -- 2016-10-23 10:10:10.500**

**SELECT EOMONTH('20140201'); -- 2014-02-28**

**SELECT EOMONTH('20160201'); -- 2016-02-29**

**SELECT EOMONTH('20160201',1); -- 2016-03-31**

**SELECT FORMAT ( getdate(), 'yyyy/MM/dd hh:mm:ss tt', 'en-US' ); -- 2016/07/30 03:39:48 AM**

**SELECT FORMAT ( getdate(), 'd', 'en-US' ); -- 7/30/2016**

**SELECT PARSE('SAT, 13 December 2014' AS datetime USING 'en-US') AS [Date&Time];  
-- 2014-12-13 00:00:00.000**

**SELECT TRY\_PARSE('SAT, 13 December 2014' AS datetime USING 'en-US') AS [Date&Time];  
-- 2014-12-13 00:00:00.000**

**SELECT TRY\_CONVERT(datetime, '13 December 2014' ) AS [Date&Time]; -- 2014-12-13 00:00:00.000**

**SELECT CONVERT(datetime2, sysdatetime()); AS [DateTime2]; -- 2016-02-12 13:09:24.0642891**

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**-- SQL convert seconds to HH:MM:SS - sql times format - sql hh mm**

**DECLARE @Seconds INT**

**SET @Seconds = 20000**

**SELECT HH = @Seconds / 3600, MM = (@Seconds%3600) / 60, SS = (@Seconds%60)**

```

/* HH MM SS
5 33 20 */
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-- SQL Server Date Only from DATETIME column - get date only
-- T-SQL just date - truncate time from datetime - remove time part
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DECLARE @Now datetime = CURRENT_TIMESTAMP -- getdate()
SELECT DateAndTime = @Now -- Date portion and Time portion
,DateString = REPLACE(LEFT(CONVERT (varchar, @Now, 112),10),' ','-')
,[Date] = CONVERT(DATE, @Now) -- SQL Server 2008 and on - date part
,Midnight1 = dateadd(day, datediff(day,0, @Now), 0)
,Midnight2 = CONVERT(DATETIME,CONVERT(int, @Now))
,Midnight3 = CONVERT(DATETIME,CONVERT(BIGINT,@Now) &
(Power(Convert(bigint,2),32)-1))

/* DateAndTime DateString Date Midnight1 Midnight2 Midnight3
2010-11-02 08:00:33.657 20101102 2010-11-02 2010-11-02 00:00:00.000 2010-11-02
00:00:00.000 2010-11-02 00:00:00.000 */
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-- SQL Server 2008 convert datetime to date - sql yyyy mm dd

SELECT TOP (3) OrderDate = CONVERT(date, OrderDate),
Today = CONVERT(date, getdate())
FROM AdventureWorks2008.Sales.SalesOrderHeader
ORDER BY newid();

/* OrderDate Today
2004-02-15 2012-06-18 .....*/
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-- SQL date yyyy mm dd - sqlserver yyyy mm dd - date format yyyymmdd

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SELECT CONVERT(VARCHAR(10), GETDATE(), 111) AS [YYYY/MM/DD]

/* YYYY/MM/DD

2015/07/11 */

SELECT CONVERT(VARCHAR(10), GETDATE(), 112) AS [YYYYMMDD]

/* YYYYMMDD

20150711 */

SELECT REPLACE(CONVERT(VARCHAR(10), GETDATE(), 111), '/', ' ') AS [YYYY MM DD]

/* YYYY MM DD

2015 07 11 */
-- Converting to special (non-standard) date fomats: DD-MMM-YY
SELECT UPPER(REPLACE(CONVERT(VARCHAR,GETDATE(),6), '-', ''))
-- 07-MAR-14
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-- SQL convert date string to datetime - time set to 00:00:00.000 or 12:00AM

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-- UNIX to SQL Server datetime conversion

declare @UNIX bigint = 1477216861;

select dateadd(ss,@UNIX,'19700101'); -- 2016-10-23 10:01:01.000
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-- String to date conversion - sql date yyyy mm dd - sql date formatting

-- SQL Server cast string to date - sql convert date to datetime

SELECT [Date] = CAST (@DateValue AS datetime)

-- 2012-07-18 00:00:00.000

-- SQL convert string date to different style - sql date string formatting

SELECT CONVERT(varchar, CONVERT(datetime, '20140508'), 100)

-- May 8 2014 12:00AM

-- SQL Server convert date to integer

DECLARE @Date datetime; SET @Date = getdate();

SELECT DateAsInteger = CAST (CONVERT(varchar,@Date,112) as INT);

```



**-- Result: 20161225**

**-- SQL Server convert integer to datetime**

**DECLARE @iDate int**

**SET @iDate = 20151225**

**SELECT IntegerToDatetime = CAST(convert(varchar,@iDate) as datetime)**

**-- 2015-12-25 00:00:00.000**

**-- Alternates: date-only datetime values**

**-- SQL Server floor date - sql convert datetime**

**SELECT [DATE-ONLY]=CONVERT(DATETIME, FLOOR(CONVERT(FLOAT, GETDATE())))**

**SELECT [DATE-ONLY]=CONVERT(DATETIME, FLOOR(CONVERT(MONEY, GETDATE())))**

**-- SQL Server cast string to datetime**

**-- SQL Server datetime to string convert**

**SELECT [DATE-ONLY]=CAST(CONVERT(varchar, GETDATE(), 101) AS DATETIME)**

**-- SQL Server dateadd function - T-SQL datediff function**

**-- SQL strip time from date - MSSQL strip time from datetime**

**SELECT getdate() ,dateadd(dd, datediff(dd, 0, getdate()), 0)**

**-- Results: 2016-01-23 05:35:52.793 2016-01-23 00:00:00.000**

**-- String date - 10 bytes of storage**

**SELECT [STRING DATE]=CONVERT(varchar, GETDATE(), 110)**

**SELECT [STRING DATE]=CONVERT(varchar, CURRENT\_TIMESTAMP, 110)**

**-- Same results: 01-02-2012**

**-- SQL Server cast datetime as string - sql datetime formatting**

**SELECT stringDateTime=CAST (getdate() as varchar) -- Dec 29 2012 3:47AM**

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**-- SQL date range BETWEEN operator**

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**-- SQL date range select - date range search - T-SQL date range query**

**-- Count Sales Orders for 2003 OCT-NOV**

**DECLARE @StartDate DATETIME, @EndDate DATETIME**

**SET @StartDate = convert(DATETIME,'10/01/2003',101)**

**SET @EndDate = convert(DATETIME,'11/30/2003',101)**

**SELECT @StartDate, @EndDate**

**-- 2003-10-01 00:00:00.000 2003-11-30 00:00:00.000**

**SELECT dateadd(DAY,1,@EndDate),**

**dateadd(ms,-3,dateadd(DAY,1,@EndDate))**

**-- 2003-12-01 00:00:00.000 2003-11-30 23:59:59.997**

**-- MSSQL date range select using >= and <**

**SELECT [Sales Orders for 2003 OCT-NOV] = COUNT(\*)**

**FROM Sales.SalesOrderHeader**

**WHERE OrderDate >= @StartDate AND OrderDate < dateadd(DAY,1,@EndDate)**

**/\* Sales Orders for 2003 OCT-NOV**

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**-- Equivalent date range query using BETWEEN comparison**

**-- It requires a bit of trick programming**

**SELECT [Sales Orders for 2003 OCT-NOV] = COUNT(\*)**

**FROM Sales.SalesOrderHeader**

**WHERE OrderDate BETWEEN @StartDate AND  
dateadd(ms,-3,dateadd(DAY,1,@EndDate))**

-- 3668

USE AdventureWorks;

-- SQL between string dates

SELECT POs=COUNT(\*) FROM Purchasing.PurchaseOrderHeader

WHERE OrderDate BETWEEN '20040201' AND '20040210' -- Result: 108

-- SQL BETWEEN dates without time - time stripped - time removed - date part only

SELECT POs=COUNT(\*) FROM Purchasing.PurchaseOrderHeader

WHERE datediff(dd,0,OrderDate)

BETWEEN datediff(dd,0,'20040201 12:11:39') AND datediff(dd,0,'20040210 14:33:19')

-- 108

-- BETWEEN is equivalent to >=...AND....<=

SELECT POs=COUNT(\*) FROM Purchasing.PurchaseOrderHeader

WHERE OrderDate

BETWEEN '2004-02-01 00:00:00.000' AND '2004-02-10 00:00:00.000'

/\* Orders with OrderDates

'2004-02-10 00:00:01.000' - 1 second after midnight (12:00AM)

'2004-02-10 00:01:00.000' - 1 minute after midnight

'2004-02-10 01:00:00.000' - 1 hour after midnight

are not included in the two queries above. \*/

-- To include the entire day of 2004-02-10 use:

SELECT POs=COUNT(\*) FROM Purchasing.PurchaseOrderHeader

WHERE OrderDate >= '20040201' AND OrderDate < '20040211'

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-- Calculate week ranges in a year

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DECLARE @Year INT = '2016';

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WITH cteDays AS (SELECT DayOfYear=Dateadd(dd, number,
                        CONVERT(DATE, CONVERT(char(4),@Year)+'0101'))
                        FROM master.dbo.spt_values WHERE type='P'),
CTE AS (SELECT DayOfYear, WeekOfYear=DATEPART(week,DayOfYear)
        FROM cteDays WHERE YEAR(DayOfYear)= @YEAR)
SELECT WeekOfYear, StartOfWeek=MIN(DayOfYear), EndOfWeek=MAX(DayOfYear)
        FROM CTE GROUP BY WeekOfYear ORDER BY WeekOfYear

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-- Date validation function ISDATE - returns 1 or 0 - SQL datetime functions

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```

DECLARE @StringDate varchar(32)

SET @StringDate = '2011-03-15 18:50'

IF EXISTS( SELECT * WHERE ISDATE(@StringDate) = 1)

        ELSE

        GO

```

-- Result: VALID DATE: 2011-03-15 18:50

```

DECLARE @StringDate varchar(32)

SET @StringDate = '20112-03-15 18:50'

IF EXISTS( SELECT * WHERE ISDATE(@StringDate) = 1)

```

-- Result: INVALID DATE: 20112-03-15 18:50

-- First and last day of date periods - SQL Server 2008 and on code

```

DECLARE @Date DATE = '20161023'

SELECT ReferenceDate = @Date

SELECT FirstDayOfYear = CONVERT(DATE, dateadd(yy, datediff(yy,0, @Date),0))

SELECT LastDayOfYear = CONVERT(DATE, dateadd(yy, datediff(yy,0, @Date)+1,-1))

```

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SELECT FDofSemester = CONVERT(DATE, dateadd(qq,(((datediff(qq,0,@Date)/2)*2),0))

        SELECT LastDayOfSemester

        = CONVERT(DATE, dateadd(qq,(((datediff(qq,0,@Date)/2)*2)+2,-1))

SELECT FirstDayOfQuarter = CONVERT(DATE, dateadd(qq, datediff(qq,0, @Date),0))

        -- 2016-10-01

SELECT LastDayOfQuarter = CONVERT(DATE, dateadd(qq, datediff(qq,0,@Date)+1,-1))

        -- 2016-12-31

SELECT FirstDayOfMonth = CONVERT(DATE, dateadd(mm, datediff(mm,0, @Date),0))

        SELECT LastDayOfMonth = CONVERT(DATE, dateadd(mm, datediff(mm,0,
        @Date)+1,-1))

        SELECT FirstDayOfWeek = CONVERT(DATE, dateadd(wk, datediff(wk,0, @Date),0))

SELECT LastDayOfWeek = CONVERT(DATE, dateadd(wk, datediff(wk,0, @Date)+1,-1))

        -- 2016-10-30

        -- Month sequence generator - sequential numbers / dates

        DECLARE @Date date = '2000-01-01'

        SELECT MonthStart=dateadd(MM, number, @Date)

        FROM master.dbo.spt_values

        WHERE type='P' AND dateadd(MM, number, @Date) <= CURRENT_TIMESTAMP

        ORDER BY MonthStart

        /* MonthStart

        2000-01-01

        2000-02-01

        2000-03-01 ....*/

```

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-- Selected named date styles

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DECLARE @DateTimeValue varchar(32)

-- US-Style

SELECT @DateTimeValue = '10/23/2016'

SELECT StringDate=@DateTimeValue,
[US-Style] = CONVERT(datetime, @DatetimeValue)


SELECT @DateTimeValue = '10/23/2016 23:01:05'

SELECT StringDate = @DateTimeValue,
[US-Style] = CONVERT(datetime, @DatetimeValue)


-- UK-Style, British/French - convert string to datetime sql
-- sql convert string to datetime

SELECT @DateTimeValue = '23/10/16 23:01:05'

SELECT StringDate = @DateTimeValue,
[UK-Style] = CONVERT(datetime, @DatetimeValue, 3)


SELECT @DateTimeValue = '23/10/2016 04:01 PM'

SELECT StringDate = @DateTimeValue,
[UK-Style] = CONVERT(datetime, @DatetimeValue, 103)


-- German-Style

SELECT @DateTimeValue = '23.10.16 23:01:05'

SELECT StringDate = @DateTimeValue,
[German-Style] = CONVERT(datetime, @DatetimeValue, 4)


SELECT @DateTimeValue = '23.10.2016 04:01 PM'

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SELECT StringDate = @DateTimeValue,
[German-Style] = CONVERT(datetime, @DatetimeValue, 104)

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-- Double conversion to US-Style 107 with century: Oct 23, 2016

SET @DateTimeValue='10/23/16'

SELECT StringDate=@DateTimeValue,
[US-Style] = CONVERT(varchar, CONVERT(datetime, @DateTimeValue),107)


-- Using DATEFORMAT - UK-Style - SQL dateformat

SET @DateTimeValue='23/10/16'

SET DATEFORMAT dmy

SELECT StringDate=@DateTimeValue,
[Date Time] = CONVERT(datetime, @DatetimeValue)

-- Using DATEFORMAT - US-Style

SET DATEFORMAT mdy
-- Finding out date format for a session

SELECT session_id, date_format from sys.dm_exec_sessions

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-- Convert date string from DD/MM/YYYY UK format to MM/DD/YYYY US format
DECLARE @UKdate char(10) = '15/03/2016'
SELECT CONVERT(CHAR(10), CONVERT(datetime, @UKdate,103),101)

-- 03/15/2016

-- DATEPART datetime function example - SQL Server datetime functions

SELECT * FROM Northwind.dbo.Orders

WHERE DATEPART(YEAR, OrderDate) = '1996' AND

DATEPART(MONTH,OrderDate) = '07' AND

DATEPART(DAY, OrderDate) = '10'

```

**-- Alternate syntax for DATEPART example**

```
SELECT * FROM Northwind.dbo.Orders  
WHERE YEAR(OrderDate)      = '1996' AND  
      MONTH(OrderDate)     = '07'  AND  
      DAY(OrderDate)       = '10'
```

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**-- T-SQL calculate the number of business days function / UDF - exclude SAT & SUN**

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```
CREATE FUNCTION fnBusinessDays (@StartDate DATETIME, @EndDate  DATETIME)
```

```
RETURNS INT AS
```

```
BEGIN
```

```
IF (@StartDate IS NULL OR @EndDate IS NULL) RETURN (0)
```

```
DECLARE @i INT = 0;
```

```
WHILE (@StartDate <= @EndDate)
```

```
BEGIN
```

```
SET @i = @i + CASE
```

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  WHEN datepart(dw,@StartDate) BETWEEN 2 AND 6 THEN 1
```

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    ELSE 0
```

```
END
```

```
SET @StartDate = @StartDate + 1
```

```
END -- while
```

```
RETURN (@i)
```

```
END -- function
```

```
GO
```

```
SELECT dbo.fnBusinessDays('2016-01-01','2016-12-31')
```



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-- T-SQL DATENAME function usage for weekdays

```
SELECT DayName=DATENAME(weekday, OrderDate), SalesPerWeekDay = COUNT(*)
FROM AdventureWorks2008.Sales.SalesOrderHeader
GROUP BY DATENAME(weekday, OrderDate), DATEPART(weekday,OrderDate)
ORDER BY DATEPART(weekday,OrderDate)

/* DayName  SalesPerWeekDay

    Sunday    4482

    Monday    4591

    Tuesday   4346.... */
```

-- DATENAME application for months

```
SELECT MonthName=DATENAME(month, OrderDate), SalesPerMonth = COUNT(*)
FROM AdventureWorks2008.Sales.SalesOrderHeader
GROUP BY DATENAME(month, OrderDate), MONTH(OrderDate) ORDER BY
MONTH(OrderDate)

/* MonthName  SalesPerMonth

    January    2483

    February    2686

    March       2750

    April       2740.... */
```

-- Getting month name from month number

```
SELECT DATENAME(MM,dateadd(MM,7,-1)) -- July
```

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-- Extract string date from text with PATINDEX pattern matching

**-- Apply sql server string to date conversion**

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**USE tempdb;**

**go**

**CREATE TABLE InsiderTransaction (**

**InsiderTransactionID int identity primary key,**

**TradeDate datetime,**

**TradeMsg varchar(256),**

**ModifiedDate datetime default (getdate()))**

**-- Populate table with dummy data**

**INSERT InsiderTransaction (TradeMsg) VALUES(**

**'INSIDER TRAN QABC Hammer, Bruce D. CSO 09-02-08 Buy 2,000 6.10')**

**INSERT InsiderTransaction (TradeMsg) VALUES(**

**'INSIDER TRAN QABC Schmidt, Steven CFO 08-25-08 Buy 2,500 6.70')**

**INSERT InsiderTransaction (TradeMsg) VALUES(**

**'INSIDER TRAN QABC Hammer, Bruce D. CSO 08-20-08 Buy 3,000 8.59')**

**INSERT InsiderTransaction (TradeMsg) VALUES(**

**'INSIDER TRAN QABC Walters, Jeff CTO 08-15-08 Sell 5,648 8.49')**

**INSERT InsiderTransaction (TradeMsg) VALUES(**

**'INSIDER TRAN QABC Walters, Jeff CTO 08-15-08 Option Execute 5,648 2.15')**

**INSERT InsiderTransaction (TradeMsg) VALUES(**

**'INSIDER TRAN QABC Hammer, Bruce D. CSO 07-31-08 Buy 5,000 8.05')**

**INSERT InsiderTransaction (TradeMsg) VALUES(**

**'INSIDER TRAN QABC Lennot, Mark B. Director 08-31-07 Buy 1,500 9.97')**

**INSERT InsiderTransaction (TradeMsg) VALUES(**

**'INSIDER TRAN QABC O"Neal, Linda COO 08-01-08 Sell 5,000 6.50')**

```
-- Extract dates from stock trade message text

-- Pattern match for MM-DD-YY using the PATINDEX string function
```

```
SELECT TradeDate=substring(TradeMsg,
patindex('%[01][0-9]-[0123][0-9]-[0-9][0-9]%', TradeMsg),8)

FROM InsiderTransaction

WHERE patindex('%[01][0-9]-[0123][0-9]-[0-9][0-9]%', TradeMsg) > 0
```

```
/* Partial results
```

```
TradeDate
```

```
09-02-08
```

```
08-25-08
```

```
08-20-08 */
```

```
-- Update table with extracted date
```

```
-- Convert string date to datetime
```

```
UPDATE InsiderTransaction

SET TradeDate = convert(datetime, substring(TradeMsg,
patindex('%[01][0-9]-[0123][0-9]-[0-9][0-9]%', TradeMsg),8))

WHERE patindex('%[01][0-9]-[0123][0-9]-[0-9][0-9]%', TradeMsg) > 0
```

```
SELECT * FROM InsiderTransaction ORDER BY TradeDate desc
```

```
/* Partial results
```

```
InsiderTransactionID TradeDate TradeMsg ModifiedDate
```

```
1 2008-09-02 00:00:00.000 INSIDER TRAN QABC Hammer, Bruce D. CSO 09-02-08 Buy
2,000 6.10 2008-12-22 20:25:19.263

2 2008-08-25 00:00:00.000 INSIDER TRAN QABC Schmidt, Steven CFO 08-25-08 Buy
2,500 6.70 2008-12-22 20:25:19.263 */
```

```
-- Cleanup task
```

## DROP TABLE InsiderTransaction

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### VALID DATE RANGES FOR DATE / DATETIME DATA TYPES

DATE (3 bytes) date range:

January 1, 1 A.D. through December 31, 9999 A.D.

SMALLDATETIME (4 bytes) date range:

January 1, 1900 through June 6, 2079

DATETIME (8 bytes) date range:

January 1, 1753 through December 31, 9999

DATETIME2 (6-8 bytes) date range:

January 1, 1 A.D. through December 31, 9999 A.D.

-- The statement below will give a date range error

```
SELECT CONVERT(smalldatetime, '2110-01-01')
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/* Msg 242, Level 16, State 3, Line 1
```

The conversion of a varchar data type to a smalldatetime data type

resulted in an out-of-range value. \*/

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-- SQL CONVERT DATE/DATETIME script applying table variable

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-- SQL Server convert date

-- Datetime column is converted into date only string column

```
DECLARE @sqlConvertDate TABLE ( DatetimeColumn datetime,  
DateColumn char(10));
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INSERT @sqlConvertDate (DatetimeColumn) SELECT GETDATE()
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UPDATE @sqlConvertDate
```

```
SET DateColumn = CONVERT(char(10), DatetimeColumn, 111)
```

```
SELECT * FROM @sqlConvertDate
```

```
-- SQL Server convert datetime - String date column converted into datetime column
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```
UPDATE @sqlConvertDate
```

```
SET DatetimeColumn = CONVERT(Datetime, DateColumn, 111)
```

```
SELECT * FROM @sqlConvertDate
```

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-- Equivalent formulation - SQL Server cast datetime
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```
UPDATE @sqlConvertDate
```

```
SET DatetimeColumn = CAST(DateColumn AS datetime)
```

```
SELECT * FROM @sqlConvertDate
```

```
/* First results
```

DatetimeColumn	DateColumn
2012-12-25 15:54:10.363	2012/12/25 */

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/* Second results:
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DatetimeColumn	DateColumn
2012-12-25 00:00:00.000	2012/12/25 */

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-- SQL date sequence generation with dateadd & table variable
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-- SQL Server cast datetime to string - SQL Server insert default values method
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```
DECLARE @Sequence table (Sequence int identity(1,1))
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DECLARE @i int; SET @i = 0
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WHILE ( @i < 500)

BEGIN

INSERT @Sequence DEFAULT VALUES

SET @i = @i + 1

END

SELECT DateSequence = CAST(dateadd(day, Sequence,getdate()) AS varchar)

FROM @Sequence

/* Partial results:

DateSequence

Dec 31 2008 3:02AM

Jan 1 2009 3:02AM

Jan 2 2009 3:02AM

Jan 3 2009 3:02AM

Jan 4 2009 3:02AM */

-- SETTING FIRST DAY OF WEEK TO SUNDAY

SET DATEFIRST 7;

SELECT @@DATEFIRST

-- 7

SELECT CAST('2016-10-23' AS date) AS SelectDate

,DATEPART(dw, '2016-10-23') AS DayOfWeek;

-- 2016-10-23    1

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-- SQL Last Week calculations

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-- SQL last Friday - Implied string to datetime conversions in dateadd & datediff

DECLARE @BaseFriday CHAR(8), @LastFriday datetime, @LastMonday datetime

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SET @BaseFriday = '19000105'

SELECT @LastFriday = dateadd(dd,
(datediff (dd, @BaseFriday, CURRENT_TIMESTAMP) / 7) * 7, @BaseFriday)

SELECT [Last Friday] = @LastFriday

-- Result: 2008-12-26 00:00:00.000


-- SQL last Monday (last week's Monday)

SELECT @LastMonday=dateadd(dd,
(datediff (dd, @BaseFriday, CURRENT_TIMESTAMP) / 7) * 7 - 4, @BaseFriday)

SELECT [Last Monday]= @LastMonday

-- Result: 2008-12-22 00:00:00.000


-- SQL last week - SUN - SAT

SELECT [Last Week] = CONVERT(varchar,dateadd(day, -1, @LastMonday), 101)+ ' - ' +
CONVERT(varchar,dateadd(day, 1, @LastFriday), 101)

-- Result: 12/21/2008 - 12/27/2008

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-- Specific day calculations

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-- First day of current month

SELECT dateadd(month, datediff(month, 0, getdate()), 0)

-- 15th day of current month

SELECT dateadd(day,14,dateadd(month,datediff(month,0,getdate()),0))

-- First Monday of current month

SELECT dateadd(day, (9-datepart(weekday,
dateadd(month, datediff(month, 0, getdate()), 0)))%7,

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        dateadd(month, datediff(month, 0, getdate()), 0))

-- Next Monday calculation from the reference date which was a Monday

        DECLARE @Now datetime = GETDATE();

DECLARE @NextMonday datetime = dateadd(dd, ((datediff(dd, '19000101', @Now)

        / 7) * 7) + 7, '19000101');

SELECT [Now]=@Now, [Next Monday]=@NextMonday

-- Last Friday of current month

        SELECT dateadd(day, -7+(6-datepart(weekday,

dateadd(month, datediff(month, 0, getdate()))+1, 0)))%7,

        dateadd(month, datediff(month, 0, getdate()))+1, 0))

-- First day of next month

        SELECT dateadd(month, datediff(month, 0, getdate()))+1, 0)

-- 15th of next month

SELECT dateadd(day,14, dateadd(month, datediff(month, 0, getdate()))+1, 0))

-- First Monday of next month

        SELECT dateadd(day, (9-datepart(weekday,

dateadd(month, datediff(month, 0, getdate()))+1, 0)))%7,

        dateadd(month, datediff(month, 0, getdate()))+1, 0))

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-- SQL Last Date calculations

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-- Last day of prior month - Last day of previous month

SELECT convert( varchar, dateadd(dd,-1,dateadd(mm, datediff(mm,0,getdate() ),

        0)),101)

-- 01/31/2019

-- Last day of current month

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SELECT convert( varchar, dateadd(dd,-1,dateadd(mm, datediff(mm,0,getdate())+1,
                                0)),101)

-- 02/28/2019

-- Last day of prior quarter - Last day of previous quarter

SELECT convert( varchar, dateadd(dd,-1,dateadd(qq, datediff(qq,0,getdate() ), 0)),101)

-- 12/31/2018

-- Last day of current quarter - Last day of current quarter

SELECT convert( varchar, dateadd(dd,-1,dateadd(qq, datediff(qq,0,getdate())+1,
                                0)),101)

-- 03/31/2019

-- Last day of prior year - Last day of previous year

SELECT convert( varchar, dateadd(dd,-1,dateadd(yy, datediff(yy,0,getdate() ), 0)),101)

-- 12/31/2018

-- Last day of current year

SELECT convert( varchar, dateadd(dd,-1,dateadd(yy, datediff(yy,0,getdate())+1,
                                0)),101)

-- 12/31/2019

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-- SQL Server dateformat and language setting

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-- T-SQL set language - String to date conversion

SET LANGUAGE us_english

SELECT CAST('2018-03-15' AS datetime)

-- 2018-03-15 00:00:00.000

SET LANGUAGE british

SELECT CAST('2018-03-15' AS datetime)

/* Msg 242, Level 16, State 3, Line 2

```

The conversion of a varchar data type to a datetime data type resulted in  
an out-of-range value.

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SELECT CAST('2018-15-03' AS datetime)

-- 2018-03-15 00:00:00.000

SET LANGUAGE us\_english

-- SQL dateformat with language dependency

SELECT name, alias, dateformat

FROM sys.syslanguages

WHERE langid in (0,1,2,4,5,6,7,10,11,13,23,31)

GO

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name	alias	dateformat
us_english	English	mdy
Deutsch	German	dmy
Français	French	dmy
Dansk	Danish	dmy
Español	Spanish	dmy
Italiano	Italian	dmy
Nederlands	Dutch	dmy
Suomi	Finnish	dmy
Svenska	Swedish	ymd
magyar	Hungarian	ymd
British	British English	dmy

Arabic    Arabic    dmy \*/

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-- Generate list of months

;WITH CTE AS (

SELECT    1 MonthNo, CONVERT(DATE, '19000101') MonthFirst

UNION ALL

SELECT    MonthNo+1, DATEADD(Month, 1, MonthFirst)

FROM CTE WHERE    Month(MonthFirst) < 12    )

SELECT    MonthNo AS MonthNumber, DATENAME(MONTH, MonthFirst) AS  
MonthName

FROM CTE ORDER BY MonthNo

/\* MonthNumber    MonthName

1        January

2        February

3        March ... \*/

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Related articles:

[The ultimate guide to the datetime datatypes](#)

[CAST and CONVERT \(Transact-SQL\)](#)

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