

SQL Quick Reference

The examples below use the following tables:

LECTURER (id, LName) and STUDENT (id, StName, StAdvisor) where StAdvisor is the foreign key for a one-to-many SUPERVISING relationship between the lecturers and the students.

SQL Statement	Syntax	Example
AND / OR	SELECT column_name(s) FROM table_name WHERE condition AND OR condition	SELECT Id, StName FROM Student WHERE ID>1 AND StAdvisor > 2;
ALTER TABLE	ALTER TABLE table_name ADD column_name datatype or ALTER TABLE table_name DROP COLUMN column_name	ALTER TABLE Student ADD Age Number; ALTER TABLE Student DROP COLUMN Age;
AS (alias)	SELECT column_name AS column_alias FROM table_name or SELECT column_name FROM table_name AS table_alias	SELECT StName AS StudentName FROM Student; SELECT StName FROM Student AS KSUStudent;
BETWEEN	SELECT column_name(s) FROM table_name WHERE column_name BETWEEN value1 AND value2	SELECT Id, LName FROM Lecturer WHERE ID BETWEEN 2 AND 4;
CREATE DATABASE	CREATE DATABASE database_name	
CREATE TABLE	CREATE TABLE table_name (column_name1 data_type, column_name2 data_type, ...)	CREATE TABLE Room(RNO Number, RDescription Text);
CREATE INDEX	CREATE INDEX index_name ON table_name (column_name) or CREATE UNIQUE INDEX index_name ON table_name (column_name)	
CREATE VIEW	CREATE VIEW view_name AS SELECT column_name(s) FROM table_name WHERE condition	
DELETE	DELETE FROM table_name WHERE some_column=some_value or DELETE FROM table_name (Note: Deletes the entire table!!) DELETE * FROM table_name (Note: Deletes the entire table!!)	DELETE FROM Room WHERE RNO =2; DELETE FROM Room WHERE RNO BETWEEN 2 AND 4;
DROP DATABASE	DROP DATABASE database_name	

DROP INDEX	DROP INDEX table_name.index_name (SQL Server) DROP INDEX index_name ON table_name (MS Access) DROP INDEX index_name (DB2/Oracle) ALTER TABLE table_name DROP INDEX index_name (MySQL)	
DROP TABLE	DROP TABLE table_name	DROP TABLE Room;
GROUP BY	SELECT column_name, aggregate_function(column_name) FROM table_name WHERE column_name operator value GROUP BY column_name	SELECT StAdvisor, COUNT(ID) FROM Student GROUP BY StAdvisor; SELECT StAdvisor, Avg(Age) FROM Student GROUP BY StAdvisor; SELECT StAdvisor, Avg(Age) FROM Student WHERE StAdvisor > 2 GROUP BY StAdvisor;
HAVING	SELECT column_name, aggregate_function(column_name) FROM table_name WHERE column_name operator value GROUP BY column_name HAVING aggregate_function(column_name) operator value	SELECT StAdvisor, Avg(Age) FROM Student WHERE StAdvisor > 1 GROUP BY StAdvisor HAVING Avg(Age)>10;
IN	SELECT column_name(s) FROM table_name WHERE column_name IN (value1,value2,..)	
INSERT INTO	INSERT INTO table_name VALUES (value1, value2, value3,...) <i>or</i> INSERT INTO table_name (column1, column2, column3,...) VALUES (value1, value2, value3,...)	INSERT INTO Student VALUES (10, 'Mohamed', 3, 15); <i>or</i> INSERT INTO Student (ID, Age) VALUES (11, 15);
LIKE	SELECT column_name(s) FROM table_name WHERE column_name LIKE pattern	SELECT Id, LName FROM Lecturer WHERE LName LIKE 'L*'; SELECT Id, LName FROM Lecturer WHERE LName LIKE 'L?';
ORDER BY	SELECT column_name(s) FROM table_name ORDER BY column_name [ASC DESC]	SELECT Id, LName FROM Lecturer ORDER BY LName DESC ;
SELECT	SELECT column_name(s) FROM table_name	SELECT LName FROM Lecturer
SELECT *	SELECT * FROM table_name	SELECT * FROM Lecturer
SELECT DISTINCT	SELECT DISTINCT column_name(s) FROM table_name	SELECT DISTINCT LName FROM Lecturer
UPDATE	UPDATE table_name SET column1=value, column2=value,... WHERE some_column=some_value	UPDATE Student SET StName='Ali', StAdvisor='2' WHERE ID=1;
WHERE	SELECT column_name(s) FROM table_name WHERE column_name operator value	Most of the examples above!

INNER JOIN	SELECT column_name(s) FROM table_name1 INNER JOIN table_name2 ON table_name1.column_name=table_name2.c olumn_name	SELECT StName, LName FROM Student, Lecturer WHERE Lecturer.ID = StAdvisor; SELECT StName, LName FROM Lecturer INNER JOIN Student ON Lecturer.ID = Student.StAdvisor;
LEFT JOIN	SELECT column_name(s) FROM table_name1 LEFT JOIN table_name2 ON table_name1.column_name=table_name2.c olumn_name	
RIGHT JOIN	SELECT column_name(s) FROM table_name1 RIGHT JOIN table_name2 ON table_name1.column_name=table_name2.c olumn_name	
FULL JOIN	SELECT column_name(s) FROM table_name1 FULL JOIN table_name2 ON table_name1.column_name=table_name2.c olumn_name	
SELECT INTO	SELECT * INTO new_table_name [IN externaldatabase] FROM old_table_name or SELECT column_name(s) INTO new_table_name [IN externaldatabase] FROM old_table_name	
SELECT TOP	SELECT TOP number percent column_name(s) FROM table_name	
TRUNCATE TABLE	TRUNCATE TABLE table_name	
UNION	SELECT column_name(s) FROM table_name1 UNION SELECT column_name(s) FROM table_name2	
UNION ALL	SELECT column_name(s) FROM table_name1 UNION ALL SELECT column_name(s) FROM table_name2	

SQL aggregate functions are: MIN, MAX, SUM, AVG, COUNT

Group By Example 1: What is the average mark for each course?

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SELECT CourseID, Avg(Marks)
FROM Marks
GROUP BY CourseID
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Course ID	Marks
CC151	73.9
CC152	55.5
CC153	55.7
EC111	71.0
EC112	43.5

If there's a GROUP BY clause, only grouped attributes and aggregates may appear in the SELECT clause.

Group By Example 2: How many students are taking each course?

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SELECT CourseID, Count (ID),
FROM Marks
GROUP BY CourseID
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Course ID	Count (ID)
CC151	3
CC152	2
CC153	1
EC111	1
EC112	1

HAVING Clause: How many students are taking each course (only report courses with more than one student)?

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SELECT Course ID, Count (ID),
FROM Marks
GROUP BY Course ID
HAVING Count(ID) > 1
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Course ID	Count (ID)
CC151	3
CC152	2

Comments: WHERE clauses perform filtering *before* the grouping.
HAVING clauses perform filtering *after* the grouping.