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Get the sample databases for ADO.NET code samples.

A number of examples and walkthroughs in the LINQ to SQL documentation use sample SQL Server databases and SQL Server Express. You can download these products free of charge from Microsoft.

Get the Northwind sample database for SQL Server.

Download the script `instnwnd.sql` from the following GitHub repository to create and load the Northwind sample database for SQL Server:

Before you can use the Northwind database, you have to run the downloaded `instnwnd.sql` script file to recreate the database on an instance of SQL Server by using SQL Server Management Studio or a similar tool. Follow the instructions in the Readme file in the repository.

If you're looking for the Northwind database for Microsoft Access, see [Install the Northwind sample database for Microsoft Access](#).

Get the Northwind sample database for Microsoft Access.

The Northwind sample database for Microsoft Access is not available on the Microsoft Download Center. To install Northwind directly from within Access, do the following things:

Enter Northwind in the Search for Online Templates box, and then select Enter .

On the results screen, select Northwind . A new window opens with a description of the Northwind database.

In the new window, in the File Name text box, provide a filename for your copy of the Northwind database.

Select Create . Access downloads the Northwind database and prepares the file.

When this process is complete, the database opens with a Welcome screen.

Get the AdventureWorks sample database for SQL Server.

Download the AdventureWorks sample database for SQL Server from the following GitHub repository:

After you download one of the database backup (*.bak) files, restore the backup to an instance of SQL Server by using SQL Server Management Studio (SSMS). See [Get SQL Server Management Studio](#).

Get SQL Server Management Studio.

If you want to view or modify a database that you've downloaded, you can use SQL Server Management Studio (SSMS). Download SSMS from the following page:

You can also view and manage databases in the Visual Studio integrated development environment (IDE). In Visual Studio, connect to the database from SQL Server Object Explorer , or create a Data Connection to the database in Server Explorer . Open these explorer panes from the View menu.

Get SQL Server Express.

SQL Server Express is a free, entry-level edition of SQL Server that you can redistribute with applications. Download SQL Server Express from the following page:

If you're using Visual Studio, SQL Server Express LocalDB is included in the free Community edition of Visual Studio, as well as the Professional and higher editions.

List Data Files for All Databases on SQL Server.

`sys.master_files` lists all data files of all databases on current SQL Server instance on the other hand `sys.database_files` lists only database data files for current database where the query is executed on. Using `sys.master_files` SQL developer and administrators can easily get the list of all data files for all databases created on a SQL Server instance. But if you used to query `sys.database_files` system view for database files and data file properties, it will not be enough for getting information about an other database's data files like file size, file name and path, etc.

In past, I used `sys.database_files` with `sp_MSForEachDB` stored procedure. You can review my SQL tutorial [get a list of SQL Server databases and the database sizes](#) . Of course, now SQL programmers can succeed the same task by only querying `sys.master_files` system view easily in a single step. Here is how.

This SQL tutorial shows how to list information about all data files and log files for all databases created on a SQL Server instance.

Let's start with demonstrating the limited use of `sys.database_files` System view `sys.database_files` returns only the data files (.mdf or .ndf) and log files (.ldf) of the current database where the SQL command is executed on.

As seen in below, the result set contains only data files of current database named "kodyaz.development"

Unfortunately, for some cases SQL developer or the SQL Server database administrator require to get data files for all databases. For example, recently I required to develop a script which will create snapshots for all databases on the SQL Server. So I need to know every data file for each database on that server. So I used `sys.master_files` view for creating database snapshot one by one for the all databases created on the SQL Server instance.

Here how programmers can query `sys.master_files` as a system-wide solution.

And below is the screenshot, showing that the query results from `sys.master_files` system view successfully returns all information about data files for all databases that the administrators create on that target SQL Server database instance.

SQL programmer can use the `database_id` column for filtering database files for a specific database like shown in below query.

Download SQL Server Data Tools (SSDT) for Visual Studio.

SQL Server Data Tools (SSDT) is a modern development tool for building SQL Server relational databases, databases in Azure SQL, Analysis Services (AS) data models, Integration Services (IS) packages, and Reporting Services (RS) reports. With SSDT, you can design and deploy any SQL Server content type with the same ease as you would develop an application in Visual Studio.

SSDT for Visual Studio 2019.

Changes in SSDT for Visual Studio 2019.

The core SSDT functionality to create database projects has remained integral to Visual Studio.

With Visual Studio 2019, the required functionality to enable Analysis Services, Integration Services, and Reporting Services projects has moved into the respective Visual Studio (VSIX) extensions only.

There's no SSDT standalone installer for Visual Studio 2019.

Install SSDT with Visual Studio 2019.

If Visual Studio 2019 is already installed, you can edit the list of workloads to include SSDT. If you don't have Visual Studio 2019 installed, then you can download and install Visual Studio 2019 Community.

To modify the installed Visual Studio workloads to include SSDT, use the Visual Studio Installer.

Launch the Visual Studio Installer. In the Windows Start menu, you can search for "installer".

In the installer, select for the edition of Visual Studio that you want to add SSDT to, and then choose Modify .

Select SQL Server Data Tools under Data storage and processing in the list of workloads.

For Analysis Services, Integration Services, or Reporting Services projects, you can install the appropriate extensions from within Visual Studio with Extensions > Manage Extensions or from the Marketplace.

SSDT for Visual Studio 2017.

Changes in SSDT for Visual Studio 2017.

Starting with Visual Studio 2017, the functionality of creating Database Projects has been integrated into the Visual Studio installation. There's no need to install the SSDT standalone installer for the core SSDT experience.

Now to create Analysis Services, Integration Services, or Reporting Services projects, you still need the SSDT standalone installer.

Install SSDT with Visual Studio 2017.

To install SSDT during Visual Studio installation, select the Data storage and processing workload, and then select SQL Server Data Tools .

If Visual Studio is already installed, use the Visual Studio Installer to modify the installed workloads to include SSDT.

Launch the Visual Studio Installer. In the Windows Start menu, you can search for "installer".

In the installer, select for the edition of Visual Studio that you want to add SSDT to, and then choose Modify .

Select SQL Server Data Tools under Data storage and processing in the list of workloads.

Install Analysis Services, Integration Services, and Reporting Services tools.

To install Analysis Services, Integration Services, and Reporting Services project support, run the SSDT standalone installer.

The installer lists available Visual Studio instances to add SSDT tools. If Visual Studio isn't already installed, selecting Install a new SQL Server

Data Tools instance installs SSDT with a minimal version of Visual Studio, but for the best experience, we recommend using SSDT with the latest version of Visual Studio.

SSDT for VS 2017 (standalone installer)

Before installing SSDT for Visual Studio 2017 (15.9.8), uninstall Analysis Services Projects and Reporting Services Projects extensions if they are already installed, and close all VS instances. Removed the inbox component Power Query Source for SQL Server 2017. Now we have announced Power Query Source for SQL Server 2017 & 2019 as out-of-box component, which can be downloaded here. To design packages using Oracle and Teradata connectors and targeting an earlier version of SQL Server prior to SQL 2019, in addition to the Microsoft Oracle Connector for SQL 2019 and Microsoft Teradata Connector for SQL 2019, you need to also install the corresponding version of Microsoft Connector for Oracle and Teradata by Attunity.

Release Notes.

System requirements.

SSDT for Visual Studio 2017 has the same system requirements as Visual Studio.

Available Languages - SSDT for VS 2017.

This release of SSDT for VS 2017 can be installed in the following languages:

Considerations and limitations.

You can't install the community version offline.

To upgrade SSDT, you need to follow the same path used to install SSDT. For example, if you added SSDT using the VSIX extensions, then you must upgrade via the VSIX extensions. If you installed SSDT via a separate install, then you need to upgrade using that method.

Offline install.

To install SSDT when you're not connected to the internet, follow the steps in this section. For more information, see Create a network installation of Visual Studio 2017.

First, complete the following steps while online :

While still online, execute one of the following commands to download all the files required for installing offline. Using the --layout option is the key, it downloads the actual files for the offline installation. Replace <filepath> with the actual layouts path to save the files.

For a specific language, pass the locale: vs_sql.exe --layout c:\<filepath> --lang en-us (a single language is.

After completing the previous steps, the following steps below can be done offline :

Run vs_setup.exe --NoWeb to install the VS2017 Shell and SQL Server Data Project.

From the layouts folder, run SSDT-Setup-ENU.exe /install and select SSIS/SSRS/SSAS. a. For an unattended installation, run SSDT-Setup-ENU.exe /INSTALLALL[:vsinstances] /passive .

For available options, run SSDT-Setup-ENU.exe /help.

If using a full version of Visual Studio 2017, create an offline folder for SSDT only, and run SSDT-Setup-ENU.exe from this newly created folder (don't add SSDT to another Visual Studio 2017 offline layout). If you add the SSDT layout to an existing Visual Studio offline layout, the necessary runtime (.exe) components are not created there.

Supported SQL versions.

Project Templates SQL Platforms Supported Relational databases SQL Server 2005* - SQL Server 2017 (use SSDT 17.x or SSDT for Visual Studio 2017 to connect to SQL Server on Linux)

Azure SQL Database.

Azure Synapse Analytics (supports queries only; database projects aren't yet supported)

* SQL Server 2005 support is deprecated,

DacFx.

SSDT for Visual Studio 2015 and 2017 both use DacFx 17.4.1: Download Data-Tier Application Framework (DacFx) 17.4.1.

Previous versions.

To download and install SSDT for Visual Studio 2015, or an older version of SSDT, see Previous releases of SQL Server Data Tools (SSDT and SSDT-BI).

See Also.

Next steps.

After installing SSDT, work through these tutorials to learn how to create databases, packages, data models, and reports using SSDT.

SQL developer tools.

Focus on what you love: building great apps. Get the tools and APIs for your preferred platform to build intelligent, data-driven apps—fast.

Azure Data Studio.

Azure Data Studio offers a modern editor experience for managing data across multiple sources with fast intellisense, code snippets, source control integration and an integrated terminal. Access, configure, monitor, and manage the Azure Data family of on-premises and cloud data platforms on Windows, MacOS and Linux with this graphical tool.

SQL extension for Visual Studio Code.

Enable a T-SQL inner loop on your favorite code editor for Windows, Linux, or macOS. Connect to your SQL database running on Windows or Linux, on-premises or in any cloud. Access code editing features—such as IntelliSense and keyword completion—to more efficiently write T-SQL code, run queries, view results, and save to CSV or JSON formats.

SQL Server Data Tools.

Easily build, debug, maintain, and refactor databases inside Visual Studio. SQL Server Data Tools (SSDT) introduces a declarative model that spans all the phases of database development—enabling continuous integration and deployment for your databases. Work with a database project, or work directly with a connected database instance in Azure SQL Database, Azure SQL Data Warehouse, and SQL Server—running on Windows or Linux, on-premises or in any cloud.

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To use remote data access (RDA), you must grant access to the Microsoft SQL Server database based on how Microsoft Internet Information Services (IIS) and SQL Server Authentication are configured. This step can be completed by implementing RDA programmatically.

The following table lists the database access that must be granted for the different IIS authentication modes and SQL Server Authentication modes used.

IIS authentication mode.

SQL Server authentication mode.

Must grant database access to.

Integrated Windows Authentication.

computename\IUSR_computename or the configured IIS anonymous user account.

Integrated Windows Authentication.

The IIS client's user or group .

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The IIS client's user or group. This configuration is supported only if SQL Server and IIS are running on the same computer.

Anonymous access, Basic authentication, or Integrated Windows Authentication.

SQL Server Authentication.

The user specified in the SQL Server OLEDBConnectionString parameter of the Pull, Push, or SubmitSQL method in the RDA object.

For example, if you are using anonymous access as the IIS authentication mode and Integrated Windows Authentication, you will have to grant database access to computename\IUSR_computename, which is supported only if the computer is running both SQL Server and IIS because this is not a domain account, or the configured IIS anonymous user account.

To configure database access.

On the computer that is running SQL Server, start SQL Server Management Studio. In the Registered Servers pane, double-click SQL Server .

In the object explorer pane, expand SQL Server , expand the Security folder, right-click Logins , and then click New Login .

In the Login – New dialog box, specify either Windows Authentication or SQL Server Authentication mode.

If you are using Windows Authentication, enter a logon name and select either the Grant Access or the Deny Access option.

If you are using SQL Server Authentication, type a logon name and password, and then confirm the password.

In the left pane, click Database Access .

In the right pane, select the Permit check box for the databases you are granting access to, and then click OK .