



WHAT IS A SQL VIRTUAL DATABASE?

SQL virtual database

[sé-kwəl vər-chə-wəl dā-tə-bās]

–noun

1. a powerful, new one-of-a-kind solution that lets you attach SQL Server backup files and query them just like they were real databases.
2. revolutionary, patent-pending technology that allows DBAs to gain instant-access to critical data in a backup file without spending the time or storage to restore the database.
3. provides a mechanism to attach a backup file, and use any native SQL Server or third-party tool to query and extract the data...in minutes!

Uses:

- I saved the cost of two servers using *SQL virtual database!*
- *SQL virtual database* got my data back in four minutes, not four hours!
- Running my BI reports off a *SQL virtual database* saved me three terabytes!



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SQL virtual database™

SQL virtual database is a new revolutionary, patent-pending technology that allows instant-access to critical data in a backup file without wasting the time or storage necessary to restore the database. Just attach the backup file, and use any native SQL Server or third-party tool to query and extract the data you need... *in minutes.*

WHAT IS A VIRTUAL DATABASE?

A virtual database (VDB) is a software implementation of a database that enables data storage and retrieval just like a physical database. Because a virtual database acts like a physical database, you can access any data or object in the virtual database using T-SQL scripts, third-party applications, reporting tools, and database management tools such as Microsoft SQL Server Management Studio. Database management tools interact with and display the virtual database as an actual physical database.



How does SQL virtual database work? It's as easy as 1, 2, 3!

1. Browse your backup files to find the one you need— full, differential, and log!
2. Use SQL virtual database to attach the backup file to SQL Server— IN SECONDS!
3. Use ANY native SQL Server or third party tool to query and extract the data you need—IMMEDIATELY!

What can you do with a virtual database?

Virtually anything you want! SQL Server can't tell the difference between a virtual database and a real database, so you can view, query, and extract data just like it was a real database. ***Within seconds.***

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SQL VIRTUAL DATABASE

Ever had to restore a backup file just to perform a 5-minute task?

What a pain! First you have to search for a server with enough space, then you have to spend hours waiting for the restore to complete. With SQL virtual database, you gain immediate access to the information in your backups without the hassle!

Here are just a few examples of how you can save time, storage space and hassle by creating virtual databases:



Attach a backup of your SharePoint database as a virtual database and recover a SharePoint document in 10 minutes rather than 4 hours!



Satisfy auditor requirements in minutes by comparing permissions between your production database and a virtual database created from last quarter's backup!



Use your backups as database snapshots to accurately recover data or objects from any point-in-time!



Identify database changes between the live database and yesterday's backup by creating a virtual database... *in seconds!*



Use your backup files for reporting and analysis rather than the hassle of log shipping!



Report on sales figures for the prior five weeks using SQL Server Reporting Services against five backups attached as virtual databases, saving terabytes of disk space!

The virtual database is online so quickly, it's almost instantaneous!

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