



# Trace Converter v2.0 for SQL 2008 / 2008 R2

A tool that converts SQL trace to Excel file

This tool converts SQL Profiler trace file (.trc file) / SQL trace table to MS Excel file (.xls file).

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## • Prerequisites

Basically if you can run Excel and SQL Profiler 2008/R2 on your machine, this tool will work fine.

Technically, the following components are required to run this tool properly.

- .NET Framework 2.0 (if you have SQL Server Management Tools below, this is already in your system)
- SQL Server Management Tools (SQL Server 2008 / SQL Server 2008 R2)  
(For SQL 2005 or 2012, use different version of Trace Converter)
- Excel 2007 or Excel 2010

## • What's New in v2.0

- Trace Converter v2.0 supports large trace file. Prior version has a problem that cannot convert if the number of trace rows are greater than 65536.
- Trace Converter v2.0 shows conversion progress every 1000 row.
- Trace Converter v2.0 is available for SQL 2005, 2008, 2008 R2 and 2012.
- Trace Converter v1.5 or above Supports SQL Trace Table.
- Trace Converter v1.5 or above translates Binary trace column data to Excel.

## • How to convert trace file to excel file

This tool converts SQL Profiler trace file to Excel file format.

### Syntax

**TraceConverter.exe <trace\_input\_file> <excel\_output\_file>**

### Example1

To convert test.trc file to test.xls file:

**C> TraceConverter.exe test.trc test.xls**

- You should use .XLS file extension.
- If output filename already exists, you will be required to specify a different filename.
- You have to use matching TraceConverter tool for different version of trace file. For example, you should use Trace Converter for SQL 2005 for SQL 2005 trace file.

## • How to convert trace table to excel file

This tool also converts SQL trace table to Excel file format.

### Syntax

**TraceConverter.exe /t <trace\_input\_table> <excel\_output\_file>**

**<trace\_input\_table> format : serverName.dbName.schema.tableName**

### Example1

To convert [Trace1] table (assuming the table is in pubs DB of local SQL Server) to test.xls file:

**C> TraceConverter.exe /t (local).pubs.dbo.Trace1 test.xls**

- Local SQL Server name can be (local) or actual server name. Dot ( . ) for local server is not allowed.
- Remote SQL Server is supported.
- Integrated Security (NT authentication) only. SQL authentication is not allowed.

## • Technical Notes

- If you have SQL Server 2005 Profiler trace file (.trc file), you have to use the following Trace Converter.

**Trace Converter for SQL 2005**

<http://www.sqlmgmt.com/sql/Trace-Converter-for-SQL-2005>

- If you have SQL Server 2012 Profiler trace file (.trc file), you have to use the following Trace Converter.

**Trace Converter for SQL 2012**

<http://www.sqlmgmt.com/sql/Trace-Converter-for-SQL-2012>

## • Related Products

- **Profiler Console** : Run SQL Profiler silently in console mode.  
<http://sqlmgmt.com/sql/Profiler-Console>
- **Find String in Trace** : Find any string in SQL trace file

<http://sqlmgmt.com/sql/Find-string-in-Trace>

NOTE: Any bug report or suggestion would be highly appreciated.

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