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**NAME**

DBSchemaTablesToTextFiles.pl - Export table data from database SchemaName(s) into CSV/TSV text files

**SYNOPSIS**

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DBSchemaTablesToTextFiles.pl [-d, --dbdriver *mysql* | *Oracle* | *Postgres* or *Pg*] [--dbhost *hostname*] [--dbname *databasename*] [--dbpassword *password*] [--dbusername *username*] [--exportdatalabels *yes* | *no*] [--exportlobs *yes* | *no*] [-h, --help] [-m, --mode *exportdata* | *describetable*] [-n, --numoutfilesmode *single* | *multiple*] [-o, --overwrite] [--outdelim *comma* | *tab* | *semicolon*] [-q, --quote *yes* | *no*] [-r, --root *rootname*] [--replacenullstr *string*] [-w --workingdir *dirname*] SchemaName(s)...

**DESCRIPTION**

Export table data from database SchemaName(s) into CSV/TSV text files. Use -n --numoutfiles option to control the number of text files generated for a database schema.

**OPTIONS**

-d, --dbdriver *mysql* | *Oracle* | *Postgres* or *Pg*

Database driver name. Possible values: *mysql*, *Oracle*, *Postgres* or *Pg*. Default: *MySQL* or value of environment variable DBI\_DRIVER. This script has only been tested with MySQL, Oracle and PostgreSQL drivers.

--dbhost *hostname*

Database host name. Default: *127.0.0.1* for both MySQL and Oracle. For remote databases, specify complete remote host domain: *dbhostname.org* or something like it.

--dbname *databasename*

Database name. Default: *mysql* for MySQL, *postgres* for PostgreSQL and *none* for Oracle. For connecting to local/remote Oracle databases, this value can be left undefined assuming --dbhost is correctly specified.

--dbpassword *password*

Database user password. Default: *none* and value of environment variable DBI\_PASS is used for connecting to database.

--dbusername *username*

Database user name. Default: *none* and value of environment variable DBI\_USER is used for connecting to database.

--exportdatalabels *yes* | *no*

This option is mode specific and controls exporting of column data labels during exportdata mode. Possible values: *yes* or *no*. Default: *yes*.

--exportlobs *yes* | *no*

This option is mode specific and controls exporting of CLOB/BLOB or BYTEA data columns during exportdata mode. Possible values: *yes* or *no*. Default: *no*.

-h, --help

Print this help message.

-m, --mode *exportdata* | *describetable*

Data selection criterion from database. Possible values: *exportdata* or *describetable*. Default value: *exportdata*.

-n, --numoutfilesmode *single* | *multiple*

Number of CSV/TSV output files to generate: combine output into one file or generate a different file for each table in a schema. Possible values: *single* or *multiple*. Default: *single*.

In a single output file, data for different tables is separated by a blank line.

Single outfile option in *exportdata* mode is quite useful for exporting data from all tables in specified schemas to one file which can be used for migrating data to another database or simply provide a backup of data; during *describetable* mode, it provides a means to collect information about columns of all schema tables which can help in creation of these tables on a different database server.

-o, --overwrite

Overwrite existing files.

`--outdelim comma | tab | semicolon`

Output text file delimiter. Possible values: *comma, tab, or semicolon*. Default value: *comma*

`-q, --quote yes | no`

Put quotes around column values in output text file. Possible values: *yes or no*. Default value: *yes*.

`-r, --root rootname`

New file name is generated using the root: `<Root>.<Ext>` and `<Root><TableName>.<Ext>` for *single* and *multiple* `-n --numoutfiles` option values. Default file name for *single* `-n --numoutfiles` option value: `<Mode>SchemaTables.<Ext>`. Default file names for *multiple* `-n --numoutfiles` value: `<Mode><SchemaName><TableName>.<Ext>`. Based on `-m --mode` option, *Export* or *Describe* `<Mode>` value is used. The `csv` and `tsv` `<Ext>` values are used for `comma/semicolon`, and `tab` delimited text files respectively. This option is ignored for multiple input schema names.

`--replacenullstr string`

Replace NULL or undefined row values with specified value. Default: *none*.

For importing output text files into MySQL database using "load data local infile '<tablename>.tsv' into table <tablename>" command, use `--replacenullstr "NULL"` in conjunction with `--exportdatalabels no`, `--quote no`, and `--outdelim tab` options: it'll generate files for direct import into MySQL assuming tables already exists.

`-w --workingdir dirname`

Location of working directory. Default: current directory.

## EXAMPLES

To export data in all tables from `mysql` schema on a MySQL server running on a local machine using `username/password` from `DBI_USER` and `DBI_PASS` environmental variables, type:

```
% DBSchemaTablesToTextFiles.pl mysql
```

To describe all tables in `mysql` and `test` schemas on a MySQL server running on a remote machine using explicit `username/password` and capturing the output into a `DescribeTables.csv` file, type:

```
% DBSchemaTablesToTextFiles.pl --dbdriver mysql --dbuser <name>
--dbpassword <password> --dbname mysql --dbhost
<mysqlhostname.org> -r DescribeTable -m describetable
-o mysql test
```

To describe all tables in `SCOTT` schema in Oracle running on a remote machine using explicit `username/password` and capturing the output into a `DescribeAllTable.tsv` file, type:

```
% DBSchemaTablesToTextFiles.pl --dbdriver Oracle --dbuser <name>
--dbpassword <password> --dbhost <oraclehostname.com>
-r DescribeAllTable -m describetable --outdelim tab --quote no
-o SCOTT
```

To export data in all tables in `mysql` and `test` schemas on a MySQL server running at a local machine using explicit `username/password` and capturing the data in TSV file for each table with empty values substituted with NULL and `clob/blob` data, type:

```
% DBSchemaTablesToTextFiles.pl --dbdriver Oracle --dbuser <name>
--dbpassword <password> -r ExportTables --outdelim tab --quote no
--replacenullstr "NULL" -m exportdata --exportlobs no --numoutfiles
multiple -o user user_info
```

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## SEE ALSO

`DBSQLToTextFiles.pl`, `DBTablesToTextFiles.pl`

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