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NAME

DBToTextFiles.pl - Export data from database TableName(s) into CSV/TSV text files

## SYNOPSIS

DBTablesToTextFiles.pl TableName(s)...

DBTablesToTextFiles.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 | describable] [-o, --overwrite] [--outdelim comma | tab | semicolon] [-q, --quote yes | no] [-r, --root rootname] [--replacenullstr string] [-w --workingdir dirname] TableName(s)...

## DESCRIPTION

Export data from MySQL, Oracle or PostgreSQL database tables into CSV/TSV text files. Or perform describe on all tables and store its output into CSV/TSV text files. A text file is generated for each table.

## 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* | *describable***

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

**-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>. Default new file file names:

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<Mode><TableName>.<Ext>. The csv and tsv <Ext> values are used for comma/semicolon, and tab delimited text files respectively. This option is ignored for multiple input table 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 all data in user and user\_info tables from a MySQL server running on a local machine using username/password from DBI\_USER and DBI\_PASS environmental variables, type:

```
% DBTablesToTextFiles.pl -o user user_info
```

To describe user and user\_info tables in a MySQL server running on a remote machine using explicit username/password and capturing the output into a DescribeTables.csv file, type:

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

To describe table all\_tables in Oracle running on a remote machine using explicit username/password and capturing the output into a DescribeAllTable.tsv file, type:

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

To export all data in user and user\_info tables from MySQL server running on a local machine using explicit username/password and capturing the data in ExportTables.tsv file with empty values substituted with NULL and no column labels, type:

```
% DBTablesToTextFiles.pl --dbdriver Oracle --dbuser <name> --dbpassword
<password> -r ExportTables --outdelim tab --quote no --replacenullstr
"\N" -m exportdata --exportlobs no --exportdatalabels no -o
user user_info
```

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## SEE ALSO

[DBSchemaTablesToTextFiles.pl](#), [DBSQLToTextFiles.pl](#)

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