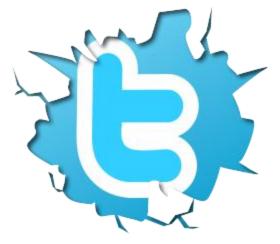
Understanding MSDB's BackupSet

SQL TIPS AND TRICKS: BACKUPSET

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Number 1 Priority!

What's most important to Data Professionals?

Having a reliable backup



We know when our backups are taken
We know where they are stored
We know we can restore them

The Font of Knowledge



SQL Agent Jobs



Linked Servers



CMS Registry



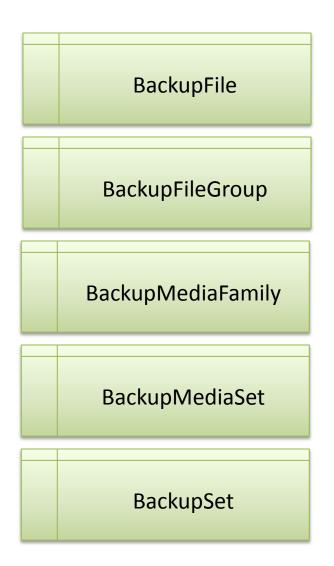
Backups & Restores

RestoreFile

RestoreFileGroup

RestoreHistory

All tables available in SQL 2000+



BackupSet

Success! For Everyone!

Database_name	Database that was backed up
Туре	<u>D</u> (Full) / <u>I</u> (Diff) / <u>L</u> (Log)
Backup_start_date / backup_finish_date	Start and finish time stamps
Backup_size / compressed_size	File size in bytes
First_lsn / last_lsn	Log Sequence numbers in backup

Demos!

Alerts and Trends

Great table to monitor:

- Make sure databases are getting backed up as we expect them to be
- Can we support the current growth of backups?
- Are backups taking longer than our trend? Do they fit within our windows?

Questions

HUH?

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