

Installation Instructions

SAS ODBC Driver

Overview

The SAS ODBC Driver allows you to access and manipulate SAS data using ODBC-compliant applications. Using SAS/ACCESS software on your SAS server, you can also access other relational databases. Furthermore, SAS views can be defined to join database tables from different vendors, creating a virtual data warehouse for your ODBC-enabled applications.

Software Requirements

- Windows NT 4.0, Windows NT Server 4.0, Windows 2000 Professional, all Windows 2000 Server Editions, or Windows XP Professional 4.0
- Microsoft Data Access Components (MDAC) 2.7 or higher

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When you click on the install link in the SAS Software Navigator, the install program will guide you through the installation process. The ODBC driver components will be installed in the default SAS install location, or a location you select.

Using the SAS ODBC Driver

Administering Data Sources

To use the SAS ODBC Driver, you will need to administer, or set up, one or more data sources. A data source definition encapsulates all the information the driver needs to make a connection to a given data source. Upon completion of the install, you will be provided the option to go directly to the data source administration dialog. Should you choose to defer this step, you may access this dialog by following this path:

Windows 2000/XP: **Start**→**Settings**→**Control Panel**→**Administrative Tools**→**Data Sources(ODBC)**

(Windows NT): **Start**→**Settings**→**Control Panel**→**Data Sources(ODBC)**

Information on configuring a data source for use with the SAS ODBC Driver can be found in the online help available from the configuration dialog.

Server Information

When accessing a remote server using the ODBC driver, it is not necessary to have the SAS System installed on the client machine. The server machine must have either Base SAS software and SAS/SHARE software or SAS Scalable Performance Data Server software installed. When accessing SAS data locally, Base SAS must be installed on the local machine.

The SAS Scalable Performance Data Server product is multithreaded server software which takes advantage of symmetric multiprocessor hardware to speed up access to SAS data. Please contact your SAS representative or see the SAS/SPD Server Web site (at <http://www.sas.com/technologies/dw/storage/spds/index.html>) for more information about the SAS Scalable Performance Data Server.

Uninstalling the SAS ODBC Driver

The SAS ODBC Driver can be uninstalled from the **Add/Remove Programs** control panel.

Note: *Other SAS products may install the SAS ODBC Driver. Files related to SAS ODBC Driver will not be removed from your system until all applications that reference the driver are also removed.*

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