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Preface

This manual provides reference information about database initialization parameters, static data dictionary views, dynamic performance views, database limits, and SQL scripts that are part of the Oracle database system.

Oracle9i Database Reference contains information that describes the features and functionality of the Oracle9i (also known as the standard edition) and the Oracle9i Enterprise Edition products. Oracle9i and the Oracle9i Enterprise Edition have the same basic features. However, several advanced features are available only with the Enterprise Edition, and some of these are optional. For example, to use application failover, you must have the Enterprise Edition with the Oracle9i Real Application Clusters option.

See Also: *Oracle9i Database New Features* for information about the differences between Oracle9i and the Oracle9i Enterprise Edition and the features and options that are available to you.

This preface contains these topics:

- [Audience](#)
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Audience

Oracle9i Database Reference is intended for database administrators, system administrators, and database application developers.

To use this document, you need TO BE FAMILIAR WITH THE FOLLOWING:

- Oracle database management system (DBMS) concepts
- Your operating system environment

Organization

This document contains:

Chapter 1, "Initialization Parameters"

This chapter describes the database initialization parameters you can specify in the initialization parameter file to start or configure an instance.

Chapter 2, "Static Data Dictionary Views"

This chapter describes the Oracle data dictionary tables and views, also known as static data dictionary views.

Chapter 3, "Dynamic Performance (V\$) Views"

This chapter describes the dynamic performance views, also known as the V\$ views.

Chapter 4, "Database Limits"

This chapter lists the limits of values associated with database functions and objects.

Chapter 5, "SQL Scripts"

This chapter describes the SQL scripts that are required for optimal operation of the Oracle database server.

Appendix A, "Oracle Wait Events"

This appendix describes some event names, wait times, and parameters for wait events displayed by the V\$SESSION_WAIT and V\$SYSTEM_EVENT views.

Appendix B, "Oracle Enqueue Names"

This appendix lists some enqueues used by Oracle9i.

Appendix C, "Statistics Descriptions"

This appendix describes some statistics stored in the V\$SESSION_WAIT and V\$SYSSTAT dynamic performance views.

Related Documentation

For more information, see these Oracle resources:

- *Oracle9i Database Concepts* for a comprehensive introduction to the concepts and terminology used in this manual
- *Oracle9i Database Administrator's Guide* for information about administering the Oracle database server
- *Oracle9i Database Migration* for the procedures for migrating a previous release of Oracle to Oracle9i
- *Oracle9i SQL Reference* for information on Oracle's SQL commands and functions
- *Oracle9i Application Developer's Guide - Fundamentals* for information about developing database applications within the Oracle database server

Many of the examples in this book use the sample schemas of the seed database, which is installed by default when you install Oracle. Refer to *Oracle9i Sample Schemas* for information on how these schemas were created and how you can use them yourself.

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Conventions

This section describes the conventions used in the text and code examples of this documentation set. It describes:

- [Conventions in Text](#)
- [Conventions in Code Examples](#)

Conventions in Text

We use various conventions in text to help you more quickly identify special terms. The following table describes those conventions and provides examples of their use.

| Convention | Meaning | Example |
|---|---|--|
| Bold | Bold typeface indicates terms that are defined in the text or terms that appear in a glossary, or both. | When you specify this clause, you create an index-organized table . |
| <i>Italics</i> | Italic typeface indicates book titles or emphasis. | <i>Oracle9i Database Concepts</i> Ensure that the recovery catalog and target database do <i>not</i> reside on the same disk. |
| UPPERCASE monospace (fixed-width font) | Uppercase monospace typeface indicates elements supplied by the system. Such elements include parameters, privileges, datatypes, RMAN keywords, SQL keywords, SQL*Plus or utility commands, packages and methods, as well as system-supplied column names, database objects and structures, usernames, and roles. | You can specify this clause only for a NUMBER column. You can back up the database by using the BACKUP command. Query the TABLE_NAME column in the USER_TABLES data dictionary view. Use the DBMS_STATS.GENERATE_STATS procedure. |

| Convention | Meaning | Example |
|---|---|---|
| lowercase monospace (fixed-width font) | Lowercase monospace typeface indicates executables, filenames, directory names, and sample user-supplied elements. Such elements include computer and database names, net service names, and connect identifiers, as well as user-supplied database objects and structures, column names, packages and classes, usernames and roles, program units, and parameter values. Note: Some programmatic elements use a mixture of UPPERCASE and lowercase. Enter these elements as shown. | Enter <code>sqlplus</code> to open SQL*Plus. The password is specified in the <code>orapwd</code> file. Back up the datafiles and control files in the <code>/disk1/oracle/dbs</code> directory. The <code>department_id</code> , <code>department_name</code> , and <code>location_id</code> columns are in the <code>hr.departments</code> table. Set the <code>QUERY_REWRITE_ENABLED</code> initialization parameter to <code>true</code> . Connect as <code>oe</code> user. The <code>JRepUtil</code> class implements these methods. |
| lowercase monospace (fixed-width font) <i>italic</i> | Lowercase monospace italic font represents placeholders or variables. | You can specify the <i>parallel_clause</i> . Run <code>Uold_release.SQL</code> where <i>old_release</i> refers to the release you installed prior to upgrading. |

Conventions in Code Examples

Code examples illustrate SQL, PL/SQL, SQL*Plus, or other command-line statements. They are displayed in a monospace (fixed-width) font and separated from normal text as shown in this example:

```
SELECT username FROM dba_users WHERE username = 'MIGRATE';
```

The following table describes typographic conventions used in code examples and provides examples of their use.

| Convention | Meaning | Example |
|------------|---|---|
| [] | Brackets enclose one or more optional items. Do not enter the brackets. | <code>DECIMAL (digits [, precision])</code> |
| { } | Braces enclose two or more items, one of which is required. Do not enter the braces. | <code>{ENABLE DISABLE}</code> |
| | A vertical bar represents a choice of two or more options within brackets or braces. Enter one of the options. Do not enter the vertical bar. | <code>{ENABLE DISABLE}</code> <code>[COMPRESS NOCOMPRESS]</code> |

| Convention | Meaning | Example |
|----------------|--|---|
| ... | Horizontal ellipsis points indicate either: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ That we have omitted parts of the code that are not directly related to the example ■ That you can repeat a portion of the code | <pre>CREATE TABLE ... AS subquery;</pre> <pre>SELECT col1, col2, ... , coln FROM employees;</pre> |
| . | Vertical ellipsis points indicate that we have omitted several lines of code not directly related to the example. | |
| Other notation | You must enter symbols other than brackets, braces, vertical bars, and ellipsis points as shown. | <pre>acctbal NUMBER(11,2);</pre> <pre>acct CONSTANT NUMBER(4) := 3;</pre> |
| <i>Italics</i> | Italicized text indicates placeholders or variables for which you must supply particular values. | <pre>CONNECT SYSTEM/system_password</pre> <pre>DB_NAME = database_name</pre> |
| UPPERCASE | Uppercase typeface indicates elements supplied by the system. We show these terms in uppercase in order to distinguish them from terms you define. Unless terms appear in brackets, enter them in the order and with the spelling shown. However, because these terms are not case sensitive, you can enter them in lowercase. | <pre>SELECT last_name, employee_id FROM employees;</pre> <pre>SELECT * FROM USER_TABLES;</pre> <pre>DROP TABLE hr.employees;</pre> |
| lowercase | Lowercase typeface indicates programmatic elements that you supply. For example, lowercase indicates names of tables, columns, or files. Note: Some programmatic elements use a mixture of UPPERCASE and lowercase. Enter these elements as shown. | <pre>SELECT last_name, employee_id FROM employees;</pre> <pre>sqlplus hr/hr</pre> <pre>CREATE USER mjones IDENTIFIED BY ty3MU9;</pre> |

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Initialization Parameters

This chapter contains detailed descriptions of the database initialization parameters and includes the following topics:

- [Initialization Parameter File](#)
- [Specifying Values in the Parameter File](#)
- [Reading the Parameter Descriptions](#)
- [Parameter Descriptions](#)

Initialization Parameter File

The initialization parameter file is a text file that contains a list of parameters and a value for each parameter. The file should be written in the client's default character set. Specify values in the parameter file that reflect your installation.

The following are sample entries in a parameter file:

```
PROCESSES = 100
OPEN_LINKS = 12
GLOBAL_NAMES = true
```

The name of the parameter file varies depending on the operating system. For example, it can be in mixed case or lowercase, or it can have a logical name or a variation of the name `INIT.ORA`. Also supplied is an `INITDW.ORA` file, which contains suggested parameter settings for data warehouses and data marts. As the database administrator, you can choose a different filename for your parameter file.

Refer to your operating system-specific Oracle documentation for the default locations and filenames for these parameter files. The initialization parameter file is read by the client-side tool you use to start the server (such as `SQL*Plus`).

Sample parameter files are provided on the Oracle server distribution medium for each operating system. A sample file is sufficient for initial use, but you will probably want to modify the file to tune the database system for best performance. Any changes will take effect after you completely shut down the instance and then restart it.

Database administrators can use initialization parameters to

- Optimize performance by adjusting memory structures, such as the number of database buffers in memory
- Set some database-wide defaults, such as the amount of space initially allocated for a context area when it is created
- Set database limits, such as the maximum number of database users
- Specify names of files

Many initialization parameters can be fine-tuned to improve database performance. Other parameters should never be altered or should be altered only under the supervision of Oracle Support Services.

Specifying Values in the Parameter File

This section describes several aspects of setting parameter values in the parameter file. The following topics are included:

- [Rules Governing Parameter Files](#)
- [Using Special Characters in Parameter Values](#)
- [Changing Parameter Values](#)
- [Displaying Current Parameter Values](#)
- [Uses of Parameters](#)
- [Types of Parameters](#)
- [Parameters You Should Not Specify in the Parameter File](#)
- [When Parameters Are Set Incorrectly](#)

Rules Governing Parameter Files

The following rules govern the specification of parameters in the parameter file:

- All parameters are optional. The server has a default value for each required parameter. This value may be operating system-dependent, depending on the parameter.
- The parameter file should contain only parameters and comments. A pound sign (#) starts a comment line. The rest of the line is ignored.
- You can specify parameters in any order.
- Case (upper or lower) in filenames is significant only if case is significant on the host operating system.
- To enter several parameters on one line, use spaces between parameter names and values, as in the following example:

```
PROCESSES = 100 CPU_COUNT = 1 OPEN_CURSORS = 10
```

- Some parameters, such as `ROLLBACK_SEGMENTS`, accept multiple value entries. Enter multiple values enclosed in parentheses and separated by commas. For example:

```
ROLLBACK_SEGMENTS = (SEG1, SEG2, SEG3, SEG4, SEG5)
```

Alternatively, you can enter multiple values without parentheses and commas. For example:

```
ROLLBACK_SEGMENTS = SEG1 SEG2 SEG3 SEG4 SEG5
```

Either syntax is valid.

If you enter values for one parameter in multiple entries, the entries must be on consecutive lines. If they are not, the first entry will not be processed properly. For example, in the following entry the setting for SEG3 and SEG4 will override the setting for SEG1 and SEG2:

```
ROLLBACK_SEGMENTS = SEG1 SEG2  
OPEN_CURSORS = 10  
ROLLBACK_SEGMENTS = SEG3 SEG4
```

- A backslash (\), also known as an escape character, indicates continuation of the parameter specification. If a backslash continues a line, the continued line must have no leading spaces. For example:

```
ROLLBACK_SEGMENTS = (SEG1, SEG2, \  
SEG3, SEG4, SEG5)
```

- You can use the `IFILE` initialization parameter to call another parameter file, which must be in the same format as the original parameter file.
- Enclose in quotation marks any parameter values that contain spaces or tabs. You can use either single or double quotation marks unless otherwise indicated. For example:

```
NLS_TERRITORY = "CZECH REPUBLIC"
```

Note: Listing parameters in alphabetical order in the initialization parameter file can help you to find them and can help ensure that each parameter is specified only once.

- Enclose in double quotation marks any parameter value that contains a special character.

See Also:

- Your operating system-specific Oracle documentation for more information on parameter files
- ["IFILE"](#) on page 1-64

Using Special Characters in Parameter Values

If a parameter value contains a special character, then the special character must be preceded by a backslash or the entire parameter value must be enclosed in double quotation marks. For example, you can specify special characters using either of the following:

```
DB_DOMAIN = "JAPAN.ACME#.COM"
```

```
DB_DOMAIN = JAPAN.ACME\#.COM
```

[Table 1–1](#) lists the special characters you can use in parameter files.

Table 1–1 Special Characters in the Initialization Parameter File

| Character | Name | Description |
|-----------|-----------------------|---------------------------------|
| # | Number sign | Comment |
| (| Left parenthesis | Start list of values |
|) | Right parenthesis | End list of values |
| " | Double quotation mark | Start or end of quoted string |
| ' | Single quotation mark | Start or end of quoted string |
| = | Equal sign | Separator of keyword and values |
| , | Comma | Separator of elements |
| – | Minus sign | Precedes UNIX-style keywords |
| \ | Backslash | Escape character |

If a special character must be treated literally in the initialization parameter file, it must either be preceded by the backslash character, or the entire string containing the special character must be enclosed in single or double quotation marks.

Using the Escape Character

As described in ["Rules Governing Parameter Files"](#) on page 1-3, the backslash (\) can also signify a line continuation. If the backslash is followed by an alphanumeric character, then the backslash is treated as a normal character in the input. If it is not followed by an alphanumeric character, then the backslash is treated either as a backslash or as a continuation character.

Using Quotation Marks

Quotation marks can be nested in any of three ways. The first method is to double the quotation marks in the nested string. For example:

```
NLS_DATE_FORMAT = "" "Today is" "" MM/DD/YYYY"
```

The second method is to alternate single and double quotation marks. For example:

```
NLS_DATE_FORMAT = ' "Today is" MM/DD/YYYY'
```

The third method is to precede the inner quotation marks with a backslash. For example:

```
NLS_DATE_FORMAT = "\"Today is\" MM/DD/YYYY"
```

Changing Parameter Values

You change the value of a parameter by editing the initialization parameter file. In most cases, the new value takes effect the next time you start an instance of the database. However, you can change the value of some parameters for the duration of the current session, as described in the following section.

Dynamic Parameters

Some initialization parameters are **dynamic**, that is, they can be modified using the `ALTER SESSION` or `ALTER SYSTEM` statement while an instance is running.

Use the following syntax to dynamically alter initialization parameters:

```
ALTER SESSION SET parameter_name = value
ALTER SYSTEM SET parameter_name = value [DEFERRED]
```

Whenever a dynamic parameter is modified using the `ALTER SYSTEM` statement, Oracle records the command that modifies the parameter in the alert log.

The `ALTER SESSION` statement changes the value of the specified parameter for the duration of the session that invokes this statement. The value of this parameter does not change for other sessions in the instance. The value of the initialization parameters listed in [Table 1-2](#) can be changed with `ALTER SESSION`.

The `ALTER SYSTEM` statement without the `DEFERRED` keyword modifies the global value of the parameter for all sessions in the instance, for the duration of the instance (until the database is shut down). The value of the initialization parameters listed in [Table 1-3](#) can be changed with `ALTER SYSTEM`.

The `ALTER SYSTEM ... DEFERRED` statement does not modify the global value of the parameter for existing sessions, but the value will be modified for future sessions that connect to the database. The value of the initialization parameters listed in [Table 1–4](#) can be changed with `ALTER SYSTEM ... DEFERRED`.

Table 1–2 Initialization Parameters Alterable with `ALTER SESSION`

| | |
|--|--|
| <code>CURSOR_SHARING</code> | <code>DB_BLOCK_CHECKING</code> |
| <code>DB_CREATE_FILE_DEST</code> | <code>DB_CREATE_ONLINE_LOG_DEST_n</code> |
| <code>DB_FILE_MULTIBLOCK_READ_COUNT</code> | <code>GLOBAL_NAMES</code> |
| <code>HASH_AREA_SIZE</code> | <code>HASH_JOIN_ENABLED</code> |
| <code>LOG_ARCHIVE_DEST_n</code> | <code>LOG_ARCHIVE_DEST_STATE_n</code> |
| <code>LOG_ARCHIVE_MIN_SUCCEED_DEST</code> | <code>MAX_DUMP_FILE_SIZE</code> |
| <code>NLS_CALENDAR</code> | <code>NLS_COMP</code> |
| <code>NLS_CURRENCY</code> | <code>NLS_DATE_FORMAT</code> |
| <code>NLS_DATE_LANGUAGE</code> | <code>NLS_DUAL_CURRENCY</code> |
| <code>NLS_ISO_CURRENCY</code> | <code>NLS_LANGUAGE</code> |
| <code>NLS_LENGTH_SEMANTICS</code> | <code>NLS_NCHAR_CONV_EXCP</code> |
| <code>NLS_NUMERIC_CHARACTERS</code> | <code>NLS_SORT</code> |
| <code>NLS_TERRITORY</code> | <code>NLS_TIMESTAMP_FORMAT</code> |
| <code>NLS_TIMESTAMP_TZ_FORMAT</code> | <code>OBJECT_CACHE_MAX_SIZE_PERCENT</code> |
| <code>OBJECT_CACHE_OPTIMAL_SIZE</code> | <code>OPTIMIZER_INDEX_CACHING</code> |
| <code>OPTIMIZER_INDEX_COST_ADJ</code> | <code>OPTIMIZER_MAX_PERMUTATIONS</code> |
| <code>OPTIMIZER_MODE</code> | <code>ORACLE_TRACE_ENABLE</code> |
| <code>PARALLEL_BROADCAST_ENABLED</code> | <code>PARALLEL_INSTANCE_GROUP</code> |
| <code>PARALLEL_MIN_PERCENT</code> | <code>PARTITION_VIEW_ENABLED</code> |
| <code>PLSQL_COMPILER_FLAGS</code> | <code>PLSQL_V2_COMPATIBILITY</code> |
| <code>QUERY_REWRITE_ENABLED</code> | <code>QUERY_REWRITE_INTEGRITY</code> |
| <code>REMOTE_DEPENDENCIES_MODE</code> | <code>SESSION_CACHED_CURSORS</code> |
| <code>SORT_AREA_RETAINED_SIZE</code> | <code>SORT_AREA_SIZE</code> |

Table 1–2 Initialization Parameters Alterable with ALTER SESSION

| | |
|-----------------------------|----------------------|
| STAR_TRANSFORMATION_ENABLED | TIMED_OS_STATISTICS |
| TIMED_STATISTICS | TRACEFILE_IDENTIFIER |
| UNDO_SUPPRESS_ERRORS | WORKAREA_SIZE_POLICY |

Table 1–3 Initialization Parameters Alterable with ALTER SYSTEM

| | |
|------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| AQ_TM_PROCESSES | ARCHIVE_LAG_TARGET |
| BACKGROUND_DUMP_DEST | CONTROL_FILE_RECORD_KEEP_TIME |
| CORE_DUMP_DEST | CURSOR_SHARING |
| DB_nK_CACHE_SIZE | DB_BLOCK_CHECKING |
| DB_BLOCK_CHECKSUM | DB_CACHE_ADVICE |
| DB_CACHE_SIZE | DB_CREATE_FILE_DEST |
| DB_CREATE_ONLINE_LOG_DEST_n | DB_FILE_MULTIBLOCK_READ_COUNT |
| DB_KEEP_CACHE_SIZE | DB_RECYCLE_CACHE_SIZE |
| DISPATCHERS | DRS_START |
| FAL_CLIENT | FAL_SERVER |
| FAST_START_IO_TARGET | FAST_START_MTTR_TARGET |
| FAST_START_PARALLEL_ROLLBACK | FIXED_DATE |
| GLOBAL_NAMES | HS_AUTOREGISTER |
| JOB_QUEUE_PROCESSES | LICENSE_MAX_SESSIONS |
| LICENSE_MAX_USERS | LICENSE_SESSIONS_WARNING |
| LOG_ARCHIVE_DEST | LOG_ARCHIVE_DEST_n |
| LOG_ARCHIVE_DEST_STATE_n | LOG_ARCHIVE_DUPLEX_DEST |
| LOG_ARCHIVE_MAX_PROCESSES | LOG_ARCHIVE_MIN_SUCCEED_DEST |
| LOG_ARCHIVE_TRACE | LOG_CHECKPOINT_INTERVAL |
| LOG_CHECKPOINT_TIMEOUT | LOG_CHECKPOINTS_TO_ALERT |
| MAX_DUMP_FILE_SIZE | MTS_DISPATCHERS |
| MTS_SERVERS | NLS_LENGTH_SEMANTICS |
| NLS_NCHAR_CONV_EXCP | OPEN_CURSORS |

Table 1–3 Initialization Parameters Alterable with ALTER SYSTEM

| | |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|
| ORACLE_TRACE_ENABLE | PARALLEL_ADAPTIVE_MULTI_USER |
| PARALLEL_INSTANCE_GROUP | PARALLEL_THREADS_PER_CPU |
| PGA_AGGREGATE_TARGET | PLSQL_COMPILER_FLAGS |
| PLSQL_NATIVE_C_COMPILER | PLSQL_NATIVE_LIBRARY_DIR |
| PLSQL_NATIVE_LIBRARY_SUBDIR_COUNT | PLSQL_NATIVE_LINKER |
| PLSQL_NATIVE_MAKE_FILE_NAME | PLSQL_NATIVE_MAKE_UTILITY |
| PLSQL_V2_COMPATIBILITY | QUERY_REWRITE_ENABLED |
| QUERY_REWRITE_INTEGRITY | REMOTE_DEPENDENCIES_MODE |
| RESOURCE_LIMIT | RESOURCE_MANAGER_PLAN |
| SERVICE_NAMES | SHARED_POOL_SIZE |
| SHARED_SERVERS | STANDBY_ARCHIVE_DEST |
| STANDBY_FILE_MANAGEMENT | STANDBY_PRESERVES_NAMES |
| TIMED_OS_STATISTICS | TIMED_STATISTICS |
| TRACE_ENABLED | UNDO_RETENTION |
| UNDO_SUPPRESS_ERRORS | UNDO_TABLESPACE |
| USER_DUMP_DEST | WORKAREA_SIZE_POLICY |

Table 1–4 Initialization Parameters Alterable with ALTER SYSTEM ... DEFERRED

| | |
|---------------------------|-------------------------------|
| BACKUP_TAPE_IO_SLAVES | OBJECT_CACHE_MAX_SIZE_PERCENT |
| OBJECT_CACHE_OPTIMAL_SIZE | SORT_AREA_RETAINED_SIZE |
| SORT_AREA_SIZE | TRANSACTION_AUDITING |

Displaying Current Parameter Values

To see the current settings for initialization parameters, use the following SQL*Plus statement:

```
SQL> SHOW PARAMETERS
```

This statement displays all parameters in alphabetical order, with their current values.

Enter the following text string to display all parameters having BLOCK in their names:

```
SQL> SHOW PARAMETERS BLOCK
```

You can use the SPOOL command to write the output to a file.

Uses of Parameters

Initialization parameters fall into various functional groups. For example, parameters perform the following functions:

- Set limits for the entire database
- Set user or process limits
- Name files or directories required by a database system
- Set limits on database resources
- Affect performance (these are called **variable parameters**)

The variable parameters are of particular interest to database administrators, because these parameters are used primarily to improve database performance.

Types of Parameters

The Oracle database server has the following types of initialization parameters:

- [Derived Parameters](#)
- [Global Cache Parameters with the Prefix GC](#)
- [Operating System-Dependent Parameters](#)
- [Variable Parameters](#) (these can be dynamic parameters or any of the preceding ones)
- [Heterogeneous Services Parameters](#)

Derived Parameters

Some initialization parameters are **derived**, meaning that their values are calculated from the values of other parameters. Normally, you should not alter values for derived parameters, but if you do, the value you specify will override the calculated value.

For example, the default value of the `SESSIONS` parameter is derived from the value of the `PROCESSES` parameter. If the value of `PROCESSES` changes, the default value of `SESSIONS` changes as well, unless you override it with a specified value.

Global Cache Parameters with the Prefix GC

Initialization parameters with the prefix `GC`, such as `GC_FILES_TO_LOCKS`, apply to systems using Oracle9i Real Application Clusters. The prefix `GC` stands for **global cache**. The settings of these parameters determine how Oracle9i Real Application Clusters coordinates multiple instances. The settings you choose have an effect on the use of specific operating system resources.

See Also:

- *Oracle9i Real Application Clusters Concepts* for more information about Oracle9i Real Application Clusters
- Your system release bulletins or other operating system-specific Oracle documentation for information on Oracle9i Real Application Clusters parameters

Operating System-Dependent Parameters

The valid values or value ranges of some initialization parameters depend upon the host operating system. For example, the parameter `DB_BLOCK_BUFFERS` indicates the number of data buffers in main memory, and its maximum value depends on the operating system. The size of those buffers, set by `DB_BLOCK_SIZE`, has a system-dependent default value.

See Also: The Oracle documentation for your operating system for more information on operating system-dependent Oracle parameters and operating system parameters

Variable Parameters

The **variable** initialization parameters offer the most potential for improving system performance. Some variable parameters set capacity limits but do not affect performance. For example, when the value of `OPEN_CURSORS` is 10, a user process attempting to open its eleventh cursor receives an error. Other variable parameters affect performance but do not impose absolute limits. For example, reducing the value of `DB_BLOCK_BUFFERS` does not prevent work even though it may slow down performance.

Increasing the values of variable parameters may improve your system's performance, but increasing most parameters also increases the system global area (SGA) size. A larger SGA can improve database performance up to a point. In virtual memory operating systems, an SGA that is too large can degrade performance if it is swapped in and out of memory. Operating system parameters that control virtual memory working areas should be set with the SGA size in mind. The operating system configuration can also limit the maximum size of the SGA.

Heterogeneous Services Parameters

A number of parameters are specific to Oracle Heterogeneous Services. These parameters must be set at gateways using the `DBMS_HS` package.

See Also: *Oracle9i Heterogeneous Connectivity Administrator's Guide* for information about specifying Heterogeneous Services parameters

Parameters You Should Not Specify in the Parameter File

You should not specify the following two types of parameters in your parameter files:

- Parameters that you never alter except when instructed to do so by Oracle Corporation to resolve a problem
- Derived parameters, which normally do not need altering because their values are calculated automatically by the Oracle database server

When Parameters Are Set Incorrectly

Some parameters have a minimum setting below which an Oracle instance will not start. For other parameters, setting the value too low or too high may cause Oracle to perform badly, but it will still run. Also, Oracle may convert some values outside the acceptable range to usable levels.

If a parameter value is too low or too high, or you have reached the maximum for some resource, Oracle returns an error. Frequently, you can wait a short while and retry the operation when the system is not as busy. If a message occurs repeatedly, you should shut down the instance, adjust the relevant parameter, and restart the instance.

Reading the Parameter Descriptions

The parameter descriptions in this chapter adhere to the following format.

PARAMETER_NAME

| | |
|---|--|
| Parameter type | Specifies the type of the parameter value: Boolean, string, integer, file, big integer, and so on. |
| Syntax | For string and big integer parameters, specifies the valid syntax for specifying the string or big integer. |
| Default value | Specifies the value this parameter assumes if not explicitly specified. |
| Parameter class | Specifies whether the parameter is dynamic, static, or auto-resource. If dynamic, then it also specifies whether its value can be changed by an <code>ALTER SESSION</code> or <code>ALTER SYSTEM</code> statement. <code>ALTER SESSION</code> overrides the system setting of the parameter for the current session only. You can restore the system setting for that session only by issuing another <code>ALTER SESSION</code> statement. <code>ALTER SYSTEM</code> sets or changes the value of the parameter for all sessions. |
| Range of values | Auto-resource parameters are parameters that have an initial value specified at startup that can change dynamically as needed. Specifies the valid range of values that this parameter can assume, shown as a minimum and maximum value. Not applicable to all parameters. |
| Oracle9i Real Application Clusters | Specifies how the values for this parameter must be specified for multiple instances in an Oracle9i Real Application Clusters. Not applicable to all parameters. |

For each parameter, paragraphs following these details further describe the parameter and the effects of different settings.

Parameter Descriptions

Descriptions of the individual initialization parameters follow in alphabetical order. Initialization parameter values apply to the entire database, not to an individual user, unless otherwise specified.

Note: Parameters that have become obsolete are not documented.

See Also:

- *Oracle9i Database Migration* for information about obsolete parameters
- Your system release bulletins or other operating system-specific Oracle documentation

ACTIVE_INSTANCE_COUNT

| | |
|---|--|
| Parameter type | Integer |
| Default value | There is no default value. |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | 1 or \geq the number of instances in the cluster. (Values other than 1 have no effect on the active or standby status of any instances.) |
| Oracle9i Real Application Clusters | You must set this parameter for every instance, and multiple instances must have the same value. |

Note: This parameter functions only in a cluster with only two instances.

ACTIVE_INSTANCE_COUNT enables you to designate one instance in a two-instance cluster as the primary instance and the other instance as the secondary instance. This parameter has no functionality in a cluster with more than two instances.

When you set this parameter to 1, the first instance you start up becomes the primary instance and accepts client connections. The second instance starts up as a secondary instance and can accept client connections only if the first instance fails. In such an event, the secondary instance becomes the primary instance.

When the failed instance can once again be started up, it starts up as the secondary instance, and will not accept client connections unless the current primary instance fails.

See Also: *Oracle9i Real Application Clusters Installation and Configuration* for more information on setting this parameter

AQ_TM_PROCESSES

| | |
|------------------------|-----------------------|
| Parameter type | Integer |
| Default value | 0 |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SYSTEM |

| | |
|-----------------|---------|
| Range of values | 0 to 10 |
|-----------------|---------|

AQ_TM_PROCESSES enables time monitoring of queue messages. The times can be used in messages that specify delay and expiration properties. Values from 1 to 10 specify the number of queue monitor processes created to monitor the messages. If AQ_TM_PROCESSES is not specified or is set to 0, then the queue monitor is not created.

See Also: *Oracle9i Application Developer's Guide - Advanced Queuing* for more information about this parameter and Advanced Queuing

ARCHIVE_LAG_TARGET

| | |
|------------------------------------|---|
| Parameter type | Integer |
| Default value | 0 (disabled) |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SYSTEM |
| Range of values | 0 or any integer in [60, 7200] |
| Oracle9i Real Application Clusters | Multiple instances should use the same value. |

ARCHIVE_LAG_TARGET limits the amount of data that can be lost and effectively increases the availability of the standby database by forcing a log switch after a user-specified time period elapses.

A 0 value disables the time-based thread advance feature; otherwise, the value represents the number of seconds. Values larger than 7200 seconds are not of much use in maintaining a reasonable lag in the standby database. The typical, or recommended value is 1800 (30 minutes). Extremely low values can result in frequent log switches, which could degrade performance; such values can also make the archiver process too busy to archive the continuously generated logs.

See Also: For more information about criteria for setting this parameter, see *Oracle9i Data Guard Concepts and Administration*

AUDIT_FILE_DEST

| | |
|------------------------|--|
| Parameter type | String |
| Syntax | <code>AUDIT_FILE_DEST = 'directory'</code> |
| Default value | <code>ORACLE_HOME/rdbms/audit</code> |
| Parameter class | Static |

`AUDIT_FILE_DEST` specifies the directory where Oracle stores auditing files.

AUDIT_TRAIL

| | |
|------------------------|--|
| Parameter type | String |
| Syntax | <code>AUDIT_TRAIL = {NONE FALSE DB TRUE OS}</code> |
| Default value | There is no default value. |
| Parameter class | Static |

`AUDIT_TRAIL` enables or disables the automatic writing of rows to the audit trail.

Values:

- `NONE` or `FALSE`
Audit records are not written.
- `OS`
Enables system-wide auditing and causes audited records to be written to the operating system's audit trail.
- `DB` or `TRUE`
Enables system-wide auditing and causes audited records to be written to the database audit trail (the `SYS.AUD$` table).

You can use the SQL statement `AUDIT` to set auditing options regardless of the setting of this parameter.

BACKGROUND_CORE_DUMP

| | |
|------------------------|---|
| Parameter type | String |
| Syntax | BACKGROUND_CORE_DUMP = {FULL PARTIAL} |
| Default value | PARTIAL |
| Parameter class | Static |

BACKGROUND_CORE_DUMP is primarily a UNIX parameter. It specifies whether Oracle includes the SGA in the core file for Oracle background processes.

Values:

- FULL
Oracle dumps the SGA as part of the generated core file.
- PARTIAL
Oracle does not dump the SGA as part of the generated core file.

See Also: ["SHADOW_CORE_DUMP"](#) on page 1-154

BACKGROUND_DUMP_DEST

| | |
|------------------------|---|
| Parameter type | String |
| Syntax | BACKGROUND_DUMP_DEST = { <i>pathname</i> <i>directory</i> } |
| Default value | Operating system-dependent |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SYSTEM |
| Range of values | Any valid local path, directory, or disk |

BACKGROUND_DUMP_DEST specifies the pathname (directory or disc) where debugging trace files for the background processes (LGWR, DBW*n*, and so on) are written during Oracle operations.

An **alert file** in the directory specified by BACKGROUND_DUMP_DEST logs significant database events and messages. Anything that affects the database instance or global database is recorded here. The alert file is a normal text file. Its filename is operating

system-dependent. For platforms that support multiple instances, it takes the form `alert_`*sid*`.log`, where *sid* is the system identifier. This file grows slowly, but without limit, so you might want to delete it periodically. You can delete the file even when the database is running.

See Also:

- *Oracle9i Database Administrator's Guide* for more information on setting this parameter and on alert files
- Your operating system-specific Oracle documentation for the default value of this parameter
- ["USER_DUMP_DEST"](#) on page 1-174 for information on setting a destination for server process trace files

BACKUP_TAPE_IO_SLAVES

| | |
|-----------------|------------------------------------|
| Parameter type | Boolean |
| Default value | false |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SYSTEM ... DEFERRED |
| Range of values | true false |

`BACKUP_TAPE_IO_SLAVES` specifies whether I/O server processes (also called **slaves**) are used by the Recovery Manager to back up, copy, or restore data to tape. When the value is set to `true`, Oracle uses an I/O server process to write to or read from a tape device. When the value is set to `false` (the default), Oracle does not use I/O server process for backups. Instead, the shadow process engaged in the backup accesses the tape device.

Note: You cannot perform duplexed backups unless you enable this parameter. Otherwise, Oracle returns an error. When this parameter is enabled, Recovery Manager will configure as many server processes as needed for the number of backup copies requested.

See Also:

- *Oracle9i Recovery Manager User's Guide* for more information on duplexed backups
- ["DBWR_IO_SLAVES"](#) on page 1-47

BITMAP_MERGE_AREA_SIZE

| | |
|-----------------|----------------------------|
| Parameter type | Integer |
| Default value | 1048576 (1 MB) |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | Operating system-dependent |

Note: Oracle does not recommend using the `BITMAP_MERGE_AREA_SIZE` parameter unless the instance is configured with the shared server option. Oracle recommends that you enable automatic sizing of SQL working areas by setting `PGA_AGGREGATE_TARGET` instead. `BITMAP_MERGE_AREA_SIZE` is retained for backward compatibility.

`BITMAP_MERGE_AREA_SIZE` is relevant only for systems containing bitmap indexes. It specifies the amount of memory Oracle uses to merge bitmaps retrieved from a range scan of the index. The default value is 1 MB. A larger value usually improves performance, because the bitmap segments must be sorted before being merged into a single bitmap.

See Also: *Oracle9i Database Performance Guide and Reference* for more information on setting this parameter

BLANK_TRIMMING

| | |
|-----------------|---------|
| Parameter type | Boolean |
| Default value | false |
| Parameter class | Static |

| | |
|-----------------|--------------|
| Range of values | true false |
|-----------------|--------------|

BLANK_TRIMMING specifies the data assignment semantics of character datatypes.

Values:

- TRUE
Allows the data assignment of a source character string or variable to a destination character column or variable even though the source length is longer than the destination length. In this case, however, the additional length over the destination length is all blanks. This value complies with the semantics of SQL92 Transitional Level and above.
- FALSE
Disallows the data assignment if the source length is longer than the destination length and reverts to SQL92 Entry Level semantics.

BUFFER_POOL_KEEP

| | |
|-----------------|---|
| Parameter type | String |
| Syntax | <pre>BUFFER_POOL_KEEP = {integer (BUFFERS:integer, LRU_LATCHES:integer)}</pre> <p>where <i>integer</i> is the number of buffers and, optionally, the number of LRU latches.</p> |
| Default value | There is no default value. |
| Parameter class | Static |

Note: This parameter is deprecated in favor of the DB_KEEP_CACHE_SIZE parameter. Oracle recommends that you use DB_KEEP_CACHE_SIZE instead. Also, BUFFER_POOL_KEEP cannot be combined with the new dynamic DB_KEEP_CACHE_SIZE parameter; combining these parameters in the same parameter file will produce an error. BUFFER_POOL_KEEP is retained for backward compatibility only.

`BUFFER_POOL_KEEP` lets you save objects in the buffer cache by setting aside a portion of the total number of buffers (the value of the `DB_BLOCK_BUFFERS` parameter) as a `KEEP` buffer pool. You can also allocate to the `KEEP` buffer pool a specified portion of the total number of LRU latches.

The string value can take one of two forms. You can simply specify a buffer count:

```
BUFFER_POOL_KEEP = 5
```

Or, you can specify a combination of buffers and LRU latches. Specifying LRU latches is optional:

```
BUFFER_POOL_KEEP = (BUFFERS:400, LRU_LATCHES:3)
```

This parameter is most useful in combination with the `BUFFER_POOL_RECYCLE` parameter.

See Also:

- ["BUFFER_POOL_RECYCLE"](#) on page 1-22
- *Oracle9i Database Performance Guide and Reference* for information on setting these parameters and on using multiple buffer pools

BUFFER_POOL_RECYCLE

| | |
|-----------------|--|
| Parameter type | String |
| Syntax | <pre>BUFFER_POOL_RECYCLE = {integer (BUFFERS:integer, LRU_LATCHES:integer)}</pre> <p>where <i>integer</i> is the number of buffers and, optionally, the number of LRU latches.</p> |
| Default value | There is no default value. |
| Parameter class | Static |

Note: This parameter is deprecated in favor of the `DB_RECYCLE_CACHE_SIZE` parameter. Oracle recommends that you use `DB_RECYCLE_CACHE_SIZE` instead. Also, `BUFFER_POOL_RECYCLE` cannot be combined with the new dynamic `DB_RECYCLE_CACHE_SIZE` parameter; combining these parameters in the same parameter file will produce an error. `BUFFER_POOL_RECYCLE` is retained for backward compatibility only.

`BUFFER_POOL_RECYCLE` lets you limit the size of objects in the buffer cache by setting aside a portion of the total number of buffers (the value of the `DB_BLOCK_BUFFERS` parameter) as a `RECYCLE` buffer pool. You can also allocate to the `RECYCLE` buffer pool a specified portion of the total number of LRU latches.

The string value can take one of two forms. You can simply specify a buffer count:

```
BUFFER_POOL_RECYCLE = 5
```

Or, you can specify a combination of buffers and LRU latches. Specifying LRU latches is optional:

```
BUFFER_POOL_RECYCLE = (BUFFERS:50, LRU_LATCHES:1)
```

This parameter is most useful in combination with the `BUFFER_POOL_KEEP` parameter.

See Also:

- ["BUFFER_POOL_KEEP"](#) on page 1-21
- *Oracle9i Database Performance Guide and Reference* for information on setting these parameters and on using multiple buffer pools

CIRCUITS

| | |
|----------------|---------|
| Parameter type | Integer |
|----------------|---------|

| | |
|-----------------|--|
| Default value | Derived: <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ If you are using shared server architecture, then the value of <code>SESSIONS</code>▪ If you are not using the shared server architecture, then the value is 0 |
| Parameter class | Static |

`CIRCUITS` specifies the total number of virtual circuits that are available for inbound and outbound network sessions. It is one of several parameters that contribute to the total SGA requirements of an instance.

See Also:

- *Oracle9i Database Concepts* for more information on memory structures and processes
- ["DB_BLOCK_BUFFERS"](#) on page 1-33 and ["TRANSACTIONS"](#) on page 1-170, which also contribute to SGA requirements

CLUSTER_DATABASE

| | |
|------------------------------------|--|
| Parameter type | Boolean |
| Default value | false |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | true false |
| Oracle9i Real Application Clusters | Multiple instances must have the same value. |

`CLUSTER_DATABASE` is an Oracle9i Real Application Clusters parameter that specifies whether or not Oracle9i Real Application Clusters is enabled.

See Also: *Oracle9i Real Application Clusters Administration*

CLUSTER_DATABASE_INSTANCES

| | |
|----------------|---------|
| Parameter type | Integer |
|----------------|---------|

| | |
|------------------------|-------------------|
| Default value | 1 |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | Any nonzero value |

`CLUSTER_DATABASE_INSTANCES` is an Oracle9i Real Application Clusters parameter that specifies the number of instances that are configured as part of your cluster database. You must set this parameter for every instance. Normally you should set this parameter to the number of instances in your Oracle9i Real Application Clusters environment. A proper setting for this parameter can improve memory use.

Oracle uses the value of this parameter to compute the default value of the `LARGE_POOL_SIZE` parameter when the `PARALLEL_AUTOMATIC_TUNING` parameter is set to `true`.

See Also:

- *Oracle9i Database Performance Guide and Reference* for more information on tuning parallel execution
- *Oracle9i Real Application Clusters Administration* for information on Oracle9i Real Application Clusters

CLUSTER_INTERCONNECTS

| | |
|------------------------|---|
| Parameter type | String |
| Syntax | <code>CLUSTER_INTERCONNECTS = ifn [: ifn ...]</code> |
| Default value | There is no default value. |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | One or more IP addresses, separated by colons |

`CLUSTER_INTERCONNECTS` provides Oracle with information about additional cluster interconnects available for use in Oracle9i Real Application Clusters environments.

Oracle uses information from this parameter to distribute traffic among the various interfaces. You should set a value for `CLUSTER_INTERCONNECTS` when a single

interconnect is insufficient to meet the bandwidth requirements of large cluster databases.

CLUSTER_INTERCONNECTS is an optional parameter. If you do not set it, Oracle preserves the current semantics that determine the appropriate interconnect for Oracle9i Real Application Clusters inter-node communication.

Note: When you set CLUSTER_INTERCONNECTS in Solaris configurations, the interconnect High Availability features are not available. In other words, an interconnect failure that is normally unnoticeable would instead cause an Oracle cluster failure.

See Also: *Oracle9i Real Application Clusters Administration*

COMMIT_POINT_STRENGTH

| | |
|-----------------|----------|
| Parameter type | Integer |
| Default value | 1 |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | 0 to 255 |

COMMIT_POINT_STRENGTH is relevant only in distributed database systems. It specifies a value that determines the **commit point site** in a distributed transaction. The node in the transaction with the highest value for COMMIT_POINT_STRENGTH will be the commit point site.

The commit point site of a database should reflect the amount of critical shared data in the database. For example, a database on a mainframe computer typically shares more data among users than one on a personal computer. Therefore, COMMIT_POINT_STRENGTH should be set to a higher value for the mainframe computer.

The commit point site stores information about the status of transactions. Other computers in a distributed transaction require this information during Oracle's two-phase commit, so it is desirable to have machines that are always available as commit point sites. Therefore, set COMMIT_POINT_STRENGTH to a higher value on your more available machines.

See Also:

- *Oracle9i Database Concepts* and *Oracle9i Database Administrator's Guide* for information on two-phase commit
- Your operating system-specific Oracle documentation for the default value of this parameter

COMPATIBLE

| | |
|---|--|
| Parameter type | String |
| Syntax | <code>COMPATIBLE = release_number</code> |
| Default value | 8.1.0 |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | Default release to current release |
| Oracle9i Real Application Clusters | Multiple instances must have the same value. |

`COMPATIBLE` allows you to use a new release, while at the same time guaranteeing backward compatibility with an earlier release. This is helpful if it becomes necessary to revert to the earlier release.

This parameter specifies the release with which the Oracle server must maintain compatibility. It allows you to take advantage of the maintenance improvements of a new release immediately in your production systems without testing the new functionality in your environment. Some features of the current release may be restricted.

When using the standby database feature, this parameter must have the same value on the primary and standby databases, and the value must be 7.3.0.0.0 or higher. The default value is the earliest release with which compatibility can be guaranteed.

The value of `COMPATIBLE` must be set to 8.1.0 or higher in order to use stored columns of `UROWID` type. You can use `ROWID` pseudo columns for index-organized tables regardless of the parameter setting.

See Also: *Oracle9i Database Migration* for more information on setting this parameter

CONTROL_FILE_RECORD_KEEP_TIME

| | |
|-----------------|-----------------------|
| Parameter type | Integer |
| Default value | 7 (days) |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SYSTEM |
| Range of values | 0 to 365 (days) |

CONTROL_FILE_RECORD_KEEP_TIME specifies the minimum number of days before a reusable record in the control file can be reused. In the event a new record needs to be added to a reusable section and the oldest record has not aged enough, the record section expands. If this parameter is set to 0, then reusable sections never expand, and records are reused as needed.

Note: This parameter applies only to records in the control file that are circularly reusable (such as archive log records and various backup records). It does not apply to records such as datafile, tablespace, and redo thread records, which are never reused unless the corresponding object is dropped from the tablespace.

See Also:

- ["CONTROL_FILES" on page 1-28](#)
- *Oracle9i Database Concepts*
- *Oracle9i User-Managed Backup and Recovery Guide*

CONTROL_FILES

| | |
|-----------------|---|
| Parameter type | String |
| Syntax | <code>CONTROL_FILES = filename [, filename [...]]</code> Note: The control file name can be an OMF (Oracle Managed Files) name. This occurs when the control file is re-created using the <code>CREATE CONTROLFILE REUSE</code> statement. |
| Default value | Operating system-dependent |
| Parameter class | Static |

| | |
|--|--|
| Range of values | 1 to 8 filenames |
| Oracle9i/ Real Application Clusters | Multiple instances must have the same value. |

Every database has a **control file**, which contains entries that describe the structure of the database (such as its name, the timestamp of its creation, and the names and locations of its datafiles and redo files). `CONTROL_FILES` specifies one or more names of control files, separated by commas.

Oracle Corporation recommends that you multiplex multiple control files on different devices or mirror the file at the operating system level.

See Also:

- *Oracle9i Database Performance Guide and Reference*
- *Oracle9i Database Administrator's Guide*

CORE_DUMP_DEST

| | |
|------------------------|---|
| Parameter type | String |
| Syntax | <code>CORE_DUMP_DEST = directory</code> |
| Default value | <code>ORACLE_HOME/DBS</code> |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SYSTEM |

`CORE_DUMP_DEST` is primarily a UNIX parameter and may not be supported on your platform. It specifies the directory where Oracle dumps core files.

CPU_COUNT

| | |
|------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Parameter type | Integer |
| Default value | Set automatically by Oracle |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | 0 to unlimited |

Caution: On most platforms, Oracle automatically sets the value of CPU_COUNT to the number of CPUs available to your Oracle instance. Do not change the value of CPU_COUNT.

CPU_COUNT specifies the number of CPUs available to Oracle. On single-CPU computers, the value of CPU_COUNT is 1.

See Also: Your operating system-specific Oracle documentation for more information about this parameter

CREATE_BITMAP_AREA_SIZE

| | |
|-----------------|----------------------------|
| Parameter type | Integer |
| Default value | 8388608 (8 MB) |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | Operating system-dependent |

Note: Oracle does not recommend using the CREATE_BITMAP_AREA_SIZE parameter unless the instance is configured with the shared server option. Oracle recommends that you enable automatic sizing of SQL working areas by setting PGA_AGGREGATE_TARGET instead. CREATE_BITMAP_AREA_SIZE is retained for backward compatibility.

CREATE_BITMAP_AREA_SIZE is relevant only for systems containing bitmap indexes. It specifies the amount of memory (in bytes) allocated for bitmap creation. The default value is 8 MB. A larger value may speed up index creation.

Cardinality is the number of unique values in a column in relation to the number of rows in the table. If cardinality is very small, you can set a small value for this parameter. For example, if cardinality is only 2, then the value can be on the order of kilobytes rather than megabytes. As a general rule, the higher the cardinality, the more memory is needed for optimal performance.

See Also: *Oracle9i Database Performance Guide and Reference* for more information on using bitmap indexes

CURSOR_SHARING

| | |
|------------------------|---|
| Parameter type | String |
| Syntax | <code>CURSOR_SHARING = {SIMILAR EXACT FORCE}</code> |
| Default value | EXACT |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SESSION, ALTER SYSTEM |

`CURSOR_SHARING` determines what kind of SQL statements can share the same cursors.

Values:

- **FORCE**
Forces statements that may differ in some literals, but are otherwise identical, to share a cursor, unless the literals affect the meaning of the statement.
- **SIMILAR**
Causes statements that may differ in some literals, but are otherwise identical, to share a cursor, unless the literals affect either the meaning of the statement or the degree to which the plan is optimized.
- **EXACT**
Only allows statements with identical text to share the same cursor.

Note: Forcing cursor sharing among similar (but not identical) statements can have unexpected results in some DSS applications, or applications that use stored outlines.

See Also: *Oracle9i Database Performance Guide and Reference* for information on setting this parameter in these and other environments

CURSOR_SPACE_FOR_TIME

| | |
|-----------------|--------------|
| Parameter type | Boolean |
| Default value | false |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | true false |

CURSOR_SPACE_FOR_TIME lets you use more space for cursors in order to save time. It affects both the shared SQL area and the client's private SQL area.

Values:

- TRUE
Shared SQL areas are kept pinned in the shared pool. As a result, shared SQL areas are not aged out of the pool as long as an open cursor references them. Because each active cursor's SQL area is present in memory, execution is faster. However, the shared SQL areas never leave memory while they are in use. Therefore, you should set this parameter to TRUE only when the shared pool is large enough to hold all open cursors simultaneously.

In addition, a setting of TRUE retains the private SQL area allocated for each cursor between executions instead of discarding it after cursor execution, saving cursor allocation and initialization time
- FALSE
Shared SQL areas can be deallocated from the library cache to make room for new SQL statements.

Note: If this parameter is set to TRUE, the SERIAL_REUSE parameter is disabled.

See Also:

- *Oracle9i Database Concepts and Oracle9i Database Performance Guide and Reference*
- ["SERIAL_REUSE"](#) on page 1-150

DB_nK_CACHE_SIZE

| | |
|-----------------|---|
| Parameter type | Big integer |
| Syntax | DB_nK_CACHE_SIZE = <i>integer</i> [K M G] |
| Default value | 0M (additional block size caches are not configured by default) |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SYSTEM |
| Range of values | <i>n</i> = 2, 4, 8, 16, 32 |

DB_nK_CACHE_SIZE specifies the size of the cache for the *n*K buffers. You can set this parameter only when DB_BLOCK_SIZE has a value other than *n*K. For example, if DB_BLOCK_SIZE=4096, it is illegal to specify the parameter DB_4K_CACHE_SIZE (because the size for the 4 KB block cache is already specified by DB_CACHE_SIZE).

Do not set this parameter to zero if there are any online tablespaces with an *n*K block size.

Platform-specific block size restrictions apply. For example, you cannot set DB_32K_CACHE_SIZE if the maximum block size on the platform is less than 32 KB. Also, you cannot set DB_2K_CACHE_SIZE if the minimum block size is greater than 2 KB.

See Also: For more information on block size restrictions, see your platform specific documentation

DB_BLOCK_BUFFERS

| | |
|-------------------------------------|--|
| Parameter type | Integer |
| Default value | Derived: 48 MB / DB_BLOCK_SIZE |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | 50 to an operating system-specific maximum |
| Oracle9i/ Real Application Clusters | Multiple instances can have different values, and you can change the values as needed. |

Note: This parameter is deprecated in favor of the DB_CACHE_SIZE parameter. Oracle recommends that you use DB_CACHE_SIZE instead. Also, DB_BLOCK_BUFFERS cannot be combined with the new dynamic DB_CACHE_SIZE parameter; combining these parameters in the same parameter file will produce an error. DB_BLOCK_BUFFERS is retained for backward compatibility.

DB_BLOCK_BUFFERS specifies the number of database buffers in the buffer cache. It is one of several parameters that contribute to the total memory requirements of the SGA of an instance.

This parameter, together with DB_BLOCK_SIZE, determines the total size of the buffer cache. Effective use of the buffer cache can greatly reduce the I/O load on the database. DB_BLOCK_SIZE can be specified only when the database is first created, so you use DB_BLOCK_BUFFERS to control the size of the buffer cache.

The buffers for the "keep" buffer pool and the "recycle" buffer pool come out of the buffer cache. In addition, each LRU list in the buffer cache must have at least 50 buffers. Therefore, if you specify BUFFER_POOL_KEEP and BUFFER_POOL_RECYCLE, be sure the value of DB_BLOCK_BUFFERS conforms to the following formula:

```
DB_BLOCK_BUFFERS > #_buffers_in_"keep"_buffer_pool
                   + #_BUFFERS_IN_"recycle"_buffer_pool
                   + 50*(DB_BLOCK_LRU_LATCHES
                       - #_lru_latches_in_"keep"_buffer_pool
                       - #_lru_latches_in_"recycle"_buffer_pool)
```

If you did not specify any LRU latches in BUFFER_POOL_KEEP and BUFFER_POOL_RECYCLE, then the values default to 1.

This parameter affects the probability of data block ping-pong when Oracle9i Real Application Clusters are enabled: the more buffers, the greater the chance of ping-pong.

Note: The checkpoint process is enabled automatically if the system configuration is such that moving checkpoint processing from the logwriter to a separate process improves performance. Currently, the criteria are DB_FILES >= 50 or DB_BLOCK_BUFFERS >= 10000.

See Also:

- *Oracle9i Database Performance Guide and Reference*, "[BUFFER_POOL_KEEP](#)" on page 1-21, and "[BUFFER_POOL_RECYCLE](#)" on page 1-22 for more information on setting this parameter
- *Oracle9i Real Application Clusters Concepts* for more information on data block ping
- Your operating system-specific Oracle documentation

DB_BLOCK_CHECKING

| | |
|------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Parameter type | Boolean |
| Default value | false |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SESSION, ALTER SYSTEM |
| Range of values | true false |

`DB_BLOCK_CHECKING` controls whether Oracle performs block checking for data blocks. When this parameter is set to `true`, Oracle performs block checking for all data blocks. When it is set to `false`, Oracle does not perform block checking for blocks in the user tablespaces. However, block checking for the `SYSTEM` tablespace is always turned on.

Oracle checks a block by going through the data on the block, making sure it is self-consistent. Block checking can often prevent memory and data corruption. Block checking typically causes 1% to 10% overhead, depending on workload. The more updates or inserts in a workload, the more expensive it is to turn on block checking. You should set `DB_BLOCK_CHECKING` to `true` if the performance overhead is acceptable.

DB_BLOCK_CHECKSUM

| | |
|------------------------|-----------------------|
| Parameter type | Boolean |
| Default value | true |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SYSTEM |

| | |
|-----------------|--------------|
| Range of values | true false |
|-----------------|--------------|

DB_BLOCK_CHECKSUM determines whether DBWn and the direct loader will calculate a **checksum** (a number calculated from all the bytes stored in the block) and store it in the cache header of every data block when writing it to disk. Checksums are verified when a block is read-only if this parameter is `true` and the last write of the block stored a checksum. In addition, Oracle gives every log block a checksum before writing it to the current log.

If this parameter is set to `false`, DBWn calculates checksums only for the SYSTEM tablespace, but not for user tablespaces.

Checksums allow Oracle to detect corruption caused by underlying disks, storage systems, or I/O systems. Turning on this feature typically causes only an additional 1% to 2% overhead. Therefore, Oracle Corporation recommends that you set DB_BLOCK_CHECKSUM to `true`.

DB_BLOCK_SIZE

| | |
|-------------------------------------|--|
| Parameter type | Integer |
| Default value | 2048 |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | 2048 to 32768, but your operating system may have a narrower range |
| Oracle9i/ Real Application Clusters | You must set this parameter for every instance, and multiple instances must have the same value. |

Caution: Set this parameter at the time of database creation. Do not alter it afterward.

DB_BLOCK_SIZE specifies the size (in bytes) of Oracle database blocks. Typical values are 2048 and 4096. The value for DB_BLOCK_SIZE in effect at the time you create the database determines the size of the blocks. The value must remain set to its initial value.

If you are using Oracle9i Real Application Clusters, this parameter affects the maximum value of the `FREELISTS` storage parameter for tables and indexes. Oracle uses one database block for each freelist group. Decision support system (DSS) and data warehouse database environments tend to benefit from larger block size values.

See Also:

- *Oracle9i Database Performance Guide and Reference* and *Oracle9i Database Administrator's Guide* for information on setting this parameter
- *Oracle9i SQL Reference* for information on freelist groups
- *Oracle9i Database Performance Guide and Reference* for more information on the DSS and data warehouse environments
- *Oracle9i Database Concepts* for general information on block sizes

DB_CACHE_ADVICE

| | |
|------------------------|---|
| Parameter type | String |
| Syntax | <code>DB_CACHE_ADVICE = {ON READY OFF}</code> |
| Default value | OFF |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SYSTEM |

`DB_CACHE_ADVICE` enables and disables statistics gathering used for predicting behavior with different cache sizes through the `V$DB_CACHE_ADVICE` performance view.

Values:

- OFF
Advisory is turned off and the memory for the advisory is not allocated.
- READY
Advisory is turned off but the memory for the advisory remains allocated. Allocating the memory before the advisory is actually turned on avoids the risk of an error when you switch the parameter to ON.

If the parameter is switched to this state from ON, the contents of the view are preserved and the memory for the advisory is retained.

If the parameter is switched to this state from OFF, you may get an error.

- ON
Advisory is turned on. CPU and memory overheads are incurred. Attempting to set the parameter to this state when it is already in the OFF state may result in an error. Otherwise, the view (V\$DB_CACHE_ADVICE) is reset and statistics are gathered to the newly refreshed view.

If the parameter is in the READY state, you can set it to ON without any errors because the memory is already allocated. The view is reset and statistics are displayed in the newly refreshed view.

DB_CACHE_SIZE

| | |
|-----------------|--|
| Parameter type | Big integer |
| Syntax | DB_CACHE_SIZE = <i>integer</i> [K M G] |
| Default value | 48M |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SYSTEM |

DB_CACHE_SIZE specifies the size of the DEFAULT buffer pool for buffers with the primary block size (the block size defined by the DB_BLOCK_SIZE parameter).

The value must be at least the size of one granule (smaller values are automatically rounded up to the granule size). A value of zero is illegal because zero is the size of the DEFAULT pool for the standard block size, which is the block size for the SYSTEM tablespace.

DB_CREATE_FILE_DEST

| | |
|----------------|--|
| Parameter type | String |
| Syntax | DB_CREATE_FILE_DEST = <i>directory</i> |
| Default value | There is no default value. |

| | |
|------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SESSION, ALTER SYSTEM |
|------------------------|--------------------------------------|

`DB_CREATE_FILE_DEST` sets the default location for datafile, control file, and online log creation.

You can specify a file system directory as the default location for the creation of datafiles, control files, and online logs. However, the directory must already exist; Oracle does not create it. The directory must have appropriate permissions that allow Oracle to create files in it.

DB_CREATE_ONLINE_LOG_DEST_ *n*

| | |
|------------------------|---|
| Parameter type | String |
| Syntax | <code>DB_CREATE_ONLINE_LOG_DEST_ <i>n</i> = directory</code> (<i>n</i> ≥ 1, <i>n</i> ≤ 5) |
| Default value | There is no default value. |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SESSION, ALTER SYSTEM |

`DB_CREATE_ONLINE_LOG_DEST_ n` sets the default locations for online log and control file creation.

You should specify at least two parameters: `DB_CREATE_ONLINE_LOG_DEST_1` and `DB_CREATE_ONLINE_LOG_DEST_2`. This provides greater fault tolerance for the logs if one of the destinations should fail.

If more than one directory is specified, the control file or online log is multiplexed across the directories. One member of each online log is created on each directory. One control file is also created in each directory.

The directory must already exist; Oracle does not create it. The directory must have appropriate permissions that allow Oracle to create files in it. Oracle generates unique names for the files.

DB_DOMAIN

| | |
|-----------------------|--------|
| Parameter type | String |
|-----------------------|--------|

| | |
|---|---|
| Syntax | <code>DB_DOMAIN = domain_name</code> |
| Default value | There is no default value. |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | Any legal string of name components, separated by periods and up to 128 characters long (including the periods). This value cannot be NULL. |
| Oracle9i Real Application Clusters | You must set this parameter for every instance, and multiple instances must have the same value. |

In a distributed database system, `DB_DOMAIN` specifies the logical location of the database within the network structure. You should set this parameter if this database is or ever will be part of a distributed system. The value consists of the extension components of a global database name, consisting of valid identifiers, separated by periods. Oracle Corporation recommends that you specify `DB_DOMAIN` as a unique string for all databases in a domain.

This parameter allows one department to create a database without worrying that it might have the same name as a database created by another department. If one sales department's `DB_DOMAIN` is `JAPAN.ACME.COM`, then their `SALES` database (`SALES.JAPAN.ACME.COM`) is uniquely distinguished from another database with `DB_NAME = SALES` but with `DB_DOMAIN = US.ACME.COM`.

If you omit the domains from the name of a database link, Oracle expands the name by qualifying the database with the domain of your local database as it currently exists in the data dictionary, and then stores the link name in the data dictionary. The characters valid in a database domain name are: alphanumeric characters, underscore (`_`), and number sign (`#`).

See Also:

- *Oracle9i Database Performance Guide and Reference* for more information on setting this parameter
- The data dictionary view "[GLOBAL_NAME](#)" on page 2-172

DB_FILE_MULTIBLOCK_READ_COUNT

| | |
|-----------------------|---------|
| Parameter type | Integer |
| Default value | 8 |

| | |
|------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SESSION, ALTER SYSTEM |
| Range of values | Operating system-dependent |

DB_FILE_MULTIBLOCK_READ_COUNT is one of the parameters you can use to minimize I/O during table scans. It specifies the maximum number of blocks read in one I/O operation during a sequential scan. The total number of I/Os needed to perform a full table scan depends on such factors as the size of the table, the multiblock read count, and whether parallel execution is being utilized for the operation.

Online transaction processing (OLTP) and batch environments typically have values in the range of 4 to 16 for this parameter. DSS and data warehouse environments tend to benefit most from maximizing the value of this parameter. The optimizer is more likely to choose a full table scan over an index if the value of this parameter is high.

The maximum value is always less than the operating system's maximum I/O size expressed as Oracle blocks ((max I/O size)/DB_BLOCK_SIZE). If you set this parameter to a value greater than the maximum, Oracle uses the maximum.

See Also:

- *Oracle9i Database Performance Guide and Reference* for more information on setting this parameter
- Your operating system-specific Oracle documentation for the default value of this parameter

DB_FILE_NAME_CONVERT

| | |
|-----------------------|--------|
| Parameter type | String |
|-----------------------|--------|

Syntax

```
DB_FILE_NAME_CONVERT=(('string1','string2','string3',  
'string4',...])
```

where:

string1 is the pattern of the primary database filename

string2 is the pattern of the standby database filename

string3 is the pattern of the primary database filename

string4 is the pattern of the standby database filename

You can use as many pairs of primary and standby replacement strings as required. You can use single or double quotation marks. The parentheses are optional.

Following are example settings that are acceptable:

```
DB_FILE_NAME_CONVERT=('/dbs/t1/', '/dbs/t1/s_', 'dbs/t2/  
' , 'dbs/t2/s_')
```

| | |
|----------------------|------|
| Default value | None |
|----------------------|------|

| | |
|------------------------|--------|
| Parameter class | Static |
|------------------------|--------|

DB_FILE_NAME_CONVERT is useful for creating a duplicate database for recovery purposes. It converts the filename of a new datafile on the primary database to a filename on the standby database. If you add a datafile to the primary database, you must add a corresponding file to the standby database. When the standby database is updated, this parameter converts the datafile name on the primary database to the datafile name on the standby database. The file on the standby database must exist and be writable, or the recovery process will halt with an error.

If you specify an odd number of strings (the last string has no corresponding replacement string), an error is signalled during startup. If the filename being converted matches more than one pattern in the pattern/replace string list, the first matched pattern takes effect. There is no limit on the number of pairs that you can specify in this parameter (other than the hard limit of the maximum length of multivalue parameters).

Set the value of this parameter to two strings. The first string is the pattern found in the datafile names on the primary database. The second string is the pattern found in the datafile names on the standby database.

You can also use DB_FILE_NAME_CONVERT to rename the datafiles in the clone controlfile when setting up a clone database during tablespace point-in-time recovery.

See Also:

- *Oracle9i User-Managed Backup and Recovery Guide*
- *Oracle9i Data Guard Concepts and Administration*
- *Oracle9i Recovery Manager User's Guide*

DB_FILES

| | |
|---|--|
| Parameter type | Integer |
| Default value | 200 |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | Minimum: the current actual number of datafiles in the database Maximum: the value that was specified in the MAXDATAFILES clause the last time CREATE DATABASE or CREATE CONTROLFILE was executed |
| Oracle9i Real Application Clusters | You must set this parameter for every instance, and multiple instances must have the same value. |

DB_FILES specifies the maximum number of database files that can be opened for this database. The maximum valid value is the maximum number of files, subject to operating system constraint, that will ever be specified for the database, including files to be added by ADD DATAFILE statements.

If you increase the value of DB_FILES, you must shut down and restart all instances accessing the database before the new value can take effect. If you have a primary and standby database, they should have the same value for this parameter.

Note: The checkpoint process is enabled automatically if DB_FILES >= 50 or DB_BLOCK_BUFFERS >= 10000. At these values, switching checkpoint processing from the logwriter to a separate process improves performance.

See Also:

- *Oracle9i Real Application Clusters Administration* for information on setting this parameter in an Oracle9i Real Application Clusters environment
- Your operating system-specific Oracle documentation for the default value of this parameter

DB_KEEP_CACHE_SIZE

| | |
|-----------------|---|
| Parameter type | Big integer |
| Syntax | DB_KEEP_CACHE_SIZE = <i>integer</i> [K M G] |
| Default value | 0M (KEEP cache is not configured by default) |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SYSTEM |

DB_KEEP_CACHE_SIZE specifies the number of buffers in the KEEP buffer pool. The size of the buffers in the KEEP buffer pool is the primary block size (the block size defined by the DB_BLOCK_SIZE parameter).

DB_NAME

| | |
|------------------------------------|--|
| Parameter type | String |
| Syntax | DB_NAME = <i>database_name</i> |
| Default value | There is no default value. |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Oracle9i Real Application Clusters | You must set this parameter for every instance. Multiple instances must have the same value, or the same value must be specified in the STARTUP OPEN SQL*Plus statement or the ALTER DATABASE MOUNT SQL statement. |

DB_NAME specifies a database identifier of up to 8 characters. If specified, it must correspond to the name specified in the CREATE DATABASE statement. Although

the use of `DB_NAME` is optional, you should generally set it before issuing the `CREATE DATABASE` statement, and then reference it in that statement.

If you have multiple databases, the value of this parameter should match the Oracle instance identifier of each one to avoid confusion with other databases running on the system. The value of `DB_NAME` should be the same in both the standby and production initialization parameter files.

If you do not specify this parameter, you must specify a database name in either the `STARTUP` command or the `ALTER DATABASE . . . MOUNT` statement for each instance of the cluster database.

The following characters are valid in a database name: alphanumeric characters, underscore (`_`), number sign (`#`), and dollar sign (`$`). No other characters are valid. Oracle removes double quotation marks before processing the database name. Therefore you cannot use double quotation marks to embed other characters in the name. The database name is case insensitive.

See Also: *Oracle9i Database Administrator's Guide* and *Oracle9i Real Application Clusters Administration* for more information on setting this parameter

DB_RECYCLE_CACHE_SIZE

| | |
|------------------------|--|
| Parameter type | Big integer |
| Syntax | <code>DB_RECYCLE_CACHE_SIZE = integer [K M G]</code> |
| Default value | 0M (RECYCLE cache is not configured by default) |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SYSTEM |

`DB_RECYCLE_CACHE_SIZE` specifies the size of the RECYCLE buffer pool. The size of buffers in the RECYCLE pool is the primary block size defined in `DB_BLOCK_SIZE`).

DB_WRITER_PROCESSES

| | |
|------------------------|---------|
| Parameter type | Integer |
| Default value | 1 |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | 1 to 10 |

DB_WRITER_PROCESSES is useful for systems that modify data heavily. It specifies the initial number of database writer processes for an instance.

See Also:

- *Oracle9i Database Concepts* for more information on the database writer processes
- *Oracle9i Database Performance Guide and Reference* for information on setting the DBW n parameters

DBLINK_ENCRYPT_LOGIN

| | |
|------------------------|--------------|
| Parameter type | Boolean |
| Default value | false |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | true false |

When you attempt to connect to a database using a password, Oracle encrypts the password before sending it to the database. DBLINK_ENCRYPT_LOGIN specifies whether or not attempts to connect to other Oracle servers through database links should use encrypted passwords.

Values:

- TRUE

When a connection fails Oracle does not reattempt the connection.

- FALSE

When a connection fails Oracle reattempts the connection using an unencrypted version of the password.

DBWR_IO_SLAVES

| | |
|------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Parameter type | Integer |
| Default value | 0 |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | 0 to operating system-dependent |

DBWR_IO_SLAVES is relevant only on systems with only one database writer process (DBW0). It specifies the number of I/O server processes used by the DBW0 process. The DBW0 process and its server processes always write to disk. By default, the value is 0 and I/O server processes are not used.

If you set DBWR_IO_SLAVES to a nonzero value, the number of I/O server processes used by the ARCH and LGWR processes is set to 4. However, the number of I/O server processes used by Recovery Manager is set to 4 only if asynchronous I/O is disabled (either your platform does not support asynchronous I/O or disk_async_io is set to false).

Typically, I/O server processes are used to simulate asynchronous I/O on platforms that do not support asynchronous I/O or that implement it inefficiently. However, you can use I/O server processes even when asynchronous I/O is being used. In that case the I/O server processes will use asynchronous I/O.

I/O server processes are also useful in database environments with very large I/O throughput, even if asynchronous I/O is enabled.

See Also: ["BACKUP_TAPE_IO_SLAVES"](#) on page 1-19

DISK_ASYNC_IO

| | |
|-----------------------|---------|
| Parameter type | Boolean |
| Default value | true |

| | |
|-----------------|--------------|
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | true false |

DISK_ASYNC_IO controls whether I/O to datafiles, control files, and logfiles is asynchronous (that is, whether parallel server processes can overlap I/O requests with CPU processing during table scans). If your platform supports asynchronous I/O to disk, Oracle Corporation recommends that you leave this parameter set to its default value. However, if the asynchronous I/O implementation is not stable, you can set this parameter to `false` to disable asynchronous I/O. If your platform does not support asynchronous I/O to disk, this parameter has no effect.

If you set DISK_ASYNC_IO to `false`, then you should also set DBWR_IO_SLAVES to a value other than its default of zero in order to simulate asynchronous I/O.

See Also:

- ["DBWR_IO_SLAVES"](#) on page 1-47
- *Oracle9i Database Performance Guide and Reference* for more information on asynchronous I/O and on setting this parameter

DISPATCHERS

| | |
|----------------|--|
| Parameter type | String |
| Syntax | <pre>DISPATCHERS = 'dispatch_clause' dispatch_clause::= (PROTOCOL = protocol) (ADDRESS = address) (DESCRIPTION = description) [options_clause]</pre> |

options_clause::=

```

(DISPATCHERS = integer |
SESSIONS = integer |
CONNECTIONS = integer |
TICKS = seconds |
POOL = {1 | ON | YES | TRUE | BOTH |
        ({IN | OUT} = ticks) | 0 | OFF | NO | FALSE |
        ticks} |
MULTIPLEX = {1 | ON | YES | TRUE |
             0 | OFF | NO | FALSE | BOTH | IN | OUT} |
LISTENER = tnsname |
SERVICE = service |
INDEX = integer)

```

Default value There is no default value.

Parameter class Dynamic: ALTER SYSTEM

DISPATCHERS configures dispatcher processes in the shared server architecture. The parsing software supports a name-value syntax to enable the specification of attributes in a position-independent case-insensitive manner. For example:

```
DISPATCHERS = "(PROTOCOL=TCP)(DISPATCHERS=3)"
```

Specify only one of the following attributes: PROTOCOL, ADDRESS, or DESCRIPTION. If you specify either ADDRESS or DESCRIPTION, you can specify additional network attributes. Doing so supports multi-homed hosts.

dispatch_clause

- PROTOCOL (PRO or PROT)

The network protocol for which the dispatchers will generate a listening end point.

- ADDRESS (ADD or ADDR)

The network address (in Net8 syntax) of the end point which the dispatchers will listen on. (Includes the protocol.)

- DESCRIPTION (DES or DESC)

The network description (in Net8 syntax, including the protocol) of the end point on which the dispatchers will listen.

options_clause

- DISPATCHERS (DIS or DISP)

An integer specifying the initial number of dispatchers to start. Default is 1.

- SESSIONS (SES or SESS)

Specifies the maximum number of network sessions to allow for each dispatcher. The default is set by Net8 and is platform-specific.

- CONNECTIONS (CON or CONN)

An integer specifying the maximum number of network connections to allow for each dispatcher. The default is set by Net8 and is platform-specific.

- TICKS (TIC or TICK)

Specifies the size of a network tick in seconds. The default is set by Net8 and is platform-specific.

- POOL (POO)

Enables the Net8 Connection Pooling feature.

- An integer indicates that Connection Pooling is enabled for both incoming and outgoing network connections. The number specified is the timeout in ticks for both incoming and outgoing network connections.
- ON, YES, TRUE, and BOTH indicate that Connection Pooling is enabled for both incoming and outgoing network connections. The default timeout (set by Net8) will be used for both incoming and outgoing network connections.
- IN indicates that Connection Pooling is enabled for incoming network connections. The default timeout (set by Net8) will be used for incoming network connections.
- OUT indicates that Connection Pooling is enabled for outgoing network connections. The default timeout (set by Net8) will be used for outgoing network connections.
- NO, OFF, and FALSE indicate that Connection Pooling is disabled for both incoming and outgoing network connections. This is the default.

POOL can also be assigned a name-value string such as: "(IN=10)", "(OUT=20)", or "(IN=10)(OUT=20)". In such cases:

- If an IN numeric value is specified, then Connection Pooling is enabled for incoming connections, and the number specified is the timeout in ticks for incoming network connections.

- If an `OUT` numeric value is specified, then Connection Pooling is enabled for outgoing network connections, and the number specified is the timeout in ticks for outgoing network connections.
- If the numeric value of a specified timeout is 0 or 1, then the default value (set by `Net8`) will be used.

■ `MULTIPLEX (MUL or MULT)`

Enables the Net8 Network Session Multiplex feature.

- The values `1`, `ON`, `YES`, `TRUE`, and `BOTH` indicate that Network Session Multiplex is enabled for both incoming and outgoing network connections.
- The value `IN` indicates that Network Session Multiplex is enabled for incoming network connections.
- The value `OUT` indicates that Network Session Multiplexing is enabled for outgoing network connections.
- The values `0`, `NO`, `OFF`, and `FALSE` indicate that Network Session Multiplexing is disabled for both incoming and outgoing network connections. This is the default.

■ `LISTENER (LIS, LIST)`

Specifies the network name of an address or address list of the Net8 listeners with which the dispatchers will register.

The `LISTENER` attribute facilitates administration of multi-homed hosts. This attribute specifies the appropriate listeners with which the dispatchers will register. The `LISTENER` attribute overrides the `LOCAL_LISTENER` parameter. See "[LOCAL_LISTENER](#)" on page 1-72.

■ `SERVICE (SER, SERV)`

Specifies the service name that the dispatchers register with the Net8 listeners.

■ `INDEX`

Use this parameter in an `ALTER SYSTEM SET DISPATCHERS` statement to indicate which dispatcher you want to modify. (If you specify `INDEX` in the initialization parameter file, Oracle ignores it.) In an `ALTER SYSTEM` statement, `INDEX` specifies the order in which the parameter's values were initialized. The value ranges from 0 (for the first dispatcher process) to one less than the total number of dispatchers you define.

For example, if you specify 3 dispatchers in the initialization parameter file, you would modify the third dispatcher by specifying `INDEX=2` in the `ALTER`

SYSTEM statement. You could also add an additional dispatcher in the ALTER SYSTEM statement by specifying INDEX=3.

See Also: *Oracle Net Services Administrator's Guide* for more information on setting this parameter

DISTRIBUTED_TRANSACTIONS

| | |
|-----------------|--|
| Parameter type | Integer |
| Default value | .25 * TRANSACTIONS |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | 0 to the value of the TRANSACTIONS parameter |

DISTRIBUTED_TRANSACTIONS is relevant only if you are using Oracle's Distributed Systems feature. It specifies the maximum number of distributed transactions in which this database can participate at one time. The value of this parameter cannot exceed the value of the parameter TRANSACTIONS.

If network failures occur at an abnormally high rate, causing many in-doubt transactions, you can decrease this parameter's value temporarily. Doing so limits the number of concurrent distributed transactions, which then reduces the number of in-doubt transactions. The reduction of in-doubt transactions, in turn, reduces the amount of blocked data and possible heuristic decision making.

If you set DISTRIBUTED_TRANSACTIONS to 0:

- No distributed transactions are allowed for the database.
- The recovery (RECO) process, which resolves failures involving distributed transactions, does not start when the instance starts up.

See Also: *Oracle9i Database Administrator's Guide* for more information on setting this parameter

DML_LOCKS

| | |
|----------------|---------------------------|
| Parameter type | Integer |
| Default value | Derived: 4 * TRANSACTIONS |

| | |
|--|---|
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | 20 to unlimited; a setting of 0 disables enqueues |
| Oracle9i/ Real Application Clusters | You must set this parameter for every instance, and all instances must have positive values or all must be 0. |

A **DML lock** is a lock obtained on a table that is undergoing a DML operation (insert, update, delete). `DML_LOCKS` specifies the maximum number of DML locks—one for each table modified in a transaction. The value should equal the grand total of locks on tables currently referenced by all users. For example, if three users are modifying data in one table, then three entries would be required. If three users are modifying data in two tables, then six entries would be required.

The default value assumes an average of four tables referenced for each transaction. For some systems, this value may not be enough.

Enqueues are shared memory structures that serialize access to database resources. If you set the value of `DML_LOCKS` to 0, enqueues are disabled and performance is slightly increased. However, you cannot use `DROP TABLE`, `CREATE INDEX`, or explicit lock statements such as `LOCK TABLE IN EXCLUSIVE MODE`.

Oracle holds more locks during parallel DML than during serial execution. Therefore, if your database supports a lot of parallel DML, you may need to increase the value of this parameter.

See Also:

- *Oracle9i Database Concepts* for a discussion of lock and enqueue resources needed for parallel DML
- *Oracle9i Real Application Clusters Administration*, *Oracle9i Database Concepts*, and *Oracle9i Database Administrator's Guide* for more information on data concurrency

DRS_START

| | |
|------------------------|-----------------------|
| Parameter type | Boolean |
| Default value | false |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SYSTEM |
| Range of values | true false |

DRS_START enables Oracle to determine whether or not the DRMON (Disaster Recovery Monitor) process should be started. DRMON is a non-fatal Oracle background process and exists as long as the instance exists.

If the site is never going to be configured in a disaster recovery configuration, you can leave the parameter unspecified and accept the default value of `false`. If the site is part of a disaster recovery configuration, automatic startup of the DRMON process is simplified by specifying `DRS_START = true` in the initialization parameter file.

ENQUEUE_RESOURCES

| | |
|-----------------|---------------------------------|
| Parameter type | Integer |
| Default value | Derived from SESSIONS parameter |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | 10 to unlimited |

ENQUEUE_RESOURCES sets the number of resources that can be concurrently locked by the lock manager. An **enqueue** is a sophisticated locking mechanism that permits several concurrent processes to share known resources to varying degrees. Any object that can be used concurrently can be protected with enqueues. For example, Oracle allows varying levels of sharing on tables: two processes can lock a table in share mode or in share update mode.

One difference between enqueues and latches is that latches do not entail an ordered queue of waiting processes as do enqueues. Processes waiting for latches can either use timers to wake up and retry or (in multiprocessors) spin.

At database startup time, Oracle allocates the number of enqueues specified by the ENQUEUE_RESOURCES parameter. The default value of ENQUEUE_RESOURCES is derived from the SESSIONS parameter and is usually adequate, as long as its value is greater than DML_LOCKS + 20. For three or fewer sessions, the default value is the number of database files + 20. For 4 to 10 sessions, the default value is the number of database files + ((SESSIONS - 3) * 5) + 20. For more than 10 sessions, it is the number of database files + ((SESSIONS - 10) * 2) + 55.

If you explicitly set ENQUEUE_RESOURCES to a value higher than DML_LOCKS + 20, then Oracle uses the value you provide. Oracle will automatically allocate additional enqueues from the shared pool as needed if the number specified by

ENQUEUE_RESOURCES is exceeded. You can check resource usage by querying V\$RESOURCE_LIMIT.

See Also:

- *Oracle9i Real Application Clusters Administration*
- *Oracle9i Database Concepts*
- *Oracle9i Database Administrator's Guide*

EVENT

| | |
|------------------------|----------------------------|
| Parameter type | String |
| Default value | There is no default value. |
| Parameter class | Static |

EVENT is a parameter used only to debug the system. Do not alter the value of this parameter except under the supervision of Oracle Corporation Worldwide Support staff.

FAL_CLIENT

| | |
|------------------------|----------------------------|
| Parameter type | String |
| Syntax | FAL_CLIENT = <i>string</i> |
| Default value | There is no default value. |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SYSTEM |

FAL_CLIENT specifies the FAL (fetch archive log) client name that is used by the FAL service, configured through the FAL_SERVER parameter, to refer to the FAL client. The value is an Oracle Net service name, which is assumed to be configured properly on the FAL server system to point to the FAL client (standby database).

Given the dependency of FAL_CLIENT on FAL_SERVER, the two parameters should be configured or changed at the same time.

See Also: *Oracle9i Data Guard Concepts and Administration* for more information about FAL server

FAL_SERVER

| | |
|------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Parameter type | String |
| Syntax | <code>FAL_SERVER = string</code> |
| Default value | There is no default value. |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SYSTEM |

`FAL_SERVER` specifies the FAL (fetch archive log) server for a standby database. The value is an Oracle Net service name, which is assumed to be configured properly on the standby database system to point to the desired FAL server.

See Also: *Oracle9i Data Guard Concepts and Administration* for more information about FAL server

FAST_START_IO_TARGET

| | |
|---|---|
| Parameter type | Integer |
| Default value | All the buffers in the cache |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SYSTEM |
| Range of values | 1000 to all buffers in the cache. A setting of 0 disables limiting recovery I/Os. |
| Oracle9i Real Application Clusters | Multiple instances can have different values, and you can change the values at runtime. |

Note: This parameter is deprecated in favor of the `FAST_START_MTTR_TARGET` parameter. Oracle recommends that you use `FAST_START_MTTR_TARGET` instead. `FAST_START_IO_TARGET` is retained for backward compatibility only.

`FAST_START_IO_TARGET` (available only with the Oracle Enterprise Edition) specifies the number of I/Os that should be needed during crash or instance recovery.

When you set this parameter, `DBWn` writes dirty buffers out more aggressively, so that the number of blocks that must be processed during recovery stays below the value specified in the parameter. However, this parameter does not impose a hard limit on the number of recovery I/Os. Under transient workload situations, the number of I/Os needed during recovery may be greater than the value specified in this parameter. In such situations, `DBWn` will not slow down database activity.

Smaller values for this parameter result in faster recovery times. This improvement in recovery performance is achieved at the expense of additional writing activity during normal processing.

Setting this parameter to 0 disables fast-start checkpointing, which is the mechanism that limits the number of I/Os that need to be performed during recovery. All other writing activity is unaffected.

Notes: Recovery I/O can also be limited by setting the `LOG_CHECKPOINT_INTERVAL` or `LOG_CHECKPOINT_TIMEOUT` parameter or by the size specified for the smallest redo log. For information on which mechanism is controlling checkpointing behavior, query the `V$INSTANCE_RECOVERY` view.

See Also:

- *Oracle9i Database Performance Guide and Reference* for more information on setting this parameter
- *Oracle9i User-Managed Backup and Recovery Guide* and [V\\$INSTANCE_RECOVERY](#) on page 3-65 for information on fast-start checkpointing

FAST_START_MTTR_TARGET

| | |
|------------------------|-----------------------|
| Parameter type | Integer |
| Default value | 0 |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SYSTEM |

| | |
|------------------------------------|---|
| Range of values | 0 to 3600 seconds |
| Oracle9i Real Application Clusters | Multiple instances can have different values, and you can change the values at runtime. |

FAST_START_MTTR_TARGET enables you to specify the number of seconds the database takes to perform crash recovery of a single instance. When specified, FAST_START_MTTR_TARGET

- Is overridden by FAST_START_IO_TARGET
- Is overridden by LOG_CHECKPOINT_INTERVAL

FAST_START_PARALLEL_ROLLBACK

| | |
|-----------------|--|
| Parameter type | String |
| Syntax | FAST_START_PARALLEL_ROLLBACK = {HI LO FALSE} |
| Default value | LOW |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SYSTEM |

FAST_START_PARALLEL_ROLLBACK determines the maximum number of processes that can exist for performing parallel rollback. This parameter is useful on systems in which some or all of the transactions are long running.

Values:

- FALSE indicates that parallel rollback is disabled
- LOW limits the number of rollback processes to 2 * CPU_COUNT
- HIGH limits the number of rollback processes to 4 * CPU_COUNT

FIXED_DATE

| | |
|----------------|--------|
| Parameter type | String |
|----------------|--------|

| | |
|------------------------|---|
| Syntax | <code>FIXED_DATE = YYYY-MM-DD-HH24:MI:SS</code> (or the default Oracle date format) |
| Default value | There is no default value. |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SYSTEM |

`FIXED_DATE` enables you to set a constant date that `SYSDATE` will always return instead of the current date. This parameter is useful primarily for testing. The value can be in the format shown above or in the default Oracle date format, without a time.

Specify the value either without quotation marks or with double quotation marks.

Note: Do not use single quotation marks.

GC_FILES_TO_LOCKS

| | |
|---|---|
| Parameter type | String |
| Syntax | <code>GC_FILES_TO_LOCKS =</code> <code>'{file_list=lock_count[!blocks][EACH][:...]}'</code> Spaces are not allowed within the quotation marks. |
| Default value | There is no default value. |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Oracle9i Real Application Clusters | You must set this parameter for every instance, and multiple instances must have identical values. To change the value, you must shut down all instances in the cluster, change the value for each instance, and then start up each instance. |

Note: Setting this parameter to any value other than the default will disable Cache Fusion processing in Oracle9i Real Application Clusters.

`GC_FILES_TO_LOCKS` is an Oracle9i Real Application Clusters parameter that has no effect on an instance running in exclusive mode. It controls the mapping of pre-release 9.0.1 parallel cache management (PCM) locks to datafiles.

Values:■ *file_list*

One or more datafiles listed by their file numbers, or ranges of file numbers, with comma separators:

```
filenumber[-filenumber][,filenumber[-filenumber]]...
```

To find the correspondence between filenames and file numbers, query `FILE_NAME` and `FILE_ID` columns of the ["DBA_DATA_FILES"](#) on page 2-123 data dictionary view.

■ *lock_count*

The number of PCM locks assigned to *file_list*. By default these locks are fixed. If you set *lock_count* to 0, then Oracle uses fine-grain locking for these files and takes locks as needed from the pool of releasable locks.

■ *blocks*

Specifies the number of contiguous blocks covered by one lock. The default is noncontiguous blocks.

■ EACH

Indicates that each datafile in *file_list* is assigned a separate set of *lock_count* PCM locks.

The value of the parameter should be set to cover as many files as possible. Therefore, to avoid performance problems, you should always change `GC_FILES_TO_LOCKS` when the size of datafiles change or when new datafiles are added. Doing so requires you to shut down and restart your cluster database.

If the number of PCM locks allocated to a datafile is less than or equal to the number of blocks in a datafile, each of these locks will cover a number of contiguous blocks within the datafile equal to *blocks*. If the number of PCM locks assigned to the datafile is larger than its number of blocks, resources will be wasted because some locks will not be covering any blocks.

A colon (:) separates each clause that assigns a number of PCM locks to *file_list*.

See Also: *Oracle9i Real Application Clusters Concepts* and *Oracle9i Real Application Clusters Deployment and Performance* for more information on setting this parameter

GLOBAL_CONTEXT_POOL_SIZE

| | |
|------------------------|-------------------------|
| Parameter type | String |
| Default value | 1MB |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SYSTEM |
| Range of values | Any integer value in MB |

GLOBAL_CONTEXT_POOL_SIZE specifies the amount of memory to allocate in the SGA for storing and managing global application context.

GLOBAL_NAMES

| | |
|------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Parameter type | Boolean |
| Default value | true |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SESSION, ALTER SYSTEM |
| Range of values | true false |

GLOBAL_NAMES specifies whether a database link is required to have the same name as the database to which it connects. If the value of GLOBAL_NAMES is `false`, then no check is performed. If you use or plan to use distributed processing, Oracle Corporation recommends that you set this parameter to `true` to ensure the use of consistent naming conventions for databases and links in a networked environment.

See Also: *Oracle9i Database Administrator's Guide* for more information on setting this parameter

HASH_AREA_SIZE

| | |
|-----------------|---------------------------------|
| Parameter type | Integer |
| Default value | Derived: 2 * SORT_AREA_SIZE |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SESSION |
| Range of values | 0 to operating system-dependent |

Note: Oracle does not recommend using the `HASH_AREA_SIZE` parameter unless the instance is configured with the shared server option. Oracle recommends that you enable automatic sizing of SQL working areas by setting `PGA_AGGREGATE_TARGET` instead. `HASH_AREA_SIZE` is retained for backward compatibility.

`HASH_AREA_SIZE` is relevant to parallel execution operations and to the query portion of DML or DDL statements. It specifies the maximum amount of memory, in bytes, to be used for hash joins.

See Also:

- *Oracle9i Database Concepts* for information on hash joins in general
- *Oracle9i Database Performance Guide and Reference* for information on calculating an appropriate value for this parameter

HASH_JOIN_ENABLED

| | |
|-----------------|------------------------|
| Parameter type | Boolean |
| Default value | true |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SESSION |
| Range of values | true false |

`HASH_JOIN_ENABLED` specifies whether the optimizer should consider using a hash join as a join method. If set to `false`, then hashing is not available as a join

method. If set to `true`, then the optimizer compares the cost of a hash join with other types of joins, and chooses hashing if it gives the best cost. Oracle Corporation recommends that you set this parameter to `true` for all data warehousing applications.

HI_SHARED_MEMORY_ADDRESS

| | |
|------------------------|---------|
| Parameter type | Integer |
| Default value | 0 |
| Parameter class | Static |

`HI_SHARED_MEMORY_ADDRESS` specifies the starting address at runtime of the system global area (SGA). It is ignored on platforms that specify the SGA's starting address at linktime.

On 64-bit platforms, use `HI_SHARED_MEMORY_ADDRESS` to specify the high-order 32 bits of a 64-bit address. Use `SHARED_MEMORY_ADDRESS` to specify the low-order 32 bits of the address (see ["SHARED_MEMORY_ADDRESS"](#) on page 1-155). If both parameters are 0 or unspecified, the SGA address defaults to a platform-specific location.

HS_AUTOREGISTER

| | |
|------------------------|--|
| Parameter type | Boolean |
| Default value | <code>true</code> |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SYSTEM |
| Range of values | <code>true</code> <code>false</code> |

`HS_AUTOREGISTER` enables or disables automatic self-registration of Heterogeneous Services (HS) agents. When enabled, information is uploaded into the server's data dictionary to describe a previously unknown agent class or a new agent version.

Oracle Corporation recommends that you set this parameter to `true`. Oracle incurs less overhead when establishing subsequent connections through the same agent if self-registered information is available in the server’s data dictionary.

See Also: *Oracle9i Heterogeneous Connectivity Administrator’s Guide*
for more information on HS agents

IFILE

| | |
|------------------------------------|---|
| Parameter type | File |
| Syntax | IFILE = <i>parameter_file_name</i> |
| Default value | There is no default value. |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | Valid parameter filenames |
| Oracle9i Real Application Clusters | Multiple instances can have different values. |

Use `IFILE` to embed another parameter file within the current parameter file. For example:

```
IFILE = COMMON.ORA
```

You can have up to three levels of nesting. In this example, the file `COMMON.ORA` could contain a second `IFILE` parameter for the file `COMMON2.ORA`, which could contain a third `IFILE` parameter for the file `GCPARMS.ORA`. You can also include multiple parameter files in one parameter file by listing `IFILE` several times with different values:

```
IFILE = DBPARMS.ORA
IFILE = GCPARMS.ORA
IFILE = LOGPARMS.ORA
```

Note: You must list multiple entries on contiguous lines of the parameter file.

INSTANCE_GROUPS

| | |
|---|---|
| Parameter type | String |
| Syntax | INSTANCE_GROUPS = <i>group_name</i> [, <i>group_name</i> ...] |
| Default value | There is no default value. |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | One or more instance group names, separated by commas |
| Oracle9i Real Application Clusters | Multiple instances can have different values. |

INSTANCE_GROUPS is an Oracle9i Real Application Clusters parameter that you can specify only in parallel mode. Used in conjunction with the PARALLEL_INSTANCE_GROUP parameter, it lets you restrict parallel query operations to a limited number of instances.

This parameter specifies one or more instance groups and assigns the current instance to those groups. If one of the specified groups is also specified in the PARALLEL_INSTANCE_GROUP parameter, then Oracle allocates query processes for a parallel operation from this instance.

See Also:

- *Oracle9i Real Application Clusters Administration* for more information on parallel query execution in an Oracle9i Real Application Clusters environment
- ["PARALLEL_INSTANCE_GROUP"](#) on page 1-128

INSTANCE_NAME

| | |
|-----------------------|--|
| Parameter type | String |
| Syntax | INSTANCE_NAME = <i>instance_id</i> |
| Default value | The instance's SID Note: The SID identifies the instance's shared memory on a host, but may not uniquely distinguish this instance from other instances. |

| | |
|-----------------|-----------------------------|
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | Any alphanumeric characters |

In an Oracle9i Real Application Clusters environment, multiple instances can be associated with a single database service. Clients can override Oracle's connection load balancing by specifying a particular instance by which to connect to the database. `INSTANCE_NAME` specifies the unique name of this instance.

In a single-instance database system, the instance name is usually the same as the database name.

See Also: *Oracle9i Real Application Clusters Administration* and *Oracle Net Services Administrator's Guide* for more information

INSTANCE_NUMBER

| | |
|------------------------------------|--|
| Parameter type | Integer |
| Default value | Lowest available number; derived from instance start up order and <code>INSTANCE_NUMBER</code> value of other instances. If not configured for Oracle9i Real Application Clusters, then 0. |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | 1 to maximum number of instances specified when the database was created |
| Oracle9i Real Application Clusters | You must set this parameter for every instance, and all instances must have different values. |

`INSTANCE_NUMBER` is an Oracle9i Real Application Clusters parameter that can be specified in parallel mode or exclusive mode. It specifies a unique number that maps the instance to one free list group for each database object created with storage parameter `FREELIST GROUPS`.

The `INSTANCE` parameter of the `ALTER TABLE ... ALLOCATE EXTENT` statement assigns an extent to a particular free list group. If you set `INSTANCE_NUMBER` to the value specified for the `INSTANCE` parameter, the instance uses that extent for inserts and for updates that expand rows.

The practical maximum value of this parameter is the maximum number of instances specified in the `CREATE DATABASE` statement. The absolute maximum is operating system-dependent.

See Also: *Oracle9i Real Application Clusters Administration* for more information

JAVA_MAX_SESSIONSPACE_SIZE

| | |
|------------------------|-----------|
| Parameter type | Integer |
| Default value | 0 |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | 0 to 4 GB |

Java session space is the memory that holds Java state from one database call to another. `JAVA_MAX_SESSIONSPACE_SIZE` specifies (in bytes) the maximum amount of session space made available to a Java program executing in the server. When a user's session-duration Java state attempts to exceed this amount, the Java virtual machine kills the session with an out-of-memory failure.

See Also:

- *Oracle9i Java Developer's Guide*
- ["JAVA_SOFT_SESSIONSPACE_LIMIT"](#) on page 1-68

JAVA_POOL_SIZE

| | |
|------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Parameter type | String |
| Default value | 20000 bytes |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | 1000000 to 1000000000 bytes |

`JAVA_POOL_SIZE` specifies the size (in bytes) of the Java pool, from which the Java memory manager allocates most Java state during runtime execution. This memory includes the shared in-memory representation of Java method and class definitions, as well as the Java objects that are migrated to the Java session space at end-of-call.

See Also: *Oracle9i Java Developer's Guide* for information on adjusting this parameter

JAVA_SOFT_SESSIONSPACE_LIMIT

| | |
|-----------------|-----------|
| Parameter type | Integer |
| Default value | 0 |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | 0 to 4 GB |

Java session space is the memory that holds Java state from one database call to another. `JAVA_SOFT_SESSIONSPACE_LIMIT` specifies (in bytes) a **soft limit** on Java memory usage in a session, as a means to warn you if a user's session-duration Java state is using too much memory. When a user's session-duration Java state exceeds this size, Oracle generates a warning that goes into the trace files.

See Also:

- *Oracle9i Java Developer's Guide* for more information on this parameter
- ["JAVA_MAX_SESSIONSPACE_SIZE"](#) on page 1-67

JOB_QUEUE_PROCESSES

| | |
|------------------------------------|---|
| Parameter type | Integer |
| Default value | 0 |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SYSTEM |
| Range of values | 0 to 1000 |
| Oracle9i Real Application Clusters | Multiple instances can have different values. |

`JOB_QUEUE_PROCESSES` specifies the maximum number of processes that can be created for the execution of jobs. It specifies the number of job queue processes per instance (J000, ... J999). Replication uses job queues for data refreshes. Advanced

queuing uses job queues for message propagation. You can create user job requests through the DBMS_JOB utility.

Some job queue requests are created automatically. An example is refresh support for materialized views. If you wish to have your materialized views updated automatically, you must set JOB_QUEUE_PROCESSES to a value of one or higher.

See Also:

- *Oracle9i Replication and Oracle9i Data Warehousing Guide* for more information on managing materialized views
- *Oracle9i Application Developer's Guide - Advanced Queuing* for more information on message propagation

LARGE_POOL_SIZE

| | |
|------------------------|---|
| Parameter type | String |
| Syntax | <code>LARGE_POOL_SIZE = integer [K M]</code> |
| Default value | 0 if both of the following are true: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The pool is not required by parallel execution ■ DBWR_IO_SLAVES is not set Otherwise, derived from the values of PARALLEL_MAX_SERVERS, PARALLEL_THREADS_PER_CPU, CLUSTER_DATABASE_INSTANCES, DISPATCHERS, and DBWR_IO_SLAVES. |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | 600 KB to at least 2 GB (actual maximum is operating system-specific) |

LARGE_POOL_SIZE lets you specify the size (in bytes) of the large pool allocation heap. The large pool allocation heap is used in shared server systems for session memory, by parallel execution for message buffers, and by backup processes for disk I/O buffers. (Parallel execution allocates buffers out of the large pool only when PARALLEL_AUTOMATIC_TUNING is set to true.)

Caution: When Oracle derives a default value, it adds 250K for each session for the shared server if `DISPATCHERS` is configured. The final derived value also includes a port-specific amount of memory for backup I/O buffers. The total derived default value can either be too large to allocate or can cause performance problems. In that case, set `LARGE_POOL_SIZE` to a number sufficiently small so that the database can start.

You can specify the value of this parameter using a number, optionally followed by K or M to specify kilobytes or megabytes, respectively. If you do not specify K or M, then the number is taken as bytes.

See Also: *Oracle9i Database Performance Guide and Reference* and *Oracle9i Database Migration* for more information on setting this parameter

LICENSE_MAX_SESSIONS

| | |
|------------------------------------|--|
| Parameter type | Integer |
| Default value | 0 |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SYSTEM |
| Range of values | 0 to number of session licenses |
| Oracle9i Real Application Clusters | Multiple instances can have different values, but the total for all instances mounting a database should be less than or equal to the total number of sessions licensed for that database. |

`LICENSE_MAX_SESSIONS` specifies the maximum number of concurrent user sessions allowed. When this limit is reached, only users with the `RESTRICTED SESSION` privilege can connect to the database. Users who are not able to connect receive a warning message indicating that the system has reached maximum capacity.

A zero value indicates that concurrent usage (session) licensing is not enforced. If you set this parameter to a nonzero number, you might also want to set `LICENSE_SESSIONS_WARNING` (see ["LICENSE_SESSIONS_WARNING"](#) on page 1-71).

Do not enable both concurrent usage licensing and user licensing. Set either `LICENSE_MAX_SESSIONS` or `LICENSE_MAX_USERS` to zero.

See Also: *Oracle9i Database Administrator's Guide* for more information on setting this parameter

LICENSE_MAX_USERS

| | |
|---|---|
| Parameter type | Integer |
| Default value | 0 |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SYSTEM |
| Range of values | 0 to number of user licenses |
| Oracle9i Real Application Clusters | Multiple instances should have the same values. If different instances specify different values for this parameter, the value of the first instance to mount the database takes precedence. |

`LICENSE_MAX_USERS` specifies the maximum number of users you can create in the database. When you reach this limit, you cannot create more users. You can, however, increase the limit.

Do not enable both concurrent usage (session) licensing and user licensing. Set either `LICENSE_MAX_SESSIONS` or `LICENSE_MAX_USERS` to zero.

See Also: *Oracle9i Database Administrator's Guide* for more information on setting this parameter

LICENSE_SESSIONS_WARNING

| | |
|---|---|
| Parameter type | Integer |
| Default value | 0 |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SYSTEM |
| Range of values | 0 to value of <code>LICENSE_MAX_SESSIONS</code> parameter |
| Oracle9i Real Application Clusters | Multiple instances can have different values. |

`LICENSE_SESSIONS_WARNING` specifies a warning limit on the number of concurrent user sessions. When this limit is reached, additional users can connect, but Oracle writes a message in the alert file for each new connection. Users with `RESTRICTED SESSION` privilege who connect after the limit is reached receive a warning message stating that the system is nearing its maximum capacity.

If this parameter is set to zero, no warning is given as you approach the concurrent usage (session) limit. If you set this parameter to a nonzero number, you should also set `LICENSE_MAX_SESSIONS` (see ["LICENSE_MAX_SESSIONS"](#) on page 1-70).

See Also:

- *Oracle9i Database Administrator's Guide* for more information on setting this parameter
- *Oracle9i Real Application Clusters Administration* for more information on calculating an appropriate value for this parameter

LOCAL_LISTENER

| | |
|-----------------|---|
| Parameter type | String |
| Syntax | <code>LOCAL_LISTENER = network_name</code> |
| Default value | <code>(ADDRESS = (PROTOCOL=TCP) (HOST=) (PORT=1521))</code> |
| Parameter class | Static |

`LOCAL_LISTENER` specifies a network name that resolves to an address or address list of Oracle Net local listeners (that is, listeners that are running on the same machine as this instance). The address or address list is specified in the `TNSNAMES.ORA` file or other address repository as configured for your system.

See Also:

- *Oracle9i Database Concepts* for more information about instances, listener processes, and dispatcher processes
- *Oracle Net Services Administrator's Guide* and your operating system-specific Oracle documentation for more information about specifying network addresses for the protocols on your system

LOCK_NAME_SPACE

| | |
|------------------------|---|
| Parameter type | String |
| Syntax | <code>LOCK_NAME_SPACE = namespace</code> |
| Default value | There is no default value. |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | Up to 8 alphanumeric characters. No special characters allowed. |

`LOCK_NAME_SPACE` specifies the namespace that the distributed lock manager (DLM) uses to generate lock names. Consider setting this parameter if a standby or clone database has the same database name on the same cluster as the primary database.

If the standby database resides on the same file system as the primary database, set `LOCK_NAME_SPACE` in the standby initialization parameter file to a distinct value such as the following:

```
LOCK_NAME_SPACE = standby
```

LOCK_SGA

| | |
|------------------------|--------------|
| Parameter type | Boolean |
| Default value | false |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | true false |

`LOCK_SGA` locks the entire SGA into physical memory. It is usually advisable to lock the SGA into real (physical) memory, especially if the use of virtual memory would include storing some of the SGA using disk space. This parameter is ignored on platforms that do not support it.

LOG_ARCHIVE_DEST

| | |
|--|--|
| Parameter type | String |
| Syntax | LOG_ARCHIVE_DEST = <i>filespec</i> |
| Default value | Null |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SYSTEM |
| Range of values | Any valid path or device name, except raw partitions |
| Oracle9i/ Real Application Clusters | Multiple instances can have different values. |

Note: For Enterprise Edition users, this parameter has been deprecated in favor of the LOG_ARCHIVE_DEST_*n* parameters. If Oracle Enterprise Edition is not installed or it is installed, but you have not specified any LOG_ARCHIVE_DEST_*n* parameters, this parameter is valid.

LOG_ARCHIVE_DEST is applicable only if you are running the database in ARCHIVELOG mode or are recovering a database from archived redo logs. LOG_ARCHIVE_DEST is incompatible with the LOG_ARCHIVE_DEST_*n* parameters, and must be defined as the null string ("") or (' ') when any LOG_ARCHIVE_DEST_*n* parameter has a value other than a null string. Use a text string to specify the default location and root of the disk file or tape device when archiving redo log files. (Archiving to tape is not supported on all operating systems.) The value cannot be a raw partition.

If LOG_ARCHIVE_DEST is not explicitly defined and all the LOG_ARCHIVE_DEST_*n* parameters have null string values, LOG_ARCHIVE_DEST is set to an operating system-specific default value on instance startup.

To override the destination that this parameter specifies, either specify a different destination for manual archiving or use the SQL*Plus statement ARCHIVE LOG START *filespec* for automatic archiving, where *filespec* is the new archive destination. To permanently change the destination, use the statement ALTER SYSTEM SET LOG_ARCHIVE_DEST = *filespec*, where *filespec* is the new archive destination.

Neither LOG_ARCHIVE_DEST nor LOG_ARCHIVE_FORMAT have to be complete file or directory specifiers themselves; they only need to form a valid file path after the variables are substituted into LOG_ARCHIVE_FORMAT and the two parameters are concatenated together.

See Also:

- *Oracle9i User-Managed Backup and Recovery Guide*
- ["LOG_ARCHIVE_DUPLEX_DEST"](#) on page 1-78, ["LOG_ARCHIVE_MIN_SUCCEED_DEST"](#) on page 1-81, and ["V\\$ARCHIVE_DEST"](#) on page 3-5 for more information on setting this parameter
- Your Oracle operating system-specific documentation for the default value and for an example of how to specify the destination path or filename using LOG_ARCHIVE_DEST

LOG_ARCHIVE_DEST_n

| | |
|----------------|--------|
| Parameter type | String |
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| Syntax | <pre>LOG_ARCHIVE_DEST_[1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10] = "null_string" ((SERVICE=<i>service</i> LOCATION=<i>location</i>) [AFFIRM NOAFFIRM] [ALTERNATE=<i>destination</i> NOALTERNATE] [ARCH LGWR] [DELAY[=<i>minutes</i>] NODELAY] [DEPENDENCY=<i>destination</i> NODEPENDENCY] [MANDATORY OPTIONAL] [MAX_FAILURE=<i>count</i> NOMAX_FAILURE] [QUOTA_SIZE=<i>blocks</i> NOQUOTA_SIZE] [QUOTA_USED=<i>blocks</i> NOQUOTA_USED] [REGISTER NOREGISTER] [REGISTER=<i>location_format</i>] [REOPEN[=<i>seconds</i>] NOREOPEN] [SYNC ASYNC=<i>blocks</i>])</pre> |
| Default value | There is no default value. |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SESSION, ALTER SYSTEM |
| Range of values | Valid keyword definitions |

Note: This parameter is valid only if you have installed Oracle Enterprise Edition. You may continue to use LOG_ARCHIVE_DEST if you have installed Oracle Enterprise Edition. However, you cannot use both LOG_ARCHIVE_DEST_n and LOG_ARCHIVE_DEST, as they are not compatible.

The LOG_ARCHIVE_DEST_n parameters (where *n* = 1, 2, 3, ... 10) define up to ten archive log destinations. The parameter integer suffix is defined as the **handle** displayed by the V\$ARCHIVE_DEST dynamic performance view.

Values:

- SERVICE

Specifies a standby destination. Oracle Net (IPC or TCP) transmits the archivelog. A standby instance must be associated with the destination. The value represented by *tnsnames_service* corresponds to an appropriate service name in *tnsnames.ora*.

- LOCATION

Specifies a local file system destination. You must specify this parameter for at least one destination.

- MANDATORY

Specifies that archiving to the destination must succeed before the redo log file can be made available for reuse.

- OPTIONAL

Specifies that successful archiving to the destination is not required before the redo log file can be made available for reuse. If the "must succeed count," set with LOG_ARCHIVE_MIN_SUCCEED_DEST, is met, the redo logfile is marked for reuse. This is the default.

- REOPEN

Specifies an interval of time (in seconds) that must pass after an error has been encountered during archiving to the destination before future archives to the destination can be attempted. Future attempts are made when the next redo log file is archived. If a destination is MANDATORY, Oracle Corporation recommends that you specify a REOPEN time that reduces the possibility of primary database shutdown due to lack of available online redo log files.

If you do not specify *integer*, the default value is 300 seconds. If you do not specify REOPEN, the archiver process will never reopen a destination after an error.

See Also: *Oracle9i User-Managed Backup and Recovery Guide* and *Oracle9i Database Administrator's Guide* for more information and examples

LOG_ARCHIVE_DEST_STATE_n

| | |
|-----------------------|---|
| Parameter type | String |
| Syntax | LOG_ARCHIVE_DEST_STATE_n = {ENABLE DEFER} |

| | |
|----------------------|--------|
| Default value | ENABLE |
|----------------------|--------|

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| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SESSION, ALTER SYSTEM |
|------------------------|--------------------------------------|

The LOG_ARCHIVE_DEST_STATE_ *n* parameters (where *n* = 1, 2, 3, ... 10) specify the availability state of the corresponding destination. The parameter suffix (1 through 10) specifies one of the ten corresponding LOG_ARCHIVE_DEST_ *n* destination parameters.

Values:

- ENABLE

Specifies that a valid log archive destination can be used for a subsequent archiving operation (automatic or manual). This is the default.

- DEFER

Specifies that valid destination information and attributes are preserved, but the destination is excluded from archiving operations until re-enabled.

The LOG_ARCHIVE_DEST_STATE_ *n* parameters have no effect on the ENABLE state for the LOG_ARCHIVE_DEST or LOG_ARCHIVE_DUPLEX_DEST parameters.

The V\$ARCHIVE_DEST dynamic performance view shows values in use for the current session. The DEST_ID column of that view corresponds to the archive destination suffix *n*.

See Also:

- *Oracle9i User-Managed Backup and Recovery Guide* and *Oracle9i Database Administrator's Guide* for more information and examples
- ["V\\$ARCHIVE_DEST"](#) on page 3-5.

LOG_ARCHIVE_DUPLEX_DEST

| | |
|-----------------------|--------|
| Parameter type | String |
|-----------------------|--------|

| | |
|---------------|---|
| Syntax | LOG_ARCHIVE_DUPLEX_DEST = <i>filespec</i> |
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|----------------------|----------------------------|
| Default value | There is no default value. |
|----------------------|----------------------------|

| | |
|------------------------|-----------------------|
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SYSTEM |
|------------------------|-----------------------|

| | |
|-----------------|--|
| Range of values | Either a null string or any valid path or device name, except raw partitions |
|-----------------|--|

Note: If you are using Oracle Enterprise Edition, this parameter is deprecated in favor of the LOG_ARCHIVE_DEST_ *n* parameters. If Oracle Enterprise Edition is not installed or it is installed but you have not specified any LOG_ARCHIVE_DEST_ *n* parameters, this parameter is valid.

LOG_ARCHIVE_DUPLEX_DEST is similar to the initialization parameter LOG_ARCHIVE_DEST. This parameter specifies a second archive destination: the **duplex** archive destination. This duplex archive destination can be either a must-succeed or a best-effort archive destination, depending on how many archive destinations must succeed (as specified in the LOG_ARCHIVE_MIN_SUCCEED_DEST parameter). The default setting of a null string ("") or (' ') indicates that a duplex archive destination does not exist.

See Also:

- ["LOG_ARCHIVE_DEST_ *n*"](#) on page 1-75
- ["LOG_ARCHIVE_MIN_SUCCEED_DEST"](#) on page 1-81
- ["V\\$ARCHIVE_DEST"](#) on page 3-5

LOG_ARCHIVE_FORMAT

| | |
|-------------------------------------|---|
| Parameter type | String |
| Syntax | LOG_ARCHIVE_FORMAT = <i>filename</i> |
| Default value | Operating system-dependent |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | Any string that resolves to a valid filename |
| Oracle9i/ Real Application Clusters | Multiple instances can have different values, but identical values are recommended. |

LOG_ARCHIVE_FORMAT is applicable only if you are using the redo log in ARCHIVELOG mode. Use a text string and variables to specify the default filename format when archiving redo log files. The string generated from this format is appended to the string specified in the LOG_ARCHIVE_DEST parameter.

The following variables can be used in the format:

- %s** log sequence number
- %S** log sequence number, zero filled
- %t** thread number
- %T** thread number, zero filled

Using uppercase letters for the variables (for example, %S) causes the value to be fixed length and padded to the left with zeros. An example of specifying the archive redo log filename format follows:

```
LOG_ARCHIVE_FORMAT = "LOG%s_%t.ARC"
```

Neither LOG_ARCHIVE_DEST nor LOG_ARCHIVE_FORMAT have to be complete file or directory specifiers themselves; they only need to form a valid file path after the variables are substituted into LOG_ARCHIVE_FORMAT and the two parameters are concatenated together.

See Also:

- *Oracle9i User-Managed Backup and Recovery Guide* and *Oracle9i Real Application Clusters Administration* for more information on setting this parameter
- Your operating system- specific Oracle documentation for the default value and range of values for LOG_ARCHIVE_FORMAT

LOG_ARCHIVE_MAX_PROCESSES

| | |
|-----------------|--------------------------|
| Parameter type | Integer |
| Default value | 1 |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SYSTEM |
| Range of values | Any integer from 1 to 10 |

LOG_ARCHIVE_MAX_PROCESSES specifies the number of archiver background processes (ARC0 through ARC9) Oracle initially invokes.

- If the LOG_ARCHIVE_START initialization parameter has the value `true`, this value is evaluated at instance startup.
- Otherwise, this parameter is evaluated when the archiver process is first invoked by SQL*Plus or SQL syntax.

The actual number of archiver processes in use may vary subsequently based on archive workload.

See Also: *Oracle9i Database Concepts*

LOG_ARCHIVE_MIN_SUCCEED_DEST

| | |
|------------------------|---|
| Parameter type | Integer |
| Default value | 1 |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SESSION, ALTER SYSTEM |
| Range of values | 1 to 10 if you are using LOG_ARCHIVE_DEST_ <i>n</i> 1 or 2 if you are using LOG_ARCHIVE_DEST and LOG_ARCHIVE_DUPLEX_DEST |

LOG_ARCHIVE_MIN_SUCCEED_DEST defines the minimum number of destinations that must succeed in order for the online logfile to be available for reuse.

- If you are using the LOG_ARCHIVE_DEST_*n* parameters and automatic archiving is enabled, the value of this parameter cannot exceed either of the following:
 - The total number of destinations
 - The number of enabled, valid destinations specified as MANDATORY plus the number of enabled, valid non-standby destinations specified as OPTIONAL
- If you are using LOG_ARCHIVE_DEST and LOG_ARCHIVE_DUPLEX_DEST and automatic archiving is enabled, a value of 1 specifies that the destination specified in LOG_ARCHIVE_DEST must succeed. A value of 2 specifies that the destinations specified in both parameters must succeed.

If the value of this parameter is less than the number of enabled, valid MANDATORY destinations, this parameter is ignored in favor of the MANDATORY destination

count. If the value is more than the number of enabled, valid MANDATORY destinations, some of the enabled, valid OPTIONAL non-standby destinations are treated as MANDATORY.

You cannot set a value for this parameter dynamically if LOG_ARCHIVE_DEST or LOG_ARCHIVE_DUPLEX_DEST are in use. However, you can switch dynamically from one system to the other using ALTER SYSTEM, as follows:

- 1. Set LOG_ARCHIVE_MIN_SUCCEED_DEST to 1.
- 2. Set the value of LOG_ARCHIVE_DEST and LOG_ARCHIVE_DUPLEX_DEST to the null string.
- 3. Set the desired number of destinations for the LOG_ARCHIVE_DEST_n parameters.
- 4. Reset LOG_ARCHIVE_MIN_SUCCEED_DEST to the desired value.

See Also:

- *Oracle9i Database Administrator's Guide* for more information on setting this parameter
- ["LOG_ARCHIVE_DEST_n"](#) on page 1-75, ["LOG_ARCHIVE_DUPLEX_DEST"](#) on page 1-78, and ["V\\$ARCHIVE_DEST"](#) on page 3-5 for information on related parameters

LOG_ARCHIVE_START

| | |
|------------------------------------|---|
| Parameter type | Boolean |
| Default value | false |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | true false |
| Oracle9i Real Application Clusters | Multiple instances can have different values. |

LOG_ARCHIVE_START is applicable only when you use the redo log in ARCHIVELOG mode. It indicates whether archiving should be automatic or manual when the instance starts up.

Values:

- `true`
Indicates that archiving is automatic
- `false`
Indicates that the database administrator will archive filled redo log files manually

The SQL*Plus statements `ARCHIVE LOG START` or `ARCHIVE LOG STOP` override this parameter.

In ARCHIVELOG mode, if all online redo log files fill without being archived, Oracle issues an error and suspends instance operations until the necessary archiving is performed. This delay is more likely if you use manual archiving. You can reduce its likelihood by increasing the number of online redo log files.

To use ARCHIVELOG mode while creating a database, set this parameter to `true`. Normally, a database is created in NOARCHIVELOG mode and then altered to ARCHIVELOG mode after creation.

See Also: *Oracle9i Database Administrator's Guide* and *Oracle9i Real Application Clusters Administration*

LOG_ARCHIVE_TRACE

| | |
|---|---|
| Parameter type | Integer |
| Default value | 0 |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SYSTEM |
| Range of values | 0, 1, 2, 4, 8, 16, 32, 64, 128 |
| Oracle9i Real Application Clusters | Multiple instances can have different values. |

LOG_ARCHIVE_TRACE controls output generated by the archivelog process.

This process can be initiated by any of the following:

- An ARC*n* background process (designated as ARC*n* in the output logs)
- An explicit session-invoked foreground process (designated as ARCH in the output logs)

The valid values have the following meanings:

- 0: Disable archivelog tracing (this is the default)
- 1: Track archival of redo log file
- 2: Track archival status of each archivelog destination
- 4: Track archival operational phase
- 8: Track archivelog destination activity
- 16: Track detailed archivelog destination activity
- 32: Track archivelog destination parameter modifications
- 64: Track ARC*n* process state activity
- 128: Track FAL (fetch archived log) server related activities

You can combine tracing levels by adding together the values of the desired tracing levels. For example, a setting of 3 will generate level 1 and level 2 trace output. You can set different values for the primary and standby database.

When this parameter is set to the default value of 0, Oracle will still generate appropriate alert and trace entries in response to error conditions. If you change the value of this parameter dynamically in an `ALTER SYSTEM` statement, the changes will take effect at the start of the next archivelog operation.

See Also: *Oracle9i User-Managed Backup and Recovery Guide*

LOG_BUFFER

| | |
|-----------------|--|
| Parameter type | Integer |
| Default value | Maximum is 512 KB or 128 KB * CPU_COUNT, whichever is greater. |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | Operating system-dependent |

`LOG_BUFFER` specifies the amount of memory, in bytes, that Oracle uses when buffering redo entries to a redo log file. Redo log entries contain a record of the changes that have been made to the database block buffers. The LGWR process writes redo log entries from the log buffer to a redo log file.

In general, larger values for LOG_BUFFER reduce redo log file I/O, particularly if transactions are long or numerous. In a busy system, a value 65536 or higher is reasonable.

See Also:

- *Oracle9i Database Performance Guide and Reference* for more information on setting this parameter
- Your operating system-specific Oracle documentation for the default value and range of values

LOG_CHECKPOINT_INTERVAL

| | |
|---|---|
| Parameter type | Integer |
| Default value | Operating system-dependent |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SYSTEM |
| Range of values | Unlimited |
| Oracle9i Real Application Clusters | Multiple instances can have different values. |

LOG_CHECKPOINT_INTERVAL specifies the frequency of checkpoints in terms of the number of redo log file blocks that can exist between an incremental checkpoint and the last block written to the redo log. This number refers to physical operating system blocks, not database blocks.

Regardless of this value, a checkpoint always occurs when switching from one online redo log file to another. Therefore, if the value exceeds the actual redo log file size, checkpoints occur only when switching logs. Checkpoint frequency is one of the factors that influence the time required for the database to recover from an unexpected failure.

Notes:

- Specifying a value of 0 (zero) for LOG_CHECKPOINT_INTERVAL has the same effect as setting the parameter to infinity and causes the parameter to be ignored. Only nonzero values of this parameter are considered meaningful.
 - Recovery I/O can also be limited by setting the FAST_START_IO_TARGET or LOG_CHECKPOINT_TIMEOUT parameter or by the size specified for the smallest redo log. For information on which mechanism is controlling checkpointing behavior, query the V\$INSTANCE_RECOVERY view.
-

See Also:

- *Oracle9i Database Performance Guide and Reference* for more information on setting this parameter
- ["FAST_START_IO_TARGET"](#) on page 1-56, ["LOG_CHECKPOINT_TIMEOUT"](#) on page 1-86, and ["V\\$INSTANCE_RECOVERY"](#) on page 3-65

LOG_CHECKPOINT_TIMEOUT

| | |
|------------------------------------|--|
| Parameter type | Integer |
| Default value | Oracle9i: 900 seconds Oracle9i Enterprise Edition: 1800 seconds |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SYSTEM |
| Range of values | 0 to unlimited |
| Oracle9i Real Application Clusters | Multiple instances can have different values. |

LOG_CHECKPOINT_TIMEOUT specifies the amount of time, in seconds, that has passed since the incremental checkpoint at the position where the last write to the redo log (sometimes called the **tail of the log**) occurred. This parameter also signifies that no buffer will remain dirty (in the cache) for more than *integer* seconds.

Specifying a value of 0 for the timeout disables time-based checkpoints. Hence, setting the value to 0 is not recommended.

Notes:

- A checkpoint scheduled to occur because of this parameter is delayed until the completion of the previous checkpoint if the previous checkpoint has not yet completed.
 - Recovery I/O can also be limited by setting the `FAST_START_IO_TARGET` or `LOG_CHECKPOINT_INTERVAL` parameter or by the size specified for the smallest redo log. For information on which mechanism is controlling checkpointing behavior, query the `V$INSTANCE_RECOVERY` view.
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See Also:

- *Oracle9i Database Performance Guide and Reference* for more information on setting this parameter
- ["FAST_START_IO_TARGET"](#) on page 1-56, ["LOG_CHECKPOINT_TIMEOUT"](#) on page 1-86, and ["V\\$INSTANCE_RECOVERY"](#) on page 3-65

LOG_CHECKPOINTS_TO_ALERT

| | |
|------------------------|-----------------------|
| Parameter type | Boolean |
| Default value | false |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SYSTEM |
| Range of values | true false |

`LOG_CHECKPOINTS_TO_ALERT` lets you log your checkpoints to the alert file. Doing so is useful for determining whether checkpoints are occurring at the desired frequency.

LOG_FILE_NAME_CONVERT

| | |
|------------------------|--|
| Parameter type | String |
| Syntax | <pre>LOG_FILE_NAME_CONVERT = ([('string1' , 'string2' , 'string3' , 'string4' , ...[]]) where: string1 is the pattern of the primary database filename string2 is the pattern of the standby database filename string3 is the pattern of the primary database filename string4 is the pattern of the standby database filename You can use as many pairs of primary and standby replacement strings as required. You can use single or double quotation marks. The parentheses are optional. Following are example settings that are acceptable: LOG_FILE_NAME_CONVERT=(' /dbs/t1/' , ' /dbs/t1/s_' , 'dbs/t2/' , 'dbs/t2/s_')</pre> |
| Default value | None |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | Character strings |

LOG_FILE_NAME_CONVERT converts the filename of a new log file on the primary database to the filename of a log file on the standby database. If you add a log file to the primary database, you must add a corresponding file to the standby database.

If you specify an odd number of strings (the last string has no corresponding replacement string), an error is signalled during startup. If the filename being converted matches more than one pattern in the pattern/replace string list, the first matched pattern takes effect. There is no limit on the number of pairs that you can specify in this parameter (other than the hard limit of the maximum length of multivalue parameters).

When the standby database is updated, this parameter converts the log file name on the primary database to the log file name on the standby database. The file must exist on the standby database and must be writable or the recovery process will halt with an error.

The first string is the pattern found in the log file names on the primary database. The second string is the pattern found in the log file names on the standby database.

You should also use `LOG_FILE_NAME_CONVERT` to rename the logfiles in the clone controlfile when setting up the clone database during tablespace point-in-time recovery.

See Also: *Oracle9i User-Managed Backup and Recovery Guide* and *Oracle9i Data Guard Concepts and Administration*

LOGMNR_MAX_PERSISTENT_SESSIONS

| | |
|------------------------|---------------------------|
| Parameter type | Integer |
| Default value | 1 |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | 1 to LICENSE_MAX_SESSIONS |

`LOGMNR_MAX_PERSISTENT_SESSIONS` enables you to specify the maximum number of persistent LogMiner mining sessions (which are LogMiner sessions that are backed up on disk) that are concurrently active when all sessions are mining redo logs generated by standalone instances. This pre-allocates $2 * \text{LOGMNR_MAX_PERSISTENT_SESSIONS}$ MB of contiguous memory in the SGA for use by LogMiner.

LogMiner requires 2 MB of contiguous memory for mining the redo log stream generated by a non-cluster database instance. To mine redo logs generated by an n -instance cluster database system, 2 MB of contiguous memory is required for each redo thread (or, a total of $2 * n$). Because persistent LogMiner sessions stage all data in the SGA, read buffers must be allocated in the SGA. The required contiguous memory is allocated at instance startup.

`LOGMNR_MAX_PERSISTENT_SESSIONS` is normalized for redo logs generated by non-cluster database instances. If you wish to mine a redo log stream generated by a 3-node cluster database instance, you should set this parameter to 3 (because one persistent session mining redo log generated in a 3-node cluster database instance is equivalent to 3 persistent sessions, each with mining redo logs generated by a non-cluster database instance). The memory remains exclusively allocated for LogMiner persistent sessions. This parameter does not affect transient LogMiner sessions that are not backed up on disk and are staged entirely in the Process Global Area (PGA).

See Also: *Oracle9i Supplied PL/SQL Packages and Types Reference* for information on the DBMS_LOGMNR_SESSION package

MAX_COMMIT_PROPAGATION_DELAY

| | |
|------------------------------------|--|
| Parameter type | Integer |
| Default value | 700 |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | 0 to 90000 |
| Oracle9i Real Application Clusters | You must set this parameter for every instance, and multiple instances must have identical values. |

Caution: Change this parameter only when it is absolutely necessary to see the most current version of the database when performing a query.

MAX_COMMIT_PROPAGATION_DELAY is an Oracle9i Real Application Clusters parameter. This initialization parameter should not be changed except under a limited set of circumstances specific to the cluster database.

This parameter specifies the maximum amount of time allowed before the system change number (SCN) held in the SGA of an instance is refreshed by the log writer process (LGWR). It determines whether the local SCN should be refreshed from the lock value when getting the snapshot SCN for a query. Units are in hundredths of seconds.

Under very unusual circumstances involving rapid updates and queries of the same data from different instances, the SCN might not be refreshed in a timely manner. Setting the parameter to zero causes the SCN to be refreshed immediately after a commit. The default value (700 hundredths of a second, or seven seconds) is an upper bound that allows the preferred existing high performance mechanism to remain in place.

See Also: *Oracle9i Real Application Clusters Administration* for more information on setting this parameter

MAX_DISPATCHERS

| | |
|------------------------|---|
| Parameter type | Integer |
| Default value | 5 |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | 5 or the number of dispatchers configured, whichever is greater |

`MAX_DISPATCHERS` specifies the maximum number of dispatcher processes allowed to be running simultaneously. The default value applies only if dispatchers have been configured for the system.

The value of `MAX_DISPATCHERS` should at least equal the maximum number of concurrent sessions divided by the number of connections for each dispatcher. For most systems, a value of 250 connections for each dispatcher provides good performance.

See Also:

- *Oracle9i Database Performance Guide and Reference* for more information on setting this parameter
- Your operating system-specific Oracle documentation for the default value and range of values

MAX_DUMP_FILE_SIZE

| | |
|------------------------|---|
| Parameter type | String |
| Syntax | <code>MAX_DUMP_FILE_SIZE = {integer [K M] UNLIMITED}</code> |
| Default value | UNLIMITED |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SESSION, ALTER SYSTEM |
| Range of values | 0 to unlimited, or UNLIMITED |

`MAX_DUMP_FILE_SIZE` specifies the maximum size of trace files (excluding the alert file). Change this limit if you are concerned that trace files may use too much space.

- A numerical value for MAX_DUMP_FILE_SIZE specifies the maximum size in operating system blocks.
- A number followed by a K or M suffix specifies the file size in kilobytes or megabytes.
- The special value string UNLIMITED means that there is no upper limit on trace file size. Thus, dump files can be as large as the operating system permits.

See Also: *Oracle9i Database Administrator's Guide* and *Oracle9i Database Performance Guide and Reference* for more information on setting this parameter

MAX_ENABLED_ROLES

| | |
|-----------------|----------|
| Parameter type | Integer |
| Default value | 20 |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | 0 to 148 |

MAX_ENABLED_ROLES specifies the maximum number of database roles that users can enable, including roles contained within other roles.

The actual number of roles users can enable is 2 plus the value of MAX_ENABLED_ROLES, because each user has two additional roles, PUBLIC and the user's own role. For example, if MAX_ENABLED_ROLES is set to 5, user HR can have seven roles enabled: the five enabled by MAX_ENABLED_ROLES, plus PUBLIC and HR.

See Also: *Oracle9i Database Administrator's Guide* for more information on setting this parameter

MAX_ROLLBACK_SEGMENTS

| | |
|-----------------|--|
| Parameter type | Integer |
| Default value | MAX(30 , TRANSACTIONS/TRANSACTIONS_PER_ROLLBACK_SEGMENT) |
| Parameter class | Static |

| | |
|------------------------|------------|
| Range of values | 2 to 65535 |
|------------------------|------------|

`MAX_ROLLBACK_SEGMENTS` specifies the maximum size of the rollback segment cache in the SGA. The number specified signifies the maximum number of rollback segments that can be kept online (that is, status of `ONLINE`) simultaneously by one instance.

See Also: *Oracle9i Database Administrator's Guide* for more information on setting this parameter

MAX_SHARED_SERVERS

| | |
|------------------------|---|
| Parameter type | Integer |
| Default value | Derived from <code>SHARED_SERVERS</code> (either 20 or $2 * \text{SHARED_SERVERS}$) |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | Operating system-dependent |

`MAX_SHARED_SERVERS` specifies the maximum number of shared server processes allowed to be running simultaneously. If artificial deadlocks occur too frequently on your system, you should increase the value of `MAX_SHARED_SERVERS`.

See Also:

- *Oracle9i Database Performance Guide and Reference* for more information on setting this parameter
- *Oracle9i Database Concepts* for information on artificial deadlocks
- Your operating system-specific Oracle documentation for the default value and range of values

MTS_CIRCUITS

| | |
|-----------------------|---------|
| Parameter type | Integer |
|-----------------------|---------|

| | |
|-----------------|---|
| Default value | Derived: <ul style="list-style-type: none">■ If you are using MTS architecture, then the value of SESSIONS■ If you are not using the MTS architecture, then the value is 0 |
| Parameter class | Static |

Note: This parameter is deprecated in favor of the `CIRCUITS` parameter. Oracle recommends that you use `CIRCUITS` instead. `MTS_CIRCUITS` is retained for backward compatibility only.

`MTS_CIRCUITS` specifies the total number of virtual circuits that are available for inbound and outbound network sessions. It is one of several parameters that contribute to the total SGA requirements of an instance.

See Also:

- *Oracle9i Database Concepts* for more information on memory structures and processes
- ["DB_BLOCK_BUFFERS"](#) on page 1-33 and ["TRANSACTIONS"](#) on page 1-170, which also contribute to SGA requirements

See Also: ["CIRCUITS"](#) on page 1-23

MTS_DISPATCHERS

| | |
|----------------|---|
| Parameter type | String |
| Syntax | <pre>MTS_DISPATCHERS = 'dispatch_clause' dispatch_clause ::= (PROTOCOL = protocol) (ADDRESS = address) (DESCRIPTION = description) [options_clause]</pre> |

| | |
|--|----------------------------|
| options_clause::= | |
| <pre> (DISPATCHERS = <i>integer</i> SESSIONS = <i>integer</i> CONNECTIONS = <i>integer</i> TICKS = <i>seconds</i> POOL = {1 ON YES TRUE BOTH ({IN OUT} = <i>ticks</i>) 0 OFF NO FALSE <i>ticks</i>} MULTIPLEX = {1 ON YES TRUE 0 OFF NO FALSE BOTH IN OUT} LISTENER = <i>tnsname</i> SERVICE = <i>service</i> INDEX = <i>integer</i>) </pre> | |
| Default value | There is no default value. |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SYSTEM |

Note: This parameter is deprecated in favor of the DISPATCHERS parameter. Oracle recommends that you use DISPATCHERS instead. MTS_DISPATCHERS is retained for backward compatibility only.

MTS_DISPATCHERS configures dispatcher processes in the multi-threaded server (MTS) architecture. The parsing software supports a name-value syntax to enable the specification of attributes in a position-independent case-insensitive manner. For example:

```
MTS_DISPATCHERS = "(PROTOCOL=TCP) (DISPATCHERS=3)"
```

Specify only one of the following attributes: PROTOCOL, ADDRESS, or DESCRIPTION. If you specify either ADDRESS or DESCRIPTION, you can specify additional network attributes. Doing so supports multi-homed hosts.

dispatch_clause

- PROTOCOL (PRO or PROT)

The network protocol for which the dispatchers will generate a listening end point.

- ADDRESS (ADD or ADDR)

The network address (in Net8 syntax) of the end point which the dispatchers will listen on. (Includes the protocol.)

- DESCRIPTION (DES or DESC)

The network description (in Net8 syntax, including the protocol) of the end point on which the dispatchers will listen.

options_clause

- DISPATCHERS (DIS or DISP)

An integer specifying the initial number of dispatchers to start. Default is 1.

- SESSIONS (SES or SESS)

Specifies the maximum number of network sessions to allow for each dispatcher. The default is set by Net8 and is platform-specific.

- CONNECTIONS (CON or CONN)

An integer specifying the maximum number of network connections to allow for each dispatcher. The default is set by Net8 and is platform-specific.

- TICKS (TIC or TICK)

Specifies the size of a network tick in seconds. The default is set by Net8 and is platform-specific.

- POOL (POO)

Enables the Net8 Connection Pooling feature.

- An integer indicates that Connection Pooling is enabled for both incoming and outgoing network connections. The number specified is the timeout in ticks for both incoming and outgoing network connections.
- ON, YES, TRUE, and BOTH indicate that Connection Pooling is enabled for both incoming and outgoing network connections. The default timeout (set by Net8) will be used for both incoming and outgoing network connections.
- IN indicates that Connection Pooling is enabled for incoming network connections. The default timeout (set by Net8) will be used for incoming network connections.
- OUT indicates that Connection Pooling is enabled for outgoing network connections. The default timeout (set by Net8) will be used for outgoing network connections.

- NO, OFF, and FALSE indicate that Connection Pooling is disabled for both incoming and outgoing network connections. This is the default.

POOL can also be assigned a name-value string such as: "(IN=10)", "(OUT=20)", or "(IN=10)(OUT=20)". In such cases:

- If an IN numeric value is specified, then Connection Pooling is enabled for incoming connections, and the number specified is the timeout in ticks for incoming network connections.
- If an OUT numeric value is specified, then Connection Pooling is enabled for outgoing network connections, and the number specified is the timeout in ticks for outgoing network connections.
- If the numeric value of a specified timeout is 0 or 1, then the default value (set by Net8) will be used.

- MULTIPLEX (MUL or MULT)

Enables the Net8 Network Session Multiplex feature.

- The values 1, ON, YES, TRUE, and BOTH indicate that Network Session Multiplex is enabled for both incoming and outgoing network connections.
- The value IN indicates that Network Session Multiplex is enabled for incoming network connections.
- The value OUT indicates that Network Session Multiplexing is enabled for outgoing network connections.
- The values 0, NO, OFF, and FALSE indicate that Network Session Multiplexing is disabled for both incoming and outgoing network connections. This is the default.

- LISTENER (LIS, LIST)

Specifies the network name of an address or address list of the Net8 listeners with which the dispatchers will register.

The LISTENER attribute facilitates administration of multi-homed hosts. This attribute specifies the appropriate listeners with which the dispatchers will register. The LISTENER attribute overrides the LOCAL_LISTENER parameter. See "[LOCAL_LISTENER](#)" on page 1-72.

- SERVICE (SER, SERV)

Specifies the service name that the dispatchers register with the Net8 listeners.

- INDEX

Use this parameter in an ALTER SYSTEM SET DISPATCHERS statement to indicate which dispatcher you want to modify. (If you specify INDEX in the initialization parameter file, Oracle ignores it.) In an ALTER SYSTEM statement, INDEX specifies the order in which the parameter's values were initialized. The value ranges from 0 (for the first dispatcher process) to one less than the total number of dispatchers you define.

For example, if you specify 3 dispatchers in the initialization parameter file, you would modify the third dispatcher by specifying INDEX=2 in the ALTER SYSTEM statement. You could also add an additional dispatcher in the ALTER SYSTEM statement by specifying INDEX=3.

See Also: *Oracle Net Services Administrator's Guide* for more information on setting this parameter

MTS_MAX_DISPATCHERS

| | |
|-----------------|---|
| Parameter type | Integer |
| Default value | 5 |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | 5 or the number of dispatchers configured, whichever is greater |

Note: This parameter is deprecated in favor of the MAX_DISPATCHERS parameter. Oracle recommends that you use MAX_DISPATCHERS instead. MTS_MAX_DISPATCHERS is retained for backward compatibility only.

MTS_MAX_DISPATCHERS specifies the maximum number of dispatcher processes allowed to be running simultaneously. The default value applies only if dispatchers have been configured for the system.

The value of MTS_MAX_DISPATCHERS should at least equal the maximum number of concurrent sessions divided by the number of connections for each dispatcher. For most systems, a value of 250 connections for each dispatcher provides good performance.

See Also:

- *Oracle9i Database Performance Guide and Reference* for more information on setting this parameter
- Your operating system-specific Oracle documentation for the default value and range of values

MTS_MAX_SERVERS

| | |
|------------------------|---|
| Parameter type | Integer |
| Default value | Derived from MTS_SERVERS (either 20 or 2*MTS_SERVERS) |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | Operating system-dependent |

Note: This parameter is deprecated in favor of the MAX_SHARED_SERVERS parameter. Oracle recommends that you use MAX_SHARED_SERVERS instead. MTS_MAX_SERVERS is retained for backward compatibility only.

MTS_MAX_SERVERS specifies the maximum number of shared server processes allowed to be running simultaneously. If artificial deadlocks occur too frequently on your system, you should increase the value of MTS_MAX_SERVERS.

See Also:

- *Oracle9i Database Performance Guide and Reference* for more information on setting this parameter
- *Oracle9i Database Concepts* for information on artificial deadlocks
- Your operating system-specific Oracle documentation for the default value and range of values

MTS_SERVERS

| | |
|-----------------------|---------|
| Parameter type | Integer |
|-----------------------|---------|

| | |
|-----------------|--|
| Default value | If you are using MTS architecture, then the value is 1. If you are not using MTS architecture, then the value is 0. |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SYSTEM |
| Range of values | Operating system-dependent |

Note: This parameter is deprecated in favor of the SHARED_SERVERS parameter. Oracle recommends that you use SHARED_SERVERS instead. MTS_SERVERS is retained for backward compatibility only.

MTS_SERVERS specifies the number of server processes that you want to create when an instance is started up. If system load decreases, this minimum number of servers is maintained. Therefore, you should take care not to set MTS_SERVERS too high at system startup.

See Also: *Oracle9i Database Performance Guide and Reference* for more information on setting this parameter

MTS_SESSIONS

| | |
|-----------------|--|
| Parameter type | Integer |
| Default value | Derived: the lesser of MTS_CIRCUITS and SESSIONS - 5 |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | 0 to SESSIONS - 5 |

Note: This parameter is deprecated in favor of the SHARED_SERVER_SESSIONS parameter. Oracle recommends that you use SHARED_SERVER_SESSIONS instead. MTS_SESSIONS is retained for backward compatibility only.

MTS_SESSIONS specifies the total number of MTS architecture user sessions to allow. Setting this parameter enables you to reserve user sessions for dedicated servers.

See Also: *Oracle9i Database Concepts* for more information on memory structures and processes

NLS_CALENDAR

| | |
|-----------------|----------------------------------|
| Parameter type | String |
| Syntax | NLS_CALENDAR = "calendar_system" |
| Default value | None |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SESSION |
| Range of values | Any valid calendar format name |

NLS_CALENDAR specifies which calendar system Oracle uses. It can have one of the following values:

- Arabic Hijrah
- English Hijrah
- Gregorian
- Japanese Imperial
- Persian
- ROC Official (Republic of China)
- Thai Buddha

For example, suppose NLS_CALENDAR is set to "Japanese Imperial", the date format is "E YY-MM-DD". ("E" is the date format element for the abbreviated era name.) If the date is May 15, 1997, then the SYSDATE is displayed as follows:

```
SELECT SYSDATE FROM DUAL;
SYSDATE
-----
H 09-05-15
```

See Also: *Oracle9i Globalization Support Guide* for a listing of available calendar systems

NLS_COMP

| | |
|-----------------|----------------------------|
| Parameter type | String |
| Syntax | NLS_COMP = {BINARY ANSI} |
| Default value | BINARY |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SESSION |

Normally, comparisons in the WHERE clause of queries are binary unless you specify the NLSSORT function. By setting this parameter to ANSI, you indicate that comparisons in the WHERE clause of queries should use the linguistic sort specified in the NLS_SORT parameter. You must also define an index on the column for which you want linguistic sorts.

See Also: *Oracle9i Globalization Support Guide* for more information on setting this parameter

NLS_CURRENCY

| | |
|-----------------|---|
| Parameter type | String |
| Syntax | NLS_CURRENCY = <i>currency_symbol</i> |
| Default value | Derived from NLS_TERRITORY |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SESSION |
| Range of values | Any valid character string, with a maximum of 10 bytes (not including null) |

NLS_CURRENCY specifies the string to use as the local currency symbol for the L number format element. The default value of this parameter is determined by NLS_TERRITORY.

- See Also:**
- *Oracle9i Globalization Support Guide* for more information on setting this parameter
 - *Oracle9i SQL Reference* for information on number format elements

NLS_DATE_FORMAT

| | |
|------------------------|---|
| Parameter type | String |
| Syntax | NLS_DATE_FORMAT = <i>"format"</i> |
| Default value | Derived from NLS_TERRITORY |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SESSION |
| Range of values | Any valid date format mask but not exceeding a fixed length |

NLS_DATE_FORMAT specifies the default date format to use with the TO_CHAR and TO_DATE functions. The default value of this parameter is determined by NLS_TERRITORY.

The value of this parameter can be any valid date format mask, and the value must be surrounded by double quotation marks. For example:

```
NLS_DATE_FORMAT = "MM/DD/YYYY"
```

See Also:

- *Oracle9i Globalization Support Guide* for more information on setting this parameter
- *Oracle9i Heterogeneous Connectivity Administrator's Guide* for information on setting this parameter in heterogeneous systems

NLS_DATE_LANGUAGE

| | |
|------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Parameter type | String |
| Syntax | NLS_DATE_LANGUAGE = <i>language</i> |
| Default value | Derived from NLS_LANGUAGE |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SESSION |
| Range of values | Any valid NLS_LANGUAGE value |

NLS_DATE_LANGUAGE specifies the language to use for the spelling of day and month names and date abbreviations (a.m., p.m., AD, BC) returned by the TO_DATE and TO_CHAR functions.

See Also:

- *Oracle9i Globalization Support Guide* for more information on setting this parameter
- *Oracle9i SQL Reference* for information on the TO_DATE and TO_CHAR functions.
- *Oracle9i Heterogeneous Connectivity Administrator's Guide* for information on setting this parameter in heterogeneous systems

NLS_DUAL_CURRENCY

| | |
|------------------------|--|
| Parameter type | String |
| Syntax | NLS_DUAL_CURRENCY = <i>currency_symbol</i> |
| Default value | Derived from NLS_TERRITORY |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SESSION |
| Range of values | Any valid format name up to 10 characters |

NLS_DUAL_CURRENCY specifies the dual currency symbol (such as "Euro") for the territory. The default is the dual currency symbol defined in the territory of your current language environment.

See Also: *Oracle9i Globalization Support Guide* for more information on setting this parameter

NLS_ISO_CURRENCY

| | |
|------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Parameter type | String |
| Syntax | NLS_ISO_CURRENCY = <i>territory</i> |
| Default value | Derived from NLS_TERRITORY |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SESSION |
| Range of values | Any valid NLS_TERRITORY value |

NLS_ISO_CURRENCY specifies the string to use as the international currency symbol for the C number format element.

Local currency symbols can be ambiguous. For example, a dollar sign (\$) can refer to U.S. dollars or Australian dollars. ISO Specification 4217 1987-07-15 defines unique "international" currency symbols for the currencies of specific territories or countries.

See Also:

- *Oracle9i Globalization Support Guide* for more information on setting this parameter
- *Oracle9i SQL Reference* for information on number format elements

NLS_LANGUAGE

| | |
|------------------------|--|
| Parameter type | String |
| Syntax | NLS_LANGUAGE = <i>language</i> |
| Default value | Operating system-dependent, derived from the NLS_LANG environment variable |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SESSION |
| Range of values | Any valid language name |

NLS_LANGUAGE specifies the default language of the database. This language is used for messages, day and month names, symbols for AD, BC, a.m., and p.m., and the default sorting mechanism. This parameter also determines the default values of the parameters NLS_DATE_LANGUAGE and NLS_SORT.

See Also:

- *Oracle9i Globalization Support Guide* for a complete list of languages and additional information on this parameter
- Your operating system-specific Oracle documentation and the release notes for your country

NLS_LENGTH_SEMANTICS

| | |
|-----------------------|--------|
| Parameter type | String |
|-----------------------|--------|

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|------------------------|--|
| Syntax | NLS_LENGTH_SEMANTICS = <i>string</i> Example: NLS_LENGTH_SEMANTICS = 'CHAR' |
| Default value | BYTE |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SESSION, ALTER SYSTEM |
| Range of values | BYTE CHAR |

NLS_LENGTH_SEMANTICS enables you to create CHAR and VARCHAR2 columns using either byte or character length semantics. Existing columns are not affected.

Databases should use byte semantics rather than character semantics if they have a variable-width multibyte character set. All other databases should be created or eventually migrated to character semantics. Old databases using unmodified old applications should use byte semantics.

NLS_LENGTH_SEMANTICS does not apply to tables in SYS and SYSTEM. The data dictionary will always use byte semantics regardless. Also, NCHAR, NVARCHAR, CLOB, and NCLOB are always character-based.

NLS_NCHAR_CONV_EXCP

| | |
|------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Parameter type | String |
| Syntax | NLS_NCHAR_CONV_EXCP = {TRUE FALSE} |
| Default value | FALSE |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SESSION, ALTER SYSTEM |

NLS_NCHAR_CONV_EXCP determines whether data loss during an implicit or explicit character type conversion will report an error.

See Also: *Oracle9i Globalization Support Guide* for more information on setting this parameter

NLS_NUMERIC_CHARACTERS

| | |
|-----------------|---|
| Parameter type | String |
| Syntax | NLS_NUMERIC_CHARACTERS = "decimal_character group_separator" |
| Default value | Derived from NLS_TERRITORY |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SESSION |

NLS_NUMERIC_CHARACTERS specifies the characters to use as the group separator and decimal character. It overrides those characters defined implicitly by NLS_TERRITORY. The group separator separates integer groups (that is, thousands, millions, billions, and so on). The decimal separates the integer portion of a number from the decimal portion.

You can specify any character as the decimal or group separator. The two characters specified must be single-byte and must be different from each other. The characters cannot be any numeric character or any of the following characters: plus (+), minus sign (-), less than sign (<), greater than sign (>). Either character can be a space.

For example, if you wish to specify a comma as the decimal character and a space as the group separator, you would set this parameter as follows:

```
NLS_NUMERIC_CHARACTERS = ", "
```

See Also: *Oracle9i Globalization Support Guide* for more information on setting this parameter

NLS_SORT

| | |
|-----------------|---|
| Parameter type | String |
| Syntax | NLS_SORT = {BINARY <i>linguistic_definition</i> } |
| Default value | Derived from NLS_LANGUAGE |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SESSION |
| Range of values | BINARY or any valid linguistic definition name |

NLS_SORT specifies the collating sequence for ORDER BY queries.

- If the value is BINARY, then the collating sequence for ORDER BY queries is based on the numeric value of characters (a binary sort that requires less system overhead).
- If the value is a named linguistic sort, sorting is based on the order of the defined linguistic sort. Most (but not all) languages supported by the NLS_LANGUAGE parameter also support a linguistic sort with the same name.

Note: Setting NLS_SORT to anything other than BINARY causes a sort to use a full table scan, regardless of the path chosen by the optimizer. BINARY is the exception because indexes are built according to a binary order of keys. Thus the optimizer can use an index to satisfy the ORDER BY clause when NLS_SORT is set to BINARY. If NLS_SORT is set to any linguistic sort, the optimizer must include a full table scan and a full sort in the execution plan.

You must use the NLS_SORT operator with comparison operations if you want the linguistic sort behavior.

See Also:

- *Oracle9i Globalization Support Guide* for a current listing of values you can specify for this parameter
- *Oracle9i Database Concepts* for more information on this parameter

NLS_TERRITORY

| | |
|-----------------|----------------------------------|
| Parameter type | String |
| Syntax | NLS_TERRITORY = <i>territory</i> |
| Default value | Operating system-dependent |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SESSION |
| Range of values | Any valid territory name |

NLS_TERRITORY specifies the name of the territory whose conventions are to be followed for day and week numbering.

This parameter also establishes the default date format, the default decimal character and group separator, and the default ISO and local currency symbols.

For information on these settings, see ["NLS_DATE_FORMAT"](#) on page 1-103, ["NLS_NUMERIC_CHARACTERS"](#) on page 1-107, ["NLS_CURRENCY"](#) on page 1-102, and ["NLS_ISO_CURRENCY"](#) on page 1-104.

See Also:

- *Oracle9i Globalization Support Guide* for a complete list of territories
- Your operating system-specific Oracle documentation for the territory-dependent default values for these parameters

NLS_TIMESTAMP_FORMAT

| | |
|------------------------|--|
| Parameter type | String |
| Syntax | NLS_TIMESTAMP_FORMAT = " <i>format</i> " |
| Default value | Derived from NLS_TERRITORY |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SESSION |
| Range of values | Any valid datetime format mask |

NLS_TIMESTAMP_FORMAT defines the default timestamp format to use with the TO_CHAR and TO_TIMESTAMP functions.

The value must be surrounded by quotation marks as follows:

```
NLS_TIMESTAMP_FORMAT = 'YYYY-MM-DD HH:MI:SS.FF'
```

You can specify the value of NLS_TIMESTAMP_FORMAT by setting it in the initialization parameter file. You can specify its value for a client as a client environment variable.

You can also alter the value of NLS_TIMESTAMP_FORMAT by changing its value in the initialization parameter and then restarting the instance. To alter the value during a session use the ALTER SESSION SET statement.

NLS_TIMESTAMP_TZ_FORMAT

| | |
|-----------------|---|
| Parameter type | String |
| Syntax | NLS_TIMESTAMP_TZ_FORMAT = " <i>format</i> " |
| Default value | Derived from NLS_TERRITORY |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SESSION |
| Range of values | Any valid datetime format mask |

NLS_TIMESTAMP_TZ_FORMAT defines the default timestamp with time zone format to use with the TO_CHAR and TO_TIMESTAMP_TZ functions.

The value must be surrounded by quotation marks as follows:

```
NLS_TIMESTAMP_TZ_FORMAT = 'YYYY-MM-DD HH:MI:SS.FF TZh:TzM'
```

You can specify the value of NLS_TIMESTAMP_TZ_FORMAT by setting it in the initialization parameter file. You can specify its value for a client as a client environment variable.

You can also alter the value of NLS_TIMESTAMP_TZ_FORMAT by changing its value in the initialization parameter and then restarting the instance. To alter the value during a session use the ALTER SESSION SET statement.

07_DICTIONARY_ACCESSIBILITY

| | |
|-----------------|--------------|
| Parameter type | Boolean |
| Default value | false |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | true false |

07_DICTIONARY_ACCESSIBILITY is intended for use when you migrate from Oracle7 to Oracle9i. It controls restrictions on SYSTEM privileges. If the parameter is set to true, access to objects in the SYS schema is allowed (Oracle7 behavior). The default setting of false ensures that system privileges that allow access to objects in "any schema" do not allow access to objects in SYS schema.

For example, if `O7_DICTIONARY_ACCESSIBILITY = false`, then the `SELECT ANY TABLE` privilege allows access to views or tables in any schema except the `SYS` schema (data dictionary tables cannot be accessed). The system privilege `EXECUTE ANY PROCEDURE` allows access on the procedures in any schema except the `SYS` schema.

If this parameter is set to `false` and you need to access objects in the `SYS` schema, then you must be granted explicit object privilege. Also, the following roles, which can be granted to the database administrator, also allow access to dictionary objects: `SELECT_CATALOG_ROLE`, `EXECUTE_CATALOG_ROLE`, and `DELETE_CATALOG_ROLE`.

See Also:

- *Oracle9i Database Migration* for more information on this parameter and the roles mentioned here
- *Oracle9i SQL Reference* for information on granting roles

OBJECT_CACHE_MAX_SIZE_PERCENT

| | |
|-----------------|---|
| Parameter type | Integer |
| Default value | 10 |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SESSION, ALTER SYSTEM ... DEFERRED |
| Range of values | 0 to operating system-dependent maximum |

The **object cache** is a memory block on the client that allows applications to store entire objects and to navigate among them without round trips to the server. `OBJECT_CACHE_MAX_SIZE_PERCENT` specifies the percentage of the optimal cache size that the session object cache can grow past the optimal size. The maximum size is equal to the optimal size plus the product of this percentage and the optimal size. When the cache size exceeds this maximum size, the system will attempt to shrink the cache to the optimal size.

See Also:

- ["OBJECT_CACHE_OPTIMAL_SIZE"](#) on page 1-112 for a description of the object cache
- *Oracle9i Database Concepts*, *Pro*C/C++ Precompiler Programmer's Guide*, and *Oracle Call Interface Programmer's Guide* for information on precompiler use of the object cache

OBJECT_CACHE_OPTIMAL_SIZE

| | |
|-----------------|---|
| Parameter type | Integer |
| Default value | 102400 (100K) |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SESSION, ALTER SYSTEM ... DEFERRED |
| Range of values | 10 KB to operating system-dependent maximum |

The **object cache** is a memory block on the client that allows applications to store entire objects and to navigate among them without round trips to the server. `OBJECT_CACHE_OPTIMAL_SIZE` specifies (in bytes) the size to which the session object cache is reduced when the size of the cache exceeds the maximum size.

See Also: *Oracle9i Database Concepts*, *Pro*C/C++ Precompiler Programmer's Guide*, and *Oracle Call Interface Programmer's Guide* for information on precompiler use of the object cache

OPEN_CURSORS

| | |
|-----------------|---------------------------|
| Parameter type | Integer |
| Default value | 50 |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | 1 to 4294967295 (4 GB -1) |

`OPEN_CURSORS` specifies the maximum number of open cursors (handles to private SQL areas) a session can have at once. You can use this parameter to prevent a session from opening an excessive number of cursors. This parameter also

constrains the size of the PL/SQL cursor cache which PL/SQL uses to avoid having to reparse as statements are reexecuted by a user.

It is important to set the value of `OPEN_CURSORS` high enough to prevent your application from running out of open cursors. The number will vary from one application to another. Assuming that a session does not open the number of cursors specified by `OPEN_CURSORS`, there is no added overhead to setting this value higher than actually needed.

See Also:

- *Oracle9i Database Performance Guide and Reference* for more information on setting this parameter
- Your operating system-specific Oracle documentation for the range of values

OPEN_LINKS

| | |
|------------------------|----------|
| Parameter type | Integer |
| Default value | 4 |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | 0 to 255 |

`OPEN_LINKS` specifies the maximum number of concurrent open connections to remote databases in one session. These connections include database links, as well as external procedures and cartridges, each of which uses a separate process.

Oracle counts one open link for the following:

- For each user that references a public or private database link
- For each external procedure or cartridge connection when it is executed for the first time

Both types of connections close when the session ends. You can also close a database link connection explicitly by issuing an `ALTER SESSION CLOSE DATABASE LINK` statement.

You should set this parameter to allow for the external procedure and cartridge connections expected during the session plus the number of databases referred to in typical distributed transactions (that is, a single SQL statement that references multiple databases), so that all the databases can be open to execute the statement. For example, if queries alternately access databases A, B, and C, and `OPEN_LINKS` is set to 2, time will be lost waiting while one connection is broken and another made. Increase the value if many different databases are accessed over time.

This parameter refers only to connections used for distributed transactions. Direct connections to a remote database specified as an application connects are not counted.

If you set `OPEN_LINKS` to 0, then no distributed transactions are allowed.

See Also: ["OPEN_LINKS_PER_INSTANCE"](#) on page 1-114 for information on setting open connections globally for a database instance

OPEN_LINKS_PER_INSTANCE

| | |
|---|---|
| Parameter type | Integer |
| Default value | 4 |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | 0 to 4294967295 (4 GB -1) |
| Oracle9i Real Application Clusters | Multiple instances can have different values. |

`OPEN_LINKS_PER_INSTANCE` specifies the maximum number of migratable open connections globally for each database instance. XA transactions use migratable open connections so that the connections are cached after a transaction is committed. Another transaction can use the connection, provided the user who created the connection is the same as the user who owns the transaction.

`OPEN_LINKS_PER_INSTANCE` is different from `OPEN_LINKS`, which indicates the number of connections from a session. The `OPEN_LINKS` parameter is not applicable to XA applications.

See Also: ["OPEN_LINKS"](#) on page 1-113

OPTIMIZER_FEATURES_ENABLE

| | |
|-----------------|---|
| Parameter type | String |
| Syntax | OPTIMIZER_FEATURES_ENABLE = <i>release_number</i> |
| Default value | 9.0.0 |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | 8.0.0, 8.0.3, 8.0.4, 8.0.5, 8.0.6, 8.1.0, 8.1.3, 8.1.4, 8.1.5, 8.1.6, 8.1.7,9.0.0 |

OPTIMIZER_FEATURES_ENABLE lets you change the behavior of the Oracle optimizer based on a release number. For example, if you upgrade your database from release 8.0.5 to release 8.1.5, but you want to keep the release 8.0.5 optimizer behavior, you can do so by setting this parameter to 8.0.5. At another time, you can try the new enhancements introduced up to release 8.1.5 by setting the parameter to 8.1.5.

Table 1–5 lists some optimizer features and indicates which release settings enable those features. The features listed in Table 1–5 are described in the documents indicated.

Table 1–5 Enabling Optimizer Features Based on Release Number

| Features | Release | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|---------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| | 8.0.0 | 8.0.3 | 8.0.4 | 8.0.5 | 8.0.6 | 8.1.0 | 8.1.3 | 8.1.4 | 8.1.5 | 8.1.6 | 8.1.7 |
| Use of index fast full scans (<i>Oracle9i Database Performance Guide and Reference</i> , <i>Oracle9i Database Concepts</i>) | | | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | |
| Consideration of bitmap access paths for tables with only B-tree indexes | | | X | X | X | | | | | | |
| Complex view merging (<i>Oracle9i Database Concepts</i>) | | | X | X | X | | | | | | |
| Push-join predicate feature (<i>Oracle9i Database Performance Guide and Reference</i>) | | | X | X | X | | | | | | |

Table 1–5 (Cont.) Enabling Optimizer Features Based on Release Number

| Features | Release | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|---------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| | 8.0.0 | 8.0.3 | 8.0.4 | 8.0.5 | 8.0.6 | 8.1.0 | 8.1.3 | 8.1.4 | 8.1.5 | 8.1.6 | 8.1.7 |
| Subquery unnesting (<i>Oracle9i SQL Reference</i>) | | | | | | | | | | | X |
| Common subexpression elimination | | | | | | | | | | | X |
| Index joins (<i>Oracle9i Database Performance Guide and Reference</i> , <i>Oracle9i Database Concepts</i>) | | | | | | | | | | | X |

OPTIMIZER_INDEX_CACHING

| | |
|-----------------|------------------------|
| Parameter type | Integer |
| Default value | 0 |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SESSION |
| Range of values | 0 to 100 |

OPTIMIZER_INDEX_CACHING lets you adjust the behavior of cost-based optimization to favor nested loops joins and IN-list iterators.

The cost of executing an index using an IN-list iterator or of executing a nested loops join when an index is used to access the inner table depends on the caching of that index in the buffer cache. The amount of caching depends on factors that the optimizer cannot predict, such as the load on the system and the block access patterns of different users.

You can modify the optimizer's assumptions about index caching for nested loops joins and IN-list iterators by setting this parameter to a value between 0 and 100 to indicate the percentage of the index blocks the optimizer should assume are in the cache. Setting this parameter to a higher value makes nested loops joins and IN-list iterators look less expensive to the optimizer. As a result, it will be more likely to pick nested loops joins over hash or sort-merge joins and to pick indexes using IN-list iterators over other indexes or full table scans. The default for this parameter is 0, which results in default optimizer behavior.

See Also: *Oracle9i Database Performance Guide and Reference* for more information on setting this parameter

OPTIMIZER_INDEX_COST_ADJ

| | |
|-----------------|------------------------|
| Parameter type | Integer |
| Default value | 100 |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SESSION |
| Range of values | 1 to 10000 |

OPTIMIZER_INDEX_COST_ADJ lets you tune optimizer behavior for access path selection to be more or less index friendly—that is, to make the optimizer more or less prone to selecting an index access path over a full table scan.

The default for this parameter is 100 percent, at which the optimizer evaluates index access paths at the regular cost. Any other value makes the optimizer evaluate the access path at that percentage of the regular cost. For example, a setting of 50 makes the index access path look half as expensive as normal.

Note: The adjustment does not apply to user-defined cost functions for domain indexes.

See Also: *Oracle9i Database Performance Guide and Reference* for more information on setting this parameter, and on its relationship to "[OPTIMIZER_INDEX_CACHING](#)"

OPTIMIZER_MAX_PERMUTATIONS

| | |
|-----------------|--------------------------------------|
| Parameter type | Integer |
| Default value | 80000 |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SESSION, ALTER SYSTEM |
| Range of values | 4 to 2^{32} (~4.3 billion) |

OPTIMIZER_MAX_PERMUTATIONS restricts the number of permutations of the tables the optimizer will consider in queries with joins. Such a restriction ensures

that the parse time for the query stays within acceptable limits. However, a slight risk exists that the optimizer will overlook a good plan it would otherwise have found.

The default value for this parameter is 80000, which corresponds to no limitation at all. Setting this parameter to a value less than 1000 normally ensures parse times of a few seconds or less.

OPTIMIZER_MODE

| | |
|-----------------|---|
| Parameter type | String |
| Syntax | OPTIMIZER_MODE = {first_rows_[1 10 100 1000] first_rows all_rows choose rule} |
| Default value | choose |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SESSION |

OPTIMIZER_MODE establishes the default behavior for choosing an optimization approach for the instance.

Values:

- rule
The optimizer chooses a rule-based approach for all SQL statements regardless of the presence of statistics.
- choose
The optimizer chooses between a cost-based approach and a rule-based approach based on whether statistics are available.

If the data dictionary contains statistics for at least one of the accessed tables, then the optimizer uses a cost-based approach and optimizes with a goal of best throughput. If the data dictionary contains only some statistics, then the cost-based approach is used, and the optimizer must guess the statistics for the subjects without any statistics. This can result in sub-optimal execution plans. If the data dictionary contains no statistics for any of the accessed tables, then the optimizer uses a rule-based approach.
- first_rows_n

The optimizer uses a cost-based approach, regardless of the presence of statistics, and optimizes with a goal of best response time to return the first n rows (where $n = 1, 10, 100, 1000$).

- `first_rows`

The optimizer uses a mix of costs and heuristics to find a best plan for fast delivery of the first few rows.

- `all_rows`

The optimizer uses a cost-based approach for all SQL statements in the session regardless of the presence of statistics and optimizes with a goal of best throughput (minimum resource use to complete the entire statement).

See Also:

- *Oracle9i Database Performance Guide and Reference* for more information on setting this parameter
- *Oracle9i Database Concepts* and *Oracle9i Database Performance Guide and Reference* for more information about the optimizer

ORACLE_TRACE_COLLECTION_NAME

| | |
|------------------------|---|
| Parameter type | String |
| Syntax | <code>ORACLE_TRACE_COLLECTION_NAME = collection_name</code> |
| Default value | There is no default value. |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | Valid collection name up to 16 characters long (except for platforms that enforce 8-character file names) |

A **collection** is data collected for events that occurred while an instrumented product was running. `ORACLE_TRACE_COLLECTION_NAME` specifies the Oracle Trace collection name for this instance. Oracle also uses this parameter in the output file names (collection definition file `.cdf` and data collection file `.dat`). If you set `ORACLE_TRACE_ENABLE` to `true`, setting this value to a non-null string will start a default Oracle Trace collection that will run until this value is set to null again.

See Also:

- *Oracle9i Database Performance Guide and Reference* for more information on the Oracle Trace facility and on setting this parameter
- ["ORACLE_TRACE_ENABLE"](#) on page 1-121

ORACLE_TRACE_COLLECTION_PATH

| | |
|-----------------|--|
| Parameter type | String |
| Syntax | ORACLE_TRACE_COLLECTION_PATH = <i>pathname</i> |
| Default value | Operating system-specific |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | Full directory pathname |

ORACLE_TRACE_COLLECTION_PATH specifies the directory pathname where the Oracle Trace collection definition (.cdf) and data collection (.dat) files are located. If you accept the default, the Oracle Trace .cdf and .dat files will be located in *ORACLE_HOME*/otrace/admin/cdf.

You must specify this parameter if you set the ORACLE_TRACE_FACILITY_NAME parameter.

See Also: *Oracle9i Database Performance Guide and Reference* for more information on the Oracle Trace facility and on setting this parameter

ORACLE_TRACE_COLLECTION_SIZE

| | |
|-----------------|-----------------|
| Parameter type | Integer |
| Default value | 5242880 |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | 0 to 4294967295 |

ORACLE_TRACE_COLLECTION_SIZE specifies (in bytes) the maximum size of the Oracle Trace collection file (.dat). Once the collection file reaches this maximum, the collection is disabled. A value of 0 means that the file has no size limit.

See Also: *Oracle9i Database Performance Guide and Reference* for more information on the Oracle Trace facility and on setting this parameter

ORACLE_TRACE_ENABLE

| | |
|-----------------|--------------------------------------|
| Parameter type | Boolean |
| Default value | false |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SESSION, ALTER SYSTEM |
| Range of values | true false |

To enable Oracle Trace collections for the server, set ORACLE_TRACE_ENABLE to true. This setting alone does not start an Oracle Trace collection, but it allows Oracle Trace to be used for the server.

With ORACLE_TRACE_ENABLE set to true, you can perform Oracle Trace collection of server event data in any of the following ways:

- By using Oracle Trace Manager, which is supplied with the Oracle Diagnostic Pack
- By using the Oracle Trace command line interface, which is supplied with the server
- By specifying a collection name in the ORACLE_TRACE_COLLECTION_NAME parameter

See Also:

- *Oracle9i Database Performance Guide and Reference* for more information on the Oracle Trace facility and on setting this parameter
- ["ORACLE_TRACE_COLLECTION_NAME"](#) on page 1-119

ORACLE_TRACE_FACILITY_NAME

| | |
|-----------------|---|
| Parameter type | String |
| Syntax | ORACLE_TRACE_FACILITY_NAME = {ORACLE ORACLEE ORACLESM ORACLEC} |
| Default value | ORACLE |
| Parameter class | Static |

ORACLE_TRACE_FACILITY_NAME specifies the event set that Oracle Trace collects. The value of this parameter, followed by the .fdf extension, is the name of the Oracle Trace product definition file. That file must be located in the directory specified by the ORACLE_TRACE_FACILITY_PATH parameter. The product definition file contains definition information for all the events and data items that can be collected for products that use the Oracle Trace data collection API.

The Oracle server has multiple event sets and therefore multiple product definition files:

- ORACLE is the ALL event set
- ORACLE is the DEFAULT event set
- ORACLEE is the EXPERT event set
- ORACLESM is the SUMMARY event set
- ORACLEC is the CACHEIO event set

Oracle Corporation recommends that you use the DEFAULT event set for Oracle server collections, ORACLE.

See Also:

- *Oracle9i Database Performance Guide and Reference* for more information on the Oracle Trace facility and on setting this parameter
- ["ORACLE_TRACE_COLLECTION_PATH"](#) on page 1-120

ORACLE_TRACE_FACILITY_PATH

| | |
|------------------------|--|
| Parameter type | String |
| Syntax | <code>ORACLE_TRACE_FACILITY_PATH = pathname</code> |
| Default value | Operating system-specific |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | Full directory pathname |

`ORACLE_TRACE_FACILITY_PATH` specifies the directory pathname where Oracle Trace facility definition files are located. On Solaris, the default path is `ORACLE_HOME/otrace/admin/fdf/`. On NT, the default path is `%OTRACE80%\ADMIN\FDF\`.

See Also: *Oracle9i Database Performance Guide and Reference* for more information on the Oracle Trace facility and on setting this parameter

OS_AUTHENT_PREFIX

| | |
|------------------------|--|
| Parameter type | String |
| Syntax | <code>OS_AUTHENT_PREFIX = authentication_prefix</code> |
| Default value | <code>OPS\$</code> |
| Parameter class | Static |

`OS_AUTHENT_PREFIX` specifies a prefix that Oracle uses to authenticate users attempting to connect to the server. Oracle concatenates the value of this parameter to the beginning of the user's operating system account name and password. When a connection request is attempted, Oracle compares the prefixed username with Oracle usernames in the database.

The default value of this parameter is `OPS$` for backward compatibility with previous versions. However, you might prefer to set the prefix value to `''` (a null string), thereby eliminating the addition of any prefix to operating system account names.

Note: The text of the `OS_AUTHENT_PREFIX` parameter is case sensitive on some operating systems.

See Also:

- *Oracle Advanced Security Administrator's Guide* for more information on setting this parameter
- Your operating system-specific Oracle documentation for the default value

OS_ROLES

| | |
|-----------------|--------------|
| Parameter type | Boolean |
| Default value | false |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | true false |

`OS_ROLES` determines whether Oracle or the operating system identifies and manages the roles of each username.

Values:

- `TRUE`

The operating system completely manages the role grants for all database usernames. When a user attempts to create a session, the username's security domain is initialized using the roles identified by the operating system. A user can subsequently enable as many roles identified by the operating system as specified by the parameter `MAX_ENABLED_ROLES`.

Revocation by Oracle of roles granted by the operating system is ignored, as are any roles previously granted by Oracle.
- `FALSE`

Oracle identifies and manages the roles.

See Also:

- *Oracle9i Database Administrator's Guide* and *Oracle Advanced Security Administrator's Guide* for more information on roles and on setting this parameter
- ["MAX_ENABLED_ROLES"](#) on page 1-92 and ["REMOTE_OS_ROLES"](#) on page 1-145

PARALLEL_ADAPTIVE_MULTI_USER

| | |
|------------------------|---|
| Parameter type | Boolean |
| Default value | Derived from the value of PARALLEL_AUTOMATIC_TUNING |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SYSTEM |
| Range of values | true false |

PARALLEL_ADAPTIVE_MULTI_USER, when set to true, enables an adaptive algorithm designed to improve performance in multiuser environments that use parallel execution. The algorithm automatically reduces the requested degree of parallelism based on the system load at query startup time. The effective degree of parallelism is based on the default degree of parallelism, or the degree from the table or hints, divided by a reduction factor.

The algorithm assumes the following:

- The system has been tuned for optimal performance in a single-user environment
- The parameter [PARALLEL_AUTOMATIC_TUNING](#) parameter is set to TRUE

Tables and hints use the default degree of parallelism.

See Also: *Oracle9i Database Performance Guide and Reference* for more information on tuning parallel execution and on the algorithm described here

PARALLEL_AUTOMATIC_TUNING

| | |
|-----------------|--------------|
| Parameter type | Boolean |
| Default value | false |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | true false |

Note: This parameter applies to parallel execution in exclusive mode as well as in the Oracle9i Real Application Clusters environment.

When PARALLEL_AUTOMATIC_TUNING is set to true, Oracle determines the default values for parameters that control parallel execution. In addition to setting this parameter, you must specify the PARALLEL clause for the target tables in the system. Oracle then tunes all subsequent parallel operations automatically.

If you used parallel execution in a previous release and are now enabling PARALLEL_AUTOMATIC_TUNING, you should reduce the amount of memory allocated from the shared pool to account for the decreased demand on that pool. This memory will now be allocated from the large pool, and will be computed automatically if LARGE_POOL_SIZE is left unset.

As part of the automatic tuning, Oracle will enable the PARALLEL_ADAPTIVE_MULTI_USER parameter. You can override any of the system-provided defaults if desired.

See Also: *Oracle9i Database Performance Guide and Reference* for more information on tuning parallel execution

PARALLEL_BROADCAST_ENABLED

| | |
|-----------------|------------------------|
| Parameter type | Boolean |
| Default value | false |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SESSION |

| | |
|-----------------|--------------|
| Range of values | true false |
|-----------------|--------------|

Note: This parameter refers to parallel execution, not to Oracle9i Real Application Clusters.

PARALLEL_BROADCAST_ENABLED lets you improve performance of hash and merge join operations in which a very large join result set is joined with a very small result set (size being measured in bytes, rather than number of rows).

When this parameter is set to true, the optimizer can choose to copy all the source rows of the small result set and broadcast a copy to each cluster database that is processing some rows of the larger set.

PARALLEL_EXECUTION_MESSAGE_SIZE

| | |
|------------------------------------|--|
| Parameter type | Integer |
| Default value | Operating system-dependent |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | 2148 to 65535 (64 KB - 1) |
| Oracle9i Real Application Clusters | Multiple instances must have the same value. |

PARALLEL_EXECUTION_MESSAGE_SIZE specifies the size of messages for parallel execution (formerly referred to as parallel query, PDML, Parallel Recovery, replication).

On most platforms, the default value is 2148bytes if PARALLEL_AUTOMATIC_TUNING is set to false, and 4096 bytes if PARALLEL_AUTOMATIC_TUNING is set to true. The default value is adequate for most applications. Larger values require a larger shared pool. Larger values result in better performance at the cost of higher memory use. For this reason, replication gets no benefit from increasing the size.

Note: When PARALLEL_AUTOMATIC_TUNING is set to TRUE, message buffers are allocated out of the large pool. In this case, the default is generally higher.

PARALLEL_INSTANCE_GROUP

| | |
|------------------------------------|--|
| Parameter type | String |
| Syntax | PARALLEL_INSTANCE_GROUP = <i>group_name</i> |
| Default value | A group consisting of all instances currently active |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SESSION, ALTER SYSTEM |
| Range of values | Any group name specified in the INSTANCE_GROUPS parameter of any active instance |
| Oracle9i Real Application Clusters | Different instances can have different values. |

PARALLEL_INSTANCE_GROUP is an Oracle9i Real Application Clusters parameter that you can specify in parallel mode only. Used in conjunction with the INSTANCE_GROUPS parameter, it lets you restrict parallel query operations to a limited number of instances.

This parameter identifies the parallel instance group Oracle will use for spawning parallel execution processes. Parallel operations will spawn parallel execution processes only on instances that specify a matching group in their INSTANCE_GROUPS parameter.

If the value of PARALLEL_INSTANCE_GROUP does not correspond to an instance group name specified for an active instance, Oracle returns an error.

See Also: *Oracle9i Real Application Clusters Administration* for more information on parallel query execution in an Oracle9i Real Application Clusters environment

PARALLEL_MAX_SERVERS

| | |
|-----------------|---|
| Parameter type | Integer |
| Default value | Derived from the values of CPU_COUNT, PARALLEL_AUTOMATIC_TUNING, and PARALLEL_ADAPTIVE_MULTI_USER |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | 0 to 3599 |

| | |
|------------------------------------|--|
| Oracle9i Real Application Clusters | Multiple instances must have the same value. |
|------------------------------------|--|

Note: This parameter applies to parallel execution in exclusive mode as well as in the Oracle9i Real Application Clusters environment.

PARALLEL_MAX_SERVERS specifies the maximum number of parallel execution processes and parallel recovery processes for an instance. As demand increases, Oracle increases the number of processes from the number created at instance startup up to this value.

If you set this parameter too low, some queries may not have a parallel execution process available to them during query processing. If you set it too high, memory resource shortages may occur during peak periods, which can degrade performance.

See Also: *Oracle9i Database Performance Guide and Reference* for more information on tuning parallel execution

PARALLEL_MIN_PERCENT

| | |
|------------------------------------|---|
| Parameter type | Integer |
| Default value | 0 |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SESSION |
| Range of values | 0 to 100 |
| Oracle9i Real Application Clusters | Multiple instances can have different values. |

PARALLEL_MIN_PERCENT operates in conjunction with PARALLEL_MAX_SERVERS and PARALLEL_MIN_SERVERS. It lets you specify the minimum percentage of parallel execution processes (of the value of PARALLEL_MAX_SERVERS) required for parallel execution. Setting this parameter ensures that parallel operations will not execute sequentially unless adequate resources are available. The default value of 0 means that no minimum percentage of processes has been set.

Consider the following settings:

```
PARALLEL_MIN_PERCENT = 50
PARALLEL_MIN_SERVERS = 5
PARALLEL_MAX_SERVERS = 10
```

If 8 of the 10 parallel execution processes are busy, only 2 processes are available. If you then request a query with a degree of parallelism of 8, the minimum 50% will not be met.

You can use this parameter in conjunction with `PARALLEL_ADAPTIVE_MULTI_USER`. In a multi-user environment, an individual user or application can set `PARALLEL_MIN_PERCENT` to a minimum value until sufficient resources are available on the system and an acceptable degree of parallelism is returned.

See Also:

- *Oracle9i Database Performance Guide and Reference* for more information on tuning parallel execution
- ["PARALLEL_MAX_SERVERS"](#) on page 1-128, ["PARALLEL_MIN_SERVERS"](#) on page 1-130, and ["PARALLEL_ADAPTIVE_MULTI_USER"](#) on page 1-125

PARALLEL_MIN_SERVERS

| | |
|------------------------------------|---|
| Parameter type | Integer |
| Default value | 0 |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | 0 to value of <code>PARALLEL_MAX_SERVERS</code> |
| Oracle9i Real Application Clusters | Multiple instances can have different values. |

Note: This parameter applies to parallel execution in exclusive mode as well as in the Oracle9i Real Application Clusters environment.

`PARALLEL_MIN_SERVERS` specifies the minimum number of parallel execution processes for the instance. This value is the number of parallel execution processes Oracle creates when the instance is started.

See Also: *Oracle9i Database Performance Guide and Reference* for more information on tuning parallel execution

PARALLEL_THREADS_PER_CPU

| | |
|-----------------|---------------------------------------|
| Parameter type | Integer |
| Default value | Operating system-dependent, usually 2 |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SYSTEM |
| Range of values | Any nonzero number |

Note: This parameter applies to parallel execution in exclusive mode as well as in the Oracle9i Real Application Clusters environment.

`PARALLEL_THREADS_PER_CPU` specifies the default degree of parallelism for the instance and determines the parallel adaptive and load balancing algorithms. The parameter describes the number of parallel execution processes or **threads** that a CPU can handle during parallel execution.

The default is platform-dependent and is adequate in most cases. You should decrease the value of this parameter if the machine appears to be overloaded when a representative parallel query is executed. You should increase the value if the system is I/O bound.

See Also: *Oracle9i Database Performance Guide and Reference* for more information on tuning parallel execution

PARTITION_VIEW_ENABLED

| | |
|----------------|---------|
| Parameter type | Boolean |
| Default value | false |

| | |
|-----------------|------------------------|
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SESSION |
| Range of values | true false |

Note: Oracle Corporation recommends that you use partitioned tables (available starting with Oracle8) rather than partition views. Partition views are supported for backward compatibility only.

PARTITION_VIEW_ENABLED specifies whether the optimizer uses partition views. If you set this parameter to true, the optimizer prunes (or skips) unnecessary table accesses in a partition view and alters the way it computes statistics on a partition view from statistics on underlying tables.

See Also: *Oracle9i Database Concepts* for information on the advantages of partitioned tables and how to convert partition views to partitioned tables

PGA_AGGREGATE_TARGET

| | |
|-----------------|--|
| Parameter type | Big integer |
| Syntax | PGA_AGGREGATE_TARGET = integer [K M G] |
| Default value | 0 (automatic memory management is turned OFF by default) |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SYSTEM |
| Range of values | 10 MB to 4000 GB |

PGA_AGGREGATE_TARGET specifies the target aggregate PGA memory available to all server processes attached to the instance. You must set this parameter to enable the automatic sizing of SQL working areas used by memory-intensive SQL operators such as sort, group-by, hash-join, bitmap merge, and bitmap create.

Oracle uses this parameter as a target for PGA memory. Use this parameter to determine the optimal size of each work area allocated in AUTO mode (in other words, when WORKAREA_SIZE_POLICY is set to AUTO).

Oracle attempts to keep the amount of private memory below the target specified by this parameter by adapting the size of the work areas to private memory. When increasing the value of this parameter, you indirectly increase the memory allotted

to work areas. Consequently, more memory-intensive operations are able to run fully in memory and less will work their way over to disk.

When setting this parameter, you should examine the total memory on your system that is available to the Oracle instance and subtract the SGA. You can assign the remaining memory to `PGA_AGGREGATE_TARGET`.

PLSQL_COMPILER_FLAGS

| | |
|------------------------|--|
| Parameter type | String |
| Syntax | <code>PLSQL_COMPILER_FLAGS = { [DEBUG NON_DEBUG] [INTERPRETED NORMAL] }</code> |
| Default value | <code>INTERPRETED, NON_DEBUG</code> |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: <code>ALTER SESSION, ALTER SYSTEM</code> |

`PLSQL_COMPILER_FLAGS` is a parameter used by the PL/SQL compiler. It specifies a list of compiler flags as a comma-separated list of strings.

Values:

- `INTERPRETED`
PL/SQL modules will be compiled to PL/SQL bytecode format. Such modules are executed by the PL/SQL interpreter engine.
- `NATIVE`
PL/SQL modules (with the possible exception of top-level anonymous PL/SQL blocks) will be compiled to native (machine) code. Such modules will be executed natively without incurring any interpreter overhead.
- `DEBUG`
PL/SQL modules will be compiled with PROBE debug symbols.

The following combinations of flags are invalid specifications for the `PLSQL_COMPILER_FLAGS` parameter:

- `NATIVE & DEBUG`
- `NATIVE & INTERPRETED`

When the value of the parameter is changed, it has no effect on PL/SQL modules that have already been compiled.

The value of this parameter is stored persistently with the library unit. If a pl/sql library unit is compiled native, all subsequent automatic recompilations of that library unit will use native compilation.

PLSQL_NATIVE_C_COMPILER

| | |
|------------------------|--|
| Parameter type | String |
| Syntax | <code>PLSQL_NATIVE_C_COMPILER = <i>pathname</i></code> |
| Default value | There is no default value. |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SYSTEM |
| Range of values | Any valid path name |

PLSQL_NATIVE_C_COMPILER specifies the full path name of a C compiler which is used to compile the generated C file into an object file.

PLSQL_NATIVE_C_COMPILER is optional. The platform-specific make file that is shipped for each platform contains a default value for this parameter. If a value is specified for this parameter, it will override the default value in the make file.

PLSQL_NATIVE_LIBRARY_DIR

| | |
|------------------------|--|
| Parameter type | String |
| Syntax | <code>PLSQL_NATIVE_LIBRARY_DIR = <i>directory</i></code> |
| Default value | There is no default value. |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SYSTEM |
| Range of values | Any valid directory path |

PLSQL_NATIVE_LIBRARY_DIR is a parameter used by the PL/SQL compiler. It specifies the name of a directory where the shared objects produced by the native compiler are stored.

PLSQL_NATIVE_LIBRARY_SUBDIR_COUNT

| | |
|------------------------|--|
| Parameter type | Integer |
| Default value | 0 |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SYSTEM |
| Range of values | 0 to $2^{32}-1$ (max value represented by 32 bits) |

PLSQL_NATIVE_LIBRARY_SUBDIR_COUNT specifies the number of subdirectories created by the database administrator in the directory specified by PLSQL_NATIVE_LIBRARY_DIR.

When using the PL/SQL native compiler, Performance of file create/open operations is unacceptably slow if the number of files in a directory is very large. It is usually advisable to create subdirectories and use this parameter if the total number of different PL/SQL packages that may need to be compiled natively by all users of the database instance exceeds 10000.

The subdirectories should have names corresponding to zero-based decimal numbers, prefixed by d. For example, the database administrator can create 1000 subdirectories named d0, d1, ... d999, and set PLSQL_NATIVE_LIBRARY_SUBDIR_COUNT to 1000.

PLSQL_NATIVE_LINKER

| | |
|------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Parameter type | String |
| Syntax | PLSQL_NATIVE_LINKER = <i>pathname</i> |
| Default value | There is no default value. |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SYSTEM |
| Range of values | Any valid path name |

PLSQL_NATIVE_LINKER specifies the full path name of a linker such as ld in UNIX or GNU ld which is used to link the object file into a shared object or DLL.

`PLSQL_NATIVE_LINKER` is optional. The platform-specific make file that is shipped for each platform contains a default value for this parameter. If a value is specified for this parameter, it will override the default value in the make file.

PLSQL_NATIVE_MAKE_FILE_NAME

| | |
|------------------------|--|
| Parameter type | String |
| Syntax | <code>PLSQL_NATIVE_MAKE_FILE_NAME = <i>pathname</i></code> |
| Default value | There is no default value. |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SYSTEM |
| Range of values | Any valid path name |

`PLSQL_NATIVE_MAKE_FILE_NAME` specifies the full path name of a make file. The make utility (specified by `PLSQL_NATIVE_MAKE_UTILITY`) uses this make file to generate the shared object or DLL.

A port-specific make file is shipped for each platform that contains the rules for the make utility to generate DLLs on that platform.

PLSQL_NATIVE_MAKE_UTILITY

| | |
|------------------------|--|
| Parameter type | String |
| Syntax | <code>PLSQL_NATIVE_MAKE_UTILITY = <i>pathname</i></code> |
| Default value | There is no default value. |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SYSTEM |
| Range of values | Any valid path name |

`PLSQL_NATIVE_MAKE_UTILITY` specifies the full path name of a make utility such as make in UNIX or gmake (GNU make). The make utility is needed to generate the shared object or DLL from the generated C source.

PLSQL_V2_COMPATIBILITY

| | |
|-----------------|--------------------------------------|
| Parameter type | Boolean |
| Default value | false |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SESSION, ALTER SYSTEM |
| Range of values | true false |

PL/SQL Version 2 allows some abnormal behavior that Version 8 disallows. If you want to retain that behavior for backward compatibility, set `PLSQL_V2_COMPATIBILITY` to `true`. If you set it to `false`, PL/SQL Version 8 behavior is enforced and Version 2 behavior is not allowed.

See Also: *PL/SQL User's Guide and Reference* for a description of the differences between PL/SQL Version 2 and Version 8, and for more information on setting this parameter

PRE_PAGE_SGA

| | |
|-----------------|--------------|
| Parameter type | Boolean |
| Default value | false |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | true false |

`PRE_PAGE_SGA` determines whether Oracle reads the entire SGA into memory at instance startup. Operating system page table entries are then prebuilt for each page of the SGA. This setting can increase the amount of time necessary for instance startup, but it is likely to decrease the amount of time necessary for Oracle to reach its full performance capacity after startup.

Note: This setting does not prevent your operating system from paging or swapping the SGA after it is initially read into memory.

`PRE_PAGE_SGA` can increase the process startup duration, because every process that starts must access every page in the SGA. The cost of this strategy is fixed; however, you might simply determine that 20,000 pages must be touched every

time a process starts. This approach can be useful with some applications, but not with all applications. Overhead can be significant if your system frequently creates and destroys processes by, for example, continually logging on and logging off.

The advantage that `PRE_PAGE_SGA` can afford depends on page size. For example, if the SGA is 80 MB in size and the page size is 4 KB, then 20,000 pages must be touched to refresh the SGA ($80,000/4 = 20,000$).

If the system permits you to set a 4 MB page size, then only 20 pages must be touched to refresh the SGA ($80,000/4,000 = 20$). The page size is operating system-specific and generally cannot be changed. Some operating systems, however, have a special implementation for shared memory whereby you can change the page size.

PROCESSES

| | |
|------------------------------------|--|
| Parameter type | Integer |
| Default value | Derived from <code>PARALLEL_MAX_SERVERS</code> |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | 6 to operating system-dependent |
| Oracle9i Real Application Clusters | Multiple instances can have different values. |

`PROCESSES` specifies the maximum number of operating system user processes that can simultaneously connect to Oracle. Its value should allow for all background processes such as locks, job queue processes, and parallel execution processes.

The default values of the `SESSIONS` and `TRANSACTIONS` parameters are derived from this parameter. Therefore, if you change the value of `PROCESSES`, you should evaluate whether to adjust the values of those derived parameters.

See Also:

- *Oracle9i Database Administrator's Guide* for information on setting this parameter in exclusive mode
- *Oracle9i Real Application Clusters Administration* for information on setting this parameter in an Oracle9i Real Application Clusters environment
- Your operating system-specific Oracle documentation for the range of values

QUERY_REWRITE_ENABLED

| | |
|------------------------------------|---|
| Parameter type | Boolean |
| Default value | false |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SESSION, ALTER SYSTEM |
| Range of values | true false |
| Oracle9i Real Application Clusters | Multiple instances can have different values. |

QUERY_REWRITE_ENABLED allows you to enable or disable query rewriting globally for the database.

To take advantage of query rewrite for a particular materialized view, you must enable query rewrite for that materialized view, and you must enable cost-based optimization.

See Also:

- *Oracle9i Data Warehousing Guide* for information on query rewrite of materialized views
- *Oracle9i Database Performance Guide and Reference* and "[OPTIMIZER_MODE](#)" on page 1-118 for information on cost-based optimization

QUERY_REWRITE_INTEGRITY

| | |
|-------------------------------------|---|
| Parameter type | String |
| Syntax | QUERY_REWRITE_INTEGRITY = {stale_tolerated trusted enforced} |
| Default value | enforced |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SESSION, ALTER SYSTEM |
| Oracle9i/ Real Application Clusters | Multiple instances can have different values. |

QUERY_REWRITE_INTEGRITY determines the degree to which Oracle must enforce query rewriting. At the safest level, Oracle does not use query rewrite transformations that rely on unenforced relationships.

Values:

- ENFORCED
Oracle enforces and guarantees consistency and integrity.
- TRUSTED
Oracle allows rewrites using relationships that have been declared, but that are not enforced by Oracle.
- STALE_TOLERATED
Oracle allows rewrites using unenforced relationships. Materialized views are eligible for rewrite even if they are known to be inconsistent with the underlying detail data.

RDBMS_SERVER_DN

| | |
|-----------------|--|
| Parameter type | X.500 Distinguished Name |
| Default value | There is no default value. |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | All X.500 Distinguished Name format values |

RDBMS_SERVER_DN specifies the Distinguished Name (DN) of the Oracle server. It is used for retrieving Enterprise Roles from an enterprise directory service.

If you do not want to use a directory for enterprise user and privilege management, but prefer to use SSL authentication alone, do not set this parameter.

See Also: *Oracle Advanced Security Administrator's Guide* for more information on enterprise roles and the enterprise directory service

READ_ONLY_OPEN_DELAYED

| | |
|-----------------|--------------|
| Parameter type | Boolean |
| Default value | false |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | true false |

READ_ONLY_OPEN_DELAYED determines when datafiles in read-only tablespaces are accessed.

Values:

- true
The datafiles are accessed for the first time only when an attempt is made to read data stored within them.
- false
The datafiles are accessed at database open time.

You can use this parameter to speed up some operations (primarily opening the database) for very large databases when substantial portions of the database are stored in read-only tablespaces. Consider setting this parameter to true for such databases, especially if portions of the read-only data are stored on slow-access devices or hierarchical storage.

See Also: *Oracle9i Database Administrator's Guide* for information on the consequences of delaying access of datafiles in read-only tablespaces

RECOVERY_PARALLELISM

| | |
|-----------------|--|
| Parameter type | Integer |
| Default value | Operating system-dependent |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | Operating system-dependent, but cannot exceed PARALLEL_MAX_SERVERS |

RECOVERY_PARALLELISM specifies the number of processes to participate in instance or crash recovery. A value of 0 or 1 indicates that recovery is to be performed serially by one process.

See Also:

- *Oracle9i Database Performance Guide and Reference* for information on setting this parameter in exclusive mode
- *Oracle9i Real Application Clusters Administration* for information on setting this parameter in an Oracle9i Real Application Clusters environment

REMOTE_ARCHIVE_ENABLE

| | |
|-----------------|--------------|
| Parameter type | Boolean |
| Default value | true |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | true false |

REMOTE_ARCHIVE_ENABLE controls whether the archival of redo logs to remote destinations is permitted. The default is to allow archival to remote destinations.

REMOTE_DEPENDENCIES_MODE

| | |
|----------------|--------|
| Parameter type | String |
|----------------|--------|

| | |
|------------------------|--|
| Syntax | REMOTE_DEPENDENCIES_MODE = {TIMESTAMP SIGNATURE} |
| Default value | TIMESTAMP |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SESSION, ALTER SYSTEM |

REMOTE_DEPENDENCIES_MODE specifies how Oracle should handle dependencies upon remote PL/SQL stored procedures.

Values:

■ **TIMESTAMP**

The client running the procedure compares the timestamp recorded on the server-side procedure with the current timestamp of the local procedure and executes the procedure only if the timestamps match.

■ **SIGNATURE**

Oracle allows the procedure to execute as long as the signatures are considered safe. This setting allows client PL/SQL applications to be run without recompilation.

See Also: *Oracle9i Application Developer's Guide - Fundamentals* for information about the consequences of the settings of this parameter

REMOTE_LISTENER

| | |
|------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Parameter type | String |
| Syntax | REMOTE_LISTENER = <i>network_name</i> |
| Default value | There is no default value. |
| Parameter class | Static |

REMOTE_LISTENER specifies a network name that resolves to an address or address list of Oracle Net remote listeners (that is, listeners that are not running on the same machine as this instance). The address or address list is specified in the TNSNAMES.ORA file or other address repository as configured for your system.

See Also:

- *Oracle9i Database Concepts* for more information about instances, listener processes, and dispatcher processes
- *Oracle Net Services Administrator's Guide* and your operating system-specific Oracle documentation for more information about specifying network addresses for the protocols on your system

REMOTE_LOGIN_PASSWORDFILE

| | |
|------------------------------------|---|
| Parameter type | String |
| Syntax | REMOTE_LOGIN_PASSWORDFILE= {NONE SHARED EXCLUSIVE} |
| Default value | NONE |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Oracle9i Real Application Clusters | Multiple instances must have the same value. |

REMOTE_LOGIN_PASSWORDFILE specifies whether Oracle checks for a password file and how many databases can use the password file.

Values:

- NONE
Oracle ignores any password file. Therefore, privileged users must be authenticated by the operating system.
- SHARED
More than one database can use a password file. However, the only user recognized by the password file is SYS.
- EXCLUSIVE
The password file can be used by only one database and the password file can contain names other than SYS.

Note: This setting is required for Oracle9i Real Application Clusters

See Also: *Oracle9i Database Administrator's Guide* for more information about secure connections for privileged users

REMOTE_OS_AUTHENT

| | |
|------------------------|--------------|
| Parameter type | Boolean |
| Default value | false |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | true false |

REMOTE_OS_AUTHENT specifies whether remote clients will be authenticated with the value of the OS_AUTHENT_PREFIX parameter.

See Also:

- *Oracle Advanced Security Administrator's Guide* for more information on setting this parameter
- ["OS_AUTHENT_PREFIX"](#) on page 1-123

REMOTE_OS_ROLES

| | |
|------------------------|--------------|
| Parameter type | Boolean |
| Default value | false |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | true false |

REMOTE_OS_ROLES specifies whether operating system roles are allowed for remote clients. The default value, false, causes Oracle to identify and manage roles for remote clients.

See Also:

- *Oracle9i Database Administrator's Guide* for more information on setting this parameter
- ["OS_ROLES"](#) on page 1-124

REPLICATION_DEPENDENCY_TRACKING

| | |
|-----------------|--------------|
| Parameter type | Boolean |
| Default value | true |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | true false |

REPLICATION_DEPENDENCY_TRACKING enables or disables dependency tracking for read/write operations to the database. Dependency tracking is essential for propagating changes in a replicated environment in parallel.

Values:

- TRUE
Enables dependency tracking.
- FALSE
Allows read/write operations to the database to run faster, but does not produce dependency information for Oracle to perform parallel propagation.

Note: Do not specify this value unless you are sure that your application will not perform any read/write operations to the replicated tables.

See Also: *Oracle9i Replication* for more information on parallel propagation dependency tracking

RESOURCE_LIMIT

| | |
|------------------------|-----------------------|
| Parameter type | Boolean |
| Default value | false |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SYSTEM |
| Range of values | true false |

`RESOURCE_LIMIT` determines whether resource limits are enforced in database profiles.

Values:

- `TRUE`
Enables the enforcement of resource limits
- `FALSE`
Disables the enforcement of resource limits

See Also: *Oracle9i Database Administrator's Guide* and *Oracle9i SQL Reference* for more information on setting resource limits for profiles

RESOURCE_MANAGER_PLAN

| | |
|------------------------|--|
| Parameter type | String |
| Syntax | <code>RESOURCE_MANAGER_PLAN = plan_name</code> |
| Default value | There is no default value. |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SYSTEM |
| Range of values | Any valid character string |

`RESOURCE_MANAGER_PLAN` specifies the top-level resource plan to use for an instance. The resource manager will load this top-level plan along with all its descendants (subplans, directives, and consumer groups). If you do not specify this parameter, the resource manager is off by default.

You can change the setting of this parameter using the `ALTER SYSTEM` statement to turn on the resource manager (if it was previously off) or to turn off the resource manager or change the current plan (if it was previously on). If you specify a plan that does not exist in the data dictionary, Oracle returns an error message.

See Also:

- *Oracle9i Database Administrator's Guide* for information on resource plans
- *Oracle9i Supplied PL/SQL Packages and Types Reference* for information on the `DBMS_RESOURCE_MANAGER` and `DBMS_RESOURCE_MANAGER_PRIVS` packages
- ["DBA_RSRC_PLANS"](#) on page 2-154, ["DBA_RSRC_PLAN_DIRECTIVES"](#) on page 2-153, and the various `V$RSRC_` dynamic performance views in [Chapter 3](#) for information on existing resource plans

ROLLBACK_SEGMENTS

| | |
|------------------------------------|--|
| Parameter type | String |
| Syntax | <code>ROLLBACK_SEGMENTS = (segment_name [, segment_name] ...)</code> |
| Default value | The instance uses public rollback segments by default if you do not specify this parameter |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | Any rollback segment names listed in <code>DBA_ROLLBACK_SEGS</code> except <code>SYSTEM</code> |
| Oracle9i Real Application Clusters | Multiple instances must have different values. |

`ROLLBACK_SEGMENTS` allocates one or more rollback segments by name to this instance. If you set this parameter, the instance acquires all of the rollback segments named in this parameter, even if the number of rollback segments exceeds the minimum number required by the instance (calculated as `TRANSACTIONS / TRANSACTIONS_PER_ROLLBACK_SEGMENT`).

You cannot change the value of this parameter dynamically, but you can change its value and then restart the instance. Although this parameter usually specifies private rollback segments, it can also specify public rollback segments if they are not already in use.

To find the name, segment ID number, and status of each rollback segment in the database, query the data dictionary view `DBA_ROLLBACK_SEGS`.

When `UNDO_MANAGEMENT` is set to `AUTO`, `ROLLBACK_SEGMENTS` is ignored.

See Also:

- *Oracle9i Database Administrator's Guide* for more information on setting this parameter
- *Oracle9i Real Application Clusters Deployment and Performance* for information on setting this parameter in an Oracle9i Real Application Clusters environment
- ["DBA_ROLLBACK_SEGS"](#) on page 2-151

ROW_LOCKING

| | |
|---|--|
| Parameter type | String |
| Syntax | <code>ROW_LOCKING = {ALWAYS DEFAULT INTENT}</code> |
| Default value | ALWAYS |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Oracle9i Real Application Clusters | You must set this parameter for every instance, and multiple instances must have the same value. |

`ROW_LOCKING` specifies whether row locks are acquired during `UPDATE` operations.

Values:

- `ALWAYS` and `DEFAULT`

Row locks are acquired. Table locks are not acquired.

- `INTENT`

In addition to row locks, restricted table-level locks are acquired during `UPDATE` operations.

The acquisition of table-level locks is a way to ensure data concurrency. However, Oracle Corporation recommends that you use the SQL statement `LOCK TABLE` for that purpose rather than changing the setting of this parameter from its default setting of `ALWAYS`.

SERIAL_REUSE

| | |
|-----------------|--|
| Parameter type | String |
| Syntax | <code>SERIAL_REUSE =</code> <code>{DISABLE SELECT DML PLSQL ALL}</code> |
| Default value | <code>DISABLE</code> |
| Parameter class | Static |

`SERIAL_REUSE` specifies which types of cursors make use of the serial-reusable memory feature. This feature allocates private cursor memory in the SGA so that it can be reused (serially, not concurrently) by sessions executing the same cursor.

Values:

- `DISABLE`
Disables the option for all SQL statement types. This value overrides any other values included in the list.
- `SELECT`
Enables the option for `SELECT` statements.
- `DML`
Enables the option for `DML` statements.
- `PLSQL`
Currently has no effect (although `PLSQL` packages do support the serial-reuse memory option using `PLSQL` pragmas).
- `ALL`
Enables the option for both `DML` and `SELECT` statements. Equivalent to setting `SELECT`, `DML`, and `PLSQL`.

Note: If `CURSOR_SPACE_FOR_TIME` is set to `TRUE`, then the value of `SERIAL_REUSE` is ignored and treated as if it were set to `DISABLE`.

See Also: ["CURSOR_SPACE_FOR_TIME"](#) on page 1-32

SERVICE_NAMES

| | |
|-----------------|--|
| Parameter type | String |
| Syntax | <code>SERVICE_NAMES =</code> <code>db_service_name [, db_service_name [, ...]]</code> |
| Default value | <code>DB_NAME.DB_DOMAIN</code> if defined |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: <code>ALTER SYSTEM</code> |
| Range of values | Any ASCII string or comma-separated list of string names |

`SERVICE_NAMES` specifies one or more names for the database service to which this instance connects. You can specify multiple service names in order to distinguish among different uses of the same database.

For example:

```
SERVICE_NAMES = sales.acme.com, widgetsales.acme.com
```

You can also use service names to identify a single service that is available from two different databases through the use of replication.

In an Oracle9i Real Application Clusters environment, you must set this parameter for every instance.

If you do not qualify the names in this parameter with a domain, Oracle qualifies them with the value of the `DB_DOMAIN` parameter. If `DB_DOMAIN` is not specified, Oracle uses the domain of your local database as it currently exists in the data dictionary.

See Also:

- *Oracle Net Services Administrator's Guide* for more information on this parameter and its settings
- ["DB_DOMAIN"](#) on page 1-39

SESSION_CACHED_CURSORS

| | |
|---|---|
| Parameter type | Integer |
| Default value | 0 |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SESSION |
| Range of values | 0 to operating system-dependent |
| Oracle9i Real Application Clusters | Multiple instances can have different values. |

`SESSION_CACHED_CURSORS` lets you specify the number of session cursors to cache. Repeated parse calls of the same SQL statement cause the session cursor for that statement to be moved into the session cursor cache. Subsequent parse calls will find the cursor in the cache and do not need to reopen the cursor. Oracle uses a least recently used algorithm to remove entries in the session cursor cache to make room for new entries when needed.

See Also: *Oracle9i Database Performance Guide and Reference* for more information on setting this parameter and its uses

SESSION_MAX_OPEN_FILES

| | |
|------------------------|---|
| Parameter type | Integer |
| Default value | 10 |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | 1 to either 50 or the value of <code>MAX_OPEN_FILES</code> defined at the operating system level, whichever is less |

`SESSION_MAX_OPEN_FILES` specifies the maximum number of BFILES that can be opened in any session. Once this number is reached, subsequent attempts to open

more files in the session by using `DBMS_LOB.FILEOPEN()` or `OCILOBFileOpen()` will fail. The maximum value for this parameter depends on the equivalent parameter defined for the underlying operating system.

See Also:

- *Oracle9i Application Developer's Guide - Large Objects (LOBs)* for information on LOBs in general and BFILEs in particular
- *Oracle9i Supplied PL/SQL Packages and Types Reference* for information on the `DBMS_LOB.FILEOPEN()` procedure
- *Oracle Call Interface Programmer's Guide* for information on the `OCILOBFileOpen()` procedure

SESSIONS

| | |
|------------------------|---|
| Parameter type | Integer |
| Default value | Derived: $(1.1 * \text{PROCESSES}) + 5$ |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | 1 to 2^{31} |

`SESSIONS` specifies the maximum number of sessions that can be created in the system. Because every login requires a session, this parameter effectively determines the maximum number of concurrent users in the system. You should always set this parameter explicitly to a value equivalent to your estimate of the maximum number of concurrent users, plus the number of background processes, plus approximately 10% for recursive sessions.

Oracle uses the default value of this parameter as its minimum. Values between 1 and the default do not trigger errors, but Oracle ignores them and uses the default instead.

The default values of the `ENQUEUE_RESOURCES` and `TRANSACTIONS` parameters are derived from `SESSIONS`. Therefore, if you increase the value of `SESSIONS`, you should consider whether to adjust the values of `ENQUEUE_RESOURCES` and `TRANSACTIONS` as well.

In a shared server environment, the value of `PROCESSES` can be quite small. Therefore, Oracle Corporation recommends that you adjust the value of `SESSIONS` to approximately $1.1 * \text{total number of connections}$.

See Also:

- *Oracle9i Database Concepts* for more information on memory structures and processes
- ["ENQUEUE_RESOURCES"](#) on page 1-54 and ["TRANSACTIONS"](#) on page 1-170

SGA_MAX_SIZE

| | |
|-----------------|---|
| Parameter type | Big integer |
| Syntax | <code>SGA_MAX_SIZE = integer [K M G]</code> |
| Default value | Initial size of SGA at startup, dependent on the sizes of different pools in the SGA, such as buffer cache, shared pool, large pool, and so on. |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | 0 to operating system-dependent |

`SGA_MAX_SIZE` specifies the maximum size of SGA for the lifetime of the instance.

SHADOW_CORE_DUMP

| | |
|-----------------|--|
| Parameter type | String |
| Syntax | <code>SHADOW_CORE_DUMP = {PARTIAL FULL}</code> |
| Default value | <code>PARTIAL</code> |
| Parameter class | Static |

`SHADOW_CORE_DUMP` is primarily a UNIX parameter and is not useful on other platforms. It specifies whether Oracle includes the SGA in the core file for foreground (client) processes.

Values:

- `PARTIAL`

The SGA is not included in the core dump

- FULL

The SGA is included in the core dump

See Also: ["BACKGROUND_CORE_DUMP"](#) on page 1-18

SHARED_MEMORY_ADDRESS

| | |
|-----------------|---------|
| Parameter type | Integer |
| Default value | 0 |
| Parameter class | Static |

SHARED_MEMORY_ADDRESS and HI_SHARED_MEMORY_ADDRESS specify the starting address at runtime of the system global area (SGA). This parameter is ignored on the many platforms that specify the SGA's starting address at linktime.

Use this parameter to specify the entire address on 32-bit platforms and to specify the low-order 32 bits of a 64-bit address on 64-bit platforms. Use HI_SHARED_MEMORY_ADDRESS to specify the high-order 32 bits of a 64-bit address on 64-bit platforms. If both parameters are 0 or unspecified, the SGA address defaults to a platform-specific location.

See Also: ["HI_SHARED_MEMORY_ADDRESS"](#) on page 1-63

SHARED_POOL_RESERVED_SIZE

| | |
|-----------------|---|
| Parameter type | Big integer |
| Syntax | SHARED_POOL_RESERVED_SIZE = <i>integer</i> [K M G] |
| Default value | 5% of the value of SHARED_POOL_SIZE |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | Minimum: value of SHARED_POOL_RESERVED_MIN_ALLOC Maximum: one half of the value of SHARED_POOL_SIZE (in bytes) |

`SHARED_POOL_RESERVED_SIZE` specifies (in bytes) the shared pool space that is reserved for large contiguous requests for shared pool memory. You can use this parameter to avoid performance degradation in the shared pool in situations where pool fragmentation forces Oracle to search for and free chunks of unused pool to satisfy the current request.

See Also:

- *Oracle9i Database Performance Guide and Reference* for more information on setting this parameter
- ["SHARED_POOL_SIZE"](#) on page 1-156

SHARED_POOL_SIZE

| | |
|-----------------|---|
| Parameter type | Big integer |
| Syntax | <code>SHARED_POOL_SIZE = integer [K M G]</code> |
| Default value | If 64-bit, 64 MB, otherwise 16 MB |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SYSTEM |
| Range of values | 300 KB to operating system-dependent |

`SHARED_POOL_SIZE` specifies (in bytes) the size of the shared pool. The shared pool contains shared cursors, stored procedures, control structures, and other structures. If you set `PARALLEL_AUTOMATIC_TUNING` to `false`, Oracle also allocates parallel execution message buffers from the shared pool. Larger values improve performance in multi-user systems. Smaller values use less memory.

You can monitor utilization of the shared pool by querying the view `V$SGASTAT`.

See Also:

- *Oracle9i Database Performance Guide and Reference* for more information on setting this parameter
- *Oracle9i Database Migration* for information on parallel execution message buffers
- ["PARALLEL_AUTOMATIC_TUNING"](#) on page 1-126 and ["V\\$SGASTAT"](#) on page 3-118

SHARED_SERVER_SESSIONS

| | |
|------------------------|--|
| Parameter type | Integer |
| Default value | Derived: the lesser of <code>CIRCUITS</code> and <code>SESSIONS</code> - 5 |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | 0 to <code>SESSIONS</code> - 5 |

`SHARED_SERVER_SESSIONS` specifies the total number of shared server architecture user sessions to allow. Setting this parameter enables you to reserve user sessions for dedicated servers.

See Also: *Oracle9i Database Concepts* for more information on memory structures and processes

SHARED_SERVERS

| | |
|------------------------|--|
| Parameter type | Integer |
| Default value | If you are using shared server architecture, then the value is 1. If you are not using shared server architecture, then the value is 0. |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: <code>ALTER SYSTEM</code> |
| Range of values | Operating system-dependent |

`SHARED_SERVERS` specifies the number of server processes that you want to create when an instance is started up. If system load decreases, this minimum number of servers is maintained. Therefore, you should take care not to set `SHARED_SERVERS` too high at system startup.

See Also: *Oracle9i Database Performance Guide and Reference* for more information on setting this parameter

SORT_AREA_RETAINED_SIZE

| | |
|-----------------------|---------|
| Parameter type | Integer |
|-----------------------|---------|

| | |
|-----------------|---|
| Default value | Derived from SORT_AREA_SIZE |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SESSION, ALTER SYSTEM ... DEFERRED |
| Range of values | From the value equivalent of two database blocks to the value of SORT_AREA_SIZE |

Note: Oracle does not recommend using the SORT_AREA_RETAINED_SIZE parameter unless the instance is configured with the shared server option. Oracle recommends that you enable automatic sizing of SQL working areas by setting PGA_AGGREGATE_TARGET instead. SORT_AREA_RETAINED_SIZE is retained for backward compatibility.

SORT_AREA_RETAINED_SIZE specifies (in bytes) the maximum amount of the user global area (UGA) memory retained after a sort run completes. The retained size controls the size of the read buffer, which Oracle uses to maintain a portion of the sort in memory. This memory is released back to the UGA, not to the operating system, after the last row is fetched from the sort space.

Oracle may allocate multiple sort spaces of this size for each query. Usually, only one or two sorts occur at one time, even for complex queries. In some cases, however, additional concurrent sorts are required, and each sort keeps its own memory area. If the shared server is used, allocation is to the SGA until the value in SORT_AREA_RETAINED_SIZE is reached. The difference between SORT_AREA_RETAINED_SIZE and SORT_AREA_SIZE is allocated to the PGA.

Note: The default value as reflected in the V\$PARAMETER dynamic performance view is 0. However, if you do not explicitly set this parameter, Oracle actually uses the value of the SORT_AREA_SIZE parameter.

See Also:

- *Oracle9i Database Performance Guide and Reference* for more information on setting this parameter
- ["SORT_AREA_SIZE"](#) on page 1-159

SORT_AREA_SIZE

| | |
|------------------------|---|
| Parameter type | Integer |
| Default value | 65536 |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SESSION, ALTER SYSTEM ... DEFERRED |
| Range of values | Minimum: the value equivalent of six database blocks Maximum: operating system-dependent |

Note: Oracle does not recommend using the SORT_AREA_SIZE parameter unless the instance is configured with the shared server option. Oracle recommends that you enable automatic sizing of SQL working areas by setting PGA_AGGREGATE_TARGET instead. SORT_AREA_SIZE is retained for backward compatibility.

SORT_AREA_SIZE specifies in bytes the maximum amount of memory Oracle will use for a sort. After the sort is complete, but before the rows are returned, Oracle releases all of the memory allocated for the sort, except the amount specified by the SORT_AREA_RETAINED_SIZE parameter. After the last row is returned, Oracle releases the remainder of the memory.

Increasing SORT_AREA_SIZE size improves the efficiency of large sorts. Multiple allocations never occur. Only one memory area of SORT_AREA_SIZE exists for each user process at any time.

SORT_AREA_SIZE is also used for inserts and updates to bitmap indexes. Setting this value appropriately results in a bitmap segment being updated only once for each DML operation, even if more than one row in that segment changes.

Larger values of SORT_AREA_SIZE permit more sorts to be performed in memory. If more space is required to complete the sort than will fit into the memory provided, then temporary segments on disk are used to hold the intermediate sort runs.

The default is adequate for most OLTP operations. You might want to adjust this parameter for decision support systems, batch jobs, or large CREATE INDEX operations.

See Also:

- *Oracle9i Database Performance Guide and Reference* for more information on setting this parameter
- *Oracle9i Database Concepts* for information on logical storage structures such as sort areas
- Your operating system-specific Oracle documentation for the default value on your system
- ["SORT_AREA_RETAINED_SIZE"](#) on page 1-157

SPFILE

| | |
|------------------------------------|--|
| Parameter type | String |
| Syntax | SPFILE = <i>spfile_name</i> |
| Default value | ORACLE_HOME/dbs/spfile.ora |
| Parameter class | Static (auto-resource) |
| Range of values | Any valid SPFILE |
| Oracle9i Real Application Clusters | Multiple instances should have the same value. |

The value of this parameter is the name of the current server parameter file (SPFILE) in use. This parameter can be defined in a client side PFILE to indicate the name of the server parameter file to use.

When the default server parameter file is used by the server, the value of SPFILE is internally set by the server.

The SPFILE resides in the ORACLE_HOME\dbs directory; however, users can place it anywhere on their machine as long as it is specified in a PFILE.

See Also: *Oracle9i Database Performance Guide and Reference* for more information about creating the SPFILE

SQL92_SECURITY

| | |
|------------------------|--------------|
| Parameter type | Boolean |
| Default value | false |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | true false |

The SQL92 standards specify that security administrators should be able to require that users have `SELECT` privilege on a table when executing an `UPDATE` or `DELETE` statement that references table column values in a `WHERE` or `SET` clause. `SQL92_SECURITY` lets you specify whether users must have been granted the `SELECT` object privilege in order to execute such `UPDATE` or `DELETE` statements.

SQL_TRACE

| | |
|------------------------|--------------|
| Parameter type | Boolean |
| Default value | false |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | true false |

The value of `SQL_TRACE` disables or enables the SQL trace facility. Setting this parameter to `true` provides information on tuning that you can use to improve performance. You can change the value using the `DBMS_SYSTEM` package.

Caution: Using this initialization parameter to enable the SQL trace facility for the entire instance can have a severe performance impact. Enable the facility for specific sessions using the `ALTER SESSION` statement. If you must enable the facility on an entire production environment, you can minimize performance impact by:

- Maintaining at least 25% idle CPU capacity
 - Maintaining adequate disk space for the `USER_DUMP_DEST` location
 - Striping disk space over sufficient disks
-

Note: If you change the value of this parameter by using the `ALTER SESSION SET SQL_TRACE` statement, the resulting change will not be reflected in the `V$PARAMETER` dynamic performance view. Therefore, this parameter is not considered dynamic. For information on the `ALTER SESSION` statement, see *Oracle9i SQL Reference*.

See Also: *Oracle9i Database Performance Guide and Reference* for more information about performance diagnostic tools

STANDBY_ARCHIVE_DEST

| | |
|-----------------|---|
| Parameter type | String |
| Syntax | <code>STANDBY_ARCHIVE_DEST = filespec</code> |
| Default value | Operating system-specific |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: <code>ALTER SYSTEM</code> |
| Range of values | A valid path or device name other than <code>RAW</code> |

`STANDBY_ARCHIVE_DEST` is relevant only for a standby database in managed recovery mode. It specifies the location of archive logs arriving from a primary database. Oracle uses `STANDBY_ARCHIVE_DEST` and `LOG_ARCHIVE_FORMAT` to

fabricate the fully qualified standby log filenames and stores the filenames in the standby control file.

You can see the value of this parameter by querying the `V$ARCHIVE_DEST` data dictionary view.

See Also:

- *Oracle9i Data Guard Concepts and Administration* for more information on setting this parameter and on managed recovery mode in general
- ["LOG_ARCHIVE_DEST"](#) on page 1-74 and ["V\\$ARCHIVE_DEST"](#) on page 3-5

STANDBY_FILE_MANAGEMENT

| | |
|------------------------|--|
| Parameter type | String |
| Syntax | <code>STANDBY_FILE_MANAGEMENT = {MANUAL AUTO}</code> |
| Default value | MANUAL |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SYSTEM |

`STANDBY_FILE_MANAGEMENT` enables automatic standby file management. When set to `AUTO`, file management operations such as adding and deleting files are done automatically by Oracle on the standby database.

STANDBY_PRESERVES_NAMES

| | |
|------------------------|-----------------------|
| Parameter type | Boolean |
| Default value | false |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SYSTEM |
| Range of values | true false |

STANDBY_PRESERVES_NAMES indicates whether or not the file names on the standby database are the same as those on the primary database.

When STANDBY_PRESERVES_NAMES is set to true the standby database, the file-add redo causes an empty file of the same name to be created on the standby system. Operations that add, drop, or rename files on the standby database are disallowed.

If the standby database is on the same system as the primary database, and you specify true, be careful not to overwrite the primary database files.

STAR_TRANSFORMATION_ENABLED

| | |
|-----------------|--|
| Parameter type | String |
| Syntax | STAR_TRANSFORMATION_ENABLED = {TEMP_DISABLE TRUE FALSE} |
| Default value | FALSE |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SESSION |

STAR_TRANSFORMATION_ENABLED determines whether a cost-based query transformation will be applied to star queries.

Values:

- TRUE
The optimizer will consider performing a cost-based query transformation on the star query.
- FALSE
The transformation will not be applied.
- TEMP_DISABLE
The optimizer will consider performing a cost-based query transformation on the star query but will not use temporary tables in the star transformation.

See Also:

- *Oracle9i Database Concepts* for information on star queries
- *Oracle9i Database Performance Guide and Reference* for information on enabling star query

TAPE_ASYNC_IO

| | |
|------------------------|--------------|
| Parameter type | Boolean |
| Default value | true |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | true false |

TAPE_ASYNC_IO controls whether I/O to sequential devices (for example, backup or restore of Oracle data to or from tape) is asynchronous—that is, whether parallel server processes can overlap I/O requests with CPU processing during table scans. If your platform supports asynchronous I/O to sequential devices, Oracle Corporation recommends that you leave this parameter set to its default. However, if the asynchronous I/O implementation is not stable, you can set TAPE_ASYNC_IO to false to disable asynchronous I/O. If your platform does not support asynchronous I/O to sequential devices, this parameter has no effect.

See Also: *Oracle9i Database Performance Guide and Reference* for more information on asynchronous I/O and on setting this parameter

THREAD

| | |
|---|--|
| Parameter type | Integer |
| Default value | 0 |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | 0 to the maximum number of enabled threads |
| Oracle9i Real Application Clusters | If specified, multiple instances must have different values. |

THREAD is an Oracle9i Real Application Clusters parameter that specifies the number of the redo thread to be used by an instance.

When you create a database, Oracle creates and enables thread 1 as a **public thread** (one that can be used by any instance). You must create and enable subsequent threads using the ADD LOGFILE THREAD clause and ENABLE THREAD clause of the ALTER DATABASE statement. The number of threads you create is limited by the MAXINSTANCES parameter specified in the CREATE DATABASE statement.

In exclusive mode, thread 1 is the default thread. However, you can specify THREAD for an instance running in exclusive mode if you want to use the redo log files in a thread other than thread 1.

In parallel mode, you can specify any available redo thread number, as long as that thread number is enabled and is not in use by another instance.

A value of zero specifies that this instance can use any available, enabled public thread.

See Also: *Oracle9i Real Application Clusters Administration* and *Oracle9i SQL Reference*

TIMED_OS_STATISTICS

| | |
|-----------------|--------------------------------------|
| Parameter type | Integer |
| Default value | 0 |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SESSION, ALTER SYSTEM |
| Range of values | Unlimited |

TIMED_OS_STATISTICS specifies the interval (in seconds) at which Oracle collects operating system statistics when a request is made from the client to the server or when a request completes.

- On dedicated servers, Oracle collects operating system statistics at user logon and after each subsequent client invocation through the OCI into the Oracle server as a remote procedure call message.
- On shared servers, Oracle collects statistics when client calls to Oracle are processed.

A value of zero specifies that operating system statistics are not gathered. To collect statistics, set a value meaningful for your application and site needs.

Note: Gathering operating system statistics is very expensive. Oracle Corporation recommends that you set this parameter in an `ALTER SYSTEM` statement rather than in the initialization parameter file, and that you reset the value to zero as soon as the needed statistics have been gathered.

TIMED_STATISTICS

| | |
|-----------------|--------------------------------------|
| Parameter type | Boolean |
| Default value | false |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SESSION, ALTER SYSTEM |
| Range of values | true false |

`TIMED_STATISTICS` specifies whether or not statistics related to time are collected.

Values:

- `true`
The statistics are collected and stored in trace files or displayed in the `V$SESSTATS` and `V$SYSSTATS` dynamic performance views.
- `false`
The value of all time-related statistics is set to zero. This setting lets Oracle avoid the overhead of requesting the time from the operating system. Normally, `TIMED_STATISTICS` should be `false`.

On some systems with very fast timer access, Oracle might enable timing even if this parameter is set to `false`. On these systems, setting the parameter to `true` can sometimes produce more accurate statistics for long-running operations.

See Also:

- *Oracle9i Database Performance Guide and Reference* for more information on setting this parameter and on performance diagnostic tools in general
- [Appendix C, "Statistics Descriptions"](#) indicates which statistics depend on the setting of this parameter.

TRACE_ENABLED

| | |
|------------------------------------|--|
| Parameter type | Boolean |
| Default value | true |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SYSTEM |
| Range of values | true false |
| Oracle9i Real Application Clusters | You must set this parameter for every instance, and multiple instances must have the same value. |

TRACE_ENABLED controls tracing of the execution history, or code path, of Oracle. Oracle Support Services uses this information for debugging.

When TRACE_ENABLED is set to true, Oracle records information in specific files when errors occur. See *Oracle9i Real Application Clusters Deployment and Performance* for the types of files and the default destination directories in which Oracle records the execution history.

Oracle records this information for all instances, even if only one instance terminates. This allows Oracle to retain diagnostics for the entire cluster.

Although the overhead incurred from this processing is not excessive, you can improve performance by setting TRACE_ENABLED to false. You might do this, for example, to meet high-end benchmark requirements. However, if you leave this parameter set to false, you may lose valuable diagnostic information. Therefore, always set TRACE_ENABLED to true to trace system problems and to reduce diagnostic efforts in the event of unexplained instance failures.

TRACEFILE_IDENTIFIER

| | |
|-----------------|---|
| Parameter type | String |
| Syntax | TRACEFILE_IDENTIFIER = " <i>traceid</i> " |
| Default value | There is no default value. |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SESSION |
| Range of values | Any characters that can occur as part of a file name on the customer platform |

TRACEFILE_IDENTIFIER specifies a custom identifier that becomes part of the Oracle Trace file name. Such a custom identifier is used to identify a trace file simply from its name and without having to open it or view its contents.

Each time this parameter is dynamically modified, the next trace dump will be written to a trace file which has the new parameter value embedded in its name. Trace file continuity information is automatically added to both the old and new trace files to indicate that these trace files belong to the same process.

This parameter can only be used to change the name of the foreground process' trace file; the background processes continue to have their trace files named in the regular format. For foreground processes, the TRACEID column of the V\$PROCESS view contains the current value of the TRACEFILE_IDENTIFIER parameter. When this parameter value is set, the trace file name has the following format:

sid_ora_pid_traceid.trc

In this example, *sid* is the oracle instance ID, *pid* is the process ID, and *traceid* is the value of the TRACEFILE_IDENTIFIER parameter.

See Also: This parameter is not supported on all operating systems. See your operating system-specific Oracle documentation for more information.

TRANSACTION_AUDITING

| | |
|----------------|---------|
| Parameter type | Boolean |
| Default value | true |

| | |
|-----------------|------------------------------------|
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SYSTEM ... DEFERRED |
| Range of values | true false |

If TRANSACTION_AUDITING is true, Oracle generates a special redo record that contains the user logon name, username, the session ID, some operating system information, and client information. For each successive transaction, Oracle generates a record that contains only the session ID. These subsequent records link back to the first record, which also contains the session ID.

These records might be useful if you are using a redo log analysis tool. You can access the records by dumping the redo log.

If TRANSACTION_AUDITING is false, no redo record will be generated.

TRANSACTIONS

| | |
|-------------------------------------|---|
| Parameter type | Integer |
| Default value | Derived: (1.1 * SESSIONS) |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | 4 to 2 ³² |
| Oracle9i/ Real Application Clusters | Multiple instances can have different values. |

TRANSACTIONS specifies the maximum number of concurrent transactions. Greater values increase the size of the SGA and can increase the number of rollback segments allocated. The default value is greater than SESSIONS (and, in turn, PROCESSES) to allow for recursive transactions.

- See Also:**
- *Oracle9i Database Administrator's Guide* for information on setting this parameter
 - *Oracle9i Real Application Clusters Administration* for the relationship of this parameter to the number of rollback segments

TRANSACTIONS_PER_ROLLBACK_SEGMENT

| | |
|------------------------------------|---|
| Parameter type | Integer |
| Default value | 5 |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | 1 to operating system-dependent |
| Oracle9i Real Application Clusters | Multiple instances can have different values. |

TRANSACTIONS_PER_ROLLBACK_SEGMENT specifies the number of concurrent transactions you expect each rollback segment to have to handle. The minimum number of rollback segments acquired at startup is TRANSACTIONS divided by the value for this parameter. For example, if TRANSACTIONS is 101 and this parameter is 10, then the minimum number of rollback segments acquired would be the ratio 101/10, rounded up to 11.

You can acquire more rollback segments by naming them in the parameter ROLLBACK_SEGMENTS.

See Also:

- *Oracle9i Database Administrator's Guide* for information on setting this parameter.
- *Oracle9i Real Application Clusters Administration* for how Oracle acquires rollback segments.
- Your operating system-specific Oracle documentation for the range of values for this parameter.

UNDO_MANAGEMENT

| | |
|-----------------|-----------------------------------|
| Parameter type | String |
| Syntax | UNDO_MANAGEMENT = {MANUAL AUTO} |
| Default value | MANUAL |
| Parameter class | Static |

| | |
|--|--|
| Oracle9i/ Real Application Clusters | Multiple instances must have the same value. |
|--|--|

UNDO_MANAGEMENT specifies which undo space management mode the system should use. When set to AUTO, the instance starts in automatic undo management mode. In manual undo management mode, undo space is allocated externally as rollback segments.

UNDO_RETENTION

| | |
|--|--|
| Parameter type | Integer |
| Default value | 900 |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SYSTEM |
| Range of values | 0 to 2 ³² -1 (max value represented by 32 bits) |
| Oracle9i/ Real Application Clusters | Multiple instances must have the same value. |

UNDO_RETENTION specifies (in seconds) the amount of committed undo information to retain in the database. You can use UNDO_RETENTION to satisfy queries that require old undo information to rollback changes to produce older images of data blocks. You can set the value at instance startup.

The UNDO_RETENTION parameter works best if the current undo tablespace has enough space for the active transactions. If an active transaction needs undo space and the undo tablespace does not have any free space, then the system will start reusing undo space that would have been retained. This may cause long queries to fail. Be sure to allocate enough space in the undo tablespace to satisfy the space requirement for the current setting of this parameter.

See Also: *Oracle9i SQL Reference* for more information about the
ALTER SYSTEM SET UNDO_RETENTION statement

UNDO_SUPPRESS_ERRORS

| | |
|------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Parameter type | Boolean |
| Default value | false |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SESSION, ALTER SYSTEM |
| Range of values | true false |

UNDO_SUPPRESS_ERRORS enables users to suppress errors while executing manual undo management mode operations (for example, ALTER ROLLBACK SEGMENT ONLINE) in automatic undo management mode. Setting this parameter enables users to use the undo tablespace feature before all application programs and scripts are converted to automatic undo management mode. For example, if you have a tool that uses SET TRANSACTION USE ROLLBACK SEGMENT statement, you can add the statement "ALTER SESSION SET UNDO_SUPPRESS_ERRORS = true" to the tool to suppress the ORA-30019 error.

If you want to run in automatic undo management mode, ensure that your tools or applications are updated to run in automatic undo management mode.

UNDO_TABLESPACE

| | |
|--|--|
| Parameter type | String |
| Syntax | UNDO_TABLESPACE = <i>undoname</i> |
| Default value | The first available undo tablespace in the database. |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SYSTEM |
| Range of values | Legal name of an existing undo tablespace |
| Oracle9i/ Real Application Clusters | Multiple instances can have different values. |

UNDO_TABLESPACE specifies the undo tablespace to be used when an instance starts up. If this parameter is specified when the instance is in manual undo management mode, an error will occur and startup will fail.

If the UNDO_TABLESPACE parameter is omitted, the first available undo tablespace in the database is chosen. If no undo tablespace is available, the instance will start

without an undo tablespace. In such cases, user transactions will be executed using the `SYSTEM` rollback segment. You should avoid running in this mode under normal circumstances.

You can replace an undo tablespace with another undo tablespace while the instance is running.

See Also: *Oracle9i SQL Reference.*

USE_INDIRECT_DATA_BUFFERS

| | |
|-----------------|--------------|
| Parameter type | Boolean |
| Default value | false |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | true false |

`USE_INDIRECT_DATA_BUFFERS` controls how the system global area (SGA) uses memory. It enables or disables the use of the extended buffer cache mechanism for 32-bit platforms that can support more than 4 GB of physical memory. On platforms that do not support this much physical memory, this parameter is ignored.

See Also:

- ["LOCK_SGA"](#) on page 1-73, ["SHARED_MEMORY_ADDRESS"](#) on page 1-155, and ["HI_SHARED_MEMORY_ADDRESS"](#) on page 1-63, which are other parameters that control how the SGA uses memory.
- *Oracle9i Database Concepts* for more information about the SGA.

USER_DUMP_DEST

| | |
|-----------------|--|
| Parameter type | String |
| Syntax | <code>USER_DUMP_DEST = {pathname directory}</code> |
| Default value | Operating system-dependent |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SYSTEM |

| | |
|------------------------|--|
| Range of values | Any valid local path, directory, or disk |
|------------------------|--|

USER_DUMP_DEST specifies the pathname for a directory where the server will write debugging trace files on behalf of a user process.

For example, this directory might be set as follows:

- On MS-DOS: C:\ORACLE\UTRC
- On UNIX: /oracle/utrc
- On VMS: DISK\$UR3:[ORACLE.UTRC]

See Also:

- *Oracle9i Database Performance Guide and Reference* for more information about the use of trace files
- Your operating system-specific Oracle documentation for the range of values

UTL_FILE_DIR

| | |
|------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Parameter type | String |
| Syntax | UTL_FILE_DIR = <i>pathname</i> |
| Default value | There is no default value. |
| Parameter class | Static |
| Range of values | Any valid directory path |

UTL_FILE_DIR lets you specify one or more directories that Oracle should use for PL/SQL file I/O. If you are specifying multiple directories, you must repeat the UTL_FILE_DIR parameter for each directory on separate lines of the initialization parameter file.

All users can read or write to all files specified by this parameter. Therefore all PL/SQL users must be trusted with the information in the directories specified by this parameter.

Note: If you list multiple values, all entries of this parameter must be on contiguous lines of the parameter file. If you separate them with other parameters, Oracle will read only the last (contiguous) lines.

WORKAREA_SIZE_POLICY

| | |
|-----------------|--|
| Parameter type | String |
| Syntax | WORKAREA_SIZE_POLICY = {AUTO MANUAL} |
| Default value | If PGA_AGGREGATE_TARGET is set, then AUTO If PGA_AGGREGATE_TARGET is not set, then MANUAL |
| Parameter class | Dynamic: ALTER SESSION, ALTER SYSTEM |

WORKAREA_SIZE_POLICY specifies the policy for sizing work areas. This parameter controls the mode in which working areas are tuned.

Values:

- AUTO
Work areas used by memory-intensive operators are sized automatically, based on the PGA memory used by the system, the target PGA memory set in PGA_AGGREGATE_TARGET, and the requirement of each individual operator. You can specify AUTO only when PGA_AGGREGATE_TARGET is defined.
- MANUAL
The sizing of work areas is manual and based on the values of the *_AREA_SIZE parameter corresponding to the operation (for example, a sort uses SORT_AREA_SIZE). Specifying MANUAL may result in sub-optimal performance and poor PGA memory utilization.

Static Data Dictionary Views

This chapter describes data dictionary tables and views. These tables and views are called **static**, because they change only when a change is made to the data dictionary (for example, when a new table is created or a user is granted new privileges). Oracle also maintains tables that monitor ongoing database activity. These **dynamic performance tables** are described in [Chapter 3, "Dynamic Performance \(V\\$\) Views"](#).

Data dictionary tables are not directly accessible, but you can access information in them through data dictionary views. To list the data dictionary views available to you, query the view `DICTIONARY`.

Many data dictionary tables have three corresponding views:

- An `ALL_` view displays all the information accessible to the current user, including information from the current user's schema as well as information from objects in other schemas, if the current user has access to those objects by way of grants of privileges or roles.
- A `DBA_` view displays all relevant information in the entire database. `DBA_` views are intended only for administrators. They can be accessed only by users with the `SELECT_ANY_TABLE` privilege. (This privilege is assigned to the `DBA` role when the system is initially installed.)
- A `USER_` view displays all the information from the schema of the current user. No special privileges are required to query these views.

The columns of the `ALL_`, `DBA_`, and `USER_` views corresponding to a single data dictionary table are usually nearly identical. Therefore, these views are described in full only once in this chapter, at their first occurrence alphabetically, and are listed without full descriptions at their other occurrences.

A number of data dictionary views are relevant only if you are using Oracle Replication. [Table 2–1](#) lists these views. The first part of the table lists views for which there are ALL_, DBA_, and USER_ variations. The second part of the table lists additional Oracle Replication views.

See Also: *Oracle9i Replication Management API Reference*

Table 2–1 Oracle Replication Data Dictionary Views

ALL_, DBA_, USER_ views:

| | | |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| ALL_REPAUDIT_ATTRIBUTE | DBA_REPAUDIT_ATTRIBUTE | USER_REPAUDIT_ATTRIBUTE |
| ALL_REPAUDIT_COLUMN | DBA_REPAUDIT_COLUMN | USER_REPAUDIT_COLUMN |
| ALL_REPCAT | DBA_REPCAT | USER_REPCAT |
| | DBA_REPCAT_EXCEPTIONS | |
| ALL_REPCAT_REFRESH_TEMPLATES | DBA_REPCAT_REFRESH_TEMPLATES | USER_REPCAT_REFRESH_TEMPLATES |
| ALL_REPCAT_TEMPLATE_OBJECTS | DBA_REPCAT_TEMPLATE_OBJECTS | USER_REPCAT_TEMPLATE_OBJECTS |
| ALL_REPCAT_TEMPLATE_PARMS | DBA_REPCAT_TEMPLATE_PARMS | USER_REPCAT_TEMPLATE_PARMS |
| ALL_REPCAT_TEMPLATE_SITES | DBA_REPCAT_TEMPLATE_SITES | USER_REPCAT_TEMPLATE_SITES |
| ALL_REPCAT_USER_AUTHORIZATIONS | DBA_REPCAT_USER_AUTHORIZATIONS | USER_REPCAT_USER_AUTHORIZATIONS |
| ALL_REPCAT_USER_PARM_VALUES | DBA_REPCAT_USER_PARM_VALUES | USER_REPCAT_USER_PARM_VALUES |
| ALL_REPCATLOG | DBA_REPCATLOG | USER_REPCATLOG |
| ALL_REPCOLUMN | DBA_REPCOLUMN | USER_REPCOLUMN |
| ALL_REPCOLUMN_GROUP | DBA_REPCOLUMN_GROUP | USER_REPCOLUMN_GROUP |
| ALL_REPCONFLICT | DBA_REPCONFLICT | USER_REPCONFLICT |
| ALL_REPDDL | DBA_REPDDL | USER_REPDDL |
| | DBA_REPEXTENSIONS | |
| ALL_REPFLAVOR_COLUMNS | DBA_REPFLAVOR_COLUMNS | USER_REPFLAVOR_COLUMNS |
| ALL_REPFLAVOR_OBJECTS | DBA_REPFLAVOR_OBJECTS | USER_REPFLAVOR_OBJECTS |
| ALL_REPFLAVORS | DBA_REPFLAVORS | USER_REPFLAVORS |
| ALL_REPGENERATED | DBA_REPGENERATED | USER_REPGENERATED |
| ALL_REPGENOBJECTS | DBA_REPGENOBJECTS | USER_REPGENOBJECTS |
| ALL_REPGROUP | DBA_REPGROUP | USER_REPGROUP |
| ALL_REPGROUP_PRIVILEGES | DBA_REPGROUP_PRIVILEGES | USER_REPGROUP_PRIVILEGES |

Table 2–1 (Cont.) Oracle Replication Data Dictionary Views

| | | |
|------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| ALL_REPGROUPED_COLUMN | DBA_REPGROUPED_COLUMN | USER_REPGROUPED_COLUMN |
| ALL_REPKEY_COLUMNS | DBA_REPKEY_COLUMNS | USER_REPKEY_COLUMNS |
| ALL_REPOBJECT | DBA_REPOBJECT | USER_REPOBJECT |
| ALL_REPPARAMETER_COLUMN | DBA_REPPARAMETER_COLUMN | USER_REPPARAMETER_COLUMN |
| ALL_REPPRIORITY | DBA_REPPRIORITY | USER_REPPRIORITY |
| ALL_REPPRIORITY_GROUP | DBA_REPPRIORITY_GROUP | USER_REPPRIORITY_GROUP |
| ALL_REPPROP | DBA_REPPROP | USER_REPPROP |
| ALL_REPRESOL_STATS_CONTROL | DBA_REPRESOL_STATS_CONTROL | USER_REPRESOL_STATS_CONTROL |
| ALL_REPRESOLUTION | DBA_REPRESOLUTION | USER_REPRESOLUTION |
| ALL_REPRESOLUTION_METHOD | DBA_REPRESOLUTION_METHOD | USER_REPRESOLUTION_METHOD |
| ALL_REPRESOLUTION_STATISTICS | DBA_REPRESOLUTION_STATISTICS | USER_REPRESOLUTION_STATISTICS |
| ALL_REPSHEMA | DBA_REPSHEMA | USER_REPSHEMA |
| ALL_REPSITES | DBA_REPSITES | USER_REPSITES |
| | DBA_REPSITES_NEW | |
| Additional views: | | |
| DEFCALL | DEFERROR | DEFTRAN |
| DEFCALLDEST | DEFLOB | DEFTRANDEST |
| DEFDEFAULTDEST | DEFPROPAGATOR | |
| DEFERRCOUNT | DEFSCHEDULE | |

The remainder of this chapter lists the data dictionary views in alphabetical order.

ALL_ALL_TABLES

ALL_ALL_TABLES describes all object tables and relational tables accessible to the current user.

Related Views

- DBA_ALL_TABLES describes all object tables and relational tables in the database.
- USER_ALL_TABLES describes all object tables and relational tables owned by the current user. This view does not display the OWNER column.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------------|----------------|------|--|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | | Owner of the table |
| TABLE_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | | Name of the table |
| TABLESPACE_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | | Name of the tablespace containing the table |
| CLUSTER_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | | Name of the cluster, if any, to which the table belongs |
| IOT_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | | Name of the index organized table, if any, to which the overflow entry belongs |
| PCT_FREE | NUMBER | | Minimum percentage of free space in a block |
| PCT_USED | NUMBER | | Minimum percentage of used space in a block |
| INI_TRANS | NUMBER | | Initial number of transactions |
| MAX_TRANS | NUMBER | | Maximum number of transactions |
| INITIAL_EXTENT | NUMBER | | Size of the initial extent in bytes |
| NEXT_EXTENT | NUMBER | | Size of secondary extents in bytes |
| MIN_EXTENTS | NUMBER | | Minimum number of extents allowed in the segment |
| MAX_EXTENTS | NUMBER | | Maximum number of extents allowed in the segment |
| PCT_INCREASE | NUMBER | | Percentage increase in extent size |
| FREELISTS | NUMBER | | Number of process freelists allocated in this segment |
| FREELIST_GROUPS | NUMBER | | Number of freelist groups allocated in this segment |
| LOGGING | VARCHAR2(3) | | Logging attribute |
| BACKED_UP | VARCHAR2(1) | | Whether the table has been backed up since the last modification |
| NUM_ROWS | NUMBER | | Number of rows in the table |
| BLOCKS | NUMBER | | Number of used blocks in the table |
| EMPTY_BLOCKS | NUMBER | | Number of empty (never used) blocks in the table |

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|---------------------------|--------------|------|--|
| AVG_SPACE | NUMBER | | Average available free space in the table |
| CHAIN_CNT | NUMBER | | Number of rows in the table that are chained from one data block to another or that have migrated to a new block, requiring a link to preserve the old rowid. This column is updated only after you analyze the table. |
| AVG_ROW_LEN | NUMBER | | Average row length, including row overhead |
| AVG_SPACE_FREELIST_BLOCKS | NUMBER | | Average freespace of all blocks on a freelist |
| NUM_FREELIST_BLOCKS | NUMBER | | Number of blocks on the freelist |
| DEGREE | VARCHAR2(10) | | Number of threads per instance for scanning the table |
| INSTANCES | VARCHAR2(10) | | Number of instances across which the table is to be scanned |
| CACHE | VARCHAR2(5) | | Whether the cluster is to be cached in the buffer cache (CACHE NOCACHE) |
| TABLE_LOCK | VARCHAR2(8) | | Whether table locking is enabled or disabled |
| SAMPLE_SIZE | NUMBER | | Sample size used in analyzing this table |
| LAST_ANALYZED | DATE | | Date on which this table was most recently analyzed |
| PARTITIONED | VARCHAR2(3) | | Whether this table is partitioned (YES NO) |
| IOT_TYPE | VARCHAR2(12) | | If an index organized table, whether an overflow segment has been specified (OVERFLOW) or not (NULL) |
| OBJECT_ID_TYPE | VARCHAR2(16) | | Whether the object ID is USER-DEFINED or SYSTEM GENERATED |
| TABLE_TYPE_OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | | If an object table, owner of the type from which the table is created |
| TABLE_TYPE | VARCHAR2(30) | | If an object table, type of the table |
| TEMPORARY | VARCHAR2(1) | | Whether the table is temporary |
| SECONDARY | VARCHAR2(1) | | Whether the table is a secondary object created by the ODCIIndexCreate method of the Oracle9i Data Cartridge to contain the contents of a domain index (Y N) |
| NESTED | VARCHAR2(3) | | Whether this is a nested table |
| BUFFER_POOL | VARCHAR2(7) | | Default buffer pool for the table |
| ROW_MOVEMENT | VARCHAR2(8) | | If a partitioned table, whether row movement is enabled or disabled |
| GLOBAL_STATS | VARCHAR2(3) | | For partitioned tables, indicates whether statistics were collected by analyzing the table as a whole (YES) or were estimated from statistics on underlying partitions and subpartitions (NO). |
| USER_STATS | VARCHAR2(3) | | Whether statistics were entered directly by the user |

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|--------------|--------------|------|---|
| DURATION | VARCHAR2(15) | | Indicates the duration of a temporary table: SYS\$SESSION: the rows are preserved for the duration of the session SYS\$TRANSACTION: the rows are deleted after COMMIT Null for a permanent table |
| SKIP_CORRUPT | VARCHAR2(8) | | Whether Oracle ignores blocks marked corrupt during table and index scans (ENABLED) or raises an error (DISABLED). To enable this feature, run the DBMS_REPAIR.skip_corrupt_blocks procedure. |
| MONITORING | VARCHAR2(3) | | Whether the table has the MONITORING attribute set |

ALL_ARGUMENTS

ALL_ARGUMENTS lists all arguments of procedures and functions that are accessible to the user.

Related View

- USER_ARGUMENTS lists all arguments of procedures and functions that are owned by the current user. This view does not display the OWNER column.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|----------------|--------------|----------|--|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the owner of the object |
| OBJECT_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | | Name of the procedure or function |
| PACKAGE_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | | Package name |
| OBJECT_ID | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Name of the package containing the procedure or function |
| OVERLOAD | VARCHAR2(40) | | Overload unique identifier |
| ARGUMENT_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | | Name of the argument |
| POSITION | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Position in argument list, or NULL for function return value |
| SEQUENCE | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Argument sequence, including all nesting levels |
| DATA_LEVEL | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Nesting depth of argument for composite types |
| DATA_TYPE | VARCHAR2(14) | | Datatype of the argument |
| DEFAULT_VALUE | LONG | | Default value for the argument |
| DEFAULT_LENGTH | NUMBER | | Length of default value for the argument |

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|--------------------|---------------|------|--|
| IN_OUT | VARCHAR2(9) | | Argument direction (IN, OUT, or IN/OUT) |
| DATA_LENGTH | NUMBER | | Length of the column in bytes |
| DATA_PRECISION | NUMBER | | Length in decimal digits (NUMBER) or binary digits (FLOAT) |
| DATA_SCALE | NUMBER | | Digits to right of decimal point in a number |
| RADIX | NUMBER | | Argument radix for a number |
| CHARACTER_SET_NAME | VARCHAR2(44) | | Character set name for the argument |
| TYPE_OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | | Username of the owner of the type of the argument |
| TYPE_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | | Name of the type of the argument. If the type is a package local type (that is, it is declared in a package specification), this column displays the name of the package. |
| TYPE_SUBNAME | VARCHAR2(30) | | Relevant only for package local types. Displays the name of the type declared in the package identified in the TYPE_NAME column. |
| TYPE_LINK | VARCHAR2(128) | | Relevant only for package local types when the package identified in the TYPE_NAME column is a remote package. This column displays the database link used to refer to the remote package. |
| PLS_TYPE | VARCHAR2(30) | | For numeric arguments, the name of the PL/SQL type of the argument. Null otherwise. |

ALL_ASSOCIATIONS

ALL_ASSOCIATIONS describes user-defined statistics associated with objects accessible to the current user.

Related Views

- DBA_ASSOCIATIONS describes all user-defined statistics in the database.
- USER_ASSOCIATIONS describes user-defined statistics associated with objects owned by the current user.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|--------------|--------------|----------|--|
| OBJECT_OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the object for which the association is being defined |
| OBJECT_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the object for which the association is being defined |

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-------------------|-----------------|------|--|
| COLUMN_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Column name in the object for which the association is being defined |
| OBJECT_TYPE | VARCHAR2 (9) | | Kind of object with which statistics are being associated: column, type, package or function, indextype, or domain index. |
| STATSTYPE_SCHEMA | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Owner of the statistics type |
| STATSTYPE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Name of statistics type that contains the cost, selectivity or statistics functions |
| DEF_SELECTIVITY | NUMBER | | Default selectivity of the object, if any |
| DEF_CPU_COST | NUMBER | | Default CPU cost of the object, if any |
| DEF_IO_COST | NUMBER | | Default I/O cost of the object, if any |
| DEF_NET_COST | NUMBER | | Default networking cost of the object, if any |
| INTERFACE_VERSION | NUMBER | | Identifies the version number of the ODCIStats interface. Value is 1 for statistics type implementing Oracle8i 8.1; 0 for types implementing Oracle9i 9.0.0. |

ALL_BASE_TABLE_MVIEWS

ALL_BASE_TABLE_MVIEWS lists information about all materialized views using materialized view logs accessible to the current user. A materialized view log can be created for a master or base table or a master materialized view. Query this view at the master site or master materialized view site to show one row for each materialized view using a materialized view log.

Related Views

- DBA_BASE_TABLE_MVIEWS describes all materialized views using materialized view logs in the database.
- USER_BASE_TABLE_MVIEWS describes all materialized views using materialized view logs owned by the current user.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-------------------------|-----------------|----------|--|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Schema in which the master table or master materialized view was created |
| MASTER | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the master table or master materialized view |
| MVIEW_LAST_REFRESH_TIME | DATE | NOT NULL | The date when the materialized view based on the master was last refreshed |

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|----------|-------------|------|--|
| MVIEW_ID | NUMBER (38) | | Unique identifier of the materialized view that is based on the master |

See Also:

- ["DBA_BASE_TABLE_MVIEWS"](#) on page 2-121
- ["USER_BASE_TABLE_MVIEWS"](#) on page 2-195

ALL_CATALOG

ALL_CATALOG lists all indexes, tables, clusters, views, synonyms, and sequences accessible to the user.

Related Views

- DBA_CATALOG lists all indexes, tables, clusters, views, synonyms, and sequences in the entire database.
- USER_CATALOG lists all indexes, tables, clusters, views, synonyms, and sequences in the current user's schema. This view does not display the OWNER column.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|------------|---------------|----------|---|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the INDEX, TABLE, CLUSTER, VIEW, SYNONYM, SEQUENCE, or UNDEFINED |
| TABLE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the INDEX, TABLE, CLUSTER, VIEW, SYNONYM, SEQUENCE, or UNDEFINED |
| TABLE_TYPE | VARCHAR2 (11) | | Type of the INDEX, TABLE, CLUSTER, VIEW, SYNONYM, SEQUENCE, or UNDEFINED |

ALL_CLUSTER_HASH_EXPRESSIONS

ALL_CLUSTER_HASH_EXPRESSIONS lists hash functions for all hash clusters accessible to the current user.

Related Views

- DBA_CLUSTER_HASH_EXPRESSIONS lists hash functions for all hash clusters in the database.

- `USER_CLUSTER_HASH_EXPRESSIONS` lists hash functions for all hash clusters owned by the current user.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------------|---------------------------|----------|---|
| OWNER | <code>VARCHAR2(30)</code> | NOT NULL | Name of the owner of the cluster |
| CLUSTER_NAME | <code>VARCHAR2(30)</code> | NOT NULL | Name of the cluster |
| HASH_EXPRESSION | LONG | | Text of hash function of the hash cluster |

ALL_CLUSTERS

`ALL_CLUSTERS` describes all clusters accessible to the user.

Related Views

- `DBA_CLUSTERS` describes all clusters in the database.
- `USER_CLUSTERS` describes all clusters owned by the current user. This view does not display the `OWNER` column.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------------|---------------------------|----------|---|
| OWNER | <code>VARCHAR2(30)</code> | NOT NULL | Owner of the cluster |
| CLUSTER_NAME | <code>VARCHAR2(30)</code> | NOT NULL | Name of the cluster |
| TABLESPACE_NAME | <code>VARCHAR2(30)</code> | NOT NULL | Name of the tablespace containing the cluster |
| PCT_FREE | NUMBER | | Minimum percentage of free space in a block |
| PCT_USED | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Minimum percentage of used space in a block |
| KEY_SIZE | NUMBER | | Estimated size of cluster key plus associated rows |
| INI_TRANS | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Initial number of transactions |
| MAX_TRANS | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Maximum number of transactions |
| INITIAL_EXTENT | NUMBER | | Size of the initial extent in bytes |
| NEXT_EXTENT | NUMBER | | Size of secondary extents in bytes |
| MIN_EXTENTS | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Minimum number of extents allowed in the segment |
| MAX_EXTENTS | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Maximum number of extents allowed in the segment |
| PCT_INCREASE | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Percentage increase in extent size |
| FREELISTS | NUMBER | | Number of process freelists allocated to this segment |
| FREELIST_GROUPS | NUMBER | | Number of freelist groups allocated to this segment |

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|--------------------|-----------------|------|---|
| AVG_BLOCKS_PER_KEY | NUMBER | | Number of blocks in the table divided by number of cluster keys |
| CLUSTER_TYPE | VARCHAR2 (5) | | Type of cluster: B*-Tree index or hash |
| FUNCTION | VARCHAR2 (15) | | If a hash cluster, the hash function |
| HASHKEYS | NUMBER | | If a hash cluster, the number of hash keys (hash buckets) |
| DEGREE | VARCHAR2 (10) | | Number of threads per instance for scanning the cluster |
| INSTANCES | VARCHAR2 (10) | | Number of instances across which the cluster is to be scanned |
| CACHE | VARCHAR2 (5) | | Whether the cluster is to be cached in the buffer cache (CACHE NOCACHE) |
| BUFFER_POOL | VARCHAR2 (7) | | Default buffer pool for the cluster |
| SINGLE_TABLE | VARCHAR2 (5) | | Whether this is a single-table cluster (Y N) |

ALL_COL_COMMENTS

ALL_COL_COMMENTS lists comments on columns of tables and views accessible to the current user.

Related Views

- DBA_COL_COMMENTS lists comments on all tables and views in the database.
- USER_COL_COMMENTS lists comments on tables and views owned by the current user. This view does not display the OWNER column.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-------------|-------------------|----------|-----------------------|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the object |
| TABLE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the object |
| COLUMN_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the column |
| COMMENTS | VARCHAR2 (4000) | | Comment on the column |

ALL_COL_PRIVS

ALL_COL_PRIVS describes column object grants for which the current user or PUBLIC is the object owner, grantor, or grantee. This view displays OWNER but not TABLE_SCHEMA.

Related Views

- DBA_COL_PRIVS describes all column object grants in the database. This view displays OWNER but not TABLE_SCHEMA.
- USER_COL_PRIVS describes column object grants for which the current user is the object owner, grantor, or grantee. This view displays TABLE_SCHEMA but not OWNER.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|--------------|----------------|----------|--|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the object. Displayed only in the DBA_ and USER_ views. |
| GRANTOR | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the user who performed the grant |
| GRANTEE | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the user to whom access was granted |
| TABLE_SCHEMA | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Schema of the object. Displayed only in the ALL_ view. |
| TABLE_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the object |
| COLUMN_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the column |
| PRIVILEGE | VARCHAR2(40) | NOT NULL | Privilege on the column |
| GRANTABLE | VARCHAR2(3) | | Whether privileges were granted with ADMIN OPTION (YES NO) |

ALL_COL_PRIVS_MADE

ALL_COL_PRIVS_MADE lists column object grants for which the current user is object owner or grantor.

Related View

- USER_COL_PRIVS_MADE describes column object grants for which the current user is the grantor. This view does not display the OWNER column.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-------------|----------------|----------|---|
| GRANTEE | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the user to whom access was granted |
| OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the owner of the object |
| TABLE_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the object |
| COLUMN_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the column |
| GRANTOR | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the user who performed the grant |
| PRIVILEGE | VARCHAR2(40) | NOT NULL | Privilege on the column |

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------|----------------|------|--|
| GRANTABLE | VARCHAR2 (3) | | Whether the privilege was granted with ADMIN OPTION (YES NO) |

ALL_COL_PRIVS_RECD

ALL_COL_PRIVS_RECD describes column object grants for which the current user or PUBLIC is the grantee.

Related View

- USER_COL_PRIVS_RECD describes column object grants for which the current user is the grantee. This view does not display the OWNER column.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-------------|-----------------|----------|--|
| GRANTEE | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the user to whom access was granted |
| OWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NUL | Name of the owner of the object |
| TABLE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the object |
| COLUMN_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the object |
| GRANTOR | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the user who performed the grant |
| PRIVILEGE | VARCHAR2 (40) | NOT NULL | Privilege on the column |
| GRANTABLE | VARCHAR2 (3) | | Whether the privilege was granted with ADMIN OPTION (YES NO) |

ALL_COLL_TYPES

ALL_COLL_TYPES describes all named collection types (varrays and nested tables) accessible to the user.

Related Views

- DBA_COLL_TYPES describes all named collection types in the database.
- USER_COLL_TYPES describes all named collection types owned by the current user. This view does not display the OWNER column.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------|-----------------|----------|-------------------------|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the collection |
| TYPE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the collection |

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|--------------------|-----------------|----------|--|
| COLL_TYPE | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Description of the collection, such as VARYING ARRAY, [nested] TABLE |
| UPPER_BOUND | NUMBER | | For varrays only, maximum size |
| ELEM_TYPE_MOD | VARCHAR2 (7) | | Whether the collection |
| ELEM_TYPE_OWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Owner of the type upon which the collection is based. This value is useful primarily in the case of a user-defined type. |
| ELEM_TYPE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Name of the datatype or user-defined type upon which the collection is based |
| LENGTH | NUMBER | | Length of CHAR elements or maximum length of VARCHAR or VARCHAR2 elements |
| PRECISION | NUMBER | | Decimal precision of NUMBER or DECIMAL elements; binary precision of FLOAT elements |
| SCALE | NUMBER | | Scale of NUMBER or DECIMAL elements |
| CHARACTER_SET_NAME | VARCHAR2 (44) | | Name of the character set (CHAR_CS NCHAR_CS) |
| ELEM_STORAGE | VARCHAR2 (7) | | [Obsolete column] |
| NULLS_STORED | VARCHAR2 (3) | | [Obsolete column] |

ALL_CONS_COLUMNS

ALL_CONS_COLUMNS describes columns that are accessible to the current user and that are specified in constraints.

Related Views

- DBA_CONS_COLUMNS describes all columns in the database that are specified in constraints.
- USER_CONS_COLUMNS describes columns that are owned by the current user and that are specified in constraints.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------------|-------------------|----------|--|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the constraint definition |
| CONSTRAINT_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the constraint definition |
| TABLE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the table with constraint definition |
| COLUMN_NAME | VARCHAR2 (4000) | | Name of the column or attribute of the object type column specified in the constraint definition |

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|----------|----------|------|--|
| | | | <p>Note: If you create a constraint on a user-defined REF column, the system creates the constraint on the attributes that make up the REF column. Therefore, the column names displayed in this view are the attribute names, with the REF column name as a prefix, in the following form:</p> <p>"REF_name"."attribute"</p> |
| POSITION | NUMBER | | Original position of column or attribute in the definition of the object |

ALL_CONSTRAINTS

ALL_CONSTRAINTS describes constraint definitions on tables accessible to the current user.

Related Views

- DBA_CONSTRAINTS describes all constraint definitions in the database.
- USER_CONSTRAINTS describes constraint definitions on tables in the current user's schema.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-------------------|-----------------|----------|---|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the constraint definition |
| CONSTRAINT_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the constraint definition |
| CONSTRAINT_TYPE | VARCHAR2 (1) | | Type of constraint definition: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ C (check constraint on a table) ■ P (primary key) ■ U (unique key) ■ R (referential integrity) ■ V (with check option, on a view) ■ O (with read only, on a view) |
| TABLE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name associated with the table (or view) with constraint definition |
| SEARCH_CONDITION | LONG | | Text of search condition for a check constraint |
| R_OWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Owner of table referred to in a referential constraint |
| R_CONSTRAINT_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Name of the unique constraint definition for referenced table |
| DELETE_RULE | VARCHAR2 (9) | | Delete rule for a referential constraint (CASCADE or NO ACTION) |

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-------------|-----------------|------|--|
| STATUS | VARCHAR2 (8) | | Enforcement status of constraint (ENABLED or DISABLED) |
| DEFERRABLE | VARCHAR2 (14) | | Whether the constraint is deferrable |
| DEFERRED | VARCHAR2 (9) | | Whether the constraint was initially deferred |
| VALIDATED | VARCHAR2 (13) | | Whether all data obeys the constraint (VALIDATED or NOT VALIDATED) |
| GENERATED | VARCHAR2 (14) | | Whether the name of the constraint is user or system generated |
| BAD | VARCHAR2 (3) | | A YES value indicates that this constraint specifies a century in an ambiguous manner. To avoid errors resulting from this ambiguity, rewrite the constraint using the TO_DATE function with a four-digit year. See Also: the TO_DATE function in <i>Oracle9i SQL Reference</i> and <i>Oracle9i Application Developer's Guide - Fundamentals</i> |
| RELY | VARCHAR2 (4) | | Whether an enabled constraint is enforced or unenforced. See Also: the <i>constraint_clause</i> in <i>Oracle9i SQL Reference</i> |
| LAST_CHANGE | DATE | | When the constraint was last enabled or disabled |
| INDEX_OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | | Name of the user owning the index |
| INDEX_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | | Name of the index |

ALL_CONTEXT

ALL_CONTEXT describes all context namespaces in the current session for which attributes and values have been specified using the DBMS_SESSION.SET_CONTEXT procedure.

Related View

- DBA_CONTEXT describes all context namespaces defined in the database, regardless whether any attributes have been specified for them using the DBMS_SESSION.SET_CONTEXT procedure.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------|-----------------|----------|---|
| NAMESPACE | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the context namespace |
| SCHEMA | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Schema name of the designated package that can set attributes using this namespace |
| PACKAGE | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Package name of the designated package that can set attributes using this namespace |

ALL_DB_LINKS

ALL_DB_LINKS describes database links accessible to the user. This view does not display the PASSWORD column.

Related Views

- DBA_DB_LINKS describes all database links defined in the database. This view does not display the PASSWORD column.
- USER_DB_LINKS describes database links in the current user's schema. This view does not display the OWNER column.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|----------|---------------|----------|--|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the owner of the database link |
| DB_LINK | VARCHAR2(12) | NOT NULL | Name of the database link |
| USERNAME | VARCHAR2(30) | | Name of user when logging in |
| PASSWORD | VARCHAR2(30) | | Login password for current user |
| HOST | VARCHAR2(200) | | Net8 connect string |
| CREATED | DATE | NOT NULL | Creation time of the database link |

ALL_DEF_AUDIT_OPTS

ALL_DEF_AUDIT_OPTS contains default object-auditing options that will be applied when objects are created. The output for each column takes one of the following forms:

- -/-: no default auditing
- S/-: auditing whenever successful
- -/S: auditing whenever not successful

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|--------|-------------|------|---|
| ALT | VARCHAR2(3) | | Auditing ALTER WHENEVER SUCCESSFUL / UNSUCCESSFUL |
| AUD | VARCHAR2(3) | | Auditing AUDIT WHENEVER SUCCESSFUL / UNSUCCESSFUL |
| COM | VARCHAR2(3) | | Auditing COMMENT WHENEVER SUCCESSFUL / UNSUCCESSFUL |
| DEL | VARCHAR2(3) | | Auditing DELETE WHENEVER SUCCESSFUL / UNSUCCESSFUL |
| GRA | VARCHAR2(3) | | Auditing GRANT WHENEVER SUCCESSFUL / UNSUCCESSFUL |

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|--------|----------------|------|---|
| IND | VARCHAR2 (3) | | Auditing INDEX WHENEVER SUCCESSFUL / UNSUCCESSFUL |
| INS | VARCHAR2 (3) | | Auditing INSERT WHENEVER SUCCESSFUL / UNSUCCESSFUL |
| LOC | VARCHAR2 (3) | | Auditing LOCK WHENEVER SUCCESSFUL / UNSUCCESSFUL |
| REN | VARCHAR2 (3) | | Auditing RENAME WHENEVER SUCCESSFUL / UNSUCCESSFUL |
| SEL | VARCHAR2 (3) | | Auditing SELECT WHENEVER SUCCESSFUL / UNSUCCESSFUL |
| UPD | VARCHAR2 (3) | | Auditing UPDATE WHENEVER SUCCESSFUL / UNSUCCESSFUL |
| REF | VARCHAR2 (3) | | Auditing REFERENCES WHENEVER SUCCESSFUL / UNSUCCESSFUL (not used) |
| EXE | VARCHAR2 (3) | | Auditing EXECUTE WHENEVER SUCCESSFUL / UNSUCCESSFUL |

ALL_DEPENDENCIES

ALL_DEPENDENCIES describes dependencies between procedures, packages, functions, package bodies, and triggers accessible to the user, including dependencies on views created without any database links. This view does not display the SCHEMAID column.

Related Views

- DBA_DEPENDENCIES describes all dependencies between objects in the database. This view does not display the SCHEMAID column.
- USER_DEPENDENCIES describes dependencies between objects in the current user's schema. This view does not display the OWNER column.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|----------------------|------------------|----------|---|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the object |
| NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the object |
| TYPE | VARCHAR2 (12) | | Type of object |
| REFERENCED_OWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Owner of the parent object |
| REFERENCED_NAME | VARCHAR2 (64) | | Type of parent object |
| REFERENCED_TYPE | VARCHAR2 (12) | | Type of referenced object |
| REFERENCED_LINK_NAME | VARCHAR2 (128) | | Name of the link to the parent object (if remote) |
| SCHEMAID | NUMBER | | ID of the current schema |

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------------|----------------|------|--|
| DEPENDENCY_TYPE | VARCHAR2 (4) | | Whether the dependency is a REF dependency (REF) or not (HARD) |

ALL_DIM_ATTRIBUTES

ALL_DIM_ATTRIBUTES describes the relationship between a dimension level and a functionally dependent column. The level columns and the dependent column must be in the same table.

Related Views

- DBA_DIM_ATTRIBUTES describes all such dimension relationships in the database.
- USER_DIM_ATTRIBUTES describes all such dimension attributes in the current user's schema.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|----------------|-----------------|----------|-----------------------------|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the dimension |
| DIMENSION_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the dimension |
| LEVEL_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Name of the hierarchy level |
| COLUMN_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Dependent column name |
| INFERRED | CHAR (1) | | Whether inferred |

ALL_DIM_CHILD_OF

ALL_DIM_CHILD_OF describes hierarchical relationships of 1 to n between the pairs of levels in the dimensions accessible to the current user.

Related Views

- DBA_DIM_CHILD_OF describes all such hierarchical relationships in the database.
- USER_DIM_CHILD_OF describes all such hierarchical attributes in the current user's schema.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|--------|-----------------|----------|------------------------|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the dimension |

ALL_DIM_HIERARCHIES

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-------------------|--------------|----------|---|
| DIMENSION_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the dimension |
| HIERARCHY_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | | Hierarchy name |
| POSITION | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Hierarchical position within this hierarchy, position 1 being the most detailed |
| CHILD_LEVEL_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | | Child side of 1:n relationship |
| JOIN_KEY_ID | VARCHAR2(40) | | If non-null, then the child joins to the parent |
| PARENT_LEVEL_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | | Parent side of 1:n relationship in relation to the CHILD_LEVEL_NAME |

ALL_DIM_HIERARCHIES

`ALL_DIM_HIERARCHIES` describes all dimension hierarchies accessible to the current user.

Related Views

- `DBA_DIM_HIERARCHIES` describes all such hierarchies in the database.
- `USER_DIM_HIERARCHIES` describes all such hierarchies owned by the current user.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|----------------|--------------|----------|------------------------|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the dimension |
| DIMENSION_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the dimension |
| HIERARCHY_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | | Hierarchy name |

ALL_DIM_JOIN_KEY

`ALL_DIM_JOIN_KEY` describes the joins between two dimension tables that are accessible to the current user. The join is always specified between a parent dimension level column and a child column.

Related Views

- `DBA_DIM_JOIN_KEY` describes all such joins in the database.
- `USER_DIM_JOIN_KEY` describes all such joins owned by the current user.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-------------------|-----------------|----------|---|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the dimension |
| DIMENSION_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the dimension |
| DIM_KEY_ID | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Join key ID (unique within a dimension) |
| LEVEL_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Name of the hierarchy level |
| KEY_POSITION | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Ordinal position of the key column within the level |
| HIERARCHY_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Name of the hierarchy |
| CHILD_JOIN_COLUMN | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the join column |

ALL_DIM_LEVEL_KEY

ALL_DIM_LEVEL_KEY describes a column of a dimension level accessible to the current user. The position of a column within a level is specified by **KEY_POSITION**.

Related Views

- **DBA_DIM_LEVEL_KEY** describes all columns of dimension levels in the database.
- **USER_DIM_LEVEL_KEY** describes all columns of dimension levels owned by the current user.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|----------------|-----------------|----------|---|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the dimension |
| DIMENSION_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the dimension |
| LEVEL_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Name of the hierarchy level |
| KEY_POSITION | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Ordinal position of the key column within the level |
| COLUMN_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the key column |

ALL_DIM_LEVELS

ALL_DIM_LEVELS describes the dimension levels accessible to the current user. All columns of a dimension level must come from the same relation.

Related Views

- **DBA_DIM_LEVELS** describes all dimension levels in the database.

ALL_DIMENSIONS

- `USER_DIM_LEVELS` describes the levels of all dimensions owned by the current user.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------------|---------------------------|----------|--|
| OWNER | <code>VARCHAR2(30)</code> | NOT NULL | Owner of the dimension |
| DIMENSION_NAME | <code>VARCHAR2(30)</code> | NOT NULL | Name of the dimension |
| LEVEL_NAME | <code>VARCHAR2(30)</code> | | Unique within a dimension |
| NUM_COLUMNS | NUMBER | | Number of columns in the level definition |
| DETAILOBJ_OWNER | <code>VARCHAR2(30)</code> | NOT NULL | Owner of the detail object that the keys of this level come from |
| DETAILOBJ_NAME | <code>VARCHAR2(30)</code> | NOT NULL | Name of the table that the keys of this level come from |

ALL_DIMENSIONS

`ALL_DIMENSIONS` describes dimension objects accessible to the current user.

Related Views

- `DBA_DIMENSIONS` describes all dimensions in the database.
- `USER_DIMENSIONS` describes dimensions in the current user's schema.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|----------------|---------------------------|----------|--|
| OWNER | <code>VARCHAR2(30)</code> | NOT NULL | Owner of the dimension |
| DIMENSION_NAME | <code>VARCHAR2(30)</code> | NOT NULL | Name of the dimension |
| INVALID | <code>VARCHAR2(1)</code> | | Whether the dimension is invalid (Y/N) |
| REVISION | NUMBER | | Dimension revision level |

ALL_DIRECTORIES

`ALL_DIRECTORIES` describes all directories accessible to the user.

Related View

- `DBA_DIRECTORIES` describes all directories in the database.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|--------|---------------------------|----------|-------------------------------------|
| OWNER | <code>VARCHAR2(30)</code> | NOT NULL | Owner of the directory (always SYS) |

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|----------------|----------------|----------|---|
| DIRECTORY_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the directory |
| DIRECTORY_PATH | VARCHAR2(4000) | | Operating system pathname for the directory |

ALL_ERRORS

ALL_ERRORS describes current errors on all stored objects (views, procedures, functions, packages, and package bodies) accessible to the current user.

Related Views

- DBA_ERRORS describes all current errors on all views, procedures, functions, packages, and package bodies in the database.
- USER_ERRORS describes all current errors on all views, procedures, functions, packages, and package bodies owned by the current user. This view does not display the OWNER column.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|----------|----------------|----------|---|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the object |
| NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the object |
| TYPE | VARCHAR2(12) | | Type of object |
| SEQUENCE | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Sequence number, for ordering |
| LINE | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Line number at which this error occurs |
| POSITION | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Position in the line at which this error occurs |
| TEXT | VARCHAR2(4000) | NOT NULL | Text of the error |

ALL_EXTERNAL_TABLES

ALL_EXTERNAL_TABLES describes all external tables accessible to the user.

Related Views

- DBA_EXTERNAL_TABLES describes all external tables in the database.
- USER_EXTERNAL_TABLES describes all external tables owned by the current user. This view does not display the OWNER column.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-------------------------|----------------|----------|---|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the external table |
| TABLE_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the external table |
| TYPE_OWNER | CHAR(3) | | Owner of the implementation type for the external table access driver |
| TYPE_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the implementation type for the external table access driver |
| DEFAULT_DIRECTORY_OWNER | CHAR(3) | | Owner of the default directory for the external table (can be NULL) |
| DEFAULT_DIRECTORY_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the default directory for the external table (can be NULL) |
| REJECT_LIMIT | NUMBER | | Reject limit for the external table (default is 0) |
| ACCESS_TYPE | VARCHAR2(7) | | Type of access parameters for the external table (CLOB/BLOB) |
| ACCESS_PARAMETERS | VARCHAR2(4000) | | Access parameters for the external table |

See Also:

- ["DBA_EXTERNAL_TABLES"](#) on page 2-128
- ["USER_EXTERNAL_TABLES"](#) on page 2-199

ALL_HISTOGRAMS

ALL_HISTOGRAMS is a synonym for ALL_TAB_HISTOGRAMS.

See Also: ["ALL_TAB_HISTOGRAMS"](#) on page 2-91

ALL_IND_COLUMNS

ALL_IND_COLUMNS describes the columns of indexes on all tables accessible to the current user.

Note: For join indexes, the TABLE_NAME and TABLE_OWNER columns in this view may not match the TABLE_NAME and TABLE_OWNER columns you find in the *_INDEXES (and other similar) data dictionary views.

Related Views

- DBA_IND_COLUMNS describes the columns of indexes on all tables in the database.
- USER_IND_COLUMNS describes the columns of indexes owned by the current user and columns of indexes on tables owned by the current user. This view does not display the INDEX_OWNER or TABLE_OWNER columns.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------------|----------------|----------|--|
| INDEX_OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the index |
| INDEX_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the index |
| TABLE_OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the table or cluster |
| TABLE_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the table or cluster |
| COLUMN_NAME | VARCHAR2(4000) | | Column name or attribute of object type column |
| | | | Note: If you create an index on a user-defined REF column, the system creates the index on the attributes that make up the REF column. Therefore, the column names displayed in this view are the attribute names, with the REF column name as a prefix, in the following form: "REF_name"."attribute" |
| COLUMN_POSITION | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Position of column or attribute within the index |
| COLUMN_LENGTH | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Indexed length of the column |
| CHAR_LENGTH | NUMBER | | Maximum codepoint length of the column |
| DESCEND | VARCHAR2(4) | | Whether the column is sorted in descending order (Y/N) |

ALL_IND_EXPRESSIONS

ALL_IND_EXPRESSIONS describes the expressions of function-based indexes on tables accessible to the current user.

Related Views

- DBA_IND_EXPRESSIONS describes the expressions of all function-based indexes in the database.
- USER_IND_EXPRESSIONS describes the expressions of function-based indexes on tables owned by the current user. This view does not display the INDEX_OWNER or TABLE_OWNER columns.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-------------------|--------------|----------|---|
| INDEX_OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Index owner |
| INDEX_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Index name |
| TABLE_OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Table or cluster owner |
| TABLE_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Table or cluster name |
| COLUMN_EXPRESSION | LONG | | Function-based index expression defining the column |
| COLUMN_POSITION | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Position of column or attribute within index |

ALL_IND_PARTITIONS

ALL_IND_PARTITIONS describes, for each index partition accessible to the current user, the partition-level partitioning information, the storage parameters for the partition, and various partition statistics collected by ANALYZE statements.

Related Views

- DBA_IND_PARTITIONS describes all index partitions in the database.
- USER_IND_PARTITIONS describes the index partitions owned by the current user. This view does not display the INDEX_OWNER column.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------------------|--------------|---|
| INDEX_OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | Owner of the index |
| INDEX_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | Name of the index |
| COMPOSITE | VARCHAR2(3) | Whether the partition belongs to a local index on a composite-partitioned table (YES NO) |
| PARTITION_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | Name of the partition |
| SUBPARTITION_COUNT | NUMBER | If a local index on a composite-partitioned table, the number of subpartitions in the partition |
| HIGH_VALUE | LONG | Partition bound value expression |
| HIGH_VALUE_LENGTH | NUMBER | Length of partition bound value expression |
| PARTITION_POSITION | NUMBER | Position of the partition within the index |
| STATUS | VARCHAR2(8) | Whether index partition is USABLE or UNUSABLE |
| TABLESPACE_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | Name of the tablespace containing the partition |
| PCT_FREE | NUMBER | Minimum percentage of free space in a block |
| INI_TRANS | NUMBER | Initial number of transactions |

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-------------------------|----------------|---|
| MAX_TRANS | NUMBER | Maximum number of transactions |
| INITIAL_EXTENT | NUMBER | Size of the initial extent in bytes |
| NEXT_EXTENT | NUMBER | Size of secondary extents in bytes |
| MIN_EXTENT | NUMBER | Minimum number of extents allowed in the segment |
| MAX_EXTENT | NUMBER | Maximum number of extents allowed in the segment |
| PCT_INCREASE | NUMBER | Percentage increase in extent size |
| FREELISTS | NUMBER | Number of process freelists allocated in this segment |
| FREELIST_GROUPS | NUMBER | Number of process freelist groups allocated in this segment |
| LOGGING | VARCHAR2 (7) | Logging attribute of partition |
| COMPRESSION | VARCHAR2 (8) | Indicates whether key compression is ENABLED or DISABLED for a partitioned index. NULL for a nonpartitioned index. |
| BLEVEL | NUMBER | B*-Tree level: depth of the index from its root block to its leaf blocks. A depth of 0 indicates that the root block and leaf block are the same. |
| LEAF_BLOCKS | NUMBER | Number of leaf blocks in the index partition |
| DISTINCT_KEYS | NUMBER | Number of distinct keys in the index partition |
| AVG_LEAF_BLOCKS_PER_KEY | NUMBER | Average number of leaf blocks in which each distinct value in the index appears, rounded to the nearest integer. For indexes that enforce UNIQUE and PRIMARY KEY constraints, this value is always 1. |
| AVG_DATA_BLOCKS_PER_KEY | NUMBER | Average number of data blocks in the table that are pointed to by a distinct value in the index rounded to the nearest integer. This statistic is the average number of data blocks that contain rows that contain a given value for the indexed columns. |
| CLUSTERING_FACTOR | NUMBER | Indicates the amount of order of the rows in the table based on the values of the index. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ If the value is near the number of blocks, then the table is very well ordered. In this case, the index entries in a single leaf block tend to point to rows in the same data blocks. ■ If the value is near the number of rows, then the table is very randomly ordered. In this case, it is unlikely that index entries in the same leaf block point to rows in the same data blocks. |
| NUM_ROWS | NUMBER | Number of rows returned by the ANALYZE statement |
| SAMPLE_SIZE | NUMBER | Sample size used in analyzing this partition |
| LAST_ANALYZED | DATE | Date on which this partition was most recently analyzed |
| BUFFER_POOL | VARCHAR2 (7) | The actual buffer pool for the partition |
| USER_STATS | VARCHAR2 (3) | Whether the statistics were entered directly by the user (YES NO) |

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-------------------|----------------|--|
| PCT_DIRECT_ACCESS | NUMBER | If a secondary index on index-organized table, the percentage of rows with VALID guess |
| GLOBAL_STATS | VARCHAR2(3) | Indicates whether statistics for the partition were collected for the partition as a whole (YES) or were estimated from statistics on underlying subpartitions (NO). |
| DOMIDX_OPSTATUS | VARCHAR2(6) | |
| PARAMETERS | VARCHAR2(1000) | |

ALL_IND_SUBPARTITIONS

ALL_IND_SUBPARTITIONS describes, for each index subpartition accessible to the current user, the partition-level partitioning information, the storage parameters for the subpartition, and various partition statistics collected by ANALYZE statements.

Related Views

- DBA_IND_SUBPARTITIONS describes all index subpartitions in the database.
- USER_IND_SUBPARTITIONS describes the index subpartitions owned by the current user. This view does not display the INDEX_OWNER column.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------------------|----------------|----------|--|
| INDEX_OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the index |
| INDEX_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the index |
| PARTITION_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | | Name of the partition |
| SUBPARTITION_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | | Name of the subpartition |
| SUBPARTITION_POSITION | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Position of a subpartition within a partition |
| STATUS | VARCHAR2(8) | | Whether index partition is usable or not |
| TABLESPACE_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the tablespace containing the partition |
| PCT_FREE | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Minimum percentage of free space in a block |
| INI_TRANS | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Initial number of transactions |
| MAX_TRANS | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Maximum number of transactions |
| INITIAL_EXTENT | NUMBER | | Size of the initial extent in bytes |
| NEXT_EXTENT | NUMBER | | Size of secondary extents in bytes |
| MIN_EXTENT | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Minimum number of extents allowed in the segment |
| MAX_EXTENT | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Maximum number of extents allowed in the segment |

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-------------------------|----------------|----------|--|
| PCT_INCREASE | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Percentage increase in extent size |
| FREELISTS | NUMBER | | Number of process freelists allocated in this segment |
| FREELIST_GROUPS | NUMBER | | Number of process freelist groups allocated in this segment |
| LOGGING | VARCHAR2 (3) | | Logging attribute of partition |
| BLEVEL | NUMBER | | B-Tree level: depth of the index from its root block to its leaf blocks. A depth of 0 indicates that the root block and leaf block are the same. |
| LEAF_BLOCKS | NUMBER | | Number of leaf blocks in the index |
| DISTINCT_KEYS | NUMBER | | Number of distinct keys in the index partition |
| AVG_LEAF_BLOCKS_PER_KEY | NUMBER | | Average number of leaf blocks in which each distinct value in the index appears, rounded to the nearest integer. For indexes that enforce UNIQUE and PRIMARY KEY constraints, this value is always 1. |
| AVG_DATA_BLOCKS_PER_KEY | NUMBER | | Average number of data blocks in the table that are pointed to by a distinct value in the index rounded to the nearest integer. This statistic is the average number of data blocks that contain rows that contain a given value for the indexed columns. |
| CLUSTERING_FACTOR | NUMBER | | <p>Indicates the amount of order of the rows in the table based on the values of the index.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ If the value is near the number of blocks, then the table is very well ordered. In this case, the index entries in a single leaf block tend to point to rows in the same data blocks. ■ If the value is near the number of rows, then the table is very randomly ordered. In this case, it is unlikely that index entries in the same leaf block point to rows in the same data blocks. |
| NUM_ROWS | NUMBER | | Number of rows in this index subpartition |
| SAMPLE_SIZE | NUMBER | | Sample size used in analyzing this subpartition |
| LAST_ANALYZED | DATE | | Date on which this partition was most recently analyzed |
| BUFFER_POOL | VARCHAR2 (7) | | Default buffer pool for the subpartition |
| USER_STATS | VARCHAR2 (3) | | Whether the statistics were entered directly by the user |
| GLOBAL_STATS | VARCHAR2 (3) | | Indicates whether column statistics for the subpartition statistics were collected by analyzing the table as a whole (YES) or estimated from statistics gathered on partitions and subpartitions (NO). |

ALL_INDEXES

ALL_INDEXES describes indexes on all tables accessible to the user. To gather statistics for this view and the related views DBA_INDEXES and USER_INDEXES, use the SQL ANALYZE statement.

Note: Column names followed by an asterisk are populated only if you collect statistics on the index using the ANALYZE statement or the DBMS_STATS package.

Related Views

- DBA_INDEXES describes all indexes in the database.
- USER_INDEXES describes the indexes owned by the current user. This view does not display the OWNER column.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------------|-----------------|----------|---|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the index |
| INDEX_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the index |
| INDEX_TYPE | VARCHAR2 (12) | | Type of index (NORMAL, BITMAP, FUNCTION-BASED NORMAL, FUNCTION-BASED BITMAP, or DOMAIN) |
| TABLE_OWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the indexed object |
| TABLE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the indexed object |
| TABLE_TYPE | CHAR (5) | | Type of the indexed object (for example, TABLE, CLUSTER) |
| UNIQUENESS | VARCHAR2 (9) | | Whether the index is UNIQUE or NONUNIQUE |
| COMPRESSION | VARCHAR2 (11) | | Whether the index is ENABLED or DISABLED |
| PREFIX_LENGTH | NUMBER | | Number of columns in the prefix of the compression key |
| TABLESPACE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Name of the tablespace containing the index |
| INI_TRANS | NUMBER | | Initial number of transactions |
| MAX_TRANS | NUMBER | | Maximum number of transactions |
| INITIAL_EXTENT | NUMBER | | Size of the initial extent |
| NEXT_EXTENT | NUMBER | | Size of secondary extents |
| MIN_EXTENTS | NUMBER | | Minimum number of extents allowed in the segment |
| MAX_EXTENTS | NUMBER | | Maximum number of extents allowed in the segment |
| PCT_INCREASE | NUMBER | | Percentage increase in extent size |

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|--------------------------|----------------|------|---|
| PCT_THRESHOLD | NUMBER | | Threshold percentage of block space allowed per index entry |
| INCLUDE_COLUMN | NUMBER | | Column ID of the last column to be included in index-organized table primary key (non-overflow) index. This column maps to the COLUMN_ID column of the *_TAB_COLUMNS data dictionary views. |
| FREELISTS | NUMBER | | Number of process freelists allocated to this segment |
| FREELIST_GROUPS | NUMBER | | Number of freelist groups allocated to this segment |
| PCT_FREE | NUMBER | | Minimum percentage of free space in a block |
| LOGGING | VARCHAR2 (3) | | Logging information |
| BLEVEL* | NUMBER | | B*-Tree level: depth of the index from its root block to its leaf blocks. A depth of 0 indicates that the root block and leaf block are the same. |
| LEAF_BLOCKS* | NUMBER | | Number of leaf blocks in the index |
| DISTINCT_KEYS* | NUMBER | | Number of distinct indexed values. For indexes that enforce UNIQUE and PRIMARY KEY constraints, this value is the same as the number of rows in the table (USER_TABLES.NUM_ROWS) |
| AVG_LEAF_BLOCKS_PER_KEY* | NUMBER | | Average number of leaf blocks in which each distinct value in the index appears, rounded to the nearest integer. For indexes that enforce UNIQUE and PRIMARY KEY constraints, this value is always 1. |
| AVG_DATA_BLOCKS_PER_KEY* | NUMBER | | Average number of data blocks in the table that are pointed to by a distinct value in the index rounded to the nearest integer. This statistic is the average number of data blocks that contain rows that contain a given value for the indexed columns. |
| CLUSTERING_FACTOR* | NUMBER | | Indicates the amount of order of the rows in the table based on the values of the index. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ If the value is near the number of blocks, then the table is very well ordered. In this case, the index entries in a single leaf block tend to point to rows in the same data blocks. ■ If the value is near the number of rows, then the table is very randomly ordered. In this case, it is unlikely that index entries in the same leaf block point to rows in the same data blocks. |
| STATUS | VARCHAR2 (8) | | Whether a nonpartitioned index is VALID or UNUSABLE |
| NUM_ROWS | NUMBER | | Number of rows in the index |
| SAMPLE_SIZE | NUMBER | | Size of the sample used to analyze the index |

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-------------------|----------------|------|---|
| LAST_ANALYZED | DATE | | Date on which this index was most recently analyzed |
| DEGREE | VARCHAR2(40) | | Number of threads per instance for scanning the index |
| INSTANCES | VARCHAR2(40) | | Number of instances across which the indexes to be scanned |
| PARTITIONED | VARCHAR2(3) | | Whether this index is partitioned (YES NO) |
| TEMPORARY | VARCHAR2(1) | | Whether the index is on a temporary table |
| GENERATED | VARCHAR2(1) | | Whether the name of the index is system generated (Y N) |
| SECONDARY | VARCHAR2(1) | | Whether the index is a secondary object created by the <code>ODCIIndexCreate</code> method of the Oracle9i Data Cartridge (Y N) |
| BUFFER_POOL | VARCHAR2(7) | | Name of the default buffer pool to be used for the index blocks |
| USER_STATS | VARCHAR2(3) | | Whether the statistics were entered directly by the user |
| DURATION | VARCHAR2(15) | | Indicates the duration of a temporary table: <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ <code>SYS\$SESSION</code>: the rows are preserved for the duration of the session▪ <code>SYS\$TRANSACTION</code>: the rows are deleted after <code>COMMIT</code> Null for a permanent table |
| PCT_DIRECT_ACCESS | NUMBER | | For a secondary index on an index-organized table, the percentage of rows with <code>VALID</code> guess |
| ITYP_OWNER | NUMBER | | For a domain index, the owner of the indextype |
| ITYP_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | | For a domain index, the name of the indextype |
| PARAMETERS | VARCHAR2(1000) | | For a domain index, the parameter string |
| GLOBAL_STATS | VARCHAR2(3) | | For partitioned indexes, indicates whether statistics were collected by analyzing index as a whole (YES) or were estimated from statistics on underlying index partitions and subpartitions (NO). |
| DOMIDX_STATUS | VARCHAR | | Reflects the status of the domain index <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ <code>NULL</code>: the specified index is not a domain index▪ <code>VALID</code>: the index is a valid domain index▪ <code>IDXTYP_INVLD</code>: the indextype of this domain index is invalid |

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------------|----------|------|---|
| DOMIDX_OPSTATUS | VARCHAR | | Reflects the status of an operation that was performed on a domain index <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ NULL: the specified index is not a domain index ■ VALID: the operation performed without errors ■ FAILED: the operation failed with an error |
| FUNCIDX_STATUS | VARCHAR | | Indicates the status of a function-based index <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ NULL: this is not a function-based index ■ ENABLED: the function-based index is enabled ■ DISABLED: the function-based index is disabled |

ALL_INDEXTYPE_COMMENTS

ALL_INDEXTYPE_COMMENTS lists all comments for user-defined indextypes accessible to the current user.

Related Views

- DBA_INDEXTYPE_COMMENTS lists all comments for user-defined indextypes in the database.
- USER_INDEXTYPE_COMMENTS lists all comments for user-defined indextypes owned by the current user.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|----------------|----------------|----------|--|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the user-defined indextype |
| INDEXTYPE_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the user-defined indextype |
| COMMENTS | VARCHAR2(4000) | | Comment for the user-defined indextype |

See Also:

- ["DBA_INDEXTYPE_COMMENTS"](#) on page 2-130
- ["USER_INDEXTYPE_COMMENTS"](#) on page 2-200

ALL_INDEXTYPE_OPERATORS

ALL_INDEXTYPE_OPERATORS lists all operators supported by indextypes accessible to the current user.

Related Views

- DBA_INDEXTYPE_OPERATORS lists all operators supported by indextypes in the database.
- USER_INDEXTYPE_OPERATORS lists all operators supported by indextypes owned by the current user.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------------|-----------------|----------|---|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the indextype |
| INDEXTYPE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the indextype |
| OPERATOR_SCHEMA | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the operator schema |
| OPERATOR_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the operator for which the indextype is defined |
| BINDING# | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Binding# associated with the operator |

See Also:

- ["DBA_INDEXTYPE_OPERATORS" on page 2-130](#)
- ["USER_INDEXTYPE_OPERATORS" on page 2-200](#)

ALL_INDEXTYPES

ALL_INDEXTYPES describes all indextypes accessible to the current user.

Related Views

- DBA_INDEXTYPES describes all indextypes in the database.
- USER_INDEXTYPES describes all indextypes owned by the current user.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|------------------------|-----------------|----------|---|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the indextype |
| INDEXTYPE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the indextype |
| IMPLEMENTATION_SCHEMA | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the schema for indextype implementation (that is, containing the indextype operators) |
| IMPLEMENTATION_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of indextype implementation type |
| INTERFACE_VERSION | NUMBER | | Version of indextype interface |
| IMPLEMENTATION_VERSION | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Version of indextype implementation |

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|---------------------|--------------|------|--|
| NUMBER_OF_OPERATORS | NUMBER | | Number of operators associated with the indextype |
| PARTITIONING | VARCHAR2(10) | | Kinds of local partitioning supported by the indextype |

See Also:

- ["DBA_INDEXTYPES"](#) on page 2-130
- ["USER_INDEXTYPES"](#) on page 2-201

ALL_INTERNAL_TRIGGERS

`ALL_INTERNAL_TRIGGERS` describes internal triggers on tables accessible to the current user. Internal triggers are internal pieces of code executed when a particular flag is set for a table.

Related Views

- `DBA_INTERNAL_TRIGGERS` describes internal triggers on all tables in the database. This view does not display the `OWNER_NAME` column.
- `USER_INTERNAL_TRIGGERS` describes all internal triggers on tables owned by the current user. This view does not display the `OWNER_NAME` column.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------------------|--------------|------|---|
| TABLE_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | | Name of the table on which the trigger is defined |
| OWNER_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | | Owner of the table |
| INTERNAL_TRIGGER_TYPE | VARCHAR2(19) | | Indicates the type of internal trigger on the table |

ALL_JOBS

`ALL_JOBS` describes all jobs in the database that are accessible to the current user.

See Also: *Oracle9i Database Administrator's Guide*

Related Views

- `DBA_JOBS` describes all jobs in the database.
- `USER_JOBS` describes all jobs owned by the current user.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-------------|----------------|----------|--|
| JOB | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Identifier of job. Neither import/export nor repeated executions change this value. |
| LOG_USER | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Login user when the job was submitted |
| PRIV_USER | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | User whose default privileges apply to this job |
| SCHEMA_USER | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Default schema used to parse the job For example, if the SCHEMA_USER is SCOTT and you submit the procedure HIRE_EMP as a job, Oracle looks for SCOTT.HIRE_EMP |
| LAST_DATE | DATE | | Date on which this job last successfully executed |
| LAST_SEC | VARCHAR2(8) | | Same as LAST_DATE. This is when the last successful execution started. |
| THIS_DATE | DATE | | Date that this job started executing (usually null if not executing) |
| THIS_SEC | VARCHAR2(8) | | Same as THIS_DATE. This is when the last successful execution started. |
| NEXT_DATE | DATE | NOT NULL | Date that this job will next be executed |
| NEXT_SEC | VARCHAR2(8) | | Same as NEXT_DATE. This is when the last successful execution started. |
| TOTAL_TIME | NUMBER | | Total wall clock time spent by the system on this job, in seconds |
| BROKEN | VARCHAR2(1) | | Y: no attempt is made to run this job N: an attempt is made to run this job |
| INTERVAL | VARCHAR2(200) | NOT NULL | A date function, evaluated at the start of execution, becomes next NEXT_DATE |
| FAILURES | NUMBER | | Number of times this job has started and failed since its last success |
| WHAT | VARCHAR2(4000) | | Body of the anonymous PL/SQL block that this job executes |
| NLS_ENV | VARCHAR2(4000) | | Session parameters describing the NLS environment of the job |
| MISC_ENV | RAW(32) | | Other session parameters that apply to this job |
| INSTANCE | NUMBER | | ID of the instance that can execute or is executing the job. The default is 0. |

ALL_JOIN_IND_COLUMNS

ALL_JOIN_IND_COLUMNS describes the join conditions of bitmap join indexes to which you have access. Bitmap join indexes are indexes built on a child table with

an index key containing columns from associated parent tables, where all of the tables are connected through join conditions. There is one row for each join condition.

Related Views

- **DBA_JOIN_IND_COLUMNS** describes all join conditions existing in the database.
- **USER_JOIN_IND_COLUMNS** describes join conditions owned by the current user. This view does not display the **INDEX_OWNER** column.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-------------------|-----------------|---|
| INDEX_OWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | Bitmap join index owner |
| INDEX_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | Name of bitmap join index |
| INNER_TABLE_OWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | Fact table owner |
| INNER_TABLE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | Name of the fact table |
| OUTER_TABLE_OWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | Dimension table owner |
| OUTER_TABLE_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | Name of the dimension table |
| COL_NAME_INNER | VARCHAR2(4000) | Name of the fact table join column |
| COL_NAME_OUTER | VARCHAR2(4000) | Name of the dimension table join column |

ALL_LIBRARIES

ALL_LIBRARIES describes all the libraries that are accessible to the current user.

Related Views

- **DBA_LIBRARIES** describes all libraries in the database.
- **USER_LIBRARIES** describes libraries owned by the current user. This view does not display the **OWNER** column.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|--------------|-----------------|----------|----------------------|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the library |
| LIBRARY_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Library name |

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------|-------------------|------|---|
| FILE_SPEC | VARCHAR2 (2000) | | Operating system file specification associated with the library |
| DYNAMIC | VARCHAR2 (1) | | Whether the library is dynamically loadable (YES NO) |
| STATUS | VARCHAR2 (7) | | Status of the library (VALID, INVALID, or N/A) |

ALL_LOB_PARTITIONS

ALL_LOB_PARTITIONS displays LOB partitions contained in tables accessible to the user.

Related Views

- DBA_LOB_PARTITIONS describes all LOB partitions in the database.
- USER_LOB_PARTITIONS describes the LOB partitions owned by the current user. This view does not display the TABLE_OWNER column.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|--------------------|-----------------|------|--|
| TABLE_OWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Owner of the table |
| TABLE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Name of the table |
| COLUMN_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Name of the LOB column |
| LOB_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Name of the partitioned LOB item |
| PARTITION_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Name of the table partition |
| LOB_PARTITION_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Name of the LOB data partition |
| LOB_INDPART_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Name of the corresponding LOB index partition |
| PARTITION_POSITION | NUMBER | | Position of the LOB data partition within the LOB item |
| COMPOSITE | VARCHAR2 (3) | | Whether the partition is composite (YES NO) |
| CHUNK | NUMBER | | Value of the CHUNK attribute of the LOB data partition |
| PCTVERSION | NUMBER | | Value of the PCTVERSION attribute of the LOB data partition |
| CACHE | VARCHAR2 (3) | | Whether and how the cluster is to be cached in the buffer cache (CACHE, NOCACHE, CACHEREADS) |
| IN_ROW | VARCHAR2 (3) | | Whether the STORAGE IN ROW attribute is enabled for the LOB data partition |
| TABLESPACE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Name of the tablespace containing the LOB data partition |
| INITIAL_EXTENT | VARCHAR2 (40) | | Size in bytes of the initial extent of the LOB data partition |

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------------|-----------------|------|--|
| NEXT_EXTENT | VARCHAR2 (40) | | Size in bytes of secondary extents of the LOB data partition |
| MIN_EXTENTS | VARCHAR2 (40) | | Minimum number of extents allowed in the segment of the LOB data partition |
| MAX_EXTENTS | VARCHAR2 (40) | | Maximum number of extents allowed in the segment of the LOB data partition |
| PCT_INCREASE | VARCHAR2 (40) | | Percentage increase in extent size for the LOB data partition |
| FREELISTS | VARCHAR2 (40) | | Number of process freelists allocated in the segment of the LOB data partition |
| FREELIST_GROUPS | VARCHAR2 (40) | | Number of freelist groups allocated in the segment of the LOB data partition |
| LOGGING | VARCHAR2 (7) | | Logging attribute of the LOB data partition |
| BUFFER_POOL | VARCHAR2 (7) | | Default buffer pool for the LOB partition blocks |

ALL_LOB_SUBPARTITIONS

ALL_LOB_SUBPARTITIONS displays partition-level attributes of LOB data subpartitions accessible to the current user.

Related Views

- DBA_LOB_SUBPARTITIONS describes all LOB subpartitions in the database.
- USER_LOB_SUBPARTITIONS describes the LOB subpartitions owned by the current user. This view does not display the TABLE_OWNER column.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------------------|-----------------|------|---|
| TABLE_OWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Owner of the table |
| TABLE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Name of the table |
| COLUMN_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Name of the LOB column |
| LOB_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Name of the partitioned LOB item |
| LOB_PARTITION_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Name of LOB data partition to which this LOB data subpartition belongs |
| SUBPARTITION_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Name of the table subpartition to which this LOB subpartition corresponds |
| LOB_SUBPARTITION_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Name of the LOB subpartition |
| LOB_INDSUBPART_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Name of corresponding LOB index subpartition |

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------------------|-----------------|------|--|
| SUBPARTITION_POSITION | NUMBER | | Position of the LOB data partition within the LOB item |
| CHUNK | NUMBER | | Value of the CHUNK attribute of the LOB data partition |
| PCTVERSION | NUMBER | | Value of the PCTVERSION attribute of the LOB data partition |
| CACHE | VARCHAR2 (3) | | Whether and how the cluster is to be cached in the buffer cache (CACHE, NOCACHE, CACHEREADS) |
| IN_ROW | VARCHAR2 (3) | | Whether the STORAGE IN ROW attribute of the LOB data partition is enabled |
| TABLESPACE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Name of the tablespace containing the LOB data partition |
| INITIAL_EXTENT | VARCHAR2 (40) | | Size in bytes of the initial extent for the LOB data partition |
| NEXT_EXTENT | VARCHAR2 (40) | | Size in bytes of secondary extents for the LOB data partition |
| MIN_EXTENTS | VARCHAR2 (40) | | Minimum number of extents allowed in the segment of the LOB data partition |
| MAX_EXTENTS | VARCHAR2 (40) | | Maximum number of extents allowed in the segment of the LOB data partition |
| PCT_INCREASE | VARCHAR2 (40) | | Percentage increase in extent size for the LOB data partition |
| FREELISTS | VARCHAR2 (40) | | Number of process freelists allocated in the segment of the LOB data partition |
| FREELIST_GROUPS | VARCHAR2 (40) | | Number of freelist groups allocated in the segment of the LOB data partition |
| LOGGING | VARCHAR2 (7) | | The logging attribute of the LOB data partition |
| BUFFER_POOL | VARCHAR2 (7) | | Default buffer pool to be used for the LOB data partition blocks |

ALL_LOBS

ALL_LOBS displays the large objects (LOBs) contained in tables accessible to the user. LOBs include binary large objects (BLOBs) and character large objects (CLOBs). Binary files (BFILES) are stored outside the database, so they are not displayed by this view or the related views.

Related Views

- DBA_LOBS describes all LOBs in the database.

- **USER_LOBS** describes the LOBs owned by the current user. This view does not display the OWNER column.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|--------------|----------------|----------|--|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the object containing the LOB |
| TABLE_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the object containing the LOB |
| COLUMN_NAME | VARCHAR2(4000) | | Name of the LOB column or attribute |
| SEGMENT_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the LOB segment |
| INDEX_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the LOB index |
| CHUNK | NUMBER | | Size in bytes of the LOB chunk as a unit of allocation or manipulation |
| PCTVERSION | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Maximum percentage of the LOB space used for versioning |
| CACHE | VARCHAR2(3) | | Whether and how the cluster is to be cached in the buffer cache (CACHE, NOCACHE, CACHEREADS) |
| LOGGING | VARCHAR2(3) | | Whether changes to the LOB are logged |
| IN_ROW | VARCHAR2(3) | | Whether some of the LOBs are stored inline with the base row |

Related Views

- **DBA_OPERATOR_COMMENTS** lists all comments for user-defined operators in the database.
- **USER_OPERATOR_COMMENTS** lists all comments for user-defined operators owned by the current user.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|---------------|----------------|----------|---------------------------------------|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the user-defined operator |
| OPERATOR_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the user-defined operator |
| COMMENTS | VARCHAR2(4000) | | Comment for the user-defined operator |

See Also:

- ["DBA_OPERATOR_COMMENTS"](#) on page 2-138
- ["USER_OPERATOR_COMMENTS"](#) on page 2-205

ALL_LOG_GROUP_COLUMNS

ALL_LOG_GROUP_COLUMNS describes columns that are accessible to the current user and that are specified in log groups.

Related Views

- DBA_LOG_GROUP_COLUMNS describes all columns in the database that are specified in log groups.
- USER_LOG_COLUMN_GROUPS describes columns that are owned by the current user and that are specified in log groups.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|----------------|-------------------|----------|---|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the log group definition |
| LOG_GROUP_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the log group definition |
| TABLE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the table with log group definition |
| COLUMN_NAME | VARCHAR2 (4000) | NOT NULL | Name of the column or attribute of the object type column specified in the log group definition |
| POSITION | NUMBER | | Original position of column or attribute in the definition of the object |

ALL_LOG_GROUPS

ALL_LOG_GROUPS describes log group definitions on tables accessible to the current user.

Related Views

- DBA_LOG_GROUPS describes log group definitions on tables owned by the current users.
- USER_LOG_GROUPS describes log group definitions on all tables in the database.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|----------------|-----------------|----------|---|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the log group definition |
| LOG_GROUP_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the log group definition |
| TABLE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the table with log group definition |
| ALWAYS | VARCHAR2 (6) | | Y indicates the log group is logged any time a row is updated; N indicates the log group is logged any time a member column is updated. |

ALL_METHOD_PARAMS

ALL_METHOD_PARAMS describes method parameters of types accessible to the user.

Related Views

- DBA_METHOD_PARAMS describes all method parameters of all types in the database.
- USER_METHOD_PARAMS describes the method parameters of types owned by the current user. This view does not display the OWNER column.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|--------------------|-----------------|----------|--|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the type |
| TYPE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the type |
| METHOD_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the method |
| METHOD_NO | NUMBER | NOT NULL | For an overloaded method, a number distinguishing this method from others of the same. Do not confuse this number with the object ID. |
| PARAM_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the parameter |
| PARAM_NO | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Parameter number (position) |
| PARAM_MODE | VARCHAR2 (6) | | Mode of the parameter (IN, OUT, IN/ OUT) |
| PARAM_TYPE_MOD | VARCHAR2 (7) | | Whether this parameter is a REF to another object |
| PARAM_TYPE_OWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Owner of the type of the parameter |
| PARAM_TYPE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Name of the type of the parameter |
| CHARACTER_SET_NAME | VARCHAR2 (44) | | Whether the character set or the method is fixed-length character set (CHAR_CS) or fixed-length national character set (NCHAR_CS), or a particular character set specified by the user |

ALL_METHOD_RESULTS

ALL_METHOD_RESULTS describes return types of methods accessible to the user.

Related Views

- DBA_METHOD_RESULTS describes the return types of all methods in the database.
- USER_METHOD_RESULTS describes the return types of methods owned by the current user. This view does not display the OWNER column.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|--------------------|--------------|----------|--|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the method type |
| TYPE_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the method type |
| METHOD_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the method |
| METHOD_NO | NUMBER | NOT NULL | For an overloaded method, a number distinguishing this method from others of the same. Do not confuse this number with the object ID. |
| RESULT_TYPE_MOD | VARCHAR2(7) | NOT NULL | Whether this parameter is a REF to another object |
| RESULT_TYPE_OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | | Owner of the return type |
| RESULT_TYPE_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | | Name of the return type |
| CHARACTER_SET_NAME | VARCHAR2(44) | | Whether the character set or the method is fixed-length character set (CHAR_CS) or fixed-length national character set (NCHAR_CS), or a particular character set specified by the user |

ALL_MVIEW_AGGREGATES

ALL_MVIEW_AGGREGATES describes the grouping functions (aggregate operations) that appear in the SELECT list of materialized aggregate views accessible to the current user.

Related Views

- DBA_MVIEW_AGGREGATES describes all such grouping functions defined for all materialized views in the database.
- USER_MVIEW_AGGREGATES describes all such grouping functions defined for all materialized views owned by the current user.

All three views exclude materialized views that reference remote tables or that include references to a nonstatic value such as SYSDATE or USER. These views also exclude materialized views that were created as "snapshots" prior to Oracle8i and that were never altered to enable query rewrite.

| Column | Datatype | Null | Description |
|------------|--------------|----------|--------------------------------|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the materialized view |
| MVIEW_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the materialized view |

| Column | Datatype | Null | Description |
|--------------------|-----------------|----------|---|
| POSITION_IN_SELECT | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Ordinal position of this aggregation within the SELECT list. For the position of nonaggregate elements of the select list, see "ALL_MVIEW_KEYS" on page 2-48. |
| CONTAINER_COLUMN | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of this column in the container table |
| AGG_FUNCTION | VARCHAR2 (8) | | Aggregation function |
| DISTINCTFLAG | VARCHAR2 (1) | | Whether this aggregation is distinct (Y N) |
| MEASURE | LONG | | SQL text of the measure, excluding the aggregation function. Equal to * for COUNT (*) . |

ALL_MVIEW_ANALYSIS

ALL_MVIEW_ANALYSIS describes the materialized views accessible to the current user. It provides additional information for analysis by applications. Minimal information is displayed for materialized views that do not support query rewrite (such as materialized views with remote master tables or nondeterministic functions).

Related Views

- DBA_MVIEW_ANALYSIS describes all such materialized views in the database.
- USER_MVIEW_ANALYSIS describes all such materialized views owned by the current user.

Note: All of the information in these views is also displayed in ALL_MVIEWS and its related views. Oracle Corporation recommends that you refer to ALL_MVIEWS for this information instead of these views.

| Column | Datatype | Null | Description |
|-------------------|-----------------|----------|--|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the materialized view |
| MVIEW_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the materialized view |
| MVIEW_TABLE_OWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the container table (see next column) |

| Column | Datatype | Null | Description |
|-------------------|-----------------|----------|---|
| CONTAINER_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Name of the internal container in which the materialized view data is held. Normally this is the same as MVIEW_NAME. For materialized views created in releases before 8.1 (or under pre-8.1 compatibility mode), Oracle attaches the 6-byte prefix SNAP\$_ . If MVIEW_NAME has more than 19 bytes, Oracle truncates the name to 19 bytes and adds a 4-byte sequence number as a suffix to produce a nonambiguous CONTAINER_NAME. |
| LAST_REFRESH_SCN | NUMBER | | System change number (SCN) of the last refresh operation |
| LAST_REFRESH_DATE | DATE | | SYSDATE of the last refresh |
| REFRESH_METHOD | VARCHAR2 (8) | | Default refresh method: FORCE, FAST, COMPLETE, or NONE |
| SUMMARY | VARCHAR2 (1) | | Whether this materialized view includes a GROUP BY clause or aggregation (Y N) |
| FULLREFRESHTIM | NUMBER | | Approximate refresh time, in seconds, for full refresh (defined only when SUMMARY = Y) |
| INCREFRESHTIM | NUMBER | | Approximate refresh time, in seconds, for fast refresh (defined only when SUMMARY = Y) |
| CONTAINS_VIEWS | VARCHAR2 (1) | | Whether this materialized view contains a view in its definition (Y N) |
| UNUSABLE | VARCHAR2 (1) | | Whether this materialized view is UNUSABLE (inconsistent data) (Y N). A materialized view can be UNUSABLE if a system failure occurs during a full refresh. |
| RESTRICTED_SYNTAX | VARCHAR2 (1) | | Whether this materialized view had a restriction in its defining query that limits the use of query rewrite (Y N). More complete information is provided by the REWRITE_CAPABILITY column of the ALL_, DBA_, and USER_MVIEWS views. |
| INC_REFRESHABLE | VARCHAR2 (1) | | Whether this materialized view can be fast refreshed (Y N) |
| KNOWN_STALE | VARCHAR2 (1) | | Whether the data contained in the materialized view is known to be inconsistent with the master table data because that has been updated since the last successful refresh (Y N) |
| INVALID | VARCHAR2 (1) | | Whether this materialized view is in an invalid state (inconsistent metadata) (Y N) |
| REWRITE_ENABLED | VARCHAR2 (1) | | Whether this materialized view is currently enabled for query rewrite (Y N) |
| QUERY_LEN | NUMBER | NOT NULL | The length (in bytes) of the query field |
| QUERY | LONG | NOT NULL | SELECT expression of the materialized view definition |
| REVISION | NUMBER | | Reserved for internal use |

ALL_MVIEW_DETAIL_RELATIONS

ALL_MVIEW_DETAIL_RELATIONS describes the named detail relations that are either specified in the FROM list of the subquery that defines a materialized view accessible to the current user, or that are indirectly referenced through views in that FROM list. Inline views in the materialized view definition are not represented in this view or the related views.

Related Views

- DBA_MVIEW_DETAIL_RELATIONS describes all such detail relations defined for all materialized views in the database.
- USER_MVIEW_DETAIL_RELATIONS describes such detail relations defined for all materialized views owned by the current user.

All three views exclude materialized views that reference remote tables or that includes references to a nonstatic value such as SYSDATE or USER. These views also exclude materialized views that were created as *snapshots* prior to Oracle8i and that were never altered to enable query rewrite.

| Column | Datatype | Null | Description |
|-----------------|--------------|----------|---|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the materialized view |
| MVIEW_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the materialized view |
| DETAILOBJ_OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Detail object owner |
| DETAILOBJ_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Detail object name (that is, the name of a table or view) |
| DETAILOBJ_TYPE | VARCHAR2(9) | | TABLE, VIEW, SNAPSHOT, CONTAINER, or UNDEFINED |
| DETAILOBJ_ALIAS | VARCHAR2(30) | | Implicit or explicit alias for detail relation |

ALL_MVIEW_JOINS

ALL_MVIEW_JOINS describes joins between two columns in the WHERE clause of the subquery that defines a materialized view accessible to the current user.

Related Views

- DBA_MVIEW_JOINS describes all such joins for all materialized views in the database.
- USER_MVIEW_JOINS describes such joins for all materialized views owned by the current user.

All three views exclude materialized views that reference remote tables or that includes references to a nonstatic value such as `SYSDATE` or `USER`. These views also exclude materialized views that were created as "snapshots" prior to Oracle8i and that were never altered to enable query rewrite.

| Column | Datatype | Null | Description |
|---|--------------|----------|--|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the materialized view |
| MVIEW_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Materialized view name |
| Note: The next 8 rows relate only to materialized join views and materialized aggregate views. They describe the two detail objects of a materialized view join. | | | |
| DETAILOBJ1_OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | The owner of the first object in the join |
| DETAILOBJ1_RELATION | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | The name of the first object in the join |
| DETAILOBJ1_COLUMN | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | The join column of the first object in the join |
| OPERATOR | CHAR(1) | | The join operator |
| OPERATOR_TYPE | VARCHAR2(1) | | Whether the join is an inner or outer join |
| DETAILOBJ2_OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | The owner of the second object in the join |
| DETAILOBJ2_RELATION | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | The name of the second object in the join |
| DETAILOBJ2_COLUMN | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | The join column of the second object in the join |

ALL_MVIEW_KEYS

`ALL_MVIEW_KEYS` describes the columns or expressions in the `SELECT` list upon which materialized views accessible to the current user are based.

Related Views

- `DBA_MVIEW_KEYS` describes such columns and expressions for all materialized views in the database.
- `USER_MVIEW_KEYS` describes such columns and expressions for all materialized views owned by the current user.

All three views exclude materialized views that reference remote tables or that includes references to a nonstatic value such as `SYSDATE` or `USER`. These views also exclude materialized views that were created as *snapshots* prior to Oracle8i and that were never altered to enable query rewrite.

| Column | Datatype | Null | Description |
|--------|--------------|----------|--------------------------------|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the materialized view |

| Column | Datatype | Null | Description |
|--------------------|--------------|----------|---|
| MVIEW_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Materialized view name |
| POSITION_IN_SELECT | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Ordinal position of this key within the SELECT list |
| CONTAINER_COLUMN | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the column in the container table |
| DETAILOBJ_OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Detail object owner |
| DETAILOBJ_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Detail object name (for example, the name of a table or view) |
| DETAILOBJ_TYPE | VARCHAR2(5) | | Detail object type (VIEW TABLE) |
| DETAILOBJ_ALIAS | VARCHAR2(30) | | Implicit or explicit alias for detail relation |
| DETAILOBJ_COLUMN | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the detail relation column |

ALL_MVIEW_REFRESH_TIMES

ALL_MVIEW_REFRESH_TIMES describes refresh times of materialized views accessible to the current owner.

Related Views

- DBA_MVIEW_REFRESH_TIMES describes refresh times of all materialized views in the database.
- USER_MVIEW_REFRESH_TIMES describes refresh times of all materialized views owned by the current user.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|--------------|--------------|----------|--------------------------------|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the materialized view |
| NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the materialized view |
| MASTER_OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | | Owner of the master table |
| MASTER | VARCHAR2(30) | | Name of the master table |
| LAST_REFRESH | DATE | | The last refresh |

See Also:

- ["DBA_MVIEW_REFRESH_TIMES"](#) on page 2-135
- ["USER_MVIEW_REFRESH_TIMES"](#) on page 2-204

ALL_MVIEWS

ALL_MVIEWS describes all materialized views accessible to the current user.

Related views:

- DBA_MVIEWS describes all materialized views in the database.
- USER_MVIEWS describes all materialized views owned by the current user.

See Also:

- *Oracle9i Replication* for more information on materialized views to support replication
- *Oracle9i Data Warehousing Guide* for more information on materialized views to support data warehousing

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|---------------------|-----------------|----------|--|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Schema in which the materialized view was created |
| MVIEW_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the materialized view |
| CONTAINER_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the container in which the materialized view's data is held. Normally this is the same as MVIEW_NAME. For materialized views created in releases before 8.1 (or under pre-8.1 compatibility mode), Oracle attaches the 6-byte prefix SNAP\$_. If MVIEW_NAME has more than 19 bytes, Oracle truncates the name to 19 bytes and may add a 4-byte sequence number as a suffix to produce a nonambiguous CONTAINER_NAME. |
| QUERY | LONG | | The query that defines the materialized view |
| QUERY_LEN | NUMBER(38) | | Length in bytes of the defining query |
| UPDATABLE | VARCHAR2(1) | | Whether the materialized view is updatable (Y N) |
| UPDATE_LOG | VARCHAR2(30) | | For updatable materialized views, the filename of the update log |
| MASTER_ROLLBACK_SEG | VARCHAR2(30) | | Rollback segment for the master site or master materialized view site |
| MASTER_LINK | VARCHAR2(128) | | Database link for the master site or master materialized view site |
| REWRITE_ENABLED | VARCHAR2(1) | | Whether rewrite is enabled (Y N) |

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|------------------------|----------------|------|--|
| REWRITE_ CAPABILITY | VARCHAR2 (9) | | <p>Whether the materialized view is eligible for rewrite, and if so, what rules must be followed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ NONE: The materialized view cannot be used for rewrite, because rewrite is disallowed or prevented. ■ TEXTMATCH: The defining query of the materialized view contained restrictions on the use of query rewrite. ■ GENERAL: The defining query of the materialized view contained no restrictions on the use of query rewrite, so Oracle can apply any rewrite rule that is supported. |
| REFRESH_MODE | VARCHAR2 (6) | | <p>Refresh mode of the materialized view:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ DEMAND: Oracle refreshes this materialized view whenever an appropriate refresh procedure is called. ■ COMMIT: Oracle refreshes this materialized view when a transaction on one of the materialized view's masters commits. ■ NEVER: Oracle never refreshes this materialized view. |
| REFRESH_METHOD | VARCHAR2 (8) | | <p>Default method used to refresh the materialized view. (Can be overridden through the API.)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ COMPLETE (C): The materialized view is completely refreshed from the masters. ■ FORCE (?): Oracle performs a fast refresh if possible, otherwise a complete refresh. ■ FAST (F): Oracle performs an incremental refresh applying changes that correspond to changes in the masters since the last refresh. ■ NEVER (N): The user specified that Oracle should not refresh this materialized view. |
| BUILD_MODE | VARCHAR2 (9) | | <p>How the materialized view was populated during creation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ IMMEDIATE: Populated from the masters during creation. ■ DEFERRED: Not populated during creation. Must be explicitly populated later by the user. ■ PREBUILT: Populated with an existing table during creation. The relationship of the contents of this prebuilt table to the materialized view's masters is unknown to Oracle. |

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|--------------------|--------------|------|---|
| FAST_REFRESHABLE | VARCHAR2(18) | | <p>Whether or not the materialized view is eligible for incremental (fast) refresh. Oracle calculates this value statically, based on the materialized view definition query.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ NO: The materialized view is not fast refreshable, and hence is complex. ■ DIRLOAD: Fast refresh is supported only for direct loads. ■ DML: Fast refresh is supported only for DML operations. ■ DIRLOAD_DML: Fast refresh is supported for both direct loads and DML operations. ■ DIRLOAD_LIMITEDDML: Fast refresh is supported for direct loads and a subset of DML operations. |
| LAST_REFRESH_TYPE | VARCHAR2(8) | | <p>The method used for the most recent refresh:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ COMPLETE: The most recent refresh was complete. ■ FAST: The most recent refresh was fast (incremental). ■ NA: the materialized view has not yet been refreshed (for example, if it was created DEFERRED). |
| LAST_REFRESH_DATE | DATE | | <p>Date on which the materialized view was most recently refreshed. Blank if not yet populated.</p> |
| STALENESS | VARCHAR2(9) | | <p>The relationship between the contents of the materialized view and the contents of the materialized view's masters.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ FRESH: The materialized view is a read-consistent view of the current state of its masters. ■ STALE: The materialized view is out of date because one or more of its masters has changed. If the materialized view was FRESH before it became STALE, it is a read-consistent view of a former state of its masters. ■ UNUSABLE: The materialized view is not a read-consistent view of its masters from any point in time. ■ UNKNOWN: Oracle does not know whether the materialized view is in a read-consistent view of its masters from any point in time. (This is the case for materialized views created on prebuilt tables.) ■ UNDEFINED: The materialized view has remote masters. The concept of staleness is not defined for such materialized views. |
| AFTER_FAST_REFRESH | VARCHAR2(9) | | <p>Specifies the staleness value that will occur if a fast refresh is applied to this materialized view. Its values are the same as for the STALENESS column, plus the value NA, which is used when fast refresh is not applicable to this materialized view.</p> |

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|---------------|--------------|------|--|
| COMPILE_STATE | VARCHAR2(13) | | Validity of the materialized view with respect to the objects upon which it depends: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> VALID: The materialized view has been validated without error, and no object upon which it depends has changed since the last validation. NEEDS_COMPILE: Some object upon which the materialized view depends has changed (other than normal DML changes). An <code>ALTER MATERIALIZED VIEW...COMPILE</code> statement is required to validate this materialized view. ERROR: The materialized view has been validated with one or more errors. |
| USE_NO_INDEX | VARCHAR2(1) | | Y if the materialized view was created using the <code>USING NO INDEX</code> clause, which suppresses the creation of the default index. N if the materialized view was created with the default index. |

See Also:

- ["DBA_MVIEWS"](#) on page 2-135
- ["USER_MVIEWS"](#) on page 2-204

ALL_NESTED_TABLES

ALL_NESTED_TABLES describes the nested tables in tables accessible to the user.

Related Views

- DBA_NESTED_TABLES describes all nested tables in the database.
- USER_NESTED_TABLES describes nested tables owned by the current user. This view does not display the OWNER column.

| Column | Datatype | Null | Description |
|---------------------|----------------|------|--|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | | Owner of the nested table |
| TABLE_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | | Name of the nested table |
| TABLE_TYPE_OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | | Owner of the type of which the nested table was created |
| TABLE_TYPE_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | | Name of the type of the nested table |
| PARENT_TABLE_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | | Name of the parent table containing the nested table |
| PARENT_TABLE_COLUMN | VARCHAR2(4000) | | Column name of the parent table that corresponds to the nested table |

| Column | Datatype | Null | Description |
|--------------|-----------------|------|---|
| STORAGE_SPEC | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Whether storage for the nested table is USER-SPECIFIED or DEFAULT |
| RETURN_TYPE | VARCHAR2 (20) | | Return type of the varray column (LOCATOR VALUE) |

ALL_OBJECT_TABLES

ALL_OBJECT_TABLES describes all object tables accessible to the user.

Related Views

- DBA_OBJECT_TABLES describes all object tables in the database.
- USER_OBJECT_TABLES describes all object tables owned by the current user. This view does not display the OWNER column.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------------|-----------------|----------|--|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the table |
| TABLE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the table |
| TABLESPACE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the tablespace containing the table |
| CLUSTER_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Name of the cluster, if any, to which the table belongs |
| IOT_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Name of the index-organized table, if any, to which the overflow entry belongs |
| PCT_FREE | NUMBER | | Minimum percentage of free space in a block |
| PCT_USED | NUMBER | | Minimum percentage of used space in a block |
| INI_TRANS | NUMBER | | Initial number of transactions |
| MAX_TRANS | NUMBER | | Maximum number of transactions |
| INITIAL_EXTENT | NUMBER | | Size in bytes of the initial extent |
| NEXT_EXTENT | NUMBER | | Size in bytes of secondary extents |
| MIN_EXTENTS | NUMBER | | Minimum number of extents allowed in the segment |
| MAX_EXTENTS | NUMBER | | Maximum number of extents allowed in the segment |
| PCT_INCREASE | NUMBER | | Percentage increase in extent size |
| FREELISTS | NUMBER | | Number of process freelists allocated in this segment |

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|---------------------------|--------------|----------|---|
| FREELIST_GROUPS | NUMBER | | Number of freelist groups allocated in this segment |
| LOGGING | VARCHAR2(3) | | Logging attribute |
| BACKED_UP | VARCHAR2(1) | | Whether the table has been backed up since last modification |
| NUM_ROWS | NUMBER | | Number of rows in the table |
| BLOCKS | NUMBER | | Number of used blocks in the table |
| EMPTY_BLOCKS | NUMBER | | Number of empty (never used) blocks in the table |
| AVG_SPACE | NUMBER | | Average available free space in the table |
| CHAIN_CNT | NUMBER | | Number of chained rows in the table |
| AVG_ROW_LEN | NUMBER | | Average row length, including row overhead |
| AVG_SPACE_FREELIST_BLOCKS | NUMBER | | Average free space of all blocks on a freelist |
| NUM_FREELIST_BLOCKS | NUMBER | | Number of blocks on the freelist |
| DEGREE | VARCHAR2(10) | | Number of parallel execution processes per instance for scanning the table |
| INSTANCES | VARCHAR2(10) | | Number of instances across which the table is to be scanned |
| CACHE | VARCHAR2(5) | | Whether the cluster is to be cached in the buffer cache (CACHE NOCACHE) |
| TABLE_LOCK | VARCHAR2(8) | | Whether table locking is enabled or disabled |
| SAMPLE_SIZE | NUMBER | | Sample size used in analyzing this table |
| LAST_ANALYZED | DATE | | Date on which this table was most recently analyzed |
| PARTITIONED | VARCHAR2(3) | | Whether the table is partitioned (YES NO) |
| IOT_TYPE | VARCHAR2(12) | | If index organized table, then IOT_TYPE is IOT or IOT_OVERFLOW else NULL |
| OBJECT_ID_TYPE | VARCHAR2(16) | | Whether the object ID (OID) is USER-DEFINED or SYSTEM-GENERATED |
| TABLE_TYPE_OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the type of the table if the table is a typed table |
| TABLE_TYPE | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Type of the table if the table is a typed table |
| TEMPORARY | VARCHAR2(1) | | Whether this is a temporary table |
| SECONDARY | VARCHAR2(1) | | Whether the object table is a secondary object created by the ODCIIndexCreate method of the Oracle8i Data Cartridge (Y N) |

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|--------------|-----------------|------|--|
| NESTED | VARCHAR2 (3) | | Whether the table a nested table |
| BUFFER_POOL | VARCHAR2 (7) | | Default buffer pool to be used for table blocks |
| ROW_MOVEMENT | VARCHAR2 (8) | | Whether partitioned row movement is ENABLED or DISABLED |
| GLOBAL_STATS | VARCHAR2 (3) | | For partitioned object tables, whether statistics were collected for the table as a whole (YES) or were estimated from statistics on underlying partitions and subpartitions (NO). |
| USER_STATS | VARCHAR2 (3) | | Whether statistics were entered directly by the user |
| DURATION | VARCHAR2 (15) | | Indicates the duration of a temporary table: <ul style="list-style-type: none">■ SYS\$SESSION: the rows are preserved for the duration of the session■ SYS\$TRANSACTION: the rows are deleted after COMMIT Null for a permanent table |
| SKIP_CORRUPT | VARCHAR2 (8) | | Whether Oracle ignores blocks marked corrupt during table and index scans (ENABLED) or raises an error (DISABLED). To enable this feature, run the DBMS_REPAIR.SKIP_CORRUPT_BLOCKS procedure. |
| MONITORING | VARCHAR2 (3) | | Whether the table has the MONITORING attribute set |

ALL_OBJECTS

ALL_OBJECTS describes all objects accessible to the user.

Related Views

- DBA_OBJECTS describes all objects in the database.
- USER_OBJECTS describes all objects owned by the current user. This view does not display the OWNER column.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|----------------|-----------------|----------|--|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the object |
| OBJECT_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the object |
| SUBOBJECT_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Name of the subobject (for example, partition) |
| OBJECT_ID | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Dictionary object number of the object |

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|----------------|--------------|----------|--|
| DATA_OBJECT_ID | NUMBER | | Dictionary object number of the segment that contains the object Note: OBJECT_ID and DATA_OBJECT_ID display data dictionary metadata. Do not confuse these numbers with the unique 16-byte object identifier (<i>object ID</i>) that Oracle assigns to row objects in object tables in the system. |
| OBJECT_TYPE | VARCHAR2(15) | | Type of the object (such as TABLE, INDEX) |
| CREATED | DATE | NOT NULL | Timestamp for the creation of the object |
| LAST_DDL_TIME | DATE | NOT NULL | Timestamp for the last modification of the object resulting from a DDL command (including grants and revokes) |
| TIMESTAMP | VARCHAR2(20) | | Timestamp for the specification of the object (character data) |
| STATUS | VARCHAR2(7) | | Status of the object (VALID, INVALID, or N/A) |
| TEMPORARY | VARCHAR2(1) | | Whether the object is temporary (the current session can see only data that it placed in this object itself) |
| GENERATED | VARCHAR2(1) | | Was the name of this object system generated? (Y N) |
| SECONDARY | VARCHAR2(1) | | Whether this is a secondary object created by the ODCIIndexCreate method of the Oracle9i Data Cartridge (Y N) |

ALL_OPANCILLARY

ALL_OPANCILLARY describes operators whose bindings are ancillary to other (primary) operators.

Related Views

- DBA_OPANCILLARY provides such information about all operators in the database.
- USER_OPANCILLARY provides such information about operators owned by the current user.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|---------------|--------------|----------|--|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the ancillary operator |
| OPERATOR_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the ancillary operator |
| BINDING# | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Binding number the of ancillary operator |
| PRIMOP_OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the primary operator |

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|--------------|--------------|----------|--|
| PRIMOP_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the primary operator |
| PRIMOP_BIND# | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Binding number of the primary operator |

ALL_OPARGUMENTS

ALL_OPARGUMENTS describes arguments for each operator binding accessible to the current user.

Related Views

- DBA_OPARGUMENTS describes arguments of all operator bindings in the database.
- USER_OPARGUMENTS describes arguments of all operator bindings owned by the current user.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|---------------|--------------|----------|--|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the operator argument |
| OPERATOR_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the operator argument |
| BINDING# | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Binding number of the operator argument |
| POSITION | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Position of the operator argument (1, 2, 3, ...) |
| ARGUMENT_TYPE | VARCHAR2(61) | | Datatype of the operator argument |

ALL_OPBINDINGS

ALL_OPBINDINGS describes operator bindings accessible to the current user.

Related Views

- DBA_OPBINDINGS describes bindings of all operators in the database.
- USER_OPBINDINGS describes bindings of all operators owned by the current user.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|---------------|--------------|----------|--------------------------------|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the operator |
| OPERATOR_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the operator |
| BINDING# | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Binding number of the operator |

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|--------------------------------|--------------|------|---|
| FUNCTION_NAME | VARCHAR2(92) | | Name of the binding function or method as specified by the user |
| RETURN_SCHEMA | VARCHAR2(30) | | If the return type of the binding is an object type, the schema of the type |
| RETURN_TYPE | VARCHAR2(30) | | Name of the return type |
| IMPLEMENTATION_ TYPE_SCHEMA | VARCHAR2(30) | | If the operator was created WITH INDEX CONTEXT, SCAN CONTEXT, this column displays the schema of the implementation type used by the functional implementation of the operator as a scan context. (Blank if the operator was created without this syntax.) See Also: the CREATE OPERATOR statement in <i>Oracle9i SQL Reference</i> |
| IMPLEMENTATION_TYPE | VARCHAR2(30) | | If the operator was created WITH INDEX CONTEXT, SCAN CONTEXT, this column displays the name of the implementation type used by the functional implementation of the operator as a scan context. (Blank if the operator was created without this syntax.) See Also: the CREATE OPERATOR statement in <i>Oracle9i SQL Reference</i> |

ALL_OPERATOR_COMMENTS

ALL_OPERATOR_COMMENTS lists all comments for user-defined operators accessible to the current user.

ALL_OPERATORS

ALL_OPERATORS describes operators accessible to the current user.

Related Views

- DBA_OPERATORS describes all operators in the database.
- USER_OPERATORS describes all operators owned by the current user.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------------|--------------|----------|---|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the operator |
| OPERATOR_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the operator |
| NUMBER_OF_BINDS | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Number of bindings associated with the operator |

See Also:

- ["DBA_OPERATORS"](#) on page 2-138
- ["USER_OPERATORS"](#) on page 2-205

ALL_OUTLINE_HINTS

ALL_OUTLINE_HINTS describes the set of hints stored in outlines accessible to the user.

Related Views

- DBA_OUTLINE_HINTS describes such hints for all outlines in the database. This is the only one of the three views that displays the OWNER column.
- USER_OUTLINE_HINTS describes such hints for all outlines owned by the current user.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|----------|-----------------|------|---|
| NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | | Name of the outline |
| OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | | Name of the user who created the outline |
| NODE | NUMBER | | ID of the query or subquery to which the hint applies. The top-level query is labeled 1. Subqueries are assigned sequentially numbered labels, starting with 2. |
| STAGE | NUMBER | | Outline hints can be applied at three different stages during the compilation process. This column indicates the stage at which this hint was applied. |
| JOIN_POS | NUMBER | | Position of the table in the join order. The value is 0 for all hints except access method hints, which identify a table to which the hint and the join position apply. |
| HINT | VARCHAR2(512) | | Text of the hint |

ALL_OUTLINES

ALL_OUTLINES describes all stored outlines accessible to the current user.

Related Views

- DBA_OUTLINES describes all stored outlines in the database. This is the only one of the three views that displays the OWNER column.
- USER_OUTLINES describes all stored outlines owned by the current user.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------|-----------------|------|--|
| NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | User-specified or generated name of the stored outline. The name must be of a form that can be expressed in SQL. |
| OWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Name of the user who created the outline |
| CATEGORY | VARCHAR2 (30) | | User-defined name of the category to which this outline belongs |
| USED | VARCHAR2 (9) | | Whether the outline has ever been used (USED, UNUSED, or UNDEFINED) |
| TIMESTAMP | DATE | | Timestamp of outline creation |
| VERSION | VARCHAR2 (64) | | Oracle version that created the outline |
| SQL_TEXT | LONG | | SQL text of the query, including any hints that were a part of the original statement. If bind variables are included, the variable names are stored as SQL text, not the values that are assigned to the variables. Note: This field may contain sensitive information about your database or application. Therefore, use discretion when granting SELECT or VIEW object privileges on these views. |

ALL_PART_COL_STATISTICS

ALL_PART_COL_STATISTICS provides column statistics and histogram information for table partitions accessible to the current user.

Related Views

- DBA_PART_COL_STATISTICS provides such information for all table partitions in the database.
- USER_PART_COL_STATISTICS provides such information for all partitions of tables owned by the current user. This view does not display the OWNER column.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|----------------|-----------------|----------|---|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the partitioned table |
| TABLE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the table |
| PARTITION_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Name of the table partition |
| COLUMN_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the column |
| NUM_DISTINCT | NUMBER | | Number of distinct values in the column |

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|---------------|----------------|------|---|
| LOW_VALUE | RAW (32) | | Low value in the column |
| HIGH_VALUE | RAW (32) | | High value in the column |
| DENSITY | NUMBER | | Density of the column |
| NUM_NULLS | NUMBER | | Number of nulls in the column |
| NUM_BUCKETS | NUMBER | | Number of buckets in histogram for the column |
| SAMPLE_SIZE | NUMBER | | Sample size used in analyzing this column |
| LAST_ANALYZED | DATE | | Date on which this column was most recently analyzed |
| GLOBAL_STATS | VARCHAR2 (3) | | Indicates whether column statistics were collected for the partition as a whole (YES) or were estimated from statistics on underlying subpartitions (NO). |
| USER_STATS | VARCHAR2 (3) | | Whether the statistics were entered directly by the user |
| AVG_COL_LEN | NUMBER | | Average length of the column, in bytes |

ALL_PART_HISTOGRAMS

ALL_PART_HISTOGRAMS provides the histogram data (endpoints per histogram) for histograms on table partitions accessible to the current user.

Note: These views are populated only if you collect statistics on the index using the ANALYZE statement or the DBMS_STATS package.

Related Views

- DBA_PART_HISTOGRAMS provides such information for all table partitions in the database.
- USER_PART_HISTOGRAMS provides such information for all partitions of tables owned by the current user. This view does not display the OWNER column.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|----------------|-----------------|------|-----------------------------|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Owner of the table |
| TABLE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Name of the table |
| PARTITION_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Name of the table partition |
| COLUMN_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Name of the column |

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------------------|----------------|------|---|
| BUCKET_NUMBER | NUMBER | | Bucket number of the histogram |
| ENDPOINT_VALUE | NUMBER | | Normalized endpoint values for this bucket |
| ENDPOINT_ACTUAL_VALUE | VARCHAR2(1000) | | Actual (not normalized) string value of the endpoint for this bucket. |

ALL_PART_INDEXES

ALL_PART_INDEXES provides object-level partitioning information for all partitioned indexes accessible to the current user.

Related Views

- DBA_PART_INDEXES provides such information for all partitioned indexes in the database.
- USER_PART_INDEXES provides such information for all partitioned indexes owned by the current user. This view does not display the OWNER column.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|---------------------------|--------------|----------|---|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Owner of this partitioned index |
| INDEX_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of this partitioned index |
| TABLE_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of this partitioned table |
| PARTITIONING_TYPE | VARCHAR2(7) | | RANGE, HASH, SYSTEM, or UNKNOWN |
| SUBPARTITIONING_TYPE | VARCHAR2(7) | | HASH, SYSTEM, or NONE |
| PARTITION_COUNT | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Number of partitions in this index |
| DEF_SUBPARTITION_COUNT | NUMBER | NOT NULL | For a composite-partitioned index, the default number of subpartitions, if specified |
| PARTITIONING_KEY_COUNT | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Number of columns in the partitioning key |
| SUBPARTITIONING_KEY_COUNT | NUMBER | NOT NULL | For a composite-partitioned index, the number of columns in the subpartitioning key |
| LOCALITY | VARCHAR2(6) | | Whether this partitioned index is LOCAL or GLOBAL |
| ALIGNMENT | VARCHAR2(12) | | Whether this partitioned index is PREFIXED or NON-PREFIXED |
| DEF_TABLESPACE_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | | For a local index, the default tablespace to be used when adding or splitting a table partition |

ALL_PART_KEY_COLUMNS

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|---------------------|----------------|----------|---|
| DEF_PCT_FREE | NUMBER | NOT NULL | For a local index, the default PCTFREE value to be used when adding a table partition |
| DEF_INI_TRANS | NUMBER | NOT NULL | For a local index, the default INITRANS to be used when adding a table partition |
| DEF_MAX_TRANS | NUMBER | NOT NULL | For a local index, the default MAXTRANS to be used when adding a table partition |
| DEF_INITIAL_EXTENT | VARCHAR2(40) | NOT NULL | For a local index, the default INITIAL value to be used when adding a table partition, or DEFAULT if no INITIAL value was specified |
| DEF_NEXT_EXTENT | VARCHAR2(40) | NOT NULL | For a local index, the default NEXT, or DEFAULT if no NEXT value was specified |
| DEF_MIN_EXTENTS | VARCHAR2(40) | NOT NULL | For a local index, the default MINEXTENTS value to be used when adding a table partition, or DEFAULT if no MINEXTENTS value was specified |
| DEF_MAX_EXTENTS | VARCHAR2(40) | NOT NULL | For a local index, the default MAXEXTENTS value to be used when adding a table partition, or DEFAULT if no MAXEXTENTS value was specified |
| DEF_PCT_INCREASE | VARCHAR2(40) | NOT NULL | For a local index, the default PCTINCREASE value to be used when adding a table partition, or DEFAULT if no PCTINCREASE value was specified |
| DEF_FREELISTS | NUMBER | NOT NULL | For a local index, the default FREELISTS value to be used when adding a table partition, or DEFAULT if no FREELISTS value was specified |
| DEF_FREELIST_GROUPS | NUMBER | NOT NULL | For a local index, the default FREELIST GROUPS value to be used when adding a table partition, or DEFAULT if no FREELIST GROUPS value was specified |
| DEF_LOGGING | VARCHAR2(7) | | For a local index, the default LOGGING attribute to be used when adding a table partition, or DEFAULT if no LOGGING attribute was specified |
| DEF_BUFFER_POOL | VARCHAR2(7) | | For a local index, the default buffer pool to be used when adding a table partition |
| DEF_PARAMETERS | VARCHAR2(1000) | | |

ALL_PART_KEY_COLUMNS

ALL_PART_KEY_COLUMNS describes the partitioning key columns for partitioned objects accessible to the current user.

Related Views

- **DBA_PART_KEY_COLUMNS** describes partitioning key columns for all partitions of all partitioned objects in the database.
- **USER_PART_KEY_COLUMNS** describes partitioning key columns for partitions of all objects owned by the current user. This view does not display the **OWNER** column.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------------|-----------------|------|--|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Owner of the partitioned table or index |
| NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Name of the partitioned table or index |
| OBJECT_TYPE | VARCHAR2 (11) | | Object type (TABLE INDEX) |
| COLUMN_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Name of the column |
| COLUMN_POSITION | NUMBER | | Position of the column within the partitioning key |

ALL_PART_LOBS

ALL_PART_LOBS provides table-level information about partitioned LOBs that are accessible to the current user, including default attributes for LOB data partitions.

Related Views

- **DBA_PART_LOBS** provides such information for all partitioned LOBs in the database.
- **USER_PART_LOBS** provides such information for all partitioned LOBs owned by the current user. This view does not display the **OWNER** column.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|----------------|-----------------|----------|--|
| TABLE_OWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the partitioned table containing LOB(s) |
| TABLE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the partitioned table containing LOB(s) |
| COLUMN_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the LOB column |
| LOB_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the partitioned LOB |
| LOB_INDEX_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the partitioned LOB index |
| DEF_CHUNK | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Default value of CHUNK for a LOB data partition to be used when adding a partition |
| DEF_PCTVERSION | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Default value of PCTVERSION for a LOB data partition to be used when adding a partition |

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|---------------------|--------------|------|---|
| DEF_CACHE | VARCHAR2(3) | | Whether and how the cluster is to be cached by default in the buffer cache (CACHE, NOCACHE, CACHEREADS) |
| DEF_IN_ROW | VARCHAR2(3) | | Whether LOB data < 4000 bytes is stored in the row (inline)—that is, whether <code>ENABLE STORAGE IN ROW</code> was specified when the LOB column was created or last altered |
| DEF_TABLESPACE_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | | Default tablespace for a LOB data partition to be used when adding a partition |
| DEF_INITIAL_EXTENT | VARCHAR2(40) | | Default value of <code>INITIAL</code> for a LOB data partition to be used when adding a partition |
| DEF_NEXT_EXTENT | VARCHAR2(40) | | Default value of <code>NEXT</code> for a LOB data partition to be used when adding a partition |
| DEF_MIN_EXTENTS | VARCHAR2(40) | | Default value of <code>MINEXTENT</code> for a LOB data partition to be used when adding a partition |
| DEF_MAX_EXTENTS | VARCHAR2(40) | | Default value of <code>MAXEXTENTS</code> for a LOB data partition to be used when adding a partition |
| DEF_PCT_INCREASE | VARCHAR2(40) | | Default value of <code>PCTINCREASE</code> for a LOB data partition to be used when adding a partition |
| DEF_FREELISTS | VARCHAR2(40) | | Default value of <code>FREELISTS</code> for a LOB data partition to be used when adding a partition |
| DEF_FREELIST_GROUPS | VARCHAR2(40) | | Default value of <code>FREELIST GROUPS</code> for a LOB data partition to be used when adding a partition |
| DEF_LOGGING | VARCHAR2(7) | | Default <code>LOGGING</code> attribute for a LOB data partition to be used when adding a partition |
| DEF_BUFFER_POOL | VARCHAR2(7) | | Default buffer pool for a LOB data partition to be used when adding a partition |

ALL_PART_TABLES

`ALL_PART_TABLES` provides object-level partitioning information for partitioned tables accessible to the current user.

Related Views

- `DBA_PART_TABLES` provides such information for all partitioned tables in the database.
- `USER_PART_TABLES` provides such information for all partitioned tables owned by the current user. This view does not display the `OWNER` column.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|---------------------------|--------------|----------|--|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the partitioned table |
| TABLE_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the partitioned table |
| PARTITIONING_TYPE | VARCHAR2(7) | | Type of partitioning (RANGE HASH) |
| SUBPARTITIONING_TYPE | VARCHAR2(7) | | Type of subpartitioning (HASH NONE) |
| PARTITION_COUNT | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Number of partitions in this table |
| DEF_SUBPARTITION_COUNT | NUMBER | NOT NULL | For a composite-partitioned table, the default number of subpartitions, if specified |
| PARTITIONING_KEY_COUNT | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Number of columns in the partitioning key |
| SUBPARTITIONING_KEY_COUNT | NUMBER | NOT NULL | For a composite-partitioned table, the number of columns in the subpartitioning key |
| DEF_TABLESPACE_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Default tablespace to be used when adding a partition |
| DEF_PCT_FREE | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Default value of PCTFREE to be used when adding a partition |
| DEF_PCT_USED | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Default value of PCTUSED to be used when adding a partition |
| DEF_INI_TRANS | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Default value of INITRANS to be used when adding a partition |
| DEF_MAX_TRANS | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Default value of MAXTRANS to be used when adding a partition |
| DEF_INITIAL_EXTENT | VARCHAR2(40) | | Default value of INITIAL to be used when adding a partition. DEFAULT if INITIAL was not specified. |
| DEF_NEXT_EXTENT | VARCHAR2(40) | | Default value of NEXT to be used when adding a partition. DEFAULT if NEXT was not specified. |
| DEF_MIN_EXTENTS | VARCHAR2(40) | | Default value of MINEXTENTS to be used when adding a partition. DEFAULT if MINEXTENTS was not specified. |
| DEF_MAX_EXTENTS | VARCHAR2(40) | | Default value of MAXEXTENTS to be used when adding a partition. DEFAULT if MAXEXTENTS was not specified. |
| DEF_PCT_INCREASE | VARCHAR2(40) | | Default value of PCTINCREASE to be used when adding a partition. DEFAULT if PCTINCREASE was not specified. |
| DEF_FREELISTS | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Default value of FREELISTS to be used when adding a partition |
| DEF_FREELIST_GROUPS | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Default value of FREELIST GROUPS to be used when adding a partition |

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------------|-------------|------|--|
| DEF_LOGGING | VARCHAR2(7) | | Default logging attribute to be used when adding a partition |
| DEF_BUFFER_POOL | VARCHAR2(7) | | Default buffer pool to be used when adding a partition |

ALL_PARTIAL_DROP_TABS

ALL_PARTIAL_DROP_TABS describes tables accessible to the current user that have partially completed DROP COLUMN operations. Such operations might have been interrupted by the user or by a system crash.

Related Views

- **DBA_PARTIAL_DROP_TABS** describes all tables in the database that have partially completed DROP COLUMN operations.
- **USER_PARTIAL_DROP_TABS** describes tables in the schema of the current user that have partially completed DROP COLUMN operations. This view does not display the OWNER column.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|------------|--------------|----------|---------------------|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the object |
| TABLE_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the table |

ALL_POLICIES

ALL_POLICIES describes all security policies on all tables and views accessible to the current user.

Related Views

- **DBA_POLICIES** describes all policies in the database.
- **USER_POLICIES** describes policies on all tables and views owned by the current user. This view does not display the OBJECT_OWNER column.

See Also:

- *Oracle9i Database Concepts* for information on security policies and fine-grained access control
- The DBMS_RLS packages in *Oracle9i Supplied PL/SQL Packages and Types Reference* for information on administering security policies

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|--------------|--------------|----------|--|
| OBJECT_OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the table or view |
| OBJECT_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the table or view |
| POLICY_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the policy |
| PF_OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the policy function |
| PACKAGE | VARCHAR2(30) | | Name of the package containing the policy function |
| FUNCTION | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the policy function |
| SEL | VARCHAR2(3) | | If YES, policy is applied to query on the object |
| INS | VARCHAR2(3) | | If YES, policy is applied to insert on the object |
| UPD | VARCHAR2(3) | | If YES, policy is applied to update on the object |
| DEL | VARCHAR2(3) | | If YES, policy is applied to delete on the object |
| CHK_OPTION | VARCHAR2(3) | | Is check option enforced for this policy? |
| ENABLE | VARCHAR2(3) | | Is this policy enabled? |

ALL_PROCEEDURES

ALL_PROCEEDURES lists all functions and procedures, along with associated properties. For example, ALL_PROCEEDURES indicates whether or not a function is pipelined, parallel enabled or an aggregate function. If a function is pipelined or an aggregate function, the associated implementation type (if any) is also identified.

Related Views

- DBA_PROCEEDURES lists all functions and procedures, along with associated properties.
- USER_PROCEEDURES lists all functions and procedures, along with associated properties. It does not contain the OWNER column.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|----------------|--------------|---|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | Owner of the procedure |
| OBJECT_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | Name of the object: top-level function, procedure, or package name |
| PROCEDURE_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | Name of the procedure |
| AGGREGATE | VARCHAR2(3) | (YES/NO) Identifies whether or not the procedure is an aggregate function |
| PIPELINED | VARCHAR2(3) | (YES/NO) Indicates whether or not the procedure is a pipelined table function |
| IMPLTYPEOWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | Name of the owner of the implementation type, if any |
| IMPLTYPENAME | VARCHAR2(30) | Name of the implementation type, if any |
| PARALLEL | VARCHAR2(3) | (YES/NO) Indicates whether or not the procedure or function is parallel-enabled |

ALL_PUBLISHED_COLUMNS

`ALL_PUBLISHED_COLUMNS` describes all existing source table columns for which users have privileges.

Related Views

- [DBA_PUBLISHED_COLUMNS](#) describes all existing source column tables.
- [USER_PUBLISHED_COLUMNS](#) describes all existing source table columns for which a user has privileges.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------------------|--------------|---|
| CHANGE_SET_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | Name of the change set |
| SOURCE_SCHEMA_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | Table owner in the source system |
| SOURCE_TABLE_NAME | VARCHAR2(31) | Table name in the source system |
| PUB_ID | NUMBER | Publication identifier (change table object number) |
| COLUMN_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | Column name |
| DATA_TYPE | VARCHAR2(30) | Column datatype |
| DATA_LENGTH | NUMBER | Column length in bytes |
| DATA_PRECISION | NUMBER | Decimal precision for <code>NUMBER</code> datatype; binary precision for <code>FLOAT</code> datatype; <code>NULL</code> for all other datatypes |
| DATA_SCALE | NUMBER | Digits to the right of a decimal point in a number |

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|----------|----------|------------------------|
| NULLABLE | CHAR(1) | Nulls allowed (Y N)? |

ALL_QUEUE_TABLES

ALL_QUEUE_TABLES describes queues in all queue tables accessible to the current user.

Related Views

- DBA_QUEUE_TABLES describes queues in all queue tables in the database.
- USER_QUEUE_TABLES describes queues in queue tables created in the user's schema. This view does not display the OWNER column.

See Also: *Oracle9i Application Developer's Guide - Advanced Queuing* for more information about these views and Advanced Queuing

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|------------------|-----------------|------|---|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Schema of the queue table |
| QUEUE_TABLE | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Name of the queue table |
| TYPE | VARCHAR2 (7) | | Type of user data: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ RAW: raw type ■ OBJECT: user-defined object type ■ VARIANT: variant type (internal use only) |
| OBJECT_TYPE | VARCHAR2 (61) | | Object type of the payload when TYPE is OBJECT |
| SORT_ORDER | VARCHAR2 (22) | | User specified sort order |
| RECIPIENTS | VARCHAR2 (8) | | SINGLE or MULTIPLE recipients |
| MESSAGE_GROUPING | VARCHAR2 (13) | | NONE or TRANSACTIONAL |
| COMPATIBLE | VARCHAR2 (5) | | The lowest release level which this is compatible with (for example, 8.0.4) |
| PRIMARY_INSTANCE | NUMBER | | Indicates the instance number of the instance which is the primary owner of the queue table. A value of 0 indicates that there is no primary owner. |

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|--------------------|-----------------|------|---|
| SECONDARY_INSTANCE | NUMBER | | Indicates the instance number of the instance which is the secondary owner of the queue table. This instance becomes the owner of the queue table if the primary owner is not alive. A value of 0 indicates that there is no secondary owner. |
| OWNER_INSTANCE | NUMBER | | The instance number of the instance which currently owns the queue table |
| USER_COMMENT | VARCHAR2 (50) | | Comment supplied by the user |

ALL_QUEUES

ALL_QUEUES describes all queues on which the current user has enqueue or dequeue privileges. If the user has any Advanced Queuing system privileges, like **MANAGE ANY QUEUE**, **ENQUEUE ANY QUEUE** or **DEQUEUE ANY QUEUE**, then this view describes all queues in the database.

Related Views

- **DBA_QUEUES** describes all queues in the database.
- **USER_QUEUES** describes the operational characteristics of every queue owned by the current user. This view does not display the **OWNER** column.

See Also: *Oracle9i Application Developer's Guide - Advanced Queuing* for more information about these views and Advanced Queuing

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------------|-----------------|----------|---|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the queue |
| NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the queue |
| QUEUE_TABLE | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the table the queue data resides in |
| QID | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Object number of the queue |
| QUEUE_TYPE | VARCHAR2 (15) | | Type of the queue |
| MAX_RETRIES | NUMBER | | Maximum number of retries allowed when dequeuing from the queue |
| RETRY_DELAY | NUMBER | | Time interval between retries |
| ENQUEUE_ENABLED | VARCHAR2 (7) | | Queue is enabled for enqueue |
| DEQUEUE_ENABLED | VARCHAR2 (7) | | Queue is enabled for dequeue |

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|--------------|--------------|------|--|
| RETENTION | VARCHAR2(40) | | Time interval processed messages retained in the queue |
| USER_COMMENT | VARCHAR2(50) | | User specified comment |

ALL_REFRESH

ALL_REFRESH describes all the refresh groups accessible to the current user.

Related Views

- DBA_REFRESH describes all refresh groups in the database.
- USER_REFRESH describes all refresh groups owned by the current user.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|----------------------|---------------|----------|--|
| ROWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the owner of the refresh group |
| RNAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the refresh group |
| REFGROUP | NUMBER | | Internal identifier of refresh group |
| IMPLICIT_DESTROY | VARCHAR2(1) | | (Y N) If Y, then destroy the refresh group when its last item is subtracted |
| PUSH_DEFERRED_RPC | VARCHAR2(1) | | (Y N) If Y then push changes from snapshot to master before refresh |
| REFRESH_AFTER_ERRORS | VARCHAR2(1) | | If Y, proceed with refresh despite error when pushing deferred RPCs |
| ROLLBACK_SEG | VARCHAR2(30) | | Name of the rollback segment to use while refreshing |
| JOB | NUMBER | | Identifier of job used to refresh the group automatically |
| NEXT_DATE | DATE | | Date that this job will next be refreshed automatically, if not broken |
| INTERVAL | VARCHAR2(200) | | A date function used to compute the next NEXT_DATE |
| BROKEN | VARCHAR2(1) | | (Y N) Y means the job is broken and will never be run |
| PURGE_OPTION | NUMBER(38) | | The method for purging the transaction queue after each push. 1 indicates quick purge option; 2 indicates precise purge option |
| PARALLELISM | NUMBER(38) | | The level of parallelism for transaction propagation |
| HEAP_SIZE | NUMBER(38) | | The size of the heap |

ALL_REFRESH_CHILDREN

ALL_REFRESH_CHILDREN lists all the objects in refresh groups that are accessible to the current user.

Related Views

- DBA_REFRESH_CHILDREN describes the objects in all refresh groups in the database.
- USER_REFRESH_CHILDREN describes the objects in all refresh groups owned by the current user.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|----------------------|------------------|----------|--|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the object in the refresh group |
| NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the object in the refresh group |
| OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the object |
| NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the object |
| TYPE | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Type of the object in the refresh group |
| ROWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the owner of the refresh group |
| RNAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the refresh group |
| REFGROUP | NUMBER | | Internal identifier of refresh group |
| IMPLICIT_DESTROY | VARCHAR2 (1) | | (Y N) If Y, then destroy the refresh group when its last item is subtracted |
| PUSH_DEFERRED_RPC | VARCHAR2 (1) | | (Y N) If Y then push changes from snapshot to master before refresh |
| REFRESH_AFTER_ERRORS | VARCHAR2 (1) | | If Y, proceed with refresh despite error when pushing deferred RPCs |
| ROLLBACK_SEG | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Name of the rollback segment to use while refreshing |
| JOB | NUMBER | | Identifier of job used to refresh the group automatically |
| NEXT_DATE | DATE | | Date that this job will next be refreshed automatically, if not broken |
| INTERVAL | VARCHAR2 (200) | | A date function used to compute the next NEXT_DATE |
| BROKEN | VARCHAR2 (1) | | (Y N) Y means the job is broken and will never be run |
| PURGE_OPTION | NUMBER (38) | | The method for purging the transaction queue after each push. 1 indicates quick purge option; 2 indicates precise purge option |

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-------------|---------------|------|--|
| PARALLELISM | NUMBER (38) | | The level of parallelism for transaction propagation |
| HEAP_SIZE | NUMBER (38) | | The size of the heap |

ALL_REFRESH_DEPENDENCIES

ALL_REFRESH_DEPENDENCIES lists the names of the dependent detail or container tables of all the summaries or materialized views in the current schema.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|---------------------|-----------------|----------|---|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the table |
| TABLE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Table name, unique within this schema |
| PARENT_OBJECT_TYPE | CHAR (7) | | MVIEW or SUMMARY |
| OLDEST_REFRESH_SCN | NUMBER | | The minimum SCN of any summary or materialized view that has TABLE_NAME as a detail table |
| OLDEST_REFRESH_DATE | DATE | | SYSDATE when last refreshed |

ALL_REFS

ALL_REFS describes the REF columns and REF attributes in object type columns accessible to the current user.

Related Views

- DBA_REFS describes all REF columns and REF attributes in the database.
- USER_REFS describes the REF columns and REF attributes in object type columns owned by the current user. This view does not display the OWNER column.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-------------|-------------------|----------|---|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the owner |
| TABLE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the table |
| COLUMN_NAME | VARCHAR2 (4000) | | Name of the REF column or attribute. If it is not a top-level attribute, the value of COLUMN_NAME should be a path name starting with the column name |
| WITH_ROWID | VARCHAR2 (3) | | Whether the REF value is stored with ROWID (YES NO)? |
| IS_SCOPED | VARCHAR2 (3) | | Whether the REF column is scoped (YES NO)? |

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-------------------|-----------------|------|---|
| SCOPE_TABLE_OWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Name of the owner of the scope table, if it exists and is accessible by the user |
| SCOPE_TABLE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Name of the scope table, if it exists and is accessible by the user |
| OBJECT_ID_TYPE | VARCHAR2 (16) | | If user-defined OID, then USER-DEFINED, else if system generated OID, then SYSTEM GENERATED |

ALL_REGISTERED_MVIEWS

ALL_REGISTERED_MVIEWS describes all registered materialized views accessible to the current user.

Related Views

- DBA_REGISTERED_MVIEWS describes all registered materialized views in the database.
- USER_REGISTERED_MVIEWS describes all registered materialized views owned by the current user.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|----------------|------------------|----------|--|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the materialized view |
| NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the materialized view |
| MVIEW_SITE | VARCHAR2 (128) | NOT NULL | Global name of the materialized view site |
| CAN_USE_LOG | VARCHAR2 (3) | | YES if this materialized view can use a materialized view log, NO if this materialized view is too complex to use a log |
| UPDATABLE | VARCHAR2 (3) | | Specifies whether the materialized view is updatable. YES if it is, NO if it is not. If set to NO, the materialized view is read only. |
| REFRESH_METHOD | VARCHAR2 (11) | | Whether the materialized view uses rowids or primary key for fast refresh |
| MVIEW_ID | NUMBER (38) | | Identifier for the materialized view used by the master for fast refresh |
| VERSION | VARCHAR2 (26) | | Version of materialized view |
| QUERY_TXT | LONG | | Original query of which this materialized view is an instantiation |

See Also:

- ["DBA_REGISTERED_MVIEWS"](#) on page 2-146
- ["USER_REGISTERED_MVIEWS"](#) on page 2-209

ALL_REGISTERED_SNAPSHOTS

ALL_REGISTERED_SNAPSHOTS describes all registered materialized views accessible to the current user.

Related Views

- DBA_REGISTERED_SNAPSHOTS describes all registered materialized views in the database.
- USER_REGISTERED_SNAPSHOTS describes all registered materialized views owned by the current user.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|----------------|---------------|----------|--|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the materialized view |
| NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the materialized view |
| SNAPSHOT_SITE | VARCHAR2(128) | NOT NULL | Global name of the materialized view site |
| CAN_USE_LOG | VARCHAR2(3) | | YES if this materialized view can use a materialized view log, NO if this materialized view is too complex to use a log |
| UPDATABLE | VARCHAR2(3) | | Specifies whether the materialized view is updatable. YES if it is, NO if it is not. If set to NO, the materialized view is read only. |
| REFRESH_METHOD | VARCHAR2(11) | | Whether the materialized view uses rowids or primary key for fast refresh |
| SNAPSHOT_ID | NUMBER(38) | | Identifier for the materialized view used by the master for fast refresh |
| VERSION | VARCHAR2(17) | | Version of materialized view |
| QUERY_TXT | LONG | | Original query of which this materialized view is an instantiation |

See Also:

- ["DBA_REGISTERED_SNAPSHOTS"](#) on page 2-146
- ["USER_REGISTERED_SNAPSHOTS"](#) on page 2-209

ALL_SEQUENCES

ALL_SEQUENCES describes all sequences accessible to the user.

Related Views

- DBA_SEQUENCES describes all sequences in the database.
- USER_SEQUENCES describes all sequences owned by the current user. This view does not display the SEQUENCE_OWNER column.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|----------------|--------------|----------|--|
| SEQUENCE_OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the owner of the sequence |
| SEQUENCE_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Sequence name |
| MIN_VALUE | NUMBER | | Minimum value of the sequence |
| MAX_VALUE | NUMBER | | Maximum value of the sequence |
| INCREMENT_BY | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Value by which sequence is incremented |
| CYCLE_FLAG | VARCHAR2(1) | | Does sequence wrap around on reaching limit |
| ORDER_FLAG | VARCHAR2(1) | | Are sequence numbers generated in order |
| CACHE_SIZE | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Number of sequence numbers to cache |
| LAST_NUMBER | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Last sequence number written to disk. If a sequence uses caching, the number written to disk is the last number placed in the sequence cache. This number is likely to be greater than the last sequence number that was used. |

ALL_SNAPSHOT_LOGS

ALL_SNAPSHOT_LOGS describes the materialized view logs accessible to the current user.

Related Views

- DBA_SNAPSHOT_LOGS describes all materialized view logs in the database.
- USER_SNAPSHOT_LOGS describes all snapshot logs owned by the current user.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------|--------------|----------|---|
| LOG_OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the log |
| MASTER | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the master table whose changes are logged |

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-------------------|--------------|----------|--|
| LOG_TABLE | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the table where the changes to the master table are recorded |
| LOG_TRIGGER | VARCHAR2(30) | | Obsolete with Oracle8i and higher. Set to NULL. |
| ROWIDS | VARCHAR2(3) | | If YES, records rowid information |
| PRIMARY_KEY | VARCHAR2(3) | | If YES, records primary key information |
| OBJECT_ID | VARCHAR2(3) | | If YES, records object identifier information for row objects in an object table |
| FILTER_COLUMNS | VARCHAR2(3) | | If YES, materialized view log records filter columns |
| CURRENT_SNAPSHOTS | DATE | | One date per materialized view; the date the materialized view of the master was last refreshed. |
| SNAPSHOT_ID | NUMBER(38) | | Unique identifier of the materialized view |

ALL_SNAPSHOT_REFRESH_TIMES

ALL_SNAPSHOT_REFRESH_TIMES is a synonym for ALL_MVIEW_REFRESH_TIMES.

See Also: ["ALL_MVIEW_REFRESH_TIMES"](#) on page 2-49

ALL_SOURCE

ALL_SOURCE describes the text source of all stored objects accessible to the user.

Related Views

- **DBA_SOURCE** describes the text source of all stored objects in the database.
- **USER_SOURCE** describes the text source of all stored objects owned by the current user. This view does not display the OWNER column.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|--------|----------------|----------|---|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the object |
| NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the object |
| TYPE | VARCHAR2(12) | | Type of object: FUNCTION, JAVA_SOURCE, PACKAGE, PACKAGE_BODY, PROCEDURE, TRIGGER, TYPE, TYPE_BODY |
| LINE | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Line number of this line of source |
| TEXT | VARCHAR2(4000) | | Text source of the stored object |

ALL_SOURCE_TABLES

ALL_SOURCE_TABLES enables publishers to see all existing source tables. You must have the SELECT_CATALOG_ROLE privilege to access this view.

Related Views

- DBA_SOURCE_TABLES describes all existing source tables.
- USER_SOURCE_TABLES describes all existing source tables to which the user has subscribe privileges.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------------------|--------------|--------------------------------------|
| SOURCE_SCHEMA_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | The table owner in the source system |
| SOURCE_TABLE_NAME | VARCHAR2(31) | The table name in the source system |

ALL_SQLJ_TYPE_ATTRS

ALL_SQLJ_TYPE_ATTRS lists all attributes associated with SQLJ object types (including locally defined and inherited types) that are accessible to users.

Related Views

- DBA_SQLJ_TYPE_ATTRS lists attributes of all SQLJ object types in the database.
- USER_SQLJ_TYPE_ATTRS lists attributes of a user’s own SQLJ object type.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|--------------------|----------------|----------|--|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | | Owner of the type |
| TYPE_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the type |
| ATTR_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the attribute |
| EXTERNAL_ATTR_NAME | VARCHAR2(4000) | | External name of the attribute |
| ATTR_TYPE_MOD | VARCHAR2(7) | | Type modifier of the attribute |
| ATTR_TYPE_OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | | Owner of the type of the attribute |
| ATTR_TYPE_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | | Name of the type of the attribute |
| LENGTH | NUMBER | | Length of the CHAR attribute, or maximum length of the VARCHAR or VARCHAR2 attribute |

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|--------------------|--------------|----------|--|
| PRECISION | NUMBER | | Decimal precision of the NUMBER or DECIMAL attribute, or binary precision of the FLOAT attribute |
| SCALE | NUMBER | | Scale of the NUMBER or DECIMAL attribute |
| CHARACTER_SET_NAME | VARCHAR2(44) | | Character set name of the attribute |
| ATTR_NO | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Syntactical order number or position of the attribute as specified in the type specification or CREATE TYPE statement (not to be used as an ID number) |
| INHERITED | VARCHAR2(3) | | Identifies whether or not the attribute is inherited from the supertype |

ALL_SQLJ_TYPE_METHODS

ALL_SQLJ_TYPE_METHODS describes methods of types accessible to the user.

Related Views

- DBA_SQLJ_TYPE_METHODS describes methods of all types in the database.
- USER_SQLJ_TYPE_METHODS describes the methods of a user's own types.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-------------------|----------------|----------|---|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the type |
| TYPE_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the type |
| METHOD_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the method |
| EXTERNAL_VAR_NAME | VARCHAR2(4000) | | Name of the external variable |
| METHOD_NO | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Method number that distinguishes overloaded method (not to be used as an ID number) |
| METHOD_TYPE | VARCHAR2(6) | | Type of the method |
| PARAMETERS | NUMBER | | Number of parameters to the method |
| RESULTS | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Number of results returned by the method |
| FINAL | VARCHAR2(3) | NOT NULL | Identifies whether or not the method is final |
| INSTANTIABLE | VARCHAR2(3) | | Identifies whether or not the method is instantiable |
| OVERRIDING | VARCHAR2(3) | | Identifies whether or not the method overrides a supertype method |
| INHERITED | VARCHAR2(3) | | Identifies whether or not the attribute is inherited from the supertype |

ALL_SQLJ_TYPES

ALL_SQLJ_TYPES provides information about all SQLJ object types accessible to the user.

Related Views

- DBA_SQLJ_TYPES provides information about all SQLJ object types in the database.
- USER_SQLJ_TYPES provides information about a user’s SQLJ object type.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|------------------|------------------|----------|--|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | | Owner of the type |
| TYPE_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the type |
| TYPE_OID | RAW(16) | NOT NULL | Object identifier |
| EXTERNAL_NAME | VARCHAR2(4000) | | External class name of the type |
| USING | VARCHAR2(21) | | Representation of the type |
| TYPECODE | VARCHAR2(30) | | Typecode of the type |
| ATTRIBUTES | NUMBER | | Number of attributes (if any) in the type |
| METHODS | NUMBER | | Number of methods (if any) in the type |
| PREDEFINED | VARCHAR2(3) | | Identifies whether or not a type is predefined |
| INCOMPLETE | VARCHAR2(3) | | Identifies whether or not a type is incomplete |
| FINAL | VARCHAR2(3) | | Identifies whether or not a type is final |
| INSTANTIABLE | VARCHAR2(3) | | Identifies whether or not a type is instantiable |
| SUPERTYPE_OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | | Owner of the supertype (null if type is not a subtype) |
| SUPERTYPE_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | | Name of the supertype (null if type is not a subtype) |
| LOCAL_ATTRIBUTES | NUMBER | | Number of local (not inherited) attributes (if any) in the subtype |
| LOCAL_METHODS | NUMBER | | Number of local (not inherited) methods (if any) in the subtype |

ALL_STORED_SETTINGS

ALL_STORED_SETTINGS provides information about the persistent parameter settings for stored PL/SQL units for which the current user has execute privileges.

Related Views

- **DBA_STORED_SETTINGS** lists information about the persistent parameter settings for stored PL/SQL units for which the current user has execute privileges. It also returns parameter information for all objects in the database and is accessible only to users with the **SELECT_CATALOG_ROLE** privilege.
- **USER_STORED_SETTINGS** lists information about the persistent parameter settings for stored PL/SQL units, but only shows information about PL/SQL units owned by the current user. This view does not display the **OWNER** column.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-------------|----------------|----------|--|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the database user owning the stored PL/SQL unit |
| OBJECT_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the PL/SQL unit |
| OBJECT_ID | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Object number of the PL/SQL unit |
| OBJECT_TYPE | VARCHAR2(12) | | The type of PL/SQL unit: PROCEDURE, FUNCTION, PACKAGE, PACKAGE BODY, TRIGGER, TYPE, or TYPE BODY |
| PARAM_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | | The name of the parameter stored persistently with the PL/SQL unit |
| PARAM_VALUE | VARCHAR2(4000) | | The TO_CHAR() representation of the value of the persistently stored parameter. The width of this column is operating system dependent; however, it is never less than 255. |

ALL_SUBPART_COL_STATISTICS

ALL_SUBPART_COL_STATISTICS describes column statistics and histogram information for subpartitions of partitioned objects accessible to the current user.

Related Views

- **DBA_SUBPART_COL_STATISTICS** provides this information for all subpartitions in the database.
- **USER_SUBPART_COL_STATISTICS** provides this information for subpartitions of all partitioned objects owned by the current user. This view does not display the **OWNER** column.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|--------|--------------|----------|-------------|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Owner name |

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-------------------|-----------------|----------|---|
| TABLE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Table name |
| SUBPARTITION_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Table subpartition name |
| COLUMN_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Column name |
| NUM_DISTINCT | NUMBER | | Number of distinct values in the column |
| LOW_VALUE | RAW (32) | | Low value in the column |
| HIGH_VALUE | RAW (32) | | High value in the column |
| DENSITY | NUMBER | | Density of the column |
| NUM_NULLS | NUMBER | | Number of nulls in the column |
| NUM_BUCKETS | NUMBER | | Number of buckets in histogram for the column |
| SAMPLE_SIZE | NUMBER | | Sample size used in analyzing this column |
| LAST_ANALYZED | DATE | | Date on which this column was most recently analyzed |
| GLOBAL_STATS | VARCHAR2 (3) | | Indicates whether column statistics for the subpartition were collected by analyzing the table as a whole (YES) or estimated from statistics gathered on partitions and subpartitions (NO). |
| USER_STATS | VARCHAR2 (3) | | Were the statistics entered directly by the user? |
| AVG_COL_LEN | NUMBER | | The average length of the column, in bytes |

ALL_SUBPART_HISTOGRAMS

ALL_SUBPART_HISTOGRAMS lists the actual histogram data (end-points per histogram) for histograms on table subpartitions accessible to the current user.

Related Views

- DBA_SUBPART_HISTOGRAMS provides this information for all subpartitions in the database.
- USER_SUBPART_HISTOGRAMS provides this information for subpartitions of all partitioned objects owned by the current user. This view does not display the OWNER column.

Note: These views are populated only if you called statistics on the index using the ANALYZE statement or the DBMS_STATS package.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------------------|-------------------|------|--|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Owner name |
| TABLE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Table name |
| SUBPARTITION_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Table subpartition name |
| COLUMN_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Column name |
| BUCKET_NUMBER | NUMBER | | Bucket number |
| ENDPOINT_VALUE | NUMBER | | Normalized endpoint values for this bucket |
| ENDPOINT_ACTUAL_VALUE | VARCHAR2 (1000) | | Actual (not normalized) string value of the endpoint for this bucket |

ALL_SUBPART_KEY_COLUMNS

ALL_SUBPART_KEY_COLUMNS lists subpartitioning key columns for composite-partitioned tables (and local indexes on composite-partitioned tables) accessible to the current user.

Related Views

- DBA_SUBPART_KEY_COLUMNS provides this information for all subpartitions in the database.
- USER_SUBPART_KEY_COLUMNS provides this information for subpartitions of all partitioned objects owned by the current user. This view does not display the OWNER column.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------------|-----------------|------|---|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | | The partitioned table or index owner |
| NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | The partitioned table or index name |
| OBJECT_TYPE | VARCHAR2 (11) | | The object type (TABLE or INDEX) |
| COLUMN_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | The column name |
| COLUMN_POSITION | NUMBER | | The position of the column within the subpartitioning key |

ALL_SUBSCRIBED_COLUMNS

ALL_SUBSCRIBED_COLUMNS enables publishers to view the columns of published tables to which they have subscribed.

Related Views

- DBA_SUBSCRIBED_COLUMNS enables publishers to view the columns of published tables to which they have subscribed. You must have the SELECT_CATALOG_ROLE privilege to access this view.
- USER_SUBSCRIBED_COLUMNS enables publishers to view the columns of published tables to which they have subscribed.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------------------|-----------------|------------------------------------|
| HANDLE | NUMBER | The subscription handle |
| SOURCE_SCHEMA_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | The source table schema identifier |
| SOURCE_TABLE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (31) | The source table identifier |
| COLUMN_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | The source table column identifier |

ALL_SUBSCRIBED_TABLES

ALL_SUBSCRIBED_TABLES enables subscribers to view all published tables to which they have subscribed.

Related Views

- DBA_SUBSCRIBED_TABLES enables publishers to view all published tables to which they have subscribed.
- USER_SUBSCRIBED_TABLES enables subscribers to view all published tables to which they have subscribed.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------------------|-----------------|--|
| HANDLE | NUMBER | The subscription handle |
| SOURCE_SCHEMA_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | The source table schema identifier |
| SOURCE_TABLE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (31) | The source table identifier |
| VIEW_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | Holds the generated view name so that change data capture can drop the view when necessary |
| CHANGE_SET_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | The name of the change set to which the change table belongs |

ALL_SUBSCRIPTIONS

ALL_SUBSCRIPTIONS enables subscribers to view all subscriptions. Neither ALL_SUBSCRIPTIONS nor USER_SUBSCRIPTIONS contains the USERNAME column.

Related Views

- **DBA_SUBSCRIPTIONS** enables publishers to view all subscriptions. You must have the **SELECT_CATALOG_ROLE** privilege to access this view. **DBA_SUBSCRIPTIONS** contains the **USERNAME** column, which lists the user name of the subscriber.
- **USER_SUBSCRIPTIONS** enables subscribers to view all of their subscriptions.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|---------------|-----------------|--|
| HANDLE | NUMBER | The subscription handler |
| SET_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | The change set identifier |
| CREATED | DATE | The subscription creation date |
| STATUS | CHAR (1) | N indicates not yet active, A indicates is currently active |
| EARLIEST_SCN | NUMBER | The starting point for the select/view |
| LATEST_SCN | NUMBER | The ending point for the select/view |
| DESCRIPTION | VARCHAR2 (30) | A comment field for the subscriber |
| LAST_PURGED | DATE | The last time the subscriber called the PURGE_WINDOW for this subscription |
| LAST_EXTENDED | DATE | The last time the subscriber called the EXTEND_WINDOW for this subscription |

ALL_SUMDELTA

ALL_SUMDELTA lists direct path load entries accessible to the user.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|---------------|----------------|----------|---|
| TABLEOBJ# | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Object number of the table |
| PARTITIONOBJ# | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Object number of table partitions (if the table is partitioned) |
| DMLOPERATION | VARCHAR2 (1) | | Type of DML operation applied to the table |
| SCN | NUMBER | NOT NULL | SCN when the bulk DML occurred |
| TIMESTAMP | DATE | NOT NULL | Timestamp of log entry |
| LOWROWID | ROWID | NOT NULL | The start ROWID in the loaded rowid range |
| HIGHROWID | ROWID | NOT NULL | The end ROWID in the loaded rowid range |

ALL_SYNONYMS

ALL_SYNONYMS describes all synonyms accessible to the user.

Related Views

- DBA_SYNONYMS describes all synonyms in the database.
- USER_SYNONYMS describes all synonyms owned by the current user. This view does not display the OWNER column.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|--------------|---------------|----------|---|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the synonym |
| SYNONYM_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the synonym |
| TABLE_OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | | Owner of the object referenced by the synonym |
| TABLE_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the object referenced by the synonym |
| DB_LINK | VARCHAR2(128) | | Name of the database link referenced, if any |

ALL_TAB_COL_STATISTICS

ALL_TAB_COL_STATISTICS provides column statistics and histogram information extracted from ["ALL_TAB_COLUMNS"](#) on page 2-89.

Related Views

- DBA_TAB_COL_STATISTICS provides such information extracted from ["DBA_TAB_COLUMNS"](#) on page 2-160.
- USER_TAB_COL_STATISTICS provides such information extracted from ["USER_TAB_COLUMNS"](#) on page 2-213.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|--------------|--------------|----------|---|
| TABLE_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Table name |
| COLUMN_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Column name |
| NUM_DISTINCT | NUMBER | | Number of distinct values in the column |
| LOW_VALUE | RAW(32) | | Low value in the column |
| HIGH_VALUE | RAW(32) | | High value in the column |
| DENSITY | NUMBER | | Density of the column |
| NUM_NULLS | NUMBER | | Number of nulls in the column |

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|---------------|----------------|------|--|
| NUM_BUCKETS | NUMBER | | Number of buckets in histogram for the column |
| LAST_ANALYZED | DATE | | Date on which this column was most recently analyzed |
| SAMPLE_SIZE | NUMBER | | Sample size used in analyzing this column |
| GLOBAL_STATS | VARCHAR2 (3) | | For partitioned tables, indicates whether column statistics were collected for the table as a whole (YES) or were estimated from statistics on underlying partitions and subpartitions (NO). |
| USER_STATS | VARCHAR2 (3) | | Were the statistics entered directly by the user? |
| AVG_COL_LEN | NUMBER | | The average length of the column, in bytes |

ALL_TAB_COLUMNS

ALL_TAB_COLUMNS describes the columns of all tables, views, and clusters accessible to the user. To gather statistics for this view, use the `SQL ANALYZE` statement or the `DBMS_STATS` package.

Related Views

- **DBA_TAB_COLUMNS** describes the columns of all tables, views, and clusters in the database.
- **USER_TAB_COLUMNS** describes the columns of all tables, views, and clusters owned by the current user. This view does not display the `OWNER` column.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------------|-----------------|----------|--|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the table, view or cluster |
| TABLE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Table, view, or cluster name |
| COLUMN_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Column name |
| DATA_TYPE | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Datatype of the column |
| DATA_TYPE_MOD | VARCHAR2 (3) | | Datatype modifier of the column |
| DATA_TYPE_OWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Owner of the datatype of the column |
| DATA_LENGTH | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Length of the column in bytes |
| DATA_PRECISION | NUMBER | | Decimal precision for <code>NUMBER</code> datatype; binary precision for <code>FLOAT</code> datatype, null for all other datatypes |
| DATA_SCALE | NUMBER | | Digits to right of decimal point in a number |

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|----------------------|--------------|----------|--|
| NULLABLE | VARCHAR2(1) | | Specifies whether a column allows NULLs. Value is N if there is a NOT NULL constraint on the column or if the column is part of a PRIMARY KEY. |
| COLUMN_ID | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Sequence number of the column as created |
| DEFAULT_LENGTH | NUMBER | | Length of default value for the column |
| DATA_DEFAULT | LONG | | Default value for the column |
| NUM_DISTINCT | NUMBER | | These columns remain for backward compatibility with Oracle7. This information is now in the {TAB PART}_COL_STATISTICS views. This view now picks up these values from HIST_HEAD\$ rather than COL\$. |
| LOW_VALUE | RAW(32) | | |
| HIGH_VALUE | RAW(32) | | |
| DENSITY | NUMBER | | |
| NUM_NULLS | NUMBER | | The number of nulls in the column |
| NUM_BUCKETS | NUMBER | | <p>The number of buckets in histogram for the column</p> <p>Note: The number of buckets in a histogram is specified in the SIZE parameter of the SQL statement ANALYZE. However, Oracle does not create a histogram with more buckets than the number of rows in the sample. Also, if the sample contains any values that are very repetitious, Oracle creates the specified number of buckets, but the value indicated by this column may be smaller because of an internal compression algorithm.</p> |
| LAST_ANALYZED | DATE | | The date on which this column was most recently analyzed |
| SAMPLE_SIZE | | | The sample size used in analyzing this column |
| CHARACTER_SET_NAME | VARCHAR2(44) | | The name of the character set: CHAR_CS or NCHAR_CS |
| CHAR_COL_DECL_LENGTH | NUMBER | | The length |
| GLOBAL_STATS | VARCHAR2(3) | | For partitioned tables, indicates whether column statistics were collected for the table as a whole (YES) or were estimated from statistics on underlying partitions and subpartitions (NO). |
| USER_STATS | VARCHAR2(3) | | Were the statistics entered directly by the user? |
| AVG_COL_LEN | NUMBER | | The average length of the column, in bytes |
| CHAR_LENGTH | NUMBER | | <p>Displays the length of the column in characters. This value only applies to the following datatypes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ CHAR ■ VARCHAR2 ■ NCHAR ■ NVARCHAR |

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------|-------------|------|---|
| CHAR_USED | VARCHAR2(1) | | <p>B C. B indicates that the column uses BYTE length semantics. C indicates that the column uses CHAR length semantics. NULL indicates the datatype is not any of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ CHAR ■ VARCHAR2 ■ NCHAR ■ NVARCHAR2 |

ALL_TAB_COMMENTS

ALL_TAB_COMMENTS describes comments on tables and views accessible to the user.

Related Views

- DBA_TAB_COMMENTS describes comments on all tables and views in the database.
- USER_TAB_COMMENTS describes comments on all tables and views owned by the current user. This view does not display the OWNER column.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|------------|----------------|----------|-----------------------|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the object |
| TABLE_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the object |
| TABLE_TYPE | VARCHAR2(11) | | Type of the object |
| COMMENTS | VARCHAR2(4000) | | Comment on the object |

ALL_TAB_HISTOGRAMS

ALL_TAB_HISTOGRAMS describes histograms on tables and views accessible to the user.

Related Views

- DBA_TAB_HISTOGRAMS describes histograms on all tables and views in the database.

- USER_TAB_HISTOGRAMS describes histograms on all tables and views owned by the current user. This view does not display the OWNER column.

Note: These views are populated only if you called statistics on the index using the ANALYZE statement or the DBMS_STATS package.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------------------|-------------------|------|--|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Owner of table |
| TABLE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Name of the table |
| COLUMN_NAME | VARCHAR2 (4000) | | Column name or attribute of the object type column |
| ENDPOINT_NUMBER | NUMBER | | Histogram bucket number |
| ENDPOINT_VALUE | NUMBER | | Normalized endpoint value for this bucket |
| ENDPOINT_ACTUAL_VALUE | VARCHAR2 (1000) | | Actual (not normalized) string value of the endpoint for this bucket |

ALL_TAB_MODIFICATIONS

ALL_TAB_MODIFICATIONS describes tables accessible to the current user that have been modified since the last time statistics were gathered on the tables.

Related Views

- DBA_TAB_MODIFICATIONS provides such information for all tables in the database.
- USER_TAB_MODIFICATIONS provides such information for tables owned by the current user. This view does not display the TABLE_OWNER column.

Note: These views are populated only for tables with the MONITORING attribute. They are intended for statistics collection over a long period of time. For performance reasons, Oracle may not populate these views until a few hours after the actual modifications occurred.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-------------------|-----------------|------|---|
| TABLE_OWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Owner of the modified table. |
| TABLE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Name of the modified table |
| PARTITION_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Name of the modified partition |
| SUBPARTITION_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Name of the modified subpartition |
| INSERTS | NUMBER | | Approximate number of inserts since the last time statistics were gathered |
| UPDATES | NUMBER | | Approximate number of updates since the last time statistics were gathered |
| DELETES | NUMBER | | Approximate number of deletes since the last time statistics were gathered |
| TIMESTAMP | DATE | | Indicates the last time the table was modified |
| TRUNCATED | VARCHAR2 (3) | | Whether or not the table was truncated since the last time statistics were gathered |

ALL_TAB_PARTITIONS

ALL_TAB_PARTITIONS provides partition-level partitioning information, partition storage parameters, and partition statistics collected by ANALYZE statements for partitions accessible to the current user.

Related Views

- DBA_TAB_PARTITIONS provides such information for all partitions in the database.
- USER_TAB_PARTITIONS provides such information for partitions of all partitioned objects owned by the current user. This view does not display the OWNER column.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|--------------------|-----------------|----------|--|
| TABLE_OWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Table owner |
| TABLE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Table name |
| COMPOSITE | VARCHAR2 (3) | | YES if the partition belongs to a Local index on a table partitioned using Composite method; NO otherwise |
| PARTITION_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Partition name |
| SUBPARTITION_COUNT | NUMBER | | If this is a Local index on a table partitioned using a Composite method, the number of subpartitions in the partition |

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|--------------------|-----------------|----------|---|
| HIGH_VALUE | LONG | | Partition bound value expression |
| HIGH_VALUE_LENGTH | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Length of partition bound value expression |
| PARTITION_POSITION | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Position of the partition within the table |
| TABLESPACE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the tablespace containing the partition |
| PCT_FREE | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Minimum percentage of free space in a block |
| PCT_USED | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Minimum percentage of used space in a block |
| INI_TRANS | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Initial number of transactions |
| MAX_TRANS | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Maximum number of transactions |
| INITIAL_EXTENT | NUMBER | | Size of the initial extent in bytes |
| NEXT_EXTENT | NUMBER | | Size of secondary extents in bytes |
| MIN_EXTENT | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Minimum number of extents allowed in the segment |
| MAX_EXTENT | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Maximum number of extents allowed in the segment |
| PCT_INCREASE | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Percentage increase in extent size |
| FREELISTS | NUMBER | | Number of process freelists allocated in this segment |
| FREELIST_GROUPS | NUMBER | | Number of freelist groups allocated in this segment |
| LOGGING | VARCHAR2 (3) | | Logging attribute of partition |
| NUM_ROWS | NUMBER | | Number of rows in the partition |
| BLOCKS | NUMBER | | Number of used blocks in the partition |
| EMPTY_BLOCKS | NUMBER | | Number of empty (never used) blocks in the partition |
| AVG_SPACE | NUMBER | | Average available free space in the partition |
| CHAIN_CNT | NUMBER | | Number of chained rows in the partition |
| AVG_ROW_LEN | NUMBER | | Average row length, including row overhead |
| SAMPLE_SIZE | NUMBER | | Sample size used in analyzing this partition |
| LAST_ANALYZED | DATE | | Date on which this partition was most recently analyzed |
| BUFFER_POOL | VARCHAR2 (7) | | The default buffer pool to be used for the partition blocks |
| GLOBAL_STATS | VARCHAR2 (3) | | Indicates whether statistics were collected for the partition as a whole (YES) or were estimated from statistics on underlying subpartitions (NO) |
| USER_STATS | VARCHAR2 (3) | | User statistics |

ALL_TAB_PRIVS

ALL_TAB_PRIVS lists the grants on objects where the user or PUBLIC is the grantee. This view does not display the OWNER column.

Related Views

- DBA_TAB_PRIVS lists all grants on all objects in the database. This view does not display the TABLE_SCHEMA column.
- USER_TAB_PRIVS lists grants on all objects where the current user is the grantee. This view does not display the TABLE_SCHEMA column.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|--------------|-----------------|----------|--|
| GRANTOR | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the user who performed the grant |
| GRANTEE | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the user to whom access is granted |
| OWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the object |
| TABLE_SCHEMA | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Schema of the object |
| TABLE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the object |
| PRIVILEGE | VARCHAR2 (40) | NOT NULL | Privilege on the object |
| GRANTABLE | VARCHAR2 (3) | | YES if the privilege was granted with ADMIN OPTION; otherwise NO |

ALL_TAB_PRIVS_MADE

ALL_TAB_PRIVS_MADE lists the all object grants made by the current user or made on the objects owned by the current user.

Related View

- USER_TAB_PRIVS_MADE lists grants on all objects owned by the current user. This view does not display the OWNER column.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|------------|-----------------|----------|---|
| GRANTEE | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the user to whom access was granted |
| OWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the object |
| TABLE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the object |
| GRANTOR | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the user who performed the grant |
| PRIVILEGE | VARCHAR2 (40) | NOT NULL | Privilege on the object |

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------|----------------|------|---|
| GRANTABLE | VARCHAR2 (3) | | YES if the privilege was granted with ADMIN OPTION; otherwise NO |

ALL_TAB_PRIVS_RECD

ALL_TAB_PRIVS_RECD lists object grants for which the user or PUBLIC is the grantee.

Related View

- USER_TAB_PRIVS_RECD lists object grants for which the current user is the grantee. This view does not display the OWNER column.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|------------|-----------------|----------|---|
| GRANTEE | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the user to whom access was granted |
| OWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the object |
| TABLE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the object |
| GRANTOR | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the user who performed the grant |
| PRIVILEGE | VARCHAR2 (40) | NOT NULL | Privilege on the object |
| GRANTABLE | VARCHAR2 (3) | | YES if the privilege was granted with ADMIN OPTION; otherwise NO |

ALL_TAB_SUBPARTITIONS

ALL_TAB_SUBPARTITIONS describes, for each table subpartition accessible to the user, the subpartition name, name of the table and partition to which it belongs, and its storage attributes.

Related Views

- DBA_TAB_SUBPARTITIONS provides such information for all subpartitions in the database.
- USER_TAB_SUBPARTITIONS provides such information for subpartitions of all partitioned objects owned by the current user. This view does not display the TABLE_OWNER column.

Note: Statistics are not collected on a per-subpartition basis.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------------------|-----------------|----------|--|
| TABLE_OWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Table owner |
| TABLE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Table name |
| PARTITION_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Partition name |
| SUBPARTITION_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Subpartition name |
| SUBPARTITION_POSITION | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Position of a subpartition within a partition |
| TABLESPACE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the tablespace containing the subpartition |
| PCT_FREE | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Minimum percentage of free space in a block |
| PCT_USED | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Minimum percentage of used space in a block |
| INI_TRANS | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Initial number of transactions |
| MAX_TRANS | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Maximum number of transactions |
| INITIAL_EXTENT | NUMBER | | Size of the initial extent in bytes |
| NEXT_EXTENT | NUMBER | | Size of secondary extents in bytes |
| MIN_EXTENT | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Minimum number of extents allowed in the segment |
| MAX_EXTENT | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Maximum number of extents allowed in the segment |
| PCT_INCREASE | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Percentage increase in extent size |
| FREELISTS | NUMBER | | Number of freelist groups allocated in this segment |
| FREELIST_GROUPS | NUMBER | | Number of freelist groups allocated in this segment |
| LOGGING | VARCHAR2 (3) | | Logging attribute of subpartition |
| NUM_ROWS | NUMBER | | The number of rows |
| BLOCKS | NUMBER | | The number of blocks |
| EMPTY_BLOCKS | NUMBER | | The number of empty blocks |
| AVG_SPACE | NUMBER | | The average space |
| CHAIN_CNT | NUMBER | | The chain count |
| AVG_ROW_LEN | NUMBER | | The average row length |
| SAMPLE_SIZE | NUMBER | | The sample size |
| LAST_ANALYZED | DATE | | The date on which this table was most recently analyzed |
| BUFFER_POOL | VARCHAR2 (7) | | The default buffer pool for this subpartition |
| GLOBAL_STATS | VARCHAR2 (3) | | Indicates whether column statistics for the subpartition were collected by analyzing the table as a whole (YES) or estimated from statistics collected for partitions and subpartitions (NO) |
| USER_STATS | VARCHAR2 (3) | | Were the statistics entered directly by the user? |

ALL_TABLES

ALL_TABLES describes all relational tables accessible to the user. To gather statistics for this view, use the SQL ANALYZE statement.

Related Views

- DBA_TABLES describes all relational tables in the database.
- USER_TABLES describes all relational tables owned by the current user. This view does not display the OWNER column.

Note: Columns marked with an asterisk are populated only if you collect statistics on the table with the ANALYZE statement or the DBMS_STATS package.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------------|-----------------|------|--|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Owner of the table |
| TABLE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Name of the table |
| TABLESPACE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Name of the tablespace containing the table; NULL for partitioned, temporary and index-organized tables |
| CLUSTER_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Name of the cluster, if any, to which the table belongs |
| IOT_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Name of the index organized table, if any, to which the overflow entry belongs. If IOT_TYPE column is not null, this column contains the base table name. |
| PCT_FREE | NUMBER | | Minimum percentage of free space in a block; NULL for partitioned tables |
| PCT_USED | NUMBER | | Minimum percentage of used space in a block; NULL for partitioned tables |
| INI_TRANS | NUMBER | | Initial number of transactions; NULL for partitioned tables |
| MAX_TRANS | NUMBER | | Maximum number of transactions; NULL for partitioned tables |
| INITIAL_EXTENT | NUMBER | | Size of the initial extent in bytes; NULL for partitioned tables |
| NEXT_EXTENT | NUMBER | | Size of the secondary extension bytes; NULL for partitioned tables |

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|---------------------------|--------------|------|--|
| MIN_EXTENTS | NUMBER | | Minimum number of extents allowed in the segment; NULL for partitioned tables |
| MAX_EXTENTS | NUMBER | | Maximum number of extents allowed in the segment; NULL for partitioned tables |
| PCT_INCREASE | NUMBER | | Percentage increase in extent size; NULL for partitioned tables |
| FREELISTS | NUMBER | | Number of process freelists allocated to this segment; NULL for partitioned tables |
| FREELIST_GROUPS | NUMBER | | Number of freelist groups allocated to this segment; NULL for partitioned tables |
| LOGGING | VARCHAR2(3) | | Logging attribute; NULL for partitioned tables |
| BACKED_UP | VARCHAR2(1) | | Has table been backed up since last change |
| NUM_ROWS* | NUMBER | | Number of rows in the table |
| BLOCKS* | NUMBER | | Number of used data blocks in the table |
| EMPTY_BLOCKS* | NUMBER | | Number of empty (never used) data blocks in the table |
| AVG_SPACE* | NUMBER | | Average amount of free space, in bytes, in a data block allocated to the table |
| CHAIN_CNT* | NUMBER | | Number of rows in the table that are chained from one data block to another, or which have migrated to a new block, requiring a link to preserve the old ROWID |
| AVG_ROW_LEN* | NUMBER | | Average length of a row in the table in bytes |
| AVG_SPACE_FREELIST_BLOCKS | NUMBER | | The average freespace of all blocks on a freelist |
| NUM_FREELIST_BLOCKS | NUMBER | | The number of blocks on the freelist |
| DEGREE | VARCHAR2(10) | | The number of threads per instance for scanning the table |
| INSTANCES | VARCHAR2(10) | | The number of instances across which the table is to be scanned |
| CACHE | VARCHAR2(5) | | Whether the cluster is to be cached in the buffer cache (CACHE NOCACHE) |
| TABLE_LOCK | VARCHAR2(8) | | Whether table locking is enabled or disabled |
| SAMPLE_SIZE | NUMBER | | Sample size used in analyzing this table |
| LAST_ANALYZED | DATE | | Date on which this table was most recently analyzed |

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|--------------|-----------------|------|--|
| PARTITIONED | VARCHAR2 (3) | | Indicates whether this table is partitioned. Set to YES if it is partitioned. |
| IOT_TYPE | VARCHAR2 (12) | | If this is an index organized table, then IOT_TYPE is IOT, IOT_OVERFLOW, or IOT_MAPPING. If this is not an index organized table, then IOT_TYPE is NULL. |
| TEMPORARY | VARCHAR2 (1) | | Can the current session only see data that it place in this object itself? |
| SECONDARY | VARCHAR2 (1) | | Whether the trigger is a secondary object created by the <code>ODCIIndexCreate</code> method of the Oracle9i Data Cartridge (Y N) |
| NESTED | VARCHAR2 (3) | | Is the table a nested table? |
| BUFFER_POOL | VARCHAR2 (7) | | The default buffer pool for the object. NULL for partitioned tables |
| ROW_MOVEMENT | VARCHAR2 (8) | | Whether partitioned row movement is enabled or disabled |
| GLOBAL_STATS | VARCHAR2 (3) | | For partitioned tables, indicates whether statistics were collected for the table as a whole (YES) or were estimated from statistics on underlying partitions and subpartitions (NO) |
| USER_STATS | VARCHAR2 (3) | | Were the statistics entered directly by the user? |
| DURATION | VARCHAR2 (15) | | Indicates the duration of a temporary table: <ul style="list-style-type: none">■ <code>SYS\$SESSION</code>: the rows are preserved for the duration of the session■ <code>SYS\$TRANSACTION</code>: the rows are deleted after COMMIT Null for a permanent table |
| SKIP_CORRUPT | VARCHAR2 (8) | | Whether Oracle ignores blocks marked corrupt during table and index scans (ENABLED) or raises an error (DISABLED). To enable this feature, run the <code>DBMS_REPAIR.SKIP_CORRUPT_BLOCKS</code> procedure. |
| MONITORING | VARCHAR2 (3) | | Whether the table has the MONITORING attribute set |

See Also:

- ["DBA_TABLES"](#) on page 2-161
- ["USER_TABLES"](#) on page 2-215

ALL_TRIGGER_COLS

ALL_TRIGGER_COLS describes the use of columns in triggers owned by user or in triggers on tables owned by user. If the user has the `CREATE ANY TRIGGER` privilege, this view describes the use of columns in all triggers.

Related Views

- **DBA_TRIGGER_COLS** provides such information for all triggers in the database.
- **USER_TRIGGER_COLS** provides such information for all triggers owned by the current user.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|---------------|----------------|----------|--|
| TRIGGER_OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the triggers |
| TRIGGER_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the trigger |
| TABLE_OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the table on which the trigger is defined |
| TABLE_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Table on which the trigger is defined |
| COLUMN_NAME | VARCHAR2(4000) | | Name of the column used in the trigger |
| COLUMN_LIST | VARCHAR2(3) | | Column specified in UPDATE clause (Y N) |
| COLUMN_USAGE | VARCHAR2(17) | | How the column is used in the trigger. All applicable combinations of NEW, OLD, IN, OUT, and IN OUT. |

ALL_TRIGGERS

ALL_TRIGGERS describes owned by the current user and triggers on tables owned by the current user. If the user has the `CREATE ANY TRIGGER` privilege, then this view describes all triggers in the database.

Related Views

- **DBA_TRIGGERS** describes all triggers in the database.
- **USER_TRIGGERS** describes all triggers owned by the current user. This view does not display the `OWNER` column.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|--------------|--------------|----------|----------------------|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the trigger |
| TRIGGER_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the trigger |

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-------------------|----------------|----------|--|
| TRIGGER_TYPE | VARCHAR2(16) | | When the trigger fires: BEFORE STATEMENT, BEFORE EACH ROW, BEFORE EVENT, AFTER STATEMENT, AFTER EACH ROW, and AFTER EVENT |
| TRIGGERING_EVENT | VARCHAR2(216) | | The DML, DDL, or database event that fires the trigger. For a listing of triggering events, see the CREATE TRIGGER statement in <i>Oracle9i SQL Reference</i> . |
| TABLE_OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the table on which the trigger is defined |
| BASE_OBJECT_TYPE | VARCHAR2(16) | | The base object on which the trigger is defined: TABLE, VIEW, SCHEMA, or DATABASE |
| TABLE_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | | If the base object type of the trigger is SCHEMA or DATABASE, then this column is NULL; if the base object type of the trigger is TABLE or VIEW, this column indicates the table/view name on which the trigger is defined |
| COLUMN_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | | Name of the nested table column (if nested table trigger), else null |
| REFERENCING_NAMES | VARCHAR2(87) | | Names used for referencing OLD and NEW column values from within the trigger |
| WHEN_CLAUSE | VARCHAR2(4000) | | Must evaluate to TRUE for TRIGGER_BODY to execute |
| STATUS | VARCHAR2(8) | | Whether the trigger is enabled (ENABLED DISABLED) |
| DESCRIPTION | VARCHAR2(4000) | | Trigger description; useful for re-creating a trigger creation statement |
| ACTION_TYPE | VARCHAR2(11) | | The action type of the trigger body (CALL or PL/SQL) |
| TRIGGER_BODY | LONG | | Statement(s) executed by the trigger when it fires |

ALL_TYPE_ATTRS

ALL_TYPE_ATTRS describes the attributes of object types accessible to the user.

Related Views

- DBA_TYPE_ATTRS describes the attributes of all object types in the database.
- USER_TYPE_ATTRS describes the attributes of all object types owned by the current user. This view does not display the OWNER column.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|--------|--------------|------|-------------------|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | | Owner of the type |

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|--------------------|-----------------|----------|---|
| TYPE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the type |
| ATTR_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the attribute |
| ATTR_TYPE_MOD | VARCHAR2 (7) | | Type modifier of the attribute |
| ATTR_TYPE_OWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Owner of the type of the attribute |
| ATTR_TYPE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Name of the type of the attribute |
| LENGTH | NUMBER | | Length of the CHAR attribute or maximum length of the VARCHAR or VARCHAR2 attribute |
| PRECISION | NUMBER | | Decimal precision of the NUMBER or DECIMAL attribute or binary precision of the FLOAT attribute |
| SCALE | NUMBER | | Scale of the NUMBER or DECIMAL attribute |
| CHARACTER_SET_NAME | VARCHAR2 (44) | | The name of the character set (CHAR_CS or NCHAR_CS) |
| ATTR_NO | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Syntactical order number or position of the attribute as specified in the type specification or CREATE TYPE statement (not to be used as ID number) |
| INHERITED | VARCHAR2 (3) | | (YES/NO) Indicates whether the attribute is inherited from the supertype |

ALL_TYPE_METHODS

ALL_TYPE_METHODS describes methods of types accessible to the user.

Related Views

- DBA_TYPE_METHODS describes the methods of all object types in the database.
- USER_TYPE_METHODS describes the methods of all object types owned by the current user. This view does not display the OWNER column.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-------------|-----------------|----------|--|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the type |
| TYPE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the type |
| METHOD_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the method |
| METHOD_NO | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Method number for distinguishing overloaded method (not to be used as ID number) |
| METHOD_TYPE | VARCHAR2 (6) | | Type of the method |
| PARAMETERS | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Number of parameters to the method |

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|--------------|----------------|----------|---|
| RESULTS | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Number of results returned by the method |
| FINAL | VARCHAR2 (3) | | (YES/NO) Indicates whether method is final |
| INSTANTIABLE | VARCHAR2 (3) | | (YES/NO) Indicates whether the method is instantiable |
| OVERRIDING | VARCHAR2 (3) | | (YES/NO) Indicates whether method is overriding a supertype method |
| INHERITED | VARCHAR2 (3) | | (YES/NO) Indicates whether the method is inherited from a supertype |

ALL_TYPES

ALL_TYPES describes all object types accessible to the user.

Related Views

- DBA_TYPES describes all object types in the database.
- USER_TYPES describes all object types owned by the current user. This view does not display the OWNER column.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|------------------|-----------------|----------|--|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Owner of the type |
| TYPE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the type |
| TYPE_OID | RAW (16) | NOT NULL | Object identifier (OID) of the type |
| TYPECODE | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Typecode of the type |
| ATTRIBUTES | NUMBER | | Number of attributes in the type |
| METHODS | NUMBER | | Number of methods in the type |
| PREDEFINED | VARCHAR2 (3) | | Indicates whether the type is a predefined type |
| INCOMPLETE | VARCHAR2 (3) | | Indicates whether the type is an incomplete type |
| FINAL | VARCHAR2 (3) | | (YES/NO) Indicates whether the type is final |
| INSTANTIABLE | VARCHAR2 (3) | | (YES/NO) Indicates whether the type is instantiable |
| SUPERTYPE_OWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Name of the supertype owner. NULL if type is not a subtype. |
| SUPERTYPE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Name of the supertype. NULL if type is not a subtype. |
| LOCAL_ATTRIBUTES | NUMBER | | Number of local attributes (not inherited). NULL if not a subtype. |

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|---------------|----------|------|---|
| LOCAL_METHODS | NUMBER | | Number of local methods (not inherited). NULL if not a subtype. |
| TYPEID | RAW(16) | | Type ID value of the type |

ALL_UNUSED_COL_TABS

ALL_UNUSED_COL_TABS describes all tables accessible to the current user that contain unused columns.

Related Views

- DBA_UNUSED_COL_TABS describes all tables in the database that contain unused columns.
- USER_UNUSED_COL_TABS describes all tables owned by the current user that contain unused columns. This view does not display the OWNER column.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|------------|--------------|----------|------------------------------|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | The owner of the object |
| TABLE_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | The name of the table |
| COUNT | NUMBER | | The number of unused columns |

ALL_UPDATABLE_COLUMNS

ALL_UPDATABLE_COLUMNS describes all columns in a join view that are updatable by the current user.

Related Views

- DBA_UPDATABLE_COLUMNS describes all columns in a join view that are updatable by the database administrator.
- USER_UPDATABLE_COLUMNS describes all columns owned by the current user that are in a join view and are updatable by the current user.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|------------|--------------|----------|-------------|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Table owner |
| TABLE_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Table name |

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-------------|-----------------|----------|--|
| COLUMN_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Column name |
| UPDATABLE | VARCHAR2 (3) | | Indicates whether the column is updatable |
| INSERTABLE | VARCHAR2 (3) | | Indicates whether the column is insertable |
| DELETABLE | VARCHAR2 (3) | | Indicates whether the column is deletable |

ALL_USERS

ALL_USERS lists all users of the database visible to the current user. This view does not describe the users (see the related views).

Related Views

- DBA_USERS describes all users in the database, and contains more columns than ALL_USERS. See ["DBA_USERS"](#) on page 2-166.
- USER_USERS describes the current user, and contains more columns that ALL_USERS. See ["USER_USERS"](#) on page 2-217.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|----------|-----------------|----------|-----------------------|
| USERNAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the user |
| USER_ID | NUMBER | NOT NULL | ID number of the user |
| CREATED | DATE | NOT NULL | User creation date |

ALL_USTATS

ALL_USTATS describes all user-defined statistics accessible to the current user.

Related Views

- DBA_USTATS describes all user-defined statistics in the database.
- USER_USTATS describes all user-defined statistics owned by the current user.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|--------------|-----------------|------|--|
| OBJECT_OWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Owner of the table or index for which the statistics have been collected |
| OBJECT_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Name of the table or index for which the statistics have been collected |

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|------------------|-----------------|------|--|
| OBJECT_TYPE | VARCHAR2(6) | | Indicates the type of object for which statistics have been collected: COLUMN or INDEX |
| ASSOCIATION | VARCHAR2 (8) | | DIRECT Indicates a direct association with the object for which the statistics have been collected. IMPLICIT indicates the association for which the statistics have been collected is with the column type or index type, and the object is an instance of that column type or index type. |
| COLUMN_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Column name, if property is column for which statistics have been collected |
| STATSTYPE_SCHEMA | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Schema of statistics type which was used to collect the statistics |
| STATSTYPE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Name of statistics type which was used to collect statistics |
| STATISTICS | RAW (2000) | | User collected statistics for the object |
| PARTITION_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | | Partition name of a table. If null, the table is either non-partitioned or the entry corresponds to the aggregate statistics for the table. |

ALL_VARRAYS

ALL_VARRAYS describes all varrays accessible to the user.

Related Views

- DBA_VARRAYS describes all varrays in the database.
- USER_VARRAYS describes all varrays owned by the current user. This view does not display the OWNER column.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|---------------------|-------------------|------|--|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Owner of the table containing the varray |
| PARENT_TABLE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Name of the containing table |
| PARENT_TABLE_COLUMN | VARCHAR2 (4000) | | Name of the varray column or attribute |
| TYPE_OWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Owner of the varray type |
| TYPE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Name of the varray type |
| LOB_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Name of the LOB if the varray is stored in a LOB |

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|--------------|--------------|------|---|
| STORAGE_SPEC | VARCHAR2(30) | | DEFAULT value indicates that the storage was defaulted. USER_SPECIFIED value indicates that the storage was user-specified. |
| RETURN_TYPE | VARCHAR2(20) | | Return type of the column |

ALL_VIEWS

ALL_VIEWS describes all views accessible to the current user.

Related Views

- DBA_VIEWS describes all views in the database.
- USER_VIEWS describes all views owned by the current user. This view does not display the OWNER column.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|------------------|----------------|----------|---|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the view |
| VIEW_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the view |
| TEXT_LENGTH | NUMBER | | Length of the view text |
| TEXT | LONG | | View text |
| TYPE_TEXT_LENGTH | NUMBER | | Length of the type clause of the typed view |
| TYPE_TEXT | VARCHAR2(4000) | | Type clause of the typed view |
| OID_TEXT_LENGTH | NUMBER | | Length of the WITH OID clause of the typed view |
| OID_TEXT | VARCHAR2(4000) | | WITH OID clause of the typed view |
| VIEW_TYPE_OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | | Owner of the type of the view if the view is a typed view |
| VIEW_TYPE | VARCHAR2(30) | | Type of the view if the view is a typed view |
| SUPERVIEW_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | | Name of the superview |

AUDIT_ACTIONS

AUDIT_ACTIONS describes audit trail action type codes.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|--------|-----------------|----------|--|
| ACTION | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Numeric audit trail action type code. These values also appear in the <code>COMMAND</code> column of the <code>V\$SESSION</code> dynamic performance view, and are listed with that view. See Also: Table 3-3 on page 3-112 for a listing of the action type codes |
| NAME | VARCHAR2 (27) | NOT NULL | Name of the type of audit trail action |

CATALOG

`CATALOG` is included for compatibility with Oracle version 5. Oracle Corporation recommends that you not use this view.

CAT

`CAT` is a synonym for `USER_CATALOG`.

See Also: ["USER_CATALOG"](#) on page 2-195

CHAINED_ROWS

`CHAINED_ROWS` stores the output for the `ANALYZE` statement with the `LIST CHAINED ROWS` clause. You must run the `utlchain.sql` or `utlchnl.sql` script to create this table.

| Column | Description |
|-------------------|--|
| OWNER_NAME | Table owner |
| TABLE_NAME | Table name |
| CLUSTER_NAME | Cluster the table is in, if any |
| PARTITION_NAME | The name of the partition |
| SUBPARTITION_NAME | The name of the subpartition |
| HEAD_ROWID | ROWID the chained row is accessed by |
| ANALYZE_TIMESTAMP | Date/time that the <code>ANALYZE</code> statement was issued |

CHANGE_SOURCES

CHANGE_SOURCES enables publishers to view existing change sources. You must have the SELECT_CATALOG_ROLE privilege to access this view.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|--------------------|-----------------|----------|--|
| SOURCE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | User specified identifier. For synchronous change sources, there is one pre-created source with the SOURCE_NAME "SYNC_SOURCE." |
| DBID | NUMBER | | The database identifier of the Oracle host instance (set by CDC when the first log is added to LogMiner) |
| LOG_DIRECTORY | VARCHAR2(4000) | NOT NULL | The file system path on the CDC machine where log files for this source are maintained |
| LOGFILE_PATTERN | VARCHAR2(30) | | This pattern enables you to recognize log files (for example, * .log) if the log location has files in it other than log files |
| SOURCE_DESCRIPTION | VARCHAR2(255) | | Comment field for customers |
| CREATED | DATE | NOT NULL | The creation date of the change source |

CHANGE_SETS

CHANGE_SETS enables publishers to view existing change sets. You must have the SELECT_CATALOG_ROLE privilege to access this view.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|--------------------|-----------------|----------|--|
| SET_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | User specified identifier. For synchronous change sources, there is one pre-created source with the SET_NAME "SYNC_SET." |
| CHANGE_SOURCE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | The change source to which this set belongs |
| BEGIN_DATE | DATE | | The starting point for capturing change data |
| END_DATE | DATE | | The stopping point for capturing change data |
| BEGIN_SCN | NUMBER | | The starting point for capturing change data |
| END_SCN | NUMBER | | The stopping point for capturing change data |
| FRESHNESS_DATE | DATE | | The stopping point for the last successful advance |
| FRESHNESS_SCN | NUMBER | | The stopping point for the last successful advance |
| ADVANCE_ENABLED | VARCHAR2(1) | NOT NULL | Identifies eligibility for advance (Y N) |
| IGNORE_DDL | VARCHAR2(1) | NOT NULL | Identifies whether to continue (Y) or stop (N) |
| CREATED | DATE | NOT NULL | The creation date of the change set |

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------------------|--------------|----------|---|
| ROLLBACK_SEGMENT_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | | Used during advance (optional) |
| ADVANCING | VARCHAR2(1) | NOT NULL | Identifies whether or not (Y N) an advance is in progress for this set (set by advance) |
| PURGING | VARCHAR2(1) | NOT NULL | Identifies whether or not (Y N) a purge of old data is in progress for this change set (set by advance) |
| LOWEST_SCN | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Current low water mark for change data remaining in this set after the latest purge |
| TABSPACE | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Location where advance creates LCR staging tables |

CHANGE_TABLES

CHANGE_TABLES enables publishers to see existing change tables. You must have the SELECT_CATALOG_ROLE privilege to access this view.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|---------------------|-----------------|----------|--|
| CHANGE_TABLE_SCHEMA | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Change table owner |
| CHANGE_TABLE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Change table name |
| CHANGE_SET_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | The change set this table belongs to |
| SOURCE_SCHEMA_NAME | VARCAHR2(30) | NOT NULL | The table owner in the source system |
| SOURCE_TABLE_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | The name of the corresponding table in the source system |
| CREATED | DATE | NOT NULL | Date on which this change table was created |
| CREATED_SCN | NUMBER | | The system commit SCN when this table was created |
| CAPTURED_VALUES | VARCHAR2(1) | NOT NULL | Indicates the values O (old), N (new), or B (both) |

CLU

CLU is a synonym for USER_CLUSTERS.

See Also: ["USER_CLUSTERS"](#) on page 2-196

CODE_PIECES

Oracle accesses this view to create the DBA_OBJECT_SIZE and USER_OBJECT_SIZE views.

See Also: ["DBA_OBJECT_SIZE"](#) on page 2-137 and ["USER_OBJECT_SIZE"](#) on page 2-204

CODE_SIZE

Oracle accesses this view to create the DBA_OBJECT_SIZE and USER_OBJECT_SIZE views.

See Also: ["DBA_OBJECT_SIZE"](#) on page 2-137 and ["USER_OBJECT_SIZE"](#) on page 2-204

COL

COL is included for compatibility with Oracle version 5. Oracle Corporation recommends that you not use this view.

COLS

COLS is a synonym for USER_TAB_COLUMNS.

See Also: ["USER_TAB_COLUMNS"](#) on page 2-213

COLUMN_PRIVILEGES

COLUMN_PRIVILEGES is included for compatibility with Oracle version 6. Oracle Corporation does not recommend use of this view.

DATABASE_PROPERTIES

DATABASE_PROPERTIES lists the current default temporary tablespace name.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|----------------|----------------|----------|--|
| PROPERTY_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Property name of the default temporary tablespace |
| PROPERTY_VALUE | VARCHAR2(4000) | | Property value of the default temporary tablespace |
| DESCRIPTION | VARCHAR2(4000) | | Property description of the default temporary tablespace |

DBA_2PC_NEIGHBORS

DBA_2PC_NEIGHBORS describes incoming and outgoing connections for pending transactions.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|---------------|------------------|------|--|
| LOCAL_TRAN_ID | VARCHAR2 (22) | | Local identifier of a transaction |
| IN_OUT | VARCHAR2 (3) | | IN for incoming connections, OUT for outgoing |
| DATABASE | VARCHAR2 (128) | | IN for client database name, OUT for outgoing database link |
| DBUSER_OWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | | IN for name of local user, OUT for owner of database link |
| INTERFACE | VARCHAR2 (1) | | C for request commit, otherwise N for prepare or request readonly commit |
| DBID | VARCHAR2 (16) | | The database ID at the other end of the connection |
| SESS# | NUMBER | | Session number of the connection at this database |
| BRANCH | VARCHAR2 (128) | | Transaction branch ID of the connection at this database |

DBA_2PC_PENDING

DBA_2PC_PENDING describes distributed transactions awaiting recovery.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|----------------|-------------------|----------|---|
| LOCAL_TRAN_ID | VARCHAR2 (22) | NOT NULL | String of form: n.n.n; n is a number |
| GLOBAL_TRAN_ID | VARCHAR2 (169) | | Globally unique transaction ID |
| STATE | VARCHAR2 (16) | NOT NULL | Collecting, prepared, committed, forced commit, or forced rollback |
| MIXED | VARCHAR2 (3) | | YES indicates part of the transaction committed and part rolled back |
| ADVICE | VARCHAR2 (1) | | C for commit, R for rollback, else NULL |
| TRAN_COMMENT | VARCHAR2 (2000) | | Text for commit work comment text |
| FAIL_TIME | DATE | NOT NULL | Value of SYSDATE when the row was inserted (transaction or system recovery) |
| FORCE_TIME | DATE | | Time of manual force decision (null if not forced locally) |
| RETRY_TIME | DATE | NOT NULL | Time automatic recovery (RECO) last tried to recover the transaction |

DBA_ALL_TABLES

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-------------|-------------------|------|--|
| OS_USER | VARCHAR2 (2000) | | Time automatic recovery (RECO) last tried to recover the transaction |
| OS_TERMINAL | VARCHAR2 (2000) | | Time automatic recovery (RECO) last tried to recover the transaction |
| HOST | VARCHAR2 (2000) | | Name of the host machine for the end-user |
| DB_USER | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Name of the host machine for the end-user |
| COMMIT# | VARCHAR2 (16) | | Name of the host machine for the end-user |

DBA_ALL_TABLES

DBA_ALL_TABLES displays descriptions of all object tables and relational tables in the database. Its columns are the same as those in "ALL_ALL_TABLES" on page 2-4.

DBA_APPLICATION_ROLES

DBA_APPLICATION_ROLES describes all the roles that have authentication policy functions defined.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|---------|-----------------|----------|----------------------------------|
| ROLE | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the application role |
| SCHEMA | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Schema of the authorized package |
| PACKAGE | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the authorized package |

DBA_ASSOCIATIONS

DBA_ASSOCIATIONS describes all user-defined statistics in the database. Its columns are the same as those for "ALL_ASSOCIATIONS" on page 2-7.

DBA_AUDIT_EXISTS

DBA_AUDIT_EXISTS lists audit trail entries produced by AUDIT NOT EXISTS.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-------------|------------------|------|--|
| OS_USERNAME | VARCHAR2 (255) | | Operating system login username of the user whose actions were audited |

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|---------------|----------------|----------|---|
| USERNAME | VARCHAR2(30) | | Name (not ID number) of the user whose actions were audited |
| USERHOST | VARCHAR2(2000) | | Numeric instance ID for the Oracle instance from which the user is accessing the database |
| TERMINAL | VARCHAR2(2000) | | Identifier of the user's terminal |
| TIMESTAMP | DATE | NOT NULL | Timestamp for the creation of the audit trail entry |
| OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | | Intended creator of the non-existent object |
| OBJ_NAME | VARCHAR2(128) | | Name of the object affected by the action |
| ACTION_NAME | VARCHAR2(27) | | Name of the action type corresponding to the numeric code in the ACTION column in DBA_AUDIT_TRAIL |
| NEW_OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | | Owner of the object named in the NEW_NAME column |
| NEW_NAME | VARCHAR2(128) | | New name of an object after a RENAME or the name of the underlying object |
| OBJ_PRIVILEGE | VARCHAR2(16) | | Object privileges granted or revoked by a GRANT or REVOKE statement |
| SYS_PRIVILEGE | VARCHAR2(40) | | System privileges granted or revoked by a GRANT or REVOKE statement |
| GRANTEE | VARCHAR2(30) | | Name of grantee specified in a GRANT or REVOKE statement |
| SESSIONID | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Numeric ID for each Oracle session |
| ENTRYID | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Numeric ID for each audit trail entry in the session |
| STATEMENTID | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Numeric ID for each statement run |
| RETURNCODE | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Oracle server message code generated by the action. Some useful values: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0: the action succeeded 2004: security violation |

DBA_AUDIT_OBJECT

DBA_AUDIT_OBJECT contains audit trail records for all objects in the system.

Related View

- USER_AUDIT_OBJECT contains audit trail records for all objects accessible to the current user.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|--------------|----------------|----------|--|
| OS_USERNAME | VARCHAR2(255) | | Operating system login username of the user whose actions were audited |
| USERNAME | VARCHAR2(30) | | Name (not ID number) of the user whose actions were audited |
| USERHOST | VARCHAR2(2000) | | Numeric instance ID for the Oracle instance from which the user is accessing the database |
| TERMINAL | VARCHAR2(2000) | | Identifier of the user's terminal |
| TIMESTAMP | DATE | NOT NULL | Timestamp for the creation of the audit trail entry or login time for the CONNECT statement |
| OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | | Creator of the object affected by the action |
| OBJ_NAME | VARCHAR2(128) | | Name of the object affected by the action |
| ACTION_NAME | VARCHAR2(27) | | Name of the action type corresponding to the numeric code in the ACTION column in DBA_AUDIT_TRAIL |
| NEW_OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | | Owner of the object named in the NEW_NAME column |
| NEW_NAME | VARCHAR2(128) | | New name of an object after a RENAME or the name of the underlying object |
| SES_ACTIONS | VARCHAR2(19) | | Session summary (a string of 16 characters, one for each action type in the order ALTER, AUDIT, COMMENT, DELETE, GRANT, INDEX, INSERT, LOCK, RENAME, SELECT, UPDATE, REFERENCES, and EXECUTE. Positions 14, 15, and 16 are reserved for future use. The characters are: – for none, S for success, F for failure, and B for both). |
| COMMENT_TEXT | VARCHAR2(4000) | | Text comment on the audit trail |
| SESSIONID | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Numeric ID for each Oracle session |
| ENTRYID | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Numeric ID for each audit trail entry in the session |
| STATEMENTID | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Numeric ID for each statement run |
| RETURNCODE | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Oracle server message code generated by the action. Some useful values: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0: the action succeeded 2004: security violation |
| PRIV_USED | VARCHAR2(40) | | System privilege used to execute the action |

DBA_AUDIT_SESSION

DBA_AUDIT_SESSION lists all audit trail records concerning CONNECT and DISCONNECT.

Related View

- USER_AUDIT_SESSION contains audit trail records concerning connections and disconnections of the current user.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|---------------|-------------------|----------|---|
| OS_USERNAME | VARCHAR2 (255) | | Operating system login username of the user whose actions were audited |
| USERNAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Name (not ID number) of the user whose actions were audited |
| USERHOST | VARCHAR2 (2000) | | Numeric instance ID for the Oracle instance from which the user is accessing the database |
| TERMINAL | VARCHAR2 (2000) | | Identifier of the user's terminal |
| TIMESTAMP | DATE | NOT NULL | Timestamp for the creation of the audit trail entry or login time for the CONNECT statement |
| ACTION_NAME | VARCHAR2 (27) | | Name of the action type corresponding to the numeric code in the ACTION column in DBA_AUDIT_TRAIL |
| LOGOFF_TIME | DATE | | Timestamp for user log off |
| LOGOFF_LREAD | NUMBER | | Logical reads for the session |
| LOGOFF_PREAD | NUMBER | | Physical reads for the session |
| LOGOFF_LWRITE | NUMBER | | Logical writes for the session |
| LOGOFF_DLOCK | VARCHAR2 (40) | | Deadlocks detected during the session |
| SESSIONID | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Numeric ID for each Oracle session |
| RETURNCODE | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Oracle server message code generated by the action. Some useful values: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ 0: the action succeeded ■ 2004: security violation |

DBA_AUDIT_STATEMENT

DBA_AUDIT_STATEMENT lists audit trail records concerning GRANT, REVOKE, AUDIT, NOAUDIT, and ALTER SYSTEM statements throughout the database.

Related View

- **USER_AUDIT_STATEMENT** contains audit trail records for the same statements issued by the current user.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|---------------|----------------|----------|--|
| OS_USERNAME | VARCHAR2(255) | | Operating system login username of the user whose actions were audited |
| USERNAME | VARCHAR2(30) | | Name (not ID number) of the user whose actions were audited |
| USERHOST | VARCHAR2(2000) | | Numeric instance ID for the Oracle instance from which the user is accessing the database |
| TERMINAL | VARCHAR2(2000) | | Identifier of the user's terminal |
| TIMESTAMP | DATE | NOT NULL | Timestamp for the creation of the audit trail entry or login time for the CONNECT statement |
| OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | | Creator of the object affected by the action |
| OBJ_NAME | VARCHAR2(128) | | Name of object affected by the action |
| ACTION_NAME | VARCHAR2(27) | | Name of the action type corresponding to the numeric code in the ACTION column in DBA_AUDIT_TRAIL |
| NEW_NAME | VARCHAR2(128) | | New name of an object after a RENAME or the name of the underlying object |
| OBJ_PRIVILEGE | VARCHAR2(16) | | Object privileges granted or revoked by a GRANT or REVOKE statement |
| SYS_PRIVILEGE | VARCHAR2(40) | | System privileges granted or revoked by a GRANT or REVOKE statement |
| ADMIN_OPTION | VARCHAR2(1) | | Signifies the role or system privilege was granted with ADMIN option |
| GRANTEE | VARCHAR2(30) | | Name of grantee specified in a GRANT or REVOKE statement |
| AUDIT_OPTION | VARCHAR2(40) | | Auditing option set with the AUDIT statement |
| SES_ACTIONS | VARCHAR2(19) | | Session summary (a string of 16 characters, one for each action type in the order ALTER, AUDIT, COMMENT, DELETE, GRANT, INDEX, INSERT, LOCK, RENAME, SELECT, UPDATE, REFERENCES, and EXECUTE. Positions 14, 15, and 16 are reserved for future use. The characters are: - for none, S for success, F for failure, and B for both). |
| COMMENT_TEXT | VARCHAR2(4000) | | Text comment on the audit trail, inserted by the application |
| SESSIONID | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Numeric ID for each Oracle session |

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-------------|-----------------|----------|---|
| ENTRYID | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Numeric ID for each audit trail entry in the session |
| STATEMENTID | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Numeric ID for each statement run |
| RETURNCODE | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Oracle Server message code generated by the action. Some useful values: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0: the action succeeded 2004: security violation |
| PRIV_USED | VARCHAR2 (40) | | System privilege used to execute the action |

DBA_AUDIT_TRAIL

DBA_AUDIT_TRAIL lists all audit trail entries.

Related View

- USER_AUDIT_TRAIL contains all audit trail entries related to the current user.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|---------------|-------------------|----------|---|
| OS_USERNAME | VARCHAR2 (255) | | Operating system login username of the user whose actions were audited |
| USERNAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Name (not ID number) of the user whose actions were audited |
| USERHOST | VARCHAR2 (2000) | | Numeric instance ID for the Oracle instance from which the user is accessing the database |
| TERMINAL | VARCHAR2 (2000) | | Identifier of the user's terminal |
| TIMESTAMP | DATE | NOT NULL | Timestamp for the creation of the audit trail entry or login time for the CONNECT statement |
| OWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Creator of the object affected by the action |
| OBJ_NAME | VARCHAR2 (128) | | Name of the object affected by the action |
| ACTION | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Numeric type code corresponding to the action |
| ACTION_NAME | VARCHAR2 (27) | | Name of the action type corresponding to the numeric code in the ACTION column |
| NEW_OWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Owner of the object named in the NEW_NAME column |
| NEW_NAME | VARCHAR2 (128) | | New name of an object after a RENAME or the name of the underlying object |
| OBJ_PRIVILEGE | VARCHAR2 (16) | | Object privileges granted or revoked by a GRANT or REVOKE statement |

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|---------------|----------------|----------|---|
| SYS_PRIVILEGE | VARCHAR2(40) | | System privileges granted or revoked by a GRANT or REVOKE statement |
| ADMIN_OPTION | VARCHAR2(1) | | Signifies the role or system privilege was granted with ADMIN option |
| GRANTEE | VARCHAR2(30) | | Name of grantee specified in a GRANT or REVOKE statement |
| AUDIT_OPTION | VARCHAR2(40) | | Auditing option set with the AUDIT statement |
| SES_ACTIONS | VARCHAR2(19) | | Session summary (a string of 16 characters, one for each action type in the order ALTER, AUDIT, COMMENT, DELETE, GRANT, INDEX, INSERT, LOCK, RENAME, SELECT, UPDATE, REFERENCES, and EXECUTE. Positions 14, 15, and 16 are reserved for future use. The characters are: – for none, S for success, F for failure, and B for both). |
| LOGOFF_TIME | DATE | | Timestamp for user log off |
| LOGOFF_LREAD | NUMBER | | Logical reads for the session |
| LOGOFF_PREAD | NUMBER | | Physical reads for the session |
| LOGOFF_LWRITE | NUMBER | | Logical writes for the session |
| LOGOFF_DLOCK | VARCHAR2(40) | | Deadlocks detected during the session |
| COMMENT_TEXT | VARCHAR2(4000) | | <p>Text comment on the audit trail entry, providing more information about the statement audited</p> <p>Also indicates how the user was authenticated. The method can be one of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">■ DATABASE: authentication was done by password■ NETWORK: authentication was done by Net8 or the Advanced Security option■ PROXY: the client was authenticated by another user; the name of the proxy user follows the method type |
| SESSIONID | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Numeric ID for each Oracle session |
| ENTRYID | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Numeric ID for each audit trail entry in the session |
| STATEMENTID | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Numeric ID for each statement run |
| RETURNCODE | NUMBER | NOT NULL | <p>Oracle server message code generated by the action. Some useful values:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">■ 0: the action succeeded■ 2004: security violation |
| PRIV_USED | VARCHAR2(40) | | System privilege used to execute the action |

DBA_BLOCKERS

DBA_BLOCKERS displays a session if it is not waiting for a locked object but is holding a lock on an object for which another session is waiting.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------------|----------|------|------------------------|
| HOLDING_SESSION | NUMBER | | Session holding a lock |

DBA_BASE_TABLE_MVIEWS

DBA_BASE_TABLE_MVIEWS` describes all materialized views using materialized view logs in the database. Its columns are the same as those in ALL_BASE_TABLE_MVIEWS.

See Also: ["ALL_BASE_TABLE_MVIEWS"](#) on page 2-8

DBA_CATALOG

DBA_CATALOG lists all indexes, tables, views, clusters, synonyms, and sequences in the database. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_CATALOG"](#) on page 2-9.

DBA_CLU_COLUMNS

DBA_CLU_COLUMNS maps all table columns to related cluster columns.

Related View

- [USER_CLU_COLUMNS](#) maps all table columns owned by the current user to related cluster columns. This view does not display the OWNER column.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------------|----------------|----------|---|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the cluster |
| CLUSTER_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Cluster name |
| CLU_COLUMN_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Key column in the cluster |
| TABLE_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Clustered table name |
| TAB_COLUMN_NAME | VARCHAR2(4000) | | Key column or attribute of the object type column |

DBA_CLUSTER_HASH_EXPRESSIONS

DBA_CLUSTER_HASH_EXPRESSIONS lists hash functions for all hash clusters in the database. Its columns are the same as those in "[ALL_CLUSTER_HASH_EXPRESSIONS](#)" on page 2-9.

DBA_CLUSTERS

DBA_CLUSTERS describes all clusters in the database. Its columns are the same as those in "[ALL_CLUSTERS](#)" on page 2-10.

DBA_COL_COMMENTS

DBA_COL_COMMENTS describes comments on columns of all tables and views in the database. Its columns are the same as those in "[ALL_COL_COMMENTS](#)" on page 2-11.

DBA_COL_PRIVS

DBA_COL_PRIVS describes all object column grants in the database. Its columns are the same as those in "[ALL_COL_PRIVS](#)" on page 2-11.

DBA_COLL_TYPES

DBA_COLL_TYPES describes all named collection types (arrays, nested tables, object tables, and so on) in the database. Its columns are the same as those in "[ALL_COLL_TYPES](#)" on page 2-13.

DBA_CONS_COLUMNS

DBA_CONS_COLUMNS describes all columns in the database that are specified in constraint definitions. Its columns are the same as those in "[ALL_CONS_COLUMNS](#)" on page 2-14.

DBA_CONSTRAINTS

DBA_CONSTRAINTS describes all constraint definitions on all tables in the database. Its columns are the same as those in "[ALL_CONSTRAINTS](#)" on page 2-15.

DBA_CONTEXT

DBA_CONTEXT provides all context namespace information in the database. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_CONTEXT"](#) on page 2-16.

DBA_DATA_FILES

DBA_DATA_FILES describes database files.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------------|---------------|----------|--|
| FILE_NAME | VARCHAR2(513) | | Name of the database file |
| FILE_ID | NUMBER | NOT NULL | ID of the database file |
| TABLESPACE_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the tablespace to which the file belongs |
| BYTES | NUMBER | | Size of the file in bytes |
| BLOCKS | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Size of the file in Oracle blocks |
| STATUS | VARCHAR2(9) | | File status: AVAILABLE or INVALID (INVALID means that the file number is not in use, for example, a file in a tablespace that was dropped) |
| RELATIVE_FNO | NUMBER | | Relative file number |
| AUTOEXTENSIBLE | VARCHAR2(3) | | Autoextensible indicator |
| MAXBYTES | NUMBER | | Maximum file size in bytes |
| MAXBLOCKS | NUMBER | | Maximum file size in blocks |
| INCREMENT_BY | NUMBER | | Autoextension increment |
| USER_BYTES | NUMBER | | Corresponding number of bytes |
| USER_BLOCKS | NUMBER | | Number of blocks which can be used by the data |

DBA_DB_LINKS

DBA_DB_LINKS describes all database links in the database. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_DB_LINKS"](#) on page 2-17.

DBA_DDL_LOCKS

DBA_DDL_LOCKS lists all DDL locks held in the database and all outstanding requests for a DDL lock.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|----------------|-----------------|------|--|
| SESSION_ID | NUMBER | | Session identifier |
| OWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Owner of the lock |
| NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Name of the lock |
| TYPE | VARCHAR2 (40) | | Lock type: CURSOR, TABLE/PROCEDURE/TYPE, BODY, TRIGGER, INDEX, CLUSTER |
| MODE_HELD | VARCHAR2 (9) | | Lock mode: NONE, NULL, SHARE, EXCLUSIVE |
| MODE_REQUESTED | VARCHAR2 (9) | | Lock request type: NONE, NULL, SHARE, EXCLUSIVE |

DBA_DEPENDENCIES

DBA_DEPENDENCIES describes all dependencies in the database between procedures, packages, functions, package bodies, and triggers, including dependencies on views created without any database links. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_DEPENDENCIES"](#) on page 2-18.

DBA_DIM_ATTRIBUTES

DBA_DIM_ATTRIBUTES describes the relationships between dimension levels and functionally dependent columns in the database. The level columns and the dependent column must be in the same table. This view's columns are the same as those in ["ALL_DIM_ATTRIBUTES"](#) on page 2-19.

DBA_DIM_CHILD_OF

DBA_DIM_CHILD_OF describes a hierarchical relationship of 1 to *n* between all the pairs of levels in the dimensions in the database. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_DIM_CHILD_OF"](#) on page 2-19.

DBA_DIM_HIERARCHIES

DBA_DIM_HIERARCHIES describes all the dimension hierarchies in the database. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_DIM_HIERARCHIES"](#) on page 2-20.

DBA_DIM_JOIN_KEY

DBA_DIM_JOIN_KEY describes all joins in the database between two dimension tables. The join is always specified between a parent dimension level column and a child column. This view's columns are the same as those in ["ALL_DIM_JOIN_KEY"](#) on page 2-20.

DBA_DIM_LEVEL_KEY

DBA_DIM_LEVEL_KEY describes the columns of all dimension levels in the database. This view's columns are the same as those in ["ALL_DIM_LEVEL_KEY"](#) on page 2-21.

DBA_DIM_LEVELS

DBA_DIM_LEVELS describes all dimension levels in the database. All columns of a dimension level must come from the same relation. This view's columns are the same as those in ["ALL_DIM_LEVELS"](#) on page 2-21.

DBA_DIMENSIONS

DBA_DIMENSIONS represents dimension objects. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_DIMENSIONS"](#) on page 2-22.

DBA_DIRECTORIES

DBA_DIRECTORIES describes all directory objects in the database. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_DIRECTORIES"](#) on page 2-22.

DBA_DML_LOCKS

DBA_DML_LOCKS lists all DML locks held in the database and all outstanding requests for a DML lock.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|------------|-----------------|----------|---------------------------------------|
| SESSION_ID | NUMBER | | Session holding or acquiring the lock |
| OWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the lock |
| NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the lock |

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------------|-----------------|------|--|
| MODE_HELD | VARCHAR2 (13) | | The type of lock held. The values are: <ul style="list-style-type: none">ROWS_S (SS): row share lockROW-X (SX): row exclusive lockSHARE (S): share lockS/ROW-X (SSX): exclusive lockNONE: lock requested but not yet obtained |
| MODE_REQUESTED | VARCHAR2 (13) | | Lock request type. The values are: <ul style="list-style-type: none">ROWS_S (SS): row share lockROW-X (SX): row exclusive lockSHARE (S): share lockS/ROW-X (SSX): exclusive lockNONE: Lock identifier obtained; lock not held or requested |
| LAST_CONVERT | NUMBER | | The last convert |
| BLOCKING_OTHERS | VARCHAR2 (40) | | Blocking others |

DBA_ERRORS

DBA_ERRORS describes current errors on all stored objects (views, procedures, functions, packages, and package bodies) in the database. Its columns are the same as those in "[ALL_ERRORS](#)" on page 2-23.

DBA_EXP_FILES

DBA_EXP_FILES describes export files.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-------------|------------------|----------|---|
| EXP_VERSION | NUMBER (3) | NOT NULL | Version number of the export session |
| EXP_TYPE | VARCHAR2 (11) | | Type of export file: complete, cumulative, or incremental |
| FILE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (100) | NOT NULL | Name of the export file |
| USER_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of user who executed export |
| TIMESTAMP | DATE | NOT NULL | Timestamp of the export session |

DBA_EXP_OBJECTS

DBA_EXP_OBJECTS describes objects that have been incrementally exported.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|----------------|--------------|----------|--------------------------------------|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Owner of exported object |
| OBJECT_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of exported object |
| OBJECT_TYPE | VARCHAR2(12) | | Type of exported object |
| CUMULATIVE | DATE | | Timestamp of last cumulative export |
| INCREMENTAL | DATE | NOT NULL | Timestamp of last incremental export |
| EXPORT_VERSION | NUMBER(3) | NOT NULL | The ID of the export session |

DBA_EXP_VERSION

DBA_EXP_VERSION displays the version number of the last export session.

| Column | Datatypes | NULL | Description |
|-------------|-----------|----------|---|
| EXP_VERSION | NUMBER(3) | NOT NULL | Version number of the last export session |

DBA_EXTENTS

DBA_EXTENTS describes the extents comprising all segments in the database.

Related View

- **USER_EXTENTS** describes extents in segments associated with objects owned by the current user. This view does not display the OWNER, FILE_ID, BLOCK_ID, or RELATIVE_FNO columns.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------------|--------------|----------|---|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | | Owner of the segment associated with the extent |
| SEGMENT_NAME | VARCHAR2(81) | | Name of the segment associated with the extent |
| SEGMENT_TYPE | VARCHAR2(17) | | Type of the segment: INDEX PARTITION, TABLE PARTITION |
| TABLESPACE_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | | Name of the tablespace containing the extent |
| EXTENT_ID | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Extent number in the segment |
| FILE_ID | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Name of the file containing the extent |

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|----------------|-----------------|----------|---|
| BLOCK_ID | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Starting block number of the extent |
| BYTES | NUMBER | | Size of the extent in bytes |
| BLOCKS | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Size of the extent in Oracle blocks |
| RELATIVE_FNO | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Relative file number of the first extent block |
| PARTITION_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Object Partition Name (Set to NULL for non-partitioned objects) |

DBA_EXTERNAL_TABLES

DBA_EXTERNAL_TABLES describes all external tables in the database. Its columns are the same as those in ALL_EXTERNAL_TABLES.

See Also: ["ALL_EXTERNAL_TABLES"](#) on page 2-23

DBA_FREE_SPACE

DBA_FREE_SPACE lists the free extents in all tablespaces.

Related View

- USER_FREE_SPACE lists the free extents in tablespaces accessible to the current user.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------------|-----------------|----------|--|
| TABLESPACE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the tablespace containing the extent |
| FILE_ID | NUMBER | NOT NULL | ID number of the file containing the extent |
| BLOCK_ID | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Starting block number of the extent |
| BYTES | NUMBER | | Size of the extent in bytes |
| BLOCKS | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Size of the extent in Oracle blocks |
| RELATIVE_FNO | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Relative file number of the first extent block |

DBA_FREE_SPACE_COALESCED

DBA_FREE_SPACE_COALESCED contains statistics on coalesced space in tablespaces.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-------------------------------|-----------------|----------|--|
| TABSPACE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of tablespace |
| TOTAL_EXTENTS | NUMBER | | Total number of free extents in tablespace |
| EXTENTS_COALESCED | NUMBER | | Total number of coalesced free extents in tablespace |
| PERCENT_EXTENTS _COALESCED | NUMBER | | Percentage of coalesced free extents in tablespace |
| TOTAL_BYTES | NUMBER | | Total number of free bytes in tablespace |
| BYTES_COALESCED | NUMBER | | Total number of coalesced free bytes in tablespace |
| TOTAL_BLOCKS | NUMBER | | Total number of free Oracle blocks in tablespace |
| BLOCKS_COALESCED | NUMBER | | Total number of coalesced free Oracle blocks in tablespace |
| PERCENT_BLOCKS _COALESCED | NUMBER | | Percentage of coalesced free Oracle blocks in tablespace |

DBA_HISTOGRAMS

DBA_HISTOGRAMS is a synonym for DBA_TAB_HISTOGRAMS.

See Also: ["DBA_TAB_HISTOGRAMS"](#) on page 2-160

DBA_IND_COLUMNS

DBA_IND_COLUMNS describes the columns of all the indexes on all tables and clusters in the database. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_IND_COLUMNS"](#) on page 2-24.

DBA_IND_EXPRESSIONS

DBA_IND_EXPRESSIONS lists expressions of function-based indexes on all tables and clusters in the database. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_IND_EXPRESSIONS"](#) on page 2-25.

DBA_IND_PARTITIONS

DBA_IND_PARTITIONS describes, for each index partition in the database, the partition-level partitioning information, the storage parameters for the partition, and various partition statistics collected by ANALYZE statements. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_IND_PARTITIONS"](#) on page 2-26.

DBA_IND_SUBPARTITIONS

DBA_IND_SUBPARTITIONS describes, for each index subpartition in the database, the partition-level partitioning information, the storage parameters for the subpartition, and various partition statistics collected by ANALYZE statements. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_IND_SUBPARTITIONS"](#) on page 2-28.

DBA_INDEXES

DBA_INDEXES describes all indexes in the database. To gather statistics for this view, use the SQL ANALYZE statement. This view supports parallel partitioned index scans. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_INDEXES"](#) on page 2-30.

DBA_INDEXTYPE_COMMENTS

DBA_INDEXTYPE_COMMENTS lists all comments for user-defined indextypes in the database. Its columns are the same as those in ALL_INDEXTYPE_COMMENTS.

See Also: ["ALL_INDEXTYPE_COMMENTS"](#) on page 2-33

DBA_INDEXTYPE_OPERATORS

DBA_INDEXTYPE_OPERATORS lists all the operators supported by indextypes in the database. Its columns are the same as those in ALL_INDEXTYPE_OPERATORS.

See Also: ["ALL_INDEXTYPE_OPERATORS"](#) on page 2-33

DBA_INDEXTYPES

DBA_INDEXTYPES describes all indextypes in the database. Its columns are the same as those in ALL_INDEXTYPES.

See Also: ["ALL_INDEXTYPES"](#) on page 2-34

DBA_INTERNAL_TRIGGERS

DBA_INTERNAL_TRIGGERS describes internal triggers on all tables in the database. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_INTERNAL_TRIGGERS"](#) on page 2-35.

DBA_JOBS

DBA_JOBS describes all jobs in the database. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_JOBS"](#) on page 2-35.

See Also: *Oracle9i Database Administrator's Guide* for more information on jobs

DBA_JOBS_RUNNING

DBA_JOBS_RUNNING lists all jobs in the database that are currently running.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------|----------------|------|--|
| SID | NUMBER | | Identifier of process that is executing the job. See "V\$LOCK" . |
| JOB | NUMBER | | Identifier of job. This job is currently executing. |
| FAILURES | NUMBER | | Number of times this job started and failed since its last success. |
| LAST_DATE | DATE | | Date that this job last successfully executed. |
| LAST_SEC | VARCHAR2 (8) | | Same as LAST_DATE. This is when the last successful execution started. |
| THIS_DATE | DATE | | Date that this job started executing. |
| THIS_SEC | VARCHAR2 (8) | | Same as THIS_DATE. This is when the last successful execution started. |
| INSTANCE | NUMBER | | Indicates which instance can execute or is executing the job; the default is 0. |

DBA_JOIN_IND_COLUMNS

DBA_JOIN_IND_COLUMNS describes all join conditions in the database. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_JOIN_IND_COLUMNS"](#) on page 2-36.

DBA_KGLLOCK

DBA_KGLLOCK lists all the locks and pins held on KGL objects (objects in the Kernel Generic Library cache).

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|----------|-----------|------|--|
| kgllkuse | RAW (4) | | Address of the user session that holds the lock or pin |

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| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------|---------------|------|---|
| kgllkhdl | RAW(4) | | Address of the handle for the KGL object |
| kgllkmod | NUMBER | | Current mode of the lock or pin |
| kgllkreq | NUMBER | | Mode in which the lock or pin was requested |
| kgllktype | VARCHAR2(4) | | Whether this is a lock or a pin |

DBA_LIBRARIES

DBA_LIBRARIES describes all the libraries in the database. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_LIBRARIES"](#) on page 2-37.

DBA_LOB_PARTITIONS

DBA_LOB_PARTITIONS displays all LOB partitions in the database. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_LOB_PARTITIONS"](#) on page 2-38.

DBA_LOB_SUBPARTITIONS

DBA_LOB_SUBPARTITIONS displays partition-level attributes of all LOB data subpartitions in the database. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_LOB_SUBPARTITIONS"](#) on page 2-39.

DBA_LOBS

DBA_LOBS displays the BLOBs and CLOBs contained in all tables in the database. BFILES are stored outside the database, so they are not described by this view. This view's columns are the same as those in ["ALL_LOBS"](#) on page 2-40.

DBA_LOCK_INTERNAL

DBA_LOCK_INTERNAL displays a row for each lock or latch that is being held, and one row for each outstanding request for a lock or latch.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|------------|----------|------|---------------------------------------|
| SESSION_ID | NUMBER | | Session holding or acquiring the lock |

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|----------------|----------------|------|---|
| LOCK_TYPE | VARCHAR2(56) | | Lock type See Also: For a listing of lock types, see Appendix B, "Oracle Enqueue Names" |
| MODE_HELD | VARCHAR2(40) | | Lock mode |
| MODE_REQUESTED | VARCHAR2(40) | | Lock mode requested |
| LOCK_ID1 | VARCHAR2(1130) | | Type-specific lock identifier, part 1 |
| LOCK_ID2 | VARCHAR2(40) | | Type-specific lock identifier, part 2 |

DBA_LOCKS

DBA_LOCKS lists all locks or latches held in the database, and all outstanding requests for a lock or latch.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------------|--------------|------|---|
| SESSION_ID | NUMBER | | Session holding or acquiring the lock |
| LOCK_TYPE | VARCHAR2(26) | | Lock type See Also: For a listing of lock types, see Appendix B, "Oracle Enqueue Names" |
| MODE_HELD | VARCHAR2(40) | | Lock mode |
| MODE_REQUESTED | VARCHAR2(40) | | Lock mode requested |
| LOCK_ID1 | VARCHAR2(40) | | Type-specific lock identifier, part 1 |
| LOCK_ID2 | VARCHAR2(40) | | Type-specific lock identifier, part 2 |
| LAST_CONVERT | NUMBER | | The last convert |
| BLOCKING_OTHERS | VARCHAR2(40) | | Whether the lock is currently blocking others |

DBA_LOG_GROUP_COLUMNS

DBA_LOG_GROUP_COLUMNS describes all columns in the database that are specified in log groups. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_LOG_GROUP_COLUMNS"](#) on page 2-42.

DBA_LOG_GROUPS

DBA_LOG_GROUPS describes log group definitions on all tables in the database. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_LOG_GROUPS"](#) on page 2-42.

DBA_METHOD_PARAMS

DBA_METHOD_PARAMS describes all method parameters of all types in the database. Its columns are the same as those in "[ALL_METHOD_PARAMS](#)" on page 2-43.

DBA_METHOD_RESULTS

DBA_METHOD_RESULTS describes all method results of all types in the database. Its columns are the same as those in "[ALL_METHOD_RESULTS](#)" on page 2-43.

DBA_MVIEW_AGGREGATES

DBA_MVIEW_AGGREGATES describes the grouping functions (aggregated measures) that appear in the SELECT list of all aggregated materialized view in the database. Its columns are the same as those in "[ALL_MVIEW_AGGREGATES](#)" on page 2-44.

DBA_MVIEW_ANALYSIS

DBA_MVIEW_ANALYSIS describes all materialized views in the database that potentially support query rewrite and that provide additional information for analysis by applications. Its columns are the same as those in "[ALL_MVIEW_ANALYSIS](#)" on page 2-45.

Note: This view excludes materialized views that reference remote tables or that include references to non-static values such as SYSDATE or USER. This view also excludes materialized views that were created as snapshots prior to Oracle8i and that were never altered to enable query rewrite.

DBA_MVIEW_DETAIL_RELATIONS

DBA_MVIEW_DETAIL_RELATIONS represents the named detail relations that are either in the FROM list of a materialized view, or that are indirectly referenced through views in the FROM list. Its columns are the same as those in "[ALL_MVIEW_DETAIL_RELATIONS](#)" on page 2-47.

DBA_MVIEW_JOINS

DBA_MVIEW_JOINS describes a join between two columns in the WHERE clause of a subquery that defines a materialized view. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_MVIEW_JOINS"](#) on page 2-47.

DBA_MVIEW_KEYS

DBA_MVIEW_KEYS describes the columns or expressions in the SELECT list upon which materialized views in the database are based. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_MVIEW_KEYS"](#) on page 2-48.

DBA_MVIEW_LOG_FILTER_COLS

DBA_MVIEW_LOG_FILTER_COLS lists all columns (excluding primary key columns) being logged in the materialized view logs.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-------------|--------------|----------|--|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the master table being logged |
| NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the master table being logged |
| COLUMN_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Column being logged |

DBA_MVIEW_REFRESH_TIMES

DBA_MVIEW_REFRESH_TIMES describes refresh times of all materialized views in the database. Its columns are the same as those in [ALL_MVIEW_REFRESH_TIMES](#).

See Also: ["ALL_MVIEW_REFRESH_TIMES"](#) on page 2-49

DBA_MVIEWS

DBA_MVIEWS describes all materialized views in the database. Its columns are the same as those in [ALL_MVIEWS](#).

See Also: ["ALL_MVIEWS"](#) on page 2-50

DBA_NESTED_TABLES

DBA_NESTED_TABLES describes all nested tables contained in all tables in the database. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_NESTED_TABLES"](#) on page 2-53.

DBA_OBJ_AUDIT_OPTS

DBA_OBJ_AUDIT_OPTS describes auditing options on all objects.

Related View

- USER_OBJ_AUDIT_OPTS describes auditing options on all objects owned by the current user. This view does not display the OWNER column.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-------------|--------------|------|--|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | | Owner of the object |
| OBJECT_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | | Name of the object |
| OBJECT_TYPE | VARCHAR2(9) | | Type of the object |
| ALT | VARCHAR2(3) | | Auditing ALTER WHENEVER SUCCESSFUL/UNSUCCESSFUL |
| AUD | VARCHAR2(3) | | Auditing AUDIT WHENEVER SUCCESSFUL/UNSUCCESSFUL |
| COM | VARCHAR2(3) | | Auditing COMMENT WHENEVER SUCCESSFUL/UNSUCCESSFUL |
| DEL | VARCHAR2(3) | | Auditing DELETE WHENEVER SUCCESSFUL/UNSUCCESSFUL |
| GRA | VARCHAR2(3) | | Auditing GRANT WHENEVER SUCCESSFUL/UNSUCCESSFUL |
| IND | VARCHAR2(3) | | Auditing INDEX WHENEVER SUCCESSFUL/UNSUCCESSFUL |
| INS | VARCHAR2(3) | | Auditing INSERT WHENEVER SUCCESSFUL/UNSUCCESSFUL |
| LOC | VARCHAR2(3) | | Auditing LOCK WHENEVER SUCCESSFUL/UNSUCCESSFUL |
| REN | VARCHAR2(3) | | Auditing RENAME WHENEVER SUCCESSFUL/UNSUCCESSFUL |
| SEL | VARCHAR2(3) | | Auditing SELECT WHENEVER SUCCESSFUL/UNSUCCESSFUL |
| UPD | VARCHAR2(3) | | Auditing UPDATE WHENEVER SUCCESSFUL/UNSUCCESSFUL |
| REF | VARCHAR2(3) | | Auditing REFERENCE WHENEVER SUCCESSFUL/UNSUCCESSFUL (not used) |
| EXE | VARCHAR2(3) | | Auditing EXECUTE WHENEVER SUCCESSFUL/UNSUCCESSFUL |
| REA | VARCHAR2(3) | | Auditing READ WHENEVER SUCCESSFUL/UNSUCCESSFUL |

DBA_OBJECT_SIZE

DBA_OBJECT_SIZE lists the sizes, in bytes, of various PL/SQL objects.

Related View

USER_OBJECT_SIZE lists the size of PL/SQL objects owned by the current user.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-------------|--------------|----------|---|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the object |
| NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the object |
| TYPE | VARCHAR2(12) | | Type of the object: TYPE, TYPE BODY, TABLE, VIEW, SYNONYM, SEQUENCE, PROCEDURE, FUNCTION, PACKAGE, PACKAGE BODY, JAVA SOURCE, JAVA CLASS or JAVA RESOURCE |
| SOURCE_SIZE | NUMBER | | Size of the source in bytes. Must be in memory during compilation, or dynamic recompilation. |
| PARSED_SIZE | NUMBER | | Size of the parsed form of the object, in bytes. Must be in memory when an object is being compiled that references this object. |
| CODE_SIZE | NUMBER | | Code size, in bytes. Must be in memory when this object is executing. |
| ERROR_SIZE | NUMBER | | Size of error messages, in bytes. In memory during the compilation of the object when there are compilation errors. |

DBA_OBJECT_TABLES

DBA_OBJECT_TABLES describes all object tables in the database. Its columns are the same as those in "[ALL_OBJECT_TABLES](#)" on page 2-54.

DBA_OBJECTS

DBA_OBJECTS describes all objects in the database. Its columns are the same as those in "[ALL_OBJECTS](#)" on page 2-56.

DBA_OPANCILLARY

DBA_OPANCILLARY provides ancillary information for all operator bindings in the database. Its columns are the same as those in "[ALL_OPANCILLARY](#)" on page 2-57.

DBA_OPARGUMENTS

DBA_OPARGUMENTS provides argument information for all operator bindings in the database. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_OPARGUMENTS"](#) on page 2-58.

DBA_OPBINDINGS

DBA_OPBINDINGS describes bindings of all operators in the database. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_OPBINDINGS"](#) on page 2-58.

DBA_OPERATOR_COMMENTS

DBA_OPERATOR_COMMENTS lists all comments for user-defined operators in the database. Its columns are the same as those in ALL_OPERATOR_COMMENTS.

See Also: ["ALL_OPERATOR_COMMENTS"](#) on page 2-59

DBA_OPERATORS

DBA_OPERATORS describes all operators in the database. Its columns are the same as those in ALL_OPERATORS.

See Also: ["ALL_OPERATORS"](#) on page 2-59

DBA_ORPHAN_KEY_TABLE

DBA_ORPHAN_KEY_TABLE reports key values from indexes where the underlying base table has block corruptions. To create the view, run the DBMS_REPAIR.ADMIN_TABLES procedure. To populate the orphan key table for an index, run the DBMS_REPAIR.DUMP_ORPHAN_KEYS procedure on the index. For each key in the index that points to a corrupt data block, Oracle inserts a row into the orphan key table.

| Column | Datatype | Null | Description |
|-------------|-----------------|----------|---|
| SCHEMA_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Schema name of the index |
| INDEX_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the index |
| IPART_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NULL | Name of the index partition or subpartition |
| INDEX_ID | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Dictionary object ID of the index |
| TABLE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the base table of the index |

| Column | Datatype | Null | Description |
|----------------|-----------------|----------|---|
| PART_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NULL | Name of the base table partition or subpartition |
| TABLE_ID | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Dictionary object ID of the base table |
| KEYDATA | UROWID | NOT NULL | Physical rowid of the corrupt data row |
| KEY | UROWID | NOT NULL | Key values for the index entry |
| DUMP_TIMESTAMP | DATE | NOT NULL | Timestamp when the entry was made into the orphan key table |

DBA_OUTLINE_HINTS

DBA_OUTLINE_HINTS describes the set of hints that make up the all the outlines in the database. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_OUTLINE_HINTS"](#) on page 2-60.

DBA_OUTLINES

DBA_OUTLINES describes all outlines in the database. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_OUTLINES"](#) on page 2-60.

DBA_PART_COL_STATISTICS

DBA_PART_COL_STATISTICS provides column statistics and histogram information for partitions of all tables in the database. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_PART_COL_STATISTICS"](#) on page 2-61.

DBA_PART_HISTOGRAMS

DBA_PART_HISTOGRAMS provides the histogram data (end-points per histogram) for histograms on all table partitions in the database. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_PART_HISTOGRAMS"](#) on page 2-62.

DBA_PART_INDEXES

DBA_PART_INDEXES provides object-level partitioning information for all partitioned indexes in the database. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_PART_INDEXES"](#) on page 2-63.

DBA_PART_KEY_COLUMNS

DBA_PART_KEY_COLUMNS describes the partitioning key columns for all partitioned objects in the database. Its columns are the same as those in "[ALL_PART_KEY_COLUMNS](#)" on page 2-64.

DBA_PART_LOBS

DBA_PART_LOBS provides table-level information for all partitioned LOBs in the database, including default attributes for LOB data partitions. Its columns are the same as those in "[ALL_PART_LOBS](#)" on page 2-65.

DBA_PART_TABLES

DBA_PART_TABLES provides object-level partitioning information for all partitioned tables in the database. Its columns are the same as those in "[ALL_PART_TABLES](#)" on page 2-66.

DBA_PARTIAL_DROP_TABS

DBA_PARTIAL_DROP_TABS describes all tables in the database that have partially completed DROP COLUMN operations. Its columns are the same as those in "[ALL_PARTIAL_DROP_TABS](#)" on page 2-68.

DBA_PENDING_TRANSACTIONS

DBA_PENDING_TRANSACTIONS describes unresolved transactions (either due to failure or if the coordinator has not sent a commit/rollback).

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|----------|-----------|------|--|
| FORMATID | NUMBER | | The format identifier of the transaction identifier |
| GLOBALID | RAW(64) | | The global part (gtrid) of the transaction identifier |
| BRANCHID | RAW(64) | | The branch qualifier (bqual) of the transaction identifier |

DBA_POLICIES

DBA_POLICIES describes all security policies in the database. Its columns are the same as those in "[ALL_POLICIES](#)" on page 2-68.

DBA_PRIV_AUDIT_OPTS

DBA_PRIV_AUDIT_OPTS describes current system privileges being audited across the system and by user.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|------------|--------------|----------|---|
| USER_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | | User name if by user auditing. ANY CLIENT if access by a proxy on behalf of a client is being audited. NULL for system-wide auditing |
| PROXY_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | | The name of the proxy user which is performing an operation for the client; NULL if the client is performing the operation directly. |
| PRIVILEGE | VARCHAR2(40) | NOT NULL | Name of the system privilege being audited |
| SUCCESS | VARCHAR2(10) | | Mode for WHENEVER SUCCESSFUL system auditing |
| FAILURE | VARCHAR2(10) | | Mode for WHENEVER NOT SUCCESSFUL system auditing |

DBA_PROCEDURES

DBA_PROCEDURES lists all functions and procedures along with their associated properties. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_PROCEDURES"](#) on page 2-69.

DBA_PROFILES

DBA_PROFILES displays all profiles and their limits.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|---------------|--------------|----------|--|
| PROFILE | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Profile name |
| RESOURCE_NAME | VARCHAR2(32) | NOT NULL | Resource name |
| RESOURCE_TYPE | VARCHAR2(8) | | Indicates whether the resource profile is a KERNEL or a PASSWORD parameter |
| LIMIT | VARCHAR2(40) | | Limit placed on this resource for this profile |

DBA_PROXIES

DBA_PROXIES displays Information about all proxy connections in the system.

Related View

- `USER_PROXIES` displays information about connections the current user is allowed to proxy. This view does not display the `PROXY` column.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|--------------------------|-----------------|----------|---|
| PROXY | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the proxy user |
| CLIENT | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the client user who the proxy user can act on behalf of |
| CREDENTIAL | VARCHAR2 (18) | | Credential passed by the proxy for the client (if any) |
| TYPE | VARCHAR2 (5) | | Type of the credential |
| VERSION | VARCHAR2 (1) | | Version of the credential |
| AUTHORIZATION_CONSTRAINT | VARCHAR2 (35) | | Indicates the proxy's authority to exercise roles on client's behalf. |
| ROLE | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Name of the role referenced in authorization constraint |

See Also: ["USER_PROXIES"](#) on page 2-207

DBA_PUBLISHED_COLUMNS

`DBA_PUBLISHED_COLUMNS` describes all existing source column tables. You must have the `SELECT_CATALOG_ROLE` privilege to access this view.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|---------------------|-----------------|---|
| CHANGE_SET_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | Name of the change set |
| CHANGE_TABLE_SCHEMA | VARCHAR2(30) | Associated change table owner |
| CHANGE_TABLE_NAME | VARCHAR2(31) | Associated change table name |
| PUB_ID | NUMBER | Publication identifier (change table object number) |
| SOURCE_SCHEMA_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | Table owner in the source system |
| SOURCE_TABLE_NAME | VARCHAR2(31) | Table name in the source system |
| COLUMN_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | Column name |
| DATA_TYPE | VARCHAR2(30) | Column datatype |
| DATA_LENGTH | NUMBER | Column length in bytes |

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|----------------|----------|--|
| DATA_PRECISION | NUMBER | Decimal precision for NUMBER datatype; binary precision for FLOAT datatype; NULL for all other datatypes |
| DATA_SCALE | NUMBER | Digits to the right of a decimal point in a number |
| NULLABLE | CHAR(1) | Nulls allowed (Y N)? |

DBA_QUEUE_SCHEDULES

DBA_QUEUE_SCHEDULES describes the current schedules for propagating messages.

Related View

- USER_QUEUE_SCHEDULES describes current schedules related to the current user. This view does not display the SCHEMA column.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|--------------------|---------------|----------|---|
| SCHEMA | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | The schema |
| QNAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Source queue name |
| DESTINATION | VARCHAR2(128) | NOT NULL | Destination name, currently limited to be a DBLINK name |
| START_DATE | DATE | | Date to start propagation in the default date format |
| START_TIME | VARCHAR2(8) | | Time of day at which to start propagation in HH:MI:SS format |
| PROPAGATION_WINDOW | NUMBER | | Duration in seconds for the propagation window |
| NEXT_TIME | VARCHAR2(200) | | Function to compute the start of the next propagation window |
| LATENCY | NUMBER | | Maximum wait time to propagate a message during the propagation window |
| SCHEDULE_DISABLED | VARCHAR2(1) | | N if enabled; Y if disabled and schedule will not be executed |
| PROCESS_NAME | VARCHAR2(8) | | The name of the process executing the schedule; NULL if not currently executing |
| SESSION_ID | NUMBER | | The session ID (SID, SERIAL#) of the job executing this schedule; NULL if not currently executing |
| INSTANCE | NUMBER | | The cluster database instance number executing the schedule |
| LAST_RUN_DATE | DATE | | The date on the last successful execution |
| LAST_RUN_TIME | VARCHAR2(8) | | The time of the last successful execution in HH:MI:SS format |

DBA_QUEUE_TABLES

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|--------------------|----------------|------|--|
| CURRENT_START_DATE | DATE | | The date at which the current window of this schedule was started |
| CURRENT_START_TIME | VARCHAR2(8) | | The time of day at which the current window of this schedule was started in HH:MI:SS format |
| NEXT_RUN_DATE | DATE | | The date at which the next window of this schedule will be started |
| NEXT_RUN_TIME | VARCHAR2(8) | | The time of day at which the next window of this schedule will be started in HH:MI:SS format |
| TOTAL_TIME | NUMBER | | The total time, in seconds, spent by the system in executing this schedule |
| TOTAL_NUMBER | NUMBER | | The total number of messages propagated in this schedule |
| TOTAL_BYTES | NUMBER | | The total number of bytes propagated in this schedule |
| MAX_NUMBER | NUMBER | | The maximum number of messages propagated in a propagation window |
| MAX_BYTES | NUMBER | | The maximum number of bytes propagated in a propagation window |
| AVG_NUMBER | NUMBER | | The average number of messages propagated in a propagation window |
| AVG_SIZE | NUMBER | | The average size of a propagated message in bytes |
| AVG_TIME | NUMBER | | The average time, in seconds, to propagate a message |
| FAILURES | NUMBER | | The number of times the execution failed; if 16, the schedule will be disabled |
| LAST_ERROR_DATE | DATE | | The date of the last unsuccessful execution |
| LAST_ERROR_TIME | VARCHAR2(8) | | The time of the last unsuccessful execution |
| LAST_ERROR_MSG | VARCHAR2(4000) | | The error number and error message text of the last unsuccessful execution |

DBA_QUEUE_TABLES

DBA_QUEUE_TABLES describes the queues in all of the queue tables created in the database. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_QUEUE_TABLES"](#) on page 2-71.

See Also: *Oracle9i Application Developer's Guide - Advanced Queuing* for more information about this view and Advanced Queuing

DBA_QUEUES

DBA_QUEUES describes the operational characteristics of every queue in a database. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_QUEUES"](#) on page 2-72.

See Also: *Oracle9i Application Developer's Guide - Advanced Queuing* for more information about this view and Advanced Queuing

DBA_RCHILD

DBA_RCHILD lists all the children in any refresh group.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|----------|-----------------|----------|--|
| REFGROUP | NUMBER | | Internal identifier of refresh group |
| OWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the object in the refresh group |
| NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the object in the refresh group |
| TYPE# | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Type of the object in the refresh group |

DBA_REFRESH

DBA_REFRESH describes all refresh groups in the database. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_REFRESH"](#) on page 2-73.

DBA_REFRESH_CHILDREN

DBA_REFRESH_CHILDREN lists all of the objects in all refresh groups in the database. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_REFRESH_CHILDREN"](#) on page 2-74.

DBA_REFS

DBA_REFS describes the REF columns and REF attributes in object type columns of all the objects in the database. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_REFS"](#) on page 2-75.

DBA_REGISTERED_MVIEW_GROUPS

DBA_REGISTERED_MVIEW_GROUPS lists all the materialized view repgroups at this site.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|---------------|---------------|------|--|
| NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | | Name of the materialized view replication group |
| MVIEW_SITE | VARCHAR2(128) | | Site of the master of the materialized view repgroup |
| GROUP_COMMENT | VARCHAR2(80) | | Description of the materialized view repgroup |
| VERSION | VARCHAR2(8) | | Version of the materialized view repgroup |
| FNAME | VARCHAR2(30) | | Name of the flavor of the materialized view object group |
| OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | | Owner of the materialized view group |

DBA_REGISTERED_MVIEWS

DBA_REGISTERED_MVIEWS describes all registered materialized views in the database. Its columns are the same as those in ALL_REGISTERED_MVIEWS.

See Also: ["ALL_REGISTERED_MVIEWS"](#) on page 2-76

DBA_REGISTERED_SNAPSHOT_GROUPS

DBA_REGISTERED_SNAPSHOT_GROUPS lists all the materialized view repgroups at this site.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|---------------|---------------|------|--|
| NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | | Name of the materialized view replication group |
| SNAPSHOT_SITE | VARCHAR2(128) | | Site of the master of the materialized view repgroup |
| GROUP_COMMENT | VARCHAR2(80) | | Description of the materialized view repgroup |
| VERSION | VARCHAR2(8) | | Version of the materialized view repgroup |
| FNAME | VARCHAR2(30) | | Name of the flavor of the materialized view object group |
| OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | | Owner of the materialized view group |

DBA_REGISTERED_SNAPSHOTS

DBA_REGISTERED_SNAPSHOTS describes all registered materialized views in the database. Its columns are the same as those in ALL_REGISTERED_SNAPSHOTS.

See Also: ["ALL_REGISTERED_SNAPSHOTS"](#) on page 2-77

DBA_REPAIR_TABLE

DBA_REPAIR_TABLE describes any corruptions found by the DBMS_REPAIR.CHECK_OBJECT procedure. This information is used by the DBMS_REPAIR.FIX_CORRUPT_BLOCKS procedure on execution. To create this view, first run the DBMS_REPAIR.ADMIN_TABLES procedure. To populate the resulting repair table for an object, run the DBMS_REPAIR.CHECK_OBJECT procedure on the object.

Note: The table created by the DBMS_REPAIR.ADMIN_TABLES procedure is called REPAIR_TABLE by default. If you specify a different name, this view will have the name you specify, preceded by "DBA_REPAIR_".

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|---------------------|---------------|----------|---|
| OBJECT_ID | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Dictionary object number of the object with the corruption |
| TABLESPACE_ID | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Tablespace number of the corrupt object |
| RELATIVE_FILE_ID | NUMBER) | NOT NULL | Relative file number of the corrupt object |
| BLOCK_ID | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Block number of the corruption |
| CORRUPT_TYPE | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Type of corruption encountered |
| SCHEMA_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Schema of the corrupt object |
| OBJECT_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the corrupt object |
| BASEOBJECT_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NULL | If the object is an index, the name of its base table |
| PARTITION_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NULL | Partition or subpartition name, if applicable |
| CORRUPT_DESCRIPTION | VARCHAR2(200) | NULL | Description of corruption |
| REPAIR_DESCRIPTION | VARCHAR2(200) | NULL | Description of repair action |
| MARKED_CORRUPT | VARCHAR2(10) | NOT NULL | Whether the block is marked corrupt (TRUE FALSE) |
| CHECK_TIMESTAMP | DATE | NOT NULL | Date on which this row was insert into the repair table |
| FIX_TIMESTAMP | DATE | NULL | Date on which the block was modified by the FIX_CORRUPT_BLOCKS procedure, if applicable |

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|--------------------|----------|------|-------------------------|
| REFORMAT_TIMESTAMP | DATE | NULL | Reserved for future use |

DBA_RESUMABLE

DBA_RESUMABLE lists all resumable statements executed in the system.

Related View

- USER_RESUMABLE lists resumable statements executed by the current user. This view does not display the USER_ID column.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-------------------|----------------|------|---|
| USER_ID | NUMBER | | User ID Number of the Resumable Statement Owner |
| SESSION_ID | NUMBER | | Session Identifier of Resumable Statement |
| INSTANCE_ID | NUMBER | | Instance Number of Resumable Statement |
| COORD_SESSION_ID | NUMBER | | Session Identifier of Parallel Coordinator |
| COORD_INSTANCE_ID | NUMBER | | Instance Number on which the Parallel Coordinator is Running |
| SQL_TEXT | VARCHAR2(1000) | | The resumable statement, selected from the V\$SQL view. |
| NAME | VARCHAR2(4000) | | The name given in the resumable clause of this resumable statement. |
| STATUS | VARCHAR2(16) | | The status of the resumable statement. Its value can be one of RUNNING, SUSPENDED, ABORTED, ABORTING, TIMEOUT |
| ERROR_NUMBER | NUMBER | | The error code of the last correctable error. When STATUS is equal to RUNNING, its value will be set to 0. |
| ERROR_MSG | VARCHAR2(4000) | | The error message corresponding to ERROR_NUMBER. It will be set to NULL when ERROR_NUMBER is NULL. |
| ERROR_PARAMETER1 | VARCHAR2(80) | | The first parameter for the error message. NULL if no error. |
| ERROR_PARAMETER2 | VARCHAR2(80) | | The second parameter for the error message. NULL if no error. |
| ERROR_PARAMETER3 | VARCHAR2(80) | | The third parameter for the error message. NULL if no error. |
| ERROR_PARAMETER4 | VARCHAR2(80) | | The forth parameter for the error message. NULL if no error. |
| ERROR_PARAMETER5 | VARCHAR2(80) | | The fifth parameter for the error message. NULL if no error. |
| START_TIME | DATE | | The start local time of the resumable statement. |
| SUSPEND_TIME | DATE | | The last local time when the resumable statement was suspended. It is initialized to NULL. |
| RESUME_TIME | DATE | | The last local time when the suspended resumable statement is resumed. It is initialized to NULL. |
| TIMEOUT | NUMBER | | Timeout of the resumable statement |

See Also: ["USER_RESUMABLE"](#) on page 2-210

DBA_RGROUP

DBA_RGROUP lists all refresh groups.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|----------------------|-----------------|----------|--|
| REFGROUP | NUMBER | | Internal identifier of refresh group |
| OWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the object in the refresh group |
| NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the object in the refresh group |
| IMPLICIT_DESTROY | VARCHAR2 (1) | | (Y or N) If Y, then destroy the refresh group when its last item is removed |
| PUSH_DEFERRED_RPC | VARCHAR2 (1) | | (Y or N) If Y, then push changes from snapshot to master before refresh |
| REFRESH_AFTER_ERRORS | VARCHAR2 (1) | | (Y or N) If Y, proceed with refresh despite error when pushing deferred RPC's |
| ROLLBACK_SEG | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Name of the rollback segment to use while refreshing |
| JOB | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Identifier of job used to refresh the group automatically |
| PURGE_OPTION | NUMBER (38) | | The method for purging the transaction queue after each push. 1 indicates quick purge option; 2 indicates precise purge option |
| PARALLELISM | NUMBER (38) | | The level of parallelism for transaction propagation |
| HEAP_SIZE | NUMBER (38) | | The size of the heap |

DBA_ROLE_PRIVS

DBA_ROLE_PRIVS lists roles granted to users and roles.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|--------------|-----------------|----------|--|
| GRANTEE | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Grantee name, user or role receiving the grant |
| GRANTED_ROLE | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Granted role name |
| ADMIN_OPTION | VARCHAR2 (3) | | Whether the grant was with the ADMIN option (YES NO) |
| DEFAULT_ROLE | VARCHAR2 (3) | | Whether the role is designated as a DEFAULT ROLE for the user (YES NO) |

DBA_ROLES

DBA_ROLES lists all roles that exist in the database.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-------------------|-----------------|----------|---|
| ROLE | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Role name |
| PASSWORD_REQUIRED | VARCHAR2 (8) | | Indicates if the role requires a password to be enabled |

DBA_ROLLBACK_SEGS

DBA_ROLLBACK_SEGS describes rollback segments.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------------|-----------------|----------|---|
| SEGMENT_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the rollback segment |
| OWNER | VARCHAR2 (6) | | Owner of the rollback segment |
| TABLESPACE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the tablespace containing the rollback segment |
| SEGMENT_ID | NUMBER | NOT NULL | ID number of the rollback segment |
| FILE_ID | NUMBER | NOT NULL | ID number of the file containing the segment head |
| BLOCK_ID | NUMBER | NOT NULL | ID number of the block containing the segment header |
| INITIAL_EXTENT | NUMBER | | Initial extent size in bytes |
| NEXT_EXTENT | NUMBER | | Secondary extent size in bytes |
| MIN_EXTENTS | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Minimum number of extents |
| MAX_EXTENTS | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Maximum number of extent |
| PCT_INCREASE | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Percent increase for extent size |
| STATUS | VARCHAR2 (16) | | Rollback segment status |
| INSTANCE_NUM | VARCHAR2 (40) | | Rollback segment owning Oracle Real Application Cluster instance number |
| RELATIVE_FNO | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Relative file number of the segment header |

DBA_RSRC_CONSUMER_GROUP_PRIVS

DBA_RSRC_CONSUMER_GROUP_PRIVS lists all resource consumer groups and the users and roles assigned to them. The grant referred to in this view and the related view is the grant of the SWITCH_CONSUMER_GROUP object privilege, which is granted using the DBMS_RESOURCE_MANAGER_PRIVS package. (This privilege is not granted through the SQL GRANT statement.)

See Also: *Oracle9i Supplied PL/SQL Packages and Types Reference* for more information on consumer group privileges

Related View

- `USER_RSRC_CONSUMER_GROUP_PRIVS` lists all resource consumer groups to which the current user is assigned. This view does not display the `GRANTEE` column.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|---------------|-----------------|----------|---|
| GRANTEE | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | User or role receiving the grant |
| GRANTED_GROUP | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Granted consumer group name |
| GRANT_OPTION | VARCHAR2 (3) | | Whether grant was with the GRANT option |
| INITIAL_GROUP | VARCHAR2 (3) | | Whether consumer group is designated as the default for this user or role |

DBA_RSRC_CONSUMER_GROUPS

`DBA_RSRC_CONSUMER_GROUPS` lists all resource consumer groups in the database.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|----------------|-------------------|------|---|
| CONSUMER_GROUP | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Name of the consumer group |
| CPU_METHOD | VARCHAR2 (30) | | CPU resource allocation method for the consumer group |
| COMMENTS | VARCHAR2 (2000) | | Text comment on the consumer group |
| STATUS | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Status of the consumer group: <code>PENDING</code> if the group is part of the pending area, <code>ACTIVE</code> otherwise. |
| MANDATORY | VARCHAR2 (3) | | Whether the consumer group is mandatory (YES NO) |

DBA_RSRC_MANAGER_SYSTEM_PRIVS

`DBA_RSRC_MANAGER_SYSTEM_PRIVS` lists all the users and roles that have been granted the `ADMINISTER_RESOURCE_MANAGER` system privilege, which is granted using the `DBMS_RESOURCE_MANAGER_PRIVS` package. (This privilege is not granted through the SQL `GRANT` statement.)

See Also: *Oracle9i Supplied PL/SQL Packages and Types Reference* for more information on consumer group privileges

Related View

- **USER_RSRC_MANAGER_SYSTEM_PRIVS** lists users who are granted system privilege for the DBMS_RESOURCE_MANAGER package. This view does not display the GRANTEE column.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|--------------|-----------------|----------|---|
| GRANTEE | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | User or role receiving the grant |
| PRIVILEGE | VARCHAR2 (40) | NOT NULL | Name of the system privilege |
| ADMIN_OPTION | VARCHAR2 (3) | | Whether the grant was with the ADMIN option |

DBA_RSRC_PLAN_DIRECTIVES

DBA_RSRC_PLAN_DIRECTIVES lists all resource plan directives in the database.

See Also:

- *Oracle9i Database Administrator's Guide* for information on resource plans in general
- *Oracle9i Supplied PL/SQL Packages and Types Reference* for more information on creating resource plans with the DBMS_RESOURCE_MANAGER package

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|---------------------|-----------------|--|
| PLAN | VARCHAR2 (30) | Name of the plan to which this directive belongs |
| GROUP_OR_SUBPLAN | VARCHAR2 (30) | Name of the consumer group or subplan referred to |
| TYPE | VARCHAR2 (14) | Whether GROUP_OR_SUBPLAN refers to a consumer group or plan |
| CPU_P1 | NUMBER | First parameter for the CPU resource allocation method |
| CPU_P2 | NUMBER | Second parameter for the CPU resource allocation method |
| CPU_P3 | NUMBER | Third parameter for the CPU resource allocation method |
| CPU_P4 | NUMBER | Fourth parameter for the CPU resource allocation method |
| CPU_P5 | NUMBER | Fifth parameter for the CPU resource allocation method |
| CPU_P6 | NUMBER | Sixth parameter for the CPU resource allocation method |
| CPU_P7 | NUMBER | Seventh parameter for the CPU resource allocation method |
| CPU_P8 | NUMBER | Eighth parameter for the CPU resource allocation method |
| ACTIVE_SESS_POOL_P1 | NUMBER | First parameter for the active session pool resource allocation method |

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------------------------|-------------------|---|
| QUEUING_P1 | NUMBER | First parameter for the queuing resource allocation method |
| PARALLEL_DEGREE_LIMIT_P1 | NUMBER | First parameter for the parallel degree limit resource allocation method |
| SWITCH_GROUP | VARCHAR2(30) | Group to switch into |
| SWITCH_TIME | NUMBER | Amount of run time before session is automatically switched |
| SWITCH_ESTIMATE | VARCHAR2(5) | (TRUE / FALSE) TRUE indicates estimated execution time should be used for switch criteria |
| MAX_EST_EXEC_TIME | NUMBER | First parameter for the maximum estimated execution time |
| UNDO_POOL | NUMBER | Undo pool size for the consumer group |
| COMMENTS | VARCHAR2 (2000) | Text comment on the plan directive |
| STATUS | VARCHAR2 (30) | Status of the directive: PENDING if it is part of the pending area, ACTIVE otherwise |
| MANDATORY | VARCHAR2 (3) | Whether the plan is mandatory (YES NO) |

DBA_RSRC_PLANS

DBA_RSRC_PLANS lists all resource plans in the database. For a list of currently active plans, see "[V\\$RSRC_PLAN](#)" on page 3-107.

See Also:

- *Oracle9i Database Administrator's Guide* for information on resource plans in general
- *Oracle9i Supplied PL/SQL Packages and Types Reference* for more information on creating resource plans with the DBMS_RESOURCE_MANAGER package

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|---------------------------|-----------------|------|---|
| PLAN | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Name of the resource plan |
| NUM_PLAN_DIRECTIVES | NUMBER | | Number of plan directives for the plan |
| CPU_METHOD | VARCHAR2 (30) | | CPU resource allocation method for the plan |
| ACTIVE_SESS_POOL_MTH | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Active session pool resource allocation method for the plan |
| PARALLEL_DEGREE_LIMIT_MTH | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Parallel degree limit resource allocation method for the plan |
| QUEUING_MTH | VARCHAR2(30) | | Queuing resource allocation method for the plan |

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------|-------------------|------|---|
| COMMENTS | VARCHAR2 (2000) | | Text comment on the plan |
| STATUS | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Status of the plan: PENDING if it is part of the pending area, ACTIVE otherwise |
| MANDATORY | VARCHAR2 (3) | | (YES/NO) Indicates whether the plan is mandatory |

DBA_SEGMENTS

DBA_SEGMENTS describes storage allocated for all database segments.

Related View

- USER_SEGMENTS describes storage allocated for database segments owned by the current user's objects. This view does not display the OWNER, HEADER_FILE, HEADER_BLOCK, or RELATIVE_FNO columns.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------------|-----------------|------|--|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Username of the segment owner |
| SEGMENT_NAME | VARCHAR2 (81) | | Name, if any, of the segment |
| PARTITION_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Object Partition Name (Set to NULL for non-partitioned objects) |
| SEGMENT_TYPE | VARCHAR2 (17) | | Type of segment: INDEX PARTITION, TABLE PARTITION, TABLE, CLUSTER, INDEX, ROLLBACK, DEFERRED ROLLBACK, TEMPORARY, CACHE, LOBSEGMENT and LOBINDEX |
| TABLESPACE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Name of the tablespace containing the segment |
| HEADER_FILE | NUMBER | | ID of the file containing the segment header |
| HEADER_BLOCK | NUMBER | | ID of the block containing the segment header |
| BYTES | NUMBER | | Size in bytes, of the segment |
| BLOCKS | NUMBER | | Size, in Oracle blocks, of the segment |
| EXTENTS | NUMBER | | Number of extents allocated to the segment |
| INITIAL_EXTENT | NUMBER | | Size in bytes requested for the initial extent of the segment at create time. (Oracle rounds the extent size to multiples of 5 blocks if the requested size is greater than 5 blocks.) |
| NEXT_EXTENT | NUMBER | | Size in bytes of the next extent to be allocated to the segment |
| MIN_EXTENTS | NUMBER | | Minimum number of extents allowed in the segment |
| MAX_EXTENTS | NUMBER | | Maximum number of extents allowed in the segment |

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------------|-------------|------|--|
| PCT_INCREASE | NUMBER | | Percent by which to increase the size of the next extent to be allocated |
| FREELISTS | NUMBER | | Number of process freelists allocated to this segment |
| FREELIST_GROUPS | NUMBER | | Number of freelist groups allocated to this segment |
| RELATIVE_FNO | NUMBER | | Relative file number of the segment header |
| BUFFER_POOL | VARCHAR2(7) | | Default buffer pool for the object |

DBA_SEQUENCES

DBA_SEQUENCES describes all sequences in the database. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_SEQUENCES"](#) on page 2-78.

DBA_SNAPSHOT_LOG_FILTER_COLS

DBA_SNAPSHOT_LOG_FILTER_COLS is a synonym for DBA_MVIEW_LOG_FILTER_COLS.

See Also: ["DBA_MVIEW_LOG_FILTER_COLS"](#) on page 2-135

DBA_SNAPSHOT_LOGS

DBA_SNAPSHOT_LOGS describes all snapshot logs in the database. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_SNAPSHOT_LOGS"](#) on page 2-78.

DBA_SNAPSHOT_REFRESH_TIMES

DBA_SNAPSHOT_REFRESH_TIMES is a synonym for DBA_MVIEW_REFRESH_TIMES.

See Also: ["DBA_MVIEW_REFRESH_TIMES"](#) on page 2-135

DBA_SNAPSHOTS

DBA_SNAPSHOTS describes all materialized views in the database. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_SOURCE"](#) on page 2-79.

DBA_SOURCE

DBA_SOURCE describes the text source of all stored objects in the database. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_SOURCE"](#) on page 2-79.

DBA_SOURCE_TABLES

DBA_SOURCE_TABLES enables publishers to see all existing (published) source tables. You must have the SELECT_CATALOG_ROLE privilege to view this table. Its columns are the same as those in [ALL_SOURCE_TABLES](#) on page 2-80.

DBA_SQLJ_TYPE_ATTRS

DBA_SQLJ_TYPE_ATTRS lists attributes of all SQLJ object types in the database. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_SQLJ_TYPE_ATTRS"](#) on page 2-80.

DBA_SQLJ_TYPE_METHODS

DBA_SQLJ_TYPE_METHODS describes methods of all types in the database. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_SQLJ_TYPE_METHODS"](#) on page 2-81.

DBA_SQLJ_TYPES

DBA_SQLJ_TYPES provides information about all SQLJ object types in the database. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_SQLJ_TYPES"](#) on page 2-82.

DBA_STMT_AUDIT_OPTS

DBA_STMT_AUDIT_OPTS describes current system auditing options across the system and by user.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------|--------------|------|---|
| USER_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | | User name if by user auditing. ANY CLIENT if access by a proxy on behalf of a client is being audited. NULL for system-wide auditing |

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|--------------|--------------|----------|--|
| PROXY_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | | The name of the proxy user which is performing an operation for the client. NULL if the client is performing the operation directly. |
| AUDIT_OPTION | VARCHAR2(40) | NOT NULL | Name of the system auditing option |
| SUCCESS | VARCHAR2(10) | | Mode for WHENEVER SUCCESSFUL system auditing |
| FAILURE | VARCHAR2(10) | | Mode for WHENEVER NOT SUCCESSFUL system auditing |

DBA_STORED_SETTINGS

DBA_STORED_SETTINGS lists information about the persistent parameter settings for stored PL/SQL units for which the current user has execute privileges. It also returns parameter information for all objects in the database and is accessible only to users with the SELECT_CATALOG_ROLE privilege. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_STORED_SETTINGS"](#) on page 2-82.

DBA_SUBPART_COL_STATISTICS

DBA_SUBPART_COL_STATISTICS provides column statistics and histogram information for all subpartitions in the database. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_STORED_SETTINGS"](#) on page 2-82.

DBA_SUBPART_HISTOGRAMS

DBA_SUBPART_HISTOGRAMS lists actual histogram data (end-points per histogram) for histograms on all table subpartitions in the database. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_SUBPART_HISTOGRAMS"](#) on page 2-84.

DBA_SUBPART_KEY_COLUMNS

DBA_SUBPART_KEY_COLUMNS lists subpartitioning key columns for all composite-partitioned tables (and local indexes on composite-partitioned tables) in the database. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_SUBPART_KEY_COLUMNS"](#) on page 2-85.

DBA_SUBSCRIBED_COLUMNS

DBA_SUBSCRIBED_COLUMNS enables publishers to view the columns of published tables to which they have subscribed. You must have the SELECT_CATALOG_ROLE

privilege to access this view. The columns in `DBA_SUBSCRIBED_COLUMNS` are the same as those in "[ALL_SUBSCRIBED_COLUMNS](#)" on page 2-85.

DBA_SUBSCRIBED_TABLES

`DBA_SUBSCRIBED_TABLES` enables publishers to view all of the published tables to which they have subscribed. Its columns are the same as those in "[ALL_SUBSCRIBED_TABLES](#)" on page 2-86.

DBA_SUBSCRIPTIONS

`DBA_SUBSCRIPTIONS` enables publishers to see all subscriptions. You must have the `SELECT_CATALOG_ROLE` privilege to access this view. Except for the `USERNAME` column, which identifies the user name of the subscriber, `DBA_SUBSCRIPTIONS` has the same columns as those in "[ALL_SUBSCRIPTIONS](#)" on page 2-86.

DBA_SYNONYMS

`DBA_SYNONYMS` describes all synonyms in the database. Its columns are the same as those in "[ALL_SYNONYMS](#)" on page 2-88.

DBA_SYS_PRIVS

`DBA_SYS_PRIVS` lists system privileges granted to users and roles. This view does not display the `USERNAME` column.

Related View

- `USER_SYS_PRIVS` lists system privileges granted to the current user. This view does not display the `GRANTEE` column, but instead displays the `USERNAME` column.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|--------------|--------------|----------|---|
| GRANTEE | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Grantee name, user, or role receiving the grant |
| USERNAME | VARCHAR2(30) | | Name of the current user |
| PRIVILEGE | VARCHAR2(40) | NOT NULL | System privilege |
| ADMIN_OPTION | VARCHAR2(3) | | Grant was with the ADMIN option |

DBA_TAB_COL_STATISTICS

DBA_TAB_COL_STATISTICS contains column statistics and histogram information extracted from "DBA_TAB_COLUMNS" on page 2-160. Its columns are the same as those in "ALL_TAB_COL_STATISTICS" on page 2-88.

DBA_TAB_COLUMNS

DBA_TAB_COLUMNS describes columns of all tables, views, and clusters in the database. Its columns are the same as those in "ALL_TAB_COLUMNS" on page 2-89. To gather statistics for this view, use the SQL ANALYZE statement.

DBA_TAB_COMMENTS

DBA_TAB_COMMENTS describes comments on all tables and views in the database. Its columns are the same as those in "ALL_TAB_COMMENTS" on page 2-91.

DBA_TAB_HISTOGRAMS

DBA_TAB_HISTOGRAMS describes histograms on columns of all tables in the database. Its columns are the same as those in "ALL_TAB_HISTOGRAMS" on page 2-91.

DBA_TAB_MODIFICATIONS

DBA_TAB_MODIFICATIONS describes modifications to all tables in the database that have been modified since the last time statistics were gathered on the tables. Its columns are the same as those in "ALL_TAB_MODIFICATIONS" on page 2-92.

Note: This view is populated only for tables with the MONITORING attribute. It is intended for statistics collection over a long period of time and may not be populated until a few hours after the actual modifications occurred.

DBA_TAB_PARTITIONS

DBA_TAB_PARTITIONS provides the partition-level partitioning information, partition storage parameters, and partition statistics determined by ANALYZE

statements for all partitions in the database. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_TAB_PARTITIONS"](#) on page 2-93.

DBA_TAB_PRIVS

DBA_TAB_PRIVS lists all grants on all objects in the database. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_TAB_PRIVS"](#) on page 2-95.

DBA_TAB_SUBPARTITIONS

DBA_TAB_SUBPARTITIONS describes, for each table subpartition, the subpartition name, name of the table and partition to which it belongs, and its storage attributes. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_TAB_SUBPARTITIONS"](#) on page 2-96.

Note: Statistics are not collected on a per-subpartition basis.

DBA_TABLES

DBA_TABLES describes all relational tables in the database. Its columns are the same as those in ALL_TABLES. To gather statistics for this view, use the SQL ANALYZE statement.

See Also: ["ALL_TABLES"](#) on page 2-98

DBA_TABLESPACES

DBA_TABLESPACES describes all tablespaces in the database.

Related View

- [USER_TABLESPACES](#) describes all tablespaces accessible to the current user. This view does not display the PLUGGED_IN column.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------------|-----------------|----------|-----------------|
| TABLESPACE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Tablespace name |

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|--------------------------|--------------|----------|---|
| BLOCK_SIZE | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Tablespace block size |
| INITIAL_EXTENT | NUMBER | | Default initial extent size |
| NEXT_EXTENT | NUMBER | | Default incremental extent size |
| MIN_EXTENTS | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Default minimum number of extents |
| MAX_EXTENTS | NUMBER | | Default maximum number of extents |
| PCT_INCREASE | NUMBER | | Default percent increase for extent size |
| MIN_EXTLEN | NUMBER | | Minimum extent size for the tablespace |
| STATUS | VARCHAR2(9) | | Tablespace status (ONLINE, OFFLINE, or READ ONLY) |
| CONTENTS | VARCHAR2(9) | | Tablespace contents (PERMANENT, or TEMPORARY) |
| LOGGING | VARCHAR2(9) | | Default logging attribute |
| EXTENT_MANAGEMENT | VARCHAR2(10) | | Extent management tracking (DICTIONARY or LOCAL) |
| ALLOCATION_TYPE | VARCHAR2(9) | | Type of extent allocation in effect for this tablespace |
| PLUGGED_IN | VARCHAR2(3) | | YES indicates the tablespace is plugged in; NO indicates the tablespace is not plugged in |
| SEGMENT_SPACE_MANAGEMENT | VARCHAR2(9) | | (AUTO MANUAL) Indicates whether or not the segment management in this tablespace is managed using free lists (MANUAL) or bitmaps (AUTO) |

DBA_TEMP_FILES

DBA_TEMP_FILES describes all temporary files (tempfiles) in the database.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------------|---------------|----------|--|
| FILE_NAME | VARCHAR2(513) | | Name of the database temp file |
| FILE_ID | NUMBER | | ID of the database temp file |
| TABLESPACE_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the tablespace to which the file belongs |
| BYTES | NUMBER | | Size of the file in bytes |
| BLOCKS | NUMBER | | Size of the file in Oracle blocks |
| STATUS | CHAR(9) | | File status: AVAILABLE |
| RELATIVE_FNO | NUMBER | | Tablespace-relative file number |
| AUTOEXTENSIBLE | VARCHAR2(3) | | Autoextensible indicator (YES NO) |
| MAXBYTES | NUMBER | | maximum size of the file in bytes |
| MAXBLOCKS | NUMBER | | Maximum size of the file in Oracle database blocks |

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|--------------|----------|------|--|
| INCREMENT_BY | NUMBER | | Default increment for autoextension |
| USER_BYTES | NUMBER | | Size of the useful portion of file in bytes |
| USER_BLOCKS | NUMBER | | Size of the useful portion of file in Oracle database blocks |

DBA_TRANSFORMATIONS

DBA_TRANSFORMATIONS provides information about all message transformations in the database. These transformations are specified with Advanced Queuing operations like enqueue, dequeue and subscribe to automatically integrate transformations in AQ messaging. DBA_TRANSFORMATIONS is available only to users with DBA privileges.

Related View

- USER_TRANSFORMATIONS lists information about transformations owned by particular users. It does not display the OWNER column.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|---------------------------|----------------|----------|---|
| TRANSFORMATION_ID | NUMBER | | Unique transformation identifier |
| OWNER | | | User owning the transformation |
| NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name |
| NAMESPACE | INTEGER | | 1 for transformations created by Oracle's transformation engine. Transformations from third party transformation engines are in different namespaces. |
| FROM_TYPE_SCHEMA | VARCHAR2(30) | | User owning the source type |
| FROM_TYPE_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | | Transformation source type |
| TO_TYPE_SCHEMA | VARCHAR2(30) | | User owning the destination type |
| TO_TYPE_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | | Transformation destination type. The transformation takes an object of the source type and returns an object of the destination type. |
| TRANSFORMATION_TYPE | TYPE | | Type of transformation: SQL, XSL |
| ATTRIBUTE_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | | Attribute name of the destination type for which the transformation is being specified |
| TRANSFORMATION_EXPRESSION | VARCHAR2(4000) | | Transformation expression. Can be a SQL expression, PLSQL function or XSL document. |
| COMMENT | VARCHAR2(4000) | | User specified comment |

DBA_TRIGGER_COLS

DBA_TRIGGER_COLS lists the use of columns in all triggers in the database. Its columns are the same as those in "[ALL_TRIGGER_COLS](#)" on page 2-101.

DBA_TRIGGERS

DBA_TRIGGERS describes all triggers in the database. Its columns are the same as those in "[ALL_TRIGGERS](#)" on page 2-101.

DBA_TS_QUOTAS

DBA_TS_QUOTAS describes tablespace quotas for all users.

Related View

- [USER_TS_QUOTAS](#) describes tablespace quotas for the current user. This view does not display the USERNAME column.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|---------------|--------------|----------|--|
| TABSPACE_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Tablespace name |
| USERNAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | User with resource rights on the tablespace |
| BYTES | NUMBER | | Number of bytes charged to the user |
| MAX_BYTES | NUMBER | | User's quota in bytes, or -1 if no limit |
| BLOCKS | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Number of Oracle blocks charged to the user |
| MAX_BLOCKS | NUMBER | | User's quota in Oracle blocks, or -1 if no limit |

DBA_TYPE_ATTRS

DBA_TYPE_ATTRS describes the attributes of all object types in the database. Its columns are the same as those in "[ALL_TYPE_ATTRS](#)" on page 2-102.

DBA_TYPE_METHODS

DBA_TYPE_METHODS describes methods of all object types in the database. Its columns are the same as those in "[ALL_TYPE_METHODS](#)" on page 2-103.

DBA_TYPES

DBA_TYPES describes all object types in the database. Its columns are the same as those in ALL_TYPES.

See Also: ["ALL_TYPES"](#) on page 2-104

DBA_UNDO_EXTENTS

DBA_UNDO_EXTENTS lists the commit time for each extent in the undo tablespace.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------------|-----------------|----------|---|
| OWNER | CHAR (3) | | Owner of the undo tablespace |
| SEGMENT_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the undo segment |
| TABLESPACE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the undo tablespace |
| EXTENT_ID | NUMBER | | ID of the extent |
| FILE_ID | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Number of the file containing the extent |
| BLOCK_ID | NUMBER | | Start block number of the extent |
| BYTES | NUMBER | | Size of the extent in bytes |
| BLOCKS | NUMBER | | Size of the extent in blocks |
| RELATIVE_FNO | NUMBER | | Relative file number of the segment header |
| COMMIT_JTIME | NUMBER | | Commit time of the extent expressed as Julian time |
| COMMIT_WTIME | VARCHAR2(20) | | Commit time of the extent expressed as Wallclock time |

DBA_UNUSED_COL_TABS

DBA_UNUSED_COL_TABS describes all tables in the database containing unused columns. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_UNUSED_COL_TABS"](#) on page 2-105.

DBA_UPDATABLE_COLUMNS

DBA_UPDATABLE_COLUMNS describes all columns in a join view that can be updated by the database administrator. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_UPDATABLE_COLUMNS"](#) on page 2-105.

See Also: *Oracle9i Database Concepts* for information on updatable join views

DBA_USERS

DBA_USERS describes all users of the database. This view does not display the PROFILE column.

Related View

- USER_USERS describes the current user. This view does not display the PASSWORD column.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------------------------|-------------------|----------|--|
| USERNAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the user |
| USER_ID | NUMBER | NOT NULL | ID number of the user |
| PASSWORD | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Encrypted password |
| ACCOUNT_STATUS | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Indicates if the account is locked, expired, or unlocked |
| LOCK_DATE | DATE | | Date the account was locked if account status was locked |
| EXPIRY_DATE | DATE | | Date of expiration of the account |
| DEFAULT_TABLESPACE | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Default tablespace for data |
| TEMPORARY_TABLESPACE | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Default tablespace for temporary table |
| CREATED | DATE | NOT NULL | User creation date |
| PROFILE | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | User resource profile name |
| INITIAL_RSRC_CONSUMER_GROUP | VARCHAR2 (30) | | The initial resource consumer group for the user |
| EXTERNAL_NAME | VARCHAR2 (4000) | | User external name |

DBA_USTATS

DBA_USTATS describes all user-defined statistics collected on all objects in the database. Its columns are the same as those in "[ALL_USTATS](#)" on page 2-106.

DBA_VARRAYS

DBA_VARRAYS describes all the varrays in the database. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_VARRAYS"](#) on page 2-107.

DBA_VIEWS

DBA_VIEWS displays the text of all views in the database. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_VIEWS"](#) on page 2-108.

DBA_WAITERS

DBA_WAITERS shows all the sessions that are waiting for a lock, but do not hold locks for which another session is waiting.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------------|-----------------|------|---------------------|
| WAITING_SESSION | NUMBER | | The waiting session |
| HOLDING_SESSION | NUMBER | | The holding session |
| LOCK_TYPE | VARCHAR2 (26) | | The lock type |
| MODE_HELD | VARCHAR2 (40) | | The mode held |
| MODE_REQUESTED | VARCHAR2 (40) | | The mode requested |
| LOCK_ID1 | VARCHAR2 (40) | | Lock ID 1 |
| LOCK_ID2 | VARCHAR2 (40) | | Lock ID 2 |

DBMS_ALERT_INFO

DBMS_ALERT_INFO describes registered alerts.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|---------|-------------------|----------|---|
| NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the alert |
| SID | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Session ID of a session waiting for this alert |
| CHANGED | VARCHAR2 (1) | | Boolean flag to indicate that an alert has been signaled. Y: alert signaled, N: no alert. |
| MESSAGE | VARCHAR2 (1800) | | Optional message passed by signaler |

DBMS_LOCK_ALLOCATED

DBMS_LOCK_ALLOCATED describes user-allocated locks.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|------------|---------------|----------|---|
| NAME | VARCHAR2(128) | NOT NULL | Name of the lock |
| LOCKID | NUMBER(38) | | Lock identifier number |
| EXPIRATION | DATE | | Planned lock expiration date (updates whenever the allocation procedure is run) |

DEPTREE

This view, created by `utldtree.sql`, contains information on the object dependency tree. For user `SYS`, this view displays shared cursors (and only shared cursors) that depend on the object. For all other users, it displays objects other than shared cursors. Other users can access `SYS.DEPTREE` for information on shared cursors.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|--------------|----------------|------|---|
| NESTED_LEVEL | NUMBER | | Nesting level in the dependency tree |
| TYPE | VARCHAR2(15) | | Object type |
| OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | | Object owner |
| NAME | VARCHAR2(1002) | | Object name |
| SEQ# | NUMBER | | Sequence number in the dependency tree. Used for ordering queries. See Also: "IDEPTREE" on page 2-178 |

DICT

DICT is a synonym for `DICTIONARY`.

See Also: ["DICTIONARY"](#) on page 2-169

DICT_COLUMNS

DICT_COLUMNS contains descriptions of columns in data dictionary tables and views.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-------------|----------------|------|---|
| TABLE_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | | Name of the object that contains the column |
| COLUMN_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | | Name of the column |
| COMMENTS | VARCHAR2(4000) | | Text comment on the column |

DICTIONARY

DICTIONARY contains descriptions of data dictionary tables and views.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|------------|----------------|------|----------------------------|
| TABLE_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | | Name of the object |
| COMMENTS | VARCHAR2(4000) | | Text comment on the object |

ERROR_SIZE

ERROR_SIZE is accessed to create ["DBA_OBJECT_SIZE"](#) on page 2-137 and ["USER_OBJECT_SIZE"](#) on page 2-204.

EXCEPTIONS

EXCEPTIONS contains information on violations of integrity constraints. This view is created by the `utlexcpt.sql` script.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|------------|--------------|------|--|
| ROW_ID | ROWID | | Row that caused the violation |
| OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | | Owner of the table |
| TABLE_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | | Name of the table |
| CONSTRAINT | VARCHAR2(30) | | Integrity constraint that was violated |

FILE_LOCK

This Oracle Real Application Cluster view displays the mapping of PCM locks to datafiles as specified in initialization parameter `GC_FILES_TO_LOCKS`.

See Also: ["GC_FILES_TO_LOCKS"](#) on page 1-59 and *Oracle9i Real Application Clusters Concepts*

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------|-----------------|----------|--|
| FILE_ID | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Datafile identifier number (to find file name, query DBA_DATA_FILES or V\$DBFILES) |
| FILE_NAME | VARCHAR2(513) | | The datafile name |
| TS_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | The tablespace name for the datafile |
| START_LK | NUMBER | | The first lock corresponding to the datafile |
| NLOCKS | NUMBER | | The number of PCM locks allocated to the datafile |
| BLOCKING | NUMBER | | The number of contiguous blocks protected by each PCM lock on the datafile |

FILE_PING

This Oracle Real Application Cluster view displays the number of blocks pinged per datafile. You can use this information to determine access usage of existing datafiles for better settings of GC_FILES_TO_LOCKS.

See Also: ["GC_FILES_TO_LOCKS"](#) on page 1-59 and *Oracle9i Real Application Clusters Concepts*

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------------------|----------------|----------|--|
| FILE_ID | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Datafile identifier number (to find file name, query DBA_DATA_FILES or V\$DBFILES) |
| FILE_NAME | NUMBER | | The file name |
| TS_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Datafile identifier number (to find file name, query DBA_DATA_FILES or V\$DBFILES) |
| FREQUENCY | NUMBER | | The ping count |
| X_2_NULL | NUMBER | | Number of lock conversions from Exclusive-to-NULL for all blocks in the file |
| X_2_NULL_FORCED_WRITE | NUMBER | | Number of forced writes that occur for blocks of the specified file due to Exclusive-to-NULL conversions |
| X_2_NULL_FORCED_STALE | NUMBER | | Number of times a block in the file was made STALE due to Exclusive-to-NULL conversions |
| X_2_S | NUMBER | | Number of lock conversions from Exclusive-to-Shared for all blocks in the file |
| X_2_S_FORCED_WRITES | NUMBER | | Number of forced writes that occur for blocks of the specified file due to Exclusive-to-Shared conversions |

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------------------|----------|------|--|
| X_2_SXX | NUMBER | | Number of lock conversions from Exclusive-to-Sub Shared Exclusive for all blocks in the file |
| X_2_SXX_FORCED_WRITES | NUMBER | | Number of forced writes that occur for blocks of the specified file due to Exclusive-to-Sub Shared Exclusive conversions |
| S_2_NULL | NUMBER | | Number of lock conversions from Shared-to-NULL for all blocks in the file |
| S_2_NULL_FORCED_STALE | NUMBER | | Number of times a block in the file was made STALE due to Shared-to-NULL conversions |
| SS_2_NULL | NUMBER | | Number of lock conversions from Sub Shared-to-NULL for all blocks in the file |
| WRB | NUMBER | | Number of times the instance received a write single buffer cross instance call for this file |
| WRB_FORCED_WRITE | NUMBER | | Number of blocks written due to write single buffer cross instance calls for this file |
| RBR | NUMBER | | Number of times the instance received a reuse block range cross instance call for this file |
| RBR_FORCED_WRITE | NUMBER | | Number of blocks written due to reuse block range cross instance calls for this file |
| RBR_FORCED_STALE | NUMBER | | Number of times a block in this file was made STALE due to reuse block range cross instance calls |
| CBR | NUMBER | | Number of times the instance received a checkpoint block range cross instance call for this file |
| CBR_FORCED_WRITE | NUMBER | | Number of blocks in this file which were written due to checkpoint cross range cross instance calls |
| NULL_2_X | NUMBER | | Number of lock conversions from NULL-to-Exclusive for all blocks of the specified file |
| S_2_X | NUMBER | | Number of lock conversions from Shared-to-Exclusive for all blocks of the specified file |
| SSX_2_X | NUMBER | | Number of lock conversions from Sub Shared Exclusive-to-Exclusive for all blocks of the specified file |
| N_2_S | NUMBER | | Number of lock conversions from NULL-to-Shared for all blocks of the specified file |
| N_2_SS | NUMBER | | Number of lock conversions from NULL-to-Sub Shared for all blocks of the specified file |

FILEXT\$

FILEXT\$ is the equivalent of DBA_DATA_FILES. Oracle Corporation recommends you use DBA_DATA_FILES instead of FILEXT\$.

See Also: ["DBA_DATA_FILES"](#)

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------|----------|----------|----------------------|
| FILE# | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Absolute file number |
| MAXEXTEND | NUMBER | | Maximum file size |
| INC | NUMBER | | Increment amount |

GLOBAL_NAME

GLOBAL_NAME contains one row that displays the global name of the current database.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-------------|------------------|------|-----------------------------|
| GLOBAL_NAME | VARCHAR2(4000) | | Global name of the database |

HS_ALL_CAPS

HS_ALL_CAPS contains information about all of the capabilities (that is, features) associated with non-Oracle (FDS) data stores.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------------|-----------------|------|--|
| CAP_NUMBER | NUMBER | | Capability number |
| CONTEXT | NUMBER | | Context in which this capability is applicable |
| TRANSLATION | VARCHAR2(255) | | Valid for functions; contains translation to FDS dialect |
| ADDITIONAL_INFO | NUMBER | | Flag for internal use |
| FDS_CLASS_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | | Name of the FDS Class |
| FDS_INST_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | | Name of the FDS instance |

HS_ALL_DD

HS_ALL_DD contains data dictionary information about non-Oracle (FDS) data stores.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|------------------|----------------|------|---|
| DD_TABLE_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | | Data dictionary table name |
| TRANSLATION_TYPE | CHAR(1) | | T = Translation, M = Mimic |
| TRANSLATION_TEXT | VARCHAR2(4000) | | SQL statement containing the mapping |
| FDS_CLASS_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | | Name of the FDS Class |
| FDS_INST_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | | Name of the FDS instance |
| DD_TABLE_DESC | VARCHAR2(255) | | Description of the Oracle data dictionary table |

HS_ALL_INITS

HS_ALL_INITS contains initialization parameter information about non-Oracle (FDS) data stores.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------------|---------------|------|---|
| INIT_VALUE_NAME | VARCHAR2(64) | | Name of the initialization parameter |
| INIT_VALUE | VARCHAR2(255) | | Value of the initialization parameter |
| INIT_VALUE_TYPE | VARCHAR2(1) | | Environment variable (T or F). T means this is an environment variable; F means do not set as an environment variable |
| FDS_CLASS_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | | Name of the FDS Class |
| FDS_INST_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | | Name of the FDS instance |

HS_BASE_CAPS

HS_BASE_CAPS contains information about base capability (that is, base features) of the non-Oracle (FDS) data store.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------------|---------------|----------|-------------------------------|
| CAP_NUMBER | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Capability number |
| CAP_DESCRIPTION | VARCHAR2(255) | | Description of the capability |

HS_BASE_DD

HS_BASE_DD displays information from the base data dictionary translation table.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|---------------|---------------|----------|--|
| DD_TABLE_ID | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Sequence: a counter that is incremented for every row inserted (used internally) |
| DD_TABLE_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the Oracle data dictionary table |
| DD_TABLE_DESC | VARCHAR2(255) | | Description of the Oracle data dictionary table |

HS_CLASS_CAPS

HS_CLASS_CAPS contains information about the class-specific (driver) capabilities belonging to the non-Oracle (FDS) data store.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------------|---------------|----------|--|
| CAP_NUMBER | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Capability number |
| CAP_DESCRIPTION | VARCHAR2(255) | | Capability description |
| CONTEXT | NUMBER | | Flag indicating the context in which the capability is enabled |
| TRANSLATION | VARCHAR2(255) | | Valid for functions; contains translation to FDS dialect |
| ADDITIONAL_INFO | NUMBER | | Additional flags for internal use |
| FDS_CLASS_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the FDS Class |
| FDS_CLASS_ID | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Sequence: a counter that is incremented for every row inserted (used internally) |

HS_CLASS_DD

HS_CLASS_DD displays information from the non-Oracle data store (FDS) class-specific data dictionary translations.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|------------------|----------------|----------|---|
| DD_TABLE_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the Oracle data dictionary table |
| DD_TABLE_DESC | VARCHAR2(255) | | Description of the Oracle data dictionary table |
| TRANSLATION_TYPE | CHAR(1) | NOT NULL | T = Translation, M = Mimic |
| TRANSLATION_TEXT | VARCHAR2(4000) | | SQL statement containing the mapping |

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|----------------|--------------|----------|--|
| FDS_CLASS_ID | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Sequence: a counter that is incremented for every row inserted (used internally) |
| FDS_CLASS_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the FDS Class |
| DD_TABLE_ID | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Sequence: a counter that is incremented for every row inserted (used internally) |

HS_CLASS_INIT

HS_CLASS_INIT displays information about the non-Oracle (FDS) class-specific initialization parameters.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-------------------|---------------|----------|---|
| INIT_VALUE_NAME | VARCHAR2(64) | NOT NULL | Name of the initialization parameter |
| INIT_VALUE | VARCHAR2(255) | NOT NULL | Value of the initialization parameter |
| INIT_VALUE_TYPE | VARCHAR2(1) | NOT NULL | Environment variable (T or F). T means this is an environment variable; F means do not set as an environment variable |
| FDS_CLASS_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the FDS Class |
| FDS_CLASS_INIT_ID | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Sequence: a counter that is incremented for every row inserted (used internally) |
| FDS_CLASS_ID | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Sequence: a counter that is incremented for every row inserted (used internally) |

HS_EXTERNAL_OBJECT_PRIVILEGES

HS_EXTERNAL_OBJECT_PRIVILEGES contains information about the privileges on objects that are granted to users.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|----------------|--------------|----------|---|
| OBJECT_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the object; unique for each instance |
| PRIVILEGE_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the privilege that was granted |
| GRANTEE | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | ID of the user that was granted the privilege |
| FDS_CLASS_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the FDS Class |
| FDS_INST_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the FDS instance |

HS_EXTERNAL_OBJECTS

HS_EXTERNAL_OBJECTS contains information about all of the distributed external objects accessible from the Oracle server.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|----------------|--------------|----------|--|
| FDS_CLASS_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the FDS Class |
| FDS_INST_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the FDS instance |
| OWNER | VARCHAR(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the user who created the object |
| OBJECT_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the object; unique for each instance |
| OBJECT_TYPE | VARCHAR2(13) | NOT NULL | Type of object: FUNCTION, PROCEDURE, PACKAGE, or LIBRARY |
| OBJECT_TEXT | LONG | NOT NULL | SQL text used to create the object |

HS_EXTERNAL_USER_PRIVILEGES

HS_EXTERNAL_USER_PRIVILEGES contains information about all of the granted privileges that are not tied to any particular object.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|----------------|--------------|----------|---|
| PRIVILEGE_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the privilege that was granted |
| GRANTEE | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | ID of the user that was granted the privilege |
| FDS_CLASS_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the FDS Class |
| FDS_INST_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the FDS instance |

HS_FDS_CLASS

HS_FDS_CLASS contains information about legal non-Oracle (FDS) classes.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|--------------------|---------------|----------|--|
| FDS_CLASS_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the FDS class (for example, ODBC, DB2) |
| FDS_CLASS_COMMENTS | VARCHAR2(255) | | Text description of the non-Oracle class |
| FDS_CLASS_ID | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Sequence: a counter that is incremented for every row inserted (used internally) |

HS_FDS_INST

HS_FDS_INST contains information about non-Oracle (FDS) instances.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-------------------|------------------|----------|--|
| FDS_INST_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the FDS instance |
| FDS_INST_COMMENTS | VARCHAR2 (255) | | Text description of the non-Oracle instance |
| FDS_CLASS_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the FDS class |
| FDS_INST_ID | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Sequence: a counter that is incremented for every row inserted (used internally) |
| FDS_CLASS_ID | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Sequence: a counter that is incremented for every row inserted (used internally) |

HS_INST_CAPS

HS_INST_CAPS contains information about instance-specific capabilities (that is, features).

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------------|------------------|----------|--|
| CAP_NUMBER | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Capability number |
| CAP_DESCRIPTION | VARCHAR2 (255) | | Capability description |
| CONTEXT | NUMBER | | Context in which this capability is applicable |
| TRANSLATION | VARCHAR2 (255) | | Valid for functions; contains translation to FDS dialect |
| ADDITIONAL_INFO | NUMBER | | Additional flags for internal use |
| FDS_CLASS_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the FDS class (for example, ODBC, DB2) |
| FDS_INST_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the FDS instance |
| FDS_CLASS_ID | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Sequence: a counter that is incremented for every row inserted (used internally) |
| FDS_INST_ID | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Sequence: a counter that is incremented for every row inserted (used internally) |

HS_INST_DD

HS_INST_DD displays information from the non-Oracle (FDS) instance-specific data dictionary translations.

HS_INST_INIT

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|------------------|----------------|----------|--|
| DD_TABLE_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the Oracle data dictionary table |
| DD_TABLE_DESC | VARCHAR2(255) | | Description of the Oracle data dictionary table |
| TRANSLATION_TYPE | CHAR(1) | NOT NULL | T = Translation, M = Mimic |
| TRANSLATION_TEXT | VARCHAR2(4000) | | SQL statement containing the mapping |
| FDS_CLASS_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the FDS class (for example, ODBC, DB2) |
| FDS_INST_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the FDS instance |
| DD_TABLE_ID | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Sequence: a counter that is incremented for every row inserted (used internally) |
| FDS_CLASS_ID | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Sequence: a counter that is incremented for every row inserted (used internally) |
| FDS_INST_ID | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Sequence: a counter that is incremented for every row inserted (used internally) |

HS_INST_INIT

HS_INST_INIT contains information about the non-Oracle (FDS) instance-specific initialization parameters.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|------------------|---------------|----------|---|
| INIT_VALUE_NAME | VARCHAR2(64) | NOT NULL | Name of the initialization parameter |
| INIT_VALUE | VARCHAR2(255) | NOT NULL | Value of the initialization parameter |
| INIT_VALUE_TYPE | VARCHAR2(1) | NOT NULL | Environment variable (T or F). T means this is an environment variable; F means do not set as an environment variable |
| FDS_CLASS_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the FDS class (for example: ODBC, DB2) |
| FDS_INST_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the FDS instance |
| FDS_INST_INIT_ID | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Sequence: a counter that is incremented for every row inserted (used internally) |
| FDS_CLASS_ID | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Sequence: a counter that is incremented for every row inserted (used internally) |
| FDS_INST_ID | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Sequence: a counter that is incremented for every row inserted (used internally) |

IDEPTREE

This view, created by `UTLDTREE`.SQL, lists the indented dependency tree. It is a pre-sorted, pretty-print version of `DEPTREE`.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|--------------|----------------|------|--------------------------------------|
| NESTED_LEVEL | NUMBER | | Nesting level in the dependency tree |
| TYPE | VARCHAR2(15) | | Object type |
| OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | | Object owner |
| NAME | VARCHAR2(1002) | | Object name |

IND

IND is a synonym for USER_INDEXES.

See Also: ["USER_INDEXES"](#) on page 2-200

INDEX_HISTOGRAM

INDEX_HISTOGRAM contains information from the `ANALYZE INDEX ... VALIDATE STRUCTURE` statement.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|------------------------|----------|------|--|
| REPEAT_COUNT | NUMBER | | Number of times that one or more index keys is repeated in the table |
| KEYS_WITH_REPEAT_COUNT | NUMBER | | Number of index keys that are repeated that many times |

INDEX_STATS

INDEX_STATS stores information from the last `ANALYZE INDEX ... VALIDATE STRUCTURE` statement.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|----------------|--------------|----------|---|
| HEIGHT | NUMBER | | Height of the B-Tree |
| BLOCKS | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Blocks allocated to the segment |
| NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the index |
| PARTITION_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | | Name of the partition of the index which was analyzed. If the index is not partitioned, a NULL is returned. |
| LF_ROWS | NUMBER | | Number of leaf rows (values in the index) |
| LF_BLKs | NUMBER | | Number of leaf blocks in the B-Tree |

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|----------------------|----------|------|---|
| LF_ROWS_LEN | NUMBER | | Sum of the lengths of all the leaf rows |
| LF_BLK_LEN | NUMBER | | Usable space in a leaf block |
| BR_ROWS | NUMBER | | Number of branch rows in the B-Tree |
| BR_BLKs | NUMBER | | Number of branch blocks in the B-Tree |
| BR_ROWS_LEN | NUMBER | | Sum of the lengths of all the branch blocks in the B-Tree |
| BR_BLK_LEN | NUMBER | | Usable space in a branch block |
| DEL_LF_ROWS | NUMBER | | Number of deleted leaf rows in the index |
| DEL_LF_ROWS_LEN | NUMBER | | Total length of all deleted rows in the index |
| DISTINCT_KEYS | NUMBER | | Number of distinct keys in the index (may include rows that have been deleted) |
| MOST_REPEATED_KEY | NUMBER | | How many times the most repeated key is repeated (may include rows that have been deleted) |
| BTREE_SPACE | NUMBER | | Total space currently allocated in the B-Tree |
| USED_SPACE | NUMBER | | Total space that is currently being used in the B-Tree |
| PCT_USED | NUMBER | | Percent of space allocated in the B-Tree that is being used |
| ROWS_PER_KEY | NUMBER | | Average number of rows per distinct key (this figure is calculated without consideration of deleted rows) |
| BLKS_GETS_PER_ACCESS | NUMBER | | Expected number of consistent mode block reads per row, assuming that a randomly chosen row is accessed using the index. Used to calculate the number of consistent reads that will occur during an index scan. |
| PRE_ROWS | NUMBER | | Number of prefix rows (values in the index) |
| PRE_ROWS_LEN | NUMBER | | Sum of lengths of all prefix rows |
| OPT_CMPR_COUNT | NUMBER | | Optimal key compression length |
| OPT_CMPR_PCTSAVE | NUMBER | | Corresponding space savings after an ANALYZE |

NLS_DATABASE_PARAMETERS

NLS_DATABASE_PARAMETERS lists permanent NLS parameters of the database.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------|-----------------|----------|-----------------|
| PARAMETER | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Parameter name |
| VALUE | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Parameter value |

NLS_INSTANCE_PARAMETERS

NLS_INSTANCE_PARAMETERS lists NLS parameters of the instance.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------|-----------------|------|-----------------|
| PARAMETER | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Parameter name |
| VALUE | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Parameter value |

NLS_SESSION_PARAMETERS

NLS_SESSION_PARAMETERS lists NLS parameters of the user session.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------|-----------------|------|-----------------|
| PARAMETER | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Parameter name |
| VALUE | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Parameter value |

OBJ

OBJ is a synonym for USER_OBJECTS.

See Also: ["USER_OBJECTS"](#) on page 2-204

PARSED_PIECES

Oracle accesses this view to create views about object size.

See Also: ["DBA_OBJECT_SIZE"](#) on page 2-137 and ["USER_OBJECT_SIZE"](#) on page 2-204

PARSED_SIZE

Oracle accesses this view to create views about object size.

See Also: ["DBA_OBJECT_SIZE"](#) on page 2-137 and ["USER_OBJECT_SIZE"](#) on page 2-204

PLAN_TABLE

PLAN_TABLE is the default table for results of the EXPLAIN PLAN statement. It is created by utlxplan.sql, and it contains one row for each step in the execution plan.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------------|---------------|------|--|
| STATEMENT_ID | VARCHAR2(30) | | Optional statement identifier specified in the EXPLAIN PLAN statement |
| TIMESTAMP | DATE | | Date and time that the EXPLAIN PLAN statement was issued |
| REMARKS | VARCHAR2(80) | | Place for comments that can be added to the steps of the execution plan |
| OPERATION | VARCHAR2(30) | | Name of the operation performed at this step |
| OPTIONS | VARCHAR2(255) | | Options used for the operation performed at this step; the string returned by the index cost function |
| OBJECT_NODE | VARCHAR2(128) | | Name of the database link used to reference the object |
| OBJECT_OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | | Owner of the object |
| OBJECT_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | | Name of the object |
| OBJECT_INSTANCE | NUMBER(38) | | Numbered position of the object name in the original SQL statement |
| OBJECT_TYPE | VARCHAR2(30) | | Descriptive modifier that further describes the type of object |
| OPTIMIZER | VARCHAR2(255) | | The current mode of the optimizer |
| SEARCH_COLUMNS | NUMBER | | Not currently used |
| ID | NUMBER(38) | | Identification number for this step in the execution plan |
| PARENT_ID | NUMBER(38) | | ID of the next step that operates on the results of this step |
| POSITION | NUMBER(38) | | Order of processing for steps with the same parent ID. For cost-based optimization, the value in the first row of the plan is the statement's execution cost. For rule-based optimization, the value is null in the first row. |
| COST | NUMBER(38) | | The cost of the current operation estimated by the cost-based optimizer (CBO) |
| CARDINALITY | NUMBER(38) | | The number of rows returned by the current operation (estimated by the CBO) |
| BYTES | NUMBER(38) | | The number of bytes returned by the current operation |

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------------|---------------|------|--|
| OTHER_TAG | VARCHAR2(255) | | <p>OTHER_TAG describes the function of the SQL text in the OTHER column. Values for OTHER_TAG are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SERIAL - the SQL is the text of a locally-executed, serial query plan. Currently, SQL is not loaded in OTHER for this case. SERIAL_FROM_REMOTE - the SQL text shown in the OTHER column will be executed at a remote site. PARALLEL_COMBINED_WITH_PARENT - the parent of this operation is a DFO that performs both operations in the parallel execution plan. PARALLEL_COMBINED_WITH_CHILD - the child of this operation is a DFO that performs both operations in the parallel execution plan. PARALLEL_TO_SERIAL - the SQL text shown in the OTHER column is the top-level of the parallel plan. PARALLEL_TO_PARALLEL - the SQL text shown in the OTHER column is executed and output in parallel. PARALLEL_FROM_SERIAL - this operation consumes data from a serial operation and outputs it in parallel. |
| PARTITION_START | VARCHAR2(255) | | The start partition of a range of accessed partitions |
| PARTITION_STOP | VARCHAR2(255) | | The stop partition of a range of accessed partitions |
| PARTITION_ID | NUMBER(38) | | The step that has computed the pair of values of the PARTITION_START and PARTITION_STOP columns |
| OTHER | LONG | | Information about parallel execution slaves and parallel queries |
| DISTRIBUTION | VARCHAR2(30) | | The distribution method |
| CPU_COST | NUMBER | | User-defined CPU cost |
| IO_COST | NUMBER | | User-defined I/O cost |

PLUGGABLE_SET_CHECK

PLUGGABLE_SET_CHECK contains pluggable set checks.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|--------------|--------------|------|-----------------|
| OBJ1_OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | | Owner of object |
| OBJ1_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | | Object 1 |
| OBJ1_SUBNAME | VARCHAR2(30) | | SubObject1Name |
| OBJ1_TYPE | VARCHAR2(15) | | Object Type |

PRODUCT_COMPONENT_VERSION

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------------|--------------|------|--------------------------------------|
| TS1_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | | Tablespace containing Object 1 |
| OBJ2_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | | Object Name |
| OBJ2_SUBNAME | VARCHAR2(30) | | SubObject2Name |
| OBJ2_TYPE | VARCHAR2(15) | | Object Type |
| OBJ2_OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | | Object owner of second object |
| TS2_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | | Tablespace containing Object 1 |
| CONSTRAINT_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | | Name of dependent constraint |
| REASON | VARCHAR2(79) | | Reason for Pluggable check violation |
| MESG_ID | NUMBER | | The message ID |

PRODUCT_COMPONENT_VERSION

PRODUCT_COMPONENT_VERSION contains version and status information for component products.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|---------|--------------|------|-------------------|
| PRODUCT | VARCHAR2(64) | | Product name |
| VERSION | VARCHAR2(64) | | Version number |
| STATUS | VARCHAR2(64) | | Status of release |

PROXY_USERS

PROXY_USERS describes users who can assume the identity of other users.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|--------|--------------|----------|--|
| PROXY | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the client whose identity a proxy may assume |
| CLIENT | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of a user which assume the identity of a client |
| ROLE | VARCHAR2(30) | | Name of a role that a proxy user may or may not activate while acting as a client |
| FLAGS | VARCHAR2(35) | | Indicates whether or not a proxy can activate all client roles, no client roles, or a specific client role |

PSTUBTBL

This table contains information on stubs generated by the PSTUB utility so that an Oracle Forms 3.0 client can call stored procedures in an Oracle database.

Note: The contents of this table are intended only for use by the PSTUB utility.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|----------|-------------------|------|--|
| USERNAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Schema part of the identifier of a stored procedure |
| DBNAME | VARCHAR2 (128) | | Database link part of the identifier of a stored procedure |
| LUN | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Library unit name part of the identifier of a stored procedure |
| LUTYPE | VARCHAR2 (3) | | Type of the stored procedure |
| LINENO | NUMBER | | Line number of the stub |
| LINE | VARCHAR2 (1800) | | Text of the stub |

PUBLIC_DEPENDENCY

PUBLIC_DEPENDENCY lists dependencies to and from objects, by object number.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|----------------------|----------|----------|---------------------------------------|
| OBJECT_ID | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Object number |
| REFERENCED_OBJECT_ID | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Referenced object (the parent object) |

PUBLICSYN

PUBLICSYN contains information on public synonyms.

QUEUE_PRIVILEGES

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|----------|------------------|------|-------------------------------------|
| SNAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Name of the synonym |
| CREATOR | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Owner of the synonym |
| TNAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Table of which this is a synonym |
| DATABASE | VARCHAR2 (128) | | Database in which the table resides |
| TABTYPE | VARCHAR2 (9) | | Type of table |

QUEUE_PRIVILEGES

QUEUE_PRIVILEGES shows all Advanced Queuing object privileges granted to the session.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-------------------|-----------------|----------|---|
| GRANTEE | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the user to whom access was granted |
| OWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the object |
| NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the object |
| GRANTOR | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the user who performed the grant |
| ENQUEUE_PRIVILEGE | NUMBER | | Permission to ENQUEUE to the queue |
| DEQUEUE_PRIVILEGE | NUMBER | | Permission to DEQUEUE from the queue |

RC

RC_ views are not created by default in the database; they are only available after you create an optional recovery catalog (which contains schemas containing information about backups) for use with Recovery Manager. See the *Oracle9i Recovery Manager Reference* for details about these views.

RESOURCE_COST

RESOURCE_COST lists the cost for each resource.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|---------------|-----------------|----------|----------------------|
| RESOURCE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (32) | NOT NULL | Name of the resource |
| UNIT_COST | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Cost of the resource |

RESOURCE_MAP

RESOURCE_MAP describes resources and maps the resource name to the resource number.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------|--------------|----------|-----------------------|
| RESOURCE# | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Numeric resource code |
| TYPE# | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Name of type |
| NAME | VARCHAR2(32) | NOT NULL | Name of resource |

ROLE_ROLE_PRIVS

ROLE_ROLE_PRIVS describes roles granted to other roles. Information is provided only about roles to which the user has access.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|--------------|--------------|----------|---|
| ROLE | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the role |
| GRANTED_ROLE | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Role that was granted |
| ADMIN_OPTION | VARCHAR2(3) | | Signifies that the role was granted with ADMIN option |

ROLE_SYS_PRIVS

ROLE_SYS_PRIVS contains information about system privileges granted to roles. Information is provided only about roles to which the user has access.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|--------------|--------------|----------|---|
| ROLE | VARCHAR2(30) | NOT NULL | Name of the role |
| PRIVILEGE | VARCHAR2(40) | NOT NULL | System privilege granted to the role |
| ADMIN_OPTION | VARCHAR2(3) | | Signifies the grant was with the ADMIN option |

ROLE_TAB_PRIVS

ROLE_TAB_PRIVS contains information about table privileges granted to roles. Information is provided only about roles to which the user has access.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-------------|-----------------|----------|---|
| ROLE | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the role |
| OWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the object |
| TABLE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the object |
| COLUMN_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Name of the column, if applicable |
| PRIVILEGE | VARCHAR2 (40) | NOT NULL | Object privilege granted to the role |
| GRANTABLE | VARCHAR2 (3) | | YES if the role was granted with ADMIN OPTION; otherwise NO |

SEQ

SEQ is a synonym for USER_SEQUENCES.

See Also: ["USER_SEQUENCES"](#) on page 2-211

SESSION_CONTEXT

SESSION_CONTEXT lists attributes and the values set for the current session.

See Also: *Oracle9i SQL Reference* for information on the predefined attributes of the current session

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------|-------------------|----------|---|
| NAMESPACE | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | The namespace that the active attribute is in |
| ATTRIBUTE | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | The name of the active attribute |
| VALUE | VARCHAR2 (4000) | NOT NULL | The value of the active attribute |

SESSION_PRIVS

SESSION_PRIVS lists the privileges that are currently available to the user.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------|-----------------|----------|-----------------------|
| PRIVILEGE | VARCHAR2 (40) | NOT NULL | Name of the privilege |

SESSION_ROLES

SESSION_ROLES lists the roles that are currently enabled to the user.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|--------|-----------------|----------|------------------|
| ROLE | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the role |

SOURCE_SIZE

Oracle accesses this view to create views about object size.

See Also: ["DBA_OBJECT_SIZE"](#) on page 2-137 and ["USER_OBJECT_SIZE"](#) on page 2-204

STMT_AUDIT_OPTION_MAP

STMT_AUDIT_OPTION_MAP lists auditing option type codes.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|----------|-----------------|----------|-----------------------------------|
| OPTION# | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Numeric auditing option type code |
| NAME | VARCHAR2 (40) | NOT NULL | Name of the auditing option |
| PROPERTY | NUMBER | NOT NULL | |

SYN

SYN is a synonym for USER_SYNONYMS.

SYNONYMS is included for compatibility with Oracle version 5. Oracle Corporation recommends that you do not use this view.

SYSCATALOG

SYSCATALOG is included for compatibility with Oracle version 5. Oracle Corporation recommends that you do not use this view.

SYSFILES

SYSFILES is included for compatibility with Oracle version 5. Oracle Corporation recommends that you do not use this view.

SYSSEGOBJ

SYSSEGOBJ is included for compatibility with Oracle version 5. Oracle Corporation recommends that you do not use this view.

SYSTEM_PRIVILEGE_MAP

SYSTEM_PRIVILEGE_MAP contains information about system privilege codes.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------|-----------------|----------|-------------------------------|
| PRIVILEGE | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Numeric privilege type code |
| NAME | VARCHAR2 (40) | NOT NULL | Name of the type of privilege |
| PROPERTY | NUMBER | NOT NULL | |

SYS_OBJECTS

SYS_OBJECTS maps object IDs to object types and segment data block addresses.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------------|-----------------|------|---|
| OBJECT_TYPE | VARCHAR2 (15) | | Type of the object |
| OBJECT_TYPE_ID | NUMBER | | Type ID of the object |
| SEGMENT_TYPE_ID | NUMBER | | Type of segment: TABLE , CLUSTER , INDEX , ROLLBACK , DEFERRED ROLLBACK , TEMPORARY , CACHE |
| OBJECT_ID | NUMBER | | Object identifier |
| HEADER_FILE | NUMBER | | ID of the file containing the segment header |
| HEADER_BLOCK | NUMBER | | ID of the block containing the segment header |
| TS_NUMBER | NUMBER | | The tablespace number |

TAB

TAB is included for compatibility with Oracle version 5. Oracle Corporation recommends that you do not use this view.

TABLE_PRIVILEGE_MAP

TABLE_PRIVILEGE_MAP contains information about access privilege codes.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------|-----------------|----------|---|
| PRIVILEGE | NUMBER | NOT NULL | Numeric privilege (auditing option) type code |
| NAME | VARCHAR2 (40) | NOT NULL | Name of the type of privilege (auditing option) |

TABLE_PRIVILEGES

TABLE_PRIVILEGES contains information on grants on objects for which the user is the grantor, grantee, or owner, or PUBLIC is the grantee. This view is included for compatibility with Oracle version 6. Oracle Corporation recommends that you do not use this view.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------------|-----------------|----------|---|
| GRANTEE | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the user to whom access is granted |
| OWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Owner of the object |
| TABLE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the object |
| GRANTOR | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the user who performed the grant |
| SELECT_PRIV | VARCHAR2 (1) | | Permission to select from the object |
| INSERT_PRIV | VARCHAR2 (1) | | Permission to insert into the object |
| DELETE_PRIV | VARCHAR2 (1) | | Permission to delete from the object |
| UPDATE_PRIV | VARCHAR2 (1) | | Permission to update the object |
| REFERENCES_PRIV | VARCHAR2 (1) | | Permission to reference the object |
| ALTER_PRIV | VARCHAR2 (1) | | Permission to alter the object |
| INDEX_PRIV | VARCHAR2 (1) | | Permission to create or drop an index on the object |
| CREATED | VARCHAR2 (0) | | Timestamp for the grant |

TABS

TABS is a synonym for USER_TABLES.

See Also: ["USER_TABLES"](#) on page 2-215

TABQUOTAS

TABQUOTAS is included for compatibility with Oracle version 5. Oracle Corporation recommends that you do not use this view.

TRUSTED_SERVERS

TRUSTED_SERVERS displays whether a server is trusted or untrusted.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|--------|------------------|------|---|
| TRUST | VARCHAR2 (9) | | Trustedness of the server listed. Values can be TRUSTED or UNTRUSTED servers which are not listed in the NAME column have opposite trustedness. |
| NAME | VARCHAR2 (128) | | Server name. Can be a specific server name or ALL for all servers. |

Table 2–2 shows examples of the values returned depending on the status of the servers.

Table 2–2 TRUSTED_SERVERS Values

| Condition (If . . .) | TRUSTED column | NAME column |
|--|----------------|-------------|
| ... all servers are trusted | Trusted | ALL |
| ... no servers are trusted | Untrusted | ALL |
| ... all servers except DB1 are trusted | Untrusted | DB1 |
| ... all servers except DB1 are untrusted | Trusted | DB1 |

See Also: Oracle9i Heterogeneous Connectivity Administrator's Guide

TS_PITR_CHECK

This view, created by catpitr.sql provides information on any dependencies or restrictions that might prevent tablespace point-in-time recovery from proceeding. This view applies only to the tablespace point-in-time recovery feature.

See Also: Oracle9i User-Managed Backup and Recovery Guide

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|--------------|-----------------|----------|--|
| OBJ1_OWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | The owner of the object preventing tablespace point-in-time recovery. See the REASON column for details. |
| OBJ1_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | The name of the object preventing tablespace point-in-time recovery |
| OBJ1_TYPE | VARCHAR2 (15) | | The object type for the object preventing tablespace point-in-time recovery |
| OBJ1_SUBNAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Subordinate to OBJ1_NAME |

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------------|-----------------|----------|--|
| TS1_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | Name of the tablespace containing the object preventing tablespace point-in-time recovery |
| OBJ2_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | The name of a second object which may be preventing tablespace point-in-time recovery. If NULL, object 1 is the only object preventing recovery. |
| OBJ2_TYPE | VARCHAR2 (15) | | The object type for the second object (will be NULL if OBJ2_NAME is NULL) |
| OBJ2_OWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | | The owner of the second object (will be NULL if OBJ2_NAME is NULL) |
| OBJ2_SUBNAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Subordinate to OBJ2_NAME |
| TS2_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Name of the tablespace containing second object which may be preventing tablespace point-in-time recovery (-1 indicates not applicable) |
| CONSTRAINT_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Name of the constraint |
| REASON | VARCHAR2 (78) | | Reason why tablespace point-in-time recovery cannot proceed |

TS_PITR_OBJECTS_TO_BE_DROPPED

TS_PITR_OBJECTS_TO_BE_DROPPED lists all objects lost as a result of performing tablespace point-in-time recovery. This view applies only to the tablespace point-in-time recovery feature.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------------|-----------------|----------|--|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | The owner of the object |
| NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NOT NULL | The name of the object that will be lost as a result of undergoing tablespace point-in-time recovery |
| CREATION_TIME | DATE | NOT NULL | Creation timestamp of the object |
| TABLESPACE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Name of the tablespace containing the object |

UNI_PLUGGABLE_SET_CHECK

UNI_PLUGGABLE_SET_CHECK contains pluggable check information.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|------------|-----------------|------|-----------------|
| OBJ1_OWNER | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Owner of object |
| OBJ1_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Object 1 |

USER_ALL_TABLES

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|-----------------|--------------|------|--------------------------------------|
| OBJ1_SUBNAME | VARCHAR2(30) | | SubObject1Name |
| OBJ1_TYPE | VARCHAR2(15) | | Object Type |
| TS1_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | | Tablespace containing Object 1 |
| OBJ2_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | | Object Name |
| OBJ2_SUBNAME | VARCHAR2(30) | | SubObject2Name |
| OBJ2_TYPE | VARCHAR2(15) | | Object Type |
| OBJ2_OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | | Object owner of second object |
| TS2_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | | Tablespace containing Object 1 |
| CONSTRAINT_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | | Name of dependent constraint |
| REASON | VARCHAR2(79) | | Reason for Pluggable check violation |
| MESG_ID | NUMBER | | The message ID |

USER_ALL_TABLES

USER_ALL_TABLES contains descriptions of the object tables and relational tables owned by the current user. Its columns are the same as those in "[ALL_ALL_TABLES](#)" on page 2-4.

USER_ARGUMENTS

USER_ARGUMENTS lists the arguments in all procedures and functions that are owned by the current user. Its columns are the same as those in "[ALL_ARGUMENTS](#)" on page 2-6.

USER_ASSOCIATIONS

USER_ASSOCIATIONS describes user-defined statistics associated with objects owned by the current user. Its columns are the same as those in "[ALL_ASSOCIATIONS](#)" on page 2-7.

USER_AUDIT_OBJECT

This view, created by `cataudit.sql`, lists audit trail records for statements concerning objects that are accessible to the current user. Its columns are the same as those in "[DBA_AUDIT_OBJECT](#)" on page 2-115.

USER_AUDIT_SESSION

This view, created by `cataudit.sql`, lists all audit trail records concerning connections and disconnections for the user. Its columns are the same as those in ["DBA_AUDIT_SESSION"](#) on page 2-117.

USER_AUDIT_STATEMENT

This view, created by `cataudit.sql`, lists audit trail entries for the following statements issued by the user: GRANT, REVOKE, AUDIT, NOAUDIT, and ALTER SYSTEM. Its columns are the same as those in ["DBA_AUDIT_STATEMENT"](#) on page 2-117.

USER_AUDIT_TRAIL

This view, created by `cataudit.sql`, lists audit trail entries relevant to the user. Its columns are the same as those in ["DBA_AUDIT_TRAIL"](#) on page 2-119.

USER_BASE_TABLE_MVIEWS

`USER_BASE_TABLE_MVIEWS` describes all materialized views using materialized view logs owned by the current user. Its columns are the same as those in `ALL_BASE_TABLE_MVIEWS`.

See Also: ["ALL_BASE_TABLE_MVIEWS"](#) on page 2-8

USER_CATALOG

`USER_CATALOG` lists indexes, tables, views, clusters, synonyms, and sequences owned by the current user. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_CATALOG"](#) on page 2-9.

USER_CLU_COLUMNS

`USER_CLU_COLUMNS` maps columns in the current user's tables to cluster columns. Its columns are the same as those in ["DBA_CLU_COLUMNS"](#) on page 2-121.

USER_CLUSTER_HASH_EXPRESSIONS

USER_CLUSTER_HASH_EXPRESSIONS lists hash functions for the hash clusters owned by the current user. Its columns are the same as those in "[ALL_CLUSTER_HASH_EXPRESSIONS](#)" on page 2-9.

USER_CLUSTERS

USER_CLUSTERS describes all the clusters owned by the current user. Its columns are the same as those in "[ALL_CLUSTERS](#)" on page 2-10.

USER_COL_COMMENTS

USER_COL_COMMENTS describes comments on columns of tables and views in the current user's schema. Its columns are the same as those in "[ALL_COL_COMMENTS](#)" on page 2-11.

USER_COL_PRIVS

USER_COL_PRIVS describes all column object grants for which the current user is the owner, grantor, or grantee. Its columns are the same as those in "[ALL_COL_PRIVS](#)" on page 2-11.

USER_COL_PRIVS_MADE

USER_COL_PRIVS_MADE describes all column object grants for which the current user is the grantor. Its columns are the same as those in "[ALL_COL_PRIVS_MADE](#)" on page 2-12.

USER_COL_PRIVS_RECD

USER_COL_PRIVS_RECD describes column object grants for which the current user is the grantee. Its columns are the same as those in "[ALL_COL_PRIVS_RECD](#)" on page 2-13.

USER_COLL_TYPES

USER_COLL_TYPES describes named collection types (VARRAYs, nested tables, object tables, and so on) in the current user's schema. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_COLL_TYPES"](#) on page 2-13.

USER_CONS_COLUMNS

USER_CONS_COLUMNS describes columns that are owned by the current user and that are specified in constraint definitions. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_CONS_COLUMNS"](#) on page 2-14.

USER_CONSTRAINTS

USER_CONSTRAINTS describes all constraint definitions on tables owned by the current user. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_CONSTRAINTS"](#) on page 2-15.

USER_DB_LINKS

USER_DB_LINKS describes database links owned by the current user. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_DB_LINKS"](#) on page 2-17.

USER_DEPENDENCIES

USER_DEPENDENCIES describes dependencies between procedures, packages, functions, package bodies, and triggers owned by the current user, including dependencies on views created without any database links. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_DEPENDENCIES"](#) on page 2-18.

USER_DIM_ATTRIBUTES

USER_DIM_ATTRIBUTES describes the relationship between dimension levels and functionally dependent columns in the current user's schema. The level columns and the dependent column must be in the same table. This view's columns are the same as those in ["ALL_DIM_ATTRIBUTES"](#) on page 2-19.

USER_DIM_CHILD_OF

USER_DIM_CHILD_OF describes a hierarchical relationship of 1 to n between pairs of levels in dimensions owned by the current user. Its columns are the same as those in "[ALL_DIM_CHILD_OF](#)" on page 2-19.

USER_DIM_HIERARCHIES

USER_DIM_HIERARCHIES describes the dimension hierarchies owned by the current user. Its columns are the same as those in "[ALL_DIM_HIERARCHIES](#)" on page 2-20.

USER_DIM_JOIN_KEY

USER_DIM_JOIN_KEY describes the join between two dimension tables owned by the current user. The join is always specified between a parent dimension level column and a child column. This view's columns are the same as those in "[ALL_DIM_JOIN_KEY](#)" on page 2-20.

USER_DIM_LEVEL_KEY

USER_DIM_LEVEL_KEY describes columns of dimension levels owned by the current user. This view's columns are the same as those in "[ALL_DIM_LEVEL_KEY](#)" on page 2-21.

USER_DIM_LEVELS

USER_DIM_LEVELS describes the levels of dimensions owned by the current user. All columns of a dimension level must come from the same relation. This view's columns are the same as those in "[ALL_DIM_LEVELS](#)" on page 2-21.

USER_DIMENSIONS

USER_DIMENSIONS describes dimension objects in the user's schema. Its columns are the same as those in "[ALL_DIMENSIONS](#)" on page 2-22.

USER_ERRORS

USER_ERRORS describes current errors on all stored objects (views, procedures, functions, packages, and package bodies) owned by the current user. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_ERRORS"](#) on page 2-23.

USER_EXTENTS

USER_EXTENTS describes extents of the segments belonging to objects owned by the current user. Its columns are a subset of those in ["DBA_EXTENTS"](#) on page 2-127.

USER_EXTERNAL_TABLES

USER_EXTERNAL_TABLES describes all external tables owned by the current user. Its columns are the same as those in ALL_EXTERNAL_TABLES.

See Also: ["ALL_EXTERNAL_TABLES"](#) on page 2-23

USER_FREE_SPACE

USER_FREE_SPACE lists the free extents in tablespaces accessible to the user. Its columns are a subset of those in ["DBA_FREE_SPACE"](#) on page 2-128.

USER_HISTOGRAMS

USER_HISTOGRAMS is a synonym for USER_TAB_HISTOGRAMS.

See Also: ["USER_TAB_HISTOGRAMS"](#) on page 2-214

USER_IND_COLUMNS

USER_IND_COLUMNS describes the columns of the indexes owned by the current user and columns of indexes on tables owned by the current user. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_IND_COLUMNS"](#) on page 2-24.

USER_IND_EXPRESSIONS

`USER_IND_EXPRESSIONS` describes expressions of function-based indexes on tables owned by the current user. Its columns are the same as those in "[ALL_IND_EXPRESSIONS](#)" on page 2-25.

USER_IND_PARTITIONS

`USER_IND_PARTITIONS` describes, for each index partition owned by the current user, the partition-level partitioning information, the storage parameters for the partition, and various partition statistics analyzed by `ANALYZE` statements. Its columns are the same as those in "[ALL_IND_PARTITIONS](#)" on page 2-26.

USER_IND_SUBPARTITIONS

`USER_IND_SUBPARTITIONS` describes, for each index subpartition owned by the current user, the partition-level partitioning information, the storage parameters for the subpartition, and various partition statistics collected by `ANALYZE` statements. Its columns are the same as those in "[ALL_IND_SUBPARTITIONS](#)" on page 2-28.

USER_INDEXES

`USER_INDEXES` describes indexes owned by the current user. To gather statistics for this view, use the SQL `ANALYZE` statement. This view supports parallel partitioned index scans. Its columns (except `OWNER`) are the same as those in "[ALL_INDEXES](#)" on page 2-30.

USER_INDEXTYPE_COMMENTS

`USER_INDEXTYPE_COMMENTS` lists all comments for user-defined indextypes owned by the current user. Its columns are the same as those in `ALL_INDEXTYPE_COMMENTS`.

See Also: "[ALL_INDEXTYPE_COMMENTS](#)" on page 2-33

USER_INDEXTYPE_OPERATORS

`USER_INDEXTYPE_OPERATORS` lists all the operators supported by indextypes owned by the current user. Its columns are the same as those in `ALL_INDEXTYPE_OPERATORS`.

See Also: ["ALL_INDEXTYPE_OPERATORS"](#) on page 2-33

USER_INDEXTYPES

USER_INDEXTYPES describes all indextypes owned by the current user. Its columns are the same as those in ALL_INDEXTYPES.

See Also: ["ALL_INDEXTYPES"](#) on page 2-34

USER_INTERNAL_TRIGGERS

USER_INTERNAL_TRIGGERS describes the internal triggers on all tables owned by the current user. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_INTERNAL_TRIGGERS"](#) on page 2-35.

USER_JOBS

USER_JOBS describes all jobs owned by the user. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_JOBS"](#) on page 2-35.

See Also: *Oracle9i Database Administrator's Guide* for more information on jobs

USER_JOIN_IND_COLUMNS

USER_JOIN_IND_COLUMNS describes all join conditions owned by the current user. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_JOIN_IND_COLUMNS"](#) on page 2-36.

USER_LIBRARIES

USER_LIBRARIES describes all libraries owned by the current user. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_LIBRARIES"](#) on page 2-37.

USER_LOB_PARTITIONS

USER_LOB_PARTITIONS displays the LOB partitions contained in tables owned by the current user. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_LOB_PARTITIONS"](#) on page 2-38.

USER_LOB_SUBPARTITIONS

USER_LOB_SUBPARTITIONS describes partition-level attributes of LOB data subpartitions owned by the current user. Its columns are the same as those in "[ALL_LOB_SUBPARTITIONS](#)" on page 2-39.

USER_LOBS

USER_LOBS displays the user's CLOBs and BLOBs contained in the user's tables. BFILEs are stored outside the database, so they are not described by this view. This view's columns are the same as those in "[ALL_LOBS](#)" on page 2-40.

USER_LOG_GROUP_COLUMNS

USER_LOG_GROUP_COLUMNS describes columns that are owned by the current user and that are specified in log groups. Its columns are the same as those in "[ALL_LOG_GROUP_COLUMNS](#)" on page 2-42.

USER_LOG_GROUPS

USER_LOG_GROUPS describes log group definitions on tables owned by the current user. Its columns are the same as those in "[ALL_LOG_GROUPS](#)" on page 2-42.

USER_METHOD_PARAMS

USER_METHOD_PARAMS describes method parameters of types owned by the current user. Its columns are the same as those in "[ALL_METHOD_PARAMS](#)" on page 2-43.

USER_METHOD_RESULTS

USER_METHOD_RESULTS describes the method results of types owned by the current user. Its columns are the same as those in "[ALL_METHOD_RESULTS](#)" on page 2-43.

USER_MVIEW_AGGREGATES

USER_MVIEW_AGGREGATES describes the grouping functions (aggregated measures) that appear in the SELECT list of aggregated materialized views owned

by the current user. Its columns are the same as those in "[ALL_MVIEW_AGGREGATES](#)" on page 2-44.

USER_MVIEW_ANALYSIS

USER_MVIEW_ANALYSIS describes all materialized views owned by the current user that potentially support query rewrite and that provide additional information for analysis by applications. Its columns are the same as those in "[ALL_MVIEW_ANALYSIS](#)" on page 2-45.

Note: This view excludes materialized views that reference remote tables or that include references to non-static values such as SYSDATE or USER. This view also excludes materialized views that were created as snapshots prior to Oracle8i and that were never altered to enable query rewrite.

USER_MVIEW_DETAIL_RELATIONS

USER_MVIEW_DETAIL_RELATIONS represents the named detail relations that are either in the FROM list of a materialized view, or that are indirectly referenced through views in the FROM list. Its columns are the same as those in "[ALL_MVIEW_DETAIL_RELATIONS](#)" on page 2-47.

USER_MVIEW_JOINS

USER_MVIEW_JOINS describes a join between two columns in the WHERE clause of a subquery that defines a materialized view. Its columns are the same as those in "[ALL_MVIEW_JOINS](#)" on page 2-47.

USER_MVIEW_KEYS

USER_MVIEW_KEYS describes the columns or expressions in the SELECT list upon which materialized views in the current user's schema are based. Its columns are the same as those in "[ALL_MVIEW_KEYS](#)" on page 2-48.

USER_MVIEW_REFRESH_TIMES

`USER_MVIEW_REFRESH_TIMES` describes refresh times of all materialized views owned by the current user. Its columns are the same as those in `ALL_MVIEW_REFRESH_TIMES`.

See Also: ["ALL_MVIEW_REFRESH_TIMES"](#) on page 2-49

USER_MVIEWS

`USER_MVIEWS` describes the materialized views owned by the current user. Its columns are the same as those in `ALL_MVIEWS`.

See Also: ["ALL_MVIEWS"](#) on page 2-50

USER_NESTED_TABLES

`USER_NESTED_TABLES` describes the nested tables in tables owned by the current user. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_NESTED_TABLES"](#) on page 2-53.

USER_OBJ_AUDIT_OPTS

This view, created by `cataudit.sql`, lists auditing characteristics for all objects owned by the current user. Its columns are the same as those in ["DBA_OBJ_AUDIT_OPTS"](#) on page 2-136.

USER_OBJECT_SIZE

`USER_OBJECT_SIZE` lists the sizes, in bytes, of various PL/SQL objects. Its columns are the same as those in ["DBA_OBJECT_SIZE"](#) on page 2-137.

USER_OBJECT_TABLES

`USER_OBJECT_TABLES` describes the object tables owned by the current user. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_OBJECT_TABLES"](#) on page 2-54.

USER_OBJECTS

`USER_OBJECTS` describes all objects owned by the current user. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_OBJECTS"](#) on page 2-56.

USER_OPANCILLARY

USER_OPANCILLARY provides ancillary information for operators owned by the current user. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_OPANCILLARY"](#) on page 2-57.

USER_OPARGUMENTS

USER_OPARGUMENTS provides argument information for operator bindings owned by the current user. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_OPARGUMENTS"](#) on page 2-58.

USER_OPBINDINGS

USER_OPBINDINGS describes bindings of operators owned by the current user. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_OPBINDINGS"](#) on page 2-58.

USER_OPERATOR_COMMENTS

USER_OPERATOR_COMMENTS lists all comments for user-defined operators owned by the current user. Its columns are the same as those in ALL_INDEXTYPE_COMMENTS.

See Also: ["ALL_OPERATOR_COMMENTS"](#) on page 2-59

USER_OPERATORS

USER_OPERATORS describes all operators owned by the current user. Its columns are the same as those in ALL_OPERATORS.

See Also: ["ALL_OPERATORS"](#) on page 2-59

USER_OUTLINE_HINTS

USER_OUTLINE_HINTS describes the set of hints that make up the outlines owned by the current user. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_OUTLINE_HINTS"](#) on page 2-60.

USER_OUTLINES

USER_OUTLINES describes all outlines owned by the current user. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_OUTLINES"](#) on page 2-60.

USER_PART_COL_STATISTICS

USER_PART_COL_STATISTICS provides column statistics and histogram information for table partitions owned by the current user. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_PART_COL_STATISTICS"](#) on page 2-61.

USER_PART_HISTOGRAMS

USER_PART_HISTOGRAMS contains the histogram data (end-points per histogram) for histograms on table partitions that the current user can access. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_PART_HISTOGRAMS"](#) on page 2-62.

USER_PART_KEY_COLUMNS

USER_PART_KEY_COLUMNS describes the partitioning key columns for partitioned objects owned by the current user. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_PART_KEY_COLUMNS"](#) on page 2-64.

USER_PART_INDEXES

USER_PART_INDEXES describes object-level partitioning information for all partitioned indexes owned by the current user. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_PART_INDEXES"](#) on page 2-63.

USER_PART_LOBS

USER_PART_LOBS provides table-level information for partitioned LOBs owned by the current user, including default attributes for LOB data partitions. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_PART_LOBS"](#) on page 2-65.

USER_PART_TABLES

USER_PART_TABLES provides object-level partitioning information for partitioned tables owned by the current user. Its columns are the same as those in "[ALL_PART_TABLES](#)" on page 2-66.

USER_PARTIAL_DROP_TABS

USER_PARTIAL_DROP_TABS describes all tables in the schema of the current user that have partially completed DROP COLUMN operations. Its columns are the same as those in "[ALL_PARTIAL_DROP_TABS](#)" on page 2-68.

USER_PASSWORD_LIMITS

USER_PASSWORD_LIMITS describes the password profile parameters that are assigned to the user.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|---------------|-----------------|----------|-------------------------------|
| RESOURCE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (32) | NOT NULL | Name of the password resource |
| LIMIT | VARCHAR2 (40) | | Value of the resource limit |

USER_POLICIES

USER_POLICIES describes security policies on all objects owned by the current user. Its columns are the same as those in "[ALL_POLICIES](#)" on page 2-68.

USER_PROCEDURES

USER_PROCEDURES lists all functions and procedures, along with their associated properties. Its columns (except OWNER) are the same as those in "[ALL_PROCEDURES](#)" on page 2-69.

USER_PROXIES

USER_PROXIES displays information about connections the current user is allowed to proxy. Its columns are the same as those in DBA_PROXIES.

See Also: "[DBA_PROXIES](#)" on page 2-141

USER_PUBLISHED_COLUMNS

USER_PUBLISHED_COLUMNS describes all existing source table columns for which the user has privileges.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------------------|--------------|--|
| SOURCE_SCHEMA_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | Table owner in the source system |
| SOURCE_TABLE_NAME | VARCHAR2(31) | Table name in the source system |
| COLUMN_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | Column name |
| DATA_TYPE | VARCHAR2(30) | Column datatype |
| DATA_LENGTH | NUMBER | Column length in bytes |
| DATA_PRECISION | NUMBER | Decimal precision for NUMBER datatype; binary precision for FLOAT datatype; NULL for all other datatypes |
| DATA_SCALE | NUMBER | Digits to the right of a decimal point in a number |
| NULLABLE | CHAR(1) | Nulls allowed (Y N)? |

USER_QUEUE_SCHEDULES

USER_QUEUE_SCHEDULES lists information about queue schedules. Its columns are the same as those in ["DBA_QUEUE_SCHEDULES"](#) on page 2-143.

USER_QUEUE_TABLES

USER_QUEUE_TABLES describes the queues in the queue tables created in the user's schema. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_QUEUE_TABLES"](#) on page 2-71.

See Also: *Oracle9i Application Developer's Guide - Advanced Queuing* for more information about these views and Advanced Queuing

USER_QUEUES

USER_QUEUES describes the operational characteristics of every queue in the user's schema. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_QUEUES"](#) on page 2-72.

See Also: *Oracle9i Application Developer's Guide - Advanced Queuing* for more information about these views and Advanced Queuing

USER_REFRESH

USER_REFRESH describes all refresh groups owned by the current user. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_REFRESH"](#) on page 2-73.

USER_REFRESH_CHILDREN

USER_REFRESH_CHILDREN lists all the objects in refresh groups owned by the current user. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_REFRESH_CHILDREN"](#) on page 2-74.

USER_REFS

USER_REFS describes the REF columns and REF attributes in the object type columns of tables owned by the current user. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_REFS"](#) on page 2-75.

USER_REGISTERED_MVIEWS

USER_REGISTERED_MVIEWS describes all registered materialized views owned by the current user. Its columns are the same as those in ALL_REGISTERED_MVIEWS.

See Also: ["ALL_REGISTERED_MVIEWS"](#) on page 2-76

USER_REGISTERED_SNAPSHOTS

USER_REGISTERED_SNAPSHOTS describes all registered materialized views owned by the current user. Its columns are the same as those in ALL_REGISTERED_SNAPSHOTS.

See Also: ["ALL_REGISTERED_SNAPSHOTS"](#) on page 2-77

USER_RESOURCE_LIMITS

USER_RESOURCE_LIMITS displays the resource limits for the current user.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|---------------|----------------|----------|-------------------------------|
| RESOURCE_NAME | VARCHAR2(32) | NOT NULL | Name of the resource |
| LIMIT | VARCHAR2(40) | | Limit placed on this resource |

USER_RESUMABLE

USER_RESUMABLE lists resumable statements executed by the current user. Its columns are the same as those in DBA_RESUMABLE.

See Also: ["DBA_RESUMABLE"](#) on page 2-148

USER_ROLE_PRIVS

USER_ROLE_PRIVS lists roles granted to the user.

| Column | Datatype | NULL | Description |
|--------------|-----------------|------|---|
| USERNAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Name of the user, or PUBLIC |
| GRANTED_ROLE | VARCHAR2 (30) | | Name of the role granted to the user |
| ADMIN_OPTION | VARCHAR2 (3) | | Granted with ADMIN option (YES NO) |
| DEFAULT_ROLE | VARCHAR2 (3) | | Role is designated as the user's default role (YES NO) |
| OS_GRANTED | VARCHAR2 (3) | | Granted by the operating system (YES NO; occurs if configuration parameter OS_ROLES = TRUE) |

USER_RSRC_CONSUMER_GROUP_PRIVS

USER_RSRC_CONSUMER_GROUP_PRIVS lists all resource consumer groups granted to the user. Its columns are the same as those in ["DBA_RSRC_CONSUMER_GROUP_PRIVS"](#) on page 2-151.

USER_RSRC_MANAGER_SYSTEM_PRIVS

USER_RSRC_MANAGER_SYSTEM_PRIVS lists all the users who are granted system privileges for the DBMS_RESOURCE_MANAGER package. Its columns are the same as those in ["DBA_RSRC_MANAGER_SYSTEM_PRIVS"](#) on page 2-152.

USER_SEGMENTS

USER_SEGMENTS lists information about storage allocation for database segments belonging to a user's objects. Its columns are the same as those in ["DBA_SEGMENTS"](#) on page 2-155.

USER_SEQUENCES

USER_SEQUENCES describes all sequences owned by the current user. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_SEQUENCES"](#) on page 2-78.

USER_SNAPSHOT_LOGS

USER_SNAPSHOT_LOGS lists all snapshot logs owned by the current user. Its columns are the same as those in ALL_SNAPSHOT_LOGS.

USER_SNAPSHOT_REFRESH_TIMES

USER_SNAPSHOT_REFRESH_TIMES is a synonym for USER_MVIEW_REFRESH_TIMES.

See Also: ["USER_MVIEW_REFRESH_TIMES"](#) on page 2-204

USER_SNAPSHOTS

USER_MVIEWS describes all materialized views owned by the current user. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_SOURCE"](#) on page 2-79.

USER_SOURCE

USER_SOURCE contains text source of all stored objects belonging to the user. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_SOURCE"](#) on page 2-79.

USER_SOURCE_TABLES

USER_SOURCE_TABLES enables you to see all of the existing source tables to which you have subscribe privileges. Its columns are the same as those in [ALL_SOURCE_TABLES](#) on page 2-80.

USER_SQLJ_TYPE_ATTRS

USER_SQLJ_TYPE_ATTRS lists attributes of a user's own SQLJ object type. Its columns (except for OWNER) are the same as those in ["ALL_SQLJ_TYPE_ATTRS"](#) on page 2-80.

USER_SQLJ_TYPE_METHODS

USER_SQLJ_TYPE_METHODS lists methods of a user's own types. Its columns (except for OWNER) are the same as those in "[ALL_SQLJ_TYPE_METHODS](#)" on page 2-81.

USER_SQLJ_TYPES

USER_SQLJ_TYPES provides information about a user's SQLJ object type. Its columns (except for OWNER) are the same as those in "[ALL_SQLJ_TYPES](#)" on page 2-82.

USER_STORED_SETTINGS

USER_STORED_SETTINGS lists information about the persistent parameter settings for stored PL/SQL units, but only shows information about PL/SQL units owned by the current user. USER_STORED_SETTINGS does not display the OWNER column. The rest of its columns are the same as those in "[ALL_STORED_SETTINGS](#)" on page 2-82.

USER_SUBPART_COL_STATISTICS

USER_SUBPART_COL_STATISTICS provides column statistics and histogram information for subpartitions of subpartitioned objects owned by the current user. Its columns are the same as those in "[ALL_STORED_SETTINGS](#)" on page 2-82.

USER_SUBPART_HISTOGRAMS

USER_SUBPART_HISTOGRAMS lists actual histogram data (end-points per histogram) for histograms on table subpartitions owned by the current user. Its columns are the same as those in "[ALL_SUBPART_HISTOGRAMS](#)" on page 2-84.

USER_SUBPART_KEY_COLUMNS

USER_SUBPART_KEY_COLUMNS lists subpartitioning key columns for composite-partitioned tables (and local indexes on composite-partitioned tables) owned by the current user. Its columns are the same as those in "[ALL_SUBPART_KEY_COLUMNS](#)" on page 2-85.

USER_SUBSCRIBED_COLUMNS

USER_SUBSCRIBED_COLUMNS enables publishers to view the columns of published tables to which they have subscribed. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_SUBSCRIBED_COLUMNS"](#) on page 2-85.

USER_SUBSCRIBED_TABLES

USER_SUBSCRIBED_TABLES enables subscribers to view all published tables to which they have subscribed. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_SUBSCRIBED_TABLES"](#) on page 2-86.

USER_SUBSCRIPTIONS

USER_SUBSCRIPTIONS enables subscribers to view all of their subscriptions. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_SUBSCRIPTIONS"](#) on page 2-86.

USER_SYNONYMS

USER_SYNONYMS describes private synonyms (synonyms owned by the current user). Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_SYNONYMS"](#) on page 2-88.

USER_SYS_PRIVS

USER_SYS_PRIVS lists system privileges granted to the current user. Its columns are the same as those in ["DBA_SYS_PRIVS"](#) on page 2-159.

USER_TAB_COL_STATISTICS

USER_TAB_COL_STATISTICS contains column statistics and histogram information extracted from ["USER_TAB_COLUMNS"](#) on page 2-213. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_TAB_COL_STATISTICS"](#) on page 2-88.

USER_TAB_COLUMNS

USER_TAB_COLUMNS describes the columns of tables, views, and clusters owned by the current user. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_TAB_COLUMNS"](#) on page 2-89. To gather statistics for this view, use the SQL ANALYZE statement.

USER_TAB_COMMENTS

USER_TAB_COMMENTS describes comments on the tables and views owned by the current user. Its columns are the same as those in "[ALL_TAB_COMMENTS](#)" on page 2-91.

USER_TAB_HISTOGRAMS

USER_TAB_HISTOGRAMS describes histograms on columns of tables owned by the current user. Its columns are the same as those in "[ALL_TAB_HISTOGRAMS](#)" on page 2-91.

USER_TAB_MODIFICATIONS

USER_TAB_MODIFICATIONS describes modifications to all tables owned by the current user that have been modified since the last time statistics were gathered on the tables. Its columns are the same as those in "[ALL_TAB_MODIFICATIONS](#)" on page 2-92.

Note: This view is populated only for tables with the MONITORING attribute. It is intended for statistics collection over a long period of time and may not be populated until a few hours after the actual modifications occurred.

USER_TAB_PARTITIONS

USER_TAB_PARTITIONS describes partition-level partitioning information, partition storage parameters, and partition statistics determined by ANALYZE statements for all partitions owned by the current user. Its columns are the same as those in "[ALL_TAB_PARTITIONS](#)" on page 2-93.

USER_TAB_PRIVS

USER_TAB_PRIVS describes grants on objects where the current user is the object owner, grantor, or grantee. Its columns are the same as those in "[ALL_TAB_PRIVS](#)" on page 2-95.

USER_TAB_PRIVS_MADE

USER_TAB_PRIVS_MADE lists all grants on objects owned by the user. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_TAB_PRIVS_MADE"](#) on page 2-95.

USER_TAB_PRIVS_RECD

USER_TAB_PRIVS_RECD lists object grants for which the current user is the grantee. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_TAB_PRIVS_RECD"](#) on page 2-96.

USER_TAB_SUBPARTITIONS

USER_TAB_SUBPARTITIONS describes, for each table subpartition, the subpartition name, name of the table and partition to which it belongs, and its storage attributes. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_TAB_SUBPARTITIONS"](#) on page 2-96.

Note: Statistics are not collected on a per-subpartition basis.

USER_TABLES

USER_TABLES describes all relational tables owned by the current user. Its columns are the same as those in ALL_TABLES. To gather statistics for this view, use the SQL ANALYZE statement.

See Also: ["ALL_TABLES"](#) on page 2-98

USER_TABLESPACES

USER_TABLESPACES contains descriptions of tablespaces accessible to the current user. Its columns are the same as those in ["DBA_TABLESPACES"](#) on page 2-161.

USER_TRANSFORMATIONS

USER_TRANSFORMATIONS lists information about transformations owned by particular users. Its columns are the same as those in ["DBA_TRANSFORMATIONS"](#) on page 2-163.

USER_TRIGGER_COLS

USER_TRIGGER_COLS describes the use of columns in triggers owned by the current user and triggers on tables owned by the current user. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_TRIGGER_COLS"](#) on page 2-101.

USER_TRIGGERS

USER_TRIGGERS describes all triggers owned by the current. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_TRIGGERS"](#) on page 2-101.

USER_TS_QUOTAS

USER_TS_QUOTAS contains information about tablespace quotas for the current user. Its columns are the same as those in ["DBA_TS_QUOTAS"](#) on page 2-164.

USER_TYPE_ATTRS

USER_TYPE_ATTRS describes the attributes of object types owned by the current user. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_TYPE_ATTRS"](#) on page 2-102.

USER_TYPE_METHODS

USER_TYPE_METHODS describes methods of object types owned by the current user. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_TYPE_METHODS"](#) on page 2-103.

USER_TYPES

USER_TYPES describes all object types owned by the current user. Its columns are the same as those in [ALL_TYPES](#).

See Also: ["ALL_TYPES"](#) on page 2-104

USER_UNUSED_COL_TABS

USER_UNUSED_COL_TABS contains a description of all tables containing unused columns. Its columns are the same as those in ["ALL_UNUSED_COL_TABS"](#) on page 2-105.

USER_UPDATABLE_COLUMNS

USER_UPDATABLE_COLUMNS describes columns in a join view that can be updated by the current user. Its columns are the same as those in "[ALL_UPDATABLE_COLUMNS](#)" on page 2-105.

See Also: *Oracle9i Database Concepts* for information on updatable join views

USER_USERS

USER_USERS describes the current user. Its columns are the same as those in "[DBA_USERS](#)" on page 2-166.

USER_USTATS

USER_USTATS describes all user-defined statistics owned by the current user. Its columns are the same as those in "[ALL_USTATS](#)" on page 2-106.

USER_VARRAYS

USER_VARRAYS describes the varrays owned by the current user. Its columns are the same as those in "[ALL_VARRAYS](#)" on page 2-107.

USER_VIEWS

USER_VIEWS displays the text of views owned by the current user. Its columns are the same as those in "[ALL_VIEWS](#)" on page 2-108.

Dynamic Performance (V\$) Views

This chapter describes the dynamic performance views, which are often referred to as V\$ views.

About Dynamic Performance Views

Oracle contains a set of underlying views that are maintained by the server and accessible to the database administrator user `SYS`. These views are called **dynamic performance views** because they are continuously updated while a database is open and in use, and their contents relate primarily to performance.

Although these views appear to be regular database tables, they are not. These views provide data on internal disk structures and memory structures. You can select from these views, but you can never update or alter them.

Note:

- You can query the dynamic performance views to extract information from them. However, only simple queries are supported. If sorts, joins, `GROUP BY` clauses and the like are needed, you should copy the information from each V\$ view into a table (for example, using a `CREATE TABLE ... AS SELECT` statement), and then query from those tables.
 - Because the information in the V\$ views is dynamic, read consistency is not guaranteed for `SELECT` operations on these views.
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The `catalog.sql` script contains definitions of the views and public synonyms for the dynamic performance views. You must run `catalog.sql` to create these views and synonyms. After installation, only username `SYS` or anyone with `SYSDBA` role has access to the dynamic performance tables.

V\$ Views

The actual dynamic performance views are identified by the prefix `V_`. Public synonyms for these views have the prefix `V$`. Database administrators and other users should access only the `V$` objects, not the `V_` objects.

The dynamic performance views are used by Enterprise Manager and Oracle Trace, which is the primary interface for accessing information about system performance. After an instance is started, the `V$` views that read from memory are accessible. Views that read data from disk require that the database be mounted, and some require that the database be open.

A number of dynamic performance views are relevant only if you are using Oracle Replication. Descriptions of the following Oracle Replication dynamic performance views can be found in the *Oracle9i Replication Management API Reference*.

- `V$MVREFRESH`
- `V$REPLPROP`
- `V$REPLQUEUE`

GV\$ Views

For almost every `V$` view described in this chapter, Oracle has a corresponding `GV$` (global `V$`) view. In Oracle9i Real Application Clusters, querying a `GV$` view retrieves the `V$` view information from all qualified instances. In addition to the `V$` information, each `GV$` view contains an extra column named `INST_ID` of datatype `NUMBER`. The `INST_ID` column displays the instance number from which the associated `V$` view information was obtained. The `INST_ID` column can be used as a filter to retrieve `V$` information from a subset of available instances. For example, the following query retrieves the information from the `V$LOCK` view on instances 2 and 5:

```
SELECT * FROM GV$LOCK WHERE INST_ID = 2 OR INST_ID = 5;
```

In order to query the GV\$ views, the value of the `PARALLEL_MAX_SERVERS` initialization parameter must be greater than zero on all instances mounting the database.

See Also: *Oracle9i Real Application Clusters Concepts*

The following sections list the columns and public synonyms for the dynamic performance views.

V\$ACCESS

This view displays objects in the database that are currently locked and the sessions that are accessing them.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------|------------------|--|
| SID | NUMBER | Session number that is accessing an object |
| OWNER | VARCHAR2(64) | Owner of the object |
| OBJECT | VARCHAR2(1000) | Name of the object |
| TYPE | VARCHAR2(24) | Type identifier for the object |

V\$ACTIVE_INSTANCES

This view maps instance names to instance numbers for all instances that have the database currently mounted.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-------------|----------------|---------------------|
| INST_NUMBER | NUMBER | The instance number |
| INST_NAME | VARCHAR2(60) | The instance name |

V\$ACTIVE_SESS_POOL_MTH

This view displays all available active session pool resource allocation methods.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------|----------------|--|
| NAME | VARCHAR2(40) | Name of the active session pool resource allocation method |

V\$AQ

This view describes statistics for the queues in the database.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|---------|----------|--|
| QID | NUMBER | The unique queue identifier |
| WAITING | NUMBER | Number of messages in the queue in the state 'WAITING' |
| READY | NUMBER | Number of messages in the queue in the state 'READY' |
| EXPIRED | NUMBER | Number of messages in the queue the state 'EXPIRED' |

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------------|----------|--|
| TOTAL_WAIT | NUMBER | Total wait time of all 'READY' messages in the queue |
| AVERAGE_WAIT | NUMBER | Average wait time of 'READY' messages in the queue |

V\$ARCHIVE

This view contains information on redo log files in need of archiving. Each row provides information for one thread. This information is also available in V\$LOG. Oracle recommends that you use V\$LOG.

See Also: ["V\\$LOG"](#) on page 3-75

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|---------------|----------------|--|
| GROUP# | NUMBER | Log file group number |
| THREAD# | NUMBER | Log file thread number |
| SEQUENCE# | NUMBER | Log file sequence number |
| ISCURRENT | VARCHAR2 (3) | This is the current online redo log |
| CURRENT | VARCHAR2 (3) | This column is obsolete and maintained only for compatibility reasons. The value of this column is always equal to the value in ISCURRENT. |
| FIRST_CHANGE# | NUMBER | First SCN stored in the current log |

V\$ARCHIVE_DEST

This view describes, for the current instance, all the archive log destinations, their current value, mode, and status.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|---------|----------------|--|
| DEST_ID | NUMBER | ID (1-5) |
| STATUS | VARCHAR2 (9) | Status: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ VALID - initialized and available ■ INACTIVE - no destination information ■ DEFERRED - manually disabled by the user ■ ERROR - error during open or copy ■ DISABLED - disabled after error ■ BAD PARAM - parameter has errors |

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|---------------|------------------|--|
| BINDING | VARCHAR2 (9) | Requirement for success: <ul style="list-style-type: none">■ MANDATORY- must succeed■ OPTIONAL - need not succeed (depends on LOG_ARCHIVE_MIS_SUCCEED_DEST) |
| NAME_SPACE | VARCHAR2 (7) | Definition scope: <ul style="list-style-type: none">■ SYSTEM - system definition■ SESSION - session definition |
| TARGET | VARCHAR2 (7) | Target: <ul style="list-style-type: none">■ PRIMARY- copy to primary■ STANDBY- copy to standby |
| REOPEN_SECS | NUMBER | Retry time in seconds (after error) |
| DESTINATION | VARCHAR2 (256) | Destination text string (translated primary location or standby service name) |
| FAIL_DATE | DATE | Date and time of any last error |
| FAIL_SEQUENCE | NUMBER | Any log sequence number at last error |
| FAIL_BLOCK | NUMBER | Any block number at last error |
| ERROR | VARCHAR2 (256) | Text of any last error |

See Also:

- ["LOG_ARCHIVE_DEST"](#) on page 1-74 and ["LOG_ARCHIVE_DEST_n"](#) on page 1-75
- ["LOG_ARCHIVE_DUPLEX_DEST"](#) on page 1-78 and ["LOG_ARCHIVE_DEST_STATE_n"](#) on page 1-77
- ["STANDBY_ARCHIVE_DEST"](#) on page 1-162
- ["LOG_ARCHIVE_MIN_SUCCEED_DEST"](#) on page 1-81

V\$ARCHIVE_PROCESSES

This view provides information about the state of the various ARCH processes for the instance.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------------|--------------|--|
| PROCESS | NUMBER | The identifier for the ARCH process for the instance, numbered from 0-9 |
| STATUS | VARCHAR2(10) | The status of the ARCH process, displayed as a keyword. Possible values are: STOPPED, SCHEDULED, STARTING, ACTIVE, STOPPING, and TERMINATED. |
| LOG_SEQUENCE | NUMBER | This is the online redo log sequence number currently being archived, if STATE="BUSY" |
| STATE | VARCHAR2(4) | This is the current state of the ARCH process, displayed as a keyword. Possible keywords are IDLE or BUSY. |

V\$ARCHIVED_LOG

This view displays archived log information from the control file, including archive log names. An archive log record is inserted after the online redo log is successfully archived or cleared (name column is NULL if the log was cleared). If the log is archived twice, there will be two archived log records with the same THREAD#, SEQUENCE#, and FIRST_CHANGE#, but with a different name. An archive log record is also inserted when an archive log is restored from a backup set or a copy and whenever a copy of a log is made with the RMAN COPY command.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-------------------|---------------|--|
| RECID | NUMBER | Archived log record ID |
| STAMP | NUMBER | Archived log record stamp |
| NAME | VARCHAR2(513) | Archived log file name. If set to NULL, the log file was cleared before it was archived. |
| DEST_ID | NUMBER | The original destination from which the archivelog was generated. Value is 0 if the destination identifier is not available. |
| THREAD# | NUMBER | Redo thread number |
| SEQUENCE# | NUMBER | Redo log sequence number |
| RESETLOGS_CHANGE# | NUMBER | Resetlogs change# of the database when this log was written |
| RESETLOGS_TIME | DATE | Resetlogs time of the database when this log was written |
| FIRST_CHANGE# | NUMBER | First change# in the archived log |
| FIRST_TIME | DATE | Timestamp of the first change |
| NEXT_CHANGE# | NUMBER | First change in the next log |
| NEXT_TIME | DATE | Timestamp of the next change |
| BLOCKS | NUMBER | Size of the archived log in blocks |

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|------------------|----------------|---|
| BLOCK_SIZE | NUMBER | Redo log block size. This is the logical block size of the archived log, which is the same as the logical block size of the online log from which this archived log was copied. The online log logical block size is a platform-specific value that is not adjustable by the user. |
| CREATOR | VARCHAR2 (7) | Identifies the creator of the archivelog (ARCH, FRDF, or RMAN) |
| REGISTRAR | VARCHAR2 (7) | Identifies the registrar of the entry (RFS, ARCH, FRGD, RMAN, or SRMN, which is RMAN at standby) |
| STANDBY_DEST | VARCHAR2 (3) | (YES NO) Indicates if the entry is an archivelog destination |
| ARCHIVED | VARCHAR2 (3) | Indicates that the online redo log was archived (YES) or that RMAN only inspected the log and created a record for future application of redo logs during recovery. See Also: <i>Oracle9i Recovery Manager User's Guide</i> . |
| APPLIED | VARCHAR2 (3) | (YES NO) Indicates whether or not the archivelog has been applied to its corresponding standby database. YES indicates it has been applied; NO indicates it has not. The value is always NO for local destinations. This column is meaningful at the physical standby site for the ARCHIVED_LOG entries with REGISTRAR='RFS' (which means this log is shipped from the primary to the standby database). If REGISTRAR='RFS' and APPLIED is NO, then the log has arrived at the standby but has not yet been applied. If REGISTRAR='RFS' and APPLIED is YES, the log has arrived and been applied at the standby database. You can use this field to identify archivelogs that can be backed up and removed from disk. |
| DELETED | VARCHAR2 (3) | Specifies (YES NO) whether an RMAN DELETE command has physically deleted the archived log file from disk, as well as logically removing it from the control file of the target database and from the recovery catalog. |
| STATUS | VARCHAR2 (1) | The status of this archived log. Possible values are: A - Available D - Deleted U - Unavailable X - Expired |
| COMPLETION_TIME | DATE | Time when the archiving completed |
| DICTIONARY_BEGIN | VARCHAR2 (3) | (YES NO) Indicates whether or not this log contains the start of a LogMiner dictionary. This column also appears in the RC_ARCHIVED_LOG view. |
| DICTIONARY_END | VARCHAR2 (3) | (YES NO) Indicates whether or not this log contains the end of a LogMiner dictionary. This column also appears in the RC_ARCHIVED_LOG view. |

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|------------------|----------|--|
| BACKUP_COUNT | NUMBER | Indicates the number of times this file has been backed up. Values range from 0-15. If the file has been backed up more than 15 times, the value remains 15. |
| ARCHIVAL_THREAD# | NUMBER | |

V\$BACKUP

This view displays the backup status of all online datafiles.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|---------|--------------|--|
| FILE# | NUMBER | File identifier |
| STATUS | VARCHAR2(18) | File status: NOT ACTIVE, ACTIVE (backup in progress), OFFLINE NORMAL, or description of an error |
| CHANGE# | NUMBER | System change number when backup started |
| TIME | DATE | Time the backup started |

V\$BACKUP_ASYNC_IO

This view displays performance information about ongoing and recently completed RMAN backups and restores. For each backup, it contains one row for each input datafile, one row for the aggregate total performance of all datafiles, and one row for the output backup piece. This data is not stored persistently, and is not preserved when the instance is re-started.

See Also: *Oracle9i Database Performance Guide and Reference* for information on how to use this table to tune backup performance

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-------------|---------------|--|
| SID | NUMBER | The Oracle SID of the session doing the backup or restore |
| SERIAL | NUMBER | The use count for the SID doing the backup or restore |
| USE_COUNT | NUMBER | A counter that can be used to identify rows from different backup sets |
| DEVICE_TYPE | VARCHAR2(17) | The device type where the file is located |
| TYPE | VARCHAR2(9) | INPUT, OUTPUT, or AGGREGATE |
| STATUS | VARCHAR2(11) | NOT STARTED, IN PROGRESS, or FINISHED |
| FILENAME | VARCHAR2(513) | The name of the backup file being read or written |

V\$BACKUP_CORRUPTION

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------------------------------|----------|---|
| SET_COUNT | NUMBER | The set count of the backup set being read or written |
| SET_STAMP | NUMBER | The set stamp of the backup set being read or written |
| BUFFER_SIZE | NUMBER | The size of the buffers being used to read/write this file, in bytes |
| BUFFER_COUNT | NUMBER | The number of buffers being used to read/write this file |
| TOTAL_BYTES | NUMBER | The total number of bytes that will be read or written for this file, if known. If not known, this column will be null |
| OPEN_TIME | DATE | The time this file was opened. If TYPE='AGGREGATE', then this is the time that the first file in the aggregate was opened |
| CLOSE_TIME | DATE | The time this file was closed. If TYPE='AGGREGATE', then this is the time that the last file in the aggregate was closed |
| ELAPSED_TIME | NUMBER | The time, in 100ths of seconds, that the file was open |
| MAXOPENFILES | NUMBER | The number of concurrently open DISK files. This value is only present in rows where TYPE='AGGREGATE'. |
| BYTES | NUMBER | The number of bytes read or written so far |
| EFFECTIVE_BYTES_ PER_SECOND | NUMBER | The I/O rate that was achieved with this device during this backup |
| IO_COUNT | NUMBER | The number of I/Os that were performed to this file |
| READY | NUMBER | The number of asynchronous requests for which a buffer was immediately ready for use |
| SHORT_WAITS | NUMBER | The number of times that a buffer was not immediately available, but a buffer became available after doing a non-blocking poll for I/O completion |
| SHORT_WAIT_TIME_ TOTAL | NUMBER | The total time, in 100ths of seconds, taken by non-blocking polls for I/O completion |
| SHORT_WAIT_TIME_MAX | NUMBER | The maximum time taken for a non-blocking poll for I/O completion, in 100ths of seconds |
| LONG_WAITS | NUMBER | The number of times that a buffer was not immediately available, and only became available after a blocking wait was issued |
| LONG_WAIT_TIME_ TOTAL | NUMBER | The total time, in 100ths of seconds, taken by blocking waits for I/O completion |
| LONG_WAIT_TIME_MAX | NUMBER | The maximum time taken for a blocking wait for I/O completion, in 100ths of seconds |

V\$BACKUP_CORRUPTION

This view displays information about corruptions in datafile backups from the control file. Note that corruptions are not tolerated in the control file and archived log backups.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------------------|----------------|---|
| RECID | NUMBER | Backup corruption record ID |
| STAMP | NUMBER | Backup corruption record stamp |
| SET_STAMP | NUMBER | Backup set stamp |
| SET_COUNT | NUMBER | Backup set count |
| PIECE# | NUMBER | Backup piece number |
| FILE# | NUMBER | Datafile number |
| BLOCK# | NUMBER | First block of the corrupted range |
| BLOCKS | NUMBER | Number of contiguous blocks in the corrupted range |
| CORRUPTION_CHANGE# | NUMBER | Change# at which the logical corruption was detected. Set to 0 to indicate media corruption. |
| MARKED_CORRUPT | VARCHAR2 (3) | (YES NO) If set to YES the blocks were not marked corrupted in the datafile, but were detected and marked as corrupted while making the datafile backup |

V\$BACKUP_DATAFILE

This view displays backup datafile and backup control file information from the control file.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|---------------------|----------|---|
| RECID | NUMBER | Backup datafile record ID |
| STAMP | NUMBER | Backup datafile record stamp |
| SET_STAMP | NUMBER | Backup set stamp |
| SET_COUNT | NUMBER | Backup set count |
| FILE# | NUMBER | Datafile number; set to 0 for control file |
| CREATION_CHANGE# | NUMBER | Creation change of the datafile |
| CREATION_TIME | DATE | Creation timestamp of the datafile |
| RESETLOGS_CHANGE# | NUMBER | Resetlogs change# of the datafile when it was backed up |
| RESETLOGS_TIME | DATE | Resetlogs timestamp of the datafile when it was backed up |
| INCREMENTAL_LEVEL | NUMBER | (0-4) incremental backup level |
| INCREMENTAL_CHANGE# | NUMBER | All blocks changed after incremental change# is included in this backup; set to 0 for a full backup |
| CHECKPOINT_CHANGE# | NUMBER | All changes up to checkpoint change# are included in this backup |
| CHECKPOINT_TIME | DATE | Timestamp of the checkpoint |

V\$BACKUP_DEVICE

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|------------------------|----------------|--|
| ABSOLUTE_FUZZY_CHANGE# | NUMBER | Highest change# in this backup |
| MARKED_CORRUPT | NUMBER | Number of blocks marked corrupt |
| MEDIA_CORRUPT | NUMBER | Number of blocks media corrupt |
| LOGICALLY_CORRUPT | NUMBER | Number of blocks logically corrupt |
| DATAFILE_BLOCKS | NUMBER | Size of the datafile in blocks at backup time. This value is also the number of blocks taken by the datafile restarted from this backup. |
| BLOCKS | NUMBER | Size of the backup datafile in blocks. Unused blocks are not copied to the backup. |
| BLOCK_SIZE | NUMBER | Block size |
| OLDEST_OFFLINE_RANGE | NUMBER | The RECID of the oldest offline range record in this backup control file. 0 for datafile backups. |
| COMPLETION_TIME | DATE | The time completed |
| CONTROLFILE_TYPE | VARCHAR2 (1) | B indicates normal copies S indicates standby copies |

V\$BACKUP_DEVICE

This view displays information about supported backup devices. If a device type does not support named devices, then one row with the device type and a null device name is returned for that device type. If a device type supports named devices then one row is returned for each available device of that type. The special device type DISK is not returned by this view because it is always available.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-------------|------------------|---------------------------|
| DEVICE_TYPE | VARCHAR2 (17) | Type of the backup device |
| DEVICE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (512) | Name of the backup device |

V\$BACKUP_PIECE

This view displays information about backup pieces from the control file. Each backup set consist of one or more backup pieces.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------|----------|---------------------------|
| RECID | NUMBER | Backup piece record ID |
| STAMP | NUMBER | Backup piece record stamp |

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-----------------|------------------|---|
| SET_STAMP | NUMBER | Backup set stamp |
| SET_COUNT | NUMBER | Backup set count |
| PIECE# | NUMBER | Backup piece number (1-N) |
| COPY# | NUMBER | Indicates the copy number for backup pieces created with duplex enabled. 1 if the backup piece is not duplexed. |
| DEVICE_TYPE | VARCHAR2 (17) | Type of the device on which the backup piece resides. Set to DISK for backup sets on disk. See Also: V\$BACKUP_DEVICE |
| HANDLE | VARCHAR2 (513) | Backup piece handle identifies the backup piece on restore |
| COMMENTS | VARCHAR2 (81) | Comment returned by the operating system or storage subsystem. Set to NULL for backup pieces on disk. This value is informational only; not needed for restore. |
| MEDIA | VARCHAR2 (65) | Name of the media on which the backup piece resides. This value is informational only; not needed for restore. |
| MEDIA_POOL | NUMBER | The media pool in which the copy resides. This is the same value that was entered in the POOL operand of the Recovery Manager backup command. |
| CONCUR | VARCHAR2 (3) | (YES NO) Indicates whether the piece on a media that can be accessed concurrently |
| TAG | VARCHAR2 (32) | Backup piece tag. The tag is specified at backup set level, but stored at piece level. |
| STATUS | VARCHAR2 (1) | Indicates the status of the piece: A (available), D (deleted), or X (expired) |
| START_TIME | DATE | The starting time |
| COMPLETION_TIME | DATE | The completion time |
| ELAPSED_SECONDS | NUMBER | The number of elapsed seconds |
| DELETED | VARCHAR2 (3) | (YES/NO) NO indicates that the file still exists. YES indicates the file no longer exists because it has been deleted. |

V\$BACKUP_REDOLOG

This view displays information about archived logs in backup sets from the control file. Note that online redo logs cannot be backed up directly; they must be archived first to disk and then backed up. An archive log backup set can contain one or more archived logs.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------|----------|---|
| RECID | NUMBER | Record ID for this row; it is an integer that identifies this row |
| STAMP | NUMBER | Timestamp used with RECID to uniquely identify this row |

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-------------------|----------|--|
| SET_STAMP | NUMBER | One of the foreign keys for the row of the V\$BACKUP_SET table that identifies this backup set |
| SET_COUNT | NUMBER | One of the foreign keys for the row of the V\$BACKUP_SET table that identifies this backup set |
| THREAD# | NUMBER | Thread number for the log |
| SEQUENCE# | NUMBER | Log sequence number |
| RESETLOGS_CHANGE# | NUMBER | Change number of the last resetlogs before the log was written |
| RESETLOGS_TIME | DATE | Change time of the last resetlogs before the log was written. These will be the same for all logs in a backup set. |
| FIRST_CHANGE# | NUMBER | SCN when the log was switched into. The redo in the log is at this SCN and greater. |
| FIRST_TIME | DATE | Time allocated when the log was switched into |
| NEXT_CHANGE# | NUMBER | SCN when the next log in this thread was switched into. The redo in the log is below this SCN. |
| NEXT_TIME | DATE | Time when the next log in this thread was switched into |
| BLOCKS | NUMBER | Size of the log in logical blocks including the header block |
| BLOCK_SIZE | NUMBER | Size of the log blocks in bytes |

V\$BACKUP_SET

This view displays backup set information from the control file. A backup set record is inserted after the backup set is successfully completed.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-----------|----------|---|
| RECID | NUMBER | Backup set record ID |
| STAMP | NUMBER | Backup set record timestamp |
| SET_STAMP | NUMBER | Backup set stamp. The backup set stamp and count uniquely identify the backup set. Primary key for the V\$BACKUP_SET table, and the foreign key for the following tables: V\$BACKUP_PIECE, V\$BACKUP_DATAFILE, V\$BACKUP_REDOLOG, V\$BACKUP_CORRUPTION |
| SET_COUNT | NUMBER | Backup set count. The backup set count is incremented by one every time a new backup set is started (if the backup set is never completed the number is "lost"). If the control file is recreated then the count is reset to 1. Therefore the count must be used with the stamp to uniquely identify a backup set. Primary key for the V\$BACKUP_SET table, and the foreign key for the following tables: V\$BACKUP_PIECE, V\$BACKUP_DATAFILE, V\$BACKUP_REDOLOG, V\$BACKUP_CORRUPTION |

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|----------------------|-----------------|--|
| BACKUP_TYPE | VARCHAR2 (1) | Type of files that are in this backup. If the backup contains archived redo logs, the value is L. If this is a datafile full backup, the value is D. If this is an incremental backup, the value is I. |
| CONTROLFILE_INCLUDED | VARCHAR2 (3) | Set to YES if there is a control file included in this backup set, otherwise set to NO |
| INCREMENTAL_LEVEL | NUMBER | Location where this backup set fits into the database's backup strategy. Set to zero for full datafile backups, nonzero for incremental datafile backups, and NULL for archivelog backups. |
| PIECES | NUMBER | Number of distinct backup pieces in the backup set |
| START_TIME | DATE | The starting time |
| COMPLETION_TIME | DATE | The time that this backup set completed |
| ELAPSED_SECONDS | NUMBER | The number of elapsed seconds |
| BLOCK_SIZE | NUMBER | Block size of the backup set |
| INPUT_FILE_SCAN_ONLY | VARCHAR2 (3) | YES indicates no actual backup is performed, but the datafiles are read. NO indicates a normal backup is performed. |
| KEEP | VARCHAR2 (3) | (YES/NO) Indicates whether or not this backup set has a retention policy that is different than the value for the configure retention policy |
| KEEP_UNTIL | DATE | If KEEP_UNTIL_TIME is specified, this is the date after which the backup becomes obsolete. If this column is null, then the backup never expires. |
| KEEP_OPTIONS | VARCHAR2 (10) | Lists additional retention options for this backup set. Possible values are: LOGS - The logs need to recover this backup are kept NOLOGS - The logs needed to recover this backup will not be kept |

V\$BACKUP_SYNC_IO

This view displays performance information about ongoing and recently completed RMAN backups and restores. For each backup, it contains one row for each input datafile, one row for the aggregate total performance of all datafiles, and one row for the output backup piece. This data is not stored persistently, and is not preserved when the instance is re-started.

See Also: *Oracle9i Database Performance Guide and Reference* for information on how to use this table to tune backup performance

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------|----------|---|
| SID | NUMBER | The Oracle SID of the session doing the backup or restore |
| SERIAL | NUMBER | The use count for the SID doing the backup or restore |

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|----------------------------|---------------|--|
| USE_COUNT | NUMBER | A counter that can be used to identify rows from different backup sets |
| DEVICE_TYPE | VARCHAR2(17) | The device type where the file is located |
| TYPE | VARCHAR2(9) | INPUT, OUTPUT, or AGGREGATE |
| STATUS | VARCHAR2(11) | NOT STARTED, IN PROGRESS, or FINISHED |
| FILENAME | VARCHAR2(513) | The name of the backup file being read or written |
| SET_COUNT | NUMBER | The set count of the backup set being read or written |
| SET_STAMP | NUMBER | The set stamp of the backup set being read or written |
| BUFFER_SIZE | NUMBER | The size of the buffers being used to read/write this file, in bytes |
| BUFFER_COUNT | NUMBER | The number of buffers being used to read/write this file |
| TOTAL_BYTES | NUMBER | The total number of bytes that will be read or written for this file, if known. If not known, this column will be null. |
| OPEN_TIME | DATE | The time this file was opened. If TYPE='AGGREGATE', then this is the time that the first file in the aggregate was opened. |
| CLOSE_TIME | DATE | The time this file was closed. If TYPE='AGGREGATE', then this is the time that the last file in the aggregate was closed. |
| ELAPSED_TIME | NUMBER | The time, in 100ths of seconds, that the file was open |
| MAXOPENFILES | NUMBER | The number of concurrently open DISK files. This value is only present in rows where TYPE='AGGREGATE'. |
| BYTES | NUMBER | The number of bytes read or written so far |
| EFFECTIVE_BYTES_PER_SECOND | NUMBER | The I/O rate that was achieved with this device during this backup |
| IO_COUNT | NUMBER | The number of I/Os that were performed to this file |
| IO_TIME_TOTAL | NUMBER | The total time, in 100ths of seconds, taken to do I/O for this file |
| IO_TIME_MAX | NUMBER | The maximum time taken for a single I/O request |
| DISCRETE_BYTES_PER_SECOND | NUMBER | The average transfer rate for this file |

V\$BGPROCESS

This view describes the background processes.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-------------|-----------|---------------------------------------|
| PADDR | RAW (4) | Address of the process state object |
| NAME | VARCHAR2 | Name of this background process |
| DESCRIPTION | VARCHAR2 | Description of the background process |
| ERROR | NUMBER | Error encountered |

V\$BH

This is an Oracle9i Real Application Clusters view. This view gives the status and number of pings for every buffer in the SGA.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------------------|----------------|--|
| FILE# | NUMBER | Datafile identifier number (to find filename, query DBA_DATA_FILES or V\$DBFILES) |
| BLOCK# | NUMBER | Block number |
| CLASS# | NUMBER | The class number |
| STATUS | VARCHAR2 (1) | Status of the buffer: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ FREE - not currently in use ■ XCUR - exclusive ■ SCUR - shared current ■ CR - consistent read ■ READ - being read from disk ■ MREC - in media recovery mode ■ IREC - in instance recovery mode |
| XNC | NUMBER | Number of PCM x to null lock conversions due to contention with another instance. This column is obsolete but is retained for historical compatibility. |
| LOCK_ELEMENT_ADDR | RAW (4) | The address of the lock element that contains the PCM lock that is covering the buffer. If more than one buffer has the same address, then these buffers are covered by the same PCM lock. |
| LOCK_ELEMENT_NAME | NUMBER | The address of the lock element that contains the PCM lock that is covering the buffer. If more than one buffer has the same address, then these buffers are covered by the same PCM lock. |
| LOCK_ELEMENT_CLASS | NUMBER | The address of the lock element that contains the PCM lock that is covering the buffer. If more than one buffer has the same address, then these buffers are covered by the same PCM lock. |
| FORCED_READS | NUMBER | Number of times the block had to be made re-read from disk because another instance had forced it out of this instance's cache by requesting the PCM lock on this block in lock mode. |

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|---------------|-------------|--|
| FORCED_WRITES | NUMBER | Number of times DBWR had to write this block to disk because this instance had dirtied the block and another instance had requested the PCM lock on the block in conflicting mode. |
| DIRTY | VARCHAR2(1) | Y - block modified |
| TEMP | VARCHAR2(1) | Y - temporary block |
| PING | VARCHAR2(1) | Y - block pinged |
| STALE | VARCHAR2(1) | Y - block is stale |
| DIRECT | VARCHAR2(1) | Y - direct block |
| NEW | VARCHAR2(1) | Always set to N. This column is obsolete but is retained for historical compatibility. |
| OBJD | NUMBER | Database object number of the block that the buffer represents |
| TS# | NUMBER | Tablespace number of block |

See Also: *Oracle9i Real Application Clusters Concepts*

V\$BSP

This view displays statistics on the block server background processes (BSP_n) used in cache fusion.

Note: This view contains internal diagnostic information for use by Oracle Support Services. It is subject to change without notice.

See Also: *Oracle9i Real Application Clusters Concepts* for more information on these processes and on cache fusion

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|------------------|----------|--|
| CR_REQUESTS | NUMBER | Number of requests received for a version of a block at a specific SCN ("CR" refers to "consistent-read") |
| CURRENT_REQUESTS | NUMBER | Number of requests for the most recent (current) version of a block CR_REQUESTS + CURRENT_REQUESTS = total number of requests handled by the BSP _n processes |
| DATA_REQUESTS | NUMBER | Number of current or CR requests for data blocks |
| UNDO_REQUESTS | NUMBER | Number of CR requests for undo blocks |

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|------------------------|----------|--|
| TX_REQUESTS | NUMBER | Number of CR requests for undo segment header blocks DATA_REQUESTS + UNDO_REQUESTS + TX_REQUESTS = total number of requests handled by the BSPn processes |
| CURRENT_RESULTS | NUMBER | Number of requests for which no changes were rolled out of the block returned to the requesting instance |
| PRIVATE_RESULTS | NUMBER | Number of requests for which changes were rolled out of the block returned to the requesting instance, and only the requesting transaction can use the resulting CR block |
| ZERO_RESULTS | NUMBER | Number of requests for which changes were rolled out of the block returned to the requesting instance. Only zero-XID transactions can use the block. |
| DISK_READ_RESULTS | NUMBER | Number of requests for which the requesting instance had to read the requested block from disk |
| FAIL_RESULTS | NUMBER | Number of requests that failed; the requesting transaction must reissue the request |
| FAIRNESS_DOWN_CONVERTS | NUMBER | Number of times an instance receiving a request has down-converted an X lock on a block because it was not modifying the block |
| FAIRNESS_CLEARS | NUMBER | Number of times the "fairness counter" was cleared. This counter tracks the number of times a block was modified after it was served. |
| FREE_LOCK_ELEMENTS | NUMBER | Number of times a request was received from another instance and the X lock had no buffers |
| FLUSHES | NUMBER | Number of times the log has been flushed by a BSPn process |
| LIGHT_WORKS | NUMBER | Number of times the light-work rule was evoked. This rule prevents the BSP back ground process from going to disk while responding to CR requests for data, undo, or undo segment header blocks. This rule can prevent the BSP process from completing its response to the CR request. |

V\$BUFFER_POOL

This view displays information about all buffer pools available for the instance. The "sets" pertain to the number of LRU latch sets.

See Also: ["DB_BLOCK_SIZE"](#) on page 1-36

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------|-----------------|---|
| ID | NUMBER | Buffer pool ID number |
| NAME | VARCHAR2 (20) | Buffer pool name. Possible values: DEFAULT, KEEP, RECYCLE. Note: Currently, KEEP and RECYCLE pools only exist for the standard block size. All non-standard block size pools are DEFAULT. |

V\$BUFFER_POOL_STATISTICS

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|----------------|--------------|---|
| BLOCK_SIZE | NUMBER | Block size in bytes for buffers in this pool. Possible values: the standard block size, the power of 2 non-standard block sizes, 2048, 4096, 8192, 16384, 32768. |
| RESIZE_STATE | VARCHAR2(10) | Current state of the resize operation STATIC - not being resized ALLOCATING - memory is being allocated (can be cancelled by the user) ACTIVATING - new buffers are being created (user cannot cancel) SHRINKING - buffers are being deleted (can be cancelled by the user) |
| CURRENT_SIZE | NUMBER | Present size of the sub-cache in megabytes |
| BUFFERS | NUMBER | Current instantaneous number of buffers |
| TARGET_SIZE | NUMBER | If a resize is in progress (state is not STATIC), records new target size in megabytes. If the pool is STATIC, the value in this column is the same as the current size of the pool. |
| TARGET_BUFFERS | NUMBER | If a resize is in progress, records new target size in terms of buffers. Otherwise, the value in this column is the same as the current number of buffers. |
| PREV_SIZE | NUMBER | Previous buffer pool size. If the buffer pool has never been resized, the previous size is zero. |
| PREV_BUFFERS | NUMBER | Previous number of buffers in the buffer pool. Value is zero if the buffer pool has never been resized. |
| LO_BNUM | NUMBER | Obsolete column |
| HI_BNUM | NUMBER | Obsolete column |
| LO_SETID | NUMBER | Obsolete column |
| HI_SETID | NUMBER | Obsolete column |
| SET_COUNT | NUMBER | Obsolete column |

V\$BUFFER_POOL_STATISTICS

V\$BUFFER_POOL_STATISTICS displays information about all buffer pools available for the instance. The "sets" pertain to the number of LRU latch sets.

See Also: ["DB_CACHE_SIZE"](#) on page 1-38

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-----------|--------------|------------------------------|
| ID | NUMBER | Buffer pool ID number |
| NAME | VARCHAR2(20) | Buffer pool name |
| SET_MSIZE | NUMBER | Buffer pool maximum set size |

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-------------------------|----------|---------------------------------------|
| CNUM_REPL | NUMBER | Number of buffers on replacement list |
| CNUM_WRITE | NUMBER | Number of buffers on write list |
| CNUM_SET | NUMBER | Number of buffers in set |
| BUF_GOT | NUMBER | Number of buffers gotten by the set |
| SUM_WRITE | NUMBER | Number of buffers written by the set |
| SUM_SCAN | NUMBER | Number of buffers scanned in the set |
| FREE_BUFFER_WAIT | NUMBER | Free buffer wait statistic |
| WRITE_COMPLETE_WAIT | NUMBER | Write complete wait statistic |
| BUFFER_BUSY_WAIT | NUMBER | Buffer busy wait statistic |
| FREE_BUFFER_INSPECTED | NUMBER | Free buffer inspected statistic |
| DIRTY_BUFFERS_INSPECTED | NUMBER | Dirty buffers inspected statistic |
| DB_BLOCK_CHANGE | NUMBER | Database blocks changed statistic |
| DB_BLOCK_GETS | NUMBER | Database blocks gotten statistic |
| CONSISTENT_GETS | NUMBER | Consistent gets statistic |
| PHYSICAL_READS | NUMBER | Physical reads statistic |
| PHYSICAL_WRITES | NUMBER | Physical writes statistic |

V\$CACHE

This is an Oracle9i Real Application Clusters view. This view contains information from the block header of each block in the SGA of the current instance as related to particular database objects.

See Also: *Oracle9i Real Application Clusters Concepts*

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------|----------|---|
| FILE# | NUMBER | Datafile identifier number (to find filename, query DBA_DATA_FILES or V\$DBFILES) |
| BLOCK# | NUMBER | Block number |
| CLASS# | NUMBER | Class number |

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-------------------|-----------------|--|
| STATUS | VARCHAR2 (1) | Status of block: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ FREE - not currently in use ■ XCUR - exclusive ■ SCUR - shared current ■ CR - consistent read ■ READ - being read from disk ■ MREC - in media recovery mode ■ IREC - in instance recovery mode |
| XNC | NUMBER | Number of PCM x to null lock conversions due to contention with another instance. This column is obsolete but is retained for historical compatibility. |
| FORCED_READS | NUMBER | The forced reads |
| FORCED_WRITES | NUMBER | The forced writes |
| NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | Name of the database object containing the block |
| PARTITION_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | The name of the partition; NULL for non-partitioned objects |
| KIND | VARCHAR2 (12) | Type of database object: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ 1: index ■ 2: table ■ 3: cluster ■ 4: view ■ 5: synonym ■ 6: sequence ■ 7: procedure ■ 8: function ■ 9: package ■ 10: nonexistent ■ 11: package body ■ 12: trigger ■ 13: type ■ 14: type body ■ 19: table partition ■ 20: index partition ■ 21: LOB ■ 22: library ■ Null: Unknown |
| OWNER# | NUMBER | Owner number |
| LOCK_ELEMENT_ADDR | RAW (4) | The address of the lock element that contains the PCM lock that is covering the buffer. If more than one buffer has the same address, then these buffers are covered by the same PCM lock. |
| LOCK_ELEMENT_NAME | NUMBER | The address of the lock element that contains the PCM lock that is covering the buffer. If more than one buffer has the same address, then these buffers are covered by the same PCM lock. |

V\$CACHE_LOCK

This is an Oracle9i Real Application Clusters view. V\$CACHE_LOCK is similar to V\$CACHE, except for the platform specific lock manager identifiers. This information may be useful if the platform- specific lock manager provides tools for monitoring the PCM lock operations that are occurring. For example, first query to find the lock element address using `INDX` and `CLASS`, then query `V$BH` to find the buffers that are covered by the lock.

See Also:

- *Oracle9i Real Application Clusters Concepts*
- ["V\\$CACHE"](#) on page 3-21

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------|-----------------|---|
| FILE# | NUMBER | Datafile identifier number (to find filename, query <code>DBA_DATA_FILES</code> or <code>V\$DBFILES</code>) |
| BLOCK# | NUMBER | Block number |
| STATUS | VARCHAR2 (4) | Status of block: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ FREE - not currently in use ■ XCUR - exclusive ■ SCUR - shared current ■ CR - consistent read ■ READ - being read from disk ■ MREC - in media recovery mode ■ IREC - in instance recovery mode |
| XNC | NUMBER | Number of parallel cache management (PCM) lock conversions due to contention with another instance |
| NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | Name of the database object containing the block |
| KIND | VARCHAR2 (12) | Type of database object: |

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-------------------|-----------|---|
| | | <div><div><div>■ 1: index</div><div>■ 2: table</div><div>■ 3: cluster</div><div>■ 4: view</div><div>■ 5: synonym</div><div>■ 6: sequence</div><div>■ 7: procedure</div><div>■ 8: function</div><div>■ 9: package</div><div>■ 10: nonexistent</div></div><div><div>■ 11: package body</div><div>■ 12: trigger</div><div>■ 13: type</div><div>■ 14: type body</div><div>■ 19: table partition</div><div>■ 20: index partition</div><div>■ 21: LOB</div><div>■ 22: library</div><div>■ Null: Unknown</div></div></div> |
| OWNER# | NUMBER | Owner number |
| LOCK_ELEMENT_ADDR | RAW (4) | The address of the lock element that contains the PCM lock that is covering the buffer. If more than one buffer has the same address, then these buffers are covered by the same PCM lock. |
| LOCK_ELEMENT_NAME | NUMBER | The address of the lock element that contains the PCM lock that is covering the buffer. If more than one buffer has the same address, then these buffers are covered by the same PCM lock. |
| FORCED_READS | NUMBER | Number of times the block had to be made re-read from disk because another instance had forced it out of this instance's cache by requesting the PCM lock on this block in lock mode |
| FORCED_WRITES | NUMBER | Number of times DBWR had to write this block to disk because this instance had dirtied the block and another instance had requested the PCM lock on the block in conflicting mode. |
| INDX | NUMBER | Platform-specific lock manager identifier |
| CLASS | NUMBER | Platform-specific lock manager identifier |

V\$CACHE_TRANSFER

This is an Oracle9i Real Application Clusters view. The V\$CACHE_TRANSFER view is identical to the V\$CACHE view but only displays blocks that have been pinged at least once. This view contains information from the block header of each block in the SGA of the current instance as related to particular database objects.

See Also: ["V\\$CACHE"](#) on page 3-21 and *Oracle9i Real Application Clusters Concepts*

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-----------------|-----------------|---|
| FILE# | NUMBER | Datafile identifier number (to find filename, query "DBA_DATA_FILES" on page 2-123 or "V\$DBFILE" on page 3-38) |
| BLOCK# | NUMBER | Block number |
| CLASS# | NUMBER | Class number |
| STATUS | VARCHAR2 (4) | Status of block: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ FREE - not currently in use ■ XCUR - exclusive ■ SCUR - shared current ■ CR - consistent read ■ READ - being read from disk ■ MREC - in media recovery mode ■ IREC - in instance recovery mode |
| XNC | NUMBER | Number of PCM lock conversions due to contention with another instance. This column is obsolete but is retained for historical compatibility. |
| FORCED_READS | NUMBER | Number of times the block had to be reread from disk because another instance had forced it out of this instance's cache by requesting the PCM lock on the block in exclusive mode |
| FORCED_WRITES | NUMBER | Number of times DBWR had to write this block to disk because this instance had used the block and another instance had requested the lock on the block in a conflicting mode |
| NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | Name of the database object containing the block |
| PARTITION_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NULL for non-partitioned objects |
| KIND | VARCHAR2 (15) | Type of database object See Also: Table 3-1 on page 3-72 |
| OWNER# | NUMBER | Owner number |
| GC_ELEMENT_ADDR | RAW (4) | The address of the lock element that contains the PCM lock that is covering the buffer. If more than one buffer has the same address, then these buffers are covered by the same PCM lock. |
| GC_ELEMENT_NAME | NUMBER | The name of the lock that contains the PCM lock that is covering the buffer |

V\$CIRCUIT

This view contains information about virtual circuits, which are user connections to the database through dispatchers and servers.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|---------|-----------|-----------------|
| CIRCUIT | RAW (4) | Circuit address |

V\$CLASS_CACHE_TRANSFER

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------------|-----------------|--|
| DISPATCHER | RAW (4) | Current dispatcher process address |
| SERVER | RAW (4) | Current server process address |
| WAITER | RAW (4) | Address of server process that is waiting for the (currently busy) circuit to become available |
| SADDR | RAW (4) | Address of session bound to the circuit |
| STATUS | VARCHAR2 (16) | Status of the circuit: <ul style="list-style-type: none">■ BREAK - currently interrupted■ EOF - about to be removed■ OUTBOUND - an outward link to a remote database■ NORMAL - normal circuit into the local database |
| QUEUE | VARCHAR2 (16) | Queue the circuit is currently on: <ul style="list-style-type: none">■ COMMON - on the common queue, waiting to be picked up by a server process■ DISPATCHER - waiting for the dispatcher■ SERVER - currently being serviced■ NONE - idle circuit |
| MESSAGE0 | NUMBER | Size in bytes of the messages in the first message buffer |
| MESSAGE1 | NUMBER | Size in bytes of the messages in the second message buffer |
| MESSAGE2 | NUMBER | Size in bytes of the messages in the third message buffer |
| MESSAGE3 | NUMBER | Size in bytes of the messages in the fourth message buffer |
| MESSAGES | NUMBER | Total number of messages that have gone through this circuit |
| BYTES | NUMBER | Total number of bytes that have gone through this circuit |
| BREAKS | NUMBER | Total number of breaks (interruptions) for this circuit |
| PRESENTATION | VARCHAR2 (16) | The presentation protocol used by the client and server |

V\$CLASS_CACHE_TRANSFER

V\$CLASS_CACHE_TRANSFER displays the number of blocks pinged per block class. Use this view to compare contentions for blocks in different classes.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|----------|-----------------|---|
| CLASS | VARCHAR2 (18) | The block class |
| X_2_NULL | NUMBER | Number of lock conversions from Exclusive-to-NULL for all blocks of the specified CLASS |

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-----------------------|----------|---|
| X_2_NULL_FORCED_WRITE | NUMBER | Number of forced writes that occur for blocks of the specified CLASS due to Exclusive-to-NULL conversions |
| X_2_NULL_FORCED_STALE | NUMBER | Number of times a block in the CLASS was made STALE due to Exclusive-to-NULL conversions |
| X_2_S | NUMBER | Number of lock conversions from Exclusive-to-Shared for all blocks of the specified CLASS |
| X_2_S_FORCED_WRITE | NUMBER | Number of forced writes that occur for blocks of the specified CLASS due to Exclusive-to-Shared conversions |
| S_2_NULL | NUMBER | Number of lock conversions from Shared-to-NULL for all blocks of the specified CLASS |
| S_2_NULL_FORCED_STALE | NUMBER | Number of times a block in the CLASS was made STALE due to Shared-to-NULL conversions |
| NULL_2_X | NUMBER | Number of lock conversions from NULL-to-Exclusive for all blocks of the specified CLASS |
| S_2_X | NUMBER | Number of lock conversions from Shared-to-Exclusive for all blocks of the specified CLASS |
| NULL_2_S | NUMBER | Number of lock conversions from NULL-to-Shared for all blocks of the specified CLASS |

V\$CLASS_PING

V\$CLASS_PING displays the number of blocks pinged per block class. Use this view to compare contentions for blocks in different classes.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-----------------------|-----------------|---|
| CLASS | VARCHAR2 (18) | The block class |
| X_2_NULL | NUMBER | Number of lock conversions from Exclusive-to-NULL for all blocks of the specified CLASS |
| X_2_NULL_FORCED_WRITE | NUMBER | Number of forced writes that occur for blocks of the specified CLASS due to Exclusive-to-NULL conversions |
| X_2_NULL_FORCED_STALE | NUMBER | Number of times a block in the CLASS was made STALE due to Exclusive-to-NULL conversions |
| X_2_S | NUMBER | Number of lock conversions from Exclusive-to-Shared for all blocks of the specified CLASS |
| X_2_S_FORCED_WRITE | NUMBER | Number of forced writes that occur for blocks of the specified CLASS due to Exclusive-to-Shared conversions |
| X_2_SXX | NUMBER | Number of lock conversions from Exclusive-to-Sub Shared Exclusive for all blocks of the specified CLASS |

V\$COMPATIBILITY

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-----------------------|----------|---|
| X_2_SXX_FORCED_WRITE | NUMBER | Number of forced writes that occur for blocks of the specified CLASS due to Exclusive-to-Sub Shared Exclusive conversions |
| S_2_NULL | NUMBER | Number of lock conversions from Shared-to-NULL for all blocks of the specified CLASS |
| S_2_NULL_FORCED_STALE | NUMBER | Number of times a block in the CLASS was made STALE due to Shared-to-NULL conversions |
| SS_2_NULL | NUMBER | Number of lock conversions from Sub Shared-to-NULL for all blocks of the specified CLASS |
| NULL_2_X | NUMBER | Number of lock conversions from NULL-to-Exclusive for all blocks of the specified CLASS |
| S_2_X | NUMBER | Number of lock conversions from Shared-to-Exclusive for all blocks of the specified CLASS |
| SSX_2_X | NUMBER | Number of lock conversions from Sub Shared Exclusive-to-Exclusive for all blocks of the specified CLASS |
| NULL_2_S | NUMBER | Number of lock conversions from NULL-to-Shared for all blocks of the specified CLASS |
| NULL_2_SS | NUMBER | Number of lock conversions from NULL-to-Sub Shared for all blocks of the specified CLASS |

V\$COMPATIBILITY

This view displays features in use by the database instance that may prevent downgrading to a previous release. This is the dynamic (SGA) version of this information, and may not reflect features that other instances have used, and may include temporary incompatibilities (like UNDO segments) that will not exist after the database is shut down cleanly.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-------------|--------------|--|
| TYPE_ID | VARCHAR2(8) | Internal feature identifier |
| RELEASE | VARCHAR2(60) | Release in which that feature appeared |
| DESCRIPTION | VARCHAR2(64) | Description of the feature |

V\$COMPATSEG

This view lists the permanent features in use by the database that will prevent moving back to an earlier release.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|---------|--------------|--|
| TYPE_ID | VARCHAR2(8) | Internal feature identifier |
| RELEASE | VARCHAR2(60) | Release in which that feature appeared. The software must be able to interpret data formats added in that release. |
| UPDATED | VARCHAR2(60) | Release that first used the feature |

V\$CONTEXT

This view lists set attributes in the current session.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-----------|----------------|--|
| NAMESPACE | VARCHAR2(30) | The namespace that the attribute is in |
| ATTRIBUTE | VARCHAR2(30) | The name of attribute |
| VALUE | VARCHAR2(4000) | The value of attribute |

V\$CONTROLFILE

This view lists the names of the control files.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------|---------------|---|
| STATUS | VARCHAR2(7) | INVALID if the name cannot be determined, which should not occur. NULL if the name can be determined. |
| NAME | VARCHAR2(257) | The name of the control file |

V\$CONTROLFILE_RECORD_SECTION

This view displays information about the control file record sections.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|---------------|--------------|--|
| TYPE | VARCHAR2(17) | Identifies the type of record section: DATABASE, CKPT PROGRESS, REDO THREAD, REDO LOG, DATAFILE, FILENAME, TABLESPACE, LOG HISTORY, OFFLINE RANGE, ARCHIVED LOG, BACKUP SET, BACKUP PIECE, BACKUP DATAFILE, BACKUP REDOLOG, DATAFILE COPY, BACKUP CORRUPTION, COPY CORRUPTION, DELETED OBJECT, or PROXY COPY |
| RECORD_SIZE | NUMBER | Record size in bytes |
| RECORDS_TOTAL | NUMBER | Number of records allocated for the section |

V\$COPY_CORRUPTION

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------------|----------|---------------------------------------|
| RECORDS_USED | NUMBER | Number of records used in the section |
| FIRST_INDEX | NUMBER | Index (position) of the first record |
| LAST_INDEX | NUMBER | Index of the last record |
| LAST_RECID | NUMBER | Record ID of the last record |

V\$COPY_CORRUPTION

This view displays information about datafile copy corruptions from the control file.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------------------|----------------|---|
| RECID | NUMBER | Copy corruption record ID |
| STAMP | NUMBER | Copy corruption record stamp |
| COPY_RECID | NUMBER | Datafile copy record ID |
| COPY_STAMP | NUMBER | Datafile copy record stamp |
| FILE# | NUMBER | Datafile number |
| BLOCK# | NUMBER | First block of the corrupted range |
| BLOCKS | NUMBER | Number of contiguous blocks in the corrupted range |
| CORRUPTION_CHANGE# | NUMBER | Change# at which the logical corruption was detected. Set to 0 to indicate media corruption. |
| MARKED_CORRUPT | VARCHAR2 (3) | (YES NO) If set to YES the blocks were not marked corrupted in the datafile, but were detected and marked as corrupted while making the datafile copy |

V\$CR_BLOCK_SERVER

This view displays statistics on the block server background processes (BSP n) used in cache fusion.

Note: This view contains internal diagnostic information for use by Oracle Support Services. It is subject to change without notice.

See Also: *Oracle9i Real Application Clusters Concepts* for more information on these processes and on cache fusion

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|------------------------|----------|--|
| CR_REQUESTS | NUMBER | Number of requests received for a version of a block at a specific SCN ("CR" refers to "consistent-read") |
| CURRENT_REQUESTS | NUMBER | Number of requests for the most recent (current) version of a block $CR_REQUESTS + CURRENT_REQUESTS = \text{total number of requests handled by the BSPn processes}$ |
| DATA_REQUESTS | NUMBER | Number of current or CR requests for data blocks |
| UNDO_REQUESTS | NUMBER | Number of CR requests for undo blocks |
| TX_REQUESTS | NUMBER | Number of CR requests for undo segment header blocks $DATA_REQUESTS + UNDO_REQUESTS + TX_REQUESTS = \text{total number of requests handled by the BSPn processes}$ |
| CURRENT_RESULTS | NUMBER | Number of requests for which no changes were rolled out of the block returned to the requesting instance |
| PRIVATE_RESULTS | NUMBER | Number of requests for which changes were rolled out of the block returned to the requesting instance, and only the requesting transaction can use the resulting CR block |
| ZERO_RESULTS | NUMBER | Number of requests for which changes were rolled out of the block returned to the requesting instance. Only zero-XID transactions can use the block. |
| DISK_READ_RESULTS | NUMBER | Number of requests for which the requesting instance had to read the requested block from disk |
| FAIL_RESULTS | NUMBER | Number of requests that failed; the requesting transaction must reissue the request |
| FAIRNESS_DOWN_CONVERTS | NUMBER | Number of times an instance receiving a request has down-converted an X lock on a block because it was not modifying the block |
| FAIRNESS_CLEARS | NUMBER | Number of times the "fairness counter" was cleared. This counter tracks the number of times a block was modified after it was served. |
| FREE_GC_ELEMENTS | NUMBER | Number of times a request was received from another instance and the X lock had no buffers |
| FLUSHES | NUMBER | Number of times the log has been flushed by a BSPn process |
| LIGHT_WORKS | NUMBER | Number of times the light-work rule was evoked. This rule prevents the BSP back ground process from going to disk while responding to CR requests for data, undo, or undo segment header blocks. This rule can prevent the BSP process from completing its response to the CR request. |

V\$DATABASE

This view contains database information from the control file.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-------------------------|-----------------|--|
| DBID | NUMBER | The database ID calculated when database is created and stored in all file headers |
| NAME | VARCHAR2 (9) | Name of the database |
| CREATED | DATE | Creation date |
| RESETLOGS_CHANGE# | NUMBER | Change# at open resetlogs |
| RESETLOGS_TIME | DATE | Timestamp of open resetlogs |
| PRIOR_RESETLOGS_CHANGE# | NUMBER | Change# at prior resetlogs |
| PRIOR_RESETLOGS_TIME | DATE | Timestamp of prior resetlogs |
| LOG_MODE | VARCHAR2 (12) | Archive log mode (NOARCHIVELOG or ARCHIVELOG) |
| CHECKPOINT_CHANGE# | NUMBER | Last SCN checkpointed |
| ARCHIVE_CHANGE# | NUMBER | Last SCN archived |
| CONTROLFILE_TYPE | VARCHAR2 (7) | The type of control file: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ STANDBY - indicates database is in standby mode ■ LOGICAL - indicates the database is a logical standby database (not a physical standby) ■ CLONE - indicates a clone database ■ BACKUP CREATED - indicates database is being recovered using a backup or created control file ■ CURRENT - the control file changes to this type following a standby database activate or database open after recovery |
| CONTROLFILE_CREATED | DATE | Control file creation timestamp |
| CONTROLFILE_SEQUENCE# | NUMBER | Control file sequence number incremented by control file transactions |
| CONTROLFILE_CHANGE# | NUMBER | Last change# in backup control file. Set to NULL if the control file is not a backup. |
| CONTROLFILE_TIME | DATE | Last timestamp in backup control file. Set to NULL if the control file is not a backup. |
| OPEN_RESETLOGS | VARCHAR2 (11) | (NOT ALLOWED ALLOWED REQUIRED) Indicates whether next database open allows or requires the resetlogs option |
| VERSION_TIME | DATE | The version time |
| OPEN_MODE | VARCHAR2 (10) | Open mode information |
| STANDBY_MODE | VARCHAR2 (11) | PROTECTED or UNPROTECTED |
| REMOTE_ARCHIVE | VARCHAR2 (11) | |
| ACTIVATION# | NUMBER | |
| DATABASE_ROLE | VARCHAR2 (16) | |

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------------------|---------------|-------------|
| ARCHIVELOG_CHANGE# | NUMBER | |
| SWITCHOVER_STATUS | VARCHAR2 (18) | |

V\$DATAFILE

This view contains datafile information from the control file.

See Also: ["V\\$DATAFILE_HEADER"](#) on page 3-36, which displays information from datafile headers

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-----------------------|---------------|--|
| FILE# | NUMBER | File identification number |
| CREATION_CHANGE# | NUMBER | Change number at which the datafile was created |
| CREATION_TIME | DATE | Timestamp of the datafile creation |
| TS# | NUMBER | Tablespace number |
| RFILE# | NUMBER | Tablespace relative datafile number |
| STATUS | VARCHAR2 | Type of file (system or user) and its status. Values: OFFLINE, ONLINE, SYSTEM, RECOVER, SYSOFF (an offline file from the SYSTEM tablespace) |
| ENABLED | VARCHAR2 (10) | Describes how accessible the file is from SQL: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ DISABLED - no SQL access allowed ■ READ ONLY - no SQL updates allowed ■ READ WRITE - full access allowed ■ UNKNOWN - should not occur unless the control file is corrupted |
| CHECKPOINT_CHANGE# | NUMBER | SCN at last checkpoint |
| CHECKPOINT_TIME | DATE | Time stamp of the checkpoint# |
| UNRECOVERABLE_CHANGE# | NUMBER | Last unrecoverable change# made to this datafile. This column is always updated when an unrecoverable operation completes. |
| UNRECOVERABLE_TIME | DATE | Time stamp of the last unrecoverable change |
| LAST_CHANGE# | NUMBER | Last change# made to this datafile. Set to NULL if the datafile is being changed. |
| LAST_TIME | DATE | Timestamp of the last change |
| OFFLINE_CHANGE# | NUMBER | Offline change# of the last offline range. This column is updated only when the datafile is brought online. |
| ONLINE_CHANGE# | NUMBER | Online change# of the last offline range |
| ONLINE_TIME | DATE | Online timestamp of the last offline range |

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|---------------|---------------|---|
| BYTES | NUMBER | Current size in bytes; 0 if inaccessible |
| BLOCKS | NUMBER | Current datafile size in blocks; 0 if inaccessible |
| CREATE_BYTES | NUMBER | Size when created, in bytes |
| BLOCK_SIZE | NUMBER | Block size of the datafile |
| NAME | VARCHAR2(513) | Datafile name |
| PLUGGED_IN | NUMBER | Describes whether the tablespace is plugged in. The value is 1 if the tablespace is plugged in and has not been made read-write, 0 if not. |
| BLOCK1_OFFSET | NUMBER | The offset from the beginning of the file to where the Oracle generic information begins. The exact length of the file can be computed as follows: BYTES+BLOCK1_OFFSET. |
| AUX_NAME | VARCHAR2(513) | The auxiliary name that has been set for this file via CONFIGURE AUXNAME |

V\$DATAFILE_COPY

This view displays datafile copy information from the control file.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|------------------------|---------------|--|
| RECID | NUMBER | Datafile copy record ID |
| STAMP | NUMBER | Datafile copy record stamp |
| NAME | VARCHAR2(513) | Filename of the datafile copy. The maximum length of the name is OS dependent. |
| TAG | VARCHAR2(32) | Datafile copy tag |
| FILE# | NUMBER | Absolute datafile number |
| RFILE# | NUMBER | Tablespace relative datafile number |
| CREATION_CHANGE# | NUMBER | Datafile creation change# |
| CREATION_TIME | DATE | Datafile creation timestamp |
| RESETLOGS_CHANGE# | NUMBER | Resetlogs change# of the datafile when the copy was made |
| RESETLOGS_TIME | DATE | Resetlogs timestamp of the datafile when the copy was made |
| INCREMENTAL_LEVEL | NUMBER | The incremental level |
| CHECKPOINT_CHANGE# | NUMBER | Checkpoint change# of the datafile when the copy was made |
| CHECKPOINT_TIME | DATE | Checkpoint timestamp of the datafile when the copy was made |
| ABSOLUTE_FUZZY_CHANGE# | NUMBER | Highest change seen when the datafile was copied |

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|------------------------|----------------|--|
| RECOVERY_FUZZY_CHANGE# | NUMBER | Highest change written to the file by media recovery |
| RECOVERY_FUZZY_TIME | DATE | Timestamp of the highest change written to the file by media recovery |
| ONLINE_FUZZY | VARCHAR2 (3) | (YES NO) If set to YES, this is a copy taken using an operating system utility after a crash or offline immediate (or an invalid copy taken while datafile was online and the database open). Recovery will need to apply all redo up to the next crash recovery marker to make the file consistent. |
| BACKUP_FUZZY | VARCHAR2 (3) | (YES NO) If set to YES, this is a copy taken using the BEGIN BACKUP / END BACKUP technique. Recovery will need to apply all redo up to the end backup marker to make this copy consistent. |
| MARKED_CORRUPT | NUMBER | Number of blocks marked corrupt by this copy operation. That is, blocks that were not marked corrupted in the source datafile, but were detected and marked as corrupted during the copy operation. |
| MEDIA_CORRUPT | NUMBER | Total number of media corrupt blocks. For example, blocks with checksum errors are marked media corrupt. |
| LOGICALLY_CORRUPT | NUMBER | Total number of logically corrupt blocks. For example, applying redo for unrecoverable operations will mark affected blocks logically corrupt. |
| BLOCKS | NUMBER | Size of the datafile copy in blocks (also the size of the datafile when the copy was made) |
| BLOCK_SIZE | NUMBER | Block size of the datafile |
| OLDEST_OFFLINE_RANGE | NUMBER | The RECID of the oldest offline range record in this control file copy; 0 for datafile copies |
| DELETED | VARCHAR2 (3) | (YES NO) If set to YES the datafile copy has been deleted or overwritten |
| STATUS | VARCHAR2 (1) | Identifies the status of this datafile copy. Possible values are: A - Available D - Deleted U - Unavailable X - Expired |
| COMPLETION_TIME | DATE | Time when the copy was completed |
| CONTROLFILE_TYPE | VARCHAR2 (1) | B indicates normal copies S indicates standby copies |
| KEEP | VARCHAR2 (3) | (YES/NO) Indicates whether or not this backup set has a retention policy that is different than the value for the configure retention policy |
| KEEP_UNTIL | DATE | If KEEP_UNTIL_TIME is specified, this is the date after which the backup becomes obsolete. If this column is null, then the backup never expires. |

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------------|-----------------|--|
| KEEP_OPTIONS | VARCHAR2 (10) | Lists additional retention options for this backup set. Possible values are: LOGS - The logs need to recover this backup are kept NOLOGS - The logs needed to recover this backup will not be kept |

V\$DATAFILE_HEADER

This view displays datafile information from the datafile headers.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------------------|-----------------|--|
| FILE# | NUMBER | Datafile number (from control file) |
| STATUS | VARCHAR2 (7) | ONLINE OFFLINE (from control file) |
| ERROR | VARCHAR2 (18) | NULL if the datafile header read and validation were successful. If the read failed then the rest of the columns are NULL. If the validation failed then the rest of columns may display invalid data. If there is an error then usually the datafile must be restored from a backup before it can be recovered or used. |
| FORMAT | NUMBER | Indicates the format for the header block. The possible values are 6 , 7, 8, or 0. 6 - indicates Oracle Version 6 7 - indicates Oracle Version 7 8 - indicates Oracle Version 8 0 - indicates the format could not be determined (for example, the header could not be read) |
| RECOVER | VARCHAR2 (3) | File needs media recovery (YES NO) |
| FUZZY | VARCHAR2 (3) | File is fuzzy (YES NO) |
| CREATION_CHANGE# | NUMBER | Datafile creation change# |
| CREATION_TIME | DATE | Datafile creation timestamp |
| TABLESPACE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | Tablespace name |
| TS# | NUMBER | Tablespace number |
| RFILE# | NUMBER | Tablespace relative datafile number |
| RESETLOGS_CHANGE# | NUMBER | Resetlogs change# |
| RESETLOGS_TIME | DATE | Resetlogs timestamp |
| CHECKPOINT_CHANGE# | NUMBER | Datafile checkpoint change# |
| CHECKPOINT_TIME | DATE | Datafile checkpoint timestamp |
| CHECKPOINT_COUNT | NUMBER | Datafile checkpoint count |

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------|------------------|---------------------------------|
| BYTES | NUMBER | Current datafile size in bytes |
| BLOCKS | NUMBER | Current datafile size in blocks |
| NAME | VARCHAR2 (512) | Datafile name |

V\$DB_CACHE_ADVICE

V\$DB_CACHE_ADVICE contains rows that predict the number of physical reads for the cache size corresponding to each row. The rows also compute a "physical read factor," which is the ratio of the number of estimated reads to the number of reads actually performed by the real buffer cache during the measurement interval .

See Also: ["DB_CACHE_ADVICE"](#) on page 1-37

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|---------------------------|-----------------|--|
| ID | NUMBER | Buffer pool identifier (ranges from 1 to 8) |
| NAME | VARCHAR2 (20) | Buffer pool name |
| BLOCK_SIZE | NUMBER | Block size in bytes for buffers in this pool. Possible values: the standard block size, the power of 2 non-standard block sizes, 2048, 4096, 8192, 16384, 32768. |
| ADVICE_STATUS | VARCHAR2 (3) | Status of the advisory. ON indicates it is currently running; OFF indicates it is disabled (in this case the estimates are historical and calculated when last enabled). |
| SIZE_FOR_ESTIMATE | NUMBER | Cache size for prediction (in megabytes) |
| BUFFERS_FOR_ESTIMATE | NUMBER | Cache size for prediction (in terms of buffers) |
| ESTD_PHYSICAL_READ_FACTOR | NUMBER | Physical read factor for this cache size, which is the ratio of the number of estimated physical reads to the number of reads in the real cache. If there are no physical reads in the real cache, the value of this column is null. |
| ESTD_PHYSICAL_READS | NUMBER | Estimated number of physical reads for this cache size |

V\$DB_OBJECT_CACHE

This view displays database objects that are cached in the library cache. Objects include tables, indexes, clusters, synonym definitions, PL/SQL procedures and packages, and triggers.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------------|-------------|---|
| OWNER | VARCHAR2 | Owner of the object |
| NAME | VARCHAR2 | Name of the object |
| DB_LINK | VARCHAR2 | Database link name, if any |
| NAMESPACE | VARCHAR2 | Library cache namespace of the object: TABLE/PROCEDURE, BODY, TRIGGER, INDEX, CLUSTER, OBJECT |
| TYPE | VARCHAR2 | Type of the object: INDEX, TABLE, CLUSTER, VIEW, SET, SYNONYM, SEQUENCE, PROCEDURE, FUNCTION, PACKAGE, PACKAGE BODY, TRIGGER, CLASS, OBJECT, USER, DBLINK |
| SHARABLE_MEM | NUMBER | Amount of sharable memory in the shared pool consumed by the object |
| LOADS | NUMBER | Number of times the object has been loaded. This count also increases when an object has been invalidated. |
| EXECUTIONS | NUMBER | Not used See: "V\$SQLAREA" on page 3-132 to see actual execution counts |
| LOCKS | NUMBER | Number of users currently locking this object |
| PINS | NUMBER | Number of users currently pinning this object |
| KEPT | VARCHAR2(3) | (YES NO) Depends on whether this object has been "kept" (permanently pinned in memory) with the PL/SQL procedure DBMS_SHARED_POOL.KEEP |

V\$DB_PIPES

This view displays the pipes that are currently represented in the shared pool for this instance.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-----------|----------------|--|
| OWNERID | NUMBER | The owner ID of the owner if this is a private pipe. NULL otherwise. |
| NAME | VARCHAR2(1000) | The name of the pipe (for example, SCOTT.Pipe) |
| TYPE | VARCHAR2(7) | PUBLIC or PRIVATE |
| PIPE_SIZE | NUMBER | The amount of memory the pipe uses |

V\$DBFILE

This view lists all datafiles making up the database. This view is retained for historical compatibility. Use of V\$DATAFILE is recommended instead.

See Also: "V\$DATAFILE" on page 3-33

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------|----------|-----------------|
| FILE# | NUMBER | File identifier |
| NAME | VARCHAR2 | Name of file |

V\$DBLINK

This view describes all database links (links with `IN_TRANSACTION = YES`) opened by the session issuing the query on `V$DBLINK`. These database links must be committed or rolled back before being closed.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-----------------------|------------------|--|
| DB_LINK | VARCHAR2 (128) | Name of the database link |
| OWNER_ID | NUMBER | Owner of the database link UID |
| LOGGED_ON | VARCHAR2 (3) | Whether the database link is currently logged on |
| HETEROGENEOUS | VARCHAR2 (3) | Whether the database link is heterogeneous |
| PROTOCOL | VARCHAR2 (6) | Communication protocol for the database link |
| OPEN_CURSORS | NUMBER | Whether there are open cursors for the database link |
| IN_TRANSACTION | VARCHAR2 (3) | Whether the database link is currently in a transaction |
| UPDATE_SENT | VARCHAR2 (3) | Whether there has been an update on the database link |
| COMMIT_POINT_STRENGTH | NUMBER | Commit point strength of the transactions on the database link |

V\$DELETED_OBJECT

This view displays information about deleted archived logs, datafile copies and backup pieces from the control file. The only purpose of this view is to optimize the recovery catalog resync operation. When an archived log, datafile copy, or backup piece is deleted, the corresponding record is marked deleted.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------|-----------------|---|
| RECID | NUMBER | Deleted object record ID |
| STAMP | NUMBER | Deleted object record stamp |
| TYPE | VARCHAR2 (13) | Identifies the type of deleted object: ARCHIVED LOG, DATAFILE COPY, BACKUP PIECE, PROXY COPY, BACKUP PIECE AVAILABLE, BACKUP PIECE EXPIRED, PROXY COPY AVAILABLE, or PROXY COPY EXPIRED |

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------------|----------|--|
| OBJECT_RECID | NUMBER | Record ID of the deleted object |
| OBJECT_STAMP | NUMBER | Record timestamp of the deleted object |
| OBJECT_DATA | NUMBER | Displays additional internal information related to this deleted object. For internal Oracle use only. |

V\$DISPATCHER

This view provides information on the dispatcher processes.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|------------|-----------|---|
| NAME | VARCHAR2 | Name of the dispatcher process |
| NETWORK | VARCHAR2 | Network address of this dispatcher |
| PADDR | RAW (4) | Process address |
| STATUS | VARCHAR2 | The status of the dispatcher (one of the following): <ul style="list-style-type: none">■ WAIT - idle■ SEND - sending a message■ RECEIVE - receiving a message■ CONNECT - establishing a connection■ DISCONNECT - handling a disconnect request■ BREAK - handling a break■ TERMINATE - in the process of terminating■ ACCEPT - accepting connections (no further information available)■ REFUSE - rejecting connections (no further information available) |
| ACCEPT | VARCHAR2 | Whether this dispatcher is accepting new connections (YES NO) |
| MESSAGES | NUMBER | Number of messages processed by this dispatcher |
| BYTES | NUMBER | Size in bytes of messages processed by this dispatcher |
| BREAKS | NUMBER | Number of breaks occurring in this connection |
| OWNED | NUMBER | Number of circuits owned by this dispatcher |
| CREATED | NUMBER | Number of circuits created by this dispatcher |
| IDLE | NUMBER | Total idle time for this dispatcher in hundredths of a second |
| BUSY | NUMBER | Total busy time for this dispatcher in hundredths of a second |
| LISTENER | NUMBER | The most recent Oracle error number the dispatcher received from the listener |
| CONF_INDEX | NUMBER | Zero-based index of the DISPATCHERS configuration used by this dispatcher |

V\$DISPATCHER_RATE

This view provides rate statistics for a number of activities performed by the dispatcher processes. Collected samples have an activity-specific "time-to-live" (TTL_* columns). Statistics are reported over the following two types of time intervals:

- Current statistics (CUR_* columns)

Current statistics use samples collected over the most recent time-to-live interval.

- Historical statistics (AVG_* and most of the MAX_* columns)

Historical statistics make use of all samples that are no longer current.

At the time of collection, a sample is current. After the time-to-live has elapsed, the sample becomes historical. Each type of activity has a specific scale (represented by the SCALE_* columns) at which the statistics are reported.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|----------------------|----------|--|
| NAME | CHAR | Name of the dispatcher process |
| PADDR | RAW | Address of the dispatcher process |
| CUR_LOOP_RATE | NUMBER | Rate at which the dispatcher has been iterating through its dispatching loop, reported over the past TTL_LOOPS, in iterations/SCALE_LOOPS |
| CUR_EVENT_RATE | NUMBER | Rate at which the dispatcher has been processing dispatcher events, reported over the past TTL_LOOPS, in events/SCALE_LOOPS. Such dispatcher events include network events and shared server requests. |
| CUR_EVENTS_PER_LOOP | NUMBER | Average number of events the dispatcher has been processing in each iteration through its dispatching loop, reported over the past TTL_LOOPS, in events/iteration |
| CUR_MSG_RATE | NUMBER | Rate at which the dispatcher has been relaying messages between clients and shared servers, reported over the past TTL_MSG, in messages/SCALE_MSG |
| CUR_SVR_BUF_RATE | NUMBER | Rate at which the dispatcher has been relaying buffers to shared servers, reported over the past TTL_SVR_BUF, in messages/SCALE_SVR_BUF |
| CUR_SVR_BYTE_RATE | NUMBER | Rate at which the dispatcher has been relaying data to shared servers, reported over the past TTL_SVR_BUF, in bytes/SCALE_SVR_BUF |
| CUR_SVR_BYTE_PER_BUF | NUMBER | Average number of data types in each buffer relayed to shared servers, reported over the past TTL_SVR_BUF, in bytes/buffer |
| CUR_CLT_BUF_RATE | NUMBER | Rate at which the dispatcher has been relaying buffers to clients, reported over the past TTL_CLT_BUF, in buffers/SCALE_CLT_BUF |

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|----------------------|----------|--|
| CUR_CLT_BYTE_RATE | NUMBER | Rate at which the dispatcher has been relaying data to clients, reported over the past TTL_CLT_BUF, in bytes/SCALE_CLT_BUF |
| CUR_CLT_BYTE_PER_BUF | NUMBER | Average number of data bytes in each buffer relayed to clients, reported over the past TTL_CLT_BUF, in bytes/buffer |
| CUR_BUF_RATE | NUMBER | Rate at which the dispatcher has been relaying buffers to either clients or shared servers, reported over the past TTL_BUF, in bytes/SCALE_BUF |
| CUR_BYTE_RATE | NUMBER | Rate at which the dispatcher has been relaying data to either clients or shared servers, reported over the past TTL_BUF, in bytes/SCALE_BUF |
| CUR_BYTE_PER_BUF | NUMBER | Average number of data bytes in each buffer relayed to either clients or shared servers, reported over the past TTL_BUF, in bytes/buffer |
| CUR_IN_CONNECT_RATE | NUMBER | Rate at which the dispatcher has been accepting incoming client connections, reported over the past TTL_IN_CONNECT, in connections/SCALE_IN_CONNECT |
| CUR_OUT_CONNECT_RATE | NUMBER | Rate at which the dispatcher has been establishing outbound connections, reported over the past TTL_OUT_CONNECT, in connections/SCALE_OUT_CONNECT |
| CUR_RECONNECT_RATE | NUMBER | In a connection pooling setup, the rate at which clients have been reconnecting to the dispatcher, reported over the past TTL_RECONNECT, in reconnections/SCALE_RECONNECT |
| MAX_LOOP_RATE | NUMBER | Maximum rate at which the dispatcher has ever iterated through its dispatching loop, reported in iterations/SCALE_LOOPS, over the dispatcher's lifetime excluding the past TTL_LOOPS |
| MAX_EVENT_RATE | NUMBER | Maximum rate at which the dispatcher has ever processed dispatcher events, reported in events/SCALE_LOOPS, over the dispatcher's lifetime excluding the past TTL_LOOPS |
| MAX_EVENTS_PER_LOOP | NUMBER | Maximum number of events the dispatcher has ever processed in one iteration through its dispatching loop, reported in events/iteration, over the dispatcher's lifetime |
| MAX_MSG_RATE | NUMBER | Maximum rate at which the dispatcher has ever relayed messages between clients and shared servers, reported in messages/SCALE_MSG, over the dispatcher's lifetime excluding the past TTL_MSG |
| MAX_SVR_BUF_RATE | NUMBER | Maximum rate at which the dispatcher has ever relayed buffers to shared servers, reported in buffers/SCALE_SVR_BUF, over the dispatcher's lifetime excluding the past TTL_SVR_BUF |
| MAX_SVR_BYTE_RATE | NUMBER | Maximum rate at which the dispatcher has ever relayed data to shared servers, reported in bytes/SCALE_SVR_BUF, over the dispatcher's lifetime excluding the past TTL_SVR_BUF |
| MAX_SVR_BYTE_PER_BUF | NUMBER | Maximum number of data bytes the dispatcher has ever relayed in one buffer to a client, reported in bytes/buffer, over the dispatcher's lifetime |

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|----------------------|----------|---|
| MAX_CLT_BUF_RATE | NUMBER | Maximum rate at which the dispatcher has ever relayed buffers to either clients or shared servers, reported in buffers/SCALE_CLT_BUF, over the dispatcher's life time excluding the past TTL_CLT_BUF |
| MAX_CLT_BYTE_RATE | NUMBER | Maximum rate at which the dispatcher has ever relayed buffers to clients, reported in bytes/SCALE_CLT_BUF, over the dispatcher's lifetime excluding the last TTL_CLT_BUF |
| MAX_CLT_BYTE_PER_BUF | NUMBER | Maximum number of data bytes the dispatcher has ever relayed in one buffer to a client, reported in bytes/buffer, over the dispatcher's lifetime |
| MAX_BUF_RATE | NUMBER | Maximum rate at which the dispatcher has ever relayed buffers to either clients or shared servers, reported in buffers/SCALE_BUF, over the dispatcher's lifetime, excluding the past TTL_BUF |
| MAX_BYTE_RATE | NUMBER | Maximum rate at which the dispatcher has ever relayed data to either clients or shared servers, reported in bytes/SCALE_BUF, over the dispatcher's lifetime excluding the past TTL_BUF |
| MAX_BYTE_PER_BUF | NUMBER | Maximum number of data bytes the dispatcher has ever relayed in one buffer to either a client or a shared server, reported in bytes/buffer, over the dispatcher's lifetime |
| MAX_IN_CONNECT_RATE | NUMBER | Maximum rate at which the dispatcher has ever accepted incoming client connections, reported in connections/SCALE_IN_CONNECT, over the dispatcher's lifetime excluding the past TTL_IN_CONNECT |
| MAX_OUT_CONNECT_RATE | NUMBER | Maximum rate at which the dispatcher has ever established outbound connections, reported in connections/SCALE_OUT_CONNECT, over the dispatcher's lifetime excluding the past TTL_OUT_CONNECT |
| MAX_RECONNECT_RATE | NUMBER | In a connection pooling setup, the maximum rate at which clients have ever reconnected to this dispatcher, reported in reconnections/SCALE_RECONNECT, over the dispatcher's lifetime excluding the past TTL_RECONNECT |
| AVG_LOOP_RATE | NUMBER | Historical average rate at which the dispatcher has iterated through its dispatching loop, reported in iterations/SCALE_LOOPS, over the dispatcher's lifetime excluding the past TTL_LOOPS |
| AVG_EVENT_RATE | NUMBER | Historical average rate at which the dispatcher has processed dispatcher events, reported in events/SCALE_LOOPS, over the dispatcher's lifetime excluding the past TTL_LOOPS |
| AVG_EVENTS_PER_LOOP | NUMBER | Historical average number of events the dispatcher has processed in one iteration through its dispatching loop, reported in events/iteration, over the dispatcher's lifetime excluding the past TTL_LOOPS |
| AVG_MSG_RATE | NUMBER | Historical average rate at which the dispatcher has relayed messages between clients and shared servers, reported in messages/SCALE_MSG, over the dispatcher's lifetime excluding the past TTL_MSG |
| AVG_SVR_BUF_RATE | NUMBER | Historical average rate at which the dispatcher has relayed buffers to shared servers, reported in buffers/SCALE_SVR_BUF, over the dispatcher's lifetime excluding the past TTL_SVR_BUF |

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|----------------------|----------|---|
| AVG_SVR_BYTE_RATE | NUMBER | Historical average rate at which the dispatcher has relayed data to shared servers, reported in bytes/SCALE_SVR_BUF, over the dispatcher's lifetime excluding the past TTL_SVR_BUF |
| AVG_SVR_BYTE_PER_BUF | NUMBER | Historical average number of data bytes per buffer the dispatcher has relayed to shared servers, reported in bytes/buffer, over the dispatcher's lifetime excluding the past TTL_SVR_BUF |
| AVG_CLT_BUF_RATE | NUMBER | Historical average rate at which the dispatcher has relayed buffers to clients, reported in buffers/SCALE_CLT_BUF, over the dispatcher's lifetime excluding the past TTL_CLT_BUF |
| AVG_CLT_BYTE_RATE | NUMBER | Historical average rate at which the dispatcher has relayed data to clients, reported in bytes/SCALE_CLT_BUF, over the dispatcher's lifetime excluding the past TTL_CLT_BUF |
| AVG_CLT_BYTE_PER_BUF | NUMBER | Historical average number of data bytes per buffer the dispatcher has relayed to clients, reported in bytes/buffer, over the dispatcher's lifetime excluding the past TTL_CLT_BUF |
| AVG_BUF_RATE | NUMBER | Historical average rate at which the dispatcher has relayed buffers to either clients or shared servers, reported in buffers/SCALE_BUF, over the dispatcher's lifetime excluding the past TTL_BUF |
| AVG_BYTE_RATE | NUMBER | Historical average rate at which the dispatcher has relayed data to either clients or shared servers, reported in bytes/SCALE_BUF, over the dispatcher's lifetime excluding the past TTL_BUF |
| AVG_BYTE_PER_BUF | NUMBER | Historical average number of data bytes per buffer the dispatcher has relayed to either clients or shared servers, reported in bytes/buffer, over the dispatcher's lifetime excluding the past TTL_BUF |
| AVG_IN_CONNECT_RATE | NUMBER | Historical average rate at which the dispatcher has accepted incoming client connections, reported in connections/SCALE_IN_CONNECT, over the dispatcher's lifetime excluding the past TTL_IN_CONNECT |
| AVG_OUT_CONNECT_RATE | NUMBER | Historical average rate at which the dispatcher has established outbound connections, reported in connections/SCALE_OUT_CONNECT, over the dispatcher's lifetime excluding the past TTL_OUT_CONNECT |
| AVG_RECONNECT_RATE | NUMBER | In a connection pooling setup, the historical average rate at which clients have reconnected to this dispatcher, reported in reconnections/SCALE_RECONNECT, over the dispatcher's lifetime excluding the past TTL_RECONNECT |
| TTL_LOOPS | NUMBER | Time-to-live for "loops" samples, reported in hundredths of a second. Default is 10 minutes. |
| TTL_MSG | NUMBER | Time-to-live for "messages" samples, reported in hundredths of a second. Default is 10 seconds. |
| TTL_SVR_BUF | NUMBER | Time-to-live for "buffers to servers" samples, reported in hundredths of a second. Default is 1 second. |
| TTL_CLT_BUF | NUMBER | Time-to-live for "buffers to clients" samples, reported in hundredths of a second. Default is 1 second. |

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-------------------|----------|---|
| TTL_BUF | NUMBER | Time-to-live for "buffers to clients/servers" samples, reported in hundredths of a second. Default is 1 second. |
| TTL_IN_CONNECT | NUMBER | Time-to-live for "inbound connections" samples, reported in hundredths of a second. Default is 10 minutes. |
| TTL_OUT_CONNECT | NUMBER | Time-to-live for "outbound connections" samples, reported in hundredths of a second. Default is 10 minutes. |
| TTL_RECONNECT | NUMBER | Time-to-live for "reconnections" samples, reported in hundredths of a second. Default is 10 minutes. |
| SCALE_LOOPS | NUMBER | Scale for "loops" statistics, reported in hundredths of a second. Default is 1 minute. |
| SCALE_MSG | NUMBER | Scale for "messages" statistics, reported in hundredths of a second. Default is 1 second. |
| SCALE_SVR_BUF | NUMBER | Scale for "buffers to servers" statistics, reported in hundredths of a second. Default is 1/10 second. |
| SCALE_CLT_BUF | NUMBER | Scale for "buffers to clients" statistics, reported in hundredths of a second. Default is 1/10 second. |
| SCALE_BUF | NUMBER | Scale for "buffers to clients/servers" statistics, reported in hundredths of a second. Default is 1/10 second. |
| SCALE_IN_CONNECT | NUMBER | Scale for "inbound connections" statistics, reported in hundredths of a second. Default is 1 minute. |
| SCALE_OUT_CONNECT | NUMBER | Scale for "outbound connections" statistics, reported in hundredths of a second. Default is 1 minute. |
| SCALE_RECONNECT | NUMBER | Scale for "reconnections" statistics, reported in hundredths of a second. Default is 1 minute. |

V\$DLM_ALL_LOCKS

This Oracle9i Real Application Clusters view describes all locks currently known to lock manager.

See Also: ["V\\$DLM_LOCKS"](#) on page 3-48 for a description of all such locks that are currently blocking or being blocked

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|----------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|
| LOCKP | RAW (4) | Lock pointer |
| GRANT_LEVEL | VARCHAR2 (9) | Granted level of the lock |
| REQUEST_LEVEL | VARCHAR2 (9) | Requested level of the lock |
| RESOURCE_NAME1 | VARCHAR2 (30) | Resource name for the lock |

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| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|--|
| RESOURCE_NAME2 | VARCHAR2 (30) | Resource name for the lock |
| PID | NUMBER | Process identifier which holds the lock |
| TRANSACTION_ID0 | NUMBER | Lower 4 bytes of the transaction identifier to which the lock belongs |
| TRANSACTION_ID1 | NUMBER | Upper 4 bytes of the transaction identifier to which the lock belongs |
| GROUP_ID | NUMBER | Group identifier for the lock |
| OPEN_OPT_DEADLOCK | NUMBER | 1 if DEADLOCK open option is set, otherwise 0 |
| OPEN_OPT_PERSISTENT | NUMBER | 1 if PERSISTENT open option is set, otherwise 0 |
| OPEN_OPT_PROCESS_OWNED | NUMBER | 1 if PROCESS_OWNED open option is set, otherwise 0 |
| OPEN_OPT_NO_XID | NUMBER | 1 if NO_XID open option is set, otherwise 0 |
| CONVERT_OPT_GETVALUE | NUMBER | 1 if GETVALUE convert option is set, otherwise 0 |
| CONVERT_OPT_PUTVALUE | NUMBER | 1 if PUTVALUE convert option is set, otherwise 0 |
| CONVERT_OPT_NOVALUE | NUMBER | 1 if NOVALUE convert option is set, otherwise 0 |
| CONVERT_OPT_DUBVALUE | NUMBER | 1 if DUBVALUE convert option is set, otherwise 0 |
| CONVERT_OPT_NOQUEUE | NUMBER | 1 if NOQUEUE convert option is set, otherwise 0 |
| CONVERT_OPT_EXPRESS | NUMBER | 1 if EXPRESS convert option is set, otherwise 0 |
| CONVERT_OPT_NODEADLOCKWAIT | NUMBER | 1 if NODEADLOCKWAIT convert option is set, otherwise 0 |
| CONVERT_OPT_NODEADLOCKBLOCK | NUMBER | 1 if NODEADLOCKBLOCK convert option is set, otherwise 0 |
| WHICH_QUEUE | NUMBER | Which queue the lock is currently located. 0 for NULL queue; 1 for GRANTED queue; 2 for CONVERT queue. |
| LOCKSTATE | VARCHAR2 (64) | State of the lock as the owner sees it |
| AST_EVENT0 | NUMBER | Last AST event |
| OWNER_NODE | NUMBER | Node identifier |
| BLOCKED | NUMBER | 1 if this lock request is blocked by others, otherwise 0 |
| BLOCKER | NUMBER | 1 if this lock is blocking others, otherwise 0 |

V\$DLM_CONVERT_LOCAL

V\$DLM_CONVERT_LOCAL displays the elapsed time for the local lock conversion operation.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|----------------------|-----------------|--|
| INST_ID | NUMBER | ID of the instance |
| CONVERT_TYPE | VARCHAR2 (64) | Conversion types are listed in Table 3-3 |
| AVERAGE_CONVERT_TIME | NUMBER | Average conversion time for each type of lock operation (in 100th of a second) |
| CONVERT_COUNT | NUMBER | The number of operations |

V\$DLM_CONVERT_REMOTE

V\$DLM_CONVERT_REMOTE displays the elapsed time for the remote lock conversion operation.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|----------------------|-----------------|---|
| INST_ID | NUMBER | ID of the instance |
| CONVERT_TYPE | VARCHAR2 (64) | Conversion types are listed in Table 3-3 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ NULL -> SS: NULL mode to subshared mode ■ NULL -> SX: NULL mode to shared exclusive mode ■ NULL -> S: NULL mode to shared mode ■ NULL -> SSX: NULL mode to subshared exclusive mode ■ NULL -> X: NULL mode to exclusive mode ■ SS -> SX: subshared mode to shared exclusive mode ■ SS -> S: subshared mode to shared mode ■ SS -> SSX: subshared mode to subshared exclusive mode ■ SS -> X: subshared mode to exclusive mode ■ SX -> S: shared exclusive mode to shared mode ■ SX -> SSX: shared exclusive mode to subshared exclusive mode ■ SX -> X: shared exclusive mode to exclusive mode ■ S -> SX: shared mode to shared exclusive mode ■ S -> SSX: shared mode to subshared exclusive mode ■ S -> X: shared mode to exclusive mode ■ SSX -> X: sub-shared exclusive mode to exclusive mode |
| AVERAGE_CONVERT_TIME | NUMBER | Average conversion time for each type of lock operation (in 100th of a second) |
| CONVERT_COUNT | NUMBER | The number of operations |

V\$DLM_LATCH

V\$DLM_LATCH is obsolete.

See Also: ["V\\$LATCH"](#) on page 3-67 for statistics about DLM latch performance

V\$DLM_LOCKS

This Oracle9i Real Application Clusters view describes all locks currently known to lock manager that are being blocked or blocking others. The output of this view is a subset of the output from V\$DLM_ALL_LOCKS.

See Also: ["V\\$DLM_ALL_LOCKS"](#) on page 3-45 for a description of all locks known to the lock manager

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|------------------------|-----------------|---|
| LOCKP | RAW (4) | Lock pointer |
| GRANT_LEVEL | VARCHAR2 (9) | Granted level of the lock |
| REQUEST_LEVEL | VARCHAR2 (9) | Requested level of the lock |
| RESOURCE_NAME1 | VARCHAR2 (30) | Resource name for the lock |
| RESOURCE_NAME2 | VARCHAR2 (30) | Resource name for the lock |
| PID | NUMBER | Process identifier which holds the lock |
| TRANSACTION_ID0 | NUMBER | Lower 4 bytes of the transaction identifier where the lock belongs to |
| TRANSACTION_ID1 | NUMBER | Upper 4 bytes of the transaction identifier where the lock belongs to |
| GROUP_ID | NUMBER | Group identifier for the lock |
| OPEN_OPT_DEADLOCK | NUMBER | 1 if DEADLOCK open option is set, otherwise 0 |
| OPEN_OPT_PERSISTENT | NUMBER | 1 if PERSISTENT open option is set, otherwise 0 |
| OPEN_OPT_PROCESS_OWNED | NUMBER | 1 if PROCESS_OWNED open option is set, otherwise 0 |
| OPEN_OPT_NO_XID | NUMBER | 1 if NO_XID open option is set, otherwise 0 |
| CONVERT_OPT_GETVALUE | NUMBER | 1 if GETVALUE convert option is set, otherwise 0 |
| CONVERT_OPT_PUTVALUE | NUMBER | 1 if PUTVALUE convert option is set, otherwise 0 |
| CONVERT_OPT_NOVALUE | NUMBER | 1 if NOVALUE convert option is set, otherwise 0 |
| CONVERT_OPT_DUBVALUE | NUMBER | 1 if DUBVALUE convert option is set, otherwise 0 |
| CONVERT_OPT_NOQUEUE | NUMBER | 1 if NOQUEUE convert option is set, otherwise 0 |

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|---------------------------------|-----------------|--|
| CONVERT_OPT_EXPRESS | NUMBER | 1 if EXPRESS convert option is set, otherwise 0 |
| CONVERT_OPT_ NODEADLOCKWAIT | NUMBER | 1 if NODEADLOCKWAIT convert option is set, otherwise 0 |
| CONVERT_OPT_ NODEADLOCKBLOCK | NUMBER | 1 if NODEADLOCKBLOCK convert option is set, otherwise 0 |
| WHICH_QUEUE | NUMBER | Which queue the lock is currently located. 0 for NULL queue; 1 for GRANTED queue; 2 for CONVERT queue. |
| LOCKSTATE | VARCHAR2 (64) | State of lock as owner sees it |
| AST_EVENT0 | NUMBER | Last AST event |
| OWNER_NODE | NUMBER | Node identifier |
| BLOCKED | NUMBER | 1 if this lock request is blocked by others, otherwise 0 |
| BLOCKER | NUMBER | 1 if this lock is blocking others, otherwise 0 |

V\$DLM_MISC

V\$DLM_MISC displays miscellaneous DLM statistics.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|------------|-----------------|-------------------------------------|
| STATISTIC# | NUMBER | Statistic number |
| NAME | VARCHAR2 (64) | Name of the statistic |
| VALUE | NUMBER | Value associated with the statistic |

V\$DLM_RESS

V\$DLM_RESS is an Oracle9i Real Application Clusters view. It displays information of all resources currently known to the lock manager.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|----------------|-----------------|---|
| RESP | RAW (4) | Resource pointer |
| RESOURCE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | Resource name in hexadecimal for the lock |
| ON_CONVERT_Q | NUMBER | 1 if on convert queue, 0 otherwise |
| ON_GRANT_Q | NUMBER | 1 if on granted queue, 0 otherwise |
| PERSISTENT_RES | NUMBER | 1 if it is a persistent resource, 0 otherwise |
| RDOMAIN_NAME | VARCHAR2 (25) | Recovery domain name |

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-----------------|-----------------|--|
| RDOMAINP | RAW (4) | Recovery domain pointer |
| MASTER_NODE | NUMBER | Master node ID |
| NEXT_CVT_LEVEL | VARCHAR2 (9) | Next lock level to convert on global convert queue |
| VALUE_BLK_STATE | VARCHAR2 (32) | State of the value block |
| VALUE_BLK | VARCHAR2 (64) | First 64 bytes of the value block |

V\$ENABLEDPRIVS

This view displays which privileges are enabled. These privileges can be found in the table SYS . SYSTEM_PRIVILEGES_MAP.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-------------|----------|--|
| PRIV_NUMBER | NUMBER | Numeric identifier of enabled privileges |

V\$ENQUEUE_LOCK

This view displays all locks owned by enqueue state objects. The columns in this view are identical to the columns in V\$LOCK.

See Also: ["V\\$LOCK"](#) on page 3-71

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------|----------------|--|
| ADDR | RAW (4) | Address of lock state object |
| KADDR | RAW (4) | Address of lock |
| SID | NUMBER | Identifier for session holding or acquiring the lock |
| TYPE | VARCHAR2 (2) | Type of lock. Lists user and system types that can have locks. |
| ID1 | NUMBER | Lock identifier #1 (depends on type) |
| ID2 | NUMBER | Lock identifier #2 (depends on type) |

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|---------|----------|--|
| LMODE | NUMBER | Lock mode in which the session holds the lock: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0 - none 1 - null (NULL) 2 - row-S (SS) 3 - row-X (SX) 4 - share (S) 5 - S/Row-X (SSX) 6 - exclusive (X) |
| REQUEST | NUMBER | Lock mode in which the process requests the lock: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0 - none 1 - null (NULL) 2 - row-S (SS) 3 - row-X (SX) 4 - share (S) 5 - S/Row-X (SSX) 6 - exclusive (X) |
| CTIME | NUMBER | Time since current mode was granted |
| BLOCK | NUMBER | The lock is blocking another lock |

V\$ENQUEUE_STAT

This view displays statistics on the number of enqueue (lock) requests for each type of lock.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|---------------|----------------|--|
| INST_ID | NUMBER | Database instance number |
| EQ_TYPE | VARCHAR2 (2) | Type of enqueue requested |
| TOTAL_REQ# | NUMBER | Total number of enqueue requests or enqueue conversions for this type of enqueue |
| TOTAL_WAIT# | NUMBER | Total number of times an enqueue request or conversion resulted in a wait |
| SUCC_REQ# | NUMBER | Number of times an enqueue request or conversion was granted |
| FAILED_REQ# | NUMBER | Number of times an enqueue request or conversion failed |
| CUM_WAIT_TIME | NUMBER | Total amount of time (in milliseconds) spent waiting for the enqueue or enqueue conversion |

V\$EVENT_NAME

This view contains information about wait events.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|------------|-----------------|--|
| EVENT# | NUMBER | The number of the wait event |
| NAME | VARCHAR2 (64) | The name of the wait event |
| PARAMETER1 | VARCHAR2 (64) | The description of the first parameter for the wait event |
| PARAMETER2 | VARCHAR2 (64) | The description of the second parameter for the wait event |
| PARAMETER3 | VARCHAR2 (64) | The description of the third parameter for the wait event |

V\$EXECUTION

This view displays information on parallel execution.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|----------|-----------------|---------------------------------------|
| PID | NUMBER | Session ID |
| DEPTH | NUMBER | The depth |
| FUNCTION | VARCHAR2 (10) | Session serial number |
| TYPE | VARCHAR2 (7) | Name of the OBJECT_NODE in plan table |
| NVALS | NUMBER | Elapsed time for OBJECT_NODE |
| VAL1 | NUMBER | The value for number 1 |
| VAL2 | NUMBER | The value for number 2 |
| SEQH | NUMBER | A sequence |
| SEQL | NUMBER | A sequence |

V\$FALSE_PING

V\$FALSE_PING is an Oracle9i Real Application Clusters view. This view displays buffers that may be getting false pings. That is, buffers pinged more than 10 times that are protected by the same lock as another buffer that pinged more than 10 times. Buffers identified as getting false pings can be remapped in "[GC_FILES_TO_LOCKS](#)" to reduce lock collisions.

See Also: "[GC_FILES_TO_LOCKS](#)" on page 1-59 and *Oracle9i Real Application Clusters Concepts*

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------------------|-----------------|---|
| FILE# | NUMBER | Datafile identifier number (to find filename, query DBA_DATA_FILES or V\$DBFILES) |
| BLOCK# | NUMBER | Block number |
| STATUS | VARCHAR2 (1) | Status of block: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ FREE - not currently in use ■ XCUR - exclusive ■ SCUR - shared current ■ CR - consistent read ■ READ - being read from disk ■ MREC - in media recovery mode ■ IREC - in instance recovery mode |
| XNC | NUMBER | Number of PCM lock conversions from Exclusive mode due to contention with another instance. This column is obsolete but is retained for historical compatibility. |
| FORCED_READS | NUMBER | Number of times the block had to be reread from disk because another instance had forced it out of this instance's cache by requesting the PCM lock on the block in exclusive mode |
| FORCED_WRITES | NUMBER | Number of times DBWR had to write this block to disk because this instance had used the block and another instance had requested the lock on the block in a conflicting mode |
| NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | Name of the database object containing the block |
| PARTITION_NAME | VARCHAR2 | NULL for non-partitioned objects |
| KIND | VARCHAR2 (12) | Type of database object |
| OWNER# | NUMBER | Owner number |
| LOCK_ELEMENT_ADDR | RAW (4) | The address of the lock element that contains the PCM lock that is covering the buffer. If more than one buffer has the same address, then these buffers are covered by the same PCM lock. |
| LOCK_ELEMENT_NAME | NUMBER | The name of the lock that contains the PCM lock that is covering the buffer |
| LOCK_ELEMENT_CLASS | NUMBER | The lock element class |

V\$FAST_START_SERVERS

V\$FAST_START_SERVERS provides information about all the recovery slaves performing parallel transaction recovery.

See Also: *Oracle9i User-Managed Backup and Recovery Guide*

V\$FAST_START_TRANSACTIONS

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|----------------|-----------------|---|
| STATE | VARCHAR2 (11) | State of the server (IDLE or RECOVERING) |
| UNDOBLOCKSDONE | NUMBER | The percentage of the assigned work done so far |
| PID | NUMBER | The process ID |

V\$FAST_START_TRANSACTIONS

V\$FAST_START_TRANSACTIONS contains information about the progress of the transactions that Oracle is recovering.

See Also: *Oracle9i User-Managed Backup and Recovery Guide*

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-----------------|-----------------|---|
| USN | NUMBER | The undo segment number of the transaction |
| SLT | NUMBER | The slot within the rollback segment |
| SEQ | NUMBER | The incarnation number of the slot |
| STATE | VARCHAR2 (16) | The state of the transaction may be TO BE RECOVERED, RECOVERED, or RECOVERING |
| UNDOBLOCKSDONE | NUMBER | The number of undo blocks completed on this transaction |
| UNDOBLOCKSTOTAL | NUMBER | The total number of undo blocks that need recovery |
| PID | NUMBER | The ID of the current server it has been assigned to |
| CPUTIME | NUMBER | The time for which recovery has progressed, in seconds |
| PARENTUSN | NUMBER | The undo segment number of the parent transaction in PDML |
| PARENTSLT | NUMBER | The slot of the parent transaction in PDML |
| PARENTSEQ | NUMBER | The sequence number of the parent transaction in PDML |

V\$FILE_CACHE_TRANSFER

The view V\$FILE_CACHE_TRANSFER displays the number of blocks pinged per datafile. This information in turn can be used to determine access patterns to existing datafiles and deciding new mappings from datafile blocks to PCM locks.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-------------|----------|--|
| FILE_NUMBER | NUMBER | Number of the datafile |
| X_2_NULL | NUMBER | Number of lock conversions from Exclusive-to-NULL for all blocks in the file |

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-----------------------|----------|--|
| X_2_NULL_FORCED_WRITE | NUMBER | Number of forced writes that occur for blocks of the specified file due to Exclusive-to-NULL conversions |
| X_2_NULL_FORCED_STALE | NUMBER | Number of times a block in the file was made STALE due to Exclusive-to-NULL conversions |
| X_2_S | NUMBER | Number of lock conversions from Exclusive-to-Shared for all blocks in the file |
| X_2_S_FORCED_WRITE | NUMBER | Number of forced writes that occur for blocks of the specified file due to Exclusive-to-Shared conversions |
| S_2_NULL | NUMBER | Number of lock conversions from Shared-to-NULL for all blocks in the file |
| S_2_NULL_FORCED_STALE | NUMBER | Number of times a block in the file was made STALE due to Shared-to-NULL conversions |
| RBR | NUMBER | Number of times the instance received a reuse block range cross instance call for this file |
| RBR_FORCED_WRITE | NUMBER | Number of blocks written due to reuse block range cross instance calls for this file |
| RBR_FORCED_STALE | NUMBER | Number of times a block in this file was made STALE due to reuse block range cross instance calls |
| NULL_2_X | NUMBER | Number of lock conversions from NULL-to-Exclusive for all blocks of the specified file |
| S_2_X | NUMBER | Number of lock conversions from Shared-to-Exclusive for all blocks of the specified file |
| NULL_2_S | NUMBER | Number of lock conversions from NULL-to-Shared for all blocks of the specified file |

V\$FILE_PING

The view V\$FILE_PING displays the number of blocks pinged per datafile. This information in turn can be used to determine access patterns to existing datafiles and deciding new mappings from datafile blocks to PCM locks.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-----------------------|----------|--|
| FILE_NUMBER | NUMBER | Number of the datafile |
| FREQUENCY | NUMBER | Unit of frequency |
| X_2_NULL | NUMBER | Number of lock conversions from Exclusive-to-NULL for all blocks in the file |
| X_2_NULL_FORCED_WRITE | NUMBER | Number of forced writes that occur for blocks of the specified file due to Exclusive-to-NULL conversions |
| X_2_NULL_FORCED_STALE | NUMBER | Number of times a block in the file was made STALE due to Exclusive-to-NULL conversions |

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-----------------------|----------|--|
| X_2_S | NUMBER | Number of lock conversions from Exclusive-to-Shared for all blocks in the file |
| X_2_S_FORCED_WRITE | NUMBER | Number of forced writes that occur for blocks of the specified file due to Exclusive-to-Shared conversions |
| X_2_SXX | NUMBER | Number of lock conversions from Exclusive-to-subshared Exclusive for all blocks in the file |
| X_2_SXX_FORCED_WRITE | NUMBER | Number of forced writes that occur for blocks of the specified file due to Exclusive-to-Sub Shared Exclusive conversions |
| S_2_NULL | NUMBER | Number of lock conversions from Shared-to-NULL for all blocks in the file |
| S_2_NULL_FORCED_STALE | NUMBER | Number of times a block in the file was made STALE due to Shared-to-NULL conversions |
| SS_2_NULL | NUMBER | Number of lock conversions from Sub Shared-to-NULL for all blocks in the file |
| SS_2_RLS | NUMBER | Number of pcm sslocks released. |
| WRB | NUMBER | Number of times the instance received a write single buffer cross instance call for this file |
| WRB_FORCED_WRITE | NUMBER | Number of blocks written due to write single buffer cross instance calls for this file |
| RBR | NUMBER | Number of times the instance received a reuse block range cross instance call for this file |
| RBR_FORCED_WRITE | NUMBER | Number of blocks written due to reuse block range cross instance calls for this file |
| RBR_FORCED_STALE | NUMBER | Number of times a block in this file was made STALE due to reuse block range cross instance calls |
| CBR | NUMBER | Number of times the instance received a checkpoint block range cross instance call for this file |
| CBR_FORCED_WRITE | NUMBER | Number of blocks in this file which were written due to checkpoint cross range cross instance calls |
| NULL_2_X | NUMBER | Number of lock conversions from NULL-to-Exclusive for all blocks of the specified file |
| S_2_X | NUMBER | Number of lock conversions from Shared-to-Exclusive for all blocks of the specified file |
| SSX_2_X | NUMBER | Number of lock conversions from Sub Shared Exclusive-to-Exclusive for all blocks of the specified file |
| NULL_2_S | NUMBER | Number of lock conversions from NULL-to-Shared for all blocks of the specified file |
| NULL_2_SS | NUMBER | Number of lock conversions from NULL-to-Sub Shared for all blocks of the specified file |
| OP_2_SS | NUMBER | Number of pcm locks ss locks opened. |

V\$FILESTAT

This view contains information about file read/write statistics.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-----------|----------|--|
| FILE# | NUMBER | Number of the file |
| PHYRDS | NUMBER | Number of physical reads done |
| PHYWRTS | NUMBER | Number of times DBWR is required to write |
| PHYBLKRD | NUMBER | Number of physical blocks read |
| PHYBLKWRT | NUMBER | Number of blocks written to disk; which may be the same as PHYWRTS if all writes are single blocks |
| READTIM | NUMBER | Time (in milliseconds) spent doing reads if the TIMED_STATISTICS parameter is TRUE; 0 if FALSE |
| WRITETIM | NUMBER | Time (in milliseconds) spent doing writes if the TIMED_STATISTICS parameter is TRUE; 0 if FALSE |
| AVGIOTIM | NUMBER | The average time (in milliseconds) spent on I/O, if the TIMED_STATISTICS parameter is TRUE; 0 if FALSE |
| LSTIOTIM | NUMBER | The time (in milliseconds) spent doing the last I/O, if the TIMED_STATISTICS parameter is TRUE; 0 if FALSE |
| MINIOTIM | NUMBER | The minimum time (in milliseconds) spent on a single I/O, if the TIMED_STATISTICS parameter is TRUE; 0 if FALSE |
| MAXIOWTM | NUMBER | The maximum time (in milliseconds) spent doing a single write, if the TIMED_STATISTICS parameter is TRUE; 0 if FALSE |
| MAXIORTM | NUMBER | The maximum time (in milliseconds) spent doing a single read, if the TIMED_STATISTICS parameter is TRUE; 0 if FALSE |

V\$FIXED_TABLE

This view displays all dynamic performance tables, views, and derived tables in the database. Some V\$ tables (for example, V\$ROLLNAME) refer to real tables and are therefore not listed.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-----------|--------------|---|
| NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | Name of the object |
| OBJECT_ID | NUMBER | Identifier of the fixed object |
| TYPE | VARCHAR2(5) | Object type (TABLE VIEW) |
| TABLE_NUM | NUMBER | Number that identifies the dynamic performance table if it is of type TABLE |

V\$FIXED_VIEW_DEFINITION

This view contains the definitions of all the fixed views (views beginning with V\$). Use this table with caution. Oracle tries to keep the behavior of fixed views the same from release to release, but the definitions of the fixed views can change without notice. Use these definitions to optimize your queries by using indexed columns of the dynamic performance tables.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-----------------|-------------------|----------------------------------|
| VIEW_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | The name of the fixed view |
| VIEW_DEFINITION | VARCHAR2 (2000) | The definition of the fixed view |

V\$GC_ELEMENTS_WITH_COLLISIONS

This is an Oracle9i Real Application Clusters view. Use this view to find the locks that protect multiple buffers, each of which has been either force-written or force-read at least 10 times. It is very likely that those buffers are experiencing false pings due to being mapped to the same lock.

See Also: *Oracle9i Real Application Clusters Concepts*

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-----------------|-----------|--|
| GC_ELEMENT_ADDR | RAW (4) | The address of the lock element that contains the PCM lock covering the buffer. If more than one buffer has the same address, then these buffers are covered by the same PCM lock. |

V\$GES_BLOCKING_ENQUEUE

This Oracle9i Real Application Clusters view describes all locks currently known to lock manager that are being blocked or blocking others. The output of this view is a subset of the output from V\$GES_ENQUEUE.

See Also: ["V\\$GES_ENQUEUE"](#) on page 3-60 for a description of all locks known to the lock manager

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-------------|----------------|---------------------------|
| HANDLE | RAW (4) | Lock pointer |
| GRANT_LEVEL | VARCHAR2 (9) | Granted level of the lock |

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|--|
| REQUEST_LEVEL | VARCHAR2 (9) | Requested level of the lock |
| RESOURCE_NAME1 | VARCHAR2 (30) | Resource name for the lock |
| RESOURCE_NAME2 | VARCHAR2 (30) | Resource name for the lock |
| PID | NUMBER | Process identifier which holds the lock |
| TRANSACTION_ID0 | NUMBER | Lower 4 bytes of the transaction identifier where the lock belongs to |
| TRANSACTION_ID1 | NUMBER | Upper 4 bytes of the transaction identifier where the lock belongs to |
| GROUP_ID | NUMBER | Group identifier for the lock |
| OPEN_OPT_DEADLOCK | NUMBER | 1 if DEADLOCK open option is set, otherwise 0 |
| OPEN_OPT_PERSISTENT | NUMBER | 1 if PERSISTENT open option is set, otherwise 0 |
| OPEN_OPT_PROCESS_OWNED | NUMBER | 1 if PROCESS_OWNED open option is set, otherwise 0 |
| OPEN_OPT_NO_XID | NUMBER | 1 if NO_XID open option is set, otherwise 0 |
| CONVERT_OPT_GETVALUE | NUMBER | 1 if GETVALUE convert option is set, otherwise 0 |
| CONVERT_OPT_PUTVALUE | NUMBER | 1 if PUTVALUE convert option is set, otherwise 0 |
| CONVERT_OPT_NOVALUE | NUMBER | 1 if NOVALUE convert option is set, otherwise 0 |
| CONVERT_OPT_DUBVALUE | NUMBER | 1 if DUBVALUE convert option is set, otherwise 0 |
| CONVERT_OPT_NOQUEUE | NUMBER | 1 if NOQUEUE convert option is set, otherwise 0 |
| CONVERT_OPT_EXPRESS | NUMBER | 1 if EXPRESS convert option is set, otherwise 0 |
| CONVERT_OPT_NODEADLOCKWAIT | NUMBER | 1 if NODEADLOCKWAIT convert option is set, otherwise 0 |
| CONVERT_OPT_NODEADLOCKBLOCK | NUMBER | 1 if NODEADLOCKBLOCK convert option is set, otherwise 0 |
| WHICH_QUEUE | NUMBER | Which queue the lock is currently located. 0 for NULL queue; 1 for GRANTED queue; 2 for CONVERT queue. |
| STATE | VARCHAR2 (64) | State of lock as owner sees it |
| AST_EVENT0 | NUMBER | Last AST event |
| OWNER_NODE | NUMBER | Node identifier |
| BLOCKED | NUMBER | 1 if this lock request is blocked by others, otherwise 0 |
| BLOCKER | NUMBER | 1 if this lock is blocking others, otherwise 0 |

V\$GES_CONVERT_LOCAL

V\$GES_CONVERT_LOCAL is a synonym for V\$DLM_CONVERT_LOCAL.

See Also: ["V\\$DLM_CONVERT_LOCAL"](#) on page 3-46

V\$GES_CONVERT_REMOTE

V\$GES_CONVERT_REMOTE is a synonym for V\$DLM_CONVERT_REMOTE.

See Also: ["V\\$DLM_CONVERT_REMOTE"](#) on page 3-47

V\$GES_ENQUEUE

This Oracle9i Real Application Clusters view describes all locks currently known to lock manager.

See Also: ["V\\$GES_BLOCKING_ENQUEUE"](#) on page 3-58 for a description of all such locks that are currently blocking or being blocked

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|------------------------|-----------------|---|
| HANDLE | RAW (4) | Lock pointer |
| GRANT_LEVEL | VARCHAR2 (9) | Granted level of the lock |
| REQUEST_LEVEL | VARCHAR2 (9) | Requested level of the lock |
| RESOURCE_NAME1 | VARCHAR2 (30) | Resource name for the lock |
| RESOURCE_NAME2 | VARCHAR2 (30) | Resource name for the lock |
| PID | NUMBER | Process identifier which holds the lock |
| TRANSACTION_ID0 | NUMBER | Lower 4 bytes of the transaction identifier to which the lock belongs |
| TRANSACTION_ID1 | NUMBER | Upper 4 bytes of the transaction identifier to which the lock belongs |
| GROUP_ID | NUMBER | Group identifier for the lock |
| OPEN_OPT_DEADLOCK | NUMBER | 1 if DEADLOCK open option is set, otherwise 0 |
| OPEN_OPT_PERSISTENT | NUMBER | 1 if PERSISTENT open option is set, otherwise 0 |
| OPEN_OPT_PROCESS_OWNED | NUMBER | 1 if PROCESS_OWNED open option is set, otherwise 0 |
| OPEN_OPT_NO_XID | NUMBER | 1 if NO_XID open option is set, otherwise 0 |
| CONVERT_OPT_GETVALUE | NUMBER | 1 if GETVALUE convert option is set, otherwise 0 |
| CONVERT_OPT_PUTVALUE | NUMBER | 1 if PUTVALUE convert option is set, otherwise 0 |
| CONVERT_OPT_NOVALUE | NUMBER | 1 if NOVALUE convert option is set, otherwise 0 |

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|--|
| CONVERT_OPT_DUBVALUE | NUMBER | 1 if DUBVALUE convert option is set, otherwise 0 |
| CONVERT_OPT_NOQUEUE | NUMBER | 1 if NOQUEUE convert option is set, otherwise 0 |
| CONVERT_OPT_EXPRESS | NUMBER | 1 if EXPRESS convert option is set, otherwise 0 |
| CONVERT_OPT_NODEADLOCKWAIT | NUMBER | 1 if NODEADLOCKWAIT convert option is set, otherwise 0 |
| CONVERT_OPT_NODEADLOCKBLOCK | NUMBER | 1 if NODEADLOCKBLOCK convert option is set, otherwise 0 |
| WHICH_QUEUE | NUMBER | Which queue the lock is currently located. 0 for NULL queue; 1 for GRANTED queue; 2 for CONVERT queue. |
| STATE | VARCHAR2 (64) | State of the lock as the owner sees it |
| AST_EVENT0 | NUMBER | Last AST event |
| OWNER_NODE | NUMBER | Node identifier |
| BLOCKED | NUMBER | 1 if this lock request is blocked by others, otherwise 0 |
| BLOCKER | NUMBER | 1 if this lock is blocking others, otherwise 0 |

V\$GES_LATCH

V\$GES_LATCH is a synonym for V\$DLM_LATCH.

See Also: ["V\\$DLM_LATCH"](#) on page 3-48

V\$GES_RESOURCE

V\$GES_RESOURCE is a synonym for V\$DLM_RESS.

See Also: ["V\\$DLM_RESS"](#) on page 3-49

V\$GES_STATISTICS

V\$GES_STATISTICS is a synonym for V\$DLM_MISC.

See Also: ["V\\$DLM_MISC"](#) on page 3-49

V\$GLOBAL_BLOCKED_LOCKS

This view displays global blocked locks.

V\$GLOBAL_TRANSACTION

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|---------|----------------|---|
| ADDR | RAW (4) | Address of lock state object (raw) |
| KADDR | RAW (4) | Address of lock (raw) |
| SID | NUMBER | Identifier of session holding the lock (number) |
| TYPE | VARCHAR2 (2) | Resource type (char) |
| ID1 | NUMBER | Resource identifier #1 (number) |
| ID2 | NUMBER | Resource identifier #2 (number) |
| LMODE | NUMBER | Lock mode held (number) |
| REQUEST | NUMBER | Lock mode requested (number) |
| CTIME | NUMBER | Time since current mode was granted |

V\$GLOBAL_TRANSACTION

This view displays information on the currently active global transactions.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------------|-----------------|--|
| FORMATID | NUMBER | Format identifier of the global transaction |
| GLOBALID | RAW (64) | Global transaction identifier of the global transaction |
| BRANCHID | RAW (64) | Branch qualifier of the global transaction |
| BRANCHES | NUMBER | Total number of branches in the global transaction |
| REFCOUNT | NUMBER | Number of siblings for this global transaction, must be the same as branches |
| PREPARECOUNT | NUMBER | Number of branches of the global transaction that have prepared |
| STATE | VARCHAR2 (18) | State of the branch of the global transaction |
| FLAGS | NUMBER | The numerical representation of the state |
| COUPLING | VARCHAR2 (15) | Whether the branches are loosely coupled or tightly coupled |

V\$HS_AGENT

This view identifies the set of HS agents currently running on a given host, using one row per agent process.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|----------|-----------------|---|
| AGENT_ID | NUMBER | Net8 session identifier used for connections to agent (the identifier used in the LISTENER.ORA file). Maps to the AGENT_ID column of V\$HS_AGENT. |
| MACHINE | VARCHAR2 (64) | Operating system machine name |

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------------|-----------------|--|
| PROCESS | VARCHAR2 (9) | Operating system process identifier of agent |
| PROGRAM | VARCHAR2 (48) | Program name of agent |
| OSUSER | VARCHAR2 (30) | Operating system user |
| STARTTIME | DATE | The starting time |
| AGENT_TYPE | NUMBER | Type of agent |
| FDS_CLASS_ID | NUMBER | The ID of the Foreign Data Store class |
| FDS_INST_ID | NUMBER | The instance name of the Foreign Data Store |

V\$HS_PARAMETER

This view describes the initialization parameters in use by the server and agent.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|---------------|-----------------|---|
| HS_SESSION_ID | NUMBER | Unique HS session identifier. This column maps to the HS_SESSION_ID column of V\$HS_SESSION. |
| PARAMETER | VARCHAR2 (64) | Name of the parameter |
| VALUE | VARCHAR2 (64) | Value of the parameter |
| SOURCE | CHAR (1) | Whether the parameter was defined in the agent (A) or server (S) |
| ENV | CHAR (1) | Whether the parameter was also set as an environment variable in the agent or elsewhere (T F) |

V\$HS_SESSION

This view describes the current HS session.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|---------------|------------------|--|
| HS_SESSION_ID | NUMBER | Unique HS session identifier |
| AGENT_ID | NUMBER | Net8 session identifier used for connections to the agent. Maps to the AGENT_ID column of V\$HS_AGENT. |
| SID | NUMBER | User session identifier. Maps to the SID column of V\$SESSION. |
| DB_LINK | VARCHAR2 (128) | Server database link name used to access the agent. Blank if no database link is used (for example, when using external procedures). |
| DB_LINK_OWNER | NUMBER | Owner of the database link in DB_LINK |
| STARTTIME | DATE | Time the connection was initiated |

V\$INDEXED_FIXED_COLUMN

This view displays the columns in dynamic performance tables that are indexed (x\$ tables). The x\$ tables can change without notice. Use this view only to write queries against fixed views (v\$ views) more efficiently.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-----------------|-----------------|---|
| TABLE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | The name of the dynamic performance table that is indexed |
| INDEX_NUMBER | NUMBER | Number that distinguishes to which index a column belongs |
| COLUMN_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | Name of the column that is being indexed |
| COLUMN_POSITION | NUMBER | Position of the column in the index key (this is mostly relevant for multicolumn indexes) |

V\$INSTANCE

This view displays the state of the current instance. This version of V\$INSTANCE is not compatible with earlier versions of V\$INSTANCE.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-----------------|-----------------|---|
| INSTANCE_NUMBER | NUMBER | Instance number used for instance registration. Corresponds to INSTANCE_NUMBER initialization parameter. See Also: "INSTANCE_NUMBER" |
| INSTANCE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (16) | Instance name |
| HOST_NAME | VARCHAR2 (64) | Name of the host machine |
| VERSION | VARCHAR2 (17) | RDBMS version |
| STARTUP_TIME | DATE | Time when instance was started up |
| STATUS | VARCHAR2 (7) | STARTED/MOUNTED/OPEN STARTED after startup nomount MOUNTED after startup mount or alter database close OPEN after startup or after database open |
| PARALLEL | VARCHAR2 (3) | (YES NO) in Oracle Application Cluster mode |
| THREAD# | NUMBER | Redo thread opened by the instance |
| ARCHIVER | VARCHAR2 (7) | (STOPPED STARTED FAILED) FAILED means that the archiver failed to archive a log last time, but will try again within 5 minutes |
| LOG_SWITCH_WAIT | VARCHAR2 (11) | The ARCHIVE LOG/CLEAR LOG/CHECKPOINT event log switching is waiting for. Note that if ALTER SYSTEM SWITCH LOGFILE is hung, but there is room in the current online redo log, then value is NULL |
| LOGINS | VARCHAR2 (10) | ALLOWED RESTRICTED |

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|------------------|-----------------|---|
| SHUTDOWN_PENDING | VARCHAR2 (3) | YES NO |
| DATABASE_STATUS | VARCHAR2 (17) | The status of the database |
| INSTANCE_ROLE | VARCHAR2 (16) | Describes whether the instance is an active instance (PRIMARY_INSTANCE) or a inactive secondary instance (SECONDARY_INSTANCE), or UNKNOWN if the instance has been started but not mounted |
| ACTIVE_STATE | VARCHAR2 (9) | <p>(NORMAL QUIESCING QUIESCED).</p> <p>NORMAL indicates the database is in a normal state.</p> <p>QUIESCING indicates that the ALTER SYSTEM QUIESCE RESTRICTED statement has been issued: no new user transactions, queries, or PL/SQL statements are processed in this instance. User transactions, queries, or PL/SQL statements issued before the ALTER SYSTEM QUIESCE RESTRICTED statement are unaffected. DBA transactions, queries, or PL/SQL statements are also unaffected.</p> <p>QUIESCED indicates that the ALTER SYSTEM QUIESCE RESTRICTED statement has been issued: no user transactions, queries, or PL/SQL statements are processed. DBA transactions, queries, or PL/SQL statements are unaffected. User transactions, queries, or PL/SQL statements issued after the ALTER SYSTEM QUIESCE RESTRICTED statement are not processed.</p> <p>Note that a single ALTER SYSTEM QUIESCE RESTRICTED statement quiesces all instances in an Oracle9i Real Application Clusters environment. After this statement has been issued, some instances may enter into a quiesced state before other instances; the system is quiesced when all instances enter the quiesced state.</p> |

V\$INSTANCE_RECOVERY

This view monitors the mechanisms available to users to limit recovery I/O. Those mechanisms are:

- Set the initialization parameter LOG_CHECKPOINT_TIMEOUT
- Set the initialization parameter LOG_CHECKPOINT_INTERVAL
- Set the initialization parameter FAST_START_MTTR_TARGET
- Set the size of the smallest redo log

See Also:

- *Oracle9i Database Performance Guide and Reference* for more information on limiting recovery I/O, and how MTTR recovery times are determined by Oracle
- [LOG_CHECKPOINT_INTERVAL](#) on page 1-85
- [FAST_START_MTTR_TARGET](#) on page 1-57

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------------------------------|----------|---|
| RECOVERY_ESTIMATED_IOS | NUMBER | Contains the number of dirty buffers in the buffer cache. In the Standard Edition, this column is always NULL. |
| ACTUAL_REDO_BKLS | NUMBER | The current actual number of redo blocks required for recovery |
| TARGET_REDO_BKLS | NUMBER | The current target number of redo blocks that must be processed for recovery. This value is the minimum value of the following 3 columns, and identifies which of the 3 user-defined limits determines checkpointing. |
| LOG_FILE_SIZE_REDO_BKLS | NUMBER | Maximum number of redo blocks required to guarantee that a log switch does not occur before the checkpoint completes. |
| LOG_CHKPT_TIMEOUT_REDO_BKLS | NUMBER | Number of redo blocks that need to be processed during recovery to satisfy the LOG_CHECKPOINT_TIMEOUT parameter. The value displayed is not meaningful unless that parameter has been set. |
| LOG_CHKPT_INTERVAL_REDO_BKLS | NUMBER | Number of redo blocks that need to be processed during recovery to satisfy the LOG_CHECKPOINT_INTERVAL parameter. The value displayed is not meaningful unless that parameter has been set. |
| FAST_START_IO_TARGET_REDO_BKLS | NUMBER | This column is obsolete and maintained only for compatibility reasons. The value of this column is always NULL. |
| TARGET_MTTR | NUMBER | Effective MTTR (mean time to recover) target value in seconds. The TARGET_MTTR value is calculated based on the value of the FAST_START_MTTR_TARGET parameter (the TARGET_MTTR value is used internally), and is usually an approximation of the parameter's value. However, if the FAST_START_MTTR_TARGET parameter value is very small (for example, one second), or very large (for example, 3600 seconds), the calculation will produce a target value dictated by system limitations. In such cases, the TARGET_MTTR value will be the shortest calculated time, or the longest calculated time that recovery is expected to take. If FAST_START_MTTR_TARGET is not specified, the value of this field is the current estimated MTTR. |
| ESTIMATED_MTTR | NUMBER | The current estimated mean time to recover (MTTR) based on the number of dirty buffers and log blocks (0 if FAST_START_MTTR_TARGET is not specified). Basically, this value tells you how long you could expect recovery to take based on the work your system is doing right now. |

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-------------------|----------|---|
| CKPT_BLOCK_WRITES | NUMBER | Number of blocks written by checkpoint writes |

V\$LATCH

This view lists statistics for non-parent latches and summary statistics for parent latches. That is, the statistics for a parent latch include counts from each of its children.

Note: Columns SLEEP5, SLEEP6,... SLEEP11 are present for compatibility with previous versions of Oracle. No data are accumulated for these columns.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|---------------------|-----------------|---|
| ADDR | RAW (4) | Address of latch object |
| LATCH# | NUMBER | Latch number |
| LEVEL# | NUMBER | Latch level |
| NAME | VARCHAR2 (64) | Latch name |
| GETS | NUMBER | Number of times obtained a wait |
| MISSES | NUMBER | Number of times obtained a wait but failed on the first try |
| SLEEPS | NUMBER | Number of times slept when wanted a wait |
| IMMEDIATE_GETS | NUMBER | Number of times obtained without a wait |
| IMMEDIATE_MISSES | NUMBER | Number of times failed to get without a wait |
| WAITERS_WOKEN | NUMBER | How many times a wait was awakened |
| WAITS_HOLDING_LATCH | NUMBER | Number of waits while holding a different latch |
| SPIN_GETS | NUMBER | Gets that missed first try but succeeded on spin |
| SLEEP1 ... SLEEP11 | NUMBER | Waits that slept 1 time through 11 times, respectively |

V\$LATCH_CHILDREN

This view contains statistics about child latches. This view includes all columns of V\$LATCH plus the CHILD# column. Note that child latches have the same parent if their LATCH# columns match each other.

See Also: ["V\\$LATCH"](#) on page 3-67

V\$LATCH_MISSES

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|---------------------|-----------------|---|
| ADDR | RAW (4) | Address of latch object |
| LATCH# | NUMBER | Latch number for a parent latch |
| CHILD# | NUMBER | Child number of a parent latch shown in LATCH# |
| LEVEL# | NUMBER | Latch level |
| NAME | VARCHAR2 (64) | Latch name |
| GETS | NUMBER | Number of times obtained a wait |
| MISSES | NUMBER | Number of times obtained a wait but failed on the first try |
| SLEEPS | NUMBER | Number of times slept when wanted a wait |
| IMMEDIATE_GETS | NUMBER | Number of times obtained without a wait |
| IMMEDIATE_MISSES | NUMBER | Number of time failed to get without a wait |
| WAITERS_WOKEN | NUMBER | How many times a wait was awakened |
| WAITS_HOLDING_LATCH | NUMBER | Number of waits while holding a different latch |
| SPIN_GETS | NUMBER | Gets that missed first try but succeeded on spin |
| SLEEPn | NUMBER | Waits that slept <i>n</i> times |

V\$LATCH_MISSES

This view contains statistics about missed attempts to acquire a latch.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|----------------|-----------------|---|
| PARENT_NAME | VARCHAR2 (50) | Latch name of a parent latch |
| WHERE | VARCHAR2 (64) | This column is obsolete and maintained only for compatibility reasons. The value of this column is always equal to the value in LOCATION. |
| NWFAIL_COUNT | NUMBER | Number of times that no-wait acquisition of the latch failed |
| SLEEP_COUNT | NUMBER | Number of times that acquisition attempts caused sleeps |
| WTR_SLP_COUNT | NUMBER | |
| LONGHOLD_COUNT | NUMBER | |
| LOCATION | VARCHAR2 (64) | Location that attempted to acquire the latch |

V\$LATCH_PARENT

This view contains statistics about the parent latch. The columns of V\$LATCH_PARENT are identical to those in V\$LATCH.

See Also: ["V\\$LATCH"](#) on page 3-67

V\$LATCHHOLDER

This view contains information about the current latch holders.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------|-----------|---|
| PID | NUMBER | Identifier of process holding the latch |
| SID | NUMBER | Identifier of the session that owns the latch |
| LADDR | RAW (4) | Latch address |
| NAME | VARCHAR2 | Name of latch being held |

V\$LATCHNAME

This view contains information about decoded latch names for the latches shown in V\$LATCH. The rows of V\$LATCHNAME have a one-to-one correspondence to the rows of V\$LATCH.

See Also: ["V\\$LATCH"](#) on page 3-67

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------|-----------------|--------------|
| LATCH# | NUMBER | Latch number |
| NAME | VARCHAR2 (64) | Latch name |

V\$LIBRARYCACHE

This view contains statistics about library cache performance and activity.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-------------|-----------------|---|
| NAMESPACE | VARCHAR2 (15) | The library cache namespace |
| GETS | NUMBER | The number of times a lock was requested for objects of this namespace |
| GETHITS | NUMBER | The number of times an object's handle was found in memory |
| GETHITRATIO | NUMBER | The ratio of GETHITS to GETS |
| PINS | NUMBER | The number of times a PIN was requested for objects of this namespace |
| PINHITS | NUMBER | The number of times all of the metadata pieces of the library object were found in memory |

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| Column | Datatype | Description |
|---------------------------|----------|---|
| PINHITRATIO | NUMBER | The ratio of PINHITS to PINS |
| RELOADS | NUMBER | Any PIN of an object that is not the first PIN performed since the object handle was created, and which requires loading the object from disk |
| INVALIDATIONS | NUMBER | The total number of times objects in this namespace were marked invalid because a dependent object was modified |
| DLM_LOCK_REQUESTS | NUMBER | The number of GET requests lock instance locks |
| DLM_PIN_REQUESTS | NUMBER | The number of PIN requests lock instance locks |
| DLM_PIN_RELEASES | NUMBER | The number of release requests PIN instance locks |
| DLM_INVALIDATION_REQUESTS | NUMBER | The number of GET requests for invalidation instance locks |
| DLM_INVALIDATIONS | NUMBER | The number of invalidation pings received from other instances |

V\$LICENSE

This view contains information about license limits.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------------------|----------|---|
| SESSIONS_MAX | NUMBER | Maximum number of concurrent user sessions allowed for the instance |
| SESSIONS_WARNING | NUMBER | Warning limit for concurrent user sessions for the instance |
| SESSIONS_CURRENT | NUMBER | Current number of concurrent user sessions |
| SESSIONS_HIGHWATER | NUMBER | Highest number of concurrent user sessions since the instance started |
| USERS_MAX | NUMBER | Maximum number of named users allowed for the database |

V\$LOADCSTAT

This view contains SQL*Loader statistics compiled during the execution of a direct load. These statistics apply to the whole load. Any `SELECT` against this table results in "no rows returned" since you cannot load data and do a query at the same time.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|----------|----------|--|
| READ | NUMBER | Number of records read |
| REJECTED | NUMBER | Number of records rejected |
| TDISCARD | NUMBER | Total number of discards during the load |
| NDISCARD | NUMBER | Number of discards from the current file |

V\$LOADTSTAT

SQL*Loader statistics compiled during the execution of a direct load. These statistics apply to the current table. Any `SELECT` against this table results in "no rows returned" since you cannot load data and do a query at the same time.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-----------|----------|---|
| LOADED | NUMBER | Number of records loaded |
| REJECTED | NUMBER | Number of records rejected |
| FAILWHEN | NUMBER | Number of records that failed to meet any <code>WHEN</code> clause |
| ALLNULL | NUMBER | Number of records that were completely null and were therefore not loaded |
| LEFT2SKIP | NUMBER | Number of records yet to skip during a continued load |
| PTNLOADED | NUMBER | Number of records loaded PTN |

V\$LOCK

This view lists the locks currently held by the Oracle server and outstanding requests for a lock or latch.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------|----------------|---|
| ADDR | RAW (4) | Address of lock state object |
| KADDR | RAW (4) | Address of lock |
| SID | NUMBER | Identifier for session holding or acquiring the lock |
| TYPE | VARCHAR2 (2) | Type of user or system lock The locks on the user types are obtained by user applications. Any process that is blocking others is likely to be holding one of these locks. The user type locks are: TM - DML enqueue TX - Transaction enqueue UL - User supplied The locks on the system types are held for extremely short periods of time. The system type locks are listed in Table 3-1 . |
| ID1 | NUMBER | Lock identifier #1 (depends on type) |
| ID2 | NUMBER | Lock identifier #2 (depends on type) |

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|---------|----------|--|
| LMODE | NUMBER | Lock mode in which the session holds the lock: <ul style="list-style-type: none">0 - none1 - null (NULL)2 - row-S (SS)3 - row-X (SX)4 - share (S)5 - S/Row-X (SSX)6 - exclusive (X) |
| REQUEST | NUMBER | Lock mode in which the process requests the lock: <ul style="list-style-type: none">0 - none1 - null (NULL)2 - row-S (SS)3 - row-X (SX)4 - share (S)5 - S/Row-X (SSX)6 - exclusive (X) |
| CTIME | NUMBER | Time since current mode was granted |
| BLOCK | NUMBER | The lock is blocking another lock |

Table 3–1 Values for the TYPE Column: System Types

| System Type | Description | System Type | Description |
|-------------|---|-------------|--|
| BL | Buffer hash table instance | NA . . NZ | Library cache pin instance (A . . Z = namespace) |
| CF | Control file schema global enqueue | PF | Password File |
| CI | Cross-instance function invocation instance | PI , PS | Parallel operation |
| CU | Cursor bind | PR | Process startup |
| DF | Data file instance | QA . . QZ | Row cache instance (A . . Z = cache) |
| DL | Direct loader parallel index create | RT | Redo thread global enqueue |
| DM | Mount/startup db primary/secondary instance | SC | System commit number instance |
| DR | Distributed recovery process | SM | SMON |
| DX | Distributed transaction entry | SN | Sequence number instance |
| FS | File set | SQ | Sequence number enqueue |

Table 3–1 (Cont.) Values for the TYPE Column: System Types

| System Type | Description | System Type | Description |
|-------------|---|-------------|--------------------------------------|
| HW | Space management operations on a specific segment | SS | Sort segment |
| IN | Instance number | ST | Space transaction enqueue |
| IR | Instance recovery serialization global enqueue | SV | Sequence number value |
| IS | Instance state | TA | Generic enqueue |
| IV | Library cache invalidation instance | TS | Temporary segment enqueue (ID2=0) |
| JQ | Job queue | TS | New block allocation enqueue (ID2=1) |
| KK | Thread kick | TT | Temporary table enqueue |
| LA . . LP | Library cache lock instance lock (A..P = namespace) | UN | User name |
| MM | Mount definition global enqueue | US | Undo segment DDL |
| MR | Media recovery | WL | Being-written redo log instance |

V\$LOCK_ACTIVITY

This is an Oracle9i Real Application Clusters view. V\$LOCK_ACTIVITY displays the DLM lock operation activity of the current instance. Each row corresponds to a type of lock operation.

See Also: *Oracle9i Real Application Clusters Concepts*

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|----------|----------------|---|
| FROM_VAL | VARCHAR2 (4) | PCM lock initial state: NULL; S; X; SSX |
| TO_VAL | VARCHAR2 (4) | PCM lock initial state: NULL; S; X; SSX |

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|------------|-----------------|---|
| ACTION_VAL | VARCHAR2 (51) | Description of lock conversions: <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Lock buffers for read▪ Lock buffers for write▪ Make buffers CR (no write)▪ Upgrade read lock to write▪ Make buffers CR (write dirty buffers)▪ Downgrade write lock to read (write dirty buffers)▪ Write transaction table/undo blocks▪ Transaction table/undo blocks (write dirty buffers)▪ Make transaction table/undo blocks available share▪ Rearm transaction table write mechanism |
| COUNTER | NUMBER | Number of times the lock operation executed |

V\$LOCK_ELEMENT

This is an Oracle9i Real Application Clusters view. There is one entry in V\$LOCK_ELEMENT for each PCM lock that is used by the buffer cache. The name of the PCM lock that corresponds to a lock element is { 'BL', indx, class}.

See Also: Oracle9i Real Application Clusters Concepts

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-------------------|-----------|--|
| LOCK_ELEMENT_ADDR | RAW (4) | The address of the lock element that contains the PCM lock that is covering the buffer. If more than one buffer has the same address, then these buffers are covered by the same PCM lock. |
| INDX | NUMBER | Platform specific lock manager identifier |
| CLASS | NUMBER | Platform specific lock manager identifier |
| LOCK_ELEMENT_NAME | NUMBER | The name of the lock that contains the PCM lock that is covering the buffer |
| MODE_HELD | NUMBER | Platform dependent value for lock mode held; often: 3 = share; 5 = exclusive |
| BLOCK_COUNT | NUMBER | Number of blocks covered by PCM lock |
| RELEASING | NUMBER | Nonzero if PCM lock is being downgraded |
| ACQUIRING | NUMBER | Nonzero if PCM lock is being upgraded |
| INVALID | NUMBER | Nonzero if PCM lock is invalid (a lock may become invalid after a system failure) |
| FLAGS | NUMBER | Process level flags for the lock element |

V\$LOCKED_OBJECT

This view lists all locks acquired by every transaction on the system.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-----------------|-----------------|------------------------|
| XIDUSN | NUMBER | Undo segment number |
| XIDSLOT | NUMBER | Slot number |
| XIDSQN | NUMBER | Sequence number |
| OBJECT_ID | NUMBER | Object ID being locked |
| SESSION_ID | NUMBER | Session ID |
| ORACLE_USERNAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | Oracle user name |
| OS_USER_NAME | VARCHAR2 (15) | OS user name |
| PROCESS | VARCHAR2 (9) | OS process ID |
| LOCKED_MODE | NUMBER | Lock mode |

V\$LOCKS_WITH_COLLISIONS

This is an Oracle9i Real Application Clusters view. Use this view to find the locks that protect multiple buffers, each of which has been either force-written or force-read at least 10 times. It is very likely that those buffers are experiencing false pings due to being mapped to the same lock.

See Also: *Oracle9i Real Application Clusters Concepts*

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-------------------|-----------|--|
| LOCK_ELEMENT_ADDR | RAW (4) | The address of the lock element that contains the PCM lock covering the buffer. If more than one buffer has the same address, then these buffers are covered by the same PCM lock. |

V\$LOG

This view contains log file information from the control files.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-----------|----------|---------------------|
| GROUP# | NUMBER | Log group number |
| THREAD# | NUMBER | Log thread number |
| SEQUENCE# | NUMBER | Log sequence number |

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|---------------|-----------------|--|
| BYTES | NUMBER | Size of the log in bytes |
| MEMBERS | NUMBER | Number of members in the log group |
| ARCHIVED | VARCHAR2 | Archive status (YES NO) |
| STATUS | VARCHAR2 (16) | Log status: <ul style="list-style-type: none">■ UNUSED - The online redo log has never been written to. This is the state of a redo log that was just added, or just after a RESETLOGS, when it is not the current redo log.■ CURRENT - This is the current redo log. This implies that the redo log is active. The redo log could be open or closed.■ ACTIVE - The log is active but is not the current log. It is needed for crash recovery. It may be in use for block recovery. It might or might not be archived.■ CLEARING - The log is being re-created as an empty log after an ALTER DATABASE CLEAR LOGFILE statement. After the log is cleared, the status changes to UNUSED.■ CLEARING_CURRENT - The current log is being cleared of a closed thread. The log can stay in this status if there is some failure in the switch such as an I/O error writing the new log header.■ INACTIVE - The log is no longer needed for instance recovery. It may be in use for media recovery. It might or might not be archived. |
| FIRST_CHANGE# | NUMBER | Lowest SCN in the log |
| FIRST_TIME | DATE | Time of first SCN in the log |

V\$LOG_HISTORY

This view contains log history information from the control file.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|---------------|----------|---|
| THREAD# | NUMBER | Thread number of the archived log |
| SEQUENCE# | NUMBER | Sequence number of the archived log |
| FIRST_TIME | DATE | Time of first entry (lowest SCN) in the log. This column was previously named TIME. |
| FIRST_CHANGE# | NUMBER | Lowest SCN in the log. This column was previously named LOW_CHANGE#. |
| NEXT_CHANGE# | NUMBER | Highest SCN in the log. This column was previously named HIGH_CHANGE#. |
| RECID | NUMBER | Control file record ID |
| STAMP | NUMBER | Control file record stamp |

V\$LOGFILE

This view contains information about redo log files.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------|----------|--|
| GROUP# | NUMBER | Redo log group identifier number |
| STATUS | VARCHAR2 | Status of this log member: INVALID (file is inaccessible), STALE (file's contents are incomplete), DELETED (file is no longer used), or blank (file is in use) |
| MEMBER | VARCHAR2 | Redo log member name |

V\$LOGHIST

This view contains log history information from the control file. This view is retained for historical compatibility. Oracle recommends that you use V\$LOG_HISTORY instead.

See Also: ["V\\$LOG_HISTORY"](#) on page 3-76

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|----------------|----------|--|
| THREAD# | NUMBER | Log thread number |
| SEQUENCE# | NUMBER | Log sequence number |
| FIRST_CHANGE# | NUMBER | Lowest SCN in the log |
| FIRST_TIME | DATE | Time of first SCN in the log |
| SWITCH_CHANGE# | NUMBER | SCN at which the log switch occurred; one more than highest SCN in the log |

V\$LOGMNR_CONTENTS

This view contains log history information.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|------------------|---------------|--------------------------|
| SCN | NUMBER (15) | The system change number |
| CSN | NUMBER | |
| TIMESTAMP | DATE | The timestamp |
| COMMIT_TIMESTAMP | DATE | |
| THREAD# | NUMBER | The thread number |
| LOG_ID | NUMBER | The log ID |

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|----------------|----------------|--|
| XIDUSN | NUMBER | The transaction ID undo segment number |
| XIDSLT | NUMBER | The transaction ID slot number |
| XIDSQN | NUMBER | The transaction ID log sequence number |
| RBASQN | NUMBER | The RBA log sequence number |
| RBABLK | NUMBER | The RBA block number |
| RBABYTE | NUMBER | The RBA byte offset |
| UBAFIL | NUMBER | The UBA file number |
| UBABLK | NUMBER | The UBA block number |
| UBAREC | NUMBER | The UBA record index |
| UBASQN | NUMBER | The UBA undo block sequence number |
| ABS_FILE# | NUMBER | The data block absolute file number |
| REL_FILE# | NUMBER | The data block relative file number |
| DATA_BLK# | NUMBER | The data block number |
| DATA_OBJ# | NUMBER | The data block object number |
| DATA_DOBJ# | NUMBER | The data block data object number |
| SEG_OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | The owner name of the segment |
| SEG_NAME | VARCHAR2(81) | The segment name |
| SEG_TYPE | NUMBER | The segment type |
| SEG_TYPE_NAME | VARCHAR2(32) | The segment type name |
| TABLE_SPACE | VARCHAR2(30) | The tablespace name of segment |
| ROW_ID | VARCHAR2(18) | The row ID |
| SESSION# | NUMBER | The session number |
| SERIAL# | NUMBER | The serial number |
| USERNAME | VARCHAR2(30) | The user name |
| SESSION_INFO | VARCHAR2(4000) | Session information |
| ROLLBACK | NUMBER | The rollback request |
| OPERATION | VARCHAR2(30) | The operation |
| OPERATION_CODE | NUMBER | The operation code |
| SQL_REDO | VARCHAR2(4000) | SQL redo |
| SQL_UNDO | VARCHAR2(4000) | SQL undo |
| RS_ID | VARCHAR2(30) | Record set ID |
| SSN | NUMBER | SQL sequence number |

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-----------------|-----------------|--|
| CSF | NUMBER | Continuation SQL flag |
| INFO | VARCHAR2 (32) | Informational message |
| STATUS | VARCHAR2 (16) | The status |
| REDO_VALUE | RAW(4) | |
| UNDO_VALUE | RAW(4) | |
| SQL_COLUMN_TYPE | VARCHAR2(32) | Type of data in the SQL_REDO and SQL_UNDO columns |
| SQL_COLUMN_NAME | VARCHAR2(32) | The name of the LOB or LONG columns |
| REDO_LENGTH | NUMBER | The length of the data value in the SQL_REDO column. |
| REDO_OFFSET | NUMBER | The length of the data value in the SQL_REDO column |
| UNDO_LENGTH | NUMBER | The length of the data value in the SQL_UNDO column |
| UNDO_OFFSET | NUMBER | If SQL_COLUMN_TYPE is LOB_COLUMN or LONG_COLUMN then this column contains the byte offset of the SQL_UNDO column data in the column indicated by SQL_COLUMN_NAME. Zero by default. |

V\$logmnr_dictionary

This view contains log history information.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------------------|------------------|--|
| TIMESTAMP | DATE | The date the dictionary was created |
| DB_ID | NUMBER | The database ID |
| DB_NAME | VARCHAR2 (8) | The name of the database |
| FILENAME | VARCHAR2 (513) | The dictionary filename |
| DICTIONARY_SCN | NUMBER | The system change number when the dictionary was created |
| RESET_SCN | NUMBER | The reset log SCN when the dictionary was created |
| RESET_SCN_TIME | NUMBER | The time when the reset log SCN was obtained to create the dictionary |
| ENABLED_THREAD_MAP | RAW (16) | Bit map of currently enabled threads when the dictionary was created |
| INFO | VARCHAR2 (32) | Informational/Status message BAD_DATE indicates that the SCN of the dictionary file does not match the SCN range of the log files |
| STATUS | NUMBER | A NULL indicates a valid dictionary file for the list of log files. A non-NULL value indicates further information is contained in the INFO column as a text string. |

V\$LOGMNR_LOGS

This view contains log information.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|----------------|------------------|--|
| LOG_ID | NUMBER | Identifies the log file. |
| FILENAME | VARCHAR2 (513) | The filename |
| LOW_TIME | DATE | The oldest date of any records in the file |
| HIGH_TIME | DATE | The most recent date of any records in the file |
| DB_ID | NUMBER | The database ID |
| DB_NAME | VARCHAR2 (8) | The name of the database |
| RESET_SCN | NUMBER | The reset log SCN when the log was created |
| RESET_SCN_TIME | NUMBER | The time when the reset log SCN was obtained to create the log |
| THREAD_ID | NUMBER | The thread number |
| THREAD_SQN | NUMBER | The thread sequence number |
| LOW_SCN | NUMBER | SCN allocated when log switched into |
| NEXT_SCN | NUMBER | SCN after this log. Low SCN of the next log. |
| INFO | VARCHAR2 (32) | Informational message. A value of MISSING_LOGFILE will be assigned to a row entry where a needed logfile is missing from the list of log files. |
| STATUS | NUMBER | Indicates the status of a logfile. A NULL value indicates a valid logfile; a non-NULL value indicates further information is contained in the INFO column as a text string. All logfiles successfully added to the file list will have a status value of NULL. |

V\$LOGMNR_PARAMETERS

This view contains log information.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|------------|-----------------|---|
| START_DATE | DATE | The date to start search at |
| END_DATE | DATE | The date to end search at |
| START_SCN | NUMBER | The system change number to start search |
| END_SCN | NUMBER | The system change number to end search |
| INFO | VARCHAR2 (32) | An informational message |
| STATUS | NUMBER | The status. A NULL value indicates parameters are valid. A non-NULL value indicates further information is contained in the INFO column as a text string. |

V\$MTS

This view contains information for tuning the shared server.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|---------------------|----------|--|
| MAXIMUM_CONNECTIONS | NUMBER | The highest number of virtual circuits in use at one time since the instance started. If this value reaches the value set for the <code>CIRCUITS</code> initialization parameter, consider raising the value of <code>CIRCUITS</code> . See Also: "CIRCUITS" on page 1-23 |
| MAXIMUM_SESSIONS | NUMBER | The highest number of shared server sessions in use at one time since the instance started. If this reaches the value set for the <code>SHARED_SERVER_SESSIONS</code> initialization parameter, consider raising the value of <code>SHARED_SERVER_SESSIONS</code> . See Also: "SHARED_SERVER_SESSIONS" on page 1-157 |
| SERVERS_STARTED | NUMBER | The total number of shared servers started since the instance started (but not including those started during startup) |
| SERVERS_TERMINATED | NUMBER | The total number of shared servers stopped by Oracle since the instance started |
| SERVERS_HIGHWATER | NUMBER | The highest number of servers running at one time since the instance started. If this value reaches the value set for the <code>MAX_SHARED_SERVERS</code> initialization parameter, consider raising the value of <code>SHARED_SERVERS</code> . See Also: "SHARED_SERVERS" on page 1-157 |

V\$MYSTAT

This view contains statistics on the current session.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|------------|----------|-------------------------------|
| SID | NUMBER | The ID of the current session |
| STATISTIC# | NUMBER | The number of the statistic |
| VALUE | NUMBER | The value of the statistic |

V\$NLS_PARAMETERS

This view contains current values of NLS parameters.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-----------|----------|--|
| PARAMETER | VARCHAR2 | Parameter name: <code>NLS_CALENDAR</code> , <code>NLS_CHARACTERSET</code> , <code>NLS_CURRENCY</code> , <code>NLS_DATE_FORMAT</code> , <code>NLS_DATE_LANGUAGE</code> , <code>NLS_ISO_CURRENCY</code> , <code>NLS_LANGUAGE</code> , <code>NLS_NUMERIC_CHARACTERS</code> , <code>NLS_SORT</code> , <code>NLS_TERRITORY</code> , <code>NLS_UNION_CURRENCY</code> , <code>NLS_NCHAR_CHARACTERSET</code> , <code>NLS_COMP</code> |

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------|----------|---------------------|
| VALUE | VARCHAR2 | NLS parameter value |

V\$NLS_VALID_VALUES

This view lists all valid values for NLS parameters.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-----------|-----------------|---|
| PARAMETER | VARCHAR2 (64) | Parameter name (LANGUAGE SORT TERRITORY CHARACTERSET) |
| VALUE | VARCHAR2 (64) | NLS parameter value |

V\$OBJECT_DEPENDENCY

This view can be used to determine what objects are depended on by a package, procedure, or cursor that is currently loaded in the shared pool. For example, together with V\$SESSION and V\$SQL, it can be used to determine which tables are used in the SQL statement that a user is currently executing.

See Also: ["V\\$SESSION"](#) on page 3-108 and ["V\\$SQL"](#) on page 3-122

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------------|-------------------|--|
| FROM_ADDRESS | RAW (4) | The address of a procedure, package, or cursor that is currently loaded in the shared pool |
| FROM_HASH | NUMBER | The hash value of a procedure, package, or cursor that is currently loaded in the shared pool |
| TO_OWNER | VARCHAR2 (64) | The owner of the object that is depended on |
| TO_NAME | VARCHAR2 (1000) | The name of the object that is depended on |
| TO_ADDRESS | RAW (4) | The address of the object that is depended on. These can be used to look up more information on the object in V\$DB_OBJECT_CACHE. |
| TO_HASH | NUMBER | The hash value of the object that is depended on. These can be used to look up more information on the object in V\$DB_OBJECT_CACHE. |
| TO_TYPE | NUMBER | The type of the object that is depended on |

V\$OBJECT_USAGE

You can use this view to monitor index usage. The view displays statistics about index usage gathered from the database. All indexes that have been used at least once can be monitored and displayed in this view.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|------------------|--------------|--|
| INDEX_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | The index name in sys.obj\$.name |
| TABLE_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | The table name in sys.obj\$.name |
| MONITORING | VARCHAR2(3) | YES NO |
| USED | VARCHAR2(3) | YES NO |
| START_MONITORING | VARCHAR2(19) | The start monitoring time in sys.object_stats.start_monitoring |
| END_MONITORING | VARCHAR2(19) | The end monitoring time in sys.object_stats.end_monitoring |

V\$OBsolete_PARAMETER

This view lists obsolete parameters. If any value is true, you should examine why.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-------------|--------------|--|
| NAME | VARCHAR2(64) | The name of the parameter |
| ISSPECIFIED | VARCHAR2(5) | Whether the parameter was specified in the config file |

V\$OFFLINE_RANGE

This view displays datafile offline information from the control file. Note that the last offline range of each datafile is kept in the DATAFILE record.

An offline range is created for a datafile when its tablespace is first altered to be OFFLINE NORMAL or READ ONLY, and then subsequently altered to be ONLINE or read-write. Note that no offline range is created if the datafile itself is altered to be OFFLINE or if the tablespace is altered to be OFFLINE IMMEDIATE.

See Also: ["V\\$DATAFILE"](#) on page 3-33

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------|----------|--------------|
| RECID | NUMBER | Record ID |
| STAMP | NUMBER | Record stamp |

V\$OPEN_CURSOR

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-----------------|----------|-----------------------|
| FILE# | NUMBER | Datafile number |
| OFFLINE_CHANGE# | NUMBER | SCN at which offlined |
| ONLINE_CHANGE# | NUMBER | SCN at which online |
| ONLINE_TIME | DATE | Time of offline SCN |

V\$OPEN_CURSOR

This view lists cursors that each user session currently has opened and parsed.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|------------|-----------------|---|
| SADDR | RAW | Session address |
| SID | NUMBER | Session identifier |
| USER_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | User that is logged in to the session |
| ADDRESS | RAW | Used with HASH_VALUE to identify uniquely the SQL statement being executed in the session |
| HASH_VALUE | NUMBER | Used with ADDRESS to identify uniquely the SQL statement being executed in the session |
| SQL_TEXT | VARCHAR2 (60) | First 60 characters of the SQL statement that is parsed into the open cursor |

V\$OPTION

This view lists options that are installed with the Oracle server.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-----------|-----------------|---------------------------------|
| PARAMETER | VARCHAR2 (64) | The name of the option |
| VALUE | VARCHAR2 (64) | TRUE if the option is installed |

V\$PARALLEL_DEGREE_LIMIT_MTH

This view displays all available parallel degree limit resource allocation methods.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------|-----------------|--|
| NAME | VARCHAR2 (40) | The name of the parallel degree limit resource allocation method |

V\$PARAMETER

This view lists parameters and parameter values that are currently in effect for the session.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|------------------|------------------|---|
| NUM | NUMBER | Parameter number |
| NAME | VARCHAR2 (64) | Parameter name |
| TYPE | NUMBER | Parameter type: <ul style="list-style-type: none">1: Boolean2: string3: integer4: file5: reserved6: big integer |
| VALUE | VARCHAR2 (512) | Parameter value |
| ISDEFAULT | VARCHAR2 (9) | Whether the parameter value is the default |
| ISSES_MODIFIABLE | VARCHAR2 (5) | TRUE - the parameter can be changed with ALTER SESSION FALSE - the parameter cannot be changed with ALTER SESSION |
| ISSYS_MODIFIABLE | VARCHAR2 (9) | IMMEDIATE - the parameter can be changed with ALTER SYSTEM DEFERRED - the parameter cannot be changed until the next session FALSE - the parameter cannot be changed with ALTER SYSTEM |
| ISMODIFIED | VARCHAR2 (10) | Indicates how the parameter was modified. If an ALTER SESSION was performed, the value will be MODIFIED. If an ALTER SYSTEM (which will cause all the currently logged in sessions' values to be modified) was performed, the value will be SYS_MODIFIED. |
| ISADJUSTED | VARCHAR2 (5) | Indicates that the rdbms adjusted the input value to a more suitable value (for example, the parameter value should be prime, but the user input a non-prime number, so the RDBMS adjusted the value to the next prime number) |
| DESCRIPTION | VARCHAR2 (64) | A descriptive comment about the parameter |
| UPDATE_COMMENT | VARCHAR2 (255) | Comments associated with the most recent update |

V\$PARAMETER2

This view lists parameters and parameter values that are currently in effect for the session. Each list parameter value appears as a row in the view.

Presenting the list parameter values in this format enables you to quickly determine the values for a list parameter. For example, if a parameter value is "a,b" looking at

V\$PARAMETER does not tell you if the parameter has two values ("a" and "b") or one value ("a, b"). V\$PARAMETER2 makes the distinction between the list parameter values clear.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|------------------|------------------|---|
| NUM | NUMBER | Parameter number |
| NAME | VARCHAR2 (64) | Parameter name |
| TYPE | NUMBER | Parameter type: <ul style="list-style-type: none">1: Boolean2: string3: integer4: file5: reserved6: big integer |
| VALUE | VARCHAR2 (512) | Parameter value |
| ISDEFAULT | VARCHAR2 (6) | Whether the parameter value is the default |
| ISSES_MODIFIABLE | VARCHAR2 (5) | TRUE - the parameter can be changed with ALTER SESSION FALSE - the parameter cannot be changed with ALTER SESSION |
| ISSYS_MODIFIABLE | VARCHAR2 (9) | IMMEDIATE - the parameter can be changed with ALTER SYSTEM DEFERRED - the parameter cannot be changed until the next session FALSE- the parameter cannot be changed with ALTER SYSTEM |
| ISMODIFIED | VARCHAR2 (10) | Indicates how the parameter was modified. If an ALTER SESSION was performed, the value will be MODIFIED. If an ALTER SYSTEM (which will cause all the currently logged in sessions' values to be modified) was performed, the value will be SYS_MODIFIED. |
| ISADJUSTED | VARCHAR2 (5) | Indicates that the RDBMS adjusted the input value to a more suitable value (for example, the parameter value should be prime, but the user input a non-prime number, so the RDBMS adjusted the value to the next prime number) |
| DESCRIPTION | VARCHAR2 (64) | A descriptive comment about the parameter |
| ORDINAL | NUMBER | Shows the position, or ordinal number, of each value in a list of string values. Useful only for parameters whose values are lists of strings. |
| UPDATE_COMMENT | VARCHAR2 (255) | Comments associated with the most recent update |

V\$PGASTAT

This view provides memory usage statistics in Oracle. These statistics are used by the memory manager to decide the maximum amount of memory a work area can have at any given time.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------|-----------------|-------------|
| NAME | VARCHAR2 (64) | |
| VALUE | NUMBER | |

V\$PING

This is an Oracle9i Real Application Clusters view. The V\$PING view is identical to the V\$CACHE view but only displays blocks that have been pinged at least once. This view contains information from the block header of each block in the SGA of the current instance as related to particular database objects.

See Also: ["V\\$CACHE"](#) on page 3-21 and *Oracle9i Real Application Clusters Concepts*

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|----------------|-----------------|---|
| FILE# | NUMBER | Datafile identifier number (to find filename, query "DBA_DATA_FILES" on page 2-123 or "V\$DBFILE" on page 3-38) |
| BLOCK# | NUMBER | Block number |
| CLASS# | NUMBER | Class number |
| STATUS | VARCHAR2 (4) | Status of block: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ FREE - not currently in use ■ XCUR - exclusive ■ SCUR - shared current ■ CR - consistent read ■ READ - being read from disk ■ MREC - in media recovery mode ■ IREC - in instance recovery mode |
| XNC | NUMBER | Number of PCM lock conversions due to contention with another instance. This column is obsolete but is retained for historical compatibility. |
| FORCED_READS | NUMBER | Number of times the block had to be reread from disk because another instance had forced it out of this instance's cache by requesting the PCM lock on the block in exclusive mode |
| FORCED_WRITES | NUMBER | Number of times DBWR had to write this block to disk because this instance had used the block and another instance had requested the lock on the block in a conflicting mode |
| NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | Name of the database object containing the block |
| PARTITION_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | NULL for non-partitioned objects |

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------------------|-----------------|--|
| KIND | VARCHAR2 (15) | Type of database object See Also: Table 3-1 on page 3-72 |
| OWNER# | NUMBER | Owner number |
| LOCK_ELEMENT_ ADDR | RAW (4) | The address of the lock element that contains the PCM lock that is covering the buffer. If more than one buffer has the same address, then these buffers are covered by the same PCM lock. |
| LOCK_ELEMENT_ NAME | NUMBER | The name of the lock that contains the PCM lock that is covering the buffer |

V\$PQ_SESSTAT

This view lists session statistics for parallel queries.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|---------------|-----------------|--|
| STATISTIC | VARCHAR2 (30) | The following statistics (fixed rows) have been defined for this view. After you have run a query or DML operation, you can use the information derived from V\$PQ_SESSTAT to view the number of slave processes used, and other information for the session and system. Name of the statistic: <ul style="list-style-type: none">■ Queries Parallelized - number of queries run in parallel■ DML Parallelized - number of DML operations run in parallel■ DFO Trees - number of executed DFO trees■ Server Threads - total number of cluster databases used■ Allocation Height - requested number of servers per instance■ Allocation Width - requested number of instances■ Local Msgs Sent - number of local (intra-instance) messages sent■ Distr Msgs Sent - number of remote (inter-instance) messages sent■ Local Msgs Recv'd - number of local (intra-instance) messages received■ Distr Msgs Recv'd - number of remote (inter-instance) messages received |
| LAST_QUERY | NUMBER | The value of the statistic for the last operation |
| SESSION_TOTAL | NUMBER | The value of the statistic for the entire session to this point in time |

V\$PQ_SLAVE

This view lists statistics for each of the active parallel execution servers on an instance.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-----------------|----------------|---|
| SLAVE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (4) | Name of the parallel execution server |
| STATUS | VARCHAR2 (4) | The current status of the parallel execution server (BUSY IDLE) |
| SESSIONS | NUMBER | The number of sessions that have used this parallel execution server |
| IDLE_TIME_CUR | NUMBER | The amount of time spent idle while processing statements in the current session |
| BUSY_TIME_CUR | NUMBER | The amount of time spent busy while processing statements in the current session |
| CPU_SECS_CUR | NUMBER | The amount of CPU time spent on the current session |
| MSGSENT_CUR | NUMBER | The number of messages sent while processing statements for the current session |
| MSGRCVD_CUR | NUMBER | The number of messages received while processing statements for the current session |
| IDLE_TIME_TOTAL | NUMBER | The total amount of time this query server has been idle |
| BUSY_TIME_TOTAL | NUMBER | The total amount of time this query server has been active |
| CPU_SECS_TOTAL | NUMBER | The total amount of CPU time this query server has used to process statements |
| MSGSENT_TOTAL | NUMBER | The total number of messages this query server has sent |
| MSGRCVD_TOTAL | NUMBER | The total number of messages this query server has received |

V\$PQ_SYSSTAT

This view lists system statistics for parallel queries.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-----------|-----------------|--|
| STATISTIC | VARCHAR2 (30) | The following statistics (fixed rows) have been defined for this view. After you have run a query or DML operation, you can use the information derived from V\$PQ_SYSSTAT to view the number of slave processes used, and other information for the system. |

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------|----------|--|
| | | Name of the statistic: <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Servers Busy - number of currently busy servers on this instance▪ Servers Idle - number of currently idle servers on this instance▪ Servers Highwater - number of active servers on this instance that have partaken in >= 1 operation so far▪ Server Sessions - total number of operations executed in all servers on this instance▪ Servers Started - total number of servers started on this instance▪ Servers Shutdown - total number of servers shutdown on this instance▪ Servers Cleaned Up - total number of servers on this instance cleaned up due to process death▪ Queries Initiated - total number of parallel queries initiated on this instance▪ DML Initiated - total number of parallel DML operations that were initiated▪ DFO Trees - total number of DFO trees executed on this instance▪ Local Msgs Sent - total number of local (intra-instance) messages sent on this instance▪ Distr Msgs Sent - total number of remote (inter-instance) messages sent on this instance▪ Local Msgs Recv'd - total number of remote (inter-instance) messages received on this instance▪ Distr Msgs Recv'd - total number of remote (inter-instance) messages received on this instance |
| VALUE | NUMBER | The value of the statistic |

V\$PQ_TQSTAT

This view contains statistics on parallel execution operations. The statistics are compiled after the query completes and only remain for the duration of the session. It displays the number of rows processed through each parallel execution server at each stage of the execution tree. This view can help determine skew problems in a query's execution.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-------------|--------------|--|
| DFO_NUMBER | NUMBER | The data flow operator (DFO) tree number to differentiate queries |
| TQ_ID | NUMBER | The table queue ID within the query, which represents the connection between two DFO nodes in the query execution tree |
| SERVER_TYPE | VARCHAR2(10) | The role in table queue - producer/consumer/ranger |
| NUM_ROWS | NUMBER | The number of rows produced/consumed |

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-------------|---------------|---|
| BYTES | NUMBER | The number of bytes produced/consumed |
| OPEN_TIME | NUMBER | Time (seconds) the table queue remained open |
| AVG_LATENCY | NUMBER | Time (minutes) for a message to be dequeued after it enters the queue |
| WAITS | NUMBER | The number of waits encountered during dequeue |
| TIMEOUTS | NUMBER | The number of timeouts when waiting for a message |
| PROCESS | VARCHAR2 (10) | Process ID |
| INSTANCE | NUMBER | Instance ID |

V\$PROCESS

This view contains information about the currently active processes. While the `LATCHWAIT` column indicates what latch a process is waiting for, the `LATCHSPIN` column indicates what latch a process is spinning on. On multi-processor machines, Oracle processes will spin on a latch before waiting on it.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|---------------|-----------|--|
| ADDR | RAW (4) | Address of process state object |
| PID | NUMBER | Oracle process identifier |
| SPID | VARCHAR2 | Operating system process identifier |
| USERNAME | VARCHAR2 | Operating system process username. Any two-task user coming across the network has "-T" appended to the username. |
| SERIAL# | NUMBER | Process serial number |
| TERMINAL | VARCHAR2 | Operating system terminal identifier |
| PROGRAM | VARCHAR2 | Program in progress |
| BACKGROUND | VARCHAR2 | 1 for a background process; NULL for a normal process |
| LATCHWAIT | VARCHAR2 | Address of latch the process is waiting for; NULL if none |
| LATCHSPIN | VARCHAR2 | Address of latch the process is being spun on; NULL if none |
| PGA_USED_MEM | NUMBER | PGA memory currently used by the process |
| PGA_ALLOC_MEM | NUMBER | PGA memory currently allocated by the process (including free PGA memory not yet released to the operating system by the server process) |
| PGA_MAX_MEM | NUMBER | Maximum PGA memory ever allocated by the process |

V\$PROXY_ARCHIVEDLOG

This view contains descriptions of archived log backups which are taken with a new feature called Proxy Copy. Each row represents a backup of one archived log.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-------------------|---------------|---|
| RECID | NUMBER | Proxy copy record ID |
| STAMP | NUMBER | Proxy copy record stamp |
| DEVICE_TYPE | VARCHAR2(17) | Type of the device on which the copy resides |
| HANDLE | VARCHAR2(513) | Proxy copy handle identifies the copy for restore |
| COMMENTS | VARCHAR2(81) | Comment returned by the operating system or storage subsystem. This value is informational only; not needed for restore. |
| MEDIA | VARCHAR2(65) | Name of the media on which the copy resides. This value is informational only. It is not needed for restore. |
| MEDIA_POOL | NUMBER | The media pool in which the copy resides. This is the same value that was entered in the pool operand of the Recovery Manager backup command. |
| STATUS | VARCHAR2(1) | Indicates the status of the copy: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ A - The object is available ■ D - The object is deleted ■ X - The object has been "cross-checked" and found not to exist. A subsequent "delete expired" command will change the status to D. If, for some reason, the object really does still exist, then a subsequent "cross-check" command will change the status back to A. |
| THREAD# | NUMBER | Redo thread number |
| SEQUENCE# | NUMBER | Redo log sequence number |
| RESETLOGS_CHANGE# | NUMBER | Resetlogs change number of the database when this log was written |
| RESETLOGS_TIME | DATE | Resetlogs time of the database when this log was written |
| FIRST_CHANGE# | NUMBER | First change number in the archived log |
| FIRST_TIME | DATE | Timestamp of the first change |
| NEXT_CHANGE# | NUMBER | First change number in the next log |
| NEXT_TIME | DATE | Timestamp of the next change |
| BLOCKS | NUMBER | Size of the archived log in blocks |
| BLOCK_SIZE | NUMBER | Redo log block size |
| START_TIME | DATE | The starting time |
| COMPLETION_TIME | DATE | The completion time |
| ELAPSED_SECONDS | NUMBER | The number of elapsed seconds |

V\$PROXY_DATAFILE

This view contains descriptions of datafile and control file backups that are taken with Proxy Copy. Each row represents a backup of one database file.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|------------------------|------------------|---|
| RECID | NUMBER | Proxy copy record ID |
| STAMP | NUMBER | Proxy copy record stamp |
| DEVICE_TYPE | VARCHAR2 (17) | Type of the device on which the copy resides |
| HANDLE | VARCHAR2 (513) | Proxy copy handle identifies the copy for restore |
| COMMENTS | VARCHAR2 (81) | Comment returned by the operating system or storage subsystem. This value is informational only; not needed for restore. |
| MEDIA | VARCHAR2 (65) | Name of the media on which the copy resides. This value is informational only; not needed for restore. |
| MEDIA_POOL | NUMBER | The media pool in which the copy resides. This is the same value that was entered in the pool operand of the Recovery Manager backup command |
| TAG | VARCHAR2 (32) | Proxy copy tag |
| STATUS | VARCHAR2 (1) | Indicates the status of the copy: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ A - The object is available ■ D - The object is deleted ■ X - The object has been "cross-checked" and found not to exist. A subsequent "delete expired" command will change the status to D. If, for some reason, the object really does still exist, then a subsequent "cross-check" command will change the status back to A. |
| FILE# | NUMBER | Absolute datafile number, or 0 if this is a control file backup |
| CREATION_CHANGE# | NUMBER | Datafile creation change number |
| CREATION_TIME | DATE | Datafile creation Timestamp |
| RESETLOGS_CHANGE# | NUMBER | Resetlogs change number of the datafile when the copy was made |
| RESETLOGS_TIME | DATE | Resetlogs timestamp of the datafile when the copy was made |
| CHECKPOINT_CHANGE# | NUMBER | Checkpoint change number of the datafile when the copy was made |
| CHECKPOINT_TIME | DATE | Checkpoint timestamp of the datafile when the copy was made |
| ABSOLUTE_FUZZY_CHANGE# | NUMBER | The highest change in any block of the file, if known |
| RECOVERY_FUZZY_CHANGE# | NUMBER | Highest change written to the file by media recovery |
| RECOVERY_FUZZY_TIME | DATE | Timestamp of the highest change written to the file by media recovery |
| INCREMENTAL_LEVEL | NUMBER | 0 if this backup is part of an incremental backup strategy, otherwise NULL |

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|----------------------|--------------|--|
| ONLINE_FUZZY | VARCHAR2(3) | (YES NO) If set to YES, this copy was made after a crash or offline immediate (or is a copy of a copy which was taken improperly while the database was open). Recovery will need to apply all redo up to the next crash recovery marker to make the file consistent. |
| BACKUP_FUZZY | VARCHAR2(3) | (YES NO) If set to YES, this is a copy taken using the BEGIN BACKUP END BACKUP technique. Note that the BEGIN BACKUP END BACKUP technique is used internally when proxy copies of open files are created. Recovery will need to apply all redo up to the end backup marker to make this copy consistent. |
| BLOCKS | NUMBER | Size of the copy in blocks (also the size of the datafile when the copy was made) |
| BLOCK_SIZE | NUMBER | Block size of the datafile |
| OLDEST_OFFLINE_RANGE | NUMBER | If file# is 0 (ie, this is a control file backup), the RECID of the oldest offline range record in this control file copy. 0 for datafile copies. |
| START_TIME | DATE | The starting time |
| COMPLETION_TIME | DATE | The completion time |
| ELAPSED_SECONDS | NUMBER | The number of elapsed seconds |
| CONTROLFILE_TYPE | VARCHAR2(1) | B indicates normal copies S indicates standby copies |
| KEEP | VARCHAR2(3) | (YES NO) Indicates whether or not this backup set has a retention policy that is different than the value for the configure retention policy |
| KEEP_UNTIL | DATE | If KEEP_UNTIL_TIME is specified, this is the date after which the backup becomes obsolete. If this column is null, then the backup never expires. |
| KEEP_OPTIONS | VARCHAR2(10) | Lists additional retention options for this backup set. Possible values are: LOGS - The logs need to recover this backup are kept NOLOGS - The logs needed to recover this backup will not be kept |

V\$PWFILE_USERS

This view lists users who have been granted SYSDBA and SYSOPER privileges as derived from the password file.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|----------|--------------|---|
| USERNAME | VARCHAR2(30) | The name of the user that is contained in the password file |
| SYSDBA | VARCHAR2(5) | If TRUE, the user can connect with SYSDBA privileges |
| SYSOPER | VARCHAR2(5) | If TRUE, the user can connect with SYSOPER privileges |

V\$PX_PROCESS

This view contains information about the sessions running parallel execution.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-------------|----------------|--|
| SERVER_NAME | VARCHAR2 (4) | The name of the cluster database (P000, P001, etc) |
| STATUS | VARCHAR2 (9) | The state of the cluster database (IN USE AVAILABLE) |
| PID | NUMBER | The process identifier |
| SPID | VARCHAR2 (9) | The OS process ID |
| SID | NUMBER | The session ID of slave, if in use |
| SERIAL# | NUMBER | The session serial number of slave, if in use |

V\$PX_PROCESS_SYSSTAT

This view contains information about the sessions running parallel execution.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-----------|-----------------|---|
| STATISTIC | VARCHAR2 (30) | <p>The name of the statistic:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Servers In Use - the number of PX servers currently performing parallel operations ■ Servers Available - the number of PX servers available to perform parallel operations ■ Servers Started - the number of times the system has had to create a PX server process ■ Server Shutdown - The number of times a PX server process has been shutdown. A PX server process will be shutdown if it has not been used recently. The length of time it may remain "Available" is controlled by the initialization parameter <code>PARALLEL_SERVER_IDLE_TIME</code>. If this value is large, consider increasing the parameter. This will improve performance by avoiding the latency of PX server process creation. ■ Servers HWM - the maximum number of concurrent PX server processes If this number is equal to the initialization parameter <code>PARALLEL_MAX_SERVERS</code>, consider increasing the parameter. This could allow you to increase your throughput, especially if your system is under-utilized and the V\$SYSSTAT statistic "Parallel operations downgraded to serial" is large. ■ Servers Cleaned Up - The number of times PMON had to clean up a PX server. This should only happen during abnormal termination of a parallel operation. If this number is large, you should determine the cause. |

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------|----------|---|
| | | <ul style="list-style-type: none">Sessions - the total number of sessions created by all PX serversMemory Chunks Allocs - the number of large memory chunks allocated by PX serversMemory Chunks Freed - the number of large memory chunks freedMemory Chunks Current - the number of large memory chunks currently being usedMemory Chunks HWM - the maximum number of concurrently allocated chunksBuffers allocated - the number of times a message buffer has been allocatedBuffers freed - the number of times a message buffer has been freedBuffers Current - the number of message buffers currently being usedBuffers HWM - the maximum number of concurrently allocated message buffers |
| VALUE | NUMBER | The value of the statistic |

V\$PX_SESSION

This view contains information about the sessions running parallel execution.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------------|-----------|--|
| SADDR | RAW (4) | Session address |
| SID | NUMBER | Session identifier |
| SERIAL# | NUMBER | Session serial number |
| QCSID | NUMBER | Session identifier of the parallel coordinator |
| QCSERIAL# | NUMBER | Session serial number of the parallel coordinator |
| QCINST_ID | NUMBER | Instance number on which the parallel coordinator is running |
| SERVER_GROUP | NUMBER | The logical group of servers to which this cluster database process belongs |
| SERVER_SET | NUMBER | The logical set of servers to which this cluster database process belongs. A single server group will have at most two server sets. |
| SERVER# | NUMBER | The logical number of the cluster database process within a server set |
| DEGREE | NUMBER | The degree of parallelism being used by the server set |
| REQ_DEGREE | NUMBER | The degree of parallelism that was requested by the user when the statement was issued and prior to any resource, multi-user, or load balancing reductions |

V\$PX_SESSTAT

This view contains information about the sessions running parallel execution.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------------|-----------|--|
| SADDR | RAW (4) | Session address |
| SID | NUMBER | Session identifier |
| SERIAL# | NUMBER | Session serial number |
| QCSID | NUMBER | Session identifier of the parallel coordinator |
| QCSERIAL# | NUMBER | Session serial number of the parallel coordinator |
| QCINST_ID | NUMBER | Instance number on which the parallel coordinator is running |
| SERVER_GROUP | NUMBER | The logical group of servers to which this cluster database process belongs |
| SERVER_SET | NUMBER | The logical set of servers that this cluster database process belongs to. A single server group will have at most two server sets. |
| SERVER# | NUMBER | The logical number of the cluster database process within a server set |
| DEGREE | NUMBER | The degree of parallelism being used by the server set |
| REQ_DEGREE | NUMBER | The degree of parallelism that was requested by the user when the statement was issued and prior to any resource, multi-user, or load balancing reductions |
| STATISTIC# | NUMBER | Statistic number (identifier) |
| VALUE | NUMBER | Statistic value |

V\$QUEUE

This view contains information on the multi-thread message queues.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------|-----------|--|
| PADDR | RAW (4) | Address of the process that owns the queue |
| TYPE | VARCHAR2 | Type of queue (COMMON (processed by servers) DISPATCHER) |
| QUEUED | NUMBER | Number of items in the queue |
| WAIT | NUMBER | Total time that all items in this queue have waited. Divide by TOTALQ for average wait per item. |
| TOTALQ | NUMBER | Total number of items that have ever been in the queue |

V\$QUEUEING_MTH

This view displays all available queuing resource allocation methods.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------|-----------------|--|
| NAME | VARCHAR2 (40) | Name of the queuing resource allocation method |

V\$RECOVER_FILE

This view displays the status of files needing media recovery.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|---------------|-----------------|--|
| FILE# | NUMBER | File identifier number |
| ONLINE | VARCHAR2 (7) | This column is obsolete and maintained only for compatibility reasons. The value of this column is always equal to the value in ONLINE_STATUS. |
| ONLINE_STATUS | VARCHAR2 (7) | Online status (ONLINE, OFFLINE) |
| ERROR | VARCHAR2 (18) | Why the file needs to be recovered: NULL if reason unknown, or OFFLINE NORMAL if recovery not needed |
| CHANGE# | NUMBER | SCN where recovery must start |
| TIME | DATE | Time of SCN when recovery must start |

V\$RECOVERY_FILE_STATUS

V\$RECOVERY_FILE_STATUS contains one row for each datafile for each RECOVER statement. This view contains useful information only for the Oracle process doing the recovery. When Recovery Manager directs a server process to perform recovery, only Recovery Manager is able to view the relevant information in this view. V\$RECOVERY_FILE_STATUS will be empty to all other Oracle users.

See Also: *Oracle9i Recovery Manager User's Guide*

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|----------|------------------|--|
| FILENUM | NUMBER | The number of the file being recovered |
| FILENAME | VARCHAR2 (257) | The filename of the datafile being recovered |
| STATUS | VARCHAR2 (13) | The status of the recovery (IN RECOVERY CURRENT NOT RECOVERED) |

V\$RECOVERY_LOG

This view lists information about archived logs that are needed to complete media recovery. This information is derived from the log history view, V\$LOG_HISTORY.

V\$RECOVERY_LOG contains useful information only for the Oracle process doing the recovery. When Recovery Manager directs a server process to perform recovery, only Recovery Manager is able to view the relevant information in this view. V\$RECOVERY_LOG will be empty to all other Oracle users.

See Also: ["V\\$LOG_HISTORY"](#) on page 3-76 and *Oracle9i Recovery Manager User's Guide*

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------------|----------|---|
| THREAD# | NUMBER | Thread number of the archived log |
| SEQUENCE# | NUMBER | Sequence number of the archived log |
| TIME | VARCHAR2 | Time of first entry (lowest SCN) in the log |
| ARCHIVE_NAME | VARCHAR2 | Name of the file when archived, using the naming convention specified by "LOG_ARCHIVE_FORMAT" |

V\$RECOVERY_PROGRESS

V\$RECOVERY_PROGRESS can be used to track database recovery operations to ensure that they are not stalled, and also to estimate the time required to complete the operation in progress.

V\$RECOVERY_PROGRESS is a subview of V\$SESSION_LONGOPS.

See Also: *Oracle9i User-Managed Backup and Recovery Guide*

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------|-----------------|--|
| TYPE | VARCHAR2 (64) | The type of recovery operation being performed |
| ITEM | VARCHAR2 (32) | The item being measured |
| SOFAR | NUMBER | The amount of work done so far |
| TOTAL | NUMBER | The total amount of work expected |

V\$RECOVERY_STATUS

V\$RECOVERY_STATUS contains statistics of the current recovery process. This view contains useful information only for the Oracle process doing the recovery. When Recovery Manager directs a server process to perform recovery, only Recovery Manager is able to view the relevant information in this view. V\$RECOVERY_STATUS will be empty to all other Oracle users.

See Also: *Oracle9i Recovery Manager User's Guide*

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|---------------------|------------------|--|
| RECOVERY_CHECKPOINT | DATE | The point in time to which the recovery has occurred. If no logs have been applied, this is the point in time the recovery starts. |
| THREAD | NUMBER | The number of the redo thread currently being processed |
| SEQUENCE_NEEDED | NUMBER | Log sequence number of the log needed by the recovery process. The value is 0 if no log is needed. |
| SCN_NEEDED | VARCHAR2 (16) | The low SCN of the log needed by recovery. The value is 0 if unknown or no log is needed. |
| TIME_NEEDED | DATE | Time when the log was created. The value is midnight on 1/1/88 if the time is unknown or if no log is needed. |
| PREVIOUS_LOG_NAME | VARCHAR2 (257) | The filename of the log |
| PREVIOUS_LOG_STATUS | VARCHAR2 (13) | The status of the previous log. Contains one of the following values: RELEASE; WRONG NAME; MISSING NAME; UNNEEDED NAME; NONE |
| REASON | VARCHAR2 (13) | The reason recovery is returning control to the user (NEED LOG LOG REUSED THREAD DISABLED) |

V\$REQDIST

This view lists statistics for the histogram of shared server dispatcher request times, divided into 12 buckets, or ranges of time. The time ranges grow exponentially as a function of the bucket number.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------|----------|--|
| BUCKET | NUMBER | Bucket number: 0 - 11; the maximum time for each bucket is (4 * 2^N) / 100 seconds |
| COUNT | NUMBER | Count of requests whose total time to complete (excluding wait time) falls in this range |

V\$RESERVED_WORDS

This view gives a list of all the keywords that are used by the PL/SQL compiler. This view helps developers to determine whether a word is already being used as a keyword in the language.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|---------|-----------------|---------------------------|
| KEYWORD | VARCHAR2 (64) | The name of the keyword |
| LENGTH | NUMBER | The length of the keyword |

V\$RESOURCE

This view contains resource name and address information.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------|-----------|--|
| ADDR | RAW (4) | Address of resource object |
| TYPE | VARCHAR2 | Resource type; the resource types are listed in Table 3-1 on page 3-72 |
| ID1 | NUMBER | Resource identifier #1 |
| ID2 | NUMBER | Resource identifier #2 |

V\$RESOURCE_LIMIT

This view displays information about global resource use for some of the system resources. Use this view to monitor the consumption of resources so that you can take corrective action, if necessary. Many of the resources correspond to initialization parameters listed in [Table 3-2](#).

Some resources, those used by DLM for example, have an initial allocation (soft limit), and the hard limit, which is theoretically infinite (although in practice it is limited by SGA size). During SGA reservation/initialization, a place is reserved in SGA for the `INITIAL_ALLOCATION` of resources, but if this allocation is exceeded, additional resources are allocated up to the value indicated by `LIMIT_VALUE`. The `CURRENT_UTILIZATION` column indicates whether the initial allocation has been exceeded. When the initial allocation value is exceeded, the additional required resources are allocated from the shared pool, where they must compete for space with other resources.

A good choice for the value of `INITIAL_ALLOCATION` will avoid the contention for space. For most resources, the value for `INITIAL_ALLOCATION` is the same as the `LIMIT_VALUE`. Exceeding `LIMIT_VALUE` results in an error.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|---------------------|-----------------|--|
| RESOURCE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | Name of the resource (see Table 3-2) |
| CURRENT_UTILIZATION | NUMBER | Number of (resources, locks, or processes) currently being used |
| MAX_UTILIZATION | NUMBER | Maximum consumption of this resource since the last instance start-up |
| INITIAL_ALLOCATION | VARCHAR2 (10) | Initial allocation. This will be equal to the value specified for the resource in the initialization parameter file (<code>UNLIMITED</code> for infinite allocation). |
| LIMIT_VALUE | VARCHAR2 (10) | Unlimited for resources and locks. This can be greater than the initial allocation value (<code>UNLIMITED</code> for infinite limit). |

Table 3–2 Values for RESOURCE_NAME column

| Resource Name | Corresponds to this Initialization Parameter |
|--------------------------|---|
| DISTRIBUTED_TRANSACTIONS | See "DISTRIBUTED_TRANSACTIONS" on page 1-52 |
| DML_LOCKS | See "DML_LOCKS" on page 1-52 |
| ENQUEUE_LOCKS | This value is computed by Oracle. Use the V\$ENQUEUE_LOCK view (described on page 3-50) to obtain more information about the enqueue locks. |
| ENQUEUE_RESOURCES | See "ENQUEUE_RESOURCES" on page 1-54 |
| LM_PROCESSES | Lock manager processes |
| LM_LOCKS | See "LOCAL_LISTENER" on page 1-72 |
| MTS_MAX_SERVERS | See "MTS_MAX_SERVERS" on page 1-99 |
| PARALLEL_SLAVES | See "PARALLEL_MAX_SERVERS" on page 1-128 |
| PROCESSES | See "PROCESSES" on page 1-138 |
| ROLLBACK_SEGMENTS | See "MAX_ROLLBACK_SEGMENTS" on page 1-92 |
| SESSIONS | See "SESSIONS" on page 1-153 |
| SORT_SEGMENT_LOCKS | This value is computed by Oracle |
| TEMPORARY_LOCKS | This value is computed by Oracle |
| TRANSACTIONS | See "TRANSACTIONS" on page 1-170 |

V\$RMAN_CONFIGURATION

This view lists information about RMAN persistent configuration settings.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------|----------------|---|
| CONF# | NUMBER | A unique key identifying this record within the database that owns it |
| NAME | VARCHAR2(65) | The name for this particular configuration. Example: RETENTION POLICY |
| VALUE | VARCHAR2(1025) | The value for this configuration row. Example: RETENTION POLICY TO RECOVERY WINDOW OF 10 DAYS |

V\$ROLLNAME

This view lists the names of all online rollback segments. It can only be accessed when the database is open.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------|----------|--------------------------------|
| USN | NUMBER | Rollback (undo) segment number |
| NAME | VARCHAR2 | Rollback segment name |

V\$ROLLSTAT

This view contains rollback segment statistics.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-----------|--------------|---|
| USN | NUMBER | Rollback segment number |
| EXTENTS | NUMBER | Number of extents in rollback segment |
| RSSIZE | NUMBER | Size in bytes of rollback segment. This values differs by the number of bytes in one database block from the value of the BYTES column of the ALL/DBA/USER_SEGMENTS views. See Also: <i>Oracle9i Database Administrator's Guide</i> . |
| WRITES | NUMBER | Number of bytes written to rollback segment |
| XACTS | NUMBER | Number of active transactions |
| GETS | NUMBER | Number of header gets |
| WAITS | NUMBER | Number of header waits |
| OPTSIZE | NUMBER | Optimal size of rollback segment |
| HWMSIZE | NUMBER | High water mark of rollback segment size |
| SHRINKS | NUMBER | Number of times the size of a rollback segment decreases |
| WRAPS | NUMBER | Number of times rollback segment is wrapped |
| EXTENDS | NUMBER | Number of times rollback segment size is extended |
| AVESHRINK | NUMBER | Average shrink size |
| AVEACTIVE | NUMBER | Current size of active extents, averaged over time. |
| STATUS | VARCHAR2(15) | Rollback segment status |
| CUREXT | NUMBER | Current extent |
| CURBLK | NUMBER | Current block |

V\$ROWCACHE

This view displays statistics for data dictionary activity. Each row contains statistics for one data dictionary cache.

V\$ROWCACHE_PARENT

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|---------------|----------|---|
| CACHE# | NUMBER | Row cache ID number |
| TYPE | VARCHAR2 | Parent or subordinate row cache type |
| SUBORDINATE# | NUMBER | Subordinate set number |
| PARAMETER | VARCHAR2 | Name of the initialization parameter that determines the number of entries in the data dictionary cache |
| COUNT | NUMBER | Total number of entries in the cache |
| USAGE | NUMBER | Number of cache entries that contain valid data |
| FIXED | NUMBER | Number of fixed entries in the cache |
| GETS | NUMBER | Total number of requests for information on the data object |
| GETMISSES | NUMBER | Number of data requests resulting in cache misses |
| SCANS | NUMBER | Number of scan requests |
| SCANMISSES | NUMBER | Number of times a scan failed to find the data in the cache |
| SCANCOMPLETES | NUMBER | For a list of subordinate entries, the number of times the list was scanned completely |
| MODIFICATIONS | NUMBER | Number of inserts, updates, and deletions |
| FLUSHES | NUMBER | Number of times flushed to disk |
| DLM_REQUESTS | NUMBER | The number of DLM requests |
| DLM_CONFLICTS | NUMBER | The number of DLM conflicts |
| DLM_RELEASES | NUMBER | The number of DLM releases |

V\$ROWCACHE_PARENT

This view displays information for parent objects in the data dictionary. There is one row per lock owner, and one waiter for each object. This row shows the mode held or requested. For objects with no owners or waiters, a single row is displayed.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|------------|-----------------|--|
| INDX | NUMBER | Index of the row |
| HASH | NUMBER | The hash value |
| ADDRESS | RAW (4) | The address of the parent object |
| CACHE# | NUMBER | The parent cache ID |
| CACHE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (64) | The parent cache name |
| EXISTENT | VARCHAR2 (1) | Whether the object is an existing object |

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--|----------------|--|
| LOCK_MODE | NUMBER | The mode the lock is held in |
| LOCK_REQUEST | NUMBER | The mode the lock is requested in |
| TXN | RAW (4) | The transaction currently locking the object |
| SADDR | RAW (4) | The address of the session |
| Note: The following are relevant only for Oracle Real Application Clusters. | | |
| INST_LOCK_REQUEST | NUMBER | The mode in which instance lock is being requested |
| INST_LOCK_RELEASE | NUMBER | Whether the instance lock needs to be released |
| INST_LOCK_TYPE | VARCHAR2 (2) | The type of instance lock |
| INST_LOCK_ID1 | RAW (4) | The ID associated with the instance lock |
| INST_LOCK_ID2 | RAW (4) | The ID associated with the instance lock |
| KEY | RAW (100) | The contents of the key |

V\$ROWCACHE_SUBORDINATE

This view displays information for subordinate objects in the data dictionary.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|---------------|-----------------|--|
| INDX | NUMBER | The index |
| HASH | NUMBER | The hash value |
| ADDRESS | RAW (4) | The address of the subordinate object |
| CACHE# | NUMBER | The parent cache ID |
| SUBCACHE# | NUMBER | The subcache ID |
| SUBCACHE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (64) | The subcache name |
| EXISTENT | VARCHAR2 (1) | Whether the object is an existing object |
| PARENT | RAW (4) | The address of the parent object |
| KEY | RAW (100) | The contents of the key |

V\$RSRC_CONSUMER_GROUP

This view displays data related to currently active resource consumer groups.

See Also:

- *Oracle9i Database Administrator's Guide* for information on resource groups
- *Oracle9i Supplied PL/SQL Packages and Types Reference* for information on creating resource groups with the DBMS_RESOURCE_MANAGER package

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------------------------|-----------------|--|
| NAME | VARCHAR2 (32) | Name of the consumer group |
| ACTIVE_SESSIONS | NUMBER | Number of currently active sessions in this consumer group |
| EXECUTION_WAITERS | NUMBER | Number of currently active sessions waiting for an execution time slice in which they will be able to use CPU. |
| REQUESTS | NUMBER | Cumulative number of requests that were executed in this consumer group |
| CPU_WAIT_TIME | NUMBER | Cumulative amount of time that sessions waited for CPU |
| CPU_WAITS | NUMBER | Cumulative number of times all sessions in this consumer group had to wait for CPU |
| CONSUMED_CPU_TIME | NUMBER | Cumulative amount of CPU time consumed by all sessions in this consumer group |
| YIELDS | NUMBER | Cumulative number of times sessions in this consumer group had to yield the CPU |
| QUEUE_LENGTH | NUMBER | Number of sessions waiting in the queue |
| CURRENT_UNDO_CONSUMPTION | NUMBER | Current amount (in kilobytes) of undo consumed by the consumer group |

V\$RSRC_CONSUMER_GROUP_CPU_MTH

This view lists all resource allocation methods defined for resource consumer groups.

See Also:

- *Oracle9i Database Administrator's Guide* for information on resource allocation methods
- *Oracle9i Supplied PL/SQL Packages and Types Reference* on defining resource allocation methods for consumer groups with the DBMS_RESOURCE_MANAGER package
- ["V\\$RSRC_PLAN_CPU_MTH"](#) on page 3-107 for a listing of all resource allocation methods defined for resource plans

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------|-----------------|--|
| NAME | VARCHAR2 (40) | The name of the CPU resource allocation method |

V\$RSRC_PLAN

This view displays the names of all currently active resource plans.

See Also:

- ["DBA_RSRC_PLANS"](#) on page 2-154 for a listing of all plans in the database
- *Oracle9i Database Administrator's Guide* for information on resource plans
- *Oracle9i Supplied PL/SQL Packages and Types Reference* on defining resource allocation methods for consumer groups with the DBMS_RESOURCE_MANAGER package

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------|-----------------|---------------------------|
| NAME | VARCHAR2 (32) | Name of the resource plan |

V\$RSRC_PLAN_CPU_MTH

This view lists all available CPU resource allocation methods defined for resource plans.

See Also:

- ["V\\$RSRC_CONSUMER_GROUP_CPU_MTH"](#) on page 3-106 for a listing of resource allocation methods defined for consumer groups
- *Oracle9i Database Administrator's Guide* for information on resource plans
- *Oracle9i Supplied PL/SQL Packages and Types Reference* on defining resource allocation methods for consumer plans with the DBMS_RESOURCE_MANAGER package

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------|-----------------|--|
| NAME | VARCHAR2 (32) | Name of the resource allocation method |

V\$SESS_IO

This view lists I/O statistics for each user session.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------------------|----------|-------------------------------------|
| SID | NUMBER | Session identifier |
| BLOCK_GETS | NUMBER | Block gets for this session |
| CONSISTENT_GETS | NUMBER | Consistent gets for this session |
| PHYSICAL_READS | NUMBER | Physical reads for this session |
| BLOCK_CHANGES | NUMBER | Block changes for this session |
| CONSISTENT_CHANGES | NUMBER | Consistent changes for this session |

V\$SESSION

This view lists session information for each current session.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|---------|-----------|--|
| SADDR | RAW (4) | Session address |
| SID | NUMBER | Session identifier |
| SERIAL# | NUMBER | Session serial number. Used to identify uniquely a session's objects. Guarantees that session-level commands are applied to the correct session objects if the session ends and another session begins with the same session ID. |

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-----------------|-----------------|--|
| AUDSID | NUMBER | Auditing session ID |
| PADDR | RAW (4) | Address of the process that owns this session |
| USER# | NUMBER | Oracle user identifier |
| USERNAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | Oracle username |
| COMMAND | NUMBER | Command in progress (last statement parsed); for a list of values, see Table 3-3 . These values also appear in the data dictionary view AUDIT_ACTIONS. |
| OWNERID | NUMBER | The column contents are invalid if the value is 2147483644. Otherwise, this column contains the identifier of the user who owns the migratable session. For operations using Parallel Slaves, interpret this value as a 4-byte value. The low-order 2 bytes of which represent the session number, and the high-order bytes the instance ID of the query coordinator. |
| TADDR | VARCHAR2 (8) | Address of transaction state object |
| LOCKWAIT | VARCHAR2 (8) | Address of lock waiting for; NULL if none |
| STATUS | VARCHAR2 (8) | Status of the session: ACTIVE (currently executing SQL), INACTIVE, KILLED (marked to be killed), CACHED (temporarily cached for use by Oracle*XA), SNIPED (session inactive, waiting on the client) |
| SERVER | VARCHAR2 (9) | Server type (DEDICATED SHARED PSEUDO NONE) |
| SCHEMA# | NUMBER | Schema user identifier |
| SCHEMANAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | Schema user name |
| OSUSER | VARCHAR2 (30) | Operating system client user name |
| PROCESS | VARCHAR2 (9) | Operating system client process ID |
| MACHINE | VARCHAR2 (64) | Operating system machine name |
| TERMINAL | VARCHAR2 (30) | Operating system terminal name |
| PROGRAM | VARCHAR2 (48) | Operating system program name |
| TYPE | VARCHAR2 (10) | Session type |
| SQL_ADDRESS | RAW (4) | Used with SQL_HASH_VALUE to identify the SQL statement that is currently being executed |
| SQL_HASH_VALUE | NUMBER | Used with SQL_ADDRESS to identify the SQL statement that is currently being executed |
| PREV_SQL_ADDR | RAW (4) | Used with PREV_HASH_VALUE to identify the last SQL statement executed |
| PREV_HASH_VALUE | NUMBER | Used with SQL_HASH_VALUE to identify the last SQL statement executed |
| MODULE | VARCHAR2 (48) | Contains the name of the currently executing module as set by calling the DBMS_APPLICATION_INFO.SET_MODULE procedure |
| MODULE_HASH | NUMBER | The hash value of the above MODULE |
| ACTION | VARCHAR2 (32) | Contains the name of the currently executing action as set by calling the DBMS_APPLICATION_INFO.SET_ACTION procedure |

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|----------------------|-----------------|---|
| ACTION_HASH | NUMBER | The hash value of the above action name |
| CLIENT_INFO | VARCHAR2 (64) | Information set by the DBMS_APPLICATION_INFO.SET_CLIENT_INFO procedure |
| FIXED_TABLE_SEQUENCE | NUMBER | This contains a number that increases every time the session completes a call to the database and there has been an intervening select from a dynamic performance table. This column can be used by performance monitors to monitor statistics in the database. Each time the performance monitor looks at the database, it only needs to look at sessions that are currently active or have a higher value in this column than the highest value that the performance monitor saw the last time. All the other sessions have been idle since the last time the performance monitor looked at the database. |
| ROW_WAIT_OBJ# | NUMBER | Object ID for the table containing the ROWID specified in ROW_WAIT_ROW# |
| ROW_WAIT_FILE# | NUMBER | Identifier for the datafile containing the ROWID specified in ROW_WAIT_ROW#. This column is valid only if the session is currently waiting for another transaction to commit and the value of ROW_WAIT_OBJ# is not -1. |
| ROW_WAIT_BLOCK# | NUMBER | Identifier for the block containing the ROWID specified in ROW_WAIT_ROW#. This column is valid only if the session is currently waiting for another transaction to commit and the value of ROW_WAIT_OBJ# is not -1. |
| ROW_WAIT_ROW# | NUMBER | The current ROWID being locked. This column is valid only if the session is currently waiting for another transaction to commit and the value of ROW_WAIT_OBJ# is not -1. |
| LOGON_TIME | DATE | Time of logon |
| LAST_CALL_ET | NUMBER | The last call |
| PDML_ENABLED | VARCHAR2 (3) | This column has been replaced by column PDML_STATUS |
| FAILOVER_TYPE | VARCHAR2 (13) | Indicates whether and to what extent transparent application failover (TAF) is enabled for the session: <ul style="list-style-type: none">■ NONE - failover is disabled for this session■ SESSION - the client is able to fail over its session following a disconnect■ SELECT - the client is able to fail over queries in progress as well See Also: <ul style="list-style-type: none">■ <i>Oracle9i Database Concepts</i> for more information on TAF■ <i>Oracle Net Services Administrator's Guide</i> for information on configuring TAF |
| FAILOVER_METHOD | VARCHAR2 (10) | Indicates the transparent application failover method for the session: <ul style="list-style-type: none">■ NONE - failover is disabled for this session■ BASIC - the client itself reconnects following a disconnect■ PRECONNECT - the backup instance can support all connections from every instance for which it is backup |
| FAILED_OVER | VARCHAR2 (3) | Indicates (YES NO) whether the session is running in failover mode and failover has occurred |

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|--|
| RESOURCE_ CONSUMER_GROUP | VARCHAR2 (32) | Name of the session's current resource consumer group |
| PDML_STATUS | VARCHAR2 (8) | If ENABLED, the session is in a PARALLEL DML enabled mode. If DISABLED, PARALLEL DML enabled mode is not supported for the session. If FORCED, the session has been altered to force PARALLEL DML. |
| PDDL_STATUS | VARCHAR2 (8) | If ENABLED, the session is in a PARALLEL DDL enabled mode. If DISABLED, PARALLEL DDL enabled mode is not supported for the session. If FORCED, the session has been altered to force PARALLEL DDL. |
| PQ_STATUS | VARCHAR2 (8) | If ENABLED, the session is in a PARALLEL QUERY enabled mode. If DISABLED, PARALLEL QUERY enabled mode is not supported for the session. If FORCED, the session has been altered to force PARALLEL QUERY. |
| CURRENT_QUEUE_ DURATION | NUMBER | If queued (1), the current amount of time the session has been queued. If not currently queued, value is 0. |
| CLIENT_ IDENTIFIER | VARCHAR2 (64) | |

Table 3–3 Numbers Displayed in COMMAND Column of V\$SESSION and Corresponding Commands

| | | |
|----------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1: CREATE TABLE | 31: NOAUDIT | 61: DROP TRIGGER |
| 2: INSERT | 32: CREATE DATABASE LINK | 62: ANALYZE TABLE |
| 3: SELECT | 33: DROP DATABASE LINK | 63: ANALYZE INDEX |
| 4: CREATE CLUSTER | 34: CREATE DATABASE | 64: ANALYZE CLUSTER |
| 5: ALTER CLUSTER | 35: ALTER DATABASE | 65: CREATE PROFILE |
| 6: UPDATE | 36: CREATE ROLLBACK SEGMENT | 66: DROP PROFILE |
| 7: DELETE | 37: ALTER ROLLBACK SEGMENT | 67: ALTER PROFILE |
| 8: DROP CLUSTER | 38: DROP ROLLBACK SEGMENT | 68: DROP PROCEDURE |
| 9: CREATE INDEX | 39: CREATE TABLESPACE | 69: DROP PROCEDURE |
| 10: DROP INDEX | 40: ALTER TABLESPACE | 70: ALTER RESOURCE COST |
| 11: ALTER INDEX | 41: DROP TABLESPACE | 71: CREATE SNAPSHOT LOG |
| 12: DROP TABLE | 42: ALTER SESSION | 72: ALTER SNAPSHOT LOG |
| 13: CREATE SEQUENCE | 43: ALTER USE | 73: DROP SNAPSHOT LOG |
| 14: ALTER SEQUENCE | 44: COMMIT | 74: CREATE SNAPSHOT |
| 15: ALTER TABLE | 45: ROLLBACK | 75: ALTER SNAPSHOT |
| 16: DROP SEQUENCE | 46: SAVEPOINT | 76: DROP SNAPSHOT |
| 17: GRANT | 47: PL/SQL EXECUTE | 79: ALTER ROLE |
| 18: REVOKE | 48: SET TRANSACTION | 85: TRUNCATE TABLE |
| 19: CREATE SYNONYM | 49: ALTER SYSTEM SWITCH LOG | 86: TRUNCATE COUSTER |
| 20: DROP SYNONYM | 50: EXPLAIN | 88: ALTER VIEW |
| 21: CREATE VIEW | 51: CREATE USER | 91: CREATE FUNCTION |
| 22: DROP VIEW | 25: CREATE ROLE | 92: ALTER FUNCTION |
| 23: VALIDATE INDEX | 53: DROP USER | 93: DROP FUNCTION |
| 24: CREATE PROCEDURE | 54: DROP ROLE | 94: CREATE PACKAGE |
| 25: ALTER PROCEDURE | 55: SET ROLE | 95: ALTER PACKAGE |
| 26: LOCK TABLE | 56: CREATE SCHEMA | 96: DROP PACKAGE |
| 27: NO OPERATION | 57: CREATE CONTROL FILE | 97: CREATE PACKAGE BODY |
| 28: RENAME | 58: ALTER TRACING | 98: ALTER PACKAGE BODY |
| 29: COMMENT | 59: CREATE TRIGGER | 99: DROP PACKAGE BODY |
| 30: AUDIT | 60: ALTER TRIGGER | |

V\$SESSION_CONNECT_INFO

This view displays information about network connections for the current session.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|------------------------|----------------|---|
| SID | NUMBER | Session identifier (can be used to join this view with V\$SESSION) |
| AUTHENTICATION_TYPE | VARCHAR2(15) | How the user was authenticated: DATABASE - username/password authentication OS - operating system external user authentication NETWORK - network protocol or ANO authentication PROXY - OCI proxy connection authentication |
| OSUSER | VARCHAR2(30) | The external username for this database user |
| NETWORK_SERVICE_BANNER | VARCHAR2(2000) | Product banners for each Net8 service used for this connection (one row per banner) |

V\$SESSION_CURSOR_CACHE

This view displays information on cursor usage for the current session.

Note: The V\$SESSION_CURSOR_CACHE view is not a measure of the effectiveness of the SESSION_CACHED_CURSORS initialization parameter.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-------------|----------|--|
| MAXIMUM | NUMBER | Maximum number of cursors to cache. Once you hit this number, some cursors will need to be closed in order to open more. The value in this column is derived from the initialization parameter OPEN_CURSORS. |
| COUNT | NUMBER | The current number of cursors (whether they are in use or not) |
| OPENED_ONCE | NUMBER | Number of cursors opened at least once |
| OPEN | NUMBER | Current number of open cursors |
| OPENS | NUMBER | Cumulative total of cursor opens minus one. This is because the cursor that is currently open and being used for this query is not counted in the OPENS statistic. |
| HITS | NUMBER | Cumulative total of cursor open hits |
| HIT_RATIO | NUMBER | Ratio of the number of times an open cursor was found divided by the number of times a cursor was sought |

V\$SESSION_EVENT

This view lists information on waits for an event by a session. Note that the TIME_WAITED and AVERAGE_WAIT columns will contain a value of zero on those

platforms that do not support a fast timing mechanism. If you are running on one of these platforms and you want this column to reflect true wait times, you must set `TIMED_STATISTICS` to `TRUE` in the parameter file. Please remember that doing this will have a small negative effect on system performance.

See Also: ["TIMED_STATISTICS"](#) on page 1-167

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|----------------|-----------------|---|
| SID | NUMBER | The ID of the session |
| EVENT | VARCHAR2 (64) | The name of the wait event See Also: Appendix A, "Oracle Wait Events" |
| TOTAL_WAITS | NUMBER | The total number of waits for this event by this session |
| TOTAL_TIMEOUTS | NUMBER | The total number of timeouts for this event by this session |
| TIME_WAITED | NUMBER | The total amount of time waited for this event by this session, in hundredths of a second |
| AVERAGE_WAIT | NUMBER | The average amount of time waited for this event by this session, in hundredths of a second |
| MAX_WAIT | NUMBER | The maximum time (in hundredths of a second) waited for this event by this session |

V\$SESSION_LONGOPS

This view displays the status of various operations that run for longer than 6 seconds (in absolute time). These operations currently include many backup and recovery functions, statistics gathering, and query execution, and more operations are added for every Oracle release.

To monitor query execution progress, you must be using the cost-based optimizer and you must:

- Set the `TIMED_STATISTICS` or `SQL_TRACE` parameter to `TRUE`
- Gather statistics for your objects with the `ANALYZE` statement or the `DBMS_STATS` package

You can add information to this view about application-specific long-running operations by using the `DBMS_APPLICATION_INFO.SET_SESSION_LONGOPS` procedure.

See Also: *Oracle9i Supplied PL/SQL Packages and Types Reference* for more information on `DBMS_APPLICATION_INFO.SET_SESSION_LONGOPS`

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|------------------|------------------|---|
| SID | NUMBER | Session identifier |
| SERIAL# | NUMBER | Session serial number |
| OPNAME | VARCHAR2 (64) | Brief description of the operation |
| TARGET | VARCHAR2 (64) | The object on which the operation is carried out |
| TARGET_DESC | VARCHAR2 (32) | Description of the target |
| SOFAR | NUMBER | The units of work done so far |
| TOTALWORK | NUMBER | The total units of work |
| UNITS | VARCHAR2 (32) | The units of measurement |
| START_TIME | DATE | The starting time of operation |
| LAST_UPDATE_TIME | DATE | Time when statistics last updated |
| TIME_REMAINING | NUMBER | Estimate (in seconds) of time remaining for the operation to complete |
| ELAPSED_SECONDS | NUMBER | The number of elapsed seconds from the start of operations |
| CONTEXT | NUMBER | Context |
| MESSAGE | VARCHAR2 (512) | Statistics summary message |
| USERNAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | User ID of the user performing the operation |
| SQL_ADDRESS | RAW (4) | Used with the value of the <code>SQL_HASH_VALUE</code> column to identify the SQL statement associated with the operation |
| SQL_HASH_VALUE | NUMER | Used with the value of the <code>SQL_ADDRESS</code> column to identify the SQL statement associated with the operation |
| QCSID | NUMBER | Session identifier of the parallel coordinator |

V\$SESSION_OBJECT_CACHE

This view displays object cache statistics for the current user session on the local server (instance).

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------|----------|--|
| PINS | NUMBER | Number of object pins or look-ups in the cache |
| HITS | NUMBER | Number of object pins that found the object already in the cache |

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|------------------|----------|---|
| TRUE_HITS | NUMBER | Number of object pins that found the object already in the cache and in the desired state (thus, not requiring refresh from the database) |
| HIT_RATIO | NUMBER | The ratio of HITS/PINS |
| TRUE_HIT_RATIO | NUMBER | The ratio of TRUE_HITS/PINS |
| OBJECT_REFRESHES | NUMBER | Number of objects in the cache that were refreshed with a new value from the database |
| CACHE_REFRESHES | NUMBER | Number of times the whole cache (all objects) were refreshed |
| OBJECT_FLUSHES | NUMBER | Number of objects in the cache that were flushed to the database |
| CACHE_FLUSHES | NUMBER | Number of times the whole cache (all objects) were flushed to the database |
| CACHE_SHRINKS | NUMBER | Number of times the cache was shrunk to the optimal size |
| CACHED_OBJECTS | NUMBER | Number of objects currently cached |
| PINNED_OBJECTS | NUMBER | Number of objects currently pinned |
| CACHE_SIZE | NUMBER | Current size of the cache in bytes |
| OPTIMAL_SIZE | NUMBER | Optimal size of the cache in bytes |
| MAXIMUM_SIZE | NUMBER | Maximum size of the cache in bytes |

V\$SESSION_WAIT

This view lists the resources or events for which active sessions are waiting.

The following are tuning considerations:

- P1RAW, P2RAW, and P3RAW display the same values as the P1, P2, and P3 columns, except that the numbers are displayed in hexadecimal.
- The WAIT_TIME column contains a value of -2 on platforms that do not support a fast timing mechanism. If you are running on one of these platforms and you want this column to reflect true wait times, you must set the TIMED_STATISTICS parameter to TRUE. Remember that doing this has a small negative effect on system performance.

In previous releases the WAIT_TIME column contained an arbitrarily large value instead of a negative value to indicate the platform did not have a fast timing mechanism.

- The STATE column interprets the value of WAIT_TIME and describes the state of the current or most recent wait.

See Also: ["TIMED_STATISTICS"](#) on page 1-167 and [Appendix A, "Oracle Wait Events"](#)

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-----------------|-----------------|--|
| SID | NUMBER | Session identifier |
| SEQ# | NUMBER | Sequence number that uniquely identifies this wait. Incremented for each wait. |
| EVENT | VARCHAR2 (64) | Resource or event for which the session is waiting See Also: Appendix A, "Oracle Wait Events" |
| P1TEXT | VARCHAR2 | Description of first additional parameter |
| P1 | NUMBER | First additional parameter |
| P1RAW | RAW (4) | First additional parameter |
| P2TEXT | VARCHAR2 | Description of second parameter |
| P2 | NUMBER | Second additional parameter |
| P2RAW | RAW (4) | Second additional parameter |
| P3TEXT | VARCHAR2 | Description of third parameter |
| P3 | NUMBER | Third additional parameter |
| P3RAW | RAW (4) | Third additional parameter |
| WAIT_TIME | NUMBER | A nonzero value is the session's last wait time. A zero value means the session is currently waiting. |
| SECONDS_IN_WAIT | NUMBER | The seconds in wait |
| STATE | VARCHAR2 | Wait state: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ 0 - WAITING (the session is currently waiting) ■ -2 - WAITED UNKNOWN TIME (duration of last wait is unknown) ■ -1 - WAITED SHORT TIME (last wait <1/100th of a second) ■ >0 - WAITED KNOWN TIME (WAIT_TIME = duration of last wait) |

V\$SESSTAT

This view lists user session statistics. To find the name of the statistic associated with each statistic number (STATISTIC#), query the V\$STATNAME view.

See Also: ["V\\$STATNAME"](#) on page 3-135 and [Appendix C, "Statistics Descriptions"](#)

V\$SGA

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|------------|----------|---|
| SID | NUMBER | Session identifier |
| STATISTIC# | NUMBER | Statistic number (identifier) |
| | | Note: Statistics numbers are not guaranteed to remain constant from one release to another. Therefore, you should rely on the statistics name rather than its number in your applications. |
| VALUE | NUMBER | Statistic value |

V\$SGA

This view contains summary information on the system global area (SGA).

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------|----------|----------------------|
| NAME | VARCHAR2 | SGA component group |
| VALUE | NUMBER | Memory size in bytes |

V\$SGASTAT

This view contains detailed information on the system global area (SGA).

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------|----------|--|
| NAME | VARCHAR2 | SGA component name |
| BYTES | NUMBER | Memory size in bytes |
| POOL | VARCHAR2 | Designates the pool in which the memory in NAME resides: <ul style="list-style-type: none">■ LARGE POOL - memory is allocated from the large pool■ SHARED POOL - memory is allocated from the shared pool |

V\$SHARED_POOL_RESERVED

This fixed view lists statistics that help you tune the reserved pool and space within the shared pool.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------|----------|-------------|
|--------|----------|-------------|

The following columns of V\$SHARED_POOL_RESERVED are valid only if the initialization parameter SHARED_POOL_RESERVED_SIZE is set to a valid value.

See Also: ["SHARED_POOL_RESERVED_SIZE"](#) on page 1-155

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|---|----------|--|
| FREE_SPACE | NUMBER | Total amount of free space on the reserved list |
| AVG_FREE_SIZE | NUMBER | Average size of the free memory on the reserved list |
| FREE_COUNT | NUMBER | Number of free pieces of memory on the reserved list |
| MAX_FREE_SIZE | NUMBER | Size of the largest free piece of memory on the reserved list |
| USED_SPACE | NUMBER | Total amount of used memory on the reserved list |
| AVG_USED_SIZE | NUMBER | Average size of the used memory on the reserved list |
| USED_COUNT | NUMBER | Number of used pieces of memory on the reserved list |
| MAX_USED_SIZE | NUMBER | Size of the largest used piece of memory on the reserved list |
| REQUESTS | NUMBER | Number of times that the reserved list was searched for a free piece of memory |
| REQUEST_MISSES | NUMBER | Number of times the reserved list did not have a free piece of memory to satisfy the request, and started flushing objects from the LRU list |
| LAST_MISS_SIZE | NUMBER | Request size of the last request miss, when the reserved list did not have a free piece of memory to satisfy the request and started flushing objects from the LRU list |
| MAX_MISS_SIZE | NUMBER | Request size of the largest request miss, when the reserved list did not have a free piece of memory to satisfy the request and started flushing objects from the LRU list |
| The following columns of V\$SHARED_POOL_RESERVED contain values which are valid even if SHARED_POOL_RESERVED_SIZE is not set. | | |
| REQUEST_FAILURES | NUMBER | Number of times that no memory was found to satisfy a request (that is, the number of times the error ORA-4031 occurred) |
| LAST_FAILURE_SIZE | NUMBER | Request size of the last failed request (that is, the request size for the last ORA-4031 error) |
| ABORTED_REQUEST_THRESHOLD | NUMBER | Minimum size of a request which signals an ORA-4031 error without flushing objects |
| ABORTED_REQUESTS | NUMBER | Number of requests that signalled an ORA-4031 error without flushing objects |
| LAST_ABORTED_SIZE | NUMBER | Last size of the request that returned an ORA-4031 error without flushing objects from the LRU list |

V\$SHARED_SERVER

This view contains information on the shared server processes.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------|-----------|--------------------------|
| NAME | VARCHAR2 | Name of the server |
| PADDR | RAW (4) | Server's process address |

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|----------|-----------|--|
| STATUS | VARCHAR2 | Server status: EXEC - executing SQL WAIT (ENQ) - waiting for a lock WAIT (SEND) - waiting to send data to user WAIT (COMMON) - idle; waiting for a user request WAIT (RESET) - waiting for a circuit to reset after a break QUIT - terminating |
| MESSAGES | NUMBER | Number of messages processed |
| BYTES | NUMBER | Total number of bytes in all messages |
| BREAKS | NUMBER | Number of breaks |
| CIRCUIT | RAW (4) | Address of circuit currently being serviced |
| IDLE | NUMBER | Total idle time in hundredths of a second |
| BUSY | NUMBER | Total busy time in hundredths of a second |
| REQUESTS | NUMBER | Total number of requests taken from the common queue in this server's lifetime |

V\$SHARED_SERVER_MONITOR

This view contains information for tuning the shared server.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|----------------------|----------|---|
| MAXIMUM_ CONNECTIONS | NUMBER | The highest number of virtual circuits in use at one time since the instance started. If this value reaches the value set for the CIRCUITS initialization parameter, consider raising the value of CIRCUITS. See Also: "CIRCUITS" on page 1-23 |
| MAXIMUM_ SESSIONS | NUMBER | The highest number of shared server sessions in use at one time since the instance started. If this reaches the value set for the SHARED_SERVER_SESSIONS initialization parameter, consider raising the value of SHARED_SERVER_SESSIONS. See Also: "SHARED_SERVER_SESSIONS" on page 1-157 |
| SERVERS_STARTED | NUMBER | The total number of shared servers started since the instance started (but not including those started during startup) |
| SERVERS_ TERMINATED | NUMBER | The total number of shared servers stopped by Oracle since the instance started |
| SERVERS_ HIGHWATER | NUMBER | The highest number of servers running at one time since the instance started. If this value reaches the value set for the MAX_SHARED_SERVERS initialization parameter, consider raising the value of SHARED_SERVERS. See Also: "SHARED_SERVERS" on page 1-157 |

V\$SORT_SEGMENT

This view contains information about every sort segment in a given instance. The view is only updated when the tablespace is of the `TEMPORARY` type.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-----------------|-----------------|--|
| TABSPACE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (31) | Name of tablespace |
| SEGMENT_FILE | NUMBER | File number of the first extent |
| SEGMENT_BLOCK | NUMBER | Block number of the first extent |
| EXTENT_SIZE | NUMBER | Extent size |
| CURRENT_USERS | NUMBER | Number of active users of the segment |
| TOTAL_EXTENTS | NUMBER | Total number of extents in the segment |
| TOTAL_BLOCKS | NUMBER | Total number of blocks in the segment |
| RELATIVE_FNO | NUMBER | Relative file number of the sort segment header |
| USED_EXTENTS | NUMBER | Extents allocated to active sorts |
| USED_BLOCKS | NUMBER | Blocks allocated to active sorts |
| FREE_EXTENTS | NUMBER | Extents not allocated to any sort |
| FREE_BLOCKS | NUMBER | Blocks not allocated to any sort |
| ADDED_EXTENTS | NUMBER | Number of extent allocations |
| EXTENT_HITS | NUMBER | Number of times an unused extent was found in the pool |
| FREED_EXTENTS | NUMBER | Number of deallocated extents |
| FREE_REQUESTS | NUMBER | Number of requests to deallocate |
| MAX_SIZE | NUMBER | Maximum number of extents ever used |
| MAX_BLOCKS | NUMBER | Maximum number of blocks ever used |
| MAX_USED_SIZE | NUMBER | Maximum number of extents used by all sorts |
| MAX_USED_BLOCKS | NUMBER | Maximum number of blocks used by all sorts |
| MAX_SORT_SIZE | NUMBER | Maximum number of extents used by an individual sort |
| MAX_SORT_BLOCKS | NUMBER | Maximum number of blocks used by an individual sort |

V\$SORT_USAGE

This view describes sort usage.

V\$SPPARAMETER

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------------|-----------------|---|
| USER | VARCHAR2 (30) | This column is obsolete and maintained only for compatibility reasons. The value of this column is always equal to the value in USERNAME. |
| USERNAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | User who requested temporary space |
| SESSION_ADDR | RAW (4) | Address of shared SQL cursor |
| SESSION_NUM | NUMBER | Serial number of session |
| SQLADDR | RAW (4) | Address of SQL statement |
| SQLHASH | NUMBER | Hash value of SQL statement |
| TABLESPACE | VARCHAR2 (31) | Tablespace in which space is allocated |
| CONTENTS | VARCHAR2 (9) | Indicates whether tablespace is TEMPORARY PERMANENT |
| SEGTYPE | VARCHAR2 (9) | |
| SEGFILE# | NUMBER | File number of initial extent |
| SEGBLK# | NUMBER | Block number of the initial extent |
| EXTENTS | NUMBER | Extents allocated to the sort |
| BLOCKS | NUMBER | Extents in blocks allocated to the sort |
| SEGRFNO# | NUMBER | Relative file number of initial extent |

V\$SPPARAMETER

This view lists the contents of the SPFILE. The view returns NULL values if a PFILE was used to start up the instance.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|----------------|------------------|---|
| SID | VARCHAR2 (80) | SID for which the parameter is defined |
| NAME | VARCHAR2 (80) | Parameter name |
| VALUE | VARCHAR2 (255) | Parameter value |
| ISSPECIFIED | VARCHAR2 (6) | Whether the parameter is specified in SPFILE |
| ORDINAL | NUMBER | Ordinal number of value if it is in a list of strings |
| UPDATE_COMMENT | VARCHAR2 (255) | Comments for the last update |

V\$SQL

This view lists statistics on shared SQL area without the GROUP BY clause and contains one row for each child of the original SQL text entered.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-------------------|----------------|--|
| SQL_TEXT | VARCHAR2(1000) | The first thousand characters of the SQL text for the current cursor |
| SHARABLE_MEM | NUMBER | Amount of shared memory, in bytes, used by this child cursor |
| PERSISTENT_MEM | NUMBER | Fixed amount of memory, in bytes, used for the lifetime of this child cursor |
| RUNTIME_MEM | NUMBER | Fixed amount of memory required during the execution of this child cursor |
| SORTS | NUMBER | The number of sorts that was done for this child cursor |
| LOADED_VERSIONS | NUMBER | 1 if context heap is loaded, 0 otherwise |
| OPEN_VERSIONS | NUMBER | 1 if the child cursor is locked, 0 otherwise |
| USERS_OPENING | NUMBER | The number of users executing the statement |
| EXECUTIONS | NUMBER | The number of executions that took place on this object since it was brought into the library cache |
| USERS_EXECUTING | NUMBER | The number of users executing the statement |
| LOADS | NUMBER | The number of times the object was loaded or reloaded |
| FIRST_LOAD_TIME | VARCHAR2(19) | The time stamp of the parent creation time |
| INVALIDATIONS | NUMBER | The number of times this child cursor has been invalidated |
| PARSE_CALLS | NUMBER | The number of parse calls for this child cursor |
| DISK_READS | NUMBER | The number of disk reads for this child cursor |
| BUFFER_GETS | NUMBER | The number of buffer gets for this child cursor |
| ROWS_PROCESSED | NUMBER | The total number of rows the parsed SQL statement returns |
| COMMAND_TYPE | NUMBER | The Oracle command type definition |
| OPTIMIZER_MODE | VARCHAR2(10) | Mode under which the SQL statement is executed |
| OPTIMIZER_COST | NUMBER | The cost of this query given by the optimizer |
| PARSING_USER_ID | NUMBER | The user ID of the user who originally built this child cursor |
| PARSING_SCHEMA_ID | NUMBER | The schema ID that was used to originally build this child cursor |
| KEPT_VERSIONS | NUMBER | Indicates whether this child cursor has been marked to be kept pinned in cache using the DBMS_SHARED_POOL package |
| ADDRESS | RAW(4) | The address of the handle to the parent for this cursor |
| TYPE_CHK_HEAP | RAW(4) | The descriptor of the type check heap for this child cursor |
| HASH_VALUE | NUMBER | The hash value of the parent statement in the library cache |
| PLAN_HASH_VALUE | NUMBER | A numerical representation of the SQL plan for this cursor. Comparing one PLAN_HASH_VALUE to another easily identifies whether or not two plans are the same (rather than comparing the two plans line by line). |
| CHILD_NUMBER | NUMBER | The number of this child cursor |

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|---------------------|-----------------|---|
| MODULE | VARCHAR2 (64) | Contains the name of the module that was executing at the time that the SQL statement was first parsed as set by calling DBMS_APPLICATION_INFO.SET_MODULE |
| MODULE_HASH | NUMBER | The hash value of the module that is named in the MODULE column |
| ACTION | VARCHAR2 (64) | Contains the name of the action that was executing at the time that the SQL statement was first parsed as set by calling DBMS_APPLICATION_INFO.SET_ACTION |
| ACTION_HASH | NUMBER | The hash value of the action that is named in the ACTION column |
| SERIALIZABLE_ABORTS | NUMBER | The number of times the transaction fails to serialize, producing ORA-08177 errors, per cursor |
| OUTLINE_CATEGORY | VARCHAR2 (64) | If an outline was applied during construction of the cursor, this column displays the category of that outline. Otherwise the column is left blank. |
| CPU_TIME | NUMBER | CPU time (in microseconds) used by this cursor for parsing/executing/fetching |
| ELAPSED_TIME | NUMBER | Elapsed time (in microseconds) used by this cursor for parsing/executing/fetching |
| OUTLINE_SID | NUMBER | Outline session identifier |
| CHILD_ADDRESS | RAW (4) | Address of the child cursor |
| SQLTYPE | NUMBER | Denotes the version of the SQL language used for this statement |
| REMOTE | VARCHAR2 (1) | (Y/N) Identifies whether the cursor is remote mapped |
| OBJECT_STATUS | VARCHAR2 (19) | Status of the cursor (VALID/INVALID) |
| LITERAL_HASH_VALUE | NUMBER | The hash value of the literals which are replaced with system generated bind variables and are to be matched, when CURSOR_SHARING is used. This is not the hash value for the SQL statement. If CURSOR_SHARING is not used, the value is 0. |
| LAST_LOAD_TIME | VARCHAR2 (19) | |

V\$SQL_BIND_DATA

For each distinct bind variable in each cursor owned by the session querying this view, this view describes:

- Actual bind data, if the bind variable is user defined
- The underlying literal, if the CURSOR_SHARING parameter is set to FORCE and the bind variable is system generated. (System-generated binds have a value of 256 in the SHARED_FLAG2 column.)

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-----------------|-------------------|---|
| CURSOR_NUM | NUMBER | Cursor number for this bind |
| POSITION | NUMBER | Bind position |
| DATATYPE | NUMBER | Bind datatype |
| SHARED_MAX_LEN | NUMBER | Shared maximum length for this bind from the shared cursor object associated with this bind |
| PRIVATE_MAX_LEN | NUMBER | Private maximum length for this bind sent from the client |
| ARRAY_SIZE | NUMBER | Maximum number of array elements (for array binds only) |
| PRECISION | NUMBER | Precision (for numeric binds) |
| SCALE | NUMBER | Scale (for numeric binds) |
| SHARED_FLAG | NUMBER | Shared bind data flags |
| SHARED_FLAG2 | NUMBER | Shared bind data flags (continued) |
| BUF_ADDRESS | RAW (4) | Bind buffer memory address |
| BUF_LENGTH | NUMBER | Bind buffer length |
| VAL_LENGTH | NUMBER | Actual bind value length |
| BUF_FLAG | NUMBER | Bind buffer flags |
| INDICATOR | NUMBER | Bind indicator |
| VALUE | VARCHAR2 (4000) | Contents of the bind buffer |

V\$SQL_BIND_METADATA

- For each distinct bind variable in each cursor owned by the session querying this view, this view describes:
- Bind metadata provided by the client, if the bind variable is user defined
 - Metadata based on the underlying literal, if the CURSOR_SHARING parameter is set to FORCE and the bind variable is system-generated.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|------------|-----------|---|
| ADDRESS | RAW (4) | Memory address of the child cursor that owns this bind variable |
| POSITION | NUMBER | Bind position |
| DATATYPE | NUMBER | Bind datatype |
| MAX_LENGTH | NUMBER | Maximum length of the bind value |
| ARRAY_LEN | NUMBER | Maximum number of array elements (for array binds only) |

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-----------|-----------------|---|
| BIND_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | User-defined or system-generated bind variable name (if used) |

V\$SQL_CURSOR

This view displays debugging information for each cursor associated with the session querying this view.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|---------------|-----------------|---|
| CURNO | NUMBER | Cursor number |
| FLAG | NUMBER | Flags set in the cursor |
| STATUS | VARCHAR2 (9) | Status of the cursor; that is, what state the cursor is in |
| PARENT_HANDLE | RAW (4) | Pointer to the parent cursor handle |
| PARENT_LOCK | RAW (4) | Pointer to the parent cursor lock |
| CHILD_LOCK | RAW (4) | Pointer to the child cursor lock |
| CHILD_PIN | RAW (4) | Pointer to the child cursor pin |
| PERS_HEAP_MEM | NUMBER | Total amount of memory allocated from persistent heap for this cursor |
| WORK_HEAP_MEM | NUMBER | Total amount of memory allocated from the work heap for this cursor |
| BIND_VARS | NUMBER | Total number of bind positions in the query currently parsed into this cursor |
| DEFINE_VARS | NUMBER | Total number of define variables in the query currently parsed into this cursor |
| BIND_MEM_LOC | VARCHAR2 (64) | Which memory heap the bind variables are stored in: either the UGA or the CGA |
| INST_FLAG | VARCHAR2 (64) | Instantiation object flags |
| INST_FLAG2 | VARCHAR2 (64) | Instantiation object flags (continued) |

V\$SQL_PLAN

This view contains the execution plan information for each child cursor loaded in the library cache.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|------------|-----------|--|
| ADDRESS | RAW (4) | The address of the handle to the parent for this cursor |
| HASH_VALUE | NUMBER | The hash value of the parent statement in the library cache. The two columns (ADDRESS, HASH_VALUE) can be used to join with V\$SQLAREA to add the cursor-specific information. |

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-----------------|----------------|--|
| CHILD_NUMBER | NUMBER | Child cursor number using this execution plan. The columns (ADDRESS, HASH_VALUE, CHILD_NUMBER) can be used to join with V\$SQL to add the child cursor-specific information. |
| OPERATION | VARCHAR2(30) | The name of the internal operation performed in this step (for example, TABLE ACCESS) |
| OPTIONS | VARCHAR2(30) | A variation on the operation described in the OPERATION column (for example, FULL) |
| OBJECT_NODE | VARCHAR2(10) | The name of the database link used to reference the object (a table name or view name). For local queries using parallel execution, this column describes the order in which output from operations is consumed. |
| OBJECT# | NUMBER | The object number of the table or the index |
| OBJECT_OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | The name of the user who owns the schema containing the table or index |
| OBJECT_NAME | VARCHAR2(64) | The name of the table or index |
| OPTIMIZER | VARCHAR2(20) | The current mode of the optimizer for the first row in the plan (statement line), for example, CHOOSE. When the operation is a database access (for example, TABLE ACCESS), this column indicates whether or not the object is analyzed. |
| ID | NUMBER | A number assigned to each step in the execution plan |
| PARENT_ID | NUMBER | The ID of the next execution step that operates on the output of the current step |
| DEPTH | NUMBER | The depth (or level) of the operation in the tree. (It's not necessary to perform a "CONNECT BY" to get the level information, generally used to indent the rows from the PLAN_TABLE). The root operation (statement) is level 0. |
| POSITION | NUMBER | The order of processing for all operations that have the same PARENT_ID |
| COST | NUMBER | The cost of the operation as estimated by the optimizer's cost-based approach. For statements that use the rule-based approach, this column is null. |
| CARDINALITY | NUMBER | The estimate, by the cost-based optimizer, of the number of rows produced by the operation |
| BYTES | NUMBER | The estimate, by the cost-based optimizer, of the number of bytes produced by the operation |
| OTHER_TAG | VARCHAR2(35) | Describes the contents of the OTHER column. See EXPLAIN PLAN for values. |
| PARTITION_START | VARCHAR2(5) | The start partition of a range of accessed partitions |
| PARTITION_STOP | VARCHAR2(5) | The stop partition of a range of accessed partitions |
| PARTITION_ID | NUMBER | The step that computes the pair of values of the PARTITION_START and PARTITION_STOP columns |
| OTHER | VARCHAR2(4000) | Other information specific to the execution step that users may find useful. See EXPLAIN PLAN for values. |

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------------|--------------|---|
| DISTRIBUTION | VARCHAR2(20) | Stores the method used to distribute rows from producer query servers to consumer query servers |

V\$SQL_REDIRECTION

This view identifies SQL statements that are redirected.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-------------------|----------------|---|
| ADDRESS | RAW(4) | KGL address |
| PARENT_HANDLE | RAW(4) | KGL address of parent |
| HASH_VALUE | NUMBER | SQL hash |
| CHILD_NUMBER | NUMBER | Number of child (instance) for hash |
| PARSING_USER_ID | NUMBER | |
| PARSING_SCHEMA_ID | NUMBER | |
| COMMAND_TYPE | NUMBER | SELECT, UPDATE, INSERT, MERGE |
| REASON | VARCHAR2(14) | Reason for redirection ('INVALID OBJECT', 'ROWID', 'QUERY REWRITE', 'READ ONLY') |
| ERROR_CODE | NUMBER | Error code for local parse |
| POSITION | NUMBER | Error position, 0 if unknown |
| SQL_TEXT_PIECE | VARCHAR2(1000) | SQL Text containing position, usually a (qualified) identifier |
| ERROR_MESSAGE | VARCHAR2(1000) | Error code's corresponding error message resolved in the database language, no arguments resolved |

V\$SQL_SHARED_CURSOR

This view describes explains why a particular child cursor is not shared with existing child cursors. Each column identifies a specific reason why the cursor cannot be shared.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------------------|-------------|--|
| ADDRESS | RAW(4) | Address of the child cursor |
| KGLHDPAR | RAW(4) | (Y N) Address of the pattern cursor |
| UNBOUND_CURSOR | VARCHAR2(1) | (Y N) The existing child cursor was not fully built (in other words, it was not optimized) |
| SQL_TYPE_MISMATCH | VARCHAR2(1) | (Y N) The SQL type does not match the existing child cursor |
| OPTIMIZER_MISMATCH | VARCHAR2(1) | (Y N) The optimizer environment does not match the existing child cursor |

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|---------------------------|-------------|---|
| OUTLINE_MISMATCH | VARCHAR2(1) | (Y N) The outlines do not match the existing child cursor |
| STATS_ROW_MISMATCH | VARCHAR2(1) | (Y N) The existing statistics do not match the existing child cursor |
| LITERAL_MISMATCH | VARCHAR2(1) | (Y N) Non-data literal values do not match the existing child cursor |
| SEC_DEPTH_MISMATCH | VARCHAR2(1) | (Y N) Security level does not match the existing child cursor |
| EXPLAIN_PLAN_CURSOR | VARCHAR2(1) | (Y N) The child cursor is an explain plan cursor and should not be shared |
| BUFFERED_DML_MISMATCH | VARCHAR2(1) | (Y N) Buffered DML does not match the existing child cursor |
| PDML_ENV_MISMATCH | VARCHAR2(1) | (Y N) PDML environment does not match the existing child cursor |
| INST_DRTL_D_MISMATCH | VARCHAR2(1) | (Y N) Insert direct load does not match the existing child cursor |
| SLAVE_QC_MISMATCH | VARCHAR2(1) | (Y N) The existing child cursor is a slave cursor and the new one was issued by the coordinator (or, the existing child cursor was issued by the coordinator and the new one is a slave cursor) |
| TYPECHECK_MISMATCH | VARCHAR2(1) | (Y N) The existing child cursor is not fully optimized |
| AUTH_CHECK_MISMATCH | VARCHAR2(1) | (Y N) Authorization/translation check failed for the existing child cursor |
| BIND_MISMATCH | VARCHAR2(1) | (Y N) The bind metadata does not match the existing child cursor |
| DESCRIBE_MISMATCH | VARCHAR2(1) | (Y N) The typecheck heap is not present during the describe for the child cursor |
| LANGUAGE_MISMATCH | VARCHAR2(1) | (Y N) The language handle does not match the existing child cursor |
| TRANSLATION_MISMATCH | VARCHAR2(1) | (Y N) The base objects of the existing child cursor do not match |
| ROW_LEVEL_SEC_MISMATCH | VARCHAR2(1) | (Y N) The row level security policies do not match |
| INSUFF_PRIVS | VARCHAR2(1) | (Y N) Insufficient privileges on objects referenced by the existing child cursor |
| INSUFF_PRIVS_REM | VARCHAR2(1) | (Y N) Insufficient privileges on remote objects referenced by the existing child cursor |
| REMOTE_TRANS_MISMATCH | VARCHAR2(1) | (Y N) The remote base objects of the existing child cursor do not match |
| LOGMINER_SESSION_MISMATCH | VARCHAR2(1) | (Y N) |
| INCOMP_LTRL_MISMATCH | VARCHAR2(1) | (Y N) |

V\$SQL_SHARED_MEMORY

This view displays information about the cursor shared memory snapshot. Each SQL statement stored in the shared pool has one or more child objects associated with it. Each child object has a number of parts, one of which is the context heap, which holds, among other things, the query plan.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------------|----------------|---|
| SQL_TEXT | VARCHAR2(1000) | The SQL text of the shared cursor child object for which this row is displaying information |
| HASH_VALUE | NUMBER | The hash value of the above SQL text in the shared pool |
| HEAP_DESC | RAW(4) | The address of the descriptor for the context heap of the child cursor described in this row |
| STRUCTURE | VARCHAR2(16) | If the memory chunk described in this row was allocated using a comment of the form "X : Y", then this is the "X" part of the comment |
| FUNCTION | VARCHAR2(16) | Similar to the STRUCTURE column, this is the "Y" field of the comment |
| COMMENT | VARCHAR2(16) | The whole comment field that was supplied when this memory chunk was allocated |
| CHUNK_PTR | RAW(4) | The starting address of the allocated memory chunk |
| CHUNK_SIZE | NUMBER | The amount of memory allocated for this chunk |
| ALLOC_CLASS | VARCHAR2(8) | Class of memory that this chunk of memory belongs to. It will usually be either FREEABLE or PERMANENT. |
| CHUNK_TYPE | NUMBER | An index into a table of callback functions that tell the server how to recreate this chunk of memory should it need to be removed from the shared pool based on an LRU algorithm |
| SUBHEAP_DESC | RAW(4) | If the parent heap of this context heap is itself a subheap, then this is the address of the descriptor of the parent heap |

V\$SQL_WORKAREA

This view displays information about work areas used by SQL cursors. Each SQL statement stored in the shared pool has one or more child cursors that are listed in the V\$SQL view. V\$SQL_WORKAREA lists all work areas needed by these child cursors; V\$SQL_WORKAREA can be joined with V\$SQLAREA on (ADDRESS, HASH_VALUE) and with V\$SQL on (ADDRESS, HASH_VALUE, CHILD_NUMBER).

You can use this view to find out answers to the following questions:

- What are the top 10 work areas that require the most cache area?
- For work areas allocated in AUTO mode, what percentage of work areas are running using maximum memory?

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|------------------------|-----------------|---|
| ADDRESS | RAW (4) | Address of the parent cursor handle |
| HASH_VALUE | NUMBER | The hash value of the parent statement in the library cache. Two columns (PARENT_HANDLE, HASH_VALUE) can be used to join with V\$SQLAREA to locate the parent cursor. |
| CHILD_NUMBER | NUMBER | Child cursor number using this work area. The columns (PARENT_HANDLE, HASH_VALUE, CHILD_NUMBER) can be used to join with V\$SQL to locate the child cursor using this area. |
| WORKAREA_ADDRESS | RAW (4) | Address of the workarea handle. This is the "primary key" for the view. |
| OPERATION_TYPE | VARCHAR2 (20) | Type of operation using the work area (for example, SORT, HASH JOIN, GROUP BY, BUFFERING, BITMAP MERGE, BITMAP CREATE) |
| OPERATION_ID | NUMBER | A unique number used to identify the operation in the execution plan. This identifier can be joined to V\$SQL_PLAN to locate the operation that uses this work area. |
| POLICY | VARCHAR2 (10) | Sizing policy for this work area (MANUAL or AUTO) |
| ESTIMATED_OPTIMAL_SIZE | NUMBER | Estimated size (in KB) required by this work area to execute the operation completely in memory (optimal execution). Derived from either optimizer statistics or previous executions. |
| ESTIMATED_ONEPASS_SIZE | NUMBER | Estimated size (in KB) required by this work area to execute the operation in a single pass. Derived from either optimizer statistics or previous executions. |
| LAST_MEMORY_USED | NUMBER | The memory (in KB) used by this work area during the last execution of the cursor |
| LAST_EXECUTION | VARCHAR2 (10) | Indicates whether this work area runs using OPTIMAL, ONE PASS, or ONE PASS memory requirement (or MULTI-PASS), during the last execution of the cursor |
| TOTAL_EXECUTIONS | NUMBER | Number of times this work area was active |
| OPTIMAL_EXECUTIONS | NUMBER | Number of times this work area ran in optimal mode |
| ONEPASS_EXECUTIONS | NUMBER | Number of times this work area ran in one-pass mode |
| MULTIPASSES_EXECUTIONS | NUMBER | Number of times this work area ran below the one-pass memory requirement |
| ACTIVE_TIME | NUMBER | Average time this work area is active (in centi-seconds) |

V\$SQL_WORKAREA_ACTIVE

V\$SQL_WORKAREA_ACTIVE contains an instantaneous view of the work areas currently allocated by the system. You can join this view against V\$SQL_WORKAREA on the WORKAREA_HANDLE to access the definition of that work area.

You can use this view to answer the following:

- What are the top 10 largest work areas currently allocated in my system?
- What percentage of memory is over-allocated (EXPECTED_SIZE < ACTUAL_MEM_USED) and under-allocated (EXPECTED_SIZE > ACTUAL_MEM_USED)?
- What are the active work areas using more memory than what is expected by the memory manager?

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|------------------|--------------|---|
| WORKAREA_ADDRESS | RAW(4) | Address of the workarea handle. This is the "primary key" for the view. |
| OPERATION_TYPE | VARCHAR2(20) | Type of operation using the work area (for example, SORT, HASH JOIN, GROUP BY, BUFFERING, BITMAP MERGE, BITMAP CREATE) |
| OPERATION_ID | NUMBER | A unique number used to identify the operation in the execution plan. This identifier can be joined to V\$SQL_PLAN to locate the operation that uses this work area. |
| POLICY | VARCHAR2(10) | Sizing policy for this work area (MANUAL or AUTO) |
| SID | NUMBER | Session identifier |
| QCINST_ID | NUMBER | Query coordinator instance identifier. Along with QCSID, enables you to uniquely identify the query coordinator. |
| QCSID | NUMBER | Query coordinator session identifier. This is the same as the SID if the work area is allocated by a serial cursor. |
| ACTIVE_TIME | NUMBER | Average time this work area is active (in centi-seconds) |
| WORK_AREA_SIZE | NUMBER | Maximum size of the work area as it is currently used by the operation |
| EXPECTED_SIZE | NUMBER | Expected size (in KB) for this work area. EXPECTED_SIZE is set on behalf of the operation by the memory manager. Memory can be over-allocated when the WORK_AREA_SIZE has a higher value than EXPECTED_SIZE. This can occur when the operation using this work area takes a long time to resize it. |
| ACTUAL_MEM_USED | NUMBER | The amount of PGA memory (in KB) currently allocated on behalf of this work area. This value should range between 0 and WORK_AREA_SIZE. |
| MAX_MEM_USED | NUMBER | The maximum memory amount (in KB) used by this work area |
| NUMBER_PASSES | NUMBER | The number of passes corresponding to this work area (0 if running in OPTIMAL mode) |

V\$SQLAREA

This view lists statistics on shared SQL area and contains one row per SQL string. It provides statistics on SQL statements that are in memory, parsed, and ready for execution.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-------------------|----------------|--|
| SQL_TEXT | VARCHAR2(1000) | The first eighty characters of the SQL text for the current cursor |
| SHARABLE_MEM | NUMBER | Amount of shared memory used by a cursor. If multiple child cursors exist, the sum of all shared memory used by all child cursors. |
| PERSISTENT_MEM | NUMBER | Fixed amount of memory used for the lifetime of an open cursor. If multiple child cursors exist, the fixed sum of memory used for the lifetime of all the child cursors. |
| RUNTIME_MEM | NUMBER | Fixed amount of memory required during execution of a cursor. If multiple child cursors exist, the fixed sum of all memory required during execution of all the child cursors. |
| SORTS | NUMBER | The sum of the number of sorts that was done for all the children |
| VERSION_COUNT | NUMBER | The number of children that are present in the cache under this parent |
| LOADED_VERSIONS | NUMBER | The number of children that are present in the cache and have their context heap (KGL heap 6) loaded |
| OPEN_VERSIONS | NUMBER | The number of child cursors that are currently open under this current parent |
| USERS_OPENING | NUMBER | The number of users that have any of the child cursors open |
| EXECUTIONS | NUMBER | The total number of executions, totalled over all the children |
| USERS_EXECUTING | NUMBER | The total number of users executing the statement over all children |
| LOADS | NUMBER | The number of times the object was loaded or reloaded |
| FIRST_LOAD_TIME | VARCHAR2(19) | The time stamp of the parent creation time |
| INVALIDATIONS | NUMBER | The total number of invalidations over all the children |
| PARSE_CALLS | NUMBER | The sum of all parse calls to all the child cursors under this parent |
| DISK_READS | NUMBER | The sum of the number of disk reads over all child cursors |
| BUFFER_GETS | NUMBER | The sum of buffer gets over all child cursors |
| ROWS_PROCESSED | NUMBER | The total number of rows processed on behalf of this SQL statement |
| COMMAND_TYPE | NUMBER | The Oracle command type definition |
| OPTIMIZER_MODE | VARCHAR2(10) | Mode under which the SQL statement is executed |
| PARSING_USER_ID | NUMBER | The user ID of the user that has parsed the very first cursor under this parent |
| PARSING_SCHEMA_ID | NUMBER | The schema ID that was used to parse this child cursor |
| KEPT_VERSIONS | NUMBER | The number of child cursors that have been marked to be kept using the DBMS_SHARED_POOL package |
| ADDRESS | RAW(4) | The address of the handle to the parent for this cursor |
| HASH_VALUE | NUMBER | The hash value of the parent statement in the library cache |

V\$SQLTEXT

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|---------------------|-----------------|---|
| MODULE | VARCHAR2 (64) | Contains the name of the module that was executing at the time that the SQL statement was first parsed as set by calling DBMS_APPLICATION_INFO.SET_MODULE |
| MODULE_HASH | NUMBER | The hash value of the module that is named in the MODULE column |
| ACTION | VARCHAR2 (64) | Contains the name of the action that was executing at the time that the SQL statement was first parsed as set by calling DBMS_APPLICATION_INFO.SET_ACTION |
| ACTION_HASH | NUMBER | The hash value of the action that is named in the ACTION column |
| SERIALIZABLE_ABORTS | NUMBER | The number of times the transaction fails to serialize, producing ORA-8177 errors, totalled over all the children |

V\$SQLTEXT

This view contains the text of SQL statements belonging to shared SQL cursors in the SGA.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------------|----------|--|
| ADDRESS | RAW | Used with HASH_VALUE to identify uniquely a cached cursor |
| HASH_VALUE | NUMBER | Used with ADDRESS to identify uniquely a cached cursor |
| PIECE | NUMBER | Number used to order the pieces of SQL text |
| SQL_TEXT | VARCHAR2 | A column containing one piece of the SQL text |
| COMMAND_TYPE | NUMBER | Code for the type of SQL statement (SELECT, INSERT, and so on) |

V\$SQLTEXT_WITH_NEWLINES

This view is identical to the V\$SQLTEXT view except that, to improve legibility, V\$SQLTEXT_WITH_NEWLINES does not replace newlines and tabs in the SQL statement with spaces.

See Also: ["V\\$SQLTEXT"](#) on page 3-134

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|------------|----------|---|
| ADDRESS | RAW | Used with HASH_VALUE to identify uniquely a cached cursor |
| HASH_VALUE | NUMBER | Used with ADDRESS to identify uniquely a cached cursor |
| PIECE | NUMBER | Number used to order the pieces of SQL text |
| SQL_TEXT | VARCHAR2 | A column containing one piece of the SQL text |

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------------|----------|--|
| COMMAND_TYPE | NUMBER | Code for the type of SQL statement (SELECT, INSERT, and so on) |

V\$STATNAME

This view displays decoded statistic names for the statistics shown in the V\$SESSTAT and V\$SYSSTAT tables.

On some platforms, the NAME and CLASS columns contain additional operating system-specific statistics.

See Also:

- ["V\\$SESSTAT"](#) on page 3-117 and ["V\\$SYSSTAT"](#) on page 3-136
- [Appendix C, "Statistics Descriptions"](#) for a description of each statistic
- Your operating system specific Oracle documentation

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|------------|----------|--|
| STATISTIC# | NUMBER | Statistic number Note: Statistics numbers are not guaranteed to remain constant from one release to another. Therefore, you should rely on the statistics name rather than its number in your applications. |
| NAME | VARCHAR2 | Statistic name |
| CLASS | NUMBER | A number representing one or more statistics class. The following class numbers are additive: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ 1 - User ■ 2 - Redo ■ 4 - Enqueue ■ 8 - Cache ■ 16 - OS ■ 32 - Oracle Real Application Cluster ■ 64 - SQL ■ 128 - Debug |

V\$SUBCACHE

This view displays information about the subordinate caches currently loaded into library cache memory. The view walks through the library cache, printing out a row for each loaded subordinate cache per library cache object.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|------------|-------------------|---|
| OWNER_NAME | VARCHAR2 (64) | Owner of object containing these cache entries |
| NAME | VARCHAR2 (1000) | Object Name |
| TYPE | NUMBER | Object Type |
| HEAP_NUM | NUMBER | Heap number containing this subordinate cache |
| CACHE_ID | NUMBER | Subordinate cache ID |
| CACHE_CNT | NUMBER | Number of entries for this cache in this object |
| HEAP_SZ | NUMBER | Amount of extent space allocated to this heap |
| HEAP_ALOC | NUMBER | Amount of extent space allocated from this heap |
| HEAP_USED | NUMBER | Amount of space utilized in this heap |

V\$SYSSTAT

This view lists system statistics. To find the name of the statistic associated with each statistic number (STATISTIC#), query the V\$STATNAME view.

See Also: ["V\\$STATNAME"](#) on page 3-135 and [Appendix C, "Statistics Descriptions"](#)

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|------------|-----------------|---|
| STATISTIC# | NUMBER | Statistic number |
| | | Note: Statistics numbers are not guaranteed to remain constant from one release to another. Therefore, you should rely on the statistics name rather than its number in your applications. |
| NAME | VARCHAR2 (64) | Statistic name |

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------|----------|--|
| CLASS | NUMBER | A number representing one or more statistics class. The following class numbers are additive: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ 1 - User ■ 2 - Redo ■ 4 - Enqueue ■ 8 - Cache ■ 16 - OS ■ 32 - Oracle Real Application Cluster ■ 64 - SQL ■ 128 - Debug |
| VALUE | NUMBER | Statistic value |

V\$SYSTEM_CURSOR_CACHE

This view displays similar information to the `V$SESSION_CURSOR_CACHE` view except that this information is system wide.

See Also: ["V\\$SESSION_CURSOR_CACHE"](#) on page 3-113

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-----------|----------|--|
| OPENS | NUMBER | Cumulative total of cursor opens |
| HITS | NUMBER | Cumulative total of cursor open hits |
| HIT_RATIO | NUMBER | Ratio of the number of times you found an open cursor divided by the number of times you looked for a cursor |

V\$SYSTEM_EVENT

This view contains information on total waits for an event. Note that the `TIME_WAITED` and `AVERAGE_WAIT` columns will contain a value of zero on those platforms that do not support a fast timing mechanism. If you are running on one of these platforms and you want this column to reflect true wait times, you must set `TIMED_STATISTICS` to `TRUE` in the parameter file; doing this will have a small negative effect on system performance.

See Also: ["TIMED_STATISTICS"](#) on page 1-167

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|----------------|-----------------|---|
| EVENT | VARCHAR2 (64) | The name of the wait event |
| TOTAL_WAITS | NUMBER | The total number of waits for this event |
| TOTAL_TIMEOUTS | NUMBER | The total number of timeouts for this event |
| TIME_WAITED | NUMBER | The total amount of time waited for this event, in hundredths of a second |
| AVERAGE_WAIT | NUMBER | The average amount of time waited for this event, in hundredths of a second |

V\$SYSTEM_PARAMETER

This view lists parameters and parameter values that are currently in effect for this instance of Oracle. A new session inherits parameter values from the system values.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|------------------|------------------|--|
| NUM | NUMBER | Parameter number |
| NAME | VARCHAR2 (64) | Parameter name |
| TYPE | NUMBER | Parameter type: <ul style="list-style-type: none">1: Boolean2: string3: integer4: file5: reserved6: big integer |
| VALUE | VARCHAR2 (512) | Parameter value |
| ISDEFAULT | VARCHAR2 (9) | Whether the parameter value is the default |
| ISSES_MODIFIABLE | VARCHAR2 (5) | TRUE - the parameter can be changed with ALTER SESSION FALSE - the parameter cannot be changed with ALTER SESSION |
| ISSYS_MODIFIABLE | VARCHAR2 (9) | IMMEDIATE - the parameter can be changed with ALTER SYSTEM DEFERRED - the parameter cannot be changed until the next session FALSE - the parameter cannot be changed with ALTER SYSTEM |
| ISMODIFIED | VARCHAR2 (8) | Indicates how the parameter was modified. If an ALTER SYSTEM was performed, the value will be MODIFIED. |
| ISADJUSTED | VARCHAR2 (5) | Indicates that the rdbms adjusted the input value to a more suitable value (for example, the parameter value should be prime, but the user input a non-prime number, so the rdbms adjusted the value to the next prime number) |
| DESCRIPTION | VARCHAR2 (64) | A descriptive comment about the parameter |

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|----------------|------------------|---|
| UPDATE_COMMENT | VARCHAR2 (255) | Comments associated with the most recent update |

V\$SYSTEM_PARAMETER2

This view lists parameters and parameter values that are currently in effect for this instance of Oracle. A new session inherits parameter values from the system values. Each list parameter value appears as a row in the view.

Presenting the list parameter values in this format enables you to quickly determine the values for a list parameter. For example, if a parameter value is "a,b" looking at V\$SYSTEM_PARAMETER does not tell you if the parameter has two values ("a" and "b") or one value ("a, b"). V\$SYSTEM_PARAMETER2 makes the distinction between the list parameter values clear.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|------------------|------------------|--|
| NUM | NUMBER | Parameter number |
| NAME | VARCHAR2 (64) | Parameter name |
| TYPE | NUMBER | Parameter type: <ul style="list-style-type: none">1: Boolean2: string3: integer4: file5: reserved6: big integer |
| VALUE | VARCHAR2 (512) | Parameter value |
| ISDEFAULT | VARCHAR2 (6) | Whether the parameter value is the default |
| ISSES_MODIFIABLE | VARCHAR2 (5) | TRUE - the parameter can be changed with ALTER SESSION FALSE - the parameter cannot be changed with ALTER SESSION |
| ISSYS_MODIFIABLE | VARCHAR2 (9) | IMMEDIATE - the parameter can be changed with ALTER SYSTEM DEFERRED - the parameter cannot be changed until the next session FALSE - the parameter cannot be changed with ALTER SYSTEM |
| ISMODIFIED | VARCHAR2 (8) | Indicates how the parameter was modified. If an ALTER SYSTEM was performed, the value will be MODIFIED. |
| ISADJUSTED | VARCHAR2 (5) | Indicates that the rdbms adjusted the input value to a more suitable value (for example, the parameter value should be prime, but the user input a non-prime number, so the rdbms adjusted the value to the next prime number) |

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|----------------|------------------|--|
| DESCRIPTION | VARCHAR2 (64) | A descriptive comment about the parameter |
| ORDINAL | NUMBER | Shows the position, or ordinal number, of each value in a list of string values. Useful only for parameters whose values are lists of strings. |
| UPDATE_COMMENT | VARCHAR2 (255) | Comments associated with the most recent update |

V\$TABLESPACE

This view displays tablespace information from the control file.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|--|
| TS# | NUMBER | Tablespace number |
| NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | Tablespace name |
| INCLUDED_IN_DATABASE_BACKUP | VARCHAR2(3) | (YES/NO) Indicates whether or not this tablespace is included in full database backups (using <code>BACKUP DATABASE</code> statement). NO only if <code>CONFIGURE EXCLUDE</code> statement was used for this tablespace. |

V\$TEMP_CACHE_TRANSFER

`V$TEMP_CACHE_TRANSFER` displays the number of blocks pinged per datafile. This information in turn can be used to determine access patterns to existing datafiles and deciding new mappings from datafile blocks to PCM locks.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-----------------------|----------|--|
| FILE_NUMBER | NUMBER | Number of the datafile |
| X_2_NULL | NUMBER | Number of lock conversions from Exclusive-to-NULL for all blocks in the file |
| X_2_NULL_FORCED_WRITE | NUMBER | Number of forced writes that occur for blocks of the specified file due to Exclusive-to-NULL conversions |
| X_2_NULL_FORCED_STALE | NUMBER | Number of times a block in the file was made STALE due to Exclusive-to-NULL conversions |
| X_2_S | NUMBER | Number of lock conversions from Exclusive-to-Shared for all blocks in the file |
| X_2_S_FORCED_WRITE | NUMBER | Number of forced writes that occur for blocks of the specified file due to Exclusive-to-Shared conversions |
| S_2_NULL | NUMBER | Number of lock conversions from Shared-to-NULL for all blocks in the file |
| S_2_NULL_FORCED_STALE | NUMBER | Number of times a block in the file was made STALE due to Shared-to-NULL conversions |

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|------------------|----------|---|
| RBR | NUMBER | Number of times the instance received a reuse block range cross instance call for this file |
| RBR_FORCED_WRITE | NUMBER | Number of blocks written due to reuse block range cross instance calls for this file |
| NULL_2_X | NUMBER | Number of lock conversions from NULL-to-Exclusive for all blocks of the specified file |
| S_2_X | NUMBER | Number of lock conversions from Shared-to-Exclusive for all blocks of the specified file |
| NULL_2_S | NUMBER | Number of lock conversions from NULL-to-Shared for all blocks of the specified file |

V\$TEMP_EXTENT_MAP

This view displays the status of each unit for all temporary tablespaces.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-----------------|----------|---|
| TABLESPACE_NAME | NUMBER | Name of tablespace this unit belongs to |
| FILE_ID | NUMBER | Absolute file number |
| BLOCK_ID | NUMBER | Begin block number for this unit |
| BYTES | NUMBER | Bytes in extent |
| BLOCKS | NUMBER | Blocks in extent |
| OWNER | NUMBER | Which instance own this unit (string) |
| RELATIVE_FNO | NUMBER | The relative file number |

V\$TEMP_EXTENT_POOL

This view displays the state of temporary space cached and used for a given instance. Note that loading of the temporary space cache is lazy, and that instances can be dormant. Use GV\$TEMP_EXTENT_POOL for information about all instances.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-----------------|--------------|--|
| TABLESPACE_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | Name of the tablespace |
| FILE_ID | NUMBER | Absolute file number |
| EXTENTS_CACHED | NUMBER | How many extents have been cached |
| EXTENTS_USED | NUMBER | How many extents are actually being used |

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|---------------|----------|----------------------------|
| BLOCKS_CACHED | NUMBER | How many blocks are cached |
| BLOCKS_USED | NUMBER | How many blocks are used |
| BYTES_CACHED | NUMBER | How many bytes are cached |
| BYTES_USED | NUMBER | How many bytes used |
| RELATIVE_FNO | NUMBER | The relative file number |

V\$TEMP_PING

V\$TEMP_PING displays the number of blocks pinged per datafile. This information in turn can be used to determine access patterns to existing datafiles and deciding new mappings from datafile blocks to PCM locks.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-----------------------|----------|--|
| FILE_NUMBER | NUMBER | Number of the datafile |
| FREQUENCY | NUMBER | The frequency |
| X_2_NULL | NUMBER | Number of lock conversions from Exclusive-to-NULL for all blocks in the file |
| X_2_NULL_FORCED_WRITE | NUMBER | Number of forced writes that occur for blocks of the specified file due to Exclusive-to-NULL conversions |
| X_2_NULL_FORCED_STALE | NUMBER | Number of times a block in the file was made STALE due to Exclusive-to-NULL conversions |
| X_2_S | NUMBER | Number of lock conversions from Exclusive-to-Shared for all blocks in the file |
| X_2_S_FORCED_WRITE | NUMBER | Number of forced writes that occur for blocks of the specified file due to Exclusive-to-Shared conversions |
| X_2_SX | NUMBER | Number of lock conversions from Exclusive-to-Sub Shared Exclusive for all blocks in the file |
| X_2_SX_FORCED_WRITE | NUMBER | Number of forced writes that occur for blocks of the specified file due to Exclusive-to-Sub Shared Exclusive conversions |
| S_2_NULL | NUMBER | Number of lock conversions from Shared-to-NULL for all blocks in the file |
| S_2_NULL_FORCED_STALE | NUMBER | Number of times a block in the file was made STALE due to Shared-to-NULL conversions |
| SS_2_NULL | NUMBER | Number of lock conversions from Sub Shared-to-NULL for all blocks in the file |
| WRB | NUMBER | Number of times the instance received a write single buffer cross instance call for this file |
| WRB_FORCED_WRITE | NUMBER | Number of blocks written due to write single buffer cross instance calls for this file |

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|------------------|----------|--|
| RBR | NUMBER | Number of times the instance received a reuse block range cross instance call for this file |
| RBR_FORCED_WRITE | NUMBER | Number of blocks written due to reuse block range cross instance calls for this file |
| RBR_FORCED_STALE | NUMBER | Number of times a block in this file was made STALE due to reuse block range cross instance calls |
| CBR | NUMBER | Number of times the instance received a checkpoint block range cross instance call for this file |
| CBR_FORCED_WRITE | NUMBER | Number of blocks in this file which were written due to checkpoint cross range cross instance calls |
| NULL_2_X | NUMBER | Number of lock conversions from NULL-to-Exclusive for all blocks of the specified file |
| S_2_X | NUMBER | Number of lock conversions from Shared-to-Exclusive for all blocks of the specified file |
| SSX_2_X | NUMBER | Number of lock conversions from Sub Shared Exclusive-to-Exclusive for all blocks of the specified file |
| NULL_2_S | NUMBER | Number of lock conversions from NULL-to-Shared for all blocks of the specified file |
| NULL_2_SS | NUMBER | Number of lock conversions from NULL-to-Sub Shared for all blocks of the specified file |
| OP_2_SS | NUMBER | Number of pcm locks ss locks opened. |

V\$TEMP_SPACE_HEADER

This view displays aggregate information per file per temporary tablespace regarding how much space is currently being used and how much is free as identified in the space header.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|---------------|-----------------|---------------------------------------|
| TABSPACE_NAME | VARCHAR2 (30) | The name of the temporary tablespace |
| FILE_ID | NUMBER | The absolute file number |
| BYTES_USED | NUMBER | How many bytes are in use |
| BLOCKS_USED | NUMBER | How many blocks are in use |
| BYTES_FREE | NUMBER | How many bytes are free |
| BLOCKS_FREE | NUMBER | How many blocks are free |
| RELATIVE_FNO | NUMBER | The relative file number for the file |

V\$TEMPFILE

This view displays tempfile information.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|------------------|------------------|---|
| FILE# | NUMBER | The absolute file number |
| CREATION_CHANGE# | NUMBER | The creation System Change Number (SCN) |
| CREATION_TIME | DATE | The creation time |
| TS# | NUMBER | The tablespace number |
| RFILE# | NUMBER | The relative file number in tablespace |
| STATUS | VARCHAR2 (7) | The status of the file (OFFLINE ONLINE) |
| ENABLED | VARCHAR2 (10) | Enabled for read and/or write |
| BYTES | NUMBER | The size of the file in bytes (from file header) |
| BLOCKS | NUMBER | The size of the file in blocks (from file header) |
| CREATE_BYTES | NUMBER | The creation size of the file (in bytes) |
| BLOCK_SIZE | NUMBER | The block size for the file |
| NAME | VARCHAR2 (513) | The name of the file |

V\$TEMPORARY_LOBS

This view displays temporary lob.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------------|----------|----------------------------|
| SID | NUMBER | Session ID |
| CACHE_LOBS | NUMBER | Number cache temp lob |
| NOCACHE_LOBS | NUMBER | Number of nocache temp lob |

V\$TEMPSTAT

This view contains information about file read/write statistics.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|---------|----------|---|
| FILE# | NUMBER | Number of the file |
| PHYRDS | NUMBER | Number of physical reads done |
| PHYWRTS | NUMBER | Number of times DBWR is required to write |

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-----------|----------|--|
| PHYBLKRD | NUMBER | Number of physical blocks read |
| PHYBLKWRT | NUMBER | Number of blocks written to disk; may be the same as PHYWRTS if all writes are single blocks |
| READTIM | NUMBER | Time (in hundredths of a second) spent doing reads if the TIMED_STATISTICS parameter is TRUE; 0 if FALSE |
| WRITETIM | NUMBER | Time (in hundredths of a second) spent doing writes if the TIMED_STATISTICS parameter is TRUE; 0 if FALSE |
| AVGIOTIM | NUMBER | The average time (in hundredths of a second) spent on I/O, if the TIMED_STATISTICS parameter is TRUE; 0 if FALSE |
| LSTIOTIM | NUMBER | The time (in hundredths of a second) spent doing the last I/O, if the TIMED_STATISTICS parameter is TRUE; 0 if FALSE |
| MINIOTIM | NUMBER | The minimum time (in hundredths of a second) spent on a single I/O, if the TIMED_STATISTICS parameter is TRUE; 0 if FALSE |
| MAXIOWTM | NUMBER | The maximum time (in hundredths of a second) spent doing a single write, if the TIMED_STATISTICS parameter is TRUE; 0 if FALSE |
| MAXIORTM | NUMBER | The maximum time (in hundredths of a second) spent doing a single read, if the TIMED_STATISTICS parameter is TRUE; 0 if FALSE |

V\$THREAD

This view contains thread information from the control file.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-----------------|----------|--|
| THREAD# | NUMBER | Thread number |
| STATUS | VARCHAR2 | Thread status (OPEN CLOSED) |
| ENABLED | VARCHAR2 | Enabled status: DISABLED, (enabled) PRIVATE, or (enabled) PUBLIC |
| ENABLE_CHANGE# | NUMBER | SCN at which thread was enabled |
| ENABLE_TIME | DATE | Time of enable SCN |
| DISABLE_CHANGE# | NUMBER | SCN at which thread was disabled |
| DISABLE_TIME | DATE | Time of disable SCN |
| GROUPS | NUMBER | Number of log groups assigned to this thread |
| INSTANCE | VARCHAR2 | Instance name, if available |
| OPEN_TIME | DATE | Last time the thread was opened |
| CURRENT_GROUP# | NUMBER | Current log group |
| SEQUENCE# | NUMBER | Sequence number of current log |

V\$TIMER

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------------------|----------|-------------------------|
| CHECKPOINT_CHANGE# | NUMBER | SCN at last checkpoint |
| CHECKPOINT_TIME | DATE | Time of last checkpoint |

V\$TIMER

This view lists the elapsed time in hundredths of seconds. Time is measured since the beginning of the epoch, which is operating system specific, and wraps around to 0 again whenever the value overflows four bytes (roughly 497 days).

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------|----------|--|
| HSECS | NUMBER | Elapsed time in hundredths of a second |

V\$TIMEZONE_NAMES

This view lists valid time zone names.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|----------|-----------------|--|
| TZNAME | VARCHAR2 (64) | The time zone region (for example, US/Pacific) |
| TZABBREV | VARCHAR2 (64) | The corresponding daylight abbreviation (for example, PDT) |

V\$TRANSACTION

This view lists the active transactions in the system.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|---------|-----------------|-------------------------------------|
| ADDR | RAW (4) | Address of transaction state object |
| XIDUSN | NUMBER | Undo segment number |
| XIDSLOT | NUMBER | Slot number |
| XIDSQN | NUMBER | Sequence number |
| UBAFIL | NUMBER | Undo block address (UBA) filenum |
| UBABLK | NUMBER | UBA block number |
| UBASQN | NUMBER | UBA sequence number |
| UBAREC | NUMBER | UBA record number |
| STATUS | VARCHAR2 (16) | Status |

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------------|------------------|---|
| START_TIME | VARCHAR2 (20) | Start time (wall clock) |
| START_SCNB | NUMBER | Start system change number (SCN) base |
| START_SCNW | NUMBER | Start SCN wrap |
| START_UEXT | NUMBER | Start extent number |
| START_UBAFIL | NUMBER | Start UBA file number |
| START_UBABLK | NUMBER | Start UBA block number |
| START_UBASQN | NUMBER | Start UBA sequence number |
| START_UBAREC | NUMBER | Start UBA record number |
| SES_ADDR | RAW (4) | User session object address |
| FLAG | NUMBER | Flag |
| SPACE | VARCHAR2 (3) | YES if a space transaction |
| RECURSIVE | VARCHAR2 (3) | YES if a recursive transaction |
| NOUNDO | VARCHAR2 (3) | YES if a no undo transaction |
| PTX | VARCHAR 2 (3) | YES if parallel transaction |
| NAME | VARCHAR2 (256) | Name of a named transaction |
| PRV_XIDUSN | NUMBER | Previous transaction undo segment number |
| PRV_XIDSLT | NUMBER | Previous transaction slot number |
| PRV_XIDSQN | NUMBER | Previous transaction sequence number |
| PTX_XIDUSN | NUMBER | Rollback segment number of the parent XID |
| PTX_XIDSLT | NUMBER | Slot number of the parent XID |
| PTX_XIDSQN | NUMBER | Sequence number of the parent XID |
| DSCN-B | NUMBER | Dependent SCN base |
| DSCN-W | NUMBER | Dependent SCN wrap |
| USED_UBLK | NUMBER | Number of undo blocks used |
| USED_UREC | NUMBER | Number of undo records used |
| LOG_IO | NUMBER | Logical I/O |
| PHY_IO | NUMBER | Physical I/O |
| CR_GET | NUMBER | Consistent gets |
| CR_CHANGE | NUMBER | Consistent changes |

V\$TRANSACTION_ENQUEUE

V\$TRANSACTION_ENQUEUE displays locks owned by transaction state objects.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|---------|----------------|--|
| ADDR | RAW (4) | Address of lock state object |
| KADDR | RAW (4) | Address of lock |
| SID | NUMBER | Identifier for session holding or acquiring the lock |
| TYPE | VARCHAR2 (2) | Type of lock. TX indicates transaction enqueue. |
| ID1 | NUMBER | Lock identifier #1 (depends on type) |
| ID2 | NUMBER | Lock identifier #2 (depends on type) |
| LMODE | NUMBER | Lock mode in which the session holds the lock: <ul style="list-style-type: none">0 - none1 - null (NULL)2 - row-S (SS)3 - row-X (SX)4 - share (S)5 - S/Row-X (SSX)6 - exclusive (X) |
| REQUEST | NUMBER | Lock mode in which the process requests the lock: <ul style="list-style-type: none">0 - none1 - null (NULL)2 - row-S (SS)3 - row-X (SX)4 - share (S)5 - S/Row-X (SSX)6 - exclusive (X) |
| CTIME | NUMBER | Time since current mode was granted |
| BLOCK | NUMBER | The lock is blocking another lock |

V\$TYPE_SIZE

This view lists the sizes of various database components for use in estimating data block capacity.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-------------|----------|--|
| COMPONENT | VARCHAR2 | Component name, such as segment or buffer header |
| TYPE | VARCHAR2 | Component type |
| DESCRIPTION | VARCHAR2 | Description of component |
| TYPE_SIZE | NUMBER | Size of component |

V\$UNDOSTAT

This view displays a histogram of statistical data to show how well the system is working. Each row in the view keeps statistics collected in the instance for a 10-minute interval. You can use this view to estimate the amount of undo space required for the current workload. The database uses this view to tune undo usage in the system. This view is available in both SMU (system managed undo) mode and RBU (rollback segment undo) mode.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|----------------|----------|--|
| BEGIN_TIME | DATE | Identifies the beginning of the time interval. |
| END_TIME | DATE | Identifies the end of the time interval. |
| UNDOTSN | NUMBER | Represents the last active undo tablespace in the duration of time. The tablespace ID of the active undo tablespace is returned in this column. If more than one undo tablespace was active in that period, the active undo tablespace that was active at the end of the period is reported. |
| UNDOBLKS | NUMBER | Represents the total number of undo blocks consumed. You can use this column to obtain the consumption rate of undo blocks, and thereby estimate the size of the undo tablespace needed to handle the workload on your system. |
| TXNCOUNT | NUMBER | Identifies the total number of transactions executed within the period. |
| MAXQUERYLEN | NUMBER | Identifies the length of the longest query (in number of seconds) executed in the instance during the period. You can use this statistic to estimate the proper setting of the <code>UNDO_RETENTION</code> parameter. |
| MAXCONCURRENCY | NUMBER | Identifies the highest number of transactions executed concurrently within the period. |
| UNXPSTEALCNT | NUMBER | The number of attempts to obtain undo space by stealing unexpired extents from other transactions. |
| UNXPBLKRELCNY | NUMBER | The number of unexpired blocks removed from certain undo segments so they can be used by other transactions. |
| UNXPBLKREUCNT | NUMBER | The number of unexpired undo blocks reused by transactions. |

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|---------------|----------|---|
| EXPSTEALCNT | NUMBER | The number of attempts to steal expired undo blocks from other undo segments. |
| EXPBLKRELCNT | NUMBER | The number of expired undo blocks stolen from other undo segments. |
| EXPBLKREUCNT | NUMBER | The number of expired undo blocks reused within the same undo segments. |
| SSOLDERRCNT | NUMBER | Identifies the number of OER errors occurring within a period. You can use this statistic to decide whether or not the UNDO_RETENTION parameter is set properly given the size of the undo tablespace. Lowering the UNDO_RETENTION value can reduce the occurrence of this error. |
| NOSPACEERRCNT | NUMBER | Identifies the number of OER errors reported in the current instance. If there is a nonzero value in this column, the current undo tablespace needs more space (in the UNDO_RETENTION parameter). |

V\$VERSION

Version numbers of core library components in the Oracle server. There is one row for each component.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------|----------|-----------------------------------|
| BANNER | VARCHAR2 | Component name and version number |

V\$VPD_POLICY

This view lists all the fine-grained security policies and predicates associated with the cursors currently in the library cache.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------------|--------------|--|
| ADDRESS | RAW (4) | The cursor address |
| PARADDR | RAW (4) | The parent cursor address |
| SQL_HASH | NUMBER | SQL hash number |
| CHILD_NUMBER | NUMBER | The cursor's child number under the parent |
| OBJECT_OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | Owner of the object with policy |
| OBJECT_NAME | VARCHAR2(30) | Name of the object with policy |
| POLICY_GROUP | VARCHAR2(30) | Name of the policy group |
| POLICY | VARCHAR2(30) | Name of the policy |

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|-------------------------------|----------------|---|
| POLICY_ FUNCTION_ OWNER | VARCHAR2(30) | Owner of the policy function |
| PREDICATE | VARCHAR2(4096) | Predicate for the policy, truncated to 4096 bytes in length |

V\$WAITSTAT

This view lists block contention statistics. This table is only updated when timed statistics are enabled.

| Column | Datatype | Description |
|--------|----------|---|
| CLASS | VARCHAR2 | Class of block |
| COUNT | NUMBER | Number of waits by this OPERATION for this CLASS of block |
| TIME | NUMBER | Sum of all wait times for all the waits by this OPERATION for this CLASS of block |

Database Limits

This chapter lists the limits of values associated with database functions and objects. Limits exist on several levels in the database. There is usually a hard-coded limit in the database that cannot be exceeded. This value may be further restricted for any given operating system.

Database limits are divided into four categories:

- [Datatype Limits](#)
- [Physical Database Limits](#)
- [Logical Database Limits](#)
- [Process and Runtime Limits](#)

See Also: Your operating system-specific Oracle documentation

Datatype Limits

See Also: For information on the rules and limitations governing the use of datatypes, naming database objects and parts of objects, see the *Oracle9i SQL Reference*

Physical Database Limits

| Item | Type of Limit | Limit Value |
|---------------------|---|--|
| Database Block Size | Minimum | 2048 bytes; must be a multiple of operating system physical block size |
| | Maximum | Operating system dependent; never more than 32 KB |
| Database Blocks | Minimum in initial extent of a segment. | 2 blocks |
| | Maximum per datafile | Platform dependent; typically $2^{22}-1$ blocks |
| Controlfiles | Number of control files | 1 minimum; 2 or more (on separate devices) strongly recommended |
| | Size of a control file | Dependent on operating system and database creation options; maximum of 20,000 x (database block size) |
| Database files | Maximum per tablespace | Operating system dependent; usually 1022 |
| | Maximum per database | 65533 May be less on some operating systems Limited also by size of database blocks and by the DB_FILES initialization parameter for a particular instance |
| Database extents | Maximum | 2 GB, regardless of the maximum file size allowed by the operating system |
| Database file size | Maximum | Operating system dependent. Limited by maximum operating system file size; typically 2^{22} or 4M blocks |
| MAXEXTENTS | Default value | Derived from tablespace default storage or DB_BLOCK_SIZE initialization parameter |
| | Maximum | Unlimited |

| Item | Type of Limit | Limit Value |
|--------------------|--------------------------------------|---|
| Redo Log Files | Maximum number of logfiles | Limited by value of LOG_FILES initialization parameter or MAXLOGFILES parameter in the CREATE DATABASE statement Control file can be resized to allow more entries; ultimately an operating system limit |
| | Maximum number of logfiles per group | Unlimited |
| Redo Log File Size | Minimum size | 50 KB |
| | Maximum size | Operating system limit; typically 2 GB |
| Tablespaces | Maximum number per database | 64 K Number of tablespaces cannot exceed the number of database files, as each tablespace must include at least one file |

Logical Database Limits

| Item | Type | Limit |
|-----------------|---|--|
| GROUP BY clause | Maximum length | The GROUP BY expression and all of the nondistinct aggregates functions (for example, SUM, AVG) must fit within a single database block. |
| Indexes | Maximum per table | Unlimited |
| | total size of indexed column | 75% of the database block size minus some overhead |
| Columns | Per table | 1000 columns maximum |
| | Per index (or clustered index) | 32 columns maximum |
| | Per bitmapped index | 30 columns maximum |
| Constraints | Maximum per column | Unlimited |
| Subqueries | Maximum levels of subqueries in a SQL statement | Unlimited in the FROM clause of the top-level query |
| | | 255 subqueries in the WHERE clause |

| Item | Type | Limit |
|-----------------------|---|---|
| Partitions | Maximum length of linear partitioning key | 4 KB - overhead |
| | Maximum number of columns in partition key | 16 columns |
| | Maximum number of partitions allowed per table or index | 64 K-1 partitions |
| Rollback Segments | Maximum number per database | No limit; limited within a session by the MAX_ROLLBACK_SEGMENTS initialization parameter |
| Rows | Maximum number per table | Unlimited |
| SQL Statement Length | Maximum length of statements | 64 K maximum; particular tools may impose lower limits |
| Stored Packages | Maximum size | PL/SQL and Developer/2000 may have limits on the size of stored procedures they can call. The limits typically range from 2000 to 3000 lines of code. See Also: Your PL/SQL or Developer/2000 documentation for details |
| Trigger Cascade Limit | Maximum value | Operating system-dependent, typically 32 |
| Users and Roles | Maximum | 2,147,483,638 |
| Tables | Maximum per clustered table | 32 tables |
| | Maximum per database | Unlimited |

Process and Runtime Limits

| Item | Type | Limit |
|----------------------------|---|---|
| Instances per database | Maximum number of cluster database instances per database | Operating system-dependent |
| Locks | Row-level | Unlimited |
| | Distributed Lock Manager | Operating system dependent |
| SGA size | Maximum value | Operating system-dependent; typically 2 to 4 GB for 32-bit operating systems, and > 4 GB for 64-bit operating systems |
| Advanced Queuing Processes | Maximum per instance | 10 |

| Item | Type | Limit |
|---------------------------|---|--|
| Job Queue Processes | Maximum per instance | 1000 |
| I/O Slave Processes | Maximum per background process (DBWR, LGWR, etc.) | 15 |
| | Maximum per Backup session | 15 |
| Sessions | Maximum per instance | 32 K; limited by the PROCESSES and SESSIONS initialization parameters |
| LCK Processes | Maximum per instance | 10 |
| Shared Servers | Maximum per instance | Unlimited within constraints set by the PROCESSES and SESSIONS initialization parameters, for instance |
| Dispatchers | Maximum per instance | Unlimited within constraints set by PROCESSES and SESSIONS initialization parameters, for instance |
| Parallel Execution Slaves | Maximum per instance | Unlimited within constraints set by PROCESSES and SESSIONS initialization parameters, for instance |
| Backup Sessions | Maximum per instance | Unlimited within constraints set by PROCESSES and SESSIONS initialization parameters, for instance |

SQL Scripts

This chapter describes the SQL scripts that are required for optimal operation of Oracle.

The SQL scripts are described in the following sections:

- [Creating the Data Dictionary](#)
- [Creating Additional Data Dictionary Structures](#)
- [The "NO" Scripts](#)
- [Migration Scripts](#)

Note: Comments within the SQL scripts themselves contain more detailed information and examples.

Creating the Data Dictionary

Oracle automatically creates the data dictionary when you create a database. Thereafter, whenever the database is in operation, Oracle updates the data dictionary in response to every DDL statement.

The data dictionary base tables are the first objects created in any Oracle database. They are created in the `SYSTEM` tablespace and must remain there. The data dictionary base tables store information about all user-defined objects in the database.

[Table 5–1](#) lists required scripts, which are run automatically when you create a database. They are described here because you might need to run them again when migrating or upgrading to a new release of Oracle. To run these scripts, you must be connected to Oracle as user `SYS`.

See Also:

- Your release notes and *Oracle9i Database Migration* to learn when it is necessary to run these scripts
- Your operating system-specific Oracle documentation for the exact names and locations of these scripts on your operating system
- *Oracle9i Database Administrator's Guide* for more information about scripts with names starting with `DBMS`

Table 5–1 *Creating the Data Dictionary Scripts*

| Script Name | Needed For | Description |
|-------------|---------------|--|
| catalog.sql | All databases | Creates the data dictionary and public synonyms for many of its views Grants <code>PUBLIC</code> access to the synonyms |
| catproc.sql | All databases | Runs all scripts required for or used with PL/SQL |

Creating Additional Data Dictionary Structures

Oracle supplies other scripts that create additional structures you can use in managing your database and creating database applications. These scripts are listed in [Table 5–2](#).

See Also: Your operating system-specific Oracle documentation for the exact names and locations of these scripts on your operating system

Table 5–2 *Creating Additional Data Dictionary Structures*

| Script Name | Needed For | Run By | Description |
|--------------|------------------------------------|---|--|
| catblock.sql | Performance management | SYS | Creates views that can dynamically display lock dependency graphs |
| catclust.sql | Oracle9i Real Application Clusters | SYS or SYSDBA | Creates Oracle9i Real Application Clusters data dictionary views |
| catexp7.sql | Exporting data to Oracle7 | SYS | Creates the dictionary views needed for the Oracle7 Export utility to export data from Oracle9i in Oracle7 Export file format |
| cathss.sql | Heterogeneous Services | SYS | Installs packages for administering heterogeneous services |
| catio.sql | Performance management | SYS | Allows I/O to be traced on a table-by-table basis |
| catoctk.sql | Security | SYS | Creates the Oracle Cryptographic Toolkit package |
| catqueue.sql | Advanced Queuing | | Creates the dictionary objects required for Advanced Queuing |
| catrep.sql | Oracle Replication | SYS | Runs all SQL scripts for enabling database replication |
| catrman.sql | Recovery Manager | RMAN or any user with GRANT_RECOVERY_CATALOG_OWNERS | Creates recovery manager tables and views (schema) to establish an external recovery catalog for the backup, restore, and recovery functionality provided by the Recovery Manager (RMAN) utility |
| dbmsiotc.sql | Storage management | Any user | Analyzes chained rows in index-organized tables |
| dbmsotrc.sql | Performance management | SYS or SYSDBA | Enables and disables generation of Oracle Trace output |

Table 5–2 (Cont.) Creating Additional Data Dictionary Structures

| Script Name | Needed For | Run By | Description |
|------------------------------------|------------------------|---------------|--|
| dbmspool.sql | Performance management | SYS or SYSDBA | Enables DBA to lock PL/SQL packages, SQL statements, and triggers into the shared pool |
| userlock.sql | Concurrency control | SYS or SYSDBA | Provides a facility for user-named locks that can be used in a local or clustered environment to aid in sequencing application actions |
| utlbstat.sql and utleststat.sql | Performance monitoring | SYS | Respectively start and stop collecting performance tuning statistics |
| utlchnl.sql | Storage management | Any user | For use with Oracle9i. Creates tables for storing the output of the ANALYZE command with the CHAINED ROWS option. Can handle both physical and logical rowids. |
| utlconst.sql | Year 2000 compliance | Any user | Provides functions to validate that CHECK constraints on date columns are year 2000 compliant |
| utldtree.sql | Metadata management | Any user | Creates tables and views that show dependencies between objects |
| utlexpt1.sql | Constraints | Any user | For use with Oracle9i. Creates the default table (EXCEPTIONS) for storing exceptions from enabling constraints. Can handle both physical and logical rowids. |
| utlip.sql | PL/SQL | SYS | Used primarily for migration, upgrade, and downgrade operations. It invalidates all existing PL/SQL modules by altering certain dictionary tables so that subsequent recompilations will occur in the format required by the database. It also reloads the packages STANDARD and DBMS_STANDARD, which are necessary for any PL/SQL compilations. |

Table 5–2 (Cont.) Creating Additional Data Dictionary Structures

| Script Name | Needed For | Run By | Description |
|--------------|------------------------|-------------------------------|---|
| utlirp.sql | PL/SQL | SYS | Used to change from 32-bit to 64-bit word size or vice versa. This script recompiles existing PL/SQL modules in the format required by the new database. It first alters some data dictionary tables. Then it reloads the packages STANDARD and DBMS_STANDARD, which are necessary for using PL/SQL. Finally, it triggers a recompilation of all PL/SQL modules, such as packages, procedures, and types. |
| utllockt.sql | Performance monitoring | SYS or SYSDBA | Displays a lock wait-for graph, in tree structure format |
| utlpwdmg.sql | Security | SYS or SYSDBA | Creates PL/SQL functions for default password complexity verification. Sets the default password profile parameters and enables password management features. |
| utlrp.sql | PL/SQL | SYS | Recompiles all existing PL/SQL modules that were previously in an INVALID state, such as packages, procedures, and types. |
| utlsampl.sql | Examples | SYS or any user with DBA role | Creates sample tables, such as emp and dept, and users, such as scott |
| utlscln.sql | Oracle Replication | Any user | Copies a snapshot schema from another snapshot site |
| utltkprf.sql | Performance management | SYS | Creates the TKPROF role to allow the TKPROF profiling utility to be run by non-DBA users |
| utlvalid.sql | Partitioned tables | Any user | Creates tables required for storing output of ANALYZE TABLE ... VALIDATE STRUCTURE of a partitioned table |
| utlxplan.sql | Performance management | Any user | Creates the table PLAN_TABLE, which holds output from the EXPLAIN PLAN statement |

The "NO" Scripts

The scripts in [Table 5–3](#) are used to remove dictionary information for various optional services or components.

See Also: *Oracle9i Database Migration* for more information about these scripts

Table 5–3 *The NO Scripts*

| Script Name | Needed For | Run By | Description |
|--------------|------------------------|---------------------------|---|
| catnoadt.sql | Objects | SYS | Drops views and synonyms on dictionary metadata that relate to object types |
| catnoaud.sql | Security | SYS | Drops views and synonyms on auditing metadata |
| catnohs.sql | Heterogeneous Services | SYS | Removes Heterogeneous Services dictionary metadata |
| catnoprt.sql | Partitioning | SYS | Drops views and synonyms on dictionary metadata that relate to partitioned tables and indexes |
| catnoque.sql | Advanced Queuing | SYS | Removes Advanced Queuing dictionary metadata |
| catnormn.sql | Recovery Manager | Owner of recovery catalog | Removes recovery catalog schema |
| catnosvm.sql | Server Manager | SYS | Removes Oracle7 Server Manager views and synonyms |
| catnsnmp.sql | Distributed management | SYS | Drops the DBSNMP user and SNMPAGENT role |

Migration Scripts

The scripts in [Table 5–4](#) are useful when migrating, upgrading, or downgrading to another release of Oracle.

See Also: *Oracle9i Database Migration* for more information about these scripts

Table 5–4 *Migration Scripts*

| Script Name | Needed For | Run By | Description |
|--------------|---|-------------------------------|---|
| d0801050.sql | Downgrading to release 8.1.5 of Oracle | A user with SYSDBA privileges | Provides a direct downgrade path from your current release of Oracle to release 8.1.5 |
| d0801060.sql | Downgrading to release 8.1.6 of Oracle | A user with SYSDBA privileges | Provides a direct downgrade path from your current release of Oracle to release 8.1.6 |
| d0801070.sql | Downgrading to release 8.1.7 of Oracle | A user with SYSDBA privileges | Provides a direct downgrade path from your current release of Oracle to release 8.1.7 |
| u0703040.sql | Migration from Oracle7 | A user with SYSDBA privileges | Additional upgrade script to be run during the migration of an Oracle7 database to the new release |
| u0800060.sql | Upgrading from release 8.0.6 of Oracle | A user with SYSDBA privileges | Provides a direct upgrade path from release 8.0.6 of Oracle to the new release |
| u0801050.sql | Upgrading from release 8.1.5 of Oracle | A user with SYSDBA privileges | Provides a direct upgrade path from release 8.1.5 of Oracle to the new release |
| u0801060.sql | Upgrading from release 8.1.6 of Oracle | A user with SYSDBA privileges | Provides a direct upgrade path from release 8.1.6 of Oracle to the new release |
| u0801070.sql | Upgrading from release 8.1.7 of Oracle | A user with SYSDBA privileges | Provides a direct upgrade path from release 8.1.7 of Oracle to the new release |
| utlincmp.sql | Removing incompatibilities before a downgrade | A user with SYSDBA privileges | Contains a set of queries that identify database objects that are incompatible with previous releases of Oracle |

Java Scripts

The scripts in [Table 5–5](#) are useful only if the JServer option is installed.

See Also: *Oracle9i Java Developer's Guide*

Table 5–5 *Java Scripts*

| Script Name | Description |
|--------------------------|---|
| <code>initjvm.sql</code> | Initializes the JServer by installing the core Java class libraries and Oracle-specific Java classes into the Oracle server, and initializing Java-related packages and settings. |
| <code>rmjvm.sql</code> | Removes all elements of the JServer |

Oracle Wait Events

This appendix describes the event name, wait time, and parameters for wait events displayed by the `V$SESSION_WAIT` and `V$SYSTEM_EVENT` views.

Topics covered include:

- [Displaying Wait Events](#)
- [Wait Events and Parameters](#)
- [Parameter Descriptions](#)
- [Wait Event Descriptions](#)

Displaying Wait Events

Information about wait events is displayed in three dynamic performance views:

- `V$SESSION_WAIT` displays the events for which sessions have just completed waiting or are currently waiting.
- `V$SYSTEM_EVENT` displays the total number of times all the sessions have waited for the events in that view.
- `V$SESSION_EVENT` is similar to `V$SYSTEM_EVENT`, but displays all waits for each session.

See Also: ["V\\$SESSION_EVENT"](#) on page 3-113, ["V\\$SESSION_WAIT"](#) on page 3-116, and ["V\\$SYSTEM_EVENT"](#) on page 3-137

Many of these wait events are tied to the internal implementation of Oracle and therefore are subject to change or deletion without notice. Application developers should be aware of this and write their code to tolerate missing or extra wait events.

This appendix describes the event name, wait time, and parameters for each event.

The following SQL statement displays all Oracle events:

```
SELECT * FROM V$EVENT_NAME;
```

Wait Events and Parameters

The following wait events are present in the Oracle server. The columns P1, P2, and P3 represent parameters for the wait event. Selected parameters and wait events are further described in the sections that follow.

| Event Name | P1 | P2 | P3 |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------|----------|----------|
| alter system set mts_dispatcher | waited | not used | not used |
| batched allocate scn lock request | not used | not used | not used |
| BFILE check if exists | | | |
| BFILE check if open | | | |
| BFILE closure | | | |
| BFILE get length | | | |
| BFILE get name object | | | |
| BFILE get path object | | | |

| Event Name | P1 | P2 | P3 |
|--|-------------|---------------|---------------|
| BFILE internal seek | | | |
| BFILE open | | | |
| BFILE read | | | |
| buffer being modified waits | | | |
| buffer busy due to global cache | file# | block# | id |
| buffer busy waits | file# | block# | id |
| buffer deadlock | dba | class*10+mode | flag |
| buffer for checkpoint | buffer# | dba | state*10+mode |
| buffer latch | latch addr | chain# | not used |
| buffer read retry | file# | block# | not used |
| checkpoint completed | not used | not used | not used |
| checkpoint range buffer not saved | not used | not used | not used |
| Contacting SCN server or SCN lock master | | | |
| control file parallel write | files | blocks | requests |
| control file sequential read | file# | block# | blocks |
| control file single write | file# | block# | blocks |
| conversion file read | file# | block# | blocks |
| db file parallel read | files | blocks | requests |
| db file parallel write | files | blocks | requests |
| db file scattered read | file# | block# | blocks |
| db file sequential read | file# | block# | blocks |
| db file single write | file# | block# | blocks |
| debugger command | not used | not used | not used |
| DFS db file lock | file# | not used | not used |
| DFS lock handle | type mode | id1 | id2 |
| direct path write | file number | first dba | block cnt |
| dispatcher shutdown | | | |
| dispatcher timer | sleep time | not used | not used |
| DLM generic wait event | | | |
| dupl. cluster key | dba | not used | not used |

| Event Name | P1 | P2 | P3 |
|--|---------------|-----------|----------|
| enqueue | name mode | id1 | id2 |
| file identify | fib | file name | opcode |
| file open | fib | iov | 0 |
| free buffer waits | file# | block# | set-id# |
| free global transaction table entry | tries | not used | not used |
| free process state object | not used | not used | not used |
| global cache bg acks | | | |
| global cache cr request | | | |
| global cache freelist wait | lenum | not used | not used |
| global cache lock busy | file# | block# | lenum |
| global cache lock cleanup | file# | block# | lenum |
| global cache lock null to s | file# | block# | lenum |
| global cache lock null to x | file# | block# | lenum |
| global cache lock open null | file# | block# | class |
| global cache lock open s | file# | block# | lenum |
| global cache lock open x | file# | block# | lenum |
| global cache lock s to x | file# | block# | lenum |
| global cache multiple locks | | | |
| global cache pending ast | | | |
| imm op | msg ptr | not used | not used |
| inactive session | session# | waited | not used |
| inactive transaction branch | branch# | waited | not used |
| index block split | rootdba | level | childdb |
| instance recovery | undo segment# | not used | not used |
| instance state change | layer | value | waited |
| IO clients wait for LMON to join GMS group | | | |
| io done | msg ptr | not used | not used |
| kcl bg acks | count | loops | not used |
| kdi: Done Message Dequeue-Coord | | | |

| Event Name | P1 | P2 | P3 |
|--|----------------|------------------------|--------------------------|
| ktpr: Done Message Dequeue-Coord | | | |
| latch activity | address | number | process# |
| latch free | address | number | tries |
| library cache load lock | object address | lock address | 10*mask+ namespace |
| library cache lock | handle address | lock address | 10*mode+ namespace |
| library cache pin | handle address | pin address | 10*mode+ namespace |
| LMON wait for LMD to inherit communication channels | | | |
| local write wait | | | |
| lock manager wait for dlmd to shutdown | | | |
| lock manager wait for remote message | waittime | not used | not used |
| log buffer space | not used | not used | not used |
| log file parallel write | files | blocks | requests |
| log file sequential read | log# | block# | blocks |
| log file single write | log# | block# | blocks |
| log file switch (archiving needed) | not used | not used | not used |
| log file switch (checkpoint incomplete) | not used | not used | not used |
| log file switch (clearing log file) | not used | not used | not used |
| log file switch completion | not used | not used | not used |
| log file sync | buffer# | not used | not used |
| log switch/archive | thread# | not used | not used |
| name-service call wait | | | |
| Null event | | | |
| on-going SCN fetch to complete | not used | not used | not used |
| PAR RECOV: Dequeue msg-Slave | | | |
| PAR RECOV: Wait for reply-Query Coord | | | |
| parallel execution create server | nservers | sleeptime | enqueue |
| parallel execution dequeue wait | reason | sleeptime/senderid | passes |

| Event Name | P1 | P2 | P3 |
|--|---------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| Parallel Execution Idle Wait-Slaves wait event | | | |
| parallel execution qref latch | function | sleeptime | qref |
| parallel execution server shutdown | nalive | sleeptime | loop |
| parallel execution signal server | serial | error | nbusy |
| pending global transaction(s) | scans | not used | not used |
| pipe get | handle address | buffer length | timeout |
| pipe put | handle address | record length | timeout |
| PL/SQL lock timer | duration | not used | not used |
| pmon rdomain attach | | | |
| pmon timer | duration | not used | not used |
| process startup | type | process# | waited |
| queue messages | queue id | process# | wait time |
| rdbms ipc message | timeout | not used | not used |
| rdbms ipc message block | not used | not used | not used |
| rdbms ipc reply | from_process | timeout | not used |
| redo wait | not used | not used | not used |
| refresh controlfile command | | | |
| reliable message | | | |
| Replication Dequeue | | | |
| retry contact SCN lock master | | | |
| row cache lock | cache id | mode | request |
| scginq AST call | not used | not used | not used |
| secondary event | | | |
| single-task message | not used | not used | not used |
| slave exit | nalive | sleeptime | loop |
| slave wait | | | |
| smon timer | sleep time | failed | not used |
| sort segment request | | | |
| SQL*Net break/reset to client | driver id | break? | not used |

| Event Name | P1 | P2 | P3 |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------|----------|-----------|
| SQL*Net break/reset to dblink | driver id | break? | not used |
| SQL*Net message from client | driver id | #bytes | not used |
| SQL*Net message from dblink | driver id | #bytes | not used |
| SQL*Net message to client | driver id | #bytes | not used |
| SQL*Net message to dblink | driver id | #bytes | not used |
| SQL*Net more data from client | driver id | #bytes | not used |
| SQL*Net more data from dblink | driver id | #bytes | not used |
| SQL*Net more data to client | driver id | #bytes | not used |
| SQL*Net more data to dblink | driver id | #bytes | not used |
| switch logfile command | not used | not used | not used |
| Test if message present | | | |
| timer in sksawat | not used | not used | not used |
| trace continue | | | |
| trace unfreeze | | | |
| trace writer flush | | | |
| trace writer I/O | | | |
| transaction | undo seg# slot# | wrap# | count |
| unbound tx | not used | not used | not used |
| undo segment extension | segment# | not used | not used |
| undo segment recovery | segment# | tx flags | not used |
| undo segment tx slot | segment# | not used | not used |
| virtual circuit status | circuit# | status | not used |
| Wait for a parallel reco to abort | | | |
| Wait for a undo record | | | |
| wait for checking DLM domain | | | |
| Wait for credit-free buffer | | | |
| Wait for credit-need buffer to send | | | |
| Wait for credit-send blocked | | | |
| wait for DLM | | | |
| wait for DLM latch | latchtype | gets | immediate |

| Event Name | P1 | P2 | P3 |
|---|-----------|-----------|----------|
| wait for DLM process allocation | | | |
| wait for DLM reconfiguration to complete | | | |
| wait for gms de-registration | | | |
| wait for gms registration | | | |
| wait for influx DLM latch | latchtype | latchaddr | not used |
| wait for lmd and pmon to attach DLM | | | |
| wait for lock db to become frozen | | | |
| wait for lock db to unfreeze | | | |
| wait for ownership of group-owned lock | | | |
| wait for pmon to exit | | | |
| wait for reconfiguration to start | | | |
| wait for recovery domain attach | | | |
| wait for recovery domain latch in kjpr | | | |
| wait for recovery validate to complete | | | |
| wait for register recovery to complete | | | |
| wait for send buffers to send DLM message | | | |
| Wait for slaves to ACK-Query Coord | | | |
| Wait for slaves to join-Query Coord | | | |
| Wait for stopper event to be increased | | | |
| wait for tickets to send DLM message | | | |
| wait to run in thread run | | | |
| waiting in scheduler enter | | | |
| waiting in scheduler enter2 | | | |
| waiting in scheduler shutdown | | | |
| waiting in scheduler system stop | | | |
| waiting in thread check | | | |
| waiting in thread check2 | | | |
| waiting in thread end wait | | | |
| waiting in thread run (queued) | | | |
| WMON goes to sleep | not used | not used | not used |

| Event Name | P1 | P2 | P3 |
|--|-----------------------|------------------------|----------|
| write complete waits | file# | block# | id |
| writes stopped by instance recovery or database suspension | by thread # | our thread# | not used |

Parameter Descriptions

block#

This is the block number of the block for which Oracle needs to wait. The block number is relative to the start of the file. To find the object to which this block belongs, enter the following SQL statements:

```
select name, kind
from ext_to_obj_view
where file# = file#
       and lowb  <= block#
       and highb >= block#;
```

blocks

The number of blocks that is being either read from or written to the file. The block size is dependent on the file type:

- Database files have a block size of DB_BLOCK_SIZE
- Logfiles and controlfiles have a block size that is equivalent to the physical block size of the platform

break?

If the value for this parameter equals 0, a reset was sent to the client. A non-zero value indicates that a break was sent to the client.

class

The class of the block describes how the contents of the block are used. For example, class 1 represents data block, and class 4 represents segment header.

dba

The initials "dba" represents the data block address, which consists of a file number and a block number.

driver id

The address of the disconnect function of the driver that is currently being used.

file#

The following query returns the name of the database file:

```
select *
from v$datafile
where file# = file#;
```

id1

The first identifier (*id1*) of the enqueue or global lock takes its value from P2 or P2RAW. The meaning of the identifier depends on the name (P1).

id2

The second identifier (*id2*) of the enqueue or global lock takes its value from P3 or P3RAW. The meaning of the identifier depends on the name (P1).

lenum

The relative index number into V\$LOCK_ELEMENT.

mode

The *mode* is usually stored in the low order bytes of P1 or P1RAW and indicates the mode of the enqueue or global lock request. This parameter has one of the following values:

Table A-1 Lock Mode Values

| Mode Value | Description |
|------------|---------------------|
| 1 | Null mode |
| 2 | Sub-Share |
| 3 | Sub-Exclusive |
| 4 | Share |
| 5 | Share/Sub-Exclusive |
| 6 | Exclusive |

Use the following SQL statement to retrieve the name of the lock and the mode of the lock request:

```
select chr(bitand(p1,-16777216)/16777215)||
       chr(bitand(p1, 16711680)/65535) "Lock",
       bitand(p1, 65536) "Mode"
from v$session_wait
where event = 'DFS enqueue lock acquisition';
```

name and type

The name or "type" of the enqueue or global lock can be determined by looking at the two high order bytes of P1 or P1RAW. The name is always two characters. Use the following SQL statement to retrieve the lock name.

```
select chr(bitand(p1,-16777216)/16777215)||
       chr(bitand(p1,16711680)/65535) "Lock"
from v$session_wait
where event = 'DFS enqueue lock acquisition';
```

namespace

The name of the object namespace as it is displayed in V\$DB_OBJECT_CACHE view.

requests

The number of I/Os that are "requested." This differs from the number of blocks in that one request could potentially contain multiple blocks.

session#

The number of the inactive session. Use the following SQL statement to find more information about the session:

```
select *
from v$session
where sid = session#;
```

waited

This is the total amount of time the session has waited for this session to terminate.

Wait Event Descriptions

This section describes some of the more common Oracle events in more detail.

alter system set mts_dispatchers

A session has issued a statement `ALTER SYSTEM SET MTS_DISPATCHERS = string` and is waiting for the dispatchers to get started.

Wait Time: The session will wait 1/100 of a second and check to see if the new dispatchers have started else the session will wait again

Parameters:

waited The number of times that the session has waited 1/100 of second

batched allocate scn lock request

A session is waiting on another process to allocate a system change number (SCN). If the foreground timed out waiting on a process to get the SCN, the foreground will get the SCN.

Wait Time: The wait time is 1 second on the assumption that an SCN allocation should normally need much less than that

Parameters: None

BFILE check if exists

The session waits to check if an external large object (LOB) exists.

Wait Time: The total elapsed time for the **exists** call

Parameters:

session# See "[session#](#)" on page A-11

waited See "[waited](#)" on page A-11

BFILE check if open

The session waits to check if an external large object (LOB) has already been opened.

Wait Time: The total elapsed time for the **isopen** call

Parameters:

session# See "[session#](#)" on page A-11

waited See "[waited](#)" on page A-11

BFILE closure

The session waits for an external large object (LOB) to close.

Wait Time: The total elapsed time for the **close** call

Parameters:

session# See "[session#](#)" on page A-11

waited See "[waited](#)" on page A-11

BFILE get length

The session waits on a call to check the size of an external large object (LOB).

Wait Time: The total elapsed time for the call to check the LOB size

Parameters:

session# See "[session#](#)" on page A-11

waited See "[waited](#)" on page A-11

BFILE get name object

The session waits on a call to find or generate the external name of a external large object.

Wait Time: The total elapse time for **make external file name** to complete

Parameters:

session# See "[session#](#)" on page A-11

waited See "[waited](#)" on page A-11

BFILE get path object

The session is waiting on a call to find or generate the external path name of an external large object (LOB).

Wait Time: The total elapsed time for **make external path** to complete

Parameters:

session# See "[session#](#)" on page A-11

waited See "[waited](#)" on page A-11

BFILE internal seek

The session waits for a positioning call within the external large object (LOB) to complete.

Wait Time: The total elapse time for the **seek** to complete

Parameters:

session# See "[session#](#)" on page A-11

waited See "[waited](#)" on page A-11

BFILE open

The session waits to check if an external large object (LOB) has already been opened.

Wait Time: The total elapsed time for the **isopen** call

Parameters:

session# See "[session#](#)" on page A-11

waited See "[waited](#)" on page A-11

BFILE read

The session waits for a read from a external large object (LOB) to complete.

Wait Time: The total elapse time for the **read** to complete

Parameters:

session# See "[session#](#)" on page A-11

waited See "[waited](#)" on page A-11

buffer busy waits

Wait until a buffer becomes available. This event happens because a buffer is either being read into the buffer cache by another session (and the session is waiting for that read to complete) or the buffer is the buffer cache, but in a incompatible mode (that is, some other session is changing the buffer).

Wait Time: Normal wait time is 1 second. If the session was waiting for a buffer during the last wait, then the next wait will be 3 seconds.

Parameters:

| | |
|---------------|---|
| <i>file#</i> | See " file# " on page A-10 |
| <i>block#</i> | See " block# " on page A-9 |
| <i>id</i> | The buffer busy wait event is called from different places in the session |

buffer deadlock

Oracle does not really wait on this event; the foreground only yields the CPU. Thus, the chances of catching this event are very low. This is not an application induced deadlock, but an assumed deadlock by the cache layer. The cache layer cannot get a buffer in a certain mode within a certain amount of time.

Wait Time: 0 seconds. The foreground process only yields the CPU and will usually be placed at the end of the CPU run queue.

Parameters:

| | |
|--------------|---|
| <i>class</i> | See " class " on page A-9 |
| <i>mode</i> | See " mode " on page A-10 |
| <i>flag</i> | The flag points to the internal flags used by the session to get this block |
| <i>dba</i> | See " dba " on page A-9 |

buffer for checkpoint

The buffer could not be checkpointed, because some process is modifying it. This means that after the wait, the DBWR will scan the whole buffer cache again. This could happen during a database close or after a user does a local checkpoint. During this situation the database cannot be closed.

Wait Time: 1 second

Parameters:

| | |
|----------------|--|
| <i>dba</i> | See " dba " on page A-9 |
| <i>state</i> | State refers to the status of the buffer contents |
| <i>mode</i> | See " mode " on page A-10 |
| <i>buffer#</i> | This is the index of the block in the buffer cache (V\$BH) |

buffer latch

The session waits on the buffer hash chain latch. Primarily used in the dump routines.

Wait Time: 1 second

Parameters:

latch addr The virtual address in the SGA where this latch is located. Use the following statement to find the name of this latch:

```
select *  
from v$latch a, v$latchname b  
where addr = latch addr  
and a.latch# = b.latch#;
```

chain# The index into array of buffer hash chains. When the chain is 0xffffffff, the foreground waits on the LRU latch.

buffer read retry

This event occurs only if the instance is mounted in shared mode (Oracle Real Application Cluster). During the read of the buffer, the contents changed. This means that either:

- The version number, dba, or the incarnation and sequence number stored in the block no longer match
- The checksum on the block does not match the checksum in the block

The block will be re-read (this may fail up to 3 times), then corruption is assumed and the corrupt block is dumped in the trace file.

Wait Time: The wait time is the elapsed time of the read

Parameters:

file# See "file#" on page A-10

block# See "block#" on page A-9

checkpoint completed

A session waits for a checkpoint to complete. This could happen, for example, during a close database or a local checkpoint.

Wait Time: 5 seconds

Parameters: None

checkpoint range buffer not saved

During a range checkpoint operation a buffer was found that was not saved or written. Either:

- The session will wait on this event if the write batch is empty and it is the first time that the session waited on this event in the range checkpoint operation
- The current range checkpoint operation will be aborted and a new one will be started to complete the operation

Wait Time: 10 milliseconds

Parameters: None

control file parallel write

This event occurs while the session is writing physical blocks to all control files. This happens when:

- The session starts a control file transaction (to make sure that the control files are up to date in case the session crashes before committing the control file transaction)
- The session commits a transaction to a control file
- Changing a generic entry in the control file, the new value is being written to all control files

Wait Time: The wait time is the time it takes to finish all writes to all control files

Parameters:

| | |
|-----------------|--|
| <i>files</i> | The number of control files to which the session is writing |
| <i>blocks</i> | The number of blocks that the session is writing to the control file |
| <i>requests</i> | The number of I/O requests which the session wants to write |

control file sequential read

Reading from the control file. This happens in many cases. For example, while:

- Making a backup of the controlfiles
- Sharing information (between instances) from the controlfile
- Reading other blocks from the controlfiles
- Reading the header block

Wait Time: The wait time is the elapsed time of the read

Parameters:

| | |
|---------------|--|
| <i>file#</i> | The controlfile from which the session is reading |
| <i>block#</i> | Block number in the controlfile from where the session starts to read. The block size is the physical block size of the port (usually 512 bytes, some UNIX ports have 1 or 2 Kilobytes). |
| <i>blocks</i> | The number of blocks that the session is trying to read |

control file single write

This wait is signaled while the control file's shared information is written to disk. This is an atomic operation protected by an enqueue (CF), so that only one session at a time can write to the entire database.

Wait Time: The wait time is the elapsed time of the write

Parameters:

| | |
|---------------|---|
| <i>file#</i> | This identifies the control file to which the session is currently writing |
| <i>block#</i> | Block number in the control file where the write begins. The block size is the as the physical block size of the port (usually 512 bytes, some UNIX ports have 1 or 2 Kilobytes). |
| <i>blocks</i> | The number of blocks that the session is trying to read |

conversion file read

This event occurs during a the creation of a Version 7 controlfile as part of converting a database to Version 7 from Version 6.

Wait Time: The wait time is the elapsed time of the read

Parameters:

| | |
|---------------|---|
| <i>file#</i> | The control file to which the session is currently writing |
| <i>block#</i> | Block number in the control file where the write begins. The block size is the as the physical block size of the port (usually 512 bytes, some UNIX ports have 1 or 2 Kilobytes). |
| <i>blocks</i> | The number of blocks that the session is trying to read |

db file parallel read

This happens during recovery. Database blocks that need to be changed as part of recovery are read in parallel from the database.

Wait Time: Wait until all of the I/Os are completed

Parameters:

| | |
|-----------------|---|
| <i>files</i> | This indicates the number of files to which the session is reading |
| <i>blocks</i> | This indicates the total number of blocks to be read |
| <i>requests</i> | This indicates the total number of I/O requests, which will be the same as blocks |

db file parallel write

This event occurs in the DBWR. It indicates that the DBWR is performing a parallel write to files and blocks. The parameter *requests* indicates the real number of I/Os that are being performed. When the last I/O has gone to disk, the wait ends.

Wait Time: Wait until all of the I/Os are completed

Parameters:

| | |
|---------------|--|
| <i>files</i> | This indicates the number of files to which the session is writing |
| <i>blocks</i> | This indicates the total number of blocks to be written |

requests This indicates the total number of I/O requests, which will be the same as blocks

db file scattered read

Similar to **db file sequential read**, except that the session is reading multiple data blocks.

Wait Time: The wait time is the actual time it takes to do all of the I/Os

Parameters:

file# See "[file#](#)" on page A-10
block# See "[block#](#)" on page A-10
blocks The number of blocks that the session is trying to read from the *file#* starting at *block#*

db file sequential read

The session waits while a sequential read from the database is performed. This event is also used for rebuilding the control file, dumping datafile headers, and getting the database file headers.

Wait Time: The wait time is the actual time it takes to do the I/O

Parameters:

file# See "[file#](#)" on page A-10
block# See "[block#](#)" on page A-10
blocks This is the number of blocks that the session is trying to read (should be 1)

db file single write

This event is used to wait for the writing of the file headers.

Wait Time: The wait time is the actual time it takes to do the I/O

Parameters:

file# See "[file#](#)" on page A-10

| | |
|---------------|--|
| <i>block#</i> | See " block# " on page A-10 |
| <i>blocks</i> | This is the number of blocks that the session is trying to write in <i>file#</i> starting at <i>block#</i> |

DFS db file lock

This event occurs only for the DBWR in the Oracle Real Application Cluster. Each DBWR of every instance holds a global lock on each file in shared mode. The instance that is trying to offline the file will escalate the global lock from shared to exclusive. This signals the other instances to synchronize their SGAs with the controlfile before the file can be taken offline. The name of this lock is **DF** (see [Appendix B, "Oracle Enqueue Names"](#) for more information).

Wait Time: 1 second in loop. The DBWR is waiting in a loop (sleep, check) for the other instances to downgrade to NULL mode. During this time, the DBWR cannot perform other tasks such as writing buffers.

Parameter:

| | |
|-------------|--|
| <i>file</i> | See " file# " on page A-10 |
|-------------|--|

DFS lock handle

The session waits for the lock handle of a global lock request. The lock handle identifies a global lock. With this lock handle, other operations can be performed on this global lock (to identify the global lock in future operations such as conversions or release). The global lock is maintained by the DLM.

Wait Time: The session waits in a loop until it has obtained the lock handle from the DLM. Inside the loop there is a wait of 0.5 seconds.

Parameters:

| | |
|-------------|--|
| <i>name</i> | See " name and type " on page A-11 |
| <i>mode</i> | See " mode " on page A-10 |
| <i>id1</i> | See " id1 " on page A-10 |
| <i>id2</i> | See " id2 " on page A-10 |

The session needs to get the lock handle.

direct path read

During Direct Path operations the data is asynchronously read from the database files. At some stage the session needs to make sure that all outstanding asynchronous I/O have been completed to disk. This can also happen if during a direct read no more slots are available to store outstanding load requests (a load request could consist of multiple I/Os).

Wait Time: 10 seconds. The session will be posted by the completing asynchronous I/O. It will never wait the entire 10 seconds. The session waits in a tight loop until all outstanding I/Os have completed.

Parameters:

| | |
|---------------------------|---|
| <i>descriptor address</i> | This is a pointer to the I/O context of outstanding direct I/Os on which the session is currently waiting |
| <i>first dba</i> | The dba of the oldest I/O in the context referenced by the descriptor address |
| <i>block cnt</i> | Number of valid buffers in the context referenced by the descriptor address |

direct path write

During Direct Path operations, the data is asynchronously written to the database files. At some stage the session needs to make sure that all outstanding asynchronous I/O have been completed to disk. This can also happen if, during a direct write, no more slots are available to store outstanding load requests (a load request could consist of multiple I/Os).

Wait Time: 10 seconds. The session will be posted by the completing asynchronous I/O. It will never wait the entire 10 seconds. The session waits in a tight loop until all outstanding I/Os have completed.

Parameters:

| | |
|---------------------------|---|
| <i>descriptor address</i> | This is a pointer to the I/O context of outstanding direct I/Os on which the session is currently waiting |
| <i>first dba</i> | The dba of the oldest I/O in the context referenced by the descriptor address |
| <i>block cnt</i> | Number of valid buffers in the context referenced by the descriptor address |

dispatcher shutdown

During shutdown immediate or normal, the shutdown process must wait for all the dispatchers to shutdown. As each dispatcher is signaled, the session that causes the shutdown is waits on this event until the requested dispatcher is no longer alive.

Wait Time: 1 second

Parameter:

waited Indicates the cumulative wait time. After 5 minutes, the session writes to the alert and trace files to indicate that there might be a problem.

dispatcher timer

This basically means that the dispatcher is idle and waiting for some work to arrive.

Wait Time: 60 seconds

Parameter:

sleep time The intended sleep time. The dispatcher will return to work sooner if it is posted by either data arriving on the network or by a post from a shared server process to send data back to the client.

duplicate cluster key

It is possible for a race condition to occur when creating a new cluster key. If it is found that another process has put the cluster key into the data/index block, then the session waits and retries. The retry should then find a valid cluster key.

Wait Time: 0.01 seconds

Parameter:

dba The dba of the block into which the session is trying to insert a cluster key

enqueue

The session is waiting for a local enqueue. The wait is dependent on the name of the enqueue (see [Appendix B, "Oracle Enqueue Names"](#)).

Wait Time: Depends on the enqueue name

Parameters:

name See ["name and type"](#) on page A-11

mode See ["mode"](#) on page A-10

file identify

The time it takes to identify a file so that it can be opened later.

file open

The time it takes to open the file.

free buffer waits

This will happen if:

- All buffer gets have been suspended. This could happen when a file was read-only and is now read-write. All the existing buffers need to be invalidated since they are not linked to lock elements (needed when mounted parallel (shared)). So cache buffers are not assigned to data block addresses until the invalidation is finished.
- The session moved some dirty buffers to the dirty queue and now this dirty queue is full. The dirty queue needs to be written first. The session will wait on this event and try again to find a free buffer
- This also happens after inspecting **free buffer inspected** buffers. If no free buffer is found, Oracle waits for one second, and then tries to get the buffer again (depends on the context). For more information, see [free buffer inspected](#) on page C-7.

Wait Time: 1 second

Parameters:

file# See ["file#"](#) on page A-10

block# See ["block#"](#) on page A-9

free global transaction table entry

The session is waiting for a free slot in the global transaction table (used by the Distributed Database option). It will wait for 1 second and try again.

Wait Time: 1 second

Parameter:

tries The number of times the session tried to find a free slot in the global transaction table

free process state object

Used during the creation of a process. The session will scan the process table and look for a free process slot. If none can be found, PMON is posted to check if all the processes currently in the process table are still alive. If there are dead processes, PMON will clean them and make the process slot available to new processes. The waiting process will then rescan the process table to find the new slot.

Wait Time: 1 second

Parameters: None

global cache freelist wait

All releasable locks are used and a new one has been requested. To make a lock element available, a lock element is pinged.

Wait Time: The duration of the lock get operation to ping the lock element

Parameter:

lenum See "lenum" on page A-8

global cache lock busy

The session waits to convert a buffer up from Shared Current to Exclusive Current status.

Wait Time: 1 second

Parameters:

file# See "[file#](#)" on page A-10

block# See "[block#](#)" on page A-10

lenum See "lenum" on page A-8

global cache lock cleanup

PMON is waiting for an LCK process to cleanup the lock context after a foreground process died while doing a global cache lock operation.

Wait Time: 1 second

Parameters:

| | |
|---------------|---|
| <i>file#</i> | See " file# " on page A-10 |
| <i>block#</i> | See " block# " on page A-10 |
| <i>lenum</i> | See " lenum " on page A-8 |

global cache lock null to s

The session waits for a lock convert from NULL to SHARED mode on the block identified by file# and block#.

Wait Time: 1 second

Parameters:

| | |
|---------------|---|
| <i>file#</i> | See " file# " on page A-10 |
| <i>block#</i> | See " block# " on page A-10 |
| <i>class</i> | See " class " on page A-9 |

global cache lock null to x

The session waits for a lock convert from NULL to EXCLUSIVE mode on the block identified by file# and block#.

Wait Time: 1 second

Parameters:

| | |
|---------------|---|
| <i>file#</i> | See " file# " on page A-10 |
| <i>block#</i> | See " block# " on page A-10 |
| <i>lenum</i> | See " lenum " on page A-10 |

global cache lock open null

The session waits for a lock get in `NULL` mode on the block identified by `file#` and `block#`.

Wait Time: 1 second

Parameters:

| | |
|---------------|---|
| <i>file#</i> | See " file# " on page A-10 |
| <i>block#</i> | See " block# " on page A-10 |
| <i>class</i> | See " class " on page A-10 |

global cache lock open s

The session waits for a lock get in `SHARED` mode on the block identified by `file#` and `block#`.

Wait Time: 1 second

Parameters:

| | |
|---------------|---|
| <i>file#</i> | See " file# " on page A-10 |
| <i>block#</i> | See " block# " on page A-10 |
| <i>class</i> | See " class " on page A-10 |

global cache lock open x

The session waits for a lock get in `EXCLUSIVE` mode on the block identified by `file#` and `block#`.

Wait Time: 1 second

Parameters:

| | |
|---------------|---|
| <i>file#</i> | See " file# " on page A-10 |
| <i>block#</i> | See " block# " on page A-10 |
| <i>lenum</i> | See " lenum " on page A-10 |

global cache lock s to x

The session waits for a lock convert from `SHARED` to `EXCLUSIVE` mode on the block identified by `file#` and `block#`.

Wait Time: 1 second

Parameters:

| | |
|---------------|---|
| <i>file#</i> | See " file# " on page A-10 |
| <i>block#</i> | See " block# " on page A-10 |
| <i>lenum</i> | See " lenum " on page A-10 |

inactive session

This event is used for two purposes:

- Switching sessions

If a time-out period has been specified, then wait that amount of time for the session to be detached.

- Killing sessions

From either `KILL SESSION` or internal request. Having posted a session that it should kill itself, wait for up to 1 minute for the session to terminate.

Wait Time: 1 second

Parameters:

| | |
|-----------------|---|
| <i>session#</i> | See " session# " on page A-11 |
| <i>waited</i> | See " waited " on page A-11 |

inactive transaction branch

The session waits for a transaction branch that is currently used by another session.

Wait Time: 1 second

Parameters:

| | |
|----------------|---|
| <i>branch#</i> | The serial number of the transaction for which the session is waiting |
|----------------|---|

waited See "[waited](#)" on page A-11

index block split

While trying to find an index key in an index block, Oracle noticed that the index block was being split. Oracle will wait for the split to finish and try to find the key again.

Wait Time: The session will yield the CPU, so there is no actual waiting time

Parameters:

| | |
|----------------|---|
| <i>rootdba</i> | The root of the index |
| <i>level</i> | This is the level of the block that the session is trying to split in the index. The leaf blocks are level 0. If the level is > 0, it is a branch block. (The root block can be considered a special branch block). |
| <i>childdb</i> | The block that the session is trying to split |

instance recovery

The session waits for SMON to finish the instance, transaction recovery, or sort segment cleanup.

Wait Time: The wait time can vary and depends on the amount of recovery needed

Parameter:

| | |
|-----------------|--|
| <i>undo</i> | If the value is 0, SMON is probably performing instance recovery. |
| <i>segment#</i> | If P1 > 0, use this query to find the undo segment: <pre>select * from v\$rollstat where usn = undo segment#;</pre> |

instance state change

The session waits for SMON to enable or disable cache or transaction recovery. This usually happens during ALTER DATABASE OPEN or CLOSE.

Wait Time: Wait time depends on the amount of time the action takes (that is, the amount of recovery needed)

Parameters:

| | |
|---------------|---|
| <i>layer</i> | This value can be 1 or 2. If 1, it means that the transaction layer wants transaction recovery to be performed. If 2, it means that cache recovery will be performed. |
| <i>value</i> | This value can be 0 (disable) or 1 (enable) |
| <i>waited</i> | The number of seconds waited so far |

io done

The session waits for an I/O to complete or it waits for a slave process to become available to submit the I/O request. This event occurs on platforms that do not support asynchronous I/O.

Wait Time: 50 milliseconds

Parameter:

| | |
|----------------|------------------------------|
| <i>msg ptr</i> | A pointer to the I/O request |
|----------------|------------------------------|

kcl bg acks

The session waits for the background LCK process(es) to finish what they are doing. For example:

- Lock recovery
- Initializing the locks (start up)
- Finalizing the locks (shut down)

Wait Time: 10 seconds

Parameters:

| | |
|--------------|---|
| <i>count</i> | The number of LCK processes that have finished |
| <i>loops</i> | The number times the process had to wait for the LCK processes to finish what they were doing |

latch activity

This event is used as part of the process of determining whether a latch needs to be cleaned.

Wait Time: 0.05 to 0.1 seconds

Parameters:

| | |
|-----------------|--|
| <i>address</i> | The address of the latch that is being checked |
| <i>number</i> | The latch number of the latch that has activity. To find more information on the latch, use the following SQL statement: <pre>select * from v\$latchname where latch# = number;</pre> |
| <i>process#</i> | If this is 0, it is the first phase of the in-flux tests |

latch free

The process waits for a latch that is currently busy (held by another process).

Wait Time: The wait time increases exponentially and does not include spinning on the latch (active waiting). The maximum wait time also depends on the number of latches that the process is holding. There is an incremental wait of up to 2 seconds.

Parameters:

| | |
|----------------|---|
| <i>address</i> | The address of the latch for which the process is waiting |
| <i>number</i> | The latch number that indexes in the V\$LATCHNAME view. To find more information on the latch, use the following SQL statement: <pre>select * from v\$latchname where latch# = number;</pre> |
| <i>tries</i> | A count of the number of times the process tried to get the latch (slow with spinning) and the process has to sleep |

library cache load lock

The session tries to find the load lock for the database object so that it can load the object. The load lock is always obtained in Exclusive mode, so that no other process can load the same object. If the load lock is busy the session will wait on this event until the lock becomes available.

Wait Time: 3 seconds (1 second for PMON)

Parameters:

| | |
|-----------------------|---|
| <i>object address</i> | Address of the object being loaded |
| <i>lock address</i> | Address of load lock being used |
| <i>mask</i> | Indicates which data pieces of the object that needs to be loaded |

library cache lock

This event controls the concurrency between clients of the library cache. It acquires a lock on the object handle so that either:

- One client can prevent other clients from accessing the same object
- The client can maintain a dependency for a long time (for example, no other client can change the object)

This lock is also obtained to locate an object in the library cache.

Wait Time: 3 seconds (1 second for PMON)

Parameters:

| | |
|-----------------------|---|
| <i>handle address</i> | Address of the object being loaded |
| <i>lock address</i> | Address of the load lock being used. This is not the same thing as a latch or an enqueue, it is a State Object. |
| <i>mode</i> | Indicates the data pieces of the object which need to be loaded |
| <i>namespace</i> | See " namespace " on page A-11 |

library cache pin

This event manages library cache concurrency. Pinning an object causes the heaps to be loaded into memory. If a client wants to modify or examine the object, the client must acquire a pin after the lock.

Wait Time: 3 seconds (1 second for PMON)

Parameters:

| | |
|-----------------------|------------------------------------|
| <i>handle address</i> | Address of the object being loaded |
|-----------------------|------------------------------------|

| | |
|--------------------|---|
| <i>pin address</i> | Address of the load lock being used. This is not the same thing as a latch or an enqueue, it is basically a State Object. |
| <i>mode</i> | Indicates which data pieces of the object that needs to be loaded |
| <i>namespace</i> | See " namespace " on page A-11 |

lock manager wait for remote message

The lock manager waits for a message from a remote lock manager in the same configuration.

Wait Time: The elapsed time of the wait

Parameter:

| | |
|-----------------|-------------------------------------|
| <i>waittime</i> | The elapsed time of the actual wait |
|-----------------|-------------------------------------|

log buffer space

Waiting for space in the log buffer because the session is writing data into the log buffer faster than LGWR can write it out. Consider making the log buffer bigger if it is small, or moving the log files to faster disks such as striped disks.

Wait Time: Usually 1 second, but 5 seconds if it is waiting for a Switch Logfile to complete

Parameters: None

log file parallel write

Writing redo records to the redo log files from the log buffer.

Wait Time: Time it takes for the I/Os to complete. Even though redo records are written in parallel, the parallel write is not complete until the last I/O is on disk.

Parameters:

| | |
|-----------------|--------------------------------|
| <i>files</i> | Number of files to be written |
| <i>blocks</i> | Number of blocks to be written |
| <i>requests</i> | Number of I/O requests |

log file sequential read

Waiting for the read from this logfile to return. This is used to read redo records from the log file.

Wait Time: Time it takes to complete the physical I/O (read)

Parameters:

| | |
|---------------|---|
| <i>log#</i> | The relative sequence number of the logfiles within a log group (used only when dumping the logfiles) |
| <i>block#</i> | See " block# " on page A-9 |
| <i>blocks</i> | The number of blocks to read |

log file single write

Waiting for the write to this logfile to complete. This event is used while updating the header of the logfile. It is signaled when adding a log file member and when incrementing sequence numbers.

Wait Time: Time it takes for the physical I/O (write) to complete

Parameters:

| | |
|---------------|---|
| <i>log#</i> | This is the number of the group/log to which the session is currently writing |
| <i>block#</i> | See " block# " on page A-9 |
| <i>blocks</i> | The number of blocks to write |

log file switch (archiving needed)

Waiting for a log switch because the log that the LGWR will be switching into has not been archived yet. Check the alert file to make sure that archiving has not stopped due to a failed archive write. To speed archiving, consider adding more archive processes or putting the archive files on striped disks.

Wait Time: 1 second

Parameters: None

log file switch (checkpoint incomplete)

Waiting for a log switch because the session cannot wrap into the next log. Wrapping cannot be performed because the checkpoint for that log has not completed.

Wait Time: 1 second

Parameters: None

log file switch (clearing log file)

Waiting for a log switch because the log is being cleared due to a `CLEAR LOGFILE` command or implicit clear logfile executed by recovery.

Wait Time: 1 second

Parameters: None

log file switch completion

Waiting for a log switch to complete.

Wait Time: 1 second

Parameters: None

log file sync

When a user session commits, the session's redo information needs to be flushed to the redo logfile. The user session will post the LGWR to write the log buffer to the redo log file. When the LGWR has finished writing, it will post the user session.

Wait Time: The wait time includes the writing of the log buffer and the post.

Parameter:

| | |
|----------------|--|
| <i>buffer#</i> | The number of the physical buffer in the redo log buffer that needs to be synchronized |
|----------------|--|

log switch/archive

Used as part of the `ALTER SYSTEM ARCHIVE LOG CHANGE scn` statement. The session waits for the current log from all open threads to be archived.

Wait Time: Wait for up to 10 seconds

Parameter:

thread# The thread number of the thread that is currently archiving its current log

on-going SCN fetch to complete

Another session is fetching the SCN (system change number). This session waits for the other session finish fetching the SCN.

Wait Time: 1 second

Parameters: None

parallel execution create server

Used when creating or starting a parallel execution slave.

Wait Time: The time it takes to start all of the requested parallel execution slaves

Parameters:

nservers The number of parallel execution slaves that are being started

sleeptime Time it takes to get the processes started. The process should be started within *sleeptime*

enqueue The number of blocks to read

parallel execution dequeue wait

The process is waiting for a message during a parallel execute.

Wait Time: The wait time depends on how quickly the message arrives. Wait times can vary, but it will normally be a short period of time.

Parameters:

reason The reason for dequeuing

sleeptime The amount of time that the session slept

loop The total number of times that the session has slept

parallel execution qref latch

Each parallel execution process has a parallel execution qref latch, which needs to be acquired before the queue buffers can be manipulated.

Wait Time: Wait up to 1 second

Parameters:

| | |
|------------------|---|
| <i>function</i> | Indicates the type of wait that the session is doing |
| <i>sleeptime</i> | The amount of time that the session waits (in hundredths of a second) |
| <i>qref</i> | The address of the process queue for which the session is waits |

parallel execution server shutdown

During normal or immediate shutdown the parallel execution slaves are posted to shutdown cleanly. If any parallel execution slaves are still alive after 10 seconds, they are killed.

Wait Time: Wait up to 0.5 seconds

Parameters:

| | |
|------------------|---|
| <i>nalive</i> | The number of parallel execution slaves that are still running |
| <i>sleeptime</i> | The total sleeptime since the session started to wait on this event |
| <i>loop</i> | The number of times the session waited for this event |

parallel execution signal server

This event occurs only in Exclusive mode. The query coordinator is signalling the Query Slaves that an error has occurred.

Wait Time: 0.5 seconds

Parameters:

| | |
|---------------|---|
| <i>serial</i> | The serial number of the slave process queue |
| <i>error</i> | The error that has occurred |
| <i>nbusy</i> | The number of slave processes that are still busy |

pending global transaction(s)

This event should happen only during testing. The session waits for pending transactions to clear.

Wait Time: 30 seconds

Parameter:

| | |
|--------------|--|
| <i>scans</i> | Number of times the session has scanned the <code>PENDING_TRANS\$</code> table |
|--------------|--|

pipe get

The session waits for a message to be received on the pipe or for the pipe timer to expire.

Wait Time: There is a 5 second wake up (check) and the pipe timer set by the user

Parameters:

| | |
|-----------------------|---|
| <i>handle address</i> | The library cache object handle for this pipe |
| <i>buffer length</i> | The length of the buffer |
| <i>timeout</i> | The pipe timer set by the user |

pipe put

The session waits for the pipe send timer to expire or for space to be made available in the pipe.

Wait Time: There is the 5 second wakeup (check) and the user-supplied timeout value

Parameters:

| | |
|-----------------------|--|
| <i>handle address</i> | The library cache object handle for this pipe |
| <i>record length</i> | The length of the record or buffer that has been put into the pipe |
| <i>timeout</i> | The pipe timer set by the user |

PL/SQL lock timer

This event is called through the `DBMSLOCK.SLEEP` procedure or `USERLOCK.SLEEP` procedure. This event will most likely originate from procedures written by a user.

Wait Time: The wait time is in hundredths of seconds and is dependent on the user context

Parameter:

| | |
|-----------------|---|
| <i>duration</i> | The duration that the user specified in the <code>DBMS_LOCK.SLEEP</code> or <code>USER_LOCK.SLEEP</code> procedures |
|-----------------|---|

pmon rdomain attach

This is the main wait event for PMON. When PMON is idle, it is waiting on this event.

pmon timer

This is the main wait event for PMON. When PMON is idle, it is waiting on this event.

Wait Time: Up to 3 seconds, if not posted before

Parameter:

| | |
|-----------------|--|
| <i>duration</i> | The actual amount of time that the PMON is trying to sleep |
|-----------------|--|

process startup

Wait for a Multi-Threaded Server (shared server), Dispatcher, or other background process to start.

Wait Time: Wait up to 1 second for a background process to start. If timed out, then re-wait until 5 minutes have passed and signal an error. If the process has started, the event will acknowledge this.

Parameters:

| | |
|-----------------|---|
| <i>type</i> | The process type that was started |
| <i>process#</i> | The process number of the process being started |
| <i>waited</i> | Cumulative time waited for the process to start |

queue messages

The session is waiting on an empty OLTP queue (Advanced Queuing) for a message to arrive so that the session can dequeue that message.

Wait Time: The amount of time that the session wants to wait is determined by the parameter *wait time*

Parameters:

| | |
|------------------|--|
| <i>queue id</i> | The ID of the OLTP queue for which this session is waiting |
| <i>process#</i> | The process number of the process in which this session runs |
| <i>wait time</i> | The intended wait time for this session |

rdbms ipc message

The background processes (LGWR, DBWR, LCK0) use this event to indicate that they are idle and are waiting for the foreground processes to send them an IPC message to do some work.

Wait Time: Up to 3 seconds. The parameter *timeout* shows the true sleep time.

Parameter:

| | |
|----------------|--|
| <i>timeout</i> | The amount of time that the session waits for an IPC message |
|----------------|--|

rdbms ipc message block

This event indicates that all message blocks are in use and that the session had to wait for a message block to become available.

Wait Time: Wait up to 60 seconds

Parameters: None

rdbms ipc reply

This event is used to wait for a reply from one of the background processes.

Wait Time: The wait time is specified by the user and is indicated by the parameter *timeout*.

Parameters:

| | |
|---------------------|---|
| <i>from_process</i> | The background process for which the session is waiting. The wait is for a reply to an IPC message sent by the session. |
| <i>timeout</i> | The amount of time in seconds that this process will wait for a reply |

redo wait

Defined but not used by the code.

row cache lock

The session is trying to get a data dictionary lock.

Wait Time: Wait up to 60 seconds.

Parameters:

| | |
|-----------------|---|
| <i>cache id</i> | The CACHE# column value in the V\$ROWCACHE view |
| <i>mode</i> | See " mode " on page A-10 |
| <i>request</i> | The pipe timer set by the user |

scginq AST call

Called by the session to find the highest lock mode that is held on a resource.

Wait Time: Wait up to 0.2 seconds, but the wait will continue until the NULL mode Acquisition AST has fired.

Parameters: None

single-task message

When running single task, this event indicates that the session waits for the client side of the executable.

Wait Time: Total elapsed time that this session spent in the user application

Parameters: None

smon timer

This is the main idle event for SMON. SMON will be waiting on this event most of the time until it times out or is posted by another process.

Wait Time: 5 minutes (300 seconds)

Parameters:

| | |
|------------------|---|
| <i>sleeptime</i> | The amount of time that SMON tries to wait on this event in seconds |
| <i>failed</i> | The number of times SMON was posted when there some kind of error |

SQL*Net break/reset to client

The server sends a break or reset message to the client. The session running on the server waits for a reply from the client.

Wait Time: The actual time it takes for the break or reset message to return from the client

Parameters:

| | |
|------------------|--|
| <i>driver id</i> | See " driver id " on page A-10 |
| <i>break?</i> | See " break? " on page A-9 |

SQL*Net break/reset to dblink

Same as **SQL*Net break/reset to client**, but in this case, the break/reset message is sent to another server process over a database link.

Wait Time: The actual time it takes for the break or reset message to return from the other server process

Parameters:

| | |
|------------------|--|
| <i>driver id</i> | See " driver id " on page A-10 |
| <i>break?</i> | See " break? " on page A-9 |

SQL*Net message from client

The server process (foreground process) waits for a message from the client process to arrive.

Wait Time: The time it took for a message to arrive from the client since the last message was sent to the client

Parameters:

driver id See "[driver id](#)" on page A-10

#bytes The number of bytes received by the server (foreground process) from the client.

SQL*Net message from dblink

The session waits while the server process (foreground process) receives messages over a database link from another server process.

Wait Time: The time it took for a message to arrive from another server (foreground process) since a message was sent to the other foreground process.

Parameters:

driver id See "[driver id](#)" on page A-10

#bytes The number of bytes received by the server (foreground process) from another foreground process over a database link.

SQL*Net message to client

The server (foreground process) is sending a message to the client.

Wait Time: The actual time the **send** takes

Parameters:

driver id See "[driver id](#)" on page A-10

#bytes The number of bytes sent by the server process to the client

SQL*Net message to dblink

The server process (foreground process) is sending a message over a database link to another server process.

Wait Time: The actual time the **send** takes

Parameters:

driver id See "[driver id](#)" on page A-10

#bytes The number of bytes sent by the server process to another server process over a database link

SQL*Net more data from client

The server is performing another send to the client. The previous operation was also a send to the client.

Wait Time: The time waited depends on the time it took to receive the data (including the waiting time)

Parameters:

driver id See "[driver id](#)" on page A-10

#bytes The number of bytes received from the client

SQL*Net more data from dblink

The foreground process is expecting more data from a data base link.

Wait Time: The total time it takes to read the data from the database link (including the waiting time for the data to arrive)

Parameters:

driver id See "[driver id](#)" on page A-10

#bytes The number of bytes received

SQL*Net more data to client

The server process is sending more data/messages to the client. The previous operation to the client was also a **send**.

Wait Time: The actual time it took for the **send** to complete

Parameters:

driver id See "[driver id](#)" on page A-10

#bytes The number of bytes that are being sent to the client

SQL*Net more data to dblink

The event indicates that the server is sending data over a database link again. The previous operation over this database link was also a **send**.

Wait Time: The actual time it takes to send the data to the other server

Parameters:

driver id See "[driver id](#)" on page A-10

#bytes The number of bytes that are sent over the database link to the other server process

switch logfile command

The session waits on the user command `SWITCH LOGFILE` to complete.

Wait Time: 5 seconds

Parameters: None

timer in sksawat

The session waits for the Archiver (ARCH) asynchronous I/O to complete.

Wait Time: 0.01 seconds

Parameters: None

transaction

Wait for a blocking transaction to be rolled back. Continue waiting until the transaction has been rolled back.

Wait Time: 1 second

Parameters:

undo seg# The rollback segment ID

slot# The slot ID inside the rollback segment

wrap# The sequence number that is incremented for each transaction

count The number of times that the session has waited on this transaction

unbound tx

The session waits to see if there are any transactions that have been started but do not have a Rollback Segment associated with them.

Wait Time: 1 second

Parameters: None

undo segment extension

The undo segment is being extended or shrunk. The session must wait until the operation on the undo segment has finished.

Wait Time: 0.01 seconds

Parameter:

segment# The ID of the rollback segment that is being extended or shrunk

undo segment recovery

PMON is rolling back a dead transaction. The wait continues until rollback finishes.

Wait Time: 3 seconds

Parameters:

segment# The ID of the rollback segment that contains the transaction that is being rolled back

tx flags The transaction flags (options) set for the transaction that is being rolled back

undo segment tx slot

Wait for a transaction slot to become available within the selected rollback segment. Continue waiting until the slot is available.

Wait Time: 1 second

Parameters:

segment# The ID of the rollback segment that contains the transaction that is being rolled back

virtual circuit status

The session waits for a virtual circuit to return a message type indicated by *status*.

Wait Time: 30 seconds

Parameters:

circuit# Indicates the virtual circuit# being waited on

status Indicates what the session is waiting for

WMON goes to sleep

WMON is the UNIX-specific Wait Monitor, that can be used to reduce the number of system calls related to setting timers for posting or waiting in Oracle. You need to set an initialization parameter that enables the WMON process.

Wait Time: Depends on the next timeout

Parameters: None

write complete waits

The session waits for a buffer to be written. The write is caused by normal aging or by a cross-instance call.

Wait Time: 1 second

Parameters:

file# The rollback segment id that contains the transaction that is being rolled back

block# The transaction flags (options) set for the transaction that is being rolled back

id Identifies the reason for waiting

writes stopped by instance recovery or database suspension

The session is blocked until the instance that started Instance Recovery is finished.

Wait Time: 5 seconds

Parameters:

bythread# The rollback segment id that contains the transaction that is being rolled back

ourthread# The current instance thread number

Oracle Enqueue Names

This appendix lists Oracle enqueues. **Enqueues** are shared memory structures (locks) that serialize access to database resources. They can be associated with a session or transaction. Enqueue names are displayed in the `LOCK_TYPE` column of the `DBA_LOCKS` and `DBA_LOCK_INTERNAL` data dictionary views.

A **resource** uniquely identifies an object that can be locked by different sessions within an instance (local resource) or between instances (global resource). Each session that tries to lock the resource will have an **enqueue** on the resource.

Note: The names of enqueues and their definitions may change from release to release.

See Also:

- *Oracle9i Application Developer's Guide - Advanced Queuing* for more information on enqueues
- ["DBA_LOCK_INTERNAL"](#) on page 2-132 and ["DBA_LOCKS"](#) on page 2-133

The Oracle enqueues are:

- BL, Buffer Cache Management
- CF, Controlfile Transaction
- CI, Cross-instance Call Invocation
- CU, Bind Enqueue
- DF, Datafile

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- DL, Direct Loader Index Creation
 - DM, Database Mount
 - DR, Distributed Recovery
 - DX, Distributed TX
 - FS, File Set
 - IN, Instance Number
 - IR, Instance Recovery
 - IS, Instance State
 - IV, Library Cache Invalidation
 - JQ, Job Queue
 - KK, Redo Log "Kick"
 - L[A-P], Library Cache Lock
 - MR, Media Recovery
 - N[A-Z], Library Cache Pin
 - PF, Password File
 - PI, Parallel Slaves
 - PR, Process Startup
 - PS, Parallel Slave Synchronization
 - Q[A-Z], Row Cache
 - RT, Redo Thread
 - SC, System Commit Number
 - SM, SMON
 - SQ, Sequence Number Enqueue
 - SR, Synchronized Replication
 - SS, Sort Segment
 - ST, Space Management Transaction
 - SV, Sequence Number Value
 - TA, Transaction Recovery

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- TM, DML Enqueue
 - TS, Temporary Segment (also TableSpace)
 - TT, Temporary Table
 - TX, Transaction
 - UL, User-defined Locks
 - UN, User Name
 - US, Undo Segment, Serialization
 - WL, Being Written Redo Log
 - XA, Instance Attribute Lock
 - XI, Instance Registration Lock

Statistics Descriptions

This appendix describes the statistics stored in the `V$SESSTAT` and `V$SYSSTAT` dynamic performance tables. These statistics are useful in identifying and correcting performance problems.

Displaying Statistics

The `V$SESSTAT` view displays statistics on a per-session basis and is valid only for the session currently connected. When a session disconnects, all statistics for the session are updated in `V$SYSSTAT`. The values for the statistics are cleared until the next session uses them.

The `V$STATNAME` view contains all of the statistics for an Oracle release.

Many of these statistics are tied to the internal implementation of Oracle and therefore are subject to change or deletion without notice, even between patch releases. Application developers should be aware of this and write their code to tolerate missing or extra statistics.

See Also: ["V\\$SESSTAT"](#) on page 3-117, ["V\\$STATNAME"](#) on page 3-135, and ["V\\$SYSSTAT"](#) on page 3-136 for more information on these views

Statistics Descriptions

This section describes the statistics stored in the `V$SESSTAT` and `V$SYSSTAT` views. The statistics are listed here in alphabetical order.

The `CLASS` column contains a number representing one or more statistics class. The following class numbers are additive:

- 1, User

- 2, Redo
- 4, Enqueue
- 8, Cache
- 16, OS
- 32, Oracle Real Application Cluster
- 64, SQL
- 128, Debug

For example, a class value of 72 represents a statistic that relates to SQL statements and caching.

Some statistics are populated only if the `TIMED_STATISTICS` initialization parameter is set to `TRUE`. Those statistics are flagged in the right-hand column.

Table C-1 Database Statistics Descriptions

| Name | Class | Description | TIMED_STATISTICS |
|----------------------------------|-------|---|------------------|
| background checkpoints completed | 8 | The number of checkpoints completed by the background process. This statistic is incremented when the background process successfully advances the thread checkpoint. | |
| background checkpoints started | 8 | <div>The number of checkpoints started by the background process. This statistics can be larger than "background checkpoints completed" if a new checkpoint overrides an incomplete checkpoint or if a checkpoint is currently under way. This statistic includes only checkpoints of the redo thread. It does not include:<ul style="list-style-type: none">■ Individual file checkpoints for operations such as offline or begin backup■ Foreground (user-requested) checkpoints (for example, performed by <code>ALTER SYSTEM CHECKPOINT LOCAL</code> statements)</div> | |
| branch node splits | 128 | Number of times an index branch block was split because of the insertion of an additional value | |
| buffer is not pinned count | 72 | Number of times a buffer was free when visited. Useful only for internal debugging purposes. | |
| buffer is pinned count | 72 | Number of times a buffer was pinned when visited. Useful only for internal debugging purposes. | |

Table C–1 (Cont.) Database Statistics Descriptions

| Name | Class | Description | TIMED_ STATISTICS |
|--|-------|--|----------------------|
| bytes received via SQL*Net from client | 1 | Total number of bytes received from the client over Net8 | |
| bytes received via SQL*Net from dblink | 1 | Total number of bytes received from a database link over Net8 | |
| bytes sent via SQL*Net to client | 1 | Total number of bytes sent to the client from the foreground process(es). | |
| bytes sent via SQL*Net to dblink | 1 | Total number of bytes sent over a database link | |
| Cached Commit SCN referenced | 128 | Useful only for internal debugging purposes | |
| calls to get snapshot scn: kcmgss | 32 | Number of times a snapshot system change number (SCN) was allocated. The SCN is allocated at the start of a transaction. | |
| calls to kcmgas | 128 | Number of calls to routine kcmgas to get a new SCN | |
| calls to kcmgcs | 128 | Number of calls to routine kcmgcs to get a current SCN | |
| calls to kcmgrs | 128 | Number of calls to routine kcsgrs to get a recent SCN | |
| change write time | 8 | Elapsed redo write time for changes made to CURRENT blocks in 10s of milliseconds. This statistic is populated only if the TIME_STATISTICS parameter is set to TRUE. | |
| cleanouts and rollbacks - consistent read gets | 128 | Number of consistent gets that require both block rollbacks and block cleanouts. See Also: "consistent gets" | |
| cleanouts only - consistent read gets | 128 | Number of consistent gets that require only block cleanouts, no rollbacks. See Also: "consistent gets" | |
| cluster key scan block gets | 64 | Number of blocks obtained in a cluster scan | |
| cluster key scans | 64 | Number of cluster scans that were started | |
| cold recycle reads | 8 | Number of buffers that were read through the least recently used end of the recycle cache with fast aging strategy | |
| commit cleanout failures: block lost | 8 | Number of times Oracle attempted a cleanout at commit but could not find the correct block due to forced write, replacement, or switch CURRENT | |

Table C-1 (Cont.) Database Statistics Descriptions

| Name | Class | Description | TIMED_ STATISTICS |
|--|-------|---|----------------------|
| commit cleanout failures: buffer being written | 8 | Number of times Oracle attempted a cleanout at commit, but the buffer was currently being written | |
| commit cleanout failures: callback failure | 8 | Number of times the cleanout callback function returns FALSE | |
| commit cleanout failures: cannot pin | 8 | Total number of times a commit cleanout was performed but failed because the block could not be pinned | |
| commit cleanout failures: hot backup in progress | 8 | Number of times Oracle attempted block cleanout at commit during hot backup. The image of the block needs to be logged before the buffer can be made dirty. | |
| commit cleanout failures: write disabled | 8 | Number of times a cleanout block at commit was performed but the writes to the database had been temporarily disabled | |
| commit cleanouts | 8 | Total number of times the cleanout block at commit function was performed | |
| commit cleanouts successfully completed | 8 | Number of times the cleanout block at commit function completed successfully | |
| Commit SCN cached | 128 | Number of times the system change number of a commit operation was cached | |
| consistent changes | 8 | <p>Number of times a user process has applied rollback entries to perform a consistent read on the block</p> <p>Work loads that produce a great deal of consistent changes can consume a great deal of resources. The value of this statistic should be small in relation to the "consistent gets" statistic.</p> | |
| consistent gets | 8 | <p>Number of times a consistent read was requested for a block.</p> <p>See Also: "consistent changes" and "session logical reads" statistics</p> | |
| CPU used by this session | 1 | <p>Amount of CPU time (in 10s of milliseconds) used by a session from the time a user call starts until it ends. If a user call completes within 10 milliseconds, the start and end user-call time are the same for purposes of this statistics, and 0 milliseconds are added.</p> <p>A similar problem can exist in the reporting by the operating system, especially on systems that suffer from many context switches.</p> | 3 |

Table C–1 (Cont.) Database Statistics Descriptions

| Name | Class | Description | TIMED_STATISTICS |
|---|-------|---|------------------|
| CPU used when call started | 128 | The CPU time used when the call is started See Also: "CPU used by this session" | 3 |
| CR blocks created | 8 | Number of CURRENT blocks cloned to create CR (consistent read) blocks. The most common reason for cloning is that the buffer is held in a incompatible mode. | |
| current blocks converted for CR | 8 | Number CURRENT blocks converted to CR state | |
| cursor authentications | 128 | Number of privilege checks conducted during execution of an operation | |
| data blocks consistent reads - undo records applied | 128 | Number of undo records applied to data blocks that have been rolled back for consistent read purposes | |
| db block changes | 8 | Closely related to "consistent changes" , this statistic counts the total number of changes that were part of an update or delete operation that were made to all blocks in the SGA. Such changes generate redo log entries and hence become permanent changes to the database if the transaction is committed. This approximates total database work. It statistic indicates the rate at which buffers are being dirtied (on a per-transaction or per-second basis, for example). | |
| db block gets | 8 | Number of times a CURRENT block was requested See Also: "consistent gets" | |
| DBWR buffers scanned | 8 | Total number of dirty and clean buffers Oracle looks at when scanning LRU sets for dirty buffers to clean. Divide by "DBWR lru scans" to find the average number of buffers scanned. | |
| DBWR checkpoint buffers written | 8 | Number of buffers that were written for checkpoints | |
| DBWR checkpoints | 8 | Number of times the DBWR was asked to scan the cache and write all blocks marked for a checkpoint or the end of recovery. This statistic is always larger than "background checkpoints completed" . | |
| DBWR cross instance writes | 40 | Oracle Real Application Cluster only: Number of blocks written to satisfy a lock request from another instance | |

Table C-1 (Cont.) Database Statistics Descriptions

| Name | Class | Description | TIMED_STATISTICS |
|--|-------|---|------------------|
| DBWR free buffers found | 8 | Number of clean buffers that DBWR found when it was requested to make free buffers. Divide by "DBWR make free requests" to find the average number of reusable buffers at the end of each LRU. | |
| DBWR lru scans | 8 | Number of times that DBWR scans the LRU queue looking for buffers to write. This count includes scans to fill a batch being written for another purpose (such as a checkpoint). This statistic is always greater than or equal to "DBWR make free requests". | |
| DBWR make free requests | 8 | Number of requests to DBWR to make some free buffers for the LRU | |
| DBWR revisited being-written buffer | 8 | <p>Number of times that DBWR tried to save a buffer for writing and found that it was already in the write batch. This statistic measures the amount of "useless" work that DBWR had to do in trying to fill the batch.</p> <p>Many sources contribute to a write batch. If the same buffer from different sources is considered for adding to the write batch, then all but the first attempt will be "useless" because the buffer is already marked as being written.</p> | |
| DBWR summed scan depth | 8 | The current scan depth (number of buffers examined by DBWR) is added to this statistic every time DBWR scans the LRU for dirty buffers. Divide by "DBWR lru scans" to find the average scan depth. | |
| DBWR transaction table writes | 8 | Number of rollback segment headers written by DBWR. This statistic indicates how many "hot" buffers were written, causing a user process to wait while the write completed. | |
| DBWR undo block writes | 8 | Number of rollback segment blocks written by DBWR | |
| DDL statements parallelized | 32 | Number of DDL statements that were executed in parallel | |
| deferred (CURRENT) block cleanout applications | 128 | Number of times cleanout records are deferred, piggyback with changes, always current get | |
| DFO trees parallelized | 32 | Number of times a serial execution plan was converted to a parallel plan | |
| dirty buffers inspected | 8 | Number of dirty buffers found by the user process while the it is looking for a buffer to reuse | |
| DML statements parallelized | 32 | Number of DML statements that were executed in parallel | |

Table C–1 (Cont.) Database Statistics Descriptions

| Name | Class | Description | TIMED_ STATISTICS |
|-------------------------------|-------|--|----------------------|
| enqueue conversions | 4 | Total number of conversions of the state of table or row lock | |
| enqueue deadlocks | 4 | Total number of deadlocks between table or row locks in different sessions | |
| enqueue releases | 4 | Total number of table or row locks released | |
| enqueue requests | 4 | Total number of table or row locks acquired | |
| enqueue timeouts | 4 | Total number of table and row locks (acquired and converted) that timed out before they could complete | |
| enqueue waits | 4 | Total number of waits that occurred during an enqueue convert or get because the enqueue get was deferred | |
| exchange deadlocks | 8 | Number of times that a process detected a potential deadlock when exchanging two buffers and raised an internal, restartable error. Index scans are the only operations that perform exchanges. | |
| execute count | 64 | Total number of calls (user and recursive) that executed SQL statements | |
| free buffer inspected | 8 | Number of buffers skipped over from the end of an LRU queue in order to find a reusable buffer. The difference between this statistic and "dirty buffers inspected" is the number of buffers that could not be used because they had a user, a waiter, or were being read or written, or because they were busy or needed to be written after rapid aging out. | |
| free buffer requested | 8 | Number of times a reusable buffer or a free buffer was requested to create or load a block | |
| global cache blocks corrupt | 40 | Oracle9i Real Application Clusters only: Number of blocks that encountered a corruption or checksum failure during interconnect | |
| global cache convert time | 40 | Oracle9i Real Application Clusters only: Total time elapsed during lock converts | |
| global cache convert timeouts | 40 | Number of times lock converts in the global cache timed out | |
| global cache converts | 40 | Number of lock converts in the global cache | |

Table C–1 (Cont.) Database Statistics Descriptions

| Name | Class | Description | TIMED_ STATISTICS |
|--------------------------------------|-------|---|----------------------|
| global cache cr block receive time | 40 | Total amount of time foreground processes waited for a CR block to be sent through the interconnect. This statistic divided by "global cache cr blocks received" = time waited per block. | |
| global cache cr block serve time | 40 | Total amount of time the BSP process took to construct consistent-read (CR) blocks. This statistic divided by "global cache cr blocks served" = construction time per CR block. | |
| global cache cr blocks received | 40 | Total number of blocks received | |
| global cache cr blocks served | 40 | Total number of blocks constructed by the BSP process | |
| global cache cr requests blocked | 40 | Number of times foreground attempt to request a cr block and failed | |
| global cache cr timeouts | 40 | Number of times a foreground process requested a consistent-read (CR) block when the request timed out | |
| global cache defers | 40 | Number of times a lock was requested and the holder of the lock deferred the release | |
| global cache freelist waits | 40 | System configured with fewer lock elements than buffers. Number of times foreground has to wait for a lock element. | |
| global cache get time | 40 | Total time spent waiting. This divided by global cache gets = time waited per request. | |
| global cache gets | 40 | Number of locks acquired | |
| global cache cr block send time | 40 | Total time spent by the BSP process in sending constructed consistent-read (CR) blocks. This statistic divided by "global cache cr blocks served" = send time per CR block. | |
| global cache cr block log flushes | 40 | Number of log flushes of the consistent-read block | |
| global cache cr block log flush time | 40 | Total time spent by the BSP process in log flushes after sending a constructed consistent-read (CR) block. This statistic divided by "global cache cr blocks served" = log flush time per CR block. | |
| global cache prepare failures | 40 | Number of times a failure occurred during preparation for interconnect transfer | |
| global lock async converts | 32 | Total number of asynchronous global lock converts | |

Table C–1 (Cont.) Database Statistics Descriptions

| Name | Class | Description | TIMED_ STATISTICS |
|---|-------|--|-------------------|
| global lock async gets | 32 | Total number of asynchronous global lock gets | |
| global lock convert time | 32 | Total elapsed time in 10s of milliseconds of all synchronous (non-asynchronous) global lock converts | |
| global lock get time | 32 | Total elapsed time in 10s of milliseconds of all synchronous (non-asynchronous) global lock gets | |
| global lock releases | 32 | Total number of synchronous global lock releases | |
| global lock sync converts | 32 | Total number of synchronous global lock converts | |
| global lock sync gets | 32 | Total number of synchronous global lock gets | |
| hot buffers moved to head of LRU | 8 | When a hot buffer reaches the tail of its replacement list, Oracle moves it back to the head of the list to keep it from being reused. This statistic counts such moves. | |
| immediate (CR) block cleanout applications | 128 | Number of times cleanout records are applied immediately during consistent-read requests | |
| immediate (CURRENT) block cleanout applications | 128 | Number of times cleanout records are applied immediately during current gets. Compare this statistic with "deferred (CURRENT) block cleanout applications" | |
| index fast full scans (direct read) | 64 | Number of fast full scans initiated using direct read | |
| index fast full scans (full) | 64 | Number of fast full scans initiated for full segments | |
| index fast full scans (rowid ranges) | 64 | Number of fast full scans initiated with rowid endpoints specified | |
| instance recovery database freeze count | 32 | Number of times the database is frozen during instance recovery | |
| kcmccs called get current scn | 32 | Number of times the kernel got the CURRENT SCN when there was a need to casually confirm the SCN | |
| kcmgss read scn without going to DLM | 32 | Number of times the kernel got a snapshot SCN without going to the distributed lock manager (DLM) | |
| kcmgss waited for batching | 32 | Number of times a database process is blocked waiting for a snapshot SCN | |
| leaf node splits | 128 | Number of times an index leaf node was split because of the insertion of an additional value | |

Table C–1 (Cont.) Database Statistics Descriptions

| Name | Class | Description | TIMED_ STATISTICS |
|---------------------------------------|-------|--|-------------------|
| logons cumulative | 1 | Total number of logons since the instance started. Useful only in V\$SYSSTAT. It gives an instance overview of all processes that logged on. | |
| logons current | 1 | Total number of current logons. Useful only in V\$SYSSTAT. | |
| messages received | 128 | Number of messages sent and received between background processes | |
| messages sent | 128 | | |
| native hash arithmetic execute | 64 | Number of hash operations performed using native arithmetic rather than Oracle NUMBERS | |
| native hash arithmetic fail | 64 | Number of has operations performed using native arithmetic that failed, requiring the hash operation to be performed with Oracle NUMBERS | |
| next scns gotten without going to DLM | 32 | Number of system change numbers obtained without going to the distributed lock manager or server | |
| no buffer to keep pinned count | 72 | Number of times a visit to a buffer attempted, but the buffer was not found where expected. Like "buffer is not pinned count" and "buffer is pinned count", this statistic is useful only for internal debugging purposes. | |
| no work - consistent read gets | 128 | Number consistent gets that require neither block cleanouts nor rollbacks. See Also: "consistent gets" | |
| opened cursors cumulative | 1 | In V\$SYSSTAT: Total number of cursors opened since the instance started. In V\$SESSTAT: Total number of cursors opened since the start of the session. | |
| opened cursors current | 1 | Total number of current open cursors | |
| opens of replaced files | 8 | Total number of files that had to be reopened because they were no longer in the process file cache | |
| opens requiring cache replacement | 8 | Total number of file opens that caused a current file in the process file cache to be closed | |

Table C–1 (Cont.) Database Statistics Descriptions

| Name | Class | Description | TIMED_ STATISTICS |
|---------------------------------|--------------|---|------------------------------|
| OS All other sleep time | 16 | Time spent sleeping for reasons other than misses in the data segment (see "OS Data page fault sleep time"), kernel page faults (see "OS Kernel page fault sleep time"), misses in the text segment (see "OS Text page fault sleep time"), or waiting for an OS locking object (see "OS User lock wait sleep time"). An example of such a reason is expiration of quanta. | |
| OS Chars read and written | 16 | Number of bytes read and written | |
| OS Data page fault sleep time | 16 | Time spent sleeping due to misses in the data segment | |
| OS Input blocks | 16 | Number of read I/Os | |
| OS Involuntary context switches | 16 | Number of context switches that were enforced by the operating system | |
| OS Kernel page fault sleep time | 16 | Time spent sleeping due to OS kernel page faults | |
| OS Major page faults | 16 | Number of page faults that resulted in I/O | |
| OS Messages received | 16 | Number of messages received | |
| OS Messages sent | 16 | Number of messages sent | |
| OS Minor page faults | 16 | Number of page faults that did not result in an actual I/O | |
| OS Other system trap CPU time | 16 | Total amount of time to process system traps (as distinct from system calls) | |
| OS Output blocks | 16 | Number of write I/Os | |
| OS Process heap size | 16 | Size of area in memory allocated by the process. Typically this represents memory obtained by way of malloc(). | |
| OS Process stack size | 16 | Size of the process stack segment | |
| OS Signals received | 16 | Number of signals received | |
| OS Swaps | 16 | Number of swap pages | |
| OS System call CPU time | 16 | Total amount of time spent executing in system mode | |
| OS System calls | 16 | Number of system calls | |
| OS Text page fault sleep time | 16 | Time spent sleeping due to misses in the text segment | |
| OS User level CPU time | 16 | Total amount of time spent executing in user mode | |

Table C–1 (Cont.) Database Statistics Descriptions

| Name | Class | Description | TIMED_STATISTICS |
|---|-------|--|------------------|
| OS User lock wait sleep time | 16 | Total amount of time sleeping while waiting for an OS locking object | |
| OS Voluntary context switches | 16 | Number of voluntary context switches (for example, when a process gives up the CPU by a SLEEP() system call) | |
| OS Wait-cpu (latency) time | 16 | Time spent sleeping while waiting for a CPU to become available | |
| Parallel operations downgraded 1 to 25 pct | 32 | Number of times parallel execution was requested and the degree of parallelism was reduced because of insufficient parallel execution servers | |
| Parallel operations downgraded 25 to 50 pct | 32 | | |
| Parallel operations downgraded 50 to 75 pct | 32 | | |
| Parallel operations downgraded 75 to 99 pct | 32 | | |
| Parallel operations downgraded to serial | 32 | Number of times parallel execution was requested but execution was serial because of insufficient parallel execution servers | |
| Parallel operations not downgraded | 32 | Number of times parallel execution was executed at the requested degree of parallelism | |
| parse count (hard) | 64 | Total number of parse calls (real parses). A hard parse is a very expensive operation in terms of memory use, because it requires Oracle to allocate a workheap and other memory structures and then build a parse tree. | |
| parse count (total) | 64 | Total number of parse calls (hard and soft). A soft parse is a check on an object already in the shared pool, to verify that the permissions on the underlying object have not changed. | |
| parse time cpu | 64 | Total CPU time used for parsing (hard and soft) in 10s of milliseconds | 3 |
| parse time elapsed | 64 | Total elapsed time for parsing, in 10s of milliseconds. Subtract " parse time cpu " from the this statistic to determine the total waiting time for parse resources. | 3 |
| physical reads | 8 | Total number of data blocks read from disk. This number equals the value of " physical reads direct " plus all reads into buffer cache. | |

Table C-1 (Cont.) Database Statistics Descriptions

| Name | Class | Description | TIMED_STATISTICS |
|---------------------------------------|-------|---|------------------|
| physical reads direct | 8 | Number of reads directly from disk, bypassing the buffer cache. For example, in high bandwidth, data-intensive operations such as parallel query, reads of disk blocks bypass the buffer cache to maximize transfer rates and to prevent the premature aging of shared data blocks resident in the buffer cache. | |
| physical writes | 8 | Total number of data blocks written to disk. This number equals the value of "physical writes direct" plus all writes from buffer cache. | |
| physical writes direct | 8 | Number of writes directly to disk, bypassing the buffer cache (as in a direct load operation) | |
| physical writes non checkpoint | 8 | Number of times a buffer is written for reasons other than advancement of the checkpoint. Used as a metric for determining the I/O overhead imposed by setting the FAST_START_IO_TARGET parameter to limit recovery I/Os. Essentially this statistic measures the number of writes that would have occurred had there been no checkpointing. Subtracting this value from "physical writes" gives the extra I/O for checkpointing. | |
| pinned buffers inspected | 8 | Number of times a user process, when scanning the tail of the replacement list looking for a buffer to reuse, encountered a cold buffer that was pinned or had a waiter that was about to pin it. This occurrence is uncommon, because a cold buffer should not be pinned very often. | |
| prefetched blocks | 8 | Number of contiguous and noncontiguous blocks that were prefetched | |
| prefetched blocks aged out before use | 8 | Number of contiguous and noncontiguous blocks that were prefetched but aged out before use | |
| process last non-idle time | 128 | The last time this process executed | 3 |
| PX local messages rcv'd | 32 | Number of local messages received for parallel execution within the instance local to the current session | |
| PX local messages sent | 32 | Number of local messages sent for parallel execution within the instance local to the current session | |
| PX remote messages rcv'd | 32 | Number of remote messages received for parallel execution within the instance local to the current session | |
| PX remote messages sent | 32 | Number of remote messages sent for parallel execution within the instance local to the current session | |

Table C–1 (Cont.) Database Statistics Descriptions

| Name | Class | Description | TIMED_STATISTICS |
|--------------------------------|-------|---|------------------|
| queries parallelized | 32 | Number of SELECT statements executed in parallel | |
| recovery array read time | 8 | Elapsed time of I/O during recovery | |
| recovery array reads | 8 | Number of reads performed during recovery | |
| recovery blocks read | 8 | Number of blocks read during recovery | |
| recursive calls | 1 | Number of recursive calls generated at both the user and system level. Oracle maintains tables used for internal processing. When Oracle needs to make a change to these tables, it internally generates an internal SQL statement, which in turn generates a recursive call. | |
| recursive cpu usage | 1 | Total CPU time used by non-user calls (recursive calls). Subtract this value from "CPU used by this session" to determine how much CPU time was used by the user calls. | |
| redo blocks written | 2 | Total number of redo blocks written. This statistic divided by "redo writes" equals number of blocks per write. | |
| redo buffer allocation retries | 2 | Total number of retries necessary to allocate space in the redo buffer. Retries are needed either because the redo writer has fallen behind or because an event such as a log switch is occurring. | |
| redo entries | 2 | Number of times a redo entry is copied into the redo log buffer | |
| redo log space requests | 2 | <p>Number of times the active log file is full and Oracle must wait for disk space to be allocated for the redo log entries. Such space is created by performing a log switch.</p> <p>Log files that are small in relation to the size of the SGA or the commit rate of the work load can cause problems. When the log switch occurs, Oracle must ensure that all committed dirty buffers are written to disk before switching to a new log file. If you have a large SGA full of dirty buffers and small redo log files, a log switch must wait for DBWR to write dirty buffers to disk before continuing.</p> <p>Also examine the log file space and log file space switch wait events in V\$SESSION_WAIT</p> | |
| redo log space wait time | 2 | Total elapsed waiting time for "redo log space requests" in 10s of milliseconds | 3 |

Table C-1 (Cont.) Database Statistics Descriptions

| Name | Class | Description | TIMED_STATISTICS |
|---|-------|---|------------------|
| redo log switch interrupts | 2 | Number of times that another instance asked this instance to advance to the next log file | |
| redo ordering marks | 2 | Number of times that a system change number was allocated to force a redo record to have an higher SCN than a record generated in another thread using the same block | |
| redo size | 2 | Total amount of redo generated in bytes | |
| redo synch time | 8 | Elapsed time of all "redo synch writes" calls in 10s of milliseconds | 3 |
| redo synch writes | 8 | Number of times a change being applied to the log buffer must be written out to disk due to a commit. The log buffer is a circular buffer that LGWR periodically flushes. Usually, redo that is generated and copied into the log buffer need not be flushed out to disk immediately. | |
| redo wastage | 2 | Number of bytes wasted because redo blocks needed to be written before they are completely full. Early writing may be needed to commit transactions, to be able to write a database buffer, or to switch logs. | |
| redo write time | 2 | Total elapsed time of the write from the redo log buffer to the current redo log file in 10s of milliseconds | 3 |
| redo writer latching time | 2 | Elapsed time in 10s of milliseconds needed by LGWR to obtain and release each copy latch | 3 |
| redo writes | 2 | Total number of writes by LGWR to the redo log files. "redo blocks written" divided by this statistic equals the number of blocks per write | |
| remote instance undo block writes | 40 | Number of times this instance wrote a rollback segment so that another instance could read it | |
| remote instance undo header writes | 40 | Number of times this instance wrote a undo header block so that another instance could read it | |
| rollback changes - undo records applied | 128 | Number of undo records applied to user-requested rollback changes (not consistent-read rollbacks) | |
| rollbacks only - consistent read gets | 128 | Number of consistent gets that require only block rollbacks, no block cleanouts. | |

See Also: "consistent gets"

Table C-1 (Cont.) Database Statistics Descriptions

| Name | Class | Description | TIMED_STATISTICS |
|--------------------------------|-------|---|------------------|
| rows fetched via callback | 64 | Rows fetched via callback. Useful primarily for internal debugging purposes. | |
| serializable aborts | 1 | Number of times a SQL statement in a serializable isolation level had to abort | |
| session connect time | 1 | The connect time for the session in 10s of milliseconds. This value is useful only in V\$SESSTAT. It is the wall clock time since the logon to this session occurred. | 3 |
| session cursor cache count | 64 | Total number of cursors cached. This statistic is incremented only if SESSION_CACHED_CURSORS > 0. This statistic is the most useful in V\$SESSTAT. If the value for this statistic in V\$SESSTAT is close to the setting of the SESSION_CACHED_CURSORS parameter, the value of the parameter should be increased. | |
| session cursor cache hits | 64 | Number of hits in the session cursor cache. A hit means that the SQL statement did not have to be reparsed. Subtract this statistic from "parse count (total)" to determine the real number of parses that occurred. | |
| session logical reads | 1 | The sum of "db block gets" plus "consistent gets" | |
| session pga memory | 1 | Current PGA size for the session. Useful only in V\$SESSTAT; it has no meaning in V\$SYSSTAT. | |
| session pga memory max | 1 | Peak PGA size for the session. Useful only in V\$SESSTAT; it has no meaning in V\$SYSSTAT. | |
| session stored procedure space | 1 | Amount of memory this session is using for stored procedures | |
| session uga memory | 1 | Current UGA size for the session. Useful only in V\$SESSTAT; it has no meaning in V\$SYSSTAT. | |
| session uga memory max | 1 | Peak UGA size for a session. Useful only in V\$SESSTAT; it has no meaning in V\$SYSSTAT. | |
| sorts (disk) | 64 | Number of sort operations that required at least one disk write Sorts that require I/O to disk are quite resource intensive. Try increasing the size of the initialization parameter SORT_AREA_SIZE. For more information, see "SORT_AREA_SIZE" on page 1-159. | |

Table C–1 (Cont.) Database Statistics Descriptions

| Name | Class | Description | TIMED_ STATISTICS |
|-----------------------------------|-------|--|----------------------|
| sorts (memory) | 64 | <p>Number of sort operations that were performed completely in memory and did not require any disk writes</p> <p>You cannot do much better than memory sorts, except maybe no sorts at all. Sorting is usually caused by selection criteria specifications within table join SQL operations.</p> | |
| sorts (rows) | 64 | Total number of rows sorted | |
| SQL*Net roundtrips to/from client | 1 | Total number of Net8 messages sent to and received from the client | |
| SQL*Net roundtrips to/from dblink | 1 | Total number of Net8 messages sent over and received from a database link | |
| summed dirty queue length | 8 | The sum of the dirty LRU queue length after every write request. Divide by write requests to get the average queue length after write completion. | |
| switch current to new buffer | 8 | Number of times the CURRENT block moved to a different buffer, leaving a CR block in the original buffer | |
| table fetch by rowid | 64 | <p>Number of rows that are fetched using a ROWID (usually recovered from an index)</p> <p>This occurrence of table scans usually indicates either non-optimal queries or tables without indexes. Therefore, this statistic should increase as you optimize queries and provide indexes in the application.</p> | |
| table fetch continued row | 64 | <p>Number of times a chained or migrated row is encountered during a fetch</p> <p>Retrieving rows that span more than one block increases the logical I/O by a factor that corresponds to the number of blocks that need to be accessed. Exporting and re-importing may eliminate this problem. Evaluate the settings for the storage parameters PCTFREE and PCTUSED. This problem cannot be fixed if rows are larger than database blocks (for example, if the LONG datatype is used and the rows are extremely large).</p> | |

Table C–1 (Cont.) Database Statistics Descriptions

| Name | Class | Description | TIMED_ STATISTICS |
|---------------------------------------|-------|---|----------------------|
| table scan blocks gotten | 64 | <p>During scanning operations, each row is retrieved sequentially by Oracle. This statistic counts the number of blocks encountered during the scan.</p> <p>This statistic tells you the number of database blocks that you had to get from the buffer cache for the purpose of scanning. Compare this value with the value of "consistent gets" to determine how much of the consistent read activity can be attributed to scanning.</p> | |
| table scan rows gotten | 64 | Number of rows that are processed during scanning operations | |
| table scans (cache partitions) | 64 | Number of range scans performed on tables that have the CACHE option enabled | |
| table scans (direct read) | 64 | Number of table scans performed with direct read (bypassing the buffer cache) | |
| table scans (long tables) | 64 | Long (or conversely short) tables can be defined as tables that do not meet the short table criteria as described in table scans (short tables) | |
| table scans (rowid ranges) | 64 | During parallel query, the number of table scans conducted with specified ROWID ranges | |
| table scans (short tables) | 64 | Long (or conversely short) tables can be defined by optimizer hints coming down into the row source access layer of Oracle. The table must have the CACHE option set. | |
| total file opens | 8 | Total number of file opens performed by the instance. Each process needs a number of files (control file, log file, database file) in order to work against the database. | |
| transaction lock background get time | 128 | Useful only for internal debugging purposes | |
| transaction lock background gets | 128 | Useful only for internal debugging purposes | |
| transaction lock foreground requests | 128 | Useful only for internal debugging purposes | |
| transaction lock foreground wait time | 128 | Useful only for internal debugging purposes | |
| transaction rollbacks | 128 | Number of transactions being successfully rolled back | |

Table C–1 (Cont.) Database Statistics Descriptions

| Name | Class | Description | TIMED_ STATISTICS |
|--|--------------|---|------------------------------|
| transaction tables consistent read rollbacks | 128 | Number of times rollback segment headers are rolled back to create consistent read blocks | |
| transaction tables consistent reads - undo records applied | 128 | Number of undo records applied to transaction tables that have been rolled back for consistent read purposes | |
| Unnecessary process cleanup for SCN batching | 32 | Total number of times that the process cleanup was performed unnecessarily because the session or process did not get the next batched SCN. The next batched SCN went to another session instead. | |
| user calls | 1 | Number of user calls such as login, parse, fetch, or execute When determining activity, the ratio of user calls to RPI calls, give you an indication of how much internal work gets generated as a result of the type of requests the user is sending to Oracle. | |
| user commits | 1 | Number of user commits. When a user commits a transaction, the redo generated that reflects the changes made to database blocks must be written to disk. Commits often represent the closest thing to a user transaction rate. | |
| user rollbacks | 1 | Number of times users manually issue the <code>ROLLBACK</code> statement or an error occurs during a user's transactions | |
| write clones created in background | 8 | Number of times a a background or foreground process clones a <code>CURRENT</code> buffer that is being written. The clone becomes the new, accessible <code>CURRENT</code> buffer, leaving the original buffer (now the clone) to complete writing. | |
| write clones created in foreground | 8 | | |

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