

Monitor services

The Services tab allows you to view the status and manage your SQL Server services including the following services:

- SQL Server Agent
- SQL Server Browser
- Full-Text Search (Note that SQL Server 2008 no longer has a separate full-text search service. If the monitored instance is SQL Server 2008, the full-text search does not appear on the grid or graph.)
- DTC (Distributed Transaction Coordinator service)
- Replication services



The Start and Stop service actions are not supported for virtual SQL Server instances or instances located on a Windows cluster node. To start or stop a service on a virtual SQL Server 2008 instance, use the Microsoft Failover Cluster Management tool. For SQL Server 2005 or earlier, use the Microsoft Cluster Administrator tool to manage services.

Access the Services tab

Access this tab by selecting the appropriate monitored server and clicking the Services tab.

Service	Status	Running Since	Service Name	Startup Type	Log On As	Description
Distributed Transaction Coordinator	Stopped		MSDTC	Manual	NT AUTHORITY\NetworkService	Coordinates transactions that span mul
SQL Server	Running	7/15/2023 7:28:19 AM	MSSQLSERVER	Auto	NT Service\MSSQLSERVER	Provides storage, processing and contr
SQL Server Agent	Running	7/26/2023 8:44:43 AM	SQLSERVERAGENT	Manual	NT Service\SQLSERVERAGENT	Executes jobs, monitors SQL Server, fire
SQL Server Browser	Stopped		SQLBROWSER	Disabled	NT AUTHORITY\LOCALSERVICE	Provides SQL Server connection informa

Alerts associated with the Services tab

The following alerts are associated with the Services tab:

Cluster Active Node

The active node of the cluster is non-preferred. You can configure the preferred node under **Server Properties > Cluster Settings**.

Cluster Failover

There is a change in the active node. This alert remains active for the amount of time specified in the advanced settings for that alert.

Distribution Latency (Seconds)

Time in seconds that a replication transaction is held at the Publisher and waiting for a Distributor.

DTC Status

Displays the status of the Distributed Transaction Coordinator service.

Full-Text Search Status

Displays the status of the Full-Text Search service.

Last Full-Text Catalog Update (Hours)

The number of hours beyond which the Full-Text Catalog statistics data is considered outdated.

Latent replication transaction (Count)

The number of transactions not written to the Distribution database.

SQL Server Agent Job Completion

Provides the status of the Agent Job Completion metric. Values for this alert include **Succeeded**, **Retry**, **Canceled**, **Failed**, and **Unknown**.

SQL Server Agent Job Failure

Indicates that a scheduled job processed by the SQL Server Agent service ended abnormally.

SQL Server Agent Long Running Job (Minutes)

Provides the maximum number of minutes used to complete a scheduled SQL Server Agent job.

SQL Server Agent Long Running Job (Percentage)

Indicates the percentage of time a scheduled job is using over what it normally uses to complete the job.

SQL Server Agent Status

Displays the status of the SQL Server Agent service.

SQL Server Active Directory Helper Service Status

Displays the status of the SQL Server Active Directory Helper service.

SQL Server Browser Service Status

Displays the status of the SQL Server Browser service.

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Unsubscribed Transactions (Count)

The number of non-subscribed transactions written to the Distribution database.

Unsubscribed Transactions (Seconds)

The number of seconds a transaction written to the database waits before subscription.

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