

# SQL Server Data Used (Percent) alert

The SQL Server Data Used (Percent) alert indicates that you have a high percentage of allocated database space in use.

This alert is raised based on the database metrics collection interval specified in Server Properties. For more information, see [Set general server options](#).

## Reduce your SQL Server database space used

- You may need to increase the amount of space allocated to databases, add disks to the computer hosting the instance, or move databases to another host computer.
- If you have autogrowth turned off, this alert indicates that you need to either allocate more space for databases or add more disk space.
- If you have autogrowth turned on and this alert is triggered often, you may need to adjust your autogrowth settings to a higher percentage to improve performance. Constant growth adjustments can degrade performance.
- For SQL Server 2000 users, SQLdm may incorrectly report the file size. This issue occurs when certain columns in the `sysindexes` table become inaccurate and provide SQL Diagnostic Manager with incorrect information regarding the number of rows and table size. To correct this problem, use the following T-SQL syntax:

```
DBCC UPDATEUSAGE ( 'database_name' ) GO
```

We recommend that you execute this command during non-peak hours as it is server intensive.



To enable alerting when this metric is outside its established baseline, click the **Baseline Thresholds Enabled (as percentage of baseline)** check box in the Alert Configuration window.