

Re: import data from FoxPro database (ISIS)

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Hi Amanda,

This error usually occurs when a table is part of a Database Container and the table or DBC has moved relative to the other one. Is there a DBC file present with the DBFs? Were you using the DBC option or free table option in your connection string?

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VFP OLE DB: <http://msdn2.microsoft.com/en-us/vfoxpro/bb190232.aspx>

VFP ODBC: <http://msdn2.microsoft.com/en-us/vfoxpro/bb190233.aspx>

"Amanda Byrne" <AmandaByrne@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message news:BA0FABE1-D414-495A-A213-FF7391487648@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx

I have the ODBC driver on my computer. I right click in the Tables window of a blank Access database, and select Link Tables. I change the file type to odbc and set up the DSN. If I set up the dsn as a Machine system connection, I see the list of tables I need, and the link is created, but when I try to open the link I get this error:

ODBC-call failed.
[Microsoft]. [ODBC Visual FoxPro driver] Cannot resolve backlink. (#976)

I'm a little confused about setting up the OLE DB stuff, do you have to create the ODBC link and then configure the OLE DB connection? How do I do this?

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"Cindy Winegarden" wrote:

Hi Amanda,

Yes, you've got Visual FoxPro files. The DBC table is a "database container"

where things like stored procedures and view definitions are stored. The DCX

is the index for the DBC table and the DCT is the contents of any memo fields. In addition to the DBC you should have DBFs which are the actual FoxPro tables; CDX is the optional index and FPT is the optional memo, although you need to have both present since the table knows whether it has them or not.

Over time new data features have been added to FoxPro tables, making them to

be no longer compatible with Jet. However, you can probably use the FoxPro

and Visual Foxpro ODBC driver to link the tables to your MDB. However, with

VFP7 and above, even more data features were added making the tables only accessible via OLE DB and ADO. However, tables created with VFP7 and above

that don't have the new features are still compatible with ODBC. If you use

ODBC, the connection string should point to the DBC itself (if there is no

DBC present you would use the "free" table option and point only to the directory where the DBFs are stored. A typical OLE DB connection string is

"Provider=VFPOLEDB.1;Data Source=MyPath\MyDBC.dbc;" or for free tables:

"Provider=VFPOLEDB.1;Data Source=MyPath;"

The ODBC driver and OLE DB data provider are downloadable from the links

below my signature. The OLE DB data provider works with all versions of FoxPro tables and is totally backward compatible.

With OLE DB your SQL statement should refer to the table itself such as "Select * From MyTable" without the DBF extension and without referencing the DBC.

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The files typically have .dbc, .dct, .dcx extensions. The files that contain the data I need are .dbf. I have no idea what version of FoxPro this might be— but have had no luck trying to import the dbf files....