

Re: 2GB size limitation workaround

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Unfortunately, I don't know how to save a picture that has been stored in the database back to a file. Perhaps there is some ActiveX image control that allows you to SaveAs, but I don't know of any. Still, it's a place to start looking.

Sorry I can't be more help.

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--Roger Carlson

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"Karen" <karen.roem@ntlworld.com> wrote in message
news:2095e01c45963\$1496ad70\$a101280a@phx.gbl...

> Dear Roger and John, many thanks for your feedback. I am
> aware - with hindsight - that storing the pictures in
> Access was a bad idea but a lot of work has been put into
> entering (200) records that way. Do any of you know of a
> way to convert the embedded pictures to a linked one or do
> we have to do that manually? (setting the picture type to
> link applies to new records only, not for existing ones :-(
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> Once again thanks for your help!
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> Karen
> >-----Original Message-----
> >There is no workaround for the 2GB database size other
> than splitting the
> >database into multiple databases less than 2GB.
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> >However, it is *very* *bad* *practice* to store the
> >pictures IN Access.
> >Sure, it's possible, but Access is not really designed
> >for it, as you have
> >discovered.
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> >One solution is to leave the pictures in a directory on
> >the hard drive and
> >only store the path and file name. You can then load the
> >picture
> >programmatically on a form or report. On my websites
> >(see sig below) is a
> >small sample database called "Picture.mdb" which
> >illustrates how.
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> >If you need to load them in an external program, you can
> store the path as a
> >hyperlink. Clicking the hyperlink will open the file in
> the associated
> >external program. Another sample: "SetHyperlink.mdb"
> illustrates how to do
> >that.
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> >You can also move files around your harddrive or network
> using Access with
> >the Name(), FileCopy(), Dir(), and Kill() functions,
> which all work in the
> >Operating System on files.
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> >Your only other option is to move up to a more powerful
> database engine like
> >Oracle or SQL Server.
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> >"Karen" <karen.roem@ntlworld.com> wrote in message
> >news:2011901c45932$20756d60$a601280a@phx.gbl...
> >> I'm approaching the 2GB size limitation. Compacting the
> >> database has no effect and the other workaround to split
> >> the database is not an option (for us).
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> >> Does anybody has any other recommendations?
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> >> PS
> >> Some background information: this is an Access 2000
> >> database with pictures and it was decided to embed the
> >> pictures in order to activate them using PhotoEditor and
> >> so that files can be moved to other locations on the
> >> disk.
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