

## Re: How are static variables handled in asp.net

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Hi Frank:

If I have this class in an ASP.NET project:

```
public class Foo
{
    public static string Bar
    {
        get
        {
            // pull a string from the config file,
            // the database, a resource file, etc..
        }
    }
}
```

Then I can write:

```
Foo.Bar
```

from anywhere else in code to pull back the string I need. Public static members are global and always available (which can make them a double edged sword in some scenarios).

VB.NET works the same way, except the keyword is "Shared" instead of static.

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Scott
http://www.OdeToCode.com
On Thu, 9 Sep 2004 14:14:10 -0400, "Frank Mamone"
<frankmnospam@canada.com> wrote:
>How do you use static variables?
>
>Is that like global variables that are always available?
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>-Frank
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