

How to Manager the ASP.NET Web Site Administration Tool

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Hello,

I am a somewhat experienced VS 2005 user who is trying to us the ASP.NET Web Site Administration Tool for the first time. I have experimented with it on my local IIS and it seems to be an excellent tool for security administration. However, I have some long term questions.

Where does the W.S.A.T. store its information? In my local SQL Server 2000, I can see a database called "aspnetdb" – however none of the tables contain any data (despite the fact that I have created a couple of users & roles). Is it storing them in the local instance of SQL Server 2005 Express that was installed with VS 2005? If so, I suppose I need to install that "SQL Server 2005 Management Studio Express Edition", correct?

This leads me to my next question. While I don't really "care" right now where the data is stored, I WILL care when I move my completed application to the real SQL Server 2000 that my company uses. How would I make the switch so that my ASP.NET application looks in a location on another server? I have seen some articles discussing this issue, and they all deal with modifying a .config file to use a different connection string. Am I on the right track?

Obviously, I am a newbie when it comes to this stuff, so I would greatly appreciate any guidance that anyone could offer me.
Thank you in advance,

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