

# Tableau Interview Questions & Answers – Part 2 of 100

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## 1. What is the use of extracts in Tableau?

Create a tableau extract if you having performance issues. These extract files can include performance-oriented features such as pre-aggregated data for hierarchies and pre-calculated calculated fields (reducing the amount of work required to render and display the visualization).

## 2. Give few points DBA needs to follow for better performance?

Make certain you have indexes on any column used in a filter.

Explicitly define primary keys.

Explicitly define foreign key relationships.

For large data sets, use table partitioning.

Define columns as NOT NULL where possible.

## 3. What is the use of statistics in tableau?

Databases engines collect statistical information about indexes and column data stored in the database. These statistics are used by the query optimizer to choose the most efficient plan for retrieving or updating data.

## 4. What the Difference is between connect live and import all data and Import some data?

- Connect live – Creates a direct connect to your data. The speed of your data source will determine performance.
- Import all data – Imports the entire data source into Tableau's fast data engine as an extract. The extract is saved with the workbook.
- Import some data – Imports a subset of your data into Tableau's fast data engine as an extract. This option requires you to specify what data you want to extract using filters.

## 5. What is Ad-hoc Reports in tableau?

Actually Ad-hoc reports means on the spot based on the client requirement by connecting to live environment we can create reports these reports are called Ad-hoc reports.

#### 6. What is the Difference between quick filter and Normal filter in tableau?

Quick filter is used to view the filtering options and can be used to select the option. Normal filter is something you can limit the options from the list or use some conditions to limit the data by field or value.

#### 7. What is a filter?

Filter is used to restrict the data from database based on selected dimension or measure. If you drag a dimension into filter shelf you can filter the data by selecting list of values. When dragging by measure you can select a range of values.

#### 8. What is a quick filter?

Whatever you have applied filter, if you want to give a chance to user for dynamically changing data members at run time this is useful. In this you are able to see only non restricted data members only.

#### 9. Does Tableau Public work on a Mac?

Yes, the latest Version 8.2 of Tableau Desktop can be installed on Mac as well.

#### 10. How do you install Tableau?

Macintosh users can view Tableau Public content in their browser. Tableau Desktop Public Edition used for authoring content is a Windows application only. If you are using a Macintosh computer that has an Intel processor, you can use virtualization software such as VMware Fusion or Parallels Desktop to install Windows and run Tableau Desktop Public Edition. Alternatively, you can use a built-in utility called Boot Camp to install Windows and run the Tableau software.

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