

# Re: Hide SQL Server DB

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That's pretty hard to do.

You can deploy the application with SQL Server Express and lock down both the database and application so they'll need to jump through some hoops if they want to view it directly or copy it. However, since they do have the database and have control over the files, it's just a matter of skills (either SQL Server skills or Google skills) and time before they get in. The average user will probably not get far though.

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I would like to know if it's possible to embed a SQL Server 2000/2005 DB within a desktop application so that the end users cannot view the DB. Also, this will prevent them from copying the database on to their other SQL Servers.

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