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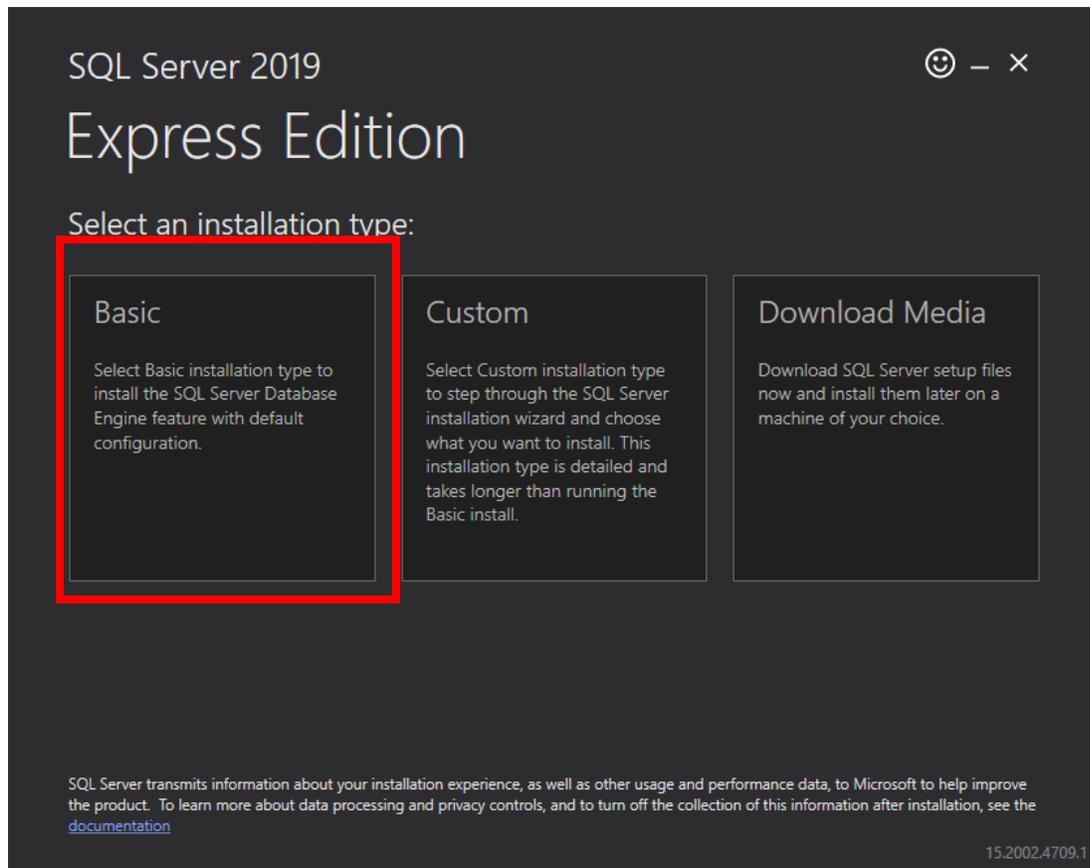**Updated – 9/7/2023**

Installing SQL Server Express
This documentation will assist users in installing SQL Server Express 2019 onto their computer and configure it correctly.

1. **Determine if you have administration rights on your machine. If you do not, this process will have to be completed by your system administrator.**

2. **Install SQL Server Express**
   a. For all Windows operating systems go to https://www.microsoft.com/en-US/download/details.aspx?id=101064.
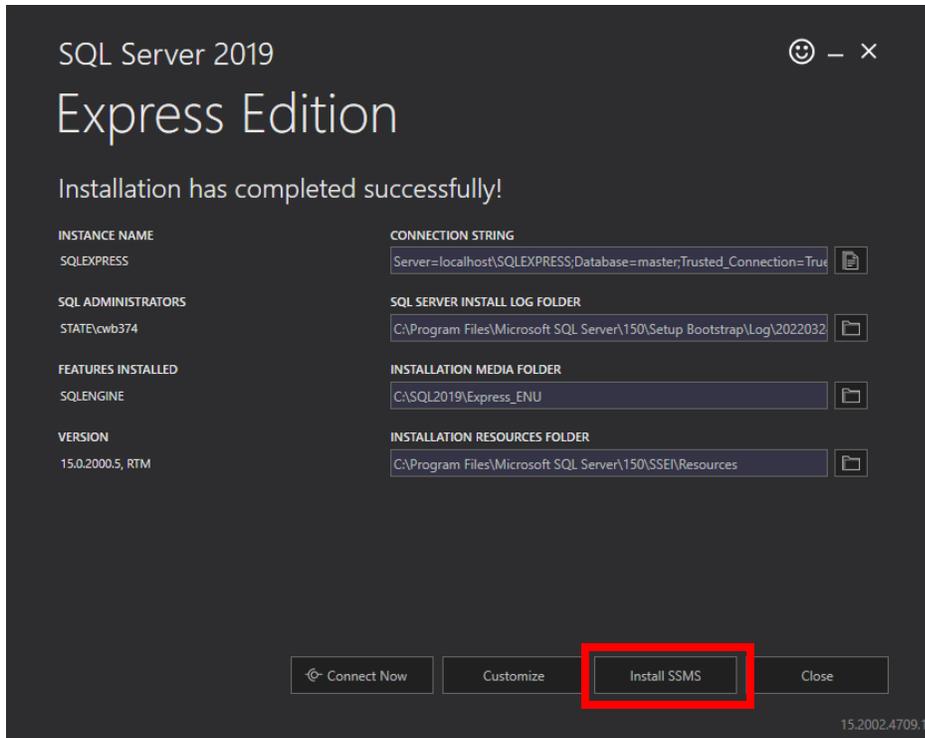

   b. Click Download and it'll either download the **SQL2019-SSEI-Expre.exe** automatically or you may have to save the .exe somewhere on your hard drive. The installation package selection page should appear next, similar to the screenshot below:

SQL Server 2019
Express Edition

Select an installation type:

Basic	Custom	Download Media
Select Basic installation type to install the SQL Server Database Engine feature with default configuration.	Select Custom installation type to step through the SQL Server installation wizard and choose what you want to install. This installation type is detailed and takes longer than running the Basic install.	Download SQL Server setup files now and install them later on a machine of your choice.

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c. Click the **Basic** package to start the install process.

d. Accept the license terms by clicking **Accept**.

e. It will next ask you the location in which you want to install SQL Server Express. Accept the default unless if you want the files in another location. Click **Install** to proceed. This installation process will take a few minutes.

f. Installation has completed successfully page will appear. Be sure to follow steps in #3 to **install SQL Server Management Studio (SMMS)**.

Install SQL Server Management Studio (SMMS)

a. Click **Install SSMS** in the last screen from installing SQL Server Express, as shown below:

b. By clicking on this button, it'll pull open a browser page to a microsoft.com page.

c. Click on "**Free Download for SQL Server Management Studio (SSMS 19.1)**" (the version of this SSMS software may differ).

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SQL Server Management Studio (SSMS) is an integrated environment for managing any SQL infrastructure, from SQL Server to Azure SQL Database. SSMS provides tools to configure, monitor, and administer instances of SQL Server and databases. Use SSMS to deploy, monitor, and upgrade the data-tier components used by your applications and build queries and scripts.

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⤓ Free Download for SQL Server Management Studio (SSMS) 19.1 ⧉

SSMS 19.1 is the latest general availability (GA) version. If you have a *preview* version of SSMS 19 installed, you should uninstall it before installing SSMS 19.1. If you have SSMS 19.x installed, installing SSMS 19.1 upgrades it to 19.1.

- Release number: 19.1
- Build number: 19.1.56.0
- Release date: May 24, 2023

d. The **SSMS-Setup-ENU.exe** should begin to download. The .exe may open automatically, or you may have to save the .exe somewhere on your hard drive and you'll have to double-click on the .exe file to run it.

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f. It will next ask where you want to install SMSS, it'll default to a directory on your C:\ drive, so change if you want the files in another location. Click **Install** to proceed. This installation process will take a few minutes.

g. Installation is completed for SSMS. Click **Close** to exit out of the installation process.

Contact Information

I'd like to thank you for going through this tutorial document and I hope you found it helpful. If you have any additional questions, feel free to reach out to me and I'd be happy to set up a teleconference meeting to answer your questions or to discuss potential solutions you may be experiencing. My contact information is below:

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