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**Test Results for SQLite Data Recovery Tool:**  
Oxygen Forensic SQLite Viewer v5.1.0.491

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## Introduction

The Computer Forensics Tool Testing (CFTT) program is a joint project of the Department of Homeland Security, Science and Technology Directorate (S&T), the National Institute of Justice (NIJ), and the National Institute of Standards and Technology Special Program Office (SPO) and Information Technology Laboratory (ITL). CFTT is supported by other organizations, including the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the U.S. Department of Defense Cyber Crime Center, U.S. Internal Revenue Service Criminal Investigation Division Electronic Crimes Program, and the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement, U.S. Customs and Border Protection and U.S. Secret Service. The objective of the CFTT program is to provide measurable assurance to practitioners, researchers, and other applicable users that the tools used in computer forensics investigations provide accurate results. Accomplishing this requires the development of specifications and test methods for computer forensics tools and subsequent testing of specific tools against those specifications.

Test results provide the information necessary for developers to improve tools, users to make informed choices, and the legal community and others to understand the tools' capabilities. The CFTT approach to testing computer forensics tools is based on well-recognized methodologies for conformance and quality testing. Interested parties in the computer forensics community can review and comment on the specifications and test methods posted on the CFTT Web site (<https://www.cftt.nist.gov/>).

This document reports the results from testing Oxygen Forensic SQLite Viewer v5.1.0.491 for SQLite data recovery including; displaying recovered SQLite database information, identifying, categorizing and reporting Write-Ahead Log (WAL), Rollback Journal data and sequence WAL journal data.

Test results from other tools can be found on the S&T-sponsored digital forensics web page, <https://www.dhs.gov/science-and-technology/nist-cftt-reports>.

## How to Read This Report

This report is divided into four sections. Section 1 identifies and provides a summary of any significant anomalies observed in the test runs. This section is sufficient for most readers to assess the suitability of the tool for the intended use. Section 2 lists testing environment and SQLite data objects used for testing. Section 3 provides an overview of the test case results reported by the tool.

# Test Results for SQLite Data Recovery

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## 1 Results Summary

Oxygen Forensic SQLite Viewer v5.1.0.491 was tested for its ability to report recovered SQLite database information. Except for the following anomalies, the tool was able to report and recover all supported data objects completely and accurately.

### *SQLite header parsing:*

- PRAGMA Foreign keys=OFF is not reported.

### *SQLite schema data reporting:*

- Binary Large Object (BLOB) data containing .heic graphic files are not displayed.

### *Recovered row metadata:*

- The tool does not specify updated records as modified.

### *NOTES:*

- Header results will remain consistent when journal\_mode is set to any of the following: DELETE, MEMORY, OFF, PERSIST or TRUNCATE. Oxygen Forensic SQLite Viewer reports journal mode for PERSIST and OFF as DELETE.
- Oxygen does not provide support for hashing imported SQLite files or associated (journal, WAL) files.

For more test result details see section 2.

## 2 Testing Environment

The tests were run in the NIST CFTT lab. This section describes the selected test execution environment, and the data objects populated for SQLite data recovery.

### 2.1 Execution Environment

Oxygen Forensic SQLite Viewer v5.1.0.491 was installed on Windows 10 Pro version 10.0.14393.

### 2.2 SQLite Data

Oxygen Forensic SQLite Viewer v5.1.0.491 was measured by its ability to report recovered SQLite database information. SQLite versions 3.19.0 (Android) and 3.32.3 (iOS) were used when creating the SQLite databases. These versions are the most current versions running on Android and iOS. Table 2 below defines the SQLite data tested per each test case.

Test Case	Data
SFT-01: SQLite header parsing	<i>Page Size (4096, 1024, 8192)</i>
	<i>Journal Mode Information (WAL, PERSIST, OFF)</i>
	<i>Number of Pages</i>
	<i>UTF-8</i>
	<i>UTF-16LE</i>
SFT-02: SQLite Schema Reporting	<i>UTF-16BE</i>
	<i>Table Names</i>
	<i>Column Names per Table</i>
SFT-03: SQLite Recoverable Rows	<i>Row Information per Table</i>
	<i>Source filename</i>
	<i>Row Status: Deleted</i>
SFT-04: SQLite Data Element Metadata	<i>Row Status: Modified</i>
	<i>Source filename</i>
	<i>Row Status: Deleted</i>
SFT-05: SQLite Schema Data Reporting	<i>Row Status: Modified</i>
	<i>Primary Key</i>
	<i>Int</i>
	<i>Float</i>
	<i>Text</i>
SFT-06: Recovered Row Metadata	<i>BLOB (bmp, gif, heic, jpg, pdf, png, tiff)</i>
	<i>Boolean</i>
	<i>Source Filename</i>
	<i>Row Status: Deleted</i>
	<i>Row Status: Modified</i>
	<i>File Offset, length</i>

Test Case	Data
SFT-07: SQLite Recovered Data Information	<i>Table name associated with Row</i>

**Table 1: SQLite Data Objects**

### 3 Test Results

This section provides the test case results reported by the tool. Section 3.1 identifies the PRAGMA journal mode (i.e., WAL, PERSIST, OFF), test cases and associated data checked within individual test cases.

Toolname was tested for its ability to report recovered SQLite database information.

The *Test Cases* column in sections 3.1 are comprised of two sub-columns that define a particular test category and individual sub-categories that are verified when testing. The results are as follows:

*As Expected:* the SQLite data recovery tool returned expected test results.

*Partial:* the SQLite data recovery tool returned some of data.

*Not As Expected:* the SQLite data recovery tool failed to return expected test results.

*Not Applicable (NA):* the tool does not provide support.

### 3.1 SQLite Data Recovery

SQLite data recovery was testing with Oxygen Forensic SQLite Viewer v5.1.0.491.

All test cases were successful with the exception of the following.

- Header information for SQLite files created with PRAGMA foreign keys=OFF is not reported.
- Graphic files of type heic and pdf are not displayed.
- The status of records that have been modified are not specified by the tool as “modified” records.

See Table 2 below for more details.

Oxygen Forensic SQLite Viewer v5.1.0.491				
Test Cases – SQLite Data Recovery		PRAGMA Journal Mode		
		WAL	PERSIST	OFF
SFT-01: Header Parsing	Page Size	As <i>Expected</i>	As <i>Expected</i>	As <i>Expected</i>
	Journal Mode Info	As <i>Expected</i>	As <i>Expected</i>	As <i>Expected</i>
	Number of Pages	As <i>Expected</i>	As <i>Expected</i>	As <i>Expected</i>
	UTF-8	As <i>Expected</i>	As <i>Expected</i>	As <i>Expected</i>
	UTF-16LE	As <i>Expected</i>	As <i>Expected</i>	As <i>Expected</i>
	UTF-16BE	As <i>Expected</i>	As <i>Expected</i>	As <i>Expected</i>
	Hash Value (MD5, SHA)	NA	NA	NA
SFT-02: Schema Reporting	Table Name	As <i>Expected</i>	As <i>Expected</i>	As <i>Expected</i>
	Column Name	As <i>Expected</i>	As <i>Expected</i>	As <i>Expected</i>
	Number of Rows	As <i>Expected</i>	As <i>Expected</i>	As <i>Expected</i>
SFT-03: Recoverable Rows	Deleted	As <i>Expected</i>	As <i>Expected</i>	As <i>Expected</i>
	Modified	As <i>Expected</i>	As <i>Expected</i>	As <i>Expected</i>
SFT-04:	Deleted	As <i>Expected</i>	As <i>Expected</i>	As <i>Expected</i>

Oxygen Forensic SQLite Viewer v5.1.0.491				
Test Cases – SQLite Data Recovery		PRAGMA Journal Mode		
		WAL	PERSIST	OFF
<b>Data Element Metadata Reporting (Source filename)</b>	Modified	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected
<b>SFT-05: Schema Data Reporting</b>	Primary Key	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected
	Int	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected
	Float	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected
	Text	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected
	BLOB Data: .bmp	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected
	BLOB data: .gif	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected
	BLOB Data: .heic	Not As Expected	Not As Expected	Not As Expected
	BLOB data: .jpg	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected
	BLOB data: .pdf	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected
	BLOB data: .png	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected
	Boolean	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected
<b>SFT-06: Recovered Row Metadata</b>	Source Filename	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected
	Status: Modified	Not As Expected	Not As Expected	Not As Expected
	Status: Deleted	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected
<b>SFT-07: Recovered Data Info</b>	File offset	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected
	Recovered Row - Table Name	As Expected	As Expected	As Expected

Table 2: SQLite Data Recovery