

# GPDB 5.x PSQL Quick Reference

## General

```
\copyright  
\g [FILE] or ;  
\h [NAME]  
\q
```

## Query Buffer

```
\e [FILE]  
\ef [FUNCNAME]  
\p  
\r  
\s [FILE]  
\w FILE
```

edit the query buffer (or file) with external editor  
edit function definition with external editor  
show the contents of the query buffer  
reset (clear) the query buffer  
display history or save it to file  
write query buffer to file

## Input/Output

```
\copy ...  
  
\echo [STRING]  
\i FILE  
\o [FILE]  
\qecho [STRING]
```

perform SQL COPY with data stream to the client host  
write string to standard output  
execute commands from file  
send all query results to file or |pipe  
write string to query output stream (see \o)

## Formatting

```
\a  
\c [STRING]  
\f [STRING]  
\h  
\pset NAME [VALUE]  
  
\t [on|off]  
\t [STRING]  
\x [on|off]
```

toggle between unaligned and aligned output mode  
set table title, or unset if none  
show or set field separator for unaligned query output  
toggle HTML output mode  
set table output option (NAME := {format | border  
| expanded | fieldsep | footer | null |  
numericlocale | recordsep | tuples\_only |  
title | tableattr | pager})  
show only rows  
set HTML <table> tag attributes, or unset if none  
toggle expanded output

## Connection

```
\c[onnect] [DBNAME |  
- USER | - HOST | - PORT |  
-]  
\encoding [ENCODING]  
\password [USERNAME]  
\conninfo
```

## Variables

```
\prompt [TEXT] NAME  
\set [NAME [VALUE]]  
\unset NAME
```

prompt user to set internal variable  
set internal variable, or list all if no parameters  
unset (delete) internal variable

## Informational

(options: S = show system objects, + = additional detail)

```
\d[S+]  
\d[S+] NAME  
\da [S] [PATTERN]  
\db [+] [PATTERN]  
\dc [S] [PATTERN]  
\dC [PATTERN]  
\dd [S] [PATTERN]  
\ddp [PATTERN]  
\dD [S] [PATTERN]  
\des [+] [PATTERN]  
\deu [+] [PATTERN]  
\dew [+] [PATTERN]  
\dE [PATTERN]  
\df [antw] [S+] [PATTERN]  
\dF [+] [PATTERN]  
\dFd [+] [PATTERN]  
\dFp [+] [PATTERN]  
\dg [+] [PATTERN]  
\dT [+] [PATTERN]  
\di [S+] [PATTERN]  
\dl  
\do [S] [PATTERN]  
\dp [PATTERN]  
\dr [S+] [PATTERN]  
\drds [PATTERN1 [PATTERN2]]  
\ds [S+] [PATTERN]  
\dt [S+] [PATTERN]  
\dT [S+] [PATTERN]  
\du [+] [PATTERN]  
\dv [S+] [PATTERN]  
\dx [+] [PATTERN]  
\l [+] [PATTERN]  
\z [PATTERN]
```

list tables, views, and sequences  
describe table, view, sequence, or index  
list aggregates  
list tablespaces  
list conversions  
list casts  
show comments on objects  
list default privileges  
list domains  
list foreign servers  
list user mappings  
list foreign-data wrappers  
list external tables  
list [only agg/normal/trigger/window] functions  
list text search configurations  
list text search dictionaries  
list text search parsers  
list roles (groups)  
list text search templates  
list indexes  
list large objects, same as \lo\_list  
list operators  
list table, view, and sequence access privileges  
list foreign tables  
list per-database role settings  
list sequences  
list tables  
list data types  
list roles (users)  
list views  
list installed extensions  
list all databases  
same as \dp

## Operating System

```
\cd [DIR]  
\timing [on|off]  
\! [COMMAND]
```

change the current working directory  
toggle timing of commands  
execute command in shell or start interactive shell

## Large Objects

```
\lo_export LOBOID FILE  
\lo_import FILE [COMMENT]  
\lo_list  
\lo_unlink LOBOID
```

Large Object Operations