

Convert2Database V1.0

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User manual

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1 Convert2Database

1.1 Introduction

Convert2Database allows you to convert MetaStock files to Microsoft Access database files and vice versa. The Convert2Database Conversion Wizard guides you through the steps to convert your historical price data files. The program has friendly wizard style interface, which helps you easily convert from:

- Metastock to a database file (e.g. MS Access, SQL Server)
- Database file to Metastock format files

More features:

- Supports all MetaStock formats (Version 6.52, 8.0, 9.0 and 10.0 (6000 securities per directory))
- EOD and intraday MetaStock files can be used
- SQL Statements can be created



Figure 1: Main Window

In the main window (Figure 1) you have to specify whether to convert MetaStock files to a database file or vice versa.

1.2 Convert MetaStock Data Files to MS Access Database Files

If you select the “MetaStock to MS Access database file” option, following dialog (Figure 2) will appear:

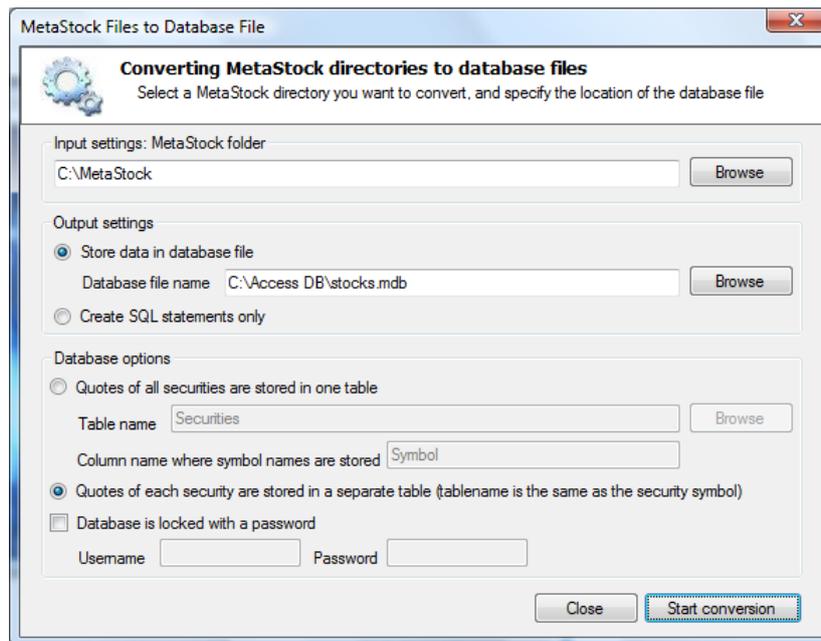


Figure 2: "MetaStock Files to Database File" Dialog

First you have to define the folder that contains the MetaStock data files. You can do that by clicking on the "Browse" button. Alternatively, you can also enter the directory name directly in the text box.

The next step is to specify the output settings. You can select whether to store the data in a database file or create SQL statements (Figure 3) for all price data records.

```
INSERT INTO MSFT VALUES (20070516, 0, 31, 31.09, 30.81, 31.07);
INSERT INTO MSFT VALUES (20070517, 0, 31.03, 31.14, 30.96, 30.98);
INSERT INTO MSFT VALUES (20070518, 0, 30.97, 30.99, 30.58, 30.83, 5);
```

Figure 3: SQL Statements

These SQL statements can be used in all programs supporting SQL.

If you select the "Store data in database file" then you have to select the location of the database file. You can do that by clicking on the "Browse" button. If the database file does not exist then you have to enter a name of the database. The program will create the new database file automatically.

Afterwards, you have to specify whether to store the price data records of all securities in one table, or create a separate table for each symbol. If you want to store all securities in one table then you have to specify a column name that contains the names of all securities. The program will create tables with following order: Date, Time, Symbol (optionally), Open, High, Low, Close, Volume)

1.3 Convert MS Access Database Files to MetaStock Data Files

If you select the "MS Access database file to MetaStock" option, following dialog (Figure 2) will appear:

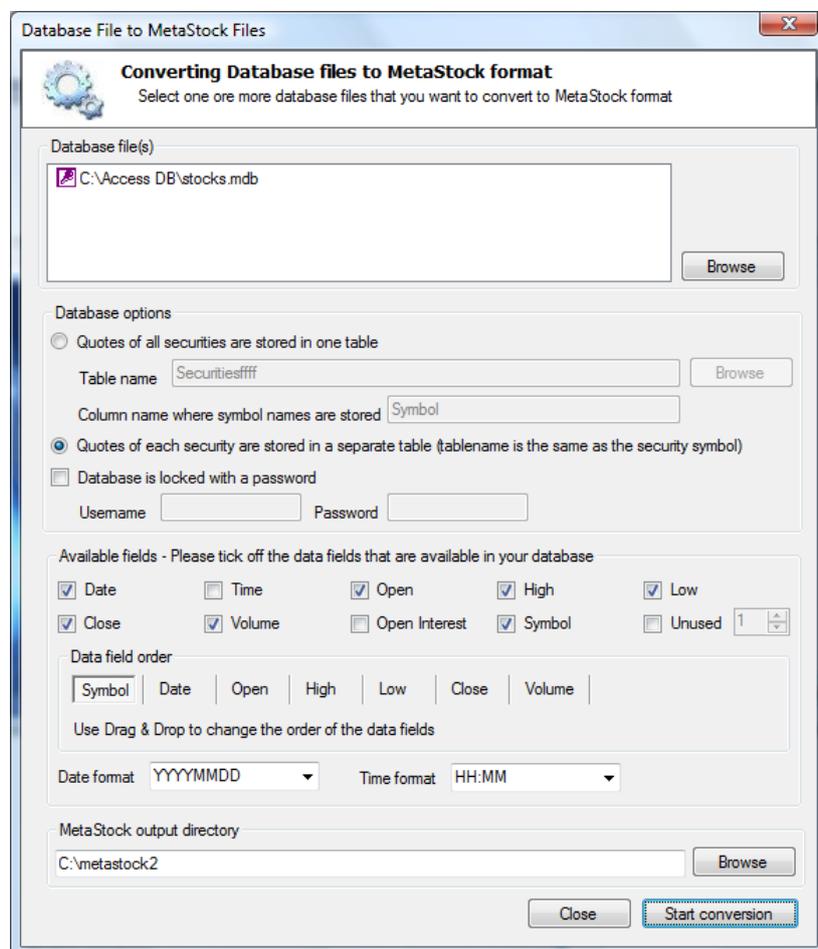


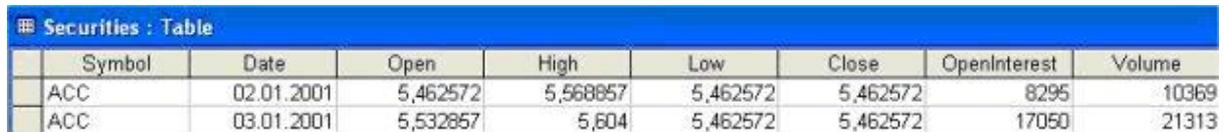
Figure 4: "Database File to MetaStock Files" dialog

First, you have to specify one or more database files that you want to convert to MetaStock. Afterwards, you have to select whether the price records of all securities are stored in one table, or a separate table for each symbol exists. If all securities are stored in one table then you have to enter the name of the column that contains the security names or symbols.

If your database is locked with a password you have to tick off the option "Database is locked with a password". Afterwards, you have to enter your user name and password.

Secondly, you have to define the fields that are available in your database file. Tick the checkboxes corresponding to the data field which you want to include. You can change the field order using drag & drop.

If your table looks like the table in Figure 5 then you have to tick off the fields "Symbol", "Date", "Open", "High", "Low", "Close", "OpenInterest", "Volume".



Symbol	Date	Open	High	Low	Close	OpenInterest	Volume
ACC	02.01.2001	5,462572	5,568857	5,462572	5,462572	8295	10369
ACC	03.01.2001	5,532857	5,604	5,462572	5,462572	17050	21313

Figure 5: Database table

It does not matter if the fields have other names than "Open", "High" etc. You can give them any name you want. It is only important that you have selected all fields that are available and that they are in a correct order.

Finally, you have to specify a directory where the MetaStock files should be stored. To start the conversion process, click on the "Start conversion" button. After the process has finished you can use any program that supports MetaStock format to read the MetaStock files created by Convert2Database

2 Registration and Price Information

Product price (one time payment, free updates): 59.95 EURO

This copy of Convert2Database is available for a 14 days evaluation period. If you decide to continue using the program, you need to register the program by using one of the methods described below. By registering the software, you are able to continue using it legally, and are supporting our efforts to continually develop innovative products to best serve your needs. If you order via credit card you receive the fully registered version of Convert2Database within 5 minutes.

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2.1 Upgrade

If you are a registered user of Convert2Database you may upgrade at no charge to any newer release. Just download the latest release of Convert2Database and install it.

If the registration code is no longer present on your system just re-enter it like the first time and restart the program.

If for any reason your registration code becomes invalid or lost just send an e-mail to <mailto:info@trading-tools.com> together with the details of your previous registration. You will receive a new code via e-mail at no charge.

3 Contact

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