# **Full-Text Indexes, Catalogs, and Search**

A full-text index stores all the full-text words and their locations for a given table. A full-text catalog stores the full-text index of a database. The full-text service performs the full-text querying.

## Full-Text Search Service Properties, General Tab

This section shows the options and their functions available on the **General** tab of the **Full-Text Search Properties** dialog box.

#### **Service status**

Displays the current status of the full-text search service. Click **Refresh** to get the latest status.

## **Default location of catalog files**

Displays the default directory location for full-text catalog files. SQL Server Setup determines this location, making it a read-only property. However, an administrator can override this location when creating a full-text catalog.

## **Location of temporary files**

Displays the directory location for temporary files. This property is established at setup and is read-only.

## Location of error log files

Displays the directory location for error log files. This property is established at setup and is read-only.

# New Full-Text Catalog Properties, New Full-Text Catalog Tab

This section shows the options and functions available on the **New Full-Text Catalog** tab of the **New Full-Text Catalog Properties** dialog box.

#### Name

Display and set the display name for a full-text catalog.

#### Location

Display and override the default full-text catalog location established during setup and displayed on the **General** tab.

## **New Full-Text Catalog Properties, Schedules Tab**

Use to create full or incremental population schedules for the current full-text catalog. Each row represents a full or incremental population schedule. You can assign one or more full or incremental population schedules, or a combination of full-population times and incremental population times, to a full-text catalog. To modify a schedule, double-click the schedule, or select the schedule and click **Edit**. To add a schedule, click **New Schedule**. To delete a schedule, select the schedule and click **Delete**.

# **Full-Text Catalog Properties, Status Tab**

This section shows the options and their functions available on the **Status** tab of the **Full-Text Catalog Properties** dialog box.

#### Name

Display the friendly name of the catalog. It is read-only.

#### Location

Display the root directory location of this catalog. It is read-only.

#### **Physical catalog**

Display the on-disk catalog name. It is read-only.

#### **Status**

Display the current population status of this catalog. The display can be updated by clicking the **Refresh** button. It is read-only.

The value is one of the following:

- Idle
- Full population in progress
- Paused
- Throttled
- Recovering
- Shutdown
- Incremental population in progress

- Building index
- Disk is full. Paused
- Change tracking

#### Item count

Display the number of tables and rows indexed in this full-text catalog. It is read-only.

## **Catalog size**

Display the size in MB of the full-text catalog. It is read-only.

#### **Unique key count**

Display the count of unique nonnoise words indexed in the full-text catalog. It is read-only.

## Last population date

Display the date and time this full-text catalog was last populated.

**Note** If a population is stopped immediately after starting, the Last population date will contain the date the population was started, even though it did not finish successfully.

# **Full-Text Search Catalog Properties, Tables Tab**

This section shows the options and their functions available on the **Tables** tab of the **Full-Text Search Catalog Properties** dialog box.

#### **Table**

Displays the tables configured for full-text indexing using this full-text catalog.

## Full-text indexing enabled

Displays for each table whether the full-text index is active and can be queried.

# Full-Text Catalog Properties/Full-Text Indexing, Schedules Tab

Use to view or modify the list of full or incremental population schedules for the current full-text catalog. Each row represents a full or incremental population schedule. You can assign one or more full or incremental population schedules to a full-text catalog. To modify a schedule, double-click the schedule, or select the schedule and click **Edit**. To add a schedule, click **New Schedule**. To delete a schedule, select the schedule and click **Delete**.

## **New/Edit Full-Text Indexing Schedules**

You can create or modify a full or incremental population schedule for the current full-text catalog. This section shows the options and their functions available in the **New** (or **Edit**) **Full-Text Indexing Schedules** dialog boxes.

#### Name

Display or modify the name of the schedule.

#### **Enabled**

Display or modify the enabled status of the selected schedule.

### Job type (Full/Incremental)

Specify either a full or incremental population job type. Full population rebuilds all entries in the full-text catalog. Incremental population updates entries in the full-text catalog for tables with timestamped rows.

## Start automatically when SQL Server Agent starts

Start the scheduled population automatically when SQL Server Agent starts.

#### One time

Start the scheduled population one time at the specified date and time.

#### On date

Specify the date on which you want the population to start.

#### At time

Specify the time at which you want the population to start.

## Recurring

Start the scheduled population according to the displayed schedule information.

## Change

Change the current recurring job schedule.

## **Table Properties, Full-Text Indexing Tab**

This section shows the options and their functions available on the **Full-Text Indexing** tab of the **Table Properties** dialog box.

#### **Full-text index status**

Indicates whether the full-text index for this table is active or inactive. An active full-text index supports full-text queries.

### **Full-text catalog**

Displays the name of the full-text catalog containing the full-text index for this table. You can find this full-text catalog in the Full-Text Catalog folder of this table's database.

#### Full-text unique key column

Displays the column name of the unique key used to identify table rows in the full-text index.

## Full-text unique key index

Displays the index of the unique key used to identify table rows in the full-text index.

## **Full-text change-tracking**

Indicates whether full-text change-tracking is enabled for this table.

## Full-text update-index

Indicates whether full-text update-index is enabled for this table.

#### **Columns**

Displays the columns of this table. Textual columns selected to participate in full-text indexing are checked.