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This page contains information about creating, listing, and deleting PostgreSQL databases on a Cloud SQL instance.

For more information about PostgreSQL databases, see the [PostgreSQL documentation](https://www.postgresql.org/docs/9.6/static/managing-databases.html) (https://www.postgresql.org/docs/9.6/static/managing-databases.html).

Before completing the tasks on this page, you must have:

- Created a Cloud SQL instance. For more information, see [Creating instances](#) (/sql/docs/postgres/create-instance).

If you plan to use the psql client to create or manage your databases, you must have:

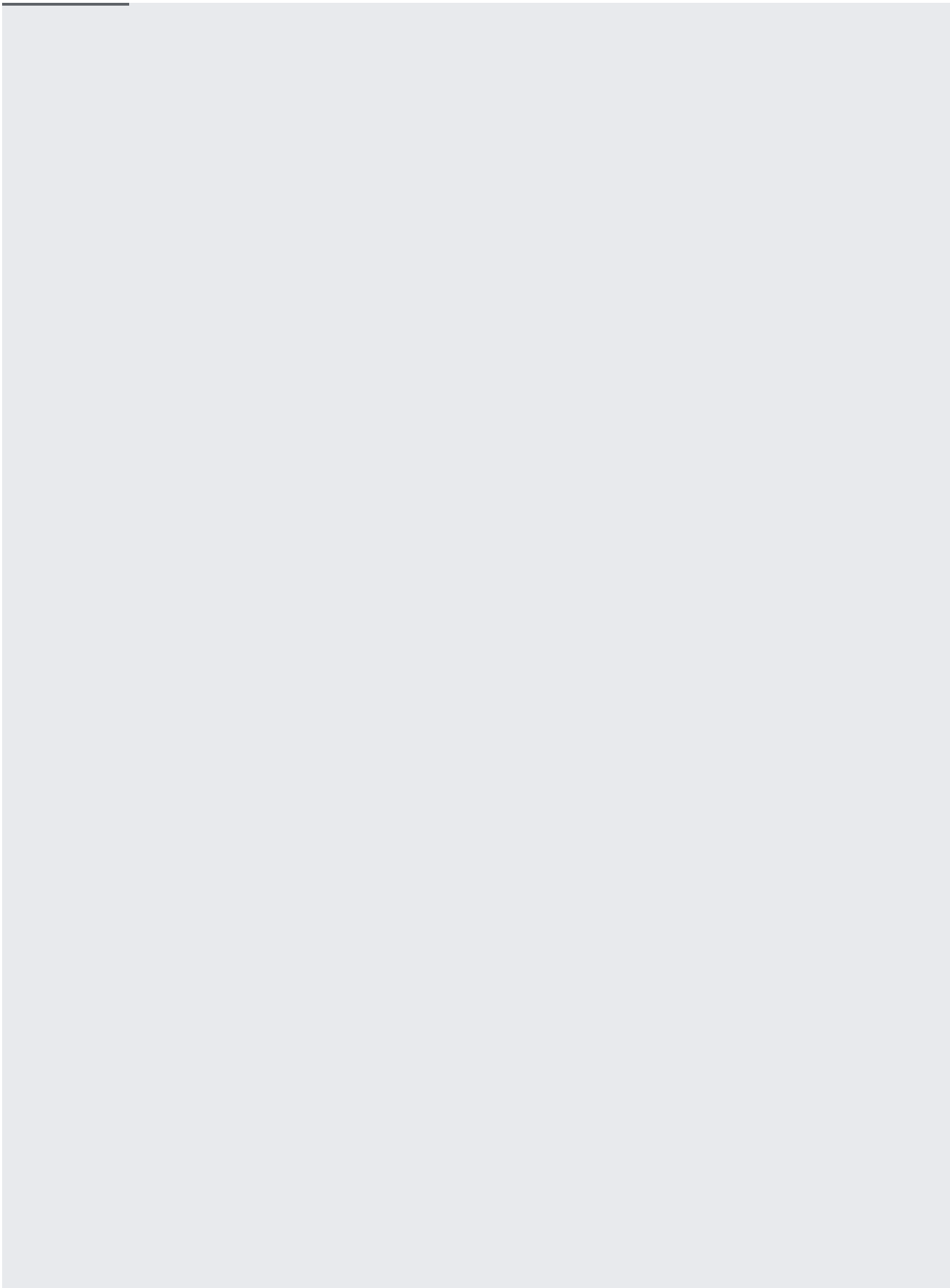
- Configured access and connected to the instance with a psql client. For more information about connection options, see [Connection Options for External Applications](#) (/sql/docs/postgres/external-connection-methods).

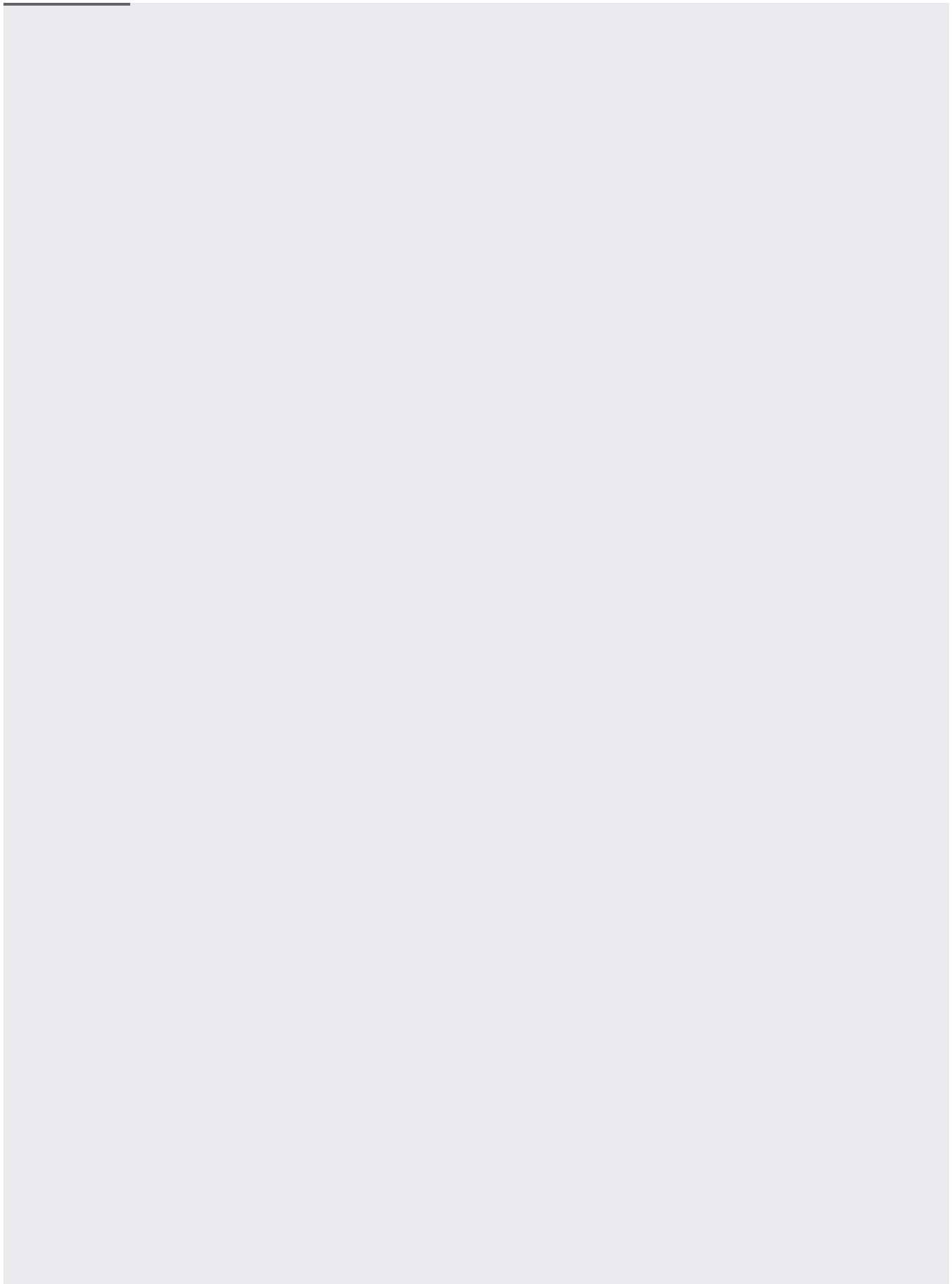
Follow the rules in [Identifiers and Key Words](#)

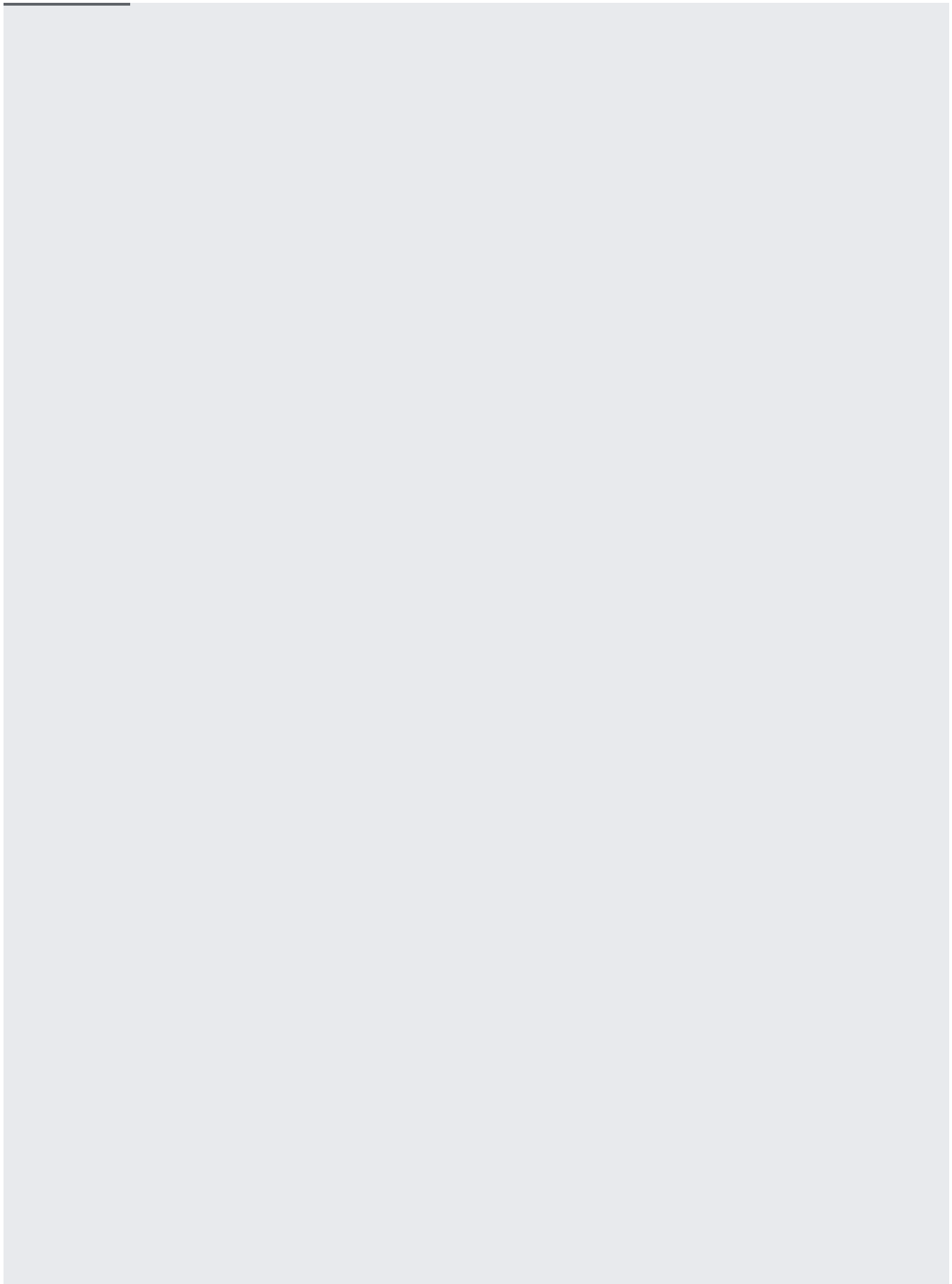
(https://www.postgresql.org/docs/9.6/static/sql-syntax-lexical.html#SQL-SYNTAX-IDENTIFIERS) when you create your database name. If not set on creation, new databases have the following default values:

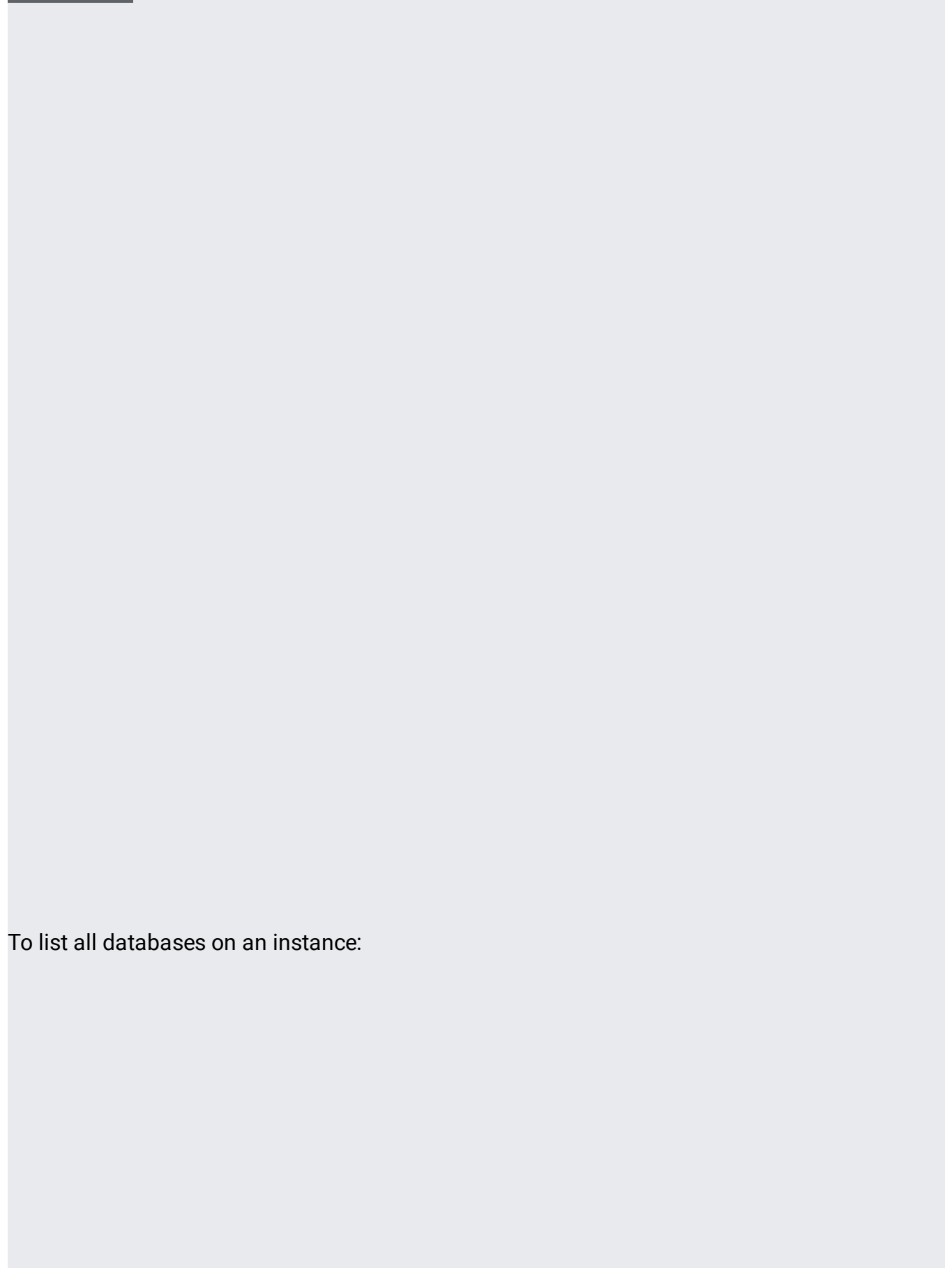
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To create a database on the Cloud SQL instance:

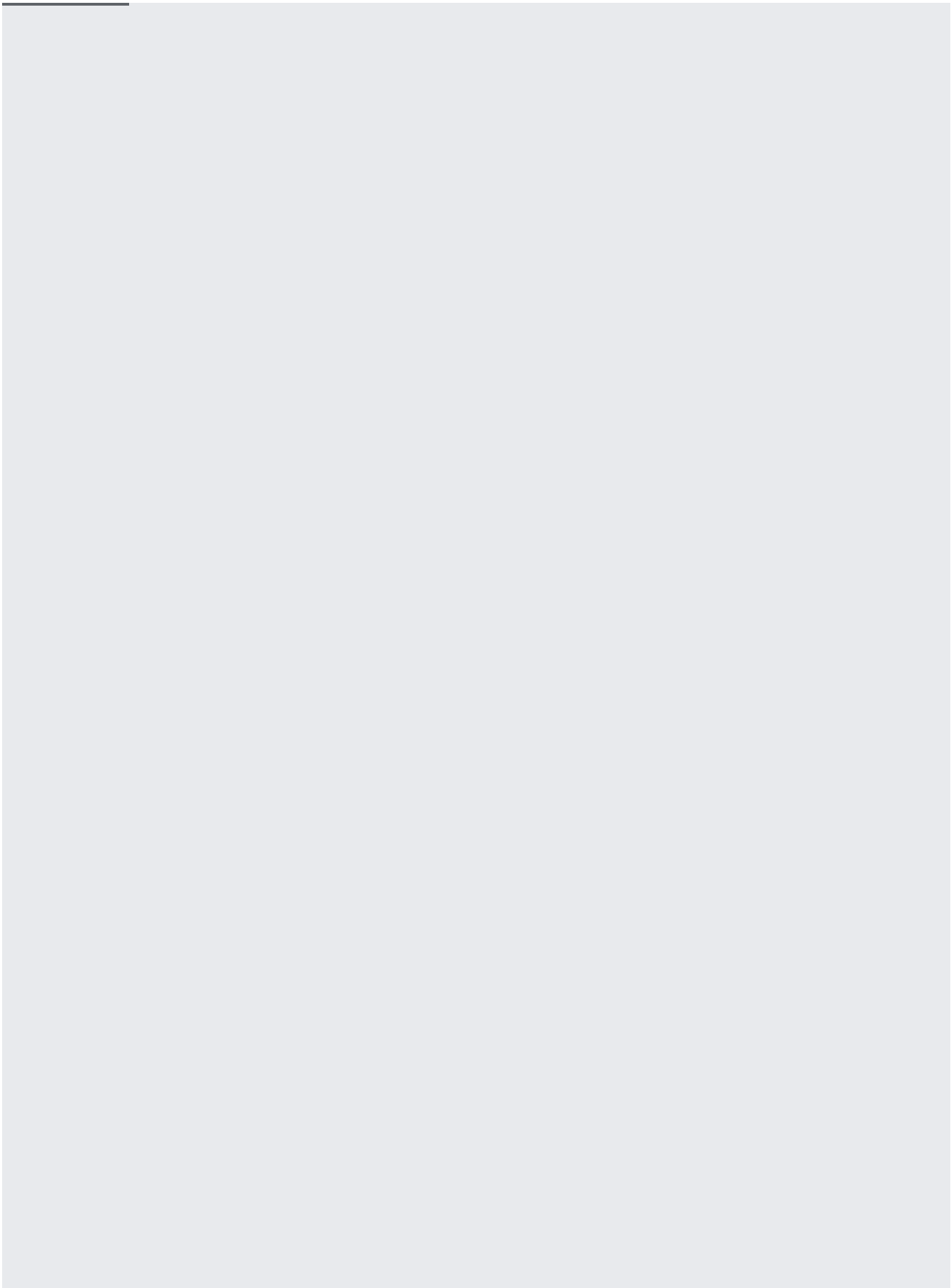


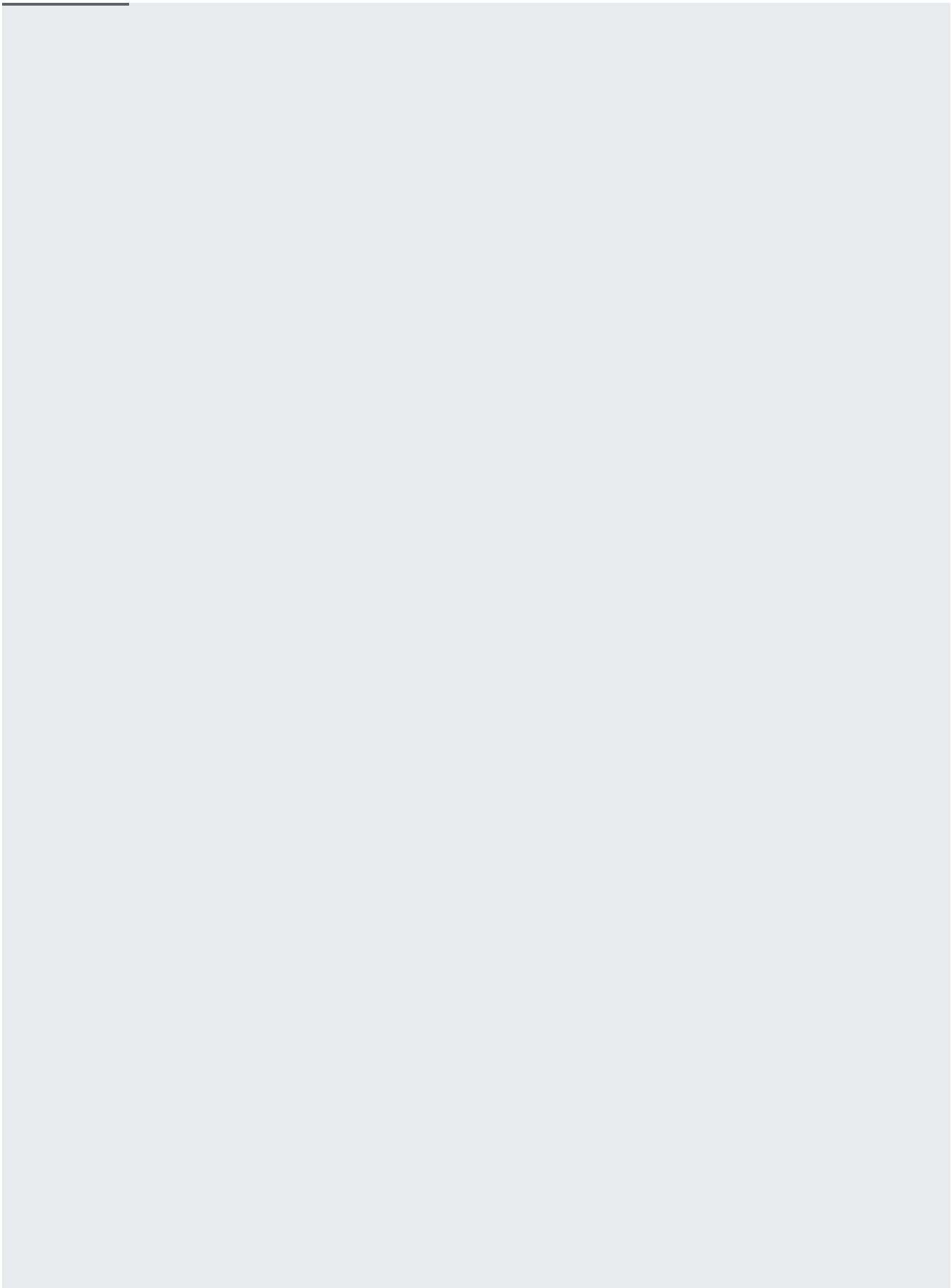






To list all databases on an instance:

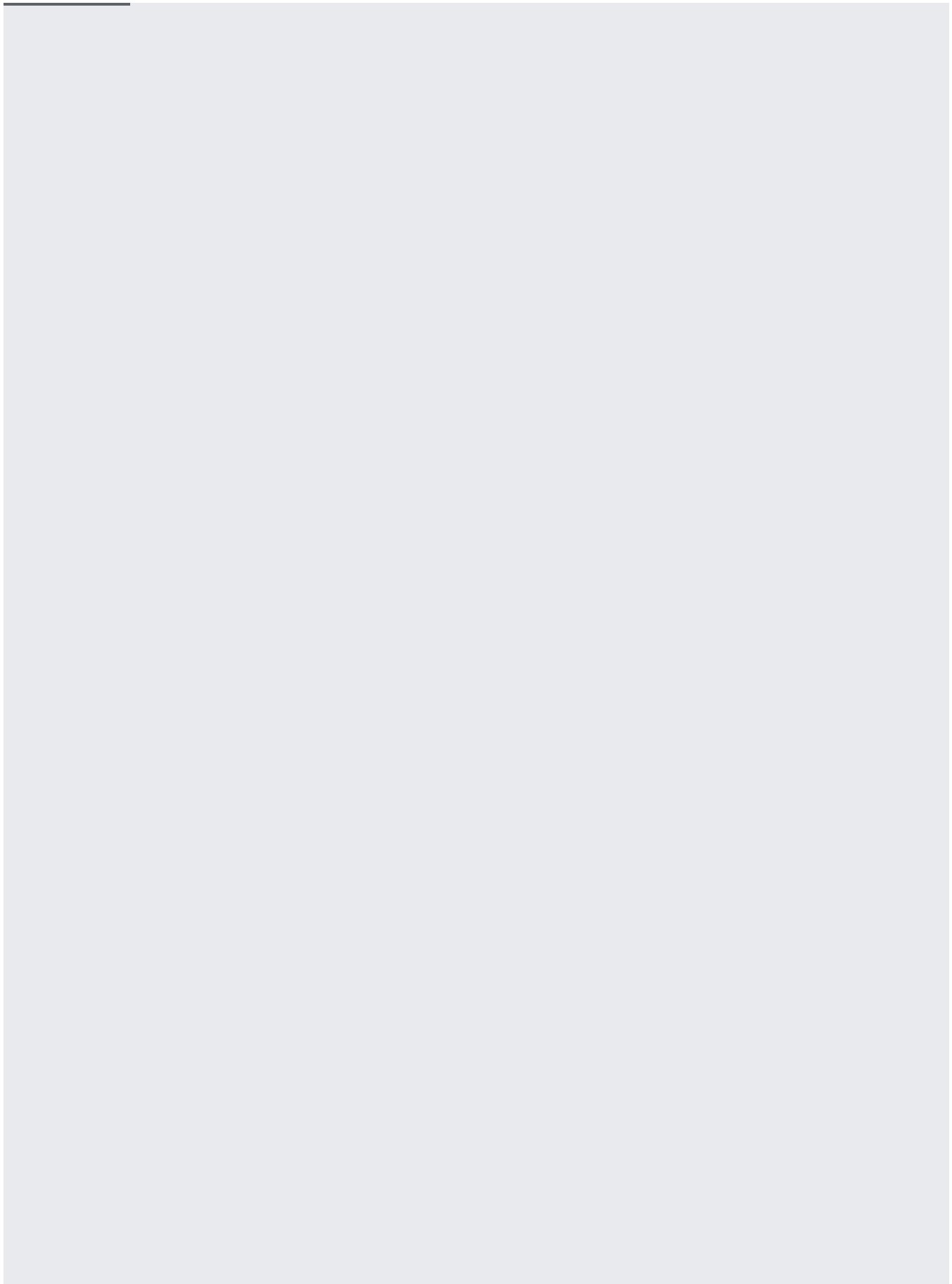


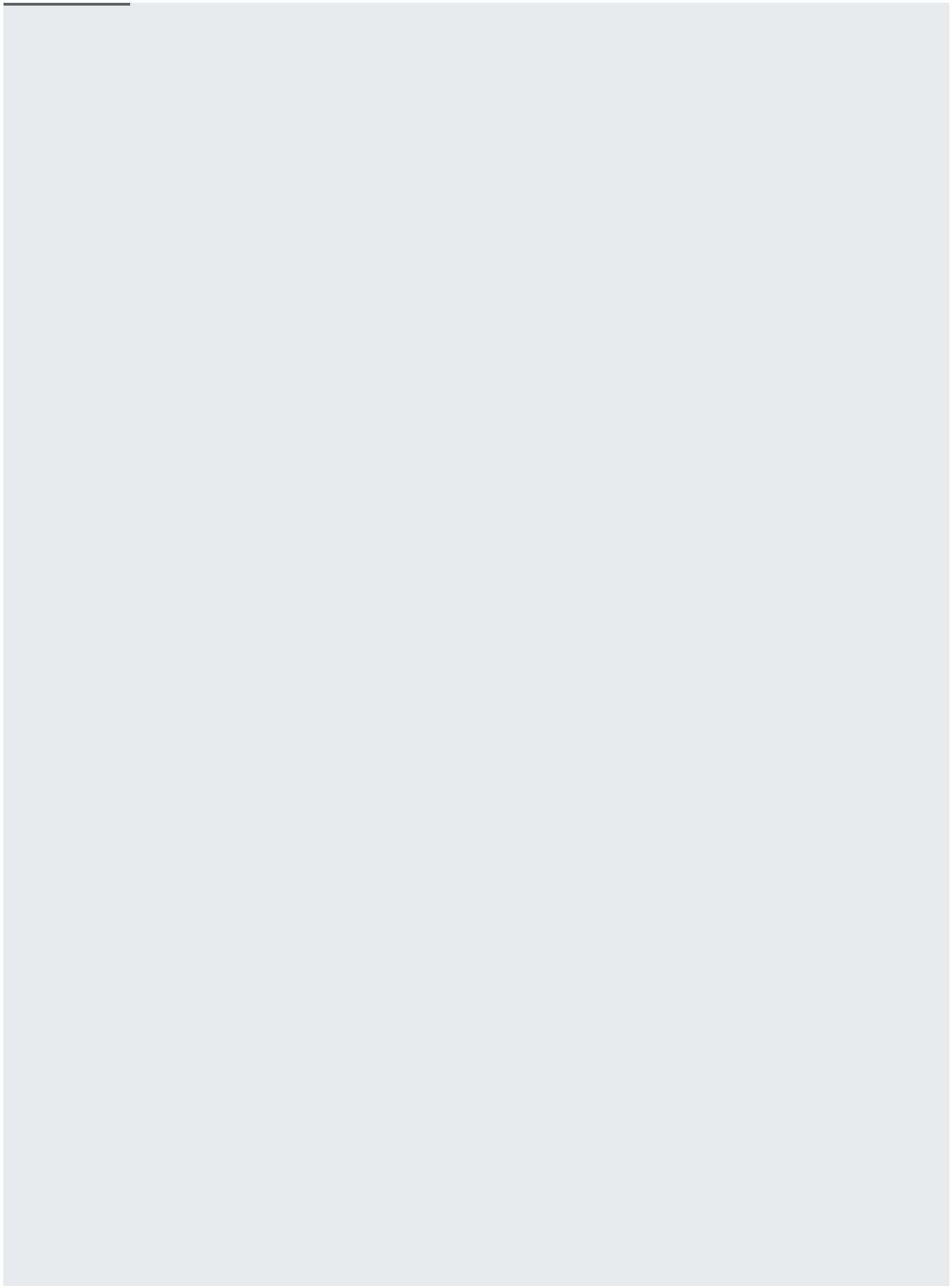




To delete a database on the Cloud SQL instance:







- [Manage users](/sql/docs/postgres/create-manage-users) (/sql/docs/postgres/create-manage-users) for your instance.
- [Import data](/sql/docs/postgres/import-export/importing) (/sql/docs/postgres/import-export/importing) into your instance.
- Learn about [options for connecting to your instance using the psql client](/sql/docs/postgres/external-connection-methods) (/sql/docs/postgres/external-connection-methods).
- [Create a database table](https://www.postgresql.org/docs/9.6/static/sql-createtable.html) (https://www.postgresql.org/docs/9.6/static/sql-createtable.html).

