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This feature is in a pre-release state and might change or have limited support. For more information, see the [product launch stages](https://cloud.google.com/products/#product-launch-stages) (<https://cloud.google.com/products/#product-launch-stages>).

Warning: All data on an instance, including backups, is permanently lost when that instance is deleted. To preserve your data, [export it to Cloud Storage](https://cloud.google.com/sql/docs/sqlserver/import-export/exporting) (<https://cloud.google.com/sql/docs/sqlserver/import-export/exporting>) before you delete it.

Deleting an instance

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1. Go to the Cloud SQL Instances page in the Google Cloud Console.

[GO TO THE CLOUD SQL INSTANCES PAGE \(HTTPS://CONSOLE.CLOUD.GOOGLE.COM/SQL/INSTANCES\)](https://console.cloud.google.com/sql/instances)

2. Select an instance to delete by clicking the instance name.

3. Click **Delete**.

4. In the **Delete database instance** dialog box, click **OK**.

To see how the [underlying REST API request](#)

(<https://cloud.google.com/sql/docs/sqlserver/admin-api/rest/v1beta4/instances/delete>) is constructed for this task, see the [APIs Explorer on the instances:delete page](#)

(<https://cloud.google.com/sql/docs/sqlserver/admin-api/rest/v1beta4/instances/delete>).

Notes:

- After you delete an instance, it might continue to appear in your project with an "unknown" size but with a "Being deleted" status. This is normal and the instance should disappear completely after a brief period of time.
- You cannot reuse an instance name for up to a week after you have deleted an instance.

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