

## ORA-00257: archiver error

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### Description:

You get this message doing util f 4, SQL commands, or any kind of access of any Oracle table:.

Oracle error: handle\_connection.

ORA-00257: archiver error. Connect internal only, until freed. Why?

### Resolution:

This message occurs when the space in the filesystem the Oracle archive log files (./oradata/alephnn/arch) reside on is (as seen in "df -h") at 100%. This causes the database to be "on hold" until it can write to the archive directory.

Deleting files from this filesystem (to increase the %Available), moving files to a different filesystem, or adding disk space to the filesystem will correct the problem.

Note: the archive log files themselves should *\*not\** be deleted -- especially if they are managed by RMAN, which is very particular about the removal of such files. RMAN *\*will\** automatically remove the files, as appropriate, such as when a cold backup occurs.

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