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## Voyager MarcExport best practices, timing and space considerations

- **Product:** Voyager
  - **Relevant for Installation Type:** Multi-Tenant Direct, Dedicated-Direct, Local, TotalCare
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### Question

I want to export our entire database. Are there best practices or other considerations?

### Answer

**TIMING:** Depends on the size of your database. Try exporting a reasonably sized subset of records and analyze the time it takes, apply those results to total number of records.

**SPACE:** For very large databases, exporting in several ranges of record IDs is recommended (i.e., -mR -tNNNN-NNNN (where NNNN is the bib\_id; for example -t1-20000 would export bib\_ids 1-20000). As with timing, export X number of records will allow estimate of how large files will be for total number of records.

**BEST PRACTICES:** For large jobs consider running during non-peak hours. Keep an eye on your available disk space so you do not run out of space.

### Additional Information

See the [Technical User's Guide](#) for a full explanation of the Bulk Export of MARC records.

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