

Salesforce Sales Cloud - Querying Numeric Fields

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When querying for numeric field values in Salesforce Sales Cloud, there is an important aspect of the vendor functionality to keep in mind. If you attempt to query for a field value that is technically larger than type `integer` can store then you will receive an error "For input string" and no records are returned.

The reason for this error is that in Salesforce queries an `integer` cannot be bigger than $2^{31}-1$ (2,147,483,647); Salesforce queries (SOQL) interpret field values up to $2^{31}-1$ as 'numbers', but values from 2^{31} and greater are regarded as strings. This is an aspect of Salesforce query functionality, but fortunately there is a workaround that you can use. To get Salesforce to accept your query for these large field values, you must append `.0` to the end of the value, which defines the value as type `decimal`, which can be up to $2^{63}-1$, and your query will be interpreted by SOQL as a number instead of a string.

For example: When querying numeric field values in a SFDC endpoint you should use a query such as ``where customField__TicketID__c=7010965773.0`` when the field value is greater than $2^{31}-1$.
