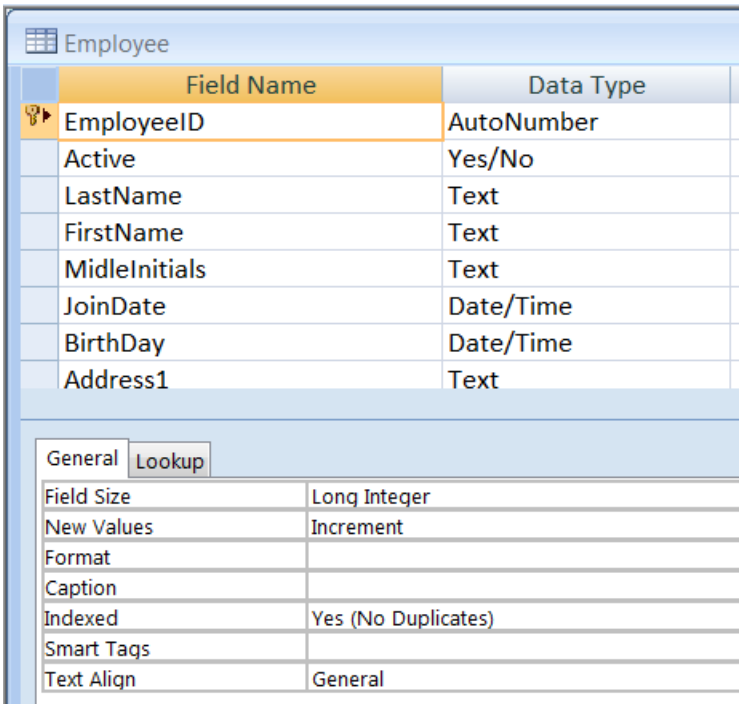
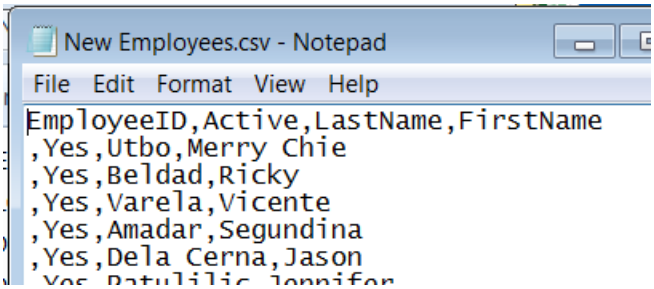
Background:

I am attempting to load an ACCESS 2007 table with data. In the existing ACCESS databse it is named Employee. I have attached a screenshot below. EmployeeID field is primary key, type Integer, and Active field is type boolean. The rest are Text or Date.



I started with a totally empty Employee table in the ACCESS database. I tried, numerous times unsuccessfully, to load data by IMPORTing from a CSV file. A screenshot of a portion of the actual data in the CSV:



What is shown in the above is one of several failed attempts using the “Import from CSV” approach. In the above, I left the EmployeeID (primary key) empty, based on one blog expert’s suggestion. I also tried importing only the 3 other fields, i.e., without the EmployeeID, all without success.

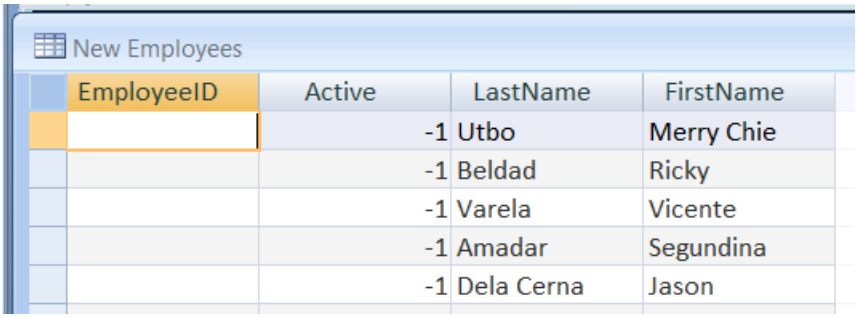
Further searches led me to the following Microsoft article:

https://support.office.com/en-us/article/add-records-to-a-table-by-using-an-append-query-98a5bd66-2190-4243-9638-8ef649cf3596

and a few other blogs that seem to agree on using the “Append query” approach for populating data to an existing ACCESS database table. In fact, one blog expert stated that this is the only way to either partially (i.e., some fields only) populate the table, or to deal with an Autonumber field without speifcying its value, i.e., ACCESS would take care of it. I went about implementing the Append Query.

I understood the Microsoft article to mean that my data source must also be an existing ACCESS database table before it can be imported to the destination table in a specific database. So the first step for me was to create a table (in the

same database) that resembled the CSV file data, as well as the destination Employee table (which already exists, but is empty). The result of this step – is the **New Employees** table (in the same database):

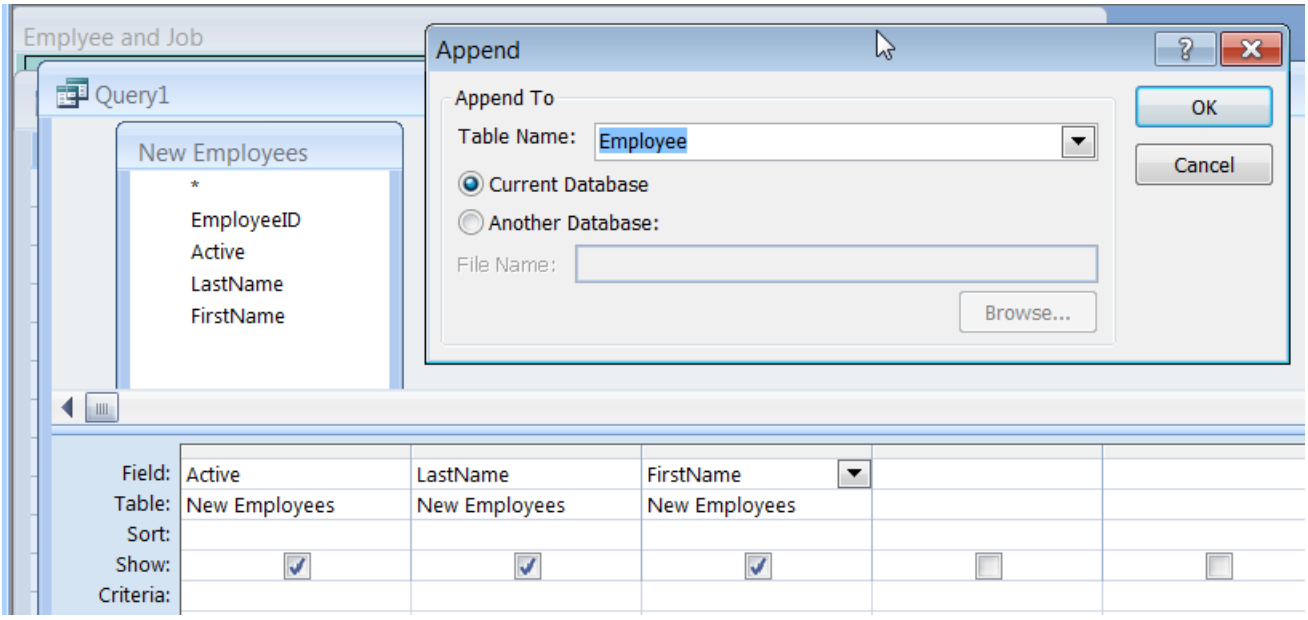


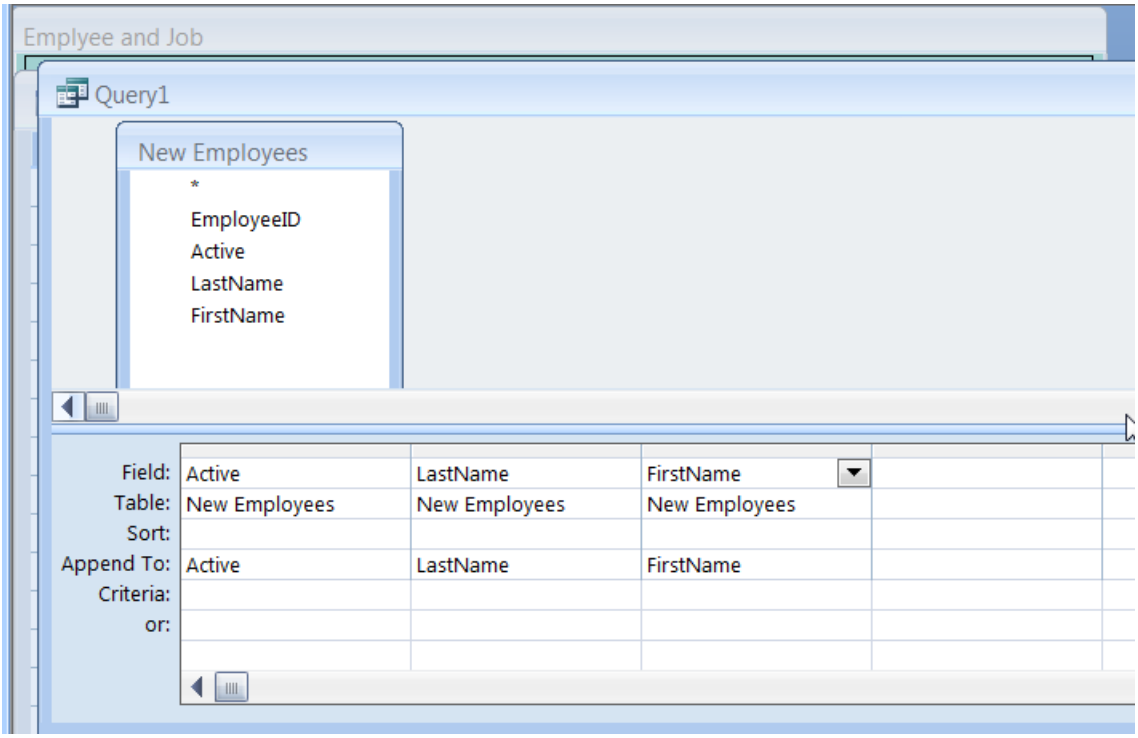
New Employees

EmployeeID	Active	LastName	FirstName
	-1	Utbo	Merry Chie
	-1	Beldad	Ricky
	-1	Varela	Vicente
	-1	Amadar	Segundina
	-1	Dela Cerna	Jason

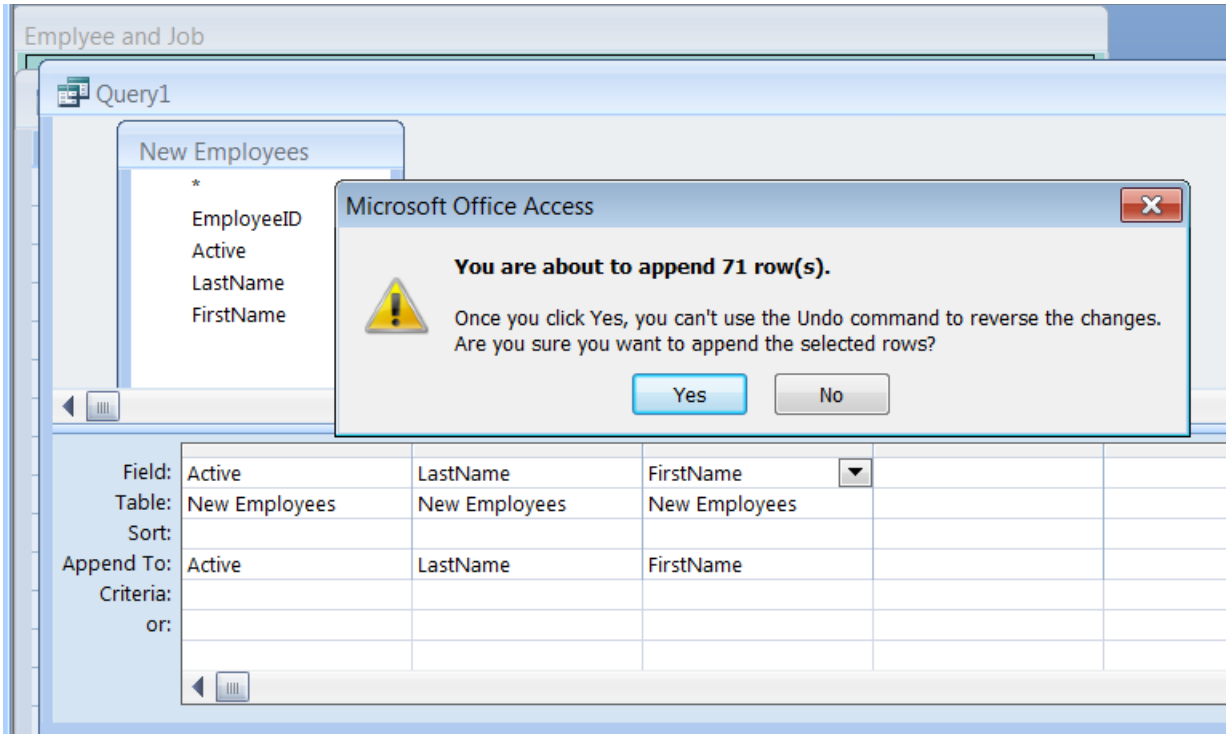
I left the EmployeeID (primary key) blank, and the Active (Boolean) field was translated to -1 from 'Yes' in the CSV.

Two screenshots most relevant to the APPEND QUERY follow:

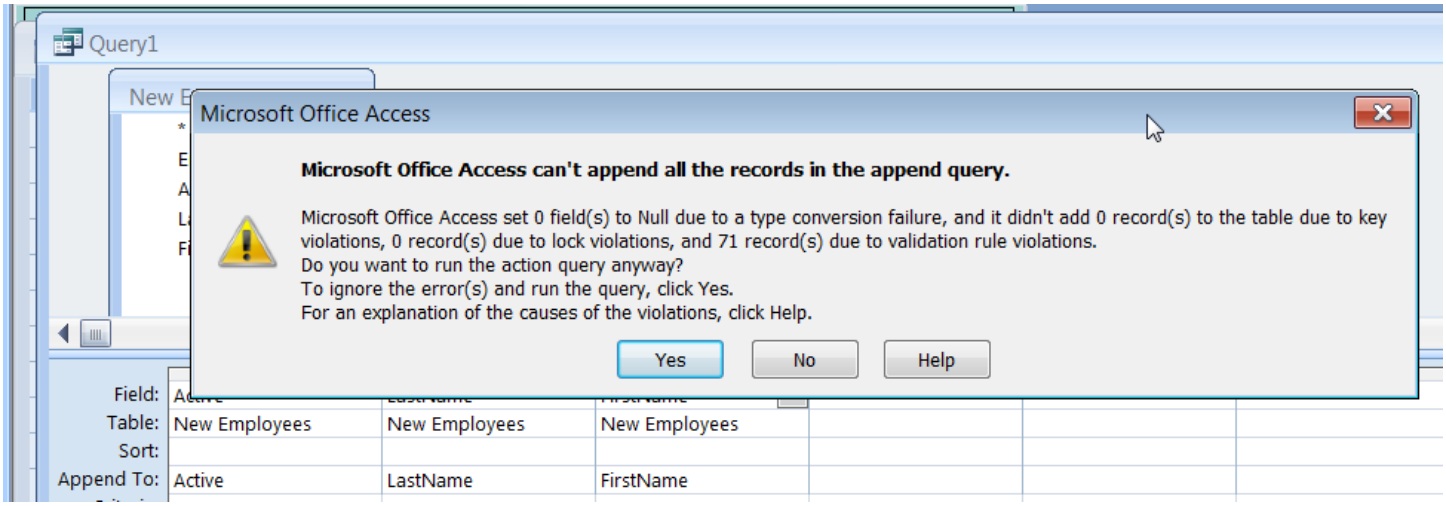




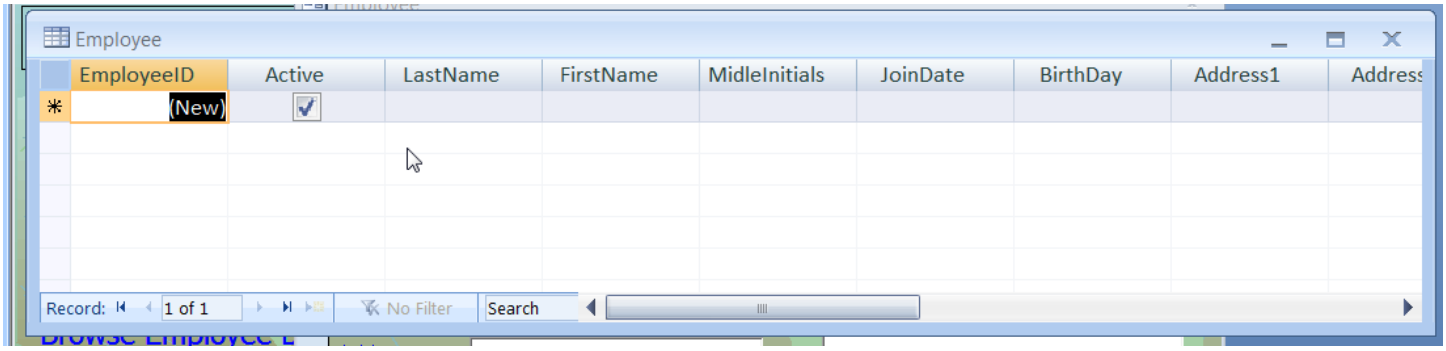
The screenshot that follows (when I clicked **Run Query!**) is:



I **clicked Yes**, and got:



I **clicked Yes**, and the screen flickered for about a second (there were only 71 records in the New Employees table to be appended to the Employee table) and everything went back to normal. I checked the contents of Employee and got nothing appended:



In addition to the above information, please note that the system as described above is:

(1) running on a Windows 7 SP1 PC with 8 GB RAM, Access 2007, and no other software.
(2) ACCESS 2007 with embedded Visual Basic for dealing with the Winforms for data entry.
(3) strictly stand-alone, single user since day one (2003!).
(4) accessed always by a user login with Administrator rights

Would be grateful for any useful advice, tips or suggestions.