

## QGIS Application - Bug report #15369

### layer rendering very slow and QGIS crashes with large number of rule based symbology classes

2016-07-31 02:34 PM - Chris Freyberg

<b>Status:</b>	Closed	
<b>Priority:</b>	Severe/Regression	
<b>Assignee:</b>		
<b>Category:</b>	Symbology	
<b>Affected QGIS version:</b>	2.16.1	<b>Regression?:</b> No
<b>Operating System:</b>	Windows, OSX	<b>Easy fix?:</b> No
<b>Pull Request or Patch supplied:</b>	No	<b>Resolution:</b> not reproducible
<b>Crashes QGIS or corrupts data:</b>	Yes	<b>Copied to github as #:</b> 23300
<b>Description</b>		
<b>New description:</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Take a layer with a column that can be used to create a categorized symbology with a large (ex &gt; 355) number of symbology classes</li><li>- Create the categorized symbology</li><li>- So far so good, the layer renders as expected</li><li>- Now in vector properties change the symbology renderer to "rule based": the previous classes are used to create single rules</li><li>- Now the layer takes ages to render</li><li>- Moreover now if you open a project with a layer with such symbology configuration it will cause QGIS 2.16 64 bit on Windows/OSX to crash (but not on Linux nor on 32 QGIS Windows).</li><li>- The same project on Windows and QGIS 2.8 64 bit didn't caused any crash.</li></ul>		
<b>Old description:</b>		
QGIS browser crashes when rendering a layer with a large (1500 item) rule set. If the rule set is reduced sufficiently (355 items max) then the layer renders, but adding back any additional rule to the 355 items seems to cause the crash. The problem is reproducible.		
The browser was built with Mac Ports.		
The trace (I am no expert ) appears to indicate the problem is in org.qgis.qgis2_core QgsSqlExpressionCompiler::compileNode().		
The project (.qgs plus referenced data) is stable (since 2 yrs) and sizeable (2.7GB, 20+ layers). Probably it could be trimmed down to just one or two layers and still exhibit the problem.		
Please note that I am just a user of the project, not the owner (or a developer).		

#### History

##### #1 - 2016-07-31 04:06 PM - Chris Freyberg

- File qgisBug.zip added

Attach trace file

##### #2 - 2016-08-02 01:41 PM - Chris Freyberg

Same issue affects 64-bit build of 2.16.0 for Windows (Windows 10) BUT NOT the 32-bit build. See #15371 (closed as duplicate).

##### #3 - 2016-08-03 03:18 AM - Giovanni Manghi

- Status changed from Open to Feedback

could you please attach a sample project+data? thanks!

**#4 - 2016-08-03 02:23 PM - Chris Freyberg**

Single layer project attached.

I'd ask you to please note that this project is a hack(subset) of an original that I am neither the owner, nor a developer of. The owner's rights are still active.

**#5 - 2016-08-03 02:30 PM - Chris Freyberg**

Oops. It seems the attachment( single layer project complete ) failed to upload, probably because it is 7.1MB and the limit is 5MB per item.

I have no way of reducing the project further.

I will send the attachment direct to you, Giovanni.

**#6 - 2016-08-05 12:32 AM - Giovanni Manghi**

- Category changed from Browser to Symbolology
- Subject changed from Crashes rendering large rule set to layer rendering very slow and QGIS crashes with large number of rule based symbology classes
- Priority changed from High to Severe/Regression
- Affected QGIS version changed from 2.16.0 to 2.16.1
- OS version deleted (10.10.5)
- Operating System changed from OSX to Windows, OSX
- Status changed from Feedback to Open

New description added.

**#7 - 2016-08-29 05:53 AM - Andre Jesus**

I'm not sure if this is related but performance in 2.14.x and 2.16.x are half 2.8.x were.

[https://s17.postimg.org/zeh8xbwki/2\\_26\\_2\\_8.png](https://s17.postimg.org/zeh8xbwki/2_26_2_8.png)

**#8 - 2016-10-19 06:35 AM - Andreas Neumann**

I can confirm that changing from categorized to rule based renderer with a large number of rules makes rendering magnitudes slower.

Tested on 2.x. master

**#9 - 2016-10-19 04:30 PM - Chris Freyberg**

Updates made by other people to this ticket appear to suggest that the reported issue was **slow rendering**. In fact the original issue was a **crash**,

probably a stack overflow (and, I'm guessing, probably due to right operand recursion when compiling the rule set) that occurs in some builds only. It seems to me unlikely that the crash and slow rendering have the same cause. Can the moderator please determine or split the ticket?

#10 - 2017-02-28 04:22 AM - Giovanni Manghi

- Resolution set to not reproducible
- Status changed from Open to Closed

Chris Freyberg wrote:

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so back to the crash. I have tested on QGIS 2.18.4 and master 64 bit on Windows and the crash is not replicable. I assume/hope that this problem is fixed. Please reopen if necessary.

About the slowness after applying the rule based renderer for hundreds of rules: feel free to file a ticket, personally I think that would be a "won't fix". After all for such cases the categorized symbology is what is needed.

Files

NewZealand_250K_geology.qgs	2.79 MB	2016-07-31	Chris Freyberg
qgisBug.zip	129 KB	2016-07-31	Chris Freyberg