# About this Documentation

This document summarizes the direct call syntax as well as the structure and use of Adabas control blocks (ACBs and ACBXs), Adabas buffer descriptions (ABDs), and buffers in Adabas direct calls. In addition, the structure of the control blocks and structure required for each Adabas command is given. This information is useful to the developers of the applications that use or maintain the data in your Adabas database.

The following summarizes the topics covered by this documentation:

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| ● | *Adabas Direct Call Syntax* | Provides the syntax of Adabas ACB and ACBX direct calls. |
| ● | *Adabas Control Block Structure* | Provides the structure of the ACB and ACBX control blocks used in ACB and ACBX direct calls. |
| ● | *Adabas Buffer Description (ABD) Structure* | Provides the structure of the Adabas buffer descriptions (ABDs) used in ACBX direct calls. |
| ● | *Adabas Direct Call Buffers* | Provides an overview of the buffers that can be specified in a ACB and ACBX direct calls as well as links to the syntax, requirements and use of each buffer in direct calls. |
| ● | *Adabas Commands* | Provides overview tables of the available Adabas commands, including links to the ACB and ACBX control block structures and buffer areas of each. |