

Data entity documentation initiative

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Agenda

- Background
- · Data management
- · Data entities
- Other improvements
- · Demo

Background

Background

Goal was to optimize the Dynamics 365 implementation experience

"Implementation optimization" is used to describe the overall effort

Data migration was an area we found where better documentation could help

Data management

Data management findings

Usability issues

- Locating errors when importing a lot of records
- Extra challenging when the errors are unique

Lacking basic information

 Can't get an entity's key fields without a development machine

Data management usability

Hard to find to the records that failed

• Can't filter the **Staging to target status** field

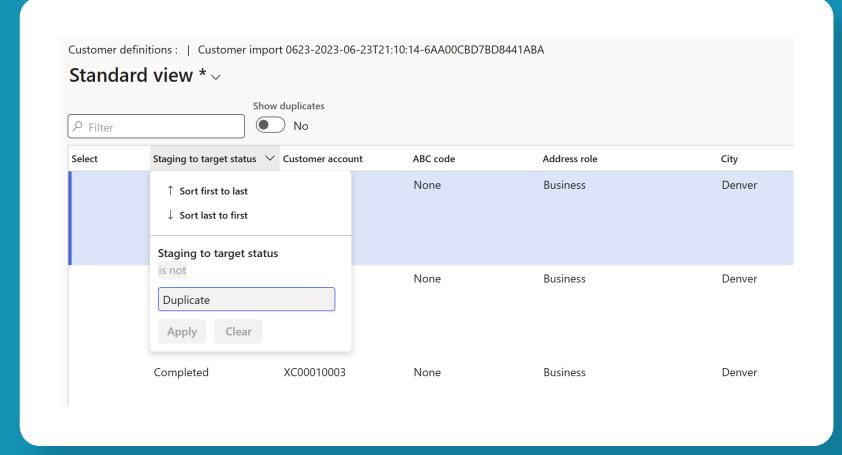
Have to view the error messages one at a time

Message control is outside the grid

The example is 4000 records imported with 100 failed

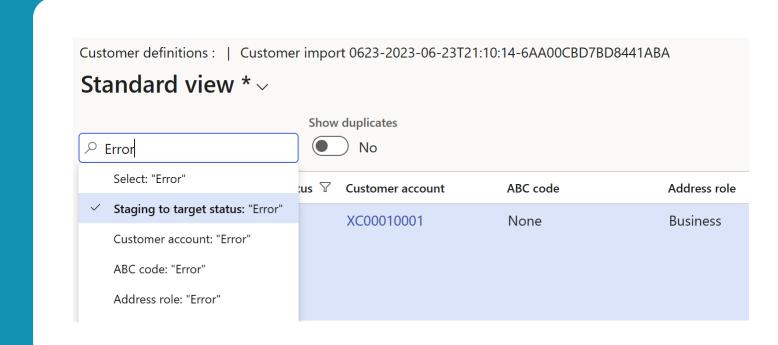
• Each of the 100 errors is unique

Can't filter to the records that failed

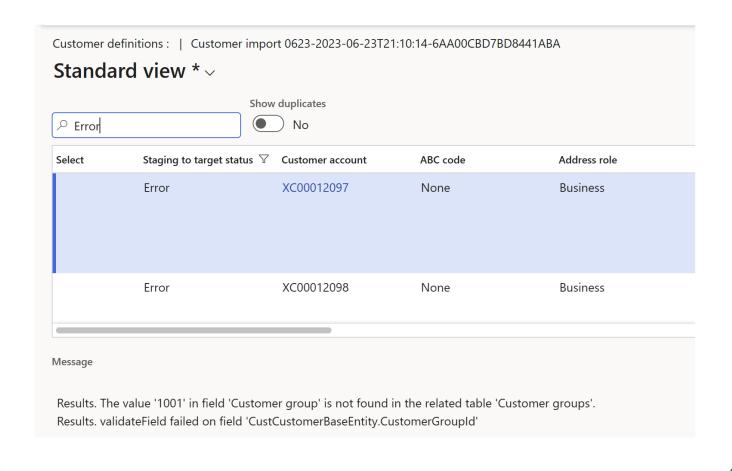


Use the main filter

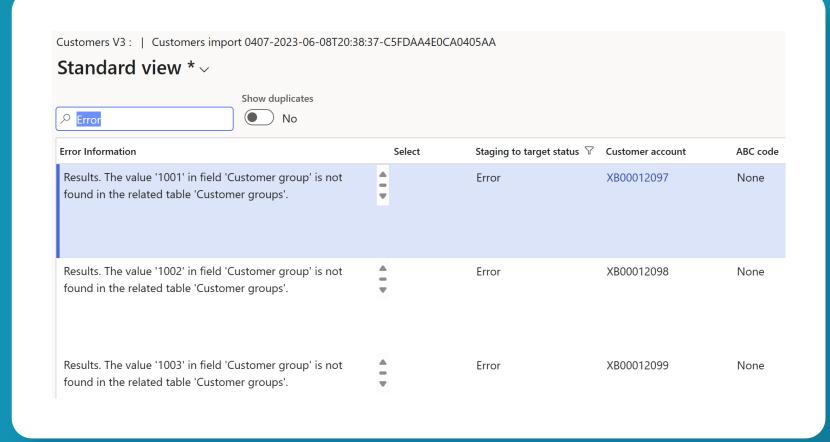
Documentation to be updated



Have to click on each row to see the error



Error Information field added to the grid (10.0.35)



Data entities

Data entity findings

Finding the correct entity can be difficult

Using an entity correctly can be challenging

Can't get information about an entity without a development machine

Problem: finding the correct entity

Entities with multiple alternatives are difficult to discover and understand

Related entities are also difficult to discover due to inconsistent naming and a lack of documentation

Problem: using an entity

What fields are required?

Which fields are foreign keys?

What is the correct value for this field?

Are there options to improve its performance?

Entity documentation: finding the correct entity

Start with an abstraction

• For example, customer or sales order

Context and problem for the entity

• Information on when to use each entity including pros/cons

Related entities

- Entities (related and alternatives)
- Next steps

Entity documentation: using an entity

Summary including the various names and related menu item

Explanation of the performance characteristics

List of fields that are required, foreign keys, and with special requirements

Issues and considerations

Call to action



What other data management improvements are needed?



What other entity information is needed?



What other entities should be documented?

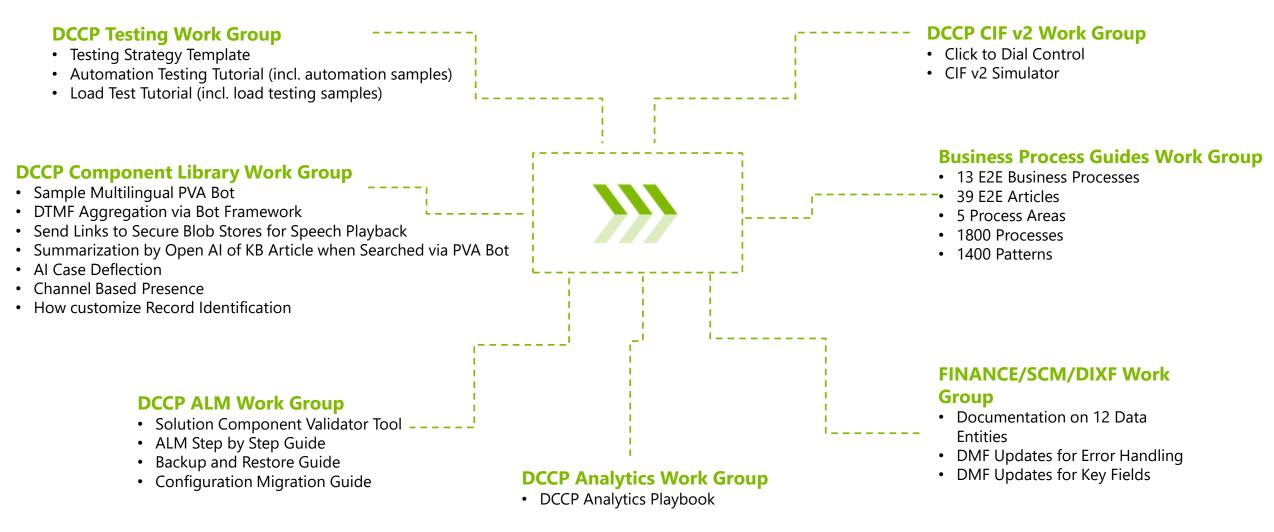
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Digital Contact Center Platform (DCCP)

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Implementation tools and samples | Microsoft Learn

Demo

References

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Thank you

