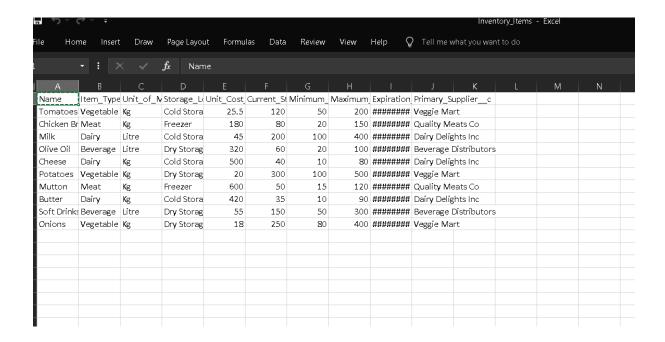
Phase 8: Data Management & Deployment 360-Degree Restaurant Lifecycle Management Platform

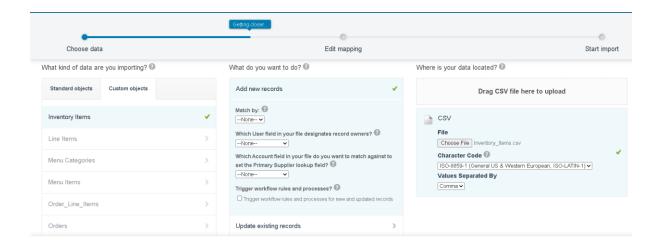
In this phase, the focus was on handling data efficiently, ensuring its quality, and preparing the system for deployment in a production environment. The journey began with the **Salesforce Data Import Wizard**, where we imported foundational records such as customer and supplier accounts, menu categories, menu items, and inventory items. Sample CSV files were created to simulate realistic restaurant data and uploaded into the system with proper field mappings. This ensured that all relationships, such as menu items tied to their categories or inventory items linked to suppliers, were accurately preserved. The wizard simplified the process for smaller datasets and provided an intuitive way to test initial data loads.

For larger and more complex relationships like **recipe ingredients**, the **Data Loader** tool was employed. Unlike the import wizard, Data Loader allows for bulk inserts and supports external IDs, making it ideal for linking menu items to their required inventory ingredients. By defining external IDs for both menu items and inventory items, we could reference them cleanly without relying on system-generated IDs.

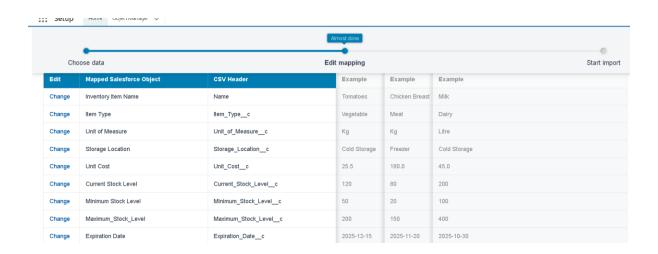


This provided a scalable approach for managing complex many-to-many data relationships such as recipes and their components.

Additionally, Data Loader was configured to support exports, enabling us to back up data regularly. Weekly automated exports were scheduled to capture all custom object records, ensuring that no data loss occurs during ongoing operations.

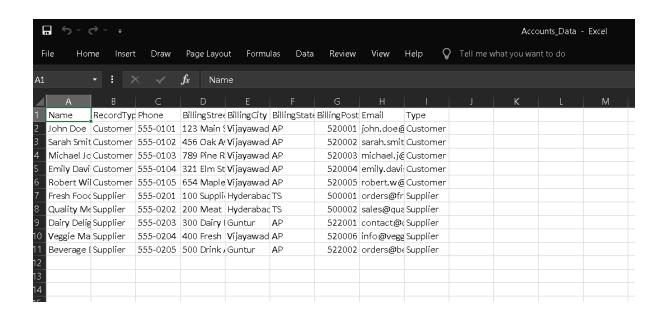


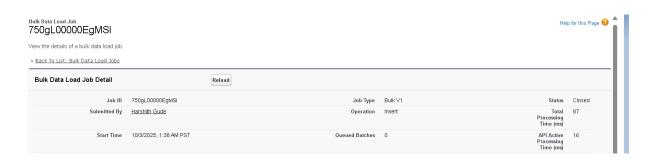
To maintain **data integrity**, duplicate management rules were introduced. For accounts, the system checks for duplicate company names to prevent accidental repetition of customers or suppliers. For menu items, duplicates are blocked if the same name appears within the same category. Similarly, inventory items are checked against supplier and name combinations to ensure unique identification of stock items. These rules create a safeguard against redundancy, which is critical for accurate reporting and stock tracking.



On the **deployment side**, we leveraged Salesforce deployment tools such as **Change Sets**, **Unmanaged Packages**, and the **ANT Migration Tool**. Change Sets allowed us to migrate configurations—including objects, validation rules, flows, Apex classes, and Lightning components—from sandbox to production with dependency management. Unmanaged Packages were created to bundle all restaurant management system components into a reusable and shareable package, providing a portable deployment option for other environments. For more technical scenarios, the ANT Migration Tool and Salesforce CLI (SFDX) were configured. These tools offered script-

based deployments, automation via CI/CD pipelines, and better control over versioning and rollback strategies.





In summary, Phase-8 ensured that the restaurant management platform is data-ready, secure, and deployable at scale. Data import processes brought the system to life with realistic records, Data Loader streamlined bulk operations and relationships, duplicate rules protected data quality, and deployment strategies ensured smooth transitions between sandbox and production environments.

This comprehensive approach guarantees not only functional accuracy but also operational sustainability as the system goes live.