Phase 8: Data Management & Deployment

1 Data Import Wizard

Purpose: Simple tool for importing small datasets (≤50,000 records).

Best for: CSV import of Accounts, Contacts, Leads, Custom Objects.

Steps:

Go to Setup \rightarrow Data Import Wizard.

Select the object (e.g., Employee__c).

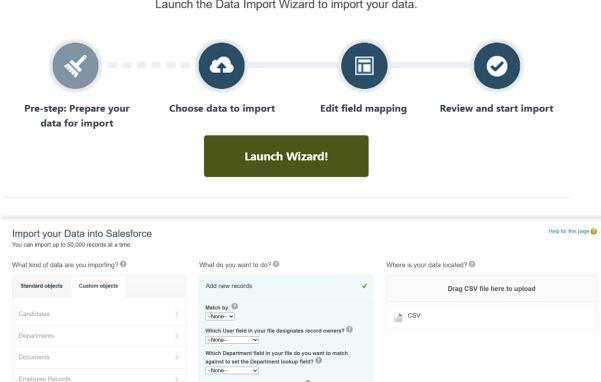
Upload a CSV file.

Map CSV columns to Salesforce fields.

Start Import → Salesforce shows progress + success/failure.

Import your data in 3 easy steps!

Launch the Data Import Wizard to import your data.



Trigger workflow rules and processes?

Drag CSV file here to upload CSV File Choose File Employee_c.csv Character Code ISO-8859-1 (General US & Western European, ISO-LATIN-1) Values Separated By Comma V

2 Data Loader

Purpose: Advanced import/export tool for large datasets (>50,000 records).

Best for: Bulk inserts, updates, deletes, upserts.

Steps:

Download Data Loader from Setup.

Login with Salesforce credentials (use security token if required).

Choose operation: Insert / Update / Upsert / Export / Delete.

Select object (e.g., Onboarding_Task__c).

Upload CSV with data.

Run → Check success & error logs.

3 Duplicate Rules

Purpose: Prevent users from creating duplicate records.

Steps:

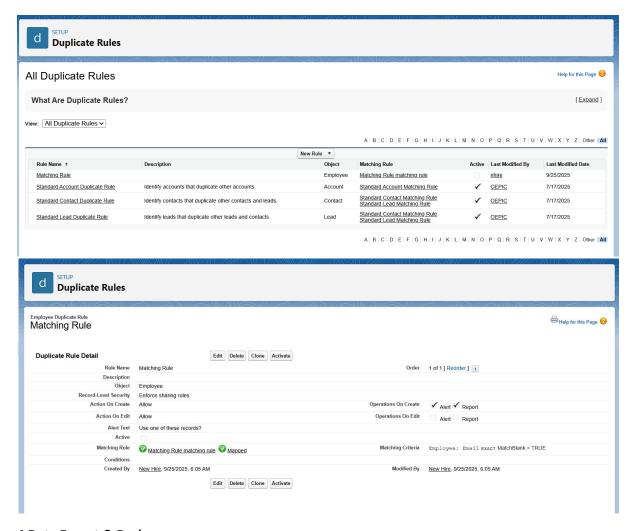
Setup → Duplicate Rules.

Create New Rule → Select object (Employee__c).

Define Matching Rule (e.g., Email = must be unique).

Choose action: Block or Allow with Alert.

Activate the rule.



4 Data Export & Backup

Purpose: Backup Salesforce data.

Options:

Data Export Service (weekly/monthly export from Setup).

Data Loader Export (manual CSV export).

Steps:

Setup → Data Export.

Choose objects to export.

Salesforce emails a download link with .zip files.

In Production \rightarrow Inbound Change Sets \rightarrow Validate \rightarrow Deploy.

5 Unmanaged vs Managed Packages

Unmanaged Packages:

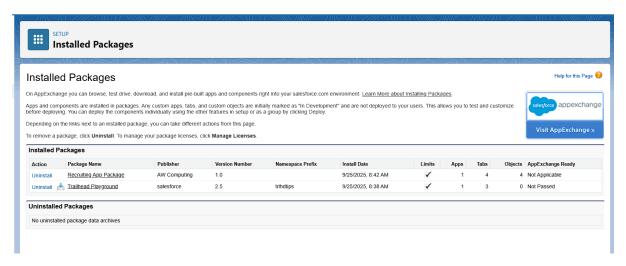
Used for deployment (dev \rightarrow sandbox/prod).

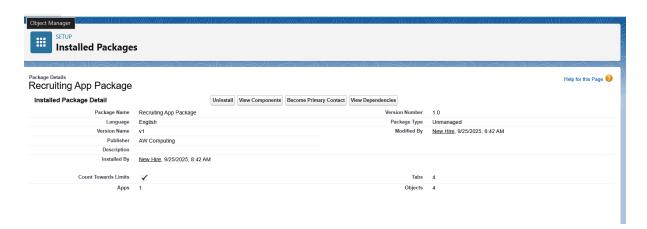
Code is editable in target org.

Managed Packages:

Used by ISVs on AppExchange.

Code is locked, only upgrades possible.





6 VS Code & SFDX (Salesforce DX)

Purpose: Modern development + deployment toolset.

Best for: Source-driven development, CI/CD.

Steps:

Install VS Code + Salesforce Extensions Pack.

Authorize org:

sfdx force:auth:web:login -a MyOrg

Deploy metadata:

sfdx force:source:deploy -p force-app/main/default -u MyOrg

Retrieve metadata:

sfdx force:source:retrieve -p force-app/main/default -u MyOrg