

# Phase 9: Reporting, Dashboards & Security Review

#### Salesforce Rental Management System - Project Report

#### 1. Introduction

## **Role of Reporting & Dashboards in Salesforce**

Reports and dashboards are essential business intelligence tools in Salesforce that transform raw data into actionable insights. In the Rental Management System:

- Reports provide detailed data analysis across Rental Units, Agreements,
  Statements, and Payments
- Dashboards offer visual, real-time snapshots of key performance indicators (KPIs)
- Custom Report Types enable complex data relationships to surface meaningful patterns
- Dynamic Dashboards ensure role-based data visibility for managers and property owners

#### Why Security Review is Critical in Real Projects

A comprehensive security review ensures:

- Data Privacy: Protecting sensitive tenant and payment information (PII, credit card details)
- Compliance: Meeting regulatory requirements like GDPR, PCI-DSS for financial data
- Access Control: Preventing unauthorized access to rental agreements and financial records
- Audit Trail: Maintaining accountability through configuration change tracking

 Risk Mitigation: Identifying and closing security vulnerabilities before production deployment

In rental management, protecting tenant financial data and ensuring only authorized personnel access sensitive information is not just best practice—it's a legal requirement.

# 2. Reports

## 2.1 Tabular Report

**Purpose**: Display a straightforward list of records with selected fields in columns.

**Example Use Case**: List all Payments with Payment Date, Amount, and Status

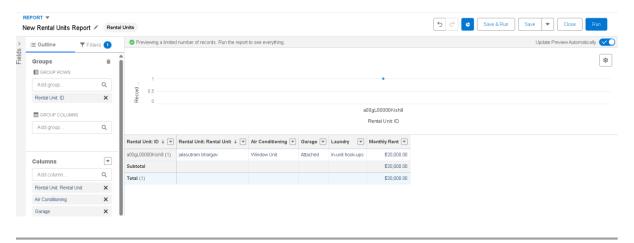
## **Steps to Create:**

- 1. Navigate to **Reports Tab** → Click **New Report**
- 2. Select **Payments** as the Report Type
- 3. Choose **Tabular Format**
- 4. Add columns:
  - Payment No (Name)
  - Payment Date (Payment\_Date\_\_c)
  - Amount (Amount\_\_c)
  - Status (Status\_\_c)
  - Statement (Statement\_\_c)
- 5. Apply filters (e.g., Payment Date = THIS\_MONTH)
- 6. Click **Run Report** → **Save**

#### **Key Features:**

- Simple row-and-column format
- Best for detailed record lists

- Easy to export to Excel
- Quick filtering and sorting capabilities



## 2.2 Summary Report

**Purpose**: Group records and calculate subtotals, averages, or other aggregate functions.

**Example Use Case**: Total Payments grouped by Rental Agreement

## **Steps to Create:**

- 1. Create a new Report with Payments Report Type
- 2. Select Summary Format
- Add grouping: Group rows by Statement > Rental Agreement
  (Statement \_\_c.Rental \_Agreement \_\_c)
- 4. Add columns:
  - Payment Date (Payment\_Date\_\_c)
  - Amount (Amount\_\_c)
  - Status (Status\_\_c)
- 5. Add Summary Field: **SUM of Amount** at Rental Agreement level
- 6. Optionally add chart (Bar Chart showing Total Payment by Rental Agreement)
- 7. Run Report  $\rightarrow$  Save

#### **Key Features:**

- Calculates totals, averages, min/max values
- Multiple grouping levels (up to 3)
- Ideal for financial summaries and KPI tracking
- Supports inline charting

### 2.3 Matrix Report

**Purpose**: Cross-tabulate data with both row and column groupings for multidimensional analysis.

**Example Use Case**: Monthly Rent distribution across Unit Status categories

# **Steps to Create:**

- 1. Create new Report with Rental Units Report Type
- 2. Select Matrix Format
- 3. Configure groupings:
  - Row Grouping: Unit Status (Unit\_Status\_\_c) → e.g., Available,
    Occupied, Maintenance
  - Column Grouping: Property Type (Property\_Type\_\_c) → e.g.,
    Apartment, House, Condo
- 4. Add Summary Field: **Average of Monthly Rent** (Monthly\_Rent\_\_c)
- 5. Customize format: Show Grand Totals for both rows and columns
- 6. Add conditional highlighting (e.g., highlight units with rent > \$2000)
- 7. Run Report  $\rightarrow$  Save

#### **Key Features:**

- Two-dimensional data analysis
- Intersection-based calculations
- Perfect for comparing metrics across categories

Advanced visual insights with color coding

### 2.4 Joined Report

**Purpose**: Combine multiple report blocks with different data sources into a single view.

**Example Use Case**: Compare Statements (billing) with Payments (collections) side-by-side

### **Steps to Create:**

1. Create new Report → Select **Joined Report** format

#### 2. Block 1 - Statements:

- Report Type: Statements
- Group by: Rental Agreement (Rental\_Agreement\_\_c)
- o Add columns: Statement Date, Total Amount, Due Date, Status
- o Add Summary: SUM of Total Amount

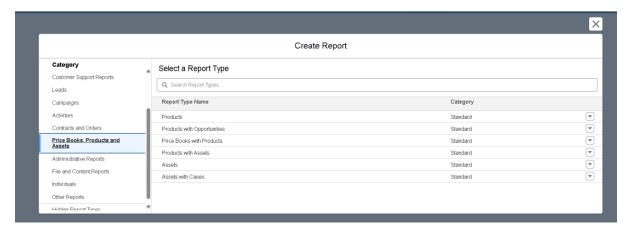
#### 3. Block 2 - Payments:

- Report Type: Payments with Statements
- Group by: Statement > Rental Agreement
- Add columns: Payment Date, Amount, Status
- Add Summary: SUM of Amount
- 4. Configure **Common Grouping**: Rental Agreement (to align both blocks)
- 5. Add a **Formula Field**: Outstanding Balance = Block1.Total\_Amount Block2.Amount\_Paid
- 6. Run Report  $\rightarrow$  Save

#### **Key Features:**

- Compare related datasets in unified view
- Up to 5 report blocks

- Custom formulas across blocks
- Powerful for reconciliation and variance analysis



# 3. Custom Report Types

## Why Custom Report Types?

Standard report types may not include all object relationships needed for complex rental management reporting. Custom report types allow you to:

- · Define parent-child-grandchild relationships
- Include related objects not available in standard types
- Control which fields appear in report builder
- Create organization-specific reporting structures

**Example: Rental Agreement with Statements and Payments** 

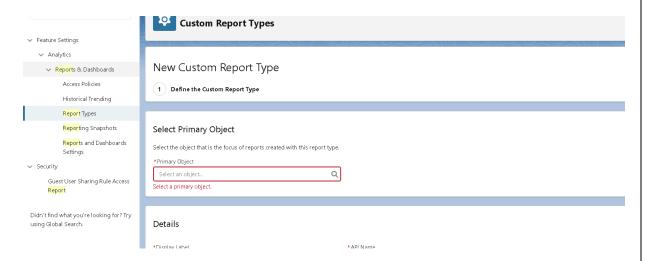
#### **Business Need:**

Generate comprehensive reports showing:

- Each Rental Agreement
- Associated Statements (billing)
- Payments received against those statements

# **Steps to Create Custom Report Type:**

1. Navigate to Setup  $\rightarrow$  Report Types  $\rightarrow$  New Custom Report Type



# 2. Primary Object Configuration:

- Primary Object: Rental Agreement (Rental\_Agreement\_\_c)
- Report Type Label: Rental Agreements with Statements and Payments
- Report Type Name: Rental\_Agreements\_Statements\_Payments
- Description: "Comprehensive view of rental agreements, billing statements, and payment history"
- Category: Rental Management

## 3. **Define Object Relationships**:

- A to B Relationship: Rental Agreement → Statements
  - Relationship: "Each Rental Agreement may or may not have related Statements"
- o B to C Relationship: Statements → Payments
  - Relationship: "Each Statement may or may not have related Payments"

#### 4. Field Selection:

- From Rental Agreement: Include Agreement Status, Start/End
  Dates, Rental Amount, Balance
- From Statement: Include Statement Date, Total Amount, Due Date,
  Status

 From Payment: Include Payment Date, Amount, Status, Payment Method

# 5. **Set Layout Options**:

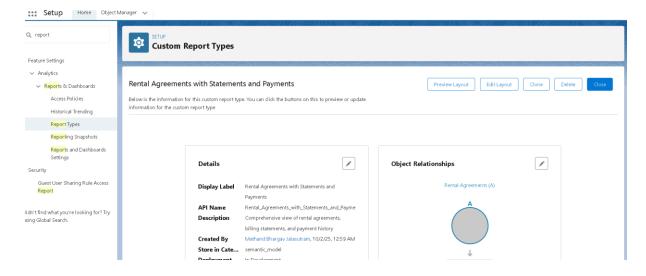
- Choose which fields appear by default in report builder
- Set field categories for easy navigation

## 6. Save & Deploy

# **Using the Custom Report Type:**

Once created, users can:

- Build reports showing unpaid balances across all agreements
- Track payment history per rental unit
- Identify overdue statements by tenant
- Generate financial summaries for tax purposes



#### 4. Dashboards

# **Purpose of Dashboards**

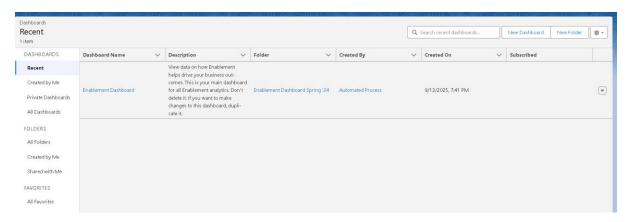
Dashboards provide real-time visual analytics, transforming report data into interactive charts, graphs, and metrics. For rental management:

- Track occupancy rates across properties
- Monitor payment collection vs outstanding balances
- Identify maintenance requests and unit availability
- Analyze revenue trends by property type

## **Steps to Create a Rental Management Dashboard**

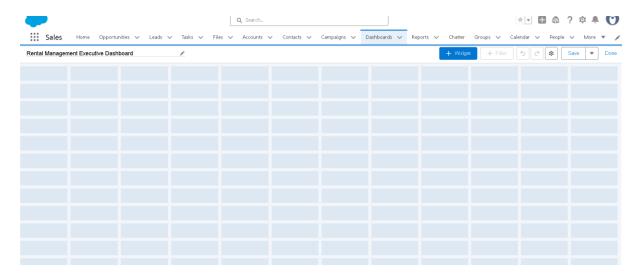
#### **4.1 Dashboard Creation Process**

1. Navigate to **Dashboards Tab** → Click **New Dashboard** 



# 2. Dashboard Configuration:

- Name: Rental Management Executive Dashboard
- Folder: Rental Management Reports
- Description: "Key metrics for rental units, agreements, and financial performance"



- 3. Add Components (see sections below for each component)
- 4. Set Refresh Schedule:
  - Manual refresh or scheduled (daily/weekly)
  - For real-time needs: Enable auto-refresh
- 5. Configure Dashboard Properties:
  - Dashboard Type: Dynamic (see Section 5)
  - o Running User: Set to logged-in user or specific user
  - Mobile-ready: Enable for mobile access
- 6. **Save & Share** with appropriate users/roles

## **4.2 Dashboard Components**

## **Component 1: Pie Chart - Unit Status Distribution**

Purpose: Visualize rental unit availability at a glance

#### **Configuration**:

- **Source Report**: Rental Units grouped by Unit Status
- Component Type: Pie Chart
- Grouping: Unit\_Status\_\_c (Available, Occupied, Maintenance, Under Renovation)

- Value: Record Count
- Display Options:
  - Show percentages
  - Show legend with color codes
  - Total units in center (if donut chart)

Business Insight: Quickly identify vacancy rates and units requiring attention

# **Component 2: Bar Chart - Total Payments by Rental Agreement**

**Purpose**: Track payment collection across active rental agreements

# **Configuration**:

- Source Report: Summary Report of Payments grouped by Rental Agreement
- Component Type: Horizontal Bar Chart
- Grouping: Statement > Rental Agreement (Rental\_Agreement\_\_c)
- Value: SUM of Amount (Amount\_\_c)
- Display Options:
  - Sort by value (highest to lowest)
  - Show values on bars
  - Color code by payment status if possible

# **Component 3: Gauge - Active Agreement Balance vs Target**

**Purpose**: Monitor outstanding balances against collection targets

#### **Configuration**:

- **Source Report**: Summary Report of Rental Agreements
- **Component Type**: Gauge

- Metric: SUM of Balance (Balance\_c) for Active Agreements
- Ranges:
  - o Green (0 \$5,000): Excellent minimal outstanding balance
  - Yellow (\$5,000 \$15,000): Caution moderate balances
  - o Red (\$15,000+): Critical aggressive collection needed
- Target: \$10,000 (example target for total outstanding)
- **Display**: Show current value and percentage to target

Business Insight: At-a-glance financial health indicator for rental portfolio

## **Additional Recommended Components:**

## **Component 4: Table - Overdue Statements**

- List statements past due date with balance
- Quick action links to statements

## **Component 5: Line Chart - Monthly Revenue Trend**

- Payment collection over last 12 months
- Compare to rental amount billed

## **Component 6: Metric - Key Statistics**

- Total Active Agreements
- Total Monthly Recurring Revenue
- Average Occupancy Rate
- Outstanding Balance

