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Do you import and export data?

Do you reconcile the data?

If no then read this, we may change your mind.....

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Why reconcile

Reconciling data exports and imports is crucial for maintaining data integrity and accuracy. Here are a few reasons why it's important:

- **Accuracy**: Ensures that the data transferred between systems matches and is accurate.

- **Consistency**: Helps maintain consistency across different databases or systems.

- **Error Detection**: Identifies discrepancies or errors that may have occurred during the data transfer process.

- **Compliance**: Ensures compliance with data governance and regulatory requirements.

- **Efficiency**: Improves overall efficiency by catching issues early and preventing them from escalating.

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Exports

- Keep track in database what you have sent.

- Get an output from your supplier every day reflecting what they have received, what's been processed.

- Import the output everyday.

- Use this data to reconcile with what you sent the previous day.

- Act on findings, e.g., create an addendum for the next day.

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Imports

- Keep track of what's been imported and against what file

- Match what's been imported to what has been processed and updated.

- If we have 20 lines in a file, ensure 20 changes are made.

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Keep the business involved

- Involve the business in this process

- Let them know of discrepancies

- Adapt your process where needed

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Final Thoughts

We create imports and exports with the knowledge we have today, but data changes.

- Always log what was exported and imported for validation.

- Create the process assuming it will fail—you'll end up with a much more robust solution.

- Involve the business in the process. Let them know you are not just doing the bare minimum; you are checking and proactively informing them of issues.

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