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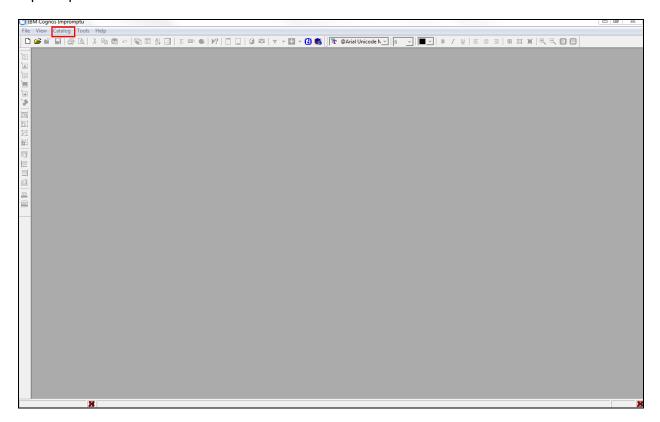
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Accessing an Impromptu Catalog

A catalog contains all the information necessary for Impromptu to access and retrieve information from the data warehouse. It contains information about what database to access, where the database is stored, and how the tables in the catalog are joined.

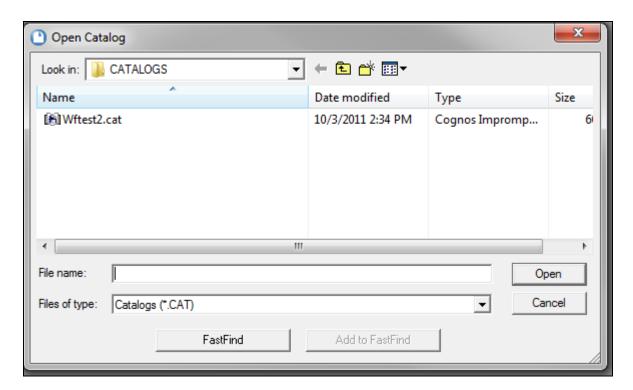
To open a catalog

When you initially start Impromptu and attempt to create a new report, you are automatically prompted to open a catalog. If you open an existing report, the catalog associated with that report opens



Your Action	System Response
Selecting the Catalog tab on the tool bar	The Open Catalog screen will appear.
to Open or close a catalog.	

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Connecting to Impromptu

Your Action	System Response
2. Select the appropriate catalog to access	The Catalog Logon screen will appear.
the data base.	



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	Your Action	System Response
3.	Choose User from the user Class Drop	The Catalog Logon screen will appear.
	down Menu.	
4.	Enter Userid and Password under Data	
	Base	
5.	Choose OK .	Once you have logged in to a catalog, you
		will remain logged in until you close
		Impromptu

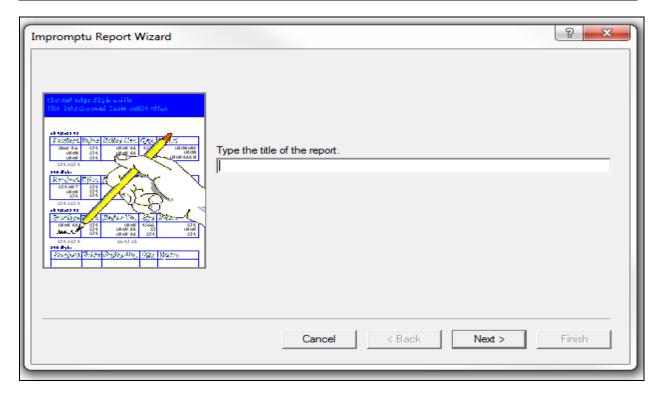
Building an Ad Hoc Report

There might be times when there is not a standard report that satisfies your reporting needs. In that case, you will need to build an ad hoc report. You will start by creating a new report and adding the columns of your choice from the catalog. You will then have the ability to set it up with your own groupings, filters, and format.

Creating a New List Report

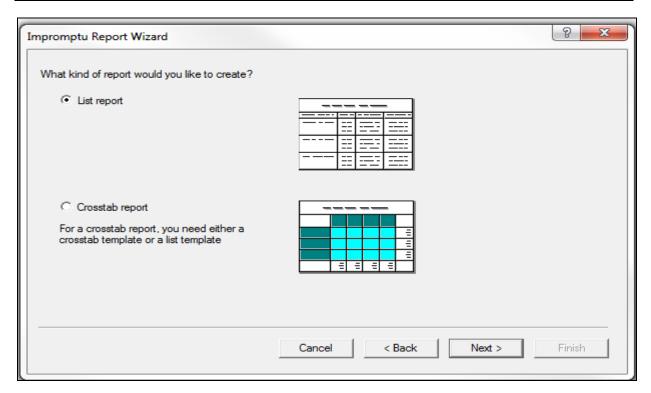
A List report is a report made up of any number of columns. New reports can be created by clicking the *New* button on the Power Bar. It opens the <u>default</u> template which includes the State of Mississippi logo and is set up to print in landscape format

Your Action	System Response
1. Choose the New button on the Power	The "Type the title of the report" screen will
Bar.	appear.



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Your Action	System Response
2. Choose Next .	The "What kind of Report would you like to
	create?" screen will appear.



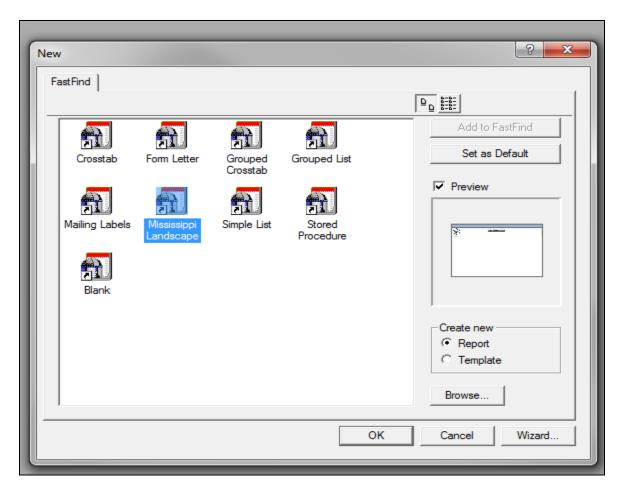
Your Action	System Response
3. Choose Next .	After creating a new report, the Query Dialog
	box opens automatically. The Catalog box
	below shows the highest-level folders
	contained within the catalog.

OR

When a new report is created by selecting the *File/New* command, Templates can provide a head start with both the contents and the layout of a report. With the Impromptu templates, a user can simply add the appropriate data to the template to create a report. Several basic templates have been designed specifically for the State of Mississippi. The default template on the palette is labeled *Mississippi Landscape*. The *Mississippi Portrait* template also contains the log, but defaults to a vertical orientation. The *List Report* template is blank (without a logo, header, or footers).

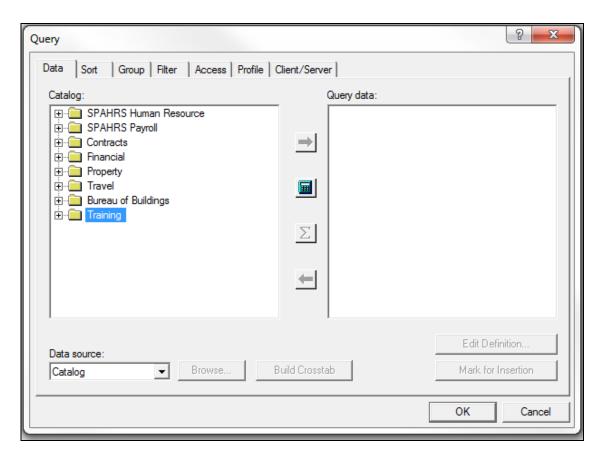
	Your Action	System Response
1.	Choose the File/New command.	A Palette window opens showing six
		templates.

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Your Action	System Response
4. Select OK .	After creating a new report, the Query Dialog
	box opens automatically. The Catalog box
	below shows the highest-level folders
	contained within the catalog.

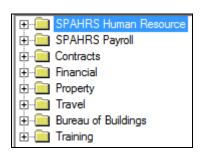
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Users can now open many levels of embedded folders in the *Catalog* box to see the data items available for the report.

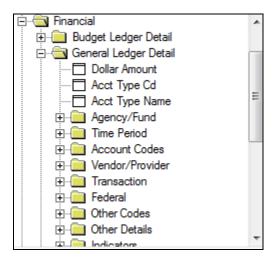
	Description
5. Select OK .	After creating a new report, the Query Dialog
	box opens automatically. The Catalog box
	below shows the highest-level folders
	contained within the catalog.

Folders--meaningful groupings of information (e.g., Budget Ledger Details, General Ledger Details)

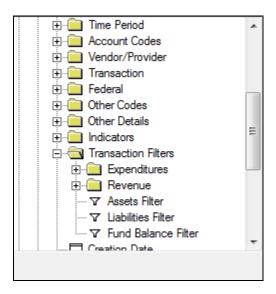


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Columns - individual items of information (e.g., Agency Name, Agency Number, Fund Name, Fund Number)



Conditions - saved condition (e.g., Encumbrances) and calculation (e.g., Budgeted and Non-Budgeted Expenditures) specifications



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The Training Catalog

During your Impromptu training, we will focus on financial information in the *Training* section of the catalog. It is divided into three main folders – *Fund/Object, Vendor/Fund/Major Object, and Code Tables.* As you examine the hierarchy, you will see layers of folders and within those folders, columns you will want to use for your reports. Only columns at the very highest level are included in the following description.

Folder: Training

Folder: Fund/Object

Folder: Agency/Fund

Folder: Time

Folder: Account Codes

Org Code Activity Code

Bud Function Code

Folder: Dollar Amounts

Folder: Expenditures
Folder: Encumbrances
Folder: Pre Encumbrances

Data Source

Folder: Vendor/Fund/Major Object

Folder: Agency/Fund

Folder: Time

Folder: Account Codes

Folder: Vendor

Folder: Vendor Addtl Info

Folder: Vendor Minority Certifications

Folder: Dollar Amounts

Folder: Expenditures
Folder: Encumbrances
Folder: Pre Encumbrances

Data Source

Folder: Code Tables

Folder: Agency Info (SAAS)

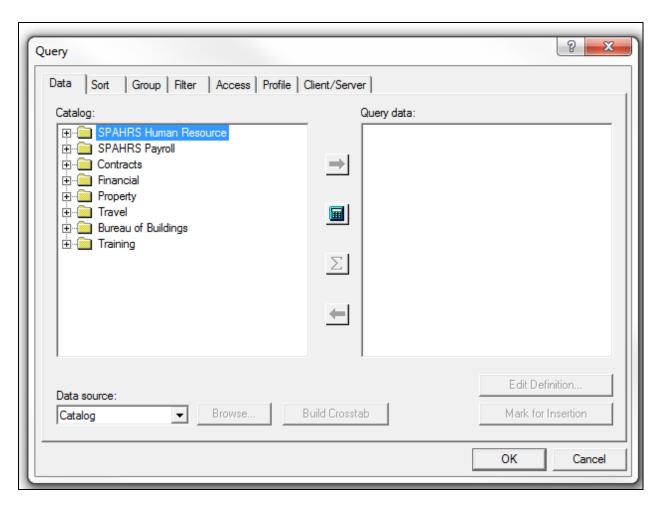
Folder: Address

Folder: Provider Information

Choosing the Data

The *Data* tab in the Query Dialog box displays the contents of the catalog from which you can select the data items you want in your query. You can select data items in the *Catalog* box and add them to the *Query Data* box by:

- Dragging columns to the Query Data box
- Selecting columns and choosing the Add button, or
- Double-clicking a column in the Catalog box



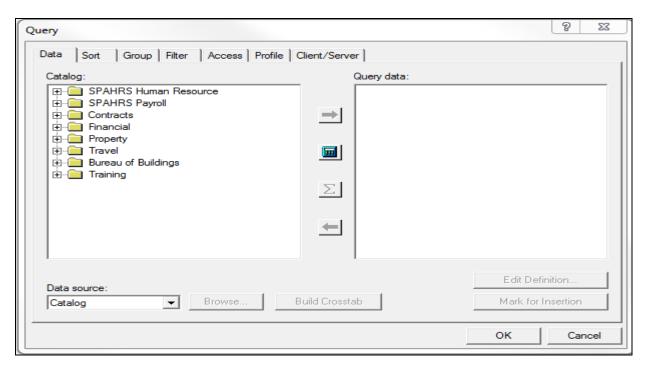
The order of the columns in the Query Data box determines the column order in the report. Columns can be moved and dragged to another location within the Query Data box. Columns can be removed from the query with the *Remove* button. Columns can also be added that do not display in the report by selecting the column and choosing the *Mark for Insertion* button to toggle the insertion status to off.

Exercise 1

The purpose of this first ad hoc report, is to create a report similar to the *Expenditures* \$ standard report. The report should reflect expenditures greater than \$10,000 for January 1997. It should be sorted by Bud Exp Amt and grouped by Agency name as shown below.

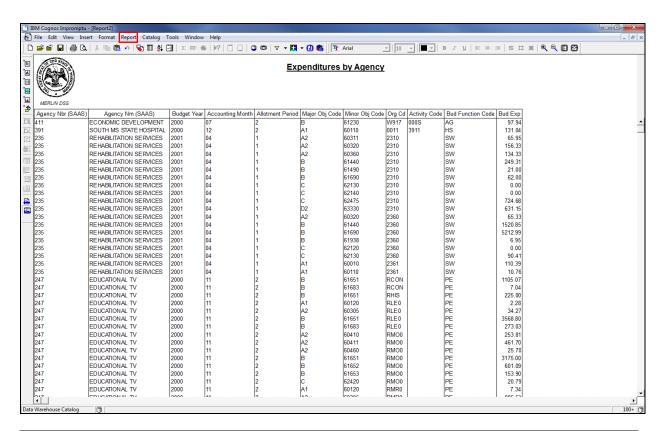
	Your Action	System Response
1.	Choose the New button on the Power	The Impromptu Report Wizard box will
	Bar.	appear.
2.	Choose Next .	The "What kind of Report would you like to
		create?" screen will appear.
3.	Select List Report and choose Next.	After creating a new report, the Query Dialog
		box opens automatically. The Catalog box
		below shows the highest-level folders
		contained within the catalog.

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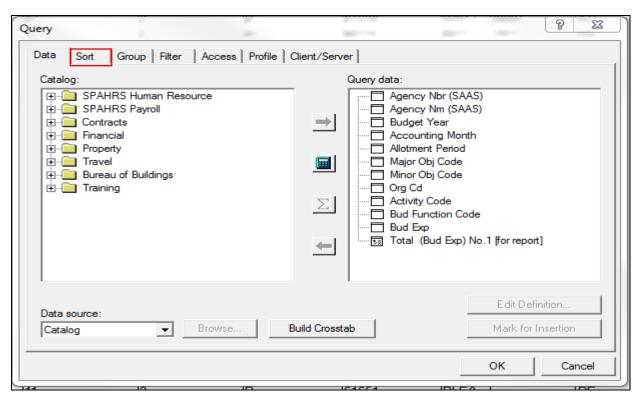
Your Action	System Response
4. Add Columns to the report:	The report will appear.
Expand the Training folder.	
Expand the Fund/Object folder.	
Expand the Agency/Fund folder.	
Double click Agency Nm (SAAS) and	
Agency Nbr (SAAS) to add them to the	
Query Data box.	
Collapse the Agency/Fund folder.	
Expand the Time Period folder.	
Double click Budget Year, Accounting	
Month, and Allotment Period to add	
them to the Query Data box.	
Collapse the Time Period folder.	
Expand the Account Codes folder. Double click Minor Obj Code and Major	
Obj Code to add them to the Query	
Data box.	
Collapse the Account Codes folder.	
Double click Org Cd, Activity Code , and	
Bud Function Code, located under the	
Account Codes folder, to add them to	
the Query Data box.	
Expand the Dollar Amounts folder.	
Expand the Expenditures folder.	
Double click Bud Exp to add it to the	
Query Data box.	
Choose Finish .	

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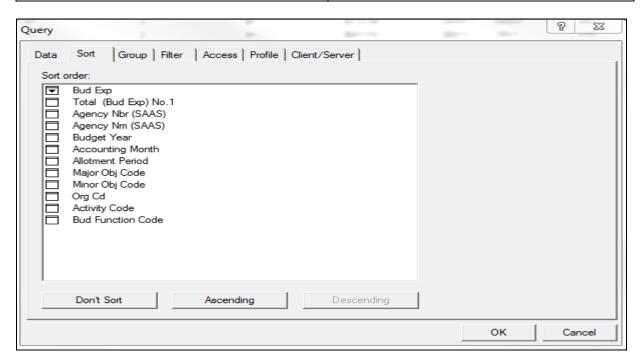


	Your Action	System Response
5.	Sort the Data by Budget Expenditure Amount in Descending Order.	The Query dialog box will appear.
	Select Report located on the Menu Bar. Select Query from the drop down menu.	

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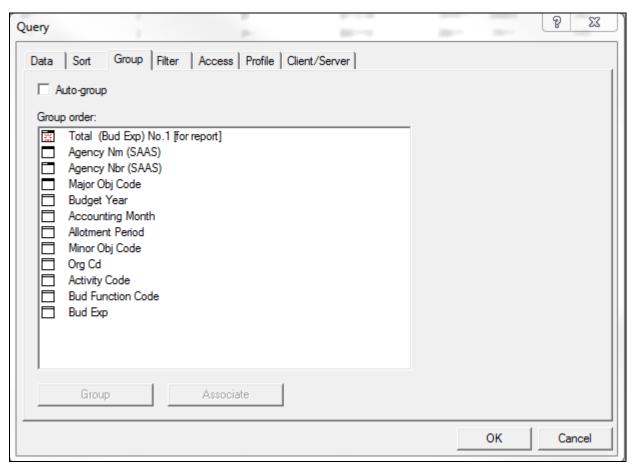


Your Action	System Response
Continue.	The Query Sort tab screen will appear.
Select the Sort tab in the Query dialog box.	



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	Your Action	System Response
	Continued.	
	Colort Burd Free	
	Select Bud Exp.	
	Select the Descending button.	
6.	Group the data by Agency and Major	
	Object Code	
	Select the Group tab in the Query dialog box.	
	Select Agency Nm (SAAS).	
	Select the Group button.	
	Select the Agency Nbr (SAAS).	
	Select the Associate Button .	
	Double click on the Major Obj Code .	

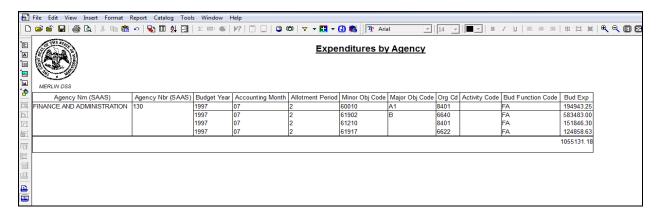


Your Action	System Response
7. Filter the data to Budget Year and	
Accounting Month.	
Select the Filter tab in the Query dialog	
box.	
Double click on the Reports Columns.	

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	Your Action	System Response
	Continued.	The report will appear.
	Double click on the Budget Year. Double click the =. Double click the string. Enter 1997. Click on the Double click on and. Double click Agency Nbr (SAAS). Double click the =. Double click the string. Enter 130. Click on the Double click on and. Double click on the Reports Columns. Double click on the Reports Columns. Double click on the Reports Columns. Double click Accounting Month. Double click the string. Enter 07. Click on the Double click on and. Double click on the Reports Columns. Double click on the Bud Exp. Double click the >. Double click the number. Enter 100000. Select OK.	
8.	Modify the title in the List Header.	
	Click on the List Report Title . Highlight the default text and delete. Enter Expenditures by Agency.	
9.	Save the report.	The report will be displayed.
	Select File from the menu bar. Select Save As and type My First Report for the file name. Select Save .	

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Creating a SmartSummary

Summaries allow you to aggregate data at various levels within reports. When you create a SmartSummary, the value that is calculated will reflect the group it is associated with. SmartSummaries are dynamic and are calculated based on their position in the report. It will calculate a Monthly Total if you put it in the Monthly footer, and it will calculate the Annual Grand Total if you put it in the Grand Total footer. When you make a new SmartSummary, a special SmartSummary icon appears below the group that the SmartSummary is associated with in the Group Order box.

Adding Text Frames

A group footer is automatically added for each distinct group within the report when a SmartSummary is created. To label the footer, add a text frame to the footer. To create a text frame:

	Your Action	System Response
1.	Click the <i>Text Frame</i> button on the Layout	(The mouse pointer changes to a Text icon)
	Power Bar.	
2.	Position the pointer where you want the	
	upper-left corner of the text.	
3.	Drag the mouse diagonally until it is the	
	size you want.	
4.	Release the mouse button.	

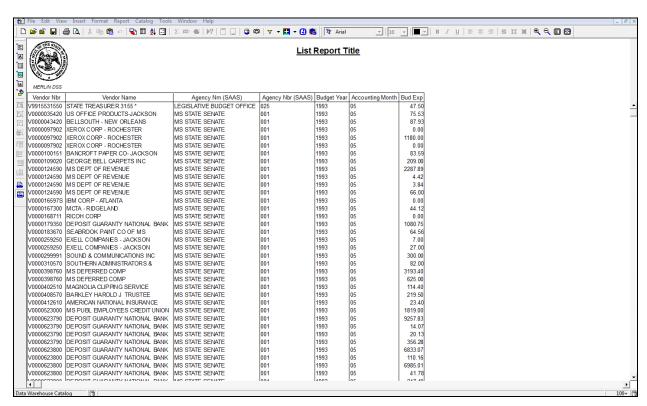
Exercise 2

Create the following vendor payment report for one vendor for all periods in Budget Year 1997. Create a Monthly Total and Grand Total using the Smart Summary feature, and add text frames to label the totals.

	Your Action	System Response
1.	Choose the New button on the Power	The Impromptu Report Wizard screen will
	Bar.	appear
2.	Choose the Next button.	
3.	Select the List Report and choose Next .	The Catalog box showing the highest-level folders contained within the catalog will appear.

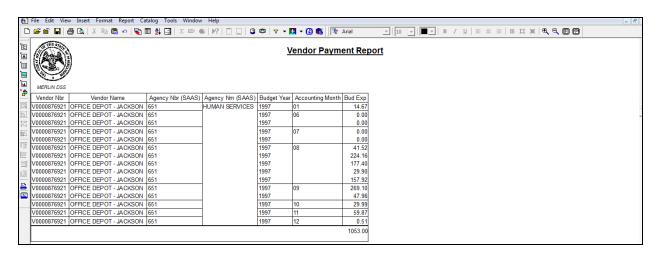
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Your Action	System Response
4. Add columns to your report.	
Expand the Training folder.	
Expand the Vendor/Fund/Major Obj folder.	
5. Add the following columns to the Query	
Data Box:	
Vendor Nbr Vendor Name Agency Nm (SAAS) Agency Nbr (SAAS) Budget Year Accounting Month Bud Exp	
6. Choose Finish .	The report will appear.

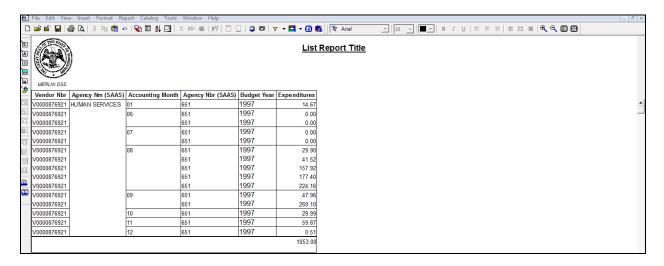


	Your Action	System Response
1.	Sort the data by Bud Exp amount in	
	descending order.	
2.	Group the data by Agency Name (SAAS)	
	and Accounting Month.	
3.	Filter the data to the vendor name	
	OFFICE DEPOT – JACKSON, Budget	
	Year 1997, and Agency Number 651.	
4.	Select OK .	The following report will appear.

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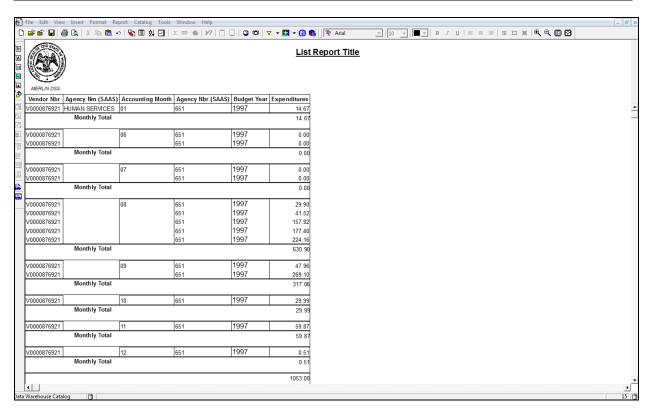
	Your Action	System Response
5.	Edit and format the report	The report will be displayed.
	Delete the Vendor Name column. Move the Accounting Month column next to the Agency Name column. Rename the Bud Exp Amt column to Expenditures .	
	Make all Column heading bold by clicking on the first column and control click on the others to highlight.	
	Select Bold on the Power Bar. Change the font to a larger size.	



	Your Action	System Response
6.	Create a SmartSummary	The report will be displayed.
	Select the Expenditures column. Select the Total power Button.	

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Your Action	System Response
7. Insert the words Monthly Total in the	
group footer	
Select the Text Frame button on the	
Power Bar.	
Click in the footer.	
Drag the text frame icon to make a	
rectangle.	
Type Monthly Total .	
Highlight Monthly Total and select Bold	
on the Power Bar.	
Press the ESC Key.	



Your Action	System Response
8. Add text frames for an Agency Total and	
a Grand Total.	
9. Modify the title .	
10. Save the report as My Second Report	
and close the report.	

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Creating a Filter with the PowerButton

Use the filter button on the Power Bar to quickly perform simple filter operations such as showing Vendor Payment Hold indicated with a "Y." To create a basic filter using the Power Bar button:

Your Action	System Response
Select a data item or CTRL + click to	
select multiple items.	
Click the button on the Power Bar.	

Impromptu retrieves records based on the data values you selected; all other data is filtered out of the query.

More Easy Ways to Create Filters using the PowerButton

The filter power includes a drop down button that allows you access to a variety of filter options from the filter definition dialog box.

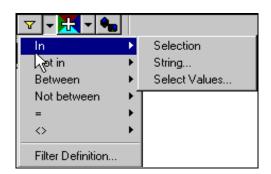
Your Action		System Response
1.	Select one or more values in a column.	
2.	Select the Filter drop-down button.	A drop-down menu will appear.



	Your Action	System Response
3.	Select a filter operator from the	Note: The contents of the Filter drop-down
	drop-down menu:	menu vary depending on the columns you select to filter on.
	To filter on the selected values, select In .	
	To filter out the selected values, select	
	Not In.	
	To filter the selection on a given range, select Between .	
	To filter out the selection on a given range, select Not Between .	
	To filter the selection based on one or more values, select an operator such as	
	=, <>, <, <=, >, >=.	

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	Your Action	System Response
4.	Position the cursor over the arrow that	
	appears at the right of the drop-down	
	menu. A fly-out menu appears.	
5.	From the fly-out menu that lists available	Note : The contents of the Filter fly-out
	options, do one of the following:	menu vary depending on the columns you select to filter on.
	To filter a report on one or more data	
	items currently highlighted, select Selection .	
	To enter one or more numbers upon which to filter, select Number .	
	To enter one or more text strings upon which to filter, select String .	
	To enter one or more dates upon which to filter, select Date .	
	To enter one or more times upon which to filter, select Time .	
	To enter a date and time variable upon which to filter, select Date-time .	
	To enter one or more intervals upon	
	which to filter, select Interval.	
6.	If you chose	
	Selection - the filter is automatically applied to the report.	
	String - the String dialog box appears,	
	where you can enter or select the	
	required item or items and select OK.	
	Select Values - a Select Value dialog box	
	appears, where you can select the	
	required item from the list provided.	



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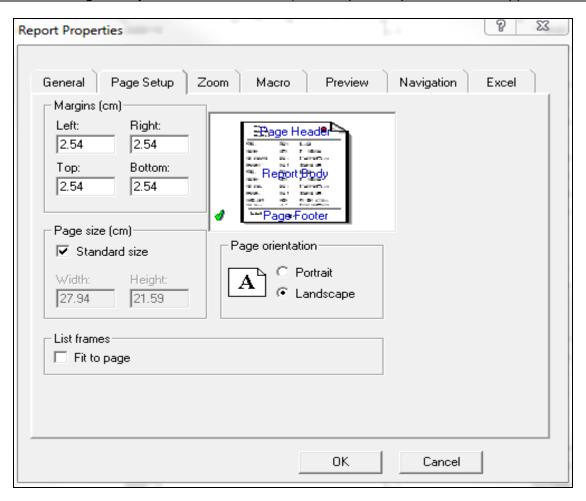
Creating a Calculation

A calculation is an expression that calculates a new data item based on existing data items. For example, you can define a calculation that creates a column summarizing Bud Exp Amt and Non Exp Amt. To create a calculation, select *Calculation* from the Insert menu and place the pointer at the new column location. A Dialog box opens with options for entering the Name and the calculation expression. Components you can use in the expression are listed in the *Options* box. Operators that you can use in the expression are below the *Expression* box as buttons. Use the Delete or Backspace key if you make a mistake.

Fit a Wide List Report to a Page

You can automatically scale down a wide list report by utilizing the "Fit to page" option.

	Your Action	System Response
1.	Choose Page Setup from the File menu.	The Report Properties box will appear.



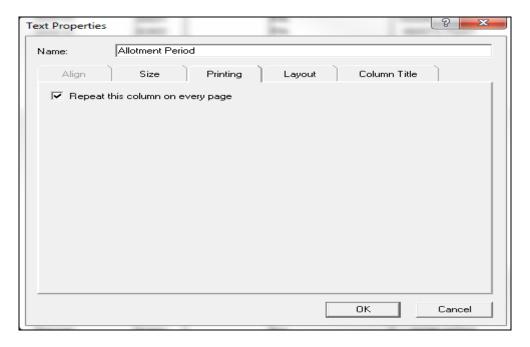
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Your Action	System Response
2. In the List Frames Box, select the "Fit to page" and select OK. Output Description: Output Descriptio	 "Fit to page" does not affect the Page Layout view or Screen Layout view of a report. "Fit to page" scales down a wide list report while maintaining the horizontal/vertical ratio. "Fit to page" should not be used with the Repeat This Column on Every Page option. "Fit to page" check box is available only when working with a list report.

Repeat Column Header on Each Page

If you allow a report to print over subsequent pages, the column information can lose its context. In such a case, you can repeat column heading on subsequent pages so that the data retains the desired context.

	Your Action	System Response
1.	Select one or more columns in your report.	
2.	Choose Properties from the Format menu and select the Printing Tab.	The Text Properties box will appear.



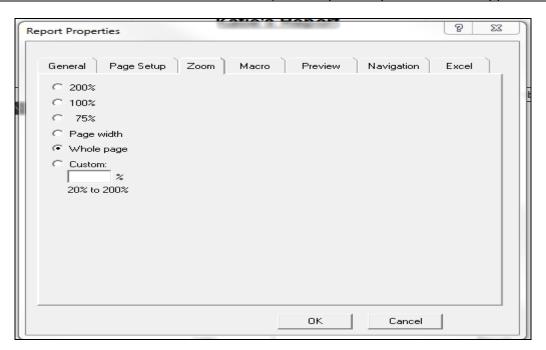
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	Your Action	System Response
3.	Select the Repeat this column on every	
	page and select OK.	

Insert a Report Header on Each Page

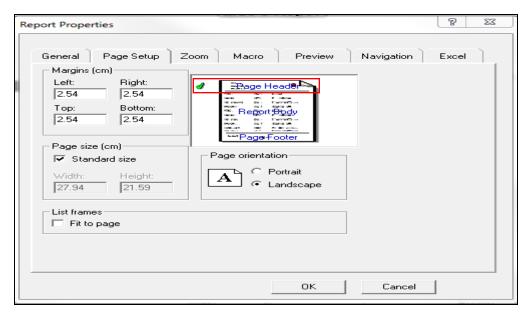
You can easily have a report header print on each page of the report when needed for a point of reference by following these steps:

	Your Action	System Response
1.	Choose Page Layout from the View	
	menu.	
2.	Choose Boundary Lines from the View	
	menu.	
3.	Choose Zoom from the View menu.	The Report Properties box will appear.



	Your Action	System Response
4.	Select the Whole page and select OK .	
5.	Choose Page Setup from the File menu.	

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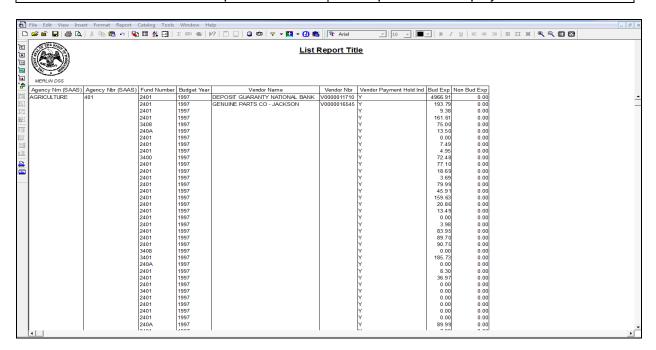
	Your Action	System Response
6.	Select Page Header and select OK.	
7.	Select the Header area of your report and	
	click and drag to enlarge the Header	
	area.	
	If your report does not have a text box with header information create a text box for you report header. If your report already has a text box with header information, and you want the text box to appear in the header, simply select the text box and drag into the header area. Other objects, such as the State of MS seal may also be added to the header by selecting the item and dragging it to the header area. Once you have moved items to the header, you may delete the box by: Selecting the area where the report text box header information was moved from (this will highlight the area). Depressing the Delete key	
8.	Return report to its original layout.	
9.	Choose Screen Layout from the View	
	menu.	
10.	Choose Boundary Lines from the View	
	menu.	
11.	Choose Zoom from the View menu and select 100% .	

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Exercise 3

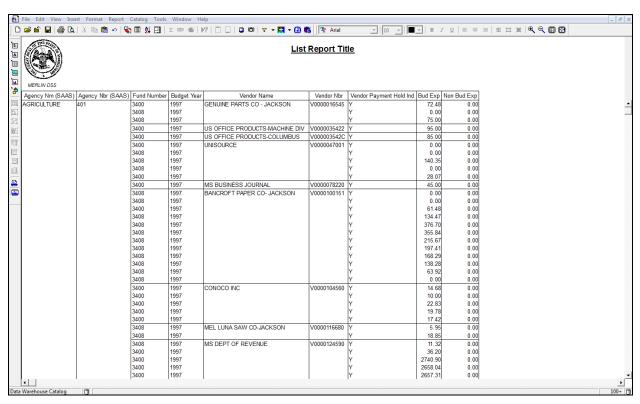
Create a Vendor Report to show only vendors with a Payment Hold of Y for Fund Numbers 3400 and 3408. Include subtotals and totals of Budget Expenditure Amount and create a column for Total Expenditures. Your report should appear as shown below.

	Your Action	System Response
1.	Select New button on the Power Bar.	
2.	Add columns to the report from the	
	Vendor/Fund/Major Obj folder:	
	Agency Nm (SAAS)	
	Agency Nbr (SAAS)	
	Fund Number	
	Budget Year	
	Vendor Name	
	Vendor Nor	
	Vendor Payment Hold Ind	
	Bud Exp	
_	Non Bud Exp	
3.	Group the report by:	
	A manage Alba (C.A.A.C.)	
	Agency Nbr (SAAS)	
	Associate Agency Nm (SAAS) Vendor Nbr	
	Vendor Nor Vendor Name	
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4.	Filter the report so that only vendors with	
	a payment hold indicated by Y are	
	reported for Budget Year 1997, Agency	
_	Number 401.	The report will be displayed
ວ.	Select OK to retrieve the report.	The report will be displayed.



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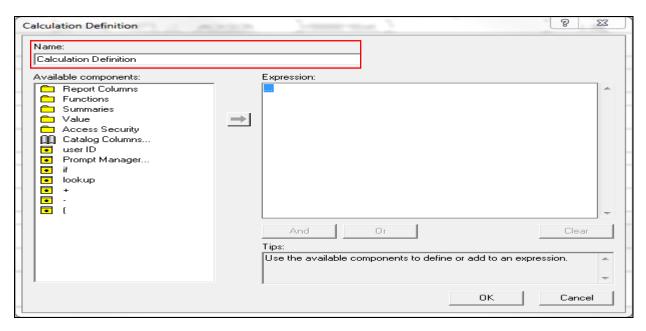
	Your Action	System Response
6.	Filter the Fund Number for 3400 and 3408 .	The following report will appear.
	Select 3400 in the Fund Number column. Control Click to select 3408 in the Fund Number column. Select the Select down error from the drop down menu and choose In . From the fly-out menu, choose Selection .	



	Your Action	System Response
7.	Insert footer and create a subtotal by Vendor.	
	Choose a value under Vendor Number column. Choose the Footer button on the Power Bar. Choose a value on the Bud Exp Column. Choose the Total button on the Power Bar.	
8.	Add a text frame for the Subtotal footer.	

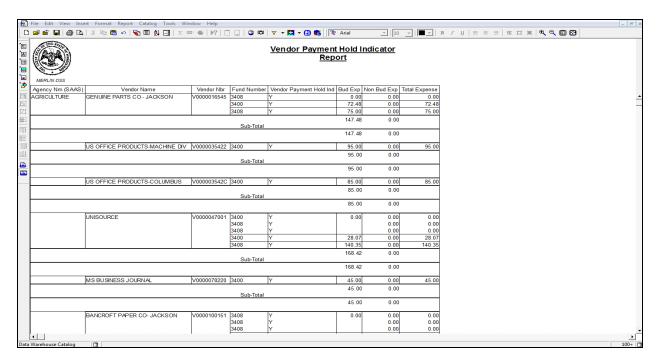
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	Your Action	System Response
9.	Create a calculated column to sum the two Expenditures columns.	The Calculation Definition box will appear.
	Choose Calculation from Insert menu. Click to the right of Non Bud Exp.	



Your Action	System Response
Continued.	The report showing the Total Expense
	Column will appear.
Type Total Expense in the Name box.	
Open Report Columns.	
Double click the Bud Exp .	
Double click the + sign.	
Open Functions.	
Double click if null-numeric.	
Open Report Columns.	
Double click Non Bud Exp .	
Double click number .	
Choose OK .	
10. Delete the Agency Nbr (SAAS) and	
Budget Year columns.	
11. Move the Fund Number column to the	
right of the Vendor Nbr column.	
12. Add the title Vendor Payment Hold	
Indicator Report.	

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Your Action	System Response
13. Save report as My Third Report and	
close report.	

Aligning Objects in a Report

When footers are added to a report, there is an easy way to align data items. After choosing Align from the Format menu, a Dialog box opens. Select the Align tab. There is a Vertical box for setting the vertical alignment of the report objects and a Horizontal box to set the horizontal alignment of the report objects.

Exercise 4

Create a report for Wildlife Fisheries and Parks showing expenditures grouped by funds for budget year 1997. Include totals only for each fund and a grand total.

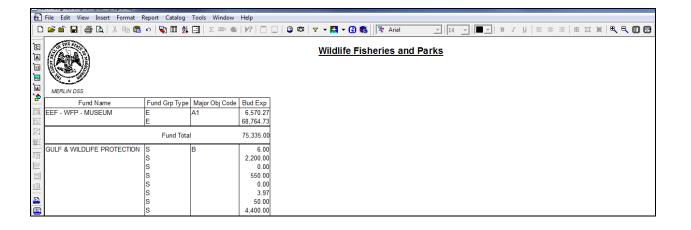
Note: You will receive a warning on this exercise about exceeding the 10,000 rows limit. When you receive this warning, click Yes to continue.

Your Action	System Response
1. Choose the New button on the Power	
Bar.	

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	Your Action	System Response
2.	Add the following columns to the report	
	from the Fund/Object folder.	
	Agency Nbr (SAAS)	
	Agency Nm (SAAS)	
	Fund Name	
	Fund Grp Type	
	Fund Number	
	Budget Year	
	Major Obj Code Bud Exp	
	Non Bud Exp	
3	Filter the report by:	
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	Agency Number = 464	
	Budget Year = 1997	
4.	Group the report by Fund Name and by	
	Major Object Code.	
	Choose OK .	
5.	Delete the Agency Nbr (SAAS) , Agency	
	Nm (SAAS), Fund Number, Budget	
	Year and Non Bud Exp columns.	
6.	Format the report.	
	Click a value under Bud Exp.	
	Choose Data from the format menu.	
	Choose #,##0.00 from the Positive drop	
	down menu.	
7.	Create a Total for each Fund.	
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	Click on a value under Fund Name.	
	Click Footer on the PowerBar.	
	Click a value under Bud Exp.	
	Click the Total button on the PowerBar.	
8.	Align the Total.	
	Highlight a Total value.	
	Choose Align from the Format Menu.	
	Click the first drop down menu in the	
	Horizontal Alignment drop down box and review the selected alignment.	
	Click OK.	
9.	Save and Close	The following report appears.
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