

# General Report Writer - Basic Version 6.x

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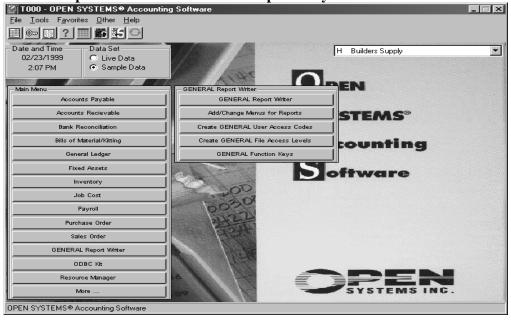
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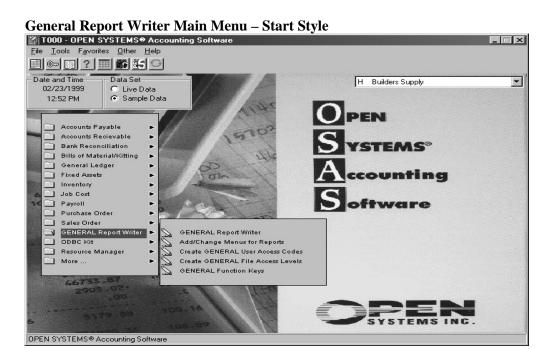
## **OVERVIEW**

General Report Writer is a powerful report-writing tool, which allows you to create a wide range of reports, from basic to complex, using your Open Systems data. This introductory course is designed to familiarize the user with the functions of General Report Writer and report creation.





## **General Report Writer Menus**



## **Use the General Report Writer functions to:**

- Create Reports in Prompt or Link modes
- Run Reports from the Stack or Run menus
- Add or edit the Data Dictionaries
- Add or edit the Users setup in General Report Writer
- Edit the configuration of General Report Writer

## **Use the Add/Change Menus for Reports function to:**

Add reports created in General Report Writer to OSAS application menus

## Use the Create GENERAL User Access Codes function to:

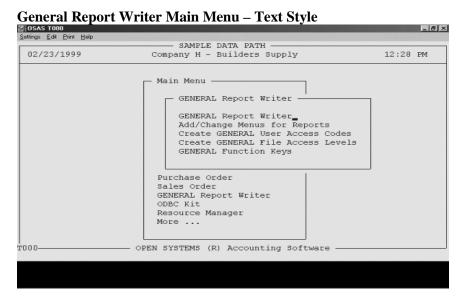
1. Copy Access Code names from Resource Manager to General Report Writer

## Use the Create GENERAL File Access Levels function to:

2. Setup Access Levels for application data dictionaries used in General Report Writer.

## **Use the GENERAL Function Keys function to:**

3. Change the Function Key assignments in General Report Writer to match Open Systems



Before using General Report Writer there are some background details to keep in mind.

- All data dictionaries, report instructions, and access codes for General Report Writer are stored in the GEN4MST file, which is in the RWdata directory in your OSAS directory.
- The GEN4MST file is created with Resource Manager. <sup>1</sup>
- General Report Writer ships with several pre-defined reports for each application<sup>2</sup>.
- The data dictionaries and sample reports are merged into the GEN4MST file when an application is installed.<sup>3</sup>
- There are no company specific reports created in General Report Writer. A report created
  in one company will be available for all companies, and a report created in the sample
  company will be available in the live companies.
- Access codes in Resource Manager do not automatically carry over to General Report
  Writer and will have to be setup in General Report Writer if used in OSAS and you want
  to limit the users access to certain data dictionary files and reports.
- Some Function Keys in General Report Writer have different assignments from the Function Keys in OSAS.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> If you are using version 5.2x or earlier the GEN4MST file is created when you install General Report Writer.

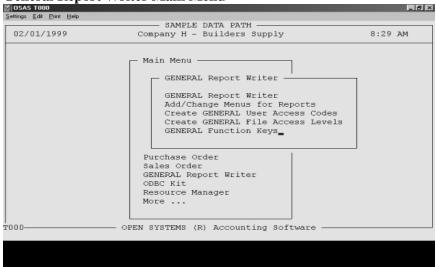
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> There are no General Report Writer reports for EIS, Print Manager or ODBC.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> If you are using version 5.1x, the sample reports and data dictionaries have a separate installation diskette, which has to be installed after General Report Writer is installed.

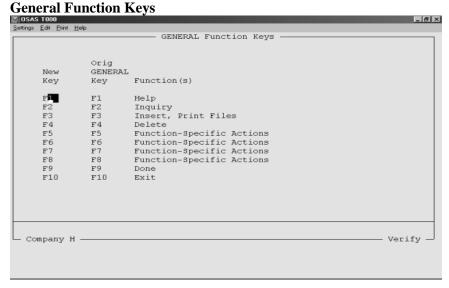
## **General Function Keys**

The function keys assignments in General are different from the function keys in OSAS.

General Report Writer Main Menu



To change the function keys to be more along the lines of the OSAS function keys, select General Function Keys from the General Report Writer main menu.



The General Function Keys screen is displayed.

| <u>Field</u>     | <u>Description</u>   |
|------------------|--|
| New Key          | Select the function key you want to change for General Report Writer functions.    |
|                  | Each function key must have a unique assignment.                                   |
| Orig General Key | The original or default function key assigned for General Report Writer functions. |
| Function(s)      | The description the function key assignment is in General Report Writer.           |

To change function keys perform the following:

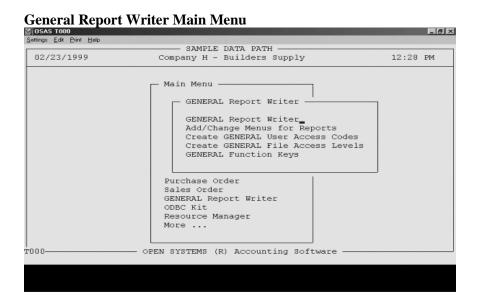
Arrow down to the first key you want to change, type in the new function key number.

Arrow done to the second key you want change, type in the new function key number.

Use the **Proceed** command, **PgDn** or **Escape P**, to save your changes.

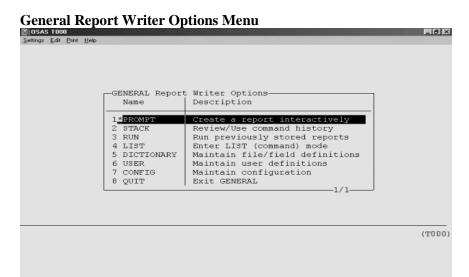
**Note:** You do not have to change the function keys. General Report Writer will display across the bottom of the screen what each function key assignment is, depending on the screen you are on in General Report Writer.

## GENERAL REPORT WRITER



To create reports in General Report Writer, select General Report Writer from the General Report Writer main menu.

## **General Report Writer Options Menu**



The General Report Writer Options Menu is displayed

| Menu Selection | Function |
|----------------|----------|
|                |          |

F1-help, F7-exit GENERAL

| Prompt     | Creates a report interactively with a menu driven systems. Each section of the report has a menu option and General Report Writer prompts you to save information before exiting any function. |
|------------|--|
| Stack      | List the last 18 report runs. Reports can be edited and executed in List mode, saved to the Run menu or deleted.   |
|            | Any changes made in Stack will not affect the Prompt mode of the report.   |
| Run        | Executes reports saved to the Run menu from Prompt, Stack or List modes. Reports can be edited in List mode, or deleted.   |
|            | Any changes made in Run will not affect the Prompt mode of the report.   |
| List       | Create reports in the command mode. This mode is not as user friendly as Prompt mode, but is more powerful. This mode allows for maximum efficiency with minimum keystrokes.                   |
|            | The List mode is NOT supported by Open Systems Technical Support.  |
| Dictionary | Add or maintain the data dictionary items used for reports.  |
| User       | Add or maintain General Report Writer User access names and codes.   |
| Config     | Edit or maintain the configuration of General Report Writer.   |
| Quit       | Exits the General Report Writer Option menu.   |

## **Creating Reports**

There are 3 basic steps in creating a report in General Report Writer.

- 1. Planning the Report Decide what you want on the report. The fields, the order of the fields, if you need to create any special fields, and how you want to limit the information returned on the report.
- 2. Creating the Report The first time you create the report, you should create the full report without any special formatting or limitations. This will allow you to see if the report has been created correctly and if it is returning the correct information.
- 3. Formatting the Report After you are sure the report is correct, you can format the report to look a specific way, set up break, sort and criteria fields, and format the report headers and footers.

| <br>Accounts Receivable/Sales Order Report – Customer List |
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**Customer List Report** 

|    | GPD                        | Descr   | Last Date 12/21/1999 12/06/1999   |  |  | Invoice  |
|----|----------------------------|---|---|--|--|--|
|    | GPD                        | 2PCT<br>2/10,n/30<br>COD  | 12/21/1999  |  |  |  |
|    | carry 1. Beacon            | COD   | 12/06/1999  |  |  | 110952.25  |
|    |                            |   | 12/00/1339  | 66487.23   | 4  | 16621.81   |
|    |                            | COD<br>C.O.D.   | 12/20/1999  | 108136.59  | 5  | 21627.32   |
|    |                            | COD<br>C.O.D.   | 12/01/1999  | 138196.60  | 5  | 27639.32   |
|    |                            | COD<br>C.O.D.   | 12/15/1999  | 522780.14  | 8  | 65347.52   |
|    |                            | COD<br>C.O.D.   |   | .00  | 0  | 0.00   |
| TX | DMM<br>Donna M Mendelsohn  | 1PCT<br>1/10,n/30   | 12/25/1999  | 367487.14  | 8  | 45935.89   |
| NY | PRT<br>Patrick R Thomassen | COD<br>C.O.D.   |   |  |  |  |
| MO |                            |   |   |  |  |  |
| CA |                            |   |   |  |  |  |
|    | Patrick R Thomassen        | 1/10,n/30   |   |  |  |  |
|    |                            | 2/10,n/30   | 12/19/1999  |  |  |  |
| DE |                            | 2/10,n/30   |   |  |  |  |
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This is an example of the report we will create.



## **Planning the Report**

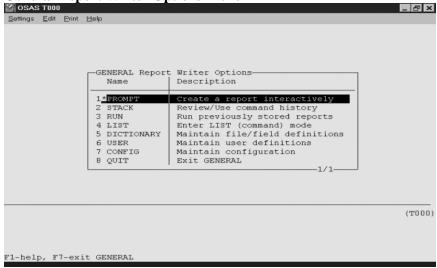
This report will be a customer list.

The fields for this report will be the Customer ID, Customer Name, the State the customer is in, the Sales Rep Id for the customer and the sales rep name, the terms for the customer and the terms description, the last sale date, the total sales year to date and the total invoices year to date. We will also create a calculation for the average invoice amount, which is the Sales Year to Date divided by the Invoices Year to Date.

We will add breaks, sorts and criteria fields to format and limit the information on the report.

## **Creating the Report**

**General Report Writer Options Menu** 



Select Prompt from the GENERAL Report Writer Options Menu.

Report Design Screen - Report Name Settings Edit Print Help Report Name: AR\_CLASS1 Title/Description: File: Report/Export: Width: Height: Across: Length: Output: Alternate Sort: Begin with: End with: Line Break: Print Blanks: Paginate: Test Patterns: Double Space: Vertical Totals: Tabulate/Plot: Recap Page: Print Detail: Col Heading: Copies: (T000) Is this a new definition? Selection: No **Fes** Copy F7-Exit without selection

Prompt is displayed the Report Design screen. (See Appendix D for more information)

This screen can be considered the header screen of the report.

## Field Description

Report Name

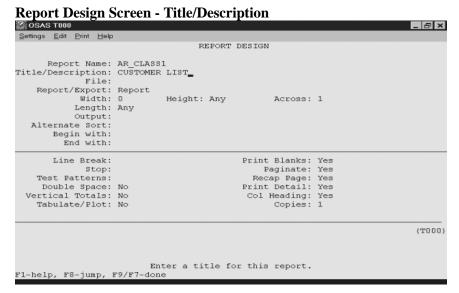
Enter the name of the report. This is name General Report Writer uses to recognize the report and not the name that prints on the heading of the report.

The name can be 1-20 characters long and cannot contain spaces, dashes, or symbols. Letters, numbers, periods and underscores are allowed.

If the name entered is not found, General Report Writer will ask if it is a new report definition, and offer an option to copy the definition from and existing report.

You can use the list reports function key to select an existing report.

Enter AR\_CLASS1 for this report.



## Field Description

Title/Description Enter the description or title for this report. This name prints on the report heading.

The Title/Description can be 1-40 characters long.

### Enter Customer List for this report.

Report Design Screen - File Settings Edit Print Help REPORT DESIGN Report Name: AR\_CLASS1 Title/Description: CUSTOMER LIST File: ARCU
Report/Export: Report
Width: 0
Length: Any Height: Any Across: 1 Output: Alternate Sort: Begin with: End with: Line Break: Print Blanks: Yes Stop: Test Patterns: Paginate: Yes Recap Page: Yes Print Detail: Yes Col Heading: Yes Double Space: No Vertical Totals: No Tabulate/Plot: No Copies: 1 (T000) Enter a file name or wildcard for this report. F1-help, F2-list files, F8-jump, F9/F7-done

### Field Description

File Enter the central or primary file for the report.

The file selected will control the fields, links, sorts and criteria for the report.

Report Design Screen - List Files Settings Edit Print Help REPORT DESIGN Report Name: AR\_CLASS1 Title/Description: CUSTOMER LIST File: Re\_File List 1 ARBT Batch Control File Customer Comments File
Codes File - Terms Codes
Codes File - GL Codes
Codes File - Shipping Methods
Codes File - Distribution Codes
Cash Receipts File 2 ARCC 3 ARCD 1 Alt 4 ARCD\_2 5 ARCD\_3 6 ARCD\_4 7 ARCR 9\*ARCU Customer File Double Space: No Print Detail: Yes Vertical Totals: No Tabulate/Plot: No Col Heading: Yes Copies: 1 (T000)

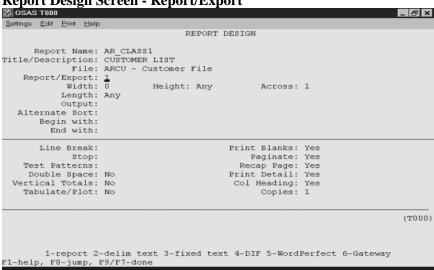
The list files function is available to select the file.

Wildcard of \* is available. **Example:** AR\* will list all the Accounts Receivable files.

Select the ARCU file for this report.

F1-help, F7-exit without selection

Report Design Screen - Report/Export

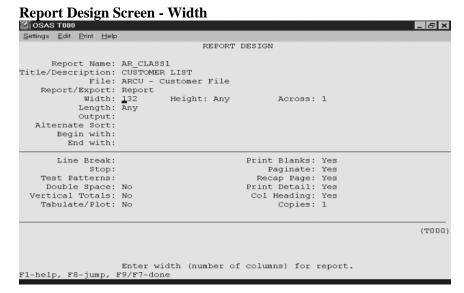


### Field Description

Report/Export Enter the output format of the report.

- 1 if this is a report with columnar formatting.
- 2 for a comma delimited ASCII file export.
- 3 for a fixed position delimited ASCII file export.
- 4 for a Data Interchange Format (DIF) export.
- 5 for a WordPerfect merge format export.
- 6 Gateway does not work with OSAS software.

Select 1 – Report, for this report



#### Field **Description**

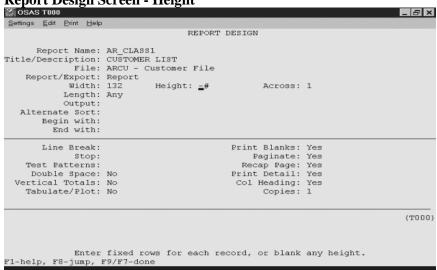
Width Enter the number of columns across the report. The default is 132.

> The width of the report is compared to the standard and compressed columns setup for the printers in OSAS.

If the printer's width is less than the width of the report, that printer will not be available for use when printing this report.

Accept the default of 132 for this report.

Report Design Screen - Height



#### **Field Description**

Height Enter the maximum number of lines each record can occupy on the report.

> If this field is left blank or 0 General Report Writer will use the data to determine the number of lines to print on the report.

Accept the default of Any for this report.

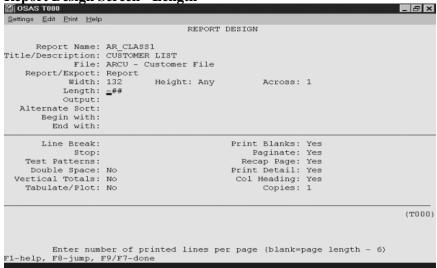
**Report Design Screen - Across** \_ B x Settings Edit Print Help Report Name: AR\_CLASS1 Title/Description: CUSTOMER LIST File: ARCU - Customer File Report/Export: Report Width: 132 Across: 1 Height: Any Length: Any Output: Alternate Sort: Begin with: End with: Print Blanks: Yes Paginate: Yes Recap Page: Yes Print Detail: Yes Col Heading: Yes Line Break: Test Patterns:
Double Space: No
Vertical Totals: No
Tabulate/Plot: No Col Heading: Yes Copies: 1 (T000) Enter records per line (often used for labels). F1-help, F8-jump, F9/F7-done

## Field Description

Across Enter the number of records to print across the page per line. The default is 1.

Accept the default of 1, for this report.

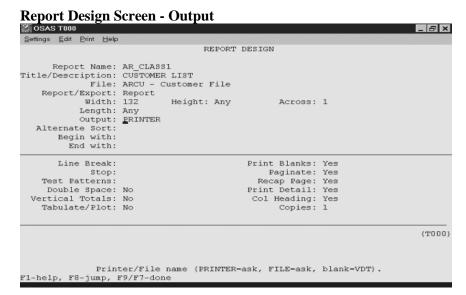
Report Design Screen - Length



## <u>Field</u> <u>Description</u>

Length Enter the number of lines to print per page. The default is 66 for a standard 11-inch sheet of paper. Three lines at the top and bottom are left blank for the margins.

Accept the default of Any for this report.



## Field Description

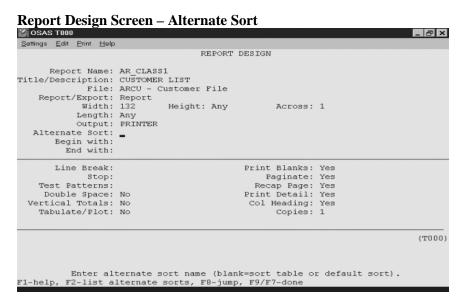
Output Enter the standard output device for this report.

**Printer** gives you the option to select the printers setup in OSAS based on the width of the report and the printers. You can also print to a file or to the screen.

File will prompt for a path and file name for the output.

Blank will always print to the screen.

Select Printer for this report.

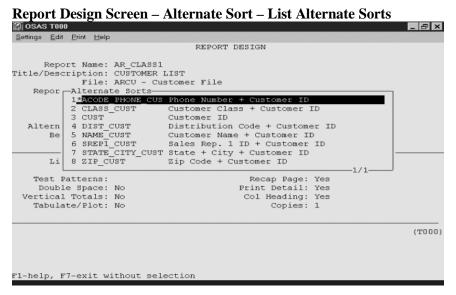


## Field Description

Alternate Sort Select any of the Altsorts or Altkeys, if any, setup in Dictionary for the file.

The report will then be sorted by an alternate key to the file.

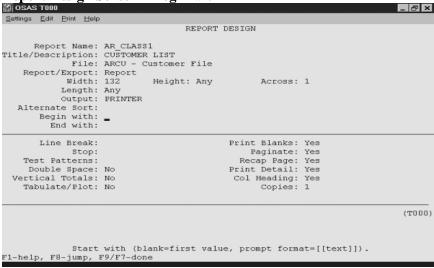
If no sort is selected the report will sort by the primary key to the file



You can use the list alternate sorts key to select the sort.

Leave the Altsort field blank for this report.

Report Design Screen - Begin with



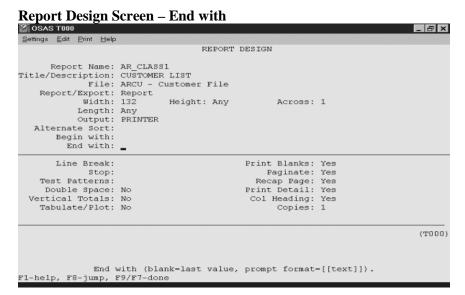
### Field Description

Begin with

By default, General Report Writer starts searching for data for the report with the first record in the file. To start processing the report with a certain record, instead of the first record in the file, enter a starting point. This is based on the primary sort of the file or the alternate sort if one is selected. The report starts processing at the first record matching or after this entry.

If left blank the report will process from the beginning of the file.

Leave the field blank for this report.



#### Field **Description**

End with

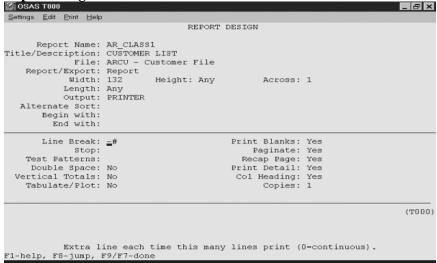
By default, General Report Writer ends searching for data for the report with the last record in the file. To end processing the report with a certain record, instead of the last record in the file, enter an ending point. This is based on the primary sort of the file or the alternate sort if one is selected. The report ends processing at the first record matching or after this entry.

If left blank the report will process to the end of the file.

Leave this field blank for this report.

Report Design Screen – Line Break

OSAS T000 Settings Edit Print Help



#### Field **Description**

Line Break To generate a blank line every *n* lines, enter the number, from 2 to 99.

Leave blank if you want to print a continuous report.

Leave this field blank for this report.

Report Design Screen – Stop \_ B x Settings Edit Print Help Report Name: AR\_CLASS1 Title/Description: CUSTOMER LIST File: ARCU - Customer File Report/Export: Report Width: 132 Height: Any Across: 1 Length: Any Output: PRINTER Alternate Sort: Begin with: End with: Print Blanks: Yes Paginate: Yes Recap Page: Yes Print Detail: Yes Col Heading Line Break: Stop: \_### Test Patterns:
Double Space: No
Vertical Totals: No
Tabulate/Plot: No Col Heading: Yes Copies: 1 (T000) Stop after this many records (0=full report). F1-help, F8-jump, F9/F7-done

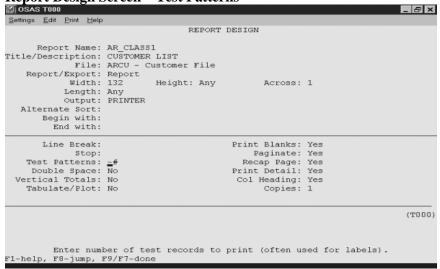
## <u>Field</u> <u>Description</u>

Stop To stop the report after a certain number of records, enter a number, from 1 to 9999.

Blank will print a full report.

Leave this field blank for this report.

**Report Design Screen – Test Patterns** 



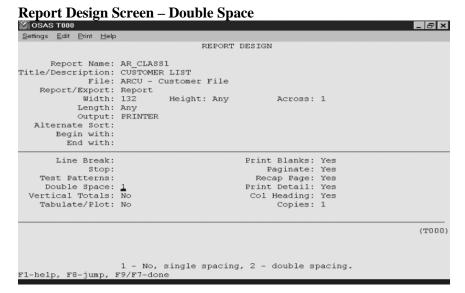
## <u>Field</u> <u>Description</u>

Test Patterns Enter the number records, from 1 to 99, to use to print a text pattern before the actual data is printed.

Test records are printed with \*'s. After the test pattern prints you are given the option to

rest records are printed with \*'s. After the test pattern prints you are given the option to reprint the test pattern, print the report, or exit.

Leave this field blank for this report.



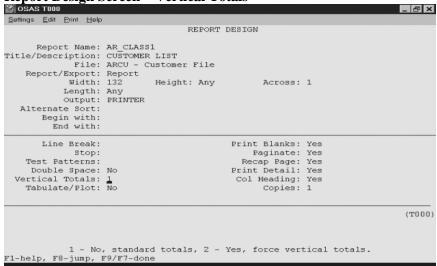
## Field Description

Double Space Select if there will be double or single spacing between each line on the report.

Select 1-No, for single spacing, 2-Yes, for double spacing.

Select 1 for single spacing for this report.

Report Design Screen – Vertical Totals



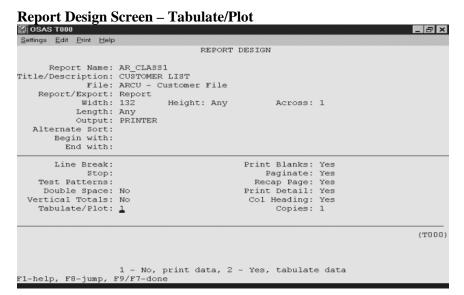
## Field Description

Vertical Totals Forces any footer to format totals in a vertical or table format. By default, General

Report Writer will try to print the footer totals below the respective fields.

Select 1-No, for standard totals, 2-Yes for forced vertical totals.

Select 1 for No, for this report.



## Field Description

Tabulate/Plot Prints a cross tabulation or summary report rather than the normal columnar report.

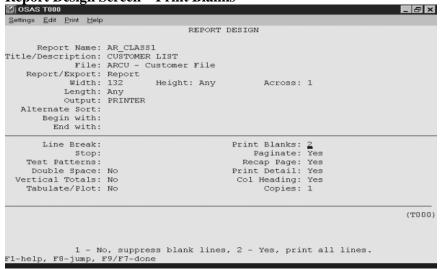
Cross-tabulation reports create a summary table display based on one or two break points, and column calculations.

You must have at least on break point and one column calculation to use this option.

Select 1-No for standard columnar report, 2-Yes for tabulated report.

## Select 1 for No, for this report.

Report Design Screen - Print Blanks

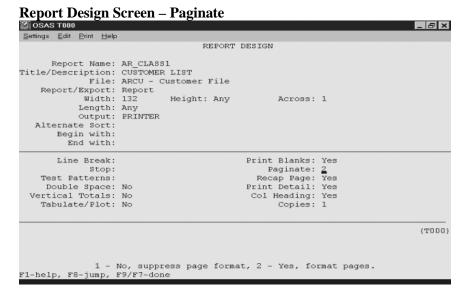


### <u>Field</u> <u>Description</u>

Print Blanks Allows you to suppress printing any blank lines on the report

Select 1-No, to only print lines that contain data on the report, 2-Yes to print all lines specified on the report even if they do not contain data.

Select 2 for Yes for this report.



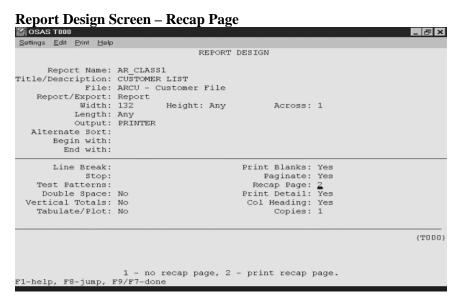
#### Field **Description**

Paginate

Controls if page headers and footers are printed and if the report does any form feeds between pages.

Select 1-No, to print just the data, 2-Yes will print a header at the beginning of the report and a footer at the end.

Select 2 for Yes for this report.



#### **Description** Field

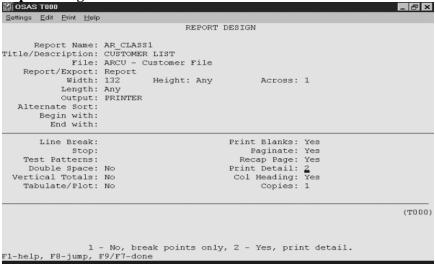
Recap Page Controls whether the list mode summary instructions of the report are printed after the

report.

Select 1-No, to suppress the recap page, 2-Yes to print the recap page.

Select 2 for Yes for this report.

Report Design Screen - Print Detail



### Field Description

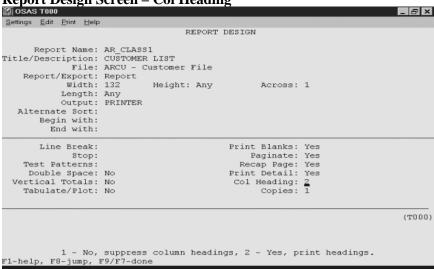
Print Detail Allows you to select if you want to print the full detail of the report or only the report

totals and subtotals.

Select 1-No, to print subtotal and report totals only, 2-Yes will print the full report.

Select 2 for Yes, for this report.

Report Design Screen - Col Heading



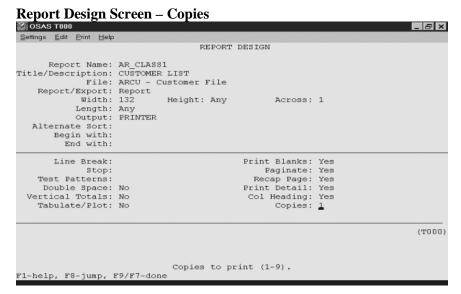
## <u>Field</u> <u>Description</u>

Col Heading You can select if the headings of each column will print on the report.

Select 1-No, to only print the report title on the heading, 2-Yes will print column headings.

If the report heading is customized this option has no effect.

Select Yes to print the column headings.



## Field Description

Copies You can print 1 to 9 copies of the same report, without regenerating the report each time

Select 1 copy for this report.

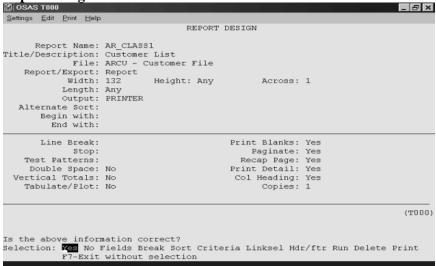
**Report Design Screen - Verification Prompt** Settings Edit Print Help Report Name: AR\_CLASS1 Title/Description: CUSTOMER LIST File: ARCU - Customer File Report/Export: Report Width: 132 Height: Any Across: 1 Length: Any Output: PRINTER Alternate Sort: Begin with: End with: Print Blanks: Yes Line Break: Paginate: Yes Recap Page: Yes Print Detail: Yes Stop: Test Patterns: Double Space: No Vertical Totals: No Col Heading: Yes Copies: 1 Tabulate/Plot: No (T000) Selection: Ses No Fields Break Sort Criteria Linksel Hdr/ftr Run Delete Print F7-Exit without selection

After the report heading defaults are entered, the Verification prompt "Is the above information correct" is displayed.

| <b>Option</b>          | <u>Description</u>   |
|------------------------|--|
| Yes                    | Clears the report name and you can enter in another report or exit the Report Design screen. |
| No                     | Allows you to edit anything from the Title/Description through Copies                        |
| Exit without selection | Allows you to exit without saving any changes made to the Repot Design screen.               |

**Report Design Screen** OSAS T000

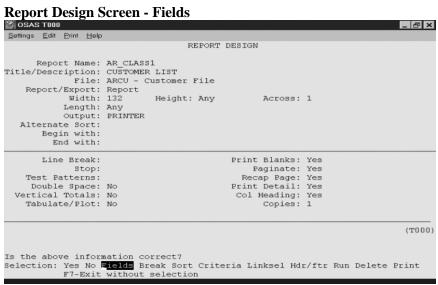
Settings Edit Print Help



You can also enter through other report options.

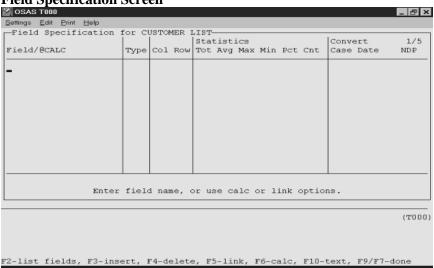
| <b>Command</b> | Action   |
|----------------|--|
| Fields         | Select the data fields for the report. Fields can come from the primary file, or can be calculated, text, or linked fields.  |
| Break          | Select up to 9 fields to generate subtotals. These subtotal fields are called break points. The break points can be a field in the primary file as well as any calculated or linked field on the report.   |
| Sort           | Select up to 9 fields to sort the printed data on the report. Any field in the primary file can be used, as well as any calculated or linked field on the report. Sorts here are used as and alternate to the primary key.   |
| Criteria       | Select how you want to limit or filter the information printed on the report, by imposing selection criteria. You can select up to 60 fields to filter the information with, using And/Or to connect the expressions. Criteria can be based on any field in the primary file, any calculated fields or one-to-one link fields. |
| Linksel        | Criteria for one-to-many link fields   |
| Hdr/ftr        | Customize the headers and footers for the report. Both the report and break levels headers and footers are supported.  |
| Run            | Select this option to compile and execute the report.  |
| Delete         | Select this option to delete the report.   |
| Print          | Select this option to print a hard copy of the report instructions. Linksel information is not printed with this function.   |

## **Selecting Fields**

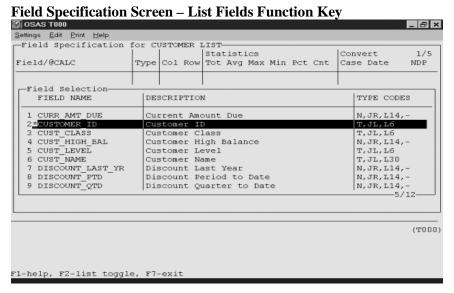


Select **Fields** from the Report Design screen.

**Field Specification Screen** 



| <b>Command</b> | <u>Description</u>   |
|----------------|--|
| List Fields    | Select the function key listed to display and select from a list of fields in the central file.  |
| Insert         | Select the function key listed to insert a blank line.   |
| Delete         | Select the function key listed to delete a field from the report.                                |
| Link           | Select the function key listed to create a linked field on the report.                           |
| Calc           | Select the function key listed to create a calculated field on the report.                       |
| Text           | Select the function key listed to create a text field on the report.                             |
| Done           | Select the function keys listed to display the Verification prompt and exit Field Specification. |



Select the list fields function key to display the fields in the central file.

<u>Field</u> <u>Description</u>

Field Name The name GENERAL Report Writer uses for the field

Description A description of the field.

Type Codes<sup>4</sup> Describes the type of field listed, the length of the field and addition

formatting information.

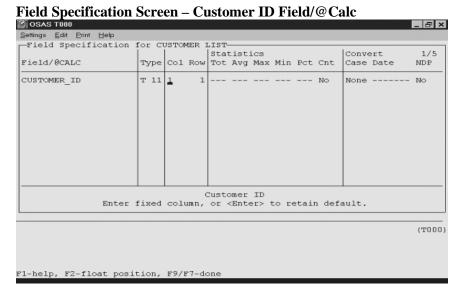
Use the arrow keys and the page up or page down keys to search through the Field Names.

Fields Specification Screen – List Toggle Function Key \_ B x Settings Edit Print Help -Field Specification for CUSTOMER LIST-Fields List-ACCOUNT TYPE AVG\_DAYS\_TO\_PAY\_LY
AVG\_DAYS\_TO\_PAY\_PTD
AVG\_DAYS\_TO\_PAY\_QTD
AVG\_DAYS\_TO\_PAY\_YTD
AVG\_INVOICE\_LY DP ACCOUNT TYPE ADDRESS\_LINE\_1 ADDRESS\_LINE\_2 ADDRESS\_LINE\_3 AGED\_12I\_PLUS AGED\_61\_TO\_60 AGED\_61\_TO\_90 AGED\_1\_TO\_120 AGED\_CURRENT CODE CONTACT COUNTRY\_CODE CRED\_HOLD CRED\_LIMIT CURR\_AMT\_DUE AVG\_INVOICE\_PTD AVG INVOICE PTU AVG INVOICE TD BALANCE DUB BAL 121 PLUS BAL 31 TO 60 BAL 91 TO 120 CAPP NAME CUST\_CLASS CUST\_HIGH\_BAL AGED\_TOTAL\_AMT\_DUE AGING\_DATE CUST\_LEVEL CUST\_NAME DISCOUNT\_LAST\_YR DISCOUNT\_PTD ATTENTION AUTO\_CRED\_HOLD CARD\_NAME AVAILABLE\_CREDIT DISCOUNT OTD CARD NO (T000) F1-help, F2-list toggle, F7-exit

Select the list toggle function key to display a wide format of the Field List.

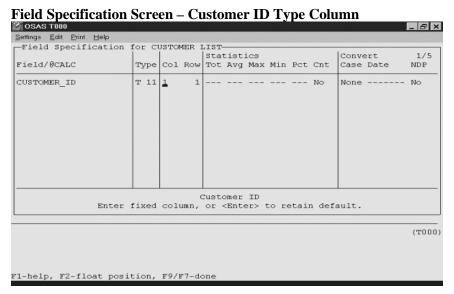
The Field Names display without descriptions or type codes

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> See Appendix A for more information.



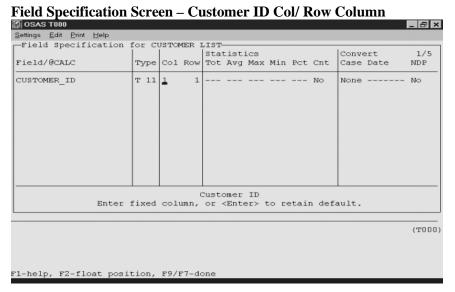
For the Customer List report the first field will be Customer ID.

Use the list fields function key to search for the Customer ID field.

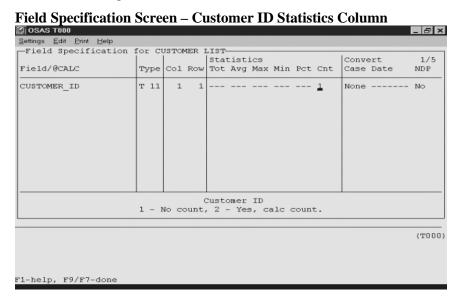


The Type column is displayed the base code (T for Text, D for Date, or N for Numeric), of the field and the length, or number of spaces the field will use on the report.

The Type Codes are setup with the Dictionary function and cannot be changed on the Field Specification screen.



The Col and Row column is displayed the column number and row number in which the field will print. General Report Writer defaults the Col and Row based on the width of the report, set on the Report Design Screen, and the length of the fields that have already been selected. You can change this information to print the field on a different column or row.

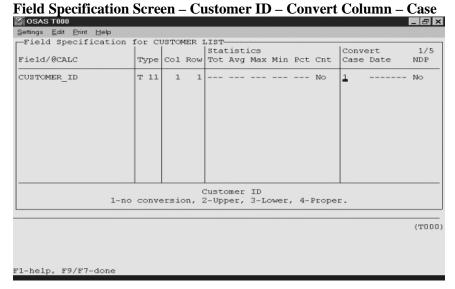


The Statistics column allows you to create report totals, at the end of the report, and subtotals for any break points you add to the report.

For Text fields there is only one option available for statistics.

| <b>Option</b> | <u>Description</u>   |
|---------------|--|
| Cnt           | Counts the number of records in the field and is displayed the number as a |
|               | report total and a subtotal for any break points.                          |

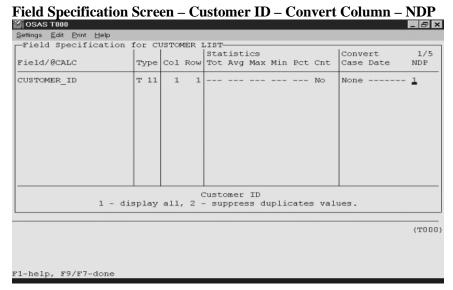
For each option, select 1, for No, if you do not want the total calculated for the report OR 2, for Yes, if you want the system to calculate the optional total.



The Convert column allows you to select how you want the field to display on the report.

The Case convert field allows you to select how text fields will display on the report.

| <b>Option</b>     | <u>Description</u>  |
|-------------------|---|
| 1 – No Conversion | Displays the text as it appears on your system.   |
| 2 – Upper         | Converts all characters to upper case.  |
| 3 – Lower         | Converts all characters to lower case   |
| 4 – Proper        | Looks for spaces and punctuation, and capitalizes the next subsequent letter. All other letters are forced to lower case. |



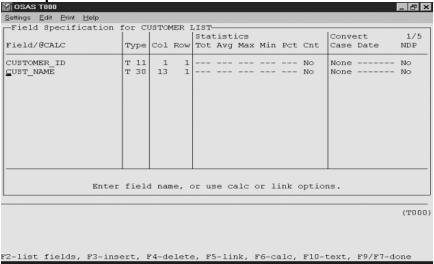
The NDP (No Duplicate Print) convert field allows you to hide repeated values for text and date fields.

Select 1 to display all values or 2 to suppress the duplicate values.

The next field for the report is the Customer Name.

Use the list fields function key to select the CUST\_NAME field.

Field Specification Screen -Customer Name

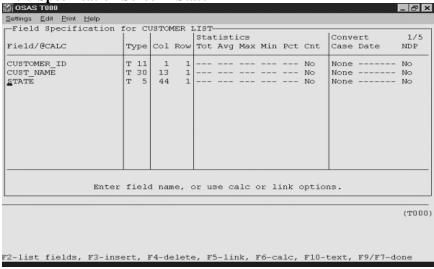


Accept all defaults and enter to a blank Field/@CALC field.

The next field for the report is the State for the customer.

Use the fields function key to select the STATE field.

Field Specification Screen - State

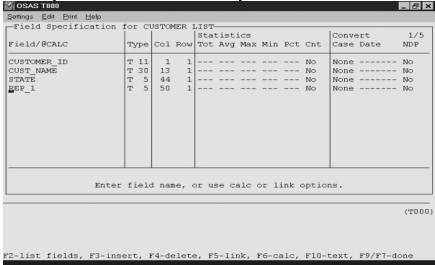


Accept all defaults and enter to a blank Field/@CALC field.

The next field for the report is the Sales Rep for the customer.

Use the list fields function key to select the REP\_1 field.

Fields Specification Screen – Sales Rep 1 ID



Accept all defaults and enter to a blank Field/@CALC field.

The next field for the report is the sales rep name.

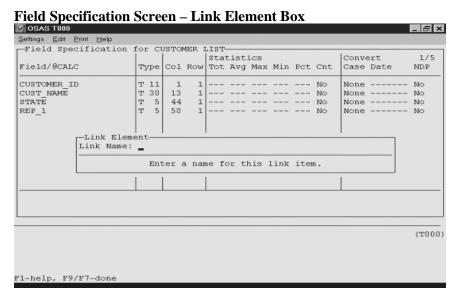
Use the list fields function key to find the Sales Rep Name field.

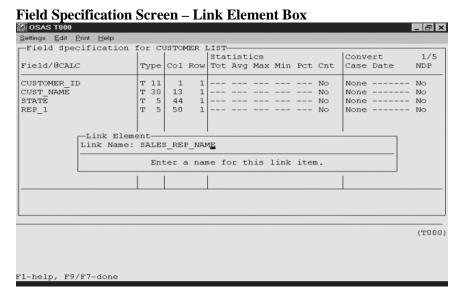
The sales rep name field is not stored in the Customer file (ARCU) so we will have to create a link field to select the sales rep name from a different file.

### Creating a Link Field

1. Select the Link function key to create a link field.

The Link Element box is displayed





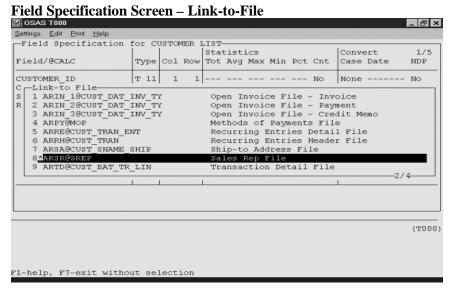
Enter the Link Name; this name is used by you to identify the link, and does not have to be the name of the field being linked.

The Link Name can be 1 to 14 characters long and cannot contain spaces or symbols. Letters, numbers, periods and underscores are allowed.

#### For this report type SALES\_REP\_NAME

The Link-to-File box is displayed.

3. Select the file that contains the field you want for the link.

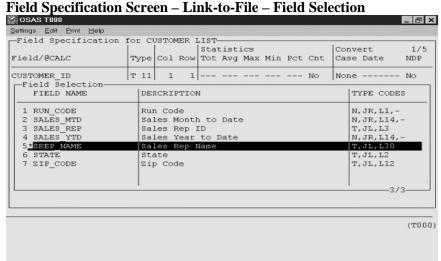


The files are listed in alphabetical order with a description.

The link between the central file and the link to file must be established in Dictionary before you can create a link field on a report.

#### Select the ARSR@SREP file

After the link to file is selected, the Field Selection box is displayed,



4. Select the field you want to use to create the link.

Select the SREP\_NAME field for this report.

F1-help, F2-list toggle, F7-exit

Field Specification Screen - @LINK Field OSAS TOOO \_ & x Settings Edit Print Help -Field Specification for CUSTOMER LIST Statistics Туре Tot Avg Max Min Pct Cnt Case Date CUSTOMER\_ID T 30 T 5 T 5 CUST NAME 1.3 None -----No STATE None REP\_1 @LINKSALES\_REP\_NAME 50 --- --- No None ----None Enter field name, or use calc or link options. (T000) F2-list fields, F3-insert, F4-delete, F5-link, F6-calc, F10-text, F9/F7-done

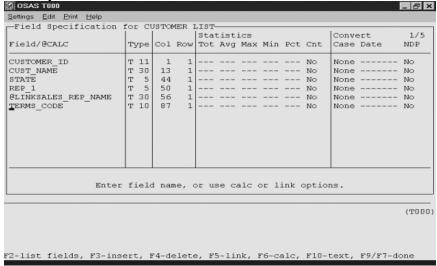
Once the field has been selected, it is added to the Field Specification screen. @LINK is displayed before the Link Name.

Accept all defaults and enter to a blank Field/@CALC field.

The next field for the report is the default terms setup for the customer.

Use the list fields function key to select the TERMS\_CODE field.

Field Specification Screen – Terms Code



Accept all defaults and enter to a blank Field/@CALC field

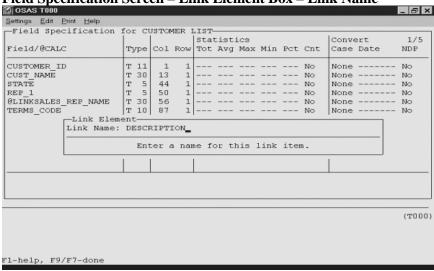
The next field for the report is the description of the term code.

Use the list fields function key to find the terms description field.

The terms description field is not stored in the Customer file (ARCU) so we will have to create a link field to select the description from a different file.

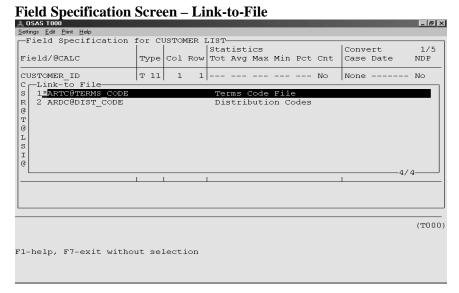
Select the Link function key to create a link field. The Link Element box is displayed

Field Specification Screen – Link Element Box – Link Name



Enter the Link Name.

Enter Description for this link.



The Link-to-File box is displayed.

Select the file that contains the field you want for the link.

Select the ARTC@TERM\_CODE<sup>5</sup> file.

Field Specification Screen - Link-to-File - Field Selection \_ 8 × -Field Specification Statistics Field/@CALC Type Col Row Tot Avg Max Min Pct Cnt Case Date NDP CUSTOMER\_ID
CUST\_NAME
Field Selection
FIELD NAME T 11 T 30 DESCRIPTION TYPE CODES 1\*DESCR T,JL,L13 Description 2 DISC\_DAYS 3 DISC\_PERCENT Discount Days Discount Percentage N,JR,L3,-N,JR,L7,-4 NET\_DUE\_DAYS 5 REG PROX TERMS Net Due Days Regular/Prox Terms N,JR,L3,-T,JL,L1 T,JL,L6 6 TERMS\_CODE Terms Code (T000) F1-help, F2-list toggle, F7-exit

Select the field you want to use to create the link.

Select the DESC field for this report.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> If you are using version 6.0x or lower select the ARCD\_1@TYPE\_CODE file.

F2-list fields, F3-insert, F4-delete, F5-link, F6-calc, F10-text, F9/F7-done

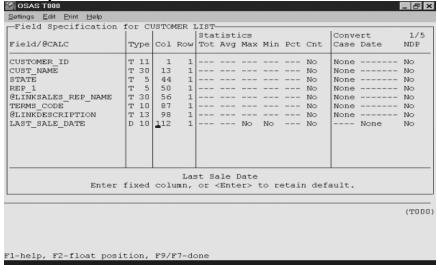
Once the field has been selected, it is added to the Field Specification screen. @LINK is displayed before the Link Name.

Accept all defaults and enter to a blank Field/@CALC field.

The next field for the report is the Last Sales Date.

Use the list fields function key to select the LAST\_SALE\_DATE field.

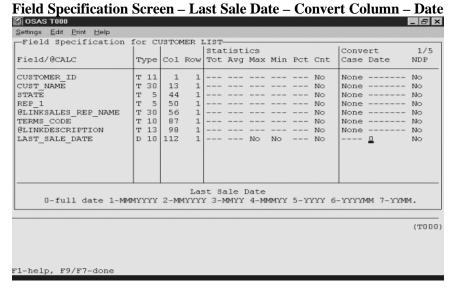
<u>Field Specification Screen – Last Sale Date</u>



For Date fields there are 3 available options in the Statistics column

| <b>Option</b> | <u>Description</u>   |
|---------------|--|
| Max           | Displays the largest number or date for the field as a report total and a subtotal for any break points.                     |
| Min           | Displays the smallest number or date for the field as a report total and a subtotal for any break points.                    |
| Cnt           | Counts the number of records in the field and is displayed the number as a report total and a subtotal for any break points. |

For each option, select 1, for No, if you do not want the total calculated for the report OR 2, for Yes, if you want the system to calculate the optional total.



The Convert column allows you to select how you want the field to display on the report.

The Date convert field allows you to select how the dates fields will display on the report.

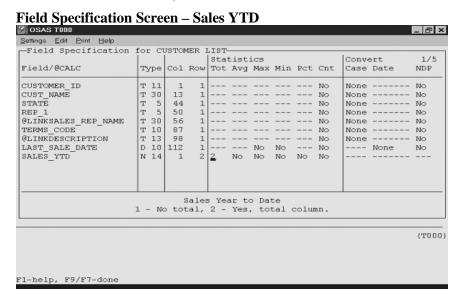
| <b>Option</b> | <b>Description</b>  |  |
|---------------|---|--|
| 0 – Full Date | Displays the full date in MM/DD/YYYY format.                  |  |
|               | Example: January 1, 1999 would display as 01/01/1999          |  |
| 1-MMMYYYY     | Displays the date using a 3-character month and 4-digit year. |  |
|               | Example: JAN/1999   |  |
| 2-MMYYYY      | Displays the date using a 2-digit month and 4-digit year.     |  |
|               | Example: 01/1999  |  |
| 3 - MMYY      | Displays the date using a 2-digit month and 2-digit year.     |  |
|               | Example: 01/99  |  |
| 4-MMMYY       | Displays the date using a 3-character month and 2-digit year. |  |
|               | Example: JAN/99   |  |
| 5 – YYYY      | Displays the 4-digit year only.                               |  |
|               | Example: 1999   |  |
| 6 - YYYYMM    | Displays the date using a 4-digit year and 2-digit month.     |  |
|               | Example: 1999/01  |  |
| 7 - YYMM      | Displays the data using a 2-digit year and 2-digit month.     |  |
|               | Example: 99/01  |  |

The NDP (No Duplicate Print) convert field allows you to hide repeated values for text and date fields.

Select 1 to display all values or 2 to suppress the duplicate values.

The next field for the report is the Sales Year to Date.

Use the list fields function key to select the SALES\_YTD field.



The Col/Row column defaults to Col 1, Row 2. General Report Writer will automatically wrap any fields that do not fit on a line to the next line, based on the width of the report and the fields already selected.

For Numeric fields all 6 options are available in the Statistics column.

| <b>Option</b> | <u>Description</u>  |
|---------------|---|
| Tot*          | Calculates a total for the field and is displayed the amount as a report total and a subtotal for any break points.           |
| Avg*          | Calculates an average amount for the field and is displayed the amount as a report total and a subtotal for any break points. |
| Max           | Displays the largest number or date for the field as a report total and a subtotal for any break points.                      |
| Min           | Displays the smallest number or date for the field as a report total and a subtotal for any break points.                     |
| Pct*          | Calculates a percentage of the field for each line on the report compared to the report total.                                |
| Cnt           | Counts the number of records in the field and is displayed the number as a report total and a subtotal for any break points.  |

For each option, select 1, for No, if you do not want the total calculated for the report OR 2, for Yes, if you want the system to calculate the optional total.

#### Select Yes for Tot and no for the other Statistic options.

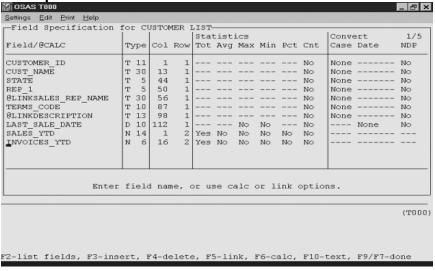
The Convert column is unavailable for Numeric fields.

<sup>\*</sup>You cannot use the Tot or Avg options with the Pct option.

The next field for the report is the Invoices Year to Date.

Use the list fields function key to select the INVOICES\_YTD field.

#### Field Specification Screen – Invoices YTD



#### Select Yes for Tot and no for the other Statistic options.

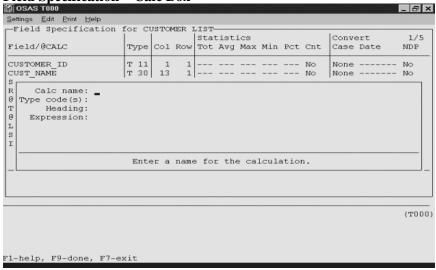
The last field for this report will be an average invoice calculation based on the sales year to date divided by the invoices year to date.

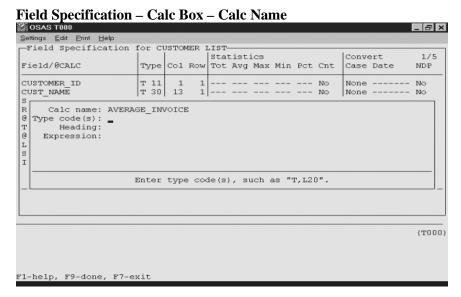
In a blank Field/@Calc, select the calc function key.

## **Creating a Calc Field**

The Calc box is displayed.

**Field Specification – Calc Box** 

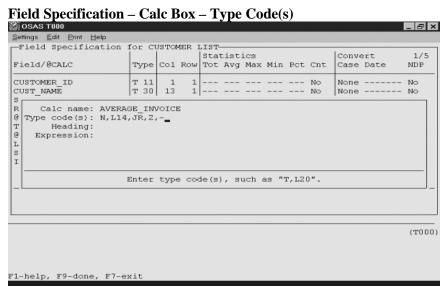




Enter the Calc name.

This is the name General Report Writer will use to create the calc field and does not have to be the same as the column heading.

The Calc name can be 1-15 characters long, and cannot contain spaces or symbols. Letters numbers, periods and underscores are allowed.



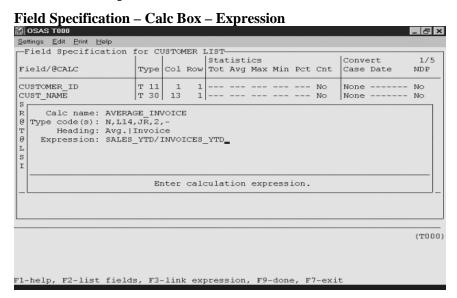
2. Enter the Type Code(s) for the field (See Appendix A)

Field Specification - Calc Box - Heading Settings Edit Print Help -Field Specification for CUSTOMER Statistics Field/@CALC Type Col Row Tot Avg Max Min Pct Cnt Case Date NDP CUSTOMER ID т 11 None CUST\_NAME T 30 13 R Calc name: AVERAGE\_INVOICE

Type code(s): N,L14,JR,2,Heading: Avg.|Invoice\_ Expression: Enter column heading for the calculation. (T000) F1-help, F7-exit

Enter the Heading for the field.

This heading will print in the header of the report if you are printing the header and printing column headings.



4. Enter the Expression used to create the field.

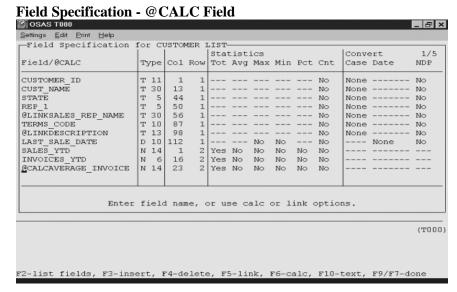
The Expression can be a maximum of 300 characters.

You can use the list fields function to select fields from the central file to use in the Expression. You can use the link expression to create a linked field in the Expression.

### For this Expression, enter SALES\_YTD/INVOICES\_YTD.

Use the list fields function to select the SALES\_YTD and INVOICES\_YTD fields.

You must enter through the Expression field until General Report Writer returns you to the Field Specification screen OR select the done function key, to save the Expression.



General Report Writer places @Calc in front of the Calc name you entered.

#### Select Yes for Tot and no for the other Statistic options.

Select the done function key after all the fields for the report have been selected.

Field Specification Screen — Verification Prompt

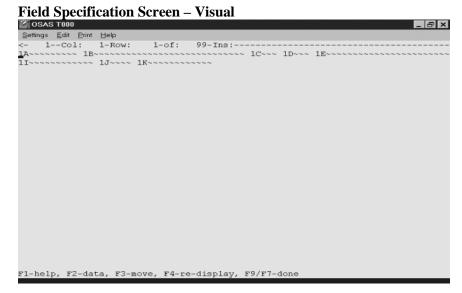
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Settings Edit Brint Help \_ & X -Field Specification Statistics Field/@CALC Type Col Row Tot Avg Max Min Pct Cnt T 11 1 T 30 13 T 5 44 T 5 50 T 30 56 T 10 87 T 13 98 D 10 112 N 14 1 N 6 16 N 14 23 CUSTOMER\_ID CUST\_NAME STATE None -----13 1 --- --- No 44 1 --- --- No 50 1 --- --- No 56 1 --- No None -----REP\_1 @LINKSALES\_REP\_NAME None -----No No 1 --- --- No
1 --- --- No No --- No
1 --- No No No No No
2 Yes No No No No No
2 Yes No No No No No TERMS\_CODE @LINKDESCRIPTION None -------- None LAST\_SALE\_DATE SALES\_YTD No INVOICES\_YTD @CALCAVERAGE\_INVOICE (T000) Is the above information correct? Selection: Wes No Visual F7-Exit without selection

The Verification Prompt "Is the above information correct?" is displayed.

| <b>Selection</b>       | <u>Description</u>  |
|------------------------|---|
| Yes                    | Saves the fields and any changes made, and returns you to the Report Design screen.   |
| No                     | You can add, delete or edit any fields for the report.  |
| Visual                 | Shows you how the fields will print on the report. The fields are represented with a two-character code (1 followed by the letters A-Z), with the balance of the field length filled with tilde (~) characters. |
| Exit without selection | You can exit fields without saving any changes. General Report Writer will ask you to verify exiting fields without saving any changes.   |
|                        | Select Yes to exit without saving any changes.  |
|                        | Select No to re-display the Verification Prompt.  |

Select Visual for this report.



The Visual Screen is displayed.

The Visual screen shows you how the fields will print on the report. The fields are represented with a two-character code (1 followed by the letters A-Z), with the balance of the field length filled with tilde ( $\sim$ ) characters.

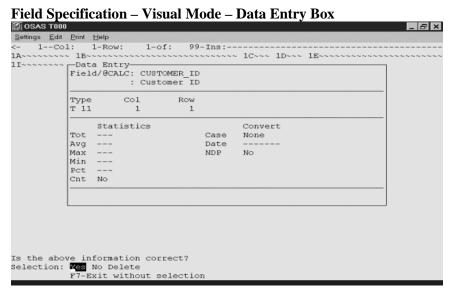
| <b>Command</b>            | <u>Description</u>   |
|---------------------------|--|
| Help                      | Displays help information for the visual mode.   |
| Data                      | Displays the field information for the field at the cursor.  |
| Move/Move to <sup>6</sup> | You can move the field at the cursor. The field changes to plus signs (+). Move the cursor to the desire position for the field and re-select the move/move to function key. |
| Re-display                | Refreshes the visual screen to the original settings.  |
| Done                      | Displays the Verification Prompt and allows you to exit the visual mode.   |
|                           |  |

To use any of the commands, select the function key displayed next to the command.

Place the cursor underneath the 1A field and select the data function.

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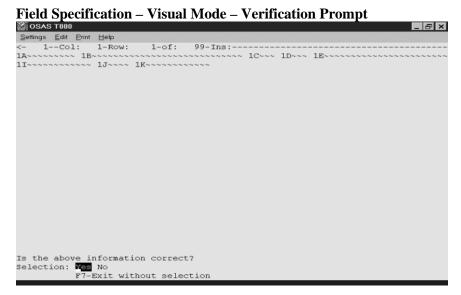
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> It is easier to return to the Field Specification screen and change the column and row designation to move the field.



The Data Entry box is displayed.

The Data entry box show you the Field, Column Heading, Type, Col and Row positions, and the selections made for the Statistics and Convert columns.

| <b>Selection</b>       | <u>Description</u>   |
|------------------------|--|
| Yes                    | Saves any changes made in the Data Entry box and returns you to the visual mode.   |
| No                     | You can edit or change the field.  |
| Delete                 | You can remove the field from the report.  |
| Exit without selection | You can exit Data entry without saving any changes. General Report Writer will ask you to verify exiting without saving any changes. |
|                        | Select Yes to exit without saving any changes.   |
|                        | Select No to re-display the Verification Prompt.   |



## Select the done function.

The Verification Prompt "Is the above information correct?" is displayed.

| <b>Selection</b>       | <u>Description</u>  |
|------------------------|---|
| Yes                    | Saves the fields and any changes made, and returns you to the Field Specification screen.   |
| No                     | You can add, delete or edit any fields for the report.  |
| Exit without selection | Exits the visual mode without saving any changes. General Report Writer will ask you to verify exiting visual without saving any changes. |
|                        | Select Yes to exit without saving any changes.  |
|                        | Select No to re-display the Verification Prompt.  |

Once you exit the visual mode, General Report Writer returns you to the Field Specification screen, displaying the Verification prompt.

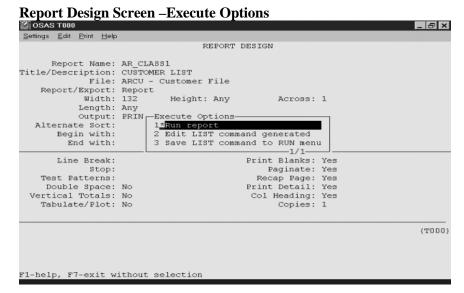
Field Specification Screen - Verification Prompt \_ & × Settings Edit Print Help -Field Specification for CUSTOMER LIST Type Col Row Tot Avg Max Min Pct Cnt Convert Field/@CALC Case Date CUSTOMER\_ID T 11 1 T 30 13 T 5 44 T 5 50 T 30 56 T 10 87 T 13 98 D 10 112 N 14 1 CUST\_NAME STATE None -----None None -----@LINKSALES REP NAME None TERMS\_CODE @LINKDESCRIPTION None ----No None LAST\_SALE\_DATE
SALES\_YTD
INVOICES\_YTD
@CALCAVERAGE\_INVOICE 1 --- -- No No --2 Yes No No No No
2 Yes No No No No
2 Yes No No No No No 16 23 N 6 N 14 (T000) Is the above information correct? Selection: **Fes** No Visual F7-Exit without selection

Select Yes to return to the Report Design screen.

Report Design Screen - Run REPORT DESIGN Report Name: AR\_CLASS1 Title/Description: CUSTOMER LIST File: ARCU - Customer File Report/Export: Report Width: 132 Length: Any Height: Any Across: 1 Output: PRINTER Alternate Sort: Begin with: End with: Print Blanks: Yes Line Break: Paginate: Yes Test Patterns: Recap Page: Yes Double Space: No Vertical Totals: No Print Detail: Yes Col Heading: Yes Tabulate/Plot: No Copies: 1 (T000) Is the above information correct? Selection: Yes No Fields Break Sort Criteria Linksel Hdr/ftr Run Delete Print F7-Exit without selection

Select Run<sup>7</sup> to generate the report

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> You can add Breaks, Sort, Criteria, and Linksel information before running the report, however it is usually a good idea to run the report before adding each step to insure that you are getting the correct information on the report and to help resolve any strange errors that may appear on the report.



The Execute Options box is displayed.

Select if you would like to generate the report, edit the report, or save the report to the run menu.

| <b>Options</b>              | <b>Description</b>  |
|-----------------------------|---|
| Run Report                  | Generates the report and allows you to select the output device, based on the Output and Report/Export selections made on the Report Design screen. |
| Edit LIST command generated | Takes you into LIST mode to edit the report.  |
| Save LIST command to RUN    | Saves the LIST mode report instructions to the RUN menu.  |
| menu                        | You are prompted for a Report Name <sup>8</sup> and if you would like<br>the report open for all users or only available to your user id.           |

Select Run Report

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> The Report Name saved to the RUN menu does not have to be the same as the Prompt mode Report Name.

Run Report - Output Selection

Settings Edit Print Help

Building Loading

Output Selection

1 PSW Print Setup Wide Carriage Dot Matrix

2\*Vor View on this video

3 FILE Print to a file

Compiling report...

F1-help, F7-exit without selection

(T000)

General Report Writer prompts for the Output Selection based on the output field on the Report Design Screen.

If Printer was selected in the Output field, General Report Writer will prompt you to select from the list of printer<sup>9</sup> setup in OSAS and General Report Writer. You also have the option to select VDT, which prints to the screen, OR File, to print to an ASCII file.

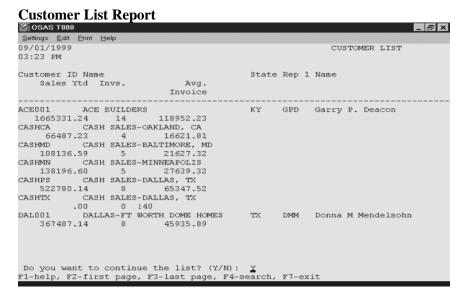
If File was selected in the Output field, General Report Writer will prompt you for the output path and file name.

If VDT was selected in the Output field, or you left the Output field blank, General Report Writer will print to the screen, and will not give you any output selection options.

Select VDT to print the report to the screen.

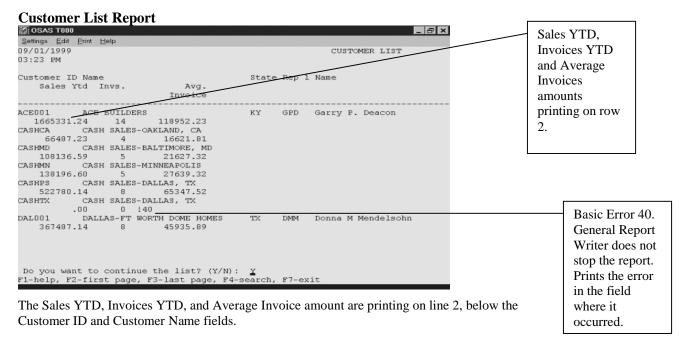
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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> If the Width of the report exceeds the standard and compressed columns for the printer, that printer will not be listed in the Output Selection box.



When you print to the screen, you have several options for viewing information on the report.

| <b>Option</b>                           | <u>Description</u>   |  |  |  |  |  |
|---|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Do you want to continue the list? (Y/N) | Select Y for Yes to move to the next screen of the report and continue viewing the report.                                     |  |  |  |  |  |
|   | Select N for No to exit the report and return to the General Report Writer Options menu.                                       |  |  |  |  |  |
| Help                                    | Displays help information about the current function.  |  |  |  |  |  |
| First Page                              | Takes you to the first page of the report.   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Last page                               | Takes you to the last page of the report.  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Search                                  | Searches for the first occurrence of any text entered. The search begins on the current page and searches any remaining pages. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Exit                                    | Exits the report and returns you to the General Report Writer Options menu.  |  |  |  |  |  |



You can also see in the Average Invoice field on a few of the customers there is an !40. This means that General Report Writer received a Basic Error 40. General Report Writer will not stop the report for most basic errors. It prints the error number in the field where the error occurred.

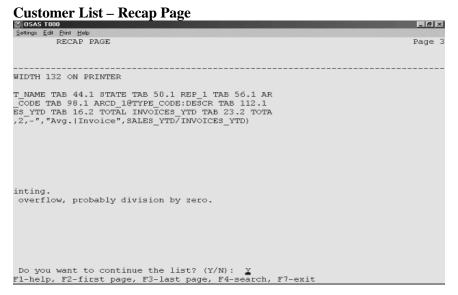
If you print to the screen, use the left and right arrows to shift between the left and right sides of the screen.

You can continue the list and see the remaining pages of the report and the recap page, go to the first page, the last page, and search for string or exit the report.

| Customer List Report  Settings Edit Print Help  CUSTOMER LIST |            |           |            | _ & ×<br>Page 1 |
|---|------------|-----------|------------|-----------------|
| 1 Name  | Terms Code | Descr     | Last Date  |                 |
| Garry P. Deacon   | 2PCT       | 2/10,n/30 | 12/21/1999 |                 |
|   | COD        | C.O.D.    | 12/06/1999 |                 |
|   | COD        | C.O.D.    | 12/20/1999 |                 |
|   | COD        | C.O.D.    | 12/01/1999 |                 |
|   | COD        | C.O.D.    | 12/15/1999 |                 |
|   | COD        | C.O.D.    |            |                 |
| Donna M Mendelsohn  | 1PCT       | 1/10,n/30 | 12/25/1999 |                 |
| Do you want to continue the list                              |            |           |            |                 |

If you selected Yes to print the Recap Page, it is displayed after the report.

The Recap Page prints the LIST Mode instruction for the report, the starting and ending time for processing the report, the number of records processed and printed for the report, the company ID for the current company and any error that occurred on the report.



The recap page explains the error we got on the report. The error is in the calculation for the Average Invoice amount. Division by zero error.

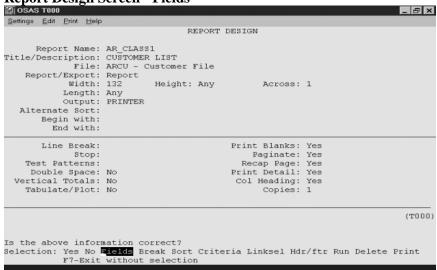
The next step for this report is to rearrange some of the fields to make the report look better, then to edit the calculation to prevent the divide by zero error.

#### Exit the recap page.

## **Formatting the Report**

## **Stacking Fields**

**Report Design Screen - Fields** 



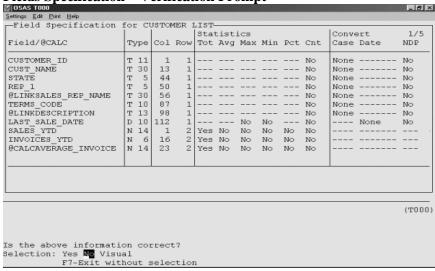
You are returned to the General Report Writer Options menu.

Select Prompt from the GENERAL Report Writer Options Menu.

Select the AR\_CLASS1 report in the Report Name field and choose Fields when the Verification prompt is displayed.

When you enter Fields the Verification prompt is displayed. Select No to edit the fields.

Fields Specification – Verification Prompt



First, edit the fields so the report looks better. We will stack the Customer ID on top of the Customer Name, then the Sales Rep ID on top of the Sales Rep Name, and finally the Terms Code above the Description of the terms.

|                     | 1  |     | 1     | MER I |       | tist  | ics   |       |       |       | Convert | 1/5  |     |
|---------------------|----|-----|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|---------|------|-----|
| Field/@CALC         | T3 | рe  | Col   | Row   |       |       |       | Min   | Pct   | Cnt   |         | Date | NDP |
| CUSTOMER ID         | т  | 11  | 1     | 1     |       |       |       |       |       | No    | None    |      | No  |
| CUST NAME           | т  | 30  | 1     | 2     |       |       |       |       |       | No    | None    |      | No  |
| TATE                | T  | -5  | 32    | 2     |       |       |       |       |       | No    | None    |      | No  |
| EP_1                | T  | 5   | 38    | 2     |       |       |       |       |       | No    | None    |      | No  |
| LINKSALES REP NAME  | T  | 30  | 44    | 2     |       |       |       |       |       | No    | None    |      | No  |
| TERMS_CODE          | T  | 10  | 75    | 2     |       |       |       |       |       | No    | None    |      | No  |
| LINKDESCRIPTION     |    | 13  | 86    | 2     |       |       |       |       |       | No    | None    |      | No  |
| AST_SALE_DATE       | D  | 10  | 100   |       |       |       | No    | No    |       | No    |         | None | No  |
| SALES_YTD           | N  | 14  | 111   |       | Yes   |       | No    | No    | No    | No    |         |      |     |
| INVOICES_YTD        | N  | 6   | 126   |       |       | No    | No    | No    | No    | No    |         |      |     |
| CALCAVERAGE_INVOICE | N  | 14  | 1     | 3     | Yes   | No    | No    | No    | No    | No    |         |      |     |
| Enter               | fi | .el | d nar | ne, o | or us | se ca | alc ( | or 1: | ink « | optio | ns.     |      |     |
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|                     |    |     |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |         |      |     |
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Arrow down to the CUST\_NAME field

Fields Specification - Stacking Fields

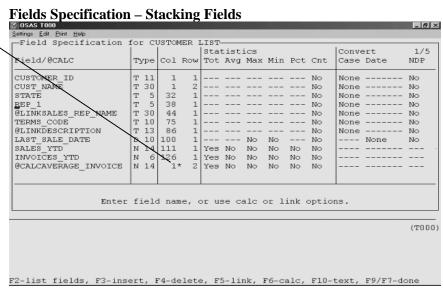
Enter to the Col/Row column. Change the Col to 1 and the Row to 2; this will now print the CUST\_NAME field below the CUSTOMER\_ID field.

Enter through the remaining columns until you get to the next field. If you do not enter through the remaining columns, you must manually adjust the Col and Row fields for each field.

General Report Writer will automatically adjust the remaining fields Col and Row settings to match the new settings.

Change the State field back to Row 1

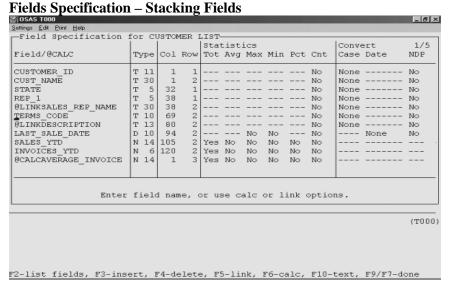
The asterisk (\*) denotes an overlapping field. General Report Writer will print the report with the overlapping field if it is not corrected.



Enter to the Row field in the Col/Row column for the State field and change it back to 1.

Enter through the remaining columns. General Report Writer automatically adjusts the remaining fields Col and Row settings to match the new settings.

You may notice some fields have an asterisk (\*) in the Col field as you adjust fields. This means that you have overlapping fields. General Report Writer will print the report with overlapping fields, but warns you here in the Fields Specification screen.



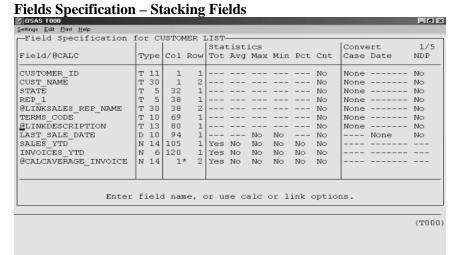
Next, arrow down to the SALES\_REP\_NAME link field.

Enter to the Col/Row column. Chang the Col to 38 and the Row to 2, this will print the Sales Rep Name below the Sales Rep ID.

Enter through the remaining columns until you get to the next field.

General Report Writer automatically adjusts the remaining fields Col and Row settings to match the new settings.

Change the Terms Code field back to Row 1

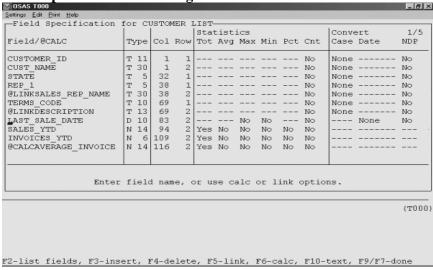


F2-list fields, F3-insert, F4-delete, F5-link, F6-calc, F10-text, F9/F7-don-

Enter to the Row field in the Col/Row column for the Terms Code field and change it back to 1.

Enter through the remaining columns. General Report Writer automatically adjusts the remaining fields Col and Row settings to match the new settings.

Fields Specification - Stacking Fields



Next, arrow down to the DESCRIPTION link

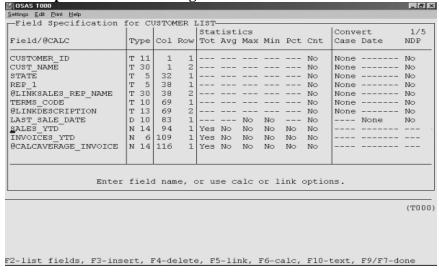
Enter to the Col/Row column. Chang the Col to 69 and the Row to 2, to print the Terms Code Description below the Terms Code

Enter through the remaining columns until you get to the next field.

General Report Writer automatically adjusts the remaining fields Col and Row settings to match the new settings.

Change the LAST\_SALE\_DATE field back to Row 1

Fields Specification – Stacking Fields



Enter to the Row field in the Col/Row column for the LAST\_SALE\_DATE field and change it back to 1.

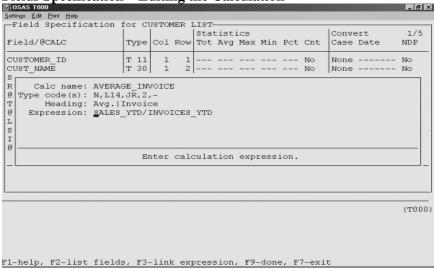
Enter through the remaining columns. General Report Writer automatically adjusts the remaining fields Col and Row settings to match the new settings. All the remaining fields should now be on Row 1.

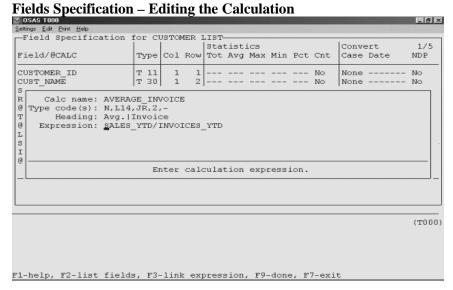
Next, edit the calculation to prevent the !40, divide by zero error.

Arrow down to the CALCAVERAGE\_INVOICE field Select the calc function to edit the calculation.

The Calc box is displayed

**Fields Specification – Editing the Calculation** 



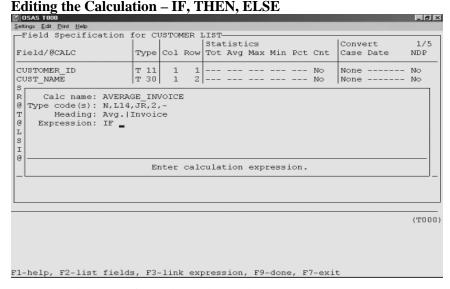


The Expression is causing the error. If the Invoices YTD field is 0 we get the !40 error on the report.

We have 2 options for the expression.

- 1. Use and IF, THEN, ELSE statement in the Expression to prevent the error.
- 2. Use internal General Report Writer functions in the Expression to prevent the error.

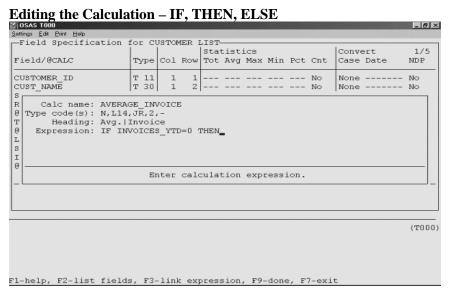
# Option 1 – IF, THEN, ELSE Statement



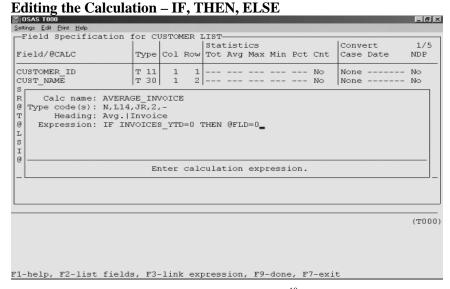
1. Delete the Expression and type the word **IF** 

**Editing the Calculation – IF, THEN, ELSE** OSAS TOOO Settings Edit Print Help -Field Specification Statistics Convert Field/@CALC Type Col Row Tot Avg Max Min Pct Cnt Case Date CUSTOMER\_ID T 11 1 -Field Selection-FIELD NAME DESCRIPTION TYPE CODES 1 GROUP\_CODE 2 INVOICES\_LAST\_YR 3 INVOICES\_PTD Group Code Invoices Last Year Invoices Period to Date N,JR,L6,-N,JR,L6,-INVOICES OTD Invoices Quarter to Date N, JR, L6, -5 \*INVOICES YTD
6 LAST PAYMENT DATE
7 LAST PAY AMT
8 LAST PAY NO Invoices Year to Date Last Payment Date Last Payment Amount D, JL, L10 N, JR, L14, Last Check/Payment Number T, JL, L8 -8/14 (T000) F1-help, F2-list toggle, F7-exit

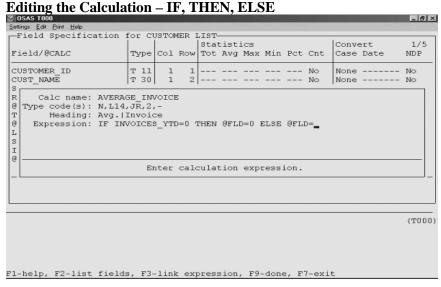
2. Use the list fields function and select the INVOICES\_YTD field.



Type the equal sign (=) followed by the number zero (0), followed by a space and the word THEN.



4. Type the ampersand sign (@) followed by FLD<sup>10</sup> followed by the equal sign (=) followed by then number zero (0).



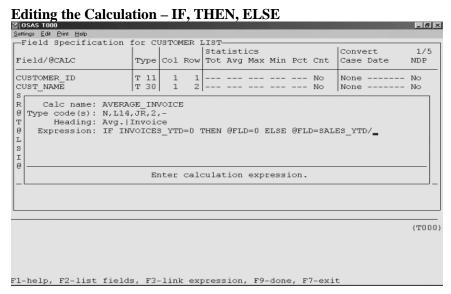
5. Type another space followed by the word ELSE followed by another space followed by the ampersand sign (@) and then FLD followed by the equal sign (=).

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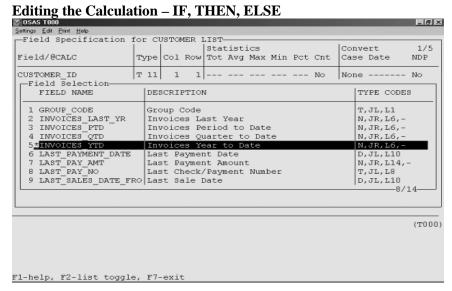
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> @FLD is an internal General Report Writer command, which stands for at this field. See Appendix C for more information.

Editing the Calculation – IF, THEN, ELSE OSAS TOOO Settings Edit Print Help -Field Specification Statistics Convert Field/@CALC Type Col Row Tot Avg Max Min Pct Cnt Case Date CUSTOMER\_ID T 11 1 -Field Selection-FIELD NAME DESCRIPTION TYPE CODES 1 \* SALES YTD Sales Year to Date N,JR,L14,-2 SALES YTD FROM 3 SALES YTD PROMPT 4 SALES YTD THRU Sales Year to Date Sales Year to Date Sales Year to Date N, JR, L14, -N, JR, L14, -5 SHIP\_ZONE
6 STATE
7 STATEMENT\_CODE
8 TAXABLE Ship Zone T,JL,L2 T,JL,L1 T,JL,L1 State Statement Code Taxable Group? -12/14-(T000) F1-help, F2-list toggle, F7-exit

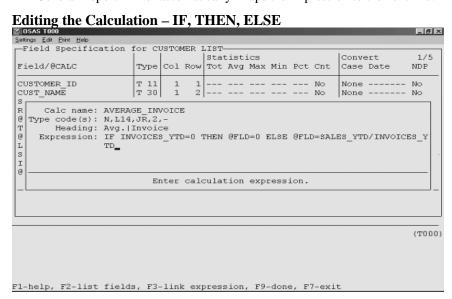
6. Use the list fields function and select the SALES\_YTD field



7. Type the divide sign (/).



Use the list fields function and select the INVOICES\_YTD field.
 General Report Writer automatically wraps the Expression to the next line.



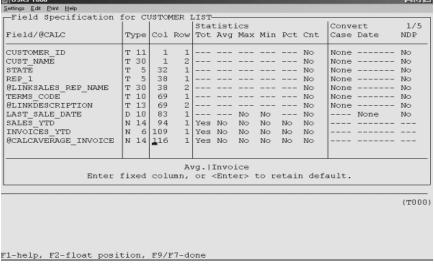
The Expression should be:

IF INVOICES\_YTD=0 THEN @FLD=0 ELSE @FLD=SALES\_YTD/INVOICES\_YTD

Select the done function key or enter through the Expression until you return to the Field Specification screen to save the Expression.

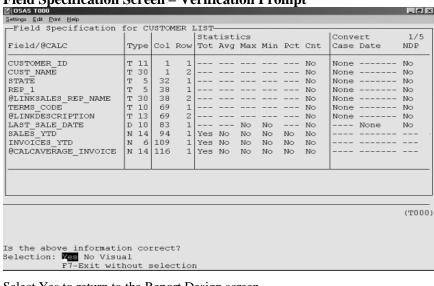
Field Specification Screen

| OSAS TOOD
| Settings | Edit | Epint | Help



Select the done function key(s) to display the Verification Prompt.

**Field Specification Screen – Verification Prompt** 



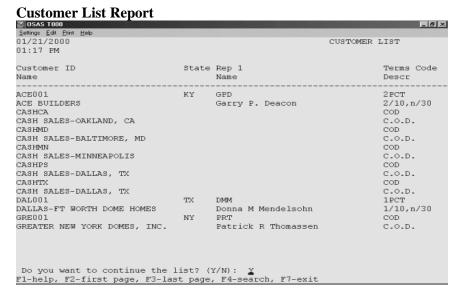
Select Yes to return to the Report Design screen.

To generate the report, select Run from the Report Design screen.

Select Run Report from the Execute Options box.

Select the Output device.

Select VDT to print the report to the screen.



The report looks a little better. The Customer Name is printing below the Customer ID, the Sales Rep Name prints below the Sales Rep ID and the Terms description prints below the Terms Code.

| <b>Customer L</b>        | ist Report                       |            |            |       |                 |
|--------------------------|----------------------------------|------------|------------|-------|-----------------|
| OSAS TOOO                |                                  |            |            |       | _ 8 ×           |
| Settings Edit Print Help |                                  |            |            |       |                 |
| CUSTOMER                 | LIST                             |            |            |       | Page 1          |
|                          |                                  |            |            |       |                 |
|                          | Terms Code<br>Descr              | Last Date  | Sales Ytd  | Invs. | Avg.<br>Invoice |
|                          | 2PCT<br>2/10,n/30                | 12/21/1999 | 1665331.24 | 14    | 118952.23       |
|                          | COD<br>C.O.D.                    | 12/06/1999 | 66487.23   | 4     | 16621.81        |
|                          | COD<br>C.O.D.                    | 12/20/1999 | 108136.59  | 5     | 21627.32        |
|                          | COD<br>C.O.D.                    | 12/01/1999 | 138196.60  | 5     | 27639.32        |
|                          | COD<br>C.O.D.                    | 12/15/1999 | 522780.14  | 8     | 65347.52        |
|                          | COD<br>C.O.D.                    |            | .00        | 0     | 0.00            |
| ohn                      | 1PCT<br>1/10,n/30                | 12/25/1999 | 367487.14  | 8     | 45935.89        |
| ssen                     | COD<br>C.O.D.                    | 12/19/1999 | 315563.39  | 8     | 39445.42        |
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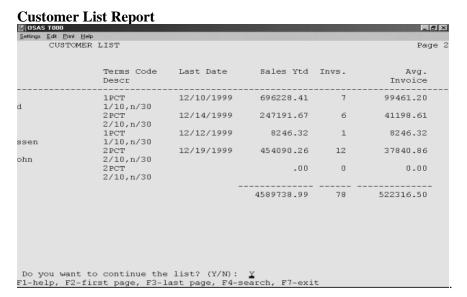
If you print to the screen, use the left and right arrows to shift between the left and right sides of the screen.

You can continue the list and see the remaining pages of the report and the recap page, go to the first page, the last page, and search for string or exit the report.

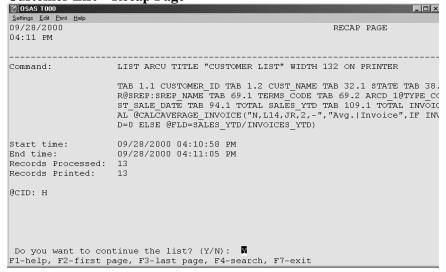
The Average Invoice amount prints without error.

**Customer List Report** Settings Edit Print Help 01/21/2000 01:17 PM CUSTOMER LIST Customer ID State Rep 1 Terms Code KAN001 KANSAS CITY GEODESIC HOMES James A. Hovland 1/10,n/30 2PCT 2/10,n/30 1PCT 1/10,n/30 LOS ANGELES CONSTRUCTION CO. SUN001 CA Garry P. Deacon  $_{\mathrm{FL}}$ SUNSHINE HOMES, INC. Patrick R Thomassen 2PCT 2/10,n/30 2PCT 2/10,n/30 TEN001 TENNESSEE SHELTERS, INC. TN Donna M Mendelsohn VISO01 VISA DE \*Report\* SUM Do you want to continue the list? (Y/N):  $\underline{X}$  F1-help, F2-first page, F3-last page, F4-search, F7-exit

The last page of the report

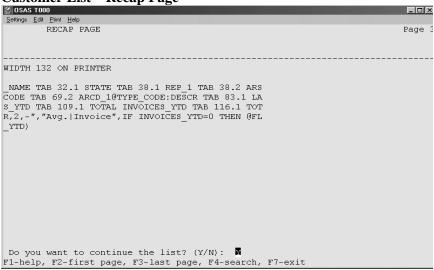


Customer List - Recap Page



The recap page prints without any errors.

Customer List – Recap Page



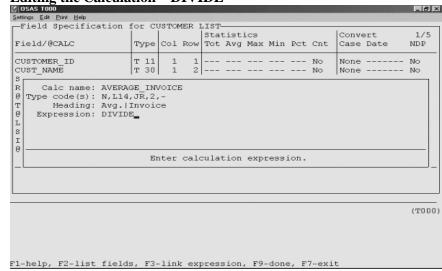
## Exit the Report.

You are returned to the General Report Writer Options menu.

Select Prompt from the GENERAL Report Writer Options Menu.

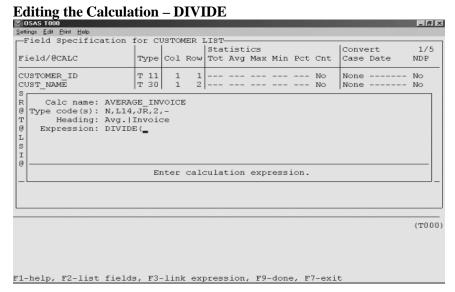
# **Option 2 – General Report Writer Functions**

**Editing the Calculation – DIVIDE** 

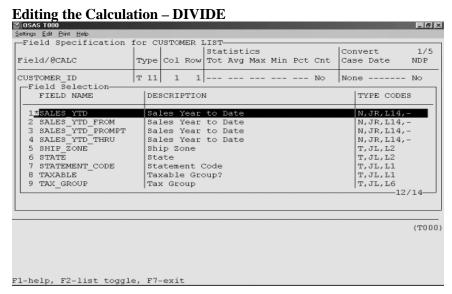


There are several functions that can be used in Expressions (See Appendix C). For this field use the DIVIDE function. This allows you to divide 2 numbers and dividing by zero is ok.

1. Delete the Expression and type the word **DIVIDE** 



2. Type a left parenthesis (.

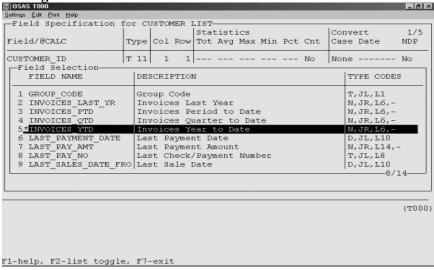


3. Use the list fields function to select the SALES\_YTD field.

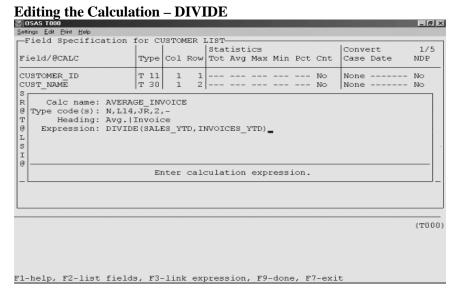
4. Type a comma (,) after the SALES\_YTD field.

F1-help, F2-list fields, F3-link expression, F9-done, F7-exit

## **Editing the Calculation – DIVIDE**



5. Use the list fields function and select the INVOICES\_YTD field

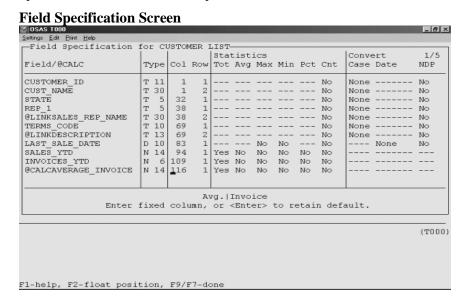


6. Type a right parenthesis ).

The Expression should be:

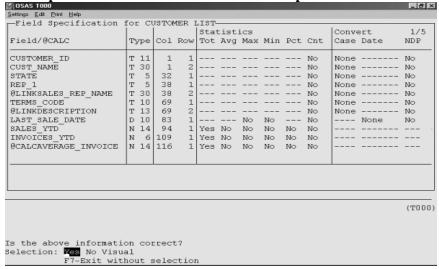
#### DIVIDE(SALES\_YTD,INVOICES\_YTD)

Select the done function key or enter through the Expression until you return to the Field Specification screen to save the Expression.



Select the done function key(s) to display the Verification Prompt.

Field Specification Screen - Verification Prompt



Select Yes to return to the Report Design screen.

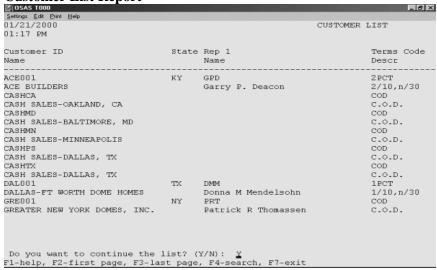
To generate the report, select Run from the Report Design screen.

Select Run Report from the Execute Options box.

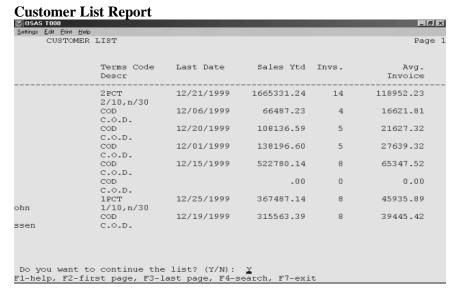
Select the Output device.

Select VDT to print the report to the screen.

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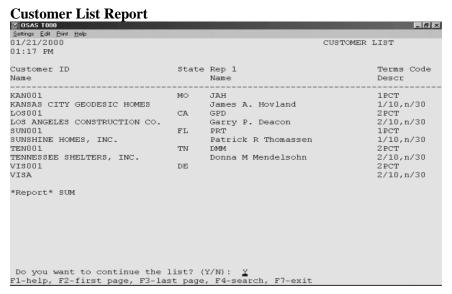
The report looks a little better. The Customer Name is printing below the Customer ID, the Sales Rep Name prints below the Sales Rep ID and the Terms description prints below the Terms Code.



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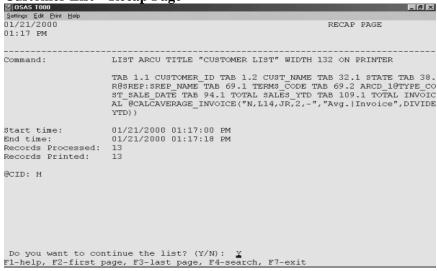
The Average Invoice amount prints without error.



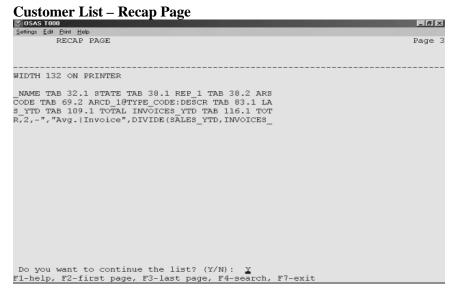
The last page of the report

**Customer List Report** OSAS T000 Settings Edit Print Help CUSTOMER LIST Terms Code Last Date Sales Ytd Invs. Avg. Invoice 1PCT 12/10/1999 1/10,n/30 696228.41 7 99461.20 2PCT 2/10,n/30 12/14/1999 247191.67 6 41198.61 1PCT 1/10,n/30 12/12/1999 8246.32 1 8246.32 ssen 2PCT 2/10,n/30 12/19/1999 454090.26 12 37840.86 ohn 2PCT 2/10,n/30 0 0.00 4589738.99 78 522316.50 Do you want to continue the list? (Y/N):  $\underline{X}$  F1-help, F2-first page, F3-last page, F4-search, F7-exit

**Customer List - Recap Page** 



The recap page prints without any errors.



### Exit the Report.

You are returned to the General Report Writer Options menu.

Select Prompt from the GENERAL Report Writer Options Menu.

# **Entering Break Points**

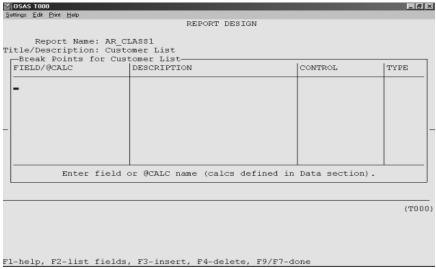
Next, we will add Break Points to the report.

Report Design Screen - Break REPORT DESIGN Report Name: AR\_CLASS1 Title/Description: CUSTOMER LIST File: ARCU - Customer File Report/Export: Report Width: 132 Height: Any Length: Any Height: Any Across: 1 Output: PRINTER Alternate Sort: Begin with: End with: Print Blanks: Yes Line Break: Stop: Test Patterns: Paginate: Yes Recap Page: Yes Print Detail: Yes Double Space: No Vertical Totals: No Col Heading: Yes Copies: 1 Tabulate/Plot: No (T000) Is the above information correct? Selection: Yes No Fields <mark>Rreak</mark> Sort Criteria Linksel Hdr/ftr Run Delete Print F7-Exit without selection

Select the AR\_CLASS1 report in the Report Name field and choose Break when the Verification prompt is displayed.

Break points tell General Report writer how to group data on a report for subtotal calculations. A break point can be based on any field in the primary file, any calculated or linked field. Break points can be line breaks or page breaks.

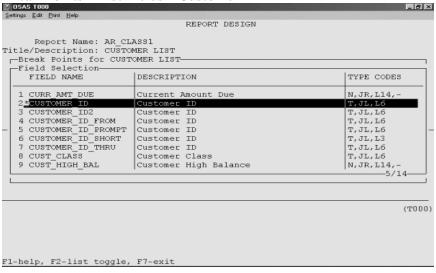
## **Break Points Screen**



| <b>Command</b> | <u>Description</u>  |
|----------------|---|
| Help           | Select the function key listed to display help for the field or function you are on.      |
| List Fields    | Select the function key listed to display the list of available fields.                   |
| Insert         | Select the function key listed to insert a blank line.                                    |
| Delete         | Select the function key listed to delete a field from break points.                       |
| Done           | Select the function keys listed to display the Verification prompt and exit Break Points. |

## **Text Fields**

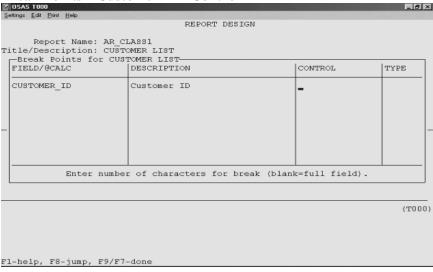
## **Break Points – List Fields – Customer ID**



Use the list fields function and select the CUSTOMER\_ID field.

The Description of the field defaults.

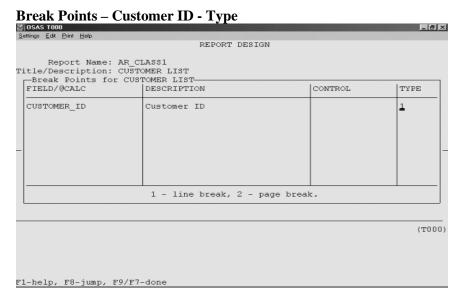
#### **Break Points – Customer ID - Control**



The Control field determines if the break point will be on the full field value or part of the field. The field type determines how Control is displayed the values.

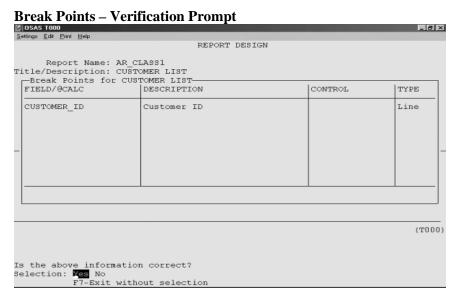
If this field is left blank, the break point will be on the full field.

Leave Control blank for now.



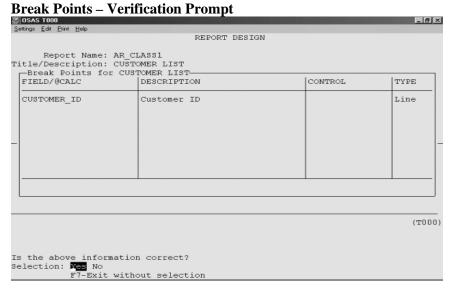
The Type field determines if you want a line break or page break on the selected field. Select 1 for line break OR 2 for page break.

Select line break for this field.



Once all the Break point fields<sup>11</sup> are selected, use the done function key to display the Verification prompt.

<sup>11</sup> General Report Writer supports a maximum of 9 break point fields in prompt mode.



SelectionDescriptionYesSaves the break point fields and returns you to the Report Design screen.NoYou can add, edit or delete any break point fields.Exit without selectionExits Break Points without saving any changes. General Report Writer will ask you to verify exiting without saving any changes.Select Yes to exit without saving any changes.Select No to re-display the Verification Prompt.

Select Yes to save the changes and return to the Report Design screen.

To generate the report, select Run from the Report Design screen.

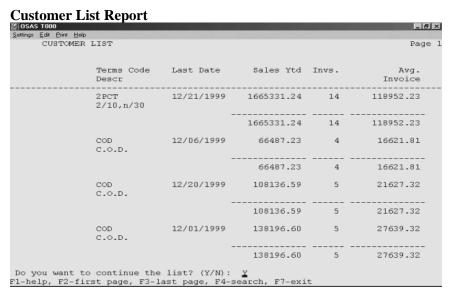
Select Run Report from the Execute Options box.

Select the Output device for the report.

Select VDT to print the report to the screen.

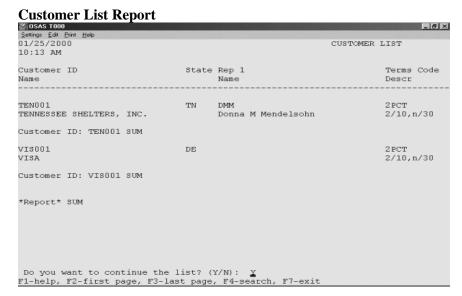
**Customer List Report** OSAS T000
Settings Edit Brint Help
01/25/2000
10:13 AM CUSTOMER LIST Customer ID State Rep 1 Terms Code ACE BUILDERS Garry P. Deacon 2/10,n/30 Customer ID: ACE001 SUM COD CASH SALES-OAKLAND, CA C.O.D. Customer ID: CASHCA SUM CASH SALES-BALTIMORE, MD C.O.D. Customer ID: CASHMD SUM COD CASH SALES-MINNEAPOLIS C.O.D. Customer ID: CASHMN SUM Do you want to continue the list? (Y/N):  $\underline{X}$  F1-help, F2-first page, F3-last page, F4-search, F7-exit

Now the report has subtotals for each Customer ID.



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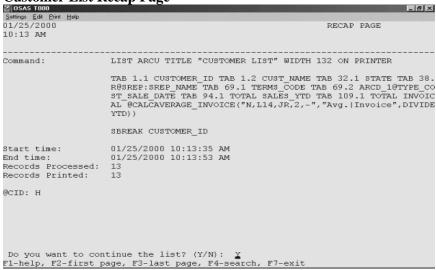
You can continue the list and see the remaining pages of the report and the recap page, go to the first page, the last page, search for a string or exit the report.



The last page of the report

| Cost | MER LIST            |            |            |       | Page            |
|------|---------------------|------------|------------|-------|-----------------|
|      | Terms Code<br>Descr | Last Date  | Sales Ytd  | Invs. | Avg.<br>Invoice |
| ohn  | 2PCT<br>2/10,n/30   | 12/19/1999 | 454090.26  | 12    | 37840.86        |
|      |                     | _          | 454090.26  | 12    | 37840.86        |
|      | 2PCT<br>2/10,n/30   |            | .00        | 0     | 0.00            |
|      |                     | _          | .00        | 0     | 0.00            |
|      |                     | -          | 4589738.99 | 78    | 522316.50       |
|      |                     |            |            |       |                 |
|      |                     |            |            |       |                 |

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## Exit the Report.

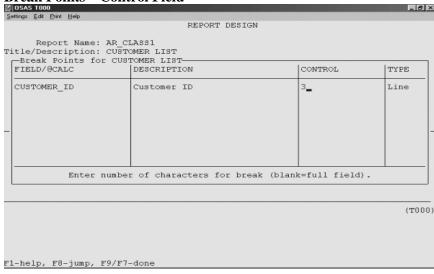
You are returned to the General Report Writer Options menu.

Select Prompt from the GENERAL Report Writer Options Menu.

The next example will demonstrate how the control field works.

Select the AR\_CLASS1 report in the Report Name field and choose Break when the Verification prompt is displayed.

**Break Points – Control Field** 

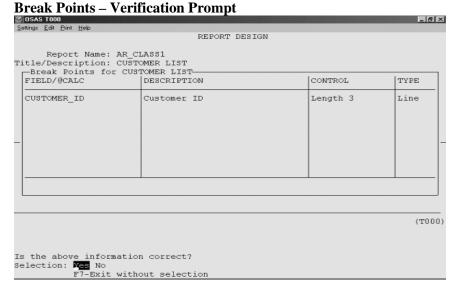


When the Break Point verification prompt is displayed, select No

Enter to the Control field for the Customer ID break.

Enter the number 3.

This will create a break point based on the first three characters of the Customer ID.



Press the Enter key until you get to a blank field. The Control field should change to Length 3.

Select the done function key to display the Verification prompt.

Select Yes to save the changes made in Breaks and to return to the Report Design screen.

To generate the report, select Run from the Report Design screen.

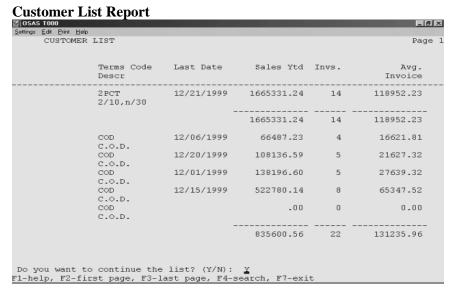
## Select Run Report from the Execute Options box.

Select the Output device for the report.

Select VDT to print the report to the screen.

**Customer List Report** Settings Edit Print Help 01/25/2000 \_ 5 × CUSTOMER LIST 10:15 AM Customer ID State Rep 1 Terms Code Name Name Descr GPD 2 PCT ACE BUILDERS Garry P. Deacon 2/10,n/30 Customer ID: ACE\* SUM CASHCA CASH SALES-OAKLAND, CA COD C.O.D. CASHMD CASH SALES-BALTIMORE, MD COD C.O.D. CASHMN CASH SALES-MINNEAPOLIS COD C.O.D. CASHPS CASH SALES-DALLAS, TX COD C.O.D. COD CASH SALES-DALLAS, TX C.O.D. Customer ID: CAS\* SUM Do you want to continue the list? (Y/N): Y F1-help, F2-first page, F3-last page, F4-search, F7-exit

Now the report has subtotals based on the first 3 characters of the Customer ID.



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You can continue the list and see the remaining pages of the report and the recap page, go to the first page, the last page, search for a string or exit the report.

The Recap page

### Exit the report.

You are returned to the General Report Writer Options menu.

Select Prompt from the GENERAL Report Writer Options Menu.

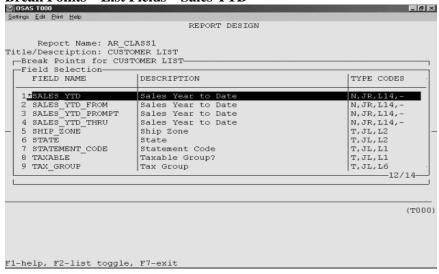
Select the AR\_CLASS1 report in the Report Name field and choose Break when the Verification prompt is displayed.

## **Numeric Fields**

When the Break Point verification prompt is displayed, select No

Use the delete function key to remove the Customer ID Break.

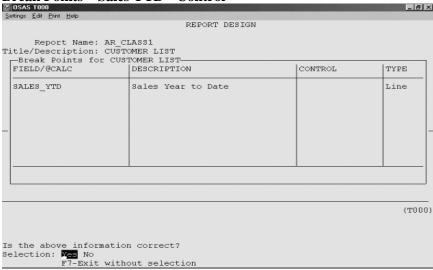
Break Points - List Fields - Sales YTD



Use the list fields function and select the SALES\_YTD field.

The Description of the field defaults.

**Break Points - Sales YTD - Control** 



Leave the Control field blank for now

Select Line in the Type field, to create a line break.

Once all the Break point fields<sup>12</sup> are selected, use the done function key to display the Verification prompt.

Select Yes to save the changes and return to the Report Design screen.

To generate the report, select Run from the Report Design screen.

Select Run Report from the Execute Options box.

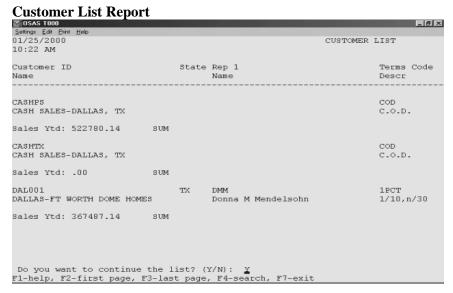
Select the Output device for the report.

Select VDT to print the report to the screen.

**Customer List Report** OSAS TOOO CUSTOMER LIST 10:21 AM Customer ID State Rep 1 Terms Code Name Descr Garry P. Deacon 2/10,n/30 ACE BUILDERS Sales Ytd: 1665331.24 SUM CASHCA COD CASH SALES-OAKLAND, CA C.O.D. Sales Ytd: 66487.23 COD CASH SALES-BALTIMORE, MD C.O.D. Sales Ytd: 108136.59 SUM CASHMN COD CASH SALES-MINNEAPOLIS C.O.D. Sales Ytd: 138196.60 Do you want to continue the list? (Y/N): XF1-help, F2-first page, F3-last page, F4-search, F7-exit

Now the report has subtotals based on the Sales YTD field.

12 General Report Writer supports a maximum of 9 break point fields in prompt mode.



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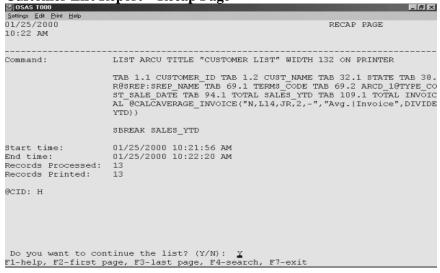
You can continue the list and see the remaining pages of the report and the recap page, go to the first page, the last page, and search for string or exit the report.

**Customer List Report** OSAS T000
Settings Edit Print Help
01/25/2000
10:22 AM CUSTOMER LIST Customer ID State Rep 1 Terms Code TEN001 DMM TENNESSEE SHELTERS, INC. Donna M Mendelsohn 2/10,n/30 Sales Ytd: 454090.26 VISOO1 VISA DE 2PCT 2/10,n/30 Sales Ytd: .00 SUM \*Report\* SUM Do you want to continue the list? (Y/N):  $\underline{X}$  F1-help, F2-first page, F3-last page, F4-search, F7-exit

Last page of the report

**Customer List Report** OSAS T000 Settings Edit Print Help CUSTOMER LIST Terms Code Last Date Sales Ytd Invs. Avg. 12/19/1999 454090.26 37840.86 2 PCT ohn 2/10,n/30 454090.26 12 37840.86 .00 0 0.00 2/10,n/30 0.00 .00 4589738.99 78 522316.50 Do you want to continue the list? (Y/N):  $\underline{X}$  F1-help, F2-first page, F3-last page, F4-search, F7-exit

**Customer List Report – Recap Page** 



The Recap Page

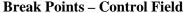
#### Exit the Report.

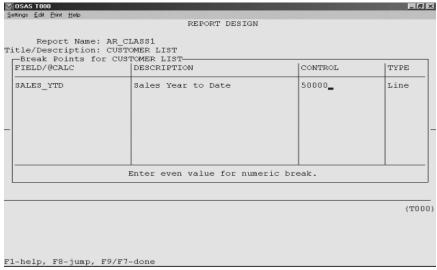
You are returned to the General Report Writer Options menu.

Select Prompt from the GENERAL Report Writer Options Menu.

The next example will demonstrate how the control field works for numeric fields.

Select the AR\_CLASS1 report in the Report Name field and choose Break when the Verification prompt is displayed.

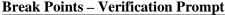


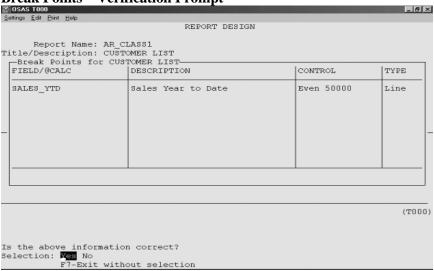


When the Break Point verification prompt is displayed, select No

Enter to the Control field for the Sales YTD break. By default, General Report Writer creates a break on each number. Control allows you to group numeric values together in even amounts.

Enter the number 50000. This will create a break point for numeric amounts in 50000 increments. The numbers 0-49999 will have a break point of 0, 50000-99999 will have a break point of 50000 and so on.





Press the Enter key until you get to a blank field. The Control field should change to Even 50000.

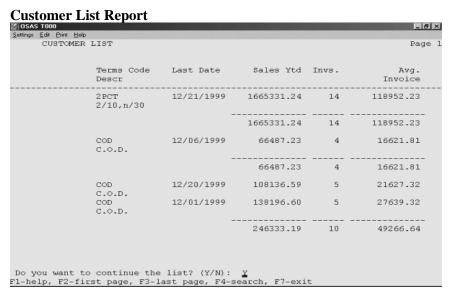
Select the done function key to display the Verification prompt. Select Yes to save the changes made in Breaks and to return to the Report Design screen.

Select Run, to generate the report Select the Output device for the report.

Select VDT to print the report to the screen.

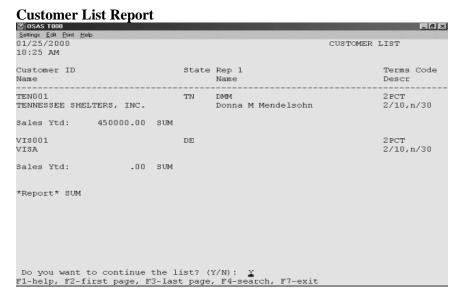
**Customer List Report** OSAS T000 Settings Edit Print Help 01/25/2000 CUSTOMER LIST 10:23 AM Customer ID State Rep 1 Terms Code ACE BUILDERS Garry P. Deacon 2/10,n/30 Sales Ytd: 1650000.00 SUM COD CASH SALES-OAKLAND, CA C.O.D. Sales Ytd: 50000.00 SUM C.O.D. CASH SALES-BALTIMORE, MD CASH SALES-MINNEAPOLIS C.O.D. Sales Ytd: 100000.00 SUM Do you want to continue the list? (Y/N):  $\underline{X}$  F1-help, F2-first page, F3-last page, F4-search, F7-exit

Now the report has subtotals 50000 increments.

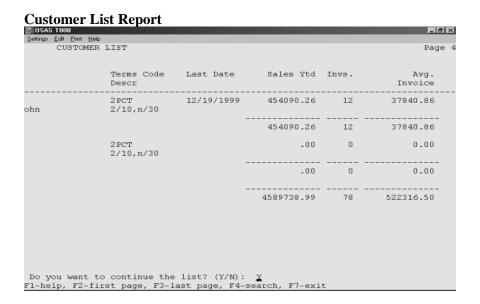


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You can continue the list and see the remaining pages of the report and the recap page, go to the first page, the last page, search for a string or exit the report.



The last page of the report



The Recap page

## Exit the report.

You are returned to the General Report Writer Options menu.

Do you want to continue the list? (Y/N):  $\underline{X}$  F1-help, F2-first page, F3-last page, F4-search, F7-exit

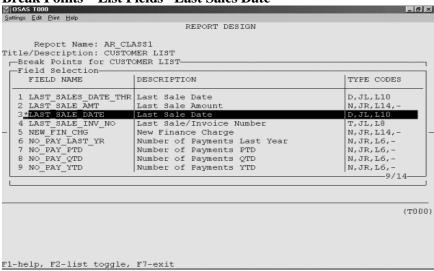
Select Prompt from the GENERAL Report Writer Options Menu.

### **Date Fields**

When the Break Point verification prompt is displayed, select No

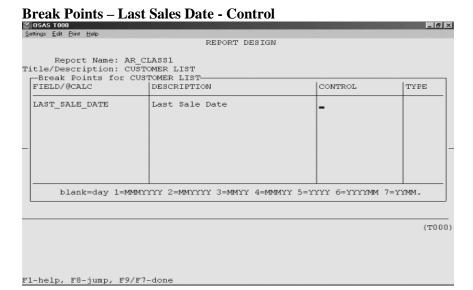
Use the delete function key to remove the Sales YTD Break.

## Break Points - List Fields -Last Sales Date

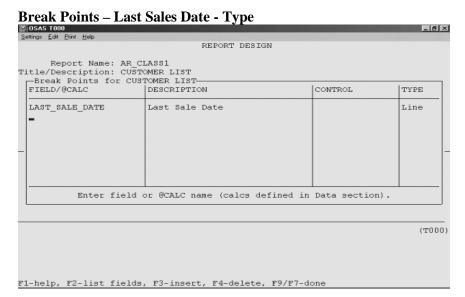


Use the list fields function and select the LAST\_SALE\_DATE field.

The Description of the field defaults.



Leave the Control field blank for now



Select Line in the Type field, to create a line break.

Once all the Break point fields<sup>13</sup> are selected, use the done function key to display the Verification prompt.

Select Yes to save the changes and return to the Report Design screen.

To generate the report, select Run from the Report Design screen.

Select Run Report from the Execute Options box.

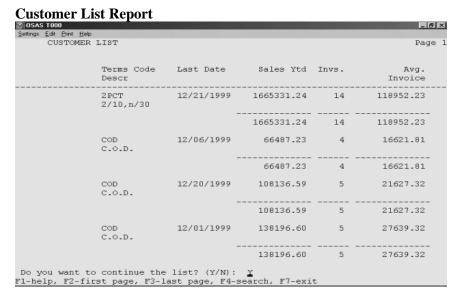
Select the Output device for the report.

Select VDT to print the report to the screen.

**Customer List Report** 01/25/2000 10:18 AM CUSTOMER LIST Customer ID State Rep 1 Terms Code ACE BUILDERS Garry P. Deacon 2/10,n/30 Last Date: 12/21/1999 SUM COD CASH SALES-OAKLAND, CA C.O.D. Last Date: 12/06/1999 SUM CASH SALES-BALTIMORE, MD C.O.D. Last Date: 12/20/1999 SUM CASHMN COD CASH SALES-MINNEAPOLIS C.O.D. Last Date: 12/01/1999 SUM Do you want to continue the list? (Y/N): YF1-help, F2-first page, F3-last page, F4-search, F7-exit

Now the report has subtotals based on the Last Sales Date field.

13 General Report Writer supports a maximum of 9 break point fields in prompt mode.



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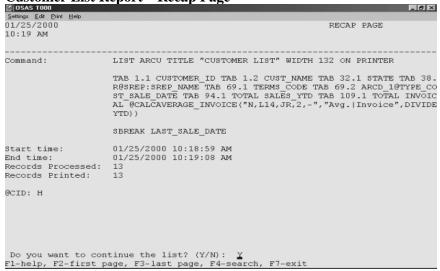
You can continue the list and see the remaining pages of the report and the recap page, go to the first page, the last page, and search for string or exit the report

**Customer List Report** OSAS T000
Settings Edit Print Help
01/25/2000 \_ 8 × CUSTOMER LIST 10:19 AM Customer ID State Rep 1 Terms Code Name Name Descr TEN001 TENNESSEE SHELTERS, INC. DMM 2/10,n/30 Donna M Mendelsohn Last Date: 12/19/1999 SUM VISO01 DE 2 PCT 2/10,n/30 Last Date: SUM \*Report\* SUM Do you want to continue the list? (Y/N):  $\underline{X}$  F1-help, F2-first page, F3-last page, F4-search, F7-exit

Last page of the report

**Customer List Report** OSAS T000 Settings Edit Print Help CUSTOMER LIST Terms Code Sales Ytd Invs. Last Date Ava. 12/19/1999 454090.26 12 37840.86 ohn 2/10,n/30 454090.26 12 37840.86 2PCT 2/10,n/30 .00 0.00 .00 0.00 4589738.99 78 522316.50 Do you want to continue the list? (Y/N):  $\underline{Y}$  F1-help, F2-first page, F3-last page, F4-search, F7-exit

**Customer List Report – Recap Page** 



The Recap Page

## Exit the Report.

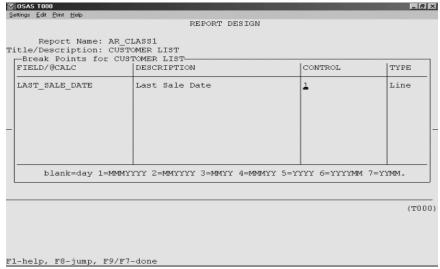
You are returned to the General Report Writer Options menu.

Select Prompt from the GENERAL Report Writer Options Menu.

The next example will demonstrate how the control field works for date fields.

Select the AR\_CLASS1 report in the Report Name field and choose Break when the Verification prompt is displayed.





By default, General Report Writer creates a break point for each date, when a date field is used in Break. The control field allows you to group the dates together, based on month and year information.

When the Break Point verification prompt is displayed, select No

Enter to the Control field for the Last Sales Date break.

| <b>Option</b> | <u>Description</u>   |
|---------------|--|
| Blank=day     | Breaks on the full date.                                       |
| 1-MMMYYYY     | Breaks on the date using a 3-character month and 4-digit year. |
|               | Example: JAN/1999  |
| 2-MMYYYY      | Breaks on the date using a 2-digit month and 4-digit year.     |
|               | Example: 01/1999   |
| 3 - MMYY      | Breaks on the date using a 2-digit month and 2-digit year.     |
|               | Example: 01/99   |
| 4-MMMYY       | Breaks on the date using a 3-character month and 2-digit year. |
|               | Example: JAN/99  |
| 5 – YYYY      | Breaks on the 4-digit year only.                               |
|               | Example: 1999  |
| 6 - YYYYMM    | Breaks on the date using a 4-digit year and 2-digit month.     |
|               | Example: 1999/01   |
| 7 - YYMM      | Breaks on the date using a 2-digit year and 2-digit month.     |
|               | Example: 99/01   |

Enter a number 1.

Press the Enter key until you get to a blank field. The Control field should change to MMMYYYY.

Select the done function key to display the Verification prompt.

Select Yes to save the changes made in Breaks and to return to the Report Design screen.

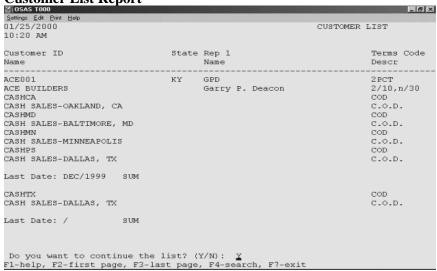
To generate the report, select Run from the Report Design screen.

Select Run Report from the Execute Options box.

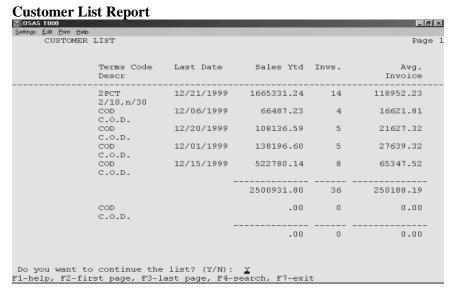
Select the Output device for the report.

Select VDT to print the report to the screen.

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Now the report has subtotals based on a 3-character month and 4-digit year.



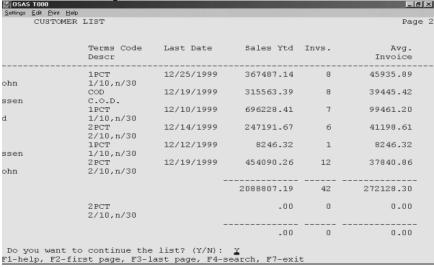
If you print to the screen, use the left and right arrows to shift between the left and right sides of the screen.

You can continue the list and see the remaining pages of the report and the recap page, go to the first page, the last page, search for a string or exit the report.

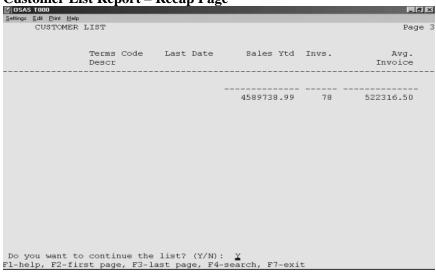
**Customer List Report** OSAS T000
Settings Edit Print Help
01/25/2000
10:20 AM CUSTOMER LIST Customer ID State Rep 1 Terms Code DAL001 1/10,n/30 DALLAS-FT WORTH DOME HOMES Donna M Mendelsohn C.O.D. GREATER NEW YORK DOMES, INC. Patrick R Thomassen KAN001 KANSAS CITY GEODESIC HOMES 1PCT 1/10,n/30 James A. Hovland 2PCT 2/10,n/30 CA LOS ANGELES CONSTRUCTION CO. Garry P. Deacon SUN001 SUNSHINE HOMES, INC. 1PCT 1/10,n/30 Patrick R Thomassen 2PCT 2/10,n/30 TENNESSEE SHELTERS, INC. Donna M Mendelsohn Last Date: DEC/1999 SUM VISO01 DE 2 PCT VISA 2/10,n/30 Last Date: / SUM Do you want to continue the list? (Y/N): F1-help, F2-first page, F3-last page, F4-search, F7-exit

The last page of the report

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Settings Edit Print Help CUSTOMER LIST



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## Exit the report.

You are returned to the General Report Writer Options menu.

Select Prompt from the GENERAL Report Writer Options Menu.

# **Entering Sorts**

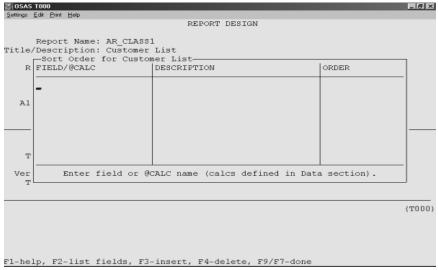
Next, we will select the Sort order of the report.

Select the AR\_CLASS1 report in the Report Name field and choose Sort when the Verification prompt is displayed.

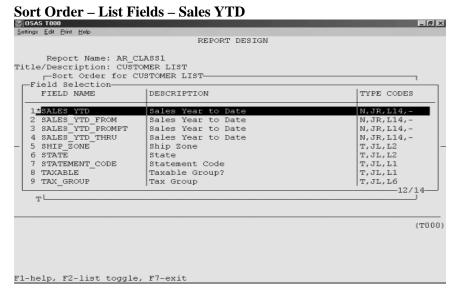
Sorts determine the order the data prints in and the hierarchal order of the report.

If multiple sorts fields are selected, the second level sorts within the first, the third within the second, and so on. Each level can be sorted in ascending or descending order.

## **Sort Order Screen**

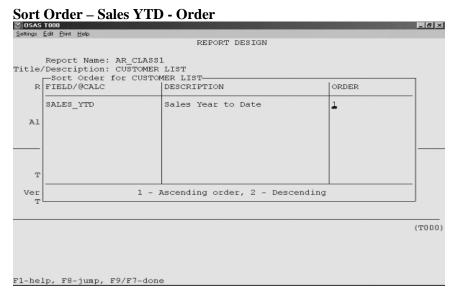


| <b>Command</b> | <u>Description</u>  |
|----------------|---|
| Help           | Select the function key listed to display help for the field or function you are on.    |
| List Fields    | Select the function key listed to display the list of available fields.                 |
| Insert         | Select the function key listed to insert a blank line.                                  |
| Delete         | Select the function key listed to delete a field from sorts.                            |
| Done           | Select the function keys listed to display the Verification prompt and exit Sort Order. |



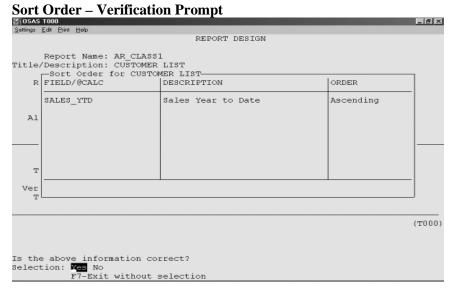
Use the list fields function and select the SALES\_YTD field.

The Description of the field defaults.



The Order field determines if this sort will be in ascending or descending order. Select 1 for Ascending order OR 2 for Descending order.

Select Ascending for this field.



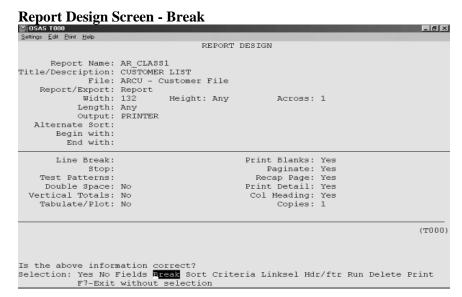
Once all the Sort Order fields<sup>14</sup> are selected, use the done function key to display the Verification prompt.

| <u>Selection</u>       | <u>Description</u>  |  |
|------------------------|---|--|
| Yes                    | Saves the sort order fields and returns you to the Report Design screen.  |  |
| No                     | You can add, edit or delete any sort order fields.  |  |
| Exit without selection | Exits Sort Order without saving any changes. General Report Writer will ask you to verify exiting without saving any changes. |  |
|                        | Select Yes to exit without saving any changes.  |  |
|                        | Select No to re-display the Verification Prompt.  |  |

Select Yes to save the changes and return to the Report Design screen.

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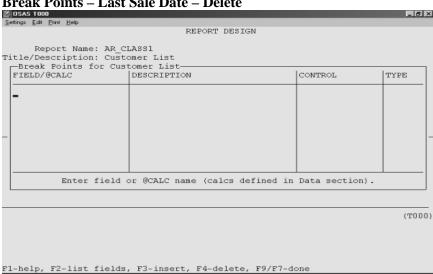
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> General Report Writer supports a maximum of 9 sort order fields in prompt mode.



Select the Break from the Report Design screen.

When the Break Point verification prompt is displayed, select No

Use the delete function key to remove the Last Sales Date break.



**Break Points – Last Sale Date – Delete** 

Select the done function to display the verification prompt.

Select Yes to save the changes made in Breaks and return to the Report Design screen.

To generate the report, select Run from the Report Design screen.

Select Run Report from the Execute Options box.

Select the Output device for the report.

Select VDT to print the report to the screen.

**Customer List Report** Settings Edit Print Help 01/26/2000 02:53 PM CUSTOMER LIST Customer ID State Rep 1 Terms Code CASHTX CASH SALES-DALLAS, TX C.O.D. 2PCT 2/10,n/30 1PCT 1/10,n/30 VISO01 VISA SUN001 SUNSHINE HOMES, INC. Patrick R Thomassen 1/10,n/30 COD C.O.D. COD C.O.D. COD C.O.D. 2PCT 2/10,n/30 CASHCA CASH SALES-OAKLAND, CA CASHMD CASH SALES-BALTIMORE, MD CASH SALES-DALITMORE, PER CASHN CASH SALES-MINNEAPOLIS
LOS001 CA GPD
LOS ANGELES CONSTRUCTION CO. Garry
PRT NY PRT Garry P. Deacon NY COD C.O.D. GREATER NEW YORK DOMES, INC. Patrick R Thomassen Do you want to continue the list? (Y/N):  $\underline{X}$  F1-help, F2-first page, F3-last page, F4-search, F7-exit

The report is now sorted by the Sales YTD field.

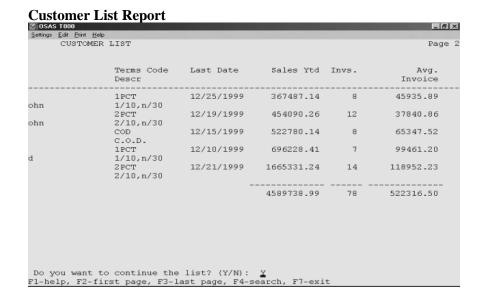
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|-------------------------------|---------------------|------------|-----------|-------|-----------------|
| Settings Edit Print<br>CUSTOR | Help<br>MER LIST    |            |           |       | Page            |
|                               |                     |            |           |       |                 |
|                               | Terms Code<br>Descr | Last Date  | Sales Ytd | Invs. | Avg.<br>Invoice |
|                               | COD<br>C.O.D.       |            | .00       | 0     | 0.00            |
|                               | 2PCT<br>2/10,n/30   |            | .00       | 0     | 0.00            |
| sen                           | 1PCT<br>1/10,n/30   | 12/12/1999 | 8246.32   | 1     | 8246.32         |
| 5011                          | COD<br>C.O.D.       | 12/06/1999 | 66487.23  | 4     | 16621.81        |
|                               | COD<br>C.O.D.       | 12/20/1999 | 108136.59 | 5     | 21627.32        |
|                               | COD<br>C.O.D.       | 12/01/1999 | 138196.60 | 5     | 27639.32        |
|                               | 2PCT<br>2/10,n/30   | 12/14/1999 | 247191.67 | 6     | 41198.61        |
| sen                           | COD<br>C.O.D.       | 12/19/1999 | 315563.39 | 8     | 39445.42        |
|                               |                     |            |           |       |                 |
|                               | t to continue the   |            |           |       |                 |

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You can continue the list, go to the first page, go to the last page, search for a string or exit the report.

**Customer List Report** OSAS T000
Settings Edit Print Help
01/26/2000
02:53 PM CUSTOMER LIST Customer ID State Rep 1 Name Terms Code DAL001 DALLAS-FT WORTH DOME HOMES Donna M Mendelsohn 1/10,n/30 2PCT 2/10,n/30 TENNESSEE SHELTERS, INC. Donna M Mendelsohn CASHPS CASH SALES-DALLAS, TX COD C.O.D. 1PCT 1/10,n/30 2PCT 2/10,n/30 James A. Hovland GPD KANSAS CITY GEODESIC HOMES ACE BUILDERS Garry P. Deacon \*Report\* SUM Do you want to continue the list? (Y/N):  $\underline{X}$ F1-help, F2-first page, F3-last page, F4-search, F7-exit

The last page of the report



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### Exit the report.

You are returned to the General Report Writer Options menu.

Select Prompt from the GENERAL Report Writer Options Menu.

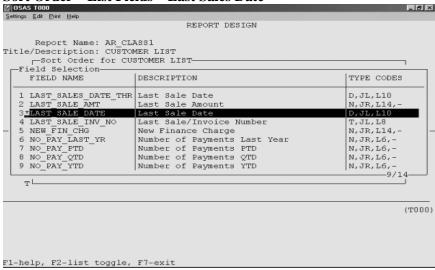
Next, we will use a different field to change the sort order.

Select the AR\_CLASS1 report in the Report Name field and choose Sort when the Verification prompt is displayed.

When the Sort Order verification prompt is displayed, select No

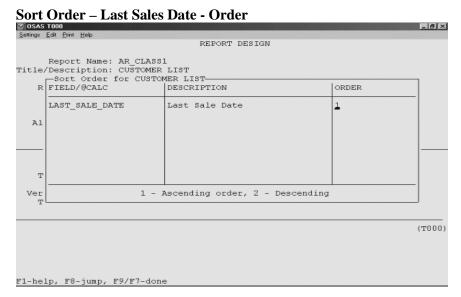
Use the delete function key to remove the Sales YTD sort field.





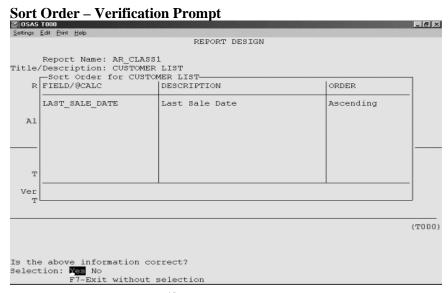
Use the list fields function and select the LAST SALE DATE field.

The Description of the field defaults.



Select the sort order.

Select Ascending for this field.



Once all the Sort Order fields<sup>15</sup> are selected, use the done function key to display the Verification prompt.

Select Yes to save the changes and return to the Report Design screen.

To generate the report, select Run from the Report Design screen.

Select Run Report from the Execute Options box.

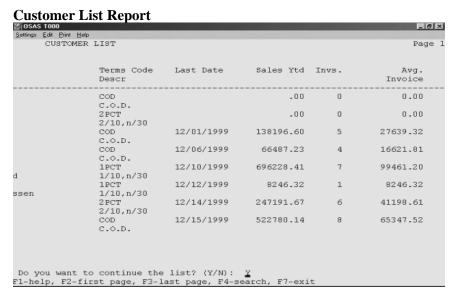
Select the Output device for the report.

Select VDT to print the report to the screen.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> General Report Writer supports a maximum of 9 sort order fields in prompt mode.

**Customer List Report** OSAS T000 Settings Edit Print Help 01/26/2000 CUSTOMER LIST 02:54 PM Customer ID State Rep 1 Terms Code CASH SALES-DALLAS, TX C.O.D. VISO01 2PCT 2/10,n/30 VISA CASHMN C.O.D. CASH SALES-MINNEAPOLIS CASHCA CASH SALES-OAKLAND, CA COD C.O.D. 1PCT 1/10,n/30 KAN001 KANSAS CITY GEODESIC HOMES James A. Hovland SUNSHINE HOMES, INC. 1/10,n/30 2PCT 2/10,n/30 Patrick R Thomassen LOS001 LOS ANGELES CONSTRUCTION CO. Garry P. Deacon CASH SALES-DALLAS, TX C.O.D. Do you want to continue the list? (Y/N):  $\underline{X}$  F1-help, F2-first page, F3-last page, F4-search, F7-exit

The report is now sorted by the Last Sale Date field.

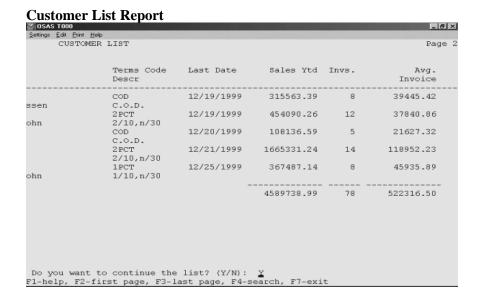


If you print to the screen, use the left and right arrows to shift between the left and right sides of the screen.

You can continue the list, go to the first page, go to the last page, search for a string or exit the report.

**Customer List Report** OSAS T000
Settings Edit Print Help
01/26/2000
02:54 PM CUSTOMER LIST Customer ID State Rep 1 Name Terms Code GRE001 GREATER NEW YORK DOMES, INC. Patrick R Thomassen C.O.D. 2PCT 2/10,n/30 TEN001 TENNESSEE SHELTERS, INC. Donna M Mendelsohn CASHMD
CASH SALES-BALTIMORE, MD COD C.O.D. ACE001 ACE BUILDERS 2PCT 2/10,n/30 Garry P. Deacon DAL001 DALLAS-FT WORTH DOME HOMES 1PCT 1/10,n/30 Donna M Mendelsohn \*Report\* SUM Do you want to continue the list? (Y/N):  $\underline{X}$  F1-help, F2-first page, F3-last page, F4-search, F7-exit

The last page of the report



The Recap page

### Exit the report.

You are returned to the General Report Writer Options menu.

F1-help, F2-first page, F3-last page, F4-search, F7-exit

Do you want to continue the list? (Y/N):

Select Prompt from the GENERAL Report Writer Options Menu.

Next, we see how Break Points and Sort Order work together.

Select the AR\_CLASS1 report in the Report Name field and choose Break when the Verification prompt is displayed.

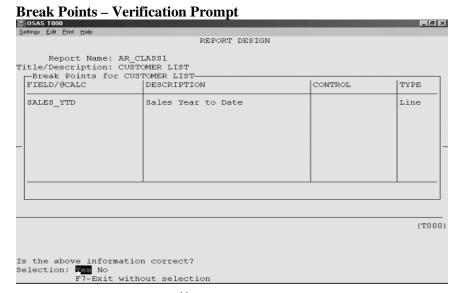
**Break Points – List Fields – Sales YTD** Settings Edit Print Help REPORT DESIGN Report Name: AR\_CLASS1 Title/Description: CUSTOMER LIST -Break Points for CUSTOMER LIST -Field Selection-FIELD NAME TYPE CODES Sales Year to Date 2 SALES YTD FROM 3 SALES YTD PROMPT 4 SALES YTD THRU Sales Year to Date N, JR, L14, -Sales Year to Date Sales Year to Date N.JR.L14.-5 SHIP ZONE 6 STATE Ship Zone T,JL,L2 T,JL,L1 State 7 STATEMENT\_CODE Statement Code 8 TAXABLE Taxable Group? T. JI. J.1 -12/14-(TOOO)F1-help, F2-list toggle, F7-exit

Use the list fields function and select the SALES\_YTD field.

The Description of the field defaults.

Leave the Control field blank for now

Select Line in the Type field, to create a line break.



Once all the Break point fields<sup>16</sup> are selected, use the done function key to display the Verification prompt.

Select Yes to save the changes and return to the Report Design screen.

To generate the report, select Run from the Report Design screen.

Select Run Report from the Execute Options box.

Select the Output device for the report.

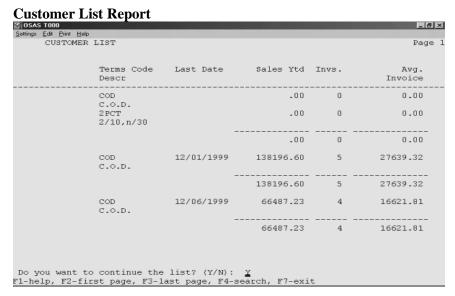
Select VDT to print the report to the screen.

**Customer List Report** \_ B X OSAS TOOO CUSTOMER LIST 03:01 PM Customer ID State Rep 1 Terms Code Name Name Descr COD CASH SALES-DALLAS, TX C.O.D. VISO01 DE VISA 2/10,n/30 Sales Ytd: .00 SUM CASHMN COD CASH SALES-MINNEAPOLIS C.O.D. Sales Ytd: 138196.60 SUM COD CASH SALES-OAKLAND, CA C.O.D. Sales Ytd: 66487.23 Do you want to continue the list? (Y/N):  $\underline{X}$  F1-help, F2-first page, F3-last page, F4-search, F7-exit

The report is now sorted by the Last Sale Date field and had break points based on the Sales YTD field.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> General Report Writer supports a maximum of 9 break point fields in prompt mode.

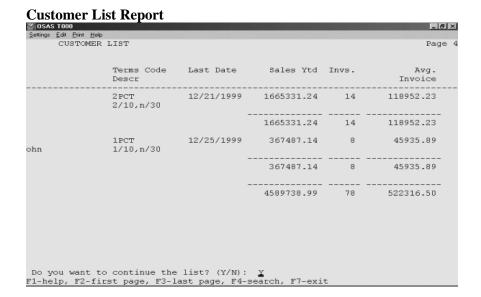


If you print to the screen, use the left and right arrows to shift between the left and right sides of the screen.

You can continue the list, go to the first page, go to the last page, search for a string or exit the report.

**Customer List Report** OSAS T000 Settings Edit Print Help 01/26/2000 \_ 8 × CUSTOMER LIST 03:01 PM Customer ID State Rep 1 Terms Code Name Descr 2/10,n/30 ACE BUILDERS Garry P. Deacon Sales Ytd: 1665331.24 SUM 1PCT 1/10,n/30 DALLAS-FT WORTH DOME HOMES Donna M Mendelsohn Sales Ytd: 367487.14 SUM \*Report\* SUM Do you want to continue the list? (Y/N): XF1-help, F2-first page, F3-last page, F4-search, F7-exit

The last page of the report



The Recap page

### Exit the report.

You are returned to the General Report Writer Options menu.

Select Prompt from the GENERAL Report Writer Options Menu.

Select the AR\_CLASS1 report in the Report Name field and choose Break when the Verification prompt is displayed.

When the Break Point verification prompt is displayed, select No

Use the delete function key to remove the Sales YTD break.

Break Points - List Fields - Customer ID Report Name: AR\_CLASS1
Title/Description: CUSTOMER LIST
—Break Points for CUSTOMER LIST—Field Selection— TYPE CODES Current Amount Due CURR\_AMT\_DUE N, JR, L14, 2\*CUSTOMER ID Customer ID T, JL, L6 2 TOUSTOMER ID
3 CUSTOMER ID 2
4 CUSTOMER ID FROM
5 CUSTOMER ID FROMPT
6 CUSTOMER ID SHORT
7 CUSTOMER ID THRU
8 CUST CLASS T,JL,L6 T,JL,L6 Customer ID T,JL,L3 T,JL,L6 T,JL,L6 Customer ID Customer ID Customer Class 8 CUST CLASS 9 CUST\_HIGH\_BAL -5/14-

Use the list fields function and select the CUSTOMER\_ID field.

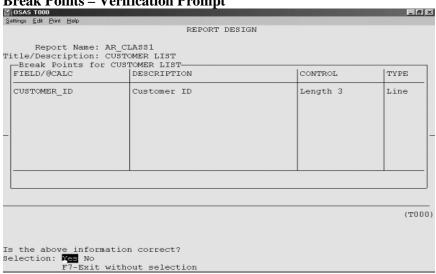
The Description of the field defaults.

F1-help, F2-list toggle, F7-exit

Enter the number 3 in the control field.

Select line break for this field.

**Break Points - Verification Prompt** 



Once all the Break point fields<sup>17</sup> are selected, use the done function key to display the Verification prompt.

Select Yes to save the changes and return to the Report Design screen.

The Report Design screen verification prompt is displayed select Sort.

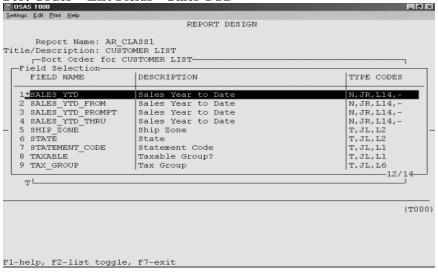
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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> General Report Writer supports a maximum of 9 break point fields in prompt mode.

When the Sort Order verification prompt is displayed, select No

Use the delete function key to remove the Last Sales Date sort field.

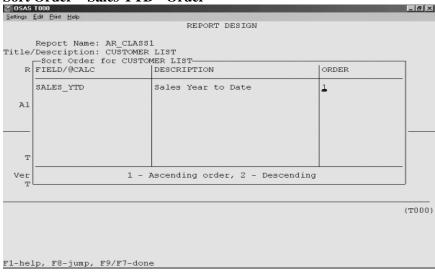
## Sort Order - List Fields - Sales YTD



Use the list fields function and select the SALES\_YTD field.

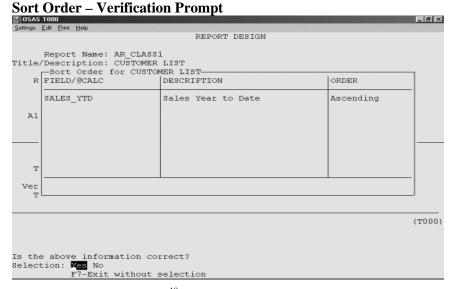
The Description of the field defaults.

## Sort Order - Sales YTD - Order



Select the sort order.

Select Ascending for this field.



Once all the Sort Order fields<sup>18</sup> are selected, use the done function key to display the Verification prompt.

Select Yes to save the changes and return to the Report Design screen.

To generate the report, select Run from the Report Design screen.

Select Run Report from the Execute Options box.

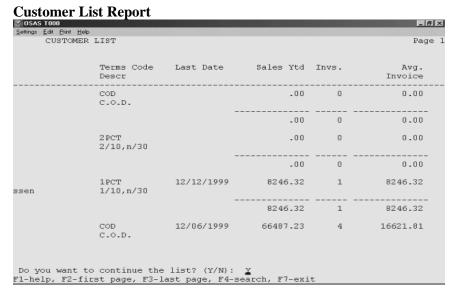
Select the Output device for the report.

Select VDT to print the report to the screen.

**Customer List Report** CUSTOMER LIST 02:55 PM Customer ID State Rep 1 Terms Code CASH SALES-DALLAS, TX C.O.D. Customer ID: CAS\* SUM VISOO1 DE 2/10,n/30 Customer ID: VIS\* SUM FL1/10,n/30 SUNSHINE HOMES, INC. Patrick R Thomassen Customer ID: SUN\* SUM COD CASH SALES-OAKLAND, CA C.O.D. Do you want to continue the list? (Y/N): XF1-help, F2-first page, F3-last page, F4-search, F7-exit

The report is now sorted by the Sales YTD field and has a break based on the first 3 characters of the Customer ID field.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>18</sup> General Report Writer supports a maximum of 9 sort order fields in prompt mode.

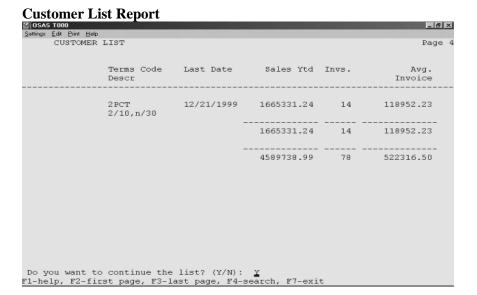


If you print to the screen, use the left and right arrows to shift between the left and right sides of the screen.

You can continue the list, go to the first page, go to the last page, search for a string or exit the report.

**Customer List Report** OSAS T000
Settings Edit Print Help
01/26/2000 \_ 8 × CUSTOMER LIST 02:55 PM Customer ID State Rep 1 Terms Code Name Descr Name ACE001 GPD 2PCT 2/10,n/30 ACE BUILDERS Garry P. Deacon Customer ID: ACE\* SUM \*Report\* SUM Do you want to continue the list? (Y/N):  $\underline{X}$ F1-help, F2-first page, F3-last page, F4-search, F7-exit

The last page of the report



The Recap page

#### Exit the report.

You are returned to the General Report Writer Options menu.

F1-help, F2-first page, F3-last page, F4-search, F7-exit

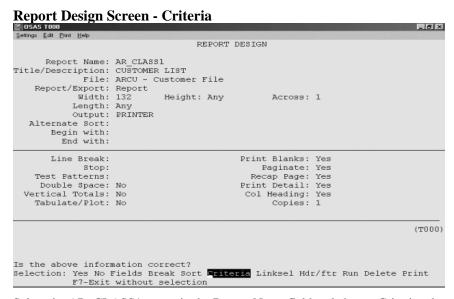
Do you want to continue the list? (Y/N):

Select Prompt from the GENERAL Report Writer Options Menu

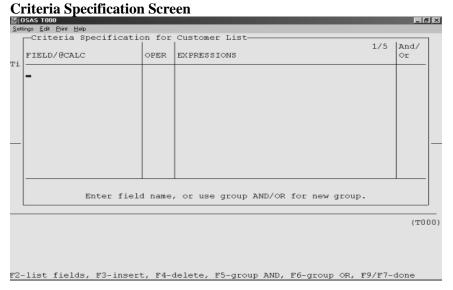
# **Entering Criteria**

There are 2 types of criteria supported by General Report Writer.

- 1. Hard Coded. This method is used for criteria that you do not want to change when you run the report. The criteria are entered and General Report Writer uses that to select the data returned on the report.
- 2. Run Time. This method is used for criteria that you may want to change when you run the report. You are prompted for the criteria at the time you run the report. General Report Writer then chooses the data that is returned on the report.



Select the AR\_CLASS1 report in the Report Name field and choose Criteria when the Verification prompt is displayed.



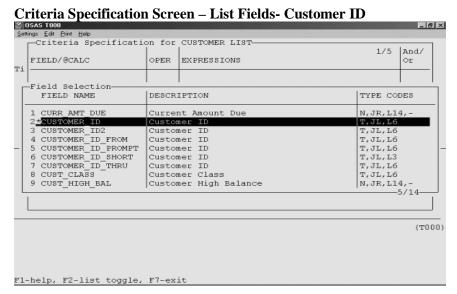
Criteria are used to limit or filter the data returned on the report.

| <b>Command</b> | <u>Description</u>   |
|----------------|--|
| List fields    | Use the function key listed to select the fields for the Field/@Calc or Expression fields.                       |
| List operators | Use the function key listed to select the comparison operator for the criteria.                                  |
| Insert         | Use the function key listed to insert a blank line.  |
| Delete         | Use the function key listed to remove a line of criteria.  |
| Group AND      | Use the function key listed to add group or multilevel comparison.   |
|                | General Report Writer will compare all the criteria in all groups.   |
|                | The data returned on the report must match all criteria in the first group AND all criteria in the second group. |
| Group OR       | Use the function key listed to add group or multilevel comparison.   |
|                | General Report Writer will compare all the criteria in all groups.   |
|                | The data returned on the report must match all criteria in the first group OR all criteria in the second group.  |
| Done           | Use the function key listed to display the Verification prompt and exit Criteria Specification.                  |

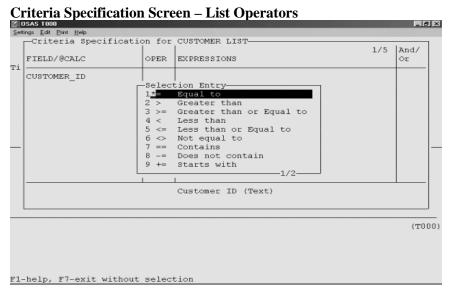
## **Hard Coded Criteria**

These next examples will use hard coding for the criteria. We will tell General Report Writer what fields we want to use in Criteria and what data we want returned on the report before the report is generated.

### **Text Fields**

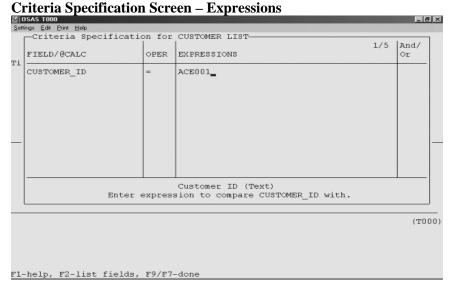


Use the list fields function and select the CUSTOMER\_ID field.



Use the list operators function to select the comparison operator for the field and the Expression.

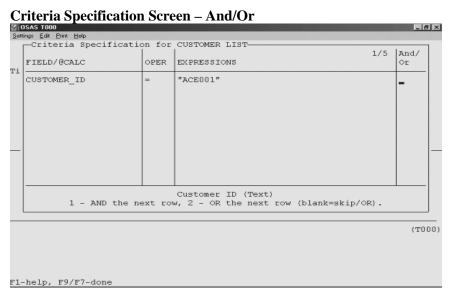
Select Equal to for this field.



Enter the Expressions you want to compare with the field.

The Expressions can be another field from the central file, you can manually type in the expressions, or you can enter a runtime replacement for the expression.

## Enter ACE001 for the Customer ID field



Quotes are required around the Expressions for Text field criteria. General Report Writer will automatically place the quotes around the expression. You can also manually place the quotes around the Expression.

The And/Or field is used if you want to add more criteria. Select 1 for And if you want the report to match this set of criteria and the next set of criteria. Select 2 for OR if you want the report to match this set of criteria or the next set of criteria.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>19</sup> You can select up to 60 criteria fields in prompt mode.



Once all the Criteria fields have been entered, select the done function key to display the verification prompt.<sup>20</sup>

| <u>Selection</u>       | <u>Description</u>  |  |
|------------------------|---|--|
| Yes                    | Saves the criteria specification fields and returns you to the Report Design screen.  |  |
| No                     | You can add, edit or delete any criteria fields.  |  |
| Exit without selection | Exits Criteria Specification without saving any changes. General Report Writer will ask you to verify exiting without saving any changes. |  |
|                        | Select Yes to exit without saving any changes.  |  |
|                        | Select No to re-display the Verification Prompt.  |  |

Select Yes to save the changes and return to the Report Design screen.

To generate the report, select Run from the Report Design screen.

Select Run Report from the Execute Options box.

Select the Output device for the report.

Select VDT to print the report to the screen.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>20</sup> You can select up to 60 criteria fields in prompt mode.

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10:58 AM

Customer ID

Name

Customer ID

Name

ACE001

ACE BUILDERS

Customer ID: ACE\* SUM

\*Report\* SUM

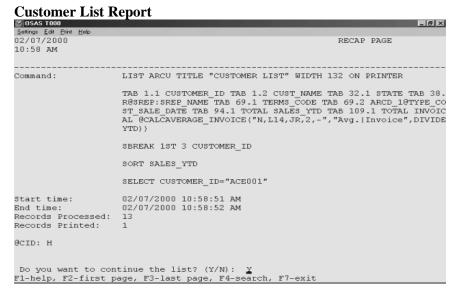
Do you want to continue the list? (Y/N): ¥
F1-help, F2-first page, F3-last page, F4-search, F7-exit

The report only prints for customer ACE001.

We still get a subtotal based on the first 3characters of the Customer ID

**Customer List Report** OSAS T000
Settings Edit Print Help CUSTOMER LIST Terms Code Last Date Sales Ytd Invs. Avg. Descr Invoice 2PCT 2/10,n/30 12/21/1999 1665331.24 14 118952.23 1665331.24 118952.23 14 1665331.24 14 118952.23 Do you want to continue the list? (Y/N):  $\underline{X}$  F1-help, F2-first page, F3-last page, F4-search, F7-exit

If you print to the screen, use the left and right arrows to shift between the left and right sides of the screen. You can continue the list, go to the first page, go to the last page, search for a string or exit the report.



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### Exit the report.

You are returned to the General Report Writer Options menu.

Select Prompt from the GENERAL Report Writer Options Menu.

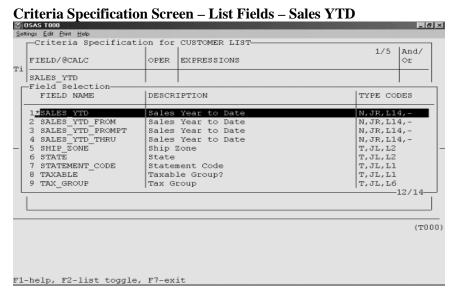
## **Numeric Fields**

Next, we will enter criteria for numeric fields.

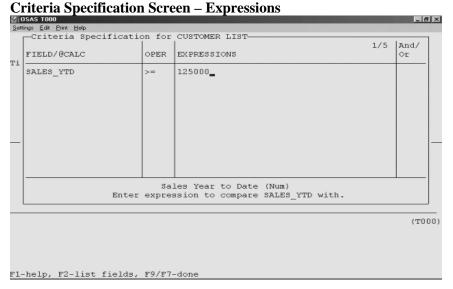
Select the AR\_CLASS1 report in the Report Name field and choose Criteria when the Verification prompt is displayed.

When the Criteria Specification screen verification prompt is displayed, select No

Use the delete function key to remove the CUSTOMER ID criteria field.



Use the list fields function and select the SALES\_YTD field.

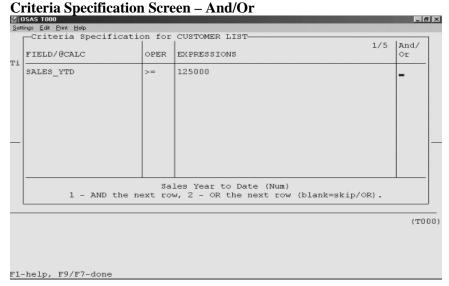


Use the list operators function to select the comparison operator for the field and the Expression.

## Select greater than or equal to (>=) for the operator.

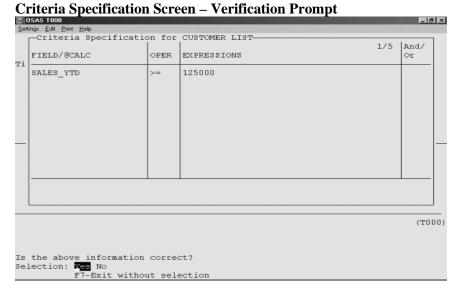
Enter the Expressions you want to compare with the field.

## Enter 125000 in the Expressions field.



Quotes are NOT required around the Expressions for Numeric field criteria. General Report Writer will not automatically place the quotes around the expression.

Leave the And/Or field blank.



Once all the Criteria fields have been entered, select the done function key to display the verification prompt. <sup>21</sup>

Select Yes to save the changes and return to the Report Design screen.

To generate the report, select Run from the Report Design screen.

Select Run Report from the Execute Options box.

Select the Output device for the report.

Select VDT to print the report to the screen.

**Customer List Report** 02/07/2000 11:00 AM CUSTOMER LIST Customer ID State Rep 1 Terms Code Descr CASH SALES-MINNEAPOLIS C.O.D. Customer ID: CAS\* SUM GPD Garry P. Deacon LOS ANGELES CONSTRUCTION CO. 2/10,n/30 Customer ID: LOS\* SUM GREATER NEW YORK DOMES, INC. Patrick R Thomassen Customer ID: GRE\* SUM DAT-001 TX DMM DALLAS-FT WORTH DOME HOMES 1/10,n/30 Donna M Mendelsohn Customer ID: DAL\* Do you want to continue the list? (Y/N): F1-help, F2-first page, F3-last page, F4-search, F7-exit

The report only prints for customer who have Sales YTD greater than 125000.

We still get a subtotal based on the first 3characters of the Customer ID and the report is still sorted by the Sales YTD field.

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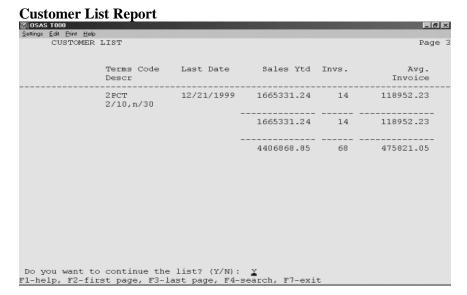
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>21</sup> You can select up to 60 criteria fields in prompt mode.

**Customer List Report** OSAS TODO
Settings Edit Print Help
CUSTOMER LIST Last Date Sales Ytd Invs. Terms Code Avg. Invoice 12/01/1999 138196.60 27639.32 C.O.D. 5 138196.60 27639.32 12/14/1999 247191.67 6 41198.61 2/10,n/30 247191.67 41198.61 COD C.O.D. 12/19/1999 315563.39 8 39445.42 ssen 315563.39 39445.42 12/25/1999 367487.14 8 45935.89 1/10,n/30 367487.14 45935.89 Do you want to continue the list? (Y/N):  $\underline{X}$  F1-help, F2-first page, F3-last page, F4-search, F7-exit

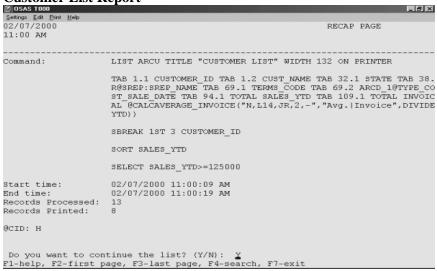
If you print to the screen, use the left and right arrows to shift between the left and right sides of the screen.

You can continue the list, go to the first page, go to the last page, search for a string or exit the report.

The last page of the report.



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### Exit the report.

You are returned to the General Report Writer Options menu.

Select Prompt from the GENERAL Report Writer Options Menu.

#### **Date Fields**

Next, we will enter criteria for Date fields.

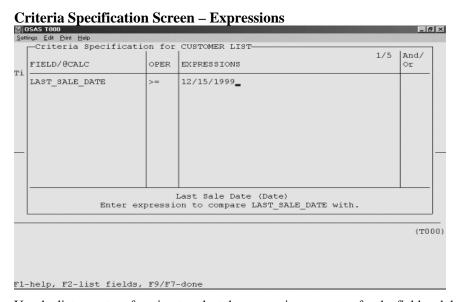
Select the AR\_CLASS1 report in the Report Name field and choose Criteria when the Verification prompt is displayed.

When the Criteria Specification screen verification prompt is displayed, select No

Use the delete function key to remove the SALES\_YTD criteria field.



Use the list fields function and select the LAST\_SALE\_DATE field.

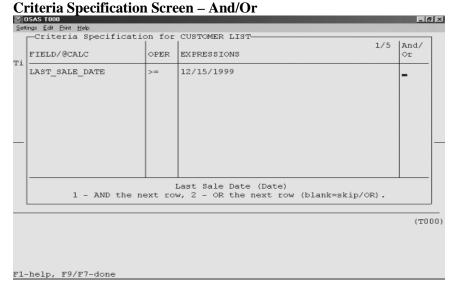


Use the list operators function to select the comparison operator for the field and the Expression.

#### Select greater than or equal to (>=) for the operator.

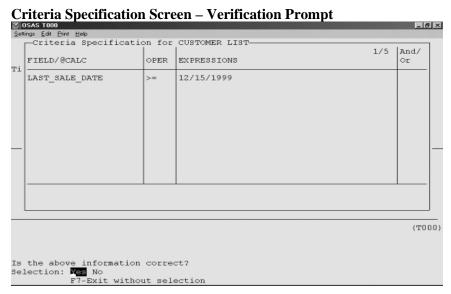
Enter the Expressions you want to compare with the field.

Enter 12/15/1999 in the Expressions field.



General Report Writer will not automatically place the quotes around the expression.

# Leave the And/Or field blank.



Once all the Criteria fields have been entered, select the done function key to display the verification prompt.<sup>22</sup>

Select Yes to save the changes and return to the Report Design screen.

To generate the report, select Run from the Report Design screen.

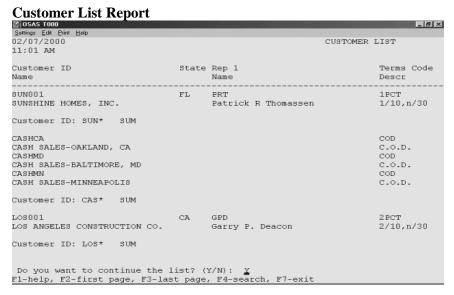
Select Run Report from the Execute Options box.

Select the Output device for the report.

Select VDT to print the report to the screen.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>22</sup> You can select up to 60 criteria fields in prompt mode.



The Report still prints dates that are outside of the date criteria we specified. The criteria did eliminate the customers that had a blank sales date. This is based on the way we entered the expression for the date field criteria.

| Settings Edit Prin<br>CUSTO | MER LIST            |            |           |       | Page            |
|-----------------------------|---------------------|------------|-----------|-------|-----------------|
|                             | Terms Code<br>Descr | Last Date  | Sales Ytd | Invs. | Avg.<br>Invoice |
| sen                         | 1PCT<br>1/10,n/30   | 12/12/1999 | 8246.32   | 1     | 8246.32         |
|                             |                     |            | 8246.32   | 1     | 8246.32         |
|                             | COD<br>C.O.D.       | 12/06/1999 | 66487.23  | 4     | 16621.81        |
|                             | COD<br>C.O.D.       | 12/20/1999 | 108136.59 | 5     | 21627.32        |
|                             | COD<br>C.O.D.       | 12/01/1999 | 138196.60 | 5     | 27639.32        |
|                             |                     |            | 312820.42 | 14    | 65888.45        |
|                             | 2PCT<br>2/10,n/30   | 12/14/1999 | 247191.67 | 6     | 41198.61        |
|                             |                     |            | 247191.67 | 6     | 41198.61        |

If you print to the screen, use the left and right arrows to shift between the left and right sides of the screen.

You can continue the list, go to the first page, go to the last page, search for a string or exit the report.

#### Exit the report.

You are returned to the General Report Writer Options menu.

Select Prompt from the GENERAL Report Writer Options Menu.

We need to edit the expression in criteria so that General Report Writer can recognize the date and filter the data correctly.

Select the AR\_CLASS1 report in the Report Name field and choose Criteria when the Verification prompt is displayed.

When the Criteria Specification screen verification prompt is displayed, select No

When you hard code date fields in General Report Writer you must manually place quotes around the date in order for General Report Writer to select the correct data.

Enter to the Expressions field and add quotes ("") around the 12/15/1999 date. 23

When you edit the Expression you must enter to the And/Or field or the expression will not be saved.

Leave the And/Or field blank.

<sup>23</sup> If you are using version 5.1 or 5.2 of General Report Writer you must enter Date criteria using run time replacements. See Appendix B for more information.

After you edit the Expressions, select the done function key to display the verification prompt.

# Select Yes to save the changes and return to the Report Design screen.

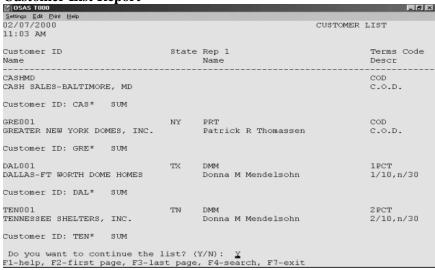
To generate the report, select Run from the Report Design screen.

# Select Run Report from the Execute Options box.

Select the Output device for the report.

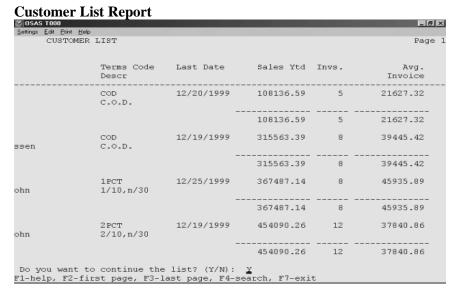
Select VDT to print the report to the screen.

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With the quotes around the date expression, we get the correct data on the report.

We still get a subtotal based on the first 3characters of the Customer ID and the report is still sorted by the Sales YTD field.



If you print to the screen, use the left and right arrows to shift between the left and right sides of the screen.

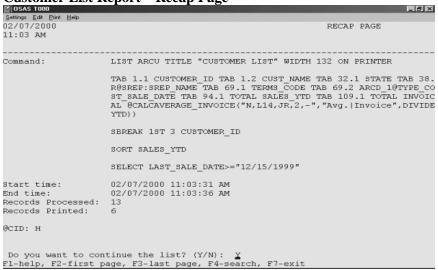
You can continue the list, go to the first page, go to the last page, search for a string or exit the report.

**Customer List Report** OSAS T000
Settings Edit Print Help
02/07/2000
11:03 AM \_ 8 × CUSTOMER LIST Customer ID State Rep 1 Terms Code CASHPS COD CASH SALES-DALLAS, TX Customer ID: CAS\* SUM ACE001 ACE BUILDERS Garry P. Deacon 2/10,n/30 Customer ID: ACE\* SUM \*Report\* SUM Do you want to continue the list? (Y/N):  $\underline{X}$  F1-help, F2-first page, F3-last page, F4-search, F7-exit

The last page of the report.

**Customer List Report** OSAS TODO
Settings Edit Print Help CUSTOMER LIST Terms Code Last Date Sales Ytd Invs. COD 12/15/1999 C.O.D. 522780.14 65347.52 522780.14 65347.52 2PCT 2/10,n/30 12/21/1999 1665331.24 14 118952.23 1665331.24 14 118952.23 3433388.76 55 329149.24 Do you want to continue the list? (Y/N):  $\underline{X}$  F1-help, F2-first page, F3-last page, F4-search, F7-exit

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# Exit the report.

You are returned to the General Report Writer Options menu.

Select Prompt from the GENERAL Report Writer Options Menu.

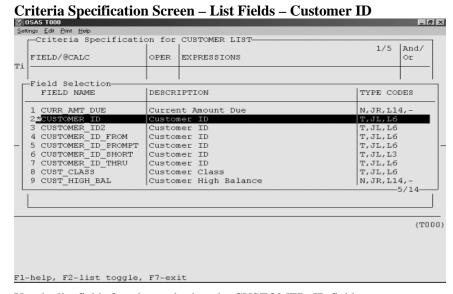
#### From/Thru Criteria

The next examples demonstrate how to setup Hard Coded From/Thru Criteria.

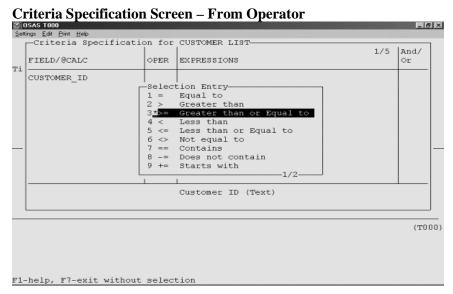
Select the AR\_CLASS1 report in the Report Name field and choose Criteria when the Verification prompt is displayed.

When the Criteria Specification screen verification prompt is displayed, select No

Use the delete function key to remove the LAST\_SALE\_DATE criteria field.

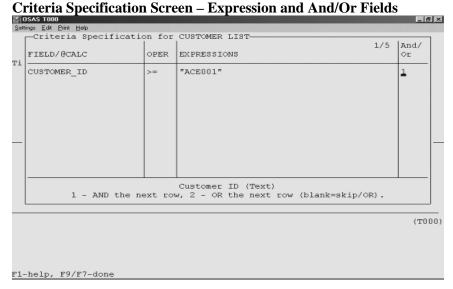


Use the list fields function and select the CUSTOMER\_ID field.



For the From operator use greater than (>) OR greater than or equal to (>=). You can use the list operators function to select the comparison operator for the field and the expression.

*Select greater than or equal to (>=) for the operator.* 



Enter the Expressions you want to compare with the field.

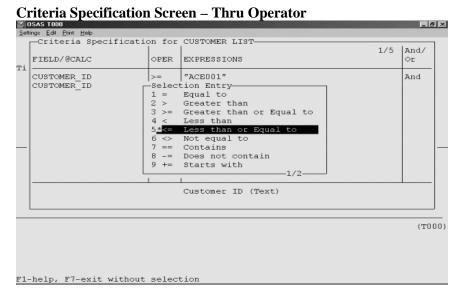
# Enter ACE001 in the Expressions field.

General Report Writer will automatically place the quotes around the expression.

# Select And in the And/Or field.

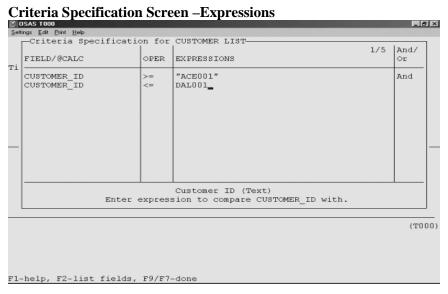
Criteria Specification Screen - List Fields - Customer ID || \_ | & | × | -Criteria Specification for CUSTOMER LIST And/ FIELD/@CALC OPER EXPRESSIONS or CUSTOMER\_ID -Field Selection-FIELD NAME "ACE001" And DESCRIPTION TYPE CODES N.JR.L14.-CURR AMT DUE Current Amount Due 3 CUSTOMER\_ID2 4 CUSTOMER\_ID\_FROM T,JL,L6 T,JL,L6 Customer ID T,JL,L6 T,JL,L3 T,JL,L6 T,JL,L6 N,JR,L14,-5 CUSTOMER ID PROMPT 6 CUSTOMER ID SHORT 7 CUSTOMER ID THRU Customer ID Customer ID Customer ID 8 CUST\_CLASS 9 CUST\_HIGH\_BAL Customer High Balance (T000) F1-help, F2-list toggle, F7-exit

Enter to a blank Field/@Calc, use the list fields function, and select the CUSTOMER\_ID field again.



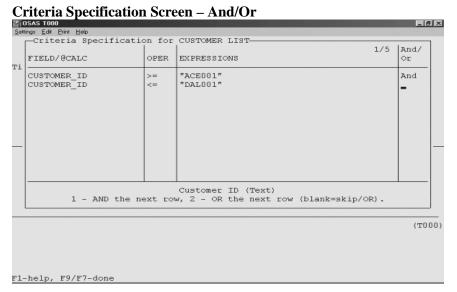
For the Thru operator use less than (<) OR less than or equal to (<=). You can use the list operators function to select the comparison operator for the field and the expression.

Select less than or equal to (<=) for the operator.



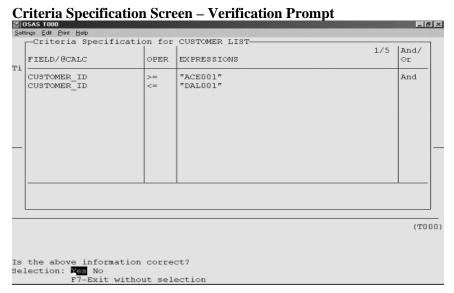
Enter the Expressions you want to compare with the field.

Enter DAL001 in the Expressions field.



General Report Writer will automatically place the quotes around the expression.

# Leave the And/Or field blank.



Once all the criteria have been entered, select the done function key to display the verification prompt.

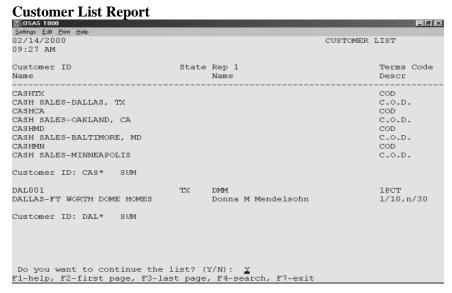
Select Yes to save the changes and return to the Report Design screen.

To generate the report, select Run from the Report Design screen.

Select Run Report from the Execute Options box.

Select the Output device for the report.

Select VDT to print the report to the screen.



Now the report only prints for customers within the range of our criteria information.

We still get a subtotal based on the first 3characters of the Customer ID and the report is still sorted by the Sales YTD field.

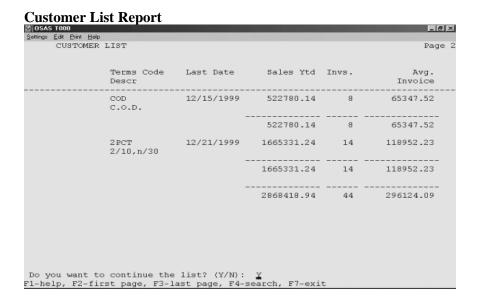
|                     | List Report                      |            |           |       |                 |
|---------------------|----------------------------------|------------|-----------|-------|-----------------|
| Settings Edit Print | Help                             |            |           |       | _6×             |
|                     | ER LIST                          |            |           |       | Page 1          |
|                     | Terms Code<br>Descr              | Last Date  | Sales Ytd | Invs. | Avg.<br>Invoice |
|                     | COD<br>C.O.D.                    |            | .00       | 0     | 0.00            |
|                     | COD<br>C.O.D.                    | 12/06/1999 | 66487.23  | 4     | 16621.81        |
|                     | COD<br>C.O.D.                    | 12/20/1999 | 108136.59 | 5     | 21627.32        |
|                     | COD<br>C.O.D.                    | 12/01/1999 | 138196.60 | 5     | 27639.32        |
|                     |                                  | _          | 312820.42 | 14    | 65888.45        |
| ohn                 | 1PCT<br>1/10,n/30                | 12/25/1999 | 367487.14 | 8     | 45935.89        |
|                     |                                  | -          | 367487.14 | 8     | 45935.89        |
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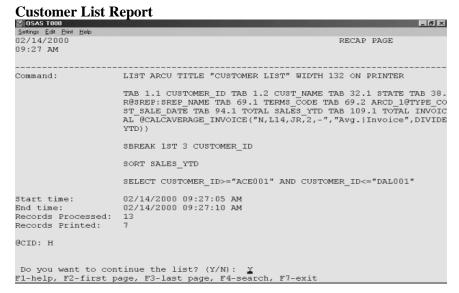
If you print to the screen, use the left and right arrows to shift between the left and right sides of the screen.

You can continue the list, go to the first page, go to the last page, search for a string or exit the report.

**Customer List Report** Settings Edit Print Help 02/14/2000 09:27 AM CUSTOMER LIST State Rep 1 Name Customer ID Terms Code CASH SALES-DALLAS, TX C.O.D. Customer ID: CAS\* SUM ACE001 KY GPD 2PCT 2/10,n/30 ACE BUILDERS Garry P. Deacon Customer ID: ACE\* SUM \*Report\* SUM Do you want to continue the list? (Y/N):  $\underline{X}$  F1-help, F2-first page, F3-last page, F4-search, F7-exit

The last page of the report.





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## Exit the report.

You are returned to the General Report Writer Options menu.

Select Prompt from the GENERAL Report Writer Options Menu.

# **Group And/Group Or**

The next examples demonstrate how the Group And and Group Or functions are used in criteria.

Select the AR\_CLASS1 report in the Report Name field and choose Criteria when the Verification prompt is displayed.



When the Criteria Specification screen verification prompt is displayed, select No

We will add criteria for the Terms Code field. What we want to accomplish is to have the Customers within our range, but only those customers who have Terms that match one code or a second code, which we will enter.

F1-help, F9/F7-done

Enter to the And/Or field for the second Customer ID line, select And to add more criteria.

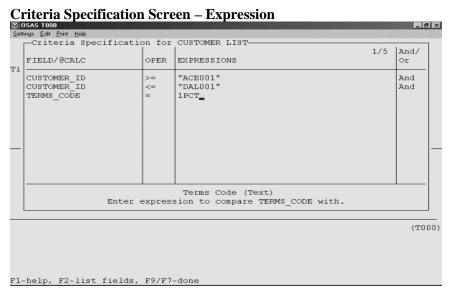
Criteria Specification Screen - List Fields - Term Code OSAS T000 Settings Edit Print Help \_ 6 × -Criteria Specification for CUSTOMER LIST And/ FIELD/@CALC OPER EXPRESSIONS or CUSTOMER\_ID -Field Selection-"ACE001" >= And FIELD NAME DESCRIPTION TYPE CODES 1 \* TERMS CODE T, JL, L6 3 TOTAL DUE Total Due N, JR, L14, -3 TOTAL DOE
4 TOT DAY LAST YR
5 TOT DAY PTD
6 TOT DAY OTD
7 TOT DAY YTD
8 TRAINING FIELD Total Due Total Days to Pay Last Year Total Days to Pay PTD Total Days to Pay QTD Total Days to Pay YTD Data Dictionary Training Field N,JR,L9,-N, JR, L9, -N, JR, L9, -N,JR,L9,-T,JL,L6 N,JR,L14,-9 UNAPPL\_CREDITS Unapplied Credits -13/14-F1-help, F2-list toggle, F7-exit

Use the list fields function and select the TERM\_CODE field.



Use the list operators function to select the comparison operator for the field and the expression.

Select equal to (=) for the operator.



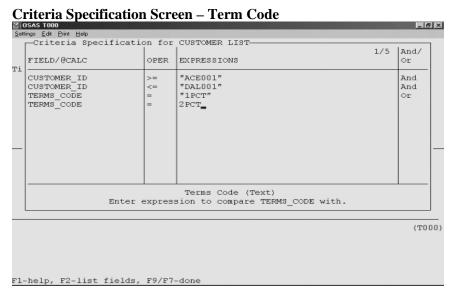
Enter the Expressions you want to compare with the field.

Enter 1PCT in the Expressions field.

General Report Writer will automatically place the quotes around the expression.

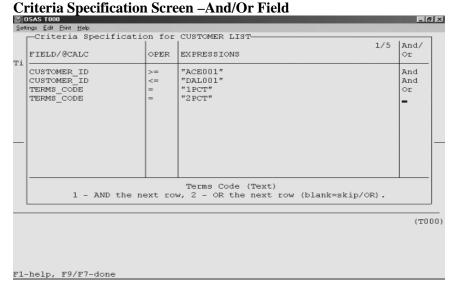
Select Or in the And/Or field.

F1-help, F9/F7-done



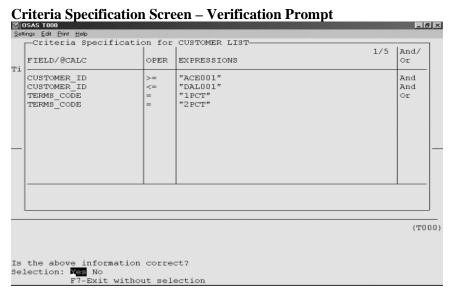
Add another line for the second Term Code field.

Select the TERM\_CODE field again. Select equal to (=) for the Operator, and enter 2PCT for the Expression.



General Report Writer will automatically place the quotes around the expression.

# Leave the And/Or field blank.



With this criteria we want to get only customers between ACE001 and DAL001 but only if the customer has 1 percent terms or 2 percent terms.

Once all the criteria have been entered, select the done function key to display the verification prompt.

Select Yes to save the changes and return to the Report Design screen.

To generate the report, select Run from the Report Design screen.

Select Run Report from the Execute Options box.

Select the Output device for the report.

Select VDT to print the report to the screen.

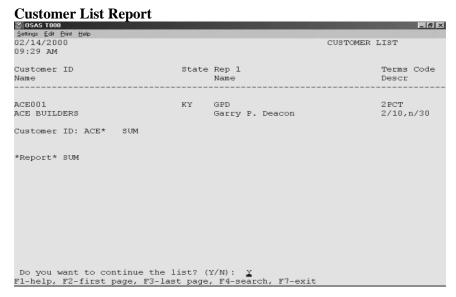
**Customer List Report** Settings Edit Print Help 02/14/2000 09:29 AM CUSTOMER LIST Customer ID State Rep 1 Terms Code VISO01 2/10,n/30 VISA Customer ID: VIS\* SUM GPD 2PCT 2/10,n/30 LOS ANGELES CONSTRUCTION CO. Garry P. Deacon Customer ID: LOS\* SUM 1PCT 1/10,n/30 DALLAS-FT WORTH DOME HOMES Donna M Mendelsohn Customer ID: DAL\* SUM 2PCT 2/10,n/30 DMM TENNESSEE SHELTERS, INC. Donna M Mendelsohn Customer ID: TEN\* SUM Do you want to continue the list? (Y/N):  $\underline{X}$  F1-help, F2-first page, F3-last page, F4-search, F7-exit

The report prints the data based on our criteria selection, however we are not getting the results we wanted. There are customers outside our Customer ID range.

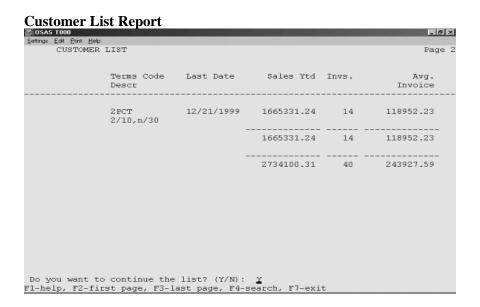
| Customer                     | List Report                            |            |           |       |                 |
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|                              | Terms Code<br>Descr                    | Last Date  | Sales Ytd | Invs. | Avg.<br>Invoice |
|                              | 2PCT<br>2/10,n/30                      |            | .00       | 0     | 0.00            |
|                              |  |            | .00       | 0     | 0.00            |
|                              | 2PCT<br>2/10,n/30                      | 12/14/1999 | 247191.67 | 6     | 41198.61        |
|                              |  |            | 247191.67 | 6     | 41198.61        |
| ohn                          | 1PCT<br>1/10,n/30                      | 12/25/1999 | 367487.14 | 8     | 45935.89        |
|                              |  |            | 367487.14 | 8     | 45935.89        |
| ohn                          | 2PCT<br>2/10,n/30                      | 12/19/1999 | 454090.26 | 12    | 37840.86        |
|                              |  |            | 454090.26 | 12    | 37840.86        |
|                              | t to continue the<br>-first page, F3-1 |            |           | t     |                 |

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You can continue the list, go to the first page, go to the last page, search for a string or exit the report.



The last page of the report.



**Customer List Report** OSAS T000 Settings Edit Print Help RECAP PAGE 09:29 AM LIST ARCU TITLE "CUSTOMER LIST" WIDTH 132 ON PRINTER TAB 1.1 CUSTOMER\_ID TAB 1.2 CUST\_NAME TAB 32.1 STATE TAB 38.
R@SREE:SREE\_NAME TAB 69.1 TERMS\_CODE TAB 69.2 ARCD\_1@TYPE\_CO
ST\_SALE\_DATE TAB 94.1 TOTAL SALES\_YTD TAB 109.1 TOTAL INVOIC
AL @CALCAVERAGE\_INVOICE("N,L14,JR,2,-","Avg.|Invoice",DIVIDE SBREAK 1ST 3 CUSTOMER\_ID SORT SALES YTD SELECT CUSTOMER\_ID>="ACE001" AND CUSTOMER\_ID<="DAL001" AND T TERMS\_CODE="2PCT" Start time: 02/14/2000 09:29:05 AM 02/14/2000 09:29:13 AM End time: Records Processed: 13 Records Printed: 5 @CID: H Do you want to continue the list? (Y/N):  $\underline{Y}$  F1-help, F2-first page, F3-last page, F4-search, F7-exit

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#### Exit the report.

You are returned to the General Report Writer Options menu.

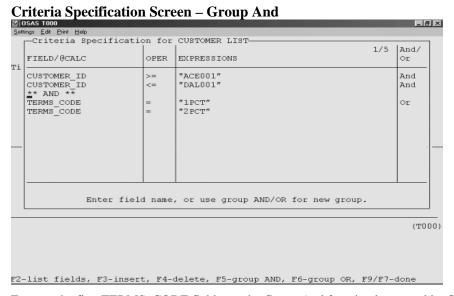
Select Prompt from the GENERAL Report Writer Options Menu.

We need to edit the criteria to produce the correct results on the report.

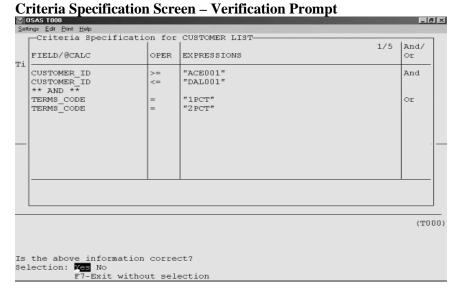
Select the AR\_CLASS1 report in the Report Name field and choose Criteria when the Verification prompt is displayed.

When the Criteria Specification screen verification prompt is displayed, select No

The criteria entered looks correct, but what this is actually saying is select customers between ACE001 and DAL001 and those customers must also have the terms code of 1PCT OR select any customer who has terms code of 2PCT.



Enter to the first TERMS\_CODE field, use the Group And function key, to add a Group And between the Customer ID and the Terms Code fields.



This criteria now says select customers between ACE001 and DAL001 but only if the customer has 1 percent terms or 2 percent terms.

Select the done function key to display the verification prompt.

Select Yes to save the changes and return to the Report Design screen.

To generate the report, select Run from the Report Design screen.

Select Run Report from the Execute Options box.

Select the Output device for the report.

Select VDT to print the report to the screen.

**Customer List Report** OSAS T000
Settings Edit Print Help
02/14/2000
09:29 AM CUSTOMER LIST Customer ID State Rep 1 Terms Code Descr DALLAS-FT WORTH DOME HOMES Donna M Mendelsohn 1/10,n/30 Customer ID: DAL\* SUM KY GPD 2PCT 2/10,n/30 ACE BUILDERS Garry P. Deacon Customer ID: ACE\* SUM \*Report\* SUM Do you want to continue the list? (Y/N): F1-help, F2-first page, F3-last page, F4-search, F7-exit

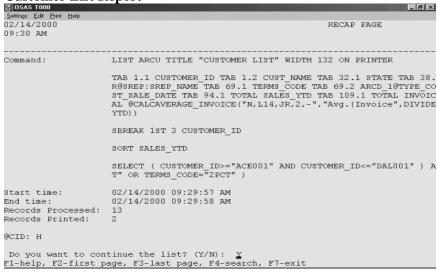
This time the report only prints the desired data.

**Customer List Report** OSAS T000 Settings Edit Print Help CUSTOMER LIST Page Last Date Sales Ytd Invs. Terms Code Avg. Descr 12/25/1999 367487.14 45935.89 ohn 1/10,n/30 367487.14 8 45935.89 12/21/1999 1665331.24 14 118952.23 2/10,n/30 2032818.38 22 164888.12 Do you want to continue the list? (Y/N): Y F1-help, F2-first page, F3-last page, F4-se

If you print to the screen, use the left and right arrows to shift between the left and right sides of the screen.

You can continue the list, go to the first page, go to the last page, search for a string or exit the report.

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#### Exit the report.

You are returned to the General Report Writer Options menu.

Select Prompt from the GENERAL Report Writer Options Menu.

# Run Time Replacement Criteria

These next examples will use run time replacements for the criteria. We will tell General Report Writer what fields we want to use in Criteria and have General Report Writer prompt you for the information to limit the data.

Report Design Screen - Criteria REPORT DESIGN Report Name: AR\_CLASS1 Title/Description: CUSTOMER LIST File: ARCU - Customer File Report/Export: Report Width: 132 Height: Any Length: Any Height: Any Across: 1 Output: PRINTER Alternate Sort: Begin with: End with: Line Break: Print Blanks: Yes Paginate: Yes Recap Page: Yes Print Detail: Yes Col Heading: Yes Stop: Test Patterns: Double Space: No Vertical Totals: No Tabulate/Plot: No Copies: 1 (T000) Is the above information correct? Selection: Yes No Fields Break Sort **Friteria** Linksel Hdr/ftr Run Delete Print F7-Exit without selection

Select the AR\_CLASS1 report in the Report Name field and choose Criteria when the Verification prompt is displayed.

When the Criteria Specification screen verification prompt is displayed, select No

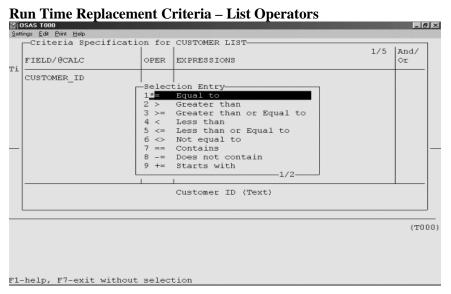
Use the delete function key to remove all the criteria fields.

# **Text Fields**

Selecting the fields and the operator for run time replacements is the same as setting up regular criteria. The Expression is where you setup the prompt information.

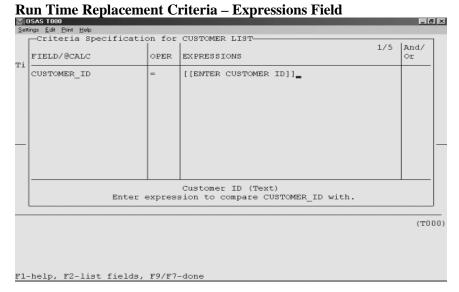
Run Time Replacement Criteria - List Fields- Customer ID Criteria Specification for CUSTOMER LIST And/ FIELD/@CALC OPER EXPRESSIONS Field Selection-FIELD NAME DESCRIPTION TYPE CODES Current Amount Due 2±CUSTOMER ID Customer ID T,JL,L6 3 CUSTOMER ID2 4 CUSTOMER ID FROM Customer ID Customer ID T,JL,L6 T,JL,L6 4 CUSTOMER\_ID\_FROMPT
6 CUSTOMER\_ID\_SHORT
7 CUSTOMER\_ID\_THRU
8 CUST\_CLASS T, JL, L6 T, JL, L3 Customer ID Customer ID Customer ID Customer Class T,JL,L6 T,JL,L6 9 CUST\_HIGH\_BAL Customer High Balance N, JR, L14, -5/14-(T000) F1-help, F2-list toggle, F7-exit

Use the list fields function and select the CUSTOMER\_ID field.



Use the list operators function to select the comparison operator for the field and the Expression.

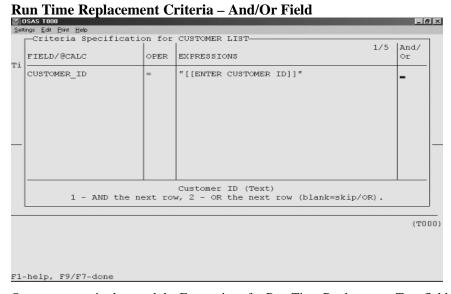
Select Equal to for this field.



The Expressions for Run Time Replacements always begin with two left square brackets ([[) and end with two right square brackets (]]). Between the sets of brackets, enter the prompt you want to appear on the screen.

Exp: [[Enter Expression you want to appear on the screen]]

# Enter [[ENTER CUSTOMER ID]]



Quotes are required around the Expressions for Run Time Replacement Text field criteria. General Report Writer should automatically place the quotes around the outside of the brackets. You can manually place the quotes around the brackets<sup>24</sup>.

Leave the And/Or field blank.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>24</sup> Quotes can also be used inside the brackets for Run Time Replacement criteria. See Appendix B for more information.



Select the done function key to display the verification prompt.

Select Yes to save the changes and return to the Report Design screen.

To generate the report, select Run from the Report Design screen.

Select Run Report from the Execute Options box.

The Run Time Replacement screen is displayed.

Run Time Replacements Screen

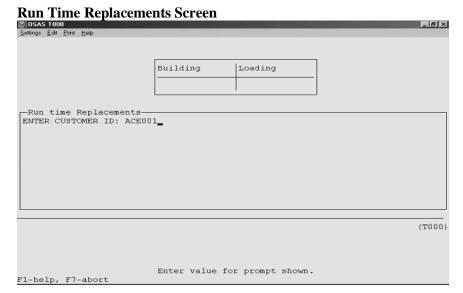
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ENTER CUSTOMER ID: 

Enter value for prompt shown.

The Expression entered between the brackets is displayed, prompting you to enter the information you want to use to limit the report.



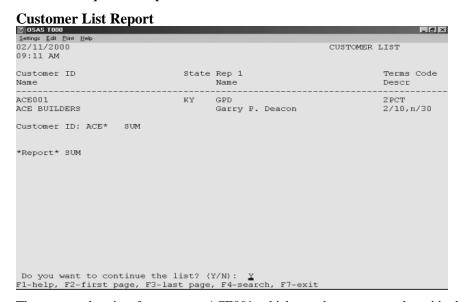
Enter the data you want to use to limit the report.

You **MUST** enter something in the Run Time Replacement prompt in order for General Report Writer to return information on the report. If you leave the fields blank, General Report Writer will look for blank data fields in the files used on the report.

### Enter ACE001 for this field.

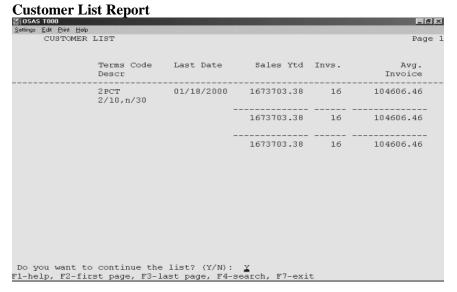
Once all the Run Time Replacement fields have been entered, select the Output device for the report.

Select VDT to print the report to the screen.



The report only prints for customer ACE001, which was the customer selected in the Run Time Replacement.

We still get a subtotal based on the first 3 characters of the Customer ID.



If you print to the screen, use the left and right arrows to shift between the left and right sides of the screen.

You can continue the list, go to the first page, go to the last page, search for a string or exit the report.

**Customer List Report** OSAS T000 Settings Edit Print Help 02/11/2000 RECAP PAGE 09:11 AM LIST ARCU TITLE "CUSTOMER LIST" WIDTH 132 ON PRINTER TAB 1.1 CUSTOMER\_ID TAB 1.2 CUST\_NAME TAB 32.1 STATE TAB 38.
R@SREP:SREP\_NAME TAB 69.1 TERMS\_CODE TAB 69.2 ARCD\_1@TYPE\_CO
ST\_SALE\_DATE TAB 94.1 TOTAL SALES\_YTD TAB 109.1 TOTAL INVOIC
AL @CALCAVERAGE\_INVOICE("N,L14,JR,2,-","Avg.|Invoice",DIVIDE SBREAK 1ST 3 CUSTOMER\_ID SORT SALES\_YTD SELECT CUSTOMER\_ID="[[ENTER CUSTOMER ID]]" Start time: 02/11/2000 09:11:44 AM 02/11/2000 09:11:44 AM End time: Records Printed: ENTER CUSTOMER ID: ACE001 Do you want to continue the list? (Y/N):  $\underline{Y}$ F1-help, F2-first page, F3-last page, F4-search, F7-exit

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# Exit the report.

You are returned to the General Report Writer Options menu.

Select Prompt from the GENERAL Report Writer Options Menu.

#### **Numeric Fields**

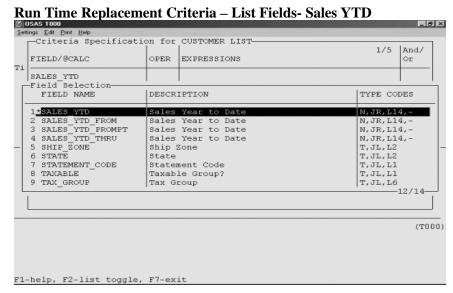
Next, we will enter Run Time Replacement Criteria for a numeric field.

Selecting the fields and the operator for numeric run time replacements is the same as text run time replacement criteria. The Expression for the numeric field is a little different.

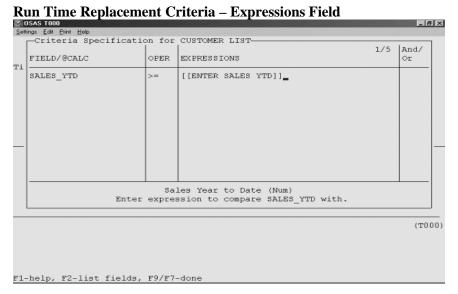
Select the AR\_CLASS1 report in the Report Name field and choose Criteria when the Verification prompt is displayed.

When the Criteria Specification screen verification prompt is displayed, select No

Use the delete function key to remove all the criteria fields.



Use the list fields function and select the SALES\_YTD field.



Use the list operators function to select the comparison operator for the field and the Expression.

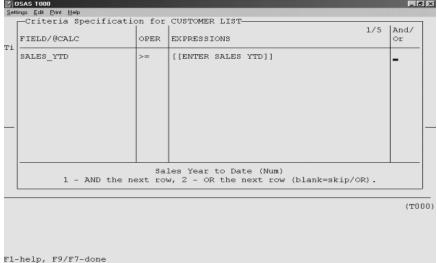
Select greater than or equal to (>=) for the operator.

The Expressions for Run Time Replacements always begin with two left square brackets ([[] and end with two right square brackets (]]). Between the sets of brackets, enter the prompt you want to appear on the screen.

Exp: [[Enter Expression you want to appear on the screen]]

Enter [[ENTER SALES YTD]]

Run Time Replacement Criteria - And/Or Field

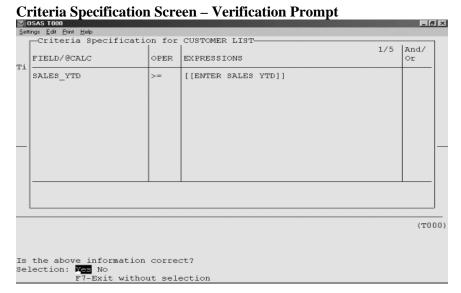


Quotes are NOT required around the Expressions for Numeric Run Time Replacement criteria. General Report Writer will not automatically place the quotes around the outside of the brackets<sup>25</sup>.

Run Time Replacement Criteria – And/Or Field -Criteria Specification for CUSTOMER LIST-FIELD/@CALC OPER EXPRESSIONS or SALES\_YTD >= [[ENTER SALES YTD]] Sales Year to Date (Num) 1 - AND the next row, 2 - OR the next row (blank=skip/OR). (T000) F1-help, F9/F7-done

Leave the And/Or field blank.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>25</sup> Quotes can also be used inside the brackets for Run Time Replacement criteria. See Appendix B for more information.



Select the done function key to display the verification prompt.

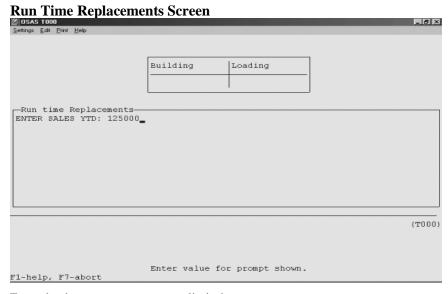
## Select Yes to save the changes and return to the Report Design screen.

To generate the report, select Run from the Report Design screen.

## Select Run Report from the Execute Options box.

The Run Time Replacement screen is displayed.

The Expression entered between the brackets is displayed, prompting you to enter the information you want to use to limit the report.



Enter the data you want to use to limit the report.

You **MUST** enter something in the Run Time Replacement prompt in order for General Report Writer to return information on the report. If you leave the fields blank, General Report Writer will look for blank data fields in the files used on the report.

# Enter 125000 for this field.

Once all the Run Time Replacement fields have been entered, select the Output device for the report.

Select VDT to print the report to the screen.

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| © OSAS 1000<br>Settings: Edit Print Help<br>02/11/2000<br>09:14 AM |       |                           | CUSTOMER 1 | <b>_[5]×</b><br>LIST |
|--|-------|---------------------------|------------|----------------------|
| Customer ID<br>Name  | State | Rep 1<br>Name             |            | Terms Code<br>Descr  |
| CASHMN<br>CASH SALES-MINNEAPOLIS                                   |       |                           |            | COD<br>C.O.D.        |
| Customer ID: CAS* SUM  |       |                           |            |                      |
| LOS001<br>LOS ANGELES CONSTRUCTION CO.                             | CA    | GPD<br>Garry P. Deacon    |            | 2PCT<br>2/10,n/30    |
| Customer ID: LOS* SUM  |       |                           |            |                      |
| GRE001<br>GREATER NEW YORK DOMES, INC.                             | NY    |                           |            | COD<br>C.O.D.        |
| Customer ID: GRE* SUM  |       |                           |            |                      |
| DALLOS-FT WORTH DOME HOMES   | TX    | DMM<br>Donna M Mendelsohn |            | 1PCT<br>1/10,n/30    |
| Customer ID: DAL* SUM  |       |                           |            |                      |
| Do you want to continue the 1 F1-help, F2-first page, F3-las       |       |                           |            |                      |

The report only prints for customers who have Sales YTD greater than 125000, which is what was selected in the Run Time Replacement prompt.

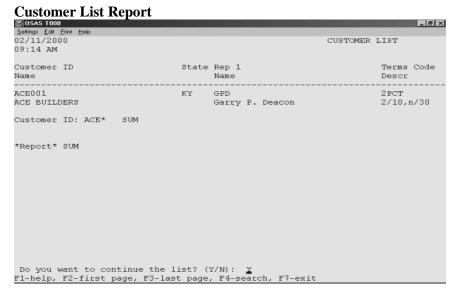
We still get a subtotal based on the first 3characters of the Customer ID and the report is still sorted by the Sales YTD field.

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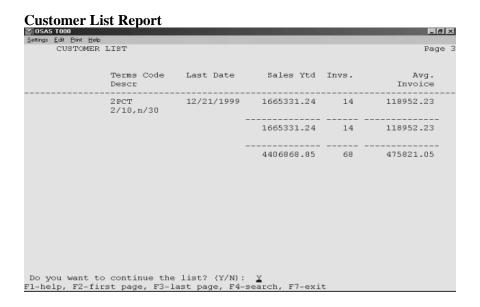
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| Invs. | Avg.<br>Invoice |
| 5     | 27639.32        |
| 5     | 27639.32        |
| 6     | 41198.61        |
| 6     | 41198.61        |
| 8     | 39445.42        |
| 8     | 39445.42        |
| 8     | 45935.89        |
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You can continue the list, go to the first page, go to the last page, search for a string or exit the report.



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**Customer List Report – Recap Page** Settings Edit Print Help RECAP PAGE 09:14 AM LIST ARCU TITLE "CUSTOMER LIST" WIDTH 132 ON PRINTER TAB 1.1 CUSTOMER\_ID TAB 1.2 CUST\_NAME TAB 32.1 STATE TAB 38.

R@SREP:SREP\_NAME TAB 69.1 TERMS\_CODE TAB 69.2 ARCD\_1@TYPE\_CO

ST\_SALE\_DATE TAB 94.1 TOTAL SALES\_YTD TAB 109.1 TOTAL INVOIC

AL @CALCAVERAGE\_INVOICE("N,L14,JR,2,-","Avg.|Invoice",DIVIDE SBREAK 1ST 3 CUSTOMER\_ID SORT SALES\_YTD SELECT SALES\_YTD>=[[ENTER SALES YTD]] Start time: 02/11/2000 09:14:33 AM End time: 02/11/2000 09:14:39 AM Records Printed: ENTER SALES YTD: 125000 Do you want to continue the list? (Y/N): F1-help, F2-first page, F3-last page, F4-search, F7-exit

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## Exit the report.

You are returned to the General Report Writer Options menu.

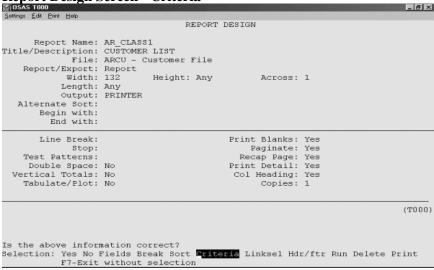
Select Prompt from the GENERAL Report Writer Options Menu.

### **Date Fields**

Next, we will enter Run Time Replacement Criteria for a date field.

Date fields are stored as Julian numbers in OSAS. If you want to use regular dates in your run time replacements you have 2 options in setting up the Expression.

Report Design Screen - Criteria

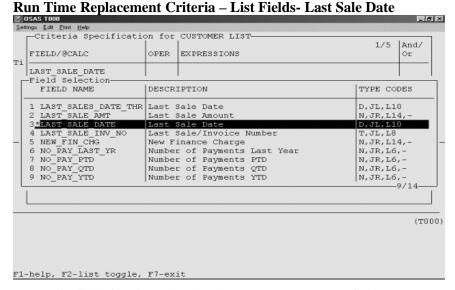


Select the AR\_CLASS1 report in the Report Name field and choose Criteria when the Verification prompt is displayed.

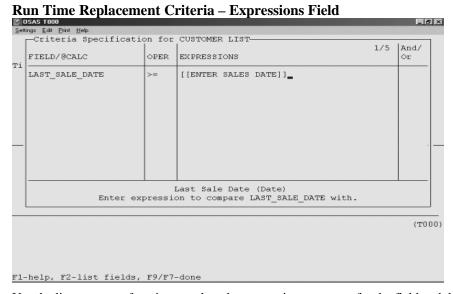
When the Criteria Specification screen verification prompt is displayed, select No.

Use the delete function key to remove all the criteria fields.

Selecting the fields and the operator for date run time replacements is the same as text or numeric run time replacement criteria. The Expression for the date field can be entered in 2 ways.



Use the list fields function and select the LAST\_SALE\_DATE field.



Use the list operators function to select the comparison operator for the field and the Expression.

#### Select greater than or equal to (>=) for the operator.

The Expressions for Run Time Replacements always begin with two left square brackets ([[) and end with two right square brackets (]]). Between the sets of brackets, enter the prompt you want to appear on the screen.

Exp: [[Enter Expression you want to appear on the screen]]

Enter [[ENTER LAST SALES DATE]]

F1-help, F9/F7-done

Quotes are not automatically placed around the Expression for Date fields.

Leave the And/Or field blank.

F1-help, F9/F7-done



Select the done function key to display the verification prompt.

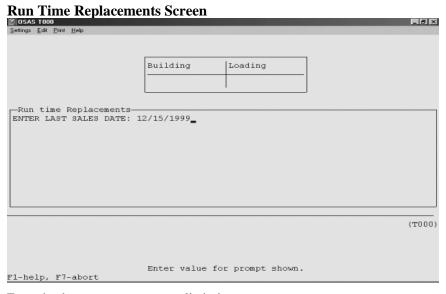
## Select Yes to save the changes and return to the Report Design screen.

To generate the report, select Run from the Report Design screen.

## Select Run Report from the Execute Options box.

The Run Time Replacement screen is displayed.

The Expression entered between the brackets is displayed, prompting you to enter the information you want to use to limit the report.



Enter the data you want to use to limit the report.

You **MUST** enter something in the Run Time Replacement prompt in order for General Report Writer to return information on the report. If you leave the fields blank, General Report Writer will look for blank data fields in the files used on the report.

# Enter 12/15/1999 for this field.

Once all the Run Time Replacement fields have been entered, Select the Output device for the report.



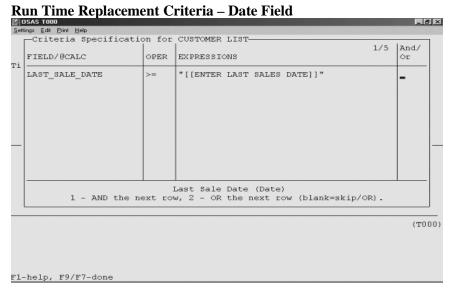
You get this message because General Report Writer is looking for the literal value entered in the runtime replacement, but the OSAS dates are stored as Julian numbers.

You are returned to the General Report Writer Options menu.

Select Prompt from the GENERAL Report Writer Options Menu.

We will edit the Expression for the Date Run Time Criteria and add quotes around the brackets.

Select the AR\_CLASS1 report in the Report Name field and choose Criteria when the Verification prompt is displayed.



Edit the Expression and add quotes around the brackets. You must always manually add the quotes for Date fields<sup>26</sup>.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>26</sup> If you are on version 5.1x or 5.2x of General Report Writer you must setup the field with quotes on the inside of the brackets and specify D for the field type.



Select the done function key to display the verification prompt.

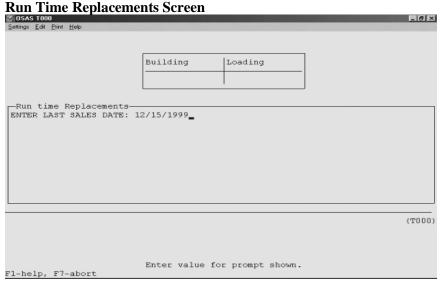
Select Yes to save the changes and return to the Report Design screen.

To generate the report, select Run from the Report Design screen.

Select Run Report from the Execute Options box.

The Run Time Replacement screen is displayed.

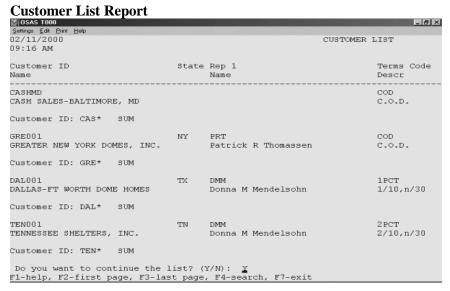
The Expression entered between the brackets is displayed, prompting you to enter the information you want to use to limit the report.



Enter 12/15/1999 again.

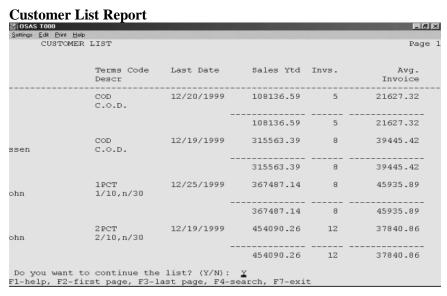
Select the Output device for the report.

Select VDT to print the report to the screen.



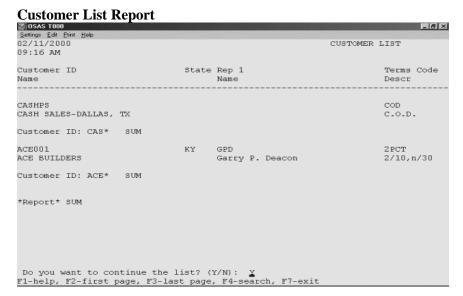
With the quotes around the date expression, only the customers with a Last Sale Data greater than or equal to 12/15/1999, which was the date selected in the Run Time Replacement, print on the report.

We still get a subtotal based on the first 3characters of the Customer ID and the report is still sorted by the Sales YTD field.

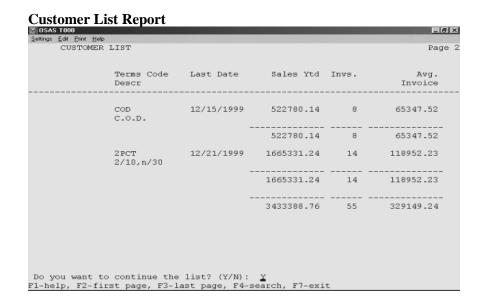


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The last page of the report.



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### Exit the report.

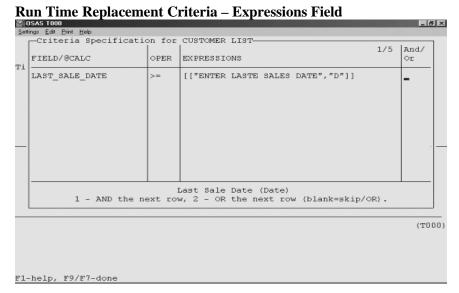
You are returned to the General Report Writer Options menu.

Select Prompt from the GENERAL Report Writer Options Menu.

The other option for Date Run Time Replacement criteria is to use the quotes inside the brackets.

Select the AR\_CLASS1 report in the Report Name field and choose Criteria when the Verification prompt is displayed.

When the Criteria Specification screen verification prompt is displayed, select No.

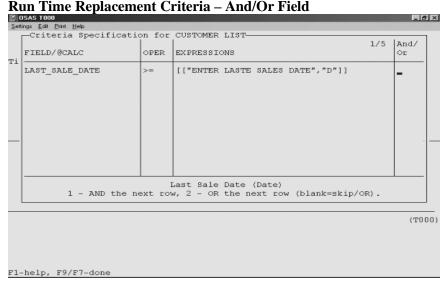


Edit the Expressions field.

If the quotes are placed inside the brackets, you must tell General Report Writer what type of field you are using in criteria. This is done by placing a comma after the phrase and a quote and a capital  $\mathbf{D}^{27}$  within quotes, before the ending brackets are entered.

Exp: [["ENTER DATE","D"]]

Enter [["ENTER LAST SALES DATE","D"]]<sup>28</sup>



Leave the And/Or field blank.

 $<sup>^{27}</sup>$  If you are using a text field, enter a capital **T** within quotes. If you are using a numeric field, enter a capital **N** within quotes.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>28</sup> If you are on version 5.1x or 5.2x of General Report Writer, you must enter run time replacements for date fields this way.

Select the done function key to display the verification prompt.

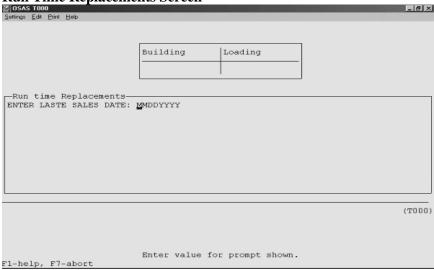
Select Yes to save the changes and return to the Report Design screen.

To generate the report, select Run from the Report Design screen.

Select Run Report from the Execute Options box.

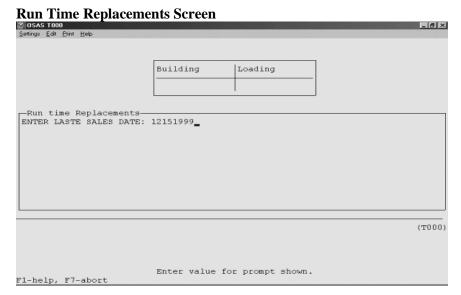
The Run Time Replacement screen is displayed.

**Run Time Replacements Screen** 



The Expression prompts you for the information in a Date format<sup>29</sup>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>29</sup> Based on the Display Format settings on the Config menu.



You can enter the date in regular date format such as MM/DD/YYYY or you can leave the slashes (/) off and General Report Writer will convert the date correctly, such as MMDDYYYY

You **MUST** enter something in the Run Time Replacement prompt in order for General Report Writer to return information on the report. If you leave the fields blank, General Report Writer will look for blank data fields in the files used on the report.

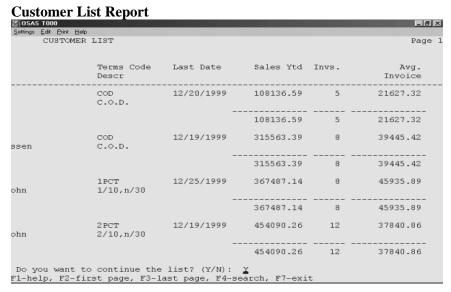
### Enter 12151999 for this field.

Once all the Run Time Replacement fields have been entered, select the Output device for the report.

Select VDT to print the report to the screen.

**Customer List Report** OSAS T000
Settings Edit Print Help
02/11/2000 \_ 8 × CUSTOMER LIST State Rep 1 Name Name Descr COD CASH SALES-BALTIMORE, MD C.O.D. Customer ID: CAS\* SUM GREATER NEW YORK DOMES, INC. Patrick R Thomassen C.O.D. Customer ID: GRE\* SUM DMM DALLAS-FT WORTH DOME HOMES Donna M Mendelsohn 1/10,n/30 Customer ID: DAL\* SUM 2PCT 2/10,n/30 TENNESSEE SHELTERS, INC. Donna M Mendelsohn Customer ID: TEN\* SUM Do you want to continue the list? (Y/N): XF1-help, F2-first page, F3-last page, F4-search, F7-exit

We get the same report as the one with the quote on the outside of the brackets.

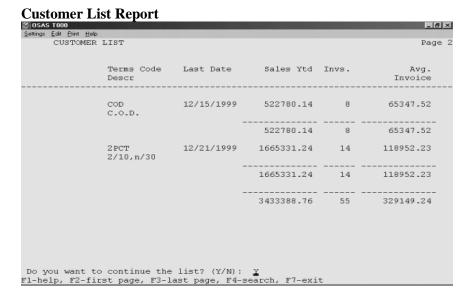


If you print to the screen, use the left and right arrows to shift between the left and right sides of the screen.

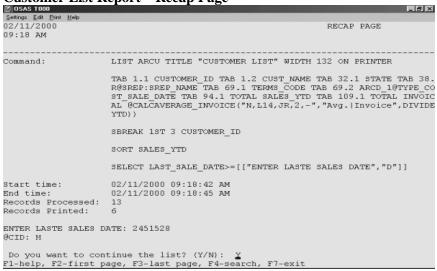
You can continue the list, go to the first page, go to the last page, search for a string or exit the report.

**Customer List Report** OSAS T000 Settings Edit Print Help 02/11/2000 CUSTOMER LIST 09:16 AM Customer ID State Rep 1 Terms Code CASHPS COD CASH SALES-DALLAS, TX C.O.D. Customer ID: CAS\* SUM GPD 2PCT 2/10,n/30 ACE BUILDERS Garry P. Deacon Customer ID: ACE\* SUM \*Report\* SUM Do you want to continue the list? (Y/N):  $\underline{X}$  F1-help, F2-first page, F3-last page, F4-search, F7-exit

The last page of the report.



Customer List Report – Recap Page



The Recap Page

### Exit the report.

You are returned to the General Report Writer Options menu.

Select Prompt from the GENERAL Report Writer Options Menu.

# From/Thru Run Time Criteria

The next examples demonstrate how to setup Run Time Replacement From/Thru Criteria.

Select the AR\_CLASS1 report in the Report Name field and choose Criteria when the Verification prompt is displayed.

When the Criteria Specification screen verification prompt is displayed, select No.

Use the delete function key to remove the LAST\_SALE\_DATE criteria field.

Use the list fields function and select the CUSTOMER\_ID field.

For the From operator use greater than (>) OR greater than or equal to (>=). You can use the list operators function to select the comparison operator for the field and the expression.

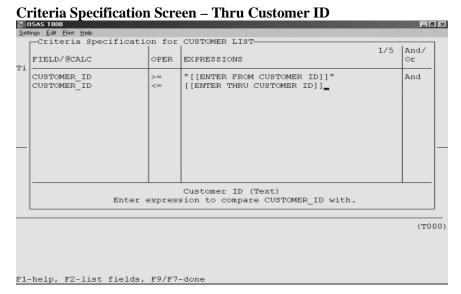
### Select greater than or equal to (>=) for the operator.

Enter the Expressions you want to compare with the field.

# Enter [[ENTER FROM CUSTOMER ID]] in the Expressions field.

General Report Writer will automatically place the quotes around the expression.

Select And in the And/Or field.



Enter to a blank Field/@Calc, use the list fields function, and select the CUSTOMER\_ID field again.

For the Thru operator use less than (<) OR less than or equal to (<=). You can use the list operators function to select the comparison operator for the field and the expression.

# Select less than or equal to (<=) for the operator.

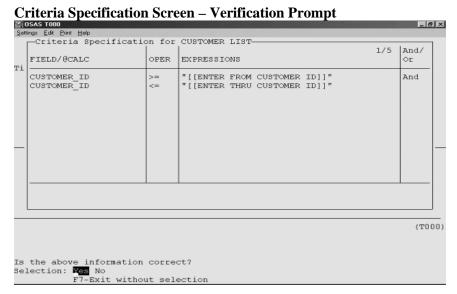
Enter the Expressions you want to compare with the field.

### Enter [[ENTER THRU CUSTOMER ID]] in the Expressions field.

General Report Writer will automatically place the quotes around the expression.

# Leave the And/Or field blank.

**Note:** When using the same field in criteria multiple times, the Expression must be worded differently on each line or General Report Writer will ignore the remaining lines for that field.



Once all the criteria have been entered, select the done function key to display the verification prompt.

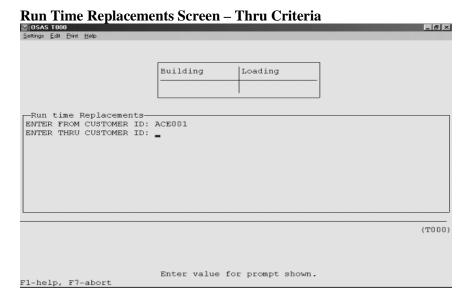
Select Yes to save the changes and return to the Report Design screen.

To generate the report, select Run from the Report Design screen.

Select Run Report from the Execute Options box.

The Run Time Replacement screen is displayed.

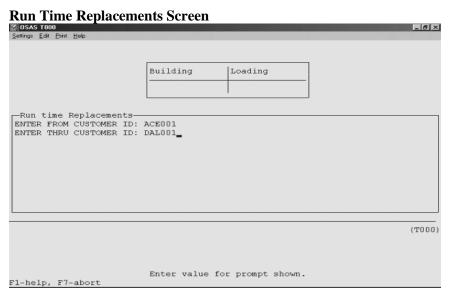
The From Expression prompts you for the information you want to use to begin the report.



Enter the From Criteria

# Enter ACE001 for this field

The Thru Expression prompts you for the information you want to use to end the report.



Enter the Thru Criteria

### Enter DAL001 for this field

You **MUST** enter something in all the Run Time Replacement prompts in order for General Report Writer to return information on the report. If you leave the fields blank, General Report Writer will look for blank data fields in the files used on the report.

Once all the Run Time Replacement fields have been entered, select the Output device for the report. Select the Output device for the report.

Select VDT to print the report to the screen.

**Customer List Report** OSAS T000 Settings Edit Print Help 02/11/2000 CUSTOMER LIST 09:21 AM Customer ID State Rep 1 Terms Code CASHTX CASH SALES-DALLAS, TX C.O.D. CASHCA CASH SALES-OAKLAND, CA C.O.D. CASHMD CASH SALES-BALTIMORE, MD C.O.D. CASH SALES-MINNEAPOLIS C.O.D. Customer ID: CAS\* SUM DAL001 DMM 1PCT 1/10,n/30 DALLAS-FT WORTH DOME HOMES Donna M Mendelsohn Customer ID: DAL\* SUM Do you want to continue the list? (Y/N):  $\underline{X}$  F1-help, F2-first page, F3-last page, F4-search, F7-exit

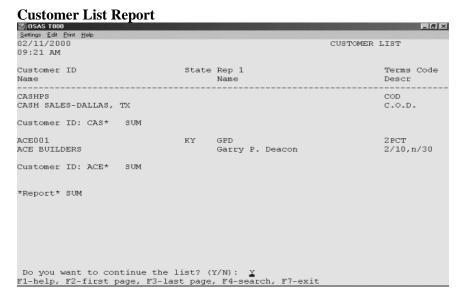
Now the report only prints for customers with in the range of our criteria information.

We still get a subtotal based on the first 3characters of the Customer ID and the report is still sorted by the Sales YTD field.

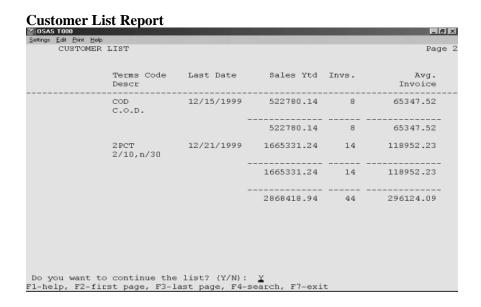
**Customer List Report** OSAS T000 Settings Edit Print Help | - | - | × | CUSTOMER LIST Page Descr Invoice .00 COD 0.00 0 COD 12/06/1999 66487.23 4 16621.81 C.O.D. 12/20/1999 108136.59 5 21627.32 COD C.O.D. 12/01/1999 138196.60 5 27639.32 C.O.D. 312820.42 14 65888.45 12/25/1999 367487.14 8 45935.89 1/10,n/30 ohn 367487.14 45935.89 Do you want to continue the list? (Y/N): Y F1-help, F2-first page, F3-last page, F4-search, F7-exit

If you print to the screen, use the left and right arrows to shift between the left and right sides of the screen.

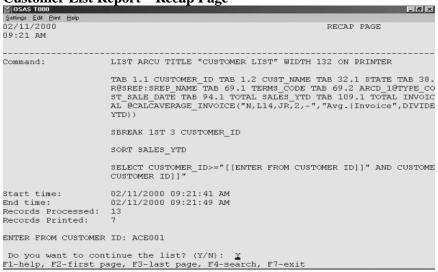
You can continue the list, go to the first page, go to the last page, search for a string or exit the report.



The last page of the report.



**Customer List Report – Recap Page** 

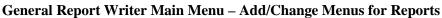


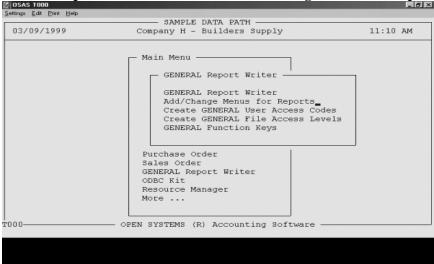
The Recap Page

Exit the report

# **Add/Change Menus for Reports**

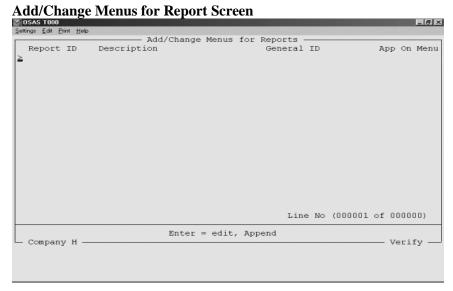
# **Adding a Report**





To add a report to an application menu perform the following:

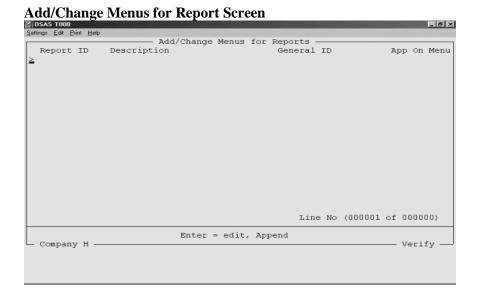
1. Select Add/Change Menus for Report from the General Report Writer main menu.



The Add/Change Menus for Reports screen is displayed.

Any reports already added to a menu are listed.

| <u>Field</u> | <u>Description</u>   |
|--------------|--|
| Report ID    | The name used by OSAS to recognize the report on the menu.                                       |
| Description  | The name of the report on the OSAS menu.   |
| General ID   | The General Report Writer Report Name of the report added to the menu.                           |
| App          | The application ID where the report is displayed on the menu.                                    |
| On Menu      | Yes if the report is displaying on the menu.  No if the report is not displaying on the menu.    |
| Line No      | The line the cursor is currently on, and the total number of reports added to application menus. |

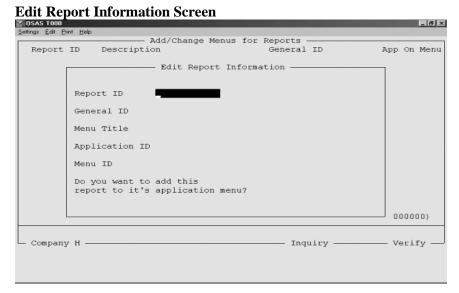


# **Command Option**

Enter Edit any reports that have already been added to application menus.

Append Adds reports to application menus

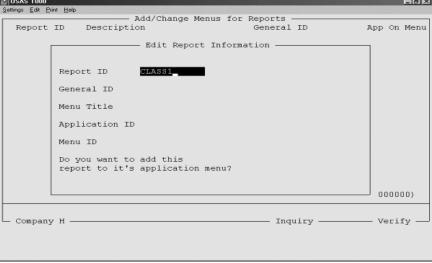
2. Select Append to add a report to an application menu.



The Edit Report Information screen is displayed.

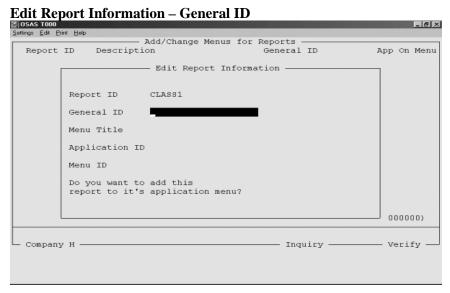
| <u>Field</u>                   | <u>Description</u>  |
|--------------------------------|---|
| Report ID                      | Enter the name OSAS will use to recognize and store the report in the Open Systems files. |
|                                | The Report ID can be 1-12 characters long.  |
|                                | This name does not have to be the same as the report name in General Report Writer.       |
| General ID                     | Enter the General Report Writer Report Name.  |
|                                | You can use the Inquiry command, <b>F2</b> or <b>Esc W</b> , to select the report.        |
| Menu Title                     | Enter the name you want to appear on the application menu.                                |
|                                | The Menu Title can be 1-40 characters long.   |
| Application ID                 | Select the application to add the report to its menu.                                     |
|                                | You can use the Inquiry command, <b>F2</b> or <b>Esc W</b> , to select the application.   |
|                                | Select an application that has the Installed field flag set to Yes.                       |
| Menu ID                        | Select the menu in the application where you want to add the report                       |
|                                | You can use the Inquiry command, <b>F2</b> or <b>Esc W</b> , to select the menu.          |
| Do you want to add this report | Select Yes to add the report to the selected menu.  |
| to its application menu?       | Select No if you do not want to add the report to the menu.                               |

Use the Proceed command, PgDn or Esc P, to save the changes.



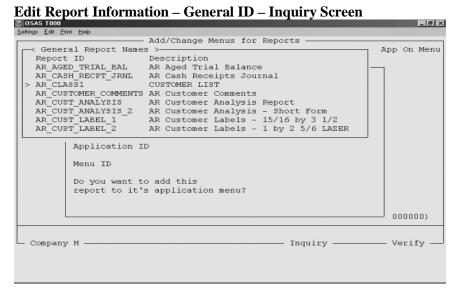
3. Enter the Report  $ID^{30}$ .

Enter CLASS1 for this field.



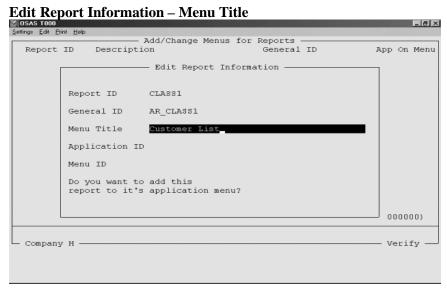
4. Select the General Report Writer report you want to add to the menu.

 $<sup>^{30}</sup>$  The Report ID can be 1-12 characters long and does not have to be the name of the report in General Report Writer.



You can use the Inquiry command, F2 or Esc W, to select the report.

Select the AR\_CLASS1 report.



5. Enter the name you want to appear on the menu<sup>31</sup>.

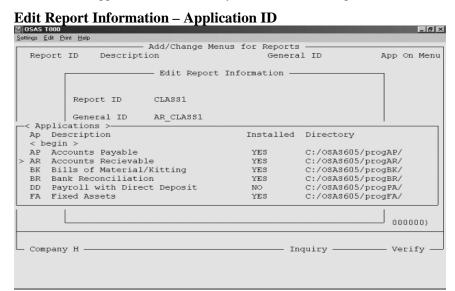
Enter Customer List for this report.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>31</sup> The Menu Title can be 1-40 characters long.

**Edit Report Information – Application ID** OSAS TOOO Settings Edit Print Help Add/Change Menus for Reports Report ID Description App On Menu ---- Edit Report Information -Report ID CLASS1 General ID AR\_CLASS1 Menu Title Customer List Application ID Do you want to add this report to it's application menu? 0000000 - Verify -└ Company H -- Inquiry -

6. Select the application whose menu you want to add the report.



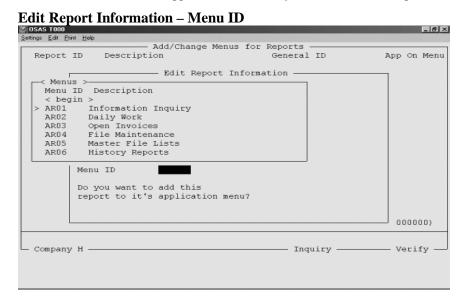
You can use the Inquiry command, F2 or Esc W, to select the application.

**NOTE:** Select an application that has the Installed field flag set to Yes.

For this report, if you only have Accounts Receivable select AR if you have Accounts Receivable and Sales Order select SO.

**Edit Report Information – Menu ID** \_ 8 × Add/Change Menus for Reports Report ID App On Menu Description — Edit Report Information -Report ID CLASS1 General ID AR\_CLASS1 Menu Title Customer List Application ID AR Menu ID Do you want to add this report to it's application menu? 000000) L Company H -- Inquiry -Verify -

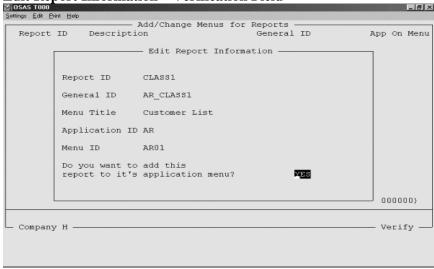
7. Select the menu, in the application, on which you want to add the report.



You can use the Inquiry command, F2 or Esc W, to select the menu.

For this report, select the Information Inquiry Menu.

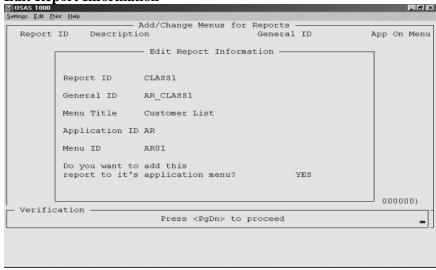
**Edit Report Information – Verification Field** 



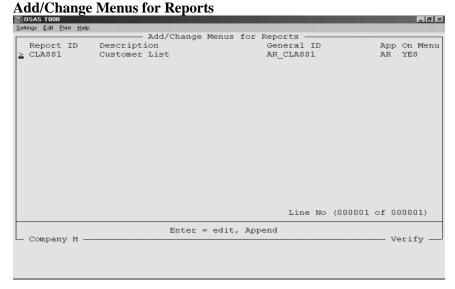
8. Select Yes to add the report to the menu, or No if you do not wish to add the report to an application menu.

Select Yes for this report.





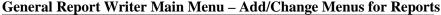
Use the Proceed command, **PgDn** or **Esc P**, to save the changes.

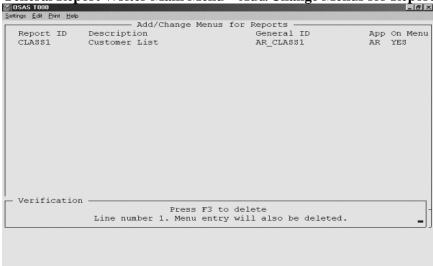


The report is added to the Add/Change Menus for Reports screen.

You can now run this report from the application menu it was added to, without having to go into General Report Writer to select and run the report.

# **Deleting a Report**





To delete a report to an application menu perform the following:

- 1. Place the cursor next to the report you want to remove from the menu.
- 2. Use the Delete function, **F3** or **Esc D**, to remove the report.
- 3. You are prompted to confirm removing the report by using the Delete function again

| <b>Inventory - Quantities Report</b> |  |  |  |
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**Quantities Report** 

| 12:06 PM        | Qu                      | antities Report |                                      |         | Page 1         |
|-----------------|-------------------------|-----------------|--------------------------------------|---------|----------------|
| Item ID         | Description             |                 |                                      |         | Last Pur. Date |
|                 | Electrical Package      | CA0001          | 7.0000<br>.0000<br>18.0000<br>6.0000 | .0000   | 12/21/1999     |
|                 |                         | MD0001          | .0000                                | 5.0000  |                |
|                 |                         | MN0001          | 18.0000                              | 6.0000  | 12/21/1999     |
|                 |                         | TX0001          | 6.0000                               | .0000   | _              |
| Item ID: 100    | SUM                     |                 | 31.0000                              | 11.0000 |                |
| 150             | Plumbing Package        | CA0001          | .0000<br>.0000<br>15.0000<br>7.0000  | .0000   |                |
|                 |                         | MD0001          | .0000                                | 3.0000  |                |
|                 |                         | MN0001          | 15.0000                              | 2.0000  | 12/21/1999     |
|                 |                         | TX0001          | 7.0000                               |         |                |
| Item ID: 150    | SUM                     |                 | 22.0000                              |         |                |
| 200             | Heating/Cooling Package | CA0001          | .0000                                | .0000   |                |
|                 | 3. 3                    | MD0001          | .0000                                |         |                |
|                 |                         | MN0001          |                                      |         | 10/04/1999     |
|                 |                         | TX0001          | .0000                                | .0000   |                |
| Item ID: 200    | SUM                     |                 | .0000                                | .0000   |                |
| 200100          | Furnace                 | CA0001          | .0000                                | .0000   |                |
|                 |                         | MD0001          | .0000                                |         |                |
|                 |                         | MN0001          | 8.0000                               | .0000   | 12/09/1999     |
|                 |                         | TX0001          |                                      | .0000   | , ,            |
| Item ID: 200100 | SUM                     |                 | 11.0000                              |         |                |
| 200200          | Water Heater            | CA0001          | .0000                                | .0000   |                |
|                 |                         | MD0001          | .0000                                | .0000   |                |
|                 |                         | MN0001          | 8.0000                               | .0000   | 12/09/1999     |
|                 |                         | TX0001          | 3.0000                               | .0000   |                |
| Item ID: 200200 | SUM                     |                 | 11.0000                              |         |                |
| 200300          | Air Conditioner         | CA0001          |                                      | .0000   |                |
|                 |                         | MD0001          |                                      |         |                |
|                 |                         | MN0001          |                                      |         | 12/09/1999     |
|                 |                         | TX0001          | 3.0000                               | .0000   |                |
| Item ID: 200300 | SUM                     |                 | 11.0000                              |         |                |
| 200400          | Water Softener          | CA0001          |                                      |         |                |
|                 |                         | MD0001          |                                      | .0000   |                |
|                 |                         | MN0001          | 8.0000                               | .0000   | 12/09/1999     |
|                 |                         | TX0001          | 3.0000                               | .0000   | _              |
| Item ID: 200400 | SUM                     |                 | 11.0000                              |         |                |
| 200500          | Sump Pump               | CA0001          |                                      | .0000   |                |
|                 |                         | MD0001          | .0000                                |         |                |
|                 |                         | MN0001          | 8.0000                               | .0000   | 12/09/1999     |
|                 |                         | TX0001          | 3.0000                               | .0000   |                |
|                 | SUM                     |                 | 11.0000                              |         |                |

Here is an example of the report we will create.

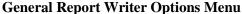
# **Planning the Report**

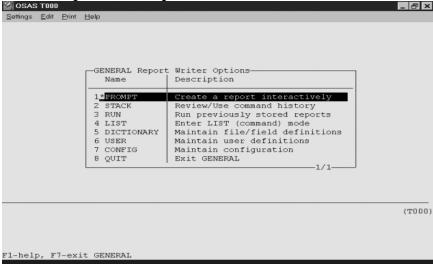
This report will be a quantities report.

The fields for this report are Item ID, Description, Location ID, On Hand Quantity, On Order Quantity and Last Purchase Date.

We will add breaks, sorts and criteria fields to format and limit the information on the report.

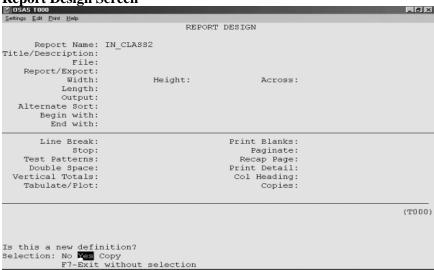
# **Creating the Report**





Select Prompt from the General Report Writer Options menu.

**Report Design Screen** 



Enter the Report Name<sup>32</sup>.

# Enter IN\_CLASS2 for this field.

When General Report Writer prompts, "Is this a new definition?", select Yes.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>32</sup> The Report Name can be 1-20 characters long and cannot contain spaces or symbols. Letters, numbers periods, and underscores are allowed in the field. This is not the name that prints on the report, but the name used to store the report in the system.

Report Design Screen REPORT DESIGN Report Name: IN\_CLASS2 Report Name: IN\_LIMBS2
Title/Description: Quantities Report
 File: INVE - IN Items
 Report/Export: Report
 Width: 132 Height: #
 Length: Any Height: Any Output: Alternate Sort: Begin with: End with: Line Break: Print Blanks: Yes Stop: Test Patterns: Paginate: Recap Page: Yes Double Space: No Vertical Totals: No Tabulate/Plot: No Col Heading: Yes Copies: 1 (T000) Enter records per line (often used for labels). F1-help, F8-jump, F9/F7-done

Enter the Title/Description for the report<sup>33</sup>.

## Enter Quantities Report for this field.

Select the central file for the report. You can use the list files key to select the file

# Select the INVE file for this field.

Select how you want to print or export the report<sup>34</sup>.

#### Select 1 for Report.

Enter the Width<sup>35</sup>, Height<sup>36</sup>, Across<sup>37</sup> and Length<sup>38</sup> information for the report.

Accept the defaults for each of these fields.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>33</sup> The Title/Description can be 1-40 characters long. This title prints on the heading of the report.

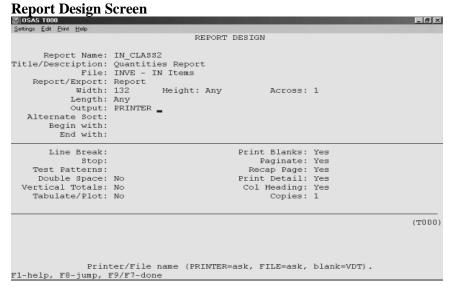
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>34</sup> Select 1 for Report, 2 for a comma delimited export, 3 for a fixed width export, 4 for a Data Interchange Format export, or 5 for a WordPerfect merge format.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>35</sup> Width is the number of columns across the page. The default is 132.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>36</sup> Height is the number of rows each record can occupy on the report. The default is Any which will use the number of rows necessary for each record.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>37</sup> Across is the number of records across the page. The default is 1.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>38</sup> Length is the number of lines per page. The default is 66, leaving 6 lines blank for top and bottom margins.



Select Output device for the report.<sup>39</sup>

#### Select Printer for this field.

Accept the defaults for the remaining fields.

**Report Design Screen** OSAS T000 Settings Edit Print Help REPORT DESIGN Report Name: IN\_CLASS2 Title/Description: Quantities Report File: INVE - IN Items Report/Export: Report Width: 132 Length: Any Height: Any Across: 1 Output: PRINTER Alternate Sort: Begin with: End with: Print Blanks: Yes Line Break: Stop: Test Patterns: Paginate: Yes Recap Page: Yes Double Space: No Vertical Totals: No Print Detail: Yes Col Heading: Yes Tabulate/Plot: No Copies: 1 (T000) Is the above information correct? Selection: Yes No <mark>Pields</mark> Break Sort Criteria Linksel Hdr/ftr Run Delete Print F7-Exit without selection

Select the done function key to display the verification prompt.

Select Fields.

<sup>39</sup> There are three options for the Output field, Printer, File or VDT.

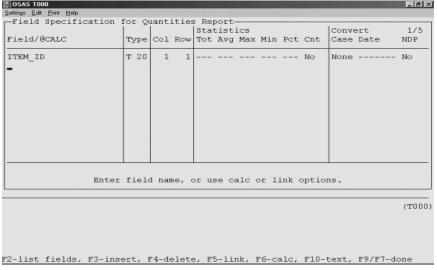
- Printer, which is the default, will prompt for any printers setup in OSAS as long as the Width of the report does not exceed the compressed columns of the printer, you can also print to a file or to the screen.
- File will prompt for the output path and file name.
- VDT will print to the screen.

# **Fields**

The Fields Screen is displayed.

Select the fields for the report.

Fields Screen

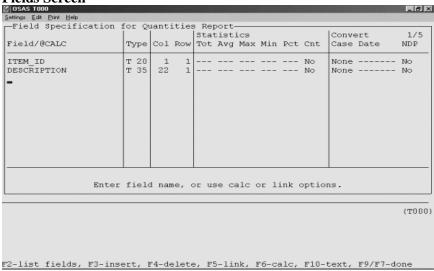


The first field for this report is the ITEM ID.

You can use the list fields function key to select the field.

Accept all the defaults for the Col/Row, Statistics, and Convert columns.

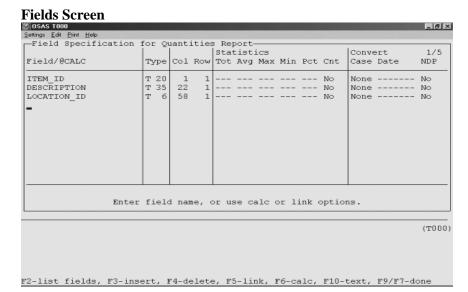
**Fields Screen** 



The next field is the Description field.

You can use the list fields function key to select the field.

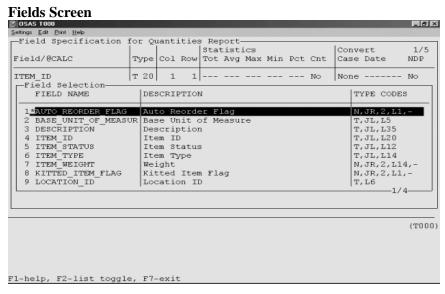
Accept all the defaults for the Col/Row, Statistics, and Convert columns.



The next field is the Location ID field.

You can use the list fields function key to select the field.

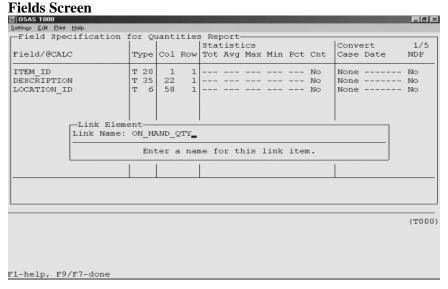
Accept all the defaults for the Col/Row, Statistics, and Convert columns.



The next field is the On Hand Quantity.

Use the list fields function and you will see that the On Hand Quantity is not a field in the INVE file.

We need to create a link to get this field.

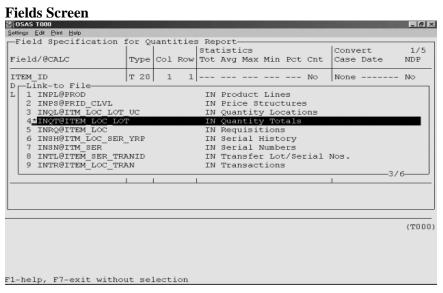


Select the Link function key to create a link field.

The Link Element box is displayed

Enter the Link Name.

Enter ON\_HAND\_QTY for this field.



The Link-to-File box is displayed.

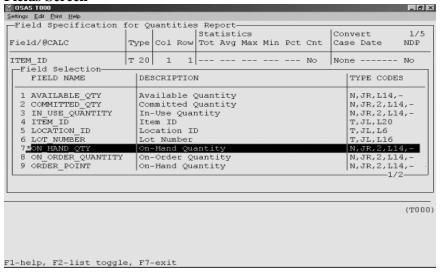
Select the file that contains the field you want for the link<sup>40</sup>.

Select the INQT@ITEM\_LOC\_LOT for this report.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>40</sup> You need to know the file that contains the field you want to link to before creating the link field. Use the File Descriptions Books or the General Report Writer Data Dictionaries to find the correct file.

After the link to file is selected, the Field Selection box is displayed,

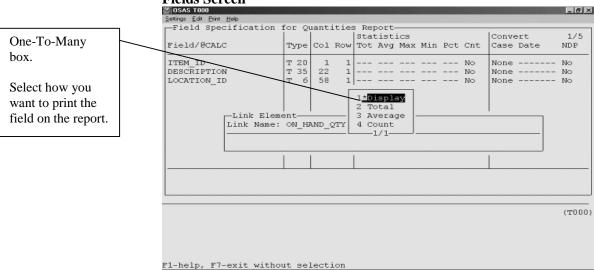
#### Fields Screen



Select the field you want to use to create the link.

Select the ON\_HAND\_QTY field for this link.

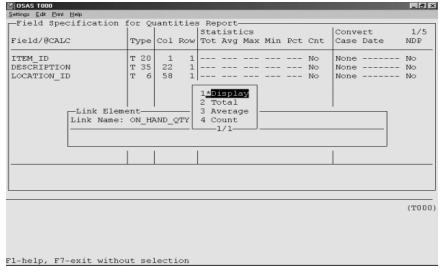




After the field is selected, the one-to-many box is displayed.

Select how you want the field to print on the report.

#### **Fields Screen**



#### **Option Description**

Display Prints each individual record from the linked file, based on the field selected and

any Criteria or Linksel criteria entered.

Total Prints the summary total for the field selected and not each individual record.

Total is only available for numeric fields.

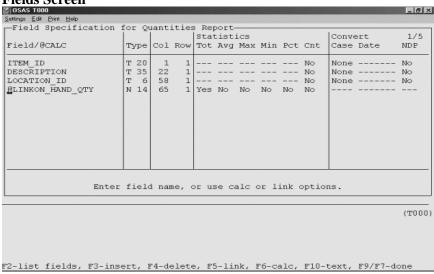
Average Prints the average total for the field selected and not each individual record.

Average is only available for numeric fields.

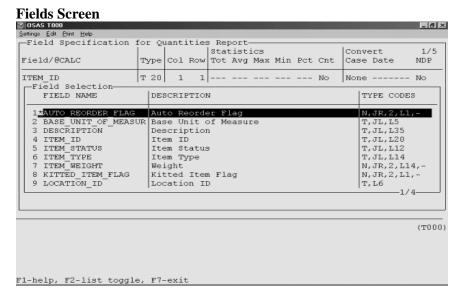
Count Prints the total number of records for the field and not each individual record.

#### Select Display

# **Fields Screen**



Once the field has been selected, it is added to the Fields Screen. @LINK is displayed before the Link Name.

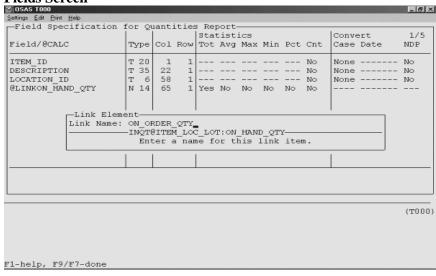


The next field is the On Order Quantity.

Use the list fields function and you will see that the On Order Quantity is not a field in the INVE file.

We need to create a link to get this field.

# **Fields Screen**

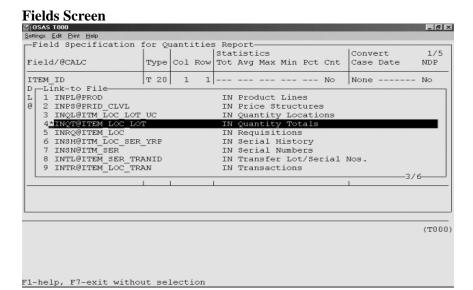


Select the Link function key to create a link field.

The Link Element box is displayed

Enter the Link Name.

Enter ON\_ORDER\_QTY for this field.

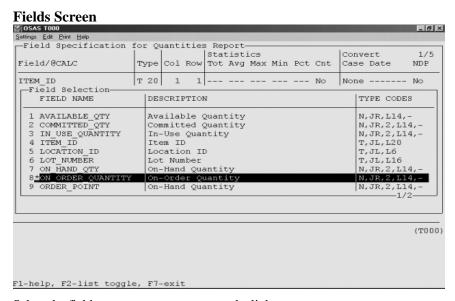


The Link-to-File box is displayed.

Select the file that contains the field you want for the link.

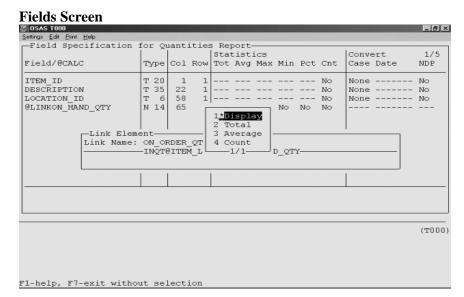
Select the INQT@ITEM\_LOC\_LOT for this report.

After the link to file is selected, the Field Selection box is displayed,



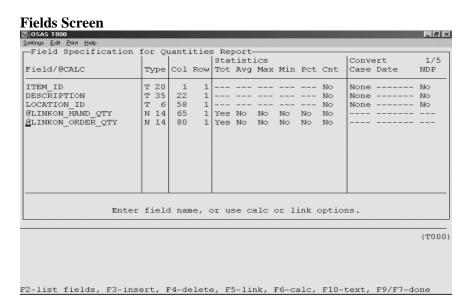
Select the field you want to use to create the link.

Select the ON\_ORDER\_QTY field for this link.

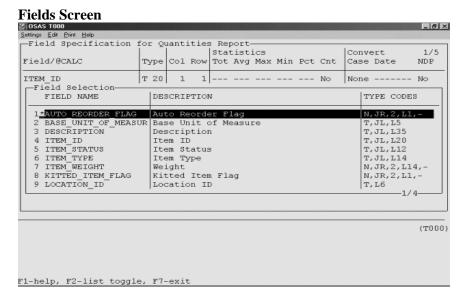


After the field is selected the one-to-many box is displayed, select how you want the field to print on the report.

#### Select Display



Once the field has been selected, it is added to the Fields Screen. @LINK is displayed before the Link Name.

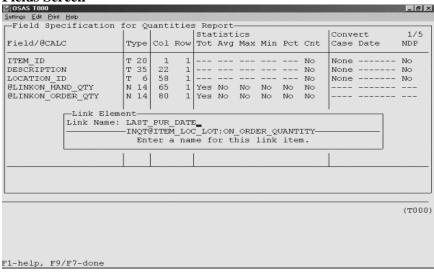


The final field for this report is the Last Purchase Date.

Use the list fields function and you will see that the On Order Quantity is not a field in the INVE file.

We need to create a link to get this field.

#### **Fields Screen**

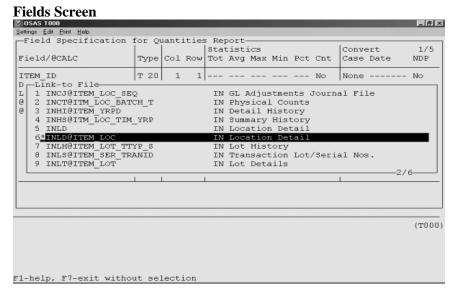


Select the Link function key to create a link field.

The Link Element box is displayed

Enter the Link Name.

Enter LAST\_PUR\_DATE for this field.

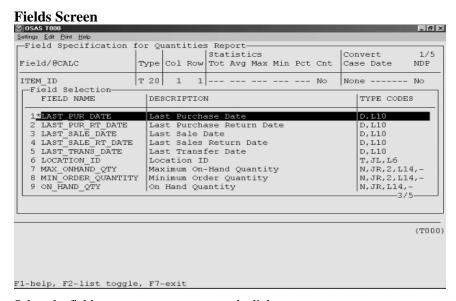


The Link-to-File box is displayed.

Select the file that contains the field you want for the link.

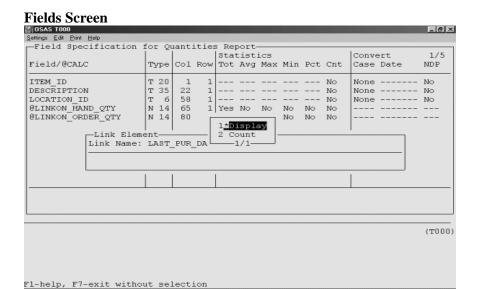
Select the INLD@ITEM\_LOC for this report.

After the link to file is selected, the Field Selection box is displayed,



Select the field you want to use to create the link.

Select the LAST\_PUR\_DATE field for this link.



After the field is selected, the one-to-many box is displayed.

Select how you want the field to print on the report.

# **Option Description**

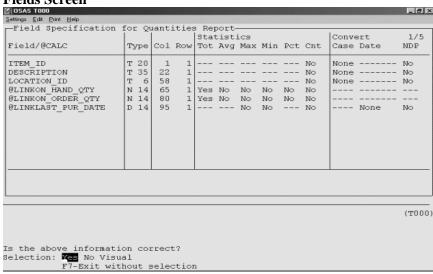
Display Prints each individual record from the linked file, based on the field selected and

any Criteria or Linksel criteria entered.

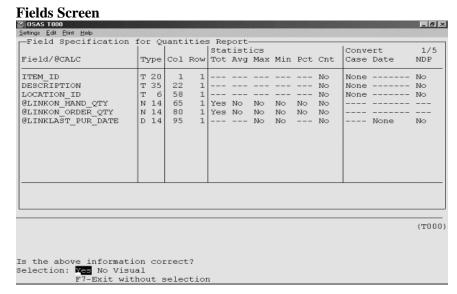
Count Prints the total number of records for the field and not each individual record.

#### Select Display

#### **Fields Screen**

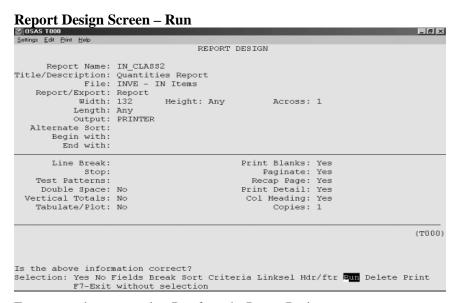


Once the field has been selected, it is added to the Fields Screen. @LINK is displayed before the Link Name.

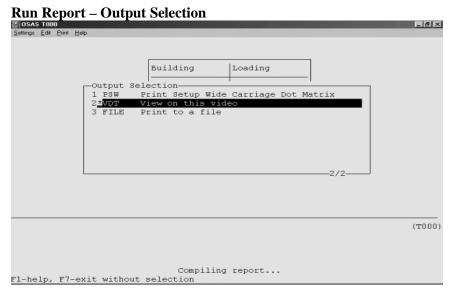


Once all the fields have been entered, select the done function key to display the verification prompt.

Select Yes to save the changes made in Fields and return to the Report Design Screen



To generate the report, select Run from the Report Design screen.



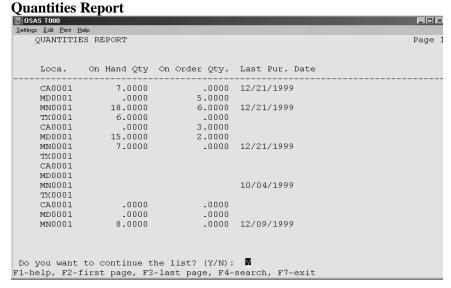
Based on the Report and Output fields on the Report Design screen, select the Output device you want to use for the report.

## Select VDT to print the report to the screen.

**Quantities Report** 

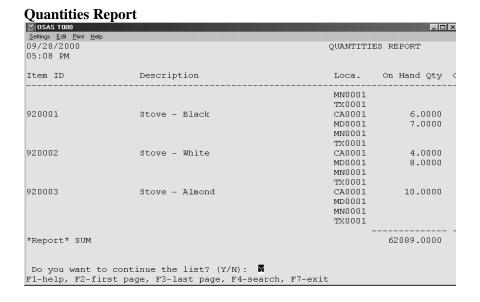
| OSAS TOOO   | port  |                                      | _ 🗆 ×                                |
|---|---|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Settings Edit Pint Help<br>09/28/2000<br>05:07 PM |   | QUANTITIES REPORT                    |                                      |
| Item ID   | Description   | Loca.                                | On Hand Qty (                        |
| 100   | Electrical Package  | CA0001<br>MD0001<br>MN0001<br>TX0001 | 7.0000<br>.0000<br>18.0000<br>6.0000 |
| 150   | Plumbing Package  | CA0001<br>MD0001<br>MN0001<br>TX0001 | .0000<br>15.0000<br>7.0000           |
| 200   | Heating/Cooling Package   | CA0001<br>MD0001<br>MN0001<br>TX0001 |                                      |
| 200100  | Furnace   | CA0001<br>MD0001<br>MN0001           | .0000<br>.0000<br>8.0000             |
|   | continue the list? (Y/N): <b>W</b><br>st page, F3-last page, F4-search, F | 7-exit                               |                                      |

Here is the first screen of the report, showing the Item, Description, Location ID, On Hand and On Order Quantities for each location, and the Last Purchase Date.



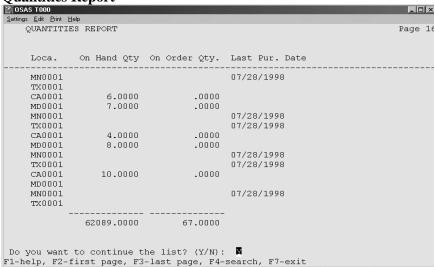
If you print to the screen, use the left and right arrows to shift between the left and right sides of the screen.

You can continue the list and see the remaining pages of the report and the recap page, go to the first page, go to the last page, search for a string or exit the report.

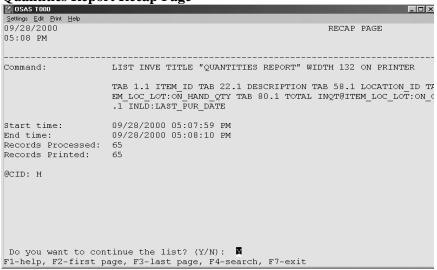


Here is the last screen of the report.

**Quantities Report** 

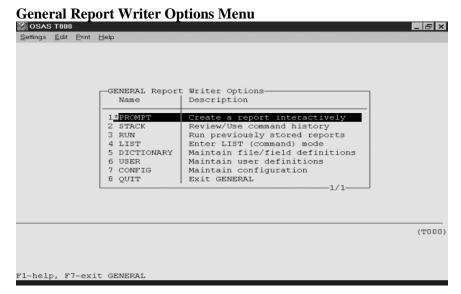


**Quantities Report Recap Page** 



The Recap Page

Exit the Report.



You are returned to the General Report Writer Options menu.

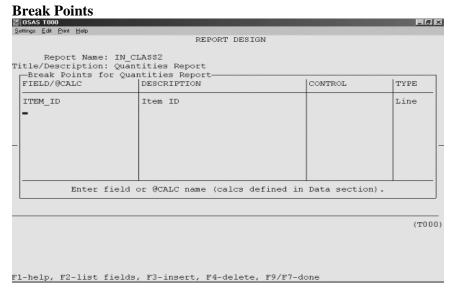
Select Prompt from the GENERAL Report Writer Options Menu.

# **Break points**

Next, we will select our break points and sorts for the report.

Report Design Screen \_ 8 × REPORT DESIGN Report Name: IN CLASS2 Title/Description: Quantities Report File: INVE - IN Items Report/Export: Report Width: 132 Height: Any Across: 1 Length: Any Output: PRINTER Alternate Sort: Begin with: End with: Line Break: Print Blanks: Yes Stop: Paginate: Yes Test Patterns: Recap Page: Yes Print Detail: Yes Double Space: No Vertical Totals: No Tabulate/Plot: No Col Heading: Yes Copies: 1 (T000) Is the above information correct? Selection: Yes No Fields Recar Sort Criteria Linksel Hdr/ftr Run Delete Print

Select Break from the Report Design Screen.



Select the field you want to create the break point. You can use the list fields function to select the field. You can select any field from the primary file OR any linked or calculated field on the report.

Select the ITEM ID field for this report. Leave the Control field blank and select Line for the Type field.

Once all the Break point fields<sup>41</sup> are selected, use the done function key to display the Verification prompt.

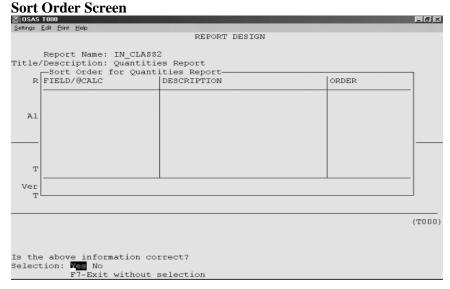
Select Yes to save the changes and return to the Report Design screen.

# **Sorts**

Report Design Screen - Sort

OSAS T000 Settings Edit Print Help \_ | & | × | REPORT DESIGN Report Name: IN\_CLASS2 Title/Description: Quantities Report File: INVE - IN Items Report/Export: Report Height: Any Width: 132 Across: 1 Length: Any Output: PRINTER Alternate Sort: Begin with: End with: Line Break: Print Blanks: Yes Stop: Paginate: Yes Test Patterns: Recap Page: Yes Double Space: No Vertical Totals: No Tabulate/Plot: No Print Detail: Yes Col Heading: Yes Copies: 1 (T000) Is the above information correct? Selection: Yes No Fields Break **Sort** Criteria Linksel Hdr/ftr Run Delete Print F7-Exit without selection

<sup>41</sup> General Report Writer supports a maximum of 9 break point fields in prompt mode.



We will not add any sorts to the report so leave the Sort Order screen blank.

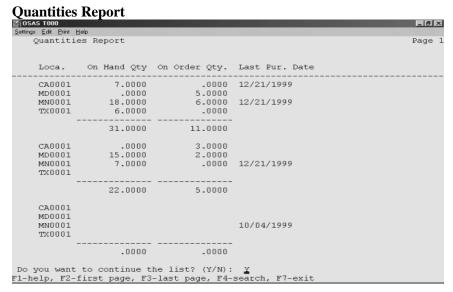
To generate the report, select Run from the Report Design screen.

Select the Output device for the report.

Select VDT to print the report to the screen.

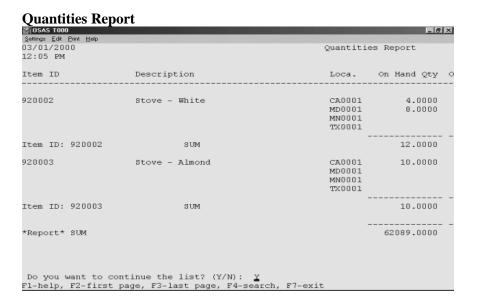
**Quantities Report** OSAS T000 Settings Edit Print Help 03/01/2000 12:05 PM \_ 8 × Quantities Report Item ID Description On Hand Qty O 100 Electrical Package MD0001 .0000 18.0000 TX0001 6.0000 Item ID: 100 31.0000 SUM 150 Plumbing Package . nnnn CARREL MD0001 15.0000 MNIIII 1 7.0000 TX0001 22.0000 Item ID: 150 200 Heating/Cooling Package CA0001 MD0001 MN0001 TX0001 .0000 Item ID: 200 SUM Do you want to continue the list? (Y/N):  $\underline{X}$  F1-help, F2-first page, F3-last page, F4-search, F7-exit

Here is the first screen of the report.

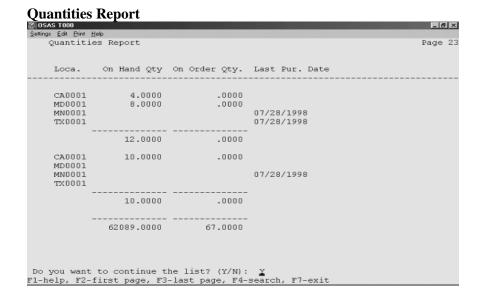


If you print to the screen, use the left and right arrows to shift between the left and right sides of the screen.

You can continue the list and see the remaining pages of the report and the recap page, go to the first page, go to the last page, search for a string or exit the report.



Here is the last screen of the report.



The Recap Page

#### Exit the Report.

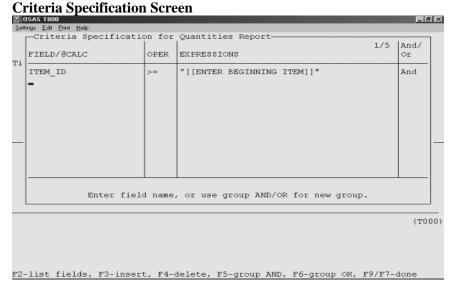
You are returned to the General Report Writer Options menu.

Do you want to continue the list? (Y/N):  $\underline{X}$  F1-help, F2-first page, F3-last page, F4-search, F7-exit

# Criteria

Next, we will add From/Thru run time replacement criteria to select the items on the report

Select the IN\_CLASS2 report. When the verification prompt, on the Report Design screen, is displayed, select Criteria.



Use the list fields function and select the ITEM\_ID field.

For the From operator use greater than (>) OR greater than or equal to (>=). You can use the list operators function to select the comparison operator for the field and the expression.

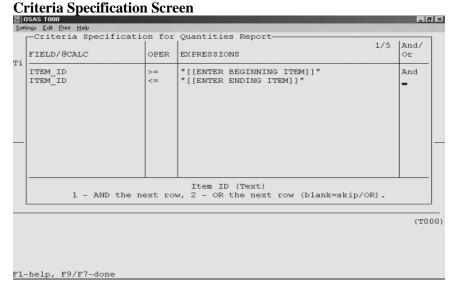
Select greater than or equal to (>=) for the operator.

Enter the Expressions you want to compare with the field.

#### Type [[ENTER BEGINNING ITEM]] in the Expressions field

General Report Writer will automatically place the quotes around the expression.

Select And in the And/Or field.



Enter to a blank Field/@Calc, use the list fields function, and select the ITEM\_ID field again.

For the Thru operator use less than (<) OR less than or equal to (<=). You can use the list operators function to select the comparison operator for the field and the expression.

# Select less than or equal to (<=) for the operator.

Enter the Expressions you want to compare with the field.

#### Type [[ENTER ENDING ITEM]] in the Expressions field

General Report Writer will automatically place the quotes around the expression.

#### Leave the And/Or field blank.

**Note:** When using the same field in criteria multiple times, the Expression must be worded differently on each line or General Report Writer will ignore the remaining lines for that field.

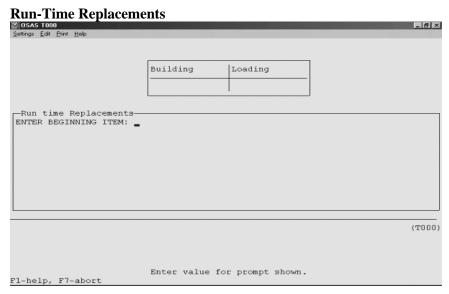


Once all the criteria have been entered, select the done function key to display the verification prompt.

#### Select Yes to save the changes and return to the Report Design screen.

To generate the report, select Run from the Report Design screen.

The Run time Replacement screen is displayed.



The first expression prompts you for the information to begin the report.

Enter the Beginning Item Criteria

#### Enter 100 for this field

F1-help, F7-abort

The second expression prompts you for the information to end the report.

Run Time Replacements

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-Run time Replacements

ENTER BEGINNING ITEM: 100

ENTER ENDING ITEM: 500

Enter value for prompt shown.

Enter the Ending Item Criteria

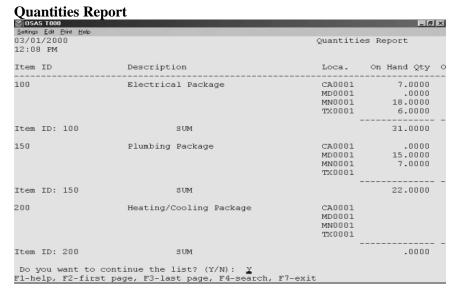
#### Enter 500 for this field

You **MUST** enter something in all the Run Time Replacement prompts in order for General Report Writer to return information on the report. If you leave the fields blank, General Report Writer will look for blank data fields in the files used on the report.

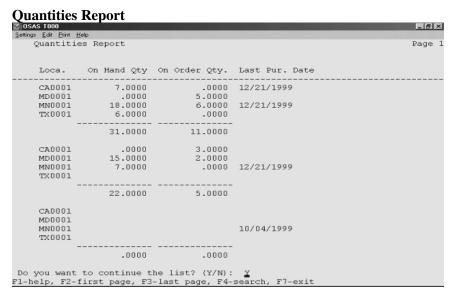
Once all the Run Time Replacement fields have been entered, the Output Selection screen is displayed.

Select the Output device for the report.

Select VDT to print the report to the screen.



Here is the first screen of the report, which lists items 100 through 500, based on the run time replacement criteria.

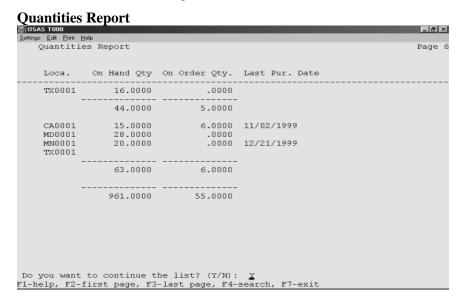


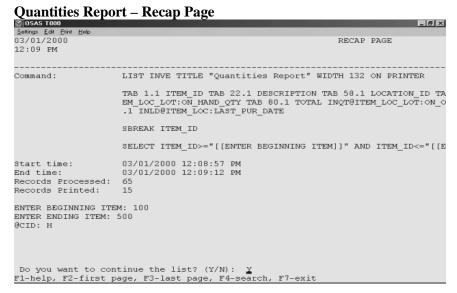
If you print to the screen, use the left and right arrows to shift between the left and right sides of the screen.

You can continue the list and see the remaining pages of the report and the recap page, go to the first page, go to the last page, search for a string or exit the report.

**Quantities Report** Settings Edit Print Help 03/01/2000 12:09 PM Quantities Report Item ID Loca. On Hand Qty O Description TX0001 16.0000 Item ID: 450 44.0000 SUM 15.0000 28.0000 20.0000 460 Slide by Window 30" X 40" CA0001 MN0001 TX0001 Item ID: 460 SUM 63.0000 961.0000 \*Report\* SUM Do you want to continue the list? (Y/N):  $\underline{X}$  F1-help, F2-first page, F3-last page, F4-search, F7-exit

Here is the last screen of the report.





The Recap Page

#### Exit the Report.

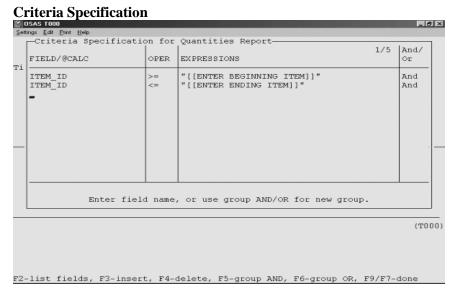
You are returned to the General Report Writer Options menu.

Select Prompt from the GENERAL Report Writer Options Menu.

Next, we will add Criteria to limit the Location returned on the report and to enter some runtime date criteria.

Select the IN\_CLASS2 report. When the verification prompt, on the Report Design screen, is displayed, select Criteria.

When the Criteria verification prompt is displayed, select No to add more criteria



Enter to the AND/OR field for the last Item ID field, select AND.

Use the list fields function and select the LOCATION\_ID field.

F2-list fields, F3-insert, F4-delete, F5-group AND, F6-group OR, F9/F7-done

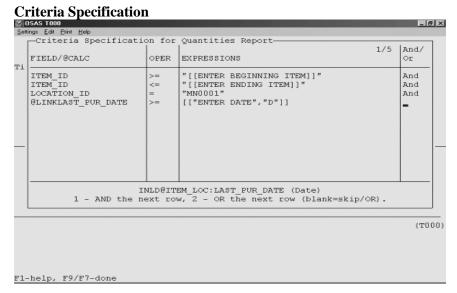
Use the list operators function and select equal to (=).

Enter the Expressions you want to compare with the field.

#### Enter MN0001 in the Expressions field.

General Report Writer will automatically place the quotes around the expression.

Select And in the And/Or field.



Use the list fields function and select the @LINKLAST\_PUR\_DATE field.

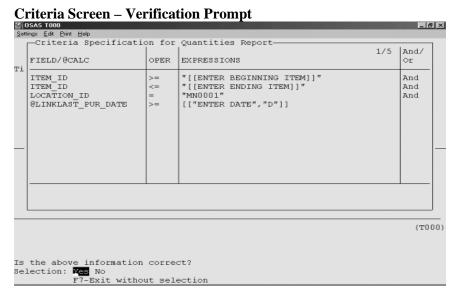
#### Select greater than or equal to (>=) for the operator.

Enter the Expressions you want to compare with the field.

# Enter [["STARTING DATE","D"]] in the Expressions field.

General Report Writer will not automatically place the quotes around the expression because this is a date field and quotes are used inside the brackets.

Leave the And/Or field blank.



Once all the criteria have been entered, select the done function key to display the verification prompt.

#### Select Yes to save the changes and return to the Report Design screen.

To generate the report, select Run from the Report Design screen.

The Run time Replacement screen is displayed.

The first expression prompts you for the information to begin the report.

Enter the Beginning Item Criteria

#### Enter 100 for this field

The second expression prompts you for the information to end the report.

Enter the Ending Item Criteria

# Enter 500 for this field

F1-help, F7-abort

Run Time Replacements

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ENTER BEGINNING ITEM: 100
ENTER ENDING ITEM: 500
ENTER DATE: MMDDYYYY

Enter value for prompt shown.

The Date field expression prompts you for the date criteria.

Run Time Replacements

Building Loading

ENTER BEGINNING ITEM: 100
ENTER ENDING ITEM: 500
ENTER DATE: 12011999

(T000)

Enter value for prompt shown.

#### Enter 12011999 for this field

You **MUST** enter something in all the Run Time Replacement prompts in order for General Report Writer to return information on the report. If you leave the fields blank, General Report Writer will look for blank data fields in the files used on the report.

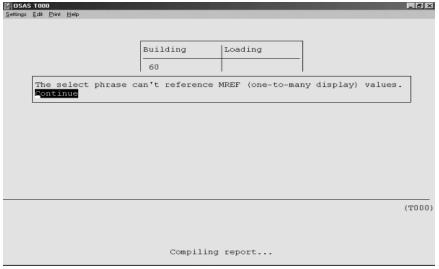
Once all the Run Time Replacement fields have been entered, the Output Selection screen is displayed.

Select the Output device for the report.

Select VDT to print the report to the screen.

The report returns the following error

#### **Mref Error**



### The select phrase can't reference MREF (one-to-many display) values

This error appears because a one-to-many link field was used in Criteria, which was the Last Purchase Date.

One-to-many link fields must have the criteria setup though the Linksel function.

The report will not generate with this error. to return to exit the report.

You are returned to the General Report Writer Options menu.

Select Prompt from the GENERAL Report Writer Options Menu.

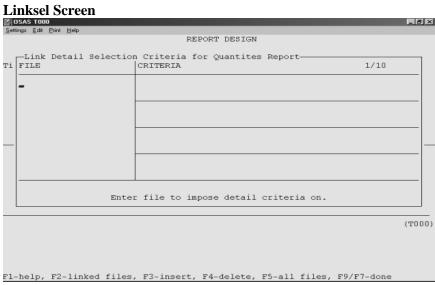
# Linksel

Criteria for One-to-Many link fields must be setup in Linksel (Link Detail Selection Criteria)

F7-Exit without selection

Select the IN\_CLASS2 report. When the verification prompt, on the Report Design screen, is displayed, select Linksel.

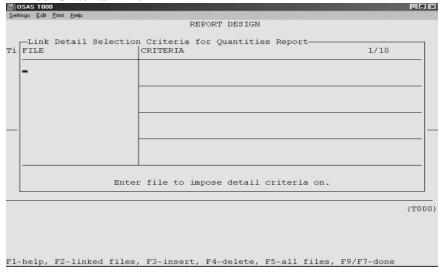
Use the Linksel screen to impose criteria on any one-to-many linked fields.



| <b>Command</b> | <u>Description</u>  |
|----------------|---|
| Help           | Select the function key listed to display help for the field or function you are on.            |
| Linked files   | Select the function key listed to display the list of files linked to the central file.         |
| Insert         | Select the function key listed to insert a blank line.  |
| Delete         | Select the function key listed to delete a file from Linksel.                                   |
| All files      | Select the function key listed to display a list of all available files.                        |
| Done           | Select the function keys listed to display the Verification prompt and exit the Linksel screen. |

To setup Linksel Criteria perform the following:

### Linksel Criteria - File

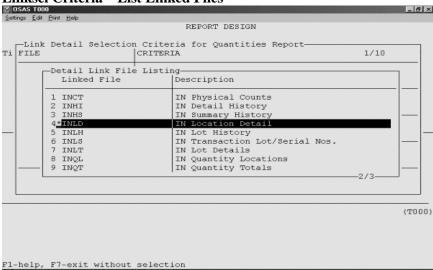


1. Select the file that contains the field you want to setup criteria.

You can use the list linked files function to select from files the central file is linked to.

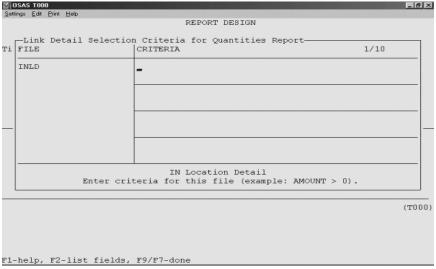
You can use the list all files function to select from all data dictionary files used by General Report Writer.

#### **Linksel Criteria – List Linked Files**



Select the INLD file for this link, which is the file the Last Purchase Date is stored in.

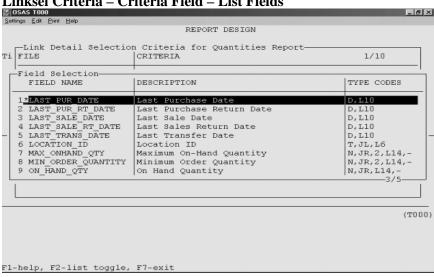
Linksel Criteria - Criteria Field



Enter the Criteria information.

The Fields, Operators, and Expressions are entered in the Criteria field<sup>42</sup>.

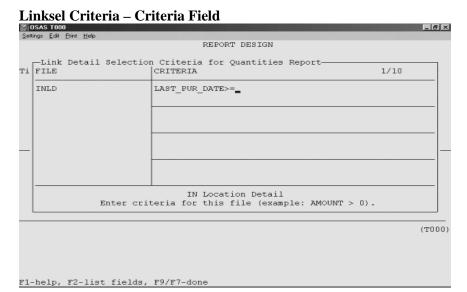
Linksel Criteria – Criteria Field – List Fields



You can use the list fields function to select the fields from the selected file.

Select the LAST\_PUR\_DATE field

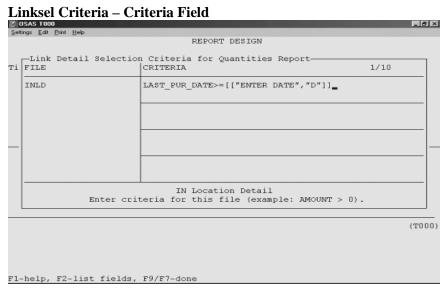
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>42</sup> The Criteria field is limited to 100 characters.



3. Select the comparison operator for the selected field and the expression.

You must manually type in the operator.

Type >= (greater than or equal to) for the operator.



4. Enter the Expression you want to compare against the field.\*

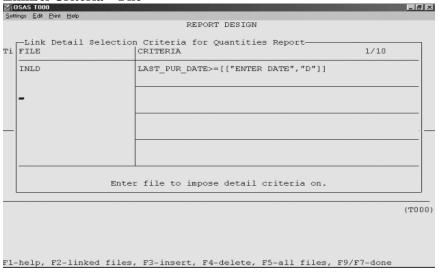
The Expression can be a field from the selected file, a constant by typing in the expression or a runtime replacement.

Multiple expression can be entered by using the AND/OR connectors.

Enter the runtime replacement [["ENTER DATE","D"]]

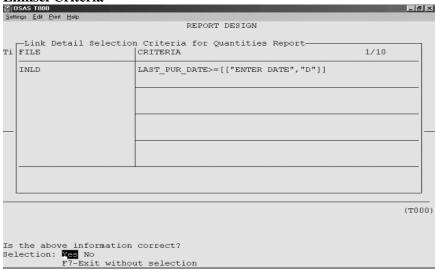
<sup>\*</sup> You do not have to leave any spaces between the Field and the Operator or the Operator and the Expression.

Linksel Criteria – File



After you enter the Fields, Operators, and Expressions, you must press enter until the cursor is taken to the next File<sup>43</sup> section Or select the done key or General Report Writer will not save your Linksel criteria.

### **Linksel Criteria**



Once all the Files and Criteria have been entered, select the done function key to display the verification prompt.

Select Yes to save the changes and return to the Report Design screen.

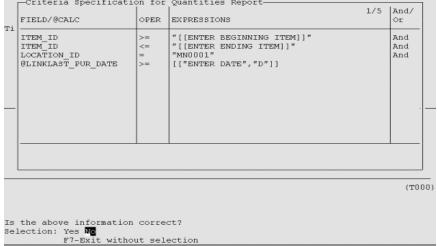
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>43</sup> You can select up to 40 files in Linksel.

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Next, we need to remove the Last Purchase Date criteria from the Criteria Screen.

Select Criteria on the report design screen.

Criteria Specification Screen Criteria Specification for Quantities Report FIELD/@CALC OPER



Select No at verification prompt.

Delete the Last Purchase Date criteria

Criteria Screen- Verification Prompt || \_ | & | × -Criteria Specification for Quantities Report And/ FIELD/@CALC OPER EXPRESSIONS ITEM\_ID ITEM\_ID LOCATION\_ID "[[ENTER BEGINNING ITEM]]"
"[[ENTER ENDING ITEM]]"
"MN0001" And And (T000) Is the above information correct?
Selection: Yes No
F7-Exit without selection

Select done function key to display the verification prompt.

Select Yes to save the changes and return to the Report Design screen.

To generate the report, select Run from the Report Design screen.

Run Time Replacements

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ENTER ENTER ENTER: 100
ENTER ENDING ITEM: 500
ENTER DATE: 12011999

Enter value for prompt shown.

The Run time Replacement screen is displayed.

The first expression prompts you for the information to begin the report.

Enter the Beginning Item Criteria

### Enter 100 for this field

The second expression prompts you for the information to end the report.

Enter the Ending Item Criteria

#### Enter 500 for this field

The Date field expression prompts you for the date criteria.

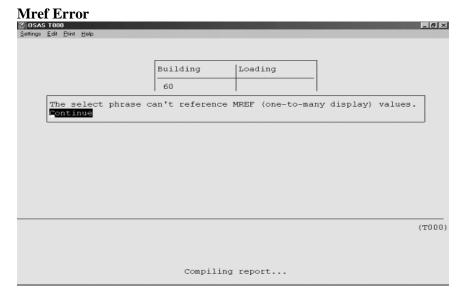
# Enter 12011999 for this field

You **MUST** enter something in all the Run Time Replacement prompts in order for General Report Writer to return information on the report. If you leave the fields blank, General Report Writer will look for blank data fields in the files used on the report.

Once all the Run Time Replacement fields have been entered, the Output Selection screen is displayed.

Select the Output device for the report.

Select VDT to print the report to the screen.



The report still generates the error.

### The select phrase can't reference MREF (one-to-many display) values

This error appears because we used a one-to-many link field in Criteria.

The one-to-many linked field is the Location ID.

The report will not generate with this error.

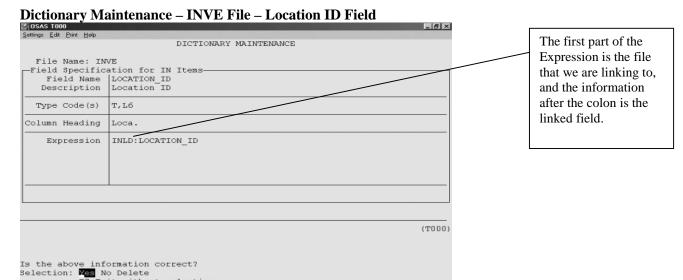
Press Enter to exit the report.

You are returned to the General Report Writer Options menu.

Select Prompt from the GENERAL Report Writer Options Menu.

Some link fields have been pre-setup by OSAS. The Location ID in the INVE file is one of those fields.

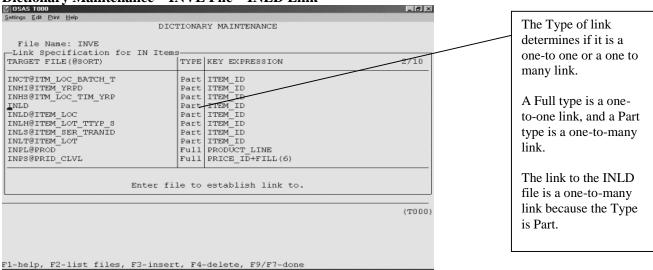
Here is the Dictionary setup of that field.



The Expression tells you that this is a link field.

Here is the setup of the link from the INVE file to the INLD file.





The Type tells if the link is one-to-one or one-to-many.

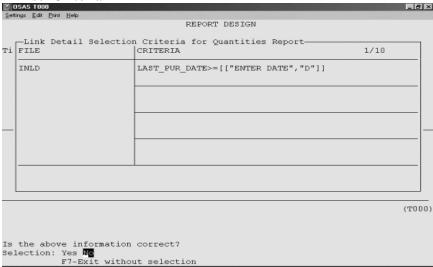
Full means the link is a one to one link.

Part means the link is a one-to-many link.

We need to add the Location ID criteria to the Linksel screen and remove it from the Criteria screen.

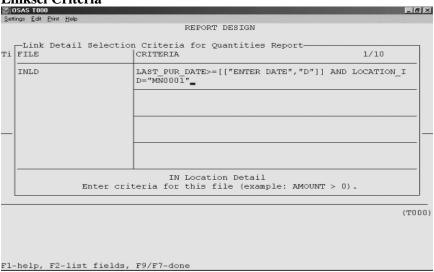
Select the IN\_CLASS2 report. When the verification prompt, on the Report Design screen, is displayed, select Linksel.

### **Linksel Criteria**



When the Linksel verification prompt is displayed, select No to add the Location ID criteria

#### **Linksel Criteria**



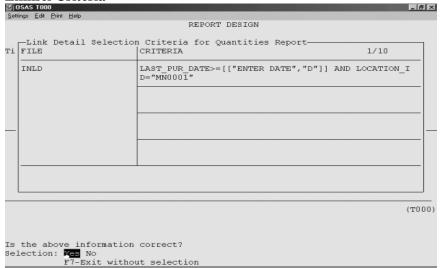
Add the criteria for the location id.

After the Last Purchase Date criteria, type And LOCATION\_ID="MN0001"

In Linksel you must manually type quotes around text fields.

After you enter the Fields, Operators, and Expressions, you must press enter until the cursor is taken to the next File section or General Report Writer will not save your Linksel criteria.

#### **Linksel Criteria**



Once all the Files and Criteria have been entered, select the done function key to display the verification prompt.

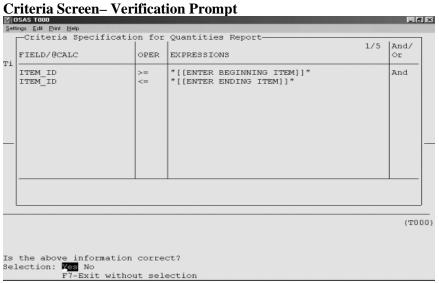
### Select Yes to save the changes and return to the Report Design screen.

Next, we need to remove the Location ID criteria from the Criteria Screen.

#### Select Criteria on the report design screen.

When the Criteria verification prompt is displayed, select No to remove the Location ID criteria

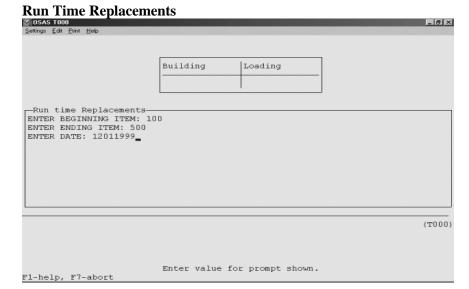
Delete the Location ID criteria



Select done function key to display the verification prompt.

# Select Yes to save the changes and return to the Report Design screen.

To generate the report, select Run from the Report Design screen.



The Run time Replacement screen is displayed.

The first expression prompts you for the information to begin the report.

Enter the Beginning Item Criteria

### Enter 100 for this field

The second expression prompts you for the information to end the report.

Enter the Ending Item Criteria

#### Enter 500 for this field

The Date field expression prompts you for the date criteria

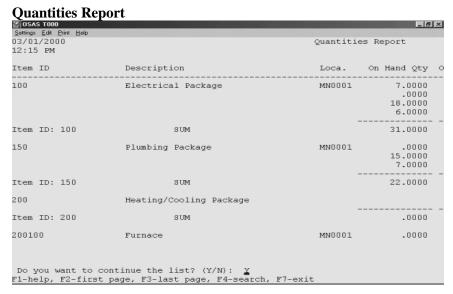
# Enter 12011999 for this field

You **MUST** enter something in all the Run Time Replacement prompts in order for General Report Writer to return information on the report. If you leave the fields blank, General Report Writer will look for blank data fields in the files used on the report.

Once all the Run Time Replacement fields have been entered, the Output Selection screen is displayed.

Select the Output device for the report.

Select VDT to print the report to the screen.



Here is the first screen of the report, which lists items 100 through 500, based on the run time replacement criteria.

The MN0001 location is the only one printing on the report and our date criteria is selected correctly, but still getting quantities for all locations.

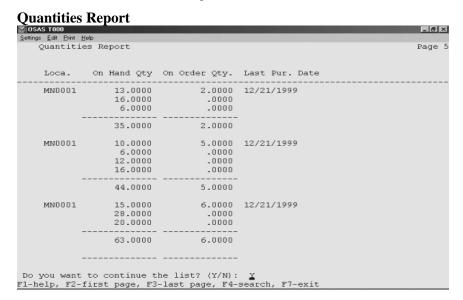
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|--------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------|----|
| Loca.                    | On Hand Qty                | On Order Qty.                       | Last Pur. Date |    |
| MN0001                   | .0000<br>18.0000<br>6.0000 | 5.0000<br>6.0000                    | 12/21/1999     |    |
| MN0001                   | 15.0000<br>7.0000          | 3.0000<br>2.0000<br>.0000<br>5.0000 | 12/21/1999     |    |
|                          |                            |                                     |                |    |
|                          | .0000                      | .0000                               |                |    |
| MN0001                   | .0000                      | .0000                               | 12/09/1999     |    |

If you print to the screen, use the left and right arrows to shift between the left and right sides of the screen.

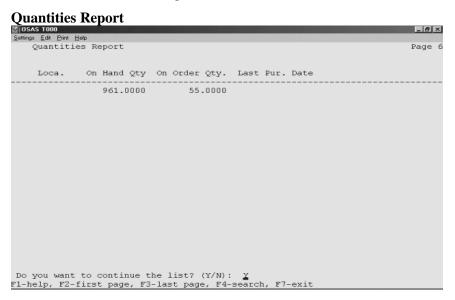
You can continue the list and see the remaining pages of the report and the recap page, go to the first page, go to the last page, search for a string or exit the report.

**Quantities Report** © OSAS T000 Settings Edit Print Help 03/01/2000 12:15 PM \_ 8 × Quantities Report Item ID Description Loca. On Hand Qty O 400 MN0001 13.0000 Interior Materials 6.0000 Item ID: 400 35.0000 SUM 450 Slide by Window 24" x 40" 10.0000 MN0001 6.0000 12.0000 16.0000 Item ID: 450 44.0000 Slide by Window 30" X 40" MN0001 15.0000 28.0000 20.0000 Item ID: 460 SUM 63.0000 Do you want to continue the list? (Y/N):  $\underline{X}$  F1-help, F2-first page, F3-last page, F4-search, F7-exit

Here is the second screen of the report.

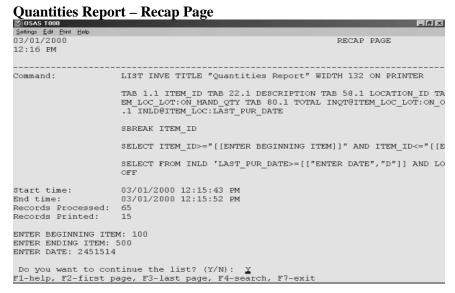


Here is the last screen of the report



The reason the report prints this way is Linksel criteria can only limit the one file selected.

It cannot limit the central file or any other linked files.



The Recap Page

#### Exit the Report.

You are returned to the General Report Writer Options menu.

Select Prompt from the GENERAL Report Writer Options Menu.

The results we received on the report usually means the wrong file was selected as the central file. We need a file that will allow us to limit the location and only display the quantities from that location

We can edit the existing report or create a new report.

**Report Design Screen - Copy** OSAS T000 Settings Edit Print Help \_ | & | × REPORT DESIGN Report Name: IN CLASS3 Title/Description: File: Report/Export: Width: Heiaht: Across: Output: Alternate Sort: Begin with: End with: Line Break: Print Blanks: Stop: Paginate: Test Patterns: Recap Page: Double Space: Vertical Totals: Print Detail: Col Heading: Tabulate/Plot: Copies: (T000) Is this a new definition? Selection: No Yes Fosy F7-Exit without

Enter a new Report Name<sup>44</sup>. When General Report Writer prompts, "Is this a new definition?", select Copy.

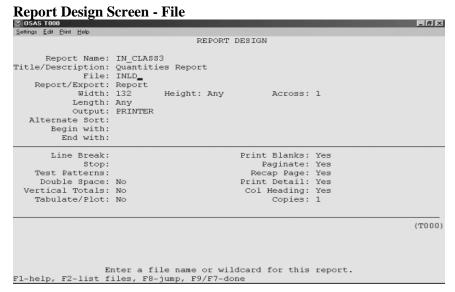
#### Enter IN\_CLASS3

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>44</sup> The Report Name can be 1-20 characters long, and cannot contain symbols or spaces.

All reports previously created display, select the report you want to copy.

# Select the IN\_CLASS2 report.

When the verification prompt is displayed, select NO to change the file



Change the file field from INVE to INLD.

You can use the list files function to select the INLD file.

Once you change the central file you should check Fields, Break, Sort, Criteria and Linksel information to make sure everything works with the new central file.

**Report Design Screen - Fields** 

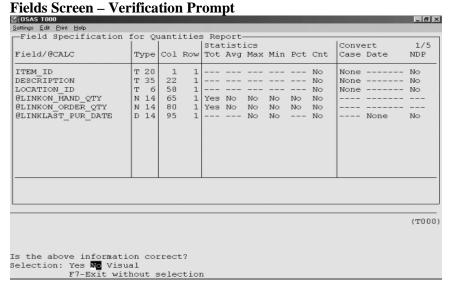
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                                             REPORT DESIGN
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Title/Description: Quantities Report
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              Length: Any
              Output: PRINTER
   Alternate Sort:
Begin with:
           End with:
                                      Print Blanks: Yes
      Line Break:
                 Stop:
                                                            Paginate: Yes
                                                        Recap Page: Yes
     Test Patterns:
  Double Space: No
Vertical Totals: No
                                                        Print Detail: Yes
                                                        Col Heading: Yes
     Tabulate/Plot: No
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Is the above information correct?
Selection: Yes No Sields Break Sort Criteria Linksel Hdr/ftr Run Delete Print
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When the verification prompt is displayed, select Fields, to verify and edit the fields.

You should verify that all the fields from the original central file appear in the new central file. If a field does not exist, you will need to create a link to get the field on the report.

If there are any linked fields, those links will have to be recreated because the new central file may not link to the linked file in the same manner as the old central file.

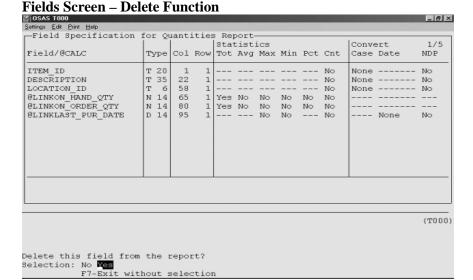
If there are any calculated fields on the report, verify the fields in the expression to insure they are part of the new central file or the link is recreated if a field in the expression is a linked field.



When the Fields verification prompt is displayed, select NO to edit the fields

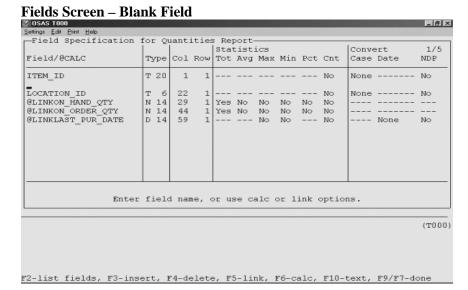
To verify if the field exists in the new central file, use the list fields function for each non-link, or non-calculated field. 45

The Item Id field is part of the INLD file. The Description field is not part of the INLD file. It should be removed and a linked field used instead.

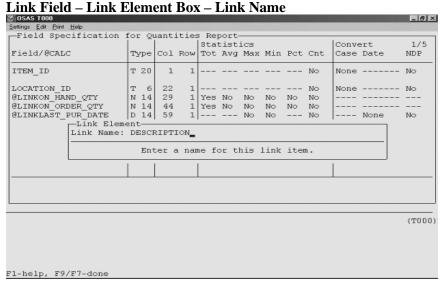


Use the delete function to remove the field from the report.

<sup>45</sup> You can also press the enter key at each of the non-link, non-calculated fields. If the cursor moves to the Col/Row column the field is part of the new central file, if the cursor does not move the field is not part of the central file and a link field must be created as a replacement.



Once the field has been deleted, use the insert function to create a blank line so the link can be created.  $^{46}$ 



Use the link function to create the linked field on the report.

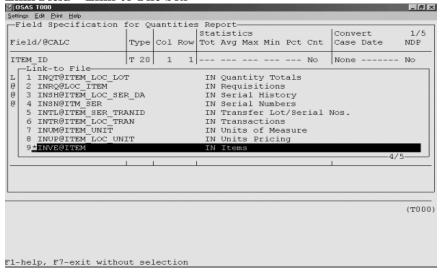
When the Link Element box is displayed, enter the Link Name<sup>47</sup>

Enter Description for the Link Name

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>46</sup> Sometimes General Report Writer will create the blank line automatically and it will not be necessary to insert a blank line.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>47</sup> The Link Name can be 1-14 characters long and cannot contain spaces or symbols.

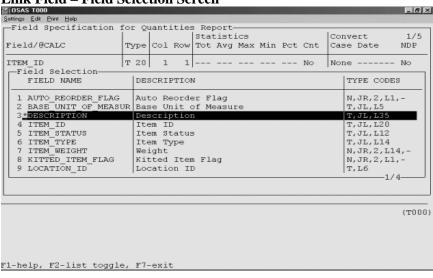
Link Field - Link-to-File box



The Link-to-File box is displayed; select the file that contains the field you want to use for the link.

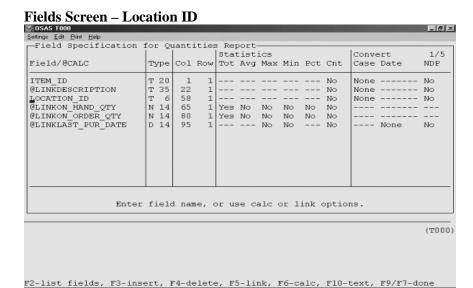
Select the INVE@ITEM file

**Link Field – Field Selection Screen** 



The Field Selection screen is displayed, select the field you want for the link.

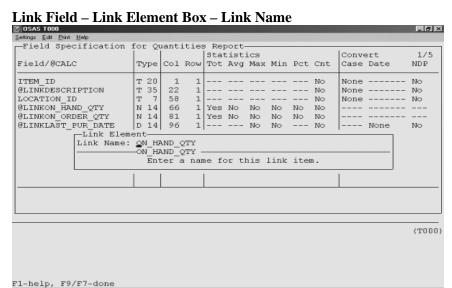
Select the Description field.



The Location ID field is part of the INLD file.

The next step is to re-create the link field for the On Hand Quantity.

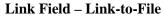
To re-create the link, use the link function key.

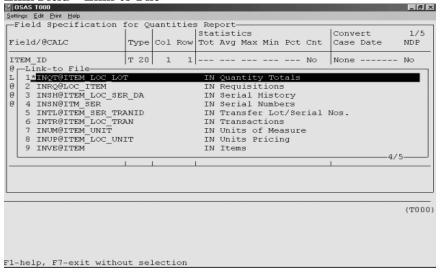


The Link Element box is displayed with the Link Name from the original report.

You can change the link name or accept it.

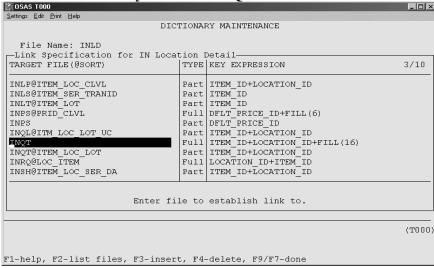
Press Enter to accept the link name.





For this link, the original link to file is available.

# INLD Data Dictionary – LINK to INQT File

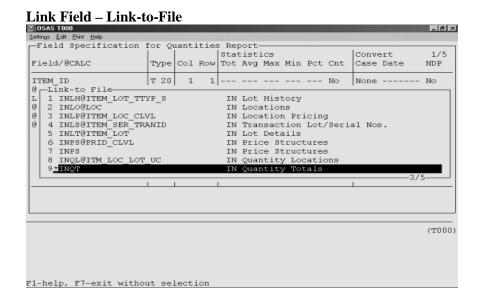


This will give you a one-to-many linked field on the report, which will result in the same problem from the original report.

The link to the INQT@ITEM\_LOC\_LOT is a partial link, which will create a one-to-many link on the report.

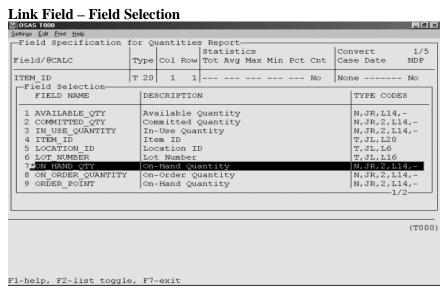
The link to the INQT is a full link, which will create a one-to-one link on the report.

It is usually more advantageous to have a one-to-one link over a one-to-many link.



For this link, arrow up or page up and select the INQT file.

This link to file will give you a one-to-one link<sup>48</sup>.



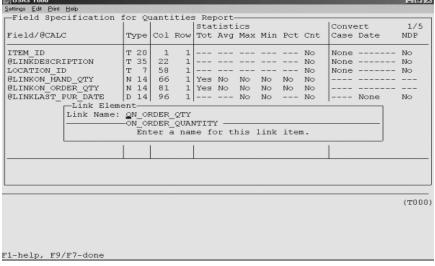
The link field is the same ON HAND QTY field from the original link.

The next step is to re-create the link field for the On Order Quantity.

To re-create the link, use the link function key.

<sup>48</sup> The only way to determine if the link is one-to-one or one-to-many, is to check the link between the files in Dictionary.

Link Field – Link Element Box – Link Name

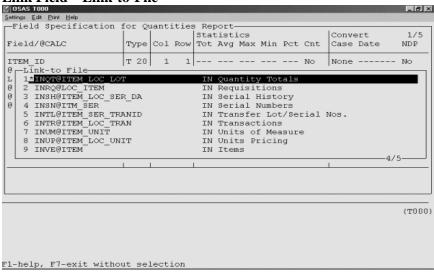


The Link Element box is displayed with the Link Name from the original report.

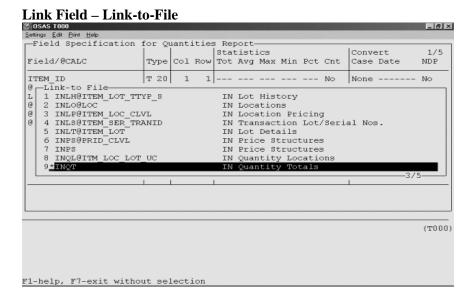
You can change the link name or accept it.

Press Enter to accept the link name.

Link Field - Link-to-File

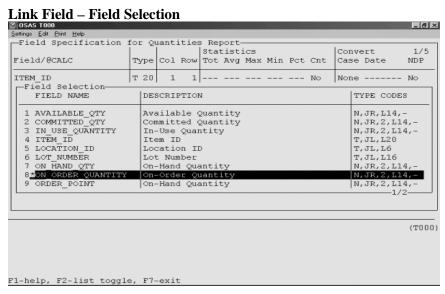


The original link to file is available for this link as well, but this will cause the same problem as the On Hand Qty link.



For this link, arrow up or page up and select the INQT file.

This link to file will give you a one-to-one link<sup>49</sup>.

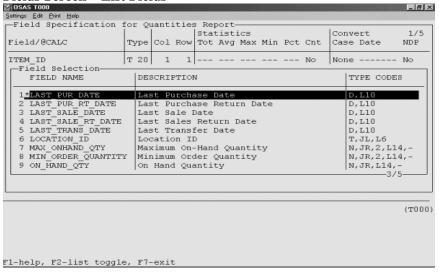


The link field is the same ON ORDER QTY field from the original link.

The link for the Last Purchase Date came from the INLD file. Since the INLD file is now the central file for the report, the link is no longer required.

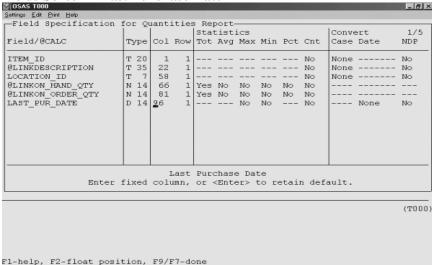
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>49</sup> The only way to determine if the link is one-to-one or one-to-many, is to check the link between the files in Dictionary.

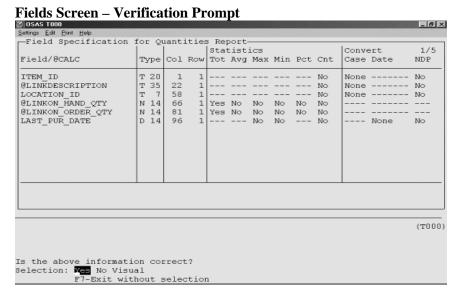
Fields Screen - List Fields



Use the list fields function, select the LAST\_PUR\_DATE field to replace the link for the Last Purchase Date.

# Fields Screen – Last Purchase Date





Once all the fields have been verified or edited select the done function key to display the verification prompt.

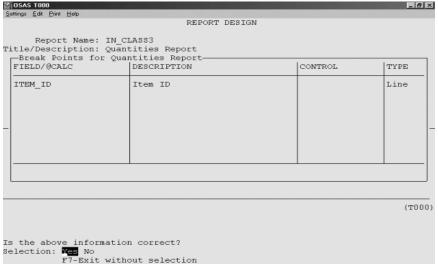
Select Yes to save the changes and return to the Report Design screen.

Next, verify the Break fields

Report Design Screen - Break OSAS T000 Settings Edit Print Help \_ 8 × REPORT DESIGN Report Name: IN CLASS3 Title/Description: Quantities Report
File: INLD - IN Location Detail
Report/Export: Report
Width: 132 Height: Any Height: Any Across: 1 Length: Any Output: PRINTER Alternate Sort: Begin with: End with: Line Break: Stop: Print Blanks: Yes Paginate: Yes Paginate: Yes Recap Page: Yes Print Detail: Yes Test Patterns: Double Space: No Vertical Totals: No Tabulate/Plot: No Col Heading: Yes Copies: 1 (T000) Is the above information correct? Selection: Yes No Fields Recar Sort Criteria Linksel Hdr/ftr Run Delete Print F7-Exit without selection

Select Break from the Report Design Screen.

Break Points Screen



You should verify that all the break point fields from the original central file appear in the new central file.

If a field is not in the new central file, select the new link field that should have been created in fields to replace the original field.

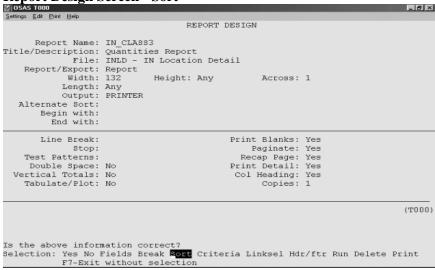
If the field was in the original central file but not on the report and is not part of the new central file a link field will have to be created on the report OR in Dictionary to replace this field.

The Item ID field is part of the INLD file so this break point field is ok.

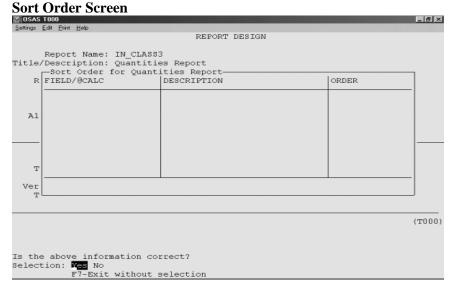
Select Yes when the verification prompt is displayed.

Next, verify the Sort fields

**Report Design Screen - Sort** 



Select Sort from the Report Design Screen

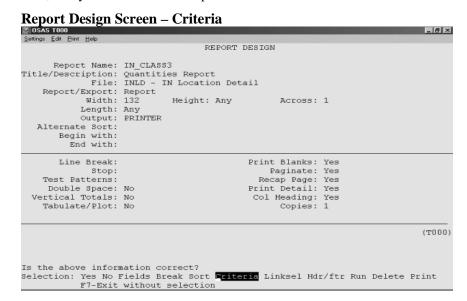


The original report did not use any sorts, so this screen should be blank.

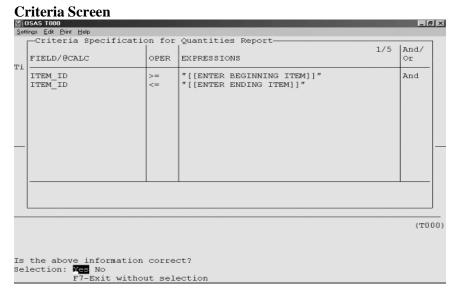
Select the done function key to display the verification prompt.

Select Yes to save the Sort Order screen and return to the Report Design screen.

Next, verify the Criteria for the report.



Select Criteria from the Report Design screen.



You should verify that all the criteria fields from the original central file appear in the new central file

If a field is not in the new central file, select the new link field that should have been created in fields to replace the original field, but only if the link is a one-to-one link. If the link is a one-to-many link, setup the criteria in Linksel.

If the field was in the original central file but not on the report and is not part of the new central file a link field will have to be created on the report OR in Dictionary to replace this field. This new link can only be used in Criteria if the link is a one-to-one link.

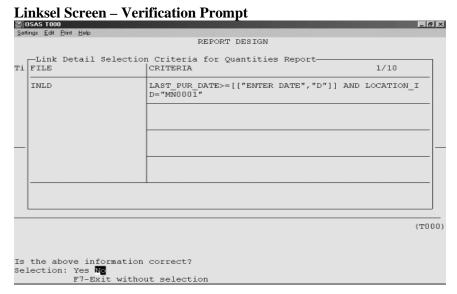
The Item ID field is part of the INLD file so the criteria are ok.

# Select Yes when the verification prompt is displayed.

Next, verify the Linksel criteria for the report.

Report Design Screen - Linksel | \_ | & | × | REPORT DESIGN Report Name: IN CLASS3 Title/Description: Quantities Report
File: INLD - IN Location Detail Report/Export: Report Height: Anv Width: 132 Across: 1 Length: Any Output: PRINTER Alternate Sort: Begin with: End with: Line Break: Print Blanks: Yes Paginate: Yes Recap Page: Yes Test Patterns: Double Space: No Vertical Totals: No Print Detail: Yes Col Heading: Yes Tabulate/Plot: No Copies: 1 (T000) Is the above information correct? Selection: Yes No Fields Break Sort Criteria Winksel Hdr/ftr Run Delete Print F7-Exit without selection

Select Linksel from the Report Design Screen.

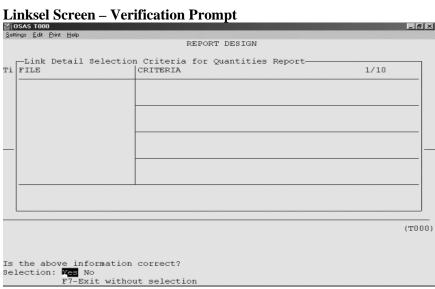


The Linksel for the original report was setup to the INLD file, which is now the central file on this report, so the Linksel criteria should be deleted and setup on the Criteria screen.

When the verification prompt is displayed, select No to delete the INLD linksel criteria from the report

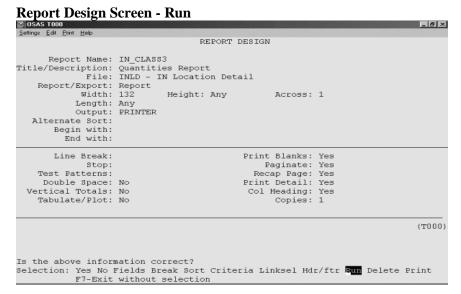
# 

Use the delete function to remove the INLD Linksel criteria from the report.



Once the Linksel criteria has been deleted, use the done function key to display the verification

Select Yes to save the changes and return to the Report Design screen.



Before adding the Linksel criteria to the Criteria screen, select Run from the Report Design screen to generate the report.

The Run time Replacement screen is displayed.

The first expression prompts you for the information to begin the report.

Enter the Beginning Item Criteria

### Enter 100 for this field

The second expression prompts you for the information to end the report.

Enter the Ending Item Criteria

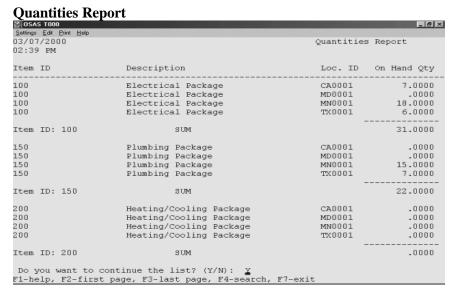
# Enter 500 for this field

You **MUST** enter something in all the Run Time Replacement prompts in order for General Report Writer to return information on the report. If you leave the fields blank, General Report Writer will look for blank data fields in the files used on the report.

Once all the Run Time Replacement fields have been entered, the Output Selection screen is displayed.

Select the Output device for the report.

Select VDT to print the report to the screen.



Here is the first screen of the report, which list items 100 through 500, based on the run time replacement criteria.

All locations and all quantities print, just like the first run of the original report.

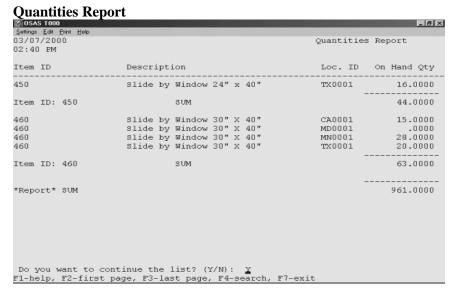
The Item ID and Description print for each individual location.

You could use the NDP option on each of those fields to get the report to print without duplicating each Item and Description for each location.

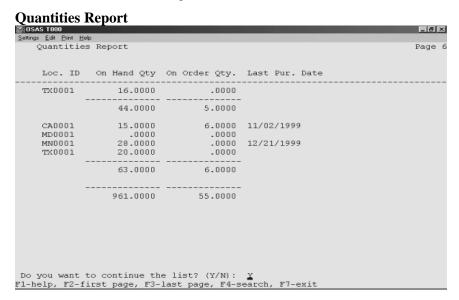
**Ouantities Report** \_ 5 × OSAS T000
Settings Edit Print Help Quantities Report Page Loc. ID On Hand Qty On Order Qty. Last Pur. Date CA0001 7.0000 .0000 12/21/1999 18.0000 6.0000 12/21/1999 MNDDD1 6.0000 TX0001 31.0000 11.0000 MD0001 .0000 3.0000 MN0001 15.0000 2.0000 12/21/1999 TX0001 7.0000 .0000 22.0000 5.0000 CARREST .0000 . 0000 MD0001 .0000 .0000 MN0001 .0000 10/04/1999 TX0001 .0000 Do you want to continue the list? (Y/N): F1-help, F2-first page, F3-last page, F4-search, F7-exit

If you print to the screen, use the left and right arrows to shift between the left and right sides of the screen.

You can continue the list and see the remaining pages of the report and the recap page, go to the first page, go to the last page, search for a string or exit the report.



Here is the last screen of the report.



Quantities Report - Recap Page

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@ Settings Edit Brint Help
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Command: LIST INLD TITLE "Quantities Report" WIDTH 132 ON PRINTER

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AL INQT:ON\_HAND\_QTY TAB 81.1 TOTAL INQT:ON\_ORDER\_QUANTITY TA

SBREAK ITEM\_ID

SELECT ITEM\_ID>="[[ENTER BEGINNING ITEM]]" AND ITEM\_ID<="[[E
End time: 03/07/2000 02:39:52 PM
End time: 03/07/2000 02:40:02 PM
Records Processed: 204
Records Printed: 60

ENTER BEGINNING ITEM: 100
ENTER ENDING ITEM: 500

@CID: H

Do you want to continue the list? (Y/N): ¥
F1-help, F2-first page, F3-last page, F4-search, F7-exit

The Recap Page

#### Exit the Report.

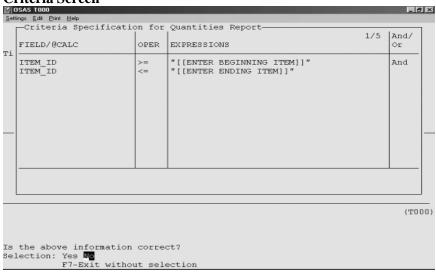
You are returned to the General Report Writer Options menu.

Select Prompt from the GENERAL Report Writer Options Menu.

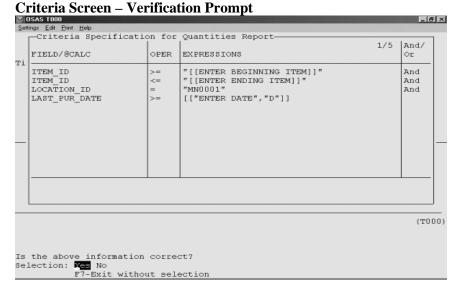
Next, add the criteria for the Location ID and Last Purchase Date fields.

Select Criteria from the Report Design screen.

#### Criteria Screen



When the verification prompt is displayed, select No to add more criteria



Enter to the AND/OR field for the last Item ID field, select AND.

Use the list fields function and select the LOCATION\_ID field.

Use the list operators function and select equal to (=).

Enter the Expressions you want to compare with the field.

#### Enter MN0001 in the Expressions field.

General Report Writer will automatically place the quotes around the expression.

#### Select And in the And/Or field.

Use the list fields function and select the LAST\_PUR\_DATE field.

#### Select greater than or equal to (>=) for the operator.

Enter the Expressions you want to compare with the field.

#### Enter [["STARTING DATE","D"]] in the Expressions field.

General Report Writer will not automatically place the quotes around the expression because this is a date field and quotes are used inside the brackets.

#### Leave the And/Or field blank.

Once all the criteria have been entered, select the done function key to display the verification prompt.

#### Select Yes to save the changes and return to the Report Design screen.

To generate the report, select Run from the Report Design screen.

Run Time Replacements

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ENTER ESGINNING ITEM: 100
ENTER EDINING ITEM: 500
ENTER DATE: 12011999

Enter value for prompt shown.

The Run time Replacement screen is displayed.

The first expression prompts you for the information to begin the report.

Enter the Beginning Item Criteria

#### Enter 100 for this field

The second expression prompts you for the information to end the report.

Enter the Ending Item Criteria

#### Enter 500 for this field

The Date field expression prompts you for the date criteria.

#### Enter 12011999 for this field

You **MUST** enter something in all the Run Time Replacement prompts in order for General Report Writer to return information on the report. If you leave the fields blank, General Report Writer will look for blank data fields in the files used on the report.

Once all the Run Time Replacement fields have been entered, the Output Selection screen is displayed.

Select the Output device for the report.

Select VDT to print the report to the screen.

**Quantities Report** 

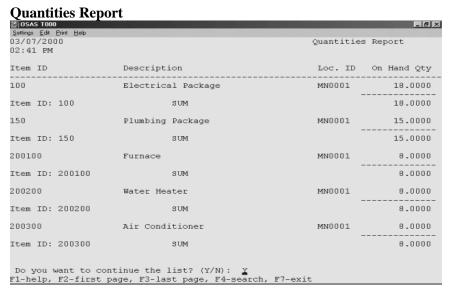
| 03/07/2000<br>02:17 PM | Qua                       | ntities Report |          |         | Page           |
|------------------------|---------------------------|----------------|----------|---------|----------------|
| Item ID                | Description               |                |          |         | Last Pur. Date |
| 100                    | Electrical Package        | MN0001         | 18.0000  | 6.0000  | 12/21/1999     |
| Item ID: 100           | SUM                       |                | 18.0000  | 6.0000  |                |
| 150                    | Plumbing Package          | MN0001         |          | 2.0000  | 12/21/1999     |
| Item ID: 150           | SUM                       |                |          | 2.0000  |                |
| 200100                 | Furnace                   |                | 8.0000   |         | 12/09/1999     |
| Item ID: 200100        | SUM                       | •              | 8.0000   |         |                |
| 200200                 | Water Heater              | MN0001         |          | .0000   | 12/09/1999     |
| Item ID: 200200        | SUM                       | •              | 8.0000   |         |                |
| 200300                 | Air Conditioner           | MN0001         | 8.0000   | .0000   | 12/09/1999     |
| Item ID: 200300        | SUM                       |                |          | .0000   |                |
| 200400                 | Water Softener            |                | 8.0000   |         | 12/09/1999     |
| Item ID: 200400        | SUM                       |                | 8.0000   |         |                |
| 200500                 | Sump Pump                 | MN0001         | 8.0000   | .0000   | 12/09/1999     |
| Item ID: 200500        | SUM                       | •              | 8.0000   | .0000   |                |
| 200600                 | Humidifier                | MN0001         | 8.0000   | .0000   | 12/09/1999     |
| Item ID: 200600        | SUM                       | •              | 8.0000   |         |                |
| 250                    | Exterior Panels           | MN0001         | 242.0000 | 10.0000 | 12/21/1999     |
| Item ID: 250           | SUM                       |                |          | 10.0000 |                |
| 300                    | Interior Door             | MN0001         | 35.0000  | 4.0000  | 12/17/1999     |
| Item ID: 300           | SUM                       | •              | 35.0000  |         |                |
| 350                    | Entry Door                | MN0001         | 5.0000   | 4.0000  | 12/17/1999     |
| Item ID: 350           | SUM                       |                | 5.0000   |         |                |
| 100                    | Interior Materials        | MN0001         |          | .0000   |                |
| Item ID: 400           | SUM                       |                | 16.0000  |         |                |
| 150                    | Slide by Window 24" x 40" | MN0001         | 12.0000  | .0000   | 12/21/1999     |
| tem ID: 450            | SUM                       |                | 12.0000  |         |                |
| 160                    | Slide by Window 30" X 40" | MN0001         |          | .0000   | 12/21/1999     |
| Item ID: 460           | SUM                       |                | 28.0000  |         |                |

**Quantities Report** 

| 3/07/2000<br>2:17 PM |             | Quantities Report |             |               |           | Page 2 |
|----------------------|-------------|-------------------|-------------|---------------|-----------|--------|
| tem ID               | Description | Loc. ID           | On Hand Qty | On Order Qty. | Last Pur. | Date   |
| Report* SUM          |             |                   |             | 26.0000       |           |        |
|                      |             |                   |             |               |           |        |
|                      |             |                   |             |               |           |        |
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**Quantities Report – Recap Page** 

03/07/2000 02:17 PM RECAP PAGE Page 3 Command: LIST INLD TITLE "Quantities Report" WIDTH 132 ON PRINTER TAB 1.1 ITEM\_ID TAB 22.1 INVE@ITEM:DESCRIPTION TAB 58.1 LOCATION\_ID TAB 66.1 TOT AL INQT:ON\_HAND\_QTY TAB 81.1 TOTAL INQT:ON\_ORDER\_QUANTITY TAB 96.1 LAST\_PUR\_DATE SELECT ITEM\_ID>="[[ENTER BEGINNING ITEM]]" AND ITEM\_ID<="[[ENTER ENDING ITEM]]" AND LOCATION\_ID="MN0001" AND LAST\_PUR\_DATE>=[["ENTER DATE","D"]] Start time: 03/07/2000 02:17:05 PM End time: 03/07/2000 02:17:06 PM Records Processed: 204 Records Printed: ENTER BEGINNING ITEM: 100 ENTER ENDING ITEM: 500 ENTER DATE: 2451514 @CID: H



Here is the first screen of the report, which list items 100 through 500, based on the run time replacement criteria.

Only the MN0001 Location prints and only quantities for that location print on the report

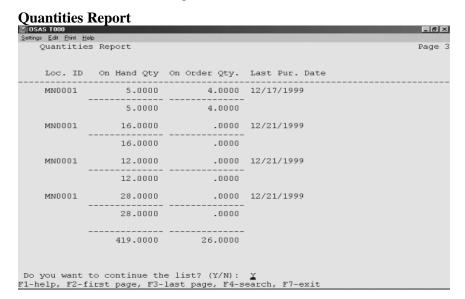
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|------------------|-------------|---------------|----------------|----|
| Quantities       | s Report    |               |                | Pa |
| Loc. ID          | On Hand Qty | On Order Qty. | Last Pur. Date |    |
| MN0001           |             | 6.0000        | 12/21/1999     |    |
| -                |             | 6.0000        |                |    |
| MN0001           | 15.0000     | 2.0000        | 12/21/1999     |    |
|                  | 15.0000     | 2.0000        |                |    |
| MN0001           | 8.0000      | .0000         | 12/09/1999     |    |
| •                | 8.0000      | .0000         |                |    |
| MN0001           | 8.0000      | .0000         | 12/09/1999     |    |
| -                | 8.0000      | .0000         |                |    |
| MN0001           | 8.0000      | .0000         | 12/09/1999     |    |
|                  |             | .0000         |                |    |

If you print to the screen, use the left and right arrows to shift between the left and right sides of the screen.

You can continue the list and see the remaining pages of the report and the recap page, go to the first page, go to the last page, search for a string or exit the report.

**Quantities Report** © OSAS T000 Settings Edit Print Help 03/07/2000 02:41 PM Quantities Report Item ID Description Loc. ID On Hand Qty 350 Entry Door MN0001 5.0000 5.0000 Item ID: 350 SUM 400 16.0000 Interior Materials MN0001 Item ID: 400 SUM 16.0000 450 Slide by Window 24" x 40" MN0001 12.0000 12.0000 Item ID: 450 SUM Slide by Window 30" X 40" MN0001 460 28.0000 SUM Item ID: 460 28.0000 \*Report\* SUM 419.0000 Do you want to continue the list? (Y/N):  $\underline{X}$  F1-help, F2-first page, F3-last page, F4-search, F7-exit

Here is the last screen of the report.



The Recap Page

Exit the Report.

# **APPENDIX**

## **Appendix A - Type Codes**

Type codes are used in General Report Writer's dictionary definitions and calculations to determine the type of data being used, the length of the field, and optional formatting of the field.

Type codes consist of a base type code, then the length code, followed by one or more optional codes. Type codes are separated with commas.

Type codes are entered in Fields in Data Dictionary and when creating Calculated fields on reports.

#### **Base Codes**

There are three valid base codes in General Report Writer, Text, Numeric and Date.

| Base Code | <u>Description</u>   |
|-----------|--|
| T         | Enter T, for Text or alphanumeric fields. These fields can contain letters or numbers. |
| N         | Enter N, for Numeric fields. These fields can contain numbers only.                    |
| D         | Enter D, for Date fields. Date fields are stores as Julian numbers in OSAS.            |

## **Length Code**

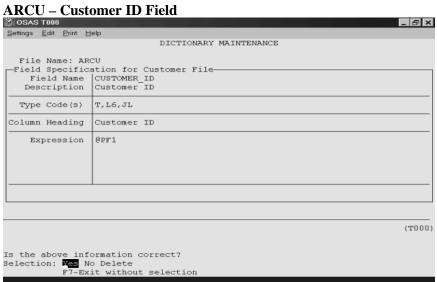
The length code is used to determine the number of characters for the field.

The length code is an  ${\bf L}$  followed by a number, which represents the maximum number of characters the field can hold.

## **Optional codes**

Each base codes supports additional format codes.

#### **Text Fields**



| <b>Option</b> | <u>Description</u>  |
|---------------|---|
| n= a number   | Enter the number of lines the field can occupy. The default is 1. The maximum number is 99. |
| JL            | To left justify the field.  |
| JR            | To right justify the field.   |

Note: OSAS justifies Text fields left so the first letter of each word line up correctly.

#### **Numeric Fields**

#### **ARCU – Current Amount Due Field**

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|---|
|   |
| DICTIONARY MAINTENANCE  |
| U<br>tion for Customer File———————————————————————————————————— |
| N,L14,JR,M1,-   |
| Curr Amt Due  |
| 0PF9  |
| rmation correct? Delete t without selection                     |
|   |

| <b>Option</b>    | <u>Description</u>  |
|------------------|---|
| n=a number       | Enter the decimal precision for the field. The default number is 0 and the maximum number is 9.   |
| M1-M7*           | Used the mask setup on the OSAS Company Information screen, in Resource Manager, to determine the decimal precision.  |
|                  | M1 – Regular Dollars Mask M2 – Inventory Cost Mask M3 – Inventory Price Mask M4 – Inventory Quantities Mask M5 – Rates Mask M6 – Hours Mask M7 – Credit Limits Mask |
| P*               | Enter P to punctuate the number with commas.  |
| -                | Enter – to have a trailing minus sign for negative numbers.   |
| ()               | Enter ( ) to have negative numbers display inside parentheses.  |
| CR               | Enter CR to have negative numbers display with a CR, for credit to the right.   |
| \$ <sup>50</sup> | To display the number in currency format.   |
| Sn               | Scale factor of n, where n represents a number, means GENERAL Report Writer should shift the decimal point automatically by this amount.                            |
| JL               | To left justify the field.  |
| JR               | To right justify the field.   |

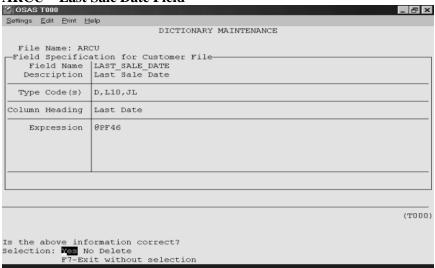
Note: OSAS justifies Numeric fields right so the decimals line up correctly.

<sup>\*</sup> The M1-M7 and P options will not work together.

 $<sup>^{50}</sup>$  The currency decimal precision, set up in Display Formats on the Config menu, determines the decimal precision of the field on the report and will override any other decimal precision selected.

#### **Date Fields**

#### ARCU - Last Sale Date Field



| <b>Option</b> | <u>Description</u>  |
|---------------|---|
| T             | Display with time.  |
|               | Assumes internal date number is minimum precision 4 number, with time stored as a decimal portion of a day. |
| JL            | To left justify the field.  |
| JR            | To right justify the field.   |

Note: OSAS justifies Date fields left so the first letters of each date line up correctly.

## **Appendix B - Run-Time Replacements**

Criteria and/or Linksel can be setup to prompt the user at run time for information to enter to continue running the report. These are called Run-Time Replacements.

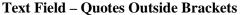
## **Criteria Run-Time Replacements**

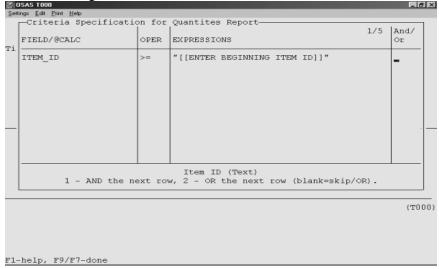
Selecting the fields and the operator for run time replacements is the same as setting up regular criteria. The Expression is where you setup the prompt information.

| <u>Field</u> | <u>Description</u>   |
|--------------|--|
| FIELD/@CALC  | Enter the field you want to use in criteria  |
|              | You can use the list fields function key to select the field.  |
| OPER         | Enter the operator, or how you want to compare the field to the Expression.  |
|              | You can use the list operators function key to select the operator.  |
| Expressions  | Enter the information you want to use to limit the field.  |
|              | Run Time Replacements always begin with two square brackets ([[) and end with two square brackets (]]). Between the sets of brackets, enter the prompt you want to appear on the screen. |
|              | Exp: [[Enter Expression you want to appear on the screen]]   |
| And/Or       | You can select multiple fields to use in criteria and as run time replacements.  |

The three different field types are setup a little differently

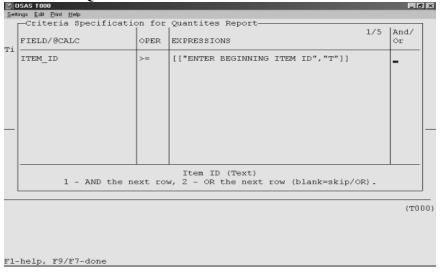
#### **Text Fields**





Criteria for Text fields require quotes around the Expression. You can enter the expression without quotes around the brackets and General Report Writer will by default place quotes around the brackets. You can also manually enter the quotes.

**Text Field – Quotes Inside Brackets** 

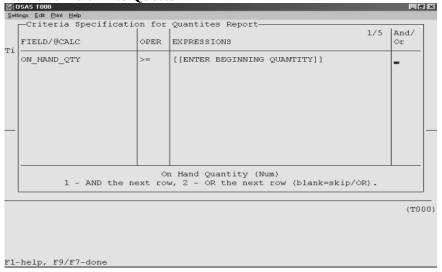


You can also place the quotes inside the brackets around the Expression. If the quotes are placed inside the brackets, you must tell General Report Writer what type of field you are using in criteria. This is done by place a comma after your phrase and a capital **T** within quotes, before the ending brackets are entered.

Example:[["Enter Item ID","T"]]

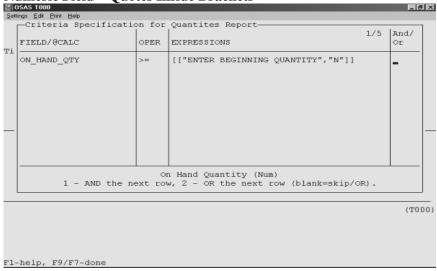
#### **Numeric Fields**

Numeric Field - No Quotes



Criteria for numeric fields do not require quotes around the brackets. For Numeric fields, General does not use quotes on the outside of the brackets. You do not want to add quotes.

Numeric Field – Quotes Inside Brackets

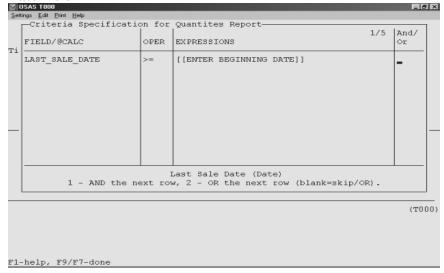


If the quotes are placed inside the brackets place a capital N within quotes, before the ending brackets are entered.

Example:[["Enter Quantity","N"]]

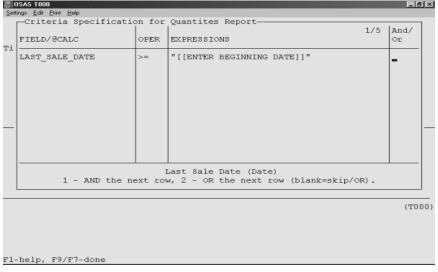
#### **Date Field**

#### **Date Field**



For an Expression on a date field GENERAL Report Writer does not place surrounding quotes around the outside of the brackets, however if the Expression is used this way on a date field you must know the Julian number for the date. If you enter the date in a regular date format, such as MM/DD/YYYY, you will get an error message telling you the date entered is not in the dictionary.





If you manually place quotes around the outside of the brackets, you will not need the Julian number for the date and you can enter a date in regular date format without any errors. <sup>51</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>51</sup> This will only work with version 6.0 and higher. If you are on version 5.1x or 5.2x of General Report Writer you must setup the field with quotes on the inside of the brackets and specify D for the field type.

If the quotes are placed inside the brackets place a capital D within quotes, before the ending brackets are entered.  $^{52}$ 

Example:[["Enter Date","D"]]

F1-help, F9/F7-done

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 $<sup>^{52}</sup>$  If you are on version 5.1x or 5.2x of General Report Writer, you must enter run time replacements for date fields this way.

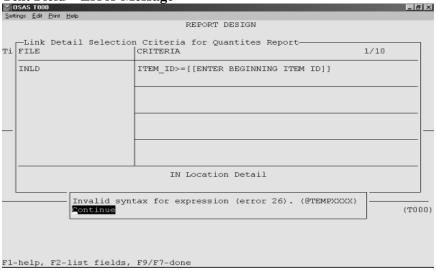
### **Linksel Run-Time Replacements**

Creating Run-Time replacements in Linksel is slightly different than in Criteria, but has the same principle. The file used is entered first. The Field Name, Operator and Expression are all entered in the Criteria box. The Field Name and Operator are entered the same as Criteria. The Expression is not as intuitive in Linksel as it is in Criteria and requires more user intervention.

For a Text field enter the Field Name, then the Operator, but when entering the Expression **you** must put the surrounding quotes around the outside of the brackets.

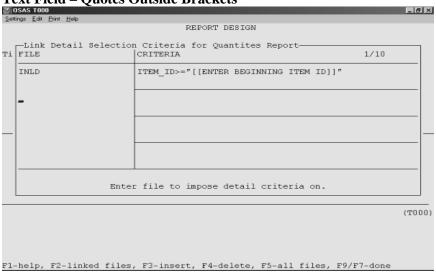
#### **Text Fields**





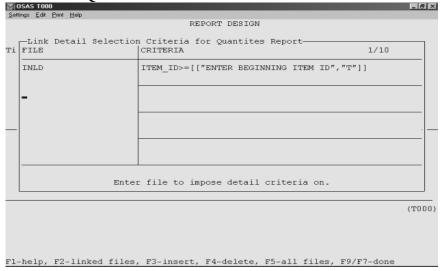
You will get an error message, when you try to leave the criteria box, if the quotes are not used.

Text Field - Quotes Outside Brackets



Example: ITEM\_ID>="[[ENTER BEGINNING ITEM ID]]"

**Text Field – Quotes Inside Brackets** 



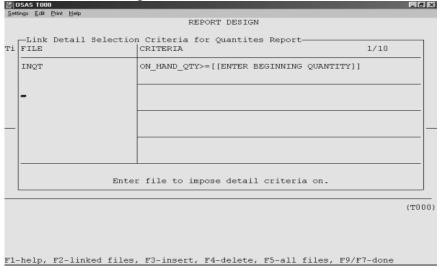
If quotes are used inside the brackets, the expression is entered the same as criteria, by place a comma after your phrase and a capital **T** within quotes, before the ending brackets are entered.

Example:

ITEM\_ID>=[["ENTER BEGINNING ITEM ID","T"]]

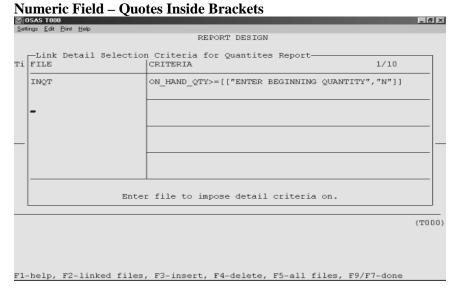
#### **Numeric Fields**

Numeric Field - No Quotes



For a numeric field surrounding quotes are not required.

Example: ON\_HAND\_QTY>=[[ENTER BEGINNING QUANTITY ID]]

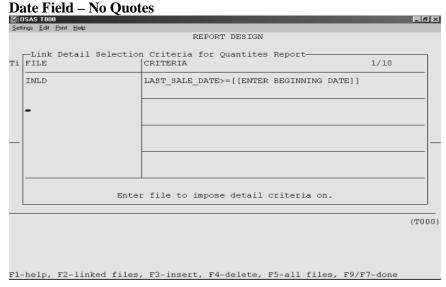


If quotes are used inside the brackets, the expression is entered the same as criteria, by place a comma after your phrase and a capital **N** within quotes, before the ending brackets are entered.

#### Example:

#### ON\_HAND\_QTY>=["[ENTER BEGINNING QUANTITY","N"]]

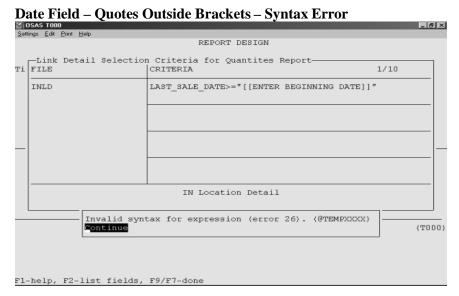
#### **Date Fields**



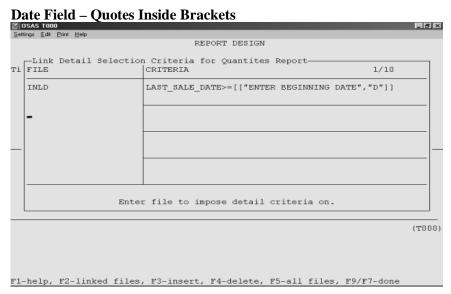
For a date field surrounding quotes are not required either, but you must know the Julian number for the date.

#### Example:

#### LAST\_SALE\_DATE>=[[ENTER BEGINNING DATE]]



In Linksel, with Date fields, if quotes are used on the outside of the brackets you will get a syntax error.



In Linksel, Date fields must be setup with quotes on the inside of the brackets for the run time replacement to work properly.

If quotes are used inside the brackets, the expression is entered the same as criteria, by place a comma after your phrase and a capital **D** within quotes, before the ending brackets are entered.

Example: LAST\_SALE\_DATE>=[["ENTER BEGINNING DATE","D"]]

# **Appendix C - Function Table**

| Internal Variable | <b>Type</b> | <u>Description</u>   |
|-------------------|-------------|--|
| @BREAKn           | Text        | The current value of a break point, where n represents the break point level number.   |
| @CID              | Text        | The ID of the current company.   |
| @CNAME            | Text        | The name of the current company  |
| @DATE             | Date        | The current date in Julian format.   |
| @DAY              | Text        | The current date in MM/DD/YY format.   |
| @DTM              | Date        | The current date and time in Julian format.  |
| @FILECHAIN        | Number      | The current file chain number. File chains are sequential disk files, delimited by semi-colons, in the dictionary.                               |
| @FLD              | Varies      | The current field.   |
| @Key              | Text        | The key of the current record.   |
| @PFn              | Text        | Physical field number n. Equates to an IOLIST position, or in the case of a delimited ASCII file, the field in the record based on the delimiter |
| @PI               | Number      | 3.14159265358979   |
| @REC              | Text        | The complete record read from the file (READRECORD).   |
| @TEMPname         | Number      | A temporary numeric variable   |
| @TEMPname\$       | Text        | A temporary text variable.   |
| @TTY              | Text        | The operating system tty device for the terminal   |
| @USER             | Text        | The operating system login name.   |
| @VDT              | Text        | The Business Basic terminal name (FID(0))  |
| @YMD              | Text        | The system date in YYMMDD format.  |

| <b>Function</b>           | Type   | Description  |
|---------------------------|--------|--|
| &function(arg-1,arg-2,)   | Number | A user defined numeric function. User defined functions are defined through the system configuration   |
| &function\$(arg-1,arg-2,) | Text   | A user defined text function.  |
| ADPRDB(c,s,l,p,r)         | Number | Calculates accumulated depreciation through period p, using the declining balance method. The calculation is based on cost c, salvage value s, life l, and an optional rate r. The default rate is 2 unless specified.   |
| ADPRSL(c,s,l.p)           | Number | Calculates accumulated depreciation through period p, using the straight-line method. The calculation is based on cost c, salvage s, and life l.   |
| ADPRSY(c,s,l.p)           | Number | Calculates accumulated depreciation through period p, using the sum-of-years-digit method, using cost c, salvage s, and life 1.  |
| AGE(x,y)                  | Number | The age in days from date x to date y.   |
| AGED(x,y))                |        |  |
| AGEHR(x,y)                | Number | The age in hours from date/time x to date/time y.  |
| AGEM(x,y)                 | Number | The age in months from date x to date y.   |
| AGEMN(x,y)                | Number | The age in minutes from date/time x to date/time y.  |
| AGEY(x,y)                 | Number | The age in years from date x to date y.  |
| AREF("f",k,exp)           | Number | The average of the numeric expression exp across a series of records in target file f (defined in the General dictionary or supported external dictionary), using key expression k.  The key expression defines the first portion of the   |
|                           |        | key to the target file. If the target file is specified with a sort name (filename@sortname) then the sort specified is used when accessing the range of records indicated by the key expression.  |
| AVG(x,y,, z)              | Number | Average of all numbers specified.  |
| BLOCK(txt,size)           | Text   | Blocks the text stream txt, into word-wrapped lines of the size specified.   |
| CDATE(txt,"map")          | Date   | Converts the text string txt into a date, using the format specified by map. The map contains text and place specifies: DD, DDD, MM, MMM, YY, and, YYYY. A date of "03/15/99" would be mapped to "MM/DD/YY". Optionally, the map strings MDY and YDM specify variable length, delimited dates. The date "3-1-99" would be converted to March 1, 1999 by a map of "MDY" |

| <b>Function</b>  | <b>Type</b> | <u>Description</u>  |
|------------------|-------------|---|
| CNT(x,y,,z)      | Number      | Count of all the elements specified.  |
| CNUM(txt,x)      | Number      | Converts text string txt to a number, ignoring any punctuation, such as currency formatting or thousands separators. If the decimal character x is specified, then that character, rather than a period (.) is used to denote the decimal point.      |
| CONTAINS(x,y)    | True/False  | True if text string x is contained in text string y; false if not.  |
| CREF("f",k,exp)  | Number      | The count of the number of related records in target file f (defined in the General dictionary or a supported external dictionary), using key expression k.   |
|                  |             | The key expression defines the first portion of the key to the target file. If the target file is specified with a sort name (filename@sortname) then the sort specified is used when accessing the range of records indicated by the key expression. |
|                  |             | The expression exp may be any valid data expression.  |
| DAY(x)           | Text        | The text formatted date of the date value x. The format used is defined in the system configuration, and defaults to MM/DD/YYYY.  |
| DAYTM(x)         | Text        | The text formatted of the date/time value x. The format used is defined in the system configuration, and defaults to MM/DD/YYYY.  |
| DD(d)            | Text        | The 2-digit day portion of date d.  |
| DDD(d)           | Text        | The abbreviated day name of date d. Mon, Tue Wed, ect.  |
| DEL(x,y,z)       | Text        | The modified version of text value x, where the characters beginning with character number y, for a length of z, is deleted from the string.  |
| DIVIDE(x,y)      | Number      | The result of dividing number x by number y, or 0 if either x or y is 0.  |
| DPRDB(c,s,l,p,r) | Number      | Calculates depreciation through period p, using the declining balance method. The calculation is based on cost c, salvage value s, life l, and an optional rate r. The default rate is 2 unless specified.  |
| DPRSL(c,s,l.p)   | Number      | Calculates depreciation through period p, using the straight-line method. The calculation is based on cost c, salvage s, and life l.  |
| DPRSY(c,s,l.p)   | Number      | Calculates depreciation through period p, using the sum-of-years-digit method, using cost c, salvage s, and life 1.   |

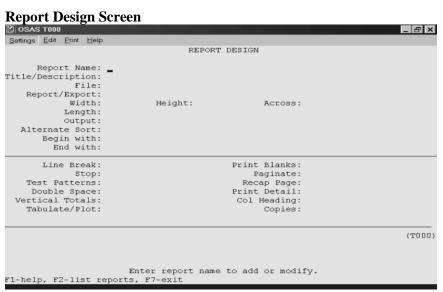
| <b>Function</b>   | Type       | Description  |
|---|------------|--|
| DT(x)   | Date       | The internal date format for the text x. x must be in the date entry format as defined by the system configuration, normally "MMDDYYYY". This function is useful to compare an entered date with a fixed date. The year portion of the text may be in 0, 2, or 4-digit format. |
| DTM   | Date       | The internal date and time for the text x. x must be in date and time entry format, normally MMDDYYYY HHMM. This function is useful to compare an entered date and time with a fixed date and time.  |
| EXPAND(x,y,z)   | Text       | Looks for the occurrences of the text string x in the list of values in y, and returns the corresponding element in the list of values in z. If the value of x is not found in y, then the function returns null.  |
| FV(x,y,z)   | Number     | The future value of a string of payments, assuming x is the payment amount, y is the interest rate per period, and z is the number of periods.   |
|   |            | The interest rate should be expressed as a fraction: .07 for 7%, and may need to be adjusted to match the rate per period; .07/12 for monthly rate at 7% annual rate.  |
| GAVG(x,y)<br>GCNT(x,y)<br>GMAX(x,y)<br>GMIN(x,y)<br>GSUM(x,y) | Number     | The group average, count, maximum, minimum, or sum value of field x, at break level y. Break levels are determined by the order of the break fields entered in the report.   |
| IFF(x,y,z)  | Text       | Test the condition specified by a relational expression x, and if true, returns text y, else returns text z.   |
| ISNOTNUM(x)   | True/False | True if text is NOT a valid number (suitable for processing by the NUM() function.   |
| ISNUM(x)  | True/False | True if the text value x IS a valid number.  |
| LEFT(x,y)   | Text       | The leftmost y characters of text value x. If x is less then y characters in length, the value is padded to y characters.  |
| LENGTH(x)   | Number     | The length of text string x, after leading and trailing spaces are removed.  |
| LOWER(x)  | Text       | The text string x, with all the letters in lower case.   |
| MATCH(x,y)  | True/False | True if text string x matches the regular expression in string y. This function only works in environments that support regular expressions.   |
| MID(x,y,z)  | Text       | The middle z characters of text string x, starting at position y. If there are not enough characters in x to satisfy the length, the value is padded with spaces.  |

| <b>Function</b>                         | <u>Type</u> | <b>Description</b>  |
|---|-------------|---|
| MM(d)                                   | Text        | The 2-digit month number of date d.   |
| MMM(d)                                  | Text        | The abbreviated month name of date d. Jan, Feb, ect.  |
| MREF("f",k,exp)                         | Text        | The values of the expression exp across a series of records in target file f (defined in the General dictionary or supported external dictionary), using key expression k.  |
|   |             | The key expression defines the first portion of the key to the target file. If the target file is specified with a sort name (filename@sortname) then the sort specified is used when accessing the range of records indicated by the key expression. |
| PMT(x,y,z)                              | Number      | The payment amount of an amortization of principal x, at interest rate y, paid over z periods.  |
|   |             | The interest rate should be expressed as a fraction: .07 for 7%, and may need to be adjusted to match the rate per period; .07/12 for monthly rate at 7% annual rate.   |
| PROPER(x)                               | Text        | The text string x, after capitalizing the first letter after spaces and punctuation.  |
| PV(x,y,z)                               | Number      | The present value of a series of payments, where x is the payment amount, y is the interest per period, and z is the number of periods.   |
|   |             | The interest rate should be expressed as a fraction: .07 for 7%, and may need to be adjusted to match the rate per period; .07/12 for monthly rate at 7% annual rate.   |
| RATE(x,y,z)                             | Number      | The interest rate required to fully amortize future value x and present value y over z periods.   |
| RAVG(x) RCNT(x) RMAX(x) RMIN(x) RSUM(x) | Number      | The report average, count, maximum, minimum, or sum value of field x.   |
| RIGHT(x,y)                              | Text        | The rightmost y characters of text string x. If x is not long enough, the values is left padded to y characters.  |
| ROUND(x,y)                              | Number      | The number x, rounded to y decimal places.  |
| STD(x,y,z)                              | Number      | The standard deviation of the stream of numbers xz.   |
| SUBT(x,y,z)                             | Text        | The text string x, after substituting all occurrences of text string y with text string z.  |
| SUM(x,y,,z)                             | Number      | The sum of all numbers xz.  |
| SYSVAR("x")                             | Text        | The value of the operating system environment variable x, or null if not found.   |

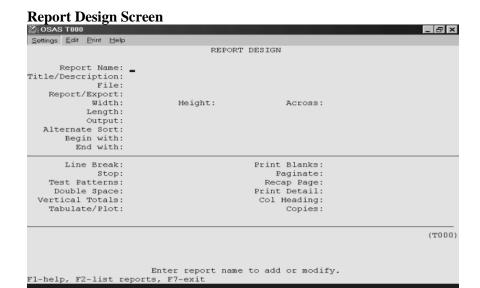
| <u>Function</u> | <b>Type</b> | <u>Description</u>  |
|-----------------|-------------|---|
| TERM(x,y,z)     | Number      | The number of payments required to amortize future value y and present value z, at interest rate x.  Interest should be expressed as a fraction .07=7%.   |
| TIME(d)         | Text        | The time portion of date/time value d.  |
| TREF("f",k,exp) | Number      | The total of the numeric expression exp across a series of records in target file f (defined in the General dictionary or supported external dictionary), using key expression k.   |
|                 |             | The key expression defines the first portion of the key to the target file. If the target file is specified with a sort name (filename@sortname) then the sort specified is used when accessing the range of records indicated by the key expression. |
| TRIM(x)         | Text        | The text value x, after leading and trailing spaces are removed.  |
| UPPER           | Text        | The text string x, after converting all letters to upper case.  |
| VAR(x,y,,z)     | Number      | The statistical variance of the stream of numbers xz.   |
| XREF("f',k,exp) | Text        | The values of the expression exp across the record in target file f (defined in the General dictionary or supported external dictionary), using key expression k.   |
|                 |             | The key expression defines the first portion of the key to the target file  |
| YY(d)           | Text        | The 2-digit year portion of date d.   |
| YYYY(d)         | Text        | The 4-digit year portion of date d>   |

## Appendix D - Report Design Screen

Prompt mode reports are created, edited and executed from the Report Design screen.



| <b>Field</b>      | <u>Description</u>  |  |
|-------------------|---|--|
| Report Name       | Enter the name of the report. This is name General Report Writer uses to recognize the report and not the name that prints on the heading of the report.                |  |
|                   | The name can be 1-20 characters long and cannot contain spaces, dashes, or symbols. Letters, numbers, periods and underscores are allowed.                              |  |
|                   | If the name entered is not found, General Report Writer will ask if it is a new report definition, and offer an option to copy the definition from and existing report. |  |
|                   | You can use the list reports function key to select an existing report.   |  |
| Title/Description | Enter the description or title for this report. This name prints on the report heading.   |  |
|                   | The title/description can be 1-40 characters long.  |  |
| File              | Enter the central or primary file for the report. The file selected will control the fields, links, sorts, and criteria for the report.                                 |  |
|                   | You can use the list files function key to select the file. Wildcard of * is also available.  |  |
|                   | Example: AR* will list all the Accounts Receivable files.   |  |



#### **Field Description**

Report/Export Enter the format of the report.

1 if this is a report with columnar formatting.

2 for a comma delimited ASCII file export.

3 for a fixed position delimited ASCII file export.

4 for a Data Interchange Format (DIF) export.

5 for a WordPerfect merge format export.

6 Gateway does not work with OSAS software.

Width Enter the number of columns across the report. The default is 132.

> The width of the report is compared to the standard and compressed columns setup for the printers in OSAS. If the printer's width is less than the width of the report, that

printer will not be available for you to print to when printing that report.

Height Enter the maximum number of lines each record can occupy on the report.

> If this field is left blank or 0 General Report Writer will base the number of lines printed, on the report, by the data.

Across Enter the number of records to print across the page per line. The default is 1.

Length Enter the number of lines to print per page. The default is 66.

Output Enter the standard output device for this report.

> Printer gives you the option to select the printers setup in OSAS based on the width of the report and the compressed columns of the printers. You can also print to a file or to the screen.

**File** will prompt for a path and file name for the output.

**Blank** or **VDT** will always print to the screen.

Report Design Screen Settings Edit Print Help REPORT DESIGN Report Name: \_ Title/Description: Report/Export: Width: Height: Across: Length: Output: Alternate Sort: Begin with: End with: Line Break: Print Blanks: Paginate: Test Patterns: Recap Page: Print Detail: Double Space: Vertical Totals: Tabulate/Plot: Col Heading: Copies: (T000) Enter report name to add or modify. F1-help, F2-list reports, F7-exit

### <u>Field</u> <u>Description</u>

Alternate Sort Select any of the Altsorts or Altkeys, if any, setup in Dictionary for the file. The

report will then be sorted by an alternate key to the file. If no sort is selected the

report will sort by the primary key to the file

You can use the list alternate sorts key to select the sort.

Begin with By default, General Report Writer starts searching for data for the report with the

first record in the file. To start processing the report with a certain record, instead of the first record in the file, enter a starting point. This is based on the primary sort of the file or the alternate sort if one is selected. The report starts processing

at the first record matching or after this entry.

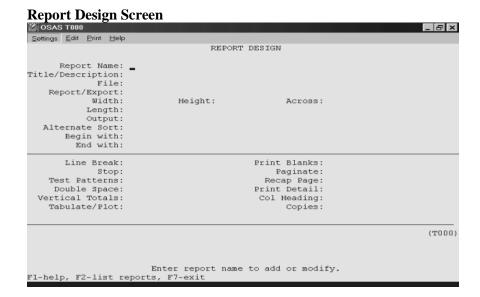
If left blank the report will process from the beginning of the file.

End with By default, General Report Writer ends searching for data for the report with the

last record in the file. To end processing the report with a certain record, instead of the last record in the file, enter an ending point. This is based on the primary sort of the file or the alternate sort if one is selected. The report ends processing at

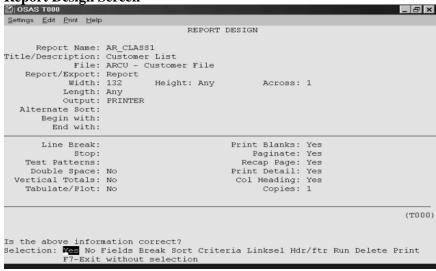
the first record matching or after this entry.

If left blank the report will process to the end of the file.



| <u>Field</u>    | <u>Description</u>   |
|-----------------|--|
| Line Break      | To generate a blank line every $n$ lines, enter the number, from 2 to 99.  |
|                 | Blank will print a continuous report.  |
| Stop            | To stop the report after a certain number of records, enter a number, from 1 to 9999.  |
|                 | Blank will print a full report.  |
| Test Patterns   | Enter the number records to use to print a text pattern before the actual data is printed. You can select up to 99 records to use as test patterns.  |
|                 | Test records are printed with *. After the test pattern prints you are given the option to reprint the test pattern, print the report, or exit.  |
| Double Space    | Select 1-No, for single spacing, 2-Yes, for double spacing.  |
| Vertical Totals | Will force any footer to format totals in a vertical, table format. 1-No, 2-Yes.   |
| Tabulate/Plot   | Prints a cross tabulation or summary report rather than the normal columnar report. Cross-tabulation reports create a summary table display based on one or two break points, and column calculations. You must have at least on break point and one column calculation to use this option. 1-No, 2-Yes. |
| Print Blanks    | 1-No, to suppress printing any blank lines, 2-Yes to print all lines specified on the report even if they contain no data.   |
| Paginate        | Controls whether or not page headers are printed. 1-No, will print just the data, 2-Yes will print a header at the beginning of the report and a footer at the end.  |
| Recap Page      | The recap page is a list mode summary instruction of the report. 1-No, will suppress the recap page, 2-Yes will print it.  |
| Print Detail    | 1-No, will print only subtotals on the report, 2-Yes will print the full report.   |
| Col Heading     | 1-No, will only print the title on the heading, 2-Yes will print column headings.  |
|                 | If the report heading is customized this option has no effect.   |
| Copies          | You can print 1 to 9 copies of the same report, without regenerating the report each time.   |

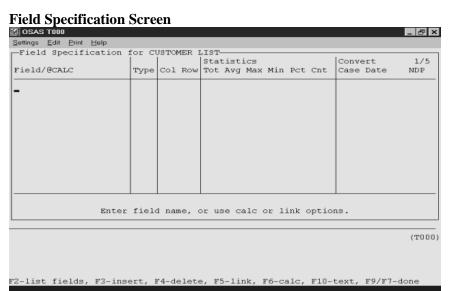
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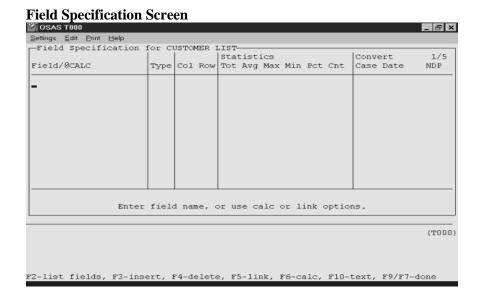
| Command  | Action   |
|----------|--|
| Fields   | Select the data fields for the report. Fields can come from the primary file, and can be calculated fields, text fields, or linked fields.   |
| Break    | Select up to 9 fields to generate subtotals. These subtotal fields are called break points. Any field in the primary file can be used, as well as any calculated or linked fields on the report.   |
| Sort     | Select up to 9 fields to sort the printed data on the report. Any field in the primary file can be used, as well as any calculated or linked fields on the report. Sorts here are used as and alternate to the primary key.  |
| Criteria | Select how you want to limit the information printed on the report. You can select up to 60 fields to filter the information with, using And/Or to connect the expressions. Criteria can be based on any field in the primary file, any calculated fields or one-to-one linked fields. |
| Linksel  | Link select criteria for one-to-many linked fields   |
| Hdr/ftr  | Customize the headers and footers for the report. Both the report and break levels headers and footers are supported.  |
| Run      | Select this option to compile and execute the report.  |
| Delete   | Select this option to delete the report.   |
| Print    | Select this option to print a hard copy of the report instructions, how the report is created. Linksel information is not printed with this function.  |

# Appendix E – Field Specification Screen

Fields for Prompt mode reports are selected, created and edited from the Field Specification screen..



| <u>Column</u> | <u>Description</u>  |  |
|---------------|---|--|
| Field/@CALC   | Select the fields you want on the report.   |  |
|               | Use the list fields function to select the fields from the primary file.  |  |
|               | Use the insert function to insert a blank line on the report.   |  |
|               | Use the delete function to delete a field from the report.  |  |
|               | Use the link function to create a link field on the report. The link field will have @LINK in front of the link name you enter. The link between the files must be established in Dictionary, before you can create the link on the report. |  |
|               | Use the calc function to create a calculated field on the report.   |  |
|               | Use the text function to create a text field on the report.   |  |
|               | Use the done function to display the Verification prompt and exit Fields Specification.   |  |
| Type          | Displays the field type and number of columns the field will use on the report.   |  |
|               | This information cannot be changed on the Field Specification screen.   |  |
| Col Row       | The column and row in which the field will print. General Report Writer will default the column and row. You can edit these fields if desired.  |  |



### **Column Description**

Statistics Select how you want to create report totals and subtotals for the fields.

Tot\* Calculates a total for the field and is displayed the amount as a report total and a subtotal for any break points.

The Tot option is only available for numeric fields.

Avg\* Calculates an average amount for the field and is displayed the amount as a report total and a subtotal for any break points

The Avg option is only available for numeric fields.

Max Displays the largest number or date, for the field, as a report total and a subtotal for any break points.

The Max option is available for numeric and date fields.

Min Displays the smallest number or date for the field as a report total and a subtotal for any break points.

The Min option is available for numeric and date fields.

Pct\* Calculates a percentage of the field for each line on the report compared to the report total.

The Pct option is only available for numeric fields.

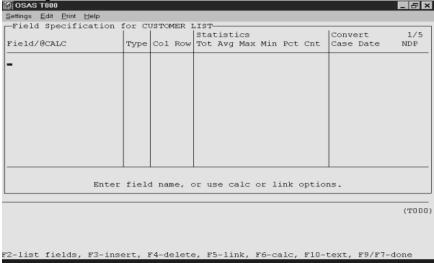
Cnt Counts the number of records in the field and is displayed the number as a report total and a subtotal for any break points.

The Cnt option is available for all fields

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<sup>\*</sup> You cannot use the Tot or Avg options with the Pct option

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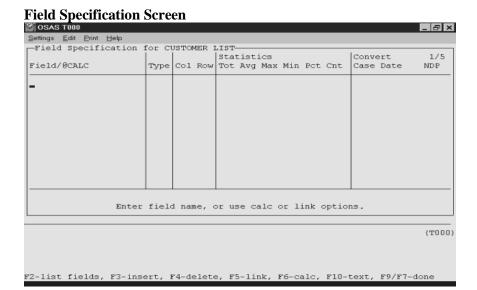
### **Column Description**

Convert

Select how you want the field to display on the report. This column is only available for text and date fields

#### Case

| 1 – No Conversion | Displays the text as it appears on your system.   |
|-------------------|---|
| 2 – Upper         | Converts all characters to upper case.  |
| 3 – Lower         | Converts all characters to lower case   |
| 4 – Proper        | Looks for spaces and punctuation, and capitalizes the next subsequent letter. All other letters are forced to lower case. |
| Date              |   |
| 0 –Full Date      | Displays the full date based on the Date display format selected in Display formats on the Config menu.                   |
| 1-MMMYYYY         | Displays a 3-character month and 4-digit year for the date.   |
| 2-MMYYYY          | Displays a 2-digit month and 4-digit year for the date.   |
| 3 - MMYY          | Displays a 2-digit month and 2-digit year for the date.   |
| 4- MMMYYYY        | Displays a 3-character month and 2-digit year for the date.   |
| 5 <b>-</b> YYYY   | Displays a 4-digit year for the date.   |
| 6 - YYYYMM        | Displays a 4-digit year and 2-digit month for the date.   |
| 7 - YYMM          | Displays a 2-digit year and 2-digit month for the date.   |



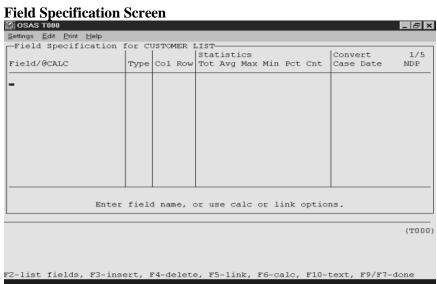
### **Column Description**

Convert Select how you want the field to display on the report. This column is only available for text and date fields

NDP No Duplicate Print

1 Displays all values even if the information for the field is repeated.

2 Suppresses any duplicate values printed for this field.



| <b>Command</b> | <u>Description</u>   |
|----------------|--|
| List Fields    | Select the function key listed to list the fields for the primary file.                          |
| Insert         | Select the function key listed to insert a blank line.   |
| Delete         | Select the function key listed to delete a field from the report.                                |
| Link           | Select the function key listed to create a linked field on the report.                           |
| Calc           | Select the function key listed to create a calculated field on the report.                       |
| Text           | Select the function key listed to create a text field on the report.                             |
| Done           | Select the function keys listed to display the Verification prompt and exit Field Specification. |

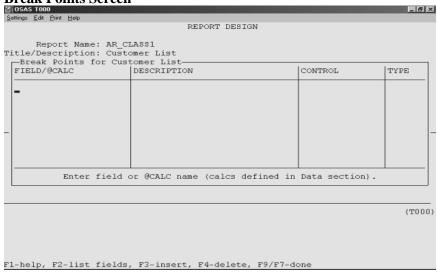
# Appendix F - Break Points Screen

Break points tell General Report writer how to group data on a report for subtotal calculations.

A break point can be based on any field in the primary file, any calculated field or linked field on the report.

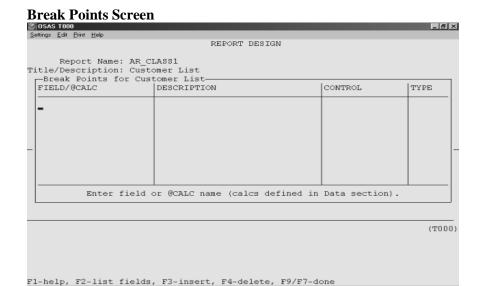
Break points can be line breaks or page breaks.

### **Break Points Screen**



| <u>Field</u> | <u>Description</u>   |
|--------------|--|
| FIELD/@CALC  | Select the field you want to use as a break point.   |
|              | You can use the list fields function to select the field.                                      |
|              | You can select any field from the primary file, any linked or calculated fields on the report. |
|              | You can select up to 9 break point fields.   |
| Description  | Displays the description of the field selected.  |

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### Field Description

Control

Determines if the break point will be on the full field value or part of the field. The field type determines how Control is displayed the values.

If this field is left blank, the break point will be on the full field.

Text Fields

Enter the number of characters to break on. Starting with the left most character, General Report Writer will select the number entered here and create a break point.

Example: If the break point field was Customer ID and the Control field was 3, General Report Writer would create a break point based on the first 3 characters of the Customer ID. So if the Customer ID was ACE001, General Report writer would create a break point of ACE\*.

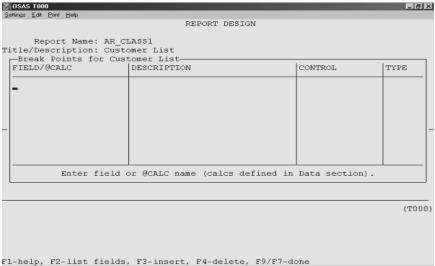
Numeric Fields

By default, General Report Writer creates a break on each number. Control allows you to group numeric values together in even emounts

in even amounts.

Example: Entering 5000 in Control would group all values 0-4999 as 0, 5000-9999 as 5000, 10000-14999 as 10000, and so on.

#### **Break Points Screen**



#### **Field Description**

Control

Determines if the break point will be on the full field value or part of the field. The field type determines how Control is displayed the values.

If this field is left blank, the break point will be on the full field.

Date Fields

By default General Report Writer will break when the date changes, however you can adjust the field to break by a month or year, and specify the format for the break value.

MMMYYYY Creates a break point using a 3-character month

and 4-digit year.

Example: Jan/2000

MMYYYY Creates a break point using a 2-digit month and 4-

digit year.

Example: 01/2000

MMYY Creates a break point using a 2-digit month and 2-

digit year.

Example: 01/00

MMMYY Creates a break point using a 3-character month

and 2-digit year.

Example: Jan/00

YYYY Creates a break point using a 4-digit year.

Example: 2000

YYYYMM Creates a break point using a 4-digit year and 2-

digit month.

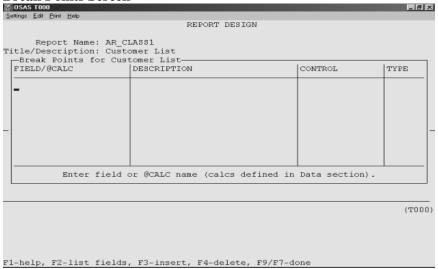
Example: 2000/01

YYMM Creates a break point using a 2 digit year and 2

digit month

Example: 00/01



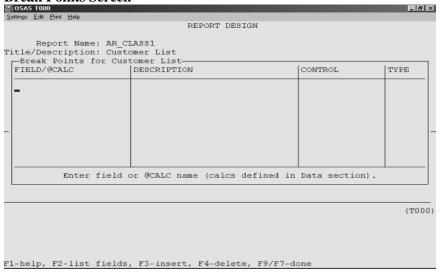


### Field Description

Type Select the type of break point you are creating.

- 1 For a line break
- 2 For a page break

**Break Points Screen** 



| <b>Command</b> | <u>Description</u>  |
|----------------|---|
| Help           | Select the function key listed to display help for the field or function you are using.   |
| List Fields    | Select the function key listed to display the list of available fields.                   |
| Insert         | Select the function key listed to insert a blank line.                                    |
| Delete         | Select the function key listed to delete a field from break points.                       |
| Done           | Select the function keys listed to display the Verification prompt and exit Break Points. |

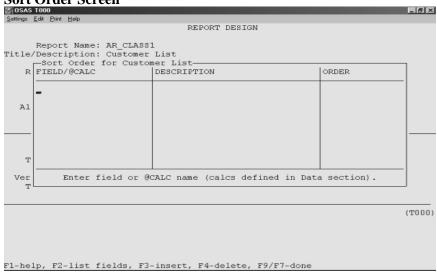
### Appendix G – Sort Order Screen

Sorts determine the order the data prints in and the hierarchal order of the report.

If multiple sorts fields are selected, the second level sorts within the first, the third within the second, and so on.

Each level can be sorted in ascending or descending order.

### **Sort Order Screen**



| escription |
|------------|
|            |

Order

FIELD/@CALC Select the field you want to sort by.

You can use the list fields function to select the field.

You can select any field from the primary file, any linked or calculated fields on the report.

You can select up to 9 sort fields.

Description Displays the description of the field selected.

Select the order you want the fields to print in.

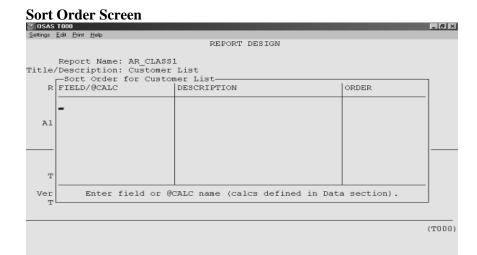
1 Ascending Order

Sorts A-Z, 0-9, lowest to highest.

2 Descending Order

Sorts Z-A, 9-0, highest to lowest.

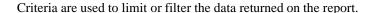
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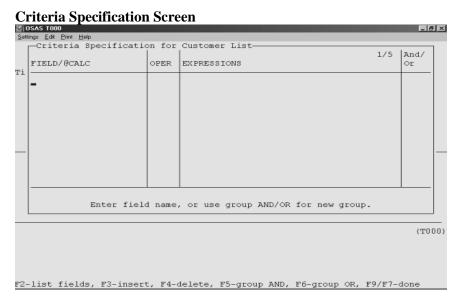


F1-help, F2-list fields, F3-insert, F4-delete, F9/F7-done

| <b>Command</b> | <u>Description</u>  |
|----------------|---|
| Help           | Select the function key listed to display help for the field or function you are using. |
| List Fields    | Select the function key listed to display the list of available fields.                 |
| Insert         | Select the function key listed to insert a blank line.                                  |
| Delete         | Select the function key listed to delete a field from sorts.                            |
| Done           | Select the function keys listed to display the Verification prompt and exit Sort Order. |

# Appendix H – Criteria Specification Screen





### <u>Field</u> <u>Description</u>

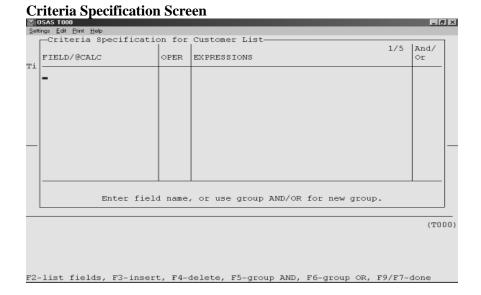
Field/@Calc

Select the field you want to use in criteria

You can use any field in the central file, any calculated field, as long as the calculation does not contain any one to many linked fields, AND any link field, as long as the link is a one-to-one link.

Use the list fields function to select the fields.

You can select up to 60 fields to use in criteria.



### <u>Field</u> <u>Description</u>

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Select the operators to specify how the Field/@Calc is compared to the Expression.

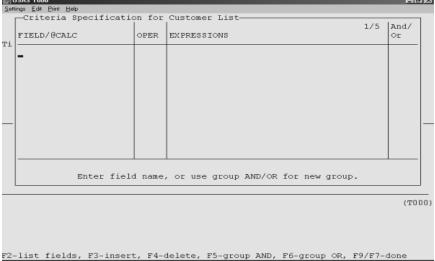
All fields have the following available operators.

- Equal to
- > Greater than
- >= Greater than or equal to
- < Less than
- <= Less than or equal to
- <> Not equal to

Text fields have four additional operators.

- == Contains
- -= Does not contain
- += Starts with (starting at position 1)
- ~= Matches expression (approximately equal to)

**Criteria Specification Screen** Criteria Specification for



#### **Field Description**

Expression Enter the phrase you want to compare against the Field.

> The Expression can be a field from the central file, use the list fields function to select the file.

The Expression can be a constant, by typing the comparison phrase. The Expression can be a runtime replacement, which will allow you to enter the comparison phrase at the time the report is generated.

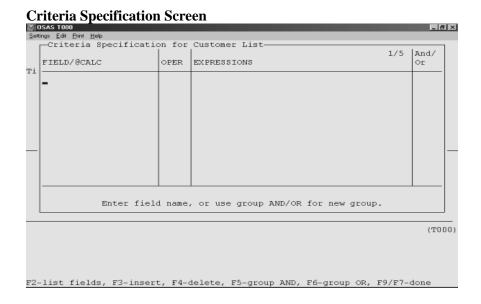
The expression must compare the same data type as the Field/@Calc data type.

Example: Numeric fields must be compared with a numeric expression, text fields with a text expression, and date fields with a date expression.

And/Or Determines how multiple criteria statements are connected.

AND means the criteria must match this line and the next line.

OR means the criteria must match this line or the next line.

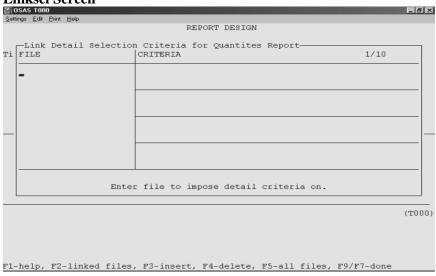


| <b>Command</b> | <u>Description</u>  |
|----------------|---|
| List fields    | Use the function key listed to select the fields for the Field/@Calc or Expression fields.  |
| List operators | Use the function key listed to select the comparison operator for the criteria.   |
| Insert         | Use the function key listed to insert a blank line.   |
| Delete         | Use the function key listed to remove a line of criteria.   |
| Group AND      | Use the function key listed to add group or multilevel comparison.  |
|                | General Report Writer will compare all the criteria in all groups.  |
|                | The data returned on the report must match all criteria in all groups connected with a Group AND.                                     |
| Group OR       | Use the function key listed to add group or multilevel comparison.  |
|                | General Report Writer will compare all the criteria in all groups.  |
|                | The data returned on the report must match all criteria in one group or all criteria in the next group when connected with a Group OR |
| Done           | Use the function key listed to display the Verification prompt and exit Criteria Specification.                                       |
|                |   |

# Appendix I – Linksel Screen

Use the Linksel screen to impose criteria on any one-to-many linked fields.

### **Linksel Screen**



### Field Description

File

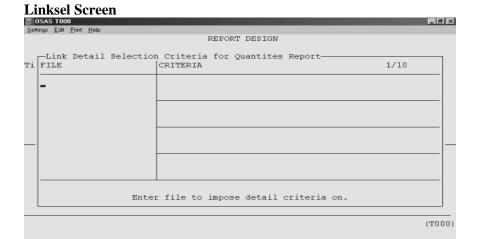
Select the file that contains fields you want to use in criteria

Use the linked files function to select the file from a list of files linked to the central file.

Use the all files function to select the file from a list of all available files.

The data dictionary file can only be selected once in Linksel.

You can select up to 40 data dictionary files.



### Field Description

Criteria Enter the Field, Operator and Expression on which you want to impose criteria.

You can use the list fields function to select the Field.

F1-help, F2-linked files, F3-insert, F4-delete, F5-all files, F9/F7-dor

The following Operators can be used. You must manually enter the operators.

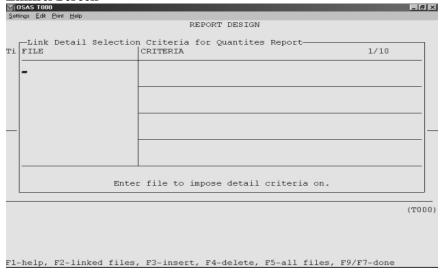
- = Equal to
- > Greater than
- >= Greater than or equal to
- < Less than
- <= Less than or equal to
- <> Not equal to

The Expression can be a field from the selected file, a constant by typing in the expression or a runtime replacement.

Multiple expression can be entered by using the AND/OR connectors.

The Criteria field is limited to 100 characters.

### **Linksel Screen**



| <b>Command</b>             | <u>Description</u>   |
|----------------------------|--|
| Help                       | Select the function key listed to display help for the field or function you are using.                        |
| Linked files <sup>53</sup> | Select the function key listed to display the list of files, which have been linked to, from the central file. |
| Insert                     | Select the function key listed to insert a blank line.   |
| Delete                     | Select the function key listed to delete a file from Linksel.  |
| All files                  | Select the function key listed to display a list of all available files.                                       |
| Done                       | Select the function keys listed to display the Verification prompt and exit Break Points.                      |

 $^{53}$  The link from the central file to the linked file must be setup through the Dictionary function before the link file can be selected in Linksel.

### Appendix J - Creating Link, Calculated and Text Fields

### **Link Fields**

Link fields are created in the Field Specification screen. Link fields are used to select a field that is not part of the central file but needed for the report.

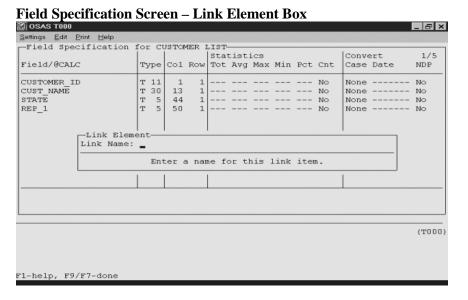
There are two types of linked fields, one-to-one and one-to-many.

### **Creating a One-to-One Link**

To create a one-one-link perform the following:

1. Select the Link function key to create a link field.

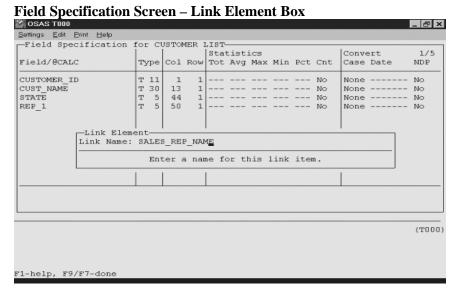
The Link Element box is displayed.



#### 2. Enter the Link Name.

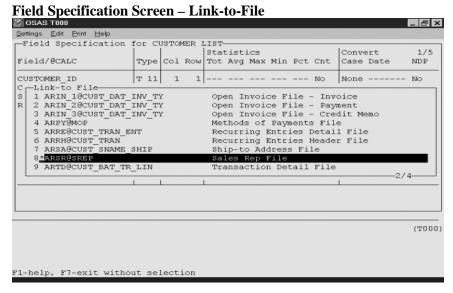
This name is used by you to identify the link, and does not have to be the name of the field being linked.

The Link Name can be 1 to 14 characters long and cannot contain spaces or symbols. Letters, numbers, periods and underscores are allowed.



After the Link Name is entered, the Link-to-File box is displayed.

3. Select the file that contains the field you want for the link<sup>54</sup>.



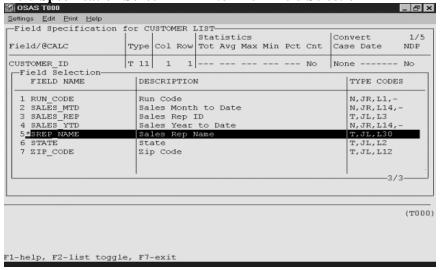
The files are listed in alphabetical order with a description.

The link between the central file and the link to file must be established in Dictionary before you can create a link field on a report.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>54</sup> You need to know the file that contains the field you want to link to before creating the link field. Use the File Descriptions Books or the General Report Writer Data Dictionaries to find the correct file.

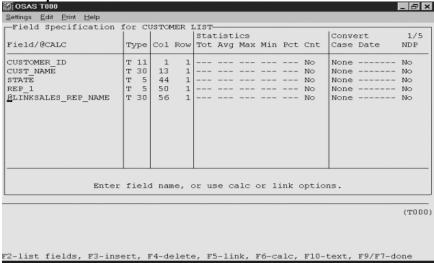
After the link to file is selected, the Field Selection box is displayed,

Field Specification Screen - Link-to-File - Field Selection



4. Select the field you want to use for the link.

Field Specification Screen - @LINK Field



Once the field has been selected, it is added to the Field Specification screen.

@LINK is displayed before the Link Name.

### **Creating a One-to-Many Link**

To create a one-to-many-link perform the following:

1. Select the Link function key to create a link field.

The Link Element box is displayed

Field Specification - Link Element box -Field Specification for Inventory Sales Analysis Report | | | Statistics Field/@CALC Туре Col Row Tot Avg Max Min Pct Cnt Case Date T 20 T 35 T 11 T 3 T 3 ITEM\_ID @LINKDESCRIPTION None -----None LOCATION\_ID @TEXTMTD 58 70 None ----No No @TEXTYTD Link Element
Link Name: QTY SOLD MTD Enter a name for this link item. (T000)

2. Enter the Link Name.

F1-help, F9/F7-done

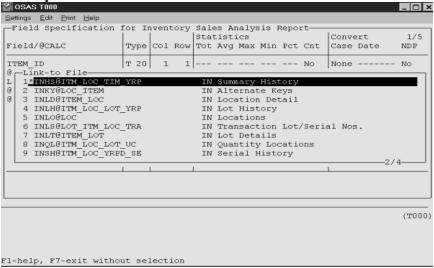
This name is used by you to identify the link, and does not have to be the name of the field being linked.

The Link Name can be 1 to 14 characters long and cannot contain spaces or symbols. Letters, numbers, periods and underscores are allowed

After the Link Name is entered, the Link-to-File box is displayed.

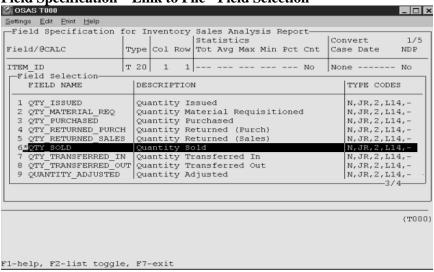
3. Select the file that contains the field you want for the link<sup>55</sup>.

Field Specification - Link to File box



After the Link to File is selected, the Field Selection box is displayed.

Field Specification - Link to File - Field Selection



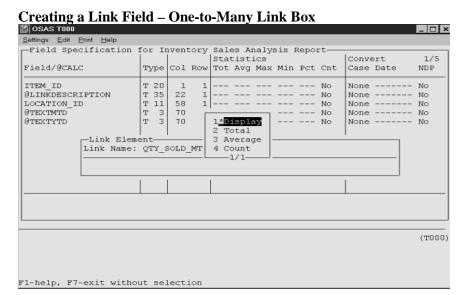
4. Select the field you want to use for the link.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>55</sup> You need to know the file that contains the field you want to link to before creating the link field. Use the File Descriptions Books or the General Report Writer Data Dictionaries to find the correct file.

After the field is selected, the one-to-many box is displayed.

5. Select how you want the field to print on the report.



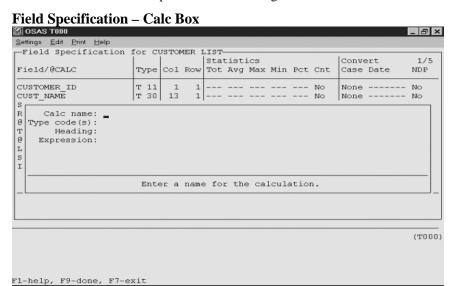
| <b>Option</b> | <u>Description</u>  |
|---------------|---|
| Display       | Prints each individual record from the linked file, based on the field selected and any Criteria or Linksel criteria entered. |
| Total         | Prints the summary total for the field selected and not each individual record.   |
|               | Total is only available for numeric fields.   |
| Average       | Prints the average total for the field selected and not each individual record.   |
|               | Average is only available for numeric fields.   |
| Count         | Prints the total number of records for the field and not each individual record.  |

Once the field has been selected, it is added to the Field Specification screen. @LINK is displayed before the Link Name.

### **Calculated Fields**

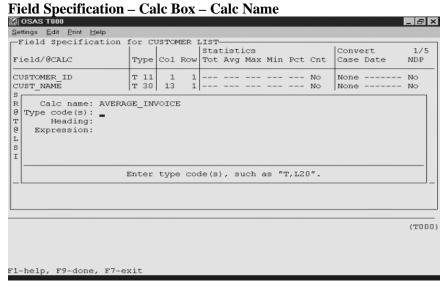
Calculated fields are created to do mathematical calculations on numeric fields and add text fields together to create larger text fields.

To create a calculated field perform the following:



1. Select the Calc function key.

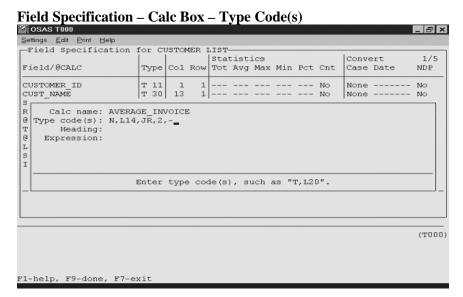
The Calc box is displayed.



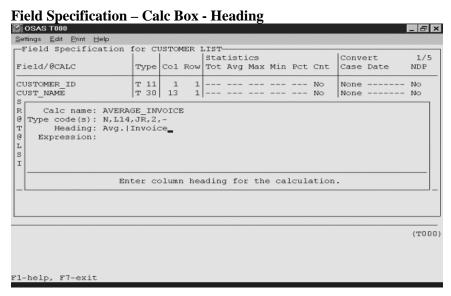
2. Enter the Calc name.

This is the name General Report Writer will use to create the calc field and does not have to be the same as the column heading.

The Calc name can be 1-15 characters long, and cannot contain spaces or symbols. Letters numbers, periods and underscores are allowed.



3. Enter the Type Code(s) for the field (See Appendix A)



4. Enter the Heading for the field.

This heading will print in the header of the report if you are printing the header and printing column headings.

5. Enter the Expression used to create the field.

The Expression can be a maximum of 300 characters.

You can use the list fields function to select fields from the central file to use in the Expression. You can use the link expression to create a linked field in the Expression.

Field Specification - Calc Box - Expression OSAS TOOO \_ B × Settings Edit Print Help -Field Specification for CUSTOMER LIST-Field/@CALC Type Col Row Tot Avg Max Min Pct Cnt Case Date NDP CUSTOMER\_ID т 11 None -----Calc name: AVERAGE\_INVOICE @ Type code(s): N,L14,JR,2, T Heading: Avg.|Invoic Expression: SALES\_YTD/INVOICES\_YTD\_ Enter calculation expression. (T000)

F1-help, F2-list fields, F3-link expression, F9-done, F7-exit

You must enter through the Expression until General Report Writer returns you to the Field Specification screen, to save the Expression.

Field Specification – @Calc Field \_ B × OSAS T000 Settings Edit Print Help -Field Specification for CUSTOMER LIST-Field/@CALC туре Col Row Tot Avg Max Min Pct Cnt Case Date NDP CUSTOMER ID т 11 None -----T 11 T 30 T 5 T 5 T 30 T 10 T 13 D 10 STATE 44 None -----No REP\_1 @LINKSALES\_REP\_NAME 50 56 None -----None -----None ----No TERMS\_CODE @LINKDESCRIPTION 98 No No LAST\_SALE\_DATE SALES\_YTD INVOICES\_YTD 112 Yes No No No No No Yes No No No No No N 14 N 6 N 14 16 23 @CALCAVERAGE INVOICE Yes No No No No No Enter field name, or use calc or link options. (T000) F2-list fields, F3-insert, F4-delete, F5-link, F6-calc, F10-text, F9/F7-done

General Report Writer places @Calc in front of the Calc name you entered.

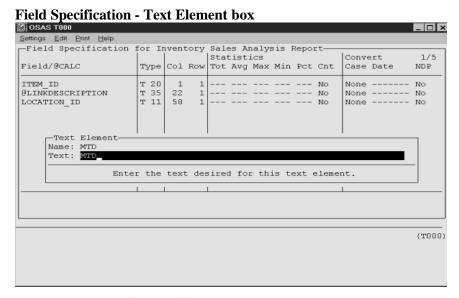
### **Text Fields**

Text fields are created to print a word or phrase on a line in the report.

To create a Text field perform the following:

1. Select the Text function key.

The Text Element box is displayed.



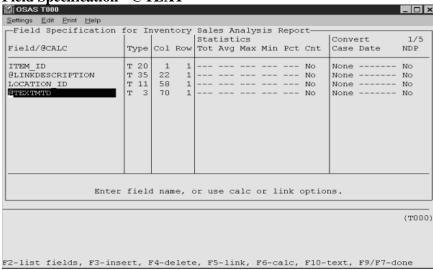
2. Enter the name of the text field.

The field can be 1-14 characters long and cannot contain spaces.

3. Enter the text you want to print on the report.

The text field can be 1-80 characters long.

Field Specification - @TEXT

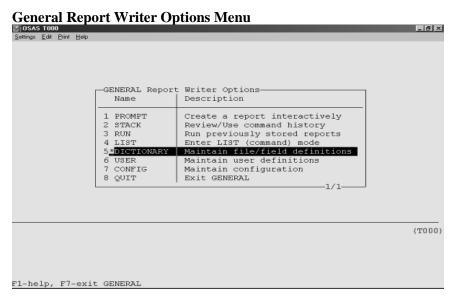


General Report Writer places @TEXT in front of the Text name you entered.

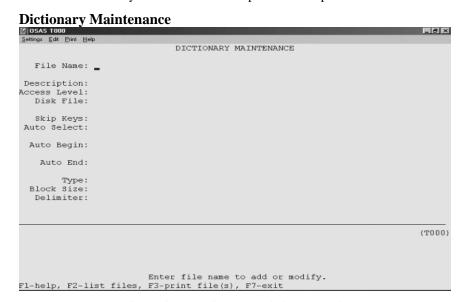
### Appendix K – Printing the Data Dictionaries

Print the General Report Writer Data Dictionaries to have a hard copy of all the files, fields, sorts and links setup and used by General Report Writer. You can use these if you do not have a copy of the File Description books.

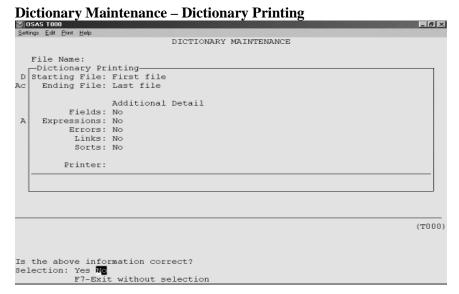
To print the data dictionaries perform the following:



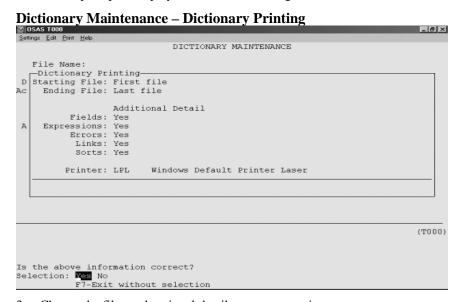
1. Select Dictionary from the General Report Writer Options Menu



2. Select the Print file(s) function from the Dictionary Maintenance screen.

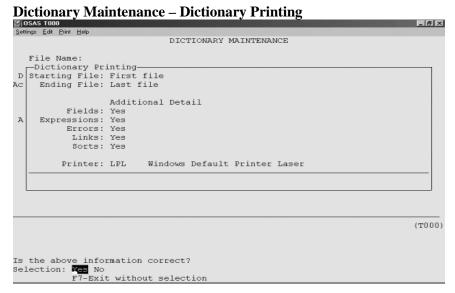


General Report Writer defaults to print all files, but without any additional detail. When the verification prompt is displayed, select No to change the selections.



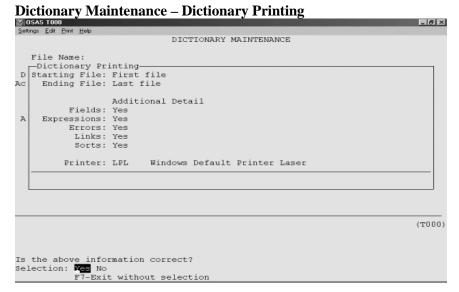
3. Choose the files and optional detail you want to print.

| <u>Field</u>  | <u>Description</u>   |
|---------------|--|
| Starting File | Select the first file you want to print. The default is the first data dictionary file available. You can use the list files command to select a specific starting file. |
| Ending file   | Select the last file you want to print. The default is the last data dictionary file available. You can use the list files command to select a specific ending file      |



After selecting the starting and ending files, choose the additional detail you want to print.

| <u>Field</u> | <u>Description</u>  |
|--------------|---|
| Fields       | Select Yes to print the field names for each file selected.   |
|              | Select No if you do not want to print the field names.  |
| Expressions  | Select Yes to print the expression (how the field is created) for each field.   |
|              | Select No if you do now want to print how the fields are create.  |
|              | You have to select Yes for Fields in order to select Yes for Expressions.   |
| Errors       | Select Yes to have General go through each Expression to verify the information entered is accurate or can be done or created depending on the type of field created. |
|              | Select No if you do now want General to verify each field.  |
|              | You have to say Yes to Fields in order to select Yes for Errors.  |
| Links        | Select Yes to see all the files that the printed file is linked to.   |
|              | Select No if you do now want to print the links to the files.   |
| Sorts        | Select Yes to print the sorts or keys to the files.   |
|              | Select No if you do not want to print the sorts or keys to the files.   |
| Printer      | Select the output device you want to use to print the dictionary files.   |
|              | You can use the list printers command to select the output device.  |



Once the Additional Detail has been selected, the verification prompt is displayed.

| <b>Command</b>         | <u>Description</u>   |
|------------------------|--|
| Yes                    | Select Yes if the information listed is correct and to print the data dictionaries selected. |
| No                     | Select No if the information listed is not correct.  |
| Exit without selection | Select the function key listed to exit Dictionary Printing without printing anything.        |
|                        | You will be asked to verify exiting without printing.  |
|                        | Select Yes to exit without printing, or No to redisplay the verification prompt.             |

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