



Base

Determines which records you are working with.
The starting point for a query, rule, or report,
and many other objects throughout Slate.



DIFFICULTY
Beginner



ESTIMATED TIME
5 minutes



CATEGORY
Database



1. Why this matters

The Base sets the foundation for what you want to build in Slate. Choosing the right Base ensures your results are accurate and everything works together correctly.



2. Think of it like...

The Base is like the starting block in a race. Everything else you do—joins, filters, forms, rules, reports, and more—starts from that starting place.



3. The Big Picture



4. Common Misconceptions

- The Base is just a filter.
- Any Base can be used for any object.
- Changing the Base later won't affect your results.
- The Base only matters for queries.



5. Key Takeaways

- ✓ The Base is the starting record set for your object.
- ✓ It determines what data is available to work with.
- ✓ Everything else you build is based on it.
- ✓ Choosing the right Base is critical for accurate results.
- ✓ The Base is what you "join from."



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