Dashboard-in-a-Dash: Transaction Listing

User Roles Department Administrators, Tub Level Administrators, Tub Finance Office Administrators, Central Finance and Reporting (FAR)

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<th>The Transaction Listing (TL) Dashboard is designed to display all journal entries (transactions) entered in Oracle E-Business Suite. These journal entries (transactions) are the actual transactions recorded by the Harvard University in its accounting book (the General Ledger).</th>
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| Questions Commonly Answered by this Dashboard | - What transactions posted to my tub in a particular period?  
- What is the transaction line description for a journal entry?  
- Who was paid for a particular expense amount?  
- What was the salary adjustment recorded for a particular department or individual?  
- What were the purchase order number and invoice number related to a payables transaction?  
- What is the customer name and address for the receivables journal entry?  
- What individual transactions make up the total cost I am seeing for a particular object code in my department?  
- Who posted the entry to the internal billing?  
- What staff received overtime for the fiscal year to date? |
| Dashboard Types | There are three different versions of this dashboard. The differences pertain to the ability to view the transactions at a detailed or summary level. **Availability of each dashboard is dependent upon individual user security:**  
- **TL All:** Provides detailed transaction information, including compensation at an individual level.  
- **TL W Summary Comp:** Provides detailed transaction information but compensation is summarized for the 33-digit account string.  
- **TL W Limited Comp:** Provides detailed transaction information but suppresses sensitive compensation information. The list of object codes available can be found [here](https://obi-prod.cadm.harvard.edu). |
| Tabs found on the chosen dashboard | **Role Selection:** Select your role in order to render the dashboard. Then, depending on the dashboard chosen:  
- **TL All**  
- **TL W Summary Comp:**  
- **TL W Limited Comp** |

**Role Selection**

The first tab you will encounter is the Role Selection tab. Select the appropriate role (security profile) you will use to execute the dashboard from the Role Selection page and click the Apply button.
If you do not click the Apply button you will get "No Results" when you attempt to render the dashboard. Please note that if you only have one "User Role Choice" you must still select it and click Apply.

Prompts

- *Tub is a required prompt across all dashboard pages.
- The Period to Period field will default to the Current Fiscal Year Current Open Period
- The Consolidating Flag field will default to All Column Values.
- Populate only one of the date prompts; populating multiple date prompts will result in inconsistent results.

Sample Output- Default View

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Right-Click Columns

In addition to the columns presented in the Default view, the user has the option of adding several more columns to the display by selecting an existing column, right-clicking, and selecting Include Column:
Global Customizations

In order to facilitate the use of this dashboard, which provides many ways to view data contextually, the dashboard provides “global customizations.” These views have been built so that users can easily look at dashboard data in several contexts, including:

- A view of PCard transactions
- A view of payroll-related transactions
- A printer-friendly “audit view” of the data

There will be additional global customizations developed over time.

To access a global customization:

1. Select the Page Options menu (found at the top right, beneath your HUID).

2. Select Apply Saved Customization

Note: this represents a partial list of all available fields
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3. A Global Customization will begin with the word GLOBAL and will be displayed beneath the line separating the user’s personal customizations from the global customizations. Select the customization. You will notice that the prompts for the dashboard have changed:

![Dashboard-in-a-Dash: Transaction Listing](image)

In this example, the **Object Type** has defaulted to Expense and Revenue, and the **Journal Source** field has defaulted to AP 015-PCARD Entries.

4. Add in **Tub** and other relevant prompt information and click **Apply**.
5. The dashboard will render with the appropriate fields relevant to that contextual display:

![Dashboard-in-a-Dash: Transaction Listing](image)

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**Tips for Using this Dashboard**

- Please see the following document that maps CREW Descriptions 1, 2, and 3 to the relevant OBI columns: [Mapping CREW Descriptions 1/2/3 to OBI Columns](#).
- If you choose to add in a number of columns to the dashboard, be sure to save your formatted view as a customization.
- **Important Note**: the more columns you add to the dashboard, the harder it will be to read if you decide to print the dashboard.
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- Depending on the prompts you enter and the time period for which to wish the dashboard to render, you may receive an error that you have attempted to retrieve too many rows. Modify your time period and/or refine your prompts with additional filters to narrow down your results. Be sure to click Apply when you change prompts in the dashboard. OBI has a limit of returning 50,000 rows and/or 500,000 cells. Note that the large number of columns found on this dashboard impacts this row/cell limit.
- You can continue to add or exclude columns to global customizations. Simply right-click on a column and select Exclude Column to hide a column or select Include Column and add in the column(s) you wish to add. After formatting the global customization, be sure to save it as a customization.
- When exporting the dashboard, be sure to select the Export Current Page option, as you may receive an error if you attempt to export the entire dashboard.
- If you are responsible for staff running this dashboard, you can format this dashboard as you would like it, and share that customization with your staff. After creating your customization, select Page Options and choose Create Bookmark Link. The system will indicate that a URL now appears in the URL address bar of the dashboard suitable for copying. Copy the URL, open your email client, and paste in the URL. Before sending the email to your staff, be sure to tell them to click on the link, add in appropriate data when OBI opens, and then have them save it as a customization. Click here to see an OBI Simulation on creating bookmark links.

Need Additional Help?

- Find out more about this dashboard at our wiki site.
- Contact the HUIT Support Center, 617-496-2001, or via email at ithelp@harvard.edu.