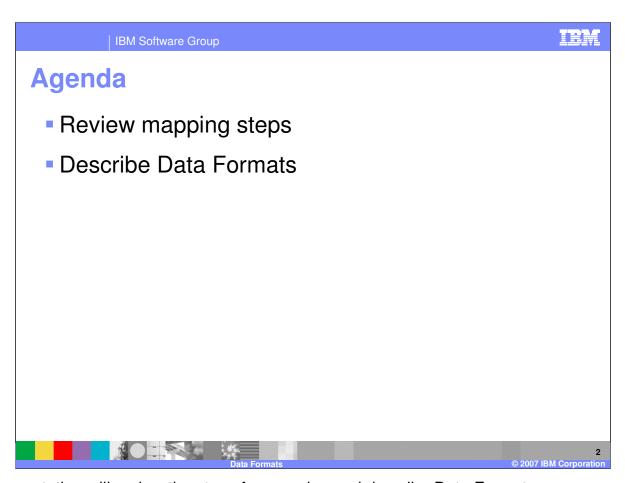


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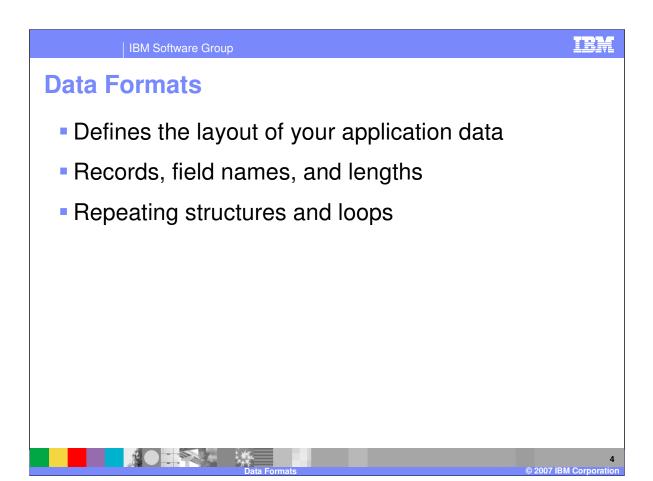
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## **EDI Standards**

- Mapping steps
  - ▶ Load Standard Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) standards
  - ▶ Create Data Format (DF) Application data definition or metadata
  - ▶ Load XML DTDs and Schemas
  - Select Map type
    - Data Transformation
      - For Translation
      - Functional Acknowledgement
      - Validation
    - Send or Receive
  - ▶ Create Map Relationship of source and target document
  - ▶ Setup Trading Partner Rules and Usages Map execution



Before you can use WebSphere Data Interchange (WDI) to translate data, or to send or receive transactions, messages, or files, you must define certain information. This information describes how your system sends and receives data, how data is formatted in your application files and to a standard, to whom you send data and from whom you receive data, and other pertinent information. A WebSphere Data Interchange map relates a source document to a target document. In WebSphere Data Interchange you can create or import document definitions for the source and target documents, and then create a map which relates the elements in the source document to elements in the target document.



The term *data format* defines the layout of your application data. It is a document definition. The word *data* refers to the information itself. The word *format* refers to the physical layout of information in the file, such as field names and lengths. WebSphere Data Interchange requires a description of the data format for each business application that generates data for translation, or uses translated data. Application data must be described to WebSphere Data Interchange so that it can be used as either a source or target for translation.

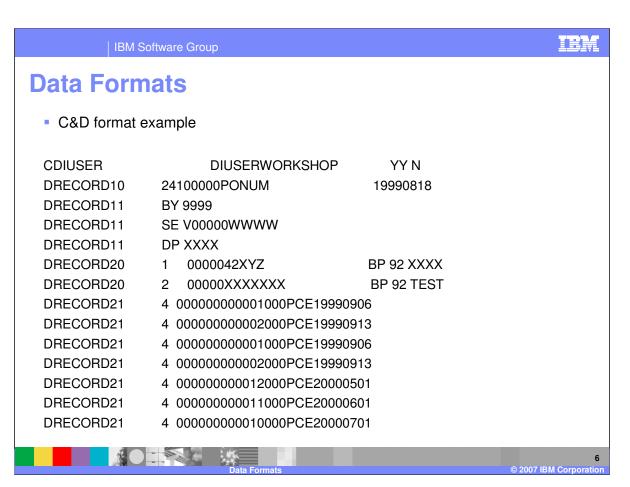
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## **Data Formats**

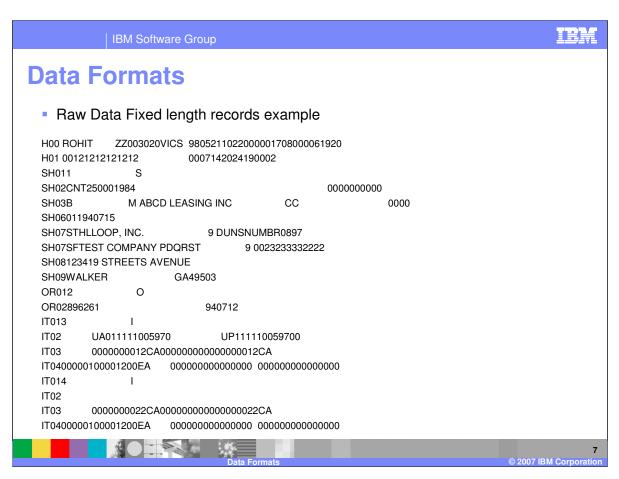
- Application Business Document Definitions
  - Defined as Raw data or C&D format
  - Records
  - Structures not a record (Occurs within a record)
  - Fields



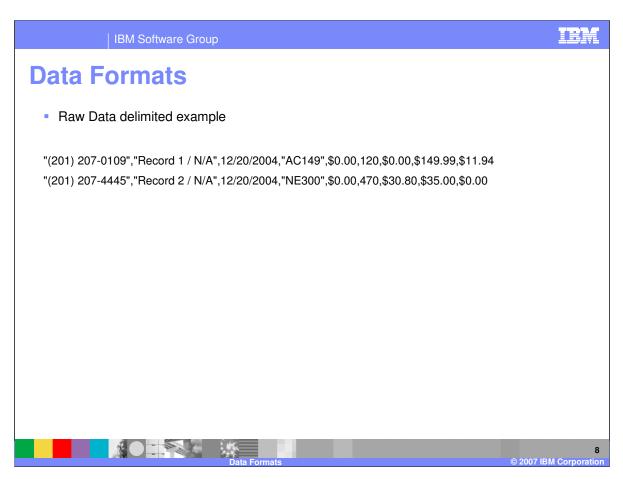
You usually need to create a data format for every unique business document that is used or created by WebSphere Data Interchange. A single data format can be mapped to multiple documents. A data format can be defined as raw data or Control and Data (C&D) format. Raw data means there is a record identification that uniquely identifies each record and each record is fixed length. Raw data formats can also be delimited for example comma separated values. C&D format is a WDI defined format. The C or Control Record in the input data contains information for the data format to use for parsing the input, trading partner information, and override information. Each C record in the input data will signal a new message. Each D or Data Record in the input data begins with the value 'D' followed by the Record name used when the data format was defined followed by the data for the record. Records contain fields and structures. Fields are individual values and structures are grouped fields that may or may not repeat within a record.



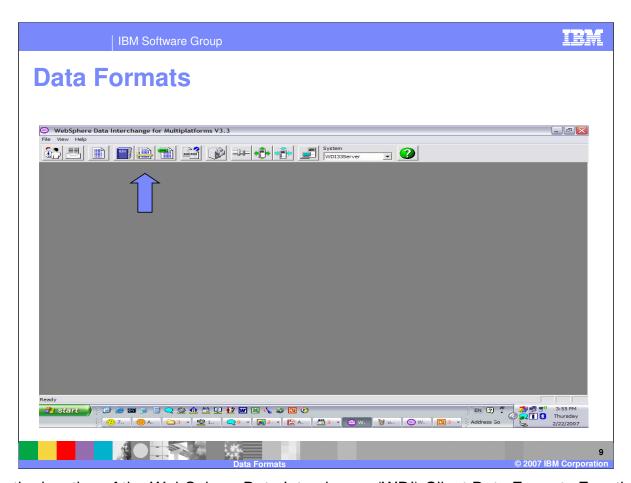
This is an example of C&D input data. The Control or C record is pre-defined and is documented in the WebSphere Data Interchange Version 3.3 Utility Commands and File Formats Reference.



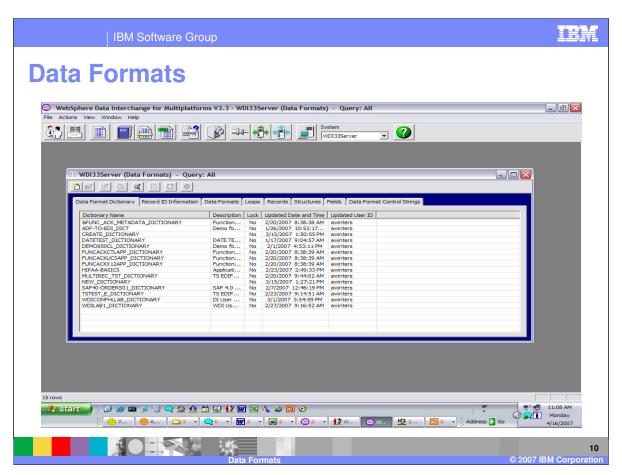
This is an example of Raw data fixed length records.



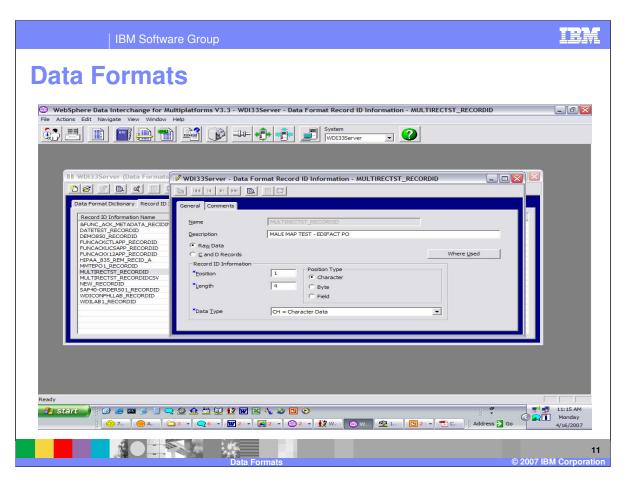
This is an example of Raw data comma delimited records.



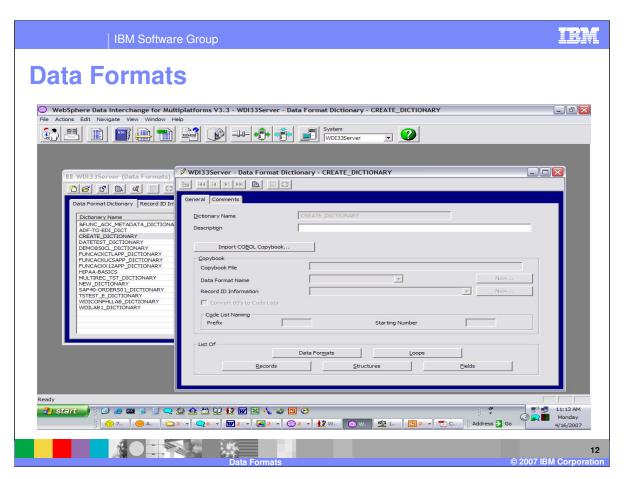
This is the location of the WebSphere Data Interchange (WDI) Client Data Formats Functional Area.



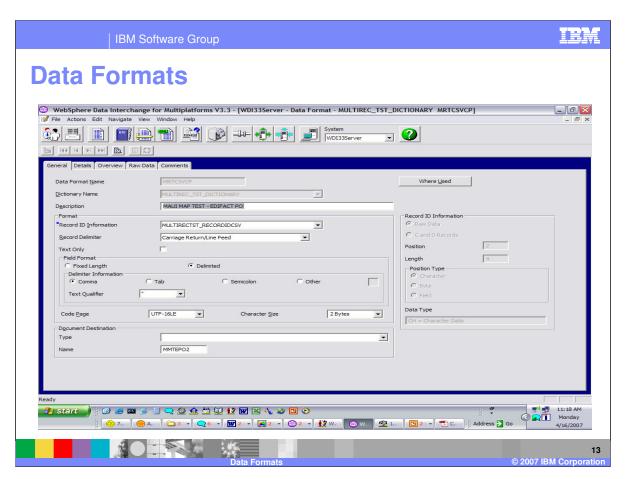
Components of Data formats are dictionary, record ID information, data formats, loops, records, structures, and fields. These are similar to Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) Standards components but describe your application data. The dictionary contains the component definitions for fields, structures, records, loops which allows you to re-use components within different data format definitions. Data format definitions contain records and loops. Loops contain records. Records contain fields and structures. And structures contain fields.



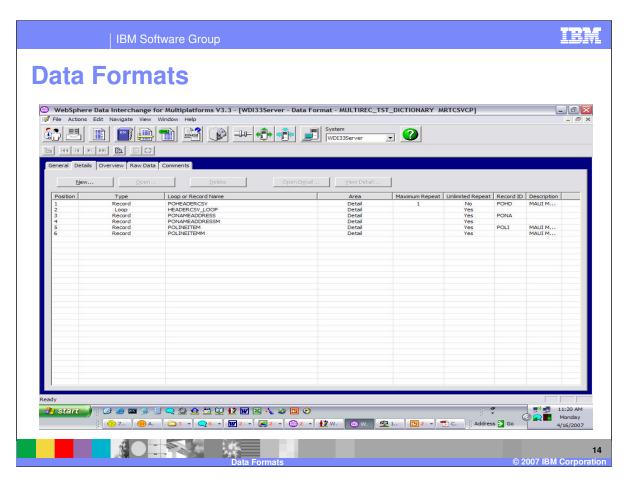
Raw data as opposed to C&D format is identified in the Record ID Information object.



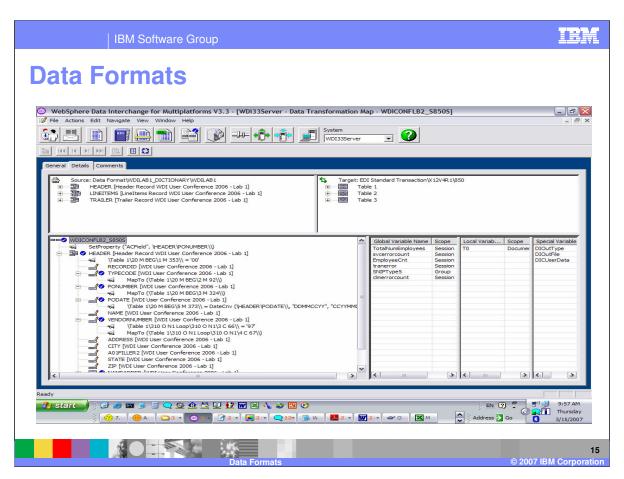
All components except for record ID information are available when selecting a specific Data Format Dictionary.



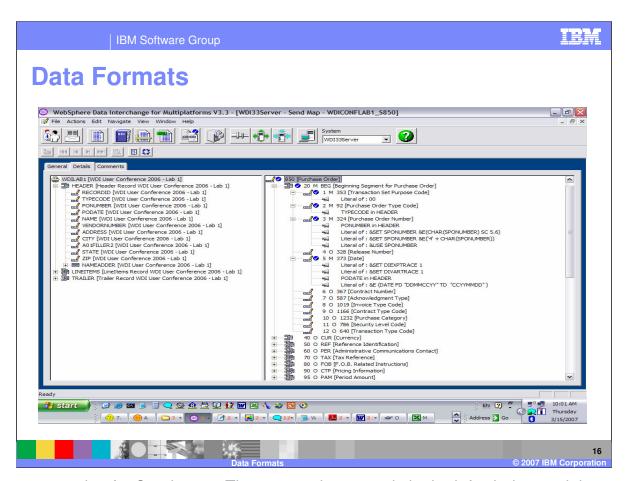
Raw data fixed and comma delimited is identified in the Data Format general tab.



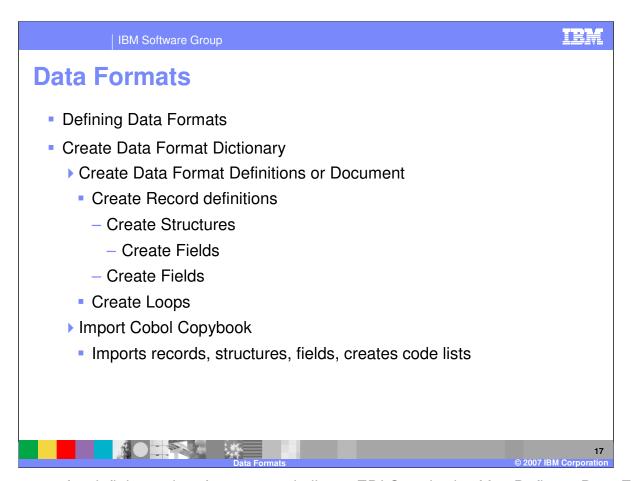
When all the components of the Data format have been defined, the data format can be used as a source or target document in mapping.



This is an example of a Data Transformation map. The source document is in the top left window and the target document is in the top right window. The mapping commands are in the bottom left window. This map is a application data format to EDI Standard map and is a source based map. The data format document definition contains all the record, structure and field definitions for this business document.

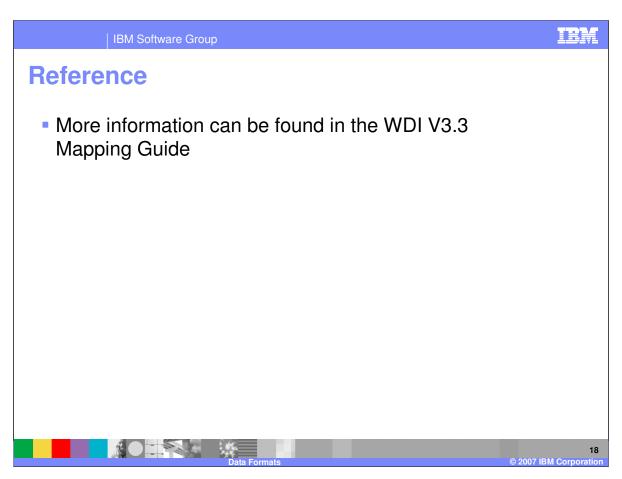


This is an example of a Send map. The source document is in the left window and the target document is in the right window. The mapping commands are in the target document on the right. This map is a application data format to EDI Standard map. The data format definition contains all the record, structure, and field definitions for this business document.



The concepts for defining a data format are similar to EDI Standards. You Define a Data Format Dictionary. The Dictionary contains components for field, structure, record, and loop definitions. The data format definition contains record and loop definitions for the business document layout. Records can contain structures which contain fields and fields. All the components within a Data Format Dictionary can be copied, updated, and deleted and all components can be re-used in different business document definitions. For example a record can be used in 2 different data format definitions.

COBOL copybooks can be imported into a Data Format Dictionary. You can use this mechanism to create or update Data Format Record, structures, fields, and code lists. The imported Records, Structures, and Fields will be a part of the Data Format Dictionary into which they are imported. The Data Format Records can be used in a existing Data Format or a new Data Format.



More information can be found in the WebSphere Data Interchange Version 3.3 Mapping Guide.



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