

# Announcing: `company_id` deprecation

**Note:** The following updates has been rolled out on 04/10/2024

## Why `company_id` was deprecated?

As part of an internal effort to design a multi-tenant architecture, we deprecated `company_id` in order to identify companies uniquely. The original construct of *integer* data type would create confusion as we moved to a more streamlined multi-tenant architecture.

`company_id` was a numeric value that is like an ID (e.g., 1, 1001, etc.), which was locally unique. It would have been difficult for multi-tenancy if `company_id` was being used to identify companies uniquely.

## What should I use now?

The exports contain the `company_name` field (which is a 1:1 equivalent of the internal `company_id`). So you should switch to start using `company_name` instead of `company_id`

### **More details:**

- `company_marker` is unique across ASAPP ecosystem, identifying ASAPP's customers in *varchar* data type with `company_name` that can be used to identify the name of the company associated with the datasource.

For more information, please refer to [Export Schema Documentation](#)

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