

**Address Base**

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# Chapter 1

## Address Base

### 1.1 Contents

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      SHAREWARE!!!
      IF YOU LIKE IT, PLEASE  REGISTER!!!
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The Future
- Menu/Gadget Operations:
- Edit Records

Add Record

Delete Record

Sort Records

Save Records

Print All Records

Print This Record

Search

Etc.

### 1.2 Registering AddressBase

This is a demonstration version of AddressBase. The program has

been adjusted so that the Search function and the Sort function have been disabled, so that you are forced to scroll through the records using the <<< and >>> gadgets in order to find the record you want. If you find the program useful please register. You will receive the full version, and also my eternal thanks.

To receive the full version of AddressBase, do one of the following:

- o If you have an E-mail address, send me \$5 (US) and your E-mail address, and I will send you, via E-Mail, an uuencoded archive of the full version. You will also be E-mailed any other major versions that I make over the next year.
- o If you don't have an E-mail address, send me \$10 (US), and I will send you the full version of AddressBase via US mail. You can then get later versions that I make within one year of your registration by sending me a disk and a self-addressed envelope with enough postage to cover sending the disk back to you.

Methods of payment:

- o In the USA: send either a check or cash (by registered mail) for the appropriate amount.
- o Anywhere else: PLEASE send US dollars via registered mail. I have no idea how to exchange foreign currency or cash foreign checks, so please do not send these.

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Thanks in advance to all those who register!!!

## 1.3 Introduction To AddressBase

+Sorry for the poor documentation, I hate writing this stuff!  
+If anything is unexplained or you have a question, please e-mail  
+me, or write!!!

ADDRESSBASE REQUIRES Kickstart 2.0 OR HIGHER!!!

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AddressBase is a small database program with a nice WorkBench interface and many nice features. The program allows you to create a database of address records, consisting of a person's name, address, city, state/zip, phone number, and E-mail address. It also has some pretty useful operations that you can perform on these records, such as sorting, searching on any field, and printing one or all of the records.

Please note that include in the archive is a test database. Load this in and try out some of AddressBase's features.

## 1.4 History of AddressBase

Version	Date	Comments
1.0	Dec.16, 1994	First public release, released as shareware.

## 1.5 Future of AddressBase

What improvements could I make? Send me your suggestions when you Register, please!!!

Maybe in future versions of AddressBase (depending on interest and number of people who register):

»» Sort on any field, not just LAST NAME. I'm not sure this would be worth the effort, though... I don't think it would too useful for addresses.

»» Save As... operation, to save database under a name different from that loaded.

»» User-Definable field names?? More fields? If I did this then AddressBase would become a small database program...rather than being limited to addresses it could handle any kind of data. I think I'll do it one day, I don't think it would be too hard to do.

»» And many other general improvements...if you have any ideas let me know!!!

## 1.6 Bugs

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I don't know of any. BUT... because I don't have a printer, the printing operations have not been tested very well. If you have any problems please report them to me immediately.

## 1.7 Edit A Record

To edit the record you are currently viewing, click on the "Edit Records" gadget or select it from the menu. A new window will open with string gadgets that will allow you to change any field(s) of the address. To move down through the string gadgets, press TAB, and to scroll up through them, press SHIFT-TAB. Also, to undo changes made in a string gadget, use AMIGA-Q. When you've finished changing whichever fields you wanted to change, click on the OK gadget. To cancel the operation click CANCEL.

## 1.8 Add A Record

This should be your first operation when you create a new database. This operation is also used when you want to add a record to an existing database. Click on the gadget or select it from the menu. A new window will open and you will need to type the data into the appropriate string gadgets. See Edit Records for some special keyboard shortcuts for using string gadgets. Click on OK when you are finished, or click on CANCEL to cancel the operation. If you clicked OK, you will return to the main window, and will be viewing the record that you just added.

## 1.9 Delete A Record

To delete the record that you are currently viewing, click on the "Delete Record" gadget or select it from the menu. The record will be taken out from the database, but the change will not be to the actual file until you use the Save Records function.

## 1.10 Sort the Database By Last Name

This function sorts the records by the LAST NAME field. When you add a record you probably want to select this gadget next in order to re-alphabetize your database. When selected, all of the records are placed in ascending order of the LAST NAME field, and the display is reset to the first record in the database.

## 1.11 Save Records

Select this operation to save your database after you have made changes to it (adding, sorting, deleting). The entire database is resaved under the name that you gave when the program started.

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## 1.12 Print All Records

This operation attempts to print every record in the database. The program outputs to "PRT:", so you must have your printer set up in the Workbench Preferences in order for it to work. All records will be printed with one linefeed in between each record.

## 1.13 Print This Record

This operation attempts to print the current record (the record that is currently displayed in the window). The program outputs the record to the "PRT:" device, so you must have the printer set-up in your Workbench Preferences in order for it to work.

## 1.14 Search Records

This operation searches through the database for any string that you enter in the string gadget. The first thing you should do is select which field you want to search on. Then enter the string that you want to search for into the string gadget. The default field to search is the LAST NAME field. If the string is found the record will be displayed, otherwise you are returned to the original record.

## 1.15 Thanks

AddressBase is © 1994 by Robert Perrine. This demo version may be spread freely throughout the world. However, if you use this program often please register. No commercial use of this program is allowed without my written permission. Please do not try to make any money off of this program (besides PD houses) without my permission!

Thanks go to -Wouter van Oortmerssen- for the excellent language Amiga E v2.1b. Version 3 looks like its even better. AddressBase was written in Amiga E, It is really an excellent and fairly easy-to-learn language. Hopefully I will soon be able to buy version 3, which will probably result in a major rewrite of AddressBase.