Configuring an Account Group in the Account Monitor

1. Navigate to the General Accounting Dashboard page using the Navigator.
2. Select **View > Account Group > Create**.

Other options include:

a. **Edit** to change an existing account group.
b. **Manage** to create, edit, or delete account groups. In the Manage Account Group you can enable sharing of account groups with other users.

3. Enter the **account group name** and **description**, and for **Display In** select **Account Monitor**

4. Select the **Set as default** check box if the account group is used as the default account in the Account Monitor. The setting gives the user a unique default view of account groups in various display targets. Note: If you are creating an account group for the first time, this will be automatically selected and greyed out.
5. Select a **Time Option** and **Comparison Option**

For example, if you would like to monitor a month end balance, choose the Time Option of “Accounting period” and if you would like a comparison amount from last year for that same month choose a Comparison Option of “Prior year YTD”

![Time and Comparison Options](image)

These are the options and comparisons available:

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6. **Set Access**
   a. Private: For your use only
   b. Public: For use by all users who have access
   c. Shared: For use by users you specify and have access

Note: To set shared access, navigate to the **Manage Account Group** page
7. Enter the chart of account string segment values you want to monitor in the Accounts section.
   a. Click on the plus sign to add an entry row. You can add multiple chart of accounts string rows as necessary.

![Accounts](image)

b. Give each account group a short Name that is easily recognizable. Names can be edited by navigating to the Actions menu > Edit on the Account Monitor region on the General Accounting Dashboard.

![Accounts](image)

c. Enter either parent or child values for each segment of the account. Make sure to always select Rutgers Ledger for the Ledger.
   i. Child Value Example for Unit

![Accounts](image)

   ii. Parent Value Example for Unit

![Accounts](image)
d. Select when to display the account in the Change field.
   i. Always Display
   ii. Decrease by Less than Amount
   iii. Decrease by Less than Percentage
   iv. Decrease by More than Amount
   v. Increase by More than Amount
   vi. Increase by Less than Amount
   vii. Increase by Less than Percentage
   viii. Increase by More than Percentage
   ix. Decrease by More than Percentage
   x. Not Equal
   xi. Equal

e. Enter **Threshold** which is the criteria that is being measured against. **Threshold** is used in conjunction with the Change selection. Note: If Always Display is chosen, no Threshold selection is available.

8. Click **Save and Close** or **Save and Create Another**.
9. After saving your Account Group, your results should appear in the Account Monitor section. Note that the Period is a parameter and can be changed to view results for different periods.