

## Domain Methods

### dbt Project Health Scorecard Worksheet

Use this worksheet to grade a dbt project across the seven dimensions that make reporting trustworthy or fragile.

#### How to use it

1. Score each category from 1 to 5 based on current operating reality.
2. Note the biggest current risk and owner for each category.
3. Prioritize trust risks first: testing, source freshness, and CI/CD discipline.

#### Score bands

- 7-14: Fragile prototype
- 15-20: Working but reactive
- 21-27: Operationally useful
- 28-35: Trustworthy operating asset

#### Categories

1. Model organization and naming
2. Test coverage
3. Documentation completeness
4. Source freshness and observability
5. DAG depth and ref-chain discipline
6. Materialization and cost strategy
7. CI/CD and change management

#### Scoring table

Category | Score | Biggest risk right now | Owner

Model organization | \_\_\_ | \_\_\_\_\_ | \_\_\_\_\_

Test coverage | \_\_\_ | \_\_\_\_\_ | \_\_\_\_\_

Documentation | \_\_\_ | \_\_\_\_\_ | \_\_\_\_\_

Freshness / observability | \_\_\_ | \_\_\_\_\_ | \_\_\_\_\_

DAG depth / dependencies | \_\_\_ | \_\_\_\_\_ | \_\_\_\_\_

Materialization / cost | \_\_\_ | \_\_\_\_\_ | \_\_\_\_\_

CI/CD / release discipline | \_\_\_ | \_\_\_\_\_ | \_\_\_\_\_

#### 30-day repair planner

Week 1: Which critical marts or sources need immediate attention?

Week 2: Which tests or freshness checks must be added?

Week 3: Which docs, naming, or model-structure fixes reduce confusion fastest?

Week 4: Which review, build, or deployment checks make production safer?

#### Doorway routing

- Use Translate the Ask when the business question is still moving.
- Use Data Foundation when the warehouse and dbt operating model both need repair.

Domain Methods ? Turn messy marketing and revenue data into decisions leaders trust.