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In this talk we introduce the quasi-partition algebra, $QP_k(n)$. We construct a basis thus showing that the dimension of the algebra is the number of set partitions of $2k$ that do not have blocks of size one. We also discuss its representation theory, showing among other things that the irreducible representations are indexed by partitions of $0, 1, 2, \dots, k$. (Received September 21, 2012)