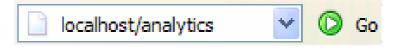
Hands On Oracle BI Answers and Dashboards

Using Sales History Database (SH)

Connect and log in



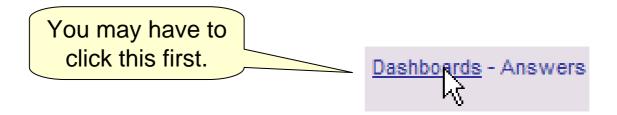




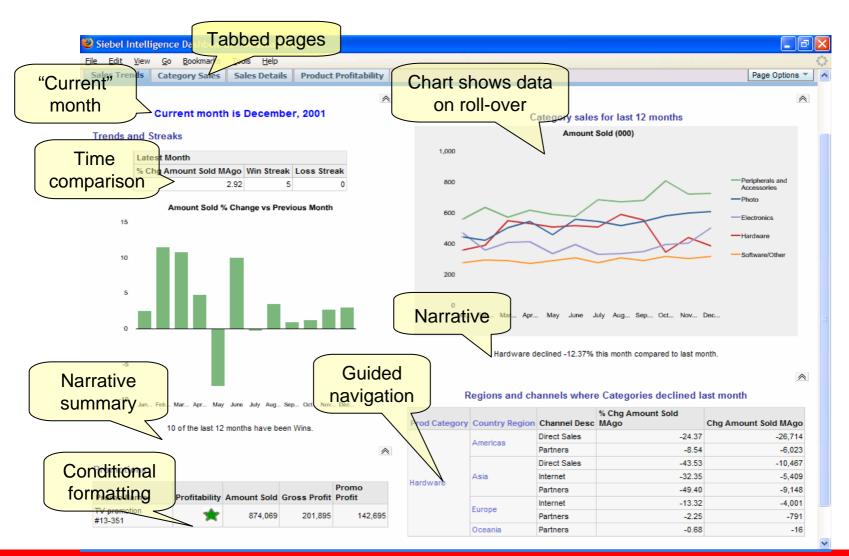


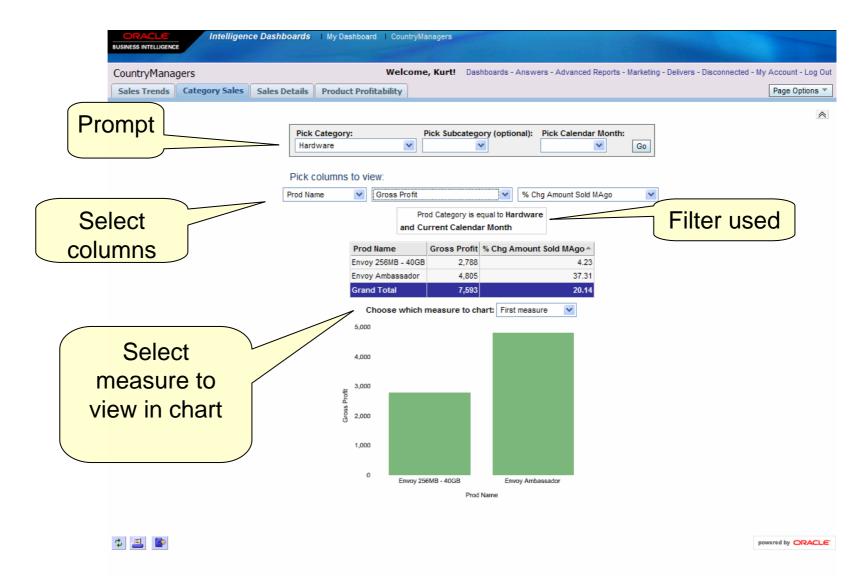
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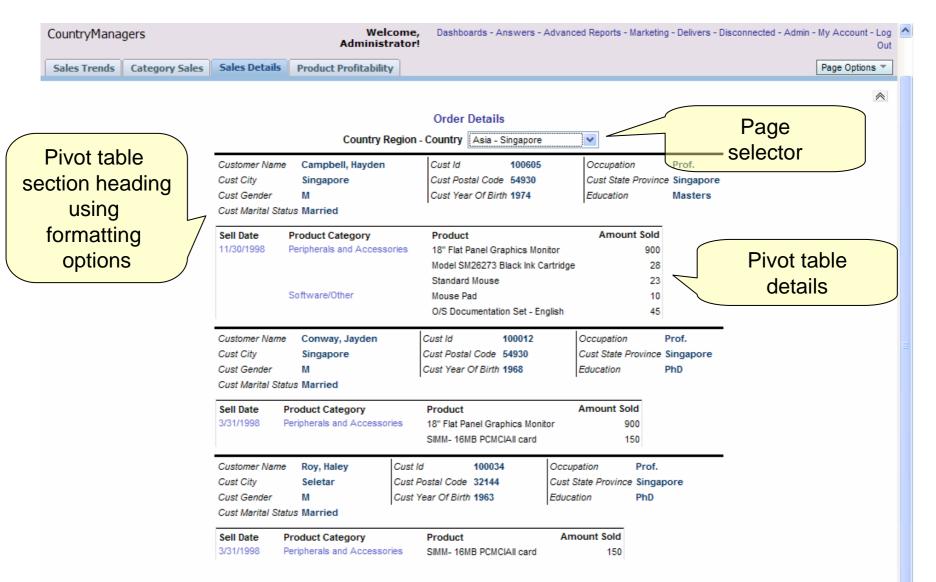




Note Features







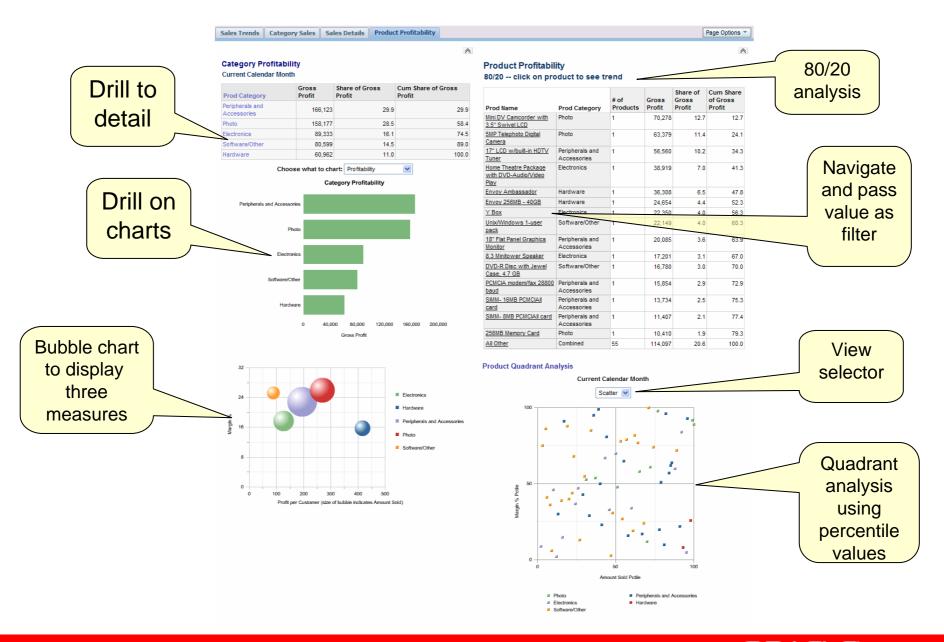








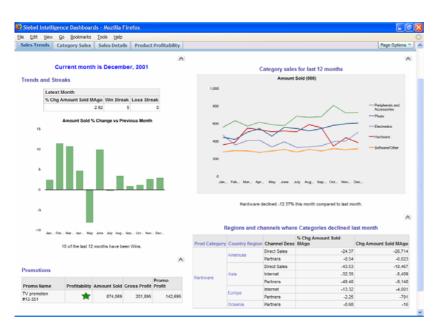
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Personalization

Log out, then log in as Kurt, Keiko, Charles, or Karen

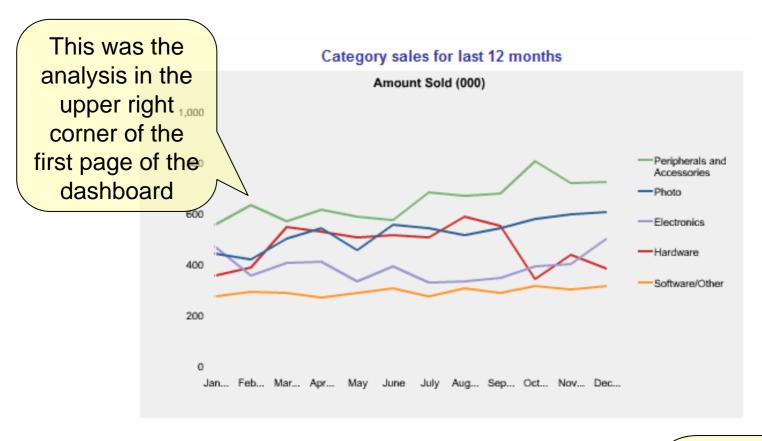
Adminstrator sees data for all countries



Kurt, Germany country manager, sees only data for Germany



Now Create This...

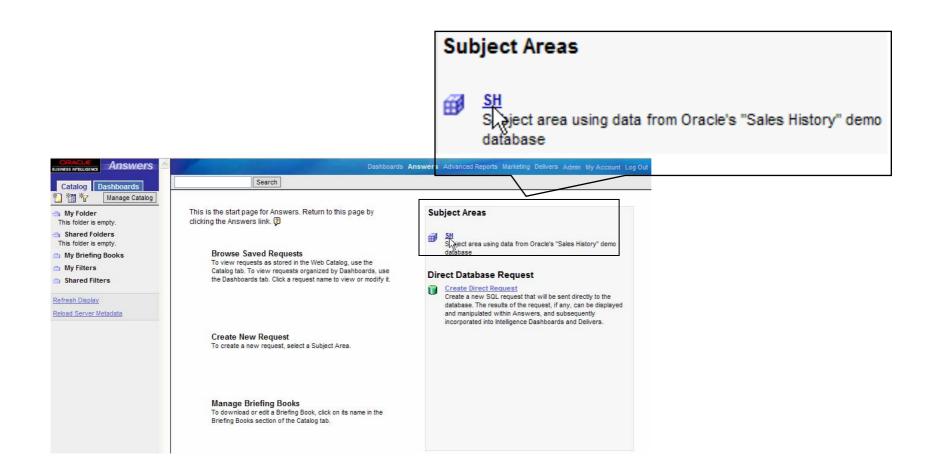


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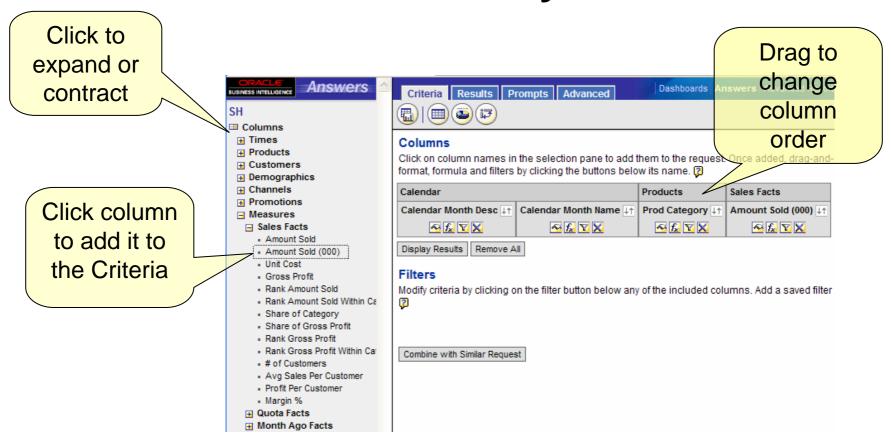
First, log back in as Administrator



Answers: Select Subject Area



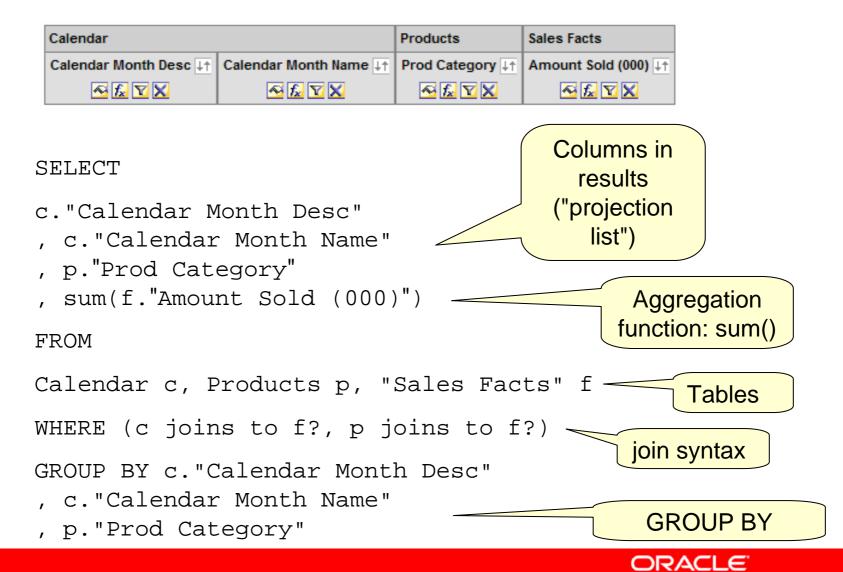
Build Query



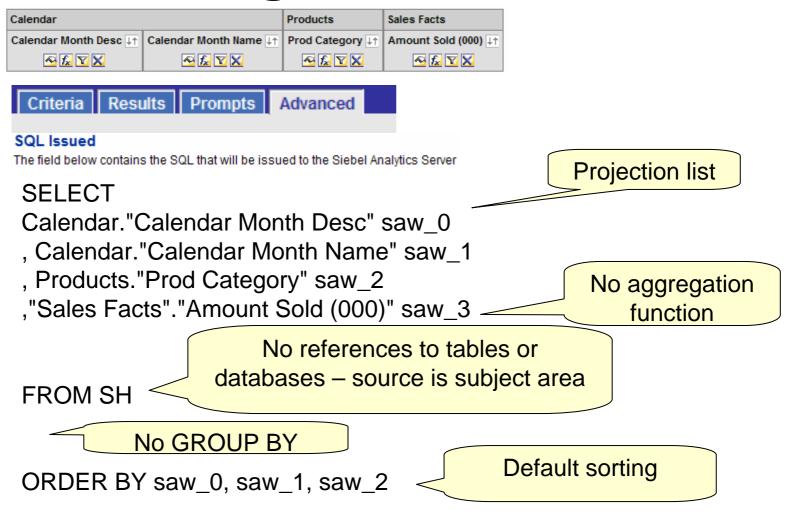
Logical SQL

- The next two slides are about SQL
- When you use Answers, you are creating "Logical SQL"
- Logical SQL references logical objects, not physical database objects
- The next slides compare the physical SQL that you might expect to see if you were using a query tool that only knew about physical tables, versus the logical SQL that the web server creates to specify a query of logical objects
- These logical objects are defined in metadata and represent business concepts using business vocabulary

Standard SQL (physical)



Logical SQL

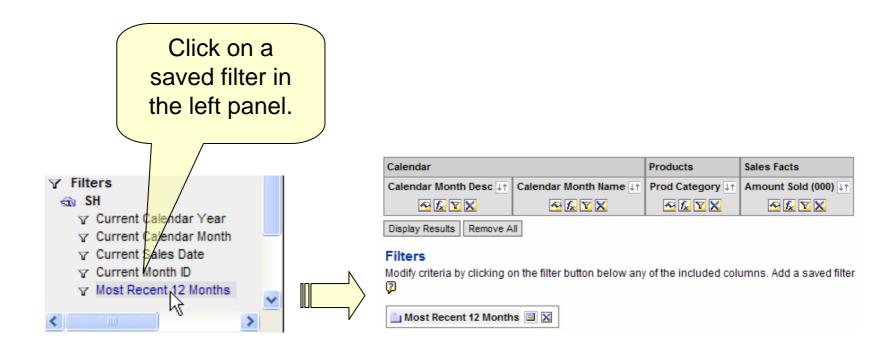


Advanced Tab

- Logical SQL is shown on the Advanced Tab
- You can write logical SQL by hand but it is much easier to use Answers to create it

Filter for Most Recent 12 Months

 To see only the data for the last 12 months, add a filter to the query

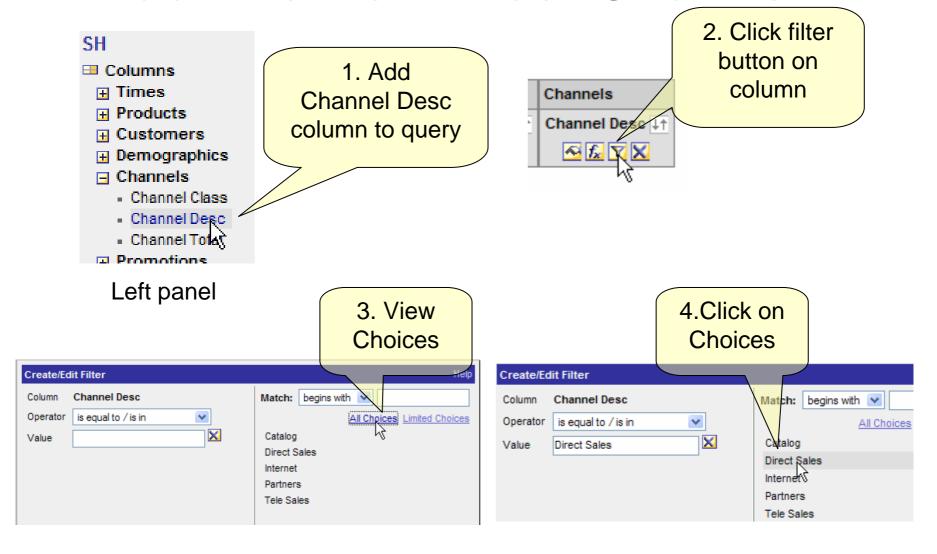




Create a Filter

- Instead of using a saved filter, you could create a filter manually
- Suppose you wanted only to see data for the Direct sales channel

Add filter for Direct Channel

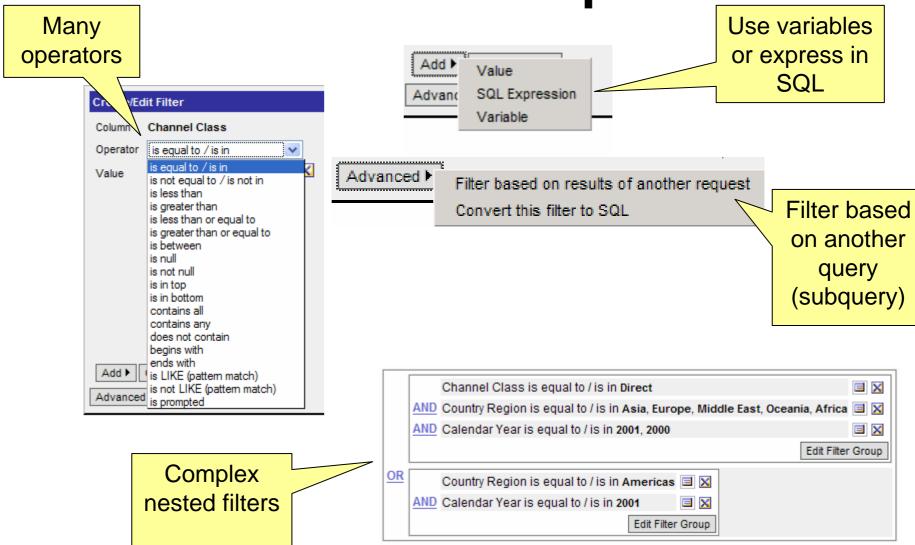


Add filter (continued)

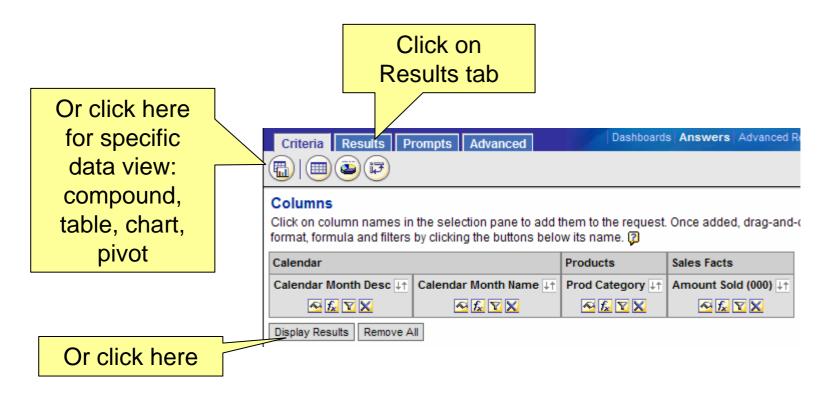




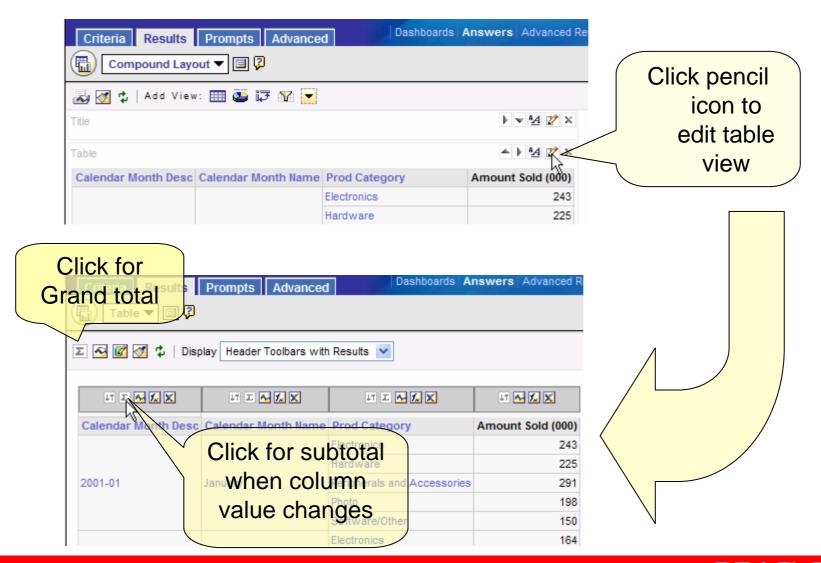
Extensive Filter Options



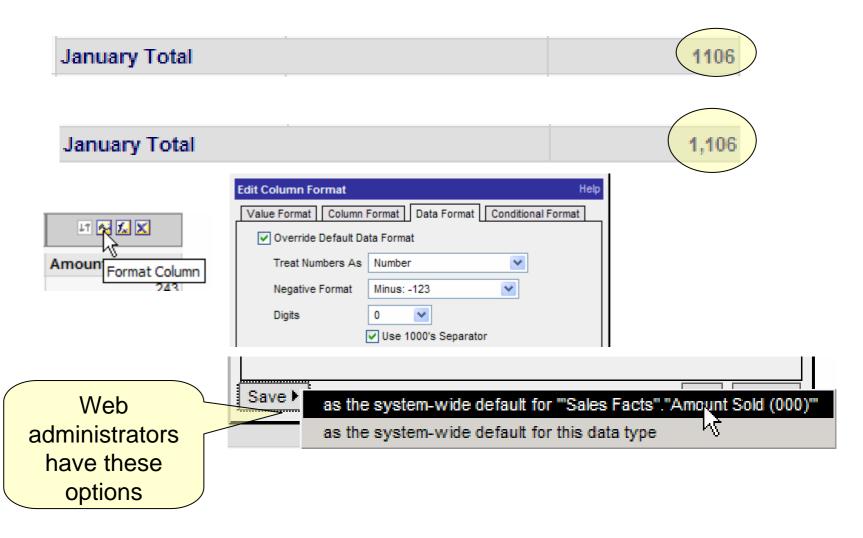
View Results



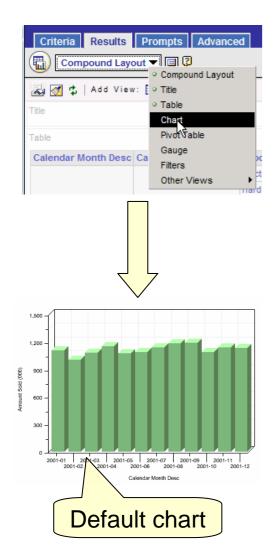
Add Totals

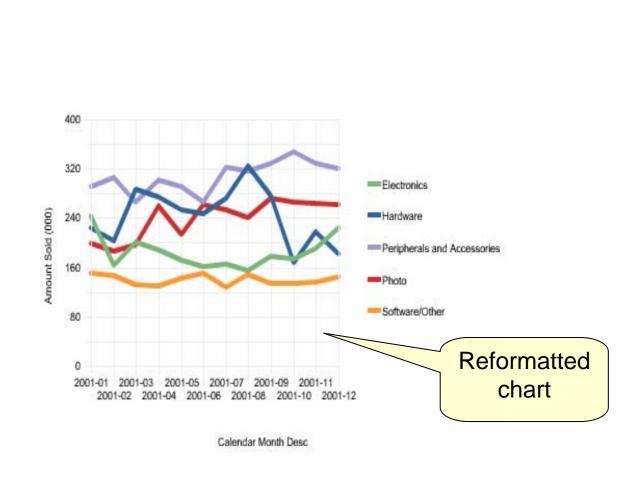


Change Data Format

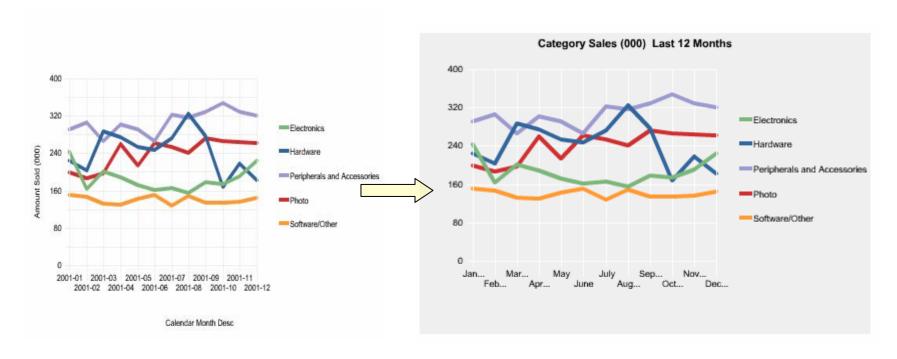


Create a Chart





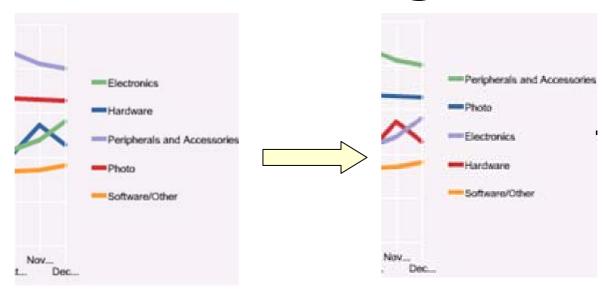
Reformat Chart



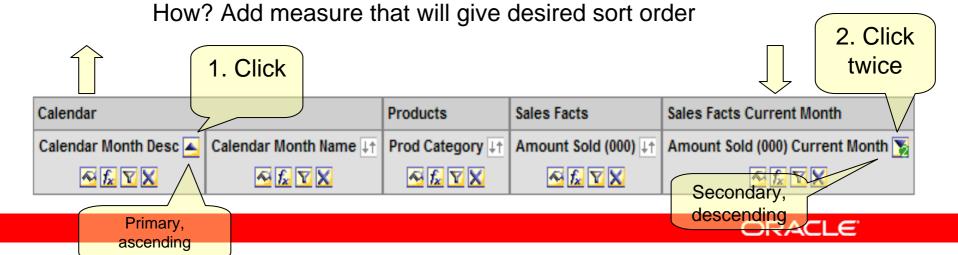
- Remove label on left axis
- Remove label on bottom axis
- Change attribute on bottom axis
- Abbreviate names on bottom axis
- Add Title (at top)
- Change Background color
- Change color of grid lines



Re-sort Legend



Why? Easier for reader to align legend with chart

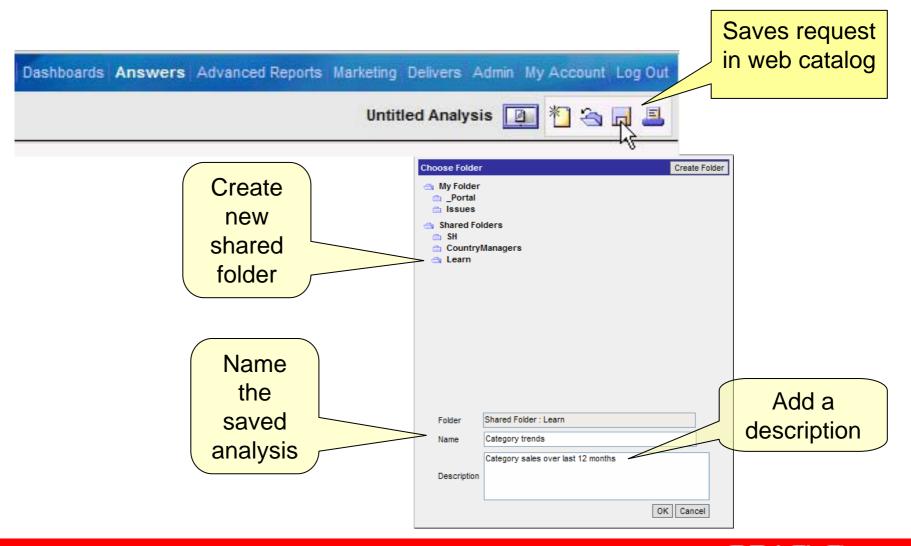


Create Pivot Table

- Move row headers to columns, sections, or pages
- Move measure names
- Show data as % of column or row
- Format sections with report elements (borders, padding, etc.)
- Add Calculated Items (e.g. special totals)

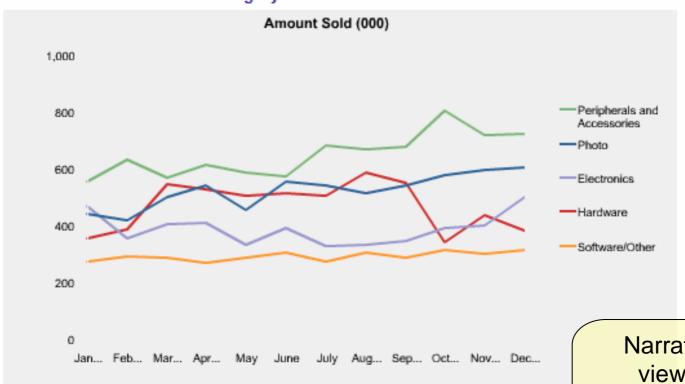
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	Amount Sold (000)	% of Period	Amount Sold (000)	% of Period	Amount Sold (000)	% of Period		% of Period	Amount Sold (000)	% of Period		% of Period	Amount Sold (000)	% of Period												
Peripherals and Accessories	291	26.3%	306	30.4%	267	24.7%	301	26.2%	292	27.2%	266	24.5%	322	28.2%	317	26.7%	329	27.6%	347	31.9%	329	28.9%	321	28.3%	3688	27.6%
Photo	198	17.9%	186	18.5%	196	18.1%	259	22.5%	214	19.9%	262	24.1%	253	22.2%	241	20.3%	272	22.8%	266	24.4%	263	23.1%	262	23.1%	2872	21.5%
Electronics	243	22.0%	164	16.3%	200	18.5%	188	16.3%	172	16.0%	161	14.8%	165	14.5%	155	13.1%	178	14.9%	173	15.9%	191	16.8%	225	19.8%	2215	16.6%
Hardware	225	20.3%	204	20.3%	287	26.5%	274	23.8%	253	23.6%	248	22.8%	273	23.9%	325	27.4%	277	23.3%	168	15.4%	217	19.1%	182	16.0%	2933	21.9%
Software/Other	150	13.6%	146	14.5%	131	12.1%	129	11.2%	143	13.3%	150	13.8%	128	11.2%	148	12.5%	135	11.3%	134	12.3%	137	12.0%	144	12.7%	1675	12.5%
Grand Total	1107	100.0%	1006	100.0%	1081	100.0%	1151	100.0%	1074	100.0%	1087	100.0%	1141	100.0%	1186	100.0%	1191	100.0%	1088	100.0%	1137	100.0%	1134	100.0%	13383	100.0%

Save Request



Narratives

Category sales for last 12 months

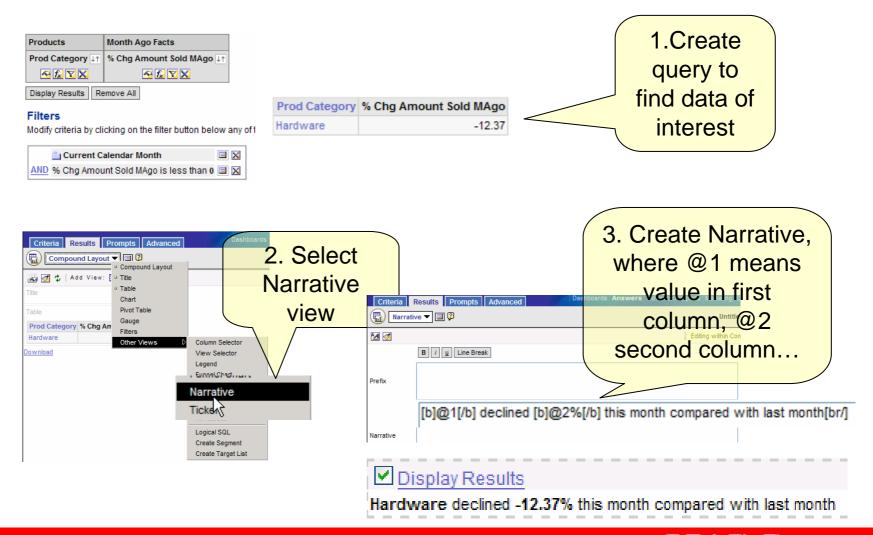


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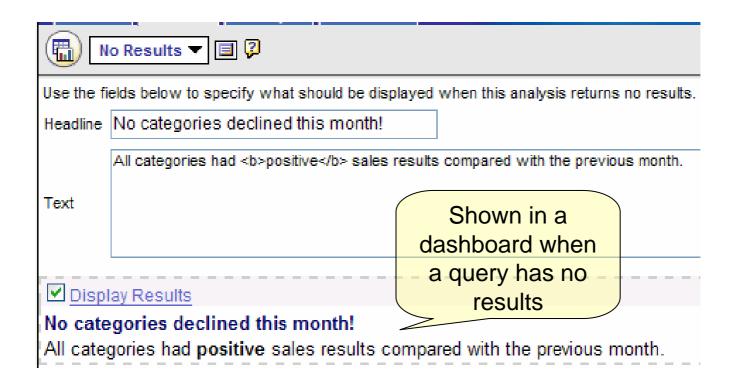
Narrative
view –
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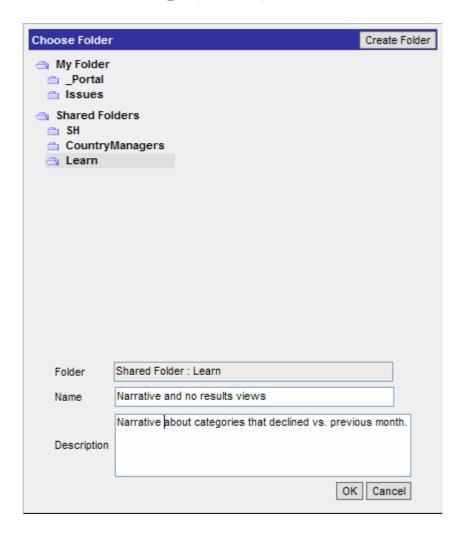
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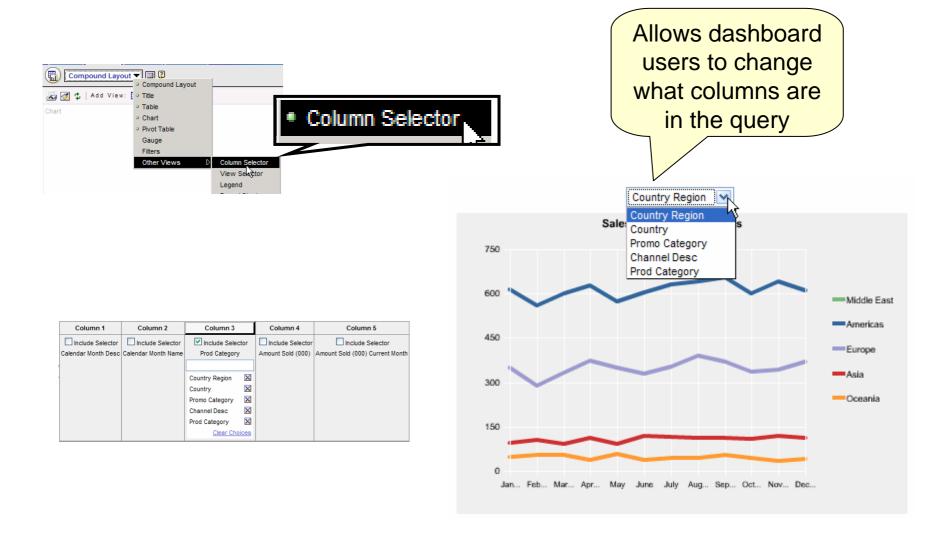
Create a No Results View



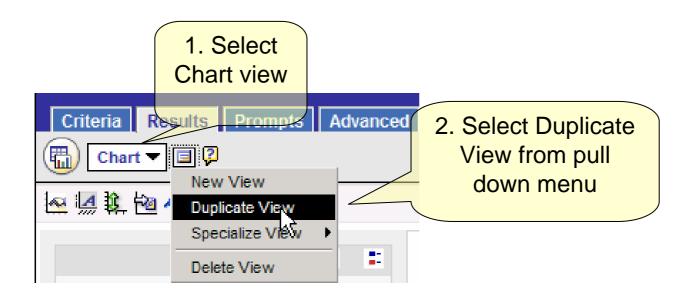
Save



Column Selector View



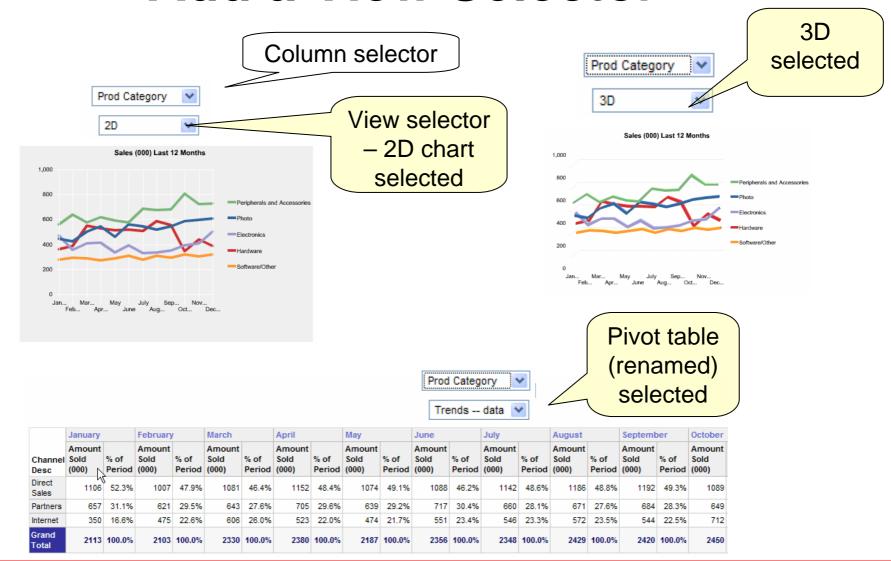
Create a Second Chart



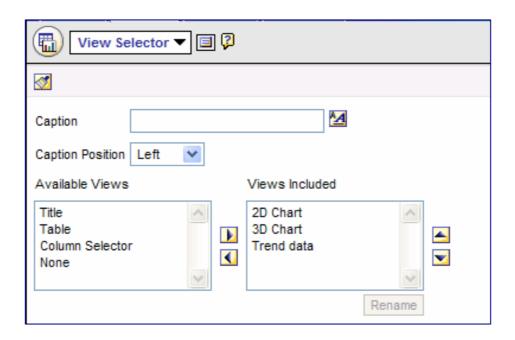




Add a View Selector

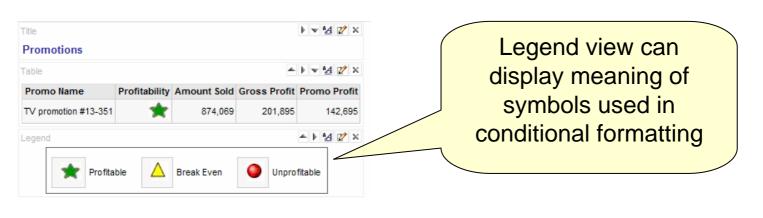


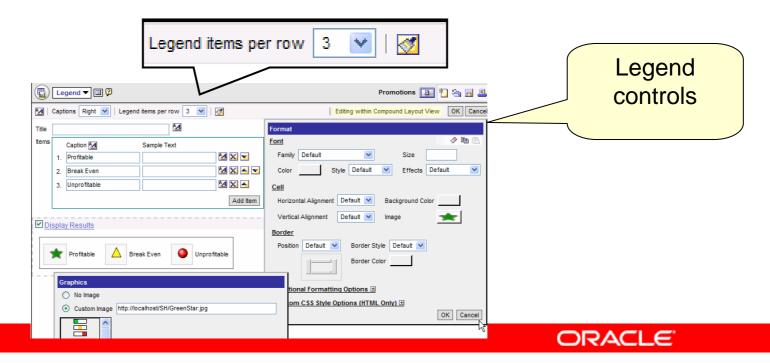
Creating a View Selector



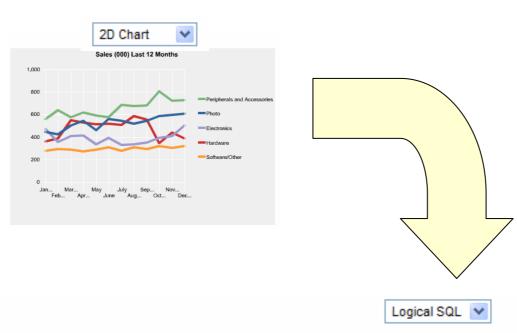
Save after this step

Other Views: "Legend"





Logical SQL View



SELECT Calendar. "Calendar Month Desc" saw_0, Calendar. "Calendar Month Name" saw_1, Products. "Prod Category" saw_2, "Sales Facts". "Amount Sold (000)" saw_3, "Sales Facts Current Month". "Amount Sold (000) Current Month" saw_4 FROM SH WHERE Calendar. "Calendar Month Id" between VALUEOF(maxMonthID)-11 and valueof(maxMonthID) ORDER BY saw_0, saw_4 DESC

Create Shared Dashboard

- Dashboard to be shared by members of a web group
- Use Admin link to administer web catalog
 - Create dashboard
 - Dashboard needs group folder
 - Use existing group folder
 - Or create a new one

Add Content to Dashboard

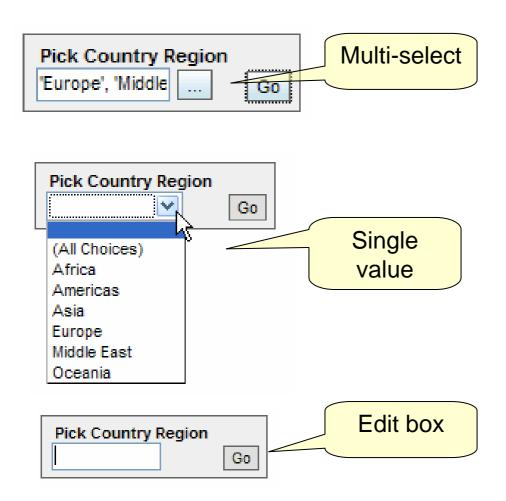




Dashboard Prompts

Dashboard prompts allow users to **Pick Country Region** change or set filters 'Europe', 'Middle Go Prod Category 2D Chart Sales (000) Last 12 Months 250 200 Peripherals and Accessories Photo 150 Electronics Hardware Software/Other 50 0 Filter view displays filter values Most Recent 12 Months and Country Region is equal to Europe, Middle East

Dashboard Prompt Options



Constrained Choices

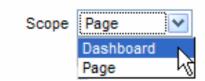


Group	Column	Operator	Control	Show	Default to	Label	
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	Country Subregion	is equal to / is in	Drop-down List 💌	All Values 💌	Report Defaults	onstrain	XAV
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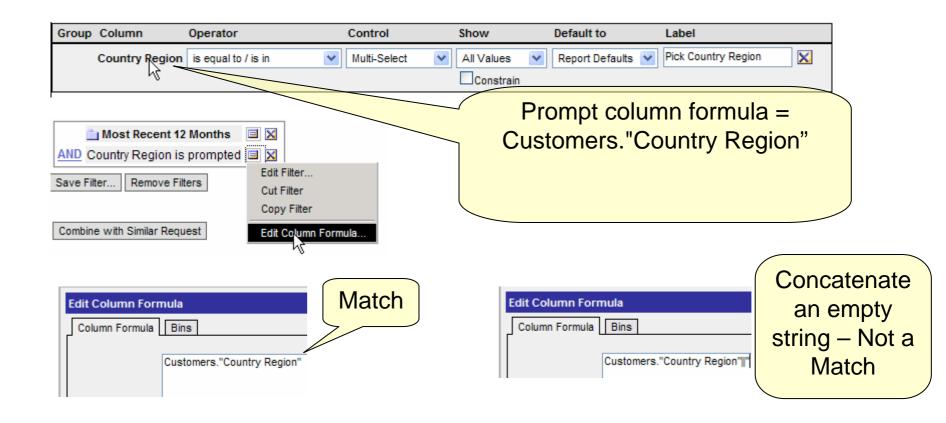
Dashboard Prompt Scope

Dashboard Prompt

Prompts for values which filter results on either an entire Dashboard or the current Dashboard page.

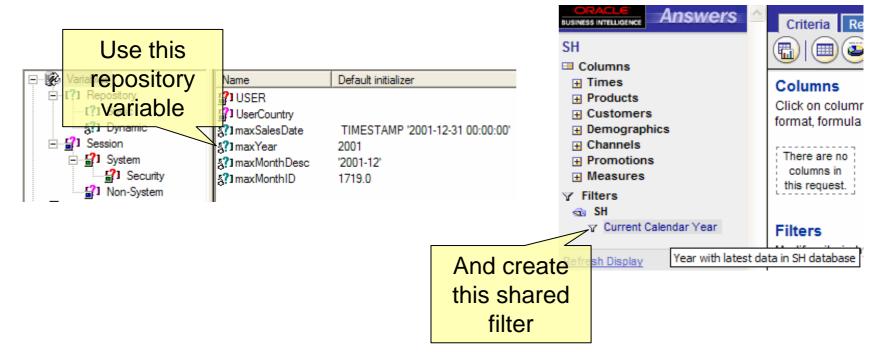


Prompt Formula Must = Column Formula

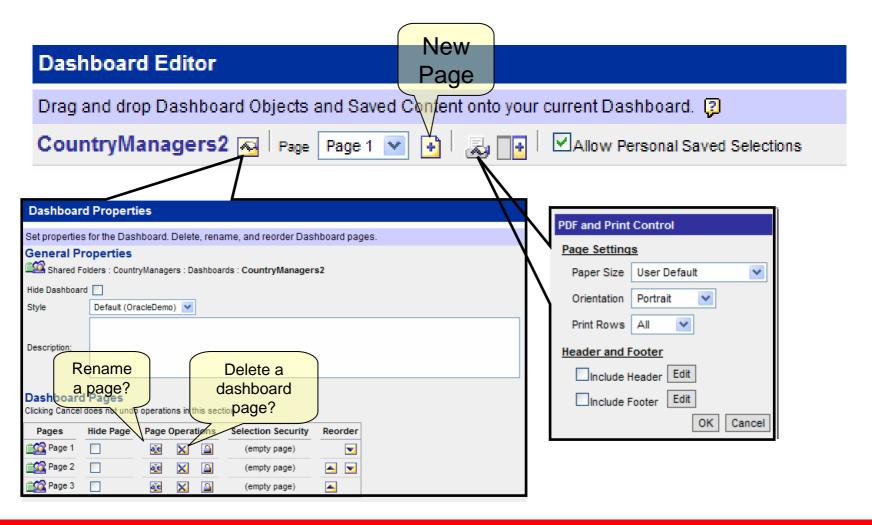


Create Shared Filter

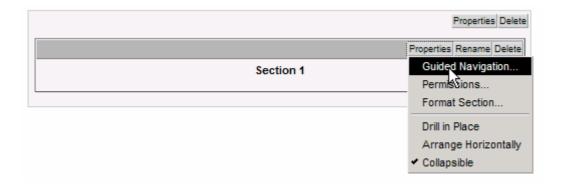
- Filters can be shared and use a repository variable (e.g. "maxYear" – cf. My Dashboard)
- Need a shared folder

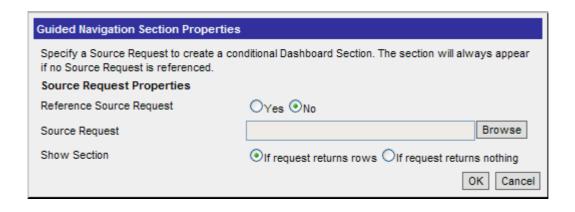


Dashboard Editor FAQ

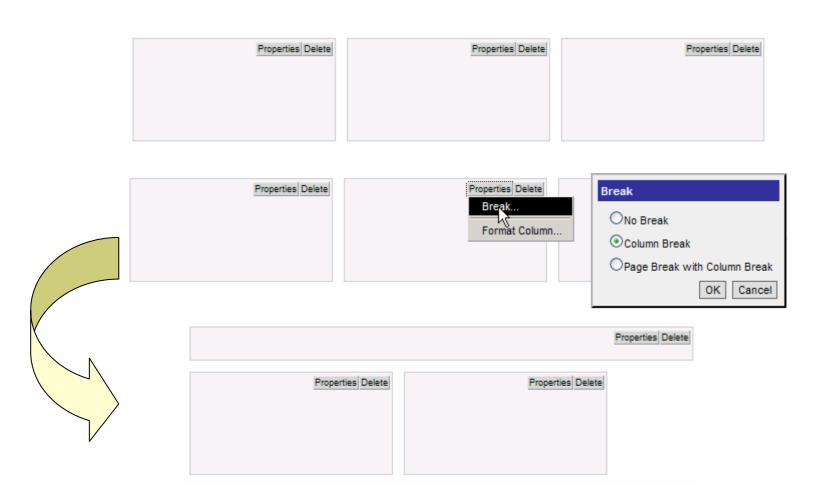


FYI: Guided Navigation Sections





Creating Column Breaks



Review

- Select Answers link
- Select Subject Area
- Criteria tab
 - Click on columns in left panel to add them to Criteria tab
 - Re-order columns (optional)
 - Set sort order (optional otherwise default sorting will occur)
 - Format columns (optional otherwise default formatting)
 - Set filters
- Results tab
 - See results
 - Add totals
 - Create other views chart, pivot table, etc.
 - Arrange views in compound layout
- Save
- Use dashboard editor from dashboard

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