Power BI Overview

Power BI is a robust suite of tools, allowing data analysts to:

- Acquire data from one or more sources and cleanse, transform, and prepare data
- Create an in-memory data model with relationships
- Perform calculations such as MTD, QTD, YTD, % of Total
- Create data visualizations, reports, and dashboards
- Apply row level security within an imported data model, and user group security on Power BI Service Workspaces
- Publish content, and share and collaborate with, or distribute to colleagues

Roles

How you begin using Power BI depends on your role and what you want to accomplish. Click on the role below to find detailed information.

Consumers

View reports and dashboards created by others. Choose this option if you do not create reports, but use data from reports others create either for you or for your institution.

Report Authors

Create or modify Power BI reports. Choose this option if you would like to start creating reports by yourself.

Data Modelers

Create underlying datasets for Power BI reports. Choose this option if you have mastered the report authors’ role and create custom datasets from raw data.
Resources

Here are more information pages for UMS Power BI.

- Power BI Resources
- Power BI FAQs
- Power BI Governance Team
- Power BI for IT Administrators (Restricted)

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