FINANCIAL SERVICES— REPORTING ON CUSTOMER, PRODUCT, AND BRANCH PROFITABILITY

A FINANCIAL SERVICES
APPLICATION BRIEF





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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

With over 1,000 financial services customers worldwide, including nine of the top 10 banks in the US and nine of the top 10 banks in Europe, Cognos understands the challenges facing financial services institutions (FSIs) and is the leader in providing performance management solutions to the financial services industry.

Cognos has a proven track record of helping FSIs:

- Identify, analyze, and enhance customer, product, and channel profitability
- Quickly and effectively manage and reduce risk
- Address compliance and trust issues and even turn compliance into competitive advantage
- Understand and compete in new global markets
- Implement best practices for the consumption and dissemination of information to stakeholders worldwide.

While all of these are important initiatives, the need to understand who your most profitable customers, products, and branches are remains a top priority for FSIs. With Cognos, FSIs can:

- Report and analyze profitability across the entire institution
- Understand which regions and branches are performing well or poorly
- Analyze which products are most profitable overall, and which are most profitable by factors such as age, gender, region, income, and more
- Access a customer's entire relationship with the institution, enhancing customer service and uncovering cross-sell opportunities.

With Cognos software, you can truly understand which customers, products and branches are contributing most to your success—and those that are not meeting expectation. With these capabilities, banks can use capital more efficiently, which boosts profitability and benefits shareholders.

This application brief will show you how easy and effective customer, product, and branch profitability reporting can be with Cognos software.

OVERVIEW

Managed reporting provides an effective way to deliver information out to users, especially where user communities are varied.

Key audience for profitability reports may include:

- Branch managers
- New accounts and customer service representatives
- Executives and senior managers
- Analysts
- Customers, suppliers, and partners.

Predefined reports can be published from the central management group and distributed via the intranet or extranet to executives, senior managers, and the branches. Ad hoc reports can be created by individual power users and shared as necessary.

Cognos ReportNet[™] lets any user, whether from a technical or business background, create, modify, and distribute managed reports and ad hoc queries quickly and easily. It is simple to use—anyone can build any manner of report, in multiple languages, with drag-and-drop simplicity.

As a result of these reports, customer-facing personnel can make better decisions regarding customer service, cross-sell opportunities, and target marketing.

For the purposes of this application brief we will take you through various scenarios that FSIs face on a daily basis. We will take you through several sample reports including:

- An Overall Profitability Report
- A Branch Profitability Report
- A Customer Profitability Report
- A Product Profitability Report.

These reports tie the organization together with one version of the truth.

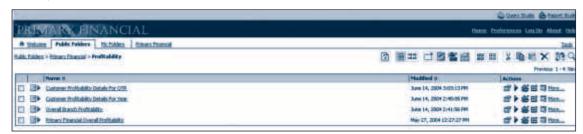
OVERALL, REGIONAL, AND BRANCH-LEVEL REPORTING

When evaluating performance across the institution, bank executives need a clear, concise picture of the information they rely on to manage the business. Using Cognos ReportNet, bank executives can access, analyze and act on this information in real-time.

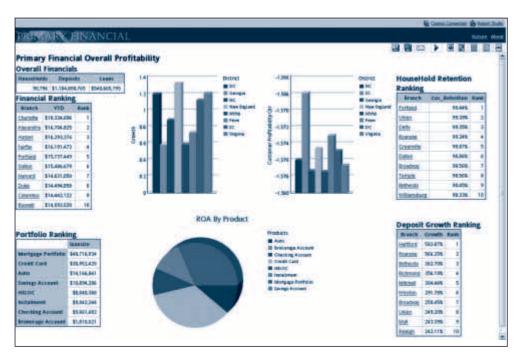
In this scenario, we will conduct an overall review of our model FSI, Primary Financial.

Steps:

 Click on the Primary Financial Overall Profitability link.



This action creates a Performance Summary Report for Primary Financial. With this report executives can see at-a-glance the overall financial performance of the institution, product-level performance, and branch rankings based on deposit growth and customer retention.

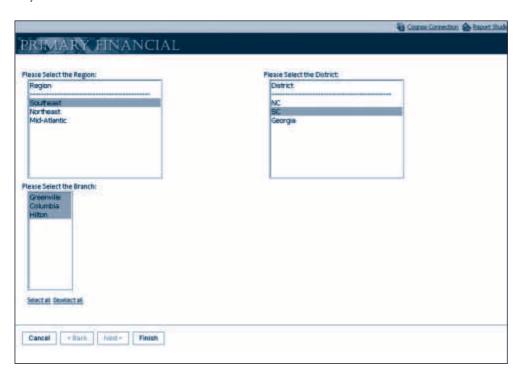


In this scenario, the revenues for Primary Financial are heavily dependent on mortgage revenue. In addition, there appears to be a vast disparity between branches with respect to growth rates and customer retention. The report created indicates the overall revenue, expenses, deposit levels, and customer retention statistics for each branch specified.

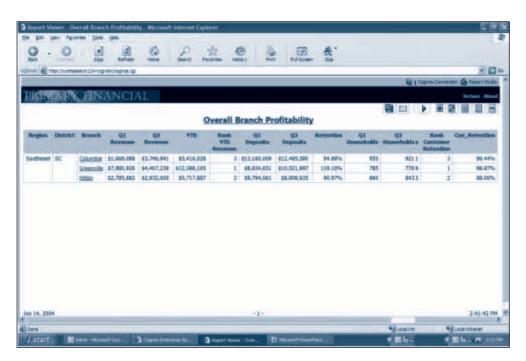
As a next step, executives are likely to look at performance by region. The regional manager will also want to regularly review his or her respective area of responsibility.

Steps:

- 1. Return to main reporting list.
- 2. Click on Overall Branch Profitability.
- 3. When prompted enter the region, district, and branch you are interested in.



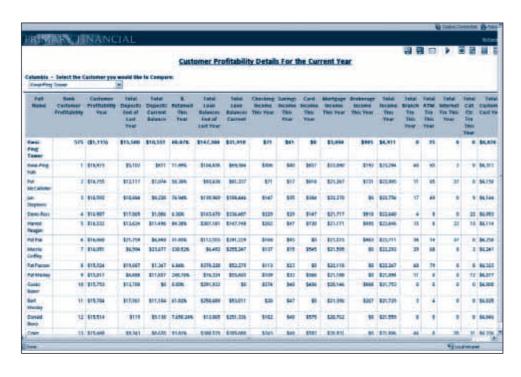
Click Finish.



In this scenario, the regional manager or branch manager will determine what action, if any, to take with respect to these three branches. For an even greater level of detail, the manager can see a report on any of the three branches shown by clicking on the branch name.

Steps:

- 1. Click on the Columbia link.
- 2. Click on the Details for the Current Year link.



CUSTOMER PROFITABILITY REPORTING

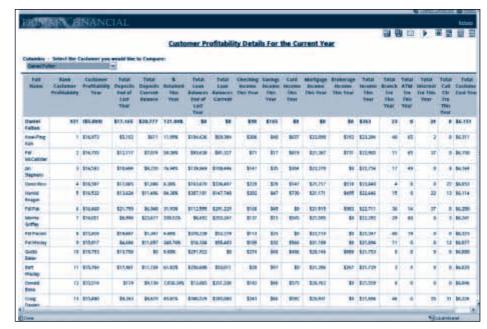
For customer service needs or cross-sell analysis, it is vital to have the full picture of a customer's relationship with the FSI. The following depicts an example of customer reporting with Cognos ReportNet.

Steps:

- 1. Remain within the report for the Columbia branch.
- 2. Select the customer Daniel Fulton from the customer pull-down.

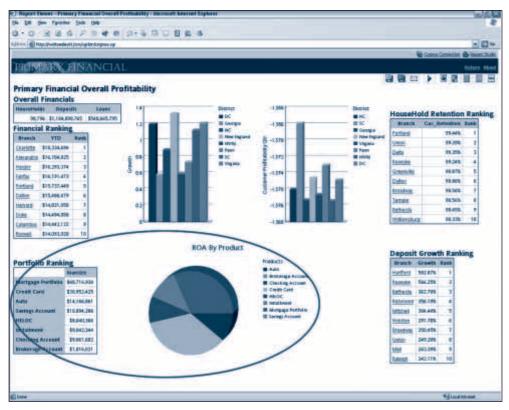
This report shows the entire relationship that the FSI has with the selected customer, including income from each product type, retention statistics, channel usage, cost, and total profitability.

Based on this analysis, a customer service representative may decide whether or not to waive a fee for the customer, or whether to hand the customer off to a retention specialist. Within another department, marketing for example, this report could be used as a basis for whether or not to cross-sell additional products to the customer.



PRODUCT PROFITABILITY REPORTING

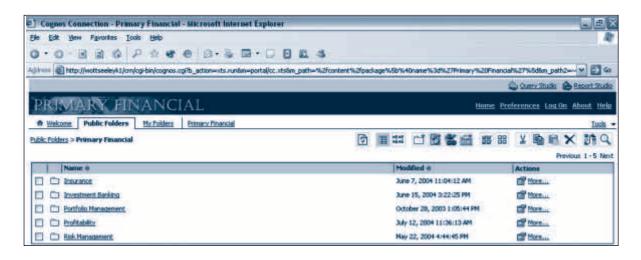
Product managers, in addition to executives, will be interested in the product profitability portion of the Overall Profitability Report.



The next step is to take a more detailed look at product profitability. The following scenario illustrates a series of reports that management can look at to get further product information.

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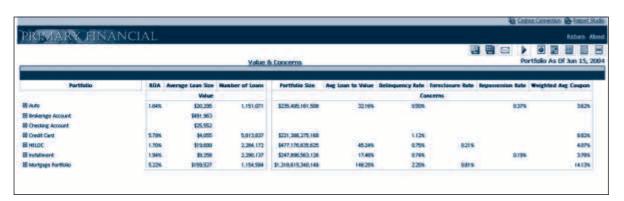
1. Return to the main reporting menu for Primary Financial.



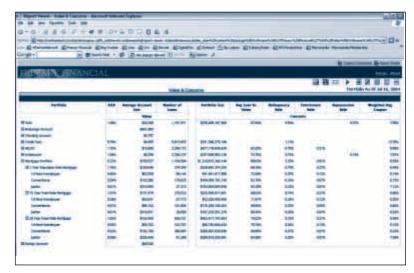
2. Click on the Portfolio Management link.



In this scenario, management wants to get a quick snapshot of key metrics across multiple product lines. In order to do so they can simply click on the Values and Concerns report link.

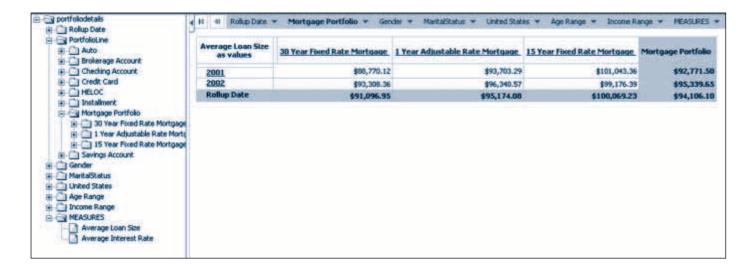


This report depicts key metrics for each type of product, including ROA, average account size, delinquencies (for loans), and average coupon rates. By clicking on the '+' sign next to each product type, the user receives more granular data at the product level. This screen shows performance of the mortgage products.



To expand further on this analysis, the user may choose to slice-and-dice product data by other dimensions, such as region, age, or gender. With Cognos PowerPlay®

analysis software, it is easy for the user to display the data in whatever format is desired.



SUMMARY

The preceding series of situations and screenshots depicts how the Cognos reporting platform makes it possible for executive management, regional and branch managers, customer service representatives, and product managers to gain visibility into overall, regional, branch, customer, and product profitability. The use of the same data and reports by users at all levels of the organization allows alignment of execution with strategy, a critical element in the Cognos corporate performance management (CPM) approach.

Whatever the complexity or size of the FSI, Cognos can deliver a Web-based process for profitability reporting. By capturing data across customer, products, and branches managers can create profitability objectives and measure succeeding performance against those objectives. At the same time, branches can be held accountable for performance and profitability.

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Cognos customers include:

- Nine of the top 10 U.S. banks
- Nine of the top 10 European banks
- Hundreds of financial services companies around the world.

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