

If you are using a VMimage it is recommended that you take a snapshot of it before you start these activities.

Activity A04_Revenue_Budgeting

Objectives:

This activity is designed to increase your knowledge and experience with TM1 10.2 Cognos Insight for modeling. In this activity an existing model is further extended and calculations added with IBM Cognos Insight.

Work in Cognos Insight to achieve the following:

- Modify existing dimensions to add a Budget Current Year into the List Price and Net revenue Cubes.
- Use spreading techniques to seed the budget.
- Amend existing cube calculations at both leaf and consolidated levels to create budgets.
- Use synchronization to ensure widgets are appropriately synchronized.
- Explore date entry techniques on the completed workspace.

How to use the resources for this activity:

This activity is designed to be used either for

- Initial learning on IBM Cognos Insight
- To practice skills already learnt.

In both cases read the information in this document describing the business scenario, the suggested solution and files that should be used.

Then, if you are **new to IBM Cognos Insight**, you can use both the **accompanying video** and **detailed activity step by step instructions** to guide you through the activity. The video and accompanying commentary shows and explains the steps that were taken to create the suggested solution. The activity outline document gives detailed step by step instructions with screen shots.

If you are **familiar with IBM Cognos Insight** and want to practice skills you already have you can use these student instructions to gain an understanding of the business scenario and what the suggested solution might be. Then you can carry out the activity and compare your solution with the screen shot below. If you require additional assistance at any point you can review the relevant parts of the video or outline document.

In addition, all activities, apart from the first one (A01_Simple_Revenue_Analysis), have a starting cdd file which can be opened with IBM Cognos Insight. In some cases these are identical to the completed cdd of the previous activity. In other cases there will be additional modelling included to allow you to focus on the main objectives of the activity. Always read the student instructions to gain an understanding of the activity and what has been supplied as a starting point.

Additional resources available for IBM internal staff and BA partners:

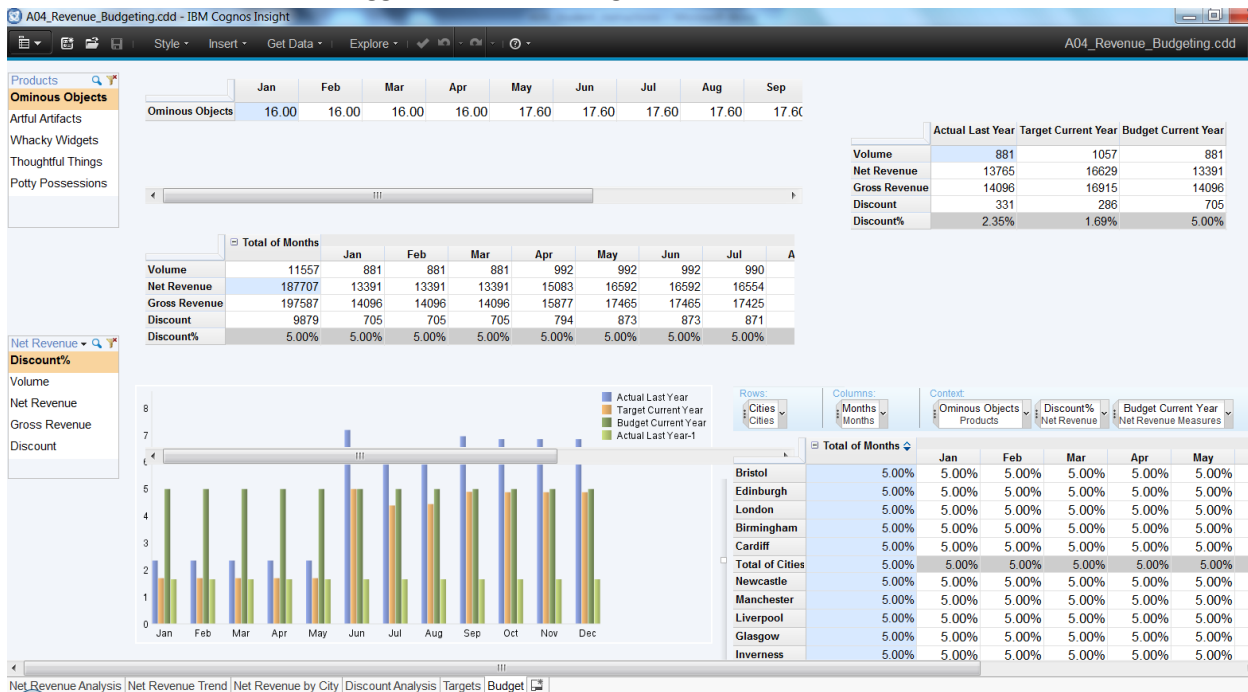
At each product release, enablement resources are published on W3 Connections and PartnerWorld. These include a number of product focused videos. These are useful learning resources which support these activities. To assist you to locate appropriate videos for each activity we are undertaking a review and cross reference of these videos. To allow this to remain current, maintain an accurate list of videos and correctly identify which ones support each activity we will create a reference document and included it as part of the program introduction. Please be aware that this document will change at each product release and as extra resources are created between releases.

Business Scenario:

The CFO was pleased with the target setting exercise and now wants to include budgets. He wants you to seed the budgets. For the List Price cube he wants the Budget List Prices to be a replication of the Target Current Year. Note: You can use spreading techniques to avoid having to copy paste across multiple dimensions.

For the Net revenue cube he has asked that you use the same cube calculations that you used in the Target Setting. He also wants to see how the different widgets can be made to synchronize with each other to make budget data entry easier for his budget managers.

Here is a screen shot of the suggested solution for guidance.



There are no files supplied for this activity.

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