Measure Values and Measure Names

The Data pane always contains a number of fields that do not come from your original data, two of which are **Measure Values** and **Measure Names**. Tableau automatically creates these fields so that you can build certain types of views that involve multiple measures.

* The **Measure Values** field contains all the measures in your data, collected into a single field with continuous values. Drag individual measure fields out of the Measure Values card to remove them from the view.
* The **Measure Names** field contains the names of all measures in your data, collected into a single field with discrete values.

## **How you can use Measure Names and Measure Values**

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**Measure Values** and **Measure Names** are in most respects like other fields in Tableau:

* You can display a filter for **Measure Names**.
* You can format **Measure Values**—the formatting is then inherited as the default formatting for all measures.
* You can drop **Measure Values** and **Measure Names** on shelves.
* You can assign aliases to the values for **Measure Names**.
* You can change the manual sort order for the values for **Measure Names**.