

# Brett Hinzman

Freelance Data & Financial Consultant

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## SUMMARY

Data-driven Analyst with Lean Six Sigma Black Belt and a Master's in Management. 10+ years of cross-industry experience optimizing processes, analyzing financial/operational data, and delivering actionable insights. Adept at advanced data visualization, strategic reporting, and continuous improvement. Skilled at client engagement, stakeholder communication, and adapting solutions to dynamic environments.

## CORE COMPETENCIES

- Cross-Functional Team Leadership & Stakeholder Management
- Data Analysis & Visualization (Excel, Tableau, Power BI)
- Financial Analysis, Forecasting & Budget Oversight
- Market Research & Competitive Analysis
- Performance Tracking & Benchmarking
- Strategic Reporting & Decision Support

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

### Freelance Data & Financial Consultant | Upwork | 2024–Present

- Developed custom financial models, market analyses, and strategic dashboards for clients.
- Translated complex datasets into intuitive visual reports, enabling data-driven decisions.
- Maintained top-rated freelancer status through timely deliverables, clear communication, and exceeding client expectations.

### Inventory Management Specialist | U.S. Army | 2021–2024

- Led Lean Six Sigma initiatives to streamline distribution workflows, reducing delays and waste.
- Created standardized instructions and visual guides, improving efficiency and compliance.
- Analyzed billing and supply data from 70+ installations, ensuring financial accuracy and resource alignment.
- Influenced leadership decisions through data-backed recommendations and concise reporting.

### Financial Management Analyst | U.S. Navy | 2019

- Processed multimillion-dollar funding documents with 100% accuracy, mitigating fiscal risks.
- Detected and resolved a \$1.5M discrepancy within the first month, improving financial controls.

### Additional Experience:

- **Warehouse Team Lead (Lidl):** Coordinated high-volume distribution, managed 60+ team members.
- **Analyst Intern (Merrill Edge):** Delivered SWOT analyses to 200+ senior leaders, supporting strategic decisions.

## EDUCATION & CERTIFICATIONS

- Lean Six Sigma Black Belt (CSSC), 2024
- M.S. in Management, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, 2023
- B.B.A. (Finance), Towson University, 2019