

Lesson 7

1. Import `Retail_Sales_Data.xlsx` into Power BI

- Open Power BI Desktop
 - Click **Home > Get Data > Excel**
 - Select `Retail_Sales_Data.xlsx` → Click **Open**
 - Select relevant sheets/tables → Click **Load**
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☒ 2. Create a table visual showing Region and Sales

- From **Visualizations**, choose the **Table** visual
 - Drag `Region` and `Sales` fields into **Values**
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☒ 3. Add a slicer for Product

- From **Visualizations**, choose the **Slicer** icon
 - Drag `Product` into the slicer field
 - Resize and position as needed
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☒ 4. Format the dashboard theme to "Dark Mode"

- Go to **View** tab
 - In **Themes**, select "**Dark**" or "**Dark Mode**" from the dropdown
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☒ 5. What is the purpose of the Data/Model view in Power BI?

View	Purpose
Data view	View and inspect raw data in loaded tables
Model view	Create relationships between tables, manage table structure and metadata

☒ 6. Build a dashboard with:

◆ A Bar Chart of Sales by Region:

- Insert **Clustered Bar Chart**

- Axis: `Region`, Values: `Sales`

◆ A Line Chart of Sales over Date:

- Insert **Line Chart**
- Axis: `Date`, Values: `Sales`

◆ A Card showing Total Profit:

- Insert **Card** visual
 - Drag `Profit` (or create a measure like `SUM(Profit)`) into it
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☒ 7. Add a Drill-through filter from Region to a detailed sales page

1. Create a new page → name it “**Sales Details**”
 2. Add a **Drill-through field** pane to this page
 3. Drag `Region` into the **Drill-through fields**
 4. Add detail visuals (e.g., sales by product, transaction)
 5. Now, right-click any `Region` in a visual → Drill through → Sales Details
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☒ 8. Use Conditional Formatting to highlight high-profit regions

1. Go to your **Bar/Column chart**
 2. Click the dropdown on `Data colors` in **Visual Format pane**
 3. Turn on **Conditional Formatting**
 4. Format by **Field value** or **rules**, using `Profit` as the field
 5. Set colors (e.g., red for low, green for high)
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☒ 9. Publish the dashboard to Power BI Service

1. Click **Home > Publish**
 2. Sign in if needed
 3. Select your **Workspace** (e.g., "My Workspace")
 4. Wait for upload confirmation
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☒ 10. Share the report with a colleague (simulate steps)

- Open Power BI Service (<https://app.powerbi.com>)
- Go to your report → Click **Share** (top-right)
- Enter your colleague's email → Add message (optional)
- Click **Send**

● Requires Pro license or content in a shared workspace.

☑ 11. Add a custom "Sales Growth %" measure using Quick Measures

1. Right-click your table → **New quick measure**
 2. Choose "**Percent difference from previous value**"
 3. Select `Sales` as the base value and `Date` as the axis
 4. Power BI will create the DAX for Sales Growth %
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☑ 12. Optimize dataset for faster refresh

- Go to **Power Query Editor**
 - Remove **unused columns** (right-click → Remove)
 - Filter unnecessary rows if needed
 - Disable auto date/time in **File > Options > Data Load**
 - Reduce model size by changing column types from text to whole number where possible
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☑ 13. Troubleshoot: Slicers not affecting all visuals

- Select the slicer
 - Click **Format > Edit Interactions**
 - Make sure all visuals are set to be **filtered** (not ignored)
 - Also check if visuals use **different tables** → Ensure proper **relationships exist** in Model view
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☑ 14. Embed dashboard into a PowerPoint presentation

1. Open the report in **Power BI Service**
 2. Click **File > Embed report > PowerPoint (Preview)**
 3. Copy the embed link OR click **Export > PowerPoint > Embed Live Data**
 4. You can also use **Insert > Power BI** from PowerPoint (with add-in)
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15. Set up a scheduled refresh for the dataset

1. Go to Power BI Service → **Workspace > Datasets**
2. Click . . . next to your dataset → **Settings**
3. Under **Scheduled refresh**:
 - Turn **On**
 - Set **time**, **frequency**, and **timezone**
4. Add **credentials** if needed (e.g., Windows, OAuth, etc.)