



# Identity Insights

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- Identity Insights
- Demo



# Intro



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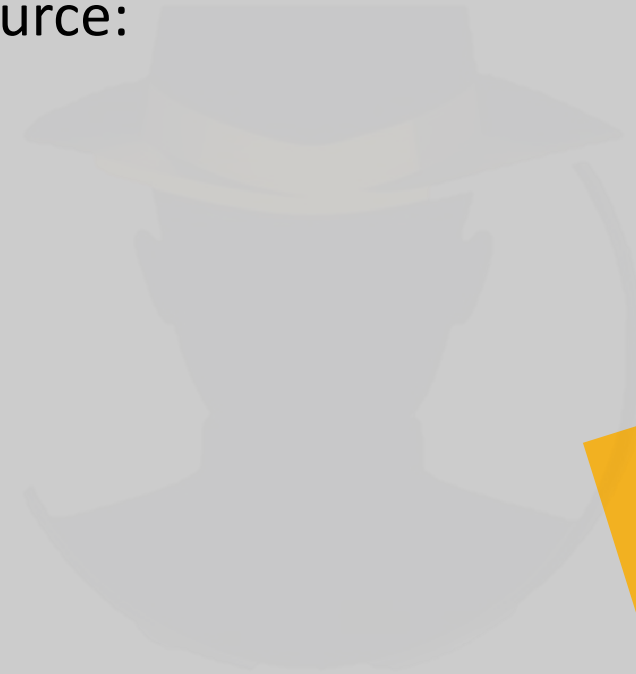
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# Intro



Working with Port of Rotterdam

Cool place to work, allowed me to share, to open source:  
<https://github.com/fortigi/IdentityInsights>



# Assumptions



You have done the basics

- Automated provisioning (from HR)
- MFA, Conditional Access
- Single Sign-On & SCIM
- Just in Time Access to critical stuff
- On a path to transition from AD to EntraID

What's next... Identity Governance



# What is Identity Governance?

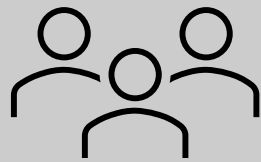


Identity **Governance** & Administration (IGA)

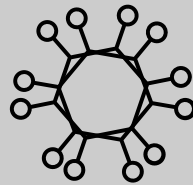
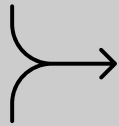
*“Governance is the process of making and enforcing decisions”*

Finding a way to “know” that the right **users** have the right **permissions** at the right time.

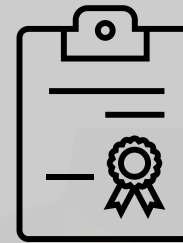
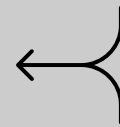
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Users



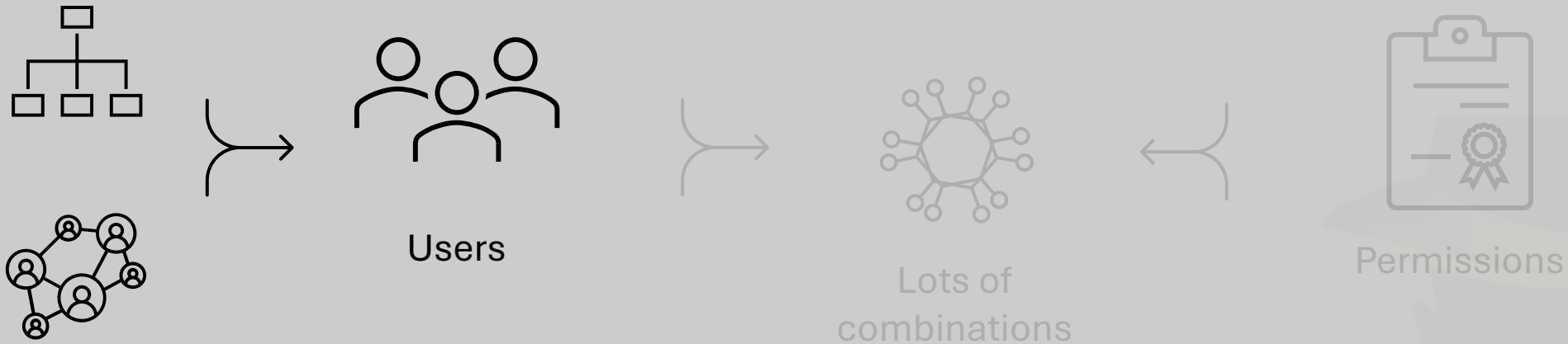
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Permissions



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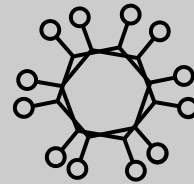
Do you know what a permission is for?

- Link to Application
- Link to team / owner
- Really hard, be we can try..

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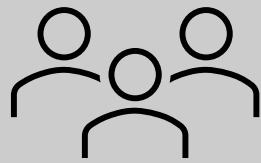


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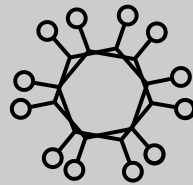
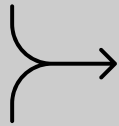
Do you know the right users have the right permissions?

- Lots of combinations
- Lots of changes over time
- Multiple people might have an opinion

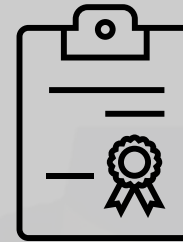
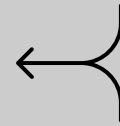
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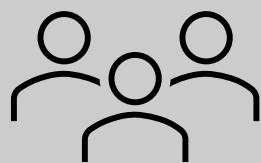


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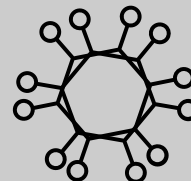
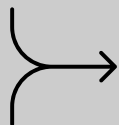


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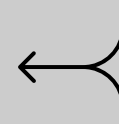
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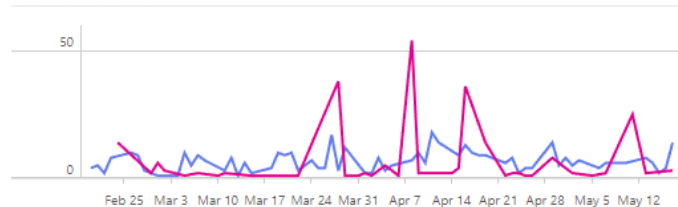


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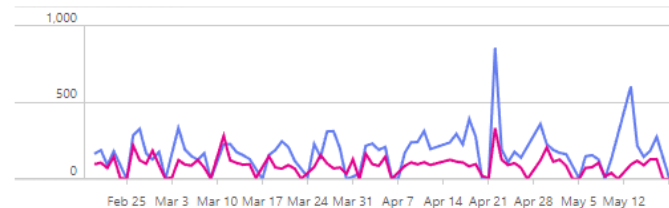
User add / delete last 90 days



Add user (Sum)  
**417**

Delete user (Sum)  
**246**

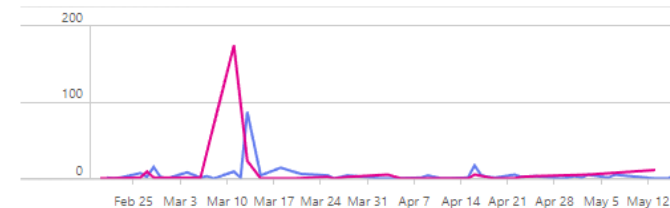
Members Added / Removed last 90 days



Add member to group (Sum)  
**13.9k**

Remove member from group (Sum)  
**7.36k**

Group Add / Delete last 90 days



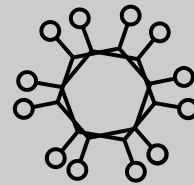
Add group (Sum)  
**292**

Delete group (Sum)  
**273**

# As I said...



Users



Lots of  
combinations



Permissions

- Lots of combinations
- Lots of changes over time

Without “help” it is impossible to know if the right users have the right permissions.

# The challenge



How to “know” that the current (and future) user / permission combinations are correct.



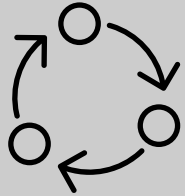
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1. Start with “knowing” you have the right users
  - Source of Authority
  - Chain of responsibility
2. Proceed with “knowing” your permissions
  - Link to app
  - Link to team/owner
  - Removing (a lot) of groups
3. Next, split the user/permission combinations into parts
  - Finding clusters (‘role mining’)
  - Create roles / access packages



# Entra Identity Governance



Life cycle workflows



Access Governance

- Access packages
  - Request & Approve
  - Dynamic
- Governance
  - Access Review
  - Approval logs
  - Grace periods



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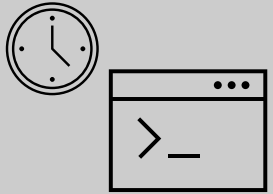
- AI will solve all this right?
  - Well possibly... I have heard about some cool features coming..
- What did we use before AI to solve for these kinds of challenges?
  - BI..... PowerBI...
- Introducing Identity Insights



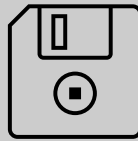
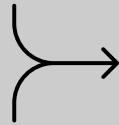


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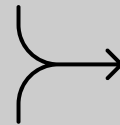
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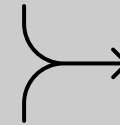
Scripts collect data  
Scheduled in automation



JSON Files  
Stored in Blob Storage

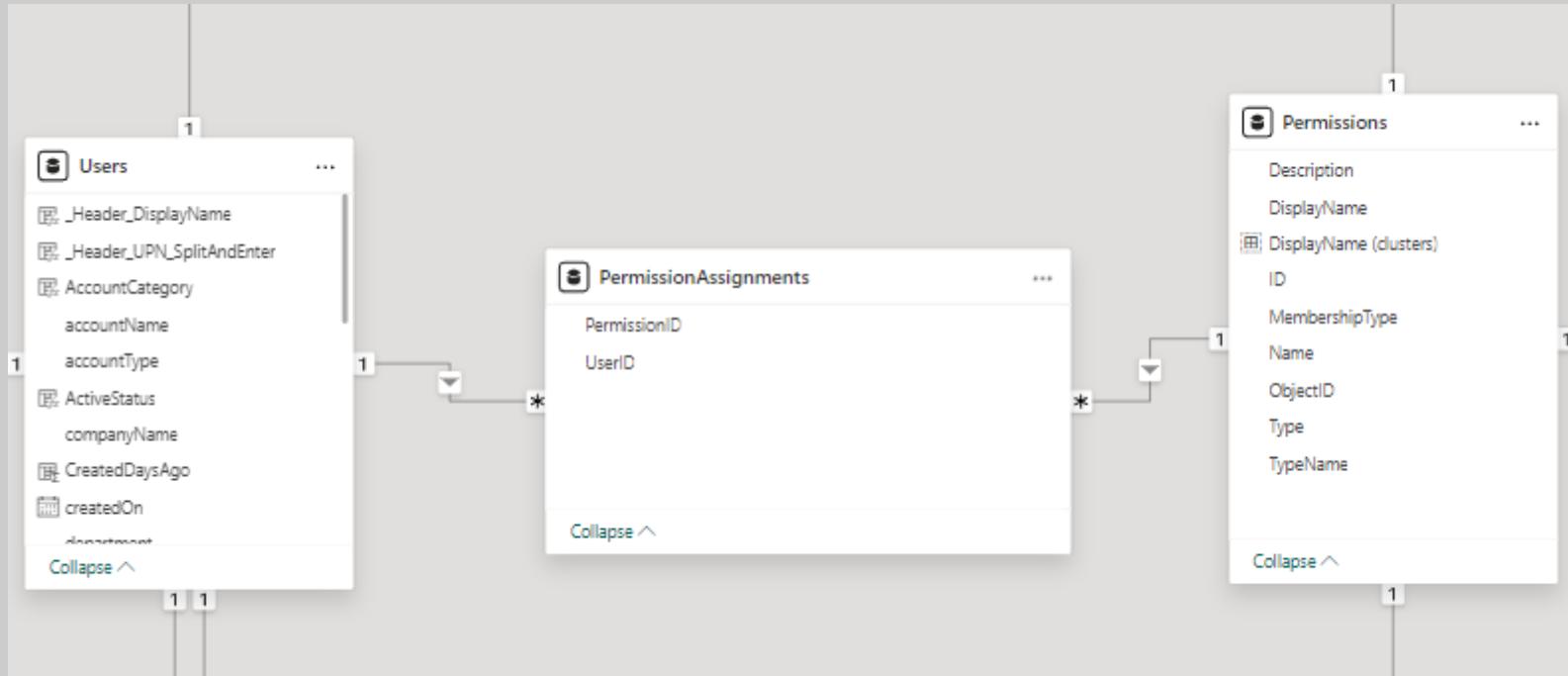


Joined & structured  
Using Power Query



Insights using  
PowerBI

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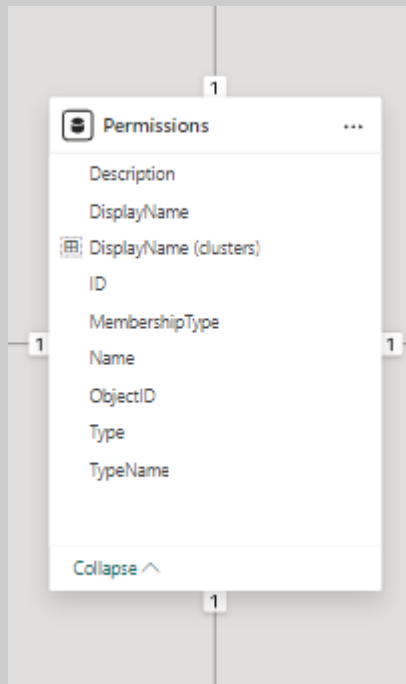


## Data model

*There is no ID in EntraID, there is only user.*



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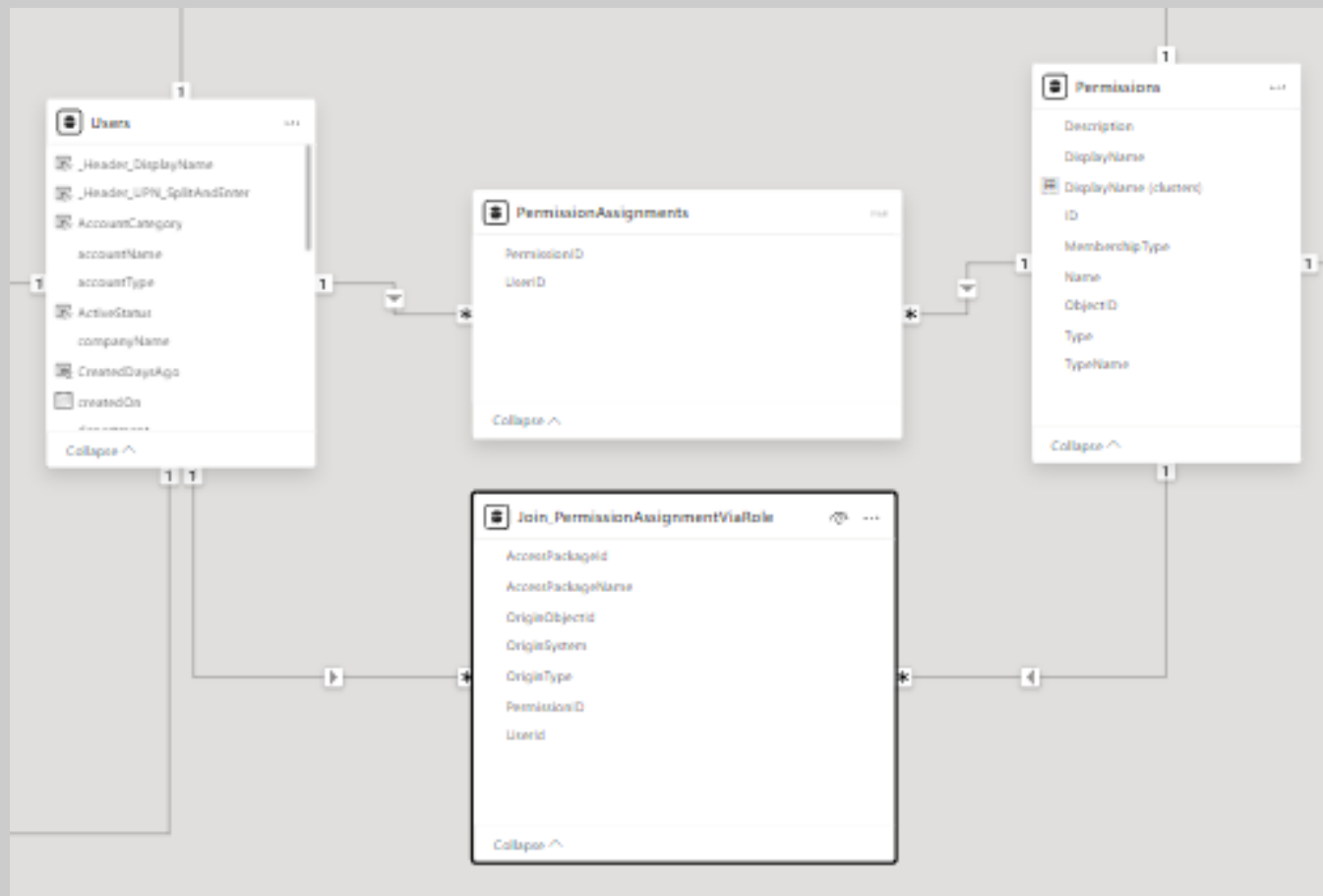


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4         "ID", "MSGraph.Group.Member|"&MSGraph_Group[id],  
5         "Name", MSGraph_Group[displayName],  
6         "ObjectID", MSGraph_Group[id],  
7         "Type", "MSGraph.Group.Member",  
8         "Description", MSGraph_Group[description],  
9         "TypeName", MSGraph_Group[GroupName_Calc],  
10        "MembershipType", MSGraph_Group[MembershipType_Calc]  
11    ),  
12    selectcolumns(MSGraph_Group,  
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14        "ID", "MSGraph.Group.Owner|"&MSGraph_Group[id],  
15        "Name", MSGraph_Group[displayName],  
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21    ),  
22    selectcolumns(MSGraph_Group,  
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Unions & Mappings make it flexible



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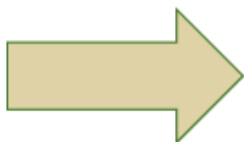


*Permission Assignment via Access Package*



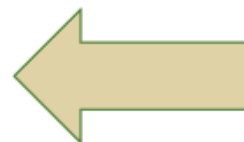
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Users



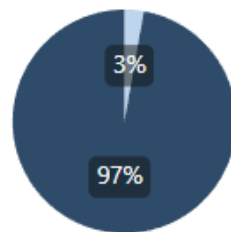
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User / Permission Assignments



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Permissions



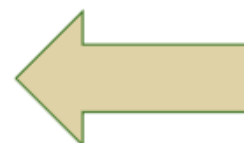
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Access Packages



4485

User / Permission Assignments from Access Packages



271

Permissions in Access Packages

# Role mining



Finding a sets of permissions that users matching a set of criteria have in common

*Example, which permissions can we (auto) assign to;*

- *all employees?*
- *all users in department y*
- *all users in department y with job title x*

This allows us to “know” for this set of user / permission combinations that they are correct.

# Role mining



Role mining in two steps;

1. Create a “filter” selecting a sub-set of your users and/or permissions
2. Find which permissions these users have in common
  - Look at percentages (Role %)
    - % of users with permission (in this scope)
    - % of users without permission (in this scope)
    - % of users with this permission (outside of this scope)
    - % role candidate
  - Looking for patterns...

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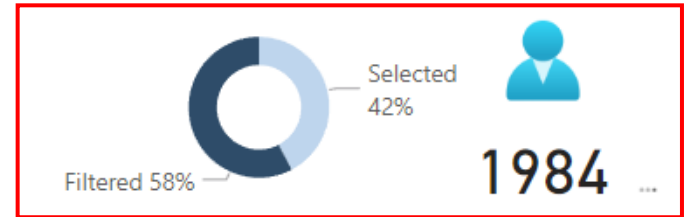


Filter

Role %

Role X

RBAC Notes



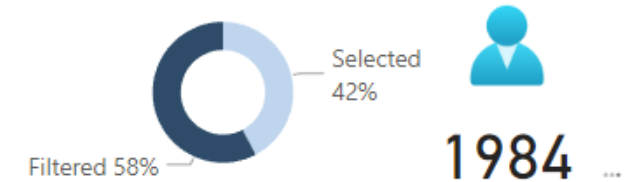
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_All_Users_Formeel (MSGraph.Group.Member)	Afdeling: POR\CEA\CC   1e eigenaar: BWF.Jacobs@portofrotterdam.com   2e eigenaar: jr.gevers@portofrotterdam.com	96.93	98.5	1954	30	1.56	73
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Users in Filter: 1984

# Role mining



Filter Role % Role X RBAC Notes

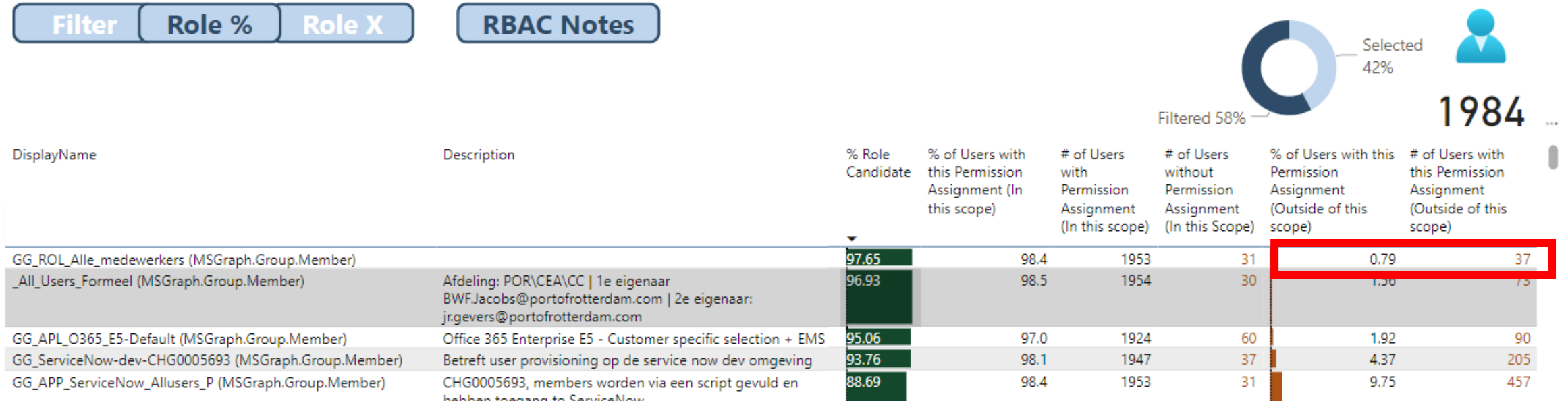


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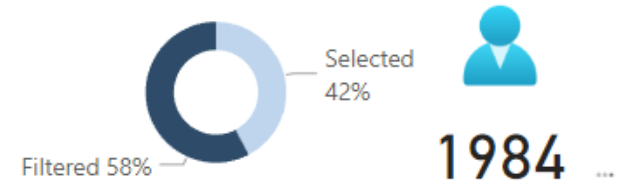
**37** users have this permission but are not in the filter.



# Role mining



Filter Role % Role X RBAC Notes



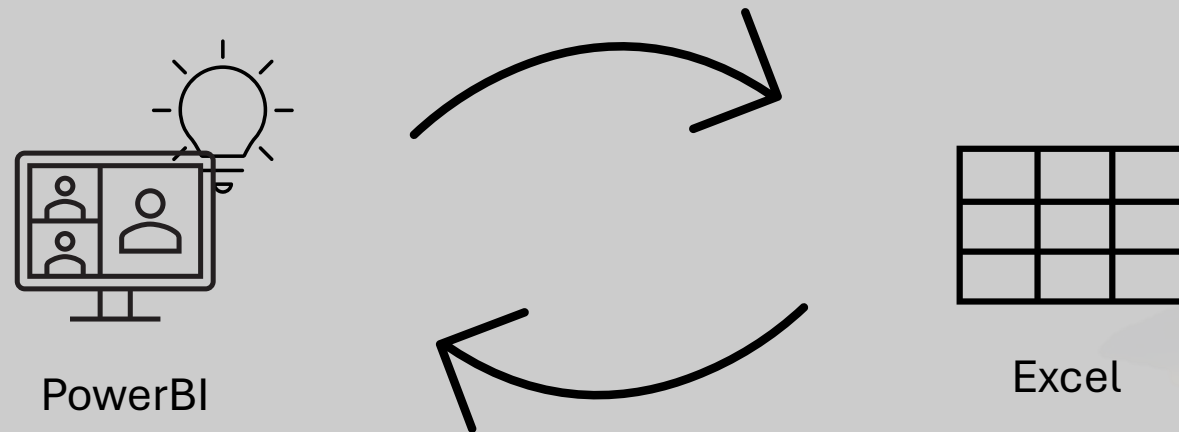
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# Filter noise.. Add notes



*Adding notes to your Power BI data*



Filtered 58% 1984 ...							
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GG_ROL_OGD_RegeditDeny (MSGraph.Group.Member)	Rolgroep met alle personen die in OurWorkplace mogen, exclusief de groep GG_ROL_OGD_RegeditAllow. Wordt automatisch geüpdate via de dwp-p-awe-aut01 taskscheduler	89.19	91.0	1805	179	1.79	84
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GG_ROL_Alle_medewerkers_Intern (MSGraph.Group.Member)		70.41	70.9	1407	577	0.51	24
OGD_Intune_iOS_Users (MSGraph.Group.Member)	Deze groep bevat alle gebruikers welke gebruik maken van de OGD policies	69.46	69.6	1381	603	0.15	7



## RBAC Notes

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### Permissions Notes

Exclude

All

Level

All

OwnedBy

All

☒ Select all

☒ (Blank)

☐ True



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