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Lesson 1: Using Excel as a Data Source for Power BI

Demo 1: Importing Files from a Local Folder

Import Data from an Excel File

- 1. Ensure that you have copied all folders from <code>Desktop/power-bi-quickstart</code> folder into *D:* drive before starting the lab.
- 2. In the **D:\Demofiles\Mod03** folder, run **Setup.cmd** as Administrator.
- 3. In the User Account Control dialog box, click Yes.
- 4. If prompted to continue this operation, type Y, and then press Enter.
- 5. When the script completes, press any key to close the window.
- 6. On the taskbar, click **Power BI Desktop**.
- 7. To close the getting started window, at the top-right of the window, click **X**.
- 8. In the **Power BI Desktop** window, click **Get data**.
- 9. In the Get Data dialog box, click Excel, and then click Connect.
- 10. In the **Open** dialog box, navigate to **D:\Demofiles\Mod03\Demo\Files for Import**, click **Sales.xlsx**, and then click **Open**.
- 11. In the **Navigator** window, click **Sales** to show a preview of the data. Use the horizontal scrollbar to display the columns, select the **Sales** check box, and then click **Load**.
- 12. When the load completes, in the **FIELDS** pane, point out the **Sales** table. Mention that Power BI has detected columns that can be used in aggregations, as indicated by the **Sum** symbol next to the column names.

Import Data from a CSV File

1. On the **Home** tab, click **Get Data**.

- 2. In the Get Data dialog box, click Text/CSV, and then click Connect.
- In the Open dialog box, navigate to D:\Demofiles\Mod03\Demo\Files for Import, click SalesPerson.csv, and then click Open.
- 4. In the preview window, drag the lower-right corner to enlarge the window and display more of the data, and then click **Load**.
- 5. In the **FIELDS** pane, expand the **SalesPerson** table to show the columns. Mention that the two tables from different sources are now available to use together in a report. If the report is published, the tables will be part of the same dataset.
- On the File menu, click Save As, name the report Adventure Works Sales 3, and then save to the D:\Demofiles\Mod03\Demo folder.
- 7. Leave Power BI open for the next demonstration.

Lesson 2: The Power BI Data Model

Demo 1: Creating a Hierarchy

Creating a Hierarchy

- 1. In the **FIELDS** pane, under **Sales**, right-click **Country**, and then click **New hierarchy**. The new hierarchy column is added.
- 2. Right-click Territory, point to Add to hierarchy, and then click Country Hierarchy.
- 3. Right-click State Province, point to Add to hierarchy, and then click Country Hierarchy.
- 4. Right-click City, point to Add to hierarchy, and then click Country Hierarchy.
- 5. Right-click Country Hierarchy, click Rename, type Region Hierarchy, and then press Enter.
- 6. In the FIELDS pane, under Sales, drag the Total Due column to the report canvas to create a new chart.
- 7. Drag the Region Hierarchy to the Axis in the VISUALIZATIONS pane.
- 8. Resize and move the chart on the canvas so it fills the report canvas.
- 9. In the FIELDS pane, under Sales, click the Total Due column to give it focus.
- 10. On the Modeling tab, click Format: General, point to Currency, and then click \$ English (United States).

Using a Hierarchy

- 11. In the top right-hand corner of the chart, click **Click to turn on Drill Down**. Notice that the arrow icon is now black.
- 12. Click the **United States** column in the chart to show the data by Territory. Notice that the chart title has changed.
- 13. Click the **Northwest** column, and again, notice that the chart title changes.
- 14. Click the **Oregon** column. Notice that the title of the chart has changed, and the down arrow in the top left-hand corner is disabled.
- 15. Click the **Drill Up** icon to return to the State Province level.

- 16. Click the **Drill Up** icon to return to the Territory level.
- 17. Click the **Expand all down one level in the hierarchy** icon to see the Total Due by Country, Territory, and State Province.
- 18. Leave Power BI open for the next demonstration.

Lesson 3: Using Databases as a Data Source for Power BI

Demo 1: Importing Data from SQL Server

Import Data from SQL Server

- 1. On the Home tab, click the Get Data arrow, and then click SQL Server.
- In the SQL Server database dialog box, in the Server box, type localhost, in the Database (optional) box, type AdventureWorks, and then click OK.
- If the SQL Server database dialog box appears, ensure the Windows tab is selected, click Use my current credentials, and then click Connect.
- 4. If the Encryption Support dialog box appears, click OK.
- 5. In the **Navigator** window, select the **Sales.vSalesPerson** and **Sales.vStoreWithDemographics** check boxes, and then click **Load**.
- 6. If the Connection settings window appears, ensure Import is selected, and then click OK.

Import Data Using a Query

- 1. On the Home tab, click the Get Data arrow, and then click SQL Server.
- In the SQL Server database dialog box, in the Server box, type localhost, in the Database (optional) box, type AdventureWorks.
- 3. Expand Advanced options, and in the SQL statement (optional, required database) box, type SELECT * FROM [Production].[Product], and then click OK.
- 4. In the **localhost: AdventureWorks** window, a preview of the data is displayed, and then click **Transform Data**.
- 5. In Power Query Editor, in the **ProductSubcategoryID** column, click the filter icon, and then click **Remove Empty**.
- 6. In the Queries pane, right-click Query1, click Rename, type Products, and then click Close & Apply.