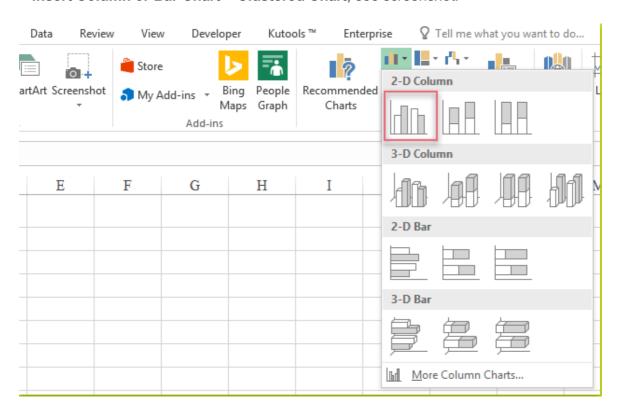


DO YOU KNOW

How to create a bar chart overlaying another bar chart in Excel?

When we create a clustered bar or column chart with two data series, the two data series bars will be shown side by side. But, sometimes, we need to use the overlay or overlapped bar chart to compare the two data series more clearly. In this article, we will talk about how to create an overlapped bar chart in Excel.

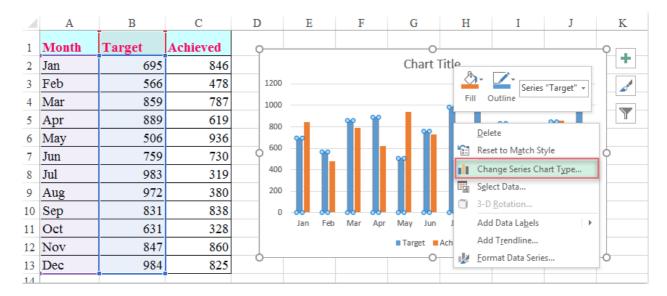
1. Select the data range that you want to create an overlapped chart, and then click **Insert** > **Insert Column or Bar Chart** > **Clustered Chart**, see screenshot:



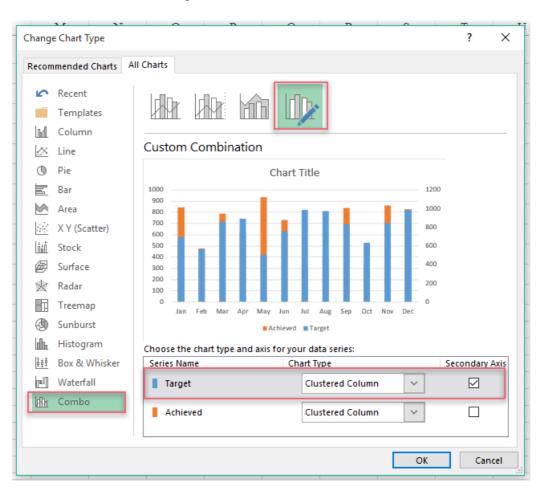
2. After creating the clustered chart, right-click one series bar, and then choose **Change Series Chart Type** from the context menu, see screenshot:







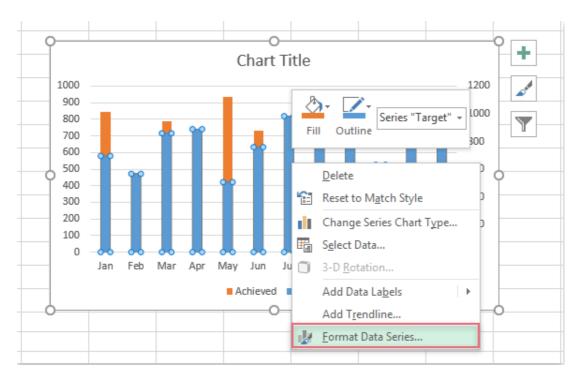
3. In the **Change Chart Type** dialog box, click **Combo** in the left pane under the **All Charts** tab, and then click **Custom Combination chart** in the right section, and check one checkbox in the **Secondary Axis** list, see screenshot:



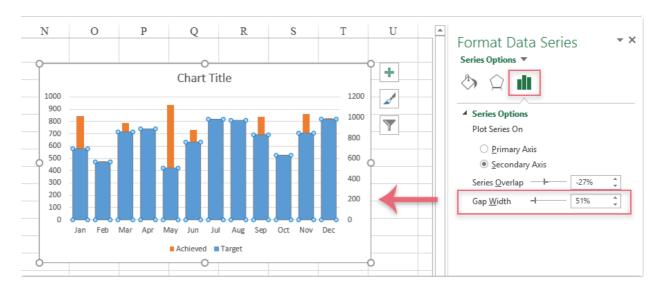
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4. Then click **OK** to close the dialog box, go on selecting the data series bar, and right click, choose **Format Data Series**... from the context menu, see screenshot:



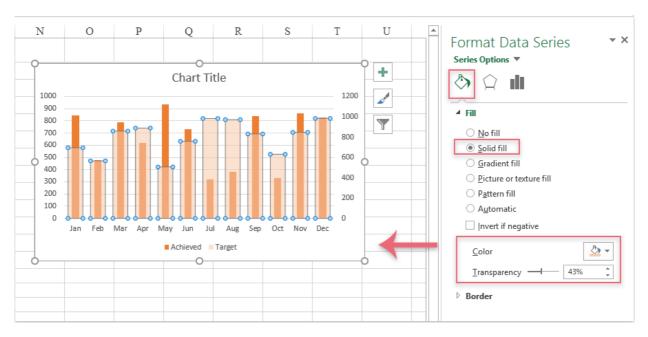
5. In the popping up **Format Data Series** pane, click **Series Options** button, adjust the **Gap Width** to make the bar wider or narrower as your need, see screenshot:



6. Then click **Fill & Line** button, click **Fill** to expand it, in the **Fill** section, select **Solid fill** option, and then select the same color with another data series, at the same time, increase the transparency, you will get the following overlapping bar chart:

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THANK YOU

