

POWER BI PROJECT REPORT: FINANCIAL DATA ANALYSIS

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1. Project Overview

Project Title: Financial Data Analysis and Visualization

using Power BI

Objective: The goal of this project is to analyze sales and financial data, perform time-based calculations, and create an interactive dashboard using Power BI. This project demonstrates expertise in data modeling, DAX calculations, and visualization techniques.

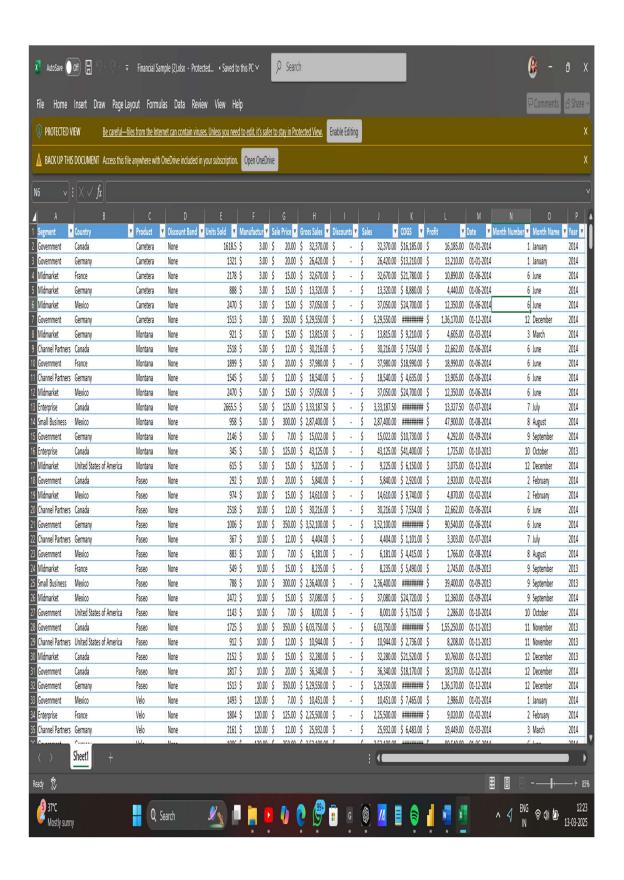
2. Data Source

Dataset Used: Financial Sample.xlsx

Source Type: Excel Spreadsheet

Key Columns in Dataset:

- Date
- Country
- Segment (Enterprise, Government, Channel Partners)
- Product Category
- Sales Revenue
- Profit
- Discount %



3. Data Preparation and Cleaning

I followed a structured approach to clean and prepare the data before analysis:

3.1 Importing the Data

- Opened Power BI Desktop and selected Get Data → Excel Workbook.
- Connected to Financial Sample.xlsx and loaded the dataset into Power BI.

3.2 Data Cleaning and Transformation

- Checked for missing values using the Power Query Editor.
 - Used Remove Empty Rows and Replace Values where applicable.
- Formatted the date column to ensure proper time-based calculations.
 - $_{\circ}$ Converted date fields to Date/Time format.
- Created new calculated columns where necessary, using DAX expressions.
 - Example: Extracting the year from the date field using:

- Ensured proper data types for numerical fields such as revenue and profit.
- Created relationships between tables (if applicable) using the Manage Relationships feature.
- Renamed columns and standardized naming conventions to maintain clarity.

4. Data Analysis using DAX (Data Analysis Expressions)

To derive meaningful insights, I implemented DAX calculations for various financial metrics.

4.1 Calculated Measures

1. Total Sales

2. Total Profit

3. Profit Margin (%)

4. Discount Impact on Revenue

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Discount Impact = SUM(Sales[Revenue]) * (SUM(Sales[Discount %]) / 100)
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4.2 Time Intelligence Calculations

1. Sales Last Year

2. Sales Growth (%)

Sales Growth % = DIVIDE([Total Sales] - [Sales LY], [Sales LY], 0) * 100

3. Running Total Sales

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Running Sales = CALCULATE([Total Sales], DATESYTD(Sales[Date]))
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5. Dashboard Development and Visualizations

I created an interactive dashboard in Power BI to present insights visually. The dashboard consists of:

5.1 Key Performance Indicators (KPIs)

- Total Sales (Current vs Prior Year)
- Total Profit
- Profit Margin
- Discount % Impact on Sales



5.2 Charts and Visuals

1. Bar Chart: Orders by Country



2. Column Chart: Profit Margin by Country



3. Pie Chart: % of Discounts Offered (Low, Medium, High)



4. Line Chart: Sales Trend Over Time



5. Stacked Bar Chart: Profit Margin by Segment and Products



5.3 Filters and Interactivity

Slicers for Year, Segment, and Country

- Drill-through capabilities to analyze data at different levels
- Dynamic filters for comparative analysis

6. Business Insights and Findings

- Germany and France have the highest profit margins (~14.8%),
 while the United States has the lowest (~11%).
- Channel Partners segment has the highest profit margin (~68%), while Enterprise segment is unprofitable (-2.92%).
- **High discounts (57.8%) impact revenue significantly**, while low discounts (9.6%) contribute to better margins.
- Sales show a strong upward trend over time, with significant growth in recent years.

7. Conclusion and Learnings

This project helped me strengthen my Power BI skills in:

- Data modeling and transformation using Power Query.
- Advanced DAX calculations for financial analysis.
- Building dynamic and interactive dashboards to present insights effectively.
- Time intelligence analysis to compare sales trends over different periods.

8. Future Improvements

- Integrate SQL database instead of Excel for real-time data updates.
- Implement forecasting techniques using Power BI's predictive analytics.
- Enhance dashboard UI/UX with custom visuals and themes.

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