

2.5 LESSON NOTES

CREATING A DATA SOURCE

Connecting to Google Sheets Data

STEP 1 - Choose data connector

- Select Google Sheets data connector
- The 1st time you use connector you will be asked to authorise Data Studio to connect to your Google Drive

STEP 2 - Choose data source

- Select Google Sheets file then the sheet within the file that you want to connect to
- You can only connect to one sheet at a time
- If you have no header row then uncheck “Use first row as header”
- It’s up to you whether you choose to include hidden and filtered cells

STEP 3 - Check the schema

- You can rename any fields by just clicking on them
- Make sure that Data Studio has assigned the correct data type to your fields and modify where necessary
- For metrics, change the default aggregator where you will want to be using one other than SUM, e.g. AVG
- **Record count** metric added to every Google Sheets data source in case the data does not contain any metrics