

# Designing a Data Model with Power BI Desktop



# Agenda

- Modeling Data in Power BI Desktop
- Understanding Table Relationships
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# Data Modeling with Power BI Desktop

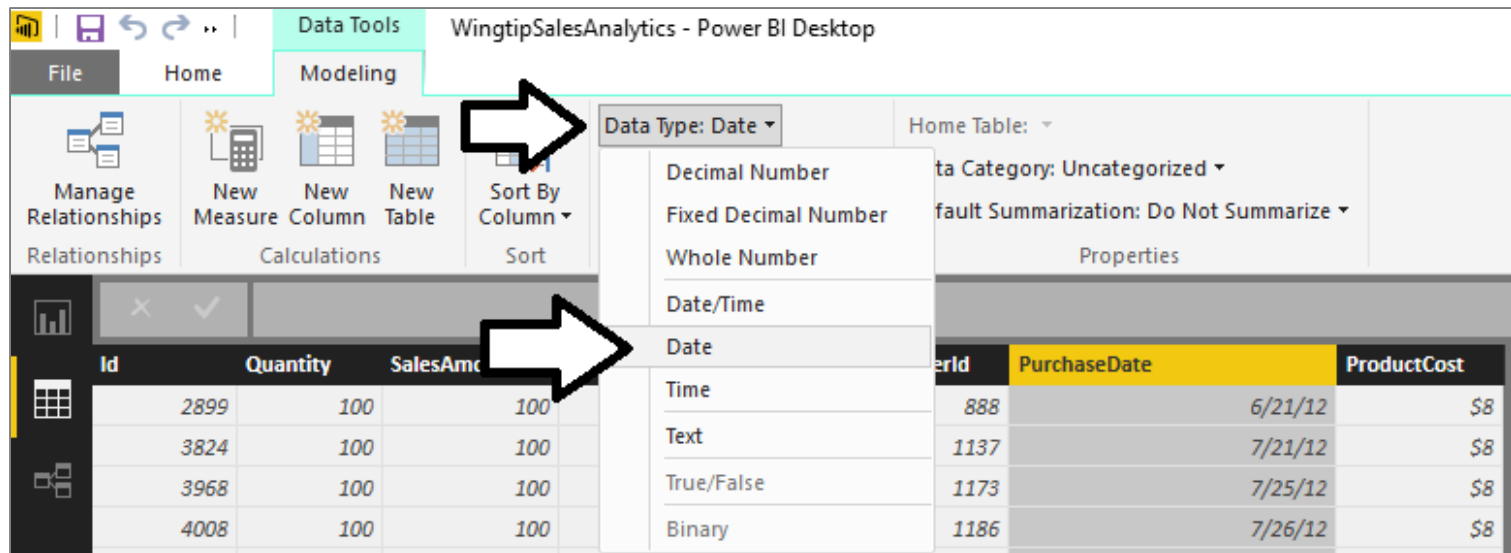
- Steps to create a data model with Power Pivot
  - Create relationships between tables
  - Modify columns (rename, set formatting, convert type)
  - Create calculated columns
  - Create measures
  - Add column metadata
  - Create dimensional hierarchies
  - Add Calendar table(s)

Covered in next module



# Converting Column Types

- Power Pivot allows you to convert columns
  - Alternative to converting column with Power Query



The screenshot shows the Power BI Desktop interface with the 'Modeling' tab selected. The 'Data Type' dropdown menu is open, showing options: Decimal Number, Fixed Decimal Number, Whole Number, Date/Time, Date, Time, Text, True/False, and Binary. A large white arrow points from the 'Sort By Column' button to the 'Data Type' dropdown. Another large white arrow points from the 'Date' option in the dropdown to the 'PurchaseDate' column in the data table.

| Id   | Quantity | SalesAmt |
|------|----------|----------|
| 2899 | 100      | 100      |
| 3824 | 100      | 100      |
| 3968 | 100      | 100      |
| 4008 | 100      | 100      |

| ProductID | PurchaseDate | ProductCost |
|-----------|--------------|-------------|
| 888       | 6/21/12      | \$8         |
| 1137      | 7/21/12      | \$8         |
| 1173      | 7/25/12      | \$8         |
| 1186      | 7/26/12      | \$8         |



# Formatting Columns

- Each column has its own formatting properties
  - Formatting propagated to reports and visuals
  - Makes it easier on data model consumers

The screenshot shows the Power BI Desktop interface with the 'Modeling' ribbon selected. The ribbon includes options for 'Manage Relationships', 'New Measure', 'New Column', 'New Table', and 'Sort Column'. The 'Sort Column' option is highlighted with a black arrow. The 'Data Type' is set to 'Fixed Decimal Number', and the 'Format' is set to '\$ English (United States)'. The 'Home Table' is set to 'Sales', and the 'Data Category' is 'Uncategorized'. The 'Default Summarization' is 'Sum'. The data table below shows columns for 'Id', 'Quantity', 'SalesAmount', 'InvoiceId', 'ProductId', 'CustomerId', 'PurchaseDate', and 'ProductCost'. The 'SalesAmount' column is highlighted in yellow.

| Id   | Quantity | SalesAmount | InvoiceId | ProductId | CustomerId | PurchaseDate             | ProductCost |
|------|----------|-------------|-----------|-----------|------------|--------------------------|-------------|
| 2899 | 100      | \$100.00    | 1457      | 14        | 888        | Thursday, June 21, 2012  | \$8         |
| 3824 | 100      | \$100.00    | 1901      | 14        | 1137       | Saturday, July 21, 2012  | \$8         |
| 3968 | 100      | \$100.00    | 1969      | 14        | 1173       | Wednesday, July 25, 2012 | \$8         |
| 4008 | 100      | \$100.00    | 1987      | 14        | 1186       | Thursday, July 26, 2012  | \$8         |
| 4224 | 100      | \$100.00    | 2096      | 14        | 1239       | Friday, August 3, 2012   | \$8         |
| 4724 | 100      | \$100.00    | 2352      | 14        | 1390       | Sunday, August 19, 2012  | \$8         |

The 'Fields' pane on the right shows a search bar and a list of tables: Customers, Products, Purchases, and Sales. The 'Sales' table is selected.



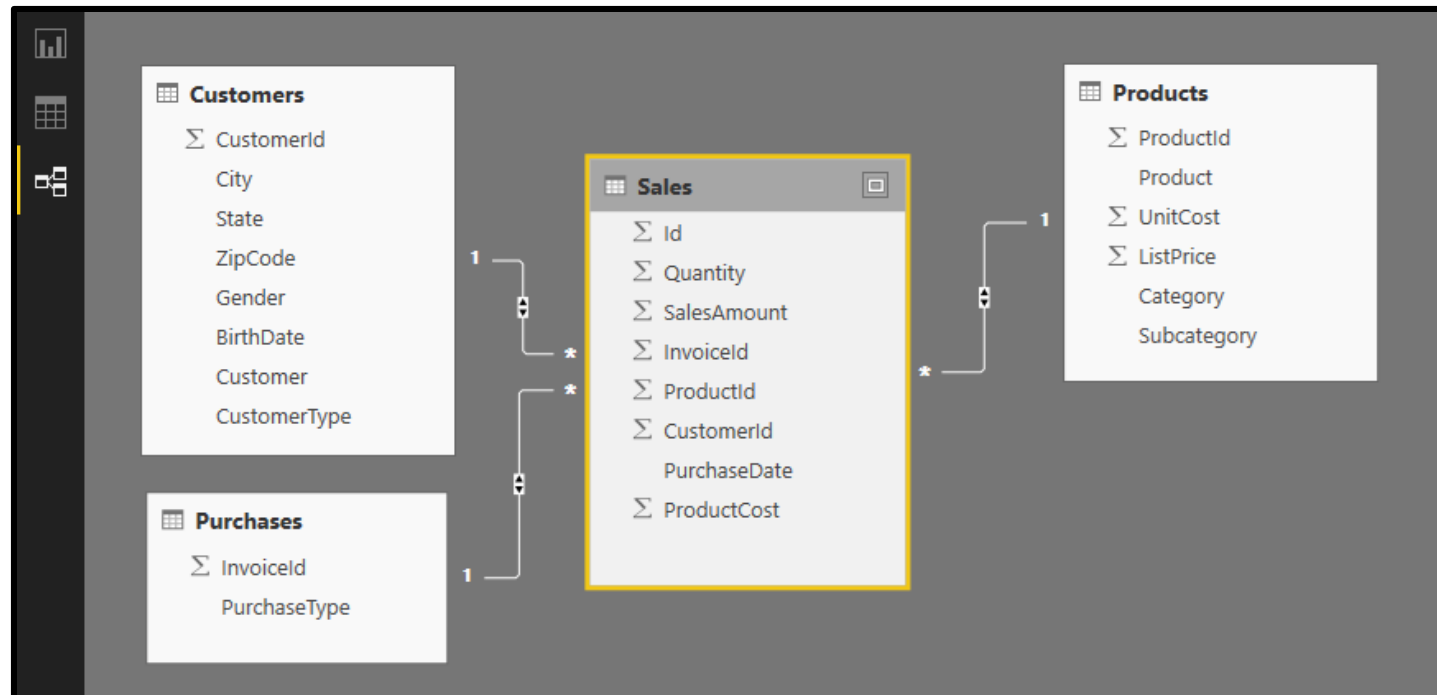
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# Table Relationships

- Tables in data model associated with relationships
  - Relationships based on single columns
  - Tabular model supports [1-to-1] and [1-to-many] relationships
  - Relationships based on single column in each table





# Relationship Properties

- Cardinality

Cardinality

Many to One (\*:1)

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One to One (1:1)

One to Many (1:\*)

- Cross filter direction

Cross filter direction

Both

Single

Both

Edit Relationship

Select tables and columns that relate to one another.

Sales

| Id   | Quantity | SalesAmount | InvoiceId | ProductId | CustomerId | PurchaseDate             | ProductCost |
|------|----------|-------------|-----------|-----------|------------|--------------------------|-------------|
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Customers

| CustomerId | City     | State | ZipCode | Gender | BirthDate                | Customer        | CustomerType    |
|------------|----------|-------|---------|--------|--------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| 55         | San Jose | CA    | 95110   | Female | Thursday, March 10, 1949 | Jewell Ryan     | Repeat Customer |
| 73         | San Jose | CA    | 95123   | Male   | Thursday, May 9, 1985    | Granville Perry | Repeat Customer |
| 74         | San Jose | CA    | 95122   | Female | Tuesday, June 19, 1979   | Sheri Mercado   | Repeat Customer |

Cardinality

Many to One (\*:1)

Cross filter direction

Both

☒ Make this relationship active

OK Cancel





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# Working with DAX

- DAX is the language used to create data model
  - DAX stands for "Data Analysis Expression Language"
- DAX expressions are similar to Excel formulas
  - They always start with an equal sign (=)
  - DAX provides many built-in functions similar to Excel
- DAX Expressions are unlike Excel formulas...
  - DAX expressions cannot reference cells (e.g. A1 or C4)
  - Instead DAX expressions reference columns and tables

```
=SUM('Sales' [SalesAmount])
```



# Writing DAX Expressions

- Some DAX expressions are simple

```
Sales Revenue = Sum(Sales[SalesAmount])
```

- Some DAX expressions are far more complex

```
Sales Growth PM = IF(
  ( ISFILTERED(Calendar[Month]) && ISFILTERED(Calendar[Date]) = FALSE() ),
  DIVIDE(
    SUM(Sales[SalesAmount]) -
    CALCULATE(
      SUM(Sales[SalesAmount]),
      PREVIOUSMONTH(Calendar[Date])
    ),
    CALCULATE(
      SUM(Sales[SalesAmount]),
      PREVIOUSMONTH(Calendar[Date])
    )
  ),
  BLANK()
)
```



# Types of DAX Functions

- Date and Time Functions
- Information Functions
- Logical Functions
- Mathematical and Trigonometric Functions
- Statistical Functions
- Filter Functions
- Text Functions
- Time Intelligence Functions



# Calculated Columns vs Measures

- Calculated Columns (aka Columns)
  - Evaluated based on context of a single row
  - Evaluated when data is loaded into memory

`Column1 = <DAX expression>`

- Measures
  - Evaluated at query time based on current filter context
  - Commonly used for aggregations (e.g. SUM, AVG, etc.)
  - Used more frequently than calculated columns

`Measure1 = <DAX expression>`



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# When to Create Calculated Columns

- Measures often better choice than calculate columns
  - Don't create calculated column when you need a measure
  - Prefer to create calculated columns only in specific scenarios
- When should you create calculated columns?
  - To create headers for row labels or column labels
  - To place calculated results in a slicer for filtering
  - Define an expression strictly bound to current row
  - Categories text or numbers (e.g. customer age groups)





# Creating Calculated Columns

- Edited in formula bar of Power Pivot data view
  - Start with name and then equals (=) sign
  - Enter a valid DAX expression
  - Clicking on column adds it into expression

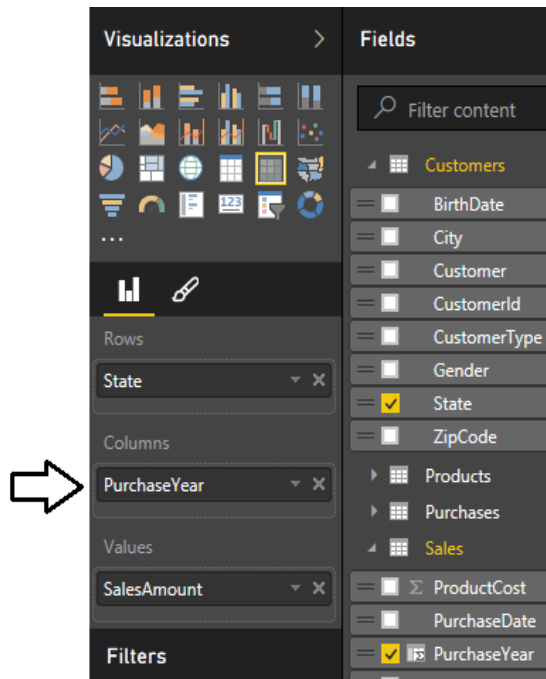


| PurchaseYear = YEAR(Sales[PurchaseDate]) |          |             |           |           |            |              |             |             |              |
|--|----------|-------------|-----------|-----------|------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|
| Id                                       | Quantity | SalesAmount | InvoiceId | ProductId | CustomerId | PurchaseDate | ProductCost | SalesProfit | PurchaseYear |
| 2899                                     | 100      | \$100.00    | 1457      | 14        | 888        | 6/21/12      | \$8.00      | \$92.00     | 2012         |
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| 4224                                     | 100      | \$100.00    | 2096      | 14        | 1239       | 8/3/12       | \$8.00      | \$92.00     | 2012         |
| 4724                                     | 100      | \$100.00    | 2352      | 14        | 1390       | 8/19/12      | \$8.00      | \$92.00     | 2012         |



# Calculated Column as a Column Label

- Calculate column can serve as...
  - Row labels
  - Column labels



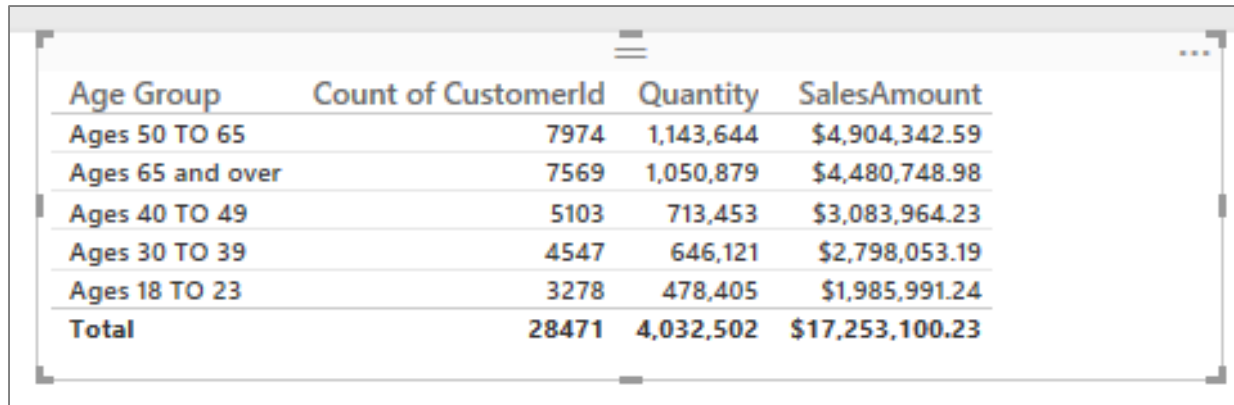
| State | 2012         | 2013         | 2014         | 2015         | Total          |
|-------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|----------------|
| CA    | \$270,926.32 | \$550,160.02 | \$737,878.53 | \$770,402.11 | \$2,329,366.98 |
| TX    | \$212,085.08 | \$490,643.98 | \$683,079.11 | \$919,030.36 | \$2,304,838.53 |
| FL    | \$51,730.85  | \$300,866.87 | \$535,693.94 | \$891,344.92 | \$1,779,636.58 |
| NC    | \$11,018.02  | \$164,804.24 | \$315,139.92 | \$448,638.72 | \$939,600.90   |
| NY    | \$24,207.43  | \$165,046.23 | \$256,294.27 | \$430,971.24 | \$876,519.17   |
| GA    | \$40,305.80  | \$152,807.51 | \$239,451.05 | \$417,037.28 | \$849,601.64   |





# Calculated Column as a Row Label

- Age Group can now be used as row label

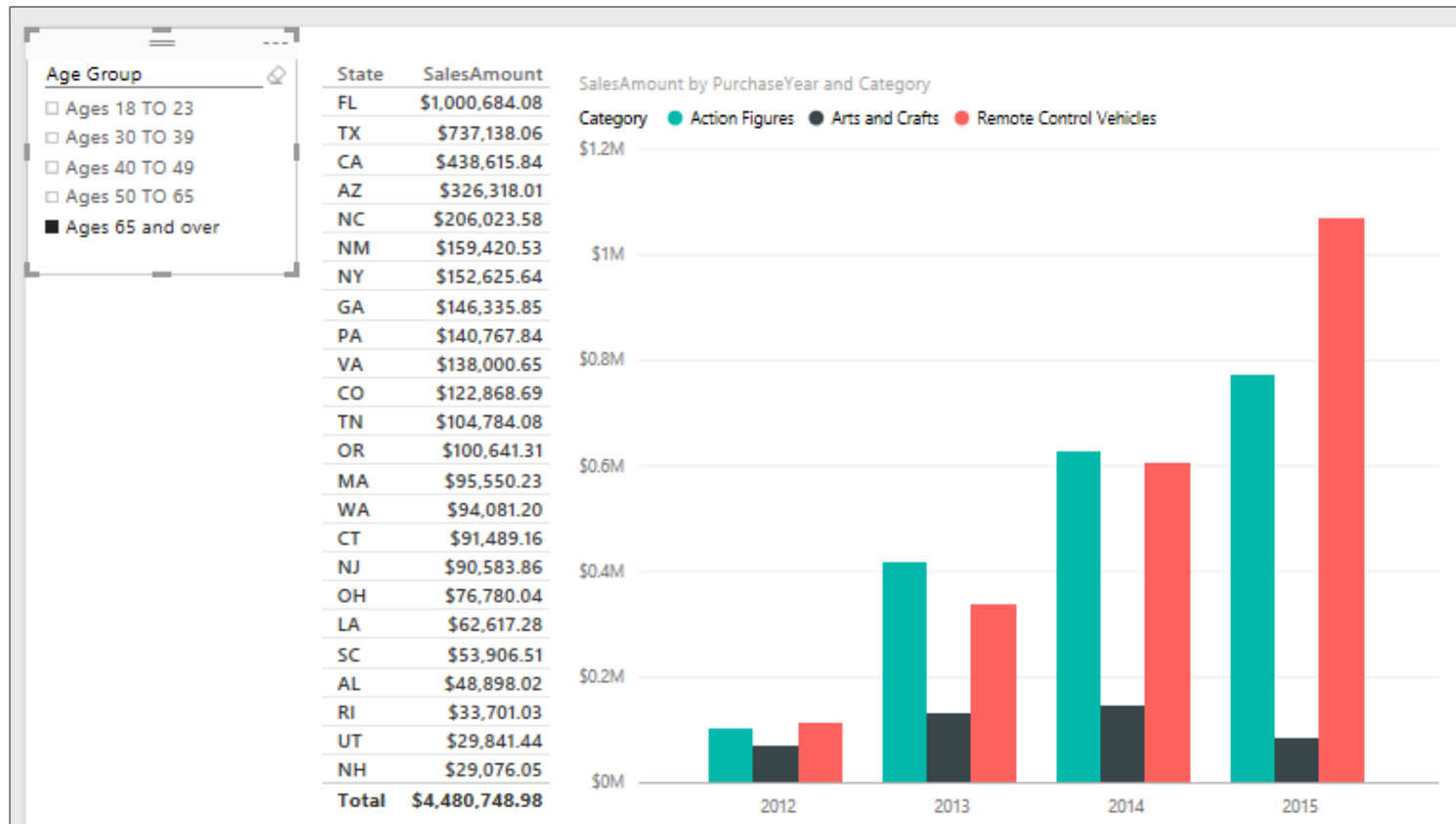


| Age Group        | Count of CustomerId | Quantity  | SalesAmount     |
|------------------|---------------------|-----------|-----------------|
| Ages 50 TO 65    | 7974                | 1,143,644 | \$4,904,342.59  |
| Ages 65 and over | 7569                | 1,050,879 | \$4,480,748.98  |
| Ages 40 TO 49    | 5103                | 713,453   | \$3,083,964.23  |
| Ages 30 TO 39    | 4547                | 646,121   | \$2,798,053.19  |
| Ages 18 TO 23    | 3278                | 478,405   | \$1,985,991.24  |
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# Calculated Column used in a Slicer

- Calculated column can populate slicer values





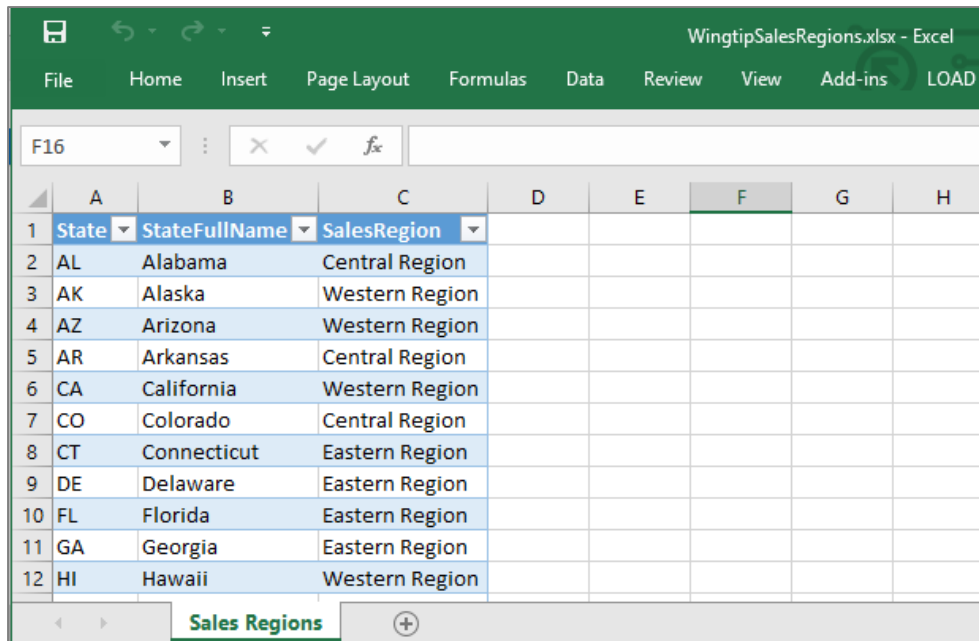


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## **Creating Calculated Columns**

# Adding Lookup Tables to the Data Model

- Data modeling might required adding lookup tables
  - Lookup tables inject extra related data into data model
- Example: Sales Regions table
  - Assign each state to specific sales region
  - Include full state name it required in reporting



The screenshot shows an Excel spreadsheet with the following data:

|    | A     | B             | C              | D | E | F | G | H |
|----|-------|---------------|----------------|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1  | State | StateFullName | SalesRegion    |   |   |   |   |   |
| 2  | AL    | Alabama       | Central Region |   |   |   |   |   |
| 3  | AK    | Alaska        | Western Region |   |   |   |   |   |
| 4  | AZ    | Arizona       | Western Region |   |   |   |   |   |
| 5  | AR    | Arkansas      | Central Region |   |   |   |   |   |
| 6  | CA    | California    | Western Region |   |   |   |   |   |
| 7  | CO    | Colorado      | Central Region |   |   |   |   |   |
| 8  | CT    | Connecticut   | Eastern Region |   |   |   |   |   |
| 9  | DE    | Delaware      | Eastern Region |   |   |   |   |   |
| 10 | FL    | Florida       | Eastern Region |   |   |   |   |   |
| 11 | GA    | Georgia       | Eastern Region |   |   |   |   |   |
| 12 | HI    | Hawaii        | Western Region |   |   |   |   |   |

The spreadsheet is titled 'WingtipSalesRegions.xlsx - Excel' and has tabs for File, Home, Insert, Page Layout, Formulas, Data, Review, View, Add-ins, and LOAD T. The active cell is F16. The table is named 'Sales Regions'.



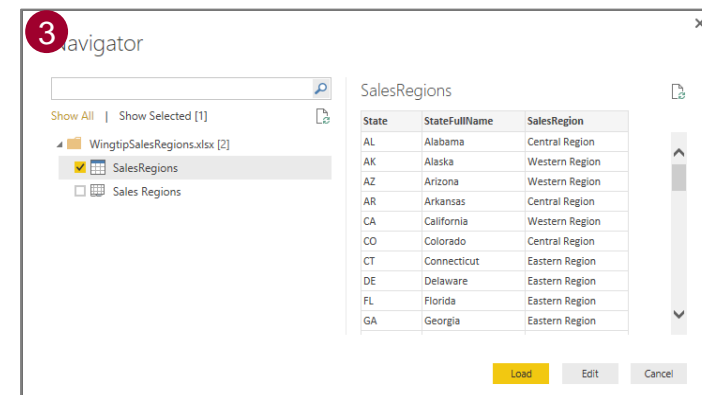
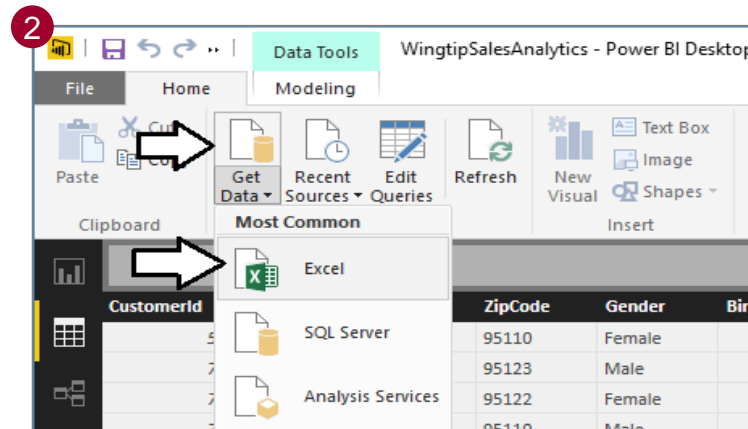


# Importing the SalesRegions Table from Excel

- Import table from Excel using Power Query

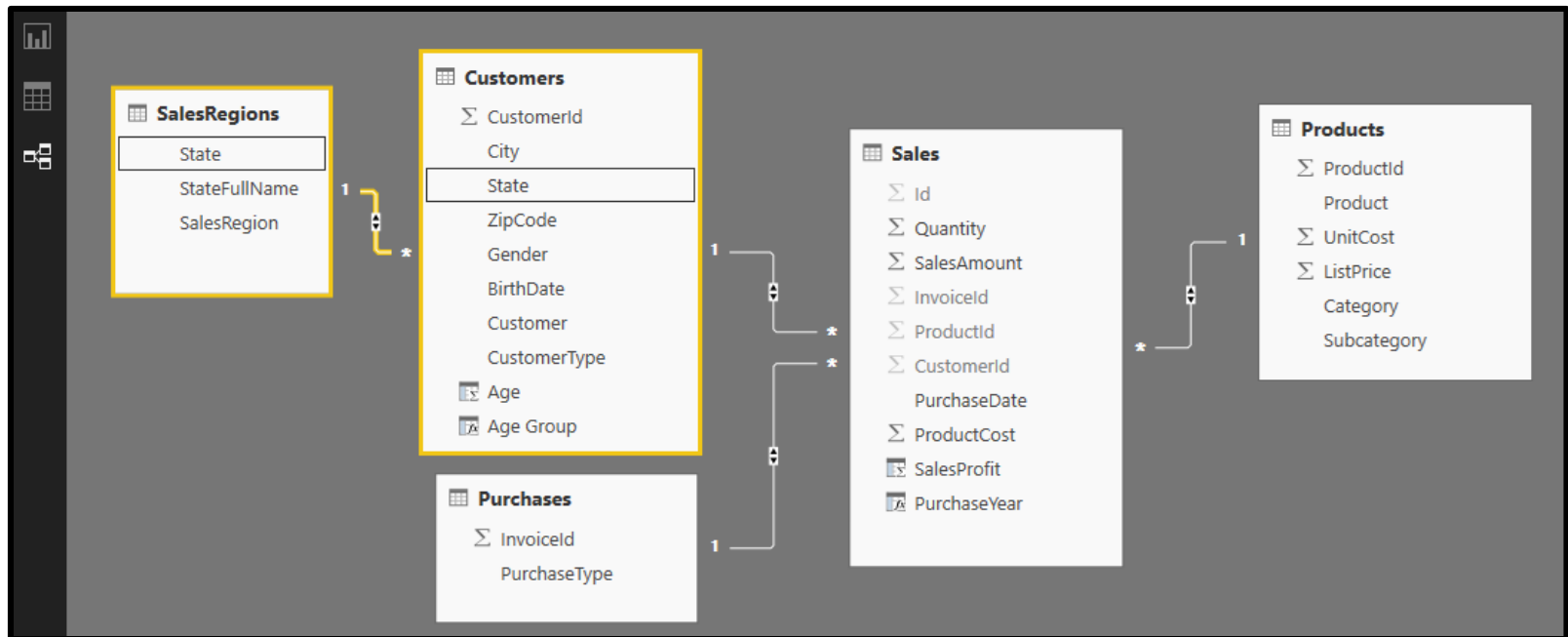
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| 5  | AR    | Arkansas      | Central Region |
| 6  | CA    | California    | Western Region |
| 7  | CO    | Colorado      | Central Region |
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# Integrating the Lookup Table into the Data Model

- Lookup table must be integrated into data model
  - Accomplished by creating relationship to one or more tables



# The RELATED Function

- RELATED function performs cross-table lookup
  - Effectively replaces older VLOOKUP function
  - Used in many-side table to look up value from one-side
  - Used to pull data from lookup table into primary table

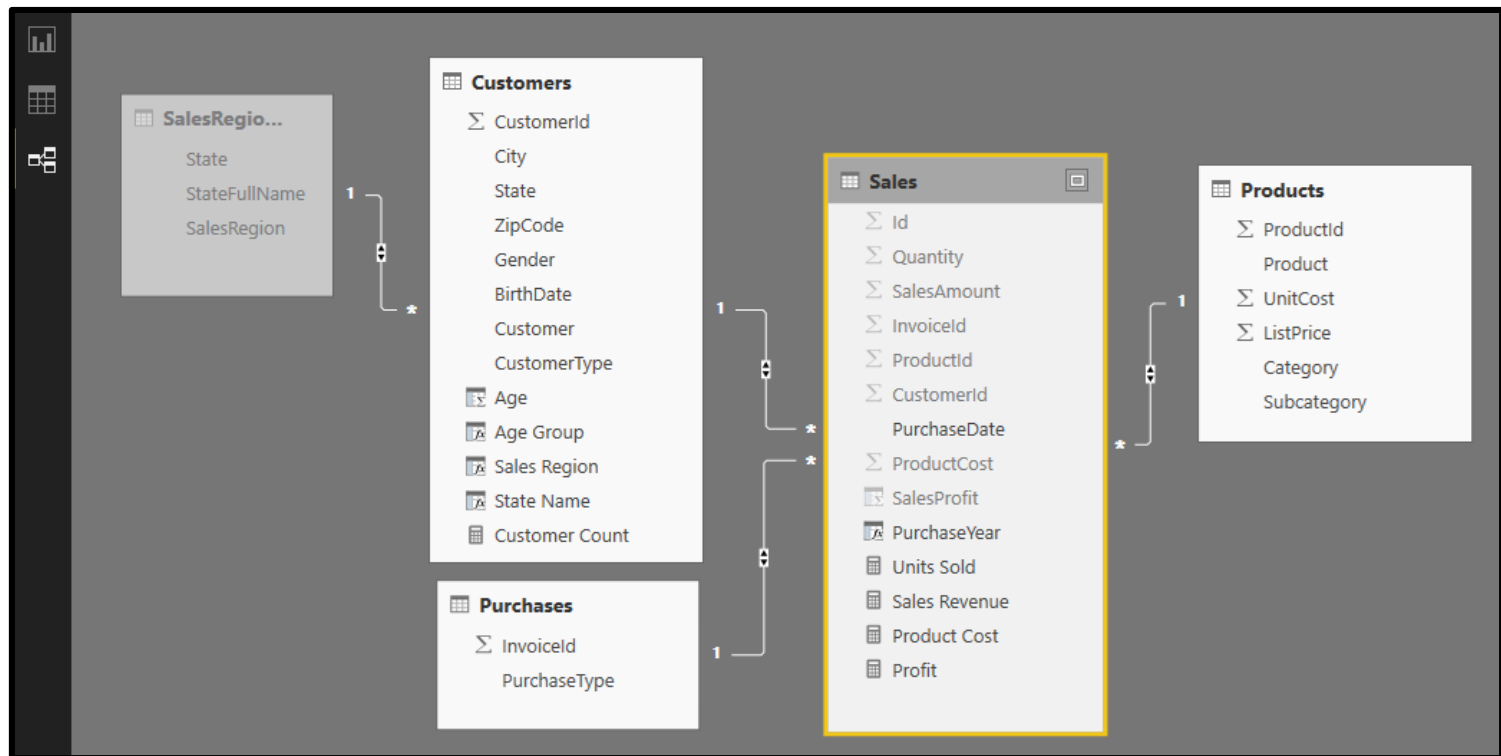
| Sales Region = RELATED(SalesRegions[SalesRegion]) |          |       |         |        |           |                 |                 |     |                  |                |
|---|----------|-------|---------|--------|-----------|-----------------|-----------------|-----|------------------|----------------|
| CustomerId  | City     | State | ZipCode | Gender | BirthDate | Customer        | CustomerType    | Age | Age Group        | Sales Region   |
| 55  | San Jose | CA    | 95110   | Female | 3/10/49   | Jewell Ryan     | Repeat Customer | 66  | Ages 65 and over | Western Region |
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| 78  | San Jose | CA    | 95110   | Male   | 6/16/78   | Raleigh Olson   | Repeat Customer | 37  | Ages 30 TO 39    | Western Region |
| 136   | San Jose | CA    | 95124   | Female | 1/2/45    | Carrie Foreman  | Repeat Customer | 70  | Ages 65 and over | Western Region |
| 150   | San Jose | CA    | 95134   | Female | 8/11/84   | Renee McMillan  | Repeat Customer | 31  | Ages 30 TO 39    | Western Region |

State Name = RELATED(SalesRegions[StateFullName])

| State | ZipCode | Gender | BirthDate | Customer        | CustomerType    | Age | Age Group        | Sales Region   | State Name |
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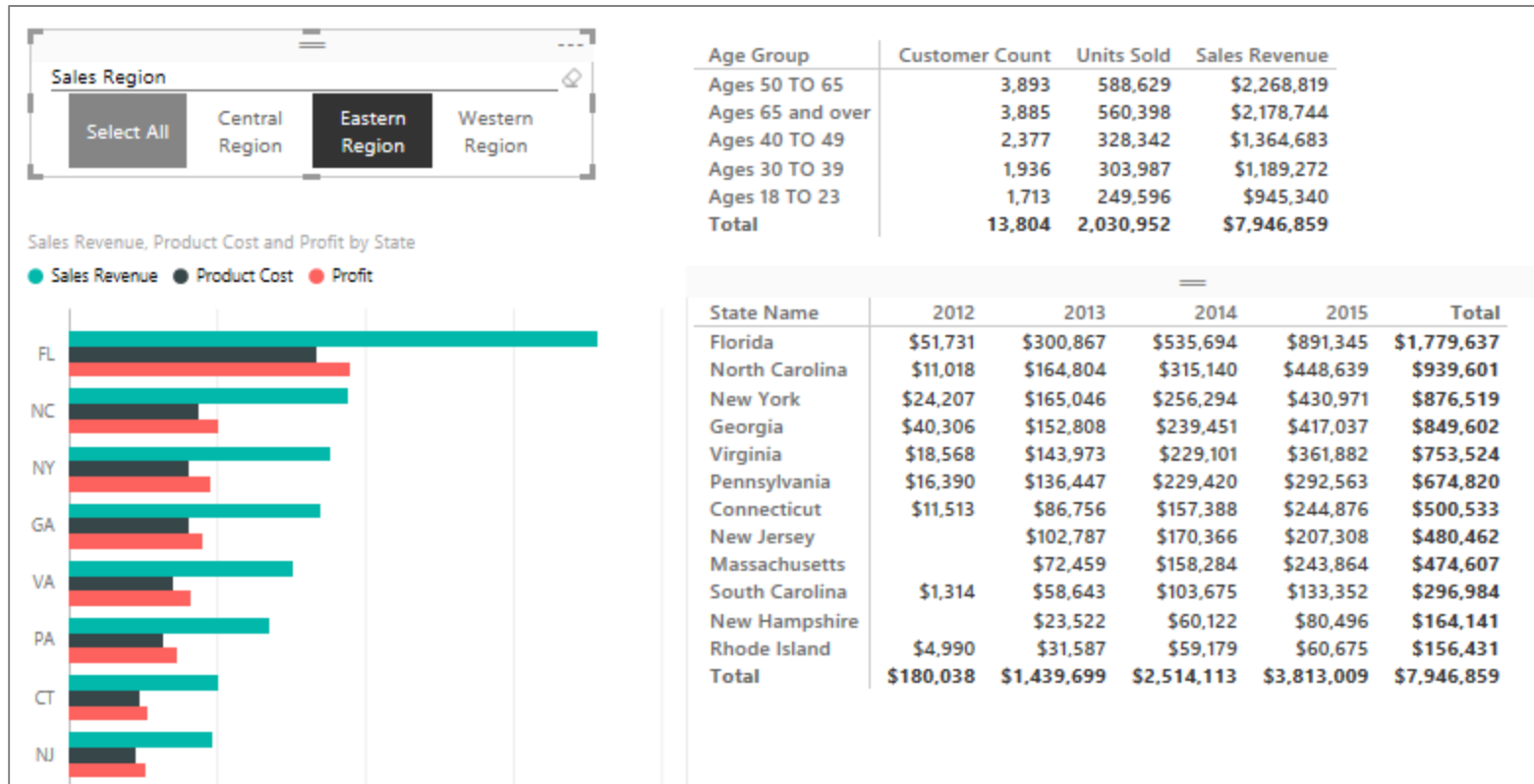
# Hiding the Lookup Table

- Lookup table can often be hidden
  - simplifies reporting for data model consumers



# Filtering on Sales Region

- Calculated column used to calculate slicer values



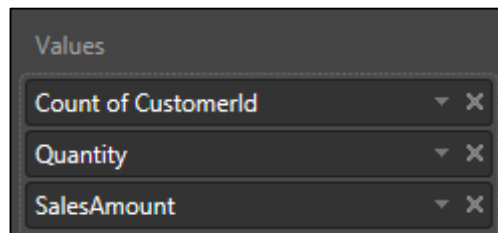
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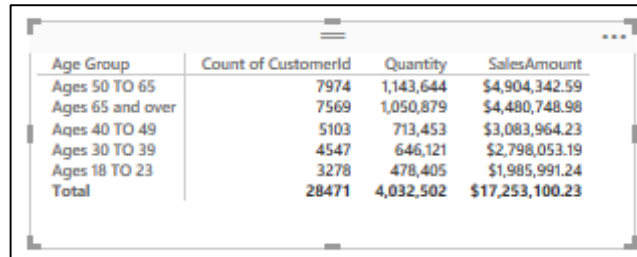


# Benefits of Measures over Calculated Columns

- Calculated columns can be aggregated in visual
  - However, aggregation details are stored in visual
  - Visual doesn't offer control over name and formatting

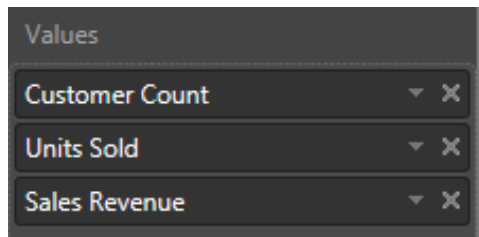


| Values              |
|---------------------|
| Count of CustomerId |
| Quantity            |
| SalesAmount         |

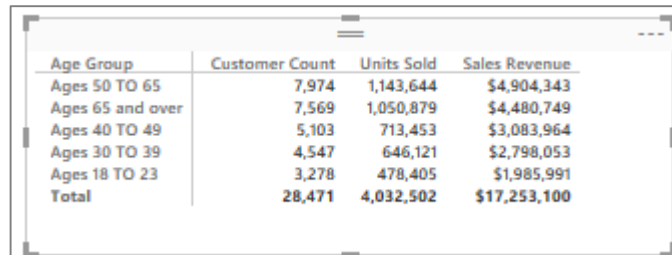


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- Measure defines name, aggregation and formatting
  - Work is done once and reused across many visuals
  - Makes data model more fool-proof for report designers



| Values         |
|----------------|
| Customer Count |
| Units Sold     |
| Sales Revenue  |



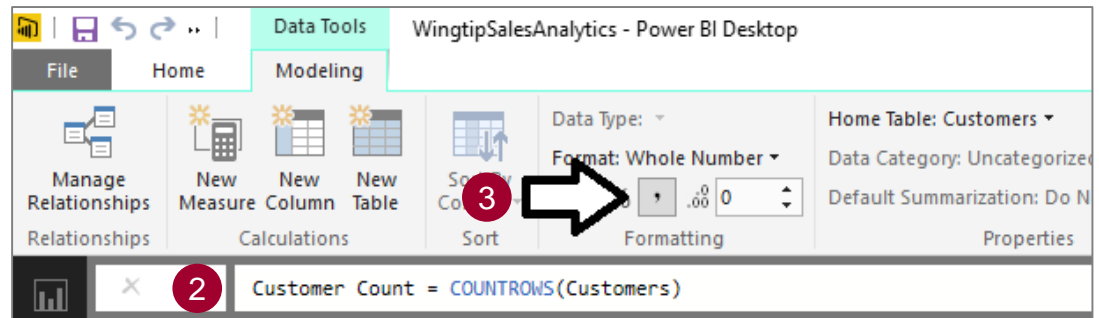
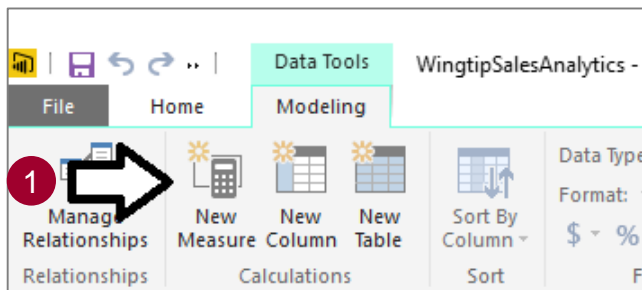
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| Ages 40 TO 49    | 5,103          | 713,453    | \$3,083,964   |
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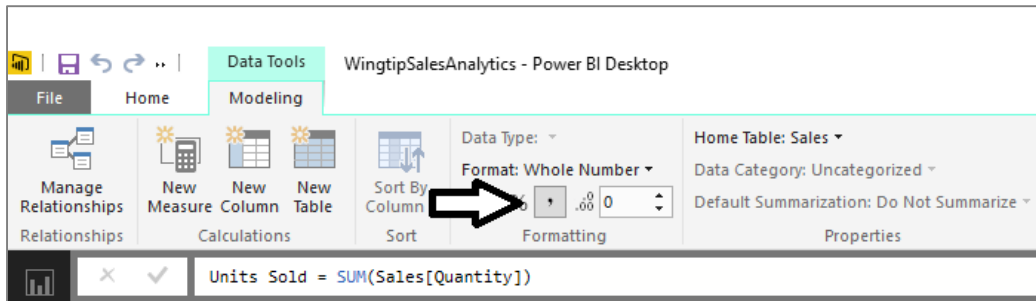
# Creating Measures

- Measures have advantage over calculated columns
  - They are evaluated based on the current evaluation context
- Creating a measure with Power BI Desktop
  1. Click New Measure button
  2. Give measure a name and write DAX expressions
  3. Configure formatting

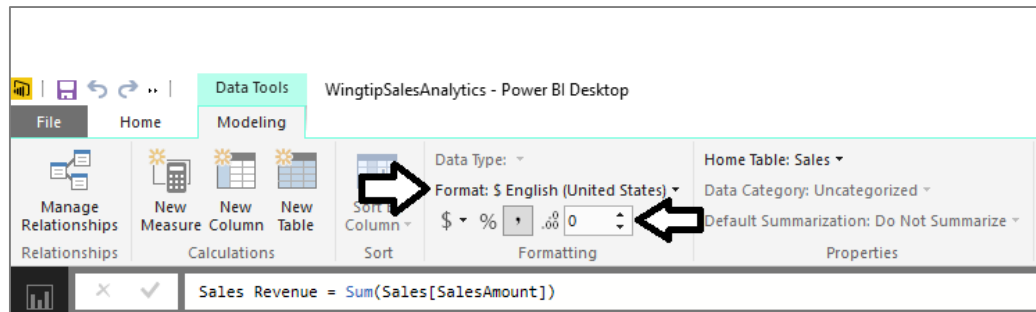


# Formatting Measures

- Format as whole number



- Format as currency





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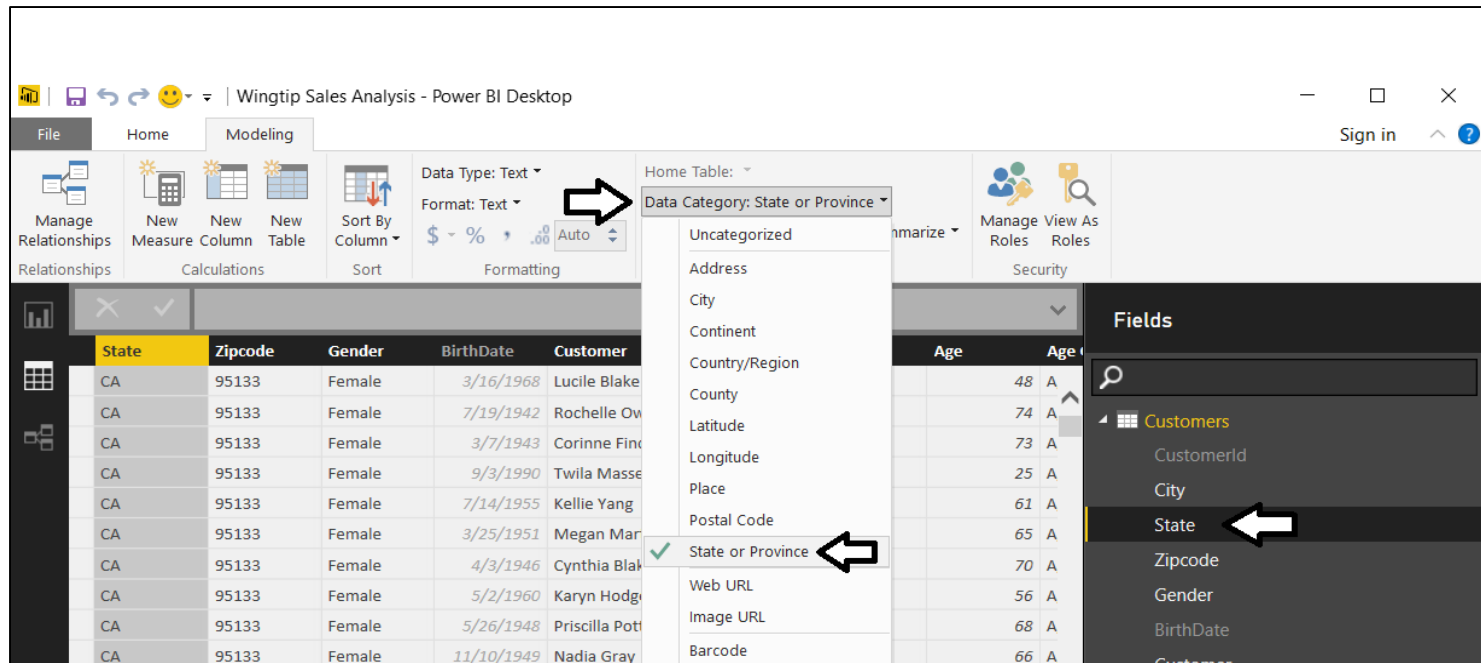
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# Geographic Field Metadata

- Fields in data model have metadata properties
  - Metadata used by visuals and reporting tools
  - Used as hints to Bing Mapping service



# Eliminate Geographic Ambiguity

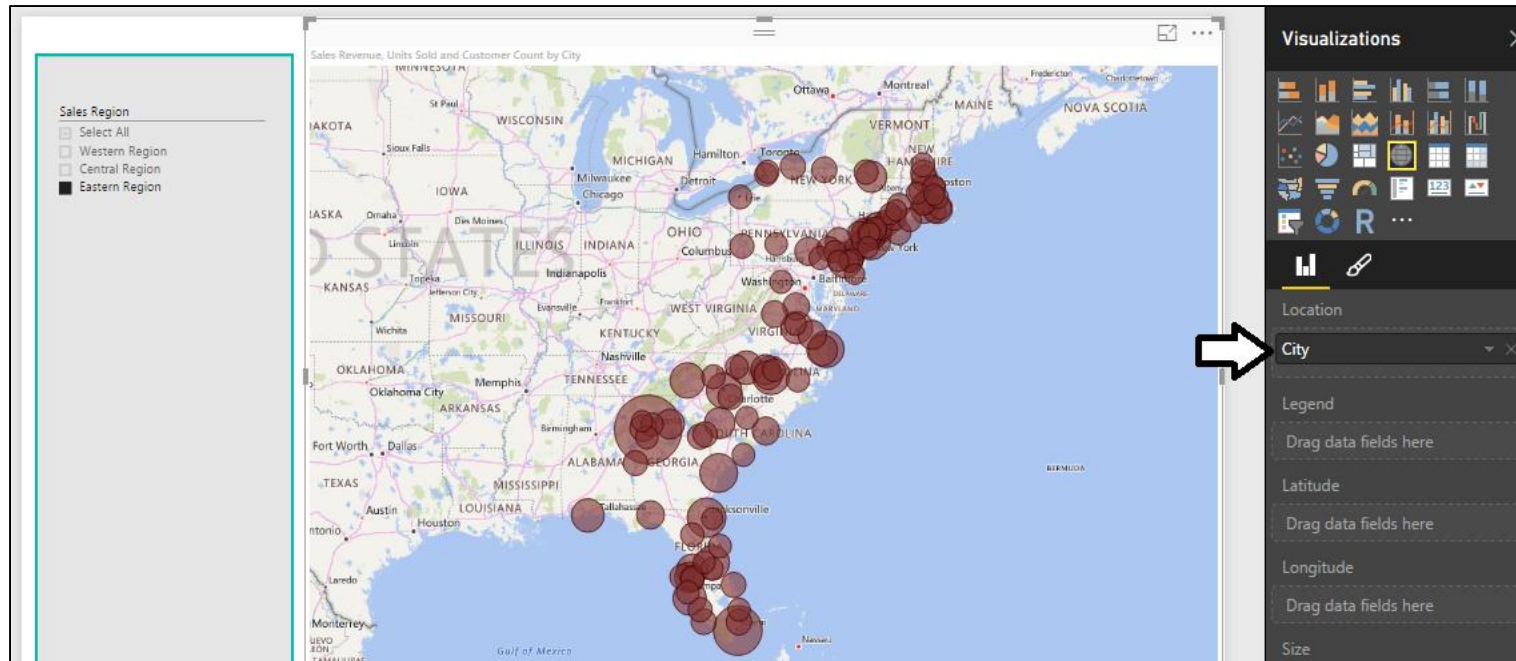
- City name alone is ambiguous
  - "Athens" defaults to Greece not Georgia
  - Concatenate city name with state to disambiguate

|   |                  | City = [City Name] & ", " & [State] |            |                 |              |
|---|------------------|-------------------------------------|------------|-----------------|--------------|
|   | Age Group        | Sales Region                        | State Name | SalesRegionSort | City         |
| 48  | Ages 40 TO 49    | Western Region                      | California | 1               | San Jose, CA |
| 74  | Ages 65 and over | Western Region                      | California | 1               | San Jose, CA |
| 73  | Ages 65 and over | Western Region                      | California | 1               | San Jose, CA |
| 25  | Ages 18 TO 23    | Western Region                      | California | 1               | San Jose, CA |
| 61  | Ages 50 TO 65    | Western Region                      | California | 1               | San Jose, CA |
| 65  | Ages 65 and over | Western Region                      | California | 1               | San Jose, CA |



# Using Map Visual with a Geographic Field

- Map Visual shows distribution over geographic area
  - Visual automatically updates when filtered





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- Creating Dimensional Hierarchies
- Understanding the Evaluation Context
- Extending the Data Model using Calendar Tables
- Writing DAX Expressions with Time Intelligence
- Writing DAX Code with Contextual Awareness



# Dimensional Hierarchies

- Hierarchy created from two or more columns
  - All columns in hierarchy must be from the same table
  - Defines parent-child relationship between columns
  - Provides path to navigate through data
  - Provides path to drill down into greater level of detail



# Pulling Columns for Hierarchy into Single Table

- Sometimes hierarchy columns are spread across tables
  - Use RELATED function from DAX to pull columns into single table

| Sales Region = RELATED(SalesRegions[SalesRegion]) |                   |     |                  |                |            |
|---|-------------------|-----|------------------|----------------|------------|
| Customer  | Customer Type     | Age | Age Group        | Sales Region   | State Name |
| Lucile Blake                                      | One-time Customer | 48  | Ages 40 TO 49    | Western Region | California |
| Rochelle Owen                                     | One-time Customer | 74  | Ages 65 and over | Western Region | California |
| Corinne Finch                                     | One-time Customer | 73  | Ages 65 and over | Western Region | California |
| Twila Massey                                      | One-time Customer | 25  | Ages 18 TO 23    | Western Region | California |

- Then create hierarchy in the table with all the columns

| Customer Geography |
|--------------------|
| Sales Region       |
| State              |
| City               |
| Zipcode            |



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# A Tale of Two Evaluation Contexts

- Row Context
  - Context includes all columns in iteration of current row
  - Used to evaluate DAX expression in calculated column
  - Only available in measures with iterator function (e.g. SUMX)
- Filter Context
  - Context includes filter(s) defining current set of rows
  - Used by default to evaluate DAX expressions in measures
  - Can be fully ignored or partially ignored using DAX code
  - Not used to evaluate DAX in calculated columns



# Understanding Row Context

- Row context used to evaluate calculated columns

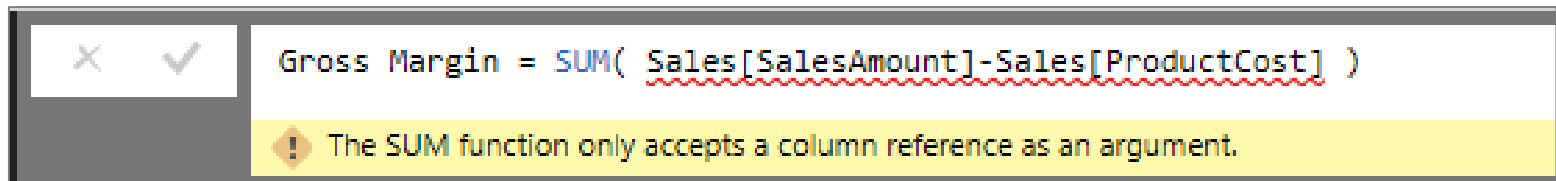
| ✕  | ✓                | City = [City Name] & ", " & [State] |            |                 |              |
|----|------------------|-------------------------------------|------------|-----------------|--------------|
|    | Age Group        | Sales Region                        | State Name | SalesRegionSort | City         |
| 48 | Ages 40 TO 49    | Western Region                      | California | 1               | San Jose, CA |
| 74 | Ages 65 and over | Western Region                      | California | 1               | San Jose, CA |
| 73 | Ages 65 and over | Western Region                      | California | 1               | San Jose, CA |
| 25 | Ages 18 TO 23    | Western Region                      | California | 1               | San Jose, CA |
| 61 | Ages 50 TO 65    | Western Region                      | California | 1               | San Jose, CA |
| 65 | Ages 65 and over | Western Region                      | California | 1               | San Jose, CA |

| ✕             | ✓                 | Age = Floor( (TODAY()-Customers[BirthDate])/365, 1) |                  |                |            |
|---------------|-------------------|---|------------------|----------------|------------|
| Customer      | Customer Type     | Age   | Age Group        | Sales Region   | State Name |
| Lucile Blake  | One-time Customer | 48  | Ages 40 TO 49    | Western Region | California |
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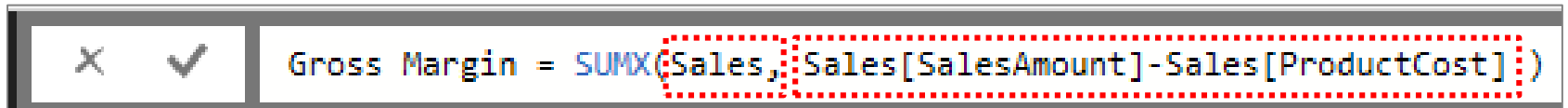


# Understanding Iterators Like SUMX

- Standard aggregation functions (e.g. SUM) have no row context
  - You can use SUM to sum values of a single column
  - You cannot use SUM to sum results of an expressions



- Iterator functions (e.g. SUMX) iterate through rows in target table



- First argument accepts expressions that evaluates to table of rows
- Second argument accepts expression that is evaluated for each row





# DAX Table Iterator Functions

- The following DAX functions create row context
  - AVERAGEX
  - COUNTAX
  - COUNTX
  - MAXX
  - MINX
  - SUMX



# Understanding Filter Context

- Visuals apply various filters in different evaluation contexts

| Month in Year | 2012        | 2013        | 2014        | 2015        | Total        |
|---------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|
| January       | \$6,306     | \$164,334   | \$385,275   | \$512,822   | \$1,068,737  |
| February      | \$48,815    | \$126,501   | \$358,244   | \$597,684   | \$1,131,244  |
| March         | \$53,958    | \$243,676   | \$381,309   | \$532,123   | \$1,211,067  |
| April         | \$52,601    | \$300,872   | \$381,157   | \$602,751   | \$1,337,381  |
| May           | \$61,756    | \$334,948   | \$438,261   | \$647,276   | \$1,482,241  |
| June          | \$76,756    | \$321,715   | \$378,749   | \$608,448   | \$1,385,668  |
| July          | \$104,408   | \$287,800   | \$359,744   | \$620,316   | \$1,372,268  |
| August        | \$111,167   | \$298,483   | \$457,312   | \$678,499   | \$1,545,461  |
| September     | \$110,716   | \$376,207   | \$505,332   | \$613,971   | \$1,606,229  |
| October       | \$145,999   | \$362,943   | \$602,448   | \$620,735   | \$1,732,125  |
| November      | \$156,751   | \$340,228   | \$545,572   | \$590,220   | \$1,632,770  |
| December      | \$147,593   | \$331,526   | \$581,977   | \$686,814   | \$1,747,910  |
| Total         | \$1,076,826 | \$3,489,234 | \$5,375,379 | \$7,311,660 | \$17,253,100 |

## Filters on this evaluation

[Year] = 2015

[Month in Year] = "October"

- Filter context also affected by slicers and other filters

|   | Month in Year | 2012      | 2013      | 2014      | 2015        | Total       |
|---|---------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-------------|-------------|
| <b>Sales Region</b>                                 | January       | \$425     | \$50,169  | \$61,295  | \$76,614    | \$188,503   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Select All                 | February      | \$13,891  | \$40,133  | \$63,670  | \$101,542   | \$219,236   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Central Region             | March         | \$19,121  | \$58,411  | \$73,839  | \$84,180    | \$235,551   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Eastern Region             | April         | \$19,128  | \$53,711  | \$67,919  | \$91,762    | \$232,520   |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Western Region  | May           | \$22,939  | \$64,259  | \$78,668  | \$109,689   | \$275,555   |
|   | June          | \$29,082  | \$50,564  | \$73,504  | \$88,047    | \$241,197   |
|   | July          | \$34,809  | \$62,971  | \$69,053  | \$80,749    | \$247,582   |
|   | August        | \$36,096  | \$61,217  | \$76,009  | \$94,719    | \$268,041   |
| <b>Customer Type</b>                                | September     | \$39,415  | \$68,653  | \$82,697  | \$94,805    | \$285,570   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> One-time customer          | October       | \$51,994  | \$69,122  | \$99,344  | \$84,177    | \$304,637   |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Repeat Customer | November      | \$47,020  | \$52,548  | \$85,924  | \$74,611    | \$260,102   |
|   | December      | \$50,580  | \$66,260  | \$102,088 | \$94,877    | \$313,804   |
|   | Total         | \$364,500 | \$698,018 | \$934,009 | \$1,075,771 | \$3,072,298 |

## Filters on this evaluation

[Year] = 2015

[Month in Year] = "October"

[Sales Region] = "Western Region"

[Customer Type] = "Repeat Customer"



# Using the CALCULATE Function

- CALCULATE function provides greatest amount of control
  - First argument defines expression to evaluate
  - Second argument defines table on which to evaluate expression
  - You can evaluate expressions with or without current filter context

```
Pct of All Products =  
DIVIDE(  
    SUM( Sales[SalesAmount] ),  
    CALCULATE(  
        Sum (Sales[SalesAmount] ),  
        ALL(Products[Category], Products[Subcategory], Products[Product])  
    )  
)
```

```
Pct of Product Category =  
DIVIDE(  
    SUM( Sales[SalesAmount] ),  
    CALCULATE(  
        Sum (Sales[SalesAmount] ),  
        ALL( Products[Subcategory], Products[Product] )  
    )  
)
```



# DAX Functions that Return a Table

- ALL
- ALLEXCEPT
- CALCULATETABLE
- DISTINCT
- FILTER
- RELATEDTABLE
- VALUES



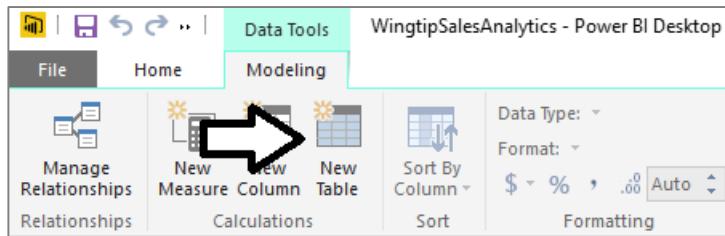
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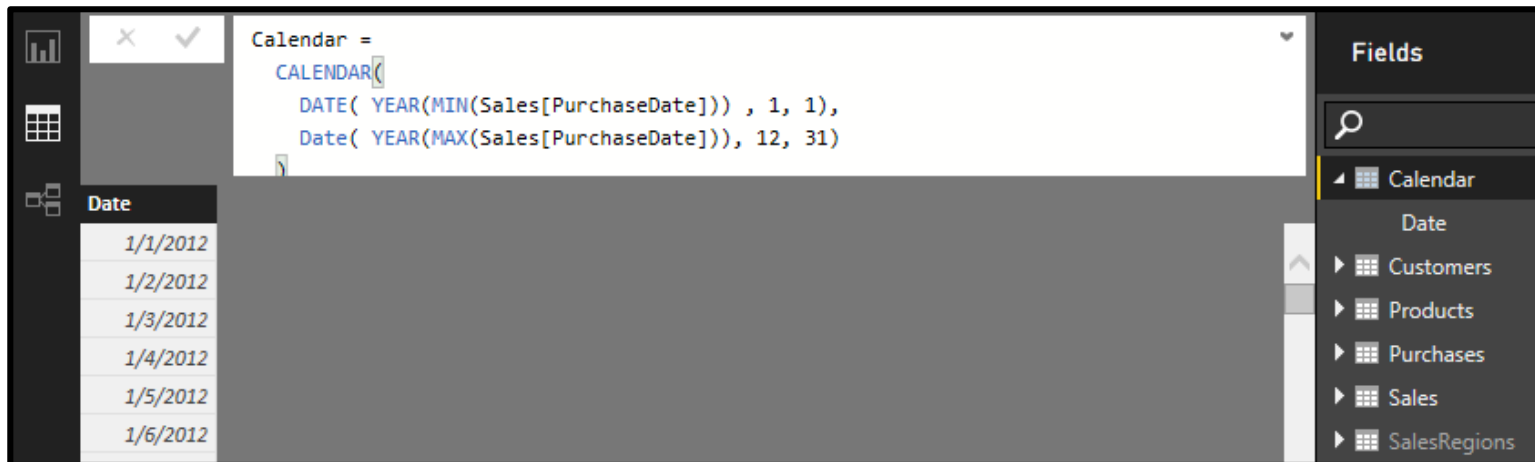


# Creating Calendar Table as Calculated Table

- Use **New Table** command in ribbon



- Create calendar table using DAX **CALENDAR** function



# Adding Columns to Calendar Table

- Creating the **Year** column

| X ✓ Year = YEAR('Calendar'[Date]) |      |
|-----------------------------------|------|
| Date                              | Year |
| 1/1/2012                          | 2012 |
| 1/2/2012                          | 2012 |
| 1/3/2012                          | 2012 |

- Creating the **Quarter** column

| X ✓ Quarter = YEAR('Calendar'[Date]) & "-Q" & FORMAT('Calendar'[Date], "q") |      |         |  |
|---|------|---------|--|
| Date  | Year | Quarter |  |
| 01/01/2012  | 2012 | 2012-Q1 |  |
| 01/02/2012  | 2012 | 2012-Q1 |  |
| 01/03/2012  | 2012 | 2012-Q1 |  |
| 01/04/2012  | 2012 | 2012-Q1 |  |
| 01/05/2012  | 2012 | 2012-Q1 |  |

- Creating the **Month** column

| X ✓ Month = FORMAT('Calendar'[Date], "MMM yyyy") |      |         |          |  |
|--|------|---------|----------|--|
| Date   | Year | Quarter | Month    |  |
| 1/1/2012   | 2012 | 2012-Q1 | Jan 2012 |  |
| 1/2/2012   | 2012 | 2012-Q1 | Jan 2012 |  |
| 1/3/2012   | 2012 | 2012-Q1 | Jan 2012 |  |



# Configuring Sort Columns

- Month column will not sort in desired fashion by default
  - For example, April will sort before January, February and March
- Creating a sort column for the **Month** column
  - MonthSort** sorts alphabetically & chronologically at same time

| MonthSort = FORMAT('Calendar'[Date], "yyyy-MM") |      |         |          |           |
|---|------|---------|----------|-----------|
| Date  | Year | Quarter | Month    | MonthSort |
| 1/1/2012  | 2012 | 2012-Q1 | Jan 2012 | 2012-01   |
| 1/2/2012  | 2012 | 2012-Q1 | Jan 2012 | 2012-01   |

- Configure **Month** column with **MonthSort** as sort column

The screenshot shows the Power BI Desktop interface. In the 'Table' view, the 'Month' column is selected. The 'Sort By' dropdown menu is open, showing 'MonthSort' as the selected option. The 'MonthSort' column is highlighted in yellow in the table view. The table data is as follows:

| Date     | Year | Month    | MonthSort |
|----------|------|----------|-----------|
| 1/1/2012 | 2012 | Jan 2012 | 2012-01   |
| 1/2/2012 | 2012 | Jan 2012 | 2012-01   |

Arrows indicate the flow from the 'Sort By' menu to the 'MonthSort' column in the table.

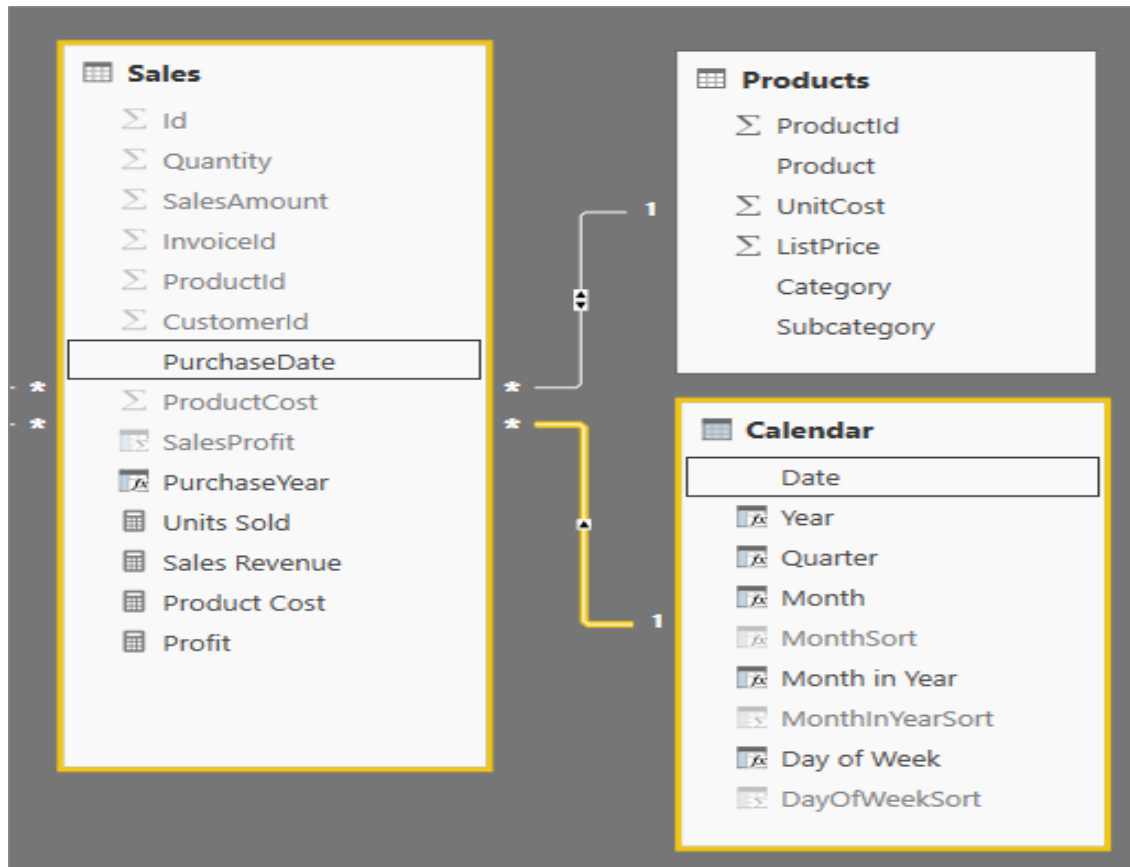






# Integrating Calendar Table into Data Model

- Calendar table needs relationship to one or more tables



# Creating Visuals with a Calendar Table

- Year for row labels and **Month in Year** as column labels

| Year         | Jan                | Feb                | Mar                | Apr                | May                | Jun                | Jul                | Aug                | Sep                | Oct                | Nov                | Dec                | Total               |
|--------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| 2012         | \$3,063            | \$33,218           | \$49,213           | \$40,434           | \$83,840           | \$136,670          | \$144,244          | \$197,952          | \$215,097          | \$239,513          | \$376,503          | \$424,240          | <b>\$1,943,986</b>  |
| 2013         | \$307,182          | \$291,942          | \$346,186          | \$380,869          | \$377,376          | \$353,586          | \$391,202          | \$476,884          | \$504,532          | \$577,439          | \$579,507          | \$769,473          | <b>\$5,356,177</b>  |
| 2014         | \$629,969          | \$609,637          | \$628,618          | \$661,588          | \$748,193          | \$814,333          | \$788,469          | \$869,143          | \$890,958          | \$988,789          | \$999,574          | \$1,644,980        | <b>\$10,274,251</b> |
| 2015         | \$959,863          | \$969,330          | \$675,533          | \$722,456          | \$698,311          | \$785,793          | \$921,994          | \$1,084,189        | \$1,088,863        | \$1,211,810        | \$1,305,029        | \$1,732,932        | <b>\$12,156,103</b> |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>\$1,900,077</b> | <b>\$1,904,126</b> | <b>\$1,699,551</b> | <b>\$1,805,347</b> | <b>\$1,907,720</b> | <b>\$2,090,382</b> | <b>\$2,245,908</b> | <b>\$2,628,168</b> | <b>\$2,699,449</b> | <b>\$3,017,551</b> | <b>\$3,260,613</b> | <b>\$4,571,625</b> | <b>\$29,730,517</b> |

- Month in Year** for row labels and **Year** as column labels

| Month in Year ▲ | 2012               | 2013               | 2014                | 2015                | Total               |
|-----------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Jan             | \$3,063            | \$307,182          | \$629,969           | \$959,863           | <b>\$1,900,077</b>  |
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| Jul             | \$144,244          | \$391,202          | \$788,469           | \$921,994           | <b>\$2,245,908</b>  |
| Aug             | \$197,952          | \$476,884          | \$869,143           | \$1,084,189         | <b>\$2,628,168</b>  |
| Sep             | \$215,097          | \$504,532          | \$890,958           | \$1,088,863         | <b>\$2,699,449</b>  |
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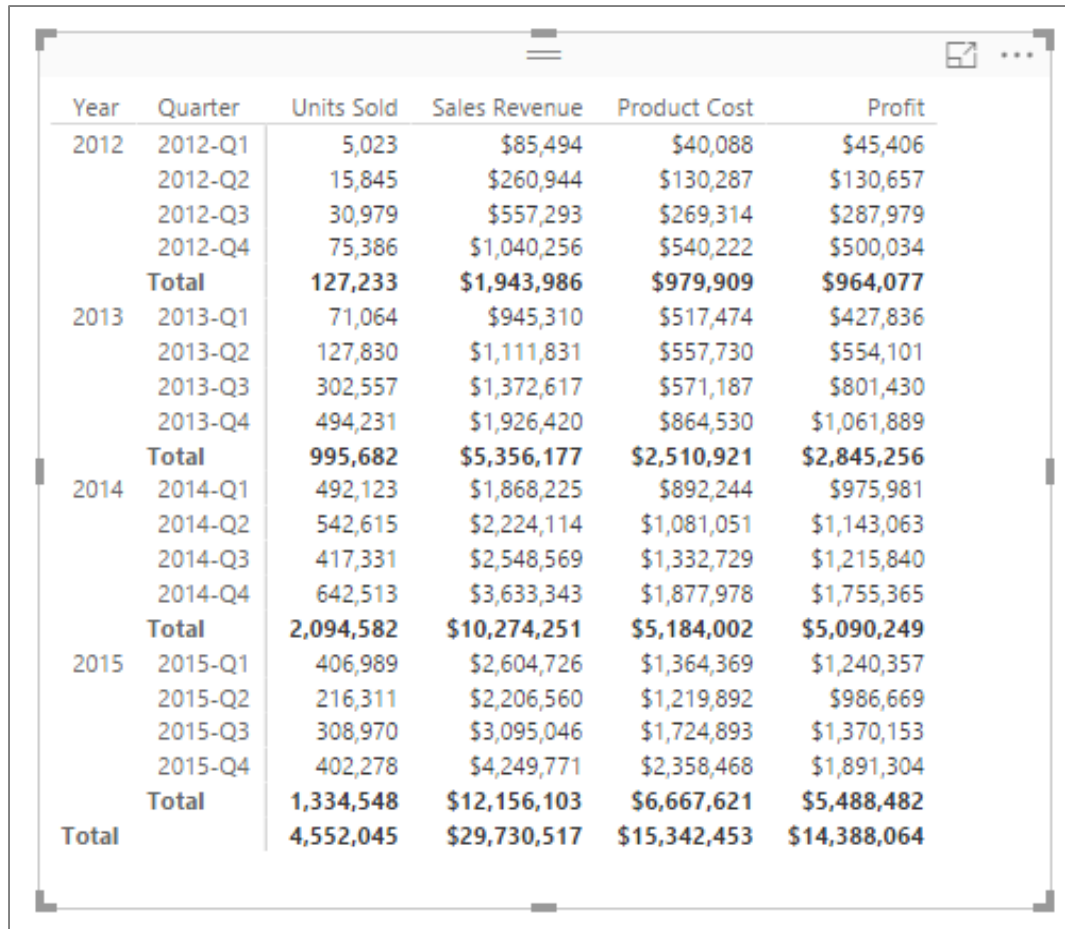
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| Day of Week  | 2012               | 2013               | 2014                | 2015                | Total               |
|--------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Mon          | \$314,471          | \$801,337          | \$1,460,373         | \$1,682,345         | <b>\$4,258,527</b>  |
| Tue          | \$262,321          | \$791,863          | \$1,553,063         | \$1,726,955         | <b>\$4,334,202</b>  |
| Wed          | \$269,499          | \$671,754          | \$1,525,827         | \$1,786,688         | <b>\$4,253,768</b>  |
| Thu          | \$246,499          | \$777,814          | \$1,427,989         | \$1,749,475         | <b>\$4,201,776</b>  |
| Fri          | \$329,852          | \$803,028          | \$1,445,129         | \$1,790,611         | <b>\$4,368,620</b>  |
| Sat          | \$289,566          | \$747,619          | \$1,447,230         | \$1,736,439         | <b>\$4,220,853</b>  |
| Sun          | \$231,779          | \$762,762          | \$1,414,640         | \$1,683,591         | <b>\$4,092,772</b>  |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>\$1,943,986</b> | <b>\$5,356,177</b> | <b>\$10,274,251</b> | <b>\$12,156,103</b> | <b>\$29,730,517</b> |



# Hierarchical Row Labels in a Matrix

- Dimensional hierarchy can be visualized using matrix



The image shows a screenshot of a data matrix visualization. The matrix displays financial data across five years (2012-2015) and four quarters per year. The columns represent different metrics: Year, Quarter, Units Sold, Sales Revenue, Product Cost, and Profit. The rows are organized hierarchically, with each year having a 'Total' row at the bottom of its group. The data is presented in a clean, professional format with a light gray background and dark text.

| Year         | Quarter      | Units Sold       | Sales Revenue       | Product Cost        | Profit              |
|--------------|--------------|------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| 2012         | 2012-Q1      | 5,023            | \$85,494            | \$40,088            | \$45,406            |
|              | 2012-Q2      | 15,845           | \$260,944           | \$130,287           | \$130,657           |
|              | 2012-Q3      | 30,979           | \$557,293           | \$269,314           | \$287,979           |
|              | 2012-Q4      | 75,386           | \$1,040,256         | \$540,222           | \$500,034           |
|              | <b>Total</b> | <b>127,233</b>   | <b>\$1,943,986</b>  | <b>\$979,909</b>    | <b>\$964,077</b>    |
| 2013         | 2013-Q1      | 71,064           | \$945,310           | \$517,474           | \$427,836           |
|              | 2013-Q2      | 127,830          | \$1,111,831         | \$557,730           | \$554,101           |
|              | 2013-Q3      | 302,557          | \$1,372,617         | \$571,187           | \$801,430           |
|              | 2013-Q4      | 494,231          | \$1,926,420         | \$864,530           | \$1,061,889         |
|              | <b>Total</b> | <b>995,682</b>   | <b>\$5,356,177</b>  | <b>\$2,510,921</b>  | <b>\$2,845,256</b>  |
| 2014         | 2014-Q1      | 492,123          | \$1,868,225         | \$892,244           | \$975,981           |
|              | 2014-Q2      | 542,615          | \$2,224,114         | \$1,081,051         | \$1,143,063         |
|              | 2014-Q3      | 417,331          | \$2,548,569         | \$1,332,729         | \$1,215,840         |
|              | 2014-Q4      | 642,513          | \$3,633,343         | \$1,877,978         | \$1,755,365         |
|              | <b>Total</b> | <b>2,094,582</b> | <b>\$10,274,251</b> | <b>\$5,184,002</b>  | <b>\$5,090,249</b>  |
| 2015         | 2015-Q1      | 406,989          | \$2,604,726         | \$1,364,369         | \$1,240,357         |
|              | 2015-Q2      | 216,311          | \$2,206,560         | \$1,219,892         | \$986,669           |
|              | 2015-Q3      | 308,970          | \$3,095,046         | \$1,724,893         | \$1,370,153         |
|              | 2015-Q4      | 402,278          | \$4,249,771         | \$2,358,468         | \$1,891,304         |
|              | <b>Total</b> | <b>1,334,548</b> | <b>\$12,156,103</b> | <b>\$6,667,621</b>  | <b>\$5,488,482</b>  |
| <b>Total</b> |              | <b>4,552,045</b> | <b>\$29,730,517</b> | <b>\$15,342,453</b> | <b>\$14,388,064</b> |



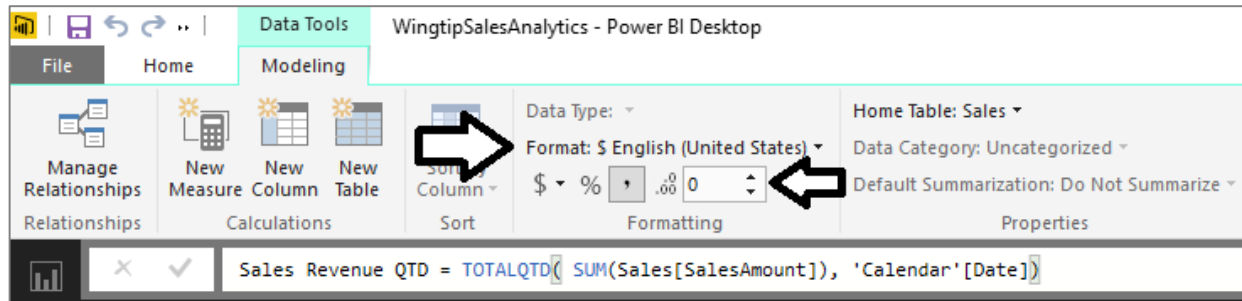
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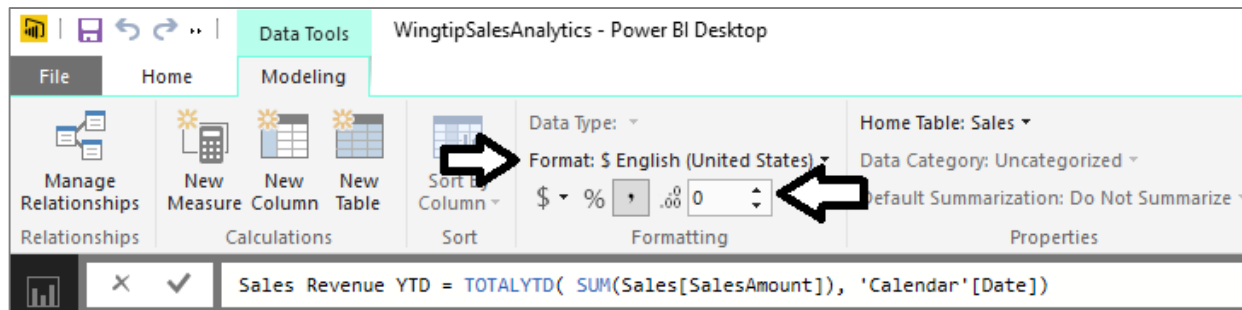


# Calculated Fields for QTD and YTD Sales

- TOTALQTD function calculates quarter-to-date totals

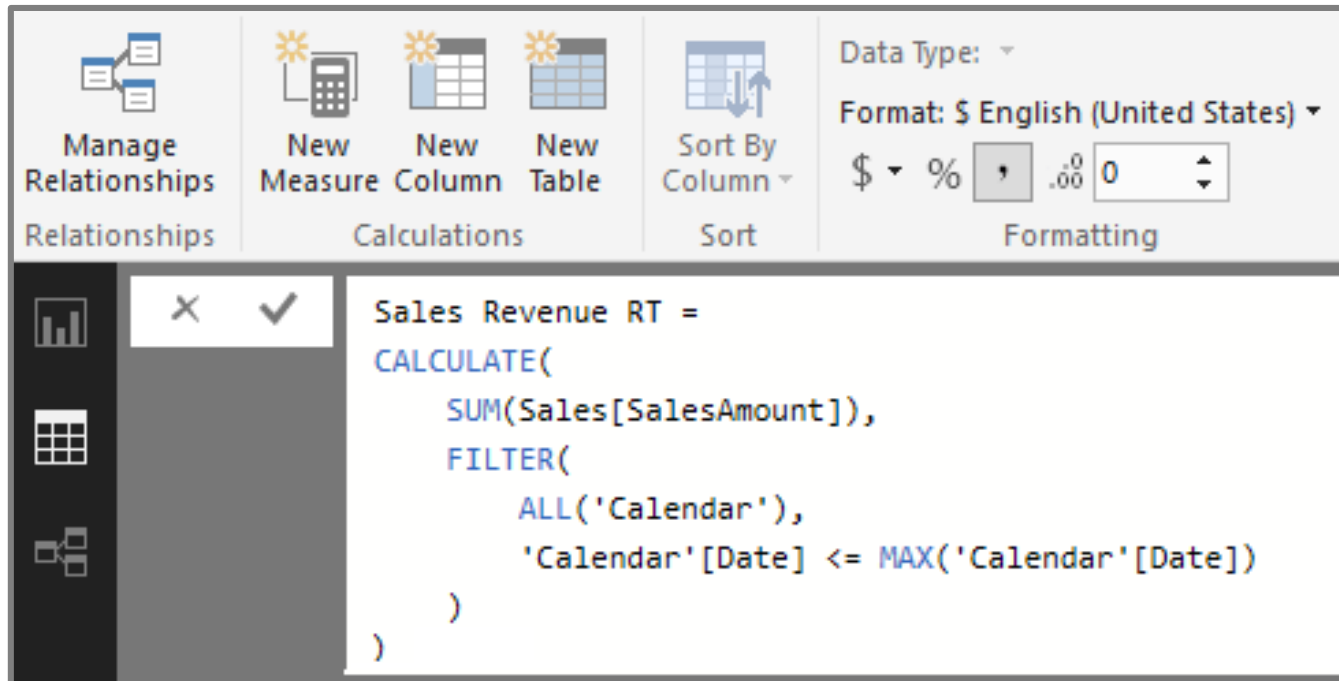


- TOTALYTD function calculates year-to-date totals



# Creating Running Total using CALCULATE

- Calculate a running total of sales revenue across years
  - This must be done using **CALCULATE** function



# Matrix Visual with To-Date Running Totals

- Running totals calculated using DAX

| Year | Quarter | Month    | Sales Revenue | Sales Revenue QTD | Sales Revenue YTD | Sales Revenue RT |
|------|---------|----------|---------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| 2014 | 2014-Q1 | Jan 2014 | \$629,969     | \$629,969         | \$629,969         | \$7,930,132      |
|      |         | Feb 2014 | \$609,637     | \$1,239,606       | \$1,239,606       | \$8,539,770      |
|      |         | Mar 2014 | \$628,618     | \$1,868,225       | \$1,868,225       | \$9,168,388      |
|      | 2014-Q2 | Apr 2014 | \$661,588     | \$661,588         | \$2,529,812       | \$9,829,976      |
|      |         | May 2014 | \$748,193     | \$1,409,780       | \$3,278,005       | \$10,578,168     |
|      |         | Jun 2014 | \$814,333     | \$2,224,114       | \$4,092,338       | \$11,392,502     |
|      | 2014-Q3 | Jul 2014 | \$788,469     | \$788,469         | \$4,880,807       | \$12,180,970     |
|      |         | Aug 2014 | \$869,143     | \$1,657,611       | \$5,749,950       | \$13,050,113     |

- Question: when did Wingtip reach \$10,000,000 in sales

| Year | Quarter | Month    | Sales Revenue | Sales Revenue QTD | Sales Revenue YTD | Sales Revenue RT |
|------|---------|----------|---------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|
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|      |         | Feb 2014 | \$609,637     | \$1,239,606       | \$1,239,606       | \$8,539,770      |
|      |         | Mar 2014 | \$628,618     | \$1,868,225       | \$1,868,225       | \$9,168,388      |
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|      | 2014-Q3 | Jul 2014 | \$788,469     | \$788,469         | \$4,880,807       | \$12,180,970     |
|      |         |          |               |                   |                   |                  |





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# Sales Growth PM Measure - First Attempt

- Create a measure named Sales Growth PM

```
Sales Growth PM =  
DIVIDE(  
    SUM(Sales[SalesAmount]) -  
    CALCULATE(  
        SUM(Sales[SalesAmount]),  
        PREVIOUSMONTH(Calendar[Date])  
    ),  
    CALCULATE(  
        SUM(Sales[SalesAmount]),  
        PREVIOUSMONTH(Calendar[Date])  
    )  
)
```

- Use measure in matrix evaluating month and quarter
  - Measure returns correct value when filtered by Month
  - Measure returns large, erroneous value when filtered by Quarter

| Year | Quarter | Month        | Sales Revenue      | Sales Growth PM |
|------|---------|--------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| 2014 | 2014-Q1 | Jan 2014     | \$629,969          | -18.13 %        |
|      |         | Feb 2014     | \$609,637          | -3.23 %         |
|      |         | Mar 2014     | \$628,618          | 3.11 %          |
|      |         | <b>Total</b> | <b>\$1,868,225</b> | <b>142.79 %</b> |
|      | 2014-Q2 | Apr 2014     | \$661,588          | 5.24 %          |
|      |         | May 2014     | \$748,193          | 13.09 %         |
|      |         | Jun 2014     | \$814,333          | 8.84 %          |
|      |         | <b>Total</b> | <b>\$2,224,114</b> | <b>253.81 %</b> |
|      | 2014-Q3 | Jul 2014     | \$788,469          | -3.18 %         |



# Using the ISFILTERED Function

- ISFILTERED function used to determine when perform evaluation

```
Sales Growth PM =  
IF(  
  ( ISFILTERED(Calendar[Month]) && NOT(ISFILTERED(Calendar[Date])) ),  
  DIVIDE(  
    SUM(Sales[SalesAmount]) -  
    CALCULATE(  
      SUM(Sales[SalesAmount]),  
      PREVIOUSMONTH(Calendar[Date])  
    ),  
    CALCULATE(  
      SUM(Sales[SalesAmount]),  
      PREVIOUSMONTH(Calendar[Date])  
    )  
  ),  
  BLANK()  
)
```

- Expression returns Blank value when evaluation context is invalid

| Year | Quarter | Month    | Sales Revenue | Sales Growth PM |
|------|---------|----------|---------------|-----------------|
| 2014 | 2014-Q1 | Jan 2014 | \$629,969     | -18.13 %        |
|      |         | Feb 2014 | \$609,637     | -3.23 %         |
|      |         | Mar 2014 | \$628,618     | 3.11 %          |
|      |         | Total    | \$1,868,225   |                 |
|      | 2014-Q2 | Apr 2014 | \$661,588     | 5.24 %          |
|      |         | May 2014 | \$748,193     | 13.09 %         |
|      |         | Jun 2014 | \$814,333     | 8.84 %          |
|      |         | Total    | \$2,224,114   |                 |
|      | 2014-Q3 | Jul 2014 | \$788,469     | -3.18 %         |
|      |         | Aug 2014 | \$869,143     | 10.23 %         |



# Simulating KPIs with Power BI Desktop

- KPIs are not directly support in data model
  - But you can create something similar using measures

```
Sales Growth PM Eval =  
IF( ISNUMBER([Sales Growth PM]),  
    SWITCH(TRUE(),  
        ([Sales Growth PM] >= 0.2), "EXCELLENT",  
        ([Sales Growth PM] >= 0.1), "GOOD",  
        ([Sales Growth PM] >= 0), "OK",  
        ([Sales Growth PM] < 0), "BAD"  
    )  
))
```

| Year | Quarter | Month    | Sales Revenue | Sales Growth PM | Sales Growth PM Eval |
|------|---------|----------|---------------|-----------------|----------------------|
| 2014 | 2014-Q1 | Jan 2014 | \$629,969     | -18.13 %        | AWFUL                |
|      |         | Feb 2014 | \$609,637     | -3.23 %         | BAD                  |
|      |         | Mar 2014 | \$628,618     | 3.11 %          | OK                   |
|      |         | Total    | \$1,868,225   |                 |                      |
|      | 2014-Q2 | Apr 2014 | \$661,588     | 5.24 %          | OK                   |
|      |         | May 2014 | \$748,193     | 13.09 %         | GOOD                 |
|      |         | Jun 2014 | \$814,333     | 8.84 %          | OK                   |
|      |         | Total    | \$2,224,114   |                 |                      |
|      | 2014-Q3 | Jul 2014 | \$788,469     | -3.18 %         | BAD                  |
|      |         | Aug 2014 | \$869,143     | 10.23 %         | GOOD                 |
|      |         | Sep 2014 | \$890,958     | 2.51 %          | OK                   |
|      |         | Total    | \$2,548,569   |                 |                      |



# Summary

- ✓ Creating Dimensional Hierarchies
- ✓ Understanding the Evaluation Context
- ✓ Extending the Data Model using Calendar Tables
- ✓ Writing DAX Expressions with Time Intelligence
- ✓ Writing DAX Code with Contextual Awareness

