

Business Analytics with Power Bl



Microsoft Services

Module 2: Power BI Service

Lesson 1: Get Data



Get Data











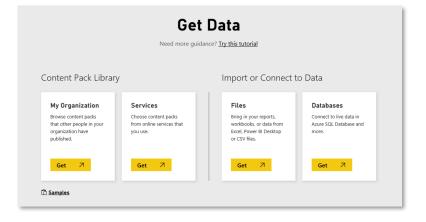


Connect to Data

• You can start by **connecting to data directly in the service**, without going into Desktop or Microsoft Excel first



- Data can come from:
 - Your Organization
 - SaaS Services
 - An Excel or a Power BI Desktop file
 - Other data sources



- After connecting, a dataset and associated reports and dashboards are available
- The data sources available in the PBI Desktop are not the same that are available directly from the service, but a .pbix file is a valid source



Import or Connect to Data - Files

 When you select the File option, the data can come from on-premises or cloud sources

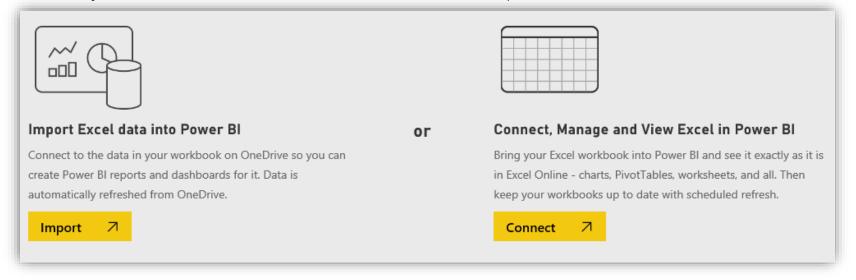


- Excel (.xlsx, xlsm) import the file or the Data Model
- Power BI Desktop the model and the visualizations are imported into the service
- .csv file data should be comma separated and must have a header
- Replacements must have the same name



Import or Connect to Data - Files

When you connect to Excel, there are two options



- The first expects a Data Model in the file
- The second will allow you to see the Excel file inside of Power BI and even edit it and use parts of it for dashboards (OD4B or Sharepoint, only)
- Updates will reflect automatically in Power BI (~1h) (for Excel and Desktop)



Import or Connect to Data - Databases

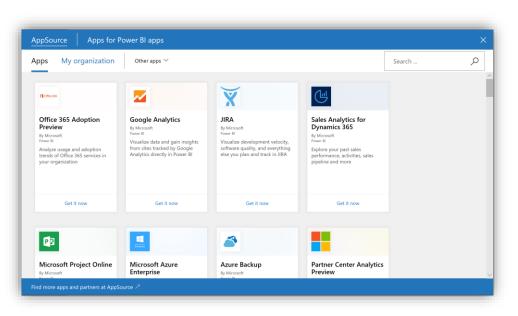


- Data can be stored in the cloud or on-premises (SSAS)
- Access to the data is live (DirectQuery) every interaction starts a query on the backend (data is always updated)
- For access to the SSAS data on-prem, an Enterprise Gateway must be set up
- More live sources are expected in the future



AppSource - Services

- Data can come from third-party
 SaaS services as content packs
- These content packs contain a dataset, reports, and dashboards
- Data shown depends on credentials provided (and the service)
- More than fifty already exist and more are getting added frequently
- Data is curated by the provider
- You are not limited to the existing reports and dashboards
- The Power BI AppSource supercharged with AI, suggests interesting and relevant apps to end users.



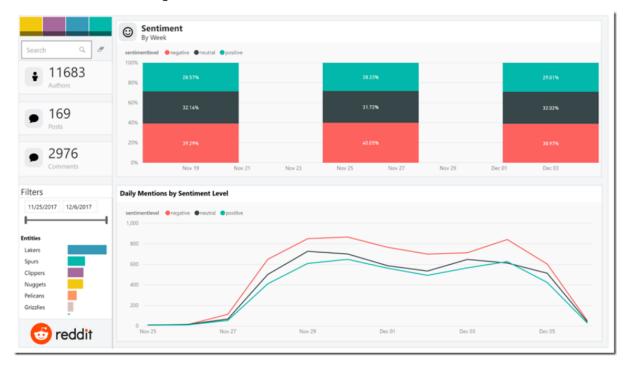


AppSource – My Organization

- Similar to Service Content Packs, they contain elements like datasets, reports, dashboards, and even Excel files
- Can be **shared** with **specific teams** (groups) or with an **entire organization**
- A dedicated library exists to display them, which follows permissions and is searchable
- Analytical elements are read-only but can be extended. At that time, a
 personal copy is generated
- Updates to the source content pack will not overwrite the personal copy
- Only the creator controls content and data refresh scheduling
- Except for SSAS as a source and Cloud Secured models, all users see the same data

Solution Templates

- **Get Data**
- OOB solutions with ETL, storage and reports
- Example Reddit: Combining AI with interactive visual analytics to reveal how different brands are performing across the Reddit platfc 1. Overview This workbook shows the big picture for selected brands and the key influencers and communities talking about them.

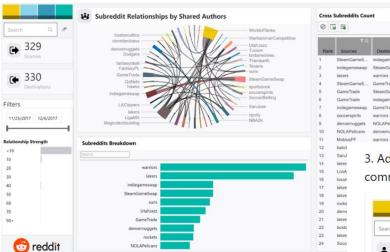


Solution Templates



- Pinning and Navigation
- Keeping Data
 Current
- Q&A and Quick Insights
- Sharing
- Connect from Excel
- Mobile Reports

2. Targeting and Activation – This workbook reveals how communities relate to brands across the Reddit platform and highlights key influencers.



3. Advanced Analytics – This workbook enables deep analytic exploration of Reddit posts, comments, and user activity relating to selected brands.

