Analyzing Data in Excel



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Module Goals



What is analysis?

Why analyze data?

How to analyze data

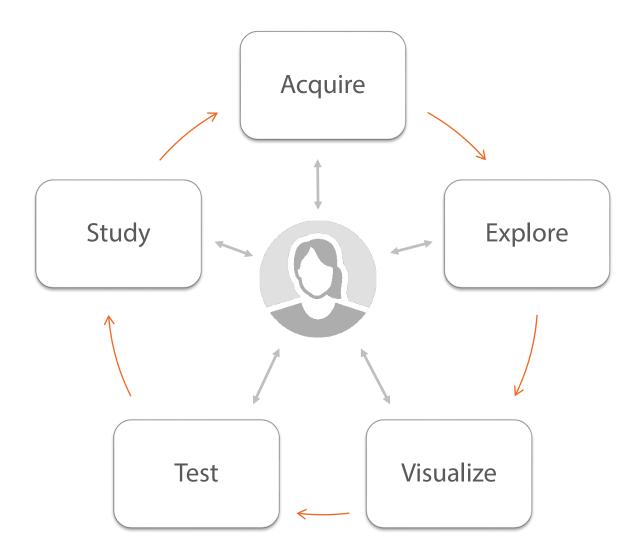
Where to find more

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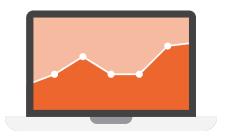


Analysis is the process of iterating through questions using data to uncover insights.

Analytics Cycle



Why Analyze Data?



Excel provides incredible analytics capabilities without any coding necessary at an economical price.



Analysis Tool Comparison

	Excel	SQL Server Bl	Tableau	R	Micro Strategy
Ease of Use	7	4	8	2	2
Data Modeling	4	7	7	5	9
Charting	5	4	9	6	6
Statistical Modeling	4	5	6	10	5
Delivery Options	6	5	7	5	7
	26	25	37	28	29

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How It Works

Cogsley Services Inc.



Sales by industry/sector

Avg. days to complete by manager

Hourly wage to bill rate ratio



Demo: Pivot Tables



Demo: Pivot Charts



Demo: Going Interactive

Where to Find More

Additional Resources



http://smarterer.com/tests/excel

http://smarterer.com/tests/analytics

http://www.pluralsight.com/courses/excelanalytics-superhub

http://www.pluralsight.com/courses/pragmatic-self-service-bi-powerpivot-excel