The excel template provides a comprehensive financial dashboard for department managers to:

- Input and track budget forecasts
- Compare forecasts against actual data
- Analyze variances and trends
- View performance metrics across different periods

The worksheets are:

Sheet 1: Budget Forecast

Purpose: Input and store budget forecasts **Structure**:

Column A: Period

Column B: Department

Column C: Revenue Forecast Column D: Expense Forecast Column E: Net Profit Forecast

Sheet 2: Actual_Data

Purpose: Record actual financial results

Column A: Period

Column B: Department

Column C: Revenue Variance Column D: Expense Variance Column E: Net Profit Variance Column F: Variance Percentages

Sheet 3: Variance_Analysis

Purpose: Calculate and display variances

Column A: Period

Column B: Department

Column C: Revenue Variance Column D: Expense Variance Column E: Net Profit Variance Column F: Variance Percentages

Sheet 4: Dashboard

Purpose: Visual representation of data

Formulas:

Net Profit Calculation: Net Profit = Revenue - Expenses

Variance Calculations:

Revenue Variance = Actual Revenue - Forecast Revenue Formula: =VLOOKUP(A2&B2,Actual_Data!\$A\$2:\$E\$1000,3,FALSE) - VLOOKUP(A2&B2,Budget_Forecast!\$A\$2:\$E\$1000,3,FALSE)