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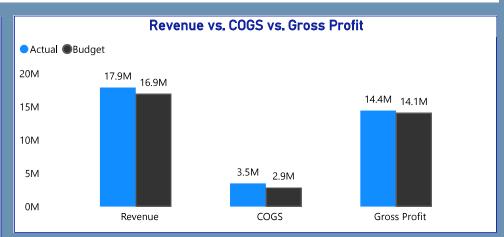


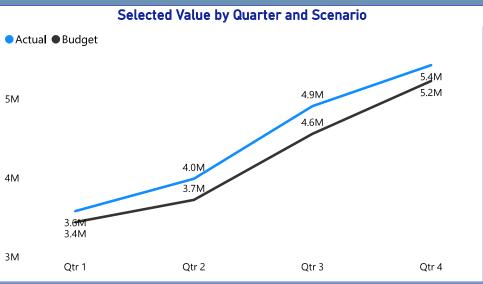
Income Statement (Actual vs Budget)				
Characteristic	Actuals	Budget	Variance	Variance %
Revenue	17,899,600.00	16,940,000.00	<b>1</b> 959,600.00	<b>↑</b> 5.66%
COGS	-3,471,350.00	-2,855,350.00	-616,000.00	-21.57%
Gross Profit	14,428,250.00	14,084,650.00	<b>1</b> 343,600.00	<b>1</b> 2.44%
Gross Margin	0.81	0.83	-0.03	-3.05%
Operating Expenses	-15,571,270.00	-16,938,337.50	1,367,067.50	<b>1</b> 8.07%
EBITDA	-1,143,020.00	-2,853,687.50	1,710,667.50	<b>1</b> 59.95%
Depreciation	-282,150.00	-65,200.00	-216,950.00	<b>↓</b> -332.75%
EBIT	-1,425,170.00	-2,918,887.50	1,493,717.50	<b>1</b> 51.17%
Interest Expense	-82,200.00	-90,000.00	7,800.00	<b>1</b> 8.67%
Interest Income	58,870.00	34,970.00	<b>1</b> 23,900.00	<b>1</b> 68.34%
Net Income before Tax	-1,448,500.00	-2,973,917.50	1,525,417.50	<b>1</b> 51.29%
Revenue	COGS	Gross F	Profit	Net Profit Before

In each year, Actual revenue exceeded the Budget. Cost of Goods Sold remained relatively low, resulting in Gross Profit margins consistently above 75%. Overall, the Gross Margin was 83% in 2022, 79% in 2023 and 81% in 2024.

Although Actual Gross Profit outperformed the Budget forecast, Net Income before tax was negative in both 2022 and 2023. Specifically, Net Income before tax was **-\$385,000** in 2022 and declined further to **-\$1.363,200** in 2023.

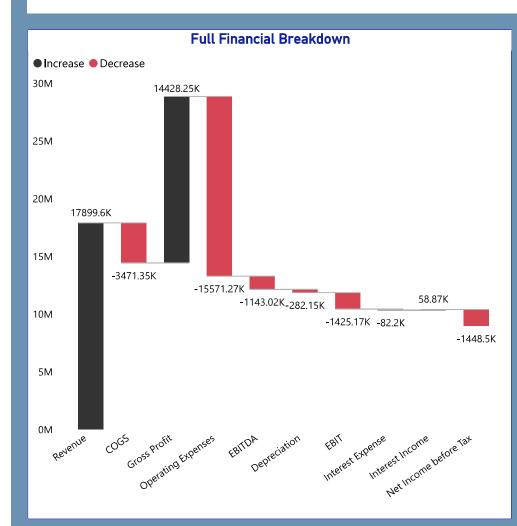
However, in 2024, performance improved significantly: Net Income before tax turned positive at \$299,900, which was 142% higher than the Budget expectation. The largest budgeted loss was forecast for 2023 at -\$1,701,801.50, but the actual loss came in lower at -\$1,363,200, demonstrating that the business was able to mitigate part of the expected deficit and prevent even greater loss.

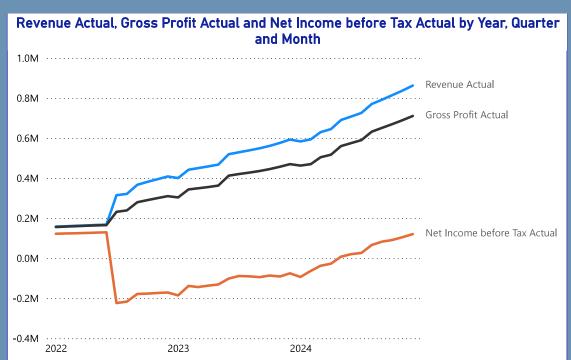




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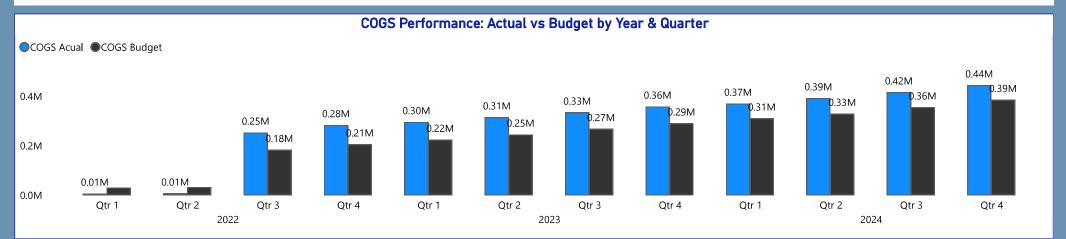


The largest contributors to expenses are **Operating Expenses** and **Cost of Goods Sold** (COGS). From the *Full Financial Breakdown* visual, it is clear that Operating Expenses are nearly five times higher than COGS (-15,572,150 vs. -3,471,350, respectively).

Net Income after tax dropped significantly in July 2022, with actual result falling below the Budget for that period. For three consecutive years, the business reported losses, before finally achieving positive Net Income in 2024. This turnaround was supported by strong Revenue and high Gross Profit, but the consistently elevated level of Operating Expenses highlights a structure cost challenge that limited profitability.

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321,300.00

17,899,600.00

287,500.00

16,940,000.00

11.76%

5.66%

### COGS Acual COGS Budget Variance COGS % Revenue Actual Revenue Budget Var\_Revenue % Year **□** 2022 548,550.00 450,350.00 -21.81% 3,164,800.00 2,950,000.00 7.28% 2.000.00 10.000.00 80.00% 158.000.00 150,000.00 5.33% January 2,050.00 10,100.00 79.70% 160.000.00 152,500.00 4.92% February 2,100.00 10.200.00 79.41% 162.000.00 155,000.00 4.52% March 2,150.00 164,000.00 162,500.00 0.92% 10,750.00 80.00% April 2,200.00 10,850.00 79.72% 165,000.00 0.61% 166,000.00 May 0.30% 2,250.00 10,950.00 79.45% 168,000.00 167,500.00 June 82,900.00 60,000.00 -38.17% 314,500.00 285,000.00 10.35%

-37.33%

-21.57%

60.000.00

2,855,350.00

82.400.00

3,471,350.00

July

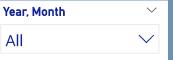
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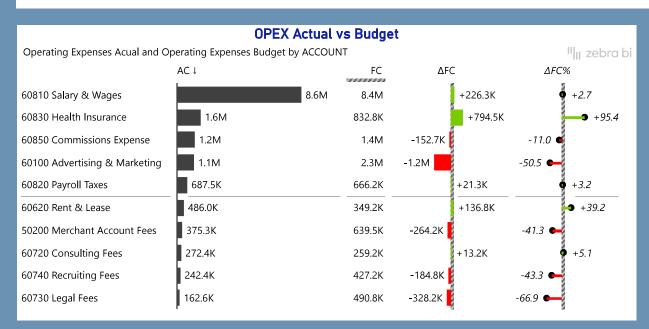
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COGS Performance: Actual vs Budget by Year & Quarter

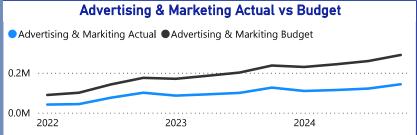
At the beginning of 2022, COGS were below **budgeted levels**. However, in July 2022, they rose sharply from \$2,250 to \$82,900 and continued to increase steadily, reaching \$152,000 per month by 2024. This significant increase was not matched by proportional revenue growth. In 2022, Cost of Goods Sold (COGS) rose by 26.84%, while Revenue grew by only 6.91%, indicating a widening gap between operational costs and income. The disparity became more pronounced in Q4 of 2022, where COGS surged nearly 40%, compared to just **7–10%** growth in Revenue. By the end of 2024, the imbalance persisted, with a 17% increase in COGS resulting in only 0.52% Revenue growth.

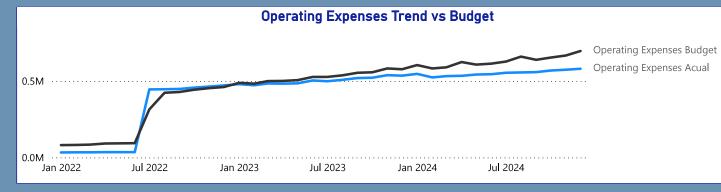
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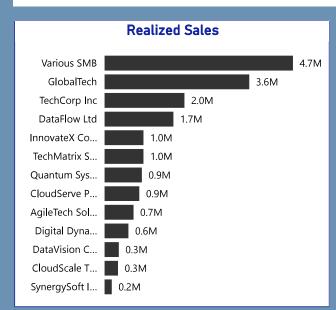


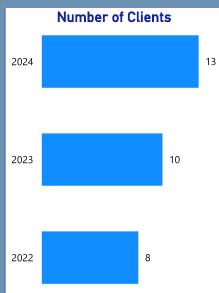


Operating Expenses (OPEX) represented a substantial portion of total expenditures. In July 2022, OPEX exceeded budget and remained above forecasted levels through yearend. Beginning in 2023, expenses started to decline, falling below projections, and by 2024 were significantly under budget. Within OPEX, Salaries and Wages showed minimal variance from budget. However, Health Insurance consistently exceeded expectations, rising by 119.6% in 2022, 103.5% in 2023, and 79.2% in 2024. In contrast, Marketing expenses remained consistently under budget across all three years.

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Between 2022 and 2024, actual sales consistently outperformed the budget. However, in July 2022, the company experienced a sharp decline in net income, primarily driven by a sudden increase in Cost of Goods Sold (COGS). This coincided with an expansion of the client base—from 3 to 6 clients in July 2022—which likely contributed to higher costs. Client growth continued steadily, reaching 10 clients by the end of 2023 and 13 by the end of 2024—more than four times the number in 2022. The modest acquisition of only two new clients in 2023 suggests a temporary slowdown before accelerating again in 2024.

