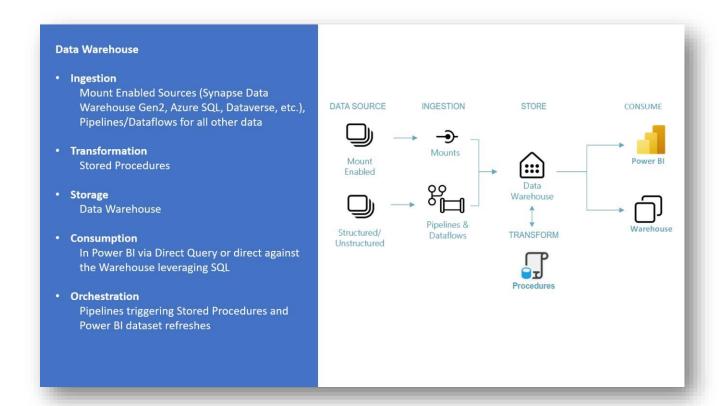
Tutorial

Data Warehouse

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Introduction

What is Fabric?

Fabric provides a one-stop shop for all the analytical needs for every enterprise. It covers the complete spectrum of services including data movement, data lake, data engineering, data integration and data science, real time analytics, and business intelligence. With Fabric, there is no need to stitch together different services from multiple vendors. Instead, the customer enjoys an end-to-end, highly integrated, single comprehensive product that is easy to understand, onboard, create and operate. There is no other product on the market that offers the breadth, depth, and level of integration that Fabric offers. Additionally, Microsoft Purview is included by default in every tenant to meet compliance and governance needs.

To get an overview over the components and concepts of Fabric read Fabric - Overview and Concepts.

Purpose of this tutorial

While many concepts in Fabric may be familiar to data and analytics professionals it can be challenging to apply those concepts in a new environment. This tutorial has been designed to walk step-by-step through an end-to-end scenario from data acquisition to data consumption to build a basic understanding of the Fabric UX, the various workloads and their integration points, and the Fabric professional and citizen developer experiences.

The tutorials are not intended to be a reference architecture, an exhaustive list of features and functionality, or a recommendation of specific best practices.

The data warehouse tutorial

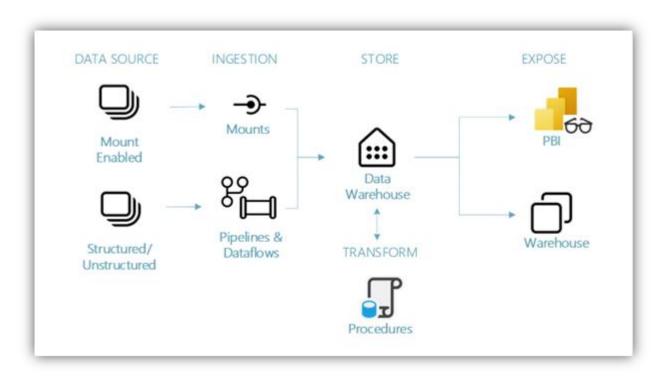
In this tutorial, you will take on the role of a data warehouse developer at the fictional Wide World Importers company and complete the following steps:

- Sign into your Power BI online account, or if you don't have an account yet, sign up for a free trial.
- Build and implement an end-to-end data warehouse for your organization:

 Enable Fabric in your tenant

 Create a Fabric workspace
 Quickly create a data warehouse
 - \circ $\:$ Ingest data from source to the data warehouse dimensional model \circ Transform the data to create aggregated datasets using T-SQL
 - Perform orchestration, data ingestion, and data transformation with pipelines
 Query the data warehouse using T-SQL and a visual query editor
 Create Power BI report using DirectLake mode to analyze the data in place
- Cleanup resources by deleting the workspace and other items

The data warehouse end-to-end architecture



Data Sources – Fabric makes it easy and quick to connect to Azure Data Services, other cloud platforms, and on-premises data sources to ingest data from.

Ingestion – With 200+ native connectors as part of the Fabric pipeline and with drag and drop data transformation with dataflow, you can quickly build insights for your organization. Shortcut is a new feature in Fabric that provides a way to connect to existing data without having to copy or move it – more details about Shortcut later in this tutorial.

Transform and Store – Fabric standardizes on Delta Lake format, that means all the engines of Fabric can read and work on the same dataset stored in OneLake – no need for data duplicity. This storage allows you to build a data warehouse or data mesh based on your organizational need. For transformation, you can choose either low-code or nocode experience with pipelines/dataflows or use T-SQL for a code first experience.

Consume – Data from the data warehouse can be consumed by Power BI, industry leading business intelligence tool, for reporting and visualization. Each data warehouse comes with a built-in TDS/SQL endpoint for easily connecting to and querying data from other reporting tools, when needed. When a data warehouse is created a secondary item, called a default dataset, will be automatically generated at the same time with the same name of the data warehouse to start visualizing data with just a couple of mouse clicks.

The sample data

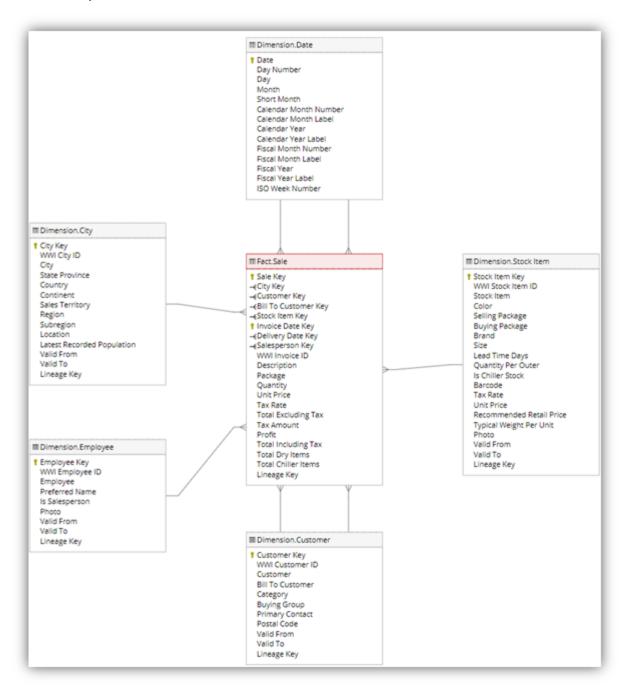
For sample data, we are going to use <u>Wide World Importers (WWI) sample database</u>. For our data warehouse end-to-end scenario, we have generated sufficient data for a sneak peek into the scale and performance capabilities of the Fabric platform.

Wide World Importers (WWI) is a wholesale novelty goods importer and distributor operating from the San Francisco Bay area. As a wholesaler, WWI's customers are mostly companies who resell to individuals. WWI sells to retail customers across the United States including specialty stores, supermarkets, computing stores, tourist attraction shops, and some individuals. WWI also sells to other wholesalers via a network of agents who promote the products on WWI's behalf. You can learn more about their company profile and operation here.

Typically, you would bring data from transactional systems (or line of business applications) into a data lake or data warehouse staging area, however for simplicity of this tutorial, we are going to use the dimensional model provided by WWI as our initial data source. We are going to use it as the source to ingest the data into a data warehouse and transform it through T-SQL.

The data model

While the WWI dimensional model contains multiple fact tables, for simplicity in explanation we will focus on the Sale Fact table and its related dimensions only, as below, to demonstrate this end-to-end data warehouse scenario:



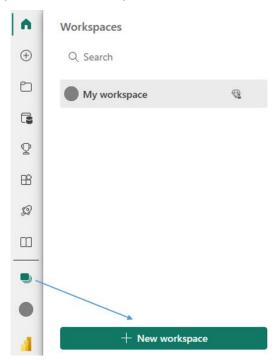
Module 1: Create a workspace

Before you can begin building the warehouse, you will need to create a workspace where you will build out the remainder of the tutorial. In this module, you will learn to:

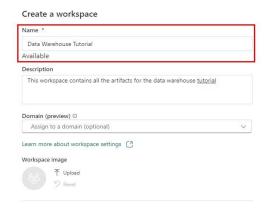
Create a workspace

The workspace will contain all the artifacts needed for data warehousing including Data Factory pipelines, the data warehouse, Power BI datasets, and reports.

- 1. Sign in to Power Bl.
- 2. Select Workspaces > New Workspace.



- 3. Fill out the **Create a workspace** form as follows:
 - a. Name: Enter Data Warehouse Tutorial, and some characters for uniqueness.



- b. **Description**: Optionally, enter a description for the workspace.
- c. Expand the Advanced section.

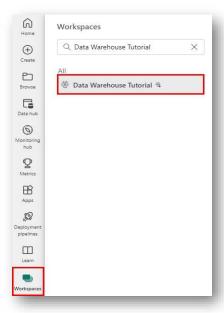
- d. Choose **Premium Capacity** in the **License Mode** section.
- e. Choose a premium capacity you have access to.
- f. Select **Apply**. The workspace will be created and opened.

Module 2: Build your first data warehouse

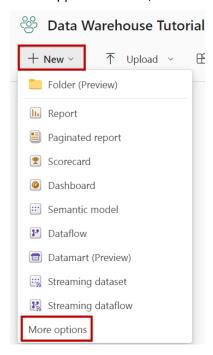
The intent of this module is to quickly build end to end journey of building a data warehouse, ingesting data for a table and then using the data warehouse for creating a report.

Create a data warehouse

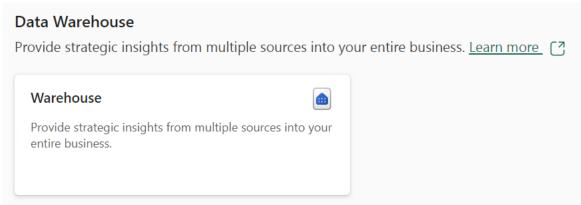
- 1. In the <u>Power BI service</u> select **Workspaces** in the left-hand menu.
- 2. Search for the workspace you create in Module 1 by typing in the search textbox at the top and click on your workspace to open it.



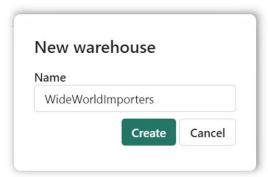
3. In the upper left corner, select **New > More Options** to display a full list of available items.



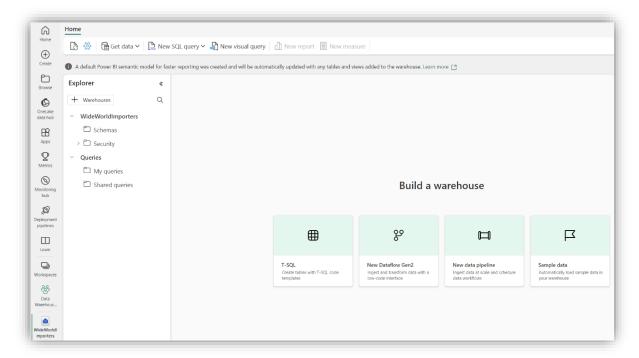
5. In the **Data warehouse** section, select **Warehouse**.



- 6. On the **New warehouse** dialog, enter **WideWorldImporters** as the name.
- 7. Select Create.



When provisioning is complete the **Build a warehouse** landing page will be shown.

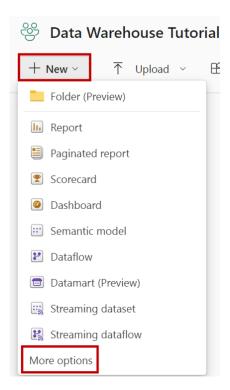


Data ingestion

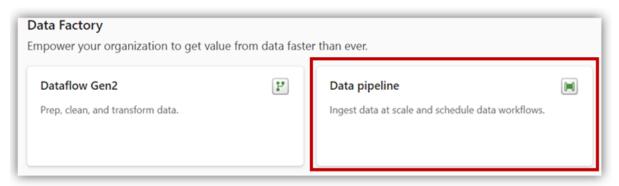
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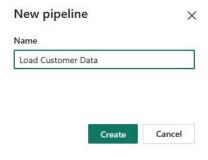
2. In the upper left corner, select **New > More Options** to display a full list of available items.



9. In the **Data Factory** section, select **Data pipeline**.

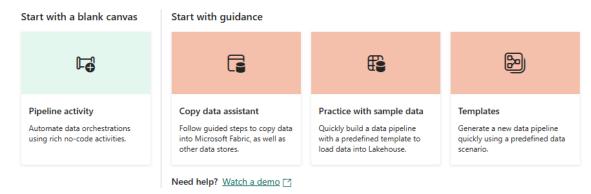


10. On the **New pipeline** dialog, enter **Load Customer Data** as the name.

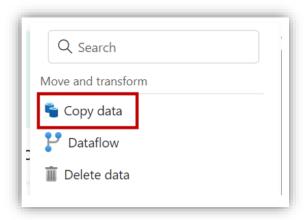


- 11. Select Create.
- 12. Select Add pipeline activity from the Start building your data pipeline landing page.

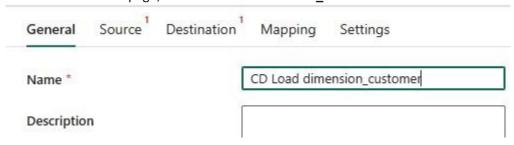
Build a data pipeline to organize and move your data



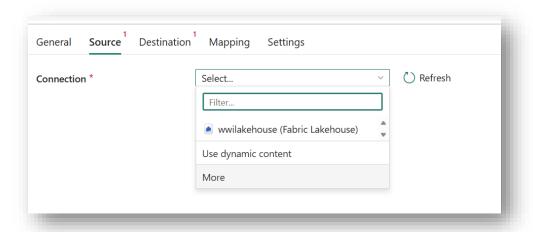
13. Select Copy data from the Move & transform section.



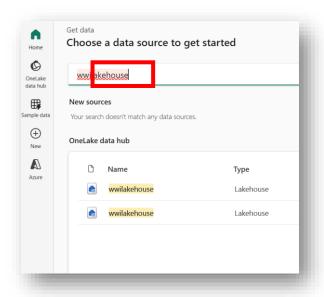
- 14. If necessary, select the newly created Copy data activity from the design canvas and follow the steps below to configure it.
- 15. On the **General** page, enter **CD Load dimension_customer** as the **Name**.



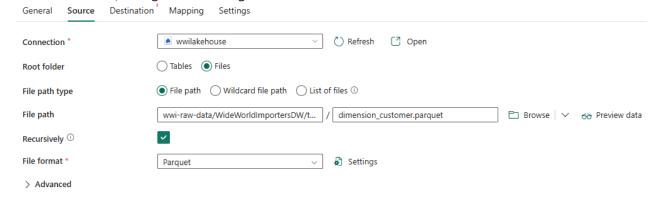
16. On the Source page Under Connection, select More



17. Type **wwilakehouse** in the search box to select the lakehouse created in the lakehouse tutorial. Make sure you are the owner of the lakehouse and is the one you created in the prior tutorial as multiple names will show up.



18. On the File Path, configure the settings as follows:

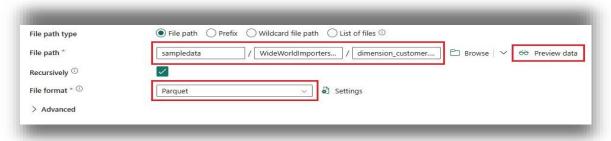


File path - Directory: wwi-raw-data/WideWorldImportersDW/tables

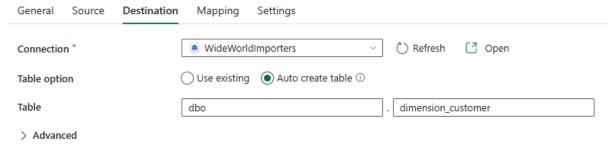
File path - File name: dimension_customer.parquet

File format: Parquet

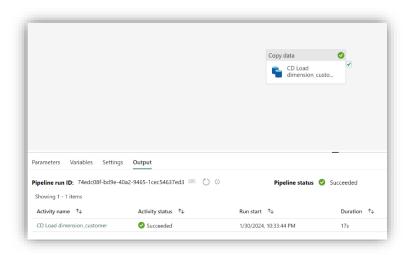
19. Select **Preview data** next to the **File path** setting to ensure there are no errors.



- 20. On the **Destination** page, select **Workspace** for the **Data store type**.
- 21. Select Warehouse for the Workspace data store type.
- 22. In the Warehouse drop down, select WideWorldImporters from the list.
- 23. Next to the Table option setting, select Auto create table
- 24. In the first box (schema name) next to the **Table** setting, enter **dbo**.
- 25. In the second box(table name) next to the **Table** setting, enter **dimension_customer**.



- 26. From the ribbon, select Run.
- 27. Select Save and run from the dialog box. The pipeline to load the dimension customer table with start.
- 28. Monitor the copy activity's progress on the Output page and wait for it to complete.

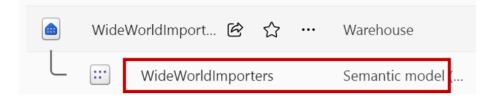


Building a report

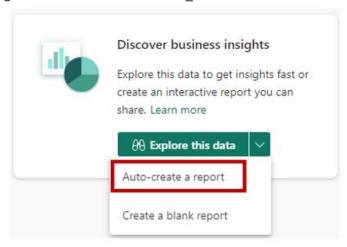
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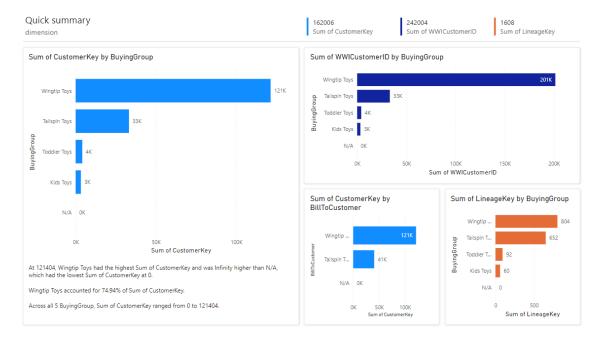
2. From the artifact list, select **WideWorldImporters** with the type of **Semantic Model (default)**.



3. In the **Discover business insights** section, select **Explore this data > Auto-create a report**. A report will be generated from the dimension customer table that was loaded in the previous section.



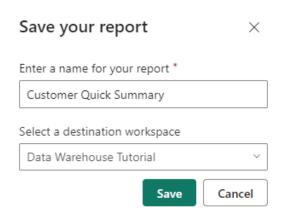
4. A report like the one shown below will be generated.



5. From the ribbon, select Save.



- 7. Enter **Customer Quick Summary** in the name box.
- 8. Select Save.

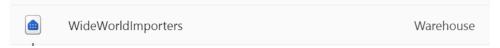


Module 3: Extending the solution

Now that you have see how to build a data warehouse, load a table, and generate a report it is time to extend the solution by exploring additional methods for loading data, querying data, and building reports.

Creating tables in the data warehouse

- 1. Select Workspaces in the left-hand menu of the Power BI service.
- 2. Select the workspace created in Module 1: Getting started, such as Data Warehouse Tutorial.
- 3. From the artifact list, select **WideWorldImporters** with the type of **Warehouse**.



4. From the ribbon, select New SQL query.



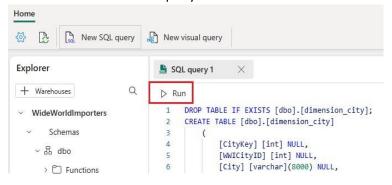
5. In the query editor, paste the code below.

Note: In case of issues with copy/paste formatting, a text file containing the script called **Create Tables.txt** can be accessed from the Scripts folder.

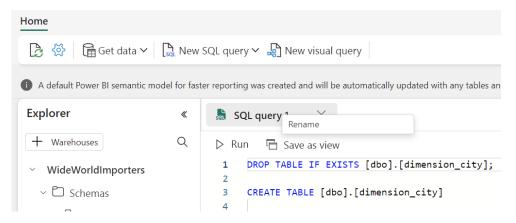
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1. Drop the dimension_city table if it already exists.
2. Create the dimension_city table.
3. Drop the fact_sale table if it already exists.
4. Create the fact_sale table.
*/
--dimension_city
DROP TABLE IF EXISTS [dbo].[dimension_city];
CREATE TABLE [dbo].[dimension city]
        [CityKey] [int] NULL,
        [WWICityID] [int] NULL,
        [City] [varchar](8000) NULL,
        [StateProvince] [varchar](8000) NULL,
        [Country] [varchar](8000) NULL,
        [Continent] [varchar](8000) NULL,
        [SalesTerritory] [varchar](8000) NULL,
        [Region] [varchar](8000) NULL,
        [Subregion] [varchar](8000) NULL,
        [Location] [varchar](8000) NULL,
        [LatestRecordedPopulation] [bigint] NULL,
        [ValidFrom] [datetime2](6) NULL,
        [ValidTo] [datetime2](6) NULL,
        [LineageKey] [int] NULL
    );
--fact_sale
DROP TABLE IF EXISTS [dbo].[fact_sale];
CREATE TABLE [dbo].[fact_sale]
        [SaleKey] [bigint] NULL,
        [CityKey] [int] NULL,
        [CustomerKey] [int] NULL,
        [BillToCustomerKey] [int] NULL,
        [StockItemKey] [int] NULL,
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[InvoiceDateKey] [datetime2](6) NULL,
[DeliveryDateKey] [datetime2](6) NULL,
     [SalespersonKey] [int] NULL,
     [WWIInvoiceID] [int] NULL,
[Description] [varchar](8000) NULL,
     [Package] [varchar](8000) NULL,
     [Quantity] [int] NULL,
[UnitPrice] [decimal](18, 2) NULL,
     [TaxRate] [decimal](18, 3) NULL,
     [TotalExcludingTax] [decimal](29, 2) NULL, [TaxAmount] [decimal](38, 6) NULL,
     [Profit] [decimal](18, 2) NULL,
     [TotalIncludingTax] [decimal](38, 6) NULL,
     [TotalDryItems] [int] NULL,
     [TotalChillerItems] [int] NULL,
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     [Month] [int] NULL,
     [Year] [int] NULL,
     [Quarter] [int] NULL
);
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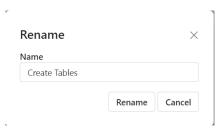
6. Select **Run** to execute the query.



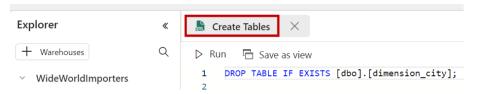
7. To save this query for reference later, right-click on the query tab just above the editor and select **Rename**.



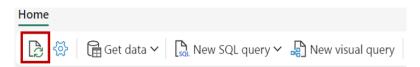
8. Type **Create Tables** to change the name of the query.



9. Click **Rename** to save the query with a given name



10. Validate the table was created successfully by clicking the refresh button on the ribbon.



11. In the **Object explorer** verify that you can see the newly created **Create Tables** query, **fact_sale** table, and **dimension_city** table.

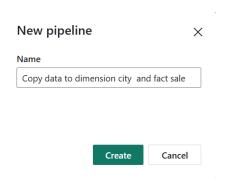


Loading data using Pipeline

1. From the Data factory experience, select New Data Pipeline

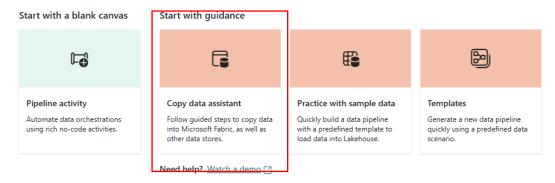


2. Name the Pipeline Copy data to dimension city and fact sale

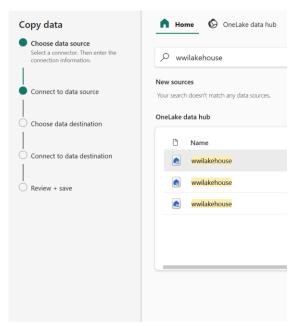


3. Click on 'Copy data assistant' in the middle of the canvas screen.

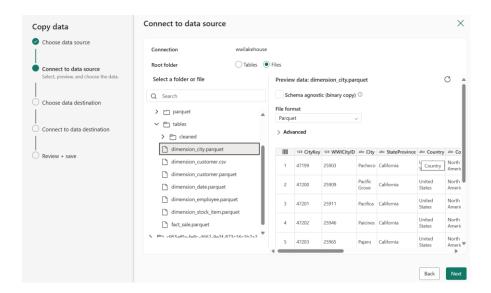
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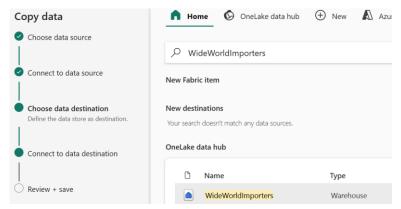
4. In the copy data assistant window, search for **wwilakehouse** and select the lakehouse you own as it will show multiple lakehouse



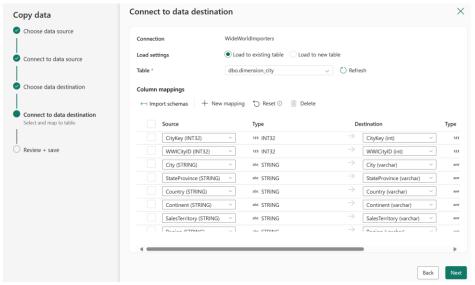
5. Select 'Files' for the Root Folder option and select the file **dimension_city.parquet** as the source file located at 'wwi-raw-data/WidWorldImportersDW/tables. Click next.



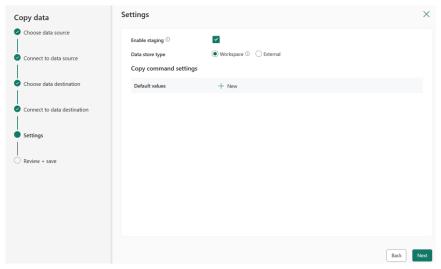
6. In destination choose warehouse **WideWorldImporters**. Select the one you own as multiple warehouses with the same name will show up



7. Leave selected 'Load to existing table' for Load Settings and ensure 'dbo.dimension_city' is the table selected in the box next to 'Table'. Click next.



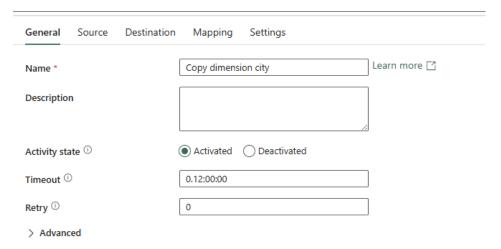
8. Make sure **enable staging** is enabled. Click next.



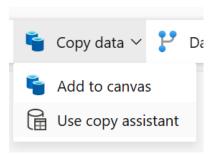
9. Make sure option Start data transfer immediately is unchecked as we will run it later. Click ok



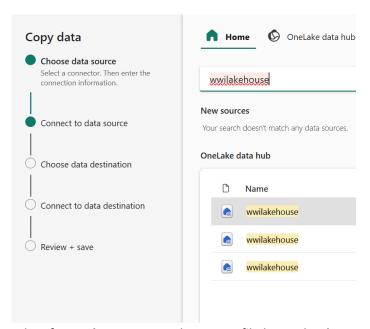
10. Rename the copy data activity as Copy dimension city in the general tab of the copy activity.



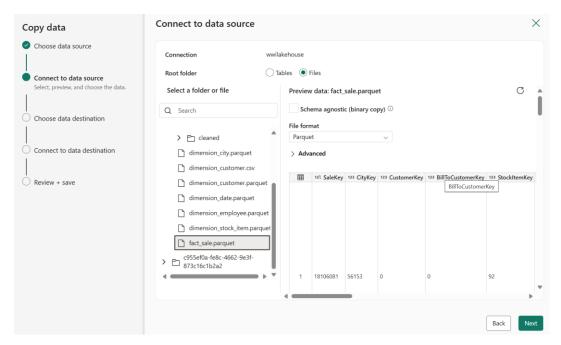
11. Add one more copy data activity to the canvas. Choose Use copy assistant option



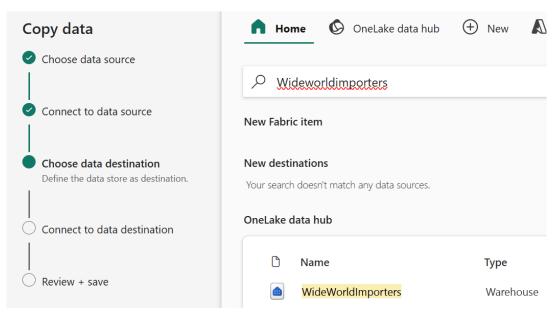
12. Select wwilakehouse as the lakehouse source. Make sure to select the one you own ad multiple lakehouse will show up.



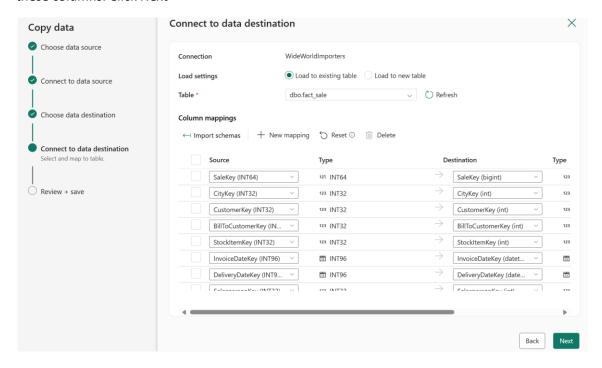
13. Select fact_sale.parquet as the source file located at 'wwi-raw-data/WidWorldImportersDW/tables.. Click next.

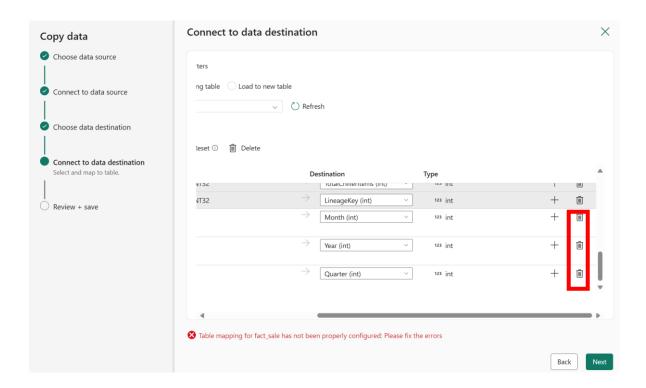


14. Choose **Wideworksimporters** warehouse as the target destination . Make sure to select the one you own as multiples will show up.

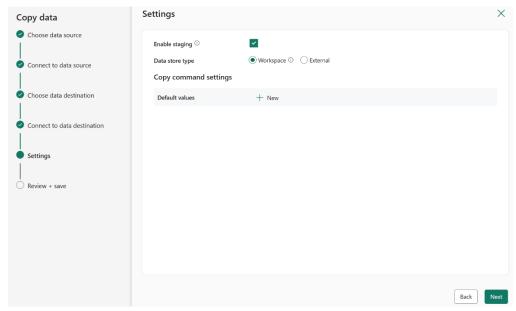


15. In the mappings tab, Make sure to delete the mapping for **Month, Year and Quarter** as the source file doesn't contain these columns. Click Next

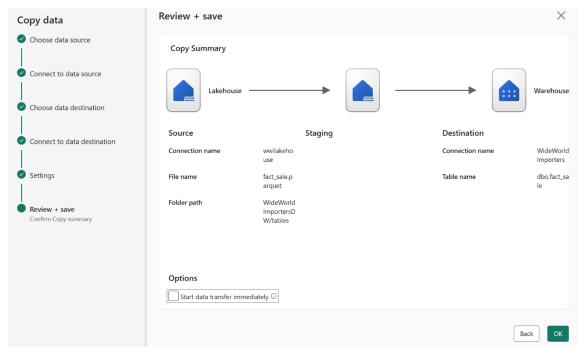




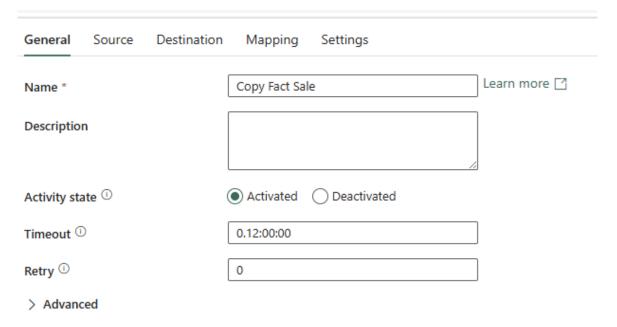
16. Make sure the enable staging option is checked, Click Next



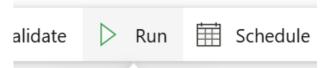
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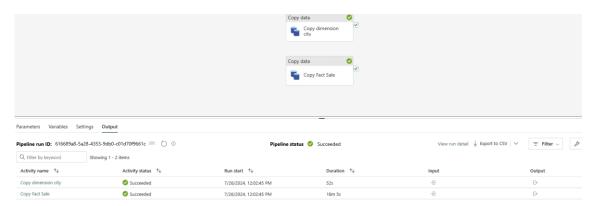
18. Rename the copy activity as Copy Fact Sale



19. Now that we have both the copy activity defined, Run the entire pipeline by clicking the Run option from the ribbon



20. Monitor the pipeline for successful completion.



21. Validate in the warehouse WideWorldImporters that the tables have been loaded successfully by navigating back to your data warehouse.

Data transformation using a stored procedure

1. From the **Home** tab of the ribbon, select **New SQL query**.



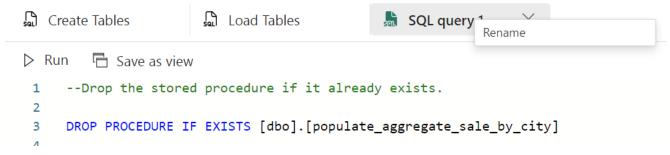
2. In the query editor, paste the code below.

Note: In case of issues with copy/paste formatting, a text file containing the script called **Create Aggregate Procedure.txt** from the Scripts folder .

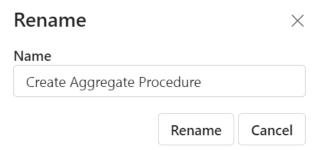
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--Drop the stored procedure if it already exists.
DROP PROCEDURE IF EXISTS [dbo].[populate_aggregate_sale_by_city]
GO
--Create the populate_aggregate_sale_by_city stored procedure.
CREATE PROCEDURE [dbo].[populate_aggregate_sale_by_city]
AS
BEGTN
    --If the aggregate table already exists, drop it. Then create the table.
    DROP TABLE IF EXISTS [dbo].[aggregate_sale_by_date_city];
    CREATE TABLE [dbo].[aggregate_sale_by_date_city]
            [Date] [DATETIME2](6),
            [City] [VARCHAR](8000),
            [StateProvince] [VARCHAR](8000),
            [SalesTerritory] [VARCHAR](8000),
            [SumOfTotalExcludingTax] [DECIMAL](38,2),
            [SumOfTaxAmount] [DECIMAL](38,6),
            [SumOfTotalIncludingTax] [DECIMAL](38,6),
            [SumOfProfit] [DECIMAL](38,2)
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);
    --Reload the aggregated dataset to the table.
    INSERT INTO [dbo].[aggregate_sale_by_date_city]
    SELECT
        FS.[InvoiceDateKey] AS [Date],
       DC.[City],
       DC.[StateProvince],
        DC.[SalesTerritory],
        SUM(FS.[TotalExcludingTax]) AS [SumOfTotalExcludingTax],
        SUM(FS.[TaxAmount]) AS [SumOfTaxAmount],
        SUM(FS.[TotalIncludingTax]) AS [SumOfTotalIncludingTax],
        SUM(FS.[Profit]) AS [SumOfProfit]
    FROM [dbo].[fact_sale] AS FS
    INNER JOIN [dbo].[dimension_city] AS DC
        ON FS.[CityKey] = DC.[CityKey]
    GROUP BY
        FS.[InvoiceDateKey],
       DC.[City],
       DC.[StateProvince],
       DC.[SalesTerritory]
   ORDER BY
        FS.[InvoiceDateKey],
        DC.[StateProvince],
        DC.[City];
END
```

1. To save this query for reference later, right-click on the query tab just above the editor and select **Rename**.



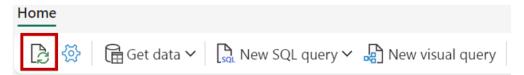
2. Type Create Aggregate Procedure to change the name of the query.



- 3. Click on **Rename** to save the query with given name
- 4. Select **Run** to execute the query.

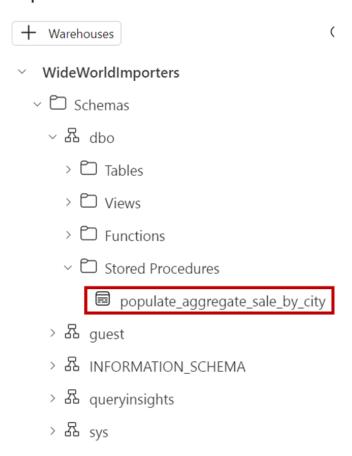


5. Click the refresh button on the ribbon.



6. In the **Object explorer** verify that you can see the newly created stored procedure by expanding the **StoredProcedures** node under the **dbo** schema.

Explorer

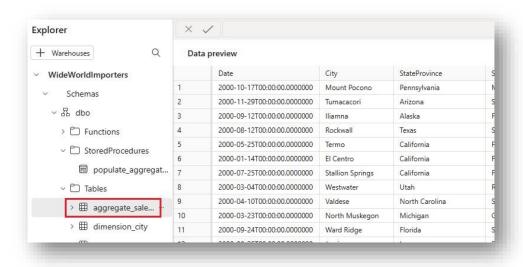


- 7. From the **Home** tab of the ribbon, select **New SQL query**.
- 8. In the query editor, paste the code below.

Note: In case of issues with copy/paste formatting, a text file containing the script called **Run Aggregate Procedure.txt** can be accessed from the Scripts folder .

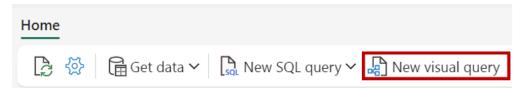
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--Execute the stored procedure to create the aggregate table.
EXEC [dbo].[populate_aggregate_sale_by_city];
```

- 9. To save this query for reference later, right-click on the query tab just above the editor and select **Rename**.
- 10. Type **Run Create Aggregate Procedure** to change the name of the query.
- 11. Select **Run** to execute the query.
- 12. Click the refresh button on the ribbon. The query will take between 2 and 3 minutes to execute.
- 13. In the **Object explorer**, load the data preview to validate the data loaded successfully by clicking on the **aggregate_sale_by_city** table in the **Explorer**.

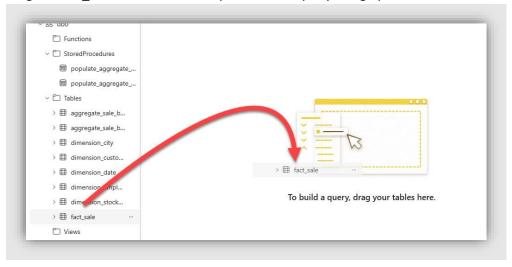


Using the visual query builder

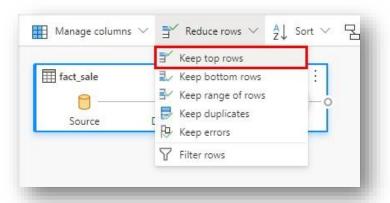
1. From the **Home** tab of the ribbon, select **New visual query**.



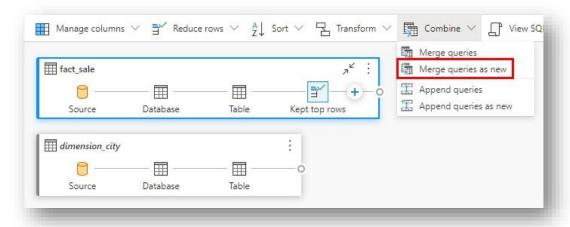
2. Drag the fact_sale table from the explorer to the query design pane.



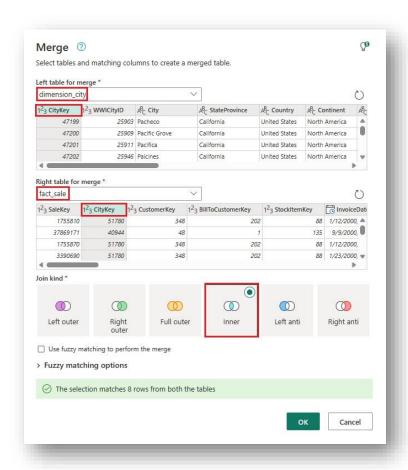
3. Limit the dataset size by selecting **Reduce rows > Keep top rows** from the transformations ribbon.



- 4. In the **Keep top rows** dialog enter **10,000**.
- 5. Select OK.
- 6. Drag the dimension_city table from the explorer to the query design pane.
- 7. From the transformations ribbon, select the dropdown next to **Combine** and select **Merge queries as new**.

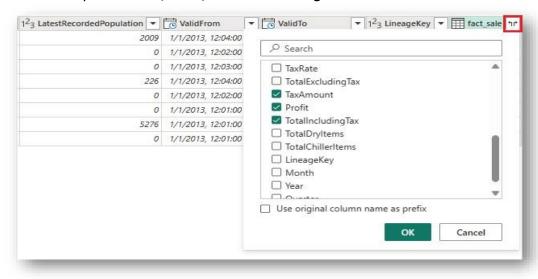


- 8. On the Merge settings page:
 - a. **Left table for merge:** dimension_city
 - b. Right table for merge: fact sale
 - c. Select the **CityKey** field in the **dimension_city** table by clicking on the column name in the header row to indicate the join column.
 - d. Select the **CityKey** field in the **fact_sale** table by clicking on the column name in the header row to indicate the join column.
 - e. Join kind: Inner



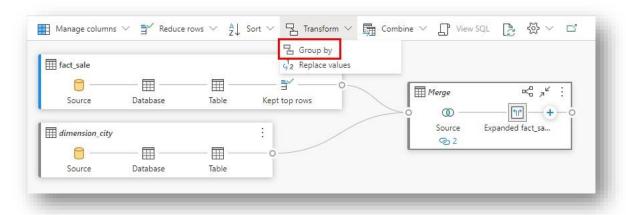
Select OK.

2. With the **Merge** step selected, select the **Expand** button next to **fact_sale** on the header of the data grid then select only **TaxAmount**, **Profit**, and **TotalIncludingTax**.



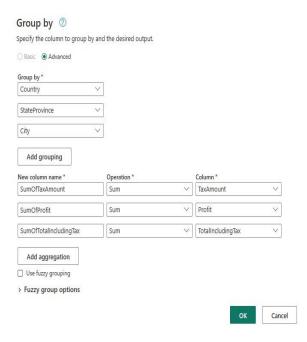
9. Select OK.

10. Select **Transform > Group by** from the transformations ribbon.



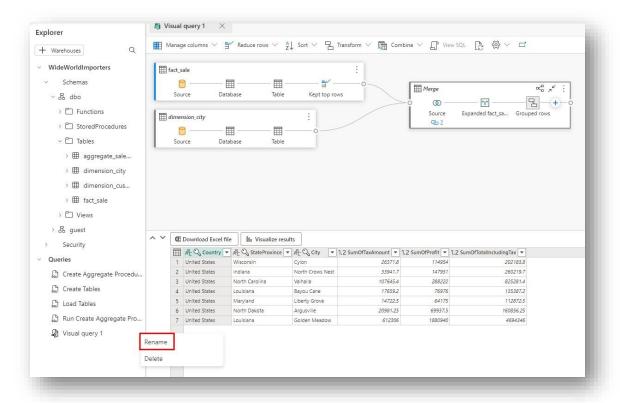
- 11. On the **Group by** settings page:
 - a. Change to **Advanced**.
 - b. Group by (if necessary, select Add grouping to add additional group by columns): i. Country
 - ii. StateProvince
 - iii. City
 - c. **New column name** (if necessary, select **Add aggregation** to add additional aggregate columns and operations):
 - i. SumOfTaxAmount with Operation of Sum and Column of TaxAmount
 - ii. SumOfProfit with Operation of Sum and Column of Profit iii.

 SumOfTotalIncludingTax with Operation of Sum and Column of TotalIncludingTax



Select OK.

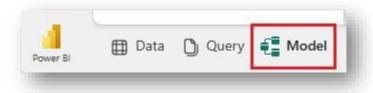
12. Right-click on Visual query 1 in the explorer and select Rename.



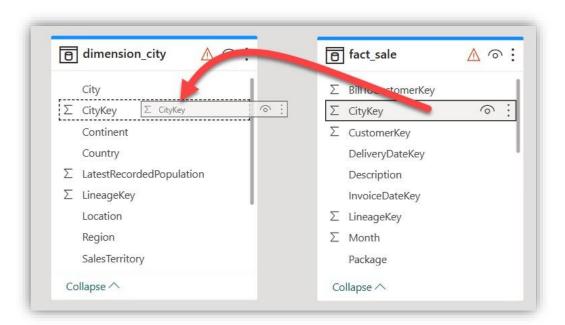
- 13. Type Sales Summary to change the name of the query.
- 14. Press Enter on the keyboard or click off anywhere outside the tab to save the change.

Create a Power BI report

1. Select the **Model** view from the options in the bottom left corner, just outside the canvas.

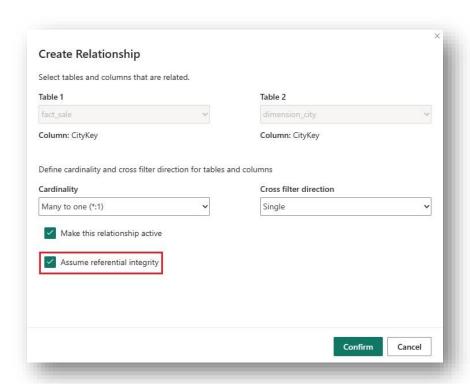


2. From the **fact_sale** table, drag the **CityKey** field and drop it on the **CityKey** field in the **dimension_city** table to create a relationship.



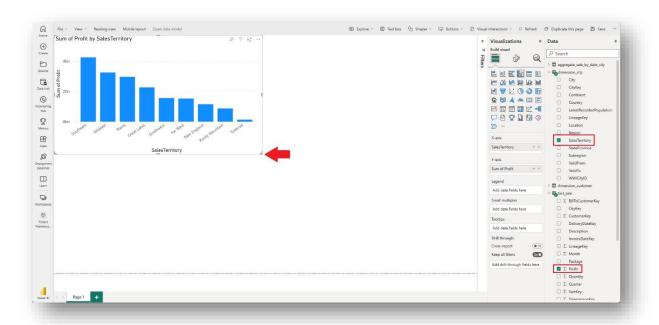
3. On the Create Relationship settings:

- a. Table 1 will be populated with fact_sale and the column of CityKey.
- b. Table 2 will be populated with dimension_city and the column of CityKey.
- c. Cardinality: Many to one (*:1)
- d. Cross filter direction: Single
- e. Leave the box next to Make this relationship active checked.
- f. Check the box next to Assume referential integrity.



Select Confirm.

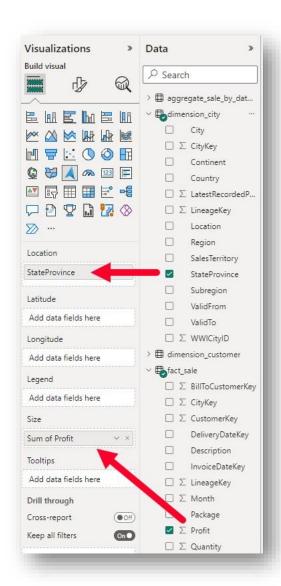
- 4. From the **Home** tab of the ribbon, select **New report**.
- 5. Build a column chart visual:
 - a. On the **Data** pane, expand **fact_sales** and check the box next to **Profit**. This will create a column chart and add the field to the Y-axis.
 - b. On the **Data** pane, expand **dimension_city** and check the box next to **SalesTerritory**. This will add the field to the X-axis.
 - c. Reposition and resize the column chart to take up the top left quarter of the canvas by dragging the anchor points on the corners of the visual.



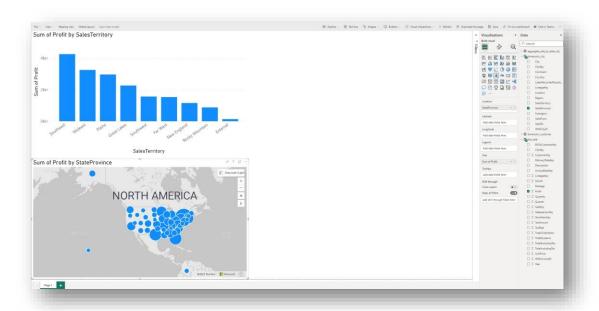
- 6. Click anywhere on the blank canvas (or press the Esc key) so the column chart visual is no longer selected.
- 7. Build a map visual:
 - a. On the **Visualizations** pane, select the **Azure Map for Power BI** visual. **Azure Map** visual needs to be enabled by PowerBI admin



- b. From the **Data** pane, drag **StateProvince** from the **dimension_city** table to the **Location** bucket on the **Visualizations** pane.
- c. From the **Data** pane, drag **Profit** from the **fact_sale** table to the **Size** bucket on the **Visualizations** pane.



d. If necessary, reposition and resize the map to take up the bottom left quarter of the canvas by dragging the anchor points on the corners of the visual.



- 8. Click anywhere on the blank canvas (or press the Esc key) so the map visual is no longer selected.
- 9. Build a table visual:
 - a. On the Visualizations pane, select the Table visual.

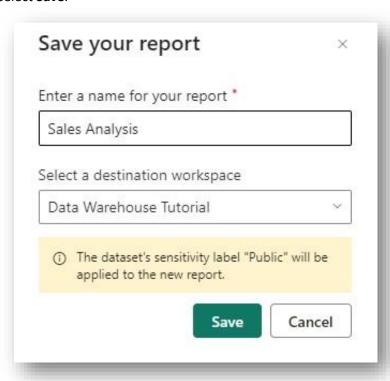


- b. From the **Data** pane, check the box next to **SalesTerritory** on the **dimension_city** table.
- c. From the **Data** pane, check the box next to **StateProvince** on the **dimension_city** table.
- d. From the **Data** pane, check the box next to **Profit** on the **fact_sale** table.
- e. From the **Data** pane, check the box next to **TotalExcludingTax** on the **fact_sale** table.

f. Reposition and resize the column chart to take up the right half of the canvas by dragging the anchor points on the corners of the visual.



- 10. From the ribbon, select File > Save.
- 11. Enter the name of your report as Sales Analysis.
- 12. Select Save.



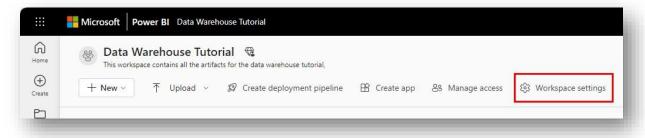
Module 4: Clean up resources

You can delete individual reports, pipelines, warehouses, and other items or remove the entire workspace.

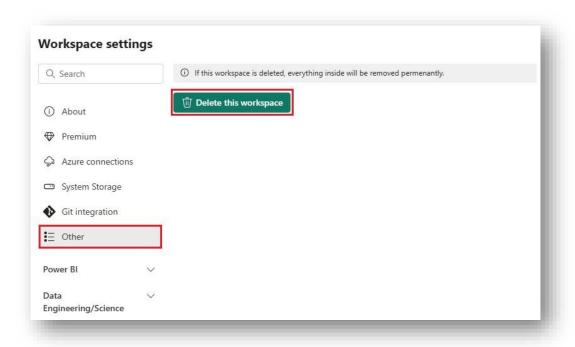
1. Select Data Warehouse Tutorial in the left-hand navigation menu to return to the workspace artifact view.



2. Below the workspace name and description at the top of the workspace header, select **Workspace settings**.



3. Select Other > Delete this workspace.



4. Select **Delete** on the warning.