

PROJECT-1

The background features several flowing, translucent ribbons of color. A prominent red ribbon curves from the bottom left towards the center. Another ribbon, transitioning from orange to yellow to green, flows from the top left. A blue and cyan ribbon flows from the top right towards the bottom right. The ribbons have a soft, ethereal quality with some internal texture visible.

INSTRUCTIONS

- You will be working through the entire business intelligence workflow: **connecting and shaping the source data, building a relational model, adding calculated columns and measures, and designing an interactive report**. I have attached all of the files you need to get started:
- **Universal_Data.png** (*Universal Data logo*)
- **Universal_Data_CSV_Files.zip** (*zipped folder containing the 8 CSV files you'll need to build your report*)
- In case you get stuck, I've also included a completed report ("**Universal_Data_Report_Complete**") for you to reference along the way.

DATA ENGINEERING (SHAPING)

1) Update your Power BI options and settings as follows:

- Deselect the "*Autodetect new relationships after data is loaded*" option in the **Data Load** tab
- Make sure that Locale for import is set to "*English (United States)*" in the **Regional Settings** tab

2) Connect to the **UniversalData_Customers** csv file

- Name the table "**Customers**", and make sure that headers have been promoted
- Confirm that data types are accurate (**Note:** "*customer_id*" should be whole numbers, and both "*customer_acct_num*" and "*customer_postal_code*" should be text)
- Add a new column named "*full_name*" to merge the the "*first_name*" and "*last_name*" columns, separated by a space
- Create a new column named "*birth_year*" to extract the year from the "*birthdate*" column, and format as text
- Create a **conditional column** named "*has_children*" which equals "**N**" if "*total_children*" = 0, otherwise "**Y**"

3) Connect to the **UniversalData_Products** csv file

- Name the table "**Products**" and make sure that headers have been promoted
- Confirm that data types are accurate (**Note:** "*product_id*" should be whole numbers, "*product_sku*" should be text), "*product_retail_price*" and "*product_cost*" should be decimal numbers)
- Use the statistics tools to return the number of distinct product brands, followed by distinct product names
 - **Spot check:** You should see **111** brands and **1,560** product names
- Add a calculated column named "*discount_price*", equal to 90% of the original retail price
 - Format as a fixed decimal number, and then use the rounding tool to round to 2 digits
- Select "*product_brand*" and use the **Group By** option to calculate the average retail price by brand, and name the new column "*Avg Retail Price*"
 - **Spot check:** You should see an average retail price of **\$2.18** for Washington products, and **\$2.21** for Green Ribbon
- Delete the last applied step to return the table to its pre-grouped state
- Replace "*null*" values with zeros in both the "*recyclable*" and "*low-fat*" columns

4) Connect to the **UniversalData_Stores** csv file

- Name the table "**Stores**" and make sure that headers have been promoted
- Confirm that data types are accurate (**Note:** "*store_id*" and "*region_id*" should be whole numbers)
- Add a calculated column named "*full_address*", by merging "*store_city*", "*store_state*", and "*store_country*", separated by a comma and space (**hint:** use a custom separator)
- Add a calculated column named "*area_code*", by extracting the characters before the dash ("-") in the "*store_phone*" field

5) Connect to the **UniversalData_Regions** csv file

- Name the table "**Regions**" and make sure that headers have been promoted
- Confirm that data types are accurate (**Note:** "*region_id*" should be whole numbers)

6) Connect to the **UniversalData_Calendar** csv file

- Name the table "**Calendar**" and make sure that headers have been promoted
- Use the date tools in the query editor to add the following columns:
 - *Start of Week (starting Sunday)*
 - *Name of Day*
 - *Start of Month*
 - *Name of Month*
 - *Quarter of Year*
 - *Year*

7) Connect to the **UniversalData>Returns** csv file

- Name the table "*Return_Data*" and make sure that headers have been promoted
- Confirm that data types are accurate (all ID columns and quantity should be whole numbers)

8) Add a new folder on your desktop (or in your documents) named "**UniversalData_Transactions**", containing both the **UniversalData_Transactions_1997** and **UniversalData_Transactions_1998** csv files

- Connect to the folder path, and choose "Edit" (vs. *Combine and Edit*)
- Click the "*Content*" column header (double arrow icon) to combine the files, then remove the "*Source.Name*" column
- Name the table "**Transaction_Data**", and confirm that headers have been promoted
- Confirm that data types are accurate (all ID columns and *quantity* should be whole numbers)
 - **Spot check:** You should see data from 1/1/1997 through 12/30/1998 in the "*transaction_date*" column
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9) With the exception of the two data tables, disable "*Include in Report Refresh*", then **Close & Apply**

- Confirm that all 7 tables are now accessible within both the **RELATIONSHIPS** view and the **DATA** view

10) Save your .pbix file (i.e. "**UniversalData_Report**")

DATA MODELLING

1) In the **RELATIONSHIPS** view, arrange your tables with the lookup tables above the data tables

- Connect **Transaction_Data** to **Customers**, **Products**, and **Stores** using valid primary/foreign keys
- Connect **Transaction_Data** to **Calendar** using both date fields, with an inactive "*stock_date*" relationship
- Connect **Return_Data** to **Products**, **Calendar**, and **Stores** using valid primary/foreign keys
- Connect **Stores** to **Regions** as a "snowflake" schema

2) Confirm the following:

- All relationships follow **one-to-many** cardinality, with primary keys (1) on the lookup side and foreign keys (*) on the data side
- Filters are all **one-way** (no two-way filters)
- Filter context flows "**downstream**" from lookup tables to data tables
- Data tables are connected via **shared lookup tables** (*not directly to each other*)

3) Hide all **foreign keys** in both data tables from Report View, as well as "region_id" from the **Stores** table

4) In the **DATA** view, complete the following:

- Update *all* date fields (across all tables) to the “**m/d/yyyy**” format using the formatting tools in the **Modeling** tab
- Update "*product_retail_price*", "*product_cost*", and "*discount_price*" to **Currency (\$ English)** format
- In the **Customers** table, categorize "*customer_city*" as **City**, "*customer_postal_code*" as **Postal Code**, and "*customer_country*" as **Country/Region**
- In the **Stores** table, categorize "*store_city*" as **City**, "*store_state*" as **State or Province**, "*store_country*" as **Country/Region**, and "*full_address*" as **Address**

5) Save your .pbix file

DAX MEASURES

1) In the **DATA** view, add the following **calculated columns**:

- In the **Calendar** table, or Sundays (otherwise add a column named "**Weekend**"
 - Equals "**Y**" for Saturdays "**N**")
- In the **Calendar** table, add a column named "**End of Month**"
 - Returns the last date of the current month for each row
- In the **Customers** table, add a column named "**Current Age**"
 - Calculates current customer ages using the "**birthdate**" column and the TODAY() function
- In the **Customers** table, add a column named "**Priority**"
 - Equals "**High**" for customers who own homes and have Golden membership cards (otherwise "**Standard**")
- In the **Customers** table, add a column named "**Short Country**"
 - Returns the first three characters of the customer country, and converts to all uppercase
- In the **Customers** table, add a column named "**House Number**"
 - Extracts all characters/numbers before the first space in the "**customer_address**" column (*hint: use SEARCH*)
- In the **Products** table, add a column named "**Price Tier**"
 - Equals "**High**" if the retail price is >\$3, "**Mid**" if the retail price is >\$1, and "**Low**" otherwise
- In the **Stores** table, add a column named "**Years_Since_Remodel**"
 - Calculates the number of years between the current date (TODAY()) and the last remodel date


2) In the **REPORT** view, add the following **measures** (Assign to tables as you see fit, and use a matrix to match the "**spot check**" values)

- Create new measures named "**Quantity Sold**" and "**Quantity Returned**" to calculate the sum of quantity from each data table
 - **Spot check:** You should see total Quantity Sold = 833,489 and total Quantity Returned = 8,289
- Create new measures named "**Total Transactions**" and "**Total Returns**" to calculate the count of rows from each data table
 - **Spot check:** You should see 269,720 transactions and 7,087 returns
- Create a new measure named "**Return Rate**" to calculate the ratio of quantity returned to quantity sold (format as %)
 - **Spot check:** You should see an overall return rate of 0.99%
- Create a new measure named "**Weekend Transactions**" to calculate transactions on weekends
 - **Spot check:** You should see 76,608 total weekend transactions
- Create a new measure named "% **Weekend Transactions**" to calculate weekend transactions as a percentage of total transactions (format as %)
 - **Spot check:** You should see 28.4% weekend transactions
- Create new measures named "**All Transactions**" and "**All Returns**" to calculate grand total transactions and returns (regardless of filter context)
 - **Spot check:** You should see 269,720 transactions and 7,087 returns across all rows (test with product_brand on rows)
- Create a new measure to calculate "**Total Revenue**" based on transaction quantity and product retail price, and format as \$ (*hint: you'll need an iterator*)
 - **Spot check:** You should see a total revenue of \$1,764,546

- Create a new measure to calculate "**Total Cost**" based on transaction quantity and product cost, and format as \$ (*hint: you'll need an iterator*)
 - **Spot check:** You should see a total cost of **\$711,728**
- Create a new measure named "**Total Profit**" to calculate total revenue minus total cost, and format as \$
 - **Spot check:** You should see a total profit of **\$1,052,819**
- Create a new measure to calculate "**Profit Margin**" by dividing total profit by total revenue calculate total revenue (format as %)
 - **Spot check:** You should see an overall profit margin of **59.67%**
- Create a new measure named "**Unique Products**" to calculate the number of unique product names in the **Products** table
 - **Spot check:** You should see **1,560** unique products
- Create a new measure named "**YTD Revenue**" to calculate year-to-date total revenue, and format as \$
 - **Spot check:** Create a matrix with "**Start of Month**" on rows; you should see **\$872,924** in YTD Revenue in September 1998
- Create a new measure named "**60-Day Revenue**" to calculate a running revenue total over a 60-day period, and format as \$
 - **Spot check:** Create a matrix with "**date**" on rows; you should see **\$97,570** in 60-Day Revenue on 4/14/1997
- Create new measures named "**Last Month Transactions**", "**Last Month Revenue**", "**Last Month Profit**", and "**Last Month Returns**"
 - **Spot check:** Create a matrix with "**Start of Month**" on rows to confirm accuracy
- Create a new measure named "**Revenue Target**" based on a 5% lift over the previous month revenue, and format as \$
 - **Spot check:** You should see a Revenue Target of **\$99,223** in March 1998

BUILDING THE REPORT

- 1) Rename the tab "**Topline Performance**" and insert the universal data logo
- 2) Insert a **Matrix** visual to show **Total Transactions**, **Total Profit**, **Profit Margin**, and **Return Rate** by **Product_Brand** (*on rows*)
 - Add conditional formatting to show **data bars** on the Total Transactions column, and **color scales** on Profit Margin (*White to Green*) and Return Rate (*White to Red*)
 - Add a visual level **Top N** filter to only show the top 30 product brands, then sort descending by Total Transactions
- 3) Add a **KPI Card** to show **Total Transactions**, with **Start of Month** as the trend axis and **Last Month Transactions** as the target goal
 - Update the title to "**Current Month Transactions**", and format as you see fit
 - Create two more copies: one for **Total Profit** (*vs. Last month Profit*) and one for **Total Returns** (*vs. Last Month Returns*)
 - Make sure to update titles, and change the Returns chart to color coding to "*Low is Good*"
- 4) Add a **Map** visual to show **Total Transactions** by store city
 - Add a slicer for store country
 - Under the "selection controls" menu in the formatting pane, activate the "**Show Select All**" option
 - **Pro Tip:** Change the orientation in the "General" formatting menu to **horizontal** and resize to create a *vertical* stack (rather than a list)



5) Next to the map, add a **Treemap** visual to break down **Total Transactions** by store country

- Pull in **store_state** and **store_city** beneath **store_country** in the "Group" field to enable drill-up and drill-down functionality

6) Beneath the map, add a **Column Chart** to show **Total Revenue** by week, and format as you see fit

- Add a **report level filter** to only show data for 1998
- Update the title to "***Weekly Revenue Trending***"

7) In the lower right, add a **Gauge Chart** to show **Total Revenue** against **Revenue Target** (*as either "target value" or "maximum value"*)

- Add a visual level **Top N** filter to show the latest **Start of Month**
- Remove data labels, and update the title to "***Revenue vs. Target***"

8) Select the Matrix and activate the **Edit interactions** option to prevent the Treemap from filtering

- 9) Select "USA" in the country slicer, and drill down to select "Portland" in the Treemap
 - Add a new bookmark named "**Portland 1000 Sales**"
 - Add a new report page, named "**Notes**"
 - Insert a text box and write something along the lines of "**Portland hits 1,000 sales in December**"
 - Add a button (your choice) and use the "**Action**" properties to link it to the bookmark you created
 - Test the bookmark by CTRL-clicking the button
 - Find 2-3 additional insights from the Topline Performance tab and add new bookmarks and notes linking back

- 10) Get creative! Practice creating new visuals, pages, or bookmarks to continue exploring the data!

