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Foundations: Data, Data, Everywhere

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All about analytical thinking



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Data analysts balance many different roles in their work. In this part of the course, you'll learn about some of these roles and the key skills used by analysts. You'll also explore analytical thinking and how it relates to data-driven decision-making.

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Learning Objectives

- Explain the concept of data-driven decision-making including specific examples
- · Describe the key characteristics of analytical thinking
- $\bullet \ \ \, \text{Conduct an analytical thinking self assessment, giving specific examples of the application of analytical thinking} \\$
- Demonstrate an understanding of the five key analytical skills used by data analysts
- Explain how analytical thinking enables decision-making
- · Begin asking more effective questions

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Embrace your data analyst skills

▶ Video: Discovering data skill sets 46 sec

Resume

- ▶ Video: Key data analyst skills 6 min
- Practice Quiz: Get a read on your analytical skills 10 questions
- Reading: Learning Log: Explore data from your daily life 20 min
- (f) Test your knowledge on data analyst skills 10 min

Thinking about analytical thinking

- ▶ Video: All about thinking analytically 5 min
- **▶ Video:** Exploring core analytical skills 4 min
- Reading: Learning Log: Reflect on your skills and expectations 20 min
- Practice Quiz: Test your knowledge on analytical thinking 4 questions

Thinking about outcomes

- ▶ Video: Using data to drive successful outcomes 4 min
- ▶ Video: Real-world data magic 5 min
- Discussion Prompt: More about you 10 min
- Practice Quiz: Test your knowledge on outcomes 3 questions

Weekly challenge 2 © Reading: Glossary: Terms and definitions 5 min © Quiz: *Weekly challenge 2* 8 questions Due Jul 19, 1:59 AM CDT

