

BI Web Parts

Time-Critical Knowledge

The pace of business is accelerating. To keep up, your organization must move faster and faster, reducing reaction times. You can't afford to miss an opportunity or delay a necessary course adjustment. That means that everyone in your enterprise who impacts results must know how the business is performing on a daily basis. "After the fact" and "We'll get it right next time" won't cut it. People who can make a difference need to know now. And critical metrics can't get lost in the information morass or require special expertise to uncover trends.



Create subject-specific and role-specific dashboards in a snap with the Web Part Wizard.

Business Performance Dashboards Made Easy

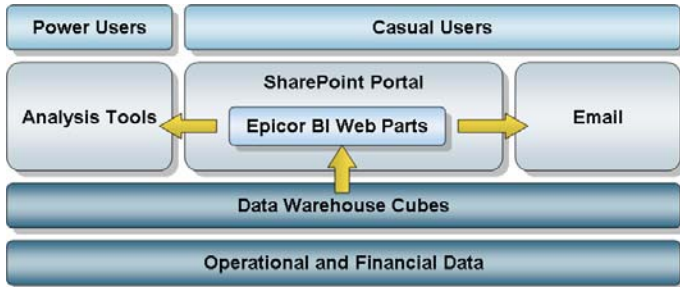
Epicor BI Web Parts solves these problems in a revolutionary way by marrying the power and simplicity of Microsoft® Windows® SharePoint® Services with bite-sized charts and graphs. Both casual users and power users can create SharePoint pages containing multiple BI Web Parts that tell a complete performance story for a particular part of the business.

The BI Web Part Wizard walks a user through the steps of creating a useful chart, graph, gauge, or list. Placing a view on a page is as simple as dragging and dropping from the gallery to the portal page. Each Web Part or complete pages of Web Parts can be exported and imported to accelerate propagation and maintain consistency.

In most cases, there will be several Web Parts on a page that have common filters. For example, sales, returns, profit, and call center activity might all share filters for geography, product line, customer, and time. When a filter selection changes, all the related views are refreshed. This way, a manager can take a quick virtual tour of his or her areas of responsibility. We call it "the 30-second performance review."

BENEFITS

- Faster distribution of performance metrics
- Complete flexibility over placement within a portal
- Reduced dependency on IT resources
- Brings key metrics front and forward
- Facilitates better and faster decisions
- Promotes collaboration among decision makers
- Saves time with complete, subject-specific dashboards
- Fosters a culture of performance-driven awareness and action
- Minimizes training time with a familiar SharePoint interface
- Increases productivity and organizational focus
- Increases the value of enterprise data



In-context links to OLAP viewers and email make further analysis and collaboration just a click away.

In-Context Links to Deeper Analysis

When a particular trend or exception warrants more in-depth analysis, it's only a click away. Each BI Web Part provides a link to analysis tools that takes the user and the exact view over to the analysis tool. Without losing a beat, decision makers can continue discovering relationships and root causes by drilling through the data.

Accelerating Action in a Collaborative Culture

By using your intranet portal as the first place to find performance information, stakeholders throughout the company will become accustomed to seeing metrics and discussing them with others. With 24/7 availability of critical business metrics around the globe, decision making is more timely and performance focused. BI Web Parts can also be emailed right from the portal along with comments to initiate further review or action. The result is a culture where performance is monitored, shared and expected. No excuses. No surprises.

Making the Most of Your Data

Your business applications collect a wealth of information about the health of your business. But data locked in a database is of little value to decision makers. BI Web Parts brings that data to the surface with a "heads up" display of easily understood charts, graphs, gauges and lists. And because the displays are small and portable, you can put each one where it makes the most sense in your SharePoint portal. They are colorful, simple, and hard to miss. Within seconds, decision makers know how performance is trending and can immediately take action or perform more in-depth analysis.

Web Parts

- TREND - Presents a measure over time with comparative color coding
- Z GRAPH - Presents measures over time, year-to-date and rolling 12 periods for two comparative measures
- CHART - Shows measures in different graph formats, including column, line, column/line, pie, gauge, stacked column and stacked area
- TABLE - Shows measures in a table form
- FILTER SELECTOR - Provides filters that can drive one or more connected Web Parts

Wizards

- Web Part Wizard - For creating and modifying BI Web Parts
- Analysis Wizard - For creating new analysis views



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