



FACTS Data Sheet: Pro Business Intelligence

With Pro Business Intelligence you can better understand your operations and make more informed business decisions.

The Pro Business Intelligence solution takes data collected and stored in FACTS and turns it into meaningful information that you can use in your day-to-day activities. With information in accessible reports and analysis, you can make better and more timely business decisions. It gives you the means to understand the "why" behind your business performance.

Pro BI delivers an affordable and fully integrated set of business intelligence capabilities to both FACTS and TakeStock users. With Pro BI, you can perform your own multidimensional analysis, create reports and easily share the results to make better decisions. Novice to advanced users across your company can explore large volumes of summarized data in seconds.

Pro BI draws information from your system database to model and build PowerCubes ("Cubes"). Cubes are optimized data sets that enable users to perform analysis with quick response times. These Cubes can help you analyze multiple aspects of your business—to see how sales might change over time; how often inventory turns; how suppliers have performed ... just to name a few cubes available:

- > Accounts Receivable History
- > General Ledger Details
- > Open Accounts Receivable
- > Sales Analysis
- > Inventory Turns
- > Customer Returns
- > Open Accounts Payable
- > Purchase Order History
- > Sales Order Booking
- > New Customer Accounts

➔ A PARTNER SOLUTION ...

Developed by Earnest & Associates, an Authorized Infor Solution Partner, BI is certified by Infor as a leading solution for FACTS. By selectively creating alliances with partners that maintain the same the same rigorous quality standards for programming, design and functionality, Infor provides our customers with an expanded and enhanced FACTS solution.

Easy-to-Use Analysis

The Cubes allow users to engage in multidimensional analysis of their FACTS data by using point-and-click and drag-and-drop functionality and create dynamic, interactive reports. Three simple but powerful capabilities allow users to analyze information from any point of view:

- Drill down: Gain fast answers to critical business questions by easily moving from one level of information to the next.
- Slice-and-dice: Interactively explore data in any combination, from every conceivable angle.
- Graphical analysis: Choose from a wide range of graphical displays, making it easier to spot trends and understand the key factors driving the business.

Data Exploration Features

- Ranking, sorting, and filtering: Quickly rank or sort data to determine your top-to-bottom, best-to-worst performers. The 80/20 filter automatically groups all categories that amount to less than 20% of a row total or column into an "Other" category.
- Drill through: Drill through to other related reports and Cubes easily by clicking a link.
- Projections: Forecast trends by extending current time-based data forward a number of designated periods.
- Exception highlighting: Automatic exception highlighting clearly shows values in a report that are above or below a value range.
- Scenario Dimensions: Explore alternative scenarios, such as Actual, Plan and Forecast, using scenario dimensions.
- Find: Search for specific categories within Cubes and reports.
- Subsets: Create the logical groupings of information that you require, like "Top Products", based on criteria such as pattern matches and value thresholds.
- Nested cross-tabs and charts: Easily nest rows and columns both within and across multiple dimensions.
- Flexible, Time Series Analysis: Compare period over period results and growth, for any period.
- Excel Output. Output the results of any report in formatted Excel format.

Visualizations Help Simplify Complex Data

The BI solution uses sophisticated visual reports ("visualizations") to communicate complex business data quickly and intuitively. BI displays measures from multiple Cubes simultaneously in an executive dashboard format using easy-to-read charts and graphs. When people view several reports at once, they can see how information correlates and make better decisions. Dashboard views, instant-impact visuals, aggregate displays, interactive exploration, flexible chart types allow for fully customizable displays with many options for style, color and layout.

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