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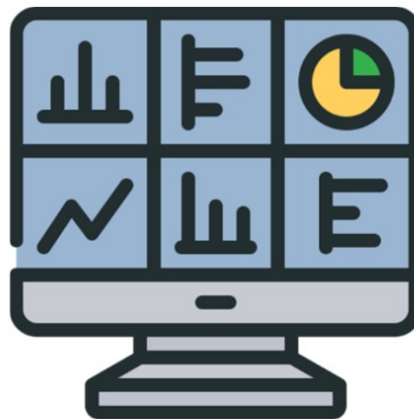
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Enhancing User Experiences With Advanced Reporting Features

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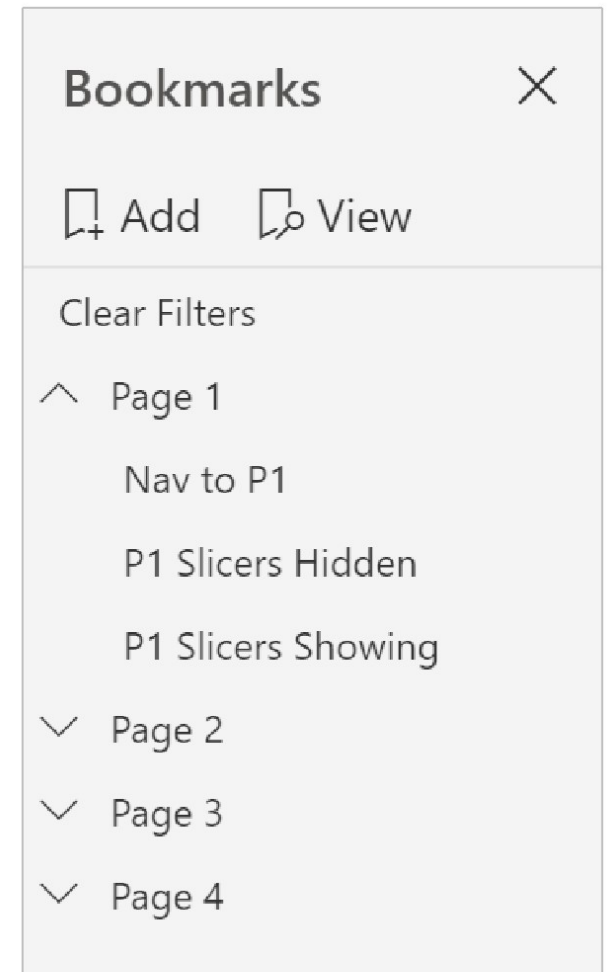
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Understanding Bookmarks

Bookmarks Introduction

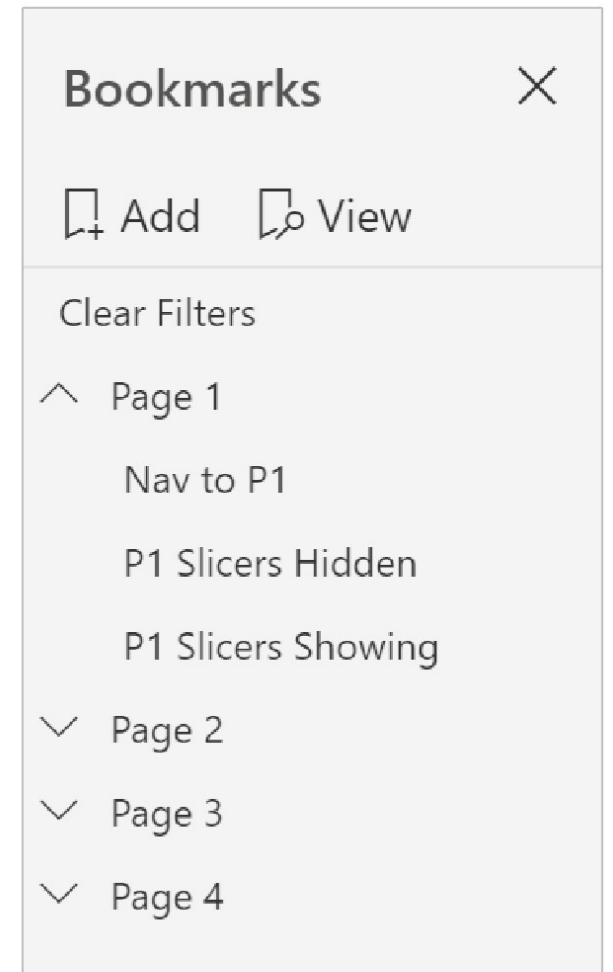
- **Bookmarks** capture the currently *configured view* of a report page at *design-time*
- **Common uses include:**
 - Map *multiple filter selections* for quick navigation
 - Dynamically *change* page visuals and objects
 - *Assign* bookmarks to *buttons* and/or *images*
- Report users can open the Bookmarks pane at *view-time*



Understanding Bookmarks

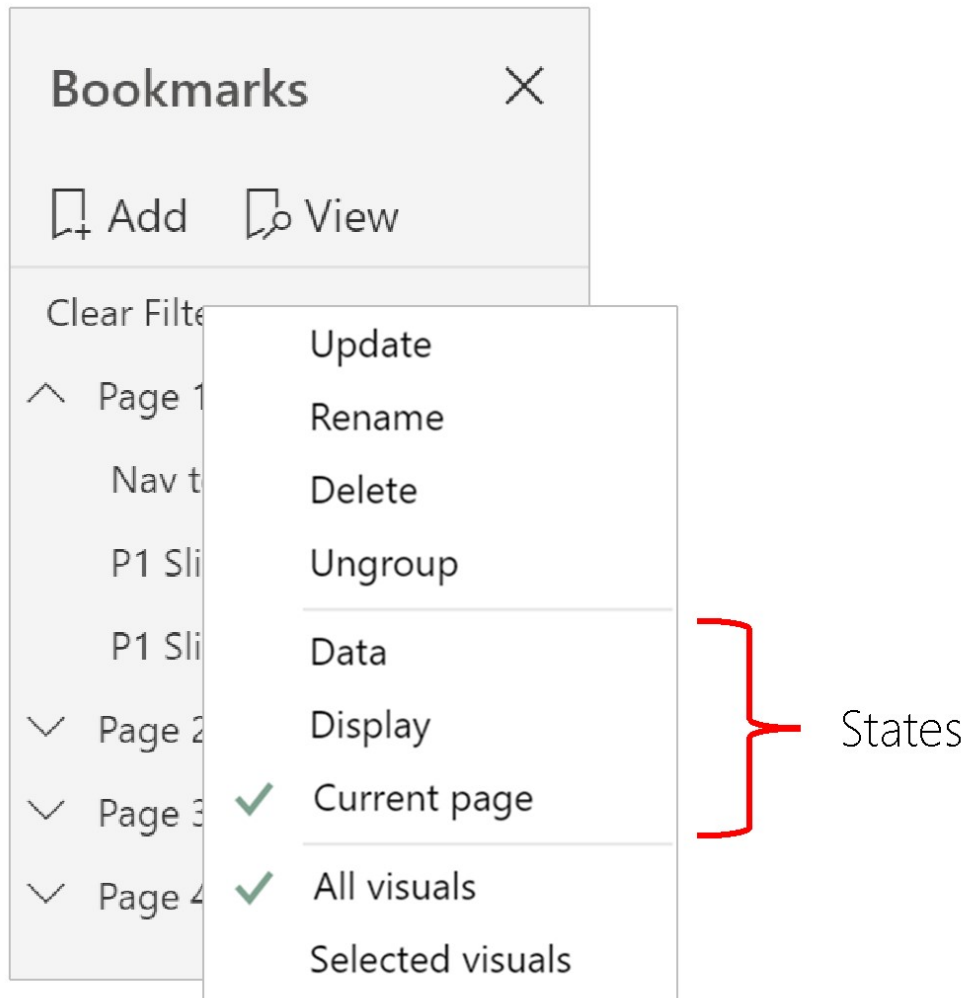
Bookmarks ► Capture States

- **Bookmarks save the following elements:**
 - Current page
 - Filters
 - Slicers (including *slicer type*)
 - Visual selection state (*cross-highlight* and *cross-filter*)
 - Sort order
 - Drill location
 - Object visibility (observed in the Selections pane)
 - Spotlight applied to an object
 - Focus applied to an object



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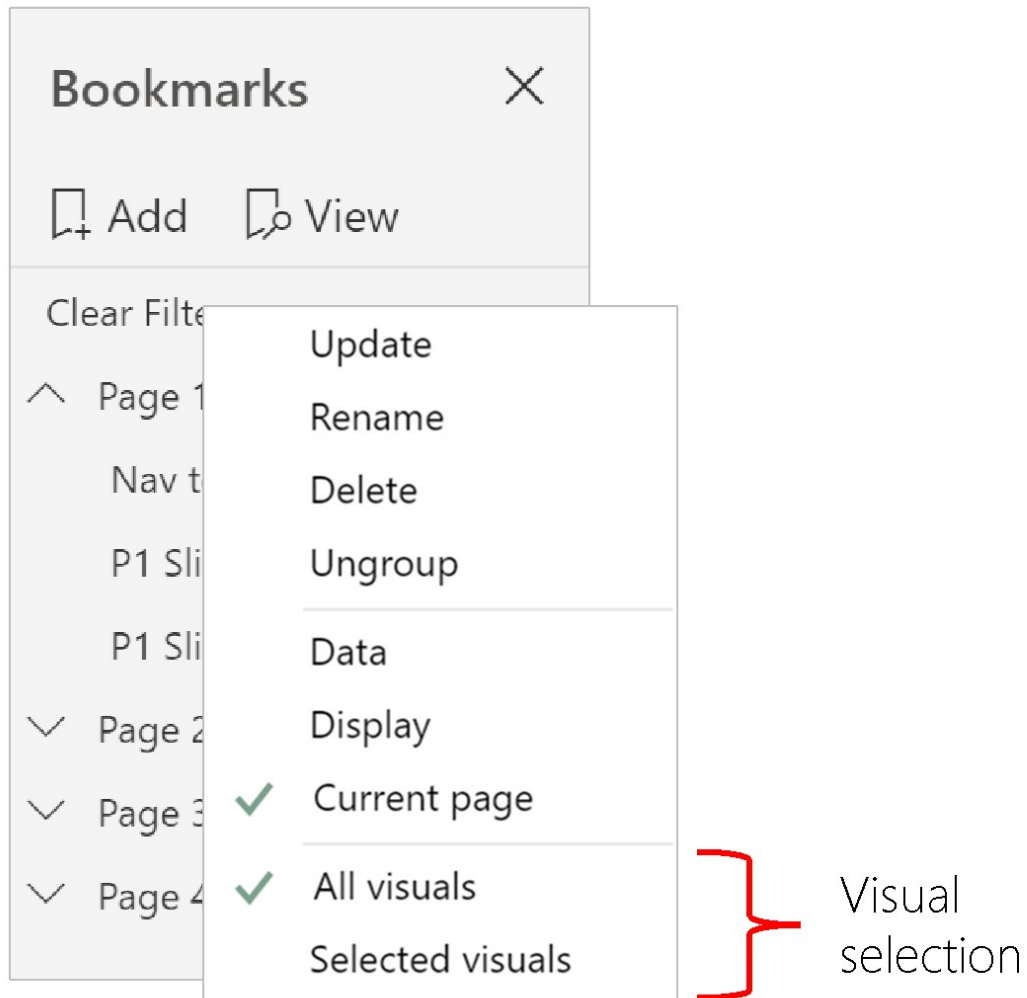
Bookmarks ► Settings



- State capture can *include/exclude*:
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 - **Display**: Visibility, spotlight, focus
 - **Current page**: Current page

Understanding Bookmarks

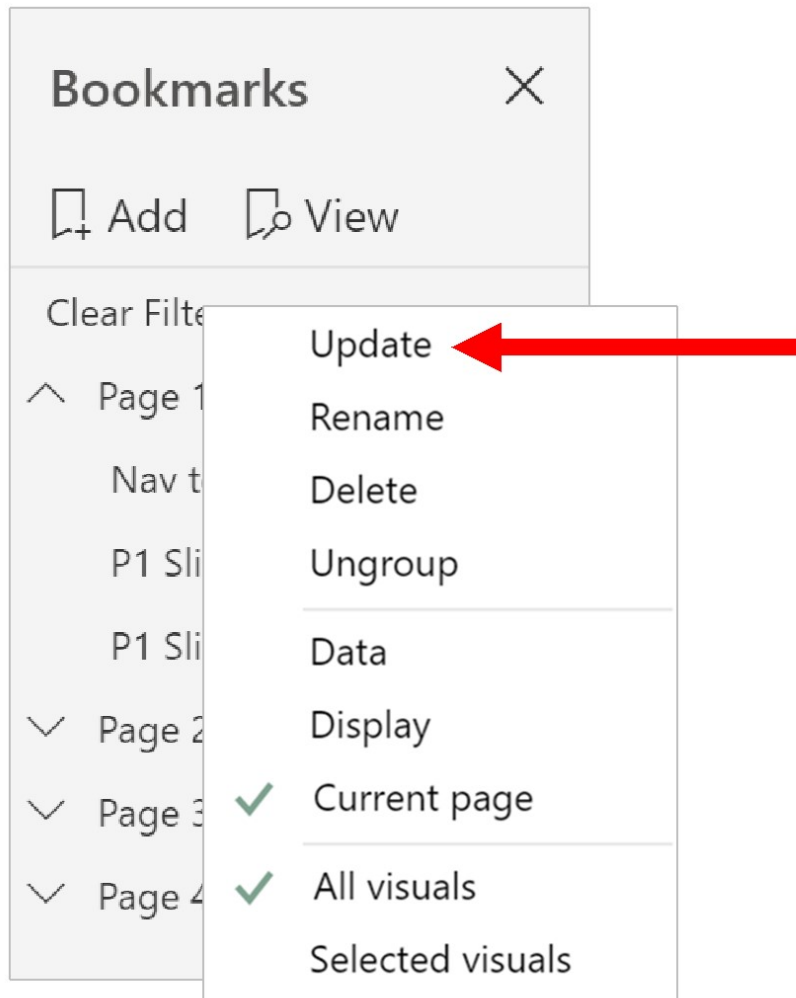
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- State capture can apply to:
 - All visuals
 - Selected visuals

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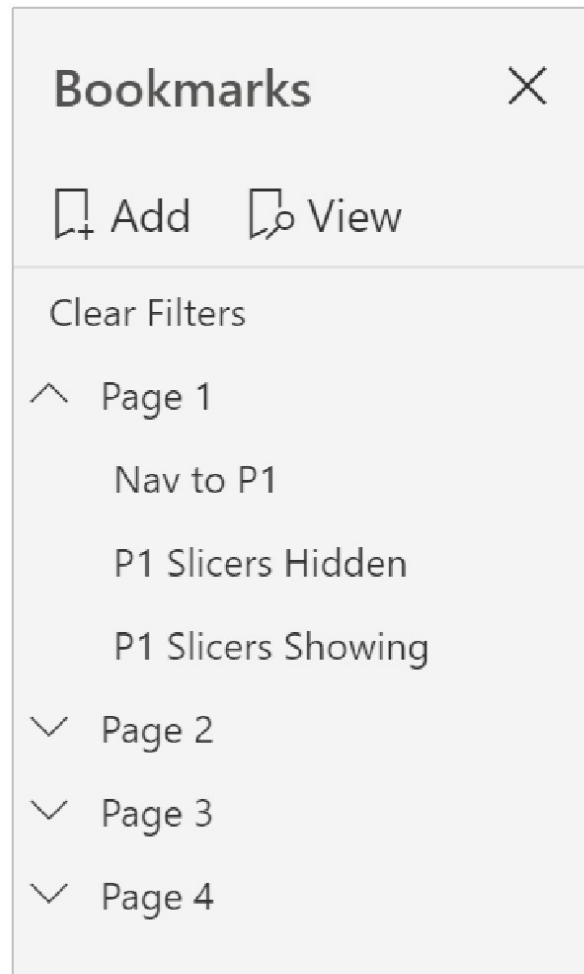
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Bookmarks ► Settings



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 - All visuals
 - Selected visuals
- Select **Update** to re-capture state
- Bookmarks can also be organized by named **Groups**

Understanding Bookmarks

Bookmarks ► Selection Pane

- The **Selection** pane is a list all objects on a report page – configurations include:
 - *Order* of objects
 - *Visibility* of objects
- **Common uses include:**
 - Order visuals so *visual headers* and other *visual pop-ups* don't display behind other visuals
 - Toggle *object visibility* to use with bookmarks
- Report users can open the pane at *view-time*

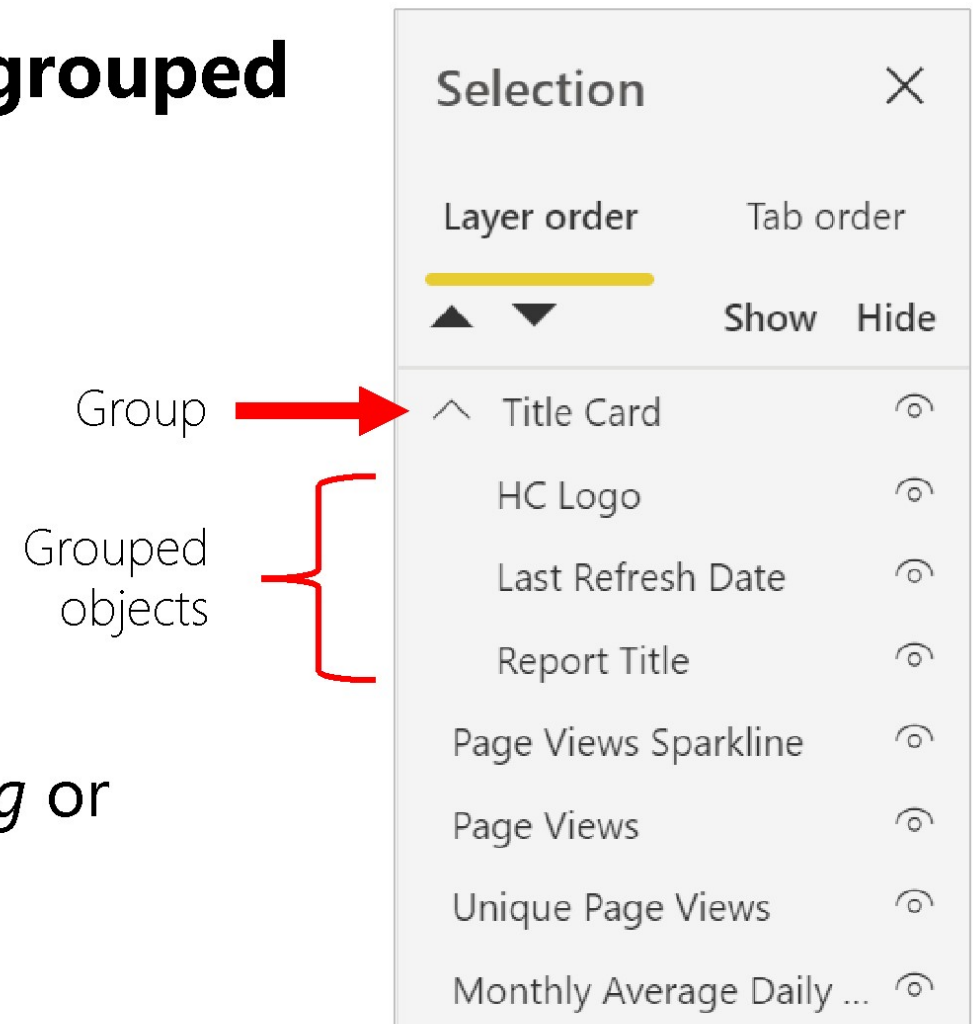
It is a recommended practice to give each object a *unique name*

Selection		X
Layer order	Tab order	
▲ ▼	Show Hide	
Visible →	HC Logo	👁
	Last Refresh Date	👁
	Report Title	👁
	Page Views Sparkline	👁
	Page Views	👁
	Unique Page Views	👁
Hidden →	Monthly Average Daily ...	👁
	Unique Page Views Spa...	👁

Understanding Bookmarks

Bookmarks ► Selection Pane ► Groups

- Objects in the selection pane can also be **grouped**
- **Grouped objects:**
 - Behave similarly to groups in other *Microsoft Office* tools (e.g. PowerPoint)
 - Can be *moved together* as a single unit
 - Have *background color* and *transparency* settings
- **Common uses:**
 - Group similar objects together for easier *moving* or *copying-and-pasting*
 - *Organizing* the selection pane





Demonstration

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Understanding Bookmarks

- Exercise 1 – Utilizing the Data Capture State
- Exercise 2 – Utilizing the Display Capture State
- Exercise 3 – Discussing the Current Page Capture State



Questions?



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Configuring and Formatting Buttons

Button Introduction

- **Buttons** add functionality to reports that behave *similar to apps* – allowing users to *hover, click, interact* with objects
- *Four button states* can be individually formatted to create a *rich user experience*:
 - **Idle** – State when *inactive*
 - **Hover** – State during *mouse hover*
 - **Selected** – State during *mouse click*
 - **Disabled** – State for *page or drillthrough navigation*
- **Assignable actions include:**
 - Back¹
 - Web URL
 - Bookmark
 - Page navigation
 - Q&A
 - Drillthrough navigation

1: Navigates back to the previous report page



Buttons

←	Left arrow
→	Right arrow
↶	Reset
⬅	Back
i	Information
?	Help
💬	Q&A
🔖	Bookmark
	Blank



Demonstration

One

Configuring and Formatting Buttons

- Exercise 1 – Creating Interactive Buttons
- Exercise 2 – Assigning Page Navigation Actions
- Exercise 3 – Assigning Drillthrough Navigation Actions
- Exercise 4 – Applying Images to Buttons



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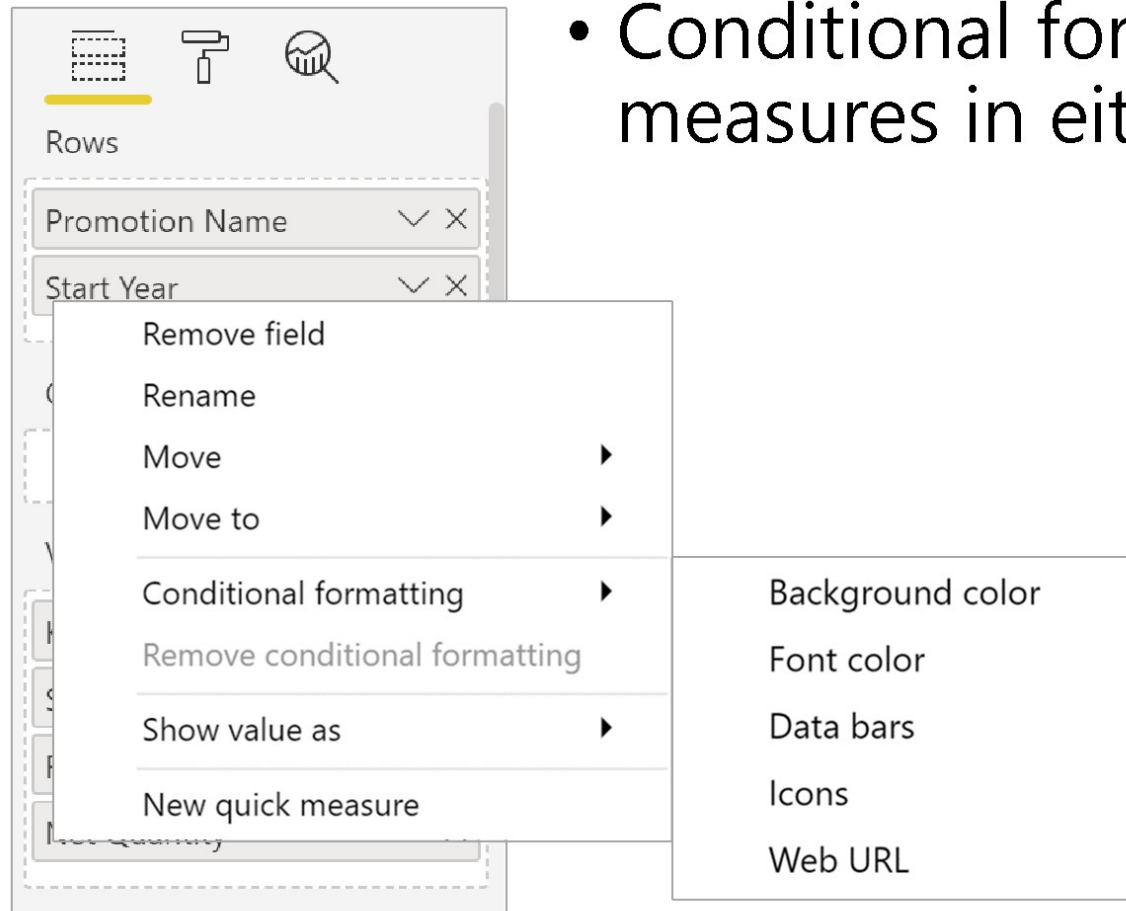
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Conditional Formatting

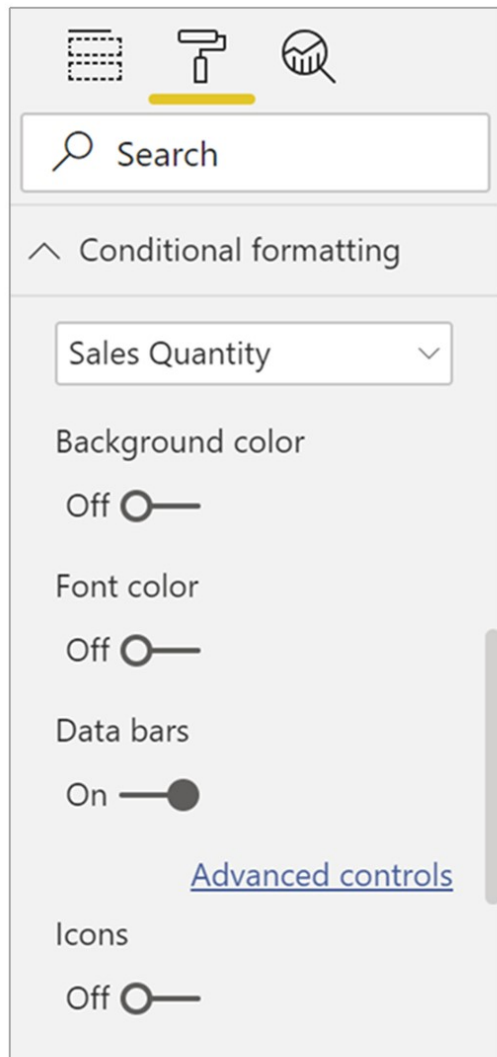
- Conditional formatting can be applied to calculated measures in either the *table* or *matrix* visuals



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Conditional Formatting



- Conditional formatting can be applied to calculated measures in either the *table* or *matrix* visuals
- Settings can be accessed:
 - In the **Fields** well of the **Visualizations** pane¹
 - From the sub-menu under the Formatting pane

Applying Measure Based Formatting

Conditional Formatting ► Background and Font Colors

- **Background** and **font color** share the same *format by* settings
- Formatting logic can be based on:
 - **Color scale**
 - Applies a gradient between *min* and *max*
 - Min/Max can be set to *lowest value* or *fixed absolute value*
 - *Diverging* enables a third middle color

Background color - Sales

Format by: Color scale (dropdown) Apply to: Values only (dropdown)

Based on field: Sales (dropdown)

Default formatting: As zero (dropdown)

Minimum: Lowest value (dropdown) [Red swatch] Enter a value (input)

Maximum: Highest value (dropdown) [Green swatch] Enter a value (input)

Diverging

Learn more (link) OK Cancel

Applying Measure Based Formatting

Conditional Formatting ► Background and Font Colors

- **Background** and **font color** share the same *format by* settings
- Formatting logic can be based on:
 - **Rules**
 - Applies colors based on one or more value ranges, each with a set color
 - Each value range starts with:
 - An **If** value condition
 - An **and** value condition
 - And a **color**

Font color - Sales

Format by: Rules Apply to: Values only

Based on field: Sales

Rules

Condition	Value	Unit	Operator	Value	Unit	Color	
If value is greater than or equal to	0	Percent	and	is less than	33	Percent	then Red
If value is greater than or equal to	33	Percent	and	is less than	66	Percent	then Yellow
If value is greater than or equal to	66	Percent	and	is less than	100	Percent	then Green

Learn more OK Cancel

Applying Measure Based Formatting

Conditional Formatting ► Background and Font Colors

- **Background** and **font color** share the same *format by* settings
- Formatting logic can be based on:
 - **Field value**
 - Applies colors by using a *calculated measure* or a *column* that specifies a color – either using a *text value* or a *hex code*
 - Custom logic can be created inside a calculated measure to apply the desired color

Font color - Sales

Format by: Field value

Apply to: Values only

Based on field: Top Selling Product

[Learn more](#) OK Cancel

Field value formatting will be outside the scope of this presentation

Applying Measure Based Formatting

Conditional Formatting ► Data Bars

- **Data bars** can be set to *lowest value* or *fixed absolute value*
- **Other data Bar properties:**
 - Positive/negative bar (*color*)
 - Axis (*color*)
 - Bar direction
 - Show bar only – *hides the value*

Data bars

Format cells with bars based on their values.

Base value
Sales Quantity

Show bar only

Minimum: Lowest value
Maximum: Highest value

(Lowest value) (Highest value)

Positive bar: [Teal color]
Negative bar: [Red color]

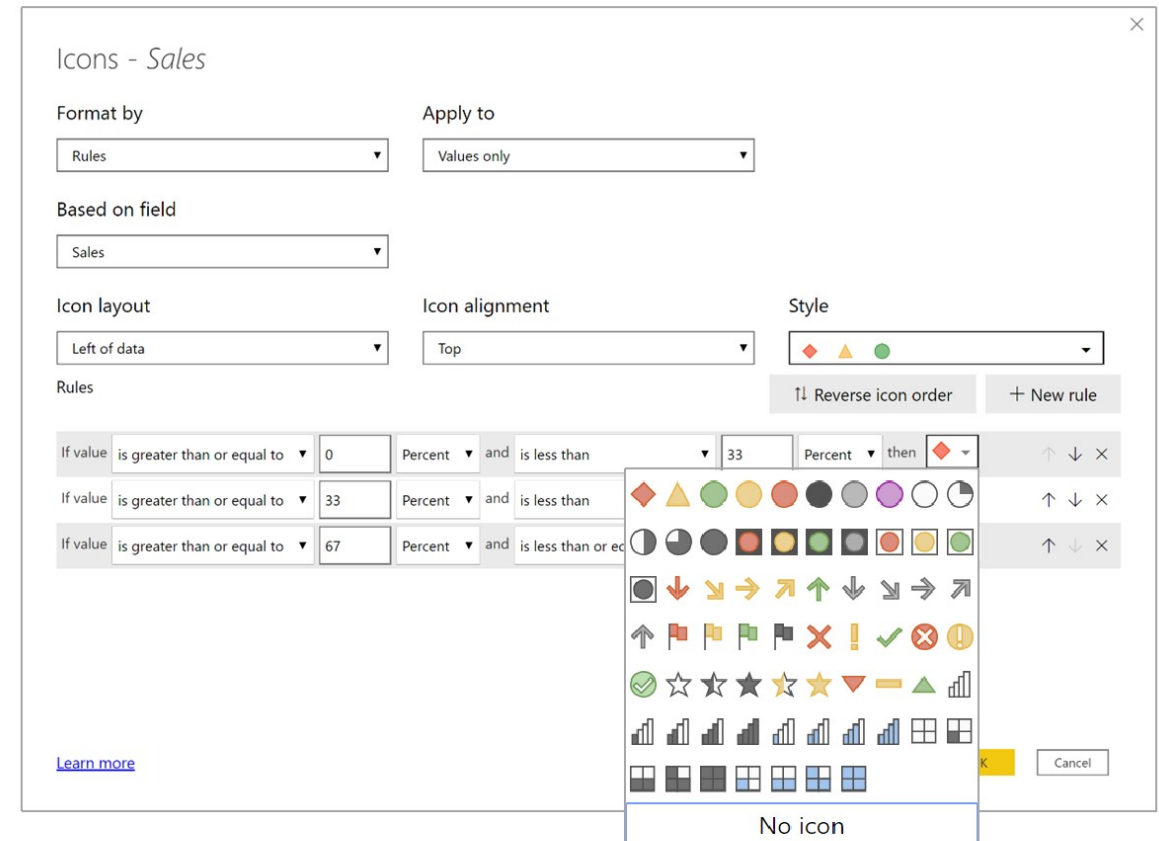
Bar direction: Left to right
Axis: [Black color]

OK Cancel

Applying Measure Based Formatting

Conditional Formatting ► Icons

- **Icon sets** in Power BI are *very similar* to the ones found in *Excel*
- Formatting logic can be based on **Rules** or **Field Value**
- By default, icon rules will apply:
 - Red diamond to the *lower 33%*
 - Yellow triangle to the *middle 33%*
 - Green circle to the *upper 33%*
- *Custom* icon sets can be imported in Power BI Desktop



Applying Measure Based Formatting

Conditional Formatting ► Web URL

- **Web URLs** can be applied to fields as **active links** if there is a *column* or *measure* that contains a website URL
- Formatting logic is based on **Field value**
- When this formatting is applied to a field – *each row* is an active link to a website

Web URL - Sales

Format by: Field value

Apply to: Values only

Based on field: Selected Page

Sales Details

Country	Sales	YoY Sales	YoY Sales %	Top Selling Product
United States	\$21,814,465	\$5,470,851	33%	A. Datum Slim Di...
Regular	\$11,932,740	\$2,911,538	↓ 32%	NT Wireless Transm...
Deluxe	\$7,598,807	\$1,981,601	↓ 35%	A. Datum Super-zo...
Economy	\$2,282,918	\$577,712	↓ 34%	A. Datum Slim Digit...
Canada	\$5,313,337	\$1,196,486	29%	Contoso Wireless ...
Regular	\$2,985,745	\$700,125	↓ 31%	A. Datum Bridge Di...
Deluxe	\$1,710,997	\$358,646	↓ 27%	Contoso Wireless N...

Applying Measure Based Formatting

Conditional Formatting ► Subtotals and Totals

- Conditional formatting can also be applied to the *subtotals* and *totals* in *matrix tables*
- **Thresholds** and **ranges** must be set manually when applied¹

Font color - Sales

Format by: Rules

Apply to: Values and totals

Based on field: Sales

Rules

1! Reverse color order + New rule

If value is greater than or equal to 0 and is less than 500, then [Red] color

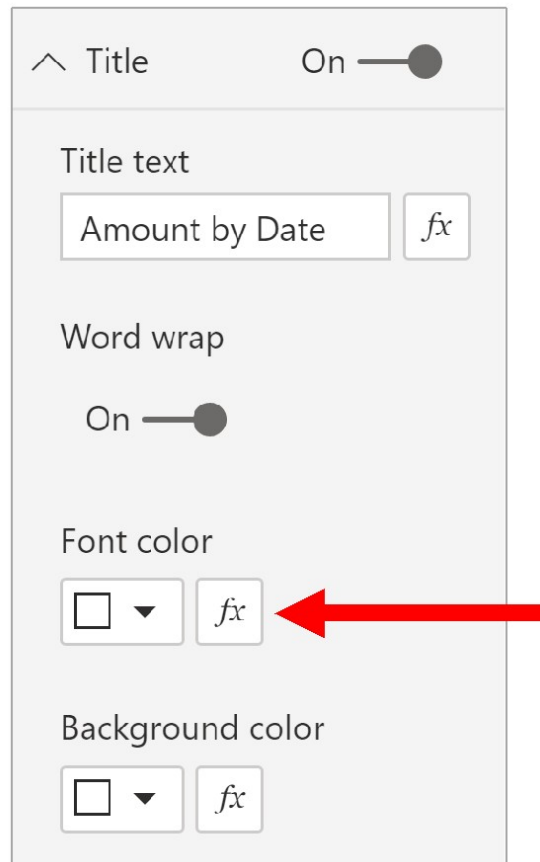
If value is greater than or equal to 500 and is less than 5000, then [Yellow] color

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1: Only numbers be applied – not percentages

Applying Measure Based Formatting

Conditional Formatting ► Other Applications



- **Measure Based Formatting** can also be applied to other visual and object **attributes**
 - Attributes where this formatting can be applied are *indicated* with an *fx* button next to it
- Two *primary types* of formatting are available:
 - **Color** – Logic is based on: *Color scale, Rules, or Field value*
 - **Text** – Logic is based on: *Field value*¹

1: Creates a dynamic text string that can be changed during refresh or filter selection



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Applying Measure Based Formatting

- Exercise 1 – Applying Background/Font Color Formatting
- Exercise 2 – Applying Data Bar Formatting
- Exercise 3 – Applying Web URL Formatting
- Exercise 4 – Understanding Other Applications



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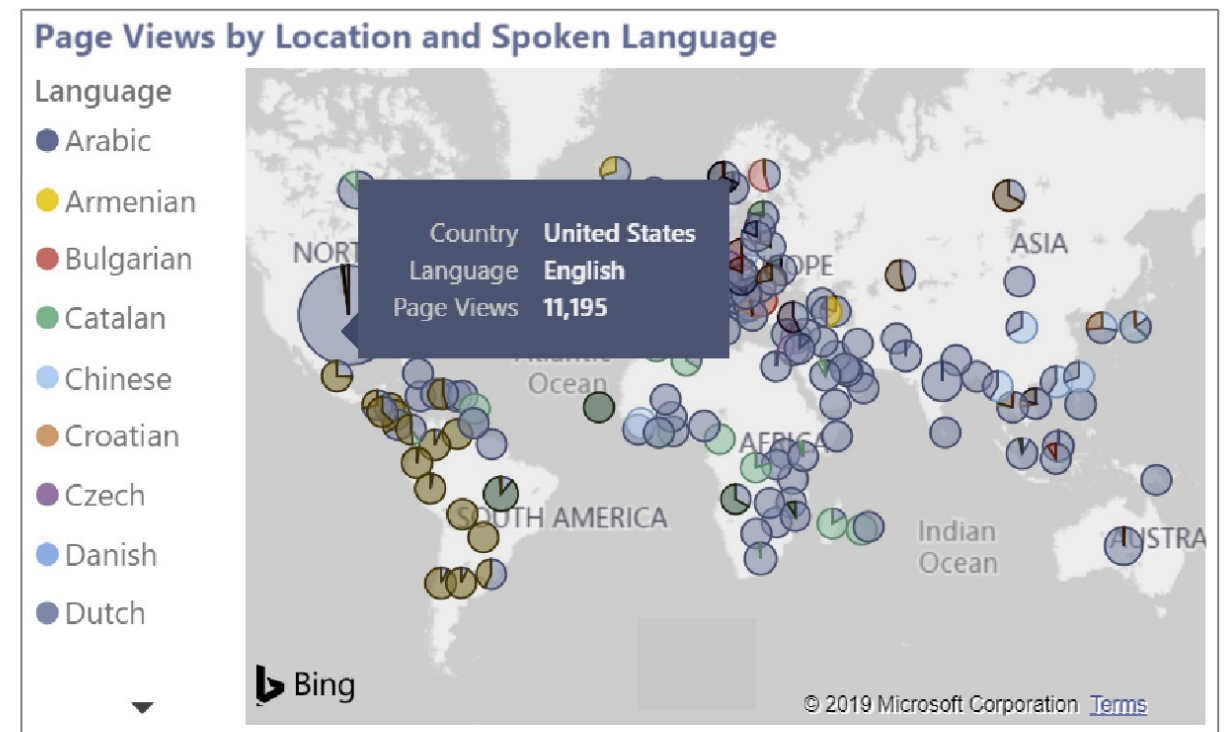
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Tooltips Introduction

- **Tooltips** are an elegant way of providing more *contextual information* and *detail* to data points on a visual
- By default, tooltips displays the data point's *value* and *category*¹
- Fields may be *added* to the tooltips well to provide *additional data points*

1: Tooltips can also be *disabled* for specific visuals

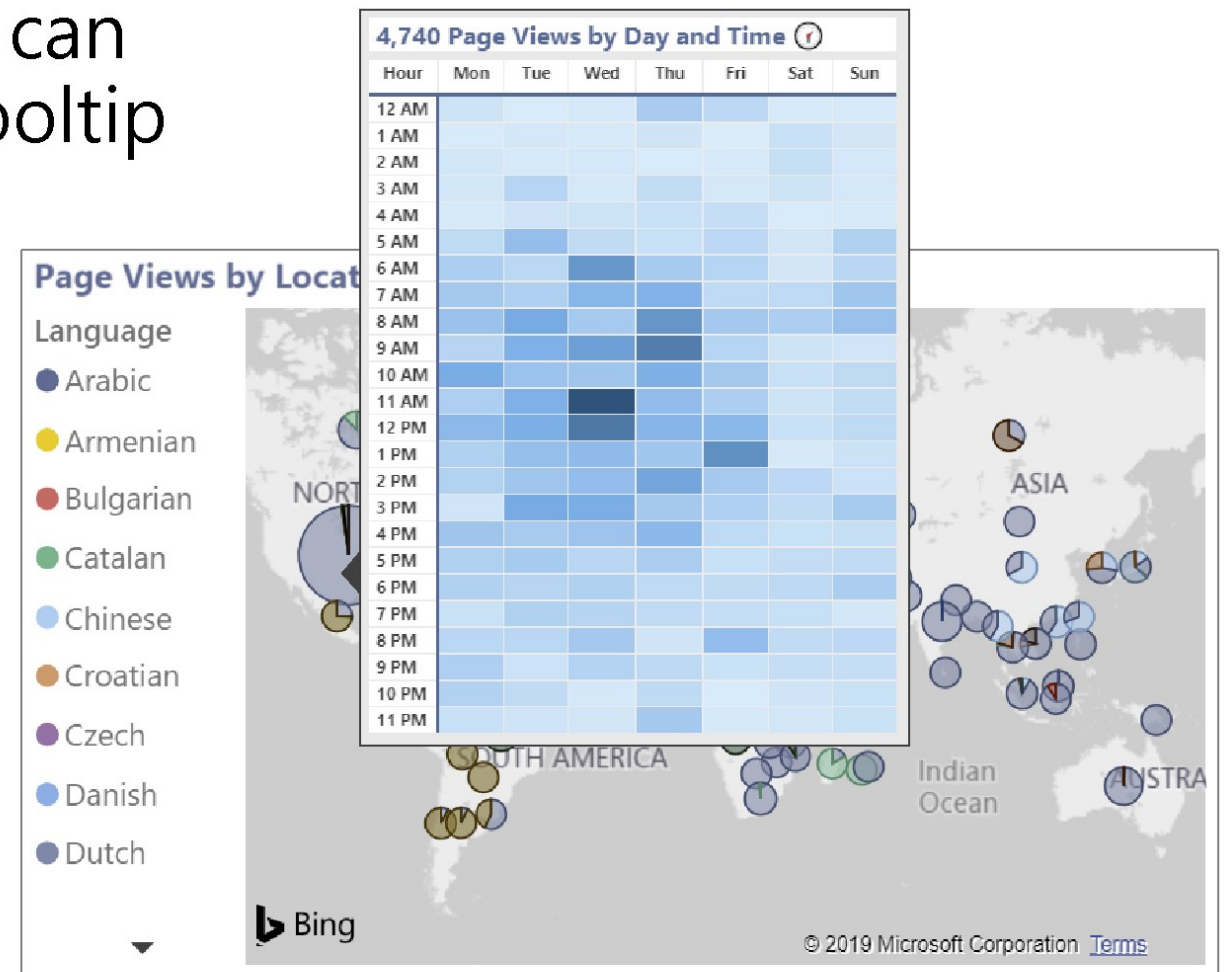


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Tooltips ► Report Tooltips

- Additionally, **report tooltip pages** can be created to display visuals as a tooltip
- **Tooltip pages:**
 - Can be set to any height or width
 - Can include any visual or object
 - Cannot be interacted with inside the tooltip¹

1: Elements such as *slicers*, *hierarchy controls*, *drillthrough*, etc. cannot be clicked

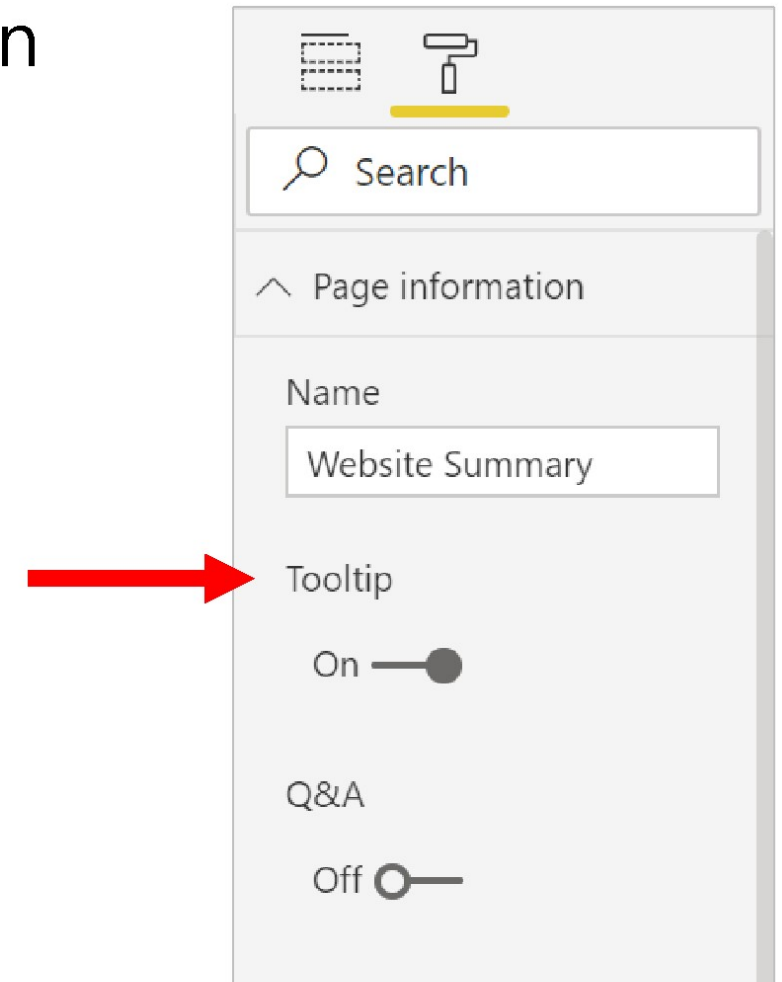


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Tooltips ► Report Tooltips ► Configuration

- Configurations for report tooltips are accessed in the *format pane* for the *report page*¹
- **Report tooltip settings:**
 - **Tooltip** (*toggle*) – enables this page to be used as a tooltip by other page visuals

1: Page formatting is only accessible if there is not an active page visual selected



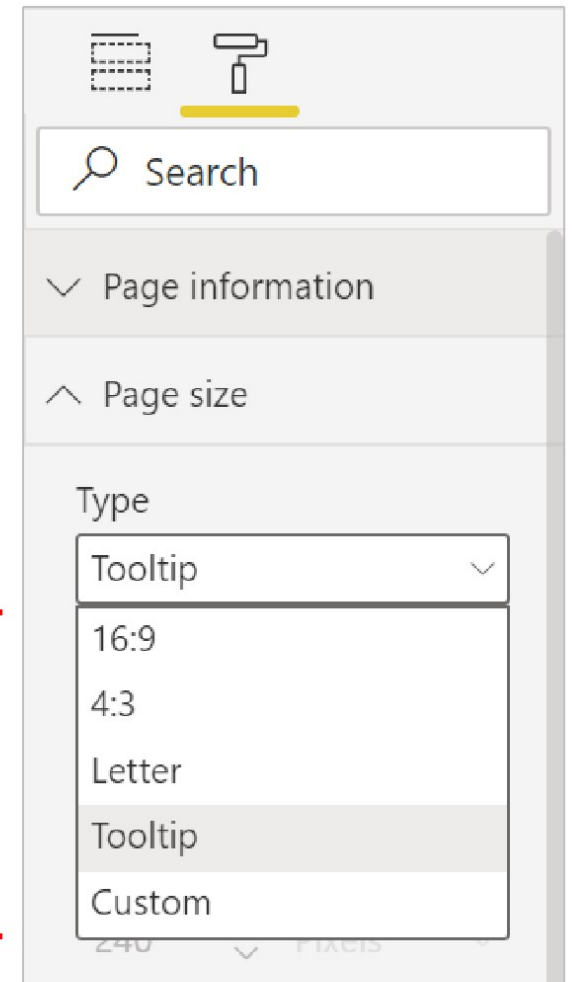
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- **Report tooltip settings:**
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 - **Page size** – configuration of the pixel size and width, common configurations include:
 - *Tooltip* – 320 x 240 pixels
 - *Custom* – User defined pixel width and height

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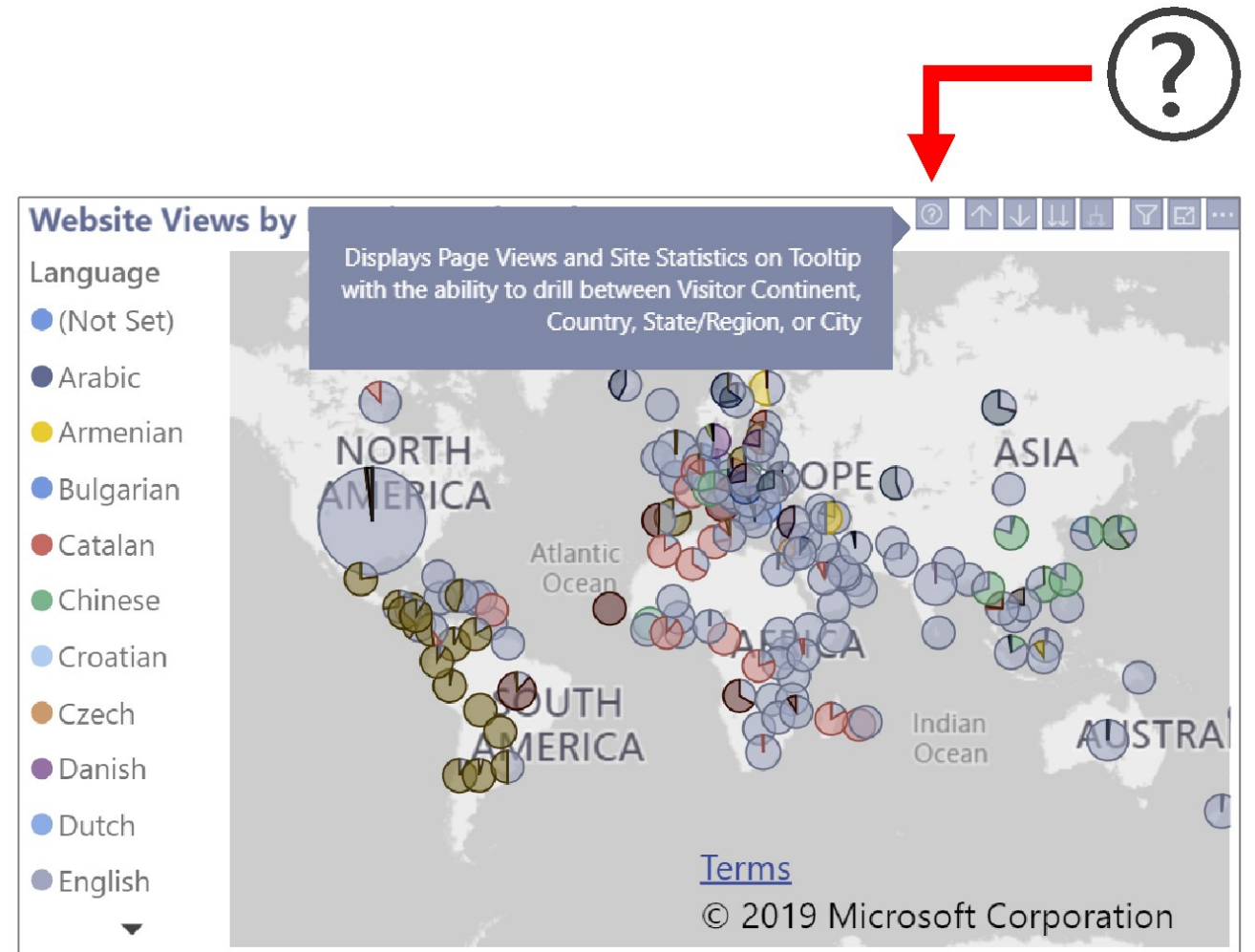
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Tooltips ► Visual Header Tooltips

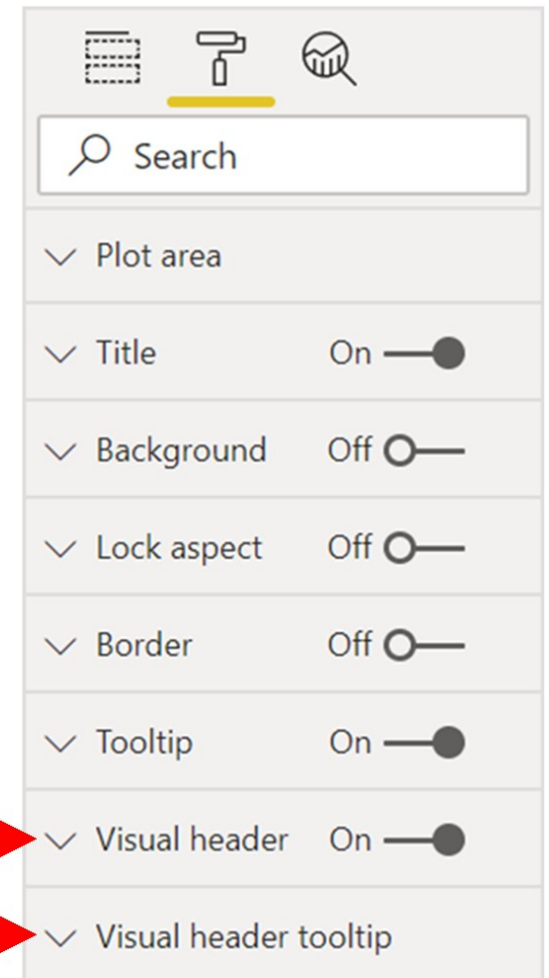
- **Tooltips** can also be created *inside* the *visual header* to display information relevant to a visual
- **Visual Header Tooltips:**
 - Can be configured to be either a *standard Tooltip* or a *Report Tooltip*
 - Can be customized for each visual



Implementing Report Tooltips

Tooltips ► Visual Header Tooltips ► Configuration

- Configurations for visual header report tooltips are accessed in the *visual header* for the *visual*
- **Visual header tooltip settings:**
 - **Visual header tooltip icon** (*toggle*) – enables the tooltip icon and toggles visibility of the configuration menu for the visual header tooltip



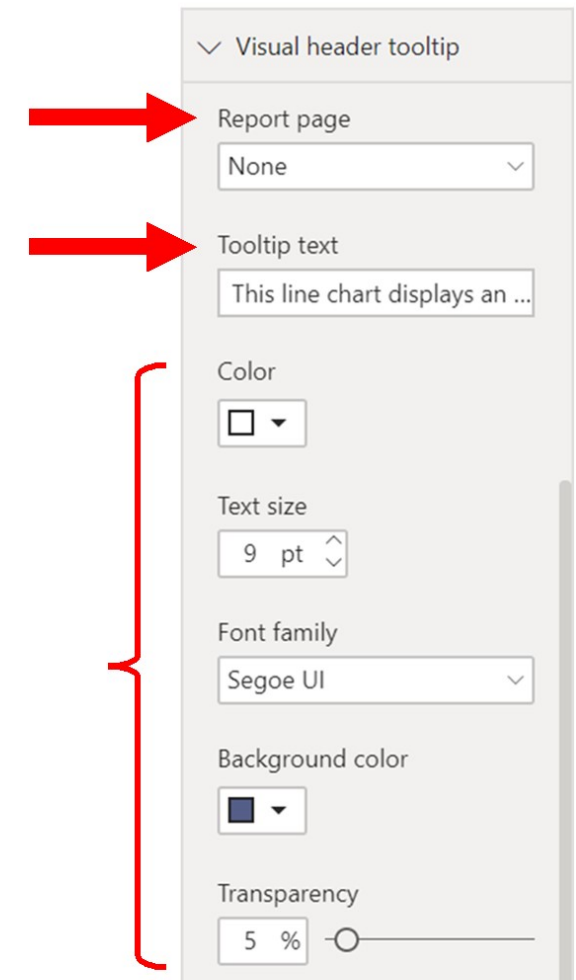
Visual header tooltip **toggle** located here →

Displays when **toggle is on** →

Implementing Report Tooltips

Tooltips ► Visual Header Tooltips ► Configuration

- Configurations for visual header report tooltips are accessed in the *visual header* for the *visual*
- **Visual header tooltip settings:**
 - **Visual header tooltip icon** (*toggle*) – enables the tooltip icon and toggles visibility of the configuration menu for the visual header tooltip
 - **Visual header tooltip** (*menu*) – contains all configuration options, such as:
 - *Report Page* – which page to assign to tooltip (if desired)
 - *Tooltip Text* – text to display inside tooltip
 - Up to 250 characters
 - *Formatting options*
 - E.g. font size, color, background, transparency





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Implementing Report Tooltips

- Exercise 1 – Configuring a Report Tooltip Page
- Exercise 2 – Adding Report Tooltips to Visuals
- Exercise 3 – Enabling Visual Header Tooltips



Questions?



Recommended Practices

- Consider the *audience* and their *needs*
- Just because a *feature exists* does not mean it has to be used in a report
- Use *conditional formatting* to draw attention to *important data*
- *Leverage tooltips* to provide additional relevant information to visuals
- Configure *bookmarks* to reduce the number of mouse clicks and mouse travel for users – enabling a more intuitive report experience



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