

Creating Dashboards

Intellicus Enterprise Reporting and BI Platform



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Creating Dashboards

Dashboard displays multiple pieces of information arranged on a single screen so that it can be viewed and monitored at a glance. A dashboard can have reports as well as web content. It acts as an interface for business analysts and application administrators to analyze their systems in a comprehensive and personalized manner.

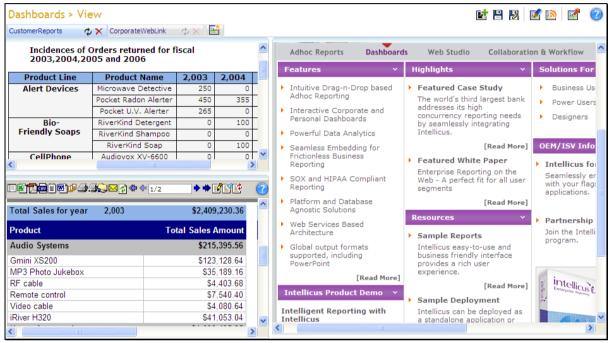


Figure 1: Dashboard

When using Intellicus' Enterprise edition, you can design multiple-dashboards. Each of the dashboards may have multiple widgets on them.

Your dashboard may have:

- **Reports:** This includes Adhoc reports, standard reports as well as OLAP reports.
- **Published reports:** These are the reports that are already executed and saved on report server.
- **Web links:** The way we specify URL of a web site on browser, you can set a URL to be viewed on dashboard.

Report, Published report or web link is set on dashboard-widgets. Multiple widgets are then placed on dashboard.

As an **End user,** you can make use of pre-designed dashboard widgets and design dashboards for private use. You can also subscribe to dashboards made available to you by Administrator / super administrator.

Dashboard Viewer

On dashboard, in addition to viewing information, you can open a new tab to create a new dashboard or subscribe to an existing dashboard as well as add, reposition or remove a dashboard-widget.

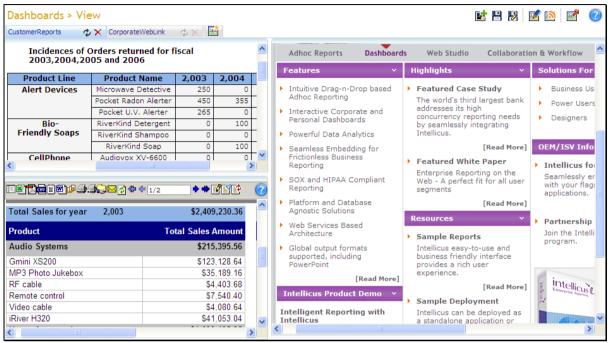


Figure 2: Dashboard

To refresh data on the dashboard, click $^{\circ}$ button on corresponding dashboard tab.

By default, dashboard is displayed in viewer area. Click if button to open full-screen mode. It opens as a new window. After opening the viewer in full-screen, when you change the viewer-width, pane size will change accordingly. You can change widget height and pane width.

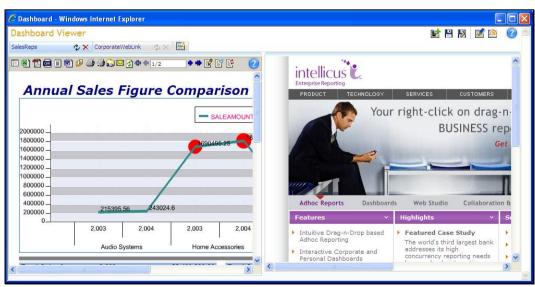


Figure 3: Dashboard opening in full-screen view

Dashboard may have one or more vertical panes. A pane may contain one or more widgets arranged one below other. A widget may contain a report or a web link. If some of the information on widget is not visible due to its size, you can change widget height as well as pane width to make the information visible.



Figure 4: Dashboard Widget

When you hover the mouse pointer on widget-title, title-bar opens up and remains open for a few seconds. Title-bar has buttons.

- Click button to maximize the widget. When you maximize a widget, it gets spread across the entire viewer area.
- Click **_** button to minimize the widget. When you minimize a widget, it is reduced to just the title-bar.
- Click button to refresh the data displayed inside a widget.
- Click ☐ button to restore widget to its original size. To remove the widget from dashboard, click x button.

You can re-position widgets on your dashboard. To re-position a widget, click title-bar of the widget, drag it to the new position and drop it there. The widget will be placed at the new position. Other widgets in the pane will get adjusted automatically.

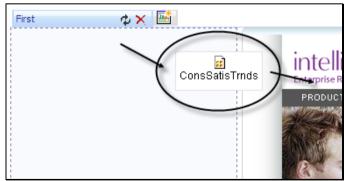


Figure 5: Re-positioning a widget on dashboard

To save the changes made on a dashboard, click 💾 button.

Adding a dashboard

Note: You can create multiple dashboards in Intellicus Enterprise Edition.

You may create a new dashboard as well as subscribe to an existing dashboard.

Click button on dashboard tab to open a new dashboard tab. Next step is to drag and drop widgets on the dashboard.

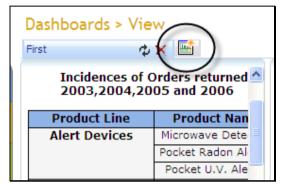




Figure 6: New Dashboard button and Open Existing Dashboard button

To subscribe an existing dashboard, click button on dashboard tab. Object Selector area will open where you navigate to the desired folder and select the dashboard you want to subscribe.

From the dashboards listed in Object Selector area, Double-click the dashboard you want to subscribe to.

Adding dashboard-widgets on the dashboard

You can add dashboard widgets on a dashboard (new or existing). Dashboard widgets are available in folders. (If you have not created a dashboard widget, create it before creating the dashboard).

Click button. Object Selector area will open where you navigate to the desired folder and select the widget to add.

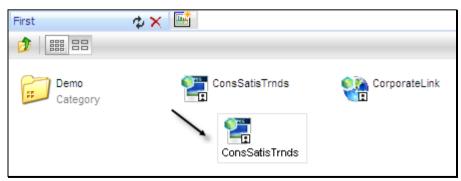


Figure 7: Adding a widget on dashboard

When widgets are listed on Object Selector area, select a widget to view its description on right side of the area. To get the selected widget on dashboard, click the widget, drag and drop on the pane where you want to position the widget.

Saving the dashboard

To save the changes on the dashboard, click \square button. To **Save As** a dashboard, click \square button. When you Save As a dashboard, you can save the open dashboard like a new dashboard.

Removing a dashboard

Click X button on the tab to remove that dashboard.



Figure 8: Removing a dashboard

When you remove a dashboard, it will be removed from Dashboard Preferences list.

To remove it from saved location as well, check **Remove this dashboard from Saved location** check box on **Remove tab** dialog.

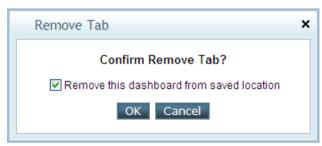


Figure 9: Remove Tab dialog

Removing a dashboard from repository

If a dashboard is not displayed (because it is not selected on **Dashboard Preferences** page) you can delete such a dashboard from **Repository Explorer**.

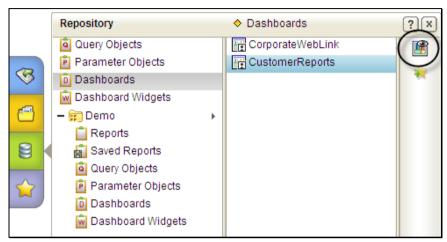


Figure 10: Repository Explorer

On **Explorer**, click **Repository** and navigate to the folder in which the dashboard to be deleted is located.

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Select the dashboard to be deleted and open it to view by clicking Only the selected dashboard will open in viewer.

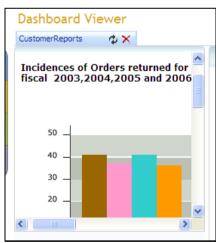


Figure 11: Dashboard open in Dashboard Viewer

Now you can follow the steps that you follow to remove a dashboard.

Users who have selected this dashboard for view, will no longer get this dashboard. For the reference of the users, such dashboard is still listed under **Selected Dashboards** on **Preferences** Page.

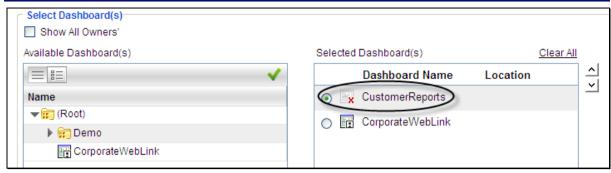


Figure 12: Notice the cross on deleted dashboard

You can select that dashboard and click \leq to remove the deleted dashboard from **Selected Dashboard(s)** list.

Viewing Dashboard

When you design a dashboard, it is automatically added in **Selected Dashboards** list of dashboard Preferences, and so is displayed when you login in Intellicus.

 When you have navigated away from dashboard, click Navigation > Dashboards > View to view the selected dashboard(s).



Figure 13: Viewing Dashboard from Viewer

Click Favorites > Dashboards > View to view the selected dashboard(s).
If dashboard is added as favorites then only this option will be available.



Figure 14: Viewing from Favorites

 Click Repository > Dashboards > Select the Dashboards> View to view the selected dashboard(s).

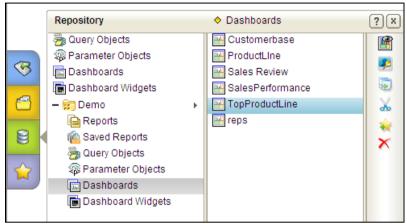


Figure 15: Viewing from Repository

Editing a Dashboard

When you click **b**utton, **Properties**, **Layout** and **Information** area of the dashboards opens up.



Figure 16: The area that opens when you click Edit Dashboard button

To auto-refresh a dashboard at a regular interval, check the **Auto-refresh every** check-box and specify time in terms of minutes in **Min(s)**. This will automatically refresh the dashboard after the set number of minutes.

Check **Prompt on First Run** checkbox to display Input Parameter Form to get value of Dashboard parameters before reports on dashboard are run for the first after displaying the dashboard.

Note: This is not applicable to the reports that have parameters that are not dashboard parameters.

In **Layout** area, you can select number of panes the dashboard should have.



Figure 17: Layout area having dashboard layout options

When changing a layout having less panes to more panes, panes will be added on the right side. Similarly, when changing the layout from more panes to less panes, panes (including widgets if any) will be removed from right side.

Information area displays Description, Scope and Location where the dashboard is saved.



Figure 18: Information area of dashboard

Many a times, same parameter, for example "Report Date" might have been used "By Ref" in multiple dashboard-reports. Such parameters are known as **Dashboard Parameters**. Value of such a parameter will be used by all the reports where this parameter is used.

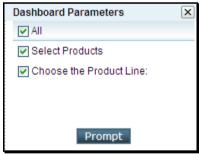


Figure 19: Selecting Dashboard parameters to be placed on common IPF

Check the parameters for which you want to provide values on a common Input Parameter Form (IPF) and click **Prompt** button to open the IPF.

On IPF, provide parameter values and click **Run** to start report generation. Value specified on common IPF is saved when you save the dashboard viewer. Click **Reset** button to cancel the changes made and revert to previously parameter saved values.

Setting Dashboard Preferences

Out of the dashboards you designed or the dashboards available to you, you need to select dashboards that you wish to view. This task is performed on **Dashboard Preferences** page.

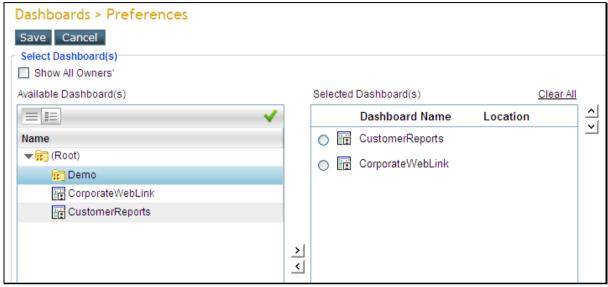


Figure 20: Dashboard Preferences

Dashboards are available in folders. To get dashboards made by all the users, check **Show All Owners'** checkbox (available only to application administrators).

Navigate to the folder in which a dashboard is available, and click to select it.

To shift a dashboard in **Selected Dashboard(s)** list, from **Available Dashboard(s)** list, select the dashboard by clicking it and click the button. The selected dashboard's name is also displayed in **Selected Dashboard(s)** list.

To remove a dashboard from **Selected Dashboard(s)** list, select the dashboard from the list, and click the \leq button to remove the selected dashboard.

To decide sequence of dashboard tabs (left to right) and dashboard options in combo (up to down), make use of \triangle and \cong buttons placed on the right of the **Selected Dashboard(s)** list.

Important: You can have multiple dashboards in Selected Dashboard(s) list when you are running Intellicus Enterprise Edition.

Repository Explorer

You can access a dashboard from Repository Explorer. Repository Explorer not only provides hierarchical view of folders and Dashboard within each folder, it also allows you to carry out many operations on selected dashboard.

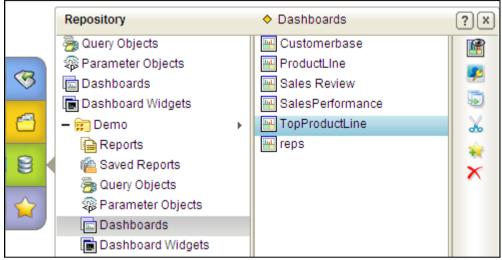


Figure 21: Dashboards visible on Explorer

You can do following when you select multiple dashboards at a time:

- Set Access Rights
- Copy, paste and cut paste the dashboard
- Delete the dashboard

If you select only one dashboard, you can also do following in addition to the above:

- · View / Edit the selected dashboard
- Add the selected widget to favorites

Refer to online help to know more on for each of these actions.