

### **VIZCREATOR PRESENTATION**

### BRINGING NUMBERS TO LIFE L6.1

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This best simulates the scenario sequences and animated transitions.

Visualization Creator 03/30/06

### **Overview**

In order to clearly communicate the interaction of various elements within the Visualization Creator

(VC), we have described several scenarios in which the VC would be used.

We believe the users of the VC range from Ling to Sven. However, different users will have different entry points and uses for the VC. Ling will do no analysis, but simply define data. John/Sven will analyze data and publish it in order to communicate a specific point.

## **Scope: Chart types**



The chart families for the scope of this phase of the Visualization Creator are Bar, Line, Pie, Plot and Gauge. Within each family, there are several types. The types within scope are those listed above.

NOT in scope are: Area, Radar, Polar, Finance, Stock, Histogram, Box, Map, Vector, Hierarchical, Network, Fish-Eye.

## **Scope: Style elements**

The Visualization Creator provides a means to edit most stylistic elements of a theme.

However, editing some types of stylistic element provides little or no true value to the user, and provide a means to negatively affect the legibility of data.

The design deliberately avoids providing capability to edit:

Axis line widths

Axis color

Label and header type size

Individual element colors on the fly (this is controlled by a theme palette, meaning any change is global to that theme).

This will also have the added effect of creating a specific Business Objects visual style to the charts, while also allowing for a level of personalization.

### **Overview of screen areas/Panels**

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- Scenario 2Scenario 3

#### Other Functions

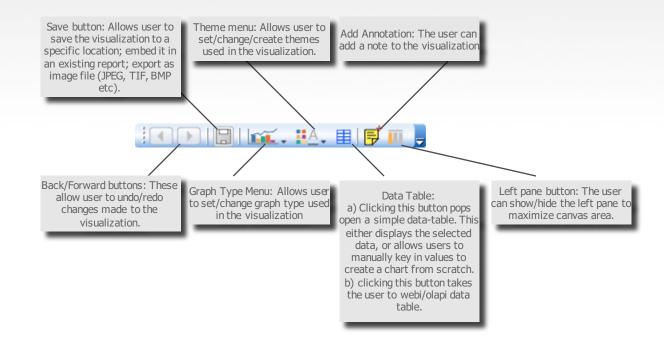
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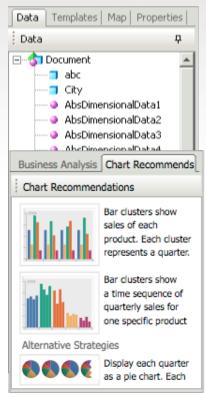
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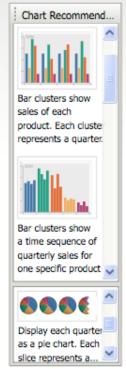
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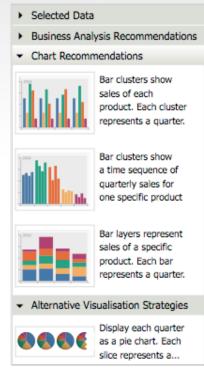
## Recommendations panel options



Splitting the existing left-pane into two parts, each with tabs



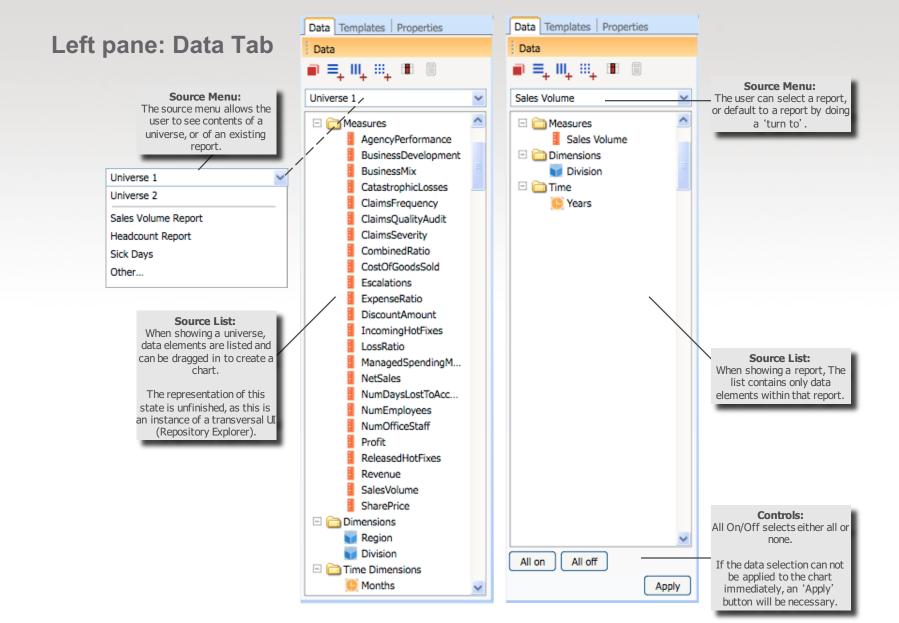
Narrow column on right side of screen or could be floating palette.



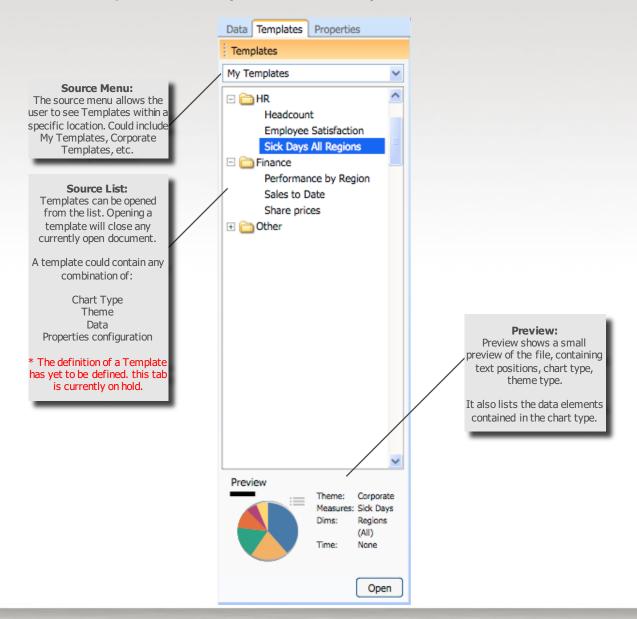
Existing panel on right side could be converted to floating window



Tab on bottom of screen. Changes to show current best recommended chart, clicking on it will provide a list of all suggestions.



## Left pane: Template Tab (Placeholder)



## Left pane: Properties tab

#### Data Options:

Allows setting of data-specific controls.

#### Display Data as:

%: will normalize the data Value: will show real data values. 'Value' is default.

#### Truncate Data:

Auto: Auto will truncate data automatically, optimizing the 'difference' in relevant discrepancy of values.

Manual: provides the user a set of on-chart drag-able areas to manually optimize the data display.

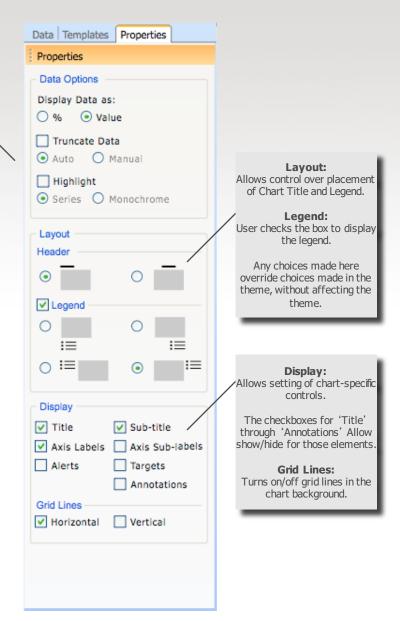
#### Highlight:

When a user wants to highlight a single bar, line or other chart component, they can choose to highlight it in one of two ways:

Series: Maintains all elements in series colors but depicts the highlighted bar in the highlight color set in their theme.

Monochrome: Depicts the highlighted element in the key color, all other elements in the secondary color in the range.

(See Theme and Selection model)



### Scenario 1: Turn to

FedEx Jack needs to produce a visualization of a sales report that John, a business manager at FedEx Corp. needs to see.

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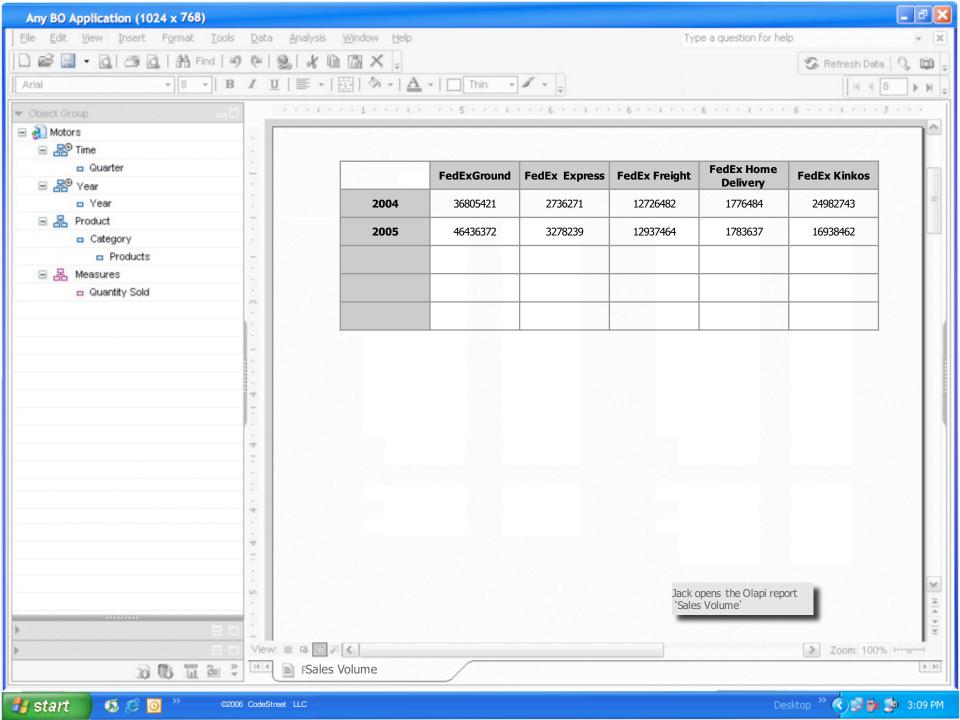
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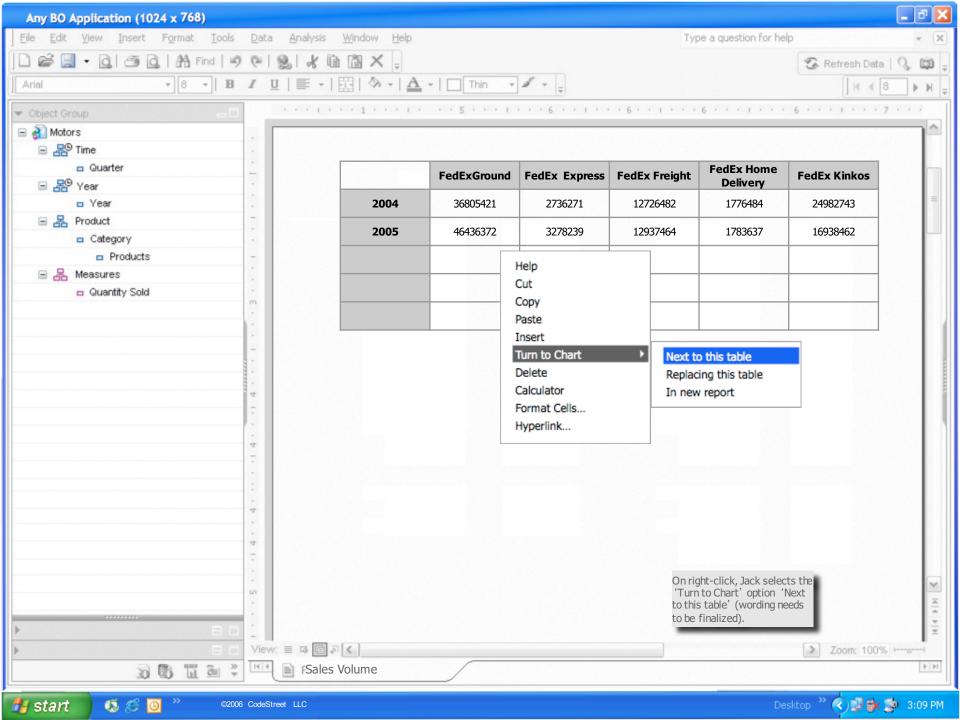
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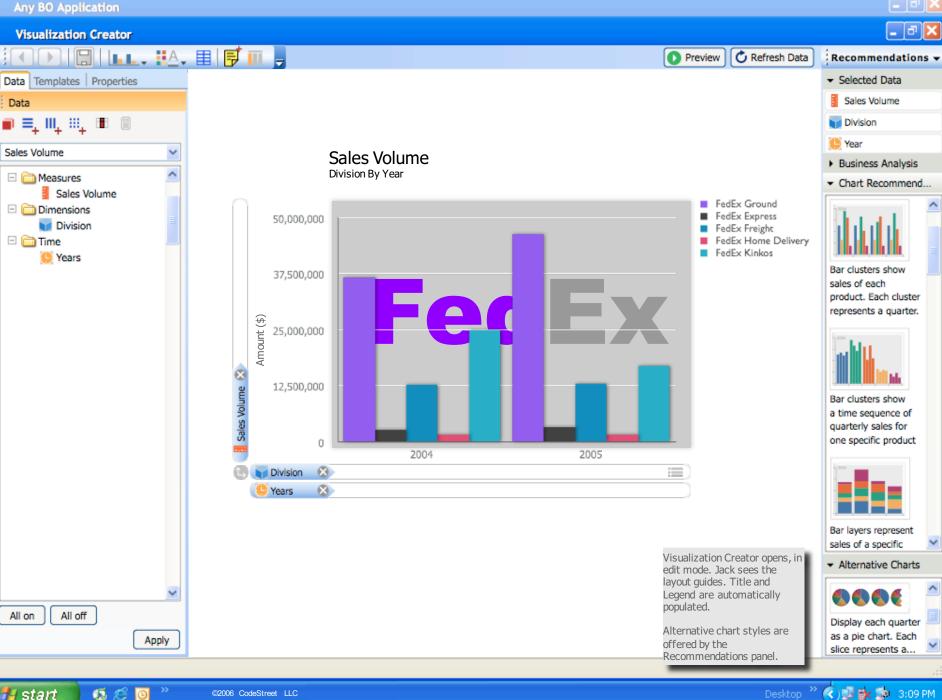
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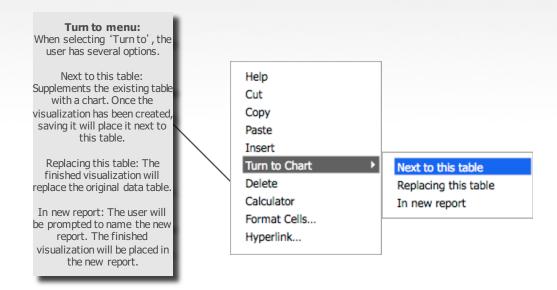






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#### Dialogue box:

If working with a very complex data set in the table, having selected 'turn to' on a complex data set, the user sees a dialogue box telling them that the Data set will be restricted, but they can change the selection in the Data tab of the left pane.

#### Turn To...

The selected table contains data which can not be displayed on a single chart. Visualization Creator will display a subset of the data selected. This can be overridden in the Data pane.

Cancel

OK

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#### Source Menu:

The source menu will now reflect the report name. Switching to another report name will display a dialogue asking the user to either save this visualization back into the originating report, discard it, or cancel the operation. If the user chooses to discard or save the report, the screen will then refresh with the newly selected report and appropriate visualization.

#### Source List:

When a user does a 'Turn to' from a complex data table, the Visualization Creator will select the first x members of each type of data, until a conflict is met, at which point no further members of that type of data will be used in the initial visualization displayed.

# **Scenario 2: Chart Type Driven**

FedEx Ling builds a report from measures, knowing her chart type.

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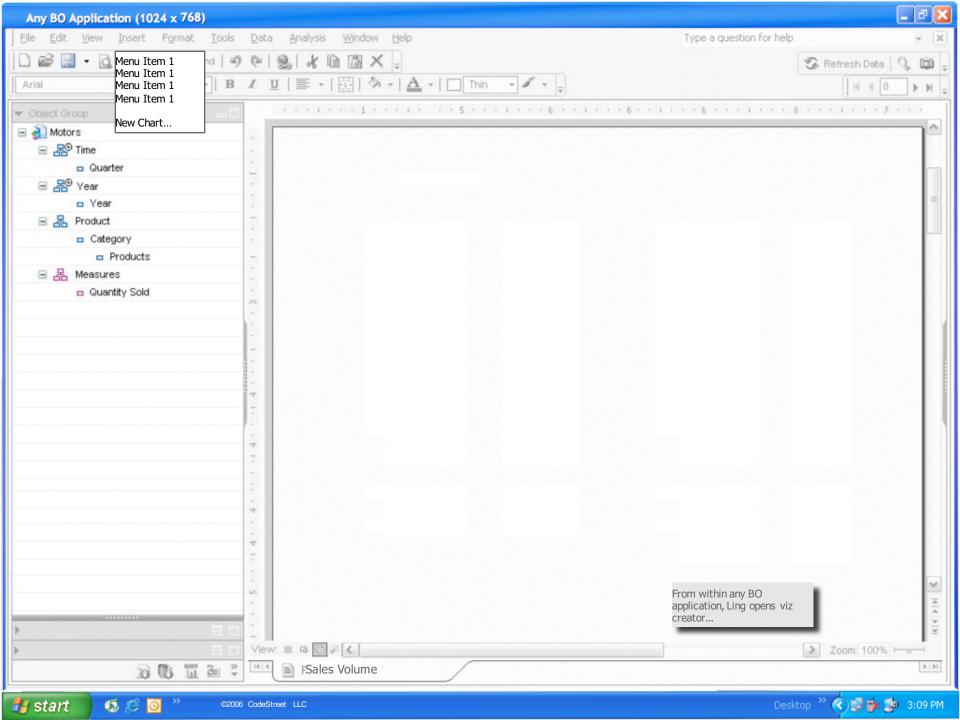
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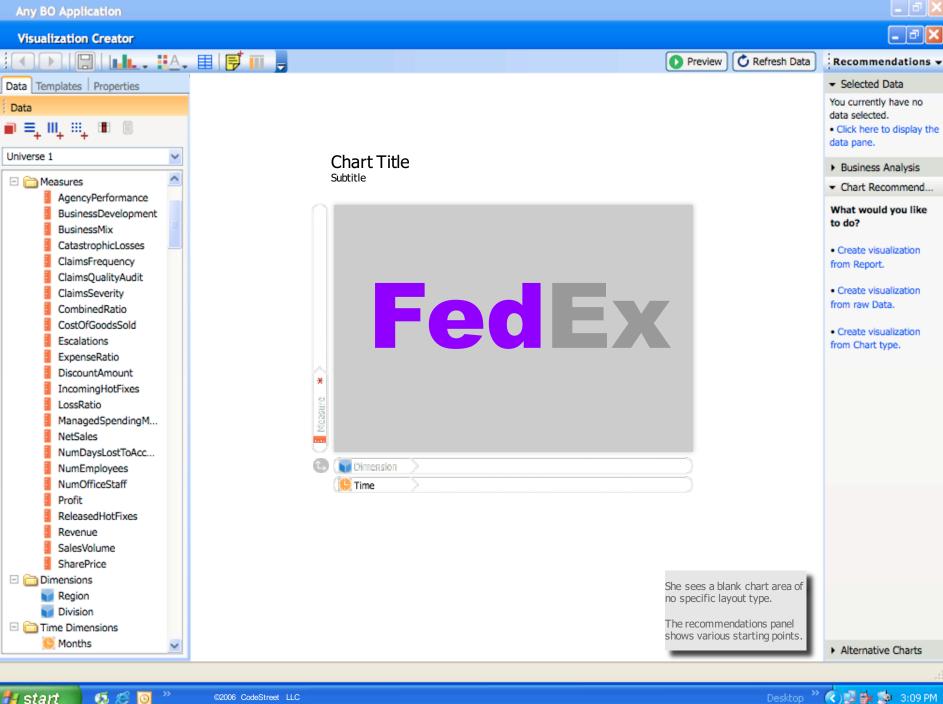
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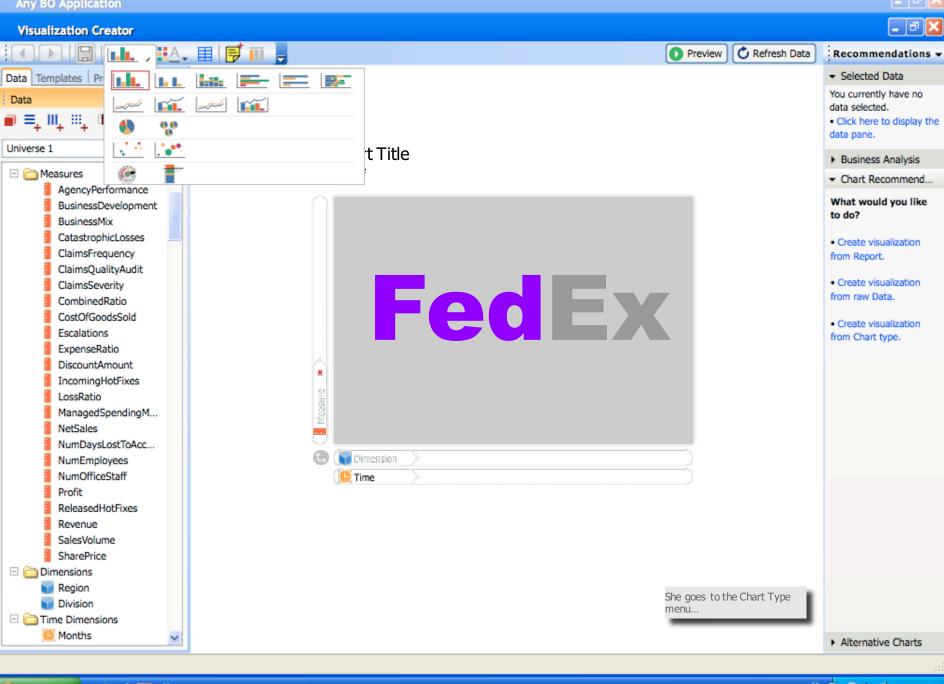








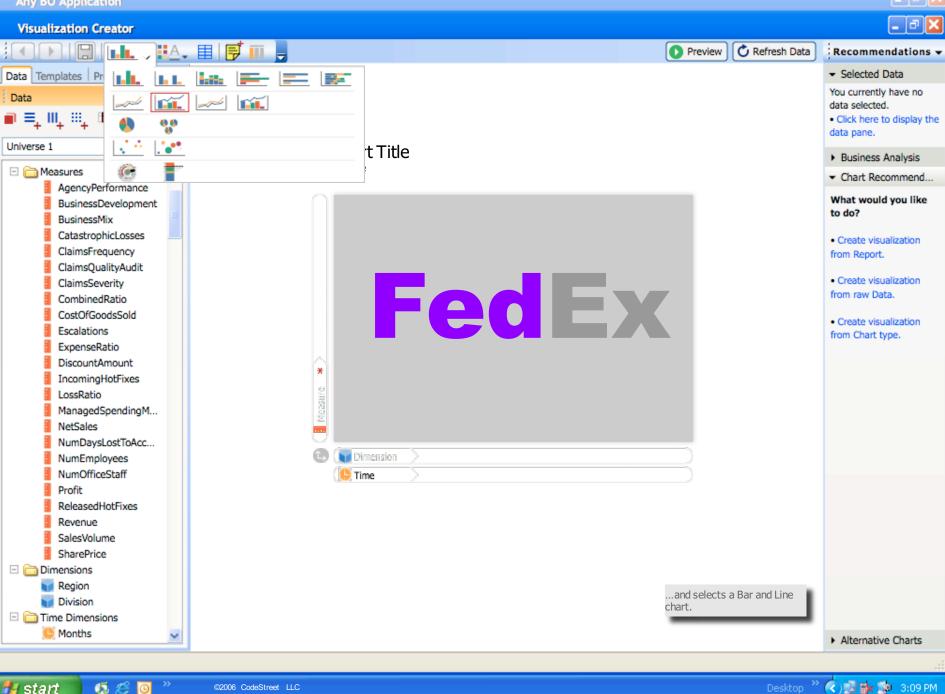






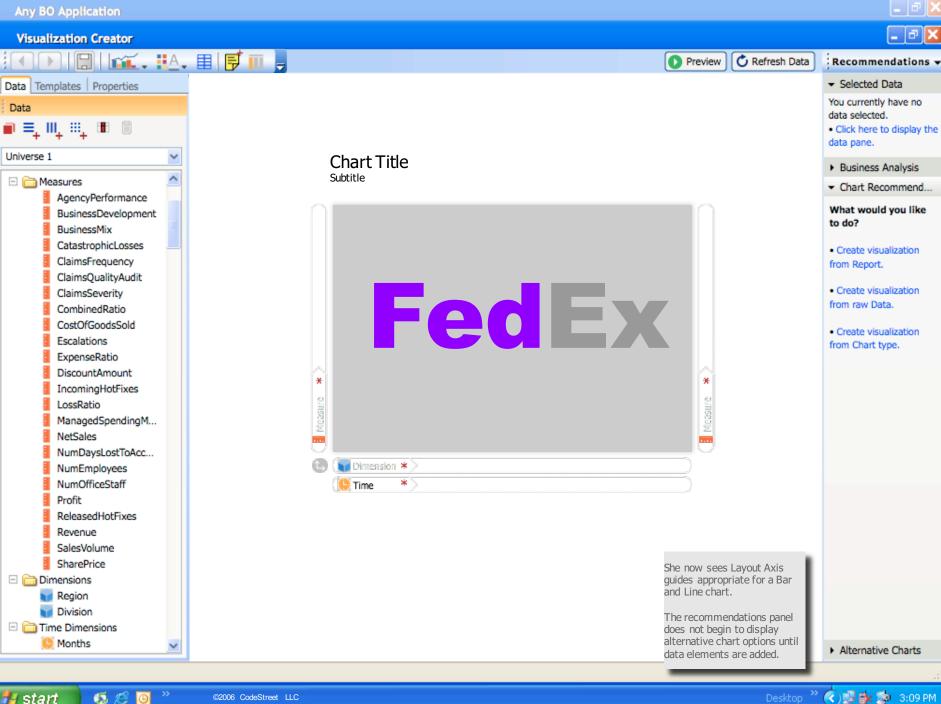






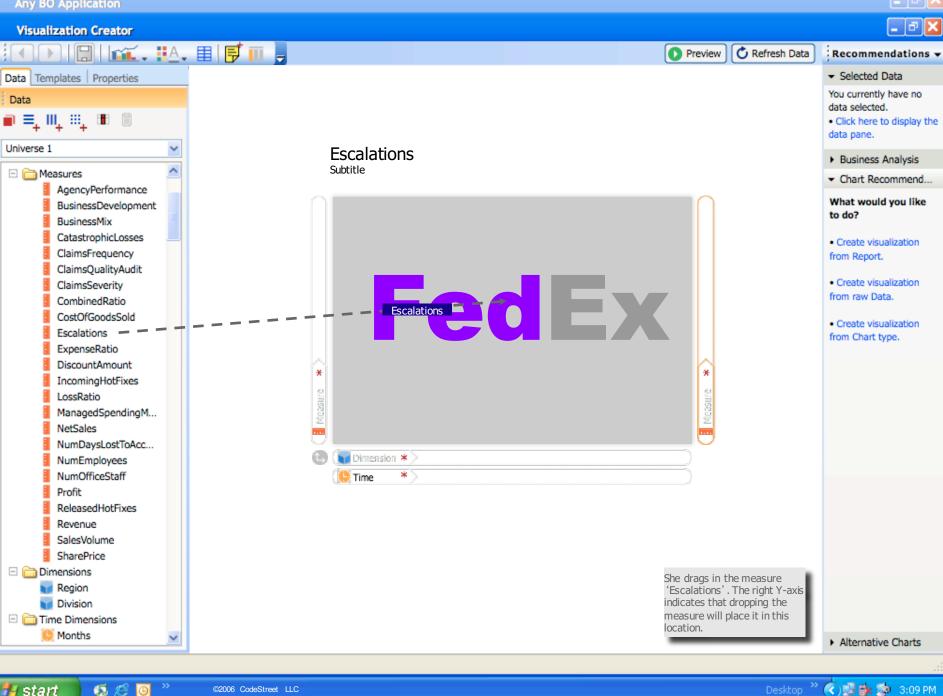








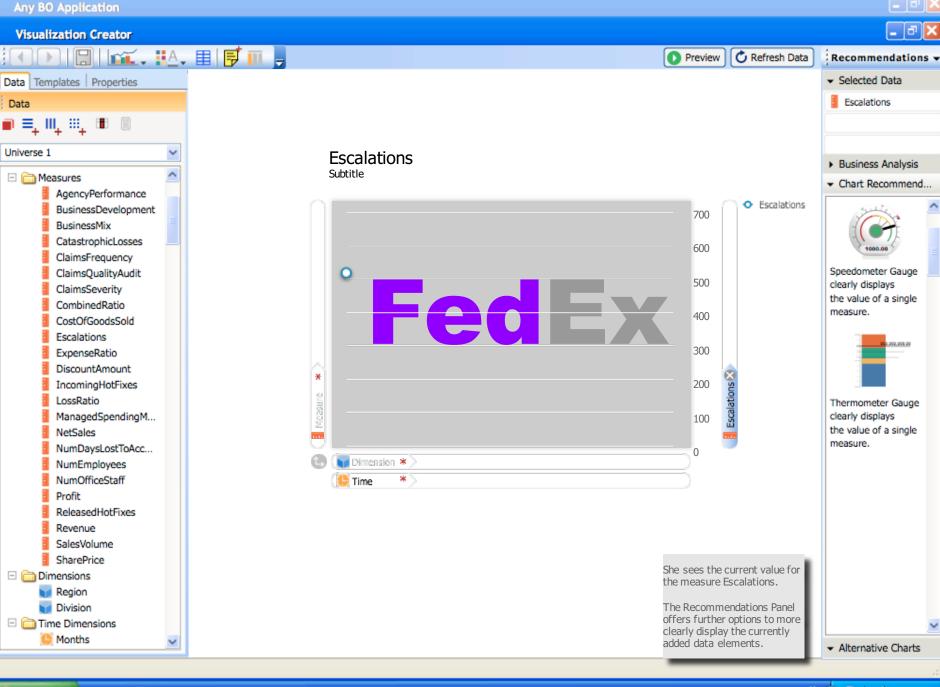








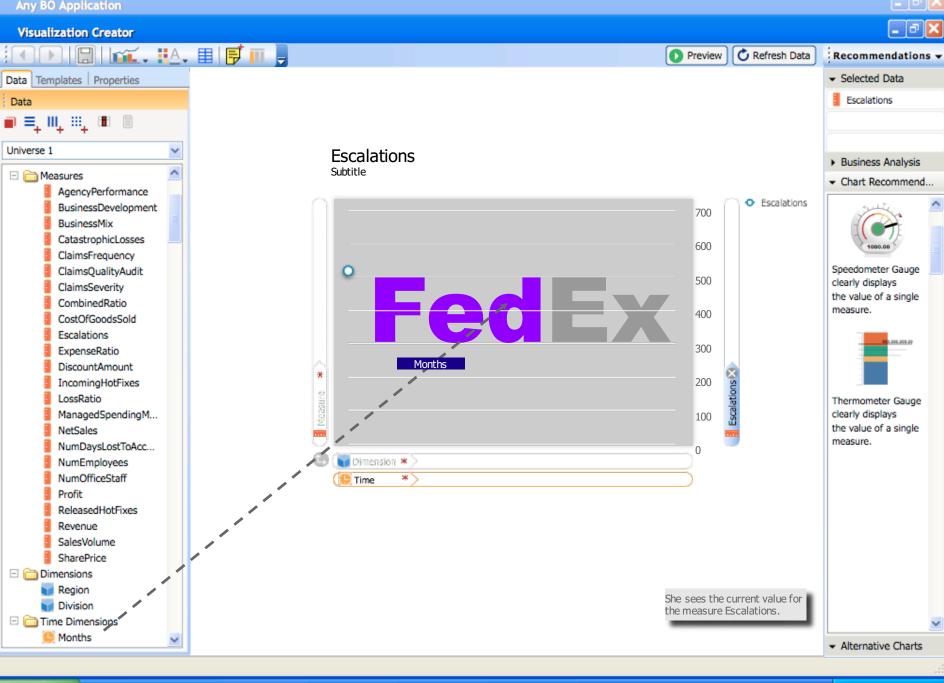






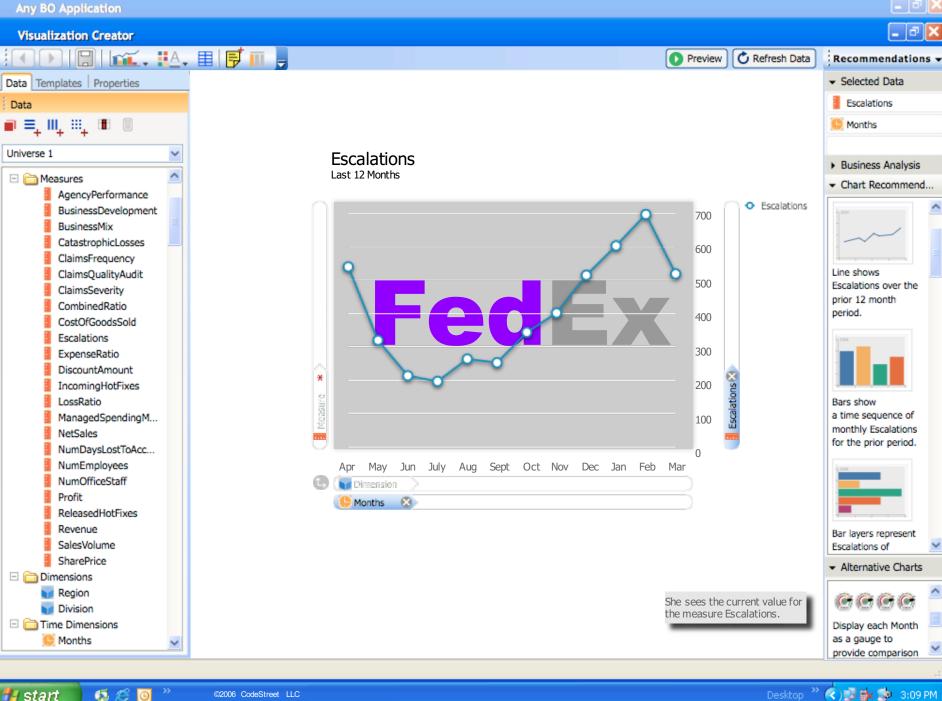








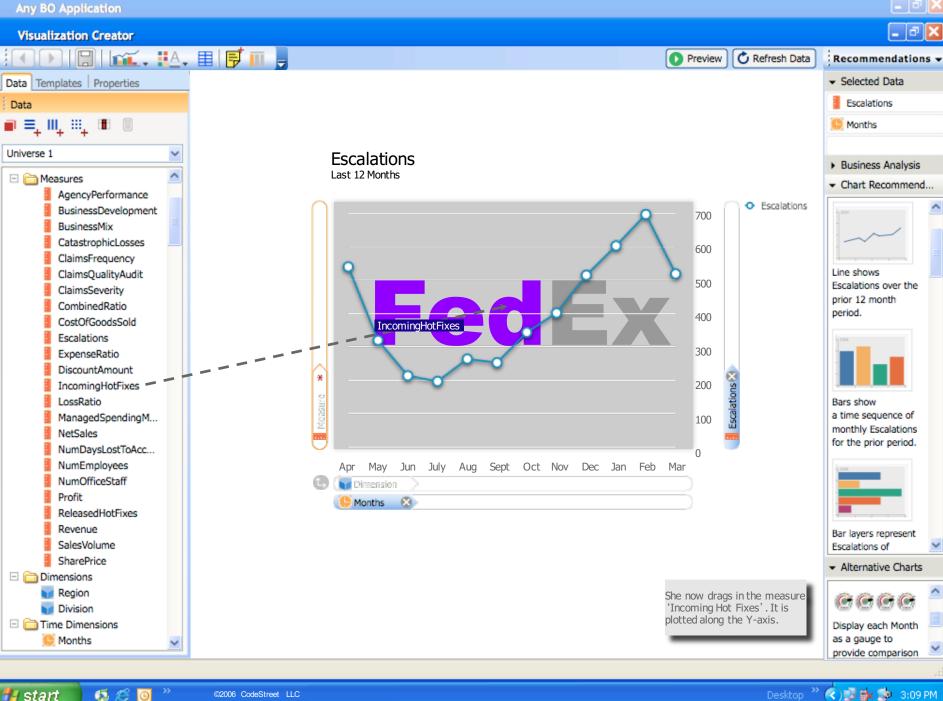








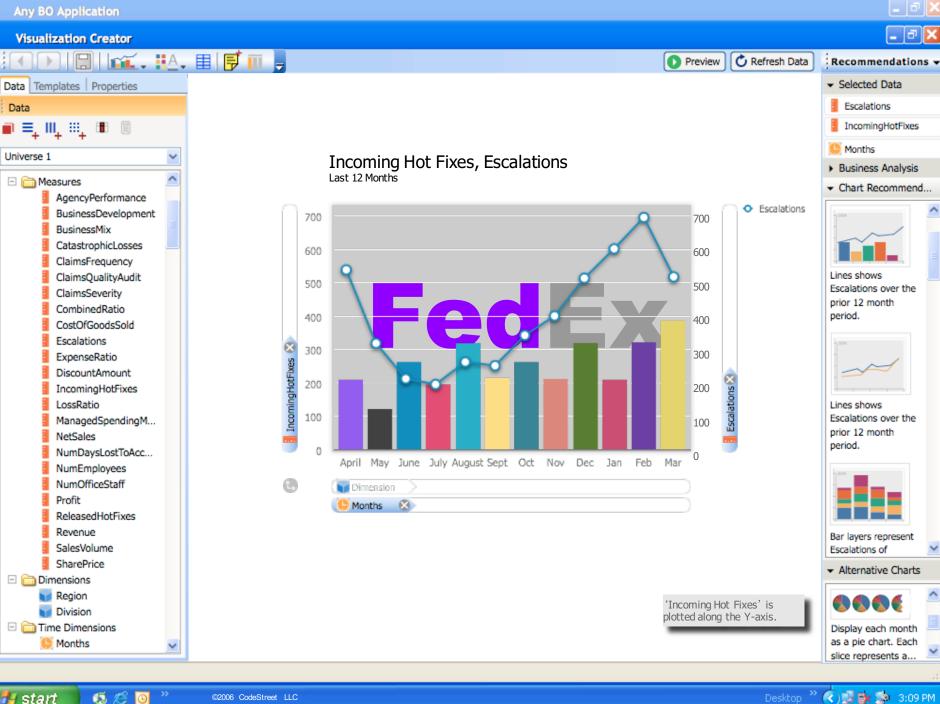










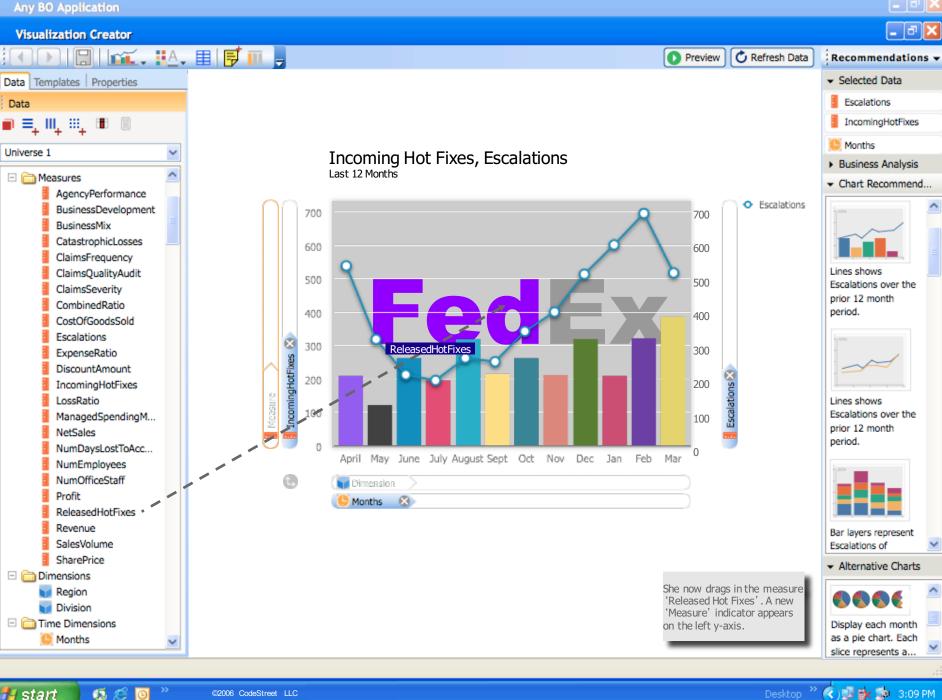








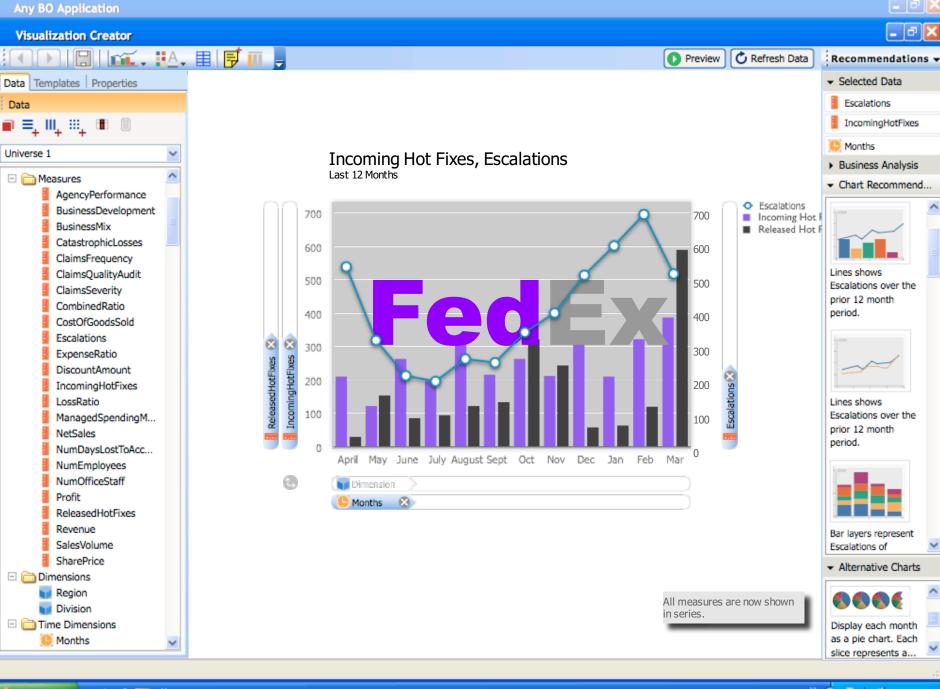


















### Scenario 3: From Data

FedEx Joanne builds a report from measures, without knowing what her chart type will be.

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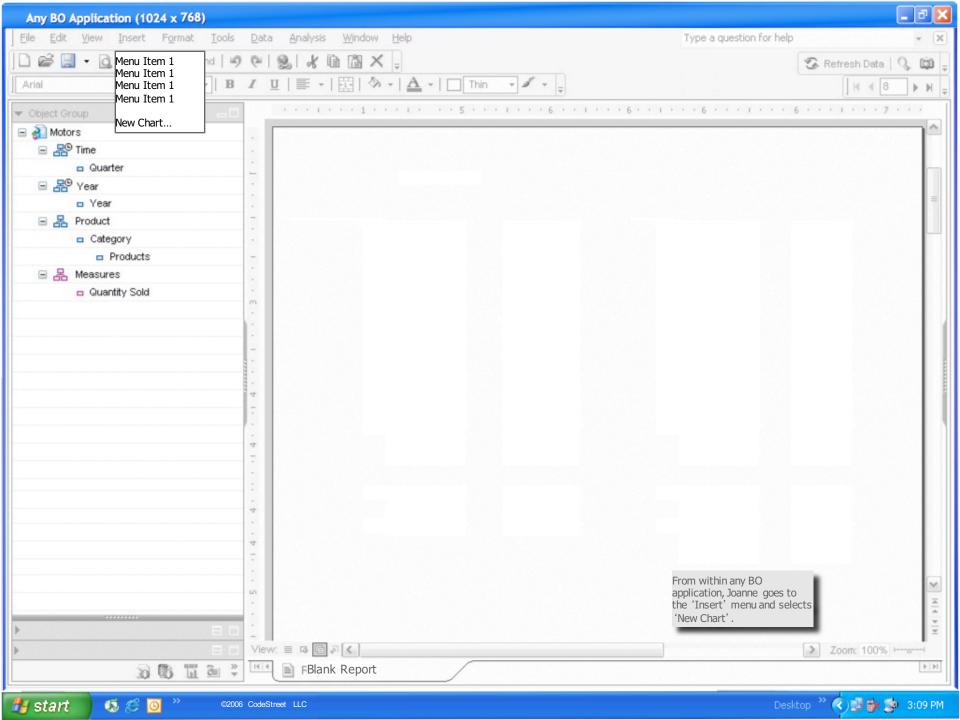
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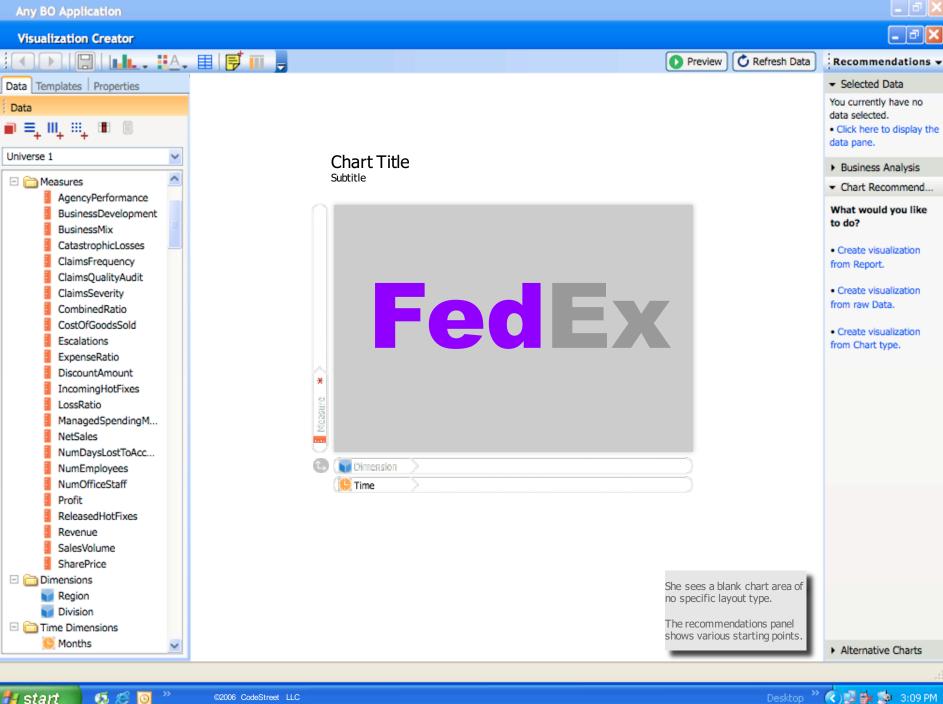
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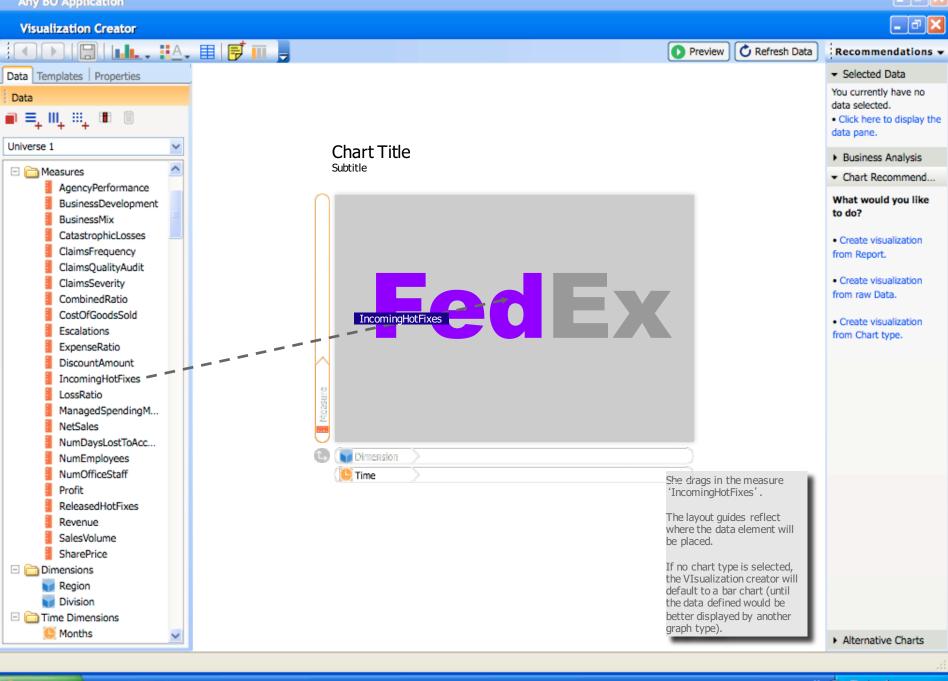






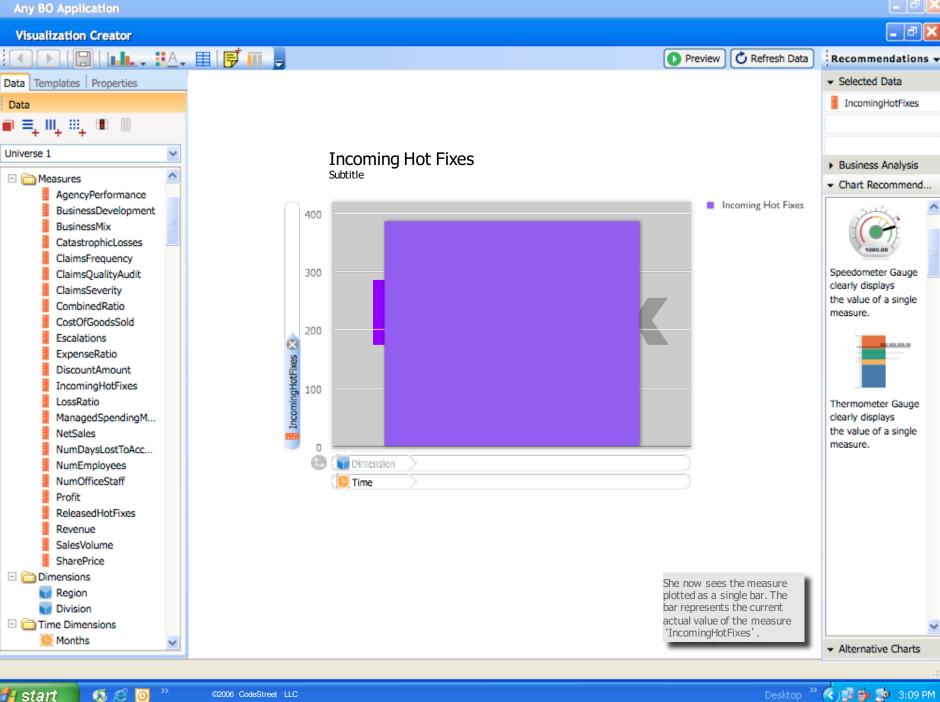










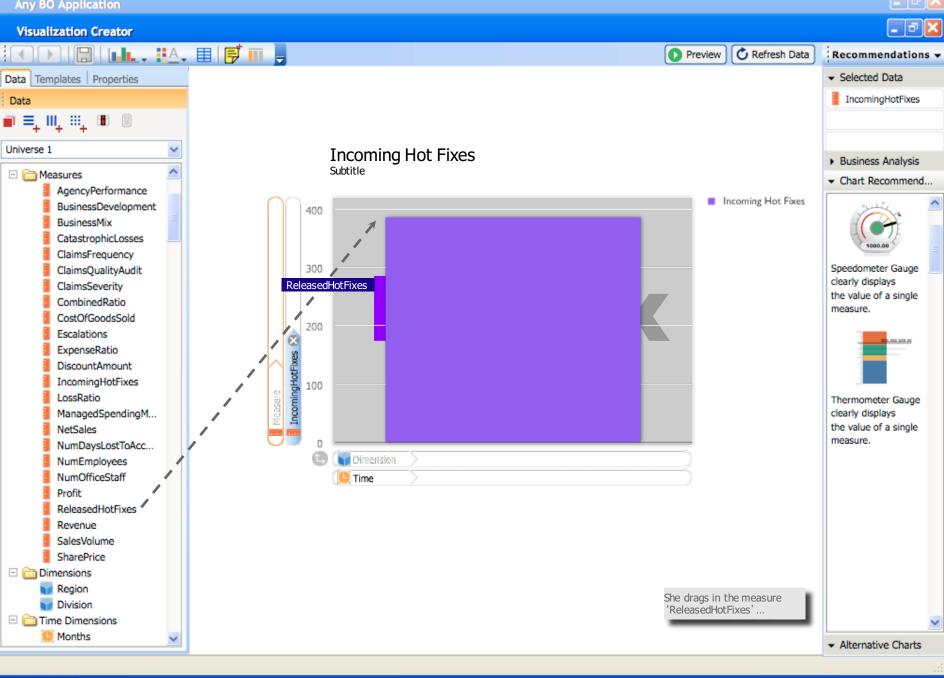










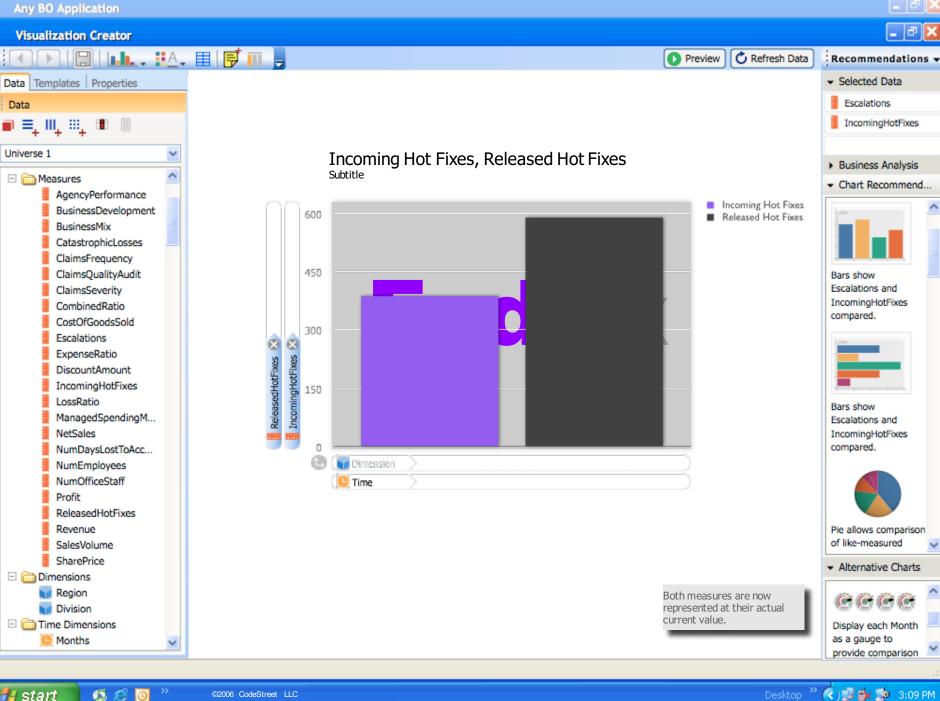










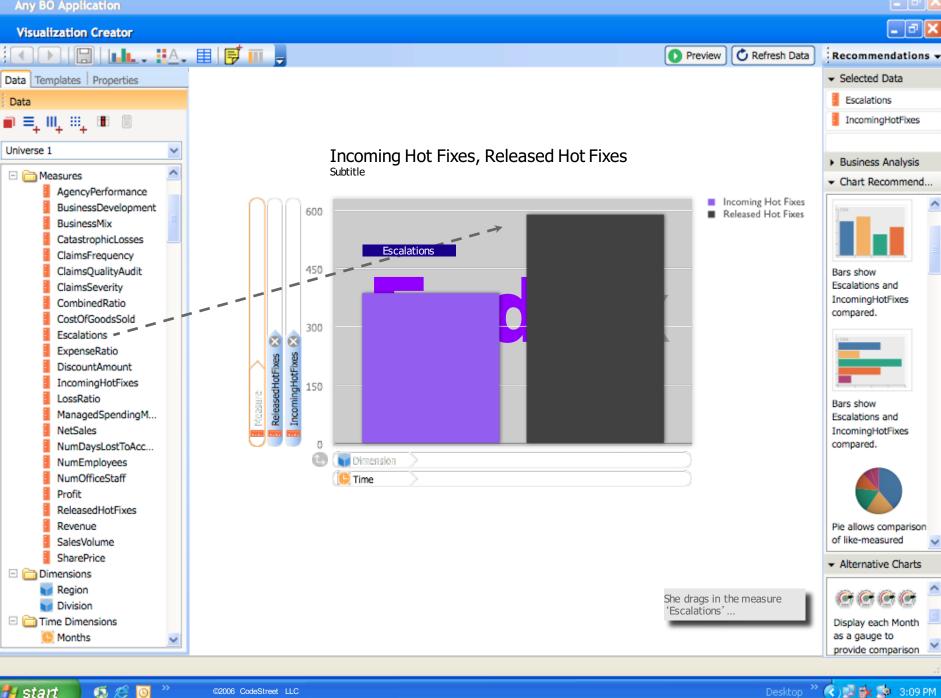








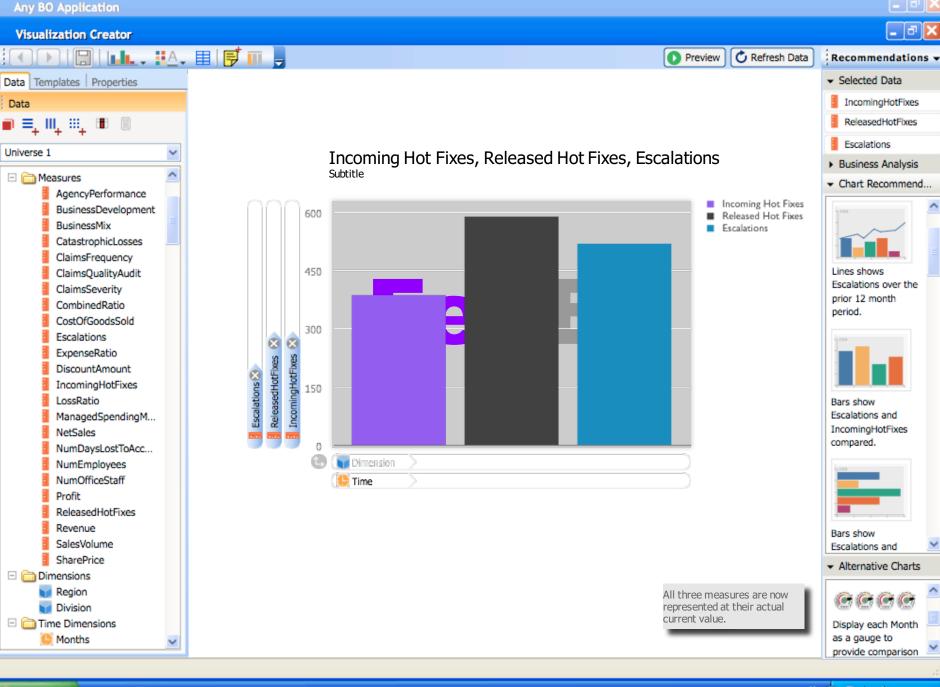










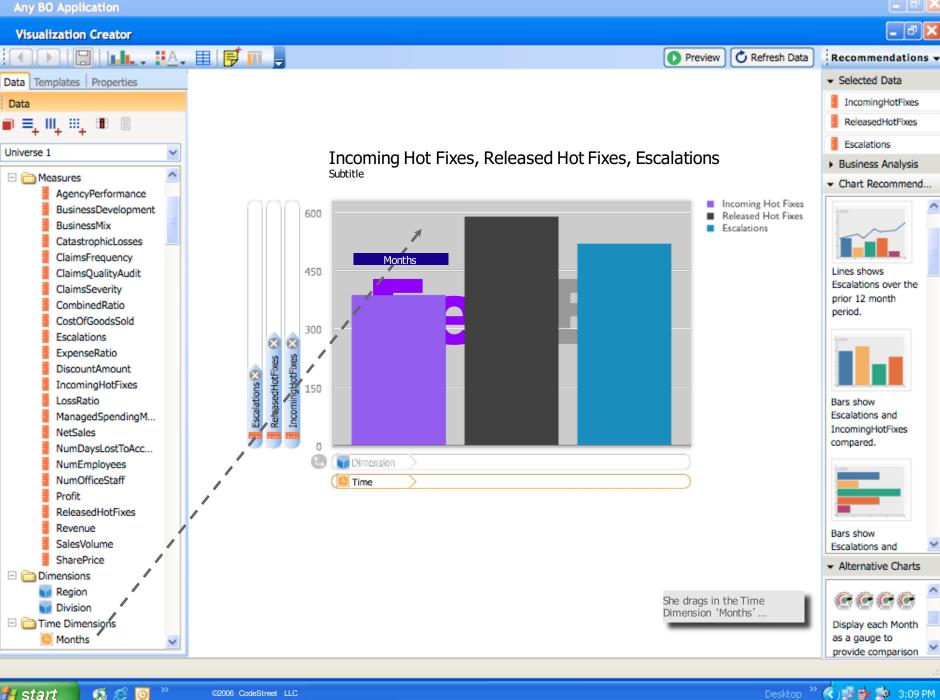








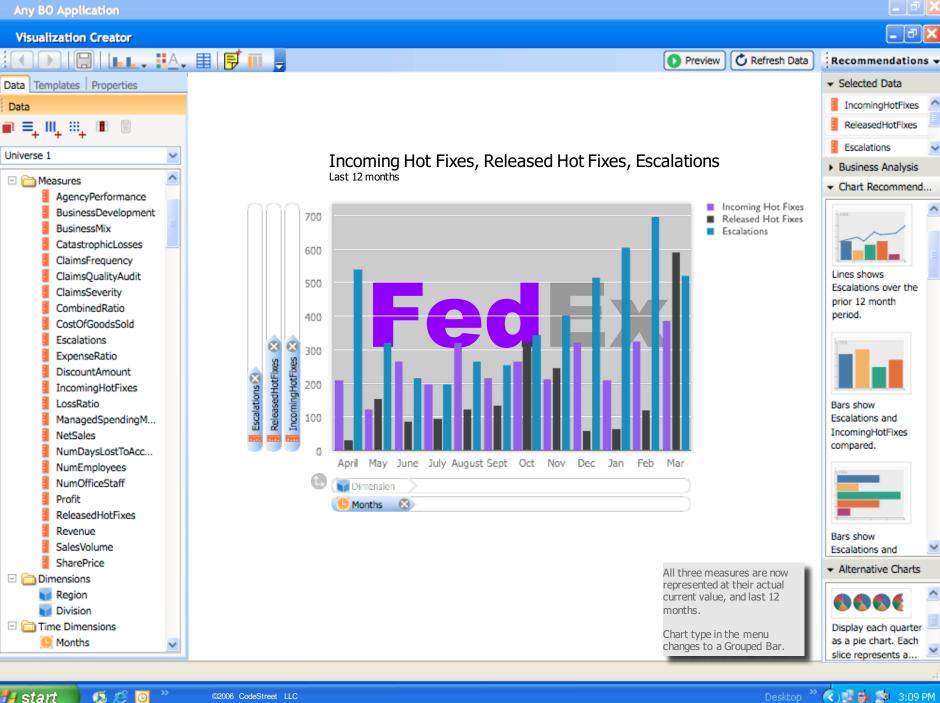




















# Scenario 3: From Data (cont)

There are three methods by which Joanne can create a Bar and Line chart from here. She can:

Change Graph Type
Restack the data elements manually
Use the Recommendations panel

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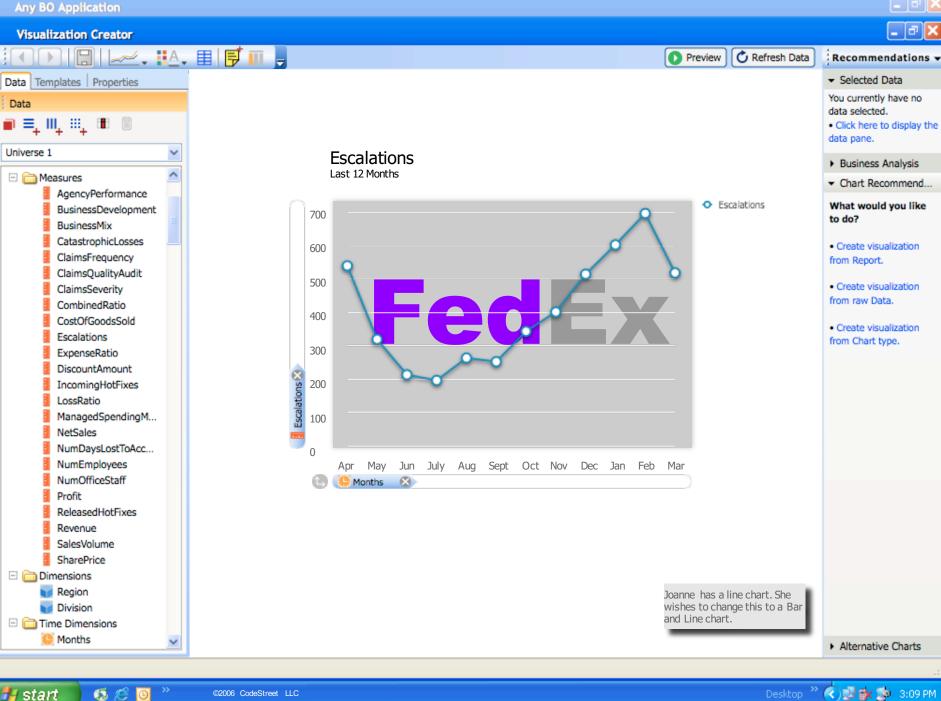
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# **Change Chart Type**

With too few required elements
With too many elements

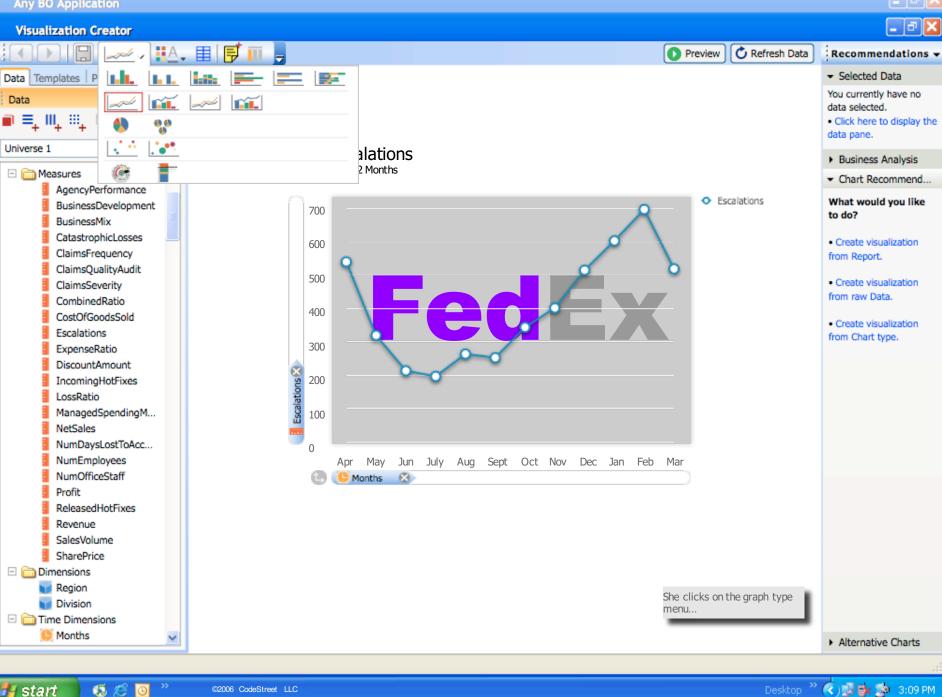
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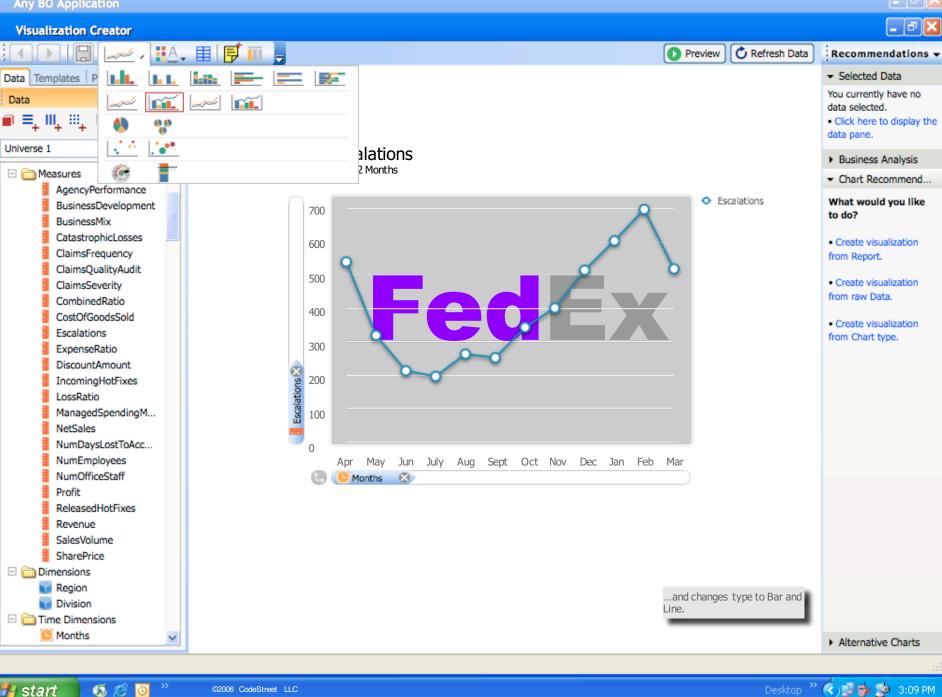








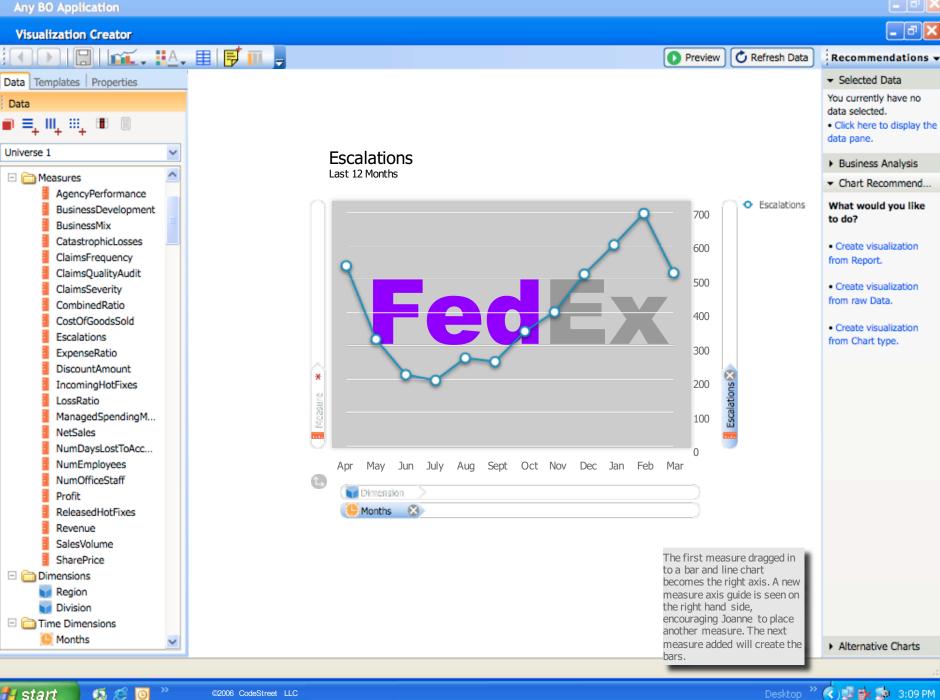


















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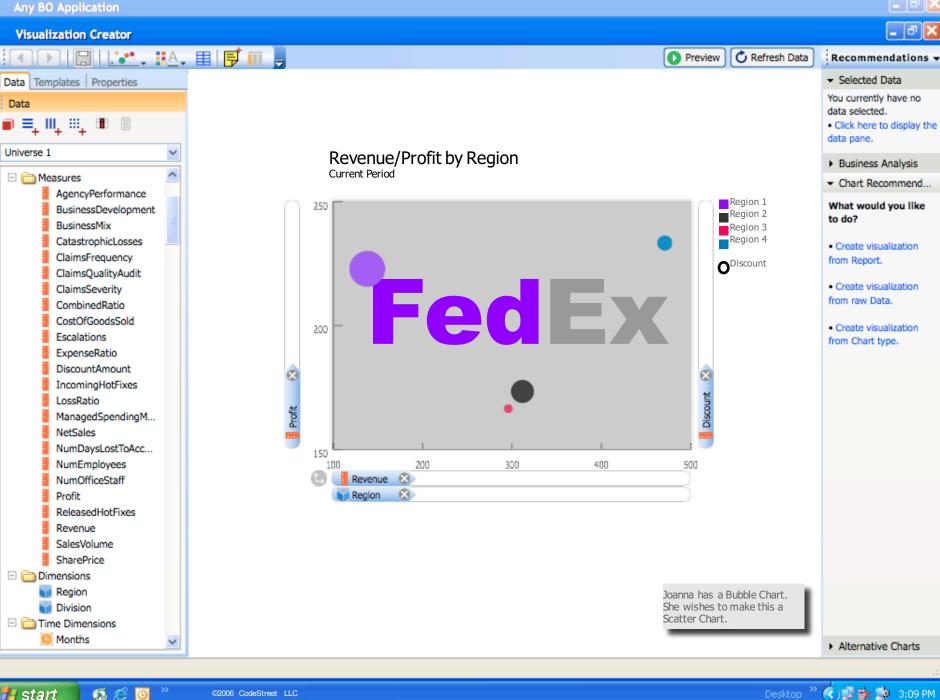
## Too Many Elements:

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All other chart types are cross-compatible.

Removing an element

Not removing an element

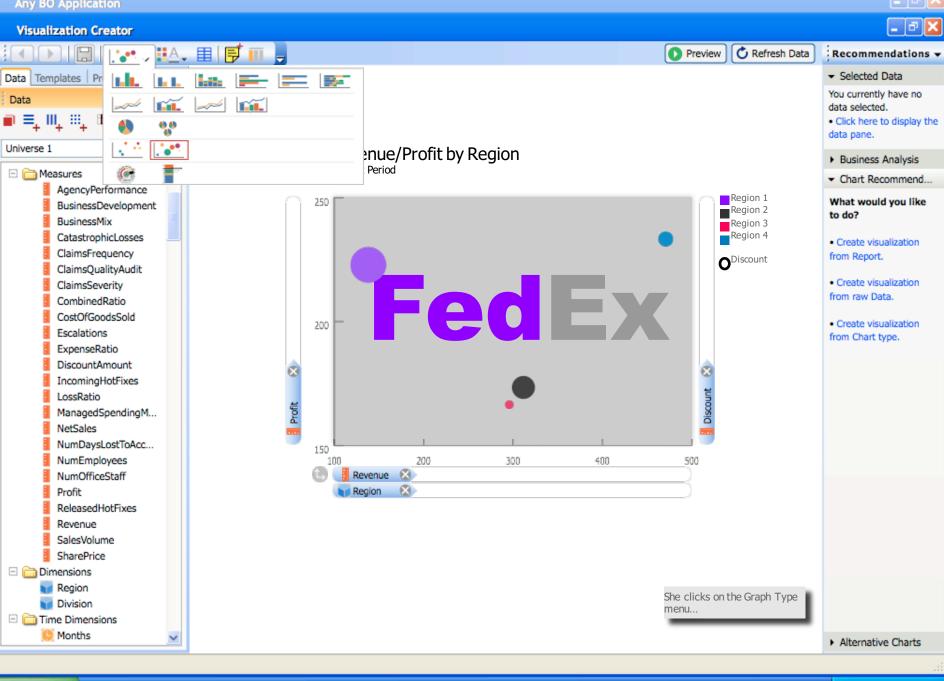








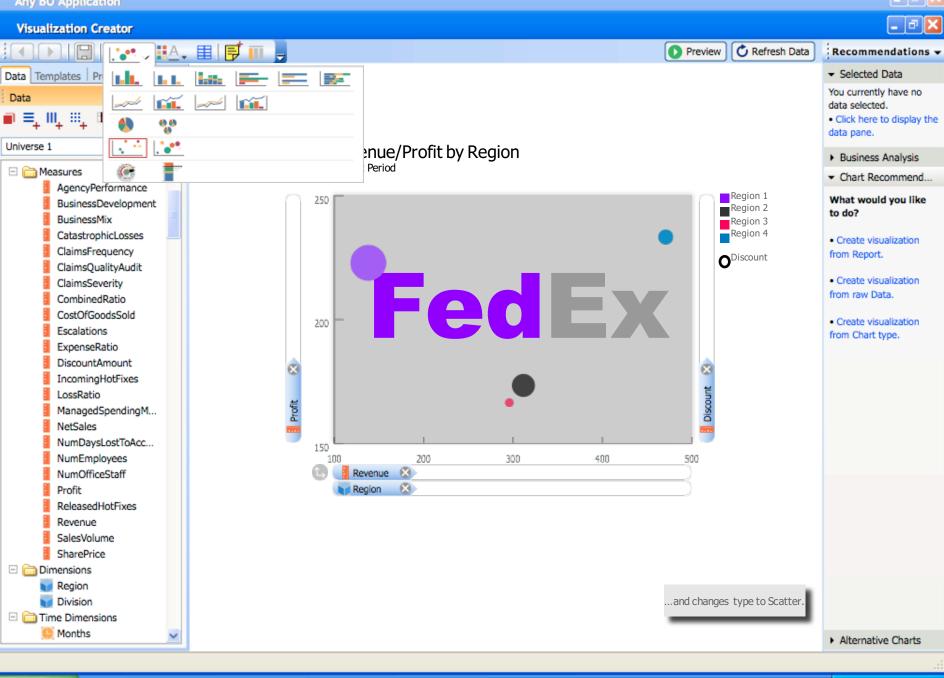








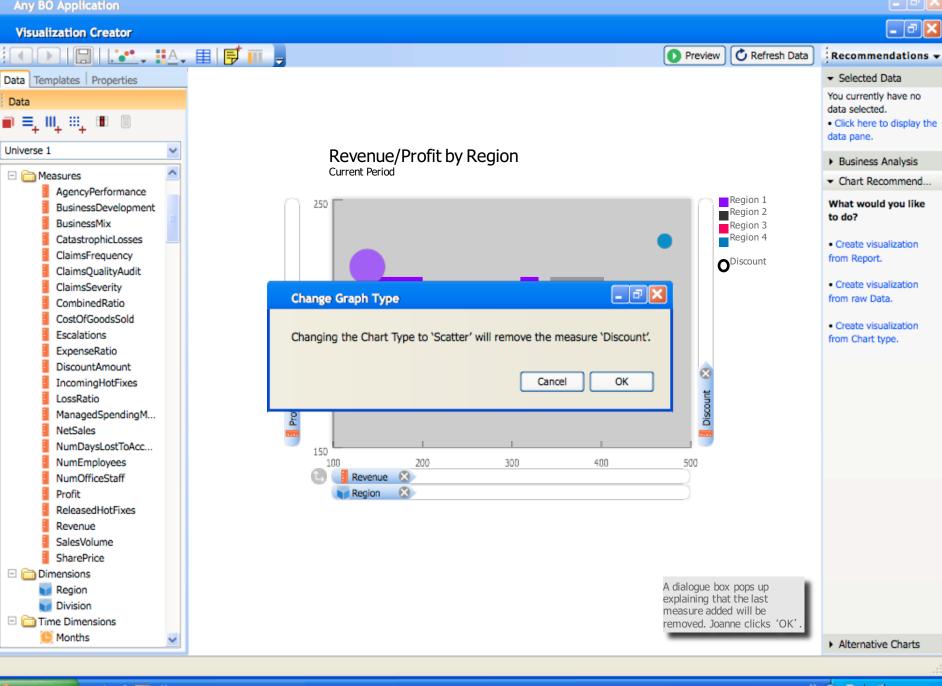








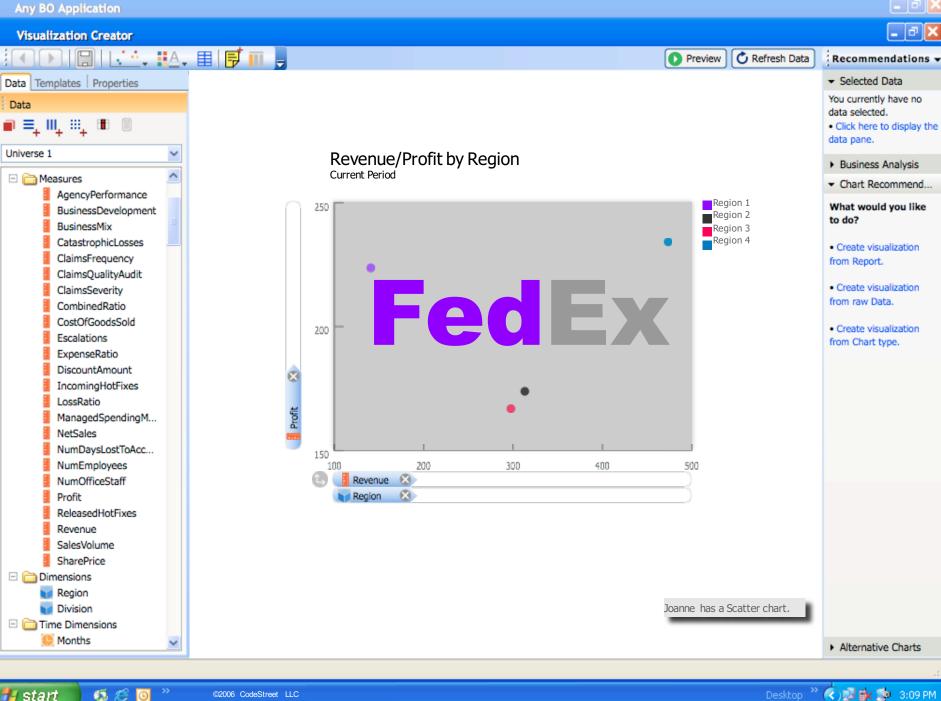


















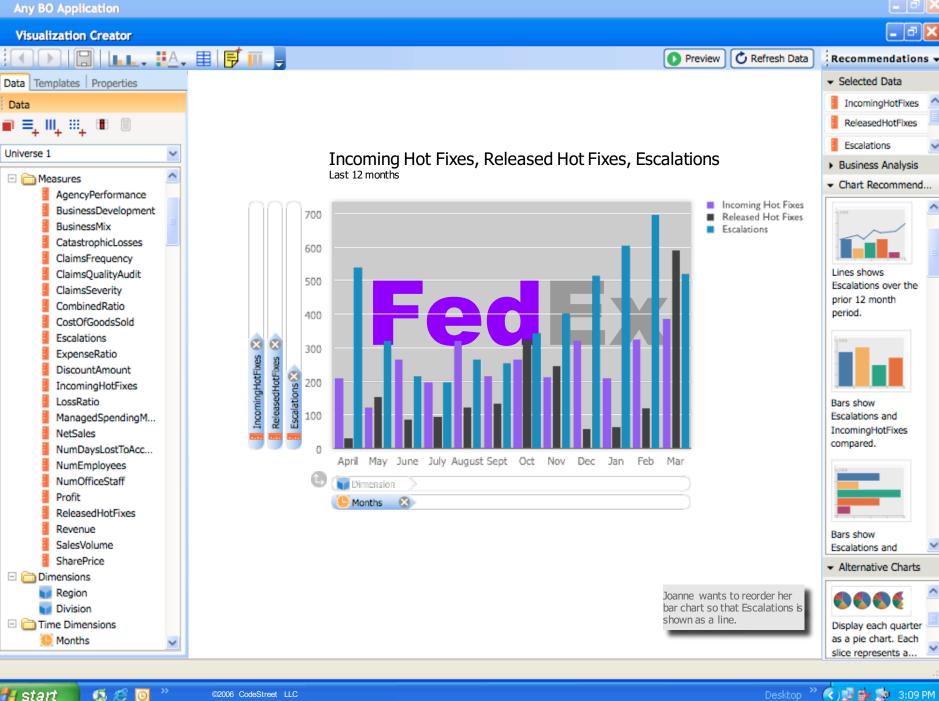
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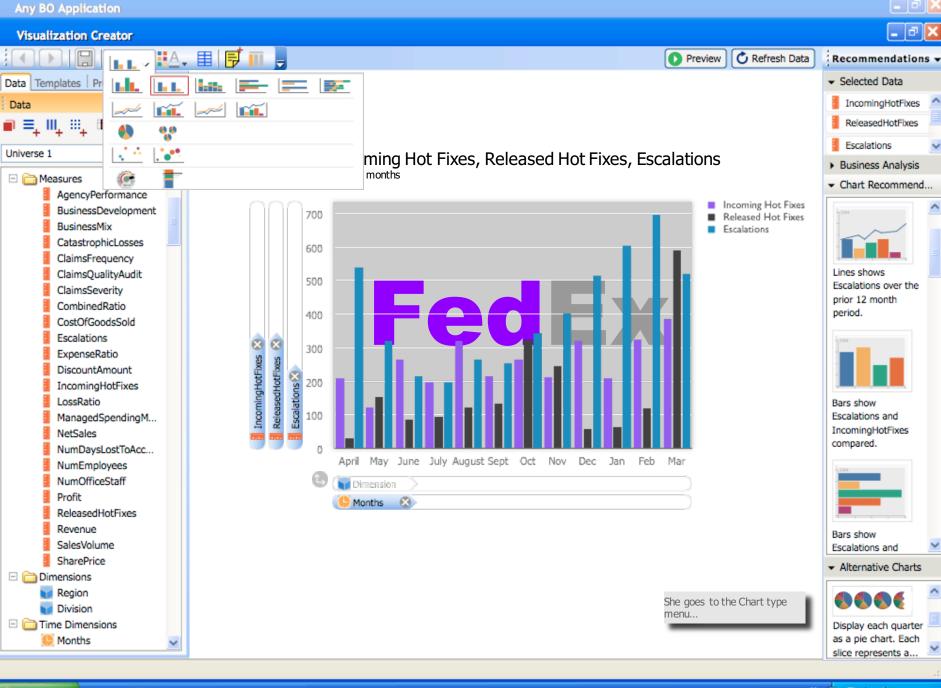
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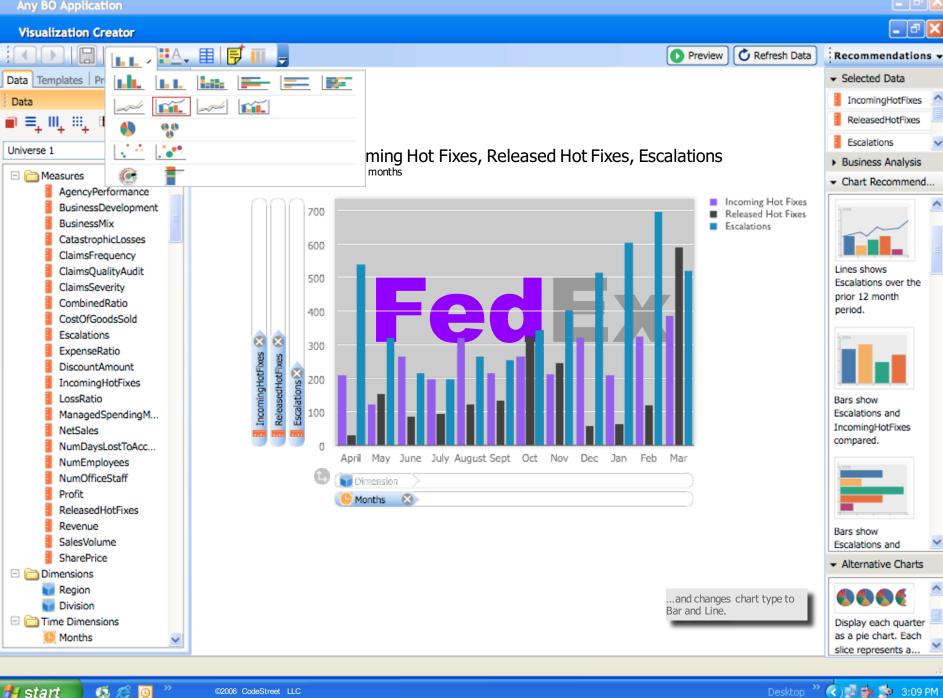








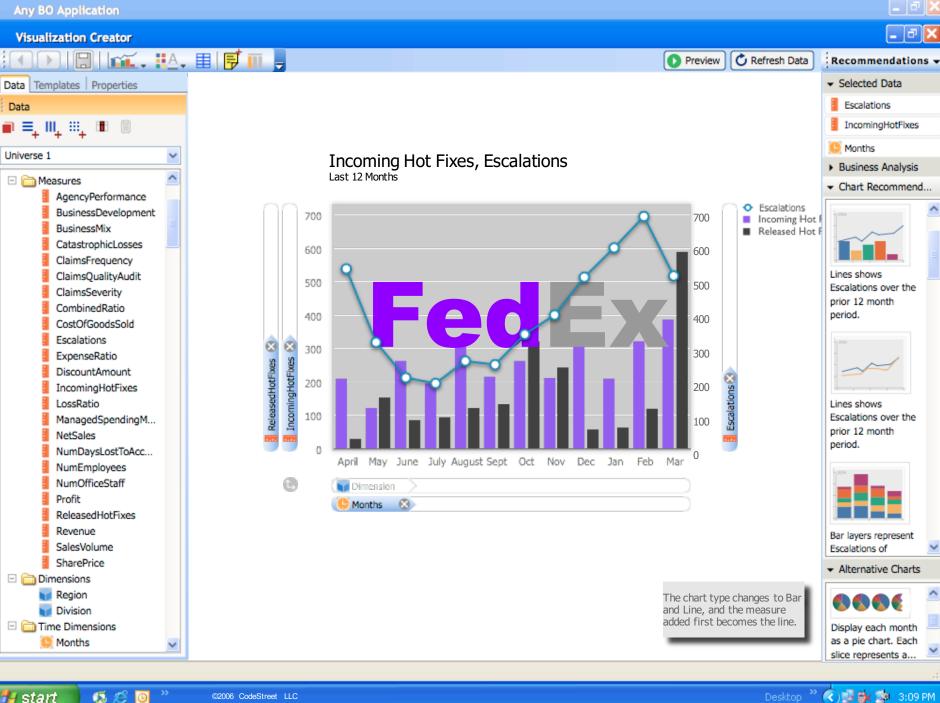


















## **Restack Dimensions**

When restack does not change graph type
When restack changes graph type

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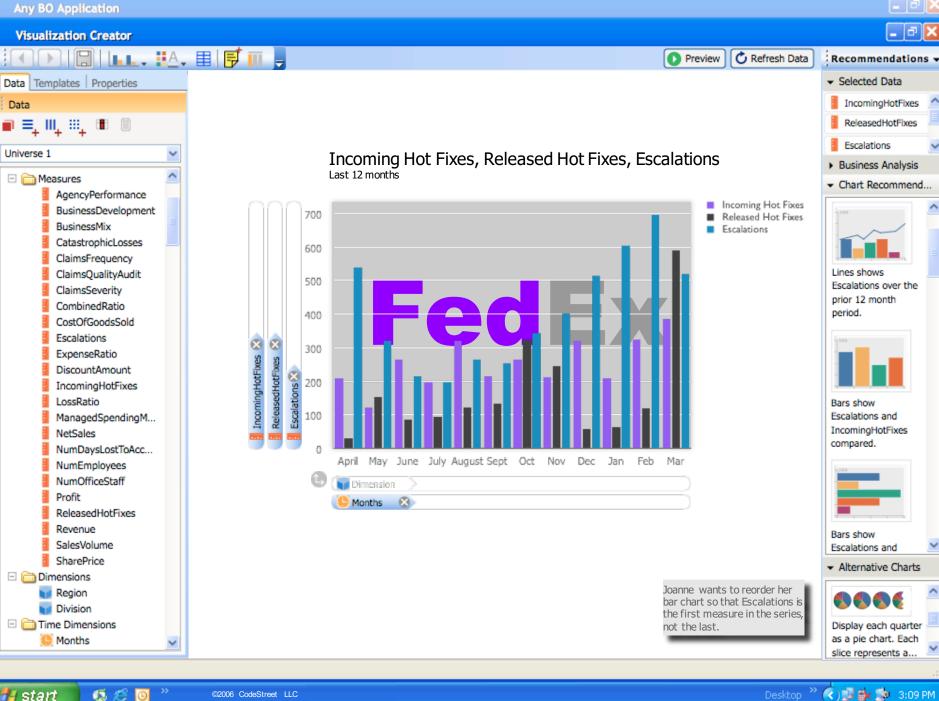
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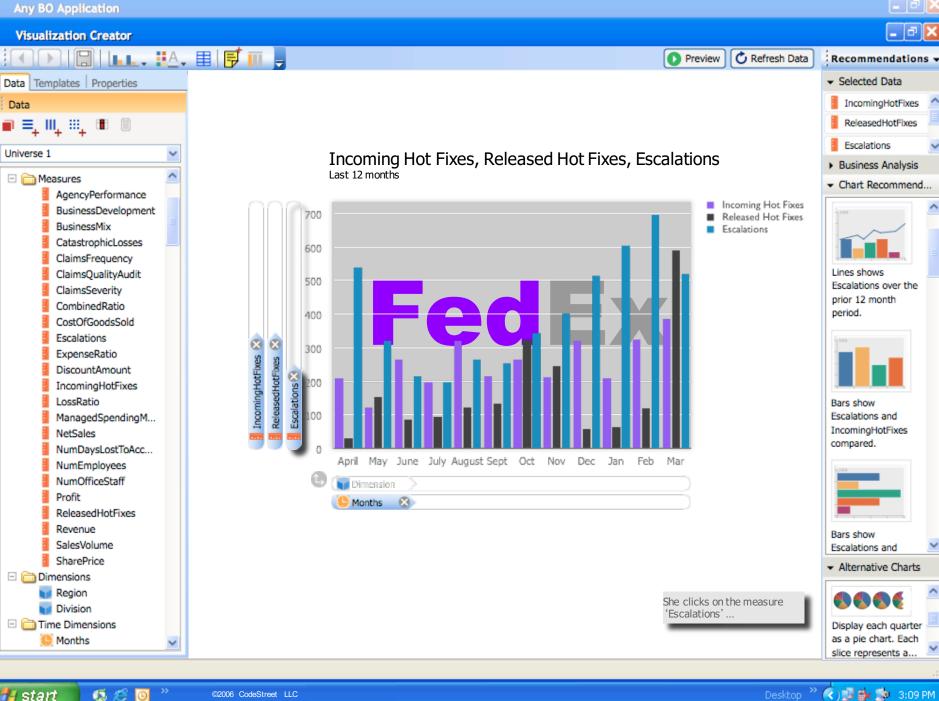
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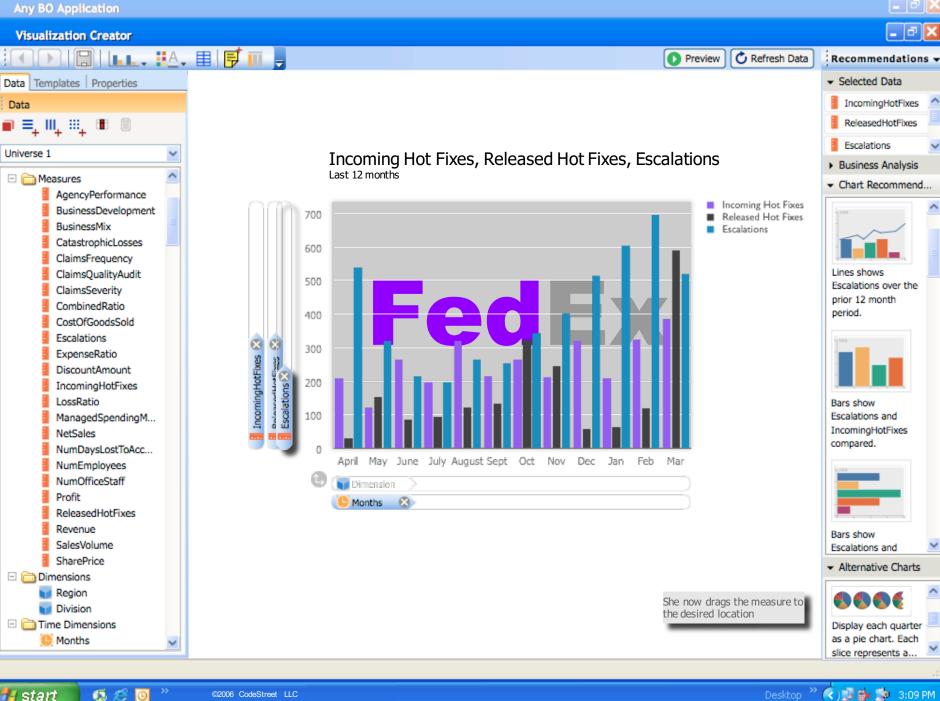








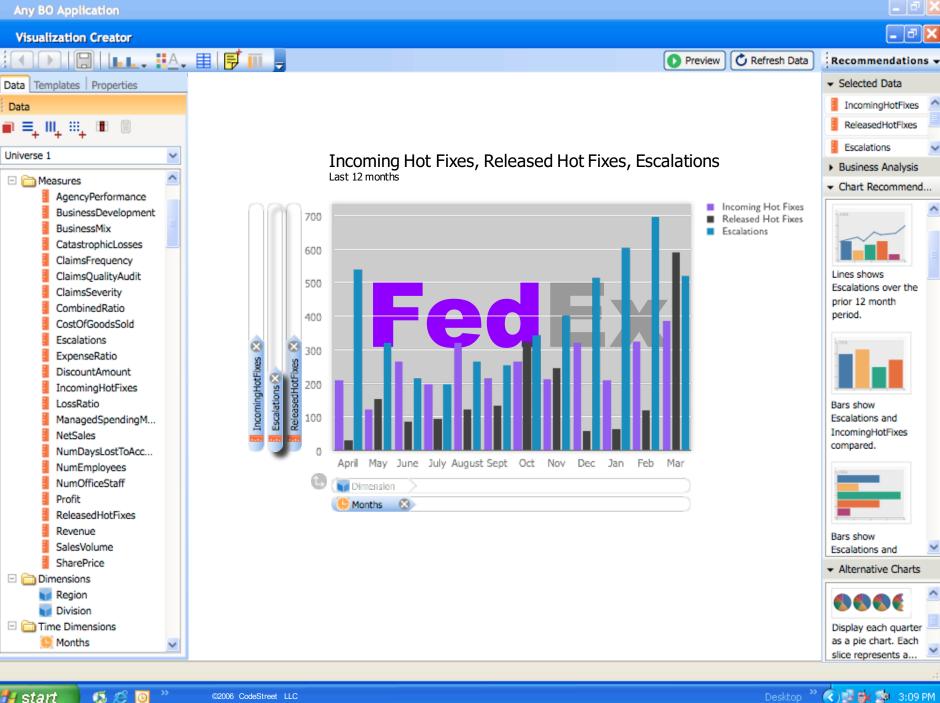








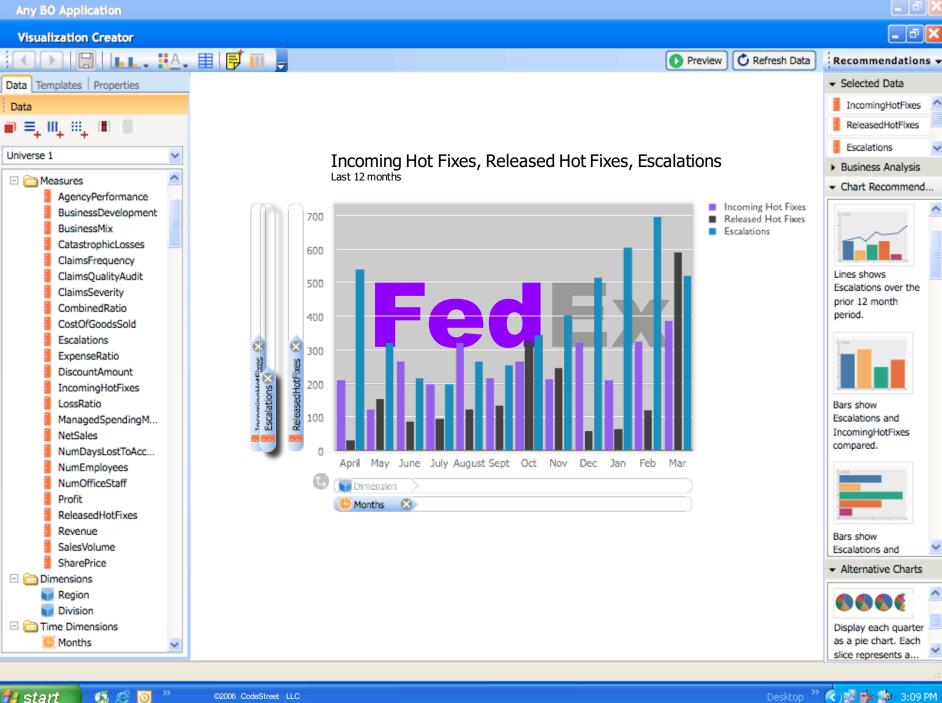








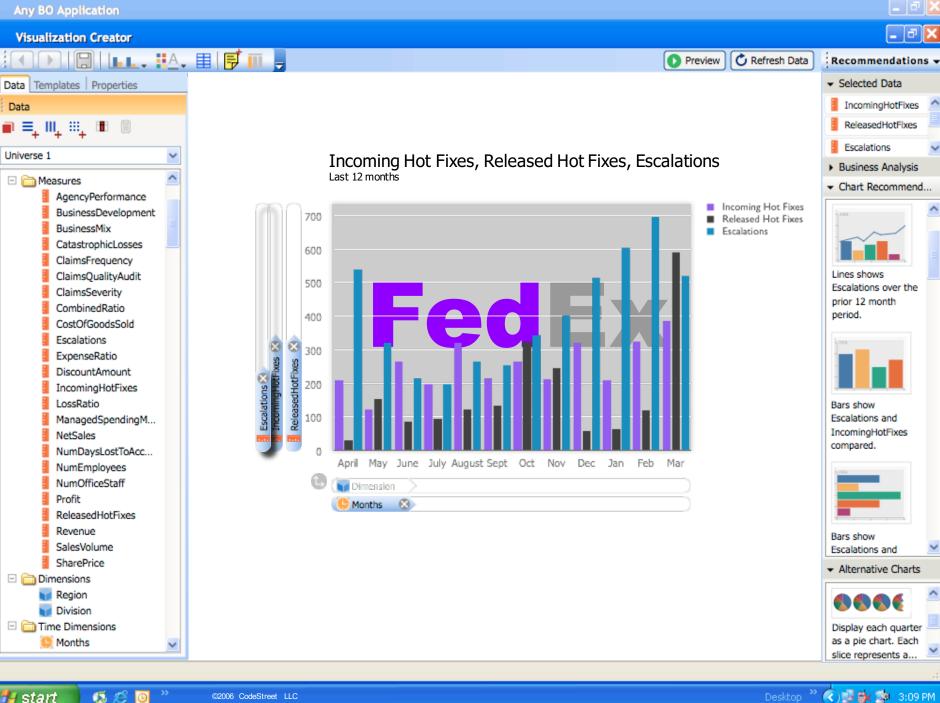








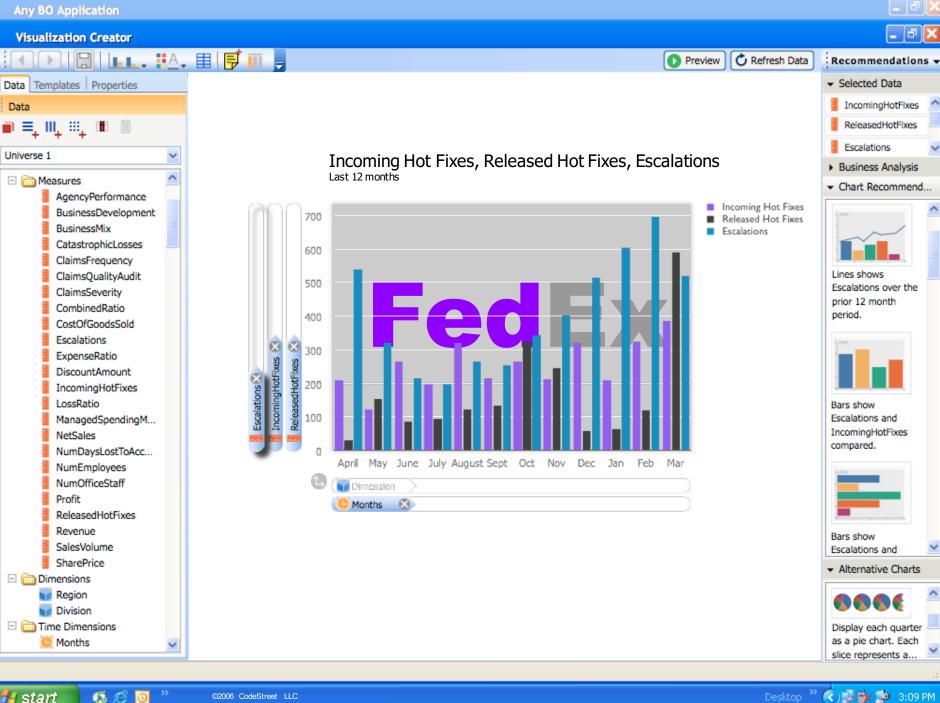








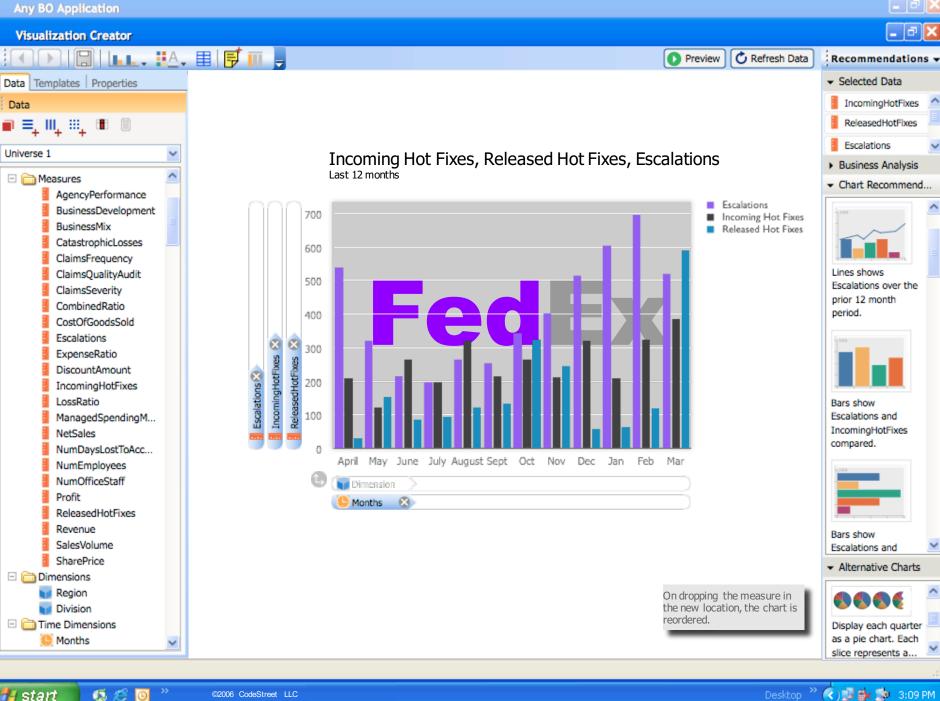
















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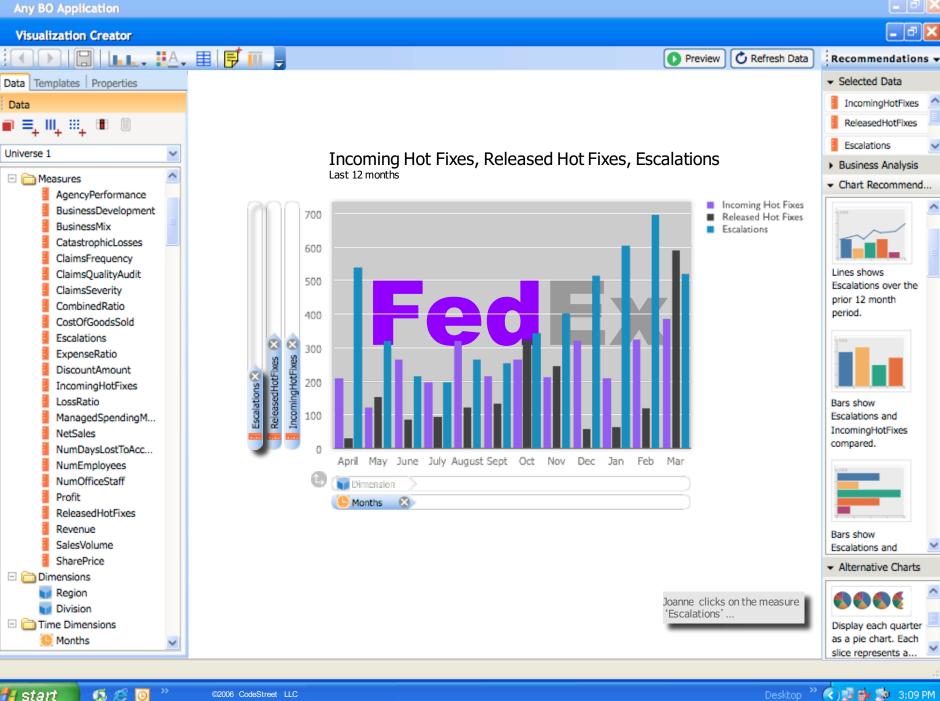
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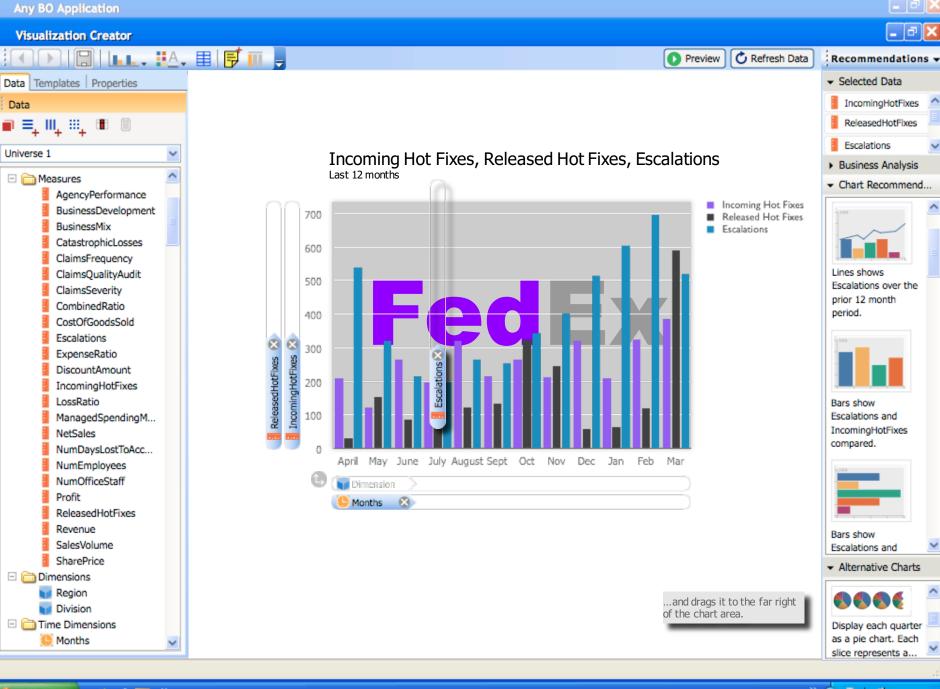
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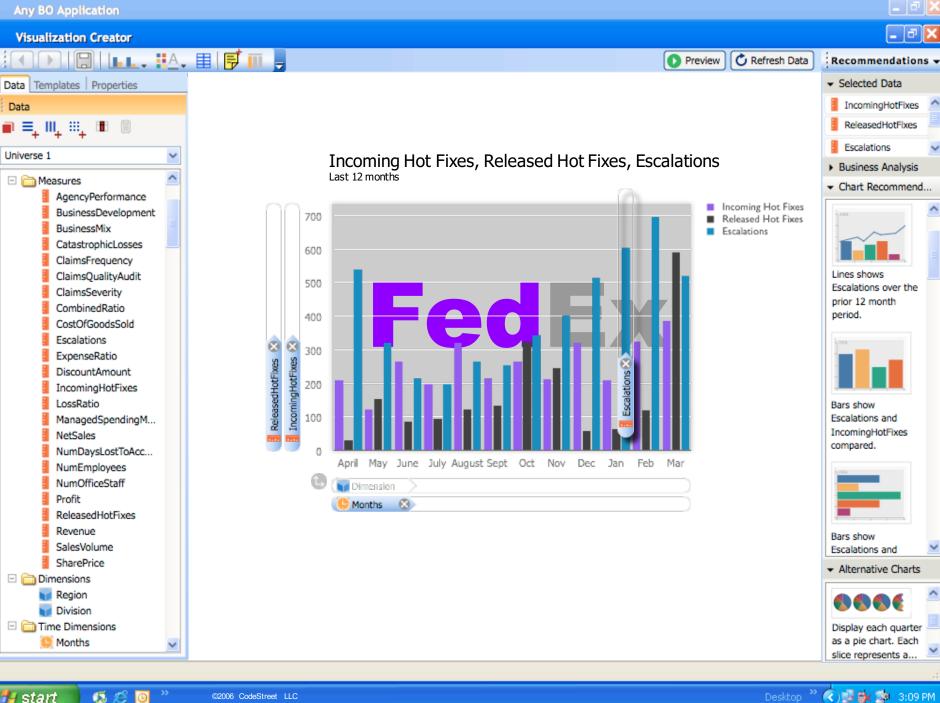








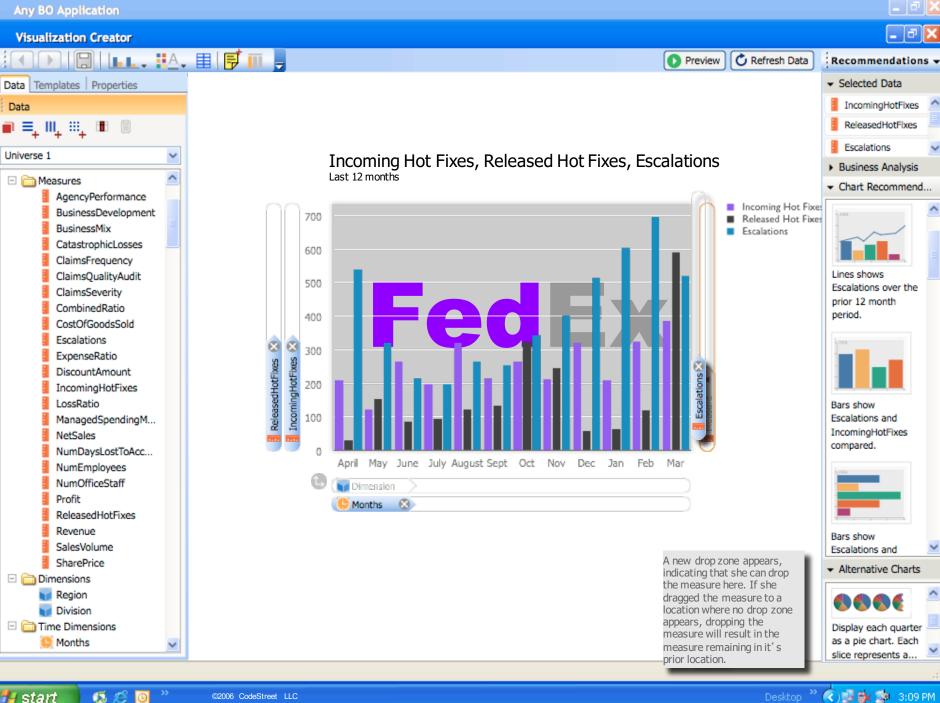










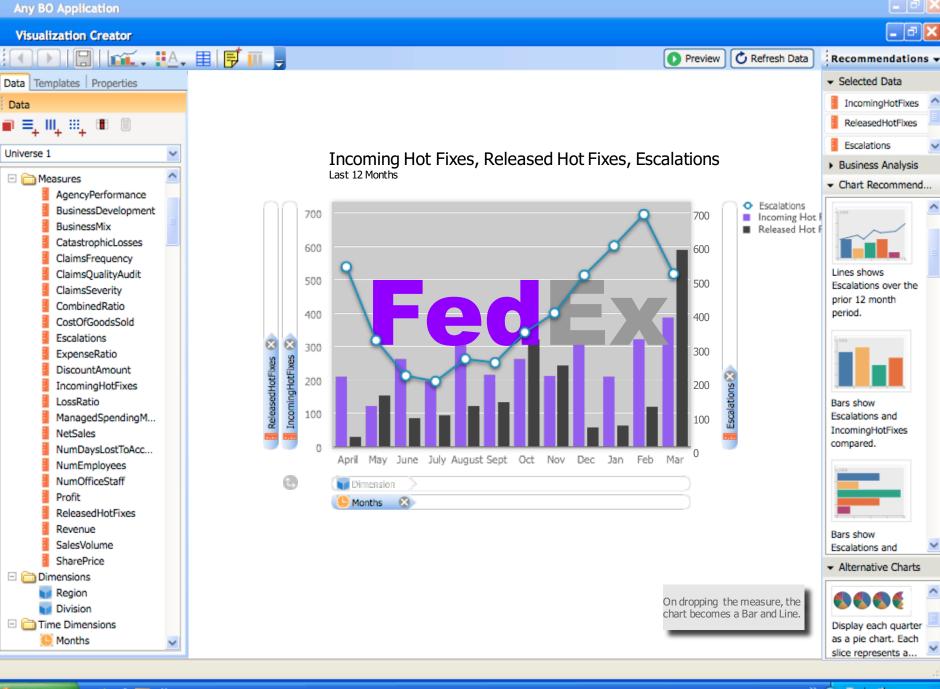


















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# Axis guides

Axis guides are used to imply the orientation and placement of data elements. There are three types of data element:



Within certain layout types, some data elements are 'required', others are optional. Required elements are indicated by a red asterisk:



# Axis guides 2

When a user drags a data element to a drop zone, the active drop zone is highlighted:



When a data element is placed within an axis guide, the measure name is shown and the axis guide is seen as 'filled'. Any 'required' asterisk is removed, and replaced by a 'close' button.



### **Refresh Data button**

In the instance that live data can not be rendered within Visualization Creator, the user will see obvious sample data.

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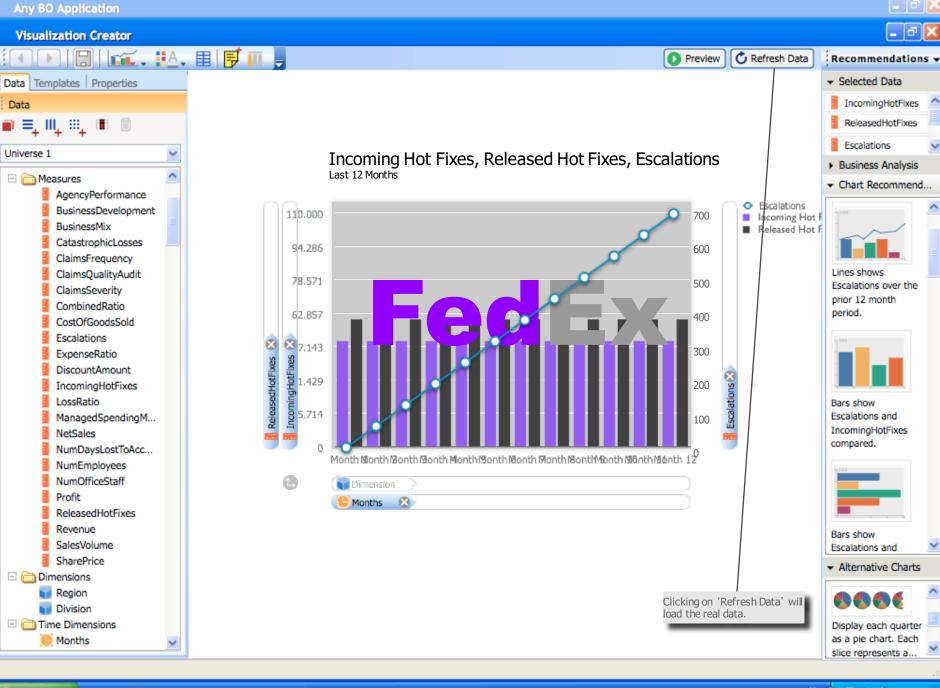
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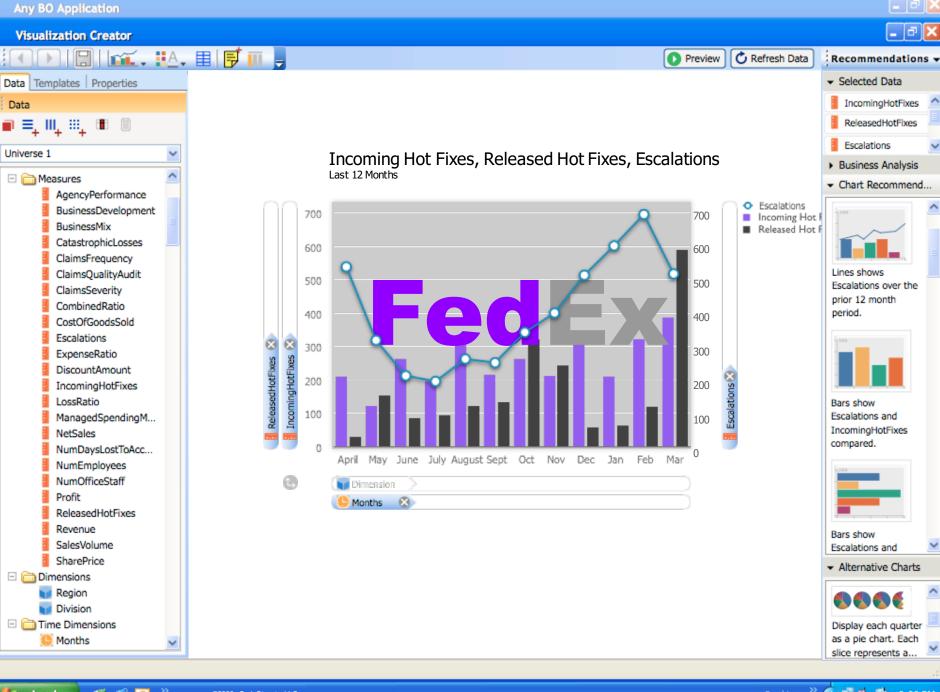


















# **Recommendations panel**

The recommendations panel is designed to assist the user in making the most appropriate choice of chart for the data they are displaying.

It offers appropriate alternative chart types, ranked by order of appropriateness.

It could also house Michael Thompson's 'Smart Viz' component (not shown).

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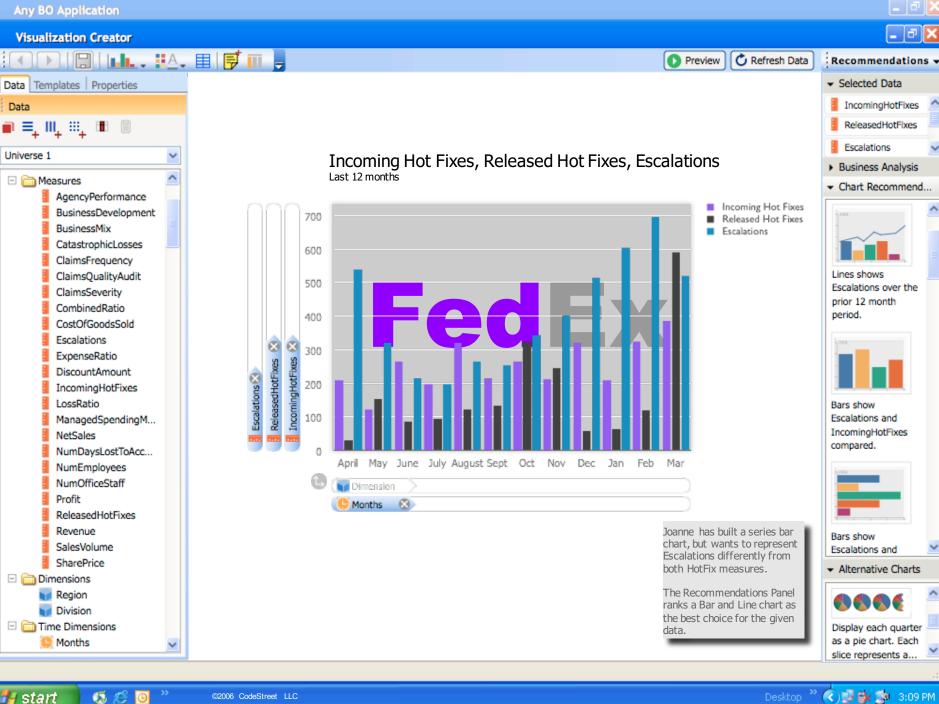
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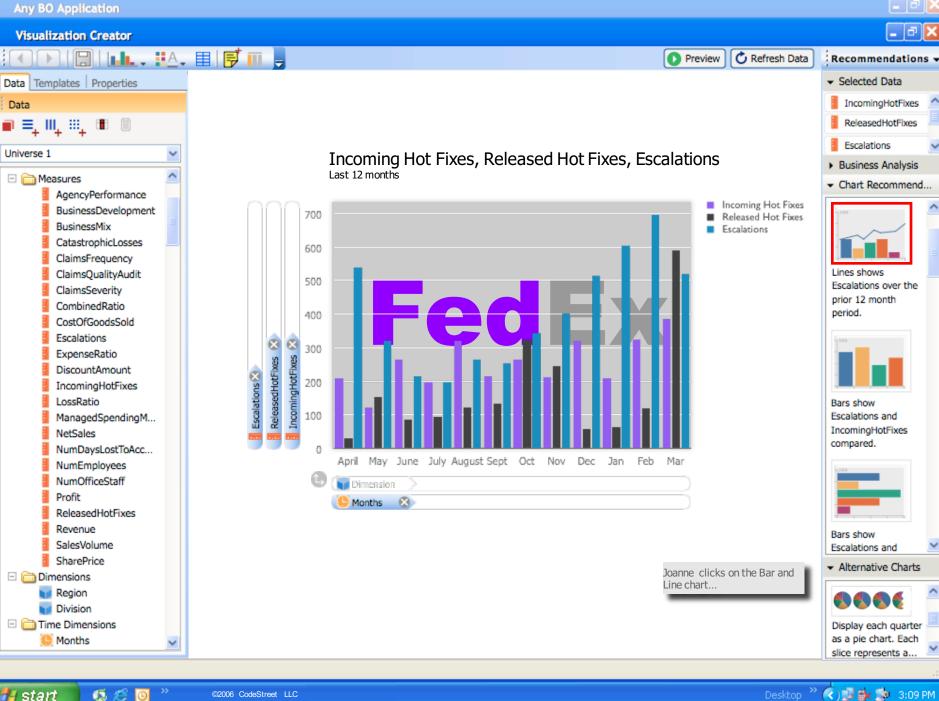
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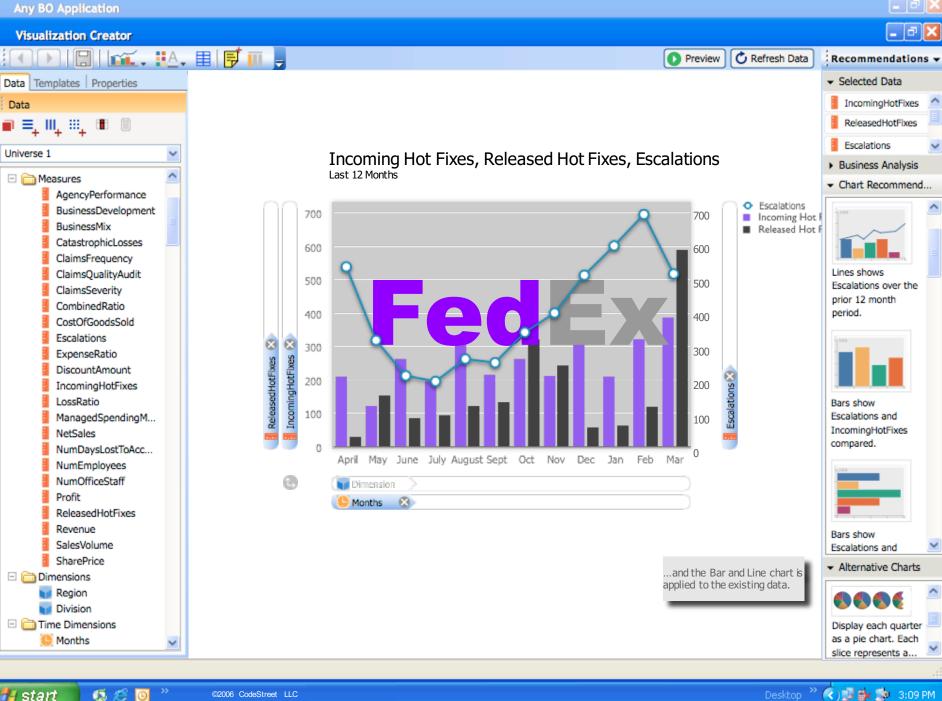




















### **Theme Editor**

Themes are a concept which allows the user to manage every aspect of the visual appearance of a chart.

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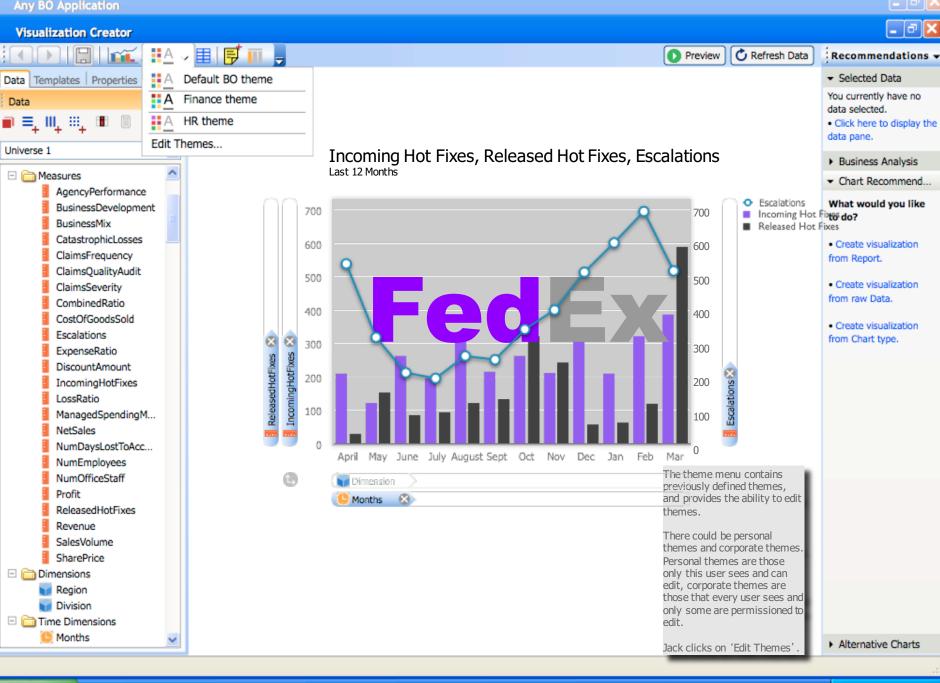
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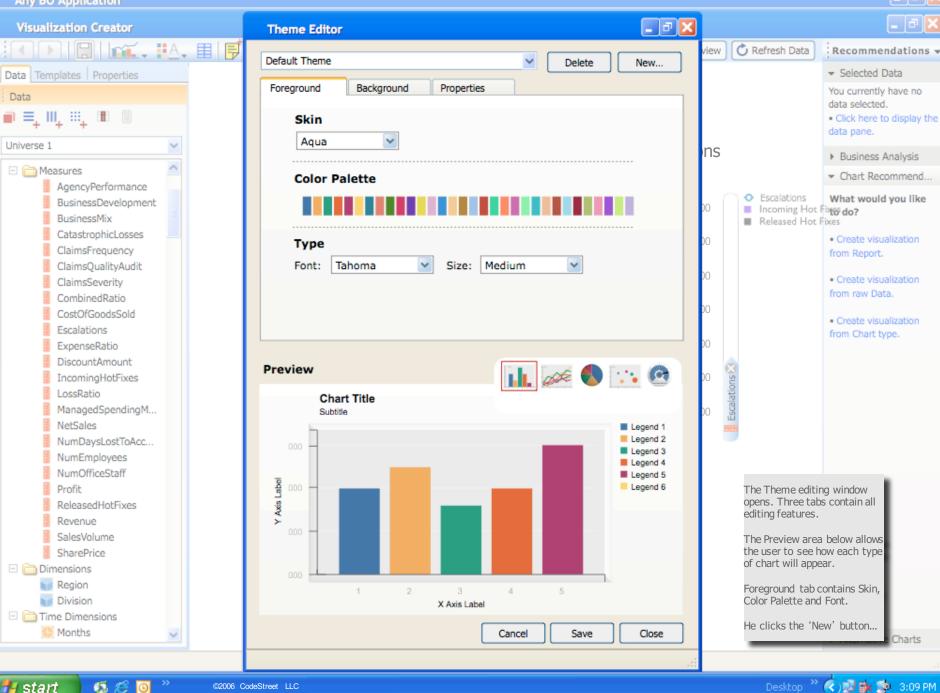








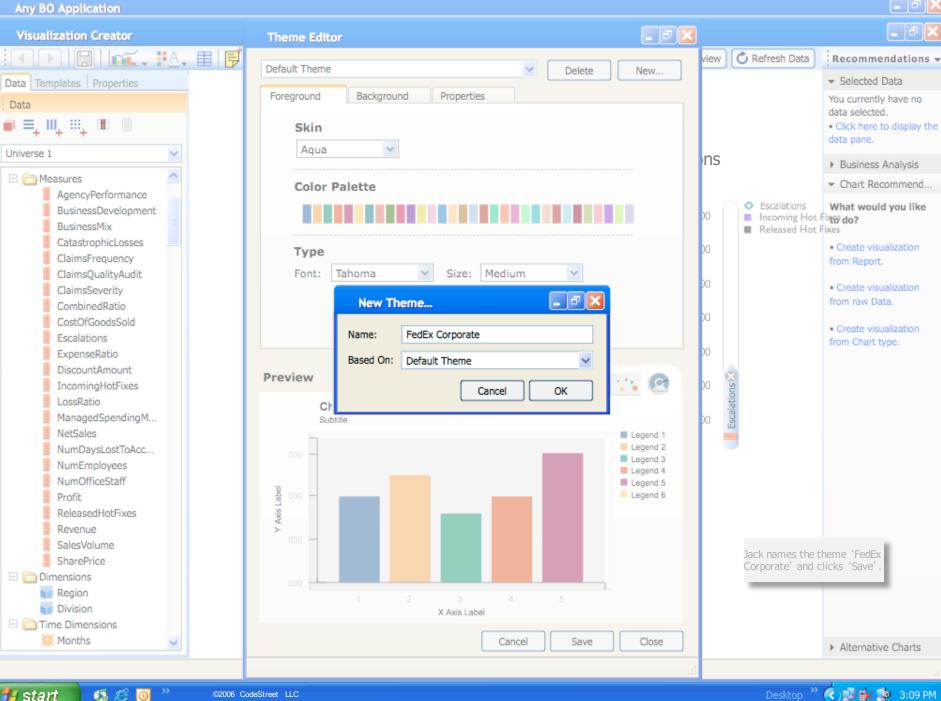
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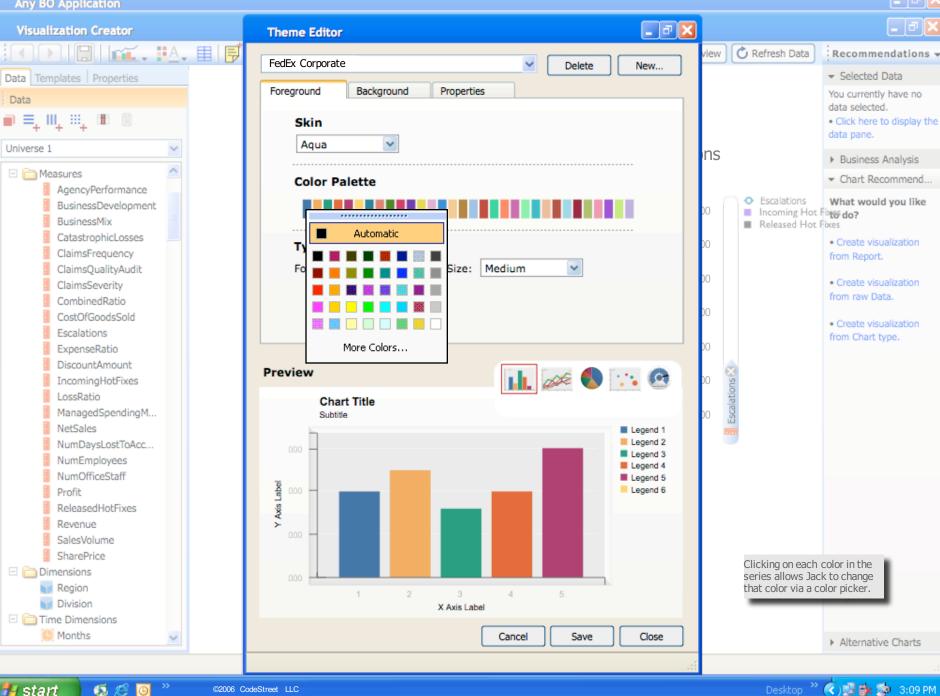










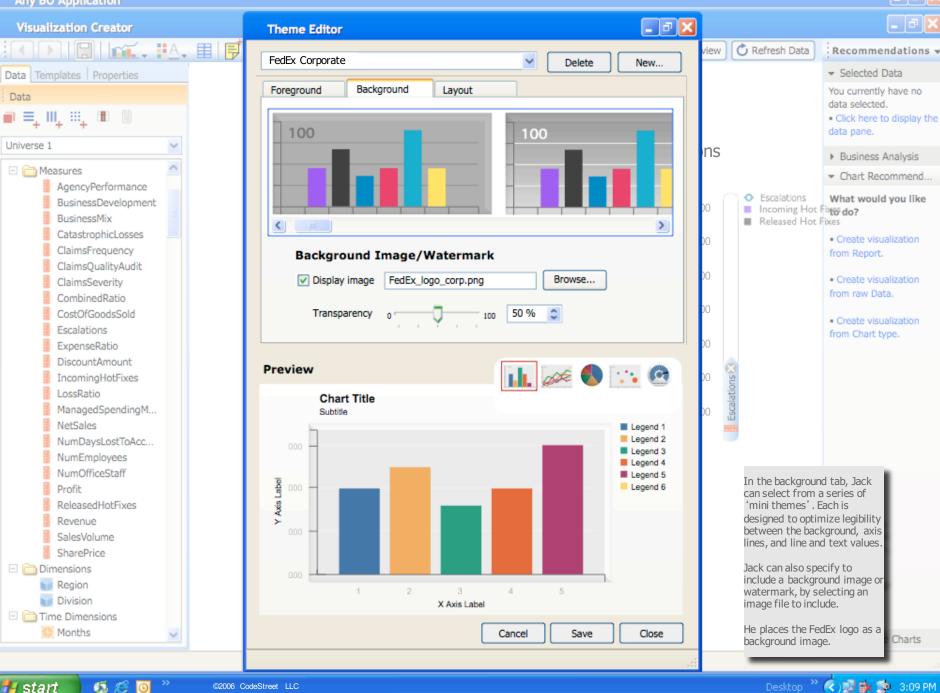






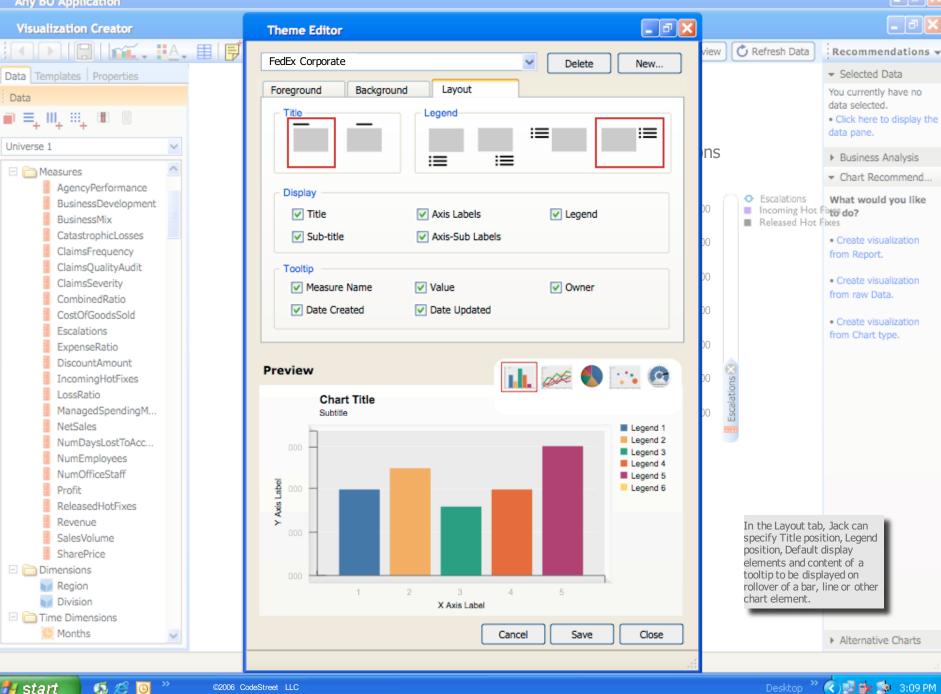










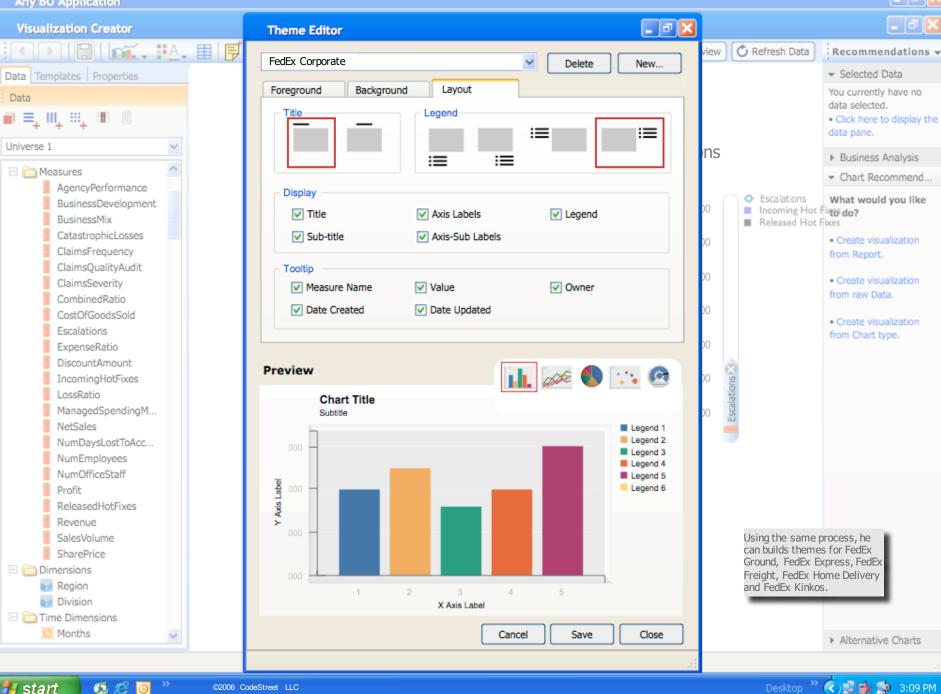


















### **Selection Model**

On click, individual data points can be selected.

Individual bars on a bar chart

Individual data points on a line on a line chart

Individual slices of a pie chart

This enables highlighting in the properties panel. The user can then highlight a specific piece of data.

Demonstrated in file: VizCreationScenarios2.ppt (slide 30)

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- Scenario 2
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#### Other Functions

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### Preview mode vs. Edit mode

In Edit mode, all edit capability is available.

Under the selection model, when in Edit mode, clicking on a bar will select it (see Selection Model).

In Preview mode, all edit capability is removed, and the selection model is changed. Clicking on a bar will drill down.

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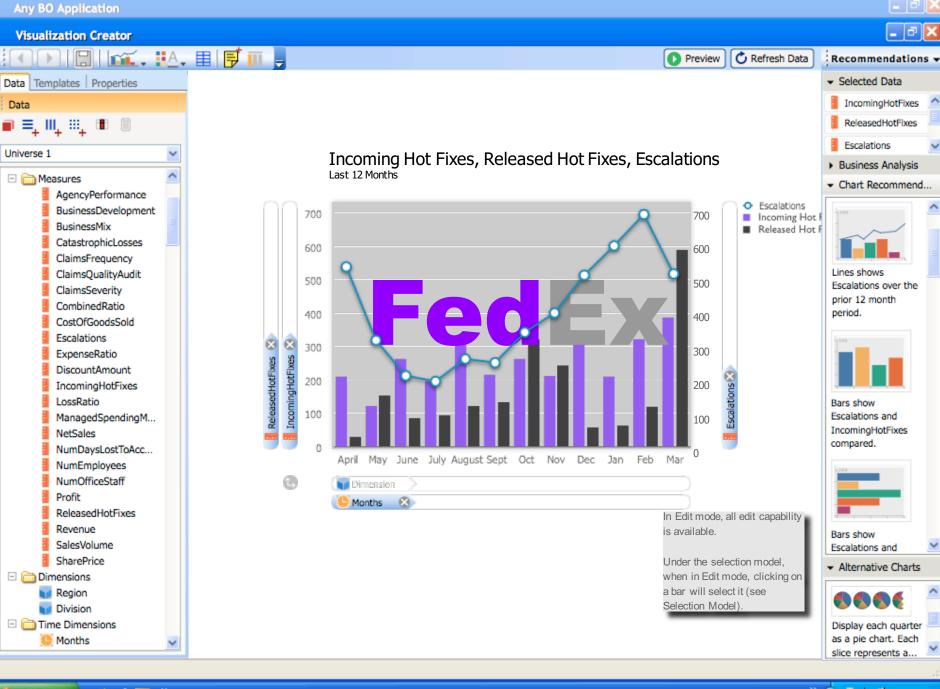
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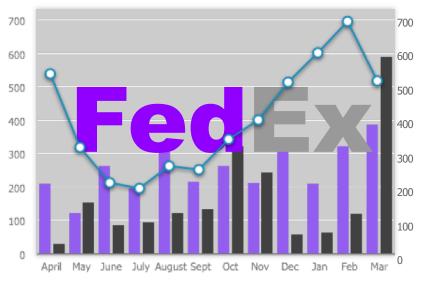


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# Incoming Hot Fixes, Released Hot Fixes, Escalations





Preview pops open a window displaying the interactive chart.

In Preview mode, all edit capability is removed, and the selection model is changed. Clicking on a bar will drill down.









Last 12 Months

# **Option for 2-axis layouts**

An instance was identified where our proposed method of handling a Bar and Line chart was insufficient. We had placed bars on one axis, line on another. However, this affects the users ability to create multi-axis charts.

Here we propose a method whereby, in a multi-type chart such as bar and line, the user can specify the chart type of each data element.

This provides the ability to switch which element defines lines and which defines bars along a single axis.

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