# **Leveraging Analytics**

Follow along at: <a href="http://bit.ly/leveraging-analytics">http://bit.ly/leveraging-analytics</a>

See the code at: <a href="http://bit.ly/leveraging-analytics-code">http://bit.ly/leveraging-analytics-code</a>

#### Key Questions for the Morning

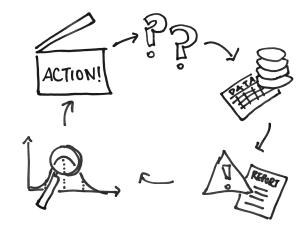
- What is the value of data?

- What is analysis?

- What does it mean to be data-driven?

## The Analytics Value Chain

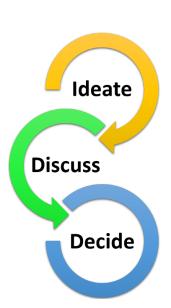
- What are the key steps?



- What are the key things to keep in mind?

#### **Problem Scoping**

- **Ideate**: On your own, generate at least 3 ideas (ideally more), each on their own Post-It Note



- **Discuss:** Review the ideas generated

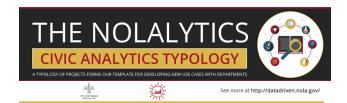
- **Decide:** Come to a consensus as a group

# **Process Mapping Steps**

Outcomes vs Outputs

- Identify the key problem/question

- Identify the desired outcome
- Identify key outputs
- Identify the key inputs (data)
- Identify the key steps to use inputs to achieve the outcome



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Finding the needle in a haystack



Prioritizing work for impact



Early warning tools



Better, quicker decisions



Optimizing resource allocation



Experimenting for what works

#### 4 Concerns to Be Mindful Of

1. Technical

2. Legal

3. Cultural

4. Political

## Key Benefits of Good Analysis

# Key Questions for the Afternoon

- What is open data?

- What are the benefits of open data?

- What are some of the concerns with open data?

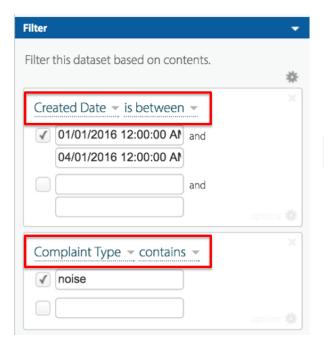
- What is exploratory data analysis? Why is it important?

- What is a data-driven culture?



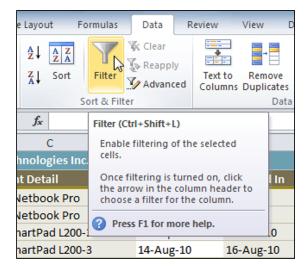
- How do we create it in our organization?

#### **Data Exercise**



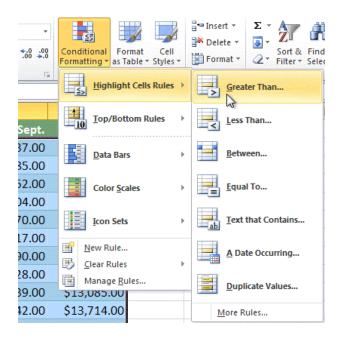


#### **Filtering**

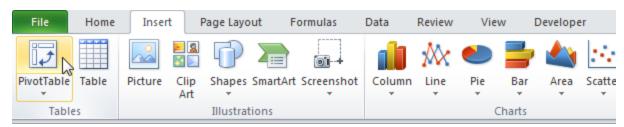


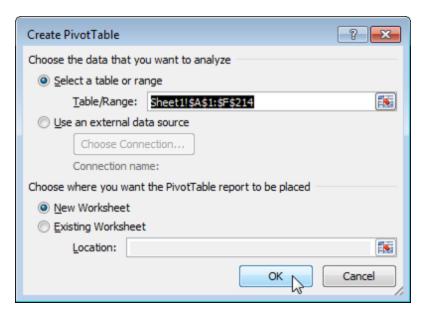


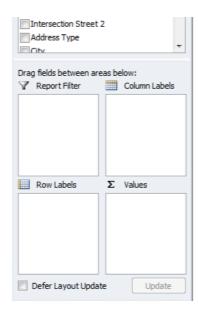
#### **Conditional Formatting**



#### **PivotTables**







#### **Useful Functions in Excel**

**=SUM():** Calculates the sum for a range of numbers

**=COUNT():** Counts the number of cells containing numbers in a range

**=COUNTA():** Counts the number of non-blank cells in a range

**=HOUR():** Extracts the hour from a timestamp

**=WEEKDAY():** Extracts the day of the week from a timestamp

**=CHOOSE():** Uses an index number to return a result from an ordered list of values

#### **Technical Support**

- Microsoft Office Support <a href="http://office.microsoft.com/en-us/support">http://office.microsoft.com/en-us/support</a>
- Excel Tips <a href="http://excel.tips.net">http://excel.tips.net</a>
- Data Science Cheatsheet <a href="https://github.com/govex/Data-Science">https://github.com/govex/Data-Science</a>
- Open Data Handbook <a href="http://opendatahandbook.org">http://opendatahandbook.org</a>

#### Resources

- Data Driven New Orleans https://datadriven.nola.gov
- Harvard Government Performance Lab https://govlab.hks.harvard.edu
- Carl Anderson Creating a Data-Driven Organization
- DJ Patil & Hilary Mason Data Driven: Creating a Data Culture <a href="https://www.oreilly.com/ideas/data-driven">https://www.oreilly.com/ideas/data-driven</a>
- Datapolitan training classes <a href="http://training.datapolitan.com/">http://training.datapolitan.com/</a>

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# **Your Notes**