

BI FOR BUSINESS USERS IDENTIFYING PROCESS THAT ARE READY FOR BI

As a business user you want to find ways to constantly improve your productivity. BI can provide better information for decision making but where do you start?

- It must represent a business critical process problem
- It is important to strategic or tactical operations or planning
- It is being done today (or it isn't business critical)
- It is probably being done using MS Excel and/or MS Access
- It is being done inefficiently
- It is being done inaccurately
- It currently requires a lot of manual intervention
- It currently is difficult to deliver in a timely manner
- There is no time left to improve the process
- The numbers have no way to be validated (no drill down or real supporting detail)
- It is difficult to tie information needed from two or more systems
- There is no way to easily recreate the interim steps used to create the information
- The process is not well-controlled
- The process and dissemination lacks proper security
- It is not well documented
- The process is guided by tribal knowledge
- It contains one or more "versions of the truth" (data is not well defined and may have more than one meaning depending on how, where and when it is used)
- It needs a bottom up approach to solve (Focused solution)
- The current BI reports are really an "excel" farm

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