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Purpose

This document includes important, late-breaking information about this release of Oracle Smart View for Office. Review this Readme thoroughly before installing Smart View.

New Features in Release 25.100

Related Topics

- Use IPM Insights in Smart View
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Use IPM Insights in Smart View

Applies to: Enterprise Profitability and Cost Management, FreeForm, Planning, Tax Reporting

You can now insert and use Intelligent Performance Management (IPM) Insights in Oracle Smart View for Office.

IPM Insights analyzes past data and predicted data, helping you find patterns and insights into data that you might not have found on your own. With IPM Insights, you can reduce time spent in data analysis, improve forecast accuracy, detect trends early, and minimize biases, thus encouraging informed decision making.

IPM Insights provides the following types of insights:

- Forecast variance and bias: This insight reveals hidden bias in forecasts submitted by planners by analyzing historical data. For example, Actual Electronic Sales are 24.15% higher than forecast.
- Prediction: This insight uncovers significant deviations in forecasts compared to predicted values. For example, Predicted Utility Expenses are 20.06% lower than forecast.
- Anomaly: This insight detects outliers and unusual patterns in data that deviate from expected results. For example, Actual Manufacturing Expenses are 44% higher in Jun FY23.

Service Administrators configure and schedule IPM Insights to define what users view on the Insights dashboard in their Planning web application. You can now view the same insights in Smart View and insert them in the Microsoft Office applications of Excel, Word, and PowerPoint. To view and insert insights, right-click the application name in the Smart View Home Panel and click **IPM Insights**. You can also click **More** in the Action panel and then click **IPM Insights**. The **IPM Insights** dialog displays all the available insights generated in the application.

You can use IPM Insights in Smart View in the following ways:

- View available insights: You can view the list of available insights in the IPM Insights dialog, along with their details such as impact percentage and value, insight statement, POV, insight type (anomaly, prediction, and forecast variance and bias), priority, and status.
- Insert insights: You can select an insight and click Insert in the IPM Insights
 dialog to insert the insight in an Excel sheet, a Word document, and a PowerPoint
 slide as follows:

- Excel: Insert insights as a chart along with the insight statement and the data table associated with the insight. The chart shows a brief description of the insight at the top, and the insight type and POV on the axis.
 For Prediction type of insight, you can also update forecast values in the data table for writable POVs and submit the changed values, just like the Update Forecast command available in the web application.
- Word: Insert insights as a chart along with the insight description. The chart shows a brief description of the insight at the top, and the insight type and POV on the axis.
- PowerPoint: Insert insights as a chart along with the insight description. The chart shows a brief description of the insight at the top, and the insight type and POV on the axis.
- Insert function: This action is available only in Excel. You can insert function to
 extract and display only the details related to the insight such as insight statement,
 insight type, POV, impact percentage and value, priority, anomaly point, and bias
 in the sheet. You can select an insight and click Insert Function in the IPM
 Insights dialog.
- Analyze: This action is available only in Excel. You can select an insight and click
 Analyze to insert only the data table associated with the insight in the ad hoc
 analysis mode. You can then perform ad hoc operations like Zoom In, Zoom Out,
 Keep Only, Remove Only, Pivot, and so on using the provider ad hoc ribbon.
- Save and refresh inserted insights: You can save the Excel sheet, Word document, or PowerPoint slide in which you have inserted insights and refresh the insights by clicking **Refresh** in the Smart View ribbon to get the latest data.
 - Excel: The active sheet is refreshed. To refresh multiple sheets with insights at the same time, click Refresh All Worksheets.
 - Word: The document is refreshed for all inserted insights.
 - PowerPoint: The active slide is refreshed. To refresh insights on other slides, open each slide and click Refresh.
- View metadata in Sheet Information: This action is available only in Excel. After
 you insert an insight or a function in a sheet, you can click Sheet Info in the Smart
 View ribbon to view metadata and other details in the Sheet Information dialog.
 For each insight, the IPM Insight section displays the insight ID, data source URL,
 application name, plan type, insight statement, type, POV, creation time, status,
 and impact percentage and value.

For more information, see the following topics:

- <u>Using IPM Insights in Smart View</u> in Oracle Smart View for Office User's Guide
- **Planning**: Configuring IPM in Administering Planning and Using IPM Insights to Inform Your Decision-Making in Working with Planning
- FreeForm: Configuring IPM Insights in Administering FreeForm and Using IPM Insights to Inform Your Decision-Making in Working with FreeForm
- Enterprise Profitability and Cost Management: Configuring IPM Insights and Using IPM Insights to Inform Your Decision-Making in Administering and Working with Enterprise Profitability and Cost Management

• Tax Reporting: Configuring IPM Insights in Administering Tax Reporting and Using IPM Insights to Inform Your Decision-Making in Working with Tax Reporting

Set Default POV for Private and Named Connections

Applies to: Enterprise Profitability and Cost Management, Financial Consolidation and Close, FreeForm, Planning, Tax Reporting, Oracle Essbase

You can now set a default POV in ad hoc grids for private connections and named connections. This way, whenever you connect to the specific connection and open an ad hoc grid, it displays data for the default POV that you have set.

To set the default POV, first select the desired POV values in the grid as per your requirement and refresh the grid. Then, open the **POV Manager** dialog by clicking **Manage POV** under **Functions** in the Smart View ribbon. Click the **Set Active POV** as **Default** button. The default POV appears in the **POV Manager** dialog. Now, if you close the sheet and reopen it using the same connection, the POVs you set appear by default when you place an ad hoc grid on the sheet.

(i) Note

- The default POV is retained only for private connections and named connections that have been assigned a friendly name.
- If you are using a shared connection or a temporary connection, then the
 default POV is retained only for the active session. If you close and
 reopen the sheet and connect to the same shared or temporary
 connection, the ad hoc grid does not appear with the default POV.
- The default POV is applicable only for Standard mode ad hoc grids.

For more information, see <u>Setting Default POV for Private and Named Connections</u> in *Oracle Smart View for Office User's Guide*.

Enhancements in Inserted Reports

Applies to: Enterprise Profitability and Cost Management, Financial Consolidation and Close, FreeForm, Narrative Reporting, Planning, Tax Reporting; Oracle Essbase for Cloud; Profitability and Cost Management, Oracle Fusion ERP

The following enhancements have been introduced for inserted reports.

Insert Same Report Multiple Times

You can now insert the same report multiple times in the same workbook. Each report gets inserted on a separate sheet within the workbook.

Earlier, inserting the same report again in the same workbook was not allowed. Now, you can insert the same report multiple times by changing the report's prompt and POV combinations. This is useful when you want to present the same report for

differing POV selections, such as time periods, scenarios, entities, or products in the same workbook.

For example, you want to present the expense information from a report for Manufacturing, Marketing, and Sales Departments for FY24. While inserting the expense report, select *Manufacturing* as the Entity in the **Select POV** dialog. Once the report is inserted, you select the same report again from the Smart View Home Panel and click **Insert Formatted Report**. This time, in the **Select POV** dialog, select *Marketing* as the Entity. This second report gets inserted in a new sheet within the same workbook. Similarly, repeat the same process to insert the same report a third time by selecting *Sales* as the Entity in the **Select POV** dialog. This way, you can get the same expense report with information about three departments on different sheets within the same workbook.

You can save this workbook, and refresh it the next time you want to work on it.

For more information, see <u>Importing or Inserting</u>, and <u>Working with Fully Formatted Reports</u> in the *Oracle Smart View for Office User's Guide*.

Refresh All Reports At Once

A new menu item, **Refresh All Reports**, has been introduced in the Smart View ribbon, under the **Reports** group. Using **Refresh All Reports**, you can refresh information in all inserted reports present in a workbook in a single click.

Earlier, you could refresh only one report at a time. But now, with the new **Refresh All Reports** menu item, refreshing all inserted reports at once is possible. You can still use the **Refresh Report** menu item to refresh a specific report, if you do not wish to refresh the entire workbook.

(i) Note

- If you do not change the prompt and POV, and insert the report again with
 the same prompt and POV combination, then Smart View allows you to
 insert the report. However, when you try to refresh it, only the last inserted
 report is refreshed. The initially inserted report with the same prompt and
 POV combination is not refreshed.
- The Refresh All Reports menu item appears disabled in the Smart View ribbon for imported reports, since these are standalone reports and are always imported in new workbooks.

For more information, see <u>Refreshing Reports</u> in the *Oracle Smart View for Office User's Guide*.

Constants Added to HypGetOption / HypSetOption VBA Functions

The following option constants are added to the VBA functions, HypGetOption and and HypSetOption:

- HSV_USE_EXCEL_INDENTATION—Preserves native Excel formatting used for indentation in ad hoc grids.
- HSV_SHOW_DISTINCT_PAGE_MEMBERNAME—Displays distinct page member names or fully qualified names, instead of descriptions, in the Page list for forms.
- HSV_FREEZE_ROWCOL_HEADERS—Freezes row and column headers in all forms and ad hoc grids dynamically, irrespective of their size and layout.
- HSV_NEGATIVE_NUMBERFORMAT—Specifies the format in which negative numbers must be displayed.
- HSV_USE_CUSTOM_NUMBERFORMAT—Enables custom number format.
- HSV_CUSTOM_NUMBERFORMAT—A custom number format string, using Excel formatting standards.

These constants correspond to options that have been added in recent releases to the **Options** dialog. Use these constants as you would the other constants noted in the table in **HypGetOption** in *Oracle Smart View for Office Developer's Guide*.

Smart View Version Check when Installing Extensions

Applies to: Enterprise Profitability and Cost Management, FreeForm, Planning, Planning Modules Tax Reporting, Oracle Essbase, Oracle Analytics Cloud, Oracle Business Intelligence Enterprise Edition, Oracle Hyperion Financial Management, Oracle Hyperion Planning

At times, in order for users to take advantage of the full functionality included in an extension update, a minimum version of Oracle Smart View for Office is required. In this release, during the extension update and installation process, a message notifies users when a dependency exists between the extension update and the Smart View version required.

Previously, administrators were required to use email or other means of notifying their users about the Smart View version requirement. Going forward, extensions can set a minimum required Smart View version of 25.100 or later. This version validation can be utilized starting with Smart View 25.100.

These extensions are supported for version check:

- Oracle Fusion Cloud EPM:
 - Task Manager
 - Supplemental Data Management
 - Enterprise Journals (Financial Consolidation and Close only)
 - EPM Books
 - Planning Admin Extension
 - Predictive Planning
 - Strategic Modeling
- Narrative Reporting

- Oracle BI EE extension for Oracle BI EE and Oracle Analytics Cloud
- Cube Designer extension for Essbase
- Oracle Journals extension for Financial Management
- Planning Admin extension for Oracle Hyperion Planning

(i) Note

- Some providers may support more than one extension.
- The version dependency message is displayed during extension updates and first-time extension installations whenever a particular version of Smart View is required.

For information on installing and updating extensions, see these topics in the *Oracle* Smart View for Office User's Guide, Smart View Extensions chapter:

- Initially Checking for Available Extensions
- **Installing Extensions**
- **Updating Extensions**

Default Values Automatically Set for Dynamic and Context-Sensitive User Variables in Forms 2.0 and Dashboards

Applies to: Enterprise Profitability and Cost Management, Financial Consolidation and Close, FreeForm, Planning, Tax Reporting

When opening Forms 2.0 or dashboards in Oracle Smart View for Office while connected to a supported data source, Cloud EPM now automatically sets default values for dynamic and context-sensitive user variables.



(i) Note

This feature requires Cloud EPM 25.08 or later.

Currently, Oracle supports three types of user variables in forms:

- Standard
- **Dynamic**
- Context-sensitive

Forms are prevented from opening if they include one or more standard user variables with undefined member values. If you're prevented from opening a form because it includes missing member values, you must define values for the user variables that were set up by your administrator.

For Forms 2.0 and dashboards, Cloud EPM now automatically sets default values for dynamic and context-sensitive user variables based on the highest level of the user's access the first time the form is opened. Users won't need to select values for dynamic and context-sensitive user variables before working in a form. Users can then change the values, if needed, after opening the form. Subsequent cases of opening the form will honor the most recently used values for that dimension member.

Standard user variables, if undefined, will still require user intervention to define missing values in preferences.

To use substitution variables in Smart View, see <u>Dynamically Setting User Variables</u> in the *Oracle Smart View for Office User's Guide*.

EPM Books Features and Updates

Related Topics

- EPM Books 25.08 Extension Update
- EPM Books 25.07 Extension Update
- EPM Books 25.06 Extension Update
- EPM Books 25.05 Extension Update

EPM Books 25.08 Extension Update

An updated EPM Books extension for Oracle Smart View for Office is now available to download and install. This update includes general improvements and defect fixes.

To take advantage of the improvements and defect fixes in the EPM Books extension:

- 1. From within Smart View, in the **Options** dialog, **Extensions** tab, click the **Check** for **Updates**, **New Installs**, and **Uninstalls** link.
- 2. Select your business process instance, then follow the prompts.

For more information on working with EPM Books in Smart View, see these topics in the *Oracle Smart View for Office User's Guide*:

- Installing the EPM Books Extension
- Books

EPM Books 25.07 Extension Update

An updated EPM Books extension for Oracle Smart View for Office is now available to download and install. This update includes general improvements and defect fixes

To take advantage of the improvements and defect fixes in the EPM Books extension:

- 1. From within Smart View, in the **Options** dialog, **Extensions** tab, click the **Check** for **Updates**, **New Installs**, and **Uninstalls** link.
- 2. Select your business process instance, then follow the prompts.

For more information on working with EPM Books in Smart View, see these topics in the *Oracle Smart View for Office User's Guide*:

- Installing the EPM Books Extension
- Books

EPM Books 25.06 Extension Update

An updated EPM Books extension for Oracle Smart View for Office is now available to download and install. This update includes general improvements and defect fixes

To take advantage of the improvements and defect fixes in the EPM Books extension:

- From within Smart View, in the Options dialog, Extensions tab, click the Check for Updates, New Installs, and Uninstalls link.
- 2. Select your business process instance, then follow the prompts.

For more information on working with EPM Books in Smart View, see these topics in the *Oracle Smart View for Office User's Guide*:

- Installing the EPM Books Extension
- Books

EPM Books 25.05 Extension Update

An updated EPM Books extension for Oracle Smart View for Office is now available to download and install. This update includes general improvements and defect fixes

To take advantage of the improvements and defect fixes in the EPM Books extension:

- 1. From within Smart View, in the **Options** dialog, **Extensions** tab, click the **Check for Updates, New Installs, and Uninstalls** link.
- 2. Select your business process instance, then follow the prompts.

For more information on working with EPM Books in Smart View, see these topics in the *Oracle Smart View for Office User's Guide*:

- Installing the EPM Books Extension
- Books

Narrative Reporting Features and Updates

Related Topics

- Narrative Reporting 25.08 Extension Update
- Narrative Reporting 25.06 Extension Update
- New Locate Action in Available Content Panel in Smart View
- Narrative Reporting 25.05 Extension Update
- New Embedded Content Panel

Narrative Reporting 25.08 Extension Update

An updated Narrative Reporting extension for Oracle Smart View for Office is now available to download and install. This update includes general improvements and defect fixes.

For installation information, see:

- Downloading and Installing Clients in Getting Started Guide for Administrators
- <u>Downloading and Installing Clients</u> in Getting Started Guide for Users
- <u>Installing the Narrative Reporting Extension</u> in Oracle Smart View for Office User's Guide

Narrative Reporting 25.06 Extension Update

An updated Narrative Reporting extension for Oracle Smart View for Office is now available to download and install. Along with general improvements and defect fixes, this update includes support for the Narrative Reporting extension feature, New Locate Action in Available Content Panel in Smart View.

Downloading and installing the latest Narrative Reporting extension for Smart View gives you access to the latest features, improvements and defect fixes.

For installation information, see:

- Downloading and Installing Clients in Getting Started Guide for Administrators
- <u>Downloading and Installing Clients</u> in Getting Started Guide for Users
- <u>Installing the Narrative Reporting Extension</u> in Oracle Smart View for Office User's Guide

New Locate Action in Available Content Panel in Smart View

You can quickly locate the named range associated with an available content within an Excel reference doclet or file using the new **Locate** action in the Available Content panel in Oracle Smart View for Office.

Open a report package in Excel, and access the Available Content panel from the content selector. Hover over the **More Actions** menu for a selected content to display the available actions. Select **Locate** and the Narrative Reporting extension takes you to the location of the selected available content within the Excel workbook. Additionally, the selected content range is highlighted.

The new **Locate** action allows you to quickly and easily locate available content in an Excel workbook, which is especially helpful in large workbooks.

This feature requires the 25.06 Narrative Reporting extension. To install the extension, see <u>Narrative Reporting 25.06 Extension Update</u>.

For more information, see Updating Excel-based Reference Doclets Using the Panel.

Narrative Reporting 25.05 Extension Update

An updated Narrative Reporting extension for Oracle Smart View for Office is now available to download and install. Along with general improvements and defect fixes,

this update includes support for the Narrative Reportingextension feature, <u>New Embedded Content Panel</u>.

Downloading and installing the latest Narrative Reporting extension for Smart View gives you access to the latest features, improvements and defect fixes.

For installation information, see:

- Downloading and Installing Clients in Getting Started Guide for Administrators
- Downloading and Installing Clients in Getting Started Guide for Users
- Installing the Narrative Reporting Extension in Oracle Smart View for Office User's Guide

New Embedded Content Panel

From the new Embedded Content panel, doclet authors can now perform tasks related to available content and embedded content, including adding available content from reference doclets and files, and embedding the available content into doclets. Additionally, users can also now easily locate the embedded content used (previously inserted) in Word and PowerPoint doclets.

In Narrative Reporting:

- Available content is the content defined by the user that originates from Excel workbooks (reference doclets, reference files) or Reports.
- Embedded content is the term used to indicate the occurrence of the available content once it is inserted, or embedded, in a regular doclet.

Previously, tasks related to available content and embedded content were only accessible from buttons on the Narrative Reporting ribbon and dialogs. These methods are still available, but the panel offers an alternative method for working with this content, including locating embedded content in doclets, in an interface that is more consistent with the Variables panel.

To work with the Embedded Content in Microsoft Word, a report package, and then open a regular doclet. Once a doclet is opened, the drop-down menu selector in the Report Package panel shows the new option, **Embedded Content**. Select it to display the Embedded Content panel.

From the Embedded Content panel in Word or PowerPoint, you can:

- Insert available content at the current cursor position
- Preview content that is available to embed
- Create available content from reference files
- Search for available or embedded content
- Filter available content by:
 - All: All available content in the report package
 - Current Doclet: All available content sourced from the current doclet
 - Reference Doclets: All available content sourced from reference doclets and reference files

- **In Use:** Available content that is embedded in the current doclet.
- Inspect available and embedded content
- Locate an embedded content in the current doclet (available in the **In Use** filter)

The action of locating an embedded content in the current doclet can only be performed in the Embedded Content panel in Word and PowerPoint doclets. In the Embedded Content panel in the example below, the In Use filter is selected and the embedded contents used in the current doclet are listed. From the More Actions drop-down menu, the **Locate** option is selected for the "Revenue - Bubble Chart" embedded content. After selecting **Locate**, review the doclet and note that the embedded content is highlighted; it is outlined and the embedded content name is displayed just above. Click away from the embedded content (click in the paragraph above, for example) and the outline and name are cleared.

(i) Note

If an embedded content is used multiple times in a single doclet, then when using the **Locate** action for a selected embedded content, only the first instance is highlighted.

To work with available content in the panel interface, in Excel, open a report package, and then open a reference doclet. Once the doclet is opened, use the drop-down menu in the Report Package panel to select the new option, Available Content:

From the Available Content panel in Excel, you can:

- Create available content from named ranges in Excel
- Search for available content
- Edit available content
- Remap available content (on the More Actions menu for a selected available content)
- Delete available content (on the More Actions menu for a selected available content)
- Inspect available content

The new Embedded Content panel allows doclet authors to perform tasks related to available content and embedded content in a persistent interface that is consistent with the Variables panel.

This feature requires the 25.05 Narrative Reporting extension. To install the extension, see Narrative Reporting 25.05 Extension Update.

For more information, see the following topics in the Oracle Smart View for Office User's Guide:

- Working with Embedded Content from Reference Doclets
- Working with Embedded Content from Reference Files

Installation Information

You can download this release from My Oracle Support:

https://support.oracle.com

For information on Oracle Smart View for Office, including the link to downloading the latest Smart View release, refer to the My Oracle Support Knowledge Article "Smart View Support Matrix and Compatibility FAQ" (Doc ID 1923582.1). To access the Knowledge Article, you must have a user account with My Oracle Support.

As a best practice, Oracle recommends periodically checking for and downloading the latest Smart View release from the Knowledge Article, Doc ID <u>1923582.1</u>, on MOS:

https://support.oracle.com/epmos/faces/DocumentDisplay?id=1923582.1

Complete installation instructions are in the *Oracle Smart View for Office Installation* and *Configuration Guide*. This guide is available in the Smart View library on the Oracle Help Center.

https://docs.oracle.com/en/applications/enterprise-performance-management/index.html

Google Chrome, Mozilla Firefox, and Microsoft Edge require a browser extension. See the topics in <u>Browser Support</u> for information on downloading and installing the Smart View extension for those browsers.

Supported Platforms

Related Topics

- Smart View Version Support
- Microsoft Windows Operating System and .NET Support
- Microsoft Office Support
- Browser Support

Smart View Version Support

Oracle supports and certifies the current release and one release prior (25.100 and 24.200) of Oracle Smart View for Office against current products on Premier Support.

Microsoft Windows Operating System and .NET Support

Oracle Smart View for Office 25.100 is supported on Windows 10 and Windows 11, and requires a supported version of Microsoft .NET Framework. Oracle recommends using .NET Framework 4.8 or higher.

Note that Microsoft .NET Framework 4.5.2, 4.6, and 4.6.1 are no longer supported after April 26, 2022. For more information, see .<u>NET Framework 4.5.2, 4.6, 4.6.1 will reach End of Support on April 26, 2022</u>.

For information on additional Windows operating system support, see the matrix for your release in Supported Platforms Matrices.

Microsoft Office Support

Related Topics

- Microsoft Office 2016, 2019, 2021, and 2024
- Microsoft Office 365

Microsoft Office 2016, 2019, 2021, and 2024

Oracle Smart View for Office supports Microsoft Office 2016, 2019, 2021, and 2024.

Note

- Office 2016 and Office 2019 users: Microsoft will stop supporting Office 2016 and Office 2019 as of October 14, 2025 as per their announcement in End of support for Office 2016 and Office 2019. Oracle Smart View for Office 25.100 is the last Smart View release to support Office 2016 and Office 2019. Future releases of Smart View (25.200 and beyond) will no longer support Office 2016 and Office 2019.
- Excel 2016 users: Ensure that you have installed the update described in <u>Issue Loading Smart View XLA File After Excel 2016 November 12, 2024</u> <u>Update</u>.

Issue Loading Smart View XLA File After Excel 2016 November 12, 2024 Update

After installing the November 12, 2024 Microsoft Office update for Excel 2016, Excel was not able to locate the Smart View HsTbar.xla file upon startup. The issue is described in Excel 2016 stopped loading .xlam Excel Addins after security update from 12-nov-2024.

This issue is fixed by Microsoft in <u>November 19, 2024, update for Excel 2016</u> (<u>KB4484305</u>). If you are using Excel 2016, Oracle advises that you download and install this fix.

Microsoft Office 365

Smart View for Windows requires locally installed supported versions of Microsoft Office 365 applications, including Office 365 ProPlus installed using Click-to-Run. Smart View (Mac and Browser) provides an interface between Oracle's Oracle Fusion Cloud Enterprise Performance Management solutions and Microsoft Office 365 deployed either in a web browser on Windows or Mac systems, or on Office for Mac.

For more information, see the Knowledge Article entitled *Smart View Support Matrix* and *Compatibility FAQ (Doc ID 1923582.1)*:

https://support.oracle.com/epmos/faces/DocumentDisplay?id=1923582.1

(i) Note

Some Office 365 users may face issues viewing drop-down list values in Smart Lists, member drop-down menus, in-cell POVs, and other drop-down lists. For example, on clicking any drop-down list in a cell, only an ellipses (...) may be displayed instead of the actual drop-down values. Users will need to upgrade to Smart View 22.200 or later in order to see the drop-down list values properly in cells.

Browser Support

Related Topics

- Browser Add-ons
- Browser Version Support
- Microsoft Edge WebView2 Support

Browser Add-ons

You can use Oracle Smart View for Office to interact with supported browser-based applications in Oracle Fusion Cloud Enterprise Performance Management and Oracle Enterprise Performance Management System in these ways:

- Starting in a form or ad hoc grid in Smart View, use drill-through to launch an application web page in a browser.
- Starting in a web application, launch a form or ad hoc grid in Smart View for Excel.
- Starting in a Task List in Smart View, opening a task in a browser.

Mozilla Firefox, Google Chrome, and Microsoft Edge require a Smart View add-on for drill-through, web launch, and opening a task in a browser from Smart View.

Note

Starting with the Cloud EPM 20.09 update and EPM System 11.2.2 release, Internet Explorer 11 is no longer supported, based on the Microsoft recommendation that Internet Explorer users move to the new Microsoft Edge as their default browser. Because Oracle will no longer test Cloud EPM and EPM System using Internet Explorer, existing functionality that currently works with Internet Explorer may no longer work starting with the 20.09 update or release 11.2.2. For more information, see <u>Browser Version Support</u>.

Oracle recommends that all users move to a supported browser.

Browser extension installation instructions are in the *Oracle Smart View for Office Installation and Configuration Guide*, <u>Installing Browser Add-ons</u>. This guide is available in the Smart View library on the Oracle Help Center here:

https://docs.oracle.com/en/applications/enterprise-performance-management/index.html

Browser Version Support

Oracle Smart View for Office does not have a browser version dependency; however, it is possible that the products that Smart View works with do.

For your platforms and products, check the system requirements and supported platforms documents, and specific product readmes for any additional browser support requirements.

Note

Do not uninstall Microsoft Internet Explorer, even after the end-of support date of June 15, 2022. Instead, you may securely disable Internet Explorer following Microsoft's guidelines. In situations where the Internet Explorer browser would be called, the Edge browser will be launched instead.

Smart View does not require the Internet Explorer browser specifically. However, Smart View depends on WinInet APIs that may have dependencies on Internet Explorer. Microsoft recommends keeping Internet Explorer installed on the machine since uninstalling may cause other applications that are dependent on it to work incorrectly. Microsoft also recommends updating to the latest security patches as they become available.

For more information, see Oracle Support Document 2877741.1, <u>Impact on Smart View with Microsoft decommissioning Internet Explorer 11 on June 15, 2022.</u>

Microsoft Edge WebView2 Support

Oracle Smart View for Office uses the Microsoft Internet Explorer module to display the authentication page. But certain authentication schemes may require newer controls, such as Microsoft Edge WebView2, to process a complex login sequence. To use WebView2, Microsoft Edge WebView2 Runtime should be installed and enabled on each Smart View client machine.

During runtime, Smart View detects the presence of Microsoft Edge WebView2 Runtime installed on the machine and launches the WebView2-based dialog to host the login page.

(i) Note

- Smart View began supporting WebView2 in release 23.210. For full support for WebView2, the latest Smart View version is recommended.
- WebView2 is supported only on Microsoft Windows 10 and 11.
- Although WebView2 is supported only on Windows 10 and 11, there may be instances where you are working with Smart View on a Windows Server version, such as Windows Server 2022, with WebView2 installed and enabled. In these cases, after initial login to an Office application, such as Excel, if you attempt to use Smart View in another Office application, you will be required to log in again. For example, if you are copying and pasting data points from Excel to Word, you will be required to log in to Excel, and then log in again to Word. This is due to Office applications not sharing the WebView2 data folder. Any functionality that relies on the shared data folder will not work as expected. The result is that users will need to log in and disconnect independently for each Office application on Windows Server.
- In the Health Check dialog in Smart View, the WebView2 Runtime option is set to Enable for All by default.
- For two-factor authentication login scenarios, in the Health Check dialog, the WebView2 Runtime option must be set to Enable for UI or Enable for AII.

Once WebView2 is installed on Smart View client machines, users can enable or disable it in the **Smart View Options** section of the **Health Check** dialog (described in Performing a Health Check On Your System in the Oracle Smart View for Office User's Guide).

Administrators can also enable or disable WebView2 by editing the Smart View properties.xml file (present by default in $C:\operatorname{Coracle}\operatorname{SmartView}\operatorname{Cfg}$) and then distribute this file to users.

These are the configuration settings for enabling and disabling WebView2 in properties.xml:

Enable for All (the default setting):

<disableWebView2>0</disableWebView2>

<useWebView2forNetworking>1</useWebView2forNetworking>

Enable for UI:

<disableWebView2>0</disableWebView2>

<useWebView2forNetworking>0</useWebView2forNetworking</pre>

Disable:

<disableWebView2>1</disableWebView2>

<useWebView2forNetworking>0</useWebView2forNetworking>

Administrators: If WebView2 is required to handle the login sequence used by your organization, then you should ensure that Microsoft Edge WebView2 Runtime is

installed and enabled on the machines running Smart View. If you are installing Microsoft Edge WebView2 Runtime, Oracle recommends using the Evergreen version.

Once installed, Microsoft distributes WebView2 updates on a regular cadence, unless a fixed version was installed. Administrators can use their own internal procedures to download and distribute Microsoft Edge WebView2 Runtime to Smart View users. The download is here:

 $\underline{\text{https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/deployoffice/webview2-install\#webview2-runtime-installation}}$

For more information, see the WebView2 documentation.

Supported Languages

The Oracle Smart View for Office user interface supports these languages:

Language	Language	Language	Language
Arabic	Finnish	Italian	Romanian
Chinese (Simplified)	French	Japanese	Russian
Chinese (Traditional)	French (Canada)	Korean	Slovak
Czech	German	Norwegian	Spanish
Danish	Greek	Polish	Swedish
Dutch	Hebrew	Portuguese (Brazilian)	Thai
English	Hungarian	Portuguese (Portugal)	Turkish

Supported Paths to this Release

You can upgrade to Oracle Smart View for Office Release 25.100 from the following releases:

Table 1-1 Supported Paths to this Release

Release Upgrade Path From	То	
24.100	25.100	
24.200, 24.210	25.100	

Backward Compatibility

Oracle Smart View for Office supports the product versions listed in the system requirements and platform support documents for your environment.

For information about compatibility with other Oracle platforms and products, check the system requirements and supported platforms documents for your environment, as well as any specific product readmes.

Defects Fixed in This Release

Related Topics

- General
- Cloud EPM
- Essbase
- Financial Management
- Reports, Books

General

- 36826908, 37414773 Oracle Smart View for Office supports using SharePoint or OneDrive, to store your shared connection XML file. For more information, see "Accessing Shared Connections from an XML File" in the Oracle Smart View for Office Installation and Configuration Guide.
- 37213070 Opening sheets containing function-based queries or running the Fix Links action no longer causes Smart View to hang or crash.
 - This defect is available from Smart View Release 24.210+.
- 37218893 When using a Shared Connections XML file and connecting to a new server on a new workbook, the active workbook no longer switches to the previous workbook and remains properly on the active workbook.
- 37239219 In the Options dialog, Cell Styles tab, the application and Common check boxes remain selected between sessions.
 - This defect is available from Smart View Release 24.210+.
- 37239426 In Excel 2406 or 2408, Smart View no longer experiences clipboard errors when there are formulas on the sheet and the Formula Fill option is selected.
 - This defect is available from Smart View Release 24.210+.
- 37378210 When installing a new Smart View release:
 - If Smart View is already installed and the options.xml file is present in the cfg folder, users need to click **Reset** in the Smart View **Options** dialog to obtain the latest settings set by their service administrator.
 - If Smart View is being installed for the first time or if no data is available in the registry, then Smart View refers to the options.xml file, if available.
- 37473725 The Submit Data Without Refresh action now works as expected against cells containing Excel formulas.
- 37488804 Kerberos is supported with Microsoft Edge WebView2 and requires the following registry key and string values.

Registry key:

HKEY LOCAL MACHINE\Software\Policies\Microsoft\Edge\WebView2

String Values:

- * AuthNegotiateDelegateAllowlist—Set to organization authentication server (can contain *)
- * AuthServerAllowlist—Set to organization authentication server (can contain *)

If this key and the string values are not present, create them.

37680312 – You can now successfully use the Submit Data Without Refresh
action to submit data of a text data type value that's used as a cell reference in an
ad hoc grid. Note that you must use the Submit Data Without Refresh action in
these cases.

Cloud EPM

(i) Note

Unless otherwise noted, the fixed defects described in this topic apply to these Oracle Fusion Cloud Enterprise Performance Management business processes:

- Enterprise Profitability and Cost Management
- Financial Consolidation and Close
- FreeForm
- Planning
- Tax Reporting

These defects are fixed in this release:

• 37288901, 37295442 When the "Enable flex on rows" option is enabled for a flex form, row sorting now works as expected.

This defect is available from Oracle Smart View for Office Release 24.210+.

- 37319079 When flex form is enabled on row and Suppress Missing Blocks is enabled, users can now type in the row members and refresh the form to bring in members on the flex form.
- 37352159 Workbooks containing function sheets created on the Mac using Oracle Smart View for Office (Mac and Browser) can be shared with users on Smart View for Windows. The Smart View for Windows user must run the Fix Links action one time in order to make the function sheets refreshable.
- 37632256 In Smart View, if users try to execute business rules with hidden runtime prompts on invalid intersections, the rule is not executed, and the expected error message is now displayed correctly stating that the value is not valid for the runtime prompt. This behavior is now in sync with the web application.

This fix requires Cloud EPM 25.06+.

37105456 – For business rules where entity is a hidden runtime prompt, users
who have access to the entity but are not part of the approval group are now
restricted from executing such business rules. The expected error message is now
displayed correctly stating that the value is not valid for the runtime prompt.

This fix requires Cloud EPM 25.06+.

37143528 – While working on Forms 2.0 in Smart View, when users without
access to an entity try to execute a business rule where the entity is a hidden
runtime prompt, the rule is not executed, and the expected error message is now
displayed correctly stating that the value is not valid for the runtime prompt. This
behavior is now in sync with Forms 1.0.

This fix requires Cloud EPM 25.06+.

Essbase

- 37039085 Excel formatting is now preserved and extended from parent cells to their zoomed-in cells when the Move Formatting on Operations option is selected in the Smart View Options dialog.
- 36544522 Users can now type a member name in the cell of a POV drop-down in Excel 365 version 2403 + on the first instance of typing the member name.
- 37533571 In Essbase ad hoc grids with POV, users can now type in the POV header cells, without any cell drop-down lists restricting the typing.
- 37528121 While typing a member name in a cell containing a POV dimension, if users stop typing midway, then the dimension name no longer displays in the drop-down list.

Financial Management

37148405, 37334161 – When connected to Oracle Hyperion Financial Management, for non-admin users on Windows 11, version 24H2, cell styles are now correctly displayed on the sheet.

These defects are available from Oracle Smart View for Office Release 24.210+.

Reports, Books

- 35901867 When working with Reports, Oracle Smart View for Office uses the date format "YYYY-MM-DD HH:MM:SS" in the **Properties** dialog, regardless of the date format specified in the web.
- 37092593 Reports with prompts can now be opened and analyzed without any errors.
- 37186201 If prompts and POV selection are enabled for a report, then when importing the report into Smart View, the Select Prompts dialog is now launched first, before the Preview POV dialog.

This defect is available from Smart View Release 24.210+.

- 37415126 Reports with semicolon in report name can now be imported in Smart View without any errors.
- 37575797 The date and time present in the report header are updated correctly whenever the report is refreshed in Smart View using **Refresh Report**.
- 37746957 Formatted reports can now be imported successfully when report POV has non-unique members in the default selection list and the Preview POV option is not enabled.
- 38145874 When using the EPM Books extension with a book that is based on multiple data sources, the Books ribbon will be successfully displayed when the executed workbook file is opened in Excel. Previously, in some cases, the ribbon was not displaying.
- 38182129 When using the EPM Books extension, if a book name contains any
 of these special characters \ / : * ? " < > | ' the book can now be downloaded and
 opened successfully after execution is complete.

Known Issues

Related Topics

- General
- Cloud EPM

General

- 33992974 When working in a two-monitor scenario using a laptop screen and an
 external monitor screen in extended mode, Oracle Smart View for Office may not
 able to recognize selections in the POV. This is due to having different resolution
 and scaling settings on each screen, which can result in false clicks where some
 UI clicks are not captured.
 - **Workaround:** If your display resolution settings are different between the laptop monitor and the external monitor with extended display, use the same scale settings on both screens. For information on monitor display settings, see the Microsoft article, How to use multiple monitors in Windows.
- 34032813 After installing Smart View as a System user, when Excel is launched
 for the first time, the registry key HKEY_CURRENT_USER, or HKCU is updated
 with the location of the HsTbar.xla file. While uninstalling Smart View, the HKCU
 entries are not removed automatically. After uninstalling Smart View, when Excel is
 launched for the first time, Excel tries to locate the HsTbar.xla file and shows an
 error stating it could not find the file.
 - **Workaround:** To avoid this error, delete the entries from the Windows Registry manually using the steps given in <u>Excel Looks for HsTbar.xla File After Uninstall</u> in the *Oracle Smart View for Office Installation and Administration Guide*.
- 34344067 When attempting to launch certain dialogs, the Script Error dialog is displayed if WebView2 is disabled; for example, you launch the Instructions dialog, and the instructions area is blank and the Script Error dialog is displayed.

Workaround: In the **Health Check** dialog, ensure that WebView2 Runtime is installed and select **Enable for UI**, described in <u>Performing a Health Check On</u> Your System in the *Oracle Smart View for Office User's Guide*.

- 35054608 No keyboard shortcuts are available to select in the Login dialog when WebView2 is enabled.
- 35116820 If the Health Check option, WebView2 Runtime, is set to Enable for UI or Enable for AII, then you cannot update extensions using the Check for Updates, New Installs, and Uninstalls in the Smart View Options dialog.

Workaround: In the Health Check dialog, set the WebView2 Runtime option to Disable. Restart Office. Then proceed with the extension update (or install or uninstall) using the Check for Updates, New Installs, and Uninstalls link in the Options dialog. When you're finished with extension update tasks, reenable the WebView2 Runtime option in the Health Check dialog and restart Office.

- 35673178 If different Oracle Fusion Cloud Enterprise Performance Management instances use different Identity Cloud Services (IDCS) instances, users will be prompted once per IDCS instance. For example, after logging into Narrative Reporting and launching a Planning-based Report, you may be prompted to log in again after clicking Analyze.
- 35728359 When performing drill-through to an Excel sheet, data value amounts on the sheet are shown in US format (with . as the decimal separator) and not in the regional format (with , as the decimal separator).
- 36401841 When WebView2 is enabled, selecting outside of a WebView2 dialog, such as the Sign In dialog, switches focus to the Excel application, making it unresponsive.

Cloud EPM

(i) Note

Unless otherwise noted, the known issues described in this topic apply to these Oracle Fusion Cloud Enterprise Performance Management business processes:

- Enterprise Profitability and Cost Management
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These are the known issues related to Cloud EPM:

 33622708 – While saving a Microsoft Office file to the Cloud EPM Library from Oracle Smart View for Office, if the file size is nearly 20 MB, an error appears stating that it exceeds the maximum allowed size limit of 20 MB.

- 34372232 In ad hoc grids connected to Standard-mode applications, when
 repeated members are suppressed, the Preserve Format option does not
 preserve any formatting changes done for data cells corresponding to the
 repeated members. The formatting changes are lost on refreshing the grid.
- 35029572 When importing metadata for copied content, the POV metadata is not imported in PowerPoint 2019.
- 35480273 Comments outside the flex form grid area will not be adjusted to match grid layout changes.
- 35673349 In certain scenarios, the Windows File Download dialog erroneously appears. You must click the Close button, X, in the upper-right corner of the dialog to close it and continue. These are the scenarios where this may occur:
 - When a report is set up where the grid data source of the report is pointing to an environment in a different domain than the one with which you originally logged on, the user performs a member selection from the **Edit POV** dialog, clicks **OK** to download the new report with the updated POV, and multiple authentication prompts appear. In the end, the **File Download** dialog is displayed.
 - Click the **X** in the upper-right corner of the dialog and launch the **Edit POV** dialog again but choose members from the drop-down list instead of the **Member Selection** dialog.
 - A report is opened for an extended period of time in Excel, which has resulted in a session time out. When the user refreshes report, the File Download dialog may display.
 - Click the **X** in the upper-right corner of the dialog and retry the refresh.
- 36180640 With WebView2 and the Save password dialog enabled, and using a shared connection to connect to an OCI data source, the Save password dialog is not displayed.

Workaround: Connect to the OCI data source a private connection and save the password when prompted. Disconnect or close Excel. Then, log in using the shared connection.

Tips and Troubleshooting

Tips and troubleshooting topics are listed in the <u>Tips and Troubleshooting</u> chapter of the *Oracle Smart View for Office Installation and Configuration Guide*.

All Oracle Smart View for Office guides are available in the library on the Oracle Help Center:

https://docs.oracle.com/en/applications/enterprise-performance-management/index.html

Documentation Updates

Related Topics

Accessing Cloud EPM and EPM System Product Documentation

Copying and Pasting Code Snippets from PDFs

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Cloud EPM

For Cloud EPM documentation and videos on the <u>Oracle Help Center</u>, click **See All** under **Cloud Applications**, **Fusion Applications Suite**, and then click **Enterprise Performance Management** in the **Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP)** group. On the <u>Oracle Enterprise Performance Management (EPM)</u> page, click the link for your service to view the documentation.

EPM System

For EPM System documentation on the <u>Oracle Help Center</u>, click **See All** under **On-Premises Applications**. On the <u>Oracle Applications</u> page, click **Enterprise Performance Management**, and then look for your release on the <u>Enterprise</u>

<u>Performance Management</u> page.

You can also find deployment-related documentation on Oracle Technical Resources (https://www.oracle.com/technical-resources/) and on the Oracle Software Delivery Cloud website (https://edelivery.oracle.com).

Copying and Pasting Code Snippets from PDFs

When you cut and paste code snippets from a PDF file, some characters can be lost during the paste operation, making the code snippet invalid.

Workaround: Cut and paste from the HTML version of the document.

Third-Party Components

This topic lists the open-source and proprietary third-party software components (or portions thereof) that are included with or used by Oracle Smart View for Office:

- MSXML 6.0
- NewtonSoft.Json 13.0.2
- Office PIA 14.0
- InstallShield 2023 R2
- Open XML SDK 2.18.0
- Zlib Data Compression Library 1.3.1

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