

# Using Data Analytics in Trust Audits

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#### Introduction

o Name

- o Institution Size
- o # of Internal Auditors
- $\circ$  1 5 scale, what level of analytics

#### Overview

According to the 2022 IIA Pulse report, among those audit leaders who would spend more on technology, 68% want to invest more in data analytics.

"Internal audit leaders are still not using data analytics in their work"

- Data Analytics
- The Data Analysis
- How Internal Auditors Can Use Data Analytics
- Trust Internal Audits
- □ Final Thoughts
- Questions



#### International Professional Practices Framework – Standards<sup>1</sup>

#### Standard 1220 – Due Professional Care

Internal auditors must apply the care and skill expected of a reasonably prudent and competent internal auditor. Due professional care does not imply infallibility.

**1220.A2** – In exercising due professional care internal auditors must consider <u>the use of technology-based audit</u> and other <u>data</u> <u>analysis</u> techniques.

#### **Technology-based Audit Techniques:**

Any automated audit tool, such as generalized audit software, test data generators, computerized audit programs, specialized audit utilities, and computer-assisted audit techniques. (CAATs)

1The Institute of Internal Auditors International Standards for the Professional Practice of Internal Auditing (Standards) Revised: October 2016; Effective: January 2017

#### Data Analytics

# What is Data Analytics?

Data analytics in its broadest and simplest term is the science of analyzing raw data to make conclusions about that information.

# Today

<u>Advanced</u> data analytics – the analysis of large volumes of data and/or high-velocity data, which presents unique computational and data-handling challenges.



# Types of Data Analytics

Descriptive Analytics – Raw data summarized to describe what happened in the past.

Diagnostic Analytics – Takes the analysis a step further to answer the why.

Predictive Analytics – Uses results of both descriptive and diagnostic analytics to identify tendencies, clusters and expectations.

Prescriptive Analytics – Simulation and optimization are used to suggest what action to take in the future.

### Benefits





# Simple Right?

Ask the Question Define/Determine the analytic Locate, organize, and analyze Answer the question Repeat

### Challenges/Mistakes





### Data Analytics Tools

- Desktop Based Excel, Access
- Server-based (SQL)
- Integrated SAP, People Soft, JDE, Oracle
- Report Writers Business Objects, Cognos
- Auditing Software IDEA, SAS, Artubus, ACL
- >DA Visualization Software Tableau, Qlikview/Qlik Sense











Determine the data required.

Obtain the data.

Organize the data.

Completeness and Accuracy.

### Data Analysis Steps

# Data Benefits/Challenges

#### BENEFITS

- **1**. Real-Time Analytics
- 2. Collaboration



#### CHALLENGES

- 1. Legacy Systems
- 2. New software
- 3. Governance
- 4. Lack of Integration
- 5. Collaboration
- 6. Cloud Compliance
- 7. New competencies



### How Internal Auditors Can Use Data Analytics



How IA Uses Data Analytics



### Audit Planning – Risk Assessments

- 1. Identify or obtain your library of potential risks
- 2. Define your KRIs
- 3. Determine your data sources
- 4. Connect your data sources schedule the analytics
- 5. Review your results Dig Deeper, if necessary.
- 6. Report your results use dashboards
- 7. Repeat

# Audit Planning

- Annual audit plans should be based on results of risk assessments.
- The ability to analyze trends in full populations of data should transform how you approach your audits.
  - Increase/Decrease in Accounts
  - Increase/Decrease in fee income
  - Increase in total shares/assets held
  - Trust Officer with Significant increase in accounts from prior year
  - Increase in Commission payouts
- The results of analysis should define the scope.
- Significant changes in audit approach are needed.





## CAAT Procedures in Audit Programs

- Traditional first step
- Existing Procedures Need to be Updated to Incorporate:
  - How data was obtained What should be provided to IT
  - Scripts used
  - Validation of data quality.
- Determine where to integrate
  - Risk Assessment
  - Annual Planning
  - Audit Project Planning
  - Scoping
  - Fieldwork
  - Reporting
  - Issue Follow Up/Validation



# Trust Internal Audits

#### How Should I Start?



Select and complete an audit using data analytics.

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Create a dashboard that you can use during multiple phases Audit Planning Scoping Fieldwork Reporting



Understand and know what is already available

#### Sample Analytics to Consider



### Data Attributes to Consider

• Understand and focus on the critical/high risk areas.

• Goal is to obtain all information needed in one report.

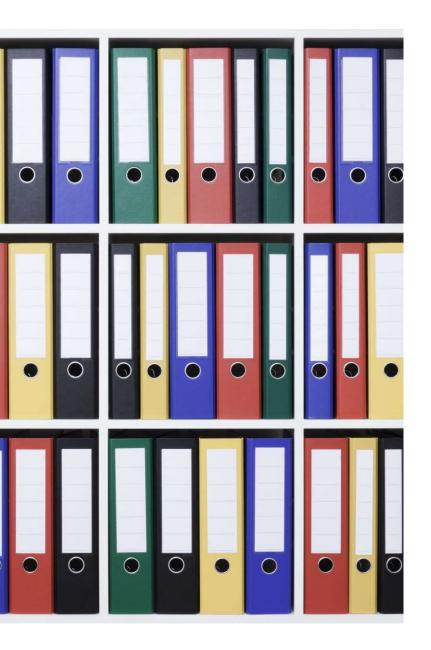
• Data points to consider:

- Account Name
- Account Number
- Account Capacity Code
- Administrative Officer
- Investment Officer
- Date Opened
- Date Closed
- Date of Death
- Investment Review Frequency Code

- Last Investment Review Date
- Investment Authority Code
- Investment Objective Code
- Fee Plan Code
- Fee Discount
- Statement Frequency Code
- Last Statement Date
- Statement Mailing Address
- Investment Allocations



Remember: You Need to Get the Basics Right to Make the Most of Data Analytics



## Final Thoughts

Core Skill for all Auditors

Good Documentation Still Required

Don't be driven by the data.

Storage of data.

Don't Be Afraid to Adjust Your Course







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