

Compare the features of business intelligence products

In today's digital world, organizations need to process ever-larger and more complex and varied sources of data. They also face growing pressure from employees, customers and partners to engage with information on a self-service basis, both quickly and from any device.

Many organizations underestimate both the impact of presenting better intelligence and the effort required to deliver it in a scalable, secure, understandable manner to a growing user base. This can quickly lead to IT overload and reports that do not harness or provide deep insight into the large amounts of data businesses need to make smart, agile decisions.

Design functionality	Eclipse BIRT Designer	OpenText™ Magellan™ Analytics Designer
License	Eclipse public license open source	Commercial licenses
Create designs for OpenText™ Magellan BI & Reporting		
Use WYSIWYG page design to develop HTML, PDF or .xls reports	✓	✓
Extend reports and integrate BIRT Java class libraries into applications using Java coding	✓	✓
Create a reusable foundation and templates for branding, ad hoc content, dashboards and applications	✓	✓
Rich and interactive HTML5 charts, geo-spatial maps and gadgets/ meters		✓
Include/embed external HTML5 content in Magellan BI & Reporting designs		✓
Develop interactive dashboards		✓
Custom visualization		✓
Produce accessible PDFs for the visually impaired		✓
Metadata layer to simplify end-user view		✓
Data access and modeling		
Integrate data from multiple and custom sources	✓	✓
Out-of-the-box sources through connectors, such as JDBC, scripted, POJO, REST and Web Services	✓	✓

Big data sources, such as Hadoop®, Amazon Redshift, Apache® Hbase® via Hive, Mongo DB®, Cloudera Hadoop and Impala	✓	✓
Commercial JDBC drivers for Oracle®, Salesforce®, DB2®, SQL Server®, SparkSQL and Cassandra		✓
Use BIRT reports as data source		✓
Define intelligent, multi-dimensional, in-memory cubes using BIRT Data Model		✓
Security		
Controlled data access	✓	✓
Provide granular security down to page-level and role-level security		✓

Design functionality	Eclipse BIRT Runtime Engine	OpenText Magellan BI & Reporting	Java Components with deployment kit
License	Eclipse public license open source	Commercial licenses	Commercial license ISVs only
Distribution and output			
Export reports in HTML, PDF, CSV and Microsoft® Office file formats	✓	✓	✓
Email distribution		✓	
Alerts and notification		✓	
Manage files and folders with Information Console web interface		✓	✓
Integration			
Embed content into applications via URLs	✓	✓	✓
Seamlessly embed report content into applications via parameters and Magellan BI & Reporting JavaScript API, Web Services API and REST API		✓	✓
Brand and customize Information Console (see above)		✓	

Content management			
Event and time-based scheduling		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
On-demand content generation		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Run secured and personalized reports for many users from a single design		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Multi-tenancy shared services for multiple applications			
Store, version and archive content			
Run secured and personalized reports for many users from a single design			
Administration and security			
Administration tools to easily manage, configure and monitor a system/cluster		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
User and role-based security		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Logging and Monitoring System with built-in reporting and analysis		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Single sign-on authentication		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
External Security Integration (LDAP), e.g., Active Directory®		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Deployment services			
Serve users inside and outside the firewall		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Implement server clustering		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Enable admins to make configuration changes on the fly		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Add near-linear scalability with elastic clustering		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
High-availability architecture with no single point of failure		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Cloud deployment		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

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Viewing			
View static reports	✓	✓	✓
View static spreadsheet-style data	✓	✓	✓
Mobile viewing			
Supports HTML5-based visualizations on all mobile devices		✓	
Supports embedding content on any mobile device via APIs		✓	
Interactive viewing			
Save, link to, print and export reports in CSV, XML, HTML, AFP, PostScript, PDF and Microsoft Office formats		✓	✓
Export and save offline content as analysis-ready Microsoft® Excel® files with live formulas, charts and PivotTables		✓	✓
Provide built-in table of contents and parameter collection features, including date picker, multipage navigation and URLs for content		✓	✓
Export content and data in multiple formats without re-execution of the report		✓	✓
Demand paging jumps to any page in a report		✓	✓
Progressive viewing to expedite the delivery of document pages as rendering is completed by Magellan Analytics engine		✓	✓
Link to report pages for sharing documents		✓	✓
Sort, filter and group report data		✓	✓
Move, hide, show, compute and delete columns and items		✓	✓

Create new aggregations		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Hide detail-level information to create summary report		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Add and remove page breaks		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
View HTML5 charts, graphs and gadgets		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Modify, align and format text and numbers		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Manipulate Interactive Crosstabs and generate live PivotTables		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Save modified reports and report designs		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Include enterprise data, formulas, formatting and live charts		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Access predefined multi-dimensional data objects		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Produce multi-dimensional reports and analysis		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Visualize data to identify trends and spot anomalies		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Perform root cause analysis by linking to operational data		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Dashboard			
Utilize Magellan BI & Reporting dashboards		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Provide dashboards specific to the needs of specific users, roles and projects		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Allow users to build and extend/modify dashboards without assistance from IT		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Enable users to add pre-built components by IT from the library to dashboard		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Design performance management reports showing KPIs and metrics		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

Ad hoc reporting			
Enable users to develop reports from predefined data sources and Magellan BI & Reporting templates		✓	✓
Give users ad hoc tools to create, modify and view Magellan BI & Reporting content		✓	✓
Accelerate design process by facilitating collaboration between end users and IT		✓	✓
Integrate with OpenText™ Magellan™ Big Data Analytics and enable self-service		✓	
Supports Smart Web Layout		✓	
Provides an easy hyperlink builder		✓	
Comes with easy data previewing capabilities		✓	
Ships with a rich set of data visualizations		✓	

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