

Web Page Dashlets

When working with Web Page Dashlets in the Dashboard Designer, you can include a parameter reference in the Dashlet's URL. The parameter references an existing filter in another Dashlet, and uses that filter to display a specific web page relevant to the filtered information.

The following example takes you through the steps for creating a simple Dashboard in the Dashboard Designer, adding a sample chart with geographic filters, and creating a Web Page Dashlet that displays a Wikipedia page for the country the sample chart is filtered on.

First, create the simple dashboard:

1. From the **Home** page. Click **Create > Dashboard**. The **Dashboard Designer** appears, displaying the list of available content and the canvas.
2. In the **Existing Content** section of the **Available Content** panel, find and select a Report.
3. Click and drag the Report onto the **Dashboard Canvas**.
4. Next, add the **Filter input control** to the Dashboard:
 - a. In the **Filters** section, expand the folder.
 - b. Drag the **Customer Country** input control onto the canvas.

Now, add the Web Page Dashlet with the parameter reference and add it to the filter:

1. In the **New Content** section of the **Available Content** panel, click and drag the **Web Page** item onto your Dashboard. The **Dashlet URL** window opens.
2. Enter the following URL: [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/\\$P{Customer Country}](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/$P{Customer Country})
3. Click the **OK** button.
4. Right-click the Dashlet and select **Properties** from the context-menu.
5. Change the **Dashlet Name** to "Wiki."
6. Click the **Parameter Mapping** icon to open the **Parameter Mapping** window.
7. Open a row containing the new **Affected Dashlet** and **Filter/Parameter** dropdown menus that appear.
8. In the **Dashlet Affected** column, select "wiki" from the new **Select dashlet** dropdown menu.
9. In the **Filter/Parameter Affected** column, select a field from the new **Select parameter** dropdown menu.
10. Click the **OK** button.

Finally, preview the new Dashboard functionality:

1. **Preview** the Dashboard.
2. Click in the text box to display the available values.
3. Select a value from the values list, and click the **Apply** button at the bottom of the Dashlet.
4. Return to the **Dashboard Designer**.
5. Select **Save Dashboard**.
6. In the **Save As** window, change the default name and locate a folder, such as the **/Dashboards** folder.
7. Click **Save**.

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