

SSRS COURSE CONTENT

Module 1: Introduction to Reporting Services

This module introduces Microsoft SQL Server Reporting Services, its components, and the tools used to work with it.

Lessons

- Introduction to reporting services
- Reporting services components
- Reporting services tools

Module 2: Reporting Services Data Sources

Almost every report that you publish by using SQL Server Reporting Services (SSRS) will be built using data that's obtained from one or more source systems. This lesson explains how to configure SSRS to interact with source data systems by working with data sources.

Lessons

- Data sources
- Connection strings
- Datasets

Module 3: Creating Paginated Reports

Now that you have learned about BI and data modelling, and how to access data from Report Designer and Report Builder, you need to learn how to create reports. This module shows you how to create different types of reports in both applications, in addition to using the Report Wizard.

Lessons

- Creating a report with the report wizard
- Creating a report
- Publishing a report

Module 4: Working with Reporting Services Data

It is common for business requirements to change regarding the information they need and how they want data presented. On viewing a detailed report, senior management might ask for higher level, summarized, or filtered versions of the same report. Report Builder and Report Designer support these scenarios via filtering, sorting, drilldowns, grouping and the parameterizing of reports. In this module, you will see how to use filters and parameters to make reports more dynamic and useful to business users.

Lessons

- Data filters
- Report parameters
- Implementing report filters and parameters

Module 5: Visualizing Data with Report Services

As the amount of data being generated continues to grow, the need to make sense of its meaning increases. You use data visualization to make data easier to understand, and faster to interpret. Data visualizations highlight comparisons, show trends, and convey scale much faster than a table of numbers could. The detail is important, but visualizations are a highly effective way of conveying meaning and insights quickly and accurately.

Lessons

- Formatting data
- Images and charts
- Data bars, sparklines, indicators, gauges, and maps

Module 6: Summarizing Report Data

As the amount of data we need to deal with increases, so does the requirement to manage data by grouping and summarizing. In this module, you will learn how to create group structures, summarize data, and provide interactivity in your reports, so that users see the level of detail or summary that they need.

Lessons

- Sorting and grouping
- Report sub-reports
- Drilldown and drill through

Module 7: Sharing Reporting Services Reports

When you have published a Reporting Services report, users can view the report interactively. In some situations, it can be advantageous to run reports automatically, either to improve performance through caching and snapshots, or to deliver reports to users—by using e-mail or other mechanisms. To run reports automatically, you need to understand how Reporting Services manages scheduling. This module covers report scheduling, caching and the report life cycle, and automatic subscription and delivery of reports.

Lessons

- Schedules
- Report caching, snapshots, and comments
- Report subscription and delivery

Module 8: Administering Reporting Services

System administrators take responsibility for the configuration and day-to-day operations of IT systems. In SQL Server Reporting Services (SSRS), administrative tasks include the configuration of the web portal and web service, branding the web portal, and ensuring that access to sensitive reports is carefully controlled. Administrators also monitor and optimize performance.

Lessons

- Administering reporting services
- Reporting services configuration
- Reporting services performance

Module 9: Extending and Integrating Reporting Services

Although Reporting Services is a powerful tool, its built-in capabilities might not always meet your needs. This module covers the methods for extending the functionality of Reporting Services with expressions and custom code. You will also learn about the methods for working with Reporting Services programmatically, and integrating Reporting Services reports into other applications.

Lessons

- Expressions and embedded code
- Extending reporting services
- Integrating reporting services