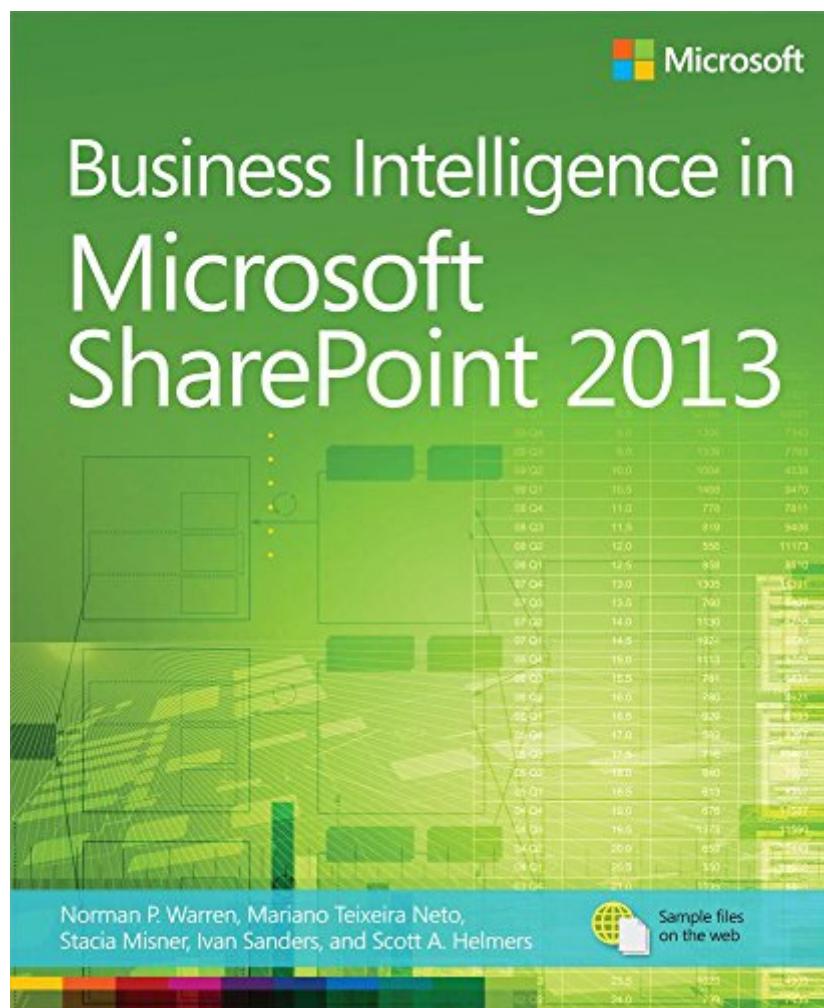


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Dive into the business intelligence features in SharePoint 2013 and use the right combination of tools to deliver compelling solutions. Take control of business intelligence (BI) with the tools offered by SharePoint 2013 and Microsoft SQL Server 2012. Led by a group of BI and SharePoint experts, you'll get step-by-step instructions for understanding how to use these technologies best in specific BI scenarios whether you're a SharePoint administrator, SQL Server developer, or business analyst. Discover how to: Manage the entire BI lifecycle, from determining key performance indicators to building dashboards Use web-based Microsoft Excel services and publish workbooks on a SharePoint Server Mash up data from multiple sources and create Data Analysis Expressions (DAX) using PowerPivot Create data-driven diagrams that provide interactive processes and context with Microsoft Visio Services Use dashboards, scorecards, reports, and key performance indicators to monitor and analyze your business Use SharePoint to view BI reports side by side, no matter which tools were used to produce them

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Customer Reviews

As others have noted, various diagrams and illustrations are not well introduced in the hardcopy version (and I suspect the Kindle equivalents may be worse). However, I don't find this a show-stopper: the book is a good, quick, introduction to designing and developing BI tools using the current SP 2013 release. If possible, find a paper copy and I

Using this as a reference text for a class in BI. The lab set-up in Appendix A was a challenge for the students, but I was able to build the VM environment with a little additional work and give it to them. Kindle Edition has screenshots in colour - which addresses the concern some reviewers have. The first two chapters are a bit basic - and benefit from being supplemented by additional resources (Kimball books). Students really enjoyed how this fit their program and synthesized several concepts in practical application.

The first problem I had with this book was with the illustrations. Some of the screen captures are OK, but others look like they were printed in color, then scanned in B/W. Just to put what you will see into words, quite a few of the images look as if the image was printed on a laser printer that was low on toner. The book includes information on some very recently announced features such as native PowerView in Excel 2013. This is a good thing, but it also seems like another clue that the book was probably rushed to press. Lastly, there are step by step examples that are mostly correct, but there were probably last minute changes in the most recent code updates such as function shifted from just the SQL Server Data Tools (SSDT) moniker, to include SSDT - Business Intelligence for VS 2012. A minor point that happens quite a bit with the first books to be released on a technology subject. I gave this book an OK rating because it could have, and should have, been better but think the fault rests with the publisher and not the authors.

This is a good guide to implementing BI using SharePoint. However, the graphics contained in the book are quite poor. Considering others on this site have made the same remarks, I am surprised Microsoft has not updated this offering.

Good book with a logical flow that walk you through the technical deployment and concepts around SharePoint 2013. Very good starting and intermediate point to running Analytics from SharePoint. I would recommend this book to any BI professional.

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