



# Case Study: Revenue and Costs Financial Reporting

## Company Overview

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With \$418 billion in assets as at January 31, 2023, National Bank of Canada, together with its subsidiaries, forms one of Canada's leading integrated financial groups.



The Bank has more than 30,000 employees in knowledge-intensive positions and has been recognized numerous times as a top employer and for its commitment to diversity. Its securities are listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange (TSX: NA).



## Project Goals and Overview

Following the rollout of S4 and Group Reporting (GR) for Corporate Finances, NBC was looking for a partner that could help them define and build the right management reporting solution that would integrate Financial data and directly related Operational data (i.e.: Headcount, vendor contracts, etc). The objective was to build a suite of dashboards that could be used by all bank divisions starting with consolidated information and drilling down to detailed reports.

A project had previously been run using Live views on GR but results were not to their satisfaction. Following initial discussions with SimpleFi, we were able to help them define a data strategy that would provide the reactivity they were looking for combined with the flexibility they were hoping to achieve.

## Project Scope

### Financial Reporting

- Run workshops with all main bank divisions to understand their core Revenue and Cost reporting requirements
- Design and build one dynamic dashboard combining standard report elements and advanced scripting to provide the expected layout and interactivity
- Configure translations so all report elements can be accessed in either French or English

## Project Challenges

Coming up with the design of a single entry point that would satisfy all the stakeholders was one of the biggest challenges of this project. Even with further drilldowns defined for specific use cases, the main dashboard had to provide a summary that could provide insights to all. Providing sample designs stakeholders could vote and comment on ended up being the key element allowing us to move forward.

## Future Use

- This deliverable showed the potential SAC brings and allowed the other related projects to gain momentum
- Additional information coming from outside SAP is planned to be integrated, for this Datasphere is positioned to consolidate the information and be accessed directly from SAC
- HR compensation planning is also being prioritized, all actuals being in SAC, it makes sense to bring in the plan process for a single version of the truth



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