

For E-Business Suite Users

GL Wand 5

Revolutionizing Excel-Based Reporting in Oracle 11i/R12

The screenshot displays the GL Wand interface within Microsoft Excel. The main window shows a financial report with columns for 'Actual' and 'Actual' data. A sidebar on the right contains a 'Segment' dropdown menu with options like 'Account Type', 'Enabled Flag', 'Parent Flag', etc. Below the menu are two charts: 'Total Cost of Sales and Services' (a bar chart comparing Dec-01-PTD and Dec-01-YTD) and 'Other Expenses' (a pie chart showing categories like Advertising, Public Relations, Shipping and Transportation, Freight, and Warehousing).

GL Wand 5 is the fifth generation of an award-winning, Excel-based financial reporting solution for finance professionals using Oracle e-Business Suite 11i or 12. It's Java-based framework was designed exclusively for the strengths of an Oracle environment and is about ease of use, ease of development, flexibility and speed of refresh and drill downs.

Features of GL Wand

- Excel-based Oracle finance reporting
- Integrated into Oracle 11i/R12
- Mass reporting and distribution
- High performance architecture
- FSG Converter

Key Uses of GL Wand

- Management reporting
- Statutory reporting
- Adhoc reporting
- Slice and dice analysis
- Monthly reconciliations
- Audit compliance
- Planning, budgeting and forecasting
- Drilling to detail
- Cost allocation models
- Dashboards
- Replacement for Client ADI



Excel Frontend to Oracle Data

GL Wand 5 empowers end users by offering a powerful Excel® frontend to their Oracle E-Business Suite (EBS) data, but without the efforts of end-user software management. Launch GL Wand 5 from within Oracle EBS and gain access to the new GL Wand ribbon for Excel® 2007 to 2013.



Access From Any PC

Roaming users will notice their personalized application settings will follow the logon and not the PC. This will thereby further increase productivity of today's mobile workforce by eliminating the need to install PC software.



Benefits for IT

- Easy to support
- No client install or upgrade required
- No client connection URLs
- Reduce FSG/Report Manager skill dependency
- Universal license key
- Easier license management
- Enhanced profile options
- Insert own SQL to create custom drill down columns
- Save money: full license not needed for admin only use



Benefits for Users

- Faster reporting
- Faster drill downs
- More refresh user control
- More intuitive, less training required
- More functions and wizards
- Customer-definable drill fields
- GL Wand Drill-Only licenses are available
- Increase productivity
- Effective replacement for Client ADI
- More time to analyze data

GET BALANCE FUNCTION & DRILL DOWNS

About the Get Balance Feature

f\$ The Get Balance function creates a link to the General Ledger and the GL Wand Function Wizards makes it easy for users to quickly build reports and ad-hoc queries. Get Balance formulae represent your General Ledger balances in Excel cells. These cells can be copied and pasted to create reports and are refreshable on demand and can be double-clicked to drill to detail. You can also report on ledger sets and can consolidate the results of ledger sets into a single Get Balance function.

Get Balance Formulae Shown

Vision Operations (USA) Profit and Loss			
Year	2013	Operations	
Period	12	All Values	
Company	01		
Department	%		
		Dec-01 - PTD \$ '0s	Dec-01 - YTD \$ '0s
		Dec-00 - YTD \$ '0s	
7110	Advertising	56 800	37 252 483
			12 159 532

Get Balance Function Wizard Shown

Function Wizard
Populate the parameters to create the function.

Parameters

Period Name: Dec-13 = "Dec-13"

Balance Type: PTD = "PTD"

Currency: USD = "USD"

Translated Flag: E = "E"

Actual Flag: A = "A"

Budget Name: =

Encumbrance: =

Segments

Company: 01 = "01"

Department: % = "%"

Account: % = "%"

Sub-Account: 0000 = "0000"

Product: 000 = "000"

Book: Optional =

Include the Book Id in the function

Options

Journal Source: Filter by Journal Source =

Journal Category: Filter by Journal Category =

Movement: Filter by Debit or Credit =

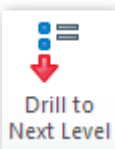
Multiply: Multiply the result by =

Decimal Places: Round the result to =

Drill to next level of detail

Advanced Options: Filtering by Journal Source or Category and or filtering by Debit or Credits are now available in the Wizard. Change the sign of a balance using the Multiply field while still maintaining full drillability.

High Performance Drill Downs in Excel



Drill down functionality is faster than ever, especially on Balance and Journal drill downs encompassing thousands of rows.

Customizing drill layouts has never been easier and drill layouts can include graphs and formula as well as custom fields. Custom fields can be added to drill layouts by having an administrator configure the required custom field definition.

Use custom drill columns to include links to scanned copies of transactions in a drill down report and access these attached source documents directly from the GL Wand drill down.

Balance Drilldown				
Account Combination	Opening Balance	Debit	Credit	Net
01.000.4504.0000.000	-30 525.00	-	2 775.00	-2 775.00
01.000.4900.0000.000	-2 795 458.48	4 000 000.00	2 000 000.00	2 000 000.00
01.410.4110.0000.000	-10 195 030.94	-	2 176 797.44	-2 176 797.44

Journal Drilldown					
Account Combination	Effective Date	Journal Name	Journal Source	Journal Category	
01.420.4110.0000.000	2001/12/05	Sales Invoices USD	Receivables	Sales Invoices	
01.422.4110.0000.000	2001/12/05	Sales Invoices USD	Receivables	Sales Invoices	
01.430.4110.0000.000	2001/12/05	Sales Invoices USD	Receivables	Sales Invoices	
01.440.4110.0000.000	2001/12/05	Sales Invoices USD	Receivables	Sales Invoices	

Sub Ledger Drilldown				
Account Combination	Journal Name	Transaction Type	Transaction Number	
01.420.4110.0000.000	Sales Invoices USD (8)	Inv-Hdwre-East	10007323	
01.420.4110.0000.000	Sales Invoices USD (9)	Inv-Hdwre-East	10007320	
01.420.4110.0000.000	Sales Invoices USD (10)	Inv-Hdwre-East	10007324	
01.420.4110.0000.000	Sales Invoices USD (11)	Inv-Hdwre-East	10007325	
01.420.4110.0000.000	Sales Invoices USD (12)	Inv-Hdwre-East	10007320	
01.420.4110.0000.000	Sales Invoices USD (13)	Inv-Hdwre-East	10007324	
01.420.4110.0000.000	Sales Invoices USD (14)	Inv-Hdwre-East	10007323	
01.420.4110.0000.000	Sales Invoices USD (15)	Inv-Hdwre-East	10007323	

Sample Drill Down for Balance, Journal and Subledger.

KEY FEATURES & FUNCTIONS

Deploying & Using GL Wand

IT Departments will be able to complete a rapid, central installation on their existing Oracle Application by following our Excel4apps Wands (Oracle) Installation Guide and then simply share that application with authorized users via an Oracle Responsibility. Mass deployment of the GL Wand functionality to remote user locations is now easy. IT managers will no longer have to be concerned over version discrepancies or rolling out updates as the central Java app will automatically ensure compatibility with each logon.

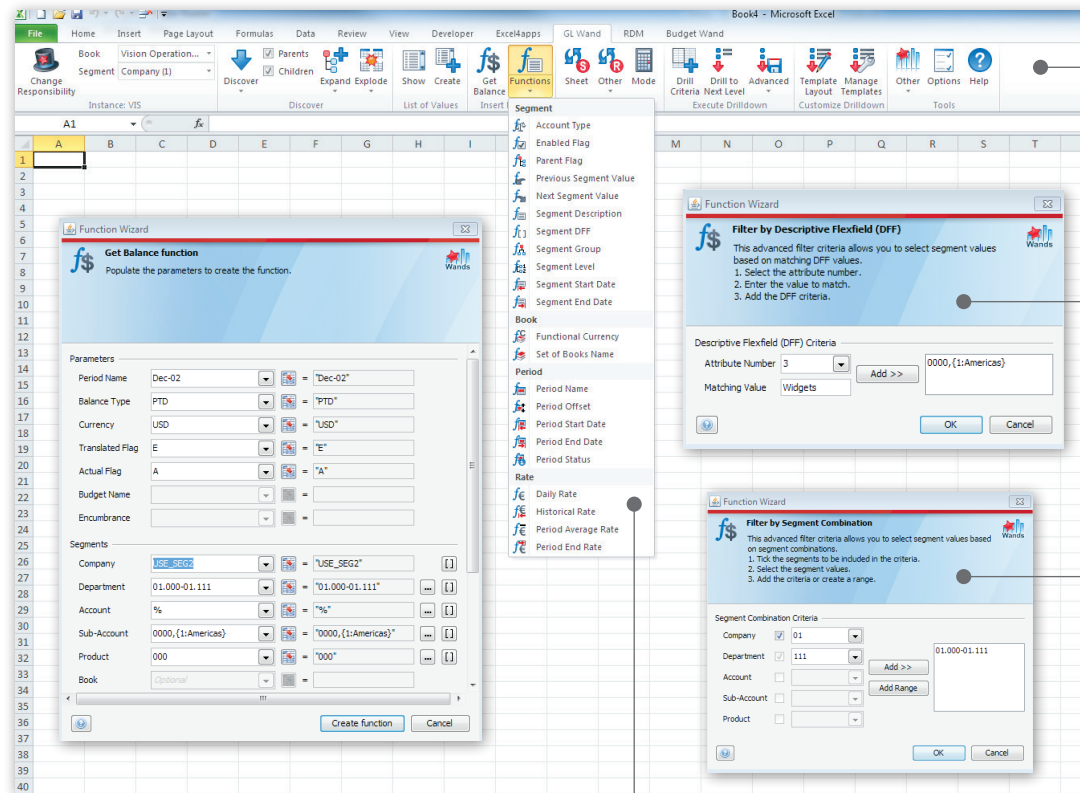
	Discovering	Easily populate Excel with segment information like segment values, segment properties, periods or child ranges.
	Expand/Undo Expand	Expand a row to display balances and child values that roll up into a particular segment. Easily undo an Expand.
	Explode Report	Create multiple sheets (reports) with each sheet representing a slice of data based on the driving parent hierarchy exploded.
	Open List of Values	Launch a form to search through segment values and description for a specific segment.
	Create List of Values	List of value cells can be double clicked to open dynamic lists of segment values, periods, sets of books, currencies, balance and encumbrance types, dates, budget organizations, journal source and categories and more.
	Custom Functions	There are >22 functions available to return values from Oracle based on input parameters. Functions include Get Balance, Segment Description, Next Segment Value, Previous Segment Value, Parent Flag, Enabled Flag, Account Type, Period Name, Set of Books Name, Functional Currency, Segment Descriptive Flexfield, Period Offset, Daily Rate, Historical Rate, Period Average Rate, Period Status, and more.
	Calculation Option	Calculate a range of cells, a whole sheet or all open workbooks. The calculation engine can be set to auto refresh from Oracle or set to off without effecting the normal Excel calculation mode. The calculation engine can be set to remember the last calculated value from a previous session.
	Snapshot	A dynamic GL Wand report can be made static by creating a snapshot.
	Hide Zeros	Hide rows in a report which contain only zeros values across a row.
	Undo Hide Zeros	Unhide hidden rows.
	Drill Downs	Drill from a Get Balance function to balances, journal lines and sub ledgers. Optionally, drill to saved templates or analyze balances using saved templates including pivot tables.
	Drill to Saved Templates	Customize balances, journal lines and sub ledger drill templates by adding or removing available columns or changing column orders or adding a custom drill column defined by your system administrator.
	Sort/Subtotal Drill Report	Easily sort and subtotal drill down reports.
	Configuration Sheet	Report on the Configuration of the currently-selected set of books.
	Options	Set many site options and control whether users can change them.
	Report Wizard	Build your first report quickly. Copy, paste and insert rows to extend this report.
	Report Distribution Manager	Mass create reports and optionally distribute them by email in PDF, XLS or HTML format.
	Edit Default Drill Layout	Change the default drill template layout for all future drill downs.
	Books/ledger sets	The Multiple Set of Books option allows reporting from one or multiple Set of Books in a single workbook.



NEW & ADVANCED FEATURES IN VERSION 5

Advanced Features

GL Wand 5 has many, advanced features. Shown here is the Ribbon Toolbar, Function drop down menu, and examples of enhanced wizards.



New Ribbon Toolbar: Launch from your secure EBS environment and automatically access the GL Wand 5 Ribbon.

Enhanced Wizards
Advanced users can go beyond filtering balances by segments values, parents, lists and range combinations and use the new wizards to filter balances for specific Code Combinations or by applying Descriptive Flexfield Criteria to a Get Balance Function.

New Functions: There are >22 functions available to return values from Oracle based on input parameters.

Key Features in Version 5

- Zero client install
- Calculation engine
- Functions and wizards
- Customizable drill layouts
- Custom field definitions
- Expand and Explode features
- Roaming user profiles
- Java-based platform
- Remember last calculated value from previously saved session
- Drill from subledger detail back to Oracle Forms



Compatible with
Microsoft Excel
2003 - 2013

User Interface

- Lists of values now feature a filter function to assist with finding values and can be sorted by any column.

More Reports in Report Wizard

- To get users started with GL Wand, additional example reports are available such as Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss reports.

Reports Distribution Manager (RDM)

- Reports can be mass created and also automatically emailed eliminating the need for users to click "send" in Microsoft Outlook. You can also choose email addresses from your Outlook contact list.

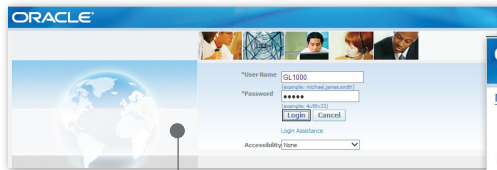
Use Excel During Calculations

- Continue using Excel while the GL Wand calculation runs and minimize the calculation window so that it is out of your way.

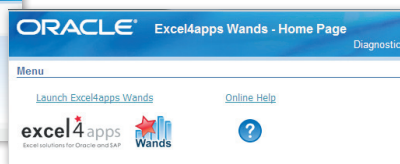


Oracle E-Business Suite Integration & Security

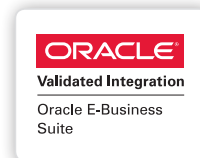
GL Wand is integrated with Oracle Financials which means that it is possible to download the free trial, perform the installation and begin reporting all within a few minutes. No implementation is needed. GL Wand has been designed to leverage existing security configuration within the Oracle E-Business Suite environment.



Leverage Oracle Security: Logon with your E-Business Suite username and password to access GL Wand 5.



Oracle E-Business Suite
Logon and Launch



E-Business Suite Touch Points

FSG Converter	Extract FSG definitions into Excel for easy conversion to GL Wand reports.
Parent Child Relationships	Parent child relationships as defined in the key account flexfield combination are automatically interpreted allowing reporting at any level within the hierarchy. Child definitions of a particular segment can also be output to an Excel note.
Accounting Flexfield	Support for dependent and table validated segments.
Entered or translated balance types	YTD, QTD, PTD, PJTD and CTD which uses custom ranges and JED, JEDP & JEDU which summarize based on journal effective dates.
Summary Balances	Report on Oracle summary account balances if available.
Calendar, Currencies, Chart of Accounts	Oracle Calendars, Currencies and Chart of Accounts as defined are available from Excel.
Descriptive Flexfields	Functions that return descriptive flexfield information and drill layouts can be modified to include relevant descriptive flexfields information.
GL Balances	Reporting is directly from the source GL balances tables so a single version of the truth is ensured.
Budgets/Encumbrance	Report on Budgets or Encumbrance type balances.
Drill to Balances	Drill to GL balance details.
Drill to Journals	Drill to journal lines, to full contra journals or Global Consolidation journals.
Journal Extract	Query journals based on various journal fields such as journal name, batch name, etc.
Drill to Sub Ledgers	Drill to AP, AR, FA, OM, INV, PO, PA, OPM subledgers on 11i/ R12 and then drill into EBS forms to see the underlying source record / document.
User Names/ Responsibilities	Use your Oracle username and password for responsibility-based authentication.
Oracle Session information	Oracle Database session info is populated allowing 9i/10g/11g DB management of users.
User profile option	Set user level profile options to control GL Wand access by Oracle Responsibility, limited by Oracle Security Rules.
Secure Drill Down by operating unit	Secure Drill Downs by operating unit for payables and purchasing, as per Oracle 11i option.

HTTP(s) architecture supported

No ODBC, No SQL net and no direct database users need to be setup or maintained. Single sign-on is supported.

ARCHITECTURE & MASS REPORT DISTRIBUTION

Installation & High-Performance Architecture

GL Wand has a proven internet-based architecture for fetching data from source Oracle systems into Excel. Designed to minimize both system impact and network traffic, and proven by global multinationals and Oracle on Demand customers.

Installation Options

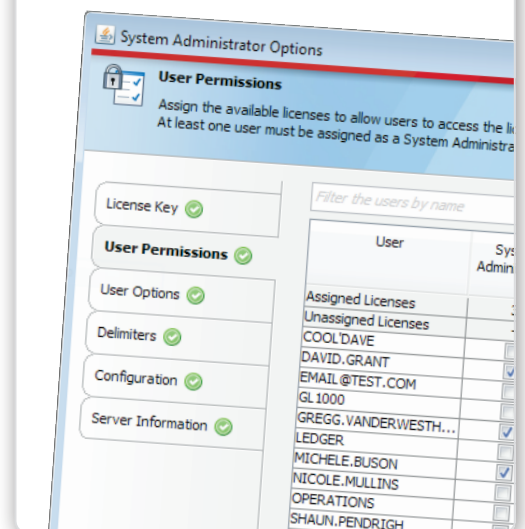
Easy installation	Non-invasive, Oracle on Demand friendly, server side installation. No client side install needed.
High performance	Maximize refresh rates by using our performance tuning toolkit or request a free remote tuning session. Enable the client side in-memory database option to optimize for frequently requested historical balances.
Custom index profile	GL Wand uses Oracle's recommended indexes or those specified by your DBA.

Other Features

Budget variance analysis	Select a budget value and drill to detailed variance analysis.
Create drill criteria sheet	A drill sheet can be created and refreshed independently of a Get Balance function.
Multi-language support	Report on foreign characters, or display foreign language segment descriptions if enabled, for example, Chinese or Japanese.
Online vision account	Download the free trial and get GL Wand access to an online Vision instance or trial GL Wand on your own system.
Audit get balance	Easily see segment information and applicable security rules limiting display.

System Admin Options

All options and settings are now managed direct from the rich Java user interface including assigning products to users, setting permissions, profile options and license keys.



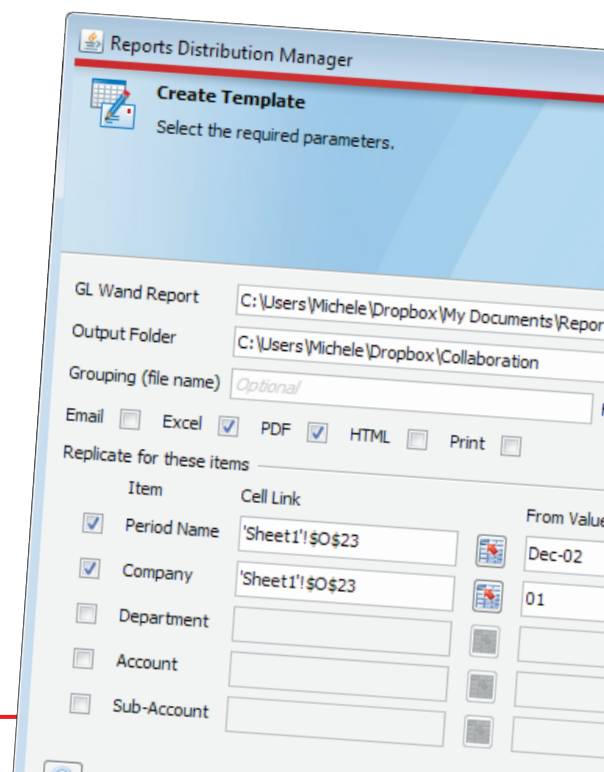
System Administrator Options Shown

Mass Reporting and Distribution

Use the Reports Distribution Manager to mass create GL Wand reports and automate the monthly creation and distribution of reports.

Reports Distribution Manager (RDM) Features

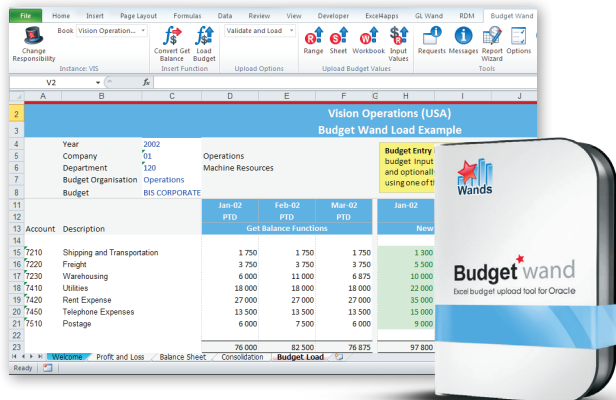
Easy to use Output formats	Wizard driven definition creation, completely Excel based. Excel, PDF, HTML, print and email.
Email options	Specify To: CC: BCC email recipients, subject and email text. Create and automatically send emails.
Output folder and grouping options	Specify a server location or grouping file name to group multiple reports into sheets within a single workbook.
Hide zeros	Specify a range of cells to apply the Hide Zeros logic.
Execute individually or all	Control how you mass produce reports.
Schedule reports	Excel-Based scheduler allows reports to be scheduled to run at a future date and repeat on a cycle.



RDM Wizard Shown

ADDITIONAL SOLUTIONS & FREE TRIAL

In addition to General Ledger reporting, Excel4apps offers two additional solutions: Budget Wand and Reports Wand.



Budget Wand 5

Discover faster budgeting and forecasting cycles with an Excel front end

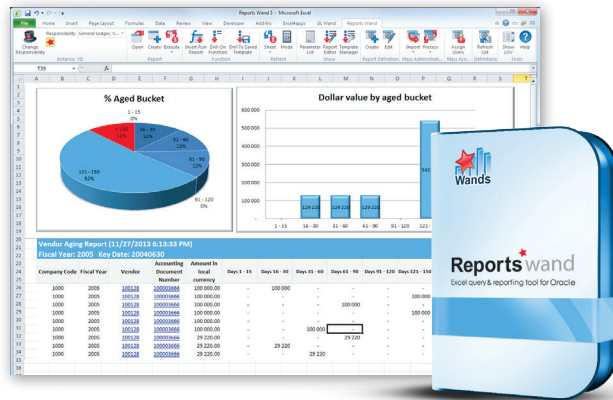
Use Excel as our front end to Oracle General Ledger Budgeting functionality. Users can meet their important financial budgeting and forecasting requirements, all with minimal setup and support.

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Reports Wand 5

Report on all modules in E-Business Suite.

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