

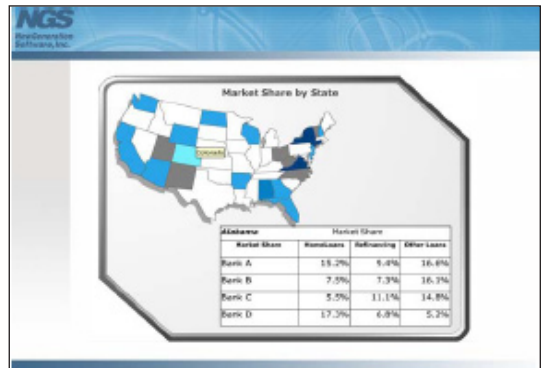
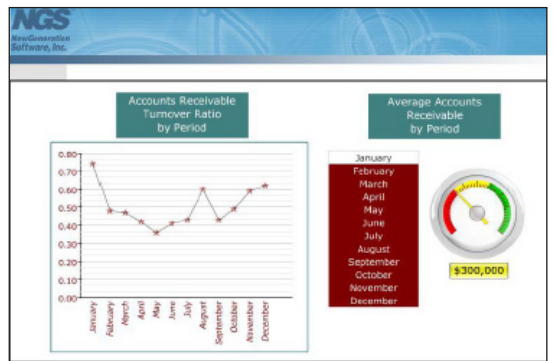
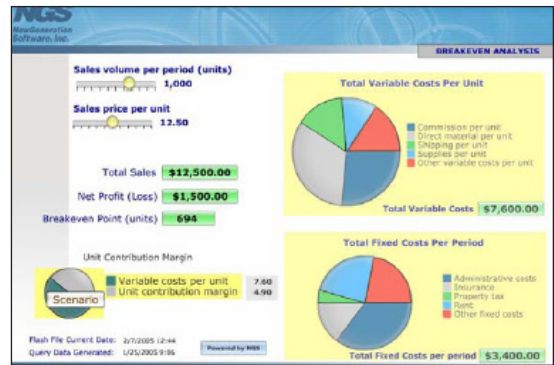
The *NGS Business Performance Dashboard* is a complete information delivery solution that gives an organization the ability to view, present, and interact with live business data in a flexible, graphical format from a Web browser. Presentations can include charts, tables, gauges, maps, and other visualization tools to help make business information easy to see, understand, and analyze at a glance.

Financial reports, management scorecards, sales performance presentations, board-level reports, and other critical information can be quickly transformed from static numbers into dynamic, interactive presentations that support filtering along various business dimensions, what-if analysis, and more. No programming is required. In fact, most dashboard designers are business analysts with Microsoft® Excel skills and a feel for how best to graphically represent the underlying business data. End users with Web browser navigation skills can point and click their way through the dashboards with ease.

### What's Included

The *NGS Business Performance Dashboard* includes an application development module for dashboard creators, a license to distribute the dashboards to users, plus a starter kit of over 100 dashboards to help you manage the following areas:

- Sales
- Customer Relationship Management
- Finance



- Human Resources
- Customer Service
- Inventory
- Marketing
- Production

Each of these sample *NGS Business Performance Dashboard* modules comes with the supporting files needed to support further de-

velopment and deployment. Customization is easy, and the results are stunning.

### **How It Works**

The *NGS Business Performance Dashboard* leverages *NGS-IQ™*, the IBM i (AS/400) DB2 database, Microsoft Excel, and Adobe® Flash. *NGS-IQ* is used to extract the needed data and create the XML files and Excel sheets linked to the dashboards. Users design the dashboards by choosing the graphic components to present the data. Then, they export the dashboards as Adobe Flash files that can be displayed, distributed via e-mail, or published on any Web server. Dashboards also can be exported to



HTML; Microsoft PowerPoint™, Outlook™, Word, and SharePoint™; and Adobe PDF. Users can instantly take advantage of the dashboard design to view charts and maps as well as filter and analyze the data. Users can design their dashboards to update automatically when they run the associated *NGS-IQ* queries that generate the underlying XML files. By combining the power of *NGS-IQ* with IBM or third-party job scheduling software, these updates can be automated to satisfy unique business needs.

### **Software Requirements**

The *NGS Business Performance Dashboard* development module requires the *NGS-IQ* enterprise reporting and business intelligence solution, Windows 2000 or XP, Microsoft Excel Professional Edition 2003 or higher, and the royalty-free Adobe Flash Player software.

Dashboard viewers may run older versions of Windows but need a Web browser and the Flash Player software. They do not need the *NGS Business Performance Dashboard* development software or Microsoft Excel.

### **About NGS**

NGS, an advanced member of IBM PartnerWorld, has been providing information solutions for IBM's midrange computing platforms since 1982. NGS' business intelligence and enterprise reporting solutions are used worldwide by thousands of private and public sector enterprises of all sizes. These organizations have successfully deployed the *NGS-IQ* solution to meet data access needs ranging from query and reporting to OLAP and data warehousing.

NGS provides toll-free technical support, software maintenance, online training videos, and formal classroom training to ensure its customers can use their NGS software effectively.

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