

Visualization tools can put your agency's collected data in the picture

Company	Product	Type	Platforms	Key features	Data sources	Client deployment targets	Development environments	Price
Advanced Visual Systems Inc. Waltham, Mass. 800-728-1600 www.avs.com	Gsharp Web Edition	Data visualization	Alpha, Linux, Open-VMS, SGI, Solaris, Unix, Windows	20 standard graph types, script programming, batch mode, object editors	ASCII, binary, ODBC SQL, Oracle	Web browser	Gsharp Script Language	Unavailable at press time
	OpenViz 2.4	Data visualization	Linux, Mac, Windows	Large dataset support, OpenGL- and Java-based renderers; new Scalable Vector Graphics, Gantt charts	ASCII, binary, OLAP, spreadsheets, SQL, XML, others	ActiveX or Java plug-in	ActiveX/COM (C++, Delphi, Visual Basic), JavaBeans (Visual Café, Jdeveloper)	Unavailable at press time
Advisor Solutions Inc. Downers Grove, Ill. 630-971-5250 www.advisorolutions.com	Advisor 3.0	Data visualization	Windows desktop, server	New interactive geocoded maps, enhanced components, Web deployment, simplified installation	Excel, flat files, ODBC, OLEDB, others	Advisor Workbench (user interface), ActiveX components, Web browser	C++, Javascript, VBScript, Visual Basic	\$5,000 and up
Antarctica Systems Inc. Vancouver, British Columbia 866-638-6277 www.antarctica.net	Visual Net 3	Visual search and navigation	Linux, Unix, Windows (via OApache Web server)	Browsable subject maps, native Inktomi and Google API integration, 2-D and 3-D maps	Tab delimited, RDL, XML, Antarctica SQL database	Web browser	Web Services via Apache Web server	Varies by type and amount of data
Business Objects Americas Inc. San Jose, Calif. 800-527-0580 www.businessobjects.com	BusinessObjects Dashboard Manager	Business intelligence dashboard	Solaris, Windows	Customizable dashboards and scorecards, integrated metrics and rules engines, alerts	Various databases, OLAP cubes, metadata, flat files, Web, spreadsheets, others	Browser or ActiveX or Java plug-in	IDE for Sun ONE, Tomcat, WebLogic, WebSphere	\$1,000 per user; \$100,000 per server (minimum 25 users)
Cognos Inc. Ottawa 613-738-1440 www.cognos.com	Cognos Visualizer	Business intelligence dashboard	Unix, Windows	Central or distributed administration, centralized LDAP security, local languages	SQL-based metadata, Cognos PowerPlay, third-party OLAP cubes, Impromptu RDBMS, flat files, Excel	Web browser	Web Services-based API	\$400-\$600 (depending on configuration)
ESRI Redlands, Calif. 800-447-9778 www.esri.com	ArcView 8.3	GIS software	Windows	ArcMap (map development), Arc-Catalog (metadata views), Arc Toolbox (data conversion), thematic maps, wizards	ODBC, OLEDB, ESRI data/maps, metadata, XML, Access, dBase, text	Windows desktop	ArcScripts, Visual Basic for Applications, any COM-compliant language	\$1,500
	ArcView Business Analyst 2	GIS software	Windows	Bundled business, demographic data, Network Analyst (routing and drive-time), Crystal Reports, market-analysis wizards	ODBC, OLEDB, ESRI data/maps, metadata, XML, Access, dBase, text	Windows desktop	ArcScripts, Visual Basic for Applications, any COM-compliant language	\$11,995
Groxis Inc. Sausalito, Calif. 415-331-0550 www.groxis.com	Enterprise Grokker 3.0	Visual search and navigation	Mac, Windows	Embeddable in Web pages, server push, optional shared maps, unlimited records	Metadata	Web browser	SDK and APIs included	\$25,000
	Grokker 1.0	Visual search and navigation	Mac, Windows	Categorizes hard drive, Web sites, networked databases; save graphical maps of results	Metadata	Web browser	SDK and APIs available	\$99
Hyperion Solutions Corp. Sunnyvale, Calif. 800-286-8000 www.hyperion.com	Hyperion Analyzer Release 6.5	Data visualization	AIX, Solaris, Windows	Custom dashboards, advanced filtering, event reporting; requires Hyperion Essbase	Relational databases, Hyperion Essbase, financial management, planning applications	Web browser or Java plug-in	Any J2EE-compliant tool; API toolkit included	Unavailable at press time
Inxight Software Inc. Sunnyvale, Calif. 888-414-4949 www.inxight.com	Inxight SmartDiscovery 3.0	Unstructured data discovery & display	Solaris, Windows	Assisted taxonomy creation and management, full-text search, support for 12 languages	70 file formats (including e-mail, HTML, Office, PDF, XML)	Web browser	C++, Java, Java Tag Library; Apache, Tomcat, WebLogic, WebSphere servers	\$250,000 and up per server
	Inxight VizServer	Data visualization	AIX, Linux, Solaris, Windows	Star Tree navigation and Table Lens analysis	JDBC, MySQL, Notes, Oracle, SQL Server, Sybase, XML	Web browser	Any J2EE-compliant tool (optional SDKs available)	\$50,000 and up per server
MapInfo Corp. Troy, N.Y. 518-285-6000 www.mapinfo.com	MapInfo Professional 7.0	GIS software	Windows	Crystal Reports 8.5, geocoding, SQL querying, 3-D stereoscopic, thematic maps, redistricting, analysis tools	Delimited ASCII, Excel, Lotus 1-2-3, .MDB, .DBF; grid, raster, vector files, Informix, Ingres, Oracle 8i Spatial, SQL Server, Sybase, ODBC, OCI	Windows desktop (Web browser with optional MapInfo Discovery)	C++, MapBasic, PowerBuilder, VisualBasic, raster, grid, interpolation APIs	\$1,495 per named user
MicroStrategy Inc. McLean, Va. 866-966-6787 www.microstrategy.com	MicroStrategy Desktop 7.2	Business intelligence dashboard	Windows	200 analytical functions, 30 charting options, directory security	Access, DB/2, Excel, Informix, Oracle, SQL Server, Sybase, Teradata, others	Windows desktop, Web browser	Any COM-compliant language (ASPs, C++, Visual Basic), Java, XML, Web services	\$995 per user
	MicroStrategy Web Universal 7.3.1	Business intelligence dashboard	Linux, Unix, Windows	30 charting options, platform independence, portal integration	Access, DB/2, Excel, Informix, Oracle, SQL Server, Sybase, Teradata, others	Web browser	JavaBeans, Web services	\$295 per user, \$30,000 per server processor
SAS Institute Inc. Cary, N.C. 919-677-8000 www.sas.com	Enterprise Guide Version 2.0	Business intelligence dashboard	Windows (others via SAS Integration Module)	OLAP viewers, statistical analysis, report publishing	Base SAS, ODBC, OLEDB, DB/2, Oracle, others	Windows desktop	C++ APIs (upcoming release)	\$6,544 per user GSA, includes Base SAS 9.1
	SAS/GRAPH	Data visualization	Unix, Windows	Server-based chart development, statistical visualization, SAS/GIS	Base SAS, ODBC, OLEDB, DB/2, Oracle, Sybase, others	Web browser	SAS Procedures scripting, SAS AppDevStudio (optional Java tool)	\$6,544 per user GSA, includes Base SAS 9.1
	SAS/INSIGHT	Data visualization	Unix, Windows	Statistical analysis, modeling	Base SAS, ODBC, OLEDB, DB/2, Oracle, Sybase, others	Web browser	None	\$6,544 per user GSA includes Base SAS 9.1