

Tackling Unique Business Challenges With Dynamic Planning

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Your Speakers



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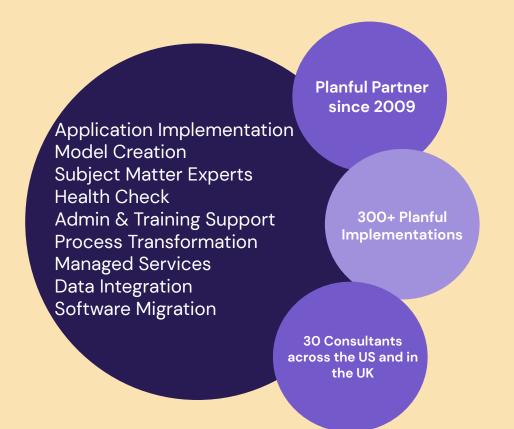
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Multi-faceted, full-service teams that specialize in:

- Data Integration
- Project Management
- Implementation
- Managed Services









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Let's get started

Crawl, Walk, Run Methodology

Walk

Expand dynamic planning by taking advantage of out-of-box functionality

Crawl

Find simple use cases that can leverage dynamic planning.

Run

Elevate business processes by unlocking advanced dynamic planning features





Dynamic Planning Starters

What is the business case for using dynamic planning? Let's talk basics.

Common Dynamic Planning Use Cases

OpEx Planning

- o Are you constantly updating your input templates with new accounts or adding more budget entities?
- o Dynamic Planning allows for more freedom in template design and eliminates the need for budget entities

Balance Sheet Planning

- o Do you have Excel models that are easier to maintain offline because of complex rules and formulas?
- O Dynamic Planning allows for easy migration of Excel models onto the Planful platform with familiar screens

Project & Sales Planning

- o Do you want to plan at a dimension that is currently not in your Planful structure?
- o Dynamic Planning unlocks the ability to capture data at a more detailed level

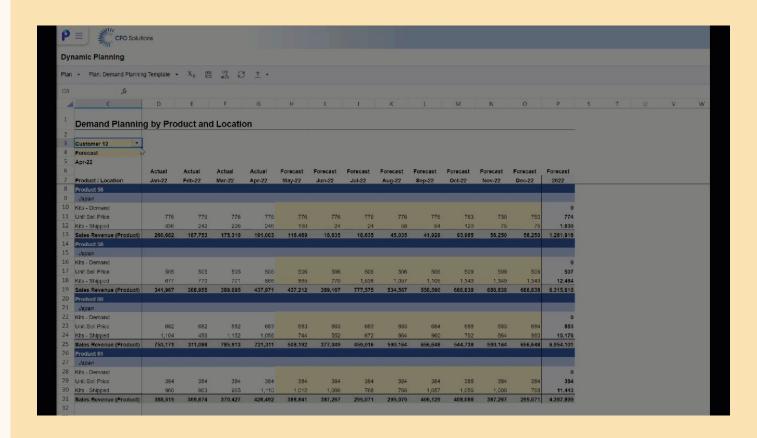


Cascade Reporting

Here is an example of a cascade report.

If an end user changes the POV, the entire report refreshes based on the new selections.

In comparison, structured planning would require an end user to change budget entity.







Reimagine Breakback

Let's talk about how we have seen the out-of-box functionality leveraged effectively.

What even is Breakback?

Did you know?

If you own Dynamic Planning, then you already own breakback. Breakback is an out-of-box functionality built into the Planful platform that allows for quick top-down adjustments or swift changes to any plan or forecast.

Breakback is a spreading method where you provide data at a parent level and then Dynamic Planning allocates it down to leaf levels.

What does that mean?

Since Dynamic Planning does not allow data to be entered at a parent level and saved, without Breakback, you would have to enter each leaf-level data item.

Breakback lets you start with the top level and provide the desired target data or percentage change in the current data, then Breakback automatically allocates the data down.



What do our customers have to say about Breakback?

"We use it at the end of forecasting cycle to make those last minute changes. We are always getting requests to adjust the numbers by X% and Breakback makes that so simple."

"Breakback has made our sales planning easier. We are constantly tweaking our product mix and Breakback allows us to hold certain products steady while changing our total to get to the target."

"What used to be a process where we would have to go into template by template to get to a number – we just use Breakback and within a few clicks - we get to the same spot."

-Healthcare FP&A Admin

-Manufacturing Director

-Retail FP&A Analyst

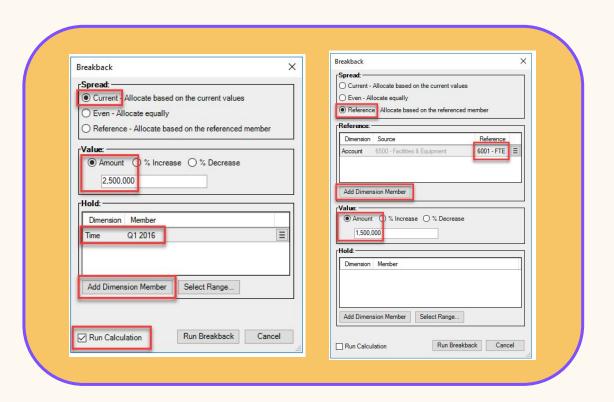


Breakback Spread Methods

Breakback has three key spread methods:

- Current
- Even
- Reference

Each have a different use case – let us explain.





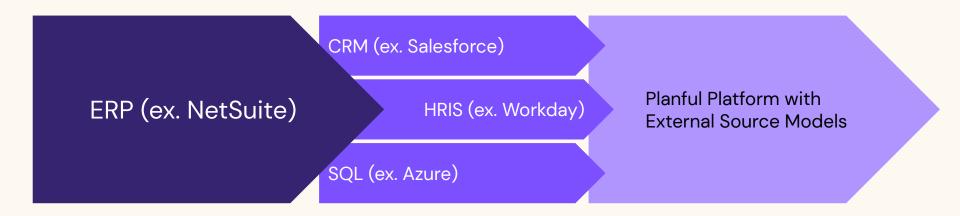


Elevate with External Source Models

Now that you are ready to run – let's explore the Dynamic Planning functionality that can transform a process.

Let's explain the concept of External Source Models

External Source Models expand the use of the Planful platform by leveraging other data sources available within the organization to get to a complete forecasting process.





"External Source Models allowed us to forecast our complete subscription model by connecting to Salesforce and importing our >5M contracts"

-SaaS Company Senior Director



Benefits and Use Cases of External Source Models

Benefits

- Leverage data that is outside of your basic
 GL data
- Ability to add calculations on data sets (columns) or transaction (conditions)
- Incorporate Lookup formulas on a Date field
- Normalize inconsistent data and clean-up bad data sets
- Collapse and summarize lots of records with efficiency
- Utilize familiar Excel-like formulas

Use Cases

- Capital Expense Planning
- Direct Labor Planning
- Annual Recurring Revenue Planning
- Transaction Exchange Model
- Acquisition Planning
- Allocations (Cost & Benefits)
- Sales by Unit Projections



External Source Model Formulas

External Source Models allow for transformations of data upon upload.

This creates a standard set of rules that is repeatable and secure.

A	В	C	D	E
Property	Value			
Source Model	Acquisition - Practice Starts Schedule			
Description				
Variable Name	Туре	Format	Value	
@START@	ConstantDate	MM/DD/YYYY	06/01/2021	
Expression Name	Value			
Field	Туре	Format	Expression	Include in Data Loa
Practice Entity ID	Text			Yes
Practice Type Numer	ic Numeric			Yes
Acquisition Start Mo	nth Date	MMM-YY		Yes
NO INPUT	Formula		"CALCULATED FIELDS >>"	No
Practice Type	Formula		IF([Practice Type Numeric]=1,"Standard","Large")	No
Acquisition Start Dat	e Formula	MM/DD/YYYY	DATE(MONTH([Acquisition Start Month]),1,YEAR([Acquisition Start Month]))	No
7 1	Formula		IF(DAYS([Acquisition Start Month],@START@)<0,0,DAYSFACTOR(@START@,EOMONTH(@START@,	35 No
3 2	Formula		IF(DAYS([Acquisition Start Month],@START@)<0,0,IF([1]>0,[1]+1,DAYSFACTOR(@START@,EOMONT	HNo
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So, what did we cover?

Let's review.

Crawl, Walk, Run with Dynamic Planning







Pick a good use case to start your Dynamic Planning journey.

Expand your use of Dynamic Planning by leveraging out-of-box functionality.

When you are ready, transform your business processes with External Source Models to take your planning process to the next level.



Q&A

What can we answer for you?

Also, please stop by our booth in the main hall to say hey!

