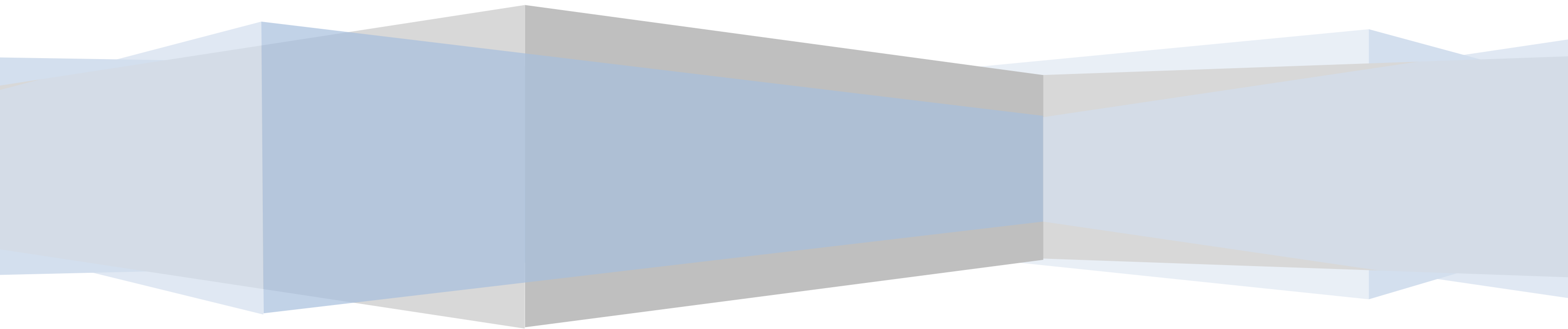


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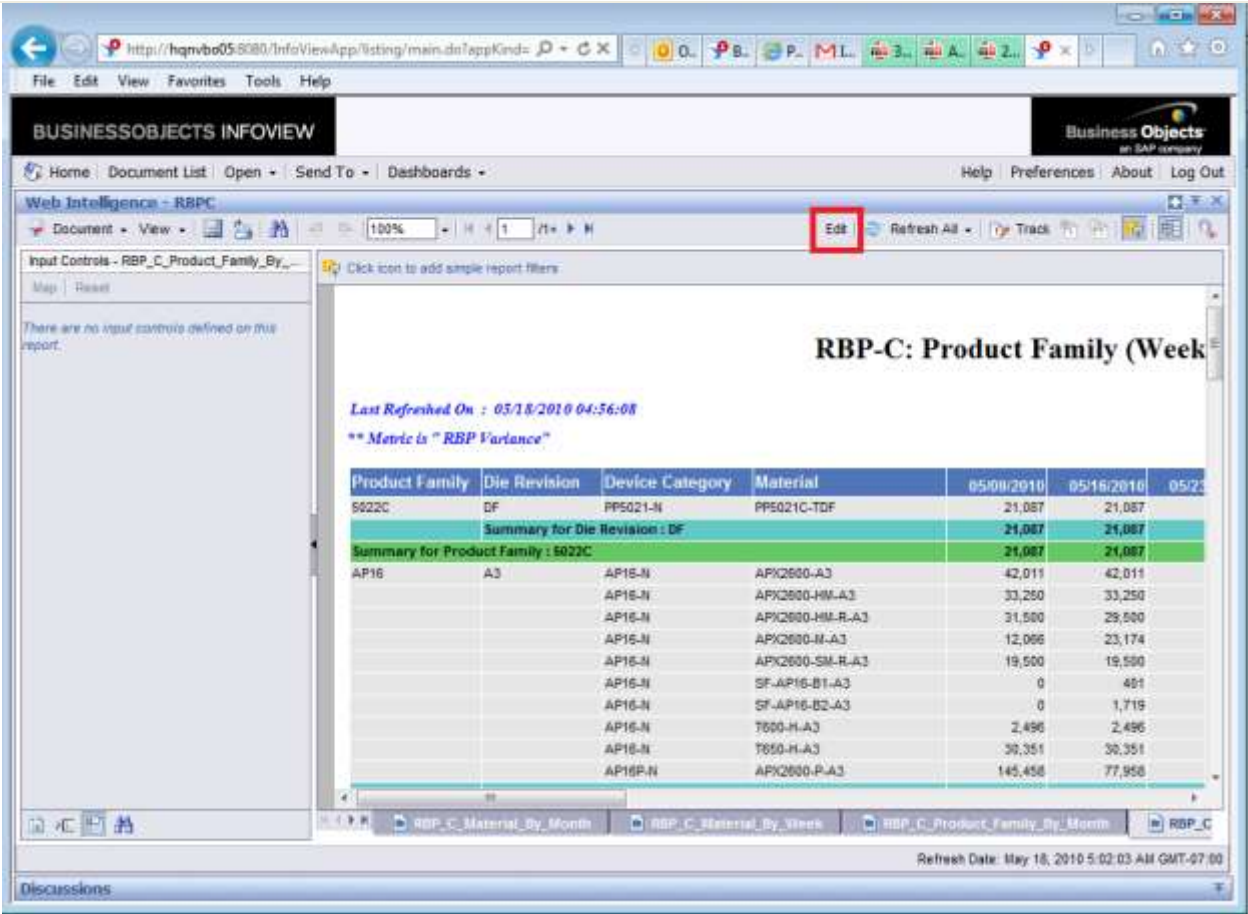
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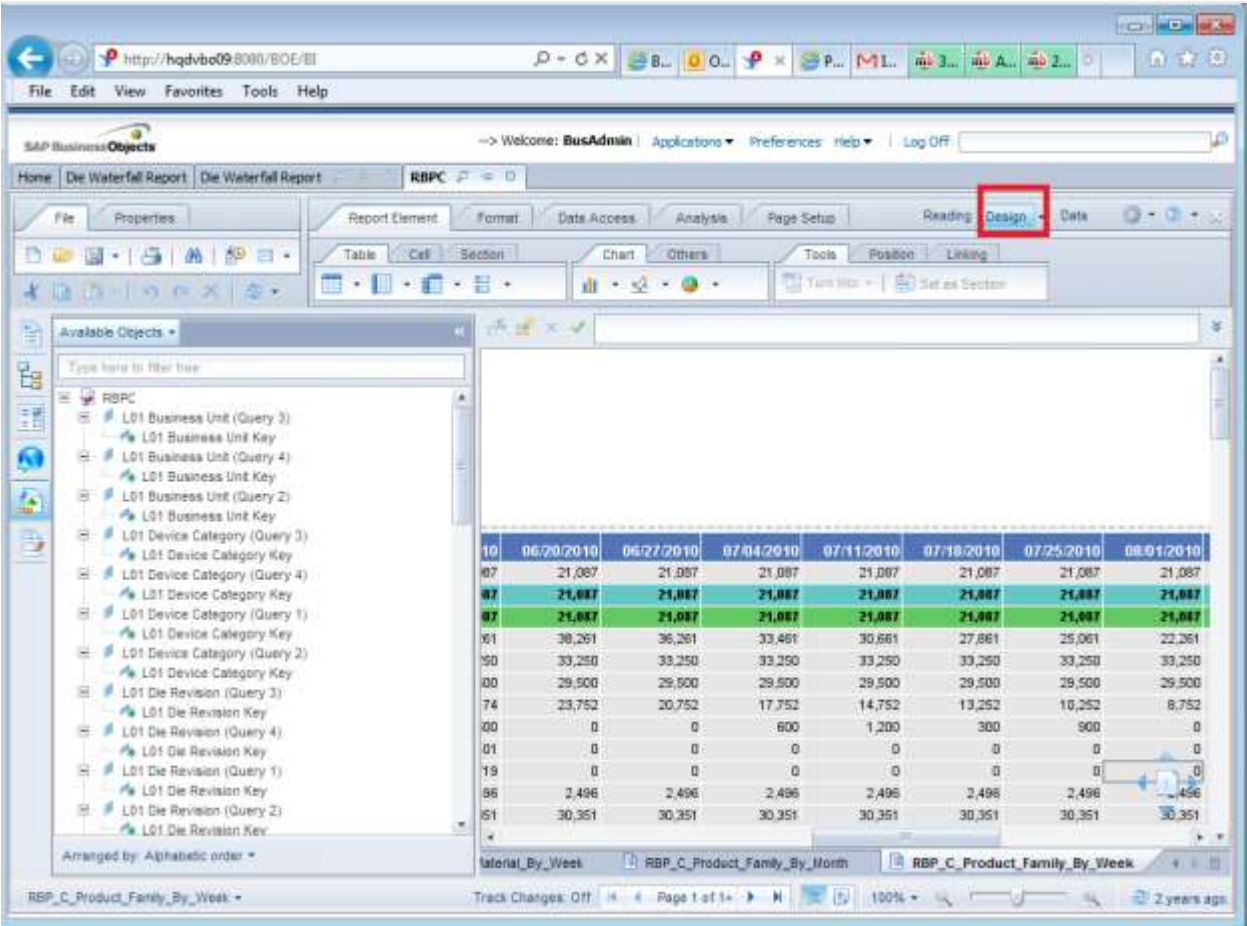
Editing the Report

To modify the existing report, click the Edit button as shown below. This opens the report in a Java interactive viewer:



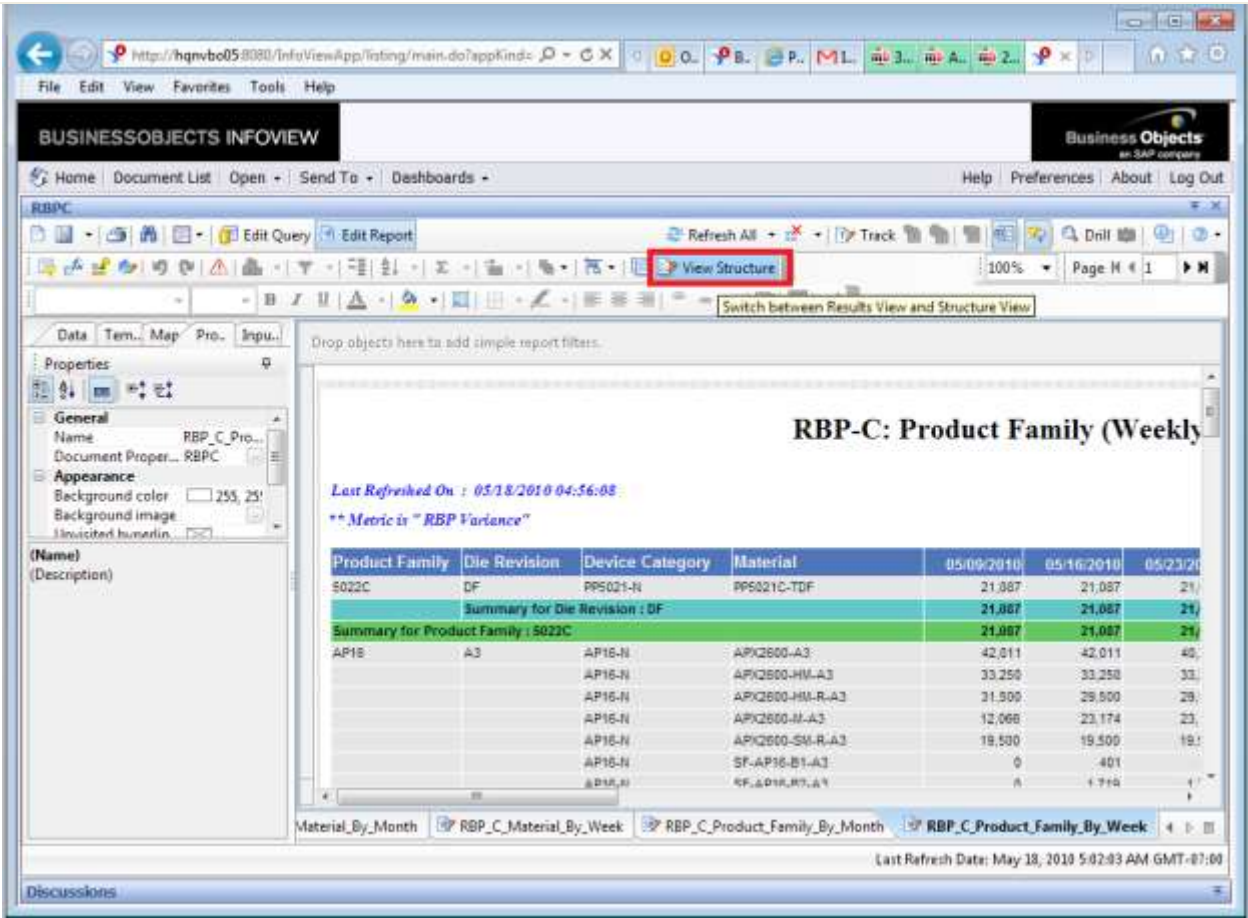
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To modify the report, click the Design button shown below:



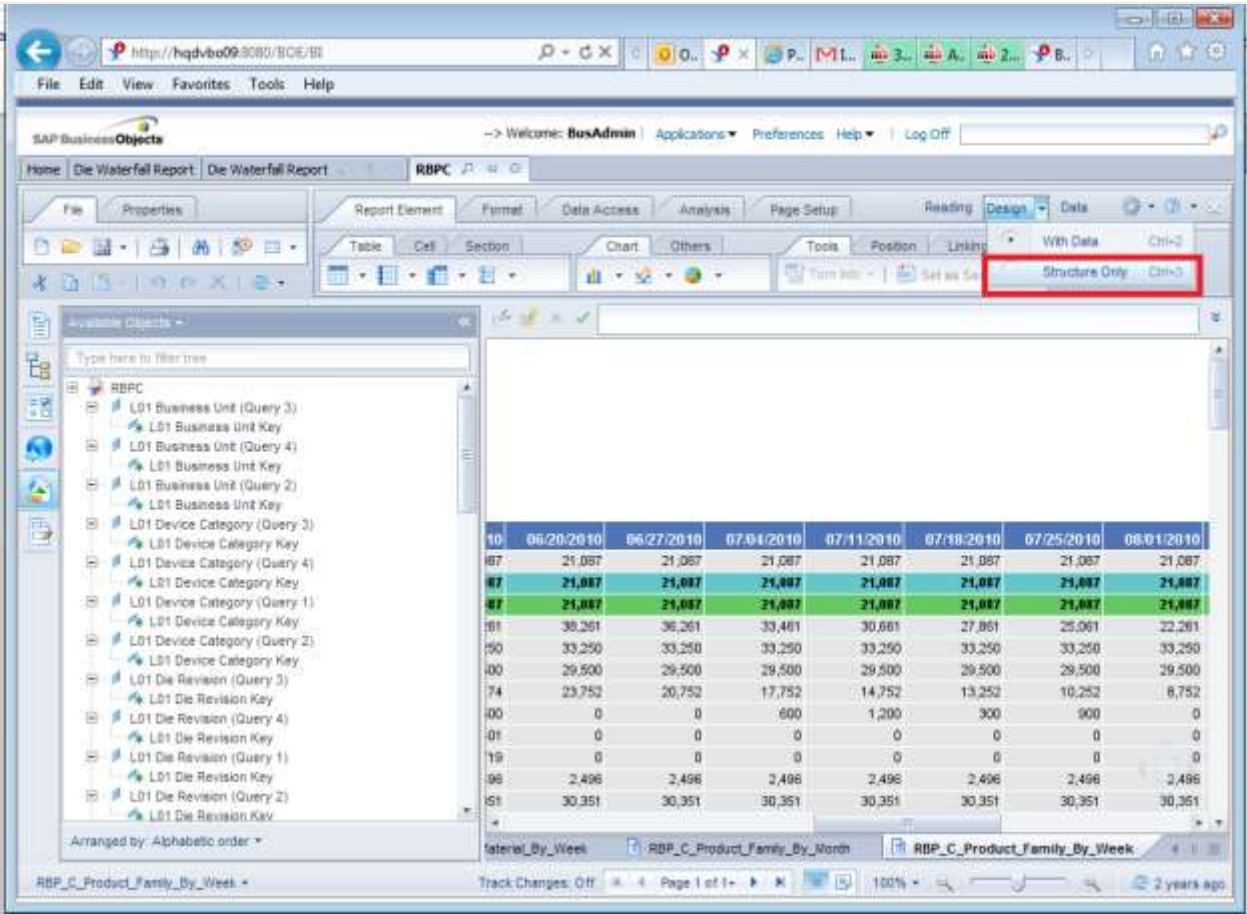
Viewing the Structure of the Report

To view the report’s structure, click the View Structure button on the toolbar.



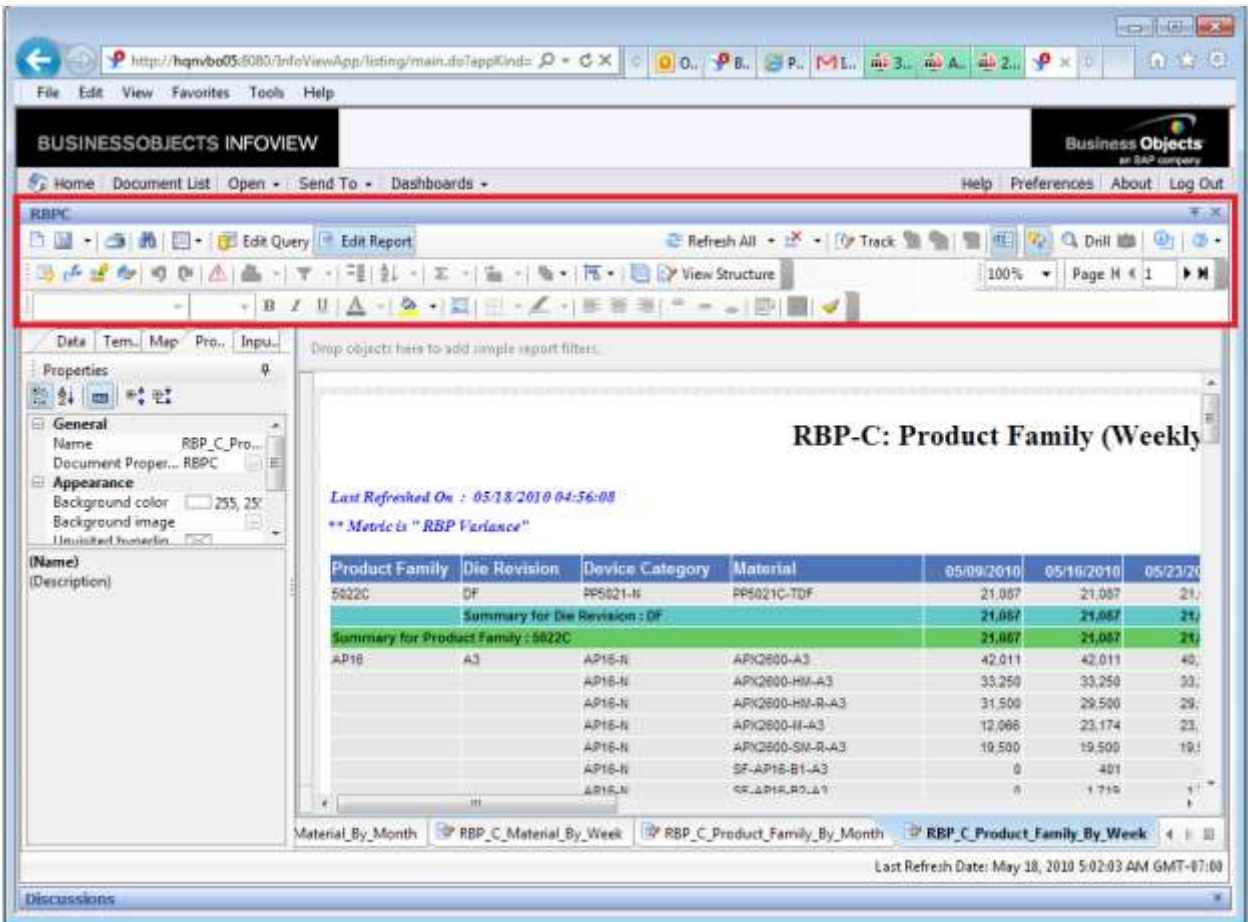
Viewing the Structure of the Report

To view the report structure, click the dropdown arrow of the Design button and select Structure Only.



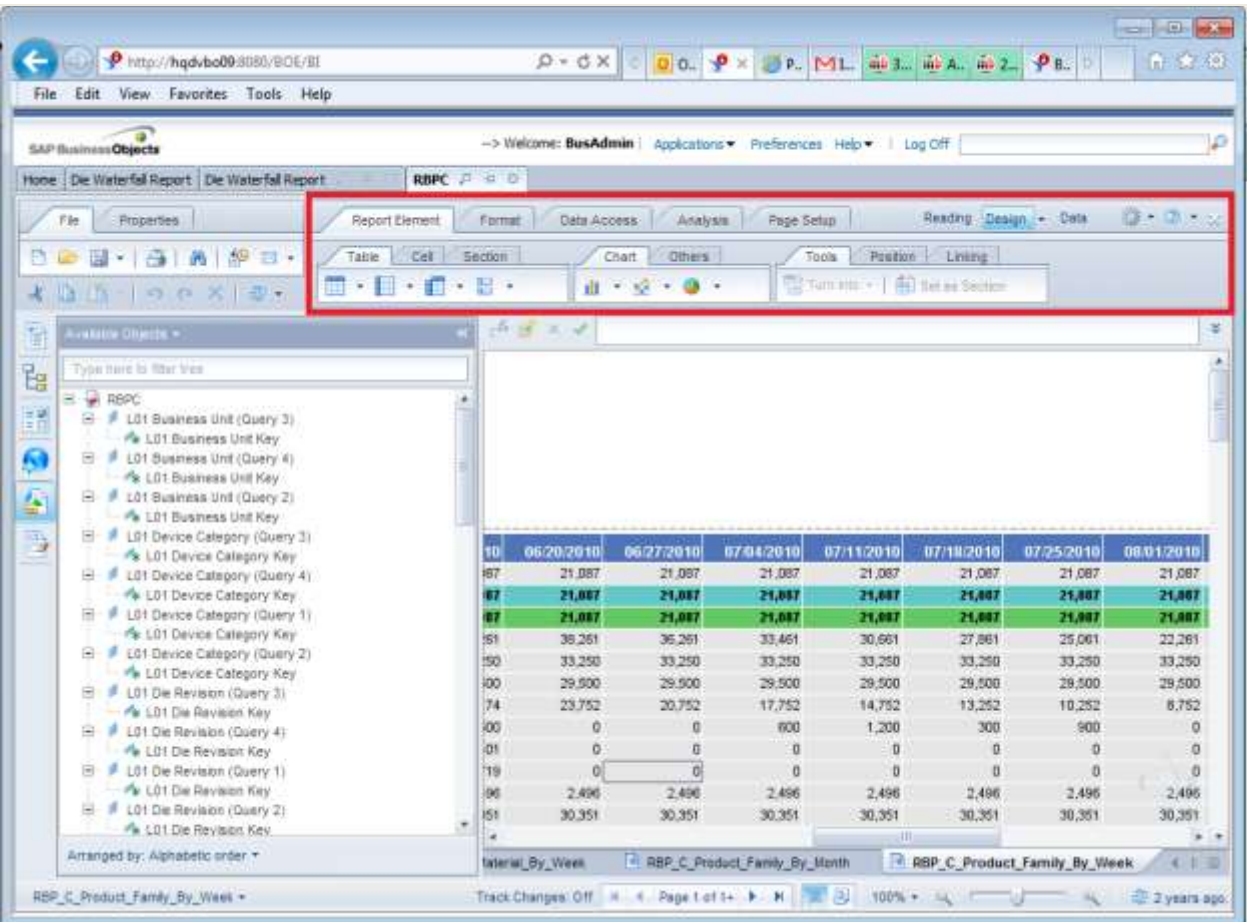
Toolbars

All the tools are scattered on the toolbar, which makes it difficult to access them.



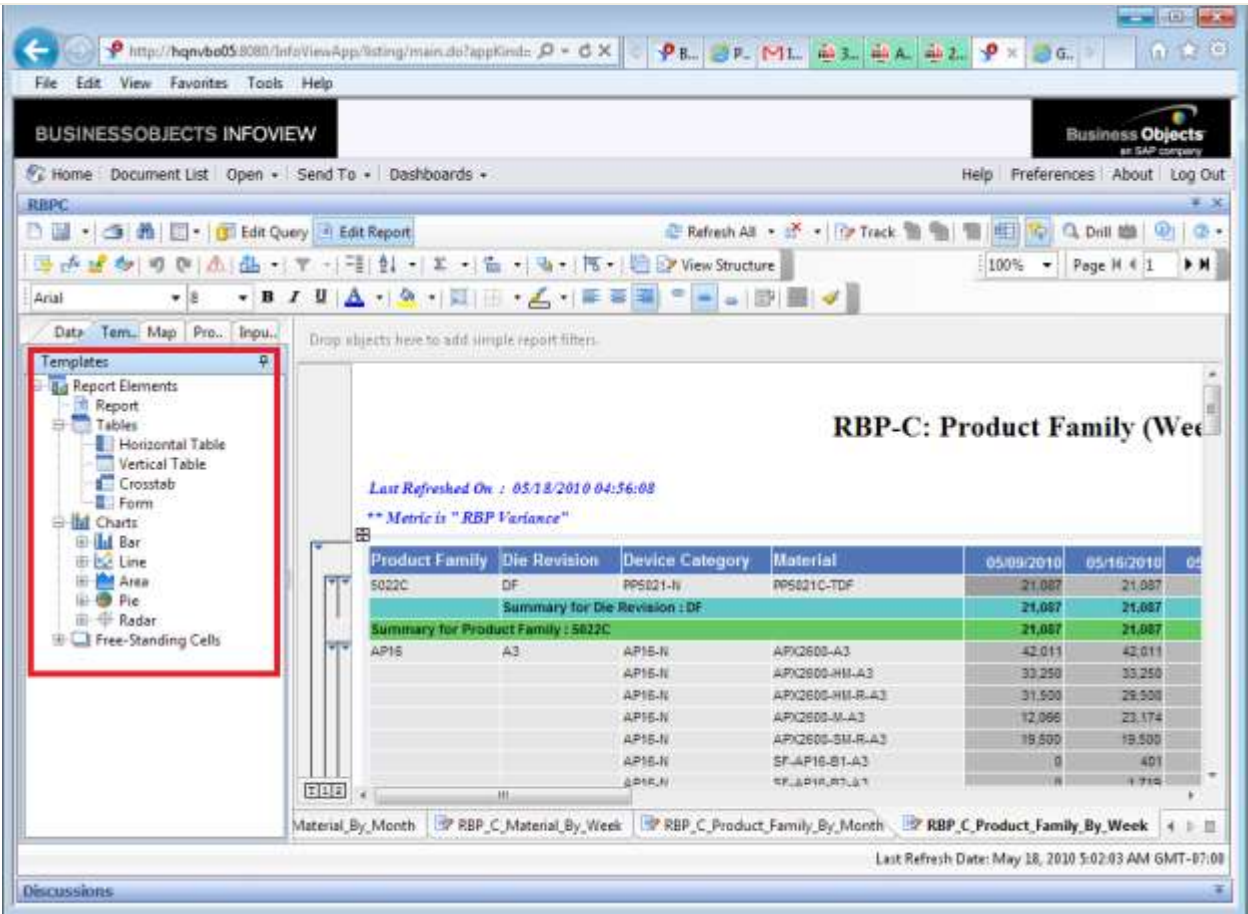
Toolbars

Access to the most commonly used features are logically grouped and prioritized in tabs as shown below.



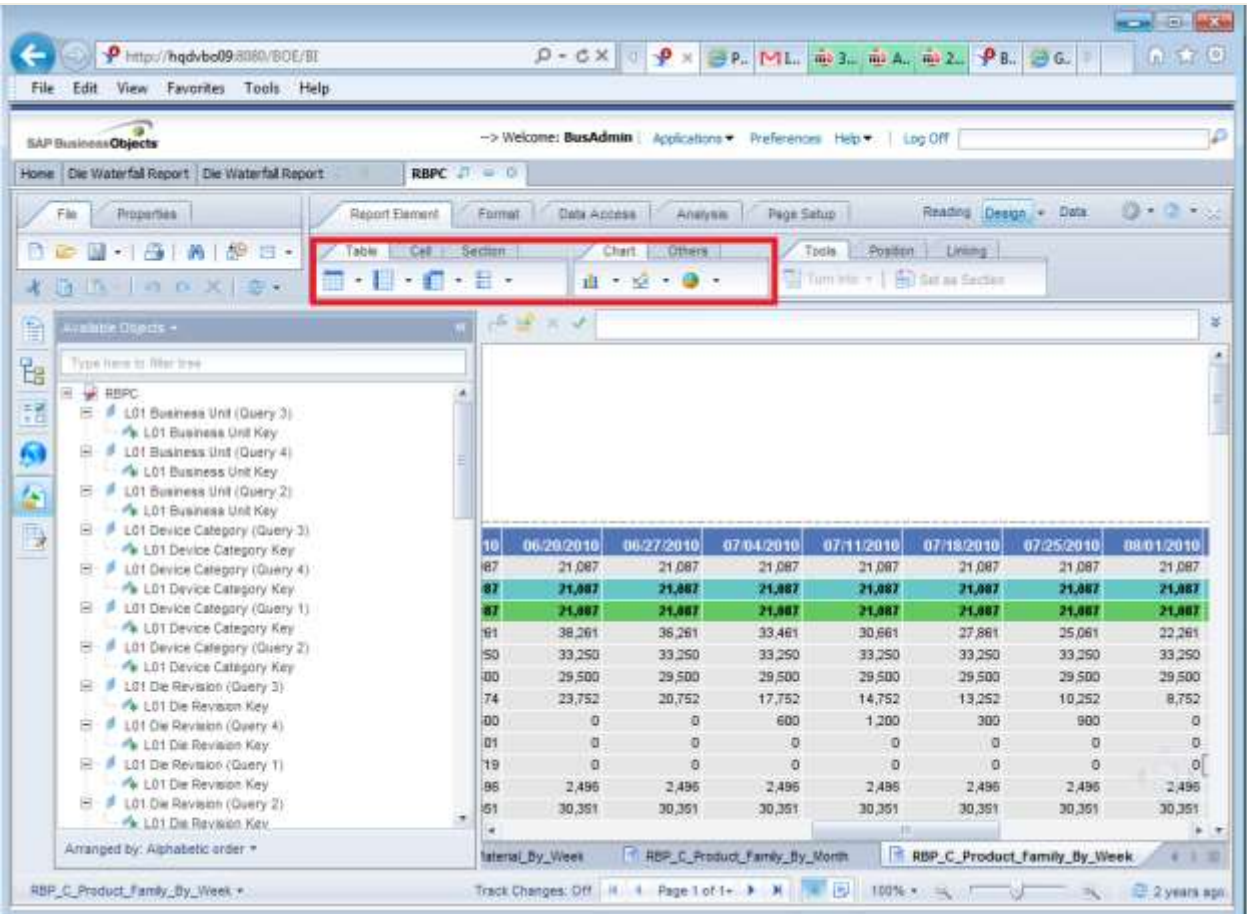
Adding Report Elements

To add any report element (e.g., a table, cross tab), access the Templates list in the left pane.



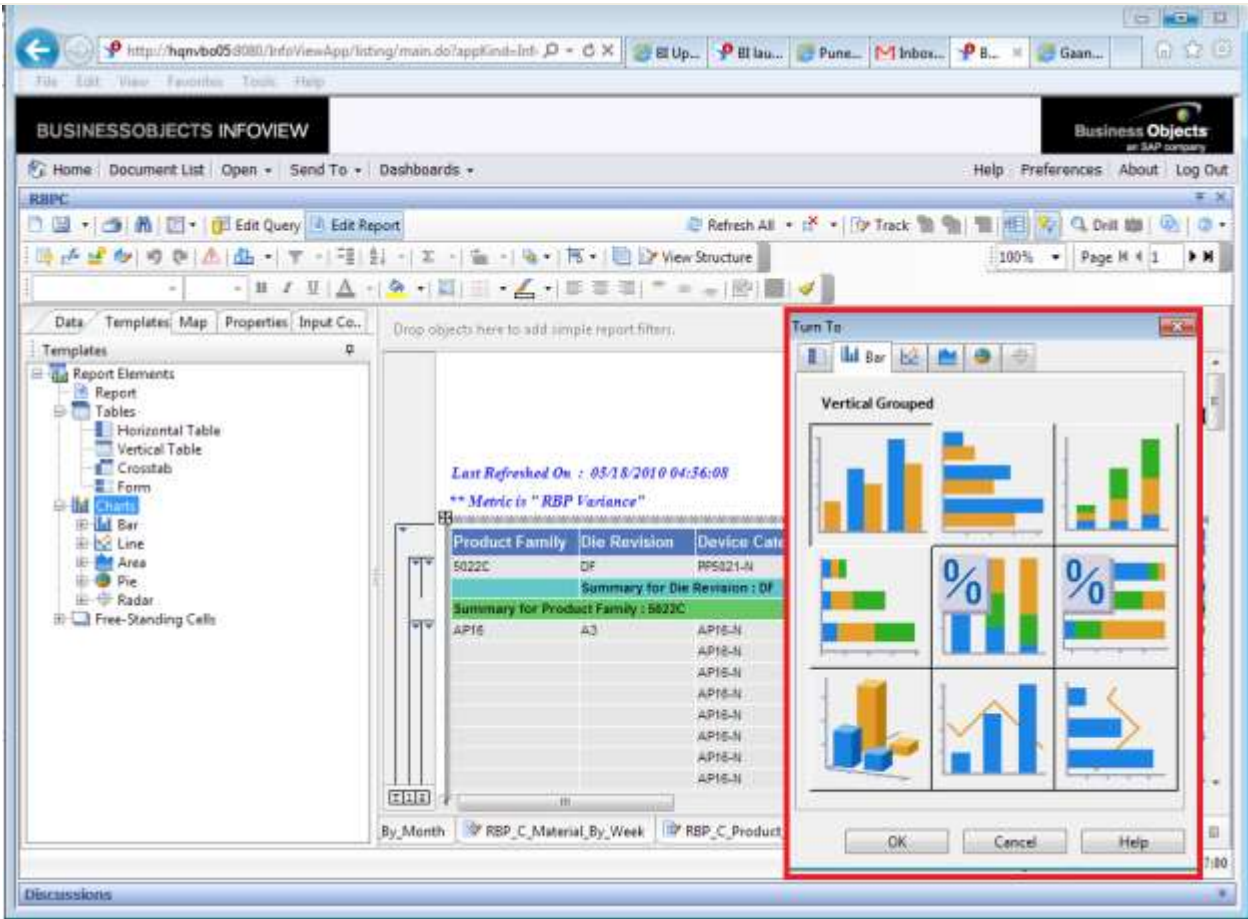
Adding Report Elements

All report elements are under the Report Element tab.



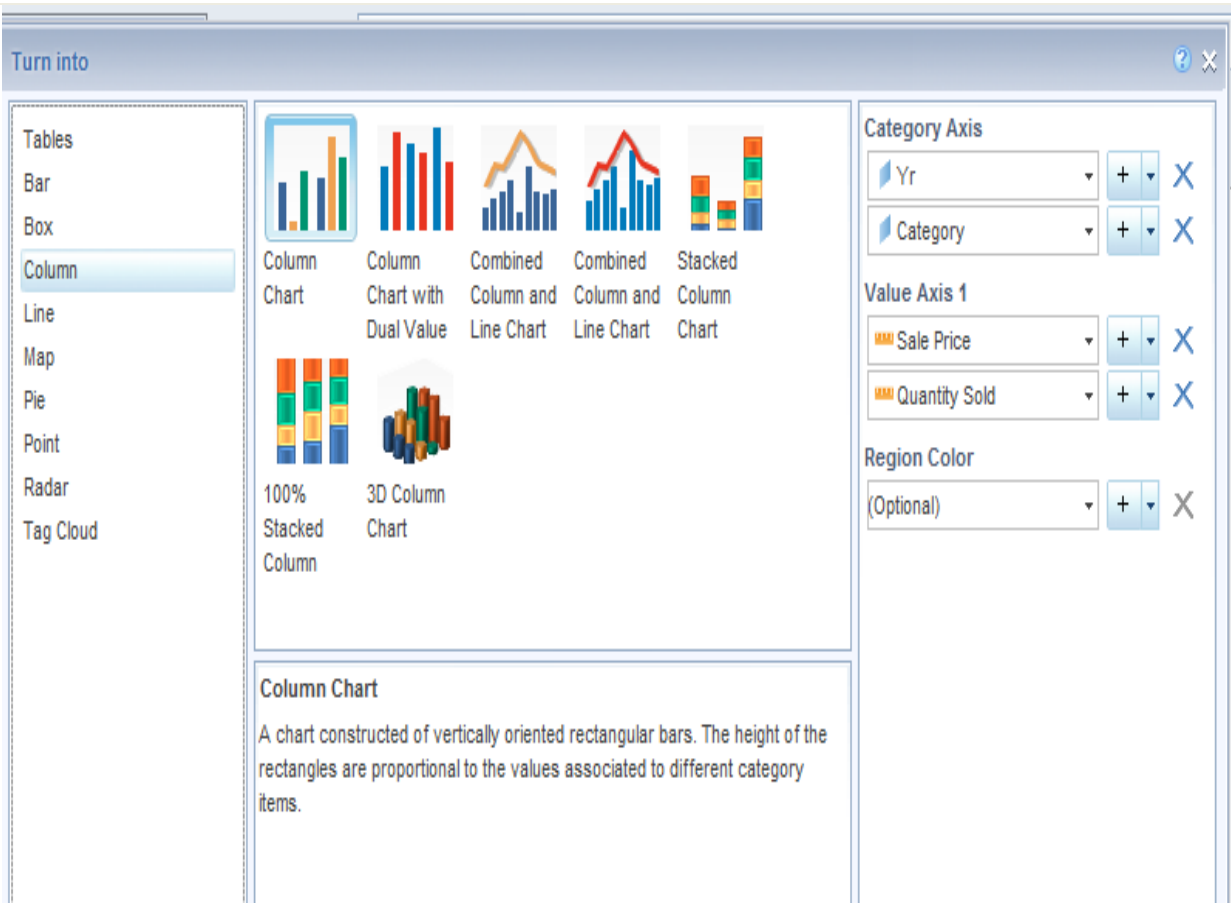
Charts

There are a limited number of charting options available.



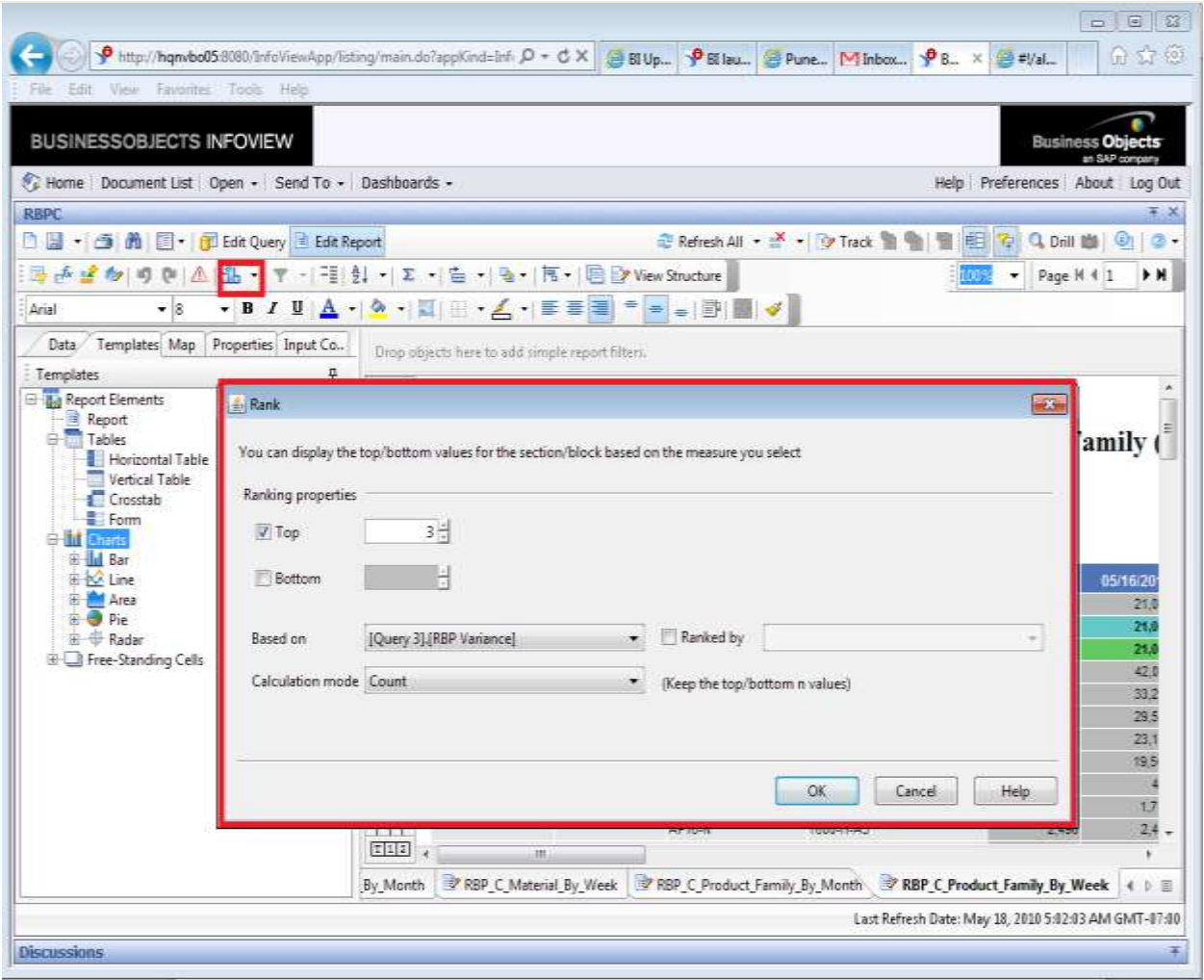
Charts

Interactive analysis charting uses new central chart library. The new chart types that have been introduced include bubble charts, heat maps, pie charts with depth, box charts, and tag clouds.



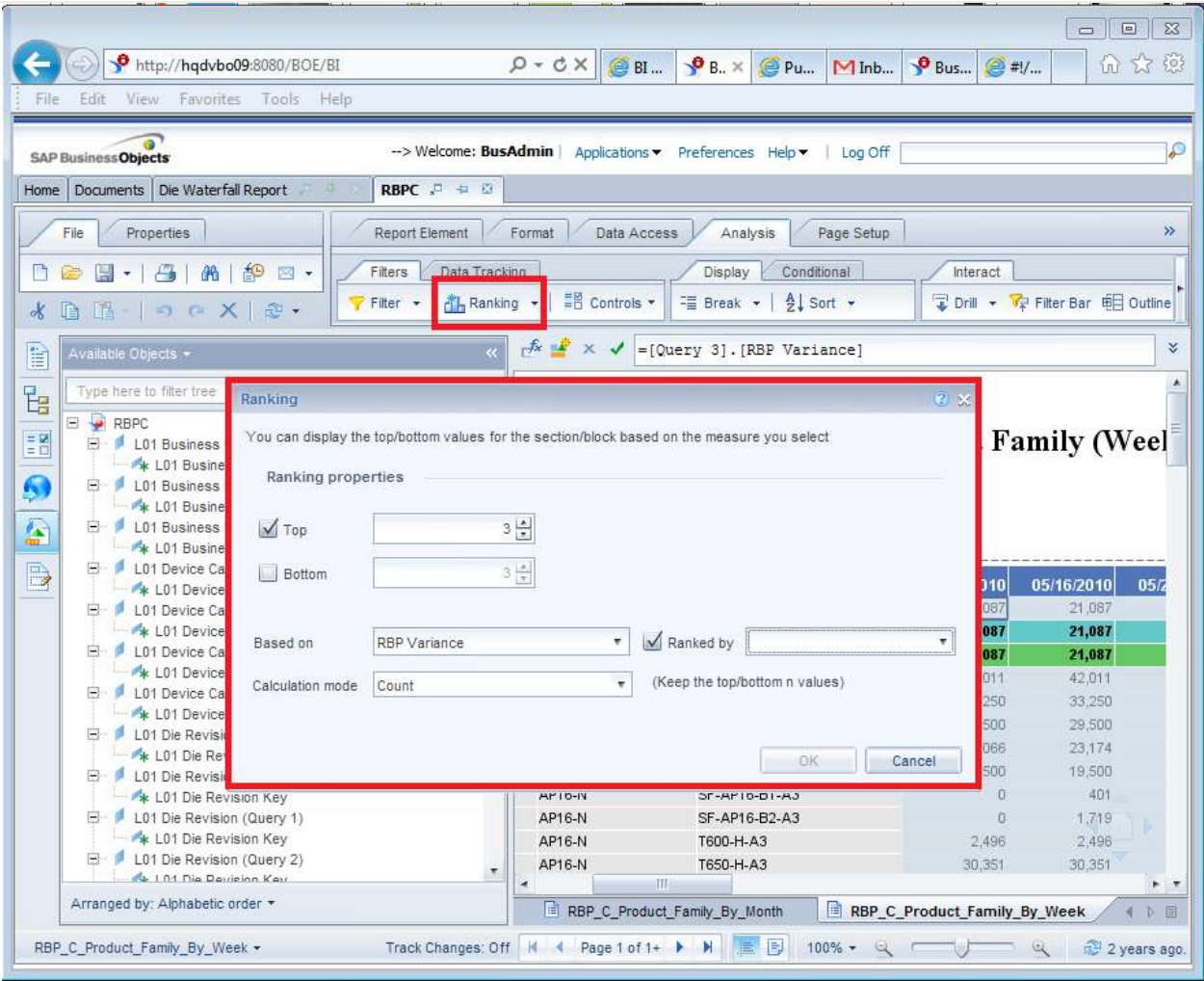
Ranking

To rank data, click the column to be ranked. Then click on the histogram icon as shown below.



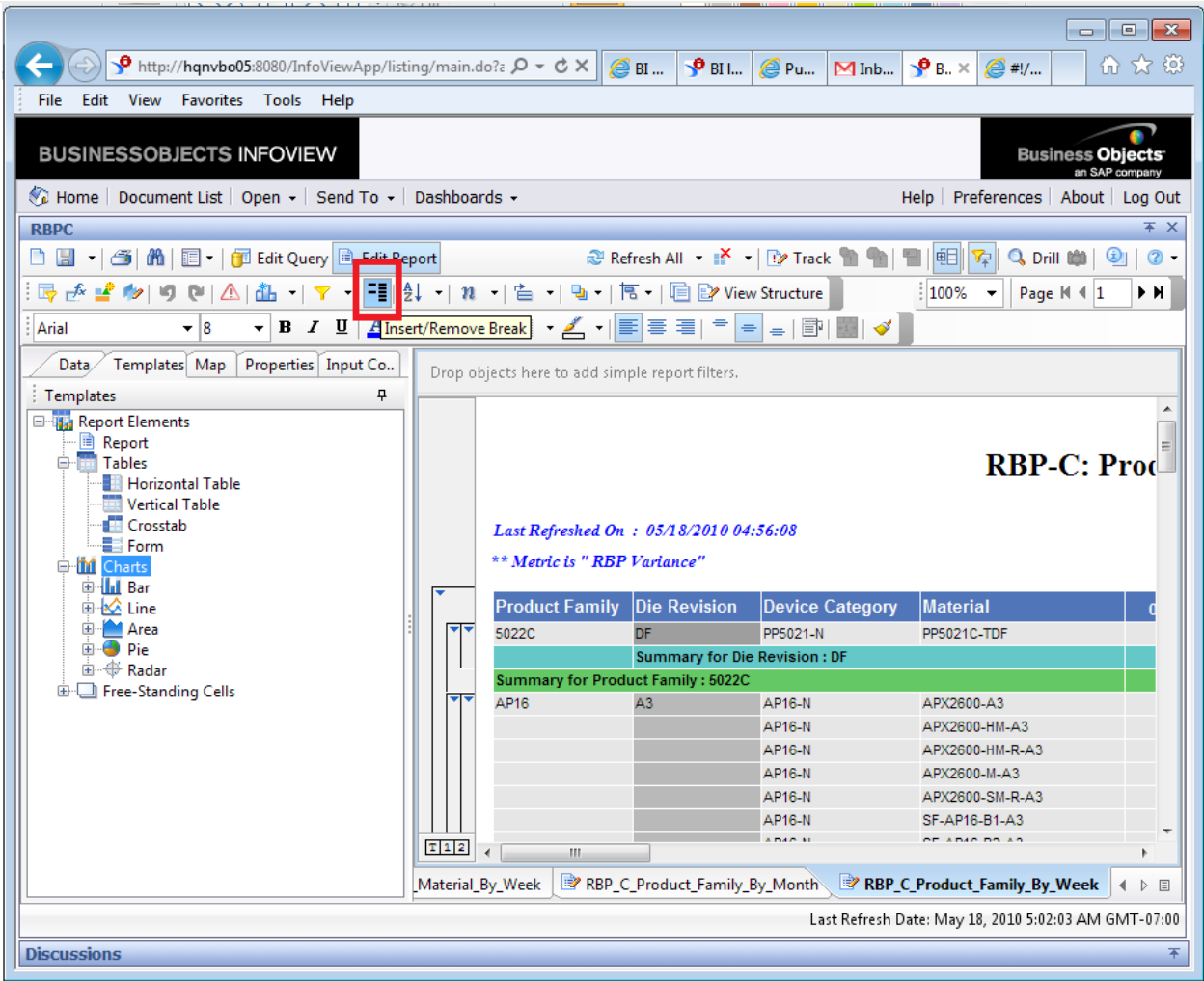
Ranking

The Ranking option is under the Analysis tab.



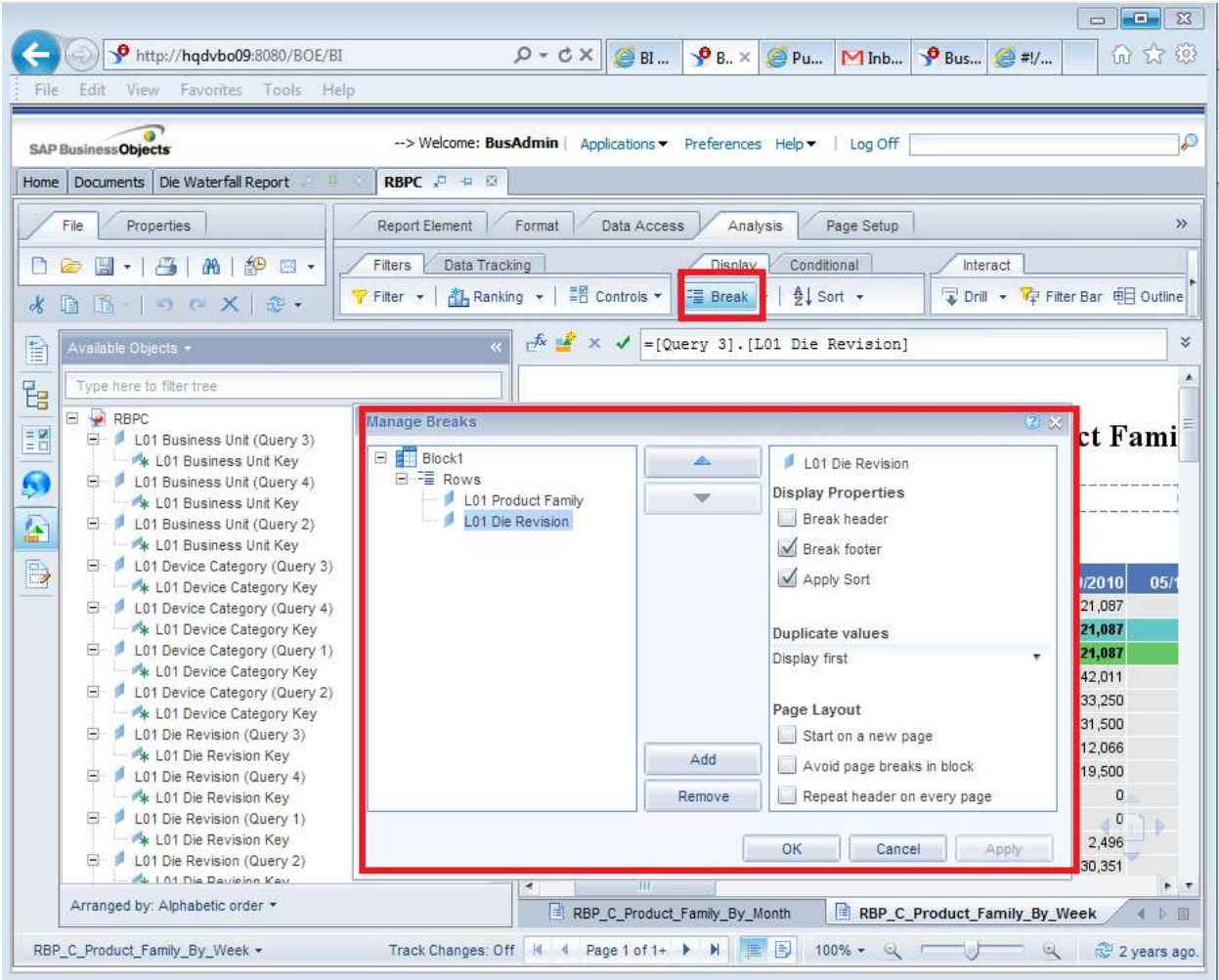
Breaks

To apply breaks in the report, click the column you want to apply the break to, and then click the break icon on the toolbar.



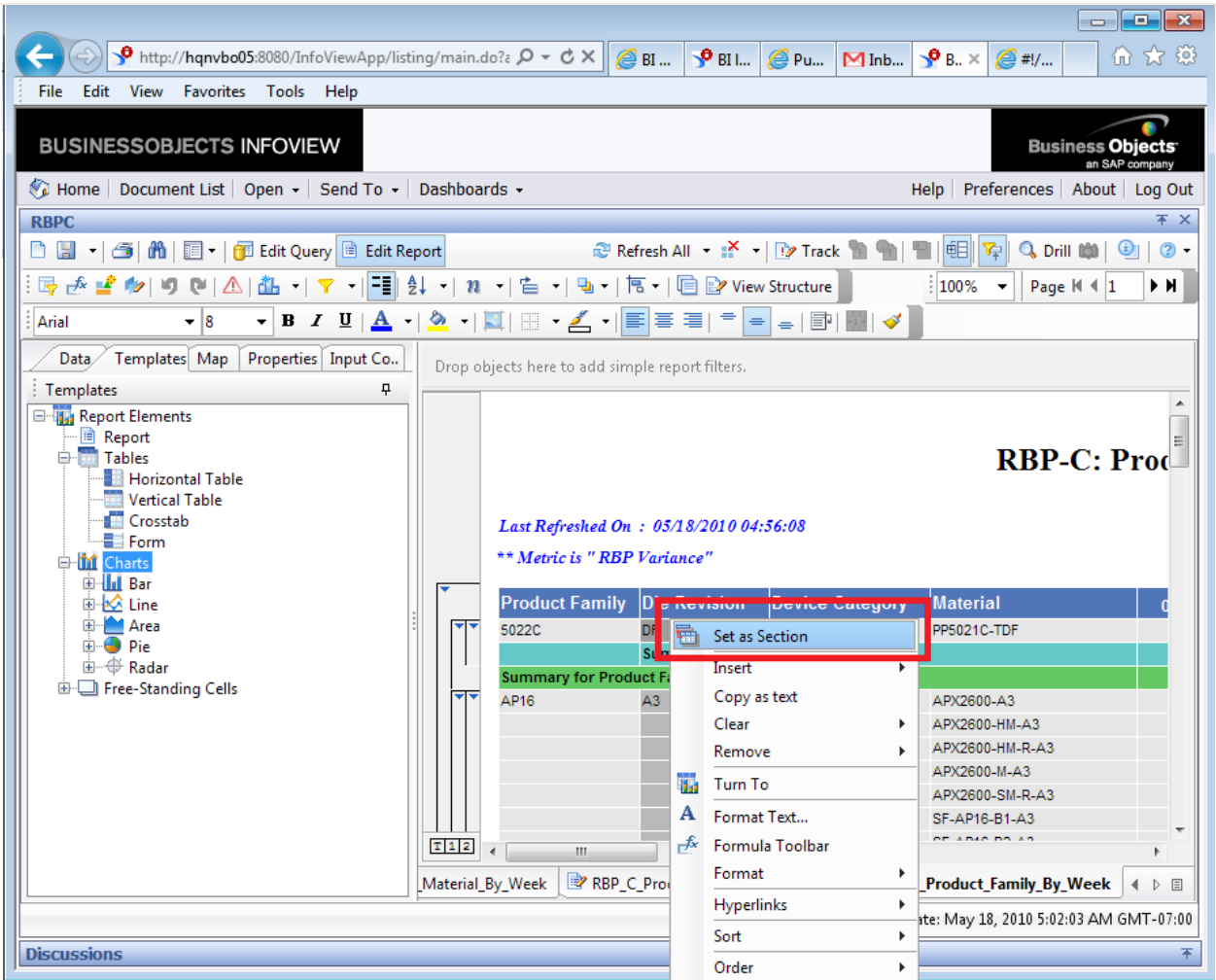
Breaks

The Break option can be accessed under the Analysis tab. By clicking Manage Breaks, an editing window pops up.



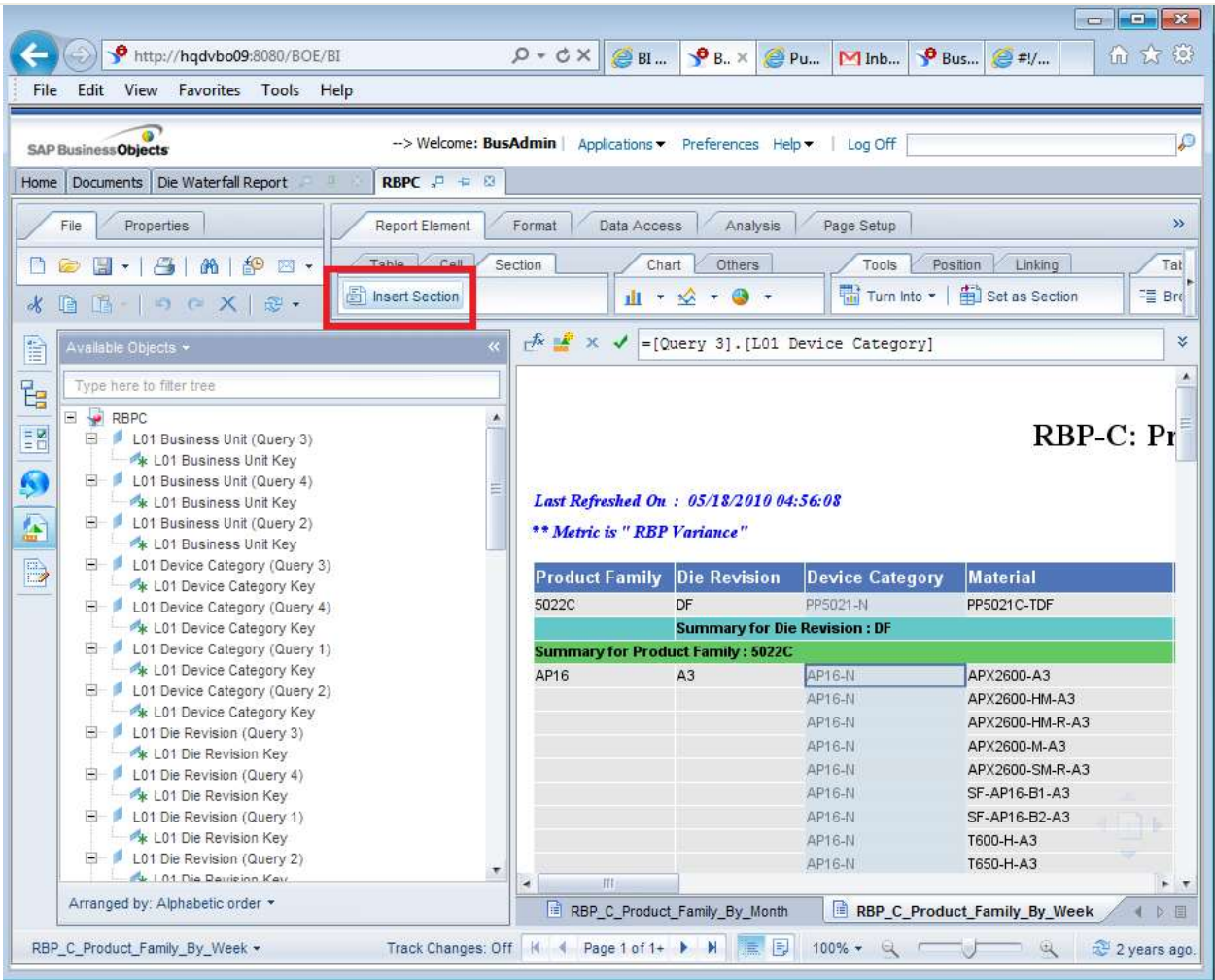
Sections

To apply sections, right click on the report and select Set As Section.



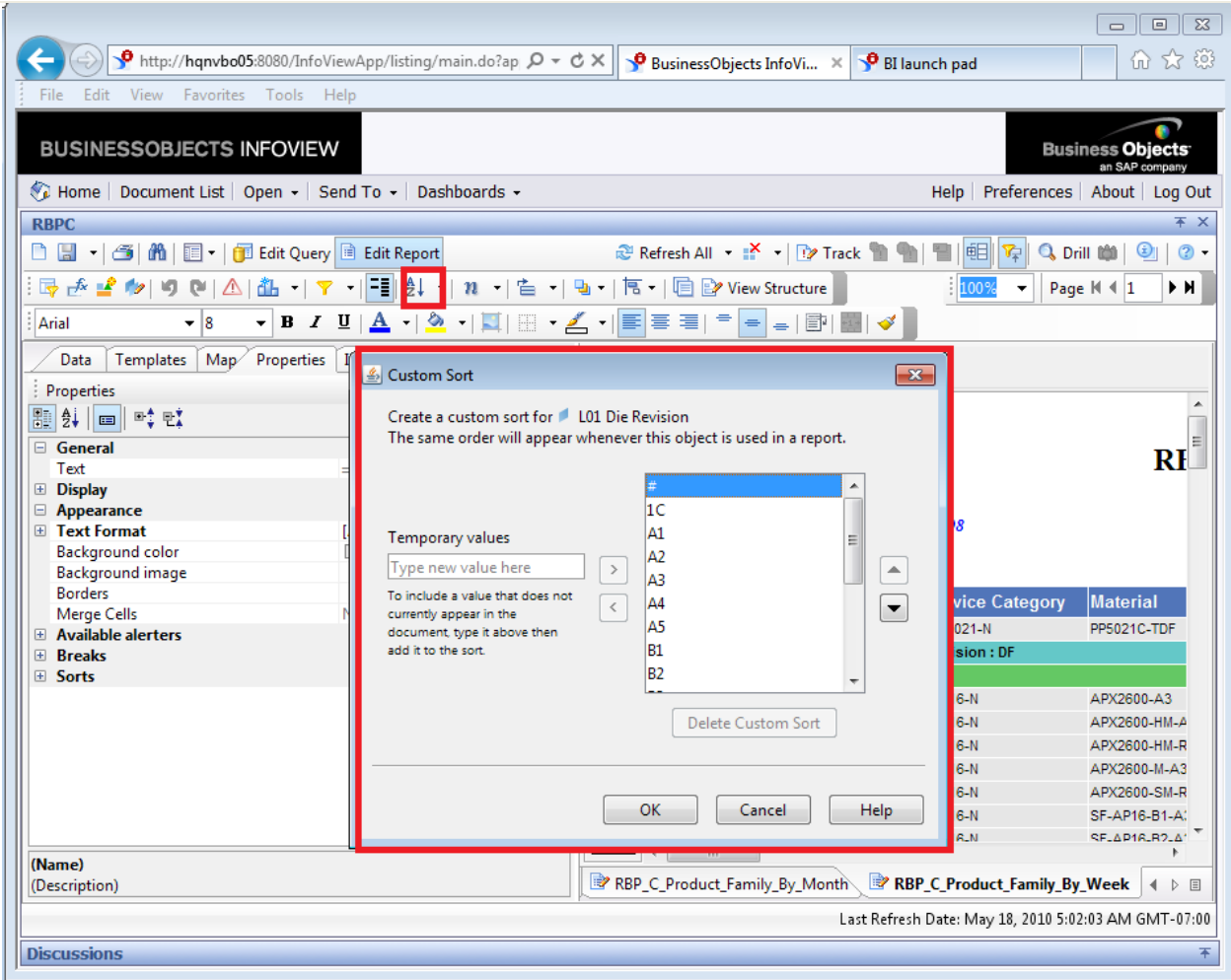
Sections

Sections can be applied from the Report Element tab by clicking the Insert Section button.



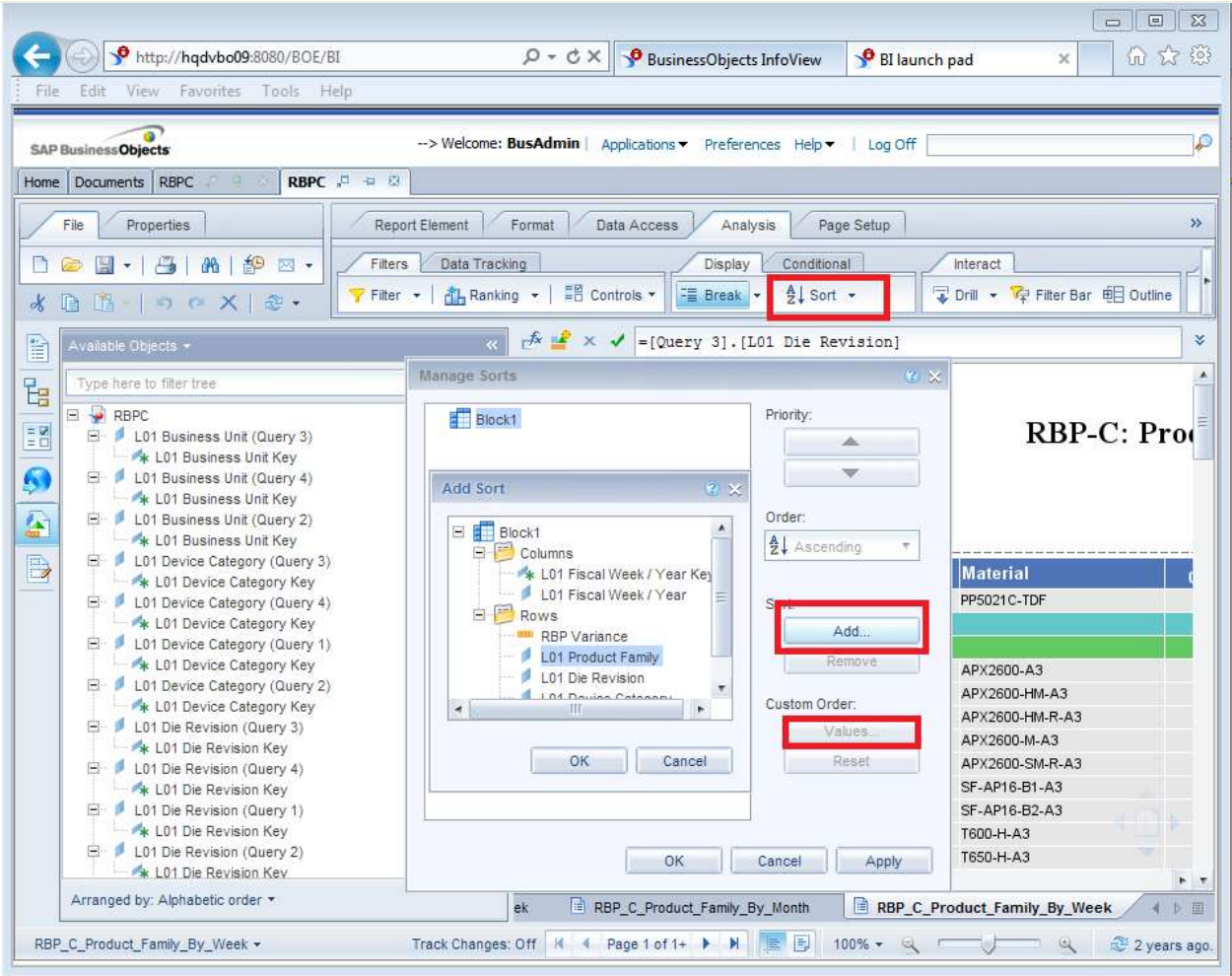
Sorting

Values can be sorted in ascending or descending order or through custom sorts. Click the sorting icon on the toolbar to sort the report as shown below.



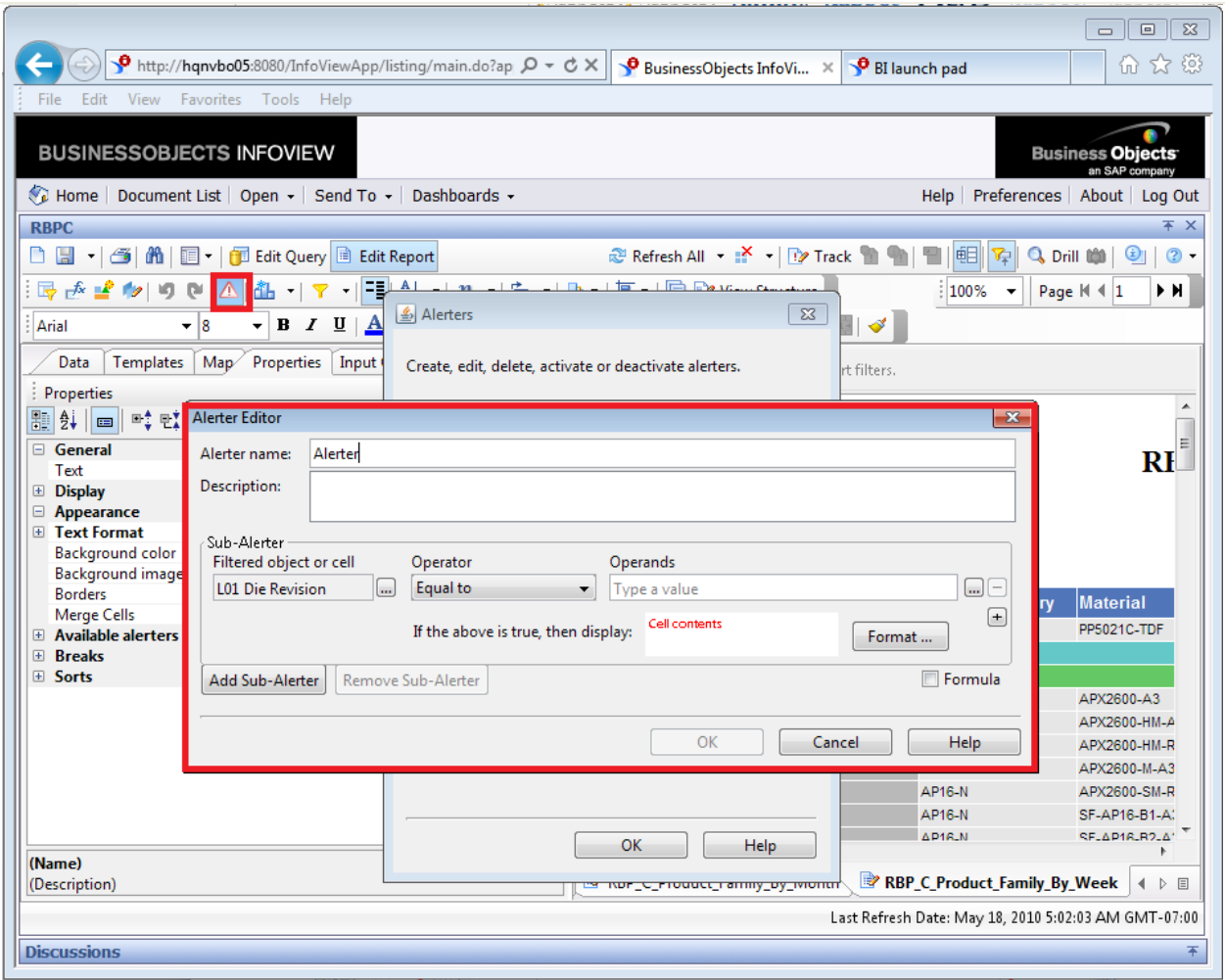
Sorting

Values can be sorted under the Analysis tab by clicking the Sort button. To apply a custom sort, click the Sort button, choose Manage Sorts, and click the Add button to add the row or column on which to apply the sort. Then add the custom values and arrange the priority.



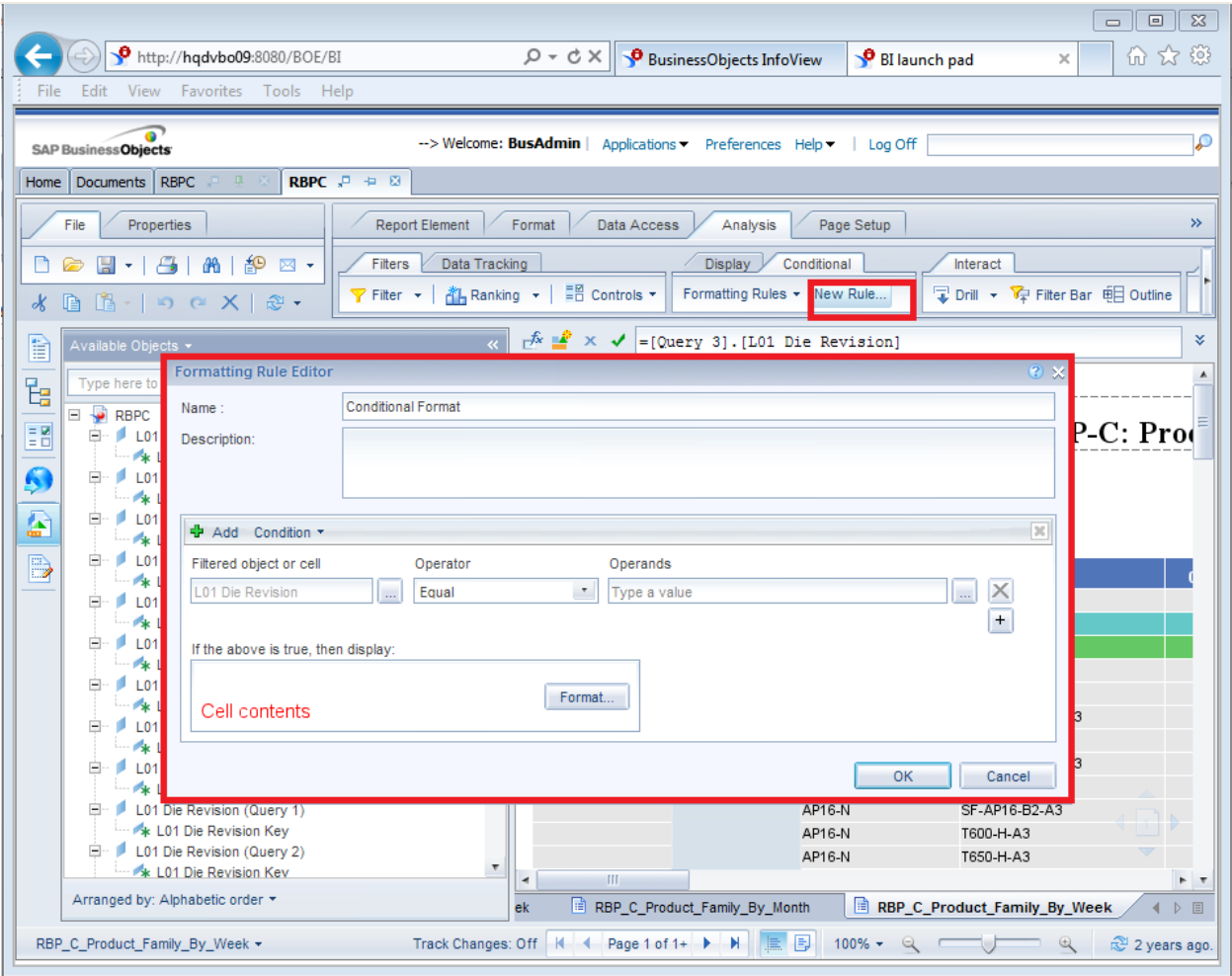
Alerters

To apply alerters on the report, click the warning icon on the toolbar as shown below.



Alerters

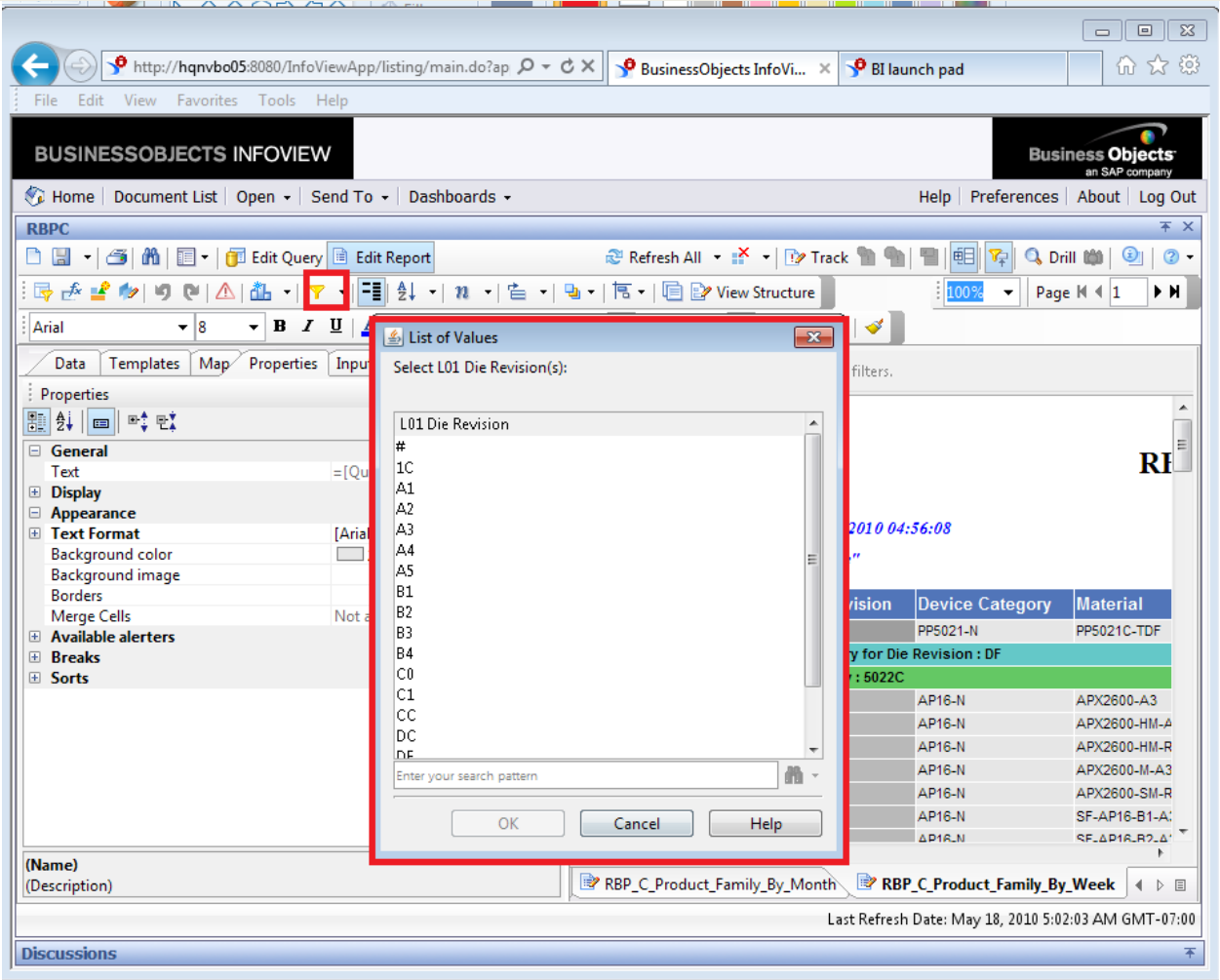
Alerters have been renamed Conditions in BusinessObjects 4.0. Conditions can be accessed by choosing the Analysis tab, choosing the Conditional tab, and clicking the New Rule button.



Filters

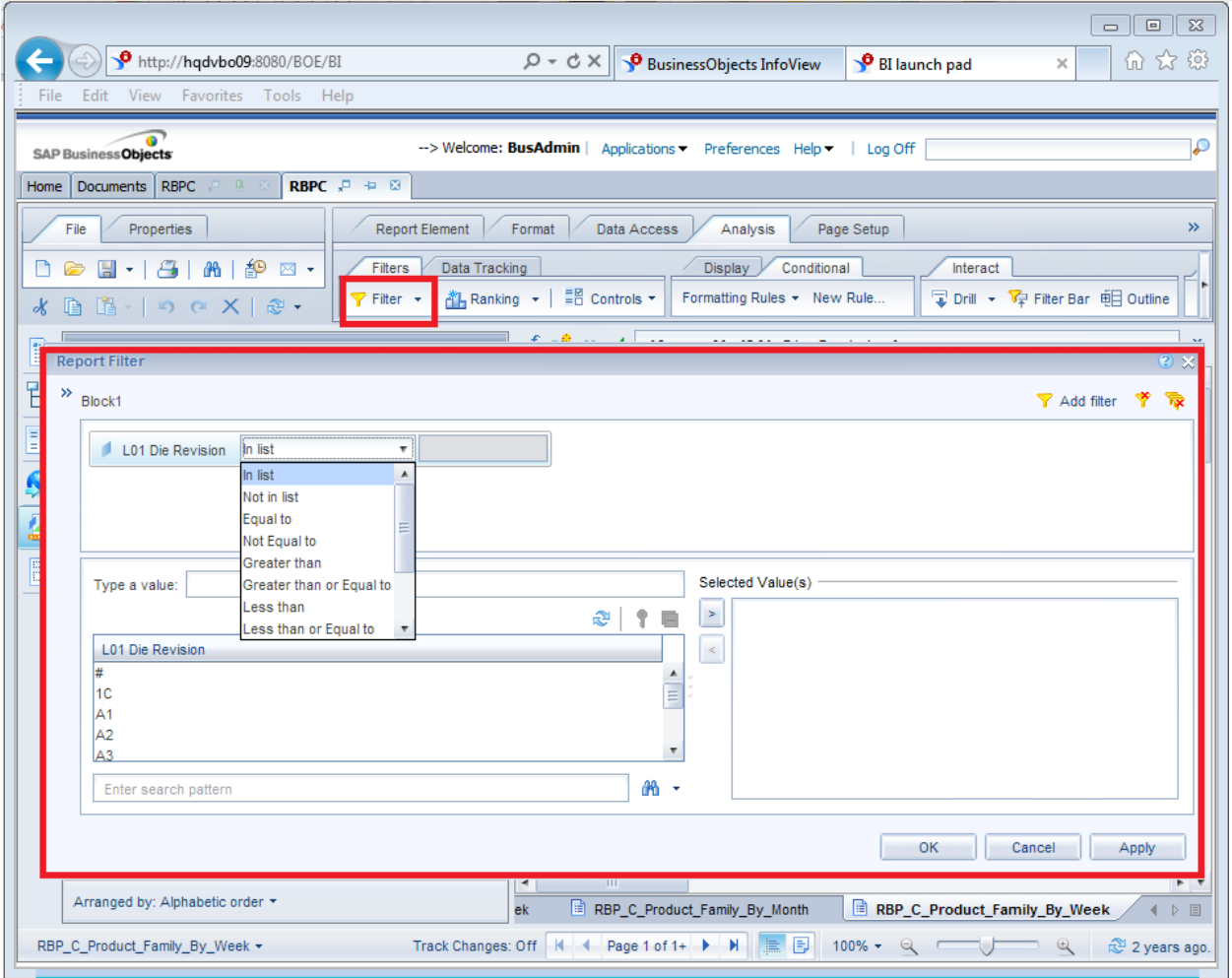
Filters can be added by clicking the funnel icon.

Data gets filters by selecting the values amongst the given List of Values. Only Equal to Operator is applicable here.



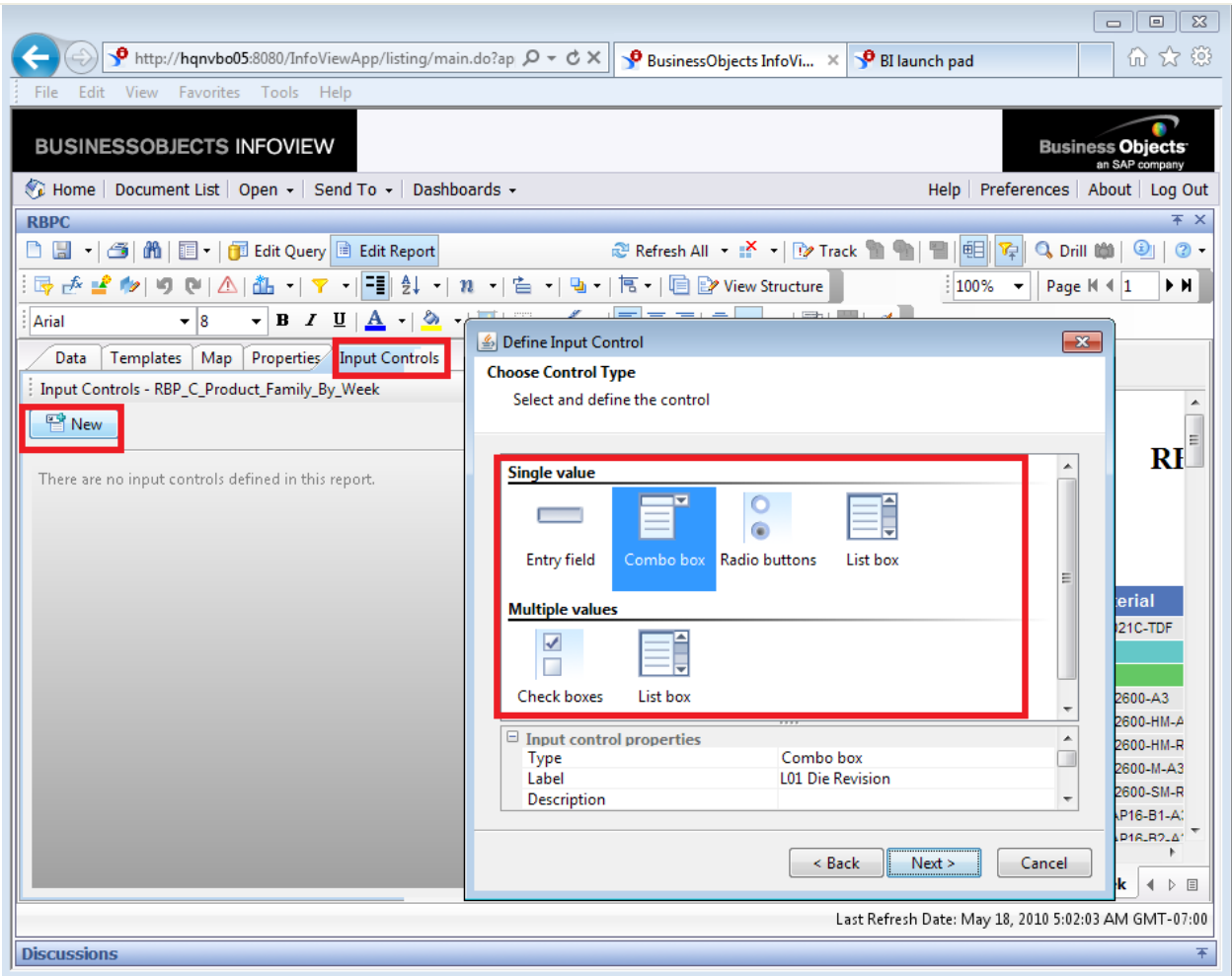
Filters

Filters can be applied using the Analysis tab by clicking the Filter button. A wide set of operators are provided to filter the data apart from Equal to as shown.



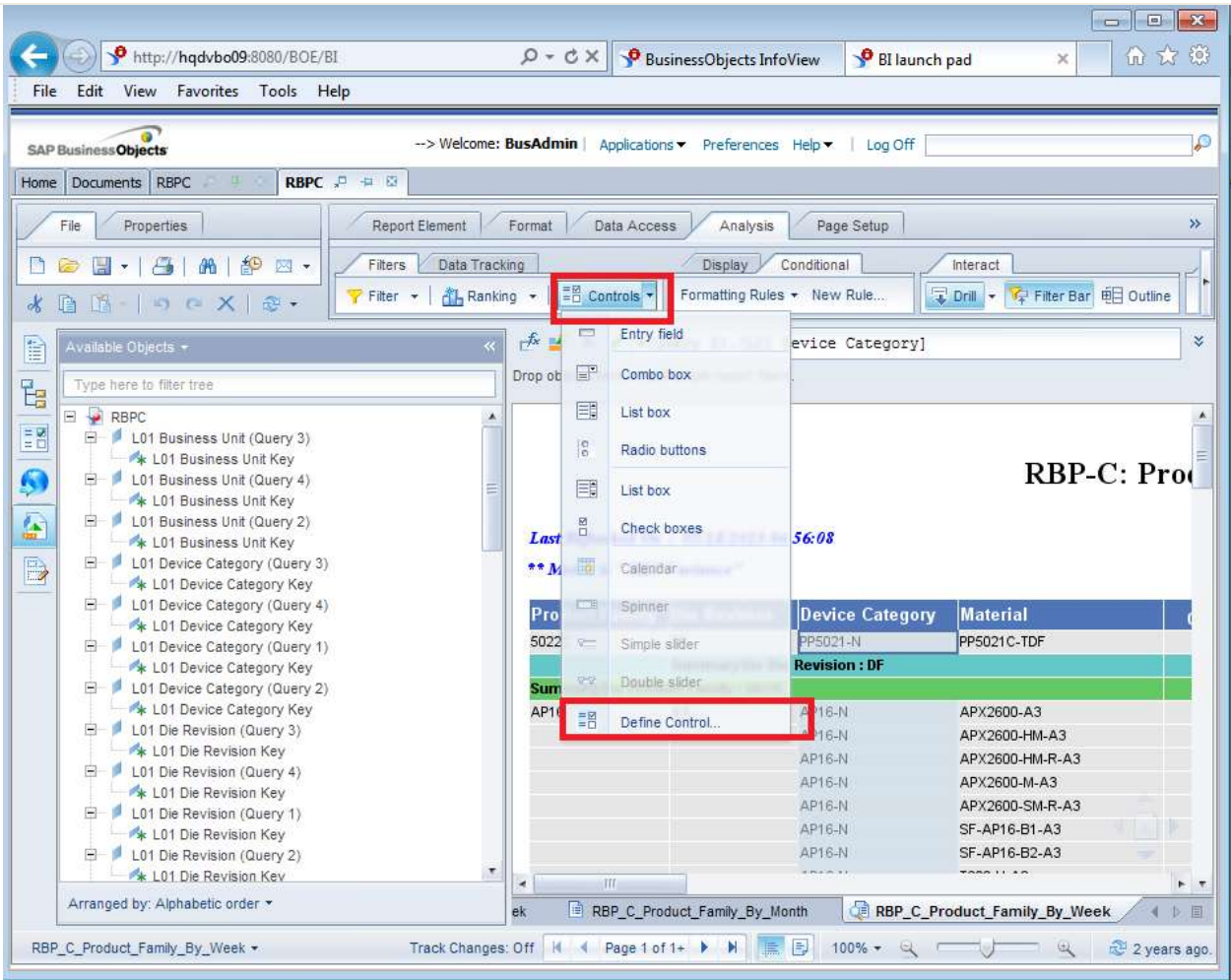
Input Controls

Input controls on the report can be applied clicking the Input Controls tab.



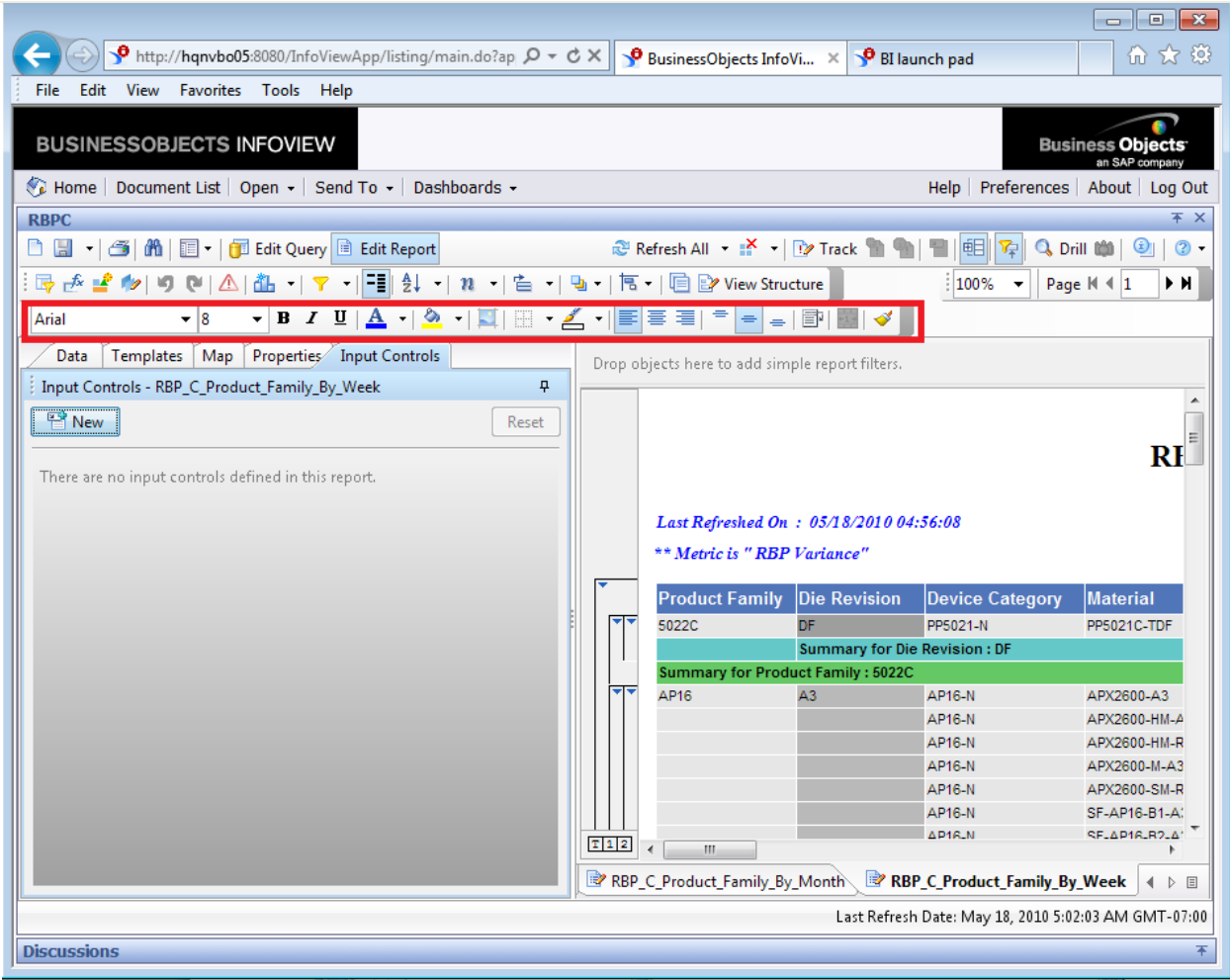
Input Controls

Input controls can be applied under the Analysis tab by clicking the Controls button and selecting Define Control.



Formatting the Report

The report can be formatted using the options present on the common formatting toolbar.



Formatting the Report

The report can be formatted under the Format tab, which has all formatting options organised under one section.

