

# TIPS FOR IMPROVING HOW YOUR COMPANY PROVIDES TAX DATA TO STAKEHOLDERS

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### **Learning objectives**

- Understand where tax reporting and data management has been and where it is going
- Determine the difference between an efficient and inefficient process
- Identify tips and tricks for improving your tax reporting and data management function
- Streamline the delivery process with data analytics



#### Tax data transformation framework

Tax leadership can drive data strategy and information management practices that produce tangible business benefits

Capture tax data and reporting strategy to outline targeted goals, outcomes and requirements along data mgmt., process improvement and technology integration



People execute according to strategy

#### Benefits to driving data



Improved efficiency, timeliness and reliability of information: tax, financial, operational and management



Increased collaboration and partnering among tax, finance, technology and business unit leadership



Alignment of business and technology resources to achieve business outcomes

Data

**Strategy** 

Identify tax data elements to manage throughout business processes and system architecture in accordance with tax strategy



People produce and consume data

Model processes to identify relationships among data elements and functional capabilities to design a strategically focused system architecture



People own and execute processes



**Process** 

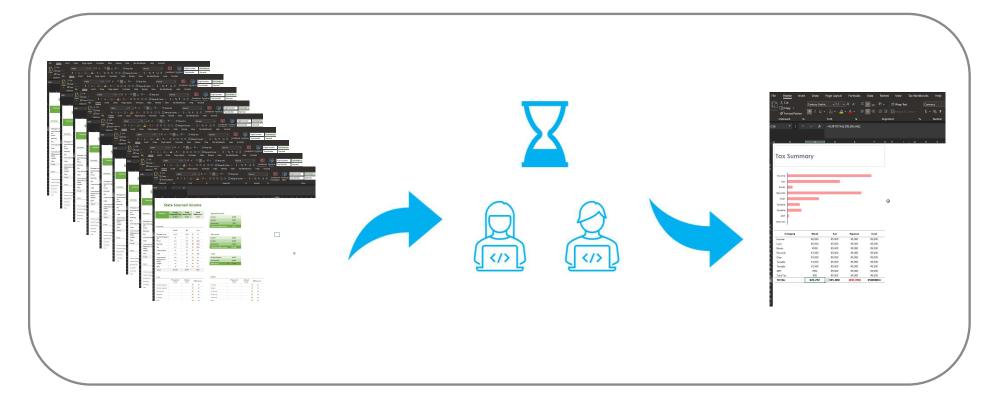
Plan for system integration and alignment with process/data specifications strategically



People use technology



# Looking back to how data has historically been shared with stakeholders





### Steps for delivering information to stakeholders

- Define who your stakeholders are
- Determine what information is important to each stakeholder
- Decide how are you going to deliver this information



## Tip 1: Understand data points that are needed and create a plan for where they go



Leverage technology as much as possible; ERP system is an asset for tax



Make the time investment to build infrastructure that will enable long-term growth



Purpose-built tax technology solutions are essentially tax ERPs



## Tip 2: Include tax when implementing ERP system to ensure processes align



Minimizes pain points of technology implementation and potential missed deadlines



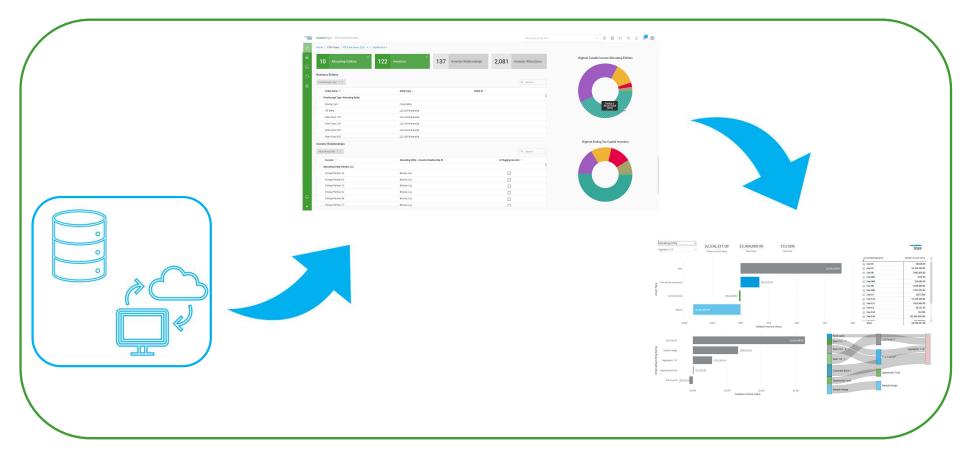
Increasing investor demand for integrated tax data and proactive strategy



Technologies need to be able to work together to generate meaningful insights



### Tax data journey – digitally transformed





### Tip 3: Use technology to give your stakeholders access



Access to real-time data is important for investors



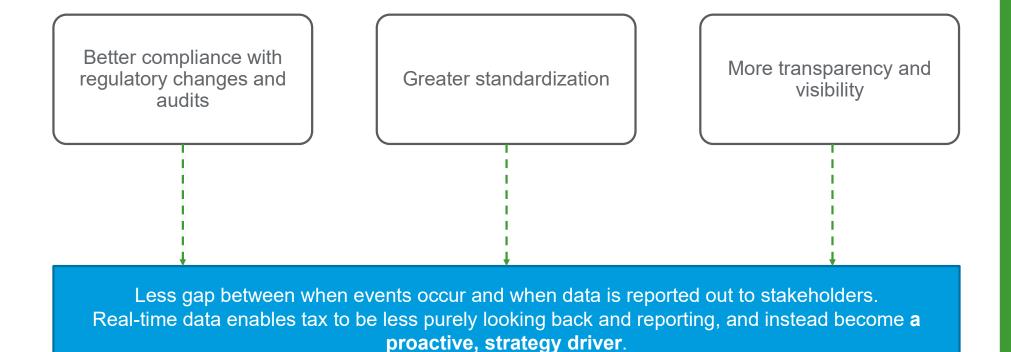
Data can be used to make more informed decisions and shape investor strategy



Dashboards and read-only access to tax technology systems provide high-level summaries and granular data as needed



### Tip 4: Use technology to prepare for the unknown



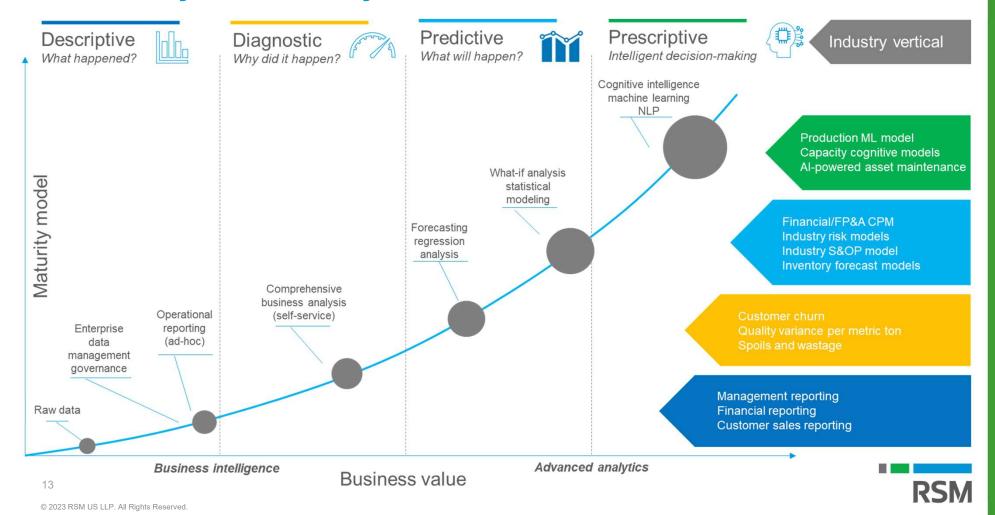


### Tax data importance

The data you have is only as good as the *time it takes* to act on it.



### **Data analytics maturity model**





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