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Overview

Modern looking, high performance **FlexChart**, **FlexPie**, **Sunburst**, **FlexRadar** and **TreeMap** charts for **WPF** come with powerful features, flexible data binding, and simple and easy-to-use API. In addition, they provide several basic to complex chart types for your data visualization needs.

Following sections help you gain insights into these controls and their advanced capabilities.

- [FlexChart](#)
- [FlexPie](#)
- [Sunburst Chart](#)
- [FlexRadar](#)
- [TreeMap](#)

Getting Started with WPF Edition

For information on installing **ComponentOne Studio WPF Edition**, licensing, technical support, namespaces and creating a project with the control, visit [Getting Started with WPF Edition](#).

FlexChart

FlexChart—a powerful data visualization control for Windows—lets you add feature-rich and visually appealing charts to your Windows Forms applications. The control empowers end-users to visualize data that resonates with their audiences.

The FlexChart control provides you with numerous 2D chart types, built-in tools for chart interactivity, and diversified formats for chart rendering.

Whether it is storytelling with data or interpreting complex data, FlexChart helps you accomplish everything seamlessly.

Below is a complete listing of the sections to get you started and acquainted with the FlexChart control:

- [Key Features](#)
- [Feature Comparison](#)
- [FlexChart Quick Start](#)
- [Understanding FlexChart](#)
- [Working with FlexChart](#)

Key Features

FlexChart for WPF is an impeccable data visualization component in terms of performance, presentation, and overall quality. The control offers the following features:

1. **Automatic Legend generation:** Just specify the name of the series, and the [Legend](#) is displayed automatically.
2. **Axis labels automatic rotation:** Let long axis labels get rotated automatically, thereby rendering a clean appearance.
3. **Axis Grouping:** [Group the axis labels](#) while working with any kind of data (categorical, numeric or date time) for better readability and analysis.
4. **Chart export:** You can export your application to different formats, such as SVG, JPG, and PNG.
5. **Direct X support:** The control supports Direct X rendering engine.
6. **Flexible data labels:** Set offset, border, and position for data labels. The control also provides various options to [manage overlapping of data labels](#) such as automatic arrangement, hiding overlapped data labels and, rotation.
7. **In-built selection support:** Click on the chart and select either a single data point or an entire data series.
8. **Interpolate nulls:** Handle null values in line and area charts effectively by using the [InterpolateNulls](#) property.
9. **Legend wrapping:** Let the Legend items appear in several rows and columns depending upon the available space.

10. **Multiple chart types:** Add as many series as you want in a single chart. Set the desired chart type at each series, and thus integrate multiple chart types in a single chart.
11. **Pre-defined and custom palettes:** Choose from a number of pre-defined [palettes](#) or apply a custom palette to the chart.
12. **Powerful and flexible data binding:** Specify data source either at the series level or the chart level, as per your requirements. You can combine multiple data sources in a single chart as well.
13. **Series toggling:** Toggle the visibility of a series in the plot as well as the legend by using the [LegendToggle](#) property.
14. **Simple to use:** It is simple to work with the FlexChart control due to its clear object model.
15. **Stacked or 100% stacked charts:** Make a chart stacked or 100% stacked by setting just one property.
16. **Support for categorical, numerical, and data or time axis:** Bind to different data types ranging from int, float, and string to DateTime.
17. **ToolTip customization:** Leverage powerful [tooltip](#) customization features.
18. **Flexible data labels:** Set offset, border, and position for data labels. The control also provides various options to [manage overlapping of data labels](#) such as automatic arrangement, hiding overlapped data labels and, rotation.

Feature Comparison

This topic provides you with comparison charts that help you compare features offered by FlexChart across different platforms and features of FlexChart for WPF with those of another chart.

- [Comparing FlexCharts](#)
Comparison of FlexChart across three platforms- WPF, WinForms, and UWP.
- [Comparing WPF Charts](#)
Comparison of FlexChart for WPF with another chart.

Comparing FlexCharts

Explore all of the features offered by FlexChart in WPF, WinForms, and UWP. You can download the matrix in [PDF](#).

Chart Types

Chart Types	WPF	Win	UWP
Area	✓	✓	✓
StackedArea	✓	✓	✓
StackedArea100	✓	✓	✓
SplineArea	✓	✓	✓

StackedSplineArea	✓	✓	✓
StackedSplineArea100	✓	✓	✓
StepArea	✓	✓	✓
Bar	✓	✓	✓
StackedBar	✓	✓	✓
StackedBar100	✓	✓	✓
Bubble	✓	✓	✓
CandleStick	✓	✓	✓
Column	✓	✓	✓
StackedColumn	✓	✓	✓
StackedColumn100	✓	✓	✓
Histogram	✓	✓	✓
RangedHistogram	✓	✓	✓
Floating Bar	✓	✓	✓
Stock/ HighLowOpenClose	✓	✓	✓
Line	✓	✓	✓
LineStacked	✓	✓	✓
LineStacked100	✓	✓	✓
Spline	✓	✓	✓
SplineStacked	✓	✓	✓
SplineStacked100	✓	✓	✓
LineSymbols	✓	✓	✓
StackedLineSymbols	✓	✓	✓
StackedLineSymbols100	✓	✓	✓
SplineSymbols	✓	✓	✓
SplineSymbolsStacked	✓	✓	✓
StackedSplineSymbols100	✓	✓	✓
Step	✓	✓	✓
StepSymbols	✓	✓	✓
Pareto	✓	✓	✓
Pie	✓	✓	✓
Doughnut	✓	✓	✓
PieExploded	✓	✓	✓

DoughnutExploded	✓	✓	✓
Point/ Scatter	✓	✓	✓
Radar	✓	✓	✓
Polar	✓	✓	✓
Box-and-Whisker	✓	✓	✓
ErrorBar	✓	✓	✓
Funnel	✓	✓	✓
Sunburst	✓	✓	✓
Waterfall	✓	✓	✓
2D	✓	✓	✓
Heikin-Ashi	*	*	*
LineBreak/ThreeLineBreak	*	*	*
Renko	*	*	*
Kagi	*	*	*
ColumnVolume	*	*	*
EquiVolume	*	*	*
CandleVolume	*	*	*
ArmsCandleVolume	*	*	*

* Available in FinancialChart

DataBinding

Data Binding	WPF	Win	UWP
Objects implementing IEnumerable	✓	✓	✓

Core Features

Core Features	WPF	Win	UWP
Handle Empty/ Null Data Points	✓	✓	✓
HitTest	✓	✓	✓
Annotations	✓	✓	✓
Render Modes	Native/Direct2D/Direct3D	Native/DirectX	Native/Direct3D
Trend Lines	✓	✓	✓
Coordinate Conversion Methods	✓	✓	✓

Batch Updates	✓	✓	✓
Serialization Support		✓	
Sunburst Drilldown	✓	✓	✓
TreeMap Drilldown	✓	✓	✓

Look & Feel

Look & Feel	WPF	Win	UWP
Predefined Palettes	16	16	16
Custom Palette	✓	✓	✓
Background Color	✓	✓	✓
Background Image	✓	✓	✓
Background Gradient/ HatchStyles	✓	✓	✓
Border and Border Styles	✓	✓	✓

Chart Area

Chart Area	WPF	Win	UWP
Header	✓	✓	✓
Footer	✓	✓	✓
Header/Footer Borders	✓	✓	✓
Header/Footer Alignment	✓	✓	✓
Rotate ChartArea	✓	✓	✓

Plot Area

Plot Area	WPF	Win	UWP
Plot margins	✓		
Markers for PlotElements	Supported on FlexChart with LineSymbols/SplineSymbols and Scatter chart types	Supported on FlexChart with LineSymbols/SplineSymbols and Scatter chart types	Supported on FlexChart with LineSymbols/SplineSymbols and Scatter chart types
Markers Size	✓	✓	✓
Markers:	✓	✓	✓

Border and Border styling			
Background Image/ Gradient/ HatchStyle for PlotElements	✓	✓	✓

Data Labels

Data Labels	WPF	Win	UWP
Offset	✓	✓	✓
ConnectingLines	✓	✓	✓
Borders and Border styling	✓	✓	✓
Styling	✓	✓	✓
Format String	✓	✓	✓
Custom Content	✓	✓	✓
Manage Overlapping	✓	✓	✓
Positions for Cartesian charts	Bottom/ Center/ Left/ None/ Right/ Top	Bottom/ Center/ Left/ None/ Right/ Top	Bottom/ Center/ Left/ None/ Right/ Top
Positions for Pie charts	Center/ Inside/ Outside/ None	Center/ Inside/ Outside/ None	Center/ Inside/ Outside/ None

Annotations

Annotations	Win	WPF	UWP
Pre-defined Shapes	✓	✓	✓
Position	✓	✓	✓
Attaching Annotations	✓	✓	✓
Offset	✓	✓	✓
Styling	✓	✓	✓
Tooltip	✓	✓	✓
Customization	✓	✓	✓

Axes

Axes	WPF	Win	UWP
Axes: Primary X/Y	✓	✓	✓
Axes: Secondary X/Y	✓	✓	✓
Axes: Multiple Secondary X/Y	✓	✓	✓
Axis Label: Format strings	✓	✓	✓
Axis Label: Hide	✓	✓	✓
Axis Label: styling	✓	✓	✓
Axis Range (Min/Max) values	✓	✓	✓
Axis: Hide	✓	✓	✓
Axis: Logarithmic	✓	✓	✓
Axis: Reverse	✓	✓	✓
AxisLine Styling	✓	✓	✓
Labels: Alignment	✓	✓	✓
Labels: Angle	✓	✓	✓
Labels: Manage overlapping	✓	✓	✓
Major/ Minor GridLines	✓	✓	✓
Major/ Minor TickMarks	✓	✓	✓
Major/ Minor Units	✓	✓	✓
Title and Title styling	✓	✓	✓
Configure Origin	Any value	Any value	✓
TickMarks Position	Cross/ Inside/ Outside/ None	Cross/ Inside/ Outside/ None	Cross/ Inside/ Outside/ None
Position	Top/ Bottom/ Left/ Right/ Auto/ None	Top/ Bottom/ Left/ Right/ Auto/ None	Top/ Bottom/ Left/ Right/ Auto/ None

Series

Series	WPF	Win	UWP
Multiple	✓	✓	✓

Series			
Data binding	✓	✓	✓
Chart types at series level	✓	✓	✓
Styling	✓	✓	✓
Visibility	Plot/ Legend/ Both Plot and Legend/ Hidden	Plot/ Legend/ Both Plot and Legend/ Hidden	Plot/ Legend/ Both Plot and Legend/ Hidden
Conditional Formatting	✓	✓	✓

Legends

Legends	WPF	Win	UWP
Title	✓	✓	✓
Title Style	✓	✓	✓
Toggle Series Visibility from legend	✓	✓	✓
Orientation	Auto/ Vertical/ Horizontal	Auto/ Vertical/ Horizontal	Auto/ Vertical/ Horizontal
Position	Left/ Top/ Right/ Bottom	Left/ Top/ Right/ Bottom	Left/ Top/ Right/ Bottom
Custom Legend Icon	✓	✓	✓
Legend Text Wrap	✓	✓	✓
Legend Grouping	✓	✓	✓

Marker Symbols

Marker Symbols	WPF	Win	UWP
Box	✓	✓	✓
Dot	✓	✓	✓

User Interactions

User Interactions	WPF	Win	UWP
Tooltips	✓	✓	✓
Series selection	✓	✓	✓
Point selection	✓	✓	✓
LineMarkers aka Crosshairs	✓	✓	✓
Range Selector	✓	✓	✓
Zooming	✓	✓	✓

Scrolling	✓	✓	✓
Axis Scrollbar	✓	✓	✓

Tooltips

Tooltips	WPF	Win	UWP
Auto tooltips	✓	✓	✓
Custom content	✓	✓	✓
Show Delay	✓	✓	✓
Styling	✓	✓	✓
Tooltips for different chart elements			

Pie Charts

Pie Charts	WPF	Win	UWP
Exploded slices	✓	✓	✓
Inner Radius	✓	✓	✓
Starting Angle of first slice	✓	✓	✓

Exporting/Importing & Printing

Exporting/Importing & Printing	WPF	Win	UWP
Export to JPEG/ JPG	✓	✓	✓
Export to PNG	✓	✓	✓
Export to SVG		✓	
Export to BMP	✓		✓
Printing support	✓	✓	✓

Footprint

Footprint	WPF	Win	UWP
Assembly Size	183KB	229KB	218KB

Comparing WPF Charts

Explore all of the features offered by FlexChart and WPF Toolkit Chart. You can download the matrix in [PDF](#).

Chart Types



Features	FlexChart	WPF Toolkit Chart
Area	✓	✓
StackedArea	✓	
StackedArea100	✓	
SplineArea	✓	
StackedSplineArea	✓	
StackedSplineArea100	✓	
StepArea	✓	
Bar	✓	✓
StackedBar	✓	
Floating Bar	✓	
StackedBar100	✓	
Bubble	✓	✓
CandleStick	✓	
Column	✓	✓
Combination charts	✓	✓
StackedColumn	✓	
StackedColumn100	✓	
Stock/ HighLowOpenClose	✓	
Histogram	✓	
Pareto	✓	
Ranged Histogram	✓	
Line	✓	
LineStacked	✓	
LineStacked100	✓	
Spline	✓	
SplineStacked	✓	
SplineStacked100	✓	
Step	✓	✓
StepSymbols	✓	✓
LineSymbols	✓	✓
StackedLineSymbols	✓	
StackedLineSymbols100	✓	
SplineSymbols	✓	

SplineSymbolsStacked	✓	
StackedSplineSymbols100	✓	
Pie	✓	✓
Doughnut	✓	
PieExploded	✓	
DoughnutExploded	✓	
Point/ Scatter	✓	✓
Radar	✓	✓
Polar	✓	✓
Box-and-whisker	✓	✓
ErrorBar	✓	✓
Funnel	✓	✓
Sunburst	✓	
Waterfall	✓	
2D	✓	✓
Heikin-Ashi	*	
LineBreak/ThreeLineBreak	*	
Renko	*	
Kagi	*	
ColumnVolume	*	
EquiVolume	*	
CandleVolume	*	
ArmsCandleVolume	*	

Data Binding

Features	FlexChart	WPF Toolkit Chart
Objects implementing IEnumerable	✓	✓

Core Features

Features	FlexChart	WPF Toolkit Chart
Handle Empty/ Null Data Points	✓	
HitTest	✓	✓
Trendlines	✓	
Coordinate Conversion Methods	✓	
Annotations	✓	

Render Modes	Default/Direct2D/Direct3D	
Batch Updates	✓	
Moving Average	✓	
Chart Optimization		
Load Animation		✓
Transition Animation		
Grouping and Aggregation		
LineMarkers	✓	✓
Multiple axes	✓	
Multiple plot areas	✓	

Chart Features

Features	FlexChart	MS Chart
Annotations	✓	✓
Axis binding	✓	✓
Customizable data labels	✓	✓
Customizable headers and footers	✓	✓

Data Manipulations

Features	FlexChart	MS Chart
Aggregation	With custom code	✓
Sorting	With custom code	✓
TopN	With custom code	✓

Look & Feel

Features	FlexChart	WPF Toolkit Chart
Themes		
Predefined Palettes	16	
Custom Palette	✓	
Background Color	✓	✓
Background Image	✓	✓
Background Gradient	✓	✓
Border and Border Styles	✓	✓

Chart Area

Features	FlexChart	WPF Toolkit Chart
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Header	✓	✓
Footer	✓	
Multiple Headers		
Header/ Footer Borders	✓	✓
Header/ Footer Alignment	✓	
Rotate ChartArea	✓	
Multiple Chart Areas		
Toggle Visibility		
PlotArea Collection		

Plot Area

Features	FlexChart	WPF Toolkit Chart
Plot margins	✓	
Markers for PlotElements	Supported on FlexChart with LineSymbols/ SplineSymbols and Scatter chart types	
Markers Size	✓	
Plot Areas: Multiple		
Plot Elements: Background Image/ Gradient/Color	✓	✓
Plot Elements: Border and Border styling		✓
LineMarkers/CrossHair		

Data Labels

Features	FlexChart	WPF Toolkit Chart
Offset	✓	
ConnectingLines	✓	
Borders and Border styling	✓	
Styling	✓	
Format String	✓	
Custom Content	✓	
Positions for Cartesian charts	Bottom/ Center/ Left/ None/ Right/ Top	
Manage Overlapping	✓	

Positions for Pie charts

Center/ Inside/
Outside/ None

Axis

Features	FlexChart	WPF Toolkit Chart
Axes: Primary X/Y	✓	✓
Axes: Secondary X/Y	✓	✓
Axes: Multiple Secondary X/Y	✓	✓
Axis Label: Format strings	✓	✓
Axis Label: Hide	✓	
Axis Label: styling	✓	
Axis Range (Min/Max) values	✓	✓
Axis: Hide	✓	✓
Axis: Logarithmic	✓	
Axis: Reverse	✓	
AxisLine Styling	✓	
Labels: Angle	✓	
Labels: Manage overlapping	✓	
Major/ Minor GridLines	✓	✓
Major/ Minor TickMarks	✓	✓
Major/ Minor Units	✓	Only MajorUnit
TickMarks Thickness		
TickMarks Styling		✓
Title and Title Styling	✓	✓
Configure Origin	Any value	
TickMarks Position	Cross/ Inside/ Outside/ None	
Position	Top/ Bottom/ Left/ Right/ Auto/ None	Auto/Bottom/Left/Right/Top
Axis Label: Custom		
ArrowHead styling		
Axis Label: Staggered		
ScaleBreaks		
Predefined DateTime Interval Types		✓
Sort Order for CategoryAxis		✓

Series

Features	FlexChart	WPF Toolkit Chart
Multiple Series	✓	✓
Data binding	✓	✓
Chart types at series level	✓	
Styling	✓	✓
Visibility	Plot/ Legend/ Both Plot and Legend/ Hidden	✓
Conditional Formatting	✓	
X and Y value functions		
RoundedRadius for Bar Charts		
Stacked charts	✓	

Legends

Features	FlexChart	WPF Toolkit Chart
Title	✓	✓
Title Style	✓	
Toggle Series Visibility from legend	✓	
Orientation	Auto/ Vertical/ Horizontal	
Position	Left/ Top/ Right/ Bottom	
Custom Legend Items		✓
Items Ordering		
Multiple Legends		

Marker Symbols

Features	FlexChart	WPF Toolkit Chart
Box	✓	
Cross	✓	
DiagonalCross		
Dot		
Diamond		
Triangle		
Star4		
Star8		

User Interactions

Features	FlexChart	WPF Toolkit Chart
Tooltips	✓	✓
Series selection	✓	
Point selection	✓	✓
Zooming	✓	
Scrolling	✓	
Drilldown	With custom code	With custom code
Axis Scrollbar	✓	
Range Selector	✓	
Draggable Markers		
3D Chart Rotations		

Tooltips

Features	FlexChart	WPF Toolkit Chart
Auto tooltips	✓	✓
Custom content	✓	
Show Delay	✓	
Styling	✓	
Tooltips for different chart elements		

Pie Charts

Features	FlexChart	WPF Toolkit Chart
Exploded slices	✓	
Inner Radius	✓	
Starting Angle of first slice	✓	

Exporting, Importing & Printing

Features	FlexChart	WPF Toolkit Chart
Export to JPEG/ JPG	✓	
Export to PNG	✓	
Export to BMP	✓	
Export to GIF		
Export to TIFF		
Export to PDF		

Export to SVG		
Export to EMF		
Export to EMfDual		
Export to EMfPlus		
Export to WMP		
Save/ Load to Binary files		
Save/ Load to memory streams		
Save/ Load to XML		
Printing	✓	✓

Footprint

Feature	FlexChart	WPF Toolkit Chart
Assembly Size	144KB	276KB

Pricing

Feature	FlexChart	MS Chart
Pricing	\$	\$

Quick Start

This quick start guides you through a step-by-step process of creating a simple **FlexChart** application and running the same in Visual Studio.

Go through the below-mentioned steps to walk through the FlexChart control quickly.

1. [Adding FlexChart to the Project](#)
2. [Binding FlexChart to a Data Source](#)
3. [Running the Project](#)

Step 1: Adding FlexChart to the Project

This step enables you to create a simple chart application using **FlexChart for WPF**. When you add the FlexChart control to your Visual Studio project, you would have a functional column chart with dummy data.

Perform the following steps:

1. Create a new **WPF Application** in Visual Studio.
 1. Select **File | New | Project**. The **New Project** dialog box appears.
 2. In the **New Project** dialog box, select a language in the left-hand pane, and then select **WPF Application** from the list of applications in the center pane.
 3. Give your application a **Name**, and then select **OK**.
2. Open the **MainWindow.xaml** file.
3. Place your cursor between the **<Grid>** **</Grid>** tags within either your Window or your UserControl, depending on the type of application you've created.

4. Locate the **FlexChart** control in Visual Studio's **ToolBox**. Double-click the control to add it to your application. The following reference is added to the project:

C1.WPF.FlexChart.4.dll

If the reference is not added, you need to add the same manually - right-click the **References** folder in the **Solution Explorer** and select **Add | New Reference**.

The XAML markup resembles the following:

o **XAML**

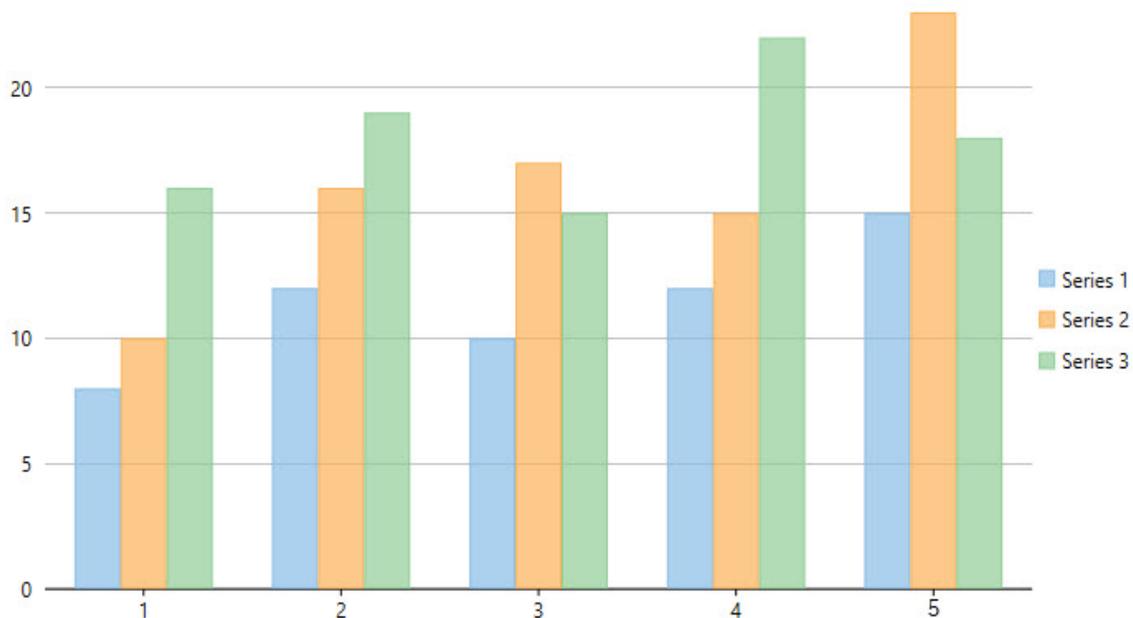
```
<Window
  xmlns="http://schemas.microsoft.com/winfx/2006/xaml/presentation"
  xmlns:x="http://schemas.microsoft.com/winfx/2006/xaml"
  xmlns:c1="http://schemas.componentone.com/winfx/2006/xaml"
  x:Class="QuickStart.MainWindow"
  Title="MainWindow" Height="886.465" Width="1182.397">
  <Grid Margin="46,0,0,12">

    <c1:C1FlexChart x:Name="flexChart"
      HorizontalAlignment="Left"
      Height="377"
      VerticalAlignment="Top"
      Width="702"
      Margin="130,179,0,0">
      <c1:Series AxisX="{x:Null}"
        AxisY="{x:Null}"
        Binding="Y"
        BindingX="X"
        Chart="{x:Null}"
        SeriesName="Series 1">
        <c1:Series.ItemsSource>
          <PointCollection>1,8 2,12 3,10 4,12 5,15</PointCollection>
        </c1:Series.ItemsSource>
      </c1:Series>
      <c1:Series AxisX="{x:Null}"
        AxisY="{x:Null}"
        Binding="Y"
        BindingX="X"
        Chart="{x:Null}"
        SeriesName="Series 2">
        <c1:Series.ItemsSource>
          <PointCollection>1,10 2,16 3,17 4,15 5,23</PointCollection>
        </c1:Series.ItemsSource>
      </c1:Series>
      <c1:Series AxisX="{x:Null}"
        AxisY="{x:Null}"
        Binding="Y"
        BindingX="X"
        Chart="{x:Null}"
        SeriesName="Series 3">
        <c1:Series.ItemsSource>
          <PointCollection>1,16 2,19 3,15 4,22 5,18</PointCollection>
        </c1:Series.ItemsSource>
      </c1:Series>
    </c1:C1FlexChart>

  </Grid>
</Window>
```

5. Run the application.

The output appears as shown in figure below.



You have successfully created a WPF Application containing the FlexChart control.

Step 2: Binding FlexChart to a Data Source

This step allows you to bind **FlexChart** to a data source.

1. Create the data source as follows:
 1. Right-click the project and select **Add | Class**.
 2. Select **Class** from the list of templates, name it as **DataCreator.cs**, and click **Add**.
 3. Add the following code in **DataCreator.cs** class to generate the data.

■ Visual Basic

```
Public Class DataCreator
    Public Shared Function CreateData() As List(Of DataItem)
        Dim data = New List(Of DataItem)()
        data.Add(New DataItem("UK", 5, 4))
        data.Add(New DataItem("USA", 7, 3))
        data.Add(New DataItem("Germany", 8, 5))
        data.Add(New DataItem("Japan", 12, 8))
    End Function
End Class

Public Class DataItem
    Public Sub New(country__1 As String, sales__2 As Integer, expenses__3 As Integer)
        Country = country__1
        Sales = sales__2
        Expenses = expenses__3
    End Sub
    Public Property Country() As String
        Get
            Return m_Country
        End Get
        Set
            m_Country = Value
        End Set
    End Property
    Private m_Country As String
    Public Property Sales() As Integer
        Get
            Return m_Sales
        End Get
        Set
            m_Sales = Value
        End Set
    End Property
    Private m_Sales As Integer
    Public Property Expenses() As Integer
        Get
            Return m_Expenses
        End Get
        Set
            m_Expenses = Value
        End Set
    End Property
    Private m_Expenses As Integer
End Class
```

■ C#

```
class DataCreator
{
    public static List<DataItem> CreateData()
    {
        var data = new List<DataItem>();
        data.Add(new DataItem("UK", 5, 4));
        data.Add(new DataItem("USA", 7, 3));
        data.Add(new DataItem("Germany", 8, 5));
        data.Add(new DataItem("Japan", 12, 8));
        return data;
    }
}

public class DataItem
{
    public DataItem(string country, int sales, int expenses)
    {
        Country = country;
    }
}
```

```

        Sales = sales;
        Expenses = expenses;
    }

    public string Country { get; set; }
    public int Sales { get; set; }
    public int Expenses { get; set; }
}

```

2. Bind the data to FlexChart as follows:

1. Edit the **<Grid>** tag to the following markup to provide data to FlexChart:

■ **XAML**

```

<Grid>
    <cl:C1FlexChart x:Name="flexChart"
        BindingX="Country"
        ItemsSource="{Binding DataContext.Data}" Rendered="flexChart_Rendered">
        <cl:C1FlexChart.Series>
            <cl:Series SeriesName="Sales"
                Binding="Sales"/>
            <cl:Series SeriesName="Expenses"
                Binding="Expenses"/>
        </cl:C1FlexChart.Series>
    </Grid>

```



To specify the binding source, you need to add the **DataContext = "{Binding RelativeSource={RelativeSource Mode=Self}}"** markup in the **<Window>** tag of the **MainWindow.xaml** file.

2. Switch to Code view (**MainWindow.xaml.cs** or **MainWindow.xaml.vb**). Add the following code in the **MainWindow** class to plot the data in the chart

■ **MainWindow.xaml.vb**

```

Private _data As List(Of DataItem)
Public Sub New()
    Me.InitializeComponent()
End Sub

Public ReadOnly Property Data() As List(Of DataItem)
    Get
        If _data Is Nothing Then
            _data = DataCreator.CreateData()
        End If

        Return _data
    End Get
End Property

```

■ **MainWindow.xaml.cs**

```

private List<DataItem> _data;
public MainWindow()
{
    InitializeComponent();
}

public List<DataItem> Data
{
    get
    {
        if (_data == null)
        {
            _data = DataCreator.CreateData();
        }

        return _data;
    }
}

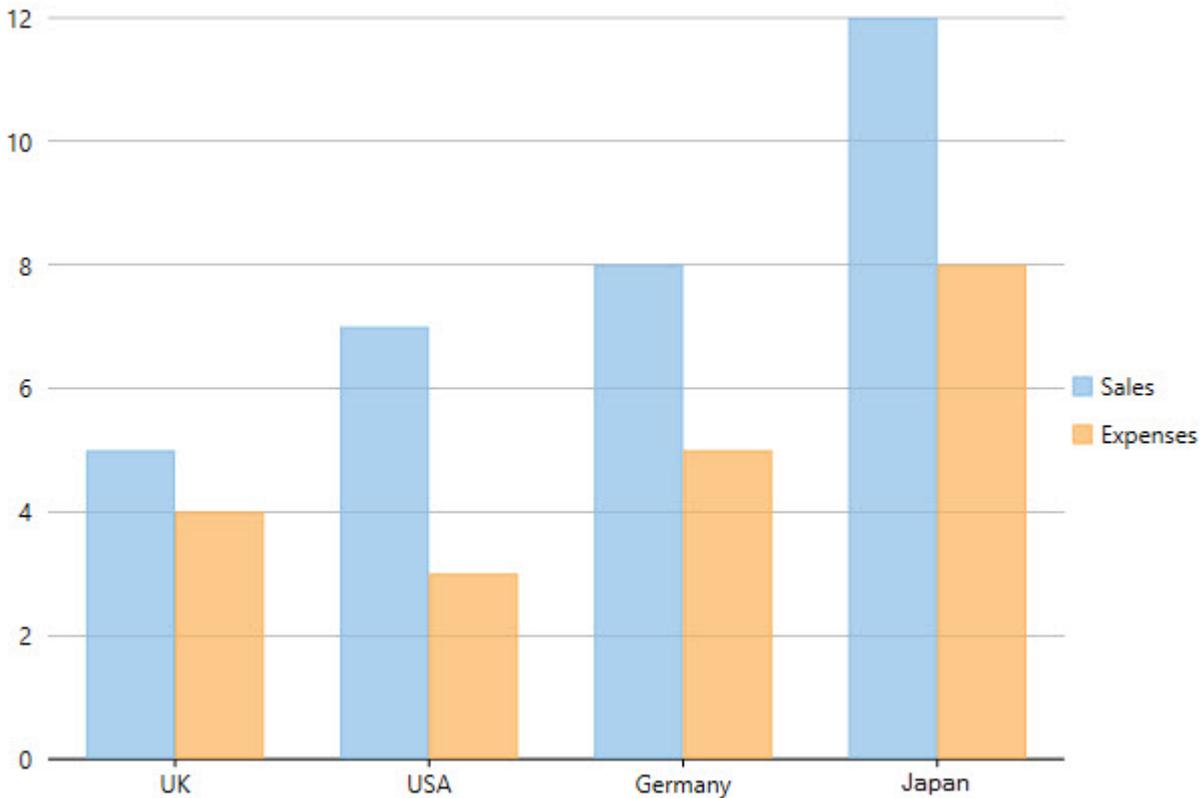
```

You have successfully bound FlexChart to the data source.

Step 3: Running the Project

Now that you've created the WPF Application, the only thing left to do is run your application. Press F5 to run the application.

The output looks similar to the following image:



Understanding FlexChart

To get started with the **FlexChart** control, you need thorough understanding of all FlexChart fundamentals and FlexChart types.

This section, therefore, takes you through the basics of the control in an easy-to-understand manner.

Click the following links to find information on all FlexChart basics and types:

- [FlexChart Fundamentals](#)
- [FlexChart Types](#)

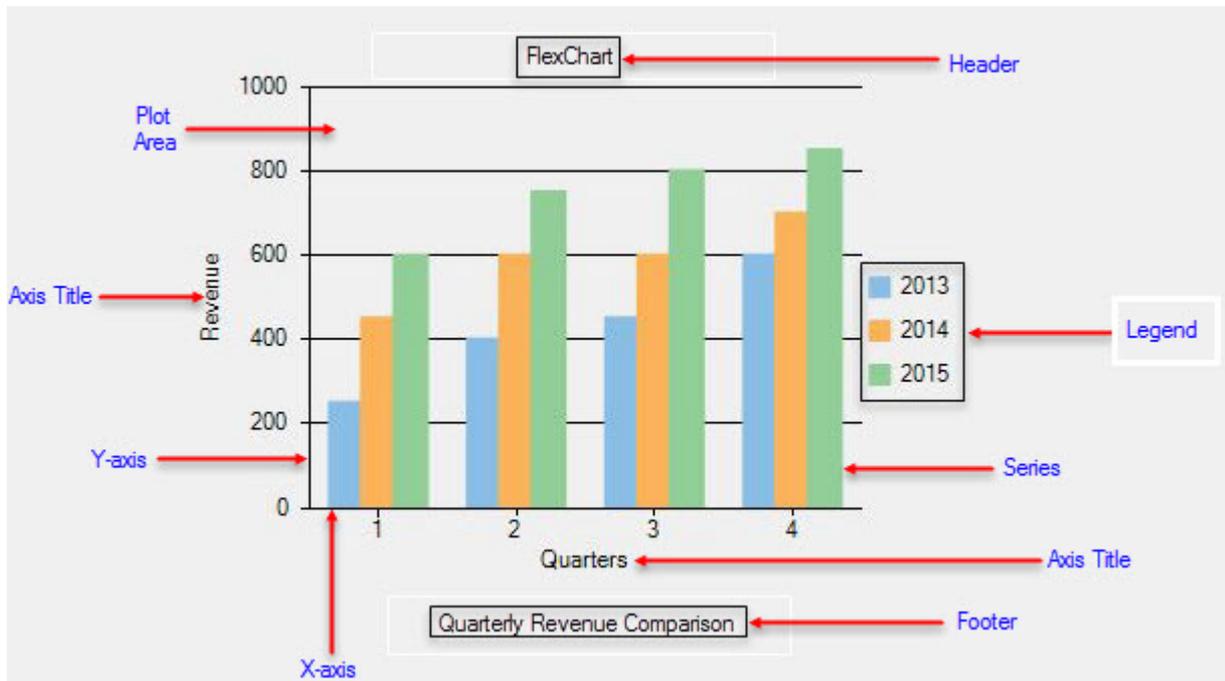
FlexChart Fundamentals

FlexChart consists of the following elements:

- [Header and Footer](#)
- [Legend](#)
- [Axes](#)
- [Plot Area](#)
- [Series](#)

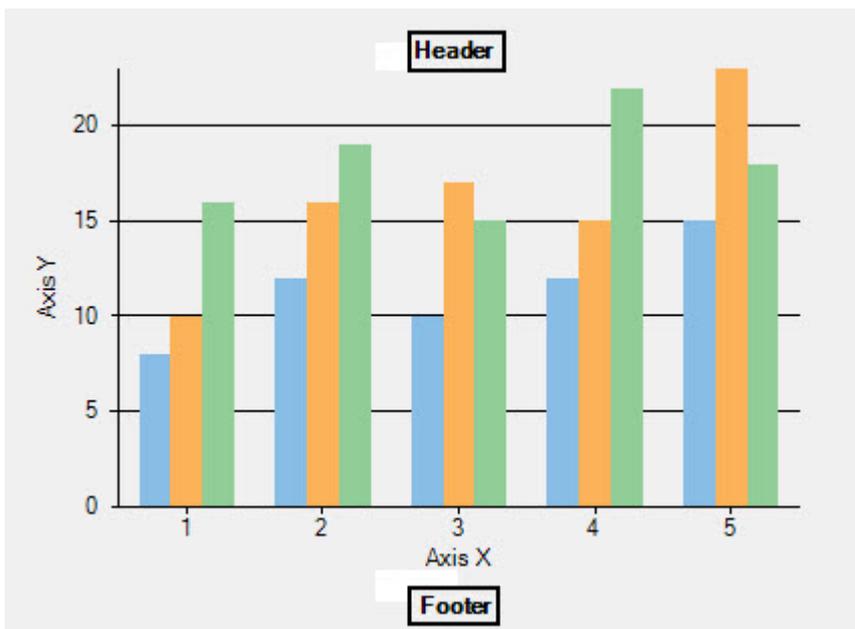
The control has a rich object model that represents these elements in terms of objects and provides relevant properties for the same.

The following image displays the various elements:



Header and Footer

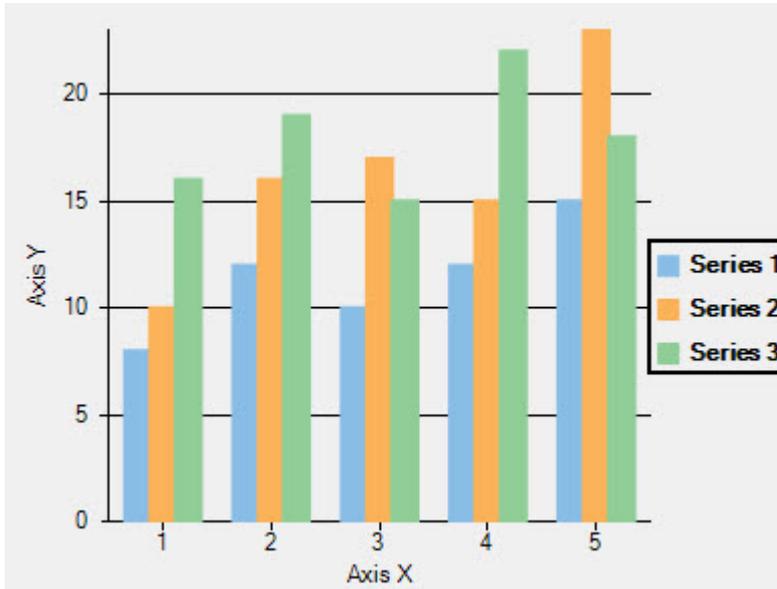
Header and Footer are used to display descriptive and relevant information with respect to the chart.



In FlexChart, these elements are set by using the [Header](#) and the [Footer](#) property. Both properties are the members of the [FlexChartBase](#) class.

Legend

The Legend displays an entry for each data series in the chart. It represents the mapping between colors, symbols, and data series.



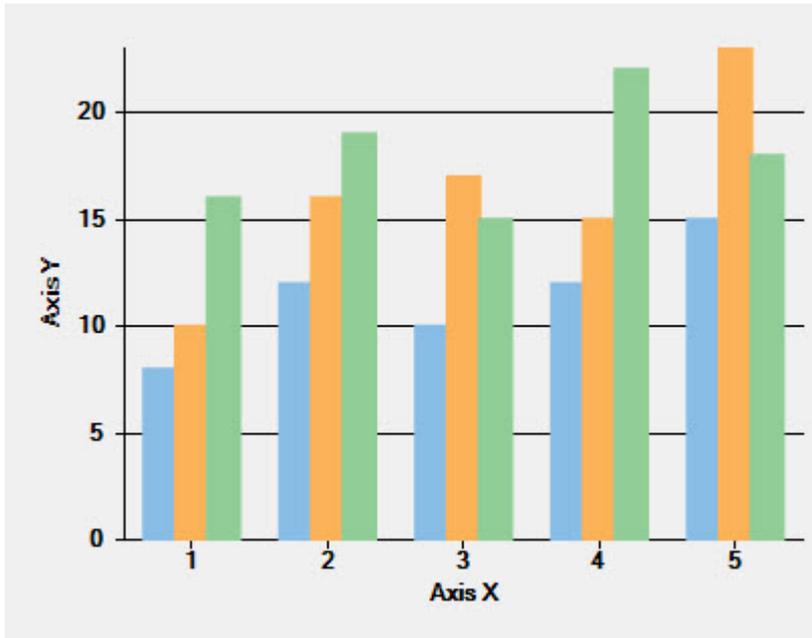
In FlexChart, the Legend is automatically generated based upon the series that have been added into the chart. However, you can use different properties to customize the Legend accordingly.

Property	Description
LegendPosition	Sets the position of the chart legend .
LegendStyle	Sets the style of the chart legend.
LegendToggle	Indicates whether clicking legend items toggles the series visibility in the chart.

For more details on Legend, refer to [FlexChart Legend](#).

Axes

In a chart, there are two primary axes: X and Y. There are, of course, exceptions when you work with pie charts.



In FlexChart, X-axis and Y-axis are represented by the [AxisX](#) and the [AxisY](#) property respectively. Both the properties return an [Axis](#) object comprising the properties given below:

Layout and Style Properties

Property	Description
AxisLine	Determines whether the axis line is visible.
AxisType	Contains the type of the axis.
Position	Sets the position of the axis.
Reversed	Reverses the direction of the axis.
Style	Sets the style of the axis.
Title	Sets the titles of the axis.

Axis Label Properties

Property	Description
Format	Sets the format string for the axis labels.
LabelAlignment	Sets the alignment of the axis labels.
LabelAngle	Set the rotation angle of the axis labels.
Labels	Determines whether the axis labels are visible.
MajorUnit	Sets the distance between axis labels.
OverlappingLabels	Indicates how to handle overlapping axis labels.

Axis Grouping Properties

Property	Description
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GroupNames	Sets the group name for the axis labels.
GroupItemsPath	Sets the group name for the axis labels in hierarchical data.
GroupSeparator	Set the axis group separator.
GroupProvider	Sets the axis group provider.

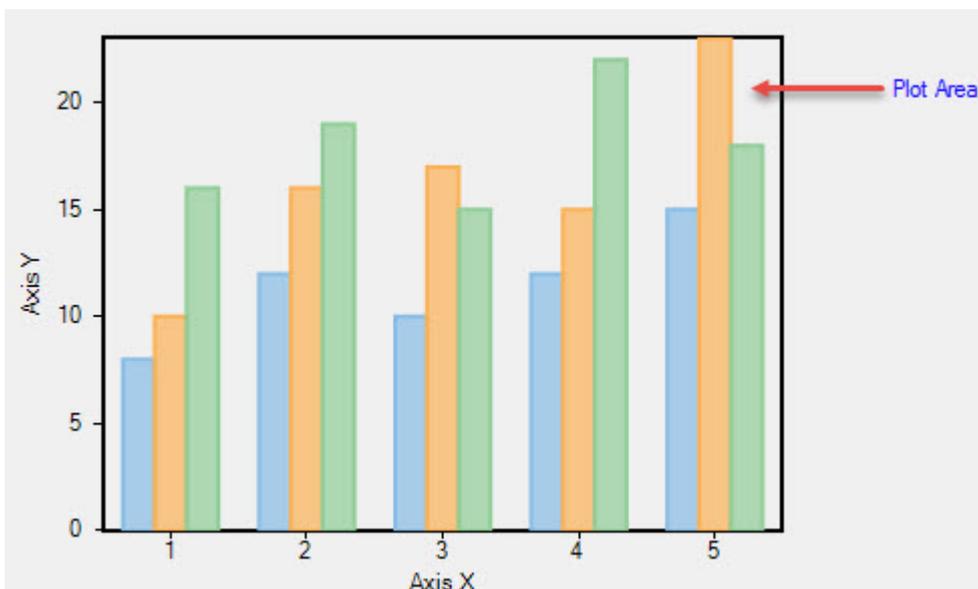
Scaling, Tick Mark, and Grid line Properties

Property	Description
MajorGrid	Determines whether the axis includes major grid lines.
MajorGridStyle	Contains properties to control the appearance of the major grid lines drawn perpendicular to the major tickmarks.
MinorGrid	Determines whether the axis includes minor grid lines.
MinorGridStyle	Contains properties to control the appearance of the minor grid lines drawn perpendicular to the minor tickmarks.
MajorTickMarks	Indicates the appearance of major tick marks.
MinorTickMarks	Indicates the appearance of minor tick marks.
Max	Sets the maximum value for the axis.
Min	Sets the minimum value for the axis.
Origin	Sets the value at which an axis crosses the perpendicular axis.

For more information on Axes, refer to [FlexChart Axes](#).

Plot Area

The Plot Area contains data plotted against X-axis and Y-axis.



In FlexChart, the Plot Area can be customized by using the [PlotStyle](#) property, which returns the [ChartStyle](#) object containing the following properties:

Property	Description
Fill	Sets the fill brush.
Stroke	Sets the stroke brush.
StrokeDashArray	Sets the stroke dash array.
StrokeThickness	Sets the stroke thickness.

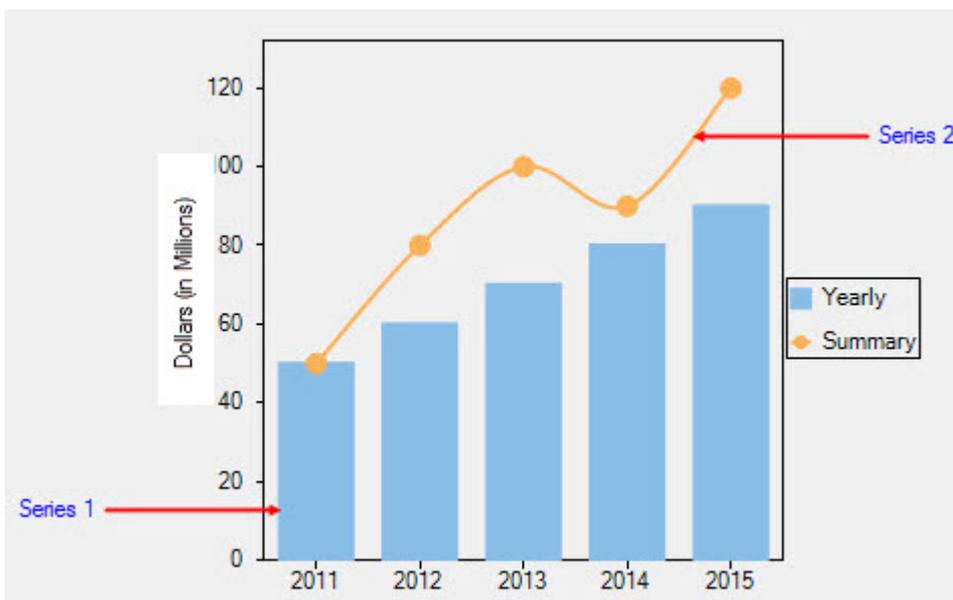
In addition, FlexChart allows creating multiple plot areas that increase data visibility by displaying a single series in a separate plot area.

For more information about multiple plot areas, see [Multiple Plot Areas](#).

Series

Series are the groupings of the related points of data inside the Plot Area of the chart.

The following image illustrates data series in FlexChart:



You can access the series collection in FlexChart by using the [Series](#) property. And you can control the chart series by using the [Series](#) object comprising the following properties:

Property	Description
ActualBinding	Gets the actual binding
ActualBindingX	Gets the actual X-binding
ActualChart	Gets the actual chart.
ActualItemsSource	Gets the actual items source.
AxisX	Sets the series X-axis.
AxisY	Sets the series Y-axis.
Binding	Sets the name of the property that contains Y values for the series.

BindingX	Sets the name of the property that contains X values for the series.
ChartType	Sets the series chart type.
ItemsSource	Sets the collection of objects containing the series data.
MemberPaths	Sets the array of member bindings for the series.
SeriesName	Sets the series name.
Style	Sets the style of the series.
SymbolMarker	Sets the shape of the marker to be used for each data point in the series. This property applies to Scatter, LineSymbols, and SplineSymbols chart types only.
SymbolSize	Sets the size (in pixels) of the symbols used to render the series. This property also applies to Scatter, LineSymbols, and SplineSymbols chart types only.
Visibility	Sets the series visibility.

For more information on series, refer to [FlexChart series](#).

FlexChart Types

FlexChart offers a comprehensive set of chart types to meet all data visualization requirements of your end-users.

Below is a full listing of all the chart types offered by the control. Based upon the chart type you would like to use in your application, click the corresponding link to avail key information on the same.

- [Area Chart](#)
- [Bar Chart](#)
- [Bubble Chart](#)
- [Column Chart](#)
- [Financial Charts](#)
- [Floating Bar Chart](#)
- [Funnel Chart](#)
- [Histogram Chart](#)
- [Line Chart](#)
- [LineSymbols Chart](#)
- [Mixed Chart](#)
- [Pareto Chart](#)
- [RangedHistogram Chart](#)
- [Scatter Chart](#)
- [Spline Chart](#)
- [SplineArea Chart](#)
- [SplineSymbols Chart](#)
- [Step Chart](#)

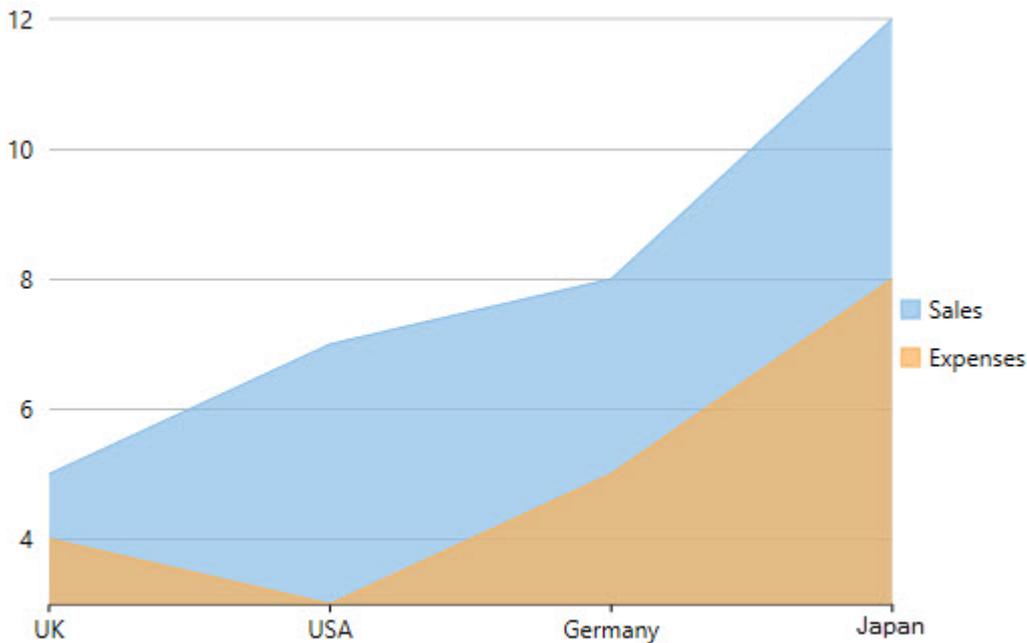
Area

The Area Chart depicts change in data over a period of time. It represents data series by connecting data points against Y-axis and filling the area between the series and X-axis. In addition, the chart displays data series in the same order in which they are added—back-to-front.

To create the Area Chart, you can set the [ChartType](#) property to Area in the Properties window or in XAML. Or you can also set the same programmatically.

In addition, you can set the [Stacking](#) property to Stacked or Stacked100pc to create the stacking Area Chart.

Area Chart



The following code implements the above-mentioned scenario:

XAML

```
<c1:C1FlexChart x:Name="flexChart"
    BindingX="Country"
    ItemsSource="{Binding DataContext.Data}"
    ChartType="Area"
    Margin="0,0,74,0">
    <c1:C1FlexChart.Series>
        <c1:Series SeriesName="Sales"
            Binding="Sales"/>
        <c1:Series SeriesName="Expenses"
            Binding="Expenses"/>
    </c1:C1FlexChart.Series>
</c1:C1FlexChart>
```

Code

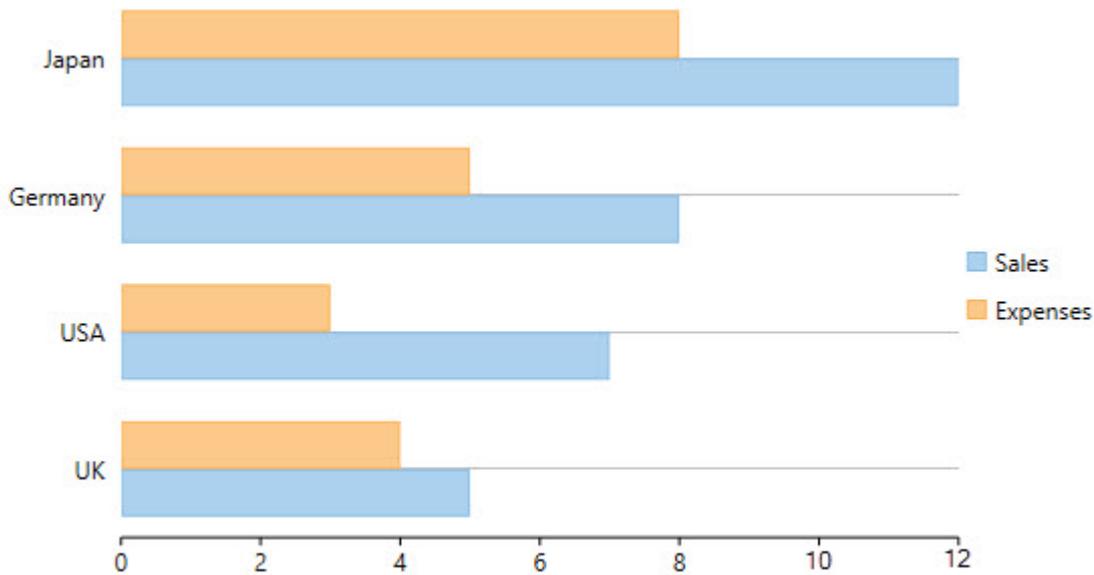
C#	copyCode
flexChart.ChartType = C1.Chart.ChartType.Area;	

Bar

The Bar Chart compares values across various categories or displays variations in a data series over time. The chart displays horizontal bars for data series plotted against X-axis and arranges categories or items on Y-axis.

Set the [ChartType](#) property to Bar in the Properties window, in XAML, or in code to create the Bar Chart. To create the stacking Bar Chart, you need to set the [Stacking](#) property either to Stacked or Stacked100pc.

Bar Chart



See the following code to implement the scenario:

XAML

```
<c1:C1FlexChart x:Name="flexChart"
    BindingX="Country"
    ItemsSource="{Binding DataContext.Data}"
    ChartType="Bar">
    <c1:C1FlexChart.Series>
        <c1:Series SeriesName="Sales"
            Binding="Sales"/>
        <c1:Series SeriesName="Expenses"
            Binding="Expenses"/>
    </c1:C1FlexChart.Series>
</c1:C1FlexChart>
```

Code

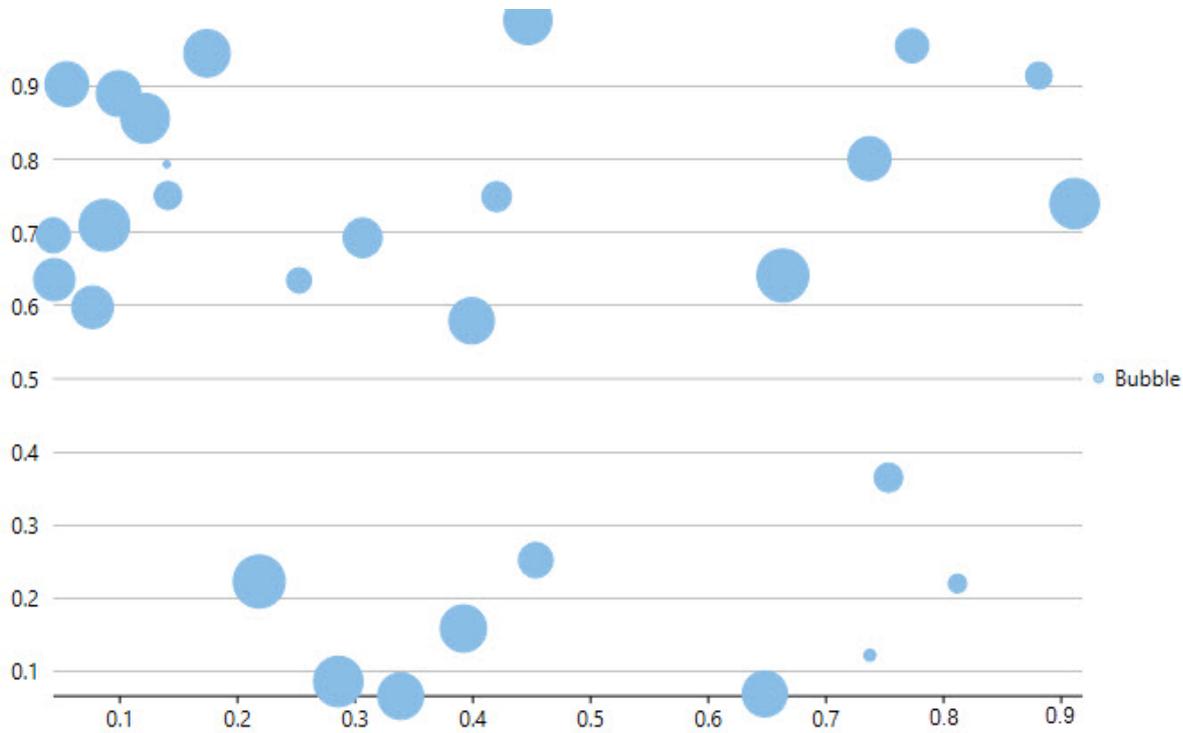
C#	copyCode
flexChart.ChartType = C1.Chart.ChartType.Bar;	

Bubble

The Bubble Chart, which is basically a type of the Scatter Chart, is used for graphical representation of multi-dimensional data. It displays an additional data value at each point by changing its size. The chart type represents data points in the form of bubbles (data markers) whose X and Y coordinates are determined by two data values and whose size indicates the value of a third variable.

To create the Bubble Chart, you need to set the `ChartType` property to `Bubble` either in the Properties window (at design-time) or code behind (at run-time). You can also set the same in XAML.

Bubble Chart



Below is the implementation in code:

XAML

```
<c1:C1FlexChart x:Name="flexChart"
    BindingX="X"
    ItemsSource="{Binding DataContext.Data}"
    ChartType="Bubble">
    <c1:C1FlexChart.Series>
        <c1:Series SeriesName="Bubble"
            Binding="Y,Size"/>
    </c1:C1FlexChart.Series>
</c1:C1FlexChart>
```

Code

C#

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```
flexChart.ChartType = ChartType.Bubble;
```

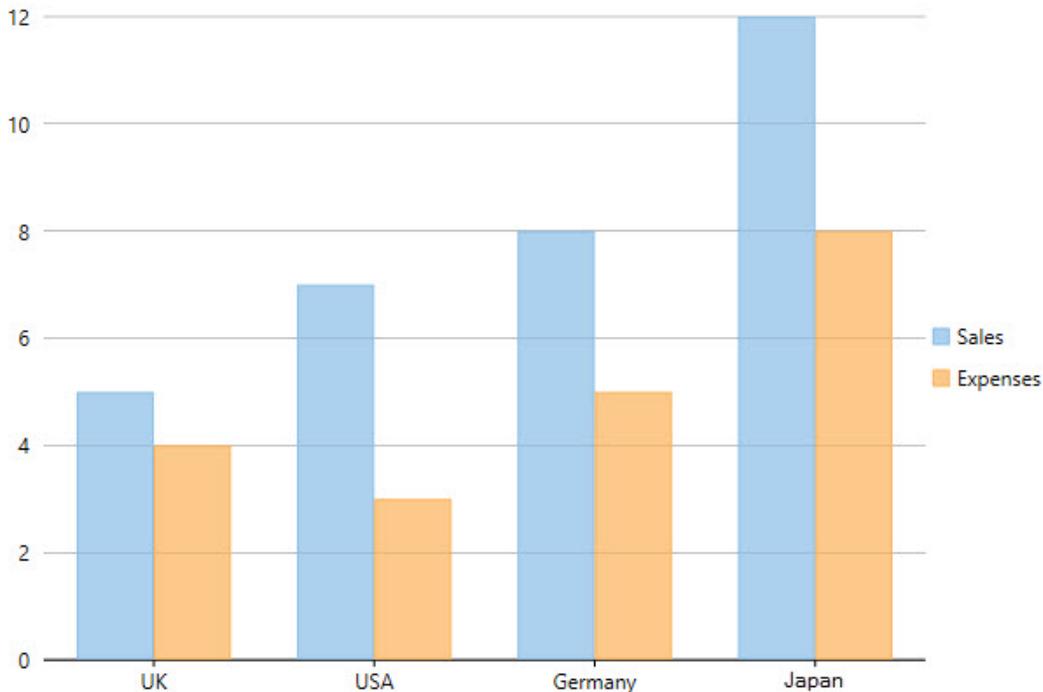
Column

The Column Chart, just like the Bar Chart, represents variation in a data series over time or compares different items. It displays values of one or more items as vertical bars against Y-axis and arranges items or categories on X-axis.

You need to set the [ChartType](#) property to Column in the Property window, in the code behind, or in XAML to create the Column Chart.

Set the [Stacking](#) property to Stacked or Stacked100pc to create the stacking Column Chart.

Column Chart



The code below demonstrates the implementation:

XAML

```
<c1:C1FlexChart x:Name="flexChart"
    BindingX="Country"
    ItemsSource="{Binding DataContext.Data}"
    ChartType="Column">
    <c1:C1FlexChart.Series>
        <c1:Series SeriesName="Sales"
            Binding="Sales"/>
        <c1:Series SeriesName="Expenses"
            Binding="Expenses"/>
    </c1:C1FlexChart.Series>
</c1:C1FlexChart>
```

Code

C#

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```
flexChart.ChartType = C1.Chart.ChartType.Column;
```

Financial

Financial charts are used to represent fluctuation in market or stock prices; nonetheless, these charts can also be used

to represent scientific data.

The **FlexChart** control supports two types of financial charts: Candle Chart and HighLowOpenClose Chart.

To use these chart types, you need to set the **ChartType** property either to **Candlestick** or to **HighLowOpenClose** at design-time or run-time or in XAML.

Following are the financial chart types:

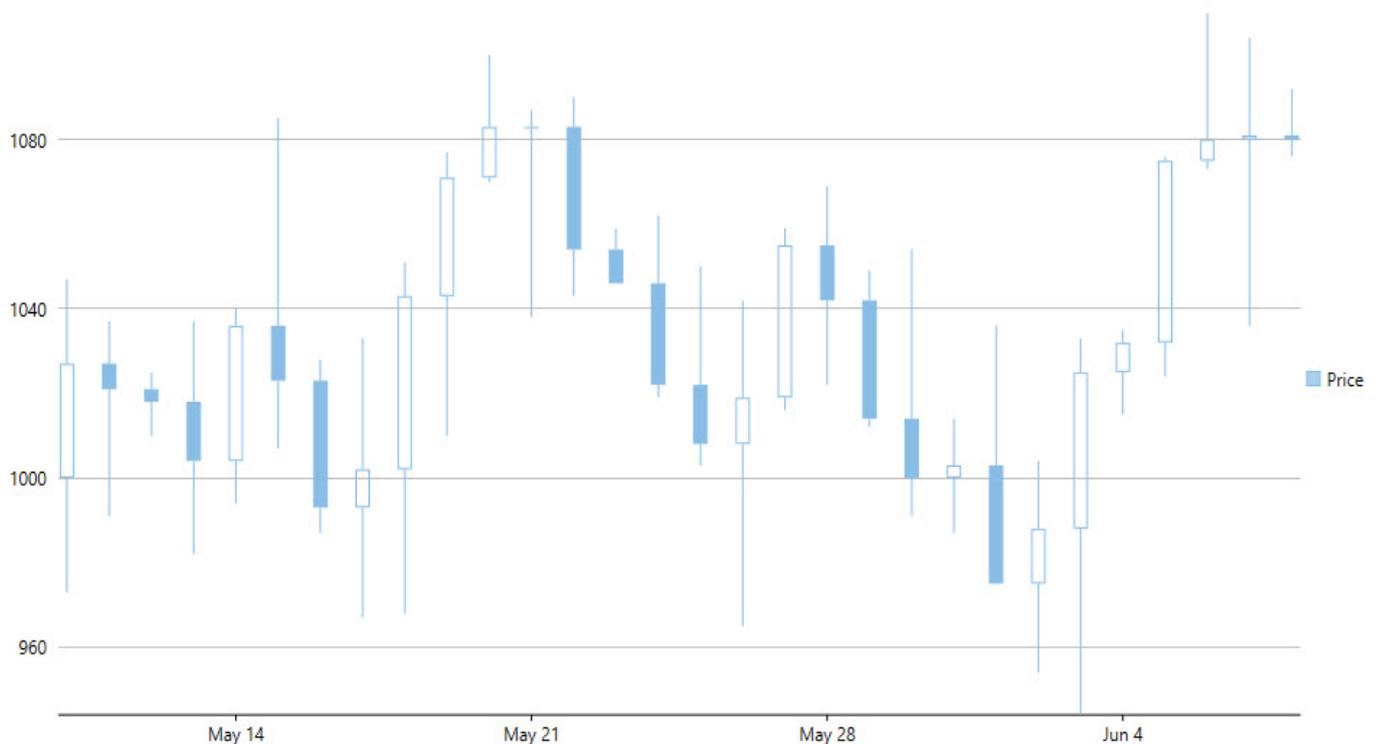
- [Candle Chart](#)
- [HighLowOpenClose Chart](#)

Candle

The Candle Chart integrates Bar and Line charts to depict a range of values over time. It consists of visual elements known as candles that are further comprised of three elements: body, wick, and tail.

- The body represents the opening and the closing value, while the wick and the tail represent the highest and the lowest value respectively.
- A hollow body indicates a rising stock price (the closing value is greater than the opening value).
- A filled body indicates a falling stock price (the opening value is greater than the closing value).

Candle Chart



The following code shows the implementation:

XAML

```
<c1:C1FlexChart x:Name="flexChart"
    BindingX="Time"
    ItemsSource="{Binding DataContext.Data}"
    ChartType="Candlestick">
    <c1:C1FlexChart.Series>
        <c1:Series SeriesName="Price"
            Binding="High,Low,Open,Close"/>
    </c1:C1FlexChart.Series>
</c1:C1FlexChart>
```

Code

C#

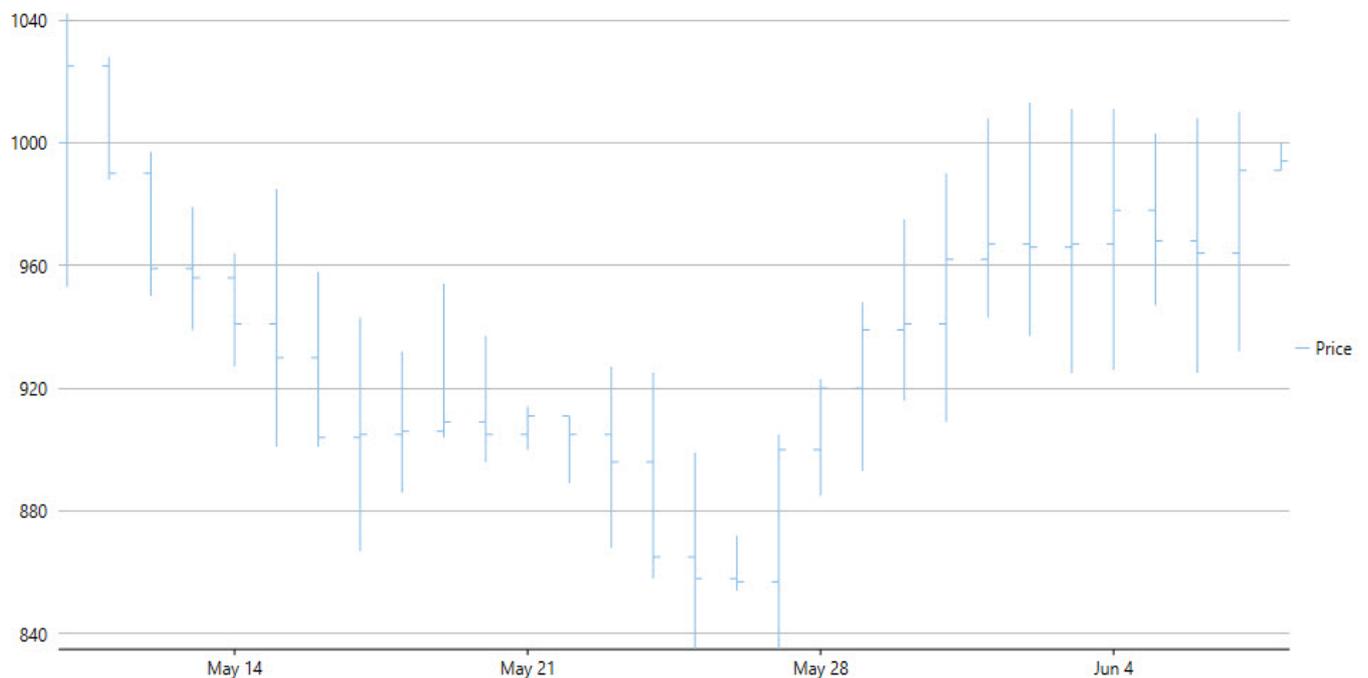
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```
flexChart.ChartType = C1.Chart.ChartType.Candlestick;
```

HighLowOpenClose

The HighLowOpenClose Chart is generally used in stock analysis. The chart combines four independent values to supply high, low, open, and close data values for each data point in a series.

HighLowOpenClose Chart



See the following code for implementing the scenario:

XAML

```
<c1:C1FlexChart x:Name="flexChart"
    BindingX="Time"
    ItemsSource="{Binding DataContext.Data}"
    ChartType="HighLowOpenClose">
    <c1:C1FlexChart.Series>
```

```
<c1:Series SeriesName="Price"
           Binding="High,Low,Open,Close"/>
</c1:C1FlexChart.Series>
</c1:C1FlexChart>
```

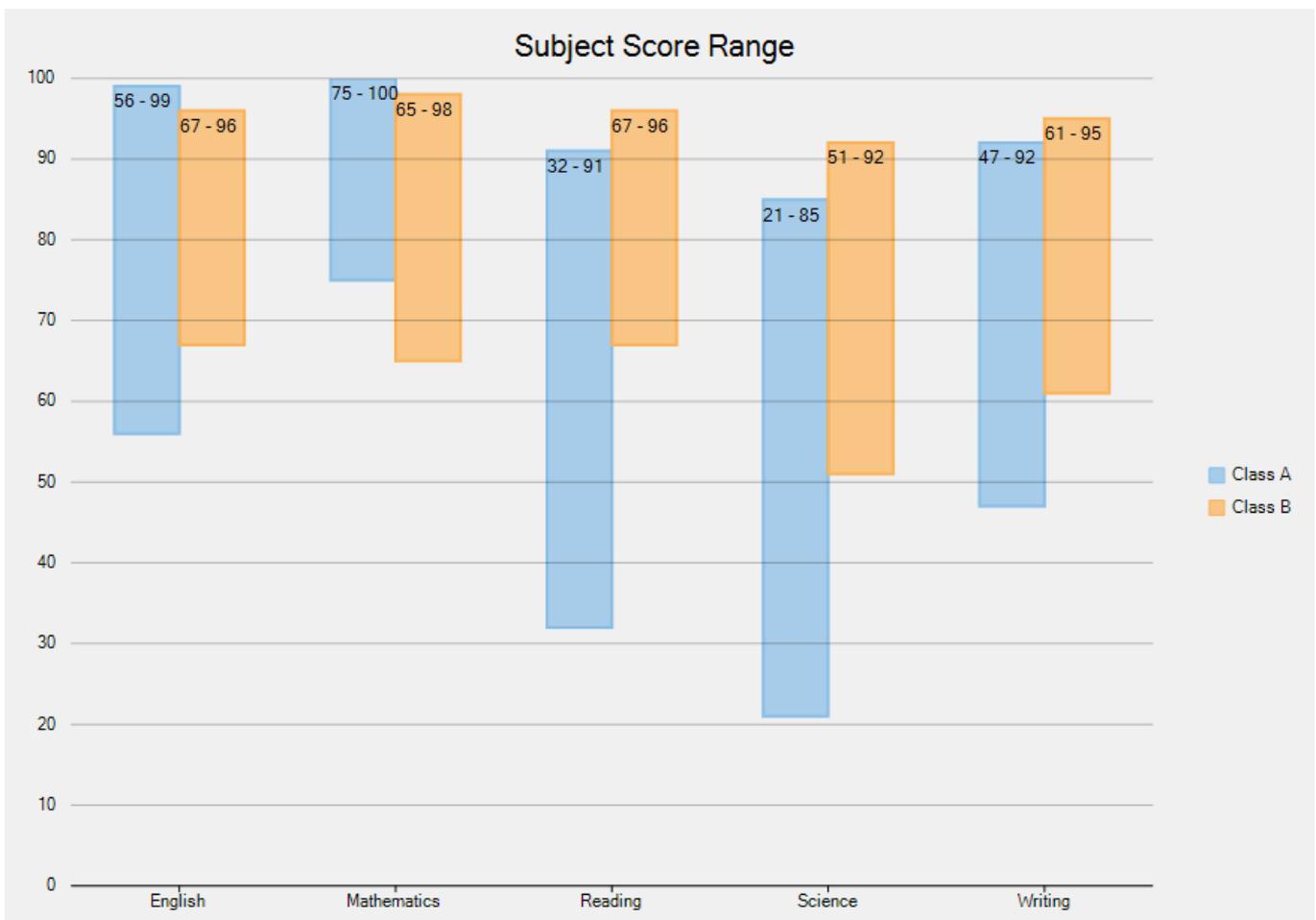
Code

C#	copyCode
<pre>flexChart.ChartType = C1.Chart.ChartType.HighLowOpenClose;</pre>	

Floating Bar

Floating bar chart provides an interesting way to represent data in charts. In this type of chart, a single or multiple bars apparently floats between a minimum and maximum value instead of being connected to the axis. It displays information as a range of data by plotting two Y-values (low and high) per data point. The Y-axis shows the values, and the X-axis shows the category they belong to. Floating bars can be useful to show highs and lows in a data set, such as daily high and low temperatures, stock prices, blood pressure readings, etc.

In FlexChart, Floating bar chart can be implemented using the [Series](#) class. To begin with, create a new Series object and specify its properties. Then, use the [SymbolRendering](#) event provided by the Series class to plot the data points on the chart.



To implement Floating bar chart using the FlexChart control, see **FloatingBarChart** sample. The samples are available in the default installation folder - *Documents\ComponentOne Samples*

Funnel

A funnel chart allows you to visualize a linear process having connected stages. For instance, a sales process that tracks prospects across the stages, such as Sales Prospects, Qualified Prospects, Price Quotes, Negotiations, and Closed Sales.

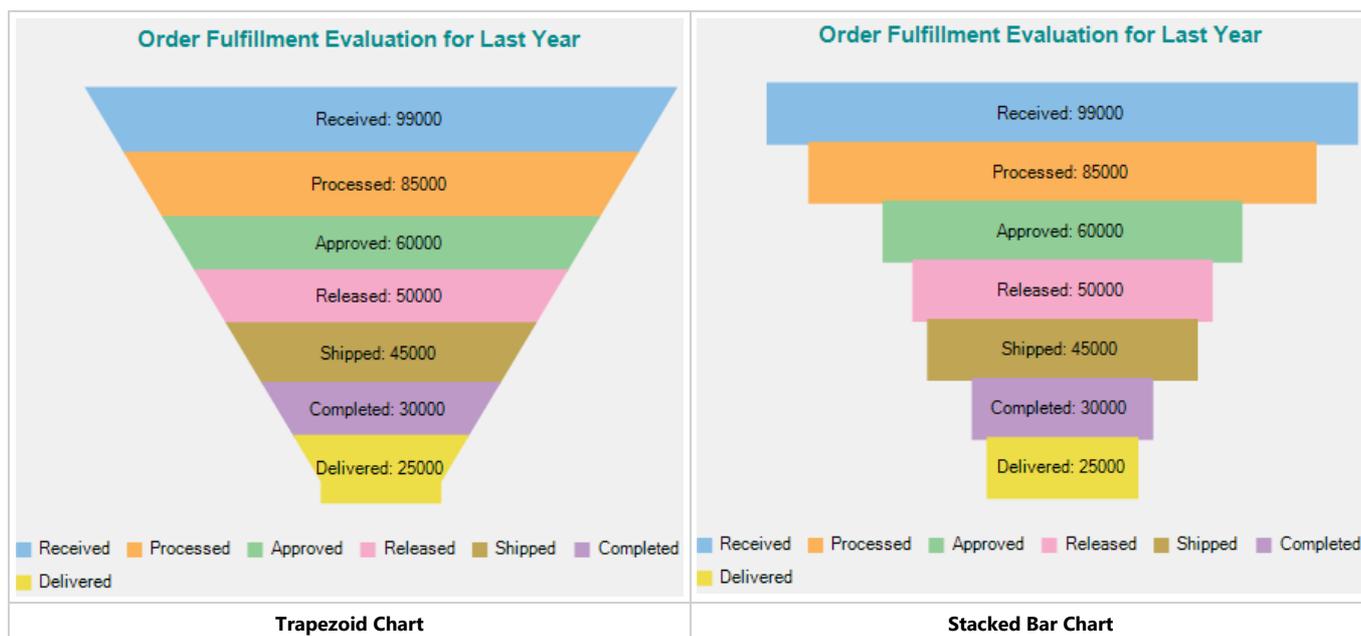
In the process, each stage represents a proportion (percentage) of the total. Therefore, the chart takes the funnel shape with the first stage being the largest and each following stage smaller than the predecessor.

Funnel charts are useful in identifying potential problem areas in processes where it is noticeable at what stages and rate the values decrease.

FlexChart offers the Funnel chart in two forms, as follows.

- **Trapezoid chart:** Contains a pair of parallel sides.
- **Stacked Bar chart:** Places related values on top of one another in the form of horizontal bars.

The following images show both Trapezoid and Stacked Bar charts displaying the number of orders across seven stages of an order fulfillment evaluation process.



In FlexChart, use the Funnel chart by setting the `ChartType` property to **Funnel** from the `ChartType` enum. Specify the type of the Funnel chart as either Trapezoid or Stacked Bar chart by setting the `FunnelType` property to `Default` or `Rectangle` from the `FunnelChartType` enum.

In addition, change the dimensions of the neck of the Funnel chart, when set as Trapezoid chart, by setting the `FunnelNeckWidth` and `FunnelNeckHeight` properties. These properties are available in the `ChartOptions` class accessible through the `Options` property of the `C1FlexChart` class.

The following code creates a class, **DataCreator** to create data containing values for the amount of orders across seven stages of an order fulfillment process.

- **Visual Basic**

```

Class DataCreator
    Public Shared Function CreateFunnelData() As List(Of DataItem)
        Dim data = New List(Of DataItem) ()
        data.Add(New DataItem("Received", 99000))
        data.Add(New DataItem("Processed", 85000))
        data.Add(New DataItem("Approved", 60000))
        data.Add(New DataItem("Released", 50000))
        data.Add(New DataItem("Shipped", 45000))
        data.Add(New DataItem("Completed", 30000))
        data.Add(New DataItem("Delivered", 25000))
        Return data
    End Function
End Class

Public Class DataItem
    Public Sub New(order__1 As String, value__2 As Integer)
        Order = order__1
        Value = value__2
    End Sub

    Public Property Order() As String
        Get
            Return m_Order
        End Get
    End Property
End Class
    
```

```

        End Get
        Set
            m_Order = Value
        End Set
    End Property
    Private m_Order As String
    Public Property Value() As Integer
        Get
            Return m_Value
        End Get
        Set
            m_Value = Value
        End Set
    End Property
    Private m_Value As Integer
End Class

```

- **C#**

```

class DataCreator
{
    public static List<DataItem> CreateFunnelData ()
    {
        var data = new List<DataItem>();
        data.Add(new DataItem("Received", 99000));
        data.Add(new DataItem("Processed", 85000));
        data.Add(new DataItem("Approved", 60000));
        data.Add(new DataItem("Released", 50000));
        data.Add(new DataItem("Shipped", 45000));
        data.Add(new DataItem("Completed", 30000));
        data.Add(new DataItem("Delivered", 25000));
        return data;
    }
}

public class DataItem
{
    public DataItem(string order, int value)
    {
        Order = order;
        Value = value;
    }

    public string Order { get; set; }
    public int Value { get; set; }
}

```

The following code sets the chart type as Funnel, specifies the dimensions of the Funnel neck, and sets Header, Legend, and Data Labels of the chart.

XAML

```

<Window
    xmlns="http://schemas.microsoft.com/winfx/2006/xaml/presentation"
    xmlns:x="http://schemas.microsoft.com/winfx/2006/xaml"
    xmlns:d="http://schemas.microsoft.com/expression/blend/2008"
    xmlns:mc="http://schemas.openxmlformats.org/markup-compatibility/2006"
    xmlns:local="clr-namespace:FunnelChart"
    xmlns:c1="http://schemas.componentone.com/winfx/2006/xaml"
    x:Class="FunnelChart.MainWindow"
    mc:Ignorable="d"
    DataContext="{Binding RelativeSource={RelativeSource Mode=Self}}"
    Title="MainWindow" Height="705.284" Width="905.322">
<Grid Margin="0,0,0,-117">

    <c1:C1FlexChart x:Name="flexChart"
        BindingX ="Order"
        ChartType="Funnel"
        ItemsSource="{Binding Data}"
        HorizontalAlignment="Left"
        Height="471"
        Margin="6,169,0,0"
        VerticalAlignment="Top"
        Width="792"
        Header="Order Fulfillment Evaluation for Last Year"
        HeaderAlignment="Center"
        LegendPosition="Bottom">
        <c1:C1FlexChart.HeaderStyle>
            <c1:ChartStyle FontFamily="Arial"
                FontSize="13"
                FontWeight="Bold"
                Stroke="DarkCyan"/>

```

```

        </cl:C1FlexChart.HeaderStyle>
        <cl:Series Binding="Value">
        </cl:Series>
        <cl:C1FlexChart.DataLabel>
            <cl:DataLabel Content="{Order}: {y}"
                Position="Center"/>
        </cl:C1FlexChart.DataLabel>
        <cl:C1FlexChart.Options>
            <cl:ChartOptions FunnelType="Default"
                FunnelNeckHeight="0.05"
                FunnelNeckWidth="0.2"/>
        </cl:C1FlexChart.Options>
    </cl:C1FlexChart>
</Grid>
</Window>

```

Code

MainWindow.xaml.vb

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```

Partial Public Class MainWindow
    Inherits Window
    Private _data As List(Of DataItem)

    Public Sub New()
        InitializeComponent()
    End Sub

    Public ReadOnly Property Data() As List(Of DataItem)
        Get
            If _data Is Nothing Then
                _data = DataCreator.CreateFunnelData()
            End If

            Return _data
        End Get
    End Property
End Class

```

MainWindow.xaml.cs

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```

public partial class MainWindow : Window
{
    private List<DataItem> _data;

    public MainWindow()
    {
        InitializeComponent();
    }

    public List<DataItem> Data
    {
        get
        {
            if (_data == null)
            {
                _data = DataCreator.CreateFunnelData();
            }

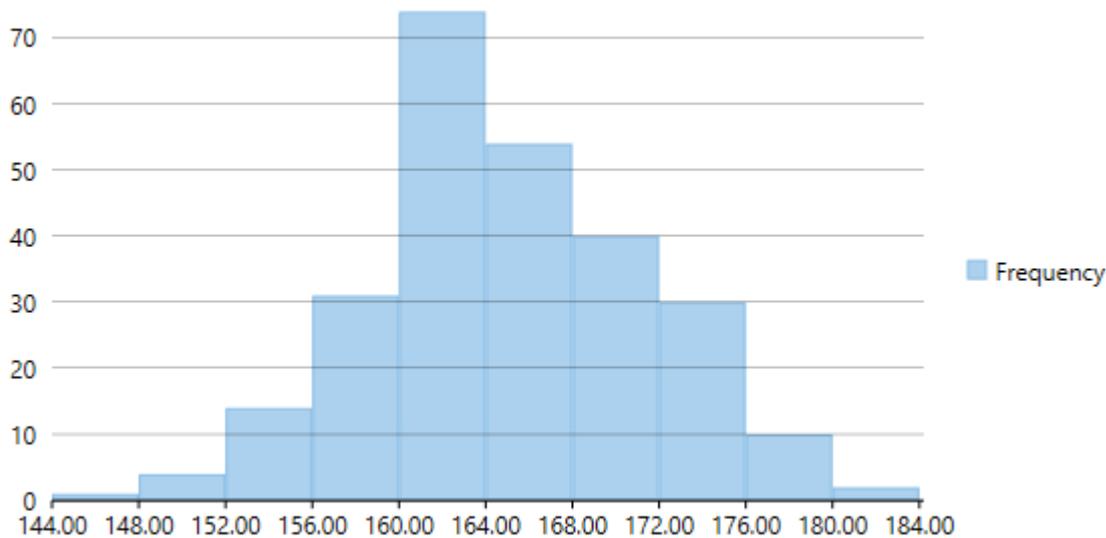
            return _data;
        }
    }
}

```

Histogram

Histogram chart plots the frequency distribution of data against the defined class intervals or bins. These bins are created by dividing the raw data values into a series of consecutive and non-overlapping intervals. Based on the number of values falling in a particular bin, frequencies are then plotted as rectangular columns against continuous x-axis.

Following image illustrates a classic histogram chart, which depicts frequency distribution of scores obtained by students of a university in half yearly examinations.



To create a histogram, you need to add the [Histogram](#) series and set the [ChartType](#) property to **Histogram**. Once you provide relevant data, FlexChart generates frequency distribution for the data and plots the same in histogram. The chart automatically calculates the intervals in which your data is grouped. However, if required, you can also specify the width of these intervals by setting the [BinWidth](#) property.

The following code snippet demonstrates how to generate Histogram chart for a particular data.

- **Xaml**

```
<Chart:C1FlexChart x:Name="flexChart"
    ChartType="Histogram"
    ItemsSource="{Binding DataContext.Data}"
    Binding="Y"
    BindingX="X">
    <Chart:C1FlexChart.AxisX>
        <Chart:Axis Format="0.00"></Chart:Axis>
    </Chart:C1FlexChart.AxisX>
    <Chart:Histogram x:Name="histogramSeries" SeriesName="Frequency"/>
</Chart:C1FlexChart>
```



Note that x-axis of Histogram chart can be shared by other chart series, which can be displayed together with the classic histogram series.

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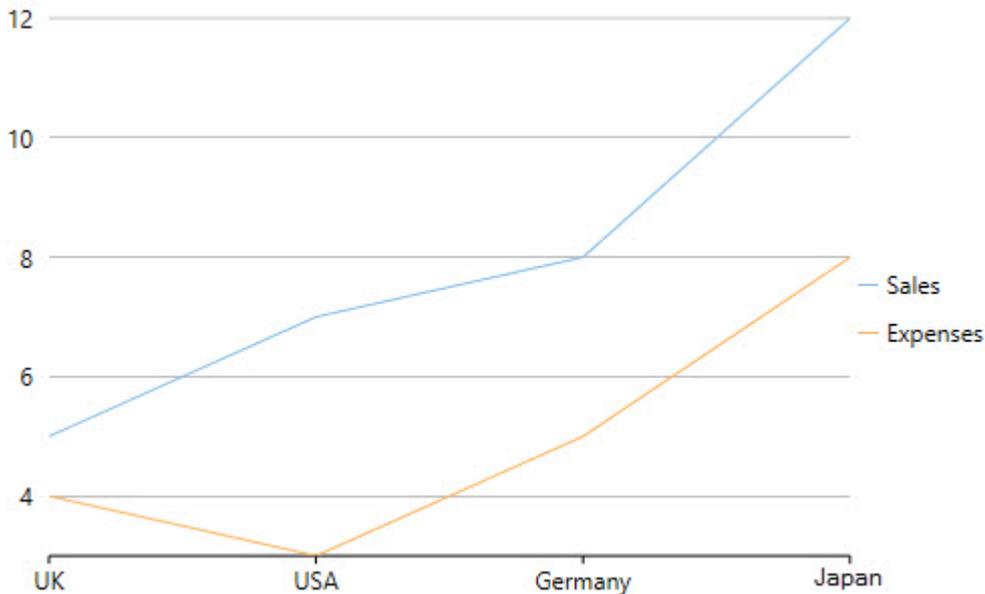
Line

The Line Chart displays trends over a period of time by connecting different data points in a series with a straight line. It treats the input as categorical information that is evenly spaced along the X-axis.

You can create the Line Chart by setting the [ChartType](#) property to Line in XAML, at design-time, or using code.

To create the stacking Line Chart, you need to set the [Stacking](#) property to Stacked or Stacked100pc.

Line Chart



Below is the code that implements the aforementioned example:

XAML

```
<c1:C1FlexChart x:Name="flexChart"
    BindingX="Country"
    ItemsSource="{Binding DataContext.Data}"
    ChartType="Line">
    <c1:C1FlexChart.Series>
        <c1:Series SeriesName="Sales"
            Binding="Sales"/>
        <c1:Series SeriesName="Expenses"
            Binding="Expenses"/>
    </c1:C1FlexChart.Series>
</c1:C1FlexChart>
```

Code

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<pre>flexChart.ChartType = C1.Chart.ChartType.Line;</pre>	

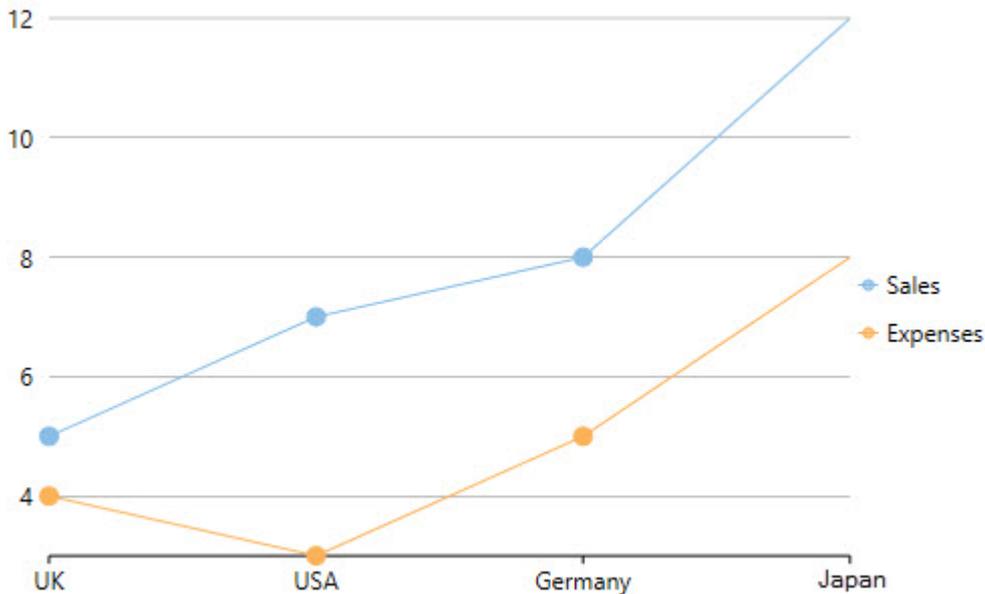
LineSymbols

The LineSymbols Chart is a combination of the Line Chart and the Scatter Chart. The chart displays trends in data at equal intervals and visualizes relationship between two variables related to the same event. It plots data points by using symbols and connects the data points by using straight lines.

You need to set the [ChartType](#) property to LineSymbols either at design-time, in XAML, or at run-time to create the LineSymbols Chart.

You can set the [Stacking](#) property to Stacked or Stacked100pc to create the stacking LineSymbols Chart.

LineSymbols Chart



Below is the implementation in code:

XAML

```
<c1:C1FlexChart x:Name="flexChart"
    BindingX="Country"
    ItemsSource="{Binding DataContext.Data}"
    ChartType="LineSymbols">
    <c1:C1FlexChart.Series>
        <c1:Series SeriesName="Sales"
            Binding="Sales"/>
        <c1:Series SeriesName="Expenses"
            Binding="Expenses"/>
    </c1:C1FlexChart.Series>
</c1:C1FlexChart>
```

Code

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<pre>flexChart.ChartType = C1.Chart.ChartType.LineSymbols;</pre>	

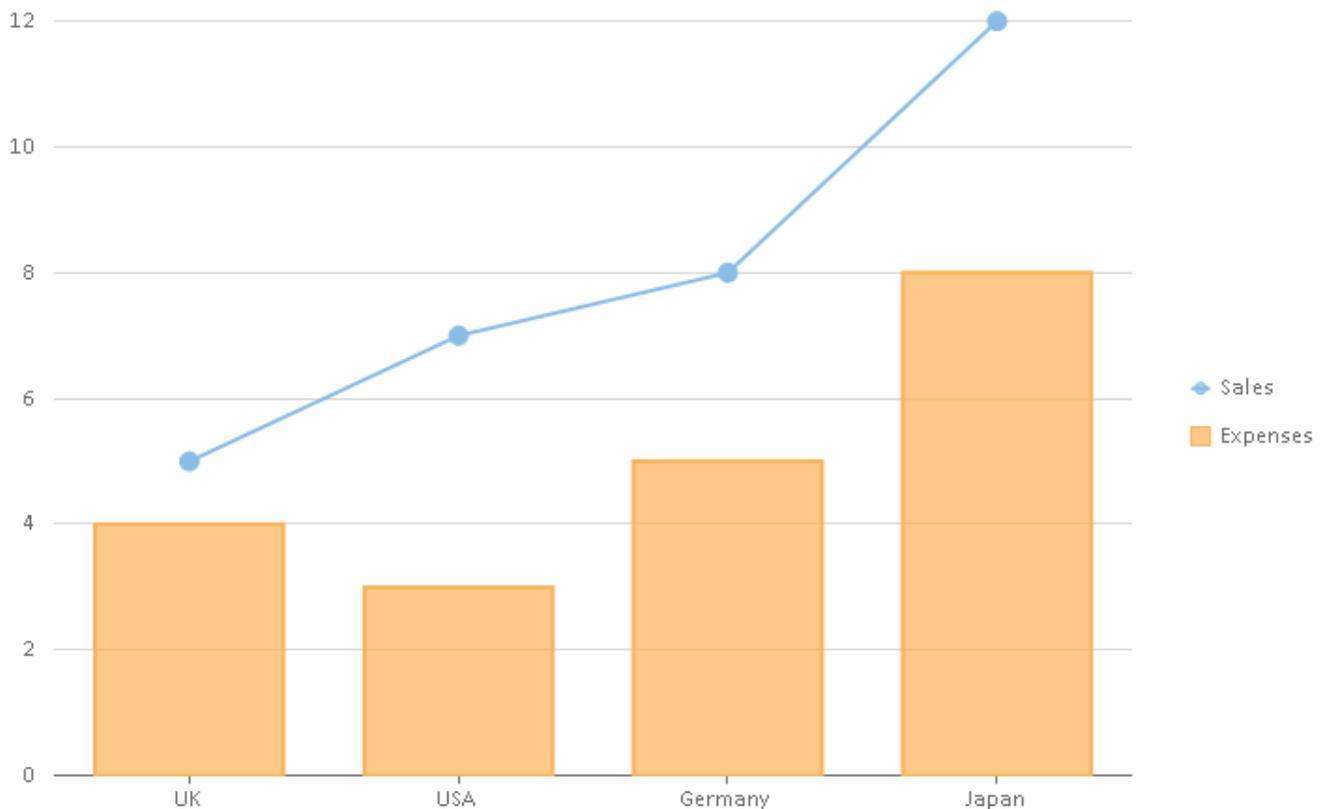
Mixed

FlexChart allows you to create mixed charts that offer two key advantages, as follows:

- **Combining chart types:** Combine two or more chart types in a single chart, for instance, area-bar, bar-line, bar-scatter etc. Plot different metrics in a chart using different chart types and let the end user interpret data easily. In FlexChart, specify a chart type for each series to combine several chart types. To specify the chart type for a series, set the [ChartType](#) property of the [Series](#) class. Setting this property overrides the [ChartType](#) property set for the chart.
- **Plotting multiple datasets:** Plot data from multiple datasets in a single chart by specifying data source for a

series. This is useful when the data to plot lies at multiple places. To specify the data source for a series, set the `ItemsSource` property of the Series class. Setting this property overrides the `ItemsSource` property set for the chart.

The following image displays a mixed chart that combines column and line symbols chart types. The chart plots and compares sales and expenses data of four countries.



The following code sets the Column chart type for FlexChart and overrides it by setting the LineSymbols chart type for the Sales series, thereby implementing mixed charts.

- **XAML**

```
<c1:C1FlexChart x:Name="flexChart"
    BindingX="Country"
    ChartType="Column"
    ItemsSource="{Binding DataContext.Data}">
    <c1:Series SeriesName="Sales"
        Binding="Sales"
        ChartType="LineSymbols"/>
    <c1:Series SeriesName="Expenses"
        Binding="Expenses"/>
</c1:C1FlexChart>
```

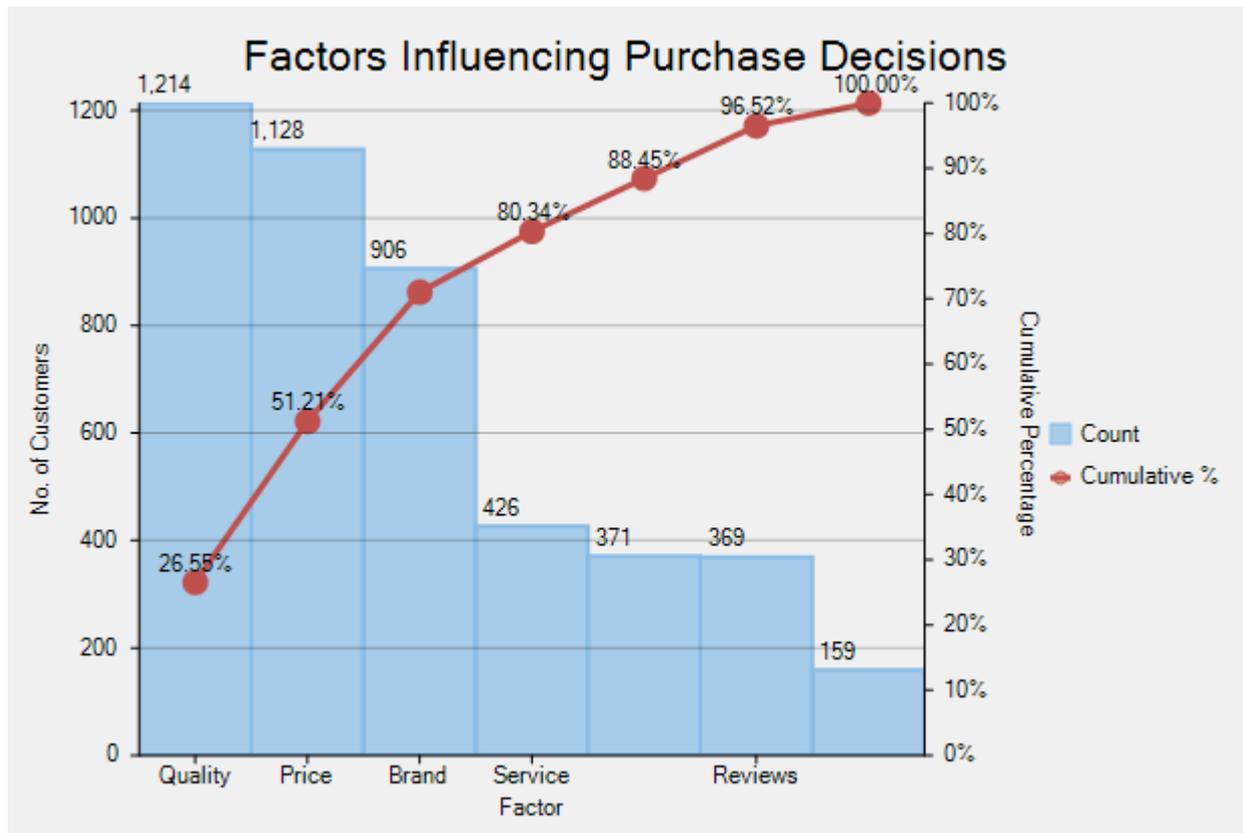
Pareto Chart

Pareto chart is a type of chart that contains both bar and a line chart. It is a vertical bar chart in which values are plotted in decreasing order of relative frequency from left to right. The categories or factors that represent the bigger bars on the left are more important than those on the right. The line chart plots the cumulative total percentage of frequencies that are represented by the bars.

Pareto chart is essentially used in scenarios where the data is broken into different categories, and when the

developer needs to highlight the most important factors from a given set of factors. For example, quality control, inventory control, and customer grievance handling are some areas where Pareto chart analysis can be frequently used.

In FlexChart, Pareto chart can be easily created by combining RangedHistogram chart with any of Line, Spline, LineSymbol, or SplineSymbol chart. First, plot the relative frequency on a RangedHistogram in descending order. Then, calculate the cumulative relative frequency in percentage using original data to create another series which is plotted on any of the Line, Spline, LineSymbol, or SplineSymbol chart. This forms Pareto line of the chart which helps in identifying the added contribution of each category.



To implement Pareto chart using the FlexChart control, see **FlexChartExplorer** sample. The samples are available in the default installation folder - *Documents\ComponentOne Samples*

RangedHistogram

RangedHistogram is a modern Excel-like histogram chart that helps visualize frequency distribution on y axis, against **ranked** x axis. Like Histogram chart type, bins are created by dividing the raw data values into a series of consecutive, non-overlapping intervals. Based on the number of values falling in a particular bin, frequencies are then plotted as rectangular columns against x-axis.

[RangedHistogram](#) plots frequency distribution for the provided data in non-category and category modes.

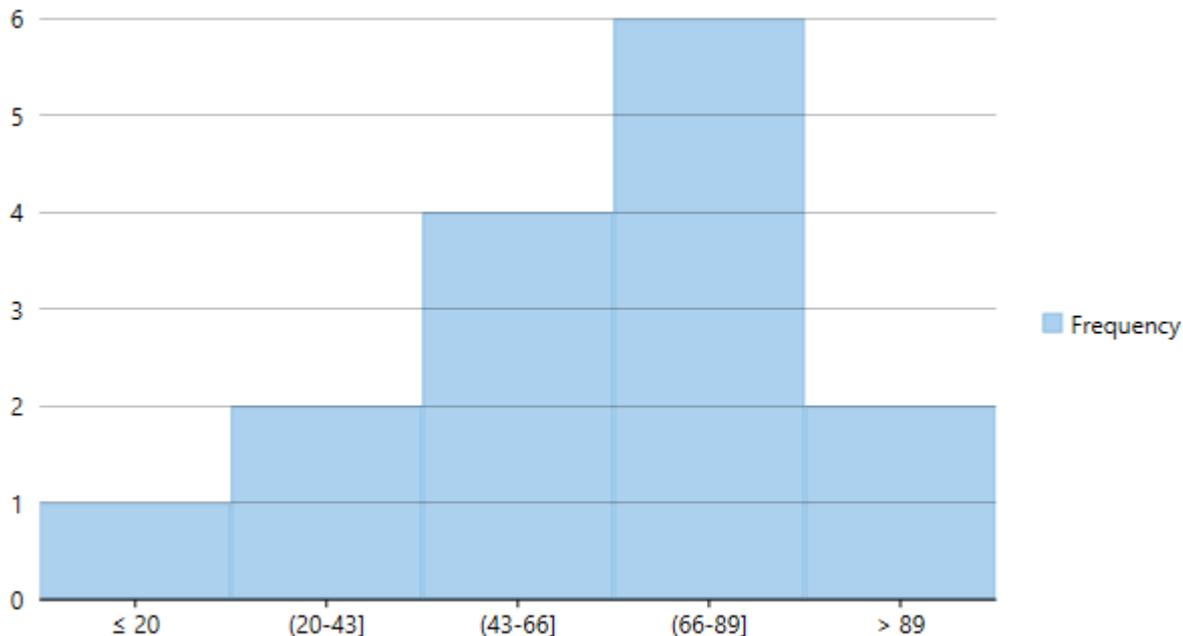
Non-Category Mode

In non-category mode, the original data points are binned into intervals or ranges. These intervals are then plotted on x-axis, and y-axis shows frequency distribution for respective ranges. FlexChart automatically calculates the intervals in which your data is grouped.

However, you can control this behavior by specifying the [HistogramBinning](#) through [BinMode](#) property. Moreover, you can further set [BinWidth](#), [NumberOfBins](#), values for [UnderflowBin](#) and [OverflowBin](#), and specify whether to

[ShowUnderflowBin](#) and [ShowOverflowBin](#).

The following image illustrates frequency distribution for units sold of various products of a retail store in non-category mode.



To create a RangedHistogram, for a given data in non-category mode, you need to add the [RangedHistogram](#) series and set the [ChartType](#) property to **RangedHistogram**, as shown in the following code snippet.

- Xaml

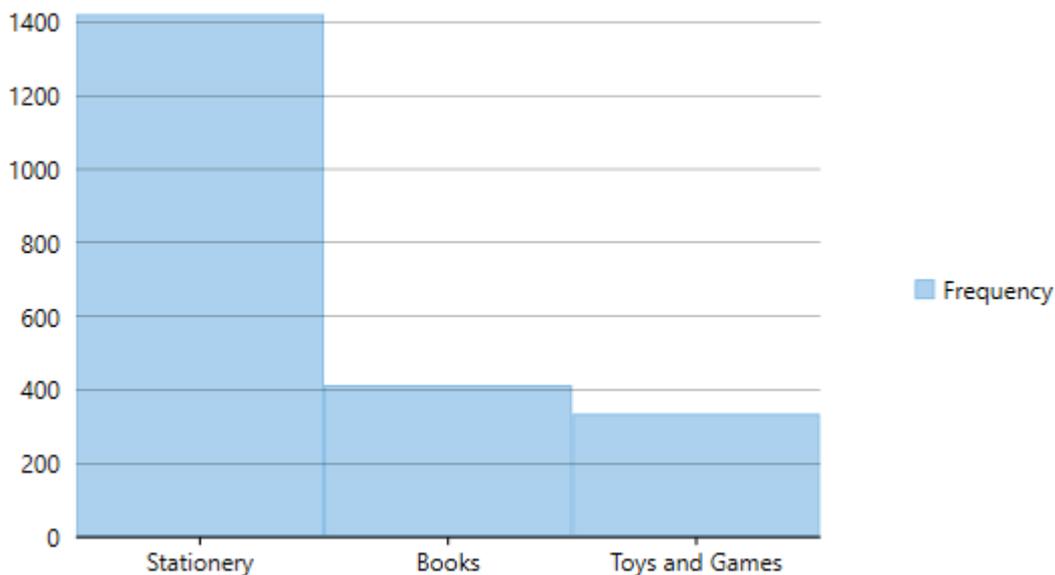
```
<Chart:C1FlexChart x:Name="flexChart"
    ChartType="RangedHistogram"
    ItemsSource="{Binding DataContext.Data}"
    Binding="Value">
    <Chart:RangedHistogram x:Name="RangedhistogramSeries"
        SeriesName="Frequency"
        BinMode="NumberOfBins"
        NumberOfBins="5"
        OverflowBin="89"
        UnderflowBin="20"
        ShowOverflowBin="True"
        ShowUnderflowBin="True"/>
</Chart:C1FlexChart>
```

Category Mode

In Category mode, frequency data is exclusively grouped in categories (which are plotted on x-axis) as provided by the original data and y-axis depicts cumulative frequency for the respective categories. Category mode is enabled for RangedHistogram series by setting the [BindingX](#) property.

In this mode, [BinMode](#), [BinWidth](#), [NumberOfBins](#), [OverflowBin](#), and [UnderflowBin](#) properties for RangedHistogram series are ignored.

The following image illustrates frequency distribution for units sold of 3 categories of products Stationery items, Books, and Toys and Games of a retail store in category mode.



To create a RangedHistogram for a given data in category mode, you need to add the [RangedHistogram](#) series, set the [ChartType](#) property to **RangedHistogram** and set the [BindingX](#) property, as shown in the following code snippet.

- **Xaml**

```
<Chart:C1FlexChart x:Name="flexChart"
    ChartType="RangedHistogram"
    ItemsSource="{Binding DataContext.Data}"
    Binding="Value"
    BindingX="Name">
    <Chart:RangedHistogram x:Name="RangedHistogramSeries"
        SeriesName="Frequency" />
</Chart:C1FlexChart>
```

Note that unlike traditional Histogram, other chart types cannot be plotted using the same x axis values as RangedHistogram.

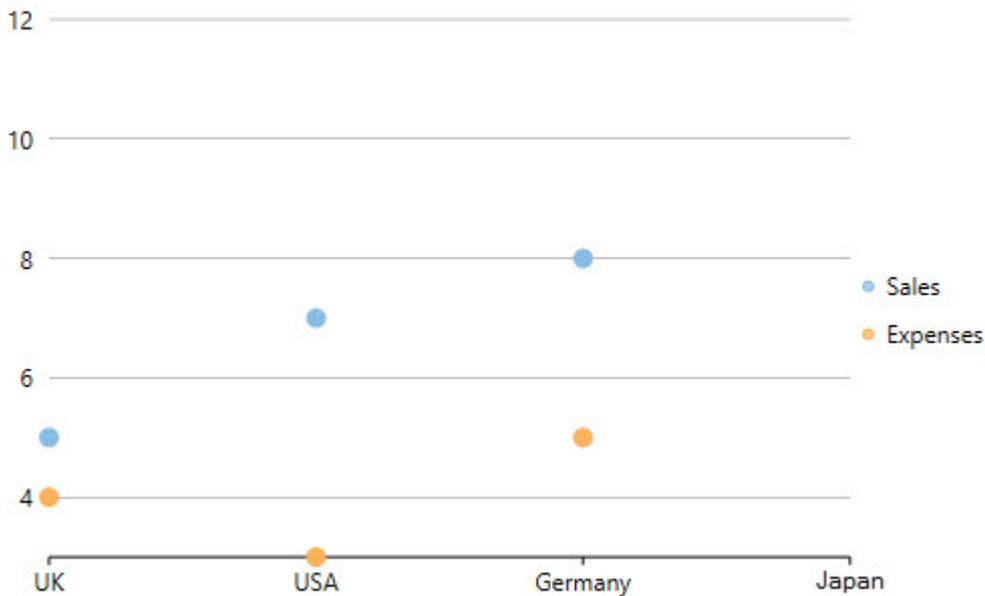
Scatter

The Scatter Chart, which is also known as the XY Chart, depicts relationship among items of different data series. In simple terms, it is a plot of X values and Y values along the two axes. The data points are not connected and can be customized using different symbols. This chart type is normally used to represent scientific data, and can highlight the deviation of assembled data from predicted data or result.

To create the Scatter Chart, you can set the [ChartType](#) property to Scatter at design-time, in the code behind, or in XAML.

Set the [Stacking](#) property to Stacked or Stacked100pc to create the stacking Scatter Chart.

Scatter Chart



Below is the code implementing the scenario:

XAML

```
<c1:C1FlexChart x:Name="flexChart"
    BindingX="Country"
    ItemsSource="{Binding DataContext.Data}"
    ChartType="Scatter">
    <c1:C1FlexChart.Series>
        <c1:Series SeriesName="Sales"
            Binding="Sales"/>
        <c1:Series SeriesName="Expenses"
            Binding="Expenses"/>
    </c1:C1FlexChart.Series>
</c1:C1FlexChart>
```

Code

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```
flexChart.ChartType = C1.Chart.ChartType.Scatter;
```

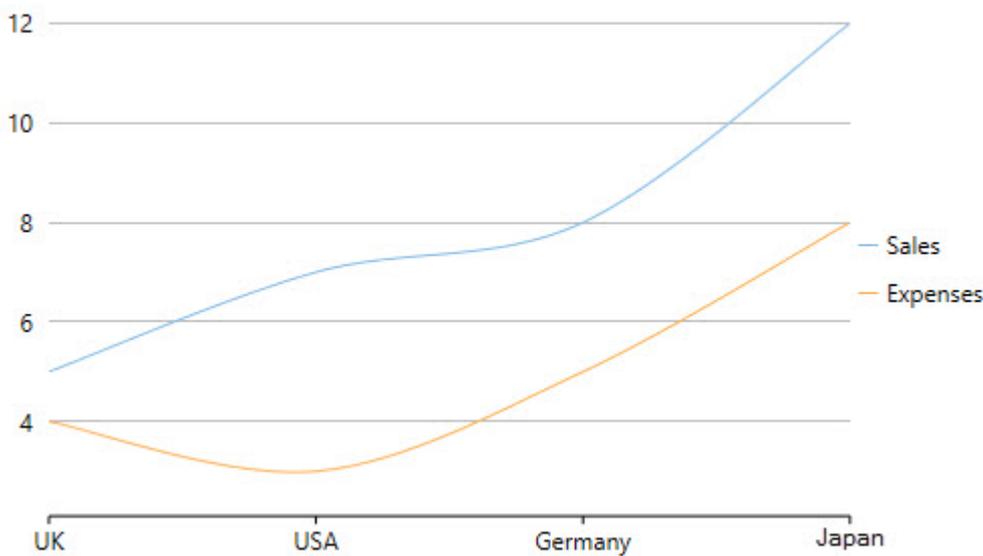
Spline

The Spline Chart is similar to the line chart except that it connects data points by using splines rather than straight lines. The chart is used as an alternative to the line chart, but more specifically for representing data that requires the use of curve fittings.

You need to set the [ChartType](#) property to Spline either from the Properties window, in the code behind, or in XAML to create the Spline Chart.

You can set the [Stacking](#) property to Stacked or Stacked100pc to create the stacking Spline Chart.

Spline Chart



Here is the code demonstrating the implementation:

XAML

```
<c1:C1FlexChart x:Name="flexChart"
    BindingX="Country"
    ItemsSource="{Binding DataContext.Data}"
    ChartType="Spline">
    <c1:C1FlexChart.Series>
        <c1:Series SeriesName="Sales"
            Binding="Sales"/>
        <c1:Series SeriesName="Expenses"
            Binding="Expenses"/>
    </c1:C1FlexChart.Series>
</c1:C1FlexChart>
```

Code

```
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flexChart.ChartType = C1.Chart.ChartType.Spline;
```

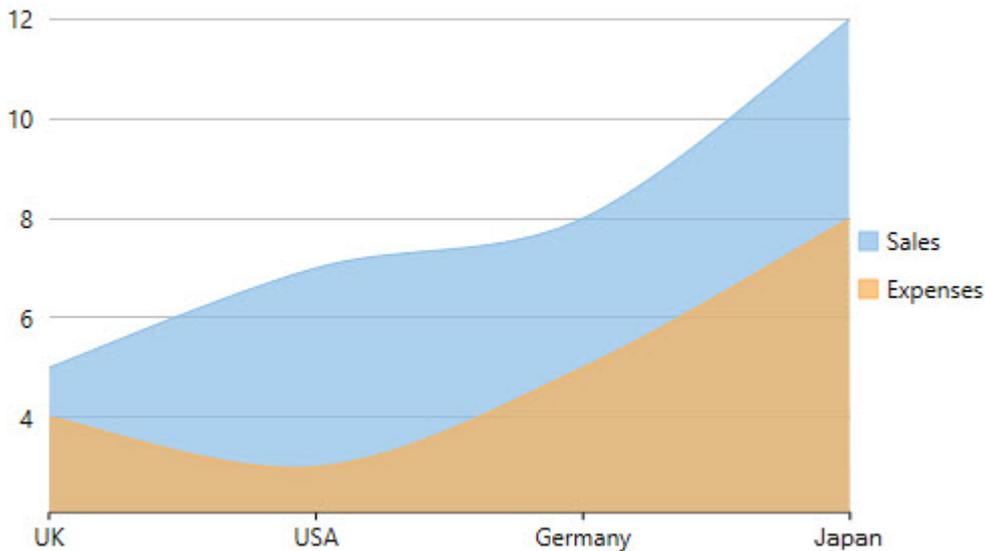
SplineArea

The SplineArea chart is just like the area chart with the only difference in the manner in which data points are connected. The SplineArea chart connects data points by using splines instead of straight lines, and fills the area enclosed by the splines.

Set the [ChartType](#) property to SplineArea in the Properties window, in the code behind, or in XAML to create the SplineArea Chart.

To create the stacking SplineArea Chart, set the [Stacking](#) property to Stacked or Stacked100pc.

SplineArea Chart



Here is the implementation in code:

XAML

```
<c1:C1FlexChart x:Name="flexChart"
    BindingX="Country"
    ItemsSource="{Binding DataContext.Data}"
    ChartType="SplineArea">
    <c1:C1FlexChart.Series>
        <c1:Series SeriesName="Sales"
            Binding="Sales"/>
        <c1:Series SeriesName="Expenses"
            Binding="Expenses"/>
    </c1:C1FlexChart.Series>
</c1:C1FlexChart>
```

Code

C#

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```
flexChart.ChartType = C1.Chart.ChartType.SplineArea;
```

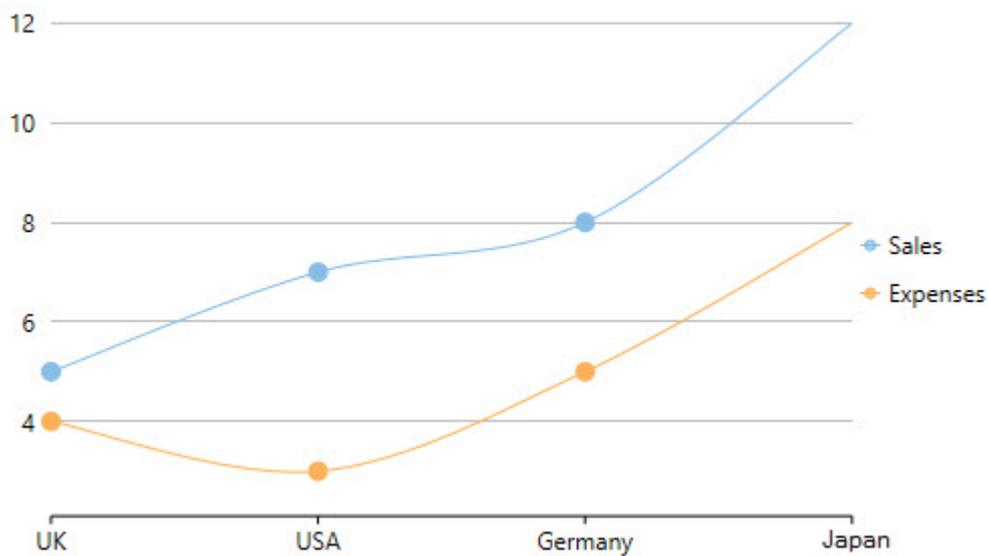
SplineSymbols

The SplineSymbols Chart combines the Spline Chart and the Scatter Chart. The chart plots data points by using symbols and connects those data points by using splines.

To create the SplineSymbols Chart, you can set the [ChartType](#) property to SplineSymbols in the Properties window, in XAML, or programmatically.

Set the [Stacking](#) property to Stacked or Stacked100pc to create the stacking SplineSymbols Chart.

SplineSymbols Chart



See the following code for implementation:

XAML

```
<c1:C1FlexChart x:Name="flexChart"
    BindingX="Country"
    ItemsSource="{Binding DataContext.Data}"
    ChartType="SplineSymbols">
    <c1:C1FlexChart.Series>
        <c1:Series SeriesName="Sales"
            Binding="Sales"/>
        <c1:Series SeriesName="Expenses"
            Binding="Expenses"/>
    </c1:C1FlexChart.Series>
</c1:C1FlexChart>
```

Code

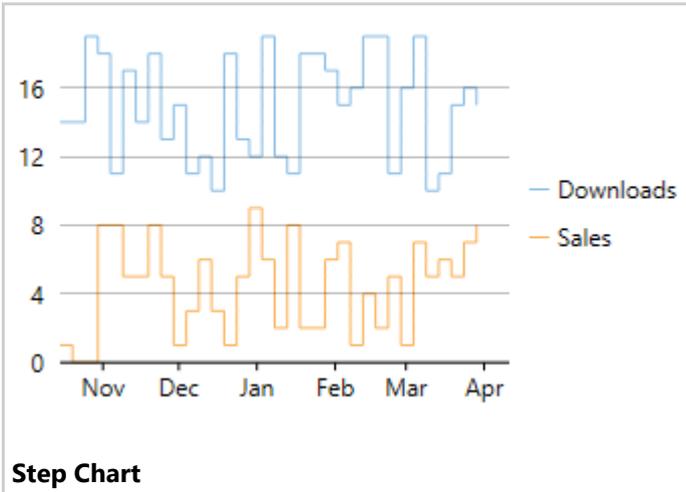
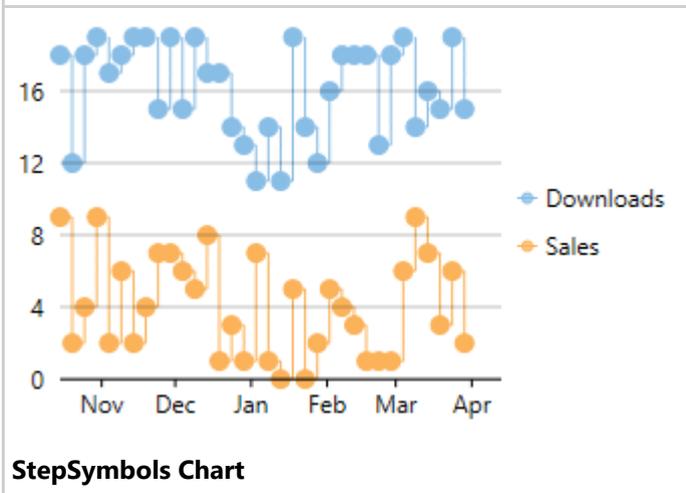
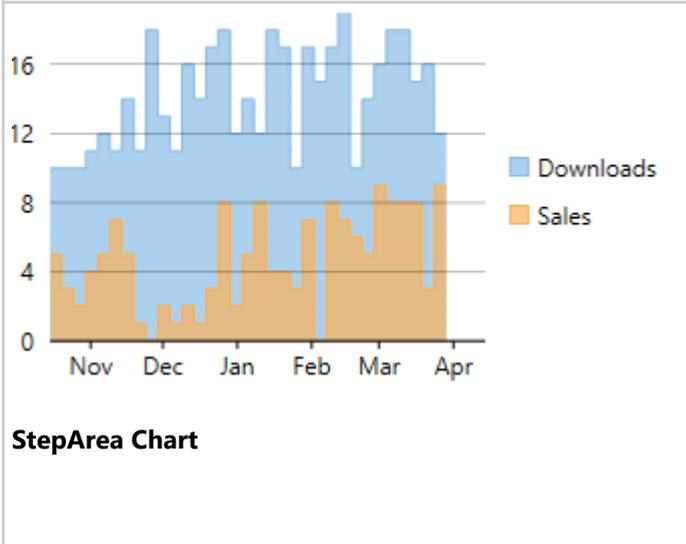
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flexChart.ChartType = C1.Chart.ChartType.SplineSymbols;	

Step

Step charts use horizontal and vertical lines to present data that show sudden changes along y-axis by discrete amount. These charts help display changes that are sudden and irregular but stay constant till the next change. Step charts enable judging trends in data along with the duration for which the trend remained constant.

Consider a use case where you want to visualize and compare weekly sales and units downloaded of a software. As both of these values vary with discrete amounts, you can use step chart to visualize them. As shown in the image below, apart from depicting the change in sales these charts also show the exact time of change and the duration for which sales were constant. Moreover, you can easily identify the magnitude of respective changes by simply looking at the chart.

FlexChart supports Step chart, StepSymbols chart, and StepArea or filled step chart. The following table gives detailed explanation of these chart types.

 <p>Step Chart</p>	<p>Step chart is similar to the Line chart, except that Line chart uses shortest distance to connect consecutive data points, while Step chart connects them with horizontal and vertical lines. These horizontal and vertical lines give the chart step-like appearance.</p> <p>While the line charts depict change and its trend, the Step charts also help in judging the magnitude and the intermittent pattern of the change.</p>
 <p>StepSymbols Chart</p>	<p>StepSymbols chart combines the Step chart and the Scatter chart. FlexChart plots data points by using symbols and connects those data points with horizontal and vertical step lines.</p> <p>Here, the data points are marked using symbols and, therefore, help mark the beginning of an intermittent change.</p>
 <p>StepArea Chart</p>	<p>StepArea chart combines the Step chart and the Area chart. It is similar to Area chart with the difference in the manner in which data points are connected. FlexChart plots the data points using horizontal and vertical step lines, and then fills the area between x-axis and the step lines.</p> <p>These are based on Step charts, and are commonly used to compare discrete and intermittent changes between two or more quantities. This gives the chart stacked appearance, where related data points of the multiple series seem stacked above the other.</p> <p>For example, number of units downloaded and sales of a software for a particular time duration can be easily compared as shown in the image.</p>

To create Step chart, you need to populate appropriate data in chart and set the ChartType property to **Step** in XAML, at design-time, or using code. However, to create a StepArea or a StepSymbol chart, you need to set the **ChartType** property to **StepArea** or **StepSymbols** respectively.

- **XAML**

```
<c1:C1FlexChart x:Name="flexChart"
    BindingX="Date"
    ItemsSource="{Binding DataContext.Data}"
```

```
        ChartType="Step"  
        HorizontalAlignment="Stretch" Margin="5,5,5,195">  
    <c1:C1FlexChart.Series>  
        <c1:Series SeriesName="Downloads" Binding="Downloads"></c1:Series>  
        <c1:Series SeriesName="Sales" Binding="Sales"></c1:Series>  
    </c1:C1FlexChart.Series>  
</c1:C1FlexChart>
```

C#

```
flexChart.ChartType = C1.Chart.ChartType.Step;
```

Working with FlexChart

To work with **FlexChart for WPF** and use it for developing your applications, you should know how to leverage several features and functionality offered by the control.

This section provides important conceptual, task-based information on features and functionality offered by FlexChart.

The below-mentioned links take you to the sections that discuss the different ways in which you can work with FlexChart.

- [Data](#)
- [Appearance](#)
- [End-User Interaction](#)
- [FlexChart Elements](#)
- [Trend Lines](#)
- [Export](#)

Data

Data is the first and foremost requirement of a chart. Without data, a chart cannot possibly visualize or display anything. Thus, while working with a chart, your first job is to get your chart to display data, so that you can work with and interpret the data accordingly.

When it comes to your chart data, there are two primary stages that sum up the specification, representation, and interpretation of the data:

- [Providing data](#)
- [Plotting data](#)

Access these sections to go through these stages with reference to FlexChart at length.

Providing Data

To get your chart to plot data, you first need to provide data to the chart.

The most common and widely used approach for providing data to the chart is data binding.

Click the following link to know how you can bind data to FlexChart:

- [Binding data using a data source](#)

Binding Data Using a Data Source

Binding data means connecting one or more data consumers to a data provider in a synchronized manner. When data bound, the chart uses all of the bound data as its source of data for the specified series, and represents the data on the chart surface as per the series and chart properties.

Since there is a layer between the data source and the actual chart, the data often needs to be summarized before it can be plotted; however, the data to be plotted sometimes may already be available in a data view or another data source object. And therefore, you can bind the chart directly to the data source object in such cases.

To bind the **FlexChart** control to the data source, you first need to set the **ItemsSource** property to the data source object. Next, you need to bind individual series of the chart to the fields present in the data source object by using the **BindingX** and the **Binding** property.

 To specify the binding source, you need to add the **DataContext = "{Binding RelativeSource={RelativeSource Mode=Self}}"** markup in the **<Window>** tag of the **MainWindow.xaml** file.

The below-mentioned code uses a class **DataCreator** to generate the data for the chart.

Here is the code that demonstrates a fully-functional program implementing data binding:

XAML

```
<Window
  xmlns="http://schemas.microsoft.com/winfx/2006/xaml/presentation"
  xmlns:x="http://schemas.microsoft.com/winfx/2006/xaml"
  xmlns:local="clr-namespace:Data_Binding"
  xmlns:d="http://schemas.microsoft.com/expression/blend/2008"
  xmlns:mc="http://schemas.openxmlformats.org/markup-compatibility/2006"
  xmlns:Chart="using:C1.Xaml.Chart"
  xmlns:Xaml="using:C1.Xaml"
  xmlns:c1="http://schemas.componentone.com/winfx/2006/xaml"
  xmlns:local1="clr-namespace:Data_Binding"
  x:Name="window"
  x:Class="Data_Binding.MainWindow"
  DataContext="{Binding RelativeSource={RelativeSource Mode=Self}}"
  mc:Ignorable="d">

  <Grid>

    <c1:C1FlexChart x:Name="flexChart"
      BindingX="Fruit"
      ItemsSource="{Binding DataContext.Data}"
      ChartType="Bar">
      <c1:C1FlexChart.Series>
        <c1:Series SeriesName="Function1"
          Binding="March"/>
        <c1:Series SeriesName="Function2"
          Binding="April"/>
      </c1:C1FlexChart.Series>
    </c1:C1FlexChart>

  </Grid>
```

Code

DataCreator.cs

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```
class DataCreator
{
    public static List<FruitDataItem> CreateFruit()
    {
        var fruits = new string[] { "Oranges", "Apples", "Pears", "Bananas" };
        var count = fruits.Length;
        var result = new List<FruitDataItem>();
        var rnd = new Random();
        for (var i = 0; i < count; i++)
            result.Add(new FruitDataItem()
            {
                Fruit = fruits[i],
                March = rnd.Next(20),
                April = rnd.Next(20),
                May = rnd.Next(20),
            });
        return result;
    }
}

public class FruitDataItem
{
    public string Fruit { get; set; }
    public double March { get; set; }
    public double April { get; set; }
    public double May { get; set; }
}

public class DataPoint
{
    public double XVals { get; set; }
    public double YVals { get; set; }
}
```

MainWindow.xaml.cs

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```
public partial class MainWindow : Window
{
    #region plotdata
    private List<FruitDataItem> _fruits;

    public MainWindow()
    {
        this.InitializeComponent();
    }

    public List<FruitDataItem> Data
    {
        get
```

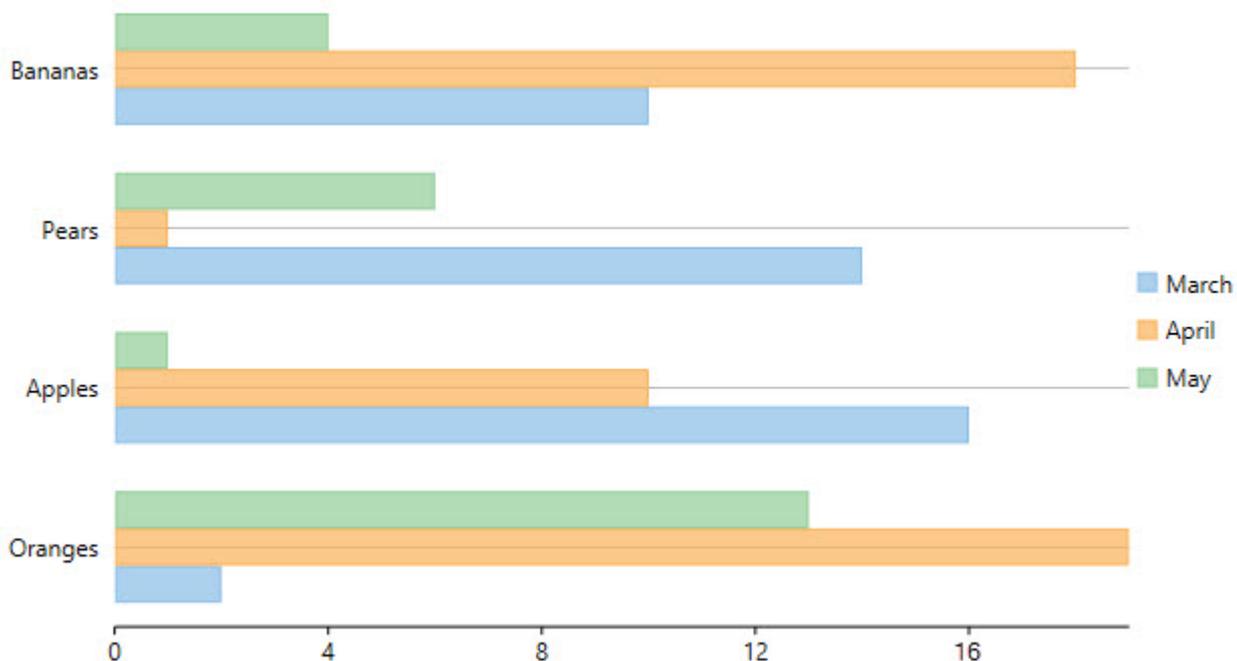
```

    {
        if (_fruits == null)
        {
            _fruits = DataCreator.CreateFruit();
        }

        return _fruits;
    }
}

```

The following output appears once you have run the code:



Plotting Data

FlexChart plots data bound in the form of fields or data arrays when relevant values are set in the [BindingX](#) and the [Binding](#) property.

You require setting the values in the [BindingX](#) and the [Binding](#) property as per the desired chart type. For instance, in case of the Scatter Chart, you need to set a single value (field) in both the [BindingX](#) and the [Binding](#) property. However, in case of the Bubble Chart, you need to set a single value (field) in the [BindingX](#) property and two values (fields, one for specifying Y-values and another for specifying the size of the bubble) in the [Binding](#) property.

See the following code snippets for reference:

1. In case of Scatter Chart

- **XAML**

```

<c1:C1FlexChart x:Name="flexChart"
    BindingX="Country"
    ItemsSource="{Binding DataContext.Data}"
    ChartType="Scatter">
    <c1:C1FlexChart.Series>
        <c1:Series SeriesName="Sales"
            Binding="Sales"/>
    </c1:C1FlexChart.Series>
</c1:C1FlexChart>

```

```

        <c1:Series SeriesName="Expenses"
                Binding="Expenses"/>
    </c1:C1FlexChart.Series>
</c1:C1FlexChart>

```

2. In case of Bubble Chart

- **XAML**

```

<c1:C1FlexChart x:Name="flexChart"
                BindingX="X"
                ItemsSource="{Binding DataContext.Data}"
                ChartType="Bubble">
    <c1:C1FlexChart.Series>
        <c1:Series SeriesName="Bubble"
                Binding="Y,Size"/>
    </c1:C1FlexChart.Series>
</c1:C1FlexChart>

```

Once the data is plotted, you can work on it to visualize data that suits your requirements.

Go through the sections given below to learn how to customize series and plot irregular data.

- [Customizing Series](#)
- [Interpolating Null Values](#)

Customizing Series

Once the series have been displayed in the chart, you can customize the displayed series to manage the same more efficiently.

FlexChart allows you to customize series by showing or hiding a series either in the Plot Area or the Legend or both.

The following sections detail the different customizations:

- [Showing or Hiding a Series](#)

Showing or Hiding a Series

If there are hundreds of series to be displayed in your chart, you would certainly need to manage the same due to the space limitation of the chart.

In **FlexChart**, you can manage series by using the [Visibility](#) property of a series. The **Visibility** property accepts values of the [SeriesVisibility](#) enumerated type.

You can set the property to the following different values to show or hide a series:

Value	Description
SeriesVisibility.Visible	The series is displayed in the Plot as well as the Legend.
SeriesVisibility.Plot	The series is displayed in the Plot, but hidden in the Legend.
SeriesVisibility.Legend	The series is displayed in the Legend, but hidden in the Plot.

SeriesVisibility.Hidden

The series is hidden in the Plot as well as the Legend.

Here's the code snippet showing how to set the Visibility property:

XAML

```
<c1:Series SeriesName="March"
  Binding="March"
  Visibility="Legend"/>
<c1:Series SeriesName="April"
  Binding="April"
  Visibility="Plot"/>
<c1:Series SeriesName="May"
  Binding="May"/>
```

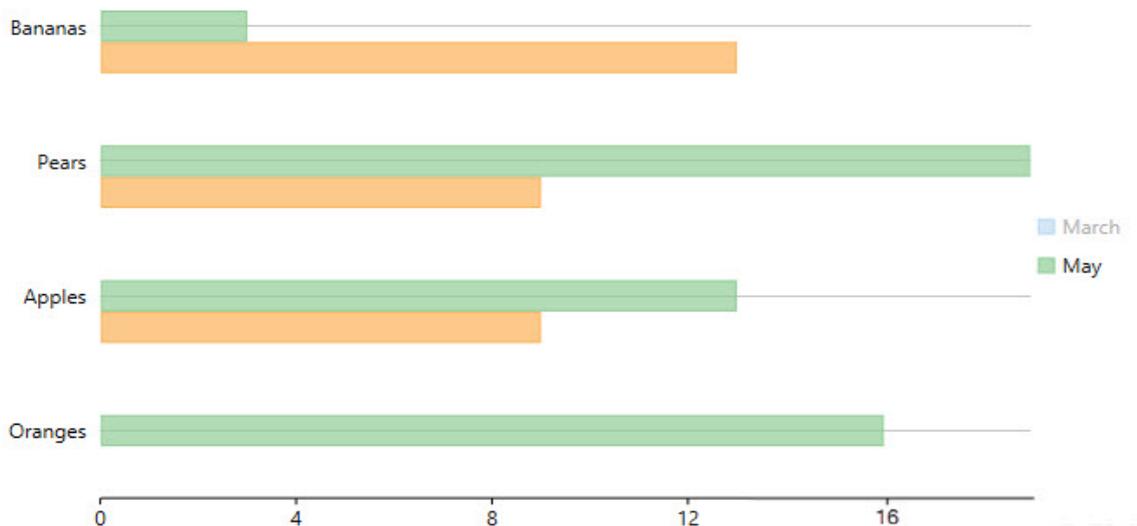
Code

C#

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```
series1.SeriesName = "March";
series2.SeriesName = "April";

series1.Visibility = C1.Chart.SeriesVisibility.Legend;
series2.Visibility = C1.Chart.SeriesVisibility.Plot;
```



Interpolating Null Values

Often, there are null values in the data fields of a data table that you bind to **FlexChart** for plotting data. Due to the presence of null values, FlexChart creates gaps once it has plotted the data. The gaps present in the plotted data make data look inconsistent and incomplete.

FlexChart allows you to deal with such inconsistencies by using the [InterpolateNulls](#) property. You can

set the [InterpolateNulls](#) property, so that the chart automatically fills in gaps created by null values in data.

 The **InterpolateNulls** property is applicable only for the Line Chart and the Area Chart.

Here is how you can set the InterpolateNulls property:

- **C#**

```
flexChart.Options.InterpolateNulls = true;
```

Appearance

The appearance of a chart determines its overall look and feel. A good and clean appearance draws your audiences toward the visual representation of your data. And it also adds to the ease of interpreting the data.

You can customize the appearance of FlexChart in a variety of ways that are mentioned below:

- [Colors](#)
- [Fonts](#)
- [Symbol Styles for Series](#)

Colors

Colors are used to enhance the visual impact of a chart. You can customize colors by choosing colors interactively, setting chart palette, specifying RGB values, specifying hue, saturation, and brightness, or using transparent colors.

FlexChart lets you customize colors for the entire chart as well as the following elements:

- Series
- Header and Footer
- Legend
- Plot Area
- Label

Click the links given below to learn how to use colors in different ways.

- [Choosing Colors Interactively](#)
- [Setting Chart Palette](#)
- [Specifying RGB Colors](#)
- [Specifying Hue, Saturation, and Brightness](#)
- [Using Transparent Colors](#)

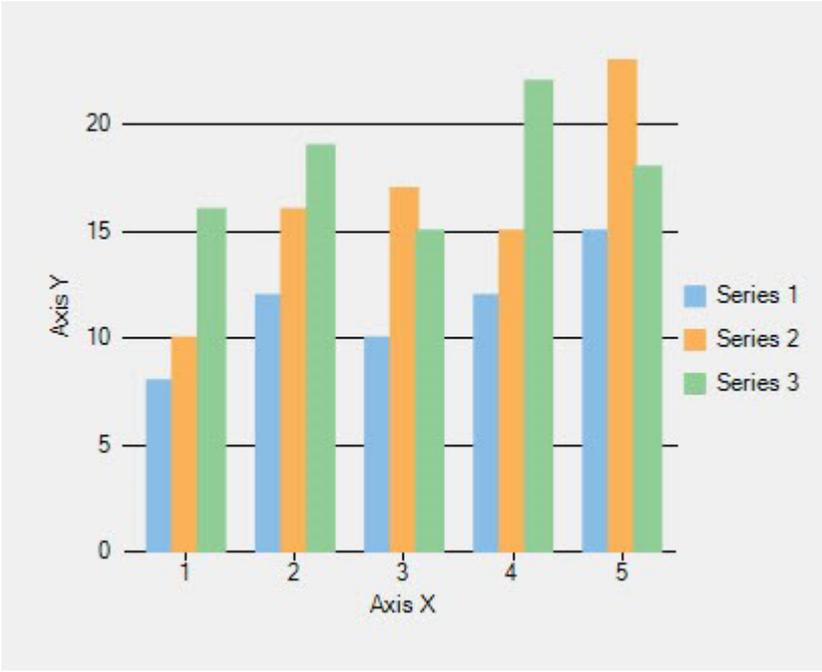
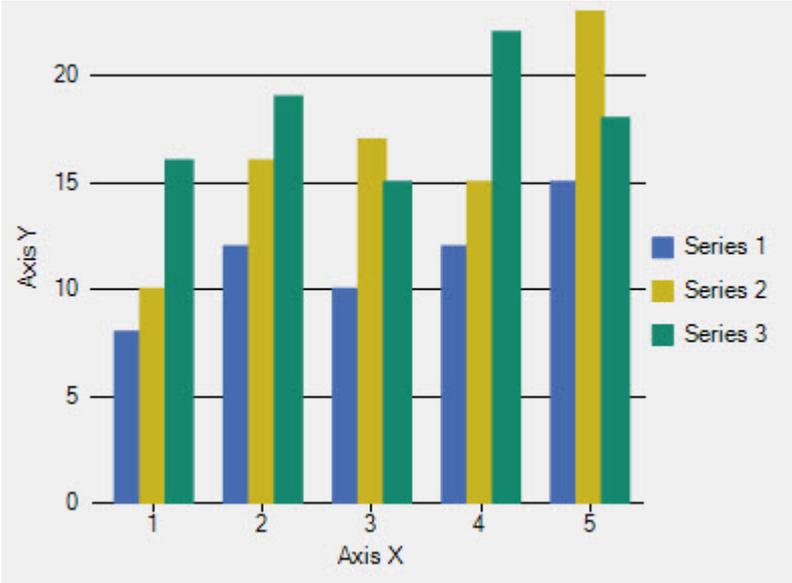
Choosing Colors Interactively

Colors can be chosen interactively by using .NET's color dialog that works like the standard windows color dialog. You can choose from Windows basic colors or customer colors, or you can interactively choose from a full color spectrum.

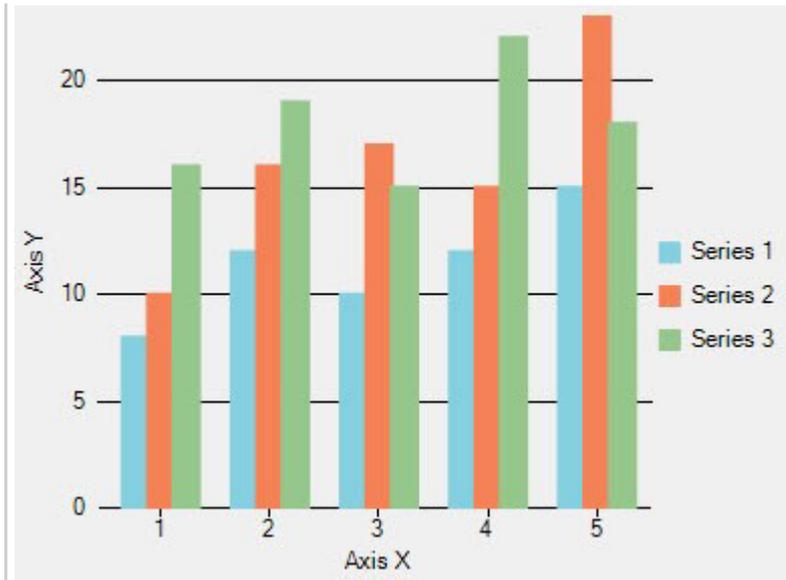
Setting FlexChart Palette

You can set the desired **FlexChart** palette by using the **Palette** property. By default, FlexChart uses the **Palette.Standard** setting that specifies the standard chart palette.

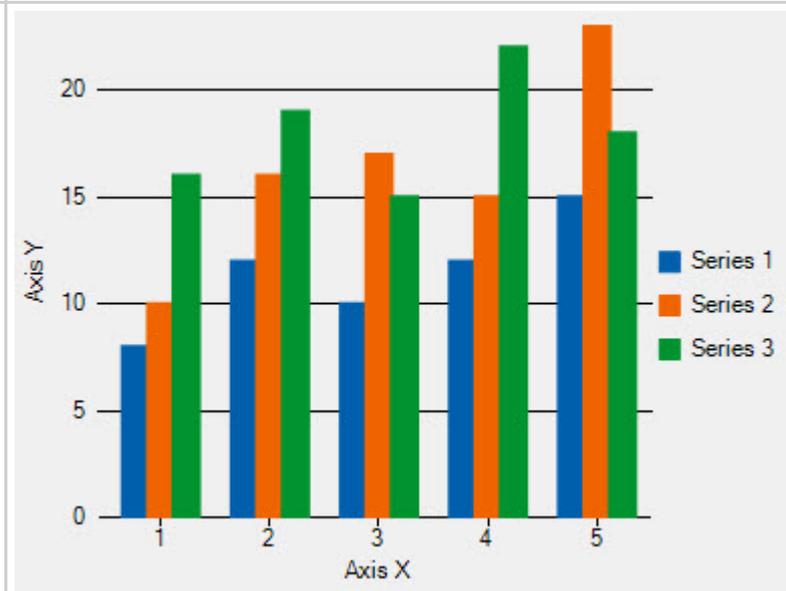
Here are the available palettes in FlexChart:

Palette Setting	Preview																								
Standard (default)	 <p>A grouped bar chart with three series. The Y-axis is labeled 'Axis Y' and ranges from 0 to 20 with increments of 5. The X-axis is labeled 'Axis X' and has categories 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5. Series 1 (blue) has values approximately 8, 12, 10, 12, 15. Series 2 (orange) has values approximately 10, 16, 17, 15, 23. Series 3 (green) has values approximately 16, 19, 15, 22, 18. A legend on the right identifies the series.</p> <table border="1"><thead><tr><th>Axis X</th><th>Series 1</th><th>Series 2</th><th>Series 3</th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td>1</td><td>8</td><td>10</td><td>16</td></tr><tr><td>2</td><td>12</td><td>16</td><td>19</td></tr><tr><td>3</td><td>10</td><td>17</td><td>15</td></tr><tr><td>4</td><td>12</td><td>15</td><td>22</td></tr><tr><td>5</td><td>15</td><td>23</td><td>18</td></tr></tbody></table>	Axis X	Series 1	Series 2	Series 3	1	8	10	16	2	12	16	19	3	10	17	15	4	12	15	22	5	15	23	18
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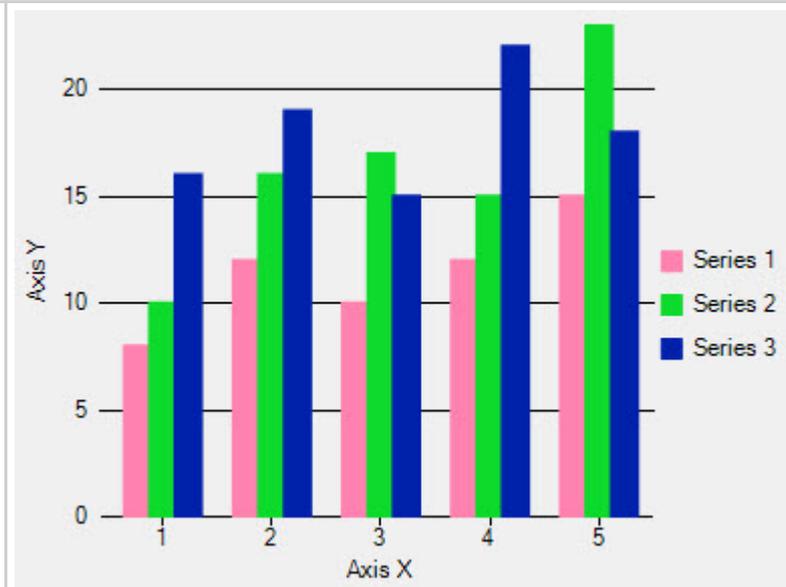
Coral



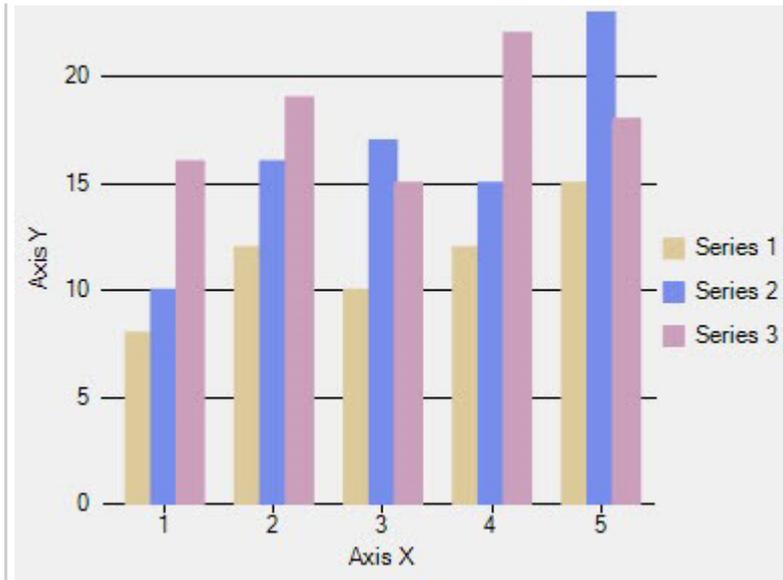
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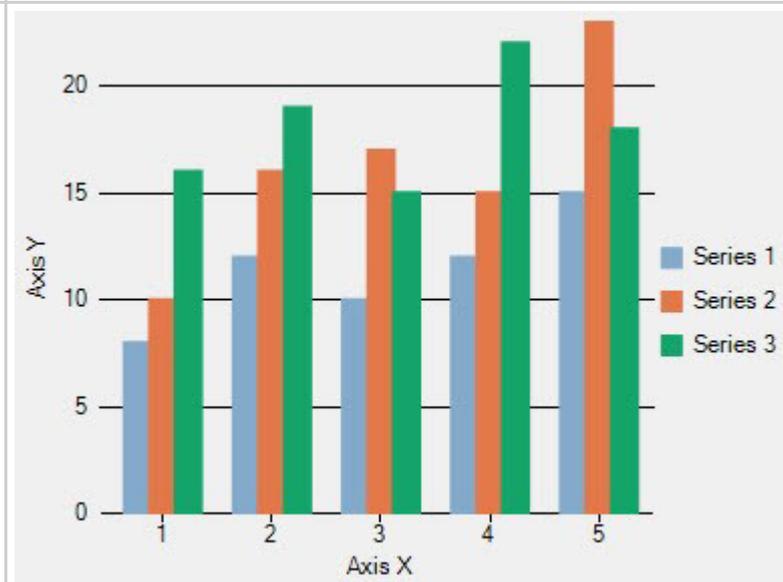
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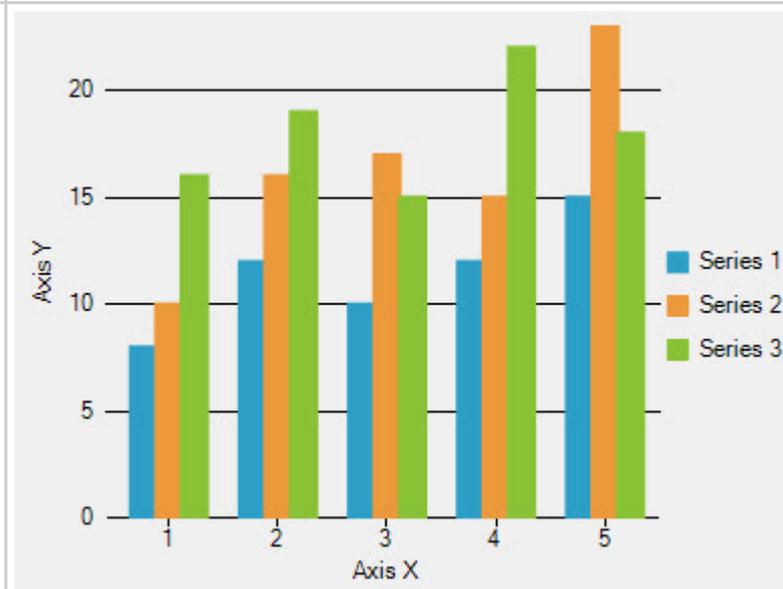
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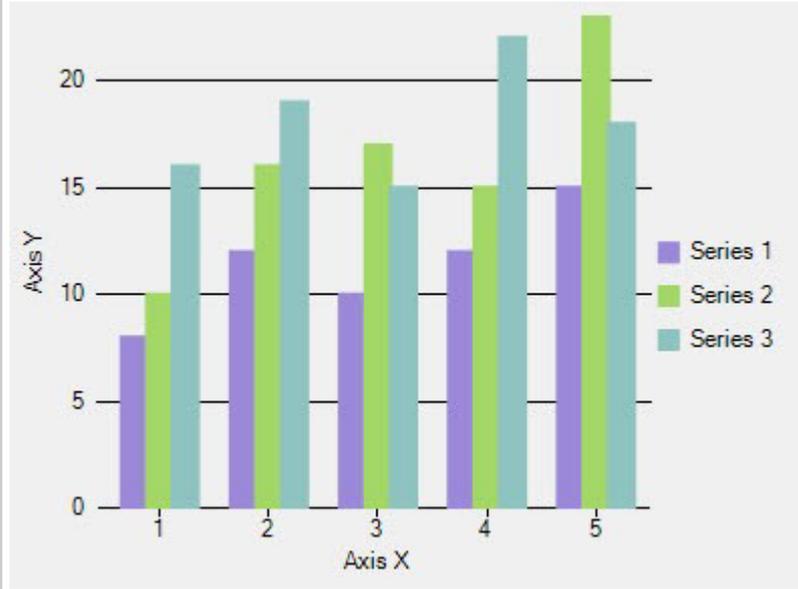
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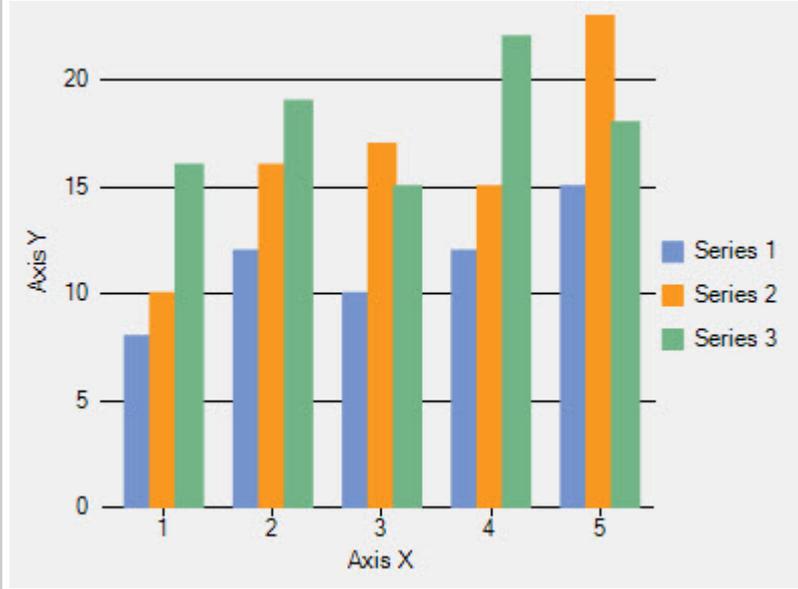
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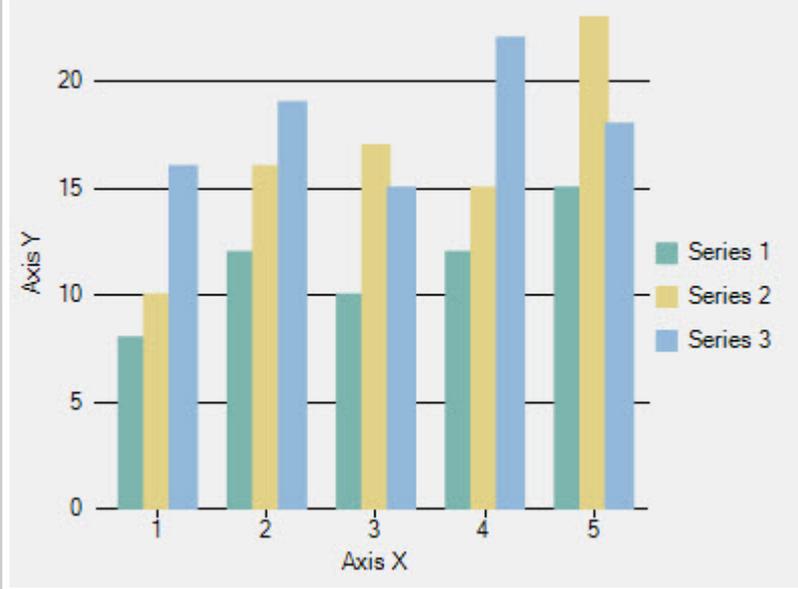
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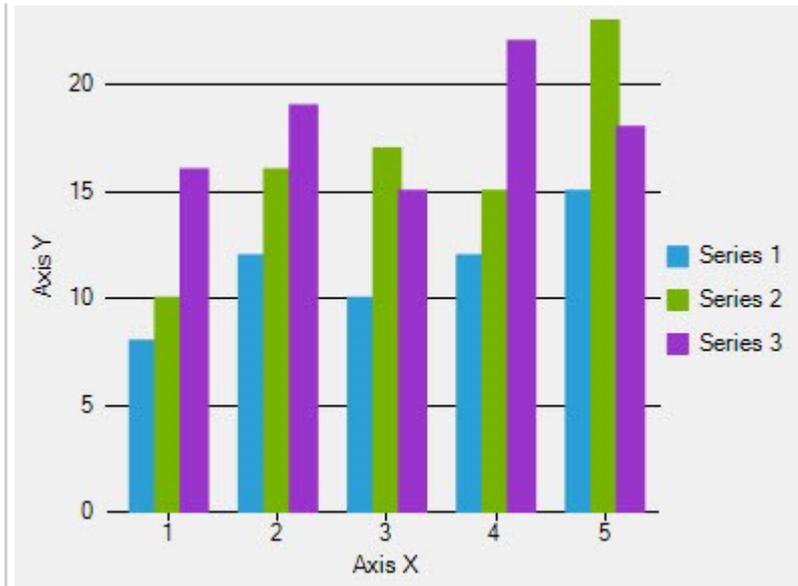
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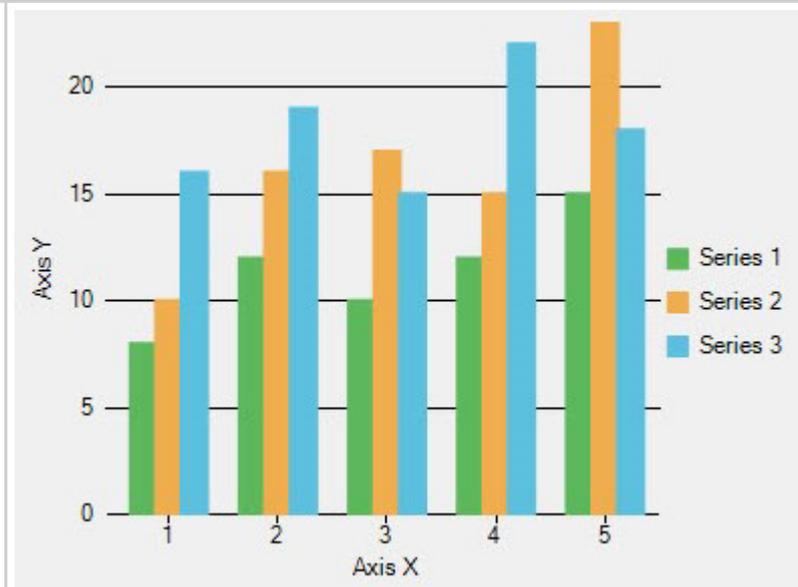
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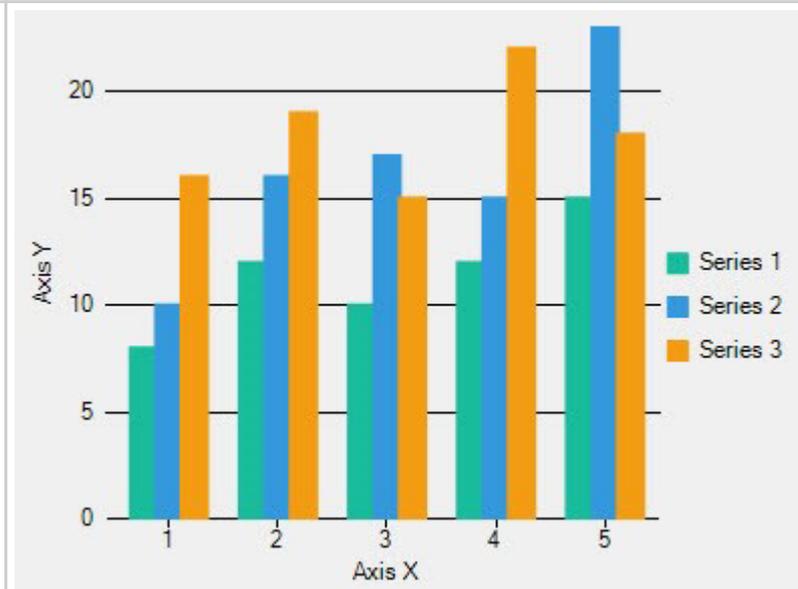
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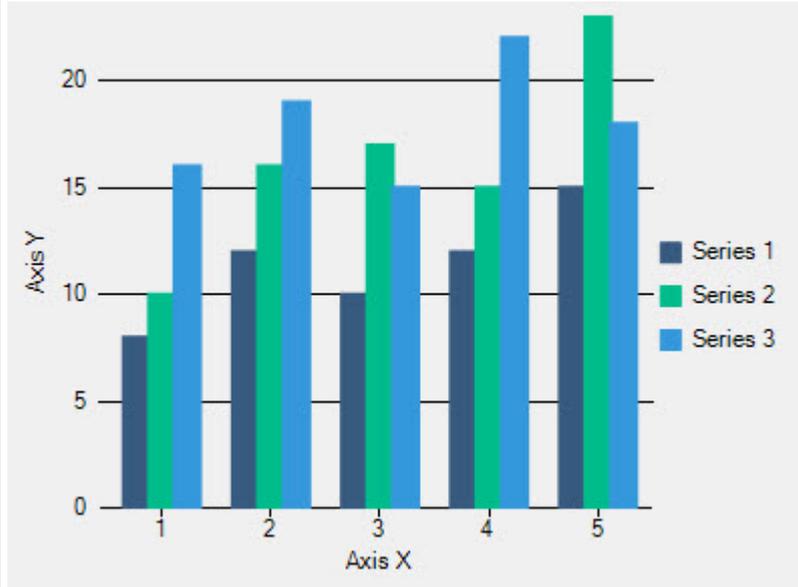
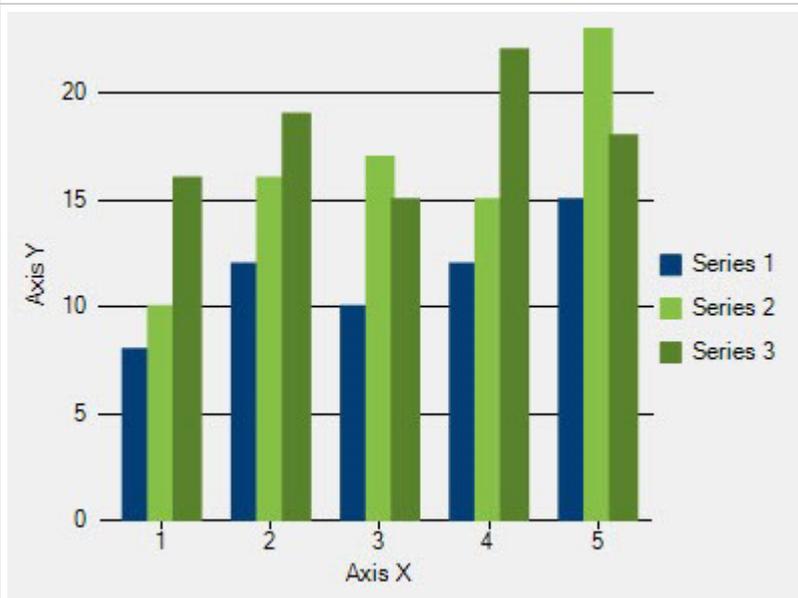


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Specifying RGB Colors

A color can be specified by its RGB components, useful for matching another RGB color. RGB color values combine hexadecimal values for the red, green, and blue components of a color. "00" is the smallest value a component can have; "ff" is the largest value. For example, "#ff00ff" specifies magenta (the maximum value of red and blue combined with no green).

Specifying Hue, Saturation, and Brightness

In addition to a color being specified by its RGB components, it can also be represented by its hue, saturation, and brightness. The hue, saturation, and brightness are all aspects of the red, green, and blue color scheme. The hue is the specific tone of the color wheel made up of red, green, and blue tones. The saturation is the intensity of the hue from

gray tone to a pure vivid tone. And the brightness is the lightness or darkness of a tone.

Using Transparent Colors

The background and foreground of all elements except the chart itself can be "Transparent".

When a background or foreground is transparent, the chart uses the color of the element outside it for the background. For example, the header would have the background of the chart itself when its background is set to Transparent.

In other words, if the background color of the element is transparent then its background is not drawn. If the foreground color of the element is transparent, then the foreground (for example, the text of a title) is not drawn.

The transparent color properties are located under the Style nodes, found at design time on the Control, Header, Footer, Legend, ChartArea, and ChartLabels objects in the Visual Studio Properties window.

Fonts

Fonts, when customized with respect to various chart elements, enhance the impact of the chart. You can adjust the font size of an element to make it more suitable as per the overall size of the chart.

To change or customize fonts in **FlexChart**, you can use the following properties provided by the [ChartStyle](#) object:

Property	Description
FontFamily	Sets the font family.
FontSize	Sets the font size.
FontStretch	Sets the font stretch.
FontStyle	Sets the font style.
FontWeight	Sets the font weight.

Symbol Styles for Series

Depending upon the requirements, you may need to customize the appearance of series in the chart.

FlexChart allows you to customize series in the chart with the [SymbolMarker](#) and the [SymbolSize](#) property.

The **SymbolMarker** property allows you to set the shape of the marker to be used for each data point in the series. The **SymbolSize** property enables you to set the size (in pixels) of the symbols used to render the series.

Below is a table that lists how these properties affect each chart type:

Value	Effect for SymbolMarker	Effect for SymbolSize
ChartType.Column	No effect	No effect
ChartType.Bar	No effect	No effect
ChartType.Line	No effect	No effect
ChartType.Scatter	Changes the symbol marker	Changes the symbol size

ChartType.LineSymbols	Changes the symbol marker	Changes the symbol size
ChartType.Area	No effect	No effect
ChartType.Spline	No effect	No effect
ChartType.SplineSymbols	Changes the symbol marker	Changes the symbol size
ChartType.SplineArea	No effect	No effect
ChartType.Bubble	Changes the symbol marker	No effect
ChartType.Candlestick	No effect	Changes the symbol size
ChartType.HighLowOpenClose	No effect	Changes the symbol size

 The SymbolSize property has no effect on the Bubble Chart; however, you can change the size of the bubble in the Bubble Chart by setting the BubbleMaxSize and the BubbleMinSize property located in the Options node of the Properties window.

End-User Interaction

When it comes to the functionality and features of the chart, you may have specific requirements that can be accommodated only through a few specific tools.

Therefore, to accommodate such requirements, **FlexChart** renders a set of conversion methods and interactive built-in tools. These tools help you customize and develop your applications further.

Go to the following sections for information on end-user interaction:

- [ToolTips](#)
- [Axis Scrollbar](#)
- [Range Selector](#)
- [Line Marker](#)
- [Hit test](#)

ToolTips

Tooltips are pop-ups that appear while hovering over data points or series in a chart. They provide additional, valuable information about chart data in scenarios, as follows:

- **Single series chart:** Tooltips display data values and series name.
- **Mixed charts:** Tooltips display multiple data values for multiple series for a single category.
- **Pie charts:** Tooltips display name and percentage share or value of slices.

A tooltip displays Y value of a data point in FlexChart by default. However, FlexChart allows creating and formatting custom content in tooltips using pre-defined parameters and formats. In addition, the control allows creating a shared tooltip in the case of mixed charts.

To know more about tooltips in FlexChart, see the following topics:

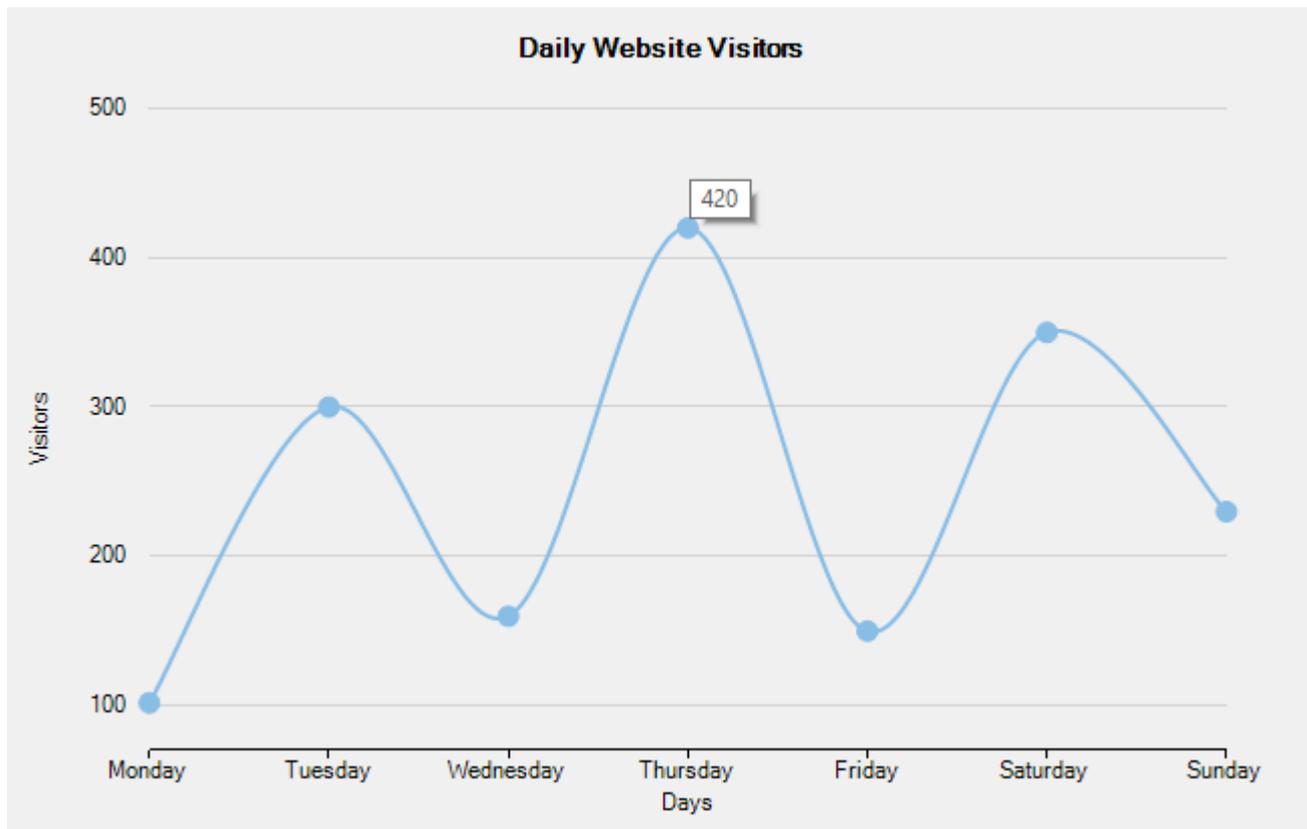
- [Default Tooltip](#)
- [Customizing Tooltip Content](#)

- [Formatting Tooltip Content](#)
- [Shared Tooltip](#)

Default Tooltip

FlexChart displays a default tooltip when you hover over a data point or series. The default tooltip shows the Y value of the hovered data point. FlexChart generates the default tooltip using the underlying data when custom content is not present.

The following image displays the default tooltip showing the data value of a data point.



Customizing Tooltip Content

FlexChart simplifies customizing tooltip content by allowing you to set pre-defined parameters in the [ToolTipContent](#) property of the tooltip.

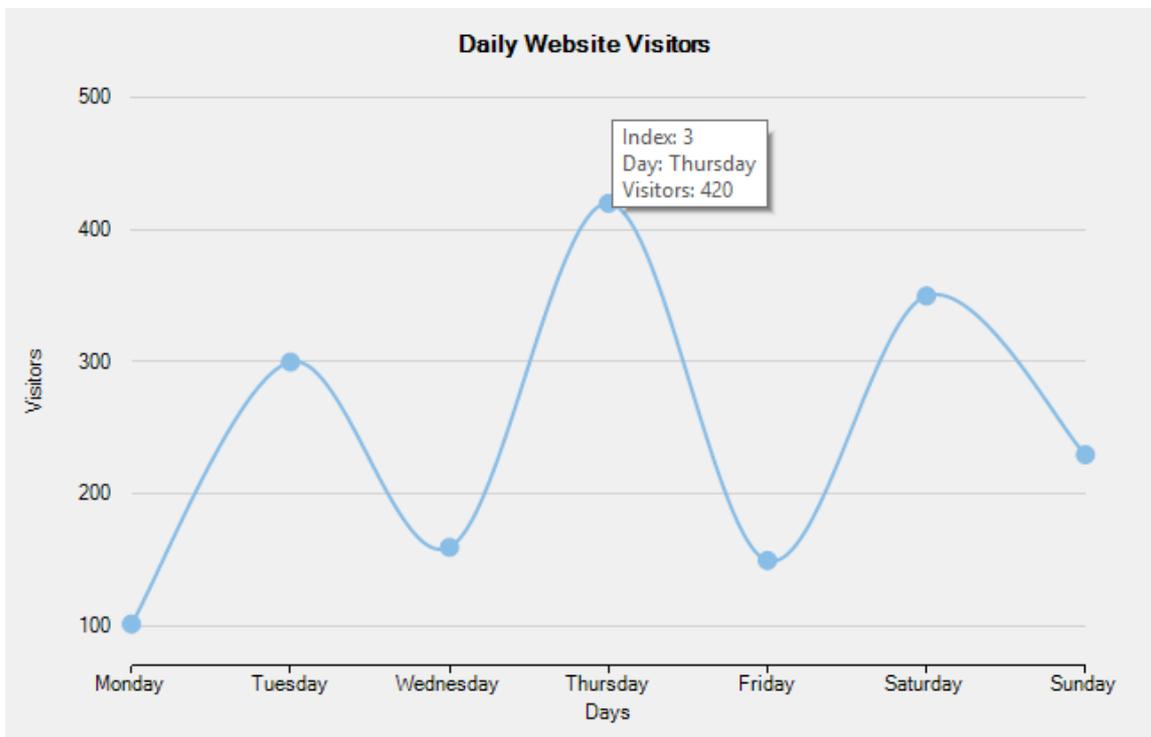
To customize content in a tooltip, set the pre-defined parameters in the template string of the [ToolTipContent](#) property of the [FlexChartBase](#) class.

The table below lists the pre-defined parameters applicable for tooltip content customization.

Parameter	Description
x	Shows the X value of the data point.
y	Shows the Y value of the data point.
value	Shows the Y value of the data point.
name	Shows the X value of the data point.
seriesName	Shows the name of the series.

pointIndex	Shows the index of the data point.
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The following image displays customized tooltip content showing the index and the data point values.



The following code compares and displays data of number of daily website visitors in a specific week. The code shows how to configure the `ToolTipContent` property to customize tooltip content.

XAML

```
<cl:C1FlexChart Name="flexChart"
    ToolTipContent="Index: {pointIndex}&#13;Day: {name}&#13;{seriesName}: {Visitors}">
</cl:C1FlexChart>
```

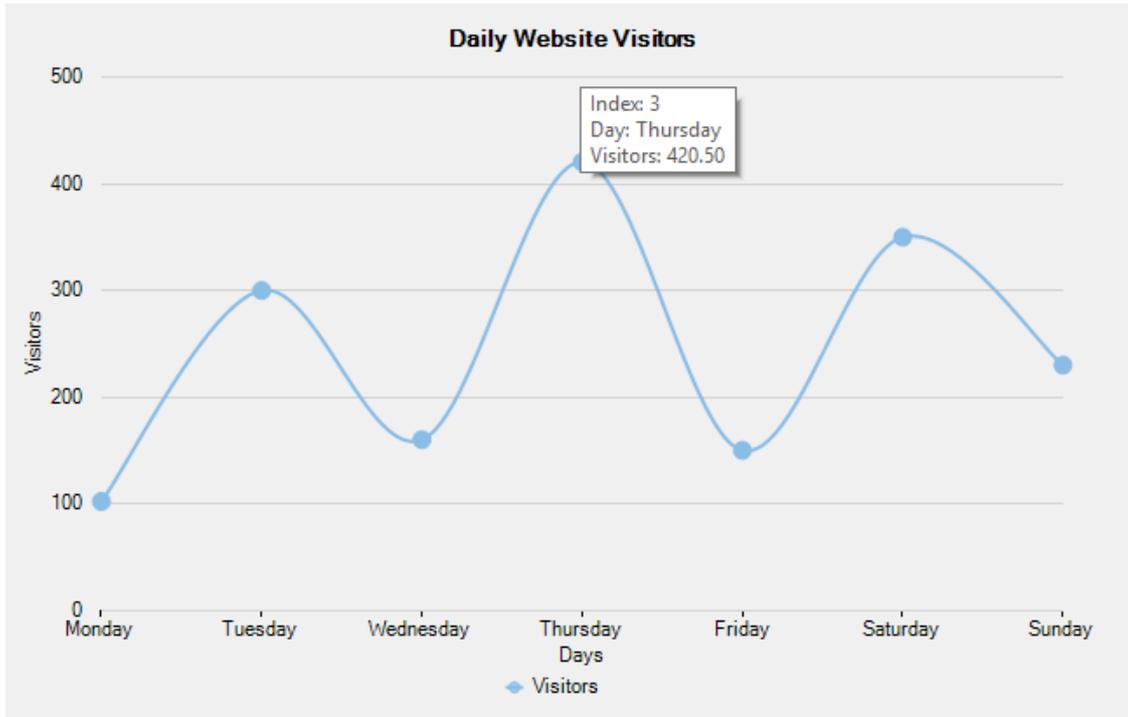
Formatting Tooltip Content

In FlexChart, it is possible to display number separators, current symbols, or date/time formats to add more details into tooltips.

FlexChart enables you to format the custom content in the tooltip by using standard and custom format strings. These format strings are a variety of Numeric and DateTime formats provided by .NET.

For information about these format strings, refer to [Numeric](#) and [DateTime](#) format strings.

The following image displays customized tooltip content showing the index and formatted values of the data point.



The following code compares and displays data of number of daily website visitors in a specific week. The code shows how to configure the `ToolTipContent` property to format tooltip content.

XAML

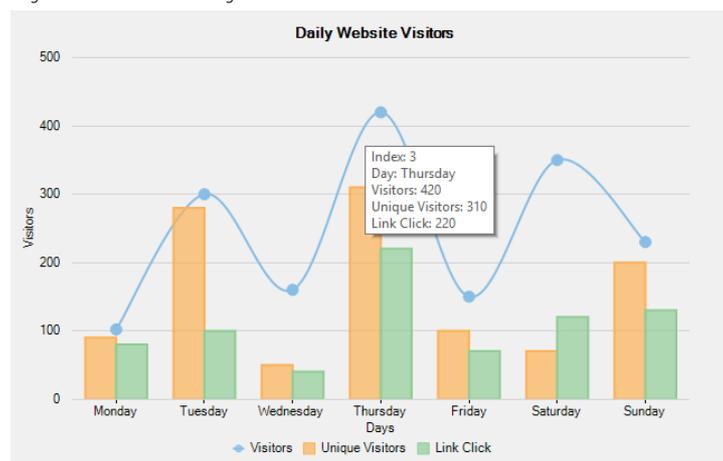
```
<c1:C1FlexChart Name="flexChart"
    ToolTipContent="Index: {pointIndex}&#13;Day: {name}&#13;{seriesName}: {Visitors:F}">
</c1:C1FlexChart>
```

Shared Tooltip

A shared tooltip is a single tooltip that highlights all data values for a single X value in the chart.

In a chart containing mixed chart types, you often require displaying multiple Y values for a common X value through a single tooltip. In such cases, FlexChart tooltips can be used as shared tooltips by setting the `ToolTipContent` property accordingly.

The following image displays a shared tooltip showing Y values for all series at a single X value.



The code compares and displays data of number of daily website visitors, unique visitors, and link clicks in a specific week. The code shows how to set the `ToolTipContent` property to create a shared tooltip.

XAML

```
<c1:C1FlexChart Name="flexChart"
    ToolTipContent="Index: {pointIndex}&#13;Day: {name}&#13;Visitors: {Visitors}&#13;Unique Visitors: {UniqueVisitors}&#13;Link Click: {LinkClick}">
</c1:C1FlexChart>
```

Axis Scrollbar

The presence of a large number of values or data in charts makes data interpretation difficult, especially in compact user interfaces. Axis Scrollbars solve this problem by letting you easily interpret closely related data within a specific range.

FlexChart allows you to add Axis Scrollbar to primary axes (X and Y axes) as well as secondary axes. To add Axis Scrollbar to an axis, you need to create an instance of the [C1.WPF.Chart.Interaction.C1AxisScrollbar](#) class.

The [C1AxisScrollbar](#) class provides the [ScrollButtonsVisible](#) property that accepts Boolean values to set the visibility of the scrollbar buttons. To set the current lower and the current upper magnitude of the scrollbar, you can use the [LowerValue](#) and the [UpperValue](#) property provided by [C1RangeSlider](#) class respectively. The lower and upper values change when the scrollbar is resized or moved. When any of the [LowerValue](#) or the [UpperValue](#) property changes, the [ValueChanged](#) event provided by the [C1RangeSlider](#) class fires.

See the following code snippet for reference:

XAML

```
<c1:Axis.Scrollbar>
  <c1:C1AxisScrollbar x:Name="axisYScrollbar" ScrollButtonsVisible="False" Width="30"/>
</c1:Axis.Scrollbar>
```

Code

C#

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```
public class AxisScrollbarModel
{
    Random rnd = new Random();

    public List<DataItem> Data
    {
        get
        {
            var pointsCount = rnd.Next(1, 30);
            var pointsList = new List<DataItem>();
            for (DateTime date = new DateTime(DateTime.Now.Year - 3, 1, 1); date.Year <
DateTime.Now.Year; date = date.AddDays(1))
            {
                pointsList.Add(new DataItem()
                {
                    Date = date,
                    Series1 = rnd.Next(100)
                });
            }

            return pointsList;
        }
    }
}
```

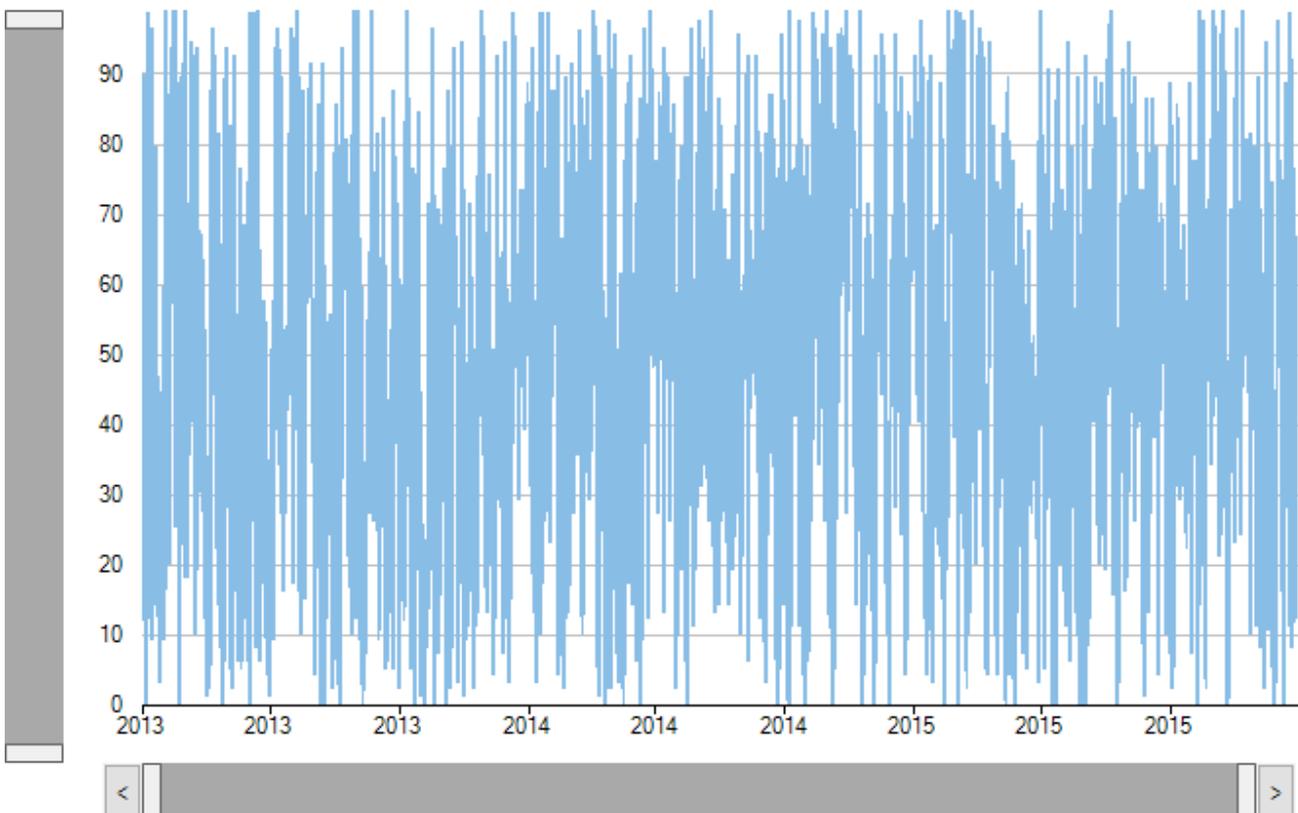
VB

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```
Public Class AxisScrollbarModel
    Private rnd As New Random()
```

```
Public ReadOnly Property Data() As List(Of DataItem)
    Get
        Dim pointsCount = rnd.[Next](1, 30)
        Dim pointsList = New List(Of DataItem)()
        Dim [date] As New DateTime(DateTime.Now.Year - 3, 1, 1)
        While [date].Year < DateTime.Now.Year
            pointsList.Add(New DataItem() With {
                .[Date] = [date],
                .Series1 = rnd.[Next](100)
            })
            [date] = [date].AddDays(1)
        End While

        Return pointsList
    End Get
End Property
End Class
```



Range Selector

While scrollbars are a traditional way of scrolling the chart, Range Selector is a more modern approach, which lets the user visualize where the selected range sits in the complete data range.

FlexChart's Range Selector lets you select a range of numeric data with lower value thumb and upper value thumb. These thumbs define the start and end values of the range. On dragging the thumb towards left (or down) on the range bar, you reduce its value, and dragging it towards the right (or up) increases the value on the range bar.

In FlexChart, you can work with Range Selector by creating an instance of the [C1.WPF.Chart.Interaction.C1RangeSelector](#) class and adding it to the Layers collection of the chart by using the [Layers](#) property of [C1FlexChart](#). The [C1RangeSelector](#) class inherits the [C1.WPF.C1RangeSlider](#) class. You can use the [LowerValue](#) and the [UpperValue](#) property provided by [C1RangeSlider](#) to set the lower and the upper value of the range selector respectively. The [ValueChanged](#) event fires when any of the [LowerValue](#) or the [UpperValue](#) property is changed.

To set the horizontal or the vertical orientation of the range selector, you can use the [Orientation](#) property. When the property is changed, the [OrientationChanged](#) event fires.

Here is the code snippet showing the implementation:

XAML

```
<c1:C1FlexChart.Layers>
    <c1:C1RangeSelector x:Name="rangeSelector" Grid.Row="4" Margin="110 10 0 10"/>
</c1:C1FlexChart.Layers>
```

Code

C#

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```
void OnChartRendered(object sender, RenderEventArgs e)
{
    var flexChart = sender as C1FlexChart;
    if (flexChart == null)
        return;

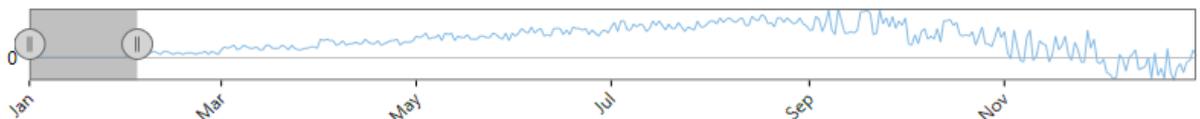
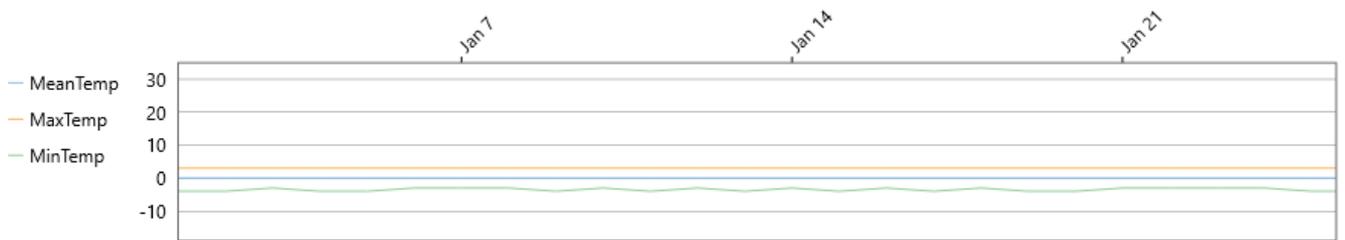
    var rect = flexChart.PlotRect;
    e.Engine.SetFill(Colors.Transparent);
    e.Engine.SetStroke(new SolidColorBrush(Colors.DimGray));
    e.Engine.SetStrokeThickness(1d);
    e.Engine.DrawRect(rect.X, rect.Y, rect.Width, rect.Height);
}
```

VB

copyCode

```
Private Sub OnChartRendered(sender As Object, e As RenderEventArgs)
    Dim flexChart = TryCast(sender, C1FlexChart)
    If flexChart Is Nothing Then
        Return
    End If

    Dim rect = flexChart.PlotRect
    e.Engine.SetFill(Colors.Transparent)
    e.Engine.SetStroke(New SolidColorBrush(Colors.DimGray))
    e.Engine.SetStrokeThickness(1.0)
    e.Engine.DrawRect(rect.X, rect.Y, rect.Width, rect.Height)
End Sub
```



Line Marker

LineMarker displays the precise data values for a given position on the chart by dragging horizontal and/or vertical lines over the plot with an attached label. It is useful in scenarios, where a user has a lot of data in a line or area chart, or if a user wants to display data from multiple series in a single label. With built-in interactions, such as Drag and Move, a user can drag the line marker and more precisely select the data point on the chart.

To create a line marker and use it in FlexChart, you need to create an instance of the [C1.WPF.Chart.Interaction.C1LineMarker](#) class and add it to the Layers collection of the chart by using the [Layers](#) property of [C1FlexChart](#).

You need to use the [Lines](#) property provided by [C1LineMarker](#) to set the visibility of the LineMarker lines. The Lines property accepts the following values from the [LineMarkerLines](#) enumeration:

- **Both:** Shows both vertical and horizontal lines
- **Horizontal:** Shows a horizontal line
- **Vertical:** Shows a vertical line
- **None:** Shows no line

The [C1LineMarker](#) class also provides the [Alignment](#) property to set the alignment of the line marker. In addition, you can set the interaction mode of the line marker by setting the [Interaction](#) property to any of the following values in the [LineMarkerInteraction](#) enumeration:

- **Drag:** The line marker moves when the user drags the line
- **Move** (Default): The line marker moves with the pointer

- **None:** The user specifies the position by clicking.

If you set the Interaction property to Drag, you need to set the [DragContent](#) and the [DragLines](#) property to specify whether the content and values linked with the line marker lines are draggable or not.

Below is the code snippet with the implementation.

XAML

```
<Chart:C1FlexChart.Layers>
  <Chart:C1LineMarker x:Name="lineMarker" Lines="Vertical"
    Grid.Row="2" PositionChanged="OnLineMarkerPositionChanged"
    VerticalAlignment="Top"/>
</Chart:C1FlexChart.Layers>
```

Code

C#

copyCode

```
private void OnLineMarkerPositionChanged(object sender, PositionChangedEventArgs e)
{
    if (flexChart != null)
    {
        var info = flexChart.HitTest(e.Position);
        int pointIndex = info.PointIndex;
        var tb = new TextBlock();
        tb.Inlines.Add(new Run()
        {
            Text = info.X.ToString()
        });
        for (int index = 0; index < flexChart.Series.Count; index++)
        {
            var series = flexChart.Series[index];
            var value = series.GetValues(0)[pointIndex];
            var fill = (int)((IChart)flexChart).GetColor(index);
            string content = string.Format("{0}{1} = {2}", "\n",
            series.SeriesName, value.ToString());
            tb.Inlines.Add(new Run()
            {
                Text = content,
                Foreground = new SolidColorBrush() { Color = FromArgb(fill) }
            });
        }
        lineMarker.Content = tb;
    }
}
```

VB

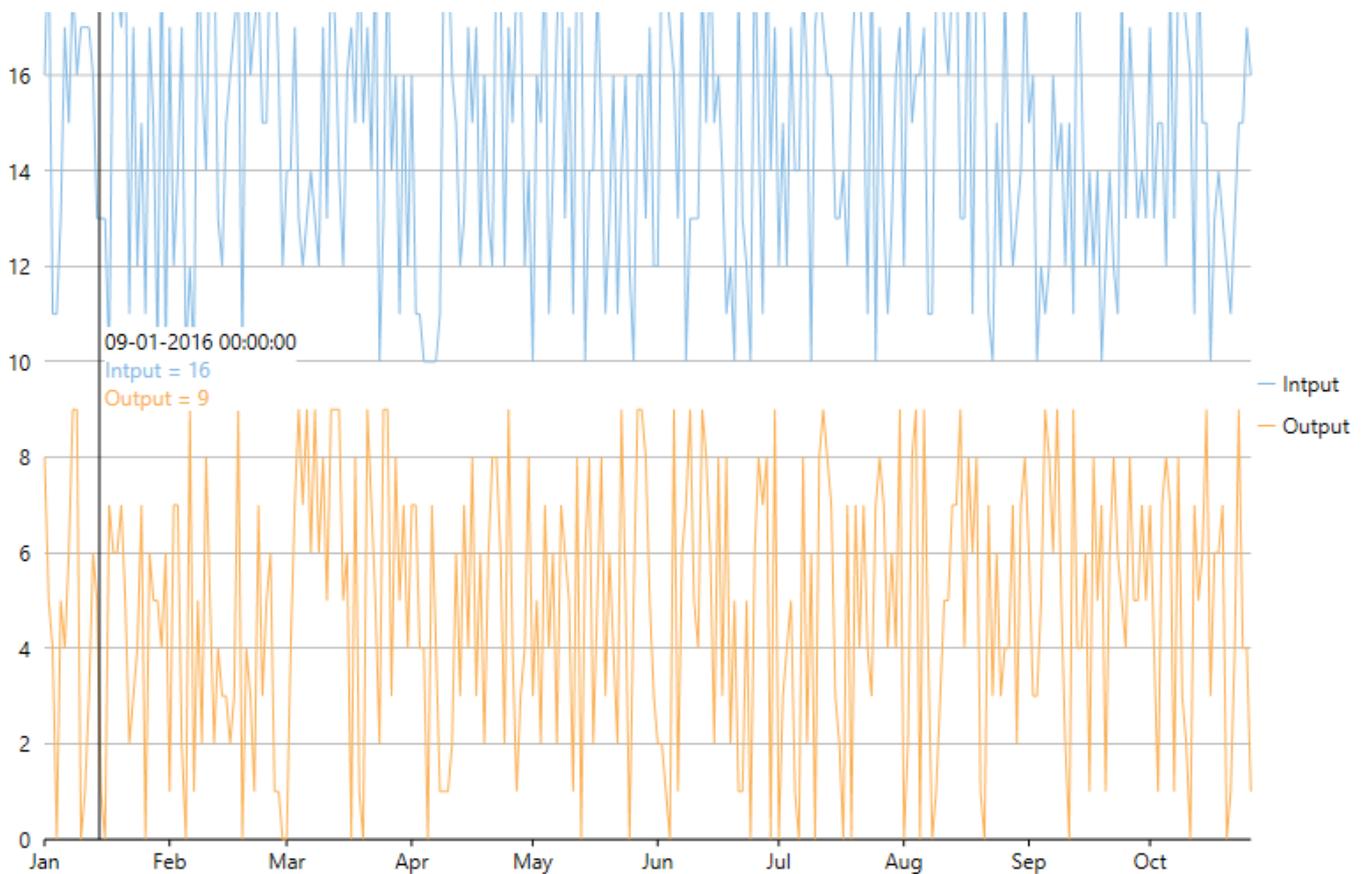
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```
Private Sub OnLineMarkerPositionChanged(sender As Object, e As
PositionChangedEventArgs)
    If flexChart IsNot Nothing Then
        Dim info = flexChart.HitTest(e.Position)
```

```

Dim pointIndex As Integer = info.PointIndex
Dim tb = New TextBlock()
tb.Inlines.Add(New Run() With {
    .Text = info.X.ToString()
})
For index As Integer = 0 To flexChart.Series.Count - 1
    Dim series = flexChart.Series(index)
    Dim value = series.GetValues(0)(pointIndex)
    Dim fill = CInt(DirectCast(flexChart, IChart).GetColor(index))
    Dim content As String = String.Format("{0}{1} = {2}",
vbLf, series.SeriesName, value.ToString())
    tb.Inlines.Add(New Run() With {
        .Text = content,
        .Foreground = New SolidColorBrush() With {
            .Color = FromArgb(fill)
        }
    })
Next
lineMarker.Content = tb
End If
End Sub

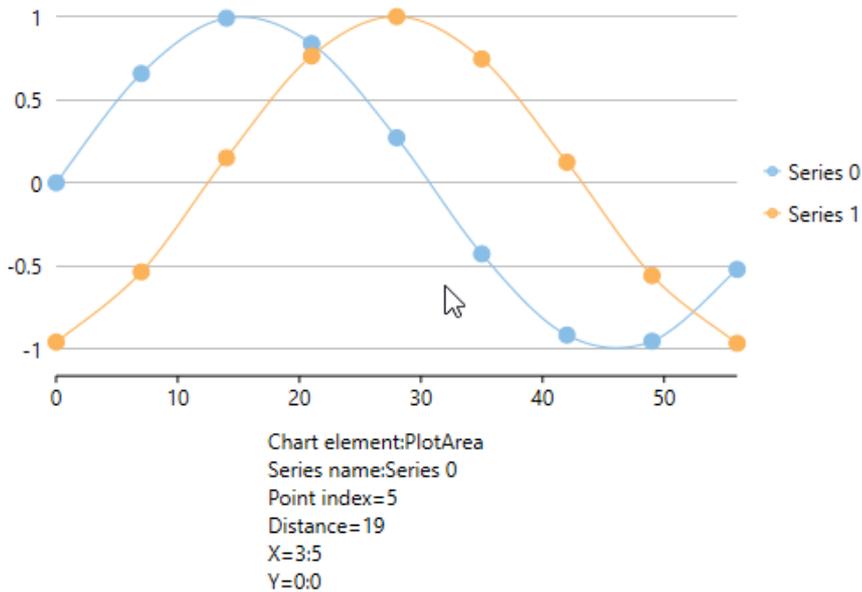
```



Hit Test

FlexChart supports hit testing, which enables you to fetch information about a specific point in the control at run-time. The information

obtained about the pointed coordinate can then be reused to drill down the chart data, to set alerts, or to enable other user interaction functionalities.



FlexChart supports hit testing by utilizing [HitTest\(\)](#) method. This method takes the location (coordinates) of the pointed entity; and returns an object of [HitTestInfo](#) class, which provides the following information about the pointer location:

- Chart element comprising the pointer
- Distance of the pointer location from the closest data point in chart, if the pointer is within plot area. Distance is returned as `Double.NaN`, if the pointer is outside the plot area.
- Data object corresponding to the closest data point
- Index of the nearest data point
- Series name that the nearest data point belongs to
- X value of the nearest data point
- Y value of the nearest data point

Note that, the mouse coordinates that are passed to **HitTest()** method are in pixels and are relative to the upper left corner of the window.

In this example, **HitTest()** method is called on `MouseMove` event of the FlexChart control. Here, the `point` coordinates of pointer location are passed as parameter to `HitTest()` method.

To enable hit testing in FlexChart, follow these steps:

1. **Add a data bound FlexChart control**
2. **Subscribe to a Mouse event**
3. **Invoke chart's HitTest method in mouse event handler**
4. **Use the information returned by HitTestInfo object**

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1. **Add a data bound FlexChart control**

Add an instance of FlexChart control to your WPF application, and bind it to an appropriate data source, as shown in the below code snippet.

```
Xaml
<c1:C1FlexChart x:Name="flexChart"
                Binding="YVals"
                BindingX="XVals"
                ChartType="SplineSymbols"
                Margin="10,10,0,52"/>
```

```

        HorizontalAlignment="Left"
        Grid.RowSpan="2"
            Width="490">
            <cl:Series x:Name="series0" SeriesName="Series 0"/>
            <cl:Series x:Name="series1" SeriesName="Series
1" />
        </cl:C1FlexChart>

```

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Subscribe to a mouse event to capture the pointer coordinates, as shown in the below code snippet.

o **Xaml**

```

<cl:C1FlexChart Binding="YVals"
    BindingX="XVals"
    ChartType="SplineSymbols"
    x:Name="flexChart"
    MouseLeftButtonDown="flexChart_MouseLeftButtonDown"
    Margin="10,10,0,52"
    HorizontalAlignment="Left"
    Grid.RowSpan="2" Width="490">
    <cl:Series x:Name="series0" SeriesName="Series 0"/>
    <cl:Series x:Name="series1" SeriesName="Series 1" />
</cl:C1FlexChart>

```

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In the respective event handler, invoke the **HitTest()** method and pass the captured mouse pointer coordinates, as shown in the below code snippet.

o **VB**

```

Private Sub flexChart_MouseLeftButtonDown(sender As Object, e As MouseButtonEventArgs)

    HitTestOnFlexChart(e.GetPosition(flexChart))
End Sub

```

o **C#**

```

private void flexChart_MouseLeftButtonDown(object sender, MouseButtonEventArgs e)
{
    HitTestOnFlexChart(e.GetPosition(flexChart));
}

```

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The information regarding mouse pointer location, as returned by the **HitTestInfo** object, can then be reused. For example in the below code snippet, the values returned by **HitTestInfo** object are converted to string and displayed in a TextBlock.

o **VB**

```

Private Sub HitTestOnFlexChart(p As Point)
    ' Show information about chart element under mouse/touch.
    Dim ht = flexChart.HitTest(p)

    Dim result = New StringBuilder()

    result.AppendLine(String.Format("Chart element:{0}", ht.ChartElement))
    If ht.Series IsNot Nothing Then
        result.AppendLine(String.Format("Series name:{0}", ht.Series.Name))
    End If

    If ht.PointIndex > 0 Then
        result.AppendLine(String.Format("Point index={0:0}", ht.PointIndex))
    End If

```

```

    If ht.Distance > 0 Then
        result.AppendLine(String.Format("Distance={0:0}", ht.Distance))
    End If

    If ht.X IsNot Nothing Then
        result.AppendLine(String.Format("X={0:0:0}", ht.X))
    End If

    If ht.Y IsNot Nothing Then
        result.AppendLine(String.Format("Y={0:0:0}", ht.Y))
    End If

    tbPosition1.Text = result.ToString()
End Sub
o C#
void HitTestOnFlexChart(Point p)
{
    // Show information about chart element under mouse/touch.
    var ht = flexChart.HitTest(p);
    var result = new StringBuilder();
    result.AppendLine(string.Format("Chart element:{0}", ht.ChartElement));
    if (ht.Series != null)
        result.AppendLine(string.Format("Series name:{0}", ht.Series.Name));
    if (ht.PointIndex > 0)
        result.AppendLine(string.Format("Point index={0:0}", ht.PointIndex));
    if (ht.Distance > 0)
        result.AppendLine(string.Format("Distance={0:0}", ht.Distance));
    if (ht.X != null)
        result.AppendLine(string.Format("X={0:0:0}", ht.X));
    if (ht.Y != null)
        result.AppendLine(string.Format("Y={0:0:0}", ht.Y));
    tbPosition1.Text = result.ToString();
}

```

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FlexChart Elements

You can customize the elements of a chart to make the chart look more professional and visually appealing.

FlexChart consists of Axes, Legend, and Titles. These elements have already been discussed briefly in [FlexChart Fundamentals](#).

Below are the sections that focus upon the customization of these elements with respect to FlexChart.

- [FlexChart Axes](#)
- [FlexChart Axes Labels](#)
- [Annotations](#)
- [FlexChart Legend](#)
- [FlexChart Series](#)
- [FlexChart Data Labels](#)
- [Multiple Plot Areas](#)

FlexChart Axis

Charts generally have two axes for measuring and categorizing data: a vertical axis (Y-axis) and a horizontal axis (X-axis). The vertical axis is also known as value axis, and the horizontal axis is also called category axis.

Not all charts depict axes in the same manner. For instance, Scatter charts and Bubble charts depict numeric values on the vertical axis as well as the horizontal axis to represent discreet or continuous numerical data. A real-time example could be how Internet Usage (Hours per Week) is plotted against different Age Groups. Here, both the items will have numeric values, and data points will be plotted corresponding to their numeric values on X and Y axes.

Other charts, such as Line, Column, Bar, and Area display numeric values on the vertical axis and categories on the horizontal axis. A real-time example could be how Internet Usage (Hours per Week) is plotted against different regions. Here, regions will be textual categories plotted on the horizontal axis.

However, FlexChart provides great flexibility, thereby allowing you to display numeric values on both X and Y axes even in case of Bar, Line, and Area charts. Also, FlexChart doesn't require any additional settings to display different types of values.

An axis in **FlexChart** is represented by the [Axis](#) class. You can access the primary axes of FlexChart by using the [AxisX](#) and the [AxisY](#) property.

The primary X-axis is rendered horizontally at the bottom, and the primary Y-axis is rendered vertically at the left. You can, however, create exceptions to this rule by customizing the primary axes and also by using multiple axes.

While working with FlexChart, you can change the way tick marks and axes labels appear. You can even lessen the number of axes labels on X and Y axes by specifying the number of units between values on the axes. In addition, you can modify the alignment and orientation of the labels and change the format of the numbers to be depicted. You can style the axes and change their position as per your requirements as well.

The sections, which are mentioned below, explain different customizations and modifications possible with respect to the FlexChart axes.

- [Axes Position](#)
- [Axes Title](#)
- [Axes Tick Marks](#)
- [Axes Gridlines](#)
- [Axes Bounds](#)
- [Axis Scaling](#)
- [Axes Reversing](#)
- [Axis Binding](#)
- [Multiple Axes](#)

Axis Position

FlexChart lets you change the position of the axes by using the [Position](#) property.

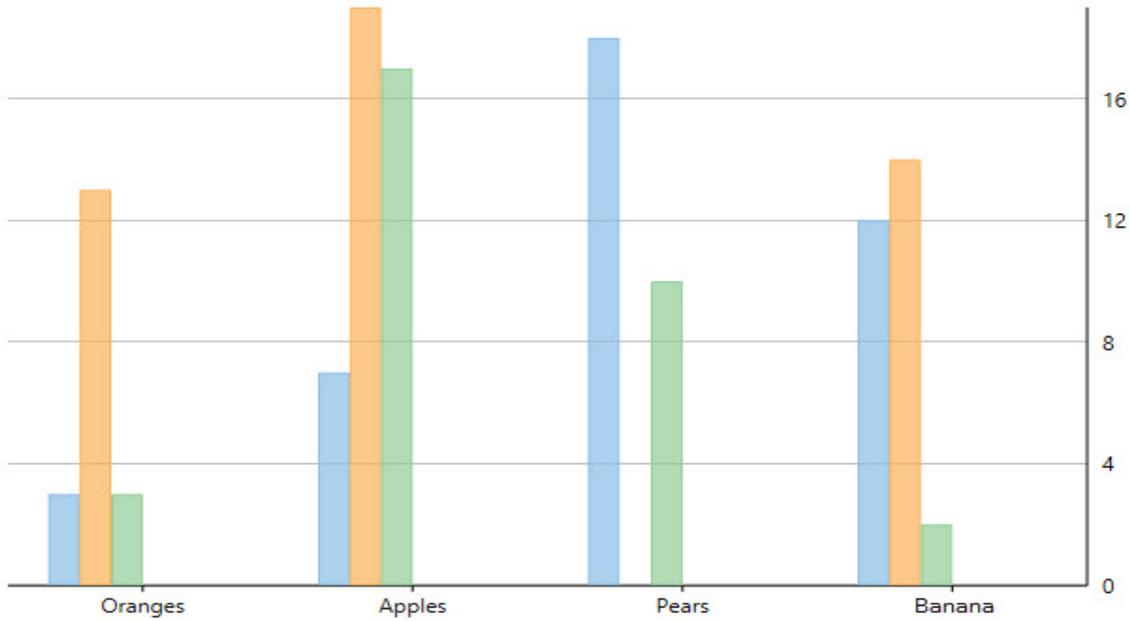
The **Position** property for an axis can be set to the following values in the [Position](#) enumeration:

Property	Description
Position.Auto	Positions the item automatically.
Position.Bottom	Positions the item at the bottom.
Position.Left	Positions the item at the left.
Position.None	Hides the item.
Position.Right	Positions the item at the right.
Position.Top	Positions the item at the top.

Here is the sample code:

- **C#**

```
flexChart.AxisX.Position = Cl.Chart.Position.Bottom;  
flexChart.AxisY.Position = Cl.Chart.Position.Right;
```



Axis Title

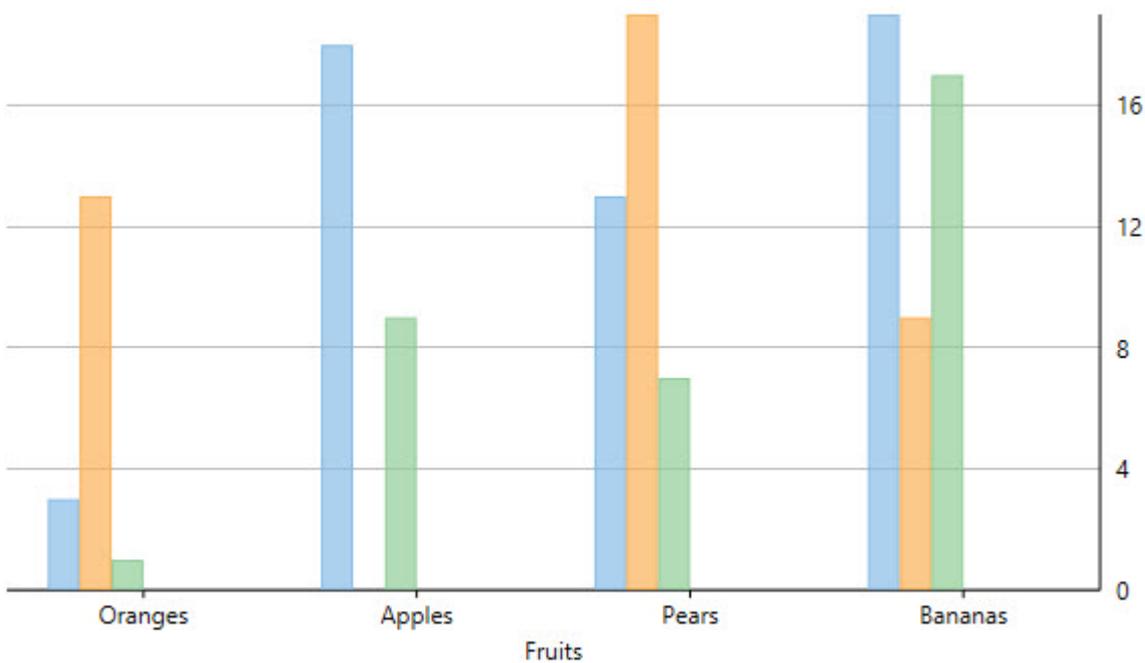
After creating a chart, you can add a title to any vertical or horizontal axis in the chart. An axis title displays information regarding what is displayed along the axis. And it enables end-users viewing the chart to understand what the data is about. It is however not possible to add axis titles to charts without axes, for instance Pie Chart.

In **FlexChart**, you can set the axis title by using the `Title` property, which accepts a string.

See the following code snippet:

- C#

```
flexChart.AxisX.Title = "Fruits";
```



Axes Tick Marks

Axes tick marks are the points at which labels are plotted on the axes. In other words, they are the small marks that identify the position of items on the axes. In addition, they divide axes into equal sections by a value determined by specific properties of an axis. And their location controls the location of grid lines.

When it comes to axes tick marks, a chart is rendered with two types basically: major tick marks and minor tick marks. Major tick marks are rendered automatically when an axis intersects the interval grid lines. And minor tick marks are rendered between major tick marks.

By default, **FlexChart** sets up X-axis with major tick marks and Y-axis with no tick marks.

You can, however, use the [MajorTickMarks](#) and the [MinorTickMarks](#) property to manipulate the position of the major tick marks and the minor tick marks respectively.

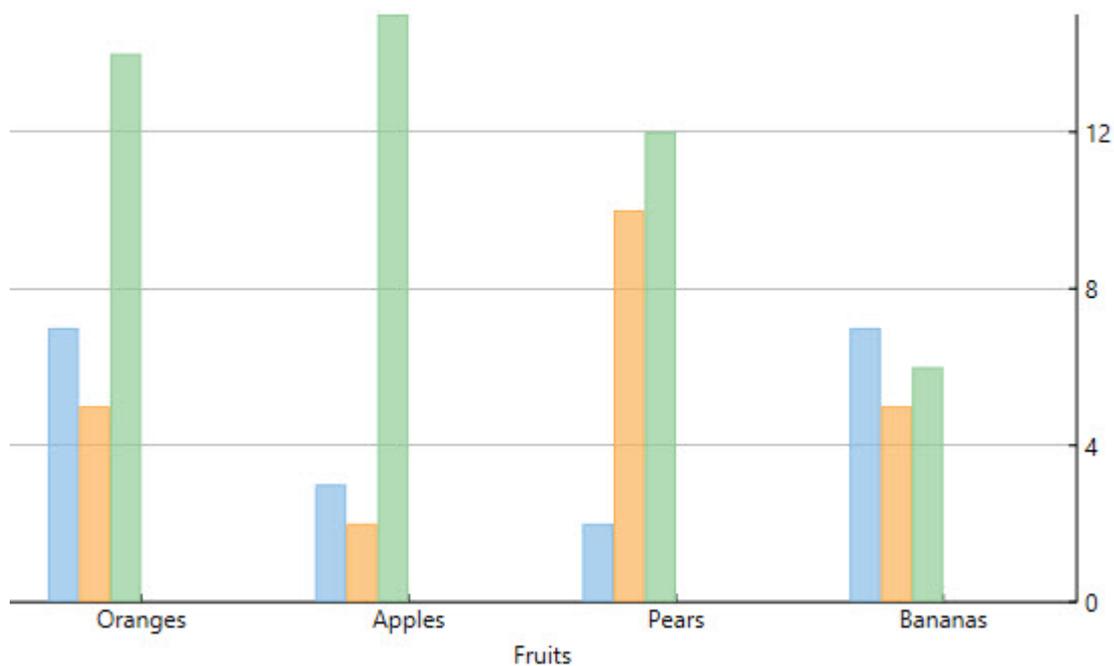
Both the properties can be set to any of the following [TickMark](#) enumeration values:

Values	Description
TickMark.Cross	Tick marks cross the axis.
TickMark.Outside	Tick marks appear outside the plot.
TickMark.Inside	Tick marks appear inside the plot.
TickMark.None	Tick marks don't appear.

See the following code sample:

- **C#**

```
flexChart.AxisX.MajorTickMarks = C1.Chart.TickMark.Outside;  
flexChart.AxisY.MajorTickMarks = C1.Chart.TickMark.Outside;
```



Axis Grid Lines

Axis grid lines extend from any vertical or horizontal axis across the plot area of the chart. They are displayed for major and minor units and aligned with major and minor tick marks displayed on the axes. These auxiliary lines form a grid that improves the readability of the chart, especially when you are looking for exact values.

Primarily, axis grid lines are of two types: major grid lines and minor grid lines. The lines perpendicular to major tick marks at major unit intervals are major gridlines, while those perpendicular to minor tick marks at minor unit intervals are minor grid lines.

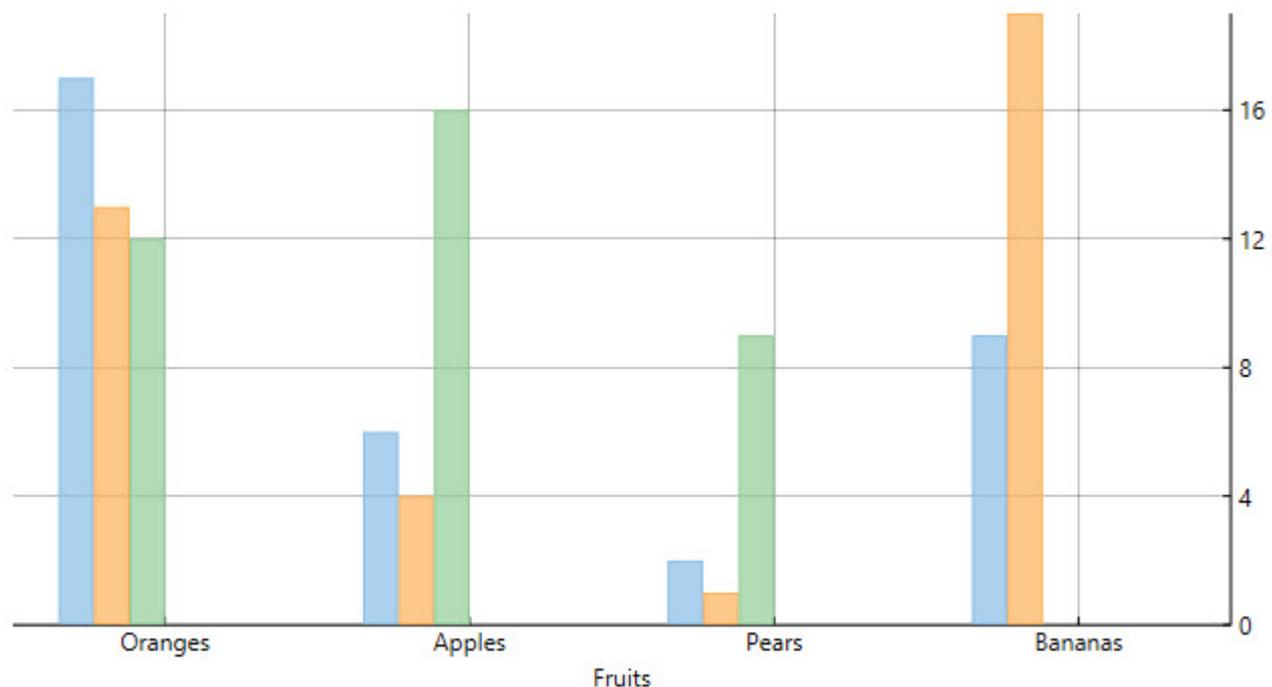
In **FlexChart**, major grid lines are controlled by the `MajorGrid` property, while minor grid lines are controlled by the `MinorGrid` property. In addition, the appearances of the major and the minor grid lines are controlled by the `MajorGridStyle` and the `MinorGridStyle` property respectively.

Using these properties, you can display horizontal as well as vertical grid lines to make the FlexChart data easier to read.

The code below illustrates how to set these properties.

- **C#**

```
flexChart.AxisY.MajorGrid = true;  
flexChart.AxisX.MajorGrid = true;
```



Axis Bounds

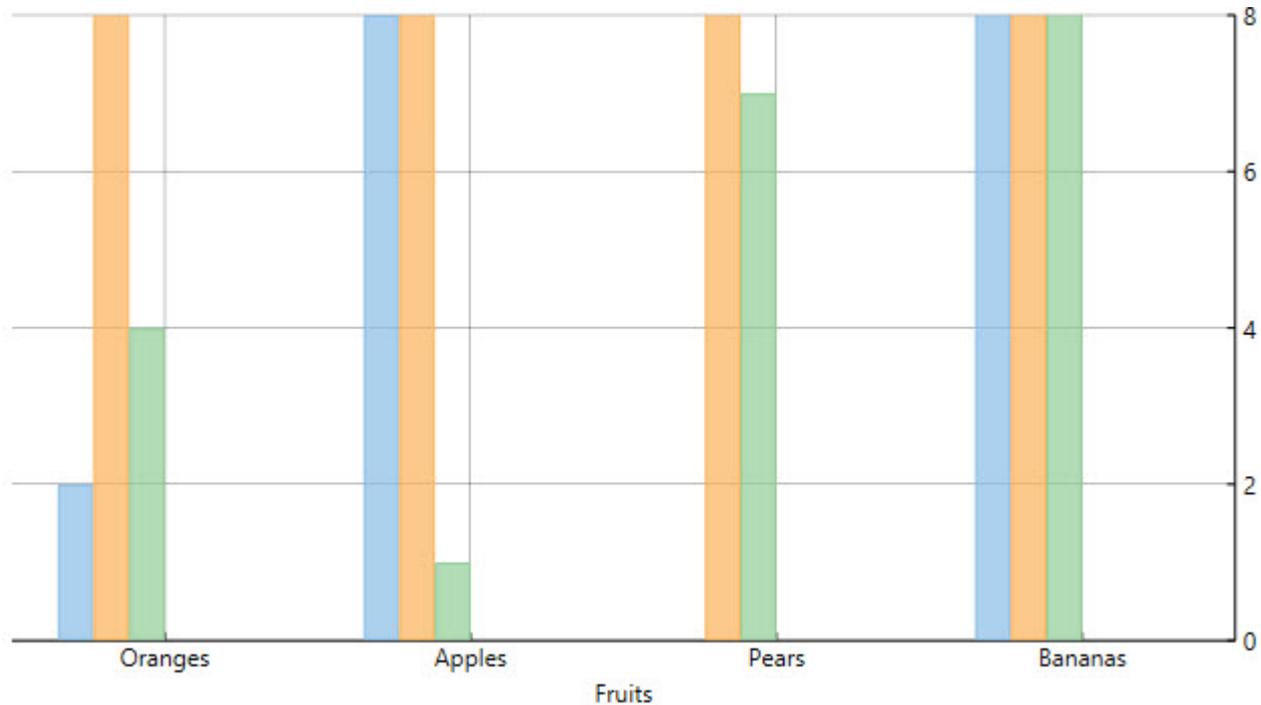
If you want to display a specific portion of the chart in terms of data, you can do so by fixing the axes bounds. With axes bounds, the chart determines the extent of each axis by reckoning the lowest and the highest data values.

FlexChart enables you to set axes bounds by setting the `Min` and the `Max` property for the axes.

The following code shows how to set the **Min** and the **Max** property:

- **C#**

```
flexChart.AxisY.Min = 0;  
flexChart.AxisY.Max = 8;
```



Axes Scaling

Sometimes, you require distinguishing the data plotted by the series in the chart. The need arises when the data points of the series do not fall in the same range. In other words, the Y axes of the series contain values in different ranges. For instance, there could be two series. The Y values for one might lie between 0 and 100 and that for the other between 0 and -100. In addition, the data of the series could require different scales altogether. In such cases, displaying the Y values of the series on a single Y-axis can confuse the interpretation of the data and overlap the same as well.

FlexChart allows you to deal with such cases by letting you scale the axes (primary and additional) by using the Min, the Max, and the MajorUnit properties. You can even apply these properties to an additional Y-axis for plotting the Y values for one of the series for better data representation.

Axis Reversing

When a dataset contains X or Y values that lie in a large range, the general chart setup sometimes doesn't display the information most effectively. Often, the chart data may look more appealing with the axes reversed.

You can reverse the axes in **FlexChart** by using the [Reversed](#) property.

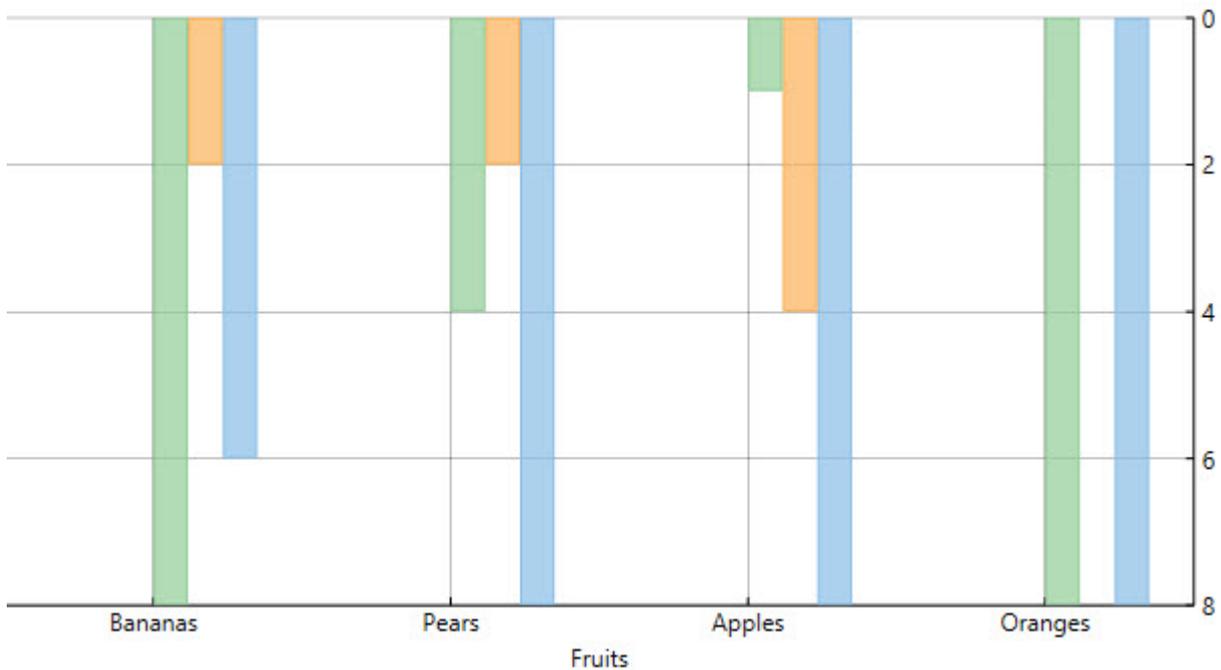
Setting the **Reversed** property for the axes to True reverses the axes. This means that the maximum value along the axis takes the place of the minimum value, and the minimum value along the axis takes the place of the maximum value.

Initially, the chart displays the minimum value on the left of X-axis, and at the bottom of Y-axis. However, the Reversed property for the axes juxtaposes the maximum and minimum values.

Here is the sample code:

- C#

```
flexChart.AxisX.Reversed = true;  
flexChart.AxisY.Reversed = true;
```

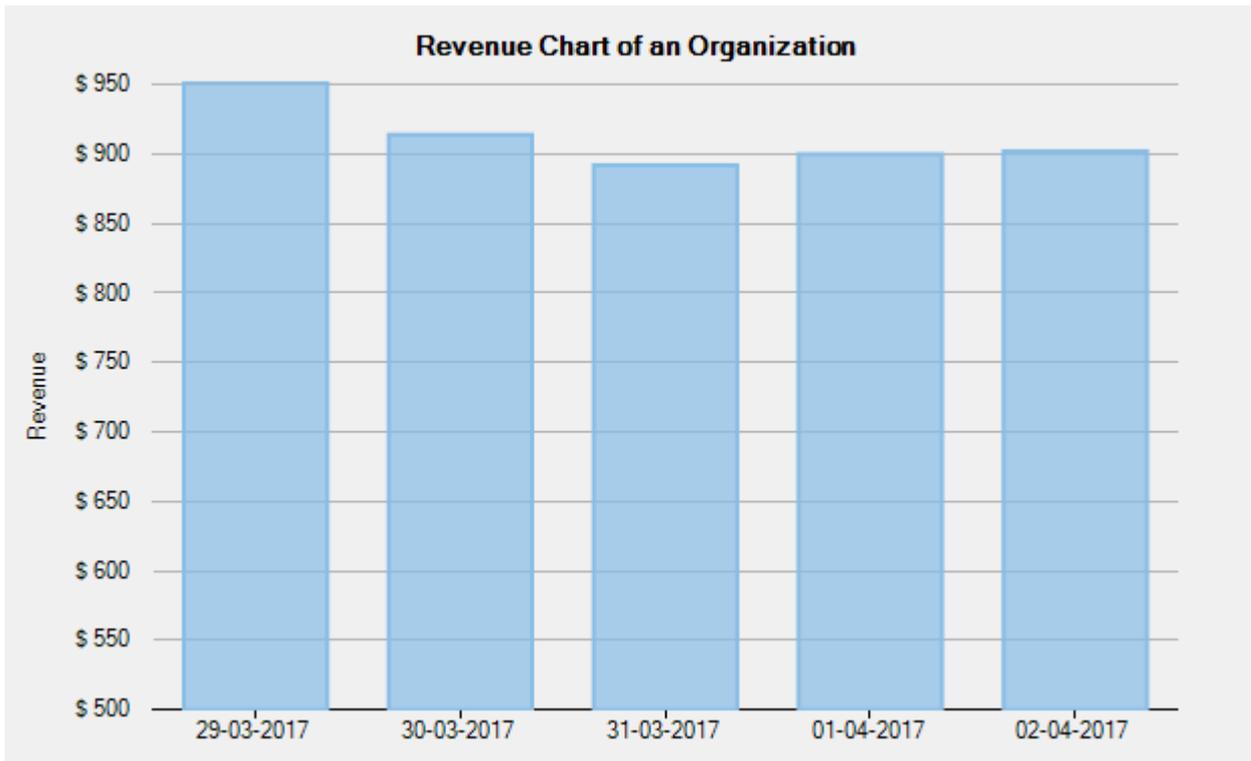


Axis Binding

Axis binding enables you to override the default axes labels that the axes display based on the chart binding. In other words, axis binding lets you show axes labels from a data source other than the chart data source.

FlexChart allows you to bind axes to a data source using the `ItemsSource` property of the `Axis` class. Specify the fields containing values for the axes labels in the data source using the `Binding` property of the `Axis` class.

The following image displays labels on Y-axis from the fields not part of the chart data source.



The following code uses revenue data of an organization in a given year. The chart datasource contains the revenue data in the Euro currency. To replace euro currency axis labels with USD currency labels, the code binds Y-axis to a data source containing USD data.

- **Visual Basic**

```
' bind Y axis to a data source
flexChart.AxisY.ItemsSource = AxisData

' specify fields containing values for axis labels
flexChart.Binding = "Value,Text"
```

- **C#**

```
// bind Y axis to a data source
flexChart.AxisY.ItemsSource = AxisData;

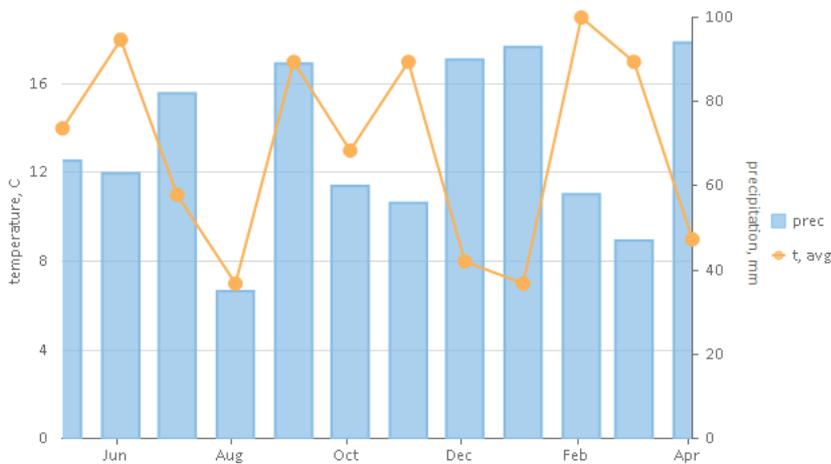
// specify fields containing values for axis labels
flexChart.Binding = "Value,Text";
```

Multiple Axis

Although a chart contains primary X and Y axes, you may still sometimes require additional axes to fulfill your requirements. For example, you may want to plot series of a significantly different range of values in a chart. In addition, you may want to plot entirely different values (of different types) within a single chart. With just two axes, it would not be possible to display data in such scenarios effectively. In such cases, using secondary axes would come in handy. To use secondary axes, you can plot multiple series in a single chart with their own X and Y axes.

FlexChart allows you to work with multiple axes easily. You just need to create additional axes as per your requirements, and then bind the same to the [AxisX](#) and the [AxisY](#) property of a series.

The following image shows two Y axes, one primary and another auxiliary, along with X axis in FlexChart.



The following code snippet demonstrates how you can create and use multiple axes in FlexChart:

- **XAML**

```
<cl:C1FlexChart x:Name="flexChart" ItemsSource="{Binding DataContext.Data}" BindingX="Time"
    Grid.Row="1">
    <cl:Series x:Name="precSeries" SeriesName="prec" Binding="Precipitation">
        <cl:Series.AxisY>
            <cl:Axis Position="Right" Min="0" Max="100" Title="precipitation, mm" MajorGrid="False"/>
        </cl:Series.AxisY>
    </cl:Series>
    <cl:Series x:Name="avgSeries" SeriesName="t, avg" ChartType="LineSymbols" Binding="Temperature"/>
    <cl:C1FlexChart.AxisY>
        <cl:Axis Title="temperature, C" Min="0" MajorGrid="True" AxisLine="False" Position="Left" MajorTickMarks="None"></cl:Axis>
    </cl:C1FlexChart.AxisY>
</cl:C1FlexChart>
```

FlexChart Axes Labels

Axes labels are the values that appear along the axes. By default, axes labels are determined on the basis of the axes data points and the generated intervals.

In **FlexChart**, you can change the look, format, and alignment of the axes labels using the properties listed below.

Property	Description
Format	Specifies the format string used for the axes labels.
LabelAlignment	Sets the alignment of the axes labels.
LabelAngle	Specifies the rotation angle of the labels.
Labels	Indicates whether the axes labels are visible.
OverlappingLabels	Indicates how to handle overlapping labels.

The following sections discuss how to work with these properties:

- [Axes Labels Format](#)
- [Axes Labels Rotation](#)
- [Axes Labels Visibility](#)
- [Axes Labels Overlap](#)
- [Axis Grouping](#)

Axes Labels Format

By default, axis labels are determined automatically based on the data points and generated intervals of the axes. However, you can still format the axis labels by using the `Format` property to cover your requirements better.

The `Format` property accepts values from the Standard .Net Format string.

Axes Labels Rotation

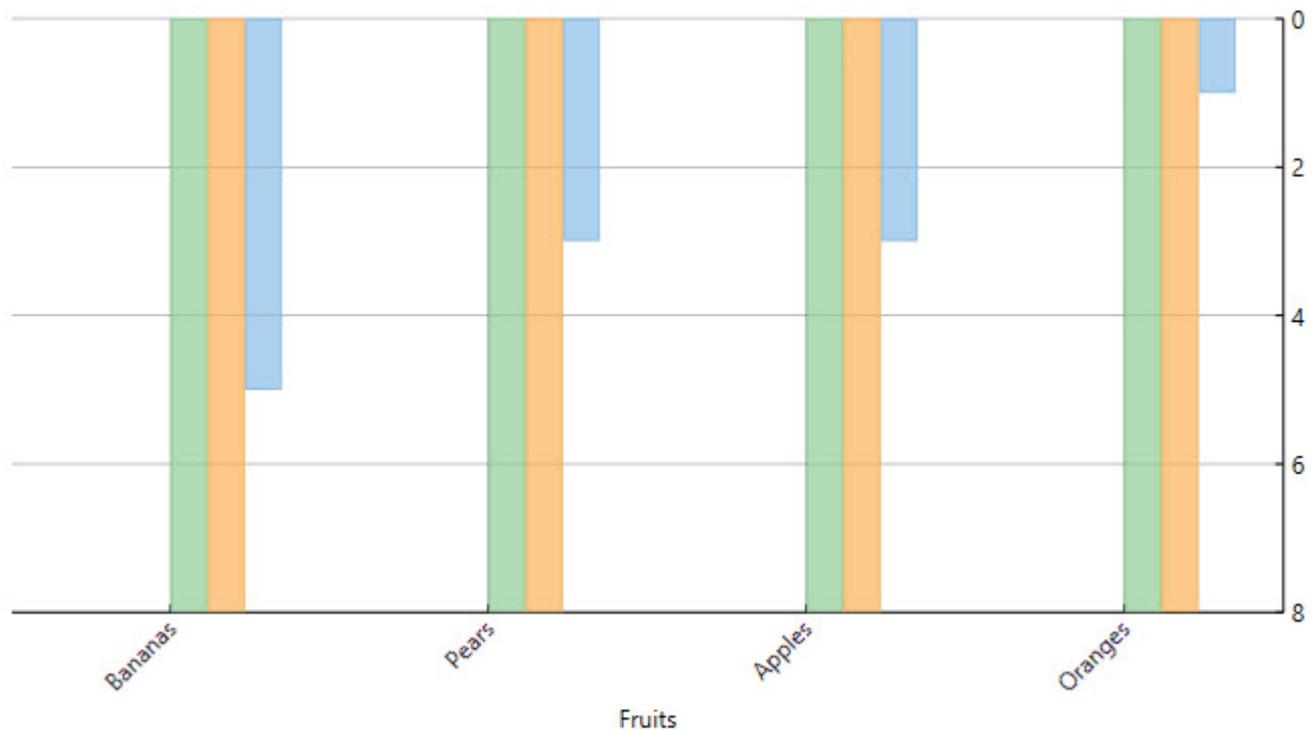
When the horizontal axis is crowded with axis labels, you need to rotate the labels to avoid the cluttered look. Rotating the labels allows you to accommodate a large number of labels in a limited space on the axis.

You can use the `LabelAngle` property to rotate axes labels in anticlockwise direction in **FlexChart**.

See the code given below for reference.

- **C#**

```
flexChart.AxisX.LabelAngle = 45;
```



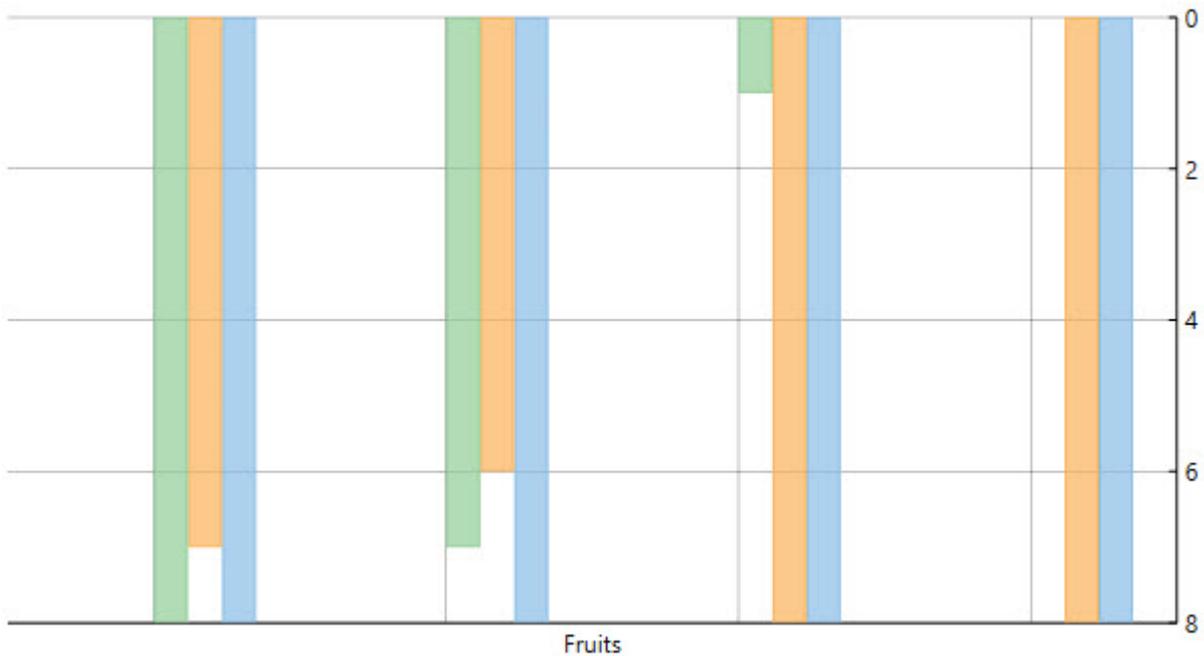
Axes Labels Visibility

FlexChart enables you to show or hide axis labels with the `Labels` property. You can set the property to `False` for a specific axis, if you want to hide axis labels along the axis. The default value of the `Labels` property is `True`.

See the following code snippet:

- **C#**

```
flexChart.AxisX.Labels = false;
```



Axes Labels Overlap

In case there are less number of data points and shorter label text, axis labels are rendered without any overlapping. However, axis labels may overlap due to its long text or large numbers of data points in chart.

To manage overlapped axis labels in FlexChart, use the following options.

- **Trim or Wrap Axis Labels**
- **Staggered Axis Labels**

Trim or Wrap Axis Labels

In case there are overlapping labels in the chart for any reason, you can manage the same using the [OverlappingLabels](#) property.

The [OverlappingLabels](#) property accepts the following values in the [OverlappingLabels](#) enumeration:

Property	Description
Auto	Hides overlapping labels.
Show	Shows all labels including the overlapping ones.
Trim	Trim label, if it's larger than the available width.
WordWrap	Wrap label, if it's larger than the available width.

Here is the code snippet:

- **C#**

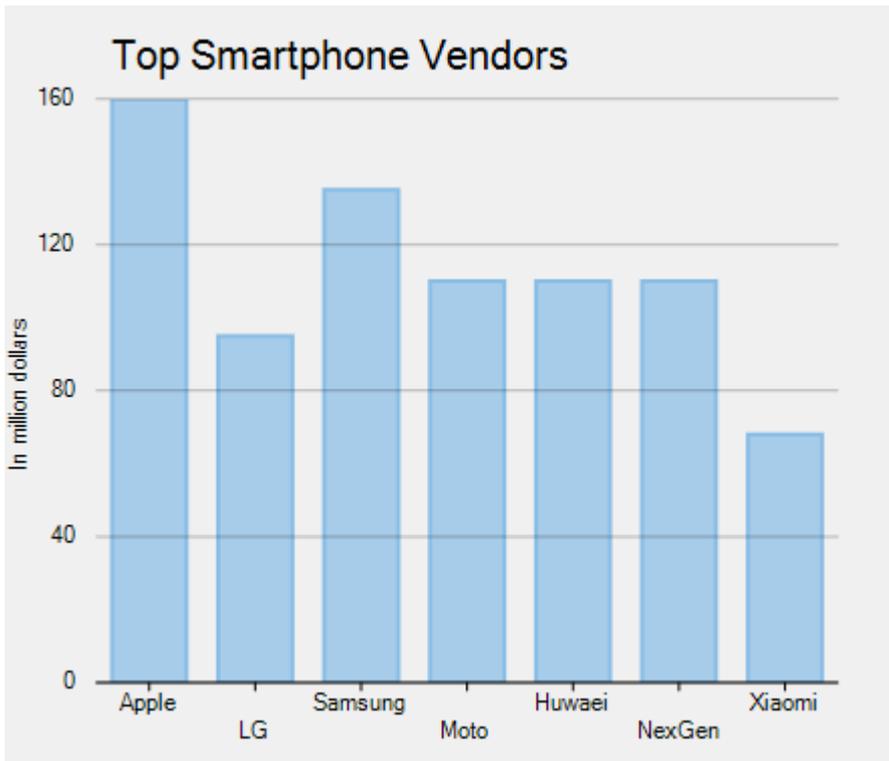
```
flexChart.AxisX.OverlappingLabels = C1.Chart.OverlappingLabels.Auto;
flexChart.AxisY.OverlappingLabels = C1.Chart.OverlappingLabels.Show;
```

Staggered Axis Lines

Another way to handle overlapping of axis labels is to stagger them for better visibility. Staggered axis labels can be generated by using [StaggeredLines](#) property. This property accepts an integer value and the default value is set to 1.

C#

```
// Set StaggeredLines property  
flexChart1.AxisX.StaggeredLines = 2;
```



Axis Grouping

FlexChart provides the flexibility to group axis labels as per the requirement. Axis grouping helps in improving the readability of the chart and makes it easy for analyzing data from different levels. Implementation of axis grouping in FlexChart depends on the data you are using, it can be either categorical data, numerical data, or DateTime data.

FlexChart supports the following axis grouping depending upon the data.

Categorical Axis Grouping

Learn how to perform axis grouping while working with categorical data.

Numerical Axis Grouping

Learn how to perform axis grouping while working with numerical data.

DateTime Axis Grouping

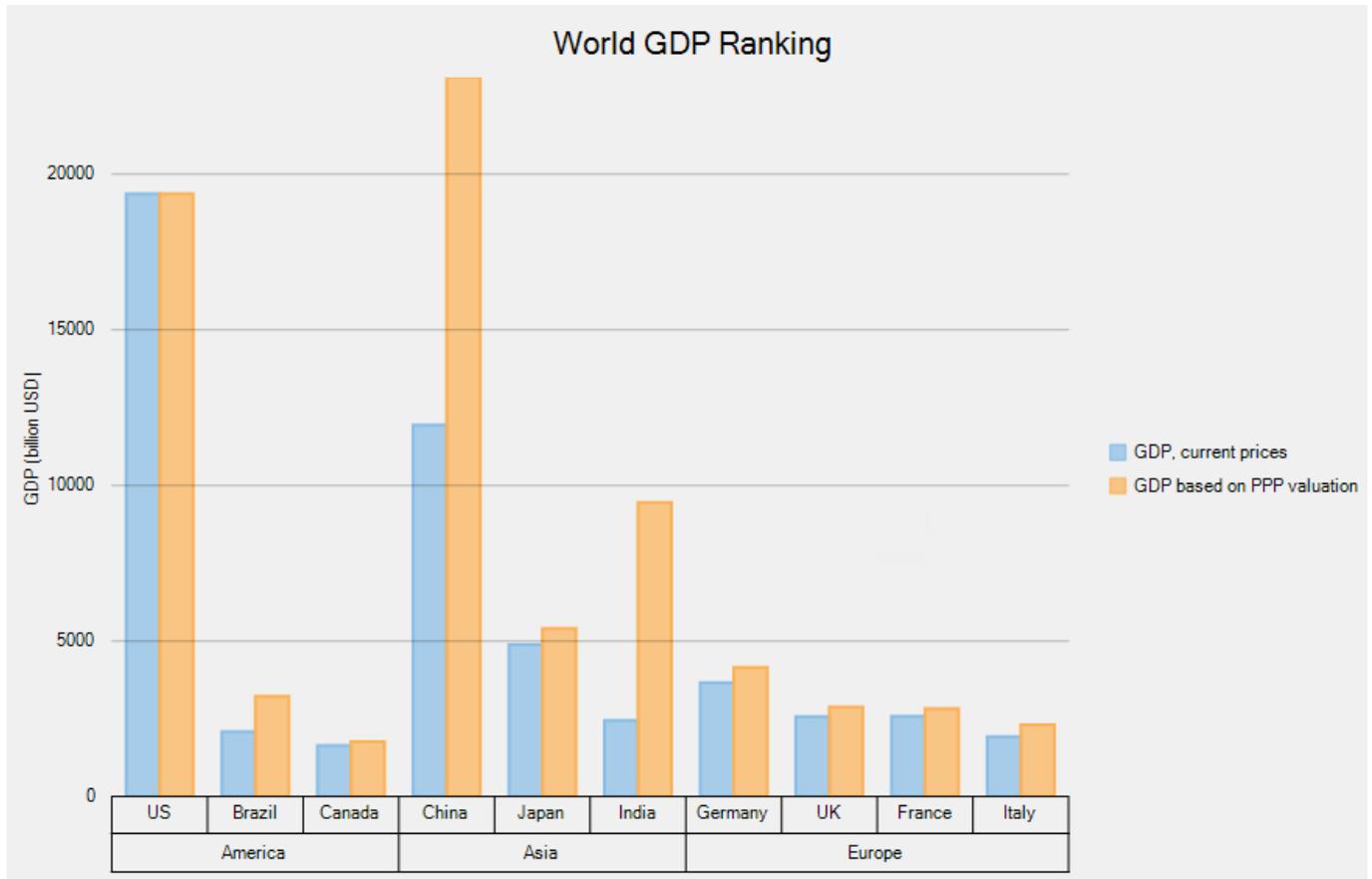
Learn how to perform axis grouping while working with date time format data.

Categorical Grouping

Categorical axis grouping is applicable in scenarios where the data displayed on the axis is categorical in nature. Categorical data can either be flat or hierarchical. In case you are using flat data, use the [GroupNames](#) property to apply axis grouping. And, in case you are using hierarchical data, use the [GroupNames](#)

and `GroupItemsPath` property to apply axis grouping. Moreover, FlexChart allows you to set the group separator using the `GroupSeparator` property.

The following image shows how FlexChart appears after setting the categorical axis grouping using flat data.



Add the following code in Index.xaml.

XAML

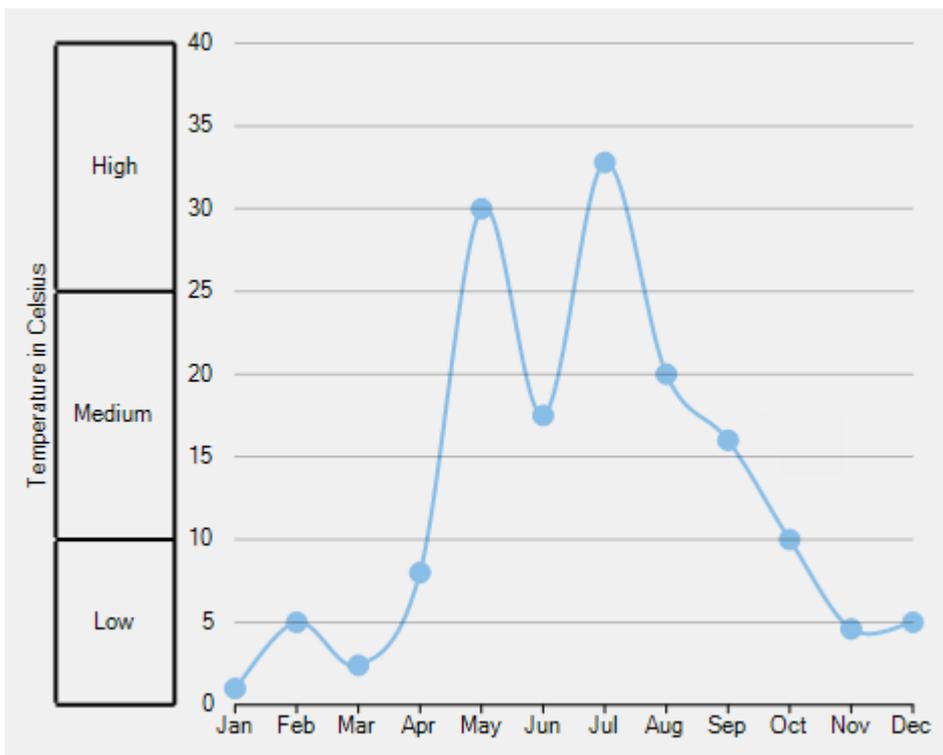
```
<cl:C1FlexChart x:Name="flexChart" Background="White" ChartType="Column"
BindingX="Country"
ItemsSource="{Binding Data}" ToolTipContent="{x}
{seriesName}{y:n0}" Header="World GDP Ranking" Grid.Row="1" >
    <cl:C1FlexChart.HeaderStyle>
        <cl:ChartStyle FontSize="20" FontFamily="GenericSansSerif"/>
    </cl:C1FlexChart.HeaderStyle>
    <cl:Series SeriesName="GDP, current prices" Binding="CurrentPrices"/>
    <cl:Series SeriesName="GDP based on PPP valuation"
Binding="PPPValuation"/>
    <cl:C1FlexChart.AxisX>
        <cl:Axis GroupSeparator="Gird" GroupNames="Continent" />
    </cl:C1FlexChart.AxisX>
    <cl:C1FlexChart.AxisY>
        <cl:Axis Title="GDP (billion USD)" MajorGrid="True"/>
    </cl:C1FlexChart.AxisY>
</cl:C1FlexChart>
```

Numerical Axis Grouping

Numerical axis grouping is applicable in scenarios where the data displayed on the axis represents numeric values. To implement numerical axis grouping in FlexChart, set the `GroupProvider` property to an object of the `IAxisGroupProvider` implementation.

In the example code below, we have created a class `NumericAxisGroupProvider` that implements the `IAxisGroupProvider` interface. The interface provides `GetLevels` method that returns the group levels and `GetRanges` method that returns the group ranges for a given level. Moreover, FlexChart allows you to set the group separator using the `GroupSeparator` property.

The following image shows how FlexChart appears after setting the numerical axis grouping.



Add the following code in `Index.xaml`.

XAML

```
<cl:C1FlexChart x:Name="flexChart" Background="White" ChartType="SplineSymbols"
BindingX="Month"
    ItemsSource="{Binding Data}" Grid.Row="1" >
    <cl:Series Binding="Temperature" />
    <cl:C1FlexChart.AxisY>
    <cl:Axis Title="Temperature in Celsius" MajorGrid="True"
GroupSeparator="Horizontal" Min="0" Max="40"/>
    </cl:C1FlexChart.AxisY>
</cl:C1FlexChart>
```

Code

```
public NumericAxisGrouping()
{
    InitializeComponent();
    flexChart.AxisY.GroupProvider = new NumericAxisGroupProvider();
}
class NumericAxisGroupProvider : IAxisGroupProvider
{
    public int GetLevels(IRange range)
    {
        return 1;
    }

    public IList<IRange> GetRanges(IRange range, int level)
    {
        var ranges = new List<IRange>();
        if (level == 1)
        {
            ranges.Add(new DoubleRange("Low", 0, 10));
            ranges.Add(new DoubleRange("Medium", 10, 25));
            ranges.Add(new DoubleRange("High", 25, 40));
        }
        return ranges;
    }
}
```

DateTime Axis Grouping

DateTime axis grouping is applicable in scenarios where the data displayed on the axis represents date time values. To implement date axis grouping in FlexChart, set the [GroupProvider](#) property to an object of the [IAxisGroupProvider](#) implementation.

In the example code below, we have created a class **DateTimeGroupProvider** that implements the [IAxisGroupProvider](#) interface. The interface provides [GetLevels](#) method that returns the group levels and [GetRanges](#) method that returns the group ranges for a given level. Moreover, FlexChart allows you to set the group separator using the [GroupSeparator](#) property.

The following image shows how FlexChart appears after setting the date axis grouping.



Add the following code in Index.xaml.

XAML

```
<cl:C1FlexChart x:Name="flexChart" Background="White" ChartType="Line"
BindingX="Time"
    ItemsSource="{Binding Data}" Grid.Row="1" >
    <cl:Series Binding="Price"/>
    <cl:C1FlexChart.AxisX>
        <cl:Axis GroupSeparator="Grid" Format="MMM"/>
    </cl:C1FlexChart.AxisX>
</cl:C1FlexChart>
```

Code

```
public DateTimeAxisGrouping()
{
    InitializeComponent();
    flexChart.AxisX.GroupProvider = new DateTimeGroupProvider();
}
public class DateTimeGroupProvider : IAxisGroupProvider
{
    public int GetLevels(IRange range)
```

```

    {
        return 2;
    }

    public IList<IRange> GetRanges(IRange range, int level)
    {
        var timeRange = range as TimeRange;
        if (timeRange == null)
            return null;
        var min = timeRange.TimeMin;
        var max = timeRange.TimeMax;
        var span = max - min;

        List<IRange> ranges = new List<IRange>();
        DateTime start;
        if (level == 1)
        {
            start = new DateTime(min.Year,
                ((int)Math.Ceiling((double)min.Month / 3) - 1) * 3 + 1, 1);
            ranges = Enumerable.Range(0, ((max.Month - start.Month) / 3 + 1)
                + 4 * (max.Year - start.Year)).Select(a => start.AddMonths(a * 3))
                .TakeWhile(a => a <= max)
                .Select(a => (IRange)(new TimeRange("Q" +
                (int)Math.Ceiling((double)a.Month / 3), a, a.AddMonths(3)))).ToList();
        }
        else
        {
            start = new DateTime(min.Year, 1, 1);
            ranges = Enumerable.Range(0, max.Year - start.Year + 1).Select(a
                => start.AddYears(a))
                .TakeWhile(a => a <= max)
                .Select(a => (IRange)(new TimeRange(a.ToString("yyyy"), a,
                a.AddYears(1)))).ToList();
        }

        return ranges;
    }
}

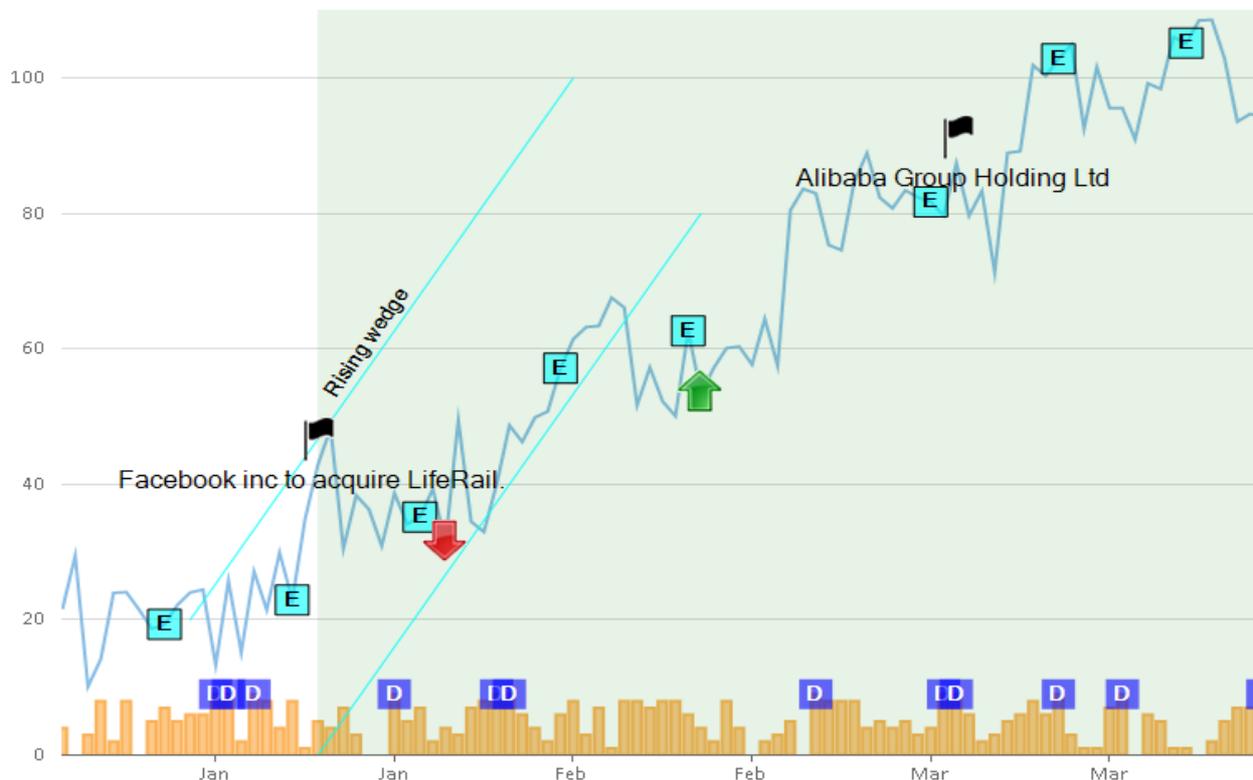
```

Annotations

Annotations are visual elements used to mark or highlight specific areas in a chart. They include texts, images, and shapes that can be used to display and highlight important information about specific data points. The primary purpose of using annotations in a chart is to communicate the chart data clearly.

FlexChart provides eight types of annotations in three categories: shape, text, and image annotations. Each annotation type allows you to make chart data informative in different ways. Those include displaying information in circle, rectangle, polygon, and other shapes, and highlighting data through explanatory notes or images.

In addition, annotations in FlexChart can be positioned in the chart using attachment modes, such as Absolute, Relative, Data Index, and Data Coordinate. Both annotations and their content are customizable through styling properties of font, color, and stroke. They can be made interactive by adding tooltips, especially image annotations.



To explore annotations, refer to the following sections:

- [Adding Annotations](#)
- [Positioning Annotations](#)
- [Customizing Annotations](#)
- [Types of Annotations](#)
- [Creating Callouts](#)

Adding Annotations

FlexChart enables you to add annotations in an annotation layer, which contains the collection of all annotations in the chart.

To add annotations in FlexChart, follow these steps:

1. Create an annotation layer in FlexChart.
2. Add the annotation instance in the annotation layer.

To create an annotation layer in FlexChart, create an instance of the [AnnotationLayer](#) class and add it to the [Layers](#) collection of FlexChart. To add an annotation into the annotation layer, create an instance of the annotation class based on its type. Add the annotation instance to the [Annotations](#) collection of the annotation layer.

The following code snippet illustrates how to create and add the Rectangle annotation to Annotation Layer in FlexChart.

XAML

```
<c1:C1FlexChart.Layers>
  <c1:AnnotationLayer>
    <c1:AnnotationLayer.Annotations>
      <c1:Rectangle Content="Maximum Tax Revenue&#13;2013&#13;45000">
```

```
</c1:Rectangle>
  </c1:AnnotationLayer.Annotations>
</c1:AnnotationLayer>
</c1:C1FlexChart.Layers>
```

Positioning Annotations

In FlexChart, positioning annotations includes two mechanisms (not necessarily in the same order), as follows:

- Positioning annotations relative to the chart.
- Positioning annotations relative to the data points.

Positioning Annotations Relative to the Chart

Positioning annotations relative to the chart includes specifying the attachment and the location of the annotations in the chart.

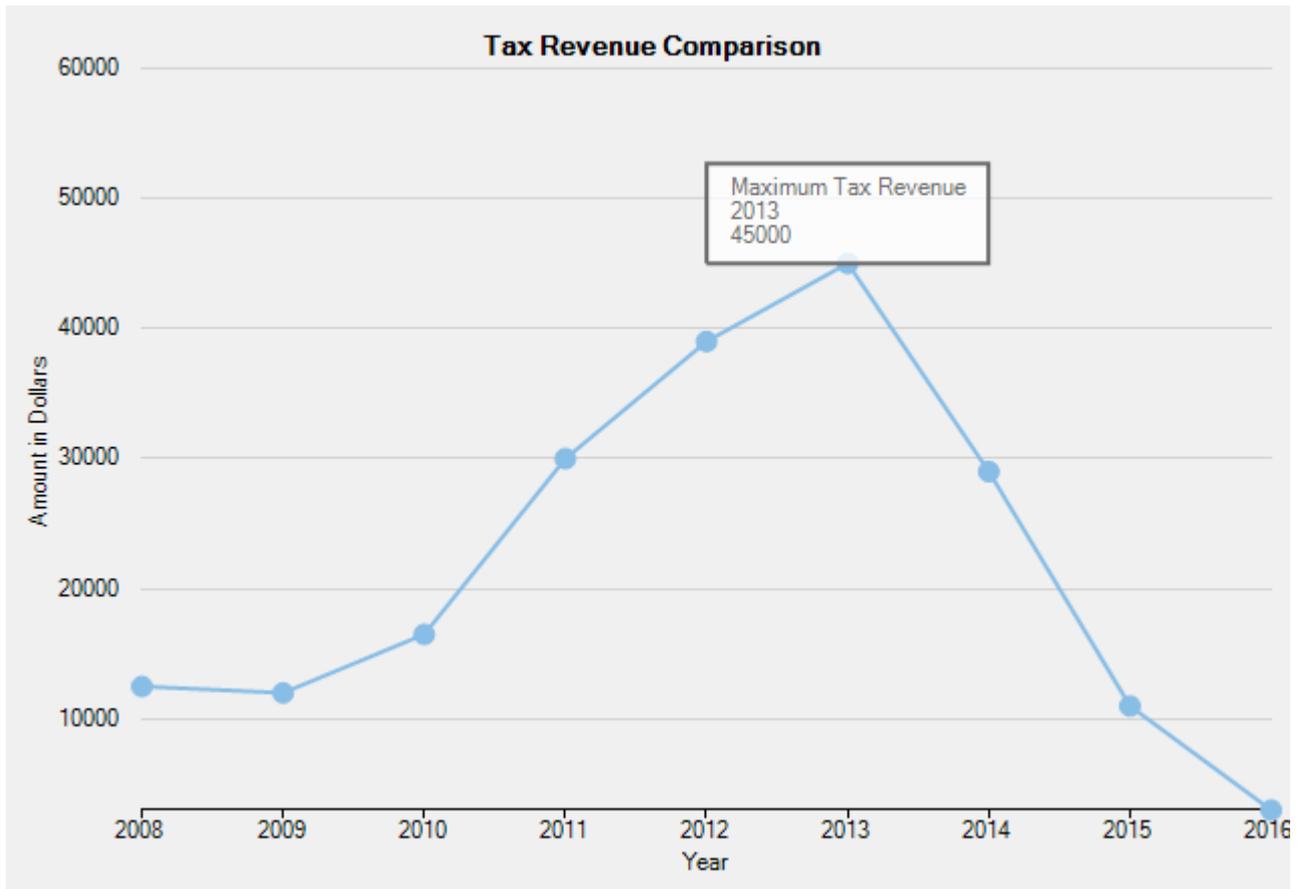
FlexChart provides four ways of attaching annotations, as follows:

- **Absolute:** This attachment indicates that the annotation is fixed and cannot move, irrespective of the resizing of the application. To set the absolute attachment, set the [Attachment](#) property to **Absolute** from the [AttachmentAttachment](#) enum. To set the location of the annotation in the absolute attachment mode, set the annotation's coordinates in pixels.
- **DataCoordinate:** This attachment indicates that the annotation is attached to a specific data point. To set this attachment, set the Attachment property to **DataCoordinate** from the AttachmentAttachment enum. To set the annotation's location, specify the annotation's data coordinates by setting the [Location](#) property.
- **DataIndex:** This attachment indicates that the annotation is attached to the series as per the series index and to the point as per the point index. To set this attachment, set the Attachment property to **DataIndex** from the AttachmentAttachment enum. To specify the annotation's location, set the [SeriesIndex](#) and the [PointIndex](#) properties.
- **Relative:** This attachment indicates that the annotation retains its location and dimensions relative to the chart. To set this attachment, set the Attachment property to **Relative** from the AttachmentAttachment enum. Specify the annotation's location using the Location property in terms of relative position inside the chart where (0, 0) is the top left corner and (1, 1) is the bottom right corner.

Positioning Annotations Relative to the Data Points

Specify the position of annotations with respect to the data points by setting the [Position](#) property from the [AnnotationPosition](#) enum.

The following image displays the Rectangle annotation highlighting the maximum tax revenue in the year, 2013.



The following code compares tax revenue data of nine consecutive years to display the maximum tax revenue. The code shows how to specify the attachment, location, and position of the Rectangle annotation to Annotation Layer in FlexChart.

XAML

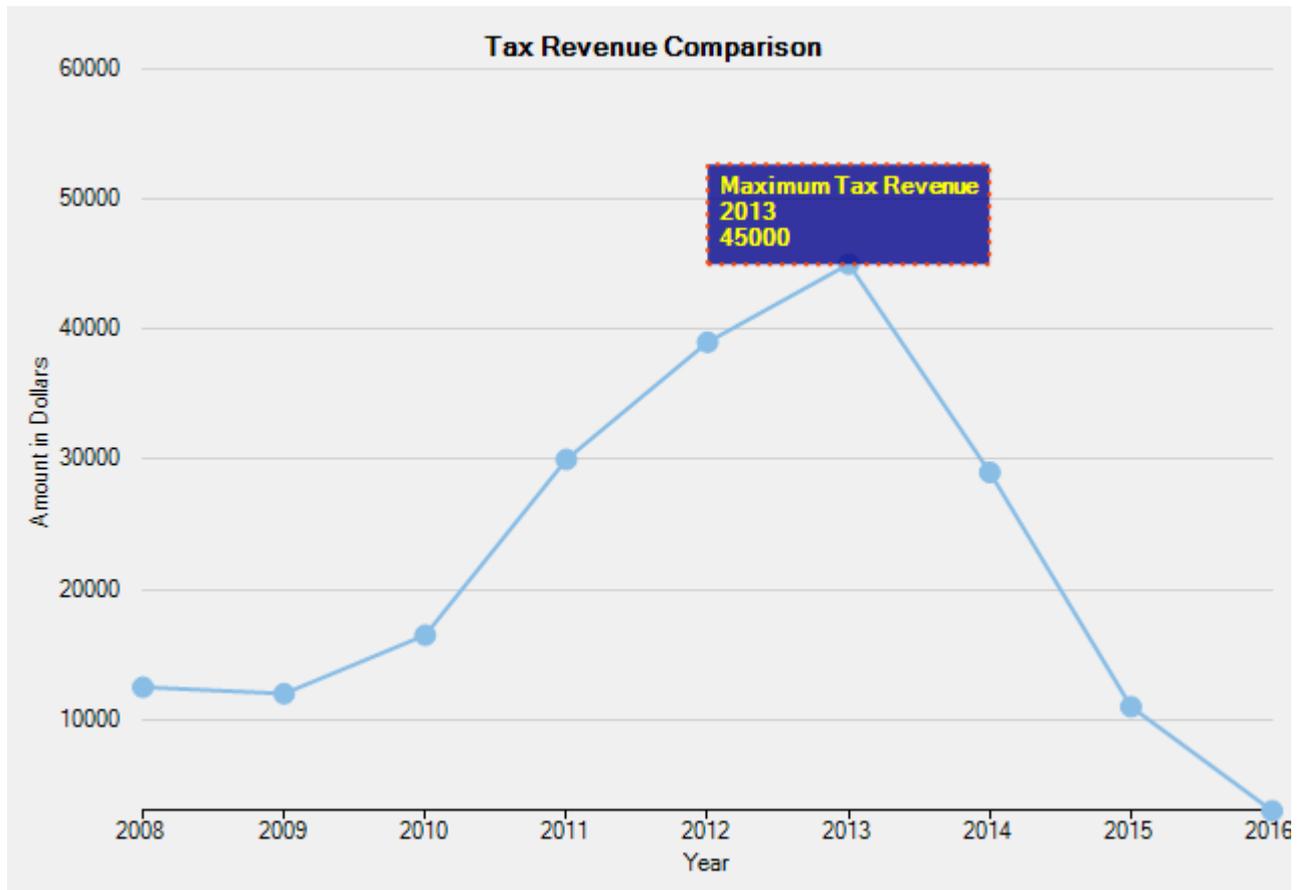
```
<c1:Rectangle Content="Maximum Tax Revenue&#13;2013&#13;45000"
  Attachment="DataIndex"
  SeriesIndex="0"
  PointIndex="5"
  Position="Top"
  Width="140"
  Height="50">
</c1:Rectangle>
```

Customizing Annotations

FlexChart annotations are customizable in terms of dimensions (for shapes), scaling (for images), and content style (for all except images).

- **Dimensions:** Change the dimensions of all shapes using dimension properties of the respective classes. For instance, to change the dimensions of the Rectangle annotation, set the [Height](#) and the [Width](#) properties of the [Rectangle](#) class.
- **Style:** Customize the appearance of shape and text annotations in terms of color, font, and stroke by using the [Style](#) property of the [AnnotationBase](#) class.
- **Content Style:** Customize the appearance of content present in shape annotations by using the [ContentStyle](#) property of the [Shape](#) class.

The following image displays the Rectangle annotation customized to further highlight the maximum tax revenue in the year, 2013.



The following code compares tax revenue data of nine consecutive years to display the maximum tax revenue. The code shows how to set the Rectangle annotation's dimensions, customize its appearance and content.

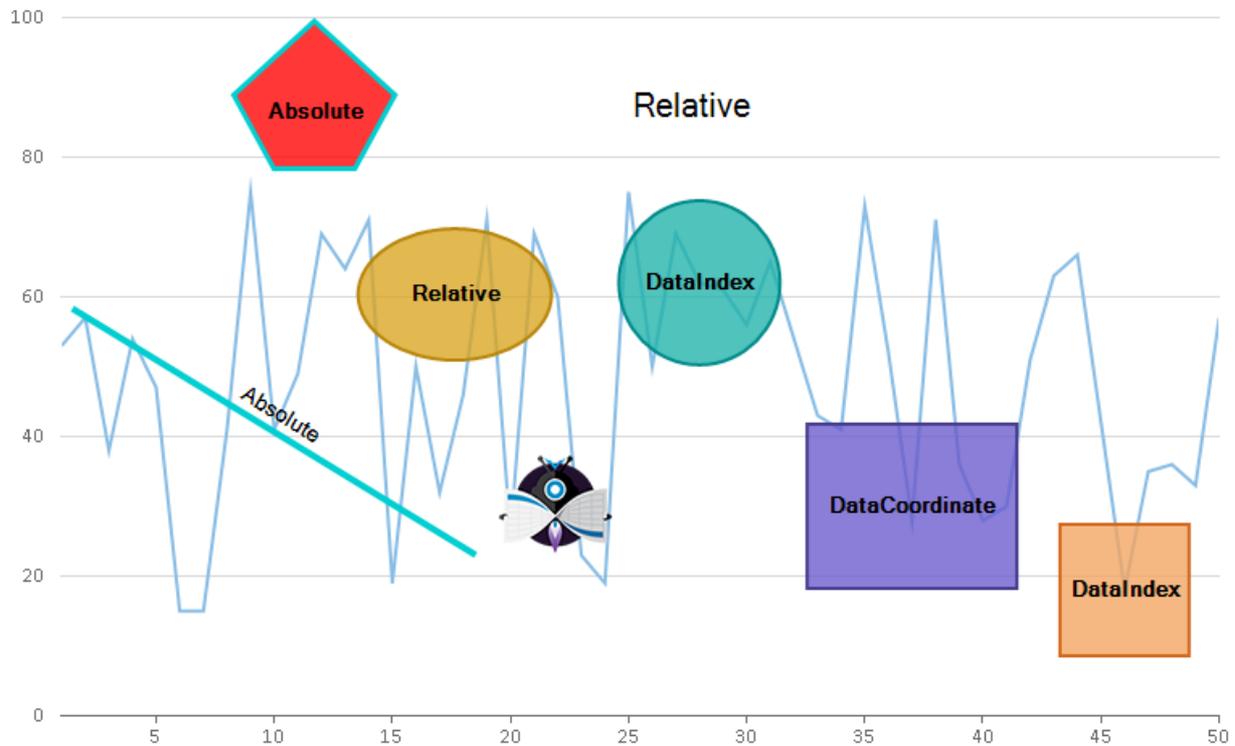
XAML

```
<c1:Rectangle.Style>
  <c1:ChartStyle Fill="DarkBlue"
    Stroke="OrangeRed"
    StrokeThickness="2"
    StrokeDashArray="1,2"
    FontFamily="GenericSansSerif"
    FontWeight="Regular" />
</c1:Rectangle.Style>
<c1:Rectangle.ContentStyle>
  <c1:ChartStyle Stroke="Yellow"
    FontFamily="GenericSansSerif"
    FontSize="8.5"
    FontWeight="Bold">
  </c1:ChartStyle>
</c1:Rectangle.ContentStyle>
```

Types of Annotations

FlexChart provides eight types of annotations in three categories, as follows:

- **Shapes:** Include useful information at specific areas and highlight the areas within chart data by using shapes, such as Circle, Ellipsis, Rectangle, Square, Line, or Polygon.
- **Text:** Add descriptive notes or informative comments at specific points in the chart by using text annotations.
- **Image:** Add self-explanatory images to readily communicate chart data by using image annotations.



To explore different types of annotations provided by FlexChart, refer to the following sections:

- [Shape Annotations](#)
- [Text Annotations](#)
- [Image Annotations](#)

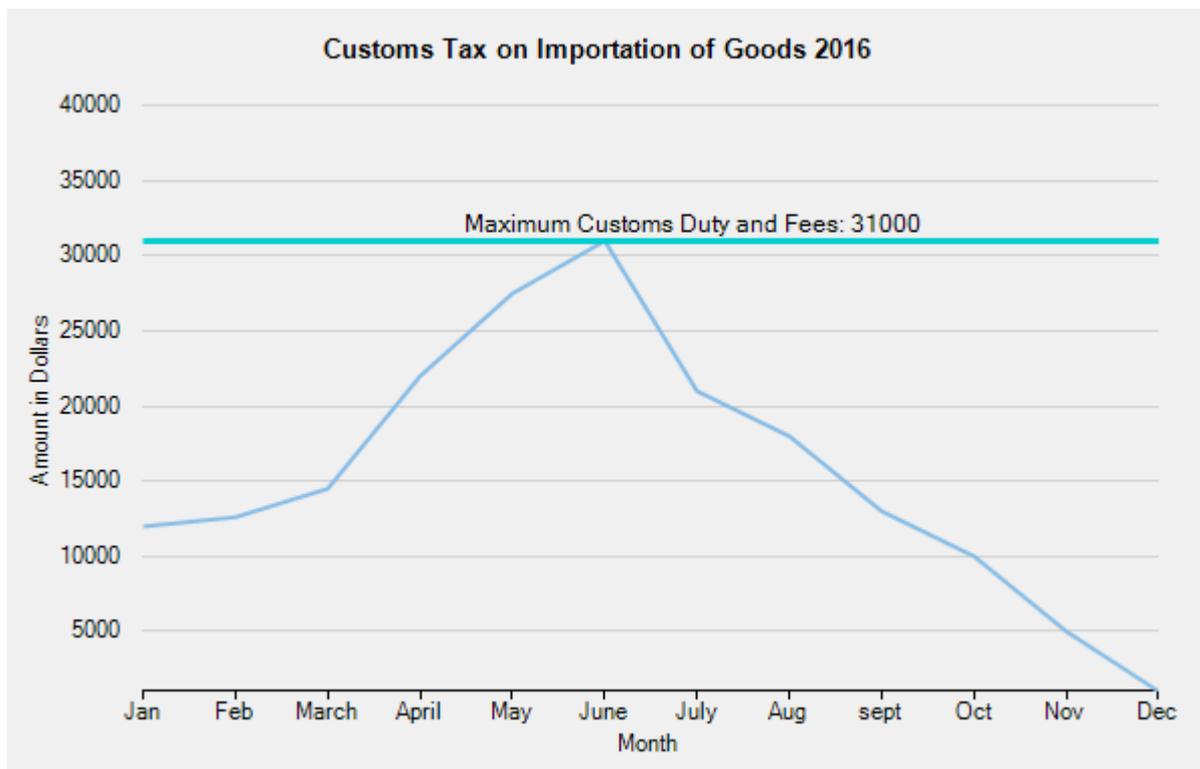
Shape Annotations

Shapes are beneficial for drawing the user's attention at specific areas where important data is highlighted.

FlexChart offers six shape annotations, as follows:

- Circle
- Ellipsis
- Line
- Polygon
- Rectangle
- Square

The following image shows the Line annotation highlighting the maximum customs duty and fees in the year, 2016.



To create any of these specific shapes, create an instance of the shape annotation's class. Set the dimensions of the shape by using the dimension properties from the corresponding class. For example, to create a line annotation, create an instance of the [Line](#) class. Specify the length of the line annotation or rotate it by setting the [Start](#) and the [End](#) properties of the Line class.

For any shape annotation, specify the text by setting the [Content](#) property of the [Shape](#) class, the base class for all shape annotations. In addition, other shapes like triangles and arrows can be created using the Polygon annotation in FlexChart.

The following code uses customs tax data on importation of goods for representing its increment or decrement for the year, 2016. The code shows how to add, position, and customize the Line annotation in FlexChart.

XAML

```
<c1:C1FlexChart.Layers>
  <c1:AnnotationLayer>
    <c1:AnnotationLayer.Annotations>
      <c1:Line Content="Maximum Customs Duty and Fees: 31000"
        Attachment="DataCoordinate"
        Start="0,31000"
        End="12,31000"
        Position="Top">
        <c1:Line.Style>
          <c1:ChartStyle Stroke="DarkTurquoise"
            StrokeThickness="3"/>
        </c1:Line.Style>
        <c1:Line.ContentStyle>
          <c1:ChartStyle Stroke="Black"
            FontFamily="GenericSansSerif"
            FontSize="9"
            FontWeight="Bold">
          </c1:ChartStyle>
        </c1:Line.ContentStyle>
      </c1:Line>
    </c1:AnnotationLayer.Annotations>
  </c1:AnnotationLayer>
</c1:C1FlexChart.Layers>
```

```

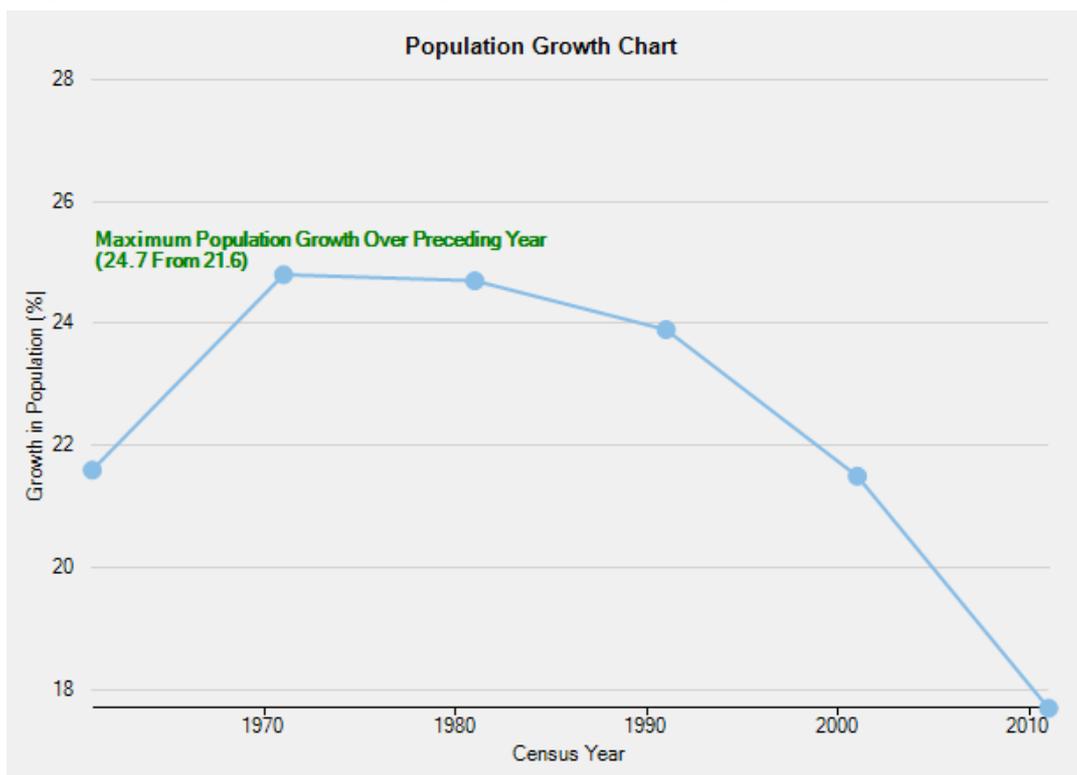
        </c1:AnnotationLayer.Annotations>
    </c1:AnnotationLayer>
</c1:C1FlexChart.Layers>

```

Text Annotation

Text annotations let you add additional information at specific data points to make the data informative. FlexChart lets you add single line as well as multiline text in text annotations.

The following image shows the Text annotation displaying the maximum population growth rate between 1961 and 2011.



To work with text annotation in FlexChart, create an instance of the [Text](#) class and set the [Content](#) property for the instance.

The following code compares population growth rates at specific years in five consecutive decades. The code shows how to add, position, and customize the Text annotation in FlexChart.

XAML

```

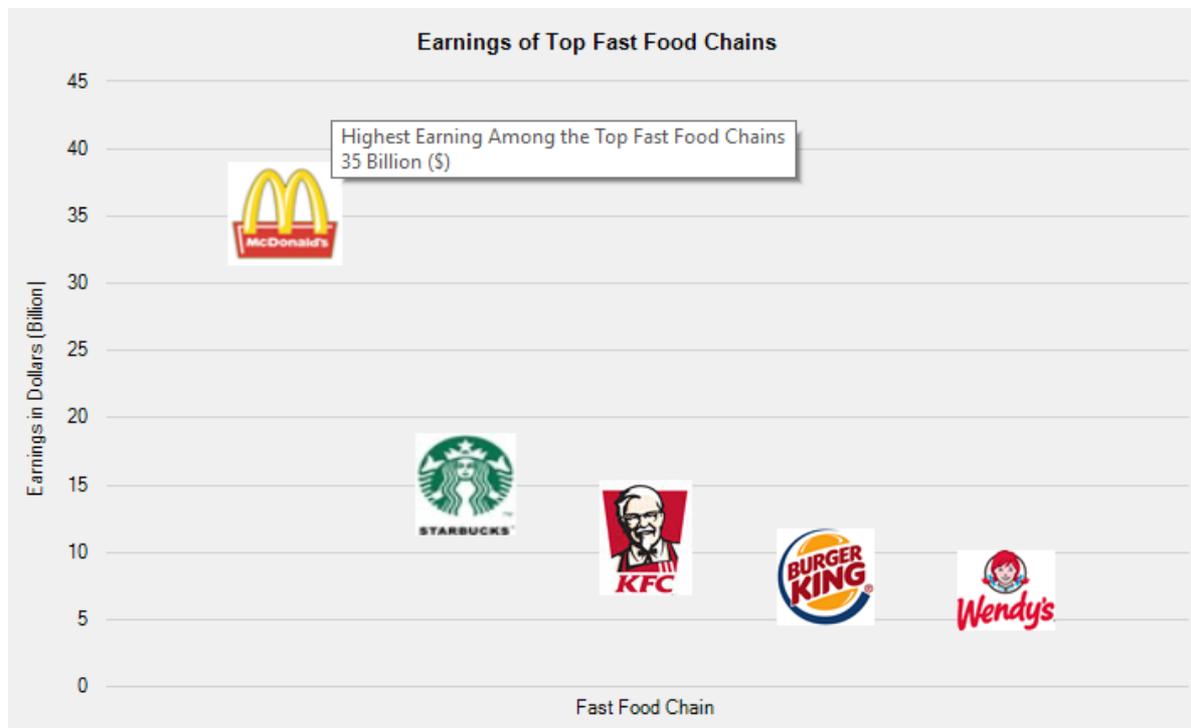
<c1:C1FlexChart.Layers>
    <c1:AnnotationLayer>
        <c1:AnnotationLayer.Annotations>
            <c1:Text Content="Maximum Population Growth Over Preceding Year (24.7 From 21.6)"
                Attachment="DataCoordinate"
                Location="1961,25.15"
                Position="Top">
                <c1:Text.Style>
                    <c1:ChartStyle Stroke="Green"
                        FontFamily="GenericSansSerif"
                        FontSize="8"
                        FontWeight="Bold" />
                </c1:Text.Style>
            </c1:Text>
        </c1:AnnotationLayer.Annotations>
    </c1:AnnotationLayer>
</c1:C1FlexChart.Layers>

```

Image Annotation

Image annotations create visual impact and allow users to quickly interpret the chart data. A great way to communicate informative data through image annotations is by adding tooltips.

The following image displays highest earning of a fast food chain among others using a tooltip with an image annotation.



To use image annotations in FlexChart, create an instance of the [Image](#) class and set an image for the instance by specifying the image path in the [Source](#) property. Scale the image or adjust its size by setting the [Height](#) and the [Width](#) properties. To add tooltips to image annotations, set the [TooltipText](#) property of the [AnnotationBase](#) class for the image annotation instance.

The following code compares earnings of the top fast food chains in United States. The code shows how to add, position, and customize the Image annotation in FlexChart.

XAML

```
<c1:C1FlexChart.Layers>
  <c1:AnnotationLayer>
    <c1:AnnotationLayer.Annotations>
      <c1:Image Source="C:\\Resources\\image1.png"
        Attachment="DataCoordinate"
        Location="1,35"
        Position="Center"
        Width="68"
        Height="62"
        TooltipText="Highest Earning Among the Top Fast Food Chains\n35 Billion ($)">
    </c1:Image>
      <c1:Image Source="C:\\Resources\\image2.png"
        Attachment="DataCoordinate"
        Location="2,15"
        Position="Center"
        Width="60"
        Height="61">
    </c1:Image>
      <c1:Image Source="C:\\Resources\\image3.png"
        Attachment="DataCoordinate"
        Location="3,11"
        Position="Center">
    </c1:Image>
      <c1:Image Source="C:\\Resources\\image4.png"
        Attachment="DataCoordinate">
    </c1:Image>
    </c1:AnnotationLayer.Annotations>
  </c1:AnnotationLayer>
</c1:C1FlexChart.Layers>
```

```

                Location="4,8"
                Position="Center">
            </cl:Image>
            <cl:Image Source="C:\\Resources\\image5.png"
                Attachment="DataCoordinate"
                Location="5,7"
                Position="Center">
            </cl:Image>
        </cl:AnnotationLayer.Annotations>
    </cl:AnnotationLayer>
</cl:C1FlexChart.Layers>

```

Creating Callouts

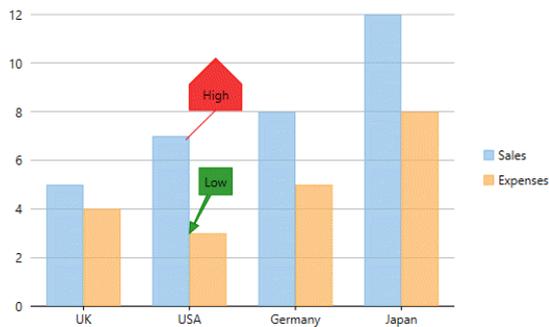
Callouts in charts are used to display the details of a data series or individual data points in an easy-to-read format. Callouts being connected with data points, help better visualize and comprehend chart data by minimizing visual disturbances in the chart area. In FlexChart, [Polygon](#) type annotations can be customized to create chart callouts with line or arrow connectors.

In this example, we are using sample created in the [Quick Start](#) topic to further create an arrow callout and polygon annotation with line connection. This is done with the help of the [Points](#) property and the [ContentCenter](#) property that define the coordinates of polygon vertices and annotation content center respectively.

To create callouts connected with respective data points, follow these steps:

- **Step 1: Create annotation with line connector**
- **Step 2: Create arrow annotation callout**
- **Step 3: Render the annotations in chart**

The following image illustrates polygon annotations connected to data points through arrow and line connectors.



Step 1: Create annotation with line connector

To create a line callout, use the following code.

- **Visual Basic**

```

...
' Create and stylize a line callout annotation of polygon type
Dim lineCallout = New Cl.WPF.Chart.Annotation.Polygon() With {
    .Content = "High",
    .Style = New ChartStyle() With {
        .Fill = New SolidColorBrush(Colors.Red) With {
            .Opacity = 200.0 / 255
        },
        .Stroke = New SolidColorBrush(Colors.Red)
    },
    .Attachment = AnnotationAttachment.DataIndex,
    .SeriesIndex = 0,
    .PointIndex = 1,
    .ContentCenter = New Point(25, -40),
    .Points = New PointCollection(New Point() { New Point(0, 0), New Point(25, -25), New Point(50, -25), New Point(50, -50), New Point(25, -75), New Point(0, -50),
        New Point(0, -25), New Point(25, -25), New Point(0, 0) })
}
...

```

- **C#**

```

...
// Create a line callout annotation of polygon type
var lineCallout = new Cl.WPF.Chart.Annotation.Polygon()
{
    Content = "High",
    //Stylise the line callout annotation of polygon type
    Style = new ChartStyle()
    {
        Fill = new SolidColorBrush(Colors.Red) { Opacity = 200.0 / 255 },
        Stroke = new SolidColorBrush(Colors.Red),
    },
    Attachment = AnnotationAttachment.DataIndex,
    SeriesIndex = 0,
    PointIndex = 1,
    ContentCenter = new Point(25, -40),
    Points = new PointCollection(new Point[] { new Point(0, 0), new Point(25, -25),
new Point(50, -25), new Point(50, -50), new Point(25, -75),
new Point(0, -50), new Point(0, -25), new Point(25, -25), new Point(0, 0) })
};
...

```

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Step 2: Create arrow annotation callout

1. To create an arrow callout use the following code.

- **Visual Basic**

```

Private Sub SetUpAnnotations()
    annotationLayer.Annotations.Clear()
    ' Create an arrow callout annotation of polygon type
    Dim contentCenter = New Point(25, -50)
    ' Stylise the arrow callout annotation

```

```

Dim arrowCallout = New Annotation.Polygon() With {
    .Content = "Low",
    .Style = New ChartStyle() With {
        .Fill = New SolidColorBrush(Colors.Green) With {
            .Opacity = 200.0 / 255
        },
        .Stroke = New SolidColorBrush(Colors.Green)
    },
    .Attachment = AnnotationAttachment.DataIndex,
    .SeriesIndex = 1,
    .PointIndex = 1,
    .ContentCenter = contentCenter,
    .Points = GetPointsForArrowCallout(contentCenter.X, contentCenter.Y, "Low")
}
...
o C#
private void SetUpAnnotations()
{
    annotationLayer.Annotations.Clear();
    // Create an arrow callout annotation of polygon type
    var contentCenter = new Point(25, -50);
    var arrowCallout = new Annotation.Polygon()
    {
        Content = "Low",
        //Stylise the arrow callout annotation
        Style = new ChartStyle()
        {
            Fill = new SolidColorBrush(Colors.Green) { Opacity = 200.0 / 255 },
            Stroke = new SolidColorBrush(Colors.Green),
        },
        Attachment = AnnotationAttachment.DataIndex,
        SeriesIndex = 1,
        PointIndex = 1,
        ContentCenter = contentCenter,
        Points = GetPointsForArrowCallout(contentCenter.X, contentCenter.Y, "Low")
    };
    ...
}

```

2. Define the GetPointsForArrowCallout() method to specify the points for arrow callout.

- To measure the size of content string in arrow callout, and reuse it to calculate and set the dimensions of arrow annotation, use the following code.

Visual Basic

```

Private Function GetPointsForArrowCallout(centerX As Double, centerY As Double, content As String) As PointCollection
    Dim size As Size = _engine.MeasureString(content)
    Return GetPointsForArrowCallout(centerX, centerY, CSng(size.Width) + 10, CSng(size.Height) + 10)
End Function

```

C#

```

PointCollection GetPointsForArrowCallout(double centerX, double centerY, string content)
{
    Size size = _engine.MeasureString(content);
    return GetPointsForArrowCallout(centerX, centerY, (float)size.Width + 10, (float)size.Height + 10);
}

```

- To calculate the dimensions and points for arrow annotations, define the method overload GetPointsForArrowCallout() as shown below.

Visual Basic

```

Private Function GetPointsForArrowCallout(centerX As Double, centerY As Double, rectWidth As Double, rectHeight As Double) As PointCollection
    Dim points = New PointCollection()

    Dim rectLeft As Double = centerX - rectWidth / 2
    Dim rectRight As Double = centerX + rectWidth / 2
    Dim rectTop As Double = centerY - rectHeight / 2
    Dim rectBottom As Double = centerY + rectHeight / 2

    Dim angle As Double = Math.Atan2(-centerY, centerX)
    Dim angleOffset1 As Double = 0.4
    Dim angleOffset2 As Double = 0.04
    Dim arrowHeight As Double = 0.4 * rectHeight
    Dim hypotenuse As Double = arrowHeight / Math.Cos(angleOffset1)
    Dim subHypotenuse As Double = arrowHeight / Math.Cos(angleOffset2)

    Dim isNearBottom As Boolean = Math.Abs(rectTop) > Math.Abs(rectBottom)
    Dim nearHorizontalEdge As Double = If(isNearBottom, rectBottom, rectTop)
    Dim isNearRight As Boolean = Math.Abs(rectLeft) > Math.Abs(rectRight)
    Dim nearVerticalEdge As Double = If(isNearRight, rectRight, rectLeft)
    Dim isHorizontalCrossed As Boolean = Math.Abs(nearHorizontalEdge) > Math.Abs(nearVerticalEdge)
    Dim nearEdge As Double = If(isHorizontalCrossed, nearHorizontalEdge, nearVerticalEdge)

    Dim factor As Integer = If(nearEdge > 0, -1, 1)
    Dim crossedPointOffsetToCenter As Double = If(isHorizontalCrossed, rectHeight / (2 * Math.Tan(angle)) * factor, rectWidth * Math.Tan(angle) * factor / 2)

    ' Arrow points
    points.Add(New Point(0, 0))
    points.Add(New Point(Math.Cos(angle + angleOffset1) * hypotenuse, -Math.Sin(angle + angleOffset1) * hypotenuse))
    points.Add(New Point(Math.Cos(angle + angleOffset2) * subHypotenuse, -Math.Sin(angle + angleOffset2) * subHypotenuse))

    ' Rectangle points
    If isHorizontalCrossed Then
        points.Add(New Point(-nearEdge / Math.Tan(angle + angleOffset2), nearEdge))
        If isNearBottom Then
            points.Add(New Point(rectLeft, rectBottom))
            points.Add(New Point(rectLeft, rectTop))
            points.Add(New Point(rectRight, rectTop))
            points.Add(New Point(rectRight, rectBottom))
        Else
            points.Add(New Point(rectRight, rectTop))
            points.Add(New Point(rectRight, rectBottom))
            points.Add(New Point(rectLeft, rectBottom))
            points.Add(New Point(rectLeft, rectTop))
        End If
    Else
        points.Add(New Point(-nearEdge / Math.Tan(angle - angleOffset2), nearEdge))
        If isNearRight Then
            points.Add(New Point(rectRight, rectBottom))
            points.Add(New Point(rectLeft, rectBottom))
            points.Add(New Point(rectLeft, rectTop))
            points.Add(New Point(rectRight, rectTop))
        Else
            points.Add(New Point(rectLeft, rectTop))
            points.Add(New Point(rectRight, rectTop))
            points.Add(New Point(rectRight, rectBottom))
            points.Add(New Point(rectLeft, rectBottom))
        End If
    End If
    points.Add(New Point(nearEdge, -nearEdge * Math.Tan(angle - angleOffset2)))
End Function

' Arrow points
points.Add(New Point(Math.Cos(angle - angleOffset2) * subHypotenuse, -Math.Sin(angle - angleOffset2) * subHypotenuse))
points.Add(New Point(Math.Cos(angle - angleOffset1) * hypotenuse, -Math.Sin(angle - angleOffset1) * hypotenuse))

```

```

    Return points
End Function
''' C#
PointCollection GetPointsForArrowCallout(double centerX, double centerY, double rectWidth, double rectHeight)
{
    var points = new PointCollection();

    double rectLeft = centerX - rectWidth / 2;
    double rectRight = centerX + rectWidth / 2;
    double rectTop = centerY - rectHeight / 2;
    double rectBottom = centerY + rectHeight / 2;

    double angle = Math.Atan2(-centerY, centerX);
    double angleOffset1 = 0.4;
    double angleOffset2 = 0.04;
    double arrowHeight = 0.4 * rectHeight;
    double hypotenuse = arrowHeight / Math.Cos(angleOffset1);
    double subHypotenuse = arrowHeight / Math.Cos(angleOffset2);

    bool isNearBottom = Math.Abs(rectTop) > Math.Abs(rectBottom);
    double nearHorizontalEdge = isNearBottom ? rectBottom : rectTop;
    bool isNearRight = Math.Abs(rectLeft) > Math.Abs(rectRight);
    double nearVerticalEdge = isNearRight ? rectRight : rectLeft;
    bool isHorizontalCrossed = Math.Abs(nearHorizontalEdge) > Math.Abs(nearVerticalEdge);
    double nearEdge = isHorizontalCrossed ? nearHorizontalEdge : nearVerticalEdge;

    int factor = nearEdge > 0 ? -1 : 1;
    double crossedPointOffsetToCenter = isHorizontalCrossed ?
        rectHeight / (2 * Math.Tan(angle)) * factor : rectWidth * Math.Tan(angle) * factor / 2;

    // Arrow points
    points.Add(new Point(0, 0));
    points.Add(new Point(Math.Cos(angle + angleOffset1) * hypotenuse, -Math.Sin(angle + angleOffset1) * hypotenuse));
    points.Add(new Point(Math.Cos(angle + angleOffset2) * subHypotenuse, -Math.Sin(angle + angleOffset2) * subHypotenuse));

    // Rectangle points
    if (isHorizontalCrossed)
    {
        points.Add(new Point(-nearEdge / Math.Tan(angle + angleOffset2), nearEdge));
        if (isNearBottom)
        {
            points.Add(new Point(rectLeft, rectBottom));
            points.Add(new Point(rectLeft, rectTop));
            points.Add(new Point(rectRight, rectTop));
            points.Add(new Point(rectRight, rectBottom));
        }
        else
        {
            points.Add(new Point(rectRight, rectTop));
            points.Add(new Point(rectRight, rectBottom));
            points.Add(new Point(rectLeft, rectBottom));
            points.Add(new Point(rectLeft, rectTop));
        }
        points.Add(new Point(-nearEdge / Math.Tan(angle - angleOffset2), nearEdge));
    }
    else
    {
        points.Add(new Point(nearEdge, -nearEdge * Math.Tan(angle + angleOffset2)));
        if (isNearRight)
        {
            points.Add(new Point(rectRight, rectBottom));
            points.Add(new Point(rectLeft, rectBottom));
            points.Add(new Point(rectLeft, rectTop));
            points.Add(new Point(rectRight, rectTop));
        }
        else
        {
            points.Add(new Point(rectLeft, rectTop));
            points.Add(new Point(rectRight, rectTop));
            points.Add(new Point(rectRight, rectBottom));
            points.Add(new Point(rectLeft, rectBottom));
        }
        points.Add(new Point(nearEdge, -nearEdge * Math.Tan(angle - angleOffset2)));
    }

    // Arrow points
    points.Add(new Point(Math.Cos(angle - angleOffset2) * subHypotenuse, -Math.Sin(angle - angleOffset2) * subHypotenuse));
    points.Add(new Point(Math.Cos(angle - angleOffset1) * hypotenuse, -Math.Sin(angle - angleOffset1) * hypotenuse));
    return points;
}

```

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Step 3: Render the annotations in chart

To render the annotations in chart, follow these steps:

1. Define global field of render engine.
 - o **Visual Basic**

```
Dim _engine As IRenderEngine
```
 - o **C#**

```
IRenderEngine _engine;
```

2. To create an instance of `AnnotationLayer` use the following code.

XAML	copyCode
<pre><cl:ClFlexChart.Layers> <cl:AnnotationLayer x:Name="annotationLayer" /> </cl:ClFlexChart.Layers></pre>	

3. To add the annotation callouts in `annotationLayer`, use the following code.

- o **Visual Basic**

```
annotationLayer.Annotations.Add(arrowCallout)
annotationLayer.Annotations.Add(lineCallout)
```
- o **C#**

```
annotationLayer.Annotations.Add(arrowCallout);
annotationLayer.Annotations.Add(lineCallout);
```

4. To render the callouts use the following code in the `Rendered` event of chart.

- o **Visual Basic**

```
Private Sub flexChart_Rendered(sender As Object, e As Cl.WPF.Chart.RenderEventArgs) Handles flexChart.Rendered
  If _engine Is Nothing Then
    _engine = e.Engine
```

```
        SetupAnnotations()  
    End If  
End Sub  
o C#  
private void flexChart_Rendered(object sender, Cl.WPF.Chart.RenderEventArgs e)  
{  
    if (_engine == null)  
    {  
        _engine = e.Engine;  
        SetupAnnotations();  
    }  
}
```

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FlexChart Legend

Legends are important aspects of charts. They are key to better understand and interpret information conveyed by charts. FlexChart provides API members to customize the appearance and behavior of the chart legend.

The following topics demonstrate how to customize the FlexChart legend.

- [Legend Position](#)
- [Legend Style](#)
- [Legend Toggle](#)
- [Legend Text Wrap](#)
- [Legend Grouping](#)

Legend Position

You can use the [LegendPosition](#) property to position the Legend relative to the Plot Area, as per your requirements.

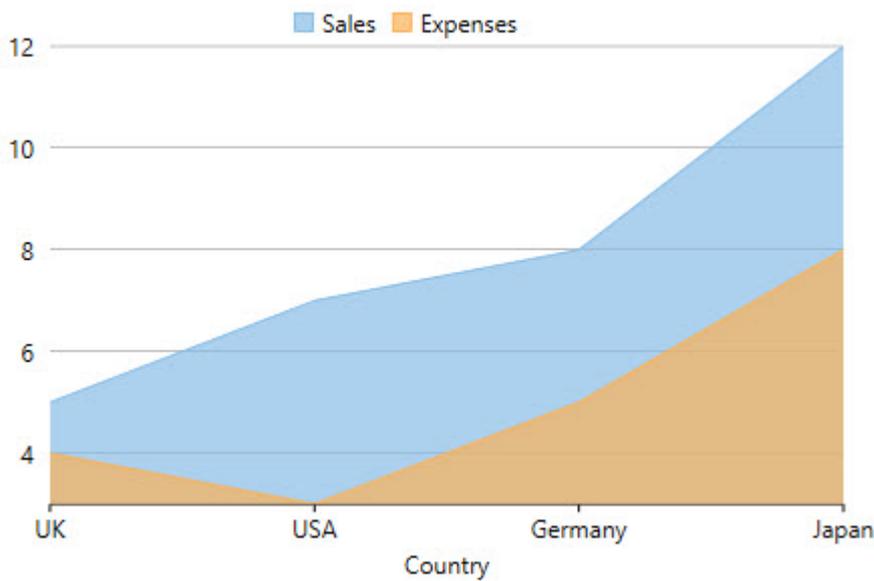
The [LegendPosition](#) property can be set to any of the following values in the [Position](#) enumeration:

Property	Description
Position.Auto	Positions the legend automatically.
Position.Bottom	Positions the legend below the plot.
Position.Left	Positions the legend to the left of the plot.
Position.None	Hides the legend.
Position.Right (default value)	Positions the legend to the right of the plot.
Position.Top	Positions the legend above the plot.

Here is the code snippet for setting the property:

- **C#**

```
flexChart.LegendPosition = Cl.Chart.Position.Top;
```



Legend Style

FlexChart lets you can customize the Legend using the [LegendStyle](#) property.

The table below lists the properties available for customizing the Legend:

Property	Description
Fill	Specifies the fill color.
FontSize	Sets the font of the Legend.
FontStyle	Sets the font of the Legend.
FontWeight	Sets the font of the Legend.
FontFamily	Sets the font of the Legend.
Stroke	Sets the stroke color.
StrokeThickness	Sets the stroke width.

Legend Toggle

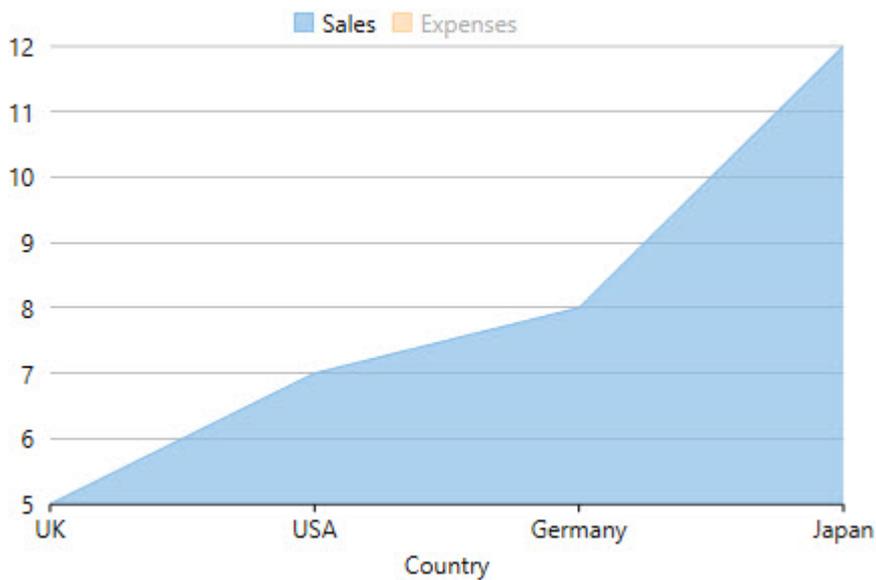
FlexChart allows you to toggle the visibility of a series in the plot, when you click the series item in the legend by means of the [LegendToggle](#) property.

The default value of the **LegendToggle** property is False. To enable series toggling, you need to set the **LegendToggle** property to True.

Here is the code snippet:

- **C#**

```
flexChart.LegendToggle = true;
```



Legend Text Wrap

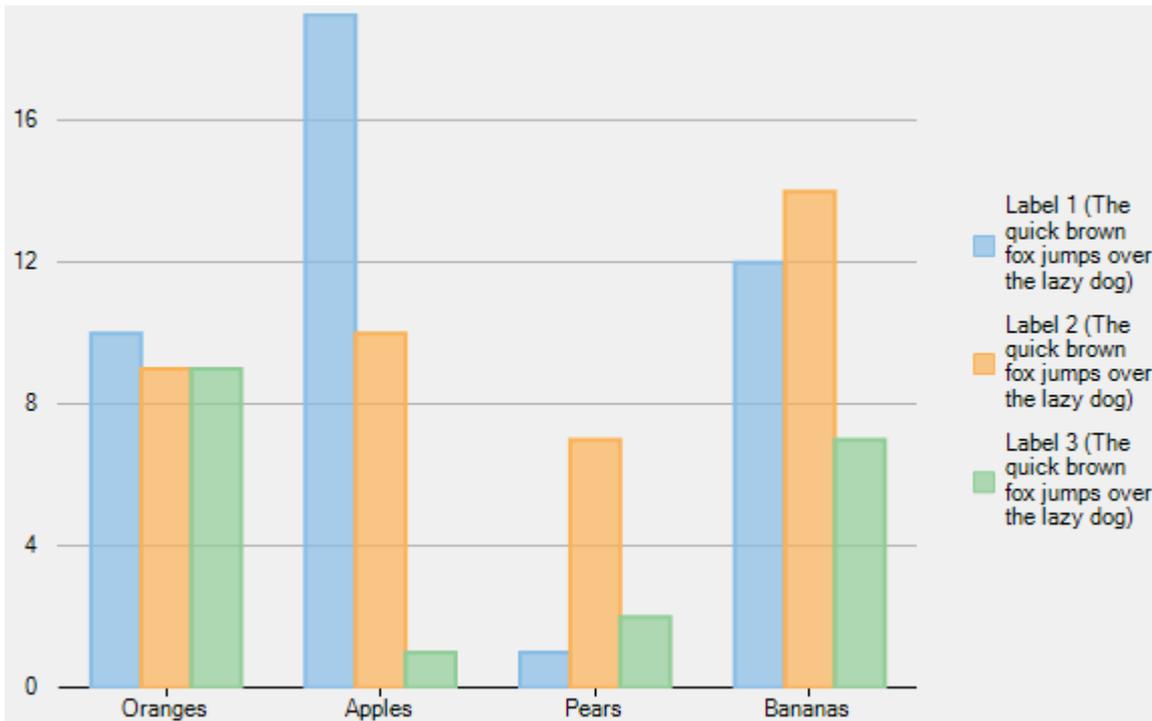
Legend text wrap is a feature to shorten the legend entries by either truncating or wrapping them into multiple lines. This feature gives user the flexibility to effectively utilize chart display area by adjusting the space occupied by legends.

FlexChart provides text wrapping for the legend text that exceeds the value specified in [LegendMaxWidth](#) property, which sets the maximum width of each legend entry. The control enables you to manage legend entries in following two ways:

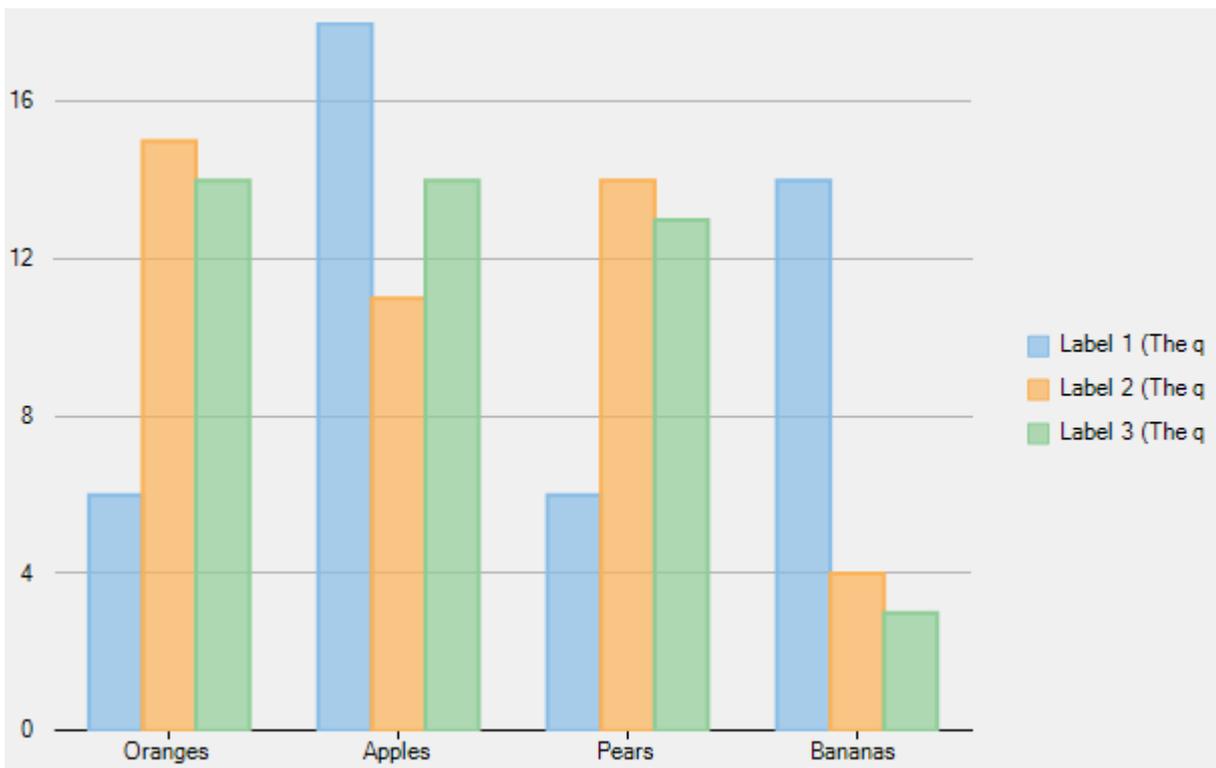
- **Wrap:** This mode allows you to wrap or break the legend entries into multiple lines. Wrapping text is useful when you need the entire legend text to be visible in chart area. To wrap legend texts in FlexChart, set the [LegendTextWrapping](#) property to **Wrap**.
- **Truncate:** This mode allows you to shorten legend entries by cutting off the text from the end. If you want to truncate legend texts in FlexChart, set the [LegendTextWrapping](#) property to **Truncate**.

In FlexChart, the maximum width set for the legend entries affects both text wrapping and text truncating. The greater the value set for maximum legend entry width, the less the legend text is wrapped or truncated.

The following image displays legend texts wrapped into multiple lines.



The following image displays truncated legend texts.



The following code compares fruit data for three consecutive months. The code shows how to implement legend text wrapping in FlexChart.

- **XAML**

```
<Chart:C1FlexChart x:Name="flexChart"
    ItemsSource="{Binding DataContext.Data}"
    BindingX="Fruit"
```

```
LegendTextWrapping="Wrap"
LegendMaxWidth="80"
LegendPosition="Right">
<Chart:Series SeriesName="系列1 (凡例テキストを折り返す)"
Binding="March"/>
<Chart:Series SeriesName="系列2 (凡例テキストを折り返す)"
Binding="April"/>
<Chart:Series SeriesName="系列3 (凡例テキストを折り返す)"
Binding="May"/>
</Chart:C1FlexChart>
```

- **Visual Basic**

```
flexChart.LegendTextWrapping = C1.Chart.TextWrapping.Wrap
flexChart.LegendPosition = C1.Chart.Position.Right
flexChart.LegendMaxWidth = 80
```

- **C#**

```
flexChart.LegendTextWrapping = C1.Chart.TextWrapping.Wrap;
flexChart.LegendPosition = C1.Chart.Position.Right;
flexChart.LegendMaxWidth = 80;
```

Legend Grouping

Legend group, as the name suggests, categorizes the legend entries of chart series based on the data represented by them. So, the multiple chart series with similar data can be better presented as groups in legend. This organizes the legends, which helps in better visualization and analysis of charts depicting multiple series.

FlexChart supports grouping respective legend items of different series in chart through [LegendGroup](#) property exposed by the **Series** class. By setting the **LegendGroup** property to a string value, you can specify the group name to which a particular series or legend item belongs. The series for which value of LegendGroup property is same are grouped together in the legend. However, if the LegendGroup property is not defined for a series then the series becomes a part of 0th group.

The value of **LegendGroup** property gets displayed as group title above the corresponding legend items. However, legend items that belong to the 0th group get displayed without any group title.

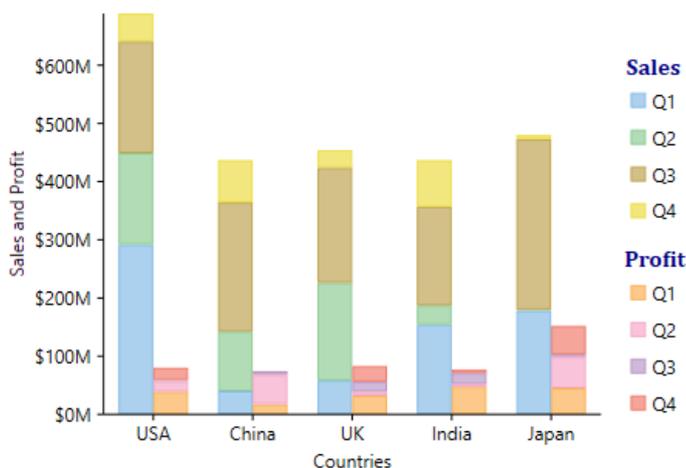
Positioning Legend Groups

The legend groups get positioned automatically with respect to each other depending on legend's position. For example, if the legends are positioned on top or bottom of the chart, then the legend groups are stacked horizontally one alongside the other. Whereas, if the legends are positioned to left or right of the chart, then the legend groups are stacked vertically one above the other.

Styling Legend Groups

FlexChart also supports styling and formatting of the legend group titles. The appearance of legend group titles can be customized by specifying the [LegendGroupHeaderStyle](#) property.

Following image shows a stacked chart that plots country-wise sales and profit of a company for different quarters of a year. Here, the legend items have been grouped together as per the stacked series for quick and easy analysis. The image also shows how legend and the legend groups have got positioned vertically and how appearance of the group titles can be customized.



Following code snippet demonstrates how to group the legends of respective series together by setting the `Series.LegendGroup` property of those series to the desired group name. The code snippet also shows how `GroupHeaderStyle` property can be used to style headers of the legend groups.

- Xaml

```
<Chart:C1FlexChart x:Name="flexChart" ItemsSource="{Binding DataContext.Data}"
    BindingX="Country" Stacking="Stacked">
    <!--Grouping the legend items-->
    <Chart:Series SeriesName="Q1" Binding="SalesQ1" LegendGroup="Sales" StackingGroup="0" />
    <Chart:Series SeriesName="Q1" Binding="ProfitQ1" LegendGroup="Profit" StackingGroup="1" />
    <Chart:Series SeriesName="Q2" Binding="SalesQ2" LegendGroup="Sales" StackingGroup="0" />
    <Chart:Series SeriesName="Q2" Binding="ProfitQ2" LegendGroup="Profit" StackingGroup="1" />
    <Chart:Series SeriesName="Q3" Binding="SalesQ3" LegendGroup="Sales" StackingGroup="0" />
    <Chart:Series SeriesName="Q3" Binding="ProfitQ3" LegendGroup="Profit" StackingGroup="1" />
    <Chart:Series SeriesName="Q4" Binding="SalesQ4" LegendGroup="Sales" StackingGroup="0" />
    <Chart:Series SeriesName="Q4" Binding="ProfitQ4" LegendGroup="Profit" StackingGroup="1" />

    <Chart:C1FlexChart.AxisY>
        <Chart:Axis Format="$0M"
            Labels="True"
            Title="Sales and Profit"/>
    </Chart:C1FlexChart.AxisY>

    <Chart:C1FlexChart.AxisX>
        <Chart:Axis Title="Countries"/>
    </Chart:C1FlexChart.AxisX>

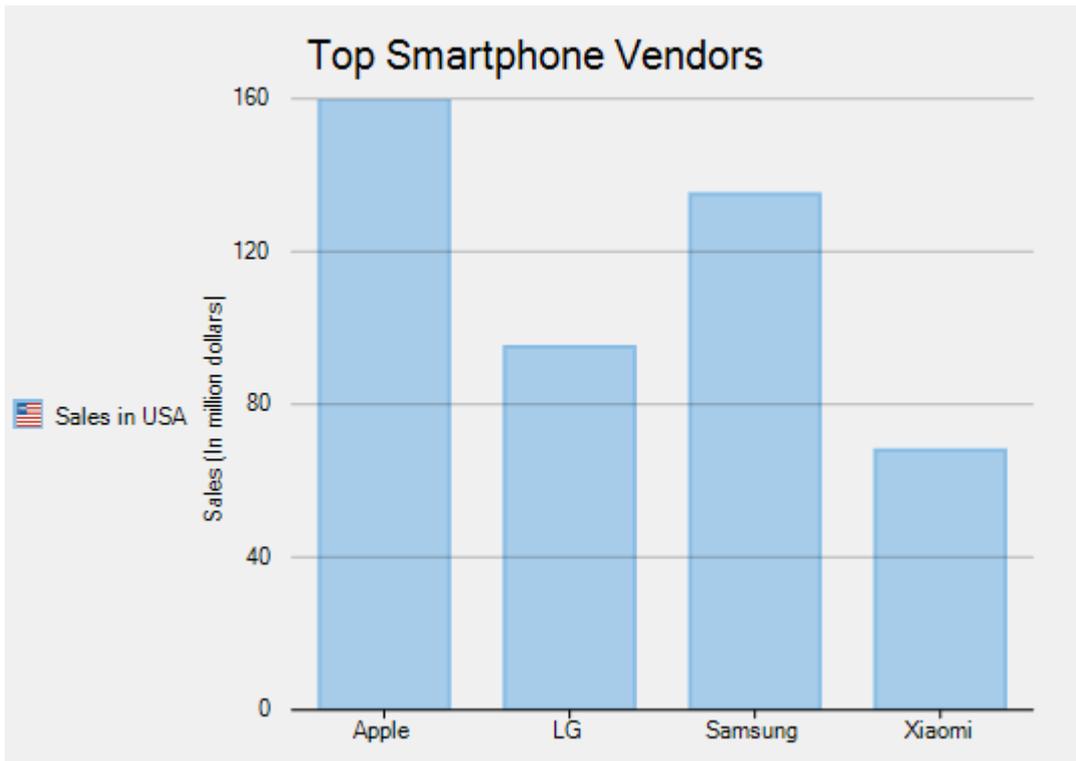
    <!--Styling the legend group headers-->
    <Chart:C1FlexChart.LegendGroupHeaderStyle>
        <Chart:ChartStyle Stroke="DarkBlue" FontFamily="Cambria" FontStyle="Normal" FontSize="15" FontWeight="Bold"/>
    </Chart:C1FlexChart.LegendGroupHeaderStyle>
</Chart:C1FlexChart>
```

Custom Legend Icon

FlexChart allows you to apply custom image or icon for customizing the legend items. To enable FlexChart to display custom legend icon, implement the `GetLegendItemImageSource` method provided by `ISeries` interface. This method primarily accepts two parameters; `index` and `_size`. The `index` parameter refers to the legend item position and `_size` parameter refers to the default legend icon size.

In the example code below, we have implemented the `GetLegendItemImageSource` method to customize the image size and draw a border around it. This method then returns the image object. To apply the custom legend icon add object of the class `SeriesWithPointLegendItems` to the chart `Series` collection.

The image shows how FlexChart appears after using custom legend icon.



Use the following code snippet to implement custom legend icon.

XAML

```
<cl:C1FlexChart x:Name="flexChart" ItemsSource="{Binding SmartPhoneVendors}"
Binding="Sales" BindingX="Name" Header="Top Smartphone Vendors" Grid.Row="1">
    <cl:C1FlexChart.HeaderStyle>
        <cl:ChartStyle FontSize="15" FontFamily="GenericSansSerif"/>
    </cl:C1FlexChart.HeaderStyle>
</cl:C1FlexChart>
```

Code

HTML

```
public partial class LegendItems
{
    static List<SmartPhoneVendor> vendors = new List<SmartPhoneVendor>();
    static Image LegendIconImage = Properties.Resources.usa;
    Series customSeries;
    public LegendItems()
    {
        InitializeComponent();
        vendors = SmartPhoneVendors();

        //Add custom series
        customSeries = new SeriesWithPointLegendItems();
        customSeries.Name = "Sales in USA";
    }
}
```

```

flexChart1.Series.Add(customSeries);
flexChart1.Legend.Position = Position.Left;
flexChart1.ToolTip.Content = "{seriesName}\r\n{value}";

}
public class SeriesWithPointLegendItems : Series, ISeries
{
    object ISeries.GetLegendItemImageSource(int index, ref Cl.Chart._Size
imageSize)
    {
        {
            // Original images/logos are all 50x50 pixels.
            // Here they are replaced with new images where a 5 pixel border
is added

            // around the logos.
            imageSize.Height = 60;
            imageSize.Width = 60;

            SmartPhoneVendor vendor = vendors.ElementAt(index);
            if (LegendIconImage != null && LegendIconImage.Width != 60)
            {
                Bitmap bmp = new Bitmap(60, 60);
                using (SolidBrush sb = new SolidBrush(vendor.Color))
                {
                    using (Graphics g = Graphics.FromImage(bmp))
                    {
                        Rectangle r = new Rectangle(0, 0,
(int)imageSize.Width, (int)imageSize.Height);
                        using (Pen p = new Pen(sb))
                        {
                            g.DrawRectangle(p, r);
                        }
                        g.FillRectangle(sb, r);

                        Point ci = new Point((int)(0.5 * (imageSize.Width -
LegendIconImage.Width)),
                            (int)(0.5 * (imageSize.Height -
LegendIconImage.Height)));
                        g.DrawImage(LegendIconImage, ci);
                    }
                }
                LegendIconImage = bmp;
            }
            // Keep the original size of the logo bitmaps, but reduce their
size if the chart window
            // is too small to display the bitmaps properly.
            Size bounds = this.Chart.ClientSize;
            double divadj = (bounds.Height > 800) ? 12 : 25;
            double fracHeight = bounds.Height / divadj;
            if (fracHeight < imageSize.Height)
                imageSize.Width = imageSize.Height = fracHeight;
        }
    }
}

```

```
        return LegendIconImage;
    }
}
}
private static List<SmartPhoneVendor> SmartPhoneVendors()
{
    vendors.Add(new SmartPhoneVendor()
    {
        Name = "Apple",
        Color = Color.FromArgb(136, 189, 230),
        Sales = 350,
    });
    vendors.Add(new SmartPhoneVendor()
    {
        Name = "LG",
        Color = Color.FromArgb(251, 178, 88),
        Sales = 120,
    });
    vendors.Add(new SmartPhoneVendor()
    {
        Name = "Samsung",
        Color = Color.FromArgb(188, 153, 199),
        Sales = 280,
    });
    vendors.Add(new SmartPhoneVendor()
    {
        Name = "Xiaomi",
        Color = Color.FromArgb(240, 126, 110),
        Sales = 68,
    });

    return vendors;
}
public class SmartPhoneVendor
{
    public string Name { get; set; }
    public double Sales { get; set; }
    public Color Color { get; set; }
}
}
```

FlexChart Series

A series is a set of data or more specifically related data points that are plotted on a chart.

In FlexChart, a series is represented by the [Series](#) object, which provides the entire data plotted on the chart. And the [Flexchart.Series](#) collection comprises all data series ([Series](#) objects) in the control.

You can assign any of the following properties to a series in FlexChart:

- An X-axis ([Series.AxisX](#))
- A Y-axis ([Series.AxisY](#))
- A property containing Y values for the series ([Series.Binding](#))
- A property containing X values for the series ([Series.BindingX](#))
- A chart type ([Series.ChartType](#))
- A collection of objects containing the series data ([Series.ItemsSource](#))
- A name ([Series.SeriesName](#))

A series consists of a collection of data points that you can customize using the following properties:

- To set the shape of the marker to be used for each data point in the series ([Series.SymbolMarker](#))
- To set the size of the symbol used to render the series ([Series.SymbolSize](#))
- To set the symbol style used in the data points in the series (**Series.SymbolStyle**)

Once you have set these properties in a series, the same settings are inherited by all data points.

Here are the links to key information regarding the Series object in FlexChart:

- [Creating and Adding a Series](#)
- [Adding Data to Series](#)
- [Emphasizing Different Types of Data](#)
- [Customizing Series](#)

Creating and Adding Series

By default, **FlexChart for WPF** displays three series containing dummy data at design-time as well as run-time. However, you can provide your own data and display the series with that data. For information on how to provide data to FlexChart, refer to [Providing Data](#).

FlexChart enables you to create and add a series at design-time as well as run-time. So if you want to add more series, you can do so by performing any of the methods mentioned below.

At Design-Time

Perform the following steps to create and add a series in FlexChart at design-time:

1. In the **Properties** window, click the **Miscellaneous** drop down.
2. Navigate to the **Series** field.
3. Click the **Ellipsis** button next to the **Series** field.

Series Collection Editor: Series appears.



By default, FlexChart contains three series added in the Series collection. Thus, **Series Collection Editor** appears with the pre-added series.

4. Click the **Add** button to add an additional series in the Series collection.
5. Repeat step 3 to add the required number of series.
6. Click the **OK** button.

At Run-Time

At run-time, you first need to create a series by using the **Series** object. And then, you need to add the series to the FlexChart Series collection using the **Add** method in the **FlexChart.Series** collection property.

The following code shows how to create and add a series in FlexChart at run-time.

XAML

```
<c1:Series AxisX="{x:Null}"
  AxisY="{x:Null}"
  Binding="Y"
  BindingX="X"
  Chart="{x:Null}"
  SeriesName="Series 4">
  <c1:Series.ItemsSource>
    <PointCollection>1,16 2,19 3,15 4,22 5,18</PointCollection>
  </c1:Series.ItemsSource>
</c1:Series>
```

Code

C#

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```
C1.WPF.Chart.Series series4 = new C1.WPF.Chart.Series();
flexChart.Series.Add(series4);
```

Adding Data to Series

When it comes to adding data to series, FlexChart provides a powerful way through binding. You can bind series in FlexChart with multiple data sources, which enables you to combine data from multiple data sources. To plot data from multiple data sources, you need to use the [Series.ItemsSource](#) property.

See the following code for reference. Notice that the following code user the **DataCreator.cs** class to generate data.

XAML

```
<c1:C1FlexChart x:Name="flexChart"
  ItemsSource="{Binding DataContext.Data}"
  ChartType="Scatter">
  <c1:C1FlexChart.Series>
    <c1:Series x:Name="Function1"
      SeriesName="Function1"
      BindingX ="XVals"
      Binding="YVals"/>
    <c1:Series x:Name="Function2"
      SeriesName="Function2"
      BindingX ="XVals"
      Binding="YVals"/>
  </c1:C1FlexChart.Series>
</c1:C1FlexChart>
```

Code

DataCreator.cs

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```
class DataCreator
{
    public delegate double MathActionDouble(double num);
```

```
public delegate double MathActionInt(int num);

public static List<DataPoint> Create(MathActionDouble function, double from,
double to, double step)
{
    var result = new List<DataPoint>();
    var count = (to - from) / step;

    for (double r = from; r < to; r += step)
    {
        result.Add(new DataPoint()
        {
            XVals = r,
            YVals = function(r)
        });
    }
    return result;
}

public static List<DataPoint> Create(MathActionInt function, int from, int to,
int step)
{
    var result = new List<DataPoint>();
    var count = (to - from) / step;

    for (int r = from; r < to; r += step)
    {
        result.Add(new DataPoint()
        {
            XVals = r,
            YVals = function(r)
        });
    }
    return result;
}

public static List<DataPoint> Create(MathActionDouble functionX, MathActionDouble
functionY, int ptsCount)
{
    var result = new List<DataPoint>();

    for (double i = 0; i < ptsCount; i++)
    {
        result.Add(new DataPoint()
        {
            XVals = functionX(i),
            YVals = functionY(i)
        });
    }
    return result;
}
```

```
}  
  
public class DataPoint  
{  
    public double XVals { get; set; }  
    public double YVals { get; set; }  
}
```

MainWindow.xaml.cs

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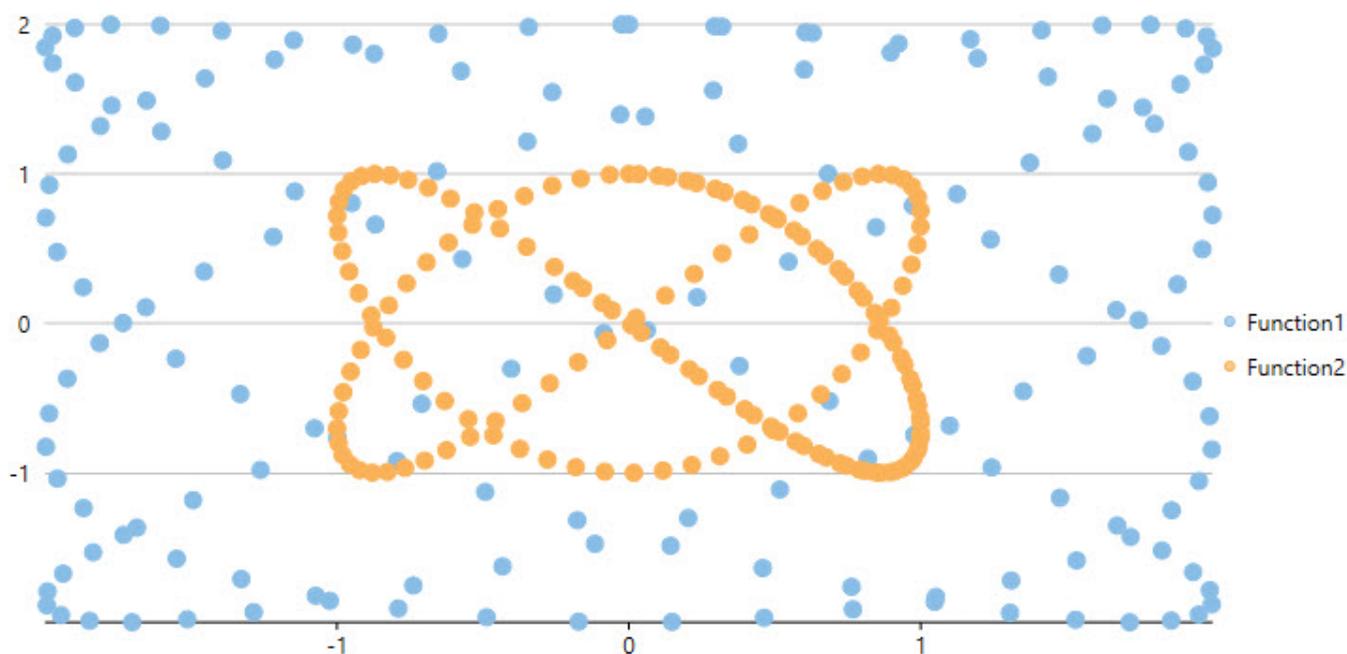
```
public partial class MainWindow : Window  
{  
  
    List<DataPoint> _function1Source;  
    List<DataPoint> _function2Source;  
  
    public MainWindow()  
    {  
        this.InitializeComponent();  
        this.Loaded += Form_Loaded;  
    }  
  
    private void Form_Loaded(object sender, EventArgs e)  
    {  
        SetupChart();  
    }  
  
    void SetupChart()  
    {  
        flexChart.BeginUpdate();  
        this.Function1.ItemsSource = Function1Source;  
        this.Function2.ItemsSource = Function2Source;  
        flexChart.EndUpdate();  
    }  
  
    public List<DataPoint> Function1Source  
    {  
        get  
        {  
            if (_function1Source == null)  
            {  
                _function1Source = DataCreator.Create(x => 2 * Math.Sin(0.16 * x), y  
=> 2 * Math.Cos(0.12 * y), 160);  
            }  
  
            return _function1Source;  
        }  
    }  
  
    public List<DataPoint> Function2Source  
    {
```

```

    get
    {
        if (_function2Source == null)
        {
            _function2Source = DataCreator.Create(x => Math.Sin(0.1 * x), y =>
Math.Cos(0.15 * y), 160);
        }

        return _function2Source;
    }
}

```



Emphasizing Different Types of Data

In a chart, there is often a common but crucial requirement to emphasize different types of data. Emphasizing or distinguishing different types of data is vital because chart data that is distinguishable is easier to interpret and understand.

FlexChart caters to this requirement by allowing you to combine two or more chart types in a single chart. For instance, you can combine the LineSymbols Chart with the Column Chart to make the chart data easier to interpret. You can use the [ChartType](#) property to specify the chart type at the series level for each series, thereby creating charts with multiple chart types.

The following code combines two chart types in a single chart.

XAML

```

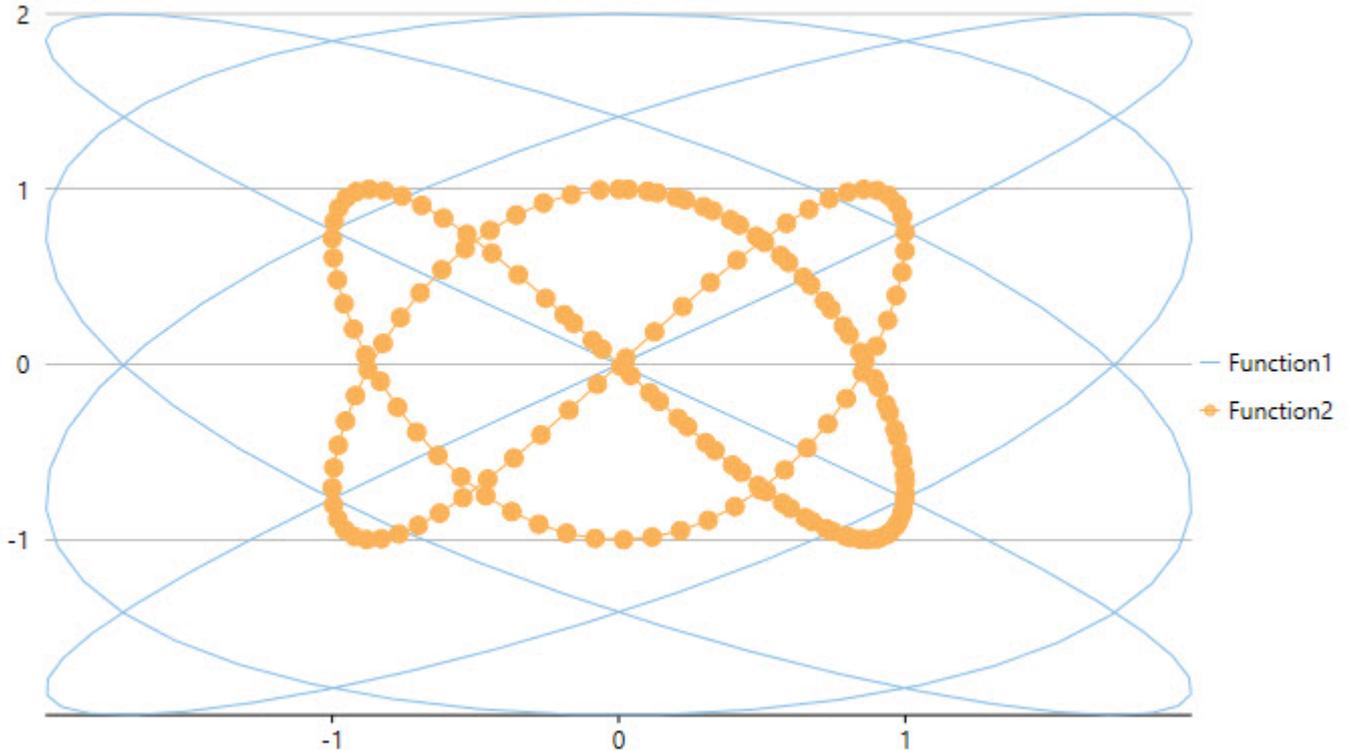
<c1:C1FlexChart.Series>
  <c1:Series ChartType="Line"
    x:Name="Function1"
    SeriesName="Function1"
    BindingX ="XVals"

```

```

        Binding="YVals"/>
<c1:Series ChartType="LineSymbols"
  x:Name="Function2"
  SeriesName="Function2"
  BindingX ="XVals"
  Binding="YVals"/>
</c1:C1FlexChart.Series>

```



Customizing Series

Once the series have been displayed in the chart, you can customize the displayed series to manage the same more efficiently.

FlexChart allows you to customize series by showing or hiding a series either in the Plot Area or the Legend or both. If there are hundreds of series to be displayed in your chart, you would certainly need to manage the same due to the space limitation of the chart.

In FlexChart, you can manage series by using the [Visibility](#) property of a series. The Visibility property accepts values of the [SeriesVisibility](#) enumerated type.

You can set the property to the following different values to show or hide a series:

Value	Description
SeriesVisibility.Visible	The series is displayed in the Plot as well as the Legend.
SeriesVisibility.Plot	The series is displayed in the Plot, but hidden in the Legend.
SeriesVisibility.Legend	The series is displayed in the Legend, but hidden in the Plot.
SeriesVisibility.Hidden	The series is hidden in the Plot as well as the Legend.

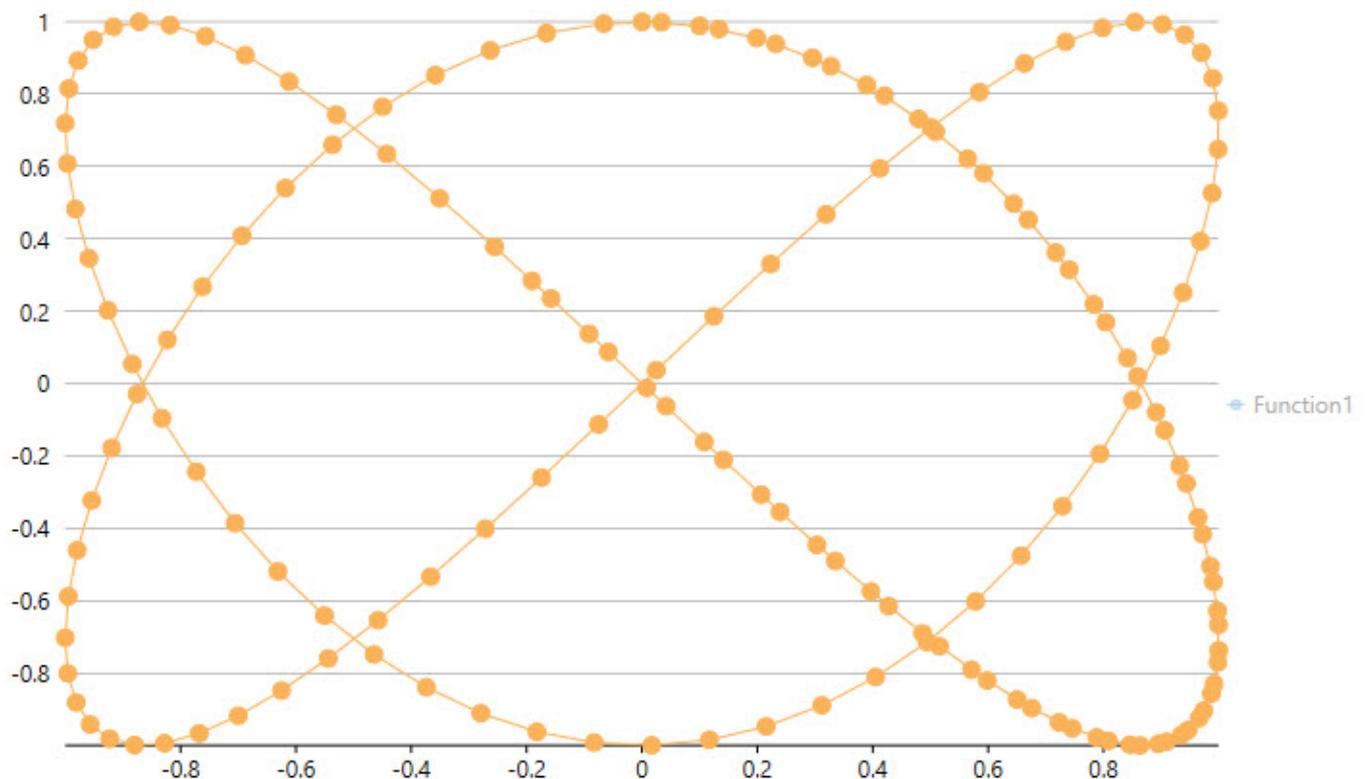
Here's the code snippet for reference:

XAML

```

<c1:C1FlexChart.Series>
  <c1:Series Visibility="Legend"
    x:Name="Function1"
    SeriesName="Function1"
    BindingX ="XVals"
    Binding="YVals"/>
  <c1:Series Visibility="Plot"
    x:Name="Function2"
    SeriesName="Function2"
    BindingX ="XVals"
    Binding="YVals"/>
</c1:C1FlexChart.Series>

```



In addition, you can enhance the visual appeal of the series by setting different palettes for FlexChart. For more details, refer to [Setting FlexChart Palette](#).

You can also work with different symbol styles to render visually appealing series in the chart. For more information, refer to [Symbol styles for Series](#).

Box-and-Whisker

Box-and-Whisker series allows you to display groups of data into the range, quartiles, and median. The name itself suggests that the series depicts data through boxes and whiskers.

A box is the range showing the quartiles (lower and upper) and the median. Whiskers, on the other hand, are the lines extending vertically from the boxes. These lines indicate the data variability outside the lower and the upper quartiles. In addition, points that lie outside of these lines are known as outliers.

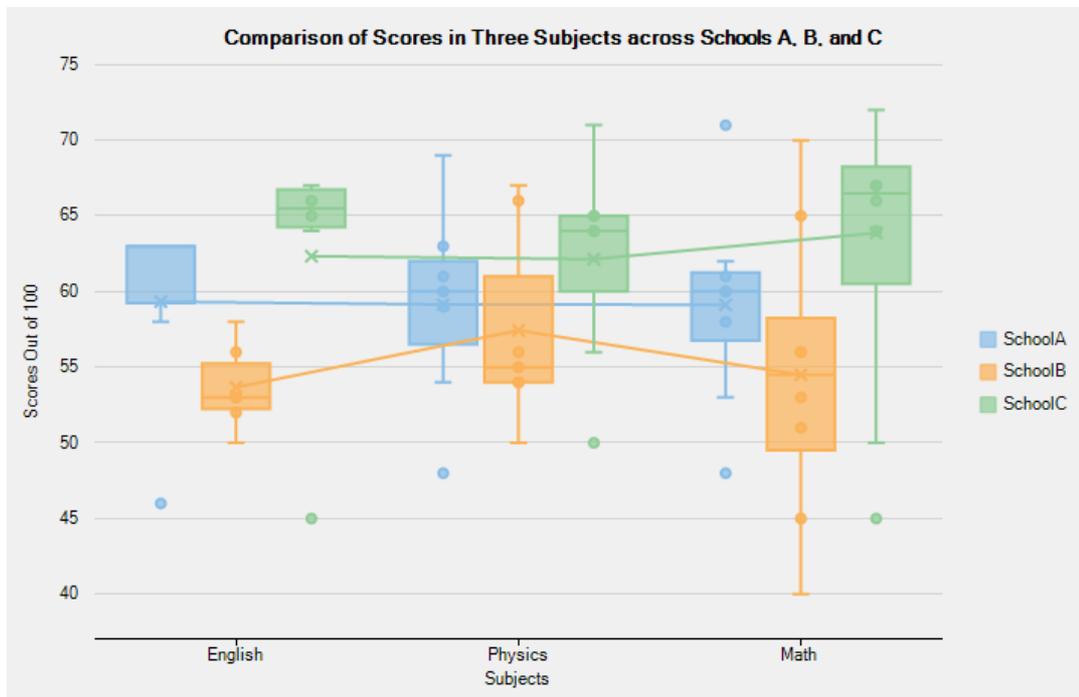
Box-and-Whisker series is ideal for visualizing statistical distribution or examining multiple sets of data graphically.

Box-and-Whisker series in FlexChart allows working with different features, as follows:

- **Quartile:** Specify whether you would like to calculate quartiles by including or excluding median. To specify quartile calculation, set the [QuartileCalculation](#) property from the [QuartileCalculation](#) enumeration.
- **Inner points:** Indicate whether to show or hide inner points by setting the [ShowInnerPoints](#) property.

- **Outliers:** Indicate whether to show outliers by setting the [ShowOutliers](#) property.
- **Mean line:** Display the mean line by setting the [ShowMeanLine](#) property.
- **Mean marks:** Show mean marks by setting the [ShowMeanMarks](#) property.

The following image displays quartiles, median, and whiskers for the data that compares scores of students in three subjects across different schools.



The following code uses data regarding scores obtained by students of schools A, B, and C in three subjects. The code illustrates how to implement Box-and-Whisker series in FlexChart.

- **DataCreator.vb**

```

Class DataCreator
    Public Shared Function CreateSchoolScoreData() As List(Of ClassScore)
        Dim result = New List(Of ClassScore)()
        result.Add(New ClassScore() With {
            .ClassName = "English",
            .SchoolA = 46,
            .SchoolB = 53,
            .SchoolC = 66
        })
        result.Add(New ClassScore() With {
            .ClassName = "Physics",
            .SchoolA = 61,
            .SchoolB = 55,
            .SchoolC = 65
        })
        result.Add(New ClassScore() With {
            .ClassName = "English",
            .SchoolA = 58,
            .SchoolB = 56,
            .SchoolC = 67
        })
        result.Add(New ClassScore() With {
            .ClassName = "Math",
            .SchoolA = 58,
            .SchoolB = 51,
            .SchoolC = 64
        })
        result.Add(New ClassScore() With {
            .ClassName = "English",
            .SchoolA = 63,
            .SchoolB = 53,
            .SchoolC = 45
        })
        result.Add(New ClassScore() With {
            .ClassName = "English",
            .SchoolA = 63,

```

```
        .SchoolB = 50,
        .SchoolC = 65
    })
    result.Add(New ClassScore() With {
        .ClassName = "Math",
        .SchoolA = 60,
        .SchoolB = 45,
        .SchoolC = 67
    })
    result.Add(New ClassScore() With {
        .ClassName = "Math",
        .SchoolA = 62,
        .SchoolB = 53,
        .SchoolC = 66
    })
    result.Add(New ClassScore() With {
        .ClassName = "Physics",
        .SchoolA = 63,
        .SchoolB = 54,
        .SchoolC = 64
    })
    result.Add(New ClassScore() With {
        .ClassName = "English",
        .SchoolA = 63,
        .SchoolB = 52,
        .SchoolC = 67
    })
    result.Add(New ClassScore() With {
        .ClassName = "Physics",
        .SchoolA = 69,
        .SchoolB = 66,
        .SchoolC = 71
    })
    result.Add(New ClassScore() With {
        .ClassName = "Physics",
        .SchoolA = 48,
        .SchoolB = 67,
        .SchoolC = 50
    })
    result.Add(New ClassScore() With {
        .ClassName = "Physics",
        .SchoolA = 54,
        .SchoolB = 50,
        .SchoolC = 56
    })
    result.Add(New ClassScore() With {
        .ClassName = "Physics",
        .SchoolA = 60,
        .SchoolB = 56,
        .SchoolC = 64
    })
    result.Add(New ClassScore() With {
        .ClassName = "Math",
        .SchoolA = 71,
        .SchoolB = 65,
        .SchoolC = 50
    })
    result.Add(New ClassScore() With {
        .ClassName = "Math",
        .SchoolA = 48,
        .SchoolB = 70,
        .SchoolC = 72
    })
    result.Add(New ClassScore() With {
        .ClassName = "Math",
        .SchoolA = 53,
        .SchoolB = 40,
        .SchoolC = 80
    })
    result.Add(New ClassScore() With {
        .ClassName = "Math",
        .SchoolA = 60,
        .SchoolB = 56,
        .SchoolC = 67
    })
    result.Add(New ClassScore() With {
        .ClassName = "Math",
        .SchoolA = 61,
```

```

        .SchoolB = 56,
        .SchoolC = 45
    })
    result.Add(New ClassScore() With {
        .ClassName = "English",
        .SchoolA = 63,
        .SchoolB = 58,
        .SchoolC = 64
    })
    result.Add(New ClassScore() With {
        .ClassName = "Physics",
        .SchoolA = 59,
        .SchoolB = 54,
        .SchoolC = 65
    })

    Return result
End Function
End Class

Public Class ClassScore
    Public Property ClassName() As String
        Get
            Return m_ClassName
        End Get
        Set
            m_ClassName = Value
        End Set
    End Property
    Private m_ClassName As String
    Public Property SchoolA() As Double
        Get
            Return m_SchoolA
        End Get
        Set
            m_SchoolA = Value
        End Set
    End Property
    Private m_SchoolA As Double
    Public Property SchoolB() As Double
        Get
            Return m_SchoolB
        End Get
        Set
            m_SchoolB = Value
        End Set
    End Property
    Private m_SchoolB As Double
    Public Property SchoolC() As Double
        Get
            Return m_SchoolC
        End Get
        Set
            m_SchoolC = Value
        End Set
    End Property
    Private m_SchoolC As Double
End Class

```

- **DataCreator.cs**

```

namespace BoxWhiskers
{
    class DataCreator
    {
        public static List<ClassScore> CreateSchoolScoreData()
        {
            var result = new List<ClassScore>();
            result.Add(new ClassScore() { ClassName = "English", SchoolA = 46, SchoolB = 53, SchoolC = 66 });
            result.Add(new ClassScore() { ClassName = "Physics", SchoolA = 61, SchoolB = 55, SchoolC = 65 });
            result.Add(new ClassScore() { ClassName = "English", SchoolA = 58, SchoolB = 56, SchoolC = 67 });
            result.Add(new ClassScore() { ClassName = "Math", SchoolA = 58, SchoolB = 51, SchoolC = 64 });
            result.Add(new ClassScore() { ClassName = "English", SchoolA = 63, SchoolB = 53, SchoolC = 45 });
            result.Add(new ClassScore() { ClassName = "English", SchoolA = 63, SchoolB = 50, SchoolC = 65 });
            result.Add(new ClassScore() { ClassName = "Math", SchoolA = 60, SchoolB = 45, SchoolC = 67 });
            result.Add(new ClassScore() { ClassName = "Math", SchoolA = 62, SchoolB = 53, SchoolC = 66 });
            result.Add(new ClassScore() { ClassName = "Physics", SchoolA = 63, SchoolB = 54, SchoolC = 64 });
            result.Add(new ClassScore() { ClassName = "English", SchoolA = 63, SchoolB = 52, SchoolC = 67 });
        }
    }
}

```

```

        result.Add(new ClassScore() { ClassName = "Physics", SchoolA = 69, SchoolB = 66, SchoolC = 71 });
        result.Add(new ClassScore() { ClassName = "Physics", SchoolA = 48, SchoolB = 67, SchoolC = 50 });
        result.Add(new ClassScore() { ClassName = "Physics", SchoolA = 54, SchoolB = 50, SchoolC = 56 });
        result.Add(new ClassScore() { ClassName = "Physics", SchoolA = 60, SchoolB = 56, SchoolC = 64 });
        result.Add(new ClassScore() { ClassName = "Math", SchoolA = 71, SchoolB = 65, SchoolC = 50 });
        result.Add(new ClassScore() { ClassName = "Math", SchoolA = 48, SchoolB = 70, SchoolC = 72 });
        result.Add(new ClassScore() { ClassName = "Math", SchoolA = 53, SchoolB = 40, SchoolC = 80 });
        result.Add(new ClassScore() { ClassName = "Math", SchoolA = 60, SchoolB = 56, SchoolC = 67 });
        result.Add(new ClassScore() { ClassName = "Math", SchoolA = 61, SchoolB = 56, SchoolC = 45 });
        result.Add(new ClassScore() { ClassName = "English", SchoolA = 63, SchoolB = 58, SchoolC = 64 });
        result.Add(new ClassScore() { ClassName = "Physics", SchoolA = 59, SchoolB = 54, SchoolC = 65 });

        return result;
    }
}

public class ClassScore
{
    public string ClassName { get; set; }
    public double SchoolA { get; set; }
    public double SchoolB { get; set; }
    public double SchoolC { get; set; }
}

```

- Visual Basic

```

Partial Public Class MainWindow
    Private _data As List(Of ClassScore) = Nothing
    Public Sub New()
        InitializeComponent()

        ' show mean lines
        boxWhiskerA.ShowMeanLine = True
        boxWhiskerB.ShowMeanLine = True
        boxWhiskerC.ShowMeanLine = True

        ' show inner points
        boxWhiskerA.ShowInnerPoints = True
        boxWhiskerB.ShowInnerPoints = True
        boxWhiskerC.ShowInnerPoints = True

        ' show outliers
        boxWhiskerA.ShowOutliers = True
        boxWhiskerB.ShowOutliers = True
        boxWhiskerC.ShowOutliers = True

        ' show mean marks
        boxWhiskerA.ShowMeanMarks = True
        boxWhiskerB.ShowMeanMarks = True
        boxWhiskerC.ShowMeanMarks = True

        ' specify quartile calculation
        boxWhiskerA.QuartileCalculation = QuartileCalculation.InclusiveMedian
        boxWhiskerB.QuartileCalculation = QuartileCalculation.InclusiveMedian
        boxWhiskerC.QuartileCalculation = QuartileCalculation.InclusiveMedian
    End Sub
End Class

Public ReadOnly Property Data() As List(Of ClassScore)
    Get
        If _data Is Nothing Then
            _data = DataCreator.CreateSchoolScoreData()
        End If

        Return _data
    End Get
End Property

```

- C#

```

namespace BoxWhiskers
{
    public partial class BoxWhisker : UserControl
    {
        private List<ClassScore> _data = null;
        public BoxWhisker()
        {

```

```

InitializeComponent();

// show mean lines
boxWhiskerA.ShowMeanLine = true;
boxWhiskerB.ShowMeanLine = true;
boxWhiskerC.ShowMeanLine = true;

// show inner points
boxWhiskerA.ShowInnerPoints = true;
boxWhiskerB.ShowInnerPoints = true;
boxWhiskerC.ShowInnerPoints = true;

// show outliers
boxWhiskerA.ShowOutliers = true;
boxWhiskerB.ShowOutliers = true;
boxWhiskerC.ShowOutliers = true;

// show mean marks
boxWhiskerA.ShowMeanMarks = true;
boxWhiskerB.ShowMeanMarks = true;
boxWhiskerC.ShowMeanMarks = true;

// specify quartile calculation
boxWhiskerA.QuartileCalculation = QuartileCalculation.InclusiveMedian;
boxWhiskerB.QuartileCalculation = QuartileCalculation.InclusiveMedian;
boxWhiskerC.QuartileCalculation = QuartileCalculation.InclusiveMedian;
}
public List<ClassScore> Data
{
    get
    {
        if (_data == null)
        {
            _data = DataCreator.CreateSchoolScoreData();
        }

        return _data;
    }
}
}
}
}

```

Error Bar

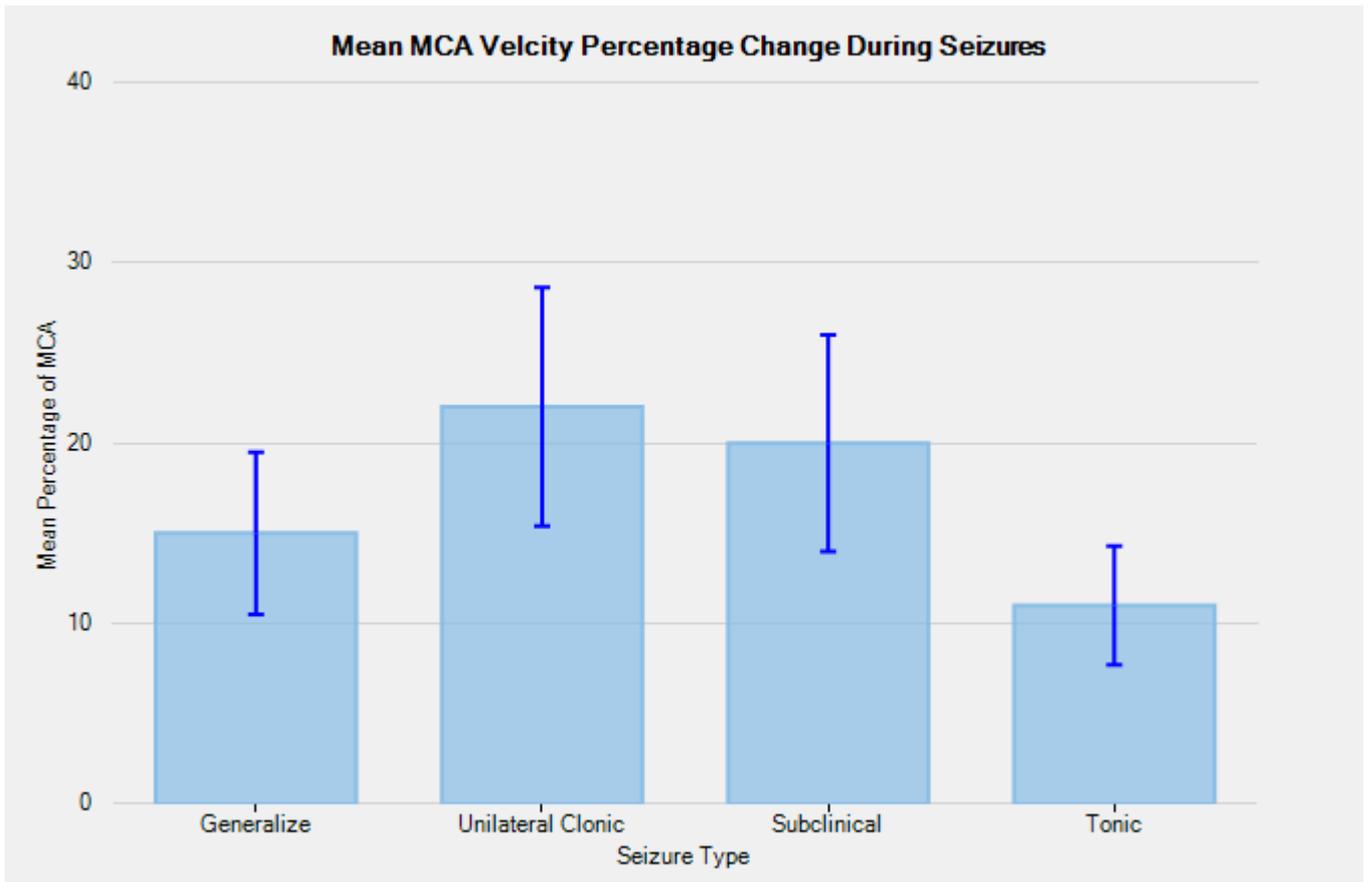
Error Bar series allows you to indicate variability of data or uncertainty in values. It enables you to display standard deviations and a range of error in variable data using error bars. Generally, results of scientific studies or experimental sciences use error bars in charts to depict variations in data from original values.

FlexChart lets you use Error Bar series in different chart types including Area, Column, Line, LineSymbols, Scatter, Spline, SplineArea, and SplineSymbols.

Error Bar series in FlexChart offers several features, as follows:

- **Error amount:** Set up error bars on all data points using different ways, such as a fixed value, percentage, standard error, or standard deviation. In addition, it is possible to set a custom value to show a precise error amount, if required. To display error bars in any of these ways, set the [ErrorAmount](#) property from the [ErrorAmount](#) enumeration.
- **Direction:** Show error bars in the Plus, the Minus, or even both directions by setting the [Direction](#) property from the [ErrorBarDirection](#) enumeration.
- **End style:** Display error bars with or without caps by setting the [EndStyle](#) property from the [ErrorBarEndStyle](#) enumeration.
- **Bar style:** Customize the appearance of error bars using the [ErrorBarStyle](#) property.

The following image displays Plus and Minus error amounts in the mean MCA (Middle Cerebral Artery) velocity data for different seizure types observed in children.



The following code uses mean percentage values of MCA velocity during different kinds of seizures in children. The codes shows how to implement ErrorBar series in FlexChart.

- **DataCreator.vb**

```

Class DataCreator
    Public Shared Function CreateData() As List(Of DataItem)
        Dim data = New List(Of DataItem)()
        data.Add(New DataItem("Generalize", 15))
        data.Add(New DataItem("Unilateral Clonic", 22))
        data.Add(New DataItem("Subclinical", 20))
        data.Add(New DataItem("Tonic", 11))
        Return data
    End Function
End Class
Public Class DataItem
    Public Sub New(seizuretype__1 As String, meanmca__2 As Integer)
        SeizureType = seizuretype__1
        MeanMCA = meanmca__2
    End Sub

    Public Property SeizureType() As String
        Get
            Return m_SeizureType
        End Get
        Set
            m_SeizureType = Value
        End Set
    End Property
    Private m_SeizureType As String
    Public Property MeanMCA() As Integer
        Get

```

```

        Return m_MeanMCA
    End Get
    Set
        m_MeanMCA = Value
    End Set
End Property
Private m_MeanMCA As Integer
End Class

```

- **DataCreator.cs**

```

class DataCreator
{
    public static List<DataItem> CreateData()
    {
        var data = new List<DataItem>();
        data.Add(new DataItem("Generalize", 15));
        data.Add(new DataItem("Unilateral Clonic", 22));
        data.Add(new DataItem("Subclinical", 20));
        data.Add(new DataItem("Tonic", 11));
        return data;
    }
}
public class DataItem
{
    public DataItem(string seizuretype, int meanmca)
    {
        SeizureType = seizuretype;
        MeanMCA = meanmca;
    }

    public string SeizureType { get; set; }
    public int MeanMCA { get; set; }
}

```

- **Visual Basic**

```

Partial Public Class MainWindow
    Inherits Window
    Private _data As List(Of DataItem)
    Public Sub New()
        InitializeComponent()

        ' clear data series collection
        flexChart.Series.Clear()

        ' create ErrorBar series
        Dim errorBar As New Cl.WPF.Chart.ErrorBar()

        ' add the series to the data series collection
        flexChart.Series.Add(errorBar)

        ' bind X-axis and Y-axis
        flexChart.BindingX = "SeizureType"
        errorBar.Binding = "MeanMCA"

        ' specify error amount of the series
        errorBar.ErrorAmount = Cl.Chart.ErrorAmount.Percentage

        ' specify the direction of the error
        errorBar.Direction = Cl.Chart.ErrorBarDirection.Both
    End Sub
End Class

```

```

        ' specify the error value of the series
        errorBar.ErrorValue = 0.3

        ' style the ErrorBar series
        errorBar.EndStyle = Cl.Chart.ErrorBarEndStyle.Cap
    End Sub
End Sub
Public ReadOnly Property Data() As List(Of DataItem)
    Get
        If _data Is Nothing Then
            _data = DataCreator.CreateData()
        End If

        Return _data
    End Get
End Property
End Class

```

- C#

```

public partial class MainWindow : Window
{
    private List<DataItem> _data;
    public MainWindow()
    {
        InitializeComponent();

        // clear data series collection
        flexChart.Series.Clear();

        // create ErrorBar series
        Cl.WPF.Chart.ErrorBar errorBar = new Cl.WPF.Chart.ErrorBar();

        // add the series to the data series collection
        flexChart.Series.Add(errorBar);

        // bind X-axis and Y-axis
        flexChart.BindingX = "SeizureType";
        errorBar.Binding = "MeanMCA";

        // specify error amount of the series
        errorBar.ErrorAmount = Cl.Chart.ErrorAmount.Percentage;

        // specify the direction of the error
        errorBar.Direction = Cl.Chart.ErrorBarDirection.Both;

        // specify the error value of the series
        errorBar.ErrorValue = .3;

        // style the ErrorBar series
        errorBar.EndStyle = Cl.Chart.ErrorBarEndStyle.Cap;
    }
    public List<DataItem> Data
    {
        get
        {
            if (_data == null)
            {
                _data = DataCreator.CreateData();
            }

            return _data;
        }
    }
}

```

```

    }
}
}

```

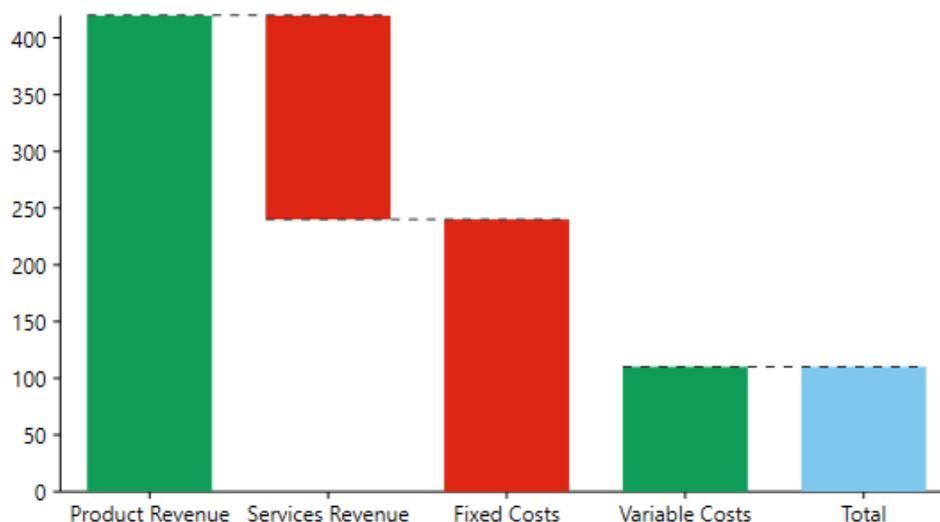
Waterfall Series

Waterfall series allows you to understand the cumulative effect of sequential positive or negative values. It is useful to understand the effect of a series of positive and negative values on an initial value. The series depicts color coded columns to easily distinguish positive values from negative values. Generally initial and final values are depicted by total columns, while intermediate values are represented by floating columns. It is recommended to use Waterfall series when there is a column of category text and a mix of positive and negative values. Such cases are mostly found in quantitative analysis like inventory analysis or performance analysis, where the chart shows the gradual transition in the quantitative value of an entity subjected to increment or decrement.

FlexChart provides features that can be implemented and customized for enhanced data visualization through Waterfall series.

- **Connector lines:** Connector lines are the lines that connect color coded columns to display the flow of data in the chart. To show connector lines, set the [ConnectorLines](#) property of the [WaterFall](#) class to True.
- **Connector lines customization:** Once displayed, connector lines can be customized using the [ConnectorLineStyle](#) property that allows you to access styling properties of the [ChartStyle](#) class.
- **Columns customization:** To clearly differentiate positive values from negative values or total, you can apply various styles to the columns showing these values. For that, you can use various properties, such as [RisingStyle](#), [FallingStyle](#), [TotalStyle](#), or [StartStyle](#) provided by the Waterfall class.

The following image displays Waterfall series displaying the cumulative effect of sequential positive and negative values.



To use the Waterfall series in FlexChart, create an instance of the [Waterfall](#) class, which inherits the [Series](#) class, and add the created instance to the FlexChart Series collection using the [Series](#) property provided by the [C1FlexChart](#) class.

The following code snippet illustrates how to set various properties while working with Waterfall series in FlexChart. The code snippet first creates a class `DataCreator` to generate data for the chart, and then binds the series to the data source.

- **Visual Basic**

```

Class DataCreator
    Public Shared Function CreateData() As List(Of DataItem)
        Dim data = New List(Of DataItem)()
        data.Add(New DataItem("製品の収入", 420))
        data.Add(New DataItem("サービスの収入", -180))
        data.Add(New DataItem("固定費", 130))
        data.Add(New DataItem("変動費用", -20))
        Return data
    End Function
End Class

Public Class DataItem

```

```

Public Sub New(costs__1 As String, amount__2 As Integer)
    Costs = costs__1
    Amount = amount__2
End Sub

Public Property Costs() As String
    Get
        Return m_Costs
    End Get
    Set
        m_Costs = Value
    End Set
End Property
Private m_Costs As String
Public Property Amount() As Integer
    Get
        Return m_Amount
    End Get
    Set
        m_Amount = Value
    End Set
End Property
Private m_Amount As Integer
End Class

```

- C#

```

using System.Collections.Generic;

namespace Waterfall
{
    class DataCreator
    {
        public static List<DataItem> CreateData()
        {
            var data = new List<DataItem>();
            data.Add(new DataItem("製品の収入", 420));
            data.Add(new DataItem("サービスの収入", -180));
            data.Add(new DataItem("固定費", 130));
            data.Add(new DataItem("変動費用", -20));
            return data;
        }
    }

    public class DataItem
    {
        public DataItem(string costs, int amount)
        {
            Costs = costs;
            Amount = amount;
        }

        public string Costs { get; set; }
        public int Amount { get; set; }
    }
}

```

Here is the code snippet for binding the FlexChart to the data source.

XAML

```

<Window
    xmlns="http://schemas.microsoft.com/winfx/2006/xaml/presentation"
    xmlns:x="http://schemas.microsoft.com/winfx/2006/xaml"
    xmlns:d="http://schemas.microsoft.com/expression/blend/2008"
    xmlns:mc="http://schemas.openxmlformats.org/markup-compatibility/2006"
    xmlns:local="clr-namespace:Waterfall"
    xmlns:cl="http://schemas.componentone.com/winfx/2006/xaml" x:Class="Waterfall.MainWindow"

```

```

mc:Ignorable="d"
DataContext="{Binding RelativeSource={RelativeSource Mode=Self}}"
Title="MainWindow" Height="528.558" Width="712.292">

<Grid>

    <c1:C1FlexChart x:Name="flexChart"
        BindingX="Costs"
        ItemsSource="{Binding DataContext.Data}"
        Margin="55,161,51,28">
        <c1:C1FlexChart.Series>
            <c1:Waterfall Binding="Amount"
                ConnectorLines="True"
                ShowTotal="True"
                ShowIntermediateTotal="True">
                <c1:Waterfall.StartStyle>
                    <c1:ChartStyle Fill="#7dc7ed" />
                </c1:Waterfall.StartStyle>
                <c1:Waterfall.FallingStyle>
                    <c1:ChartStyle Fill="#dd2714" />
                </c1:Waterfall.FallingStyle>
                <c1:Waterfall.RisingStyle>
                    <c1:ChartStyle Fill="#0f9d58"
                        Stroke="#0f9d58" />
                </c1:Waterfall.RisingStyle>
                <c1:Waterfall.IntermediateTotalStyle>
                    <c1:ChartStyle Fill="#7dc7ed" />
                </c1:Waterfall.IntermediateTotalStyle>
                <c1:Waterfall.TotalStyle>
                    <c1:ChartStyle Fill="#7dc7ed" />
                </c1:Waterfall.TotalStyle>
                <c1:Waterfall.ConnectorLineStyle>
                    <c1:ChartStyle Stroke="#333"
                        StrokeDashArray="5,5"/>
                </c1:Waterfall.ConnectorLineStyle>
            </c1:Waterfall>
        </c1:C1FlexChart.Series>
        <c1:C1FlexChart.AxisY>
            <c1:Axis Min="0"></c1:Axis>
        </c1:C1FlexChart.AxisY>
    </c1:C1FlexChart>

</Grid>
</Window>

```

Code

C#

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```

// clear the FlexChart series collection
flexChart.Series.Clear();

// create an instance of the Waterfall series
C1.WPF.Chart.Waterfall waterFall = new C1.WPF.Chart.Waterfall();

// add the instance to Series collection
flexChart.Series.Add(waterFall);

// bind the field containing Y values for the series
waterFall.Binding = "Amount";

// bind the field containing X values for the FlexChart
flexChart.BindingX = "Costs";

// set the ConnectorLines property

```

```
waterFall.ConnectorLines = true;  
  
// set the ShowTotal property  
waterFall.ShowTotal = true;
```

VB

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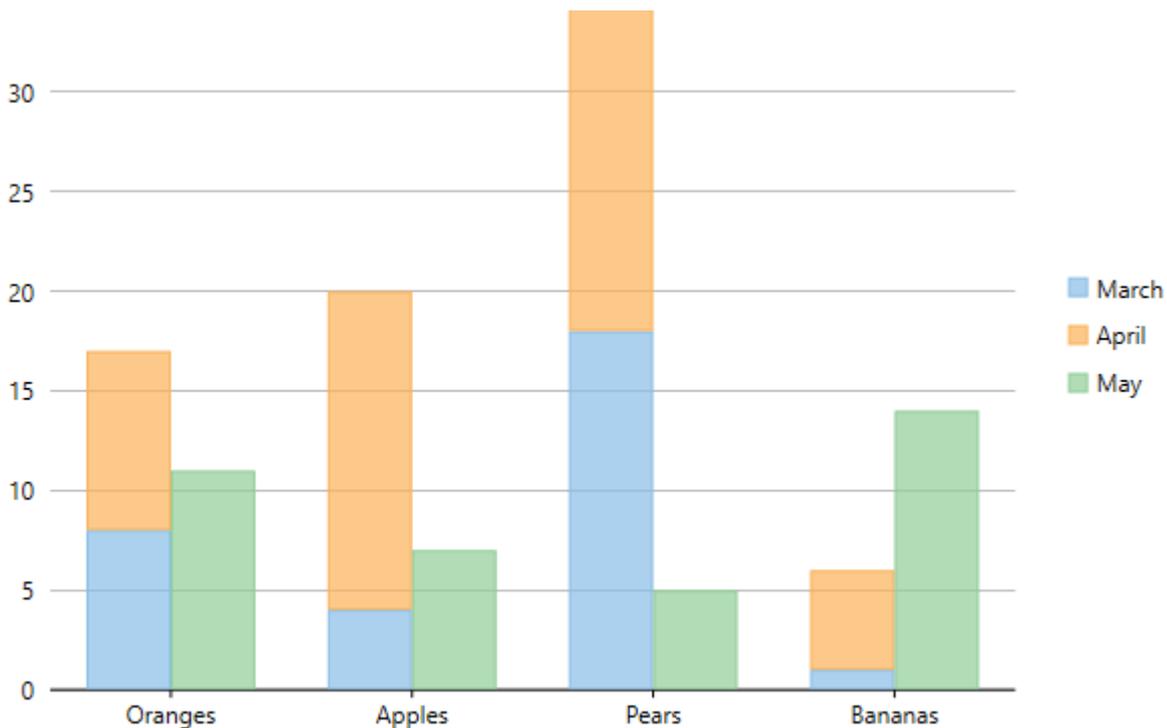
```
' clear the FlexChart series collection  
flexChart.Series.Clear()  
  
' create an instance of the Waterfall series  
Dim waterFall As New Cl.WPF.Chart.Waterfall()  
  
' add the instance to Series collection  
flexChart.Series.Add(waterFall)  
  
' bind the field containing Y values for the series  
waterFall.Binding = "Amount"  
  
' bind the field containing X values for the FlexChart  
flexChart.BindingX = "Costs"  
  
' set the ConnectorLines property  
waterFall.ConnectorLines = True  
  
' set the ShowTotal property  
waterFall.ShowTotal = True
```

Stacked Groups

FlexChart supports stacking and grouping of data items in column and bar charts. Stacking provides capabilities for stacking data items one on top of the other (in column chart) or side-by-side (in bar chart). Whereas, grouping enables clustering of the stacked data items in bar and column charts.

Stacked groups allow you to compare items across categories in a group. In addition, you can visualize relative difference between items in each group.

The following image displays stacked groups in FlexChart.



To stack specific series in a specific stacked group, set the index value of that stacked group in the [StackingGroup](#) property for the series. Note that Stacked groups in FlexChart are implementable when the [Stacking](#) property for FlexChart is set to either **Stacked** or **Stacked100pc**, which specifies how the data values of chart will be stacked.

The following code compares fruit data for three consecutive months and shows how to implement stacked groups in FlexChart.

- XAML

```
<Chart:C1FlexChart x:Name="flexChart"
    Stacking="Stacked"
    ItemsSource="{Binding DataContext.Data}"
    BindingX="Fruit">
    <Chart:Series SeriesName="March" Binding="March"
        StackingGroup="0"/>
    <Chart:Series SeriesName="April" Binding="April"
        StackingGroup="0"/>
    <Chart:Series SeriesName="May" Binding="May"
        StackingGroup="1"/>
</Chart:C1FlexChart>
```

FlexChart Data Labels

Data labels are the labels associated with data points to provide additional information about the data points. In other words, these labels can be defined as descriptive texts or values displayed over data points of the series. These labels are primarily used to highlight crucial data points, thereby enhancing the readability of the chart and allowing you to identify data quickly.

FlexChart offers support for highly customizable data labels that enable you to conveniently highlight chart data. And that in turn helps end-users to identify and interpret the chart data more efficiently. When it comes to working with data labels in FlexChart, the [DataLabel](#) property allows you to do so. By default, FlexChart does not display data labels; however, you can not only display data labels, but also customize them as per your requirements using various properties of the [DataLabel](#) and the [DataLabelBase](#) classes.

Below are the sections that describe how you can add data labels to data points and how you can control data labels

in terms of their appearance and the data they display:

- [Adding and Positioning Data Labels](#)
- [Formatting Data Labels](#)
- [Manage Overlapped Data Labels](#)

Adding and Positioning Data Labels

When added to data points in the chart, data labels make it easier to understand the chart data because they display details about individual data points. These labels quickly highlight data that is both relevant and important.

There is a simple method to add data labels to data points while working with FlexChart. You just need to configure the [Content](#) property as per the type of entry you want to display in data labels. And you need to set the position of data labels using the [Position](#) property to display the data labels in the chart.

The table below lists the pre-defined parameters applicable for data label content customization.

Parameter	Description
x	Shows the X value of the data point.
y	Shows the Y value of the data point.
value	Shows the Y value of the data point.
name	Shows the X value of the data point.
seriesName	Shows the name of the series.
pointIndex	Shows the index of the data point.
P	Shows the percentage share with respect to the parent slice in Sunburst.
p	Shows the percentage share with respect to the whole chart in Sunburst.

See the following code snippet for reference.

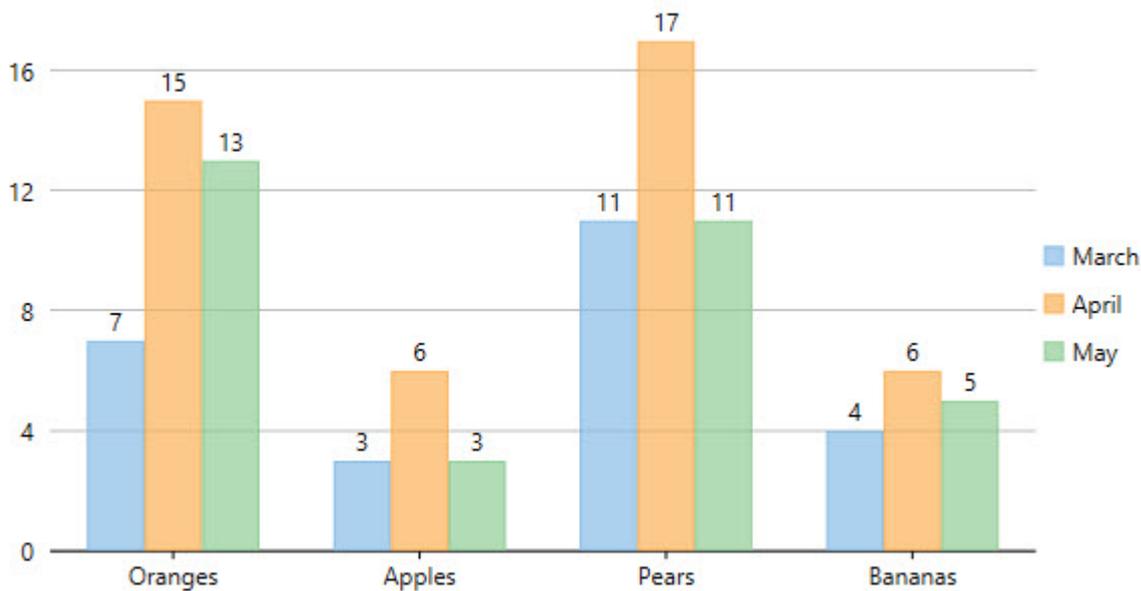
Here is the code that demonstrates a fully-functional program implementing data binding:

XAML

```
<Chart:C1FlexChart.DataLabel>  
  <Chart:DataLabel Content="{y}" Position="Top"/>  
</Chart:C1FlexChart.DataLabel>
```

Code

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<pre>flexChart.DataLabel.Content = "{y}"; flexChart.DataLabel.Position = LabelPosition.Top;</pre>	



Depending upon the chart type, you can select from different positioning options to position data labels perfectly in the chart. The [Position](#) property accepts the following values from the [LabelPosition](#) enumeration:

Property	Description
Top	Sets the labels above the data points.
Bottom	Sets the labels below the data points.
Left	Sets the labels to the left of the data points.
Right	Sets the labels to the right of the data points.
Center	Sets the labels centered on the data points.
None	Hides the labels.

Using the [Content](#) property, you can customize the content of the data labels to further include series names, index values, or names of data points.

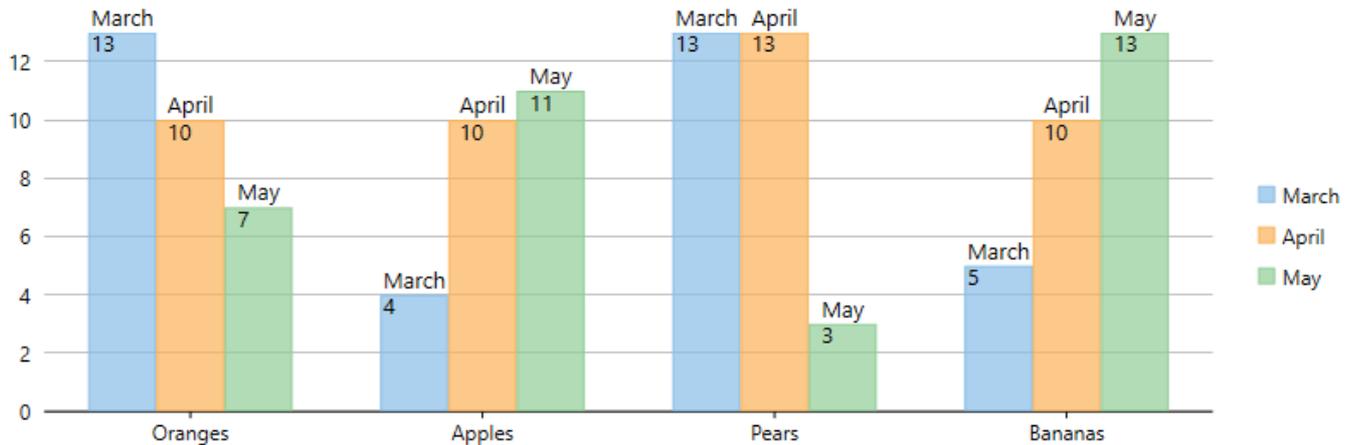
The following code shows how to set the [Content](#) property to include series names and data point values in data labels.

XAML

```
<c1:C1FlexChart.DataLabel>
  <c1:DataLabel Content="{seriesName}&#x0a;{y}"/>
</c1:C1FlexChart.DataLabel>
```

Code

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<pre>// set the Content property flexChart.DataLabel.Content = "{seriesName}\n{value}";</pre>	



Formatting Data Labels

FlexChart provides a number of options to format data labels the way you want. You can set and style borders of data labels, connect them with their corresponding data points, and customize the way data labels appear.

Setting and Styling Borders of Data Labels

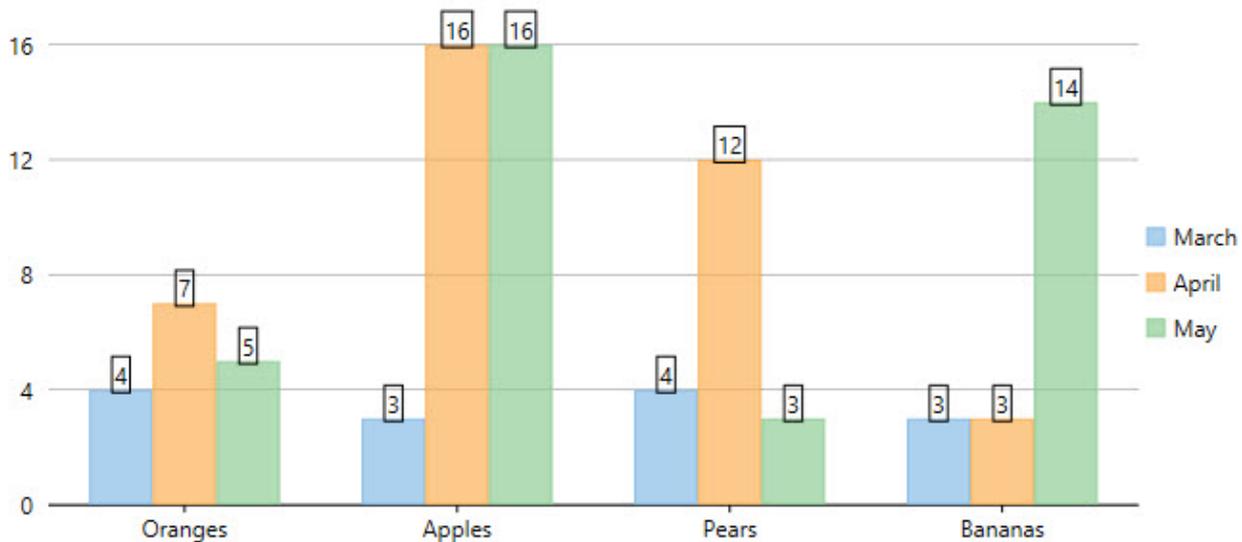
Borders add an extra appeal to data labels and make them more highlighted. This comes in handy to seamlessly highlight really crucial data in the chart, so that end users can focus on what is important.

In FlexChart, borders can be enabled and customized by using different properties, such as `Border` and `BorderStyle`.

Here is the code snippet illustrating the setting and the customization of borders.

- C#

```
flexChart.DataLabel.Border = true;
```



Connecting Data Labels to Data Points

If you have placed data labels away from their corresponding data points, you can connect them using leader lines. A leader line is a line that connects a data label to its data point. Leader lines are beneficial to use, especially when you need to display a visual connection between data labels and their associated data points.

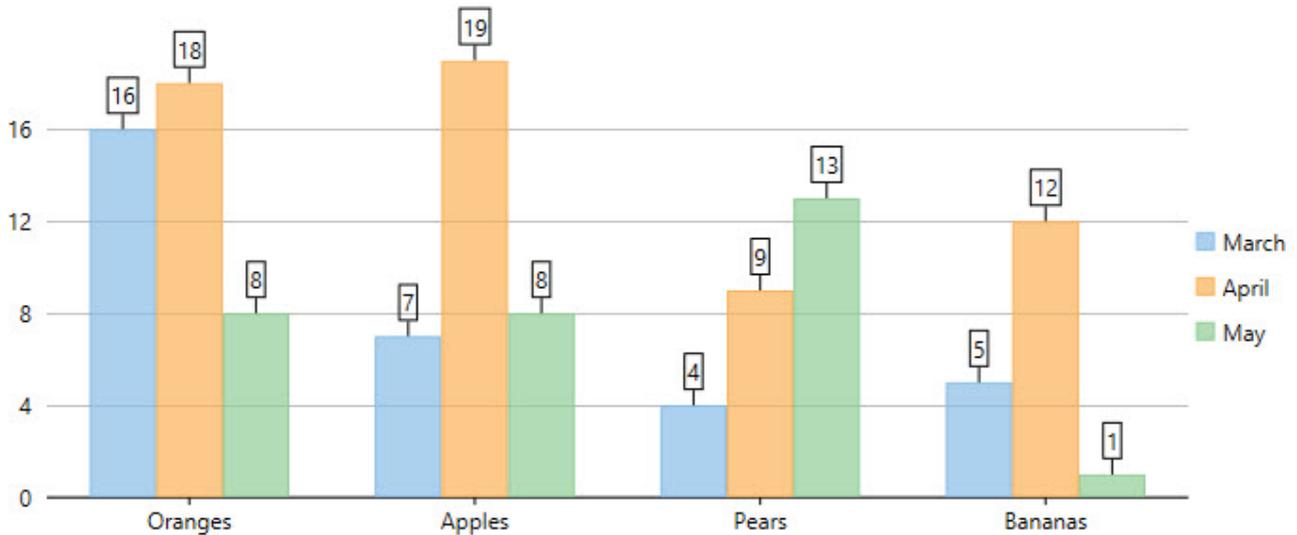
FlexChart does not display leader lines by default when you add data labels; nevertheless, you can enable leader lines and even set their appropriate length to create better visual connections for data labels in the chart. To enable leader lines, you

need to use the [ConnectingLine](#) property. And to set the distance between data labels and their data points, you need to use the [Offset](#) property.

The following code snippet sets both the properties.

- C#

```
flexChart.DataLabel.ConnectingLine = true;
flexChart.DataLabel.Offset = 10;
```



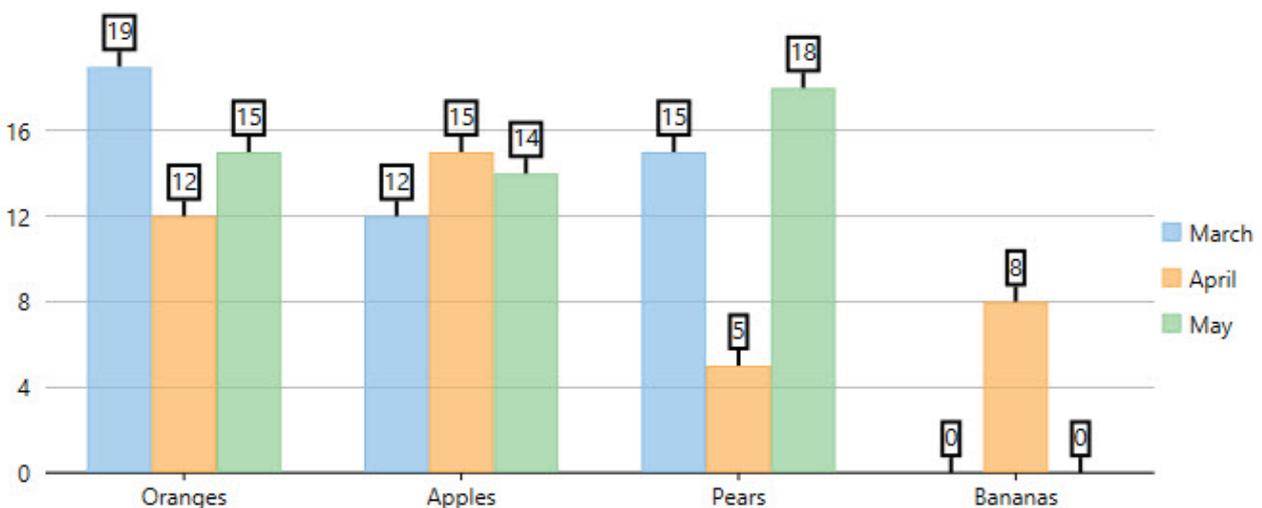
Changing the Appearance of Data Labels

You can make data visualization powerful and appealing by changing the way data labels appear in the chart. FlexChart contains various styling options, which you can use to enhance the clarity and look of data labels. You can use the [Style](#) property to change the appearance of data labels.

See the following code snippet for reference.

- C#

```
flexChart.DataLabel.Style.FontFamily = new System.Windows.Media.FontFamily("GenericSerif");
flexChart.DataLabel.Style.FontSize = 13;
flexChart.DataLabel.Style.StrokeThickness = 2;
```



Manage Overlapped Data Labels

A common issue pertaining to charts is the overlapping of data labels that represent data points. In most cases, overlapping occurs due to long text in data labels or large numbers of data points.

In case of overlapped data labels in FlexChart, it provides the following ways to manage the overlapping.

- **Auto Arrangement of Data Labels**
- **Hide Overlapped Labels**
- **Control Appearance of Overlapped Labels**
- **Rotate Data Labels**
- **Trim or Wrap Data Labels**

Auto Arrangement of Data Labels

The easiest way to handle overlapping of data labels is to set the FlexChart to position the data labels automatically. For automatic positioning of data labels, you can set the [Position](#) property to Auto. Moreover, you can also set the [MaxAutoLabels](#) property to set the maximum number of labels that can be positioned automatically.

When the Position property is set to Auto, the number of created data labels is limited by MaxAutoLabels property which is 100 by default. You can increase the value of MaxAutoLabels property if necessary, but it may slow down the chart rendering since the label positioning algorithm becomes expensive in terms of performance when number of labels is large.

This approach may not provide an optimal layout when working with large data set and when there is not enough space for all data labels. In this case, it's recommended to reduce the number of data labels. For example, create a series with limited number of data points that should have labels, that is, chose to hide the labels at the individual series level.

C#

```
// Set Position and MaxAutoLabels property
flexChart.DataLabel.Position = LabelPosition.Auto;
flexChart.DataLabel.MaxAutoLabels = 150;
```

Hide Overlapped Labels

In case of overlapped data labels in FlexChart, you can use the [Overlapping](#) property provided by DataLabel class. This approach is helpful when the developer wants to completely hide or show the overlapped data labels.

C#

```
// Set Overlapping property
flexChart.DataLabel.Overlapping = LabelOverlapping.Hide;
```

The Overlapping property accepts the following values in the [LabelOverlapping](#) enumeration.

Enumeration	Description
Hide	Hide overlapped data labels.
Show	Show overlapped data labels.

Control Appearance of Overlapped Labels

Furthermore, you can use the [OverlappingOptions](#) property to specify additional label overlapping options that will help the user to effectively manage overlapping of data labels.

C#

```
// Set OverlappingOptions property
flexChart.DataLabel.OverlappingOptions =
LabelOverlappingOptions.OutsidePlotArea;
```

The `OverlappingOptions` property accepts the following values in the [LabelOverlappingOptions](#) enumeration.

Enumeration	Description
None	No overlapping is allowed.
OutsidePlotArea	Allow labels outside plot area.
OverlapDataPoints	Allow overlapping with data points.

Rotate Data Labels

Another option to manage overlapping of data labels in FlexChart is to use the [Angle](#) property. The `Angle` property enables the user to set a specific rotation angle for data labels.

C#

```
// Set the Angle property
flexChart.DataLabel.Angle = 50;
```

Trim or Wrap Data Labels

To manage the content displayed in the data labels, in case of overlapping, you can either trim the data labels or wrap the data labels using [ContentOptions](#) property. Managing of data labels using the `ContentOptions` property is dependent on `MaxWidth` and `MaxLines` property.

The [MaxWidth](#) property allows you to set the maximum width of a data label. In case the width of data label text exceeds the specified width, then you can either trim the data labels or wrap the data labels using the `ContentOptions` property.

The [MaxLines](#) property allows you to set the maximum number of lines in data label. This property helps you to limit the wrapped text to grow vertically. In case the wrapped text does not fit within the specified `MaxWidth` and `MaxLines` property values, then the last line gets trimmed with an ellipses(...).

C#

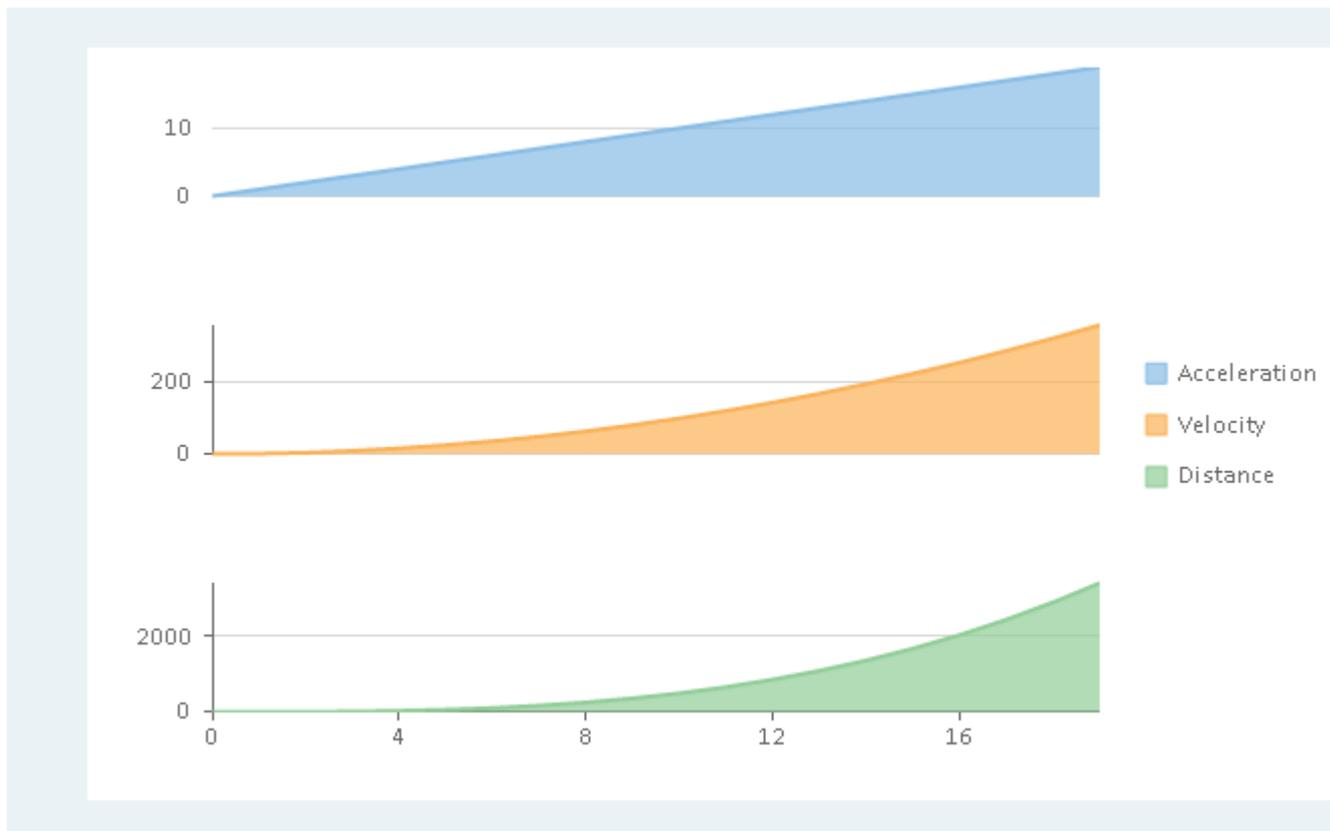
```
// Set MaxWidth property
flexChart.DataLabel.MaxWidth = 25;           // Set ContentOptions property
flexChart.DataLabel.ContentOptions = ContentOptions.Trim;
```

Multiple Plot Areas

Multiple plot areas allow you to increase the visibility of data by displaying each series in a separate plot area across one axis, keeping the other axis fixed.

FlexChart enables you to create multiple plot areas for different series within the same chart area. In FlexChart, create different plot areas and add them to the `C1FlexChart.PlotAreas` collection. In addition, you can customize the plot areas in terms of row index, column index, height, and width.

The following image displays multiple plot areas showing data for one series each in FlexChart.



The following code uses data regarding four metrics, namely, Acceleration, Velocity, Distance, and Time of a vehicle. The code demonstrates how to implement multiple plot areas in FlexChart.

- **Visual Basic**

```
' create and add multiple plot areas
flexChart.PlotAreas.Add(New PlotArea() With {
    .PlotAreaName = "plot1",
    .Row = 0
})
flexChart.PlotAreas.Add(New PlotArea() With {
    .PlotAreaName = "plot2",
    .Row = 2
})
flexChart.PlotAreas.Add(New PlotArea() With {
    .PlotAreaName = "plot3",
    .Row = 4
})

' specify the chart type
flexChart.ChartType = C1.Chart.ChartType.Area
```

```

' create, add, and bind series
flexChart.Series.Add(New Series() With {
    .SeriesName = "Acceleration",
    .Binding = "Acceleration"
})

flexChart.Series.Add(New Series() With {
    .SeriesName = "Velocity",
    .Binding = "Velocity",
    .AxisY = New Axis() With {
        .Position = C1.Chart.Position.Left,
        .MajorGrid = True,
        .PlotAreaName = "plot2"
    }
})

flexChart.Series.Add(New Series() With {
    .SeriesName = "Distance",
    .Binding = "Distance",
    .AxisY = New Axis() With {
        .Position = C1.Chart.Position.Left,
        .MajorGrid = True,
        .PlotAreaName = "plot3"
    }
})

```

- C#

```

// create and add multiple plot areas
flexChart.PlotAreas.Add(new PlotArea { PlotAreaName = "plot1", Row = 0 });
flexChart.PlotAreas.Add(new PlotArea { PlotAreaName = "plot2", Row = 2 });
flexChart.PlotAreas.Add(new PlotArea { PlotAreaName = "plot3", Row = 4 });

// specify the chart type
flexChart.ChartType = C1.Chart.ChartType.Area;

// create, add, and bind series
flexChart.Series.Add(new Series()
{
    SeriesName = "Acceleration",
    Binding = "Acceleration",
});

flexChart.Series.Add(new Series()
{
    SeriesName = "Velocity",
    Binding = "Velocity",
    AxisY = new Axis()
    {
        Position = C1.Chart.Position.Left,
        MajorGrid = true,
        PlotAreaName = "plot2"
    },
});

flexChart.Series.Add(new Series()
{
    SeriesName = "Distance",
    Binding = "Distance",
    AxisY = new Axis()

```

```

    {
        Position = Cl.Chart.Position.Left,
        MajorGrid = true,
        PlotAreaName = "plot3"
    }
});

```

Trend Lines

Trend lines are an important tool for analyzing data. Trend line indicates the general rate of increase or decrease of Y data over X data in a chart. A common scenario is measuring the rate change of sales price over time. FlexChart control supports trend lines through a built-in [TrendLine](#) class for ease of use during implementation. Trend lines are most commonly used in Line, Column, Bar, or Scatter charts.

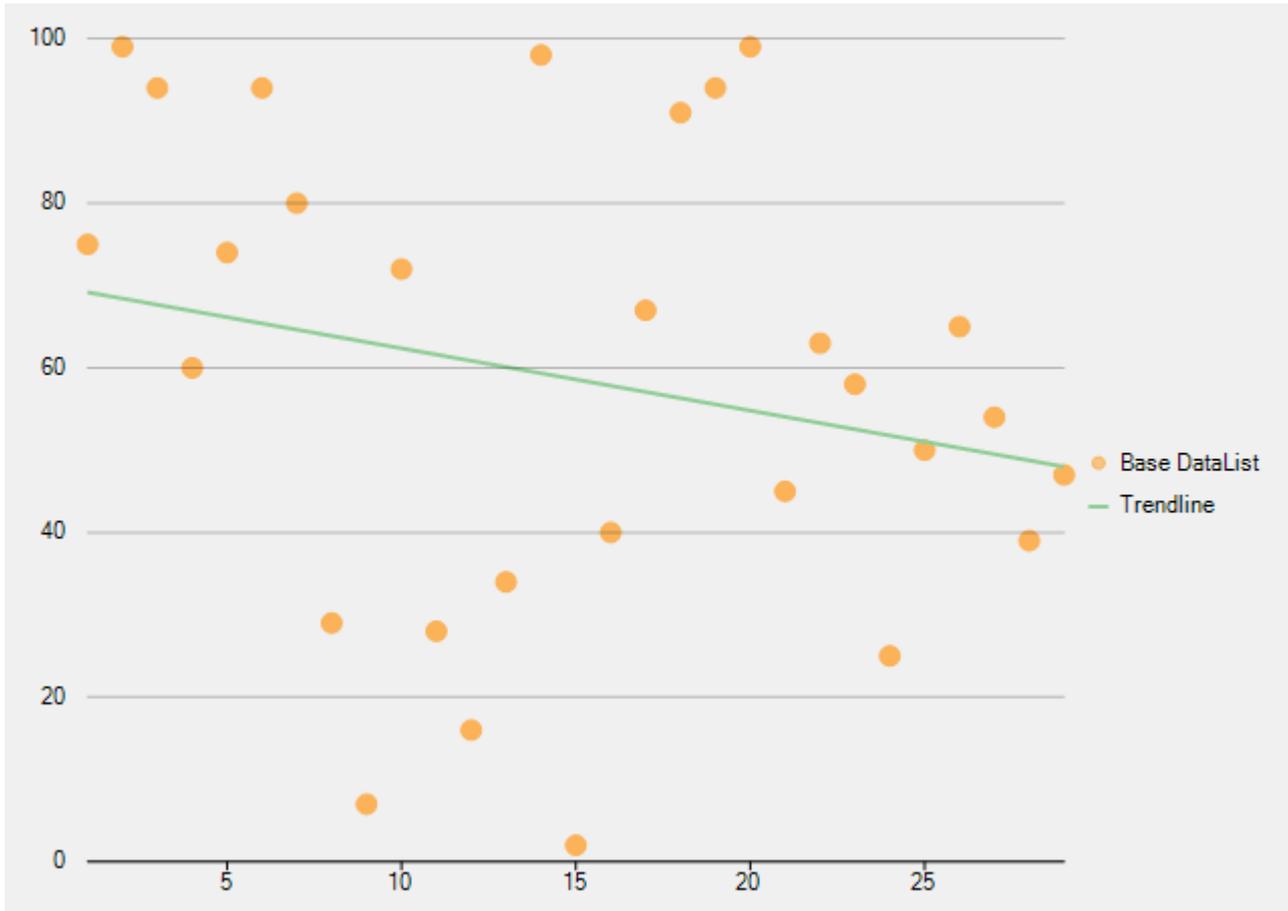
FlexChart supports the following regression and non-regression trend lines.

TrendLine.FitType	Description
Linear	A linear trend line is the straight line that most closely approximates the data in the chart. The data is linear, if the data pattern resembles a line. Equation - $Y(x) = C0 + C1*x$
Polynomial	Polynomial trend lines are curved lines that are used with fluctuating data. They are useful for analyzing gains or losses over a large data set. When using a polynomial trend line, it is important to also set the Order of the line, which can be determined by the number of fluctuations in the data. Equation - $Y(x) = C0 + C1*x + C2*x^2 + : + Cn-1*xn-1$
Logarithmic	Logarithmic trend line is a best-fit curved line that is most useful when the rate of change in the data increases or decreases quickly and then levels out. A logarithmic trend line can use negative and/or positive values. Equation - $Y(x) = C0 * \ln(C1*x)$
Power	Power trend line is a curved line that is best used with data sets that compare measurements that increase at a specific rate — for example, the acceleration of a race car at one-second intervals. You cannot create a power trend line if your data contains zero or negative values. Equation - $Y(x) = C0 * \text{pow}(x, C1)$
Exponent	Exponential trend line is a curved line that is most useful when data values rise or fall at increasingly higher rates. You cannot create an exponential trend line if your data contains zero or negative values. Equation - $Y(x) = C0 * \exp(C1*x)$
Fourier	Fourier trend line identifies patterns or cycles in a series data set. It removes the effects of trends or other complicating factors from the data set, thereby providing a good estimate of the direction that the data under analysis will take in the future. Equation - $Y(x) = C0 + C1 * \cos(x) + C2 * \sin(x) + C3 * \cos(2*x) + C4 * \sin(2*x) + \dots$
MinX	The minimum X-value on the chart.
MinY	The minimum Y-value on the chart.
MaxX	The maximum X-value on the chart.

MaxY	The maximum Y-value on the chart.
AverageX	The average X-value on the chart.
AverageY	The average Y-value on the chart.

To implement trend line in FlexChart, use the [TrendLine](#) class that inherits the [Series](#) class. To begin with, create an instance of TrendLine class, and then use the TrendLine object to specify its properties. Once, the associated properties are set, add the trend line to the FlexChart using Series.Add method.

The following image shows how FlexChart appears after adding a linear trend line.



XAML

```
<c1:C1FlexChart x:Name="flexChart" Background="White" ChartType="Scatter"
ItemsSource="{Binding Data}" ToolTipContent="{Y}" Grid.Row="1">
    <c1:C1FlexChart.AxisY>
        <c1:Axis Min="0" Max="100" AxisLine="False" MajorGrid="True"
MajorTickMarks="None" />
    </c1:C1FlexChart.AxisY>
    <c1:Series SeriesName="Base Data" BindingX="X" Binding="Y"/>
    <c1:TrendLine SeriesName="Trend Line" x:Name="trendLine" Binding="Y"
BindingX="X" Order="4"/>
</c1:C1FlexChart>
```

Code

HTML

```
public partial class Trendline
{
    ObservableCollection<DataItem> dataList = new ObservableCollection<DataItem>
();
    public Form1()
    {
        InitializeComponent();
        var rnd = new Random();
        for (int i = 1; i < 30; i++)
        {
            dataList.Add(new DataItem() { X = i, Y = rnd.Next(100) });
        }
    }
    public class DataItem
    {
        int _y;
        public int X { get; set; }

        public int Y
        {
            get { return _y; }
            set
            {
                if (value == _y) return;
                _y = value;
            }
        }
    }
}
```

Export

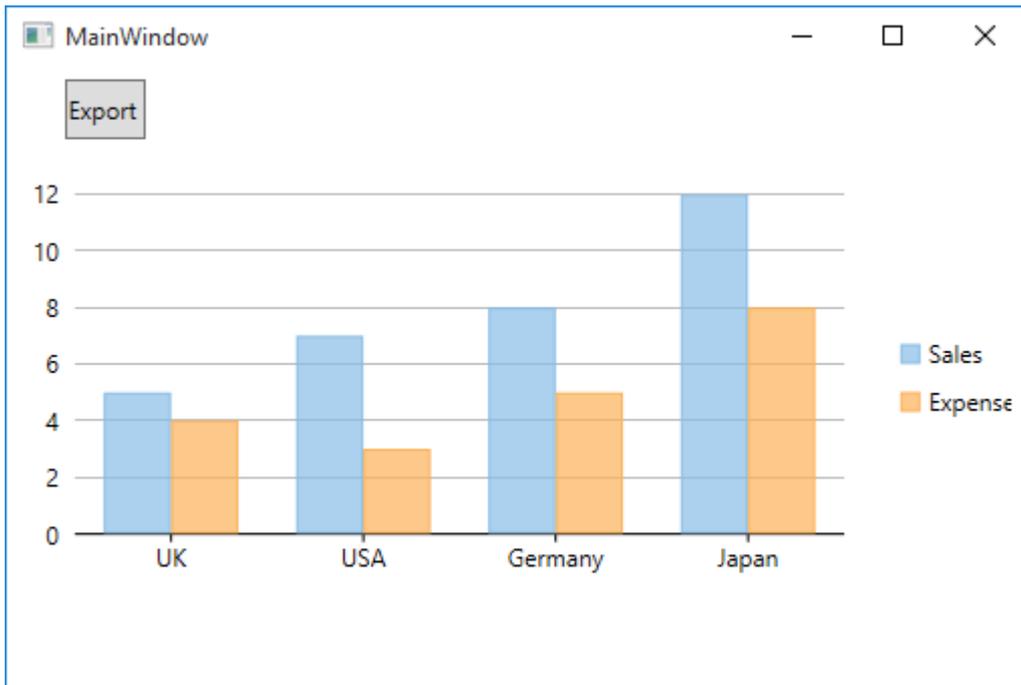
Export to Image

FlexChart for WPF allows you to export the chart to multiple image formats. The supported formats are **PNG**, **JPEG**, **BMP** and **SVG**.

To export a FlexChart to an image format, use **SaveImage** method. The method saves the chart as an image to the specified stream in the given ImageFormat. You can optionally specify the height, width, and back color of the image to be saved.

This topic uses the sample created in [QuickStart](#) topic to explain the implementation for exporting a FlexChart to an image on button click event.

The following image shows a chart with a button to be clicked to export chart to a desired image format.



XAML

MainWindow.xaml

```
<Grid>
    <cl:C1FlexChart x:Name="flexChart"
        BindingX="Country"
        Height="200"
        Width="500"
        ItemsSource="{Binding DataContext.Data}">
        <cl:C1FlexChart.Series>
            <cl:Series SeriesName="Sales"
                Binding="Sales"/>
            <cl:Series SeriesName="Expenses"
                Binding="Expenses"/>
        </cl:C1FlexChart.Series>
    </cl:C1FlexChart>
    <Button Content="Export FlexChart" Height="30" Width="40"
        Click="OnSaveButtonClick" Margin="0,0,412,269" />
</Grid>
```

Code

MainWindow.xaml.cs

```
public partial class MainWindow : Window
{
    private List _data;
    public MainWindow()
    {
        InitializeComponent();
    }
}
```

```
    }
    public List Data
    {
        get
        {
            if (_data == null)
            {
                _data = DateCreator.CreateData();
            }

            return _data;
        }
    }

    private void OnSaveButtonClick(object sender, RoutedEventArgs e)
    {
        var dialog = new SaveFileDialog()
        {
            Filter = "PNG|*.png|JPEG |*.jpeg|BMP|*.bmp|SVG|*.svg"
        };
        if (dialog.ShowDialog() == true)
        {
            using (Stream stream = dialog.OpenFile())
            {
                var extension = dialog.SafeFileName.Split('.')[1];
                ImageFormat fmt = (ImageFormat)Enum.Parse(typeof(ImageFormat),
extension, true);

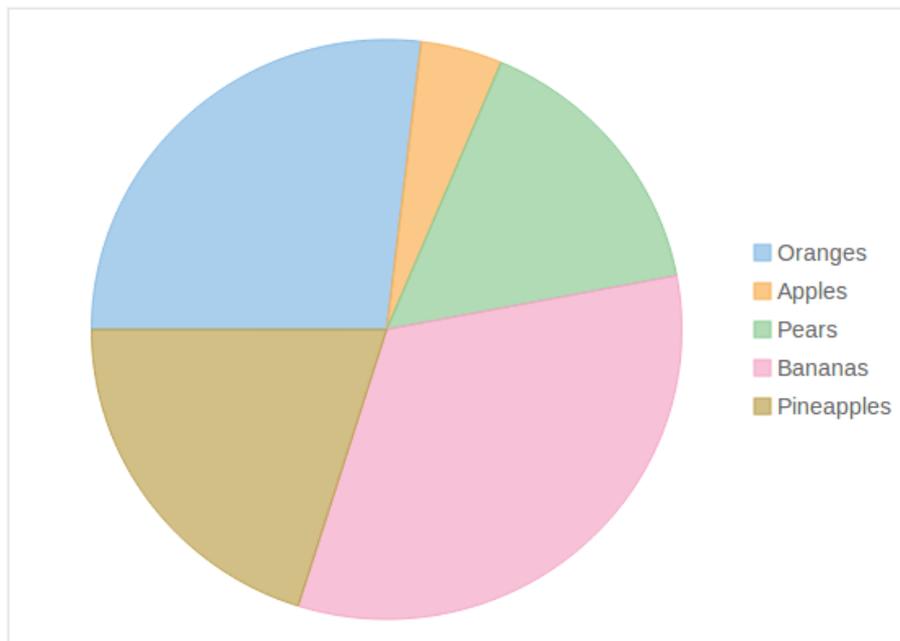
                flexChart.SaveImage(stream, fmt);
            }
        }
    }
}
```

FlexPie

Pie charts are generally used to represent size of items in a series as a percentage of the entire pie. Ideally, the Pie Chart is to be used when you want to plot only one series comprising non-zero and positive values. And the number of categories are not more than seven.

The **FlexPie** control enables you to create customized pie charts that depict data points as slices of a pie. The arc length of each slice represents the value of that specific slice.

The multi-colored slices make pie charts easy to understand, and usually the value represented by each slice is displayed with the help of labels.



Key Features

- **Header and Footer:** Use simple properties to set a title and footer text.
- **Legend:** Change position of the legend as needed.
- **Selection:** Change the selection mode and customize the selected pie slice appearance.
- **Exploding and Donut Pie Charts:** Use simple properties to convert it into an exploding pie chart or a donut pie chart.
- **Data Labels:** Add, style, format, set the position of data labels and manage the overlapped data labels on the chart.

Quick Start

This quick start is intended to guide you through a step-by-step process of creating a simple FlexPie application and running the same in Visual Studio.

Complete the following steps to see how FlexPie appears on running the application:

- **Step1: Adding FlexPie to the Application**

- **Step 2: Binding FlexPie to a Data Source**
- **Step 3: Running the Application**

Step 1: Adding FlexPie to the Application

1. Create a **WPF Application** in Visual Studio.
2. Drag and drop the **C1FlexPie** control to the MainWindow.
The following dlls are automatically added to the application:

C1.WPF.4.dll

C1.WPF.DX.4.dll

C1.WPF.FlexChart.4.dll

The XAML markup resembles the following code in the **<Grid> </Grid>** tags.

o XAML

```
<c1:C1FlexPie x:Name="flexPie"
    Binding="Value"
    BindingName="Name"
    HorizontalAlignment="Left"
    Height="300"
    VerticalAlignment="Top"
    Width="300">
    <c1:C1FlexPie.ItemsSource>
        <c1:FlexPieSliceCollection>
            <c1:FlexPieSlice Name="Slice1" Value="1"/>
            <c1:FlexPieSlice Name="Slice2" Value="2"/>
            <c1:FlexPieSlice Name="Slice3" Value="3"/>
            <c1:FlexPieSlice Name="Slice4" Value="4"/>
        </c1:FlexPieSliceCollection>
    </c1:C1FlexPie.ItemsSource>
</c1:C1FlexPie>
```

Step 2: Binding FlexPie to a Data Source

1. Add a class **DataCreator** and add the following code.

o Visual Basic

```
Public Class DataCreator

    Public Shared Function CreateFruit() As List(Of FruitDataItem)
        Dim fruits = New String() {"Oranges", "Apples", "Pears", "Bananas"}
        Dim count = fruits.Length
        Dim result = New List(Of FruitDataItem)()
        Dim rnd = New Random()
        For i As Object = 0 To count - 1
            result.Add(New FruitDataItem() With {
                .Fruit = fruits(i),
                .March = rnd.[Next](20),
                .April = rnd.[Next](20),
                .May = rnd.[Next](20)
            })
        Next
        Return result
    End Function
End Class

Public Class FruitDataItem
    Public Property Fruit() As String
    Get
        Return m_Fruit
    End Get
    Set
```

```

        m_Fruit = Value
    End Set
End Property
Private m_Fruit As String
Public Property March() As Double
    Get
        Return m_March
    End Get
    Set
        m_March = Value
    End Set
End Property
Private m_March As Double
Public Property April() As Double
    Get
        Return m_April
    End Get
    Set
        m_April = Value
    End Set
End Property
Private m_April As Double
Public Property May() As Double
    Get
        Return m_May
    End Get
    Set
        m_May = Value
    End Set
End Property
Private m_May As Double
End Class

```

- o **C#**

```

using System;
using System.Collections.Generic;
using System.Linq;
using System.Text;
using System.Threading.Tasks;

namespace FlexPieQuickStart
{
    class DataCreator
    {
        public static List<FruitDataItem> CreateFruit()
        {
            var fruits = new string[] { "Oranges", "Apples", "Pears", "Bananas" };
            var count = fruits.Length;
            var result = new List<FruitDataItem>();
            var rnd = new Random();
            for (var i = 0; i < count; i++)
                result.Add(new FruitDataItem()
                {
                    Fruit = fruits[i],
                    March = rnd.Next(20),
                    April = rnd.Next(20),
                    May = rnd.Next(20),
                });
            return result;
        }
    }
}

public class FruitDataItem

```

```

    {
        public string Fruit { get; set; }
        public double March { get; set; }
        public double April { get; set; }
        public double May { get; set; }
    }
}

```

2. Edit the XAML markup to provide data to FlexPie.

- o **XAML**

```

<Window
    x:Class="FlexPieQuickStart.MainWindow"
    xmlns="http://schemas.microsoft.com/winfx/2006/xaml/presentation"
    xmlns:x="http://schemas.microsoft.com/winfx/2006/xaml"
    xmlns:d="http://schemas.microsoft.com/expression/blend/2008"
    xmlns:mc="http://schemas.openxmlformats.org/markup-compatibility/2006"
    xmlns:local="clr-namespace:FlexPieQuickStart"
    mc:Ignorable="d"
    DataContext="{Binding RelativeSource={RelativeSource Mode=Self}}"
    xmlns:Chart="http://schemas.componentone.com/winfx/2006/xaml"
    Title="MainWindow" Height="800" Width="800">
    <Grid>

        <Chart:C1FlexPie
            x:Name="flexPie"
            Binding="April"
            BindingName="Fruit"
            ItemsSource="{Binding DataContext.Data}">
            <Chart:C1FlexPie.SelectionStyle>
                <Chart:ChartStyle Stroke="Red"
                    StrokeThickness="2"/>
            </Chart:C1FlexPie.SelectionStyle>
            <Chart:C1FlexPie.DataLabel>
                <Chart:PieDataLabel Content="{{y}}"/>
            </Chart:C1FlexPie.DataLabel>
        </Chart:C1FlexPie>
    </Grid>

```

 To specify the binding source, you need to add the **DataContext = "{Binding RelativeSource={RelativeSource Mode=Self}}"** markup in the **<Window>** tag of the **MainWindow.xaml** file.

3. Switch to **Code view** and add the following code.

- o **Visual Basic**

```

Partial Public Class MainWindow
    Inherits Window
    Private _data As List(Of FruitDataItem)
    Public Sub New()
        InitializeComponent()
    End Sub
    Public ReadOnly Property Data() As List(Of FruitDataItem)
        Get
            If _data Is Nothing Then
                _data = DataCreator.CreateFruit()
            End If
            Return _data
        End Get
    End Property
End Class

```

- o **C#**

```

using System;
using System.Collections.Generic;
using System.Linq;

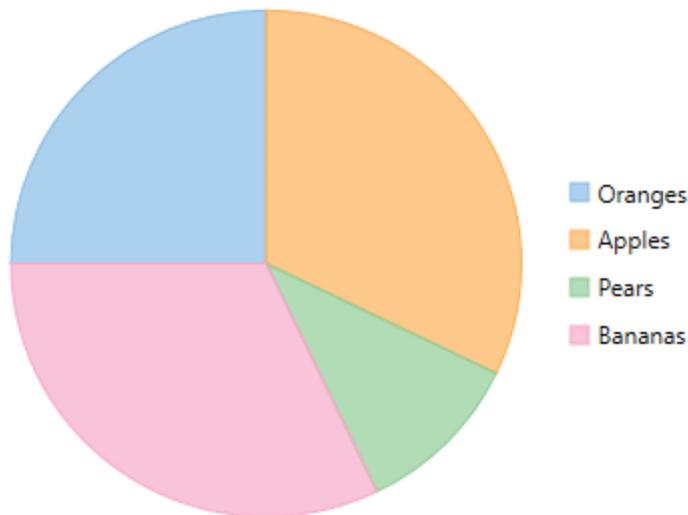
```

```
using System.Text;
using System.Threading.Tasks;
using System.Windows;
using System.Windows.Controls;
using System.Windows.Data;
using System.Windows.Documents;
using System.Windows.Input;
using System.Windows.Media;
using System.Windows.Media.Imaging;
using System.Windows.Navigation;
using System.Windows.Shapes;

namespace FlexPieQuickStart
{
    public partial class MainWindow : Window
    {
        List<FruitDataItem> _data;
        public MainWindow()
        {
            InitializeComponent();
        }
        public List<FruitDataItem> Data
        {
            get
            {
                if (_data == null)
                {
                    _data = DataCreator.CreateFruit();
                }
                return _data;
            }
        }
    }
}
```

Step 3: Running the Application

Press F5 to run the application and observe the following output.



Doughnut Pie Chart

FlexPie allows you to create the doughnut Pie Chart by using the `InnerRadius` property.

The inner radius is measured as a fraction of the radius of the Pie Chart. The default value of the `InnerRadius` property is zero, which creates the Pie Chart. Setting this property to values greater than zero creates the Pie Chart with a hole in the middle, also known as the Doughnut Chart.

The following code snippets demonstrate how to set the `InnerRadius` property.

XAML

```
<Grid>

    <Chart:C1FlexPie
        x:Name="flexPie"
        InnerRadius="0.5"
        Offset="0.5"
        Header="Fruit Sales Data"
        Footer="2015"
        LegendOrientation="Horizontal"
        LegendPosition="Bottom"
        SelectionMode="Point"
        SelectedItemPosition="Top"
        SelectedItemOffset="2"
        Margin="95,99,328,275"
        Binding="April"
        BindingName="Fruit"
        ItemsSource="{Binding DataContext.Data}">
        <Chart:C1FlexPie.SelectionStyle>
            <Chart:ChartStyle Stroke="Red"
                StrokeThickness="2"/>
        </Chart:C1FlexPie.SelectionStyle>
    </Chart:C1FlexPie>
    <Chart:C1FlexPie.DataLabel>
```

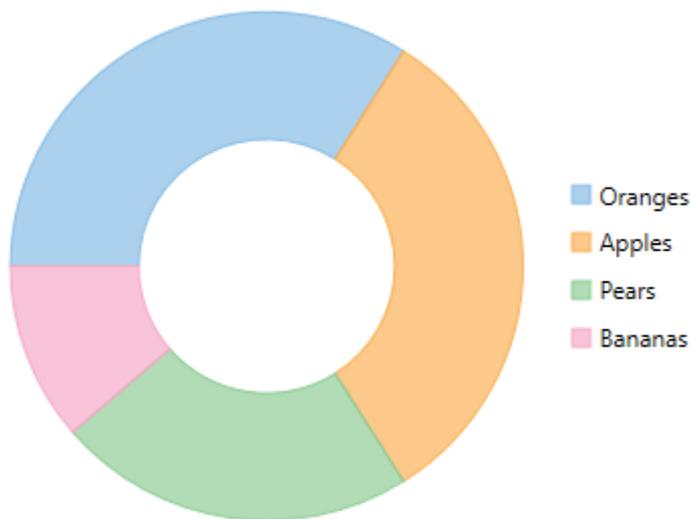
```
<Chart:PieDataLabel Content="{{y}}"/>
</Chart:C1FlexPie.DataLabel>
</Chart:C1FlexPie>
</Grid>
```

Code

C#

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```
flexPie.InnerRadius = 0.5;
```



Exploded Pie Chart

The [Offset](#) property can be used to push the pie slices away from the center of **FlexPie**, producing the exploded Pie Chart. This property accepts a double value to determine how far the pie slices should be pushed from the center.

Here is the code snippet:

XAML

```
<Grid>
  <Chart:C1FlexPie
    x:Name="flexPie"
    InnerRadius="0.5"
    Offset="0.5"
    Header="Fruit Sales Data"
    Footer="2015"
    LegendOrientation="Horizontal"
    LegendPosition="Bottom"
    SelectionMode="Point"
    SelectedItemPosition="Top"
    SelectedItemOffset="2"
    Margin="95,99,328,275"
    Binding="April"
  />
</Grid>
```

```
BindingName="Fruit"  
ItemsSource="{Binding DataContext.Data}">  
<Chart:C1FlexPie.SelectionStyle>  
    <Chart:ChartStyle Stroke="Red"  
        StrokeThickness="2"/>  
</Chart:C1FlexPie.SelectionStyle>  
<Chart:C1FlexPie.DataLabel>  
    <Chart:PieDataLabel Content="{y}" />  
</Chart:C1FlexPie.DataLabel>  
</Chart:C1FlexPie>  
</Grid>
```

Code

C#

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```
flexPie.Offset = 0.5;
```



Header & Footer

You can add a header to the **FlexPie** control by setting the [Header](#) property of [FlexChartBase](#). Besides a header, you can add a footer to the control by setting the [Footer](#) property of [FlexChartBase](#).

See the following code snippet for setting the two properties:

XAML

```
<Grid>  
    <Chart:C1FlexPie  
        x:Name="flexPie"  
        InnerRadius="0.5"  
        Offset="0.5"  
        Header="Fruit Sales Data"  
        Footer="2015"
```

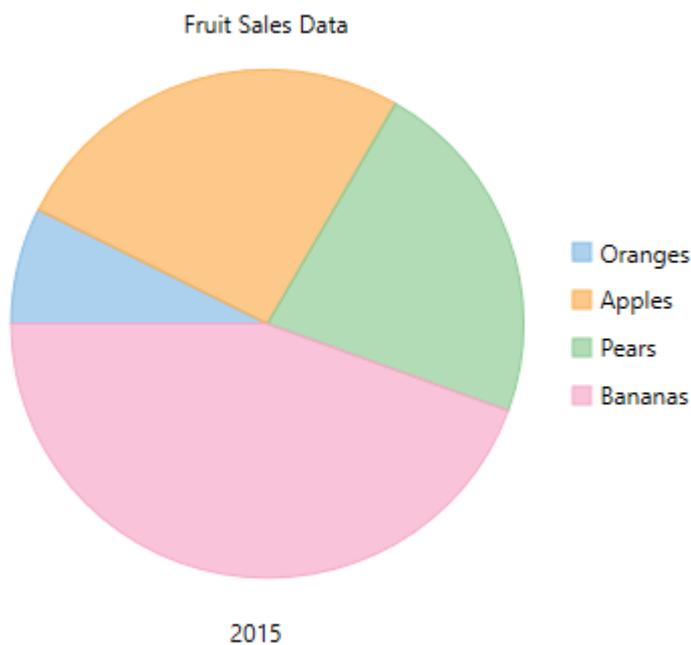
```
LegendOrientation="Horizontal"
LegendPosition="Bottom"
SelectionMode="Point"
SelectedItemPosition="Top"
SelectedItemOffset="2"
Margin="95,99,328,275"
Binding="April"
BindingName="Fruit"
ItemsSource="{Binding DataContext.Data}"
<Chart:C1FlexPie.SelectionStyle>
    <Chart:ChartStyle Stroke="Red"
        StrokeThickness="2"/>
</Chart:C1FlexPie.SelectionStyle>
<Chart:C1FlexPie.DataLabel>
    <Chart:PieDataLabel Content="{{y}}"/>
</Chart:C1FlexPie.DataLabel>
</Chart:C1FlexPie>
</Grid>
```

Code

C#

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```
flexPie.Header = "Fruit Sales Data";
flexPie.Footer = "2015";
```



Legend

FlexPie enables you to specify the position where you want to display the Legend by using the Legend property of FlexChartBase.

The below-mentioned code snippet shows how to set the property.

XAML

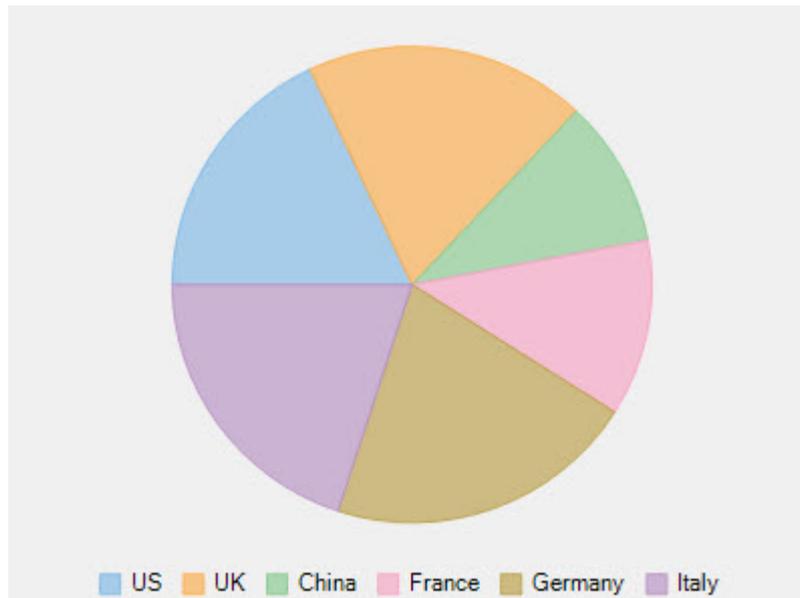
```
<Grid>
    <Chart:C1FlexPie
        x:Name="flexPie"
        InnerRadius="0.5"
        Offset="0.5"
        Header="Fruit Sales Data"
        Footer="2015"
        LegendOrientation="Horizontal"
        LegendPosition="Bottom"
        SelectionMode="Point"
        SelectedItemPosition="Top"
        SelectedItemOffset="2"
        Margin="95,99,328,275"
        Binding="April"
        BindingName="Fruit"
        ItemsSource="{Binding DataContext.Data}">
        <Chart:C1FlexPie.SelectionStyle>
            <Chart:ChartStyle Stroke="Red"
                StrokeThickness="2"/>
        </Chart:C1FlexPie.SelectionStyle>
        <Chart:C1FlexPie.DataLabel>
            <Chart:PieDataLabel Content="{{y}}"/>
        </Chart:C1FlexPie.DataLabel>
    </Chart:C1FlexPie>
</Grid>
```

Code

C#

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```
flexPie.LegendOrientation = C1.Chart.Orientation.Horizontal;
flexPie.LegendPosition = C1.Chart.Position.Bottom;
```



Selection

You can choose what element of **FlexPie** is selected when you click anywhere on the control by setting the `SelectionMode` property. This property provides three options:

- **None:** Does not select any element.
- **Point:** Highlights the pie slice that the user clicks.
- **Series:** Highlights the entire pie.

After setting the `SelectionMode` property to `Point`, you can change the position of the selected pie slice by setting the `SelectedItemPosition` property. And also, you can move the selected pie slice away from the center of `FlexPie` by setting the `SelectedItemOffset` property.

XAML

```
<Grid>
  <Chart:C1FlexPie
    x:Name="flexPie"
    InnerRadius="0.5"
    Offset="0.5"
    Header="Fruit Sales Data"
    Footer="2015"
    LegendOrientation="Horizontal"
    LegendPosition="Bottom"
    SelectionMode="Point"
    SelectedItemPosition="Top"
    SelectedItemOffset="2"
    Margin="95,99,328,275"
    Binding="April"
    BindingName="Fruit"
    ItemsSource="{Binding DataContext.Data}">
    <Chart:C1FlexPie.SelectionStyle>
      <Chart:ChartStyle Stroke="Red"
        StrokeThickness="2"/>
    </Chart:C1FlexPie.SelectionStyle>
    <Chart:C1FlexPie.DataLabel>
```

```

        <Chart:PieDataLabel Content="{{y}}"/>
    </Chart:C1FlexPie.DataLabel>
</Chart:C1FlexPie>
</Grid>

```

Code

C#

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```

flexPie.SelectionMode = C1.Chart.ChartSelectionMode.Point;
flexPie.SelectedItemPosition = C1.Chart.Position.Top;
flexPie.SelectedItemOffset = 2;

```



- Oranges
- Apples
- Pears
- Bananas

Data Labels

Data labels provide additional information about the data points. These labels make a chart easier to understand because they show details about a slice in the pie.

To understand the working of data labels in FlexPie chart, refer to the following sections.

[Adding and Positioning Data Labels](#)

Learn how to add data labels and set their position on the chart.

[Formatting Data Labels](#)

Learn how to perform styling and formatting of data labels.

[Managing Overlapped Data Labels](#)

Learn how to manage overlapping data labels in FlexPie chart.

Adding and Positioning Labels

With FlexPie chart, you can configure the arrangement and display properties for data labels depending on what suits your needs the best. By default, the data labels are not displayed on the chart, however, you can enable them by setting the `Position` and `Content` properties of `DataLabel` class.

The example code below uses the `Position` and `Content` properties to enable data labels and set their position.

XAML

```

<c1:C1FlexPie.DataLabel> <c1:PieDataLabel Content="{{y}}" Position="Circular"/>

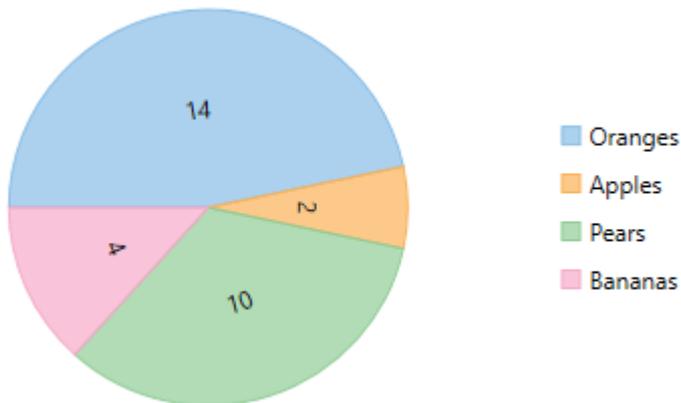
```

```
</c1:C1FlexPie.DataLabel>
```

Code

HTML

```
flexPie.DataLabel.Content = "{{y}}";  
flexPie.DataLabel.Position = C1.Chart.PieLabelPosition.Circular;
```



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Formatting Data Labels

FlexPie provides various options to format data labels according to your requirements. You can use connecting lines to connect the data labels, set and style borders of data labels, and customize the appearance of data labels.

The topic comprises of three sections:

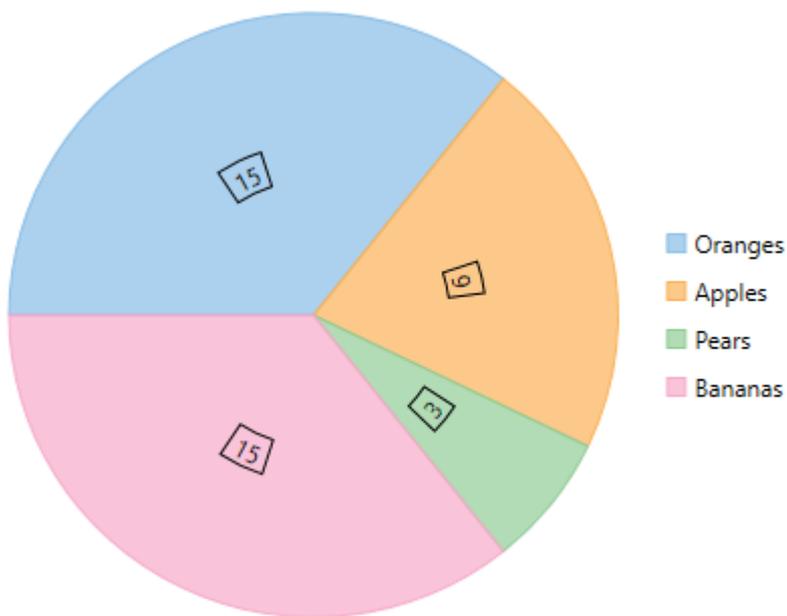
- **Setting and Styling Borders**
- **Connecting DataLabels to Data Points**
- **Modifying Appearance**

Setting and Styling Borders

To add and style borders to FlexPie data labels, set the `Border` and `BorderStyle` properties provided by `DataLabel` class. Use the following code snippet to add borders to data labels of FlexPie.

C#

```
// Enable Border  
flexPie.DataLabel.Border = true;
```



Connecting DataLabels to Data Points

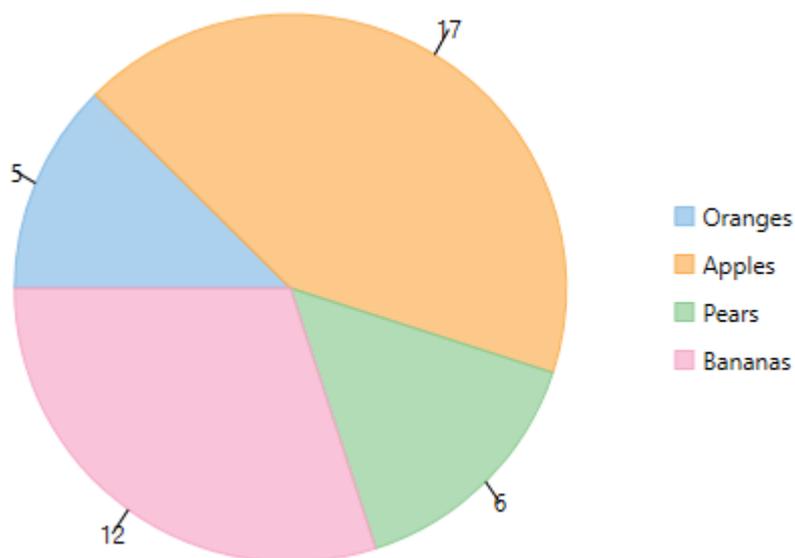
In case the data labels are placed away from the data points, you can connect them using connecting lines.

To enable connecting lines in FlexPie chart, you need to use the [ConnectingLine](#) property.

Use the following code snippet to set the connecting lines.

C#

```
//Enable connecting line  
flexPie.DataLabel.ConnectingLine = true;
```



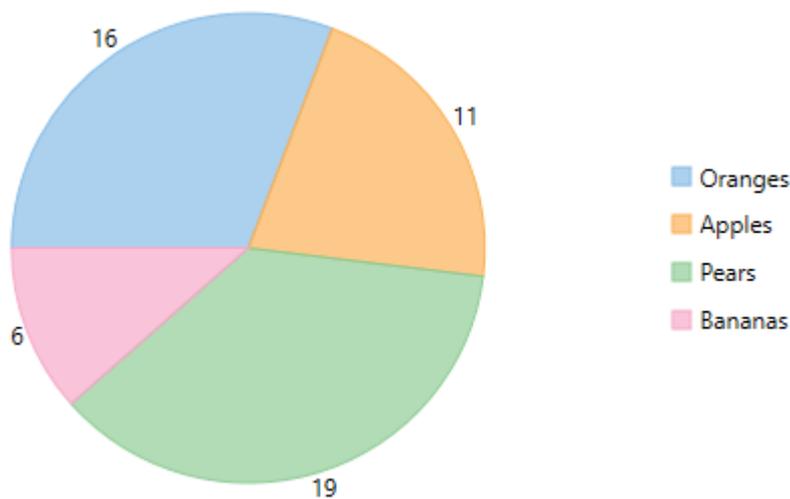
Modifying Appearance

FlexPie includes various styling options, to enhance the clarity of data labels. To modify the appearance of FlexPie chart, you need to use the [Style](#) property. It allows you to modify the font family, fill color, use stroke brush for data labels, set width for stroke brush and more.

In the example code, we have modified the font used in the chart and set the stroke width property. Use the following code snippet to modify the appearance of the chart.

C#

```
// Modifying appearance of data labels
flexPie.DataLabel.Style.FontFamily = new FontFamily("GenericSerif");
flexPie.DataLabel.Style.StrokeThickness = 2;
```



Manage Overlapped Data Labels

A common issue pertaining to charts is overlapping of data labels that represent data points. In most cases, overlapping occurs due to long text in data labels or large numbers of data points.

To manage overlapped data labels in FlexPie chart, you can make use of [Overlapping](#) property provided by [PieDataLabel](#) class. The [Overlapping](#) property accepts the following values from the [PieLabelOverlapping](#) enumeration.

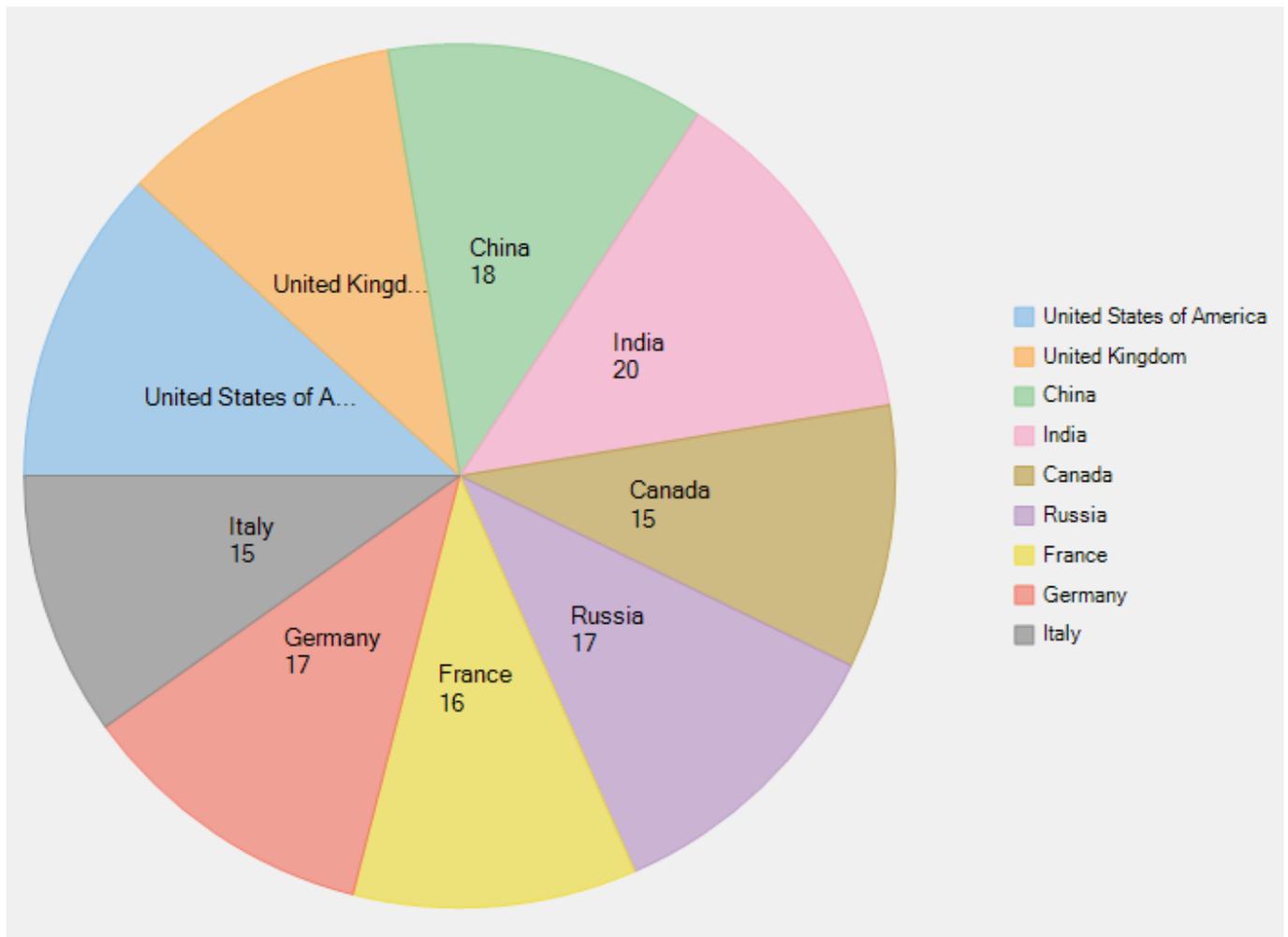
Enumeration	Description
PieLabelOverlapping.Default	Show all labels including the overlapping ones.
PieLabelOverlapping.Hide	Hides the overlapping labels, if its content is larger than the corresponding pie segment.
PieLabelOverlapping.Trim	Trim overlapping data labels, if its width is larger than the corresponding pie segment.

Use the following code to manage overlapping data labels.

C#

```
//Set Overlapping property
flexPie.DataLabel.Overlapping = C1.Chart.PieLabelOverlapping.Trim;
```

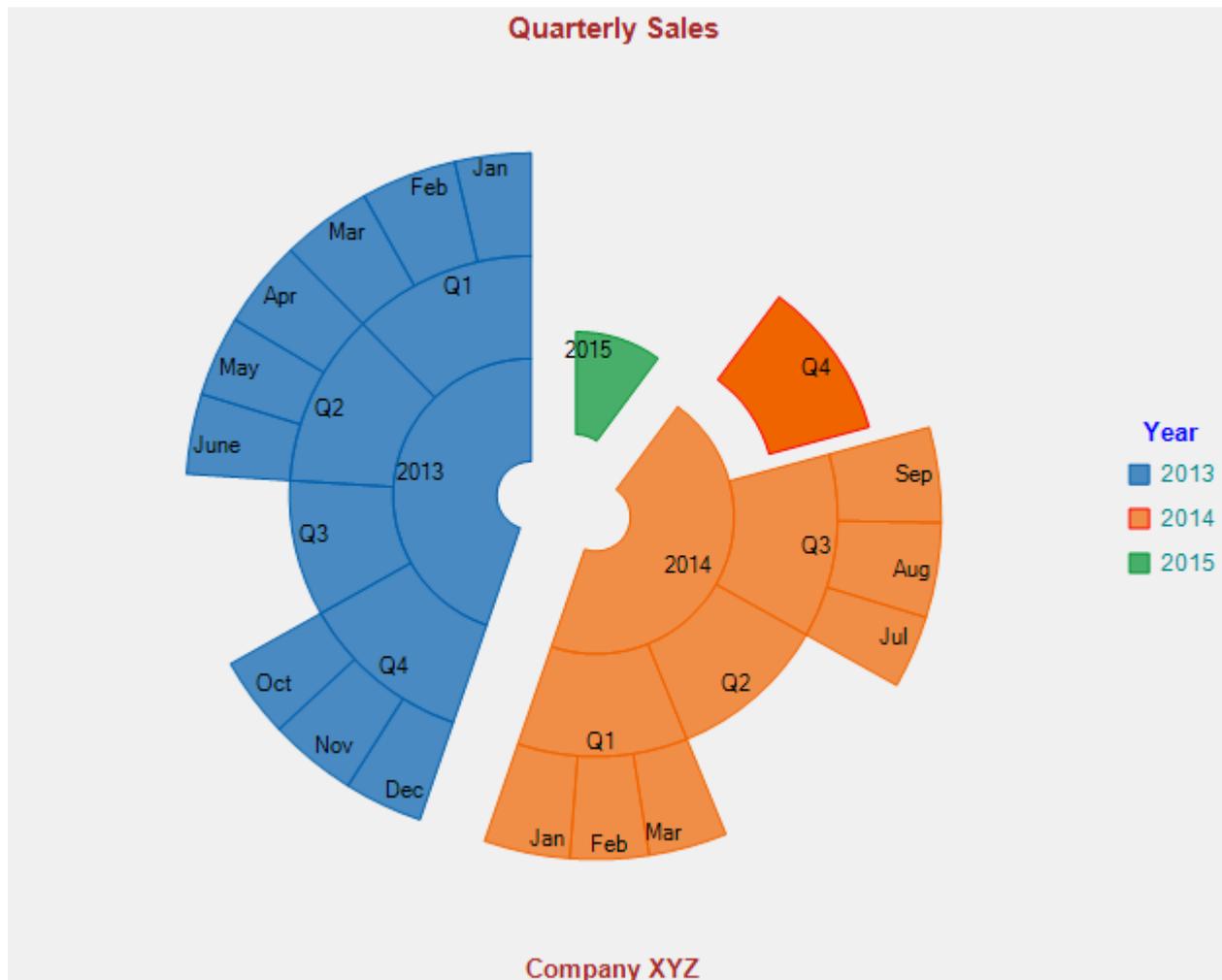
The following image shows how FlexPie appears after setting the Overlapping property.



Sunburst Chart

Sunburst, also known as a multi-level pie chart, is ideal for visualizing multi-level hierarchical data depicted by concentric circles. The circle in the center represents the root node, with the data moving outside from the center. A section of the inner circle supports a hierarchical relationship to those sections of the outer circle which lie within the angular area of the parent section.

Using Sunburst chart helps the end user to visualize the relationship between outer rings and inner rings. For instance, you might want to display sales report for each quarter of three years. Using SunBurst chart, a sales report of a specific month can be highlighted, thereby depicting relationship with the respective quarter.



To explore the features of Sunburst chart, click the following links:

- [Quick Start](#)
- [Key Features](#)
- [Legend and Titles](#)
- [Selection](#)
- [Drilldown](#)

Quick Start

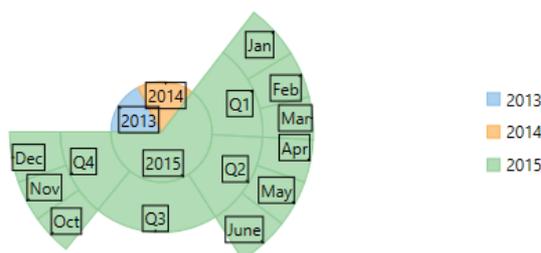
This quick start is intended to guide you through a step-by-step process of creating a simple Sunburst application and running the same in Visual Studio.

To quickly get started with Sunburst chart and observe how it appears on running the application, follow these steps:

1. **Add Sunburst Chart to the Application**
2. **Bind Sunburst Chart to a Data Source**

3. Run the Application

The following image displays how a basic Sunburst chart appears after completing the steps mentioned above.



Step 1: Add Sunburst Chart to the Application

1. Create a **WPF Application** in Visual Studio.
2. Drag and drop the **C1Sunburst** control to the MainWindow.

The following dlls are automatically added to the application:

C1.WPF.4.dll

C1.WPF.DX.4.dll

C1.WPF.FlexChart.4.dll

The XAML markup resembles the following code in the **<Grid></Grid>** tags.

```

o XAML
<cl:C1Sunburst x:Name="flexPie"
  Binding="Value"
  BindingName="Name"
  HorizontalAlignment="Left"
  Height="300"
  VerticalAlignment="Top"
  Width="300">
  <cl:C1Sunburst.ItemsSource>
    <cl:FlexPieSliceCollection>
      <cl:FlexPieSlice Name="Slice1" Value="1"/>
      <cl:FlexPieSlice Name="Slice2" Value="2"/>
      <cl:FlexPieSlice Name="Slice3" Value="3"/>
      <cl:FlexPieSlice Name="Slice4" Value="4"/>
    </cl:FlexPieSliceCollection>
  </cl:C1Sunburst.ItemsSource>
</cl:C1Sunburst>

```

Step 2: Bind Sunburst Chart to a Data Source

In this step, first create a class **DataService** that generates random sales data for four quarters, namely Q1, Q2, Q3, and Q4 in 2013, 2014, and 2015. Next, bind Sunburst to the created class using the **ItemsSource** property provided by the **FlexChartBase** class. Then, specify numeric values and labels for the Sunburst slices using the **Binding** and the **BindingName** property, respectively of the **FlexChartBase** and the **C1FlexPie** class.

1. Add a class, **DataService** and add the following code.

```

o Visual Basic
Imports System.Collections.Generic
Imports System.Linq
Imports System.Text
Imports System.Threading.Tasks

Public Class DataService
  Private rnd As New Random()
  Shared _default As DataService

  Public Shared ReadOnly Property Instance() As DataService
    Get
      If _default Is Nothing Then
        _default = New DataService()
      End If
      Return _default
    End Get
  End Property

  Public Shared Function CreateHierarchicalData() As List(Of DataItem)
    Dim rnd As Random = Instance.rnd

    Dim years As New List(Of String) ()
    Dim times As New List(Of List(Of String)) () From {
      New List(Of String) () From {
        "Jan",
        "Feb",
        "Mar"
      },
      New List(Of String) () From {
        "Apr",
        "May",

```

```

        "June"
    },
    New List(Of String)() From {
        "Jul",
        "Aug",
        "Sep"
    },
    New List(Of String)() From {
        "Oct",
        "Nov",
        "Dec"
    }
}

Dim items As New List(Of DataItem)()
Dim yearLen = Math.Max(CInt(Math.Round(Math.Abs(5 - Instance.rnd.NextDouble() * 10))), 3)
Dim currentYear As Integer = DateTime.Now.Year
For i As Integer = yearLen To 1 Step -1
    years.Add((currentYear - i).ToString())
Next
Dim quarterAdded = False

years.ForEach(
    Function(y)
        Dim i = years.IndexOf(y)
        Dim addQuarter = Instance.rnd.NextDouble() > 0.5
        If Not quarterAdded AndAlso i = years.Count - 1 Then
            addQuarter = True
        End If
        Dim year = New DataItem() With {
            .Year = y
        }
        If addQuarter Then
            quarterAdded = True
            times.ForEach(Function(q)
                Dim addMonth = Instance.rnd.NextDouble() > 0.5
                Dim idx As Integer = times.IndexOf(q)
                Dim quar As String = "Q" + (idx + 1).ToString()
                Dim quarters = New DataItem() With {
                    .Year = y,
                    .Quarter = quar
                }
                If addMonth Then
                    q.ForEach(
                        Function(m)
                            quarters.Items.Add(New DataItem() With {
                                .Year = y,
                                .Quarter = quar,
                                .Month = m,
                                .Value = rnd.[Next](20, 30)
                            })
                        End Function)
                Else
                    quarters.Value = rnd.[Next](80, 100)
                End If
                year.Items.Add(quarters)
            End Function)
        Else
            year.Value = rnd.[Next](80, 100)
        End If
        items.Add(year)
    End Function)

Return items
End Function

Public Shared Function CreateFlatData() As List(Of FlatDataItem)
    Dim rnd As Random = Instance.rnd
    Dim years As New List(Of String)()
    Dim times As New List(Of List(Of String))() From {
        New List(Of String)() From {
            "Jan",
            "Feb",
            "Mar"
        },
        New List(Of String)() From {
            "Apr",
            "May",
            "June"
        },
        New List(Of String)() From {
            "Jul",
            "Aug",
            "Sep"
        },
        New List(Of String)() From {
            "Oct",

```

```

        "Nov",
        "Dec"
    }
}

Dim items As New List(Of FlatDataItem) ()
Dim yearLen = Math.Max(CInt(Math.Round(Math.Abs(5 - rnd.NextDouble() * 10))), 3)
Dim currentYear As Integer = DateTime.Now.Year
For i As Integer = yearLen To 1 Step -1
    years.Add((currentYear - i).ToString())
Next
Dim quarterAdded = False
years.ForEach(
    Function(y)
        Dim i = years.IndexOf(y)
        Dim addQuarter = rnd.NextDouble() > 0.5
        If Not quarterAdded AndAlso i = years.Count - 1 Then
            addQuarter = True
        End If
        If addQuarter Then
            quarterAdded = True
            times.ForEach(Function(q)
                Dim addMonth = rnd.NextDouble() > 0.5
                Dim idx As Integer = times.IndexOf(q)
                Dim quar As String = "Q" + (idx + 1).ToString()
                If addMonth Then
                    q.ForEach(Function(m)
                        items.Add(New FlatDataItem() With {
                            .Year = y,
                            .Quarter = quar,
                            .Month = m,
                            .Value = rnd.[Next](30, 40)
                        })
                    End Function)
                Else
                    items.Add(New FlatDataItem() With {
                        .Year = y,
                        .Quarter = quar,
                        .Value = rnd.[Next](80, 100)
                    })
                End If
            End Function)
        Else
            items.Add(New FlatDataItem() With {
                .Year = y.ToString(),
                .Value = rnd.[Next](80, 100)
            })
        End If
    End Function)

Return items
End Function
End Class
o C#
using System;
using System.Collections.Generic;
using System.Linq;
using System.Text;
using System.Threading.Tasks;

namespace SunburstQuickStart
{
    public class DataService
    {
        Random rnd = new Random();
        static DataService _default;

        public static DataService Instance
        {
            get
            {
                if (_default == null)
                {
                    _default = new DataService();
                }

                return _default;
            }
        }

        public static List<DataItem> CreateHierarchicalData()
        {
            Random rnd = Instance.rnd;

            List<string> years = new List<string>();
            List<List<string>> times = new List<List<string>>()

```

```

{
    new List<string>() { "Jan", "Feb", "Mar"},
    new List<string>() { "Apr", "May", "June"},
    new List<string>() { "Jul", "Aug", "Sep"},
    new List<string>() { "Oct", "Nov", "Dec" }
};

List<DataItem> items = new List<DataItem>();
var yearLen = Math.Max((int)Math.Round(Math.Abs(5 - Instance.rnd.NextDouble() * 10)), 3);
int currentYear = DateTime.Now.Year;
for (int i = yearLen; i > 0; i--)
{
    years.Add((currentYear - i).ToString());
}
var quarterAdded = false;
years.ForEach(y =>
{
    var i = years.IndexOf(y);
    var addQuarter = Instance.rnd.NextDouble() > 0.5;
    if (!quarterAdded && i == years.Count - 1)
    {
        addQuarter = true;
    }
    var year = new DataItem() { Year = y };
    if (addQuarter)
    {
        quarterAdded = true;
        times.ForEach(q =>
        {
            var addMonth = Instance.rnd.NextDouble() > 0.5;
            int idx = times.IndexOf(q);
            var quar = "Q" + (idx + 1);
            var quarters = new DataItem() { Year = y, Quarter = quar };
            if (addMonth)
            {
                q.ForEach(m =>
                {
                    quarters.Items.Add(new DataItem()
                    {
                        Year = y,
                        Quarter = quar,
                        Month = m,
                        Value = rnd.Next(20, 30)
                    });
                });
            }
            else
            {
                quarters.Value = rnd.Next(80, 100);
            }
            year.Items.Add(quarters);
        });
    }
    else
    {
        year.Value = rnd.Next(80, 100);
    }
    items.Add(year);
});
return items;
}

public static List<FlatDataItem> CreateFlatData()
{
    Random rnd = Instance.rnd;
    List<string> years = new List<string>();
    List<List<string>> times = new List<List<string>>()
    {
        new List<string>() { "Jan", "Feb", "Mar"},
        new List<string>() { "Apr", "May", "June"},
        new List<string>() { "Jul", "Aug", "Sep"},
        new List<string>() { "Oct", "Nov", "Dec" }
    };

    List<FlatDataItem> items = new List<FlatDataItem>();
    var yearLen = Math.Max((int)Math.Round(Math.Abs(5 - rnd.NextDouble() * 10)), 3);
    int currentYear = DateTime.Now.Year;
    for (int i = yearLen; i > 0; i--)
    {
        years.Add((currentYear - i).ToString());
    }
    var quarterAdded = false;
    years.ForEach(y =>
    {
        var i = years.IndexOf(y);
        var addQuarter = rnd.NextDouble() > 0.5;
        if (!quarterAdded && i == years.Count - 1)
        {

```

```

        addQuarter = true;
    }
    if (addQuarter)
    {
        quarterAdded = true;
        times.ForEach(q =>
        {
            var addMonth = rnd.NextDouble() > 0.5;
            int idx = times.IndexOf(q);
            var quar = "Q" + (idx + 1);
            if (addMonth)
            {
                q.ForEach(m =>
                {
                    items.Add(new FlatDataItem()
                    {
                        Year = y,
                        Quarter = quar,
                        Month = m,
                        Value = rnd.Next(30, 40)
                    });
                });
            }
            else
            {
                items.Add(new FlatDataItem()
                {
                    Year = y,
                    Quarter = quar,
                    Value = rnd.Next(80, 100)
                });
            }
        });
    }
    else
    {
        items.Add(new FlatDataItem()
        {
            Year = y.ToString(),
            Value = rnd.Next(80, 100)
        });
    }
});
return items;
}
}
}

```

2. Add a class, **SunburstViewModel** and add the following code.

```

    o Visual Basic
Imports Cl.Chart
Imports System.Linq
Imports System.Collections.Generic
Public Class SunburstViewModel

    Public ReadOnly Property HierarchicalData() As List(Of DataItem)
        Get
            Return DataService.CreateHierarchicalData()
        End Get
    End Property

    Public ReadOnly Property FlatData() As List(Of FlatDataItem)
        Get
            Return DataService.CreateFlatData()
        End Get
    End Property

    Public ReadOnly Property Positions() As List(Of String)
        Get
            Return [Enum].GetNames(GetType(Position)).ToList()
        End Get
    End Property

    Public ReadOnly Property Palettes() As List(Of String)
        Get
            Return [Enum].GetNames(GetType(Palette)).ToList()
        End Get
    End Property
End Class

    o C#
using Cl.Chart;
using System;
using System.Linq;
using System.Collections.Generic;

namespace SunburstQuickStart
{
    public class SunburstViewModel
    {

```

```

    public List<DataItem> HierarchicalData
    {
        get
        {
            return DataService.CreateHierarchicalData();
        }
    }

    public List<FlatDataItem> FlatData
    {
        get
        {
            return DataService.CreateFlatData();
        }
    }

    public List<string> Positions
    {
        get
        {
            return Enum.GetNames(typeof(Position)).ToList();
        }
    }

    public List<string> Palettes
    {
        get
        {
            return Enum.GetNames(typeof(Palette)).ToList();
        }
    }
}
}

```

3. Add a class, **DataItem** and add the following code.

```

    o Visual Basic
    Public Class DataItem
        Private _items As List(Of DataItem)

        Public Property Year() As String
        Get
            Return m_Year
        End Get
        Set
            m_Year = Value
        End Set
        End Property
        Private m_Year As String
        Public Property Quarter() As String
        Get
            Return m_Quarter
        End Get
        Set
            m_Quarter = Value
        End Set
        End Property
        Private m_Quarter As String
        Public Property Month() As String
        Get
            Return m_Month
        End Get
        Set
            m_Month = Value
        End Set
        End Property
        Private m_Month As String
        Public Property Value() As Double
        Get
            Return m_Value
        End Get
        Set
            m_Value = Value
        End Set
        End Property
        Private m_Value As Double
        Public ReadOnly Property Items() As List(Of DataItem)
        Get
            If _items Is Nothing Then
                _items = New List(Of DataItem)()
            End If

            Return _items
        End Get
        End Property
    End Class

    Public Class FlatDataItem
        Public Property Year() As String
        Get
            Return m_Year
        End Get
    End Class

```

```

        Set
            m_Year = Value
        End Set
    End Property
    Private m_Year As String
    Public Property Quarter() As String
        Get
            Return m_Quarter
        End Get
        Set
            m_Quarter = Value
        End Set
    End Property
    Private m_Quarter As String
    Public Property Month() As String
        Get
            Return m_Month
        End Get
        Set
            m_Month = Value
        End Set
    End Property
    Private m_Month As String
    Public Property Value() As Double
        Get
            Return m_Value
        End Get
        Set
            m_Value = Value
        End Set
    End Property
    Private m_Value As Double
End Class

```

o **C#**

```

using System;
using System.Collections.Generic;
using System.Linq;
using System.Text;
using System.Threading.Tasks;

namespace SunburstQuickStart
{
    public class DataItem
    {
        List<DataItem> _items;

        public string Year { get; set; }
        public string Quarter { get; set; }
        public string Month { get; set; }
        public double Value { get; set; }
        public List<DataItem> Items
        {
            get
            {
                if (_items == null)
                {
                    _items = new List<DataItem>();
                }

                return _items;
            }
        }

        public class FlatDataItem
        {
            public string Year { get; set; }
            public string Quarter { get; set; }
            public string Month { get; set; }
            public double Value { get; set; }
        }
    }
}

```

4. Add a class, **Converter** and add the following code.

o **Visual Basic**

```

Imports Cl.Chart
Imports System.Collections.Generic
Imports System.Globalization
Imports System.Linq
Imports System.Text
Imports System.Threading.Tasks
Imports System.Windows.Data
Public Class EnumToStringConverter
    Implements IValueConverter
    Public Function Convert(value As Object,
                           targetType As Type,
                           parameter As Object,
                           culture As CultureInfo) As Object
        Return value.ToString()
    End Function

```

```

Public Function ConvertBack(value As Object,
    targetType As Type,
    parameter As Object,
    culture As CultureInfo) As Object
    If targetType = GetType(Position) Then
        Return DirectCast([Enum].Parse(GetType(Position),
            value.ToString(),
            Position))
    Else
        Return DirectCast([Enum].Parse(GetType(Palette),
            value.ToString(),
            Palette))
    End If
End Function

Private Function IValueConverter_Convert(value As Object,
    targetType As Type,
    parameter As Object,
    culture As CultureInfo) As Object Implements IValueConverter.Convert
    Throw New NotImplementedException()
End Function

Private Function IValueConverter_ConvertBack(value As Object,
    targetType As Type,
    parameter As Object,
    culture As CultureInfo) As Object Implements IValueConverter.ConvertBack
    Throw New NotImplementedException()
End Function
End Class

```

o **C#**

```

using Cl.Chart;
using System;
using System.Collections.Generic;
using System.Globalization;
using System.Linq;
using System.Text;
using System.Threading.Tasks;
using System.Windows.Data;

namespace SunburstQuickStart
{
    public class EnumToStringConverter : IValueConverter
    {
        public object Convert(object value, Type targetType, object parameter, CultureInfo culture)
        {
            return value.ToString();
        }

        public object ConvertBack(object value, Type targetType, object parameter, CultureInfo culture)
        {
            if (targetType == typeof(Position))
                return (Position)Enum.Parse(typeof(Position), value.ToString());
            else
                return (Palette)Enum.Parse(typeof(Palette), value.ToString());
        }
    }
}

```

5. Edit the XAML code to provide data to Sunburst.

o **XAML**

```

<Window
    xmlns="http://schemas.microsoft.com/winfx/2006/xaml/presentation"
    xmlns:x="http://schemas.microsoft.com/winfx/2006/xaml"
    xmlns:d="http://schemas.microsoft.com/expression/blend/2008"
    xmlns:mc="http://schemas.openxmlformats.org/markup-compatibility/2006"
    xmlns:local="clr-namespace:SunburstQuickStart"
    xmlns:c1="http://schemas.componentone.com/winfx/2006/xaml"
    x:Class="SunburstQuickStart.MainWindow"
    mc:Ignorable="d"
    Title="MainWindow" Height="800" Width="691.337">
    <Grid Margin="0,0,0,-120">
        <Grid.Resources>
            <local:EnumToStringConverter x:Key="PaletteConverter" />
        </Grid.Resources>
        <Grid.DataContext>
            <local:SunburstViewModel />
        </Grid.DataContext>
        <c1:C1Sunburst x:Name="sunburst"
            Offset="0"
            ItemsSource="{Binding HierarchicalData}"
            Binding="Value"
            BindingName="Year,Quarter,Month"
            ChildItemsPath="Items"
            ToolTipContent="{{}{name}&#x000A;{y}"
            Margin="0,121,73,0" >
            <c1:C1Sunburst.DataLabel>
                <c1:PieDataLabel Position="Inside"
                    Content="{{}{name}"

```

```
                ConnectingLine="True"  
                Border="True">  
        </c1:PieDataLabel>  
    </c1:C1Sunburst.DataLabel>  
</c1:C1Sunburst>  
</Grid>  
</Window>
```

Step 3: Running the Application

Press F5 to run the application and observe how Sunburst chart appears.

Key Features

The Sunburst control includes a number of features that make it efficient and useful for creating professional-looking applications.

- **Doughnut Sunburst chart:** Create a doughnut Sunburst chart by setting the [InnerRadius](#) property that has a default value of zero. Setting this property to a value greater than zero creates a hole in the middle, thereby creating the doughnut Sunburst chart.
- **Exploded Sunburst chart:** Create an exploded Sunburst chart by setting the [Offset](#) property that has a default value of zero. Setting the property pushes the slices away from the center of Sunburst chart, thereby producing the exploded Sunburst chart.
- **Reversed Sunburst chart:** Create a reversed Sunburst chart by setting the [Reversed](#) property that has False as the default value. Setting the property to True creates the reversed Sunburst chart that contains angles drawn in the counter-clockwise direction.
- **Start angle:** Set the start angle by setting the [StartAngle](#) property that accepts values of the double type. A start angle is the angle that is set in degrees to start drawing Sunburst slices in the clockwise direction. The default value is the 9 o'clock position.
- **Palette:** Use different color palettes to make Sunburst chart more appealing and presentable. To specify the chart palette, set the [Palette](#) property that lets you specify an array of default colors to be used when rendering slices. The property accepts values from the [Palette](#) enumeration.
- **Legend:** Perform various customizations including setting orientation, position, or styling the legend of Sunburst chart. For more information, refer to [Legend and Titles](#).
- **Header and Footer:** Use simple properties to set and customize Header and Footer of Sunburst chart. For more information, refer to [Legend and Titles](#).
- **Selection:** Change the selection mode and customize the position, appearance of the selected pie slice. For more information, refer to [Selection](#).
- **Data Labels:** Add, style, format, set the position of data labels and manage the overlapped data labels on the chart. For more information, refer [Data Labels](#).

Legend and Titles

Legend

The legend displays entries for series with their names and predefined symbols. In Sunburst, you can perform various customizations with the legend, as follows:

- **Orientation:** Set the orientation of the legend as horizontal, vertical, or automatic by using the [LegendOrientation](#) property provided by the [FlexChartBase](#) class. The property can be set to any of the values from the [Orientation](#) enumeration.
- **Position:** Set the legend on top, bottom, left, right, or let it be positioned automatically by using the [LegendPosition](#) property that accepts values from the [Position](#) enumeration. Setting the Position property to None hides the legend.
- **Styling:** Customize the overall appearance of the legend, such as setting stroke color or changing font by using styling properties accessible through the [LegendStyle](#) property. The styling properties [Stroke](#), [FontSize](#), and [FontStyle](#) are provided by the [ChartStyle](#) class.

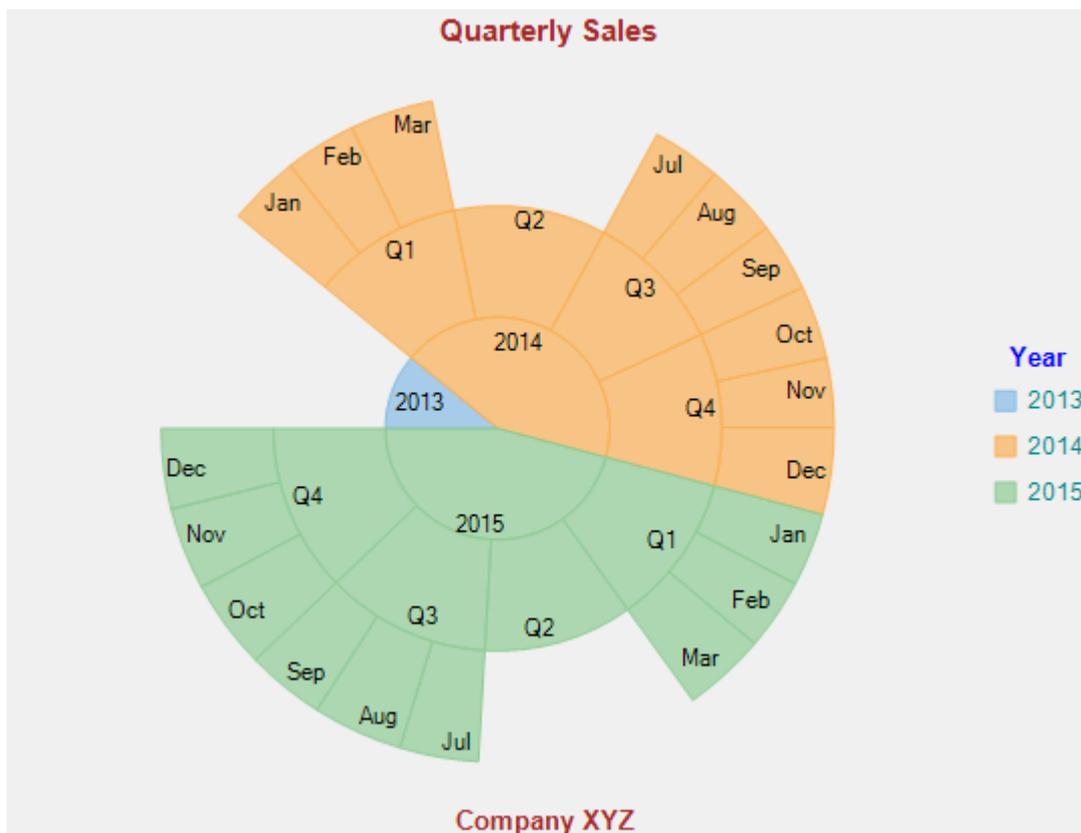
- **Title and title styling:** Specify the legend title using the `LegendTitle` property that accepts a string. Once you have set the title, you can style it using the `LegendTitleStyle` property that provides access to the customization properties of the `ChartStyle` class.

Header and Footer

Header and Footer are descriptive texts at the top and bottom of the chart that provide information about the overall chart data. You can access Header and Footer of Sunburst chart by using the `Header` and the `Footer` property respectively, of the `FlexChartBase` class. Possible customizations with Header and Footer are as follows:

- **Font:** Change the font family, font size, and font style of Header and Footer using the various font properties of the `ChartStyle` class accessible through the `HeaderStyle` or `FooterStyle` property of the `FlexChartBase` class.
- **Stroke:** Set stroke of the titles for enhanced appeal by using the `Stroke` property.

The following image displays Sunburst chart with the legend and titles set.



The following code snippet illustrates how to set respective properties for the legend and titles customization. This code uses the sample created in [Quick Start](#).

XAML

```
<c1:C1Sunburst x:Name="sunburst"
    SelectionMode="Point"
    SelectedItemOffset="0.1"
    SelectedItemPosition="Top"
    Header="Quarterly Sales"
    Footer="Company XYZ"
    Reversed="True"
    Palette="Dark"
    Offset="0.1"
    ItemsSource="{Binding HierarchicalData}"
```

```

        Binding="Value"
        BindingName="Year,Quarter,Month"
        ChildItemsPath="Items"
        ToolTipContent="{ {name}&#x000A;{y} "
        Height="439"
        VerticalAlignment="Bottom"
        LegendOrientation="Vertical"
        LegendTitle="Year" >
<c1:C1Sunburst.LegendStyle>
    <c1:ChartStyle FontFamily="Arial"
        FontSize="9"
        Stroke="DarkCyan"/>
</c1:C1Sunburst.LegendStyle>
<c1:C1Sunburst.LegendTitleStyle>
    <c1:ChartStyle FontFamily="Arial"
        FontSize="10"
        Stroke="Blue"/>
</c1:C1Sunburst.LegendTitleStyle>
<c1:C1Sunburst.HeaderStyle>
    <c1:ChartStyle FontFamily="Arial"
        FontSize="11"
        FontWeight="Bold"
        Stroke="Brown"/>
</c1:C1Sunburst.HeaderStyle>
<c1:C1Sunburst.FooterStyle>
    <c1:ChartStyle FontFamily="Arial"
        FontSize="10"
        FontWeight="Bold"
        Stroke="Brown"/>
</c1:C1Sunburst.FooterStyle>
<c1:C1Sunburst.DataLabel>
    <c1:PieDataLabel Position="Center"
        Content="{ {name} " />
</c1:C1Sunburst.DataLabel>
</c1:C1Sunburst>

```

Code

C#

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```

// set the legend orientation
sunburst.LegendOrientation = C1.Chart.Orientation.Vertical;

// set the legend position
sunburst.LegendPosition = C1.Chart.Position.Auto;

// Set the legend font
sunburst.LegendStyle.FontSize = 9;

// Set the legend font style
sunburst.LegendStyle.FontStyle = FontStyles.Normal;

// set the legend title
sunburst.LegendTitle = "Year";

// set the legend title font
sunburst.LegendTitleStyle.FontSize = 10;

```

```
// set the legend title font style
sunburst.LegendTitleStyle.FontStyle = FontStyles.Normal;

// set the header
sunburst.Header = "Quarterly Sales";

// set the header font
sunburst.HeaderStyle.FontSize = 11;

// set the header font style
sunburst.HeaderStyle.FontStyle = FontStyles.Normal;

// set the header stroke
sunburst.HeaderStyle.Stroke = Brushes.Brown;

// set the footer
sunburst.Footer = "Company XYZ";

// set the footer font size
sunburst.FooterStyle.FontSize = 10;

// set the footer font style
sunburst.FooterStyle.FontStyle = FontStyles.Normal;

// set the footer stroke
sunburst.FooterStyle.Stroke = Brushes.Brown;
```

VB

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```
' set the legend orientation
sunburst.LegendOrientation = C1.Chart.Orientation.Vertical

' set the legend position
sunburst.LegendPosition = C1.Chart.Position.Auto

' Set the legend font
sunburst.LegendStyle.FontSize = 9

' Set the legend font style
sunburst.LegendStyle.FontStyle = FontStyles.Normal

' set the legend title
sunburst.LegendTitle = "Year"

' set the legend title font
sunburst.LegendTitleStyle.FontSize = 10

' set the legend title font style
sunburst.LegendTitleStyle.FontStyle = FontStyles.Normal

' set the header
```

```
sunburst.Header = "Quarterly Sales"

' set the header font
sunburst.HeaderStyle.FontSize = 11

' set the header font style
sunburst.HeaderStyle.FontStyle = FontStyles.Normal

' set the header stroke
sunburst.HeaderStyle.Stroke = Brushes.Brown

' set the footer
sunburst.Footer = "Company XYZ"

' set the footer font size
sunburst.FooterStyle.FontSize = 10

' set the footer font style
sunburst.FooterStyle.FontStyle = FontStyles.Normal

' set the footer stroke
sunburst.FooterStyle.Stroke = Brushes.Brown
```

Selection

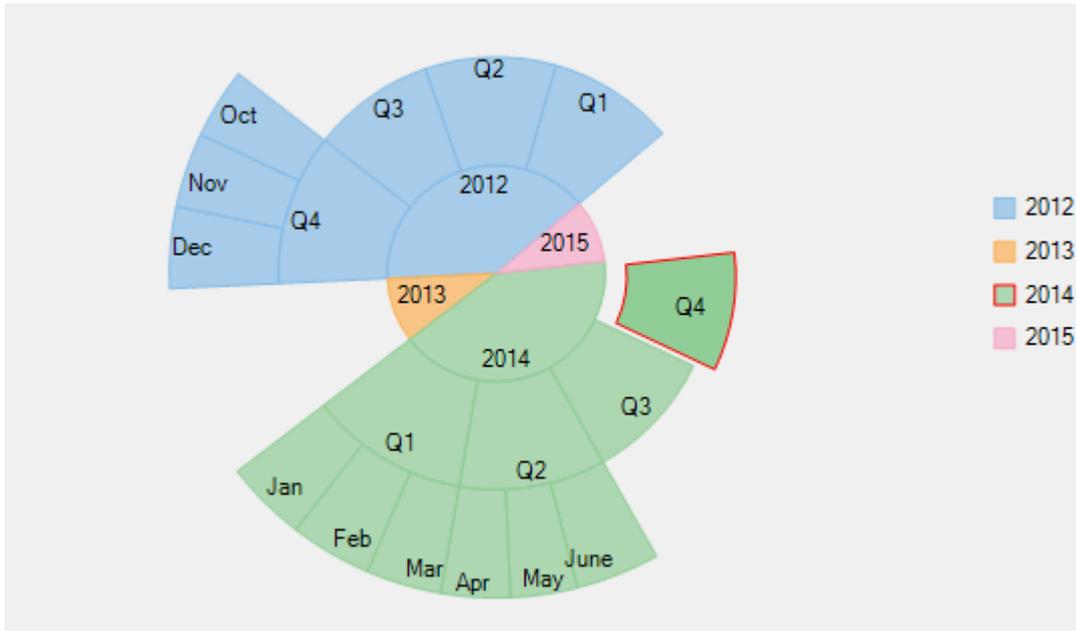
The Sunburst chart lets you select data points by clicking a Sunburst slice. You can set the [SelectionMode](#) property provided by the [FlexChartBase](#) class to either of the following values in the [ChartSelectionMode](#) enumeration:

- **None (default):** Selection is disabled.
- **Point:** A point is selected.

To customize the selection, you can use the [SelectedItemOffset](#) and the [SelectedItemPosition](#) property provided by the [C1FlexPie](#) class. The [SelectedItemOffset](#) property enables you to specify the offset of the selected Sunburst slice from the center of the control. And the [SelectedItemPosition](#) property allows you to specify the position of the selected Sunburst slice. The [SelectedItemPosition](#) property accepts values from the [Position](#) enumeration. Setting this property to a value other than 'None' causes the pie to rotate when an item is selected.

In addition, the [FlexChartBase](#) class provides the [SelectionStyle](#) property that can be used to access the properties provided by the [ChartStyle](#) class to style the Sunburst chart.

The following image displays Sunburst chart with a data point selected.



The following code snippet sets these properties:

XAML

```
<c1:C1Sunburst x:Name="sunburst"
    SelectionMode="Point"
    SelectedItemOffset="0.1"
    SelectedItemPosition="Top"
    Header="Quarterly Sales"
    Footer="Company XYZ"
    Reversed="True"
    Palette="Dark"
    Offset="0.1"
    ItemsSource="{Binding HierarchicalData}"
    Binding="Value"
    BindingName="Year,Quarter,Month"
    ChildItemsPath="Items"
    ToolTipContent="{ } {name} &#x000A; {y} "
    Height="439"
    VerticalAlignment="Bottom"
    LegendOrientation="Vertical"
    LegendTitle="Year" >
  <c1:C1Sunburst.LegendStyle>
    <c1:ChartStyle FontFamily="Arial"
      FontSize="9"
      Stroke="DarkCyan"/>
  </c1:C1Sunburst.LegendStyle>
  <c1:C1Sunburst.LegendTitleStyle>
    <c1:ChartStyle FontFamily="Arial"
      FontSize="10"
      Stroke="Blue"/>
  </c1:C1Sunburst.LegendTitleStyle>
  <c1:C1Sunburst.HeaderStyle>
    <c1:ChartStyle FontFamily="Arial"
      FontSize="11"
      FontWeight="Bold"
      Stroke="Brown"/>
  </c1:C1Sunburst.HeaderStyle>
  <c1:C1Sunburst.FooterStyle>
```

```
        <c1:ChartStyle FontFamily="Arial"
                    FontSize="10"
                    FontWeight="Bold"
                    Stroke="Brown"/>
    </c1:C1Sunburst.FooterStyle>
    <c1:C1Sunburst.DataLabel>
        <c1:PieDataLabel Position="Center"
                        Content="{{name}}" />
    </c1:C1Sunburst.DataLabel>
</c1:C1Sunburst>
```

Code

C#

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```
// set the SelectionMode property
sunburst.SelectionMode = C1.Chart.ChartSelectionMode.Point;

// set the SelectedItemOffset property
sunburst.SelectedItemOffset = 0.1;

// set the SelectedItemPosition property
sunburst.SelectedItemPosition = C1.Chart.Position.Top;
```

VB

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```
' set the SelectionMode property
sunburst.SelectionMode = C1.Chart.ChartSelectionMode.Point

' set the SelectedItemOffset property
sunburst.SelectedItemOffset = 0.1

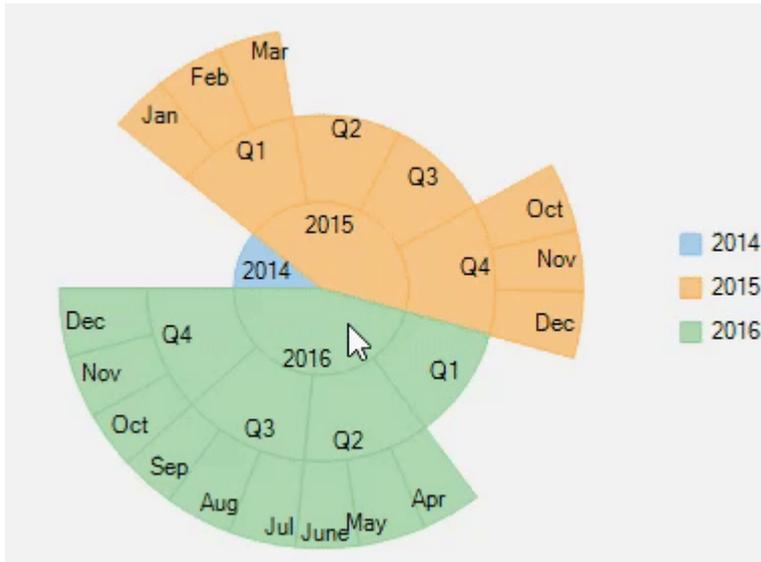
' set the SelectedItemPosition property
sunburst.SelectedItemPosition = C1.Chart.Position.Top
```

Drilldown

Drilling down data to get in to the details and access lower levels in data hierarchy of Sunburst chart can be quite helpful while analysis. Sunburst chart provides **Drilldown** property to enable the functionality of drilling down and drilling back up the data at run-time.

End users can focus and drill down a data item in a Sunburst chart by simply clicking the desired slice. Whereas, to move up in the hierarchy, users simply need to right-click in the plot area.

The following gif image demonstrates drilling-down by showing data points of the clicked Sunburst slice.



Note that drill down feature of Sunburst works only when selection of Sunburst slice is disabled, that is, [SelectionMode](#) property is set to **None**. For more information on selection, see [Selection in Sunburst](#).

Data Labels

Data labels provide additional information about the data points. These labels make a chart easier to understand because they show details about a slice in the pie.

To understand the working of data labels in Sunburst chart, refer to the following sections.

[Adding and Positioning Data Labels](#)

Learn how to add data labels and set their position on the chart.

[Formatting Data Labels](#)

Learn how to perform styling and formatting of data labels.

[Managing Overlapped Data Labels](#)

Learn how to manage overlapping data labels in Sunburst chart.

Adding and Positioning Labels

With Sunburst chart, you can configure the arrangement and display properties for data labels depending on what suits your needs the best. By default, the data labels are not displayed on the chart, however, you can enable them by setting the `Position` and `Content` properties of `DataLabel` class.

The example code below uses the `Position` and `Content` properties to enable data labels and set their position.

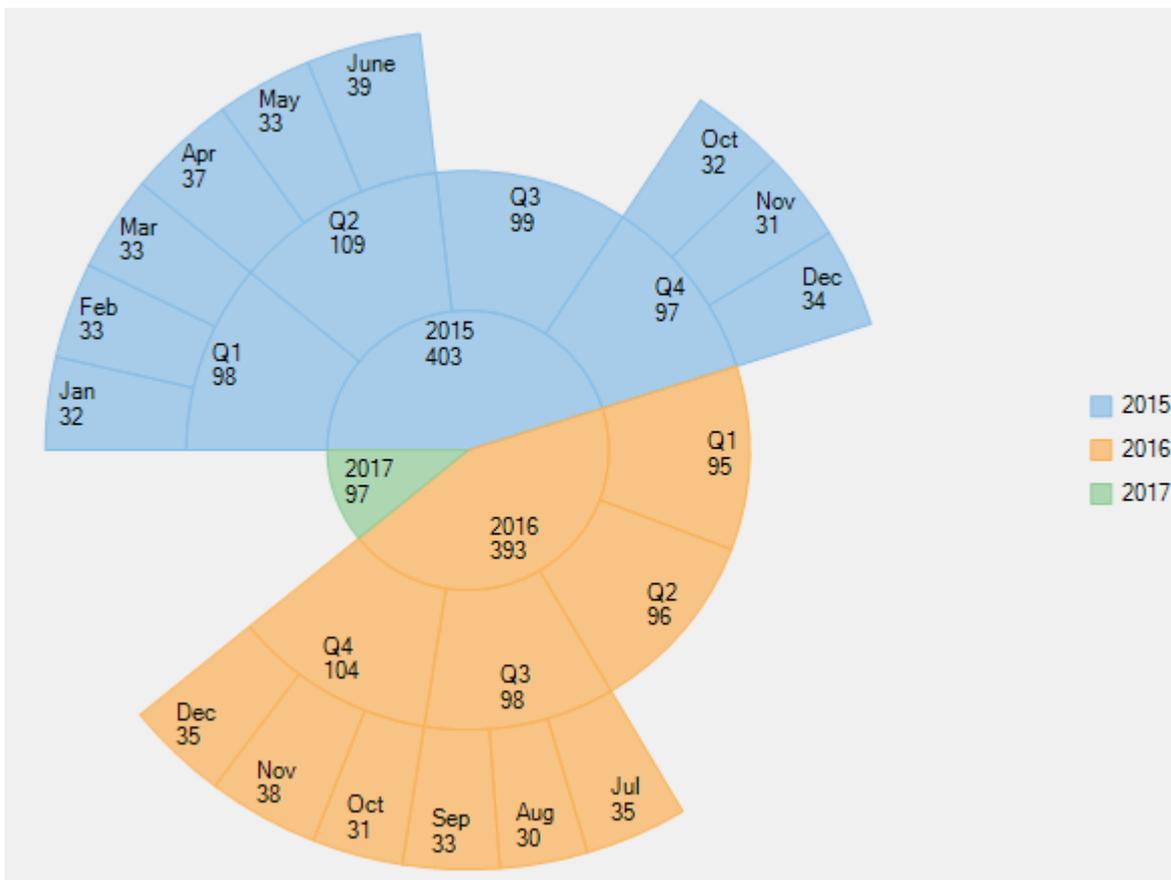
XAML

```
<c1:C1Sunburst.DataLabel>
<c1:PieDataLabel Position="Inside"
Content="{ } {name} ">
</c1:PieDataLabel>
</c1:C1Sunburst.DataLabel>
```

Code

HTML

```
sunburst.DataLabel.Content = "{Name}{value}";
sunburst.DataLabel.Position = C1.Chart.PieLabelPosition.Inside;
```



Formatting Data Labels

Sunburst provides various options to format data labels according to your requirements. You can use connecting lines to connect the data labels, set and style borders of data labels, and customize the appearance of data labels.

The topic comprises of three sections:

- **Setting and Styling Borders**
- **Connecting DataLabels to Data Points**
- **Modifying Appearance**

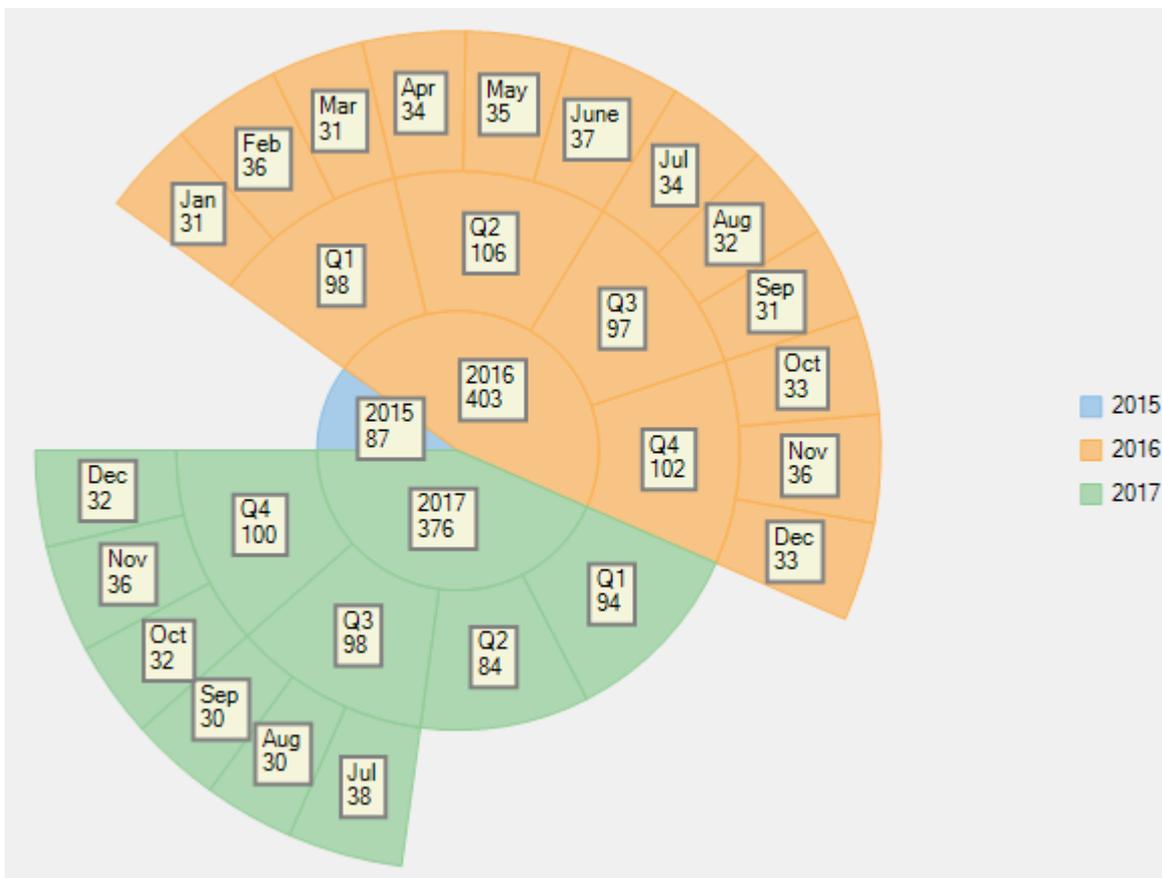
Setting and Styling Borders

To add and style borders to Sunburst data labels, set the [Border](#) and [BorderStyle](#) properties provided by [DataLabelBase](#) class.

Use the following code snippet to add borders to data labels of Sunburst.

C#

```
// Enable Border
sunburst.DataLabel.Border = true;
sunburst.DataLabel.BorderStyle.StrokeThickness = 2;
```



Connecting DataLabels to Data Points

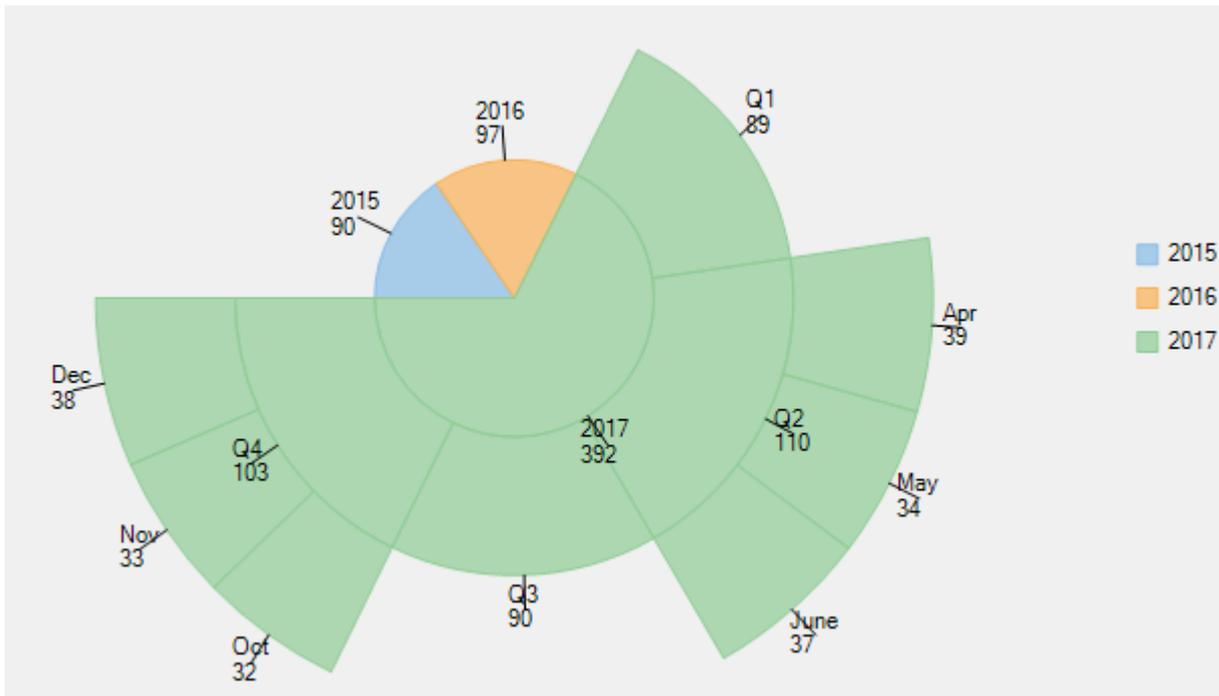
In case the data labels are placed away from the data points, you can connect them using connecting lines.

To enable connecting lines in Sunburst chart, you need to use the [ConnectingLine](#) property.

Use the following code snippet to set the connecting lines.

C#

```
//Enable connecting line
sunburst.DataLabel.ConnectingLine = true;
```



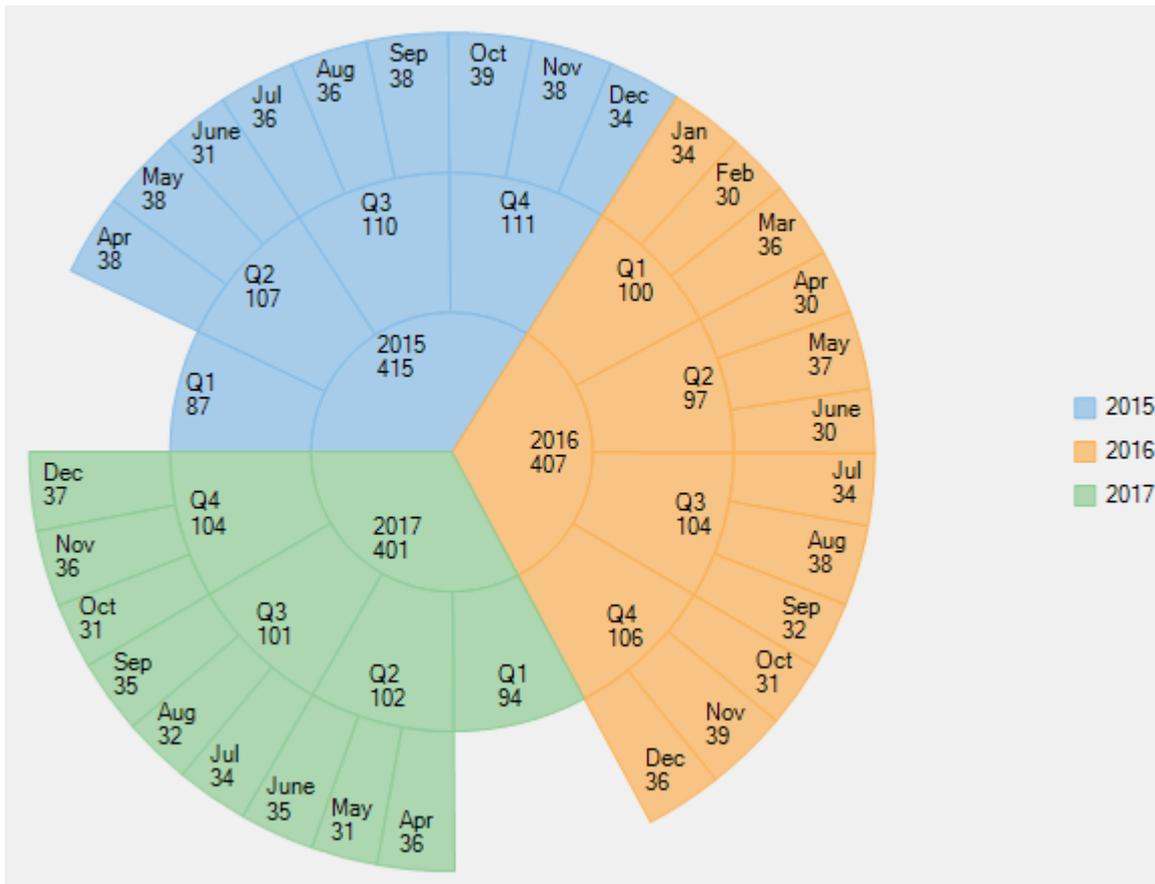
Modifying Appearance

Sunburst includes various styling options, to enhance the clarity of data labels. To modify the appearance of Sunburst chart, you need to use the [Style](#) property. It allows you to modify the font family, fill color, use stroke brush for data labels, set width for stroke brush and more.

In the example code, we have modified the font used in the chart and set the stroke width property. Use the following code snippet to modify the appearance of the chart.

C#

```
// Modifying appearance of data labels
sunburst.DataLabel.Style.FontFamily = new
FontFamily("GenericSansSerif");
sunburst.DataLabel.Style.StrokeThickness = 2;
```



Manage Overlapped Data Labels

A common issue pertaining to charts is overlapping of data labels that represent data points. In most cases, overlapping occurs due to long text in data labels or large numbers of data points.

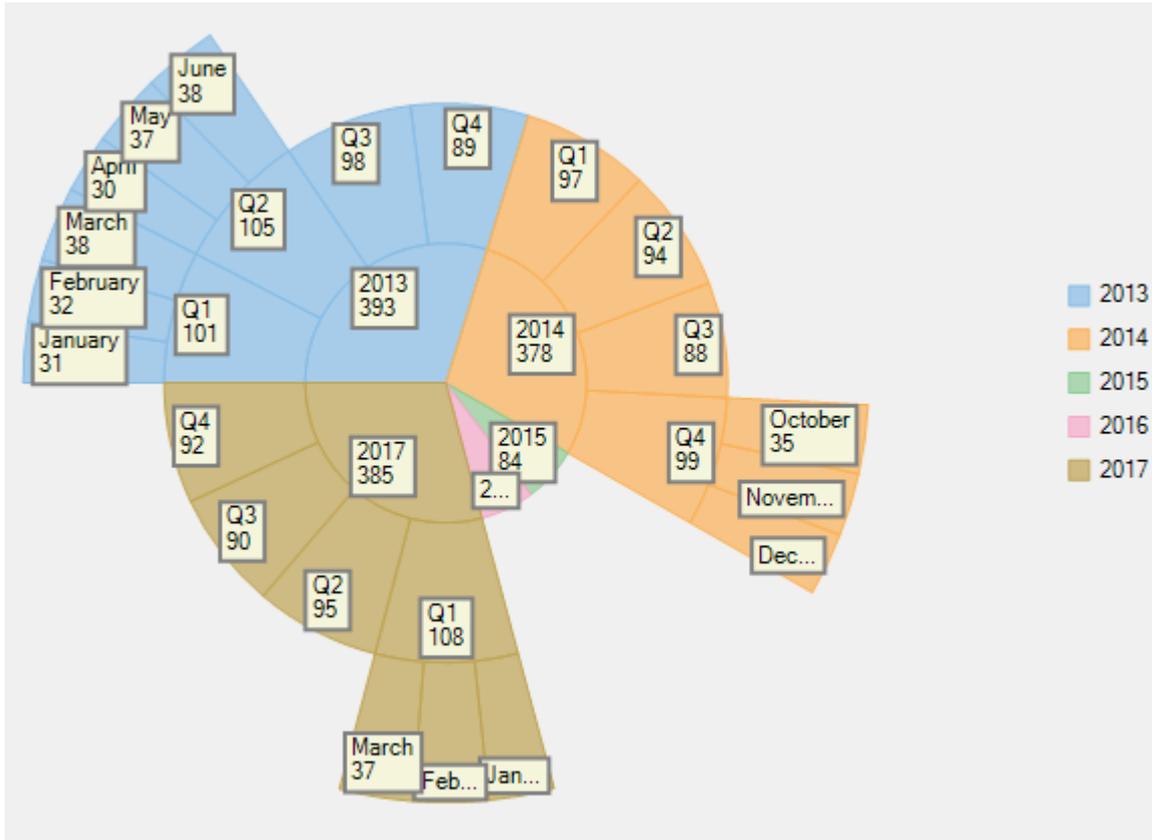
To manage overlapped data labels in Sunburst chart, you can make use of Overlapping property provided by [PieDataLabel](#) class. The Overlapping property accepts the following values from the [PieLabelOverlapping](#) enumeration.

Enumeration	Description
<code>PieLabelOverlapping.Default</code>	Show all labels including the overlapping ones.
<code>PieLabelOverlapping.Hide</code>	Hides the overlapping labels, if its content is larger than the corresponding pie segment.
<code>PieLabelOverlapping.Trim</code>	Trim overlapping data labels, if its width is larger than the corresponding pie segment.

Use the following code to manage overlapping data labels.

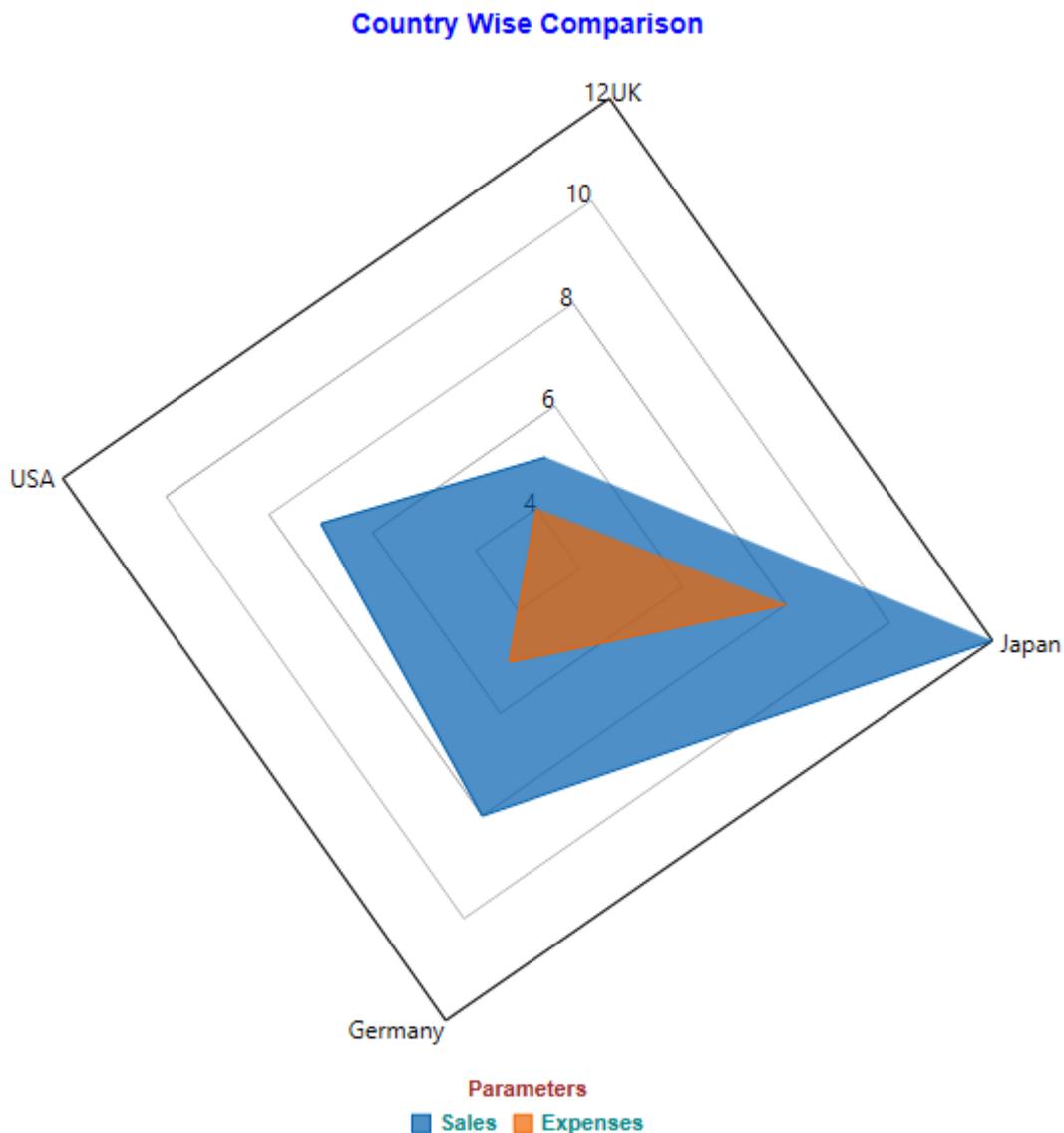
```
C#
//Set Overlapping property
sunburst.DataLabel.Overlapping = C1.Chart.PieLabelOverlapping.Trim;
```

The following image shows how Sunburst appears after setting the Overlapping property.



FlexRadar

FlexRadar is a radar chart that is also known as polar chart, star chart, web chart, or spider chart due to its appearance. The chart plots value of each category along a separate axis that starts from the center and ends on the outer ring. All axes are arranged radially, with equal distances between each other, while maintaining the same scale between all axes. Each category value is plotted along its individual axis and all the values are connected together to form a polygon. Common business applications of FlexRadar can include skill analysis of employees and product comparison. It is important to note that the FlexRadar control represents a polar chart when X values are numbers that specify angular values in degrees.



To know more about FlexRadar, click the following links:

- [Quick Start](#)
- [Key Features](#)
- [Chart Types](#)
- [Legend and Titles](#)

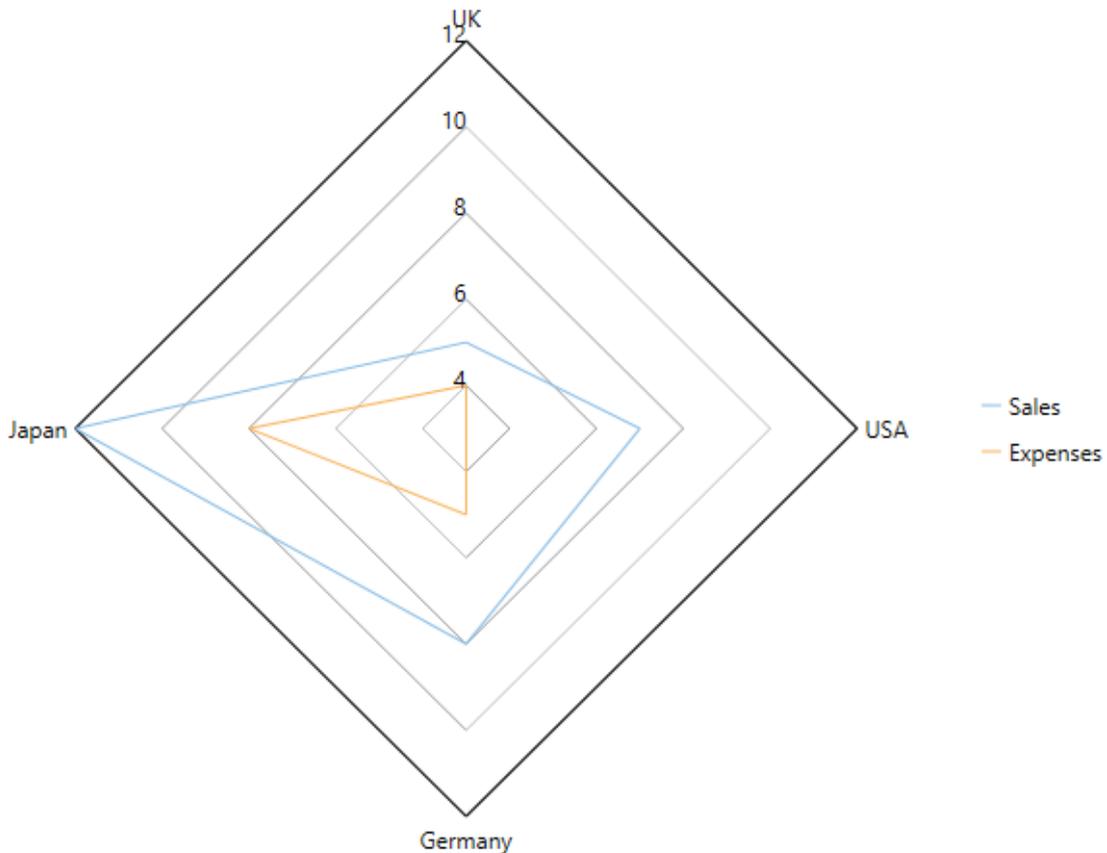
Quick Start

This quick start is intended to guide you through a step-by-step process of creating a simple FlexRadar application and running the same in Visual Studio.

To quickly get started with FlexRadar and observe how it appears on running the application, follow these steps:

1. **Add FlexRadar to the Application**
2. **Bind FlexRadar to the Data Source**
3. **Run the Application**

The following image displays how a basic FlexRadar appears after completing the steps mentioned above.



Step 1: Add FlexRadar to the Application

1. Create a **WPF Application** in Visual Studio.
2. Drag and drop the **C1FlexRadar** control from the **Toolbox** to the MainWindow. The .dll files which are automatically added to the application, are as follows:
 - o **C1.WPF.4.dll**
 - o **C1.WPF.DX.4.dll**
 - o **C1.WPF.FlexChart.4.dll**

The XAML markup resembles the following code in the **<Grid></Grid>** tags.

```

o XAML
<c1:C1FlexRadar HorizontalAlignment="Left"
                Height="100"
                Margin="0"
                VerticalAlignment="Top"
                Width="100"/>
    
```

Step 2: Bind FlexRadar to the Data Source

In this step, first create a class DataCreator that generates sales and expenses data for different countries. Next, bind

FlexRadar to the created data source using the `ItemsSource` property provided by the `FlexChartBase` class. Then, specify fields containing X values and Y values for FlexRadar using the `BindingX` and the `Binding` property, respectively.

1. Add a class, **DataCreator** and add the following code.

```

o Visual Basic
Class DataCreator
    Public Shared Function CreateData() As List(Of DataItem)
        Dim data = New List(Of DataItem) ()
        data.Add(New DataItem("UK", 5, 4))
        data.Add(New DataItem("USA", 7, 3))
        data.Add(New DataItem("Germany", 8, 5))
        data.Add(New DataItem("Japan", 12, 8))
        Return data
    End Function
End Class

Public Class DataItem
    Public Sub New(country__1 As String, sales__2 As Integer, expenses__3 As Integer)
        Country = country__1
        Sales = sales__2
        Expenses = expenses__3
    End Sub

    Public Property Country() As String
        Get
            Return m_Country
        End Get
        Set
            m_Country = Value
        End Set
    End Property
    Private m_Country As String
    Public Property Sales() As Integer
        Get
            Return m_Sales
        End Get
        Set
            m_Sales = Value
        End Set
    End Property
    Private m_Sales As Integer
    Public Property Expenses() As Integer
        Get
            Return m_Expenses
        End Get
        Set
            m_Expenses = Value
        End Set
    End Property
    Private m_Expenses As Integer
End Class

o C#
using System;
using System.Collections.Generic;
using System.Linq;
using System.Text;
using System.Threading.Tasks;

namespace FlexRadarQuickStart
{
    class DataCreator
    {
        public static List<DataItem> CreateData ()
        {

```

```

        var data = new List<DataItem>();
        data.Add(new DataItem("UK", 5, 4));
        data.Add(new DataItem("USA", 7, 3));
        data.Add(new DataItem("Germany", 8, 5));
        data.Add(new DataItem("Japan", 12, 8));
        return data;
    }
}

public class DataItem
{
    public DataItem(string country, int sales, int expenses)
    {
        Country = country;
        Sales = sales;
        Expenses = expenses;
    }

    public string Country { get; set; }
    public int Sales { get; set; }
    public int Expenses { get; set; }
}
}

```

2. Edit the XAML markup to provide data to FlexRadar.

- o **XAML**

```

<Window
    xmlns="http://schemas.microsoft.com/winfx/2006/xaml/presentation"
    xmlns:x="http://schemas.microsoft.com/winfx/2006/xaml"
    xmlns:d="http://schemas.microsoft.com/expression/blend/2008"
    xmlns:mc="http://schemas.openxmlformats.org/markup-compatibility/2006"
    xmlns:local="clr-namespace:FlexRadarQuickStart"
    xmlns:Chart="clr-namespace:C1.WPF.Chart;assembly=C1.WPF.FlexChart.4"
    x:Class="FlexRadarQuickStart.MainWindow"
    mc:Ignorable="d"
    DataContext = "{Binding RelativeSource={RelativeSource Mode=Self}}">

    <Grid>
        <Chart:C1FlexRadar ItemsSource="{Binding DataContext.Data}"
            BindingX="Country"
            Margin="84,50,216,142">
            <Chart:Series SeriesName="Sales"
                Binding="Sales"/>
            <Chart:Series SeriesName="Expenses"
                Binding="Expenses" />
        </Chart:C1FlexRadar>
    </Grid>

</Window>

```

3. Switch to **Code view** and add the following code.

- o **Visual Basic**

```

Partial Public Class MainWindow
    Inherits Window
    Private _data As List(Of DataItem)
    Public Sub New()
        Me.InitializeComponent()
        Dim flexradar As New C1.WPF.Chart.C1FlexRadar()
    End Sub

    Public ReadOnly Property Data() As List(Of DataItem)
        Get
            If _data Is Nothing Then

```

```

        _data = DataCreator.CreateData()
    End If

    Return _data
End Get
End Property
End Class

```

o **C#**

```

using System.Collections.Generic;
using System.Windows;

namespace FlexRadarQuickStart
{
    public partial class MainWindow : Window
    {
        private List<DataItem> _data;
        public MainWindow()
        {
            this.InitializeComponent();
        }

        public List<DataItem> Data
        {
            get
            {
                if (_data == null)
                {
                    _data = DataCreator.CreateData();
                }

                return _data;
            }
        }
    }
}

```

Step 3: Run the Application

Press F5 to run the application and observe the output.

Key Features

Some of the key features of FlexRadar are as follows:

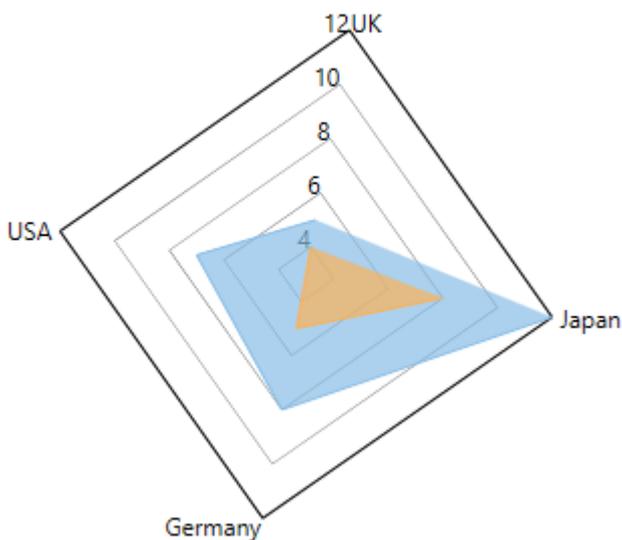
- **Reversed FlexRadar:** Create a reversed FlexRadar by setting the [Reversed](#) property to True. A reversed FlexRadar is the one in which direction of plotting is reversed.
- **Start angle:** Set the start angle of FlexRadar by setting the [StartAngle](#) property provided by the [C1FlexRadar](#) class to double type values. A start angle is the angle that is set in degrees to start drawing radial axes in the clockwise direction.
- **Header and Footer:** Use simple properties to set and customize Header and Footer of FlexRadar. For more information, refer to [Legend and Titles](#).
- **Legend:** Perform various customizations including setting orientation, position, or styling the legend of FlexRadar. For more information, refer to [Legend and Titles](#)
- **Chart types:** Visualize data using different chart types within FlexRadar. For more information, refer to [Chart Types](#).

Chart Types

FlexRadar allows you to work with different chart types to meet your data visualization needs. You can use chart types from Area to Scatter to display areas filled with colors or patterns within data depicted within FlexRadar. To set different chart types for FlexRadar, set the `ChartType` property of `C1FlexRadar` to any of the following values in the `RadarChartType` enumeration:

- **Area:** Shows area below the line filled with color.
- **Line:** Shows trends over a period of time or across categories.
- **LineSymbols:** Shows line chart with a symbol on each data point.
- **Scatter:** Shows patterns within data using X and Y coordinates.

The following image displays FlexRadar with the chart type as Area.



The following code snippet sets the `ChartType` property in code using the sample created in [Quick Start](#).

XAML

```
<Chart:C1FlexRadar Header="Country Wise Comparison"
    LegendOrientation="Vertical"
    LegendPosition="Right"
    LegendTitle="Parameters"
    ChartType="Area"
    Reversed="True"
    StartAngle="10"
    ItemsSource="{Binding DataContext.Data}"
    BindingX="Country"
    Margin="54,78,58,10" Palette="Standard">
  <Chart:C1FlexRadar.HeaderStyle>
    <Chart:ChartStyle FontFamily="Arial"
      FontSize="14"
      FontWeight="Bold"
      Stroke="Blue"/>
  </Chart:C1FlexRadar.HeaderStyle>
  <Chart:C1FlexRadar.FooterStyle>
    <Chart:ChartStyle FontFamily="Arial"
      FontSize="12"
      FontWeight="Bold"/>
  </Chart:C1FlexRadar.FooterStyle>
  <Chart:C1FlexRadar.LegendStyle>
    <Chart:ChartStyle FontFamily="Arial"
```

```
                FontSize="11"  
                FontWeight="Bold"  
                Stroke="DarkCyan"/>  
</Chart:C1FlexRadar.LegendStyle>  
<Chart:C1FlexRadar.LegendTitleStyle>  
    <Chart:ChartStyle FontFamily="Arial"  
        FontSize="11"  
        FontWeight="Bold"  
        Stroke="Brown"/>  
</Chart:C1FlexRadar.LegendTitleStyle>  
<Chart:Series SeriesName="Sales"  
    Binding="Sales"/>  
<Chart:Series SeriesName="Expenses"  
    Binding="Expenses" />  
</Chart:C1FlexRadar>
```

Code

C#

copyCode

```
// set the FlexRadar chart type  
flexRadar.ChartType = C1.Chart.RadarChartType.Area;
```

VB

copyCode

```
' set the FlexRadar chart type  
flexRadar.ChartType = C1.Chart.RadarChartType.Area
```

Legend and Titles

Legend

The legend displays entries for series with their names and predefined symbols. In FlexRadar, you can perform various customizations with the legend of FlexRadar, as follows:

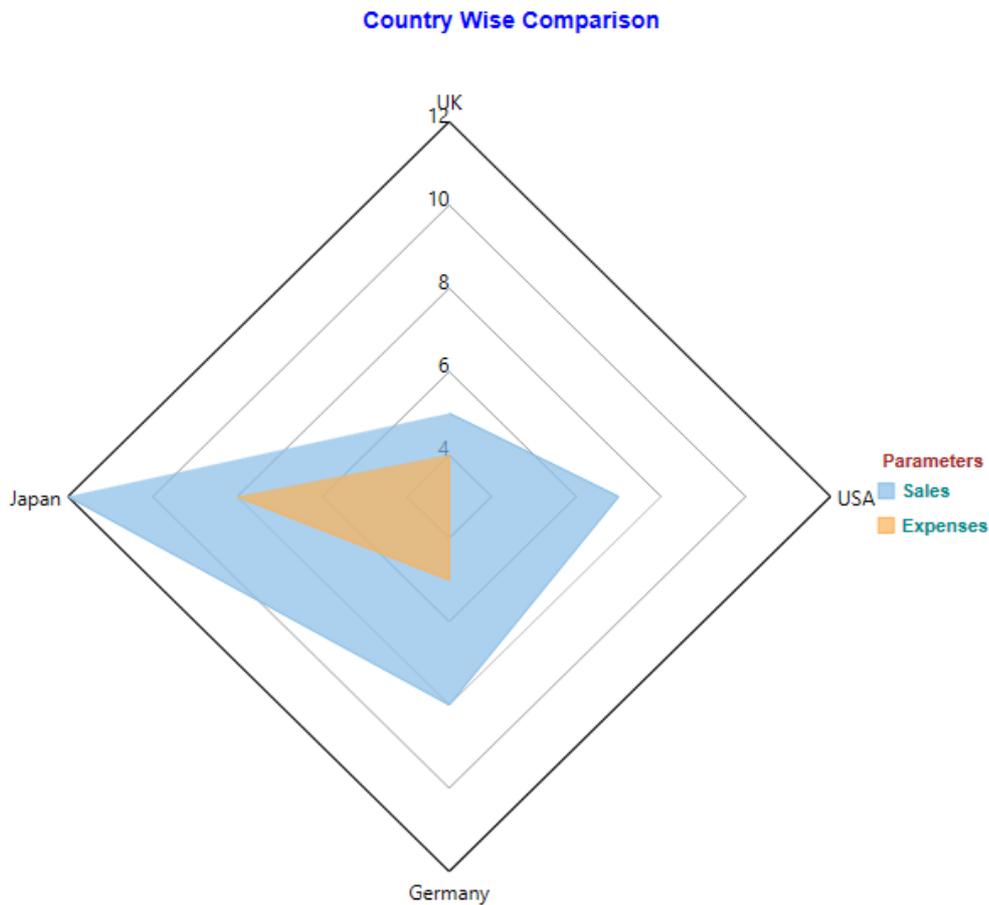
- **Orientation:** Set the orientation of the legend as horizontal, vertical, or automatic by using the [LegendOrientation](#) property provided by the [FlexChartBase](#) class. The property can be set to any of the values from the [Orientation](#) enumeration.
- **Position:** Set the legend on top, bottom, left, right, or let it be positioned automatically by using the [LegendPosition](#) property that accepts values from the [Position](#) enumeration. Setting the [LegendPosition](#) property to [None](#) hides the legend.
- **Styling:** Customize the overall appearance of the legend, such as setting stroke color or changing font by using styling properties accessible through the [LegendStyle](#) property. The styling properties [Stroke](#), [FontSize](#), and [FontStyle](#) are provided by the [ChartStyle](#) class.
- **Title and title styling:** Specify the legend title using the [LegendTitle](#) property that accepts a string. Once you have set the title, you can style it using the [LegendTitleStyle](#) property that provides access to the customization properties of the [ChartStyle](#) class.

Header and Footer

Header and Footer are descriptive texts at the top and bottom of the chart that provide information about the overall chart data. You can access Header and Footer of FlexRadar by using the [Header](#) and the [Footer](#) property respectively, of the [FlexChartBase](#) class. Possible customizations with Header and Footer are as follows:

- **Font:** Change the font family, font size, and font style of Header and Footer using the various font properties of the ChartStyle class accessible through the [HeaderStyle](#) or [FooterStyle](#) property of the FlexChartBase class.
- **Stroke:** Set stroke of the titles for enhanced appeal by using the [Stroke](#) property.

The following image displays FlexRadar with the legend and titles set.



The following code snippet demonstrates how to set various properties.

XAML

```
<Chart:C1FlexRadar Header="Country Wise Comparison"
LegendOrientation="Vertical"
LegendPosition="Right"
LegendTitle="Parameters"
ChartType="Area"
Reversed="True"
StartAngle="10"
ItemsSource="{Binding DataContext.Data}"
BindingX="Country"
Margin="54,78,58,10" Palette="Standard">
  <Chart:C1FlexRadar.HeaderStyle>
    <Chart:ChartStyle FontFamily="Arial"
      FontSize="14"
      FontWeight="Bold"
      Stroke="Blue"/>
  </Chart:C1FlexRadar.HeaderStyle>
  <Chart:C1FlexRadar.FooterStyle>
    <Chart:ChartStyle FontFamily="Arial"
      FontSize="12"/>
  </Chart:C1FlexRadar.FooterStyle>
</Chart:C1FlexRadar>
```

```
                FontWeight="Bold"/>
</Chart:C1FlexRadar.FooterStyle>
<Chart:C1FlexRadar.LegendStyle>
    <Chart:ChartStyle FontFamily="Arial"
        FontSize="11"
        FontWeight="Bold"
        Stroke="DarkCyan"/>
</Chart:C1FlexRadar.LegendStyle>
<Chart:C1FlexRadar.LegendTitleStyle>
    <Chart:ChartStyle FontFamily="Arial"
        FontSize="11"
        FontWeight="Bold"
        Stroke="Brown"/>
</Chart:C1FlexRadar.LegendTitleStyle>
<Chart:Series SeriesName="Sales"
    Binding="Sales"/>
<Chart:Series SeriesName="Expenses"
    Binding="Expenses" />
</Chart:C1FlexRadar>
```

Code

C#

copyCode

```
// set the FlexRadar header
flexRadar.Header = "Country Wise Comparison";

// set the legend orientation
flexRadar.LegendOrientation = C1.Chart.Orientation.Horizontal;

// set the legend position
flexRadar.LegendPosition = C1.Chart.Position.Bottom;
```

VB

copyCode

```
' set the FlexRadar header
flexRadar.Header = "Country Wise Comparison"

' set the legend orientation
flexRadar.LegendOrientation = C1.Chart.Orientation.Horizontal

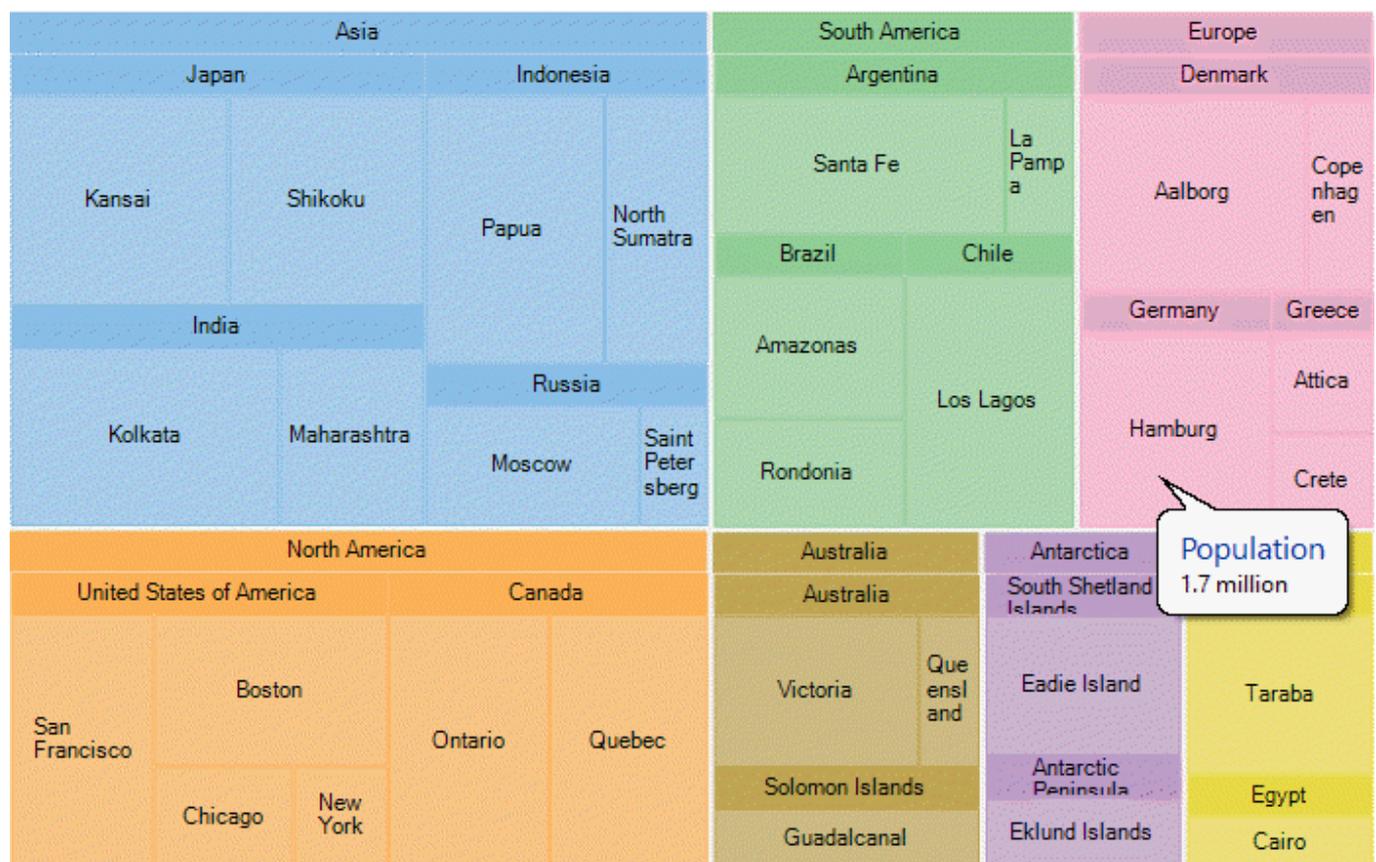
' set the legend position
flexRadar.LegendPosition = C1.Chart.Position.Bottom
```

TreeMap

Hierarchical information and data are useful in varied walks of life and setups, be it family tree, programming, organization structure, or directories. Visualizing such data and spotting information in them is a difficult task, especially if the data is huge. Treemap charts enable visualization of hierarchical data as nested rectangles on a limited space. They are useful in having a quick glimpse of patterns in large data and in comparing proportions.

The **TreeMap** chart control supports binding to data to show hierarchy, and allows user to drill down the data further to numerous levels for detailed analysis. The control can be customized to display data in horizontal, vertical, and squarified layouts of constituting rectangles.

Both TreeMap and Sunburst charts are ideal for displaying and visualizing hierarchical data, but treemap is preferred when space is a constraint as it can show humongous data in a limited area.



The following topics help you get accustomed with the TreeMap control, and explore its advanced capabilities.

Key Features

TreeMap control has numerous features to enable users display hierarchical data in a limited area, and analyze data by comparing the size of tree nodes (or nested rectangles). These are as follows:

- Hierarchical representation of data**
 TreeMap control is an ideal tool to help users visualize and compare proportions in data values within a hierarchy.
- Layout**
 TreeMap supports multiple display arrangements, where the tree branches can be shown as squares, horizontal rectangles or vertical rectangles.

- **Customizable hierarchical levels**

TreeMap control enables users to vary the [depth](#) of data to be visualized and further drill down (or reverse drill down) the data for analysis and comparison.

- **Customizable appearance**

TreeMap enables users to stylize the control and vary its appearance as per their preference. A set of varied color [palettes](#) are available to clearly display categories in a tree map chart.

- **Data binding**

TreeMap can be bound to different data sources that contain data of varied size, allowing you to display such a data in limited rectangular area.

- **Selection**

TreeMap enables selecting tree nodes and group of nodes to draw focus on specific data items in the hierarchical data.

- **Optimum space utilization**

TreeMap is ideal for compact display and visualization of huge data. The nested rectangles and groups constituting the treemap chart adjust their size to fit the display area.

- **Drill down the hierarchy**

TreeMap allows detailed analysis of hierarchical data by drilling down the data points on a mouse click. This is enabled by specifying the maximum depth of TreeMap hierarchy.

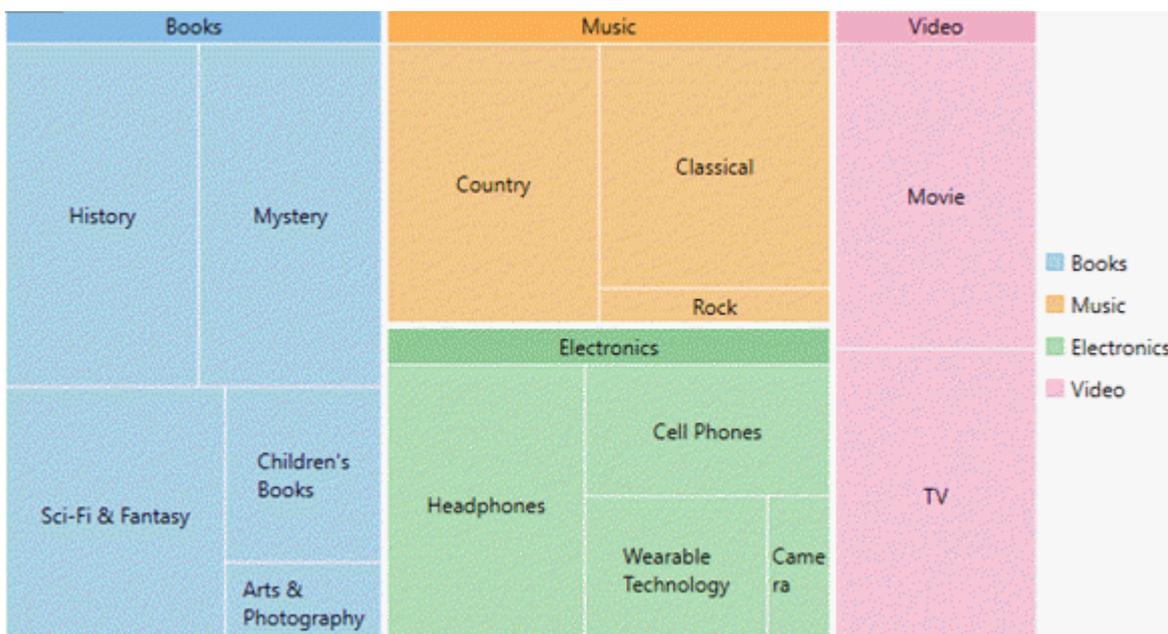
Quick Start

This quick start topic provides step-by-step instructions for adding a TreeMap chart to WPF application, and show hierarchical data in it. In this topic, we consider an example where user wants to compare sales of books, music, videos, and gadgets (like computers and tablets) in XYZ city in a particular year.

The steps to display hierarchical data in TreeMap control are as follows:

- **Step 1: Add TreeMap to project**
- **Step 2: Create a hierarchical data source**
- **Step 3: Bind the TreeMap to data source**
- **Step 4: Build and run the project**

The following image exhibits and compares sales of different varieties of books, music, videos, and gadgets (like computers and tablets) in XYZ city in a particular year.



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You need to set the [ItemsSource](#) property, of [FlexChartBase](#) class, to point to the collection of objects that contain data points to be plotted on the chart. To generate data items and display them in TreeMap chart, set [BindingName](#) and [Binding](#) properties. Set the **BindingName** property to the string value that specifies the name of the data item to display as chart rectangles, and **Binding** property to the string value that specifies the name of property of chart items that contain chart values (numeric values that help calculate the size of tree nodes).

To specify the level of hierarchical items to drill down and display in the chart set the [MaxDepth](#) property. Also, the display layout of the TreeMap is specified through its [ChartType](#) property. Additionally, color palette can be used to stylize the control and change its appearance.

Step 1: Add TreeMap to project

1. Create a **Windows** application in Visual Studio.
2. Drag and drop **C1TreeMap** control from Toolbox to page.

The following DLLs get added to your application:

- o **C1.WPF.dll**
- o **C1.WPF.FlexChart.dll**

Back to Top**Step 2: Create a hierarchical data source**

Switch to the code view and add the following code to generate sales data of Books, Music, Electronic items, Videos, and Computers and tablets.

- **Visual Basic**

```
Private rnd As New Random()
Private Function rand() As Integer
    Return rnd.[Next](10, 100)
End Function

Public ReadOnly Property Data() As Object()
    Get
        Dim data__1 = New Object() {New With {
            .type = "Music",
            .items = New () {New With {
                .type = "Country",
                .items = New () {New With {
                    .type = "Classic Country",
                    .sales = rand()
                }}
            }, New With {
                .type = "Rock",
                .items = New () {New With {
                    .type = "Funk Rock",
                    .sales = rand()
                }}
            }, New With {
                .type = "Classical",
                .items = New () {New With {
                    .type = "Symphonies",
                    .sales = rand()
                }}
            }}
        }, New With {
            .type = "Books",
            .items = New () {New With {
                .type = "Arts & Photography",
                .items = New () {New With {
```

```

        .type = "Architecture",
        .sales = rand()
    }}
}, New With {
    .type = "Children's Books",
    .items = New () {New With {
        .type = "Beginning Readers",
        .sales = rand()
    }}
}, New With {
    .type = "History",
    .items = New () {New With {
        .type = "Ancient",
        .sales = rand()
    }}
}, New With {
    .type = "Mystery",
    .items = New () {New With {
        .type = "Thriller & Suspense",
        .sales = rand()
    }}
}, New With {
    .type = "Sci-Fi & Fantasy",
    .items = New () {New With {
        .type = "Fantasy",
        .sales = rand()
    }}
}}
}, New With {
    .type = "Electronics",
    .items = New () {New With {
        .type = "Wearable Technology",
        .items = New () {New With {
            .type = "Activity Trackers",
            .sales = rand()
        }}
    }}
}, New With {
    .type = "Cell Phones",
    .items = New () {New With {
        .type = "Accessories",
        .sales = rand()
    }}
}, New With {
    .type = "Headphones",
    .items = New () {New With {
        .type = "Earbud headphones",
        .sales = rand()
    }}
}, New With {
    .type = "Camera",
    .items = New () {New With {
        .type = "Digital Cameras",
        .sales = rand()
    }}
}}
}, New With {
    .type = "Video",
    .items = New () {New With {
        .type = "Movie",
        .items = New () {New With {
            .type = "Children & Family",
            .sales = rand()
        }}
    }}
}

```

```

    }}
    }, New With {
        .type = "TV",
        .items = New () {New With {
            .type = "Comedy",
            .sales = rand()
        }}
    }}
}}
Return data__1
End Get
End Property

```

- C#

```

Random rnd = new Random();
int rand()
{
    return rnd.Next(10, 100);
}

public object[] Data
{
    get
    {
        var data = new object[] { new {
            type = "Music",
            items = new [] { new {
                type = "Country",
                items= new [] { new {
                    type= "Classic Country",
                    sales = rand()
                }}
            }, new {
                type= "Rock",
                items= new [] { new {
                    type= "Funk Rock",
                    sales= rand()
                } }
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                type= "Classical",
                items= new [] { new {
                    type= "Symphonies",
                    sales= rand()
                } }
            }
        }}
    }, new {
        type= "Books",
        items= new [] { new {
            type= "Arts & Photography",
            items= new [] { new {
                type= "Architecture",
                sales= rand()
            }}
        }, new {
            type= "Children's Books",
            items= new [] { new {
                type= "Beginning Readers",
                sales= rand()
            } }
        }, new {
            type= "History",

```

```

        items= new [] { new {
            type= "Ancient",
            sales= rand()
        } }
    }, new {
        type= "Mystery",
        items= new [] { new {
            type= "Thriller & Suspense",
            sales= rand()
        } }
    }, new {
        type= "Sci-Fi & Fantasy",
        items= new [] { new {
            type= "Fantasy",
            sales= rand()
        } }
    } }
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    type= "Electronics",
    items= new [] { new {
        type= "Wearable Technology",
        items= new [] { new {
            type= "Activity Trackers",
            sales= rand()
        } }
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        type= "Cell Phones",
        items= new [] { new {
            type= "Accessories",
            sales= rand()
        } }
    }, new {
        type= "Headphones",
        items= new [] { new {
            type= "Earbud headphones",
            sales= rand()
        } }
    }, new {
        type= "Camera",
        items= new [] { new {
            type= "Digital Cameras",
            sales= rand()
        } }
    } }
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    type= "Video",
    items= new [] { new {
        type= "Movie",
        items= new [] { new {
            type= "Children & Family",
            sales= rand()
        } }
    }, new {
        type= "TV",
        items= new [] { new {
            type= "Comedy",
            sales= rand()
        } }
    } }
} };

    return data;
}

```

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Step 3: Bind the TreeMap to data source

To bind the TreeMap control to the data source, use the following code.

XAML

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```
<Window
    xmlns="http://schemas.microsoft.com/winfx/2006/xaml/presentation"
    xmlns:x="http://schemas.microsoft.com/winfx/2006/xaml"
    xmlns:d="http://schemas.microsoft.com/expression/blend/2008"
    xmlns:mc="http://schemas.openxmlformats.org/markup-compatibility/2006"
    xmlns:local="clr-namespace:WpfTreeMapCS"
    xmlns:c1="http://schemas.componentone.com/winfx/2006/xaml"
    x:Class="WpfTreeMapCS.QuickStart"
    DataContext="{Binding RelativeSource={RelativeSource Mode=Self}}"
    mc:Ignorable="d"
    Title="QuickStart"
    Height="312" Width="434">
    <Grid Margin="10,0,0,0">
        <c1:C1TreeMap Binding="sales"
            MaxDepth="2"
            BindingName="type"
            ChildItemsPath="items"
            ItemsSource="{Binding DataContext.Data}" >
            <c1:C1TreeMap.DataLabel>
                <c1:DataLabel Content="{{type}}"
                    Position="Center">
                    <c1:DataLabel.Style>
                        <c1:ChartStyle/>
                    </c1:DataLabel.Style>
                </c1:DataLabel>
            </c1:C1TreeMap.DataLabel>
        </c1:C1TreeMap>
    </Grid>
</Window>
```

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Step 4: Build and run the project

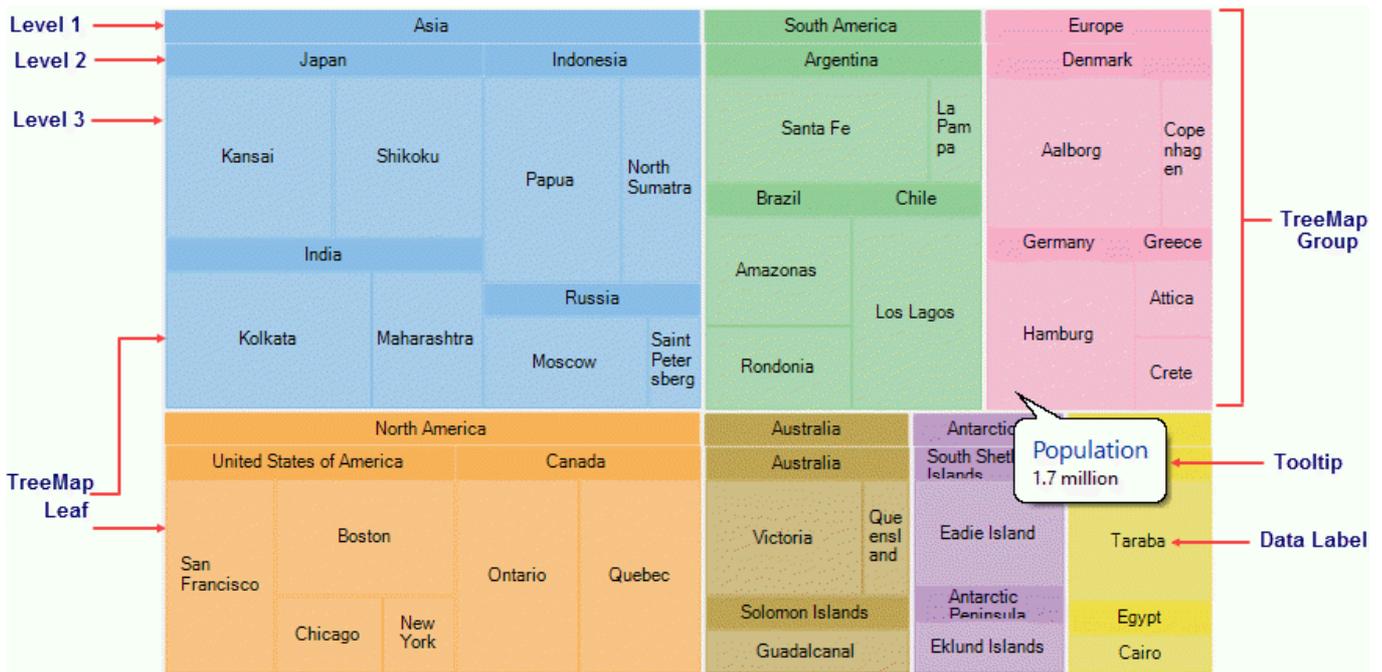
1. Click **Build | Build Solution** to build the project.
2. Press **F5** to run the project.

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Elements

A tree map chart is composed of rectangles, representing individual data items, which are grouped into categories, to represent the hierarchical nature of data. The individual data items which make group are known as leaf nodes. The size of these nodes are proportional to the data they represent

The following image exhibits main elements of TreeMap Control.

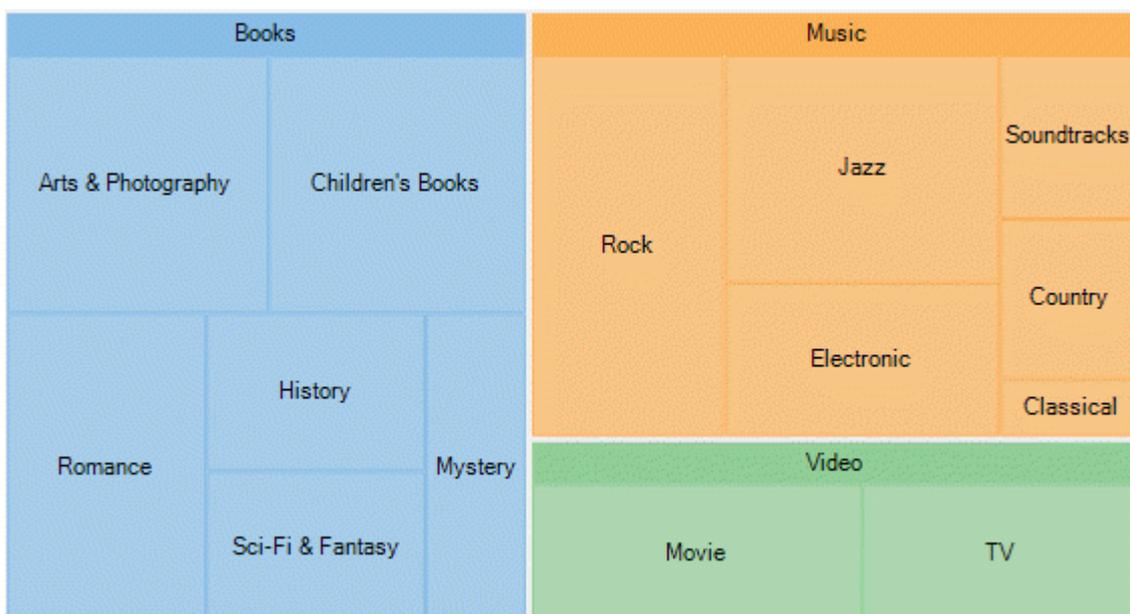


Layouts

TreeMap enables its data items and groups, represented as rectangles, to be displayed in a variety of arrangements. The tree map rectangles can be arranged into squarified, horizontal, and vertical layouts. To set the desired tree map layout, you need to use `ChartType` property of `TreeMap` class, which takes `TreeMapType` enum. The default layout of TreeMap chart control is squarified.

Squarified

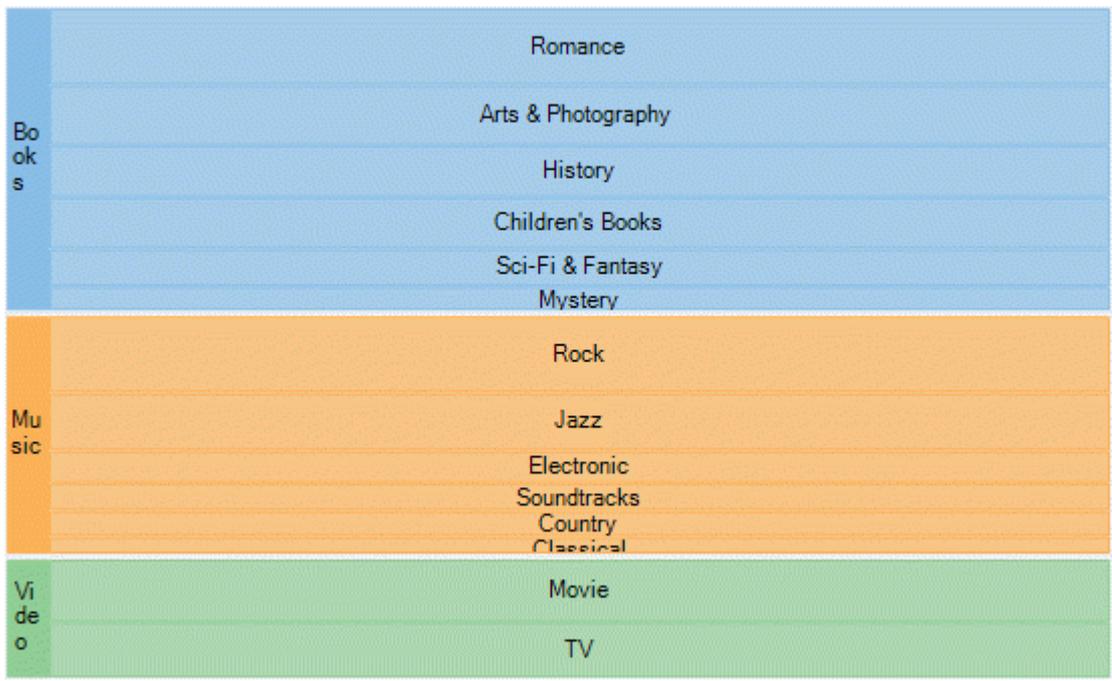
The squarified layout tries to arrange the tree map rectangles (data items and groups) as approximate squares. This layout makes it easier to make comparisons and point patterns, as the accuracy of presentation is enhanced in squarified arrangement. This layout is very useful for large data sets.



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<pre><c1:C1TreeMap Binding="Value" BindingName="Name" ChartType="Squarified"></pre>	

Horizontal

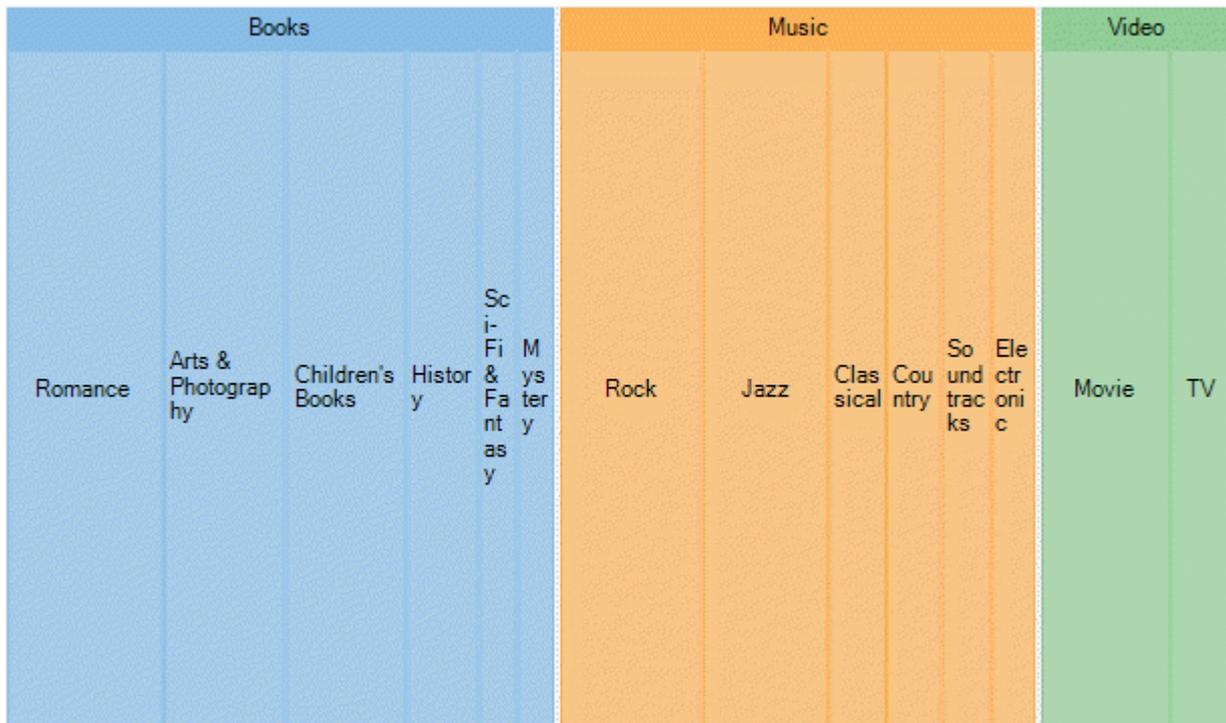
The horizontal layout stacks the tree map rectangles one over the other as rows. Here the width of the rectangles is greater than their height.



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<pre><c1:C1TreeMap Binding="Value" BindingName="Name" ChartType="Horizontal"></pre>	

Vertical

The vertical layout arranges the tree map rectangles adjacent to each other as columns. Here the height of the rectangles is greater than their width.



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```
<cl:C1TreeMap Binding="Value"
BindingName="Name"
ChartType="Vertical">
```

Horizontal and vertical treemaps are helpful in preserving and displaying the order of information.

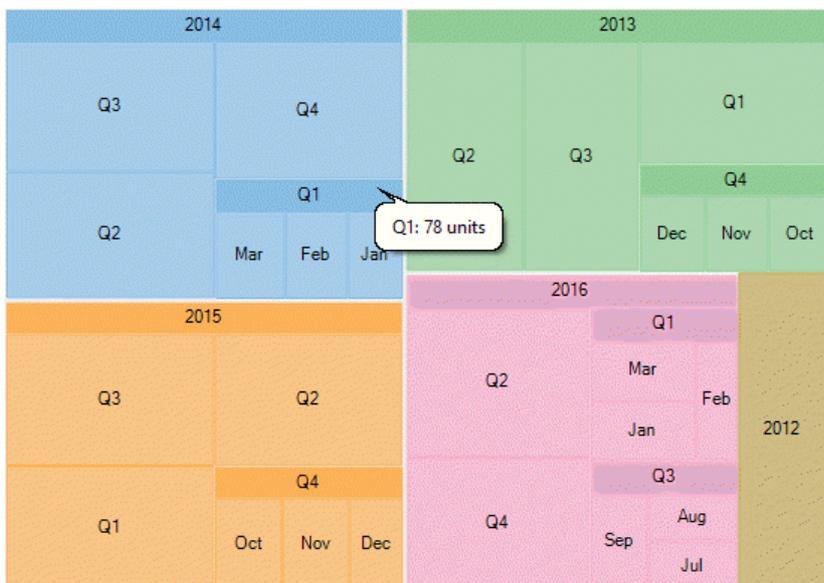
Data Binding

The TreeMap chart control binds to hierarchical data, to represent the elements of tree-like data as nested rectangles. Once the control binds to the data source and displays data items as rectangles, the size and color of these constituting rectangles enable analysis and comparison of data items.

`FlexChartBase` class exposes `ItemsSource` property, which takes collection of the objects, that contain data, to populate in tree map chart. The `Binding` and `BindingName` properties are instrumental in generating rectangular nodes for data items and their respective categories or groups. While `Binding` property takes string value depicting the name of the property of data item that contains numeric data value, helpful in calculating the size of rectangular nodes, `BindingName` takes string value depicting the name of data items. `ChildItemPath` property ensures that a hierarchical structure of the provided data collection is maintained, by communicating to the control about the child items within the data.

To elaborate how data is populated in a tree map chart, let's consider a use case where we try to compare yearly sales (in units sold) of a multi-brand retail store. The analysis can then further be drilled down to quarters in a year and then to months in a quarter, by using Treemap chart. Here yearly sales are represented by the top level rectangles, quarterly sales in those years represent the subsequent level, and monthly sales form the next level that is leaf nodes in tree map.

The following image illustrates sales in a retail store, in terms of units sold, through TreeMap chart control. Note that the image shows hierarchical data up to third level, that is months in respective quarters of the years.



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In this example, data generated in DataService class is serving as the source for tree map chart.

1. Create a hierarchical data source

1. In the code view, create a DataService class to generate hierarchical data, as shown in the following code.

■ Visual Basic

```
Public Class DataService
    Private rnd As New Random()
    Shared _default As DataService

    Public Shared ReadOnly Property Instance() As DataService
        Get
            If _default Is Nothing Then
                _default = New DataService()
            End If

            Return _default
        End Get
    End Property

    Public Shared Function CreateHierarchicalData() As List(Of DataItem)
        Dim rnd As Random = Instance.rnd

        Dim years As New List(Of String)()
        Dim times As New List(Of List(Of String))() From {
            New List(Of String)() From {
                "Jan",
                "Feb",
                "Mar"
            },
            New List(Of String)() From {
                "Apr",
                "May",
                "June"
            },
            New List(Of String)() From {
                "Jul",
                "Aug",
                "Sep"
            },
            New List(Of String)() From {
                "Oct",
                "Nov",
                "Dec"
            }
        }

        Dim items As New List(Of DataItem)()
        Dim yearLen = Math.Max(CInt(Math.Round(Math.Abs(5 - Instance.rnd.NextDouble() * 10))), 3)
        Dim currentYear As Integer = DateTime.Now.Year
        For i As Integer = yearLen To 1 Step -1
            years.Add((currentYear - i).ToString())
        Next
        Dim quarterAdded = False
```

```

years.ForEach(Function(y)
    Dim i = years.IndexOf(y)
    Dim addQuarter = Instance.rnd.NextDouble() > 0.5
    If Not quarterAdded AndAlso i = years.Count - 1 Then
        addQuarter = True
    End If
    Dim year = New DataItem() With {
        .Year = y
    }
    If addQuarter Then
        quarterAdded = True
        times.ForEach(Function(q)
            Dim addMonth = Instance.rnd.NextDouble() > 0.5
            Dim idx As Integer = times.IndexOf(q)
            Dim quar As String
            quar = "Q" + (idx + 1).ToString
            Dim quarters = New DataItem() With {
                .Year = y,
                .Quarter = quar
            }
            If addMonth Then
                q.ForEach(Function(m)
                    quarters.Items.Add(New DataItem() With {
                        .Year = y,
                        .Quarter = quar,
                        .Month = m,
                        .Value = rnd.[Next](20, 30)
                    })
                End Function)
            Else
                quarters.Value = rnd.[Next](80, 100)
            End If
            year.Items.Add(quarters)
        End Function)
    Else
        year.Value = rnd.[Next](80, 100)
    End If
    items.Add(year)
End Function)

Return items
End Function

End Class

```

■ C#

```

public class DataService
{
    Random rnd = new Random();
    static DataService _default;

    public static DataService Instance
    {
        get
        {
            if (_default == null)
            {
                _default = new DataService();
            }

            return _default;
        }
    }

    public static List<DataItem> CreateHierarchicalData()
    {
        Random rnd = Instance.rnd;

        List<string> years = new List<string>();
        List<List<string>> times = new List<List<string>>()
        {
            new List<string>() { "Jan", "Feb", "Mar" },
            new List<string>() { "Apr", "May", "June" },
            new List<string>() { "Jul", "Aug", "Sep" },
            new List<string>() { "Oct", "Nov", "Dec" }
        };

        List<DataItem> items = new List<DataItem>();
        var yearLen = Math.Max((int)Math.Round(Math.Abs(5 - Instance.rnd.NextDouble() * 10)), 3);
        int currentYear = DateTime.Now.Year;
        for (int i = yearLen; i > 0; i--)

```

```

    {
        years.Add((currentYear - i).ToString());
    }
    var quarterAdded = false;

    years.ForEach(y =>
    {
        var i = years.IndexOf(y);
        var addQuarter = Instance.rnd.NextDouble() > 0.5;
        if (!quarterAdded && i == years.Count - 1)
        {
            addQuarter = true;
        }
        var year = new DataItem() { Year = y };
        if (addQuarter)
        {
            quarterAdded = true;
            times.ForEach(q =>
            {
                var addMonth = Instance.rnd.NextDouble() > 0.5;
                int idx = times.IndexOf(q);
                var quar = "Q" + (idx + 1);
                var quarters = new DataItem() { Year = y, Quarter = quar };
                if (addMonth)
                {
                    q.ForEach(m =>
                    {
                        quarters.Items.Add(new DataItem()
                        {
                            Year = y,
                            Quarter = quar,
                            Month = m,
                            Value = rnd.Next(20, 30)
                        });
                    });
                }
                else
                {
                    quarters.Value = rnd.Next(80, 100);
                }
                year.Items.Add(quarters);
            });
        }
        else
        {
            year.Value = rnd.Next(80, 100);
        }
        items.Add(year);
    });

    return items;
}
}

```

2. Create a DataItem class to define list of objects to represent data items and their categories.

- Visual Basic

```

Public Class DataItem
    Private _items As List(Of DataItem)

    Public Property Year() As String
        Get
            Return m_Year
        End Get
        Set
            m_Year = Value
        End Set
    End Property
    Private m_Year As String
    Public Property Quarter() As String
        Get
            Return m_Quarter
        End Get
        Set
            m_Quarter = Value
        End Set
    End Property
    Private m_Quarter As String
    Public Property Month() As String
        Get
            Return m_Month
        End Get
        Set
            m_Month = Value

```

```

        End Set
    End Property
    Private m_Month As String
    Public Property Value() As Double
        Get
            Return m_Value
        End Get
        Set
            m_Value = Value
        End Set
    End Property
    Private m_Value As Double
    Public ReadOnly Property Items() As List(Of DataItem)
        Get
            If _items Is Nothing Then
                _items = New List(Of DataItem)()
            End If

            Return _items
        End Get
    End Property
End Class

```

■ C#

```

public class DataItem
{
    List<DataItem> _items;

    public string Year { get; set; }
    public string Quarter { get; set; }
    public string Month { get; set; }
    public double Value { get; set; }
    public List<DataItem> Items
    {
        get
        {
            if (_items == null)
            {
                _items = new List<DataItem>();
            }

            return _items;
        }
    }
}

```

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2. Bind TreeMap to the data source

To bind the TreeMap control to the data source use the following code.

XAML	copyCode
<pre> <Window xmlns="http://schemas.microsoft.com/winfx/2006/xaml/presentation" xmlns:x="http://schemas.microsoft.com/winfx/2006/xaml" xmlns:d="http://schemas.microsoft.com/expression/blend/2008" xmlns:mc="http://schemas.openxmlformats.org/markup-compatibility/2006" xmlns:local="clr-namespace:WpfTreeMapCS" xmlns:c1="http://schemas.componentone.com/winfx/2006/xaml" x:Class="WpfTreeMapCS.DataBinding" DataContext="{Binding RelativeSource={RelativeSource Mode=Self}}" mc:Ignorable="d" Title="DataBinding" Height="300" Width="300"> <Grid> <Grid.DataContext> <local:TreeMapViewModel /> </Grid.DataContext> <c1:C1TreeMap Binding="Value" BindingName="Year,Quarter,Month" ChildItemsPath="Items" ItemsSource="{Binding HierarchicalData}" MaxDepth="3"> <c1:C1TreeMap.DataLabel> <c1:DataLabel Content="{{}{name}}" Position="Center"> <c1:DataLabel.Style> </pre>	

```
        <c1:ChartStyle/>
        </c1:DataLabel.Style>
    </c1:DataLabel>
    </c1:C1TreeMap.DataLabel>
</c1:C1TreeMap>
</Grid>
</Window>
```

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- **Visual Basic**

```
Public Class TreeMapViewModel
    Public ReadOnly Property HierarchicalData() As List(Of DataItem)
        Get
            Return DataService.CreateHierarchicalData()
        End Get
    End Property
End Class
```

- **C#**

```
public class TreeMapViewModel
{
    public List<DataItem> HierarchicalData
    {
        get
        {
            return DataService.CreateHierarchicalData();
        }
    }
}
```

3. Build and run the project

1. Click **Build | Build Solution** to build the project.
2. Press **F5** to run the project.

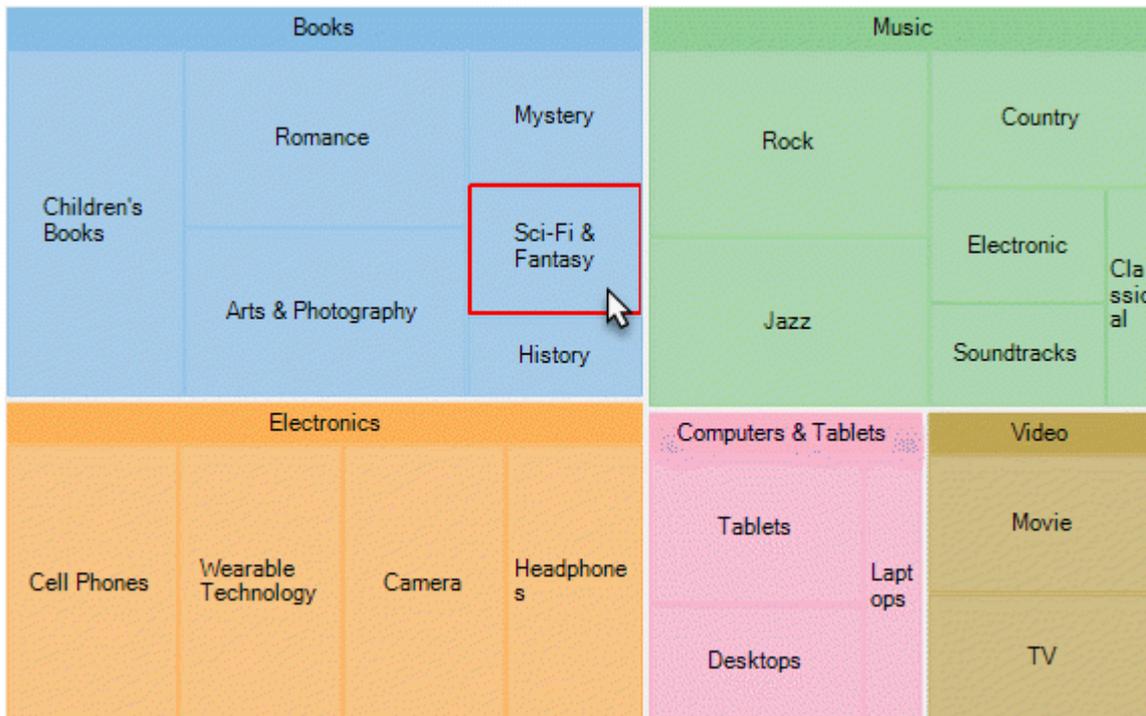
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Selection

TreeMap chart lets you enable selection of its data items and groups. User can select a node and draw focus on it by simply clicking it. You need to set the [SelectionMode](#) property provided by the [FlexChartBase](#) class to either of the following values in the [ChartSelectionMode](#) enumeration:

- **None (default):** Selection is disabled.
- **Point:** A point is selected.

The following image illustrates default selection of data point in TreeMap.

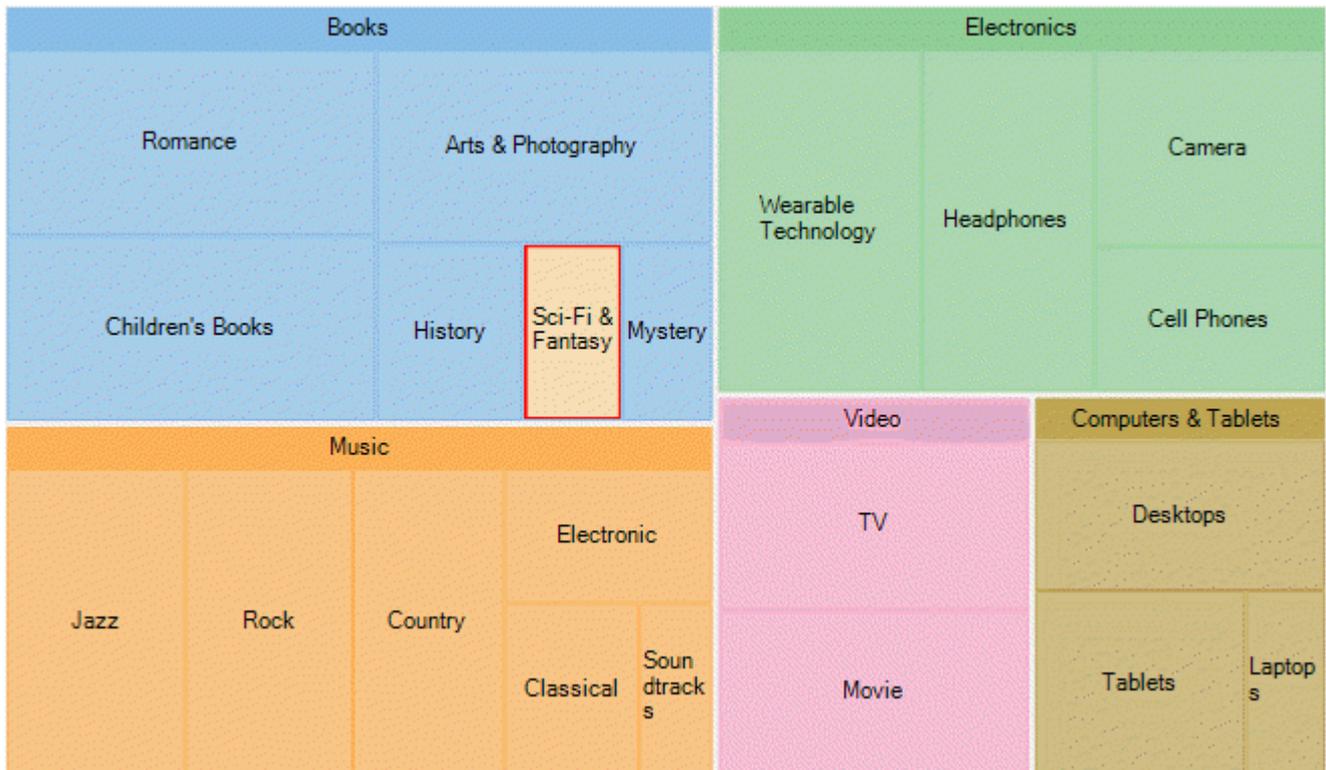


The following code snippet shows how to set the **SelectionMode** property for a tree map chart.

XAML	copyCode
<pre><cl:C1TreeMap Binding="sales" MaxDepth="2" BindingName="type" ChildItemsPath="items" ItemsSource="{Binding DataContext.Data}" SelectionMode="Point"></pre>	

Customized TreeMap Selection

To customize the TreeMap selection, you can use [SelectionMode](#) property and stylize the selected item as illustrated in the following image.



The following code snippet demonstrates utilizing **SelectionMode** property to change fill color of the TreeMap node that is selected.

```
XAML copyCode
<cl:C1TreeMap Binding="sales"
    MaxDepth="2"
    BindingName="type"
    ChildItemsPath="items"
    ItemsSource="{Binding DataContext.Data}"
    SelectionMode="Point">
    <cl:C1TreeMap.SelectionStyle>
        <cl:ChartStyle Fill="Wheat"/>
    </cl:C1TreeMap.SelectionStyle>
</cl:C1TreeMap>
```

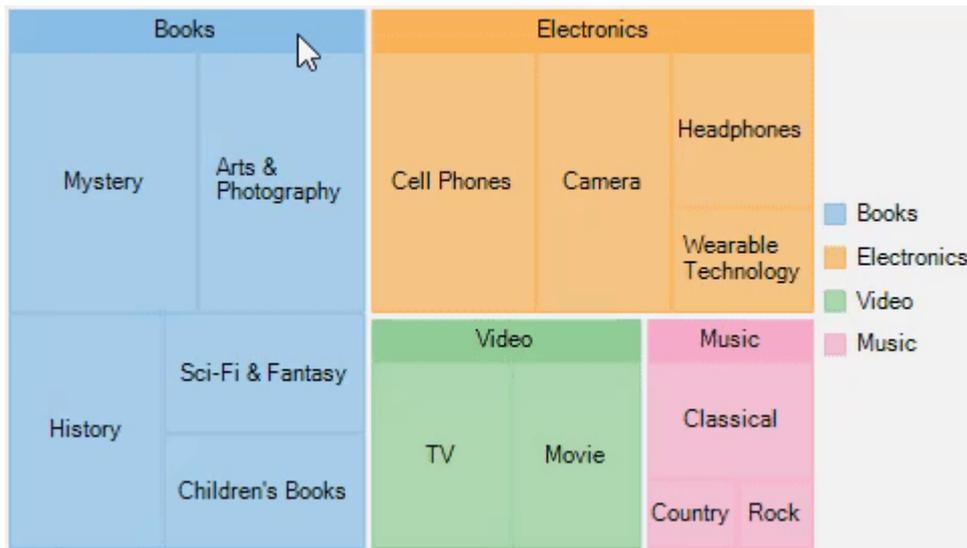
Additionally, you can customize the behavior of TreeMap selection by handling [SelectionChanged](#) event. Also, you can utilize [SelectedIndex](#) and [SelectedItem](#) properties, and reuse the obtained information in your application.

Drilldown

TreeMap allows drilling down the data items of its data further for detailed analysis. End users can access the lower levels in the data hierarchy by simply clicking the desired node. Whereas, to move back up in the hierarchy, users simply need to right-click in the plot area.

Note that, drilldown functionality in TreeMap is possible only if [MaxDepth](#) property is set to a value greater than 0. This property defines the levels of hierarchical data in the TreeMap chart.

The following gif image demonstrates drilling-down by showing data points of the clicked TreeMap node.



 Note that drill down feature of TreeMap works only when selection of TreeMap nodes is disabled, that is, `SelectionMode` property is set to **None**. For more information on selection, see [Selection in TreeMap](#).