Overview

Db2 Web Query for i has a new release Version 2.2.1 with numerous new features. Report authoring and advanced data analysis just got easier with additional visualizations that provide more powerful analytics. Report and dashboard navigation is made simpler for end users with the introduction of report autolink, autodrill down, and dynamic parameterization. Administrators will benefit from the more granular separation of duties enhancement. Cloud or Managed Services Providers can also leverage the ability to cap user licenses by Logical Partition.

Db2 Web Query DataMigrator is also refreshed in Version 2.2.1. New features include: simplified functions for building powerful transformations, data flow comments on the developer palette, regular expression support for filtering, and improved scheduling.

Planned general availability of Db2 Web Query Version 2.2.1 is December 8, 2017.

Description

Db2 Web Query for i

With the introduction of its new release, Version 2.2.1, Db2 Web Query for i adds several new features to address user requests as well as bring new industry features for reporting and analytics to IBM i customers.
Letting end users navigate from one report to other related reports just got simpler with the new auto link, auto drill down, and dynamic parameter features. This freedom allows end users to navigate across multiple reports, drill down on specific data elements or detail reports, or even decide which filtering is important in the report. All of this can be made available without the report author having to define and add it ahead of time.

Data Visualization is a hot topic in today’s industry and Db2 Web Query Version 2.2.1 delivers new, powerful data visualization for the DATA analyst. The technology helps users visualize patterns in data and follow through on discoveries for further insights. New embedded video demonstrations make it easy to learn how to work with visualizations.

Db2 Web Query previously introduced geographical maps to plot data points on a map in a dashboard or standalone view. This geographical data analysis has been further enhanced with additional Esri® enrichment to bring additional information to your maps quickly and easily. Several additional layers are built into Db2 Web Query and other layers are available through Esri (for additional charge.) This support allows you to view demographic data or add a layer such as bus or train routes for further geo analysis. Tooltips (pop up information) are also now supported for maps.

One of the key benefits of the DB2 Web Query product set is its ability to leverage an industry best practice of providing a meta data layer. With Version 2.2.1, working with meta data is even easier with enhancements to the browser based “synonym editor.” Quickly define joins, hierarchical data relationships, and virtual fields to simplify and standardize data for report authors and end users.

From a product management perspective, Web Query Administrators gain additional capabilities to manage resources via a full ‘console’ interface. User Licensing can now be controlled down to the partition level.

IBM’s simplified installation and sample reports package called “EZ-Install” is enhanced to support Version 2.2.1. It also includes additional sample reports. The EZ-Install package can also be used to upgrade existing installations of DB2 Web Query. Learn more about EZ-install at ibm.biz/db2wqezinstall-info.
Db2 Web Query DataMigrator is also refreshed in Version 2.2.1. The addition of several new functions, along with the simplification of existing functions, make building transformations easier than ever. DataMigrator also supports regular expressions for filtering, providing capability well beyond simple wildcard searches.

The DataMigrator developer palette for creating flows has additional navigation assistance that allow you to add comments to each step in the flow. This makes it easier to understand flows and share them with others.

Scheduling of flows just got easier as DataMigrator detects potential overlaps of flows and minimizes collisions when multiple schedules are active at the same time.

For additional information on Db2 Web Query, refer to ibm.biz/db2webqueryi.