

# Changing Variables

**Process:** Business Objects (BOBJ) Web Intelligence can be used to display a report. Reports can contain data from databases, such as Business Warehouse, Oracle, GRADS, Remedy, etc. Reports can contain data tables, graphs, charts, and sub-reports. The following steps will show you the basics of changing the variables used to run a Business Objects (BOBJ) report by entering a new value in one of two ways: 1) by using the **User Prompt Input** panel or 2) by using the **Prompt** window.

**Note:** For details on other BOBJ processes, please review the BOBJ Reporting QRCs or course manuals on the *myHelp* web site.

**Role:** Authorized Users

**Frequency:** When needed

## Basic Information

Required variables must have a value entered before refreshing the data.

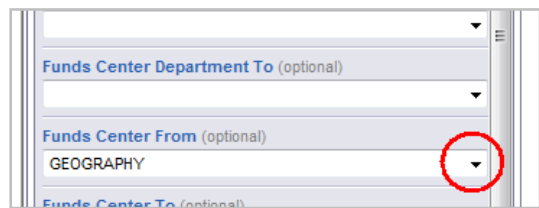
Variables listed with ranges display with a **From** and **To** field. An entry must be made in both fields or you may pull more data than you intend. For example, if you enter the **Fiscal Year/Period From** 002/2010 with no **Fiscal Year/Period To** entry, you will pull data from August 2009 to the current date.

## Changing Variables – User Prompt Input Panel

Use these steps, if you prefer to select the values for your variables using the **User Prompt Input** panel.

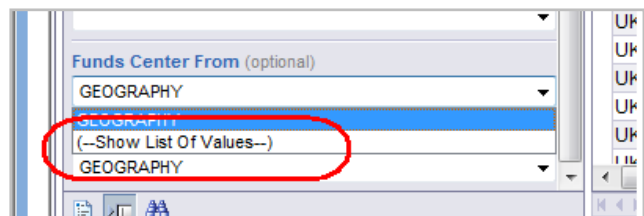
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To change the value, click the down arrow



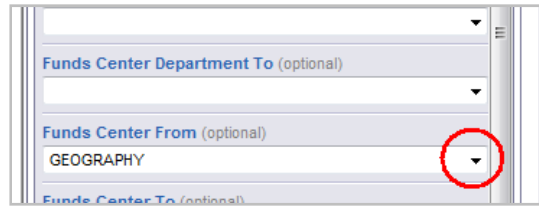
**Note:** Make sure the **User Prompt Input** panel is displayed on the left side of the screen

Select **(--Show List of Values--)**

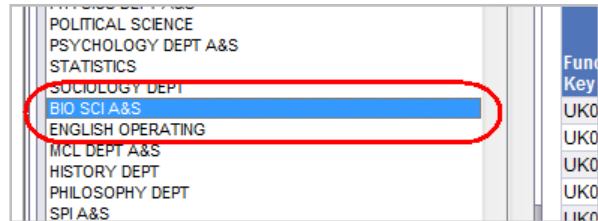


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Click the down arrow a second time

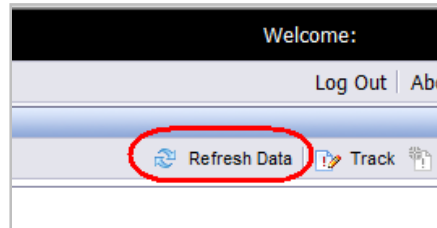


Double-click on the value

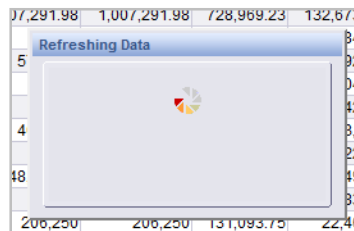


**Note:** If the variable has a **From** and **To** range, and you just want the results from this selection; enter the same fields in both the **From** and the **To** fields.

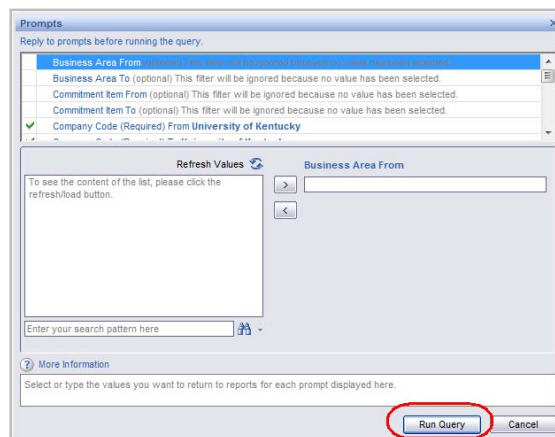
Click **Refresh Data**



A system message will display

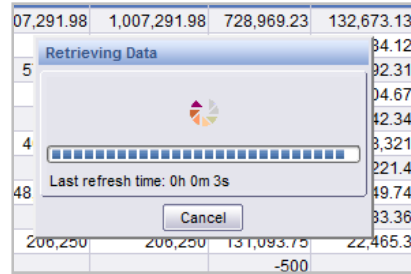


When the **Prompt** window displays, click **Run Query**



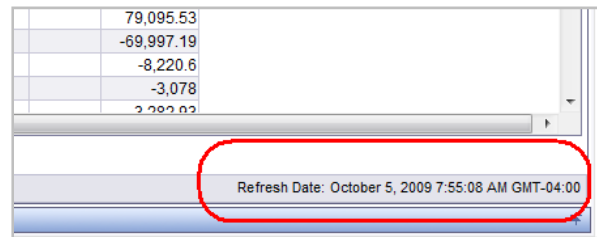
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New refresh date will display

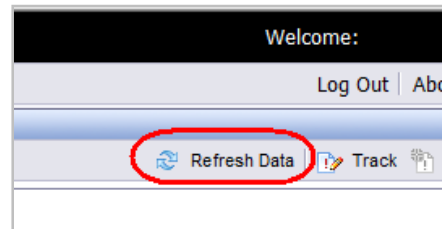


## Changing Variables – Prompt Window

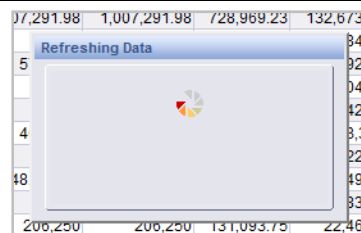
Use these steps, if you prefer to select the values for your variables using the **Prompt** window.

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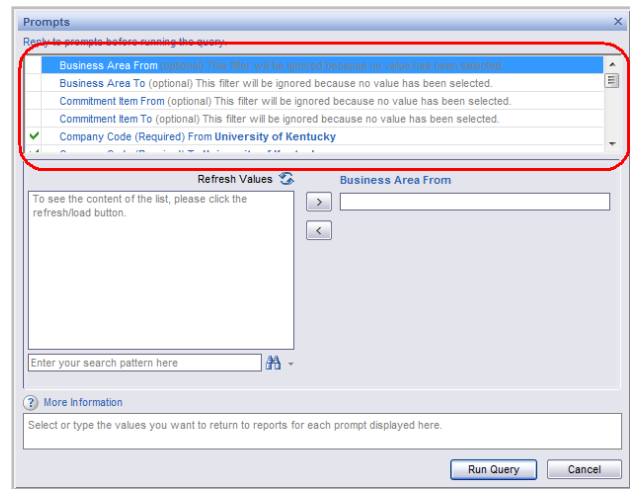
Click **Refresh Data**



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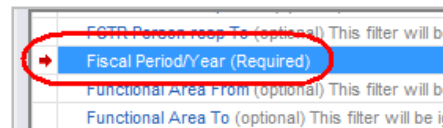
Check the top of the window for variables



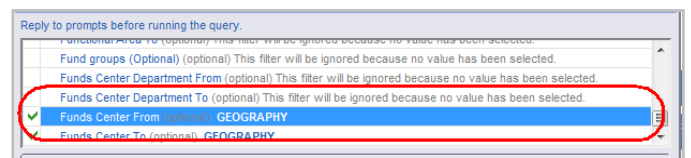
Use the scrollbar to scroll to the variable for which you want to select the value



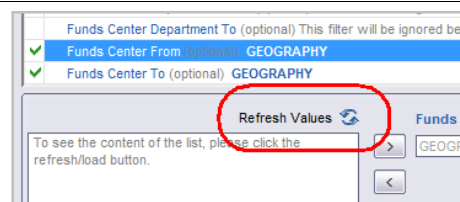
**Note:** Variables with values will display with a green checkmark. Required variables without a value will display with a red arrow.



Single-click on the variable



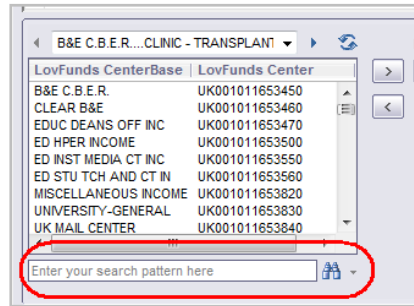
Click **Refresh Values**



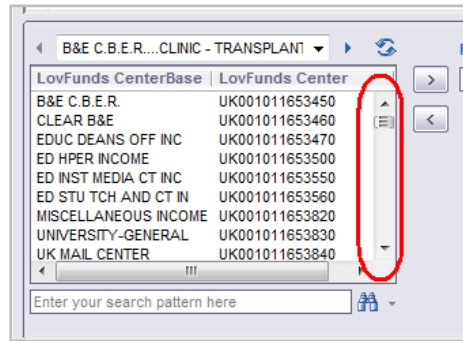
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There are several ways to search for a value.

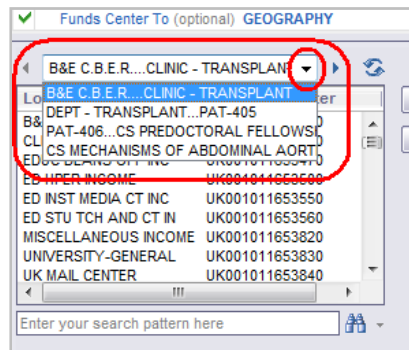
Use the search field to search for a value



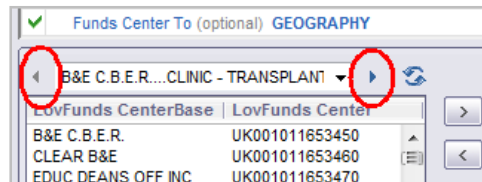
Use the scrollbar to find the value



**Note:** If the value list is large, the list may be broken down into several groups. Click the down arrow to see the groups and to select a different group.



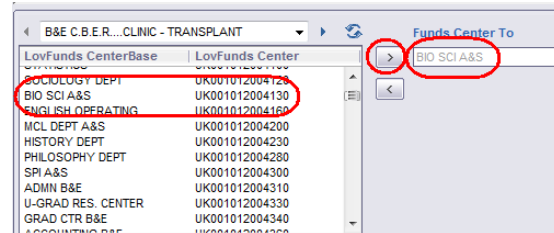
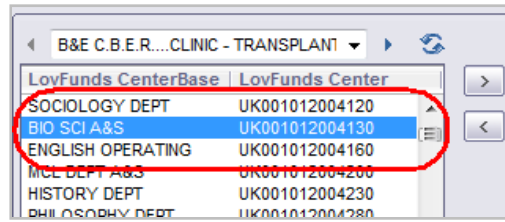
You also can choose a different group by clicking on **Go to previous chunk** or **Go to next chunk**



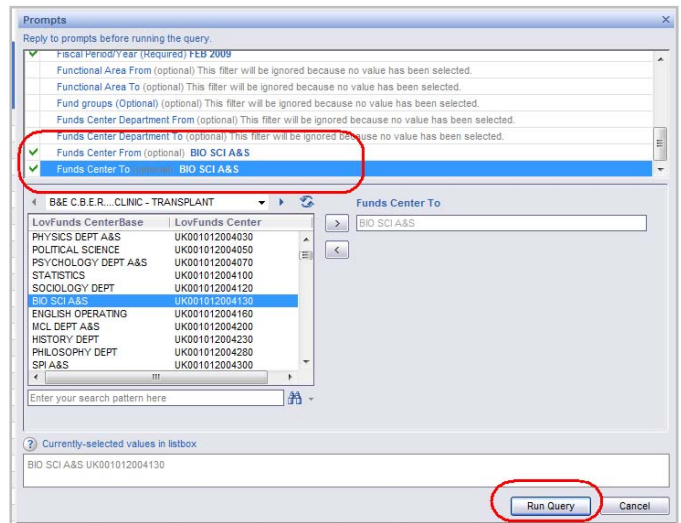
Double-click on the value

OR

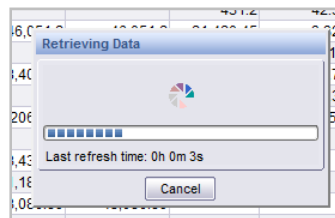
Single-click, click **Add from list of values** to move the value to the right



Click **Run Query**

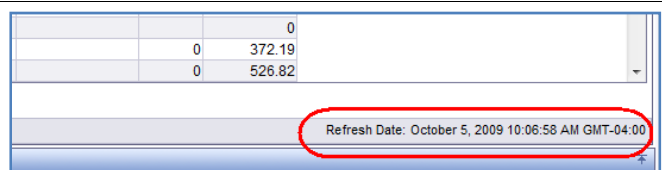


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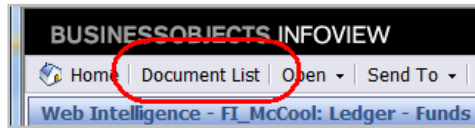
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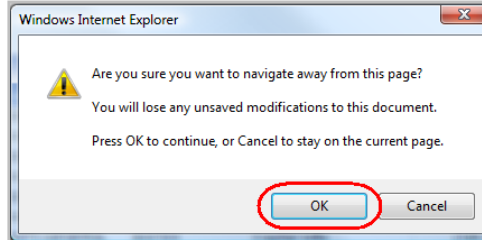


**Exiting the Report and Business Objects**

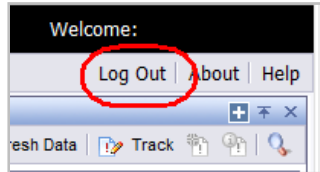
To select a different report, click **Document List**



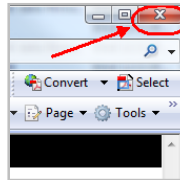
**Note:** If you have made any changes to the report, you will receive a system message. Click **OK** to continue without saving changes. Click **Cancel** to return to the document and save your changes.



To exit the report and Business Objects, click **Log Out**



Click to close the window



Click **Launch Pad** to return to the main *myUK* tab

