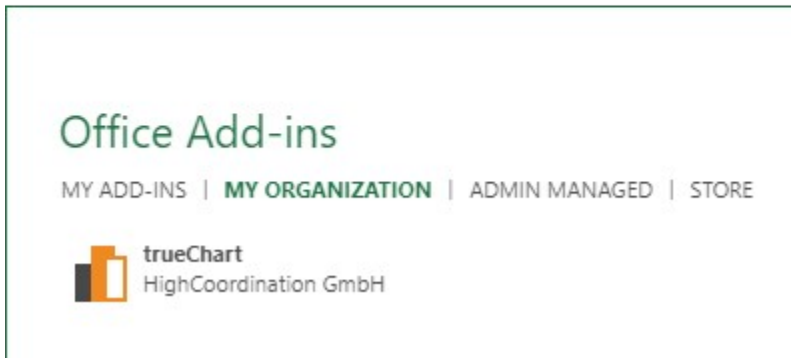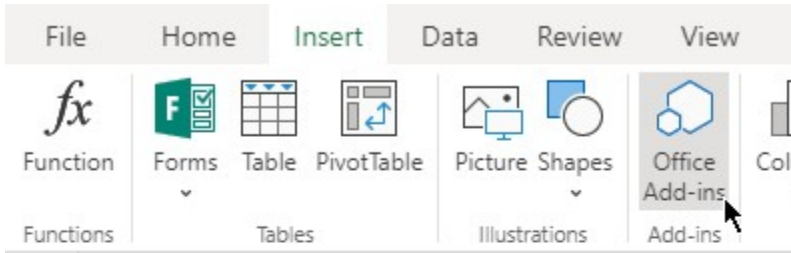# Getting started

This article describes the first steps on using trueChart for Excel. It is assumed, trueChart for Excel is deployed in you workspace.

To add a trueChart visualization to your Excel worksheet, go to Excel's **Insert** tab, choose **Add-ins** and select **trueChart**. This will insert a new trueChart object into your worksheet.

Adding data contexts

trueChart automatically creates a new data context for the currently selected data or the data the cursor resides on. If you want to create additional data contexts, click on **Settings**.

Here you have the option to add a data context from a table, a range, or any named item on your sheet (which includes custom-named ranges and tables as well).

Excel Data

RevenuePerCustomer

Business

CostsPerCustomer

ProfitPerCustomer

RevenuePerCustomer

Variables

Variables

A
2
2016 (Measure)
2017 (Measure)
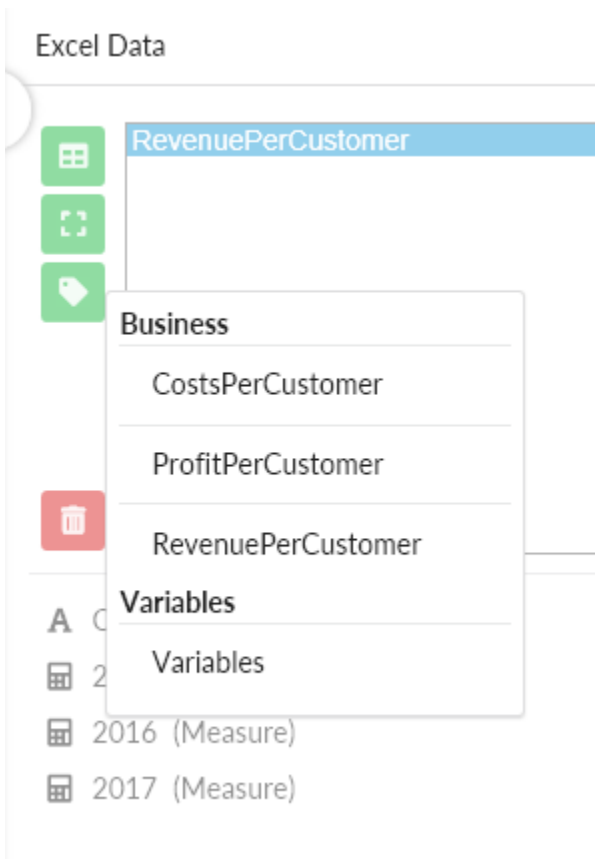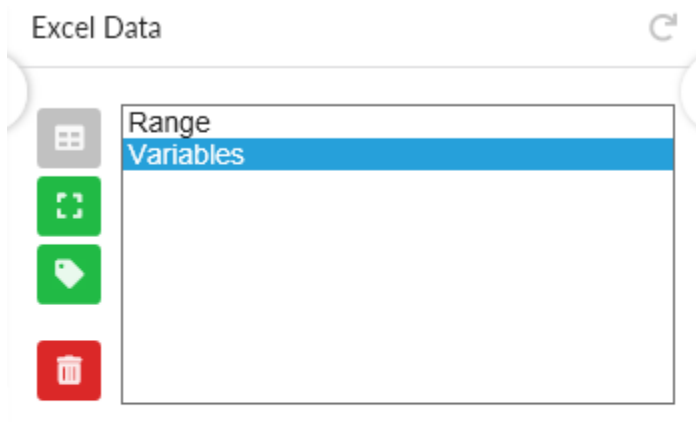
Using variables

In order to use Excel data as variables in trueChart, you need to create a variable table, add it as a data source to trueChart and click on **Use as variables**:

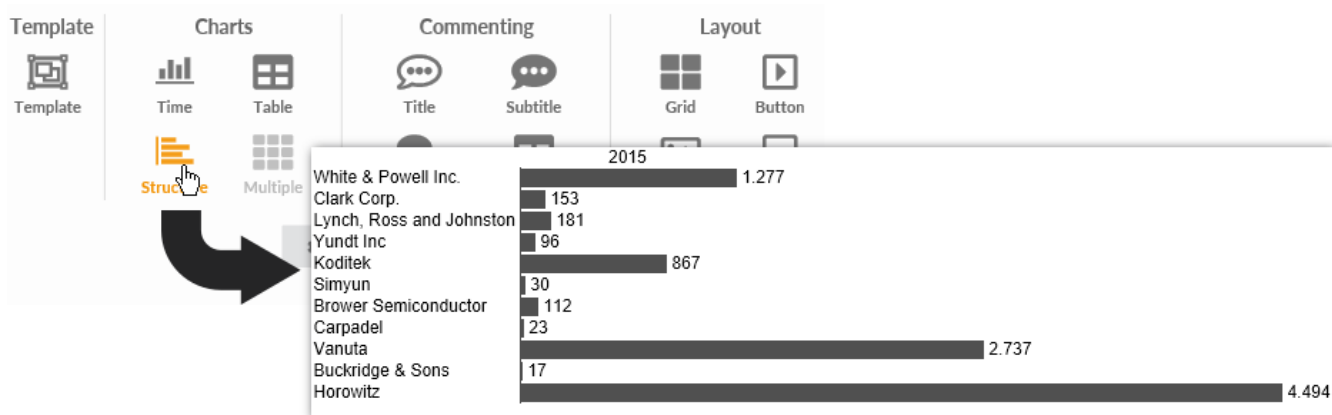| Key	Value
alfa	1
bravo	2
charlie	3
delta	4
echo	5
foxtrot	6
golf	7

Excel Data

Range
Variables

A Key (Dimension)

Value (Measure)

Use as variables

Creating a chart

After you've added all the necessary data contexts, trueChart is ready to create charts:

Template	Charts		Commenting		Layout	
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	Structure	Multiple				

2015

White & Powell Inc.	1.277
Clark Corp.	153
Lynch, Ross and Johnston	181
Yundt Inc	96
Koditek	867
Simyun	30
Brower Semiconductor	112
Carpadel	23
Vanuta	2.737
Buckridge & Sons	17
Horowitz	4.494

Further steps

Connecting to a trueChart Service