

# Data Warehouse – Discussion Topics

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## **BUSINESS OBJECTIVES AND ISSUES**

- What are the objectives and top priorities of your organization?
- What are the key forms of information you monitor? How do you know when things are going well?
- What are the key business issues you face today? What prevents you from meeting your business objectives?
- How do you identify problems/exceptions?
- Describe ways in which you categorize information.
- How often do these categorizations change? What should happen when to reports when such a change occurs?

## **ANALYSES REQUIREMENTS**

- Routine Analysis
  - What type of routine analysis do you currently perform? What data is used? How do you currently get the data? What do you do with the information once you get it?
  - How long does it take you to produce key forms of analysis and/or reports?
  - What forms of analysis would you like to perform?
- Ad hoc Analysis
  - What type of on-the-fly analysis do you typically perform? Who requests ad hoc information? What do they do with the analysis?
- Existing Reports
  - What existing reports do you currently rely on?
  - What data on the report is important?
  - How do you use the information?
  - If the reports were dynamic, what would the report do differently?
- General Reporting Needs
  - How much historical information is required?
  - How timely should information be updated?
  - How much security needs to be applied to data access?

## **Project Success Criteria**

- What must this project accomplish to be deemed successful?