

## Learn to Use Tableau

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There are a number of excellent **FREE** training and support resources for Tableau products.

Resource	Description
<a href="#">Free training from Tableau</a>	The makers of Tableau products offer a variety of free training. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <a href="#">Tableau Starter Kits</a>—Practice authoring, interacting, publishing, and administering Tableau through a multimedia introduction to Tableau.</li><li>• <a href="#">Watch on demand videos</a> (topics range from a few minutes to 1+ hours)</li><li>• <a href="#">Live online training</a> (or view <a href="#">past training recordings</a>)</li><li>• <a href="#">Attend a webinar</a> (or view <a href="#">past webinar recordings</a>)</li></ul>
<a href="#">LinkedIn Learning</a>	Take advantage of Brown's free LinkedIn Learning site license. Check out training on these topics: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <a href="#">Tableau training</a></li><li>• <a href="#">Data visualization training</a></li></ul>
<a href="#">Rhode Island Tableau User Group</a>	Join the <a href="#">local Tableau user group (TUG) hosted by the Providence Public Library</a> . Meets quarterly.
<a href="#">Udemy</a>	While not free, Udemy offers <a href="#">more affordable Tableau training</a> (sometimes on sale for under \$20!).  Brown users who took their <a href="#">Master Course in Tableau 10 &amp; 2019 for Business Intelligence</a> gave it excellent reviews and described it as good for users who have mastered the basics with free training from Tableau and LinkedIn Learning (see above) and want to take it to the next level. Please note, this particular course teaches an outdated version of Tableau Desktop as of this writing.
<a href="#">Weekly Wind Down Webinars</a> (past recordings)	<b>UPDATE:</b> Senturus no longer runs this series, but <a href="#">previous recordings are available</a> . On Friday afternoons, Senturus, offers a free 30-minute webinar with tips, tricks, and tutorials for Tableau Desktop users and/or Cognos Analytics authors (many of our users use both!).
Workshops at Brown	The University Library periodically holds hands-on workshops to introduce the features of Tableau Desktop. Watch <a href="#">Today@Brown</a> and the <a href="#">Library Calendar</a> for the next scheduled workshop.

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<a href="#">Whitepapers</a>	Tableau offers <a href="#">a number of well-written white papers</a> to help you make effective visualizations. For example: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Best Practices for Designing Efficient Tableau Workbooks</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Visual Analysis Best Practices</a></li> </ul>
<a href="#">Knowledge Base</a>	Tableau publishes articles in their <a href="#">Knowledge Base</a> describing problems and solutions to customer support tickets.
<a href="#">Community Forums</a>	In the <a href="#">Tableau Community Forums</a> you can: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Browse topics, ask questions, and share your insights.</li> <li>• Participate in <a href="#">User Groups</a> (check out the <a href="#">Newbie</a> and <a href="#">Higher Education</a> groups!)</li> <li>• Vote on product <a href="#">Ideas</a> or submit your own</li> </ul>
<a href="#">Tableau Prep</a>	Master Tableau Prep with <a href="#">this list of learning resources</a> .
<a href="#">Tableau Public Gallery</a>	The <a href="#">Tableau Public Gallery</a> is great for inspiration. Browse or search visualizations by keyword. See something you like? You can download a visualization and take a peek under the hood to see how it was accomplished. <b>Note:</b> <a href="#">Tableau Public</a> is a free product. Visualizations are published to the Tableau Public Server to be available in the gallery for the world to see and enjoy. Published visualizations can also be embedded on a web page.
<a href="#">Workbook &amp; Calculation Library</a>	Browse and share Tableau Workbooks and calculations.
<a href="#">Data Revelations Blog</a>	<b>Stephen Wexler</b> as an experienced Tableau trainer and author who writes an <a href="#">informative blog</a> including content on <a href="#">visualizing survey data</a> , which can be tricky. Subscribe <a href="#">here</a> .
Tableau Conference Presentations	The conference sells out annually. Didn't make it or don't have the budget to attend? No sweat, you can watch the conference presentation recordings online. <b>TIP:</b> Register on the current conference site to attend their keynote and select presentations live for free. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">2019 Conference</a>, Las Vegas, NV</li> <li>• <a href="#">2018 Conference</a>, New Orleans, LA</li> <li>• <a href="#">2017 Conference</a>, Las Vegas, NV</li> <li>• <a href="#">2016 Conference</a>, Austin, TX</li> <li>• <a href="#">2015 Conference</a>, Las Vegas, NV</li> </ul>
Tableau User Group (TUG)	The <a href="#">Business Intelligence Team</a> runs a Tableau User Group (TUG) that meets occasionally.  TUG members are licensed Tableau Desktop users, and other Tableau enthusiasts at Brown, interested in sharing and learning about Tableau and best practices for data visualization.  Email <a href="mailto:CIS-ReportingTeam@brown.edu">CIS-ReportingTeam@brown.edu</a> to join the TUG.

## Questions

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