

# Performance Analysis - Input Processes

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## 1 Directions

Use this process model to set up the activities that prepare your organization's data for performance analyses.

- Read the modeling explanations (Section 2). They define the symbols used in the diagrams.
- Refer to the process diagrams (Section 3) to structure the work that needs to happen before the performance analyses can start.
- Refer to the process descriptions (Section 4) for instructions on conducting each stage of the data preparation.
- If needed, use the example (Section 5) as a guide to connecting this general model to specific data and activities.

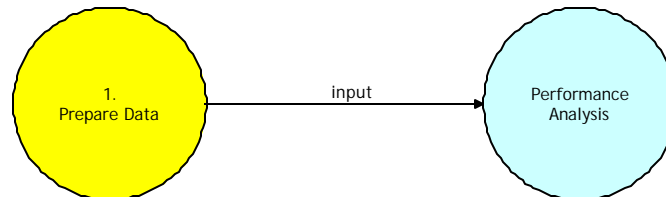
## 2 Modeling Explanations

The modeling method is data-flow modeling.

- Circles represent work performed (the "processes").
- Parallel lines represent information stored (the "data stores").
- Arrows represent information exchanged (the "data flows").

### 3 Process Diagrams

#### Level 1 Diagram



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### 4 Process Descriptions

#### 4.1 Extract

The purpose of the *Extract* step is to find data of sufficient readability and freshness for the performance analyses.

Before executing this step, check that the definitions of the desired performance analyses are precise enough to make the data selection straightforward.

After executing this step, you should have:

- Identified all potential sources of information.
- Selected relevant data from all sources.
- <...>.

## 5 Example - Preparing Data for a Web Site Traffic Analysis

In this example, the performance analyses will look at the home locations of Web site visitors.

Name	Web Site Traffic Analysis
1.1 Extract	Obtain the data about visitors maintained by the Web server.
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