



USA Staffing

Applicant Flow Data Workgroup Meeting

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- **Report Consumer Guidance**
 - Accessing and Navigating Cognos
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 - Standard Applicant Flow Data Reports Overview
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 - U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission – *Martha Hennen*
- **Open Demo and Q&A**

AFD Resources on the USA Staffing Resource Center:

https://help.usastaffing.gov/USASUpgResCtr/index.php/Reports_and_Analytics



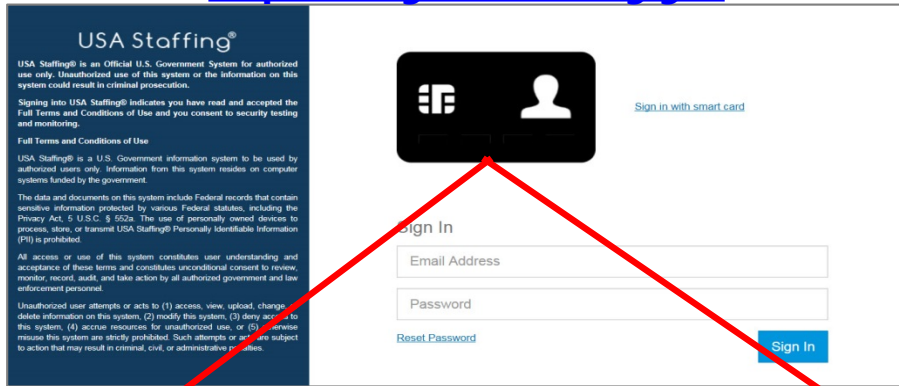
Report Consumer Guidance



Accessing Cognos

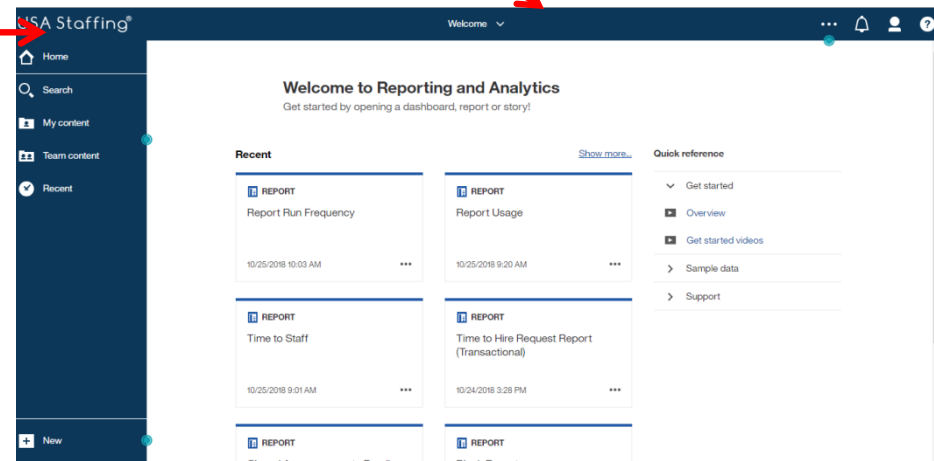
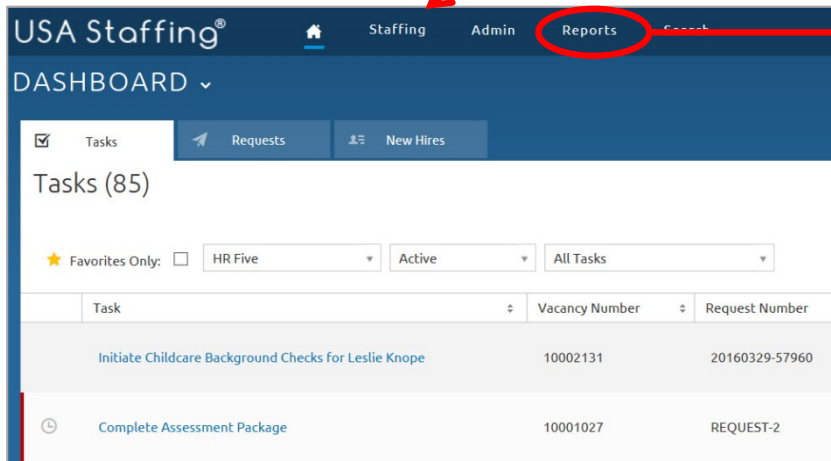
USA Staffing Login

<https://stage.usastaffing.gov>



Staffing User Access

Report Author Only and AFD Only Access





Navigating the Welcome Page

The Welcome Page allows users to **navigate and search for reporting content**

The screenshot shows the USA Staffing interface. On the left is a dark blue navigation sidebar with the following items: Home, Search, My content, Team content, Recent, Report, Dashboard, Story, Data module, Other, Upload files, and New. On the right is the main content area titled 'Welcome to Reporting and Analytics' with a 'Recent' section containing report cards. Callout boxes on the left point to specific features: 'Search' points to the Search icon; 'My Content Formerly "My Folders"' points to the My content icon; 'Team Content Formerly "Public Folders"' points to the Team content icon; and 'New Report Authors can create new Reports, Dashboards, and Stories' points to the New icon. A callout box on the right points to the 'Recent' section of the report cards.

Search
Search for reports and models

My Content
Formerly "My Folders"

Team Content
Formerly "Public Folders"

New
Report Authors can create new Reports, Dashboards, and Stories

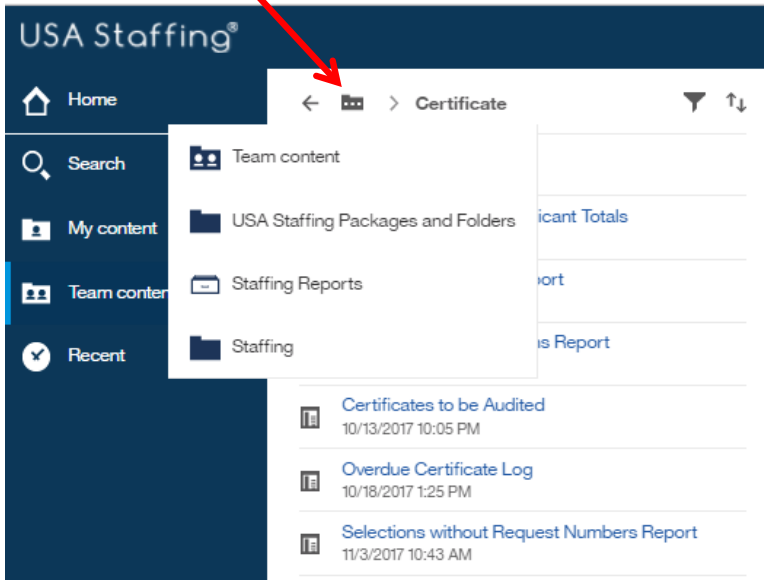
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View recently accessed reports



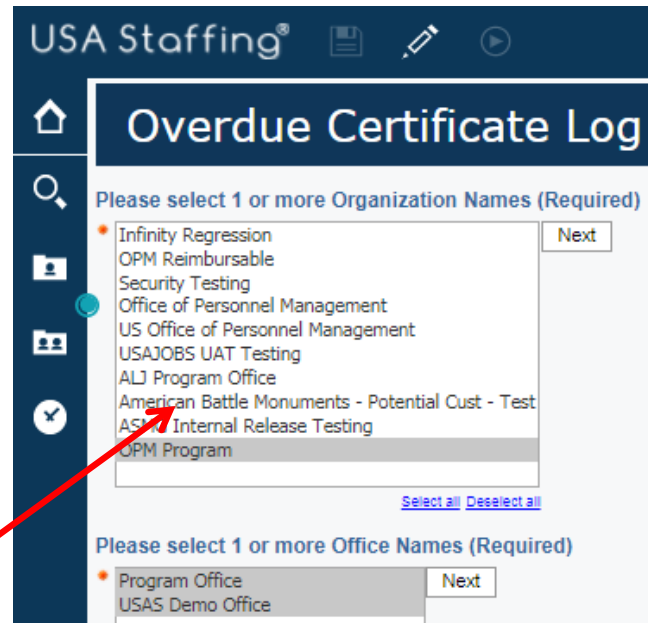
Running an Existing Report

1. Locate Report

Navigate to the desired report through Team Content



2. Run Report
Enter prompt values and run the report



3. Export Report

Reports can be run and exported as HTML, PDF, Excel, CSV, or XML



- Run HTML
- Run PDF
- Run Excel
- Run Excel data
- Run CSV
- Run XML
- Show run options



Running Reports Live vs. In the Background

Users can run reports live or set a report to run in the background and receive a notification when the report has completed.

Live Reports

- Run immediately
- Allow a single output format to be selected for each run
- Allow a single report to be run at a time

Background Reports

- Can be run immediately or scheduled to run at a certain time
- Allow multiple output formats to be selected for each run
- Creates a queue of reports to be run; reports may run simultaneously

Run as

Run in background

Excel

Excel Data

PDF

HTML

CSV

XML

Prompt me



Click the toggle to run a report in the background

Run



Running a Report in the Background

1. Locate Report

Navigate to the desired report through Team Content

← > Announcement

Closed Announcements Pending Certificates
1/3/2019 8:59 AM

Incomplete Applications Report
1/2/2019 10:31 AM

Open Announcements
12/21/2018 11:59 AM

Open Announcements Not Released
1/2/2019 10:52 AM

2. Click the ... and select Run as

Reporting and Anal

- Run as
- Edit report
- Create report view
- View versions
- Properties
- Copy or move
- Create shortcut
- Embed
- Share
- Delete

Run as

Run in background

- Excel
- Excel Data
- PDF
- HTML
- CSV
- XML

Prompt me

3. Click Run in background toggle

Run



Running a Report in the Background

4. Select report output(s)

Run as

Run in background

Excel

Excel Data

PDF

HTML

CSV

XML

Prompt me

Advanced

Run

5. Set Advanced Options

Run the report immediately or at a specific time and choose Delivery options

Advanced

Now Later

Languages >

Delivery >

Run

6. Set Delivery method(s) and click "Done"

If the report includes prompts, they will be presented

< Back Delivery

Send report by email

Print report

Save report

Done

< Back Delivery

Send report by email

Attach the report

To: >

Subject:

A new version of Closed Announcements Penc

cc: bcc:



Report Subscriptions

Cognos allows users to **subscribe to any report** to have report **output delivered** at specified intervals

The screenshot shows the 'Cognos Reports List' interface with a 'Subscribe' dialog box open. The dialog box contains the following fields and options:

- When do you want to receive this report?**: A text input field.
- On day(s)**: A row of seven buttons representing days of the week: M, T, **W** (highlighted), T, F, S, S.
- Time**: A dropdown menu showing '3:13 PM'.
- Format**: A dropdown menu showing 'HTML'.
- Delivery**: A dropdown menu showing 'Save'.
- Prompts**: A dropdown menu showing '4 schedule prompt values'.
- Buttons**: 'Create' and 'Cancel' buttons at the bottom.

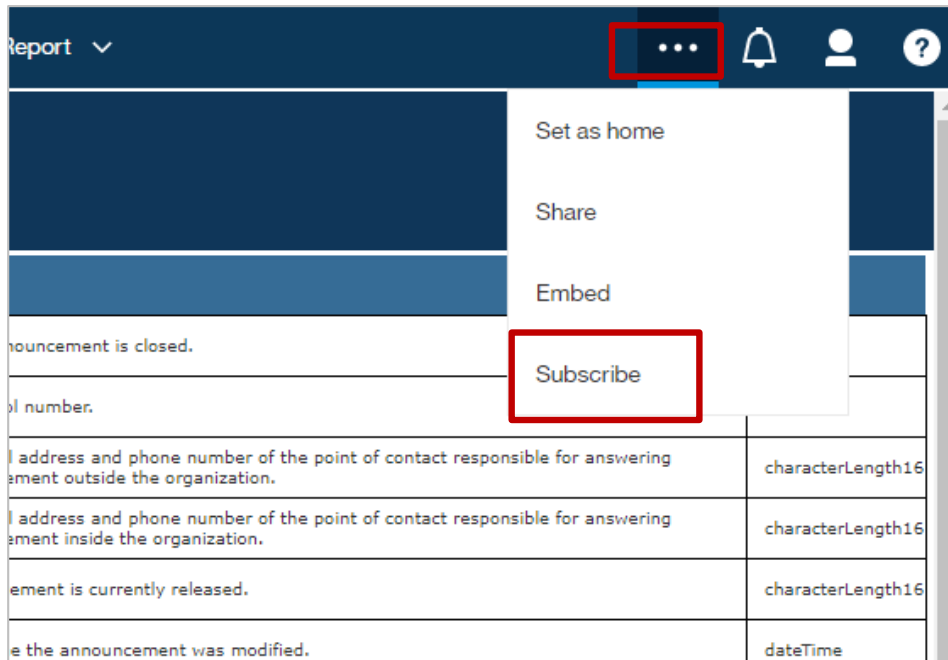
- Report subscriptions save report output in your My Content
- Users first have to run the report before subscribing; Cognos saves the parameter values
- After a report is scheduled, users are notified each time the report is run

The use of Subscriptions is recommended rather than Scheduling as it provides greater flexibility and minimizes the potential that report output will be saved over the report itself.



Report Subscriptions

Cognos allows users to **subscribe to any report** to have report **output delivered** at specified intervals



- To subscribe to a report, first run the report.
- If the report has prompts the prompt values you select will be remembered in your subscription and used every time the report is run.
- From the report output click on the ellipsis, then click on Subscribe.



Report Subscriptions

Subscribe

When do you want to receive this report?

On day(s) M T W T F S S

Time 2:19 PM

Format HTML >

Delivery Save >

Prompts 1 schedule prompt value >

Create Cancel

< Back Format

HTML

PDF

Excel

Excel Data

CSV

XML

Done

< Back Delivery

Send report by email

Print report

Save report

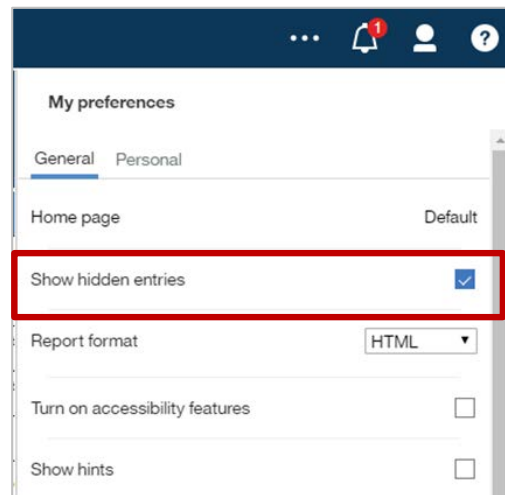
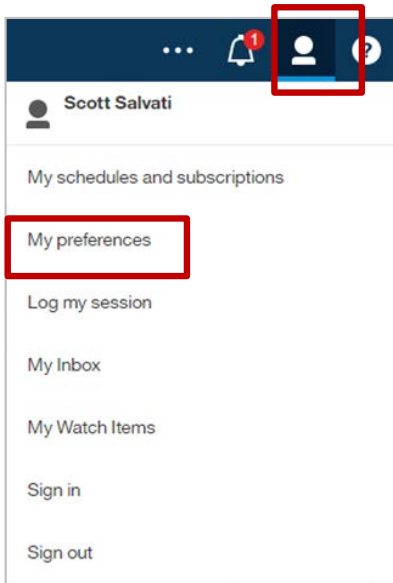
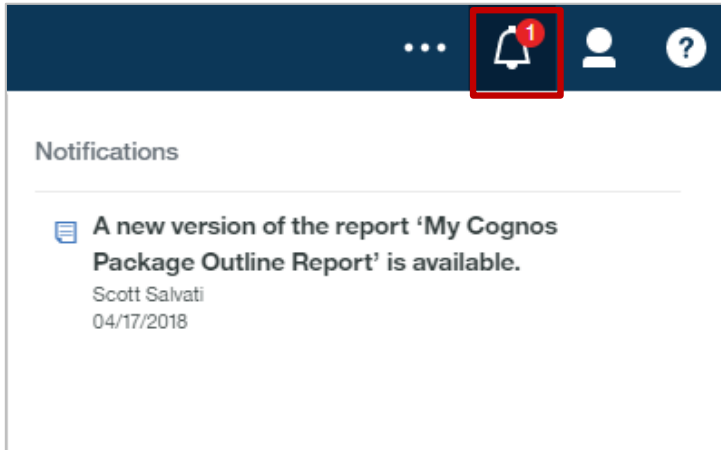
Done

- A menu pops up allowing you to pick which day(s) of the week to run the report and what time to run it.
- If you choose Format you can pick one or more report output format(s)
- If you choose Delivery you can choose how to receive the report results
- Prompts will allow you to view the prompt values the report will run with, but you can't change them.

Users are unable to send reports via email due to current security settings



Report Subscriptions



- You will receive a notification in Cognos when the report you subscribed to runs.
- Click on the bell icon to see the notification
- Subscribed reports are stored in a hidden "Subscriptions" folder in My Content
- To display the hidden folder, click on the user icon, select My Preferences, and check the Show hidden entries option



Report Subscriptions

Scott Salvati

- My schedules and subscriptions
- My preferences
- Log my session
- My Inbox
- My Watch Items
- Sign in
- Sign out

- To manage subscriptions, click on My schedules and subscriptions from the User icon
- Users can view Upcoming, Current, and Past subscriptions

My schedules and subscriptions

Schedule

Enabled 1

Disabled 0

Name	Modified	Type	Scheduled by	Status	Priority
My Cognos Package Outline Report	4/17/2018 2:58 PM		Scott Salvati	Enabled	3



Standard Applicant Flow Data Reports Overview



MD-715 "A" Tables

Team content > USA Staffing Packages and Folders > Applicant Flow Data > Applicant Flow Data Analytics

This report includes summarized applicant responses to ethnicity/race and sex demographic questions in the USAJOBS job seeker profile to respond to the MD-715 requirements for the "A" Tables (Mission Critical Occupations Distribution by Race, Ethnicity, and Sex).

Sex Response	Total Applications	Qualified Applications	Referred Applications	Selected Applications
Male	659	172	108	5
Female	1,381	461	285	7
Omitted	523	176	134	8
Total Applications	2,563	809	527	20

Sex and Ethnicity/Race Response	Total Applications	Qualified Applications	Referred Applications	Selected Applications
Hispanic or Latino Males	89	15	9	
Hispanic or Latino Females	165	50	24	
White Males	208	56	39	
White Females	272	87	59	
Black or African American Males	294	85	50	

Required Prompts:

- Organization Name(s)
- Office Name(s)
- Fiscal Year(s)

Optional Prompts:

- Customer Name(s)
- Occupational Series
- Grade(s)
- Announcement Appointment Type(s)
- Supervisory Position
- Announcement Type(s)
- Vacancy Number(s)
- Application Submitted Date Range



MD-715 "B" Tables

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This report includes summarized applicant responses to disability questions in the USAJOBS job seeker profile to respond to the MD-715 requirements for the "B" Tables (Mission Critical Occupations Distribution by Disability).

Total Disability	Total Applications	Qualified Applications	Referred Applications	Selected Applications
No Disability (05)	1,202	584	364	9
Not Identified (01)	1,260	648	450	15
Disability (02-03, 06-99)	268	151	69	2
Total Applications	2,730	1,383	883	26

Targeted Disability	Total Applications	Qualified Applications	Referred Applications	Selected Applications
Developmental Disability (2)	4	2	0	
Traumatic Brain Injury (3)	11	6	4	
Deaf or Serious Difficulty Hearing (19)	21	10	4	
Blind or Serious Difficulty Seeing (08)	7	5	0	

Required Prompts:

- Organization Name(s)
- Office Name(s)
- Fiscal Year(s)

Optional Prompts:

- Customer Name(s)
- Occupational Series
- Grade(s)
- Announcement Appointment Type(s)
- Supervisory Position
- Announcement Type(s)
- Vacancy Number(s)
- Application Submitted Date Range



Applicant Flow Data Detail Report

Team content > USA Staffing Packages and Folders > Applicant Flow Data > Applicant Flow Data Analytics

This report includes detailed data related to applicant responses to ethnicity/race and sex demographic questions in the USAJOBS job seeker profile. Information gathered from this report can be aggregated to respond to MD-715 2.0 requirements or to complete other AFD analyses.

Application Last Submitted Date	Application Record Status Code	Application Record Status Code Description	Applied Indicator	Qualified Indicator	Referred Indicator	Selected Indicator	Not Referred - Ineligible Indicator	Not Referred - Eligible Not on Certificate Indicator	Application Claimed Veterans Preference Description	Application Adjudicated Veterans Preference Description	Sex Response	Ethnicity and Race Category
12/27/2017	IN	Ineligible for Certificate	1	0	0	0	1	0	NP - No Preference.		Male	Omitted
01/05/2018	IN	Ineligible for Certificate	1	0	0	0	1	0	NP - No Preference.		Female	Omitted

Required Prompts:

- Organization Name(s)
- Office Name(s)
- Fiscal Year(s)

Optional Prompts:

- Customer Name(s)
- Occupational Series
- Grade(s)
- Announcement Appointment Type(s)
- Supervisory Position
- Announcement Type(s)
- Vacancy Number(s)
- Announcement Number(s)
- Application Submitted Date Range



Sharing Agency Practices

Martha Hennen

U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission



Open Demo and Q&A



Resources

USA Staffing Cognos AFD User Guide

Includes the Rules of Behavior, descriptions of data elements, and instructions for accessing AFD through Cognos

[https://help.usastaffing.gov/ResourceCenter/images/c/cf/Applicant Flow Data Access SOP 10-25-19.pdf](https://help.usastaffing.gov/ResourceCenter/images/c/cf/Applicant_Flow_Data_Access_SOP_10-25-19.pdf)

Cognos Training Program

Virtual training sessions are offered monthly, alternating between Report Consumer and Report Author training. Contact your USA Staffing Account Manager for upcoming dates and to register for trainings.

Advanced Author Forum

An opportunity for report authors to pose questions or get assistance working through issues in report development. Questions may be submitted in advance. No registration is necessary. Contact your USA Staffing Account Manager to get details for virtual meetings held on the first Thursday of each month from 11:00 AM EDT to 12:00 PM EDT.

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