

Thanks to all of you who attended. For those of you who submitted questions, you will find your answers in this document. If you do not find your question here, then it is either because you were asking about a feature that I was not able to demonstrate during this webinar and to which there is no online demo. I encourage you to ask those specific questions in the forums, where you are sure to receive an answer by a member of the Telerik Reporting team or within a day or two. Also, keep an eye out on my blog for announcements of future Telerik Reporting webinars, during which I will discuss more advanced features.

I want to know how to programmatically change data in a sub-report based upon values in the sub-reports dataset. I.e. Load different pictures based upon what was sold and the image location needs to be specified in code...it is not available within the query/dataset

Check the [Product Line Sales](#) example – it contains subreports, fed with different datasets. Also, review the [List Bound Report](#), where the image is bound to an URL, which in turn is received from the dataset.

I have looked at online examples of various Telerik report layouts, but I don't see basic reporting examples (i.e. tabular layouts of traditional financial reports). Do you have examples of these types of reports?

I showed something very similar to a financial report in the webinar, using the wizard. Actually, most Telerik Reporting examples are table-like and can be created easily. You can review the closest example we have – the inventory report [Product Catalog](#), which also shows the table layout. We do not have a financial report per se, but we will hopefully have such example in Q1 2009.

Will connection to Generic List also be shown in this demonstration?

Review the [List Bound Report](#), it shows a report bound to a Generic List.

Can we see the HTML preview?

Not this time. I'll see if I can show off some upcoming stuff in the next webinar (no promises though!).

Are you going to do a demo with a graph/chart? The data display info is fine but I'd like to see some more advanced features.

Look for a charting demo in future webinars where I will discuss more advanced topics. In the meantime, check out [this link](#) for details on how to use the charting report item.

Do the text boxes support vertical alignment (e.g. text can be aligned to top, middle, or bottom of textbox)? What about support for vertical text/angled text?

Yes, both scenarios are supported. To rotate the text so that it is at a different angle, in the designer simply select the curved lines at the edges of the TextBox and drag it to the angle you desire. Check out [this link](#) for some help with styling (for top/middle/bottom text-alignment).

No one to answer our questions?

Sorry, usually only one evangelist is hosting these weekly webinars. With hundreds of attendees we can't stop the webinar to answer questions as there would be no time. Questions are saved until the end. If your question does not get answered live, it will be answered afterwards and posted to the hosts blog.

Is Visual Studio the only report design environment available? If so, how does that work out for non-developer business users? Also, is there a way to build reports via the web?

My company's product is a middleware data application. We have an integrated report writer inside our application with a very similar layout and usage to the Telerik Reporting designer. Is it possible to use the Reporting Designer inside another application without going through Visual Studio?

I have been looking at Telerik reporting application for a period of time. This is a great solution where I or a developer creates the report structure in Visual Studio. Is there a way to create a report using a separate application? I would like to present my clients with an interface to create reports rather than having them come to me to create reports.

Currently Visual Studio is the only environment in which you can design your reports using Telerik's reporting tool. However, there are plans to provide a web-based solution for building reports outside of Visual Studio. Keep an eye on the [product road map](#) for more details.

I produce my reports dynamically. E.g. i don't know the number of columns or names of columns until runtime. Can you show the object model for creating reports dynamically using C#?

Can we create dynamically header labels and detail content?

Take a look at [this online document](#) describing how to create a report dynamically using C# or VB. In the same help area, you'll also find details on how to create report items, report sections, and how to export your reports programmatically.

Can you show an example of how to use the Report Parameters to filter the data displayed (e.g. constrain data rows included based upon date ranges, assuming a column is included that shows dates)?

Try this video: http://tv.telerik.com/reporting/video/Telerik_Trainer_-_Reporting_Parameters

Hi! Are you planning a release for Silverlight?

What I'm interested in is the ability to run the report in Silverlight, consuming web services. And ideally the report should be generated in XAML.

Is there any support Silverlight application?

We are definitely going to have Silverlight/WPF viewers.

What were those 4 sources again? IEnumerable and IListSource and...

I think [this is the answer](#) you are looking for.

MS Reporting Services, is it possible to convert the .rdl files MS uses?

Can I convert from SQL reporting services 2008?

We don't currently provide this out of the box. However, you can read the SSRS XML and convert it to our format manually. We have plans to include this functionality in future releases.

Where was the linq pad?

<http://www.linqpad.net/>

Am I alone to lose the signal (video and audio) every x minutes?

I'm sorry you were having technical difficulties TM. There were several hundred attendees but only you and another individual reported any such problems. If you were not able to resolve the issue, look for the recorded version of the webinar, which will be available on Telerik TV (<http://www.telerik.tv>) in a few days. Also, you can keep an eye on my blog as I will post an announcement there once it has been posted.

Very nice demo - thanks!

You're welcome. I'm glad you liked it!

What about the export features?

You can export your reports from the web/client ReportViewer control or programmatically. Click the save button and select the format in which you'd like to export your report. Check out [this link](#) for details on exporting from the viewer and [this link](#) for details on exporting programmatically.

Can you provide an idea of the max report size (pages)? We have pages that are in the 1,000s and need to render in PDF for archival purposes. What is performance?

We have tested our reporting tool with up to 2000 pages, but at that size report generation is slow. While improving rendering performance is one of our top priorities, Telerik Reporting may not be the right fit for you (yet!) if you have thousands of pages to archive. However, the cool thing is that you can try Telerik Reporting free by downloading the trial. It's not time-bombed so you can use it as long as you like. And feel free to ask questions in the forums!

How do you deploy to a web project?

You should use the ASP.NET ReportViewer control. It is installed in your VS toolbox under the 'Telerik Reporting' section when you install Telerik Reporting. Check out [this link](#) for more details.

Can parameters be provided to the report?

Yes, parameters can be provided to the report.

How do you create a generic report based on properties from a business object so the textboxes can be added to the form in the designer only bases on the properties in the business object?

Bind your report to the business objects. Then open the report in Visual Studio, open the Data Explorer from the Telerik menu, and drag and drop the needed fields to the design surface. <http://www.telerik.com/products/reporting/wizards-tools.aspx#report-and-data-explorers>

Will this work in medium trust?

If does not work in medium trust now, do you know when it will?

Not currently. However it is on our feature list and we hope to have it added to the product by the end of the year.

Can we generate reports dynamically in ASP.NET using dynamic queries instead of using a report library?

Yes, you can. You do not have to separate your reports into a separate 'Report Library' assembly. This is simply considered a best practice. Whether you include the report in your ASP.NET application or compile it in a separate assembly, you can still generate the report using dynamic queries by passing query parameters to your report.

Looks great, nice presentation.

Thanks! I'm happy to hear you enjoyed it.

When you deploy to a production web site, do you just copy the whole project to the production area and then you link to those report pages from other pages on your site?

The reports are compiled inside an assembly, so once you compile your project you only need to copy the assembly into your web application's bin folder. Then your web app can use any reports within the assembly.

Will this webinar available online anywhere?

I arrived late to the webinar. Is there a way to access the full webinar once it is finished?

The webinar will indeed be available on Telerik's new video training portal, [Telerik TV](#). I will announce on my blog when the video becomes available. Thanks for your interest!

Can I add formula field or do some conditional manipulation on a field in the report?

Yes.

Do you plan to have another webinar after this one?

I certainly do. The topic will be on more advanced Telerik Reporting features. Keep an eye on my blog for date confirmation and a signup link.

Can sub-reports use data from the primary report as a parameter?

Yes. Check out [this link](#) for more details.

Inside the Detail Section, does a developer have the option of running an expression on each data field displayed on the report?

Yes, you can run expressions on each field.

How do you access xml?

To use XML as a report data source, load the XML into a DataTable and assign the DataTable to the report DataSource property.

Can you do alternate row shading?

You certainly can. [Here](#) is an online demo, and [here](#) is the help doc that describes how to implement this feature.

Is there any level of code protection during report generation?

Are you referring to OEM licensing or obfuscation? Either way, the answer is yes. For OEM licensing contact sales@telerik.com for details. If obfuscation, we use normal .NET classes, so you can use standard methods to obfuscate your code.

Is there the ability to add parameters like SQL Reporting Services?

Are you referring to report parameters or datasource parameters. If report parameters:

http://tv.telerik.com/reporting/video/Telerik_Trainer_-_Reporting_Parameters. If datasource parameters:

<http://www.telerik.com/support/kb/reporting/general/using-data-source-with-parameters-in-telerik-reporting.aspx>

Can the new cross-tab feature be used as a Table layout where columns line up properly?

Yes!

Is charting ever going to be added to reporting?

Charting is already added to Telerik Reporting. Check out [this link](#) to learn more about the Chart Report Item.

How to use stored procedures in report?

All the examples linked directly to tables/queries - can you bind directly to stored procedures?

Data is separate from Telerik Reporting – if the data is fed to the report using the supported interfaces, Telerik Reporting will show it.

Are there any plans to include a drilldown feature within a report?

Yes, definitely. Hopefully we will have this by end of 2009.

Is the barcode control likely to support 2d codes any time soon?

Barcode types: I had a quick search online, and couldn't find any examples of the supported barcode types - does Telerik support any 2d barcode styles?

You can find the list of supported barcode types [here](#). We do not currently support 2d codes. This is the first inquiry we've received about this type. However, if we see enough demand for it, we will definitely include support for it.

Thanks for the excellent intro!

You're welcome. Keep an eye out for my next webinar which will cover more advanced topics.

You talked about CSS-like styling, where is it saved?

Styles are saved internally, but can be exported to be used with other reports. Take a look at [this help doc](#) for more details.

Kevin, Can you tie the image object to a file reference path or does it work only with Binary Data?

Yes you can. Check out [this link](#) for more details.