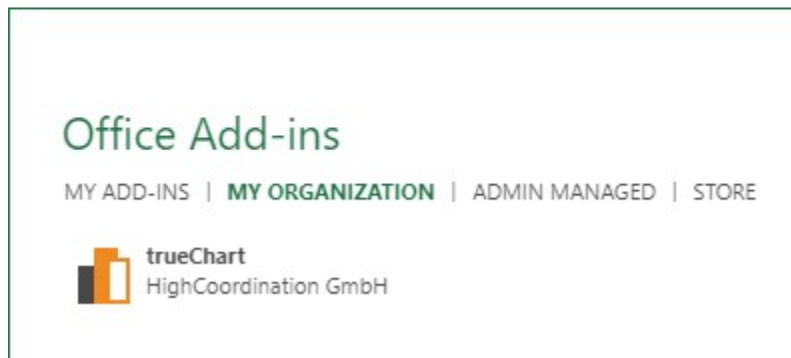
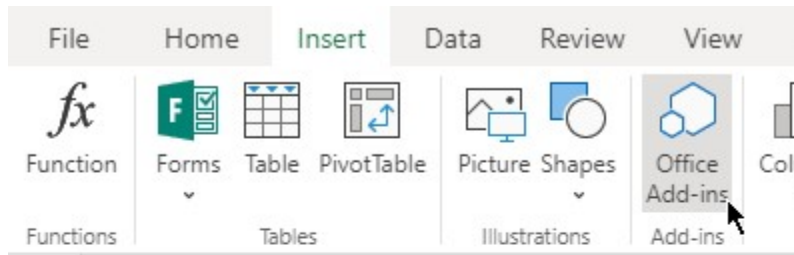


Getting started

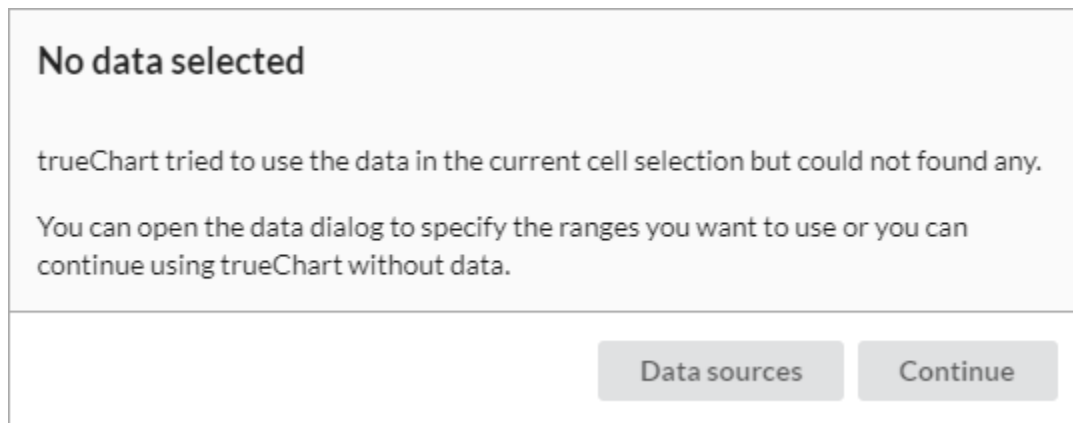
This article describes the first steps on using TRUECHART for Excel. It is assumed, TRUECHART for Excel is deployed in your workspace.

To add a TRUECHART visualization to your Excel worksheet, go to Excel's **Insert** tab, choose **Add-ins** and select **TRUECHART**. This will insert a new TRUECHART object into your worksheet.

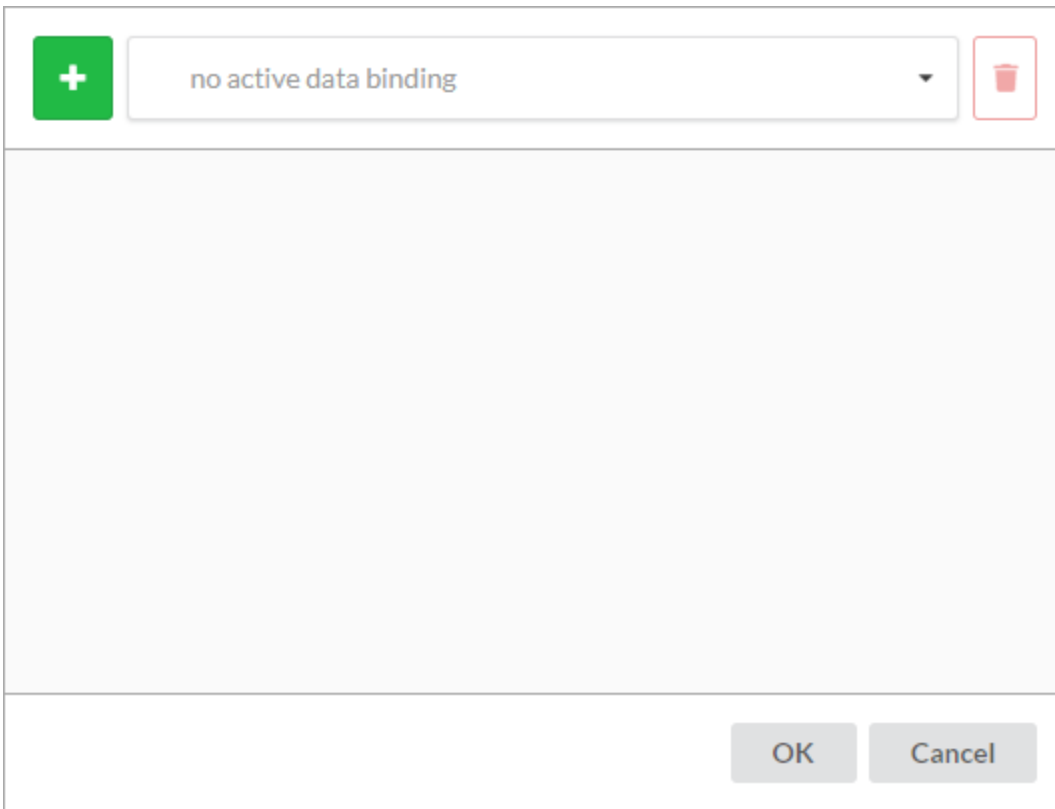


Adding data sources

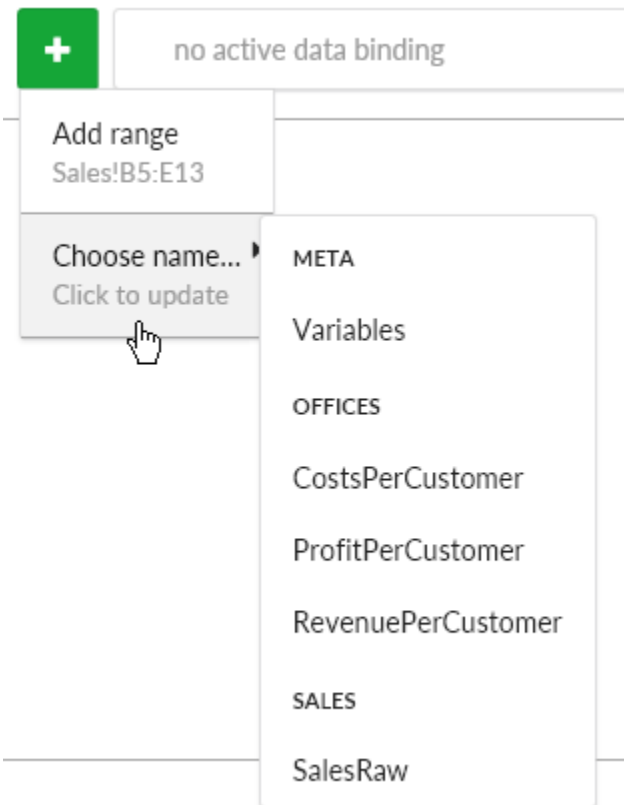
TRUECHART for Excel automatically creates a new data context for the currently selected data or the data the cursor resides on. If no usable data can be detected, you will be greeted with a notification:



From here, click on **Data sources** to add data manually.



Here you have the option to add a data context from a table, a range, or any named item on your sheet (which includes custom-named ranges and tables as well).



Using variables

In order to use Excel data as variables in TRUECHART, you need to create a variable table, add it as a data source to TRUECHART and click on **Use as variables**:

Key	Value
alfa	1
bravo	2
charlie	3
delta	4
echo	5
foxtrot	6
golf	7

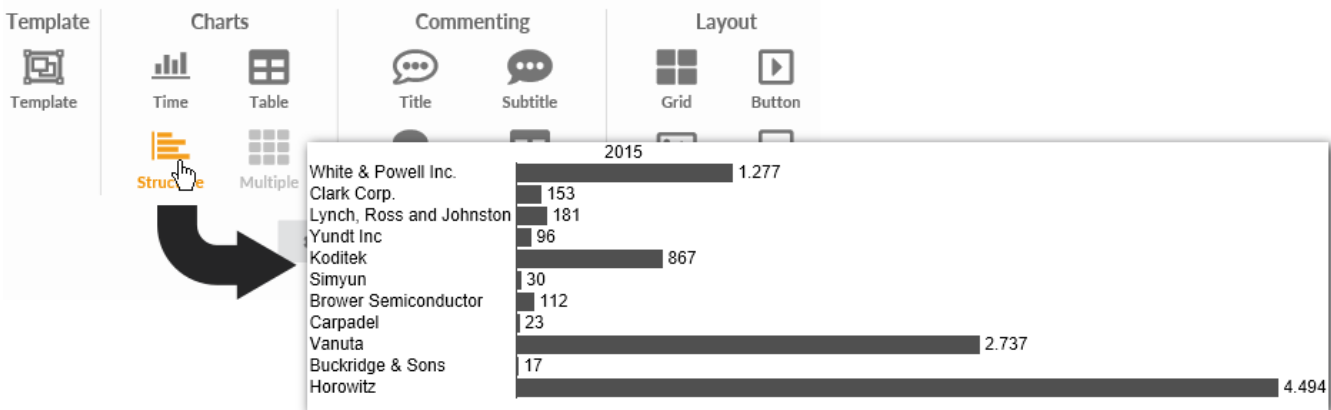
Column	Usage
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1	A Key (Dimension, text)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2	Value (Measure)

This dataset can be used as trueChart variables

Use as variables Include header row

Creating a chart

After you've added all the necessary data contexts, TRUECHART is ready to create charts:



Further steps

[Getting started with TRUECHART \(platform-independent introduction\)](#)

[Connecting to a TRUECHART Service \(commenting platform\)](#)