

AU Bar Chart

Description

A bar chart is a graphical representation of data where the length or height of the bars represents counts of records meeting the criteria. Bar charts can only be produced as HTML output and therefore the results will appear in a pop-up window in your browser.

Report options include display of antimicrobial use data by the category of antimicrobial category (antibacterial, antifungal, and anti-influenza) and by location.

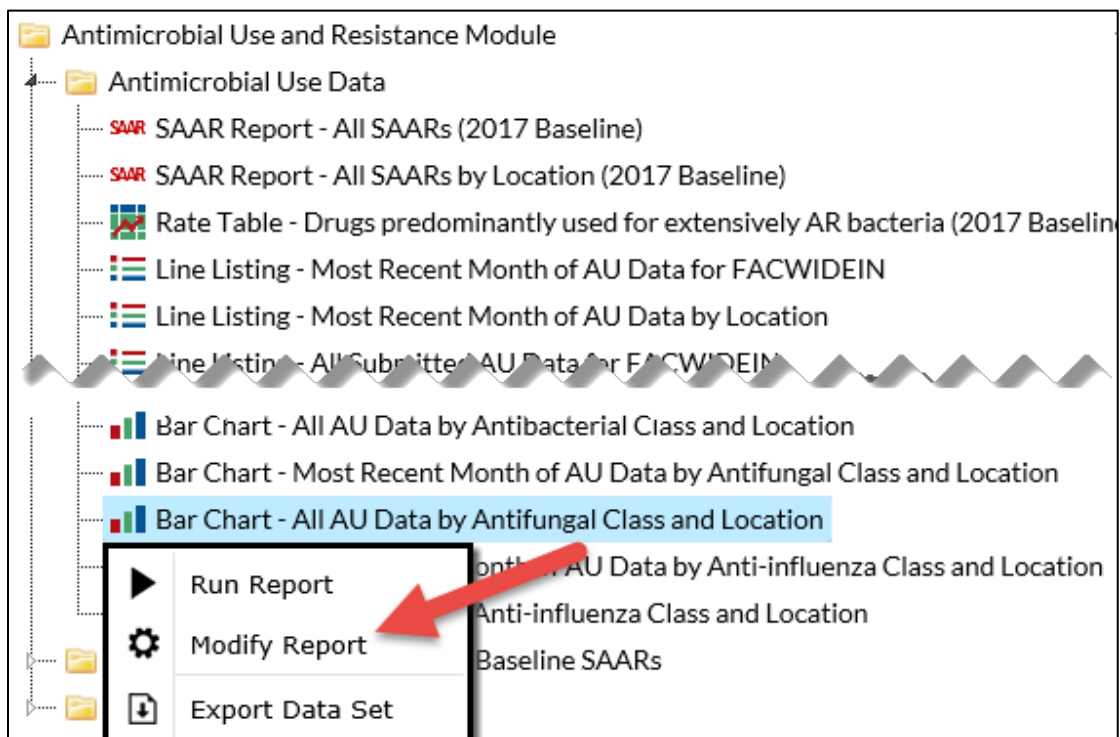
For a more basic explanation of the NHSN modification screen, refer to this document:

<https://www.cdc.gov/nhsn/pdfs/ps-analysis-resources/howtomodifyreport.pdf>.

Example (Using: Bar Chart – All AU Data by Antifungal Class and Location)

You would like to create a bar chart to graphically represent the distribution of antifungal prescribing in each critical care location in 2017 by class of antifungal. You would like to see vertical bars representing each class of antifungal with separate bar charts for each ICU location.

After generating datasets, to run a bar chart report, click Analysis > Reports > Antimicrobial Use and Resistance Module > Antimicrobial Use Data. After selecting the bar chart report you want, in this case, “Bar Chart – All AU Data by Antifungal Class and Location,” a pop-up box will appear that will allow you to “Run Report,” “Modify Report,” and “Export Data Set.” Select “Modify Report” to customize your report.



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Modifying the Report

When you choose to modify the report, the modification screen appears showing multiple tabs containing available modifications for the given report. The “Title/Format” tab allows you to update the report title.

To filter the data by time period, choose the “Time Period” tab at the top of the page. In this example, we have limited the report to 2017 (Summary~Yr).

Tip: For more descriptive variable labels on your report, check the box “Show descriptive variable names” that appears near the top of the modification window (recommended).

The screenshot shows the 'Modify "Bar Chart - All AU Data by Antifungal Class and Location"' interface. At the top, there is a header bar with the title and a sub-header. Below the header, there is a navigation bar with four tabs: 'Title/Format', 'Time Period' (which is highlighted in green), 'Filters', and 'Display Options'. The 'Time Period' tab is active, showing a 'Time Period:' section with a 'Date Variable' dropdown set to 'Summary~Yr', a 'Beginning' text box containing '2017', and an 'Ending' text box containing '2017'. There is a 'Clear Time Period' button to the right. Below this, there is a checkbox labeled 'Enter Date variable/Time period at the time you click the Run button'. At the bottom right, there are four buttons: 'Run', 'Save...', 'Export...', and 'Close'.

The “Filters” tab allows you to further filter the data that will be displayed in the report. For our example, we want to filter the report to only show data for antifungals in the critical care location type. First, select the variable “Antimicrobial Category” from the drop-down menu, set the operator to “equal” then select the value “Antifungal”. Next, click “Add rule” to add an additional filter. Then select the variable “Location Type” from the drop-down menu, set the operator to “equal” and select the value “CC - CC”.

The screenshot shows the 'Modify "Bar Chart - All AU Data by Antifungal Class and Location"' interface with the 'Filters' tab selected. The 'Additional Filters:' section is visible, showing two filter rules. The first rule is for 'Antimicrobial Category' with the operator 'equal' and the value 'Antifungal'. The second rule is for 'Location Type' with the operator 'equal' and the value 'CC - CC'. There are 'Show' and 'Clear' buttons at the top of the filter section. Below the filter rules, there are buttons for 'Add group', 'Add rule', and 'Delete'. At the bottom right, there are four buttons: 'Run', 'Save...', 'Export...', and 'Close'.

Tip: For including more than one item in each filter such as multiple antimicrobial categories or multiple location types, the “in” operator can be used instead of the “equal” operator.

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The “Display Options” tab allows you to display the chart variable, stratification variable, the page-by variable, and the numeric variable to be charted for the entire time period selected.

- The “Chart Variable” is the variable being graphed on the bar chart; in this case, the variable is Antimicrobial class.
- Different colored bars will be “stacked” on each bar to represent the different values of the “Stratification Variable” if a stratification variable is chosen.
- Different bar charts can be created for each value of the “Page by” variable; here by “location”.
- The “Select Numeric Variable to Chart,” here “antimicrobialDays”, will determine the length or height of the bars.
- You can select 2D or 3D bars, placed either horizontally or vertically on the chart.
- You can also decide to place descriptive statistics (i.e., percent and count) either inside or outside the bars.

Modify "Bar Chart - All AU Data by Antifungal Class and Location"

Show descriptive variable names ([Print List](#)) Analysis Data Set: SummaryAU Type: Bar Chart Summary Data Set Generated On: 01/23/2019 16:40:00

Title/Format **Time Period** **Filters** **Display Options**

Bar Chart Options

Chart Variable	Stratification Variable	Page by	Select Numeric Variable to Chart
Antimicrobial Class		Location	antimicrobialDays
Orientation of Bars:	2D Vertical		
Placement of the Percent:	Outside		
Placement of the Value:	Inside		

Run **Save...** **Export...** **Close**

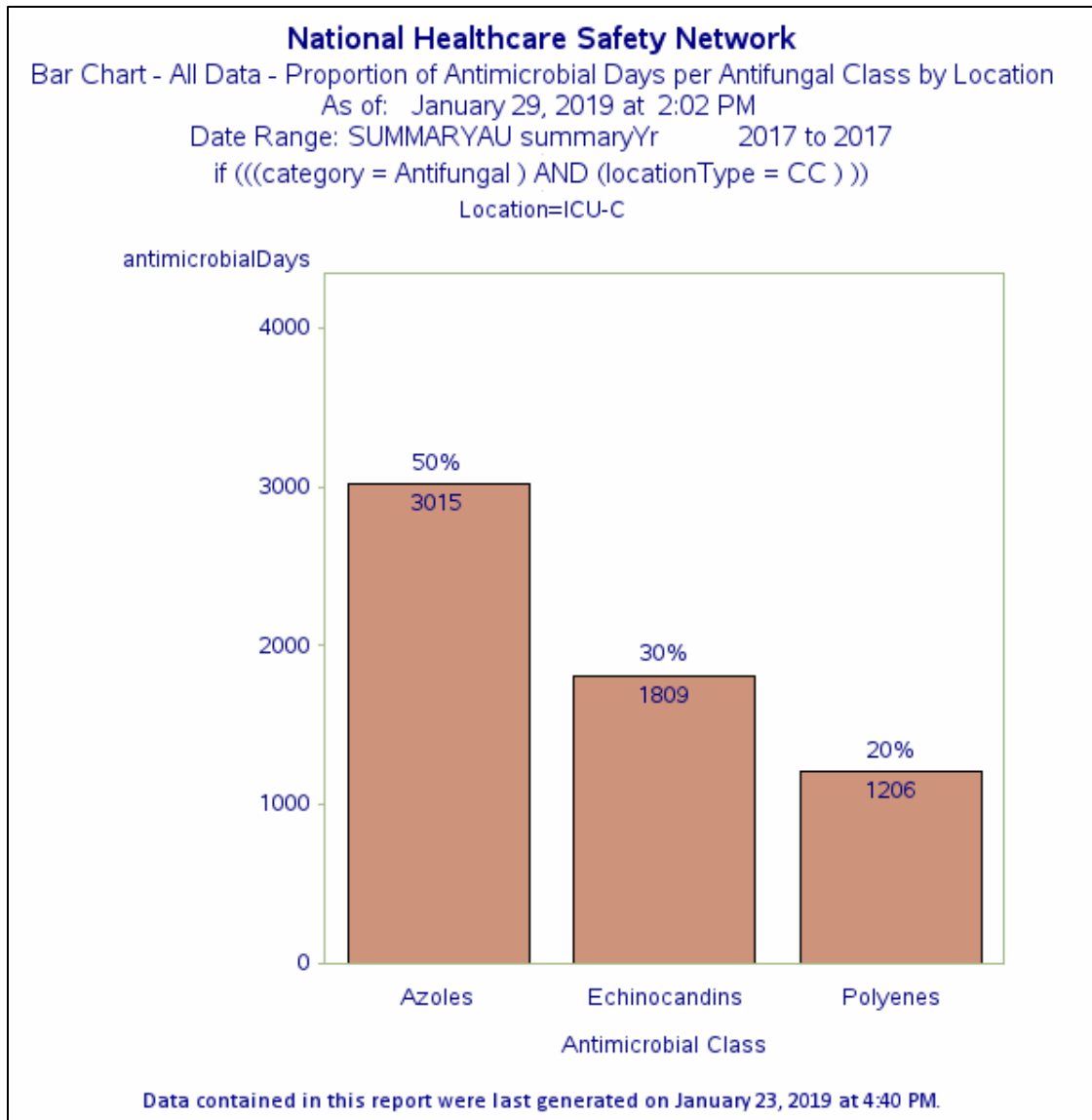
Final Report

The example bar chart below is the result of the modifications shown in this document. This example displays days of antifungal therapy for the entire year of 2017.

- The y-axis (antimicrobialDays) is the total number of antimicrobial days and is represented by the height of the bars.
- The x-axis is antimicrobial class (antifungal class in this example). One bar is displayed for each antifungal class.
- The taller the bar, the greater number of antimicrobial days contributed by that class of antifungal. In this example, in ICU-C Azoles contributed 3015 antimicrobial days or 50% of antifungal therapy for the year 2017, compared to Polyenes that contributed 1206 antimicrobial days or 20% of antifungal therapy for 2017.
- In this example, we choose Location Type as our “Page by” selection criteria, and therefore have one bar chart for each critical care unit. The example shown here is location ICU-C.

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Note: This example uses fictitious data for illustrative purposes only.



Additional Resources

AUR Module Protocol: <http://www.cdc.gov/nhsn/pdfs/pscmanual/11pscaurcurrent.pdf>

Introduction to NHSN Analysis: <https://www.cdc.gov/nhsn/pdfs/training/2018/intro-to-analysis-508.pdf>

How to Export Data from NHSN: <http://www.cdc.gov/nhsn/pdfs/ps-analysis-resources/exportdata.pdf>

Surveillance for Antimicrobial Use Option: <http://www.cdc.gov/nhsn/acute-care-hospital/aur/>