ENGERY VISION

User Guide





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Change log

Please refer to this section of the documentation for the ENERGY VISION NX changelog.

Previous Version	Current Version	Changes / Updates
-	2.0.20	Full release

Welcome

Welcome to ENERGY VISION NX NX. The purpose of this document is to assist in engineering an ENERGY VISION NX station, explaining the unique features and settings while advising on any tips and tricks to best utilize the software.



ENERGY VISION NX requires Niagara version 4.2 or above. We recommend 4.2.36.10 or greater.

Installation

To install ENERGY VISION NX, follow the steps below. Prior to installation, ensure that the Niagara station and workbench are not running. Additionally, when ENERGY VISION NX was purchased, download the modules and demo station from the partner web.

- 1. Open the module folder received which contains ENERGY VISION NX.
- 2. Navigate to the module folder for Niagara > C:\Niagara\Niagara-4.2.36.34\modules [Version number may differ].
- 3. Copy and paste the ENERGY VISION NX modules into the Niagara Module folder.
- 4. Start Platform Daemon.
- 5. Restart Station



To check that ENERGY VISION NX has installed correctly, open the palette, search for ENERGY VISION NX and the appropriate components should be listed.

Once these steps have been completed the ENERGY VISION NX service needs to be added to your station. Once you start engineering your station using ENERGY VISION NX components, when the station is restarted the ENERGY VISION NX Service will automatically be added to your station. Alternatively, simply add the ENERGY VISION NX Service from the Palette file.



ENERGY VISION NX works best when used in conjunction with a 64-bit Niagara Installation. If you are using a 32-bit Niagara installation it may be worth considering installation the 64-bit version. If this is not possible, please read the notes in the troubleshooting guide.



Due to the differences between ENERGY VISION AX and ENERGY VISION NX, it is not possible to automatically migrate one to the other. The station would have to be re-engineered with the new version of ENERGY VISION NX.

Licensing

ENERGY VISION NX licensing limits the number of **unique histories** that can be used within the ENERGY VISION NX station.



The number of Aggregators you used is not limited by ENERGY VISION NX licensing.

Check license status

It is possible to check how many **unique histories** are being used in the station, and how this corresponds to your licensed amount. Within workbench, load the **spy pages** view on the **ENERGY VISION NX Service**. This will provide you an overview of your licensing status.

ENERGY VISION NX Data

Aggregators

The aggregator is at the core of ENERGY VISION NX, connecting history data sources to the charts.

An aggregator is a virtual representation of a physical meter in the field. Aggregators also have the option to add external data from a file.

Aggregators normalise data of one or more meters into a 'virtual' meter. For example, 4 sub meters in the field can be merged into 1 ENERGY VISION NX aggregator representing a floor. Another example would be subtracting renewable from non-renewables.



Each Aggregator can be made up of up to 50 histories.



Removing histories **will permanently delete** the stored data in the ENERGY VISION NX database.

Using Aggregators

There are two main ways of configuring and using aggregators in ENERGY VISION NX. Firstly, by manually adding histories to an aggregator, and secondly by using the Site Hierarchy.

Manually adding histories to aggregators

This method is particularly useful when the user is adding a small number of meters to one page.

- 1. Open folder in which the aggregator needs to be added.
 - a. Right Click on the folder and select Views > Wire Sheet.
- 2. Open the **Palette** ensuring that the **ENERGY VISION NX Palette** is opened.
- 3. Expand the folder Aggregator.
- 4. Drag & drop the **Aggregator** component onto the **Wire Sheet.**
- 5. Double click on the **Aggregator** component.
- 6. Right click in the property sheet, select **Actions** > **Add Meters**.
- 7. Enter the number of **Meters** that need to be added.
- 8. Click OK.
- 9. Respective to the number of **Meters** added in step 7, **EvMeter** (1,2,3 etc....) will be added.
- 10. Expand EvMeter.
- 11. The Ord line will display null.
- 12. Click the drop-down icon next to the folder icon.
 - a. Select **History Ord Chooser**.
- 13. Using the pop-up, navigate through your histories selecting the appropriate file.

14. Once selected, click **Ok.**To add further, repeat steps **10**, **11**, **12** (a), **13** & **14**.

Site Hierarchy

The Task of "Site Hierarchy" is to simplify the creation of an aggregator and its assigned histories.



As a pre-requisite to using the Site Hierarchy function, it is assumed that the folder structure for the station has already been created. We would **STRONGLY recommend** that folders have already been created as this makes bringing in histories easier, allowing the engineer to see the hierarchy of the station.

Discovering histories using Site Hierarchy

- 1. Expand the station in the Nav bar
- 2. **Expand** Config → Services → ENERGY VISION NX
- 3. Double Click on Site Hierarchy
- 4. Now, a new window will have appeared. (This may take a minute or 2 to open depending on the amount of histories within the station).
 - a. **Station** This window is the complete hierarchy of the station.
 - b. **Discovered** Shows the history structure
 - i. If no histories have been discovered yet, at the bottom of the window click **Discover**. This will now search the network for any histories.
 - c. **Current Path: Slot:/** This window is the folder structure of the station. This is where the aggregators will be added too.
 - d. **Site Meter Tree** Once aggregators have been created, they will show in the site meter tree.
- 5. Using the **Discovered** window, navigate through the histories.

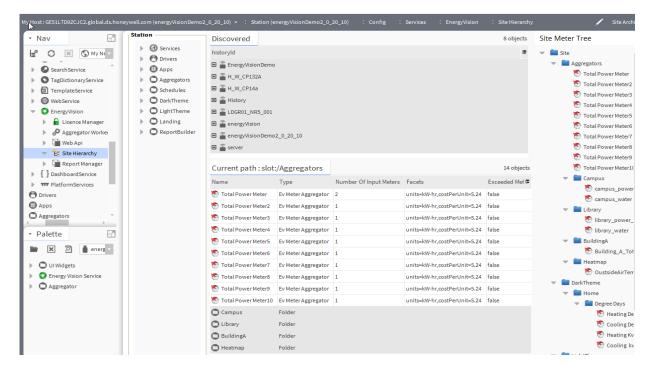


FIGURE 1 - EXAMPLE OF SITE HIERARCHY

Adding Histories to Aggregators Using Site Hierarchy

Now that histories have been discovered, it is now possible to assign histories to an aggregator

Assign Single History to an Aggregator

- 1. To bring in a **single history**, ensure the folder that the meter will be added to is open in the **Current Path** window below. This is where the aggregator will be added too.
- 2. Select the **History**.
- 3. At the bottom of the window, click Add.
- 4. A pop-up window will now appear. Rename the aggregator if needed; if not, the aggregator will be named after the history it is being linked too.
- 5. The aggregator, with the history linked to it, will now be added to the folder opened in the **Current Path** window.
- 6. To add further single histories, repeat steps 1, 2, 3 & 4.

Assign Multiple Histories to an Aggregator

- 1. To bring in a **multiple history**, ensure the folder that the meter will be added to is open in the **Current Path** window below. This is where the aggregator will be added too.
- 2. Select the **Histories**.
- 3. At the bottom of the window, click **Add Group.**
- 4. A pop-up window will now appear. Rename the aggregator if needed; if not, the aggregator will be named after the history it is being linked too.
- 5. The aggregator, with the history linked to it, will now be added to the folder opened in the **Current Path** window.

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To add further histories repeat steps 1, 2, 3 & 4



It is paramount that the naming of your aggregators is kept relevant in the initial engineering stage. This is due to the fact the charts/graphs/dials/gauges all pull the name of the aggregator through and will be on display. For example, we would **STRONGLY recommend NOT** naming aggregators *Meter 1, Meter 2, etc...* rather call them something like, *Floor 1, Room 2, etc.* ensuring that they remain specific to data they are processing.

Aggregator Facets

When adding multiple history files, the aggregator engineering unit must be added manually. This is achieved by configuring the facets of the Aggregator. In the same dialog, the cost per unit can be configured. This is used when displaying reports based on cost conversion (This is explained in the **Reporting** section of this manual).

To manually add a facet

- 1. Open the Aggregator Property Sheet
- 2. Click the >> icon in the Facets Property
- 3. Configure the Units Property
- 4. Configure the costPerUnit Property

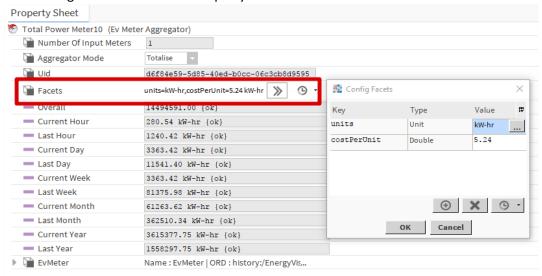


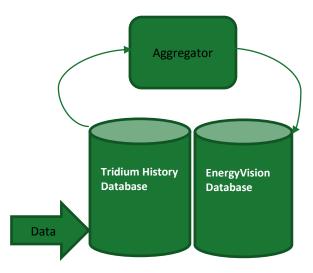
FIGURE 2 - EXAMPLE OF A FACET



Units for an Aggregator is taken automatically from the assigned history file.

File Structure

Working alongside the in-built Tridium database, ENERGY VISION NX's new proprietary format database is highly compressed and streamlined for optimum performance. Below is a graphical representation of the new database structure.



In the chart to the left is a representation of how the data is bought into ENERGY VISION NX.

- 1. Data enters the Tridium history database.
- 2. Data accessed by history specific aggregators.
- 3. Once complete, the aggregator adds a copy of that history into ENERGY VISION NX's database.
- 4. The chart will always access the history created by the aggregator in the ENERGY VISION NX database.

Accessing ENERGY VISION NX via a Web Browser

As with all N4 Niagara Stations it is possible to view your station via a web browser. Some features of ENERGY VISION NX are only available when accessed in a web browser and are unavailable in workbench. (There will be a clear indication when this is the case). Below are some steps to ensure that your station will be accessible via a web browser.

- 1. Ensure the station is running in Niagara. (Platform > Application Director > [STATION NAME] running.
 - a. If it isn't running, click start in the controls pane below.
- 2. Allow the station time to start running. Usually 2 minutes (depending on the size of the station).
- 3. Now, open the web browser.
- 4. Type: localhost into the browser
 - a. If the port on which the station is running hasn't been changed the default port number is 80. If the port number has been changed manually, for example, to port 81, type: localhost:81.
- 5. A log in window should now appear.
 - a. Enter the station's credentials.
- 6. The station should now be loaded within the web browser.

To change and/or check the port on which the station is running, follow the below instructions:

- 1. Ensure the station is connected.
- 2. Expand the **station** → Config → Services
- 3. Double click on Web Service.
- 4. Check HTTP(S) Port numbers. This will determine which port to access the station.



We recommend viewing ENERGY VISION NX graphical components in the latest version of Google Chrome for the best experience.



Ensure the latest version of Chrome is installed on the Server (where the ENERGY VISION NX station is running). **This is critical to report generation.**

1. Recommended Browsers

- Google Chrome (v50 and above)
- Opera (v37 and above)
- Firefox (v47 and above

Demo Station

If you are using the provided demo station as a starting point for your own station, the login details are as follows.

Username: "demo" or "admin"

Password: "Clax123456"



Default Username and Password should be changed in your own station for security!

ENERGY VISION NX Reports

There are two types of reports which ENERGY VISION NX can generate: Instant Reports and Automated Reports.

Instant Reports

ENERGY VISION NX charts can produce an instant report as a PNG, PDF or CSV file. The diagram below shows the chart controls and their functionality.

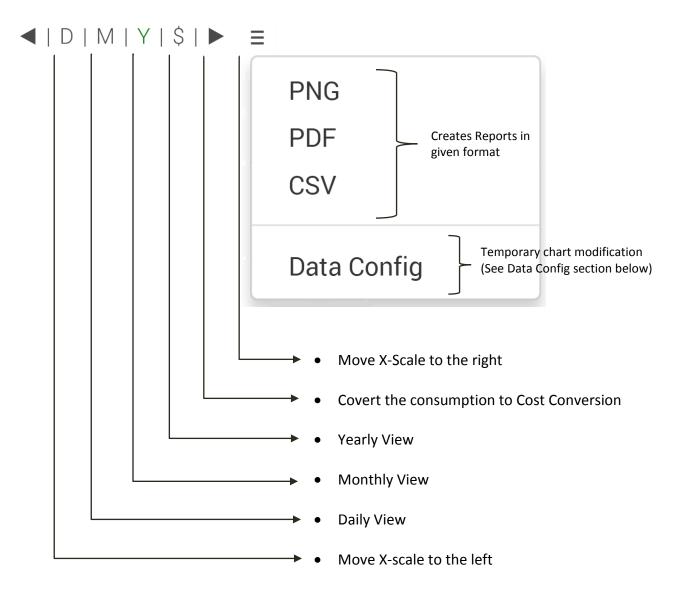


Figure 3 - Chart controls and functionality

Daily / Monthly / Yearly Profiles

The D|M|Y profiles that feature in each of the charting components are interactive buttons allowing the user the view data from a different time-period.

For example, if the user is viewing the line chart in 'Daily' mode, they would see the most recent data from that day. Using the arrows $\blacktriangleleft \blacktriangleright$ the user can navigate forwards and back through the data.

When comparing data, the days are aligned. For example, if the user wants to compare yesterday's data (e.g. 2nd January 2017) then the chart would compare data from same day last year (2nd January 2016) regardless of whether the actual days (e.g. Monday to Monday) align.

Data Config

The Data Config window can be accessed from the instant report menu.



The chart configuration menu needs to be operated through web browser access. Some of the configuration menu will not work correctly in workbench



Any changes which are made in the Data Config window are not saved and are only visible until the chart is reloaded. (Unless you are using the Data Config menu in the Report Builder – this is explained in the following section.

The Data Config window contains three main tabs:

- Meters,
- Schedules
- Settings.

Meters

The **Meters** tab allows configuration of which Aggregators (See section on ENERGY VISION NX Aggregators) are being displayed on the current chart, along with the selection of custom time periods and time ranges depending on the selected time period (e.g. Day, Month, Year).

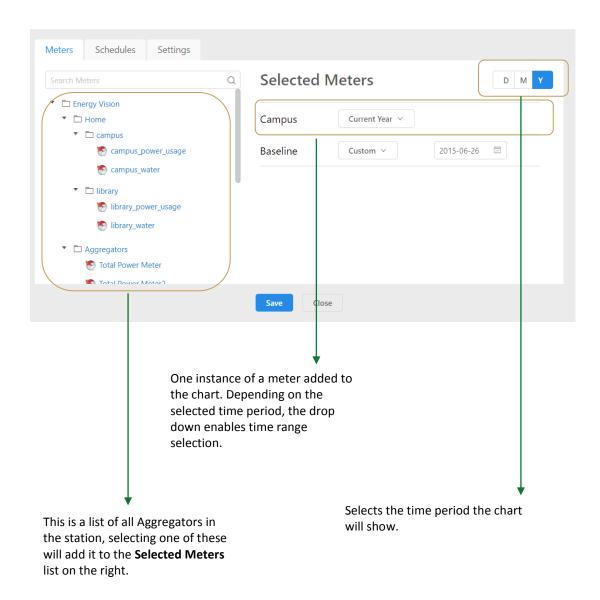


Figure 4 – example meter configuration

Schedules

The **Schedules** tab will only be available within graphical widgets which support the Schedule functionality. The Line Chart supports the Schedule functionality. The **Schedule** function allows the addition of a schedule to the bottom of the chart (e.g. to show occupancy information).

Using the drop-down box, select the Schedule you wish to be displayed on the chart.



In case a new created Schedule will not be visible please restart the station or run "Rebuild Site Tree" under ENERGY VISION NX Service → Site Hierarchy

Settings

The **Settings** tab will contain settings relevant to the chart you are editing.

Show Minimap – If enabled, the slider on the bottom of the chart will be displayed allowing the user to navigate the chart using either a mouse or their finger on a tablet/smart phone.

Show Schedules – If enabled, this will display any added schedules.

Automated Reports

Automated Reports give a powerful way to generate customised reports and automatically generate them on a schedule of your choosing. These reports can then be 'pushed' elsewhere by using standard forwarding options from the Reporting Palette (e.g. Email Recipient or File Recipient).

Enabling the automated reporting service

To enable the functionality of automated reporting in your station a few steps must first be carried out to setup the feature.

- 1. Within Workbench, open the ENERGY VISION NX Service and expand the **Report** Manager.
 - a. Default is disabled. The service needs to be **Enabled.**
 - b. Server Port default is 9000. If no other servers / services are running on that port, leave as default. If not, you can change this to a port of your choice.



Ensure the latest version of Chrome is installed on the Server (where the ENERGY VISION NX station is running). **This is critical to report generation.**

Adding an automated report (Workbench configuration)

Before starting to design the report, the initial setup of the automated must be done in Workbench. You must add a **PDF Report Generator** onto your station and configure the generation period and any forwarding options you want. The following example created an Automated Report and sends the generated report to a File Recipient.

- 1. Create a new folder under the Station.
 - a. Name it something relevant (e.g. energyReport).
 - b. Open the wiresheet of the folder.
- 2. Ensure the ENERGY VISION NX Palette is open in the Palette window.
 - a. Expand **Aggregator**
- 3. **Drag & Drop** the **PDF Report Generator** onto the wiresheet of the **energyReport** folder.
 - a. Give the component a name (e.g. energyReport)
- 4. Open the Property Sheet of the PDF Report Generator
 - a. Here you can set the trigger mode, frequency and intervals between automatic report generation. (Figure 9)
- 5. In the Palette window, open the **report** Palette.
 - a. Expand Reporting.

- b. Drag & Drop the FileRecepient component onto the wiresheet.
- c. Link the out slot of the energyReport to the route slot of the FileRecepient.
- d. Double-click on the component to open the properties. By default, it will save the report in the root of the station. Create a new folder if required and save the report to a desired location (engineers discretion).
- e. Enable Append Timestamp.

Figure 6 shows the wiresheet of this configuration



You could also use the Email Recipient in the same way as the File Recipient to forward to report to an email address.



Other custom logic could be used to trigger the component using the 'Generate Report' action on the PDF Report Generator component.



Reports can be generated manually by right clicking on the component and selecting actions > generate.



Reports will continuously be generated on the schedule configured. Whether automatic or manual, reports take around 30 seconds to be generated.

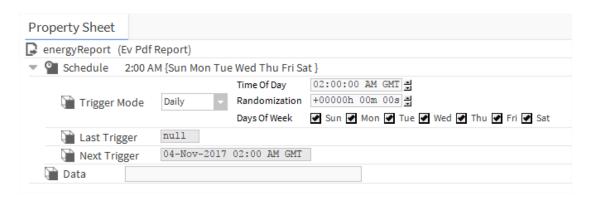


FIGURE 5 - AUTOMATED REPORTING PROPERTY SHEET

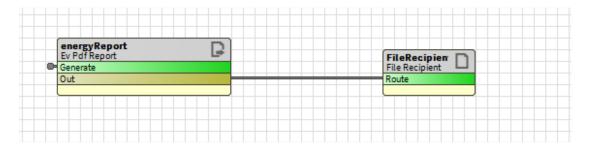


FIGURE 6 - WIRE SHEET

Designing an automated report (Web Browser configuration)

Once the automated report component has been set up in Workbench, the design phase of the report needs to be done via a web browser. The same automated report component which was added previously, when viewed in a web browser, will present the tools needed to design the report.

- 1. Open the web. Login to the station. Use an engineer's login so that the structure of the station can be seen, rather than loading into a graphical PX.
- 2. Under the folder structure of the station, navigate to the **energyReport** folder.
 - a. Right click on the **energyReport** component and select **views**.

Report Builder – Responsible for building the reports. **Report Viewer** – Responsible for viewing the reports.

- b. Select Report Builder.
- c. The report designer page will now open.

Figure 7 shows the layout of the report designer and how each section is referred to in the following guide.



Figure 7 report designer

The report designer has three modes: Design Page Layout, Design Page Content and Preview Report. These can be selected using the top ribbon of the report designer. (Figure 12)



FIGURE 8 - MODE SELECTION

• Design Page Layout

- o Allows the header and footer to be resized and edited.
- When this is selected, the Add Header Widget & Add Footer Widget options will appear.

• Design Page Content

- Allows the content of the page to resized and edited.
- When this is selected the Add Widget option will appear.

• Preview Report

• Allows the report to be previewed as it would appear exported.

Load Report

This will send the report to the report generator.

Save Report

o This will save the report.



It is recommended to periodically save your report using the Save Report button to prevent unintended loss of report configuration.

Design Page Layout

When in **Design Page Layout** mode, it possible to resize and edit the header and footer of the report. Initially this is applied to all pages in the report (and any subsequently added pages). This can be overridden per page by using the **Settings** options on the right ribbon (Figure 9).

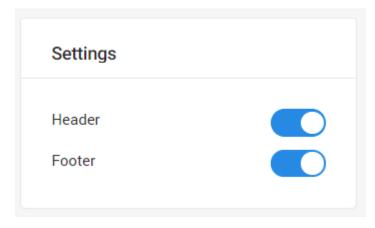


FIGURE 9 - SETTINGS

In **Design Page Mode** you can use the resize handle on the report page to resize the header and footer.

Using the **Add Header Widget** or **Add Footer Widget** buttons in the top ribbon, you can add text widgets to the respective locations. Once these have been added, the **Text Settings** options appear in the right ribbon. Use these to alter text appearance, and to insert images into the text box.(Figure 10).

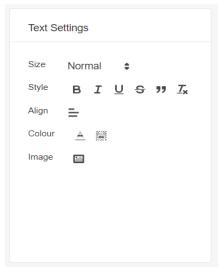


FIGURE 10 - TEXT SETTINGS

Pages can be configured when in any of the three operating modes by using the Pages options in the right ribbon. This is also the method to navigate to different pages of the report (Figure 11)

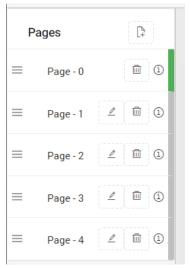


FIGURE 11 - PAGES

At the top of the Pages tab, the **Add Pages** button will add a blank page to the end of the report.

Each page will have a **Pencil icon.** Clicking this will enable editing of that page.

Each page will have a **Trash Can Icon**. Clicking this will delete the page.

Each page will have an I (information) icon. Hovering over this will display the name of the page.



When adding or navigating to a page, there will be a prompt to save any changes made on the current page.

Design Page Content

When in **Design Page Content** mode, a variety of widgets can be added to the body of your report by click the **Add Widget** button and selecting the desired widget (Figure 12).

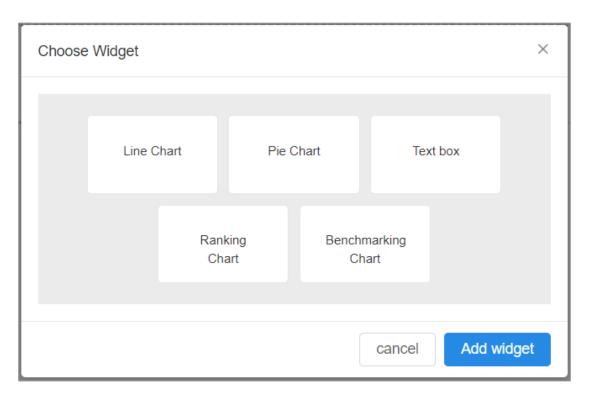


FIGURE 12 - ADD WIDGET

Once a widget is added to the report, it is configured using the **Data Config** menu, which is explained in the **Instant Reports** section of this manual.



New widgets are always initially added to the bottom of the current page. Using the drag handles you can resize and re-arrange the widgets on the page.

Preview Report

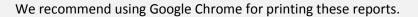
When in **Preview Report** mode, the current page of your report is displayed to check the layout prior to saving.

Viewing the completed Report

Go back to the folder structure of the station within the browser. Navigate to the folder energyReport, right click on the energyReport component > views > Report Viewer.

Printing the report

Following the 'viewing the report' steps. Use Chrome's Print to .pdf / print function by pressing Control P or right click, print.





Exiting Report Builder

To exit the report designer SAVE your report and navigate back to the root of your station, by changing the path entering your local IP address 127.0.0.1.



If you type the original station address into the browsers address bar (this may be localhost/domain name or other IP Address), this will take you back to the root of the station.

Engineering ENERGY VISION NX

Sites can be engineered from scratch or by customizing the demo station.



Prerequisite is that histories have already been brought into Niagara.

ENERGY VISION NX Palette

The ENERGY VISION NX palette is where all the ENERGY VISION NX components can be accessed from. This includes the Services that provide the ENERGY VISION NX processing functionality, but also the

To expose the Palette, follow these steps:

- 1. Click Window the top bar.
- 2. Select Side Bars.
- 3. Select Palette.

Now the Palette sidebar is opened, the ENERGY VISION NX Palette can be accessed.

- 2. In the Palette window, click the **folder** icon.
- 3. The **Open Palette** window will now open.
- 4. In the filter search box, search ENERGY VISION NX.
- 5. Select ENERGY VISION NX, click Ok.
- 6. The ENERGY VISION NX Palette will now be open in the Palette window.

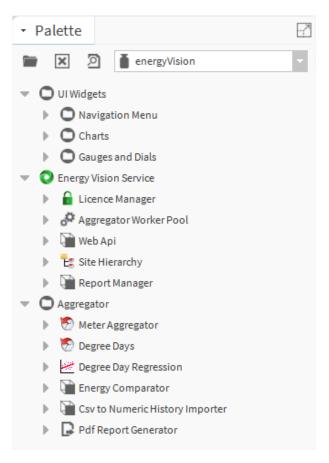


FIGURE 13 - EXAMPLE PALETTE

- o **UI Widgets** Houses all of the widgets which can be added to a PX Page
 - o **Navigation Menu –** The components for the navigation menu.
 - Charts The folder in which all the charts are stored.
 - o Gauges and Dials The folder in which all the gauges and dials are stored.
- o **ENERGY VISION NX Service** Houses the services on which ENERGY VISION NX runs.
 - Licence Manager The service that is responsible for the managing the licences for ENERGY VISION NX.
 - Aggregator Worker Pool The service that allows the user the modify the amount of the threads the aggregator can use simultaneously.
 - o Web API Allows the user the check, disable & enable the Web API service
 - Site Hierarchy This component allows the histories to be brought into the station as aggregators.
 - Report Manager This component allows the report manager to be enabled/disabled and the port on which it operated to be changed.
- Aggregator Houses the services which allow the user to add the Meter Aggregator & Energy Comparator
 - o Meter Aggregator Allows the user to access the aggregator component
 - Degree Days The aggregator designed specifically for calculating Degree Day data.
 - Degree Day Regression The component that combines 3 aggregators, Kwhr, Heating Degree Days & Cooling Degrees Days.

- Energy Comparator The service in which users can input their energy consumption and cost per unit, and the component will output how much the energy consumed has cost.
- Csv to Numeric History Importer A tool to import CSV files into a numeric history.
- Pdf Report Generator Used to create an instance of an Automated Report.

User Interface Widgets

Contained in the **UI Widgets** folder of the ENERGY VISION NX Palette file are the graphical widgets which can be used to display data within your station. You can combine these with standard Niagara widgets to create a wide range of displays.

Each widget has its own set of properties which can be set in workbench. Some of these are duplicated in some or all the widgets and some are unique to individual widgets.

Selected charts (Ranking / Pie / Benchmarking / Line) can be converted to a tabular CSV view whilst being viewed.

- 1. Ensure the chart has been configured with the appropriate aggregator.
- 2. Hover over the chart.
- 3. A table icon will appear.
 - a. The table icon is a toggle button. Click once to initiate, click again to deactivate.
- 4. Click on the table icon to convert the graph to a table view.
- 5. The chart will now convert to table.
- 6. Click on the button again to toggle back to the graphical chart.

Widget Properties

This section will look at the various widgets available in ENERGY VISION NX, their purpose and information on how to engineer them.

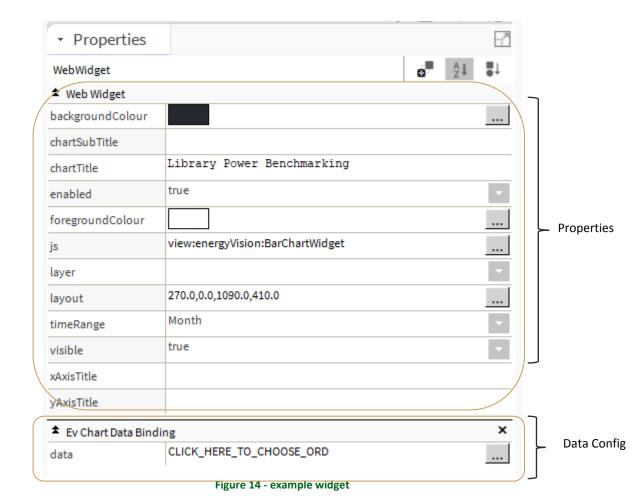


Where Widget Properties are duplicated, they will be described in the first Widget they appear in. Please refer to other previous Widget Property descriptions if one appears to be missing.

When a widget is added from the ENERGY VISION NX palette to the PX Page in Workbench, the widget properties can be accessed by using the **Properties Tab**.



It is possible to access widget properties by double clicking on the widget. However, we recommend using the Properties Tab to add meters as some properties do not display as expected when using the double click method.



Properties

The Widget Properties section is divided into two columns: the property name and its value. Depending on the type of property, the value column will allow different types of input – this could be, for example, a colour from a colour picker, an ORD, or a Boolean value

Data Config

Most ENERGY VISION NX charts will use the **Ev Chart Data Binding** property to set the data to be displayed. When you click in the value column, you will be presented with the data configuration popup.

Using this popup, you can add Aggregators to the chart. You can further configure the name which will appear in the chart, the time period and an associated colour.



FIGURE 15 - EXAMPLE CHART CONFIGURATION

- 1. Click the drop-down arrow on the right of the folder icon, select Component Chooser.
- 2. Navigate to the desired **Meter** that needs binding. **Select** & Click **Ok**.
 - a. To add an additional aggregator to the Line Chart, click the '+' sign in the top right-hand corner of the data pop-up. Repeat steps 5 & 6.
 - b. Use the ${\bf X}$ button and the end of each entry to remove that aggregator from the current configuration.



Aggregators must be individually named.

Line Chart

The Line Chart displays aggregator values as a series of points connected by straight lines. A line chart is normally used to show the trend of data over time.



By enabling **Multiple Y Axis** in the Line Chart Property tab, multiple Y Axis will be drawn for each unique facet found in the Aggregators assigned to the chart.

Properties

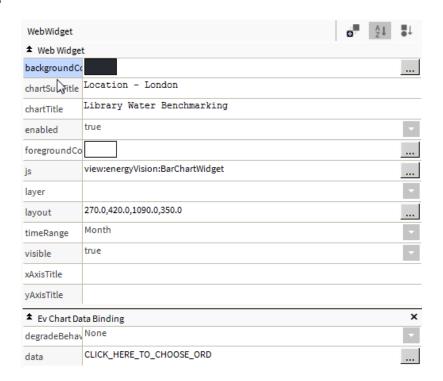


FIGURE 16 - EXAMPLE PROPERTY TABLE

- BackgroundColour The background of the chart.
- ChartSubTitle The subtitle of the chart.
- ChartTitle The title of the chart.
- **Enabled** This setting allows the user to enable and disable the chart.
- ForegroundColor This settings sets the foreground colour of the chart (ie. Lines, text)
- **Js** Inernal use only (Does not need to be configured).
- Layer <u>Unused feature</u>, hardcoded into Niagara.
- Layout The size and position of the chart
- **TimeRange** Default setting when calling up the chart via web browser. Supported time ranges are Day, Month & Year
- Visible Is the chart visible on the page, or not.
- Data Assignment of the aggregator. Click in the field to open the Add Ord property sheet
- XAxisTitle the X Axis title
- YAxisTitle the Y Axis title
- MutipleYAxis enabled the display of multiple YAxis

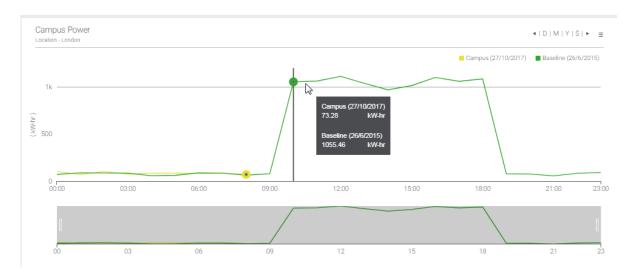


FIGURE 17 - EXAMPLE LINE CHART

Bar Chart

The bar chart represents the value of the aggregators assigned to it, by the height of bars. This chart is commonly used to show comparisons between different categories of data.

Properties

The bar chart does not have any further unique properties. See Line Chart.

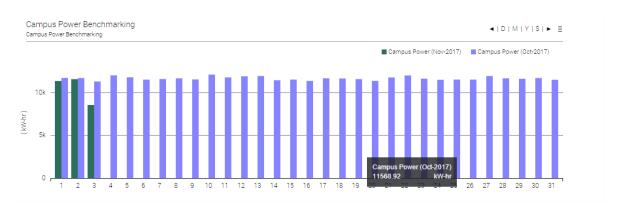


FIGURE 18 - EXAMPLE BAR CHART

Ranking Chart

The Ranking Chart displays the value of each aggregator assigned to it as a horizontal bar chart. These values are then ranked into order from highest to lowest. This could be used to rank energy usage across multiple sites, ranked to show the most efficient/inefficient.



There is no limit on the number of aggregators that can be added to a Ranking Chart. However, large numbers may reduce performance.

Properties

The ranking chart does not have any further unique properties. See Line Chart.

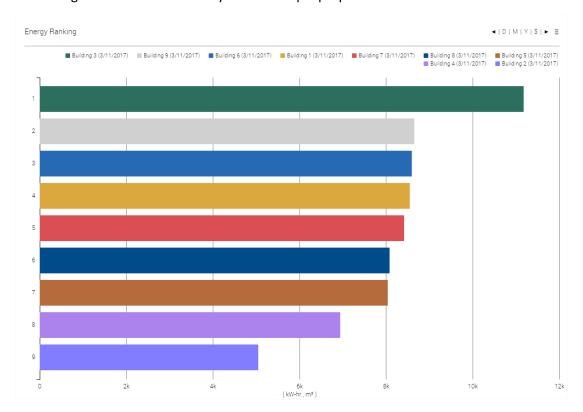


FIGURE 19 - EXAMPLE RANKING CHART

Pie Chart

The pie chart displays the total value of all aggregators assigned to it, split into sectors of a circle.

Properties

The pie chart does not have any further unique properties. See Line Chart.

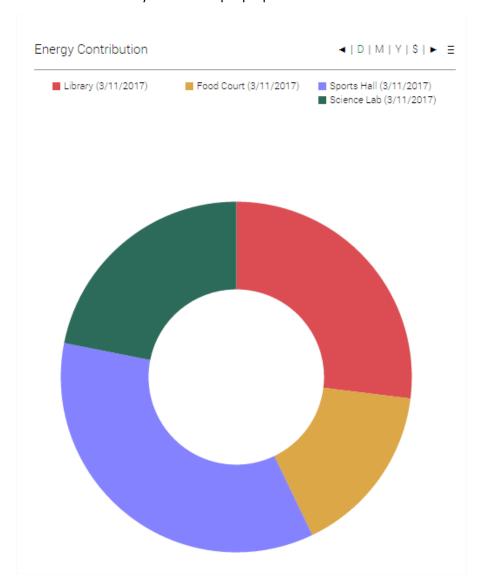
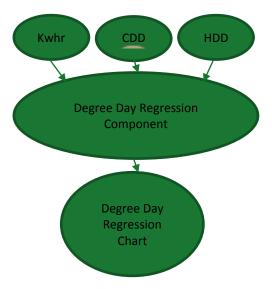


FIGURE 20 - EXAMPLE PIE CHART

Degree Day Regression Chart

The Degree Day Regression Analysis chart is a representation of degree days (Heating Degree Days and Cooling Degree Days) and energy consumption.

The diagram below represents the data flow that allows the Degree Days Regression Component to calculate its data.



The Degree Day Regression chart has three steps to engineer. Firstly, **Degree Days Aggregators** must be present in the station – these differ from standard Aggregators. Secondly, the **Degree Day Regression** component must be added to a station. This is where the Aggregators are configured. Finally, the **Degree Day Regression Chart** needs to be added to a PX Page. When the data property is configured, the component previously configured will be used as the data ORD.

Degree Day Aggregator

The Degree Day component inputs temperature and baseline temperature with the output of Degree Days. Although the Degree Day Component isn't a chart, it can still be linked to a chart allowing the processed data to be presented on a chart.

The component would need to be bound to a OAT (Outside Air Temperature).

Property Sheet of the Degree Day Aggregator

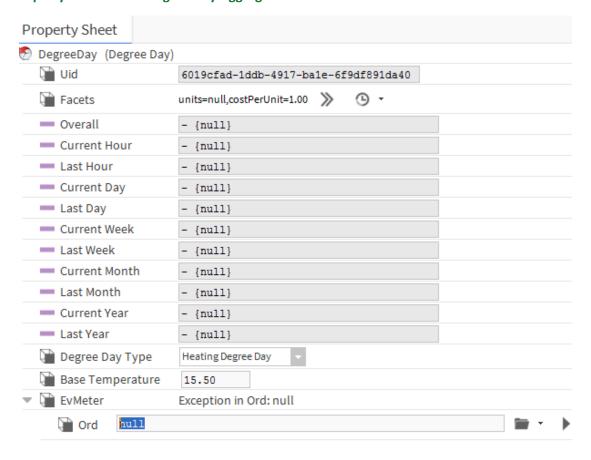


FIGURE 21 - DEGREE DAY COMPONENT PROPERTY SHEET (NOT CONFIGURED)

- Facets The unit of the data.
- **Degree Day Type** Switch between Heating and Cooling Degree Days.
- Base Temperature Enter the base temperature of the building.
- EvMeter
 - o **Ord** Link to the OAT (Outside Air Temperature) aggregator.

How to Engineer the Degree Day Aggregator Component

- 1. **Drag and drop** the Degree Day Component from the Palette into the wiresheet on which the chart will be displayed.
- 2. **Double click** on the on the component.
- 3. The first setting to change is **Ord.**
 - a. Click the drop-down arrow next to the Folder Icon.
 - b. **Select** Component Chooser.
 - c. Navigate to the OAT (Outside Air Temperature) aggregator.
 - d. Select it.
 - e. Click OK.
- 4. Enter the ${\bf Base\ Temperature}$ for the building.

Ensure the correct **Degree Day Type** has been selected.

How to Engineer Degree Day Regression Component

- 1. **Drag & drop** the component in the page folder.
- 2. **Double click** on the component to open the property sheet. (Figure 20)
- 3. The **Ord** link fields will appear **null**.
 - a. Heating Degree Day Use the drop-down icon next the folder icon
 - i. select Component Chooser
 - ii. Navigate to the **Heating Degree Day** aggregator
 - iii. Click OK.
 - b. Cooling Degree Day Use the drop-down icon next the folder icon
 - i. select Component Chooser
 - ii. Navigate to the Cooling Degree Day aggregator
 - iii. Click OK.
 - c. **Energy** Use the drop-down icon next the folder icon
 - i. select Component Chooser
 - ii. Navigate to the Total Energy aggregator
 - iii. Click OK.
- 4. Using the drop-down menu, select the **Time Range**.
- 5. Click **Save**.
- 6. Open the Px Page the **Degree Day Regression Chart** will appear on.
- 7. Select Edit Mode.
- 8. **Drag & Drop** the **Degree Day Regression Chart** onto the **Px Page**.
- 9. **Double Click** on the chart.



FIGURE 22 - DEGREE DAY PROPERTY SHEET

- 1. Heating Degree Day A link to the Aggregator for Heating Degree Day.
- **2.** Cooling Degree Day A link to the Aggregator for Cooling Degree Day.
- **3. Energy** A link to the Aggregator for energy consumption.
- **4. Time Range** Use this setting to define the range of time.



The **Degree Day Regression** components Property Sheet can be accessed via the Workbench or a web browser. If you wish to use a web browser, you will need to be have access to the Property Sheet and the File Structure.

Properties

The Degree Day Regression chart does not have any further unique properties. See Line Chart.



The Data Config of this chart works by setting the ORD to a **Degree Day Regression** component as described in the **How to Engineer Degree Day Regression Component** above.

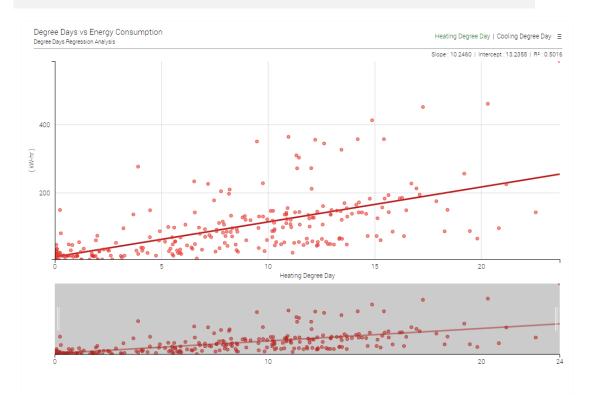


FIGURE 23 - EXAMPLE DEGREE DAY REGRESSION CHART

Stacked Bar Chart

The Stacked Bar Chart offers an alternative view to the Bar Chart. Where the Bar Chart offers the user the view of seeing data represented in bars organised side-by-side, the Stacked Bar Chart will group and stack the data on top of each other. For example, if 2 individual meters represent a room, the engineer could group the 2 meters on top of each other. This would indicate the individual meter values whilst showing the combined total of the 2 meters on a bar chart.

The Stacked Bar Chart is engineered in the same way as the Bar Chart.

Properties

The Stacked Bar Chart does not have any further display properties (See Line Chart). However, the data configuration is slightly different.



FIGURE 24 - STACKED BAR CHART DATA CONFIGURATION

In the data configuration – there is an extra option: **Category**. All Aggregators with the same Category will be placed on the same stacked bar. Each category will have its own stacked bar.

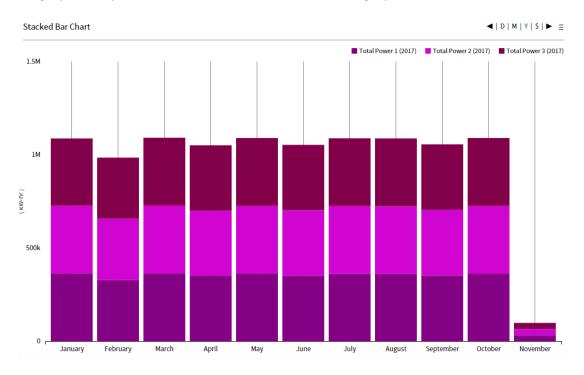


FIGURE 25 - EXAMPLE STACKED BAR CHART

Kiosk Mode

The Kiosk Mode is a full-page widget that allows predefined pages to carousel with a predefined timer. The widget needs to be engineered on its own full page, with the width & height of the widget slightly larger than the PX pages to avoid scroll bars.

Engineering the Kiosk Mode

- 1. In the station, create a new folder for the Kiosk Mode.
- 2. On the Kiosk Mode folder, create a new view.
- 3. Ensure edit mode is enabled, double click on the PX page and make the width and height of the page 15 pixels higher and wider than the other PX pages in the station.
- 4. Open the ENERGY VISION NX palette.
- 5. Drag & drop the Kiosk widget onto the page.
- 6. Resize the widget to the full width & height of the page.
- 7. Double click on the component to access the property sheet.
- 8. Starting from kioskPageO1, begin selecting the ord of the pages to be displayed.
 - a. Use the '...' button next to the field kioskPage select the folder with a view already assigned.
- 9. In the property sheet, ensure other settings are accurately set up. For example, ensure that the timer field (measured in seconds) correct.
- 10. Click Ok.

Properties

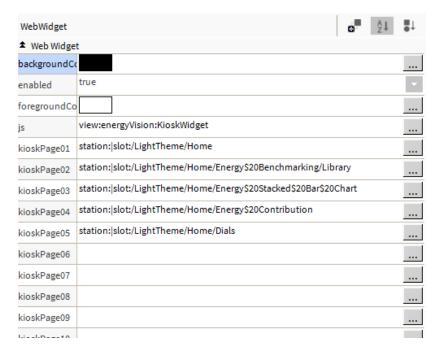


FIGURE 26 - EXAMPLE PROPERTY SHEET

- KioskPage01-20 select the ORD of the view you wish to be displayed on each Kiosk Page
- ShowArrows show the arrows to manually move between kiosk pages
- Timer the duration of each kiosk page

Properties

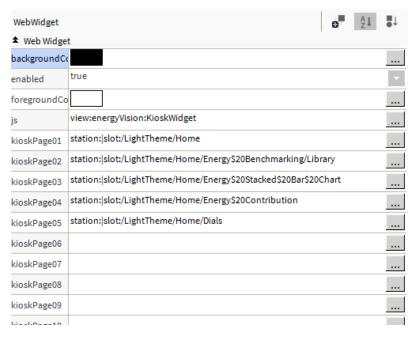


FIGURE 27 - EXAMPLE PROPERTY SHEET



A Kiosk Page is not designed to be interacted with or navigated from. We recommend loading the Kiosk Page and once it is no longer needed closing that browser page or tab.

Heatmap

The Heatmap is a widget that allows the yearly data for an aggregator to be represented on a Heatmap chart. The chart will display the value represented by the applicable colour on each day, for each month for the year (if data is available). The Heatmap chart is engineered similarly to the other charts, in that it is directly connected to an aggregator.

How are the Colours Automatically Applied?

The widget will examine the data being added to it for the entire year. It will then apply a Range based on the minimum & maximum value. The minimum value will be assigned the deepest green and the maximum value will be assigned the deepest red.

Using the example below, the chart is representing the OAT (Outside Air Temperature) for a building. It is clear to see when the temperature rises and lowers. The cooler days/month represented in Green are clearly displayed throughout December & January, with the temperature steadily rising until it peaks between June & August, which are represented with deeper Red.

How to Engineer the Heatmap

- 1. **Drag & Drop** the Heatmap widget onto the desire PX Page.
- 2. **Select** widget (single click on the widget the green box should appear surrounding the widget).
- 3. Using the **Properties** window on the bottom right-hand side of the Workbench window, apply the preferred background and foreground colour.
- 4. In the same Properties sheet, select CLICK HERE TO CHOOSE AN ORD.
 - a. The data window will now appear
- 5. Using the **Drop-Down** arrow next **folder** icon, select **Component Chooser**.
 - a. The Choose Ord window will now appear.
- 6. Using the **Choose Ord** window, navigate to the appropriate aggregator.
 - a. Once the aggregator has been selected, **Click OK**.
- 7. Using the **Name** field, give the aggregator an appropriate name.
- 8. Ensure that the date range (options above the **Name** field) have been adjusted to accurately reflect the date range that will be displayed on the chart.
- 9. Click OK to save the settings.



As the chart is rendering a whole year's data set (amount of data being analysed depends on history linked to the aggregator), the chart may pause for a moment on first launch, depending on the spec of the PC/Server. This is so the widget can cache all the data to be presented.

Properties

The heatmap does not contain a property for setting the time period. Instead, the period is set in the data configuration popup. This is because the graph is designed to show yearly data only, so the data configuration popup lets you define that year period.



FIGURE 28 - EXAMPLE DATA CONFIGURATION POP UP

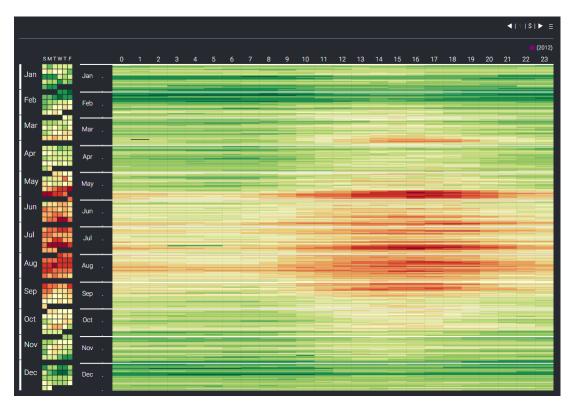


FIGURE 29 - EXAMPLE HEAT MAP

Gauges & Dials

Gauges & Dials differ from the previous Charts in a fundamental way: they are **not** linked directly to aggregators. Instead, they are linked to a **numeric writeable.** That in turn is linked to an aggregator and placed on the **wiresheet** of the **Px Page** it resides on.

In the property sheet, as with the Chart Widgets, the gauge or dial display properties will be displayed first, with the values in the left column and the configurable value in the column on the right. In the **Wb View Binding** section below, the ORD value needs to be set to the **numeric** writable discussed above.

How to Engineer the Gauges & Dials

- 1. On the Px Page wiresheet where the Gauge / Dial is being placed, place a Numeric Writeable.
- 2. **Link** the **Numeric Writeable** to the desired output of the aggregator.
- 3. The **Numeric Writeable** should now be displaying data from the aggregator.
- 4. Go back to the **Px Page** where the Gauge / Dial is placed.
- 5. **Double Click** on the Gauge / Dial to open the **Property Sheet**.
- 6. Populate the customisable fields (as explained above).
- 7. In the **ord** field, click **Null**.
- 8. An **ord** selection box will now appear.
- 9. Click the **drop-down arrow** next to the folder.
- 10. Select Component Chooser.
- 11. Navigate to the Numeric Writeable that has just been to the aggregator. Select it.
- 12. Click 3x Ok prompts.
- 13. The Gauge / Dial will now be displaying the data being pulled through from the aggregator via the numeric writeable.

Segments Dial

The Segments dial displays a numeric value on a circular gauge split into a calculated number of segments. The segments are coloured by assignment of a low, medium and high colours. The thresholds at which these colours start are also configurable. The result is a dial where it possible to see when a value is reaching pre-defined limits.

Properties

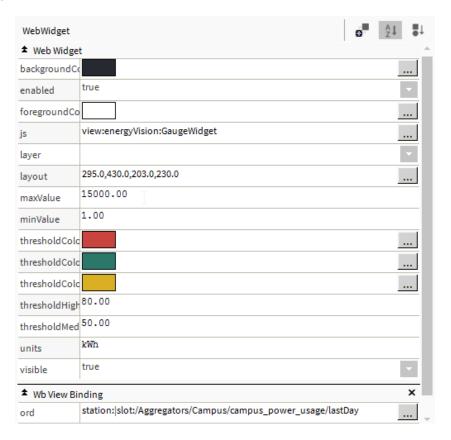


FIGURE 30 - EXAMPLE PROPERTY PAGE

- MaxValue The maximum value the dial will show, allows the dial to scale correctly.
- MinValue The minimum value the dial will show, allows the dial to scale correctly.
- ThresholdColourHigh The colour of the high threshold value segments
- ThresholdColourLow The colour of the low threshold value segments
- ThresholdColourMedium The colour of the medium threshold value segments
- ThresholdHighPercentage Percentage of the maximum value at which the high threshold will start
- **ThesholdMediumPercentage** Percentage of the maximum value at which the medium threshold will start
- Units Alters the Si Unit type measured on the dial.
- Ord Link to the numeric writeable.

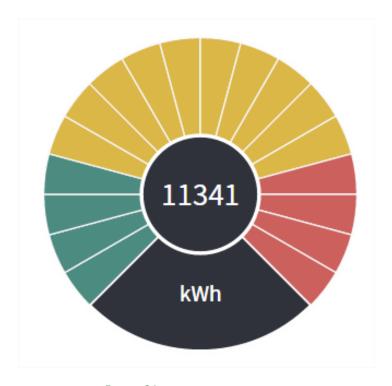


FIGURE 31 - EXAMPLE SEGMENT DIAL

Bar Gauge

The Bar Gauge displays a numeric value on a horizonal bar. The minimum and maximum value are configurable, along with the number of segments in the bar. The threshold colouring and limits can also be set the same as the segments dial.

Properties

- NumberOfSegments the number of segments in the dial
- Text the text to show under the gauge

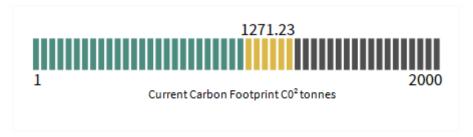


FIGURE 32 - EXAMPLE BAR GAUGE

Needle Gauge

The needle gauge displays a numeric value on a circular gauge with the value shown in its numeric form within the gauge. The minimum and maximum value are configurable, along with the unit type – which is displayed within the dial.

There are three Needle Gauge's available in the ENERGY VISION NX palette file: Needle Gauge Green, Needle Gauge Yellow and Needle Gauge Red. These offer the same functionality, but the background coloured the dial are the respective colour contained within the widget name (i.e. Green, Yellow and Red).

Properties

• DialColour - The colour of the dial part of the widget

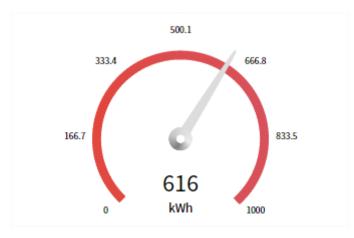


FIGURE 33 - EXAMPLE NEEDLE GAUGE

LED Dial

The LED Dial displays a numeric value in a circular gauge. The gauge is split into small segments and each one is 'lit' up to give an LED effect when the value is passed.

There are three LED Dials available in the ENERGY VISION NX palette file: LED Dial Green, LED Dial Yellow and LED Dial Red. These offer the same functionality but the LED segments of the dial are the respective colour contained within the widget name (i.e. Green, Yellow and Red).

Properties

The LED Dial does not have any further unique display properties (See Segments Dial and Line Chart for those).

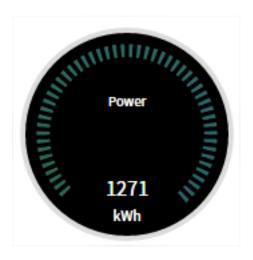


FIGURE 34 - EXAMPLE LED DIAL

Navigation Menu

The Navigation Menu folder in the ENERGY VISION NX Palette contains two widgets: the **Vertical Menu** and the **Menu Builder**.

Vertical Menu

The Vertical Menu can be used for navigation within your station, between defined PxPages.



The Vertical Menu widget should be added to a single PxPage and configured. You can then use this as a PxInclude page on any page you wish to see the Navigation Menu.

Properties

- IconDefaultColour The default colour for icons.
- IconSelectedColour The colour of icon once selected.
- MenuItemHeight The individual height of each menu item.
- MenuStyle Choose display from both Icon and Text, just Icon or just Text.

The data configuration is different to the other Chart Widgets. Instead of being presented with the data configuration popup, you need only select a .menu file.



.menu file contains the definition for your menu hierarchy, naming, icons and link destinations. It is an JSON format which you could create yourself using the demo stations menu as a starting point. Alternatively, the Menu Builder will create this file for you through a graphical interface.



When copying the demo stations menu, the editor profile <u>must</u> be in **Ax Text Editor**. To achieve this, in the top right-hand corner the default editor would be **Text Editor**, click this and select **Ax Text Editor**.

How to Engineer the Menu

- 1. Create a folder in the **Files** folder called **Menu**.
- 2. Open the **Menu** folder, right click & select **New** -> **TextFile.txt.**
- 3. Name that **TextFile.txt** -> (InsertName).menu.
- 4. Below is an example of the demostation's menu structure.
- 5. **Edit** the menu & menu structure depending on project requirements.
- 6. **Save** the newly edited menu structure.
- 7. Open up the Px Page on which the menu will be placed.
- 8. Drag & drop the menu widget from the ENERGY VISION NX Palette onto the Px Page.

- 9. **Double-click** the **menu widget** on the **Px Page**.
- 10. Click in the ord field.
- 11. A pop-up will appear. Click on the folder.
- 12. Navigate & select the .menu file.
- 13. Click Open.
- 14. Click Ok.
- 15. Click Ok.



FIGURE 35 - EXAMPLE MENU

Menu Builder

The Menu Builder has been designed to allow engineers to build a menu structure, without the need of any coding experience. The Menu Builder is a widget, the same as the other widgets of ENERGY VISION NX and resides in the ENERGY VISION NX Palette.



Although the widget can be used in a browser, CentraLine recommend creating a Px Page within Workbench, engineering the Menu using the Menu Builder, saving the file, then deleting the Px Page. We recommend this because, although the Menu Builder can be used to reorganise the Menu structure in a browser, individual end users could change the hierarchy of the menu which could complicate the setup of a finished station.



The Menu Builder will create the necessary code to enable to Vertical Menu widget to work and a Menu hierarchy to be built, however, the .menu file still needs to be manually created. Once the blank .menu file has been created, the Menu Builder can start to implement the code as the engineer starts to build the Menu.

How to Engineer Use Menu Builder

- 1. Create a temporary Px Page in your Px folder. Ensure that the width of the Px Page matches the width of the Px Include as the Menu Builder is a large widget.
- 2. In the **Menu** folder (created a in the previous Menu Section) ensure there is either a blank .menu file in there, or an existing. menu file is in there (if using an existing .menu file, ensure the .menu file is complete and valid, if the code isn't correctly engineered, the Menu Builder will not work).
- 3. With the Px Page in edit mode, **drag & drop** the Menu Builder widget onto the Px Page.
- 4. The Widget will now display Please add an ord to the menu file.
- 5. **Double Click** on the widget to open the property sheet.
- 6. At the bottom of the Property Sheet, **find the Ord** field.
 - a. **Click** either the **null** field or the ... at the end of the **Ord** row.
 - b. The **Ord Chooser** will open.
- 7. Using the **drop-down** arrow located next to the **folder icon**, select **File Ord Chooser**.
- 8. In the **File Ord Chooser** pop-up, navigate to your .menu file.
 - a. Select the file & open.
- 9. Click Ok. Click Ok.
- 10. The Menu Builder will now appear.
 - a. **If an empty .menu file was used:** The Menu Builder will appear with 3 items in the menu structure.
 - b. **If a pre-coded .menu file was used:** The Menu Builder will open with the structure of the .menu file.
 - c. **If a incorrectly coded pre-coded .menu file was used:** The Menu Builder would not load.

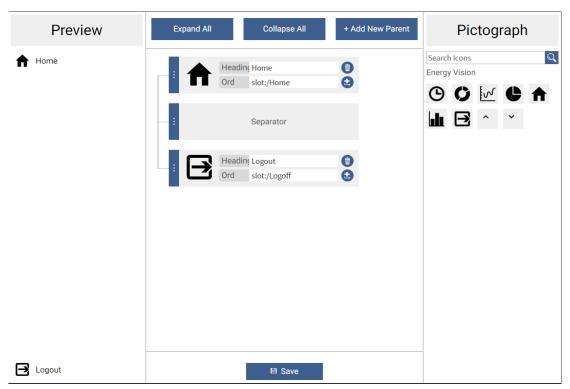


Figure 36 - Menu Builder with a blank .menu file

Preview: The Preview window gives the engineer a live preview of what the menu will look like when in a station. The preview window will react immediately to any changes made to the menu. The hyperlinks in the preview window have been disabled so users do not accidently move away from page prior to saving. However, the engineer can still explore child menu items when clicking on the parent menu item.

Expand All: The Expand All button will expand all the menu items.

Collapse All: The Collapse All button will collapse all the menu items.

+ Add New Parent: The + Add New Parent button will add a new parent menu item to the menu.

Trash Icon: The Trash Icon will delete the menu item.

+-> (Below Trash Icon): This button will add a new child menu item to that menu item.

Separator: The separator will split the menu items above and below it, placing the item below it to the bottom of the menu. For example, the Log Out button.

Pictograph: The library of icons available to use within the menu.

Save: Save the changes to the .menu file.

Using the Menu Builder

The Menu Builder has been engineered around the Drag & Drop principle. To reorganise the Menu structure, drag & drop the menu item to the desired location in the menu and the Preview window will update accordingly.

Adding an Icon

To add an image, choose an image from the Pictograph and drag & drop it onto the square to the left of the **Heading** & **Ord** field.

Creating a Child Menu Item

Drag & Drop the Parent Menu Item (the Menu Item to become a Child) under the Parent Menu Item.

Or, click the +-> (under the Trash Icon) and a Child Menu Item will be added.

Adding a Header & Ord

In the Workbench view, ensure the folder structure is visible in the navigation window. Now, drag & drop the Folder into the box to the left of the **Heading** & **Ord** field. Both fields will now be automatically populated.

If only the **Heading**, or **Ord**, names/link need to added, drag & drop the folder onto the respective field.

Troubleshooting

I am using a 32-bit Installation of Niagara and ENERGY VISION NX does not load as expected. What can I do other than installing the 64-bit version of Niagara?

These issues are ultimately caused by 32-bit applications having access to less memory than their 64-bit counterpart. The best option would be to install the 64-bit version of Niagara wherever possible. However, following these steps will help alleviate issues caused by a 32-bit installation.

- Locate the 'nre.properties' file in your Niagara installation directory. It will be inside the
 defaults folder in the root of the installation directory. This will typically be
 C:\Niagara\Niagara-4.x.xx.xx\defaults.
- 2. Locate the property identified by 'wb.java.options=' and, if not already present' append -Xms512M to the end. It will look like this:

- 3. Locate the 'system.properties' file. This will be in the same folder as the file from step 1. Add the following text to the end of this file: niagara.jxbrowser.disable=false
- 4. Restart the station and workbench.



These actions require editing Niagara properties files. We recommend backing up these property files before editing them so that they can be reverted if any errors occur.

I am not seeing the same popups in Workbench as I am when viewing my station in a web browser. Why is this?

Some of the features will not work as fluently within Niagara as they do in an actual browser. The Niagara web browser is limited in its functionality. It is expected some of the UI elements behaviors are slightly degraded within the workbench for the above reason. Eg:- The popup menus are disable within the workbench. Previewing in Google Chrome will allow the pop-up to work correctly.

When connecting to my station running ENERGY VISION NX via localhost, I am getting unexpected behavior. Is there anything else I can try?

If your ENERGY VISION NX widgets are not rendering as expected when accessing the station via localhost, try alternatively connecting via **127.0.0.1** or the actual IP Address of the station.

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