

ARBUTUS ANALYTICS IN RETAIL



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# A FEW OF THE WAYS YOU CAN PUT ARBUTUS ANALYTICS TO WORK:

#### LOSS PREVENTION

- + Identify checks paid to more than one payee with a similar or same address
- + Comparison of credit card payments
- + Test credit card balances versus credit limits
- + Comparison of year-to-date allowances to net sales
- + Dollar ranked invoice tracking by unit
- + Identify stores with significant allowances
- + High risk transaction tracking by associate
- + Identification of duplicate return transactions
- + Identification of incomplete exchange transactions
- + Inventory protection comparison of clearance sales of returned merchandise by markdowns, markups and sales without receipts.
- + Summarize price adjustments on returned merchandise by division
- + Annual Inventory Inventory Day sales by store
- + Voided transactions followed by "No Sale"
- + Check purchase and refund within 15 days
- + Credit card purchase and refund to different credit card (same day)
- + Cash purchase, cash refund (same day)
- + Identification of potential fraudulent or improper transactions through selling price differences between stores

## **POLICY AND ADMINISTRATION**

- + Test for fuzzy match on employee name and/or address to identify conflicts of interest where managers have relatives working for them
- + Download employee data to analyze pay adjustments, overtime, etc.
- + Travel expense ranking by category and associate
- + Installed services permit installation compliance and review; verify sales tax not collected or charged on installed sales

### **INVENTORY CONTROL**

- + Reconciliation of unmatched pay and remittances to freight invoices
- + Analysis of department or item file margins below standard
- + Price compliance
- + Select items from perpetual stock for test reconciliation
- + Use sampling command for physical reconciliation testing
- + Reconcile selected physical counts to computed amounts
- + Compare the value of physical counts to general ledger value
- + Report on items with high value balances and age
- + Summarize and stratify turnover by stock item in any order
- + Test for duplicate item numbers, prices or descriptions
- + Identify surplus obsolete inventory
- + Identify items with yearly volume under/above quantity ordered
- + Isolate and analyze high value transactions by value, group, buyer
- + Calculate current inventory items based on LIFO value or pool
- + Analyze the difference between standard costs and actual costs



# **ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE**

- + Report and automatically age total receivables in any format
- + Identify high value credit notes, balances and invoices
- + Generate invoice summaries by customer, invoice, amounts, etc.
- + Report gaps in the sequence of invoices generated

#### **ACCOUNTS PAYABLE**

- + Identify fuzzy duplicate payments and invoices Test for close dates, amounts, invoice numbers, vendor numbers
- + Vendor overcharges compare supplier Price Lists (contracted costs) to invoice charges to ensure billing is in accordance with agreements
- + Analyze and combine payables for external auditors
- + Analyze and age A/P

# **SALES ANALYSIS**

- + Generate sales and profitability reports by product, store, region
- + Recap product sales by store, region, category, etc.
- + Analyze sales trends by comparing current and previous periods
- + Identify top dollar volumes sorting by store, region, product
- + Create histograms showing trend in product sales by any selected item

## **PURCHASE ORDER MANAGEMENT**

- + Reconciliation of orders received, but not ordered
- $\pm$  Extract pricing and receipt quantity variations by vendor and purchase order
- $\pm$  Track schedule receipt dates versus actual receipt dates, summary, and detail
- + Isolate purchase order types (blanket, release, drop-ship) for audit tracking
- + Identify duplicate purchase orders or receipts without purchase orders

## **CASH DISBURSEMENTS**

- + Monitor cash disbursements for stores
- + Track corporate cash disbursements for contractor and vendor services
- + Summarize cash disbursements by account, bank, group, vendor, etc.
- + Identify check requests, by bank, that exceed set or selected dollar amounts

# **GENERAL LEDGER**

- + Calculate financial ratios (and changes) for sales/assets, debt/equity, etc.
- + Select any journal entry for test and audit purposes from any period
- + Track the year-to-date activity for large operating accounts (rent, taxes, etc.)
- + Prepare trial balances by tax groups and calculate various tax provisions

# **SALARIES AND PAYROLL**

- + Summarize and print payroll by selection criteria for general review
- + Summarize payroll distributions for reconciliation to general ledger
- $\pm$  Identify changes in exemptions, gross pay, hourly rates, salary amounts, etc.
- + Extract all payroll checks where the gross dollar amount exceeds set amount

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