

Crystal Ball Software and Risk Analysis Tips

Saving and Restoring Simulation Results

You can save Crystal Ball simulation results as a file and later restore them in Crystal Ball. For instance, you can run a simulation, save the results, change assumption values, run the simulation again and create an overlay chart that compares the two forecasts.

To save Crystal Ball simulation results after a simulation, select Analyze > Save Results. Crystal Ball saves the simulation results, including charts and reports, in a file with extension .cbr. Once you have saved the simulation results you can continue working with Crystal Ball.

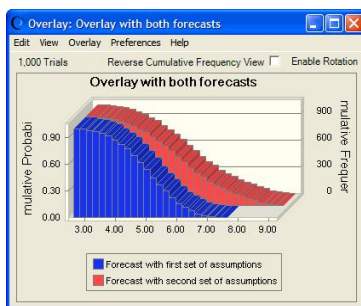
To restore Crystal Ball simulation results that you saved earlier, select Analyze > Restore Results. The file list contains only files that have the .cbr file type. Select the results file you want to restore and click Open.

Because you are restoring results and not simulation cell definitions or data, you do not need to reset the simulation before restoring results.

Results files can be restored at any time, regardless of whether the original workbooks are open or whether another simulation has run or not. With Crystal Ball 7, you can open as many results files as you want — not just one as in earlier versions of Crystal Ball. However, you can only choose one at a time in the Restore Results dialog.

Once you have restored one or more Crystal Ball results files, you can open and close restored charts, create new reports using them, and extract their data to spreadsheets. You can create overlay and trend charts with restored results and results from the current simulation to compare data. The results appear in dialogs following those for the current simulation.

To remove restored results from memory, choose Analyze > Close All.



You can now view the statistics or the sensitivity chart for that particular display range by choosing View > Statistics or Forecast > Open Sensitivity Chart from the forecast chart.

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