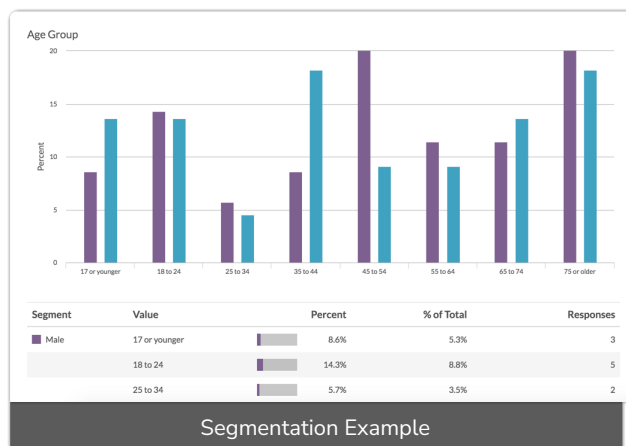


Compare the Data in Your Standard Report with Segments

Using Segments in the [Standard Report](#) you can compare subgroups within your data. Typically, segments are groups within your data that you would like to make comparisons across. For instance, you might compare responses for males and females, age groups, or other demographic or firmographic characteristic.

Segments can be set up based on:

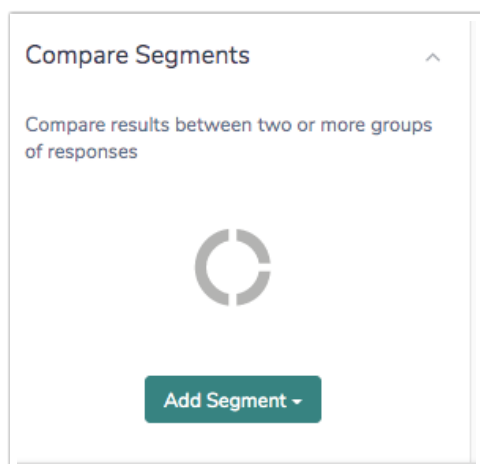
- Question Answers
- Response Status
- Response ID Number(s)
- Response Date
- Survey Link



You can also create **Advanced Segments** with multiple conditions and/or groups of conditions. These advanced segments also allow you to segment based on *URL* variable values and *Email Campaign contact fields*, among others.

Add Segments to Your Standard Report

To add a segment to your Standard Report click the **Compare Segments** option in the left-hand panel. Then click **Add Segment**.



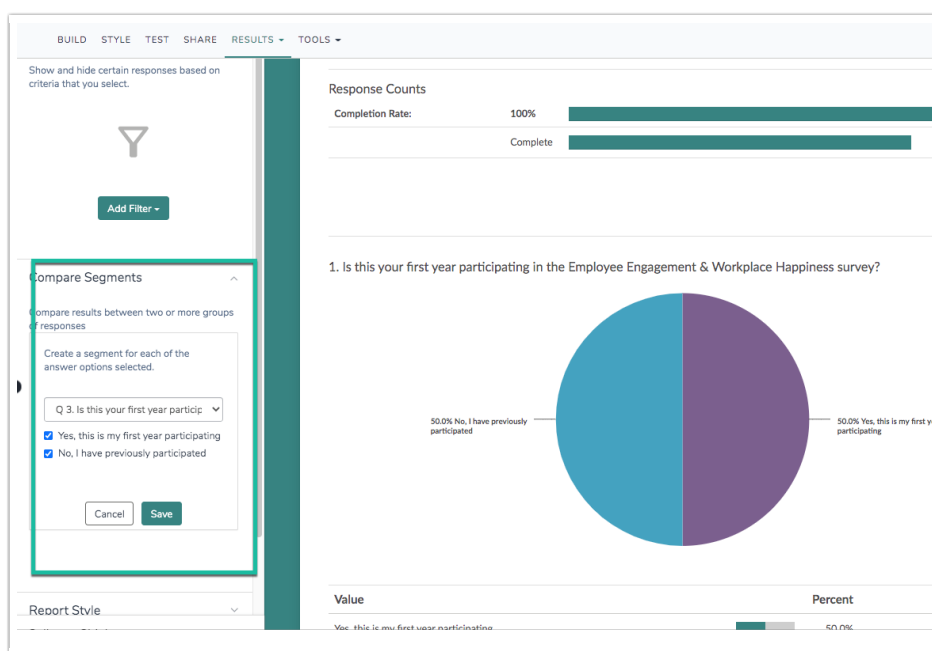
You have six options available for creating segments.

Segment by Question Answers

Use the By Question Answers option to add segments for the answer(s) to a single question. You can add as many of these segments as you wish.

Let's say, for example, that we asked our respondents to provide their gender and we wish to see how the data for males and females compares.

1. To get started we will click **Compare Segments > Add Segment > By Question Answers** .
2. In the first dropdown we will select the question we wish to use to create segments; that is "Gender". All available answer options will be selected by default. Feel free to de-select any options that you do not want to include in the segments. When finished, click **Save**.



When you click **Save**, each question* in your survey will be grouped by the segments you selected.

*If creating segments based on a question (such as the gender question in this example), this question itself will not be segmented. In other words, your gender question will not be segmented based on itself.



Segment by Response Status

If you expect that your data might differ based on the [response status](#), you can create a segment for Complete, Partial, and/or Disqualified responses and compare your data accordingly.

1. Click **Compare Segments > Add Segment > By Response Status**. You will need to create a separate segment for each status. For example, one segment for Complete and another segment for Disqualified.
2. Provide a **Segment Name**, change the associated color if needed, and select the desired response status. For example, we will name our first segment *Complete Responses* and will select the **Completed** response status.

Compare Segments ^

Compare results between two or more groups of responses

Segment Name

Segment Color: [Change Color](#)

Response Status is one of the Following

Completed

Partial

Disqualified

3. Click **Save** to create your segment. Repeat this process for each additional response status that you want to segment by.

Compare Segments 2 ^

Compare results between two or more groups of responses

- Complete Responses + -
- Disqualified Responses + -

Add Segment

Learn more about [response status in Alchemer](#).

Segment by Response IDs

If you have specific Response IDs that you wish to group together for comparison purposes you can create segments using either an **Include the Following Response IDs** and/or an **Exclude the Following Response IDs** approach for your segmentation purposes.

1. Click **Compare Segments > Add Segment > By Response IDs**.
2. Provide a **Segment Name** and change the associated color, if needed.
3. You can then populate either or both the include or exclude fields. These values can be comma separated and/or ranges can be specified.

Compare Segments ^

Compare results between two or more groups of responses

Segment Name

Segment Color: [Change Color](#)

Include the Following Response IDs

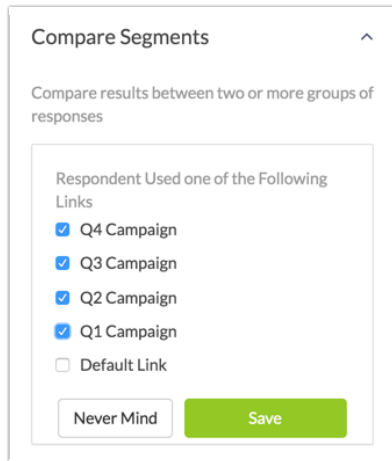
Exclude the Following Response IDs

4. Click **Save** to create your segment. Repeat this process for each additional response ID segment that you want to create.

Segment by Survey Link

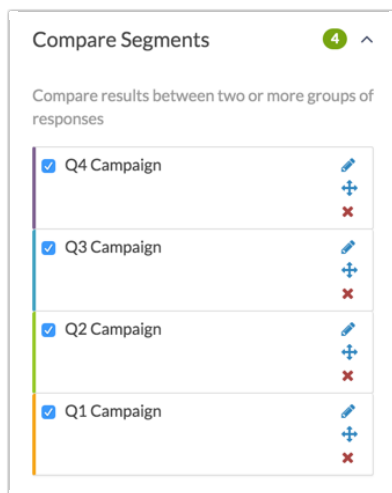
If you have [multiple share links](#) (email campaigns, embeds, default web links, etc), you can create segments by specific links. [Creating and using multiple links](#) is a great segmentation option.

1. Click **Compare Segments > Add Segment > By Survey Link** . All available links will be presented.



The screenshot shows a dialog box titled "Compare Segments" with a close button (upward arrow) in the top right. Below the title is the instruction "Compare results between two or more groups of responses". A section titled "Respondent Used one of the Following Links" contains a list of four campaigns, each with a checked checkbox: "Q4 Campaign", "Q3 Campaign", "Q2 Campaign", and "Q1 Campaign". Below this list is an unchecked checkbox for "Default Link". At the bottom of the dialog are two buttons: "Never Mind" and "Save".

2. Select all the links that you want to segment by and click **Save**. A separate segment will be created for each selected link.



The screenshot shows the same "Compare Segments" dialog box, but now with a green circle containing the number "4" in the top right corner. The list of campaigns is now displayed in a table-like format with colored vertical bars on the left and edit/delete icons on the right. The campaigns and their colors are: "Q4 Campaign" (purple), "Q3 Campaign" (blue), "Q2 Campaign" (green), and "Q1 Campaign" (orange). Each campaign has a pencil icon for editing and a red 'x' icon for deletion.

Create Advanced Segment

This option gives you access to the logic builder you've likely become pretty familiar with by the time you start reporting on your survey data. Using the logic builder, you can set up logic conditions on questions in your survey and choose whether to join them with an AND or OR operator.

Using the Advanced Segment option, you can:

- set up multiple conditions or groups of conditions

- create segments based on things like:
 - [Geodata](#)
 - [URL variables](#)
 - [Email Campaign Invite/Custom Fields](#)

1. To create an **Advanced Segment**, click **Compare Segments > Add Segment > Create Advanced Segment**.
2. Provide a **Segment Name** and change the color, if needed.
3. Click **Edit Logic** to bring up the logic builder for your advanced segment.
 - Click the **Select a Condition** option to choose the source of your segment. This could be a survey question, URL variable, or Email Campaign field among others.
 - Choose a [logic operator](#).
 - Define the data that will be included in the segment.

Keep in mind that the Advanced Segment option allows you to build segment rules with multiple conditions and/or groups. In our example, we are creating a segment based on answers to two separate survey questions.

Create Advanced Segment

Setup the logic rule(s) that define which responses are included in this segment.

[Remove All Logic](#)

Q 3. Is this your first year participating is one of Yes, this is my first year participating
 No, I have previously participated

and

Q 15. How would you choose to spend the budget Internal Systems Upgrades (software, payroll, email, file sharing) Hardware Upgrades (computer, printers, monitors, projectors) Hiring and Recruiting Training and Development for Existing Employees Security Upgrades and Training Additional or Improved Employee Benefits Social Activities (company parties, events, trips)

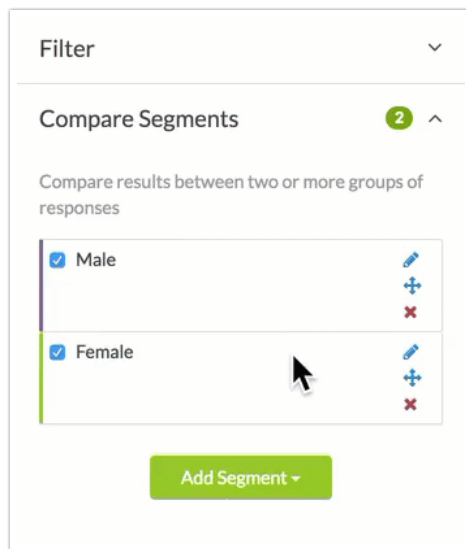
[+ Add Condition](#) [+ Add Group](#)

4. Make sure to **Save** your segment when you are finished setting it up.

Re-Order Segments

By default, segments are arranged in the order that they are created (in the case of questions, the segments are arranged according to the order of answer options).

If you prefer to display your segments in a different order than the default, click on the segment's crosshairs icon and drag that segment into another spot. The new order of your segments will be applied to any report elements affected by the segments.



Understanding Segmentation Counts and Percentages

As of September 1, 2016 segmented data in the Standard Report will be 'grouped by segment' by default. Reports created prior to this date will have segmented data grouped by answer options. You can [pivot segmented charts](#) to group by answer options if you prefer.

When you create and apply segments to your Standard Report, your data is then broken down across these segments.

For example, we have created two segments based on the gender question in our survey (Male and Female). Now, looking at our *Age Group question* we can see that of the **61.5%** of respondents who indicated they are **male**:

- 3 are 17 or younger
- 5 are 18 to 24
- 2 are 25 to 34
- 3 are 35 to 44

- 7 are 45 to 54
- 4 are 55 to 64
- 4 are 65 to 74
- 7 are 75 or older

Thus, the denominator for the **Percent** calculations is **35** or the total for the Male segment. We see that **7** of the **35** males said they are **45 to 54**, or **20%** of Males.

Segment	Value	Percent	% of Total	Responses
Male	17 or younger	8.6%	5.3%	3
	18 to 24	14.3%	8.8%	5
	25 to 34	5.7%	3.5%	2
	35 to 44	8.6%	5.3%	3
	45 to 54	20%	12.3%	7
	55 to 64	11.4%	7%	4
	65 to 74	11.4%	7%	4
	75 or older	20%	12.3%	7
Total Responses			61.5%	35

Pivoting Segmented Charts

When working with segments, the Standard Report will group your data according to your segments by default.

Segment	Value	Percent	% of Total	Responses
Female	17 or younger	13.6%	5.3%	3
	18 to 24	5.3%	5.3%	3
	25 to 34	1.8%	1.8%	1
	35 to 44	18.2%	7%	4
	45 to 54	9.1%	3.5%	2
	55 to 64	9.1%	3.5%	2
	65 to 74	13.6%	5.3%	3
	75 or older	18.2%	7%	4
Total Responses			38.7%	22

Answer options grouped by Segment

The **Percent** column shows us the percentage breakdown of answers within each segment. In the example above, we see that **7%** of the **Female** segment is in the **75 or older** Age Group. The percentage is based on the total number of individuals in the **Female** segment, **22** in the above example.

the **Percent** column in a report element that is using Segmentation changes what it's basing its calculations on when users update the "Group Segmented Charts by" setting on the report to be "Answer Options".

In general, that **Percent** column is based on what percent of total respondents answered the

question. When this setting is changed, the Percent column is now based on **what percentage** of the total responses in the segment are in each answer option.

If you prefer to look at your segmented data grouped by answer option, segmented charts can now be **pivoted** or **Grouped by Answer Option**.

Value	Segment	Percent	% of Total	Responses
17 or younger	Male		5.3%	3
	Female		5.3%	3
	Total		10.6%	6
18 to 24	Male	62.5%	8.8%	5
	Female	37.5%	5.3%	3
	Total		14.1%	8
25 to 34	Male	66.7%	3.5%	2
	Female	33.3%	1.8%	1
	Total		5.3%	3

In this case, the **Percent** column shows us the percentage breakdown of your segments per each answer option. In the example above we see that of those individuals who are in the **18 to 24** Age Group, **37.5%** belong to the **Female** segment. The percentage is based on the total number of individuals who are in the 18 to 24 Age Group, **8** in the above example.

Pivot Segmented Data for an Entire Report

Data can be pivoted globally for the entire report, or per individual element.

1. To pivot your segmented data globally, access the **Report Options** in the upper right of your report.
2. Navigate to **Charts > Group Segmented Charts by** and select **Answer Option**.

The screenshot shows the 'Edit Report' dialog box with the following settings:

- Overall Options:** Small, Medium (selected), Large
- Axis Values:** Option Percents (selected), Option Counts
- X-Axis Value Bounds:** min [] max []
- Y-Axis Value Bounds:** min [] max []
- Group Piped/Repeated Charts by:** Source Option
- Group Segmented Charts by:** Answer Option (highlighted with a red box)

3. Click **Save** to save your changes. *By default, segmented charts will be grouped by Segment.*

Pivot Segmented Data for a Single Element

1. To pivot a specific question's reporting element, edit that element via [Layout & Options](#).
2. Navigate to [Segmentation Options](#) and toggle the [Group Segmented Charts by](#) dropdown menu to your desired setting.

Compatibility

The following question types are not compatible with segments:

- [Signature Question](#)
- [Cascading Dropdown Menu](#)
- [File Upload](#)
- [Drag & Drop Ranking](#)
- [Ranking Grid](#)

The maximum number of segments that can be created is 25.

FAQ

Can I combine two answer options into one segment?

You can! This is why we created the [Advanced Segment](#) option. Using the logic builder you can build specific conditions within and across segments.

Can I segment my survey data according to Email Campaign fields?

Yes, using the [Create Advanced Segment](#) option, you can target [Email Invite Data](#) to create segments. Any information that you uploaded and mapped via an [Email Campaign](#), will be available for segmentation here.

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