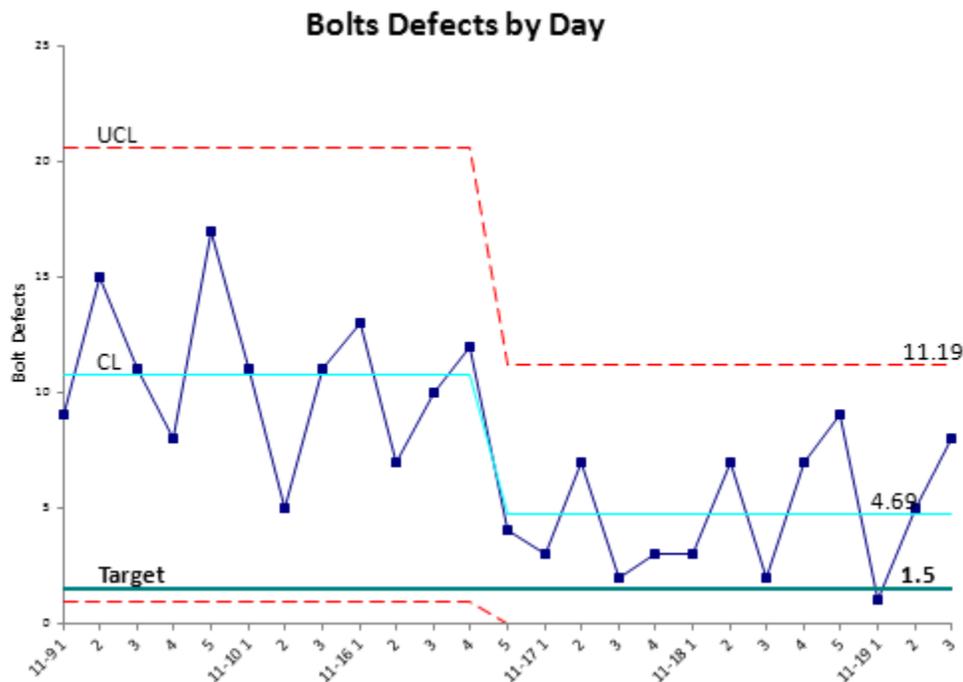


Announcing Add Target Line for Excel

DENVER, September 28, 2011 – The QI Macros Lean Six Sigma Software for Excel announces new functionality to simplify adding target lines to Excel charts. Statistical process control (SPC) creates performance charts for industries ranging from automotive to healthcare. It's often useful to add a line to bar charts, line charts and control charts charts. For example, the chart below shows an improvement midway through the data and a target of 1.5.



The QI Macros is an add-in for Microsoft Excel that automates all of the charts and diagrams required for statistical process control (SPC) and Lean Six Sigma. The QI Macros consist of four parts: 1) 30 charts and two “Chart Wizards” that use existing Excel data to create pareto, control charts, and histograms; 2) over 90 fill-in-the-blank templates for Lean Six Sigma; 3) a Statistics Wizard that automatically analyzes data; and 4) data transformation tools like the PivotTable Wizard that automates data analysis.

The Chart Menu allows users to add data to existing charts, add target lines, add text to points, show process changes, analyze stability and ghost or remove points.

Unlike complex statistical tools, the QI Macros tools can be used by anyone from nurses to Six Sigma Black Belts. Users most often say that the QI Macros are convenient and hassle free: 1) **Easy to learn.** The pull-down menu gives immediate access to all tools; 2) **Works directly on Excel data; and automates the most commonly used Lean Six Sigma improvement tools.**

[The QI Macros Lean Six Sigma SPC Software](#) works in Excel 2000-2011 and is available for immediate download. The QI Macros have been simplifying process improvement and [Lean Six Sigma](#) for tens of thousands of customers since 1997. Thousands of hospitals use the QI Macros to improve clinical outcomes and patient flow. Thousands of businesses ranging from automotive suppliers to state and Federal government use the QI Macros to help reduce costs and boost productivity and profitability.

The QI Macros are the “Swiss Army Knife” of tools for companies embracing Lean Six Sigma which combines the speed and quality of the Toyota Production System (TPS). The QI Macros are an addin for Microsoft Excel that does the math and draws the graphs required for SPC—Statistical Process Control. It also includes fill-in-the-blank templates for more exotic Six Sigma tools like Design of Experiments (DOE) and Quality Function Deployment (QFD)—two key elements of Design for Six Sigma.

Readers can download a free, 30-day evaluation copy and user guide at <http://www.qimacros.com/freestuff.html>. They can also signup for our free Lean Six Sigma Lessons on line and webinars.

<p>The QI Macros SPC Software contains 30+ charts and over 90+ fill-in-the-blank templates for simplifying the complexities of Lean Six Sigma. And at only \$199 (thousands less than competitors), they are the least expensive, most robust solution available on the market.</p>

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