

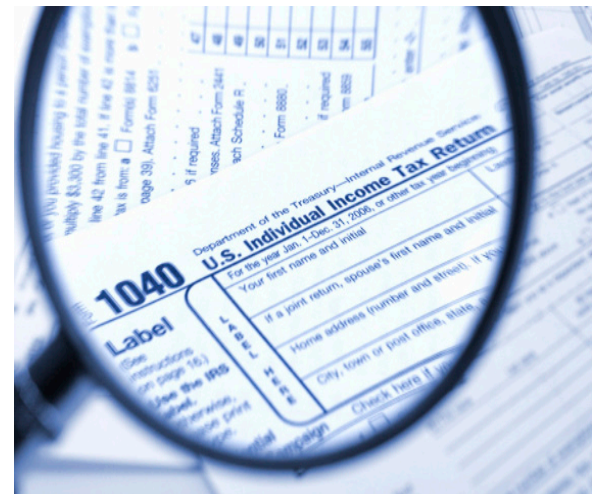
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Addressing the Compliance Assessment Challenges of Diverse Departments

“The analytical challenge was developing a process that was transparent, repeatable and easily communicated within a legal framework. In essence, the analysis had to become evidence that could be used to substantiate a case.”

The Internal Revenue Service aims to identify non-compliant taxpayers while, at the same time, reduce inconvenience to the vast majority of companies and individuals who cooperate with tax codes. Complex business structures and filing practices, intertwined entities and extensive volumes of available data are among the challenges faced by researchers, investigators and auditors across many IRS departments. The IRS Office of Research turned to Eastport Analytics for the advanced capabilities they needed to hone in on the right information to progress their cases.



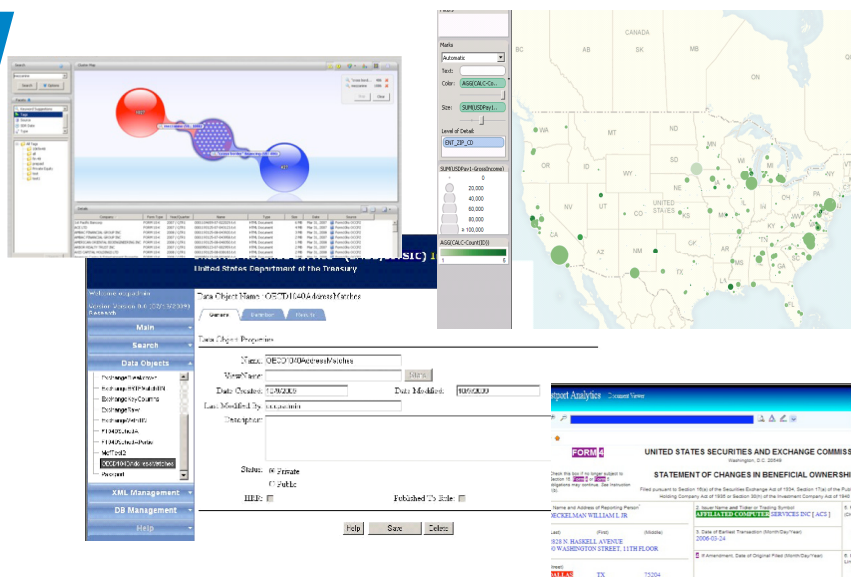
RESEARCH AND WORKLOAD IDENTIFICATION DIVISION

Eastport Analytics identified a number of areas where we could use our range of capabilities to transform information into insight that could help the IRS achieve its goals. Our involvement created sweeping changes across multiple departments within the organization, helping to streamline processes and identify the best targets for follow-up. **IRS workers now have better access to information, the ability to make more accurate case selection for audits, and faster prosecution for non-compliant taxpayers.**

One of the key needs for the Research and Workload Identification Division was a systemic process to identify patterns of non-compliance, and prioritize accounts for follow-up. Through a combination of pattern recognition, and data access and structuring tools, Eastport Analytics was able to create a structured, transparent and defensible method to hone in on compliance issues, prioritize workload selection, and deliver appropriate information to audit teams. The system Eastport Analytics developed led to automated workload selection of the next-best return for audit, and has since been implemented in other departments.

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IRS PROSECUTING ATTORNEYS

IRS Prosecuting trial attorneys must quickly identify relationships between people and organizations within large volumes of discovery data. Through innovative search capabilities, including entity extraction and link visualization, Eastport Analytics was able to strengthen this process by helping attorneys to identify previously unknown people and related facts and find similar and linked versions of documents to support case development.

LARGE AND MEDIUM SIZE BUSINESS DIVISION

Analysts in the Large and Medium Size Business Division were tasked with analyzing correlations and discrepancies across Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) submissions, including 10K's, Form 5's, Form 13's and various IRS forms. Department auditors, meanwhile, sought to define, identify and understand complex enterprise structures in order to focus resources on key compliance issues. Eastport Analytics was able to address these needs by creating a method to graphically describe the issue, creating link-chart concepts to tie the business to available IRS data. Armed with the ability to more rapidly identify SEC filings of interest, the

Large and Medium Size Business Division was able to identify all members of an organization -- regardless of how loosely connected -- and rapidly compare complex business entities with tax filings to identify possible non-compliance.

INTERNATIONAL RESEARCHERS AND AUDITORS

Foreign earnings provide a unique challenge for IRS analysts who must scour large volumes of data provided by treaty partners to identify entities that are not reporting all of their income. Eastport Analytics stepped in with tools that facilitated the indexing and normalization of treaty data to help compare treaty data to IRS data holdings. Analysts were able to download focused data sets and use this information to review associations, and more rapidly generate tips and leads for auditors.

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