

# Quick Start Guide

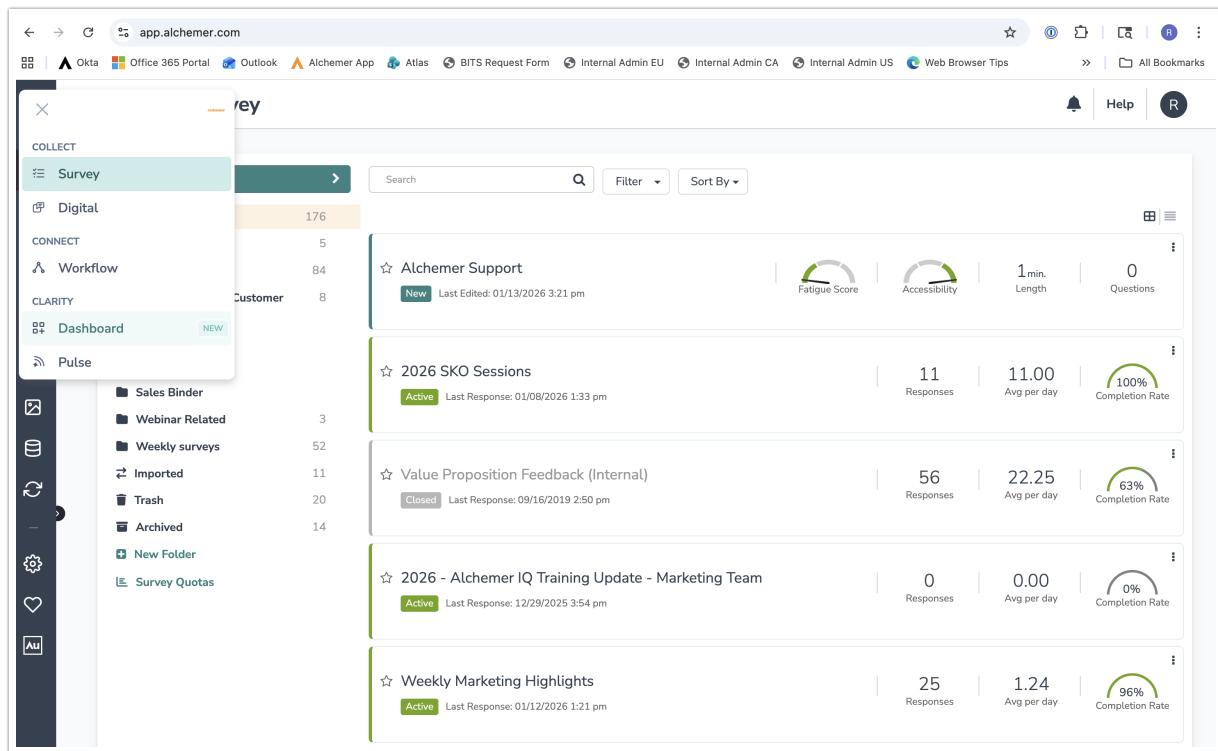
## Quick start guide: Get started with Dashboard

Dashboard in Alchemer Clarity help you visualize, track, and share your feedback data across your team. Whether you're building a standard dashboard or using Spark to create advanced, AI-assisted visualizations, this guide will help you get up and running—fast.

## Access the Dashboard area

Finding the Dashboard icon in the main navigation may not be obvious at first. Here's how to locate it:

1. In the left-hand main navigation, find the grid button, then the **Clarity** section.
2. Click **Dashboard** to open the dashboard workspace.



## Step 1: Prepare your data

To create a chart, you first need a dataset. Datasets are built from survey data using selected sources.

1. From the top navigation, click **Data > Sources**.
2. Select the survey(s) you want to include.
3. Click **New Dataset (bottom of the page)**.
4. Once created, go to the **Datasets** tab and click **Refresh**. Your new dataset will now appear.

Dataset Name	Build	Rows	Last Edited Date	Created By	Most Recent Response Date
<a href="#">Alchemer Marketing Customer Engagement Survey</a>	<a href="#">New Chart</a>	3	Jan 14, 2026, 9:42 AM	Marketing	Jun 12, 2024, 1:26 AM
<a href="#">Customer Research Study June 2024</a>	<a href="#">New Chart</a>	205	Jan 13, 2026, 10:49 AM	rosie.davenport+marketing...	Jul 27, 2024, 1:24 PM
<a href="#">2026 SKO Sessions</a>	<a href="#">New Chart</a>	11	Jan 13, 2026, 10:52 AM	rosie.davenport+marketing...	Jan 8, 2026, 1:33 PM
<a href="#">Reputation Management Study - Customers &amp; Prospects</a>	<a href="#">New Chart</a>	3,841	Jan 13, 2026, 12:17 PM	bo.bandy@sgizmo.com	Aug 15, 2025, 10:27 PM

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**Tip:** A **source** is your raw survey data. A **dataset** is a refined view based on selected questions and filters you define from that source.

## Step 2: Create your first chart

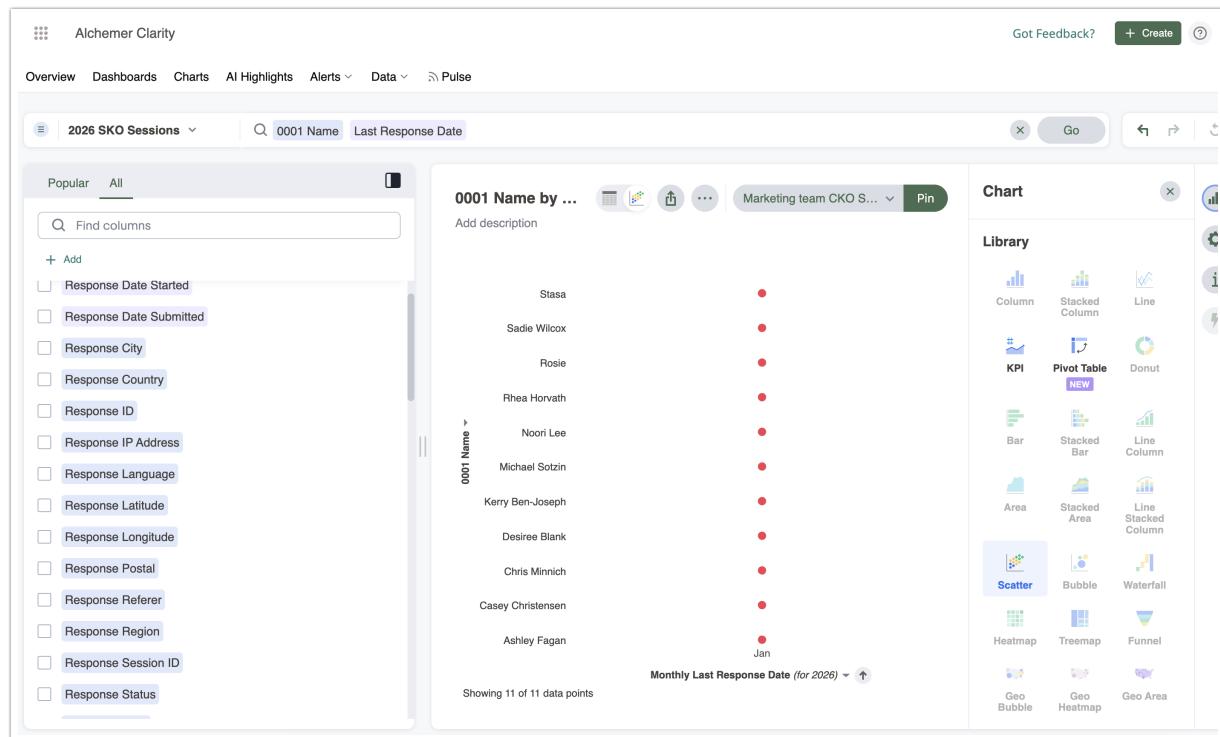
Once your dataset is ready:

1. Go to the **Charts** tab.
2. Click **New Chart**.
3. Select your dataset and choose the **question labels** you want to visualize. All available data from your survey will display on the left side column.
4. Choose your chart type from the library (bar, line, scatter, pivot, etc.). The chart type will default as a table. Once you have your table set up, then you can change the chart type by selecting the **chart type** you want.
5. Customize the chart with filters, colors, and descriptions.

## Step 3: Pin to your Dashboard

After customizing your chart:

1. Click **Pin** in the chart toolbar.
2. Select the dashboard you'd like to pin it to.
  - If you haven't created a dashboard yet, you'll be prompted to create one.



## Use Spark for AI-powered dashboards

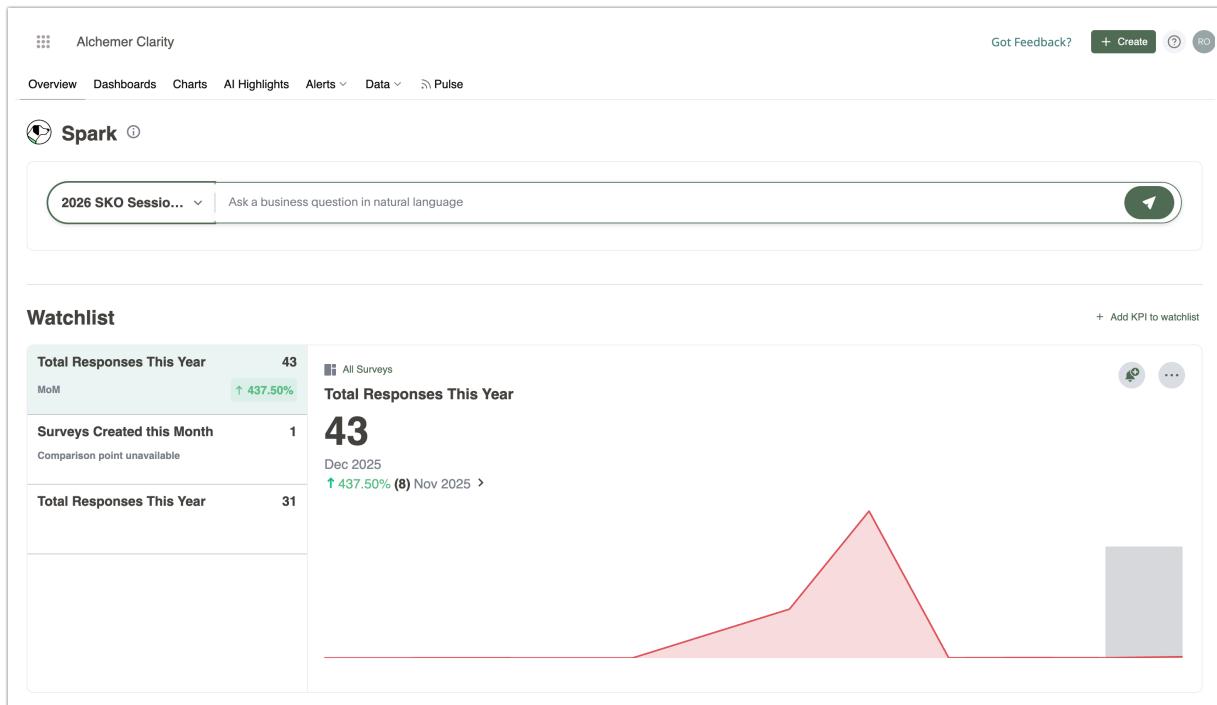
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### To use Spark:

1. Ensure you've created a dataset.
2. Navigate to the **Overview** tab.
3. Select a dataset from the dropdown.

4. In the Spark input box, ask a business question in natural language (e.g., “Show me a bar chart of NPS scores by month”).
5. Spark will create a chart for you instantly.
6. Pin and customize the chart as needed.



**Good to know:** You can change the chart type after using Spark, just like with manually created charts.

## Next steps

Once you've pinned a few charts to your dashboard:

- [Building in Dashboard](#)

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