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You can either use “chart report elements” or use images of online charts. For the description of the chart report elements please refer to the documentation of [reports](#). To use images of online charts in your reports or documents do the following:

1. Define a query to display your chart (see [Chart presentation of query results](#))
2. When defining chart properties of the query specify a unique id of the chart (can be any string)
3. Define an attribute of the Picture type in some object to store the image of the chart
4. Create a document template that would use this attribute in a tag expression, for example

```
<<MyObject.ChartImage>>
```

5. Write a process that will save the image of the chart in this attribute using the [SAVE SCREEN](#) action and display the document template, for example:

```
SAVE SCREEN 'my chart id' TO MyObject.ChartImage  
DISPLAY DOCUMENT 'My template using chart image'
```

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