

ExcelTemplate.BindColumnData(System.Collections.IDictionary, String, DataBindingProperties)

Description

Sets a column's data source to an [IDictionary](#). An IDictionary represents a collection of key-and-value pairs.

C#

```
public virtual void BindColumnData(System.Collections.IDictionary dataSource,
System.String dataSourceName, DataBindingProperties property)
```

vb.net

```
Public Overridable Sub BindColumnData(ByVal dataSource As
System.Collections.IDictionary, ByVal dataSourceName As String, ByVal [property] As
DataBindingProperties)
```

Parameters

dataSource

An IDictionary collection of key-and-value pairs.

dataSourceName

The name of the template data marker at which to insert the values imported from the data source.

property

The [DataBindingProperties](#) object which contains information about how the data should be bound to the template. *property* Must be specified, but the DataBindingProperties need not be set beforehand. To bind data to a template with the default DataBindingProperties, pass in ExcelTemplate.CreateDataBindingProperties() as the property value. Otherwise, use the ExcelTemplate.CreateDataBindingProperties() method to generate a new DataBindingProperties object and set the [DataBindingProperties.MaxRows](#), [DataBindingProperties.Transpose](#), and/or [DataBindingProperties.WorksheetName](#) properties for the workbook.

Exceptions

ArgumentNullException

BindColumnData will throw this exception if null (C#) or Nothing (VB.NET) is passed to the method.

ArgumentException

Remarks

You can set several data sources for a single template. Use the following methods to set template data sources: [BindCellData](#), [BindColumnData](#), [BindRowData](#), and [BindData](#).

Examples

C#

```
//--- Set a column data source for the data marker
//--- %=$Products
xlt.BindColumnData(coll,
    "Products",
    xlt.CreateDataBindingProperties());
```

vb.net

```
'--- Set a column data source for the data marker
'--- %=$Products
xlt.BindColumnData(coll, _
    "Products", _
    xlt.CreateDataBindingProperties())
```