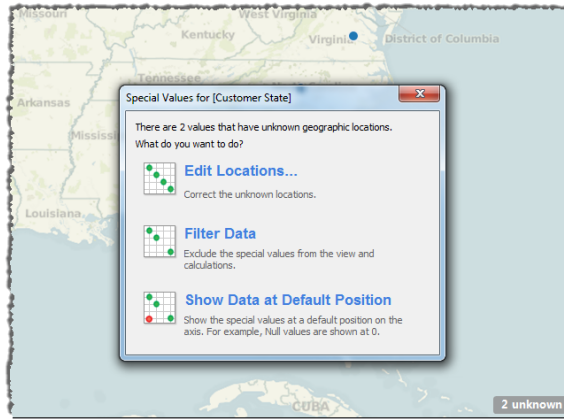


Handling Null Values

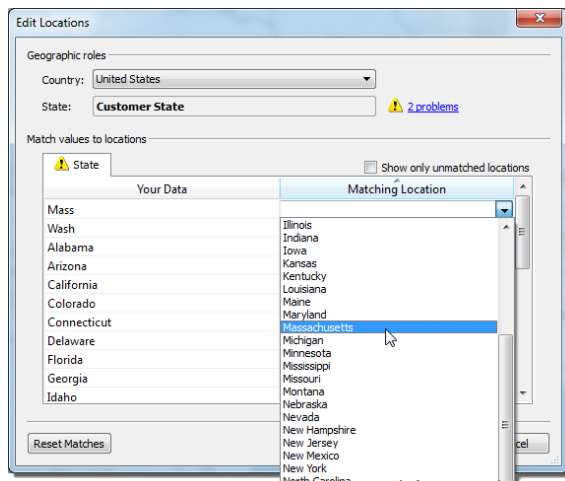
Null values along an axis are indicated in the lower right corner of the view. Click the indicator to open a dialog box that will help you decide how to handle these values.



The options available in the dialog box depend on the type of data in the view. The options for geographic data, numbers, and dates are described below.

Unknown Geographic Locations

If you are mapping data using Tableau's built-in geocoding, you may have some unrecognized locations that cannot be mapped. In this case, you can Edit Locations to open a dialog box that will help you match your data to known locations. For example, your data may include "Mass" instead of "Massachusetts" as a state name.



Null Numbers and Dates

If a numeric or date axis contains null values, you can choose to Filter the values, which removes them from the view and all calculations; or show them at a default position. The default positions are described in the following table.

Type of Data	Default Position
Numbers	0
Dates	12/31/1899
Negative Value on a Log Axis	1
Unknown Geographic Locations	(0, 0)

By default, the values are shown with the indicator in the lower right corner of the view and are included in calculations. Right-click the indicator to hide it.

