

# Airlines Customer Satisfaction



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# Introduction

*Post-pandemic surge in air travel has led to increased operational challenges.*

Prescriptive

Air Travel ↑  
Customer Satisfaction ↓

What factors are  
Impacting customer  
satisfaction?

Predictive

Look for patterns in data  
to improve satisfaction.

What factors predict  
customer satisfaction?

## Prescriptive Hypothesis

## Predictive Hypothesis

### HYPOTHESIS 1

Gender Affects  
Baggage Handling  
Rating

### HYPOTHESIS 3

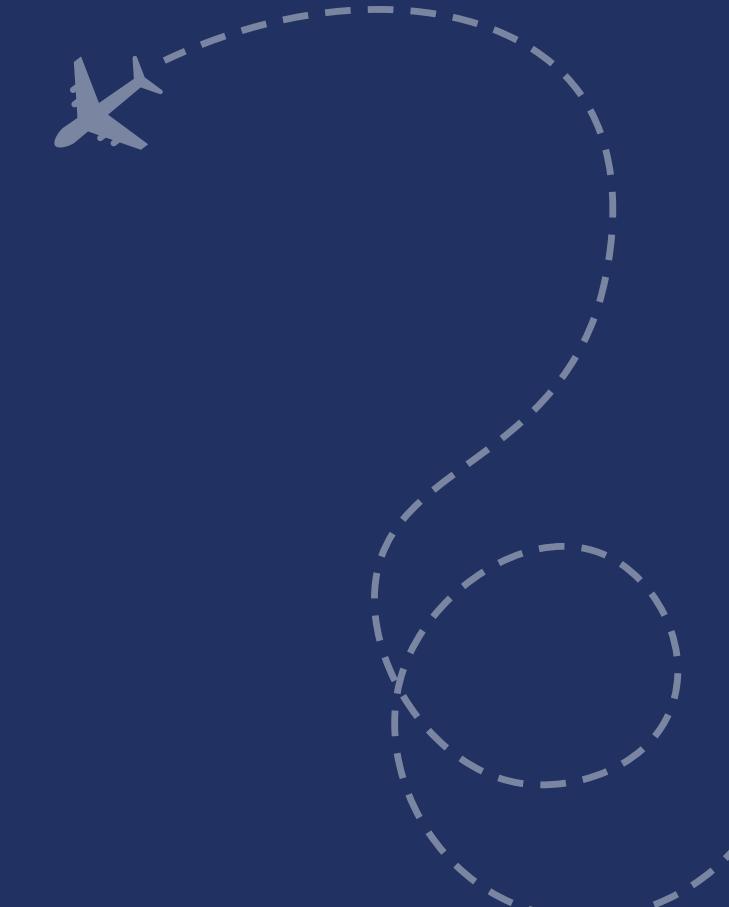
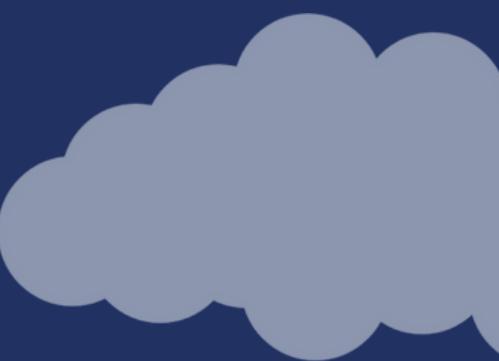
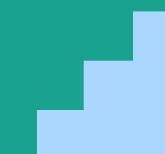
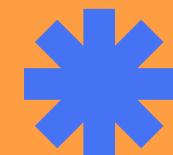
Gender Predicts  
Cleanliness Rating

### HYPOTHESIS 2

Service Class  
Affects Check-in  
Rating

### HYPOTHESIS 4

Service Class  
Predicts Onboard  
Service Rating



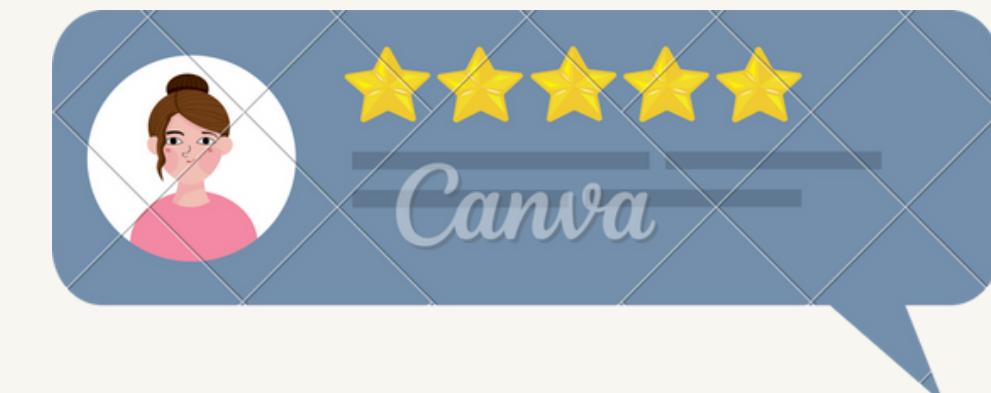
# DATASET



## Source: Kaggle Dataset

- Survey feedback from passengers on various service aspects
- Likely came from third-party data collectors.
- Reflects actual flight experiences.

- **Dataset Size:**
  - 129,880 cases in population
  - 5,000 sampled
- **Unit of Analysis:** Independent Customer Ratings
- **Record:** Independent customer, unlinked to others.



# DATA DICTIONARY

## GENDER

- Categorical variable (Male, Female)
- representing whether the passenger is male or female, via surveys during the flight to capture demographic data.

## Class

- Categorical variable (Economy, Economy Plus, Business),
- Recorded based on the service class purchased by the passenger, used to differentiate service levels.

## Check-in Service Rating

- Numeric variable (1-5)
- Captures passengers' satisfaction with the check-in process, collected through post-flight surveys.

## Baggage Handling

- Numeric variable (1-5)
- Captures passengers' rating of baggage handling services, collected through surveys after the flight experience.

## Cleanliness Ratings

- Numeric variable (1-5)
- Captures Passengers' rating of cleanliness of services of flight, collected through surveys after the flight experience.

## Onboard Service Rating

- Numeric variable (1-5)
- Captures Passenger's rating of onboard services (e.g., meals, Wi-Fi), collected via customer feedback surveys after the flight.

Numeric Variable	N	Mean (SD)	Range	Distribution	Variable Type	Hypothesis
Baggage Handling	5000	3.675 (1.100)	1.0~5.0	Not Normal	DV	H1
Check in Services	4999*	3.248 (1.319)	1.0~5.0	Not Normal	DV	H1
Cleanliness	5000	3.385 (1.239)	1.0~5.0	Not Normal	DV	H3
Onboard Service	5000	3.265 (1.314)	1.0~5.0	Not Normal	DV	H4
Categorical Variable	N	Mode	-	Distribution	Variable Type	Hypothesis
Class	5000	Eco	-	Multi-nominal	IV	H2 and H4
Gender	5000	Female	-	Binary	IV	H1 and H3

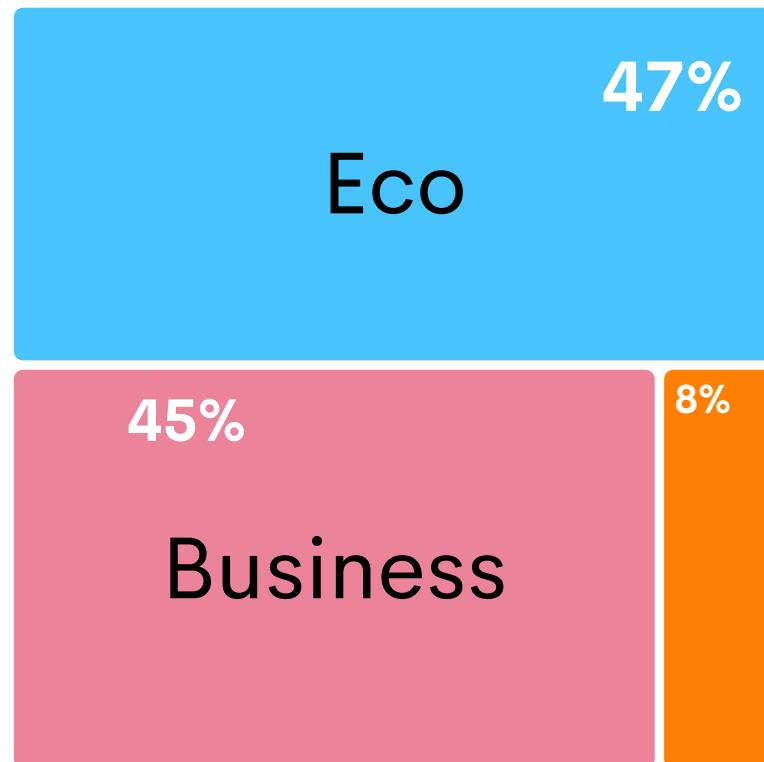


\* One Outlier (Removed)

# INFOGRAPHICS



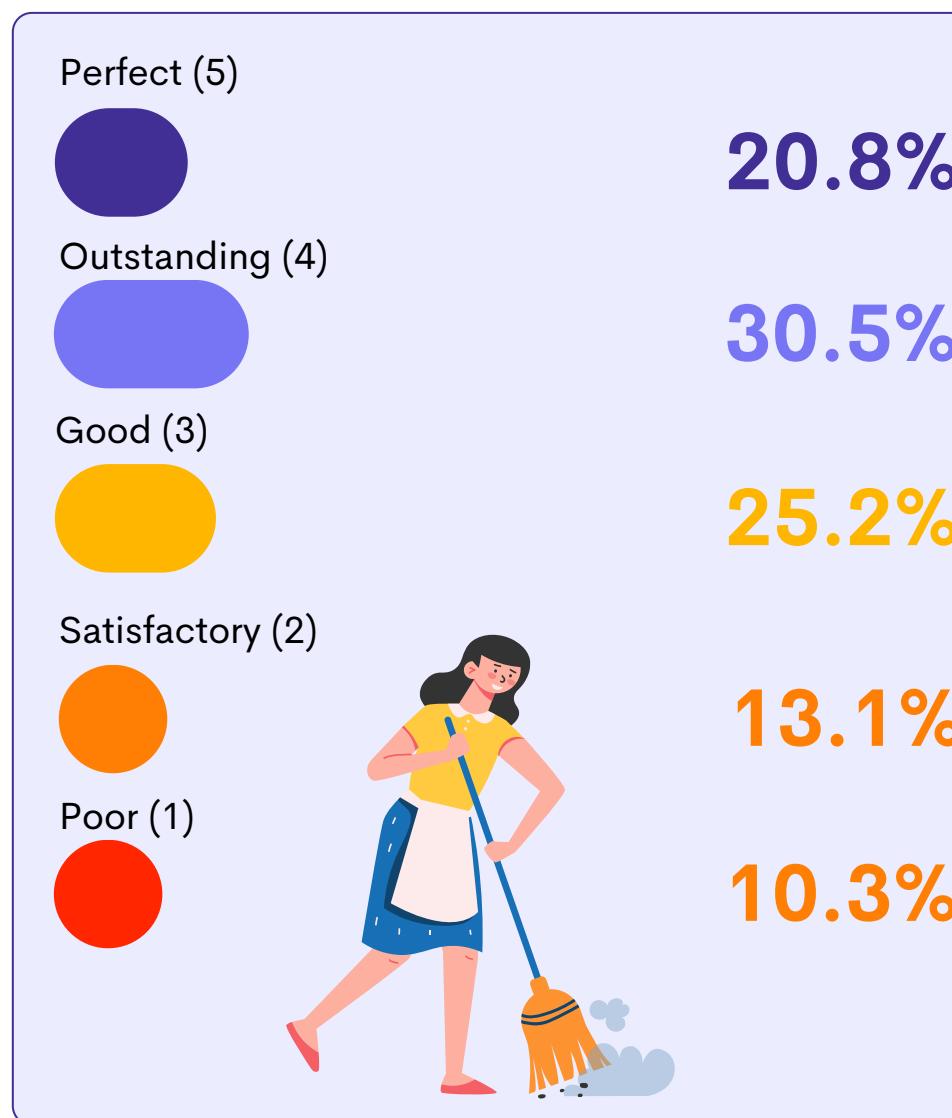
## Airline Class



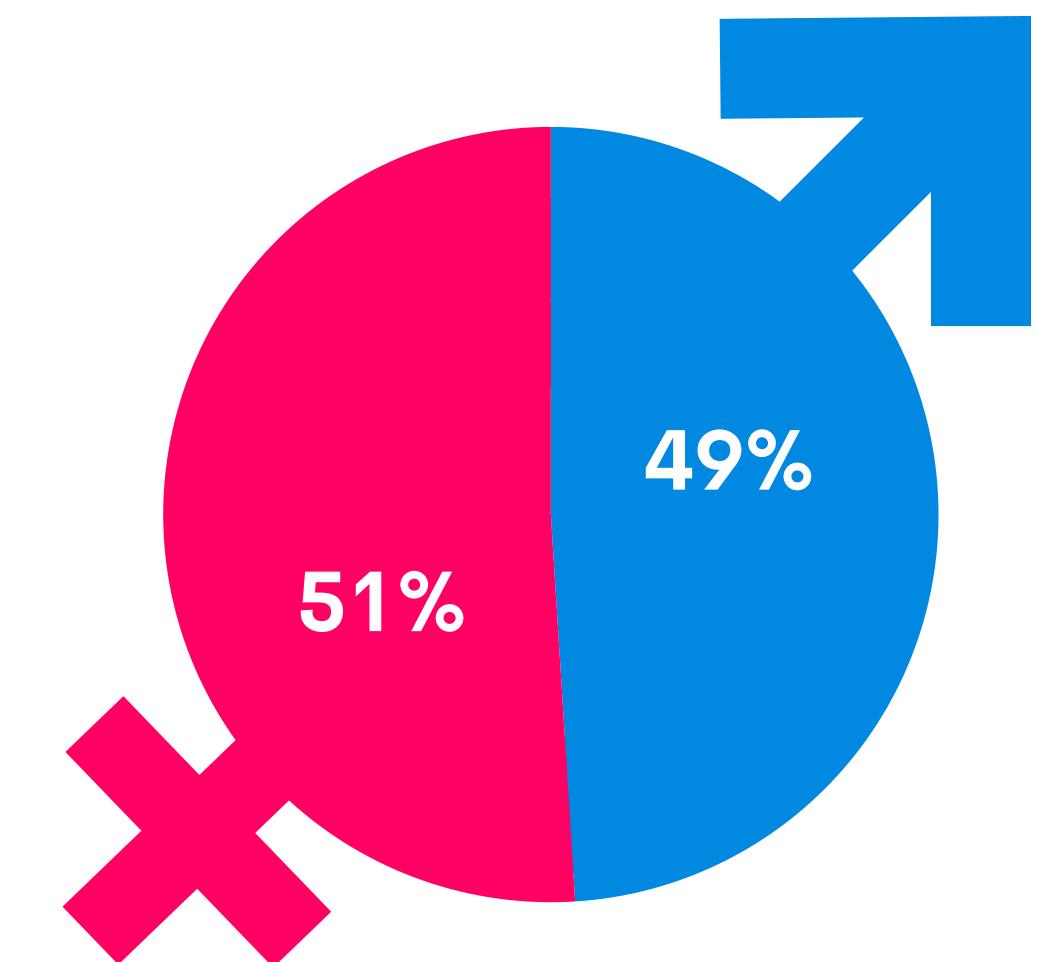
**ECO BUSINESS** Is the most preferred choice, closely followed by

While **ECO PLUS** trails far behind both.

## Cleanliness Rating



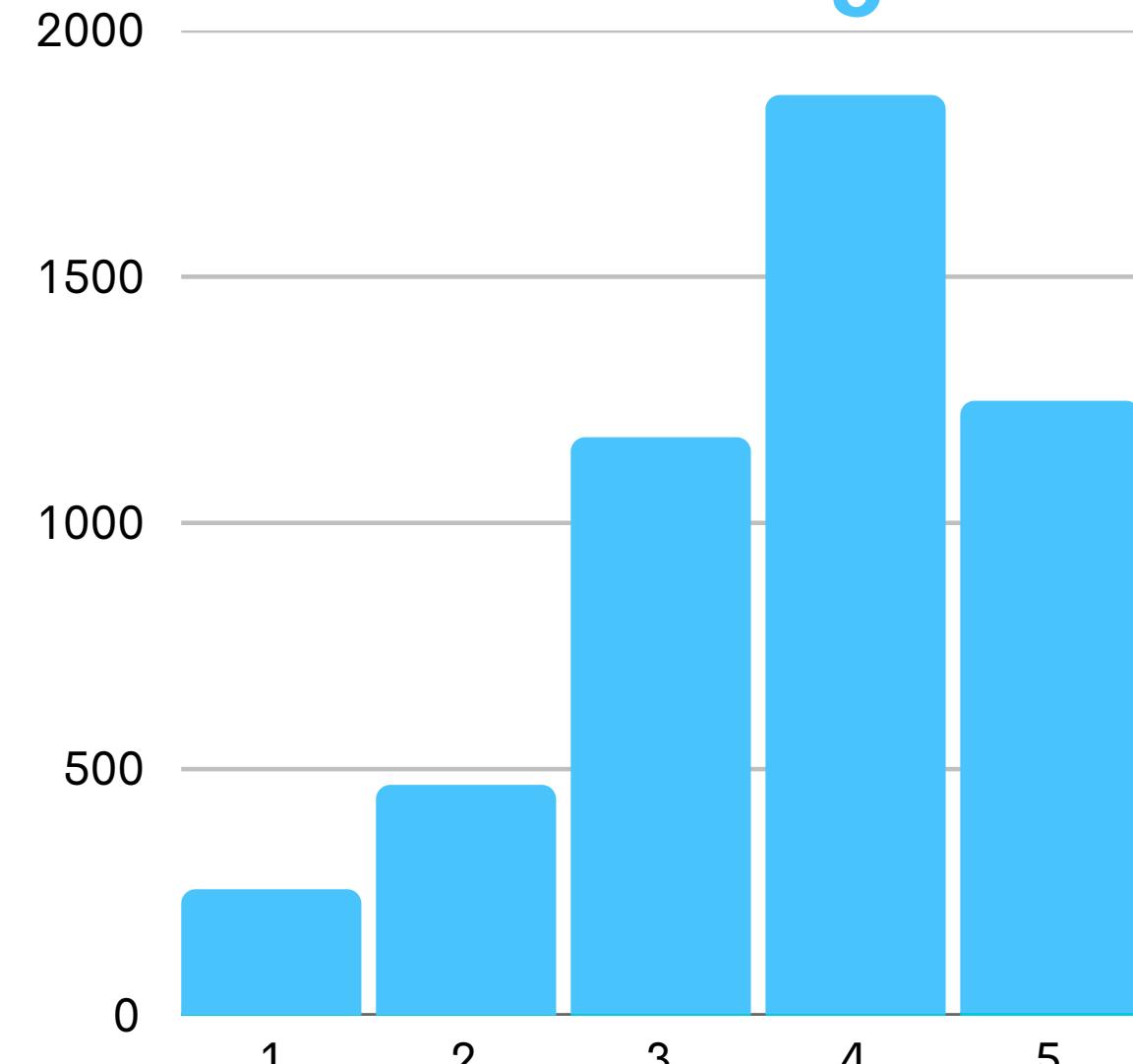
## Gender Demographics



Of 5000 ratings sampled, **2548** were from female passengers.

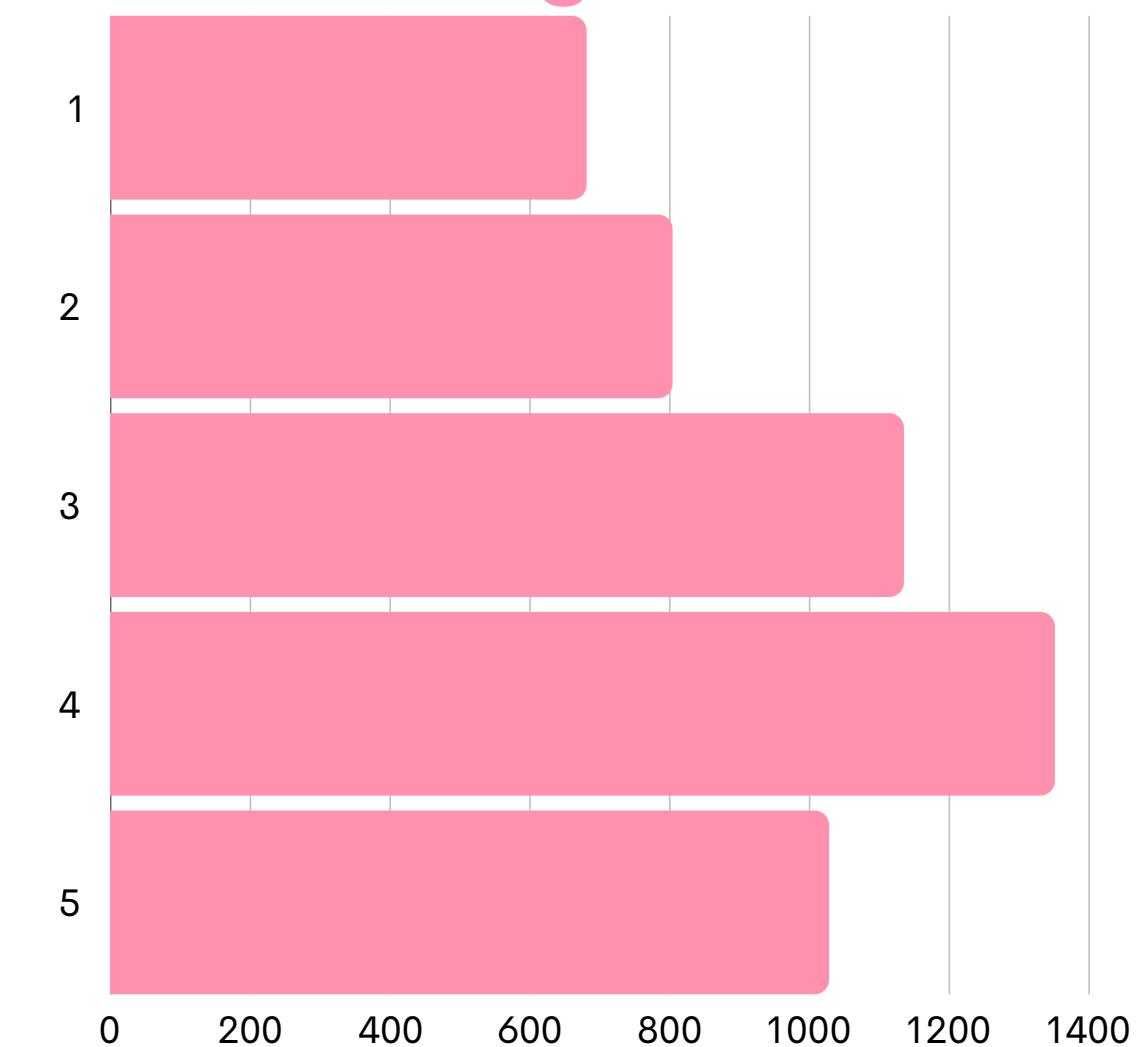
The remaining **2452** were male.

## Baggage Handling Rating



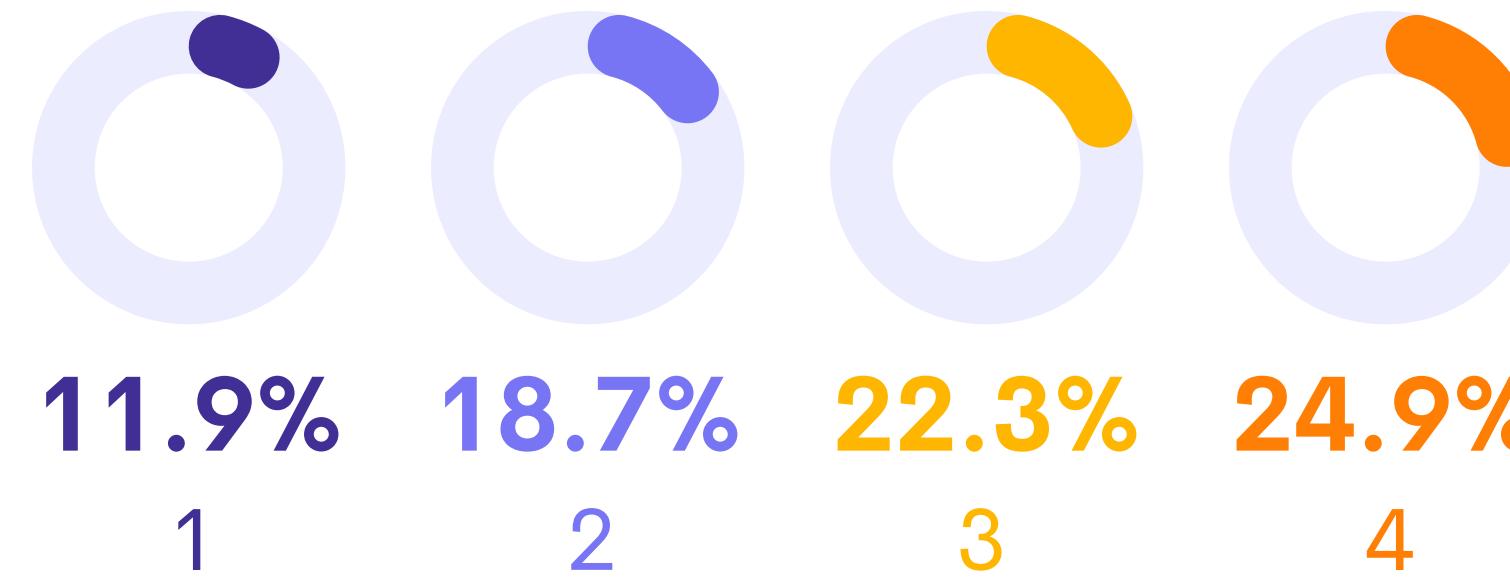
# INFOGRAPHICS

## Check In Service Rating



## On Board Service Rating

Nearly one quarter of Customers rate On Board Service at **4**



Ratings of **3** and **5** trailed right behind

# PRESCRIPTIVE ANALYTICS

GENDER  
(IV)

DOES NOT AFFECT

Independent Sample T- Test

BAGGAGE  
HANDLING  
(DV)

Test statistic  $t = 1.701$  and  $p = 0.089$  signifies that  
Gender **does not** significant affect Baggage Handling.

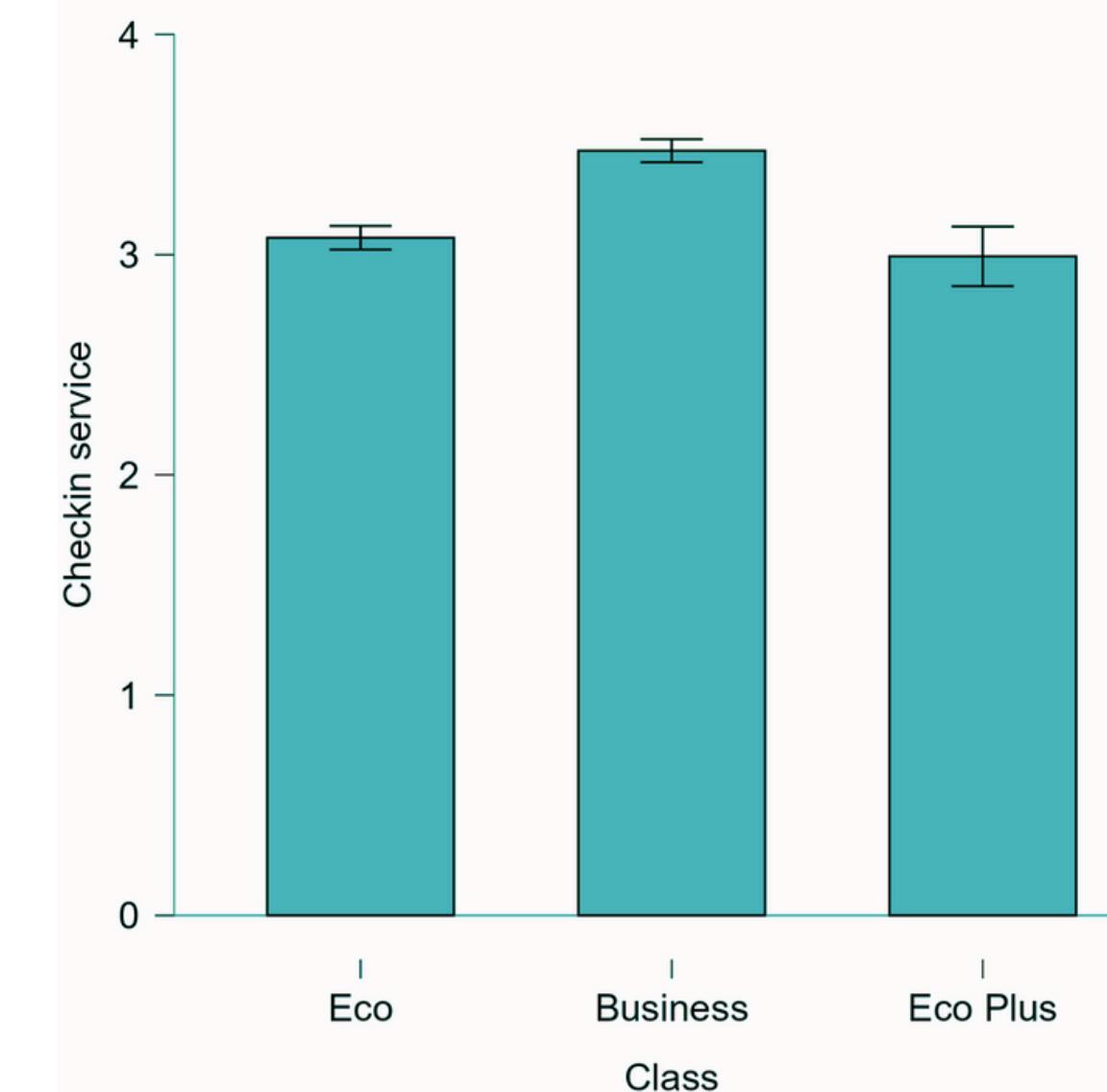
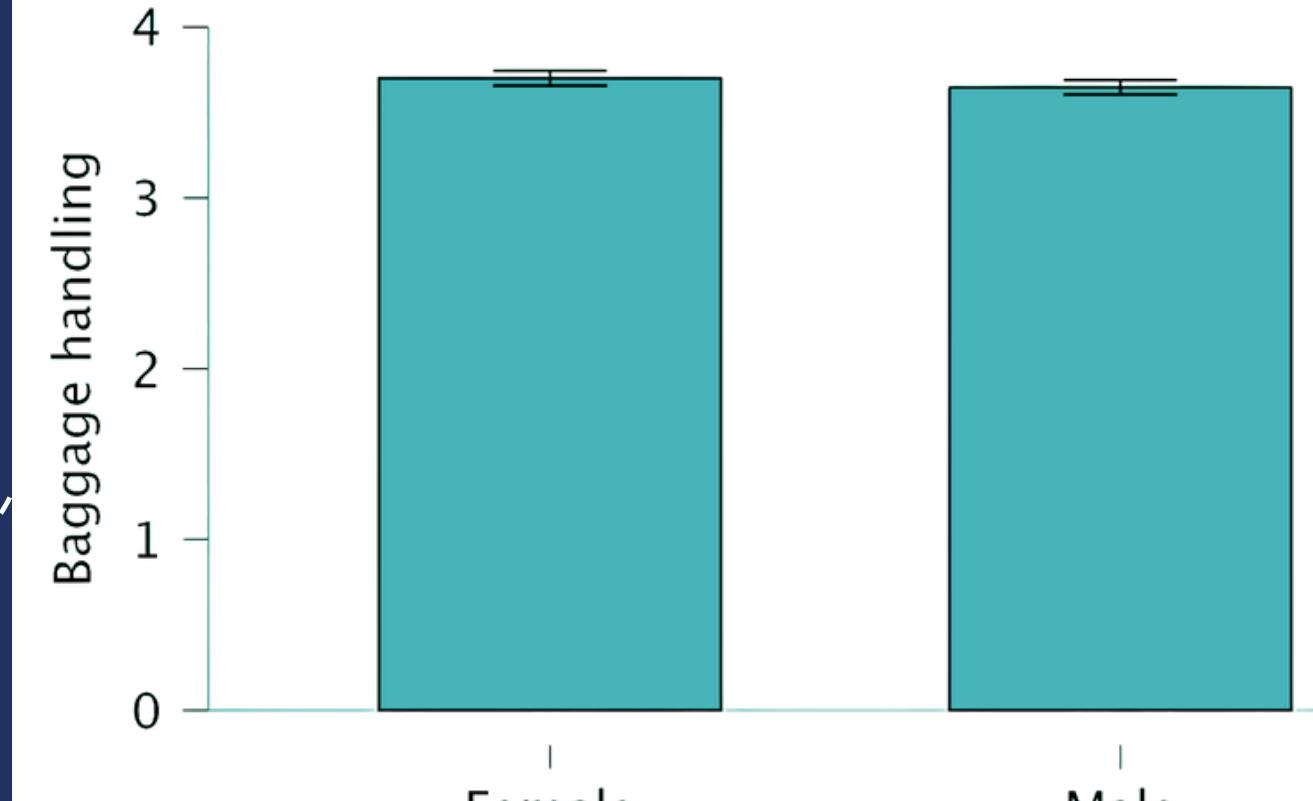
CLASS  
(IV)

DOES AFFECT

ANOVA

CHECK-IN  
SERVICE  
(DV)

Check-in service ratings shows a significant difference between Airline  
classes with  $F = 61.015$  and  $p < .001$



# PREDICTIVE ANALYTICS

GENDER  
(IV)

DOES NOT PREDICT

Linear Regression

CLEANLINESS  
(DV)

Gender is **not** a significant predictor of Cleanliness rating,  $F(1, 4998) = 0.043$ ,  $p = 0.836$

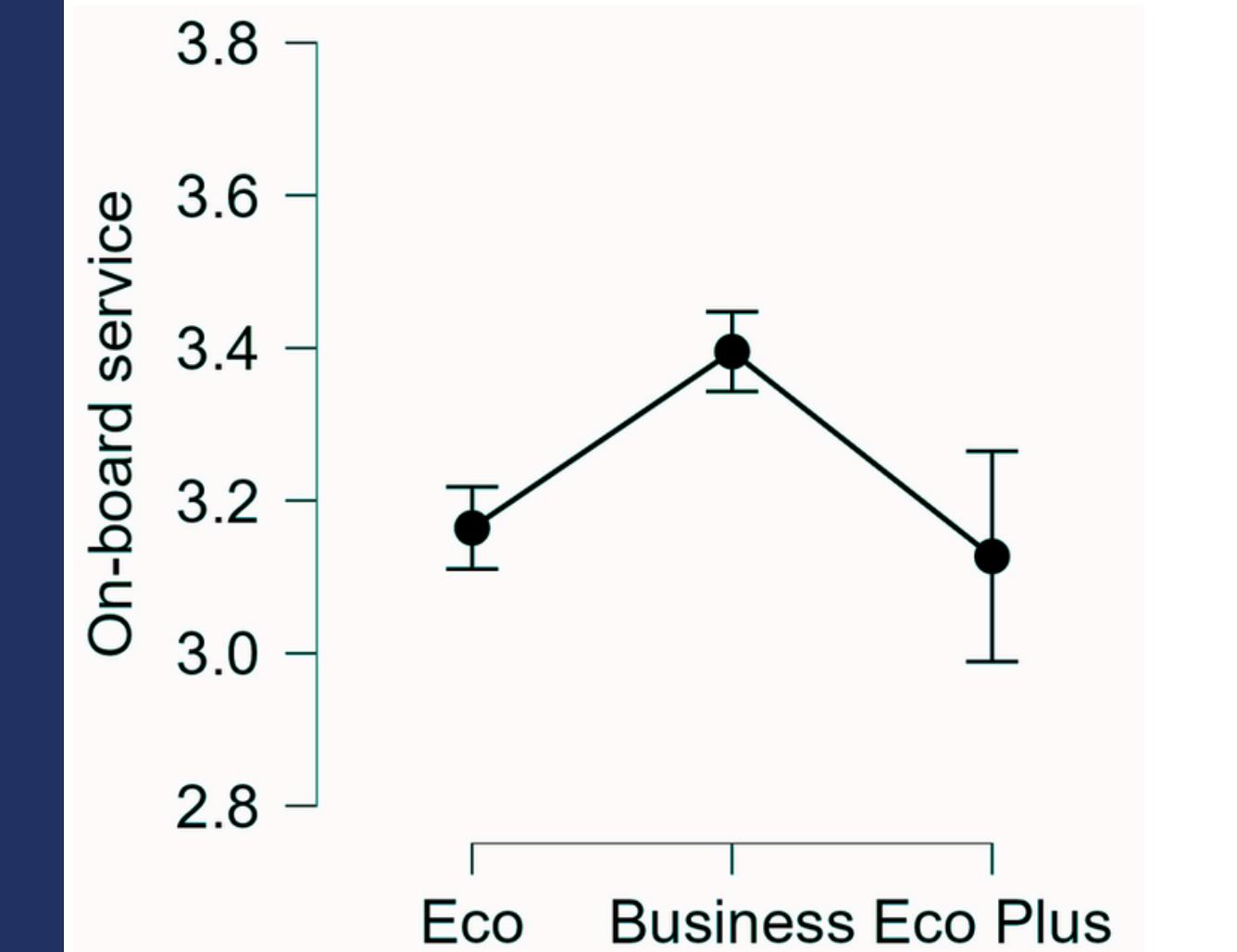
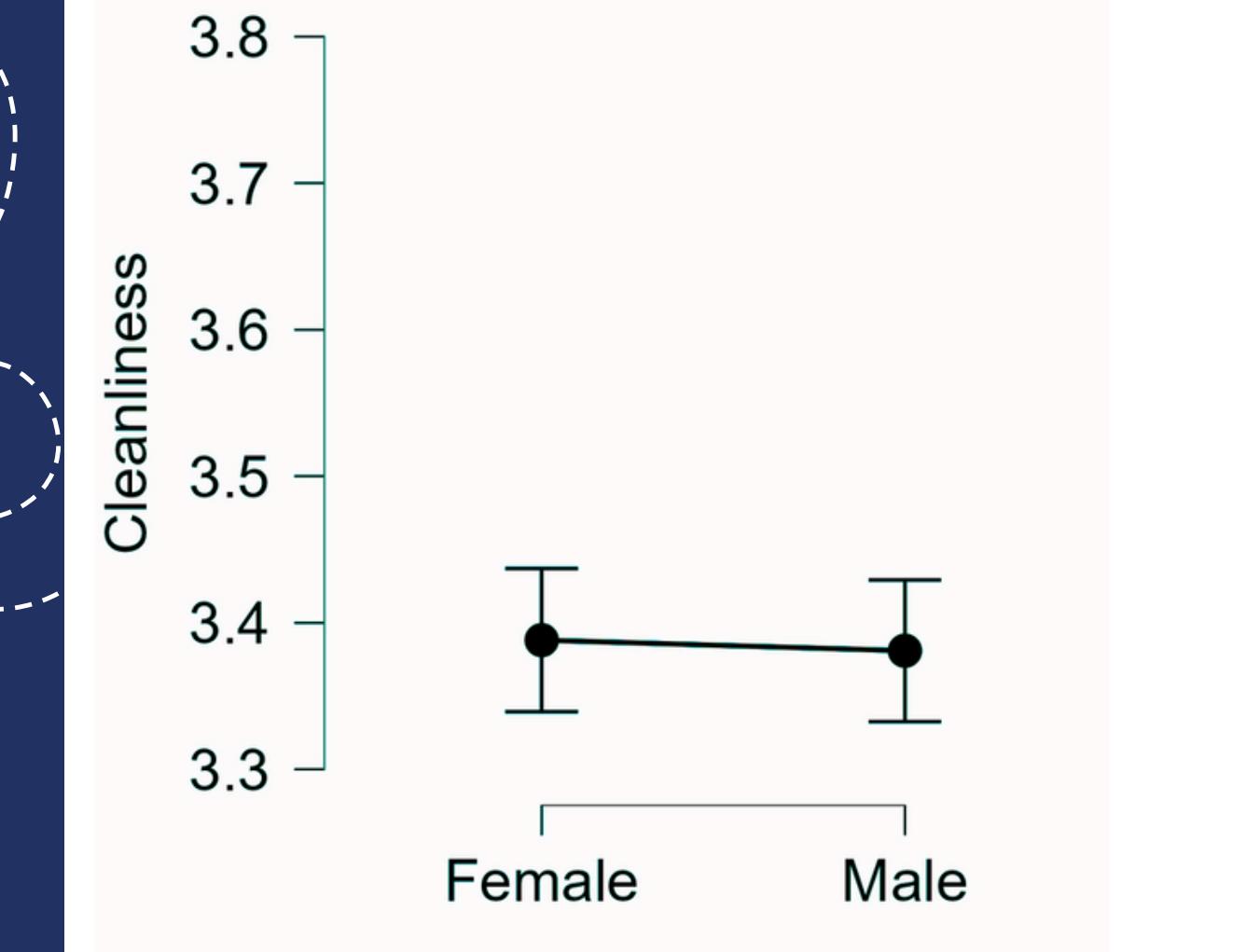
CLASS  
(IV)

DOES PREDICT

Linear Regression

On-Board Satisfaction  
(DV)

Class significantly predicted On-board service ratings,  $F(2, 4997) = 20.301$ ,  $p < .001$



## PREDICTIVE EQUATIONS

Cleanliness Rate  $\hat{Y}$  =  $3.388 - 0.007 \times \text{Gender (Male)}$

Gender  
Male - 1  
Female - 0



Predicting Female Cleanliness Rating

$$\begin{aligned} &= 3.388 - 0.007 \times (0) \\ &= 3.388 \end{aligned}$$

Case Actual Rating = 4

Class  
Eco Plus - 1  
Business - 0  
Eco - 0

Onboard Service  $\hat{Y}$  =  $3.164 + 0.231 \times \text{Business Class} - 0.037 \times \text{EcoPlus}$

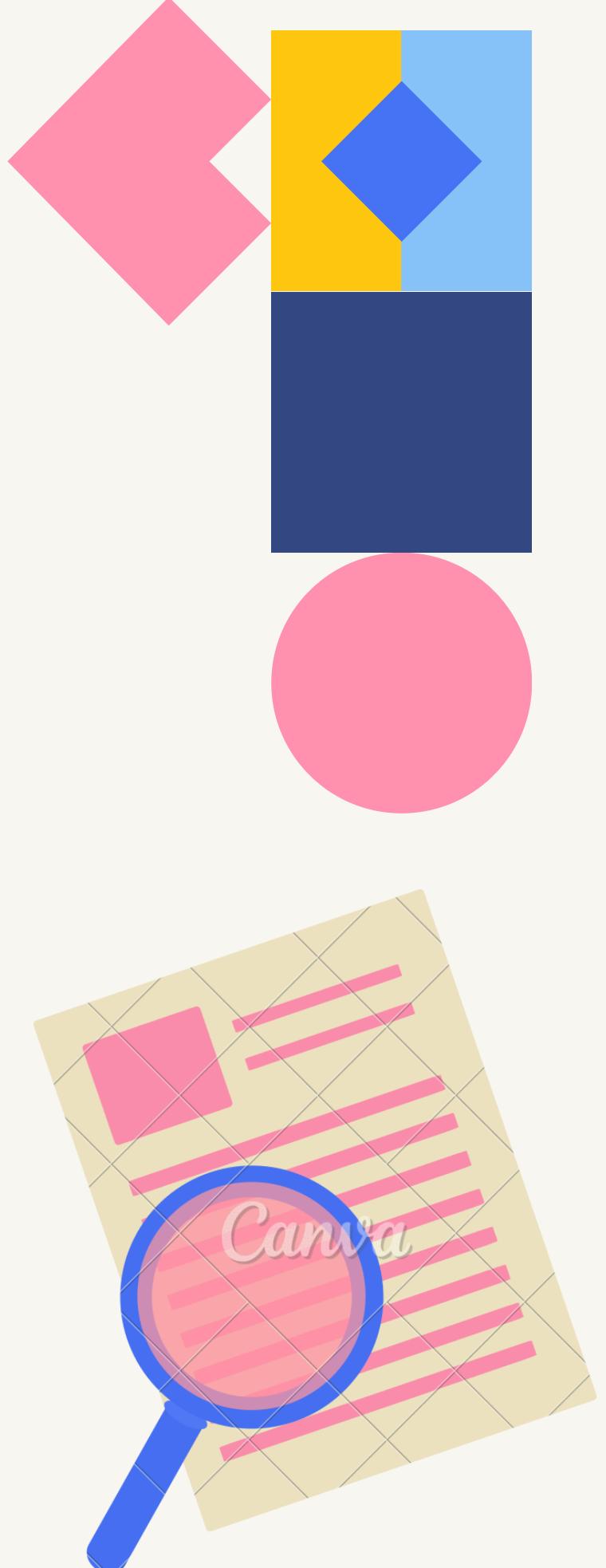
Predicting onboard service for Eco Plus class

$$\begin{aligned} &= 3.164 - 0.037 \times (1) \\ &= 3.164 - 0.037 \\ &= 3.127 \end{aligned}$$

Case Actual Rating = 4

# RECAP OF KEY FINDINGS

- H1 Gender **DOES NOT AFFECT** Baggage Handling rating.  
Contradicts Siu (2019) study.
  
- H2 Airline Service Class **AFFECTS** Check-In rating  
Validates Sezgen et al. (2019) study.
  
- H3 Gender **DOES NOT PREDICT** Cleanliness rating.  
Contradicts Eriksson (2022) study.
  
- H4 Airline service class **PREDICTS** onboard service rating.  
Validates Park et al. (2020) study.



# LIMITATIONS & CONCERNS

## LIMITATIONS

- Lack of generalizability
- Low representation of Eco Plus class
- Limited literature
  - New Zealand

## CONCERNS

- Ethical concern of focusing on gender
- Models may struggle with accuracy due to human error



# Recommendations



- Keep cleanliness and baggage handling standards equals for male and female passengers
- Increase check in and on board services for Eco Class
- Maintain current quality for all classes

