Unlocking insights into Global Air Transportation Network With Tableau

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Introduction

This Global Air Transportation Network dataset is a comprehensive collection of information on airports, airlines and their routes. It contains information such as names, cities, countries, codes (IATA and ICAO) longitudes, latitudes and altitudes of airports across the world with detailed time zone and daylight saving time data. Additionally, this includes information about airlines including their IDs, name aliases, IATA and ICAO codes, callsigns country of origin and active/inactive status. Similarly, it also covers route details such as airline sources to destination airports along with essential details like codeshare stakeholder if any stops required during this journey along with the type of aircraft being used for that particular journey. This dataset has been compiled through meticulous labor by researchers all over the world to give you a comprehensive detail into air transportation networks from around the globe. It requires your generous donations in order for them to keep updating this data source so please do donate if possible.

Milestone 1: Define problem/ problem understanding

Activity 1: Specify the business problem

Activity 2: Business requirements

Activity 3: Literature survey(student will write)

Activity 4: Social or Business impact

Unlocking Insights Into The Global Air Transportation Network With Tableau.

Abstract:

Almost half of the world's population is carried by airlines each year, and understanding this mode of transport is important from economic and scientific perspectives.

In recent years, the increasing availability of data has led to complex network and agent interaction models which attempt to gain better understanding of the air transport network and develop forecasts.

In this case study paper, we review existing research on two key approaches, namely:
(1) a top-down multi-scale network science approach, and
(2) a bottom-up entropy-maximization interaction network approach.

Using simple socioeconomic indicators, we were able to construct a very accurate interaction model that can predict traffic volume, and the model can forward estimate the impact of population growth or fuel cost. Using network science approaches, we were able to identify community structures and relate them to economic outputs.

Introduction:

Air transport networks are complex networks that span across multiple distance scales (from a few km to 10,000 km) and multiplex together over 5000 airline operators and has strong inter-dependencies with socioeconomic drivers.

The air transport network carry 3.5 bn passengers per year and generate over 30 m jobs globally. The analysis of air transport networks to better understand its network properties goes back for over 10 years [1,2,3,4].

Bottom-up entropy-maximization interaction model, which considers consumer choice;

The former gives a complex and detailed understanding of how spatial networks (i.e., flights) form from spatial processes (i.e., airports) and what the weight of each edge (i.e., passenger volume) is with respect to cost (impedes flow) and benefit (attracts flow) functions that relate to consumer behaviour.

Conclusions:

Almost half of the world's population is carried by airlines each year, and understanding this mode of transport is important from economic and scientific perspectives.

In this case study paper, we reviewed both bottom-up (max. entropy agent model) and top-down (network science) approaches to better understand the fundamental science behind air transport networks.

In Sect. 2.2, using simple socioeconomic indicators, we were able to construct a very accurate entropy-maximization interaction model that can predict traffic volume for Australia.

Future research will integrate the flow dynamic data into the complex network analysis, which can be done either explicitly through differential equation models [42] or using passenger flow data as a proxy [43].

References:

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See an example

Brainstorm & idea prioritization

Use this template in your own brainstorming sessions so your team can unleash their imagination and start shaping concepts even if you're not sitting in the same room.

- 90 minutes to prepare
- Time to collaborate
- 2-8 people recommended

Before you collaborate

A little bit of preparation goes a long way with this session. Here's what you need to do to get going.

- 10 minutes

Team gathering

Set the goal

Learn how to use the facilitation tools

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Define your problem statement

What problem are you trying to solve? Frame your problem as a How Might We statement. This will be the focus of your brainstorm.

- 5 minutes

Key rules of brainstorming

- Stay in topic
- Defer judgment
- Go for volume
- Encourage wild ideas
- Listen to others
- If possible, be visual

Brainstorm

Write down any ideas that come to mind that address your problem statement.

- 10 minutes

Person 1   **Person 2**

Person 3   **Person 4**

Group ideas

Take turns sharing your ideas while clustering similar or related notes as you go. Once all sticky notes have been grouped, give each cluster a sentence-like label. If a cluster is bigger than six sticky notes, try and see if you and break it up into smaller sub-groups.

- 20 minutes

We now solve the SIS model (F) which has been applied to a wide range of connection scenarios, such as financial spending patterns in shopping centres. The SIS model has the potential to predict the flow between different nodes of the network, given data related to the cost and the benefit of having flights between the airports.

$$W(F_i) = P \cdot T(F_i) \cdot F_i$$

$$S = -\sum_i (F_i) \log (F_i)$$

Prioritize

Your team should all be on the same page about what's important moving forward. Place your ideas on this grid to determine which ideas are important and which are feasible.

- 20 minutes

Importance

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Feasibility

After you collaborate

You can export the murals as an image or pdf to share with members of your company who might find it helpful.

Quick add-ons

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Keep moving forward

- Strategy blueprint
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- Customer experience journey map
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- Strengths, weaknesses, opportunities & threats
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Milestone 2: Data &extraction from

Activity 1:Collect the dataset

index	Airline ID	Name	Alias	IATA	ICAO	Callsign	Country	Active
0	-1	Unknown	\N	-		\N	\N	Y
1	1	Private fli	\N	-				Y
2	2	135 Airwa	\N		GNL	GENERAL	United Sta	N
3	3	1Time Airl	\N	1T	RNX	NEXTIME	South Afri	Y
4	4	2 Sqn No 1	\N		WYT		United Kir	N
5	5	213 Flight	\N		TFU		Russia	N
6	6	223 Flight	\N		CHD	CHKALOV!	Russia	N
7	7	224th Fligh	\N		TTF	CARGO UN	Russia	N
8	8	247 Jet Ltc	\N		TWF	CLOUD RU	United Kir	N
9	9	3D Aviatio	\N		SEC	SECUREX	United Sta	N
10	10	40-Mile Ai	\N	Q5	MLA	MILE-AIR	United Sta	Y
11	11	4D Air	\N		QRT	QUARTET	Thailand	N
12	12	611897 Alk	\N		THD	DONUT	Canada	N
13	13	Ansett Au	\N	AN	AAA	ANSETT	Australia	Y
14	14	Abacus Int	\N	1B			Singapore	Y
15	15	Abelag Av	\N	W9	AAB	ABG	Belgium	N
16	16	Army Air (	\N		AAC	ARMYAIR	United Kir	N
17	17	Aero Avia	\N		AAD	SUNRISE	Canada	N
18	18	Aero Serv	\N		SII	ASEISA	Mexico	N
19	19	Aero Biniz	\N		BZS	BINIZA	Mexico	N

index	Airport ID	Name	City	Country	IATA	ICAO	Latitude	Longitude	Altitude	Timezone	DST	Tz databas	Type	Source
0	1	Goroka Ai	Goroka	Papua Ne	GKA	AYGA	-6.08169	145.392	5282	10	U	Pacific/Po	airport	OurAirports
1	2	Madang A	Madang	Papua Ne	MAG	AYMD	-5.20708	145.789	20	10	U	Pacific/Po	airport	OurAirports
2	3	Mount Ha	Mount Ha	Papua Ne	HGU	AYMH	-5.82679	144.296	5388	10	U	Pacific/Po	airport	OurAirports
3	4	Nadzab Ai	Nadzab	Papua Ne	LAE	AYNZ	-6.5698	146.726	239	10	U	Pacific/Po	airport	OurAirports
4	5	Port More	Port More	Papua Ne	POM	AYPY	-9.44338	147.22	146	10	U	Pacific/Po	airport	OurAirports
5	6	Wewak In	Wewak	Papua Ne	WWK	AYWK	-3.58383	143.669	19	10	U	Pacific/Po	airport	OurAirports
6	7	Narsarsua	Narssarssu	Greenland	UAK	BGBW	61.1605	-45.426	112	-3	E	America/(	airport	OurAirports
7	8	Godthaab	Godthaab	Greenland	GOH	BGGH	64.1909	-51.6781	283	-3	E	America/(	airport	OurAirports
8	9	Kangerlus	Sondrestr	Greenland	SFJ	BGSF	67.01222	-50.7116	165	-3	E	America/(	airport	OurAirports
9	10	Thule Air	Thule	Greenland	THU	BGTL	76.5312	-68.7032	251	-4	E	America/T	airport	OurAirports
10	11	Akureyri A	Akureyri	Iceland	AEY	BIAR	65.66	-18.0727	6	0	N	Atlantic/R	airport	OurAirports
11	12	EgilsstaÃ°	Egilsstadi	Iceland	EGS	BIEG	65.2833	-14.4014	76	0	N	Atlantic/R	airport	OurAirports
12	13	HornafjÃ¶	Hofn	Iceland	HFN	BIHN	64.2956	-15.2272	24	0	N	Atlantic/R	airport	OurAirports
13	14	HÃºsavÃ-I	Husavik	Iceland	HZK	BIHU	65.9523	-17.426	48	0	N	Atlantic/R	airport	OurAirports
14	15	ÃsafjÃ¶rÃ	Isafjordur	Iceland	IFJ	BIIS	66.0581	-23.1353	8	0	N	Atlantic/R	airport	OurAirports
15	16	Keflavik Ir	Keflavik	Iceland	KEF	BIKF	63.985	-22.6056	171	0	N	Atlantic/R	airport	OurAirports
16	17	PatreksfjÃ	Patreksfjc	Iceland	PFJ	BIPA	65.5558	-23.965	11	0	N	Atlantic/R	airport	OurAirports
17	18	Reykjavik	Reykjavik	Iceland	RKV	BIRK	64.13	-21.9406	48	0	N	Atlantic/R	airport	OurAirports
18	19	SiglufjÃ¶r	Siglufjord	Iceland	SIJ	BISI	66.1333	-18.9167	10	0	N	Atlantic/R	airport	OurAirports
19	20	Vestmann	Vestmann	Iceland	VEY	BIVM	63.4243	-20.2789	326	0	N	Atlantic/R	airport	OurAirports

index	Airline	Airline ID	Source air	Source air	Destinatic	Destinatic	Codeshare	Stops	Equipment
0	2B	410	AER	2965	KZN	2990		0	CR2
1	2B	410	ASF	2966	KZN	2990		0	CR2
2	2B	410	ASF	2966	MRV	2962		0	CR2
3	2B	410	CEK	2968	KZN	2990		0	CR2
4	2B	410	CEK	2968	OVB	4078		0	CR2
5	2B	410	DME	4029	KZN	2990		0	CR2
6	2B	410	DME	4029	NBC	6969		0	CR2
7	2B	410	DME	4029	TGK	\N		0	CR2
8	2B	410	DME	4029	UUA	6160		0	CR2
9	2B	410	EGO	6156	KGD	2952		0	CR2
10	2B	410	EGO	6156	KZN	2990		0	CR2
11	2B	410	GYD	2922	NBC	6969		0	CR2
12	2B	410	KGD	2952	EGO	6156		0	CR2
13	2B	410	KZN	2990	AER	2965		0	CR2
14	2B	410	KZN	2990	ASF	2966		0	CR2
15	2B	410	KZN	2990	CEK	2968		0	CR2
16	2B	410	KZN	2990	DME	4029		0	CR2
17	2B	410	KZN	2990	EGO	6156		0	CR2
18	2B	410	KZN	2990	LED	2948		0	CR2
19	2B	410	KZN	2990	SVX	2975		0	CR2

Activity1.1: Understand the data

Column Description for airports.csv:

Name::	The name of the airport .(string)
City	The city the airport is located in .(string)
Country	The country the airport is located in.(string)
IATA	The International Air transport association code for the airport .(string)
ICAO	The International civil aviation organization code for the airport
Latitude	The latitude of the airport.(float)
longitude	The longitude of the airport.(Float)
Altitude	The altitude of the airport.(float)
Time zone:	The time zone of the airport.(string)
DST	The daylight savings time of the airport.(string)
T z database Time zone	The time zone of the airport in the T z database.(string)
Type	The type of airport (large-airport, medium-airport etc.).(string)
source	The source of the data.(string)

Column description for airlines.csv:

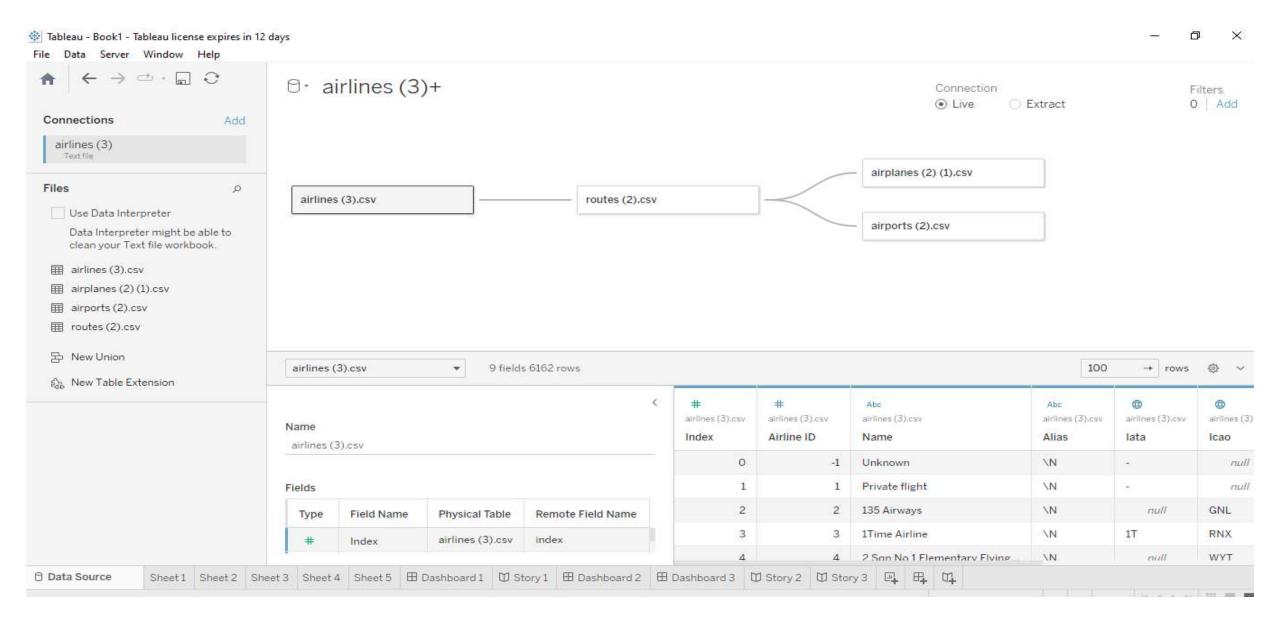| Name	The name of the airport.(string)
IATA Code	International Air Transport Association code ,a three-letter code used to identify airports.(string)
IACO code	International civil aviation organization code, a four –letter code used to identify airports .(string)

Column description for airlines.csv:

| Name	The name of the airport.(string)
IATA	The International Air Transport Association Code for the airport.(string)
IACO	
Country	The country the airport is located in.(string)
Alias	An alternate name for the airport.(string)
Callsign	The call sigh of the airline operating at the airport.(string)
Active	An alternate name for the airport.(string)

Column Description for routes.csv:
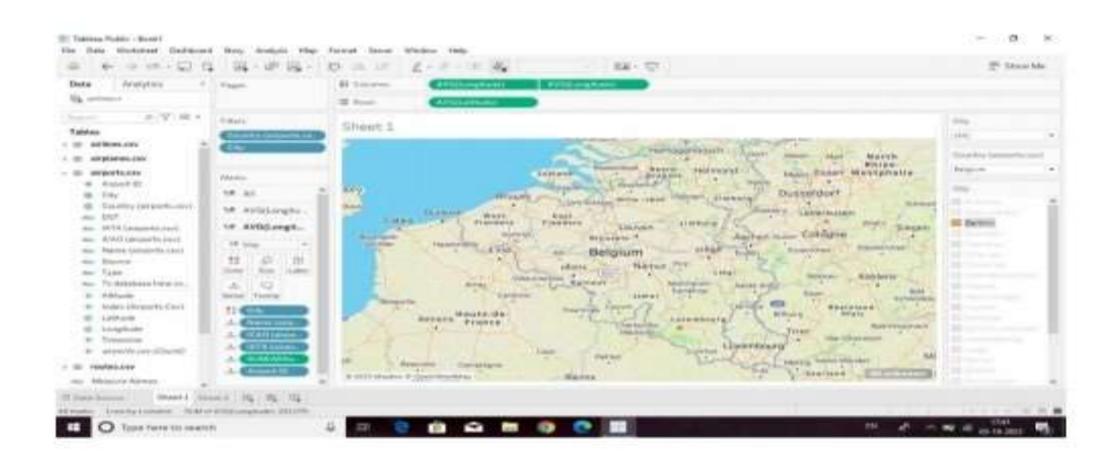
Airline	The name of the airline operating the route.(string)
Source airport	The IATA code of the airport to which the router is headed .(string)
Destination airport	The IARA code of the airport to which the route is headed.(string)
Codeshare	Indicates whether the route is operated by another airline under a codeshare agreement.(Boolean)
Stops	The number of stops on the route.9integer)
Equipment	The type of airport used on the route.(integer)

Activity 2: Connect datasets state& Country with tableau
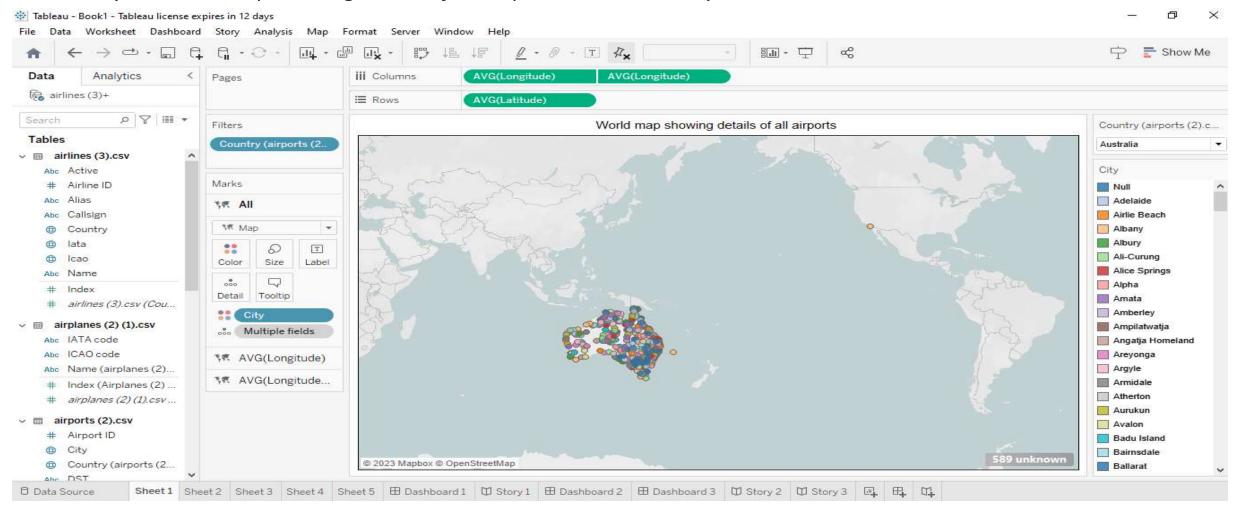
Milestone 3: Data preparation

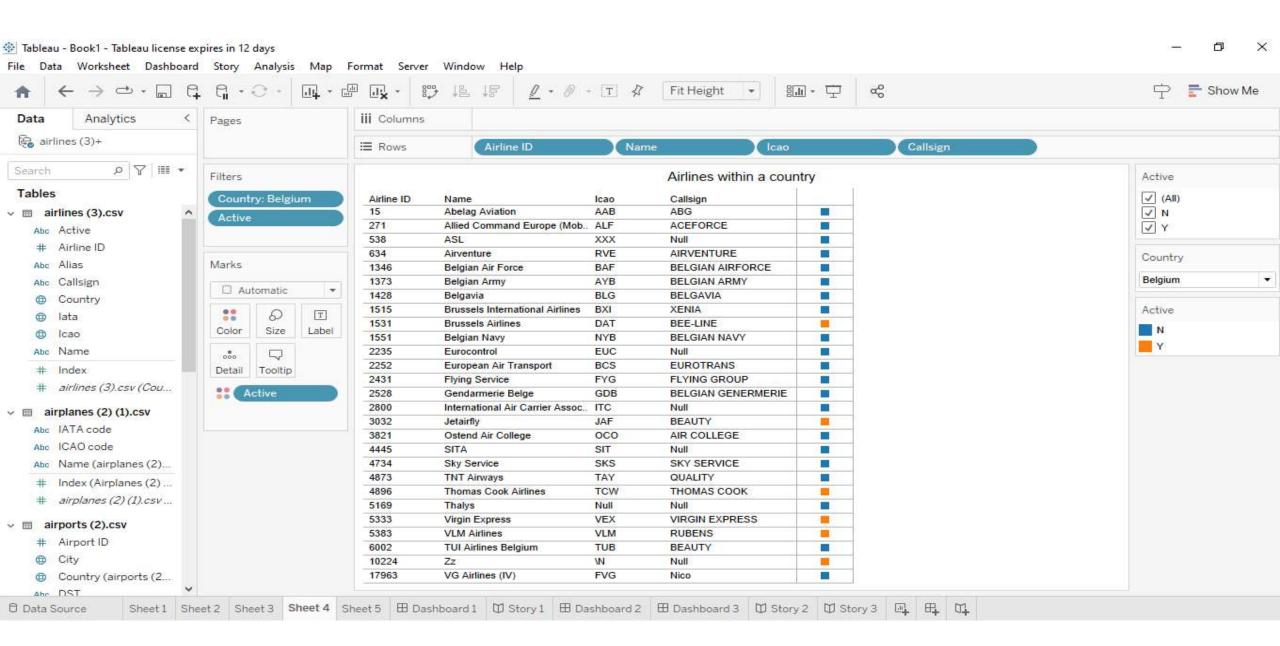Activity 1: Prepare the data for visualization

Milestone 4: Data visualization

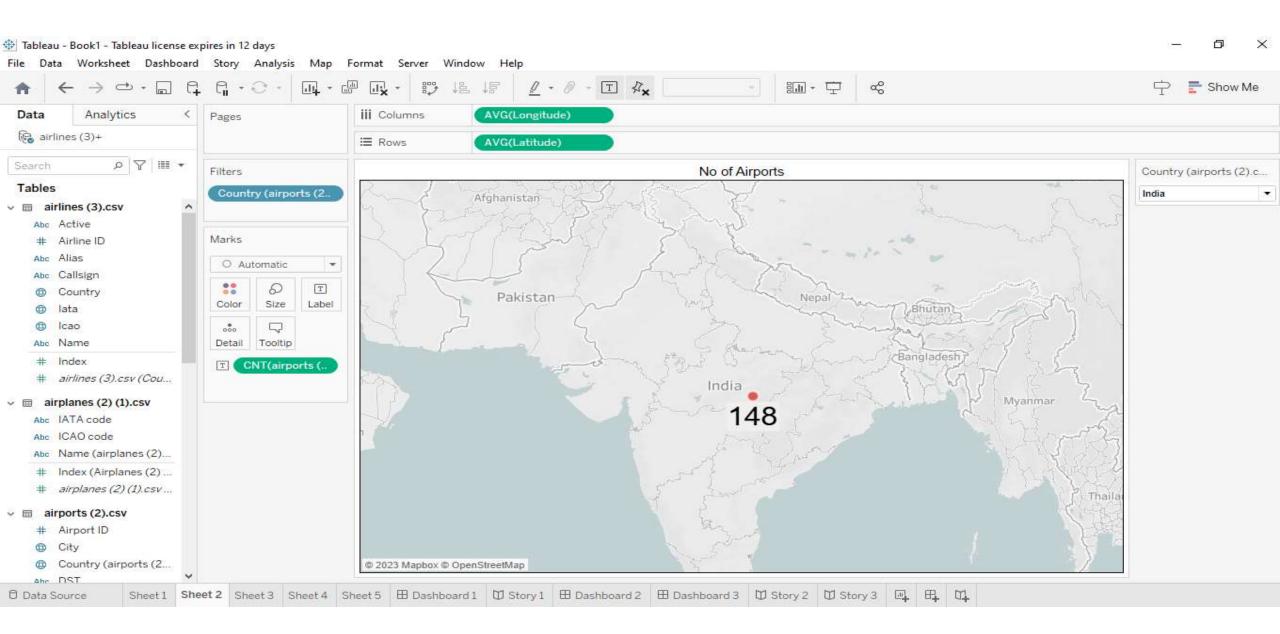Activity 1: No of Unique Visualizations

Activity1.1:World map showing details of all Airport within a country
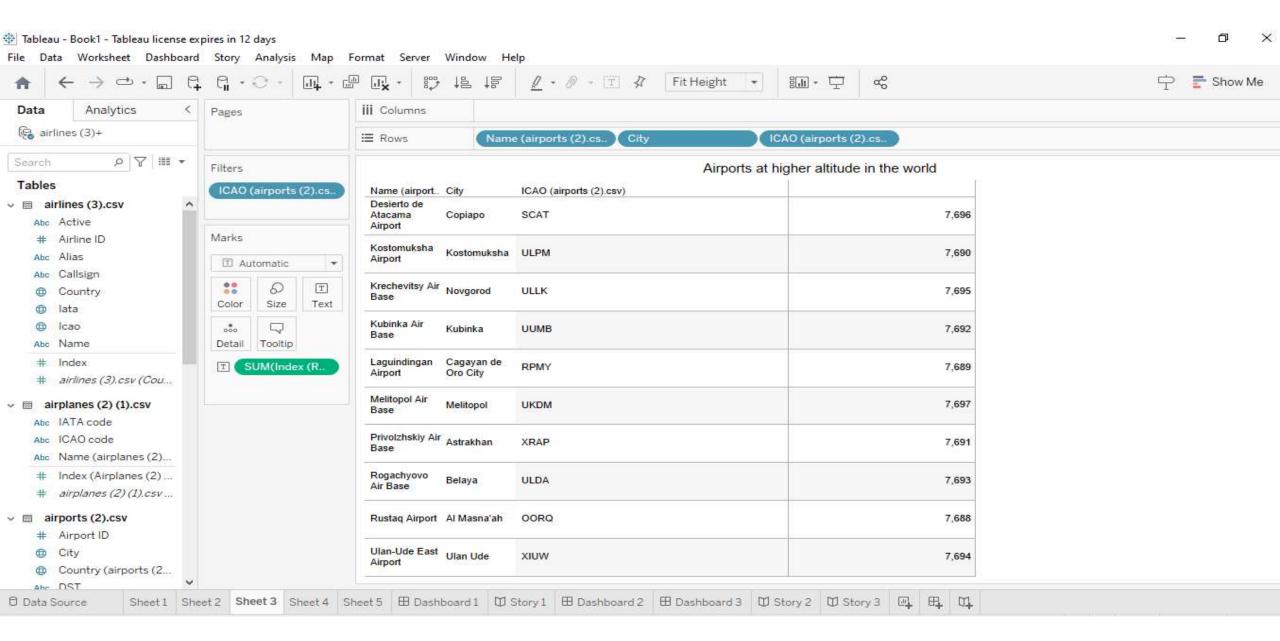
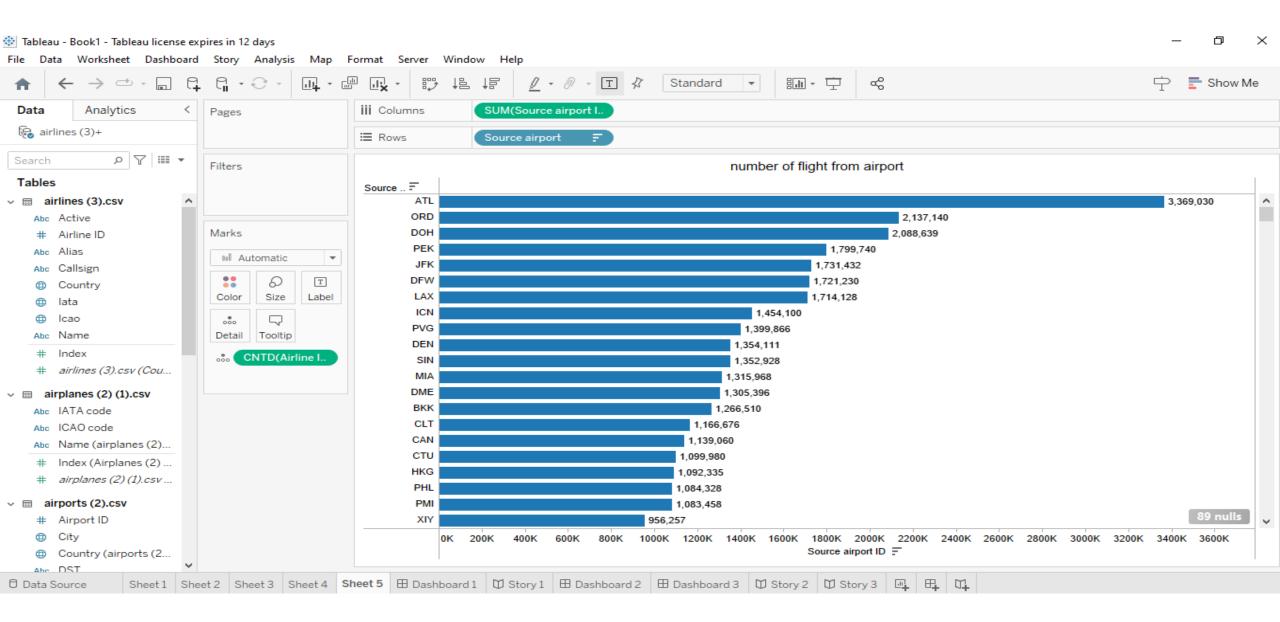# Activity1.2:Airline within a country
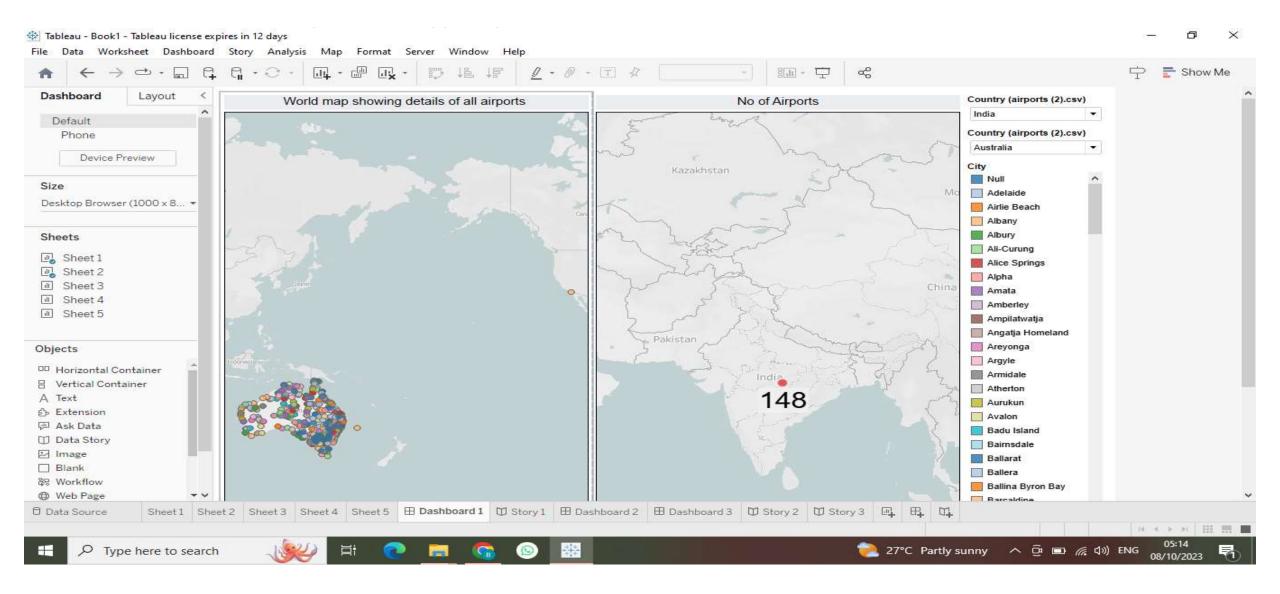
Activity 1.3 :Number of airports within the country

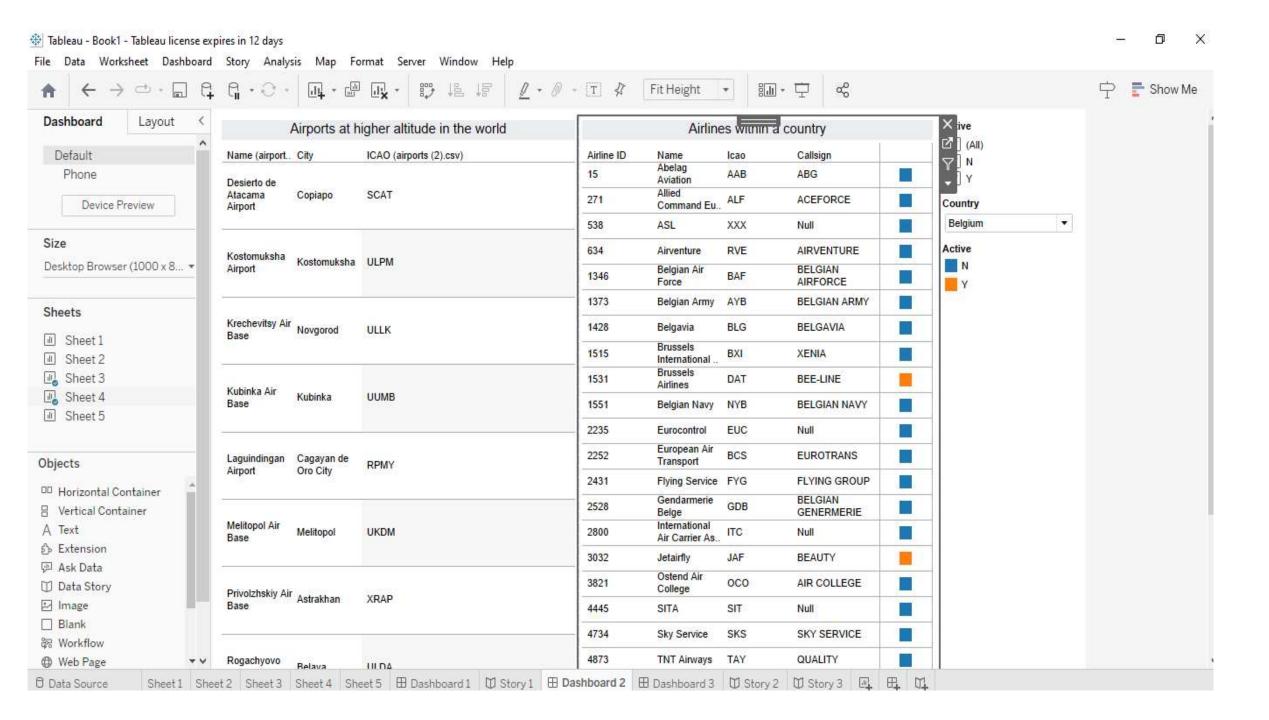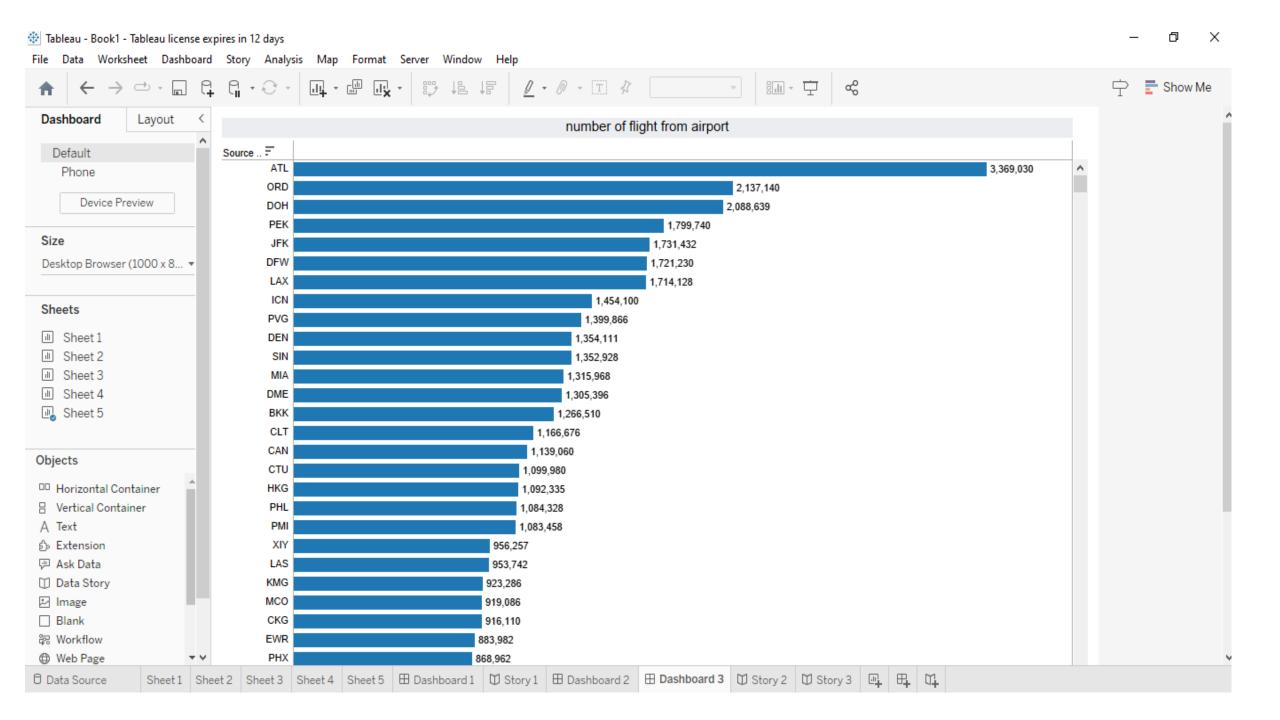# Activity 1.4:Airports at Higher altitude in the world

Activity1.5: Number of flights from airport

Milestone 5:Dashboard

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Airports at higher altitude in the world

Name (airport..	City	ICAO (airports (2).csv)
Desierto de Atacama Airport	Copiapo	SCAT
Kostomuksha Airport	Kostomuksha	ULPM
Krechevitsy Air Base	Novgorod	ULLK
Kubinka Air Base	Kubinka	UUMB
Laguindingan Airport	Cagayan de Oro City	RPMY
Melitopol Air Base	Melitopol	UKDM
Privolzhskiy Air Base	Astrakhan	XRAP
Rogachyovo	Belaya	ULDA

Airlines within a country

Airline ID	Name	Icao	Callsign	
15	Abelag Aviation	AAB	ABG	■
271	Allied Command Eu..	ALF	ACEFORCE	■
538	ASL	XXX	Null	■
634	Airventure	RVE	AIRVENTURE	■
1346	Belgian Air Force	BAF	BELGIAN AIRFORCE	■
1373	Belgian Army	AYB	BELGIAN ARMY	■
1428	Belgavia	BLG	BELGAVIA	■
1515	Brussels International ..	BXI	XENIA	■
1531	Brussels Airlines	DAT	BEE-LINE	■
1551	Belgian Navy	NYB	BELGIAN NAVY	■
2235	Eurocontrol	EUC	Null	■
2252	European Air Transport	BCS	EUROTRANS	■
2431	Flying Service	FYG	FLYING GROUP	■
2528	Gendarmerie Belge	GDB	BELGIAN GENERMERIE	■
2800	International Air Carrier As..	ITC	Null	■
3032	Jetairfly	JAF	BEAUTY	■
3821	Ostend Air College	OCO	AIR COLLEGE	■
4445	SITA	SIT	Null	■
4734	Sky Service	SKS	SKY SERVICE	■
4873	TNT Airways	TAY	QUALITY	■

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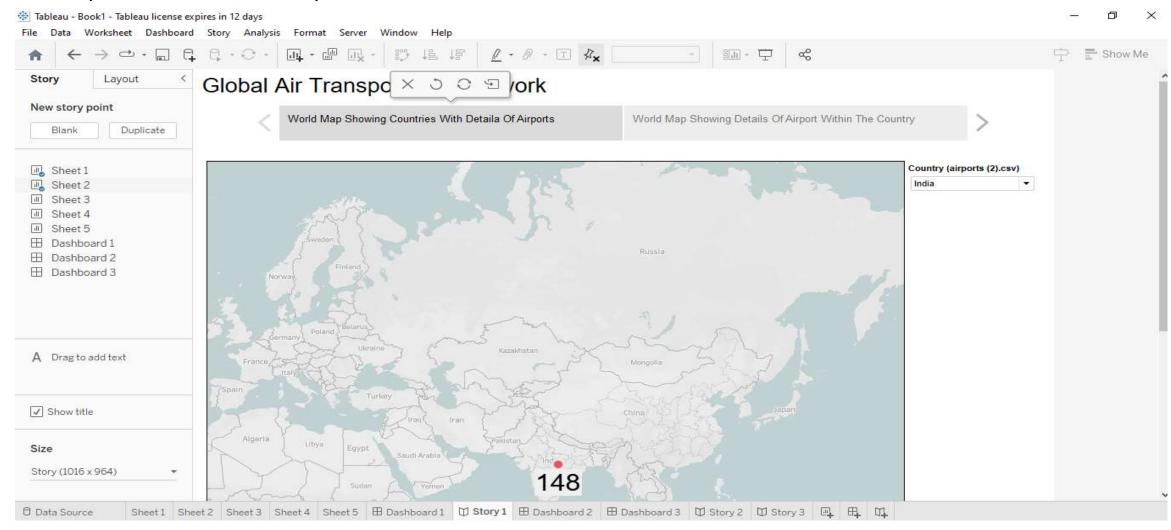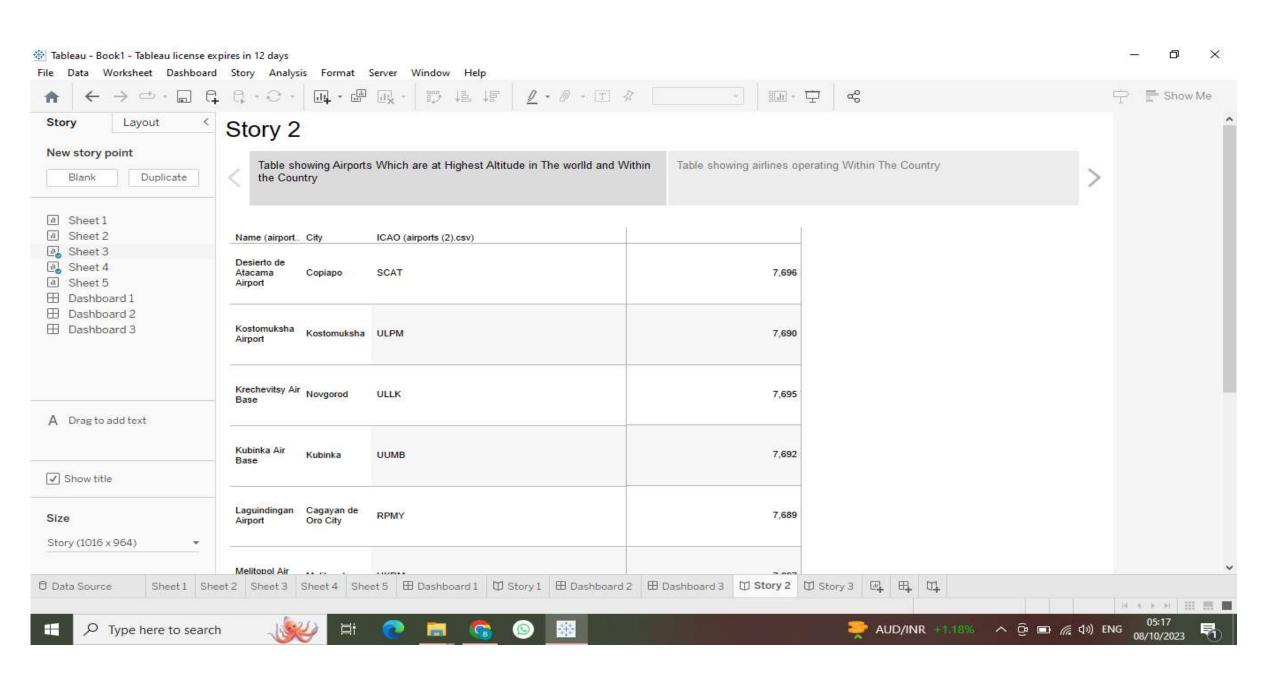
Milestone 6:Story

Activity1: no of scenes of story

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| Table showing Airports Which are at Highest Altitude in The worlld and Within the Country | Table showing airlines operating Within The Country |

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Name (airport..	City	ICAO (airports (2).csv)	
Desierto de Atacama Airport	Copiapo	SCAT	7,696
Kostomuksha Airport	Kostomuksha	ULPM	7,690
Krechevitsy Air Base	Novgorod	ULLK	7,695
Kubinka Air Base	Kubinka	UUMB	7,692
Laguindingan Airport	Cagayan de Oro City	RPMY	7,689
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Bar graphs Showing no.of flights from airpots and no.of airports within the country

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ORD	2,137,140
DOH	2,088,639
PEK	1,799,740
JFK	1,731,432
DFW	1,721,230
LAX	1,714,128
ICN	1,454,100
PVG	1,399,866
DEN	1,354,111
SIN	1,352,928
MIA	1,315,968
DME	1,305,396
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CTU	1,099,980
HKG	1,092,335
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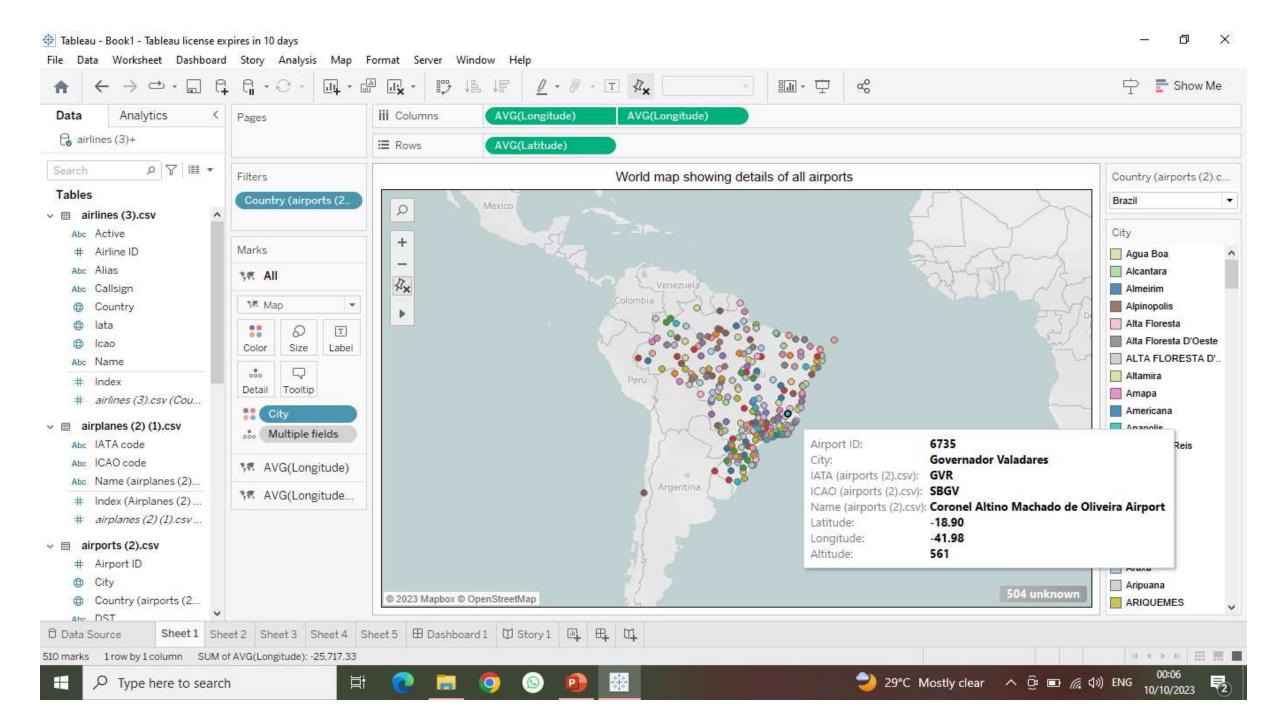
Milestone7:Perfomence Testing

Activity1:Amount of Data Rendered to tableau

Activity2:Utilization of filters

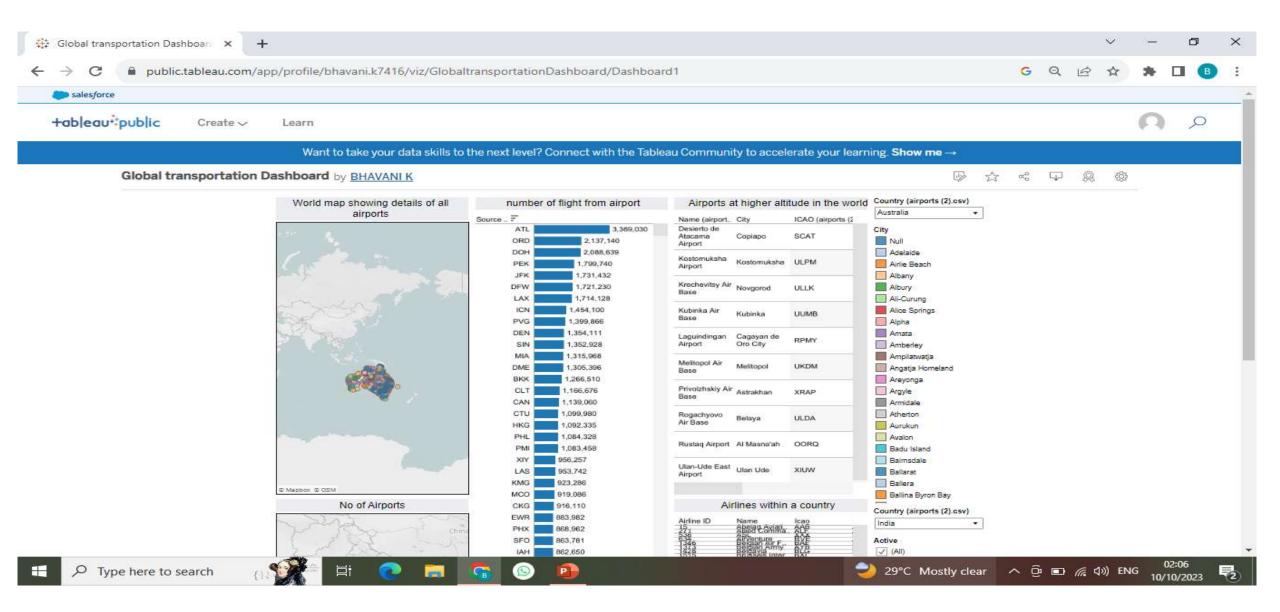# Activity 3: No of Calculation Fields

Tables

> ▦ **airlines.csv**

> ▦ **airplanes.csv**

> ▦ **airports.csv**

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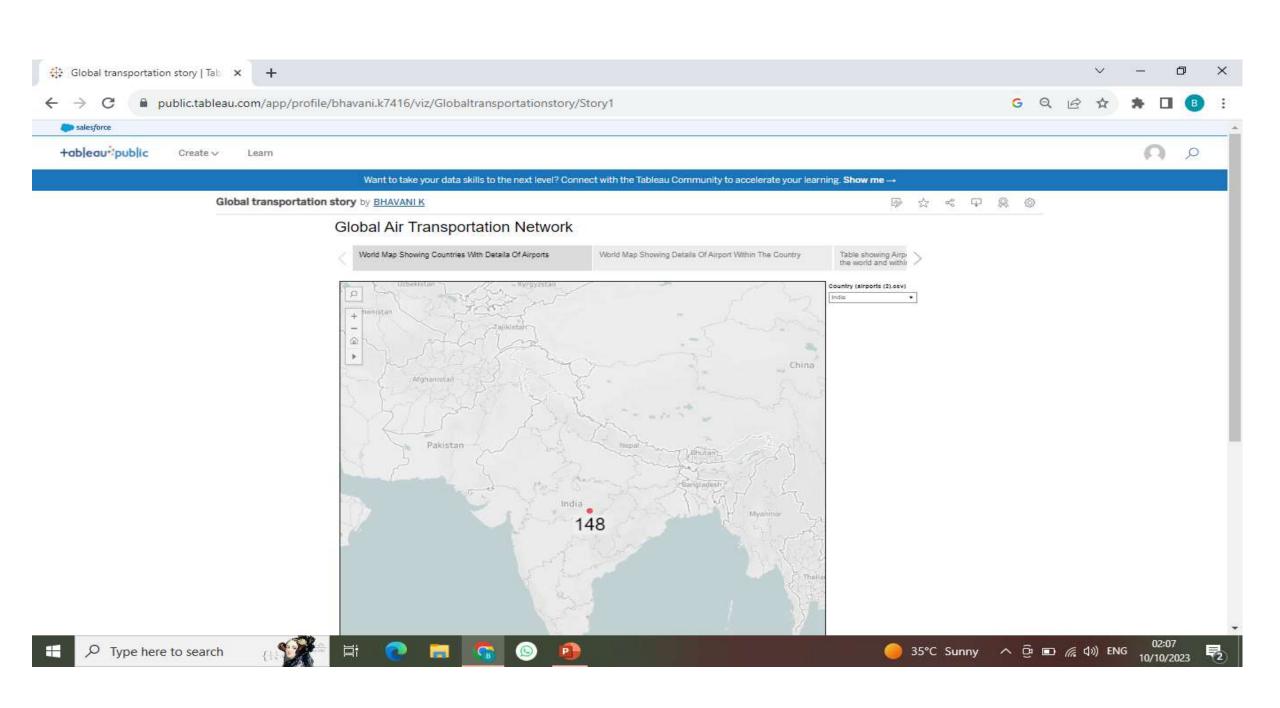⊕ *Latitude (generated)*

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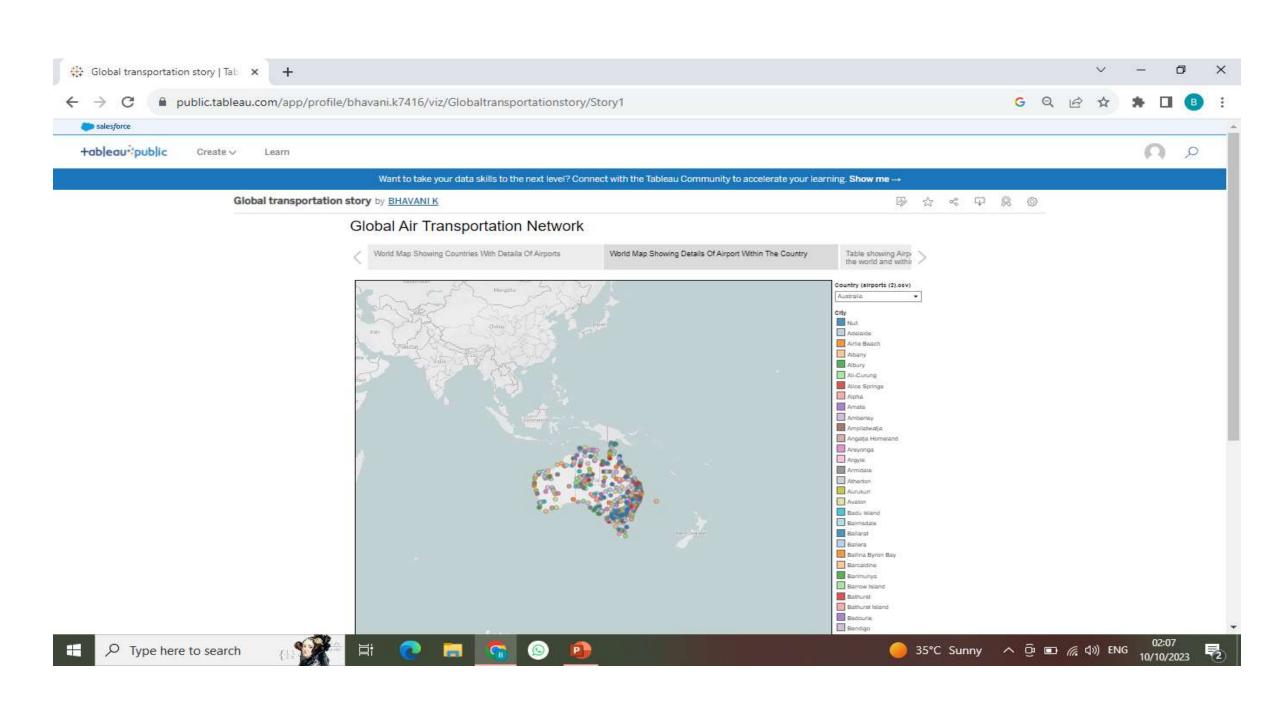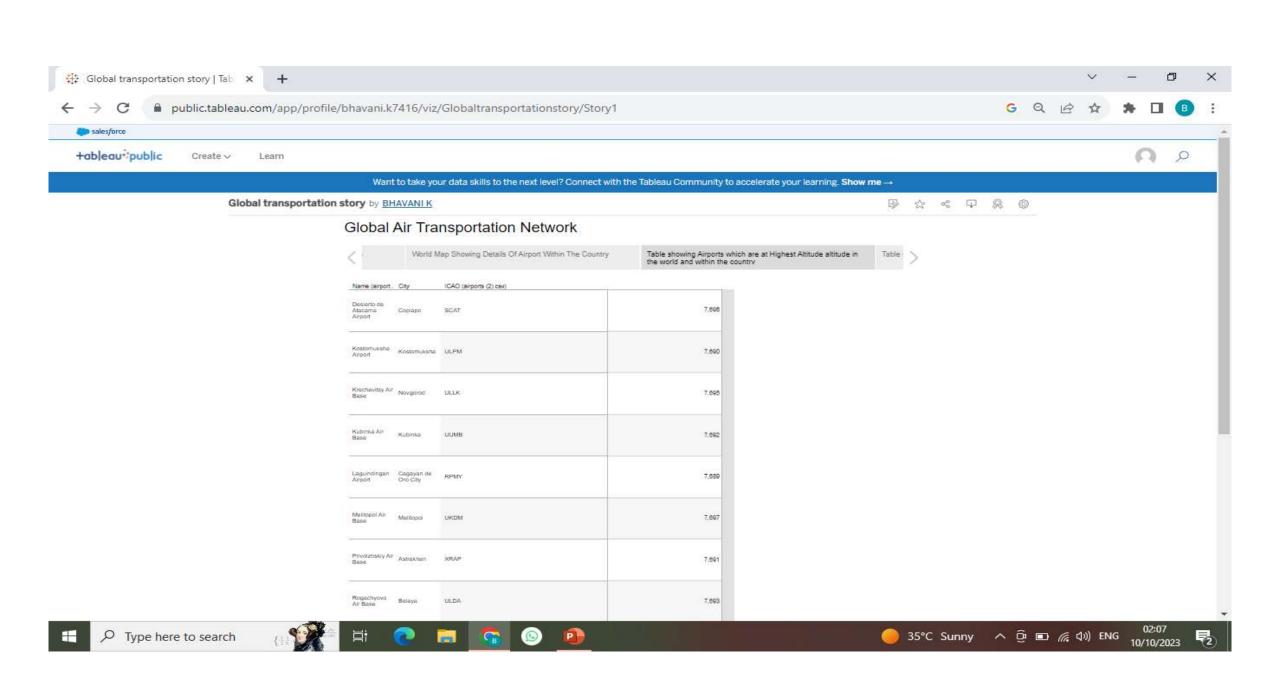|	
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Activity 4: No of Visualizations/ Graphs

1. World map showing details of airport within the country
2. Table showing airports at altitude within the country and in the world also
3. Table showing airlines operating within the country
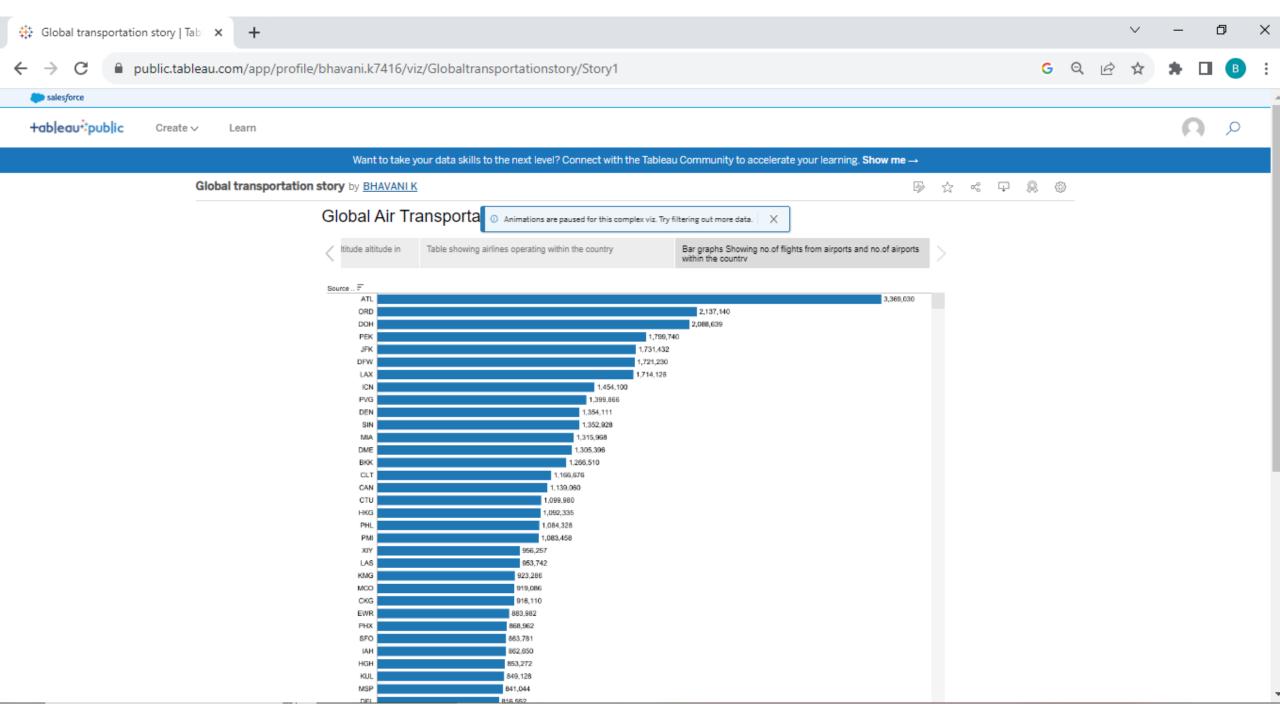4. Bar graphs showing number of flights from airports and number of airports within the country
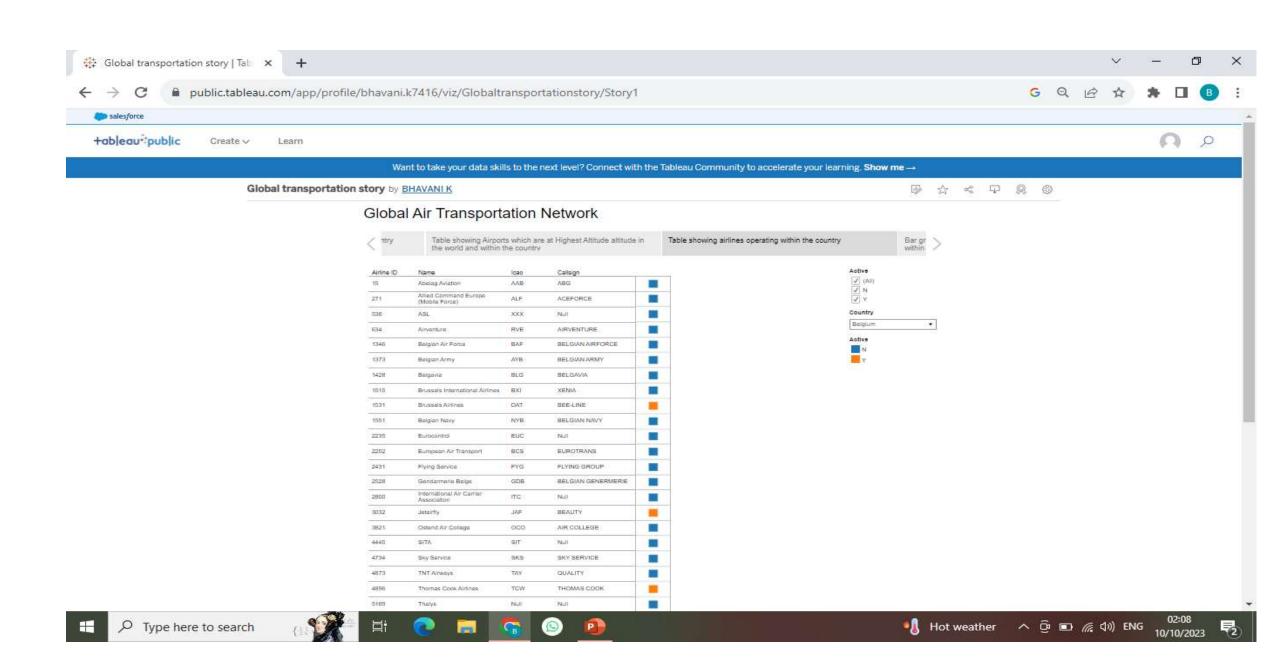
Milestone 8:Publishing

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ORD	2,137,140
DOH	2,088,639
PEK	1,799,740
JFK	1,731,432
DFW	1,721,230
LAX	1,714,128
ICN	1,454,100
PVG	1,399,866
DEN	1,354,111
SIN	1,352,928
MIA	1,315,968
DME	1,305,396
BKK	1,266,510
CLT	1,166,676
CAN	1,139,060
CTU	1,099,980
HKG	1,092,335
PHL	1,084,328
PMI	1,083,458
XIY	956,257
LAS	953,742
KMG	923,286
MCO	919,086
CKG	916,110
EWR	883,982
PHX	868,962
SFO	863,781
IAH	862,650
HGH	853,272
KUL	849,128
MSP	841,044
DEL	816,552

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	Table showing Airports which are at Highest Altitude altitude in the world and within the country		Table showing airlines operating within the country		Bar gr within

Airline ID	Name	Icao	Callsign	
15	Abelag Aviation	AAB	ABG	■
271	Allied Command Europe (Mobile Force)	ALF	ACEFORCE	■
536	ASL	XXX	Null	■
634	Airventure	RVE	AIRVENTURE	■
1346	Belgian Air Force	BAF	BELGIAN AIRFORCE	■
1373	Belgian Army	AYB	BELGIAN ARMY	■
1428	Belgavia	BLG	BELGAVIA	■
1515	Brussels International Airlines	BXI	XENIA	■
1531	Brussels Airlines	DAT	BEE-LINE	■
1551	Belgian Navy	NYB	BELGIAN NAVY	■
2235	Eurocontrol	EUC	Null	■
2252	European Air Transport	BCS	EUROTRANS	■
2431	Flying Service	FYG	FLYING GROUP	■
2528	Gendarmerie Belge	GDB	BELGIAN GENERMERIE	■
2800	International Air Carrier Association	ITC	Null	■
3032	Jetairfly	JAF	BEAUTY	■
3821	Ostend Air College	OCO	AIR COLLEGE	■
4448	SITA	SIT	Null	■
4734	Sky Service	SKS	SKY SERVICE	■
4873	TNT Airways	TAY	QUALITY	■
4896	Thomas Cook Airlines	TCW	THOMAS COOK	■
5169	Thalys	Null	Null	■

Active
- ☑ (All)
- ☑ N
- ☑ Y

Country
Belgium ▼

Active
- ■ N
- ■ Y

Milestone 9: Project Demonstration & documentation

Activity 1: Record explanation video for project end to end solution

Activity 2: Project documentation-step by step project development procedure

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Advantages of Air Transport:

Speed and Efficiency: One of the key advantages of air transport is its unparalleled speed. Airplanes can cover long distances in a matter of hours, enabling businesses to deliver goods quickly, especially for time-sensitive orders. This swift transportation option is particularly beneficial for industries such as e-commerce, pharmaceuticals, and perishable goods.

Global Reach

Air transport provides extensive global coverage, connecting businesses to various destinations around the world. It allows companies to expand their customer base and reach new markets, irrespective of geographical barriers. This enables businesses to tap into international opportunities and access a broader range of customers.

Reliable Timelines

Air transport operates on fixed schedules, ensuring reliable timelines for delivery. Airlines maintain strict adherence to departure and arrival times, minimizing delays and enhancing supply chain efficiency. This reliability is crucial for businesses that require precise order preparation and fulfillment to meet customer expectations.

Reduced Inventory Holding Costs

The fast transit times offered by air transport help reduce inventory holding costs. With shorter lead times, businesses can maintain lower inventory levels while still meeting customer demands. This frees up working capital and minimizes storage expenses, contributing to overall cost savings.

Enhanced Security

Air transport offers enhanced security measures compared to other modes of transportation. Airports have stringent security protocols in place to ensure the safety of cargo, including thorough screening processes and restricted access. This helps protect valuable and sensitive products during transit, reducing the risk of theft or damage.

Disadvantages of Air Transport

Higher Cost

One of the significant drawbacks of air transport is its higher cost compared to other modes, such as sea or land transport. Air freight charges are generally higher due to factors like fuel costs, infrastructure investments, and handling fees. Businesses must carefully evaluate the cost-benefit analysis of air transport based on their specific needs and budget.

Limited Capacity

Airplanes have limited cargo space compared to ships or trains. This limited capacity can pose challenges for businesses dealing with bulky or oversized shipments. Air transport is best suited for high-value, time-sensitive goods that require swift delivery, rather than large-volume shipments.

Restrictions on Hazardous Goods

Air transport has strict regulations regarding the transportation of hazardous goods. Certain hazardous materials or substances may be prohibited from being transported by air due to safety concerns. Businesses dealing with such goods need to comply with stringent regulations and find alternative transportation methods if necessary.

Understanding the advantages and disadvantages of air transport is crucial for businesses seeking efficient order preparation and global shipping solutions. The speed, global reach, reliable timelines, reduced inventory holding costs, and enhanced security make air transport an attractive option for many companies. However, it is essential to consider the higher cost and limited capacity associated with air transport.

For expert guidance and comprehensive logistics solutions, consider partnering with IFS International Logistics Operator. With their extensive experience in air freight and supply chain management, they can provide tailored solutions to optimize your order preparation and ensure seamless transportation. Contact IFS International Logistics Operator today to discuss your logistics requirements and discover how they can enhance your supply chain operations.

Conclusion

Finally, the air transport sector has become very challenging and complex with an ever increasing demand for both technical and managerial skills. There is a general lack of sufficiently trained human resources in the region, given the rapid expansion of air services. One instrument to address this issue could be the ACIICAO Airport Management Professional Accreditation Programme (AMPAP), which is a well-structured training course that can be undertaken by airport professionals in a three year period while continuing in their professions.

Future scope

Emerging technologies are reshaping with robotics, artificial intelligence, the internet of things, unmanned aircraft systems and the push for hybrid and electric airplanes – just to name a few. Alternative fuels can significantly change the current scenario of aviation in support of the environmental protection.

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