EAS 503-JLI - Python for Data Scientists - Project Report

**Crime Trends and Incarceration Analysis** 

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1. Dataset Collection and Justification

The project aims to analyze crime trends and incarceration data to provide valuable insights into criminal

behavior, juvenile crime trends, and the relationship between prison capacity and inmate populations.

**Dataset Characteristics** 

The data includes crime statistics, categorized by different crimes such as murder, rape, theft, and

robbery, along with demographic variables such as age and gender. The dataset also incorporates prison

statistics, such as inmate populations and facility capacities, spanning over 15 years.

**Dataset Size:** 

**Dimensions**: The dataset contains multiple categories, with data spanning 15 years.

Format: The dataset was processed and visualized using tables, graphs, and scatter plots.

**Key Characteristics:** 

Numerical Data: Covers crime counts (e.g., number of murders, thefts) and demographics (e.g.,

age, gender).

Categorical Data: Includes crime types and demographic information such as age groups, gender,

prison capacity, and inmate populations.

Relevance:

The dataset offers insights into age-wise crime patterns, helping to analyze how crime rates differ

by age group.

It highlights the efficiency of the judicial system and provides valuable data for predictive

analysis in law enforcement and corrections planning.

2. Data Wrangling and Cleaning

Data cleaning was a crucial part of preparing the dataset for analysis. The following key steps were undertaken:

- **Missing Data Handling**: Identified and removed missing or inconsistent data points from key columns like **age**, **crime type**, and **gender**.
- Standardization of Formats: The numerical variables were normalized to ensure uniformity, making the data easier to analyze.
- Encoding Categorical Variables: Categorical variables like crime type and gender were encoded for statistical analysis, making them compatible with machine learning models.

These steps ensured that the data was cleaned, consistent, and ready for further analysis and visualization.

## 3. Visual Analysis and Observations

The project includes several visualizations to better understand the trends and patterns in the data: Crime

#### Data by Age Group

• Observation: The data shows that murder is the most dominant crime in the 18-30 age group, followed by rape and attempted murder. Theft and robbery are significantly less frequent in comparison. This suggests that violent crimes are more prevalent in this age group than property crimes.

## **Youth Crime Trends (16-18 Age Group)**

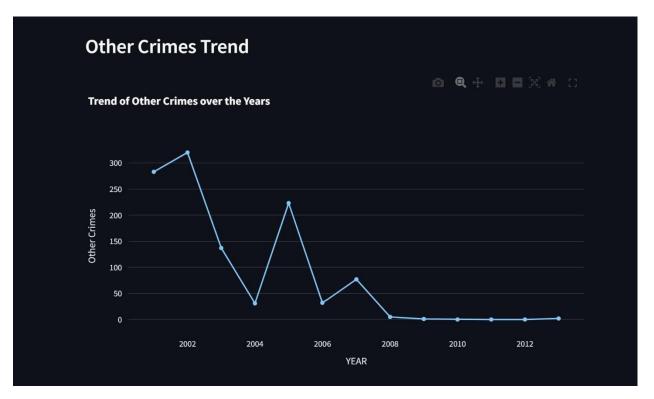
- Observation: The graph reveals a sharp decline in youth crime from 2001 to 2008, with a slight uptick in 2013. This could suggest improvements in law enforcement or judicial practices, or it could indicate broader social changes that reduced juvenile crime. Prison Capacity vs. Inmate Population
- Observation: A strong correlation was observed between prison capacity and inmate populations, both for male and female inmates. This highlights that capacity constraints play a major role in the total number of inmates housed, indicating that many facilities are nearing or operating at full capacity.

#### Interactive Crime Dashboard Overview:

The dashboard is built using **Streamlit** and provides a dynamic way to visualize crime trends across various categories over the years. Users can select crime categories (e.g., **Other Crimes**, **Personal/Violent Crimes**, **Property/Financial Crimes**) via a dropdown menu. The selected category is displayed as a **Plotly line chart**, showing the trend over the years. Additionally, separate charts for each crime type and the **Grand Total Trends** are available for deeper analysis. This allows for a flexible, user-driven exploration of the crime data. The **data overview** table further aids users in understanding the underlying dataset.



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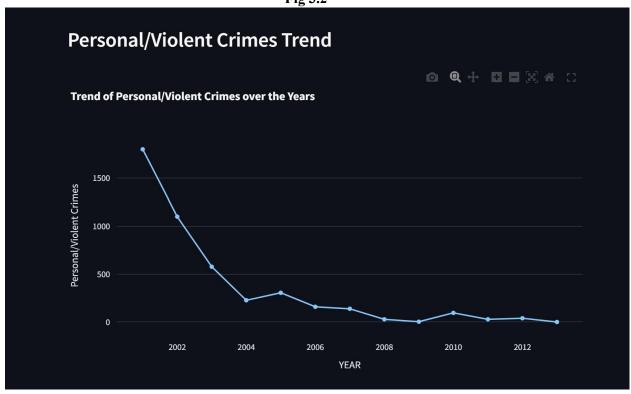
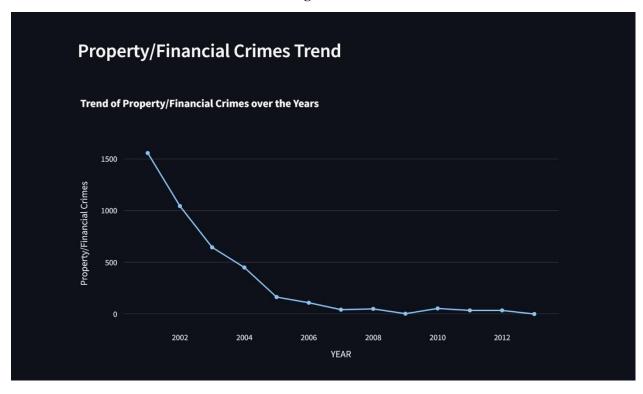


Fig 3.3



**Fig 3.4** 

These visualizations provide essential insights into the relationship between crime trends, youth involvement, and the challenges faced by correctional institutions.

## 4. SQL Database Design and Analysis

To facilitate efficient querying and analysis, the dataset was structured into a **normalized SQL schema**:

- Foreign Key Relationships: These relationships were created between crime categories and demographic data, allowing us to perform more complex queries and analyses.
- The database design ensures that the dataset can be efficiently queried for deeper insights and can be extended for future analysis.

Table Name	Role	Description	
States	Dimension Stores unique names o with <b>state_id</b> as PK.		

AgeGroup	Fact	Stores age-wise distribution of inmates by state and year.
JailCapacity	Fact	Tracks capacity, population, and details of jails.
Escapees	Fact	Tracks prison escape details, including re-arrests.
IPC_Crime_UnderTrial	Fact	Details of inmates under trial for IPC crimes.
IPC_Crime_Convicted	Fact	Details of inmates convicted for IPC crimes.

Table	Primary Key Foreign Keys		
States	state_id	None	
AgeGroup	agegroup_id	state_id (FK to States)	
JailCapacity	jail_id	state_id (FK to States)	
Escapees	escapee_id	state_id (FK to States)	
IPC_Crime_UnderTrial	undertrial_id	state_id (FK to States)	
IPC_Crime_Convicted	convicted_id	state_id (FK to States)	

# Normalization (1NF, 2NF, 3NF)

• 1NF: All values are atomic, no repeating groups.

- **2NF**: Each table's non-key attributes depend only on the primary key. There are no partial dependencies because we use a single unique **Primary Key**
- **3NF**: No transitive dependencies exist.

## **Data Import Process**

During this process we have loaded data from **CSV files** into the **6 tables** in the database. While most of the tables (**AgeGroup, JailCapacity, Escapees, IPC\_Crime\_UnderTrial, IPC\_Crime\_Convicted**) are directly populated using Oracle APEX's Data Load Wizard, the **States** table is populated using a **TempStates** table to ensure data integrity and uniqueness of state names.

The following CSV files were used to populate the database:

- · agegroup.csv
- population\_and\_capacity\_of\_jails.csv
- inmates escapee.csv
- · ipc\_crime\_inmates\_under\_trial.csv
- · ipc crime inmates convicted.csv

**Problem**: The data for **state\_name** is scattered across **5 CSV files**, not in a single file.

**Solution**: To avoid duplicating **state names** from multiple files, all unique **state names** from the 5 CSV files are loaded into a temporary table called **TempStates** which allows us for a **centralized point** to extract unique state names and avoid duplicates.

**TempStates** serves as a **staging table** to consolidate, clean, and filter the list of unique state names before populating the **States** table.

```
CREATE GLOBAL TEMPORARY TABLE TempStates (

state_name VARCHAR2(255),

is_state NUMBER(1)

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```

Fig 4.1: SQL Query to create TempStates

Once all the CSV files are loaded into **TempStates**, **distinct state names** are extracted and inserted into the **States** table.

```
INSERT INTO States (state_name, is_state)

SELECT DISTINCT UPPER(TRIM(state_name)), is_state

FROM TempStates

WHERE state_name IS NOT NULL

AND UPPER(TRIM(state_name)) NOT IN (SELECT UPPER(TRIM(state_name)) FROM States);
```

Fig 4.2: SQL Query to Insert Unique States Fact

#### and Dimension Tables

## Why 6 Tables?

We created 6 tables because it provides better query performance and helps to normalize the data. These 6 tables follows the **Star Schema** approach, which separates **Fact** tables from **Dimension** tables. **States** (**Dimension**): Provides lookup for state names and IDs.

Fact Tables (5 Tables): Stores measurable and quantitative data.

**AgeGroup**: Tracks inmate age-group distribution.

JailCapacity: Tracks jail capacity for each state.

**Escapees**: Tracks escape details.

IPC Crime UnderTrial: Details for under-trial inmates.

**IPC\_Crime\_Convicted**: Details for convicted inmates.

## **Dimension Tables (1 Table):**

States: Lookup table for state names, state\_id is the primary key used as a foreign key in Fact Tables.

## FACT TABLES 1.

AgeGroup:

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     CREATE TABLE AgeGroup (
         agegroup_id NUMBER GENERATED BY DEFAULT AS IDENTITY PRIMARY KEY,
          state_id NUMBER NOT NULL,
         year NUMBER NOT NULL,
          category VARCHAR2(255) NOT NULL,
          type VARCHAR2(255) NOT NULL,
         gender VARCHAR2(10) NOT NULL,
         age_16_18 NUMBER,
         age_18_30 NUMBER,
         age_30_50 NUMBER,
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         age_50_above NUMBER,
         CONSTRAINT fk_agegroup_state FOREIGN KEY (state_id) REFERENCES States(state_id)
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     );
```

Fig 4.3: SQL Query to create AgeGroup

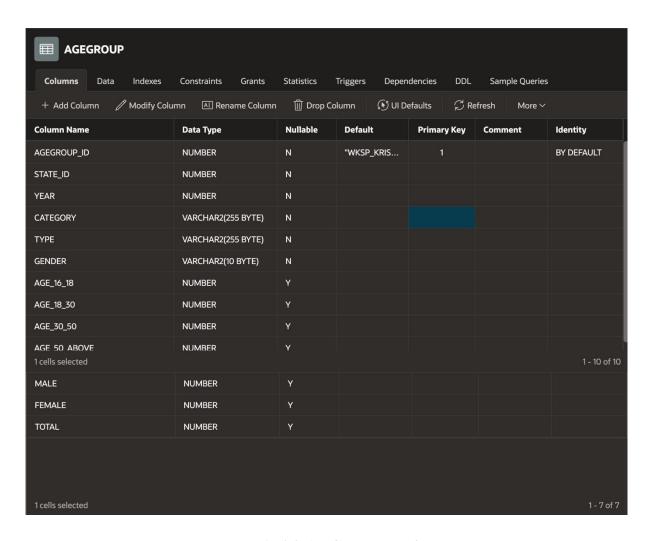


Fig 4.4: AgeGroup Table 2.

## JailCapacity:

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CREATE TABLE JailCapacity (

jail_id NUMBER GENERATED BY DEFAULT AS IDENTITY PRIMARY KEY,

state_id NUMBER NOT NULL,

year NUMBER NOT NULL,

type_of_jail VARCHAR2(255) NOT NULL,

number_of_jails NUMBER,

capacity_male NUMBER,

capacity_female NUMBER,

total_capacity NUMBER,

population_male NUMBER,

population_female NUMBER,

total_population NUMBER,

CONSTRAINT fk_jailcapacity_state FOREIGN KEY (state_id) REFERENCES States(state_id)

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Fig 4.5: SQL Query to create JailCapacity

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Fig 4.6: JailCapacity Table

## 3. Escapees:

```
CREATE TABLE Escapees (

escapee_id NUMBER GENERATED BY DEFAULT AS IDENTITY PRIMARY KEY,

state_id NUMBER NOT NULL,

year NUMBER NOT NULL,

detail VARCHAR2(255) NOT NULL,

male NUMBER,

female NUMBER,

total NUMBER,

CONSTRAINT fk_escapees_state FOREIGN KEY (state_id) REFERENCES States(state_id)

);
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Fig 4.7: SQL Query to create Escapees

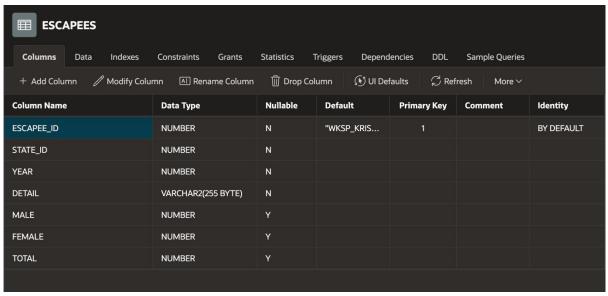


Fig 4.8: Escapees Table 4.

## **IPC\_Crime\_UnderTrial**:

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      CREATE TABLE IPC_Crime_UnderTrial (
          undertrial_id NUMBER GENERATED BY DEFAULT AS IDENTITY PRIMARY KEY,
          state_id NUMBER NOT NULL,
           year NUMBER NOT NULL,
          crime_head VARCHAR2(255) NOT NULL,
          male_16_18 NUMBER,
          female_16_18 NUMBER,
          total_16_18 NUMBER,
          male_18_30 NUMBER,
          female_18_30 NUMBER,
          total_18_30 NUMBER,
          male_30_50 NUMBER,
          female_30_50 NUMBER,
          total_30_50 NUMBER,
          male_above_50 NUMBER,
           female_above_50 NUMBER,
          total_above_50 NUMBER,
          total_male NUMBER,
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          total_female NUMBER,
          grand_total NUMBER,
           CONSTRAINT fk_undertrial_state FOREIGN KEY (state_id) REFERENCES States(state_id)
```

Fig 4.9: SQL Query to create IPC\_Crime\_UnderTrial

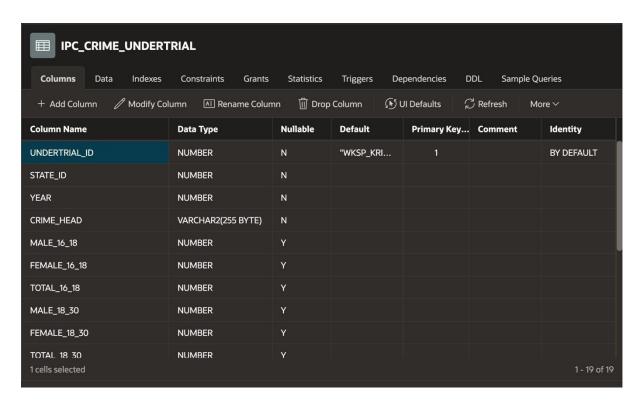


Fig 4.10: IPC\_Crime\_UnderTrial Table 5.

## IPC\_Crime\_Convicted:

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CREATE TABLE IPC_Crime_Convicted (
    convicted_id NUMBER GENERATED BY DEFAULT AS IDENTITY PRIMARY KEY,
    state_id NUMBER NOT NULL,
    year NUMBER NOT NULL,
    crime_head VARCHAR2(255) NOT NULL,
    male_16_18 NUMBER,
    female_16_18 NUMBER,
    total_16_18 NUMBER,
    male_18_30 NUMBER,
    female_18_30 NUMBER,
    total_18_30 NUMBER,
    male_30_50 NUMBER,
    female_30_50 NUMBER,
    total_30_50 NUMBER,
    male_above_50 NUMBER,
    female_above_50 NUMBER,
    total_above_50 NUMBER,
    total_male NUMBER,
    total_female NUMBER,
    grand_total NUMBER,
    CONSTRAINT fk_convicted_state FOREIGN KEY (state_id) REFERENCES States(state_id)
```

Fig 4.11: SQL Query to create IPC\_Crime\_Convicted

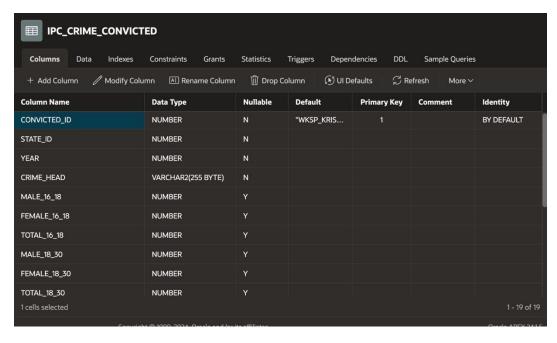


Fig 4.12: IPC\_Crime\_Convicted Table

## **DIMENSION TABLES**

**States:** 

```
CREATE TABLE States (

state_id NUMBER GENERATED BY DEFAULT AS IDENTITY PRIMARY KEY,

state_name VARCHAR2(255) UNIQUE NOT NULL,

is_state NUMBER(1) NOT NULL

);

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```

Fig 4.13: SQL Query to create States

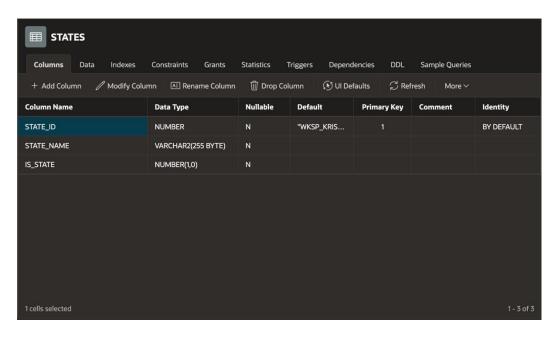


Fig 4.14: States Table

# **SQL QUERIES AND ANALYSIS**

Here are a few SQL examples:

Query 1: Count of Inmates by State and Age Group

```
SELECT States.state_name,

SUM(AgeGroup.age_18_30) AS Age_18_30,

SUM(AgeGroup.age_30_50) AS Age_30_50

FROM AgeGroup

JOIN States ON AgeGroup.state_id = States.state_id

GROUP BY States.state_name;
```

Fig 4.15: SQL Query

# Query 2: Total Jail Capacity per State

```
SELECT States.state_name,

SUM(JailCapacity.total_capacity) AS Total_Capacity

FROM JailCapacity

JOIN States ON JailCapacity.state_id = States.state_id

GROUP BY States.state_name;
```

Fig 4.15: SQL Query

#### 5. Conclusions and Future Work

This project has provided valuable insights into crime and incarceration trends. The key findings include:

- **Demographic insights** revealing that **violent crime** is more prevalent among younger age groups.
- A **strong correlation** between prison capacity and the total inmate population, emphasizing the challenges of overcrowding in prisons.

## **Future Work:**

- **Predictive Modeling**: Incorporating machine learning techniques to model future crime trends and predict factors influencing incarceration rates.
- **Policy Impact Evaluation**: Exploring the effects of different law enforcement and correctional policies on crime rates and prison populations.

By extending this analysis, future work could provide even deeper insights into the factors that influence crime rates and the operation of correctional facilities, helping policymakers improve crime prevention and correctional management.