



Project Title: Customer Segmentation and Car Preference Analysis for Optimizing Marketing Strategy A Case Study of Austo Motor Company

Domain: Automotive & Marketing Analytics

Tools Used – Python (Numpy, Pandas, Matplotlib Library, Seaborn Library)

Objective:

To analyze the automobile market data of Austo Motor Company to identify customer segments, understand preferences for car models (SUV, Sedan, Hatchback), uncover key behavioral and income-based trends, and provide actionable strategies to improve marketing efficiency, increase sales, and align product offerings with buyer expectations.

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Austo Motor Company is a leading car manufacturer specializing in SUV, Sedan, and Hatchback models. In its

recent board meeting, concerns were raised by the members on the efficiency of the marketing campaign

currently being used. The board decides to rope in analytics professional to improve the existing campaign.

Imported the libraries for the Data are

Numpy

Pandas

Matplotlib

Seaborn

1. There are some information about the dataset, decision makers should have a look.

The dataset is having 1581 rows and 14 columns.

There is a look on the 5 sample rows to check the data type.

Age	Gender	Profession	Marital_status	Education	No_of_Dependents	Personal_loan	House_loan	Partner_working	Salary	Partner_salary	Total_salary	Price	Make
53	Male	Business	Married	Post Graduate	4	No	No	Yes	99300	70700.0	170000	61000	SUV
53	Femal	Salaried	Married	Post Graduate	4	Yes	No	Yes	95500	70300.0	165800	61000	SUV
53	Female	Salaried	Married	Post Graduate	3	No	No	Yes	97300	60700.0	158000	57000	SUV
53	Female	Salaried	Married	Graduate	2	Yes	No	Yes	72500	70300.0	142800	61000	SUV
53	Male	Salaried	Married	Post Graduate	3	No	No	Yes	79700	60200.0	139900	57000	SUV

Table 1: Top five rows of the dataset

2. While having a look on the data set information, it is found that there are 6 numerical and 8 categorical variables. The below table contains the same information.

```
0  Age                1581 non-null  int64
1  Gender              1528 non-null  object
2  Profession          1581 non-null  object
3  Marital_status      1581 non-null  object
4  Education           1581 non-null  object
5  No_of_Dependents    1581 non-null  int64
6  Personal_loan       1581 non-null  object
7  House_loan          1581 non-null  object
8  Partner_working     1581 non-null  object
9  Salary              1581 non-null  int64
10 Partner_salary      1475 non-null  float64
11 Total_salary        1581 non-null  int64
12 Price               1581 non-null  int64
13 Make                1581 non-null  object
dtypes: float64(1), int64(5), object(8)
memory usage: 173.1+ KB
```

Table 2: Basic information of the data type

3. Checking the data information.

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0	53	Male	Business	Married	Post	Graduate	4			
1	53	Female	Salaried	Married	Post	Graduate	4			
2	53	Female	Salaried	Married	Post	Graduate	3			
3	53	Female	Salaried	Married		Graduate	2			
4	53	Male	Salaried	Married	Post	Graduate	3			
...			
1576	22	Male	Salaried	Single		Graduate	2			
1577	22	Male	Business	Married		Graduate	4			
1578	22	Male	Business	Single		Graduate	2			
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Table 3: Basic information of the data

4. Checking the columns of the dataset, to get the name of the variables.

```
Gender
Gender
Male      1252
Female    329
Name: count, dtype: int64
```

```
Profession
Profession
Salaried   896
Business   685
Name: count, dtype: int64
```

```
Education
Education
Post Graduate  985
Graduate       596
Name: count, dtype: int64
```

```
Personal_loan
Personal_loan
Yes      792
No       789
Name: count, dtype: int64
```

```
House_loan
House_loan
No      1054
Yes     527
Name: count, dtype: int64
```

```
Partner_working
Partner_working
Yes      868
No       713
Name: count, dtype: int64
```

```
Make
Make
Sedan      702
Hatchback  582
SUV        297
Name: count, dtype: int64
```

```
Marital_status
Marital_status
Married    1443
Single     138
Name: count, dtype: int64
```

Table 4: Name of the columns present in the dataset

5. Checking the null values:

There are nulls in 'Gender' and 'Partner_salary' variables.

In 'Gender' it is found that there are total 53 null values.

In 'Partner_salary' it is found that there are total 106 null values.

```
: Age                0
   Gender            53
   Profession        0
   Marital_status    0
   Education         0
   No_of_Dependents  0
   Personal_loan     0
   House_loan        0
   Partner_working   0
   Salary            0
   Partner_salary    106
   Total_salary      0
   Price            0
   Make             0
   dtype: int64
```

Checking All the Columns & Values

Table 5: Inspecting null values in the dataset

In order to treat the nulls in the 'Partner_salary', we have checked where the 'Total_salary' is greater than 'Salary'.

Then we applied condition that,

1.If , 'Total_salary'>'salary' then, 'Partner_salary' = 'Total_salary'-'Salary'

2. If,'Total_salary >/'Salary' then,'Partner_salary' = 0

7. Checking the values count of 'Gender', and found that

```
# as we can also see that there are spelling mistake in the gender column which can be rectified as followed
df['Gender'] = df['Gender'].replace('Femal', 'Female')
df['Gender'] = df['Gender'].replace('Femle', 'Female')

# mode of gender
df['Gender'].mode()

0    Male
Name: Gender, dtype: object

# impute null values of gender with mode
df['Gender'] = df['Gender'].fillna(df['Gender'].mode()[0])

print('Gender\n', df['Gender'].value_counts())

Gender
Gender
Male      1252
Female     329
Name: count, dtype: int64
```

Table 7: After imputing the Gender

8. Now we are to have a look on statistical summary of the numeric variables of the dataset.

	Age	No_of_Dependents	Salary	Partner_salary	Total_salary	Price
count	1581.000000	1581.000000	1581.000000	1581.000000	1581.000000	1581.000000
mean	31.922201	2.457938	60392.220114	19233.776091	79625.996205	35597.722960
std	8.425978	0.943483	14674.825044	19670.391171	25545.857768	13633.636545
min	22.000000	0.000000	30000.000000	0.000000	30000.000000	18000.000000
25%	25.000000	2.000000	51900.000000	0.000000	60500.000000	25000.000000
50%	29.000000	2.000000	59500.000000	25100.000000	78000.000000	31000.000000
75%	38.000000	3.000000	71800.000000	38100.000000	95900.000000	47000.000000
max	54.000000	4.000000	99300.000000	80500.000000	171000.000000	70000.000000

Table 8: Statistical summary of numeric variables

Table 9: Value counts of categorical variables

Checking for the outliers or extreme values.

```
numerical_cols = ['Salary', 'Age', 'Partner_salary', 'Total_salary', 'Price']
df_melted = df[numerical_cols].melt(var_name='Variable', value_name='Value')

# Setting plot style
plt.figure(figsize=(12, 6))
sns.boxplot(x='Variable', y='Value', data=df_melted, palette='Set1') # Vibrant color palette

# Adding title and formatting
plt.title('Box Plot for Salary, Age, Partner_Salary, Total_Salary, and Price', fontsize=11)
plt.xlabel('')
plt.ylabel('Value', fontsize=12)
plt.xticks(rotation=30)

# Add figure caption below the plot
plt.figtext(0.5, -0.1, 'Numerical variables', wrap=True,
           horizontalalignment='center', fontsize=12, fontweight='bold')

plt.tight_layout()
plt.show()
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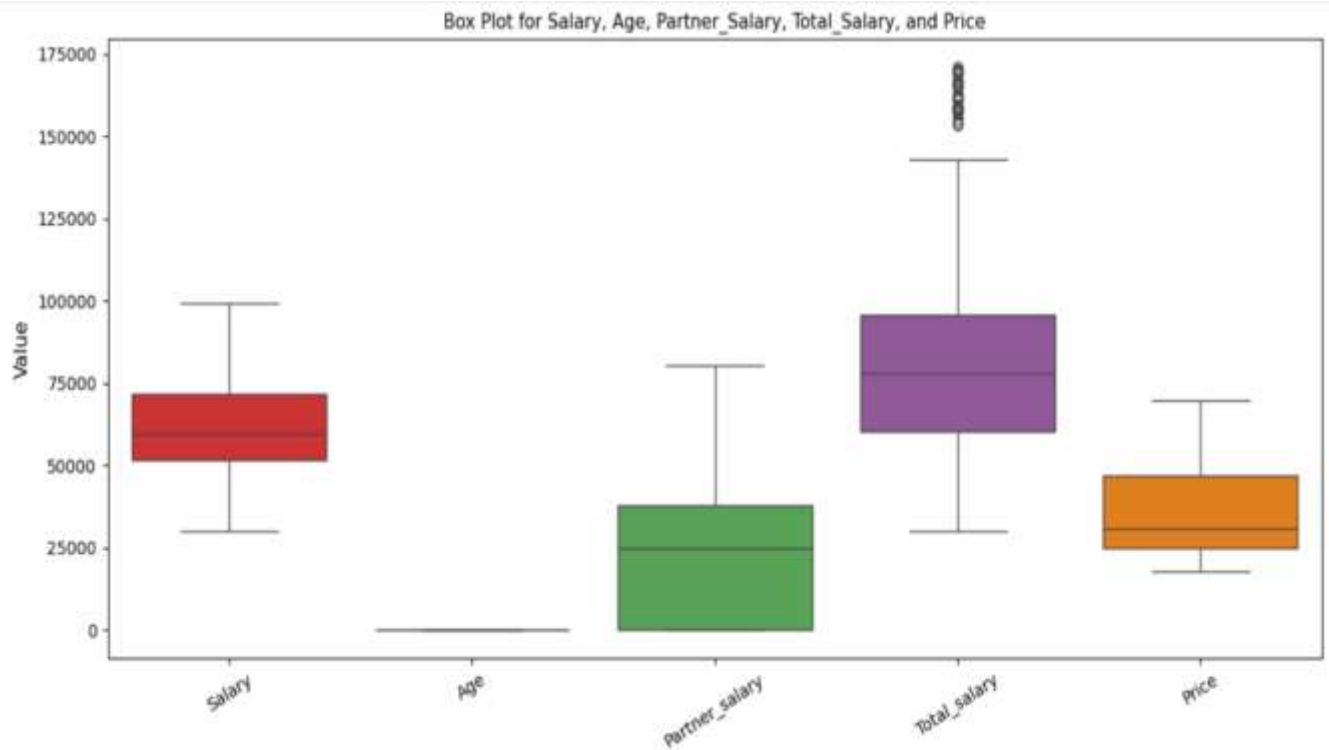
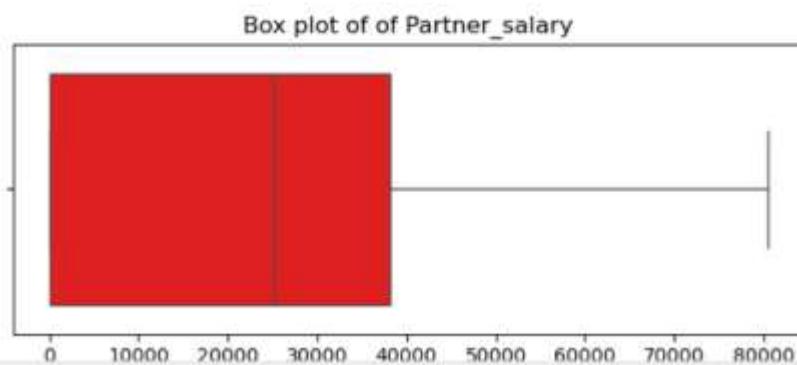
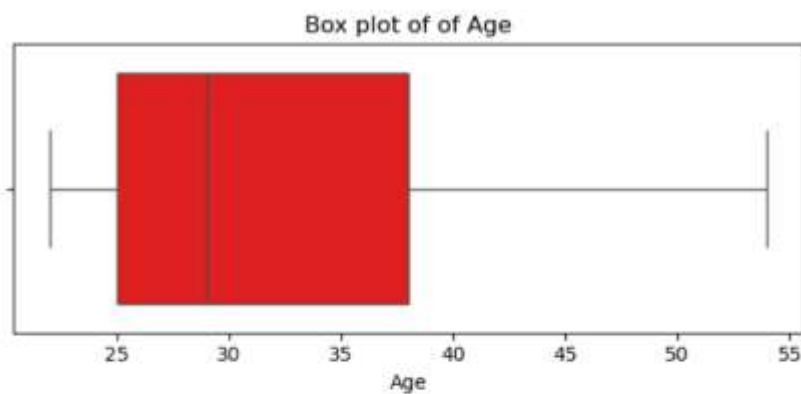
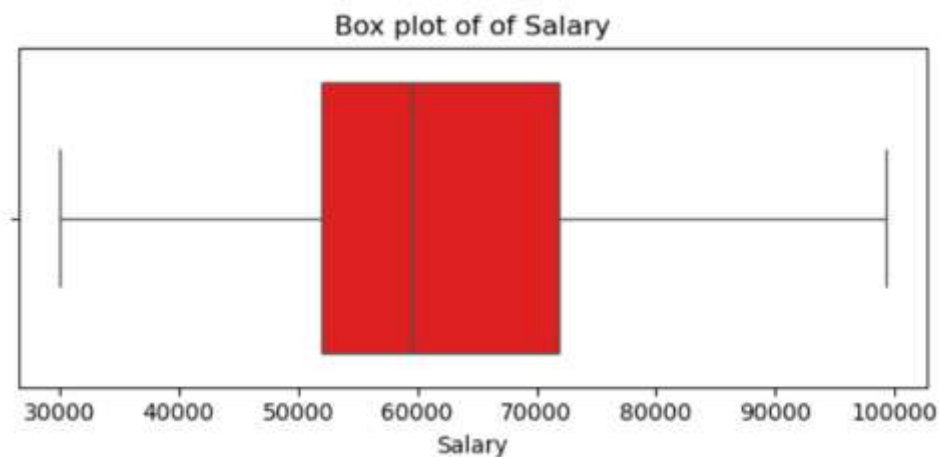


Figure-1 : Box plots of numerical variables

Analyzing box plots of every numerical variables separately:

```
numeric_cols = ['Salary', 'Age', 'Partner_salary', 'Total_salary', 'Price']  
# loop over each numeric column and create a separate box plot  
for col in numeric_cols:  
    plt.figure(figsize= (6,3))  
    sns.boxplot(x=df[col],color='red')  
    plt.title(f'Box plot of of {col}')  
    plt.xlabel(col)  
    plt.tight_layout()  
    plt.show()
```



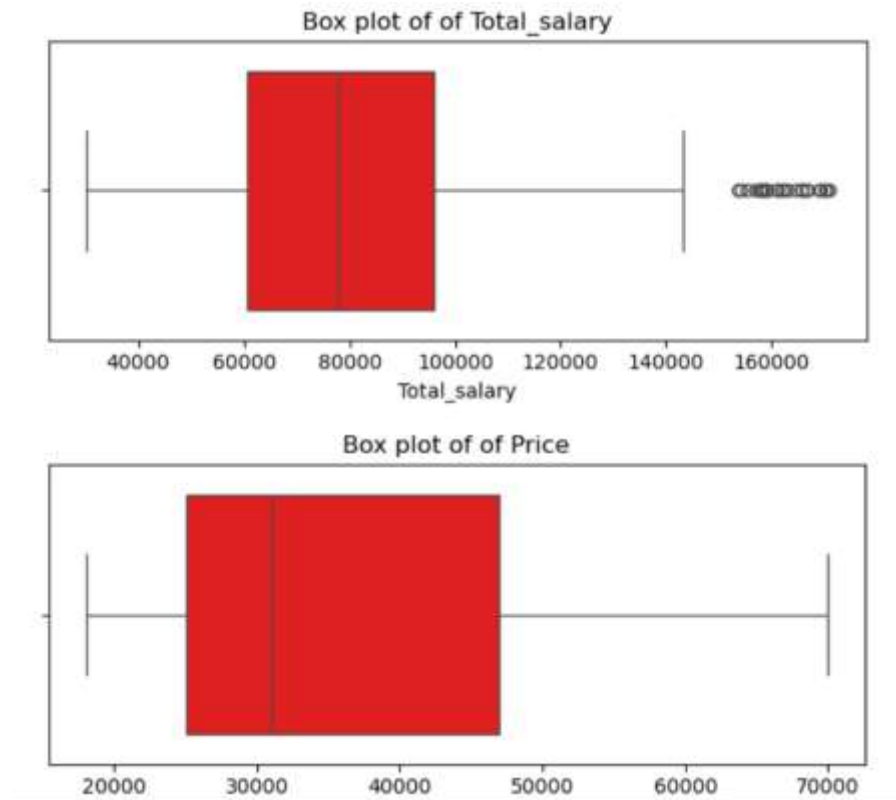
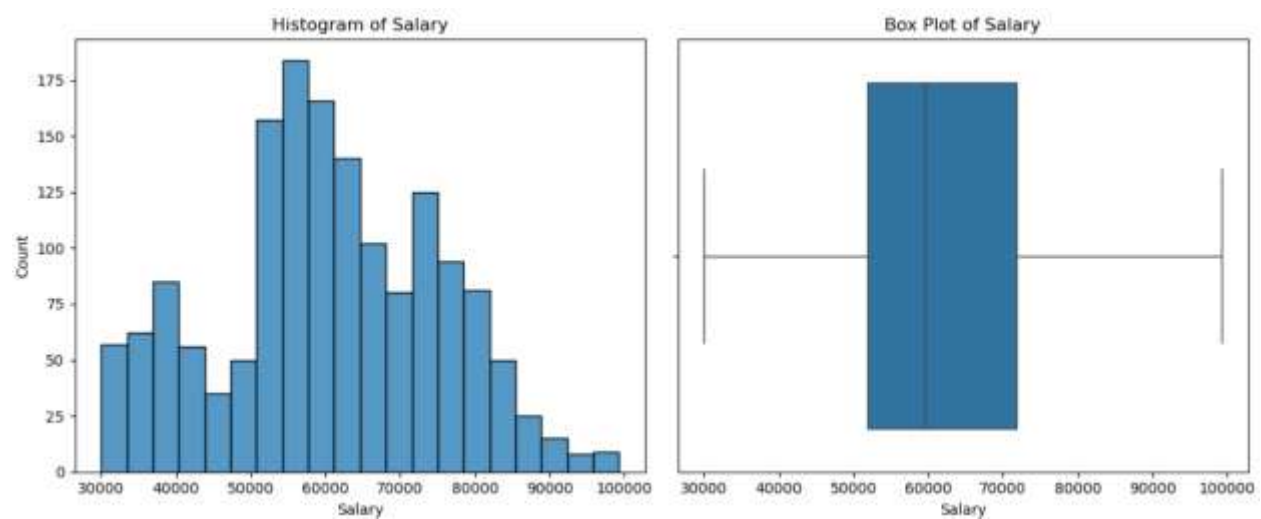
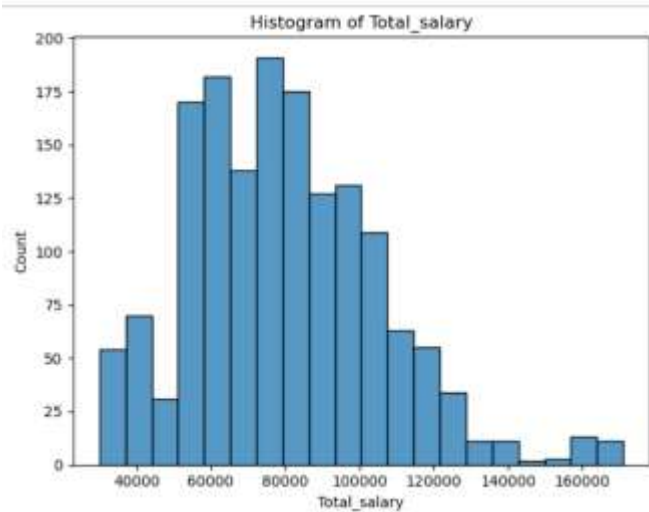
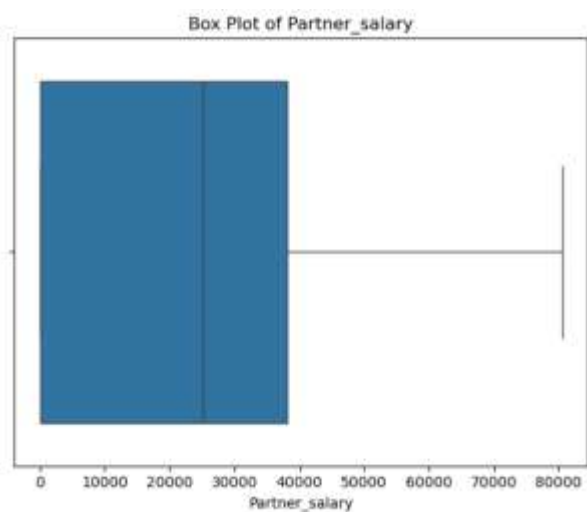
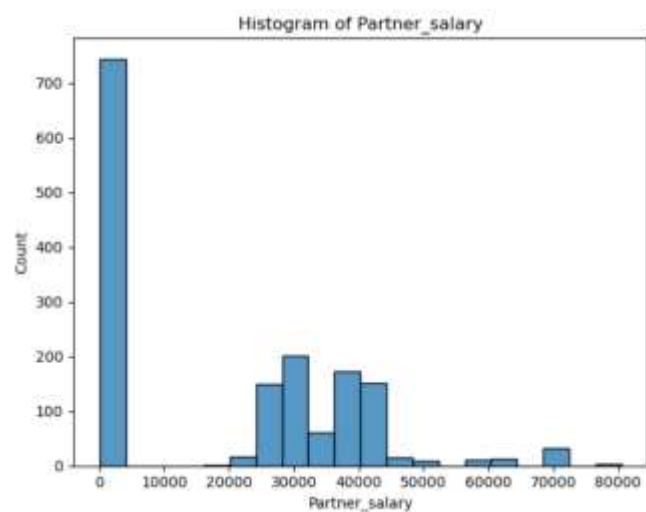
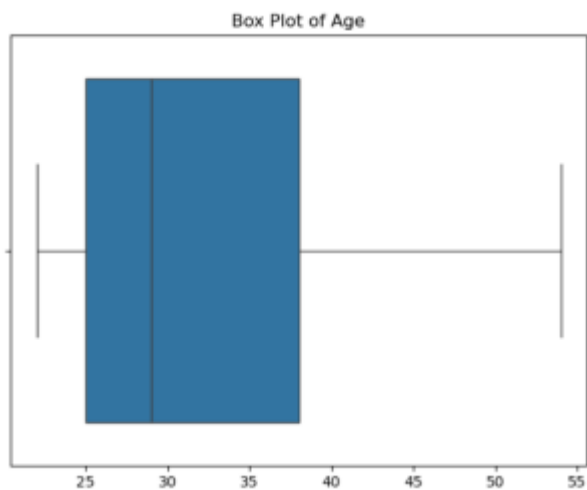
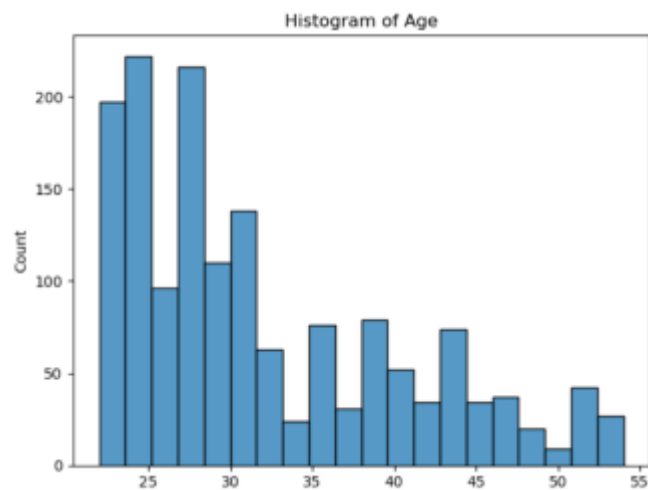
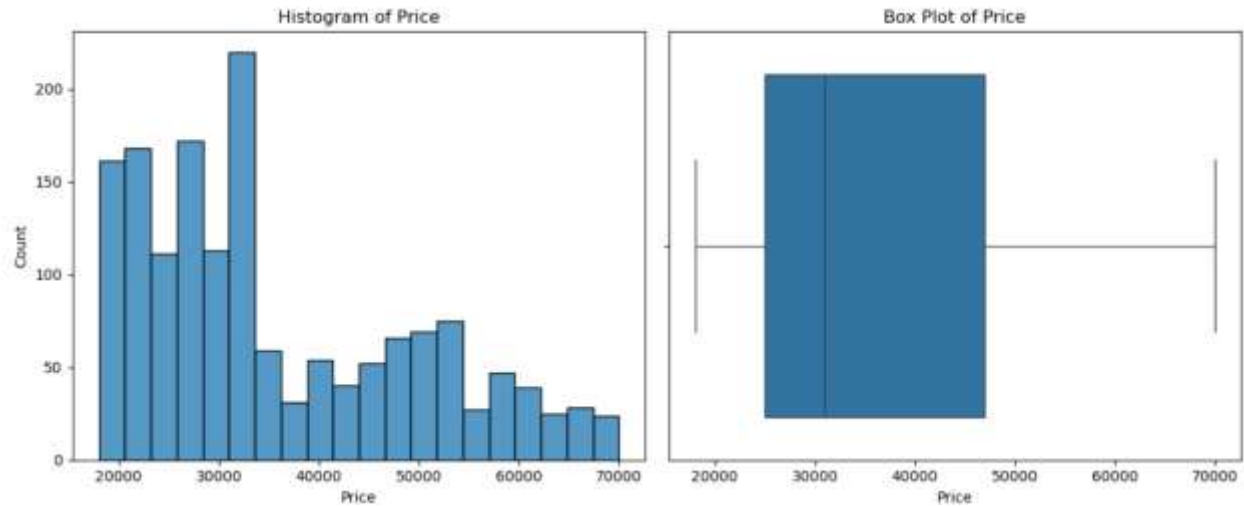


Figure-2 : Box plots of numerical variables individually 1. We can see that there are no negative values present in any numerical category. 2. The 'Total_salary' is having outlier.

Univariate analysis of numerical variables.

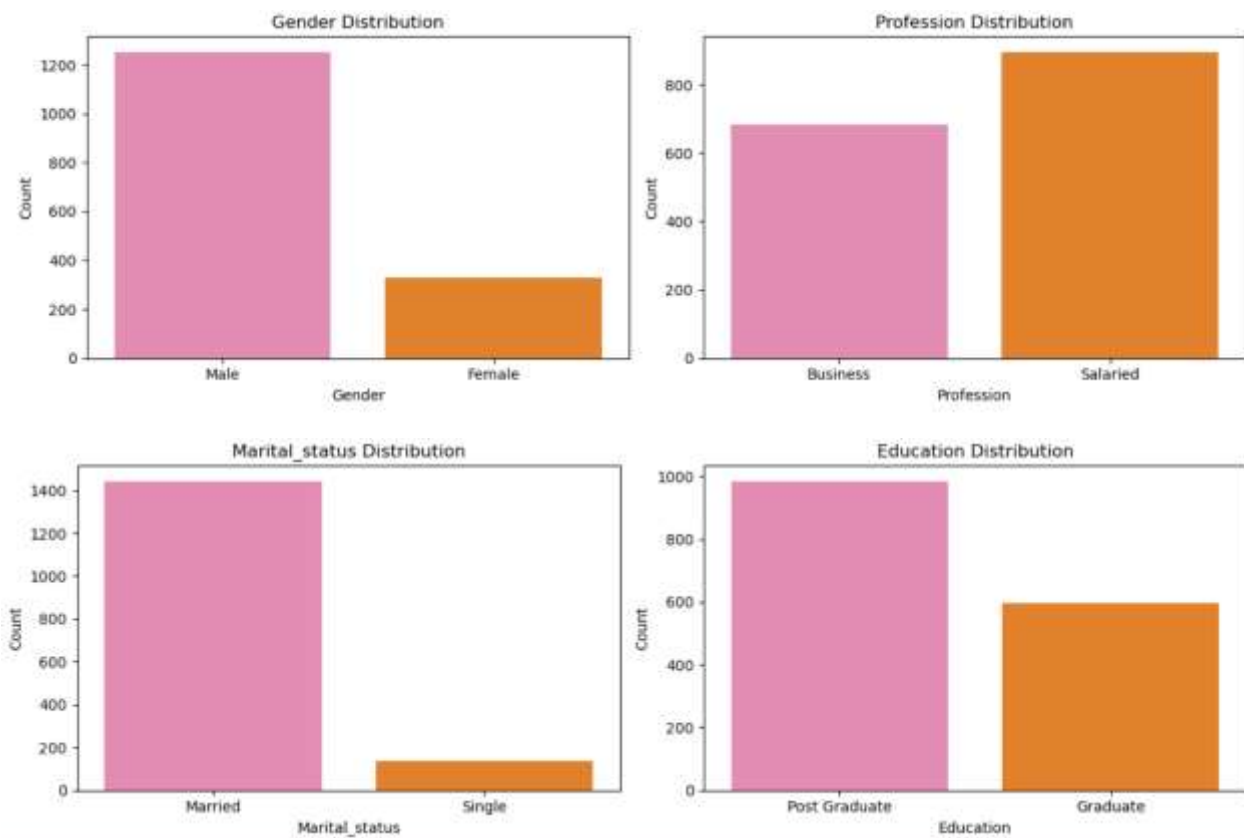


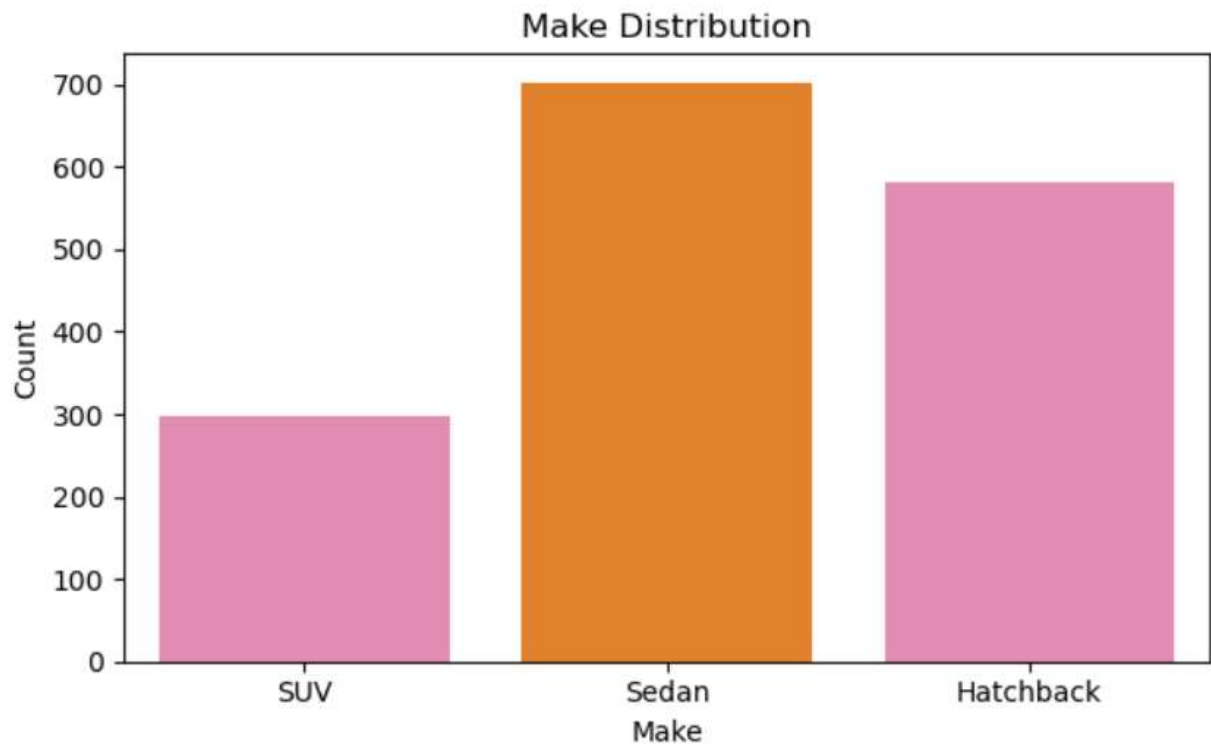
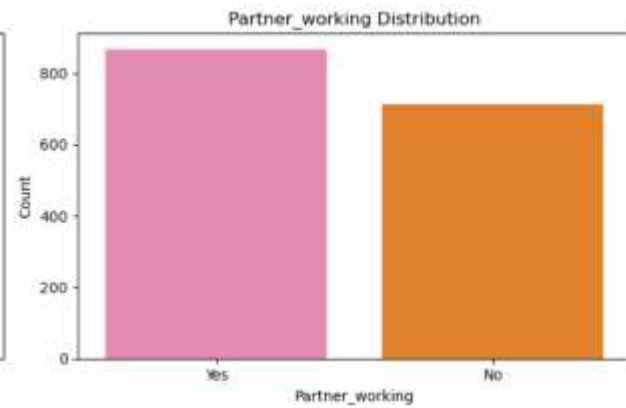
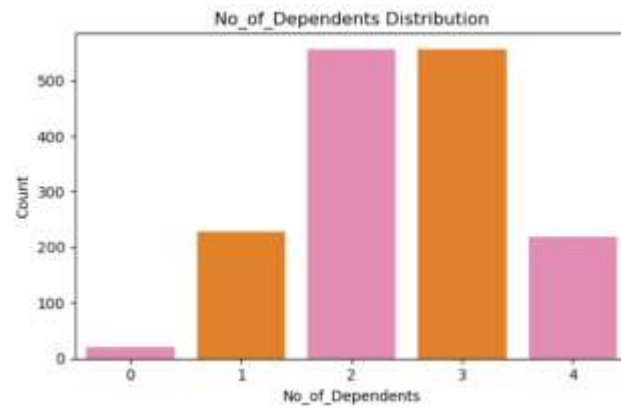
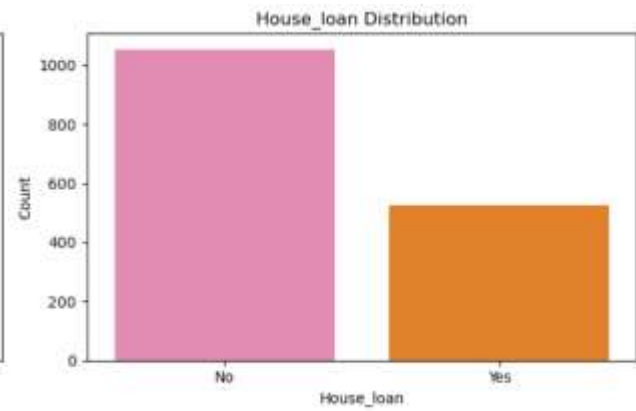
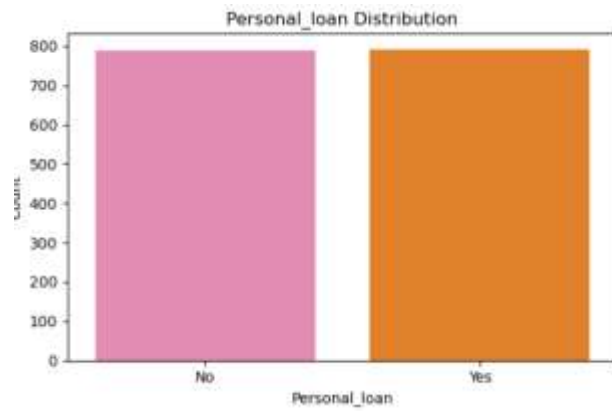




Univariate analysis of numerical variables Inferences: 1. Salary has a range between 50k to 70k. 2. Total salary has a range between 60k to 100k.

Univariate analysis of categorical



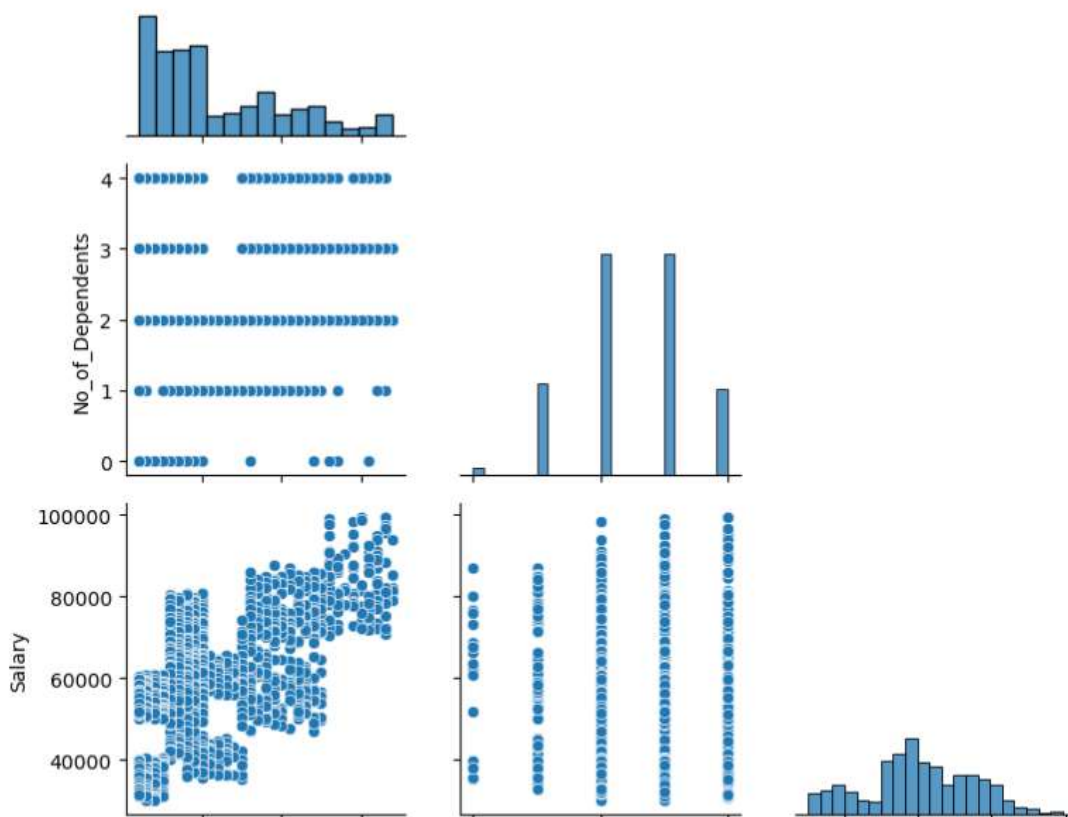


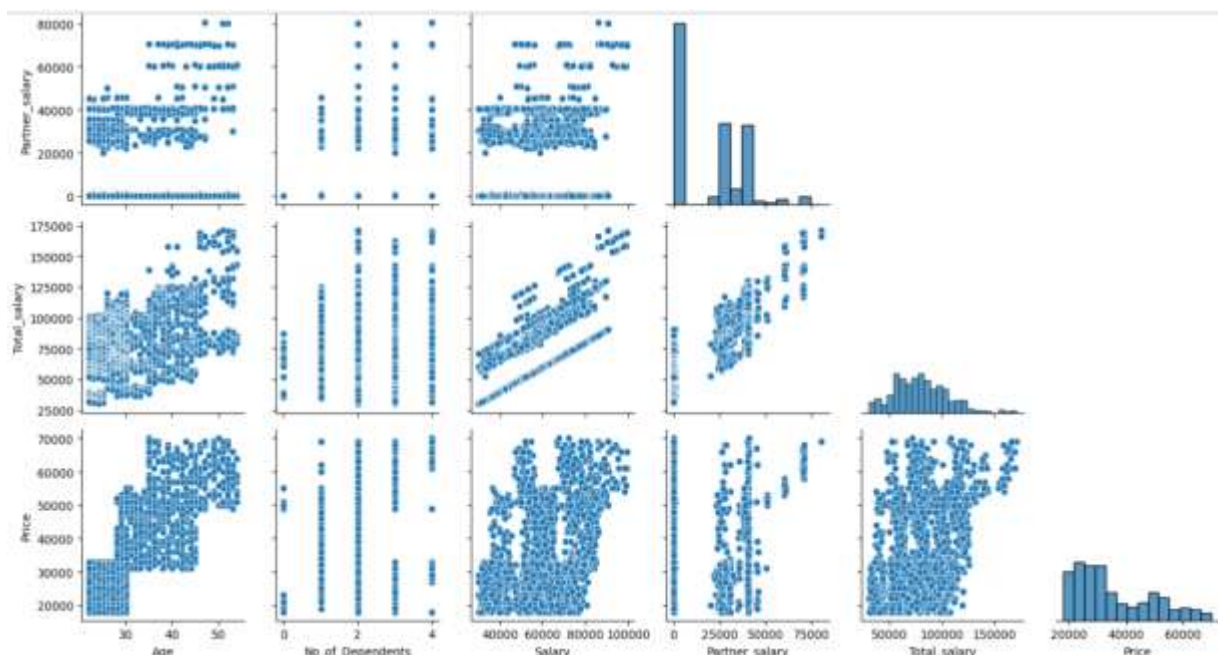
Univariate analysis of categorical variables

Inferences:

1. Sedan is most preferred, after Hatchback and SUV respectively.
2. The buyers with working partner are higher than the buyers with non-working partners or single status.
3. The married buyers are very higher than the single status.
4. Major of the buyers are having postgraduate.
5. Buyers having business are little less than the number of buyers being salaried.
6. The buyers with having 2-3 dependents are higher in the dataset. Then comes the buyers with 1 & 4 dependents and the buyers having 0 dependents are very less.

Bivariate analysis of all the numerical variables



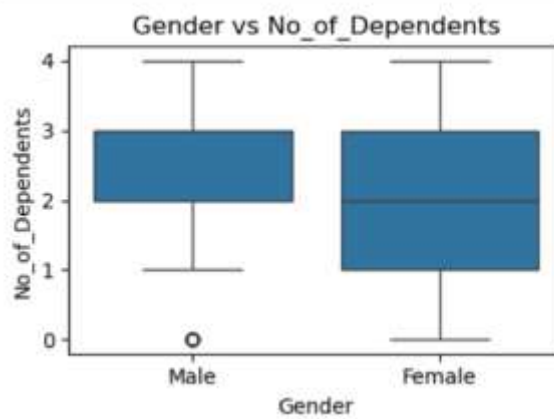
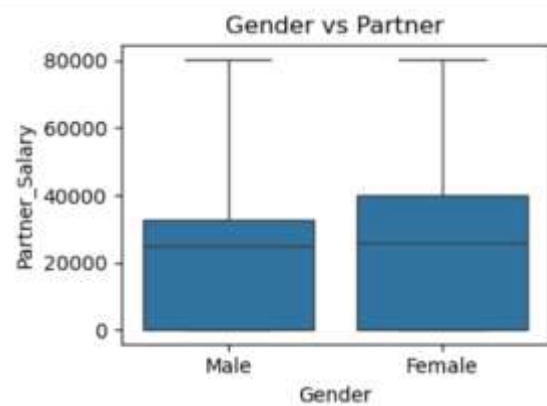
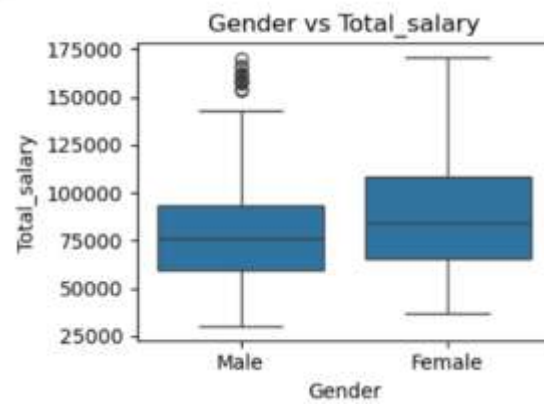
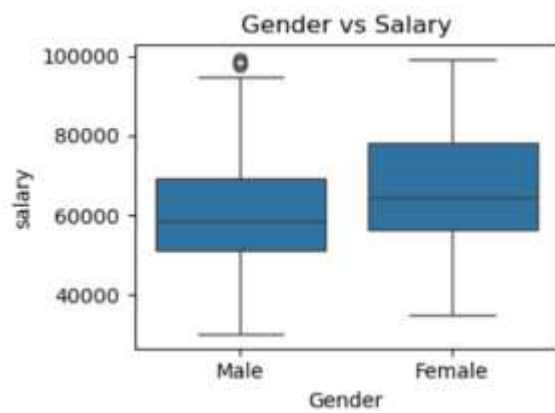
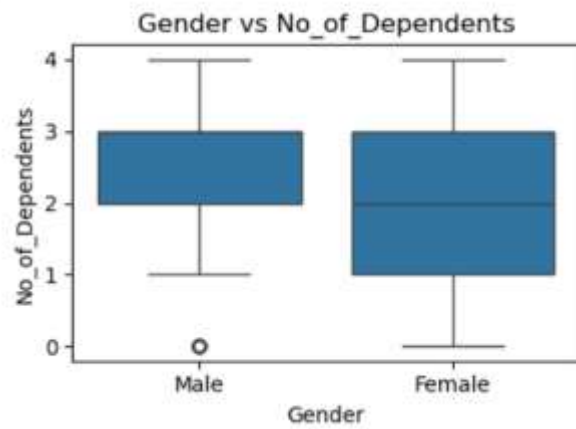
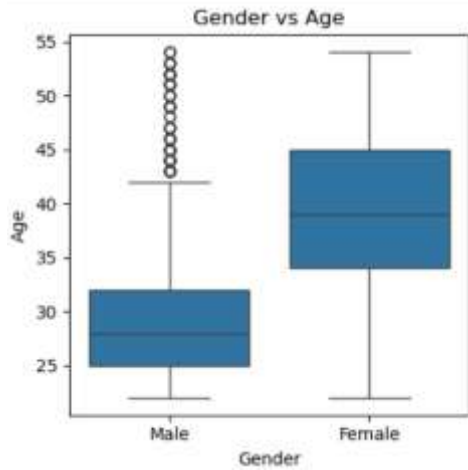


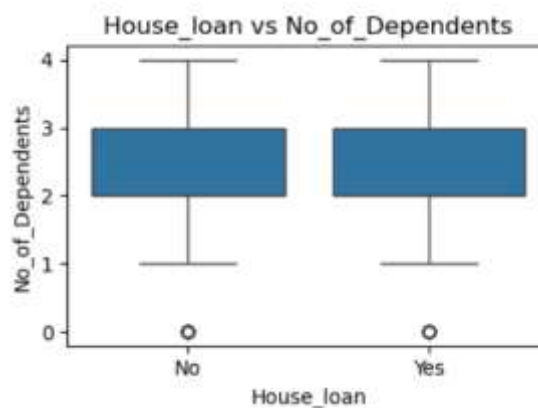
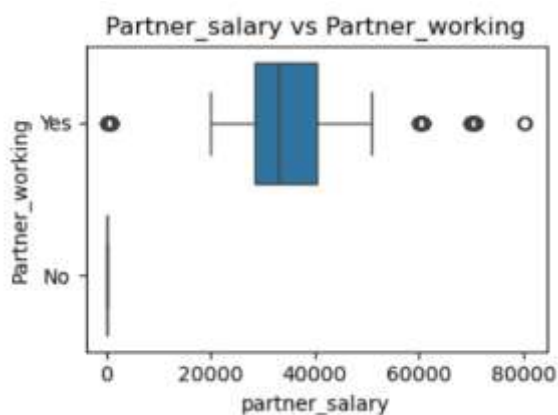
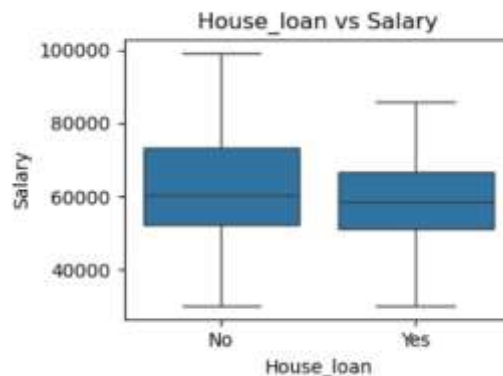
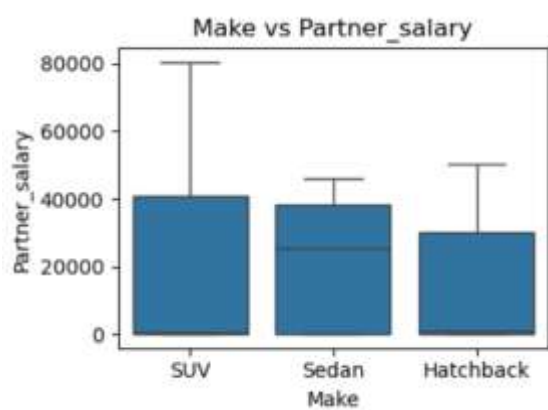
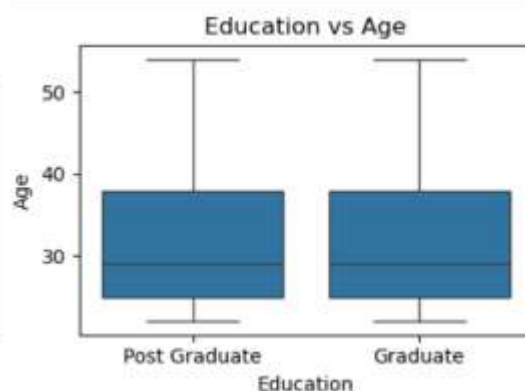
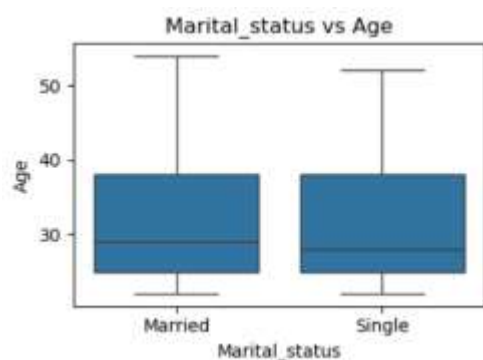
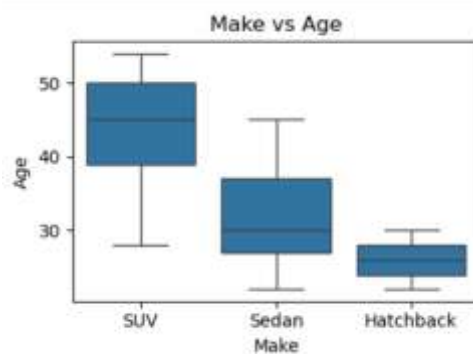
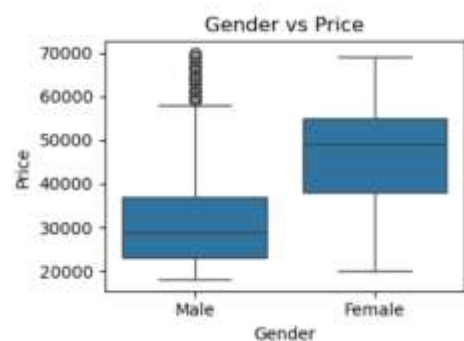
Pair plot of the dataset numerical variables

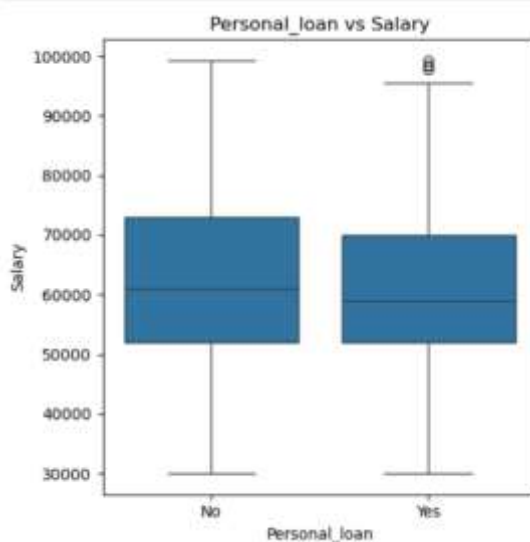
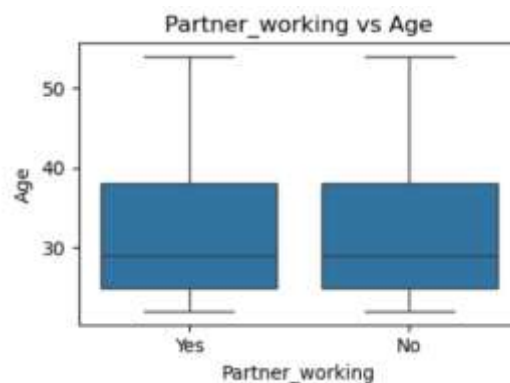
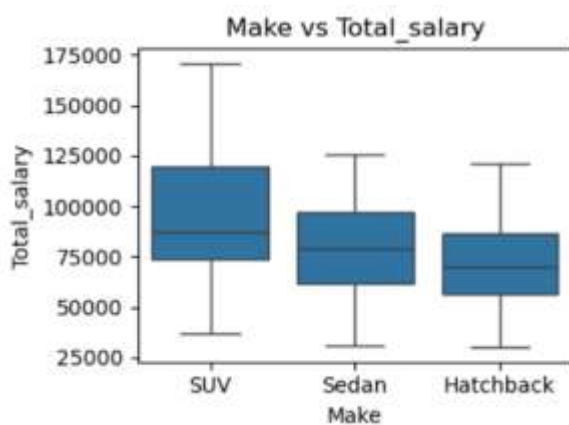
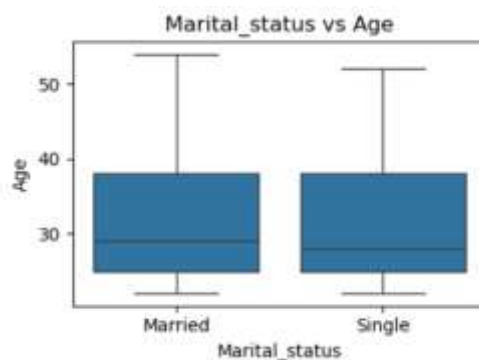
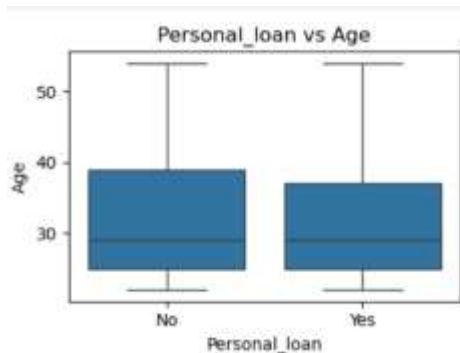


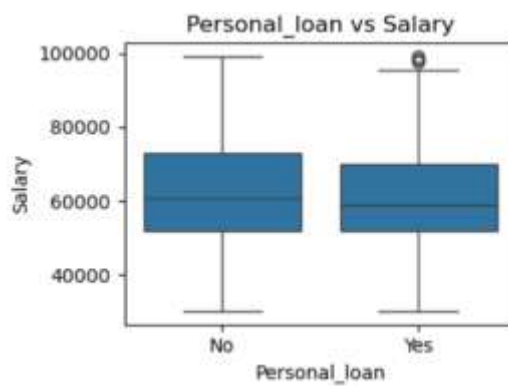
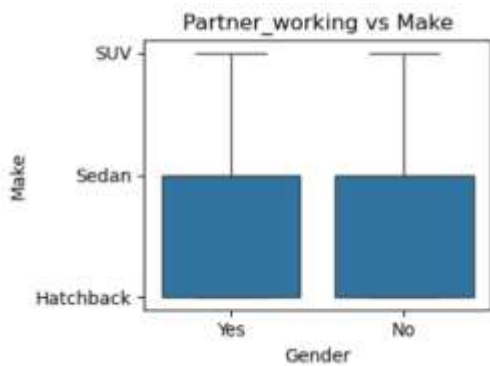
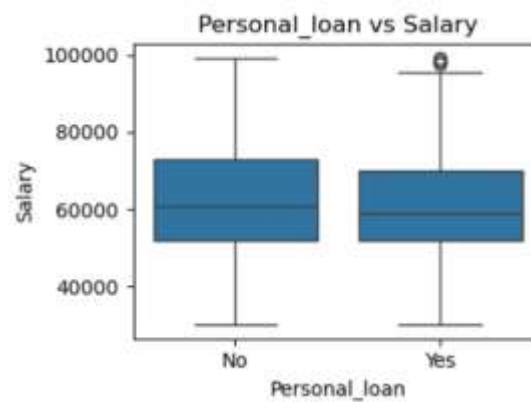
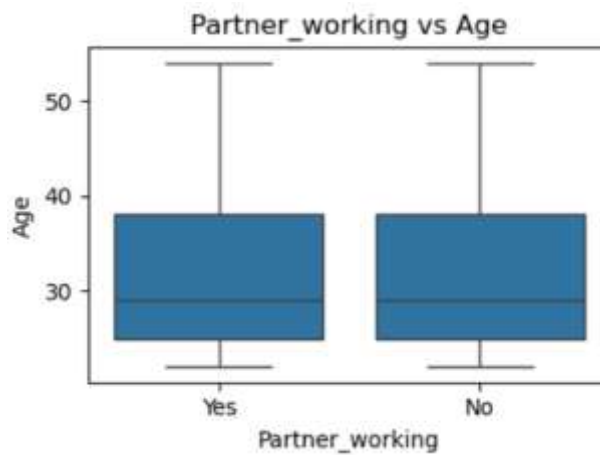
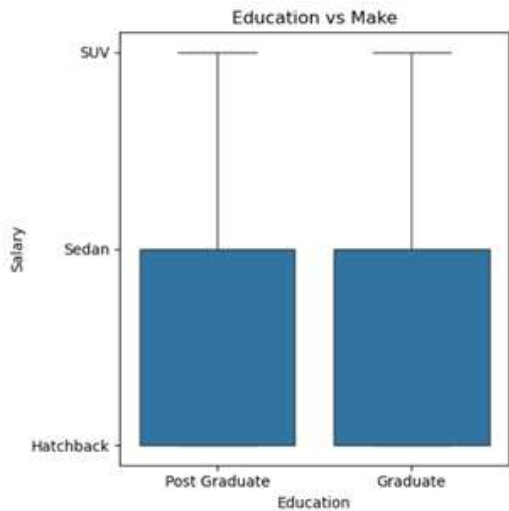
Correlation heatmap of numerical variables

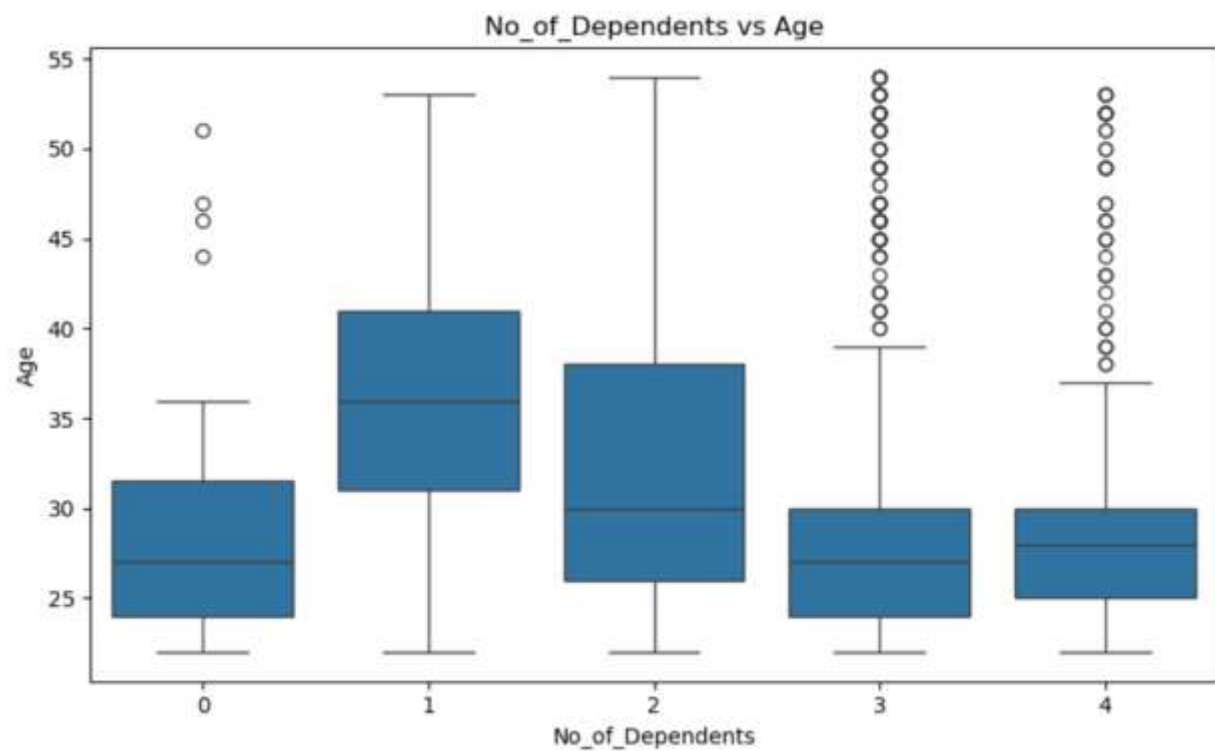
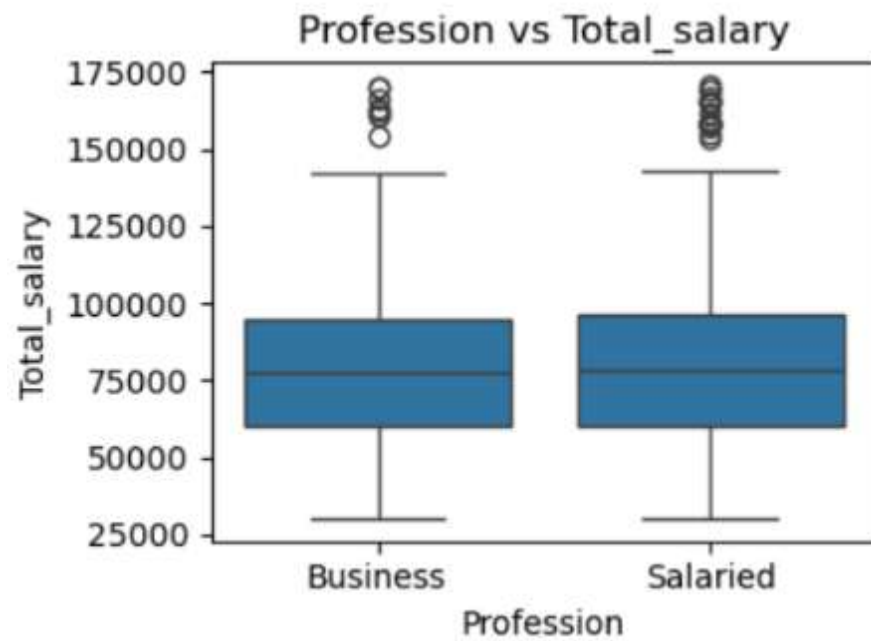
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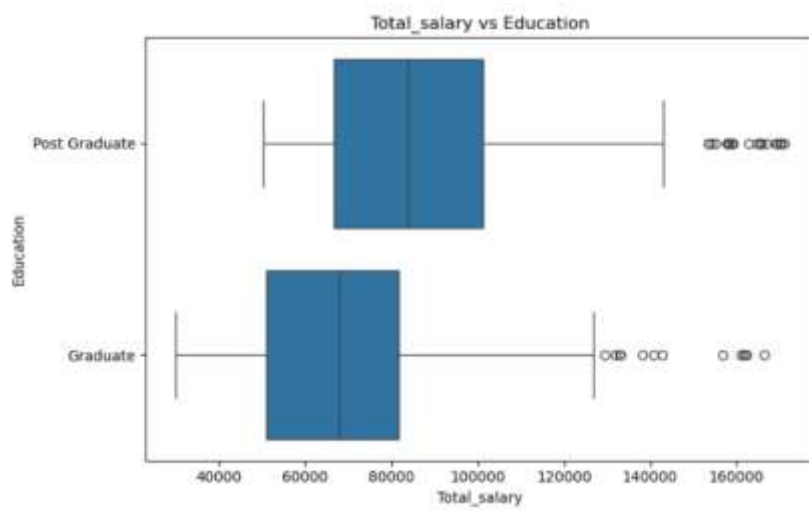
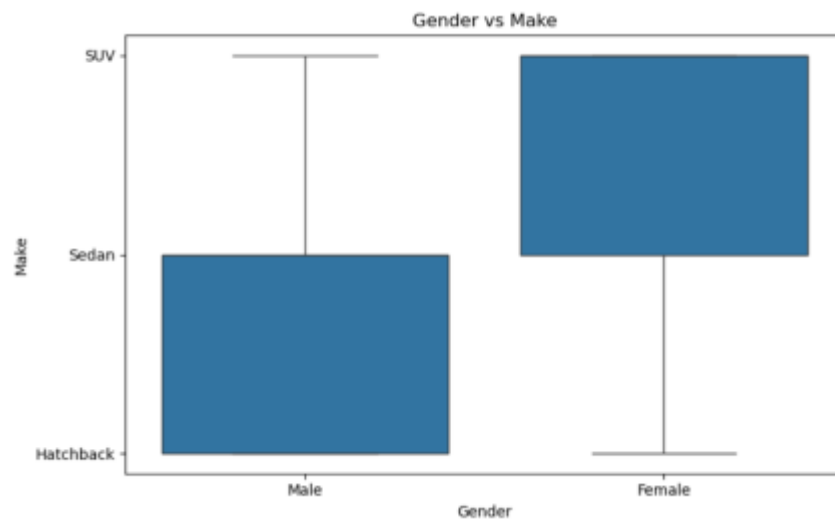
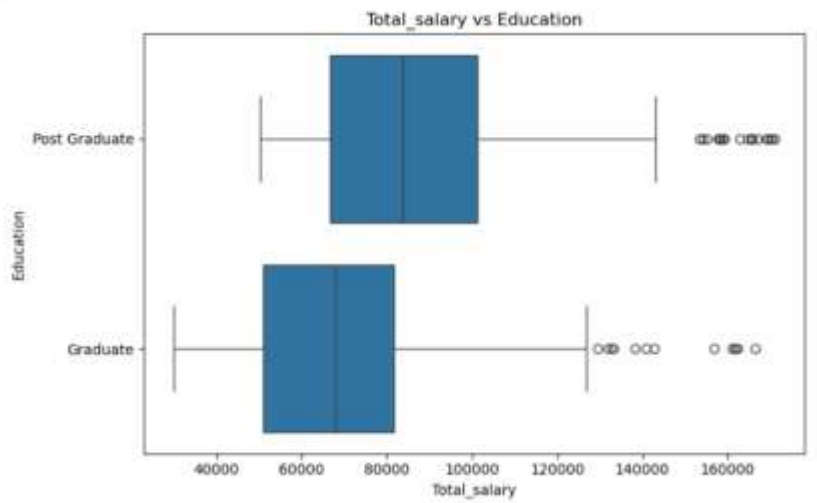


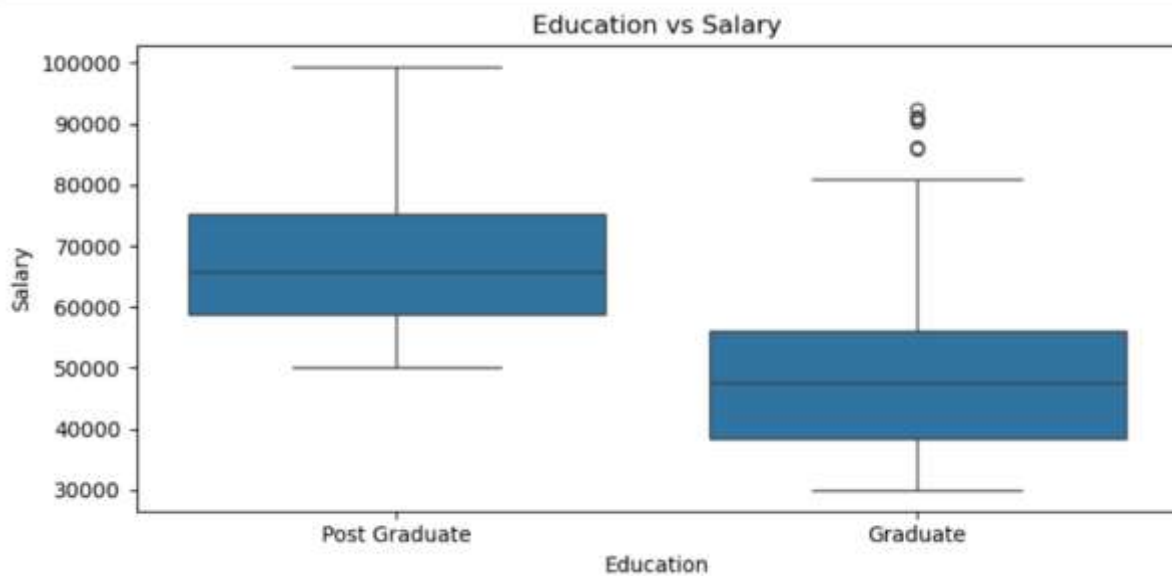
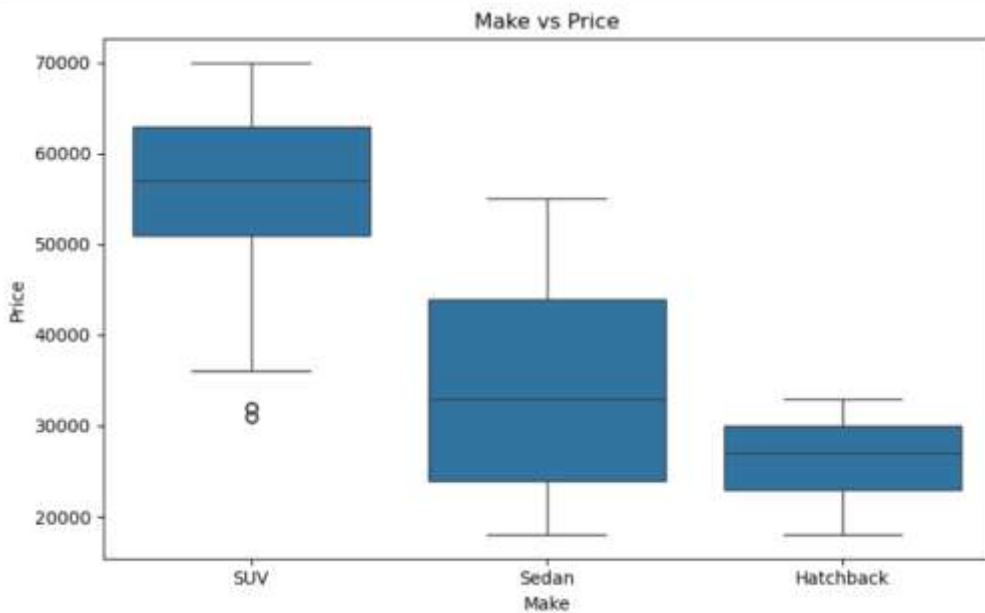












Bivariate relationship of categorical vs numerical variables

Gender-Based Insights

- Age: Females are generally older than males.
- Dependents:
 - Females: Mostly have 1–3 dependents
 - Males: Commonly have 2–3 dependents

- Salary Range:
 - Females: ₹34,800 – ₹99,300
 - Males: ₹30,000 – ₹99,300
Females have a higher minimum salary.
- Partner Salary: Slightly higher among females.
- Total Salary: Higher for females than males.
- Automobile Price: Females tend to purchase higher-priced cars.

Profession-Based Insights

- Salaried buyers are generally older than business buyers.
- Dependents: Both salaried and business buyers mostly have 2–3 dependents.
- Own Salary: Slightly higher for salaried buyers.
- Partner Salary: Slightly higher among salaried buyers (not significant).
- Total Salary: More outliers seen in salaried buyers indicates income diversity.
- Automobile Spending: Salaried buyers spend more on cars than business buyers.

Marital Status Insights

- Age: Married and single buyers fall in a similar age group.
- Dependents: Some singles have 1 dependent.
- Salary: Roughly similar between married and single buyers.
- Total Salary: Higher for married buyers.
- Automobile Spending: Married buyers spend more on cars.

Education-Based Insights

- Age: Graduates and postgraduates are in a similar age bracket.
- Dependents: Both mostly have 2–3 dependents.
- Salary: Higher for postgraduates.
- Partner Salary: Slightly higher for graduates.
- Total Salary: Higher for postgraduates.
- Car Spending: Surprisingly, graduates spent more on cars.

Loan & Salary-Based Insights

- Buyers with salary > ₹70,000 have not taken personal loans.

- Buyers with 2–3 dependents are more likely to have house loans.
- Buyers with a working partner have a higher total salary.

Car Type Preferences

By Age Group:

- SUV: Preferred by 38–50 years
- Sedan: Preferred by 27–37 years
- Hatchback: Preferred by 25–28 years

By Dependents:

- SUV & Hatchback: Buyers with 2–3 dependents
- Sedan: Buyers with 1–3 dependents

By Salary Range:

- SUV: ₹62,000 – ₹82,000
- Sedan: ₹52,000 – ₹68,000
- Hatchback: ₹44,000 – ₹66,000

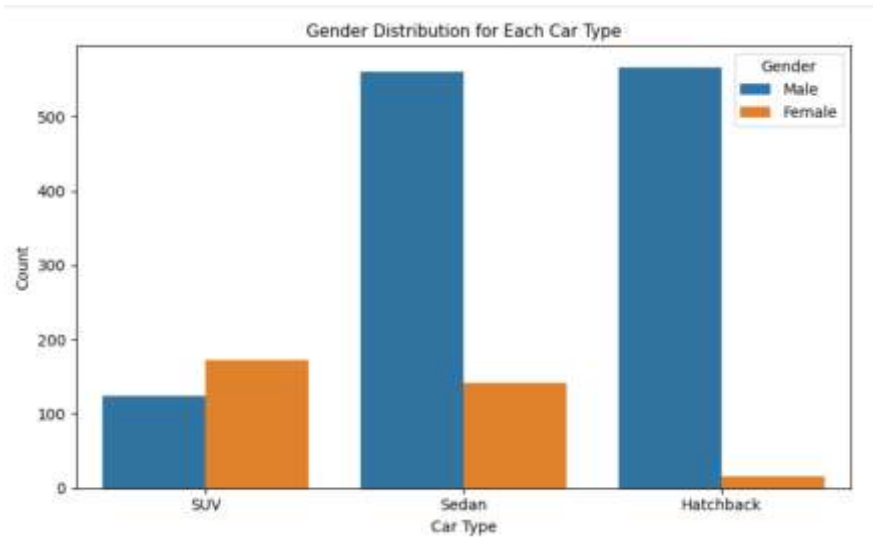
By Total Salary:

- SUV: ₹66,000 – ₹1,20,000
- Sedan: ₹64,000 – ₹88,000
- Hatchback: ₹60,000 – ₹84,000

By Car Price:

- SUVs: ₹52,000 – ₹64,000
- Sedans: ₹26,000 – ₹44,000
- Hatchbacks: ₹24,000 – ₹30,000

Do men tend to prefer SUVs more compared to women?

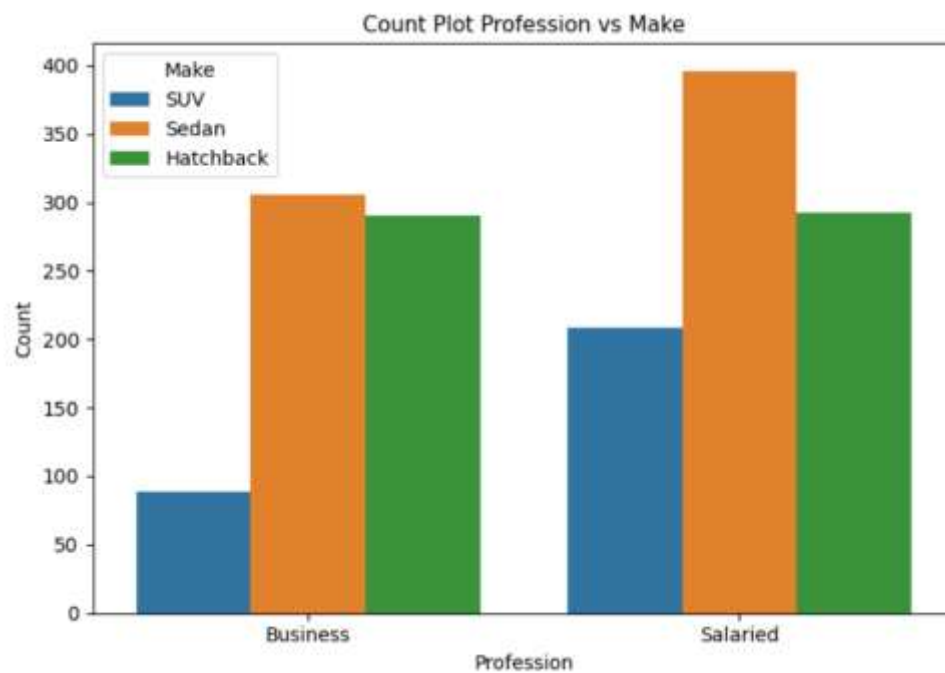


Count plot of Gender vs Make

We can properly see that the women more likely prefer SUVs compared to men.

So, the answer for the Question is 'No'.

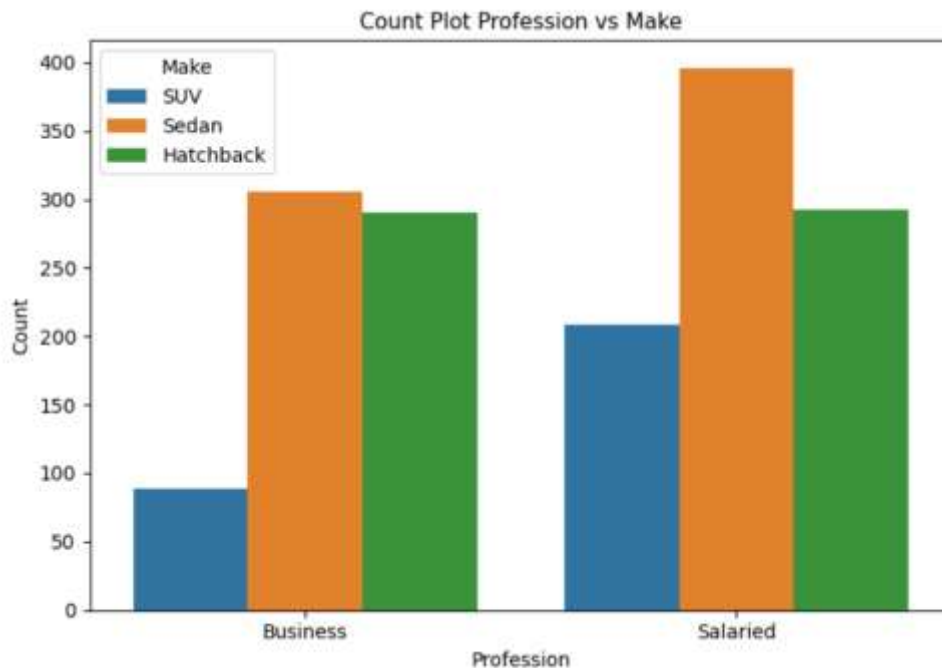
What is the likelihood of a salaried person buying a Hatchback?



Count plot of Profession vs Make

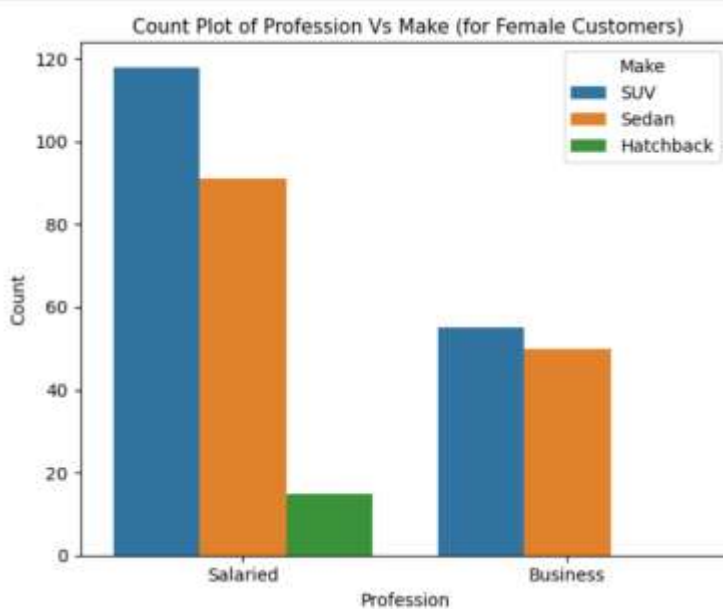
Salaried individuals are more likely to purchase Hatchbacks as their second preference after Sedans. This suggests a balance between comfort and cost-effectiveness in their purchasing decisions.

Which car is least choice of salary person & Business ?



SUV is the least choice Car by both salary person & Business Person because SUV Car cost is more as compared to Other Cars that main Reason People Like to Buy other Cars.

Which Car Is most Liked my Female in Salary Category ?



SUV is the most loved Car in Working Female Category & Hatchback is the least liked car in working women category.

Sedan is the second most loved car in Business Category & SUV also tops here also That means overall Female Likes SUV more than Males As there In income is more. So they like the most Costly car in the car Category.

Insights and Recommendations

Gender-Based Insights

- Females are generally older and tend to have higher base and total salaries.
- They are more likely to purchase higher-priced cars, especially SUVs, which are also the most preferred among salaried females.
- Recommendation: Design marketing campaigns for premium car models (like SUVs) targeted at working females, highlighting features like comfort, safety, and luxury.

Profession-Based Insights

- Salaried individuals prefer Sedans first, then Hatchbacks, while SUVs are the least preferred.
- Business owners show more interest in SUVs, likely due to higher disposable income and status-driven choices.
- Recommendation:
 - Promote economy variants of Sedans and Hatchbacks for salaried professionals.
 - Highlight prestige, spaciousness, and durability of SUVs for business buyers.

Marital Status Insights

- Married buyers have higher total salaries and spend more on car purchases.
- Single buyers have similar salary levels but lower total income.
- Recommendation: Bundle family-friendly features or EMI-based offers for married buyers, and emphasize affordability and style for singles.

Education-Based Insights

- Postgraduates earn more and have higher total salaries.
- However, graduates spend more on cars despite earning slightly less.
- Recommendation: Focus marketing on value-driven messaging for postgraduates and offer aspirational branding for graduates who are willing to spend more.

Loan & Salary Patterns

- High salary earners (above ₹70,000) avoid personal loans.

- House loans are common among those with 2–3 dependents.
- Buyers with a working partner have higher total income.
- Recommendation: Offer cash discounts or exchange offers to high-earning customers; target working couples with dual-income family packages.

Car Type Preferences

- SUV: Preferred by buyers aged 38–50 and earning ₹62k–₹82k.
- Sedan: Popular among 27–37-year-olds, earning ₹52k–₹68k.
- Hatchback: Chosen by 25–28-year-olds, with salaries between ₹44k–₹66k.
- SUVs have the highest total salary bracket (₹66k–₹1.2L) and cost more.
- Recommendation:
 - SUV ads should target older, affluent buyers.
 - Sedan and Hatchback marketing should appeal to young professionals.

Behavioral Insight

- SUVs are more popular among females than males.
- Salaried individuals prefer Sedans, but also show a second preference for Hatchbacks.
- SUV is the least chosen by both salaried and business buyers due to its high cost.
- Recommendation: For Hatchbacks and Sedans, focus on cost-effectiveness, fuel efficiency, and EMI plans.

Summary

The analysis of customer data for Austo Motor Company reveals distinct buyer profiles based on gender, profession, marital status, and education. Females and postgraduates lean toward premium purchases like SUVs, while salaried individuals and younger buyers prefer economical options like Sedans and Hatchbacks.

To optimize the current marketing strategy:

- Target working women and business owners for premium SUVs.
- Highlight affordability and efficiency for salaried youth.
- Use demographic segmentation to align car promotions with income, age, and lifestyle preferences.