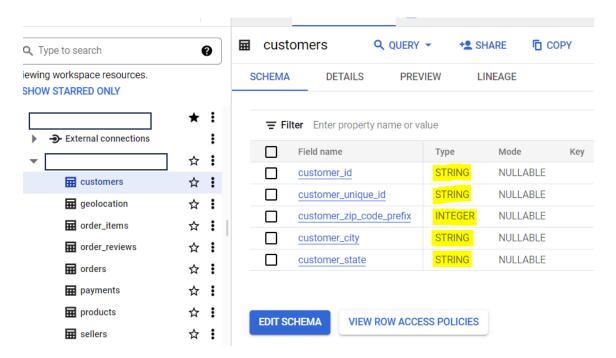
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Exploratory Analysis

Data type of all columns in the "customers" table.

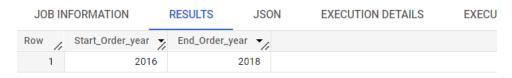


> Get the time range between which the orders were placed.

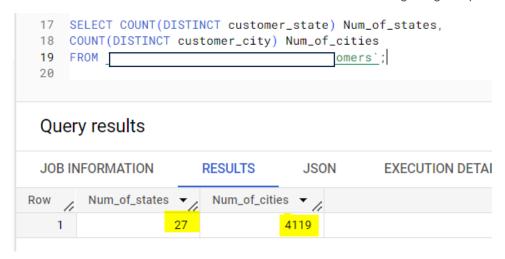
```
1 SELECT DISTINCT
2 EXTRACT(YEAR FROM order_purchase_timestamp) Order_year
3 FROM _________.orders`
4 ORDER BY Order_year
```

JOB IN	IFORMATION	RESULTS	JSON	EXECUTION DETAILS
Row /	Order_year ▼	11		
1	201	6		
2	201	7		
3	201	8		

- - Query results



> Count the Cities & States of customers who ordered during the given period.





```
7 SELECT customer_state, customer_city,
8 COUNT(DISTINCT customer_id) Num_of_customers
9 FROM
10 GROUP BY customer_state, customer_city
11  ORDER BY Num_of_customers DESC;
```

Query results

JOB IN	FORMATION	RESULTS	JSON	EXECUTION DET	TAILS EXECUT	ION G
Row /	customer_state	~ //	customer_city	· //	Num_of_customers/	
1	SP		sao paulo		15540	
2	RJ		rio de janeiro		6882	
3	MG		belo horizonte		2773	
4	DF		brasilia		2131	
5	PR		curitiba		1521	
6	SP		campinas		1444	
7	RS		porto alegre		1379	
8	ВА		salvador		1245	
9	SP		guarulhos		1189	
10	SP		sao bernardo do	campo	938	

```
SELECT SUM(Num_of_customers) Top10cities
FROM
(SELECT customer_state, customer_city,
COUNT(DISTINCT customer_id) Num_of_customers,
FROM `
                               .customers`
GROUP BY customer_state, customer_city
ORDER BY Num_of_customers DESC
LIMIT 10);
```

iery results



Insights:

- The dataset available is of customers' orders placed from 2016 to 2018
- Customers from over 27 different states & 4119 different cities in Brazil have placed these orders

- A total of 99,441 customers' have placed orders in Brazil operations of XYZ Co. during this period.
- Over 15.62% (15540 / 99441) customers of XYZ Co. in Brazil are from Sao Paulo city.
- Over 35.23% (35042 / 99441) customers are in the Top 10 cities alone.

Action Items:

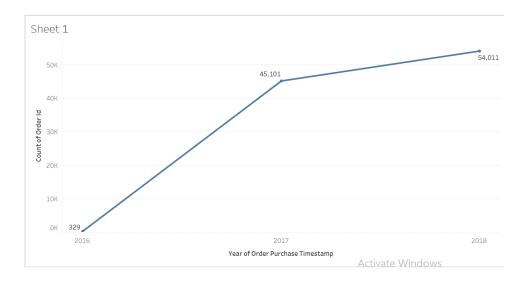
• Checking the sales, profit, etc. Parameters for customers in Sao Paulo city and other Top 10 cities would help cater to majority of the XYZ Co. Brazil customers and have impactful outcomes.

In-depth Exploration:

> Is there a growing trend in the no. of orders placed over the past years?

Query results

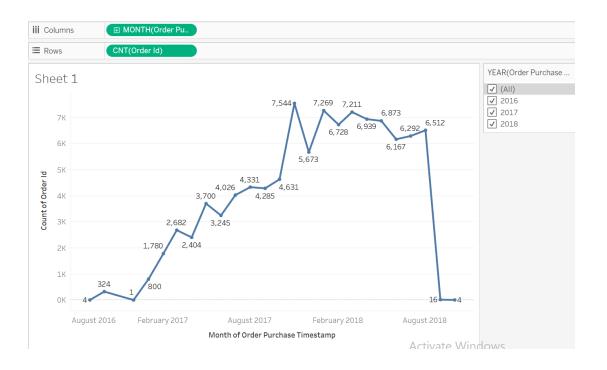
JOB IN	IFORMATION	RESULTS	JSON	EXECUTION DETAILS	EXECUT
Row /	order_year ▼	// Num_orders	- /		
1	2016		329		
2	2017		45101		
3	2018		54011		



> Can we see some kind of monthly seasonality in terms of the no. of orders being placed?

JOB IN	FORMATION	RESULTS	JS0	N EXECUTION	DETAILS
Row /	order_year ▼	order_month	· /	Num_orders ▼ //	
1	2016		9	4	
2	2016		10	324	
3	2016		12	1	
4	2017		1	800	
5	2017		2	1780	
6	2017		3	2682	
7	2017		4	2404	

Row /	order_year ▼ //	order_month ▼ //	Num_orders ▼ //
8	2017	5	3700
9	2017	6	3245
10	2017	7	4026
11	2017	8	4331
12	2017	9	4285
13	2017	10	4631
14	2017	11	7544

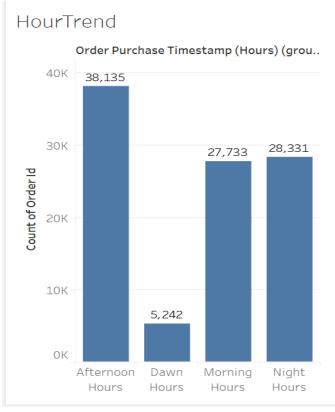


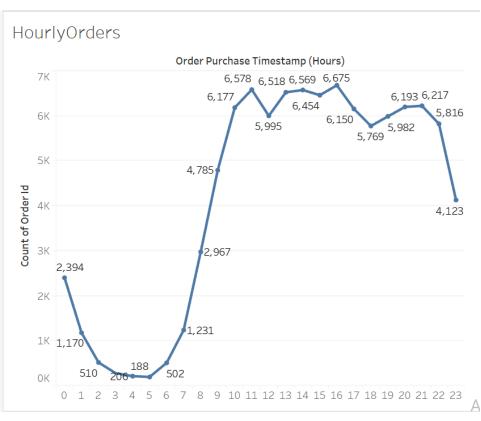
> During what time of the day, do the Brazilian customers mostly place their orders? (Dawn, Morning, Afternoon or Night)

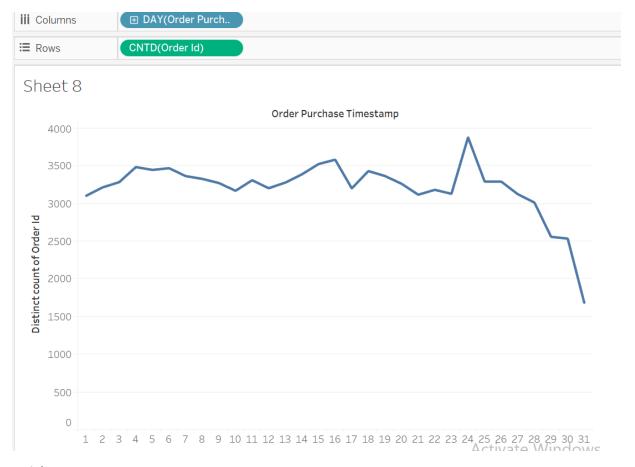
0-6 hrs: Dawn7-12 hrs: Mornings13-18 hrs: Afternoon19-23 hrs: Night

```
22 WITH CTE AS
23 (SELECT CASE
24 WHEN X.order_hour IN (0,1,2,3,4,5,6) THEN "Dawn"
25 WHEN X.order_hour IN (7,8,9,10,11,12) THEN "Morning"
26 WHEN X.order_hour IN (13,14,15,16,17,18) THEN "Afternoon"
27 WHEN X.order_hour IN (19,20,21,22,23) THEN "Night"
28 END AS OrderTime,
29 COUNT(DISTINCT order_id) Num_orders
30 FROM (SELECT *,
31 EXTRACT(HOUR FROM order_purchase_timestamp) order_hour
32 FROM
                            .orders`) AS X
33 GROUP BY X.order_hour
34 ORDER BY X.order_hour DESC)
35
36 SELECT OrderTime,
37 SUM(Num_orders) TotalNumOrders
38 FROM CTE
39 GROUP BY OrderTime
40 ORDER BY TotalNumOrders DESC
```

JOB IN	IFORMATION	RESULTS	JSON	EXECUTION DETA
Row /	OrderTime ▼	11	TotalNumOrders	7/
1	Afternoon		3813	5
2	Night		2833	1
3	Morning		2773	3
4	Dawn		524	2







Insights:

- There is a growing trend in the number of orders from 2016 to 2018 with a significant drop in September 2018
- There is only last quarter data for 2016.
- There is no apparent monthly seasonality observed for the given period but in general there is a hike and drop every alternate month. (There's an increase in the number of orders in March, May, August as compared to previous months)
- Brazilian customers mostly place their order during Afternoon, followed by Night, Morning, Dawn.
- Hours when Brazilian customers have mostly ordered are between 10 to 17 hours and 19 to 22 hours.

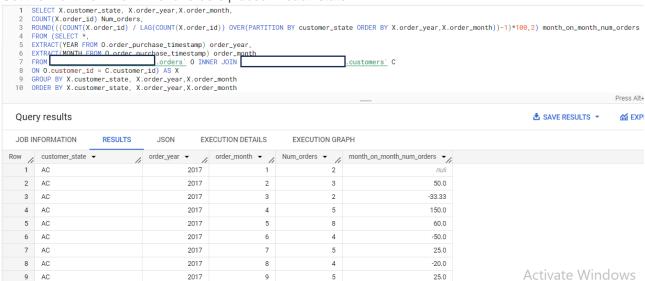
Recommendations:

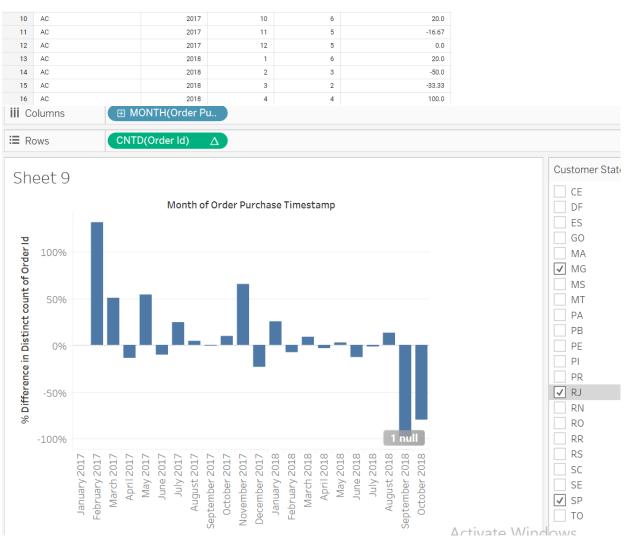
- It would be worth checking the reason for drop in the count of orders in September 2018.
- Having more data would certainly help in understanding the seasonality factor better for eg., if
 users tend to shop more a month before or after their bonus month or if users tend to shop
 closer to their salary day each month.
- Display product recommendations / advertisements to users based on their search history during Afternoon hours when users tend to shop the most i.e. between 10 to 17 and 19 to 22 hours. This will result in users being lured into shopping what they were looking for.

The number of orders tend to decrease closer to salary date (end of month) and increases on 1st until 24th /25th of each month hence product recommendations / advertisements should be mainly focused on these days to help increase sales.

Evolution of E-commerce orders in the Brazil region:

> Get the month-on-month no. of orders placed in each state



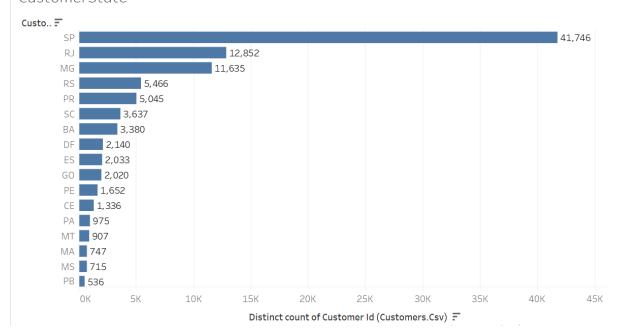


How are the customers distributed across all the states?

Query results

JOB IN	IFORMATION	RESULTS	JSON	EXE
Row /	customer_state	• //	Num_customers	× 7/
1	SP		417	
2	RJ		128	52
3	MG		116	35
4	RS		54	66
5	PR		50	45
6	SC		36	37
7	BA		33	80
8	DF		21	40
9	ES		20	33
10	GO		20	20
11	PE		16	52
12	CE		13	36

CustomerState



Insights:

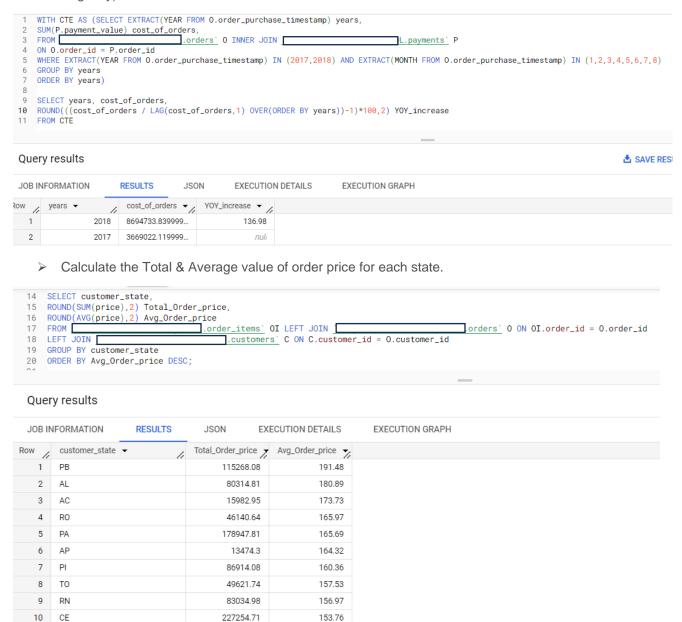
- The month-on-month number of orders percentage of Top 3 states with the greatest number of customers (SP, RJ, MG) shows a declining trend.
- Over 66.60% (66233 / 99441) Brazilian customers are from SP, RJ, MG states alone.
- Hence, assuming most of the sales come from customers ordering from these states.

Recommendations:

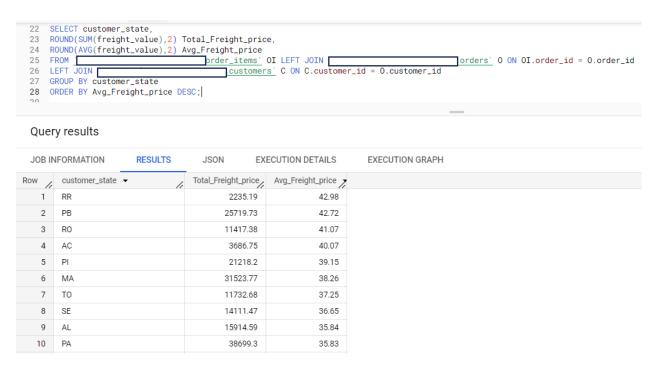
- Majority customer concentration is from only 3 out of 27 states, hence the recommendation is
 to have a strong foothold and increase marketing in other potentially high sales states like RS,
 PR, SC, BA as well to embody some diversification.
- Since the month-on-month number of orders for SP, RJ, MG states shows a declining trend, offer attractive products to increase the number of orders in these top states.
- Whilst also ensuring that the loyal customers stay loyal in states SP, RJ, MG.

Impact on Economy: Money movement by e-commerce by looking at order prices, freight and others.

> Get the % increase in the cost of orders from year 2017 to 2018 (include months between Jan to Aug only).



> Calculate the Total & Average value of order freight for each state.



Insights:

- There is almost 137% increase in the cost of orders in 2018 as opposed to 2017
- PB, AL, AC, RO, PA, PI, TO are in the Top 10 states with highest average order price and highest average freight price.
- This could be one of the major reasons for declining month-on-month number of orders for Top
 3 cities with the greatest number of customers who have ordered from XYZ Co..

Recommendation:

- Look to reduce the freight price, thus the cost of orders to generate more profit.
- Either the cost can be passed onto the consumers (which probably is the case here) but this
 will result in declining sales or orders.
- Or absorb the cost so sales do not decline but this will result in reduced profit hence impact stakeholders.

Analysis based on sales, freight and delivery time.

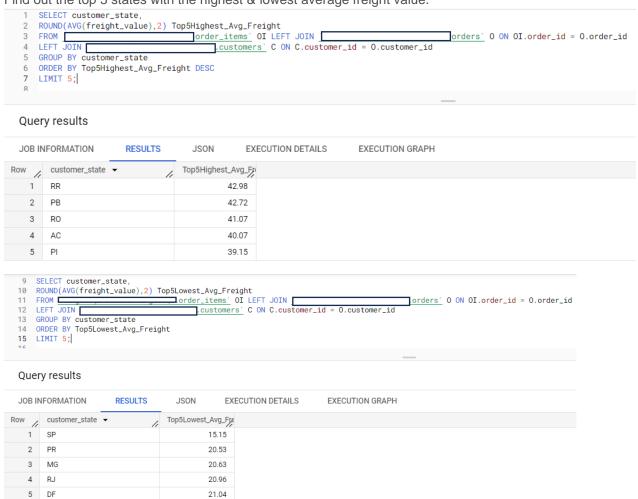
Find the no. of days taken to deliver each order from the order's purchase date as delivery time. Also, calculate the difference (in days) between the estimated & actual delivery date of an order. Do this in a single query.

You can calculate the delivery time and the difference between the estimated & actual delivery date using the given formula:

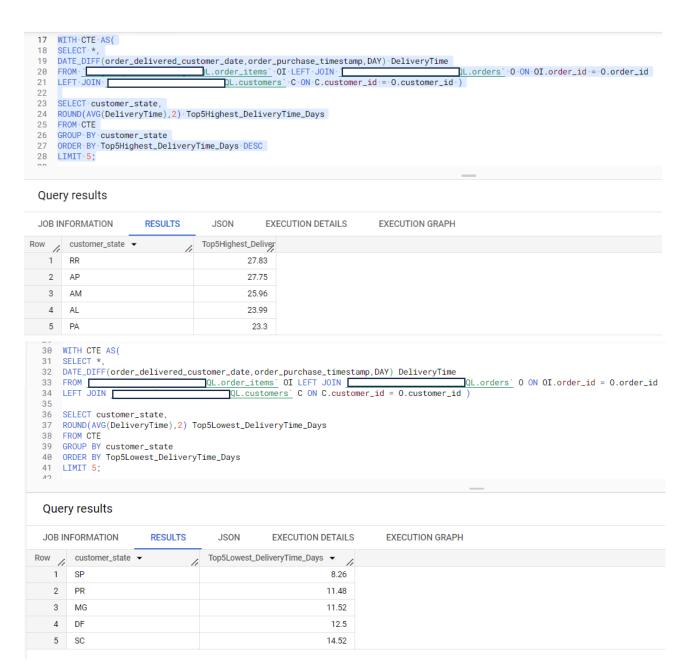
- **time_to_deliver** = order_delivered_customer_date order_purchase_timestamp
- diff_estimated_delivery = order_estimated_delivery_date order_delivered_customer_date

JOB IN	IFORMATION	RESULTS	JSON	EXECUTION DETAILS	EXECUTION GRAPH
Row /	order_id ▼	11	DeliveryTime ▼	DiffFromExpectedDe	
1	ca07593549f18	16d26a572e06	209	-181	
2	1b3190b2dfa9d	789e1f14c05b	208	-188	
3	440d0d17af5528	815d15a9e41a	19	-165	
4	2fb597c2f772ec	ea01b1f5c561b	194	-155	
5	0f4519c5f1c541	ddec9f21b3bd	194	-161	
6	285ab9426d698	2034523a855f	194	-166	
7	47b40429ed8cc	e3aee9199792	19	-175	
8	2fe324febf907e	3ea3f2aa9650	189	-167	
9	2d7561026d542	c8dbd8f0daea	188	-159	
10	437222e3fd1b07	7396f1d9ba8c	183	7 -144	
11	c27815f7e3dd0l	b926b5855262	183	7 -162	

Find out the top 5 states with the highest & lowest average freight value.

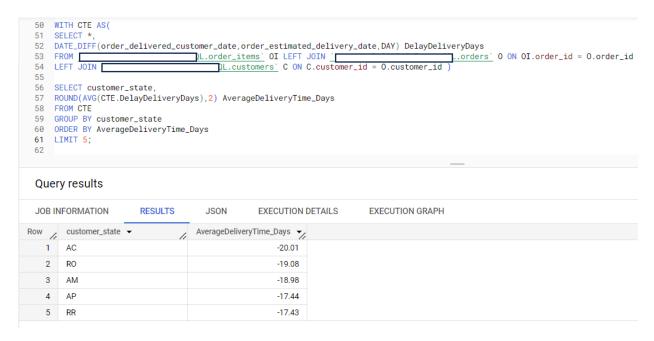


Find out the top 5 states with the highest & lowest average delivery time.



> Find out the top 5 states where the order delivery is really fast as compared to the estimated date of delivery.

You can use the difference between the averages of actual & estimated delivery date to figure out how fast the delivery was for each state.



Insights:

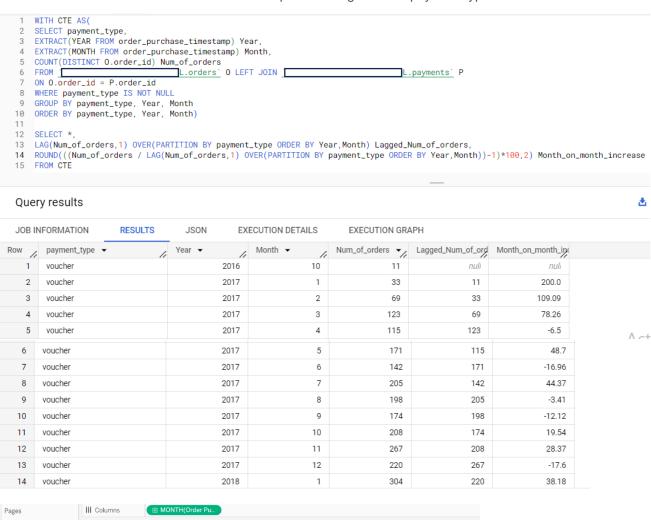
- Delivery for some orders is massively delayed by ~181 days (almost half a year)
- SP and MG, states with the greatest number of customers, also have the lowest average freight price, and delivery time.
- RR, AP, AM, AL, PA are states with highest average delivery time of ~23 to 27 days
- States AC, RO, AM, AP, RR have average delivery time ~17 to 20 days before estimated delivery dates.
- PB, AL, AC, RO, PA, PI, TO are in the Top 10 states with the highest average order price and highest average freight price.

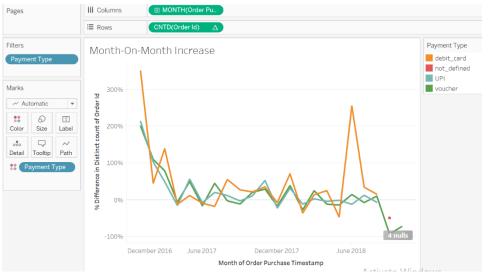
Recommendation:

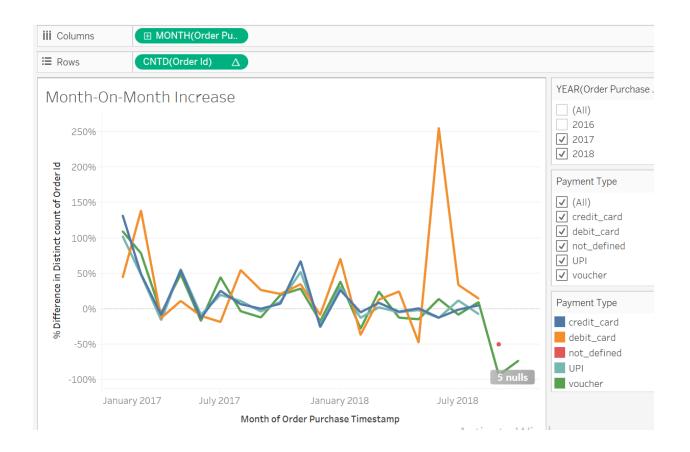
• Delivery time of orders needs to be reduced which will attract more customers.

Analysis based on the payments:

Find the month-on-month no. of orders placed using different payment types.



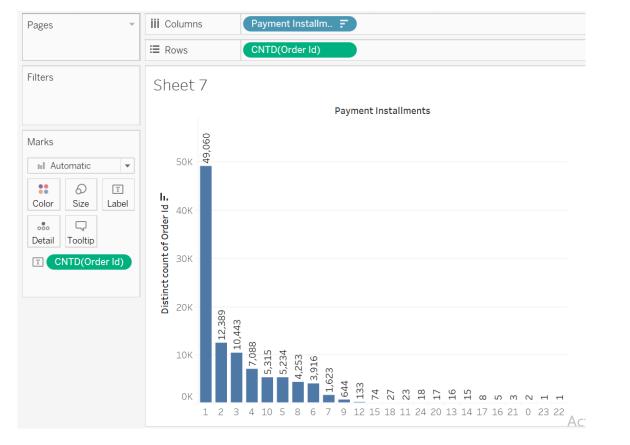




Find the no. of orders placed on the basis of the payment installments that have been paid.



JOB IN	JOB INFORMATION RESULTS		JSON	EXECUTION DETAILS	EXECUTION GRAPH
Row /	payment_installment	Num_of_orders	·//		
1	nuli		1		
2	0		2		
3	1	4900	50		
4	2	1238	89		
5	3	104	43		
6	4	708	88		
7	5	523	34		
8	6	39	16		
9	7	162	23		
10	8	425	53		
11	9	64	44		



Insights:

- Since 2016 only has data for one month, skipping that to calculate month-on-month number of orders.
- Overall, there is a percentage decline in the month-on-month number of orders placed using each payment method another indicator of reduction in total sales over time.
- There is still some stability in payments via debit card but other options are gradually declining.
- Maximum number of orders have payment installments ranging from 1 to 10, with 1 being the most preferred, followed by 2,3,4,10

Recommendation:

- Steps to be taken to ensure the percentage decline in number of orders is catered to as it is seen as an indicator though a lot of factors.
- Credit card, UPI, voucher are preferably not seen as more attractive as opposed to debit cards hence make tie-ups with banks to include offers for debit card to purchase XYZ Co. products.
- Provide attractive offers for 1 installment payment or payments with 2,3,4,10 installments as they seem to be the most preferred choice amongst Brazilian demographics.

Overall Actionable Insights & Recommendations

Actionable Insights:

- The dataset available is of customers' orders placed from 2016 to 2018 from over 27 different states & 4119 different cities in Brazil operations of XYZ Co. company.
- Note: Since, 2016 has only one month of data for last quarter, skipping that to calculate month-on-month data.
- Customer Demographics Data:
- o Total customers: 99,441
- Over 15.62% (15540 / 99441) customers of XYZ Co. in Brazil are from Sao Paulo city.
- o Over 35.23% (35042 / 99441) customers are in the Top 10 cities alone.
- Over 66.60% (66233 / 99441) Brazilian customers are from SP, RJ, MG states alone.
- Growing trend in the number of orders from 2016 to 2018 with a significant drop in Sep 2018.
- No monthly seasonality observed but in general there is a hike and drop every alternate month.
- Orders count decreases closer to salary date & increases from 1st until 24th /25th each month.
 (Assuming 28th 31st of each month is salary day)
- Orders mostly placed during Afternoon, followed by Night, Morning, Dawn. (Most orders are placed between 10 to 17 hours and 19 to 22 hours.)
- Overall, there is a percentage decline in the month-on-month number of orders for Top 3 states with the greatest number of customers (SP, RJ, MG) and for each payment method.
- There is almost 137% increase in the cost of orders from 2017 to 2018.
- PB, AL, AC, RO, PA, PI, TO are one of the Top 10 states with highest average order price and highest average freight price.
- SP and MG state with the greatest number of customers, also have the lowest average freight price, and delivery time.
- Delivery for some orders is massively delayed by ~181 days (almost half a year)
- RR, AP, AM, AL, PA are states with highest average delivery time of ~23 to 27 days
- AC, RO, AM, AP, RR have average deliveries ~17 to 20 days before estimated delivery dates.
- There is still some stability in payments via debit-card but other options are gradually declining.
- Maximum number of orders have payment installments ranging from 1 to 10, with 1 being the most preferred, followed by 2,3,4,10

Recommendation:

- Considering 66.60% of the Brazilian customers are from 3 states SP, RJ, MG It should be worth
 checking how much do orders from these states contribute towards total sales and profit in
 Brazil.
- Similar analysis for 15.62% demographics in Sao Paulo city and 35.23% in top 10 cities.
- It would be worth checking the reason for drop in the count of orders in September 2018 and additional data would help in understanding the seasonality factor better.

General Recommendation:

- To help increase sales, display product recommendations / advertisements to users based on their search history during Afternoon hours (between 10 to 17 and 19 to 22 hours) and mainly focused on 1st to 25th days of the month as users tend to shop the most during this period.
- Majority customer concentration is from only 3 out of 27 states in Brazil, hence the
 recommendation is to have a strong foothold and increase marketing in other potentially high
 sales states like RS, PR, SC, BA as well to embody some diversification whilst also ensuring that
 the loyal customers stay loyal in states like SP, RJ, MG.
- Although there is a growing trend for number of orders from 2017 to 2018, there is a percentage decline in the month-on-month number of orders for Top 3 states with the greatest number of customers (SP, RJ, MG) and for each payment method.
- Thus, assuming most of the sales come from customers in Top 3 states, there appears to be an overall decline in sales over time.
- Percentage decline in orders need to be catered to as it is being indicated by multiple factors like declining orders for each payment type and each Top 3 states (by customer count).

Cost Recommendation:

- Look to reduce the freight price, thus the cost of orders to generate more profit. If high cost of products is due to economic factors,
- Either the cost can be passed onto the consumers (which probably is the case here) but this will result in declining sales or orders.
- Or sellers can absorb the cost so sales do not decline but this will result in reduced profit hence impact stakeholders.
- Cost-benefit analysis of freight price and order price is required to understand where cost can
 be reduced or absorbed while ensuring that there I not much decline in the sales. Elasticity of
 products needs to be considered while performing this analysis.

Delivery Recommendation:

- Some states like AC, RO, AM, AP, RR have average deliveries way before estimated delivery
 date, hence some motivation from these states to be taken to improve logistics in states that
 have significantly delayed delivery timings.
- Delivery time of orders needs to be reduced as some orders are delayed by as much as half a year.
- Focusing on improving logistics and connectivity would be beneficial in reducing delivery time and attract more customers, this will in turn help in increasing the number of orders and sales.

Payment Recommendation:

- Credit card, UPI, voucher are preferably not seen as more attractive as opposed to debit cards hence make tie-ups with banks to include offers for debit card to purchase XYZ Co. products.
- Provide attractive offers for 1 installment payment or payments with 2,3,4,10 installments as they seem to be the most preferred choice amongst Brazilian demographics.