

# LIT THINK

## PREDICTING APP SUCCESS USING GOOGLE PLAYSTORE DATA SET

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### BUSINESS UNDERSTANDING

#### Problem Statement:

In the competitive landscape of the mobile app market, developers are constantly seeking ways to differentiate their apps and drive user engagement.

As of March 2024, there are approximately 3.55 million apps available on the Google Play Store while the Apple App Store has around 1.96 million apps available for download.

The number of new apps released each year has grown substantially. In 2016, 2.4 million apps were published and in 2023, approximately 62 thousand mobile apps were released through the Google Play Store and 26.4 thousand on the Apple App Store.

It's estimated that only 0.5% of apps are successful, meaning they get enough downloads and active users to be profitable.

Studies show that almost 68% of apps get below 1,000 downloads, nearly 18% get 1,000 or fewer active users, and another 7% close because they don't see enough revenue.

However, understanding what makes an app successful can be a complex task. This project aims to unravel this complexity by developing a classification model that identifies the key factors contributing to an app's success on the Google Play Store.

#### Why should developers care?

The insights derived from this model will not only guide developers in creating apps that resonate with users but also help them make informed decisions about feature development, user interface design, and marketing strategies. By predicting an app's success, developers can optimize resources, reduce risk, and increase the likelihood of their app's success in the marketplace.

#### Business Context:

The Google Play Store hosts a vast number of mobile applications across various categories. Understanding the factors that influence app ratings and user preferences is crucial for app developers, marketers, and stakeholders.

#### Stakeholders:

1. App Developers: They want to create successful apps that receive high ratings and downloads.
2. Marketers: They need insights to promote apps effectively.
3. Google Play Store: The platform aims to provide a positive user experience and attract more users.

#### Key Objective.

1. To model for app success based on the number of installations using classification models.

#### Other Objectives.

2. To identifying factors influencing app popularity.
3. To identify major app categories in the Play Store app.
4. To assess the relationships between app related features.
5. To assist developers to allocate their resources effectively.

## **Metric of Success**

Considering that our project is classification-based we considered precision (and accuracy) as the appropriate metric of success.

## **DATA UNDERSTANDING**

The [link \(https://www.kaggle.com/datasets/lava18/google-play-store-apps\)](https://www.kaggle.com/datasets/lava18/google-play-store-apps) to the Kaggle data set:

The Google Play Store dataset contains 10841 rows and 13 columns of information about numerous apps available on the platform, including:

App name - The name of the mobile application

Category - The category the app belongs to E.g- Family, Education

Ratings - The user rating of the app.

Reviews - The number of reviews the app has received

Size - The size of the app in terms of storage space

Installs - Contains the installations count(The number of times the app has been installed)

Type - Whether the app is free or paid

Price - The Price of the app if it's not free

Content rating - The target audience or the age group for which the app is suitable

Genres - The specific category of the app, which is similar to the category column

Last app update - The date when the app was last updated

Current app version - Current version number of the app

Android version - The minimum required android version to run the app

By analyzing this dataset, we can gain insights into the factors influencing app popularity, user engagement, and market trends within the Google Play Store ecosystem.

## **Importing libraries needed**

```
In [98]: # For data visualization
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import pandas as pd
import seaborn as sns
import numpy as np
import seaborn as sns
%matplotlib inline

# For data preprocessing

from scipy import stats
from scipy.stats import uniform, randint
from sklearn.preprocessing import LabelEncoder, StandardScaler
from sklearn.model_selection import cross_val_score, GridSearchCV, RandomizedSearchCV, train_test_split

# Importing models
from sklearn.ensemble import RandomForestClassifier, AdaBoostClassifier
from sklearn.neighbors import KNeighborsClassifier
from sklearn.svm import SVC
from sklearn.tree import DecisionTreeClassifier
!pip install xgboost
from xgboost import XGBClassifier
from sklearn.linear_model import LogisticRegression

# Importing evaluation metrics
from sklearn.metrics import ConfusionMatrixDisplay, accuracy_score, classification_report, confusion_matrix, p

# To filter out warnings
import warnings
warnings.filterwarnings('ignore')
```

Requirement already satisfied: xgboost in c:\users\dell\anaconda3\lib\site-packages (2.0.3)  
Requirement already satisfied: scipy in c:\users\dell\anaconda3\lib\site-packages (from xgboost) (1.12.0)  
Requirement already satisfied: numpy in c:\users\dell\anaconda3\lib\site-packages (from xgboost) (1.26.4)

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## 1. Data Understanding

Loading the Data

```
In [2]: #Loading the dataset
data = pd.read_csv(r"C:\Users\dell\Documents\Arnold_Moringa_work\Phase_5_Capstone project\googleplaystore.csv")
data2 = data.copy()
data2.head()
```

Out[2]:

	App	Category	Rating	Reviews	Size	Installs	Type	Price	Content Rating	Genres	Last Updated	Current Ver	Android Ver
0	Photo Editor & Candy Camera & Grid & ScrapBook	ART_AND_DESIGN	4.1	159	19M	10,000+	Free	0	Everyone	Art & Design	January 7, 2018	1.0.0	4.0.3 and up
1	Coloring book moana	ART_AND_DESIGN	3.9	967	14M	500,000+	Free	0	Everyone	Art & Design;Pretend Play	January 15, 2018	2.0.0	4.0.3 and up
2	U Launcher Lite – FREE Live Cool Themes, Hide ...	ART_AND_DESIGN	4.7	87510	8.7M	5,000,000+	Free	0	Everyone	Art & Design	August 1, 2018	1.2.4	4.0.3 and up
3	Sketch - Draw & Paint	ART_AND_DESIGN	4.5	215644	25M	50,000,000+	Free	0	Teen	Art & Design	June 8, 2018	Varies with device	4.2 and up
4	Pixel Draw - Number Art Coloring Book	ART_AND_DESIGN	4.3	967	2.8M	100,000+	Free	0	Everyone	Art & Design;Creativity	June 20, 2018	1.1	4.4 and up

```
In [3]: # Shape of the data

data2.shape
```

Out[3]: (10841, 13)

```
In [4]: # Info of the data

data2.info()

<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 10841 entries, 0 to 10840
Data columns (total 13 columns):
#   Column              Non-Null Count  Dtype
---  -
0   App                  10841 non-null  object
1   Category             10841 non-null  object
2   Rating               9367 non-null   float64
3   Reviews              10841 non-null  object
4   Size                 10841 non-null  object
5   Installs              10841 non-null  object
6   Type                 10840 non-null  object
7   Price                10841 non-null  object
8   Content Rating       10840 non-null  object
9   Genres                10841 non-null  object
10  Last Updated         10841 non-null  object
11  Current Ver          10833 non-null  object
12  Android Ver          10838 non-null  object
dtypes: float64(1), object(12)
memory usage: 1.1+ MB
```

In [5]:

# Statistics of the data

data2.describe(include='all')

Out[5]:

	App	Category	Rating	Reviews	Size	Installs	Type	Price	Content Rating	Genres	Last Updated	Current Ver	Android Ver
count	10841	10841	9367.000000	10841	10841	10841	10840	10841	10840	10841	10841	10833	10838
unique	9660	34	NaN	6002	462	22	3	93	6	120	1378	2832	33
top	ROBLOX	FAMILY	NaN	0	Varies with device	1,000,000+	Free	0	Everyone	Tools	August 3, 2018	Varies with device	4.1 and up
freq	9	1972	NaN	596	1695	1579	10039	10040	8714	842	326	1459	2451
mean	NaN	NaN	4.193338	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN
std	NaN	NaN	0.537431	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN
min	NaN	NaN	1.000000	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN
25%	NaN	NaN	4.000000	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN
50%	NaN	NaN	4.300000	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN
75%	NaN	NaN	4.500000	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN
max	NaN	NaN	19.000000	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN

In [6]:

# First five rows of the data

data2.head()

Out[6]:

	App	Category	Rating	Reviews	Size	Installs	Type	Price	Content Rating	Genres	Last Updated	Current Ver	Android Ver
0	Photo Editor & Candy Camera & Grid & ScrapBook	ART_AND_DESIGN	4.1	159	19M	10,000+	Free	0	Everyone	Art & Design	January 7, 2018	1.0.0	4.0.3 and up
1	Coloring book moana	ART_AND_DESIGN	3.9	967	14M	500,000+	Free	0	Everyone	Art & Design;Pretend Play	January 15, 2018	2.0.0	4.0.3 and up
2	U Launcher Lite – FREE Live Cool Themes, Hide ...	ART_AND_DESIGN	4.7	87510	8.7M	5,000,000+	Free	0	Everyone	Art & Design	August 1, 2018	1.2.4	4.0.3 and up
3	Sketch - Draw & Paint	ART_AND_DESIGN	4.5	215644	25M	50,000,000+	Free	0	Teen	Art & Design	June 8, 2018	Varies with device	4.2 and up
4	Pixel Draw - Number Art Coloring Book	ART_AND_DESIGN	4.3	967	2.8M	100,000+	Free	0	Everyone	Art & Design;Creativity	June 20, 2018	1.1	4.4 and up

2. Data Cleaning

In [7]:

# Identifying the outlier row

data2[data2['Rating'] == 19]

Out[7]:

	App	Category	Rating	Reviews	Size	Installs	Type	Price	Content Rating	Genres	Last Updated	Current Ver	Android Ver
10472	Life Made WI-Fi Touchscreen Photo Frame		1.9	19.0	3.0M	1,000+	Free	0	Everyone	NaN	February 11, 2018	1.0.19	4.0 and up

```
In [8]: # Dropping the above row  
  
data2 = data2[data2['Category'] != '1.9']
```

The observation for the above row is that it has mismatched values hence we dropped it

```
In [9]: # Checking for null values  
  
data2.isna().sum()
```

```
Out[9]: App                0  
Category                0  
Rating               1474  
Reviews                0  
Size                  0  
Installs              0  
Type                  1  
Price                 0  
Content Rating         0  
Genres                0  
Last Updated          0  
Current Ver           8  
Android Ver           2  
dtype: int64
```

```
In [10]: data2.dropna(subset=['Rating'],inplace=True)
```

We're dropping the missing values in the Rating column because we can't impute with values like mean or median as we would be interfering with the integrity of the column(Cause the ratings are true values)

```
In [11]: data2.isna().sum()
```

```
Out[11]: App                0  
Category                0  
Rating                0  
Reviews                0  
Size                  0  
Installs              0  
Type                  0  
Price                 0  
Content Rating         0  
Genres                0  
Last Updated          0  
Current Ver           4  
Android Ver           2  
dtype: int64
```

In [12]: `# Checking for duplicates`

```
data2.loc[data2.duplicated(keep=False)].sort_values(by='App')
```

Out[12]:

	App	Category	Rating	Reviews	Size	Installs	Type	Price	Content Rating	Genres	Last Updated	Current Ver	Android Version
1407	10 Best Foods for You	HEALTH_AND_FITNESS	4.0	2490	3.8M	500,000+	Free	0	Everyone 10+	Health & Fitness	February 17, 2017	1.9	2.3. and u
1393	10 Best Foods for You	HEALTH_AND_FITNESS	4.0	2490	3.8M	500,000+	Free	0	Everyone 10+	Health & Fitness	February 17, 2017	1.9	2.3. and u
2543	1800 Contacts - Lens Store	MEDICAL	4.7	23160	26M	1,000,000+	Free	0	Everyone	Medical	July 27, 2018	7.4.1	5.0 an u
2322	1800 Contacts - Lens Store	MEDICAL	4.7	23160	26M	1,000,000+	Free	0	Everyone	Medical	July 27, 2018	7.4.1	5.0 an u
2256	2017 EMRA Antibiotic Guide	MEDICAL	4.4	12	3.8M	1,000+	Paid	\$16.99	Everyone	Medical	January 27, 2017	1.0.5	4.0. and u
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.
2964	theScore: Live Sports Scores, News, Stats & Vi...	SPORTS	4.4	133825	34M	10,000,000+	Free	0	Everyone 10+	Sports	July 25, 2018	6.17.2	4.4 an u
3055	theScore: Live Sports Scores, News, Stats & Vi...	SPORTS	4.4	133833	34M	10,000,000+	Free	0	Everyone 10+	Sports	July 25, 2018	6.17.2	4.4 an u
3103	trivago: Hotels & Travel	TRAVEL_AND_LOCAL	4.2	219848	Varies with device	50,000,000+	Free	0	Everyone	Travel & Local	August 2, 2018	Varies with device	Varie wit devic
3118	trivago: Hotels & Travel	TRAVEL_AND_LOCAL	4.2	219848	Varies with device	50,000,000+	Free	0	Everyone	Travel & Local	August 2, 2018	Varies with device	Varie wit devic
3202	trivago: Hotels & Travel	TRAVEL_AND_LOCAL	4.2	219848	Varies with device	50,000,000+	Free	0	Everyone	Travel & Local	August 2, 2018	Varies with device	Varie wit devic

876 rows × 13 columns

In [13]: `# Dropping duplicates`

```
data2.drop_duplicates(inplace=True)
```

In [14]: `data2.duplicated().sum()`

Out[14]: 0

In [15]: `data2.shape`

Out[15]: (8892, 13)

From the above analysis, 876 duplicate values were found and dropped. The resulting dataset contains 8892 rows and 13 columns.

In [16]: `data2.info()`

```
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
Int64Index: 8892 entries, 0 to 10840
Data columns (total 13 columns):
#   Column          Non-Null Count  Dtype
---  -
0   App              8892 non-null   object
1   Category         8892 non-null   object
2   Rating           8892 non-null   float64
3   Reviews          8892 non-null   object
4   Size             8892 non-null   object
5   Installs         8892 non-null   object
6   Type             8892 non-null   object
7   Price            8892 non-null   object
8   Content Rating   8892 non-null   object
9   Genres           8892 non-null   object
10  Last Updated     8892 non-null   object
11  Current Ver      8888 non-null   object
12  Android Ver      8890 non-null   object
dtypes: float64(1), object(12)
memory usage: 972.6+ KB
```

Checking for consistency of data types across columns

We begin with the Reviews column whose values should be numeric but are currently stored as objects

In [17]: `data2['Reviews'] = data2['Reviews'].astype('int64')`

In the above code, we've converted the reviews column to an integer data type

## The size column

Dealing with Size column has two steps:

1. Changing the 'Varies with device' values to an agreed value - we decided to impute the values with 12Mb since it is the average size of most Android apps from research (From Chartboost)
2. Converting Mbs to kBs: 1MB = 1024 KB
3. Converting Varies with device with 12,288kb

```
In [18]: # Dealing with the size column.
def replace_MK_with_numbers(size):
    if 'M' in size:
        size = size.replace('M', '')
        return float(size) * 1024
    elif 'K' in size or 'k' in size:
        size = size.replace('K', '').replace('k', '')
        return float(size) * 1
    elif size == 'Varies with device':
        return 12288
    elif '+' in size:
        size = size.replace('+', '')
        size = size.replace(',', '') # remove comma
        return float(size)
    else:
        size = size.replace(',', '') # remove comma
        return float(size)
```

In [19]: `data2['Size'] = data2['Size'].apply(replace_MK_with_numbers)`

```
In [20]: # Renaming the Size column to Size(KB) for clarity

data2.rename(columns={'Size': 'Size(KB)'}, inplace=True)
```



```
In [21]: data2['Size(KB)'].sample(20)
```

```
Out[21]: 10741      1740.8
6546      12288.0
4834      69632.0
1654      77824.0
663       19456.0
4118      37888.0
5577      54272.0
10164     2457.6
7150      3379.2
7215      14336.0
6178      6553.6
4733      27648.0
4051      12288.0
5042      5734.4
9446      5427.2
5618      51200.0
2493      70656.0
7672      6451.2
7151      15360.0
6232      8908.8
Name: Size(KB), dtype: float64
```

```
In [22]: # Changing the Price column to numeric

data2['Price'] = data2['Price'].str.replace('$', '').astype(float)
```

```
In [23]: data2.dtypes
```

```
Out[23]: App                object
Category                object
Rating                 float64
Reviews                int64
Size(KB)               float64
Installs                object
Type                   object
Price                 float64
Content Rating         object
Genres                 object
Last Updated           object
Current Ver            object
Android Ver            object
dtype: object
```

```
In [24]: data2.head()
```

Out[24]:

	App	Category	Rating	Reviews	Size(KB)	Installs	Type	Price	Content Rating	Genres	Last Updated	Current Ver	And
0	Photo Editor & Candy Camera & Grid & ScrapBook	ART_AND_DESIGN	4.1	159	19456.0	10,000+	Free	0.0	Everyone	Art & Design	January 7, 2018	1.0.0	4 an
1	Coloring book moana	ART_AND_DESIGN	3.9	967	14336.0	500,000+	Free	0.0	Everyone	Art & Design;Pretend Play	January 15, 2018	2.0.0	4 an
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3	Sketch - Draw & Paint	ART_AND_DESIGN	4.5	215644	25600.0	50,000,000+	Free	0.0	Teen	Art & Design	June 8, 2018	Varies with device	4.2
4	Pixel Draw - Number Art Coloring Book	ART_AND_DESIGN	4.3	967	2867.2	100,000+	Free	0.0	Everyone	Art & Design;Creativity	June 20, 2018	1.1	4.4

Changes the installs column by removing the + and the comma

```
In [25]: # Converting to float and removing comma and plus

data2['Installs'] = data2['Installs'].astype(str) # convert to string
data2['Installs'] = data2['Installs'].str.replace('+', '')
data2['Installs'] = data2['Installs'].str.replace(',', '') # remove commas
data2['Installs'] = pd.to_numeric(data2['Installs'], errors='coerce')
```

```
In [26]: # Checking the maximum and minimum values to determine the bin size

print(data2['Installs'].min(), data2['Installs'].max())
```

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```
In [27]: data2.head(5)
```

Out[27]:

	App	Category	Rating	Reviews	Size(KB)	Installs	Type	Price	Content Rating	Genres	Last Updated	Current Ver	Android Version
0	Photo Editor & Candy Camera & Grid & ScrapBook	ART_AND_DESIGN	4.1	159	19456.0	10000	Free	0.0	Everyone	Art & Design	January 7, 2018	1.0.0	4.0 and up
1	Coloring book moana	ART_AND_DESIGN	3.9	967	14336.0	500000	Free	0.0	Everyone	Art & Design;Pretend Play	January 15, 2018	2.0.0	4.0 and up
2	U Launcher Lite – FREE Live Cool Themes, Hide ...	ART_AND_DESIGN	4.7	87510	8908.8	5000000	Free	0.0	Everyone	Art & Design	August 1, 2018	1.2.4	4.0 and up
3	Sketch - Draw & Paint	ART_AND_DESIGN	4.5	215644	25600.0	50000000	Free	0.0	Teen	Art & Design	June 8, 2018	Varies with device	4.2 and up
4	Pixel Draw - Number Art Coloring Book	ART_AND_DESIGN	4.3	967	2867.2	100000	Free	0.0	Everyone	Art & Design;Creativity	June 20, 2018	1.1	4.4 and up

## EDA

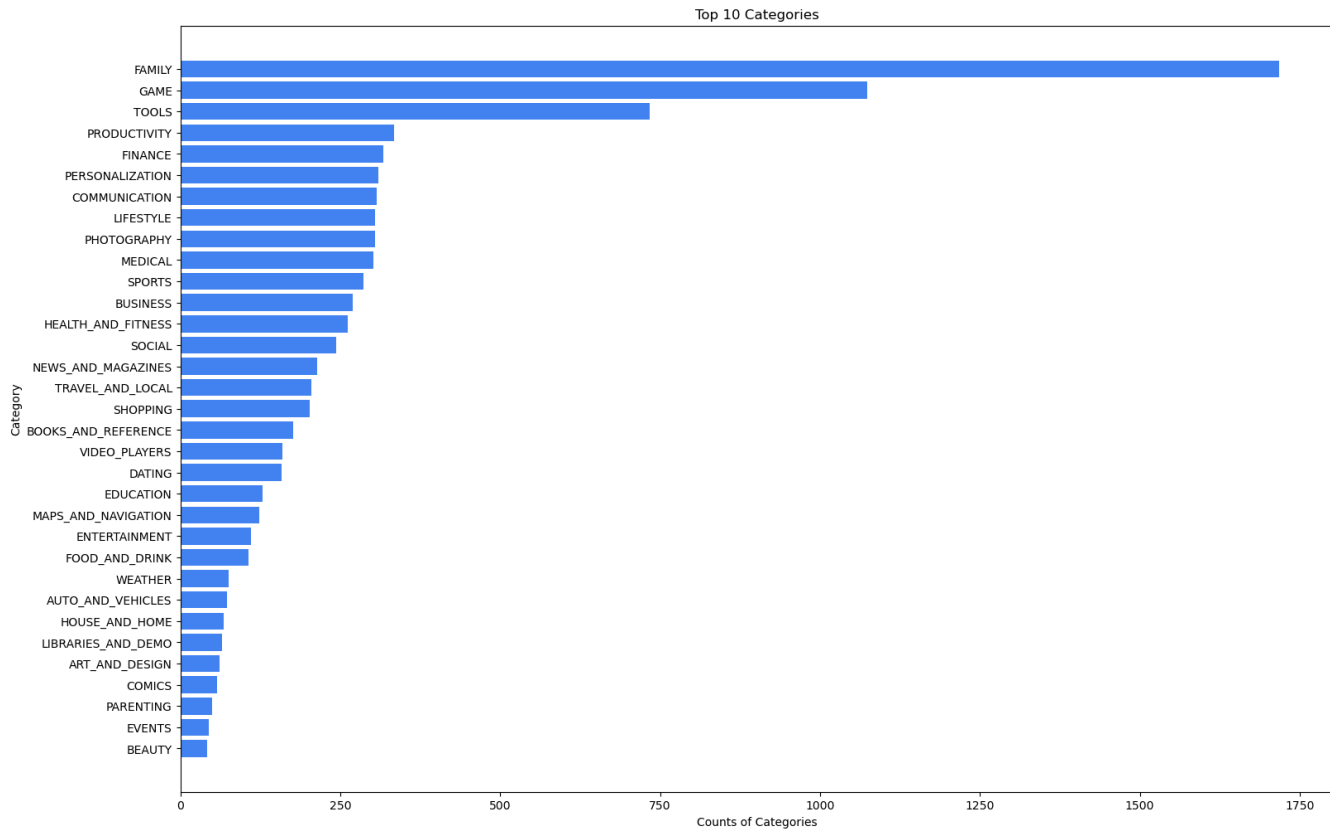
### 1. Univariate Analysis

i) Plotting Counts of Categories

```
In [28]: # Fetching top 20 categories
top_10_categories = data2['Category'].value_counts()

# Reverse the order of categories
top_10_categories = top_10_categories[::-1]

plt.figure(figsize=(18, 12))
plt.barh(top_10_categories.index, top_10_categories.values, color=sns.color_palette(["#4285F4"]))
plt.xlabel('Counts of Categories')
plt.ylabel('Category')
plt.title('Top 10 Categories')
plt.show()
```

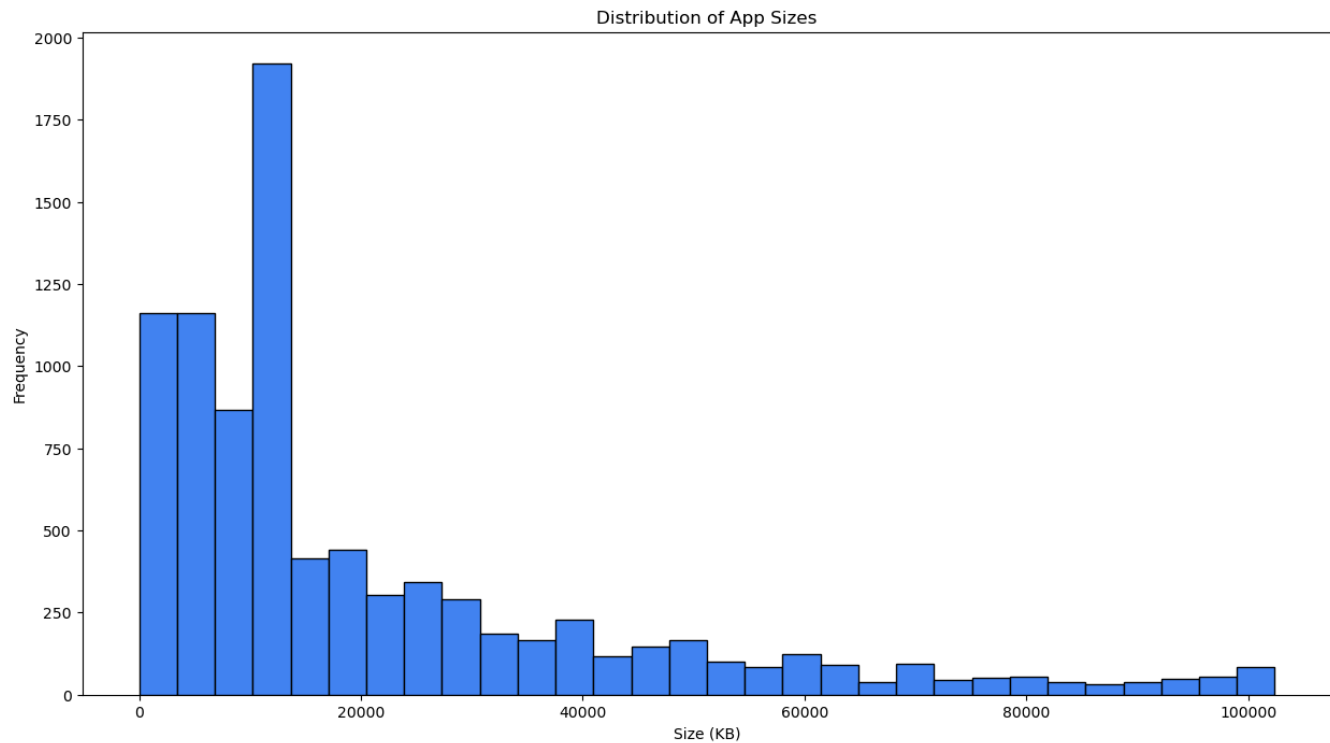


Category Family has most application as well as category game then tools.

ii) Visualizing the Sizes of the Apps

In [29]: `# Histogram showing Sizes of the Apps`

```
plt.figure(figsize=(15, 8))
plt.hist(data2['Size(KB)'], bins=30, color=sns.color_palette(["#4285F4"]), edgecolor='black')
plt.xlabel('Size (KB)')
plt.ylabel('Frequency')
plt.title('Distribution of App Sizes')
plt.show()
```



Most of the installed apps are in the marked range from 0 to around (12MB). We observe that very few apps lie above 40,000KB (40MB) due to the high cost of running and developing the app.

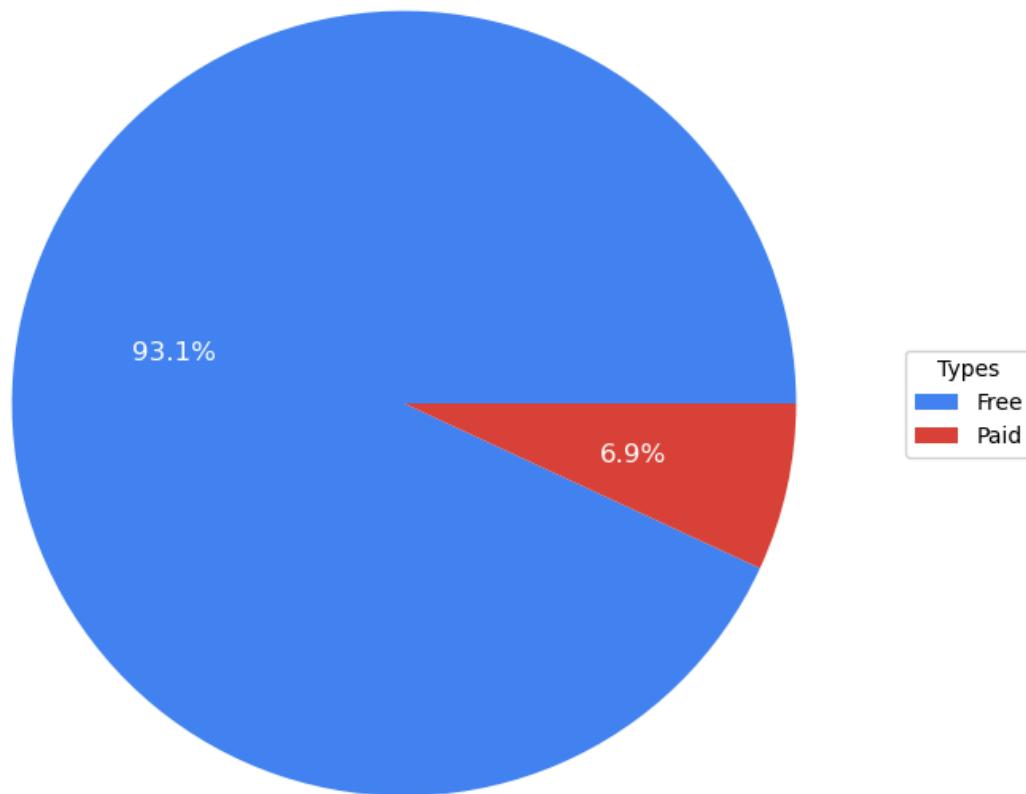
Developers should focus on optimizing code and resources to keep the app sizes minimal. This ensures faster downloads and smoother performance for end users.

### iii) Visualizing the App Types

App Types Using a Pie Chart

```
In [30]: # Pie chart showing percentages of types

type_counts = data2['Type'].value_counts()
plt.figure(figsize=(15, 8))
plt.pie(type_counts, labels=type_counts.index, autopct='%1.1f%%', colors=["#4285F4", "#DB4437"], textprops={'fontcolor': 'white'})
plt.legend(type_counts.index, title="Types", loc="center left", bbox_to_anchor=(1, 0, 0.5, 1))
plt.title('Percentage of App Install Types', color='white')
plt.show()
```



From the above pie chart, it is evident that 93.1%( approximately 10,092 of the 10,841 reviewed) are freely available to download from the Play Store.

Since the market shows a greater inclination to free apps over paid apps, developers should consider other streams of revenue generation such as monetizing ads in the developed apps.

Since users are evidently less inclined to spend on apps, developers should ensure that the consumers derive maximum value for money from the apps, as well as reducing the overall cost of purchasing the apps.

iv) Pie Chart for content rating column

```
In [31]: data2['Content Rating'].unique()
```

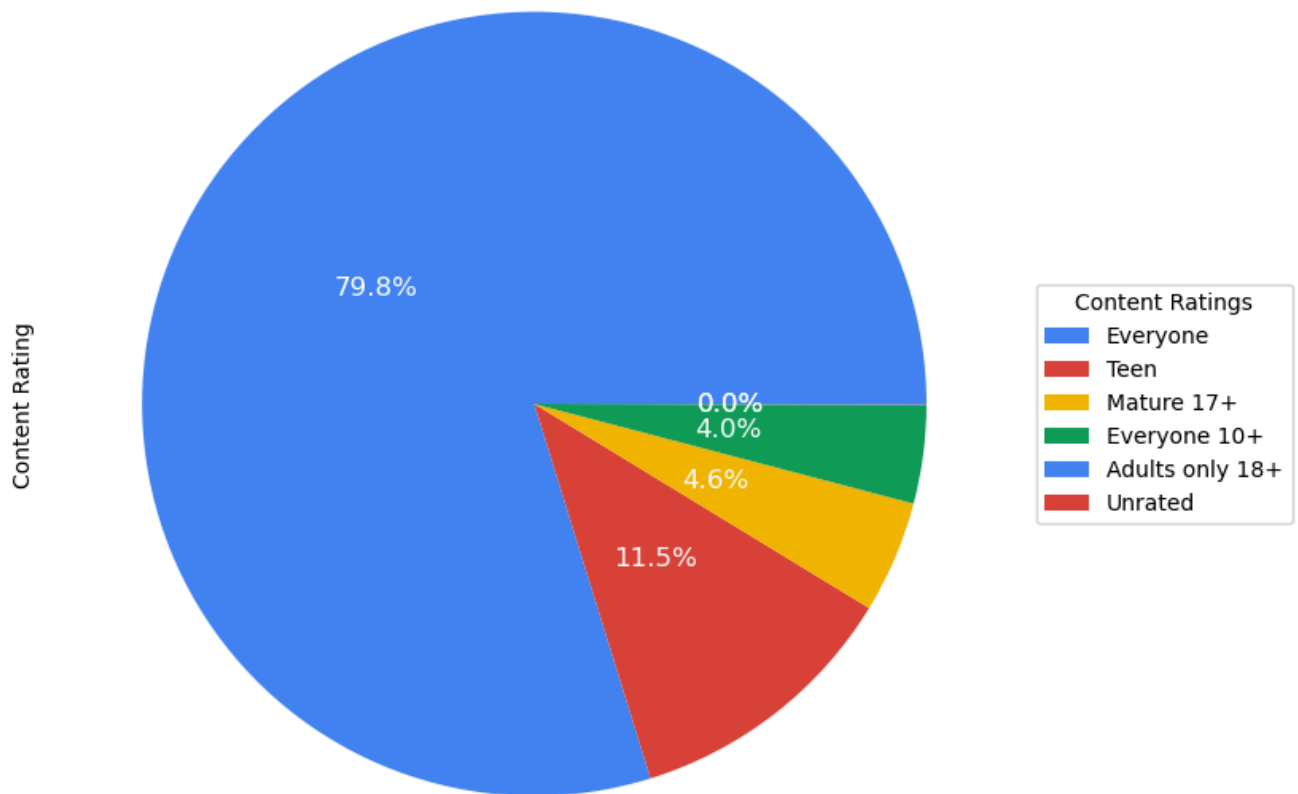
```
Out[31]: array(['Everyone', 'Teen', 'Everyone 10+', 'Mature 17+',  
               'Adults only 18+', 'Unrated'], dtype=object)
```

```
In [32]: # Defining the color codes
colors = ["#4285F4", '#DB4437', '#F4B400', '#0F9D58']

# Plotting the pie chart
data2['Content Rating'].value_counts().plot(kind='pie', figsize=(8, 8), autopct='%1.1f%%', pctdistance=0.5, te

plt.title('Distribution of Content Ratings',color='white')
plt.legend(data2['Content Rating'].value_counts().index, title="Content Ratings", loc="center left", bbox_to_a

plt.show()
```



Most of the apps developed were rated for everyone at 80.9% , followed by teen at 11.2% while adults only had the least. This indicates a significant preference for apps designed for all age groups. Therefore, a developer should focus on creating an app that is suitable for all age groups as this appears to be the larger market.

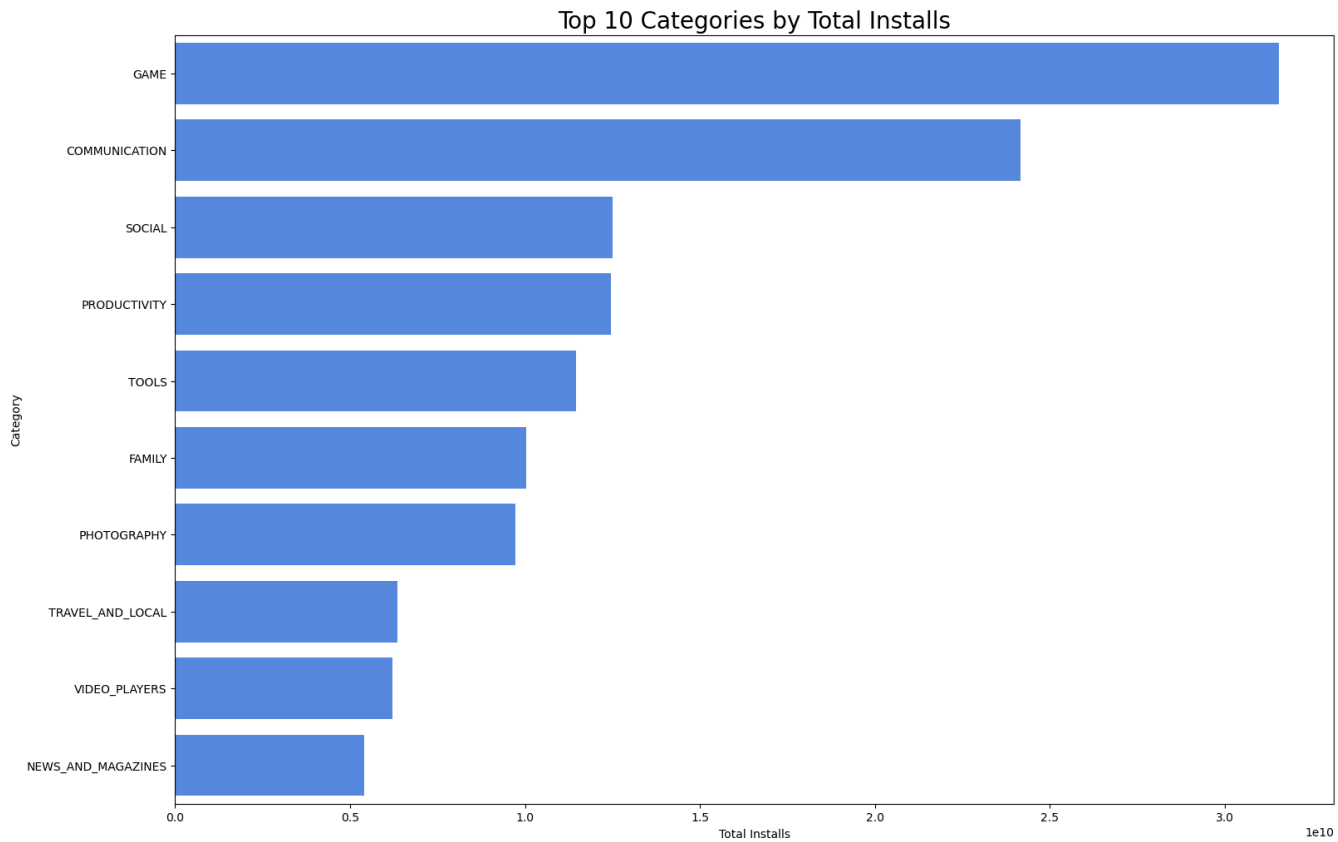
However, there is need for developers to undertake further extensive market research for each of the age groups identified above in order to address specific gaps per category.

## 2. Bivariate Analysis

i) Categories with the highest number of installs

```
In [33]: # Grouping Category and Installs
category_highest_installs = data2.groupby('Category')['Installs'].sum().sort_values(ascending=False).head(10)

# Create a horizontal bar plot
plt.figure(figsize=(18, 12))
sns.barplot(x=category_highest_installs.values, y=category_highest_installs.index, palette=sns.color_palette([
plt.title("Top 10 Categories by Total Installs", size=20)
plt.xlabel("Total Installs")
plt.ylabel("Category")
plt.show()
```



From the above plot, Game Category has the most number of Installs, followed by Communication and Social. Developers should consider creating apps in these categories. This is because such apps could potentially lead to higher visibility and download due to the popularity and demand for these types of apps.

As for the unpopular apps, the developer should consider ways to boost popularity using various ways such as targeted marketing in order to boost number of installs.

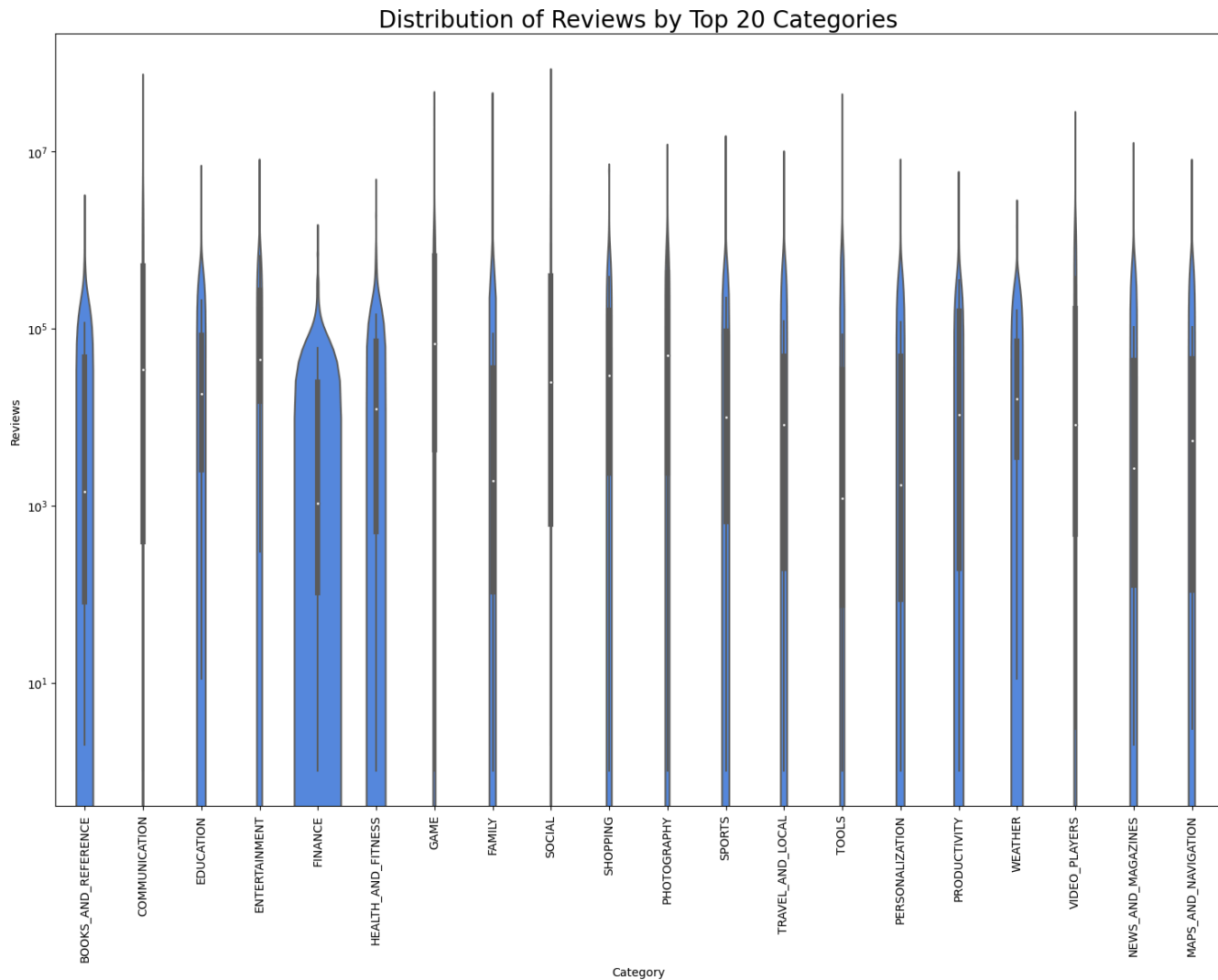
ii) Distribution of Reviews by top 20 Categories

```
In [34]: # Calculate the sum of reviews for each category
category_reviews = data2.groupby('Category')['Reviews'].sum()

# Sort the categories based on the sum of reviews and select the top 20
top_categories = category_reviews.sort_values(ascending=False).head(20).index

# Filter the data to include only the top 20 categories
data_top20 = data2[data2['Category'].isin(top_categories)]

# Plot the violin plot for the top 20 categories
plt.figure(figsize=(18, 12))
sns.violinplot(x='Category', y='Reviews', data=data_top20, palette=sns.color_palette(["#4285F4"]))
plt.title("Distribution of Reviews by Top 20 Categories", size=20)
plt.xlabel("Category")
plt.ylabel("Reviews")
plt.xticks(rotation=90) # Rotate x-axis labels for better readability if needed
plt.yscale("log") # Use log scale for better visualization as it compresses the data.
plt.show()
```



For a violin plot, a thicker plot at the middle indicates that the majority/broader spread of the data points around that category. Hence the violin plot above, indicates that finance had the highest number of reviews followed by books and references then health and fitness.

Since Finances has the highest number of reviews yet doesn't have the most installs, developers should actively monitor and address user feedback (in form of reviews) in order to improve customer satisfaction and potentially increase the number of installations.

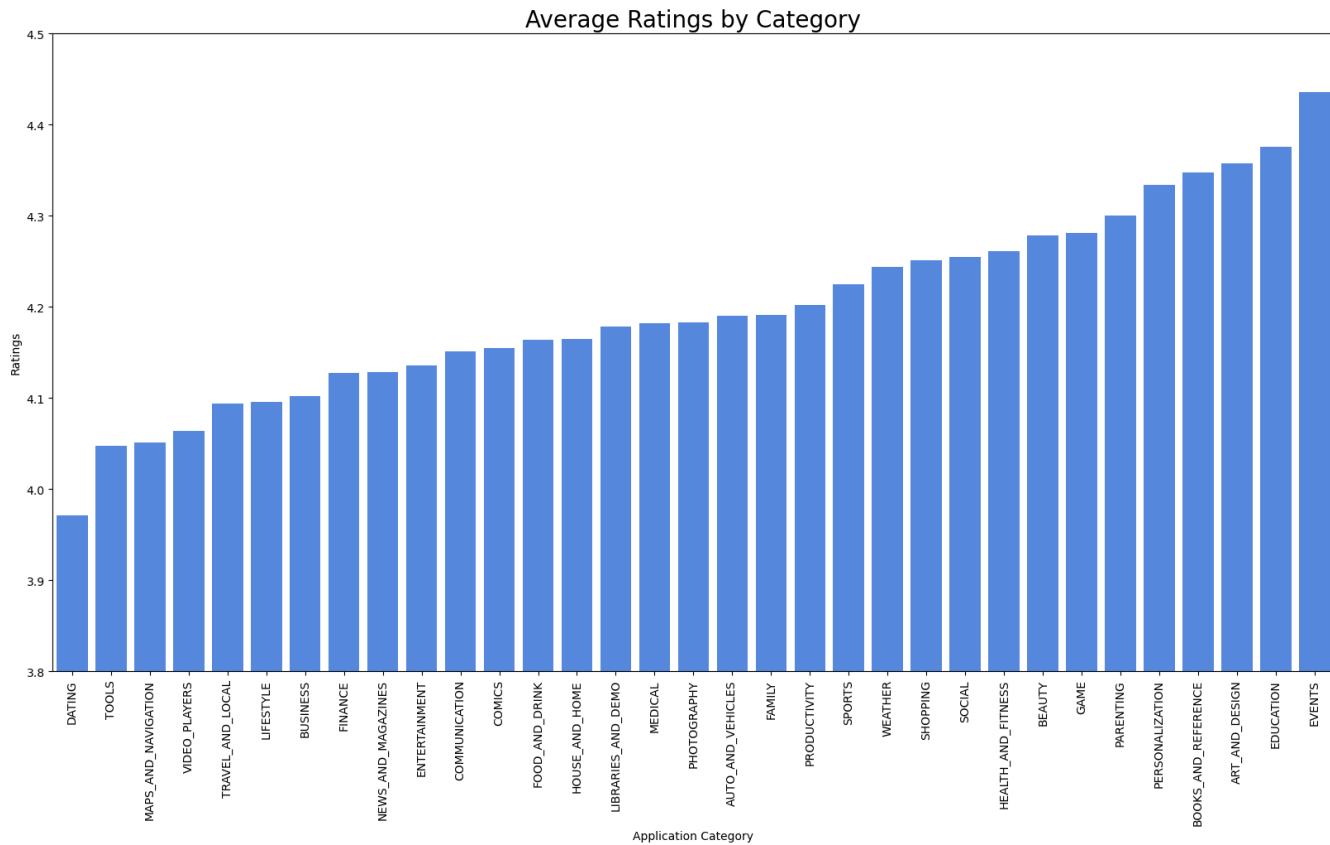
iii) Categories with highest and lowest ratings



```
In [35]: result = data2.groupby(["Category"])[ 'Rating' ].aggregate(np.mean).reset_index().sort_values('Rating')

plt.figure(figsize=(20,10))
sns.barplot(x=data2.Category, y=data2.Rating,ci=None,order=result['Category'],palette=sns.color_palette("#428

plt.xticks(rotation = 90)
plt.ylim(3.8,4.5)
plt.xlabel('Application Category')
plt.ylabel('Ratings')
plt.title('Average Ratings by Category',size=20)
plt.show()
```



Events had the highest rating and dating the lowest.

With an average rating of 4.3 and above, categories like events, education and art and design, though highly rated, still have room for improvement. A developer seeking to create an app should leverage feedback (in form of reviews) and combine this with the strengths showcased by such apps to come up with an outstanding app.

With the low rated apps, such as dating, tools and maps and navigation, the developer should do the same as above in order to come up with an outstanding app.

iv) Top 10 highest and lowest rated apps

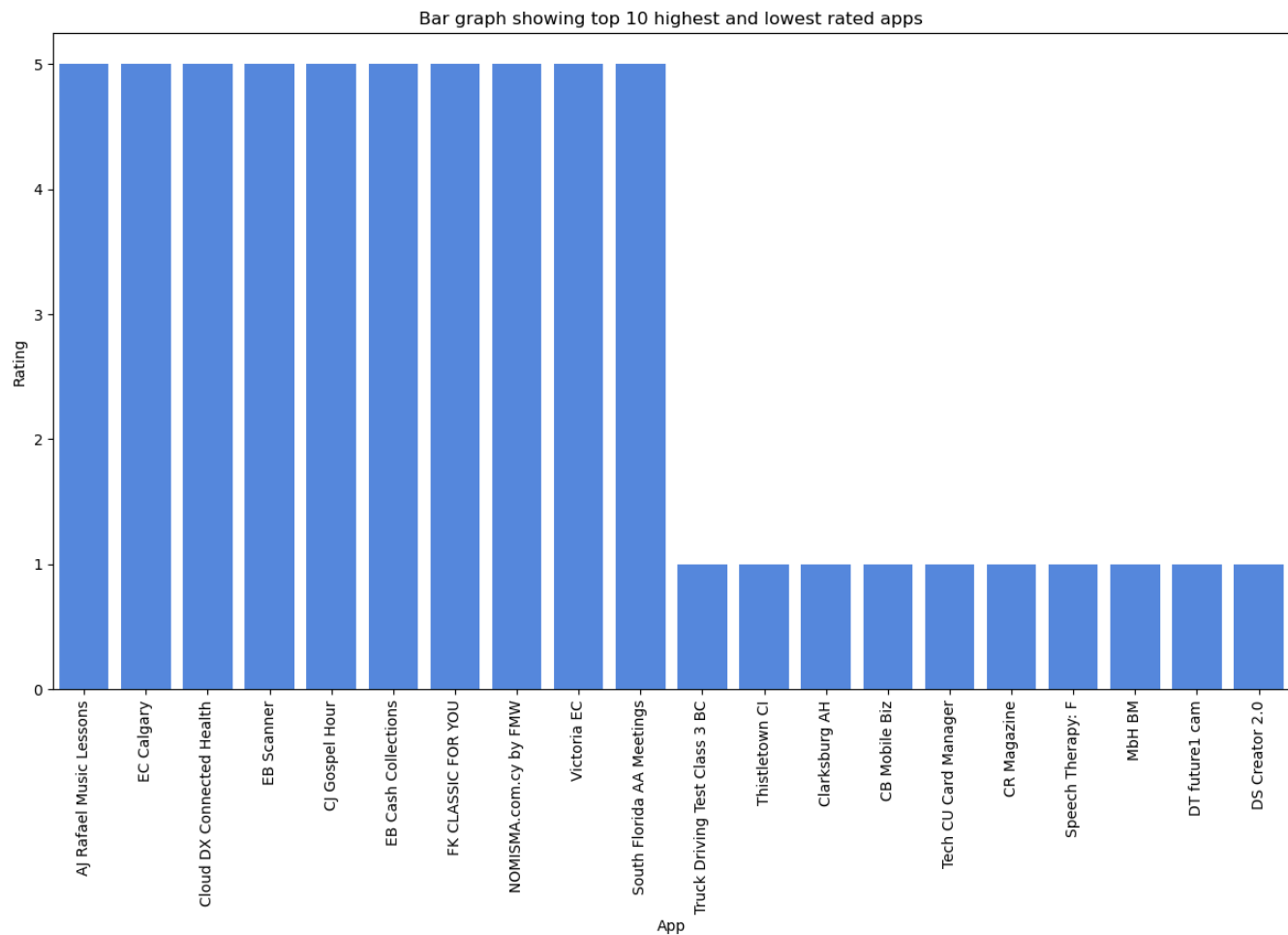
```
In [36]: # Group by 'App' and calculate the mean rating for each app
app_ratings = data2.groupby('App')['Rating'].mean().reset_index()

# Sort by rating in descending order to get top 10 highest rated apps
top_10 = app_ratings.sort_values(by='Rating', ascending=False).head(10)

# Sort by rating in ascending order to get top 10 lowest rated apps
bottom_10 = app_ratings.sort_values(by='Rating', ascending=True).head(10)

# Concatenate the top and bottom 10 rated apps
df = pd.concat([top_10, bottom_10])

# Plot the bar graph
plt.figure(figsize=(15, 8))
plt.xticks(rotation=90)
plt.title('Bar graph showing top 10 highest and lowest rated apps')
sns.barplot(data=df, x='App', y='Rating', palette=sns.color_palette("#4285F4"), orient='v')
plt.show()
```



The top 3 highest rated apps are Dr Bk Sachin bhai, Clinic Doctor and EP Church Annapolis. We noted that the highest rated apps whigot 5 while the lowest ranged below 1.

By examining the highest-rated apps, developers can benchmark their own apps against successful ones. They gain insights into what features, design elements, or functionalities contribute to positive user experiences.

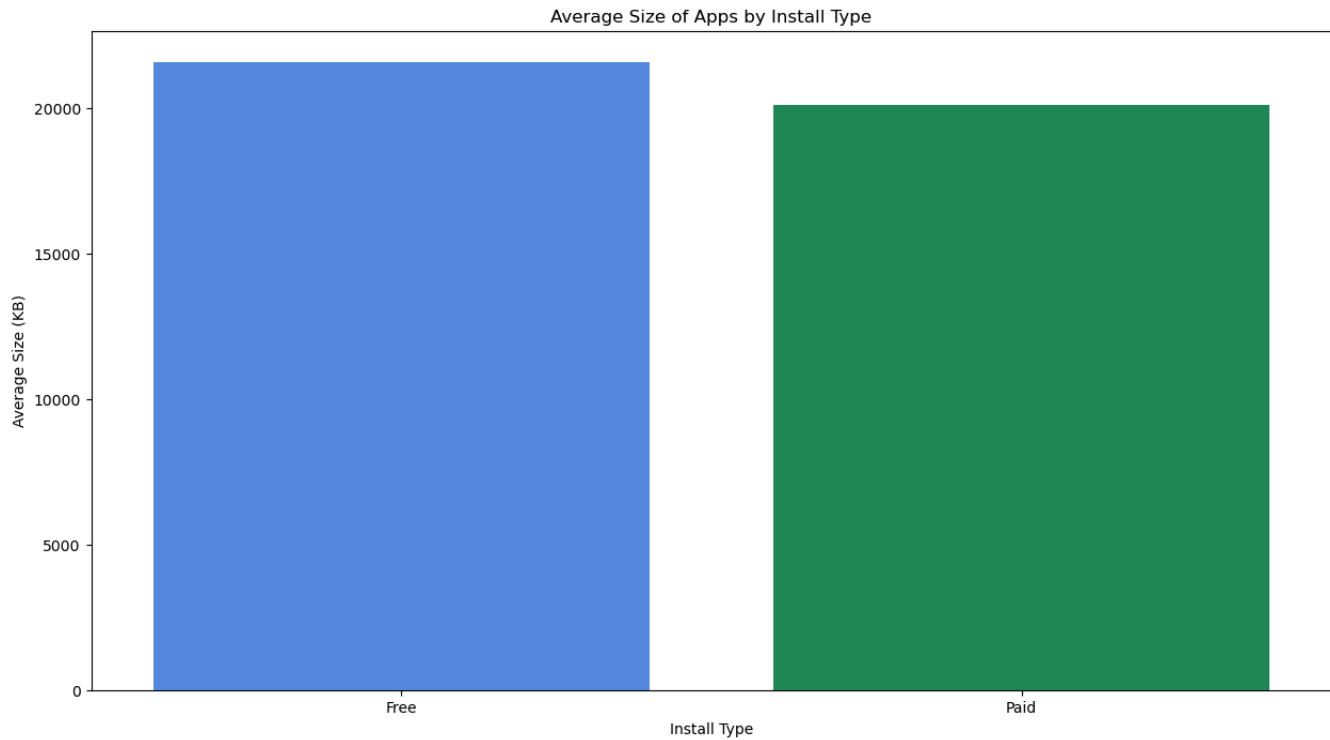
v) Visualizing the App Size by Type of Install

```
In [37]: # Bar Plot showing average app size by type of install

avg_size_by_type = data2.groupby('Type')['Size(KB)'].mean().reset_index()
plt.figure(figsize=(15, 8))

# Specifying colors to use
colors = ["#4285F4", "#0F9D58"]

sns.barplot(data=avg_size_by_type, x='Type', y='Size(KB)', palette=sns.color_palette(colors))
plt.xlabel('Install Type')
plt.ylabel('Average Size (KB)')
plt.title('Average Size of Apps by Install Type')
plt.show()
```



The average size of free apps was higher than the paid ones.

This insight suggests that developers of free apps may prioritize offering a richer user experience or including additional features to attract and retain users, potentially leading to larger file sizes. Conversely, developers of paid apps may focus more on optimizing app size while still delivering value to justify the purchase, resulting in slightly smaller average sizes. Understanding this relationship can inform developers' decisions regarding app development strategies, pricing models, and resource allocation to meet user expectations effectively.

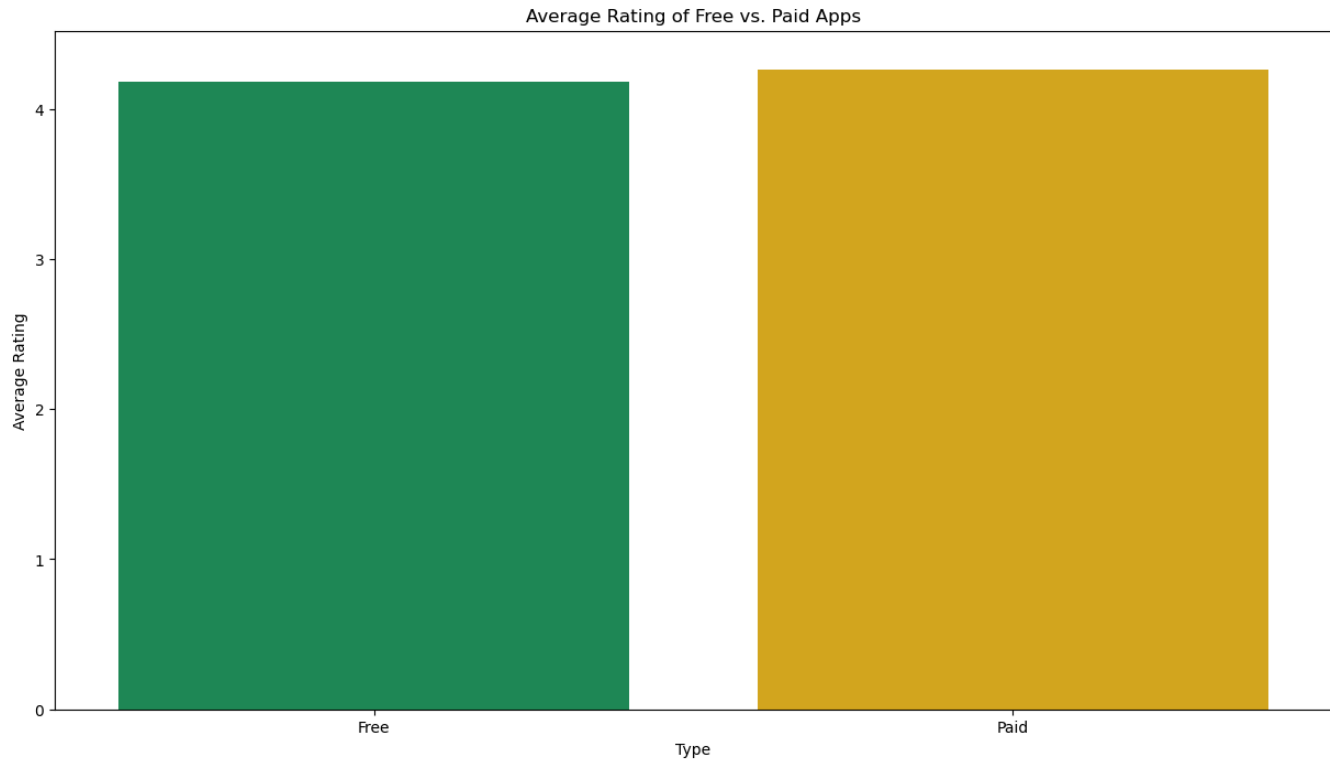
vi) Visualizing Average Rating by Type

```
In [38]: # Calculate average rating by Type
average_rating_by_type = data2.groupby('Type')['Rating'].mean()

# Print the average rating for Free and Paid apps
print("Average Rating for Free Apps:", average_rating_by_type['Free'])
print("Average Rating for Paid Apps:", average_rating_by_type['Paid'])

# visualizing the average rating for the types of installs
plt.figure(figsize=(15, 8))
colors = ["#0F9D58", "#F4B400"]
sns.barplot(data=data2, x='Type', y='Rating', errwidth=0, palette=sns.color_palette(colors))
plt.title('Average Rating of Free vs. Paid Apps')
plt.xlabel('Type')
plt.ylabel('Average Rating')
plt.show()
```

Average Rating for Free Apps: 4.182425413697307  
Average Rating for Paid Apps: 4.2615008156606855



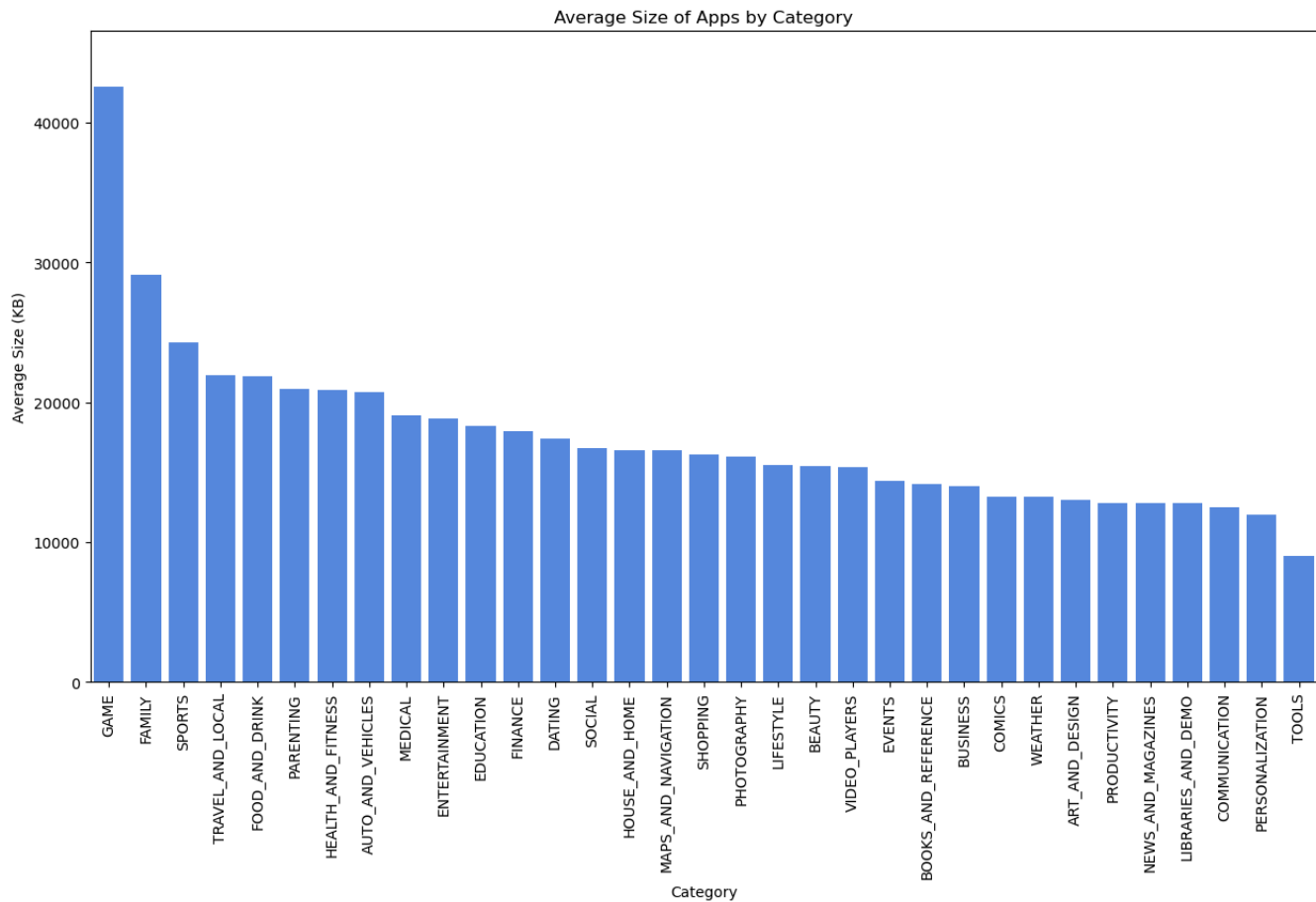
We note that paid apps were rated higher.

From the above graph, it is observed that most paid apps were higher rated than free applications. While this difference is minimal, it may be attributable to a number of reasons; for example, most paid apps are ad-free, have a smaller user base, and provide more functionality than free apps leading to overall greater client satisfaction. Developers should therefore strive to strike a balance between user experience, overall quality, and feedback implementation from ratings and reviews, regardless of the app monetization strategy.

vii) Visualizing average app size by category

```
In [39]: # Visualizing the average size of apps by category

plt.figure(figsize=(15, 8))
sns.barplot(data=data2, x='Category', y='Size(KB)', errwidth=0,
            order=data2.groupby('Category')['Size(KB)'].mean().sort_values(ascending=False).index, palette=sns.c
plt.title('Average Size of Apps by Category')
plt.xlabel('Category')
plt.ylabel('Average Size (KB)')
plt.xticks(rotation=90)
plt.show()
```



Game, Family and Sports categories have higher averages sizes in KB, ranging from 20000 to 40000 KB.

The analysis of average app sizes by category reveals intriguing insights into user preferences and app development trends. Gaming apps emerge as the category with the largest average size, indicating a prevalence of high-quality graphics and multimedia content. Conversely, utility-focused categories like "TOOLS" boast smaller average sizes, reflecting a prioritization of functionality over multimedia elements. This variance underscores the diverse needs and expectations of users across different app categories. Developers may leverage these insights to optimize app sizes, balancing user expectations with resource efficiency.

viii) Stacked Bar Chart for Content Rating of App Categories

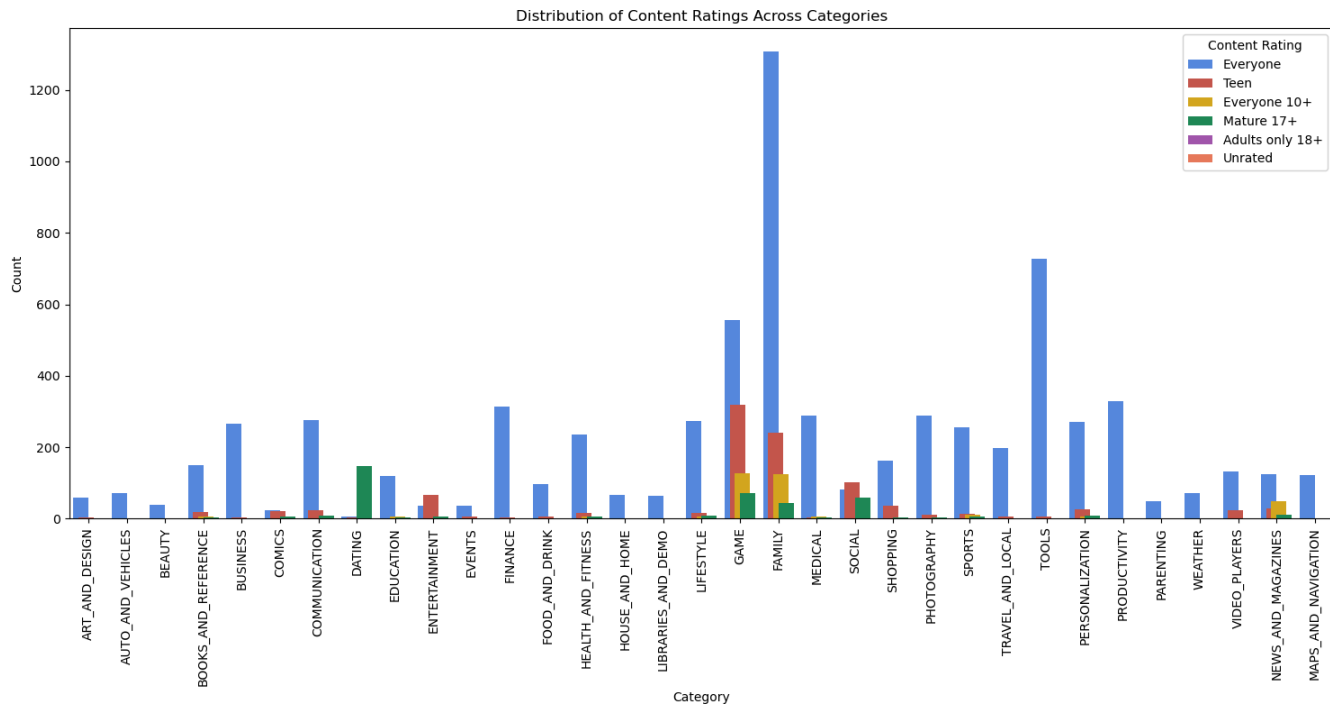
```
In [40]: plt.figure(figsize=(15, 8))

# Colors
colors = ['#4285F4', '#DB4437', '#F4B400', '#0F9D58', '#AB47BC', '#FF7043', '#9E9E9E']

sns.countplot(data=data2, x='Category', hue='Content Rating', palette=sns.color_palette(colors))
plt.xticks(rotation=90)
plt.title('Distribution of Content Ratings Across Categories')
plt.xlabel('Category')
plt.ylabel('Count')
plt.legend(title='Content Rating')

# The line below is for adjusting the width of the bars so that they're not too thin
for patch in plt.gca().patches:
    patch.set_width(0.4)

plt.tight_layout()
plt.show()
```



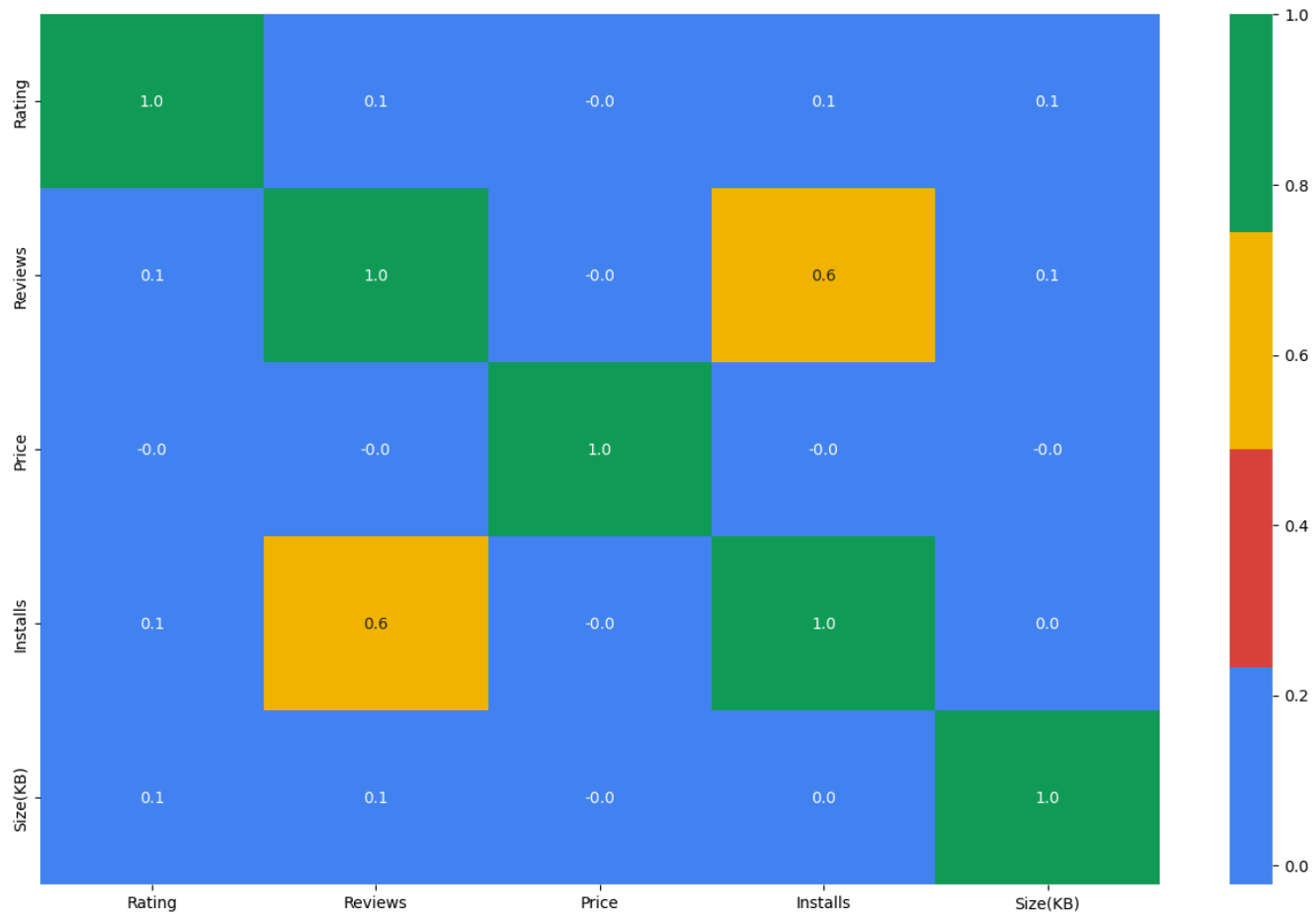
The category that had the highest content rating was family,tools and game.

### 3. Multivariate Analysis

Plotting the correlation of columns

```
In [41]: plt.figure(figsize=(16, 10))
numeric_cols = ['Rating', 'Reviews', 'Price', 'Installs', 'Size(KB)']

# Specifying color codes and assigning them to the variable custom_palette
custom_palette = sns.color_palette(['#4285F4', '#DB4437', '#F4B400', '#0F9D58'])
sns.heatmap(data2[numeric_cols].corr(), annot=True, fmt=".1f", cmap=custom_palette)
plt.show()
```



The correlation matrix provides valuable insights into the relationships between different numerical variables in the dataset. One notable observation is the positive correlation between the number of reviews and the number of installs, with a correlation coefficient of approximately 0.63.

This suggests that apps with a higher number of reviews tend to have more installs, indicating a positive relationship between user engagement and app popularity. Additionally, we observe a positive correlation between app size and the number of reviews, with a correlation coefficient of around 0.10. This implies that larger apps may attract more user feedback, possibly due to their increased functionality or complexity.

However, the correlation between app size and installs appears to be weaker, indicating that app size alone may not be a significant factor in determining app popularity. Finally, the correlation between app price and other variables, including reviews and installs, is negligible, suggesting that app pricing is largely independent of these factors. Overall, these insights provide valuable guidance for app developers in understanding user behavior and optimizing their app strategies to enhance user engagement and satisfaction.

## Feature Engineering

Checking if our target variable which is Installs, is normally distributed using the Shapiro-Wilk Test

```
In [42]: ▶ shapiro_test_stat, shapiro_p_value = stats.shapiro(data2['Installs'])
print("Shapiro-Wilk Test Statistic:", shapiro_test_stat)
print("Shapiro-Wilk Test p-value:", shapiro_p_value)

# Kurtosis and skewness
kurtosis_val = data2['Installs'].kurtosis()
skewness_val = data2['Installs'].skew()
print("Kurtosis:", kurtosis_val)
print("Skewness:", skewness_val)
```

```
Shapiro-Wilk Test Statistic: 0.16971080904485414
Shapiro-Wilk Test p-value: 4.381875001399748e-107
Kurtosis: 96.47832858464457
Skewness: 9.375744518924014
```

Since the p-value is less than the significance level (typically 0.05), we reject the null hypothesis of normality. This means that there is sufficient evidence to conclude that the data is not normally distributed.

Additionally, the high values of kurtosis (112.85) and skewness (10.13) indicate that the distribution is highly skewed and has heavy tails compared to a normal distribution. These values further support the conclusion that the data is not normally distributed.

## 1. Binning the Installs Column

Since the column is not normally distributed, we used quantiles to segment the data into low, medium, high and very high bins.

```
In [43]: ▶ # Define the quantiles
quantiles = [0, 0.25, 0.5, 0.75, 1]

# Compute the quantiles of the 'InstallsTest' column
install_quantiles = data2['Installs'].quantile(quantiles)

# Define the labels for the quantiles
labels = ['Low', 'Medium', 'High', 'Very High']

# Add a new column indicating the quantile category
data2['InstallCategory'] = pd.cut(data2['Installs'], bins=install_quantiles, labels=labels, include_lowest=True)

# Print the value counts for each category
print(data2['InstallCategory'].value_counts())
```

```
Low          2752
High         2169
Medium       2088
Very High    1883
Name: InstallCategory, dtype: int64
```

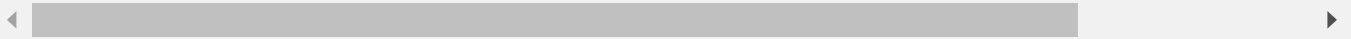


```
In [44]: data2
```

Out[44]:

	App	Category	Rating	Reviews	Size(KB)	Installs	Type	Price	Content Rating	Genres	Last Updated	Cu
0	Photo Editor & Candy Camera & Grid & ScrapBook	ART_AND_DESIGN	4.1	159	19456.0	10000	Free	0.0	Everyone	Art & Design	January 7, 2018	
1	Coloring book moana	ART_AND_DESIGN	3.9	967	14336.0	500000	Free	0.0	Everyone	Art & Design;Pretend Play	January 15, 2018	
2	U Launcher Lite – FREE Live Cool Themes, Hide ...	ART_AND_DESIGN	4.7	87510	8908.8	5000000	Free	0.0	Everyone	Art & Design	August 1, 2018	
3	Sketch - Draw & Paint	ART_AND_DESIGN	4.5	215644	25600.0	50000000	Free	0.0	Teen	Art & Design	June 8, 2018	V d
4	Pixel Draw - Number Art Coloring Book	ART_AND_DESIGN	4.3	967	2867.2	100000	Free	0.0	Everyone	Art & Design;Creativity	June 20, 2018	
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
10834	FR Calculator	FAMILY	4.0	7	2662.4	500	Free	0.0	Everyone	Education	June 18, 2017	
10836	Sya9a Maroc - FR	FAMILY	4.5	38	54272.0	5000	Free	0.0	Everyone	Education	July 25, 2017	
10837	Fr. Mike Schmitz Audio Teachings	FAMILY	5.0	4	3686.4	100	Free	0.0	Everyone	Education	July 6, 2018	
10839	The SCP Foundation DB fr nn5n	BOOKS_AND_REFERENCE	4.5	114	12288.0	1000	Free	0.0	Mature 17+	Books & Reference	January 19, 2015	V d
10840	iHoroscope - 2018 Daily Horoscope & Astrology	LIFESTYLE	4.5	398307	19456.0	10000000	Free	0.0	Everyone	Lifestyle	July 25, 2018	V d

8892 rows × 14 columns



2.Convert Last Updated to number of months since last update

Our goal is to check if the installs are affected by the time since the app was last updated

```
In [45]: # Reviewing the dataset
data2
```

Out[45]:

	App	Category	Rating	Reviews	Size(KB)	Installs	Type	Price	Content Rating	Genres	Last Updated	Cu
0	Photo Editor & Candy Camera & Grid & ScrapBook	ART_AND_DESIGN	4.1	159	19456.0	10000	Free	0.0	Everyone	Art & Design	January 7, 2018	
1	Coloring book moana	ART_AND_DESIGN	3.9	967	14336.0	500000	Free	0.0	Everyone	Art & Design;Pretend Play	January 15, 2018	
2	U Launcher Lite – FREE Live Cool Themes, Hide ...	ART_AND_DESIGN	4.7	87510	8908.8	5000000	Free	0.0	Everyone	Art & Design	August 1, 2018	
3	Sketch - Draw & Paint	ART_AND_DESIGN	4.5	215644	25600.0	50000000	Free	0.0	Teen	Art & Design	June 8, 2018	v d
4	Pixel Draw - Number Art Coloring Book	ART_AND_DESIGN	4.3	967	2867.2	100000	Free	0.0	Everyone	Art & Design;Creativity	June 20, 2018	
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
10834	FR Calculator	FAMILY	4.0	7	2662.4	500	Free	0.0	Everyone	Education	June 18, 2017	
10836	Sya9a Maroc - FR	FAMILY	4.5	38	54272.0	5000	Free	0.0	Everyone	Education	July 25, 2017	
10837	Fr. Mike Schmitz Audio Teachings	FAMILY	5.0	4	3686.4	100	Free	0.0	Everyone	Education	July 6, 2018	
10839	The SCP Foundation DB fr nn5n	BOOKS_AND_REFERENCE	4.5	114	12288.0	1000	Free	0.0	Mature 17+	Books & Reference	January 19, 2015	v d
10840	iHoroscope - 2018 Daily Horoscope & Astrology	LIFESTYLE	4.5	398307	19456.0	10000000	Free	0.0	Everyone	Lifestyle	July 25, 2018	v d

8892 rows × 14 columns

```
In [46]: data2.dtypes
```

Out[46]: App object  
Category object  
Rating float64  
Reviews int64  
Size(KB) float64  
Installs int64  
Type object  
Price float64  
Content Rating object  
Genres object  
Last Updated object  
Current Ver object  
Android Ver object  
InstallCategory category  
dtype: object

Checking the minimum and maximum dates for the last update column

```
In [47]: ▶ data2['Last Updated'] = pd.to_datetime(data2['Last Updated'])

print(data2['Last Updated'].min(),data2['Last Updated'].max())
```

```
2010-05-21 00:00:00 2018-08-08 00:00:00
```

The earliest year an app was updated was 2010 and the latest is 2018

```
In [48]: ▶ data2['Year Last Updated'] = data2['Last Updated'].dt.year
```

Since we've extracted the years, we'll label encode them in the label encoding step

## Current Version column

### Splitting values in Current Version to see effects on Installs column

```
In [49]: ▶ data2.columns
```

```
Out[49]: Index(['App', 'Category', 'Rating', 'Reviews', 'Size(KB)', 'Installs', 'Type',
               'Price', 'Content Rating', 'Genres', 'Last Updated', 'Current Ver',
               'Android Ver', 'InstallCategory', 'Year Last Updated'],
              dtype='object')
```

Checking how many rows in current version indicate Varies with device

```
In [50]: ▶ data2[data2['Current Ver'] == 'Varies with device'].shape
```

```
Out[50]: (1258, 15)
```

```
In [51]: ▶ data2['Current Ver'].unique()[50]
```

```
Out[51]: array(['1.0.0', '2.0.0', '1.2.4', 'Varies with device', '1.1', '1.0',
               '6.1.61.1', '2.9.2', '2.8', '1.0.4', '1.0.15', '3.8', '1.2.3', nan,
               '3.1', '2.2.5', '5.5.4', '4.0', '2.2.6.2', '1.1.3', '1.5', '1.0.8',
               '1.03', '6.0', '6.7.12.2018', '1.2', '2.20', '1.1.0', '1.6', '2.1',
               '1.0.9', '1.3', '1', '2.0.1', '1.46', '1.6.1', '11.0', '3.0',
               '1.7.1', '2.5.1', '1.0.1', '2.493', '1.9.1', '1.7',
               '2.20 Build 02', '1.37', '0.2.1', '4.47.3', '1.9.7', '2.2.21'],
              dtype=object)
```

```
In [52]: ▶ version_list = []
for value in data2['Current Ver'].astype(str):
    if value == 'Varies with device':
        version_list.append('Varies with device')
    else:
        version_list.append(value.split('.')[0])

data2['Version'] = version_list
```

The code above is a for loop to extract the rows that don't have current version == varies with device

In [53]:

data2.sample(20)

Out[53]:


	App	Category	Rating	Reviews	Size(KB)	Installs	Type	Price	Content Rating	Genres	Last Updated	Current Version
7687	CP Plus Showcase	BUSINESS	4.3	236	7168.0	50000	Free	0.00	Everyone	Business	2018-03-09	1.1.27.4
1318	Weight Loss Running by Verv	HEALTH_AND_FITNESS	4.5	27396	60416.0	1000000	Free	0.00	Mature 17+	Health & Fitness	2018-07-16	1.1.27.4
6396	Bk Usha behn	LIFESTYLE	5.0	10	3072.0	1000	Free	0.00	Everyone	Lifestyle	2018-01-14	1.1.27.4
8427	Castle Defense : Invasion	FAMILY	4.2	1484	41984.0	100000	Free	0.00	Everyone	Strategy	2018-07-15	1.1.27.4
419	UC Browser Mini - Tiny Fast Private & Secure	COMMUNICATION	4.4	3648480	3379.2	100000000	Free	0.00	Teen	Communication	2018-07-18	1.1.27.4
7126	CB Mobile Access	FINANCE	1.5	57	25600.0	1000	Free	0.00	Everyone	Finance	2018-02-26	1.1.27.4
587	Mingle - Online Dating App to Chat & Meet People	DATING	4.1	15081	38912.0	1000000	Free	0.00	Mature 17+	Dating	2018-07-26	1.1.27.4
573	Herpes Positive Singles Dating	DATING	4.4	198	28672.0	10000	Free	0.00	Mature 17+	Dating	2018-05-18	1.1.27.4
3604	The first year of a baby's life	PARENTING	4.8	7505	9318.4	100000	Free	0.00	Everyone	Parenting	2017-01-07	1.1.27.4
5138	AH Kollection for KLWP	PERSONALIZATION	4.6	644	60416.0	50000	Free	0.00	Everyone	Personalization	2017-04-30	1.1.27.4
913	CBS - Full Episodes & Live TV	ENTERTAINMENT	3.8	92058	12288.0	10000000	Free	0.00	Teen	Entertainment	2018-07-20	1.1.27.4
7916	Meritrust CU Mobile Banking	FINANCE	4.7	3661	14336.0	50000	Free	0.00	Everyone	Finance	2018-06-12	1.1.27.4
4934	Universal AC Remote Control Simulator	FAMILY	3.0	119	3993.6	50000	Free	0.00	Everyone	Entertainment	2017-12-22	1.1.27.4
5781	Adventure Xpress	FAMILY	4.2	24775	30720.0	100000	Free	0.00	Everyone 10+	Puzzle	2015-10-12	1.1.27.4
4156	G Cloud Apps Backup Key * root	TOOLS	4.5	1034	196.0	5000	Paid	4.99	Everyone	Tools	2013-09-08	1.1.27.4
4880	ABS Workout - Belly workout, 30 days AB	HEALTH_AND_FITNESS	4.8	5103	12288.0	100000	Free	0.00	Everyone	Health & Fitness	2018-07-13	1.1.27.4
3644	Weather	WEATHER	4.2	18773	12288.0	10000000	Free	0.00	Everyone	Weather	2018-05-24	1.3.A
8551	Auto DM for Twitter 🐦	SOCIAL	3.4	44	6451.2	1000	Free	0.00	Teen	Social	2018-05-21	HT
7674	CP Clicker	LIFESTYLE	4.2	251	5120.0	10000	Free	0.00	Everyone	Lifestyle	2018-03-22	3.3.
1868	Dungeon Hunter Champions: Epic Online Action RPG	GAME	4.2	26247	12288.0	1000000	Free	0.00	Teen	Role Playing	2018-07-26	1.

In [54]: `data2.info()`

```
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
Int64Index: 8892 entries, 0 to 10840
Data columns (total 16 columns):
#   Column                Non-Null Count  Dtype
---  -
0   App                    8892 non-null   object
1   Category               8892 non-null   object
2   Rating                 8892 non-null   float64
3   Reviews                8892 non-null   int64
4   Size(KB)               8892 non-null   float64
5   Installs               8892 non-null   int64
6   Type                   8892 non-null   object
7   Price                  8892 non-null   float64
8   Content Rating         8892 non-null   object
9   Genres                 8892 non-null   object
10  Last Updated           8892 non-null   datetime64[ns]
11  Current Ver            8888 non-null   object
12  Android Ver            8890 non-null   object
13  InstallCategory        8892 non-null   category
14  Year Last Updated      8892 non-null   int64
15  Version                8892 non-null   object
dtypes: category(1), datetime64[ns](1), float64(3), int64(3), object(8)
memory usage: 1.1+ MB
```

In [55]: `data2['Version'].value_counts()`

```
Out[55]: 1          3430
2          1334
Varies with device    1258
3           764
4           549
...
a                   1
5055                1
version 0           1
27500000            1
3rd Release Aug 2016 1
Name: Version, Length: 184, dtype: int64
```

```
In [56]:  # Function to create version bins

def bin_version(version):
    if version in ['1', '2', '3', '4', '5']:
        return version
    elif version == 'Varies with device' or version == '':
        return '0'
    else:
        return '6'

# Applying the bin_version function to the 'Version' column
data2['Version_binned'] = data2['Version'].apply(bin_version).astype(int)

# Using the to apply the function
data2.sample(20)
```

Out[56]:

	App	Category	Rating	Reviews	Size(KB)	Installs	Type	Price	Content Rating	Genres	Last Updated	
6196	BGCN TV	VIDEO_PLAYERS	3.4	4334	5017.6	100000	Free	0.00	Everyone	Video Players & Editors	2015-11-04	
3465	Microsoft OneNote	PRODUCTIVITY	4.4	480643	12288.0	100000000	Free	0.00	Everyone	Productivity	2018-07-22	16.
1817	SHADOWGUN LEGENDS	GAME	4.6	100609	53248.0	1000000	Free	0.00	Teen	Action	2018-07-16	
3656	Wetter by t-online.de	WEATHER	4.2	24349	9420.8	1000000	Free	0.00	Everyone	Weather	2018-05-14	
1580	HTC Speak	LIFESTYLE	3.5	6145	13312.0	10000000	Free	0.00	Everyone	Lifestyle	2016-06-30	
5167	Ah! Bird	SPORTS	3.5	1689	5836.8	100000	Free	0.00	Everyone	Sports	2017-08-29	
6123	Talking Boyfriend	FAMILY	2.9	1073	2867.2	100000	Free	0.00	Everyone	Entertainment	2016-08-28	
2855	QuickPic - Photo Gallery with Google Drive Sup...	PHOTOGRAPHY	4.6	847159	4300.8	10000000	Free	0.00	Everyone	Photography	2017-11-10	
8496	Account Class-12 Solutions (D K Goel) Vol-2	FAMILY	4.6	124	23552.0	10000	Free	0.00	Everyone	Education	2018-04-17	
2271	FHR 5-Tier 2.0	MEDICAL	5.0	2	1228.8	500	Paid	2.99	Everyone	Medical	2015-12-16	
5380	Vikings: an Archer's Journey	GAME	4.5	10256	39936.0	1000000	Free	0.00	Everyone	Action	2017-12-11	
9961	Light Meter - EV	PHOTOGRAPHY	4.0	26	8704.0	1000	Free	0.00	Everyone	Photography	2018-08-02	
6014	BD Earn Pro	FAMILY	4.2	540	3276.8	10000	Free	0.00	Everyone	Entertainment	2018-08-01	
1319	Nike+ Run Club	HEALTH_AND_FITNESS	4.4	708710	12288.0	10000000	Free	0.00	Everyone	Health & Fitness	2018-07-12	
8290	WEB.DE Mail	COMMUNICATION	4.3	226541	12288.0	10000000	Free	0.00	Everyone	Communication	2018-07-25	Va
3482	Evernote – Organizer, Planner for Notes & Memos	PRODUCTIVITY	4.6	1488396	12288.0	100000000	Free	0.00	Everyone	Productivity	2018-08-03	Va
4611	AT&T Call Protect	COMMUNICATION	4.2	6454	15360.0	5000000	Free	0.00	Everyone	Communication	2018-05-03	
8844	DS Thermometer	WEATHER	3.7	631	3072.0	100000	Free	0.00	Everyone	Weather	2015-05-30	
2891	HD Camera Ultra	PHOTOGRAPHY	4.3	462152	1536.0	10000000	Free	0.00	Everyone	Photography	2015-10-17	
10717	Frontline Terrorist Battle Shoot: Free FPS Sho...	GAME	4.2	9183	50176.0	1000000	Free	0.00	Mature 17+	Action	2018-06-22	

We've used Current version and version to feature engineer Version binned so that's why we're dropping them. We extracted the major version update number from the Current Version column, created a function to bin them into groups and carried out label encoding on the created categories.

## Binning Android Version Column

```
In [57]: data2['Android Ver'].value_counts()
```

```
Out[57]: 4.1 and up          1987
         4.0.3 and up      1197
         Varies with device 1178
         4.0 and up        1094
         4.4 and up         789
         2.3 and up         573
         5.0 and up         481
         4.2 and up         331
         2.3.3 and up       238
         3.0 and up         207
         2.2 and up         203
         4.3 and up         199
         2.1 and up         112
         1.6 and up          87
         6.0 and up          46
         7.0 and up          41
         3.2 and up          31
         2.0 and up          27
         1.5 and up          16
         5.1 and up          16
         3.1 and up           8
         2.0.1 and up        7
         4.4W and up          5
         8.0 and up           5
         7.1 and up           3
         4.0.3 - 7.1.1        2
         5.0 - 8.0             2
         1.0 and up            2
         7.0 - 7.1.1           1
         4.1 - 7.1.1           1
         5.0 - 6.0             1
         Name: Android Ver, dtype: int64
```

Extracting the major Android Version

```
In [58]: version_list = []
         for value in data2['Android Ver'].astype(str):
             if value == 'Varies with device':
                 version_list.append('Varies with device')
             else:
                 version_list.append(value.split('.')[0])


         data2['Major Android Version'] = version_list
```



In [59]:

data2.sample(20)

Out[59]:

	App	Category	Rating	Reviews	Size(KB)	Installs	Type	Price	Content Rating	Genres	Last Updated	C
5194	Learn Artificial Intelligence	FAMILY	4.6	27	4300.8	10000	Free	0.00	Everyone	Education	2018-07-14	
3247	My Telcel	TOOLS	3.1	45838	16384.0	50000000	Free	0.00	Everyone	Tools	2018-07-25	
2008	Zombie Tsunami	GAME	4.4	4921409	12288.0	100000000	Free	0.00	Everyone 10+	Arcade	2018-06-15	c
2103	 Pony Friends - Beepzz racing game for kids	FAMILY	4.5	114	70656.0	50000	Free	0.00	Everyone	Racing;Action & Adventure	2018-06-13	
4810	NQ Mobile Security & Antivirus	PRODUCTIVITY	4.4	427185	12288.0	10000000	Free	0.00	Teen	Productivity	2018-06-08	\ c
7831	C.S. Lewis Daily Quotes	LIFESTYLE	4.1	75	11264.0	10000	Free	0.00	Everyone	Lifestyle	2018-01-14	
9696	EP RSS Reader	COMMUNICATION	3.8	4	892.0	100	Free	0.00	Everyone	Communication	2018-07-16	
6009	Izneo, Read Manga, Comics & BD	COMICS	3.3	1476	18432.0	500000	Free	0.00	Teen	Comics	2018-06-11	
3240	Moto Suggestions <sup>TM</sup>	TOOLS	4.6	308	4403.2	1000000	Free	0.00	Everyone	Tools	2018-06-08	(
9939	Rail Planner Eurail/Interrail	MAPS_AND_NAVIGATION	4.2	3596	31744.0	1000000	Free	0.00	Everyone	Maps & Navigation	2018-06-15	
6311	BJ Bridge Pro 2018	GAME	4.4	17	4915.2	500	Paid	4.49	Everyone	Card	2018-05-21	6
1103	Simple - Better Banking	FINANCE	4.4	7731	24576.0	100000	Free	0.00	Everyone	Finance	2018-08-02	2
4371	M Theme - Dark Green Icon Pack	PERSONALIZATION	4.2	202	5017.6	10000	Free	0.00	Everyone	Personalization	2016-11-16	
386	Hangouts	COMMUNICATION	4.0	3419433	12288.0	1000000000	Free	0.00	Everyone	Communication	2018-07-21	\ c
6388	Baba Yaad Hai?(BK's)	FAMILY	4.8	160	13312.0	10000	Free	0.00	Everyone	Entertainment	2017-03-05	
2308	Teladoc Member	MEDICAL	4.0	2094	23552.0	500000	Free	0.00	Everyone	Medical	2018-07-26	
2994	GollerCepte 1903	SPORTS	4.7	25172	30720.0	500000	Free	0.00	Everyone	Sports	2018-05-23	
875	DStv Now	ENTERTAINMENT	3.9	34923	12288.0	5000000	Free	0.00	Teen	Entertainment	2018-07-27	\ c
5786	Axe Champ	GAME	3.8	141	19456.0	10000	Free	0.00	Everyone	Arcade	2018-05-26	
8755	myGrow	PRODUCTIVITY	4.6	84	23552.0	1000	Paid	4.29	Mature 17+	Productivity	2016-04-29	

We've called the same function we called for current version in creating the bins

```
In [60]: # Applying the bin_version function to the 'Version' column
data2['Android_Version_binned'] = data2['Major Android Version'].apply(bin_version).astype(int)

# Using the to apply the function
data2.sample(20)
```

Out[60]:

	App	Category	Rating	Reviews	Size(KB)	Installs	Type	Price	Content Rating	Genres	Last Updated	C
4505	Q Link Wireless Zone	PRODUCTIVITY	4.0	2194	17408.0	500000	Free	0.00	Everyone	Productivity	2018-03-08	
9145	EA SPORTS™ FIFA 18 Companion	SPORTS	3.9	282727	64512.0	10000000	Free	0.00	Everyone	Sports	2017-12-07	18.0
5928	Arabic Alif Ba Ta For Kids	FAMILY	4.5	226	26624.0	100000	Free	0.00	Everyone	Education;Education	2017-05-30	
10302	FD VR Cardboard Featured 360 Videos	FAMILY	4.2	76	35840.0	10000	Free	0.00	Everyone	Entertainment	2017-12-19	
7080	Bubble	TOOLS	4.5	31621	208.0	5000000	Free	0.00	Everyone	Tools	2011-07-10	
5329	Al Quran Audio (Full 30 Juz)	FAMILY	4.7	7878	3686.4	1000000	Free	0.00	Everyone	Education	2017-05-29	
7619	Best Park in the Universe	GAME	4.3	3904	5632.0	10000	Paid	2.99	Everyone 10+	Action	2014-09-10	
3684	YouTube Studio	VIDEO_PLAYERS	4.3	436921	12288.0	10000000	Free	0.00	Teen	Video Players & Editors	2018-06-28	
3957	ADS-B Driver	TOOLS	5.0	2	6451.2	100	Paid	1.99	Everyone	Tools	2018-05-15	
8675	Dp For WhatsApp	PERSONALIZATION	4.4	1623	11264.0	1000000	Free	0.00	Mature 17+	Personalization	2018-06-23	
5827	Ay	VIDEO_PLAYERS	3.8	11	3686.4	5000	Free	0.00	Teen	Video Players & Editors	2018-05-04	
714	PBS KIDS Video	EDUCATION	4.2	36212	12288.0	5000000	Free	0.00	Everyone	Education;Music & Video	2018-07-12	
8050	Avaya CX	BUSINESS	4.4	21	21504.0	1000	Free	0.00	Everyone	Business	2018-07-25	
6654	Camera MX - Free Photo & Video Camera	PHOTOGRAPHY	4.3	244302	12288.0	10000000	Free	0.00	Everyone	Photography	2018-07-05	
2019	Mahjong	FAMILY	4.5	33983	22528.0	5000000	Free	0.00	Everyone	Puzzle;Brain Games	2018-08-02	
6980	Mini Motor Racing WRT	GAME	4.2	107497	12288.0	1000000	Free	0.00	Everyone	Racing	2016-02-02	
7541	CM Security Open VPN - Free, fast unlimited proxy	TOOLS	4.6	85496	5939.2	1000000	Free	0.00	Everyone	Tools	2018-02-14	
5354	I am Rich Plus	FAMILY	4.0	856	8908.8	10000	Paid	399.99	Everyone	Entertainment	2018-05-19	
2169	All-in-One Mahjong 3 FREE	FAMILY	4.5	566	17408.0	50000	Free	0.00	Everyone	Board;Brain Games	2018-06-13	
2031	Kids Educational Game 3 Free	FAMILY	4.3	24936	38912.0	5000000	Free	0.00	Everyone	Educational;Education	2018-05-16	

We decided to drop the following columns:

Since we've already extracted useful information from Last Updated, Current Ver and Android Ver and the rest(Year Last Updated,and Version) were feature engineered, we decided to drop them.

We're also dropping Genres as it contains the same information in the category column.

```
In [61]: # Dropping the columns

data2.drop(columns=['Last Updated','Current Ver','Genres','Installs','Android Ver','Version','Major Android Ve
```

```
In [62]: # Setting the app as the index

data2.set_index('App',inplace=True)
```

```
In [63]: data2
```

Out[63]:

	Category	Rating	Reviews	Size(KB)	Type	Price	Content Rating	InstallCategory	Year Last Updated	Version_binned	And
App											
Photo Editor & Candy Camera & Grid & ScrapBook	ART_AND_DESIGN	4.1	159	19456.0	Free	0.0	Everyone	Low	2018	1	
Coloring book moana	ART_AND_DESIGN	3.9	967	14336.0	Free	0.0	Everyone	Medium	2018	2	
U Launcher Lite – FREE Live Cool Themes, Hide Apps	ART_AND_DESIGN	4.7	87510	8908.8	Free	0.0	Everyone	High	2018	1	
Sketch - Draw & Paint	ART_AND_DESIGN	4.5	215644	25600.0	Free	0.0	Teen	Very High	2018	0	
Pixel Draw - Number Art Coloring Book	ART_AND_DESIGN	4.3	967	2867.2	Free	0.0	Everyone	Medium	2018	1	
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
FR Calculator	FAMILY	4.0	7	2662.4	Free	0.0	Everyone	Low	2017	1	
Sya9a Maroc - FR	FAMILY	4.5	38	54272.0	Free	0.0	Everyone	Low	2017	1	
Fr. Mike Schmitz Audio Teachings	FAMILY	5.0	4	3686.4	Free	0.0	Everyone	Low	2018	1	
The SCP Foundation DB fr nn5n	BOOKS_AND_REFERENCE	4.5	114	12288.0	Free	0.0	Mature 17+	Low	2015	0	
iHoroscope - 2018 Daily Horoscope & Astrology	LIFESTYLE	4.5	398307	19456.0	Free	0.0	Everyone	Very High	2018	0	

8892 rows × 11 columns



## Checking how distributed the classes are in the target variable

```
In [64]: ▶ print('Raw counts: \n')
print(data2['InstallCategory'].value_counts())
print('-----')
print('Normalized counts: \n')
print(data2['InstallCategory'].value_counts(normalize=True))
```

Raw counts:

```
Low          2752
High         2169
Medium       2088
Very High    1883
Name: InstallCategory, dtype: int64
-----
```

Normalized counts:

```
Low          0.309492
High         0.243927
Medium       0.234818
Very High    0.211763
Name: InstallCategory, dtype: float64
```

The classes are almost uniformly balanced

```
In [65]: ▶ data2['Category'].unique()
```

```
Out[65]: array(['ART_AND_DESIGN', 'AUTO_AND_VEHICLES', 'BEAUTY',
                'BOOKS_AND_REFERENCE', 'BUSINESS', 'COMICS', 'COMMUNICATION',
                'DATING', 'EDUCATION', 'ENTERTAINMENT', 'EVENTS', 'FINANCE',
                'FOOD_AND_DRINK', 'HEALTH_AND_FITNESS', 'HOUSE_AND_HOME',
                'LIBRARIES_AND_DEMO', 'LIFESTYLE', 'GAME', 'FAMILY', 'MEDICAL',
                'SOCIAL', 'SHOPPING', 'PHOTOGRAPHY', 'SPORTS', 'TRAVEL_AND_LOCAL',
                'TOOLS', 'PERSONALIZATION', 'PRODUCTIVITY', 'PARENTING', 'WEATHER',
                'VIDEO_PLAYERS', 'NEWS_AND_MAGAZINES', 'MAPS_AND_NAVIGATION'],
              dtype=object)
```

## Train Test Split

```
In [66]: ▶ # Assigning the features and the target
X = data2.drop(['InstallCategory'],axis=1)
y = data2['InstallCategory']

X_train,X_test,y_train,y_test = train_test_split(X,y,random_state=999,test_size=0.2)
```

```
In [67]: ▶ print(X_train.shape)
print(X_test.shape)
print(y_train.shape)
print(y_test.shape)
```

```
(7113, 10)
(1779, 10)
(7113,)
(1779,)
```

## One Hot Encoding

We're one hot encoding the Category column then label encode the Type and Content Rating column. This is because if we one hot encoded the category column, we would end up with so many features. Since content rating and the type column have ordinal relationship and can be assigned based on the order of importance, unlike the category column, which is nominal and importance can't be attached to each output. Label encoding presented itself as the best option.

One hot encoding - Norminal variables(Category)

```
In [68]: categorical_column = ['Category']

# One Hot Encoding X_train
X_train_encoded = pd.get_dummies(data=X_train,columns=categorical_column, drop_first=True)

# One Hot Encoding X_test
X_test_encoded = pd.get_dummies(data=X_test,columns=categorical_column, drop_first=True)

X_train_encoded.sample(20)
```

Out[68]:

	Rating	Reviews	Size(KB)	Type	Price	Content Rating	Year Last Updated	Version_binned	Android_Version_binned	Category_AUTO_AND_
App										
AK-47 3D	3.7	91	24576.0	Free	0.00	Everyone	2016	3		2
CV maker for Job Applications and Resume Maker	4.2	75	25600.0	Free	0.00	Everyone	2018	1		4
Kymco AK 550	4.3	47	59392.0	Free	0.00	Everyone	2016	1		2
trivago: Hotels & Travel	4.2	219848	12288.0	Free	0.00	Everyone	2018	0		0
X your Ex - Break Up Treatment	4.0	32	65536.0	Free	0.00	Everyone	2017	3		4
Beautiful Widgets Pro	4.2	97890	14336.0	Paid	2.49	Everyone	2016	5		2
Pixel Art: Color by Number Game	4.7	1125017	25600.0	Free	0.00	Everyone	2018	3		4
GT-R R35 Drift Simulator	4.4	1852	63488.0	Free	0.00	Everyone	2017	1		2
BF Frontline City	4.1	29798	81920.0	Free	0.00	Mature 17+	2017	5		2
Curriculum Vitae - Resume CV	2.6	80	2252.8	Free	0.00	Everyone	2017	2		4
BF 4 Guns	4.0	1542	13312.0	Free	0.00	Everyone	2015	3		3
Google Ads	4.3	29313	20480.0	Free	0.00	Everyone	2018	1		4
CB Bank Mobile Banking	4.5	1308	3788.8	Free	0.00	Everyone	2015	6		2
Extreme Match	4.5	696	12288.0	Free	0.00	Everyone	2018	1		4
CB Frequencies FREE!	3.1	364	2355.2	Free	0.00	Everyone	2018	2		4
Jurassic World™ Alive	4.3	309176	71680.0	Free	0.00	Everyone 10+	2018	1		4
Nike+ Run Club	4.4	708710	12288.0	Free	0.00	Everyone	2018	2		4
BN Pro Arial Legacy Text	3.7	83	414.0	Free	0.00	Everyone	2017	2		1
Safety stepping stone	3.7	4212	20480.0	Free	0.00	Everyone	2018	3		2
Download Manager - File & Video	3.9	8780	5120.0	Free	0.00	Everyone	2018	2		4

20 rows × 41 columns

## Label Encoding the Type Column

```
In [69]: le = LabelEncoder()
X_train_encoded['Type'] = le.fit_transform(X_train_encoded['Type'])
X_test_encoded['Type'] = le.transform(X_test_encoded['Type'])
```

```
In [70]: X_test_encoded
```

Out[70]:

	Rating	Reviews	Size(KB)	Type	Price	Content Rating	Year Last Updated	Version_binned	Android_Version_binned	Category_AUTO_AND
App										
FastMeet: Chat, Dating, Love	4.2	22545	6041.6	0	0.0	Mature 17+	2018	1		4
PumpUp — Fitness Community	4.0	49479	58368.0	0	0.0	Teen	2018	5		5
Metal Soldiers 2	4.4	153381	12288.0	0	0.0	Teen	2018	1		4
Photo Editor Selfie Camera Filter & Mirror Image	4.3	527248	12288.0	0	0.0	Everyone	2018	1		0
Princess Coloring Book	4.5	9770	39936.0	0	0.0	Everyone	2018	1		4
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		...
Fire Emblem Heroes	4.6	407694	12288.0	0	0.0	Teen	2018	2		4
Be the Manager 2016 (football)	4.2	4330	6246.4	0	0.0	Everyone	2017	3		4
DEER HUNTER CHALLENGE	3.7	38767	4198.4	0	0.0	Everyone 10+	2011	1		2
DZ sim	4.4	417	15360.0	0	0.0	Everyone	2018	3		4
Carnivores: Dinosaur Hunter	4.2	62636	17408.0	0	0.0	Teen	2018	1		4

1779 rows × 41 columns

## Label Encoding Content Rating Column

```
In [71]: # X_train
X_train_encoded['Content Rating'] = le.fit_transform(X_train_encoded['Content Rating'])

# X_test
X_test_encoded['Content Rating'] = le.transform(X_test_encoded['Content Rating'])
```

In [72]:

X\_train\_encoded.sample(20)

Out[72]:

	Rating	Reviews	Size(KB)	Type	Price	Content Rating	Year Last Updated	Version_binned	Android_Version_binned	Category_AUTO_AND_V
App										
Baby Panda Care	4.2	108795	50176.0	0	0.00	1	2018	6		4
Sya9a Maroc - FR	4.5	38	54272.0	0	0.00	1	2017	1		4
বাংলা টিভি চ্যানেল BD Bangla TV	4.3	193	14336.0	0	0.00	1	2017	1		4
FotMob - Live Soccer Scores	4.7	410384	12288.0	0	0.00	1	2018	0		0
Bt Notifier - Smartwatch notice	2.8	632	8396.8	0	0.00	1	2017	1		6
Verdad o Reto	3.8	826	5222.4	0	0.00	4	2018	2		4
ACE Elite	4.1	2898	46080.0	0	0.00	1	2018	4		4
Mini DV	3.5	12	19456.0	0	0.00	1	2018	1		4
PUBG MOBILE	4.4	3716278	36864.0	0	0.00	4	2018	6		4
Asahi Shimbun Digital	3.1	735	6451.2	0	0.00	1	2018	6		4
CV Creator	4.4	31	8499.2	0	0.00	1	2018	1		4
RULES OF SURVIVAL	4.2	1343106	57344.0	0	0.00	4	2018	1		4
Windguru Lite	4.0	9307	5120.0	0	0.00	1	2018	2		4
DB TOS - Pocket Helper	4.2	265	12288.0	0	0.00	1	2016	1		4
OpenGL ES CapsViewer	4.6	78	375.0	0	0.00	1	2018	6		4
BZ Reminder PRO	4.8	726	5529.6	1	3.99	1	2017	2		4
G-Homa	3.1	777	14336.0	0	0.00	1	2018	3		4
Sketch - Draw & Paint	4.5	215644	25600.0	0	0.00	4	2018	0		4
Tagged - Meet, Chat & Dating	4.1	486830	12288.0	0	0.00	3	2018	0		0
Microsoft Excel	4.5	1079616	12288.0	0	0.00	1	2018	6		4

20 rows × 41 columns

Label Encoding Year Last Updated

In [73]:

```
# X_train
X_train_encoded['Year Last Updated'] = le.fit_transform(X_train_encoded['Year Last Updated'])

# X_test
X_test_encoded['Year Last Updated'] = le.transform(X_test_encoded['Year Last Updated'])
```

```
In [74]: X_train_encoded
```

Out[74]:

	Rating	Reviews	Size(KB)	Type	Price	Content Rating	Year Last Updated	Version_binned	Android_Version_binned	Category_AUTO_AND_VE
App										
Sin City Hero : Crime Simulator of Vegas	4.1	3371	79872.0	0	0.0	4	7	1		4
AW Reader: news & apps [Dutch]	4.1	1948	12288.0	0	0.0	1	8	0		0
JustDating	4.0	13440	50176.0	0	0.0	3	8	3		4
LEGO® TV	3.7	17247	7372.8	0	0.0	2	8	4		5
L.O.L. Surprise Ball Pop	4.3	10088	12288.0	0	0.0	1	8	0		4
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		...
CNY Slots : Gong Xi Fa Cai 发财机	3.6	33	72704.0	0	0.0	4	7	1		4
love sms good morning	4.2	10	3174.4	0	0.0	1	6	1		2
ESPN Fantasy Sports	4.0	176487	10240.0	0	0.0	1	7	5		4
BW- GnuGo	4.1	64	1331.2	0	0.0	1	3	2		2
Herpes Dating: 1,000K+ Singles	4.0	738	27648.0	0	0.0	3	8	6		4

7113 rows × 41 columns

We are scaling the 'Size' and 'Reviews' columns because these two columns have a wide range of values. This will improve the performance of our models by reducing the bias and ensuring no single feature dominates the calculation of distances in distance-based algorithms

## Modelling

The target variable for this project is the installs variable which indicates the number of installations an app gets.

A classification model is the most appropriate for this project where we will be classifying an app's success (into either low, medium, high and very high) based on the number of installations. We choose accuracy as our model of success because how close our predictions are compared to the actual values is integral to our decision making

We will be implementing a simple logistic regression as our baseline model as shown below.



```
In [75]: # Function for feature importance

def model_feature_importance(classifier_name,trained_df,model_name):
    feature_importance = classifier_name.feature_importances_[0:10]
    feature_names = list(trained_df.columns)

    # Sorting according to feature importance using numpy
    indices = np.argsort(feature_importance)

    # Plotting
    plt.figure(figsize=(10,8))
    plt.barh(range(len(indices)),feature_importance[indices],color='#356AC3')
    plt.title(f"Feature Importance according to {model_name}")
    plt.yticks(range(len(indices)), [feature_names[i] for i in indices])
    plt.xlabel('Relative Importance')

    return plt.show()
```

```
In [76]: # Creating a function to plot the confusion matrices for all the models to avoid repetition

def plot_confusion_matrix(y_test_values,y_prediction_values,cmap_value):
    labels = sorted(set(y_test_values).union(set(y_prediction_values)))

    # Plotting the confusion matrix
    cm = confusion_matrix(y_test_values,y_prediction_values)

    # Visualizing the confusion matrix
    display = ConfusionMatrixDisplay(confusion_matrix=cm,display_labels=labels)
    return display.plot(cmap=plt.cm.get_cmap(cmap_value))
```

#### i) Logistic Regression - The Baseline Model

```
In [77]: # Instantiating the Logistic Regression model and setting the random seed
logreg = LogisticRegression(random_state=42)

# Fit the model on the training set
logreg.fit(X_train_encoded,y_train)

# Predicting
y_pred = logreg.predict(X_test_encoded)

# Model performance evaluation
print("Logistic Regression Accuracy", accuracy_score(y_test,y_pred))
print(f"Classification Report:\n{classification_report(y_test, y_pred)}")
```

```
Logistic Regression Accuracy 0.792017987633502
Classification Report:
              precision    recall  f1-score   support

     High           0.74         0.72         0.73         445
        Low           0.82         0.96         0.89         529
     Medium           0.71         0.66         0.68         428
    Very High           0.91         0.78         0.84         377

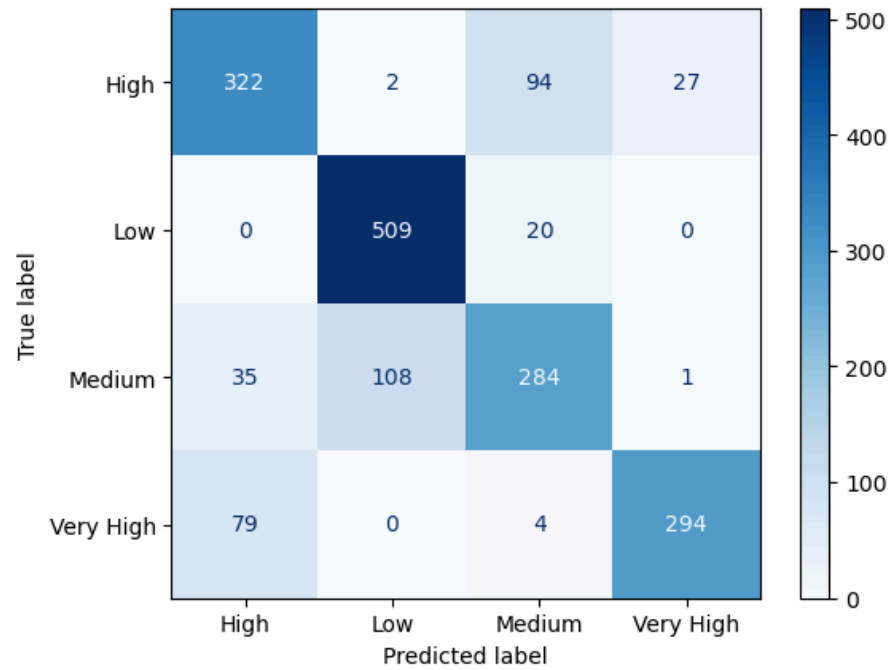
 accuracy                   0.79         1779
 macro avg           0.80         0.78         0.79         1779
 weighted avg          0.79         0.79         0.79         1779
```

Our baseline logistic regression model performed quite well with a precision of 79% on the unseen data. The model's computation time was efficient despite the large dataset and forms a good foundation for comparison against other models.

The relatively high performance of the baseline model indicates that the chosen model approach(classification) is best suited for our data problem.

```
In [78]: plot_confusion_matrix(y_test,y_pred,'Blues')
```

```
Out[78]: <sklearn.metrics._plot.confusion_matrix.ConfusionMatrixDisplay at 0x1a70217f520>
```



## Function for modelling

To automate the model building process, we created a function `train_and_evaluate_model()` that takes in the model to be implemented, fits the model onto the dataset, predicts, evaluates, and displays the model performance results.

The additional models we decided would best fit our problem include:

1. K-Nearest Neighbors (KNN)
2. Support Vector Classifier (SVC)
3. Decision Trees
4. Extreme Gradient Boosting (XGBoost)
5. Random Forests

```

In [79]: ▶ def train_and_evaluate_model(model_name,return_model=False):

    if model_name == "KNN":
        model = KNeighborsClassifier(n_neighbors=5)
    elif model_name == "Decision Tree":
        model = DecisionTreeClassifier(random_state=42)
    elif model_name == "SVM":
        model = SVC(kernel="linear", C=1)
    elif model_name == 'XGBoost':
        model = XGBClassifier()
    elif model_name == "AdaBoost":
        model = AdaBoostClassifier(n_estimators=50, learning_rate=1, random_state=42)
    elif model_name == "Random Forest":
        model = RandomForestClassifier(random_state=42)
    else:
        raise ValueError(f"Invalid model name: {model_name}")

    # Cross-validation with accuracy scoring
    cv_scores = cross_val_score(model, X_train_encoded, y_train, cv=5, scoring="accuracy")
    print(f"{model_name} Cross-Validation Scores: {cv_scores}")

    if return_model:
        return model

    # Fit the model with training data
    model.fit(X_train_encoded, y_train)

    # Make predictions
    predictions = model.predict(X_test_encoded)
    accuracy = accuracy_score(y_test, predictions)

    # Condition for feature importance
    if model_name in ['Decision Tree', 'Random Forest', 'Adaboost', 'XGBoost']:
        model_feature_importance(model,X_train_encoded,model_name)

    # Confusion Matrix
    plot_confusion_matrix(y_test,predictions,'Blues')

    # Classification report
    report = classification_report(y_test, predictions)

    print("Accuracy Score: ",accuracy)

    print('\n')

    print("Classification Report: \n",report)

```

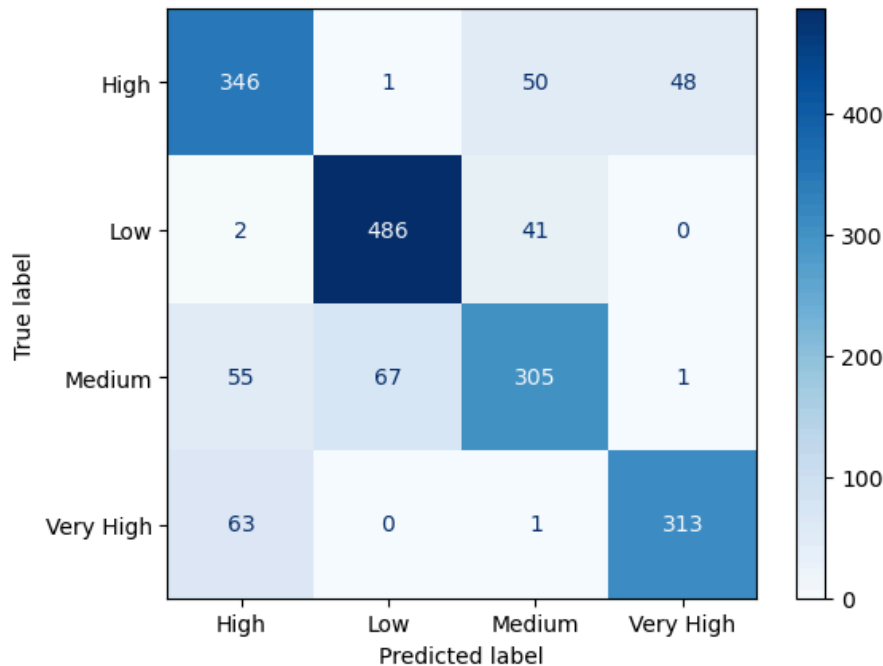
ii) KNN

```
In [80]: train_and_evaluate_model('KNN')
```

KNN Cross-Validation Scores: [0.80112439 0.79128602 0.80534083 0.77285513 0.79606188]  
Accuracy Score: 0.8150646430578977

Classification Report:

	precision	recall	f1-score	support
High	0.74	0.78	0.76	445
Low	0.88	0.92	0.90	529
Medium	0.77	0.71	0.74	428
Very High	0.86	0.83	0.85	377
accuracy			0.82	1779
macro avg	0.81	0.81	0.81	1779
weighted avg	0.81	0.82	0.81	1779



From the above results, the KNN algorithm performed a bit better than the baseline model, achieving an precision score of 81%. KNN is considered a lazy learner because it attempts to memorize the entire training dataset instead of understanding the underlying relationship between the complex data variables of our dataset, but still performed a bit better than our baseline model.

### iii) SVM

```
In [81]: #train_and_evaluate_model('SVM')
```

SVM aims to find the decision boundary that maximizes the margin between classes. This margin maximization property helps SVM generalize well to unseen data, leading to good performance on test data.

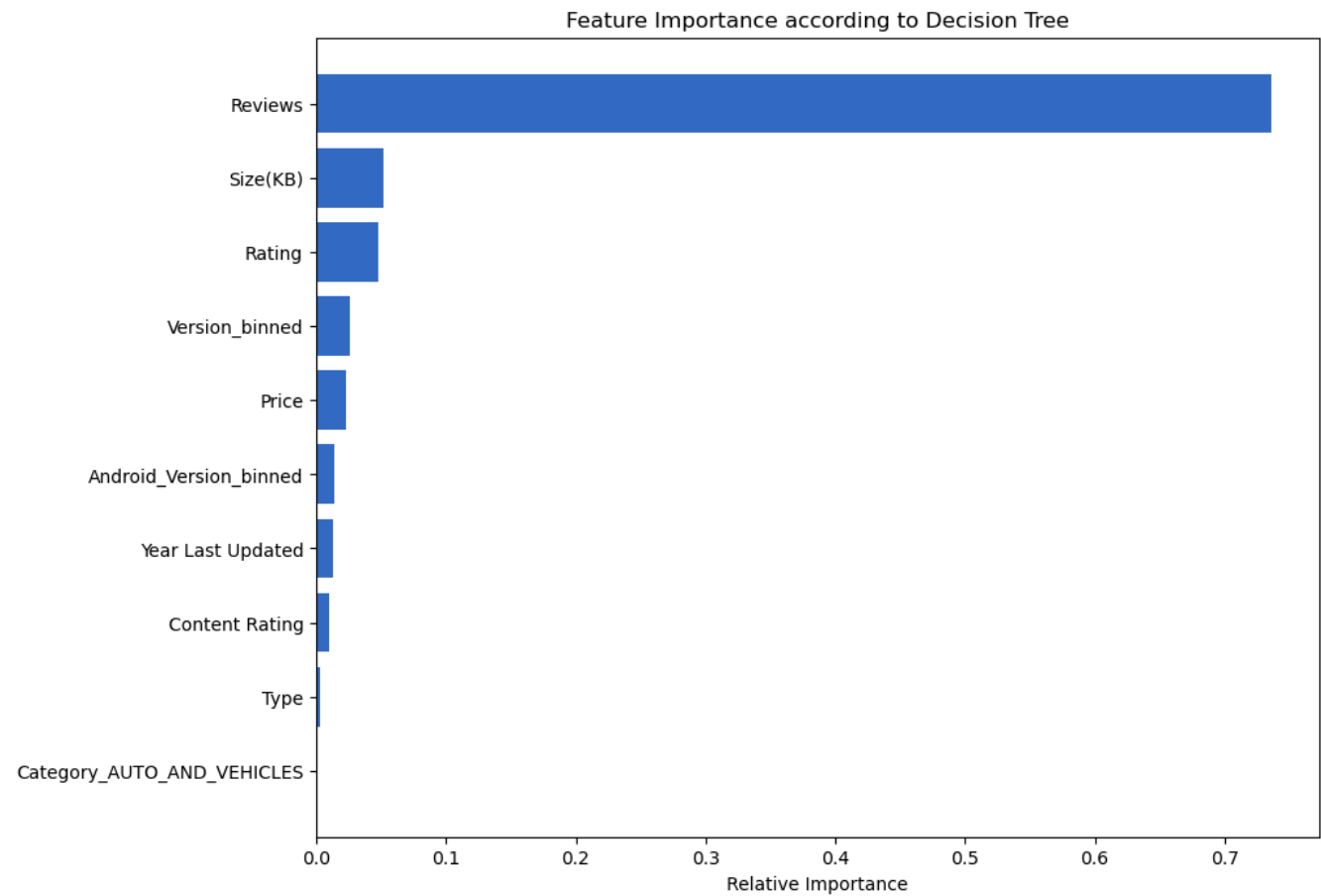
The moderately better SVM accuracy (72%) is a testament to this model's performance to relatively high dimensional space like the one seen in our dataset. This is so as it finds a hyperplane that separates classes in high-dimensional space, even when the number of features exceeds the number of samples.

Furthermore, SVM performed slightly better due to its ability to capture complex relationships in the data by finding the optimal hyperplane that maximizes the margin between classes. This is advantageous to our data where our data is not linearly separable.

### iv) Decision Tree

```
In [82]: train_and_evaluate_model('Decision Tree')
```

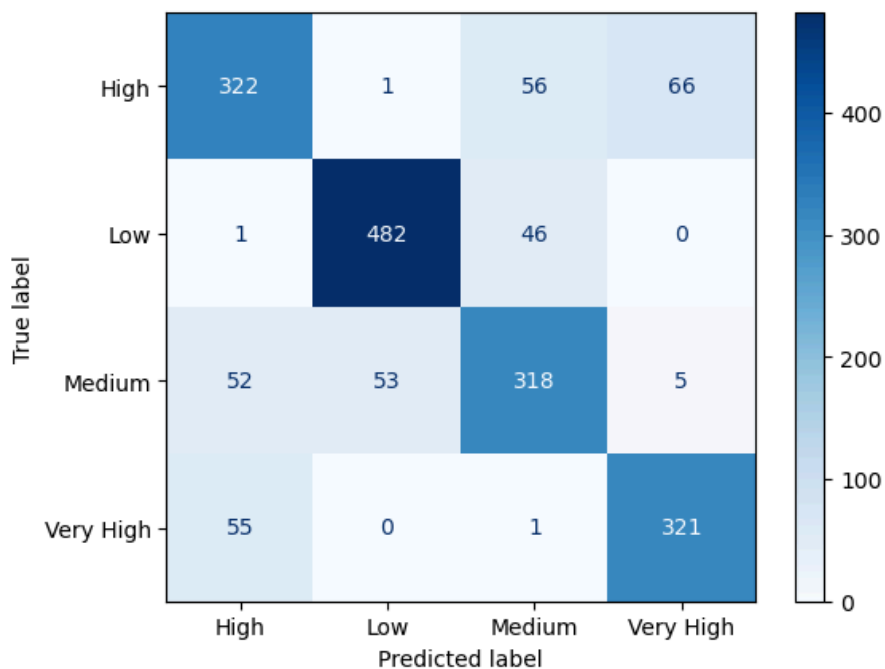
Decision Tree Cross-Validation Scores: [0.81377372 0.81096275 0.8151792 0.80801688 0.80661041]



Accuracy Score: 0.8111298482293423

Classification Report:

	precision	recall	f1-score	support
High	0.75	0.72	0.74	445
Low	0.90	0.91	0.91	529
Medium	0.76	0.74	0.75	428
Very High	0.82	0.85	0.83	377
accuracy			0.81	1779
macro avg	0.81	0.81	0.81	1779
weighted avg	0.81	0.81	0.81	1779



The high precision score of 81% by the Decision Trees can be attributed to the model's ability to capture complex nonlinear relationships. Decision Trees are inherently non-linear models. They capture piece-wise relationships between features, making them suitable for complex problems.

They recursively split the feature space into regions based on simple decision rules, allowing them to model complex decision boundaries effectively. Additionally, Decision Trees are robust to outliers in the data. Predictions are aggregated from subsamples, reducing the impact of outliers.

#### v) XGBoost

Modelling XGBoost separately cause it requires label encoding of the y column

```
In [83]: # Initialize the LabelEncoder
label_encoder = LabelEncoder()

# Fit and transform the target variable
y_train_encoded = label_encoder.fit_transform(y_train)
y_test_encoded = label_encoder.transform(y_test)

# Now, y_encoded contains the numerical labels
y_train_encoded.shape
```

Out[83]: (7113,)

```
In [84]: # Instantiating the class
xg_boost = XGBClassifier()

# Fitting the model
xg_boost.fit(X_train_encoded, y_train_encoded)

# Predicting
xgboost_prediction = xg_boost.predict(X_test_encoded)
```

```
In [105]: print("Precision: ", precision_score(y_test_encoded, xgboost_prediction, average='weighted'))

Precision: 0.8603631825339128
```

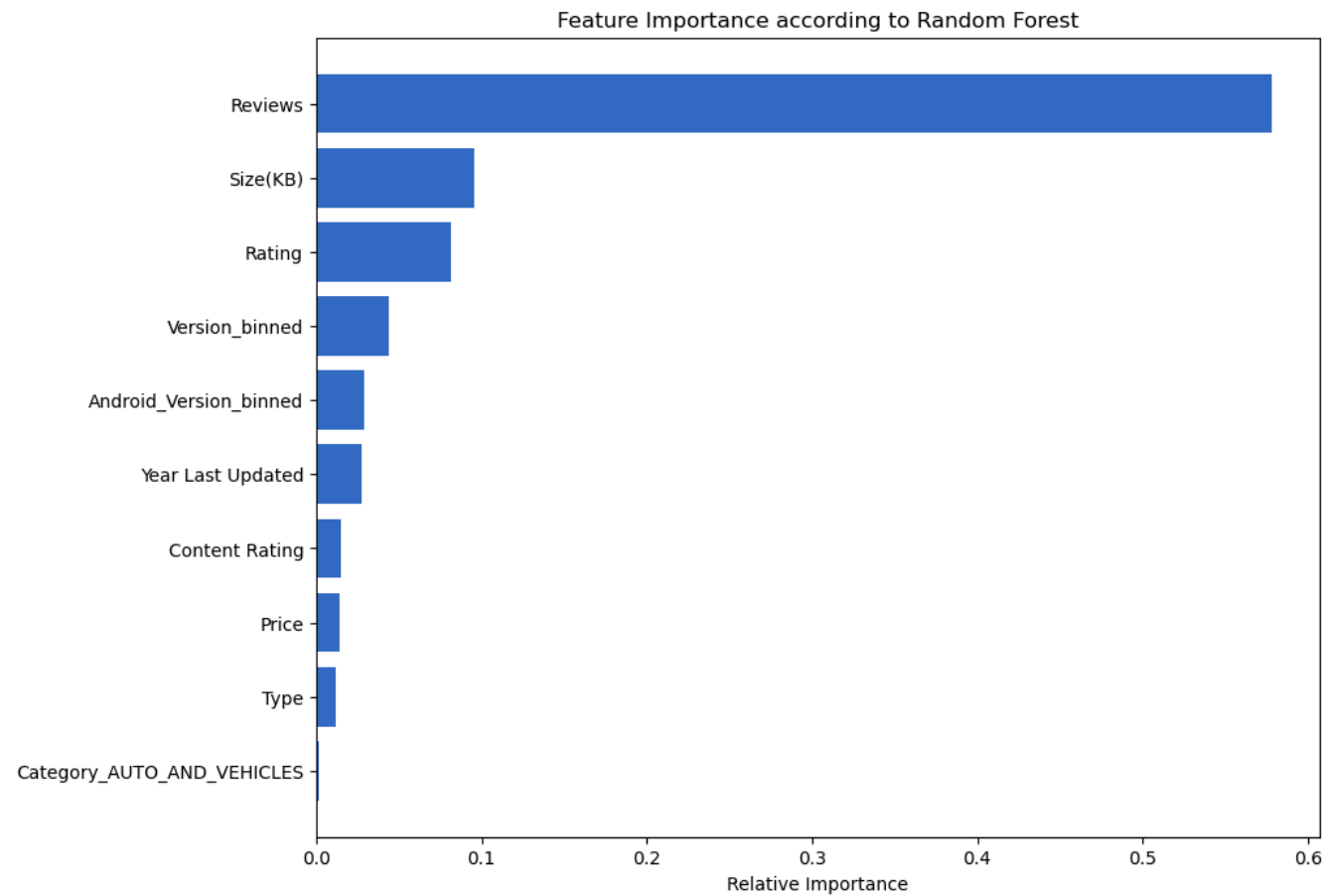
XGBoost is based on the gradient boosting technique, which builds a series of decision trees sequentially, with each tree correcting the errors of the previous one. This iterative approach enables XGBoost to gradually improve its predictive performance.

XGBoost, being an ensemble learning technique, combines weak learners (decision trees) to create a strong learner. The high precision score of 85.8% can be attributed to the model's robustness to overfitting and its ability to handle complex interactions and outliers effectively.

## vi) Random Forest

```
In [86]: train_and_evaluate_model('Random Forest')
```

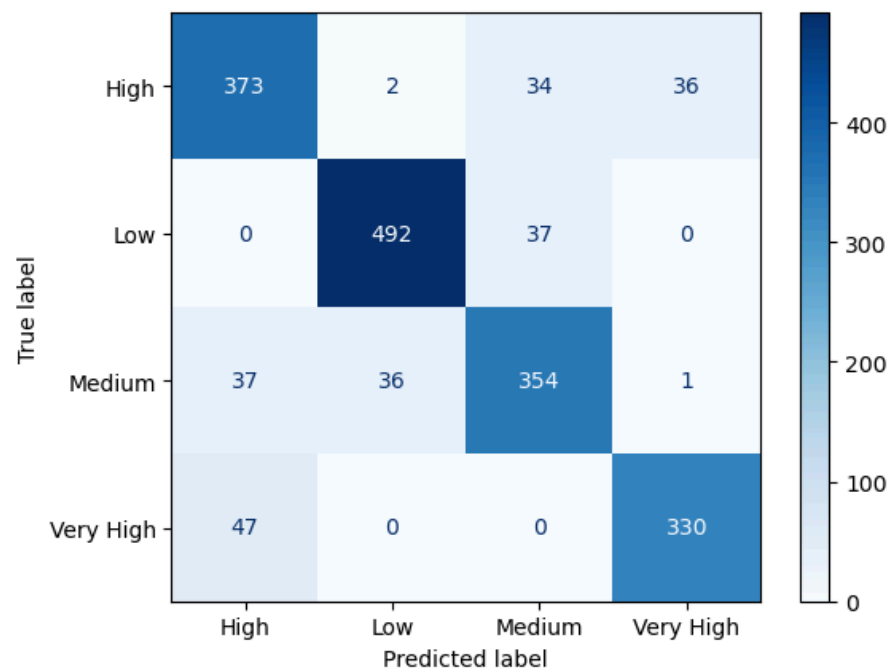
Random Forest Cross-Validation Scores: [0.84047786 0.86156008 0.85874912 0.85091421 0.85583685]



Accuracy Score: 0.8707138842046094

Classification Report:				
	precision	recall	f1-score	support
High	0.82	0.84	0.83	445
Low	0.93	0.93	0.93	529
Medium	0.83	0.83	0.83	428
Very High	0.90	0.88	0.89	377
accuracy			0.87	1779
macro avg	0.87	0.87	0.87	1779
weighted avg	0.87	0.87	0.87	1779





Random forests is the best-performing model in our dataset. It is an ensemble learning technique that constructs multiple decision trees and averages their predictions. Each tree is trained on a random subset of the data and a random subset of features, which helps to reduce overfitting.

The high accuracy score can be attributed to their robustness to overfitting and outliers, ability to handle high-dimensional data, ability to reduce variance, and ability to improve generalization.

## HyperParameter Tuning

Random Search is computationally cheaper than Grid Search, as it does not require evaluating all possible combinations. We opted for Random Search over Grid Search because of computational resources and time. The models took long to run when using Grid Search and lesser time after implementation of Random Search.

The accuracy of the models also dropped when using Grid Search. The opposite is true for Random Search. Hence Random Search proved to be more efficient compared to Grid Search.

### a) Tuning XGBoost Model.

Learning rate - Controls the step size during the learning process. Lower models make the model more robust by taking smaller steps

Max depth- Controls the max depth of tree

n\_estimators - Number of boosting rounds

Regularization paramter - To prevent overfitting

Sub samples - Controls the fraction of samples to be used in boosting hence controls overfitting. Percentage of rows used for each tree construction. Lowering this value can prevent overfitting by training on a smaller subset of the data.

Minimum child weight

In [87]:

```
param_grid = {
    'learning_rate': uniform(0.001, 0.1),
    'max_depth': randint(3, 8),
    'n_estimators': randint(50, 250), # Using randint for integer values
    'subsample': uniform(0.5, 0.7) # Assuming you want to sample floats between 0.5 and 1
}

# Create RandomizedSearchCV instance
random_search = RandomizedSearchCV(estimator=XGBClassifier(random_state=42), param_distributions=param_grid, n

# Fitting the model
random_search.fit(X_train_encoded, y_train_encoded)

# Printing the best parameters
best_params = random_search.best_params_
best_params
```

Out[87]: {'learning\_rate': 0.05194292614503132,  
'max\_depth': 7,  
'n\_estimators': 116,  
'subsample': 0.6790900512596245}

In [104]:

```
# Tuned XGBoost Classifier with the best parameters given above
tuned_xgboost = XGBClassifier(
    n_estimators = 116,
    max_depth = 7,
    subsample = 0.6790900512596245,
    learning_rate = 0.05194292614503132,
)

# Fitting the tuned model on the training data
tuned_xgboost.fit(X_train_encoded,y_train_encoded)

# Making predictions on the test set
tuned_xgboost_prediction = tuned_xgboost.predict(X_test_encoded)

print("Precision: ",precision_score(y_test_encoded,tuned_xgboost_prediction, average='weighted'))
```

Precision: 0.8743692333844088

## b) Tuning Decision Trees.

In [89]:

```
parameter_grid = {
    'max_depth': [2,3,5,10,20],
    'min_samples_split': [2,5,10],
    'min_samples_leaf': [5,10,15],
    'criterion': ['gini','entropy'],
}

# Using Grid Search Cv to find the best parameters
grid_search = GridSearchCV(train_and_evaluate_model('Decision Tree',return_model=True),param_grid=parameter_gr

# Fitting the grid search object to the trained data
grid_search.fit(X_train_encoded,y_train)

# Printing the best parameters
best_decision_params = grid_search.best_params_
best_decision_params
```

Decision Tree Cross-Validation Scores: [0.81377372 0.81096275 0.8151792 0.80801688 0.80661041]

Out[89]: {'criterion': 'gini',  
'max\_depth': 10,  
'min\_samples\_leaf': 15,  
'min\_samples\_split': 2}

## c) Tuning Random Forest

```

In [90]: # Define the parameter distributions
param_dist = {
    'n_estimators': [25, 50, 100, 200,300,400],
    'max_depth': [5, 10, 15, None], # None for no maximum depth
    'min_samples_split': randint(2, 15), # Random integer between 2 and 10
    'min_samples_leaf': randint(1, 16), # Random integer between 1 and 15
    'criterion': ['entropy', 'gini'],
    'bootstrap': [True,False]
}

# Create a Random Forest classifier
rf = RandomForestClassifier(random_state=42)

# Create a RandomizedSearchCV object
random_search = RandomizedSearchCV(rf, param_distributions=param_dist, n_iter=100, cv=5, scoring='accuracy', n

# Fit the model
random_search.fit(X_train_encoded, y_train)

# Get the best parameters
best_params = random_search.best_params_
best_params

```

```

Out[90]: {'bootstrap': True,
          'criterion': 'gini',
          'max_depth': None,
          'min_samples_leaf': 1,
          'min_samples_split': 9,
          'n_estimators': 300}

```

**Function after using Randomized search for tuning**

```

In [95]: ▶ def train_and_evaluate_model(model_name, return_model=False):
    if model_name == "Decision Tree":
        model = DecisionTreeClassifier(
            random_state=42,
            criterion='gini',
            max_depth=10,
            min_samples_leaf=15,
            min_samples_split=2
        )
    elif model_name == "SVM":
        model = SVC(kernel="linear", C=1)
    elif model_name == "AdaBoost":
        model = AdaBoostClassifier(n_estimators=50, learning_rate=1, random_state=42)
    elif model_name == "Random Forest":
        model = RandomForestClassifier(
            random_state=42,
            criterion='gini',
            min_samples_leaf=1,
            min_samples_split=9,
            n_estimators=300
        )

    # Cross-validation with accuracy scoring
    cv_scores = cross_val_score(model, X_train_encoded, y_train, cv=5, scoring="accuracy")
    print(f"{model_name} Cross-Validation Scores: {cv_scores}")

    if return_model:
        return model

    # Fit the model with training data
    model.fit(X_train_encoded, y_train)

    # Make predictions
    predictions = model.predict(X_test_encoded)
    accuracy = accuracy_score(y_test, predictions)

    # Condition for feature importance
    if model_name in ['Decision Tree', 'Random Forest', 'Adaboost', 'XGBoost']:
        model_feature_importance(model, X_train_encoded, model_name)

    # Confusion Matrix
    plot_confusion_matrix(y_test, predictions, 'Blues')

    # Classification report
    report = classification_report(y_test, predictions)

    print("Accuracy Score: ", accuracy)

    print('\n')

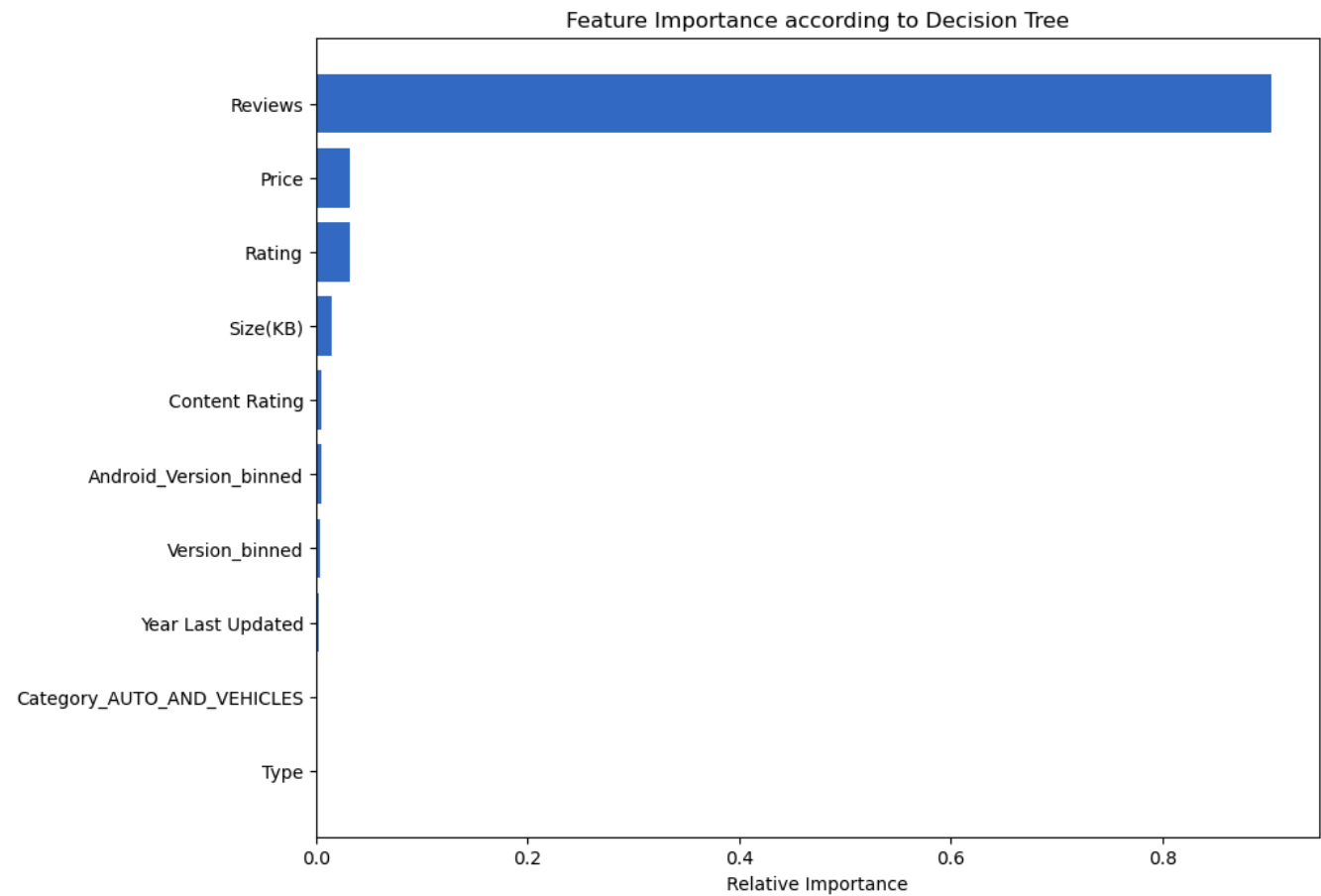
    print("Classification Report: \n", report)

```

**Decision Tree.**

```
In [96]: train_and_evaluate_model('Decision Tree',return_model=False)
```

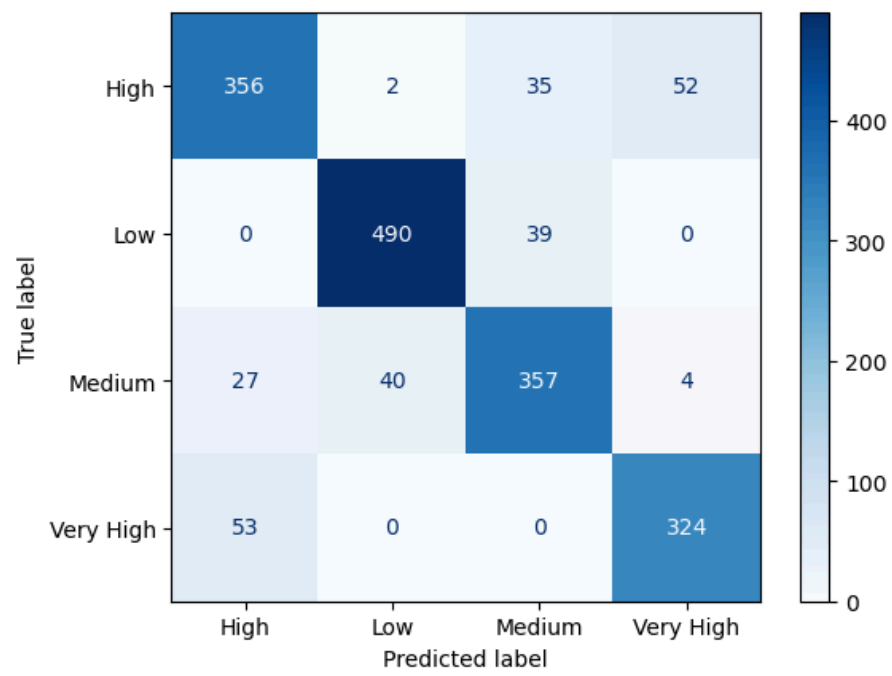
Decision Tree Cross-Validation Scores: [0.83274772 0.82501757 0.85593816 0.8347398 0.83825598]



Accuracy Score: 0.8583473861720068

Classification Report:

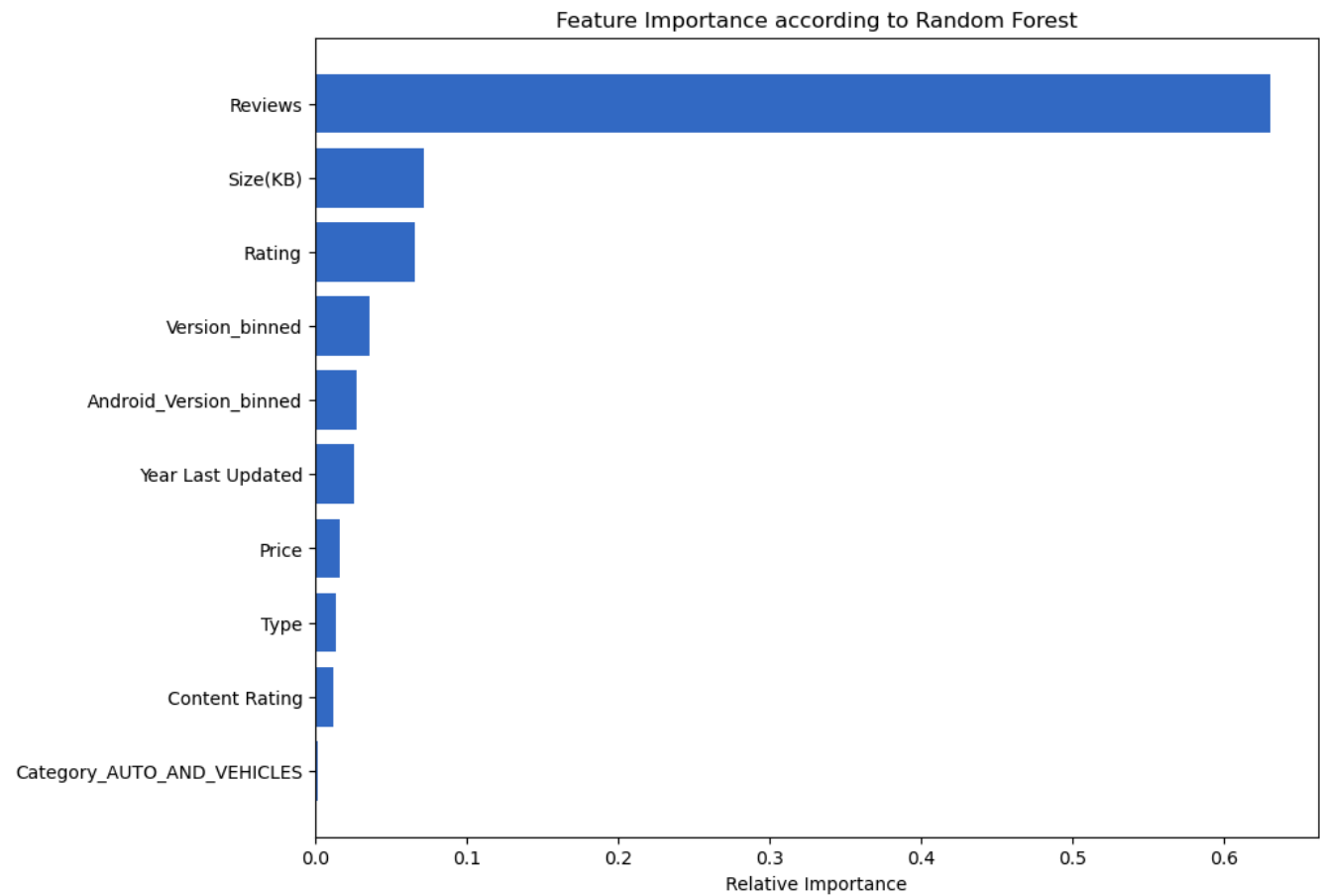
	precision	recall	f1-score	support
High	0.82	0.80	0.81	445
Low	0.92	0.93	0.92	529
Medium	0.83	0.83	0.83	428
Very High	0.85	0.86	0.86	377
accuracy			0.86	1779
macro avg	0.85	0.85	0.85	1779
weighted avg	0.86	0.86	0.86	1779



**Random Forest**

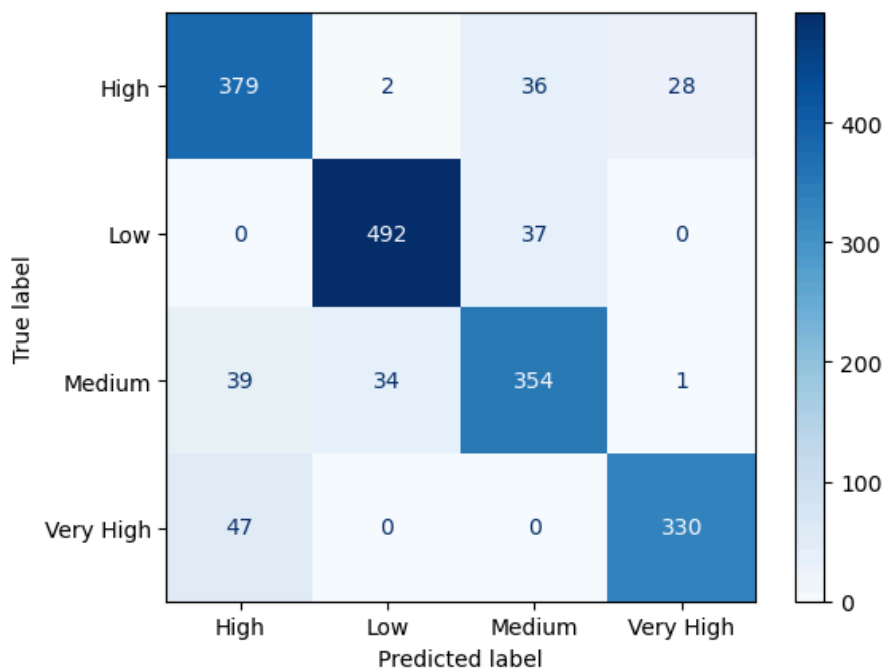
```
In [97]: train_and_evaluate_model('Random Forest',return_model=False)
```

Random Forest Cross-Validation Scores: [0.84609979 0.8566409 0.86296557 0.84810127 0.85654008]



Accuracy Score: 0.8740865654862282

Classification Report:				
	precision	recall	f1-score	support
High	0.82	0.85	0.83	445
Low	0.93	0.93	0.93	529
Medium	0.83	0.83	0.83	428
Very High	0.92	0.88	0.90	377
accuracy			0.87	1779
macro avg	0.87	0.87	0.87	1779
weighted avg	0.88	0.87	0.87	1779



## Conclusion

From this project, we uncovered significant information such as:

1. Finance had the highest number of reviews followed by books and references then health and fitness.
2. Paid apps were rated higher.
3. Most of the installed apps are in the marked range from 0 to around (12MB).
4. Game, Family and Sports categories have higher average sizes in KB, ranging from 20000 to 40000 KB.
5. Apps with a higher number of reviews tend to have more installs, indicating a positive relationship between user engagement and app popularity.
6. Larger apps may attract more user feedback, possibly due to their increased functionality or complexity.
7. Random Forests, at 88%, are the most precise of the five classification models, closely followed by XGBoost at 87%, and then decision trees at 86%. Consequently, 88% of the time we can reliably and precisely classify an app into low, medium, high, and very high using the Random Forest model. When utilizing the Random Forest model with the reviews as the most important feature.
8. Key Features: The following are the top 5 prominent features of the Random Forests Model:
  - a. Reviews
  - b. Size (KB)
  - c. Rating
  - d. Version\_binned
  - e. Year Last Up

These insights underscore the importance of aligning app development strategies with market demand and user expectations. Additionally, observations on app sizes highlight the critical role of optimization in enhancing user experience and mitigating barriers to adoption.

## Recommendations

**Optimize App Installations:** Pay attention to factors influencing app installations. By taking into consideration features that have a strong correlation with the number of installs, app developers will be able to optimize app descriptions, screenshots, and other promotional materials to attract more users and increase app installations.

**Enhance User Experience:** Prioritize providing a positive user experience within your apps. Consider factors such as app size, performance, and compatibility with different Android versions. Optimizing these aspects can contribute to higher user satisfaction and positive app ratings.

**Stay Updated on Market Trends:** Continuously monitor market trends within the Google Play Store ecosystem. Identify emerging app categories and changes in user preferences over time. This information can help you stay ahead of the curve and align your app development and marketing strategies with the evolving needs and interests of users.



## Next Steps

Moving forward we suggest the following steps :

1. Collaborate with Marketers and Stakeholders: Share the findings and insights from the analysis with marketers and stakeholders. Collaborate with marketing teams to develop targeted promotional campaigns based on user preferences and market trends. Engage with stakeholders to align app development strategies with business objectives and market demands.
2. Explore User Segmentation: Segment the user base based on different characteristics such as demographics, preferences, and behavior patterns. Analyze how different user segments interact with apps and identify specific needs and preferences. This information can guide personalized app development and targeted marketing efforts.
3. Refine the Machine Learning Model: Evaluate and refine the machine learning model developed for predicting app success and classifying app installations. Consider exploring different algorithms, tuning hyperparameters, and performing feature selection to improve the model's accuracy and performance.