Walmart sales data analysis using SQL

Objective: The primary objective of this project is to analyze Walmart's sales data to identify and understand the various factors influencing sales across its different branches.

Dataset description:

Column	Description	Data Type
invoice_id	Invoice of the sales made	VARCHAR(30)
branch	Branch at which the sales were made	VARCHAR(5)
city	Location of branch	VARCHAR(30)
customer_type	Type of customer	VARCHAR(30)
gender	Gender of the customer	VARCHAR(10)
product_line	Product line of the product sold	VARCHAR(100)
unit_price	Price of each product	DECIMAL(10,2)
quantity	Amount of the product sold	INT
VAT	Amount of tax on the purchase	FLOAT(6,4)
total	Total cost of purchase	DECIMAL(10,2)
date	Purchase date	DATE
time	Purchase time	TIMESTAMP
payment_method	Mode of payment	VARCHAR(15)
cogs	Cost of goods sold	DECIMAL(10,2)
gross_margin_percentage	Gross margin percentage	FLOAT(11,9)
gross_income	Gross income	DECIMAL(10,2)
rating	Rating	FLOAT(2,1)

The dataset was obtained from Kaggle.

TABLE CREATION:

```
CREATE TABLE IF NOT EXISTS sales(
      invoice_id VARCHAR(30) NOT NULL PRIMARY KEY,
  branch VARCHAR(5) NOT NULL,
  city VARCHAR(30) NOT NULL,
  customer_type VARCHAR(30) NOT NULL,
  gender VARCHAR(30) NOT NULL,
  product_line VARCHAR(100) NOT NULL,
  unit_price DECIMAL(10,2) NOT NULL,
  quantity INT NOT NULL,
  VAT FLOAT(6,4) NOT NULL,
  total DECIMAL(12, 4) NOT NULL,
  date DATETIME NOT NULL,
  time TIME NOT NULL,
  payment VARCHAR(15) NOT NULL,
  cogs DECIMAL(10,2) NOT NULL,
  gross margin pct FLOAT(11,9),
  gross_income DECIMAL(12, 4),
  rating FLOAT(2, 1)
);
```

Feature Engineering

1. Add a new column named `time_of_day` to give insight of sales in the Morning, Afternoon and Evening.

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CODE:

SELECT time, (CASE

WHEN `time` between "00:00:00" AND "12:00:00" THEN "Morning"

WHEN `time` between "12:01:00" AND "16:00:00" THEN "Afternoon"

ELSE "Evening"

END) AS time_of_day from sales;

ALTER TABLE sales ADD COLUMN time_of_day VARCHAR(20);

UPDATE sales

SET time_of_day = (

CASE

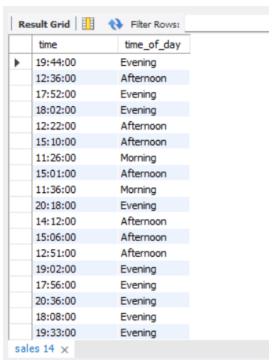
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WHEN `time` between "12:01:00" AND "16:00:00" THEN "Afternoon"

ELSE "Evening"
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OUTPUT:

END);



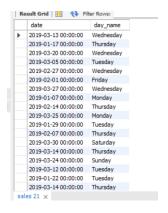
SELECT time, time of day FROM sales;

2. Add a new column named `day_name` that contains the extracted days of the week on which the given transaction took place (Mon, Tue, Wed, Thur, Fri). This will help answer the question on which week of the day each branch is busiest.

CODE:

SELECT date, DAYNAME(date) FROM sales; ALTER TABLE sales ADD COLUMN day_name VARCHAR(10); UPDATE sales SET day_name = DAYNAME(date); SELECT date, day_name FROM sales;

OUTPUT:

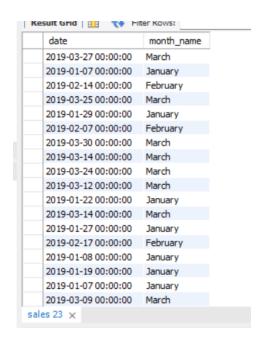


3. Add a new column named `month_name` that contains the extracted months of the year on which the given transaction took place (Jan, Feb, Mar). Help determine which month of the year has the most sales and profit.

CODE:

SELECT date, MONTHNAME(date) FROM sales;
ALTER TABLE sales ADD COLUMN month_name VARCHAR(10);
UPDATE sales SET month_name = MONTHNAME(date);
SELECT date, month_name FROM sales;

OUTPUT:



Generic Questions

1] How many unique cities does the data have?

CODE

SELECT COUNT(distinct(city)) AS NO OF UNIQUE CITIES FROM sales;

OUTPUT:



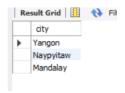
There are a total of 3 unique cities.

2] In which city is each branch?

CODE:

SELECT distinct city FROM sales;

OUTPUT:



There are 3 cities in which the branches are located - Yangon, Naypyitaw, Mandalay.

Product Analysis

1] How many unique product lines does the data have?

CODE:

SELECT COUNT(distinct product_line) AS NO_OF_DISTINCT_PRODUCT_LINES FROM sales;

OUTPUT:



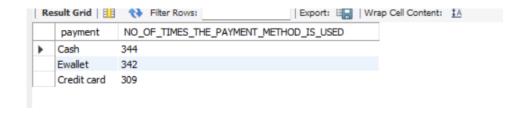
There are a total of 6 unique product lines in the data

2] What is the most common payment method?

CODE:

SELECT payment, COUNT(payment) AS NO_OF_TIMES_THE_PAYMENT_METHOD_IS_USED FROM sales GROUP BY payment ORDER BY COUNT(payment) DESC;

OUTPUT:



Cash mode of payment is the most common method.

3] What is the most selling product line?

CODE:

SELECT product_line, SUM(quantity) AS TOTAL_QUANTITY_SOLD FROM sales GROUP BY product_line ORDER BY SUM(quantity) DESC;

OUTPUT:



Electronic accessories is the most sold product line.

4] What is the total revenue by month?

CODE:

SELECT month_name AS MONTH, SUM(total) AS TOTAL_REVENUE FROM sales GROUP BY month_name ORDER BY SUM(total) DESC;

OUTPUT:



January boasts the highest total revenue

5] What month had the largest COGS?

CODE:

SELECT month_name AS MONTH, SUM(cogs) AS TOTAL_COST_OF_GOODS_SOLD FROM sales GROUP BY month_name ORDER BY SUM(cogs) DESC;
OUTPUT:



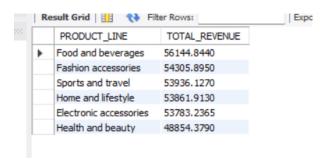
The month of January had the largest COGS.

6] What product line had the largest revenue?

CODE:

SELECT product_line AS PRODUCT_LINE, SUM(total) AS TOTAL_REVENUE FROM sales GROUP BY product_line ORDER BY SUM(total) DESC;

OUTPUT:



Food and Beverages have the largest revenue.

7] What is the city with the largest revenue?

CODE:

SELECT city AS CITY, SUM(total) AS TOTAL_REVENUE FROM sales GROUP BY city ORDER BY SUM(total) DESC;

OUTPUT:



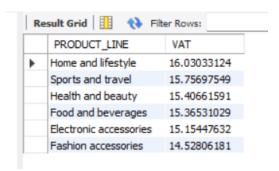
The city of Naypyitaw has the largest revenue.

8] What product line had the largest VAT?

CODE:

SELECT product_line AS PRODUCT_LINE, AVG(VAT) AS VAT FROM sales GROUP BY product_line ORDER BY AVG(VAT) DESC;

OUTPUT:



The product line Home and lifestyle has the largest VAT.

9] Fetch each product line and add a column to those product line showing "Good", "Bad". Good if its greater than average sales

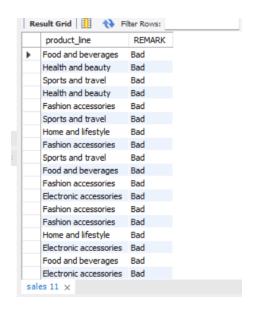
CODE:

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SELECT product_line AS PRODUCT_LINE, (CASE WHEN AVG(quantity)>6 THEN "Good" ELSE "Bad" END) AS REMARK FROM sales GROUP BY product_line;
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ALTER TABLE sales ADD COLUMN REMARK VARCHAR(10);

```
UPDATE sales s
JOIN (
    SELECT product_line, AVG(quantity) OVER () as avg_quantity
    FROM sales
) sub ON s.product_line = sub.product_line
SET s.REMARK = CASE
    WHEN sub.avg_quantity > 6 THEN 'Good'
    ELSE 'Bad'
END;
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SELECT product_line, REMARK from sales; **OUTPUT:**

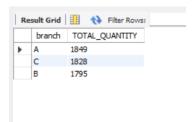


10] Which branch sold more products than average product sold?

CODE:

SELECT branch, SUM(quantity) AS TOTAL_QUANTITY FROM sales GROUP BY branch HAVING SUM(quantity) > (SELECT AVG(quantity) from sales) ORDER BY SUM(quantity) DESC:

OUTPUT:



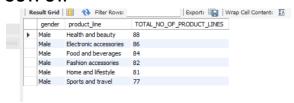
The branch A sold more products than the average products sold.

11] What is the most common product line by gender?

CODE:

SELECT gender, product_line, COUNT(product_line) AS TOTAL_NO_OF_PRODUCT_LINES FROM sales WHERE gender='Male' GROUP BY gender, product_line ORDER BY COUNT(product_line) DESC;

OUTPUT:

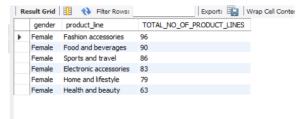


For the Male gender, the most common product line is Health and Beauty.

CODE:

SELECT gender, product_line, COUNT(product_line) AS TOTAL_NO_OF_PRODUCT_LINES FROM sales WHERE gender='Female' GROUP BY gender, product_line ORDER BY COUNT(product_line) DESC;

OUTPUT:



For the Female gender, the most common product line is Fashion accessories.

12] What is the average rating of each product line?

CODE:

SELECT product_line AS PRODUCT_LINE, AVG(rating) AS AVERAGE_RATING from sales GROUP BY product_line ORDER BY AVG(rating) DESC;

OUTPUT:



Sales Analysis

1] Number of sales made in each time of the day per weekday

CODE:

SELECT day_name, time_of_day, COUNT(*) AS TOTAL_SALES FROM sales WHERE day_name='Sunday' GROUP BY day_name, time_of_day ORDER BY COUNT(*) DESC; **OUTPUT:**

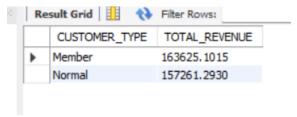


2] Which of the customer types brings the most revenue?

CODE:

SELECT customer_type AS CUSTOMER_TYPE, SUM(total) AS TOTAL_REVENUE FROM sales GROUP BY customer_type ORDER BY SUM(total) DESC;

OUTPUT:



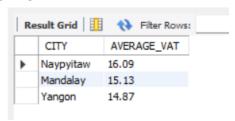
The member customer type brings the most revenue

3] Which city has the largest tax percent/ VAT (Value Added Tax)?

CODE:

SELECT city AS CITY, ROUND(AVG(VAT),2) AS AVERAGE_VAT from sales GROUP BY city ORDER BY AVG(VAT) DESC;

OUTPUT:



The city of Naypyitaw has the largest VAT.

4] Which customer type pays the most in VAT?

CODE:

SELECT customer_type AS CUSTOMER_TYPE, ROUND(AVG(VAT),2) AS AVERAGE_VAT from sales GROUP BY customer_type ORDER BY AVG(VAT) DESC;

OUTPUT:



The customer type - Member pays the most in VAT.

Customer Analysis

1] How many unique customer types does the data have?

CODE:

SELECT COUNT(distinct customer_type) AS NO_OF_UNIQUE_CUSTOMER_TYPE from sales:

OUTPUT:

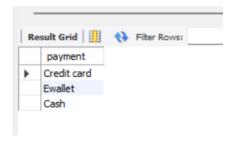


2] How many unique payment methods does the data have?

CODE:

SELECT distinct payment from sales;

OUTPUT:



3] What is the most common customer type?

CODE:

SELECT customer_type, COUNT(customer_type) AS NO_OF_CUSTOMER_TYPE FROM sales GROUP BY customer_type ORDER BY COUNT(customer_type) DESC;

OUTPUT:



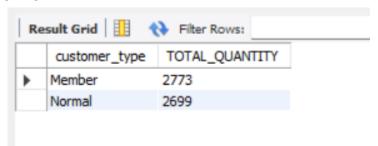
In total, there are 499 members and 496 normal customers.

4] Which customer type buys the most?

CODE:

SELECT customer_type, SUM(quantity) AS TOTAL_QUANTITY FROM sales GROUP BY customer_type ORDER BY SUM(quantity) DESC;

OUTPUT:



The total quantity of goods purchased by members is 2773, whereas normal customers bought 2699.

5] What is the gender of most of the customers?

CODE:

SELECT gender, COUNT(*) AS NO_OF_CUSTOMERS from sales GROUP BY gender ORDER BY COUNT(*) DESC;

OUTPUT:



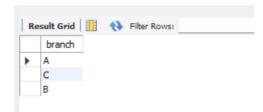
The total number of male customers is 498, while the total number of female customers is 497.

6] What is the gender distribution per branch?

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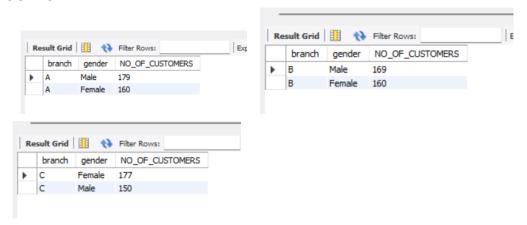
SELECT distinct branch from sales;

OUTPUT:



CODE:

SELECT branch, gender, COUNT(*) AS NO_OF_CUSTOMERS FROM sales WHERE branch='A' GROUP BY branch, gender ORDER BY COUNT(*) DESC; SELECT branch, gender, COUNT(*) AS NO_OF_CUSTOMERS FROM sales WHERE branch='B' GROUP BY branch, gender ORDER BY COUNT(*) DESC; SELECT branch, gender, COUNT(*) AS NO_OF_CUSTOMERS FROM sales WHERE branch='C' GROUP BY branch, gender ORDER BY COUNT(*) DESC; OUTPUT:



In Branch A, there are 179 male customers compared to 160 female customers. In Branch B, there are 169 male customers and 160 female customers. In Branch C, there are 177 female customers versus 150 male customers.

7] Which time of the day do customers give most ratings?

CODE:

SELECT time_of_day AS TIME_OF_DAY, ROUND(AVG(rating),2) AS AVG_RATING FROM sales GROUP BY time_of_day ORDER BY AVG(rating) DESC;



Overall, the afternoon has the highest average rating.

8] Which time of the day do customers give the most ratings per branch?

CODE:

SELECT branch, time_of_day AS TIME_OF_DAY, ROUND(AVG(rating),2) AS AVG_RATING FROM sales WHERE branch='A' GROUP BY branch, time_of_day ORDER BY AVG(rating) DESC;

SELECT branch, time_of_day AS TIME_OF_DAY, ROUND(AVG(rating),2) AS AVG_RATING FROM sales WHERE branch='B' GROUP BY branch, time_of_day ORDER BY AVG(rating) DESC;

SELECT branch, time_of_day AS TIME_OF_DAY, ROUND(AVG(rating),2) AS AVG_RATING FROM sales WHERE branch='C' GROUP BY branch, time_of_day ORDER BY AVG(rating) DESC;

OUTPUT:



For Branch A, the afternoon holds the highest average rating. For Branch B, the evening has the highest average rating. For Branch C, the morning achieves the highest average rating.

9] Which day of the week has the best avg ratings?

CODE:

SELECT day_name AS DAY_OF_THE_WEEK, ROUND(AVG(rating),2) AS AVG_RATING FROM sales GROUP BY day_name ORDER BY AVG(rating) DESC;

OUTPUT:



Monday boasts the highest average rating of the week.

10] Which day of the week has the best average ratings per branch?

CODE:

SELECT branch AS BRANCH, day_name AS DAY_OF_THE_WEEK, ROUND(AVG(rating),2) AS AVG_RATING FROM sales WHERE branch='A' GROUP BY branch, day_name ORDER BY AVG(rating) DESC;

SELECT branch AS BRANCH, day_name AS DAY_OF_THE_WEEK, ROUND(AVG(rating),2) AS AVG_RATING FROM sales WHERE branch='B' GROUP BY branch, day_name ORDER BY AVG(rating) DESC;

SELECT branch AS BRANCH, day_name AS DAY_OF_THE_WEEK, ROUND(AVG(rating),2) AS AVG_RATING FROM sales WHERE branch='C' GROUP BY branch, day_name ORDER BY AVG(rating) DESC;

OUTPUT: BRANCH DAY_OF_THE_WEEK AVG_RATING BRANCH DAY_OF_THE_WEEK AVG_RATING C 7.23 Saturday В Monday 7.27 Friday C 7.21 Tuesday В 7 C Wednesday 7.06 В Sunday 6.8 В Thursday 6.75 С Monday 7.04 В Saturday 6.74 7.03 C Sunday В Friday 6.69 C Tuesday 6.95 Wednesday C Thursday BRANCH DAY_OF_THE_WEEK AVG_RATING Friday Monday Sunday 7.08 Tuesday 7.06 Thursday 6.96 Wednesday 6.84 Saturday 6.75

For Branch A, the average ratings are highest on Friday. For Branch B, Monday has the best average ratings. For Branch C, Saturday is the top day for average ratings.

Insights and Recommendations:

1] Most Common Payment Method: The predominant mode of payment is cash.

Recommendation: Consider offering more payment options to cater to diverse customer preferences and enhance convenience.

2] Top Selling Product Line: Electronic accessories emerge as the best-selling product category.

Recommendation: Capitalize on the popularity of electronic accessories by expanding the product range or launching targeted marketing campaigns.

3] Highest Revenue Month: January records the highest total revenue.

Recommendation: Analyze the factors contributing to January's success and implement strategies to replicate or sustain this revenue peak in other months.

4] Largest COGS Month: January had the largest Cost of Goods Sold (COGS).

Recommendation: Evaluate cost-efficiency measures and supply chain management practices to optimize COGS throughout the year.

5] Top Revenue Category: Food and beverages generate the highest revenue.

Recommendation: Explore opportunities for product diversification or promotion within the food and beverage segment to further boost revenue.

6] Top Revenue City: Naypyitaw stands out with the highest revenue.

Recommendation: Consider investing more resources in Naypyitaw, such as targeted marketing campaigns or special promotions, to maintain or enhance its revenue contribution.

7] Product Line with Highest VAT: Home and lifestyle products have the largest average Value-Added Tax (VAT).

Recommendation: Review pricing strategies and VAT implications to ensure competitiveness and profitability within the home and lifestyle category.

8] Branch Performance: Branch A surpasses the average product sales volume.

Recommendation: Identify the factors contributing to Branch A's success and implement best practices across other branches to improve overall sales performance.

9] Gender-based Product Preferences: Health and beauty products are most popular among males, while females prefer fashion accessories.

Recommendation: Tailor marketing efforts and product offerings to align with gender-specific preferences and enhance customer satisfaction.

10] Top Revenue Customer Type: Members contribute the highest revenue.

Recommendation: Implement loyalty programs or exclusive offers to incentivize membership and encourage repeat purchases.

11] City with Highest VAT: Naypyitaw registers the highest VAT.

Recommendation: Monitor VAT trends and adjust pricing or promotional strategies accordingly to optimize revenue and VAT collection.

12] Customer Type with Highest VAT: Members pay the most in VAT.

Recommendation: Communicate the value proposition of membership, such as exclusive discounts or rewards, to justify the higher VAT expenditure for members.

13] Customer Demographics: There are 499 members and 496 normal customers in total.

Recommendation: Develop targeted marketing strategies to engage and retain both member and non-member customer segments effectively.

14] Total Quantity Purchased: Members purchase 2773 goods, while normal customers buy 2699.

Recommendation: Analyze purchase patterns to tailor inventory management and product assortment strategies to meet customer demand more efficiently.

15] Gender Distribution: The total number of male customers is 498, and female customers total 497.

Recommendation: Ensure gender-inclusive marketing and product offerings to cater to diverse customer demographics effectively.

16] Gender Distribution by Branch: Branch A has 179 male customers and 160 female customers, Branch B has 169 male customers and 160 female customers, and Branch C has 177 female customers and 150 male customers.

Recommendation: Investigate branch-specific factors influencing gender distribution and tailor marketing strategies accordingly to achieve better gender balance.

17] Peak Rating Time: Afternoons receive the highest average ratings overall.

Recommendation: Schedule customer service or promotional activities during peak rating times to maximize customer satisfaction and engagement.

18] Branch-specific Rating Peaks: Afternoons are best rated in Branch A, evenings in Branch B, and mornings in Branch C.

Recommendation: Align staffing and service offerings with peak rating times at each branch to enhance customer experience and satisfaction.

19] Weekly Rating Peak: Mondays receive the highest average ratings of the week.

Recommendation: Plan promotions or special events on Mondays to capitalize on positive customer sentiment and drive sales.

20] Branch-specific Weekly Rating Peaks: Fridays are best rated in Branch A, Mondays in Branch B, and Saturdays in Branch C.

Recommendation: Customize marketing strategies and promotions to coincide with each branch's peak rating day, optimizing customer engagement and satisfaction.