

Aircraft Risk Analysis Project - Phase 1

Introduction

In today's fast-evolving business landscape, diversification remains crucial to maintaining a competitive edge. This project focuses on a company exploring expansion into the aviation industry, an area with both tremendous potential and inherent operational risks. Safety, in particular, is a critical factor for new entrants who lack direct aviation experience.

Using real world aviation incident and survivability data, this project aims to guide investment decisions by highlighting aircraft models that offer the highest levels of safety and operational reliability. Through a careful examination of historical accident records, survivability outcomes, and aircraft safety scores, i provide a clear and data-driven assessment of which models are best suited for strategic fleet acquisition.

Beyond serving as a business case, this project also demonstrates key data science skills including data cleaning, dealing missing value, trend analysis, risk evaluation, and visualization. The final deliverables include actionable insights, a prioritized list of recommended aircraft, and an interactive dashboard designed to empower the company's new aviation division with evidence-based decision-making tools.

Objectives

- Analyze historical aircraft accident and survivability data to understand operational risk profiles.
- Identify and rank aircraft models based on comprehensive safety performance metrics.
- Perform robust data cleaning, missing value handling, and data integration.
- Uncover trends in incident severity and survivability across different aircraft types.
- Present findings through clear visualizations and a summarized, stakeholder-friendly format.
- Build an interactive dashboard to support investment decisions with real-time insights.

Data Source

The dataset comes from the National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) and includes records of civil aviation accidents and selected incidents in the United States and international waters from 1962 to 2023.

Tools & Libraries

- Python (Pandas, NumPy, Matplotlib, Seaborn)
- Jupyter Notebook
- Data cleaning and wrangling
- Exploratory data analysis (EDA)

Step 1 : Import Libraries

In [149...]

```
#Importing Libraries using standard alias
import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import seaborn as sns
import calendar

%matplotlib inline
```

Step 2 : Load and Inspect Data

In [150...]

```
#Loading the csv file into the notebook
#Adding low_memory=False to allow pandas to read the full file before deciding data
#Telling pandas to treat ?, Unknown , N/A and blank spaces as missing values
data= pd.read_csv('data/Aviation_Data.csv', low_memory=False, na_values=['?', 'Unkn'])

#Inspect the first 5 rows of the dataset
data.head()
```

Out[150...]

	Event.Id	Investigation.Type	Accident.Number	Event.Date	Location	Country
0	20001218X45444	Accident	SEA87LA080	1948-10-24	MOOSE CREEK, ID	United States
1	20001218X45447	Accident	LAX94LA336	1962-07-19	BRIDGEPORT, CA	United States
2	20061025X01555	Accident	NYC07LA005	1974-08-30	Saltville, VA	United States
3	20001218X45448	Accident	LAX96LA321	1977-06-19	EUREKA, CA	United States
4	20041105X01764	Accident	CHI79FA064	1979-08-02	Canton, OH	United States

5 rows × 31 columns



In [151...]

```
# Checking the number of rows and columns in the dataset
data.shape

# Displaying the dataset's dimensions (rows, columns)
print(f"The dataset contains {data.shape[0]} rows and {data.shape[1]} columns.")
```

The dataset contains 90348 rows and 31 columns.

In [152...]

```
# Getting a summary of the dataset
data.info()

<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 90348 entries, 0 to 90347
Data columns (total 31 columns):
 #   Column           Non-Null Count Dtype  
--- 
 0   Event.Id        88889 non-null  object  
 1   Investigation.Type 90348 non-null  object  
 2   Accident.Number  88889 non-null  object  
 3   Event.Date       88889 non-null  object  
 4   Location          88836 non-null  object  
 5   Country           88660 non-null  object  
 6   Latitude          34382 non-null  object  
 7   Longitude         34373 non-null  object  
 8   Airport.Code      50249 non-null  object  
 9   Airport.Name      52783 non-null  object  
 10  Injury.Severity  87889 non-null  object  
 11  Aircraft.damage  85576 non-null  object  
 12  Aircraft.Category 32273 non-null  object  
 13  Registration.Number 87569 non-null  object  
 14  Make              88805 non-null  object  
 15  Model              88796 non-null  object  
 16  Amateur.Built     88787 non-null  object  
 17  Number.of.Engines 82805 non-null  float64 
 18  Engine.Type       79761 non-null  object  
 19  FAR.Description   32001 non-null  object  
 20  Schedule           12582 non-null  object  
 21  Purpose.of.flight 75895 non-null  object  
 22  Air.carrier        16634 non-null  object  
 23  Total.Fatal.Injuries 77488 non-null  float64 
 24  Total.Serious.Injuries 76379 non-null  float64 
 25  Total.Minor.Injuries 76956 non-null  float64 
 26  Total.Uninjured    82977 non-null  float64 
 27  Weather.Condition  84397 non-null  object  
 28  Broad.phase.of.flight 61176 non-null  object  
 29  Report.Status      82508 non-null  object  
 30  Publication.Date  73659 non-null  object  

dtypes: float64(5), object(26)
memory usage: 21.4+ MB
```

In [153...]

```
#Looking at all columns present
data.columns
```

```
Out[153... Index(['Event.Id', 'Investigation.Type', 'Accident.Number', 'Event.Date',
   'Location', 'Country', 'Latitude', 'Longitude', 'Airport.Code',
   'Airport.Name', 'Injury.Severity', 'Aircraft.damage',
   'Aircraft.Category', 'Registration.Number', 'Make', 'Model',
   'Amateur.Built', 'Number.of.Engines', 'Engine.Type', 'FAR.Description',
   'Schedule', 'Purpose.of.flight', 'Air.carrier', 'Total.Fatal.Injuries',
   'Total.Serious.Injuries', 'Total.Minor.Injuries', 'Total.Uninjured',
   'Weather.Condition', 'Broad.phase.of.flight', 'Report.Status',
   'Publication.Date'],
  dtype='object')
```

In [154... *#Getting a summary statistics for numerical columns in the dataset*
data.describe()

Out[154... *Number.of.Engines Total.Fatal.Injuries Total.Serious.Injuries Total.Minor.Injuries Tot*

	Number.of.Engines	Total.Fatal.Injuries	Total.Serious.Injuries	Total.Minor.Injuries	Tot
count	82805.000000	77488.000000	76379.000000	76956.000000	8
mean	1.146585	0.647855	0.279881	0.357061	
std	0.446510	5.485960	1.544084	2.235625	
min	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	
25%	1.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	
50%	1.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	
75%	1.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	
max	8.000000	349.000000	161.000000	380.000000	

Step 3 : Data Cleaning

In [155... *# Creating a copy of the cleaned DataFrame to avoid modifying the original*
cleaned_data = data.copy()

In [156... *#Inspecting cleaned data*
cleaned_data.info()

```
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 90348 entries, 0 to 90347
Data columns (total 31 columns):
 #   Column           Non-Null Count  Dtype  
--- 
 0   Event.Id         88889 non-null   object  
 1   Investigation.Type 90348 non-null   object  
 2   Accident.Number  88889 non-null   object  
 3   Event.Date        88889 non-null   object  
 4   Location          88836 non-null   object  
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 8   Airport.Code      50249 non-null   object  
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 17  Number.of.Engines 82805 non-null   float64 
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 21  Purpose.of.flight 75895 non-null   object  
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 24  Total.Serious.Injuries 76379 non-null   float64 
 25  Total.Minor.Injuries 76956 non-null   float64 
 26  Total.Uninjured    82977 non-null   float64 
 27  Weather.Condition  84397 non-null   object  
 28  Broad.phase.of.flight 61176 non-null   object  
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 30  Publication.Date   73659 non-null   object  
dtypes: float64(5), object(26)
memory usage: 21.4+ MB
```

In [157...]

```
#Changing the Event.Date and Publication.Date columns into datetime
cleaned_data['Event.Date']=pd.to_datetime(cleaned_data['Event.Date'])
cleaned_data['Publication.Date']=pd.to_datetime(cleaned_data['Publication.Date'])

#Checking if it has been applied
cleaned_data[['Event.Date','Publication.Date']].head()
```

Out[157...]

	Event.Date	Publication.Date
0	1948-10-24	NaT
1	1962-07-19	1996-09-19
2	1974-08-30	2007-02-26
3	1977-06-19	2000-12-09
4	1979-08-02	1980-04-16

In [158...]

```
# Checking if there are any duplicate rows
cleaned_data.duplicated().any()
```

Out[158...]

True

In [159...]

```
# Droping duplicated rows and keeping the first occurrence
cleaned_data = cleaned_data.drop_duplicates()

#Checking dimensions of our cleaned data after duplicates have been dropped
cleaned_data.shape
print(f"The Cleaned dataset contains {cleaned_data.shape[0]} rows and {cleaned_data
```

The Cleaned dataset contains 88958 rows and 31 columns.

In [160...]

```
#Grouping the numerical values and fill them with the mean
numeric_values = cleaned_data.select_dtypes(include=[float, int]).columns
cleaned_data[numeric_values] = cleaned_data[numeric_values].fillna(cleaned_data[numeric
```

In [161...]

```
#Checking for any null values in the numerical values
cleaned_data[numeric_values].isna().sum()
```

Out[161...]

Number.of.Engines	0
Total.Fatal.Injuries	0
Total.Serious.Injuries	0
Total.Minor.Injuries	0
Total.Uninjured	0
	dtype: int64

In [162...]

```
# Selecting all object and datetime columns
categorical_values = cleaned_data.select_dtypes(include=['object', 'datetime64[ns]'])

# Looping through each column and filling missing values with the mode
for column in categorical_values:
    mode_series = cleaned_data[column].mode()

    # Only fills if the mode exists
    if not mode_series.empty:
        mode_value = mode_series.iloc[0]
        cleaned_data[column] = cleaned_data[column].fillna(mode_value)
```

In [163...]

```
#Check for any null values in the categoriacal values
cleaned_data[categorical_values].isna().sum()
```

```
Out[163...]: Event.Id          0  
Investigation.Type      0  
Accident.Number         0  
Event.Date              0  
Location                0  
Country                 0  
Latitude                0  
Longitude               0  
Airport.Code             0  
Airport.Name             0  
Injury.Severity          0  
Aircraft.damage          0  
Aircraft.Category        0  
Registration.Number      0  
Make                     0  
Model                    0  
Amateur.Built            0  
Engine.Type              0  
FAR.Description          0  
Schedule                 0  
Purpose.of.flight         0  
Air.carrier               0  
Weather.Condition         0  
Broad.phase.of.flight     0  
Report.Status             0  
Publication.Date          0  
dtype: int64
```

```
In [164...]: # Looping through each categorical column and applying strip() for each column  
for column in categorical_values:  
    # Converting the column to string type first, then applying strip() and making  
    cleaned_data[column] = cleaned_data[column].astype(str).str.strip().str.capitalize()
```

```
In [165...]: # Selecting numeric and categorical data by column names, then combining them back  
numerical_data = cleaned_data[numerical_values]  
categorical_data = cleaned_data[categorical_values]  
cleaned_data = pd.concat([numerical_data, categorical_data], axis=1)  
  
# Checking the 1st 5 rows of the cleaned data  
cleaned_data.head()
```

Out[165...]

	Number.of.Engines	Total.Fatal.Injuries	Total.Serious.Injuries	Total.Minor.Injuries	Total.U
0	1.000000	2.0	0.000000	0.000000	
1	1.000000	4.0	0.000000	0.000000	
2	1.000000	3.0	0.279881	0.357061	
3	1.000000	2.0	0.000000	0.000000	
4	1.146585	1.0	2.000000	0.357061	

5 rows × 31 columns



In [166...]

```
#checking the data in the make column
cleaned_data['Make'].head(10)
```

Out[166...]

```
0      Stinson
1      Piper
2      Cessna
3      Rockwell
4      Cessna
5  McDonnell douglas
6      Cessna
7      Cessna
8      Cessna
9      North american
Name: Make, dtype: object
```

In [167...]

```
#Inspecting information about the data after cleaning
cleaned_data.info()
```

```
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
Int64Index: 88958 entries, 0 to 90347
Data columns (total 31 columns):
 #   Column           Non-Null Count  Dtype  
--- 
 0   Number.of.Engines    88958 non-null   float64 
 1   Total.Fatal.Injuries 88958 non-null   float64 
 2   Total.Serious.Injuries 88958 non-null   float64 
 3   Total.Minor.Injuries 88958 non-null   float64 
 4   Total.Uninjured      88958 non-null   float64 
 5   Event.Id            88958 non-null   object  
 6   Investigation.Type  88958 non-null   object  
 7   Accident.Number     88958 non-null   object  
 8   Event.Date          88958 non-null   object  
 9   Location             88958 non-null   object  
 10  Country              88958 non-null   object  
 11  Latitude             88958 non-null   object  
 12  Longitude            88958 non-null   object  
 13  Airport.Code         88958 non-null   object  
 14  Airport.Name         88958 non-null   object  
 15  Injury.Severity     88958 non-null   object  
 16  Aircraft.damage     88958 non-null   object  
 17  Aircraft.Category   88958 non-null   object  
 18  Registration.Number 88958 non-null   object  
 19  Make                 88958 non-null   object  
 20  Model                88958 non-null   object  
 21  Amateur.Built       88958 non-null   object  
 22  Engine.Type          88958 non-null   object  
 23  FAR.Description     88958 non-null   object  
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 25  Purpose.of.flight   88958 non-null   object  
 26  Air.carrier          88958 non-null   object  
 27  Weather.Condition   88958 non-null   object  
 28  Broad.phase.of.flight 88958 non-null   object  
 29  Report.Status        88958 non-null   object  
 30  Publication.Date    88958 non-null   object  
dtypes: float64(5), object(26)
memory usage: 21.7+ MB
```

In [168...]

```
#Creating a new csv of a cleaned data
cleaned_data.to_csv('cleaned_data.csv', index=False)
```

''' The dataset has been thoroughly cleaned, with missing values handled. Duplicate rows have been removed, and data inside the columns cleaned. Following these data cleaning steps, the dataset now consists of 31 columns and 88,958 rows. The next step involves visualizing the cleaned data. '''

Step 4 : Data Analysis and Visualizations

In [169...]

```
#summary statistics for numerical columns in the cleaned dataset
cleaned_data.describe()
```

Out[169...]

	Number.of.Engines	Total.Fatal.Injuries	Total.Serious.Injuries	Total.Minor.Injuries	Tot
count	88958.000000	88958.000000	88958.000000	88958.000000	88958.000000
mean	1.146585	0.647855	0.279881	0.357061	
std	0.430791	5.120083	1.430754	2.079349	
min	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	
25%	1.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	
50%	1.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	
75%	1.000000	0.647855	0.279881	0.357061	
max	8.000000	349.000000	161.000000	380.000000	



Key Analysis:

Fatal Injuries: Majority of the accidents have no fatalities as seen in the 25%, 50% and 75% percentiles. However, there are extreme cases with up to 349 fatal injuries in one incident

Serious and Minor Injuries: Similar to the fatal injuries, majority of the incidents have no serious and minor injuries, but there are some outliers with other 161 serious injuries and 380 minor injuries

Uninjured individuals: Most accidents have some injured individuals with a higher median value of 2 while in other cases many people were uninjured

Step 4a : Top 10 Safest Aircraft Models

Defining the "Safest" Aircraft

For our analysis "Safest" will be defined through the following criteria.

- Low Total Fatal Injuries per aircraft model
- Low Total Serious Injuries per aircraft model
- High Total Uninjured counts

We will calculate a Safety Score for each aircraft model using the following logic:

cleaned_data{Safety Score} = cleaned_data{Total Uninjured} - (cleaned_data{Total Fatal Injuries} + cleaned_data{Total Serious Injuries})

- The higher the Safety Score, the safer the aircraft is considered.
- This score balances survivability and injury severity across all recorded events.

In [170...]

```
# Grouping by Make and Model
grouped = cleaned_data.groupby(['Make', 'Model']).agg({
    'Total.Fatal.Injuries': 'sum',
```

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        'Total.Serious.Injuries': 'sum',
        'Total.Uninjured': 'sum'
    }).reset_index()

# Creating a Safety Score
grouped['Safety_Score'] = grouped['Total.Uninjured'] - (grouped['Total.Fatal.Injuries'] + grouped['Total.Serious.Injuries'])

# Sorting by Safety Score descending (highest = safest)
top_10_safest = grouped.sort_values('Safety_Score', ascending=False).head(10)

# Saving to CSV for Tableau
top_10_safest.to_csv('top_10_safest_aircraft.csv', index=False)

print(top_10_safest)

```

	Make	Model	Total.Fatal.Injuries
3176	Boeing	737	1353.182841
3465	Boeing	777	5.830696
3355	Boeing	747-400	91.422117
3410	Boeing	767	130.591421
11601	Mcdonnell douglas	Dc-10-10	112.943565
11605	Mcdonnell douglas	Dc-10-30	24.534986
3296	Boeing	747	13.126407
3378	Boeing	757	48.534986
3123	Boeing	727-200	58.478552
3241	Boeing	737-300	178.661393

	Total.Serious.Injuries	Total.Uninjured	Safety_Score
3176	389.959164	25462.301758	23719.159753
3465	28.679284	9440.301758	9405.791778
3355	46.078687	6281.301758	6143.800955
3410	111.839642	6370.325440	6127.894377
11601	67.839642	6248.000000	6067.216793
11605	27.119522	5156.325440	5104.670931
3296	77.798806	5063.952637	4973.027425
3378	14.239045	4988.650879	4925.876848
3123	15.239045	4369.325440	4295.607843
3241	43.478090	4071.627198	3849.487716

```

In [171]: # Creating a visualization of the top 10 safest aircraft
          # Loading the top_10_safest dataset
          top_10_safest = pd.read_csv('top_10_safest_aircraft.csv')

          # Combining Make and Model columns into a new Make_Model column
          top_10_safest['Make_Model'] = top_10_safest['Make'] + ' ' + top_10_safest['Model']

          # Setting the seaborn style for better visuals
          sns.set(style="whitegrid")

          # Creating the Horizontal Bar Chart
          plt.figure(figsize=(10, 6))
          sns.barplot(data=top_10_safest, y='Make_Model', x='Safety_Score', palette='Blues_d')

          # Adding Labels and title
          plt.title('Top 10 Safest Aircraft Models', fontsize=16)
          plt.xlabel('Safety Score', fontsize=12)

```

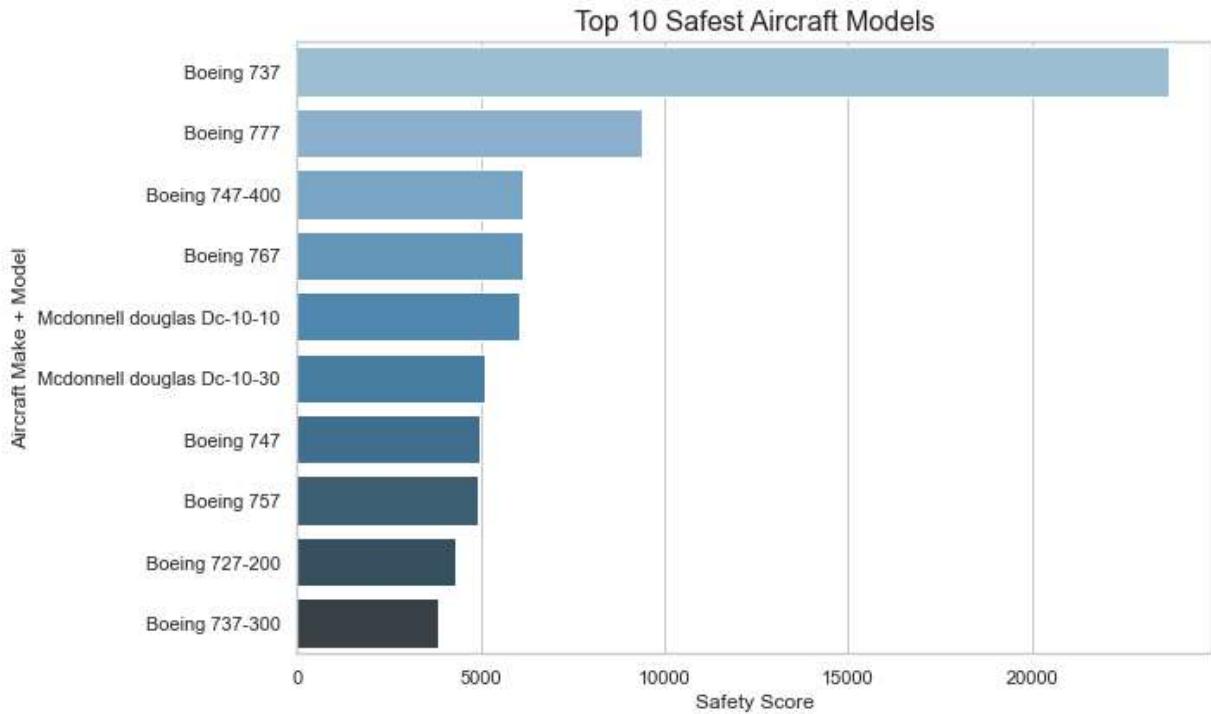
```

plt.ylabel('Aircraft Make + Model', fontsize=12)

# Saving the plot as an image
plt.savefig('Top_10_Safest_Aircraft_Models.png')

# Showing the plot
plt.tight_layout()
plt.show()

```



Key Insights

Out of the top 10 safest aircraft models, 8 are manufactured by Boeing. This demonstrates Boeing's significant reputation for safety in the commercial aviation industry.

The Boeing 737 stands out dramatically with a Safety Score of 23,719, far higher than any other aircraft. Despite having a relatively high number of total fatal injuries (~1353), its massive number of uninjured passengers (~25,462) boosts its overall safety profile.

Two models from McDonnell Douglas DC-10-10 and DC-10-30 also appear in the top 10, with decent safety scores (~6067 and ~5105). This indicates their historical reliability.

In general, newer aircraft (e.g., Boeing 777) and larger planes (e.g., Boeing 747-400) tend to perform better in safety evaluations, likely due to advances in technology, materials, and engineering design.

Step 4b : Relationship between Fatalities and Uninjured Passengers per Event

In this section, we are focusing on extracting the number of fatalities and uninjured passengers for the Top 10 Safest Aircraft Models based on the safety score we computed

earlier. This will help us visualize the relationship between fatalities and uninjured passengers per event.

```
In [172...]
# Mergeing the top_10_safest datafame with the original data to get Fatalities and
filtered_data = cleaned_data[cleaned_data['Model'].isin(top_10_safest['Model'])]

# Groupin the data by Make and Model to get Fatalities and Uninjured counts
grouped_filtered = filtered_data.groupby(['Make', 'Model']).agg({
    'Total.Fatal.Injuries': 'sum',
    'Total.Serious.Injuries': 'sum',
    'Total.Uninjured': 'sum'
}).reset_index()

# Calculating Fatalities per Event (Fatalities + Serious Injuries)
grouped_filtered['Fatalities_Per_Event'] = grouped_filtered['Total.Fatal.Injuries']

#Creating a new csv of the grouped data for Tableau
grouped_filtered.to_csv('grouped_filtered.csv', index=False)
```

```
In [173...]
# Creating a Scatterplot with a better palette for categories
plt.figure(figsize=(14, 8))

sns.scatterplot(
    data=grouped_filtered,
    x='Fatalities_Per_Event',
    y='Total.Uninjured',
    hue='Model', # The model will be represented by the color palette
    style='Make',
    palette='tab10', # Tab10 is better for categorical colors
    s=150
)

# Title and Labels
plt.title('Fatalities vs Uninjured Passengers per Event for The\nTop 10 Safest Airc...', fontsize=14)
plt.xlabel('Fatalities per Event', fontsize=14)
plt.ylabel('Uninjured Passengers per Event', fontsize=14)

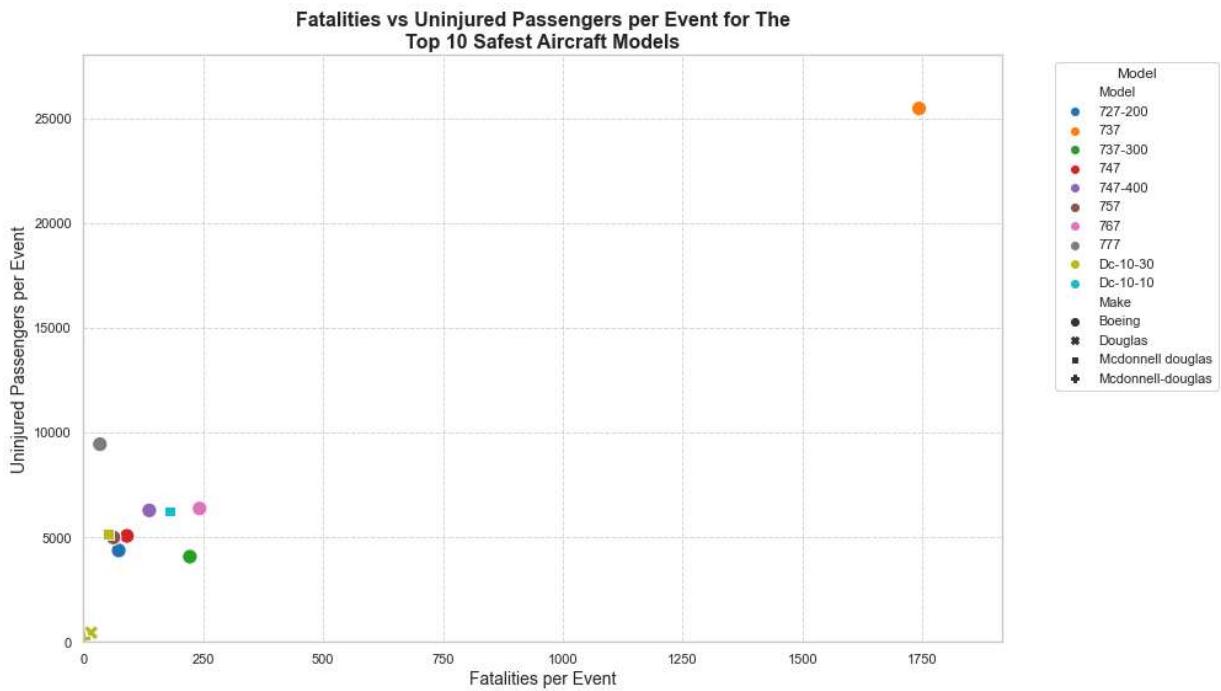
# Setting a tighter x and y limit
plt.xlim(0, grouped_filtered['Fatalities_Per_Event'].max() * 1.1)
plt.ylim(0, grouped_filtered['Total.Uninjured'].max() * 1.1)

# Legend positioning
plt.legend(bbox_to_anchor=(1.05, 1), loc='upper left', title='Model')

# Grid and layout adjustments
plt.grid(True, linestyle='--', alpha=0.7)
plt.tight_layout()

# Saving the plot as an image
plt.savefig('Fatalities_vs_Uninjured_Passengers_per_Event.png')
```

```
# Show the plot
plt.show()
```



Key Insights

Boeing 737 is an outlier with very high fatalities and uninjured counts due to high traffic volume.

Boeing 777 shows excellent safety, with very low fatalities and a high number of uninjured passengers.

Other Boeing models (747-400, 767, 757) cluster together, indicating consistent and strong safety performance.

McDonnell Douglas models have moderate safety, showing slightly higher fatalities and fewer uninjured passengers.

Overall, newer aircraft models demonstrate better survival outcomes per event.

Step 4c : Aircraft Damage Comparison by Make/Model for Top 10 Safest Aircraft

This code analyzes aircraft damage for the top 10 safest aircraft models by grouping, pivoting, and preparing the data for visualization in Tableau. This process allows us to clearly compare different damage types across aircraft models and prepare the data for effective visualization and insight generation.

```
In [174...]: # Filtering the data to focus on the top 10 safest aircraft models
filtered_damage_data = cleaned_data[cleaned_data['Model'].isin(top_10_safest['Model'])]

# Grouping by Make, Model, and Aircraft Damage and count occurrences
```

```

damage_grouped = filtered_damage_data.groupby(['Make', 'Model', 'Aircraft.damage'])

# Pivoting the table so each type of damage becomes a separate column
damage_pivot = damage_grouped.pivot_table(
    index=['Make', 'Model'],
    columns='Aircraft.damage',
    values='Count',
    fill_value=0
).reset_index()

# Checking the pivoted data
print(damage_pivot)

# Combining Make and Model into one column for cleaner plotting
damage_pivot['Make_Model'] = damage_pivot['Make'] + " " + damage_pivot['Model']

# Transferring the dataframe to CSV for Tableau
damage_pivot.to_csv('aircraft_damage_comparison.csv', index=False)

```

Aircraft.damage	Make	Model	Destroyed	Minor	Substantial
0	Boeing	727-200	1	17	25
1	Boeing	737	15	124	350
2	Boeing	737-300	5	13	33
3	Boeing	747	2	38	45
4	Boeing	747-400	1	9	19
5	Boeing	757	2	14	43
6	Boeing	767	3	17	48
7	Boeing	777	1	32	62
8	Boeing	Dc-10-30	0	0	2
9	Douglas	Dc-10-10	0	3	0
10	Douglas	Dc-10-30	0	1	3
11	Mcdonnell douglas	Dc-10-10	1	16	19
12	Mcdonnell douglas	Dc-10-30	2	9	13
13	Mcdonnell-douglas	Dc-10-10	0	1	0
14	Mcdonnell-douglas	Dc-10-30	0	1	1

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# Plotting a Bar Chart

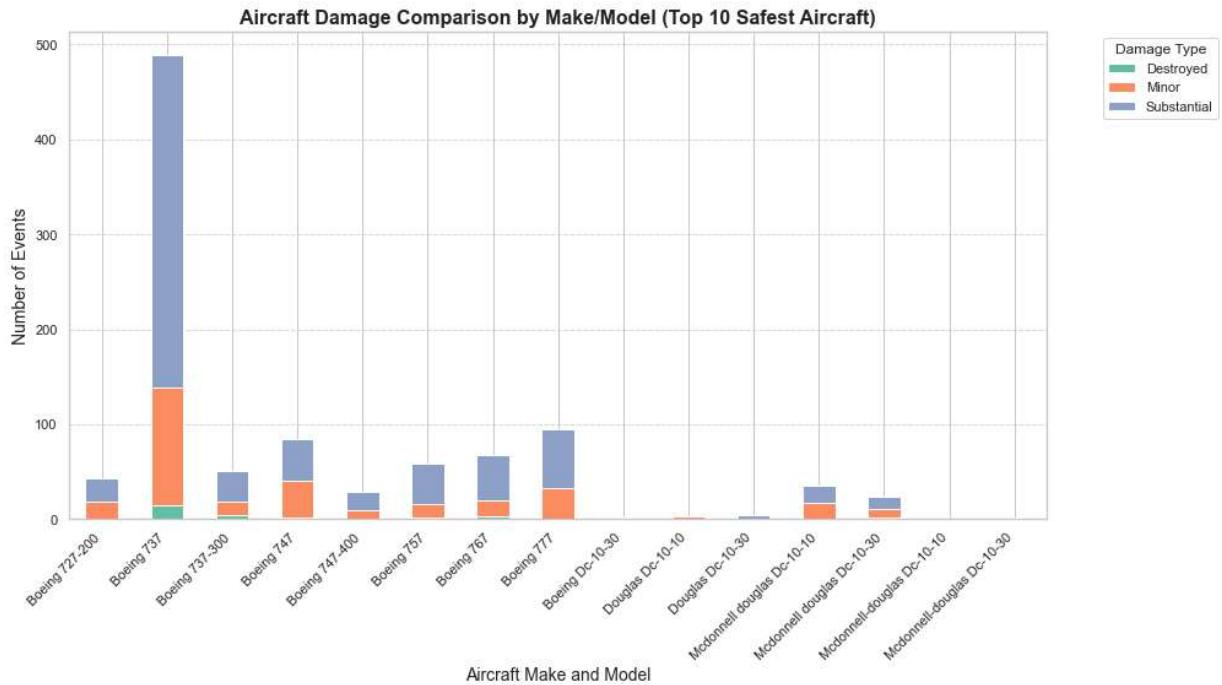
# Setting a color map for different damage types
colors = plt.cm.Set2.colors

# Plotting the chart
damage_pivot.set_index('Make_Model').plot(
    kind='bar',
    stacked=True,
    figsize=(14, 8),
    color=colors
)

plt.title('Aircraft Damage Comparison by Make/Model (Top 10 Safest Aircraft)', font
plt.xlabel('Aircraft Make and Model', fontsize=14)
plt.ylabel('Number of Events', fontsize=14)
plt.legend(title='Damage Type', bbox_to_anchor=(1.05, 1), loc='upper left')
plt.xticks(rotation=45, ha='right')
plt.grid(axis='y', linestyle='--', alpha=0.7)
plt.tight_layout()

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plt.savefig('Aircraft_Damage_Comparison_by_Make_and_Model.png')
plt.show()
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Key Insights

Boeing Models tend to have higher counts of Minor and Substantial damage compared to Douglas and McDonnell Douglas models. This could suggest more frequent incidents or that these models are more prone to certain damage types.

The Dc-10-30 variants from both Douglas and McDonnell Douglas have fewer Destroyed or Minor damage incidents, which might indicate better performance in terms of accident severity or simply fewer incidents.

Boeing 737 and Boeing 747 seem to be involved in incidents resulting in substantial damage, pointing to either higher usage or specific design factors contributing to increased damage.

The Boeing 737 appears to have higher numbers of Substantial and Minor damages, suggesting a need for deeper investigation into operational practices, maintenance, or design features.

Step 5 :Recommendations

The primary recommendation is to prioritize the acquisition of the Boeing 777. This model consistently demonstrates outstanding safety across all measured dimensions, including very low fatality rates, a high number of uninjured passengers per event, and a strong overall safety score. The Boeing 777 has proven reliability in both survivability and structural integrity, making it the safest and most future-proof choice for fleet expansion.

As a secondary option, the Boeing 747-400 and Boeing 767 should also be considered. Both models have established strong safety records, exhibiting good durability with relatively few incidents involving major damage or fatalities. Their track records suggest they would add resilience and flexibility to the fleet. For newer Boeing 737 models, investment should be approached more cautiously. While these aircraft generally show good safety statistics, the sheer size of the global 737 fleet means there is inherently higher exposure to incidents, which could impact the perception of risk even if the aircraft themselves are safe.

Finally, it is recommended to avoid significant investment in McDonnell Douglas DC-10 variants. Although some DC-10 models appear in the safety rankings, they are older designs with a relatively higher rate of fatalities per event, which increases operational risk and potential maintenance burdens over time. Choosing to focus investments on the Boeing 777, with supplemental acquisitions of the Boeing 747-400 and 767, offers the best balance of safety, reliability, and operational sustainability.