

Inventory Analysis in Tableau

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Project Objective

- Company: Acropolis Retail Inc.
- Objective: To communicated insights for renewal of items
- Tasks:
- Analyze inventory turnover and revenue performance
- Identify high-value and low-value products
- Optimize stock levels for improved efficiency
- Provide insights for better inventory management

What is Inventory Analysis?

- Optimizing the management of inventory
- Benefits:
 - Reduces
 - storage expenses
 - purchase costs
 - unused goods
 - Increases
 - profit

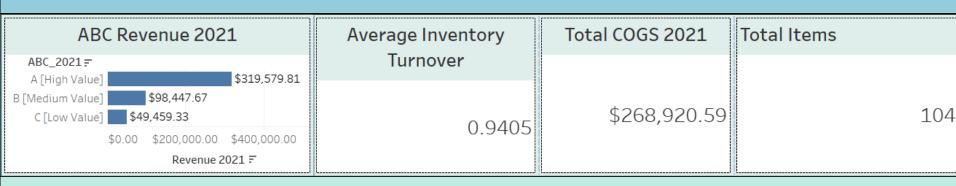
Dataset

• Two tables with information on item description, initial stock, orders, dates, countries, and prices

Stock
SKU-ID
Description
2020_units_sold
2021_start_stock
Raw_Material_Cost
Factory_Labor_Costs
Factory_Equipment_Rent_Costs
Distribution_Costs
Advertisement_Costs
Retail_Price
Category

Orders
Invoice_No
SKU-ID
Quantity
Invoice_Date
Customer_Country

Calculations & Metrics



 $Revenue = quantity of units sold \times selling price$

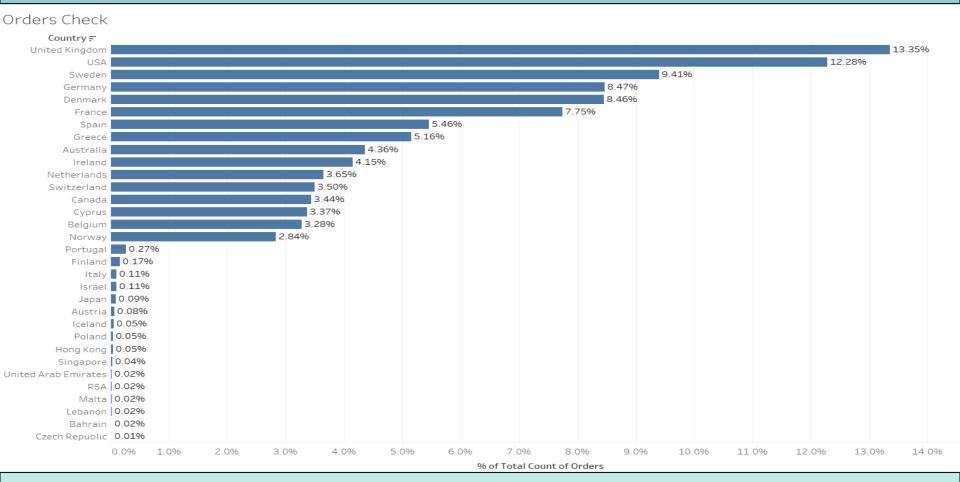
$$COGS = (Raw materials + Labor + Factory overhead) \times units sold$$

Gross Profit = Revenue - COGS

$$Average inventory value = \frac{Starting value + Ending value}{2}$$

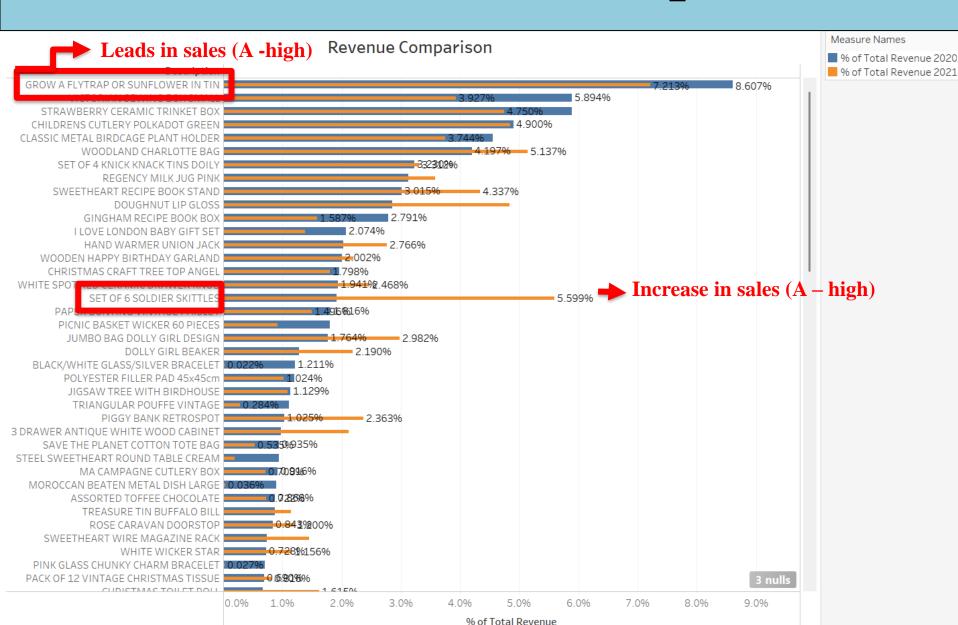
$$Inventory\ turnover = \frac{COGS}{Average\ inventory\ value}$$

Orders by country



• Top - UK (1780), US(1637)

Product Revenue Comparison



Inventory Turnover

1.969 1.908 1.883 1.868 1.839 1.818 1.760 1.762 1.760 1.746 1.741 1.741

1.714

1.671

1.605

1.584

1.560

1.535

1.521

1.519

1.517

1.512

1.510

1.508

1.491

1.487

1.470

1.459

1.453

1.447

1.437

1.436

1.420

1.416

1.416

1.400

1.375

4 250

Sells fastest (A-high)		Inventory Turnover - Top 20
	ABC_2021	
DOUGHNUT LIP GLOSS	A [High Value]	
DOLLI GINE BEAKEN	A [High Value]	
JAZZ HEARTS ADDRESS BOOK	C [Low Value]	
REGENCY MILK JUG PINK	A [High Value]	
PAPER BUNTING VINTAGE PAISLEY	B [Medium Value]	
SET OF 4 KNICK KNACK TINS DOILY	A [High Value]	
CHILDRENS CUTLERY POLKADOT GREEN	A [High Value]	
JUMBO BAG DOLLY GIRL DESIGN	A [High Value]	
WOODLAND CHARLOTTE BAG	A [High Value]	
PACK OF 12 VINTAGE CHRISTMAS TISSUE	B [Medium Value]	
TREASURE TIN BUFFALO BILL	B [Medium Value]	
VICTORIAN METAL POSTCARD SPRING	B [Medium Value]	
WHITE WICKER STAR	B [Medium Value]	

A [High Value]

C [Low Value]

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A [High Value]

A [High Value]

A FILL HE MELLE

B [Medium Value]

WHITE SPOT RED CERAMIC DRAWER KNOB

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POLYESTER FILLER PAD 45x45cm

JIGSAW TREE WITH BIRDHOUSE

A PRETTY THANK YOU CARD

RIBBON REEL FLORA + FAUNA

MA CAMPAGNE CUTLERY BOX

PIGGY BANK RETROSPOT

EASTER TIN KEEPSAKE

DOILEY STORAGE TIN

FAIRY DREAMS INCENSE

SET OF 6 SOLDIER SKITTLES

MINI TAPES

WOODEN HAPPY BIRTHDAY GARLAND

MULTICOLOUR SPRING FLOWER MUG

CHRISTMAS CRAFT TREE TOP ANGEL

SWEETHEART RECIPE BOOK STAND

STRAWBERRY CERAMIC TRINKET BOX

PORCELAIN BUDAH INCENSE HOLDER

FAIRY CAKES NOTEBOOK A7 SIZE

POLYESTER FILLER PAD 45x30cm

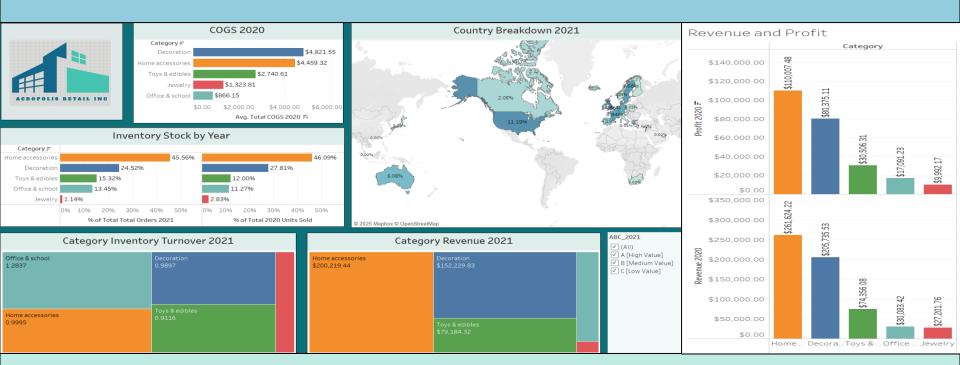
FRENCH BLUE METAL DOOR SIGN 2

GROW A FLYTRAP OR SUNFLOWER IN TIN

CLASSIC METAL BIRDCAGE PLANT HOLDER

POPART RECT PENCIL SHARPENER ASST

Category Analysis



- Home accessories highest revenue
- Inventory turnover rates < 1 for all categories (except Office & schools) => overstocking
- Decoration highest COGS second-highest revenue => lower profit margin
- Significant percentage drops in Jewelry from 2020 to 2021 => reduced demand

ABC Analysis

- Technique for prioritizing the management of inventory
- Inventories are categorized into three classes A, B, and C
 - Category A
 - bulk of the dollar volume
 - high-value, high-demand
 - most management efforts and oversights
 - Category C
 - a large number of items
 - small share of the dollar volume
 - low-value and low-demand
 - least attention
 - Category B between A and C number & dollar volume

ABC Analysis (cont.)



Four steps:

- 1. Revenue
- 2. Percent of total revenue
- 3. Cumulative increase
- 4. ABC

- Can increase class B stock since class A items have 3 times more stock but similar average inventory turnover rate
- Class A and B items have similar inventory turnover => sell almost equally fast, but class A items have a large amount of stock - results in big revenue

Recommendations

- Inventory turnover rates < 1.3 all categories
 - Reduce overstocking to lower costs
- B sells as fast as A but lesser stock
 - Increase stock of Class B items
- Home Accessories : top performer
 - Prioritize to maximize revenue
- Decorations: high COGS
 - Improve profit margins
- Jewelry: orders significantly decreased
 - Re-evaluate demand
- Implement ABC analysis
 - Focus on high-value items