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# Retail Customer Analytics and Data Visualization Report

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# 1. Executive Summary

This project analyzes customer behavior to identify purchasing patterns, high-value customer segments, and overall sales trends. The insights help the client understand how customer requirements vary across the global market. All findings are presented through an interactive Power BI dashboard for improved decision-making and visual clarity.

# 2. Data Summary

The dataset contains 3,900 transactions with 18 columns, covering four major product categories: Clothing, Accessories, Footwear, and Outerwear.

Key features include:

- **Customer demographics:** Age, Gender, Location, Subscription Status
- **Purchase details:** Item Purchased, Category, Purchase Amount, Season, Size, Color
- **Shopping behavior:** Discount Applied, Promo Code Used, Previous Purchases, Frequency of Purchases, Review Rating, Shipping Type

The dataset contains 37 missing values in the *Review Rating* column, which were handled during preprocessing.

# 3. Tools and Technologies

The project was developed using **Python, SQL, and Power BI**.

- **Python (Google Colab):** Used for data exploration, cleaning, and preprocessing.
- **PostgreSQL:** The cleaned dataset was stored and queried for deeper analysis using SQL.
- **Power BI:** Used to build interactive dashboards and convert analytical findings into visual representations.

# 4. Data Cleaning and Preparation

- **Imported the dataset using Pandas** to begin the analysis process.
- Used `df.head()` to view the first few rows and get an initial understanding of the dataset structure

|   | Customer ID | Age | Gender | Item Purchased | Category | Purchase Amount (USD) | Location      | Size | Color     | Season | Review Rating | Subscription Status | Shipping Type | Discount Applied | Promo Code Used | Previous Purchases | Payment Method | Frequency of Purchases |
|---|-------------|-----|--------|----------------|----------|-----------------------|---------------|------|-----------|--------|---------------|---------------------|---------------|------------------|-----------------|--------------------|----------------|------------------------|
| 0 | 1           | 55  | Male   | Blouse         | Clothing | 53                    | Kentucky      | L    | Gray      | Winter | 3.1           | Yes                 | Express       | Yes              | Yes             | 14                 | Venmo          | Fortnightly            |
| 1 | 2           | 19  | Male   | Sweater        | Clothing | 64                    | Maine         | L    | Maroon    | Winter | 3.1           | Yes                 | Express       | Yes              | Yes             | 2                  | Cash           | Fortnightly            |
| 2 | 3           | 50  | Male   | Jeans          | Clothing | 73                    | Massachusetts | S    | Maroon    | Spring | 3.1           | Yes                 | Free Shipping | Yes              | Yes             | 23                 | Credit Card    | Weekly                 |
| 3 | 4           | 21  | Male   | Sandals        | Footwear | 90                    | Rhode Island  | M    | Maroon    | Spring | 3.5           | Yes                 | Next Day Air  | Yes              | Yes             | 49                 | PayPal         | Weekly                 |
| 4 | 5           | 45  | Male   | Blouse         | Clothing | 49                    | Oregon        | M    | Turquoise | Spring | 2.7           | Yes                 | Free Shipping | Yes              | Yes             | 31                 | PayPal         | Annually               |

- Checked for missing values using `df.isna()` to identify columns that require cleaning.

```

          6
Customer ID      0
Age              0
Gender            0
Item Purchased   0
Category          0
Purchase Amount (USD) 0
Location          0
Size              0
Color              0
Season             0
Review Rating     37
Subscription Status 0
Shipping Type     0
Discount Applied  0
Promo Code Used   0
Previous Purchases 0
Payment Method    0
Frequency of Purchases 0

```

- Handled missing values:**

Grouped the dataset by category, calculated the median review rating for each group, and filled the null values using the respective median.

- Improved readability:**

Renamed all column names to snake\_case for better consistency, readability, and documentation.

- Feature Engineering:**

Created an `age_group` column using the `qcut` method.

Created a `frequency_of_purchases` column based on the purchase history.

```

#create new column frequency_purchases
frequency_purchases={
    'Fortnightly':14,
    'Weekly':7,
    'Annually':365,
    'Quarterly':90,
    'Bi-weekly':14,
    'Monthly':30,
    'Every 3 Months':90
}
df['frequency_purchases']= df['frequency_of_purchases'].map(frequency_purchases)

```

- Ensured data consistency:**

Verified whether `promo_code_used` and `discount_applied` contained overlapping or

redundant information. Since both represented similar behavior, the `promo_code_used` column was dropped.

- **Prepared dataset for SQL analysis:**

Converted the cleaned dataset into a CSV file, downloaded it, and imported it into PostgreSQL for further querying and analysis.

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```
from google.colab import files
df.to_csv("customer.csv", index=False)
files.download("customer.csv")
```

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## 5.Data Analyzing using SQL

- Total Revenue According to Gender (Q1: What is the total revenue generated by male vs. female customers?)

|   | gender<br>text  | revenue<br>numeric  |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | Female  | 75191.00  |
| 2 | Male  | 157890.00   |

- Identify customers who spend more than the average purchase amount (Q2: Which customers used a discount but still spent more than the average purchase amount? )

|    | customer_id<br>integer  | purchase_amount<br>numeric (10,2)  |
|----|--|---|
| 1  | 2  | 64.00   |
| 2  | 3  | 73.00   |
| 3  | 4  | 90.00   |
| 4  | 7  | 85.00   |
| 5  | 9  | 97.00   |
| 6  | 12   | 68.00   |
| 7  | 13   | 72.00   |
| 8  | 16   | 81.00   |
| 9  | 20   | 90.00   |
| 10 | 22   | 62.00   |
| 11 | 24   | 88.00   |

Total rows: 839 | Query complete 00:00:00.115

- Identify the top 5 average review ratings (Q3: Which are the top 5 products with the highest average review rating?)

|   | item_purchased<br>text | avg<br>numeric     |
|---|------------------------|--------------------|
| 1 | Gloves                 | 3.8614285714285714 |
| 2 | Sandals                | 3.8443750000000000 |
| 3 | Boots                  | 3.8187500000000000 |
| 4 | Hat                    | 3.8012987012987013 |
| 5 | Skirt                  | 3.7848101265822785 |

- Understand purchase amount by shipping type (Q4: Compare the average Purchase Amounts between Standard and Express Shipping.)

|   | shipping_type<br>text | round<br>numeric |
|---|-----------------------|------------------|
| 1 | Standard              | 58.46            |
| 2 | Express               | 60.48            |

- Compare average spend and total revenue across subscription status (Q5: Do subscribed customers spend more? Compare average spend and total revenue between subscribers and non-subscribers.)

|   | subscription_status<br>text | total_customer<br>bigint | avg_spend<br>numeric | total_revenue<br>numeric |
|---|-----------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------|--------------------------|
| 1 | Yes                         | 1053                     | 59.49                | 62645.00                 |
| 2 | No                          | 2847                     | 59.87                | 170436.00                |

- Highest percentage of discount purchases(Q6: Which 5 products have the highest percentage of purchases with discounts applied?)

|   | item_purchased<br>text | discount_rate<br>numeric |
|---|------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1 | Hat                    | 50.00                    |
| 2 | Sneakers               | 49.00                    |
| 3 | Coat                   | 49.00                    |
| 4 | Sweater                | 48.00                    |
| 5 | Pants                  | 47.00                    |

- Classified customers into New, Returning, and loyal segments based on the purchase history(Q7: Segment customers into New, Returning, and Loyal based on their total number of previous purchases, and show the count of each segment.)

|   | customer_segment<br>text | Number of Customers<br>bigint |
|---|--------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1 | Loyal                    | 3116                          |
| 2 | New                      | 83                            |
| 3 | Returning                | 701                           |

- List most purchased top 3 products in each category (Q8: What are the top 3 most purchased products within each category? )

|    | item_rank<br>bigint | category<br>text | item_purchased<br>text | total_orders<br>bigint |
|----|---------------------|------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| 1  | 1                   | Accessori...     | Jewelry                | 171                    |
| 2  | 2                   | Accessori...     | Sunglasses             | 161                    |
| 3  | 3                   | Accessori...     | Belt                   | 161                    |
| 4  | 1                   | Clothing         | Blouse                 | 171                    |
| 5  | 2                   | Clothing         | Pants                  | 171                    |
| 6  | 3                   | Clothing         | Shirt                  | 169                    |
| 7  | 1                   | Footwear         | Sandals                | 160                    |
| 8  | 2                   | Footwear         | Shoes                  | 150                    |
| 9  | 3                   | Footwear         | Sneakers               | 145                    |
| 10 | 1                   | Outerwear        | Jacket                 | 163                    |
| 11 | 2                   | Outerwear        | Coat                   | 161                    |

- Check whether customer with >5 purchases are more likely to subscribe(Q9: Are customers who are repeat buyers (more than 5 previous purchases) also likely to subscribe?)

|   | subscription_status<br>text | count<br>bigint |
|---|-----------------------------|-----------------|
| 1 | No                          | 2518            |
| 2 | Yes                         | 958             |

- Understand revenue contribution from each age group(Q10: What is the revenue contribution of each age group? )

|   | age_group   | revenue  |
|---|-------------|----------|
|   | text        | numeric  |
| 1 | Young_Adult | 62143.00 |
| 2 | Middle_Age  | 59197.00 |
| 3 | Adult       | 55978.00 |
| 4 | Senior      | 55763.00 |

## 6.Data visualization

Power BI was used to design interactive dashboards that present key insights from the cleaned and processed dataset. The dashboard includes cards, bar charts, donut charts, and slicers for dynamic filtering. These visualizations help the client easily explore customer behavior, purchase patterns, and revenue trends.



## 7. Business Recommendation

- **Focus marketing and product strategies on the Young Adult segment.**  
This age group shows the highest purchase amount, meaning they respond well to promotions and contribute significantly to revenue.
- **Promote the subscription program more aggressively.**  
Subscribers tend to spend more on average, so increasing subscription adoption can directly boost total revenue.
- **Introduce exclusive rewards for Loyal and Returning customers**  
Examples: early access to sales, loyalty points, birthday discounts.  
This helps maintain engagement and strengthens long-term customer retention.
- **Offer targeted discounts for the Clothing category.**  
Clothing generates the highest revenue, so strategic discounts can attract more new customers while increasing repeat purchases.