Flight Data Analysis

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```
# Load Necessary Libraries
suppressPackageStartupMessages({
    library(data.table)
    library(dplyr)
    library(lubridate)
    library(arrow)
    library(knitr)
    library(maditr)
    library(xtable)
    library(ggplot2)
    library(RColorBrewer)
})
setwd("D:/University of London/Programming for Data Science ST2195/ST2195_coursework_2023-24/Part 2")
```

Question 2

The Data Expo 2009: Airline On-Time Dataset provides detailed flight arrival and departure information for commercial flights within the USA from October 1987 to April 2008. With nearly 120 million records, this dataset includes variables such as departure and arrival delays, flight cancellations, and diversion indicators, offering a comprehensive view of on-time performance and operational disruptions across nearly two decades. For this analysis, we have selected a subset of the data covering the years 1998 to 2007 to focus on a decade of flight performance.

Parquet is a custom binary format designed specifically for the needs of big data. Source this script once to convert CSV Files to Parquet Format.

```
#source("convert_to_parquet.R")

# Directory containing the Parquet files
parquet_dir <- "dataverse_files/parquet_files"

# Get a list of Parquet files
parquet_files <- list.files(parquet_dir, pattern = "\\.parquet$", full.names = TRUE)</pre>
```

(a) What are the best times and days of the week to minimise delays each year?

We may define time blocks as per the below, categorizing time of day by peak vs off-peak, providing insight into how traffic volume impacts delays.

Category	Hourly Range
Early Morning	0:00 - 5:59
Morning Peak	6:00 - 9:59
Midday	10:00 - 13:59
Afternoon Peak	14:00 - 17:59
Evening	18:00 - 23:59

Table 1: Time Blocks Categorization

```
# Define time blocks
time_block <- function(hour) {
   if (hour >= 0 & hour < 6) {
      return("Early Morning")
   } else if (hour >= 6 & hour < 10) {
      return("Morning Peak")
   } else if (hour >= 10 & hour < 14) {
      return("Midday")
   } else if (hour >= 14 & hour < 18) {
      return("Afternoon Peak")
   } else {
      return("Evening")
   }
}</pre>
```

```
# Function to process year data
process_year_data <- function(file_path, year) {</pre>
  data <- read_parquet(file_path)</pre>
  # Extract necessary features and keep only relevant columns
  data <- data %>%
   mutate(
      DayOfWeek = wday(ymd(paste(Year, Month, DayofMonth, sep = "-")), label = TRUE),
      HourOfDay = floor(CRSDepTime / 100),
      TimeBlock = sapply(HourOfDay, time_block),
      ArrivalDelay = ArrDelay,
      DepartureDelay = DepDelay
   ) %>%
   filter(!is.na(ArrivalDelay) & !is.na(DepartureDelay)) %>%
   select(DayOfWeek, TimeBlock, ArrivalDelay, DepartureDelay)
  print(summary(data))
  # Frequency table
  frequency_table <- data %>%
    count(DayOfWeek, TimeBlock) %>%
   rename("Day of Week" = DayOfWeek, "Time Block" = TimeBlock, "Frequency" = n) %>%
   pivot_wider(names_from = `Time Block`, values_from = Frequency, values_fill = 0)
  # Create Contingency Table for Arrival Delay
```

```
# Calculate the means for each combination of DayOfWeek and TimeBlock
  contingency_arrival <- data %>%
    group by(DayOfWeek, TimeBlock) %>%
    summarize(ArrivalDelay = mean(ArrivalDelay)) %>%
    ungroup()
  # Round the ArrivalDelay values
  contingency_arrival$ArrivalDelay <- round(contingency_arrival$ArrivalDelay, 2)</pre>
  # Reshape the data to wide format to create the contingency table
  contingency_arrival <- dcast(contingency_arrival, DayOfWeek ~ TimeBlock, value.var = "ArrivalDelay")</pre>
  # Create Contingency Table for Departure Delay
  # Calculate the means for each combination of DayOfWeek and TimeBlock
  contingency_departure <- data %>%
    group_by(DayOfWeek, TimeBlock) %>%
    summarize(DepartureDelay = mean(DepartureDelay)) %>%
    ungroup()
  # Round the DepartureDelay values
  contingency_departure$DepartureDelay <- round(contingency_departure$DepartureDelay, 2)</pre>
  # Reshape the data to wide format to create the contingency table
  contingency_departure <- dcast(contingency_departure, DayOfWeek ~ TimeBlock, value.var = "DepartureDe")</pre>
  # Return the tables
 list(frequency_table = frequency_table, contingency_arrival = contingency_arrival, contingency_depart
}
# Define the function
plot_contingency_table <- function(data) {</pre>
  # Convert the data to a table
  my.tab <- as.table(as.matrix(data[, -1]))</pre>
 rownames(my.tab) <- data$DayOfWeek</pre>
  # Plot settings
  par(mgp = c(1.5, .3, 0))
 plot(
    0,
    0,
    pch = "",
    xlim = c(0.5, 5.5),
    ylim = c(0.5, 7.5),
    axes = FALSE,
    xlab = "Time of Day",
   ylab = ""
  )
  # Add the bubbles to the plot
  for (i in 1:nrow(my.tab)) {
    symbols(
     x = 1:ncol(my.tab),
     y = rep(i, ncol(my.tab)),
```

```
circles = sqrt(my.tab[i, ] / 200 / pi),
      add = TRUE,
      inches = FALSE,
      fg = "lightblue",
      bg = "lightblue"
  }
  # Add axes
  axis(1, col = "white", col.axis = "black", at = 1:5, labels = colnames(my.tab))
  axis(2, at = 1:7, labels = rownames(my.tab), las = 1, col.axis = "black", col = "white")
  # Add numbers to plot
  for (i in 1:nrow(my.tab)) {
   text(1:ncol(my.tab), rep(i, ncol(my.tab)), labels = round(my.tab[i, ], 2))
  }
}
#https://www.mzes.uni-mannheim.de/socialsciencedatalab/article/datavis/#:~:text=Code%3A%20Advanced%20co
# Define file paths and years
years <- 1998:2007
file_paths <- paste0("dataverse_files/parquet_files/flights_data_", years, ".parquet")</pre>
# Process each year and store results
results <- list()
for (i in seq_along(years)) {
 year <- years[i]</pre>
  message("Reviewing data for ", years[i])
 results[[as.character(years[i])]] <- suppressMessages(process_year_data(file_paths[i], years[i]))</pre>
  message("## Frequency Table for ", year, "\n")
  results[[as.character(years[i])]] $frequency_table <-
   results[[as.character(years[i])]] frequency_table[, c('Day of Week', 'Early Morning',
                                                           'Morning Peak', 'Midday',
                                                           'Afternoon Peak', 'Evening')]
  print.data.frame(results[[as.character(years[i])]] $frequency table)
  message("## Contingency Table for Arrival Delays in ", year, "\n")
  results[[as.character(years[i])]]$contingency_arrival <-
   results[[as.character(years[i])]]$contingency_arrival[, c('DayOfWeek', 'Early Morning',
                                                                'Morning Peak', 'Midday',
                                                                'Afternoon Peak', 'Evening')]
  #print.data.frame(results[[as.character(years[i])]]$contingency_arrival)
  plot_contingency_table(results[[as.character(years[i])]]$contingency_arrival)
  message("## Contingency Table for Departure Delays in ", year, "\n")
  results[[as.character(years[i])]]$contingency departure <-
   results[[as.character(years[i])]]$contingency_departure[, c('DayOfWeek', 'Early Morning',
                                                               'Morning Peak', 'Midday',
                                                                'Afternoon Peak', 'Evening')]
```

Reviewing data for 1998

```
DepartureDelay
   DayOfWeek
                 TimeBlock
                                   ArrivalDelay
## Sun:728289
                                                     Min. :-111.000
                Length: 5227051
                                  Min.
                                       :-1233.000
## Mon:761314
                Class : character
                                  1st Qu.:
                                           -7.000
                                                     1st Qu.: -2.000
               Mode :character
## Tue:761553
                                  Median :
                                             0.000
                                                     Median :
                                                                0.000
## Wed:763501
                                  Mean :
                                             7.587
                                                     Mean :
                                                                8.967
## Thu:773397
                                  3rd Qu.:
                                            11.000
                                                     3rd Qu.:
                                                                7.000
## Fri:761774
                                  Max. : 1808.000
                                                     Max. :1800.000
## Sat:677223
```

Frequency Table for 1998

```
Day of Week Early Morning Morning Peak Midday Afternoon Peak Evening
## 1
            Sun
                         20195
                                     167999 183519
                                                           182893 173683
## 2
                         23567
             Mon
                                     201041 184124
                                                           181640 170942
## 3
             Tue
                         19885
                                     202442 184695
                                                           182863 171668
## 4
            Wed
                         17854
                                     203178 185425
                                                           184041 173003
## 5
            Thu
                         19634
                                     205688 188460
                                                           186160 173455
                                                           183146 171993
## 6
            Fri
                         19855
                                     201164 185616
## 7
            Sat
                         18790
                                     186630 178083
                                                           165859 127861
```

Contingency Table for Arrival Delays in 1998

Sat	-0.45	1.87	4.85	4.97	3.04
Fri	2.48	3.46	7.58	14.03	17.25
Thu	5.6	4.08	7.48	12.7	15.56
Wed	3.76	3.02	5.41	10.49	12.64
Tue	0.8	3.86	6.09	10.03	11.3
Mon	1.47	3.72	6.33	9.31	11.31
Sun	6.77	-0.57	4.64	10.07	13.38
	Early Morning		Midday Time of Day		Evening

Reviewing data for 1999

##	DayOfWeek	TimeBlock	ArrivalDelay	DepartureDelay
##	Sun:745731	Length:5360018	Min. :-194.000	Min. : -76.000
##	Mon:785296	Class :character	1st Qu.: -7.000	1st Qu.: -2.000
##	Tue:786369	Mode :character	Median : 0.000	Median : 0.000
##	Wed:787509		Mean : 8.247	Mean : 9.277
##	Thu:781895		3rd Qu.: 12.000	3rd Qu.: 7.000
##	Fri:791192		Max. :1724.000	Max. :1740.000
##	Sat:682026			

Frequency Table for 1999

##		Day	of	Week	Early	Morning	Morning Pea	k Midday	Afternoon Peak	Evening
##	1	-		Sun		36455	16849	182826	183342	174614
##	2			Mon		44168	20208	7 183100	182476	173465
##	3			Tue		38954	20456	5 184315	183970	174565
##	4			Wed		37691	20464	3 184744	184976	175450
##	5			Thu		36399	20491	3 184107	182923	173550
##	6			Fri		38904	20542	3 187390	185372	174100
##	7			Sat		35146	18299	175684	163997	124209

Sat	4.42	4.47	7.59	8.66	8.79
Fri	5.73	4.31	8.9	14.44	18.46
Thu	7.57	4.28	8.38	12.71	16.2
Wed	5.5	3.49	6.69	10.45	13.43
Tue	4.4	3.92	7.22	10.23	12.52
Mon	5.55	4.76	7.98	10.26	12.4
Sun	9.17	3.24	6.68	11.72	15.21
	Early Morning		Midday Time of Day		Evening

Sat	5.35	2 .2 9	6.42	7.82	5.06
Fri	8.22	3.49	9.04	16.73	18.27
Thu	6.05	3.67	7.7	14.39	16.21
Wed	4.39	2.8	6.26	11.69	12.8
Tue	4.96	1.96	5.2	9.9	10.49
Mon	7.77	3.54	7.5	10.93	10.58
Sun	8.35	-0.4	5.65	11.89	14.22
	Early Morning		Midday Time of Day		Evening

Reviewing data for 2000

##	DayOfWeek	TimeBlock	ArrivalDelay	DepartureDelay
##	Sun:777257	Length:5481303	Min. :-1298.00	Min. :-990.00
##	Mon:795489	Class :character	1st Qu.: -7.00	1st Qu.: −2.00
##	Tue:794933	Mode :character	Median: 1.00	Median: 0.00
##	Wed:799738		Mean : 10.47	Mean : 11.21
##	Thu:797754		3rd Qu.: 14.00	3rd Qu.: 10.00
##	Fri:799240		Max. : 1441.00	Max. :1435.00
##	Sat:716892			

Frequency Table for 2000

##		Day	of	Week	Early	Morning	Morning	Peak	Midday	Afternoon Peak	Evening
##	1			Sun		7142	19	0379	196190	196807	186739
##	2			Mon		8198	21	6350	194361	193055	183525
##	3			Tue		8123	21	6595	193444	193030	183741
##	4			Wed		8174	21	.8349	194793	193677	184745
##	5			Thu		8250	21	.8059	193934	193223	184288
##	6			Fri		8385	21	7579	194921	193372	184983
##	7			Sat		7922	20	0781	189945	179295	138949

Sat	8.38	4.62	7.93	10.71	10.58
Fri	9.25	4.21	9.38	16.21	19.38
Thu	7.23	3.68	7.99	13.6	16.94
Wed	5.52	3.11	6.89	11.09	13.68
Tue	6.31	2.85	6.01	9.69	11.85
Mon	9.1	4.73	8.4	11.64	12.3
Sun	9.85	3.22	6.89	12.83	16.15
	Early Morning		Midday Time of Day		Evening

Sat	6.15	3.5	7.61	8.68	6.64
Fri	6.92	5.4	12.7	21.99	24.02
Thu	5.02	5.72	10.82	17.59	20.6
Wed	2.39	3.3	7.34	13.72	15.21
Tue	2.22	3.11	6.19	10.81	11.09
Mon	4.95	4.43	8.37	12.51	12.43
Sun	5.09	1.26	8.14	16.22	19.85
	Early Morning		Midday Time of Day		Evening

Reviewing data for 2001

##	DayOfWeek	TimeBlock	ArrivalDelay	DepartureDelay
##	Sun:805349	Length:5723673	Min. :-1116.000	Min. :-204.000
##	Mon:850475	Class :character	1st Qu.: -9.000	1st Qu.: -3.000
##	Tue:827109	Mode :character	Median : -2.000	Median : 0.000
##	Wed:827445		Mean : 5.528	Mean : 8.115
##	Thu:830330		3rd Qu.: 10.000	3rd Qu.: 6.000
##	Fri:836054		Max. : 1688.000	Max. :1692.000
##	Sat:746911			

Frequency Table for 2001

##		Day	of	Week	Early	Morning	Morning	Peak	Midday	Afternoon Pea	ak	Evening
##	1			Sun		5970	20	0955	202857	20903	32	186535
##	2			Mon		7443	23	34174	208909	21206	31	187888
##	3			Tue		7260	22	28790	201279	20574	10	184040
##	4			Wed		7146	22	27676	201593	20644	18	184582
##	5			Thu		7186	22	29277	202524	20684	16	184497
##	6			Fri		7281	22	29434	204165	20858	34	186590
##	7			Sat		6626	21	0380	195985	19110)2	142818

Sat	8.09	5.5	9.55	11.78	11.04
Fri	7.83	5.26	12.52	20.89	24.5
Thu	6.24	5.27	11.18	16.94	20.62
Wed	4	3.53	8	13.19	15.49
Tue	3.69	3.45	7.31	11.09	12.28
Mon	6.89	5.34	9.46	13.06	13.75
Sun	7.42	3.95	8.95	16.32	20.82
	Early Morning		Midday Time of Day		Evening

Sat	2.97	1.51	4.66	5.38	3.42
Fri	3.58	2.61	7.52	13.52	14.56
Thu	1.7	2.05	5.8	10.79	13.31
Wed	0.75	0.96	3.76	7.2	7.53
Tue	0.66	0.57	2.47	5.57	6.1
Mon	0.77	1.01	3.36	6.47	7.12
Sun	0.61	-0.98	3.95	9.04	10.31
	Early Morning		Midday Time of Day		Evening

Reviewing data for 2002

##	DayOfWeek	TimeBlock	ArrivalDelay	DepartureDelay
##	Sun:725917	Length:5197860	Min. :-987.000	Min. :-1370.000
##	Mon:763569	Class :character	1st Qu.: -10.000	1st Qu.: -4.000
##	Tue:767124	Mode :character	Median : -3.000	Median : 0.000
##	Wed:757254		Mean : 3.191	Mean : 5.498
##	Thu:755108		3rd Qu.: 8.000	3rd Qu.: 4.000
##	Fri:761622		Max. :2137.000	Max. : 2119.000
##	Sat:667266			

Frequency Table for 2002

##		Day	of	Week	Early	Morning	Morning Peak	Midday	Afternoon Peak	Evening
##	1	J		Sun	J	4594	•	189317	194398	161848
##	2			Mon		5739	208170	192629	195505	161526
##	3			Tue		5840	210348	193707	196698	160531
##	4			Wed		5691	206483	190930	194495	159655
##	5			Thu		5679	206888	190829	193103	158609
##	6			Fri		5737	207288	192282	195122	161193
##	7			Sat		5298	186770	182347	175013	117838

Sat	4.31	4.58	8.09	9.93	9.13
Fri	4.19	4.16	9.22	14.98	17.01
Thu	3.07	3.46	7.74	12.03	14.81
Wed	2.3	2.69	6.32	9.41	10.06
Tue	1.96	2.61	5.47	8.14	8.79
Mon	2.59	3.89	6.52	9.21	9.91
Sun	2.92	3.3	6.99	11.77	13.55
	Early Morning		Midday Time of Day		Evening

Sat	-1.43	-1.26	0.67	1.09	-0.16
Fri	-1.14	0.32	3.78	9.07	9.82
Thu	-2.36	0.02	2.76	8.2	10.03
Wed	-3.21	-0.63	1.08	5.6	5.62
Tue	-3.07	-0.68	1.19	5.17	5.36
Mon	-2.35	0.06	2.95	6.03	5.88
Sun	-3.21	-2.93	0.77	5.75	7.93
	Early Morning		Midday Time of Day		Evening

Reviewing data for 2003

##	DayOfWeek	TimeBlock	ArrivalDelay	DepartureDelay
##	Sun:886483	Length:6375689	Min. :-937.000	Min. :-1410.000
##	Mon:938114	Class :character	1st Qu.: -10.000	1st Qu.: -4.000
##	Tue:928988	Mode :character	Median : -3.000	Median : 0.000
##	Wed:947120		Mean : 3.597	Mean : 5.223
##	Thu:935043		3rd Qu.: 7.000	3rd Qu.: 2.000
##	Fri:938553		Max. :1612.000	Max. : 1582.000
##	Sat:801388			

Frequency Table for 2003

##		Day	of	Week	Early	Morning	Morning Pea	k Midday	Afternoon Peak	Evening
##	1	•		Sun	Ţ	6338	20429	9 236308	239409	200129
##	2			Mon		7765	24934	3 240761	241183	199062
##	3			Tue		7761	24697	2 234760	241467	198028
##	4			Wed		7867	25122	1 241233	246165	200634
##	5			Thu		7731	24939	1 240526	240128	197267
##	6			Fri		7682	24866	1 241460	241595	199155
##	7			Sat		7140	21757	0 224949	211118	140611

Sat	1.44	1.89	4.38	5.63	5.25
Fri	1.12	2.02	5.68	10.26	12.33
Thu	0.29	1.64	4.77	9.05	11.93
Wed	-0.67	0.92	3.3	6.77	7.96
Tue	-0.52	1.12	3.46	6.63	7.64
Mon	0.7	2.29	5.25	7.81	8.36
Sun	0.53	1.11	3.79	8.04	10.69
	Early Morning		Midday Time of Day		Evening

Sat	-0.38	-0.78	0.6	1.82	0.34
Fri	-0.21	0.63	3.71	9.18	9.61
Thu	-1.61	0.26	3.38	8.47	9.66
Wed	-1.78	-0.63	1.29	6.27	6.75
Tue	-2.38	-0.6	1.41	4.97	4.65
Mon	-1.07	0.49	3.14	6.76	6.1
Sun	-2.59	-2.28	2.26	7.54	8.25
	Early Morning		Midday Time of Day		Evening

Reviewing data for 2004

##	DayOfWeek	TimeBlock	ArrivalDelay	DepartureDelay
##	Sun: 970075	Length:6987729	Min. :-1302.000	Min. :-1197.000
##	Mon:1022398	Class :character	1st Qu.: -9.000	1st Qu.: -4.000
##	Tue:1013439	Mode :character	Median : -2.000	Median : 0.000
##	Wed:1014993		Mean : 6.508	Mean : 7.859
##	Thu:1038525		3rd Qu.: 10.000	3rd Qu.: 6.000
##	Fri:1040966		Max. : 1879.000	Max. : 1882.000
##	Sat: 887333			

Frequency Table for 2004

##		Day	of	Week	Early	Morning	Morning Peak	Midday	Afternoon Peak	Evening
##	1	•		Sun		8830	231799	255087	256397	217962
##	2			Mon		10299	272823	260369	259502	219405
##	3			Tue		10204	271665	254376	259034	218160
##	4			Wed		10126	271558	255715	258808	218786
##	5			Thu		10310	278368	264655	263039	222153
##	6			Fri		10327	277864	265455	264283	223037
##	7			Sat		9779	243007	242289	227629	164629

Sat	2.12	1.91	3.54	5.31	5.25
Fri	1.85	1 .7 6	4.73	9.43	11.24
Thu	0.69	1.35	4.21	8.55	10.79
Wed	1.09	0.85	2.95	6.55	8.29
Tue	0.48	0.93	3.2	6.02	6.87
Mon	1.91	2.24	4.65	7.79	8.05
Sun	0.96	1.2	3.94	8.77	10.52
	Early Morning		Midday Time of Day		Evening

Sat	-0.66	0.77	2.89	4.43	2.8
Fri	0.39	1 .7 3	5.86	12.34	13.46
Thu	-0.25	1.49	5.29	12.03	14.71
Wed	-1.4	0.52	3.97	11.33	13.04
Tue	-1.63	0.78	3.35	8.8	10.36
Mon	0.57	2.65	6.48	11.55	11.67
Sun	-2.76	-1.1	3.54	10.09	13.22
	Early Morning		Midday Time of Day		Evening

Reviewing data for 2005

##	DayOfWeek	TimeBlock	ArrivalDelay	DepartureDelay
##	Sun: 973742	Length:6992838	Min. $:-939.000$	Min. :-1199.000
##	Mon:1026555	Class :character	1st Qu.: -9.000	1st Qu.: -4.000
##	Tue:1014880	Mode :character	Median : -1.000	Median : 0.000
##	Wed:1019288		Mean : 7.181	Mean : 8.646
##	Thu:1026029		3rd Qu.: 11.000	3rd Qu.: 7.000
##	Fri:1031735		Max. :1925.000	Max. : 1930.000
##	Sat: 900609			

Frequency Table for 2005

##		Day	of	Week	Early	Morning	Morning Pe	ak	Midday	Afternoon Peak	Evening
##	1	-		Sun	-	8887	2339	76	254557	255930	220392
##	2			Mon		11113	2753	376	259935	259478	220653
##	3			Tue		11004	2733	311	253380	258224	218961
##	4			Wed		11019	2746	808	255575	258065	220021
##	5			Thu		11114	2771	.76	259673	258141	219925
##	6			Fri		11146	2766	374	260547	260663	222705
##	7			Sat		10693	2484	107	244689	229000	167820

Sat	2.6	2.9	5.48	7.95	7.66
Fri	3.02	2.78	6.74	12.57	15.23
Thu	2.26	2.43	6.3	12.2	15.86
Wed	1.63	1.53	5.06	10.7	13.84
Tue	1.33	1.84	4.89	9.13	11.62
Mon	3.17	3.6	7.59	12.3	13.56
Sun	1.77	2.14	5.46	11.1	15.1
	Early Morning		Midday Time of Day		Evening

Sat	-0.39	0.47	3.22	5.31	5.09
Fri	80.0	2.38	7.07	14.3	16.11
Thu	0.22	2.24	6.48	14.33	17.82
Wed	-1.39	1.23	4.96	11.6	14.17
Tue	-0.61	0.65	3.12	8.69	10.23
Mon	-0.03	2	6.19	11.55	13.2
Sun	-1.56	-1.04	3.42	10.33	13.74
	Early Morning		Midday Time of Day		Evening

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##	DayOfWeek	TimeBlock	ArrivalDelay	DepartureDelay
##	Sun: 993653	Length:7003802	Min. $:-592.000$	Min. :-1200.00
##	Mon:1027988	Class :character	1st Qu.: -9.000	1st Qu.: -4.00
##	Tue:1012483	Mode :character	Median : -1.000	Median: 0.00
##	Wed:1022327		Mean : 8.683	Mean : 10.06
##	Thu:1028443		3rd Qu.: 13.000	3rd Qu.: 9.00
##	Fri:1032497		Max. :1779.000	Max. : 1752.00
##	Sat: 886411			

Frequency Table for 2006

##		Day	of	Week	Early	Morning	Morning Pea	k Midday	Afternoon Peak	Evening
##	1			Sun		6322	24357	3 260569	264224	218965
##	2			Mon		8506	28083	8 260417	262530	215697
##	3			Tue		8413	27825	6 251607	260648	213559
##	4			Wed		8401	28140	9 255986	261524	215007
##	5			Thu		8595	28386	1 260136	260717	215134
##	6			Fri		8629	28247	1 260767	262111	218519
##	7			Sat		7921	24932	8 241351	227934	159877

Sat	2.63	3.06	6.1	8.77	9.44
Fri	2.29	3.25	8.02	14.78	18.05
Thu	2.44	2.78	7.37	13.93	18.67
Wed	1.05	2.12	6.28	11.62	15.28
Tue	2.03	2.15	5.18	9.45	11.81
Mon	2.69	3.35	7.52	12.34	14.72
Sun	2.19	2.15	5.62	11.69	15.76
	Early Morning		Midday Time of Day		Evening

Sat	2.28	1.87	5.38	7.84	6.33
Fri	1.21	3.41	10.01	18.24	19.94
Thu	0.07	3.04	8.64	16.94	20.35
Wed	-0.45	1.56	5.86	12.2	14.09
Tue	-0.52	1.04	4.31	9.83	10.96
Mon	1.18	2.57	7.53	12.84	14.04
Sun	0.19	-0.53	5.43	12.7	15.73
	Early Morning		Midday Time of Day		Evening

Reviewing data for 2007

##	DayOfWeek	TimeBlock	ArrivalDelay	DepartureDelay
##	Sun:1017148	Length:7275288	Min. :-312.00	Min. :-305.00
##	Mon:1087794	Class :character	1st Qu.: -9.00	1st Qu.: -4.00
##	Tue:1050354	Mode :character	Median: 0.00	Median: 0.00
##	Wed:1059851		Mean : 10.19	Mean : 11.36
##	Thu:1069805		3rd Qu.: 14.00	3rd Qu.: 11.00
##	Fri:1074710		Max. :2598.00	Max. :2601.00
##	Sat: 915626			

Frequency Table for 2007

##		Day	of	Week	Early	Morning	Morning Peal	Midday	Afternoon Peak	Evening
##	1			Sun		6745	250489	265602	266485	227827
##	2			Mon		9333	299448	276669	273913	228431
##	3			Tue		9113	292309	264628	264765	219539
##	4			Wed		9091	293062	267690	266858	223150
##	5			Thu		9249	297436	271462	266768	224890
##	6			Fri		9225	296493	3 271920	269158	227914
##	7			Sat		8390	260478	3 250375	233379	163004

Sat	3.82	4.1	8.23	11.32	10.68
Fri	2.54	4.18	10.73	18.48	21.19
Thu	1.67	3.5	9.25	16.32	20.6
Wed	1.19	2.41	7.24	12.66	14.96
Tue	1.5	2.44	6.33	10.76	12.58
Mon	2.78	4.04	9.09	13.99	15.74
Sun	2.9	2.57	7.28	14.02	17.67
	Early Morning		Midday Time of Day		Evening

Sat	2.88	2.68	6.13	8.38	7.01
Fri	2.9	4.14	10.23	18.88	21.63
Thu	1.45	3.62	9.56	18.58	21.92
Wed	1.71	3.66	7.86	14.39	15.81
Tue	1.92	1.96	6.08	13.07	13.75
Mon	3.29	4.2	9.3	15.1	15.06
Sun	1.73	1.49	7.73	15.06	17.8
	Early Morning		Midday Time of Day		Evening

Sat	4	4.72	8.87	12.1	11.67
Fri	3.8	4.59	10.81	18.63	22.81
Thu	2.35	3.94	10.06	17.94	22.36
Wed	2.63	3.89	8.92	14.59	17.18
Tue	2.93	3.12	7.4	13.45	15.36
Mon	4.01	5.3	10.53	16.22	17.19
Sun	3.28	3 .7 5	9.06	16.24	19.57
	Early Morning		Midday Time of Day		Evening

A contingency table displays frequencies for combinations of two categorical variables in a matrix format to analyze the relationship between them. In this case, contingency tables were used to analyse the mean Arrival and Departure Delays. It is visually evident that flights before 10am (Early Morning; Morning Peak) are more punctual, experiencing less delays. There is less difference amongst days of the week, although flights have the worst delays on Friday, with Saturdays and Tuesdays performing better.