

Technology Trends Analysis Using Stack Overflow Developer Survey

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY



- This project analyzes the **Stack Overflow Developer Survey** to uncover insights into current and future technology trends among developers worldwide.
- Using **IBM Cognos Analytics**, data visualizations were created to highlight popular programming languages, databases, and demographic patterns.
- The study provides actionable insights for technology strategists, educators, and recruiters.

Key Highlights

- Python, JavaScript, and SQL dominate developer usage.
- Future trends indicate continued growth in full-stack and cloud technologies.



INTRODUCTION



- It **Purpose** to analyze developer survey data to understand technology usage and emerging trends.
- **Target audience** are tech managers, recruiters, educators, and IT strategists
- It helps to **value** forecast hiring trends, training focus areas, and technology adoption strategies.

METHODOLOGY



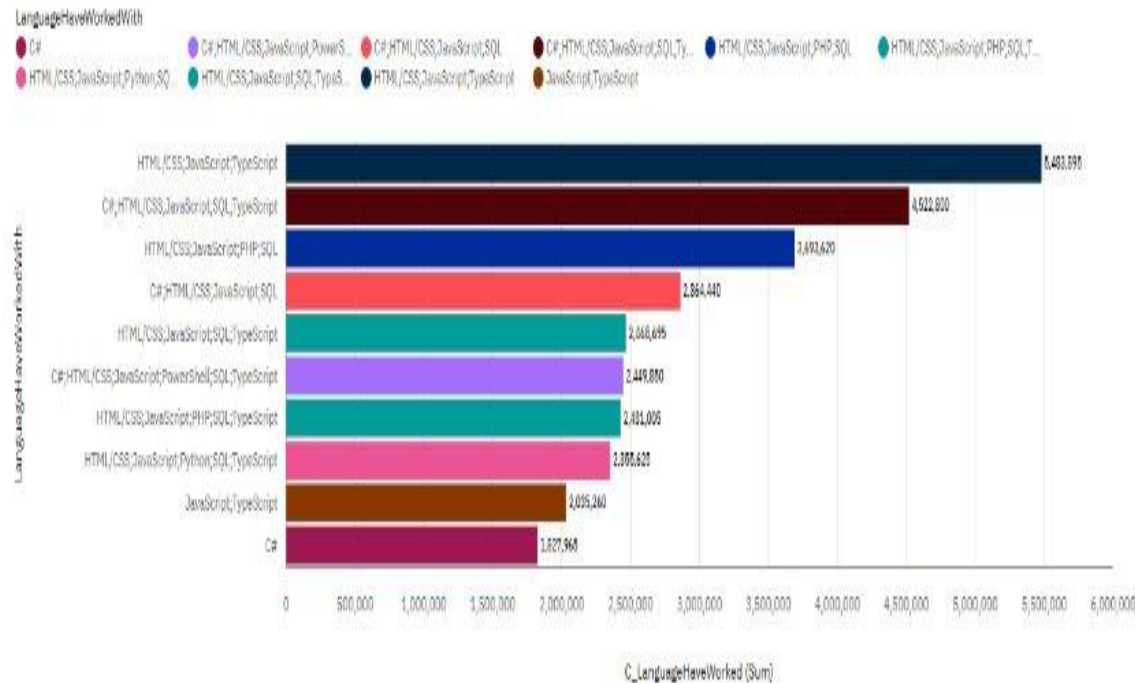
- **Data Source:**
Stack Overflow Developer Survey (CSV dataset: survey_data_updated.csv).
- **Tools Used:**
 - IBM Cognos Analytics (Dashboard creation)
 - SQLite (Data wrangling & aggregation)
 - Excel/Pandas (Data preprocessing)
- **Key Steps:**
 - Imported and cleaned dataset (handled missing values, converted categorical data).
 - Aggregated responses for top technologies.
 - Built interactive dashboards to visualize trends in usage and demographics.



PROGRAMMING LANGUAGE TRENDS

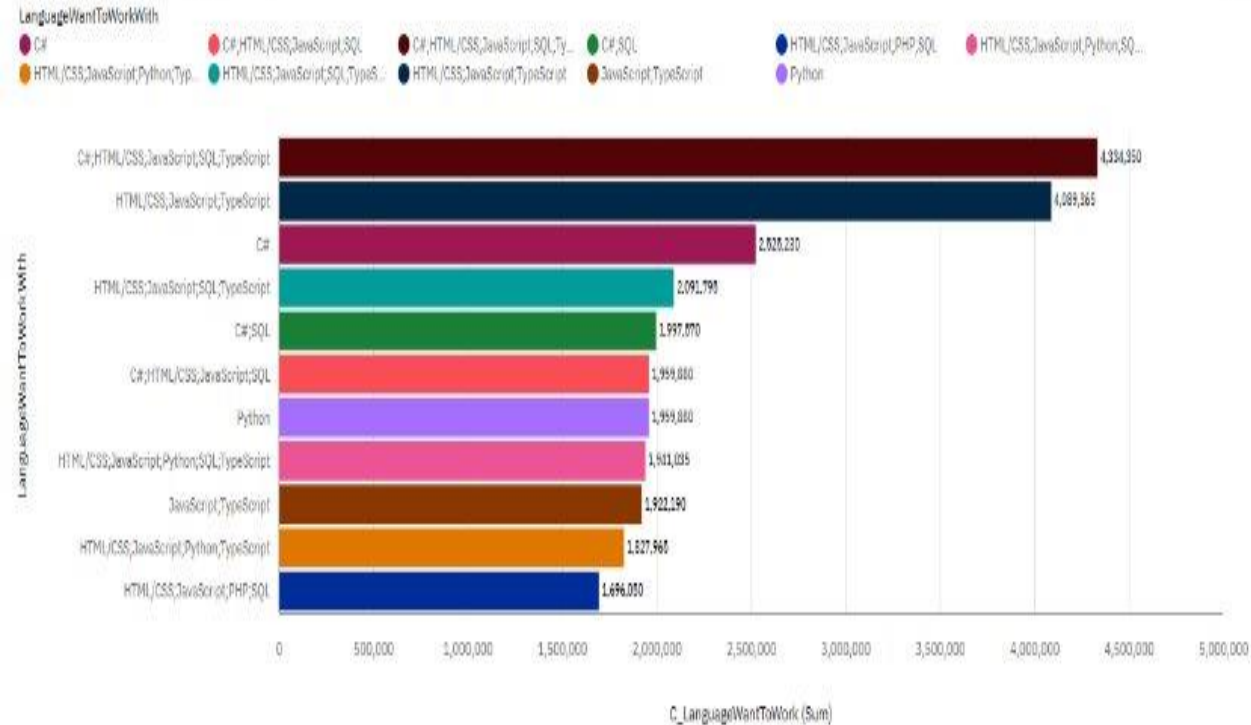
Current Year (Bar Chart)

Top 10 Programming Languages Respondents Have Worked With



Next Year (Bar Chart)

Top 10 Programming Languages Respondents Want to Work With



PROGRAMMING LANGUAGE TRENDS - FINDINGS & IMPLICATIONS

Findings

- **C#, JavaScript** and **SQL** are the top languages that most developers have worked with, reflecting their versatility across web development, data analysis, and automation.
- Future trends show growing developer interest in **JavaScript, TypeScript** and **HTML/CSS**, which offer performance, reliability, and maintainability advantages.
- Traditional languages like **PHP, C**, and **Perl** are seeing reduced popularity, especially among younger developers aiming for cloud-native and full-stack development.

Implications

- Organizations should continue investing in **Python- and JavaScript-based projects**, as they represent the most accessible and scalable ecosystems with large developer communities and libraries.
- Developers and companies should prioritize **upskilling** in these modern languages to align with emerging technology stacks and future-proof their technical capabilities.
- Teams maintaining legacy systems should plan **migration strategies** toward more modern frameworks and languages to enhance performance, security, and integration with current tools.

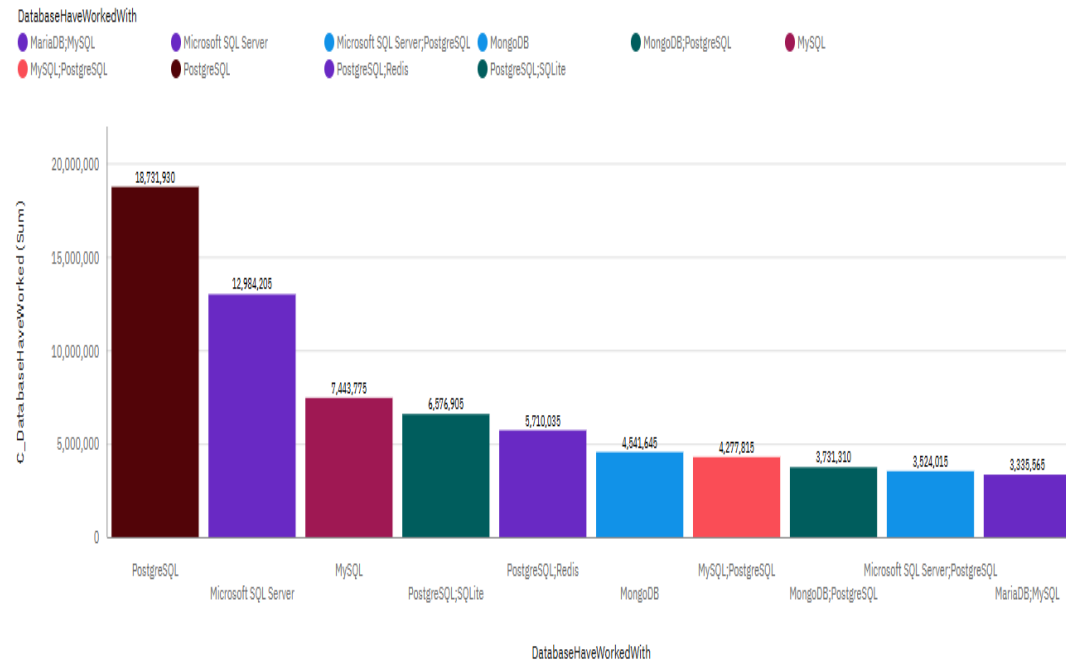


DATABASE TRENDS

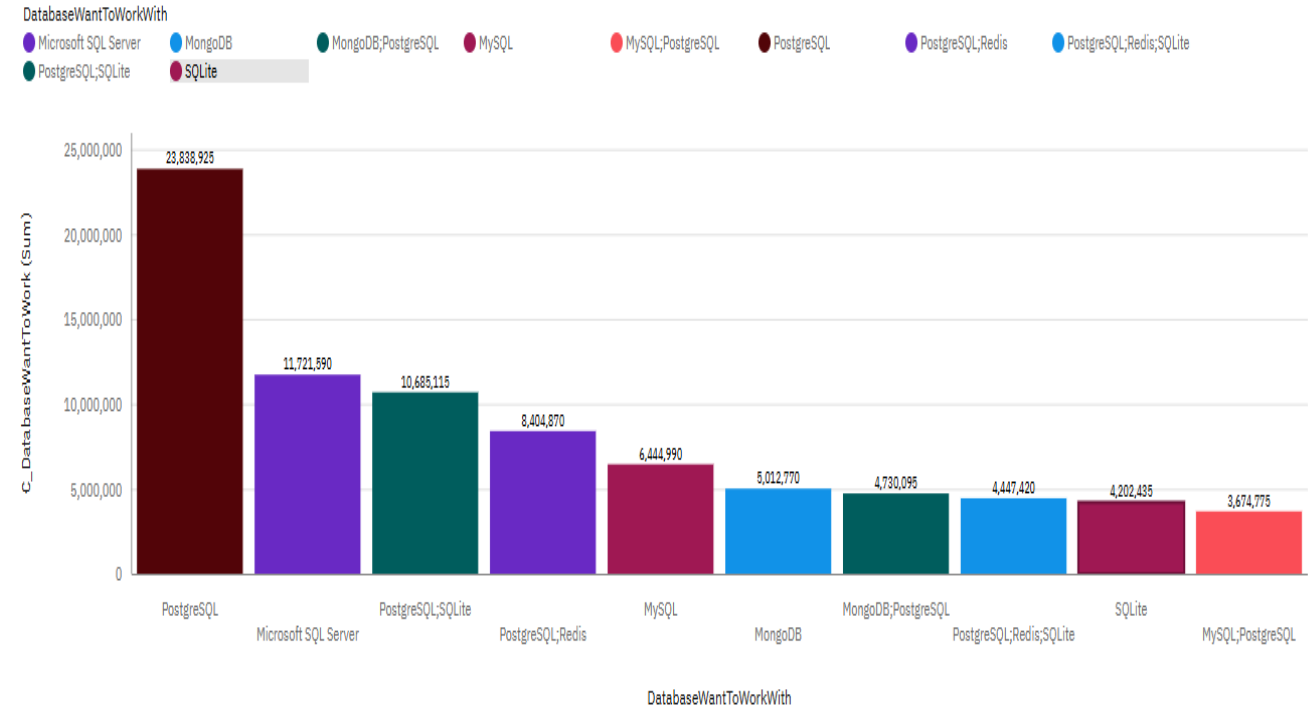
Current Year

Next Year

Top 10 Databases Used by Respondents



Top 10 Database Want To Work With



DATABASE TRENDS - FINDINGS & IMPLICATIONS

Findings

- Traditional relational databases such as **MySQL**, **PostgreSQL**, and **Microsoft SQL Server** remain the most widely used among respondents in current technology usage.
- **PostgreSQL**, **Microsoft SQL Server**, and **PostgreSQL;SQLite** are projected to grow, signaling stronger preference for open-source and cloud-ready databases.
- Developers are showing interest in managed cloud platforms like **AWS RDS**, **Azure SQL**, and **Snowflake**, highlighting a preference for simplified maintenance and scalability.

Implications

- Businesses continue to rely heavily on **structured data management** and **transactional consistency**, making SQL expertise essential for data engineers and analysts.
- Organizations should consider **adopting hybrid database strategies** that combine relational and NoSQL databases to handle both structured and unstructured data efficiently
- Companies can **reduce operational costs** and improve performance by **migrating to managed cloud databases**, aligning with the broader digital transformation trend.



DASHBOARD



IBM Cognos Dashboard Tabs are:

Current Technology Usage

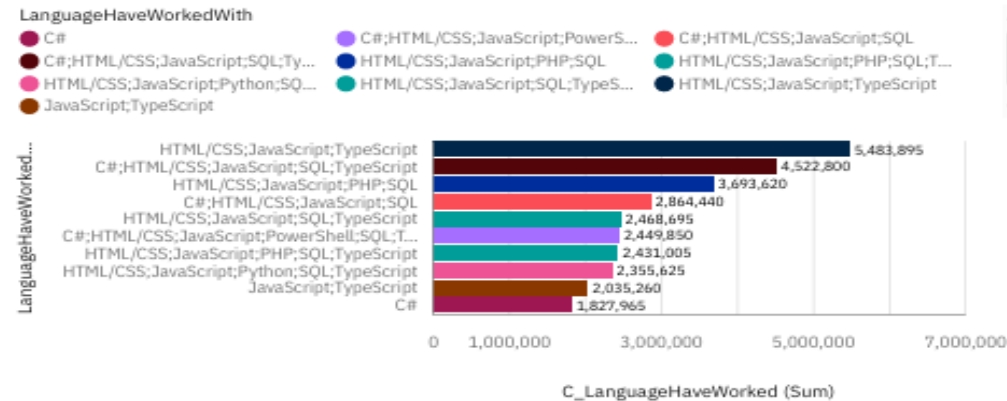
Future Technology Trend

Demographics

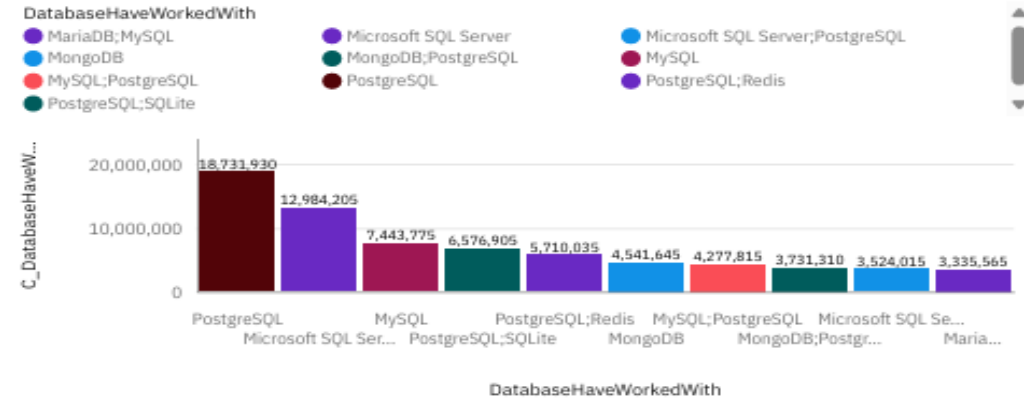
DASHBOARD TAB 1(CURRENT TECHNOLOGY USAGE)

Current Technology Usage

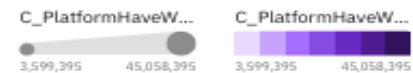
Top 10 Programming Languages Respondents Have Worked With



Top 10 Databases Used by Respondents



Top 10 Platforms Developers Work With



Top 10 Web Frameworks Used by Developers



Amazon Web Services (AWS)

Amazon Web Services (AWS);Microsoft Azure

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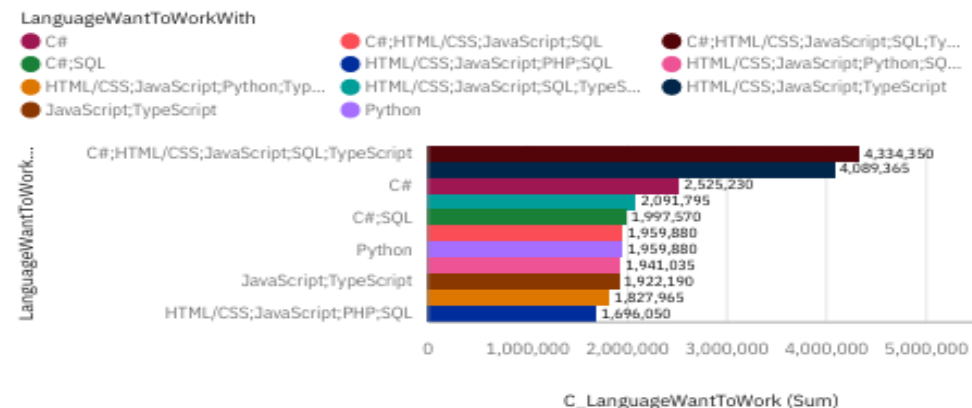
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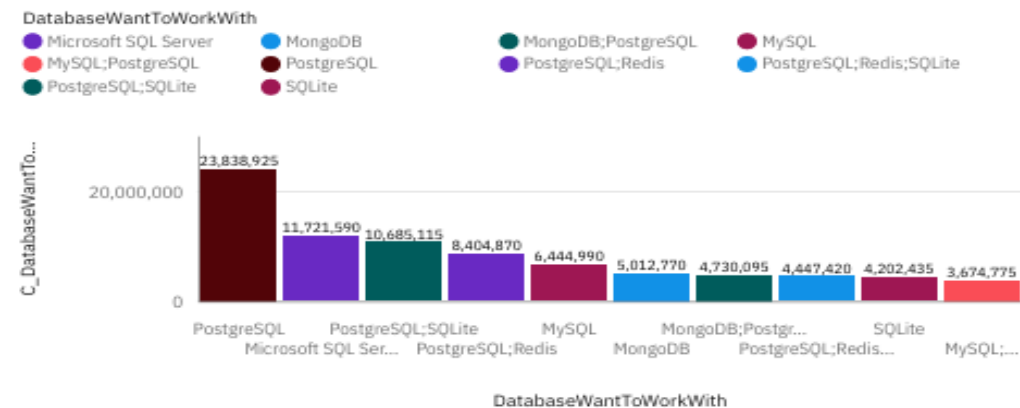
DASHBOARD TAB 2(FUTURE TECHNOLOGY TREND)

Future Technology Trend

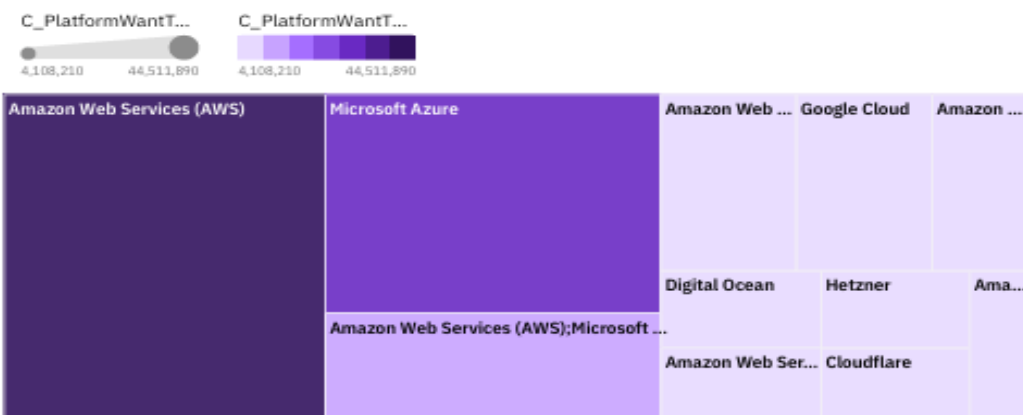
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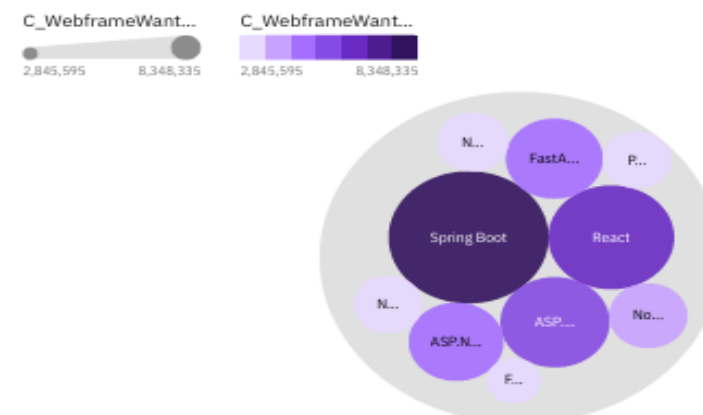
Top 10 Database Want To Work With



Top 10 Platform Want To Work With



Top 10 Web frame Want To Work With



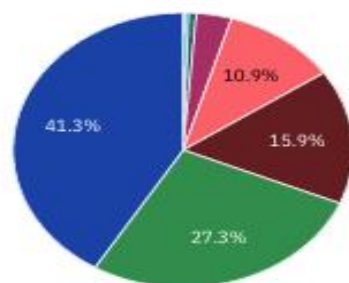
DASHBOARD TAB 3(DEMOGRAPHICS)

Demographics

Respondent Distribution by Age

Age

- Prefer not to say
- 18-24 years old
- 65 years or older
- 35-44 years old
- Under 18 years old
- 25-34 years old
- 55-64 years old
- 45-54 years old



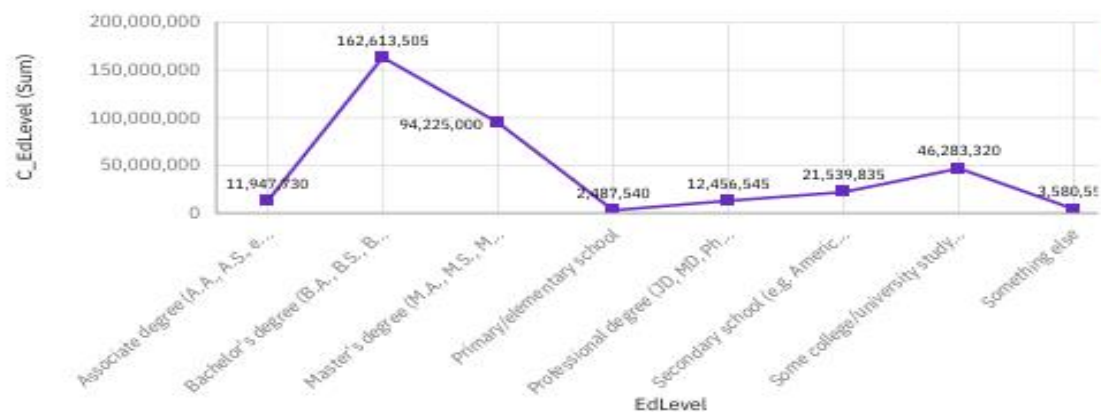
Respondent Count by Country

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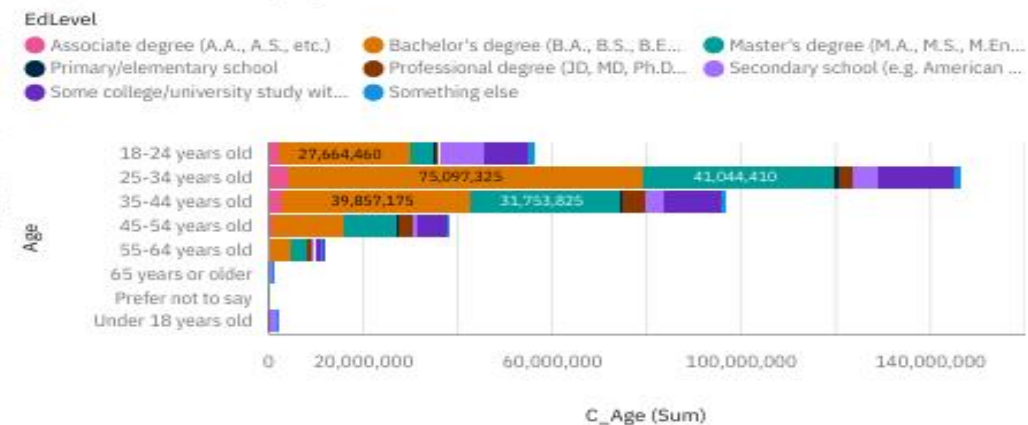
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Respondent Distribution by Education Level



Respondent Count by Age and Education Level



INSIGHTS FROM DASHBOARDS



- **Developers under 35** dominate responses and prefer **modern, open-source tools**.
- **Python** and **JavaScript** remain universal across all industries.
- **PostgreSQL** and **SQL Server** are future favorites for cloud-native development.
- **Higher education** correlates with **higher compensation** and diverse tech stacks.



OVERALL FINDINGS & IMPLICATIONS

Findings

- Developers prefer flexible, scalable technologies.
- Open-source tools continue to replace legacy systems.
- Cloud adoption is reshaping platform and database choices.

Implications

- **Employers** should focus on upskilling teams in Python, Go, and cloud tech.
- **Educators** should emphasize full-stack and AI/ML-ready tools.
- **Recruiters** can align job descriptions with these technology preferences.

CONCLUSION



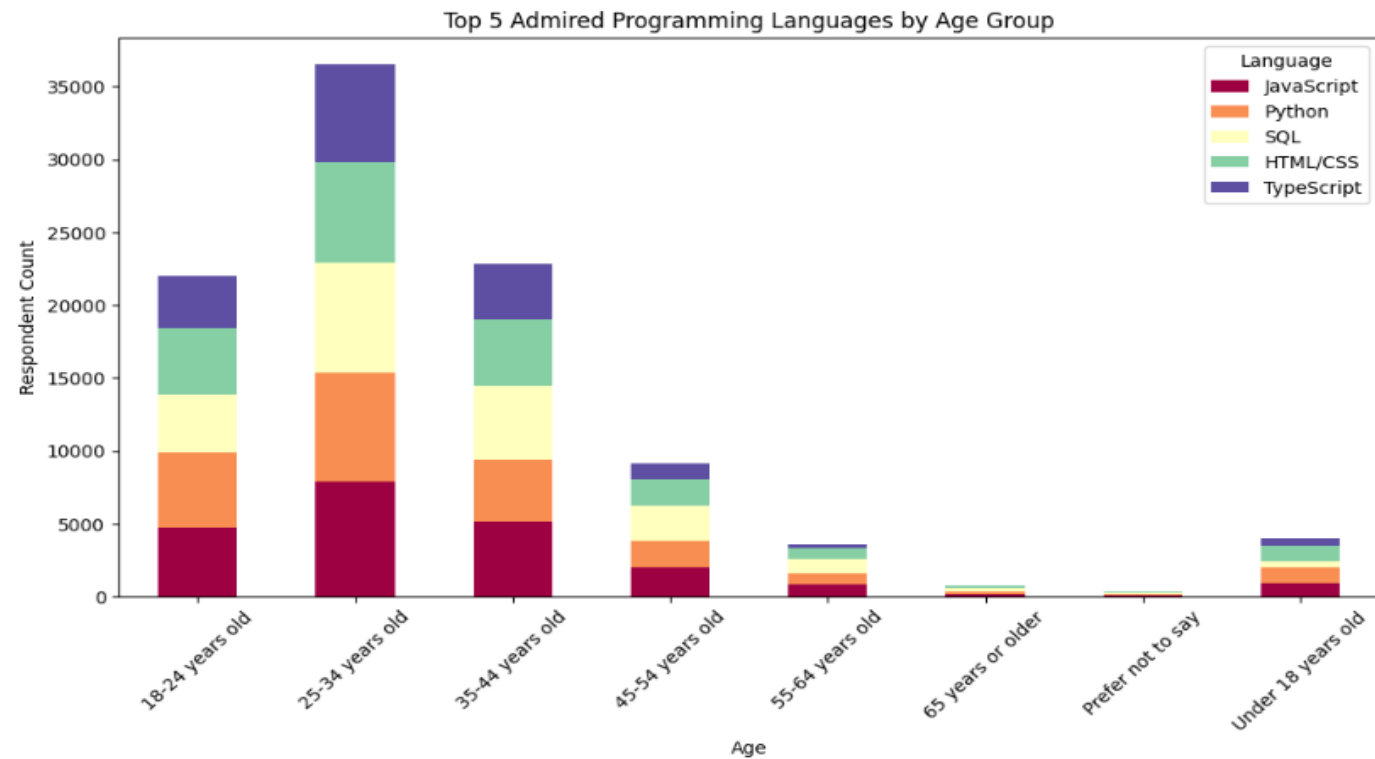
- **JavaScript, Python, and SQL** continue to dominate developer ecosystems.
- Strong interest in modern frameworks like **React and Node.js**.
- **Cloud and open-source databases** lead the next wave of digital transformation.
- Cognos dashboards provided clear, **data-driven insights** into evolving tech trends.



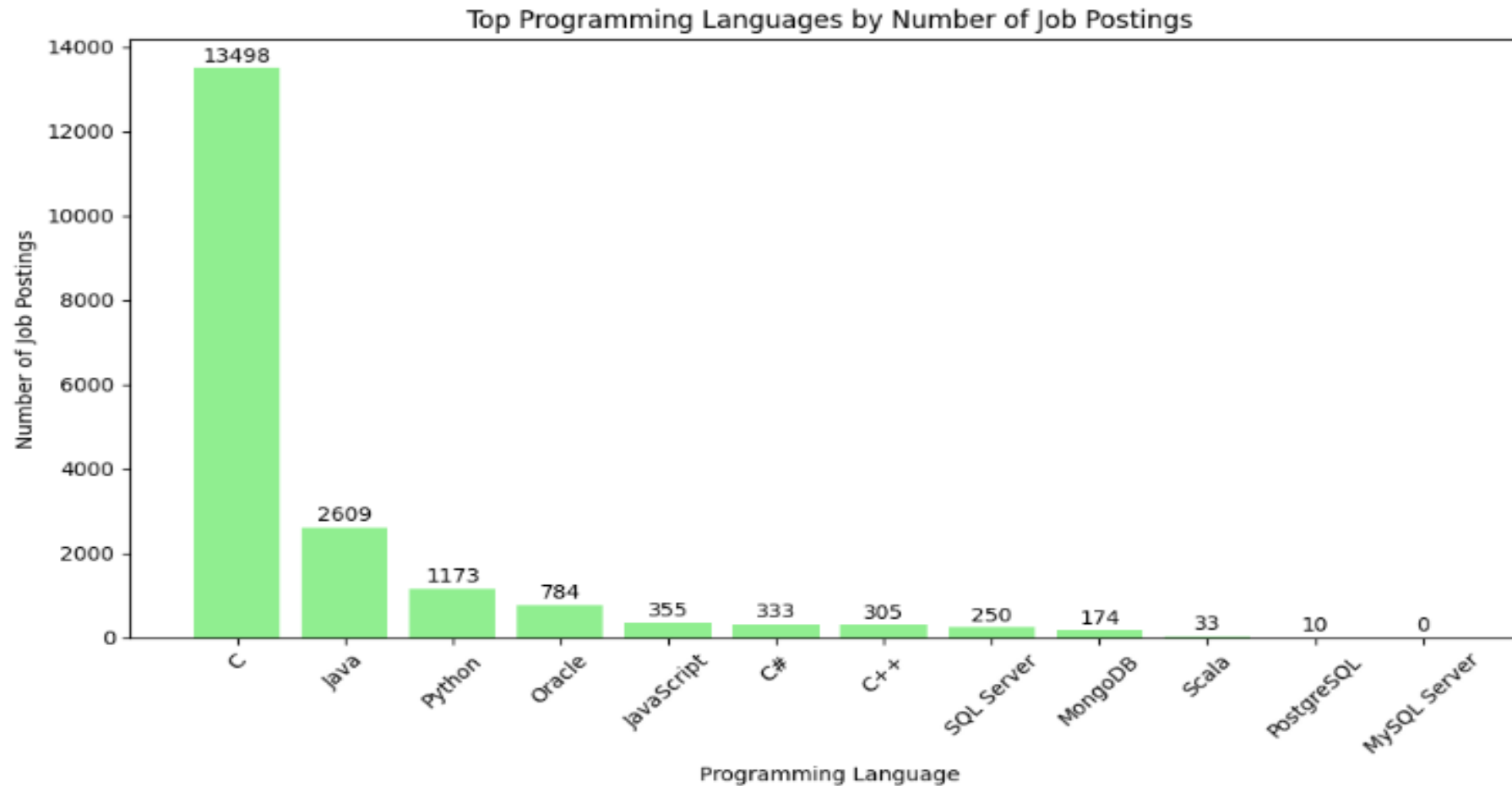
APPENDIX



Stacked Chart for Preferred Programming Languages by Age Group



JOB POSTINGS (BAR CHART)



POPULAR LANGUAGES(BAR CHART)

