

Compiling Data on Aviation with the Least Amount of Risk

Project Goals

Our company is interested in purchasing and operating aircrafts in order to expand and diversify our portfolio. Our goal is to determine which aircrafts have the lowest risk for our new business endeavors. We decided that these business endeavors can be broken up into three categories:

- Passenger transportation
- Cargo transportation
- Private enterprises

Our main goal for this project is to recommend an aircraft with the lowest risk for each of these business endeavors.

Data

The data used to reach our conclusions was taken from the following:
<https://www.kaggle.com/datasets/kshamha/aviation-accident-database-synopses>

This is a database from the NTSB (National Transportation Safety Board), which contains accidents and incidents from 1962 up to 2023. The dataset is limited to flights originating from the United States and its territories, and select events over international waters.

Start by importing libraries we will need to use.

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In [1]: # First need import statements

import numpy as np
import pandas as pd
import seaborn as sns
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

pd.set_option('display.max_colwidth', None)
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Then let's import the data.

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In [2]: df = pd.read_csv("../Data/AviationData.csv", encoding='latin-1', low_memory = False)
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Methods

Exploring The Data

Let's take a look at what we've got

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In [3]: # Take a look

print("These are the possible inputs for Aircraft Damage")
print(df['Aircraft.Damage'].value_counts().index)
print(df['Aircraft.Damage'].value_counts().values)

print("These are the possible inputs for Injury Severity (already looked at)")
print(df['Injury.Severity'].value_counts().index)
print(df['Injury.Severity'].value_counts().values)

print("These are the possible inputs for Aircraft.Category")
print(df['Aircraft.Category'].value_counts().index)
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print("These are the possible inputs for investigation type")
print(df['Investigation.Type'].value_counts().index)
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print("These are the possible inputs for Amateur.Built")
print(df['Amateur.Built'].value_counts().index)
print(df['Amateur.Built'].value_counts().values)

print("These are the possible inputs for Report.Status")
print(df['Report.Status'].value_counts().index)
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print("These are the possible inputs for Weather.Condition")
print(df['Weather.Condition'].value_counts().index)
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print("These are the possible inputs for Accident.Number")
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print("These are the possible inputs for Airport.Code")
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print("These are the possible inputs for FAR.Description")
print(df['FAR.Description'].value_counts().index)
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These are the possible inputs for Aircraft.Damage
Index(['Substantial', 'Destroyed', 'Minor', 'Unknown'], dtype='object')

These are the possible inputs for Injury.Severity (already looked at)
Index(['No', 'Fatal(1)', 'Fatal(2)', 'Fatal(3)', 'Fatal(4)', 'Fatal(5)', 'Minor', 'Serious'],
      dtype='object', length=7)

These are the possible inputs for Aircraft.Category
Index(['Airplane', 'Helicopter', 'Glider', 'Balloon', 'Gyrocraft', 'Weight-shift', 'Powered Parachute', 'Ultralight', 'Unknown', 'WSP', 'Powered-lift', 'Blimp', 'XKX', 'Rocket', 'UltrF'],
      dtype='object')
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These are the possible inputs for investigation type
Index(['Accident', 'Incident'], dtype='object')

These are the possible inputs for Amateur.Built
Index(['No', 'Yes'], dtype='object')
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These are the possible inputs for Report.Status
Index(['Probable Cause', 'Foreign', 'Factual',
      'The pilot's failure to maintain directional control during the landing roll.',
      'A loss of engine power for undetermined reasons.',
      'The pilot's failure to maintain directional control during landing.',
      'A total loss of engine power for undetermined reasons.',
      'The loss of engine power for undetermined reasons.',
      'The pilot's failure to maintain directional control during the landing roll.'],
      dtype='object', length=109)

These are the possible inputs for Aircraft.Category
Index(['Airplane', 'Helicopter', 'Glider', 'Balloon', 'Gyrocraft', 'Weight-shift', 'Powered Parachute', 'Ultralight', 'Unknown', 'WSP', 'Powered-lift', 'Blimp', 'XKX', 'Rocket', 'UltrF'],
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In [33]: Airplane      24931
         Helicopter  2907
         Glider      431
         Gyrocopter  168
         Balloon     166
         Weight-Shift 154
         Powered Parachute 87
         Ultralight   26
         WSFT         9
         Blimp        4
         Ultracorn    4
         Powered-Lift  4
         Rocket       1
         UUVs         1
         Name: aircraft_category, dtype: int64

In [34]: df_clean_airplanes = df_clean.loc[df_clean['aircraft_category'] == 'Airplane']

In [35]: # What are the top 10 makes of airplanes?

         top_10_makes = df_clean_airplanes['make'].value_counts().head(10)
         top_10_makes

Out[35]: cessna      7948
         piper      4495
         beech     1531
         boeing     679
         mooney     446
         air       410
         grumman    390
         cirrus     356
         bellanca   272
         aerona     228
         Name: make, dtype: int64
```

We are going to drop

the null and unknown values from engine_type for the dataframe because it is relevant to the safety of airplanes.

Dropping Null Values From engine_type

```
In [36]: df_clean_airplanes.dropna(subset=['engine_type'], inplace=True)
         df_clean_airplanes['engine_type'].isna().sum()

<ipython-input-36-c9e9cb67ffda>:1: SettingWithCopyWarning:
A value is trying to be set on a copy of a slice from a DataFrame
See the caveats in the documentation: https://pandas.pydata.org/pandas-docs/stable/user_guide/indexing.html#returning-a-view-versus-a-copy
df_clean_airplanes.dropna(subset=['engine_type'], inplace=True)

Out[36]: 0
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Dropping unknown values from engine_type

```
In [37]: df_clean_airplanes.drop(df_clean[(df_clean['engine_type'] == 'unknown')].index, inplace=True)
         df_clean_airplanes

C:\Anaconda3\envs\learn-env\lib\site-packages\pandas\core\frame.py:4163: SettingWithCopyWarning:
A value is trying to be set on a copy of a slice from a DataFrame
See the caveats in the documentation: https://pandas.pydata.org/pandas-docs/stable/user_guide/indexing.html#returning-a-view-versus-a-copy
return super().drop(

Out[37]:
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	event_id	investigation_type	accident_number	event_date	location	country	latitude	longitude
	5	20170710XS2551	Accident	NYC79AA106	1979-09-17	BOSTON, MA	United States	42.445277 -70.7
	7	20020909X01562	Accident	SEA82DA022	1982-01-01	PULLMAN, WA	United States	NaN
	8	20020909X01561	Accident	NYC82DA015	1982-01-01	EAST HANOVER, NJ	United States	NaN
	12	20020917X02148	Accident	FTW82FRJ07	1982-01-02	HOMER, LA	United States	NaN
	13	20020917X02134	Accident	FTW82FRA14	1982-01-02	HEARNE, TX	United States	NaN

	88639	20221011106092	Accident	CEN23LA008	2022-10-06	Iola, TX	United States	304354N 0096
	88647	20221011106098	Accident	ERA23LA014	2022-10-08	Dacula, GA	United States	034055N 0835
	88661	20221018106153	Accident	CEN23LA015	2022-10-13	Ardmore, OK	United States	034849N 0097

	88735	20221031106231	Accident	CEN23LA023	2022-10-29	Houston, TX	United States	293620N 0095
	88767	20221109106272	Accident	CEN23LA033	2022-11-09	Bridgeport, TX	United States	331026N 0974

22700 rows x 32 columns

Filtering down the engines

Engines we don't want: Reciprocating Engines

```
In [38]: df_clean_airplanes['engine_type'].value_counts().index

Out[38]: Index(['Reciprocating', 'Turbo Prop', 'Turbo Fan', 'Turbo Jet', 'Unknown', 'Geared Turbofan', 'Turbo Shaft', 'Electric', 'UNK'],
         dtype='object')

How to handle the Reciprocating engines?

Remove the rows with reciprocating engines.

In [39]: # This code works by:
         # Calling the drop() method and passing it the filtered rows we want to drop
         # I want to drop the rows of df_clean_airplanes where the engine_type is Reciprocating
         df_clean_airplanes.drop(df_clean_airplanes[df_clean_airplanes['engine_type'] == 'Reciprocating'].index, inplace=True)
         # See the caveats in the documentation: https://pandas.pydata.org/pandas-docs/stable/user_guide/indexing.html#returning-a-view-versus-a-copy
         return super().drop(

In [40]: # export .csv file to look at in Tableau
         df_clean_airplanes.to_csv('./Data/clean_airplanes.csv')

In [41]: ### Exploring airplanes and the differing number of engines for their makes

This is a filter for planes with two engines and a new dataframe consisting of data only for planes with 2 engines:
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In [42]: df_clean_airplanes_w_2_engines = df_clean_airplanes.loc[df_clean_airplanes['number_of_engines'] == 2]

In [43]: # df to csv
         df_clean_airplanes_w_2_engines.to_csv('./Data/two_engine_planes.csv')

This is a filter for planes with three engines and a new dataframe consisting of data only for planes with 3 engines:
```

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In [44]: df_clean_airplanes_w_3_engines = df_clean_airplanes.loc[df_clean_airplanes['number_of_engines'] == 3]

In [45]: # df to csv
         df_clean_airplanes_w_3_engines.to_csv('./Data/three_engine_plane.csv')

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Investigating the Carriers

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In [46]: df_clean_airplanes['model'].value_counts()

Out[46]: 208B      60
         208      44
         A1-502B  36
         737      36
         A320     33
         BOEING 777-228 LGW      1
         DHC 6 200      1
         LANCAIR IV P      1
         DHC-2      1
         CL600-2A12      1
         Name: model, Length: 875, dtype: int64

In [47]: df_737 = df_clean_airplanes.query("model == '737' | model == '747' | model == '340' | model == '737' | model == '747'")
         df_737 = df_737.query("make == 'boeing' | make == 'airbus'")
         df_737['model']

Out[47]: 4150      747
         52199    747
         54167    747
         55630    737
         64807    737
         65457    737
         65538    320
         66356    737
         66556    737
         66965    737
         67027    737
         67151    737
         67271    737
         67743    747
         67994    737
         68146    747
         68353    737
         68738    737
         69156    747
         70924    737
         71199    737
         71882    747
         72233    747
         73533    320
         73586    747
         74633    737
         74747    737
         75823    747
         77087    737
         77411    747
         77705    737
         77887    737
         77906    737
         80518    747
         81107    737
         81327    747
         82042    737
         82151    737
         82165    737
         82437    737
         82655    737
         82850    737
         82857    737
         82987    737
         83134    737
         84372    737
         84538    737
         85070    737
         Name: model, dtype: object

In [48]: df_737['model'].value_counts()

Out[48]: 737      36
         747      13
         320      2
         Name: model, dtype: int64

In [49]: df_737['make'].value_counts()

Out[49]: boeing      49
         airbus      2
         Name: make, dtype: int64

In [50]: number_of_planes_737 = df_737['model'].value_counts().values[0]
         number_of_planes_747 = df_737['model'].value_counts().values[1]

In [51]: df_737_accidents = df_737[df_737['model'] == '737']
         df_747_accidents = df_737[df_737['model'] == '747']
         df_737_substantial = df_737_accidents[df_737_accidents['aircraft_damage'] == 'Substantial']
         df_747_substantial = df_747_accidents[df_747_accidents['aircraft_damage'] == 'Substantial']
         df_737_minor = df_737_accidents[df_737_accidents['aircraft_damage'] == 'Minor'].shape
         df_747_minor = df_747_accidents[df_747_accidents['aircraft_damage'] == 'Minor'].shape

In [52]: # export .csv file to look at further in Tableau
         df_737.to_csv('./Data/carriers.csv')
```

Helicopters

```
In [53]: df_clean_helicopters = df_clean.loc[df_clean['aircraft_category'] == 'Helicopter']

In [54]: df_clean_helicopters[df_clean_helicopters['engine_type'] == 'Reciprocating'].sort_values(by='event_id', ascending=True)

Out[54]:
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	event_id	investigation_type	accident_number	event_date	location	country	latitude	longitude
	88414	20220831105841	Accident	WPR22LA329	2022-08-26	Deadhorse, AK	United States	684126N 014

	88341	20220811105721	Accident	WPR22LA299	2022-08-11	Palmer, AK	United States	612618N 148
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	88309	20220808105687	Accident	CEN22LA366	2022-08-05	Maynard, IA	United States	424912N 091
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	88281	20220801105634	Accident	CEN22LA350	2022-07-31	Marshall, MO	United States	039633N 093
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	88256	20220729105620	Accident	CEN22LA345	2022-07-28	Ithaca, NE	United States	041946N 096
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	151	20020917X02578	Accident	SEA82DA020	1982-01-22	NEAR KINGSTON, ID	United States	NaN
	137	20020917X01915	Accident	DEN82DA021	1982-01-20	BONDURANT, WY	United States	NaN
	91	20020917X02577	Accident	SEA82DA019	1982-01-15	S.E. OF MALTA, ID	United States	NaN
	19	20020917X02339	Accident	MIAB2DA028	1982-01-02	MIAMI, FL	United States	NaN
	16	20020917X01962	Accident	DEN82DTM08	1982-01-02	MIDWAY, UT	United States	NaN

1375 rows x 32 columns

It looks like reciprocating engines are still being used for helicopters today, so we will not drop those engines for this dataframe.

```
In [55]: # What models have the highest average of uninjured passengers?
         df_clean_helicopters.groupby('model')['total_uninjured'].mean().sort_values(ascending=True)

Out[55]: model
         92      18.0
         S-92A   14.0
         SA-330J  13.0
         2148T   11.0
         412 - EP  11.0
         S 76B   10.0
         AS 350 BA FX1  7.0
         BV234    7.0
         S-76C++   7.0
         EC 130B4   6.0
         Name: total_uninjured, dtype: float64

In [56]: # turn into .csv file to visualize in Tableau
         df_clean_helicopters.to_csv('./Data/clean_helicopters.csv')
```

Results

Question Statement:

Which aircrafts are the lowest risk?

What are our three concrete business recommendations

After analysing our data we are able to come to the results that;

Passenger Transport is ideal

- The Boeing 727 model is ideal for passenger transportation because out of all 2407 plane crashes only 345 of them were a Boeing make
- Out of all 345 Boeing crashes, only 16 of them were with the Boeing 727 model the only Boeing make with three engines.
- Out of all 16 Boeing crashes only 3 had any injuries related none of them being fatal.
- We were able to reach this conclusion by analyzing the data set and filtering it down to specific components we were interested in looking at and then comparing the data sets with information like total crashes for makes or total crashes for a specific number of engine plane.

Cargo Transportation

- The Boeing 747 model is ideal for cargo transportation.
- We came to this conclusion by making a ratio of number of accidents to number of planes.
- When comparing the aircraft damage severity between the Boeings the 737 is smaller than the 747.
- The Boeing 747 has 107 ton of capacity.
- The nose of the 747 opens (really cool).
- The 747 has a wide body which means more space.
- The 747 also has 4 engines making it much safer.

Private Enterprises

- The Sikorsky S-92A is ideal for private enterprises
- Since certain makes and models have more crash occurrences than others
- Used the mean to show the ratio of uninjured passengers to the number of accidents.

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