

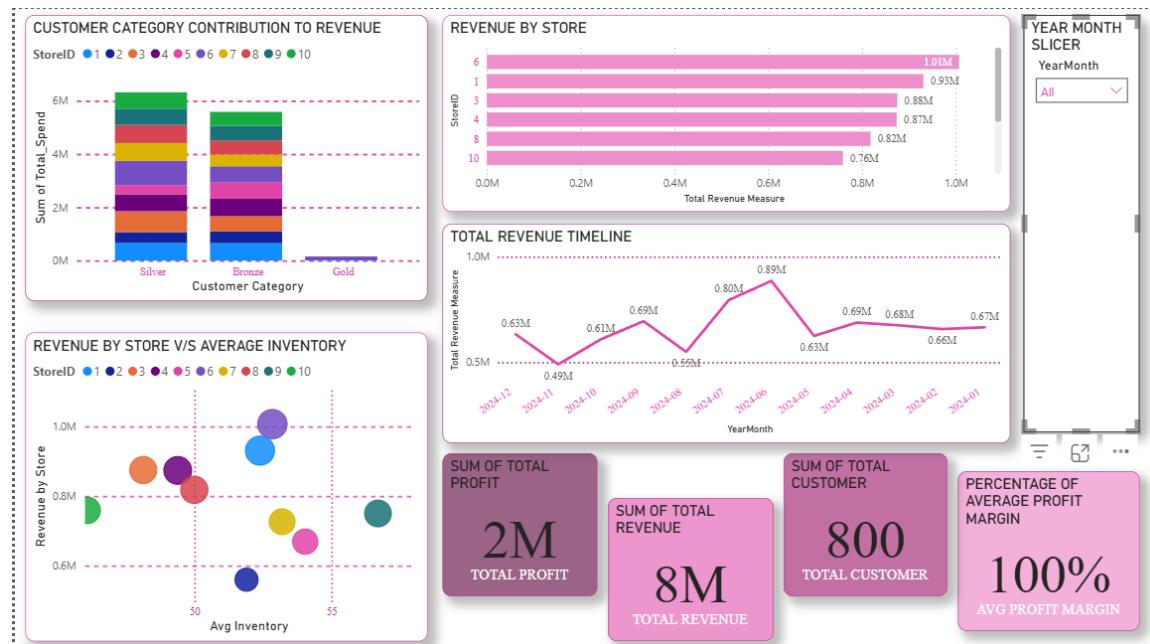
Mini Project Report

Data-Driven Decision-Making Using Power BI

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1. Objective

The main objective of this mini project was to take raw sales data and convert it into something meaningful using Business Intelligence concepts. I used Microsoft Power BI to create a dashboard that helps understand how the business is performing in terms of revenue, store efficiency, customer spending patterns, inventory management, and overall trends across months. The goal was to support data-driven decision-making instead of guessing or making decisions without proper insights.

2. Business Scenario

I chose a retail sales scenario involving 10 stores. The company deals with everyday retail products and gets hundreds of sales transactions each month. However, the management has very little clarity on:

- Which stores are performing well or poorly
- How monthly sales are changing
- Whether inventory levels are too high or too low
- Which customer segments bring in the most money

Because of this lack of visibility, the business struggles with stocking the right amount, identifying slow-moving stores, planning promotions, and understanding customer behavior.

3. Problem We Are Solving Using Power BI

The main business problem solved through this dashboard is that the company does not have a unified way to view revenue, inventory, and customer patterns. Decisions were being made blindly.

Power BI helps the business by:

- Showing which stores generate high or low revenue

- Highlighting months where sales dipped or increased
- Comparing inventory with revenue to find inefficiencies
- Classifying customers (Gold, Silver, Bronze) based on spending
- Allowing management to filter and explore data interactively

In simple words, the dashboard helps the business see what's happening, why it's happening, and what actions they need to take next.

4. Dataset Description

I used a dataset with around 850 rows of sales transactions. Each entry includes:

StoreID, CustomerID, Date, Product, Units Sold, Unit Price, Revenue, Cost, Total Spend, and Inventory Level.

I also created a separate DateTable using DAX.

5. BI Concepts Applied

5.1 Customer Segmentation (Branching Logic)

A calculated column was created:

Customer Category =

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IF(SalesData[Total_Spend] > 50000, "Gold",
  IF(SalesData[Total_Spend] > 20000, "Silver", "Bronze"))
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5.2 Time Intelligence and Trend Analysis (MoM Growth)

I created a DateTable:

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DateTable = CALENDAR(MIN(SalesData[Date]), MAX(SalesData[Date]))
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Total Revenue Measure = SUM(SalesData[Total_Revenue])

MoM Growth % =

VAR CurrentMonth = [Total Revenue Measure]

VAR PreviousMonth =

CALCULATE([Total Revenue Measure], DATEADD(DateTable[Date], -1, MONTH))

RETURN

IF(ISBLANK(PreviousMonth), BLANK(),

DIVIDE(CurrentMonth - PreviousMonth, PreviousMonth))

5.3 KPI Calculations

Total_Revenue = SalesData[Unit_Price] * SalesData[Units_Sold]

Total_Cost = SalesData[Cost]

Total_Profit = SalesData[Total_Revenue] - SalesData[Total_Cost]

Avg Profit Margin = DIVIDE([Total Profit], [Total Revenue Measure])

6. Dashboard Explanation

The dashboard contains:

- KPI section
- Revenue by Store chart
- Monthly Revenue Timeline
- Inventory vs Revenue scatter plot
- Customer Category contribution chart
- YearMonth slicer for filtering

7. Key Insights

1. Stores like Store 1 and Store 6 generate the highest revenue while others lag.
2. Monthly revenue shows clear seasonal patterns.
3. Some stores have inefficient inventory usage.
4. Silver customers contribute the most spending.

8. Recommendations

- Adjust inventory based on store performance.
- Provide targeted promotions to weak stores.
- Focus marketing on Silver customers.
- Use trend data for better stock planning.

9. Conclusion

This Power BI dashboard successfully turned raw data into actionable insights. By applying BI concepts such as DAX, segmentation, time analysis, and dashboard design, the business can now make smarter and more confident decisions.

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Customer Category Contribution to Revenue

Revenue by Store

Total Revenue Timeline

Revenue by Store v/s Average Inventory

Sum of Total Profit

Sum of Total Customer

Percentage of Average Profit Margin

YEAR MONTH SLICER

YearMonth

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Customer Category Contribution to Revenue

Revenue by Store

Total Revenue Timeline

Revenue by Store v/s Average Inventory

Sum of Total Profit

Sum of Total Customer

Percentage of Average Profit Margin

YEAR MONTH SLICER

YearMonth

2024-02

2024-01

2024-02

2024-03

2024-04

2024-05

2024-06

2024-07

The screenshot shows the Power BI Data Model interface with two tables: SalesData and DateTable.

SalesData Table:

- Avg Profit Margin
- Category
 - Cost
 - Customer Category
 - CustomerID
- Date
 - InventoryLevel
 - Product
 - Revenue

DateTable Table:

- Date
- YearMonth

Relationship:

- A relationship exists between the SalesData table's Date column and the DateTable table's Date column. The relationship is defined as 1 to many (*).

Manage relationships dialog:

- From: SalesData (Date)
- To: DateTable (Date)
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- Category
- Cost
- Customer Category
- CustomerID
- Date
- InventoryLevel
- AoM Growth %

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Name: MoM Growth %

Home table: SalesData

Format: General

Data category: Uncategorized

Structure

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Calculations

New Quick measure measure

1 MoM Growth % = VAR CM=[Total Revenue Measure] VAR PM=CALCULATE([Total Revenue Measure],DATEADD(DateTable[Date],-1,MONTH)) RETURN IF([TSBLANK(PM),BLANK(),DIVIDE(CM-PM,PM)])

os*	InventoryLevel	Total Spend	Customer Category	Total Cost	Total Revenue	Total Profit	Avg Profit Margin	Total Revenue column
2224.17	85	4479.61	Bronze	2224	2763	539	0.195038002171553	2763
1549.43	58	3380.07	Bronze	1549	2304	755	0.32750434027778	2304
5993.76	14	45579.99	Silver	15994	26060	10066	0.386271680736761	26060

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Home table: SalesData

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Data category: Uncategorized

Structure

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New Quick measure measure

os*	InventoryLevel	Total Spend	Customer Category	Total Cost	Total Revenue	Total Profit	Avg Profit Margin	Total Revenue column
Table view	85	4479.61	Bronze	2224	2763	539	0.195038002171553	2763
1549.43	58	3380.07	Bronze	1549	2304	755	0.32750434027778	2304
5993.76	14	45579.99	Silver	15994	26060	10066	0.386271680736761	26060
7616.64	29	18811.23	Bronze	7617	11347	3730	0.32875271680736761	11347
980.49	48	1701.65	Bronze	980	1200	220	0.182925	1200
12712.9	5	18926.61	Bronze	12713	16704	3991	0.238930795019157	16704
1077.41	58	2497.89	Bronze	1077	1528	451	0.294888743455497	1528
3390.79	6	9829.43	Bronze	8391	9720	1329	0.13675	9720
623.59	99	1413.81	Bronze	624	717	93	0.130278940027894	717
7610.18	39	21212.99	Silver	7610	11236	3626	0.322696669213243	11236
3650.87	29	7351.86	Bronze	3651	5246	1595	0.304065955013344	5246
2905.95	61	3940.13	Bronze	2906	3432	526	0.15327797207979	3432
4243.33	49	30528.48	Silver	14243	23232	8989	0.38690904820937	23232
3280.52	14	16888.15	Bronze	8281	11389	3108	0.27937044516639	11389
5147.17	30	23912.51	Silver	15147	17180	2033	0.118325378346915	17180
1375.94	58	18710.92	Bronze	11376	14600	3224	0.22082602739726	14600
673	25	1227.99	Bronze	673	861	188	0.218350754936121	861
3109.98	33	5013.09	Bronze	3110	4776	1666	0.348831658291457	4776
1254.35	29	2901.11	Bronze	1254	2070	816	0.394033816425121	2070

Table: SalesData (850 rows) Column: Avg Inventory (0 distinct values)

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Data

- DataTable
- Date
- YearMonth