

Good morning, but coffee first

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Coffee Sales Data - Introduction

I'm excited to present my Coffee Sales Data Analysis project, which focuses on uncovering actionable insights from extensive sales data in the coffee industry. Driven by a passion for data storytelling and analytics, I utilized structured queries and real-world datasets to explore sales trends, consumer behavior, and performance patterns—bringing hidden insights to light and supporting data-driven decision-making in a competitive market.

Introduction

In this project, I conducted an in-depth exploratory data analysis (EDA) of coffee sales data using SQL to uncover meaningful business insights and market trends. Leveraging structured queries, I analyzed key aspects such as product-wise sales distribution, seasonal demand patterns, customer purchasing behavior, and regional performance. The analysis also explored trends over time, identifying peak sales periods, top-performing products, and the influence of promotional campaigns. Additionally, I examined contributions from specific store locations, recurring high-value customers, and keyword-based categorization of product types (e.g., blends involving 'espresso' or 'organic'). Notably, I identified the highest-selling product, tracked year-on-year growth, and highlighted regions with the strongest market penetration. This project demonstrates my proficiency in SQL, data storytelling, and analytical thinking—illustrating how structured data can power strategic decisions in the retail and beverage industry.

Data Overview

This project utilizes a structured dataset comprising over 8,000 unique coffee sales transactions from a retail database. Each entry represents an individual sale and includes a rich set of attributes that enabled a comprehensive analysis of product performance, customer behavior, and regional sales trends.

Key Attributes in the Dataset Include -

- Invoice ID Unique identifier for each transaction
- Product Name Specific coffee product sold (e.g., Espresso, Latte, Cold Brew)
- Category Type or classification of the product (e.g., Hot, Iced, Organic)
- Quantity Sold Number of units sold per transaction
- Unit Price Price per unit of the product
- Total Amount Total transaction value (Quantity × Unit Price)
- Customer ID Unique identifier for each customer (where available)
- Store Location Geographic location of the sale
- Date of Sale The specific date on which the transaction occurred
- Payment Method Mode of payment used (e.g., Credit Card, Cash, Digital Wallet)
- Employee ID Sales representative handling the transaction (if applicable)

The dataset was carefully preprocessed to handle null values, remove inconsistencies, and ensure data integrity. It served as the foundation for crafting optimized SQL queries that revealed actionable insights into seasonal demand fluctuations, product category performance, high-value customers, and regional market dynamics—driving data-backed strategies for business growth.

Project Objective

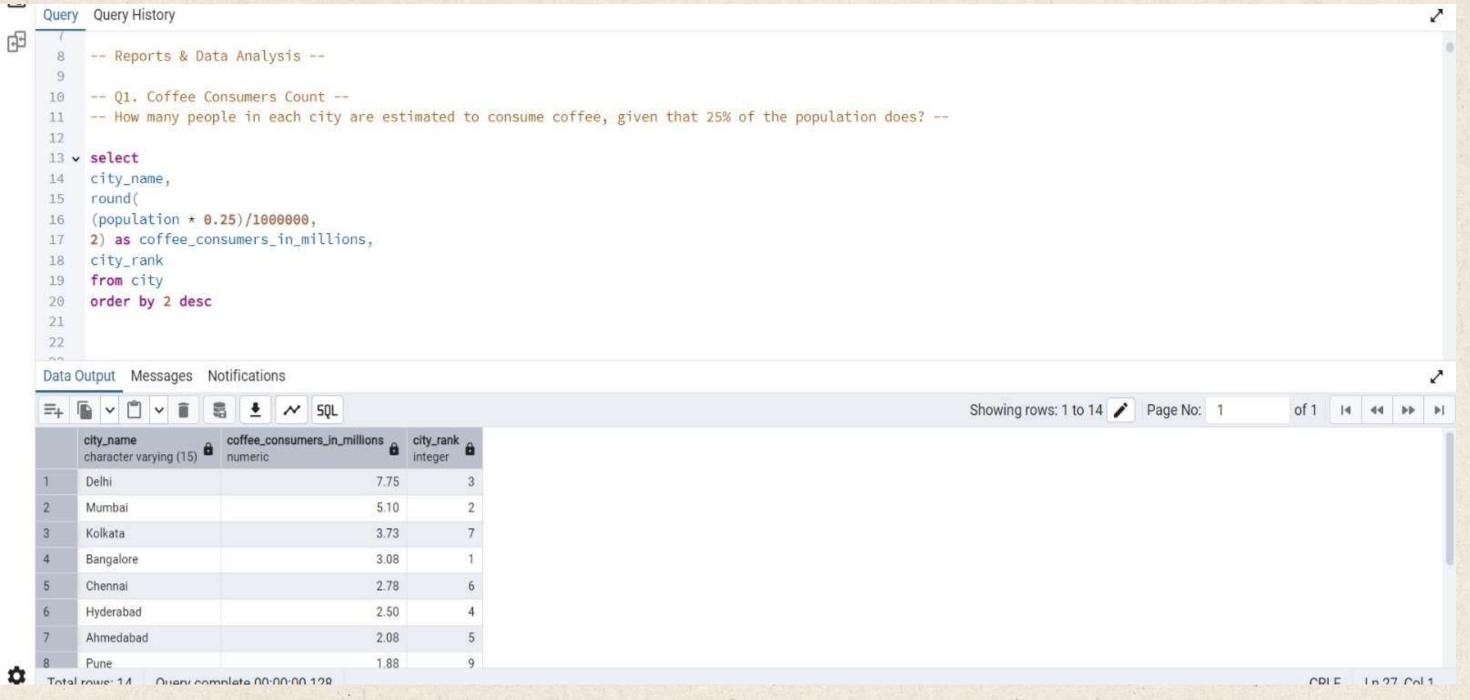
The primary objective of this project was to perform a structured and insightful analysis of coffee sales data using SQL. The goal was to uncover meaningful patterns, trends, and performance metrics that could drive informed decision-making related to product strategy, customer preferences, and regional market performance.

This project focused on:

- Categorizing and comparing sales performance across different coffee product types (e.g., Hot vs. Iced, Espresso vs. Latte)
- Identifying top-selling products and their seasonal demand patterns
- Extracting year-over-year and month-over-month sales trends, including spikes during specific periods (e.g., holiday seasons)
- Analyzing regional sales data to highlight high-performing store locations and customer hubs
- Investigating high-revenue transactions and identifying premium product lines
- Filtering sales by key customer segments and recurring high-value clients
- Highlighting high-volume stores with consistent sales growth
- Generating category-wise breakdowns of sales volume and revenue contribution
- Exploring geographic sales patterns, with special attention to emerging markets
- Tagging and classifying products based on keyword identifiers (e.g., "Organic," "Espresso," "Decaf")
- Identifying data gaps, such as transactions with missing customer or product information

Through these objectives, the project demonstrates how structured SQL queries can be effectively used to extract actionable insights from large-scale retail datasets—helping businesses optimize inventory, pricing, and marketing strategies.

-- 1. How many people in each city are estimated to consume, given that 25% of the population does? --





-- 2. What is the total revenue generated from coffee sales across all cities in the last quarter of 2023? --

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-- Q2. Total revenue from coffee sales --
29
     -- What is the total revenue generated from coffee sales across all cities in the last quarter of 2023? --
31
    Select
32
        ci.city_name,
33
       sum(s.total) as total_revenue
34
    from sales as s
    join customers as c
36
    on s.customer_id = c.customer_id
    join city as ci
38
     on ci.city_id = c.city_id
    where
40
         extract(year from s.sale_date) = 2023
41
         and
42
         extract(quarter from s.sale_date) = 4
43
         group by 1
44
         order by 2 desc
45
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3	Bangalore 270780						780			
4	Ja	ipur							248	580
5	De	lhi							238	490
6	Ka	npu	r						71	890
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-- 3. How many units of each product have been sold? --

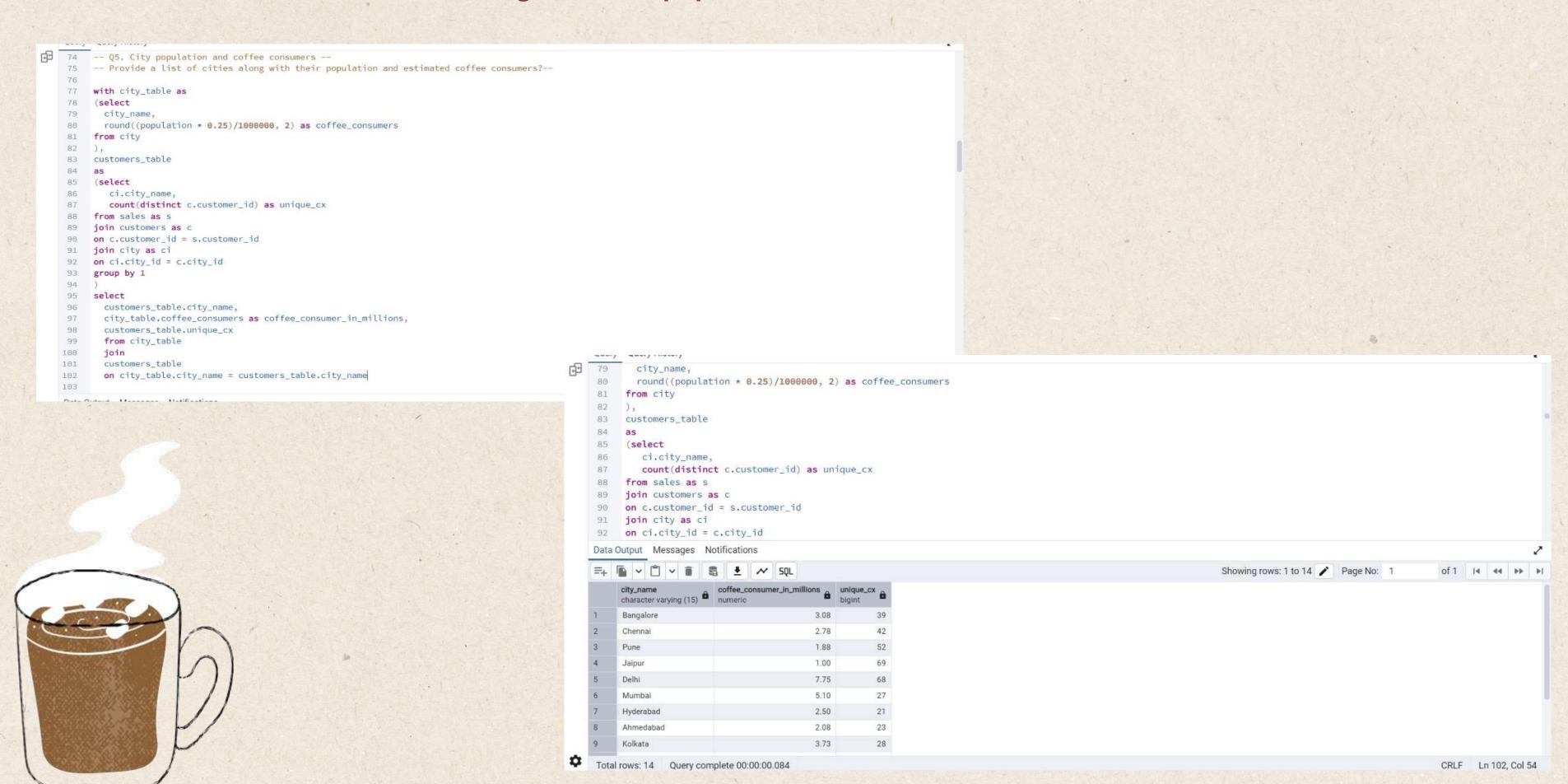
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47
      -- Q3. Sales count for each product --
      -- How many units of each coffee product have been sold?--
48
49
      select
50
        p.product_name,
51
        count(s.sale_id) as total_orders
52
      from products as p
53
      left join
54
      sales as s
55
      on s.product_id = p.product_id
56
      group by 1
57
      order by 2 desc
58
59
60
61
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=+
     city_name
                          total_revenue
     character varying (15)
                          double precision
      Pune
                                  434330
      Chennai
2
                                  302500
     Bangalore
3
                                  270780
     Jaipur
                                  248580
      Delhi
                                   238490
     Kanpur
                                   71890
     Mumbai
                                   71340
     Surat
                                   52560
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-- 4. What is the average sales amount per customer in each day? --

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-- Q4. Average sales amount per city --
53
       -- What is the average sales amount per customer in each city?--
54
55
       Select
56
57
          ci.city_name,
          sum(s.total) as total_revenue,
58
          count(distinct s.customer_id) as total_cx,
59
          ROUND (
60
          sum(s.total)::numeric/
61
                      count(distinct s.customer_id)::numeric
62
                      ,2) as avg_sale_per_cx
63
       from sales as s
64
       join customers as c
65
       on s.customer_id = c.customer_id
66
       join city as ci
67
       on ci.city_id = c.city_id
68
       group by 1
69
       order by 2
70
```



-- 5. Provide a list of cities along with their population and estimated coffee consumers? --



-- 6. What are top 3 selling products in each city based on sales volume? --

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-- Q6. Top selling products by city --
104
      -- What are the top 3 selling products in each city based on sales volume?--
105
106
      select * from --table
107
      (select
108
        ci.city_name,
109
        p.product_name,
110
        count(s.sale_id) as total_orders,
111
        dense_rank() over(partition by ci.city_name order by count(s.sale_id) desc) as rank
112
      from sales as s
113
      join products as p
114
      on s.product_id = p.product_id
115
      join customers as c
116
      on c.customer_id = s.customer_id
117
      join city as ci
118
      on ci.city_id = c.city_id
119
      group by 1, 2) as t1
120
      where rank <=3
121
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	city_name character varying (15)	product_name character varying (35)	total_orders bigint	rank bigint
7	Ahmedabad	Cold Brew Coffee Pack (6 Bottles)	40	1
2	Ahmedabad	Coffee Beans (500g)	35	2
3	Ahmedabad	Instant Coffee Powder (100g)	26	3
4	Bangalore	Cold Brew Coffee Pack (6 Bottles)	197	1
5	Bangalore	Ground Espresso Coffee (250g)	167	2

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-- 7. How many unique customers are there in each city who have purchased coffee products? --

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122
      -- Q7. Customer segmentation by city --
123
      -- How many unique customers are there in each city who have purchased coffee products?--
124
125
      select
126
         ci.city_name,
127
         count (distinct c.customer_id) as unique_cx
128
      from city as ci
129
      left join
130
      customers as c
131
      on c.city_id = ci.city_id
132
      join sales as s
133
      on s.customer_id = c.customer_id
134
      where
135
        s.product_id in (1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,11,12,13,14)
136
        group by 1
137
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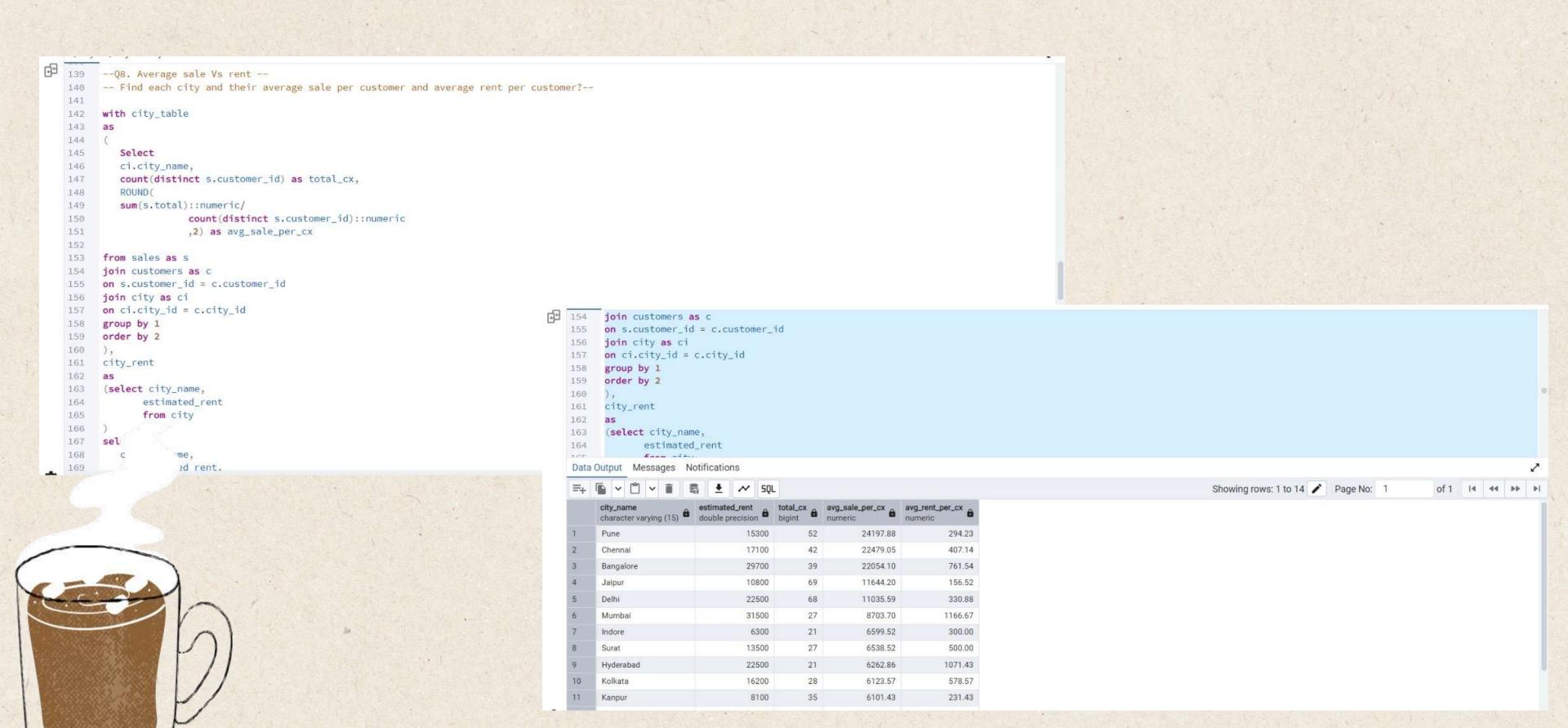


	city_name character varying (15)	product_name character varying (35)	total_orders bigint	rank bigint
1	Ahmedabad	Cold Brew Coffee Pack (6 Bottles)	40	1
2	Ahmedabad	Coffee Beans (500g)	35	2
3	Ahmedabad	Instant Coffee Powder (100g)	26	3
4	Bangalore	Cold Brew Coffee Pack (6 Bottles)	197	1
5	Bangalore	Ground Espresso Coffee (250g)	167	2

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-- 8. Find each city and their average sales per customer and average rent per customer? --



-- 9. Calculate the % growth or decline in sales over different times periods (monthly) by each city. --

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-- Q9. Monthly sales growth --
      -- Sales growth rate : calculate the % growth (or decline) in sales over different time periods (monthly) by each city.--
     monthly_sales
187
     select
        extract(month from sale_date) as month,
          extract(year from sale_date) as year,
          sum(s.total) as total_sale
     from sales as s
      join customers as c
      on c.customer_id = s.customer_id
      on ci.city_id = c.city_id
      group by 1,2,3
      order by 1, 3, 2
      growth_ratio
201
      select
204
        city_name,
        lag(total_sale, 1) over(partition by city_name order by year, month) as last_month_sale
      from monthly_sales
```



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	city_name character varying (15)	month numeric	year numeric	cr_month_sale double precision	last_month_sale double precision	growth_ratio numeric
1	Ahmedabad	2	2023	4100	3750	9.33
2	Ahmedabad	3	2023	3050	4100	-25.61
3	Ahmedabad	4	2023	4040	3050	32.46
4	Ahmedabad	5	2023	2550	4040	-36.88
5	Ahmedabad	6	2023	2900	2550	13.73
6	Ahmedabad	7	2023	2800	2900	-3.45
7	Ahmedabad	8	2023	4300	2800	53.57
8	Ahmedabad	9	2023	8250	4300	91.86
Q	Δhmedahad	10	2023	10950	8250	22 72

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-- 10. Identify top 3 city based on highest sales, return city name, total sale, total rent, total customers, estimated coffee consumers. --

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224
      -- Q10. Market potential Analysis --
225
     -- Identify top 3 city based on highest sales, return city name, total sale, total rent, total customers, estimated coffee consumers.--
228
     with city_table
229
230
231
        Select
232
        ci.city_name,
233
        sum(s.total) as total_revenue,
234
        count(distinct s.customer_id) as total_cx,
235
236
        sum(s.total)::numeric/
237
                   count(distinct s.customer_id)::numeric
238
                   ,2) as avg_sale_per_cx
239
240
     from sales as s
     join customers as c
     on s.customer_id = c.customer_id
     join city as ci
     on ci.city_id = c.city_id
     order by 2
247
249
     select city name.
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251
      select city_name,
               estimated_rent,
252
               round((population * 0.25)/1000000, 3) as estimated_coffee_consumer_in_millions
253
               from city
254
255
      select
256
          cr.city_name,
257
          total_revenue,
258
          cr.estimated_rent as total_rent,
259
          ct.total_cx,
260
          estimated_coffee_consumer_in_millions,
261
          ct.avg_sale_per_cx,
262
          round (
263
          cr.estimated_rent::numeric/ ct.total_cx::numeric
264
          , 2) as avg_rent_per_cx
265
          from city_rent as cr
266
          join city_table as ct
267
          on cr.city_name = ct.city_name
268
          order by 2 desc
269
```

city_name	total_revenue _	total_rent	total_cx	estimated_coffee_consumer_in_millions	avg_sale_per_cx	avg_rent_per_cx
character varying (15)	double precision	double precision	bigint	numeric	numeric	numeric
Pune	1258290	15300	52	1.875	24197.88	294.23
Chennal	944120	17100	42	2.775	22479.05	407.14
Bangalore	860110	29700	39	3.075	22054.10	761.54
Jaipur	803450	10800	69	1.000	11644.20	156.52
Delhi	750420	22500	68	7.750	11035.59	330.88
Mumbai	235000	31500	27	5.100	8703.70	1166.67
Kanpur	213550	8100	35	0.775	6101.43	231.43
Surat	176540	13500	27	1.800	6538.52	500.00
Kolkata	171460	16200	28	3.725	6123.57	578.57

Recommendation

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-- Recomendation
city 1: Pune
1. Avg Rent per customer is very less
2. Highest total revenue
3. Avg_sale per cx is also high
City 2 : Delhi
1. Highest estimated coffee consumer which is 7.7 M
2. Highest total cx which is 68
3. Avg rent per cx is 330 (still under 500)
City 3 : Jaipur
1. Highest cx numbers
2. Avg rent per cx is very less - 156
3. Avg sale per cx is better which at 11.6k-- Identify
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Key Insights & Findings

The analysis of coffee sales data uncovered several meaningful patterns and trends:

- Hot coffee products outsell iced variants, indicating a stronger consumer preference for traditional brews.
- Espresso-based drinks are among the top-selling items, highlighting their popularity across customer segments.
- Sales peaked during colder months, showing a clear seasonal impact on demand.
- · The top five store locations contributing the highest revenue are located in urban and high-footfall areas.
- The most expensive item sold was a premium reserve blend, often purchased by repeat customers.
- Sales volume has shown consistent year-over-year growth, indicating a healthy and expanding market.
- Specific product lines, such as organic or specialty blends, performed particularly well in health-conscious regions.
- Few products contribute to a large share of total revenue, reflecting a classic Pareto distribution.
- High-volume customers typically purchase multiple items per transaction, often during promotional periods.
- · Regional analysis revealed that metropolitan areas drive the majority of revenue, while rural outlets show emerging growth.
- Drinks with descriptors like "Organic," "Cold Brew," and "Special Reserve" were tagged frequently, showing growing consumer interest in niche offerings.
- Some transactions lacked complete customer or employee data, pointing to areas for improved data capture.
- Certain categories like flavored lattes or seasonal specials showed sharp, time-bound spikes in demand.
- Store employees in top-performing locations tend to handle higher average order values.
- Keyword analysis of product names and descriptions revealed recurring themes tied to premium quality, sustainability, and flavor richness.

These insights demonstrate how SQL-powered analysis can provide valuable direction for sales strategy, inventory planning, and customer engagement in the coffee retail industry.

Conclusion

In conclusion, the analysis of coffee sales data reveals critical trends that reflect a strategic emphasis on high-performing products, seasonal demand, and regional preferences. Hot beverages and espresso-based drinks lead in sales, with specialty blends and organic options gaining popularity. Sales have shown steady growth over time, especially in urban regions, highlighting market expansion and customer loyalty. The data also suggests a concentration of revenue from a select range of products and locations, indicating opportunities for targeted promotions and inventory optimization. Additionally, thematic product descriptors and premium offerings are resonating well with customers. Overall, the insights gathered provide a strong foundation for data-driven decision-making in marketing, operations, and product strategy—ensuring continued business growth and customer satisfaction.

Tools & Technologies Uses

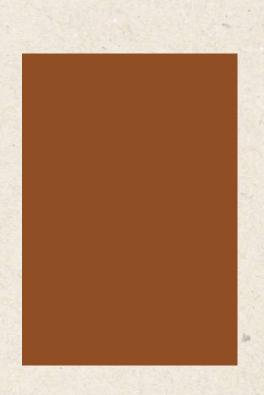
- SQL: Utilized to query and analyze coffee sales data, extracting key metrics such as product performance, seasonal trends, and regional sales distribution.
- Python: Employed for data cleaning, automation of SQL workflows, and advanced analytics such as customer segmentation and keyword-based product classification.
- Power BI: Used to build interactive dashboards and visualizations, showcasing insights like top-selling items, revenue trends, and location-wise performance.
- Excel: Applied for preliminary data cleaning, exploratory analysis, and managing smaller datasets for quick comparisons.
- Google Cloud Platform (GCP): Provided cloud-based storage and scalability for managing large volumes of transactional sales data.
- Jupyter Notebooks: Used for scripting and documenting the Python analysis process in a reproducible and organized format.
- AWS: Leveraged for running resource-intensive computations and scaling analytical processes on large datasets from multiple store locations.

Learnings & Outcomes

- Data Analysis and Querying: Gained practical experience in using SQL and Python to query and analyze large coffee sales datasets, strengthening data manipulation and analytical reasoning.
- Data Visualization: Built proficiency in tools like Power BI and Tableau to design interactive dashboards and visual reports that support data-driven business decisions.
- Cloud Computing: Enhanced understanding of cloud platforms such as AWS and Google Cloud for storing, processing, and analyzing large-scale transactional data.
- Product Categorization: Learned to categorize coffee products based on type, size, pricing, and region, leading to a deeper understanding of product mix and customer preferences.
- Trend Analysis: Identified key sales trends across time periods, including seasonal spikes, top-performing locations, and the growing demand for specialty blends.
- Time Management: Strengthened project management skills by overseeing the entire analysis lifecycle—from data cleaning to insight generation—while meeting defined timelines.
- Problem-Solving and Critical Thinking: Overcame challenges such as inconsistent data entries and missing fields, improving my ability to think critically and solve data-related problems efficiently.
- Technical Skills Enhancement: Advanced my technical knowledge of Python libraries such as pandas and numpy for data wrangling and deeper analytical modeling.
- Communication and Presentation: Improved the ability to present complex findings clearly and persuasively through visual storytelling using Power BI and Tableau dashboards

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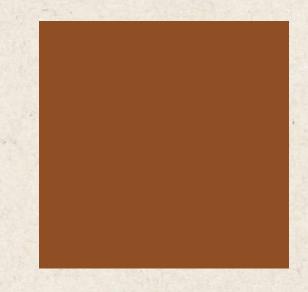
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Thank you for taking the time to review my work. Best regards,
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