SALES DATASET ANALYSIS Advanced Excel Project

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Project Objective

The main goal of this project is to examine sales data to find patterns, assess sales performance, and provide insights that help make better business decisions. I have created an interactive dashboard using Excel tools like Pivot Tables, Charts, and Slicers. This dashboard presents insights clearly and in a user-friendly manner.

Key Goal

- Analyze sales trends over time to understand growth and seasonal performance.
- Identify top-performing products and sales channels that bring in the most revenue.
- Evaluate how discounts and returns affect overall profitability.
- Build a dynamic dashboard that shows key performance indicators and allows for easy filtering and exploration of data.

Data Description and Preparation

Dataset Overview

- Total 9,995 rows of sales transactions
- Order Details: Row ID, Order ID, Order Date, Month, Year, Weekday, Ship Date, Ship Mode
- Customer Information: Customer ID, Customer Name, Segment, Country, City, State, Postal Code, Region
- Product Information: Product ID, Category, Sub-Category, Product Name
- Sales and Financials: Sales, Quantity, Discount, Profit, Adjusted Sales, Adjusted Revenue, Discount Value

Dataset Overview

- Removed duplicates based on Order ID and Product ID.
- Checked for missing values in fields like Profit, Discount, and Ship Mode.
- Standardized dates by creating new columns for Month, Year, Weekday, and End of Month.
- Validated calculations using check columns, such as Sales Check vs. Sales and Discount Check.
- Derived metrics like Adjusted Sales and Adjusted Revenue for deeper insights.

Before Clean Dataset

Row ID Order ID Order Date Ship Date Ship Mode Customer 1 CA-2016-1 8/11/2016 11/11/2016 Second Cla CG-12520 2 CA-2016-1 8/11/2016 11/11/2016 Second Cla CG-12520 3 CA-2016-1 12/6/2016 16-06-2016 Second Cla DV-13045 4 US-2015-1 11/10/2015 18-10-2015 Standard C SO-20335 5 US-2015-1 11/10/2015 18-10-2015 Standard C SO-20335

After Clean Dataset

Row ID	Order ID	*	Order Date	ΨÌ	Month	۳	Year	۳	Weakday	۳	Eomonth 3	~	Ship Date
5457	US-2015-15143	35	30/12/201	17	Decembe	er	20	17		6	12/31/201	7	03/01/2018
5458	CA-2017-16356	56	30/12/201	17	Decembe	er	20	17		6	12/31/201	7	03/01/2018
7633	US-2016-15772	28	30/12/201	17	Decembe	er	20	17		6	12/31/201	7	03/01/2018
7634	US-2016-15772	28	30/12/201	17	Decembe	er	20	17		6	12/31/201	7	03/01/2018
7635	CA-2015-10025	51	30/12/201	17	Decembe	er	20	17		6	12/31/201	7	03/01/2018
7637	CA-2016-12579	94	30/12/201	17	Decembe	er	20	17		6	12/31/201	7	03/01/2018
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Key Metrics Calculation and Data Analysis

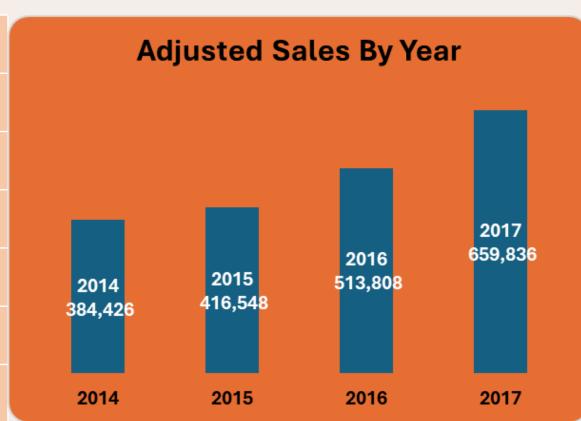
Important Calculations

Total Performance	Values	Formulas
Total Sales	₹ 2,297,201	(=SUM(Table1[Sales]))
Total Adjusted Sales	₹ 1,974,619	(=SUM(Sales_Dataset!AB2:AB9995))
Total Adjusted Revenue	₹ 1,974,619	(=SUM(Sales_Dataset!AC2:AC9995))
Total Order	9994	(=E2+E3+E4)
Average Sales Per Order	₹ 198	(=B3/B5)
Total Discount Value	₹ 198	(=SUM(Table1[Discount value]))
Total Discount Presentage	₹ 198	(=SUM(Table1[[#Data],[#Totals],[Discount]]))
Average Discount For Order	₹ 198	(=B7/B5)
Total Profit	₹ 198	(=SUM(Table1[Profit]))

Pivot Tables and Pivot Charts

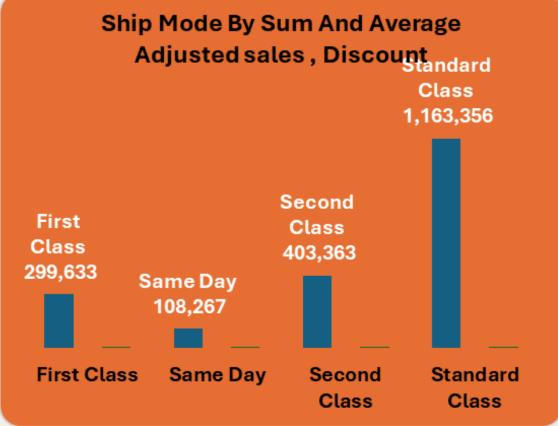
Adjusted sales Year

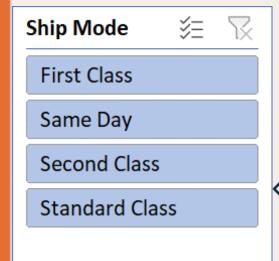
Years (Ship Date)	Sum of Adjusted
2014	374,182
2015	419,359
2016	517,169
2017	659,663
2018	4,246
Grand Total	1,974,619



Year	≋ 景
2014	
2015	
2016	
2017	

Ship Mode	Sum of Adjusted Sales	Average of Adjusted Sales2	Sum of Discount	
First Class	299,633	195	253	
Same Day	Same Day 108,267		83	
Second Class	403,363	195	270	
Standard Class	1,163,356	195	955	
Grand Total	1,974,619	195	1,561	





Adjusted sales Mode

Dashboard Overview

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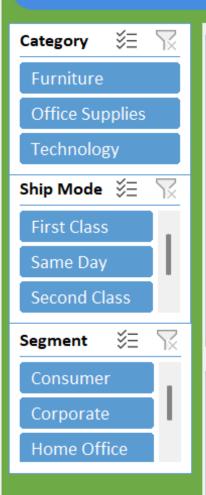






TOTAL DISCOUNT % 156109%



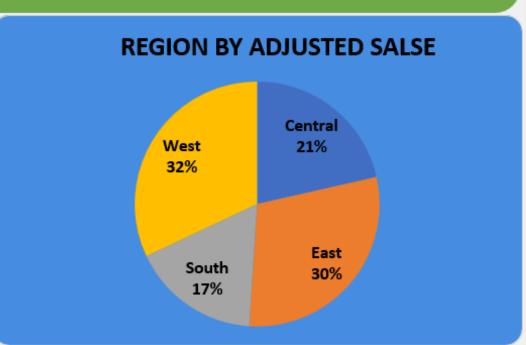




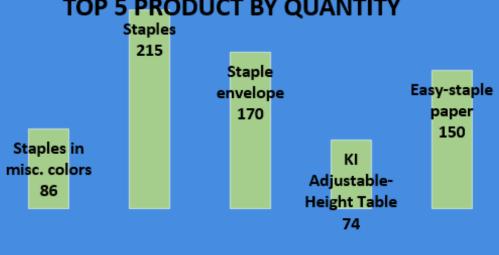




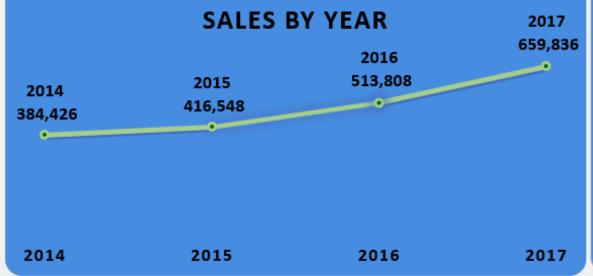




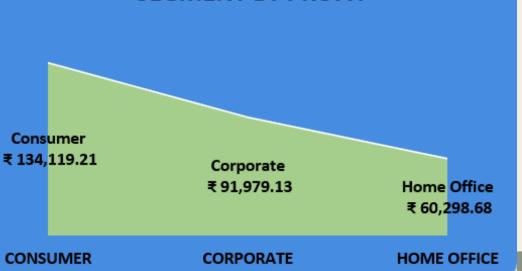
TOP 5 PRODUCT BY QUANTITY



PEAK SALES PERIOD ADJUSTED **SALES BY YEAR**

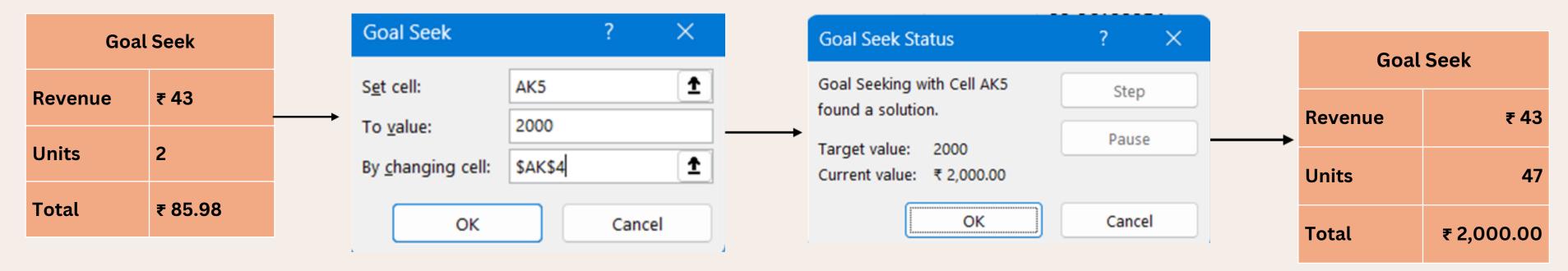


SEGMENT BY PROFIT



What-If Analysis & Goal Seek

Goal Seek



Scenario Manager

So		
sales	1	
disc	0	
total	₹ 1,974,619	

Scenario Sum	mary					
		Current Values:	increse	decrece dec	both	
Changing Cells:						
	Sales		11	1	11	
	Discount	0	0	-5	-5	
Result Cells:						
	Revenue	₹ 1,974,619	₹ 2,172,081	₹ 2,089,479	₹ 2,298,427	

Macros and Automation

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Navaneetha_krishnan_reinforesment.xlsx - Module1 (Code)
                                                                                                                            Macro1
(General)
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       Selection.Columns.AutoFit
       Columns("V:V").Select
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       Selection.NumberFormat =
           "_ [$?-en-IN] * #,##0_ ;_ [$?-en-IN] * -#,##0_ ;_ [$?-en-IN] * ""-"" ; @ "
       Columns ("X:X") . Select
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       Columns ("Y:Y") . Select
       Selection.Style = "Percent"
       Range ("AF19") . Select
   End Sub
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- Best-Performing Segment By Categories with the highest adjusted sales is Consumer in Sum Adjusted Sales at ₹ 1,161,401.
- Top Products by Quantity: Staples 215, Staple Envelopes 170, Easy-Staple Paper 150.
- Technology have higher average adjusted sales at ₹386, Office Supplies have lower average adjusted sales at ₹107.
- Regional Performance West accounts for 32% of sales, while East represents 30%, making them the strongest regions. South, at 17%, lags behind, showing untapped potential.
- Customer Segments Consumers are the most profitable, generating ₹134,119, followed by Corporate at ₹91,979.
- Home Office contributes the least with ₹60,298, indicating weak engagement.
- Discount Trends The total discount percentage (156109%) appears unusually high. This may suggest data entry errors or excessive discounting practices.
- Sales Over Time Sales have grown steadily year over year: 2014: ₹384,426, 2015: ₹416,548, 2016: ₹513,808, 2017: ₹659,836 There is a clear growth trend, with 2017 marking the peak year.



CONCLUSION

Through comprehensive data cleaning, analysis, and visualization, I uncovered critical insights that drive smarter business decisions:

- Standard Class dominates order volume, but heavy discounts on faster shipping are eroding margins.
- Consumer segment drives revenue, while Corporate delivers consistent profitability.
- The South region is underperforming in both sales and profit a key area for improvement.
- 80% of losses occur when discounts exceed 40%, especially on high-value items like 3D printers.

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