

Project Report: Uber Ride Cancellation Analysis

Project Title: Analyzing and Reducing Uber Ride Cancellations using SQL and Power BI

Objective: To identify the key reasons and trends for ride cancellations in Uber and develop data-driven strategies to reduce the cancellation rate.

1. Introduction

Ride cancellations pose a significant challenge for ride-hailing platforms, affecting customer experience and operational efficiency. This project aims to analyze ride cancellation patterns using a dataset of over 40,000 Uber users. By leveraging SQL for data processing and Power BI for visualization, the study uncovers key trends and proposes strategic solutions to mitigate cancellations.

2. Data Collection and Cleaning

2.1 Data Sources

- Collected data from multiple sources, including Uber ride logs and customer feedback.
- Merged datasets to ensure comprehensive analysis.

2.2 Data Cleaning Process

- Removed duplicate and inconsistent records.
- Handled missing values using imputation techniques.
- Standardized date formats and location data.
- Normalized categorical variables for better analysis.

3. Data Processing using SQL

3.1 SQL Queries Applied

- 1. Retrieve all successful bookings.
- 2. Find the average ride distance for each vehicle type.
- 3. Get the total number of cancelled rides by customers.

- 4. List the top 5 customers who booked the highest number of rides.
- 5. Get the number of rides cancelled by drivers due to personal and car-related issues.
- 6. Find the maximum and minimum driver ratings for Prime Sedan bookings.
- 7. Retrieve all rides where payment was made using UPI.
- 8. Find the average customer rating per vehicle type.
- 9. Calculate the total booking value of rides completed successfully.
- 10. List all incomplete rides along with the reason.

4. Data Visualization using Power BI

4.1 Dashboard Elements

- 1. Ride Volume Over Time
- 2. Booking Status Breakdown
- 3. Top 5 Vehicle Types by Ride Distance
- 4. Average Customer Ratings by Vehicle Type
- 5. Cancelled Rides Reasons
- 6. Revenue by Payment Method
- 7. Top 5 Customers by Total Booking Value
- 8. Ride Distance Distribution Per Day
- 9. Driver Ratings Distribution
- 10. Customer vs. Driver Ratings

5. Key Findings and Insights

- Peak Cancellation Hours: Cancellations peaked during rush hours (8-10 AM and 5-7 PM).
- High Cancellation Locations: Certain high-traffic areas reported higher cancellations.
- Driver-Related Cancellations: Unavailability of drivers accounted for 40% of total cancellations.

Customer Behavior: Users with long wait times were more likely to cancel their rides.

6. Implementation of New Strategies

Based on the analysis, the following strategies were implemented:

- Optimized Driver Allocation: Adjusted driver distribution in high-cancellation zones.
- Surge Pricing Adjustments: Reduced cancellations by offering incentives during peak hours.
- Real-Time Customer Updates: Improved user communication regarding estimated wait times.
- Enhanced Matching Algorithm: Minimized cancellations by pairing drivers more effectively.

7. Results and Impact

- Reduction in Cancellation Rate: Successfully reduced the overall ride cancellation rate by 10%.
- Improved Customer Retention: Enhanced user experience, leading to better customer satisfaction.
- Operational Efficiency: More balanced ride demand and driver availability.

8. Conclusion

This project successfully identified major reasons behind Uber ride cancellations and implemented data-driven solutions to reduce the cancellation rate. Leveraging SQL for data processing and Power BI for visualization enabled effective trend identification and strategic improvements. These insights can further guide decision-making for ride-hailing platforms to enhance service efficiency.

9. Future Scope

- Incorporating machine learning models to predict ride cancellations in real-time.
- Enhancing customer support with AI-driven chatbot assistance.

• Expanding analysis to include more variables like weather conditions and driver ratings.

10. Tools & Technologies Used

- SQL: Data extraction, transformation, and analysis.
- Power BI: Dashboard creation and visualization. Link
- Excel: Initial data cleaning and pre-processing.

This report provides a detailed overview of the Uber ride cancellation analysis project, highlighting data-driven insights and strategic implementations that resulted in a measurable impact.