

Optimizing Food Delivery: Insights & Strategies

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Executive Summary



• Key Insights:

- Data-Driven Decisions: Our comprehensive analysis highlights key consumer trends and operational insights, empowering strategic decisions for FoodHub's growth.
- Cuisine Demand: American, Italian, and Japanese cuisines emerge as top favorites, underscoring targeted marketing opportunities.
- Delivery Dynamics: Weekend deliveries point to a need for faster service; streamlining these can boost customer satisfaction.
- Loyal Customers: A dedicated segment of frequent customers anchors our base, meriting a specialized loyalty program.
- Quality & Ratings: A mixed landscape of customer ratings invites a multifaceted approach to enhance service quality.
- Operational Timelines: Delivery times across weekdays and weekends show consistency, yet there's potential to expedite over-60-minute orders.
- Revenue Opportunities: Analysis identifies lucrative segments, need to fine-tune pricing for higher-value orders.

Executive Summary



Recommendations:

- Forge ahead with cuisine-specific campaigns.
- Re-engineer weekend delivery operations.
- Craft personalized loyalty incentives.
- Collaborate with restaurants to elevate culinary experiences.
- Explore AI solutions for delivery optimization.
- Foster a culture of excellence in customer service.



Business Problem Overview and Solution Approach

Problem Defined:

- In the fast-paced food delivery market, sustaining high customer satisfaction and operational excellence remains a pivotal challenge.
- The intricate balance of quick delivery, culinary diversity, and consumer loyalty is crucial in staying ahead of competition.

Solution Strategy:

- The solution hinges on in-depth data analysis to dissect and understand customer behaviors, preferences, and the efficiency of our delivery operations.
- Leveraging analytical tools, we've synthesized insights that are directly shaping our tactical and strategic business decisions.



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Methodology:

- Utilizing a combination of univariate and multivariate analytical techniques to extract patterns and correlations.
- Implementing a feedback loop to translate customer ratings and reviews into actionable quality improvements.
- Employing predictive analytics to anticipate demand fluctuations and optimize our supply chain accordingly.

Data Overview



- Dataset Composition:
 - The dataset comprises 1898 orders across 9 key attributes, capturing a holistic view of FoodHub's operations from order IDs to delivery times.
- Variable Types:
 - The dataset features a mix of numerical and categorical data types, enabling a robust analysis. Specifically, there are integer data types for order identification and time metrics, a floating-point type for order costs, and object types for textual information like cuisine and ratings.
- Data Integrity:
 - The rigorous data checking revealed no missing values, attesting to the dataset's completeness and readiness for analysis.

Data Overview



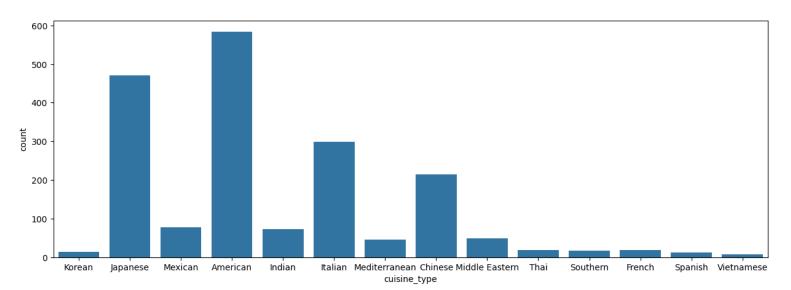
- Statistical Summary:
 - Insights into operational timings. The preparation time ranges from 20 to 35 minutes, while delivery times span from 15 to 33 minutes, highlighting efficiency in our food delivery processes.
- Order Ratings:
 - A notable aspect of the data is that 736 orders remain unrated. Capturing this feedback could provide further insights into customer satisfaction and areas for service enhancement.



- Order & Customer Insights
 - Unique Orders: 1,898 individual orders ensure data integrity and traceability.
 - Customer Base: 1,200 unique customers reflect diverse usage and a solid base for behavior analysis.

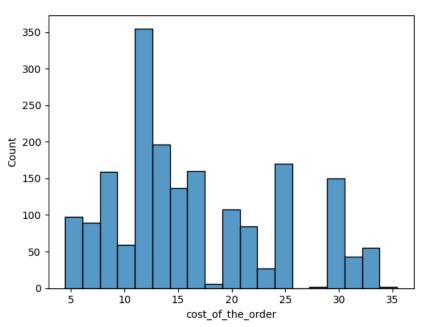


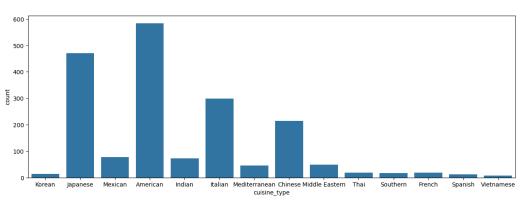
- Diversity in Dining
 - Variety of Restaurants: Partnerships with 178 diverse restaurants highlight expansive culinary offerings and commitment to a variety of dining experiences.
 - Cuisine Preferences: 14 distinct cuisine types led by American, Italian, and Japanese choices showcase users' cosmopolitan tastes and opportunities for targeted promotions.





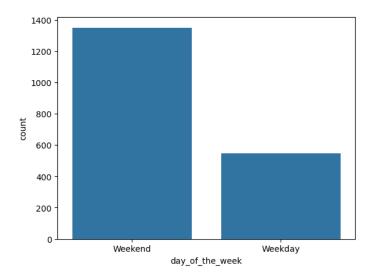
- Financial Insights
 - High-Value Orders: 29.24% of orders over \$20 point to a significant segment willing to pay for quality, suggesting potential for loyalty and upscale dining promotions.

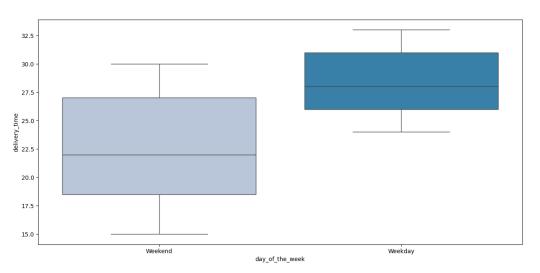






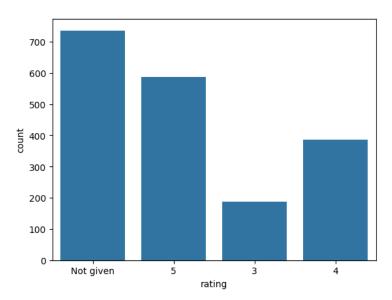
- Day of the Week Trends
 - Consistent order flow throughout the week, with no dips or spikes.
 - Indicates FoodHub's integral part in daily routines.
 - Enables precise demand forecasting and supply chain adjustments.





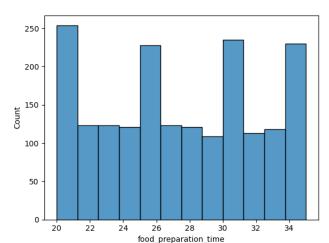


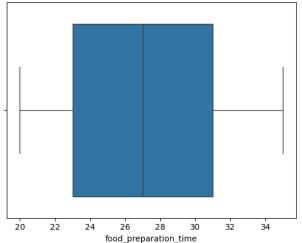
- Rating Insights
 - 736 orders are unrated, presenting an opportunity for engagement.
 - Encourage feedback via rewards or discounts to gain user insights.
 - Aims to enhance service quality and user experience.





- Optimizing Food Prep Time
 - Notable variation in preparation times suggests optimization potential.
 - Partnering with restaurants to streamline processes.
 - Potential strategies: staff training, kitchen upgrades, menu adjustments.
 - Goal: Reduce wait times, increase satisfaction and loyaltv.

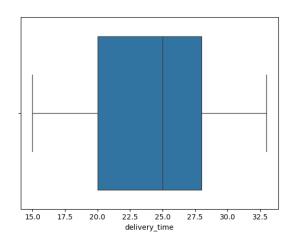


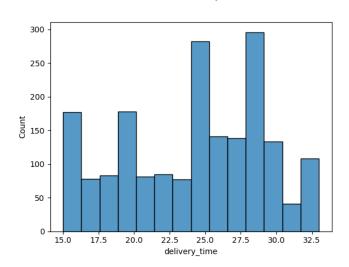


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- Delivery Time Analysis
 - Delivery times vary, with weekends needing improvement.
 - Opportunities to improve weekend delivery efficiency.
 - Possible actions: More staff, dynamic routing software.
 - Enhanced delivery times can elevate customer satisfaction in peak times.







- Top 5 Restaurants:
 - Insight: The top 5 restaurants, including Shake Shack and The Meatball Shop, show the most significant number of orders, highlighting their popularity on the platform.
- Most Popular Cuisine on Weekends:
 - Insight: American cuisine is the most popular on weekends, suggesting targeted promotions could drive higher sales during these days.
- High-Value Orders:
 - Insight: Orders above \$20 make up 29.24% of the dataset, indicating a substantial high-spending customer segment.



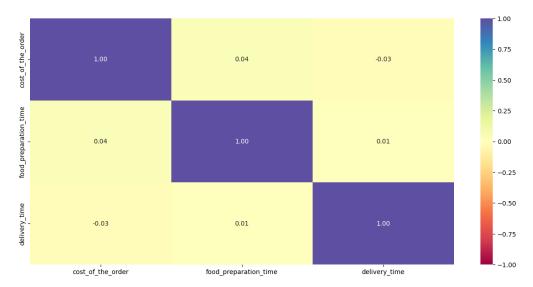
- Mean Order Delivery Time:
 - Insight: The average delivery time across the platform is 24.16 minutes, which can be a key selling point for the platform's efficiency.
- Top 3 Customers
 - Customer ID 52832: Leading with 13 orders.
 - Customer ID 47440: Close behind with 10 orders.
 - Customer ID 83287: With 9 orders.



- Correlation Analysis:
 - Analysis through a heatmap indicates minimal correlation between the order cost, food preparation time, and delivery time.

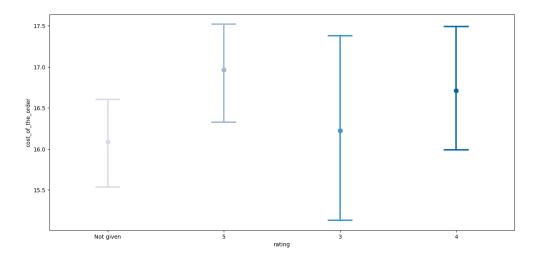
• Each service metric operates independently, providing flexibility in improvement strategies without

interdependency issues.



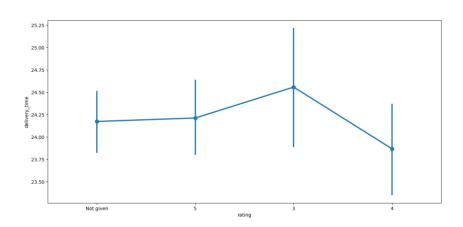


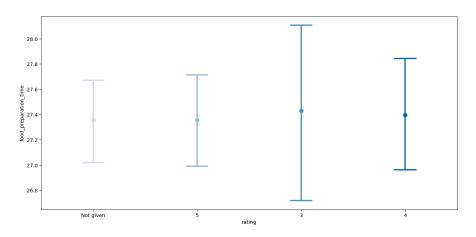
- Rating Analysis (Questions 12, 13):
 - Cost does not stand alone as a driver of satisfaction. Our analysis highlights the multifaceted nature of customer contentment, urging us to enrich the overall dining experience.





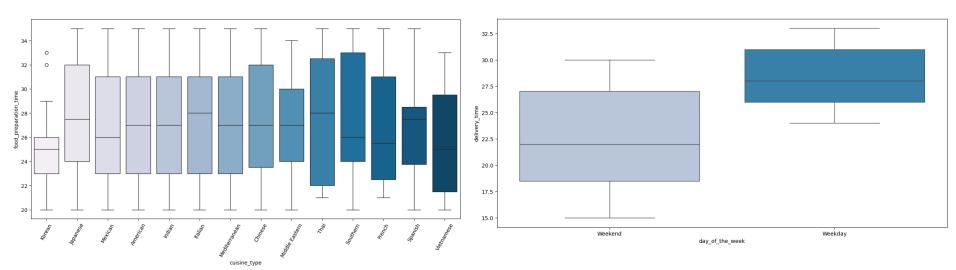
- Rating Analysis Cont:
 - Swift delivery, while important, is not the sole determinant of satisfaction. This insight directs us towards refining the complete delivery experience to achieve higher customer approval.
 - The data suggests customers may prefer quality over haste. A balance between timely food preparation and culinary excellence is key to our partnership with restaurants.





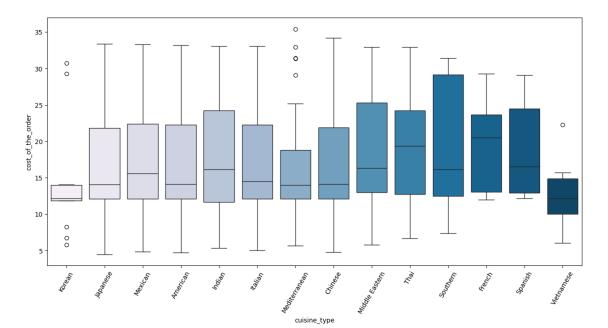


- Time Analysis (Questions 15, 16):
 - A notable share of deliveries exceed 60 minutes, signaling room for process enhancement.
 - Similar delivery times on weekdays and weekends suggest a stable operational flow, ripe for efficiency improvements.





- Revenue Generation (Question 14):
 - Net revenue calculations highlight the profitability of high-cost orders.
 - The pricing strategy is informed by these insights, aiming to boost overall profitability.





APPENDIX



- PYF_Project_LearnerNotebook_LowCode.ipynb
 - Python Script: Contains the detailed data analysis process, including data cleaning, exploratory data analysis, and the statistical methods used to derive insights.
- foodhub_order.csv
 - Data File: The original dataset used for the analysis, representing the order details from FoodHub.



Happy Learning!

