# Operations Support Analyst

Take home test (Sam Taylor)

# **Case Study Presentation**

(<u>Dataset</u>)

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You're an Analyst for a new company called Marañón (similar to Amazon), and you've been asked to prepare a presentation for both Sales & Operations that summarizes sales and operations thus far. The summary should include (at the very least) an overview of the company's current state, current customer satisfaction, and a proposal for 2-3 areas where the company can improve.

#### Here are some additional Facts:

- Pretend it is currently Sep-18, so you can ignore all data after this date.
- The company was founded in Jan-17, so you can ignore all data prior to this.
- The company is based in the USA, but it was founded in Brazil.
- You can presume that all orders have been delivered so ignore the order state field.
- All available data can be download from this hyperlink

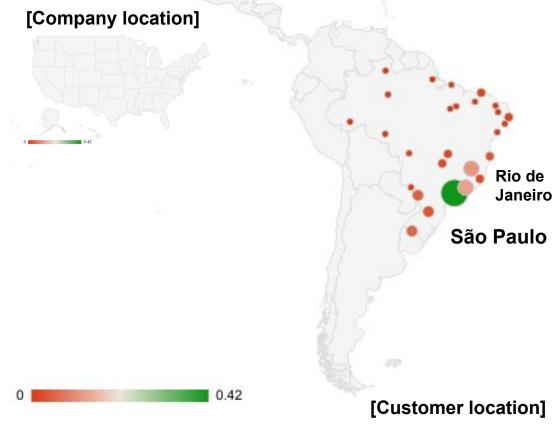
Your presentation should include no more than 10 slides of material, should last no longer than 20 minutes as well as contain a 5-10 Minute for Question & Answers slot.

**Tip:** Create a structure for answering the questions. If you're not sure what questions to ask, make some up for yourself. It dramatically simplifies the task of digging for data.





**Question:** Where are the company's customers located?





**Question:** How are the company's sales?

## Total sales vs. net revenue

(2017-2018)





**Question:** Which products sell best?

# Top selling products (2018)

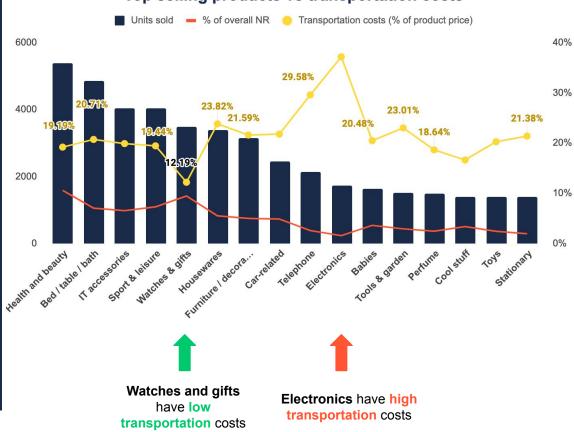


There's something happening with watches and gifts & electronics



Question: What's the relationship between units sold and delivery cost?

### Top selling products vs transportation costs

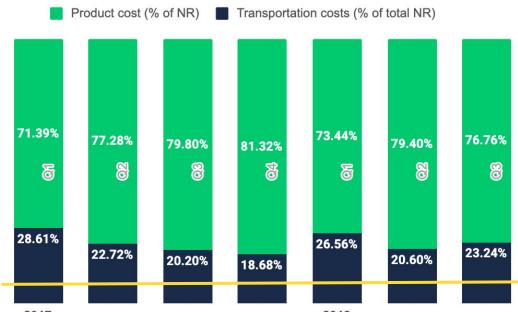




**Question:** What percentage of a product expenses is transportation costs?

Industry standard logistic costs (%)

# **Product price components**



2017 2018

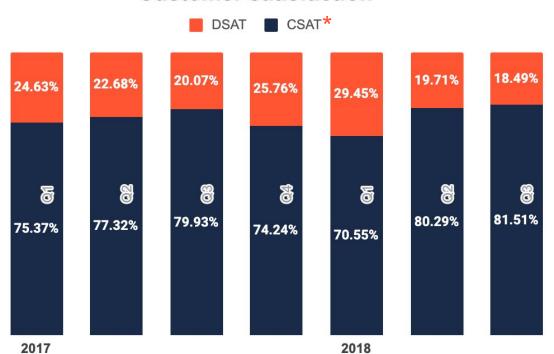
Company average logistic costs: 22.42%

Industry standard transportation costs: 11% - 20%



**Question:** How satisfied are the customers?

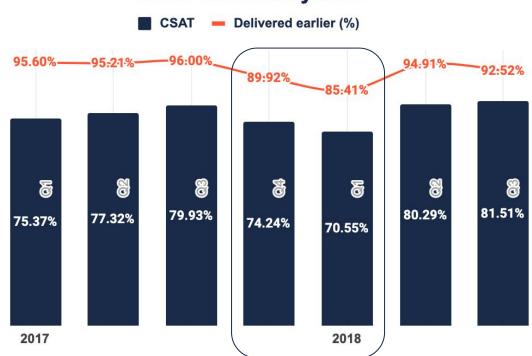
# **Customer satisfaction**





Question: Why is there a dip in CSAT in Q4 2017 & Q1 2018?

# **CSAT** vs Delivery time

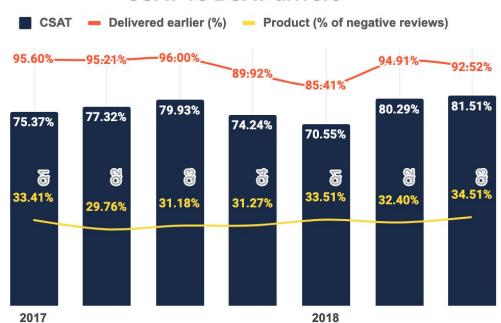




**Question:** What explains the average 23% remaining DSAT?

On average 32.30% of negative reviews are product related

#### **CSAT vs DSAT drivers**



(Q3 2018) **81.51** CSAT

Product-related: -6.38pt

Removal: 87.89% CSAT



**SUMMARY** 

- Company was facing increased demands of sales from 2017, quarter on quarter
  - Source: Product sales data
- The increased demands lead to decrease of SLA for on-time deliveries (KPI)
  - Source: Delivery times
- The company **outsourced** deliveries to cope with demands, reducing overall customer satisfaction (KPI)
  - Source: Delivery times & CSAT data & Customer review comments
- With more logistical overheads, the company worked to improve delivery SLAs (KPI), which raised CSAT (KPI)
  - Source: CSAT data & Customer review comments
- Product range very diverse: issues with delivery and quality of product
  - o Source: Product sales data vs. delivery costs
  - Source: Delivery % of total sales
- Company HQ (USA) ≠ customer base (Brazil) resulting in higher than industry average delivery costs
  - Source: Customer map & Product price components



**SUGGESTIONS** 

Set & maintain SLA for on-time deliveries (suggestion: ~95%).

QTD: (Q3 2018): 92.52%

Increase FTEs needed to hit the target

Example initiative to improve:

 A/B test to measure if extending the 'expected delivery' by X days increases CSAT and delivery SLA.

• **Set target for CSAT** (suggestion: ~85%)

o QTD (Q3 2018): 81.51

- Quality control on ~5% of orders leaving warehouse
  - To reduce ~32% product DSAT driver
- Work with QAs to categorise negative review comments & work to reduce the main drivers
  - Product issues
  - Logistical issues
  - Etc.

#### Open a warehouse in Brazil (São Paulo)

- 100% of customer base in Brazil
- 42% of customer base in São Paulo
  - **Aim:** to reduce delivery costs (% of overall order price)

#### Cut products that are not selling & focus on product quality

o Investigate the relationship between categories of product, delivery costs, return on investment.