

# Northwind Sales Analysis

## 1- Customer Segmentation:

### - RFM Analysis:

#### Query Explanation

We need to calculate days since last order, number of orders and total revenue for each customer, to get all these information I used join between two tables "Orders" and "Order Details". I used MAX function to return the date of last order and used JULIANDAY function that returns an integer value that represents a number of days then subtract it from current date, to calculate total orders I used COUNT function with Distinct to count unique orders, to calculate total amount spent I used SUM function and Cast function to transform the result from float to integer. Group by customerid to calculate all result for each customer.

I created another view and select from previous view to create an conditional columns by splitting the customers into three categories using CASE expression.

I wrote another query to calculate customers number in each segment by using "Customer\_Segments "view.

#### Queries:

```
create VIEW RFM_Analysis as

select o.customerid

, max(date(o.OrderDate)) LastOrder ,

, julianday(date('now'))- julianday(max(date(o.OrderDate))) Days_Since_lastOrders

, count(DISTINCT o.OrderID) TotalOrders

, cast((sum(unitprice*quantity*(1-discount))) as int) TotalAmountSpent

from orders o left join 'Order Details' od

on o.OrderID=od.orderid

group by 1

order by 1
```

## Customer segmentation

create view Customer\_Segments as

select customerid

, case

when Days\_Since\_lastOrders < 450 and TotalOrders> 190

and TotalAmountSpent > 5000000 then 'Champions'

when TotalOrders BETWEEN 160 and 190 or TotalAmountSpent

BETWEEN 4500000 and 5000000 then 'Potential Loyalists'

Else 'At Risk'

End Customer\_Segments

From RFM\_Analysis

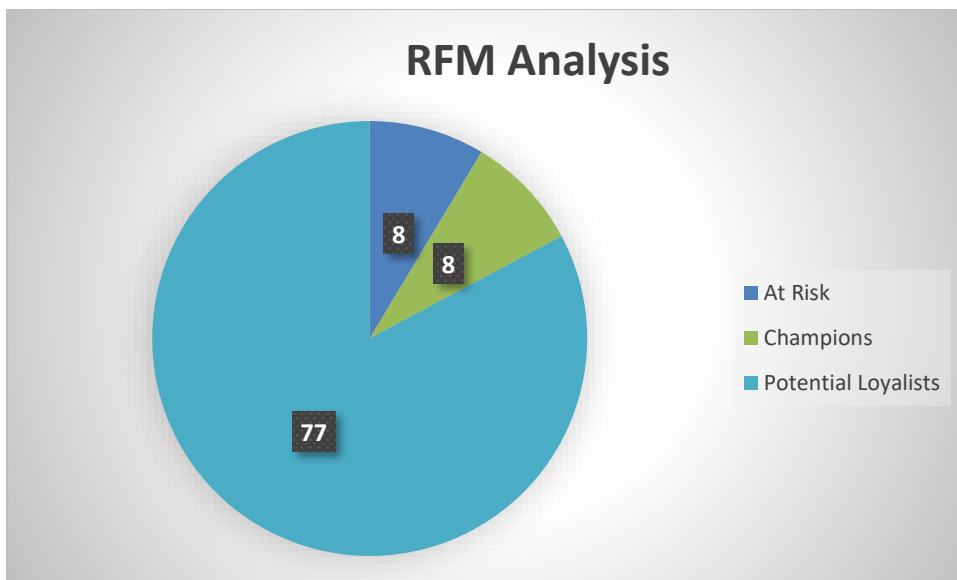
order by 2

| CustomerID | Customer_Segments |
|------------|-------------------|
| AROUT      | At Risk           |
| FURIB      | At Risk           |
| LETSS      | At Risk           |
| OCEAN      | At Risk           |
| RANCH      | At Risk           |
| RICAR      | At Risk           |
| TRAIH      | At Risk           |
| VINET      | At Risk           |
| ANATR      | Champions         |
| BSBEV      | Champions         |
| FOLIG      | Champions         |
| GOURL      | Champions         |
| HUNGC      | Champions         |
| LILAS      | Champions         |
| PRINI      | Champions         |

| CustomerID | Customer_Segments   |
|------------|---------------------|
| PRINI      | Champions           |
| TORTU      | Champions           |
| ALFKI      | Potential Loyalists |
| ANTON      | Potential Loyalists |
| BERGS      | Potential Loyalists |
| BLAUS      | Potential Loyalists |
| BLONP      | Potential Loyalists |
| BOLID      | Potential Loyalists |
| BONAP      | Potential Loyalists |
| BOTTM      | Potential Loyalists |
| CACTU      | Potential Loyalists |
| CENTC      | Potential Loyalists |
| CHOPS      | Potential Loyalists |
| COMMI      | Potential Loyalists |
| CONSH      | Potential Loyalists |

**Show customers number in each segment**

```
select Customer_Segments
,count( Customer_Segments) CustomersNumber
from Customer_categories
group by Customer_Segments
```



## - Insights

After calculating recency, Frequency and Monetary Value per customer and splitting the customer into 3 segments :

- **Champions** are customers that request last order in less than 450 days and total orders more than 190 and Revenue more than 5000000
- **Potential** loyalists are customers that request orders between 160 and 190 order or spent money between 4500000 and 5000000
- **At Risk** are all other customers

**Champions** are 8

**Potential loyalists** are 77

**At Risk** are 8

## - Order Value:

### Query Explanation

I used same approach in writing queries like in the RFM analysis

### Query:

**High-Value, Medium-Value, Low-Value customers based on their average order revenue value**

```
create view avarage_order_revenue as
select o.customerid
      ,count(distinct o.OrderID) TotalOrders
      ,cast((sum(unitprice*quantity*(1-discount))) as int) TotalAmountSpent
      ,cast((sum(unitprice*quantity*(1-discount))) as int) /count(distinct o.OrderID)
      avarage_order_revenue
from orders o inner join 'Order Details' od
on o.OrderID=od.orderid
group by 1
order by avarage_order_revenue
```

### customers segmentation

```
create view CustomerCategories as
select customerid
      , avarage_order_revenue
      , case
      when avarage_order_revenue < 26000 then 'Low-Value'
      when avarage_order_revenue > 29000 then 'High-Value'
      Else ' Medium-Value'
      End CustomerCategory
```

from avarage\_order\_revenue

order by 3 desc

| CustomerID | avarage_order_revenue | CustomerCategory |
|------------|-----------------------|------------------|
| SAVEA      | 23789                 | Low-Value        |
| ERNSH      | 24288                 | Low-Value        |
| ALFKI      | 24328                 | Low-Value        |
| QUEDE      | 25196                 | Low-Value        |
| LEHMS      | 25205                 | Low-Value        |
| LAMAI      | 25274                 | Low-Value        |
| LINOD      | 25407                 | Low-Value        |
| WHITC      | 25479                 | Low-Value        |
| FOLKO      | 25521                 | Low-Value        |
| LONEP      | 25896                 | Low-Value        |
| NORTS      | 25933                 | Low-Value        |
| FAMIA      | 29141                 | High-Value       |
| BSBEV      | 29305                 | High-Value       |
| THEBI      | 29456                 | High-Value       |
| SANTG      | 29504                 | High-Value       |

| CustomerID | avarage_order_revenue | CustomerCategory |
|------------|-----------------------|------------------|
| THECR      | 29748                 | High-Value       |
| PARIS      | 29850                 | High-Value       |
| PERIC      | 30010                 | High-Value       |
| MORGK      | 30051                 | High-Value       |
| Val2       | 30316                 | High-Value       |
| PICCO      | 30318                 | High-Value       |
| FISSA      | 30448                 | High-Value       |
| HUNGO      | 26001                 | Medium-Value     |
| KOENE      | 26108                 | Medium-Value     |
| OCEAN      | 26357                 | Medium-Value     |
| REGGC      | 26395                 | Medium-Value     |
| ISLAT      | 26408                 | Medium-Value     |
| FURIB      | 26442                 | Medium-Value     |
| ANTON      | 26452                 | Medium-Value     |
| CENTC      | 26472                 | Medium-Value     |

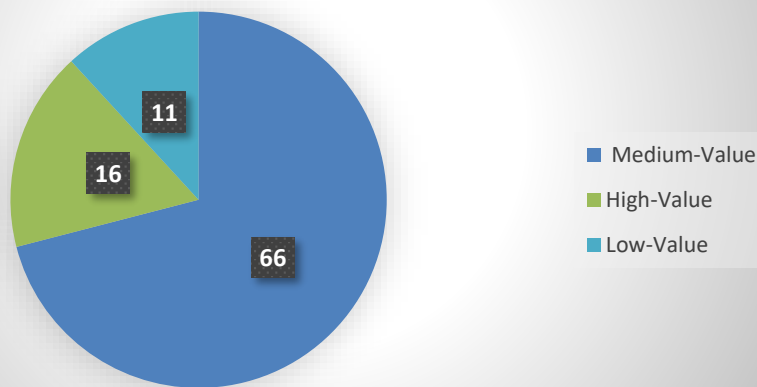
### Show number of customers per category

```

select CustomerCategory
count(CustomerCategory) CustomersNumber ,
from CustomerCategories
group by 1

```

## Customers distribution by Order Value



### - Insights

After calculating average order revenue value per customer by dividing total revenue over total orders

splitting the customer into 3 segments :

- **High-Value** are customers that have average order value more than 29000
- **Low-Value** are customers that have average order value less than 26000
- **Medium -Value** are all other customers

**High-Value** are 16

**Medium-Value** are 72

**Low-Value** are 11



## **Recommendations**

- Providing more data or seek the feedback of “At Risk “ to understand what keeps them loyal , what can be improved and why they have not requested orders for along time.
- Suggest premium products or complementary items on ‘Low-Value’ to increase their average order value.
- Offer incentives for ‘Potential loyalist’, such as discounts on their favorite products or free shipping for repeat purchases, and analyze their purchase history to send personalized product recommendations and limited-time offers.

## 2- Product Analysis:

### - The top 10 revenue generator products

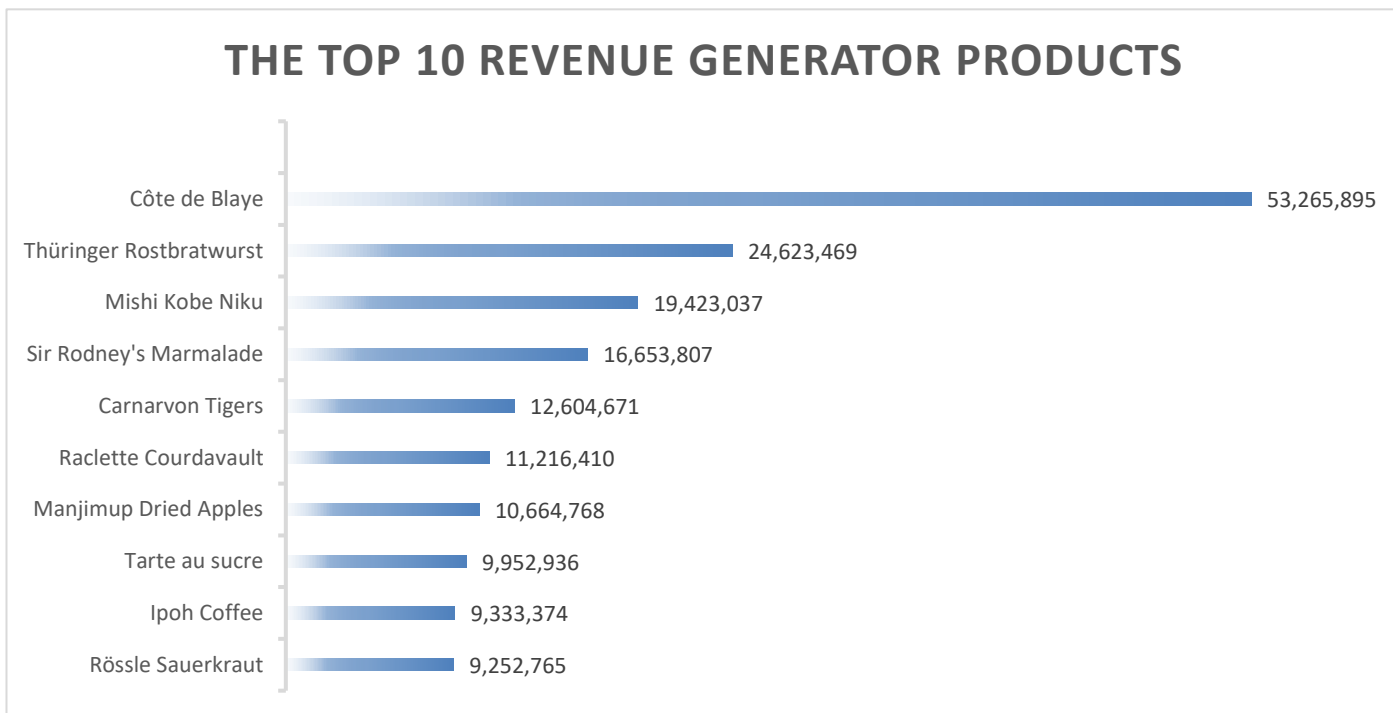
#### Query Explanation

I used inner join between two tables "Products" and "Order Details" to select sold products, select product name and calculate revenue using formula (unitprice\*quantity(1-discount)), group by product name to calculate revenue for each product, and order the result by revenue from max to min and show the first 10 rows by using limit 10.

#### Query:

```
create view products_with_high_revenue as  
  
select p.productname  
  
,cast(sum(od.unitprice*od.quantity*(1-od.discount)) as int) as TotalRevenue  
  
from Products p inner join 'Order Details' od  
  
on p.ProductID= od.productid  
  
group by 1  
  
order by TotalRevenue DESC  
  
limit 10
```

| ProductName             | TotalRevenue |
|-------------------------|--------------|
| Côte de Blaye           | 53265895     |
| Thüringer Rostbratwurst | 24623469     |
| Mishi Kobe Niku         | 19423037     |
| Sir Rodney's Marmalade  | 16653807     |
| Carnarvon Tigers        | 12604671     |
| Raclette Courdavault    | 11216410     |
| Manjimup Dried Apples   | 10664768     |
| Tarte au sucre          | 9952936      |
| Ipoh Coffee             | 9333374      |
| Rössle Sauerkraut       | 9252765      |
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## -Recommendations

- Invest in promoting these products through targeted ads, social media campaigns, and email newsletters to maintain or increase their visibility.
- Ensure these products are always in stock by closely monitoring inventory levels

## **-The top 10 most frequently ordered products**

### **Query Explanation**

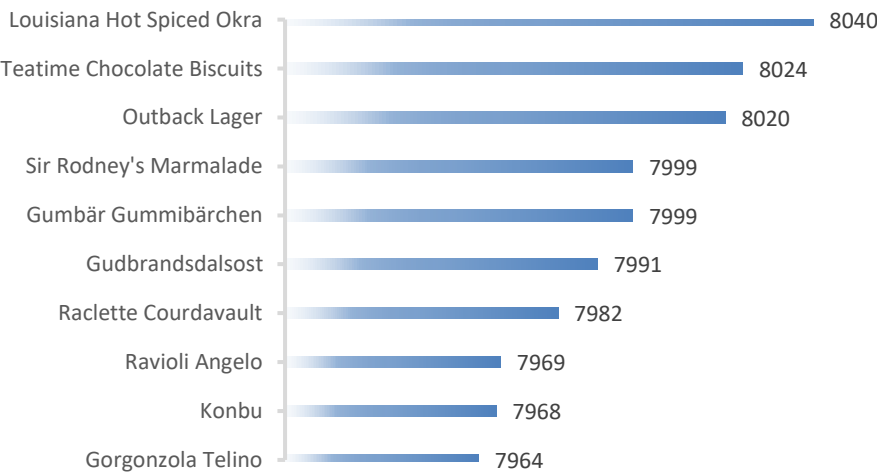
I used inner join between two tables “Products” and “Order Details” to select sold products, select product name and calculate total orders by count ORDERID, group by product name to calculate total orders for each product, and order the result by total orders from max to min and show the first 10 rows by using limit 10.

### **Query:**

```
create view products_with_high_sales as  
  
select p.productname  
  
count(distinct od.orderid) TotalOrders,  
  
from Products p inner join 'Order Details' od  
  
on p.ProductID= od.productid  
  
group by 1  
  
order by TotalOrders DESC  
  
limit 10
```

| ⋮ ProductName              | TotalOrders |
|----------------------------|-------------|
| Louisiana Hot Spiced Okra  | 8040        |
| Teatime Chocolate Biscuits | 8024        |
| Outback Lager              | 8020        |
| Sir Rodney's Marmalade     | 7999        |
| Gumbär Gummibärchen        | 7999        |
| Gudbrandsdalsost           | 7991        |
| Raclette Courdavault       | 7982        |
| Ravioli Angelo             | 7969        |
| Konbu                      | 7968        |
| Gorgonzola Telino          | 7964        |
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## THE TOP 10 MOST FREQUENTLY ORDERED PRODUCTS



## -Recommendations

-These products are popular but have lower prices, leading to higher order volumes but potentially lower revenue.

| ☰ ProductName              | UnitPrice |
|----------------------------|-----------|
| Louisiana Hot Spiced Okra  | 13.6      |
| Teatime Chocolate Biscuits | 7.3       |
| Outback Lager              | 12        |
| Sir Rodney's Marmalade     | 64.8      |
| Gumbär Gummibärchen        | 24.9      |
| Gudbrandsdalsost           | 28.8      |
| Raclette Courdavault       | 44        |
| Ravioli Angelo             | 15.6      |
| Konbu                      | 4.8       |
| Gorgonzola Telino          | 10        |

-Offer discounts for bulk purchases to encourage even higher sales volumes

-Create loyalty programs for frequent buyers of these products to drive repeat purchase

## - Slow Movers

### Query Explanation

I used same approach in previous query except ordering , order the result by total orders ascending from min to max and show first 5 rows by using limit 5.

### Query:

```
create view products_with_low_sales_volume as
```

```
select p.productname
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```
,count(od.orderid) TotalOrders
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```
from Products p inner join 'Order Details' od
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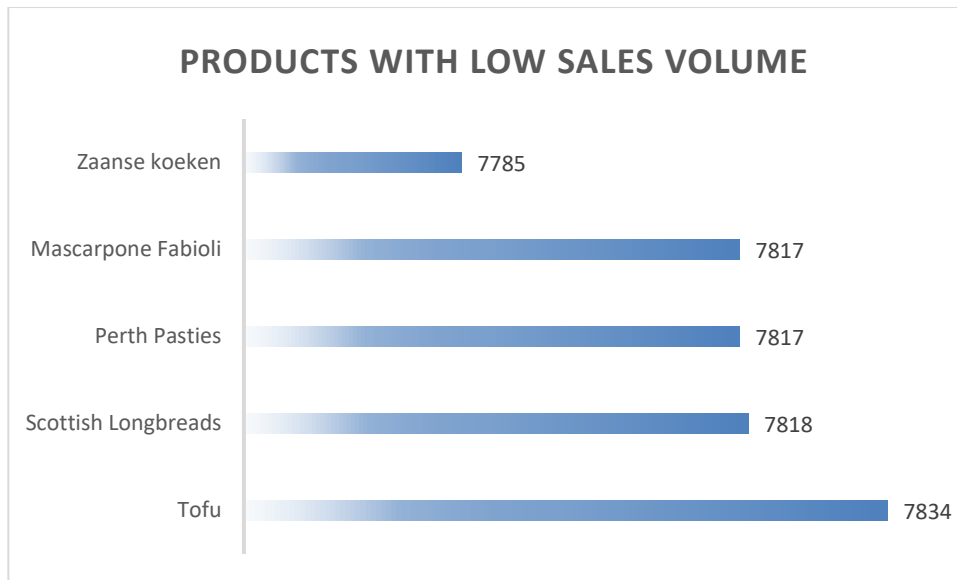
```
on p.ProductID= od.productid
```

```
group by 1
```

```
order by TotalOrders ASC
```

```
limit 5
```

| ⌵ ProductName       | TotalOrders |
|---------------------|-------------|
| Zaanse koeken       | 7785        |
| Mascarpone Fabioli  | 7817        |
| Perth Pasties       | 7817        |
| Scottish Longbreads | 7818        |
| Tofu                | 7834        |
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## **-Recommendations**

- Gather customer feedback to understand why these items are not selling well
- Offer discounts, flash sales, or include these products in bundles with top performers to clear inventory.
- Investigate reasons for low performance, such as pricing, quality, or lack of demand. Consider removing underperforming products or revamping them to better meet customer needs.
- Evaluate how these products are displayed on platform/store. Improve their visibility through better categorization and promotional banners.



### 3-Order Analysis:


#### -Seasonality

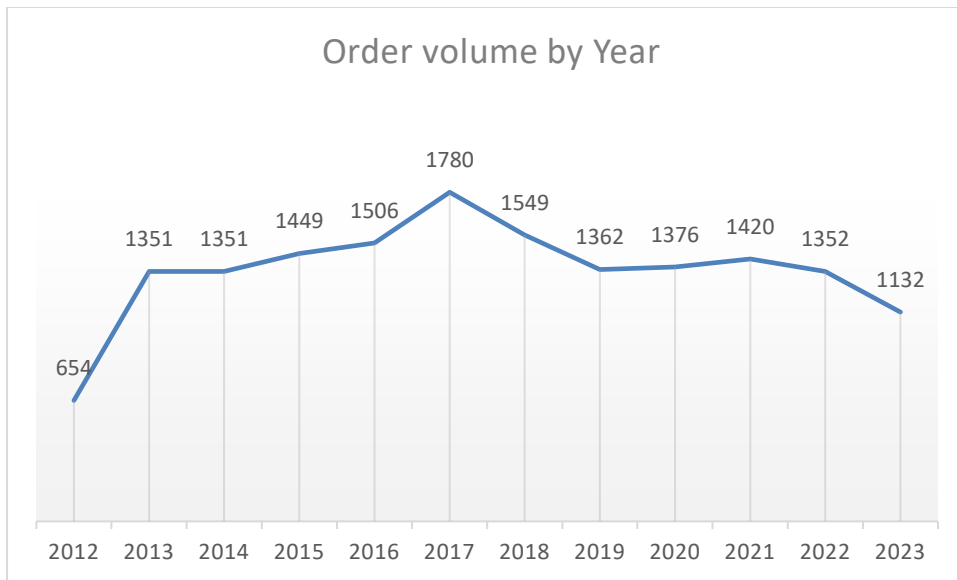
#### Query Explanation

I used STRFTIME function to extract the year from order date then calculate number of orders and group by years to summarize number of orders for each year.

#### Query:

```
select strftime('%Y',orderdate) Years
,count(DISTINCT orderid) NumberOrders
from orders
group by 1
```

|  Years | NumberOrders |
|---|--------------|
| 2012  | 654          |
| 2013  | 1351         |
| 2014  | 1351         |
| 2015  | 1449         |
| 2016  | 1506         |
| 2017  | 1780         |
| 2018  | 1549         |
| 2019  | 1362         |
| 2020  | 1376         |
| 2021  | 1420         |
| 2022  | 1352         |
| 2023  | 1132         |
|   |              |



## Insights & Recommendations

### 2016, 2017, and 2018 were peak years

-Examine campaigns, promotions, or strategies used during these years to identify what resonated with customers

## **-The most popular order days**

### **Query Explanation**

I used STRFTIME(“%W”) function to extract day of the week from order date, and used case expression to transform days from integer to string, then calculate number of orders column and group by day of the week to calculate number of orders for each day and ordered the result from max to min and select top 2 days by limit 2.

### **Query:**

```
CREATE view popular_order_days as

select

    case strftime('%w',orderdate)

    when '0' then 'Saturday'

    'when '1' then 'Sunday'

    'when '2' then 'Monday'

    'WHEN '3' THEN 'Tuesday'

    'WHEN '4' THEN 'Wednesday'

    'WHEN '5' THEN 'Thursday'

    'WHEN '6' THEN 'Friday'

    End   Day_of_the_week

,count(DISTINCT orderid) NumberOrders

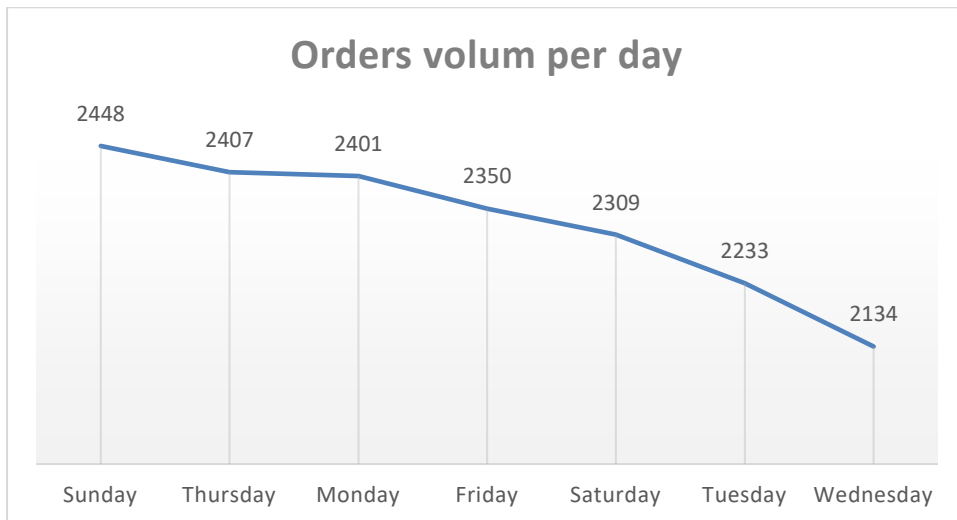
from orders

group by Day_of_the_week

order by NumberOrders DESC

Limit 2
```

| Day_of_the_week | NumberOrders |
|-----------------|--------------|
| Sunday          | 2448         |
| Thursday        | 2407         |
|                 |              |
|                 |              |



## Insights & Recommendations

Days **Sunday** and **Thursday** are the most days have orders and **Wednesday** is the lowest day in the week

-Schedule flash sales, discounts, and promotional campaigns Sunday and Thursday to maximize revenue.

- Use social media and email marketing to remind customers of special offers on these days.

## -The distribution of order quantities

### Query Explanation

select order id from order details table and calculate sum of units sold for each order id by using SUM(quantity)

### Query:

```
select orderid
,sum(quantity) Units_Sold
from 'Order Details'
group by 1
order by Units_Sold DESC
```

| OrderId | Units_Sold |
|---------|------------|
| 13460   | 2308       |
| 17596   | 2283       |
| 13372   | 2258       |
| 13466   | 2233       |
| 25679   | 2205       |
| 18304   | 2203       |
| 21461   | 2195       |
| 22571   | 2195       |
| 17988   | 2191       |
| 23146   | 2190       |
| 14724   | 2188       |
| 14634   | 2187       |
| 23186   | 2183       |
| 19294   | 2176       |
| 19689   | 2176       |
| 19413   | 2171       |
| 11487   | 2170       |
| 11890   | 2168       |
| 21692   | 2167       |
| 25500   | 2166       |
| 13450   | 2163       |
| 16186   | 2163       |
| 17455   | 2162       |
| 23766   | 2159       |

The result is 16283 rows

This table contain of Top\_30\_order  
in terms of units sold

### -Recommendations

- For low-quantity orders, consider offering free shipping thresholds or volume discounts to encourage larger purchases
- For bulk orders, create special pricing tiers or loyalty programs to retain high-value customers

### 3-Employee Performance

#### - Total Revenue Generated

#### Query Explanation

I used inner join between two tables “Employees” and “order details” to Select employees who made revenue, I used CONCAT function to merge first name and last name in one string, group by full name to summarize total revenue for each employee and show result of revenue as integer number using function CAST, order the result by total revenue from max to min .

#### Query:

```
create view Total_Revenue_Generated as

select concat(e.FirstName,' ', e.LastName) FullName
,cast( sum(od.unitprice*od.quantity*(1-od.discount)) as int) TotalRevenue

from Employees e inner join orders o
on e.EmployeeID=o.EmployeeID inner join 'Order Details' od
on o.OrderID=od.orderid

group by FullName

order by TotalRevenue desc
```

| FullName         | TotalRevenue |
|------------------|--------------|
| Margaret Peacock | 51488395     |
| Steven Buchanan  | 51386459     |
| Janet Leverling  | 50445573     |
| Nancy Davolio    | 49659423     |
| Robert King      | 49651899     |
| Laura Callahan   | 49281136     |
| Michael Suyama   | 49139966     |
| Anne Dodsworth   | 49019678     |
| Andrew Fuller    | 48314100     |

## - Total Sales Volume

### Query Explanation

I used same previous approach in writing the query except count of total orders instead sum of revenue

### Query:

```
create view Total_Sales_Volume as  
  
select concat(e.FirstName,' ', e.LastName) FullName  
  
count(DISTINCT o.OrderID) TotalOrders ,  
  
from Employees e inner join orders o  
  
on e.EmployeeID=o.EmployeeID  
  
group by FullName  
  
order by TotalOrders desc
```

| FullName         | TotalOrders |
|------------------|-------------|
| Margaret Peacock | 1908        |
| Nancy Davolio    | 1846        |
| Janet Leverling  | 1846        |
| Steven Buchanan  | 1804        |
| Laura Callahan   | 1798        |
| Robert King      | 1789        |
| Andrew Fuller    | 1771        |
| Anne Dodsworth   | 1766        |
| Michael Suyama   | 1754        |
|                  |             |

## - Average order value

### Query Explanation

I used same previous approach in writing the query except calculating average order value by division sum of revenue over count of orders.

### Query:

```
create view Average_order_value as

select concat(e.FirstName, ' ', e.LastName) FullName

cast(sum(od.unitprice*od.quantity*(1-od.discount)) / count(DISTINCT

o.OrderID) as int) Average_order_value

from Employees e inner join orders o

on e.EmployeeID=o.EmployeeID inner join 'Order Details' od

on o.OrderID=od.orderid

group by FullName
```

| FullName         | Average_order_value |
|------------------|---------------------|
| Andrew Fuller    | 27280               |
| Anne Dodsworth   | 27757               |
| Janet Leverling  | 27326               |
| Laura Callahan   | 27408               |
| Margaret Peacock | 26985               |
| Michael Suyama   | 28015               |
| Nancy Davolio    | 26901               |
| Robert King      | 27753               |
| Steven Buchanan  | 28484               |
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## - Employee Performance Analysis in one Query

### Query Explanation

Also we can analyze employees performance in one query and I prefer this solution.

Because the information in different two tables ORDERS and EMPLOYEES so I used inner join to select employees who have orders and revenue. Group by full name to summarize the result of Revenue, total orders and average order value for each employee.

### Query:

```
create view Employee_Performance as

select concat(e.FirstName, ' ', e.LastName) FullName

, cast(sum(od.unitprice*od.quantity*(1-od.discount)) as int) TotalRevenue

, count(DISTINCT o.OrderID) TotalOrders,

cast(sum(od.unitprice*od.quantity*(1-od.discount)) / count(DISTINCT o.OrderID) as

int) Average_order_value

from Employees e inner join orders o

on e.EmployeeID=o.EmployeeID inner join 'Order Details' od

on o.OrderID=od.orderid

group by FullName
```

| FullName         | TotalRevenue | TotalOrders | Average_order_value |
|------------------|--------------|-------------|---------------------|
| Andrew Fuller    | 48314100     | 1771        | 27280               |
| Anne Dodsworth   | 49019678     | 1766        | 27757               |
| Janet Leverling  | 50445573     | 1846        | 27326               |
| Laura Callahan   | 49281136     | 1798        | 27408               |
| Margaret Peacock | 51488395     | 1908        | 26985               |
| Michael Suyama   | 49139966     | 1754        | 28015               |
| Nancy Davolio    | 49659423     | 1846        | 26901               |
| Robert King      | 49651899     | 1789        | 27753               |
| Steven Buchanan  | 51386459     | 1804        | 28484               |

## **- Insights**

- “Margaret Peacock” and “Steven Buchanan” are the top employees in revenue generated, and “Andrew Fuller” is the lowest employee
- “Margaret Peacock” is top employee in terms of number of orders, and “Michael Suyama” is the lowest employee

## **- Recommendations**

- Recognize top-performing employees and analyze their methods. Share best practices across the team to uplift others
- Provide targeted training programs for underperforming employees to improve their skills in sales, customer engagement, or operational tasks
- Keep employees motivated by fostering a positive work environment, providing career growth opportunities, and maintaining open communication