

# Business Case Study: Target SQL

## Understanding the data

All the 8 data sets were uploaded in Big query and the customer data has been initially analysed.

The data is available in 8 csv files:

1. customers.csv
2. sellers.csv
3. order\_items.csv
4. geolocation.csv
5. payments.csv
6. reviews.csv
7. orders.csv
8. products.csv

1. Import the dataset and do usual exploratory analysis steps like checking the structure & characteristics of the dataset:

A. Data type of all columns in the "customers" table.

```
SELECT column_name, data_type  
  
FROM `scaler-dsml-shw-06.Target.INFORMATION_SCHEMA.COLUMNS`  
  
WHERE table_name = 'customers'
```

Query results					SAVE RESULTS	EXPLORE DATA	
<	JOB INFORMATION	RESULTS	CHART	JSON	EXECUTION DETAILS	E	>
Row	column_name	data_type					
1	customer_id	STRING					
2	customer_unique_id	STRING					
3	customer_zip_code_prefix	INT64					
4	customer_city	STRING					
5	customer_state	STRING					

By understanding the accurate data types for each column in a table we can ensure accurate analysis of the data.

B. Get the time range between which the orders were placed.

```
SELECT Min(order_purchase_timestamp) as Start_datetime, Max(order_purchase_timestamp) AS end_datetime
FROM `Target.orders`
```

Query results			
<a href="#">SAVE RESULTS</a> <a href="#">EXPLORE DATA</a>			
<	JOB INFORMATION	RESULTS	CHART
JSON	EXECUTION DETAILS	E	>
Row	Start_datetime	end_datetime	
1	2016-09-04 21:15:19 UTC	2018-10-17 17:30:18 UTC	

By the results we can understand that the time period in which the orders were placed is between 2016-09-04 21:15:19 UTC to 2018-10-17 17:30:18 UTC which is more than 2 years.

### C. Count the Cities & States of customers who ordered during the given period.

```
SELECT C.customer_city, C.customer_state, count(C.customer_id) as customer_count
```

```
FROM `Target.customers` C
```

```
Inner join `Target.orders` O On C.customer_id = O.customer_id
```

```
group by 1, 2
```

```
order by 3 desc
```

Query results			
<a href="#">SAVE RESULTS</a> <a href="#">EXPLORE DATA</a>			
<	JOB INFORMATION	RESULTS	CHART
JSON	EXECUTION DETAILS	E	>
Row	customer_city	customer_state	customer_count
1	sao paulo	SP	15540
2	rio de janeiro	RJ	6882
3	belo horizonte	MG	2773
4	brasilia	DF	2131
5	curitiba	PR	1521
6	campinas	SP	1444
7	porto alegre	RS	1379
8	salvador	BA	1245
9	guarulhos	SP	1189
10	sao bernardo do campo	SP	938
11	niteroi	RJ	849
12	santo andre	SP	796
13	osasco	SP	746
14	santos	SP	713

There are around 4310 cities where the customers ordered, The Total order count is arranged in descending order to represent which city (Saopaulo) has the maximum ordered count.

## 2. In-depth Exploration:

A. Is there a growing trend in the no. of orders placed over the past years?

```
SELECT EXTRACT(year from order_purchase_timestamp ) as Years, Extract(Month from  
order_purchase_timestamp ) as Months, count(distinct order_id) as Total_orders
```

```
FROM `Target.orders`
```

Group by 1,2

order by 1,2

Query results				
JOB INFORMATION		RESULTS	CHART	JSON
Row	Years	Months	Total_orders	
1	2016	9	4	
2	2016	10	324	
3	2016	12	1	
4	2017	1	800	
5	2017	2	1780	
6	2017	3	2682	
7	2017	4	2404	
8	2017	5	3700	
9	2017	6	3245	
10	2017	7	4026	
11	2017	8	4331	
12	2017	9	4285	
13	2017	10	4631	

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Yes, Initially the order count was very less in 2016 but it increased rapidly by the end of 2017 and kept increasing/fluctuating until 2018.

However, it was less after Sept 2018 due to the fact that there was no sufficient data from 2018. But overall the sales trend is upward.

B. Can we see some kind of monthly seasonality in terms of the no. of orders being placed?

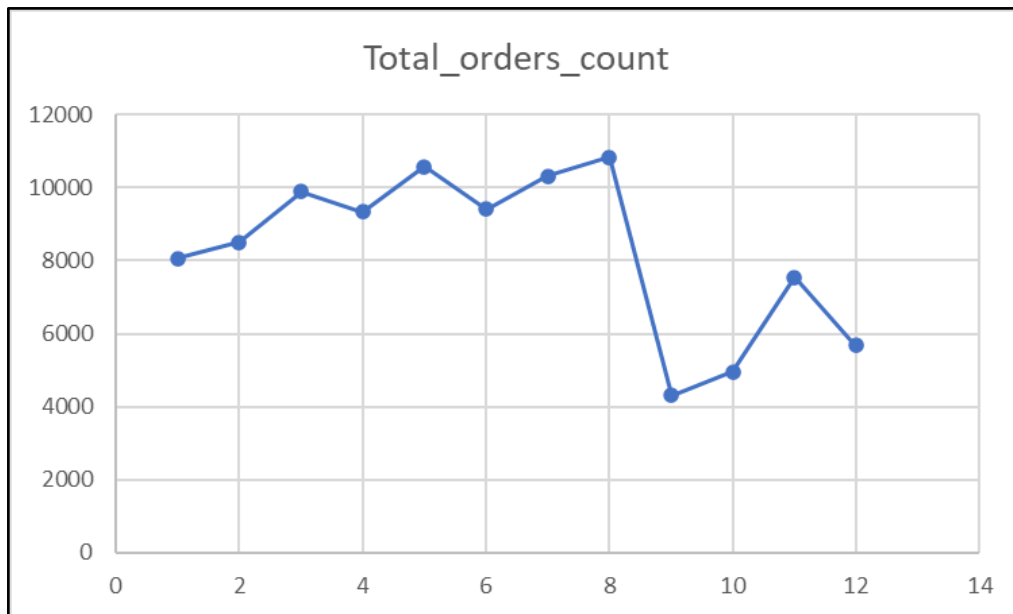
```
SELECT EXTRACT(month from order_purchase_timestamp ) as Month,count(distinct order_id) as  
Total_orders_count
```

```
FROM `Target.orders`
```

```
group by 1
```

```
order by 1
```

Query results				
JOB INFORMATION		RESULTS		CHART
Row	Month		Total_orders_count	
1	1		8069	
2	2		8508	
3	3		9893	
4	4		9343	
5	5		10573	
6	6		9412	
7	7		10318	
8	8		10843	
9	9		4305	
10	10		4959	
11	11		7544	
12	12		5674	



We see that the sales are most high in the months of May, July and August due to festivals in Brazil like Semana Santa in May. And overall the sales were high from January to September but went low after September.

Since the data is concluded till September 2018 we can see less order count after September.

C. During what time of the day, do the Brazilian customers mostly place their orders? (Dawn, Morning, Afternoon or Night)

- 0-6 hrs : Dawn
- 7-12 hrs : Mornings
- 13-18 hrs : Afternoon
- 19-23 hrs : Night

SELECT

CASE WHEN EXTRACT(HOUR FROM order\_purchase\_timestamp) between 0 and 6 then 'Dawn'

WHEN EXTRACT(HOUR FROM order\_purchase\_timestamp) between 7 and 12 then 'Mornings'

WHEN EXTRACT(HOUR FROM order\_purchase\_timestamp) between 13 and 18 then 'Afternoon'


WHEN EXTRACT(HOUR FROM order\_purchase\_timestamp) between 19 and 23 then 'Night'

END AS Time\_period, COUNT(DISTINCT order\_id) as Order\_count

FROM `Target.orders`

GROUP BY 1

Query results

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JOB INFORMATION		RESULTS	CHART	JSON	EXECUTION DETAILS	EXECUTION
Row	Time_period	Order_count				
1	Mornings	27733				
2	Dawn	5242				
3	Afternoon	38135				
4	Night	28331				

By Extracting the time from order\_purchase\_timestamp we divide time in 4 different periods Morning, Afternoon, Dawn, Night which helps us to analyse at what time the sales are more or less.

Brazilian customers tend to buy more in the afternoons and Mornings. Also it is understandable that the count is less in Dawn between 12 AM to 6 AM.

### 3. Evolution of E-commerce orders in the Brazil region:

#### A. Get the month on month no. of orders placed in each state.

```
SELECT C.customer_state,EXTRACT(Month from O.order_purchase_timestamp) as Months,count(*) Order_count
FROM `Target.orders` O
```

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Inner join `Target.customers` C ON O.customer_id = C.customer_id
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Query results

SAVE RESULTS

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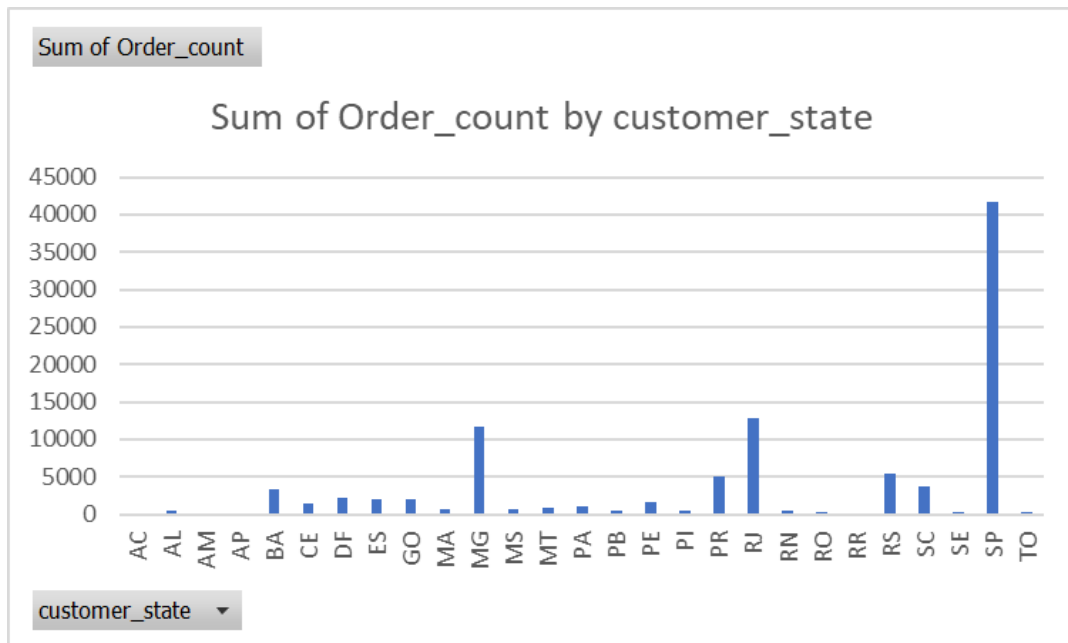
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Row	customer_state	Months	Order_count	
1	AC	1	8	
2	AC	2	6	
3	AC	3	4	
4	AC	4	9	
5	AC	5	10	
6	AC	6	7	
7	AC	7	9	
8	AC	8	7	
9	AC	9	5	
10	AC	10	6	
11	AC	11	5	
12	AC	12	5	
13	AL	1	39	
14	AL	2	39	

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Here we can see that SP has the highest number of order count overall as compared to other states.

## B. How are the customers distributed across all the states?

```
SELECT customer_state, count(customer_id) as Total_customers
FROM `Target.customers`
group by 1
order by 2 desc
```

Query results [SAVE RESULTS](#)

JOB INFORMATION	RESULTS	CHART	JSON	EXECUTION DETAILS	EXECUTION GR
Row	customer_state ▼	Total_customers ▼			
1	SP	41746			
2	RJ	12852			
3	MG	11635			
4	RS	5466			
5	PR	5045			
6	SC	3637			
7	BA	3380			
8	DF	2140			
9	ES	2033			
10	GO	2020			
11	PE	1652			
12	CE	1336			
13	PA	975			
14	MT	907			

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We can observe that Sao Paulo has the highest number of customers which is acceptable as Sao Paulo constitutes the heart of the Southeast, Brazil's most developed and populous region and is more economically productive.

#### 4. Impact on Economy: Analyse the money movement by e-commerce by looking at order prices, freight and others.

- A. Get the % increase in the cost of orders from year 2017 to 2018 (include months between Jan to Aug only)

```
with CTE AS(select*
    from `Target.orders` O
    join `Target.payments` P On O.order_id = P.order_id
    where extract(year from O.order_purchase_timestamp) between 2017 and 2018 AND
    extract(month from O.order_purchase_timestamp) between 0 and 8 ),

Temp AS( select extract(year from order_purchase_timestamp) as Year, sum(payment_value)
as cost
from CTE

group by 1
order by 1)
select*, ((lead(cost,1) over (order by Year) - cost)/cost)*100 as
increase_percent
from Temp
```

Query results				
JOB INFORMATION		RESULTS	CHART	JSON
Row	Year	cost	increase_percent	
1	2017	3669022.119999...	136.9768716466...	
2	2018	8694733.839999...	null	

The percent increase in the cost of orders from 2017 to 2018 is 136.97% henceforth we can conclude that the cost increase is reasonable and beneficial for Target, this data is calculated only for month January to August.

- B. , Calculate the Total & Average value of order price for each state.

```
SELECT C.customer_state, Round(AVG(I.price),2) as Average_price,
Round(SUM(I.price),2) as Total_price
FROM `Target.orders` O
JOIN `Target.order_items` I ON O.order_id = I.order_id
```



JOIN `Target.customers` C ON O.customer\_id = C.customer\_id

GROUP BY 1

Order by 3 desc

JOB INFORMATION		RESULTS	CHART	JSON	EXECUTION DETAILS	EXECUTION GR
Row	customer_state	Average_price	Total_price			
1	SP	109.65	5202955.05			
2	RJ	125.12	1824092.67			
3	MG	120.75	1585308.03			
4	RS	120.34	750304.02			
5	PR	119.0	683083.76			
6	SC	124.65	520553.34			
7	BA	134.6	511349.99			
8	DF	125.77	302603.94			
9	GO	126.27	294591.95			
10	ES	121.91	275037.31			
11	PE	145.51	262788.03			
12	CE	153.76	227254.71			
13	PA	165.69	178947.81			
14	MT	148.3	156453.53			

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We see that Sao Paulo has the highest value of total \_price but has the lowest Average\_price.

c. Calculate the Total & Average value of order freight for each state

SELECT C.customer\_state, Round(AVG(I.freight\_value),2) as Average\_freight\_price,

Round(SUM(I.freight\_value),2) as Total\_freight\_price

FROM `Target.orders` O

JOIN `Target.order\_items` I ON O.order\_id = I.order\_id

JOIN `Target.customers` C ON O.customer\_id = C.customer\_id

GROUP BY 1 order by 3 desc

Query results					SAVE RESULTS	
JOB INFORMATION		RESULTS	CHART	JSON	EXECUTION DETAILS	EXECUTION GR
Row	customer_state	Average_freight_price	Total_freight_price			
1	SP	15.15	718723.07			
2	RJ	20.96	305589.31			
3	MG	20.63	270853.46			
4	RS	21.74	135522.74			
5	PR	20.53	117851.68			
6	BA	26.36	100156.68			
7	SC	21.47	89660.26			
8	PE	32.92	59449.66			
9	GO	22.77	53114.98			
10	DF	21.04	50625.5			
11	ES	22.06	49764.6			
12	CE	32.71	48351.59			
13	PA	35.83	38699.3			

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Similarly, We see that Sao Paulo has the highest value of Total\_freight\_value but has the lowest Average\_freight\_value.

## 5. Analysis based on sales, freight and delivery time

- Find the no. of days taken to deliver each order from the order's purchase date as delivery time. Also, calculate the difference (in days) between the estimated & actual delivery date of an order.

SELECT order\_id,

Date\_diff (order\_delivered\_customer\_date, order\_purchase\_timestamp, Day) as time\_to\_deliver,

Date\_diff(order\_delivered\_customer\_date , order\_estimated\_delivery\_date, Day) as diff\_estimated\_delivery

FROM `Target.orders`

WHERE DATE\_DIFF(order\_delivered\_customer\_date, order\_purchase\_timestamp, DAY) IS NOT NULL

order by 2

Query results					SAVE RESULTS
JOB INFORMATION		RESULTS	CHART	JSON	EXECUTION DETAILS
Row	order_id	time_to_deliver	diff_estimated_delive		
1	e65f1eeee1f52024ad1dcd034...	0	-9		
2	bb5a519e352b45b714192a02f...	0	-25		
3	434cecee7d1a65fc65358a632...	0	-19		
4	d3ca7b82c922817b06e5ca211...	0	-11		
5	1d893dd7ca5f77ebf5f59f0d20...	0	-10		
6	d5fbedc85190ba88580d6f82...	0	-7		
7	79e324907160caea526fd8b94...	0	-8		
8	38c1e3d4ed6a13cd0cf612d4c...	0	-16		
9	8339b608be0d84fca9d8da68b...	0	-27		
10	f349cdb62f69c3fae5c4d7d3f3...	0	-12		
11	f3c6775ba3d2d9fe2826f93b71...	0	-11		
12	b70a8d75313560b4acf607739...	0	-9		
13	21a8ffca665bc7a1087d31751...	0	-11		
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When the difference of order\_delivered\_customer\_date and order\_estimated\_delivery\_date results in negative that means the order was delivered to the customer before estimated delivery date.(before time)

b. Find out the top 5 states with the highest & lowest average freight value.

## Top 5 states with highest average freight value

```

with CTE AS (SELECT C.customer_state, AVG(I.Freight_value) as Average_freight_value, SUM(I.Freight_value)
FROM `Target.customers` C
JOIN `Target.orders` O ON O.customer_id = C.customer_id
JOIN `Target.order_items` I ON O.order_id = I.order_id
GROUP BY 1 )
SELECT customer_state, Average_freight_value
from CTE
ORDER BY 2 DESC
LIMIT 5

```

JOB INFORMATION		RESULTS	CHART	JSON
Row	customer_state ▼	Average_freight_valu		
1	RR	42.98442307692...		
2	PB	42.72380398671...		
3	RO	41.06971223021...		
4	AC	40.07336956521...		
5	PI	39.14797047970...		

Target should improve management & logistics in these states so as to bring down the average freight value.

## Top 5 states with lowest average freight value

with CTE AS (

```
SELECT C.customer_state, AVG(I.Freight_value) as Average_freight_value, SUM(I.Freight_value)
```

```
FROM `Target.customers` C
```

```
JOIN `Target.orders` O ON O.customer_id = C.customer_id
```

```
JOIN `Target.order_items` I ON O.order_id = I.order_id
```

```
GROUP BY 1 )
```

```
SELECT customer_state, Average_freight_value
```

```
from CTE
```

```
ORDER BY 2
```

```
LIMIT 5
```

JOB INFORMATION		RESULTS	CHART	JSON
Row	customer_state ▼	Average_freight_valu		
1	SP	15.14727539041...		
2	PR	20.53165156794...		
3	MG	20.63016680630...		
4	RJ	20.96092393168...		
5	DF	21.04135494596...		

### c. Find out the top 5 states with the highest & lowest average delivery time

## Top 5 states with lowest average delivery time

```
SELECT C.customer_state, sum(timestamp_diff(order_delivered_customer_date, order_purchase_timestamp, day))/count(order_id) as Average_delivered_time
```

```
from `Target.orders` O
```

```
JOIN `Target.customers` C ON O.customer_id = C.customer_id
```

```
WHERE order_status = 'delivered'
```

```
group by 1
```

```
order by 2
```

```
limit 5
```

JOB INFORMATION		RESULTS	CHART	JS
Row	customer_state	Average_delivered_time		
1	SP	8.296659341744...		
2	PR	11.52671135486...		
3	MG	11.54218777523...		
4	DF	12.50913461538...		
5	SC	14.47518330513...		

## Top 5 states with highest average delivery time

```
SELECT C.customer_state, sum(timestamp_diff(order_delivered_customer_date, order_purchase_timestamp, day))/count(order_id) as Average_delivered_time
```

```
from `Target.orders` O
```

```
JOIN `Target.customers` C ON O.customer_id = C.customer_id
```

```
WHERE order_status = 'delivered'
```

```
group by 1
```

```
order by 2 desc
```

```
limit 5
```

	customer_state ▼	Average_delivered_time
1	RR	28.97560975609...
2	AP	26.73134328358...
3	AM	25.98620689655...
4	AL	24.04030226700...
5	PA	23.31606765327...

Target should improve logistics in these states to bring down the average time of delivery. We notice that states that have high average freight cost also have high average time of delivery.

D. Find out the top 5 states where the order delivery is really fast as compared to the estimated date of delivery.

You can use the difference between the averages of actual & estimated delivery date to figure out how fast the delivery was for each state

```

SELECT C.customer_state, sum(timestamp_diff(order_delivered_customer_date, order_purchase_timestamp,
day))/count(order_id) as Average_delivered_time,

sum(timestamp_diff(order_estimated_delivery_date, order_purchase_timestamp, day))/count(order_id) as
avg_estimated_delivery_date

from `Target.orders` O

JOIN `Target.customers` C ON O.customer_id = C.customer_id

WHERE order_status = 'delivered'

group by 1

order by (Average_delivered_time - avg_estimated_delivery_date)

limit 5

```

Row	customer_state ▼	Average_delivered_tj	avg_estimated_deliv
1	AC	20.6375	40.725
2	RO	18.91358024691...	38.38683127572...
3	AP	26.73134328358...	45.86567164179...
4	AM	25.98620689655...	44.92413793103...
5	RR	28.97560975609...	45.63414634146...

Top 5 states where the average estimated time is very fast as compared to average delivered time. Almost there is a gap of 20 days, Target should improve the accuracy of their estimated time algorithm.

## 6. Analysis based on the payments-

**A. Find the month-on-month no. of orders placed using different payment types.**

```
SELECT P.payment_type, extract(month from O.order_purchase_timestamp) as Month, count(distinct
O.order_id) as Ord_r_count
```

```
FROM `Target.orders` O
```

```
JOIN `Target.payments` P ON O.order_id = P.order_id
```

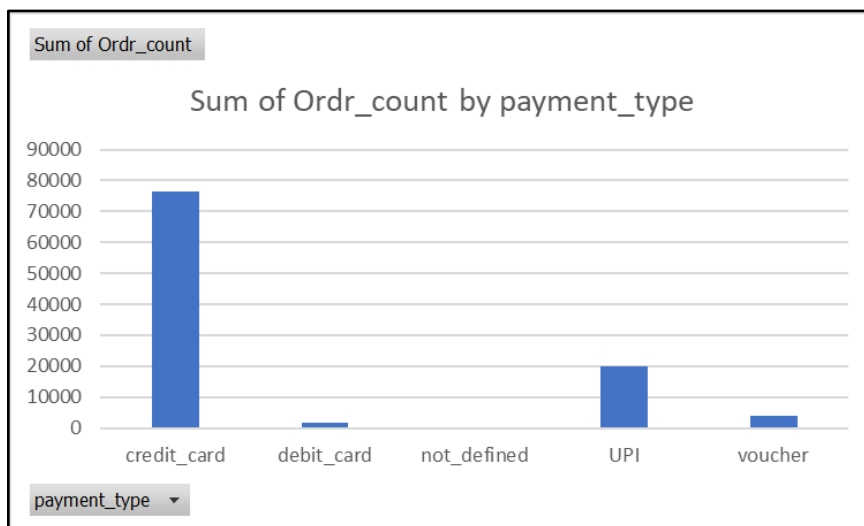
```
group by 1, 2
```

```
order by 1, 2
```

Query results					SAVE RESULTS	
JOB INFORMATION		RESULTS	CHART	JSON	EXECUTION DETAILS	EXECUTION GRA
Row	payment_type	Month	Ordr_count			
1	UPI		1	1715		
2	UPI		2	1723		
3	UPI		3	1942		
4	UPI		4	1783		
5	UPI		5	2035		
6	UPI		6	1807		
7	UPI		7	2074		
8	UPI		8	2077		
9	UPI		9	903		
10	UPI		10	1056		
11	UPI		11	1509		
12	UPI		12	1160		
13	credit_card		1	6093		

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We see that the number of orders are steadily increasing month by month for all the payment types, However the payments by Debit cards/Vouchers are very less as compared to other payment methods. They should plan to offer more discounts on Debit cards and provide more vouchers on previous purchases.

**B. Find the no. of orders placed on the basis of the payment instalments that have been paid.**

SELECT P.payment\_installments, count(O.order\_id) as Order\_count

FROM `Target.orders` O

JOIN `Target.payments` P ON O.order\_id = P.order\_id

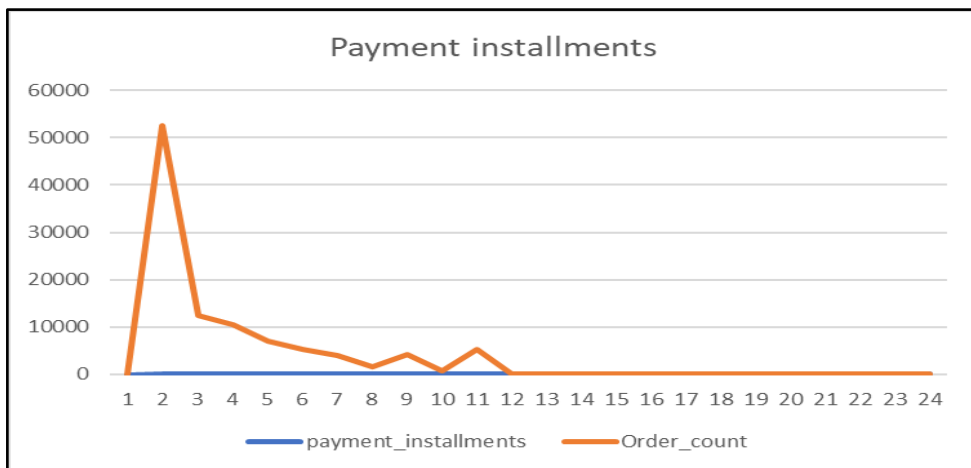
group by 1



order by 1, 2 desc

Row	payment_installment	Order_count
1	0	2
2	1	52546
3	2	12413
4	3	10461
5	4	7098
6	5	5239
7	6	3920
8	7	1626
9	8	4268
10	9	644
11	10	5328
12	11	23
13	12	133
14	13	16

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By the Result we observe that the most of order were purchased in single instalments, That is One time purchases are highest.

### Observations and recommendations(Insights)

- There are around 4310 cities where the customers ordered, The Total order count is arranged in descending order to represent which city (Saopaulo) has the maximum ordered count.
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- Since the data is concluded till September 2018, we can see less order count after September.

- By Extracting the time from order\_purchase\_timestamp we divide time in 4 different periods Morning, Afternoon, Dawn, Night which helps us to analyse at what time the sales are more or less.
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- Brazilian customers tend to buy more in the afternoons and Mornings. Also, it is understandable that the count is less in Dawn between 12 AM to 6 AM.
- We can observe that Sao Paulo has the highest number of customers which is acceptable as Sao Paulo constitutes the heart of the Southeast, Brazil's most developed and populous region and is more economically productive.
- The percent increase in the cost of orders from 2017 to 2018 is 136.97% henceforth we can conclude that the cost increase is reasonable , this data is calculated only for month January to August.
- When the difference of order\_delivered\_customer\_date and order\_estimated\_delivery\_date results in negative that means the order was delivered to the customer before estimated delivery date.(before time)
- Target should improve logistics in these states to bring down the average time of delivery. We notice that states that have high average freight cost also have high average time of delivery.
- Top 5 states where the average estimated time is very fast as compared to average delivered time. Almost there is a gap of 20 days, Target should improve the accuracy of their estimated time algorithm.
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