

## Project 2.1: Data Cleanup

### Step 1: Business and Data Understanding

*Provide an explanation of the key decisions that need to be made. (250 word limit)*

#### Key Decisions:

*Answer these questions*

1. What decisions needs to be made?  
To recommend the city for Pawdacity's newest store, based on predicted yearly sales.
2. What data is needed to inform those decisions?
  - ✓ Pawdacity Monthly Sales
  - ✓ Population Data
  - ✓ Demographic Data
  - ✓ Competitor Sales

### Step 2: Building the Training Set

*Build your training set given the data provided to you. Your column sums of your dataset should match the sums in the table below.*

*In addition provide the averages on your data set here to help reviewers check your work. You should round up to two decimal places, ex: 1.24*

|                          | Sum        | Average   |
|--------------------------|------------|-----------|
| Total Pawdacity Sales    | 3773304.00 | 343027.64 |
| Census 2010              | 213862.00  | 19442.00  |
| Land Area                | 33071.38   | 3006.49   |
| Households with Under 18 | 34064.00   | 3096.73   |
| Population Density       | 62.80      | 5.71      |
| Total Families           | 62652.79   | 5695.71   |

## Step 3: Dealing with Outliers

*Answer these questions*

Are there any cities that are outliers in the training set? Which outlier have you chosen to remove or impute? Because this dataset is a small data set (11 cities), **you should only remove or impute one outlier**. Please explain your reasoning.

Yes. **Cheyenne** is the outlier city because the **Total Pawdacity Sales**, **2010 Census Population**, **Population Density**, and **Total Families** have extreme value which has higher chance to never repeat in other cities. Using this city data will add bias to our model.