Project Overview: Assessing Aircraft Risk for New Aviation Division

Business problem

Your company is expanding in to new industries to diversify its portfolio. Specifically, they are interested in purchasing and operating airplanes for commercial and private enterprises, but do not know anything about the potential risks of aircraft. You are charged with determining which aircraft are the lowest risk for the company to start this new business endeavor. You must then translate your findings into actionable insights that the head of the new aviation division can use to help decide which aircraft to purchase.

The Data

The data is from the National Transportation Safety Board that includes aviation accident data from 1962 to 2023 about civil aviation accidents and selected incidents in the United States and international waters.

Goals

To identify which aircrafts are the lowest risk for the company.

Technical Presentation.

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In [5]: #Importing Libraries.
import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import seaborn as sns
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In [6]: #Importing the dataset
df = pd.read_csv('AviationData.csv', encoding='latin-1')
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Data Exploration.

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In [7]: #Explore the first rows
df.head()
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1	20001218X45447	Accident	LAX94LA336	1962-07-19	BRIDGEPORT, CA	United States
2	20061025X01555	Accident	NYC07LA005	1974-08-30	Saltville, VA	United States
3	20001218X45448	Accident	LAX96LA321	1977-06-19	EUREKA, CA	United States
4	20041105X01764	Accident	CHI79FA064	1979-08-02	Canton, OH	United States

5 rows × 31 columns

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In [8]: #Checking its shape
df.shape
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Out[8]: (88889, 31)

In [9]: #Checking the columns df.columns

In [10]: df.info

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Data Cleaning

From the above findings we can see the dataset has some null values. We are going to clean the data inorder to get a better understanding of the data.

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In [12]:
         #Checking for Null values
         df.isnull().sum()
Out[12]: Event.Id
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In [13]:
         #Drop columns that have more missing values
         thershold = len(df) * 0.5
         df = df.dropna(thresh=thershold, axis=1)
         df.shape
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Out[13]: (88889, 25)

In [14]: #Finding more Null Values
df.isnull().sum()

Out[14]:	Event.Id	0
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	Accident.Number	0
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	Country	226
	Airport.Code	38640
	Airport.Name	36099
	Injury.Severity	1000
	Aircraft.damage	3194
	Registration.Number	1317
	Make	63
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	Amateur.Built	102
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	Purpose.of.flight	6192
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Out[15]:

	Column	unique_val	missing_values
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2	Accident.Number	88863	0
3	Event.Date	14782	0
4	Location	27759	52
5	Country	220	226
6	Airport.Code	10376	38640
7	Airport.Name	24872	36099
8	Injury.Severity	110	1000
9	Aircraft.damage	5	3194
10	Registration.Number	79106	1317
11	Make	8238	63
12	Model	12319	92
13	Amateur.Built	3	102
14	Number.of.Engines	8	6084
15	Engine.Type	14	7077
16	Purpose.of.flight	27	6192
17	Total.Fatal.Injuries	126	11401
18	Total.Serious.Injuries	51	12510
19	Total.Minor.Injuries	58	11933
20	Total.Uninjured	380	5912
21	Weather.Condition	5	4492
22	Broad.phase.of.flight	13	27165
23	Report.Status	17076	6381
24	Publication.Date	2925	13771

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In [16]: #Dropping columns with more missing values
subset_col=list(unique_values[unique_values['missing_values']>1000]['Column
df.dropna(subset=subset_col, inplace=True)
df.shape
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<ipython-input-16-518fa402ec84>:3: SettingWithCopyWarning:
A value is trying to be set on a copy of a slice from a DataFrame

See the caveats in the documentation: https://pandas.pydata.org/pandas-docs/stable/user_guide/indexing.html#returning-a-view-versus-a-copy (https://pandas.pydata.org/pandas-docs/stable/user_guide/indexing.html#returning-a-view-versus-a-copy)

df.dropna(subset=subset_col, inplace=True)

Out[16]: (18700, 25)

In [17]: df.isnull().sum()

Out[17]:	Event.Id	0		
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In [18]:
         #Filling in Null values
         df.fillna(method='ffill', inplace=True)
         df.isnull().sum()
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In [19]:
         #Checking for Duplicates
         df.duplicated().sum()
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Out[19]: 0

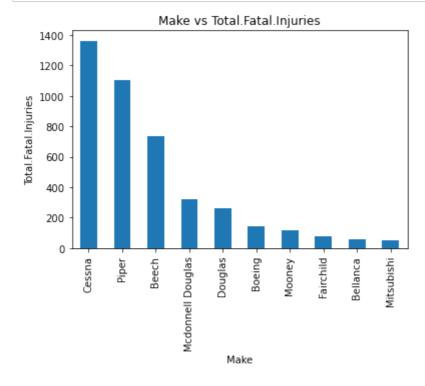
I have cleaned the data set, there may be some errors but I believe they will not cause an impact on the final findings of the investigation.

Data Visualisation and Exploratory Data Analysis.

From the above cleaning and exploration we can visualise some findings.

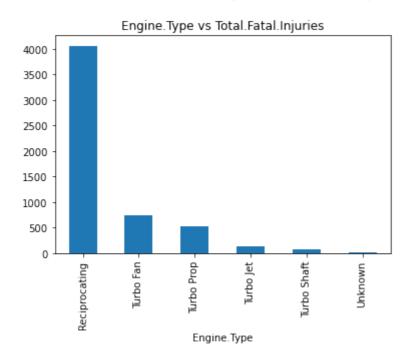
Identifying the riskiest Make against Fatal Injuries.

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In [20]: #Visualising Make vs Total.Fatal.Injuries
    df.groupby('Make')['Total.Fatal.Injuries'].sum().sort_values(ascending=Fal:
    plt.title('Make vs Total.Fatal.Injuries')
    plt.xlabel('Make')
    plt.ylabel('Total.Fatal.Injuries')
    plt.show()
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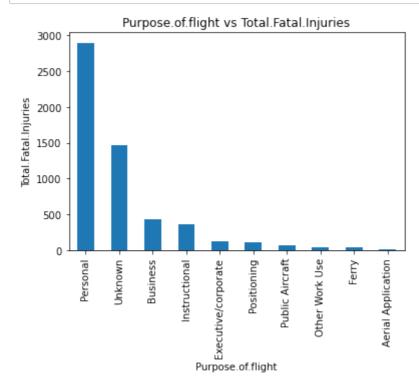


Identifying the riskiest Engine type against total fatalities.

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In [21]: #Visualisation of Engine.Type vs Total.Fatal.Injuries.
    df.groupby('Engine.Type')['Total.Fatal.Injuries'].sum().sort_values(ascend:
        plt.title('Engine.Type vs Total.Fatal.Injuries')
        plt.xlabel('Engine.Type')
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Identify which purpose of flight had the highest risk.



Recommendations.

Aircraft Make

Cesena and Piper are the highest risk aircrafts and should be avoided. Mitsubishi had the lowest fatalities.

Aircraft Engine

Reciprocating Engine had the highest fatalities and should be avoided. Turbo shaft engines had very low fatalities and should be considered

Purpose of Flight

Personal perpose of flights had the highest fatalities and carry the highest risk of reason for flight.

Next Steps.

Aircraft Make.

In the use of Cesena and piper aircraft heavy maintenance checks should be applied.

Aircraft Engine.

Turbo Shaft engine should be used in place of reciprocating engines and they should also face strct and high maintenance checks,

Purpose of flight.

As personal flights carry heavy fatalities, you should ensure that pilots recieve strict training to ensure no fatalities are made.

Thank you.