

# Customer Shopping Behaviour – Data Cleaning Summary

## 1. Data Loading

The dataset was imported using the **Pandas** library and explored with **head()**, **info()**, and **describe()** to understand structure, data types, and missing values.

The screenshot shows a Jupyter Notebook interface with two code cells and one data preview cell.

Cell [1]:

```
import pandas as pd;
df=pd.read_csv('customer_shopping_behavior.csv')
```

Cell [2]:

```
df.head()
```

Output:

	Customer ID	Age	Gender	Item Purchased	Category	Purchase Amount (USD)	Location	Size	Color	Season	Review Rating	Subscription Status	Sh
0	1	55	Male	Blouse	Clothing	53	Kentucky	L	Gray	Winter	3.1	Yes	E
1	2	19	Male	Sweater	Clothing	64	Maine	L	Maroon	Winter	3.1	Yes	E
2	3	50	Male	Jeans	Clothing	73	Massachusetts	S	Maroon	Spring	3.1	Yes	Sh
3	4	21	Male	Sandals	Footwear	90	Rhode Island	M	Maroon	Spring	3.5	Yes	Ne
4	5	45	Male	Blouse	Clothing	49	Oregon	M	Turquoise	Spring	2.7	Yes	Sh

Cell [3]:

```
df.info()
```

## 2. Column Standardization:

All column names were standardized to lowercase and converted to **snake\_case** by replacing spaces with underscores.

This would improve consistency and ensure compatibility with SQL databases and visualization tools such as Power BI.

The screenshot shows a Jupyter Notebook interface with three code cells.

Cell [8]:

```
df.columns=df.columns.str.lower()
df.columns=df.columns.str.replace(' ', '_')
```

Cell [9]:

```
df=df.rename(columns={'purchase_amount_(usd)':'purchase_amount'})
```

Cell [10]:

```
df.columns
```

Output:

```
Index(['customer_id', 'age', 'gender', 'item_purchased', 'category',
       'purchase_amount', 'location', 'size', 'color', 'season',
       'review_rating', 'subscription_status', 'shipping_type',
       'discount_applied', 'promo_code_used', 'previous_purchases',
       'payment_method', 'frequency_of_purchases'],
      dtype='object')
```

### 3. Handling Missing Values:

Missing values in the Review Rating column were filled using the category-wise **median**.

The median was preferred over the mean since it reduces the influence of **outliers** and better represents the central tendency of skewed data.

The screenshot shows two code cells in a Jupyter Notebook. Cell [5] contains the command `df.isnull().sum()`, which outputs a series of counts for each column: Customer ID (0), Age (0), Gender (0), Item Purchased (0), Category (0), Purchase Amount (USD) (0), Location (0), Size (0), Color (0), Season (0), Review Rating (37), Subscription Status (0), Shipping Type (0), Discount Applied (0), Promo Code Used (0), Previous Purchases (0), Payment Method (0), and Frequency of Purchases (0). The dtype is int64. Cell [6] contains the command `df['Review Rating']=df.groupby('Category')['Review Rating'].transform(lambda x:x.fillna(x.median()))`, which fills the missing values in the Review Rating column with the category-wise median. Cell [7] shows the result of running the same `df.isnull().sum()` command again, resulting in 0s for all columns, indicating that all missing values have been successfully handled.

### 4. Age Group Segmentation

A new column **age\_group** was created using `pd.qcut()` to divide customers into four quantile-based categories — Young Adult, Adult, Middle Age, and Senior.

The screenshot shows three code cells. Cell [11] defines labels for the age groups: 'Young Adult', 'Adult', 'Middle Age', and 'Senior'. Cell [12] uses `pd.qcut(df['age'], q=4, labels=labels)` to create the `age_group` column. Cell [13] displays the first 10 rows of the DataFrame with both `age` and `age_group` columns. The output shows ages ranging from 19 to 63, categorized into Middle Age, Young Adult, Middle Age, Young Adult, Middle Age, Middle Age, Senior, Young Adult, Young Adult, and Middle Age respectively.

age	age_group
55	Middle Age
19	Young Adult
50	Middle Age
21	Young Adult
45	Middle Age
46	Middle Age
63	Senior
27	Young Adult
26	Young Adult
57	Middle Age

## 5. Purchase Frequency Mapping

The categorical column **frequency\_of\_purchases** was mapped to numeric values to represent time intervals in days.

Examples include: Weekly = 7, Monthly = 30, Annually = 365.

This would enable better comparison and calculation of purchase patterns over time.

```
frequency_mapping={  
    'Fortnightly':14,  
    'Weekly':7,  
    'Monthly':30,  
    'Quarterly':90,  
    'Bi-weekly':14,  
    'Annually':365,  
    'Every 3 months':90  
}  
  
df['purchase_frequency_days']=df['frequency_of_purchases'].map(frequency_mapping)  
✓ 0.0s  
  
df[['purchase_frequency_days','frequency_of_purchases']].head(10)  
✓ 0.0s  
  
purchase frequency.days frequency.of purchases  
0 14.0 Fortnightly  
1 14.0 Fortnightly  
2 7.0 Weekly  
3 7.0 Weekly  
4 365.0 Annually  
5 7.0 Weekly  
6 90.0 Quarterly  
7 7.0 Weekly  
8 365.0 Annually  
9 90.0 Quarterly
```

## 6. Duplicate Column Removal

The columns **discount\_applied** and **promo\_code\_used** contained identical data.

After verification using equality checks, **promo\_code\_used** was dropped to maintain schema clarity and prevent redundancy.

```
df[['discount_applied','promo_code_used']].head(10)  
✓ 0.0s  
  
discount_applied promo_code_used  
0 Yes Yes  
1 Yes Yes  
2 Yes Yes  
3 Yes Yes  
4 Yes Yes  
5 Yes Yes  
6 Yes Yes  
7 Yes Yes  
8 Yes Yes  
9 Yes Yes  
  
(df['discount_applied']==df['promo_code_used']).all()  
✓ 0.0s  
True  
  
df=df.drop('promo_code_used',axis=1)  
✓ 0.0s  
  
df.columns  
✓ 0.0s  
Index(['customer_id', 'age', 'gender', 'item_purchased', 'category',  
       'purchase_amount', 'location', 'size', 'color', 'season',  
       'review_rating', 'subscription_status', 'shipping_type',  
       'discount_applied', 'previous_purchases', 'payment_method',  
       'frequency_of_purchases', 'age_group', 'purchase_frequency_days'],  
      dtype='object')
```

## 7. Safe Database Export Setup

A commented SQL export block was included using **SQLAlchemy**.

This would allow future database integration while preventing any accidental modifications to the MySQL database during notebook execution.

```
#username = "root"
#password = "myPassword"
#host = "127.0.0.1"
#port = "3311"
#database = "customer_behavior"

#engine = create_engine(f"mysql+pymysql://{{username}}:{{password}}@{{host}}:{{port}}/{{database}}")
#table_name = "customer"
#df.to_sql(table_name, engine, if_exists="replace", index=False)

#pd.read_sql("SELECT * FROM customer LIMIT 5;", engine)
✓ 0.0s
```

## 8. Final Outcome

- Dataset standardized using snake\_case naming.
- Missing values treated with median-based imputation to minimize outlier effects.
- New engineered features (age\_group, purchase\_frequency\_days) added for deeper analysis.
- Redundant columns removed for clarity.
- Ready-to-export dataset prepared for SQL integration and Power BI visualization.

	customer_id	age	gender	item purchased	category	purchase amount	location	size	color	season	review rating	subscription status	shippin
3890	3891	35	Female	Shirt	Clothing	81	Nebraska	XL	Green	Winter	2.6	No	St
3891	3892	36	Female	Dress	Clothing	30	Colorado	L	Peach	Winter	4.7	No	Free Sh
3892	3893	35	Female	Jewelry	Accessories	86	Michigan	L	Indigo	Summer	3.5	No	St
3893	3894	21	Female	Hat	Accessories	64	Massachusetts	L	White	Fall	3.3	No	Store
3894	3895	66	Female	Skirt	Clothing	78	Connecticut	L	White	Spring	3.9	No	Sh
3895	3896	40	Female	Hoodie	Clothing	28	Virginia	L	Turquoise	Summer	4.2	No	Sh
3896	3897	52	Female	Backpack	Accessories	49	Iowa	L	White	Spring	4.5	No	Store
3897	3898	46	Female	Belt	Accessories	33	New Jersey	L	Green	Spring	2.9	No	St
3898	3899	44	Female	Shoes	Footwear	77	Minnesota	S	Brown	Summer	3.8	No	Sh
3899	3900	52	Female	Handbag	Accessories	81	California	M	Beige	Spring	3.1	No	Store