

Bigmart Sales Analysis

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Introduction

BigMart has been experiencing inconsistent sales performance across its outlets. Some stores have been struggling to meet their sales targets, while some stores have been exceeding expectations. Management wants to understand the factors contributing to these disparities so they can make informed decisions to boost overall sales and optimize their inventory.

BigMart needs to identify the key drivers of sales performance across different products and outlets. Specifically, they want to:

- Determine which products are top performers.
- Understand sales trends over the years.
- Compare sales performance across different outlet types and locations.
- Assess the impact of product visibility, type, and pricing on sales.
- Analyze how outlet size and location influence sales figures.

Methodology

Data Wrangling

- Checking Data Types and Missing Values
- Identified the data types of each column.
- Checked for missing values across the dataset.

Handling Missing Values

- Replaced missing numeric values with the median of the respective columns.
- Replaced missing categorical values with the mode of the respective columns.

Basic Statistics

• Conducted basic statistical analysis to understand the central tendency and dispersion of the data.

Sales Analysis

- Identify Top-Performing Products Based on Item_Outlet_Sales
- Analyze Sales Trends Over the Years.
- Compare Sales Performance Across Different Outlet Types

Product Performance

- Assess the Impact of Item_Visibility on Sales
- Calculated correlation coefficients to quantify the relationship.
- Analyze How Item_Type Influences Sales Figures
- Evaluate the Effect of Item_MRP on Item_Outlet_Sales
- Calculated correlation coefficients to quantify the relationship.

Outlet Analysis

- Compare Sales Performance Across Different Outlet_Location_Type and Outlet_Size.
- Analyze Sales Trends Across Different Establishment Years
- Grouped data by Outlet_Establishment_Year.
- Summed Item_Outlet_Sales to analyze sales trends across different establishment years.

Data Wrangling

```
#check your infomation
df.info()
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 8523 entries, 0 to 8522
Data columns (total 12 columns):
# Column
                           Non-Null Count Dtype
   Item Identifier
                       8523 non-null object
                         7060 non-null float64
   Item Weight
2 Item Fat Content
                       8523 non-null object
                       8523 non-null float64
3 Item_Visibility
   Item Type
                         8523 non-null object
                         8523 non-null float64
5 Item MRP
6 Outlet Identifier
                     8523 non-null object
   Outlet_Establishment_Year 8523 non-null int64
                    6113 non-null object
8 Outlet Size
  Outlet_Location_Type 8523 non-null object
10 Outlet Type
                   8523 non-null object
11 Item_Outlet_Sales 8523 non-null float64
dtypes: float64(4), int64(1), object(7)
memory usage: 799.2+ KB
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```
# check for missing values
df.isnull().sum()
Item Identifier
                                0
Item Weight
                             1463
Item Fat Content
Item_Visibility
Item Type
Item MRP
Outlet Identifier
Outlet_Establishment_Year
Outlet Size
                             2410
Outlet Location Type
                                0
Outlet Type
Item Outlet Sales
dtype: int64
```

Data Wrangling

Handle missing value with median and mode

```
# handle missing value with the median
df['Item Weight'].median()
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# filling the missing values in the "Item weight column" with the "Median" value
df['Item Weight'].fillna(df['Item Weight'].median(), inplace=True)
# handle missing value with the mode
df['Outlet_Size'].mode()
     Medium
Name: Outlet_Size, dtype: object
# Filling the missing values in the "Outlet Size column" with the "Mode" value
df['Outlet Size'].fillna(df['Outlet Size'].mode()[0], inplace=True)
```

```
# checking for missing values again
df.isnull().sum()
Item_Identifier
Item_Weight
Item Fat Content
Item Visibility
Item Type
Item MRP
Outlet Identifier
Outlet Establishment Year
Outlet Size
Outlet Location Type
Outlet_Type
Item Outlet Sales
dtype: int64
```

Basic Statistics

df.describe()

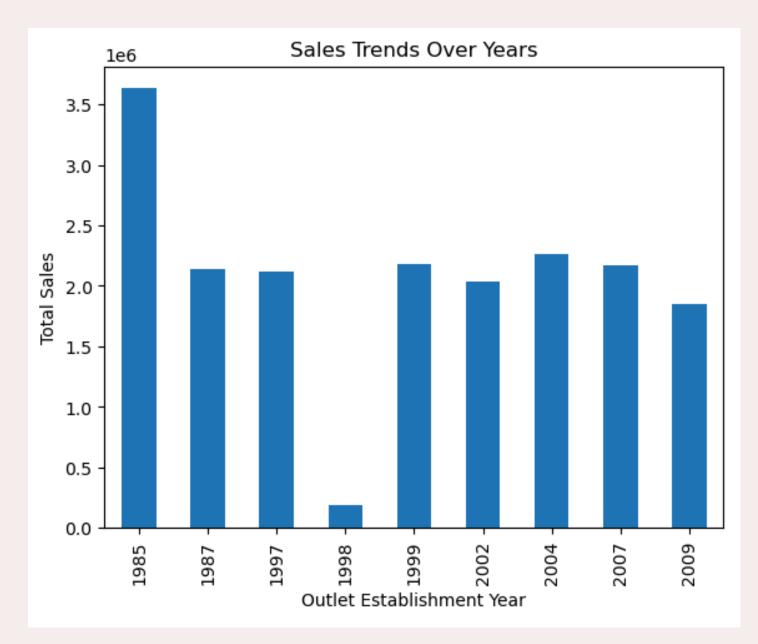
	Item_Weight	Item_Visibility	Item_MRP	Outlet_Establishment_Year	Item_Outlet_Sales
count	8523.00000	8523.000000	8523.000000	8523.000000	8523.000000
mean	12.81342	0.066132	140.992782	1997.831867	2181.288914
std	4.22724	0.051598	62.275067	8.371760	1706.499616
min	4.55500	0.000000	31.290000	1985.000000	33.290000
25%	9.31000	0.026989	93.826500	1987.000000	834.247400
50%	12.60000	0.053931	143.012800	1999.000000	1794.331000
75%	16.00000	0.094585	185.643700	2004.000000	3101.296400
max	21.35000	0.328391	266.888400	2009.000000	13086.964800

Sales Analysis

```
# Identify Top-Performing Products Based on Item_Outlet_Sales
# Group by Item Identifier and sum the Item Outlet Sales
top_products = df.groupby('Item_Identifier')['Item_Outlet_Sales'].sum().sort_values(ascending=False)
# Get the top 10 performing products
top_10_products = top_products.head(10)
print(top_10_products)
Item_Identifier
FDY55
         42661.8008
FDA15
         41584.5364
FDZ20
         40185.0248
FDF05
         36555.7490
         35741.4756
FDA04
FDK@3
         34843.9772
         34680.1904
NCQ06
NCQ53
         34508.4140
FDJ55
         33531.0196
FDD44
         32723.4042
Name: Item_Outlet_Sales, dtype: float64
```

- The top-performing products by total sales are FDY55 has the highest total sales, followed by FDA15 and FDF05.
- These top products contribute significantly to the overall sales.

Sales Analysis



```
# Analyze Sales Trends Over the Years
# Group by Outlet_Establishment_Year and sum the Item_Outlet_Sales
sales_trends = df.groupby('Outlet_Establishment_Year')['Item_Outlet_Sales'].sum()
# Plotting the sales trends
plt.figure(figsize=(10, 6))
sales_trends.plot(kind='bar')
plt.title('Sales Trends Over Years')
plt.xlabel('Outlet Establishment Year')
plt.ylabel('Total Sales')
plt.show()
```

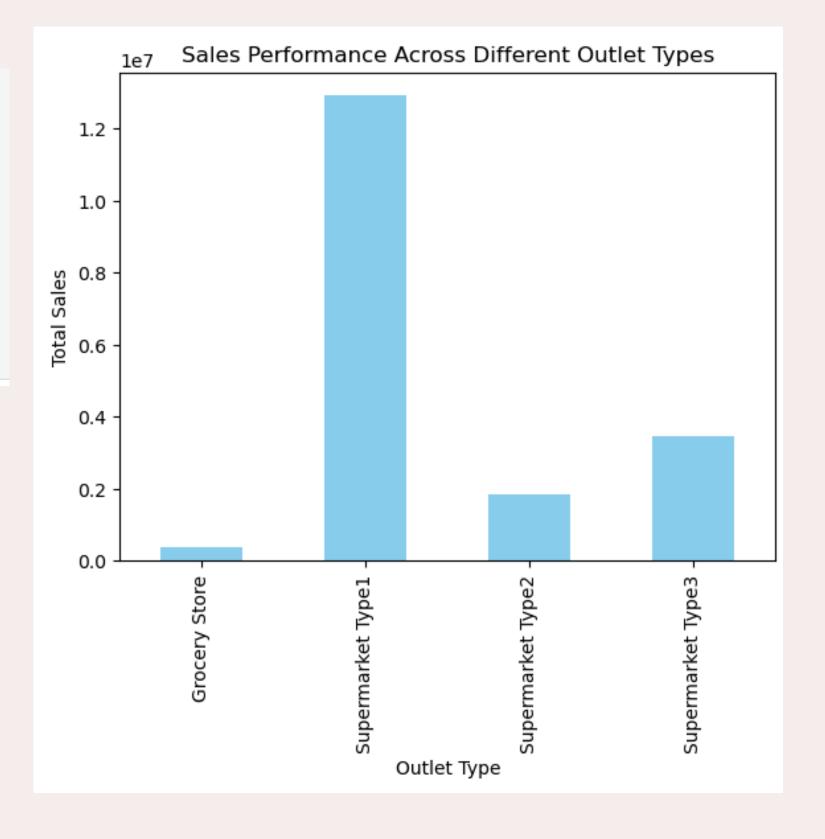
- Sales peaked in 1985 and have varied significantly in subsequent years.
- There is a noticeable dip in sales for outlets established in 1998.
- The spike in 1985 could indicate a period when BigMart had fewer outlets, leading to higher sales concentration in those stores.
- The dip in 1998 could suggest that the outlets established in that year faced challenges such as poor location, competition, or economic factors impacting sales.

Sales Analysis

```
# compare Sales Performance Across Different Outlet Types
# Group by Outlet_Type and sum the Item_Outlet_Sales
sales_by_outlet_type = df.groupby('Outlet_Type')['Item_Outlet_Sales'].sum()

# Plotting the sales performance across different outlet types
plt_figure(figsize=(10, 6))
sales_by_outlet_type.plot(kind='bar', color='skyblue')
plt.title('Sales Performance Across Different Outlet Types')
plt.xlabel('Outlet Type')
plt.ylabel('Total Sales')
plt.show()
```

- Supermarket Type1 has the highest total sales, followed by Supermarket Type3 and Supermarket Type2.
- Grocery Stores have the lowest total sales.
- Larger supermarkets (Type1) perform significantly better in terms of sales compared to smaller grocery stores. This might be due to a wider product range, better facilities, or stronger brand presence.
- Supermarket Type3 and Type2 also perform well, indicating that larger format stores are generally more successful.



Product Performance

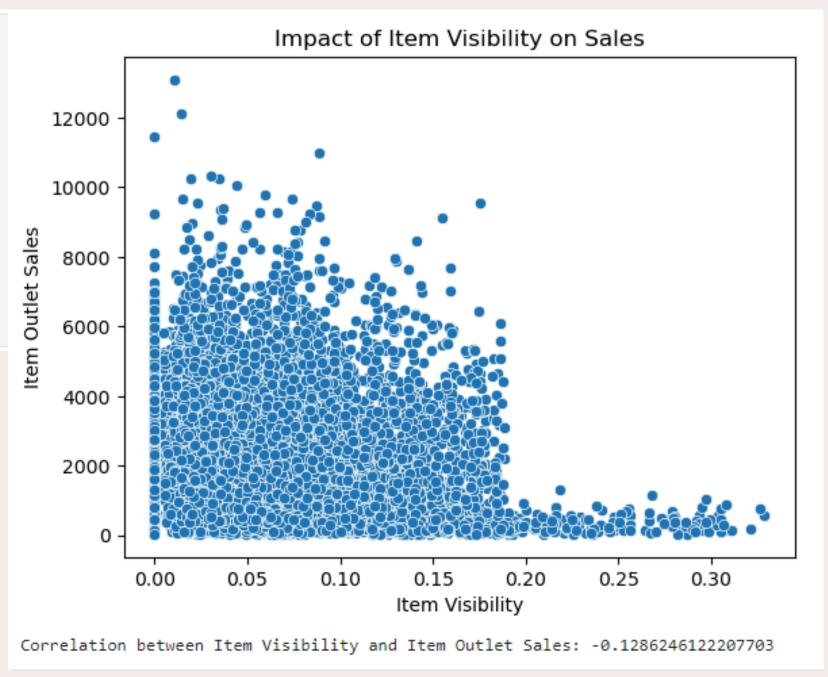
```
# Assess the Impact of Item_Visibility on Sales
# Scatter plot of Item_Visibility vs. Item_Outlet_Sales

plt.figure(figsize=(10, 6))
sns.scatterplot(x='Item_Visibility', y='Item_Outlet_Sales', data=df)
plt.title('Impact of Item Visibility on Sales')
plt.xlabel('Item Visibility')
plt.ylabel('Item Outlet Sales')
plt.show()

# Calculate the correlation coefficient

correlation_visibility_sales = np.corrcoef(df['Item_Visibility'], df['Item_Outlet_Sales'])[0, 1]
print(f"Correlation between Item Visibility and Item Outlet Sales: {correlation_visibility_sales}")
```

- The scatter plot shows that as Item Visibility increases, the Item Outlet Sales tend to decrease.
- The correlation coefficient between Item Visibility and Item Outlet Sales is -0.1286, indicating a weak negative correlation.
- Items that are less visible tend to have higher sales. This could mean that highly visible items are not necessarily attracting more customers.
- Strategic placement and marketing are needed for items with higher visibility to improve their sales.

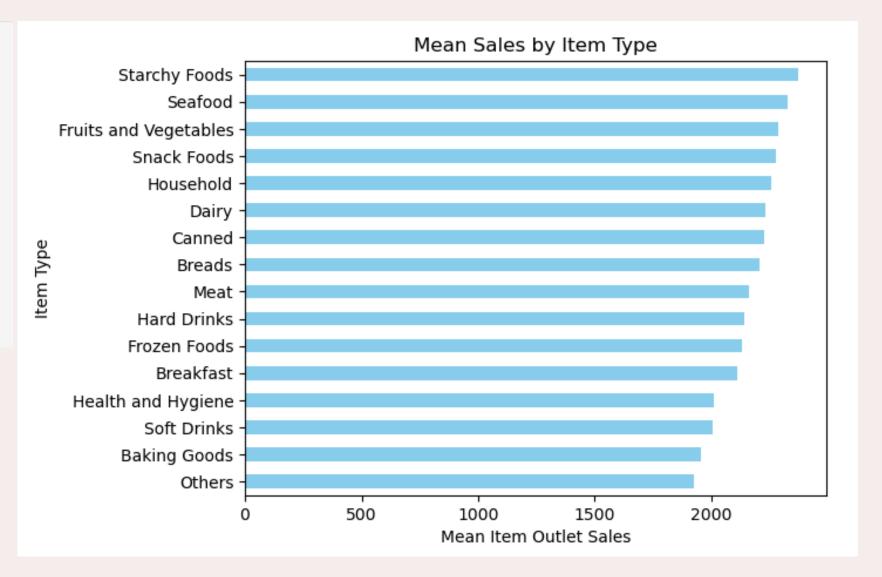


Product Performance

```
# Analyze How Item_Type Influences Sales Figures
# Group by Item_Type and calculate the mean Item_Outlet_Sales
sales_by_item_type = df.groupby('Item_Type')['Item_Outlet_Sales'].mean().sort_values()
# Bar plot of mean Item_Outlet_Sales by Item_Type

plt.figure(figsize=(12, 8))
sales_by_item_type.plot(kind='barh', color='skyblue')
plt.title('Mean Sales by Item Type')
plt.xlabel('Mean Item Outlet Sales')
plt.ylabel('Item Type')
plt.show()
```

- The bar plot shows that Starchy Foods, Seafood, and Fruits and Vegetables have the highest mean sales, while categories like Baking Goods and Others have the lowest mean sales.
- Certain product categories are more popular and contribute more to sales, indicating customer preferences and consumption patterns.
- Categories with lower sales might need more promotional efforts or reassessment of their product offerings.



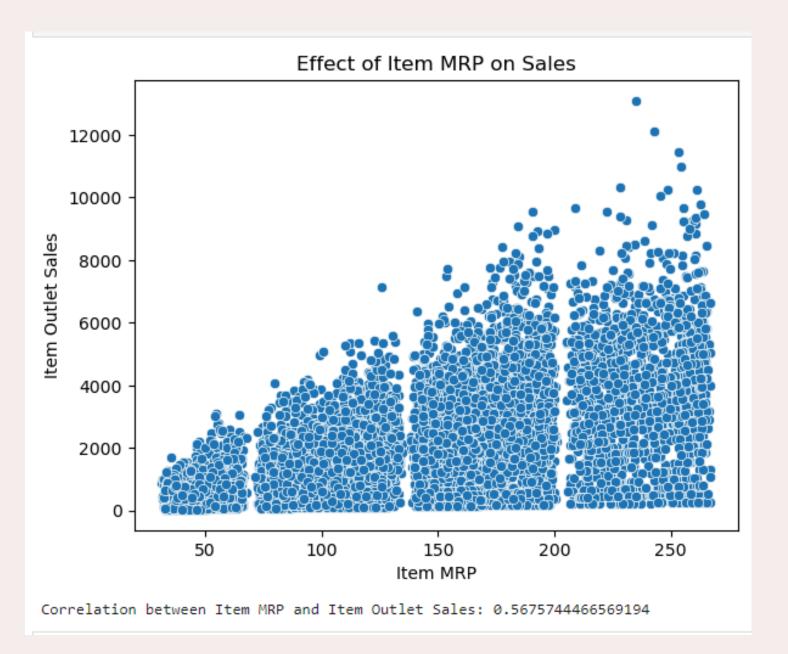
Product Performance

```
# Evaluate the Effect of Item_MRP on Item_Outlet_Sales
# Scatter plot of Item_MRP vs. Item_Outlet_Sales

plt.figure(figsize=(10, 6))
sns.scatterplot(x='Item_MRP', y='Item_Outlet_Sales', data=df)
plt.title('Effect of Item MRP on Sales')
plt.xlabel('Item MRP')
plt.ylabel('Item Outlet Sales')
plt.ylabel('Item Outlet Sales')
plt.show()

# Calculate the correlation coefficient
correlation_mrp_sales = np.corrcoef(df['Item_MRP'], df['Item_Outlet_Sales'])[0, 1]
print(f"Correlation between Item MRP and Item Outlet Sales: {correlation_mrp_sales}")
```

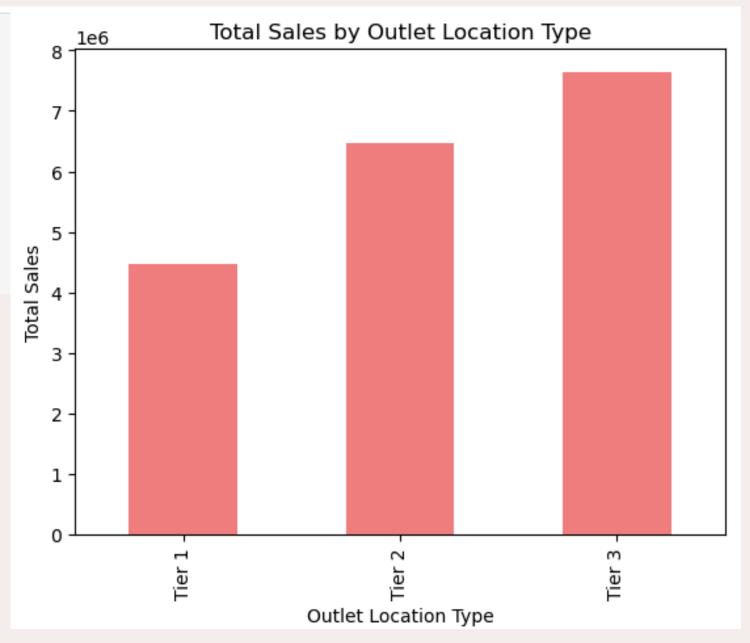
- The scatter plot shows that higher MRP (Maximum Retail Price) items generally have higher sales, although there is significant variation.
- The correlation coefficient between Item MRP and Item Outlet Sales is 0.5677, indicating a moderate positive correlation.
- Higher-priced items tend to sell more, which suggests that customers perceive value in these products or that they belong to categories with high demand.
- The variation indicates that while price is a factor, other elements like quality, brand, and necessity also play roles in driving sales.



Outlet Analysis

```
# Compare sales performance across different Outlet_Location_Type and outlet_sales
sales_by_location_type = df.groupby('Outlet_Location_Type')['Item_Outlet_Sales'].sum()
plt.figure(figsize=(10, 6))
sales_by_location_type.plot(kind='bar', color='lightcoral')
plt.title('Total Sales by Outlet Location Type')
plt.xlabel('Outlet Location Type')
plt.ylabel('Total Sales')
plt.show()
```

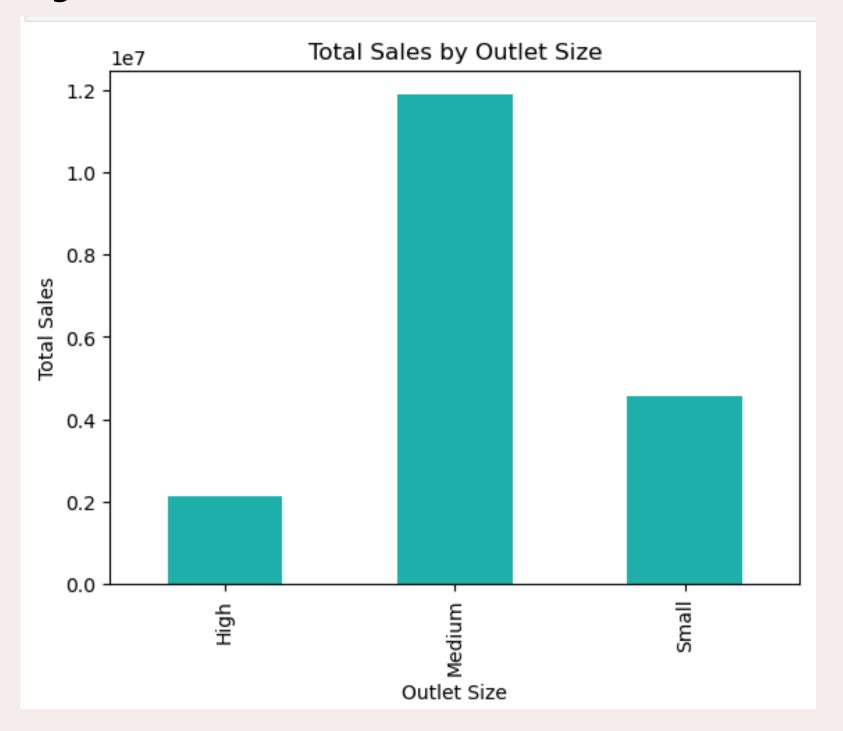
- The bar plot shows that Tier 3 locations have the highest total sales, followed by Tier 2, with Tier 1 locations having the lowest total sales.
- Outlets in Tier 3 locations are performing the best in terms of sales. This could be due to various factors such as higher population density, better customer reach, or more favorable market conditions in these areas.
- Tier 1 locations, despite being in prime areas, have the lowest sales. This might indicate higher competition, higher operating costs, or customer preferences shifting to other areas.



Outlet Analysis

```
# Compare sales performance across different Outlet_Size
sales_by_outlet_size = df.groupby('Outlet_Size')['Item_Outlet_Sales'].sum()
plt.figure(figsize=(10, 6))
sales_by_outlet_size.plot(kind='bar', color='lightseagreen')
plt.title('Total Sales by Outlet Size')
plt.xlabel('Outlet Size')
plt.ylabel('Total Sales')
plt.show()
```

- The bar plot shows that outlets of Medium size have the highest total sales, followed by Small and then High size outlets.
- Medium-size outlets are performing the best in terms of sales. This could be due to an optimal balance between product variety and shopping convenience.
- High-size outlets, despite having the potential for a larger inventory and customer capacity, have the lowest sales. This might be due to higher maintenance costs, less efficient use of space, or customer preference for more manageable shopping experiences.



Recommendation

- Focus on Medium-Sized Outlets, Medium-sized outlets have the highest sales. They strike a good balance between product variety and shopping convenience. Consider expanding or optimizing these outlets to maximize sales.
- Invest in Tier 3 Locations, Tier 3 locations have shown the highest total sales. There may be untapped potential in these areas due to lower competition and costs. Consider opening more outlets or increasing marketing efforts in these locations.
- Improve Performance in Tier 1 Locations, Despite being in prime areas, Tier 1 locations have the lowest sales. Look into factors such as competition, customer preferences, and operating costs. Implement targeted marketing and promotions to attract more customers.
- Optimize Large Outlets, Large outlets have the lowest sales despite their potential for high inventory. Optimize space usage and improve store layout and customer service. Evaluate if these outlets are in the best locations and if they need restructuring.
- Enhance Product Visibility, Although Item Visibility has a minor impact on sales, ensure products are well-displayed and easily accessible to customers. Better product visibility can enhance the shopping experience.

Conclusion

- Medium-sized outlets in Tier 3 locations are performing the best in terms of sales.
- Large outlets and those in Tier 1 locations need optimization and targeted strategies to improve their performance.
- Product visibility, item type, and pricing have varying impacts on sales, with some products performing better than others.

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