Exploring_Ebay_Car_Sales_Data

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[1]: import pandas as pd
     #Some .csv files can't be accessed without proper encoding method.
     autos = pd.read_csv('autos.csv', encoding='Latin-1')
[2]: #To display the dataframe.
     autos
[2]:
                     dateCrawled
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            2016-03-26 17:47:46
                                                     Peugeot_807_160_NAVTECH_ON_BOARD
            2016-04-04 13:38:56
     1
                                          BMW_740i_4_4_Liter_HAMANN_UMBAU_Mega_Optik
     2
            2016-03-26 18:57:24
                                                           Volkswagen_Golf_1.6_United
     3
            2016-03-12 16:58:10
                                   Smart_smart_fortwo_coupe_softouch/F1/Klima/Pan...
     4
                                  Ford_Focus_1_6_Benzin_TÜV_neu_ist_sehr_gepfleg...
            2016-04-01 14:38:50
                                    Audi_Q5_3.0_TDI_qu._S_tr.__Navi__Panorama__Xenon
     49995
            2016-03-27 14:38:19
     49996
            2016-03-28 10:50:25
                                  Opel_Astra_F_Cabrio_Bertone_Edition___TÜV_neu+...
            2016-04-02 14:44:48
                                                       Fiat_500_C_1.2_Dualogic_Lounge
     49997
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            2016-03-08 19:25:42
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                   2016-03-15 03:16:28
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                   2016-04-02 14:18:02
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            73430
                   2016-04-04 11:47:27
            35683
                   2016-04-05 16:45:07
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            45897
                   2016-04-06 21:18:48
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[50000 rows x 20 columns]

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[3]: autos.info() #To display the info of the autos dataframe.
autos.head() #Displaying top 5 rows in the dataframe.
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RangeIndex: 50000 entries, 0 to 49999

Data columns (total 20 columns):
dateCrawled 50000 non-null object
name 50000 non-null object
seller 50000 non-null object
offerType 50000 non-null object
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<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>

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50000 non-null object
    price
    abtest
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    vehicleType
                            44905 non-null object
    yearOfRegistration
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                            47320 non-null object
    gearbox
    powerPS
                            50000 non-null int64
    model
                            47242 non-null object
    odometer
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    monthOfRegistration
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    fuelType
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                            50000 non-null int64
    nrOfPictures
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    postalCode
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    lastSeen
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    memory usage: 7.6+ MB
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     1 2016-04-04 13:38:56
                                     BMW_740i_4_4_Liter_HAMANN_UMBAU_Mega_Optik
                                                     Volkswagen_Golf_1.6_United
     2 2016-03-26 18:57:24
     3 2016-03-12 16:58:10
                             Smart_smart_fortwo_coupe_softouch/F1/Klima/Pan...
     4 2016-04-01 14:38:50
                             Ford_Focus_1_6_Benzin_TÜV_neu_ist_sehr_gepfleg...
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               2016-04-06 20:15:37
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               2016-03-15 03:16:28
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               2016-04-01 14:38:50
```

PART ONE: Analysis on autos dataframe

- Upon looking at the information of the entire data frame, there are 5 out of a tota; 20 columns that have null or NaN data: vehicle, gearbox, model, fuelType, and notRepairedDamage. But none of the columns have more than 20% of its data as null values.
 - vehicleType: $5{,}095 \text{ null/NaN data}$
 - gearbox: 2,680 null/NaN data
 - model: 2,758 null/NaN data
 - fuelType: 4,482 null/NaN data
 - notRepairedDamage: 9,829 null/NaN data
- There are also 5 columns that have data that are int datatype: yearOfRegistration,powerPS,monthofRegistration,nrOfPictures,postalCode
- Also noticed some data columns have data that's spelled incorrectly, contain a combination of numbers and characters, and datetimes.
- I expected that we will be filling null cells with appropriate data, correcting misspelled words, and removing characters from number+char combos, creating datetime objects and extracting either the dates or the times, and converting the values (which would then be numbers) to either the int or float datatypes among other tasks.
- Some cells that have strings are also written in German, so I suspect that we would have to translate all of our non-english cells to english

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[4]: autos.columns #To display all unique column titles.
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PART TWO: Renaming columns. - We renamed the columns whose names were in the camelcase format to the snakecase format because snakecase is the format most preferred in Python.

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[6]: autos.describe() #Describing general information about columns in the dataframe⊔ ⇒containing numeric values.
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[6]:		registration_year	power_ps	registration_month	nr_of_pictures	\
	count	50000.000000	50000.000000	50000.000000	50000.0	
	mean	2005.073280	116.355920	5.723360	0.0	
	std	105.712813	209.216627	3.711984	0.0	
	min	1000.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.0	
	25%	1999.000000	70.000000	3.000000	0.0	
	50%	2003.000000	105.000000	6.000000	0.0	
	75%	2008.000000	150.000000	9.000000	0.0	
	max	9999.000000	17700.000000	12.000000	0.0	

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postal_code
       50000.000000
count
       50813.627300
mean
std
       25779.747957
        1067.000000
min
       30451.000000
25%
50%
       49577.000000
75%
       71540.000000
       99998.000000
max
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PART THREE: Noting descriptive info. about table data - nr_of-pictures column has a mean of 0.0 (and everywhere else on the stats sheet) and a count of 50,000 which means that all the data in that column are 0s - power_ps which is another name for Horse Power(HP), has a min of 0.00, which means that there are cars registered that can't run at all. - postal_code column has a min value of 1067. Postal codes are meant to be 5 digits long which indicates that there are some postal codes that start with a zero which doesn't get shown. In theory, the data type in this column have to be changed to the string type instead of int or float types in order to show that zero in the beginning of each postal code.

```
[7]: #Removing non-numeric values from columns we want to have as numeric, and then
      →converting them to numeric datatypes.
     autos['price'] = autos['price'].str.replace('\$','').str.replace(',','').
     →astype(float)
     autos['odometer'] = autos['odometer'].str.replace('km','').str.replace(',',').
      →astype(float)
     autos.rename(columns={'odometer':'odometer_km'}, inplace=True)
     autos.head()
[7]:
               date_crawled
                                                                            name
                                               Peugeot_807_160_NAVTECH_ON_BOARD
     0 2016-03-26 17:47:46
     1 2016-04-04 13:38:56
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     2 2016-03-26 18:57:24
                                                     Volkswagen_Golf_1.6_United
     3 2016-03-12 16:58:10 Smart_smart_fortwo_coupe_softouch/F1/Klima/Pan...
     4 2016-04-01 14:38:50 Ford_Focus_1_6_Benzin_TÜV_neu_ist_sehr_gepfleg...
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                                       2016-03-12 00:00:00
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                                      2016-04-01 00:00:00
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              71034
                     2016-04-06 14:45:08
     2
              35394
                     2016-04-06 20:15:37
     3
              33729
                     2016-03-15 03:16:28
              39218 2016-04-01 14:38:50
[8]: autos['price'].unique().shape #To get the number of unique prices in the price
      \rightarrow column.
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[8]: (2357,)
 [9]: autos['price'].describe() #General info about price column after numeric data_
        \rightarrow conversion.
 [9]: count
                5.000000e+04
                9.840044e+03
      mean
                4.811044e+05
      std
      min
                0.000000e+00
      25%
                1.100000e+03
      50%
                2.950000e+03
      75%
                7.200000e+03
                1.000000e+08
      max
      Name: price, dtype: float64
     PART FOUR: Identifying and removing outliers - Based on the descriptions given above, you can
     already see a few outliers. For instance: the cheapest car you can get which is the min price value
     is 0. - So essentially you would be getting those cars for free. Thus, you would want to remove
     free cars from your dataframe because the car very low to no value. - You can also see that the
     max is another outlier, as the most expensive car in the dataframe is listed at 100 million dollars.
     The most expensive car in the world today costs 13 million dollars. Therefore, you would want to
     remove any cars priced at more than 13 million. - Ideally, the most accurate listings can be found
     between 1,100 and 13 million dollars in my opinion.
[10]: autos['price'].value_counts().head() #Displaying top 5 counts of specific_
       →prices from the price column.
[10]: 0.0
                 1421
      500.0
                  781
      1500.0
                  734
      2500.0
                  643
      1200.0
                  639
      Name: price, dtype: int64
[11]: #To find the cars with the highest prices in autos to remove.
      autos['price'].value_counts().sort_index(ascending=False).head()
[11]: 99999999.0
                      1
      27322222.0
                      1
      12345678.0
                      3
      11111111.0
                      2
      1000000.0
                      1
      Name: price, dtype: int64
[39]: #To find the cars with lowest prices that we don't since these cars are up for
       \rightarrow bids.
      autos['price'].value_counts().sort_index(ascending=True).head()
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[39]: 1.0
             150
      2.0
               2
      3.0
               1
      5.0
               2
      8.0
               1
      Name: price, dtype: int64
[13]: #To find unique odometer values.
      autos['odometer_km'].unique().shape
[13]: (13,)
[14]: #Describing general statistics info. on 'odometer_km' column.
      autos['odometer_km'].describe()
[14]: count
                50000.000000
      mean
               125732.700000
      std
                40042.211706
                 5000.000000
     min
      25%
               125000.000000
      50%
               150000.000000
     75%
               150000.000000
               150000.000000
     max
      Name: odometer_km, dtype: float64
[15]: #Showing count of top 5 unique 'odometer_km' values in descending order
      autos['odometer_km'].value_counts().head()
[15]: 150000.0
                  32424
      125000.0
                   5170
      100000.0
                   2169
      90000.0
                   1757
      0.00008
                   1436
      Name: odometer_km, dtype: int64
[16]: #Showing count of top 5 unique 'odometer_km' values in descending order.
      autos['odometer_km'].value_counts().sort_index(ascending=False).head()
[16]: 150000.0
                  32424
      125000.0
                   5170
      100000.0
                   2169
      90000.0
                   1757
      80000.0
                   1436
      Name: odometer_km, dtype: int64
[17]: #Same data as above, just shown in ascending index order.
      autos['odometer_km'].value_counts().sort_index(ascending=True).head()
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[17]: 5000.0
                 967
      10000.0
                 264
      20000.0
                 784
      30000.0
                 789
      40000.0
                 819
      Name: odometer_km, dtype: int64
[18]: #General statistics info on 'registration year' column.
      autos["registration year"].describe()
[18]: count
               50000.000000
      mean
                2005.073280
      std
                  105.712813
      min
                1000.000000
      25%
                1999.000000
      50%
                2003.000000
      75%
                2008.000000
                9999.000000
      max
      Name: registration_year, dtype: float64
[19]: #Only looking at cars registered between 1900 and 2016. Anything registered
       ⇒before or after that is incorrect data.
      autos[autos["registration_year"].between(1900.0,2016.0)].describe()
[19]:
                                                                 odometer_km
                     price
                            registration_year
                                                    power_ps
                                                48028.000000
                                                               48028.000000
             4.802800e+04
                                  48028.00000
      count
             9.585252e+03
                                   2002.80351
                                                  117.070417
                                                               125544.161739
      mean
      std
             4.843817e+05
                                      7.31085
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                                   1999.00000
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      50%
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             1.000000e+08
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                                                              150000.000000
      max
                                  nr of pictures
             registration_month
                                                    postal_code
      count
                   48028.000000
                                         48028.0
                                                   48028.000000
                        5.767760
                                              0.0
                                                   50935.867327
      mean
      std
                        3.696802
                                              0.0
                                                   25792.079828
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      max
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There are a few discrepencies in the registration_year column. The minimum year is listed at year 1000 which is well before the first car was invented, and max year listed at year 9999 which is well into the future. Thus, we'll only looked at cars registered between 1900 - 2016 which will

remove any years less than year 1900, and years more than year 2016.

```
[20]: #Looking for percentages of cars registered based on years.
      autos = autos[autos["registration_year"].between(1900.0,2016.0)]
      autos["registration_year"].value_counts(normalize=True).head(10).sort_values
[20]: <bound method Series.sort_values of 2000
                                                   0.069834
      2005
              0.062776
      1999
              0.062464
      2004
              0.056988
      2003
              0.056779
      2006
              0.056384
      2001
              0.056280
      2002
              0.052740
      1998
              0.051074
      2007
              0.047972
     Name: registration_year, dtype: float64>
```

We can see above that the majority of cars were sold between 1998 and 2016.

When we look at high price ranges for the column, we can see a significant jump from 350K dollars and up. Therefore it is safe to remove any data with prices 350K dollars or more. You can also that there are some cars less that 100 dollars. It should be safe to keep the prices of any car a dollar and up since Ebay is a site well-known for auctioning off its products.

```
[21]: #Only looking at cars between $1 and $350,000 dollars in order to narrow down

→common pricing a bit better.

autos = autos[autos['price'].between(1, 350000)]

autos.shape
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[21]: (46681, 20)

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[22]: #General statistical info. on 'price' column.
autos['price'].describe()
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[22]: count
                 46681.000000
      mean
                  5977.716801
                  9177.909479
      std
                     1.000000
      min
      25%
                  1250.000000
      50%
                  3100.000000
      75%
                  7500,000000
               350000.000000
      max
      Name: price, dtype: float64
```

A few of our columns represent dates in the form of strings: - date_crawled - ad_created - last_seen

Here's a look at a few of rows of these columns down below

```
[23]: #Looking at date columns.
      autos[['date_crawled', 'ad_created', 'last_seen']].head()
[23]:
                date_crawled
                                       ad_created
                                                              last_seen
      0 2016-03-26 17:47:46
                              2016-03-26 00:00:00
                                                   2016-04-06 06:45:54
      1 2016-04-04 13:38:56
                              2016-04-04 00:00:00
                                                   2016-04-06 14:45:08
      2 2016-03-26 18:57:24
                              2016-03-26 00:00:00
                                                   2016-04-06 20:15:37
      3 2016-03-12 16:58:10
                              2016-03-12 00:00:00 2016-03-15 03:16:28
                              2016-04-01 00:00:00 2016-04-01 14:38:50
      4 2016-04-01 14:38:50
     We're only interested in the dates, not the times.
[24]: #Not worried about times, the dates so we'll be taking the 1st 10 characters in
      → each of the dates column.
      (autos['date_crawled'].str[:10].value_counts(normalize=True, dropna=False).
       →sort_index())
[24]: 2016-03-05
                    0.025192
      2016-03-06
                    0.014160
      2016-03-07
                    0.036246
      2016-03-08
                    0.033547
      2016-03-09
                    0.033247
      2016-03-10
                    0.032240
      2016-03-11
                    0.032454
      2016-03-12
                    0.036824
      2016-03-13
                    0.015874
      2016-03-14
                    0.036332
      2016-03-15
                    0.034361
      2016-03-16
                    0.029498
      2016-03-17
                    0.031790
      2016-03-18
                    0.012810
      2016-03-19
                    0.034661
      2016-03-20
                    0.038024
      2016-03-21
                    0.037317
      2016-03-22
                    0.032840
      2016-03-23
                    0.032197
      2016-03-24
                    0.029477
      2016-03-25
                    0.031512
      2016-03-26
                    0.032069
      2016-03-27
                    0.030783
      2016-03-28
                    0.034597
      2016-03-29
                    0.034104
      2016-03-30
                    0.033804
      2016-03-31
                    0.031790
      2016-04-01
                    0.033804
      2016-04-02
                    0.035561
      2016-04-03
                    0.038774
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2016-04-05
                    0.013003
      2016-04-06
                    0.003085
      2016-04-07
                    0.001414
      Name: date_crawled, dtype: float64
     Let's do the same for our ad_created column
[25]: #Looking at percentage of cars registered based on unique dates in 'ad_created'
      \hookrightarrow column.
      (autos['ad_created'].str[:10].value_counts(normalize=True, dropna=False).
       →sort_index())
[25]: 2015-06-11
                    0.000021
      2015-08-10
                    0.000021
      2015-09-09
                    0.000021
      2015-11-10
                    0.000021
      2015-12-05
                    0.000021
      2016-04-03
                    0.039009
      2016-04-04
                    0.036953
      2016-04-05
                    0.011782
      2016-04-06
                    0.003170
      2016-04-07
                    0.001264
      Name: ad_created, Length: 74, dtype: float64
     Now for our last_seen column
[26]: #Looking at percentage of cars registered based on unique dates in 'ad_created'
       \rightarrow column.
      (autos['last_seen'].str[:10].value_counts(normalize=True, dropna=False).
       →sort_index())
[26]: 2016-03-05
                    0.001071
      2016-03-06
                    0.004113
      2016-03-07
                    0.005377
      2016-03-08
                    0.007476
      2016-03-09
                    0.009768
      2016-03-10
                    0.010690
      2016-03-11
                    0.012382
      2016-03-12
                    0.023757
      2016-03-13
                    0.008654
      2016-03-14
                    0.012660
      2016-03-15
                    0.016002
      2016-03-16
                    0.016281
      2016-03-17
                    0.028084
      2016-03-18
                    0.007219
      2016-03-19
                    0.015617
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2016-04-04

0.036610

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2016-03-20
              0.020629
2016-03-21
              0.020587
2016-03-22
              0.020844
2016-03-23
              0.018359
2016-03-24
              0.019687
2016-03-25
              0.018937
2016-03-26
              0.016795
2016-03-27
              0.015638
2016-03-28
              0.020694
              0.022086
2016-03-29
2016-03-30
              0.024614
2016-03-31
              0.023628
2016-04-01
              0.022943
2016-04-02
              0.024657
2016-04-03
              0.025149
2016-04-04
              0.024121
2016-04-05
              0.125404
2016-04-06
              0.223324
2016-04-07
              0.132752
Name: last_seen, dtype: float64
```

The last_seen date column shows a spike in the last 3 days of sales. This is most likely due to the bidding war strategy when bidders typically wait until the last few days or the last day to make their final bids. The days prior can't have any relevant effect since the percentages are pretty evenly distributed.

```
[27]: #Looking at percentage of cars registered based on unique brands.
      autos['brand'].value_counts(normalize=True)
```

```
[27]: volkswagen
                         0.211264
      bmw
                         0.110045
      opel
                         0.107581
      mercedes_benz
                         0.096463
      audi
                         0.086566
      ford
                         0.069900
      renault
                         0.047150
      peugeot
                         0.029841
      fiat
                         0.025642
      seat
                         0.018273
      skoda
                         0.016409
      nissan
                         0.015274
      mazda
                         0.015188
      smart
                         0.014160
      citroen
                         0.014010
      toyota
                         0.012703
      hyundai
                         0.010025
      sonstige_autos
                         0.009811
```

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volvo
                   0.009147
mini
                   0.008762
mitsubishi
                   0.008226
honda
                   0.007840
kia
                   0.007069
alfa_romeo
                   0.006641
porsche
                   0.006127
suzuki
                   0.005934
chevrolet
                   0.005698
chrysler
                   0.003513
dacia
                   0.002635
daihatsu
                   0.002506
jeep
                   0.002271
subaru
                   0.002142
land_rover
                   0.002099
saab
                   0.001649
jaguar
                   0.001564
daewoo
                   0.001500
trabant
                   0.001392
rover
                   0.001328
lancia
                   0.001071
lada
                   0.000578
Name: brand, dtype: float64
```

The top 5 car brands on this list are all German made. The top German brand more than doubles the next car brand from the next country. We'll limit our analysis to brands that accounts for more than 5% of the total sales data

Average price for each car brand in the top 6 in descending order: [('audi', 9336.69), ('mercedes_benz', 8628.45), ('bmw', 8332.82), ('volkswagen', 5402.41),

```
('ford', 3749.47), ('opel', 2975.24)]
```

As we can see, the cheapest commonly sold brands are ford and opel.

The most expensive commonly sold brands are audi and mercedes_benz.

The car brands commonly sold that are priced in between are bmw and volkswagen.

Out of the top 6 cars on the list, volkswagens are the most commonly sold car although it is priced in between which shows that customers not only value saving money, but they also value quality as well. Volkswagen cars are known for their top quality, safety, and engineering.

```
[30]: #Create a series for common_brand_dict.
      bmp_series = pd.Series(common_brand_dict)
      print(bmp_series)
     volkswagen
                       5402.41
                       8332.82
     bmw
     opel
                       2975.24
     mercedes_benz
                       8628.45
     audi
                       9336.69
     ford
                       3749.47
     dtype: float64
[31]: #Convert common brand dict series to a Dataframe.
      mean_price_df = pd.DataFrame(bmp_series, columns=['mean_price'])
      mean_price_df
[31]:
                     mean_price
                        5402.41
      volkswagen
      bmw
                        8332.82
      opel
                        2975.24
      mercedes_benz
                        8628.45
      audi
                        9336.69
      ford
                        3749.47
[32]: avg_mileage_dict = {}
      for brand in most_common_brands:
          selected row = autos[autos['brand'] == brand]
          #Converting Kilometers to Miles.
          mileage = (selected_row['odometer_km'] / 1.609)
          mean_mileage = mileage.mean()
          #Round values to 2 decimal places.
          avg_mileage_dict[brand] = round(mean_mileage, 2)
[33]: #Create a series for avg_mileage_dict
      avg_mileage_series = pd.Series(avg_mileage_dict)
      avg_mileage_series
```

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[33]: volkswagen
                       79992.02
      bmw
                       82394.35
      opel
                       80366.71
      mercedes_benz
                       81285.50
      audi
                       80271.84
      ford
                       77231.83
      dtype: float64
[34]: #Convert avg mileage dict series to a Dataframe.
      avg_mileage_df = pd.DataFrame(avg_mileage_series, columns=['avg_mileage'])
      avg_mileage_df
[34]:
                     avg_mileage
      volkswagen
                        79992.02
                        82394.35
      bmw
      opel
                        80366.71
      mercedes_benz
                        81285.50
      audi
                        80271.84
      ford
                        77231.83
[35]: #Combine both Dataframes
      pd.concat([mean_price_df, avg_mileage_df], axis=1)
[35]:
                     mean_price avg_mileage
                        5402.41
      volkswagen
                                     79992.02
      bmw
                        8332.82
                                     82394.35
      opel
                        2975.24
                                     80366.71
      mercedes_benz
                        8628.45
                                     81285.50
                                     80271.84
      audi
                        9336.69
      ford
                        3749.47
                                     77231.83
```

We observe that avg_mileage doesn't vary as much as the avg_price. We can see that the more expensive brands (BMV, Audi, and Mercedez Benz) tend to have higher mileages on average than the cheaper brands with Opel being the only exception.

```
[36]: #Replacing German words with their English equivalents.
   autos['seller'] = autos['seller'].replace('privat','private')
   autos['offer_type'] = autos['offer_type'].replace('Angebot','Offer')
   autos['vehicle_type'] = autos['vehicle_type'].replace('kleinwagen','small_car')
   autos['vehicle_type'] = autos['vehicle_type'].replace('kombi','station_wagon')
   autos['vehicle_type'] = autos['vehicle_type'].replace('cabrio', 'convertible')
   autos['vehicle_type'] = autos['vehicle_type'].replace('andere','other')
   autos['gearbox'] = autos['gearbox'].replace('automatik','automatic')
   autos['gearbox'] = autos['gearbox'].replace('manuell', 'manual')
   autos['unrepaired_damage'] = autos['unrepaired_damage'].replace('ja', 'yes')
```

Our dates columns currently contain dates and times. We want those columns to contain dates

only and we also want to remove all the -s in those dates which will allow us to convert the dates

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to integers.
[37]: #Retrieving just the date and not the times and then converting them to type,
       \rightarrow integers
      autos['last_seen'] = autos['last_seen'].str[:10]
      autos['date_crawled'] = autos['date_crawled'].str[:10]
      autos['ad_created'] = autos['ad_created'].str[:10]
      autos['last_seen'] = autos['last_seen'].str.replace('-','').astype(int)
      autos['date_crawled'] = autos['date_crawled'].str.replace('-','').astype(int)
      autos['ad created'] = autos['ad created'].str.replace('-','').astype(int)
[37]:
             date_crawled
                 20160326
                                              Peugeot_807_160_NAVTECH_ON_BOARD
                                   BMW_740i_4_4_Liter_HAMANN_UMBAU_Mega_Optik
      1
                 20160404
      2
                                                    Volkswagen_Golf_1.6_United
                 20160326
                            Smart_smart_fortwo_coupe_softouch/F1/Klima/Pan...
      3
                 20160312
      4
                 20160401
                            Ford_Focus_1_6_Benzin_TÜV_neu_ist_sehr_gepfleg...
                             Audi_Q5_3.0_TDI_qu._S_tr.__Navi__Panorama__Xenon
      49995
                 20160327
                            Opel_Astra_F_Cabrio_Bertone_Edition___TÜV_neu+...
      49996
                 20160328
      49997
                 20160402
                                                Fiat_500_C_1.2_Dualogic_Lounge
      49998
                 20160308
                                            Audi_A3_2.0_TDI_Sportback_Ambition
      49999
                                                            Opel_Vectra_1.6_16V
                 20160314
              seller offer_type
                                    price
                                            ab test
                                                      vehicle_type
                                                                    registration_year
      0
                           Offer
                                                                bus
             private
                                   5000.0
                                            control
                                                                                   2004
      1
             private
                           Offer
                                   8500.0
                                            control
                                                         limousine
                                                                                   1997
      2
                           Offer
                                   8990.0
                                                         limousine
             private
                                               test
                                                                                   2009
      3
                           Offer
             private
                                   4350.0
                                            control
                                                         small_car
                                                                                   2007
                           Offer
      4
             private
                                   1350.0
                                                     station_wagon
                                                                                   2003
                                               test
      49995
                           Offer
                                  24900.0
                                                         limousine
                                                                                   2011
             private
                                            control
      49996
             private
                           Offer
                                   1980.0
                                            control
                                                        convertible
                                                                                   1996
      49997
             private
                           Offer
                                  13200.0
                                                        convertible
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                                               test
      49998
             private
                           Offer
                                  22900.0
                                                                                   2013
                                            control
                                                     station_wagon
      49999
             private
                           Offer
                                   1250.0
                                            control
                                                         limousine
                                                                                   1996
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49996
          manual
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                                           150000.0
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                               astra
49997
       automatic
                          69
                                  500
                                             5000.0
                                                                       11
                                                                              benzin
49998
          manual
                         150
                                   a3
                                            40000.0
                                                                       11
                                                                              diesel
49999
          manual
                         101
                             vectra
                                           150000.0
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                                                                              benzin
             brand unrepaired_damage
                                                     nr_of_pictures
                                                                       postal_code
                                        ad_created
0
                                          20160326
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                                                                              79588
          peugeot
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1
               bmw
                                          20160404
                                                                              71034
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2
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       volkswagen
                                          20160326
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                                    no
3
             smart
                                                                    0
                                                                              33729
                                          20160312
                                    no
                                                                    0
4
              ford
                                    no
                                          20160401
                                                                              39218
49995
              audi
                                          20160327
                                                                    0
                                                                              82131
                                    no
49996
              opel
                                          20160328
                                                                    0
                                                                              44807
                                    no
                                                                    0
                                                                              73430
49997
              fiat
                                          20160402
                                    no
49998
              audi
                                    no
                                          20160308
                                                                    0
                                                                              35683
                                                                    0
49999
              opel
                                          20160313
                                                                              45897
                                    no
       last_seen
0
        20160406
1
        20160406
2
        20160406
3
        20160315
4
        20160401
49995
        20160401
49996
        20160402
49997
        20160404
49998
        20160405
49999
        20160406
```

Now let's take a look at whether or not there are price discrepencies based on whether or not cars with histories of damages have been repaired. We'll do this using a dictionary.

[46681 rows x 20 columns]

```
[38]: yes_no = ['yes','no']

#Creating a dictionary for damaged prices

damaged_prices = {}

#Finding the average price of each car based on whether or not they are damaged_

→ and then storing them in dictionary

#before making final analysis.

for answer in yes_no:

selected_rows = autos[autos['unrepaired_damage'] == answer]

mean_price = selected_rows['price'].mean()

damaged_prices[answer] = round(mean_price,2)

damaged_prices
```

[38]: {'yes': 2241.15, 'no': 7164.03}

We can see that cars with unrepaired damage are much cheaper than cars without damage on average.