# **MASTER TABLE CREATION**

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### INTRODUCTION

This report presents a comprehensive summary of the work conducted by our team during the data analysis internship project. The primary objective was to construct a robust master table by integrating multiple datasets—Userdata, Cognito, LearnerOpportunity, Opportunity, and Cohort—into a unified, analysis-ready format. This process involved systematic data exploration, preprocessing, and validation steps to ensure high data quality and analytical value.

Throughout the project, our focus remained on identifying and resolving key data issues such as inconsistent formats, missing values, invalid joins, and redundant columns. We performed detailed join operations, standardized null representations, reformatted timestamps, and executed logic-driven row deletions to refine the dataset. The resulting master table serves as a reliable foundation for downstream reporting, modeling, and visualization efforts.

This report outlines the phased approach undertaken, beginning with understanding and documenting individual datasets, followed by constructing and validating the master table. In addition, it highlights the rationale behind each decision, the challenges faced during data integration, and the strategies employed to overcome them. The experience has strengthened our practical skills in data cleaning, transformation, and quality assurance—critical competencies in the field of data analytics.

### 1. USER DATA:

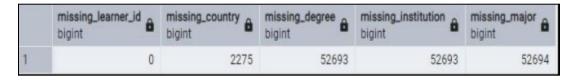
### 1. STRUCTURE OF DATA SET:

Column Name	PostgreSQL type
Learner_id	TEXT
Country	TEXT
Degree	TEXT
Institution	TEXT
Major	TEXT

### 2. PURPOSE OF DATASET:

User data entails information about the level of educational background of learners, country of study, major undertaken and educational institution.

### 3. COLUMNS HAVING MISSING DATA:

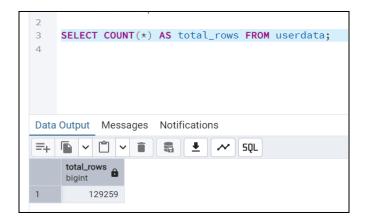


### 4. DUPLICATED RECORDS UNIQUES AND TOTAL ROWS:

# • Unique records:

		unique_learners bigint	unique_countries bigint	unique_degrees bigint	unique_institutions bigint	unique_majors bigint
ı	1	129259	190	7	34567	4503

### · Total Counts of rows:



### 5. INCONSISTENCIES IN FORMATS:

• Make degree, institution, and major follow consistent formatting using title case.

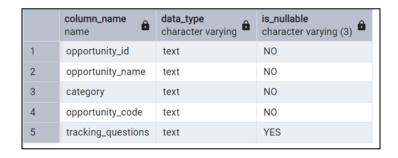
### 6. . ORPHAN RECORDS:

There are no foreign key hence no orphan record

### 2. OPPORTUNITY DATA:

## **Understanding & Identifying Data Issues**

### 1. STRUCTURE OF DATA SET:.



### 2. PURPOSE OF DATASET:

The purpose of the **Opportunity\_Raw(in).csv** dataset is to **store and manage information about various student or participant opportunities**, such as events, competitions, internships, courses, and workshops. These opportunities are likely part of a broader system that tracks engagement, career development, or learning initiatives

### 3. COLUMNS HAVING MISSING DATA:



only tracking questions having 69 null values.

### • FOR TOTAL RECORDS:



### 4. DUPLICATED RECORDS:

No duplicate rows.

### 5. INCONSISTENCIES IN FORMATS:

Missing tracking\_questions: Fill with "Not Provided" or mark explicitly as NULL.

No defined format for names/categories: Apply Title Case standardization.

### **6. ORPHAN RECORDS:**

Will be checked later in learner\_oppurtunity data.

# 3. LEARNER OPPORTUNITY DATA:

# **Understanding & Identifying Data Issues**

### 1. STRUCTURE OF DATA SET:.

	column_name name	data_type character varying
1	status	integer
2	enrollment_id	text
3	learner_id	text
4	assigned_cohort	character varying
5	apply_date	text

#### 2. PURPOSE OF DATASET:

The learner\_opportunity\_raw table links learners to specific opportunities and cohorts. It captures when a learner applied (apply\_date), their status, and the cohort they were assigned to for a particular opportunity

# 3. Check for Primary Key Uniqueness:

**SELECT** 

COUNT(\*) AS total\_records, COUNT(DISTINCT enrollment\_id) AS unique\_enrollment\_ids FROM learner\_opportunity\_raw;



# 4. Identify Data Quality Issues:

### 1. Missing values:

	missing_enrollment_id bigint	missing_learner_id bigint	missing_cohort bigint	missing_apply_date bigint	missing_status bigint
1	0	0	13318	188	186

- 13318 missing cohorts
- 188 missing apply dates.
- 186 missing status.

### 2. Duplicate Records:

	enrollment_id text	count bigint
1	Learner#2444d3b7-3204-4b66-a1e2-72172db26	3
2	Learner#d7b8c0bd-8fc7-4a9c-a617-369e3fc6ed	2
3	Learner#6b9871b2-7830-4866-81ad-8674120eb	2
4	Learner#725951b3-90ed-4494-9bb7-573721cfc	2
5	Learner#0b248ca5-aa1e-49c6-b447-4b85701d4	4
6	Learner#b1aa02ae-c3cd-475a-8f3f-a0ebef98113e	2
7	Learner#66cda57a-fac3-4b04-bda9-6ede6a2cb6	2
8	Learner#a63382a5-b12c-4bdb-9138-f68096a4f2	4
9	Learner#8ea9690a-b4e4-4a18-a09b-8efe8fd640	2

There are so many duplicates in enrollment\_id

#### **5. INCONSISTENCIES IN FORMATS:**

- apply\_date is in ISO format string needs conversion to TIMESTAMP
- status is a float might need to map to categories or convert to integer
- ID fields (enrollment\_id, learner\_id) include prefixes that may need stripping

#### 6. ORPHAN RECORDS:

#### • Enrollment ID vs. Learner ID

The enrollment\_id field in the temp\_learner\_opportunity table logically corresponds to the learner\_id in the user\_data table. However, due to inconsistent naming conventions and the absence of a foreign key constraint, this relationship is not enforced at the database level.

Manual validation through SQL joins revealed **186 orphan** records.

**Recommendation:** Standardize column names and implement a foreign key constraint to enforce referential integrity.

Opportunity Data Relationship: The relationship between opportunity\_data and learner\_opportunity\_data is intact.
 Observation: 0 orphan records were found—indicating a consistent link between opportunities and learner assignments.

#### • Cohort Code Consistency:

A query checking the consistency between assigned\_cohort in temp\_learner\_opportunity and cohort\_code in cohort\_data revealed **13,318 orphan records**.

**Issue:** This suggests a significant mismatch, likely due to inconsistent values or missing data in cohort data

## 3. Documentation for ETL Planning:

Issue Type	Column	Action Needed
Missing Values	assigned_cohort	Investigate; set as NULL or default if needed
Missing Values	apply_date	Convert or flag NULLs
Missing Values	status	Decide: default, flag, or remove
Format Issue	apply_date	Convert to TIMESTAMP
Format Issue	status	Consider converting float → INT or status mapping
Format Inconsistency	learner_id	Remove "Opportunity#" prefix for joins
Format Inconsistency	enrollment_id	Remove "Learner#" prefix if used for joins

Issue Type	Column	Action Needed		
Missing Values	sing Values assigned_cohort Investigate; set as NULL or default if needed			
Missing Values	apply_date	Convert or flag NULLs		
Duplicates	Entire rows	No duplicates found		

# 4 .COGNITO DATA

# **Understanding & Identifying Data Issues**

# 1. STRUCTURE OF DATASET

Column Name	Data Type
usercreatedate	timestamp without time zone
userlastmodifieddate	timestamp without time zone
birthdate	date
city	character varying
zip	character varying
user_id	character varying
states	character varying
email	character varying
gender	character varying

# 2. Preview Sample Data

user_id	email	gender	usercreatedate	userlastmodifieddate	birthdate	city	zip	states
00010567-1336-433c-a941-a612b3d2fbb0	gikonyosalome19@gmail.com	Female	25:58.4	32:50.9	5/4/1996	NAVASHA	20117	NAKURU
aab8bd67 af63 4e21 816b 101cf05f9a79	evelyn.natasha.guo@gmail.com	NULL	07.08.1	07:20.7	NULL	NULL	NULL	NULL
4656095f-a932-4889-ae96-3b77ff60f1e4	lauren.singh@rocketmail.com	Female	23:54.3	47:51.8	4/5/1990	Queens Village	11428	NY
76b5629f-a024-4de8-9f10-59ebf8fd019b	anihmercy2019@gmail.com	Female	04:21.7	12:28.6	12/28/1998	Ibadan	200221	Oyo
db17206b-2017-4b6a-9462-fc2bc7fdfb91	lagrimasamie@gmail.com	Female	36:26.4	10:24.5	5/5/1999	Malolos City	3000	Bulacan
78de6832-decf-4dab-b7cf-d953acc7c746	kolayinka777@gmail.com	NULL	19:21 4	20:06:2	NULL	NULL	NULL	NULL
2444d3b7-3204-4b66-a1e2-72172db26b33	ujjwal pandey2103@gmail.com	Male	58:57.6	04:22.0	3/21/2000	New Delhi	110045	Dehi
fec90f6c-de9e-4594-9248-4a5d53ff6a7e	amaliataabazuing@gmail.com	Female	25:14.7	65:42.2	4/22/2002	Kumasi	233	Ashanti Region
9a4fea59-426a-42e8-ab0d-ed9c0adc6139	230688@d230.org	NULL	33.12.7	32.14.9	NULL	NULL	NULL	NULL
5717680d-968a-40fd-a1c5-798aed4440f7	vonyedka35@gmail.com	NULL	58:37.4	57:57.2	NULL	NULL	NULL	NULL

### 3. Check for Primary Key Uniqueness



### Findings:

user\_id is the strongest candidate for a Primary Key (PK) — every entry is unique and complete.

### 4. Identify Data Quality Issues:

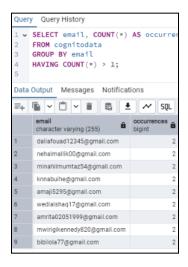
Missing Values



## Findings:

 There are a number of missing values in gender, city, zip and states columns

# • Duplicate Email Records



### **Findings:**

• There are 8 emails that have been used more than once

# 5. Inconsistent City/State Formatting:

Inconsistent Cities	Inconsistent State
Abakailiki	abia
Abakakili	Abia
Abakaliki	ABIA
Accar	Abia s
Accera	abia state
Accea	Abia state
Acceq	Abia State
accra	ABIA STATE
Accra	ablekuma
ACCRA	Ablekuma
addis ababa	Abu dabhi
Addis Ababa	abu dhabi
ADDIS ABABA	Abu dhabi
addis abeba	Abu Dhabi
Addis abeba	Abu Dhabi uae

### **Findings:**

- 1. Inconsistent Naming of States and Cities:
  - Multiple variations in the spelling of Abu Dhabi (e.g., Abu dabhi, abu dhabi, Abu Dhabi uae).

- Lack of standardization in capitalization (e.g., abu dhabi vs. Abu Dhabi).
- Inclusion of extra descriptors such as "UAE" in some entries.

### 2. Misspellings and Typos:

- Various locations with spelling errors or incorrect characters.
- Inconsistent representations due to minor spelling mistakes.

### 3. Extra White Spaces:

- Leading or trailing spaces causing discrepancies.
- Multiple spaces between words affecting data consistency.

### • Future Birthdates:



### **Findings:**

- There are no birthdays that haven't happened yet
- Creation Date After Modification Date



# 6. Document Issues & Plan for ETL

Issue Type	Column(s)	Observation	Suggested ETL Fix
Missing Data	gender, city, zip, states	Concerning number of missing values	Default to "unknown" or flag for review
Duplicate Records	email	Duplicate emails found	Retain latest by UserLastModifiedDate
Format Inconsistency	city, states	Inconsistent Naming, Misspellings, Typos or extra white spaces	Required normalization
Format Issues	zip	Non-standard formats	Normalize or flag

### **5. COHORT DATA:**

# **Understanding & Identifying Data Issues:**

### 1. STRUCTURE OF DATASET:

Column Name	PostgreSQL type
Cohort_id	TEXT
Cohort_code	TEXT
Start_date	bigint
End_date	bigint
size	bigint

### 2. PURPOSE OF DATASET:

The cohort\_data dataset is designed to monitor groups of learners enrolled in particular educational programs over a defined time period. Each cohort is characterized by:

- A unique identifier (cohort\_id, cohort\_code)
- The number of learners in the group (cohort size)
- Start and end dates indicating the duration of the cohort.

#### **TOTAL RECORDS:**

- Total Records: 639 rows
- 3. Identify Data Quality Issues:

```
-- Check for NULLS
SELECT COUNT(*) FROM cohortraw WHERE cohort_id IS NULL OR cohort_code IS NULL OR size IS NULL;
-- Check for duplicates
SELECT cohort_id, cohort_code, COUNT(*) FROM cohortraw
GROUP BY cohort_id, cohort_code
HAVING COUNT(*) > 1;
```

#### MISSING VALUES:

- Missing Values: None. All columns are fully populated.
- Duplicate Records: 0 duplicate rows detected.

#### 4. INCONSISTENCIES IN FORMATS:

The cohort\_code contains a Short alphanumeric identifier so keep its datatype VARCHAR(20) instead of text.

- As the cohort\_id has no content, check if the cohort\_code is unique so we could set it as a primary key and drop cohort\_id column
- As start\_date and end\_date is in text, convert it into DATE datatype or TImeStamp.
- **5. ORPHAN RECORDS**: Right now there is no link between Cohort and Learners.

### **6. MARKETING DATA:**

# **Understanding & Identifying Data Issues:**

### 1. STRUCTURE OF DATASET:

COLUMN NAME	DETECTED DATATYPE
Ad Account Name	TEXT
Campaign name	TEXT
Delivery status	TEXT
Delivery level	TEXT
Reach	INTEGER
Outbound clicks	INTEGER
Landing page views	INTEGER
Result type	TEXT
Results	INTEGER
Cost per result	NUMERIC (FLOAT)
Amount spent (AED)	NUMERIC (FLOAT)
CPC (cost per link click)	NUMERIC (FLOAT)
Reporting starts	DATE
грс	NUMERIC (FLOAT)

### 2. PURPOSE OF DATASET:

The marketing campaign dataset is designed to analyze the performance and efficiency of digital advertising efforts. It helps track key metrics such as reach, clicks, conversions, and cost-related figures. This enables marketers to evaluate campaign effectiveness, optimize future strategies, and make data-driven decisions for better return on investment (ROI)

### 3. Identify Data Quality Issues:

### 1. Missing Values

- Check for NaN or blanks:
- rpc has missing values in some records.

### 2. Duplicate Records

Duplicates may occur if the same campaign is reported multiple times.

- 4. Inconsistent Formats:
- Campaign names use inconsistent prefixing like #, ##, or ###.
- Values like Reach, Cost, Results are floats/integers—may need standard rounding.
- Dates are uniform (YYYY-MM-DD) good.

### 5. Document Findings for ETL Planning

Issue	Column(s)	Transformation Required
Missing values	rpc	Fill with derived values or flag for review
Inconsistent campaign naming	Campaign name	Standardize campaign names (remove #, use proper casing)
Outliers in performance metrics	Reach, Results, rpc	Flag records that are statistically extreme
Duplicate campaign entries	Campaign name	Remove or deduplicate based on highest Results or latest
Mixed format in naming prefixes	Campaign name	Remove or normalize prefixing (#, ##, ###)

# **Overview:**

This document summarizes the full data cleaning lifecycle applied to the master\_table, which was created by joining and integrating multiple sources: **userdata**, **cognito**, **learneropportunity**, **Opportunity**, **and master\_cohort**. The goal was to produce a reliable, analysis-ready table for downstream reporting, modeling, and visualization.

### **Initial Problems Identified:**

#### 1. Null Values in Critical Columns:

opportunity\_id, assigned\_cohort, opportunity\_name, opportunity\_code, and several cohort fields contained high NULL counts.

#### 2. Text-Based Nulls:

Many columns contained 'null', 'NULL', 'none', and blank strings as text, which PostgreSQL doesn't recognize as real NULLs.

#### 3. Date Format Issues:

Epoch milliseconds needed conversion into timestamp fields for columns like start\_date, end\_date, and apply\_date.

# 4. Missing Key Fields:

Joins failed for rows with missing learner\_id, opportunity\_id, or cohort\_code.

#### 5. Unused Columns:

tracking\_questions had high NULLs and was deemed unnecessary for final analysis.

# **Master Table Join Summary:**

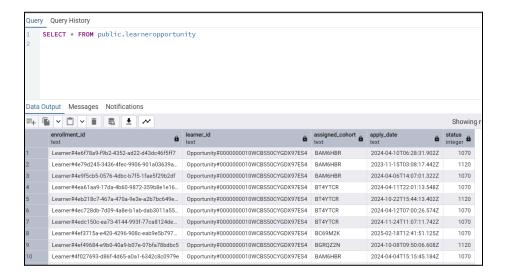
Join With Table	Why We Join It	What Info It Adds
Userdata (Base)	Main learner details	Country, degree, institution, major
Cognito	Identity data (via user_id)	Email, gender, location, birthdate
LearnerOpportunity	Applications history	Cohort applied to, application date, status
Opportunity	Opportunity metadata	Category, name, code, tracking info
Cohort	Cohort structure	Start/end date, duration, size
MarketingCampaign (optional)	Campaign performance	Clicks, reach, cost per application (join not direct — aggregate separately)

# Primary Key (PK) and Foreign Key (FK) Summary:

Table	Primary Key (PK)	Foreign Key (FK)
Userdata	learner_id	_
Cognito	user_id	— (joined to Userdata.learner_id after strip)
LearnerOpportunity	enrollment_id	learner_id, assigned_cohort
Opportunity	opportunity_id	Can join with LearnerOpportunity if opportunity assigned is available
Cohort	cohort_code	_

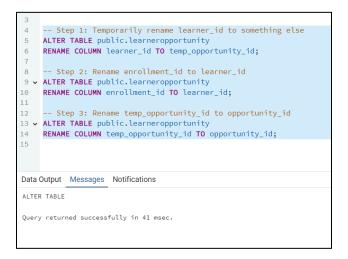
 Found Issue of inappropriate column names, enrollment\_id (should be learner\_id)

### **Before:**

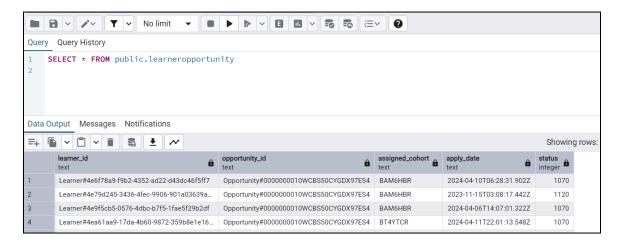


### **Resolving Identified Issues:**

# Learner\_id to be opportunity\_id



# After resolving the issue:



# **Key Relationships (Joins)**

From Table	Join Column	To Table	Join Column
userdata	learner_id	cognito	REPLACE(user_id)
userdata	learner_id	learneropportunity	learner_id
learneropportunity	opportunity_id	"Opportunity"	opportunity_id
learneropportunity	assigned_cohort	master_cohort	cohort_code

# **MASTER TABLE:**

### **ER Table for Master Table Structure:**

Table Name	Column Name	Key Type	Description
userdata	learner_id	PK	Unique identifier for each learner
userdata	country		Country of the learner
userdata	degree		Degree type (e.g., undergraduate)
userdata	institution		Institution name
userdata	major		Major or specialization
cognito	user_id	PK	Matches `learner_id` after stripping 'Learner#'
cognito	email		Email address
cognito	gender		Gender of learner

cognito	usercreateddate		Account creation time
cognito	userlastmodifieddat e		Last update time
cognito	birthdate		Date of birth
cognito	city		City of residence
cognito	zip		Zip code
cognito	state		State/Province
learneropportunity	learner_id	FK → userdata	Links to learner
learneropportunity	opportunity_id	FK → Opportunity	Links to opportunity
learneropportunity	assigned_cohort	FK → master_cohort	Cohort the learner is assigned to
learneropportunity	apply_date		When the learner applied
learneropportunity	status		Application status
Opportunity	opportunity_id	PK	Unique ID of the opportunity
Opportunity	opportunity_name		Title of the opportunity
Opportunity	category		Type (e.g., internship, event)
Opportunity	opportunity_code		Code identifier
Opportunity	tracking_questions		Optional tracking metadata
master_cohort	cohort_code	PK	Code identifying the cohort
master_cohort	start_date		Cohort start timestamp
master_cohort	end_date		Cohort end timestamp
master_cohort	size		Number of learners in the cohort
master_cohort	duration_days		Derived from (end_date - start_date)

# **Master Table Query:**

```
DROP TABLE IF EXISTS public.master_table;
CREATE TABLE public.master_table AS
SELECT
  -- USERDATA
  u.learner_id,
  u.country,
  u.degree,
  u.institution,
  u.major,
  -- COGNITO (account data)
  c.email,
  c.gender,
  c.usercreatedate,
  c.userlastmodifieddate,
  c.birthdate,
  c.city,
  c.zip,
  c.state,
  -- LEARNER OPPORTUNITY
  lo.opportunity_id,
  lo.assigned_cohort,
  lo.apply_date,
```

```
lo.status,
  -- OPPORTUNITY DETAILS
  o.opportunity_name,
  o.category,
  o.opportunity_code,
  o.tracking_questions,
  -- COHORT DETAILS
  mc.cohort code,
  mc.start_date,
  mc.end_date,
  mc.size AS cohort_size,
  -- DURATION in days
  ROUND(EXTRACT(EPOCH FROM (mc.end_date - mc.start_date)) / 86400)
AS duration_days
FROM public.userdata u
-- Match learner id to learneropportunity
LEFT JOIN public.learneropportunity lo
  ON u.learner_id = lo.learner_id
-- Match with Opportunity table
LEFT JOIN public."Opportunity" o
```

```
ON lo.opportunity_id = o.opportunity_id

-- Join with Cognito (strip 'Learner#' from learner_id)

LEFT JOIN public.cognito c

ON c.user_id = REPLACE(u.learner_id, 'Learner#', ")

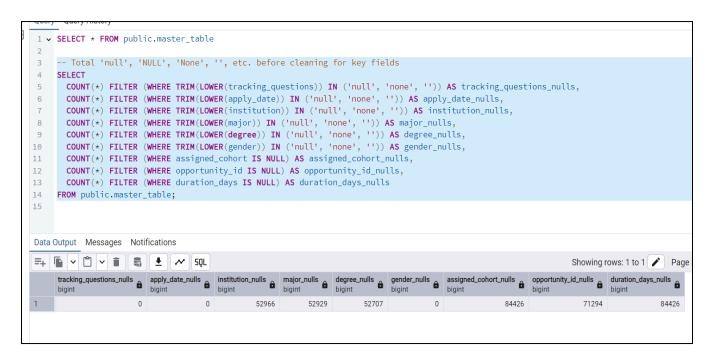
-- Join with master_cohort

LEFT JOIN public.master_cohort mc
```

ON lo.assigned\_cohort = mc.cohort\_code;

### **DATA CLEANING PROCESS:**

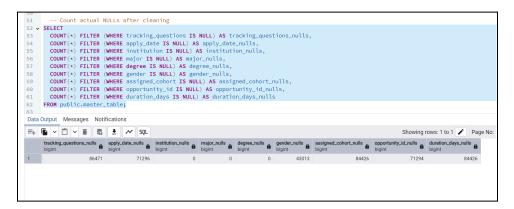
Total Null Values Count from the Master Table



• Resolving the issue: Standardize Nulls (Text to Real NULL)

```
16 • UPDATE public.master_table
17 SET
18
      tracking_questions = NULLIF(TRIM(tracking_questions), ''),
19
     category = NULLIF(TRIM(category), ''),
opportunity_name = NULLIF(TRIM(opportunity_name), ''),
21     opportunity_code = NULLIF(TRIM(opportunity_code), ''),
apply_date = NULLIF(TRIM(apply_date), ''),
      institution = NULLIF(TRIM(institution), ''),
23
24
      degree = NULLIF(TRIM(degree), ''),
25
     major = NULLIF(TRIM(major), ''),
      city = NULLIF(TRIM(city), ''),
26
27
      state = NULLIF(TRIM(state), ''),
28
      zip = NULLIF(TRIM(zip), ''),
       gender = NULLIF(TRIM(gender), ''),
29
30
      email = NULLIF(TRIM(email). '')
Data Output Messages Notifications
UPDATE 53344
Query returned successfully in 9 secs 583 msec.
```

Counting the Actual Nulls (After Cleaning)



Updating the NULL values in gender column as "unknown"

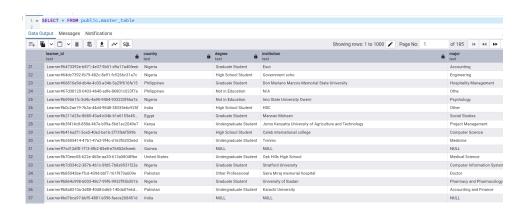
```
63
64 VUPDATE public.master_table
55 SET gender = 'Unknown'
66 WHERE gender IS NULL;
67
68
69

Data Output Messages Notifications

UPDATE 43013

Query returned successfully in 1 secs 619 msec.
```

The master\_table is Still Having Nulls, so we are cleaning again.



Flag missing tracking questions Column:

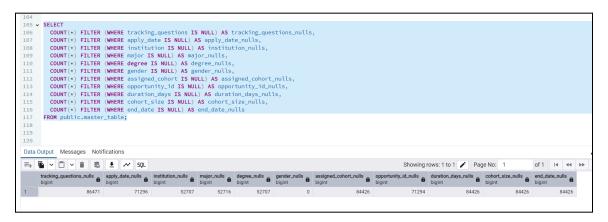
```
97 |
98    ALTER TABLE public.master_table ADD COLUMN is_tracking_missing BOOLEAN;
99    UPDATE public.master_table SET is_tracking_missing = tracking_questions IS NULL;
100
101

Data Output   Messages   Notifications

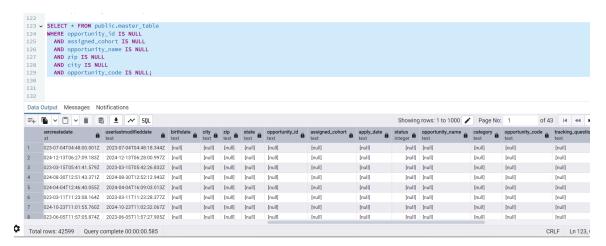
UPDATE 184710

Query returned successfully in 6 secs 256 msec.
```

Tracking Questions Null Preview:



Rows with Multiple NULL Columns (Before):



Deleting all rows from master\_table where all of the following columns are NULL at the same time:

- opportunity\_id
- assigned\_cohort
- opportunity\_name
- zip
- city
- opportunity\_code

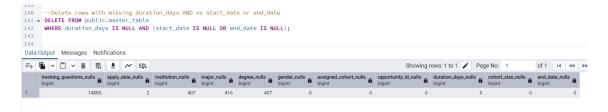
### After Deleting the Rows:

### Count of Nulls After Deleting the Rows



# Delete rows with missing duration\_days AND no start\_date or end\_date

The Total null count as shown in the picture below

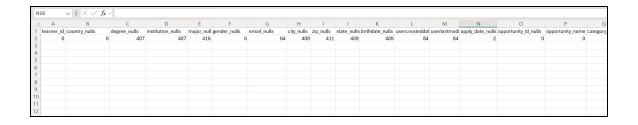


# Updating the Tracking questions to "Not Provided" which resulted in the Shaping the Data



# **Total Nulls Percentage After Cleaning the data:**

А	B	C	D	
	<b>Null Count</b>	<b>Total Rows</b>	Percentage (%)	
institution	538	100284	0.54	
state	473	100284	0.47	
major	419	100284	0.42	
zip	412	100284	0.41	
city	411	100284	0.41	
birthdate	409	100284	0.41	
degree	407	100284	0.41	
email	84	100284	0.08	
usercreate	84	100284	0.08	
userlastmo	84	100284	0.08	
country	37	100284	0.04	
apply_date	2	100284	0	



### **Master Table SQL Queries**

 https://drive.google.com/file/d/1VDfQ4Vv7hN8co90VrdVciHUhA fRguc6a/view?usp=drive\_link

### **Cleaned Master Table Dataset**

 https://drive.google.com/file/d/15QNbwoLhk4K33S3kUzFsSCHj 9MGXdvmg/view?usp=drive\_link

# **Data Cleaning Actions for master\_table:**

- Removed rows missing critical fields (opportunity data + cohort info).
- Replaced NULL gender values with "Unknown".
- Standardized the Regular Null Texts to Actual Nulls,
- Converted timestamp fields and standardized formats.
- Deleted rows with missing duration\_days AND no start\_date or end\_date
- Deleted rows where ALL of the following were missing: opportunity\_id, opportunity name, opportunity code, assigned cohort, city, and zip.
- Deleting the Column Tracking Questions which is resulting around 84000 records are empty
- Deleting the rows of null values from Opportunity\_id Column

# **Conclusion Report**

The master\_table has been thoroughly cleaned, producing a reliable dataset for reporting, modeling, and visualization. Key actions included:

- Removed Incomplete Rows: Deleted records missing critical fields (opportunity\_id, opportunity\_name, opportunity\_code, assigned\_cohort, city, zip) and those lacking duration\_days, start\_date, and end\_date.
- Handled Missing Values: Replaced NULL gender with "Unknown" and converted text-based nulls ('null', 'NULL', 'none') to true NULLs.
- Standardized Formats: Converted epoch timestamps to standard formats and enforced consistent title case for degree, institution, and major.
- Eliminated Redundant Data: Dropped the tracking\_questions column (~84,000 empty records) and rows with NULL opportunity id.

Post-cleaning, NULLs are limited to nonessential fields (<0.5% per column), ensuring no impact on analysis. The dataset is now clean, integrated, and ready for actionable insights. Future steps include automated cleaning scripts and periodic quality checks to maintain integrity.