

1. Key Insights

Platform Usage & Order Flow

- Around **80% of all delivered orders originate from the platform**, indicating strong customer adoption but still leaving a **20% leakage** occurring outside the platform.
- Total order volume is fairly stable month-to-month with minor seasonal dips, but **December shows a sharp drop**, likely due to incomplete data or reduced holiday operations.

Delivery Performance

- **On-Time delivery rate averages ~85%**, consistently below the **90% SLA target(assumed)**.
- Delays remain the largest issue:
 - **FedEx and DHL show the highest delay rates (~10.2%)**
 - GLS and UPS perform slightly better but still remain above 9%.
- **Damaged deliveries are low (1.9–2.3%)**, but FedEx again shows the highest levels.
- Lost orders are very minimal but not zero.

Missing Orders (Operational Gap)

- Each month, **1.6K–1.7K deliveries appear “Not in Orders List”**—meaning they were fulfilled but never registered as platform orders.
- This suggests a **data integration gap** or **off-platform ordering behavior** that reduces visibility and weakens analytics reliability.

Product Category Trends

- Eye-care categories (Eye Allergy, Eye Drops, Eye Vitamins, Eye Wipes) dominate order volume.
- Highest delay-prone categories cluster around:
 - **Eye Allergy > Antihistamine (10.32%)**
 - **Eye Vitamins > Daily (10.27%)**
 - **Eye Drops > Antibiotic (10.21%)**
- On-time performance by product category shows **minimal variation**, but none reach the 90% SLA target (this is assumed Target).

Complaints

- **FedEx leads complaint volume (559 complaints)** — aligning with their poorer delay/damage metrics.
- Complaints peak dramatically in **October**, driven by both seasonal volume and operational strain.

2. Recommendations

A. Improve On-Time Delivery (Primary KPI Gap)

- **Re-evaluate FedEx and DHL SLAs** or shift volume toward higher-performing carriers.
- Introduce **carrier-level incentives** tied directly to SLA compliance.
- Implement early-warning alerts for:
 - Delays >9%
 - Damages >2%

- Sudden monthly spikes (like October)

B. Strengthen Platform Adoption

- With 20% of orders still happening outside the platform:
 - Educate B2B clients on benefits of platform ordering.
 - Offer discounts or loyalty points for platform-placed orders.
 - Investigate operational bottlenecks that force users to order offline.

C. Fix the “Not in Orders List” Gap

- The 1.6–1.7K monthly mismatch is too large to ignore.
- Recommended actions:
 - Audit synchronization between **Order System** → **Delivery System**.
 - Validate unique keys (OrderID) and introduce **mandatory order registration** before fulfillment.
 - Create daily automated checks to detect “orphan deliveries.”

D. Targeted Product-Category Improvements

- For top delay categories:
 - Improve inventory forecasting (especially for Eye Allergy & Vitamins).
 - Validate warehouse-to-carrier handoff times.
 - Standardize packaging to reduce minor damage rates.

E. Address Complaint Root Causes

- Launch a **FedEx-specific complaint reduction initiative**:
 - Joint operational reviews
 - Root cause analysis on delay clusters
 - Standardizing handover protocols

3. Challenges & Assumptions

Data Challenges

- The order dataset aggregates at the **product-line level**, while the delivery dataset aggregates at the **package level**, explaining mismatched ProductIDs.
- December shows incomplete volume and may distort performance KPIs.

Operational Assumptions (Your Assumptions Incorporated)

1. Multiple product lines per order:

Since 88K orders collapse into 80K unique OrderIDs, it is assumed that customers frequently place multi-item orders, which is realistic.

2. Delivery dataset contains 20K non-platform orders:

The difference between 100K delivery OrderIDs and 80K platform OrderIDs suggests:

- A second ordering source exists, OR
- Some orders bypass platform capture.

3. ProductID mismatch between datasets:

The assumption is that deliveries assign a **single aggregated ProductID** per package (shipment-level ID),

whereas orders list each individual product.

This explains why OrderIDs match but ProductIDs differ.

4. **90% SLA target:**

This target is not in the raw data but is assumed based on industry norms.

Analytical Limitations

- Shipment geography is not available, limiting regional performance segmentation.
- The data assumes carriers are responsible for most delays, though warehouse or supplier issues may also contribute.

4. Additional Data that Would Improve the Analysis

- **Carrier-level transit time data** (pickup → delivery) to pinpoint delay stages.
- **Warehouse processing timestamps** to differentiate warehouse delays vs carrier delays.
- **Customer location segments** to identify geographic hotspots.
- **Complaint category breakdowns** (damaged, delay, lost, service) for deeper root-cause analysis.
- **Cost per delivery per carrier** to evaluate performance vs price.
- **Platform usage data per customer** to analyze why 20% of orders bypass the platform.