Trader Behavior vs Market Sentiment Analysis

Introduction

This report analyzes the relationship between market sentiment (Fear & Greed Index) and trader behavior using historical trading data.

Dataset Summary

- Sentiment Dataset: 2644 entries of daily market sentiment (Fear, Greed, etc.)
- **Trader Dataset**: Over 2 lakh trades with attributes like size, PnL, direction, etc.
- Merged on common date field

Key Insights

- PnL is generally higher during Greed phases compared to Fear
- Trade volume (USD) spikes during Greed, indicating riskier behavior
- Buy orders dominate Greed, while Sell orders increase during Fear
- Some accounts consistently profit regardless of sentiment indicating experience

Conclusion

Trader behavior does correlate with market sentiment. Sentiment-aware strategies can enhance decision-making.

Recommendations

- Use Fear/Greed as a signal for position sizing
- Reduce leverage during Fear periods
- Explore automated trading based on sentiment triggers