

Agenda



Project Description

Toys Co. is a fictitious retail chain company in Mexico that wants to analyze its sales data from January 2022 to September 2023 to identify trends, optimize inventory, and improve decision-making.

The project aims to uncover insights such as top-performing products, seasonal trends, store performance, and forecast sales for the next two months to support strategic planning.

Project Objectives

Using SMART criteria (Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Relevant, Timebound) to refine objectives:

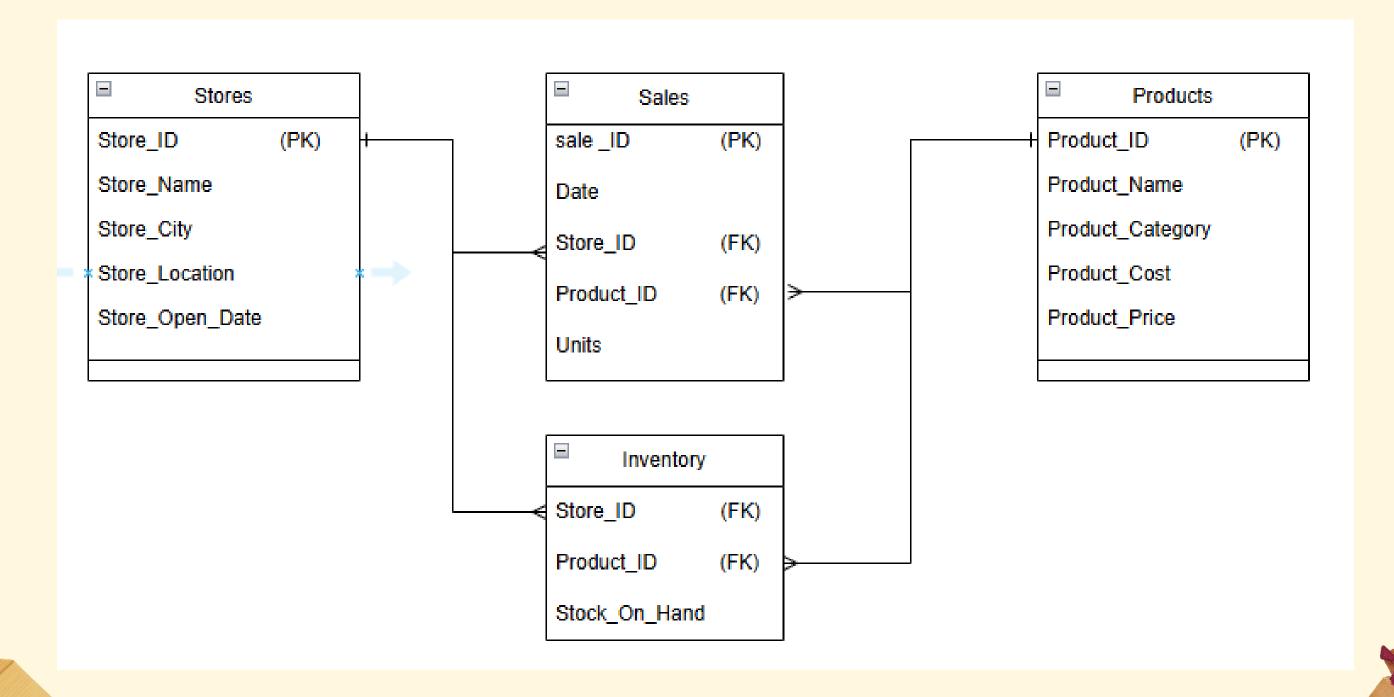
- Analyze sales trends to identify seasonal patterns and optimize promotional strategies.
- Identify the top 10 products by sales revenue and profit to prioritize marketing and inventory efforts.
- Compare location performance by evaluating revenue contributions across regions to improve strategies.

- Examine inventory levels to identify overstocked and high-demand items for better management.
- Review product categories to focus on high-performing segments and improve weaker ones.

Methodology

- Data Source: Maven Analytics Dataset
- Tools Used: Python, SQL, and Tableau
- Data Structure: (Details are provided in the next two slides.)
- Data Analysis Strategy:
 - 1. Collect Data
 - 2. Clean and Prepare Data
 - 3. Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA)
 - 4. Generate Insights
 - 5. Report and Visualize

Data Structure



Data Structure

The dataset consists of four tables, as outlined in the ERD:

1. Stores Table:

- 5 columns: (Store_ID, Store_Name, Store_City, Store_Location, Store_Open_Date)
- 50 rows

2. Sales Table:

- 5 columns: (Sale_ID, Date, Store_ID, Product_ID, Units)
- 829,262 rows

3. Inventory Table:

- 3 columns: (Store_ID, Product_ID, Stock_On_Hand)
- 1,593 rows

4. Products Table:

- 5 columns: (Product_ID, Product_Name, Product_Category, Product_Cost, Product_Price)
- 35 rows

Data Cleaning & Preprocessing

We utilized several functions to clean and prepare the dataset, including:

- isna(): Identified missing values.
- fillna(): Filled in the missing values.
- rename(): Altered axes labels.
- drop_duplicates(): Removed duplicate rows and fixed column data types.
- to_datetime(): Converted the date column from object type to date format.
- replace(): Replaced \$ in the price column and converted it to float numbers.
- Boxplot and quantile were used to detect outliers.
- Added Revenue and Profit columns to the sales table for further analysis.

Key Observations

1.Declining Sales and Profit: Sales decreased by 6.7% (from \$7.5M to \$7.0M), and profit decreased by 18.2% (from \$2.2M to \$1.8M).

2. Category Insights:

- •Toys remained the top sales category, contributing \$2.3M in 2023, despite a \$0.5M decline.
- •Art & Crafts doubled its sales to \$1.8M, rising from the smallest to the second-largest category.
- **3.Regional Dominance**: Downtown locations consistently outperformed, contributing 56% of total sales in 2022 and increasing to 57% of total sales in 2023.

Year-Over-Year Performance

Sales:

2022: \$7.5M

2023: \$7.0M (-6.7%)

Profit:

2022: \$2.2M

2023: \$1.8M (-18.2%)

Units Sold:

2022: 549.5K

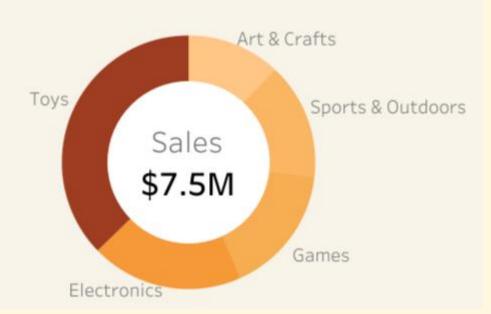
2023: 541.1K (-1.5%)

Orders:

2022: 420.8K

2023: 408.4K (-2.9%)

Sales | By Product Category



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Sales by Category

2022:

- Toys: \$2.8M (37.3%)
- Art & Crafts: \$0.9M (12%)

2023:

- Toys: \$2.3M (32.9%)
- Art & Crafts: \$1.8M (25.7%)

Insight:

Toys remained the top sales category with a \$0.5M decline, while Art & Crafts doubled its sales to become the second-largest contributor.

Profit by Category

2022:

- Electronics: \$674.4K (Top Contributor)
- Art & Crafts: \$272.9K (Second Lowest Contributor)

2023:

- Art & Crafts: \$480.4K (Top Contributor)
- Electronics: \$327.0K (Significant Decline)

Insight:

Art & Crafts overtook Electronics as the top profit contributor in 2023, reflecting a shift in consumer demand.

Profit | By Product Category



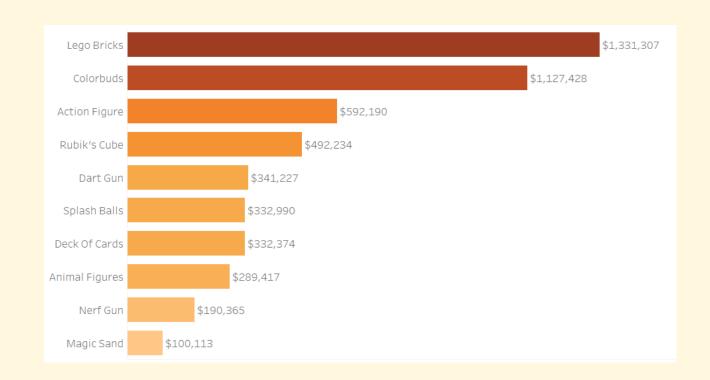
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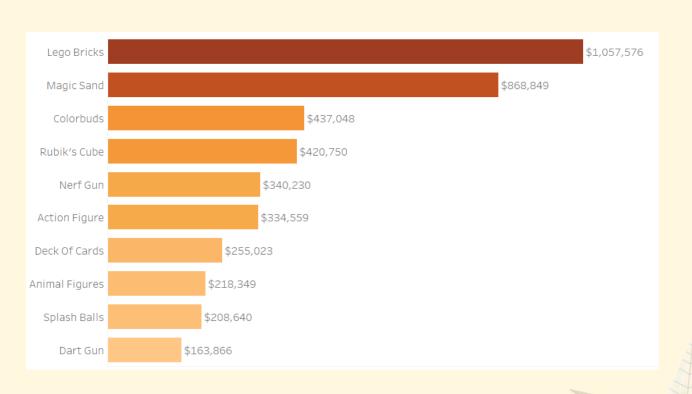


Top Products

By Sales:

- 2022: Lego Bricks (\$1,331.3K), Colorbuds (\$1,127.4K), Action Figures (\$592.2K)
- 2023: Lego Bricks (\$1,057.6K), Magic Sand (\$868.8K), Colorbuds (\$437.0K)

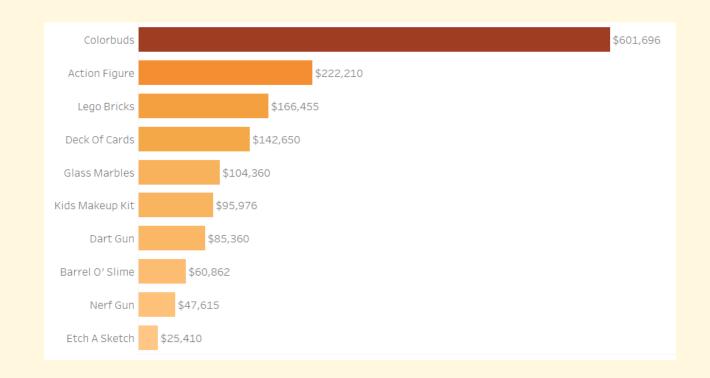


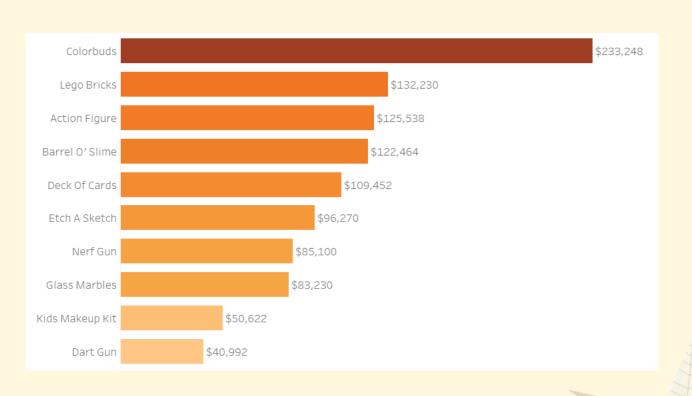


Top Products

By Profit:

- 2022: Colorbuds (\$601.7K), Action Figures (\$222.2K), Lego Bricks (\$166.5K)
- 2023: Colorbuds (\$233.2K), Lego Bricks (\$132.2K), Action Figures (\$125.5K)





Sales | By Store Location



Profit | By Store Location



Store Location Performance

2022:

- Downtown: \$4.2M sales (56%) | \$1,217.9K profit (55%)
- Airport: \$0.7M sales (9%) | \$205.0K profit (9%)

2023:

- Downtown: \$4.0M sales (57%) | \$1,030.8K profit (57%)
- Airport: \$0.6M sales (9%) | \$173.0K profit (10%)

Insight: Downtown stores consistently dominated both years, accounting for over half of total sales and profit, though all locations saw slight declines.

High Priority

1. Focus on Growing Categories:

Action: Increase inventory and marketing efforts for Art & Crafts products to maintain their strong growth.

Impact: Adds an estimated \$0.5M in annual sales, making Art & Crafts an even stronger contributor to the business's success.

2. Electronics:

Action: Review and adjust the prices, introduce new products, and create marketing campaigns to improve Electronics performance.

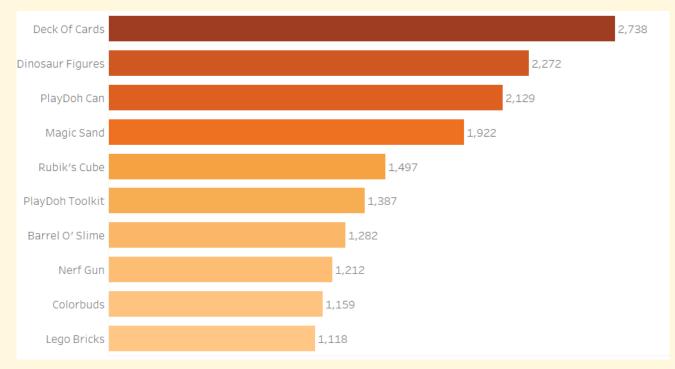
Impact: Recovering just 10% of the profit lost in 2023 could bring in an extra \$65K, helping to strengthen overall business profits.

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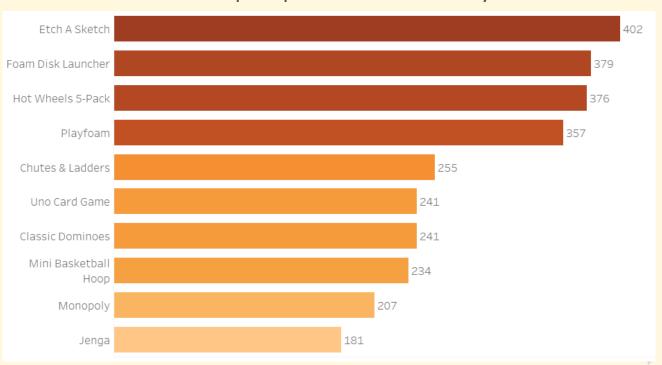
3. Inventory:

Action: Align inventory levels with demand by reducing overstock for slow-moving items (e.g., Deck of Cards) and ensuring sufficient stock for high-demand products like Colorbuds, Lego Bricks, and Action Figures.

Impact: Improves cash flow by freeing up funds tied in unsold stock and reduces storage costs by minimizing overstock of slow-moving items.



"Top 10 products in Inventory"



"Least 10 products in Inventory"

Sales | By Store Location



Profit | By Store Location



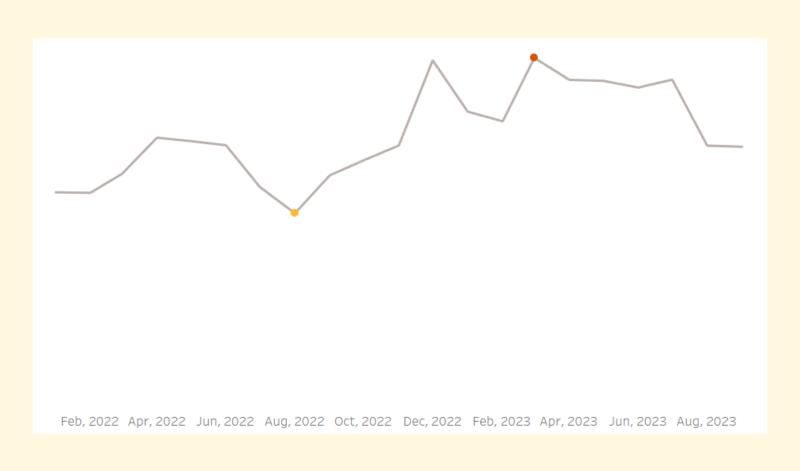
Medium Priority

4. Expand Downtown Advantage:

Action: Introduce loyalty programs and targeted promotions at Downtown stores to further capitalize on their dominance.

Impact: Enhancing customer retention could add \$0.3M to annual revenue.

Medium Priority



5. Leverage Seasonal Trends:

Action: Use historical data to plan seasonal promotions, especially for Toys and Art & Crafts during holidays.

Impact: Targeted campaigns during these peak periods could drive a 5% increase in seasonal sales, translating to an additional \$0.35M in revenue.

Sales | By Store Location



Profit | By Store Location



Low Priority

6. Investigate Underperforming Locations:

Action: Analyze customer feedback and operational challenges at Airport and Residential locations.

Impact: Identifying and addressing issues could stabilize these regions and prevent further declines.

Conclusion

The data reveals both challenges and opportunities:

High Priority: Targeting Art & Crafts growth, revitalizing Electronics, and optimizing inventory directly addresses the largest opportunities and challenges.

Medium Priority: Expanding Downtown advantages and leveraging seasonal trends builds on strong performance and captures peak demand periods.

Low Priority: Investigating underperforming locations stabilizes weaker areas without diverting focus from high-impact opportunities.



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