

#### **Customer Retention Analysis**

## E-retail factors for customer activation and retention: A case study from Indian e-commerce customers

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- Towardsscience.com
- Scikit-learn.org
- Kaggle.com
- Stack overflow, etc

#### Data source

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#### INTRODUCTION

#### What is customer retention?

Customer retention is the collection of activities a business uses to increase the number of repeat customers and to increase the profitability of each existing customer.

Customer retention strategies enable us to both provide and extract more value from our existing customer base. We want to ensure the customers we worked so hard to acquire stay with us, have a great customer experience, and continue to get value from our products.

#### Business Problem Framing

Customer satisfaction has emerged as one of the most important factors that guarantee the success of online store; it has been posited as a key stimulant of purchase, repurchase intentions and customer loyalty. A comprehensive review of the literature, theories and models have been carried out to propose the models for customer activation and customer retention. Five major factors that contributed to the success of an e-commerce store have been identified as: service quality, system quality, information quality, trust and net benefit. The research furthermore investigated the factors that influence the online customers repeat purchase intention. The combination of both utilitarian value and hedonistic values are needed to affect the repeat purchase intention (loyalty) positively. The data is collected from the Indian online shoppers. Results indicate the e-retail success factors, which are very much critical for customer satisfaction.

The company wanted to a data analysis to understand various aspect of customer satisfaction.

#### • Conceptual Background of the Domain Problem

<u>Problem Statement</u>: Analyse the Features affecting Customer Satisfaction & retention and test if brand preference depends on factors like age and gender.

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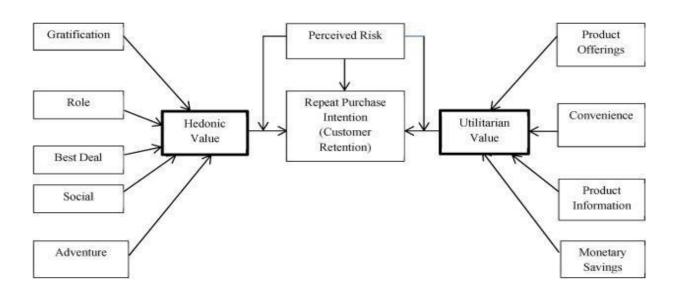
- i) Service quality,
- ii) System quality,
- iii) Information quality,
- iv) Trust
- v) Net benefit

#### • Review of Literature:

E-commerce market has been contributing to the significant growth for the GDP of the country. It has been continuously growing at more 8% CAGR on each year. And customer being a one of the stakeholders for the e-commerce players, every company wants to retain their valuable customer and grow customer loyalty. For improving the customer satisfaction each enterprise investing/spending a lot not only to improve their sales but improve the CSAT, that is customer satisfaction score.

For this project we are provided with a data set to a data analysis to gather insights for the customer feedback and help us understand the customer in a better way.

#### **Diagrammatic Representation of Customer Retention**



#### **Motivation for the Problem Undertaken**

Since e-commerce growth has been significant so far at each industry for the last couple of years, understanding the customer who purchase your product and their journey post order in the platform plays a crucial role for retaining a customer. From the dataset we got the feedback of each of the parameters for a customer and through the data analysis each significant parameter has been dig down and understand the deeper meaning of it. This project helps me understand the objective of customer feedback which at enterprise level has a greater focus.

#### **Analytical Problem Framing**

#### Mathematical/Analytical Modeling of the Problem

 In this project I need to understand the customer satisfaction for each of the parameters provided. I have done the exploratory data analysis process and try to figure out the customer in a better way.

#### Data Sources and their formats

This Dataset is **provided by Flip Robo Technologies xlsx format**. It contains 269 rows and 71 columns and each of the features is extremely important to under the customer.

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2 city
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60 Presence of online assistance through multi-channel	269 non-
null object 61 Longer time to get logged in	269 non-
null object	
62 Longer time in displaying graphics and photos null object	269 non-
63 Late declaration of price	269 non-
null object	
64 Longer page loading time null object	269 non-
65 Limited mode of payment on most products	269 non-
null object	2.52
66 Longer delivery period null object	269 non-
67 Change in website/Application design	269 non-
null object	262
68 Frequent disruption when moving from one page to another null object	269 non-
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69 Website is as efficient as before 269 non-null object

70 Which of the Indian online retailer would you recommend to a friend 269 non-null object

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memory usage: 149.3+ KB

#### Hardware and Software Requirements and Tools

#### Used:

For this dataset, the Hardware is used Windows as operating system, a stable internet connection, and the software used are mainly Jupyter notebook to do my python programming and analysis.

I received data in xlsx format, I had used few libraries on **Jupyter Notebook** for this project. The Libraries are:

- 1. **Pandas** a library which is used to read the data, visualization, and analysis of data.
- 2. **NumPy** used for working with array and various mathematical techniques.
- 3. **Seaborn** visualization tool for plotting different types of plot.
- 4. Matplotlib It provides an object-oriented API for embedding plots into applications.

#### Data Analysis Development and Evaluation

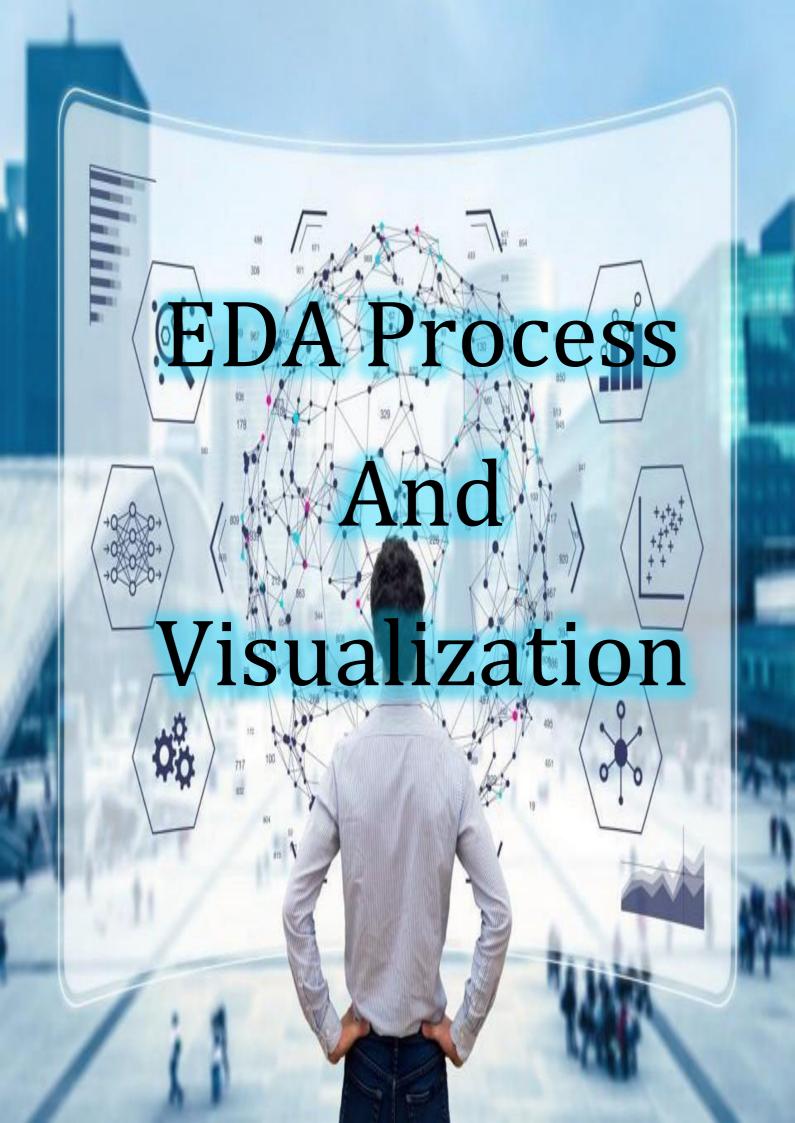
## Identification of possible problem-solving approaches (methods):

For this project I have done EDA to understand the outcome of this dataset. And, I have used various visualization using seaborn & matplotlib package to understand the customer satisfaction in a suitable manner.

## Key Metrics for success in solving problem under consideration

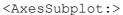
The key metrics that were mainly taken into consideration were the followings:

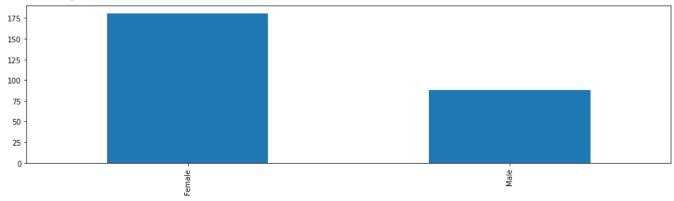
- > Gender of the respondent
- ➤ What browser do you run on your device to access the website?
- ➤ Which device do you use to access the online shopping?
- ➤ Which of the Indian online retailer would you recommend to a friend?
- Quickness to complete purchase
- > Speedy order delivery
- ➤ Presence of online assistance through multi-channel
- ➤ Getting value for money spent
- > Return and replacement policy of the e-tailer is important for purchase decision
- > Shopping online is convenient and flexible
- ➤ Convenient Payment methods
- ➤ User friendly Interface of the website



#### **Exploratory Data Analysis**

#### **Customer Related Information**

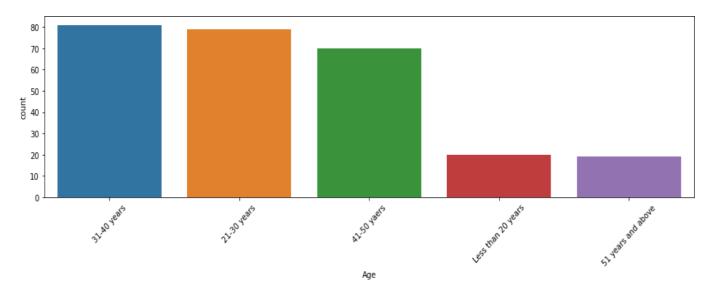




Female 181 Male 88

Name: Gender, dtype: int64

From the above analysis, it has been observed that around 70% of the customers are women

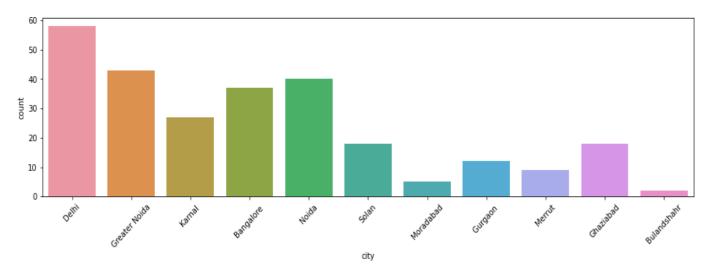


31-40 years 81 21-30 years 79 41-50 yaers 70 Less than 20 years 20 51 years and above 19 Name: Age, dtype: int64

Most of the customers are aged between 31 to 40 years do online shopping,

next comes the customers aged between 21 to 30 yers old and so on as shown in graph above.

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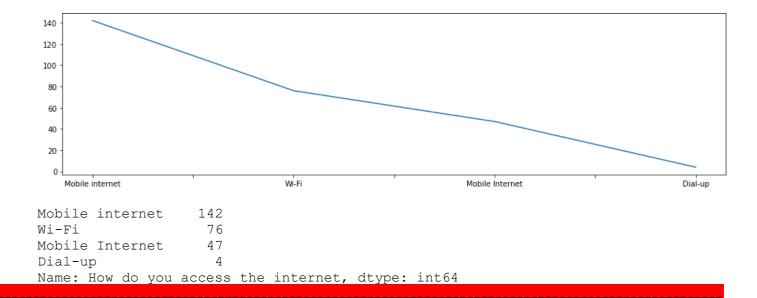


Delhi	58
Greater Noida	43
Noida	40
Bangalore	37
Karnal	27
Solan	18
Ghaziabad	18
Gurgaon	12
Merrut	9
Moradabad	5
Bulandshahr	2

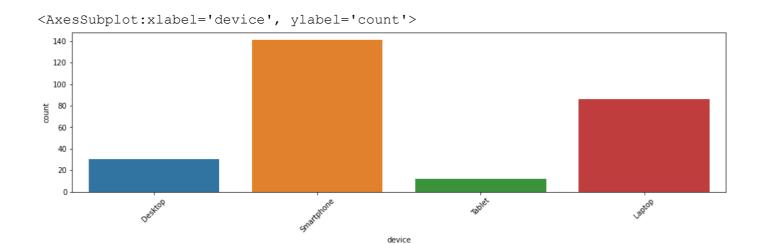
Name: city, dtype: int64

Customers from Delhi have the highest online shopping actions than comes the Greater Noida and least online shopping is in Bulandshahar.

So, we can also say that the people from Metro Cities like Delhi-NCR, Bangalore are more preferred or active on online shopping sites.

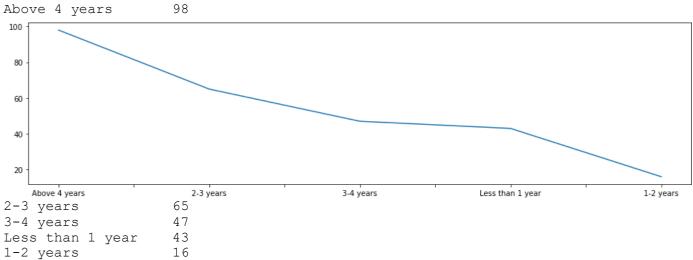


#### # Checking the number of people using which device for online shopping

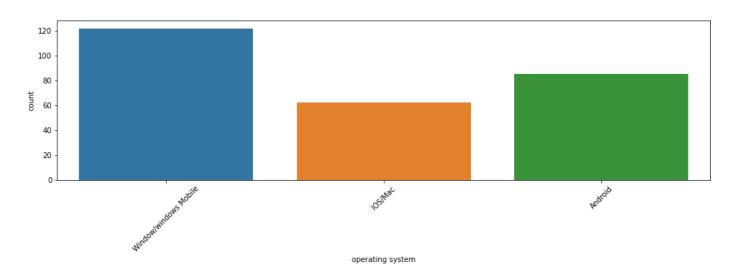


Smartphone 141
Laptop 86
Desktop 30
Tablet 12
Name: device, dtype: int64

Here we can see that mostly people are using smartphone for online shopping. So, we can say that people are very comfortable to use smartphone and It is easier to operate than another device.

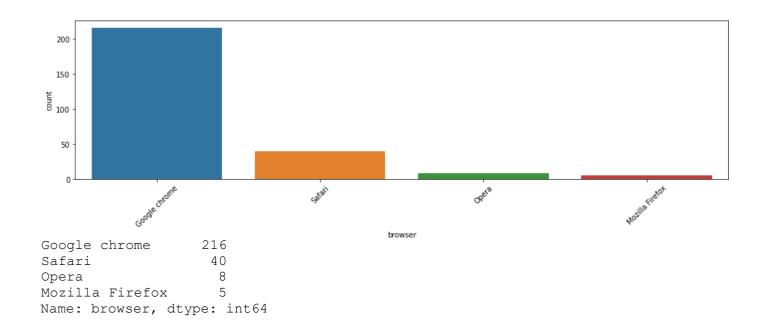


Name: How Long You are Shopping Online, dtype: int64

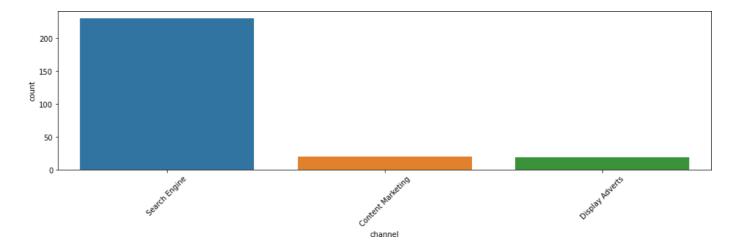


Window/windows Mobile 122
Android 85
IOS/Mac 62

Name: operating system, dtype: int64



According to analysis, Google Chrome has the highest usage browser for online shoppings or we can say that people has lots of faith on Google Chrome for online transactions or shoppings. This is the biggest achievement for Google.



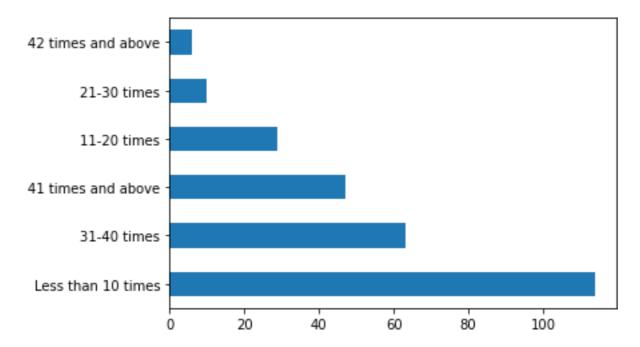
Search Engine 230
Content Marketing 20
Display Adverts 19
Name: channel, dtype: int64

#### **Conclusion From Customer Related Information**

#### Analysis

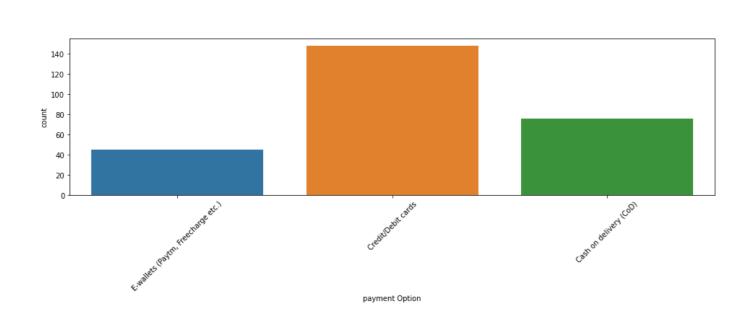
- 1) In people doing online shopping Females are more as compared to Males.
- 2) People in the age group from 21 to 50 are doing more online shopping as compared to other age groups.
- 3) Delhi Topped in the city list where a greater number of people doing online shopping.
- 4) Mostly people are using mobile internet while shopping online.
- 5) Mostly People are doing online shopping through smartphone.
- 6) People having windows as operating system(OS) have maximum count.
- 7) Mostly people are choosing google chrome as browser to access the website
- 8) People are mostly use search engine to arrive at their favourite online store for the first time.
- 9) After first visit people are using application or search engine to access website.

df['How many times in the past 1 year'].value\_counts().plot.barh()



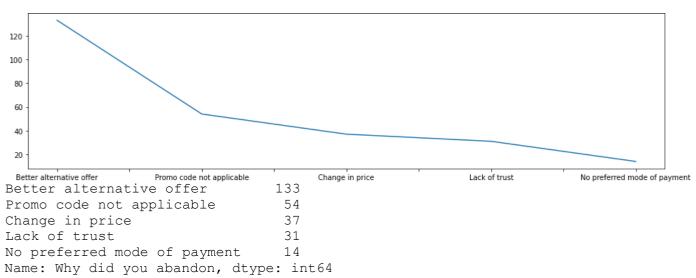
Most customers fall under the category of less than 10 orders per year, around the same number fall under the category where no of orders is more than 30

The number of customers who made more than 30 would be our area of interest are they are loyal customers / likely to purchase more

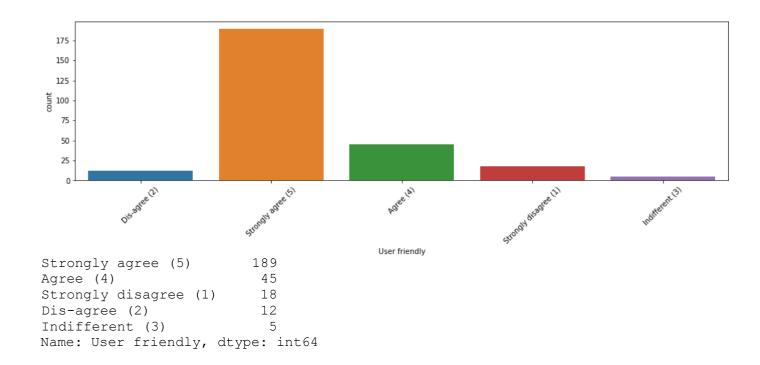


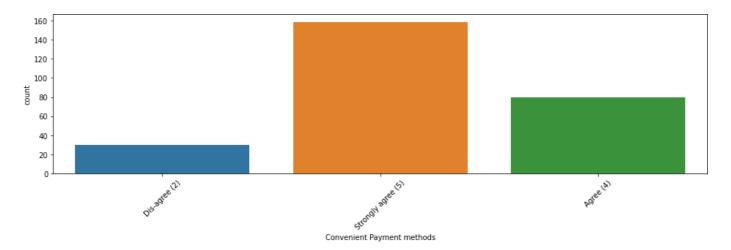
Credit/Debit cards 148
Cash on delivery (CoD) 76
E-wallets (Paytm, Freecharge etc.) 45
Name: payment Option, dtype: int64

## Mostly people are using credit and debit cards as their preferred payment option.



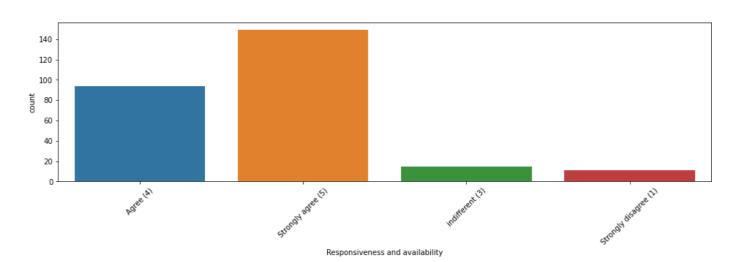
# Now we are analysing the Feed-Back from Customers





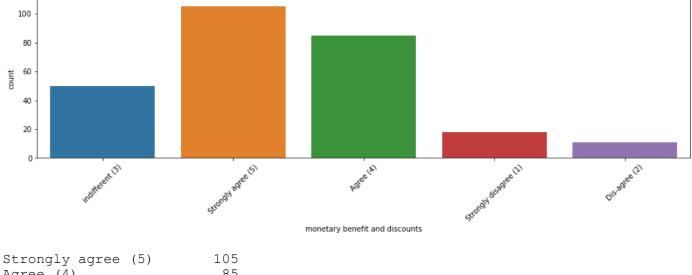
Strongly agree (5) 159
Agree (4) 80
Dis-agree (2) 30

Name: Convenient Payment methods, dtype: int64



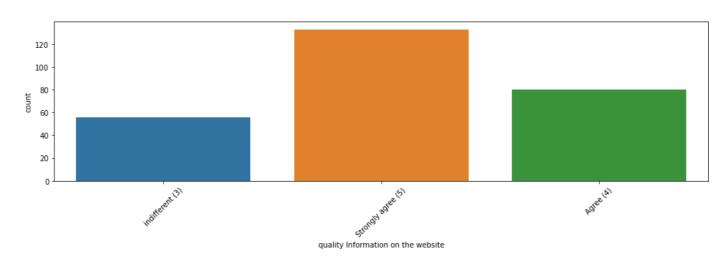
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Agree (4) 94
indifferent (3) 15
Strongly disagree (1) 11

Name: Responsiveness and availability, dtype: int64



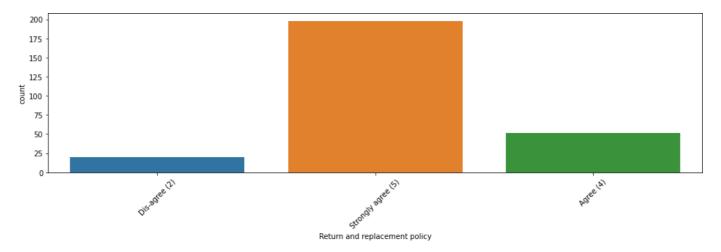
Strongly agree (5) 105
Agree (4) 85
indifferent (3) 50
Strongly disagree (1) 18
Dis-agree (2) 11

Name: monetary benefit and discounts, dtype: int64



Strongly agree (5) 133
Agree (4) 80
indifferent (3) 56

Name: quality Information on the website, dtype: int64



Strongly agree (5) 198
Agree (4) 51
Dis-agree (2) 20

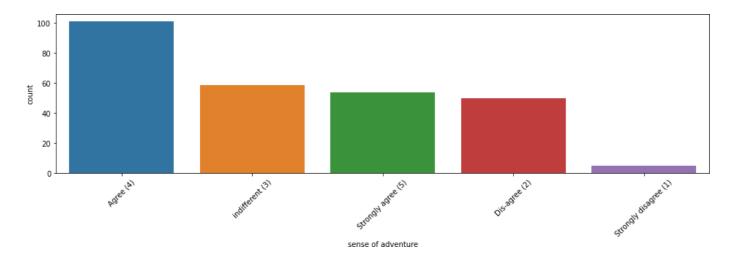
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Getting value for money spent

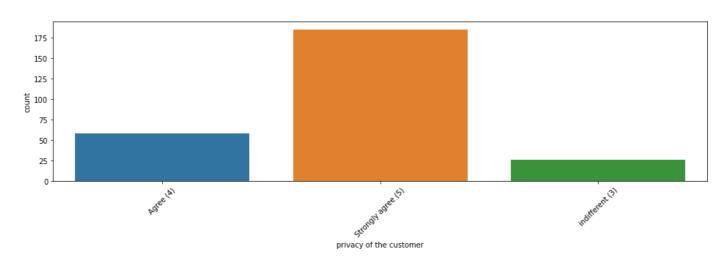
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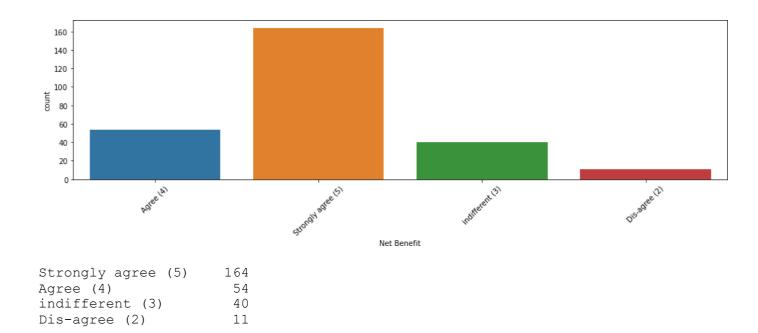
Agree (4) 101 indifferent (3) 59 Strongly agree (5) 54 Dis-agree (2) 50 Strongly disagree (1) 5

Name: sense of adventure, dtype: int64



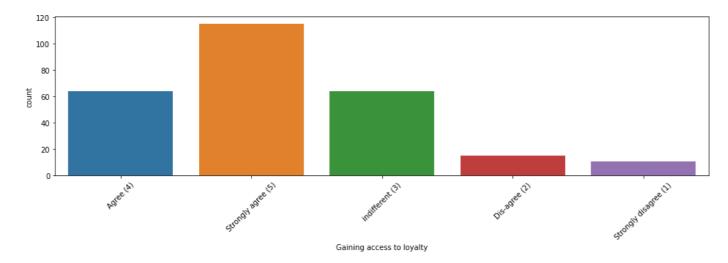
Strongly agree (5) 185 Agree (4) 58 indifferent (3) 26

Name: privacy of the customer, dtype: int64



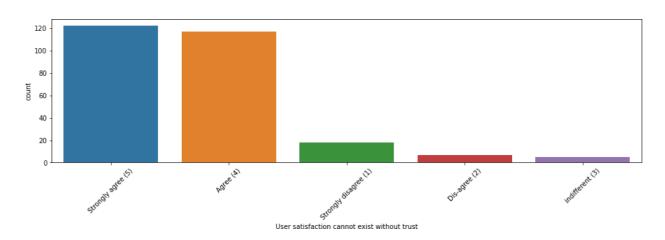
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Name: Shopping online is convenient and flexible, dtype: int64



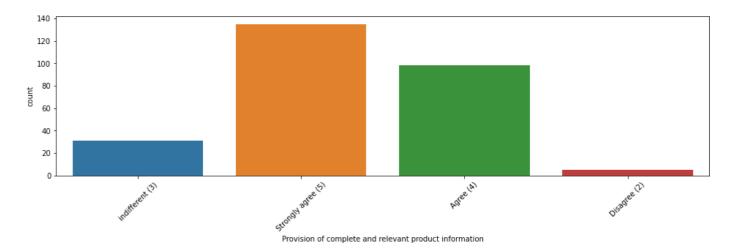
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Name: Gaining access to loyalty, dtype: int64



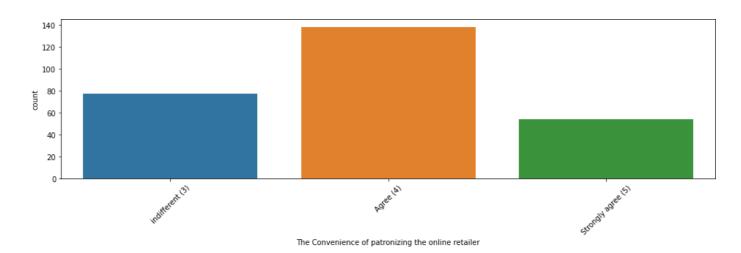
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Agree (4) 117
Strongly disagree (1) 18
Dis-agree (2) 7
indifferent (3) 5

Name: User satisfaction cannot exist without trust, dtype: int64



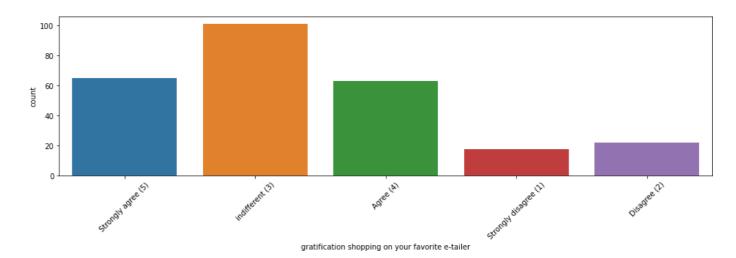
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Name: Provision of complete and relevant product information, dtype: int64



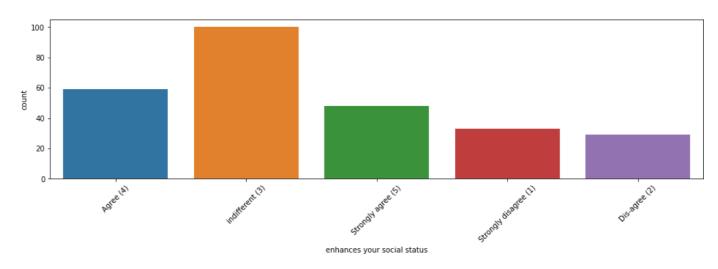
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Name: The Convenience of patronizing the online retailer, dtype: int64



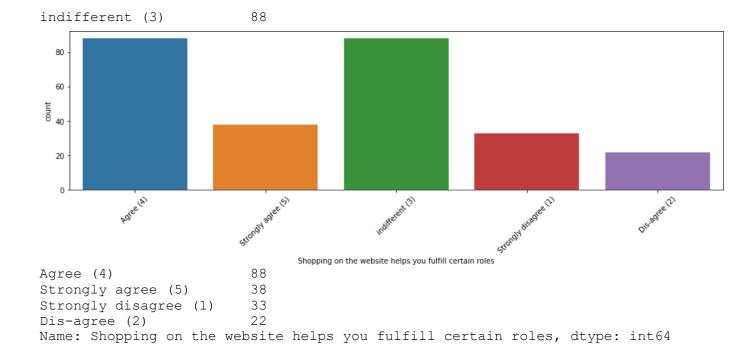
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Name: gratification shopping on your favorite e-tailer, dtype: int64



indifferent (3) 100
Agree (4) 59
Strongly agree (5) 48
Strongly disagree (1) 33
Dis-agree (2) 29

Name: enhances your social status, dtype: int64



#### **Conclusion from Customer's Feed-Back**

#### People strongly agree that

- 1 Website has user friendly interface.
- 2 Payment method Should be convenient.
- 3 Responsiveness, availability of several communication channels (email, online rep, twitter, phone etc) is necessary.
- 4 Online shopping gives monetary benefit and discounts to the customers.
- 5 Displaying quality Information on the website improves satisfaction of customers.
- 6 Return and replacement policy of the e-tailer is important for purchase decision.
- 7 Doing online shopping give them value of money spend.
- 8 Shopping on the website give them sense of adventure.
- 9 Being able to guarantee the privacy of the customer
- 10 User derive satisfaction while shopping on a good quality website or application.
- 11 Shopping online is convenient and flexible.
- 12 Gaining access to loyalty programs is a benefit of shopping online.

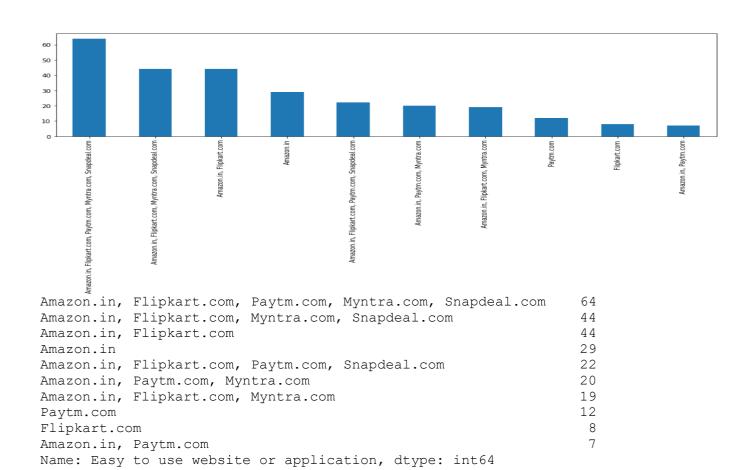
- 13 User satisfaction exist when they have trust one website.
- 14 Their should be provision of complete and relevant product information website.
- 15 They feel gratification shopping on your favorite e-tailer.
- 16 The Convenience of patronizing the online retailer.

Users have indifferent opinion that shopping on their preferred e-tailer enhances their social status.

Users have mixed reaction on wheither shopping on website helps them to fulfil certain roles some agree it some are indifferent.

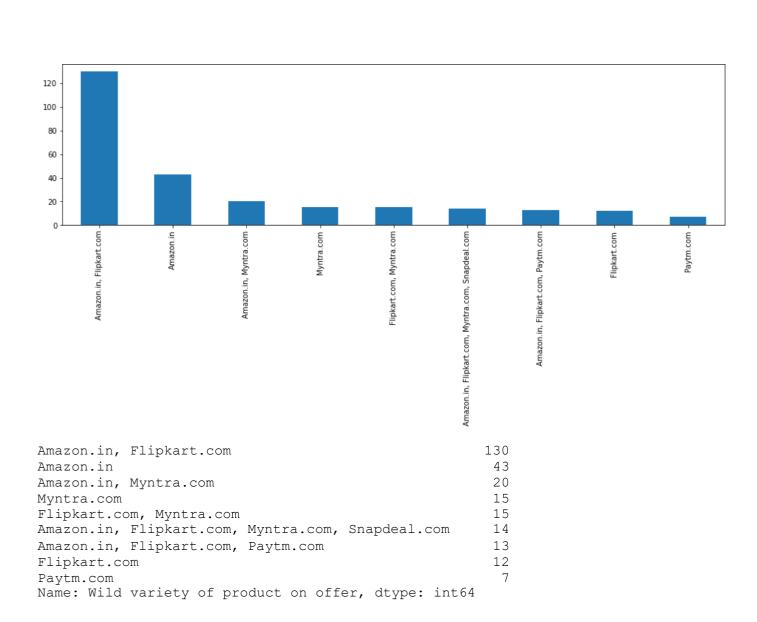
# Different Websites or online Shopping Platform

### Used by Customers

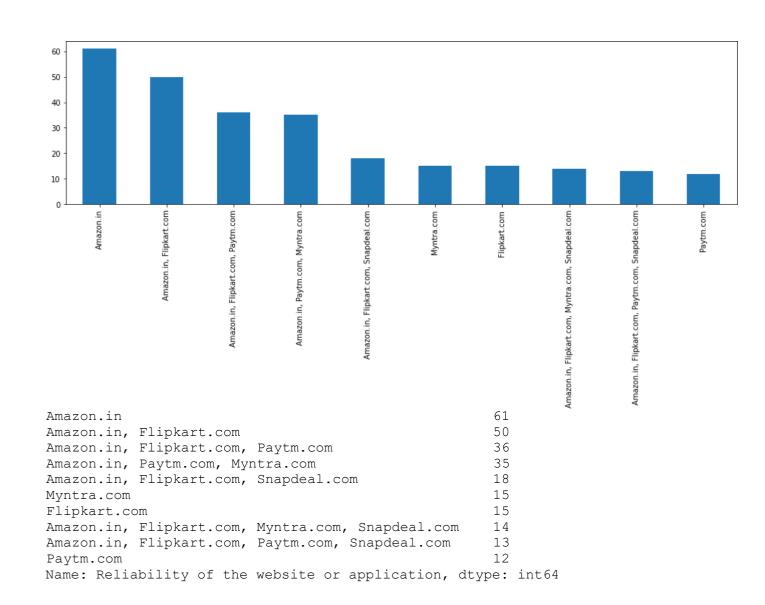


As per above graph, Majority of the customers are using Amazon.in, Flipkart.com, Paytm.com, Myntra.com, Snapdeal.com as It is Easy to use Websites and as our earlier analysis on device using category shows that Most of the people are using Smartphone and all this online platform has their own mobile application which has lots of features even and Easy to use

Amazon is the choice of among 90% Users, Showing very clear in above Graph



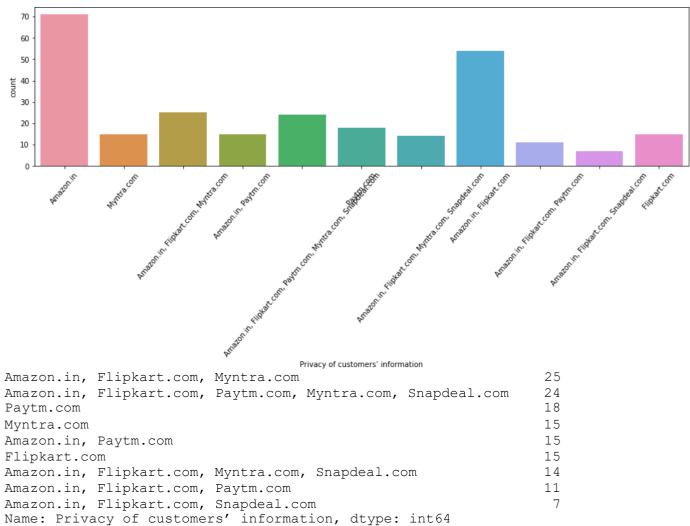
### Website like Amazon and Flipkart have visual appealing webpage layout and they offer wild variety of products.

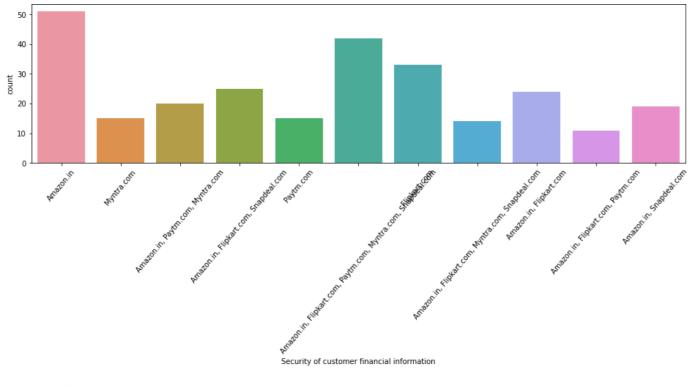


#### For Reliability of the website or application

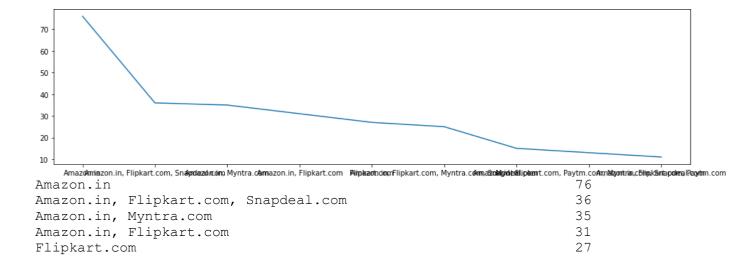
61 out of 269 customers choose amazon and

50 out of 269 customers choose amazon and flipkart

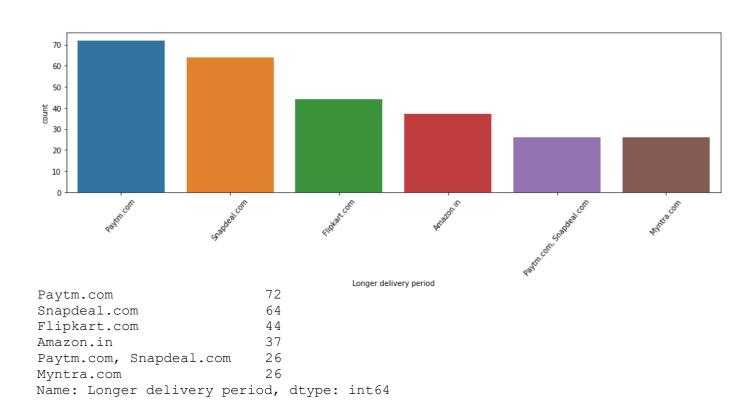




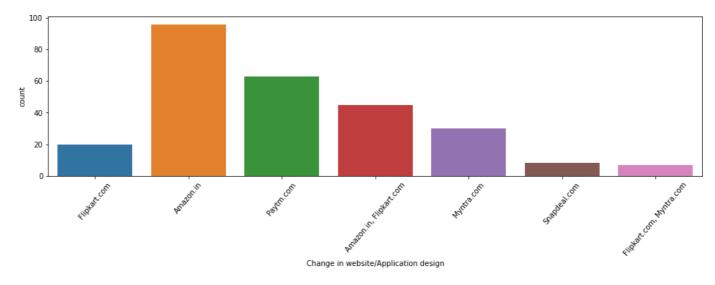
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Amazon.in, Flipkart.com
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Amazon.in, Paytm.com, Myntra.com
Amazon.in, Snapdeal.com
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Myntra.com
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Paytm.com
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Amazon.in, Flipkart.com, Myntra.com, Snapdeal.com
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Amazon.in, Flipkart.com, Paytm.com
                                                                  11
Name: Security of customer financial information, dtype: int64
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Amazon.in,	Flipkart.com,	Myntra.com, Snapdeal.com	25			
Myntra.com						
Amazon.in,	Flipkart.com,	Paytm.com, Myntra.com, Snapdeal.com	13			
Amazon.in,	Flipkart.com,	Paytm.com	11			
Name: Perceived Trustworthiness, dtype: int64						



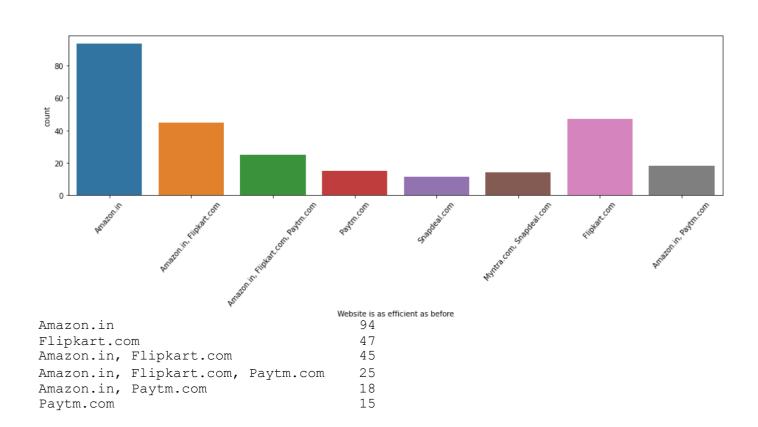
#### In Longer delivery period paytm.com topped the list



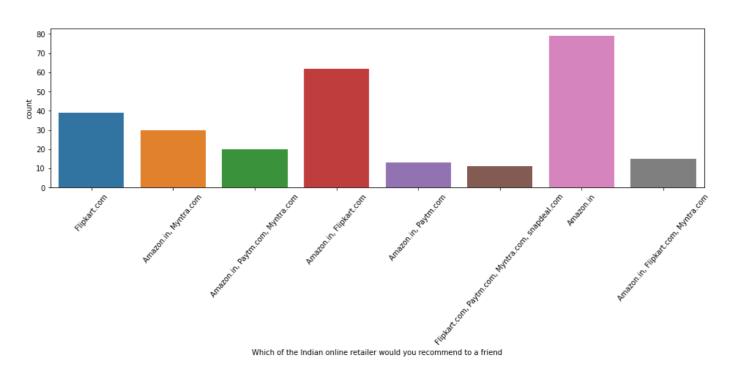
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Amazon.in, Flipkart.com 45
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Snapdeal.com 8
Flipkart.com, Myntra.com 7

Name: Change in website/Application design, dtype: int64

#### In Change in website/Application design amazon.in topped the list.



Name: Website is as efficient as before, dtype: int64



Which of the Indian online retailer would you recommend to a friend?

79 out of 269 choose amazon which tops the list

2nd most is 62 out of 269 choose amazon and flipkart

# Conclusion

As in the final countplot in which user were asked which online retailer they would recommend to a friend in this Amazon.in topped the list because it is providing all the features that users want. Website is efficient and it is fast loading, it gives complete, relevant description and information of products. It is reliable and quick to complete the purchase. Amazon give speedy delivery to its customers and there are several payment options available on the website. It provides online assistance through multi channels. Providing good deals on products. Its website have visual appealing webpage layout and they offer wide variety of products and its application is easy to use. lastly the main thing why user recommend it is because of its Trustworthiness and its robust Security in protecting customer financial information and their Privacy information.

These all features make it top the list of recommended online retailer . Providing these features it is retaining its customers.

They are some cons like the amazon website topping the list In Frequent disruption when moving from one page to another this con company should see and improve it to give overall best experience to the users.

#### Challenges:

It was difficult to read each column and comparing with others on the dataset in notebook as it took some time to understand and analysis it a proper way.

#### Key Findings and Conclusions of the Study:

I used various visualization methods and understood the EDA in a better way

This customer satisfaction can be used as an impact of eCommerce market development as well as for economic development of the country

#### Learning Outcomes of the Study in respect of Data Science:

As per as learning outcomes is concerned, I have learnt the following things:

- i) Visualization helps us understand the data graphically.
- ii) I also understand the about reading various related features and importance of them in the whole dataset.

#### Limitations of this work and Scope for Future Work

Since I have only used a sample dataset, hence sometimes it is difficult to understand the overall impact of this customer feedback at a larger scale.