Aviation Accident Risk Analysis & Recommendations

A Comprehensive Review on Aviation Safety and Investment Insights

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Business Problem

Objective:

To analyze aviation accident data from 1960 to 2023 and provide insights on the safest aircraft models, airports, and risk factors for investment purposes.

Why This Matters:

The company is diversifying its portfolio into aviation, where accidents carry significant reputational and financial risks.

Problem Statement:

The company is expanding into aviation but has no prior experience. There are potential risks associated with Aviation accidents.

Goal:

Use data-driven analysis to identify low-risk aircraft models and airports to guide investment decisions.

Data

Source:

 National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) Aviation Data (1960-2023).

Key Fields:

- Aircraft Make/Model
- Injury Severity
- Flight Purpose
- Weather Conditions
- Broad Phase of flight
- Aircraft damage

Data Summary:

- 88,889 rows, 31 columns
- Event, aircraft, and injury details
- Location and weather data
- Investigation outcomes

Analysis Focus:

- Aviation accidents that occurred in USA.
- Airplanes and helicopters only
- 26,324 rows and 27 columns.

Methods

- Data Cleaning & Preprocessing:
- Handling missing values
- Standardizing values
- 2. **Data Imputation**:
- Filling in missing values

3. Data Analysis:

- Grouping accidents by aircraft model, airport, and flight phase
- Analyzing injury severity and accident conditions

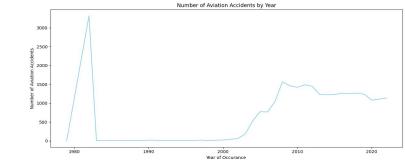
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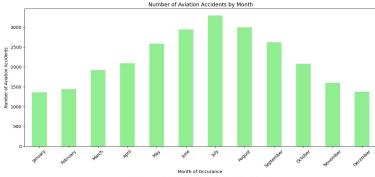
 Generating bar charts, line plots, and heatmaps for insights

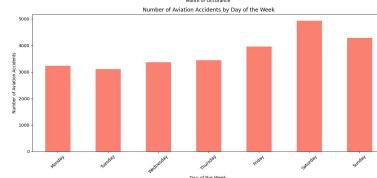
Results

Aeroplane and Helicopter accidents in the USA

- There was a long period of no accidents from 1983 to 1996 when there were few accidents reported but from 2000 to 2008 there was a progressive increase with a plateau from 2010.
- Most of the accidents occur in July and during the weekend (Saturday and Sunday).
- Airplanes account for the vast majority of Accidents (23,657) than helicopters(2,667)
- Most aviation accidents occurred in California-CA(2,559), Texas-Tx (2,186), and Florida-FL(1,887)







Key Insights – Risk Analysis

Injury Severity & Weather Conditions:

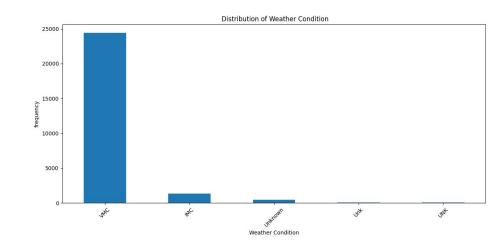
- Most accidents occur during good weather (VMC)
- Majority of accidents happen during landing or takeoff

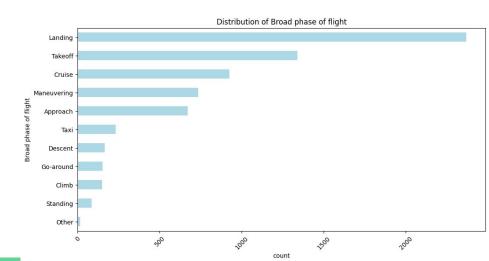
Aircraft Damage:

- Most accidents result in substantial aircraft damage
- Damage types are consistent across various phases of flight

Flight Purpose:

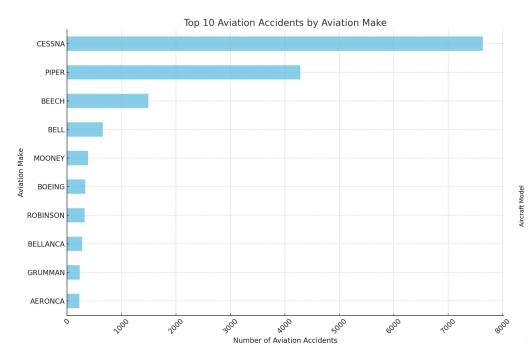
 High-risk purposes include private and air race shows





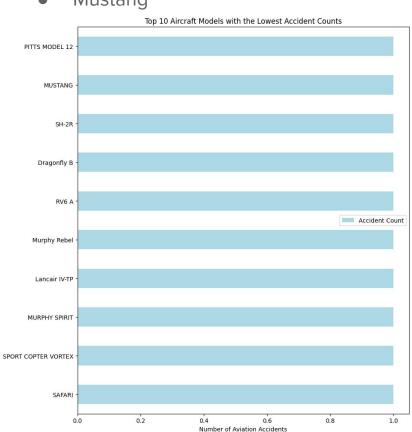
Makes with Highest Accident Counts:

- Cessna
- Piper



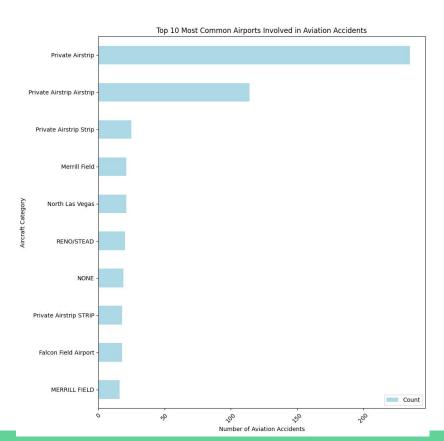
Models with Lowest Accident Counts:

- Pitts Model 12
- Mustang



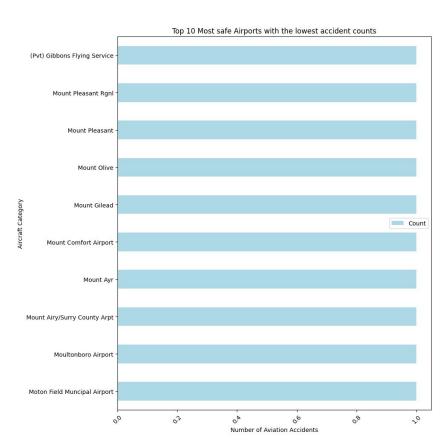
Airports with Highest Risk:

 Small private airstrips have the highest number of accidents



Safest Airports:

Gibbons Flying services



Conclusions

Recommendations & Business Applications

- Invest in safer aircraft models and makes:like Pitts Model, Mustang
- 2. Develop robust risk mitigation plans on the critical phases of flights prone to accidents (landing and taking off).
- Establish operation from safer commercial airports



Future Improvements:

- Further workflow data analysis like the number of flights per Aviation model/Make, flight distances, workload of the airports to improve the risk prediction
- Incorporate also data on the number of flights attended per airport or airstrip to improve the prediction of safety
- Review the cost of purchase and maintenance
- Conduct market analysis taking into consideration the insights generated.
- Expand analysis to international data for better global insights in case expansion to the international markets is anticipated.



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