

Project Title:

SaaS Revenue Dashboard – Cohort and Growth Analysis

1. Objective

The purpose of this project was to analyse **monthly recurring revenue (MRR)**, **total revenue growth**, and **customer retention trends** for a SaaS product. The goal was to deliver actionable insights into revenue performance, growth dynamics, and long-term customer value using cohort-based analysis.

The dashboard was designed to enable business stakeholders to quickly identify bottlenecks, track revenue health, and make informed decisions on **sales**, **marketing**, **and customer success strategies**.

2. Dataset

- Source: SaaS product revenue dataset (CSV format).
- Period Covered: June 2022 May 2023.
- Data Points:
 - Monthly recurring revenue (MRR)
 - Payment dates
 - Customer IDs
 - Locations (APAC, EMEA, USA)
- **Granularity:** User-level payments aggregated into cohorts and monthly revenue trends.

3. Tools Used

- **Tableau**: For dashboard creation, cohort analysis, and dual-axis trend charts.
- Excel: For initial data preparation, validation, and calculations.

4. Business Questions Answered

- What are the trends in **new monthly recurring revenue (MRR)** over time?
- How is **total revenue evolving month-over-month**, and what are the growth rates?
- How do user cohorts perform in terms of retention and revenue contribution after their first payment?
- Which regions (APAC, EMEA, USA) drive the highest revenue growth?
- How consistent is **customer revenue retention** over multiple months?

5. Methodology

1. New MRR by Month (Bar Chart)

- Calculated revenue generated from new customers in the month of their first payment.
- Provided visibility into acquisition-driven revenue.

2. Total Revenue & MoM % Change (Dual-Axis Chart)

- Displayed **total revenue** on the primary axis.
- Displayed month-over-month growth percentage on the secondary axis.
- Highlighted growth surges and downturns in revenue.

3. Cohort Revenue Retention Table

- Rows: First payment month of each customer cohort.
- Columns: Number of months since first payment.
- Values: Total revenue per cohort and month.
- **Gradient shading:** Represented retention ratio compared to the cohort's first-month revenue.
- Provided insights into long-term retention and revenue decay.

4. Dashboard Interactivity

- Filters: By Location (APAC, EMEA, USA, All) and Payment Date (June 2022 May 2023).
- Allowed stakeholders to slice data by region and timeframe.

6. Results & Insights

★ New MRR

- Major spike in July 2022 (\$44.1K) driven by strong acquisition efforts.
- Subsequent months stabilised between \$17K-\$27K, indicating sustainable growth after initial momentum.

Revenue Growth (MoM)

- High growth peaks: +38% in August 2022 and +25% in October 2022.
- Declines: -13% in December 2022 and -9% in May 2023, potentially due to churn or seasonality.
- Overall, revenue climbed steadily to a peak of \$162.3K in February 2023.

Cohort Analysis

- Revenue retention shows a **gradual decline over time**, but many cohorts maintain >60% of first-month revenue even after 6 months.
- Early cohorts (June–August 2022) remained strong contributors, highlighting a **loyal** core user base.
- Signals the need for enhanced mid-term retention strategies to prevent later churn.

Regional Trends

- USA and EMEA accounted for the majority of revenue growth.
- APAC performance remained modest but stable, representing an opportunity for expansion through targeted acquisition campaigns.

7. Recommendations

1. Boost Customer Retention

 Implement loyalty programs and personalised engagement for cohorts showing early drop-offs.

2. Stabilise Growth

 Investigate factors behind declines in December 2022 and May 2023, such as churn drivers or seasonal effects.

3. Leverage High-Performing Regions

 Double down on marketing and product support in USA and EMEA, the top-performing markets.

4. Expand in APAC

 Run tailored acquisition campaigns and regionalised onboarding to unlock growth potential.

5. Cohort Monitoring

 Establish monthly cohort tracking to detect early churn signals and respond proactively.

8. Business Impact

This dashboard empowers decision-makers to:

- Distinguish between acquisition-driven vs. retention-driven revenue growth.
- Quickly assess month-over-month performance and identify anomalies.
- Understand customer lifetime revenue patterns through cohort analysis.
- Optimise regional strategies for marketing, sales, and customer success.

9. Link to Interactive Dashboard

View Dashboard on Tableau Public

10. Screenshot

