# Project 2.1: Creating an Analytical Dataset

## **Step 1: Business and Data Understanding**

Pawdacity is a leading pet store chain in Wyoming with 13 stores throughout the state. Pawdacity would like to expand and open a 14th store and we will perform an analysis to recommend the city for Pawdacity's newest store, based on predicted yearly sales.

In this project we are trying to gather, clean and blend datasets together and then deal with outliers.

### **Key Decisions:**

#### 1. What decisions needs to be made?

We are trying to predict the location of the 14th store based on predicted yearly sales.

#### 2. What data is needed to inform those decisions?

For predicting the location of the new store, we need data related to existing stores and data related to demographic information.

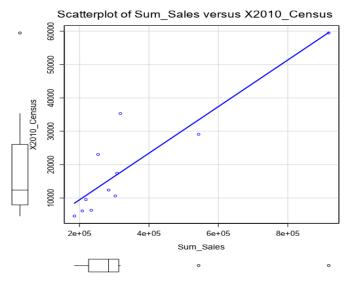
## **Step 2: Building the Training Set**

Column	Sum	Average
Census Population	213,862	19442
Total Pawdacity Sales	3,773,304	343027.64
Households with Under 18	34,064	3096.73
Land Area	33,071	3006.49
Population Density	63	5.71
Total Families	62,653	5695.71

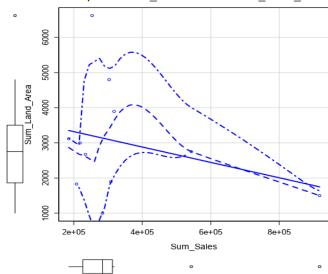
### Step 3: Dealing with Outliers

Are there any cities that are outliers in the training set? Which outlier have you chosen to remove or impute? Because this dataset is a small data set (11 cities), **you should only remove or impute one outlier**. Please explain your reasoning.

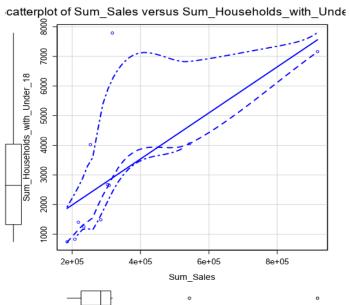
The scatterplots below show the relation between Pawdacity total sales and other variables. Based on the scatter plots below, Gillette and Cheyenne seem to be outliers as their sales data are higher than expected.



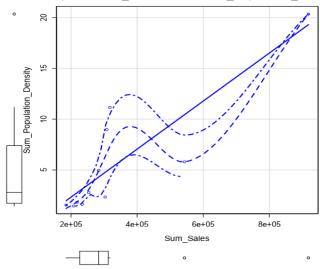


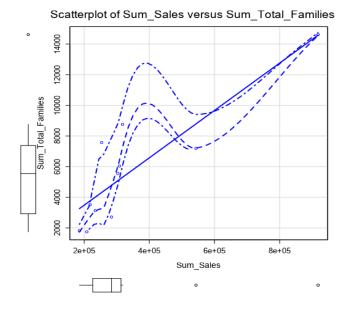






### Scatterplot of Sum\_Sales versus Sum\_Population\_Density





We calculated the IQR using excel and found the below values for upper fence and lower fence.

Upper Fence: 32888.7581 Lower Fence: -17349.9835

Only **Gillette (543132)** and **Cheyenne (917892)** have sales values that exceed the upper fence. Hence, we should remove these outliers.

Alteryx workflow is attached:

