

Student Performance Visualization and Reporting

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1 Objective

The project aims to create a Python-based visualization dashboard and detailed report that analyzes student performance across various demographic and educational factors. The final report highlights key trends, statistical summaries, and performance disparities in a professional, easy-to-understand format.

2 Data Source

- **Dataset:** `StudentsPerformance.csv`
- **Format:** CSV
- **Total Records:** 1,000 students

3 Summary Statistics

- **Total Number of Students:** 1000
- **Number of Male and Female Students:**
 - Male: 482 (48.2%)
 - Female: 518 (51.8%)
- **Number of Students per Race/Ethnicity Group:**
 - Group A: 89 (8.9%)
 - Group B: 190 (19.0%)
 - Group C: 319 (31.9%)
 - Group D: 262 (26.2%)
 - Group E: 140 (14.0%)
- **Number of Students by Test Preparation Status:**

- Completed: 358

- None: 642

- **Number of Students by Lunch Type:**

- Standard: 645

- Free/Reduced: 355

- **Average, Minimum, Maximum Scores per Subject:**

Table 1: Score Summary Statistics

Subject	Average	Minimum	Maximum
Math	66.09	0.00	100.00
Reading	69.17	17.00	100.00
Writing	68.05	10.00	100.00

4 Charts Used and Rationale

Table 2: Charts Used and Their Purpose

Chart	What It Shows	Why It Was Used
Box Plot: Scores by Gender	Distribution and variability of math, reading, and writing scores for male and female students	To identify performance gaps and score spread between genders
Box Plot: Scores by Test Preparation Course	Score distributions for students who completed or did not complete test preparation	To assess the effectiveness of test preparation courses
Bar Chart: Avg Scores by Parental Education	Average subject scores by parental education level	To reveal correlation between parental education and student success
Bar Chart: Avg Scores by Lunch Type	Average subject scores by lunch type (standard vs. free/reduced)	To highlight disparities based on lunch type as a proxy for socioeconomic status
Bar Chart: Avg Scores by Race/Ethnicity	Average subject scores by race/ethnicity group	To understand demographic performance variations
Histogram: Score Distributions	Distribution and concentration of scores for each subject	To detect skewness and outliers in subject scores
Correlation Heatmap: Subject Scores	Correlation coefficients between math, reading, and writing scores	To understand cross-subject performance trends
Grouped Bar Chart: Test Preparation Impact by Gender	Test preparation effect on scores, segmented by gender	To assess gender-specific impact of test preparation

5 Visualizations and Key Insights

5.1 Box Plot: Scores by Gender

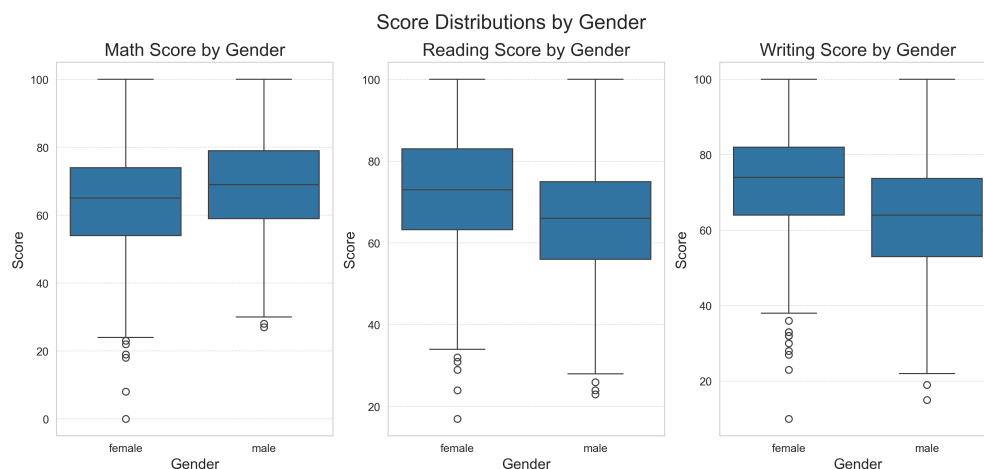


Figure 1: Distribution of Math, Reading, and Writing Scores by Gender

Key Insight: Female students outperform males in reading and writing, while males have higher average math scores. Score distributions show greater variability among males in math.

5.2 Box Plot: Scores by Test Preparation Course

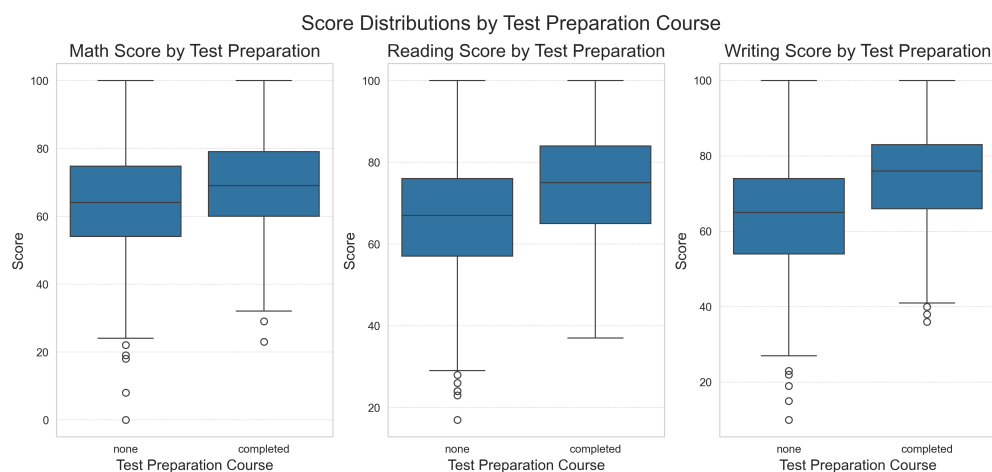


Figure 2: Distribution of Scores by Test Preparation Course

Key Insight: Students who completed the test preparation course scored higher on average in all subjects, with the most pronounced effect in writing and reading.

5.3 Bar Chart: Average Scores by Parental Education

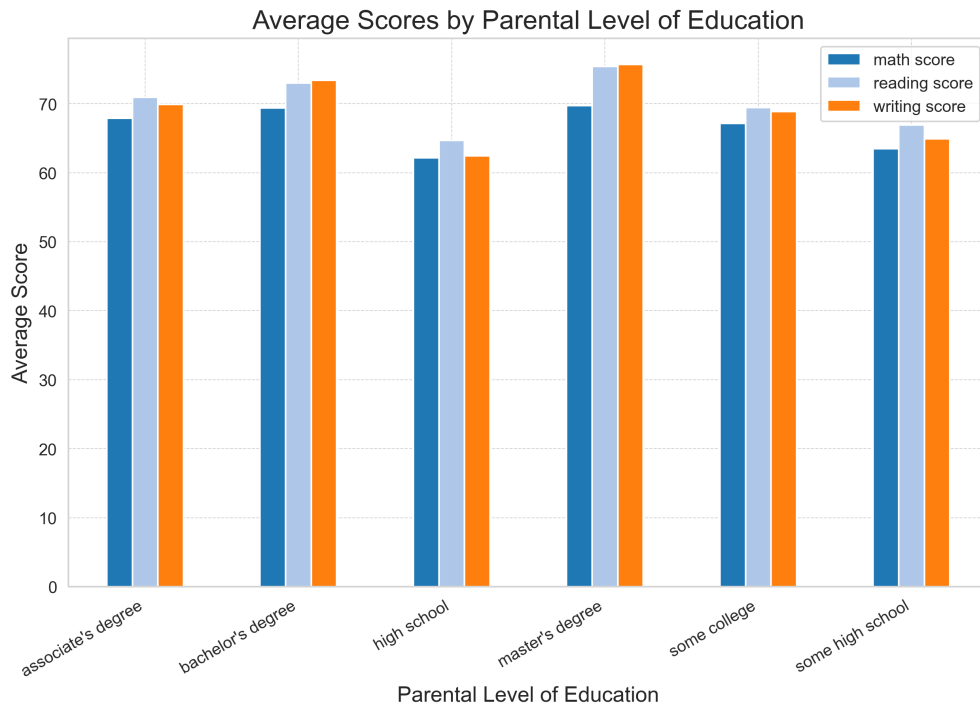


Figure 3: Average Scores by Parental Level of Education

Key Insight: Higher parental education levels (bachelor's and master's degrees) are associated with higher student scores across all subjects.

5.4 Bar Chart: Average Scores by Lunch Type

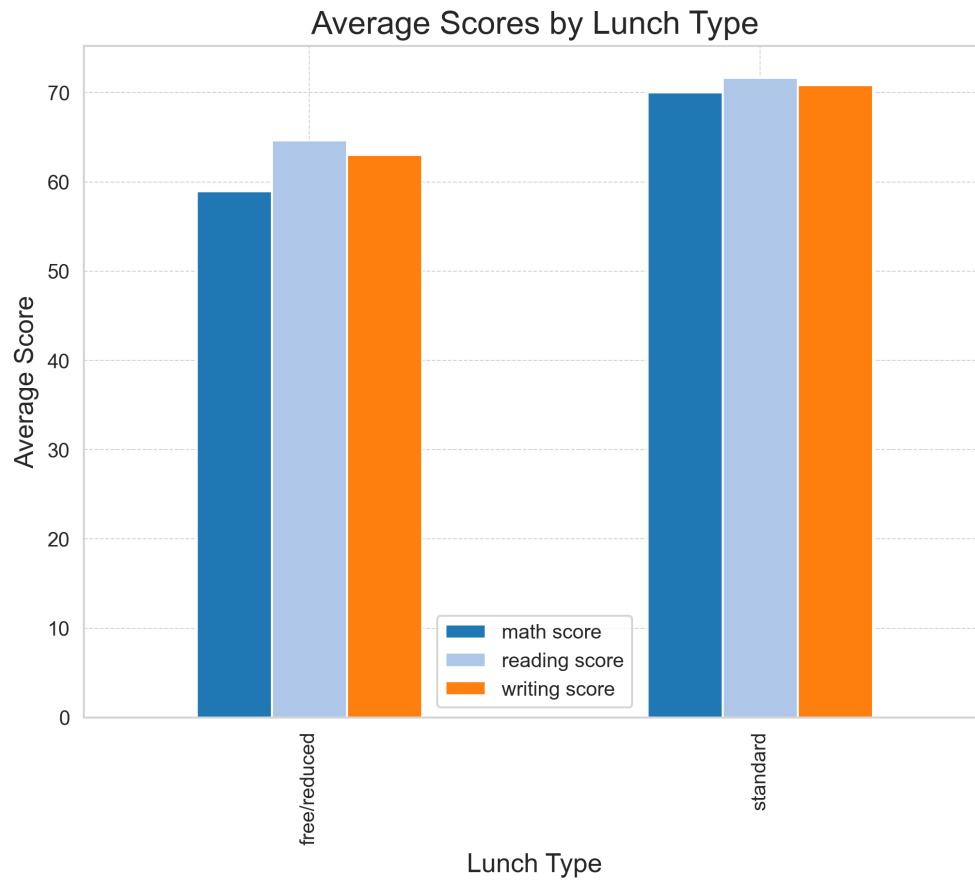


Figure 4: Average Scores by Lunch Type

Key Insight: Students with standard lunch consistently outperform those with free/reduced lunch, indicating a performance gap likely related to socioeconomic status.

5.5 Bar Chart: Average Scores by Race/Ethnicity

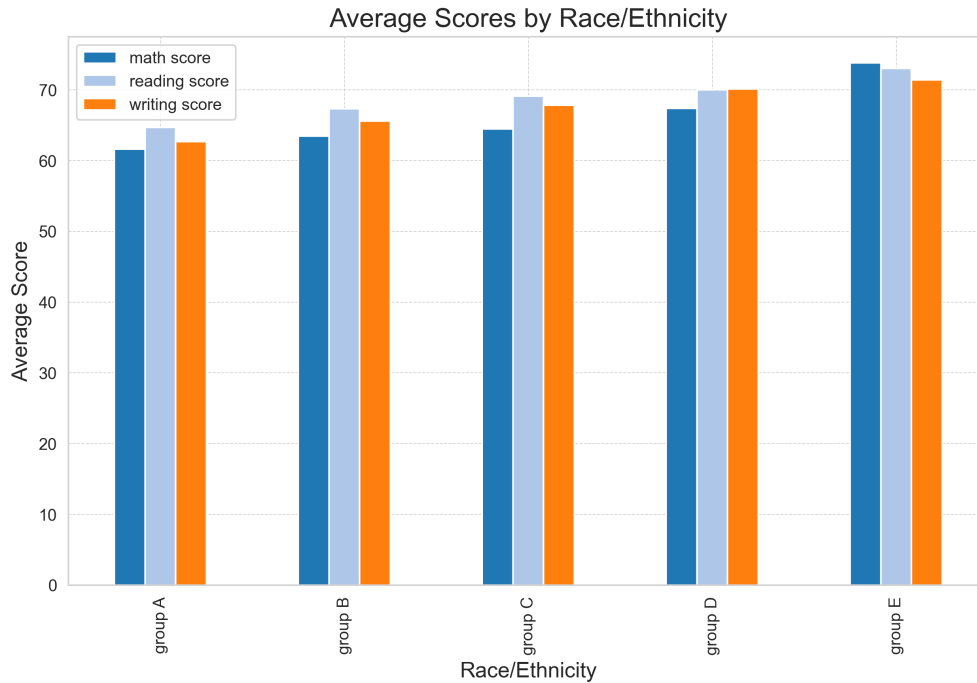


Figure 5: Average Scores by Race/Ethnicity

Key Insight: Group E students have the highest average scores, while Groups A and B have the lowest. There is a clear upward trend from Group A to Group E.

5.6 Histogram: Score Distributions

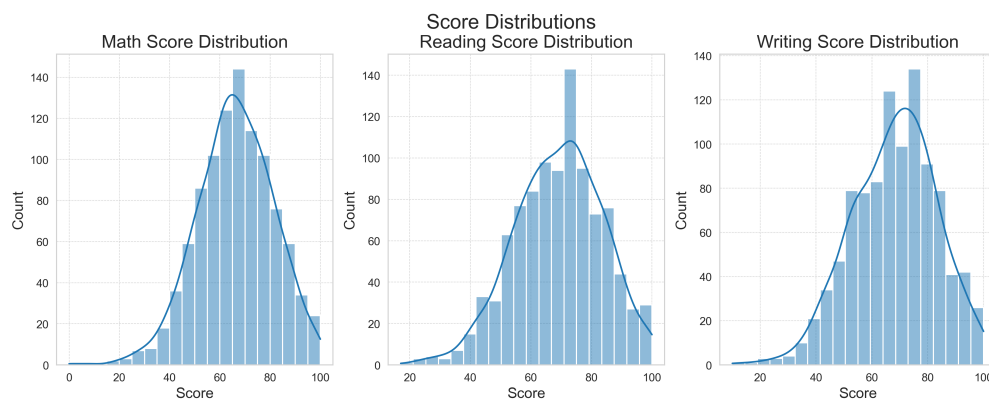


Figure 6: Distribution of Math, Reading, and Writing Scores

Key Insight: Math scores are more widely distributed and skewed lower compared to reading and writing, which are more concentrated at higher values.

5.7 Correlation Heatmap: Subject Scores

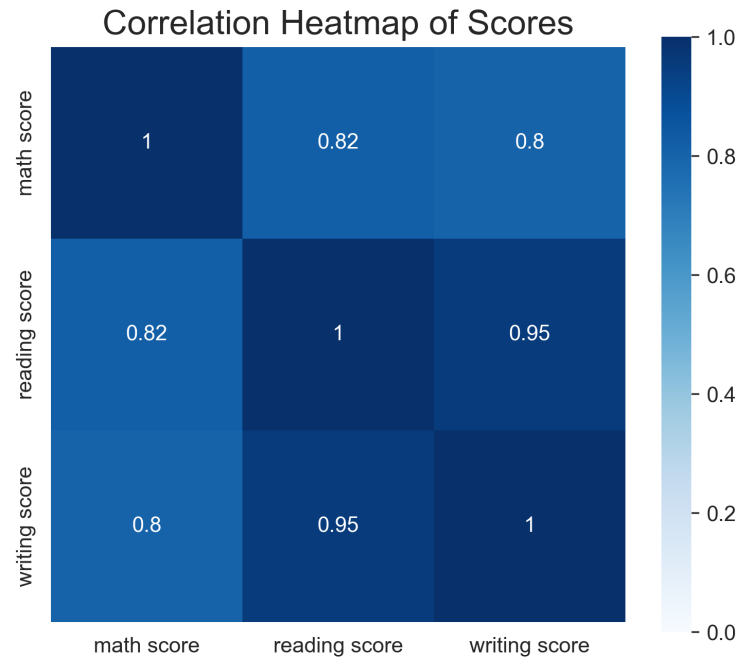


Figure 7: Correlation Heatmap of Math, Reading, and Writing Scores

Key Insight: Strong positive correlations exist between all three subjects, especially between reading and writing (0.95).

5.8 Grouped Bar Chart: Test Preparation Impact by Gender

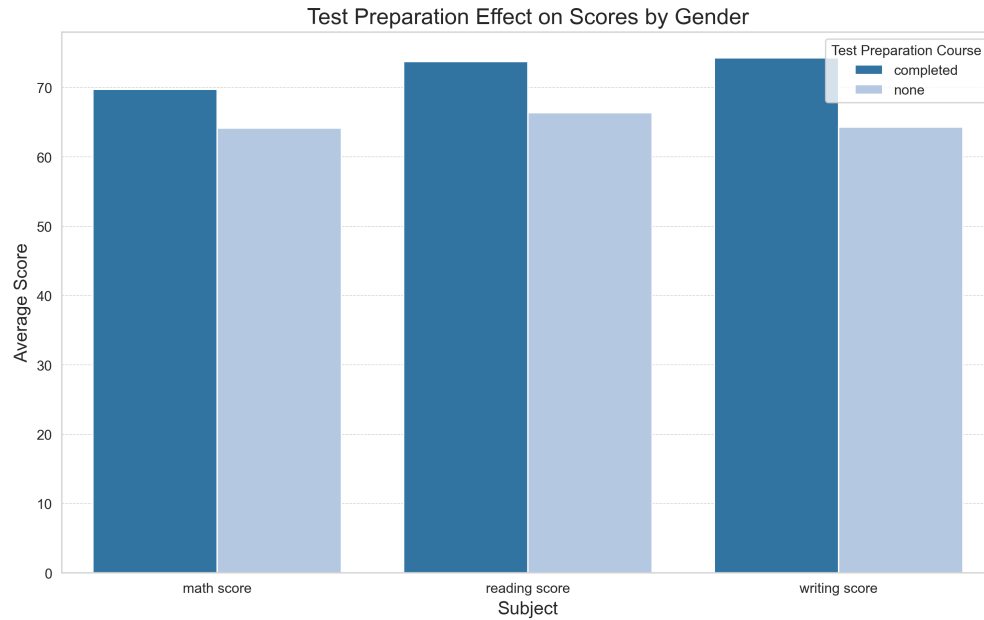


Figure 8: Test Preparation Effect on Scores by Gender

Key Insight: Test preparation benefits both genders, but the effect is slightly more pronounced for female students in reading and writing.

6 General Performance Trends and Disparities

- Female students excel in reading and writing; males in math. Socioeconomic and parental education factors strongly influence performance. Test preparation is effective for all groups.

7 Appendix

- Python code and data files available at: <https://github.com/dmzinc/visualization-dashboard.git>