

Project 2.1: Data Cleanup

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Step 1: Business and Data Understanding

Provide an explanation of the key decisions that need to be made. (250 word limit)

Key Decisions:

Answer these questions

1. What decisions need to be made?

This project requires that we clean up and blend the data available from three different data sources. The consolidated data is at the city level and not store level. We would have to analyze and recommend the city for Pawdacity's newest store, based on predicted yearly sales.

Consolidated data set consisting of the following:

**City
2010 Census Population
Total Pawdacity Sales
Households with Under 18
Land Area
Population Density
Total Families**

2. What data is needed to inform those decisions?

The following data is used to build the consolidated data set:

- ***p2-2010-pawdacity-monthly-sales.csv*** - monthly sales for all Pawdacity stores for 2010. (NAME,ADDRESS,CITY,STATE,ZIP)
- ***p2-partially-parsed-wy-web-scrape.csv*** - population numbers. (City, County, 2014 Estimate, 2010 Census, 2000 Census)

- *p2-wy-demographic-data.csv* - **demographic data for each city and county in Wyoming. (City, County, Land Area, Households with Under 18, Population Density and Total Families)**

Step 2: Building the Training Set

Build your training set given the data provided to you. Your column sums of your dataset should match the sums in the table below.

In addition provide the averages on your data set here to help reviewers check your work. You should round up to two decimal places, ex: 1.24

Sum_Sum_2010 Census	Sum_Sum_sales	Sum_Land Area	Sum_Households with Under 18	Sum_Population Density	Sum_Total Families
213,862	3,773,304	33,071.380389	34,064	62.8	62,652.79

Avg_Sum_2010 Census	Avg_Sum_sales	Avg_Land Area	Avg_Households with Under 18	Avg_Population Density	Avg_Total Families
19,442	343,027.636364	3,006.489126	3,096.727273	5.709091	5,695.708182

Column	Sum	Average
Census Population	213,862	19442
Total Pawdacity Sales	3,773,304	343027.63
Households with Under 18	34,064	3096.72
Land Area	33,071	3006.48
Population Density	63	5.70
Total Families	62,653	5696

Step 3: Dealing with Outliers

Answer these questions

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.

Cheyenne has outliers for 3 out of the 6 variables used in the analysis. Only Cheyenne will be removed because it has outliers in 3 out of 6 data points, also these values adversely effect the analysis. Other cities with outliers are Rock Springs and Gillette and will be retained because they don't adversely effect the analysis.

