Box Percentage

YoY %∆ Top-Box Percentage

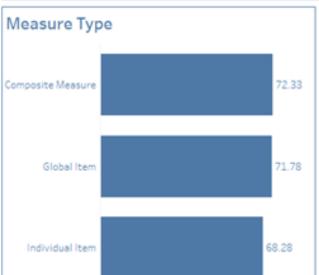
2.25%

YoY %∆ Response Rate

▼ 26.25%

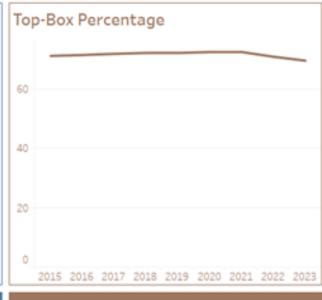
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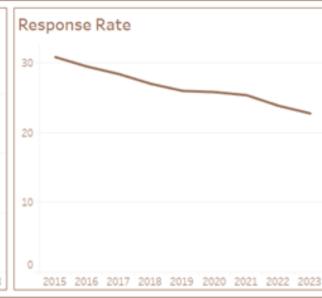
Category Averages



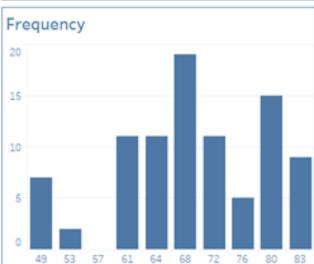


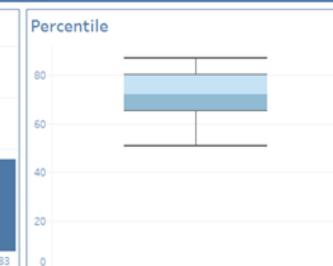
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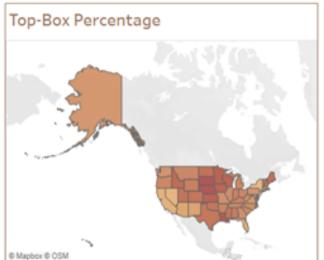


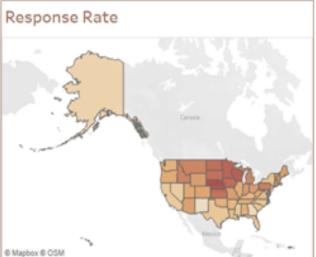
Top-Box Percentage Distribution





State Averages





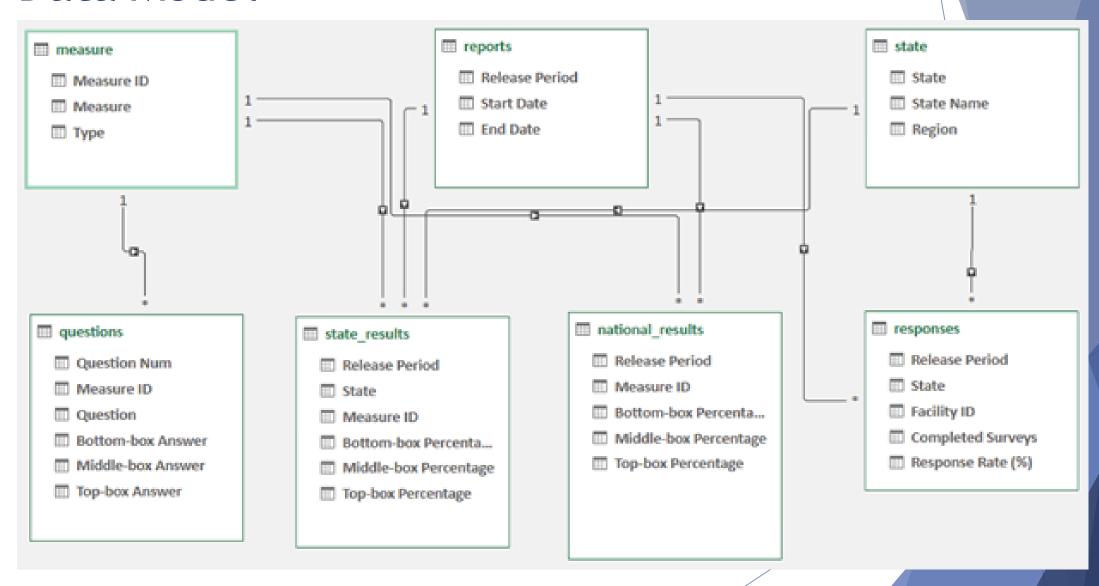
Abstract

- I conducted an exploratory analysis of survey results for the Hospital Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and Systems (HCAHPS).
- ▶ I had to determine if patients' hospital care has improved over the last nine years.
- ► I created an interactive dashboard that summarizes the average box answer scores from the HCAHPS survey results.
- I have uploaded all the files for this project onto my <u>GitHub</u>.

Data Cleaning Strategy

- There survey dataset consisted of seven tables with mostly structured data.
- Since the "Release Period" dates were all in July, I removed the month numbers and kept the years.
- ▶ I converted all numbers in the tables into numeric data types.

Data Model



Statistical Insights

- Over the last nine years:
 - ▶ The average top-box percentage of answers dropped by 2.25%.
 - ▶ The average middle-box percentage of answers increased by 1.94%.
 - ▶ The average bottom-box percentage of answers increased by 14.29%.
 - ► The average response rate dropped by 26.25%.
- Five-number summary of the box percentage of answers:
 - ► Top-Box: Min = 51%, Q1 = 65%, Median = 72%, Q3 = 80% Max = 87%
 - ► Middle-Box: Min = 0%, Q1 = 16%, Median = 19%, Q3 = 23%, Max = 43%
 - ▶ Bottom-Box: Min = 4%, Q1 = 5%, Median = 8%, Q3 = 10%, Max = 20%
- Questions with the highest average box percentage of answers:
 - ► Top-Box: Discharge Information (86.67%)
 - ► Middle-Box: Care Transition (42.22%)
 - ▶ Bottom-Box: Communication about Medicines (17.78%)
- Measures with the highest average box percentage of answers:
 - ► Top-Box: Composite Measure (72.33%)
 - ► Middle-Box: Individual Item (23.06%)
 - ▶ Bottom-Box: Composite Measure (8.96%)

Regional Insights

- States in the Midwest had the highest average top-box percentage of answers.
- ► States along the West Coast and Northeast had the highest average middle-box and bottom-box percentage of answers.
- ► States in the Northern Midwest had the highest average response rate.

Recommendations

Conclusion:

- ► Even though there was a decline in the average top-box answers over nine years, the average top-box answers were relatively high compared to the other box answers.
- ► This means that, overall, patients are scoring positive responses to most of the survey questions in general.
- ▶ Because of the decline in the average response rate over nine years, the confidence level of these survey results might need some improvement.
- Suggestions for improvement:
 - ▶ Be more transparent about the cost of prescription drugs.
 - ▶ Optimize the training of healthcare professionals and the care that they give to their patients.
 - Make sure that healthcare providers are providing clear instructions to patients' discharge information.