

Data Story: Marketing Strategy for New Menu Item (Non-Technical)

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Executive Summary

- Main goal: Evaluate the effectiveness of three marketing promotions when dealing with a new menu item for a fast food chain
- Average sales across all promotions was \$50000, wanted to find the best promotion that had the highest impact on sales
- Promotion #1 did the best even though they distributed the least amount of promotions by a small margin
- Random Forest Regressor was the best model but all were effective

Actionable Insights

- Promotion Strategies seem to be more effective in larger markets. Not as obvious as you think!
- Not as effective in smaller markets, need to develop new strategies
- Does the increase from week to week actually make logical sense or is it a coincidence?
- More information needed to make 100% statements

Business Recommendations

- Prioritize promotion strategies in bigger markets
- Use your sales data to find patterns which will further help you find what different customers preferences are
- Rectify some of the small details in the promotion strategies, especially for medium and smaller markets
- Continue to track how well promotions are doing so you can make adjustments on the fly
- Use customer feedback. Promotion strategy won't be the best at the start

Next Steps

- Send out small marketing teams to smaller areas to engage in customer feedback
- Cross Promotion with other items
- Try to look more into seasonal trends. Promotions for food items could work better in a different time period
- Test out the battle between online vs in person promotions

Contributions

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