Project Proposal B

Client: Drinking Excess Alcohol is Dangerous (DEAD)

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Data Summary

The data that we are using is provided by the state of Iowa and contains information about wholesale spirit purchases made by Iowa Class "E" liquor licensees. Class "E" licenses are for grocery stores, liquor stores, and convenience stores, among other establishments.

The data source is linked here: https://data.iowa.gov/Sales-Distribution/Iowa-Liquor-Sales/m3tr-qhgy/about_data

We collected this data with an API (virtual endpoint for data collection) and will be using data from January 1st, 2020 and onward.

Model Creation, Selection, and Validation

In order to help Drinking Excess Alcohol is Dangerous (DEAD) accurately analyze patterns in sales to help them understand what factors drive higher or lower alcohol purchases, we need to understand the patterns across different counties and time periods. To achieve this goal, we have grouped the data to see each county's total sale liters, average sale liters, number of transactions, and sales by alcohol category, all organized by month. Some visualizations of this data are shown here:

With this data format, we will be able to run statistical testing and regression analysis to find which characteristics significantly drive the amount of alcohol sold. We will examine relationships between alcohol purchases and county population, as well as sales by alcohol types. Once we have analyzed these relationships, we can calculate the strength of them to determine the impact they have and find the drive for alcohol sales. This will provide the best and full analysis of patterns on high purchases to inform DEAD and help make alcohol purchases safer in Iowa.

Conclusions and Deliverables

After our analysis, you will have a complete understanding of what factors drive high alcohol purchases in the counties of Iowa. Also, you will have detailed results of trends by month, by region, and by type of alcohol to create better safety laws on alcohol purchases. We appreciate the opportunity to working with you and are looking forward to performing our in depth analysis.