

Case Study Title: Enhancing US Regional Sales Performance Monitoring in XYZ Company

The business process targeted for improvement inside XYZ Company is 'US Regional Sales Performance Monitoring' in response to the imperative of enhancing operational excellence. This endeavour entails a thorough examination of the current process by combining information from the Sales Orders, Customer, Store Location, Product, Regions, and Sales Team sheets. The goal is to provide actionable insights into sales patterns by identifying and calculating key performance indicators (KPIs) at both state and regional levels. The project will provide graphical representations and maps of regional performance using data visualization techniques and geospatial analysis.

The analysis will extend to evaluating the contribution of sales teams and proposing efficiency improvements. The investigation will include assessing the impact of sales teams and suggesting efficiency improvements such as real-time reporting and automatic notifications. A data-driven strategy will be used to strengthen decision-making processes, providing decision-makers with a comprehensive perspective of regional sales dynamics. A significant focus will be on optimizing resource allocation across regions to improve efficiency and profitability.

Ultimately, the project intends to develop a comprehensive system for continuing monitoring, feedback, and iteration to achieve a continuous improvement cycle. XYZ Company intends to strengthen its current operations while also establishing a platform for adaptive and informed decision-making in response to changing market conditions by refining the 'US Regional Sales Performance Monitoring' process.

Industry/Sector: Sales and Distribution

Imaginary Company: XYZ

Functional Area: Sales

Business Process to Improve: US Regional Sales Performance Monitoring

Objective:

1. Analyze and Improve the Efficiency of Regional Sales Performance Monitoring:

- **Analysis:** we will begin by thoroughly examining the current state of regional sales performance. This involves assessing key metrics such as revenue, order quantity, and average unit prices across different regions and states.
- **Efficiency Improvement:** we will identify inefficiencies or bottlenecks in the existing regional sales monitoring process. This could involve pinpointing delays in data processing, areas of miscommunication, or gaps in data accuracy.
- **Recommendations:** Based on our analysis, we can propose enhancements to streamline the regional sales monitoring system. This might include implementing real-time reporting, automated alerts for performance anomalies, or refining data collection processes.

2. Enhance Decision-Making Processes for Regional Sales Strategies:

- **Data-Driven Insights:** Utilizing the integrated dataset to derive actionable insights into regional sales trends, customer behaviors, and product performance.
- **Decision Support:** Provide decision-makers with a comprehensive view of regional sales dynamics. This includes identifying successful strategies, understanding customer preferences, and recognizing patterns in high-performing regions.

- Visualization Tools: Use data visualization tools to present complex information in a visually accessible manner, aiding decision-makers in understanding and interpreting the insights.

3. Optimize Resource Allocation and Distribution Based on Regional Performance:

- Resource Assessment: we can evaluate the current allocation of resources such as sales teams, inventory, and marketing efforts across different regions.
- Performance-Based Allocation: we can propose adjustments to resource distribution based on the analysis of regional performance. For instance, allocate more resources to high-performing regions or adjust marketing strategies to target specific customer segments.
- Cost-Efficiency: Aim to optimize resource allocation to improve overall cost-efficiency while maximizing returns

1. Data Exploration:

- Sales Orders Sheet:
 - Identifying and understanding columns: OrderNumber, Sales Channel, WarehouseCode, ProcuredDate, OrderDate, ShipDate, DeliveryDate, CurrencyCode, etc.
 - Checking for missing values and outliers.
 - Identifying key metrics like sales quantity, revenue, and discounts applied.
- Other Sheets (Customer, Store Location, Product, Regions, Sales Team):
 - Understanding the columns and relationships between different entities.
 - Ensuring data consistency across sheets.
 - We will note any potential merging keys (common columns) for later integration.

2. Data Integration:

- ❖ We will merge relevant columns from different sheets using common keys.
- ❖ We will create a unified dataset that combines information from the Sales Orders sheet with data from Customer, Store Location, Product, Regions, and Sales Team sheets.
- ❖ Ensuring data integrity during the merging process

3. Key Performance Indicators (KPIs):

- ❖ We will define KPIs that align with the objectives, such as total sales revenue, order quantity, average unit price, and discount rates.
- ❖ We will calculate these KPIs at both the state and regional levels.
- ❖ Exploring additional metrics that may be relevant to regional performance.

4. Visualization:

- ❖ We will Choose appropriate data visualization tool, in our case here,Tableau
- ❖ We will create visualizations to showcase regional sales trends, state-wise comparisons, and other relevant insights.
- ❖ We will consider using line charts, bar charts, and pie charts for effective communication.

5. Geospatial Analysis:

- ❖ We can use latitude and longitude information from the "Store Location" sheet for geospatial analysis.

- ❖ We can create maps to visualize regional sales performance and identify patterns across different geographic areas.

6. Sales Team Contribution:

- ❖ We can analyze the impact of each sales team on regional performance.
- ❖ We can create visualizations to demonstrate the contribution of sales teams to sales growth in different states and regions.
- ❖ Identifying high-performing teams and areas for improvement.

7. Recommendations:

- ❖ Based on our analysis, we can provide actionable recommendations for improving regional performance.
- ❖ Suggesting strategies for optimizing sales efforts in specific regions.
- ❖ Support recommendations with insights gained from data visualization and analysis.

By focusing on improving the business process of regional performance monitoring using the provided dataset, the goal is to create a more informed, efficient, and adaptive approach to managing sales activities across different regions. The integration of data, establishment of meaningful KPIs, and use of visualization tools contribute to a more robust and proactive decision-making process within the imaginary company, XYZ.

Documentation:

- ❖ Document your entire process, including data exploration, integration, KPI calculations, visualizations, and recommendations.
- ❖ Provide clear explanations for your choices, interpretations of visualizations, and insights derived from the data.
- ❖ Create a well-structured report that can be easily understood by stakeholders.

The origin of the acquired data source:

The dataset utilized for our data visualization project originates from the following reference link:
<https://data.world/dataman-udit/us-regional-sales-data>

This extensive dataset, which includes sheets such as Sales Orders, Customers, Store Locations, Products, Regions, and Sales Teams, serves as the foundation for our investigation. We want to acquire important insights into regional sales dynamics by exploiting this well-documented source, fostering a data-driven approach to improving decision-making processes inside XYZ Company.

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