

INVESTIGATING TIME TO CLOSE CLAIMS

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Background

Vivendo is a fast food chain in Brazil with over 200 outlets. Customers often claim compensation from the company for food poisoning. The legal team processes these claims. The legal team has offices in four locations. The legal team wants to improve how long it takes to reply to customers and close claims. The head of the legal department wants a report on how each location differs in the time it takes to close claims.

Task 1: Data Cleaning

```
import pandas as pd
food = pd.read_csv("food_claims_2212.csv", index_col="claim_id")
food.head()
```

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	time_to_close ▾	claim_amount ▾	amount_paid ▾	location ▾	individuals_on_claim ▾	linked_cases ▾	cause ▾
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3	183	R\$ 24447.2	23986.3	SAO LUIS	10	True	meat
4	186	R\$ 29006.28	27942.72	FORTALEZA	11	False	meat
5	138	R\$ 19520.6	16251.06	RECIFE	11	False	vegetable

Table Chart

5 rows ↓

```
# To get an overview of the values I also returned the following summaries:
```

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```
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```
# To find missing data:
```

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```
food.info()
```

```
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
Int64Index: 2000 entries, 1 to 2000
Data columns (total 7 columns):
 #   Column                Non-Null Count  Dtype  
---  -
 0   time_to_close          2000 non-null  int64  
 1   claim_amount           2000 non-null  object  
 2   amount_paid            1964 non-null  float64 
 3   location               2000 non-null  object  
 4   individuals_on_claim   2000 non-null  int64  
 5   linked_cases           1974 non-null  object  
 6   cause                  2000 non-null  object  
dtypes: float64(1), int64(2), object(4)
memory usage: 125.0+ KB
```

```
# Check that all numeric columns are showing up
```

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```
food.describe()
```

```
# I expected to see "claim_amount" here too so we will need to format this column next
```

	time_to_close ▾	amount_paid ▾	individuals_on_claim ▾
count	2000	1964	2000
mean	185.568	21541.9751832994	8.0495
std	49.163389788	12530.1565093075	4.0873466884
min	76	1516.72	1
25%	158	10995.95	4
50%	179	20105.7	8
75%	204	30709.35	12
max	518	52498.75	15

Table Chart

8 rows ▾

```
# So first, I removed the first 3 characters:
```

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food["claim_amount"] = food["claim_amount"].str[3:]
food["claim_amount"].head()
```

```
claim_id
1    74474.55
2    52137.83
3    24447.2
4    29006.28
5    19520.6
Name: claim_amount, dtype: object
```

```
# Then I changed the column type:
```

```
food["claim_amount"] = pd.to_numeric(food["claim_amount"])
food.info()
```

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```
# Finally I rounded the values to 2 decimal places:
```

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```
food["claim_amount"].round(decimals = 2)
food["amount_paid"].round(decimals = 2)

food.head()
```

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a. State whether the values match the description given in the table above.

```
# Check the "location" column has only the 4 locations listed
```

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```
food["location"].value_counts()
```

```
RECIFE      885
SAO LUIS    517
FORTALEZA   311
NATAL       287
Name: location, dtype: int64
```

```
# Check the "cause" column has only the 3 choices (meat, vegetables, unknown) listed
```

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```
food["cause"].value_counts()
```

```
meat        943
unknown     713
vegetable   314
VEGETABLES   16
Meat        14
Name: cause, dtype: int64
```

```
# What I did to correct the formatting errors in "cause":
```

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```
food["cause"] = food["cause"].str.lower()
food["cause"] = food["cause"].str.replace("vegetables", "vegetable")
food["cause"] = food["cause"].str.strip()
food["cause"].value_counts()
```

```
meat        957
unknown     713
vegetable   330
Name: cause, dtype: int64
```

b. State the number of missing values in the column:

```
food.isna().sum()
```

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```
time_to_close      0
claim_amount       0
amount_paid        36
location           0
individuals_on_claim 0
linked_cases       26
cause              0
dtype: int64
```

```
# What I did to correct these null values:
```

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```
food['amount_paid'] = food['amount_paid'].fillna(food['amount_paid'].median())
food['linked_cases'] = food['linked_cases'].fillna('False')
food.info()
food.isna().sum()
```

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time_to_close      0
claim_amount       0
amount_paid        0
location           0
individuals_on_claim 0
linked_cases       0
cause              0
dtype: int64
```

Task 2: Visualizing Data

2. Create a visualization that shows the number of claims in each location. Use the visualization to:

a. State which category of the variable location has the most observations

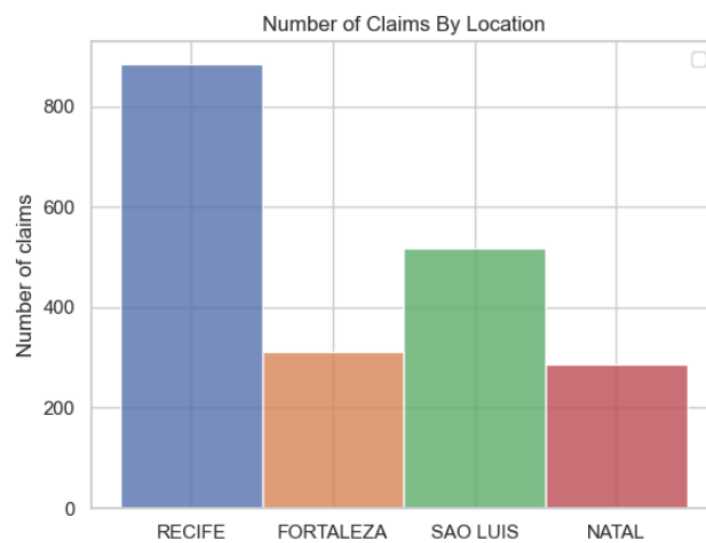
Out of 2000 total claims, Recife received the most number of claims with 885, Sao Luis received 517, Fortaleza 311, and Natal 287.

```
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import seaborn as sns

sns.set_theme(style="whitegrid")

sns.histplot(data=food, x="location", hue="location", alpha=.8)

plt.title("Number of Claims By Location")
plt.ylabel("Number of claims")
plt.xlabel("")
plt.legend("")
plt.show()
```



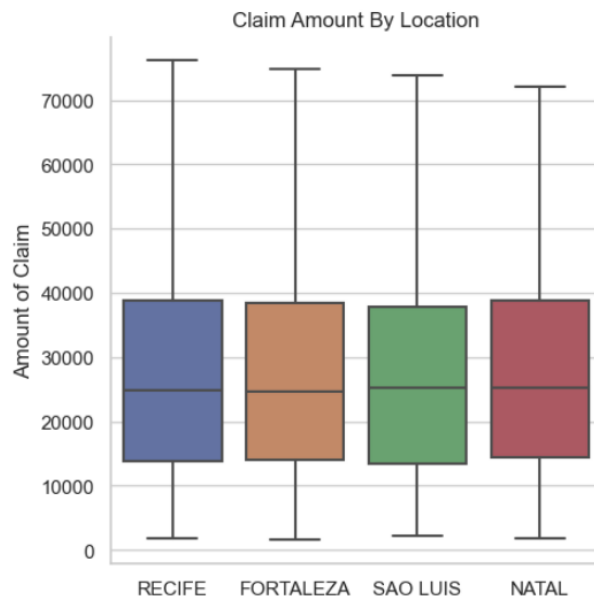
b. Explain whether the "claim amount" is balanced across categories of the variable location

The "claim amount" is consistent across the 4 locations:

```
sns.catplot(x='location',
            y='claim_amount',
            data=food,
            kind='box',
            sym='')

plt.title("Claim Amount By Location")
plt.ylabel("Amount of Claim")
plt.xlabel("")

plt.show()
```

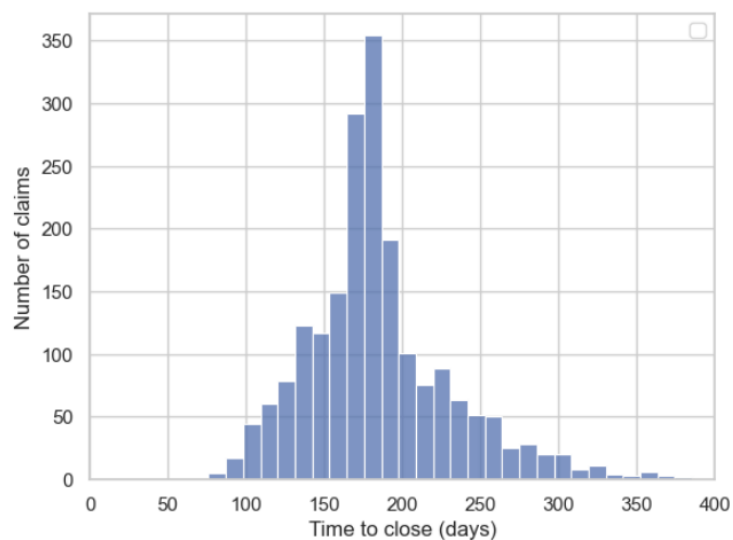


Task 3

3. Describe the distribution of time to close for all claims. Your answer must include a visualization that shows the distribution.

Time to close for all claims tends to take around 160-180 days and seems to be consistent across all 4 locations.

```
sns.histplot(data=food, x="time_to_close", bins=40)
plt.title("")
plt.ylabel("Number of claims")
plt.xlabel("Time to close (days)")
plt.xlim(0, 400)
plt.legend("")
plt.show()
```



Task 4

4. Describe the relationship between time to close and location. Your answer must include a visualization to demonstrate the relationship.

The average time to close is consistent across all 4 locations.

```
sns.boxplot(data=food, x="time_to_close", y="location")
plt.title("")
plt.xlabel("Time to close (days)")
plt.xlim(0, 400)
plt.legend("")
plt.show()
```

