

# Data Analysis for eBay Car Sales in Germany

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## 1 Project: Data Analysis for eBay Car Sales in Germany

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## Introduction

This project will analyze the vehicle market in Germany. The dataset used in the project was scraped and uploaded to Kaggle <https://www.kaggle.com/orgesleka/used-cars-database/data>, saved as 'auto\_kaggle.csv'.

**The data columns description as following:** - dateCrawled - When this ad was first crawled. All field-values are taken from this date. - name - Name of the car. - seller - Whether the seller is private or a dealer. - offerType - The type of listing - price - The price on the ad to sell the car. - abtest - Whether the listing is included in an A/B test. - vehicleType - The vehicle Type. - yearOfRegistration - The year in which which year the car was first registered. - gearbox - The transmission type. - powerPS - The power of the car in PS. - model - The car model name. - kilometer - How many kilometers the car has driven. - monthOfRegistration - The month in which year the car was first registered. - fuelType - What type of fuel the car uses. - brand - The brand of the car. - notRepairedDamage - If the car has a damage which is not yet repaired. - dateCreated - The date on which the eBay listing was created. - nrOfPictures - The number of pictures in the ad. - postalCode - The postal code for the location of the vehicle. - lastSeenOnline - When the crawler saw this ad last online.

**The project aims to answer the following questions:** > - Question 1: What is the most common brands of cars in Germany and their listed average prices? > - Question 2: Among common brands, are there large differences on kilometer that can affect listing price? > - Question 3: What are the factors that can affect car prices?

## Data Wrangling

#### 1.1.1 Step1\_1. Initial Data Exploring and drop irrelevant columns and duplicated rows

```
In [2]: # Import the libraries we will use
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
```

```

import seaborn as sns
%matplotlib inline
import pandas as pd
import numpy as np

# Loading data and check information and first 3 rows
autos=pd.read_csv('autos_kaggle.csv', encoding='Latin-1')
autos.info()
autos.head()

```

```

<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 371528 entries, 0 to 371527
Data columns (total 20 columns):
dateCrawled      371528 non-null object
name             371528 non-null object
seller           371528 non-null object
offerType        371528 non-null object
price            371528 non-null int64
abtest           371528 non-null object
vehicleType      333659 non-null object
yearOfRegistration 371528 non-null int64
gearbox          351319 non-null object
powerPS          371528 non-null int64
model            351044 non-null object
kilometer        371528 non-null int64
monthOfRegistration 371528 non-null int64
fuelType         338142 non-null object
brand            371528 non-null object
notRepairedDamage 299468 non-null object
dateCreated      371528 non-null object
nrOfPictures     371528 non-null int64
postalCode       371528 non-null int64
lastSeen         371528 non-null object
dtypes: int64(7), object(13)
memory usage: 56.7+ MB

```

```

Out[2]:

```

	dateCrawled	name	seller	offerType	\
0	2016-03-24 11:52:17	Golf_3_1.6	privat	Angebot	
1	2016-03-24 10:58:45	A5_Sportback_2.7_Tdi	privat	Angebot	
2	2016-03-14 12:52:21	Jeep_Grand_Cherokee_"Overland"	privat	Angebot	
3	2016-03-17 16:54:04	GOLF_4_1_4_3TÜRER	privat	Angebot	
4	2016-03-31 17:25:20	Skoda_Fabia_1.4_TDI_PD_Classic	privat	Angebot	

	price	abtest	vehicleType	yearOfRegistration	gearbox	powerPS	model	\
0	480	test	NaN	1993	manuell	0	golf	
1	18300	test	coupe	2011	manuell	190	NaN	
2	9800	test	suv	2004	automatik	163	grand	

3	1500	test	kleinwagen	2001	manuell	75	golf
4	3600	test	kleinwagen	2008	manuell	69	fabia

	kilometer	monthOfRegistration	fuelType	brand	notRepairedDamage	\
0	150000		0 benzin	volkswagen	NaN	
1	125000		5 diesel	audi	ja	
2	125000		8 diesel	jeep	NaN	
3	150000		6 benzin	volkswagen	nein	
4	90000		7 diesel	skoda	nein	

	dateCreated	nrOfPictures	postalCode	lastSeen
0	2016-03-24 00:00:00	0	70435	2016-04-07 03:16:57
1	2016-03-24 00:00:00	0	66954	2016-04-07 01:46:50
2	2016-03-14 00:00:00	0	90480	2016-04-05 12:47:46
3	2016-03-17 00:00:00	0	91074	2016-03-17 17:40:17
4	2016-03-31 00:00:00	0	60437	2016-04-06 10:17:21

## Analysis

- Column names need to be changed to be more descriptive and easier to work with.
- There are some columns contain null-value data.
- Some columns may not useful for analysis.
- Some columns contain non-English words and need to change to English to understand.

In [3]: `autos.describe(include='all')`

Out [3]:

	dateCrawled	name	seller	offerType	price	\
count	371528	371528	371528	371528	3.715280e+05	
unique	280500	233531	2	2	NaN	
top	2016-03-24 14:49:47	Ford_Fiesta	privat	Angebot	NaN	
freq	7	657	371525	371516	NaN	
mean	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	1.729514e+04	
std	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	3.587954e+06	
min	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	0.000000e+00	
25%	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	1.150000e+03	
50%	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	2.950000e+03	
75%	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	7.200000e+03	
max	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	2.147484e+09	

	abtest	vehicleType	yearOfRegistration	gearbox	powerPS	\
count	371528	333659	371528.000000	351319	371528.000000	
unique	2	8	NaN	2	NaN	
top	test	limousine	NaN	manuell	NaN	
freq	192585	95894	NaN	274214	NaN	
mean	NaN	NaN	2004.577997	NaN	115.549477	
std	NaN	NaN	92.866598	NaN	192.139578	
min	NaN	NaN	1000.000000	NaN	0.000000	

25%	NaN	NaN	1999.000000	NaN	70.000000
50%	NaN	NaN	2003.000000	NaN	105.000000
75%	NaN	NaN	2008.000000	NaN	150.000000
max	NaN	NaN	9999.000000	NaN	20000.000000

	model	kilometer	monthOfRegistration	fuelType	brand \
count	351044	371528.000000	371528.000000	338142	371528
unique	251	NaN	NaN	7	40
top	golf	NaN	NaN	benzin	volkswagen
freq	30070	NaN	NaN	223857	79640
mean	NaN	125618.688228	5.734445	NaN	NaN
std	NaN	40112.337051	3.712412	NaN	NaN
min	NaN	5000.000000	0.000000	NaN	NaN
25%	NaN	125000.000000	3.000000	NaN	NaN
50%	NaN	150000.000000	6.000000	NaN	NaN
75%	NaN	150000.000000	9.000000	NaN	NaN
max	NaN	150000.000000	12.000000	NaN	NaN

	notRepairedDamage	dateCreated	nrOfPictures	postalCode \
count	299468	371528	371528.0	371528.00000
unique	2	114	NaN	NaN
top	nein	2016-04-03 00:00:00	NaN	NaN
freq	263182	14450	NaN	NaN
mean	NaN	NaN	0.0	50820.66764
std	NaN	NaN	0.0	25799.08247
min	NaN	NaN	0.0	1067.00000
25%	NaN	NaN	0.0	30459.00000
50%	NaN	NaN	0.0	49610.00000
75%	NaN	NaN	0.0	71546.00000
max	NaN	NaN	0.0	99998.00000

	lastSeen
count	371528
unique	182806
top	2016-04-06 13:45:54
freq	17
mean	NaN
std	NaN
min	NaN
25%	NaN
50%	NaN
75%	NaN
max	NaN

#### Analysis:

- seller and offerType only have 2 unique value, with more than 370000 frequency;

- The following columns have *odd max and min value*: price yearOfRegistration powerPS nrOfPictures

```
In [4]: autos["seller"].value_counts()
```

```
Out[4]: privat      371525
        gewerblich    3
        Name: seller, dtype: int64
```

```
In [5]: autos["offerType"].value_counts()
```

```
Out[5]: Angebot    371516
        Gesuch      12
        Name: offerType, dtype: int64
```

```
In [6]: autos["nrOfPictures"].value_counts()
```

```
Out[6]: 0      371528
        Name: nrOfPictures, dtype: int64
```

**Analysis:** >seller and offerType have most of the values the same; nrOfPicturescolumn has 0 for every column; dateCrawled, abtest, nrOfPictures, monthOfRegistration, postalCode and lastSeen are irrelevant to our analysis for car price, so we can drop these columns.

```
In [7]: #Drop unnecessary columns
```

```
drop_col=['seller', 'offerType', 'abtest', 'dateCrawled', 'nrOfPictures', 'monthOfRegi
autos = autos.drop(drop_col, axis=1)
autos.head(1)
```

```
Out[7]:
```

	name	price	vehicleType	yearOfRegistration	gearbox	powerPS	model	\
0	Golf_3_1.6	480	NaN	1993	manuell	0	golf	
	kilometer	fuelType	brand	notRepairedDamage		dateCreated		
0	150000	benzin	volkswagen	NaN		2016-03-24 00:00:00		

```
In [8]: # Find out how many rows are duplicated
```

```
sum(autos.duplicated())
```

```
Out[8]: 3934
```

```
In [9]: # Drop duplicated rows
```

```
autos.drop_duplicates(inplace=True)
```

### 1.1.2 Step1\_2. Clean Column name

```
In [10]: autos.columns
```

```
Out[10]: Index(['name', 'price', 'vehicleType', 'yearOfRegistration', 'gearbox',
               'powerPS', 'model', 'kilometer', 'fuelType', 'brand',
               'notRepairedDamage', 'dateCreated'],
              dtype='object')
```

**Analysis:** >- Change the columns from camelcase to snakecase. >- Change a few wordings to more accurately describe the columns.

```
In [11]: autos.columns = ['name', 'price', 'vehicle_type', 'registration_year', 'gearbox', 'power_ps', 'kilometer', 'fuel_type', 'brand', 'unrepaired_damage', 'ad_created']
autos.head(1)
```

```
Out[11]:
```

	name	price	vehicle_type	registration_year	gearbox	power_ps	model	\
0	Golf_3_1.6	480	NaN	1993	manuell	0	golf	

	kilometer	fuel_type	brand	unrepaired_damage	ad_created
0	150000	benzin	volkswagen	NaN	2016-03-24 00:00:00

### 1.1.3 Step1\_3 Investigate the columns (1.'price', 2.'registration\_year', 3.'power\_ps') that have abnormal values:

#### 1. Investigate on "price" column

```
In [12]: # Find out the rows with extreme small value on price.
autos["price"].value_counts().sort_index().head(10)
```

```
Out[12]:
```

0	10667
1	1176
2	12
3	7
4	1
5	26
7	3
8	9
9	8
10	83

Name: price, dtype: int64

```
In [13]: # Find out the rows with extreme large value on price
autos["price"].value_counts().sort_index(ascending=False).head(10)
```

```
Out[13]:
```

2147483647	1
99999999	15
99000000	1
74185296	1
32545461	1
27322222	1
14000500	1
12345678	9
11111111	10
10010011	1

Name: price, dtype: int64

```
In [14]: # Find out how many car prices are under 100
sum(autos["price"]<=100)
```

```
Out[14]: 14218
```

```
In [15]: # Find out how many car prices are over 200000
sum(autos["price"]>200000)
```

```
Out[15]: 170
```

**Analysis:** > - As ebay is an auction site, it is possible to have listing with opening bid very low, based on common sense, we assume any price under 100 is too low. The amount of cars with price under 100 is less than 4%, so we will remove these rows. > - Although it is possible for luxury cars with very high price, we will limit the price within 200000 in our analysis

```
In [16]: # Remove the rows with price values under 100 and above 200000
autos=autos[autos['price'].between(100,200000)]
```

## 2. Investigate on 'registration\_year' column

```
In [17]: # Find out the extreme small value with percentage
autos["registration_year"].value_counts(normalize=True).sort_index().head()
```

```
Out[17]: 1000    0.000065
         1001    0.000003
         1039    0.000003
         1111    0.000003
         1234    0.000011
         Name: registration_year, dtype: float64
```

```
In [18]: # Find out extreme large value with percentage
autos["registration_year"].value_counts(normalize=True).sort_index(ascending=False).h
```

```
Out[18]: 9999    0.000037
         9450    0.000003
         9000    0.000011
         8888    0.000006
         8500    0.000003
         Name: registration_year, dtype: float64
```

**Analysis:** >- There are some listings with extremely small and large registration years, but the percentage is small. Based on common sense, we will cut the registration year by 1950. >- We will use the year of the 'ad\_created' as the threshold year for the highest values for registration\_year because the car can be listed on sale before it's registered.

```
In [19]: # We can also use the following method to find out the sales year
(autos["ad_created"]
 .str[:4]
 .value_counts(normalize=True, dropna=False)
 .sort_index()
 )
```

```
Out[19]: 2014    0.000003
         2015    0.000082
         2016    0.999915
         Name: ad_created, dtype: float64
```

**Analysis:** >- Most of the cars in this dataset are for sale in 2016

```
In [20]: # The percentage of our data that has unrealistic values in this column
         (~autos['registration_year'].between(1900,2016)).sum()/autos.shape[0]
```

```
Out[20]: 0.03893460555845696
```

```
In [21]: # As the number above is below 4%, we will remove rows with value below 1900 and above 2016
         autos=autos[autos['registration_year'].between(1900,2016)]
```

```
In [22]: # Since we have found out most of the list are in 2016, this is unrelated information
         # We can drop this columns.
         autos.drop('ad_created', axis=1,inplace=True)
```

**3. Investigate on 'power\_ps' column and do the same analysis and remove the rows with unrealistic values**

```
In [23]: autos=autos[autos['power_ps'].between(10,500)]
```

**1.1.4 Step1\_4 Change the values in the columns ( 1. gearbox, 2. 'unrepaired\_damage') which have only 2 unique values and are not in English**

**1.'gearbox'**

```
In [24]: autos.gearbox.value_counts()
```

```
Out[24]: manuell      234851
         automatik    68018
         Name: gearbox, dtype: int64
```

```
In [25]: mapping_dict2={'manuell':'manual', 'automatik':'automatic'}
         autos['gearbox']=autos['gearbox'].map(mapping_dict2)
         autos['gearbox'].value_counts()
```

```
Out[25]: manual      234851
         automatic    68018
         Name: gearbox, dtype: int64
```

**2.'unrepaired\_damage'**

```
In [26]: autos.unrepaired_damage.value_counts()
```

```
Out[26]: nein      236921
         ja        28544
         Name: unrepaired_damage, dtype: int64
```



```
In [27]: mapping_dict4={'nein':'no', 'ja':'yes'}
autos['unrepaired_damage']=autos['unrepaired_damage'].map(mapping_dict4)
autos['unrepaired_damage'].value_counts()
```

```
Out[27]: no      236921
         yes      28544
         Name: unrepaired_damage, dtype: int64
```

### 1.1.5 Step1\_5 Investigate Null-values

```
In [28]: autos.isnull().sum()
```

```
Out[28]: name      0
         price     0
         vehicle_type  10868
         registration_year  0
         gearbox    5290
         power_ps    0
         model     11424
         kilometer  0
         fuel_type   15431
         brand      0
         unrepaired_damage  42694
         dtype: int64
```

**Analysis** >- The columns with null-values are all text or boolean values, it is possible for not having complete informations in eBay, and as our focus is to analyze car 'price', we don't need to remove or fill these null values.

```
In [29]: # Check our changes
autos.describe(include='all')
```

```
Out[29]:
```

	name	price	vehicle_type	registration_year	gearbox	\
count	308159	308159.000000	297291	308159.000000	302869	
unique	189396	NaN	8	NaN	2	
top	BMW_318i	NaN	limousine	NaN	manual	
freq	616	NaN	86094	NaN	234851	
mean	NaN	6239.105154	NaN	2003.148037	NaN	
std	NaN	8244.307901	NaN	6.865561	NaN	
min	NaN	100.000000	NaN	1910.000000	NaN	
25%	NaN	1450.000000	NaN	1999.000000	NaN	
50%	NaN	3500.000000	NaN	2003.000000	NaN	
75%	NaN	7999.000000	NaN	2008.000000	NaN	
max	NaN	200000.000000	NaN	2016.000000	NaN	

	power_ps	model	kilometer	fuel_type	brand	\
count	308159.000000	296735	308159.000000	292728	308159	
unique	NaN	250	NaN	7	40	
top	NaN	golf	NaN	benzin	volkswagen	

freq	NaN	25147	NaN	192147	65698
mean	125.968004	NaN	125418.988250	NaN	NaN
std	60.088679	NaN	39283.109438	NaN	NaN
min	10.000000	NaN	5000.000000	NaN	NaN
25%	80.000000	NaN	100000.000000	NaN	NaN
50%	116.000000	NaN	150000.000000	NaN	NaN
75%	150.000000	NaN	150000.000000	NaN	NaN
max	500.000000	NaN	150000.000000	NaN	NaN

	unrepaired_damage
count	265465
unique	2
top	no
freq	236921
mean	NaN
std	NaN
min	NaN
25%	NaN
50%	NaN
75%	NaN
max	NaN

## Exploratory Data Analysis

### 1.1.6 Question 1: What are the common brands of vehicles in Germany and their average price ?

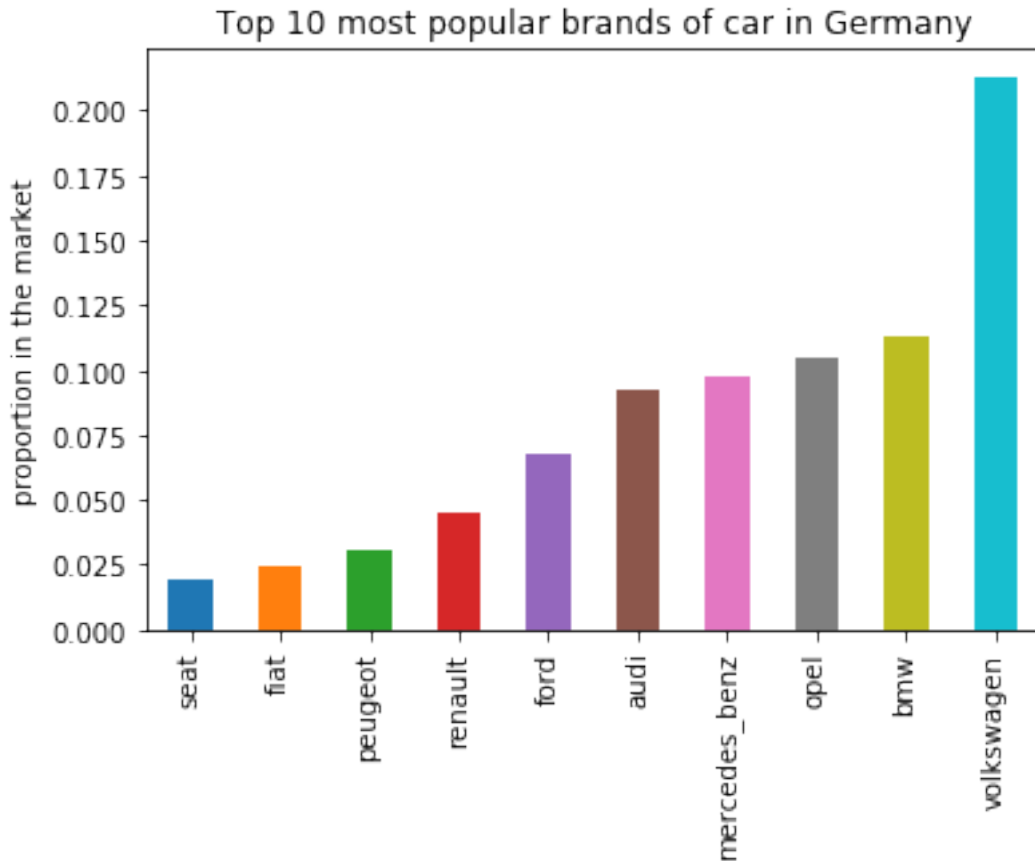
In [30]: *# List of top 10 most popular brands*

```
brand_counts=autos['brand'].value_counts(normalize=True)
brand_counts.head(10)
```

```
Out[30]: volkswagen    0.213195
         bmw           0.113370
         opel          0.104488
         mercedes_benz 0.097239
         audi          0.092348
         ford          0.067423
         renault       0.044789
         peugeot       0.030254
         fiat          0.024698
         seat          0.019178
         Name: brand, dtype: float64
```

```
In [31]: brand_counts.head(10).sort_values().plot(kind='bar', title='Top 10 most popular brands')
         plt.ylabel('proportion in the market')
```

```
Out[31]: Text(0, 0.5, 'proportion in the market')
```



**Analysis** >- Volkswagen is the most popular choice, counting more than 20% of the market  
 >- BMW, Opel, mercedes\_benz and audi are the next popular one, but far from volkswagen's popularity

```
In [32]: # Select the brands that are more than 5% of the market to analyze
common_brands=brand_counts[brand_counts > .05].index
common_brands
```

```
Out[32]: Index(['volkswagen', 'bmw', 'opel', 'mercedes_benz', 'audi', 'ford'], dtype='object')
```

```
In [33]: #Analyze the common brands and its average price
brand_mean_prices = {}
```

```
for brand in common_brands:
    brand_only = autos[autos["brand"] == brand]
    mean_price = brand_only["price"].mean()
    brand_mean_prices[brand] = int(mean_price)
```

```
brand_mean_prices
```

```
Out[33]: {'volkswagen': 5688,
          'bmw': 8680,
```

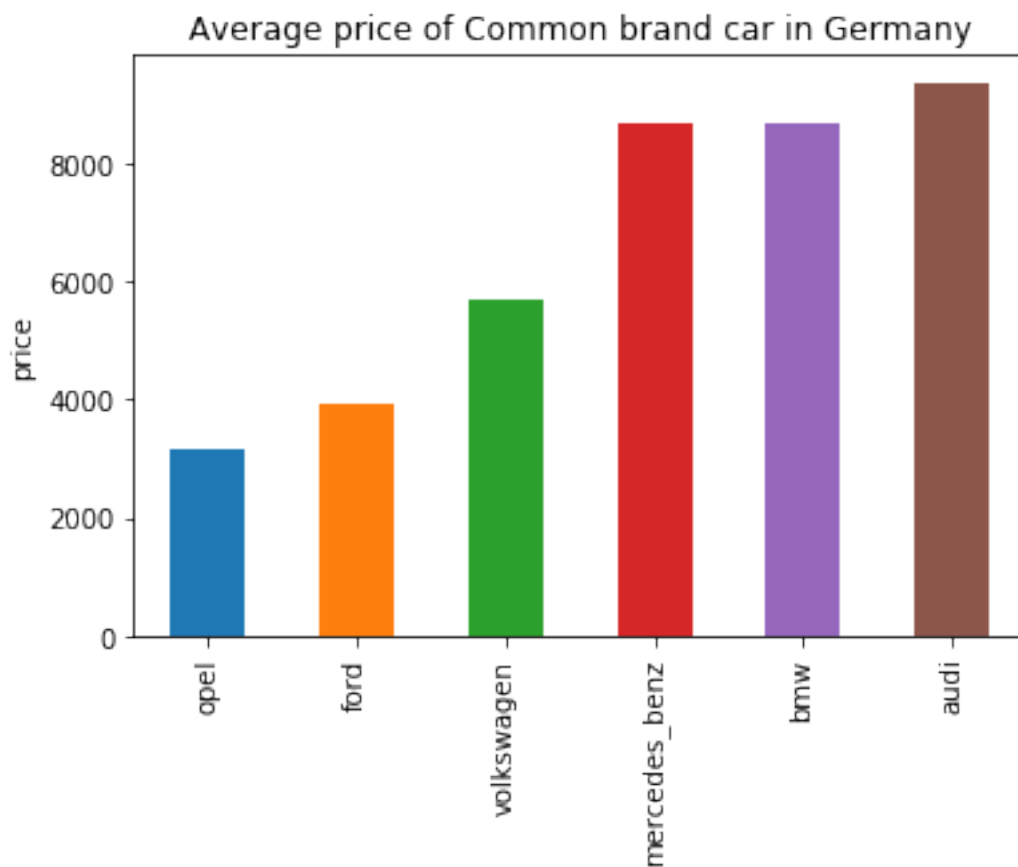
```
'opel': 3176,  
'mercedes_benz': 8664,  
'audi': 9381,  
'ford': 3942}
```

```
In [34]: # Convert the dictionary to a pandas series and sort its value  
mean_prices=pd.Series(brand_mean_prices).sort_values(ascending=False)  
mean_prices
```

```
Out [34]: audi          9381  
         bmw           8680  
         mercedes_benz  8664  
         volkswagen     5688  
         ford          3942  
         opel          3176  
         dtype: int64
```

```
In [35]: mean_prices.sort_values().plot(kind='bar', title='Average price of Common brand car in  
         plt.ylabel('price')
```

```
Out [35]: Text(0, 0.5, 'price')
```



### 1.1.7 Answer 1:

- Volkswagen is the most popular brand, followed by Opel, BMW, Mercedes, Audi and Ford.
- Among these popular brands, Audi is the most expensive, average price is 9381 dollars, followed by 8680 for BMW and 8664 for Mercedes. Volkswagen is more affordable for most people, average price is 5688. Ford and Opel are least expensive with average price under 4000.

### 1.1.8 Question 2: Among common brands, are there large differences on kilometer that can affect listing price?

```
In [36]: #Analyze the common brands and its average odometer_km
brand_mean_km = {}
```

```
for brand in common_brands:
    brand_only = autos[autos["brand"] == brand]
    mean_km = brand_only["kilometer"].mean()
    brand_mean_km[brand] = int(mean_km)
```

```
brand_mean_km
```

```
Out [36]: {'volkswagen': 128117,
          'bmw': 132985,
          'opel': 128378,
          'mercedes_benz': 130802,
          'audi': 129142,
          'ford': 123575}
```

```
In [37]: # Convert the dictionary to a pandas series
mean_km=pd.Series(brand_mean_km)
```

```
In [38]: # Convert pandas series to a data frame
common_brand_info=pd.DataFrame(mean_prices, columns=['mean_price'])
```

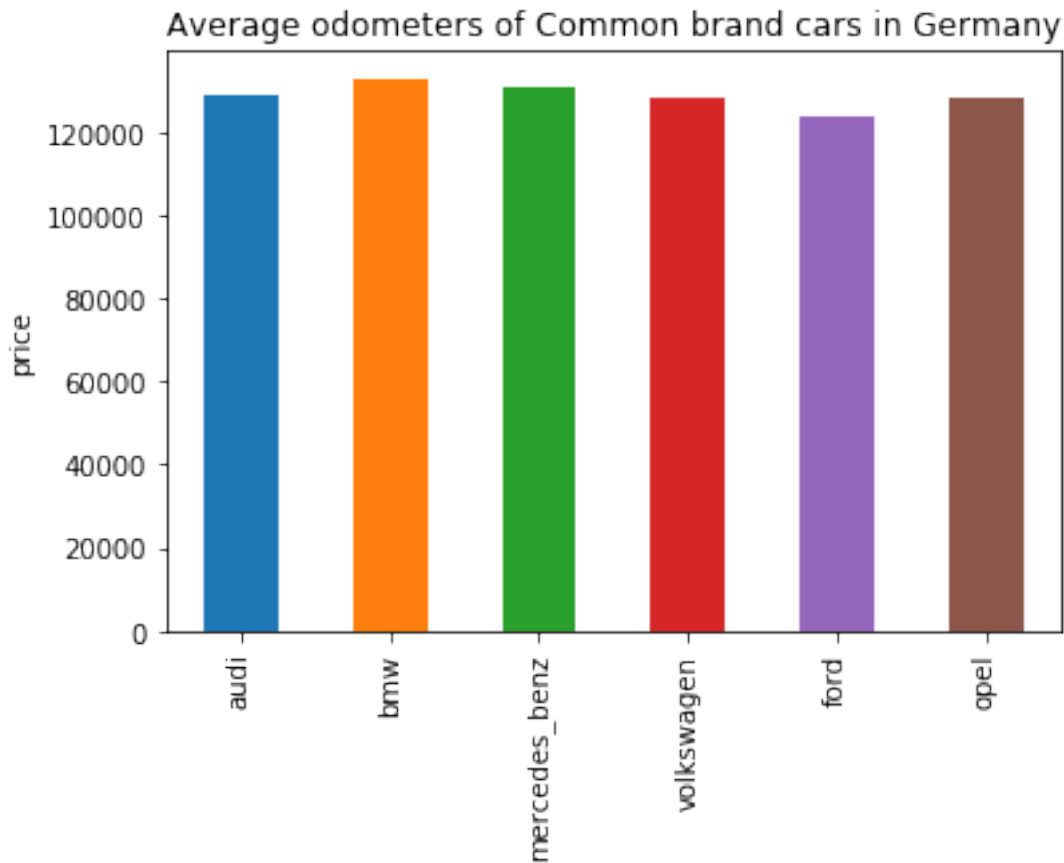
```
In [39]: # Add the 'mean_km' to the data frame
common_brand_info['mean_km']=mean_km
common_brand_info
```

```
Out [39]:
```

	mean_price	mean_km
audi	9381	129142
bmw	8680	132985
mercedes_benz	8664	130802
volkswagen	5688	128117
ford	3942	123575
opel	3176	128378

```
In [40]: common_brand_info['mean_km'].plot(kind='bar', title='Average odometers of Common brands',
plt.ylabel('price'))
```

```
Out[40]: Text(0, 0.5, 'price')
```



### 1.1.9 Answer 2:

- Among these common brands of cars on sale, the average of odometers are all above 100,000km; The range of car mileages does not vary as much as the prices do by brand.

### 1.1.10 Alternative ways to answering Questions 1&2

```
In [41]: brand_counts=autos['brand'].value_counts(normalize=True)
brand_counts.head(10)
```

```
Out[41]: volkswagen    0.213195
bmw                  0.113370
opel                 0.104488
mercedes_benz       0.097239
audi                0.092348
ford                0.067423
renault             0.044789
```

```

peugeot          0.030254
fiat              0.024698
seat             0.019178
Name: brand, dtype: float64

```

```

In [42]: common_brands=brand_counts[brand_counts > .05].index
         common_brands

```

```

Out[42]: Index(['volkswagen', 'bmw', 'opel', 'mercedes_benz', 'audi', 'ford'], dtype='object')

```

```

In [43]: # using query methods to select common brands
         autos_common_brands=autos.query('brand in ["volkswagen", "bmw", "opel", "mercedes_benz"]')
         autos_common_brands.head(2)

```

```

Out[43]:
   name      price  vehicle_type  registration_year  gearbox \
1  A5_Sportback_2.7_Tdi  18300      coupe              2011  manual
3  GOLF_4_1_4__3TÜRER   1500  kleinwagen              2001  manual

   power_ps  model  kilometer  fuel_type  brand  unrepaired_damage
1      190   NaN    125000    diesel    audi             yes
3       75  golf    150000    benzin  volkswagen             no

```

```

In [44]: common_brands_info=autos_common_brands.groupby('brand').mean()[['price', 'kilometer']]
         common_brands_info

```

```

Out[44]:
          price      kilometer
brand
audi      9381.733959  129142.771804
bmw       8680.722063  132985.029769
ford      3942.425567  123575.588391
mercedes_benz  8664.469681  130802.603037
opel      3176.230069  128378.365788
volkswagen  5688.166885  128117.827027

```

### 1.1.11 Question 3: What are the factors that affect car price?

#### 1.1.12 Q3\_Step1: First we will analyze the columns with numerical value and see how it is correlated with the car price using correlation heatmap and scatter chart.

```

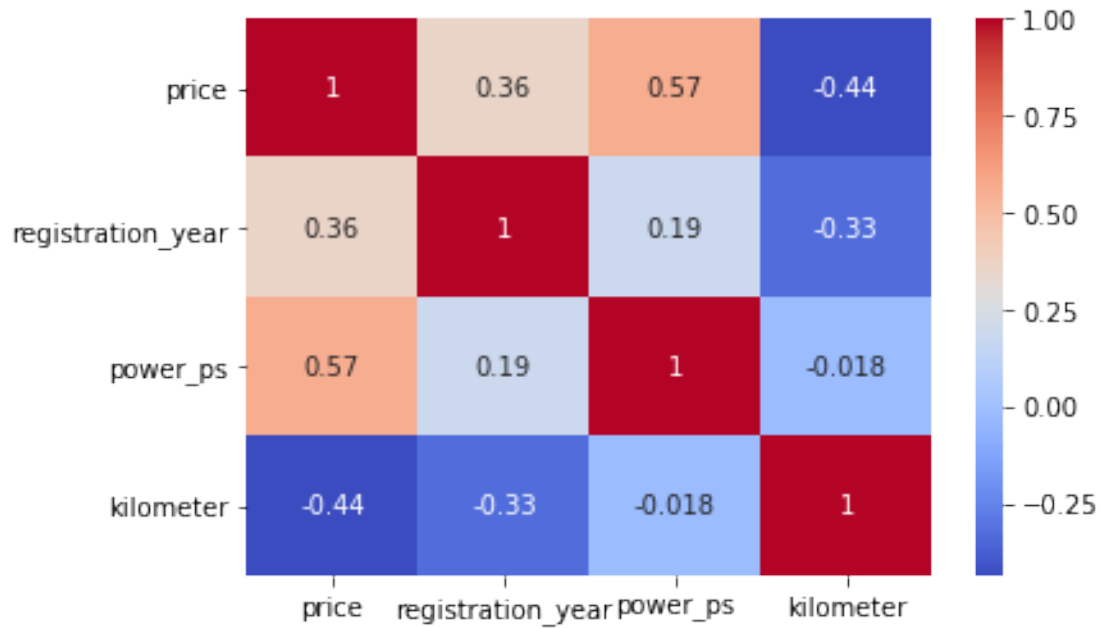
In [45]: # plot correlation heatmap
         sns.heatmap(autos.corr(), annot=True, cmap='coolwarm')

```

```

Out[45]: <matplotlib.axes._subplots.AxesSubplot at 0x1a1eaf5080>

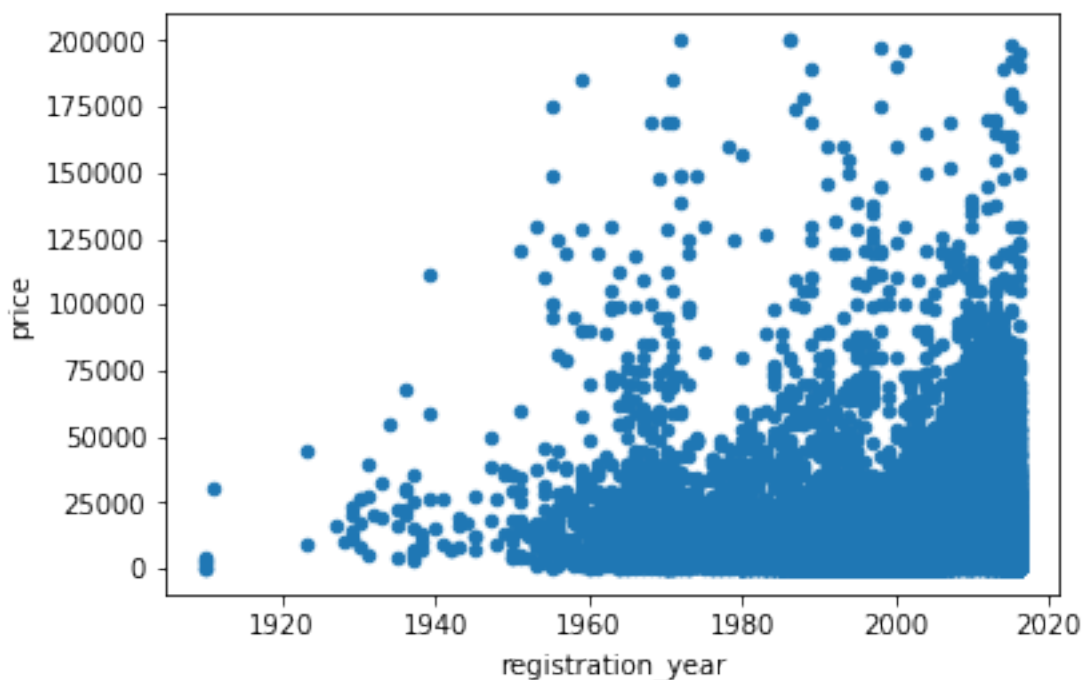
```



**Analysis** >- Prices are positively correlated with power\_ps and registration\_year. Power\_ps has stronger correlation. >- Prices are negatively correlated with kilometer.

In [46]: *# plot scatter chart to check the relation between 'registration\_year' and 'price'*  
`autos.plot(kind='scatter', x='registration_year', y='price')`

Out[46]: <matplotlib.axes.\_subplots.AxesSubplot at 0x1a1f67d6a0>

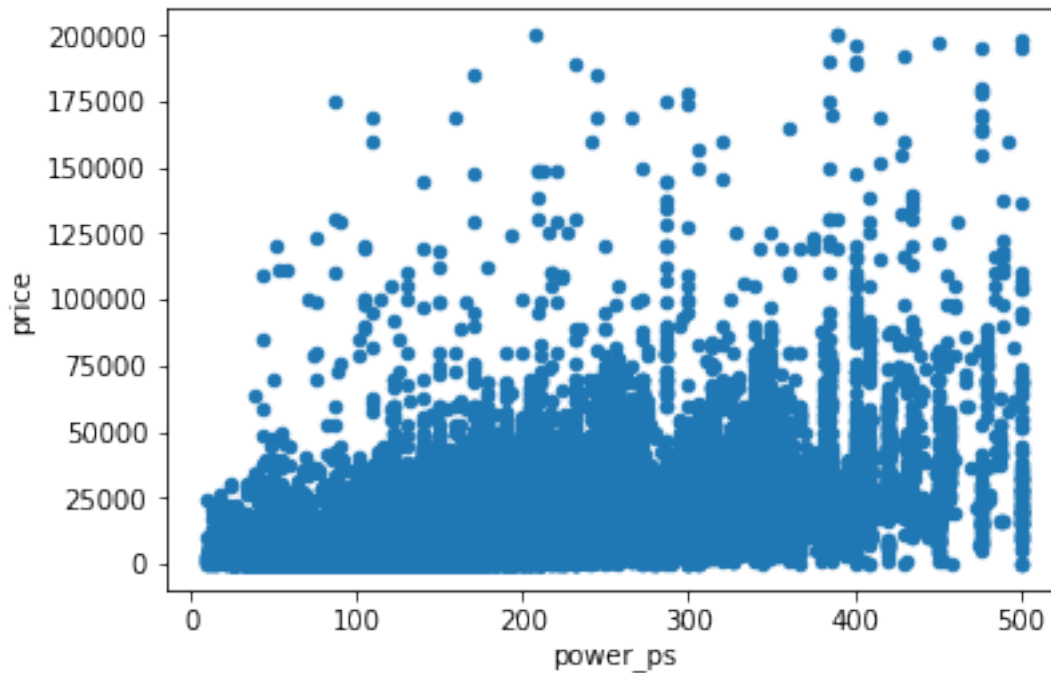




**Analysis** >- In general, the newer the cars, the higher the prices, but for a given registration year, there are still huge gap on prices

```
In [47]: # plot scatter chart to check the relation between 'power_ps' and 'price'
autos.plot(kind='scatter', x='power_ps', y='price')
```

```
Out[47]: <matplotlib.axes._subplots.AxesSubplot at 0x1a1f6e4cf8>
```



**Analysis** >- Most cars have pow\_ps under 400, and in general the higher the power\_ps, the higher the price; but there are cars with extremely high power\_ps, but prices range is still very large.

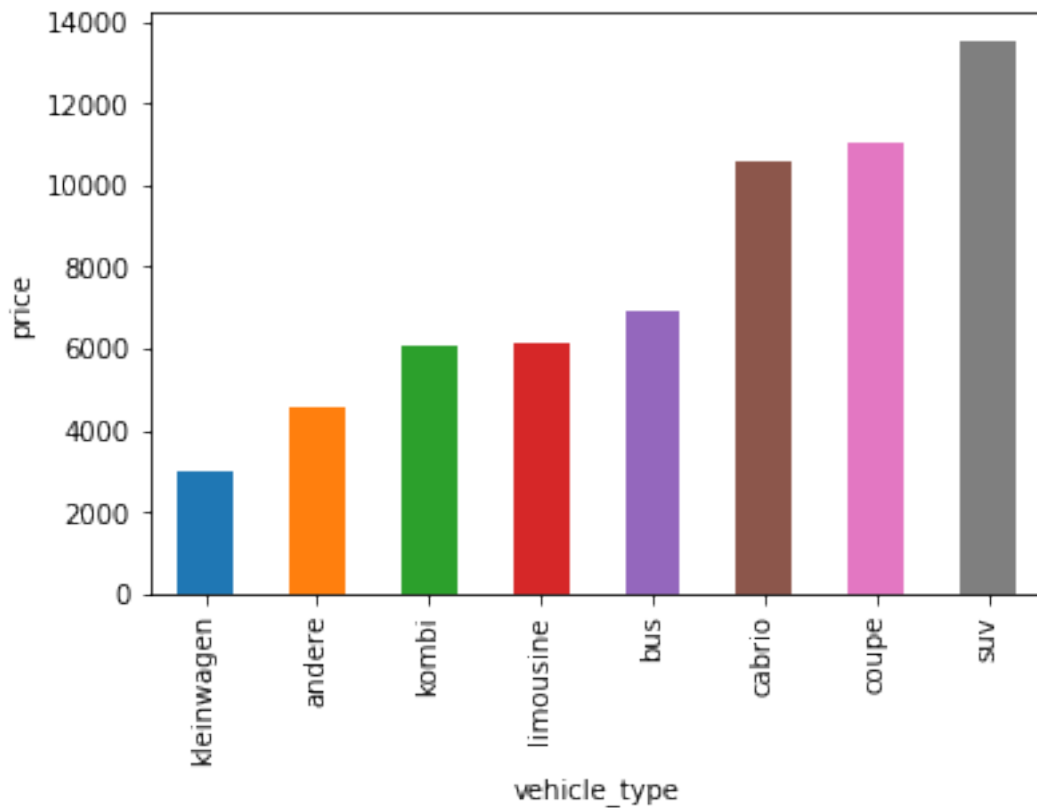
**1.1.13 Q3\_Step2:** We will analyze the columns with categorical string values using bar chart.

**1. 'vehicle\_type'**

```
In [48]: type_price=autos.groupby('vehicle_type').mean()['price']
         type_price.sort_values().plot(kind='bar')

         plt.ylabel('price')
```

```
Out[48]: Text(0, 0.5, 'price')
```

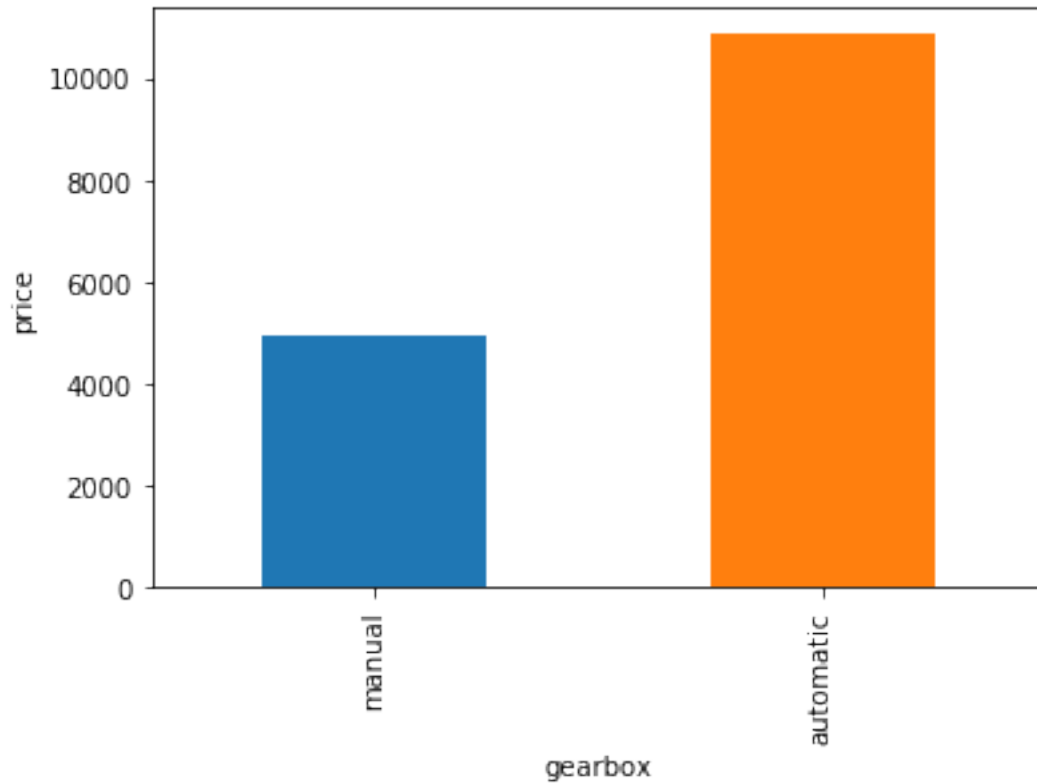


**Analyze** >- As we can see, suv is the most expensive ones, and kleinwagen the lease expensive.  
**2. 'gearbox'**

```
In [49]: # Analyze whether the damage is repaired can positively influence the price
gearbox_price=autos.groupby('gearbox')['price'].mean()
gearbox_price.sort_values().plot(kind='bar')

plt.ylabel('price')
```

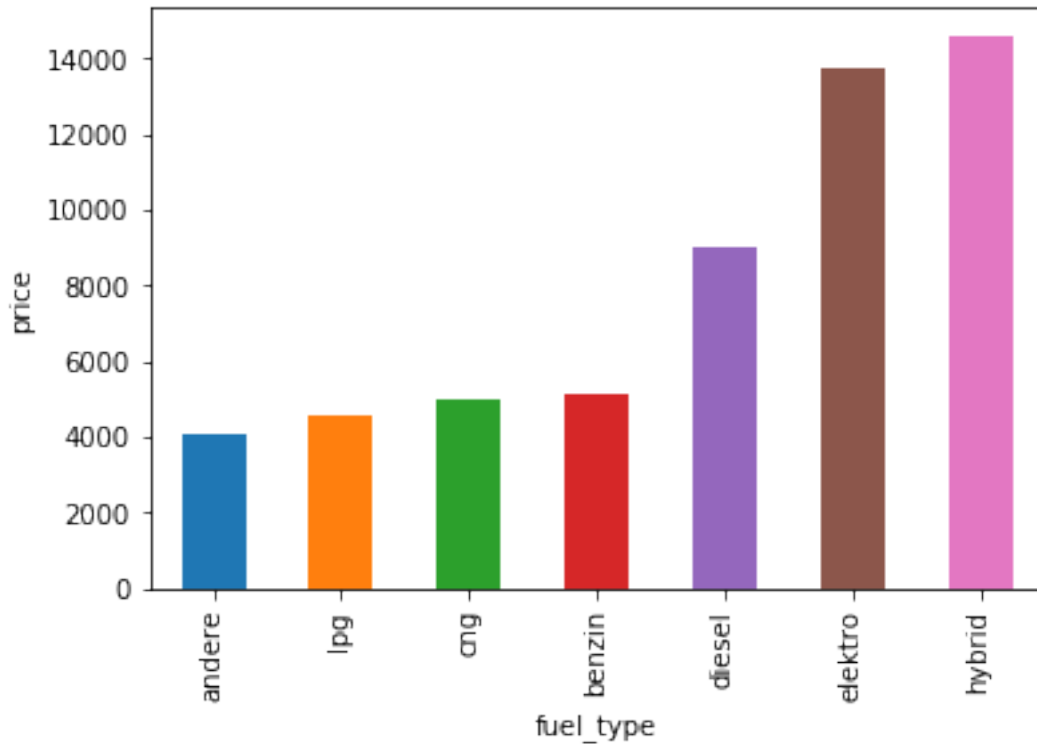
```
Out[49]: Text(0, 0.5, 'price')
```



**Analysis** >- In general, automatic cars are more expensive  
**3. 'fuel\_type'**

```
In [50]: fuel_price=autos.groupby('fuel_type').mean()['price']  
         fuel_price.sort_values().plot(kind='bar')  
  
         plt.ylabel('price')
```

```
Out[50]: Text(0, 0.5, 'price')
```

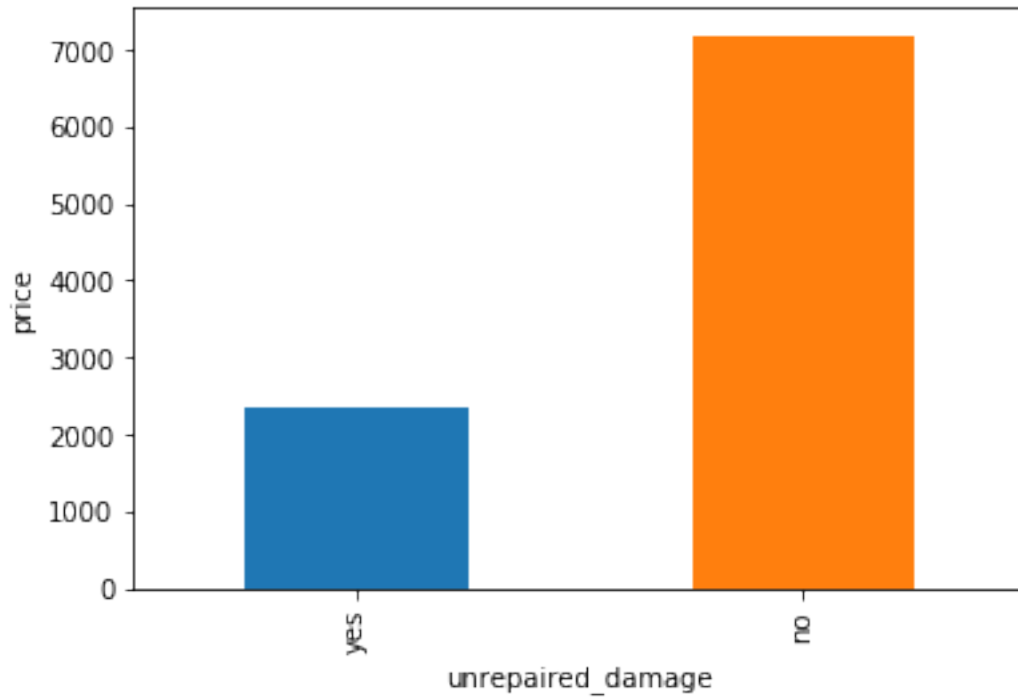


**Analysis** >- hybrid are most expensive one and tightlt followed by elektro, diesel and benzin.  
**4. 'unrepaired\_damage'**

```
In [51]: # Analyze whether the damage is repaired can positively influnce the price
unrepaired_price=autos.groupby('unrepaired_damage')['price'].mean()
unrepaired_price.sort_values().plot(kind='bar')

plt.ylabel('price')
```

```
Out[51]: Text(0, 0.5, 'price')
```

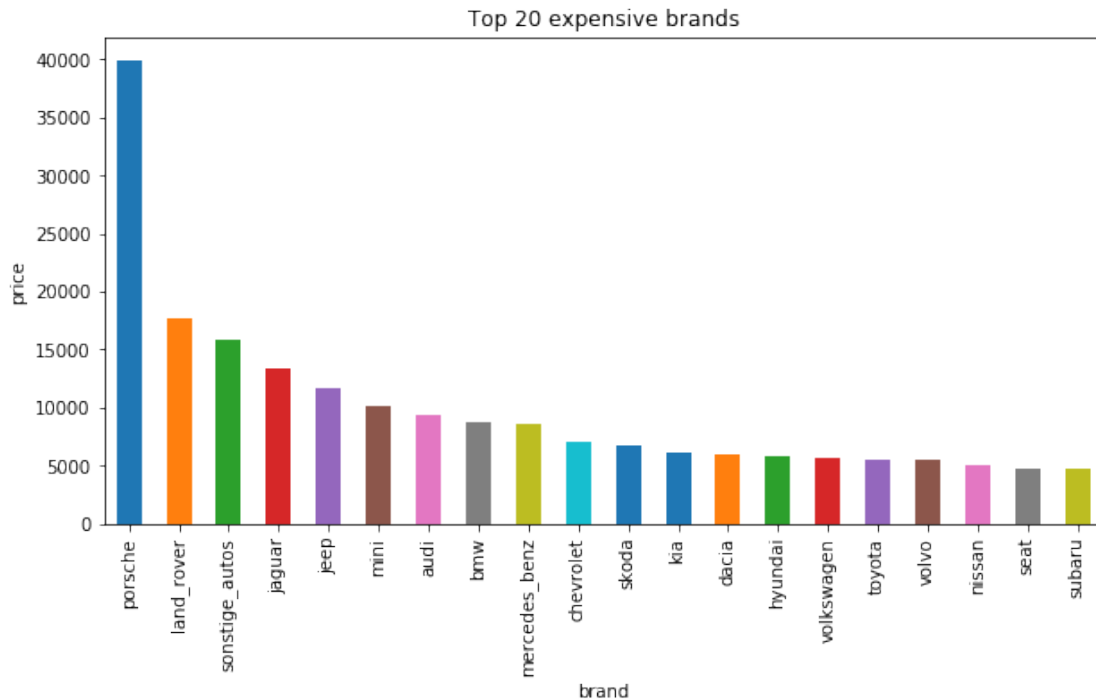


**Analysis >-** In general, when the damage is repaired, the car prices are higher  
**5.'brand'**

```
In [52]: top_20_expensive=autos.groupby('brand').mean().sort_values('price',ascending=False).head(20)
top_20_expensive['price'].plot(kind='bar',title='Top 20 expensive brands', figsize=(10,5))

plt.ylabel('price')
```

```
Out[52]: Text(0, 0.5, 'price')
```



**Analysis** >- Porsche is the most expensive brand, the average price double the following competitor 'land\_rover'. >- The top 6 most expensive brands are all not the most common brands. The most popular brand volkswagen has very affordable average price.

#### 1.1.14 Q3\_Step4: Let's analyze the most popular brand 'volkswagen', and see how car model and car name length can affect prices

```
In [53]: # Selet the rows that are volkswagen for analyze
volkswagen=autos[autos['brand']=='volkswagen']
volkswagen.describe(include='all')
```

```
Out [53]:
```

	name	price	vehicle_type	registration_year	\
count	65698	65698.000000	62552	65698.000000	
unique	40985	NaN	8	NaN	
top	Volkswagen_Golf_1.4	NaN	limousine	NaN	
freq	573	NaN	18529	NaN	
mean	NaN	5688.166885	NaN	2002.711148	
std	NaN	6409.844585	NaN	7.110533	
min	NaN	100.000000	NaN	1910.000000	
25%	NaN	1400.000000	NaN	1998.000000	
50%	NaN	3333.000000	NaN	2003.000000	
75%	NaN	7800.000000	NaN	2008.000000	
max	NaN	123456.000000	NaN	2016.000000	

gearbox	power_ps	model	kilometer	fuel_type	brand	\
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count	64564	65698.000000	63665	65698.000000	62156	65698
unique	2	NaN	22	NaN	7	1
top	manual	NaN	golf	NaN	benzin	volkswagen
freq	55398	NaN	25147	NaN	37641	65698
mean	NaN	106.265746	NaN	128117.827027	NaN	NaN
std	NaN	45.209319	NaN	38422.095700	NaN	NaN
min	NaN	10.000000	NaN	5000.000000	NaN	NaN
25%	NaN	75.000000	NaN	125000.000000	NaN	NaN
50%	NaN	101.000000	NaN	150000.000000	NaN	NaN
75%	NaN	131.000000	NaN	150000.000000	NaN	NaN
max	NaN	500.000000	NaN	150000.000000	NaN	NaN

	unrepaired_damage
count	55382
unique	2
top	no
freq	49797
mean	NaN
std	NaN
min	NaN
25%	NaN
50%	NaN
75%	NaN
max	NaN

```
In [54]: # Add a new columns for the name length
volkswagen['name_length']=volkswagen['name'].apply(len)
volkswagen[['price', 'name_length']].corr()
```

/Users/lutang/anaconda3/lib/python3.7/site-packages/ipykernel\_launcher.py:2: SettingWithCopyWarning: A value is trying to be set on a copy of a slice from a DataFrame.  
Try using .loc[row\_indexer,col\_indexer] = value instead

See the caveats in the documentation: <http://pandas.pydata.org/pandas-docs/stable/indexing.html>

```
Out [54]:
```

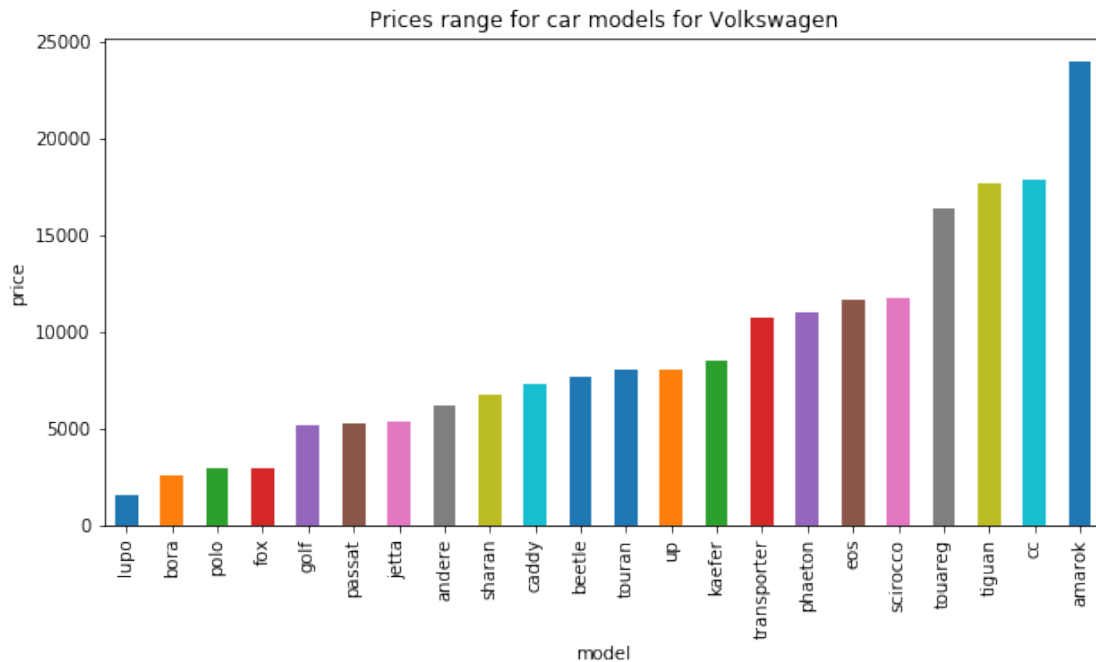
	price	name_length
price	1.00000	0.29155
name_length	0.29155	1.00000

**Analysis** >- name\_lenth is positively correlated with price, as the longer the name is, the more features are added, so the price is higher, but the correlation is not strong.

```
In [55]: model_price=volkswagen.groupby('model')['price'].mean()
model_price.sort_values().plot(kind='bar',figsize=(10,5), title='Prices range for car

plt.ylabel('price')
```

Out[55]: Text(0, 0.5, 'price')



**Analysis** >- There are huge price gap on different car model. For volkswagen, amorok is the most expensive ones, and lupo the least expensive one. >- I have done the same analysis for other factors for volkswagen, and results are consistant compared with the whole dataset analysis.

### 1.1.15 Answer 3:

- From the correlation heatmap and scatter chart, we can conclude price are positively correlated with power\_ps and registration\_year and are negatively correlated with kilometer in general, and power\_ps is has stronger influence.
- The other strong catagorical factors that affect the car price are the brand and whether the damage is repaired or not; Also automic are much mroe expensive than manual
- vehicle\_type and fuel\_type have strong effects too
- By analyzing data for volkswagen, the most common brand in Germany, we can see the above conclusions are consistent for specific car brand. And for the same brand, different models have high price ranges too.