

Report for one acre technical associate

For this assignment I was unable to use Microsoft Access because there were no free trial version for 2007 or 2010. I also tried to use Apache openoffice which is an open source database manager similar to Microsoft Access. It has support for Microsoft Access however the ODBC driver had a trial version that only gave you access to the first three lines in the database.

I decided to improvise with sqlite3 (that's my inbuilt database engine on my mac). I was able to find a driver whose trial version allowed me to import half the entries of the database you provided. For the two questions I was only able to use half the entries of both the tables in the database, hopefully my solution can be judged against that.

For the assignment the tools I used sqlite to perform queries and Microsoft excel to create my reports.

Question 1)

I decided to create a new table(T1) that was a combination of tmpClientEnrollmentInputChoices and tmpUpdateRepayments. The fields in the T1 were ClientID, Inputseedchoice, LandSize and LastRepaymentDate. To get the LandSize for the district I summed up all the land sizes using a simple sum sql query. The result is attached in the pdf called Question_1.pdf

During my interview, I remember you mentioning to me that farmers paid back in groups. I decided to group the farmers according to the date their payment was submitted. I used an sql query that summed the number of clients who paid in a day and group them by the day of payment. With this I was able to divide the farmers into sectors according to their date of payment. The result is attached the pdf called Question_1.pdf

To come up with combined land size according to site, I used another column which was similar to all clients which is inputseedchoice. I also assumed farmers who grew similar crops would be under the same site as they would attend the same training session. For each day of payment, using an sql query, I grouped them according to the inputseedchoice. The result is attached the pdf called Question_1.pdf which shows the number of farmers grouped by day of payment and inputseedchoice.

Question 2)

I used python (instead of vba because I failed to install Microsoft Access) to create a function that calculated the optimal number of bags for each land size. Below is the result,

Landsize	Total_kg	fivekg	twokg	onekg
0.25	2.5	0	1	1

0.5	5	1	0	0
0.75	7.5	1	1	1
1	10	2	0	0
1.25	12.5	2	1	1
1.5	15	3	0	0
1.75	17.5	3	1	1
2	20	4	0	0
2.25	22.5	4	1	1
2.5	25	5	0	0
2.75	27.5	5	1	1
3	30	6	0	0
3.25	32.5	6	1	1
3.5	35	7	0	0
3.75	37.5	7	1	1
4	40	8	0	0
4.25	42.5	8	1	1
4.5	45	9	0	0
4.75	47.5	9	1	1
5	50	10	0	0

I imported the table to the database called test.db.I also created a table called client_land that contained the ClientID and the LandSize. Using these two tables I was able to perform an outer join to get the bag sizes required for each client . Attached is the result in a pdf called Question_2.pdf, which shows for every client the bag size they are expected to pick up.