# **Data Collection and Preprocessing**

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### **Data Overview**

The dataset consists of global inflation data collected from Kaggle, covering multiple countries and years. It includes country-wise and year-wise inflation rates, with additional columns such as inflation categories and adjusted inflation values. The data is primarily in CSV format and requires cleaning and transformation to enable accurate analysis.

### **Data Cleaning**

- Identified missing values in some country-year records, handled by imputing regional averages or excluding incomplete rows.
- Removed duplicate entries based on country and year to avoid double counting.
- Corrected certain outliers and inconsistent inflation values by cross-referencing with official data where available.

### **Data Transformation**

- Utilized Power Query Editor in Power BI for filtering irrelevant columns and sorting data chronologically.
- Created calculated columns such as inflation rate categories (low, moderate, high) based on threshold values

 Pivoted some data tables to align years as columns for specific comparative visualizations

# **Data Type Conversion**

- Ensured all columns had correct data types: country names as text, year as integer, inflation rates as decimal numbers.
- Converted any wrongly typed columns to appropriate formats to facilitate calculations and filtering.

### **Column Splitting and Merging**

- Split combined location information into separate country and region columns for better grouping and filtering.
- Merged related columns of actual inflation and adjusted inflation rates into a consolidated table with clear labels.

## **Data Modeling**

- Established relationships between inflation tables and regional mapping tables based on the country key.
- Created DAX measures for KPIs such as average inflation rate, inflation category, and year-over-year inflation change.

### **Save Processed Data**

- Saved the cleaned, transformed, and modeled data as a Power BI (.pbix) file.
- Exported a backup clean CSV file for future reuse and sharing among team members.

This structured preprocessing ensures accurate, high-quality data for meaningful inflation trend analysis and interactive visualization in Power BI.