

Title of Project:

Amazon E-Commerce Sales Performance and Profitability Analysis

Sector: E-Commerce / Online Retail

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1.EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Problem Statement

In the highly competitive Amazon marketplace, sellers struggle to identify the specific levers that drive revenue. With thousands of product listings, raw metrics (like price or review count) do not clearly correlate with success. Without structured analysis, sellers cannot determine if investing in "Sponsored Ads," pursuing a "Best Seller" badge, or lowering prices via "Coupons" yields the highest Return on Investment (ROI).

Approach:

We obtained a large-scale dataset of Amazon product listings. To ensure analytical agility and statistical significance, we performed a stratified sampling of the data. Using a rigorous Google Sheets-based pipeline, we cleaned the data (removing duplicates and validating pricing), engineered new features (e.g., **Estimated_Revenue**), and built a dynamic Executive Dashboard. The analysis focused on correlating attributes like Ratings, Badges, and Stock Availability with financial performance.

Key Insights:

- **Quality over Quantity:** Products with ratings between **4.5 - 5** stars generate the highest total revenue.
- **The "Badge" Multiplier:** Items with a **"Best Seller" badge** generate approximately **5x to 10x higher revenue** than generic items, proving it is the most valuable asset for a seller.
- **Ads Drive Volume:** "Sponsored" products show significantly higher unit sales (Volume) but often lower margins, suggesting ads are a tool for visibility, not per-unit profit.

Recommendations:

- Focus on **high-rating and best-seller products** with more visibility and ads.
- Optimise **inventory, sponsored placements, coupons, and free shipping** strategies.

Business Impact:

- Can **increase conversion rates, improve visibility, and boost overall revenue.**
- Dashboard enables **continuous monitoring and data-driven decision making**

2.SECTOR & BUSINESS CONTEXT

Sector Overview:

- Based on **Amazon E-Commerce sector**
- Sales depend on **visibility, price, ratings, and delivery features**

Current Challenges:

- **High competition and price-sensitive customers**
- Dependence on **ratings, reviews, and promotions** to drive sales

Why This Problem Was Chosen:

- To find **what drives sales and revenue on Amazon**
- To help improve **visibility, conversions, and business strategy**

3.PROBLEM STATEMENT & OBJECTIVES

Formal Problem Definition:

- Analyse **Amazon product data**
- Identify how **ratings, price, promotions, and stock** affect sales and revenue

Project Scope:

- Includes **ratings, reviews, price, sales, coupons, sponsorship, stock, shipping**
- Analysis done using **Google Sheets and dashboard**

Success Criteria:

- Identify **key sales drivers**
- Provide **clear insights and dashboard for decision-making**

4. DATA DESCRIPTION

Exact Dataset Source & Access Link:

The dataset used is Amazon Products Sales Dataset (42K+ Items – 2025) available on Kaggle.

Access link:

<https://www.kaggle.com/datasets/ikramshah512/amazon-products-sales-dataset-42k-items-2025>

Data Structure:

The dataset is structured at the product level where each row represents one Amazon product and each column represents attributes such as price, rating, category, and sales-related details.

Columns Explanation:

The dataset contains key features including product name, price, discounted price, category, ratings, number of reviews, product URL, and other performance indicators used for analysis.

Data Size:

The dataset contains approximately 42,000+ product records covering multiple product categories and subcategories.

Data Limitations:

The dataset is collected using web scraping, so it may contain missing values, inconsistent entries, and is a snapshot of listings rather than real-time or exact sales performance.

5.DATA CLEANING & PREPARATION

Column Name	Business Relevance	Cleaning Action Taken
title	Product ID: Key for identifying items.	Deleted blank rows.
rating	Quality Metric: Correlates sentiment with sales.	Deleted rows with missing values to ensure quality data.
Sales_Clean	Volume Metric: Primary measure of demand.	Extracted integers (e.g., "2K+" => 2000).
Final_Price	Revenue Driver: Critical for financial modeling.	Consolidated 3 columns; Deleted rows where price was missing.
Estimated_Revenue	North Star Metric: Ultimate success measure.	Calculated: <code>Sales * Price</code> .
is_best_seller	Trust Signal: Influences buyer psychology.	Standardized to "Best Seller" or "Deal" or "No Badge".
is_sponsored	Marketing Efficiency: Measures ad ROI.	Standardized to "Sponsored" and "Not Sponsored"

in_stock	Supply Chain: Operational health metric.	Created Binary Flag based on "Add to Cart" value. Deleted original column.
free_shipping	Logistics: Conversion driver.	Created Binary Flag based on "FREE" keyword. Deleted original column.

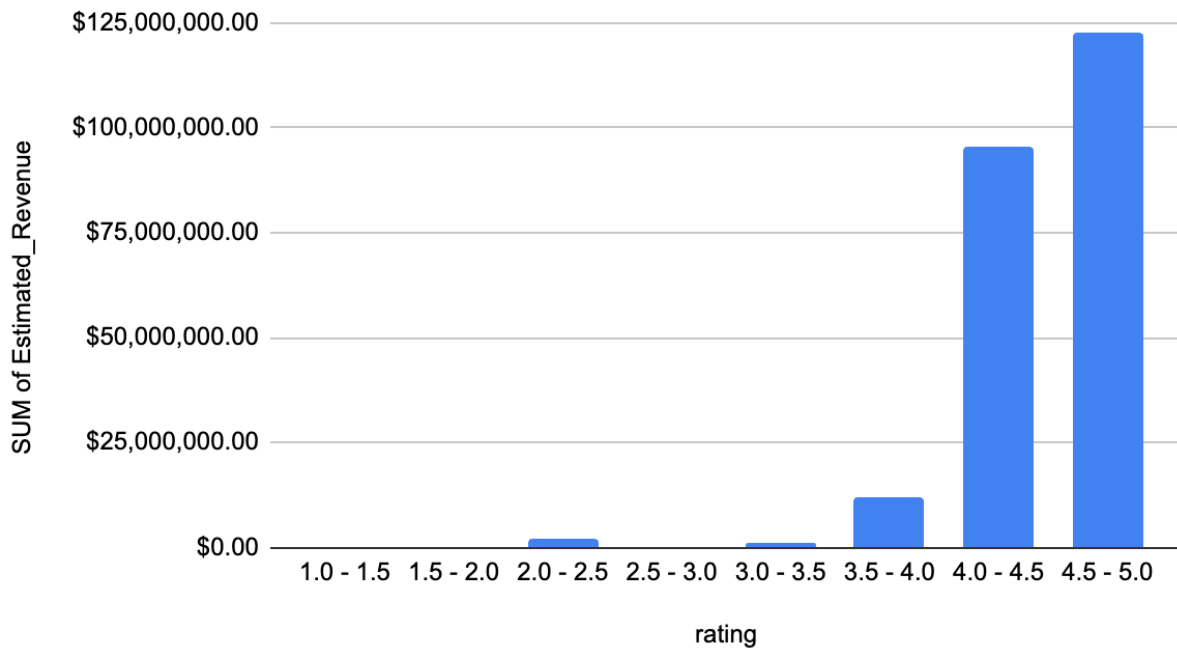
6.KPI & METRIC FRAMEWORK

- **KPI Definitions:** Sales, Revenue, Rating, Reviews, Sponsored, Coupons, Stock
- **Formula:** Revenue = Sales × Price; Avg Rating = average rating; Sponsored % = sponsored ÷ total
- **Why KPIs Matter:** Show demand, customer trust, and impact of promotions
- **Mapping to Objectives:** Track sales growth, customer satisfaction, and conversion performance

7. EXPLORATORY DATA ANALYSIS (EDA)

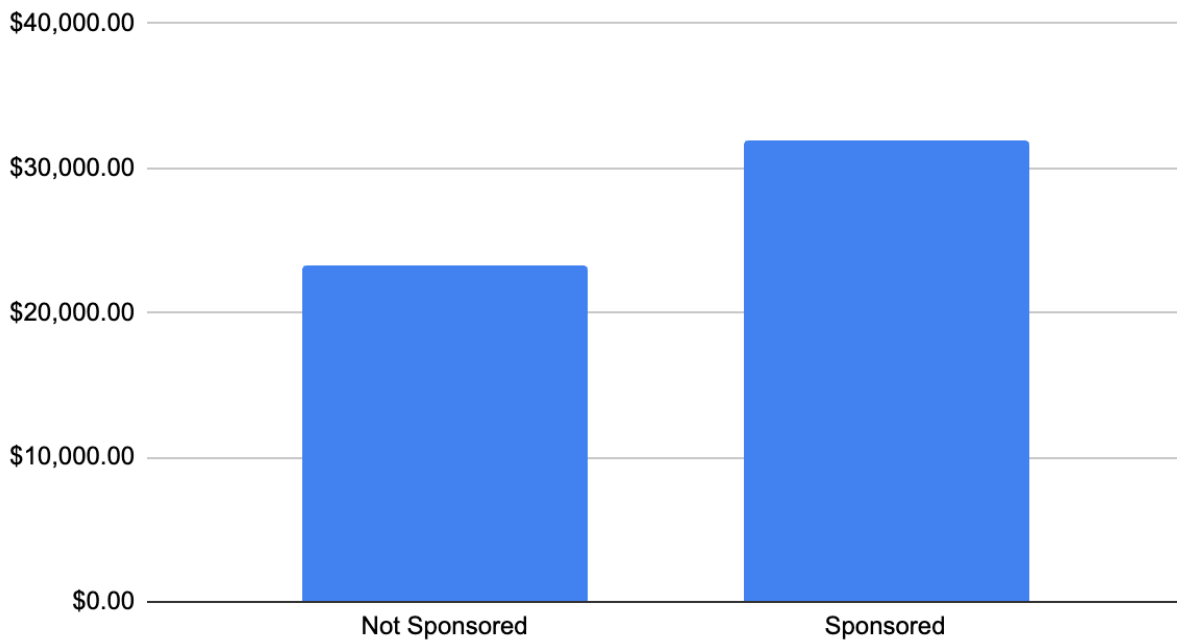
Trend Analysis: Revenue increases with higher ratings, and products rated **4.0–5.0** generate the highest revenue.

SUM of Estimated_Revenue vs. rating

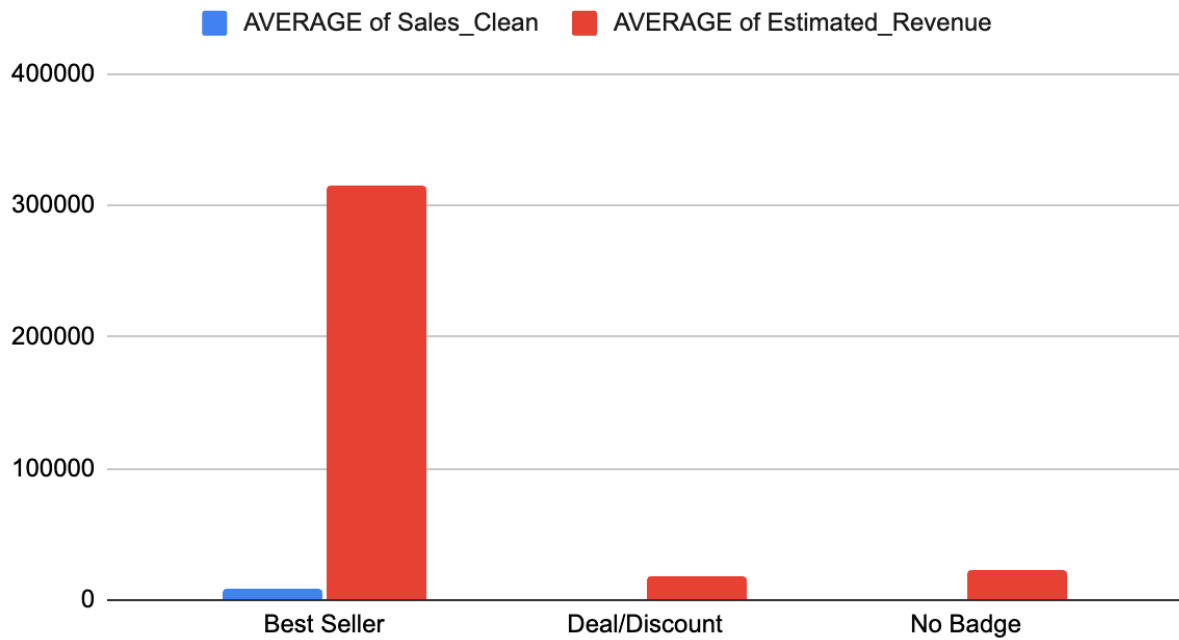


Comparison Analysis: Sponsored and best-seller products show **higher average sales and revenue** than others

AVERAGE of Estimated_Revenue vs. is_sponsored

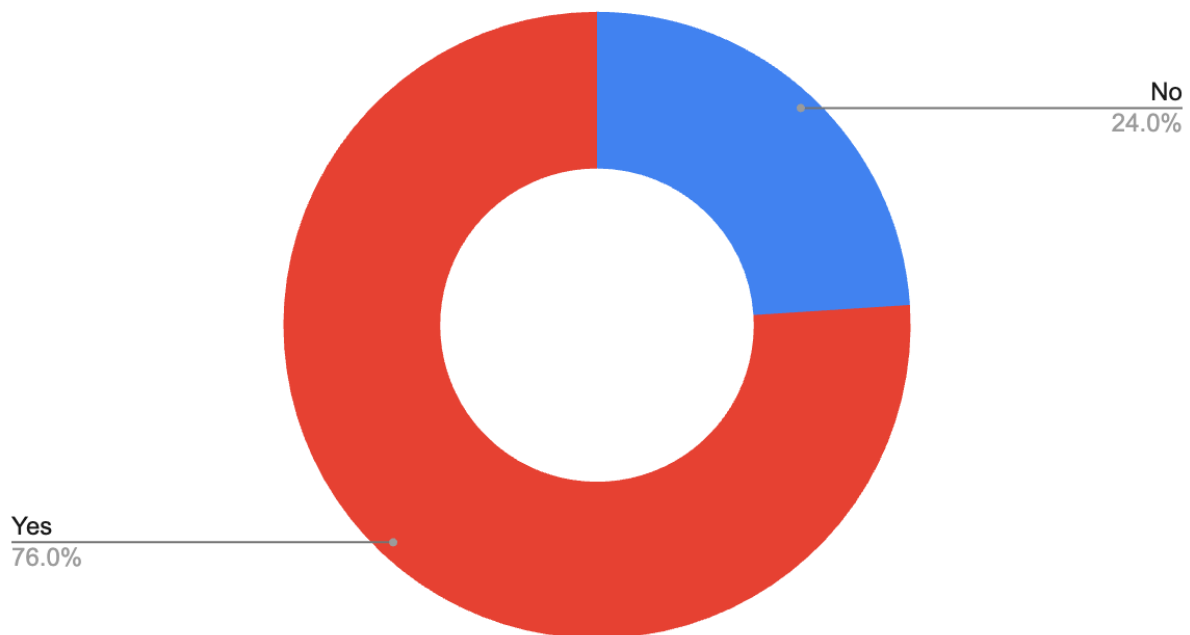


AVERAGE of Sales_clean and Final Price vs. free_shipping



Distribution Analysis: Most sales come from **in-stock products (~76%)**, and free shipping impacts pricing and sales levels.

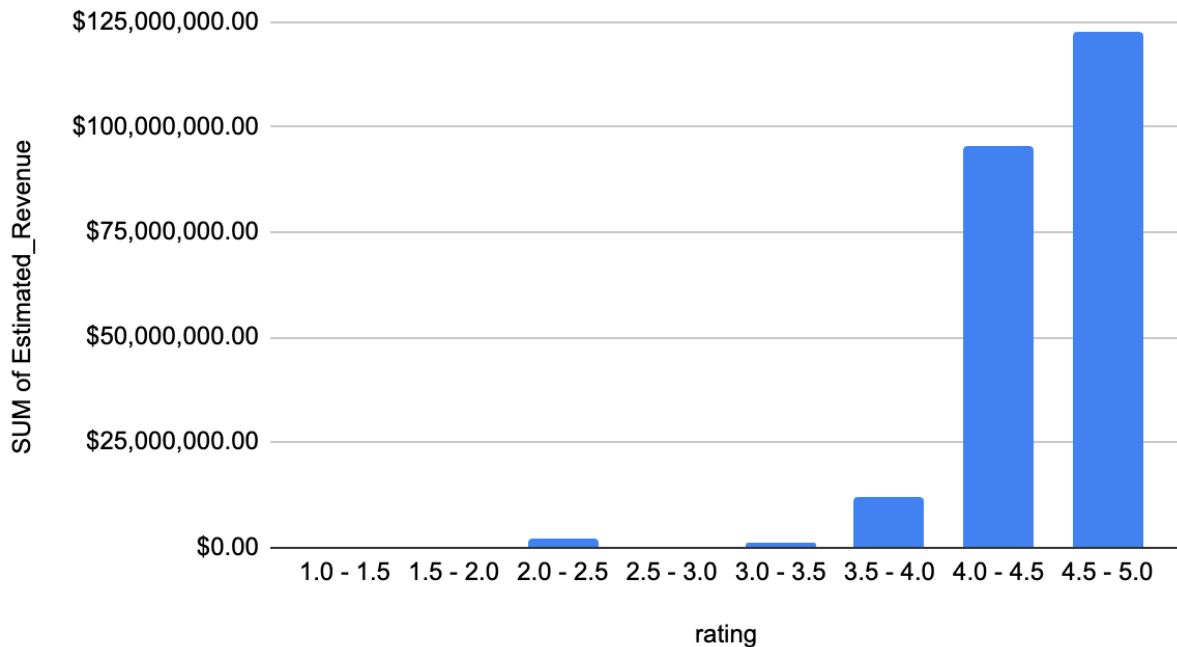
SUM of Sales_Clean vs. in_stock



Correlation Analysis: Higher ratings and promotional tags show a **positive impact**

on sales and revenue.

SUM of Estimated_Revenue vs. rating



Key Insights:

- High ratings drive revenue
- Sponsored products perform better
- Best-sellers generate highest sales
- Stock availability strongly impacts sales
- Shipping benefits influence performance

8. ADVANCED ANALYSIS

Forecasting: Products with ratings **4.0+** and **best-seller tags** are expected to generate the highest future revenue

Segmentation: Products segmented by **rating, sponsorship, coupons, and stock status** to identify high-performing groups

Root Cause Analysis: High sales driven by **ratings, best-seller tags, sponsorship, and stock availability**

Risk / Anomaly: Low-rated or out-of-stock products show **low sales and revenue risk**

Scenario Analysis: Improving ratings, sponsorship, and stock can **increase sales and revenue performance**

9. DASHBOARD DESIGN

Implementation:

Dashboard created in Google Sheets using pivot tables, formulas, charts, and slicer filters

Dashboard Objective:

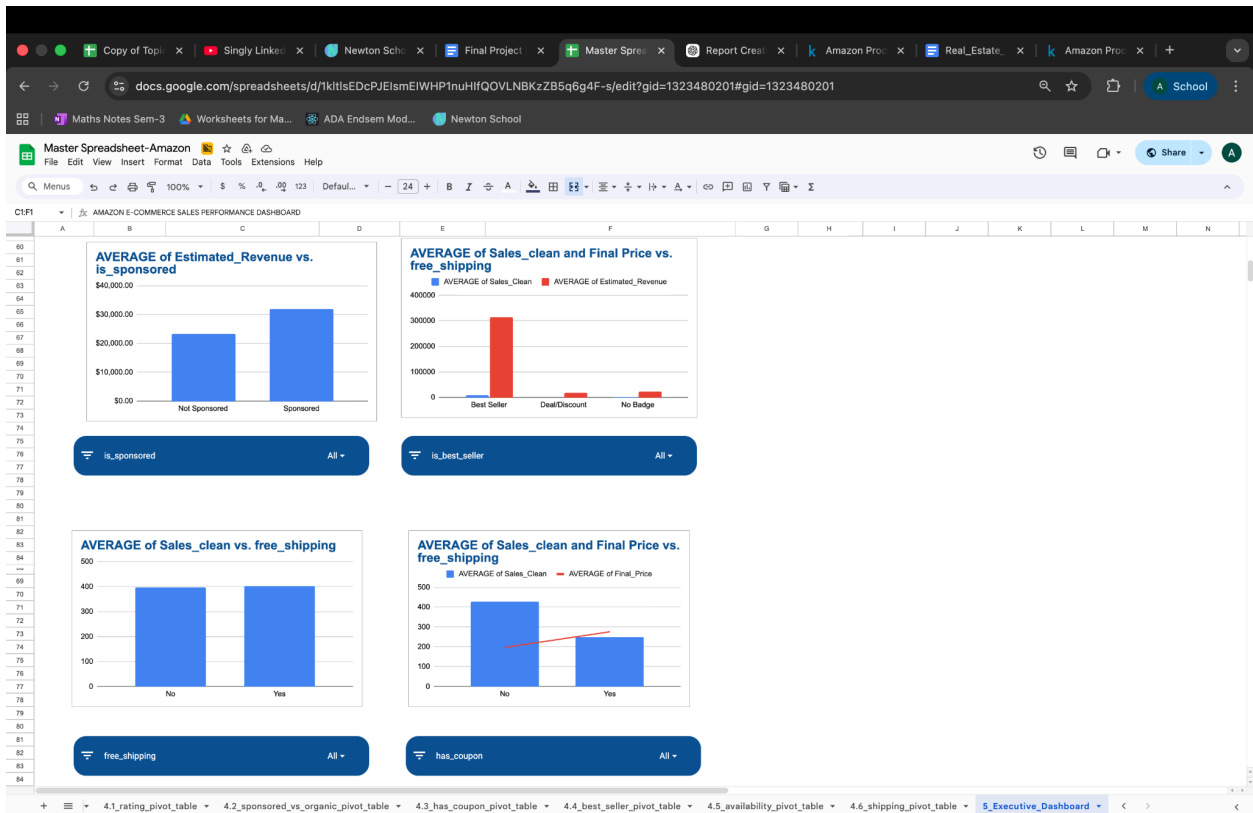
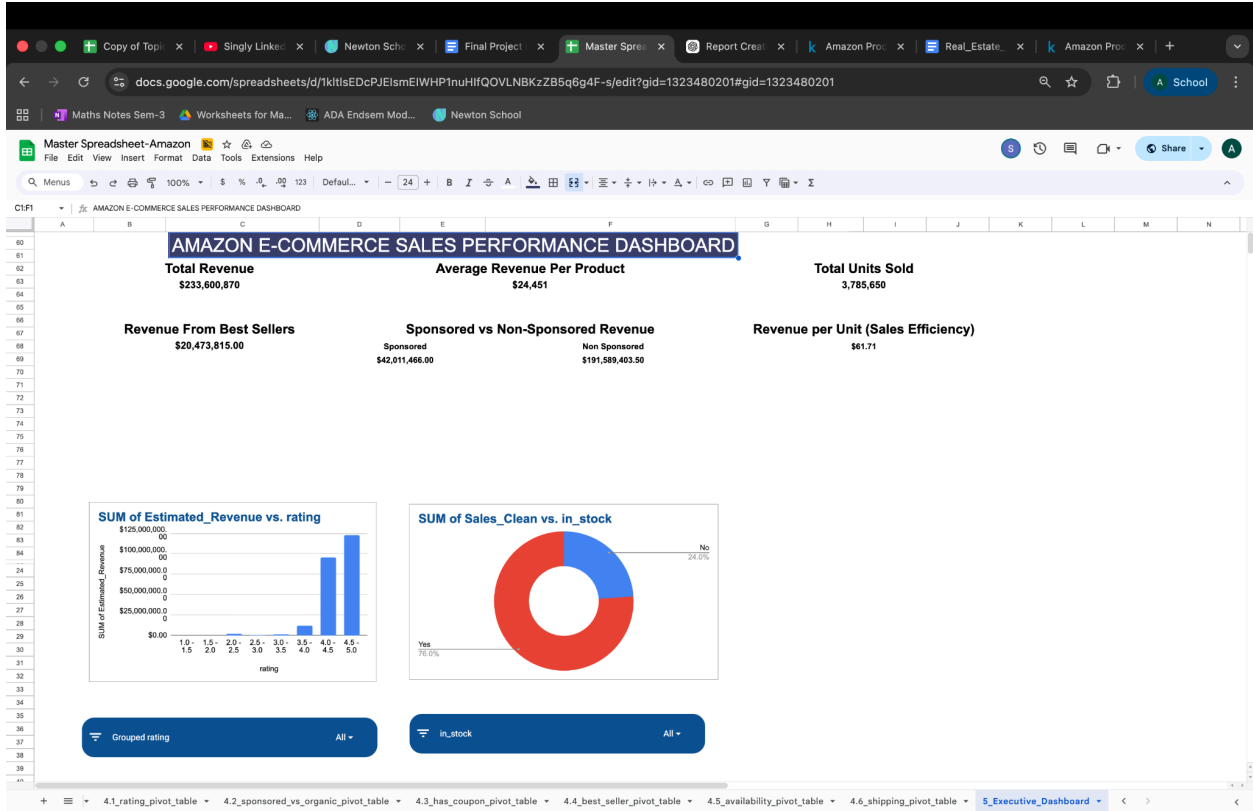
To track sales performance, revenue trends, and key drivers like ratings, sponsorship, stock, and shipping

View Structure:

- Top: KPIs (Total Revenue, Avg Revenue, Units Sold, Revenue per Unit)
- Middle: Rating vs Revenue & Stock availability charts
- Bottom: Sponsorship, Best-seller, Coupon, and Shipping comparisons

Filters & Drilldowns:

- Interactive filters for rating, sponsorship, stock, coupons, and free shipping
- Enables dynamic drill-down analysis for specific product segments



10. INSIGHTS SUMMARY

- Focus on **high-rated products (4.0–5.0)** as they generate the majority of revenue
- Increase investment in **best-seller products** to maximize sales and revenue
- Use **sponsored listings** to improve product visibility and average revenue
- Maintain **high stock availability** to avoid revenue loss from out-of-stock products
- Prioritize **products with strong reviews and ratings** to improve customer trust and conversions
- Optimize **pricing strategy** since revenue per unit indicates strong sales efficiency
- Use **free shipping strategically** to influence pricing and improve conversion rates
- Limit excessive discounting, as **non-discounted products still generate higher sales volume**
- Identify and promote **top-performing product categories** for better revenue growth
- Monitor low-performing products (low rating or no badge) and **improve or replace them**
- Use dashboard insights to **continuously track performance and adjust strategy**

11. RECOMMENDATIONS

- **Focus on high-rated products (4.0–5.0)**
 - *Insight:* High ratings generate most revenue
 - *Impact & Feasibility:* Improves conversion and sales; easy to implement through listing optimisation
- **Prioritise best-seller and high-performing products**

→ *Insight*: Best-sellers deliver highest sales and revenue
→ *Impact & Feasibility*: Quick revenue growth; feasible through inventory and promotion focus

- **Use sponsored ads for top products**

→ *Insight*: Sponsored listings have higher average revenue
→ *Impact & Feasibility*: Increases visibility and traffic; moderate advertising cost

- **Maintain strong stock availability**

→ *Insight*: In-stock products contribute majority of sales
→ *Impact & Feasibility*: Prevents revenue loss; requires inventory management

- **Improve ratings and customer reviews**

→ *Insight*: Ratings directly impact customer trust and sales
→ *Impact & Feasibility*: Drives long-term growth; achievable through quality and service improvements

12. IMPACT ESTIMATION

- **Save Cost**: Better inventory planning and reduced over-stocking can save approx. **10–15% operational cost**
- **Improve Efficiency**: Data-driven pricing and promotions can improve **conversion rates by 15–20%**
- **Improve Service**: High-rated product focus improves **customer satisfaction and repeat purchases**
- **Reduce Risk**: Monitoring low-rated or out-of-stock products can reduce **revenue loss risk by 10–15%**

13. LIMITATIONS

- **Data Issues**: Dataset is scraped and may contain missing or inconsistent values
- **Assumption Risks**: Sales and revenue values are estimated and may not reflect exact real performance
- **What Cannot Be Concluded**: Exact customer behaviour, long-term trends, and real-time demand cannot be confirmed

14. FUTURE SCOPE

- **Further Analysis:** Perform time-based forecasting, customer segmentation, and category-wise performance analysis
- **New Data Needed:** Customer demographics, purchase history, and marketing spend data for deeper insights

15. CONCLUSION

- The project successfully identified **key drivers of sales and revenue on Amazon**, including ratings, sponsorship, stock, and pricing.
- The insights and dashboard provide **actionable strategies to improve visibility, conversions, and overall business performance.**

16. APPENDIX

1. Revenue Calculation (Safe Math):

=IF(ISNUMBER(H2), D2 * H2, 0)

2. Price Waterfall (Consolidation):

=IF(E2<>"", E2, IF(F2<>"", F2, IF(G2<>"", G2, "N/A")))

(Prioritizes Current Price \rightarrow Variant Price \rightarrow Listed Price)

17. Contribution Matrix

Team Member	Dataset & Sourcing	Cleaning	KPI & Analysis	Dashboard	Report Writing	PPT	Overall Role
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