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1. Overview

This project analyzes aircraft accidents and incidents from 1948 to 2022. It is part of the initial phase of the FlatIron Data Science bootcamp, with the requirement to investigate the provided dataset. The goal is to derive three business recommendations for strategic investments in the aircraft industry. The business problem is to identify low-risk aircraft for a company looking to expand into commercial and private aviation.

2. Business Understanding

The main objective is to discern which aircraft present the lowest risk for the company's venture into aviation. This expansion requires a thorough risk assessment to make informed decisions on aircraft acquisition. The findings will be translated into actionable insights for the head of the new aviation division to guide purchase decisions. The investigation centers on assessing the risk profiles of various aircraft, with the aim of providing three informed business recommendations. These recommendations will specifically address which types of aircraft the company should consider for investment based on historical safety data. The ultimate goal is to guide the company towards aircraft options that minimize risk and potential liability, thereby supporting safe and sound investment decisions in the aviation sector.

Our primary stakeholders are the board members of the company as they are the ones to decide whether to carry out the investment or not.

3. Data Understanding

3.1 Data Description

For the project, the data source is drawn from Kaggle, which encompasses a comprehensive collection of aircraft accidents and incidents. The timeline of this dataset spans an extensive period, covering events from the year 1948 through to 2022.

The dataset has undergone a meticulous cleaning procedure to ensure the quality and relevance of the data. This process included a filter to retain only those incidents and accidents that occurred within the United States. Additionally, the data was refined by

filtering out events to include only those that resulted in fatal injuries or serious injuries, thus focusing on the most severe occurrences.

Now let's dive into the data to better understand it and arrive to the business recommendations.

3.2 SetUp

3.3 Import necessary libraries

```
In [1]:
    import pandas as pd
    import numpy as np
    import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
    %matplotlib inline
    import seaborn as sns
In [2]:
    pd.set_option('display.max_columns', 500)
```

3.4 Define global variables

```
In [3]: INPUT_PATH = "../../Data_Project_Phase1/AviationData.csv"
In [4]: !pwd
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oject/Aircraft_safety_analysis/notebooks

3.5 Functions

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In [5]:

def categorize_data(column):
    """
    Function: This function will return the string 'zero' if the value of the 'one or more' if the value of 'column' is not zero

Argument (data series): The column to evaluate

Result (string): The category label for the value
    """
    if column==0:
        return 'Zero'
    elif pd.isna(column):
        return 'Unknown'
    else:
        return 'One or More'
```

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In [6]:
         def plot_bar_graph_for_columns(columns):
             Function: This function creates a bar graph for a column.
             Argument (data series): The columns to evaluate.
             Returns: Bar plot for the column
             .....
             plt.figure()
             df[columns].value_counts().plot(kind='bar')
             plt.xlabel(columns)
             plt.ylabel('Frequency')
             plt.xticks(rotation=90)
             plt.title(f'Bar Graph of {columns}')
In [7]:
         def plot column data(df, column, kind of graph):
             ....
             Function: This function creates a value_counts and the desired graph for
             Argument (data series): The data frame, the coolumn and the kind of graph
             Returns: Value_counts of the column and the desired graph representation
             # Print the normalized value counts including NaN values
             value_counts = df[column].value_counts(normalize=True, dropna=False)
             print(value counts)
             print()
             # Plot the graph
             if kind_of_graph == 'bar':
                 plt.figure()
                 value_counts.plot(kind='bar')
             elif kind_of_graph == 'pie':
                 plt.figure()
                 value_counts.plot(kind='pie')
             elif kind_of_graph == 'line':
                 plt.figure()
                 value_counts.plot(kind='line')
             # Show the plot
             plt.title(f'Graph of {column}')
             plt.ylabel('Frequency')
             plt.xlabel(column)
             plt.xticks(rotation=90)
             plt.show();
In [8]:
         def plot feature(df: pd.DataFrame,
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             column_type: str,
             variable_target1: str,
             variable_target2: str):
Visualize a variable with faceting on two target variables.
Parameters:
   df (pd.DataFrame): The dataframe containing the data.
    column_name (str): The name of the column to be visualized.
    column_type (str): The type of the column ('continuous' or 'categoric
    variable_target1 (str): The name of the first target variable for fac
    variable_target2 (str): The name of the second target variable for fa
f, (ax1, ax2, ax3) = plt.subplots(nrows=1, ncols=3, figsize=(18,6), dpi=
# Plot without target variables
if column type == 'continuous':
    sns.distplot(df.loc[df[column name].notnull(), column name], kde=Fal
else:
    categories_to_consider = list(df[column_name].value_counts().index[::
    df = df[df[column_name].isin(categories_to_consider)]
    sns.countplot(x=df[column_name], order=sorted(categories_to_consider)
                  color='#5975A4', saturation=1, ax=ax1)
ax1.set_xlabel(column_name)
ax1.set_ylabel('Count')
ax1.set title(f"Distribution of {column name}")
ax1.tick_params(axis='x', rotation=90)
# Plot with the first target variable
if column_type == "continuous":
    sns.boxplot(x=column name, y=variable target1, data=df, ax=ax2)
else:
    data = df.groupby(column_name)[variable_target1].value_counts(normal)
    data.plot(kind='bar', stacked=True, ax=ax2)
ax2.set_ylabel(f"Proportion of {variable_target1}")
ax2.set_title(f"{column_name} by {variable_target1}")
ax2.tick_params(axis='x', rotation=90)
# Plot with the second target variable
if column_type == "continuous":
    sns.boxplot(x=column_name, y=variable_target2, data=df, ax=ax3)
else:
    data = df.groupby(column_name)[variable_target2].value_counts(normal;
    data.plot(kind='bar', stacked=True, ax=ax3)
ax3.set ylabel(f"Proportion of {variable target2}")
ax3.set_title(f"{column_name} by {variable_target2}")
ax3.tick_params(axis='x', rotation=90)
plt.tight_layout()
plt.show()
```

3.6 Code

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In [9]:
    df = pd.read_csv(INPUT_PATH, encoding="latin-1")
    df
```

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df = pd.read_csv(INPUT_PATH, encoding="latin-1")

Out[9]:	ui – p		Investigation.Type		Event Date	Locatio
	0	20001218X45444	Accident	SEA87LA080	1948-10-24	MOO CREEK,
	1	20001218X45447	Accident	LAX94LA336	1962-07-19	BRIDGEPOF
	2	20061025X01555	Accident	NYC07LA005	1974-08-30	Saltville, \
	3	20001218X45448	Accident	LAX96LA321	1977-06-19	EUREKA, (
	4	20041105X01764	Accident	CHI79FA064	1979-08-02	Canton, C
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	88884	20221227106491	Accident	ERA23LA093	2022-12-26	Annapo N
	88885	20221227106494	Accident	ERA23LA095	2022-12-26	Hamptc N
	88886	20221227106497	Accident	WPR23LA075	2022-12-26	Payson, <i>I</i>
	88887	20221227106498	Accident	WPR23LA076	2022-12-26	Morgan, I
	88888	20221230106513	Accident	ERA23LA097	2022-12-29	Athens, (
	88889 rd	ows × 31 columns				
In [10]:	print	(f"This dataset	has {df.shape[0]}	rows and {df.sha	pe[1]} colum	mns")
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    Event.Date
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    Location
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5
    Country
                           88663 non-null object
6
                           34382 non-null object
    Latitude
7
    Longitude
                           34373 non-null object
    Airport.Code
                         50132 non-null object
                         52704 non-null object
9
    Airport.Name
10 Injury.Severity
                          87889 non-null object
11 Aircraft.damage
                          85695 non-null object
12 Aircraft.Category
                           32287 non-null object
13 Registration.Number
                           87507 non-null object
14 Make
                           88826 non-null object
15 Model
                           88797 non-null object
16 Amateur.Built
                           88787 non-null object
17 Number.of.Engines
                           82805 non-null float64
18 Engine. Type
                           81793 non-null object
19 FAR.Description
                           32023 non-null object
20 Schedule
                           12582 non-null object
21 Purpose.of.flight
22 Air.carrier
                          82697 non-null object
22 Air.carrier
                           16648 non-null object
23 Total.Fatal.Injuries
                          77488 non-null float64
24 Total.Serious.Injuries 76379 non-null float64
25 Total.Minor.Injuries
                          76956 non-null float64
26 Total.Uninjured
                           82977 non-null float64
27 Weather.Condition
                          84397 non-null object
28 Broad.phase.of.flight 61724 non-null object
29
    Report.Status
                           82505 non-null object
30 Publication.Date
                           75118 non-null object
dtypes: float64(5), object(26)
memory usage: 21.0+ MB
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Now, I am going to clean the column names by making them be in lower case and using an underscore

```
In [12]:
          df.columns = df.columns.str.lower().str.replace('.', '_')
          df.columns
Out[12]: Index(['event_id', 'investigation_type', 'accident_number', 'event_date',
                 'location', 'country', 'latitude', 'longitude', 'airport_code',
                 'airport_name', 'injury_severity', 'aircraft_damage',
                 'aircraft_category', 'registration_number', 'make', 'model',
                 'amateur_built', 'number_of_engines', 'engine_type', 'far_description
                 'schedule', 'purpose_of_flight', 'air_carrier', 'total_fatal_injuries
                 'total_serious_injuries', 'total_minor_injuries', 'total_uninjured',
                 'weather_condition', 'broad_phase_of_flight', 'report_status',
                 'publication_date'],
               dtype='object')
In [13]:
          df
Out[13]:
                        event_id investigation_type accident_number event_date
                                                                                   locatic
                                                                                    MO05
              0 20001218X45444
                                          Accident
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2	20061025X01555	Accident	NYC07LA005	1974-08-30	Saltville, √
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88889 rows × 31 columns

3.6.1 Descriptive Statistics

In [14]: df.describe()

Out[14]:		number_of_engines	total_fatal_injuries	total_serious_injuries	total_minor_injuri
	count	82805.000000	77488.000000	76379.000000	76956.0000
	mean	1.146585	0.647855	0.279881	0.3570
	std	0.446510	5.485960	1.544084	2.2356
	min	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.0000
	25%	1.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.0000
	50%	1.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.0000
	75%	1.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.0000
	max	8.000000	349.000000	161.000000	380.0000

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Even though Number of Engines is continuous, it could be considered as descrete because it doesn't make much sense to talk about a mean of 1.14 of number of engines.

Other noticeable things are that there is a mean of almost 1 total fatal injury for all the accidents, and data seems to be coherent because there aren't negative values.

3.6.2 Making a primary key

```
In [15]:
          df['event_id'].value_counts()
Out[15]: event id
         20001212X19172
                           3
         20001214X45071
         20220730105623
         20051213X01965
                            2
         20001212X16765
         20001211X14216
         20001211X14239
         20001211X14207
                           1
         20001211X14204
                            1
         20221230106513
                           1
         Name: count, Length: 87951, dtype: int64
In [16]:
          df['accident number'].value counts()
Out[16]: accident_number
         CEN22LA149
         WPR23LA041
         WPR23LA045
         DCA22WA214
         DCA22WA089
         LAX92FA065
                      1
         ANC92T#A12
         MIA92LA049
                       1
         NYC92LA048
                       1
         ERA23LA097
         Name: count, Length: 88863, dtype: int64
In [17]:
          df['registration_number'].value_counts()
Out[17]: registration_number
         NONE
                   344
         UNREG
                   126
                    13
         UNK
         USAF
                     9
         N20752
                     8
         N93478
                     1
         N519UA
                     1
         N8840W
                     1
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1 N21040 N9026P Name: count, Length: 79104, dtype: int64 In [18]: df[df['accident_number']=='CEN22LA149'] Out[18]: event_id investigation_type accident_number event_date location Grapevine, CEN22LA149 2022-03-18 **87548** 20220323104818 Accident TX Grapevine, CEN22LA149 2022-03-18 **87549** 20220323104818 Accident TX In [19]: df['primary_key'] = df['accident_number'] + '_' + df['registration_number'] Out[19]: event_id investigation_type accident_number event_date locatic MO05 **0** 20001218X45444 Accident SEA87LA080 1948-10-24 CREEK, I **BRIDGEPOR** 20001218X45447 Accident LAX94LA336 1962-07-19 C 2 20061025X01555 Accident Saltville, V NYC07LA005 1974-08-30 20001218X45448 Accident LAX96LA321 1977-06-19 EUREKA, C 20041105X01764 Accident CHI79FA064 1979-08-02 Canton, O Annapol 20221227106491 Accident ERA23LA093 2022-12-26 88884 Hampto 88885 20221227106494 Accident ERA23LA095 2022-12-26 Ν **88886** 20221227106497 Accident WPR23LA075 2022-12-26 Payson, A 20221227106498 Accident WPR23LA076 2022-12-26 88887 Morgan, L 20221230106513 Accident 88888 ERA23LA097 2022-12-29 Athens, G

```
88889 rows × 32 columns
In [20]:
          df['primary_key'].value_counts()
Out[20]: primary_key
         SEA87LA080_NC6404
         SEA05CA166_N2094K
         CHI05CA172_N7446
         DEN05CA122_N2584B
         DEN05LA121_N5754S
         MIA91LA225_N2983U
                                1
         ATL91LA180_N62108
         ATL91LA181A_N26004
                                1
         ATL91LA181B_N67174
                                1
         ERA23LA097_N9026P
                                1
         Name: count, Length: 87507, dtype: int64
         We haven't found a primary key, but I have created one by combining 2 columns:
         accident_number and registration_number
         3.6.3 Duplicates study
         Checking for duplicates
In [21]:
          df.duplicated().sum()
Out[21]: 0
         3.6.4 Null-values analysis
         Checking for null values
In [22]:
          df.isnull().sum()/len(df)*100
Out[22]: event_id
                                     0.000000
         investigation_type
                                     0.000000
         accident number
                                     0.000000
         event_date
                                     0.000000
         location
                                     0.058500
         country
                                     0.254250
         latitude
                                    61.320298
         longitude
                                    61.330423
          airport_code
                                    43.601570
         airport_name
                                    40.708074
                                    1.124999
          injury_severity
         aircraft_damage
                                     3.593246
         aircraft_category
                                    63.677170
         registration_number
                                     1.554748
         make
                                     0.070875
```

```
model
                         0.103500
amateur_built
                         0.114750
number_of_engines
                         6.844491
engine_type
                         7.982990
far_description
                        63.974170
schedule
                        85.845268
purpose_of_flight
                        6.965991
air_carrier
                        81.271023
total_fatal_injuries 12.826109
total_serious_injuries 14.073732
total_minor_injuries 13.424608
total uninjured
                         6.650992
weather_condition
                         5.053494
broad_phase_of_flight 30.560587
report_status
                         7.181991
publication_date
                        15.492356
primary_key
                         1.554748
dtype: float64
```

I will proceed to create a list to drop certain columns that have too many null values and that I perceive not to be usefull for the analysis.

Latitude, Longitude, airpot_code, airport_name, and publication_date I decide to drop mainly because they are not useful for the case study. Schedule and air_carrier I decide to drop because they have more than 80% of null values

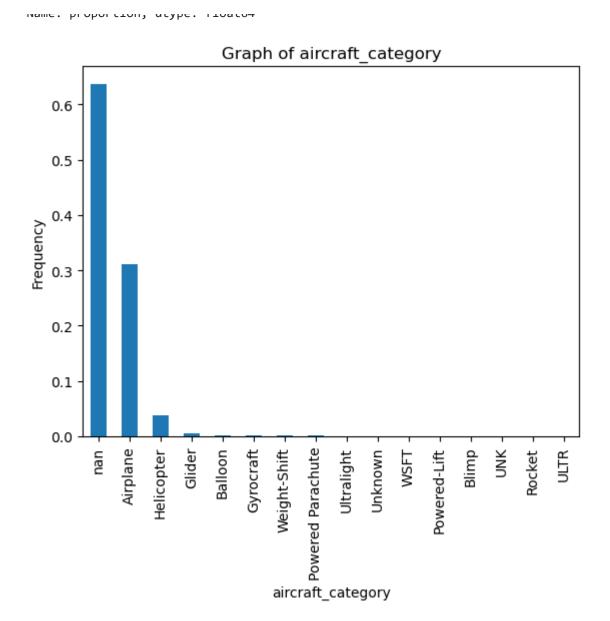
```
In [23]: drop_columns = ['latitude','longitude','airport_code','airport_name','schedul
```

Now I will study other columns that have a high percent of null values to determine whether they still can give good insights. These columns are: aircraft_category, far_description, and broad_phase_of_flight

Aircraft_category

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```
In [24]:
          plot_column_data(df, 'aircraft_category', 'bar')
       aircraft_category
       NaN
                            0.636772
       Airplane
                            0.310691
       Helicopter
                            0.038700
       Glider
                            0.005715
       Balloon
                           0.002599
       Gyrocraft
                           0.001946
       Weight-Shift
                            0.001811
       Powered Parachute 0.001024
       Ultralight
                            0.000337
       Unknown
                            0.000157
       WSFT
                           0.000101
       Powered-Lift
                          0.000056
       Blimp
                            0.000045
       UNK
                            0.000022
       Rocket
                            0.000011
       ULTR
                            0.000011
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It's observable that only the airplanes and the helicopters have considerable numbers of registrations in the aircraft category. Moreover, as can be seen most of the aircrafts are airplanes. Given that there 64% of NaN values, I will drop this column too

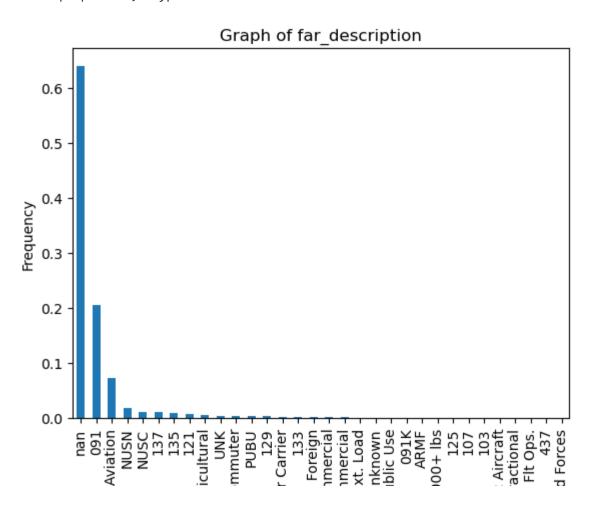
```
In [25]: drop_columns.append('aircraft_category')
```

3.6.5 Further study of the rest of the columns

Far Description column

NUCC	0.01,010
NUSC	0.011396
137	0.011362
135	0.008392
121	0.007639
Part 137: Agricultural	0.004916
UNK	0.004174
Part 135: Air Taxi & Commuter	0.003352
PUBU	0.002846
129	0.002767
Part 121: Air Carrier	0.001856
133	0.001204
Part 129: Foreign	0.001125
Non-U.S., Non-Commercial	0.001091
Non-U.S., Commercial	0.001046
Part 133: Rotorcraft Ext. Load	0.000360
Unknown	0.000247
Public Use	0.000214
091K	0.000157
ARMF	0.000090
Part 125: 20+ Pax,6000+ lbs	0.000056
125	0.000056
107	0.000045
103	0.000022
Public Aircraft	0.000022
Part 91 Subpart K: Fractional	0.000011
Part 91F: Special Flt Ops.	0.000011
437	0.000011
Armed Forces	0.000011
Name: proportion dtype: float64	0.000011

Name: proportion, dtype: float64



Part 91: General	Part 137: Agr Part 135: Air Taxi & Co	Part 121: Ail	Part 129: Non-U.S., Non-Con Non-U.S., Con Part 133: Rotorcraft E U	Part 125: 20+ Pax,6C	Public Part 91 Subpart K: Fr Part 91F: Special	Arme
		far_	_description			

I interpret that the 091 and Part 91: General Aviation are the same norm of aviation. Basing myself in these research:

https://www.risingup.com/fars/info/

Subchapter F – Air Traffic and General Operating Rules

- Part 91 GENERAL OPERATING AND FLIGHT RULES
- Part 93 SPECIAL AIR TRAFFIC RULES
- Part 95 IFR ALTITUDES

Part 125: 20+ Pax,6000+ lbs

- Part 97 STANDARD INSTRUMENT APPROACH PROCEDURES
- Part 99 SECURITY CONTROL OF AIR TRAFFIC
- Part 101 MOORED BALLOONS, KITES, UNMANNED ROCKETS AND UNMANNED FREE BALLOONS
- Part 103 ULTRALIGHT VEHICLES
- Part 105 PARACHUTE OPERATIONS

I will proceed to join both of these values and print the result

```
In [27]:
          df['far_description'] = df['far_description'].map(lambda x: 'Part 91 - General
          plot_column_data(df,'far_description', 'bar')
        far_description
                                           0.639742
        Part 91 - General Aviation
                                           0.278133
        NUSN
                                           0.017820
        NUSC
                                           0.011396
        137
                                           0.011362
        135
                                           0.008392
        121
                                           0.007639
        Part 137: Agricultural
                                           0.004916
                                           0.004174
        Part 135: Air Taxi & Commuter
                                           0.003352
        PUBU
                                           0.002846
        129
                                           0.002767
        Part 121: Air Carrier
                                           0.001856
                                           0.001204
        Part 129: Foreign
                                           0.001125
        Non-U.S., Non-Commercial
                                           0.001091
        Non-U.S., Commercial
                                           0.001046
        Part 133: Rotorcraft Ext. Load
                                           0.000360
        Unknown
                                           0.000247
        Public Use
                                           0.000214
        ARMF
                                           0.000090
        125
                                           0.000056
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0.000056

 107
 0.000045

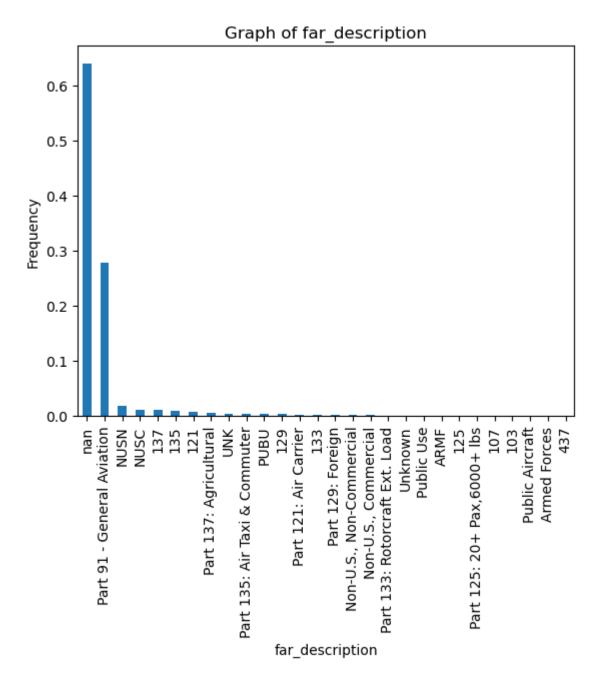
 103
 0.000022

 Public Aircraft
 0.000022

 Armed Forces
 0.000011

 437
 0.000011

Name: proportion, dtype: float64



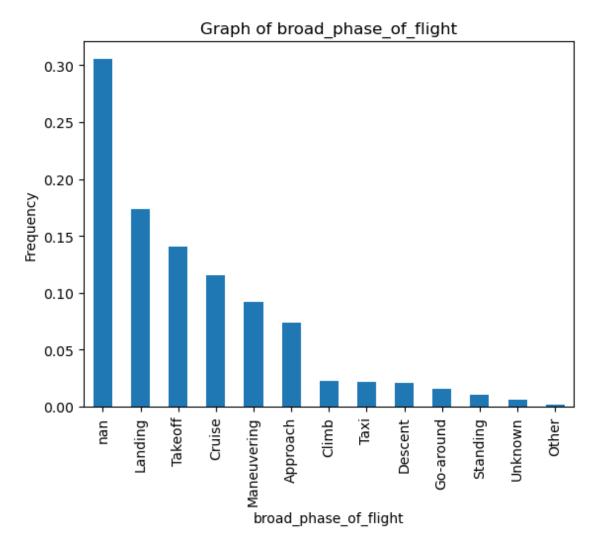
As is visible, the aircrafts under 91 regulations encompass the most part of the dataset about aviation accidents. Given that the far description has 64% of null values, I will add this column to the drop list

```
In [28]: drop_columns.append('far_description')

Broad Phase of Flight
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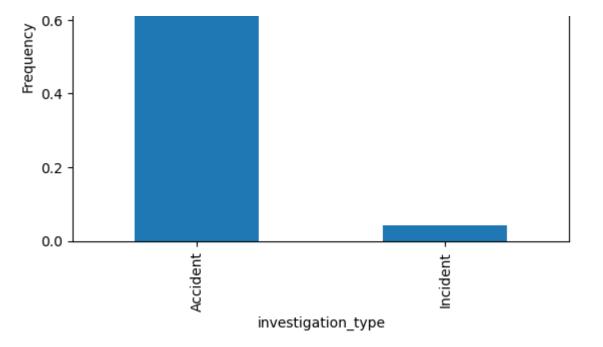
```
In [29]:
          plot_column_data(df,'broad_phase_of_flight', 'bar')
        broad_phase_of_flight
                        0.305606
        NaN
        Landing
                       0.173565
        Takeoff
                       0.140546
        Cruise
                       0.115526
        Maneuvering
                       0.091620
                       0.073642
        Approach
        Climb
                       0.022882
        Taxi
                       0.022027
                       0.021229
        Descent
        Go-around
                       0.015221
        Standing
                       0.010631
        Unknown
                       0.006165
        0ther
                       0.001339
        Name: proportion, dtype: float64
```



The most important causes of accidents happened either during: landing, takeoff, cruise, maneuvering or approach. I consider 30% of null values to not be too excesive and believe that the 5 phases mentioned before could be of use. I will not drop these columns

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דוו [אכ]:
          df['broad_phase_of_flight'].fillna('Unknown', inplace=True)
         The study of the columns in question have been done and I will now proceed to drop
         said columns. I will also append to the drop columns the previous id columns that are
         now unnecessary with the new primary_key column
In [31]:
          drop_columns = drop_columns + ['accident_number', 'registration_number', 'eve
          df = df.drop(drop_columns, axis=1)
In [32]:
          df.isnull().sum()/len(df)*100
Out[32]: investigation_type
                                     0.000000
         event_date
                                     0.000000
         location
                                     0.058500
         country
                                     0.254250
         injury_severity
                                     1.124999
         aircraft_damage
                                     3.593246
         make
                                     0.070875
         model
                                     0.103500
         amateur_built
                                     0.114750
         number_of_engines
                                     6.844491
         engine_type
                                     7.982990
         purpose_of_flight
                                    6.965991
         total_fatal_injuries 12.826109
         total_serious_injuries 14.073732
         total_minor_injuries
                                    13.424608
         total_uninjured
                                     6.650992
         weather_condition
                                     5.053494
         broad_phase_of_flight
                                     0.000000
         report_status
                                     7.181991
         primary_key
                                     1.554748
         dtype: float64
         Investigation type
In [33]:
          plot_column_data(df,'investigation_type', 'bar')
        investigation_type
        Accident
                   0.956418
        Incident
                    0.043582
        Name: proportion, dtype: float64
                                   Graph of investigation_type
           1.0
           0.8
```



After doing some reasearch, we have noticed that an accident is a unintentional event that results in harm whereas an incident although it might be unintentional doesn't necessarily result in harm

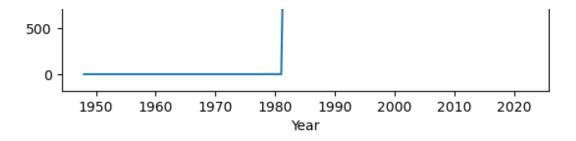
Moreover, we can see that all of the registrations in the dataset are all accidents (in 96% of it's totality)

Event Date

```
In [34]:
          df['event_date'].min()
Out[34]:
          '1948-10-24'
In [35]:
          df['event_date'].max()
Out[35]:
          '2022-12-29'
In [36]:
          df['event_date'].value_counts(normalize=True, dropna=False)
Out[36]: event_date
         1984-06-30
                       0.000281
         1982-05-16
                       0.000281
         2000-07-08
                     0.000281
         1983-08-05
                       0.000270
         1984-08-25
                        0.000270
         2014-03-16
                       0.000011
         2014-03-15
                     0.000011
         2014-03-12
                       0.000011
                        0.000011
         2014-03-10
         2022-12-29
                        0.000011
         Name: proportion, Length: 14782, dtype: float64
```

```
In [37]:
           df['event_date'].isna().any()
Out[37]: False
          We have realized that we have accidents or incidents from 1948 to 2022
In [38]:
           df['event_date'] = df['event_date'].astype('object')
          I would like to investigate the number of accidents per year and month
In [39]:
           df['year'] = df['event_date'].map(lambda x:int(x[:4]))
          df['year']
Out[39]: 0
                   1948
                   1962
                   1974
                   1977
                   1979
          88884
                   2022
          88885
                   2022
                   2022
          88886
          88887
                   2022
          88888
                   2022
          Name: year, Length: 88889, dtype: int64
In [40]:
           df.groupby('year')['investigation_type'].count().plot(kind='line')
           plt.title('Number of accidents and incidents per year')
           plt.xlabel('Year')
           plt.ylabel('Accidents and incidents')
           plt.show()
                           Number of accidents and incidents per year
            3500
            3000
        Accidents and incidents
            2500
            2000
            1500
           1000
```

Out[41]:



In [41]:	df[df['year']<1982]	
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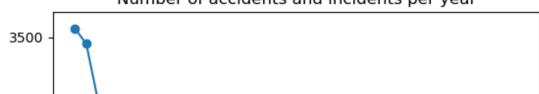
:	investigation_type	event_date	location	country	injury_severity	aircraft_dan
() Accident	1948-10-24	MOOSE CREEK, ID	United States	Fatal(2)	Destro
1	l Accident	1962-07-19	BRIDGEPORT, CA	United States	Fatal(4)	Destro
2	2 Accident	1974-08-30	Saltville, VA	United States	Fatal(3)	Destro
3	3 Accident	1977-06-19	EUREKA, CA	United States	Fatal(2)	Destro
4	Accident	1979-08-02	Canton, OH	United States	Fatal(1)	Destro
5	5 Accident	1979-09-17	BOSTON, MA	United States	Non-Fatal	Substa
6	6 Accident	1981-08-01	COTTON, MN	United States	Fatal(4)	Destro

As can be seen there is only 7 rows of data before 1983. I will proceed to eliminate these rows

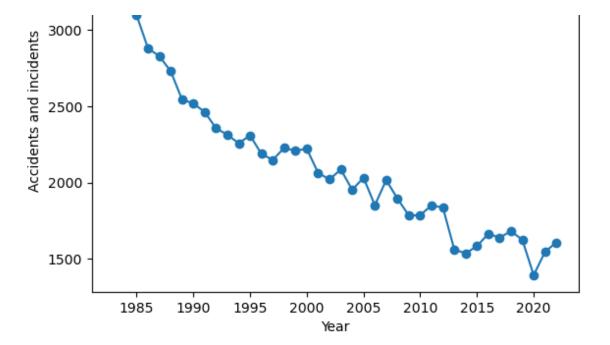
```
In [42]:
    df = df[df['year']>1982]

In [43]:
    df.groupby('year')['investigation_type'].count().plot(kind='line', marker='o
        plt.title('Number of accidents and incidents per year')
        plt.xlabel('Year')
        plt.ylabel('Accidents and incidents')
        plt.show()
```

Number of accidents and incidents per year



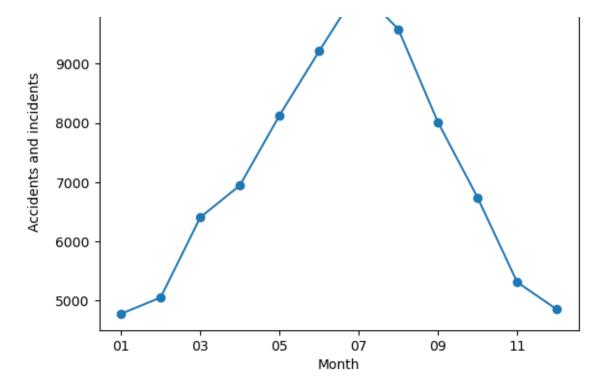
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In the passing of time, it is visible that the number of accidents have reduced gradually. In 2020, there is a noticeable drop in the number of accidents, possible due to the Covid-19 restrictions period

I will now study the number of accidents per month

```
In [44]:
          df['month'] = df['event_date'].map(lambda x:x[5:7])
          df['month']
Out[44]:
         3600
                   01
          3601
                   01
          3602
                   01
          3603
                   01
          3604
                   01
         88884
                   12
         88885
                   12
          88886
                   12
         88887
                   12
         88888
                   12
         Name: month, Length: 85289, dtype: object
In [45]:
          df.groupby('month')['investigation_type'].count().plot(kind='line', marker='(
          plt.title('Number of accidents and incidents per month')
          plt.xlabel('Month')
          plt.ylabel('Accidents and incidents')
          plt.show()
                          Number of accidents and incidents per month
```



The information shows that there are more accidents and incidents during the summer period which is normal as there tends to be more flights during that period as can be seen in the following studies:

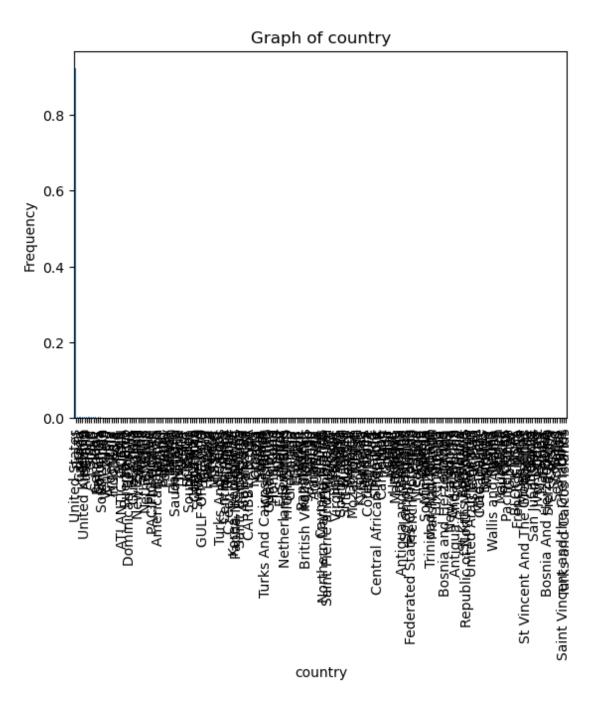
There's also typically an increase of passengers escaping cold weather in northern cities for warm weather locales in late winter and early spring. Air travel also increases during the summer months, generally from around Memorial Day through Labor Day. Feb 28, 2017



Ask Air Traffic Control: Busiest times of year to fly - USA Today

Country

```
In [46]:
          plot_column_data(df,'country', 'bar')
        country
        United States
                                              0.922475
        Brazil
                                              0.004385
        Canada
                                              0.004209
        Mexico
                                              0.004197
        United Kingdom
                                              0.004033
        Seychelles
                                              0.000012
        Palau
                                              0.000012
                                              0.000012
        Libya
        Saint Vincent and the Grenadines
                                              0.000012
        Turks and Caicos Islands
                                              0.000012
        Name: proportion, Length: 220, dtype: float64
```



The majority of the events occur in USA. I will delete the rows where the country is not USA

```
In [47]: df = df[df['country']=='United States']
```

Injury severity

```
In [48]: df['injury_severity'].value_counts(normalize=True, dropna=False)
```

Out[48]: injury_severity
Non-Fatal 0.788896
Fatal(1) 0.070656
Fatal 0 045197

U.U-J-,

```
Fatal(2)
                         0.041334
         Incident
                         0.022294
         Fatal(3)
                         0.012024
         Fatal(4)
                         0.008262
         Minor
                         0.002580
         Fatal(5)
                         0.002110
         Serious
                         0.001945
         NaN
                         0.001373
         Fatal(6)
                         0.001335
         Fatal(7)
                         0.000432
         Fatal(8)
                         0.000280
         Fatal(10)
                         0.000216
         Unavailable
                         0.000191
         Fatal(9)
                         0.000102
         Fatal(14)
                         0.000064
         Fatal(11)
                         0.000064
         Fatal(12)
                         0.000051
         Fatal(17)
                         0.000038
         Fatal(13)
                         0.000038
         Fatal(18)
                         0.000038
         Fatal(25)
                         0.000038
         Fatal(82)
                         0.000025
                         0.000025
         Fatal(23)
         Fatal(20)
                         0.000025
         Fatal(34)
                         0.000025
         Fatal(31)
                         0.000013
         Fatal(65)
                         0.000013
         Fatal(19)
                         0.000013
         Fatal(44)
                         0.000013
         Fatal(64)
                         0.000013
         Fatal(21)
                         0.000013
         Fatal(92)
                         0.000013
         Fatal(265)
                         0.000013
         Fatal(228)
                         0.000013
         Fatal(49)
                         0.000013
         Fatal(70)
                         0.000013
         Fatal(88)
                         0.000013
         Fatal(15)
                         0.000013
         Fatal(29)
                         0.000013
         Fatal(230)
                         0.000013
         Fatal(110)
                         0.000013
         Fatal(68)
                         0.000013
         Fatal(132)
                         0.000013
         Fatal(37)
                         0.000013
         Fatal(16)
                         0.000013
         Fatal(135)
                         0.000013
         Fatal(73)
                         0.000013
         Fatal(111)
                         0.000013
         Fatal(43)
                         0.000013
         Fatal(28)
                         0.000013
         Fatal(156)
                         0.000013
                         0.000013
         Fatal(27)
         Name: proportion, dtype: float64
In [49]:
          df['injury_severity'] = df['injury_severity'].astype('category')
```

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I am going to group all the Fatal injuries. First I'll change the type of the column to

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```
categorical
In [50]:
           df['injury_severity'] = df['injury_severity'].map(lambda x: 'Fatal' if isins'
In [51]:
           plot_column_data(df,'injury_severity', 'bar')
        injury_severity
        Fatal
                         0.971618
        Incident
                        0.022294
        Minor
                        0.002580
        Serious
                        0.001945
                        0.001373
        NaN
        Unavailable
                        0.000191
        Name: proportion, dtype: float64
                                       Graph of injury severity
            1.0
            0.8
            0.6
         Frequency
            0.4
            0.2
            0.0
                                                            Serious
                                   Incident
                                                                                     Unavailable
                                               injury_severity
          'total_fatal_injuries', 'total_serious_injuries', 'total_minor_injuries',
          'total_uninjured' looking at their frequencies
In [52]:
           columns_of_injuries = ['total_fatal_injuries', 'total_serious_injuries', 'tot
           for columns in columns_of_injuries:
               # First, I am going to call categorize_data function to categorize the ve
```

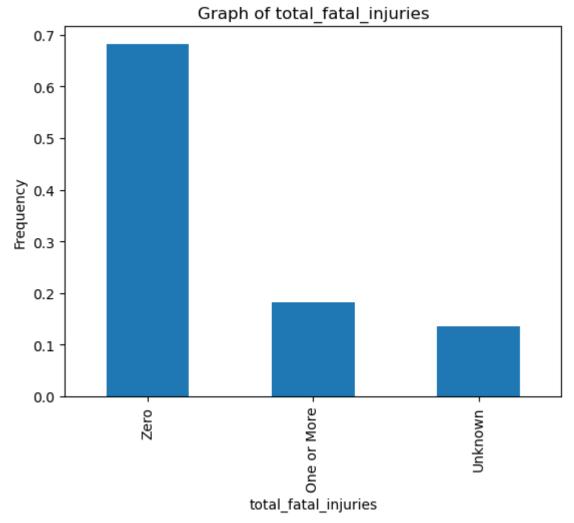
```
d+[columns] = d+[columns].map(categorize_data)

# Second, I will represent the results of all the columns in bar graphs of plot_column_data(df,columns, 'bar')

total_fatal_injuries
```

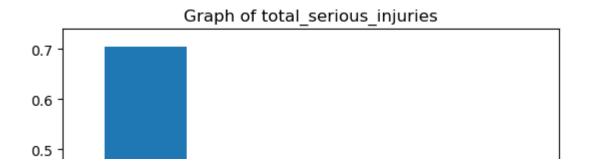
Zero 0.682220 One or More 0.182684 Unknown 0.135097

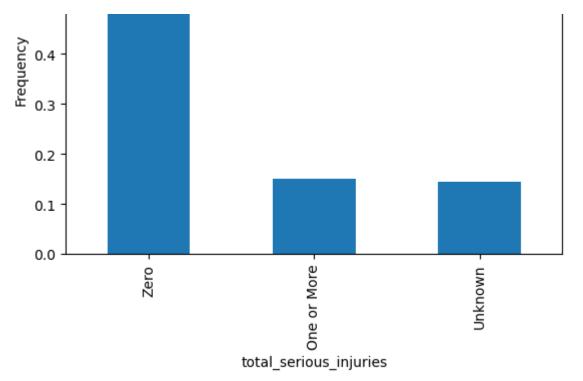
Name: proportion, dtype: float64



total_serious_injuries
Zero 0.705009
One or More 0.150781
Unknown 0.144210

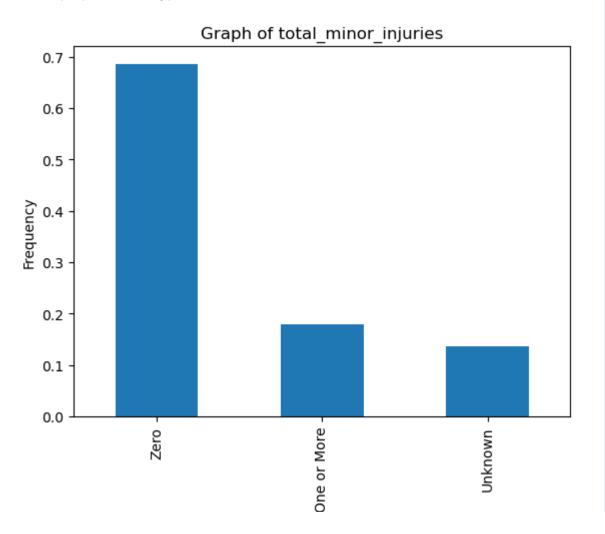
Name: proportion, dtype: float64





total_minor_injuries
Zero 0.685639
One or More 0.178349
Unknown 0.136012

Name: proportion, dtype: float64

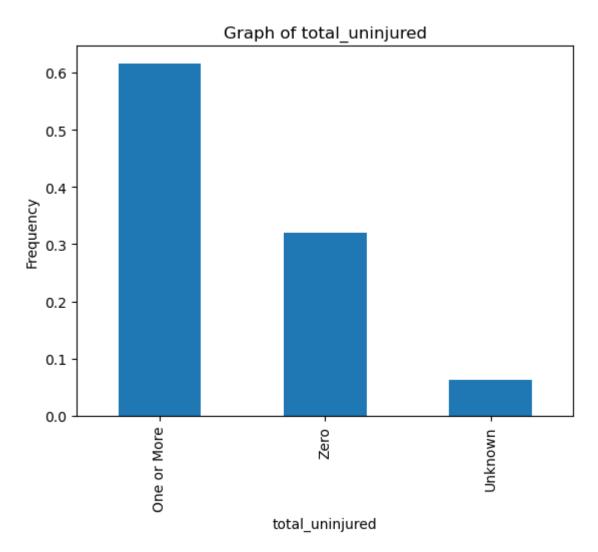


total_minor_injuries

total_uninjured

One or More 0.615707 Zero 0.320793 Unknown 0.063500

Name: proportion, dtype: float64



The graphs above give a view of the injuries. In particular, in the value counts one can see that around 30% of the accidents in the dataset have had injuries

I will eliminate the rows where injury_severity has 'Fatal' but don't have a number in the corresponding value of total_fatal_injuries

```
In [53]: df = df[~((df['injury_severity']=='Fatal') & (df['total_fatal_injuries']=='Ze
```

I will eliminate the rows where injury_severity has 'Non-Fatal' but have a number in the corresponding value of total_fatal_injuries

```
In [54]: df = df[~((df['injury_severity']=='Non-Fatal') & (df['total_fatal_injuries']
```

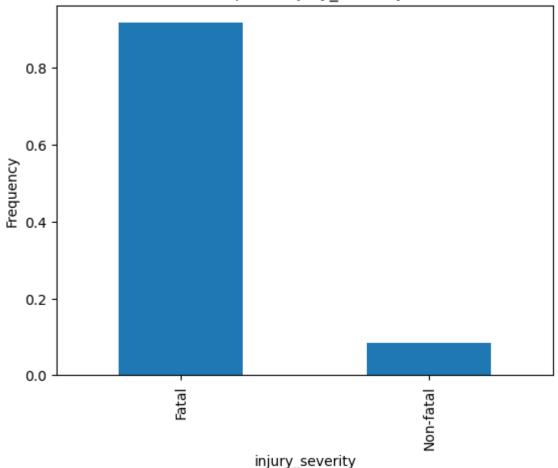
Given that it is of my interest to study the fatal injuries above all, I will categorize injury_severity to either fatal or non-fatal.

```
In [55]:
    df['injury_severity'] = df['injury_severity'].map(lambda x: 'Non-fatal' if x
        plot_column_data(df,'injury_severity', 'bar')

injury_severity
Fatal     0.916747
Non-fatal     0.083253
Name: proportion, dtype: float64

<>:1: SyntaxWarning: "is not" with 'str' literal. Did you mean "!="?
    <>:1: SyntaxWarning: "is not" with 'str' literal. Did you mean "!="?
    C:\Users\Usuario\AppData\Local\Temp\ipykernel_17664\588282316.py:1: SyntaxWarning: "is not" with 'str' literal. Did you mean "!="?
    df['injury_severity'] = df['injury_severity'].map(lambda x: 'Non-fatal' if x is not 'Fatal' else x)
```

Graph of injury severity



I decide to select the registrations of total fatal injuries and of total serious injuries that are 'One or More' and study those from now onwards. We don't consider minor injuries because they might be negligible

```
In [56]:
    df = df[(df['total_fatal_injuries']=='One or More') | (df['total_serious_injuries']
```

Out[57]:

```
In [57]:
    df = df.reset_index(drop=True)
    df
```

	investigation_type	event_date	location	country	injury_severity	aircraft_
0	Accident	1983-01-02	GENOA CITY, WI	United States	Fatal	С
1	Accident	1983-01-02	BEAUFORT, SC	United States	Fatal	С
2	Accident	1983-01-02	HANCOCK, MD	United States	Fatal	Sı
3	Accident	1983-01-03	WILLARD, WA	United States	Fatal	С
4	Accident	1983-01-03	AVALON, CA	United States	Fatal	С
•••						
16048	Accident	2022-12-17	Cottonwood, CA	United States	Non-fatal	
16049	Accident	2022-12-21	Auburn Hills, MI	United States	Non-fatal	
16050	Accident	2022-12-21	Reserve, LA	United States	Non-fatal	
16051	Accident	2022-12-26	Annapolis, MD	United States	Non-fatal	
16052	Accident	2022-12-29	Athens, GA	United States	Non-fatal	

16053 rows × 22 columns

Aircraft Damage

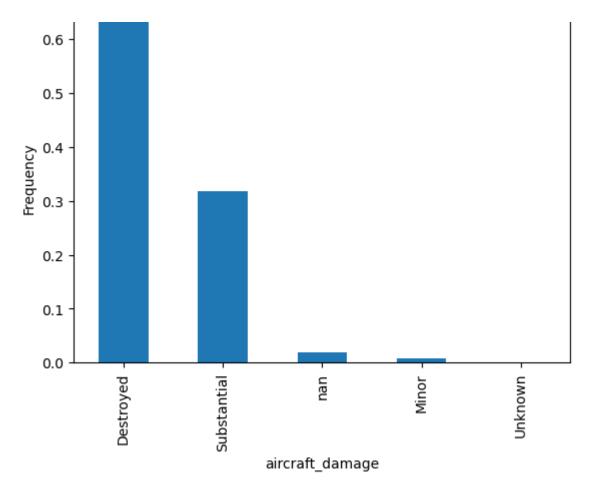
```
In [58]: plot_column_data(df,'aircraft_damage', 'bar')
```

aircraft_damage

Destroyed 0.652900 Substantial 0.317635 NaN 0.019934 Minor 0.008846 Unknown 0.000685

Name: proportion, dtype: float64

Graph of aircraft_damage



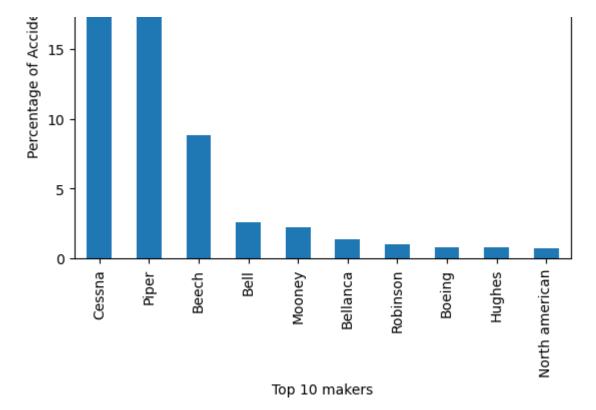
```
In [59]: df['aircraft_damage'].fillna('Unknown', inplace=True)
```

As we can see the majority of the damages are substantial and destroyed. I will proceed with further investigations

Make

```
In [60]:
          df['make'].value_counts(normalize=True, dropna=False)
Out[60]: make
          Cessna
                                    0.211985
          Piper
                                    0.148695
          Beech
                                    0.073133
          CESSNA
                                    0.040304
          PIPER
                                    0.027970
          Bensen Aircraft Corp.
                                    0.000062
          Boykin B J
                                    0.000062
         Motley Vans
                                    0.000062
         Madsen
                                    0.000062
          ROYSE RALPH L
                                    0.000062
         Name: proportion, Length: 2846, dtype: float64
In [61]:
          df['make'].isna().sum()
```

```
Out[61]: 3
In [62]:
          # Replace null values with 'Unknown'
          df['make'].fillna('Unknown', inplace=True)
         I will change the values of the make column to lower case letters and ensure they're
         all grouped correctly
In [63]:
          df['make'] = df['make'].str.capitalize()
         I am going to joint Douglas with Mcdonnell douglas because they're the same aircraft
         company
In [64]:
          df['make'] = df['make'].map(lambda x: 'Douglas' if x in ['Mcdonnell douglas'
         I will proceed to create a list of the top 10 makers with accidents
In [65]:
          top_10_make = df['make'].value_counts(normalize=True, dropna=False).head(10)
          top_10_make
Out[65]: make
                            25.228929
         Cessna
         Piper
                            17.666480
         Beech
                             8.851928
         Bell
                             2.578957
         Mooney
                             2.230113
         Bellanca
                             1.345543
         Robinson
                            1.002928
         Boeing
                             0.822276
         Hughes
                             0.797359
         North american
                           0.735065
         Name: proportion, dtype: float64
In [66]:
          plt.figure()
          top_10_make.plot(kind='bar')
          plt.xlabel('Top 10 makers')
          plt.ylabel('Percentage of Accidents')
          plt.xticks(rotation=90)
          plt.title('Top 10 Markers per Percentage of Accidents')
Out[66]: Text(0.5, 1.0, 'Top 10 Markers per Percentage of Accidents')
                         Top 10 Markers per Percentage of Accidents
           25
            20
```



The above makers are the ones with the highest number of accidents. It's noticeable that Cessna, Piper and Beech are the highest of all

Model

Amateur Built

Tn [69].

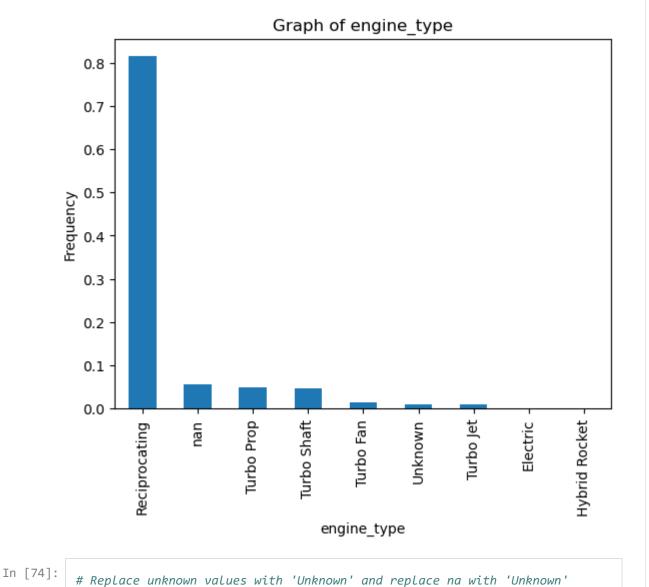
```
In [67]:
           df['model'].value_counts(normalize=True, dropna=False)
Out[67]: model
          152
                        0.014764
          172N
                        0.011774
          PA-28-140
                        0.011026
          A36
                        0.009095
          172
                        0.008908
                          . . .
          LJ-60
                        0.000062
          172 F
                        0.000062
          DN-1
                        0.000062
          L-39CT
                        0.000062
          EC 130 T2
                        0.000062
          Name: proportion, Length: 4448, dtype: float64
In [68]:
           df['model'].isna().sum()
Out[68]: 7
          I don't believe to be able to extract much information from the model column
```

```
df['amateur_built'].value_counts(normalize=True, dropna=False)
Out[69]: amateur_built
         No
                0.846633
         Yes
                0.152869
         NaN
                0.000498
         Name: proportion, dtype: float64
         As can be seen most of the accident cases were commercial trips
         Number of engines
In [70]:
          df['number_of_engines'].value_counts(normalize=True, dropna=False)
Out[70]: number_of_engines
         1.0
                0.798854
         2.0
                0.160780
         NaN
                0.022488
         0.0
                0.013269
         4.0
                0.002990
         3.0
                0.001620
         Name: proportion, dtype: float64
In [71]:
          # I will proceed to replace the null values with the mode
          df['number_of_engines'].fillna(df['number_of_engines'].mode()[0], inplace=Tru
In [72]:
          plot_bar_graph_for_columns('number_of_engines')
                                  Bar Graph of number of engines
           12000
           10000
            8000
            6000
            4000
            2000
                0
                                           number of engines
```

As is clearly visible, the majority of the accidents (in an 80% of the cases) happened with aircrafts that only had one engine

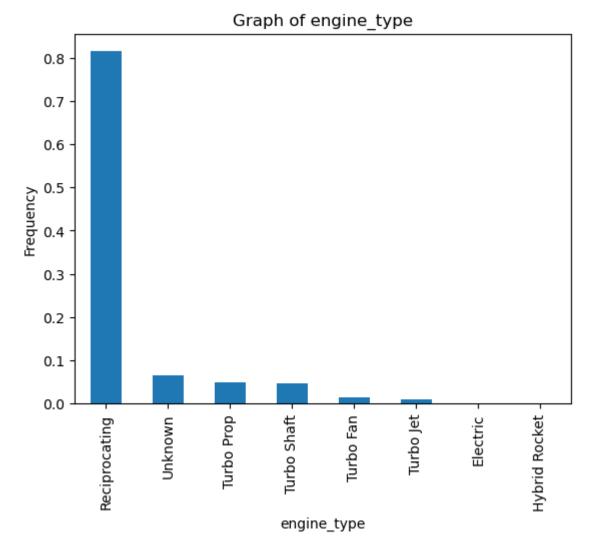
Engine type

```
In [73]:
          plot_column_data(df,'engine_type', 'bar')
        engine_type
        Reciprocating
                          0.814365
                          0.056687
        NaN
        Turbo Prop
                          0.048278
        Turbo Shaft
                          0.046596
        Turbo Fan
                          0.015511
        Unknown
                          0.009282
        Turbo Jet
                          0.009095
        Electric
                          0.000125
        Hybrid Rocket
                          0.000062
        Name: proportion, dtype: float64
```



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```
df['engine_type'] = df['engine_type'].replace('UNK', 'Unknown')
          df['engine_type'].fillna('Unknown', inplace=True)
In [75]:
          plot_column_data(df,'engine_type', 'bar')
        engine_type
       Reciprocating
                         0.814365
       Unknown
                         0.065969
       Turbo Prop
                         0.048278
                         0.046596
       Turbo Shaft
       Turbo Fan
                         0.015511
       Turbo Jet
                         0.009095
       Electric
                         0.000125
       Hybrid Rocket
                         0.000062
       Name: proportion, dtype: float64
```

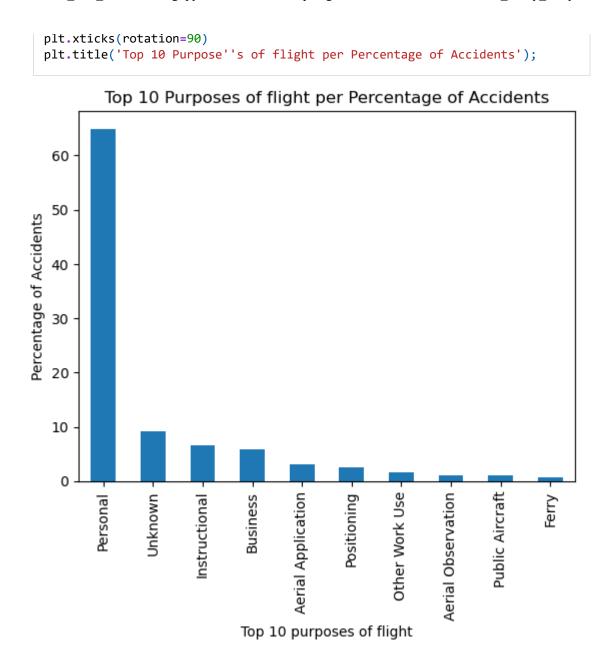


An overwhealming majority of the accidents (ie in 81% of the cases) the engine type of the aircraft was reciprocating

Purpose of Flight

```
In [76]: df['purpose of flight'].value counts(normalize=True, dropna=False)
```

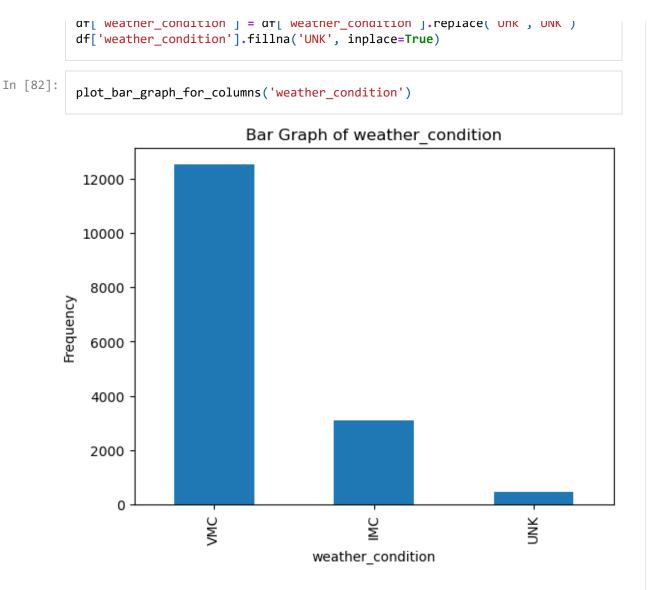
```
Out[76]: purpose_of_flight
         Personal
                                       0.649100
         Instructional
                                       0.066343
         Unknown
                                       0.063041
         Business
                                       0.058556
         Aerial Application
                                       0.031770
         NaN
                                       0.029029
         Positioning
                                       0.025042
         Other Work Use
                                       0.017068
         Aerial Observation
                                       0.011462
         Public Aircraft
                                       0.010901
         Ferry
                                       0.007787
         Executive/corporate
                                       0.007413
         Flight Test
                                       0.006292
         Skydiving
                                       0.003800
         Air Race/show
                                       0.002741
         External Load
                                       0.001931
         Air Race show
                                       0.001557
         Banner Tow
                                       0.001308
         Public Aircraft - Federal
                                       0.001308
         Glider Tow
                                       0.000997
         Public Aircraft - State
                                       0.000872
         Public Aircraft - Local
                                       0.000685
         Firefighting
                                       0.000623
         ASHO
                                       0.000311
         Air Drop
                                       0.000062
         Name: proportion, dtype: float64
In [77]:
          # Let's fill null values with unknown
          df['purpose_of_flight'].fillna('Unknown', inplace=True)
         I am going to look at the top 10 of the instances
In [78]:
          top_10_purpose_of_flight = df['purpose_of_flight'].value_counts(normalize=Tru
          top_10_purpose_of_flight
Out[78]: purpose of flight
         Personal
                                64.909986
         Unknown
                                 9.207002
         Instructional
                                 6.634274
         Business
                                 5.855603
                             3.176976
         Aerial Application
         Positioning
                                 2.504205
         Other Work Use
                                 1.706846
         Aerial Observation
                                 1.146203
         Public Aircraft
                                 1.090139
                                 0.778671
         Name: proportion, dtype: float64
In [79]:
          plt.figure()
          top_10_purpose_of_flight.plot(kind='bar')
          plt.xlabel('Top 10 purpose''s of flight')
          plt.ylabel('Percentage of Accidents')
```



The majority of the accidents happened under personal reasons apparently. This doesn't give much insight to our study

Weather condition

```
In [80]:
          df['weather_condition'].value_counts(normalize=True, dropna=False)
Out[80]: weather_condition
         VMC
                0.779044
                 0.192550
         IMC
         UNK
                0.017006
         NaN
                0.008534
         Unk
                 0.002866
         Name: proportion, dtype: float64
In [81]:
          # Let's replace Unk to UNK and all the null values let's call them: UNK (this
```



The dataset contains in its majority VMC weather conditions (ie more than 91% of the data) which says that the flight conditions are good enough for pilots to fly using only visual cues. There is a remaining 7% of flights that were IMC and that are weather conditions that are so poor that pilots cannot safely fly using only visual cues.

Report Status

```
In [83]: df['report_status'].value_counts(normalize=True, dropna=False)

Out[83]: report_status
    Probable Cause
    0.764219
    NaN
    0.051019
    Factual
    0.000934
    An in-flight loss of control for undetermined reasons.
    0.000249
    A loss of control for undetermined reasons.
    0.000249
```

. . .

The pilot's inadvertent pulling of the mixture control lever on takeoff, which shut down the engine.

0.000062

The pilot's loss of airplane control during cruise flight.

0.000062

The pilot's intentional low-altitude maneuvering and failure to maintain clearance from terrain due to distraction.\r

0.000062

The pilot did not maintain adequate airspeed while maneuvering at low altitud e, which resulted in an aerodynamic stall.

0.000062

The pilot's failure to secure the magneto switch before attempting to hand ro tate the engine which resulted in an inadvertent engine start, a runaway airp lane, and subsequent impact with parked airplanes. Contributing to the accide nt was the failure to properly secure the airplane with chocks. 0.000062 Name: proportion, Length: 2916, dtype: float64

```
In [84]: # df['report_status'].unique()
In [85]: (df['report_status'].isnull().sum()/len(df['report_status']))*100
```

Out[85]: 5.101850121472622

I'm going to create a new category that groups pilot's faults

```
In [86]: df['report_status'] = df['report_status'].map(lambda x: 'pilot failure' if is
In [87]: # df['report_status'].unique()
```

I'm going to create a new category that groups collisions

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In [88]: df['report_status'] = df['report_status'].map(lambda x: 'Collision' if isinst
In [89]: df['report_status'].nunique()
Out[89]: 418
```

There are still 4358 unique cases in the report_status column and the majority of the explanations are not very clear

3.7 Results

As a whole these are the 3 Business recommendations:

1. First business recommendation: Invest in multi-engine aircraft for enhanced safety and reliability.

- 2. Second business recommendation: Prioritize investment in aircraft with Turbo Shaft, Turbo Prop, or Turbo Jet engines for better performance and efficiency.
- 3. Third business recommendation: Focus investments on aircraft makers with lower historical injury rates, such as: Beech, Bell, and Boeing.

Here is an in-depth description of the recommendations:

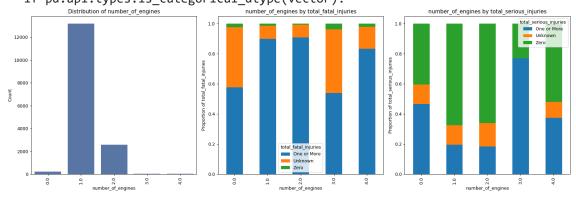
First business recommendation: Invest in aircrafts with more than one engine. The dataset shows that 82% of the accidents happened with aircrafts that had only 1 engine.

This implies that aircraft with more than one engine may have a better safety record and could represent a safer investment.

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In [90]: plot_feature(df, 'number_of_engines', 'bar', 'total_fatal_injuries', 'total_s
```

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```
In [91]: plot_column_data(df,'number_of_engines', 'bar')
```

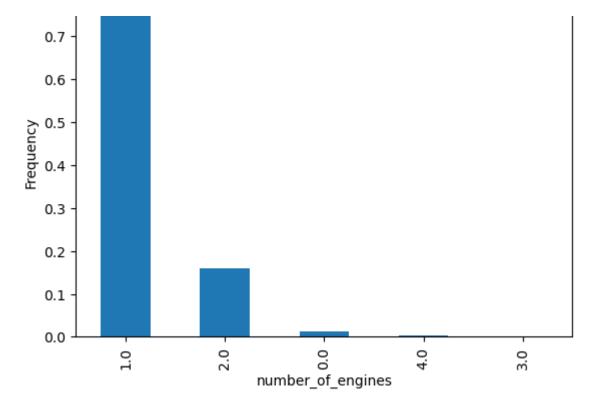
```
number_of_engines
```

- 1.0 0.821342
- 2.0 0.160780
- 0.0 0.013269
- 4.0 0.002990
- 3.0 0.001620

Name: proportion, dtype: float64

Graph of number of engines

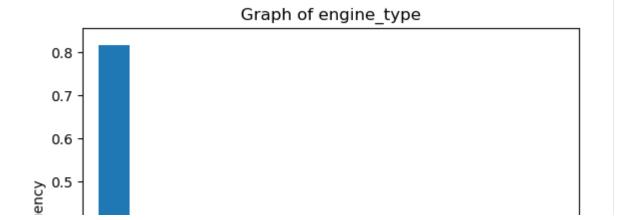


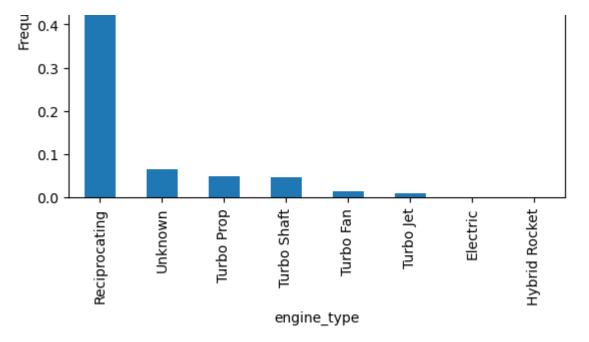


Second business recommendation: Do not invest in aircrafts with a reciprocating engine type. The dataset shows that 81.4% of the accidents happened with aircrafts that had this type of engine.

Investing in aircraft with alternative engine types might reduce risk exposure.

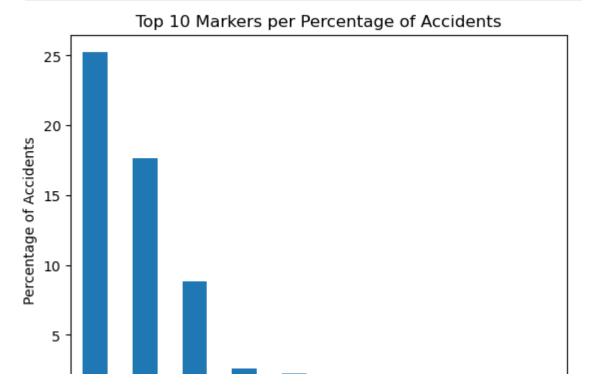
```
In [92]:
          plot_column_data(df,'engine_type', 'bar')
        engine_type
        Reciprocating
                         0.814365
        Unknown
                         0.065969
        Turbo Prop
                         0.048278
        Turbo Shaft
                         0.046596
        Turbo Fan
                         0.015511
        Turbo Jet
                         0.009095
        Electric
                         0.000125
        Hybrid Rocket
                         0.000062
        Name: proportion, dtype: float64
```

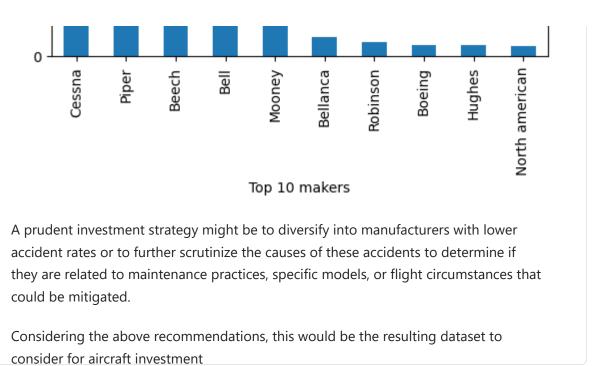




Third business recommendation: Be weary of investing in certain aircraft makers. Be very carefull in investing on 'Cessna', 'Piper' and 'Beech' as their aircrafts combined have had around 50% of the fatal and serious accidents. In particular, 'Cessna' has 25%, 'Piper' 17.7%, and 'Beech' 8.8%. The rest of the makers are involved in less than 2.6% of the fatal and serious accidents.

```
In [93]:
    plt.figure()
    top_10_make.plot(kind='bar')
    plt.xlabel('Top 10 makers')
    plt.ylabel('Percentage of Accidents')
    plt.xticks(rotation=90)
    plt.title('Top 10 Markers per Percentage of Accidents');
```





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