

# Is Boeing the safest airplane?

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#### Introduction

- Problem: Which airplanes will have the lowest risk for the company?
- **Solution**: Determine which plane has the lowest fatality rate per crash.



#### The data

- Dataset from the National Transportation Safety Board
- Data ranges from 1962 2023

	Event.Id	Investigation.Type	Accident.Number	Event.Date	Location	Country	Latitude	Longitude
0	20001218X45444	Accident	SEA87LA080	1948-10- 24	MOOSE CREEK, ID	United States	NaN	NaN
1	20001218X45447	Accident	LAX94LA336	1962-07- 19	BRIDGEPORT, CA	United States	NaN	NaN
2	20061025X01555	Accident	NYC07LA005	1974-08- 30	Saltville, VA	United States	36.922223	-81.878056
3	20001218X45448	Accident	LAX96LA321	1977-06- 19	EUREKA, CA	United States	NaN	NaN
4	20041105X01764	Accident	CHI79FA064	1979-08- 02	Canton, OH	United States	NaN	NaN

Note: Not all columns are shown.

### What's important

Data from the last 30 years

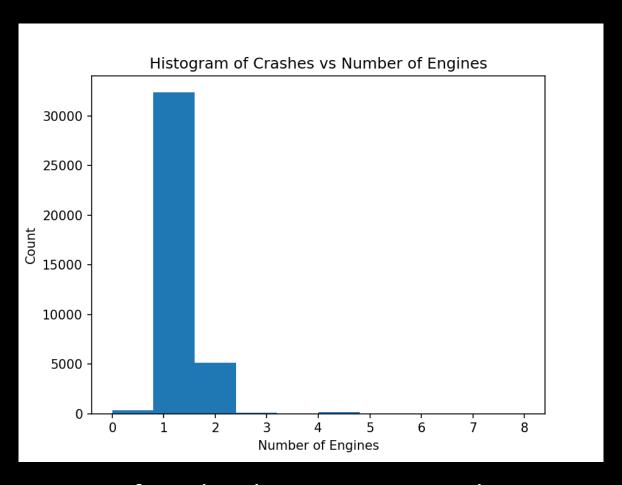
- <u>Primary Variables</u> from the dataset:
  - Make
  - Model
  - Number of Fatal Injuries
  - Number of Engines

### Analysis

• Descriptive Statistics is used to determine findings, i.e. Mean

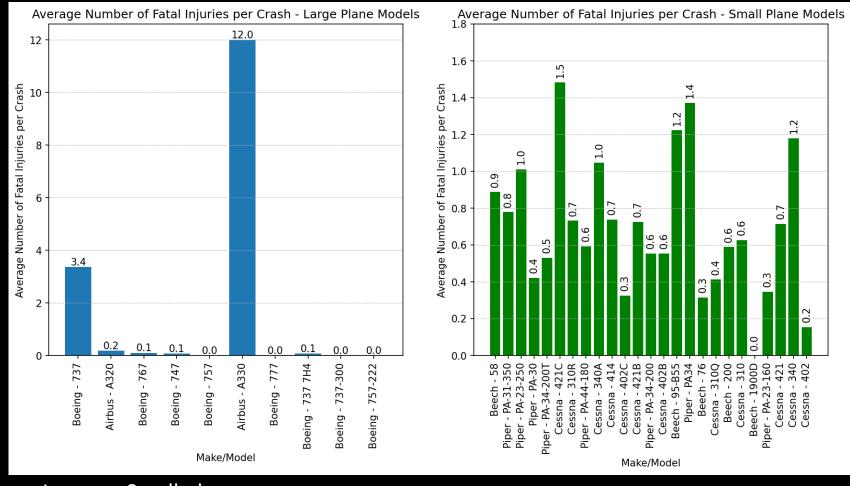
- Steps Taken:
  - Remove data older than 30 years old
  - Standardize "Make" data
  - Sort Data into primary small and large plane by "Make"

# 1<sup>st</sup> Finding



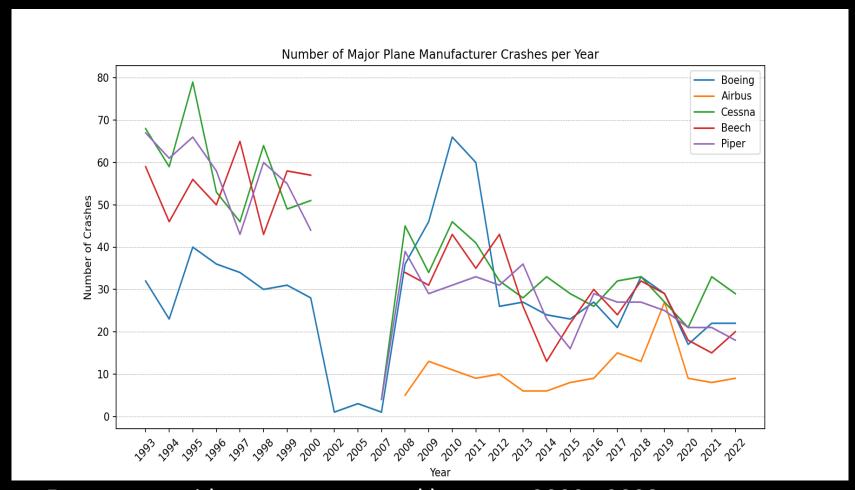
• 85% of crashes have 1 engine or less

# 2<sup>nd</sup> Finding



- Large vs Small planes
- Sorted by Make/Model types with the most number of accidents

# 3<sup>rd</sup> Finding



• Few or no accidents were reported between 2000 - 2008

#### Recommendations

1. Do NOT purchase airplanes with less than 2 engines.

2. Large planes: <u>Boeing 757</u> or <u>Airbus A319</u>

Small planes: <u>Beech 1900D</u> or <u>Cessna 402</u>

3. Conduct safety review of company planes every 10 years.

### The next steps

What are financial impacts?

• Where should our operations be?