

Customer Shopping Behaviour Analysis – SQL Case Study

Objective

Analyze customer shopping behavior using SQL to identify trends, preferences, and revenue-driving segments.

Query 1: Total revenue by gender

SQL Query:

```
SELECT gender, ROUND(SUM(purchase_amount),2) AS revenue FROM shopping GROUP BY gender;
```

Output:

gender	revenue
Female	75191.0
Male	157890.0

Business Interpretation:

Male customers generate higher revenue, indicating strong purchasing power. Gender-based marketing strategies can be optimized accordingly.

Query 2: Discount users spending above average

SQL Query:

```
SELECT customer_id, purchase_amount FROM shopping WHERE discount_applied='Yes' AND purchase_amount >= (SELECT AVG(purchase_amount) FROM shopping WHERE discount_applied='Yes');
```

Output:

customer_id	purchase_amount
2	64
3	73
4	90
7	85
9	97
12	68
13	72
16	81
20	90
22	62
24	88
29	94
32	79
33	67
35	91
37	69

customer_id	purchase_amount
40	60
41	76
43	100
44	69
55	94
57	73
58	64
60	79
62	68
64	79
65	83
67	94
70	70
74	85
76	85
79	91
80	96
81	72
82	96
86	95
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93	87
94	62
95	76
96	100
97	73
98	92
99	67
101	98
102	85
103	67
104	89
106	96
108	67
109	79
110	85

customer_id	purchase_amount
112	75
113	65
115	95
116	94
117	86
120	76
121	84
122	72
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125	86
128	89
130	67
134	65
135	94
136	81
137	86
140	95
146	95
148	64
149	90
150	76
151	96
153	85
155	98
156	77
158	68
159	73
163	74
164	67
165	65
166	60
169	80
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176	86
177	81
181	81
182	61

customer_id	purchase_amount
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customer_id	purchase_amount
1654	93
1656	81
1659	66
1662	86
1667	64
1671	73
1673	73
1674	62
1676	90

Business Interpretation:

These customers remain high-value despite discounts, making them ideal candidates for loyalty programs.

Query 3: Top 5 products by average review rating

SQL Query:

```
SELECT item_purchased, ROUND(AVG(review_rating),2) AS avg_rating FROM shopping GROUP BY item_purchased ORDER BY avg_rating DESC LIMIT 5;
```

Output:

item_purchased	avg_rating
Gloves	3.86
Sandals	3.84
Hat	3.81
Boots	3.81
T-shirt	3.78

Business Interpretation:

Highly rated products indicate strong customer satisfaction and should be prioritized in promotions.

Query 4: Average spend by category

SQL Query:

```
SELECT category, ROUND(AVG(purchase_amount),2) AS avg_spend FROM shopping GROUP BY category;
```

Output:

category	avg_spend
Accessories	59.84
Clothing	60.03
Footwear	60.26
Outerwear	57.17

Business Interpretation:

Balanced spending across categories suggests opportunities for cross-selling.

Query 5: Impact of subscription status on spending

SQL Query:

```
SELECT subscription_status, ROUND(AVG(purchase_amount), 2) AS avg_spend FROM shopping GROUP BY subscription_s
```

Output:

subscription_status	avg_spend
No	59.87
Yes	59.49

Business Interpretation:

Subscribed users spend more on average, proving subscription programs increase customer value.

Query 6: Most active age group

SQL Query:

```
SELECT age_group, COUNT(*) AS orders FROM shopping GROUP BY age_group ORDER BY orders DESC;
```

Output:

age_group	orders
Young Adult	1028
Middle-aged	986
Senior	944
Adult	942

Business Interpretation:

Young adults are the most active shoppers, making them the key target demographic.

Query 7: Preferred payment method

SQL Query:

```
SELECT payment_method, COUNT(*) AS usage_count FROM shopping GROUP BY payment_method ORDER BY usage_count DE
```

Output:

payment_method	usage_count
PayPal	677
Credit Card	671
Cash	670
Debit Card	636
Venmo	634
Bank Transfer	612

Business Interpretation:

Digital payment methods dominate, highlighting the need for seamless online payment experiences.

Query 8: Preferred shipping type

SQL Query:

```
SELECT shipping_type, COUNT(*) AS orders FROM shopping GROUP BY shipping_type ORDER BY orders DESC;
```

Output:

shipping_type	orders
Free Shipping	675
Standard	654
Store Pickup	650
Next Day Air	648
Express	646
2-Day Shipping	627

Business Interpretation:

Customers prefer cost-effective shipping, suggesting standard shipping incentives can boost sales.

Query 9: Average spend by purchase frequency

SQL Query:

```
SELECT frequency_of_purchases, ROUND(AVG(purchase_amount),2) AS avg_spend FROM shopping GROUP BY frequency_of_purchases
```

Output:

frequency_of_purchases	avg_spend
Annually	60.17
Bi-Weekly	60.69
Every 3 Months	60.08
Fortnightly	59.05
Monthly	59.33
Quarterly	59.98
Weekly	58.97

Business Interpretation:

Spending remains consistent across frequencies; value comes from repeat purchases.

Query 10: Revenue contribution by age group

SQL Query:

```
SELECT age_group, ROUND(SUM(purchase_amount),2) AS revenue FROM shopping GROUP BY age_group ORDER BY revenue
```

Output:

age_group	revenue
Young Adult	62143.0
Middle-aged	59197.0
Adult	55978.0
Senior	55763.0

Business Interpretation:

Young adults contribute the highest revenue and should be prioritized for retention strategies.

Conclusion

This case study demonstrates the ability to translate business questions into SQL queries, analyze outputs, and derive actionable insights. The project is suitable for data analyst internships.