

# Data Analysis Portfolio: Online Retail Dataset

## 1. Problem Statement

The goal is to analyze the performance of the online retail business and identify actionable insights to improve revenue, customer retention, and operational efficiency. Specifically, the analysis will focus on sales trends, customer behavior, and product performance.

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## 2. KPI Requirements

Below are the KPIs with their step-by-step breakdown, SQL queries, and corresponding Tableau chart requirements.

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### KPI 1: Total Revenue by Month

**Objective:** Understand monthly revenue trends to identify peak sales periods.

**Steps:**

1. Extract the InvoiceDate and Quantity \* UnitPrice to calculate monthly revenue.
2. Group by month and year.
3. Sort the data by date.

**SQL Query:**

```
SELECT DATE_FORMAT (InvoiceDATE, '%Y-%M') AS Monthly_revenue,  
SUM(Quantity * UnitPrice) AS Total_revenue  
FROM online_retail.`online retail`  
GROUP BY DATE_FORMAT (InvoiceDATE, '%Y-%M')  
ORDER BY DATE_FORMAT (InvoiceDATE, '%Y-%M')
```



|   | Monthly_revenue | Total_revenue |
|---|-----------------|---------------|
| ▶ | 2010-December   | 408584        |

**Excel Visualization:**

- Create a **Bar chart** to display total revenue trends by month.
  - Add data labels and a trendline for better insights.
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## KPI 2: Top 10 Best-Selling Products

**Objective:** Identify the most popular products to optimize inventory.

**Steps:**

1. Calculate total quantity sold for each product.
2. Rank the products by quantity in descending order.
3. Select the top 10 products.

**SQL Query:**

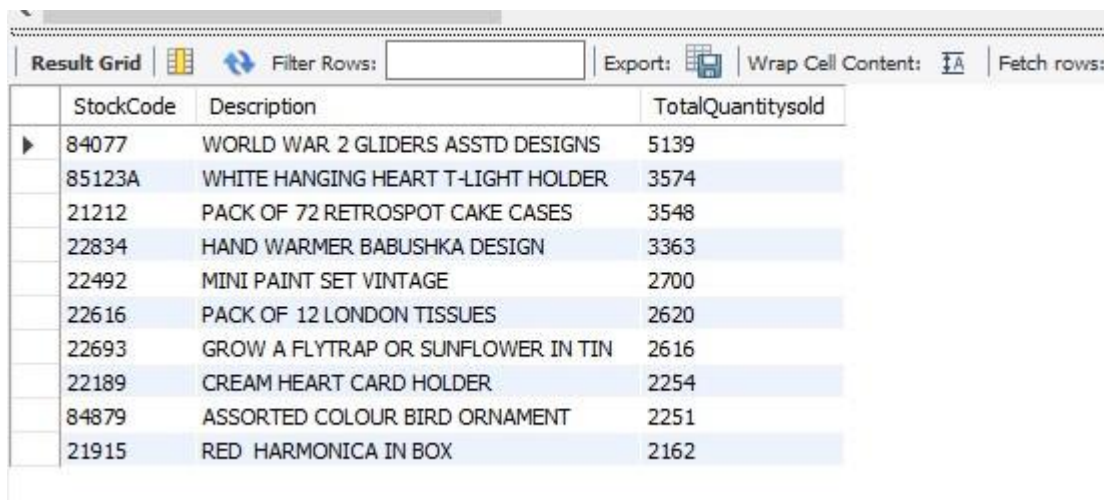
```
SELECT StockCode, Description, SUM(Quantity) AS TotalQuantitysold
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```
FROM online_retail.`online retail`
```

```
GROUP BY StockCode, Description
```

```
ORDER BY SUM(Quantity) DESC
```

```
LIMIT 10
```



The screenshot shows a database query result grid with the following data:

|   | StockCode | Description                        | TotalQuantitysold |
|---|-----------|------------------------------------|-------------------|
| ▶ | 84077     | WORLD WAR 2 GLIDERS ASSTD DESIGNS  | 5139              |
|   | 85123A    | WHITE HANGING HEART T-LIGHT HOLDER | 3574              |
|   | 21212     | PACK OF 72 RETROSPOT CAKE CASES    | 3548              |
|   | 22834     | HAND WARMER BABUSHKA DESIGN        | 3363              |
|   | 22492     | MINI PAINT SET VINTAGE             | 2700              |
|   | 22616     | PACK OF 12 LONDON TISSUES          | 2620              |
|   | 22693     | GROW A FLYTRAP OR SUNFLOWER IN TIN | 2616              |
|   | 22189     | CREAM HEART CARD HOLDER            | 2254              |
|   | 84879     | ASSORTED COLOUR BIRD ORNAMENT      | 2251              |
|   | 21915     | RED HARMONICA IN BOX               | 2162              |

**Excel Visualization:**

- Create a **horizontal bar chart** showing the top 10 products with their sales volumes.
  - Use different colors to distinguish the bars for better visual appeal.
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### KPI 3: Revenue Contribution by Country

**Objective:** Analyze which countries contribute the most to revenue.

**Steps:**

1. Aggregate revenue (Quantity \* UnitPrice) for each country.
2. Calculate the percentage contribution of each country.

**SQL Query:**

SELECT

Country,

SUM(Quantity \* UnitPrice) AS Revenue,

ROUND((SUM(Quantity \* UnitPrice) / (SELECT SUM(Quantity \* UnitPrice) FROM OnlineRetail))  
\* 100, 2) AS PercentageContribution

FROM

OnlineRetail

GROUP BY

Country

ORDER BY

Revenue DESC;

| Result Grid    | Filter Rows: | Export:     | Wrap Cell Content: |
|----------------|--------------|-------------|--------------------|
| Country        | Revenue      | PercentCont |                    |
| United Kingdom | 358535       | 87.75       |                    |
| Germany        | 10415        | 2.55        |                    |
| France         | 6741         | 1.65        |                    |
| EIRE           | 5976         | 1.46        |                    |
| Netherlands    | 5918         | 1.45        |                    |
| Japan          | 5553         | 1.36        |                    |
| Norway         | 2228         | 0.55        |                    |
| Portugal       | 1864         | 0.46        |                    |
| Sweden         | 1728         | 0.42        |                    |
| Spain          | 1346         | 0.33        |                    |
| Lithuania      | 1294         | 0.32        |                    |
| Cyprus         | 1087         | 0.27        |                    |
| Denmark        | 1034         | 0.25        |                    |

**Tableau Visualization:**

- Create a **horizontal bar chart** to display the percentage revenue contribution by each country.
- Use annotations to highlight the top three countries.

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## KPI 4: Customer Retention Rate

**Objective:** Measure the percentage of repeat customers over time.

### Steps:

1. Identify first purchase dates for each customer.
2. Calculate the number of customers with repeat purchases.
3. Divide repeat customers by total customers to calculate retention rate.

### SQL Query:

```
WITH FirstPurchase AS(
SELECT CustomerID, MIN(InvoiceDate) AS FirstPurchaseDate
FROM online_retail.`online retail`
GROUP BY CustomerID
),
RepeatCustomers AS(
SELECT fp.CustomerID
FROM online_retail.`online retail` r
INNER JOIN FirstPurchase fp
ON r.CustomerID = fp.CustomerID
WHERE r.InvoiceDate > fp.FirstPurchaseDate
)
SELECT
(SELECT COUNT(DISTINCT CustomerID) FROM RepeatCustomers)/
(SELECT COUNT(DISTINCT CustomerID) FROM online_retail.`online retail`) * 100 AS
RetentionRate;
```

|               |              |         |                    |
|---------------|--------------|---------|--------------------|
| Result Grid   | Filter Rows: | Export: | Wrap Cell Content: |
| RetentionRate |              |         |                    |
| 29.5918       |              |         |                    |

### Tableau Visualization:

- Use a **text table** to compare the total number of customers with repeat customers across time periods.
- Add percentages as data labels for clear communication.

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## KPI 5: Average Order Value (AOV)

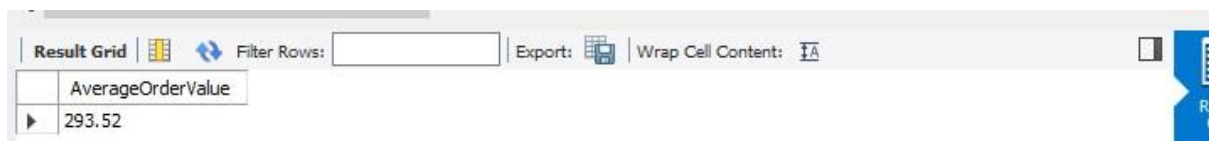
**Objective:** Track the average revenue per order to assess profitability.

**Steps:**

1. Calculate total revenue and the number of invoices.
2. Divide total revenue by the number of unique invoices.

**SQL Query:**

```
SELECT ROUND(SUM(Quantity * UnitPrice)/ COUNT(DISTINCT InvoiceNo), 2) AS  
AverageOrderValue  
FROM online_retail.`online retail`
```



The screenshot shows a SQL query result grid. The header row is labeled 'AverageOrderValue'. The first data row shows the value '293.52'. The interface includes a 'Filter Rows' field, an 'Export' button, and a 'Wrap Cell Content' option.

| AverageOrderValue |
|-------------------|
| 293.52            |

**Tableau Visualization:**

- Create a **text table chart** showing monthly trends in AOV.
- Add a reference line for the average AOV across the entire dataset.

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**3. By addressing the outlined challenges and analyzing the available data, this project aims to deliver actionable insights that enhance operational efficiency, improve customer retention, or optimize revenue]. The results will enable data-driven decision-making and provide a foundation for continuous improvement in business performance, customer satisfaction, or resource allocation. Ultimately, this analysis seeks to support strategic objectives and foster sustainable growth**