

# Projects/Problem Statement - Target Retail Market Analysis – SQL Project

Business Case: Target SQL

Context:

Target is a globally renowned brand and a prominent retailer in the United States. Target makes itself a preferred shopping destination by offering outstanding value, inspiration, innovation and an exceptional guest experience that no other retailer can deliver.

This particular business case focuses on the operations of Target in Brazil and provides insightful information about 100,000 orders placed between 2016 and 2018. The dataset offers a comprehensive view of various dimensions including the order status, price, payment and freight performance, customer location, product attributes, and customer reviews.

By analyzing this extensive dataset, it becomes possible to gain valuable insights into Target's operations in Brazil. The information can shed light on various aspects of the business, such as order processing, pricing strategies, payment and shipping efficiency, customer demographics, product characteristics, and customer satisfaction levels.

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The data is available in 8 csv files:

customers.csv  
sellers.csv  
order\_items.csv  
geolocation.csv  
payments.csv  
reviews.csv  
orders.csv  
products.csv

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The column description for these csv files is given below.

The customers.csv contain following features:

Features

Description

customer\_id

ID of the consumer who made the purchase

customer\_unique\_id

Unique ID of the consumer

customer\_zip\_code\_prefix

Zip Code of consumer's location

customer\_city

Name of the City from where order is made

customer\_state

State Code from where order is made (Eg. são paulo - SP)

The sellers.csv contains following features:

Features

Description

seller\_id

Unique ID of the seller registered

seller\_zip\_code\_prefix

Zip Code of the seller's location

seller\_city

Name of the City of the seller

seller\_state

State Code (Eg. são paulo - SP)

The order\_items.csv contain following features:

## Features

### Description

order\_id

A Unique ID of order made by the consumers

order\_item\_id

A Unique ID given to each item ordered in the order

product\_id

A Unique ID given to each product available on the site

seller\_id

Unique ID of the seller registered in Target

shipping\_limit\_date

The date before which the ordered product must be shipped

price

Actual price of the products ordered

freight\_value

Price rate at which a product is delivered from one point to another

The geolocations.csv contain following features:

## Features

### Description

geolocation\_zip\_code\_prefix

First 5 digits of Zip Code

geolocation\_lat

Latitude

geolocation\_lng

Longitude

geolocation\_city

City

geolocation\_state

State

The payments.csv contain following features:

Features

Description

order\_id

A Unique ID of order made by the consumers

payment\_sequential

Sequences of the payments made in case of EMI

payment\_type

Mode of payment used (Eg. Credit Card)

payment\_installments

Number of installments in case of EMI purchase

payment\_value

Total amount paid for the purchase order

The orders.csv contain following features:

Features

Description

order\_id

A Unique ID of order made by the consumers

customer\_id

ID of the consumer who made the purchase

order\_status

Status of the order made i.e. delivered, shipped, etc.

order\_purchase\_timestamp

Timestamp of the purchase

order\_delivered\_carrier\_date

Delivery date at which carrier made the delivery

order\_delivered\_customer\_date

Date at which customer got the product

order\_estimated\_delivery\_date

Estimated delivery date of the products

The reviews.csv contain following features:

Features

Description

review\_id

ID of the review given on the product ordered by the order id

order\_id

A Unique ID of order made by the consumers

review\_score

Review score given by the customer for each order on a scale of 1-5

review\_comment\_title

Title of the review

review\_comment\_message

Review comments posted by the consumer for each order

review\_creation\_date

Timestamp of the review when it is created

review\_answer\_timestamp

Timestamp of the review answered

The products.csv contain following features:

Features

Description

product\_id

A Unique identifier for the proposed project.

product\_category\_name

Name of the product category

product\_name\_lenght

Length of the string which specifies the name given to the products ordered

product\_description\_lenght

Length of the description written for each product ordered on the site

product\_photos\_qty

Number of photos of each product ordered available on the shopping portal

product\_weight\_g

Weight of the products ordered in grams

product\_length\_cm

Length of the products ordered in centimeters

product\_height\_cm

Height of the products ordered in centimeters

product\_width\_cm

Width of the product ordered in centimeters

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Problem Statement:

Assuming you are a data analyst/ scientist at Target, you have been assigned the task of analyzing the given dataset to extract valuable insights and provide actionable recommendations.

What does 'good' look like?

Import the dataset and do usual exploratory analysis steps like checking the structure & characteristics of the dataset:

Data type of all columns in the "customers" table.

Get the time range between which the orders were placed.

Count the Cities & States of customers who ordered during the given period.

In-depth Exploration:

Is there a growing trend in the no. of orders placed over the past years?

Can we see some kind of monthly seasonality in terms of the no. of orders being placed?

During what time of the day, do the Brazilian customers mostly place their orders? (Dawn, Morning, Afternoon or Night)

0-6 hrs : Dawn

7-12 hrs : Mornings

13-18 hrs : Afternoon

19-23 hrs : Night

Evolution of E-commerce orders in the Brazil region:

Get the month on month no. of orders placed in each state.

How are the customers distributed across all the states?

Impact on Economy: Analyze the money movement by e-commerce by looking at order prices,

freight and others.

Get the % increase in the cost of orders from year 2017 to 2018 (include months between Jan to Aug only).

You can use the "payment\_value" column in the payments table to get the cost of orders.

Calculate the Total & Average value of order price for each state.

Calculate the Total & Average value of order freight for each state.

Analysis based on sales, freight and delivery time.

Find the no. of days taken to deliver each order from the order's purchase date as delivery time.

Also, calculate the difference (in days) between the estimated & actual delivery date of an order.

Do this in a single query.

You can calculate the delivery time and the difference between the estimated & actual delivery date using the given formula:

$\text{time\_to\_deliver} = \text{order\_delivered\_customer\_date} - \text{order\_purchase\_timestamp}$

$\text{diff\_estimated\_delivery} = \text{order\_estimated\_delivery\_date} - \text{order\_delivered\_customer\_date}$

Find out the top 5 states with the highest & lowest average freight value.

Find out the top 5 states with the highest & lowest average delivery time.

Find out the top 5 states where the order delivery is really fast as compared to the estimated date of delivery.

You can use the difference between the averages of actual & estimated delivery date to figure out how fast the delivery was for each state.

Analysis based on the payments:

Find the month on month no. of orders placed using different payment types.

Find the no. of orders placed on the basis of the payment installments that have been paid.

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