Business Analyst Career Program - Capstone Project

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Data Exploration

- First part of data exploration comprises of studying the data and understanding what it is trying to convey
- This is a sales data provided by the finance department for various products, classified on the basis of segments which sells these for countries from Europe and North America
- The first step is data cleaning i.e. removing extra data/outliers to avoid redundancy and to derive proper results
- We have an excel data comprising of 700 entries providing ample amount of information which will help us to gather insights as we proceed further

Data Cleaning

- The amount in various columns are specified in dollars (\$), changed the datatype to 'General' to ensure consistency
- Two columns 'Sales' and 'Gross Sales' have same values, hence removed the latter
- Added a new column 'Discount %', calculated the same using the formula:
 Discount Provided / Sales * 100
- There's a column named 'Date', then 'Month Number', 'Month Name' and 'Year' are extra columns. Removed the extra columns. Changed the 'Date' column type to 'Custom dd/mm/YYYY' to avoid inconsistency with the timelines in further analysis

Data Cleaning

- Before and After result after cleaning looks like the sample data snippet below
- Save the file as CSV

	Α	В	С	D	E	F	G		Н	- 1		J	K		L	М	N	0	Р
1	Segment	Country	Product	Discount Band	Units Sold	Manufacturing	Sale Price	Gro	ss Sales	Discour	ts Sale		COGS	Profit		Date	Month Number	Month Name	Year
2	Government	Canada	Carretera	None	1618.5	\$ 3.00	\$ 20.0	00 \$	32,370.00	\$ -	\$	32,370.00	\$ 16,185.00	\$	16,185.00	1/1/2014	1	January	2014
3	Government	Germany	Carretera	None	1321	\$ 3.00	\$ 20.0	00 \$	26,420.00	\$ -	\$	26,420.00	\$ 13,210.00	\$	13,210.00	1/1/2014	1	January	2014

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86	Government	Mexico	Velo	Low	362	120	7	25.34	1.01	2508.66	1810	698.66	01/05/2014
90	Government	Germany	VTT	Low	263	250	7	18.41	1.01	1822.59	1315	507.59	01/03/2014

Statistical Analysis using Excel

- Statistical analysis has been done on each products and the no. of units sold
- On checking data in the below image, deviation from mean value is greater for the product 'Velo'

▼ Sum of Units Sold	Average of Units Sold	Standard Deviation of Units Sold	Variance of Units Sold
1553	15 1652.287234	853.2126243	727971.7822
1468	46 1578.9892 47	869.7091186	756393.951
1541	98 1658.043011	796.591375	634557.8188
338239	.5 1674.45297	876.7778479	768739.3945
162424	.5 1490.133028	923.203901	852305.4428
1687	33 1548.46789	862.9550766	744691.4642
11258	1608.294286	867.4278591	752431.0907
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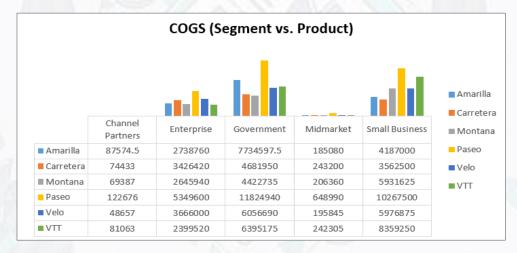
Statistical Analysis using Excel

- Total, average, maximum and median values calculated for various parameters
- More data can be found in worksheet named 'KPIs' from the cleaned dataset
- From the mode calculation, it is understood that for most products, the segments in various countries don't offer any sort of discount
- Also, from the manufacturing price's mode, we can infer that we have most entries for the product 'Paseo'

Total Discount	Average Discount	Maximum Discount	
9205248.24	13150.35463		149677.5
Mode of Discount %	Mode of Manufacturing Price	Median of Sales	
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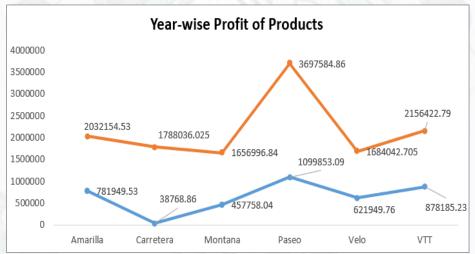
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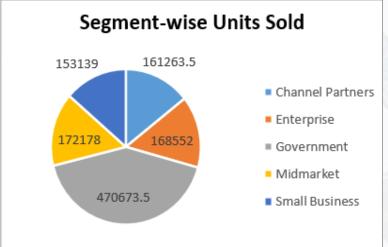
- Graphical analysis and appropriate visuals helps to understand the numbers in a prompt manner
- Referring the image below, we can infer that the COGS(Cost of Goods Sold) for the product 'Paseo' in 'Government' segment is the highest



Graphical Analysis using Excel

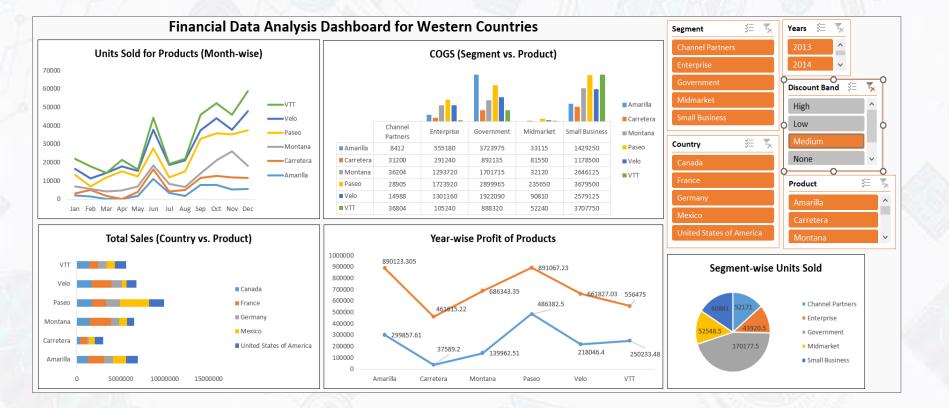
 Below mentioned two visuals suggest that the profit incurred by sales of the product 'Paseo' is highest for both the years (2013 & 2014), and the most sales is done by the 'Government' segment, followed by 'Midmarket'





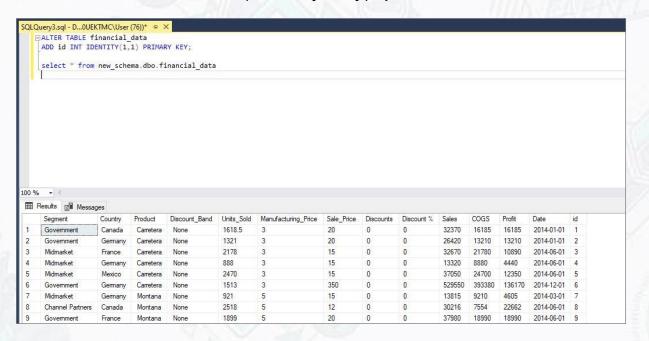
Overall Dashboard





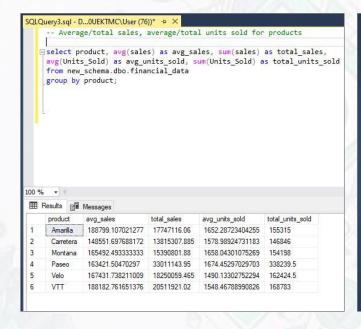
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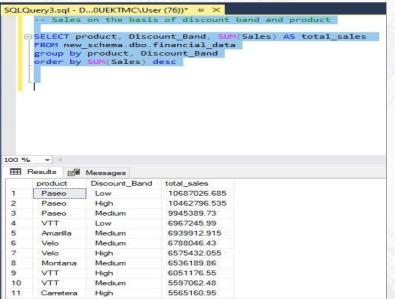
Added a new column id (Primary Key), please find the attached screenshot



Insert the given data into the SQL server

Please find the attached screenshots







Discount %

18421.2 5418

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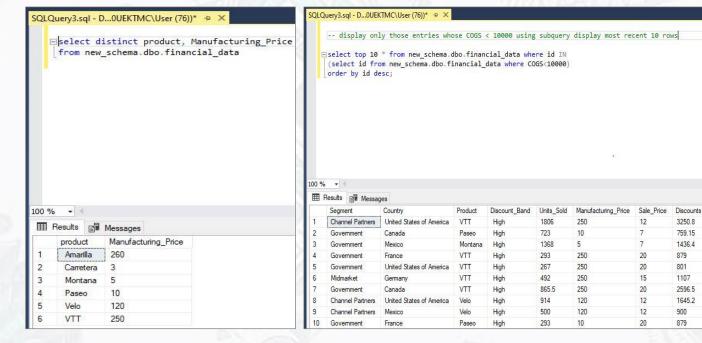
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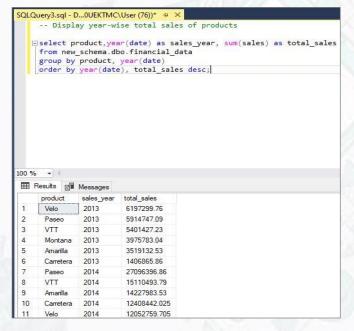
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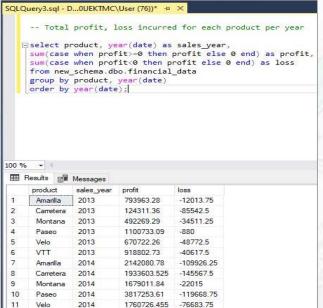
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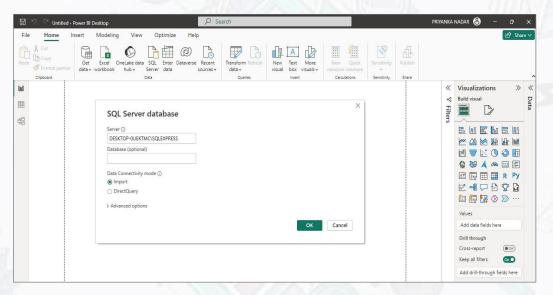
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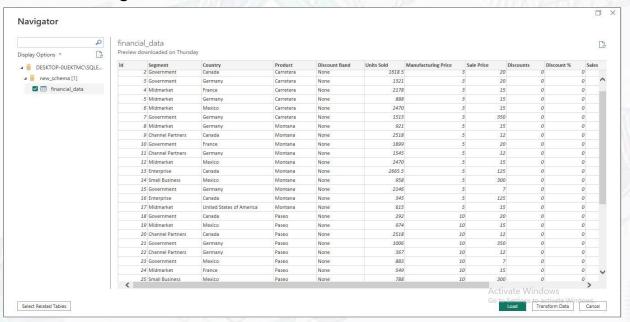
Data Import from SQL



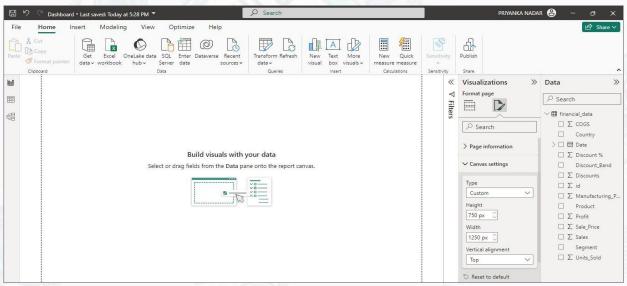
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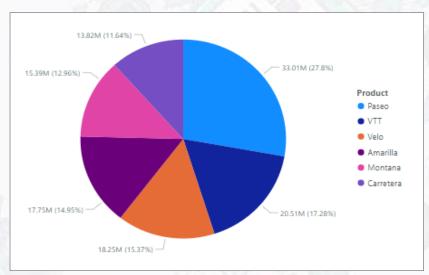
Data Loading



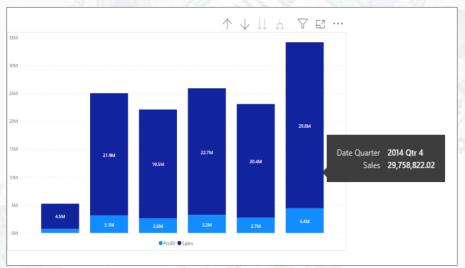
- Data Loaded Successfully
- Prepare viz, add filters, and assemble them all in a dashboard (canvas size is 1250 x 750 pixels)



- Product wise Sales given in the visualization below
- Bottom 3 products(inferring it as products with least sales) Carretera, Montana and Amarilla



- Profit and sales by quarter calculated for all the quarters present according to the dates in dataset
- Yearly sales and profit

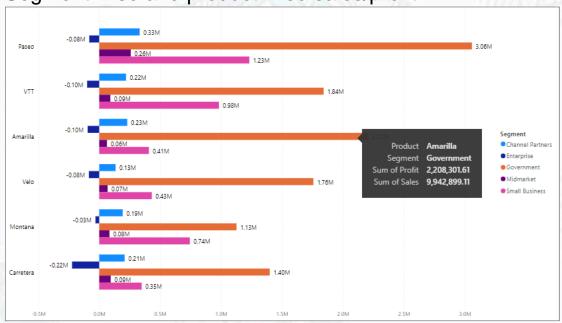


Year	Total Profit	Total Sales	Total Units Sold
2014	13,015,237.75	92,311,094.75	861,132.00
2013	3,878,464.51	26,415,255.51	264,674.00
Total	16,893,702.26	118,726,350.26	1,125,806.00

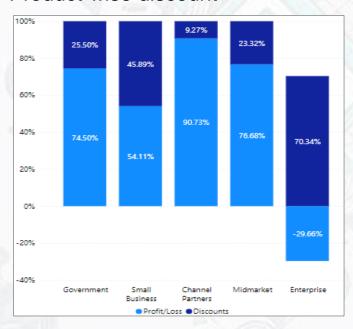
- Country-wise Sales
- Top 2 countries (in terms of sales USA and Canada, profit France and Germany, units sold – Canada and France)

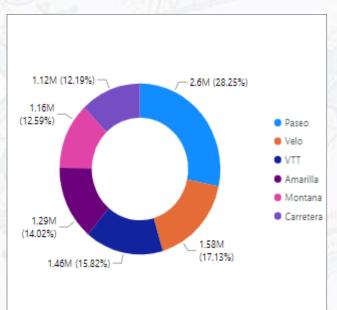
Country	Sum of Sales	Sum of Units_Sold	Sum of Profit
United States of America	25,029,830.17	232,627.50	2,995,540.67
Canada	24,887,654.89	247,428.50	3,529,228.89
France	24,354,172.28	240,931.00	3,781,020.78
Germany	23,505,340.82	201,494.00	3,680,388.82
Mexico	20,949,352.11	203,325.00	2,907,523.11
Total	118,726,350.26	1,125,806.00	16,893,702.26

Segment-wise and product-wise sales/profit

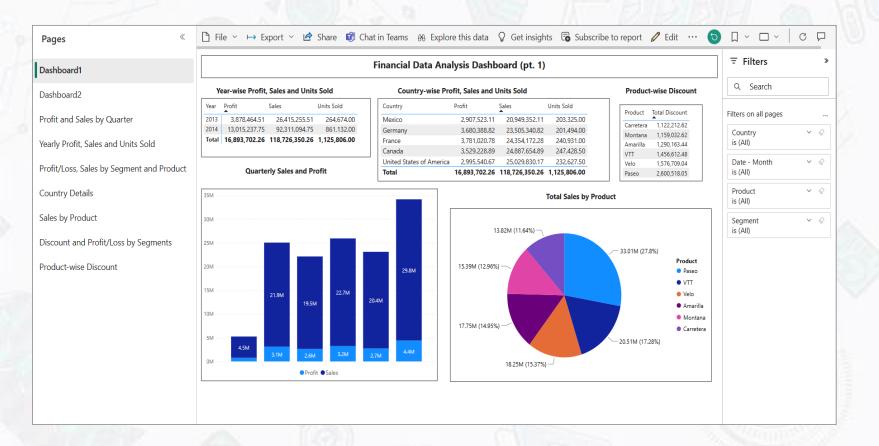


- Segment-wise profit, discounts
- Product-wise discount



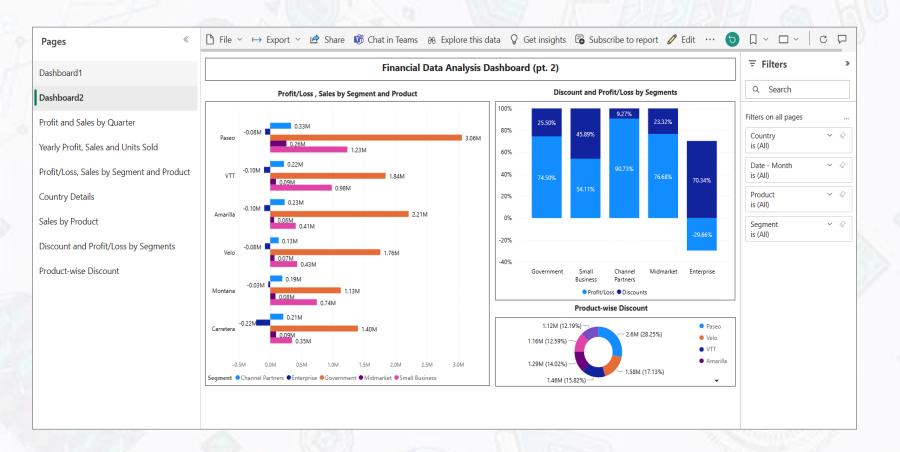


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Conclusion and Inferences

- Paseo has the highest sales in the 'Government' sector
- Also, customers trust other products from this segment the most
- Germany has sold least number of units but in terms of profit, it has outgrown significantly
- With good marketing campaigns, sales can be increased
- USA currently looks like it has incurred loss even after higher sales, hence we need to analyze the bigger picture (supply chain, customer satisfaction, etc.) in this region
- As the sales are good, it has a scope for improvement
- Last quarter of 2014 has been a great time in terms of sales, kudos to the entire team
- 'Enterprise' segment seems to have incurred loss, probably because of the high discount rates offered in products
- But at the same time, Paseo, which has the highest number of sales, has offered most discounts to customers
- We need to study the customers' interests in depth and also interact with the sales people to understand their point of view for further analysis

Reference Links:-

Excel, PowerBI and SQL:

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