

Pest Data Project Analysis Report

Introduction

This report explores a dataset on pest populations collected across various locations in India from 1959 to 2011. The data includes observations for several pest species alongside weather parameters and pest counts.

□ The specific pest species include:

- Gall Midge
- Brownplanthopper
- Greenleafhopper
- LeafFolder
- Yellowstemborer
- Caseworm
- Mirid Bug
- ZigZagleafhopper
- LeafBlast
- NeckBlast

The primary objective of this analysis is to investigate potential relationships between weather conditions and pest activity for various pest species. By analyzing these factors, we hope to gain insights that could be valuable for pest management strategies in different regions of India.

Data Analysis

We imported the data into a relational database management system (RDBMS) and created a table named "PESTDATA" to store the observations.

The table schema includes columns for:

- OBSERVATION YEAR (INT): Year of observation
- STANDARD WEEK (INT): Standard week within the year (e.g., week 1, week 2)
- PESTVALUE (INT): Number of pests found per unit (e.g., per hill)
- COLLECTIONTYPE (VARCHAR(20)): Type of collection method used
- Weather parameters:
 - MAXT (DECIMAL(5,2)): Maximum Temperature in degrees Celsius
 - MINT (DECIMAL(5,2)): Minimum Temperature in degrees Celsius
 - RH1 (DECIMAL(5,2)): Relative Humidity 1 as a percentage
 - RH2 (DECIMAL(5,2)): Relative Humidity 2 as a percentage

- RF (DECIMAL(5,2)): Rainfall in millimeters
- WS (DECIMAL(5,2)): Wind Speed in kilometers per hour
- SSH (DECIMAL(5,2)): Sunshine Hours
- EVP (DECIMAL(5,2)): Evaporation in millimeters
- PESTNAME (VARCHAR(20)): Name of the pest species (e.g., Brownplanthopper)

Data Overview:

- Overview of Data

'OBSERVATIONYEAR','int','NO','",NULL,"

'STANDARDWEEK','int','NO','",NULL,"

'PESTVALUE','int','NO','",NULL,"

'COLLECTIONTYPE','varchar(20)','NO','",NULL,"

'MAXT','decimal(5,2)','NO','",NULL,"

'MINT','decimal(5,2)','NO','",NULL,"

'RH1','decimal(5,2)','NO','",NULL,"

'RH2','decimal(5,2)','NO','",NULL,"

'RF','decimal(5,2)','NO','",NULL,"

'WS','decimal(5,2)','NO','",NULL,"

'SSH','decimal(5,2)','NO','",NULL,"

'EVP','decimal(5,2)','NO','",NULL,"

'PESTNAME','varchar(20)','NO','",NULL,"

'LOCATION','varchar(20)','NO','",NULL,"

Data Cleaning :

The data cleaning process involved identifying and addressing inconsistencies or redundancies within the dataset to ensure its quality for further analysis.

There is no missing data as the data is cleaned before uploading into the SQL.

Feature Engineering for Enhanced Pest Data Analysis

The raw pest data underwent a series of transformations to improve its usability for exploring relationships between weather variables and pest activity. Here's a detailed breakdown of the feature engineering steps implemented

- **State Standardization:** The data contained city names representing locations across India. To facilitate analysis based on broader regions, a new column named "STATE" was added. This column was populated using update statements that mapped city names to their corresponding states. For example, "Cuttack" was converted to "ODISHA," ensuring consistency and enabling regional comparisons.

'STATE','varchar(20)','NO',' ',NULL,''

| | | |
|---------------|---------|------------------|
| Cuttack | becomes | ODISHA |
| Raipur | becomes | CHHATTISGARH |
| Palampur | becomes | Himachal Pradesh |
| Maruteru | becomes | ANDHRA PRADESH |
| Ludhiana | becomes | PUNJAB |
| Rajendranagar | becomes | MANIPUR |

- **Seasonal Categorization:** A crucial factor influencing pest activity is seasonality. To capture this aspect, a new column named "SEASON" was created. This column categorized observations based on the standard week they fell within. Here's the breakdown of the seasonal mapping.

'SEASON','varchar(20)','NO',' ',NULL,''

Summer: Weeks 10 to 20 (approximate)

Monsoon: Weeks 21 to 36 (approximate)

Post-Monsoon: Weeks 37 to 44 (approximate)

Winter: Weeks 45 to 9 (wrapping around to the next year)

With this seasonal classification, we can investigate potential variations in pest populations across different seasons.

- **Interaction Term Creation:** While analyzing the independent effects of weather variables like temperature and rainfall on pest counts is valuable, exploring their combined influence can be even more insightful. To achieve this, two interaction terms were calculated and added as new columns:
 - **TEMP_PEST_INTERACTION (MAXT * PESTVALUE):** This term multiplies the maximum temperature (MAXT) by the pest value (PESTVALUE). This allows us to investigate if higher temperatures combined with higher initial pest populations lead to a more significant increase in pest activity compared to the individual effects of each variable.
 - **RAINFALL_PEST_INTERACTION (RF * PESTVALUE):** This term multiplies rainfall (RF) by the pest value (PESTVALUE). Similar to the temperature interaction term, this allows us to explore if higher rainfall combined with higher initial pest populations results in a more substantial.

'TEMP_PEST_INTERACTION','float','NO','',NULL,''

'RAINFALL_PEST_INTERACTION','float','NO','',NULL,''

- **Unique Record Identification:** To efficiently manage and reference individual data points, an auto-incrementing ID column named "ID" was added as the primary key for the table. This unique identifier simplifies record retrieval and manipulation within the database.

'ID','int','NO','PRI',NULL,'auto_increment'

- **HUMIDITY_AVG (Average Relative Humidity):** This column was calculated by averaging the values from the "RH1" and "RH2" columns (presumably representing relative humidity readings from two different sources). This provides a single value for average relative humidity for each observation.

'HUMIDITY_AVG','float','NO','',NULL,''

- **TEMPERATURE_DIFFERENCE (MAXT - MINT):** This column captures the difference between the maximum temperature (MAXT) and minimum temperature (MINT) for each observation. This can be a helpful variable for exploring how the range of temperature fluctuations might influence pest activity.

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'TEMPERATURE_DIFFERENCE','float','NO',' ',NULL,"
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'TEMP_DIFF','float','NO',' ',NULL,"
```

By implementing these feature engineering steps, the pest data was transformed into a more comprehensive and informative format, facilitating a deeper investigation of potential relationships between weather variables and pest populations across various locations and seasons in India.

Data Cleaning after transformations :

I have found Zero Null values among all the columns including the transformed columns.

Exploratory Data Analysis:

Data Overview:

- A sample of the first 10 rows can be retrieved using

```
SELECT * FROM PESTDATA LIMIT 10;.
```

- The total number of observations is **17636**, obtained using

```
SELECT COUNT(*) FROM PESTDATA;.
```

- The data spans **48 years** based on the distinct observation years

```
(SELECT count(distinct(OBSERVATIONYEAR)) FROM PESTDATA;).
```

- The distinct pest names can be identified using

```
SELECT distinct(PESTNAME) FROM PESTDATA;.
```

```
'Gallmidge'
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'Brownplanthopper'

'Greenleafhopper'

'LeafFolder'

'Yellowstemborer'

'Caseworm'

'Miridbug'

'ZigZagleafhopper'

'LeafBlast'

'NeckBlast'

- The script queries the number of pest species found in each location using

```
SELECT LOCATION, COUNT(PESTNAME) FROM PESTDATA GROUP BY  
LOCATION;.
```

'Cuttack','1144'

'Ludhiana','1508'

'Maruteru','6169'

'Palampur','1248'

'Raipur','2028'

'Rajendranagar','5539'

Information on Data:

| A | B | C | D | E |
|---------------------------|--------------|-----|---|----------|
| Column Name | Data Type | Key | Description | Nullable |
| OBSERVATIONYEAR | int | | Year of observation | NO |
| STANDARDWEEK | int | | Standard week within the year (e.g., week 1, week 2) | NO |
| PESTVALUE | int | | Number of pests found per unit (e.g., per hill) | NO |
| COLLECTIONTYPE | varchar(20) | | Type of collection method used | NO |
| MAXT | decimal(5,2) | | Maximum Temperature in degrees Celsius | NO |
| MINT | decimal(5,2) | | Minimum Temperature in degrees Celsius | NO |
| RH1 | decimal(5,2) | | Relative Humidity 1 as a percentage | NO |
| RH2 | decimal(5,2) | | Relative Humidity 2 as a percentage | NO |
| RF | decimal(5,2) | | Rainfall in millimeters | NO |
| WS | decimal(5,2) | | Wind Speed in kilometers per hour | NO |
| SSH | decimal(5,2) | | Sunshine Hours | NO |
| EVP | decimal(5,2) | | Evaporation in millimeters | NO |
| PESTNAME | varchar(20) | | Name of the pest species (e.g., Brownplanthopper) | NO |
| LOCATION | varchar(20) | | State name corresponding to the observation location | NO |
| ID | int | PRI | Unique identifier for each record | NO |
| STATE | varchar(20) | | Standardized state name based on location (e.g., ODISHA for Cuttack) | NO |
| SEASON | varchar(20) | | Season (Summer, Monsoon, Post-Monsoon, Winter) based on standard week | NO |
| TEMP_PEST_INTERACTION | float | | Interaction term (MAXT * PESTVALUE) | NO |
| RAINFALL_PEST_INTERACTION | float | | Interaction term (RF * PESTVALUE) | NO |
| HUMIDITY_AVG | float | | Average relative humidity ((RH1 + RH2) / 2) | NO |
| TEMPERATURE_DIFFERENCE | float | | Difference between maximum and minimum temperature (MAXT - MINT) | NO |

QUESTIONS ON Basic Descriptive Statistics

- **WHAT ARE THE Total Number of Records?**

'17636'

- **HOW MANY LOCATIONS OR STATE THE DATA IS CONSIDERED IN THE DATA?**

'ANDHRA PRADESH'

'CHHATTISGARH'

'Himachal Pradesh'

'MANIPUR'

'ODISHA'

'PUNJAB'

- **HOW MANY NUMBERS OF YEARS THE DATA IS CONSIDERED**

'48'

- **WHAT ARE THE SEASONS IN THE DATA?**

'MONSOON'

'WINTER'

'SUMMER'

'POST-MONSOON'

- **SUMMARY SATISTISTICS FOR TEMPERATURE WITH EACH STATE**

| MAX | Min | State |
|--------------|--------------|--------------------|
| '32.136976', | '22.008829', | 'ODISHA' |
| '29.977188', | '17.436936', | 'PUNJAB' |
| '31.060204', | '22.633993', | 'ANDHRA PRADESH' |
| '23.764744', | '13.511458', | 'Himachal Pradesh' |
| '32.920759', | '20.033432', | 'CHHATTISGARH' |
| '32.479906', | '19.930872', | 'MANIPUR' |

- **Distribution of Pest Values Across Different Locations**

| | |
|------------------|-------------|
| 'Cuttack', | '269.9012' |
| 'Ludhiana', | '432.5292' |
| 'Maruteru', | '1719.2258' |
| 'Palampur', | '3.5232' |
| 'Raipur', | '125.3422' |
| 'Rajendranagar', | '472.4318' |

- **Question: How does the average pest value vary across different locations in India?**

| LOCATION | avg_pestvalue |
|---------------|---------------|
| Cuttack | 269.9012 |
| Ludhiana | 432.5292 |
| Maruteru | 1719.2258 |
| Palampur | 3.5232 |
| Raipur | 125.3422 |
| Rajendranagar | 472.4318 |

- **Question: Is there a relationship between maximum temperature (MAXT) and average pest value?**

| MAXT | avg_pestvalue |
|-------|---------------|
| 32.10 | 3326.7982 |
| 32.40 | 3074.3152 |
| 34.60 | 2130.3731 |
| 33.00 | 2126.2846 |
| 30.90 | 2122.3194 |
| 30.30 | 1948.7813 |
| 33.10 | 1922.1389 |
| 25.90 | 1889.2826 |
| 32.70 | 1876.0984 |
| 31.10 | 1844.5020 |

- **Question:** How does the average pest value vary across different seasons (Summer, Monsoon, Post-Monsoon, Winter) for each year?

| SEASON | OBSERVATION... | AVG(PESTVALUE) |
|--------------|----------------|----------------|
| SUMMER | 1959 | 0.0000 |
| MONSOON | 1959 | 9.1875 |
| WINTER | 1959 | 19.4118 |
| POST-MONSOON | 1959 | 90.3750 |
| SUMMER | 1960 | 0.0000 |
| MONSOON | 1960 | 11.5625 |
| WINTER | 1960 | 42.5882 |
| POST-MONSOON | 1960 | 635.1250 |
| SUMMER | 1961 | 0.0000 |
| MONSOON | 1961 | 0.3750 |
| WINTER | 1961 | 6.7059 |
| POST-MONSOON | 1961 | 75.1250 |
| SUMMER | 1962 | 0.0000 |

- **Question:** How does rainfall (RF) affect average pest value during the summer season?

| RF | AVG(PESTVALUE) |
|------|----------------|
| 0.00 | 1738.8193 |
| 0.10 | 22.1667 |
| 0.20 | 1.8125 |
| 0.30 | 0.0000 |
| 0.40 | 4.5556 |
| 0.50 | 1114.7143 |
| 0.60 | 33.9167 |
| 0.70 | 0.0000 |
| 0.80 | 17.0000 |

- **Question:** How do average maximum temperature (avg_max_temp), average minimum temperature (avg_min_temp), and average pest value (avg_pest_value)

vary across standard weeks throughout the year?

| StandardWeek | avg_max_temp | avg_min_temp | avg_pest_value |
|--------------|--------------|--------------|----------------|
| 1 | 25.873314 | 13.497947 | 61.0235 |
| 2 | 26.968328 | 14.063930 | 44.0323 |
| 3 | 26.771261 | 14.139296 | 43.7654 |
| 4 | 27.274487 | 13.980645 | 48.9619 |
| 5 | 28.714076 | 14.670088 | 88.7947 |
| 6 | 28.299120 | 15.701760 | 151.3226 |
| 7 | 28.817302 | 15.872434 | 310.7537 |
| 8 | 29.863050 | 16.484164 | 263.8358 |
| 9 | 30.635484 | 16.897361 | 502.2698 |
| 10 | 31.501180 | 17.748083 | 907.0413 |
| 11 | 32.071976 | 18.646018 | 1440.1475 |
| 12 | 33.019764 | 19.823009 | 2643.3422 |
| 13 | 33.542773 | 20.135398 | 2437.4661 |
| 14 | 34.149558 | 20.856932 | 2198.2301 |
| 15 | 34.931563 | 21.879351 | 1538.3481 |

- Question: What are the average relative humidity levels (RH1 and RH2) for observations with pest values above the average?

| AVG_RH1 | AVG_RH2 |
|-----------|-----------|
| 86.806607 | 60.075592 |

- Question: How do various weather variables (average maximum temperature, average minimum temperature, average relative humidity, rainfall) and average pest value change across standard weeks throughout the year?

| StandardWeek | avg_max_temp | avg_min_temp | avg_rh1 | avg_rh2 | avg_rf | avg_pest_value |
|--------------|--------------|--------------|-----------|-----------|----------|----------------|
| 1 | 25.873314 | 13.497947 | 85.857185 | 51.032845 | 2.912610 | 61.0235 |
| 2 | 26.968328 | 14.063930 | 86.252199 | 51.110557 | 2.149560 | 44.0323 |
| 3 | 26.771261 | 14.139296 | 86.384751 | 49.229326 | 2.880645 | 43.7654 |
| 4 | 27.274487 | 13.980645 | 85.720528 | 48.079472 | 1.807038 | 48.9619 |
| 5 | 28.714076 | 14.670088 | 84.918475 | 47.434604 | 2.461290 | 88.7947 |
| 6 | 28.299120 | 15.701760 | 84.175953 | 48.501173 | 3.634311 | 151.3226 |
| 7 | 28.817302 | 15.872434 | 84.178299 | 46.922287 | 8.345748 | 310.7537 |

- **Question: Which season (Summer, Monsoon, Post-Monsoon, Winter) has the highest average pest value?**

| Season | avg_pest_value |
|--------------|----------------|
| POST-MONSOON | 1941.3631 |
| SUMMER | 1394.5225 |
| MONSOON | 408.5147 |
| WINTER | 305.1357 |

- **Question: How do average weather variables (maximum temperature, minimum temperature, relative humidity, rainfall) and average pest value vary across different locations?**

| Location | avg_max_temp | avg_min_temp | avg_rh1 | avg_rh2 | avg_rf | avg_pest_value |
|---------------|--------------|--------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------------|
| Cuttack | 32.136976 | 22.008829 | 89.534965 | 56.861713 | 26.946066 | 269.9012 |
| Ludhiana | 29.977188 | 17.436936 | 82.270424 | 49.115119 | 17.785345 | 432.5292 |
| Maruteru | 31.060204 | 22.633993 | 88.669590 | 65.758713 | 17.865375 | 1719.2258 |
| Palampur | 23.764744 | 13.511458 | 59.746474 | 51.331971 | 38.257692 | 3.5232 |
| Raipur | 32.920759 | 20.033432 | 79.215237 | 44.083629 | 19.785404 | 125.3422 |
| Rajendranagar | 32.479906 | 19.930872 | 78.128471 | 43.430565 | 15.576620 | 472.4318 |

- Question: Which pest species has the highest maximum pest value across all states?

| MAX(PESTVALUE) | PESTNAME |
|----------------|------------------|
| 311169 | Greenleafhopper |
| 163162 | Gallmidge |
| 123391 | Brownplanthopper |
| 82360 | Miridbug |
| 51542 | Yellowstemborer |
| 34685 | ZigZagleafhopper |
| 1520 | LeafFolder |
| 649 | Caseworm |
| 87 | LeafBlast |
| 29 | NeckBlast |

- Question (for each location): (Replace [Location Name] with the specific location, like Cuttack, Maruteru, etc.)

Cuttack

| MAX(PESTVALUE) | PESTNAME |
|----------------|------------------|
| 85080 | Greenleafhopper |
| 15108 | Yellowstemborer |
| 2062 | Gallmidge |
| 198 | LeafFolder |
| 19 | Brownplanthopper |

Maruteru

| MAX(PESTVALUE) | PESTNAME |
|----------------|------------------|
| 311169 | Greenleafhopper |
| 163162 | Gallmidge |
| 123391 | Brownplanthopper |
| 82360 | Miridbug |
| 51542 | Yellowstemborer |
| 34685 | ZigZagleafhopper |
| 1520 | LeafFolder |
| 190 | Caseworm |

Raipur

| MAX(PESTVALUE) | PESTNAME |
|----------------|------------------|
| 17574 | Greenleafhopper |
| 4759 | Gallmidge |
| 4098 | Yellowstemborer |
| 649 | Caseworm |
| 277 | Miridbug |
| 193 | Brownplanthopper |
| 31 | LeafFolder |

Palampur

| MAX(PESTVALUE) | PESTNAME |
|----------------|-----------|
| 65 | LeafBlast |
| 6 | NeckBlast |

Rajendranagar

| MAX(PESTVALUE) | PESTNAME |
|----------------|------------------|
| 153200 | Greenleafhopper |
| 55500 | Brownplanthopper |
| 55000 | Gallmidge |
| 16000 | Miridbug |
| 8269 | Yellowstemborer |
| 304 | LeafFolder |
| 87 | LeafBlast |
| 84 | Caseworm |
| 29 | NeckBlast |

- **Question: Is there a relationship between sunshine hours (SSH) and average pest value?**

| SSH ▾ | avg_pest_v... ^ |
|--------|-----------------|
| 127.10 | 602.8571 |
| 111.00 | 173.2857 |
| 13.90 | 0.0000 |
| 13.10 | 0.0000 |
| 13.00 | 0.0000 |
| 12.90 | 0.0000 |
| 12.70 | 0.0000 |
| 12.50 | 0.0000 |
| 12.30 | 0.0000 |

| SSH | avg_pest_v... ^ |
|-------|-----------------|
| 11.80 | 0.0000 |
| 12.20 | 0.0000 |
| 12.30 | 0.0000 |
| 12.50 | 0.0000 |
| 12.70 | 0.0000 |
| 12.90 | 0.0000 |
| 13.00 | 0.0000 |
| 13.10 | 0.0000 |
| 13.90 | 0.0000 |
| 11.70 | 1.0000 |
| 11.60 | 1.3000 |

While the provided data snippet doesn't allow for a definitive conclusion, we can explore the relationship between sunshine hours (SSH) and average pest value further. Incorporating factors like temperature, rainfall, season, and pest species might reveal more nuanced relationships. Also creating a scatter plot with SSH on the x-axis and average pest value on the y-axis can provide a visual indication of any correlation.

- **Question: Which five years have the highest total pest value summed across all standard weeks?**

| ObservationYear | total_pest_value |
|-----------------|------------------|
| 2001 | 328623 |
| 1995 | 200396 |
| 2007 | 178627 |
| 1998 | 164447 |
| 1996 | 162617 |

- **Question: Which five locations have the highest total pest value summed across all observation years?**

| LOCATION | OBSERVATIONYEAR | total_pest_value |
|----------|-----------------|------------------|
| Maruteru | 2001 | 1592359 |
| Maruteru | 1998 | 1136303 |
| Maruteru | 2000 | 975356 |
| Maruteru | 2006 | 954672 |
| Maruteru | 2002 | 757649 |