

# UPI TRANSACTIONS 2024

## Project Title

**Analysis of UPI Transaction Patterns and user Behaviour in Digital Payments(2024)**

## Project Overview

Unified Payments Interface (UPI) has changed the way people in India transfer money to one another by allowing transfers on the go — quick, easy and secure. As a result of its fast adoption, UPI is now being used for a vast array of payments such as for grocery, bills, shopping and travel. Analysis of these transaction patterns is crucial to study the user spending preference, user behavior and system efficiency.

This work is centered around analysis of UPI transaction data using Python (NumPy, Pandas, Matplotlib, Seaborn). The breakdown will cover types of transactions, number of transactions, time-of-day use, success/failure rates, devices of choice and bank trends. The primary goal is to find some key nuggets of information that speak to how digital payments are changing and driving consumers' preferences. Ultimately, the project seeks to present a detailed understanding of UPI usage behavior to support studies on digital finance and data-driven decision-making.

## Domain

**Finance**

## Aim

**To analyse UPI transaction data to determine key user behavior trends, peak period of transaction, fraud occurrence patterns and usage patterns with the aim of providing insights to enable digital payment platforms to improve the experience for users and the efficiency of services**

## Objectives

- To clean and prepare the UPI transaction dataset for analysis
- To explore the data and understand overall transaction patterns
- To identify user behavior trends in digital payments
- To find peak times and days when most transactions occur
- To analyze how users interact with different types of transactions
- To detect and analyze fraudulent transaction patterns(if a fraud flag is present)
- To create visualizations that clearly show important patterns and insights
- To provide useful findings that can help improve digital payment platforms

## Dataset Description

Source : Kaggle(UPI Dataset Generator)

Size : 250,152 Rows and 17 Columns

Features : user ID, Transaction Type, Amount, Date/Time, Status, etc.

## Coding & Implementation Section

### Data Loading and Initial Overview

#### ▲ Import Libraries

```
In [1]: import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
import warnings
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import seaborn as sns
import plotly.express as px
```

#### ▲ Load Dataset

```
In [2]: df = pd.read_csv("upi_transactions_2024.zip", low_memory=False)
```

#### ▲ Dataset Overview

```
In [3]: print("\n◆ Shape of the dataset :", df.shape, "\n" )
print("🌟 " * 50)
print("\n◆ Number of Rows :", df.shape[0], "\n")
print("🌟 " * 50)
print("\n◆ Number of Columns :", df.shape[1], "\n")
print("🌟 " * 50)
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print("\n◆ Data Types :",df.dtypes,"\n")
print("☀ " * 50)
print("\n◆ Dataset Info :",df.info(),"\n")
print("☀ " * 50)
print("\n◆ First 5 Rows :",df.head(),"\n")
print("☀ " * 50)
print("\n◆ Choose a sample row :",df.sample(),"\n")
print("☀ " * 50)
print("\n◆ Statistical Summary :",df.describe(),"\n")
```

◆ Shape of the dataset : (250152, 17)

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◆ Number of Rows : 250152

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◆ Number of Columns : 17

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◆ Data Types : transaction id                      object  
timestamp                      object  
transaction type                object  
merchant\_category              object  
amount (INR)                    object  
transaction\_status              object  
sender\_age\_group                object  
receiver\_age\_group              object  
sender\_state                    object  
sender\_bank                     object  
receiver\_bank                   object  
device\_type                     object  
network\_type                    object  
fraud\_flag                      int64  
hour\_of\_day                     float64  
day\_of\_week                     object  
is\_weekend                      object  
dtype: object

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<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>

RangeIndex: 250152 entries, 0 to 250151

Data columns (total 17 columns):

#	Column	Non-Null Count	Dtype
0	transaction id	250152 non-null	object
1	timestamp	250152 non-null	object
2	transaction type	250151 non-null	object
3	merchant_category	250139 non-null	object
4	amount (INR)	250137 non-null	object
5	transaction_status	250149 non-null	object
6	sender_age_group	250152 non-null	object
7	receiver_age_group	250150 non-null	object
8	sender_state	250150 non-null	object
9	sender_bank	250143 non-null	object
10	receiver_bank	250147 non-null	object
11	device_type	250150 non-null	object
12	network_type	250144 non-null	object
13	fraud_flag	250152 non-null	int64
14	hour_of_day	250148 non-null	float64
15	day_of_week	250150 non-null	object
16	is_weekend	250146 non-null	object

dtypes: float64(1), int64(1), object(15)

memory usage: 32.4+ MB

## ◆ Dataset Info : None

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◆ First 5 Rows :      transaction id                      timestamp transaction type merchant\_c  
category \

0	TXN0000000001	08-10-2024 15:17	P2P	Entertainment
1	TXN0000000002	11-04-2024 06:56	P2M	Grocery
2	TXN0000000003	02-04-2024 13:27	P2P	Grocery
3	TXN0000000004	07-01-2024 10:09	P2P	Fuel
4	TXN0000000005	23-01-2024 19:04	P2P	Shopping

	amount (INR)	transaction_status	sender_age_group	receiver_age_group \
0	868	SUCCESS	26-35	18-25
1	1011	SUCCESS	26-35	26-35
2	477	SUCCESS	26-35	36-45
3	2784	SUCCESS	26-35	26-35
4	990	SUCCESS	26-35	18-25

	sender_state	sender_bank	receiver_bank	device_type	network_type \
0	Delhi	Axis	SBI	Android	4G
1	Uttar Pradesh	ICICI	Axis	iOS	4G
2	Karnataka	Yes Bank	PNB	Android	4G
3	Delhi	ICICI	PNB	Android	5G
4	Delhi	Axis	Yes Bank	iOS	WiFi

	fraud_flag	hour_of_day	day_of_week	is_weekend
0	0	15.0	Tuesday	0
1	0	6.0	Thursday	0
2	0	13.0	Tuesday	0
3	0	10.0	Sunday	1
4	0	19.0	Tuesday	0

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◆ Choose a sample row :      transaction id                      timestamp transaction type  
merchant\_category \

22065	TXN0000022066	07-09-2024 18:57	Bill Payment	Food
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	amount (INR)	transaction_status	sender_age_group	receiver_age_group \
22065	335	SUCCESS	36-45	26-35

	sender_state	sender_bank	receiver_bank	device_type	network_type \
22065	Uttar Pradesh	Axis	IndusInd	Android	4G

	fraud_flag	hour_of_day	day_of_week	is_weekend
22065	0	18.0	Saturday	1

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◆ Statistical Summary :                      fraud\_flag              hour\_of\_day

count	250152.000000	250148.000000
mean	0.002035	14.680633
std	0.045063	5.188191
min	0.000000	0.000000
25%	0.000000	11.000000

50%	0.000000	15.000000
75%	0.000000	19.000000
max	1.000000	23.000000

## Data Pre-processing

## Check Missing Values

```
In [4]: print("\n💎 Missing Values :\n",df.isnull().sum(),"\n")
print("☀️ * 50)
print("\nCount of total Mising Values :\n",df.isnull().sum().sum(),"\n")
```

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◆ Missing Values :
transaction id      0
timestamp           0
transaction type     1
merchant_category   13
amount (INR)        15
transaction_status   3
sender_age_group     0
receiver_age_group   2
sender_state         2
sender_bank          9
receiver_bank        5
device_type          2
network_type         8
fraud_flag           0
hour_of_day          4
day_of_week          2
is_weekend          6
dtype: int64

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Count of total Mising Values :
72
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## ▲ Text Cleaning

```
In [5]: # Remove extra spaces
for col in df.select_dtypes(include="object").columns:
    df[col] = df[col].str.strip()

# proper case
proper_case = [
    "merchant_category", "transaction type", "sender_state", "sender_bank", "recei
    "device_type", "network_type", "day_of_week"]

for col in proper_case:
    df[col] = df[col].str.title()

# make transaction status upper case
df["transaction status"] = df["transaction status"].str.upper()
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In [6]: # spelling correction in merchant category
print(df["merchant_category"].value_counts())
```

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merchant_category
Grocery      49977
Food         37484
Shopping     29899
Fuel         25069
Other        24837
Utilities    22351
Transport    20116
Entertainment 20114
Healthcare   12673
Education    7606
Health Care    4
Grocery       3
Grocery       2
Electricity    1
              1
Utilities      1
Entertainment  1
Name: count, dtype: int64
```

```
In [7]: merchant_categories = {
        "Grocery": "Grocery",
        "Grocery": "Grocery",
        "Electricity": "Utilities",
        "Utilities": "Utilities",
        "Health Care": "Healthcare",
        "Restaurants": "Restaurant",
        "Entertainment": "Entertainment" }

df["merchant_category"] = df["merchant_category"].replace(merchant_categories)
```

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In [8]: # value counts for categorical columns
for col in df.select_dtypes(include="object").columns:
    print("\n", "🌟" * 5, col.title(), "🌟" * 5, "\n")
    print(df[col].value_counts())
```

## Transaction Id

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transaction id
TXN0000249998    2
TXN0000249999    2
TXN0000250000    2
TXN0000000001    1
TXN0000166757    1
..
TXN000083388     1
TXN000083389     1
TXN000083390     1
TXN000083391     1
TXN0000250149    1
Name: count, Length: 250149, dtype: int64
```

## Timestamp

```
timestamp
21-05-2024 16:38    8
27-05-2024 12:11    7
29-03-2024 20:28    7
24-04-2024 17:12    7
26-11-2024 20:46    6
..
03-01-2024 23:25    1
16-01-2024 09:48    1
24-06-2024 17:05    1
27-09-2024 20:32    1
10-06-2024 21:40    1
Name: count, Length: 184002, dtype: int64
```

## Transaction Type

```
transaction type
P2P          112472
P2M          87726
Bill Payment 37392
Recharge     12561
Name: count, dtype: int64
```

## Merchant\_Category

```
merchant_category
Grocery      49982
Food         37484
Shopping     29899
Fuel         25069
Other        24837
Utilities    22353
Transport    20116
Entertainment 20115
Healthcare   12677
Education    7606
1
Name: count, dtype: int64
```

## Amount (Inr)

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amount (INR)
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215	311
203	307
174	302
197	296
227	296

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7695	1
23658	1
10483	1
20523	1
9610	1

Name: count, Length: 10376, dtype: int64

Transaction\_Status

transaction\_status

SUCCESS 237732

FAILED 12417

Name: count, dtype: int64

Sender\_Age\_Group

sender\_age\_group

26-35 87503

36-45 62909

18-25 62376

46-55 24855

56+ 12509

Name: count, dtype: int64

Receiver\_Age\_Group

receiver\_age\_group

26-35 87924

18-25 62630

36-45 62204

46-55 24839

56+ 12553

Name: count, dtype: int64

Sender\_State

sender\_state

Maharashtra 37446

Uttar Pradesh 30135

Karnataka 29780

Tamil Nadu 25392

Delhi 24899

Telangana 22444

Gujarat 20067

Andhra Pradesh 20011

Rajasthan 19993

West Bengal 19983

Name: count, dtype: int64

Sender\_Bank

sender\_bank

Sbi 62733

Hdfc 37534

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Icici      29785
Indusind   25173
Axis       25071
Pnb        24954
Yes Bank   24860
Kotak      20033
Name: count, dtype: int64

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receiver_bank
Sbi         62402
Hdfc        37696
Icici       29977
Indusind    25086
Axis        25026
Yes Bank    25010
Pnb         24809
Kotak       20141
Name: count, dtype: int64

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device_type
Android     187880
Ios         49651
Web         12619
Name: count, dtype: int64

```

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network_type
4G          149880
5G          62590
Wifi        25173
3G          12501
Name: count, dtype: int64

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day_of_week
Monday      36515
Sunday      36021
Wednesday   35722
Tuesday     35582
Friday      35514
Thursday    35450
Saturday    35346
Name: count, dtype: int64

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is_weekend
0          178780
1           71364
2
Name: count, dtype: int64

```

## ▲ Handling Missing Values

```
In [9]: #drop the rows have 2 or more than 2 empties
df.dropna(thresh=2,inplace=True)

#if the merchant category is empty fill with 'Other'
df['merchant_category'] = df['merchant_category'].fillna('Other')

#if day_of_week provided then find the 'is_weekend'
df['is_weekend'] = df['day_of_week'].apply(lambda x: 1 if x in ['Saturday','Sunday'] else 0)

#remove the negative and non numeric values from amount column
df['amount (INR)'] = pd.to_numeric(df['amount (INR)'],errors='coerce')
df = df.dropna(subset=['amount (INR)'])
df = df[df['amount (INR)']>0]

#remove extreme high value and extreme low value
lower = df['amount (INR)'].quantile(0.01)
higher = df['amount (INR)'].quantile(0.99)
df = df[(df['amount (INR)'] >= lower) & (df['amount (INR)'] <= higher)]

df.dropna(inplace=True)

print("\n◆ After Handling of Missing value :\n",df.head(10),"\n")
```

◆ After Handling of Missing value :

	transaction id	timestamp	transaction type	merchant_category \
0	TXN0000000001	08-10-2024 15:17	P2P	Entertainment
1	TXN0000000002	11-04-2024 06:56	P2M	Grocery
2	TXN0000000003	02-04-2024 13:27	P2P	Grocery
3	TXN0000000004	07-01-2024 10:09	P2P	Fuel
4	TXN0000000005	23-01-2024 19:04	P2P	Shopping
5	TXN0000000006	07-10-2024 22:32	P2P	Food
6	TXN0000000007	08-02-2024 10:25	P2P	Other
7	TXN0000000008	27-10-2024 18:47	P2P	Utilities
8	TXN0000000009	21-11-2024 09:39	P2P	Other
9	TXN0000000010	11-11-2024 15:58	P2M	Grocery

	amount (INR)	transaction_status	sender_age_group	receiver_age_group \
0	868.0	SUCCESS	26-35	18-25
1	1011.0	SUCCESS	26-35	26-35
2	477.0	SUCCESS	26-35	36-45
3	2784.0	SUCCESS	26-35	26-35
4	990.0	SUCCESS	26-35	18-25
5	91.0	SUCCESS	36-45	18-25
6	314.0	SUCCESS	36-45	18-25
7	264.0	SUCCESS	46-55	36-45
8	887.0	SUCCESS	46-55	36-45
9	3260.0	SUCCESS	46-55	18-25

	sender_state	sender_bank	receiver_bank	device_type	network_type \
0	Delhi	Axis	Sbi	Android	4G
1	Uttar Pradesh	Icici	Axis	Ios	4G
2	Karnataka	Yes Bank	Pnb	Android	4G
3	Delhi	Icici	Pnb	Android	5G
4	Delhi	Axis	Yes Bank	Ios	Wifi
5	Karnataka	Indusind	Yes Bank	Android	3G
6	Telangana	Hdfc	Indusind	Android	4G
7	Maharashtra	Yes Bank	Sbi	Android	5G
8	Maharashtra	Kotak	Hdfc	Android	4G
9	Delhi	Sbi	Hdfc	Android	4G

	fraud_flag	hour_of_day	day_of_week	is_weekend
0	0	15.0	Tuesday	0
1	0	6.0	Thursday	0
2	0	13.0	Tuesday	0
3	0	10.0	Sunday	1
4	0	19.0	Tuesday	0
5	0	22.0	Monday	0
6	0	10.0	Thursday	0
7	0	18.0	Sunday	1
8	0	9.0	Thursday	0
9	0	15.0	Monday	0

### ▲ Remove Duplicates/Column

```
In [10]: print("\n◆ No.of Duplicate rows :",df.duplicated().sum())
print("🌟" * 50)

#removal of Duplicate rows
df.drop_duplicates(inplace=True)
```

```
print("\n◆ Null Values after cleaning :",df.isnull().sum()
, "\n")
```

◆ No.of Duplicate rows : 3

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```
◆ Null Values after cleaning : transaction id      0
timestamp      0
transaction type      0
merchant_category      0
amount (INR)      0
transaction_status      0
sender_age_group      0
receiver_age_group      0
sender_state      0
sender_bank      0
receiver_bank      0
device_type      0
network_type      0
fraud_flag      0
hour_of_day      0
day_of_week      0
is_weekend      0
dtype: int64
```

### ▲ Correcting Data Types

```
In [11]: df['timestamp'] = pd.to_datetime(df['timestamp'],dayfirst=True,errors="coerce")
df.dropna(subset=['timestamp'],inplace=True)

df['amount (INR)'] = df['amount (INR)'].astype(float)

df['is_weekend'] = df['is_weekend'].astype(int)

print("\n◆ Corrected Data Types :\n",df.dtypes,"\n")
```

```
◆ Corrected Data Types :
transaction id      object
timestamp      datetime64[ns]
transaction type      object
merchant_category      object
amount (INR)      float64
transaction_status      object
sender_age_group      object
receiver_age_group      object
sender_state      object
sender_bank      object
receiver_bank      object
device_type      object
network_type      object
fraud_flag      int64
hour_of_day      float64
day_of_week      object
is_weekend      int32
dtype: object
```

## ▲ Creating Derived Columns

```
In [12]: df['month'] = df['timestamp'].dt.month_name()

#function for new derived column time_of_day
def time_of_day(hour):
    if 0 <= hour < 4:
        return 'Midnight'
    elif 4 <= hour < 8:
        return 'Early Morning'
    elif 8 <= hour < 12:
        return 'Morning'
    elif 12 <= hour < 16:
        return 'Noon'
    elif 16 <= hour < 20:
        return 'Evening'
    else:
        return 'Night'

df['time_of_day'] = df['hour_of_day'].apply(time_of_day)

print("\n◆ New Column and its dta types:\n",df.dtypes,"\n")
```

```
◆ New Column and its dta types:
transaction id          object
timestamp               datetime64[ns]
transaction type        object
merchant_category       object
amount (INR)            float64
transaction_status      object
sender_age_group        object
receiver_age_group      object
sender_state            object
sender_bank             object
receiver_bank           object
device_type             object
network_type            object
fraud_flag              int64
hour_of_day             float64
day_of_week             object
is_weekend              int32
month                   object
time_of_day             object
dtype: object
```

## ▲ Filtering or aggregating data

```
In [13]: #Filtering
# store success and failure separately
df_sucess = df[df["transaction_status"] == "SUCCESS"]
df_failed = df[df["transaction_status"] == "FAILED"]

print("\n◆ Successful Transactions :\n",df_sucess.head(),"\n")
print("🌟" * 50)
print("\n◆ Failed Transactions :\n",df_failed.head(),"\n")
print("🌟" * 50)

#for a specific state
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state_delhi = df[df["sender_state"] == "Delhi"]
print("\n◆ Filter by state Delhi :\n",state_delhi,"\n")
print("☀ " * 50)

#for morning transactions
morning_transactions = df[df["time_of_day"].isin(["Morning"])]
print("\n◆ Filter by Morning transaction :\n",morning_transactions,"\n")
```

## ◆ Successful Transactions :

	transaction id	timestamp	transaction type	merchant_category	\
0	TXN0000000001	2024-10-08 15:17:00	P2P	Entertainment	
1	TXN0000000002	2024-04-11 06:56:00	P2M	Grocery	
2	TXN0000000003	2024-04-02 13:27:00	P2P	Grocery	
3	TXN0000000004	2024-01-07 10:09:00	P2P	Fuel	
4	TXN0000000005	2024-01-23 19:04:00	P2P	Shopping	

	amount (INR)	transaction_status	sender_age_group	receiver_age_group	\
0	868.0	SUCCESS	26-35	18-25	
1	1011.0	SUCCESS	26-35	26-35	
2	477.0	SUCCESS	26-35	36-45	
3	2784.0	SUCCESS	26-35	26-35	
4	990.0	SUCCESS	26-35	18-25	

	sender_state	sender_bank	receiver_bank	device_type	network_type	\
0	Delhi	Axis	Sbi	Android	4G	
1	Uttar Pradesh	Icici	Axis	Ios	4G	
2	Karnataka	Yes Bank	Pnb	Android	4G	
3	Delhi	Icici	Pnb	Android	5G	
4	Delhi	Axis	Yes Bank	Ios	Wifi	

	fraud_flag	hour_of_day	day_of_week	is_weekend	month	time_of_day
0	0	15.0	Tuesday	0	October	Noon
1	0	6.0	Thursday	0	April	Early Morning
2	0	13.0	Tuesday	0	April	Noon
3	0	10.0	Sunday	1	January	Morning
4	0	19.0	Tuesday	0	January	Evening

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## ◆ Failed Transactions :

	transaction id	timestamp	transaction type	merchant_category	\
60	TXN0000000061	2024-09-11 20:20:00	P2P	Shopping	
67	TXN0000000068	2024-08-14 18:30:00	P2M	Shopping	
168	TXN0000000169	2024-07-20 20:07:00	P2M	Food	
181	TXN0000000182	2024-12-06 15:39:00	P2P	Grocery	
196	TXN0000000197	2024-03-23 21:20:00	P2P	Grocery	

	amount (INR)	transaction_status	sender_age_group	receiver_age_group	\
60	159.0	FAILED	56+	36-45	
67	221.0	FAILED	46-55	26-35	
168	232.0	FAILED	26-35	26-35	
181	2241.0	FAILED	26-35	18-25	
196	1490.0	FAILED	36-45	26-35	

	sender_state	sender_bank	receiver_bank	device_type	network_type	\
60	Tamil Nadu	Sbi	Pnb	Android	5G	
67	Delhi	Hdfc	Indusind	Ios	5G	
168	Andhra Pradesh	Axis	Sbi	Ios	Wifi	
181	Tamil Nadu	Sbi	Icici	Android	5G	
196	Maharashtra	Sbi	Icici	Android	4G	

	fraud_flag	hour_of_day	day_of_week	is_weekend	month	time_of_day
60	0	20.0	Wednesday	0	September	Night
67	0	18.0	Wednesday	0	August	Evening
168	0	20.0	Saturday	1	July	Night
181	0	15.0	Friday	0	December	Noon
196	0	21.0	Saturday	1	March	Night





◆ Filter by state Delhi :

	transaction id	timestamp	transaction type	merchant_category	\
0	TXN0000000001	2024-10-08 15:17:00	P2P	Entertainment	
3	TXN0000000004	2024-01-07 10:09:00	P2P	Fuel	
4	TXN0000000005	2024-01-23 19:04:00	P2P	Shopping	
9	TXN0000000010	2024-11-11 15:58:00	P2M	Grocery	
16	TXN0000000017	2024-01-25 07:27:00	P2P	Food	
...	...	...	...	...	...
250117	TXN0000250115	2024-07-05 21:00:00	P2M	Shopping	
250127	TXN0000250125	2024-05-22 11:00:00	P2M	Healthcare	
250134	TXN0000250132	2024-05-28 08:45:00	P2M	Food	
250147	TXN0000250145	2024-06-07 09:20:00	P2P	Transport	
250148	TXN0000250146	2024-06-08 12:05:00	Bill Payment	Fuel	

	amount (INR)	transaction_status	sender_age_group	receiver_age_group	\
0	868.0	SUCCESS	26-35	18-25	
3	2784.0	SUCCESS	26-35	26-35	
4	990.0	SUCCESS	26-35	18-25	
9	3260.0	SUCCESS	46-55	18-25	
16	171.0	SUCCESS	46-55	18-25	
...	...	...	...	...	...
250117	750.0	SUCCESS	26-35	36-45	
250127	1800.0	SUCCESS	26-35	36-45	
250134	150.0	SUCCESS	26-35	26-35	
250147	700.0	SUCCESS	26-35	36-45	
250148	1000.0	SUCCESS	46-55	26-35	

	sender_state	sender_bank	receiver_bank	device_type	network_type	\
0	Delhi	Axis	Sbi	Android	4G	
3	Delhi	Icici	Pnb	Android	5G	
4	Delhi	Axis	Yes Bank	Ios	Wifi	
9	Delhi	Sbi	Hdfc	Android	4G	
16	Delhi	Hdfc	Sbi	Android	5G	
...	...	...	...	...	...	...
250117	Delhi	Sbi	Hdfc	Android	5G	
250127	Delhi	Hdfc	Icici	Android	4G	
250134	Delhi	Hdfc	Icici	Android	4G	
250147	Delhi	Hdfc	Hdfc	Ios	4G	
250148	Delhi	Pnb	Icici	Android	4G	

	fraud_flag	hour_of_day	day_of_week	is_weekend	month	\
0	0	15.0	Tuesday	0	October	
3	0	10.0	Sunday	1	January	
4	0	19.0	Tuesday	0	January	
9	0	15.0	Monday	0	November	
16	0	7.0	Thursday	0	January	
...	...	...	...	...	...	...
250117	0	21.0	Friday	0	July	
250127	0	11.0	Wednesday	0	May	
250134	0	8.0	Tuesday	0	May	
250147	0	9.0	Friday	0	June	
250148	0	12.0	Saturday	1	June	

	time_of_day
0	Noon
3	Morning

4 Evening  
9 Noon  
16 Early Morning  
...  
250117 Night  
250127 Morning  
250134 Morning  
250147 Morning  
250148 Noon

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◆ Filter by Morning transaction :

	transaction id	timestamp	transaction type	merchant_category \
3	TXN0000000004	2024-01-07 10:09:00	P2P	Fuel
6	TXN0000000007	2024-02-08 10:25:00	P2P	Other
8	TXN0000000009	2024-11-21 09:39:00	P2P	Other
11	TXN0000000012	2024-12-24 10:44:00	P2M	Other
20	TXN0000000021	2024-05-19 10:41:00	Bill Payment	Food
...	...	...	...	...
250134	TXN0000250132	2024-05-28 08:45:00	P2M	Food
250138	TXN0000250136	2024-05-31 09:00:00	Bill Payment	Utilities
250142	TXN0000250140	2024-06-03 11:45:00	P2M	Grocery
250147	TXN0000250145	2024-06-07 09:20:00	P2P	Transport
250150	TXN0000250148	2024-06-09 10:00:00	P2M	Shopping

	amount (INR)	transaction_status	sender_age_group	receiver_age_group \
3	2784.0	SUCCESS	26-35	26-35
6	314.0	SUCCESS	36-45	18-25
8	887.0	SUCCESS	46-55	36-45
11	518.0	SUCCESS	26-35	18-25
20	1341.0	SUCCESS	36-45	26-35
...	...	...	...	...
250134	150.0	SUCCESS	26-35	26-35
250138	950.0	FAILED	18-25	26-35
250142	200.0	SUCCESS	26-35	46-55
250147	700.0	SUCCESS	26-35	36-45
250150	500.0	FAILED	26-35	36-45

	sender_state	sender_bank	receiver_bank	device_type	network_type \
3	Delhi	Icici	Pnb	Android	5G
6	Telangana	Hdfc	Indusind	Android	4G
8	Maharashtra	Kotak	Hdfc	Android	4G
11	Gujarat	Yes Bank	Sbi	Android	4G
20	Karnataka	Sbi	Icici	Android	Wifi
...	...	...	...	...	...
250134	Delhi	Hdfc	Icici	Android	4G
250138	Gujarat	Sbi	Icici	Android	4G
250142	Karnataka	Hdfc	Icici	Android	Wifi
250147	Delhi	Hdfc	Hdfc	Ios	4G
250150	Tamil Nadu	Sbi	Axis	Android	3G

	fraud_flag	hour_of_day	day_of_week	is_weekend	month	time_of_day
3	0	10.0	Sunday	1	January	Morning
6	0	10.0	Thursday	0	February	Morning
8	0	9.0	Thursday	0	November	Morning
11	0	10.0	Tuesday	0	December	Morning

20	0	10.0	Sunday	1	May	Morning
...	...	...	...	...	...	...
250134	0	8.0	Tuesday	0	May	Morning
250138	1	9.0	Friday	0	May	Morning
250142	0	11.0	Monday	0	June	Morning
250147	0	9.0	Friday	0	June	Morning
250150	1	10.0	Sunday	1	June	Morning

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```
In [14]: #Aggregations
#Total transactionamount per merchant category
merchant_summary = df.groupby("merchant_category")["amount (INR)"].sum()
print("\n◆ Total transactionamount per merchant category :\n",merchant_summary)
print("🌟" * 50)

#Count the transactions per day of week
day_summary = df.groupby("day_of_week")["transaction id"].count()
print("\n◆ Count the transactions per day of week :\n",day_summary,"\n")
print("🌟" * 50)

#Average transaction amount per sender bank
bank_avg = df.groupby("sender_bank")["amount (INR)"].mean()
print("\n◆ Average transaction amount per sender bank :\n",bank_avg,"\n")
print("🌟" * 50)

# Transaction count by network type and device
network_summary = df.groupby(["network_type", "device_type"])[["transaction id"]].count()
print("\n◆ Transaction count by network type and device :\n",network_summary,"\n")
print("🌟" * 50)

#monthly trend of total transaction value
monthly_summary = df.groupby("month")["amount (INR)"].sum()
print("\n◆ monthly trend of total transaction value :\n",monthly_summary,"\n")
print("🌟" * 50)
```

## ◆ Total transaction amount per merchant category :

merchant_category	
Education	22651009.75
Entertainment	8310253.00
Food	19893984.50
Fuel	38984925.00
Grocery	58270672.00
Healthcare	6881109.00
Other	20962610.75
Shopping	66881846.05
Transport	6135307.00
Utilities	48225993.00

Name: amount (INR), dtype: float64

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## ◆ Count the transactions per day of week :

day_of_week	
Friday	34826
Monday	35731
Saturday	34624
Sunday	35320
Thursday	34716
Tuesday	34871
Wednesday	35001

Name: transaction id, dtype: int64

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## ◆ Average transaction amount per sender bank :

sender_bank	
Axis	1203.464742
Hdfc	1216.162294
Icici	1210.855470
Indusind	1199.768660
Kotak	1209.173017
Pnb	1204.439180
Sbi	1220.994061
Yes Bank	1221.393023

Name: amount (INR), dtype: float64

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## ◆ Transaction count by network type and device :

network_type	device_type	
3G	Android	9264
	Ios	2337
	Web	624
4G	Android	110248
	Ios	29299
	Web	7363
5G	Android	46097
	Ios	12111
	Web	3113
Wifi	Android	18474
	Ios	4890
	Web	1269

Name: transaction id, dtype: int64



◆ monthly trend of total transaction value :

month	
April	24460997.50
August	25580870.75
December	24626826.00
February	23679946.75
January	24894311.25
July	25293026.75
June	24501783.50
March	25073327.75
May	25327349.55
November	24172881.00
October	25252578.00
September	24333811.25
Name: amount (INR), dtype: float64	



```
In [15]: #df.to_csv("upi_transactions_c.csv",index=False)
```

## Exploratory Data Analysis(EDA)

### ▲ Descriptive Statistics

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In [16]: #Statistical summary of Numerical columns
df.describe().T
```

Out[16]:

	count	mean	min	25%	50%	75%	max
timestamp	245089	2024-07-01 15:12:42.165662208	2024-01-01 00:05:00	2024-04-01 15:09:00	2024-07-01 13:22:00	2024-09-30 17:28:00	2024-12-30 23:55:00
amount (INR)	245089.0	1212.611378	48.0	293.0	629.0	1563.0	9012.0
fraud_flag	245089.0	0.001946	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.0
hour_of_day	245089.0	14.679521	0.0	11.0	15.0	19.0	23.0
is_weekend	245089.0	0.285382	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.0	1.0



```
In [17]: #Statistical summary of all columns
df.describe(include='object').T
```

Out[17]:

	count	unique	top	freq
<b>transaction id</b>	245089	245089	TXN0000000001	1
<b>transaction type</b>	245089	4	P2P	110224
<b>merchant_category</b>	245089	10	Grocery	49961
<b>transaction_status</b>	245089	2	SUCCESS	232971
<b>sender_age_group</b>	245089	5	26-35	85827
<b>receiver_age_group</b>	245089	5	26-35	86188
<b>sender_state</b>	245089	10	Maharashtra	36714
<b>sender_bank</b>	245089	8	Sbi	61453
<b>receiver_bank</b>	245089	8	Sbi	61126
<b>device_type</b>	245089	3	Android	184083
<b>network_type</b>	245089	4	4G	146910
<b>day_of_week</b>	245089	7	Monday	35731
<b>month</b>	245089	12	May	20939
<b>time_of_day</b>	245089	6	Evening	72158

### ▲ Unique Value Counts

```
In [18]: print("\n◆ Unique Value in Each Columns :\n")

for col in df.columns:
    print(col,":",df[col].nunique(),"Unique Values\n")
```

### ◆ Unique Value in Each Columns :

transaction id : 245089 Unique Values

timestamp : 181308 Unique Values

transaction type : 4 Unique Values

merchant\_category : 10 Unique Values

amount (INR) : 8239 Unique Values

transaction\_status : 2 Unique Values

sender\_age\_group : 5 Unique Values

receiver\_age\_group : 5 Unique Values

sender\_state : 10 Unique Values

sender\_bank : 8 Unique Values

receiver\_bank : 8 Unique Values

device\_type : 3 Unique Values

network\_type : 4 Unique Values

fraud\_flag : 2 Unique Values

hour\_of\_day : 24 Unique Values

day\_of\_week : 7 Unique Values

is\_weekend : 2 Unique Values

month : 12 Unique Values

time\_of\_day : 6 Unique Values

### ▲ Univariate Analysis

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In [19]: #Categorical Columns

sns.set_style("whitegrid")

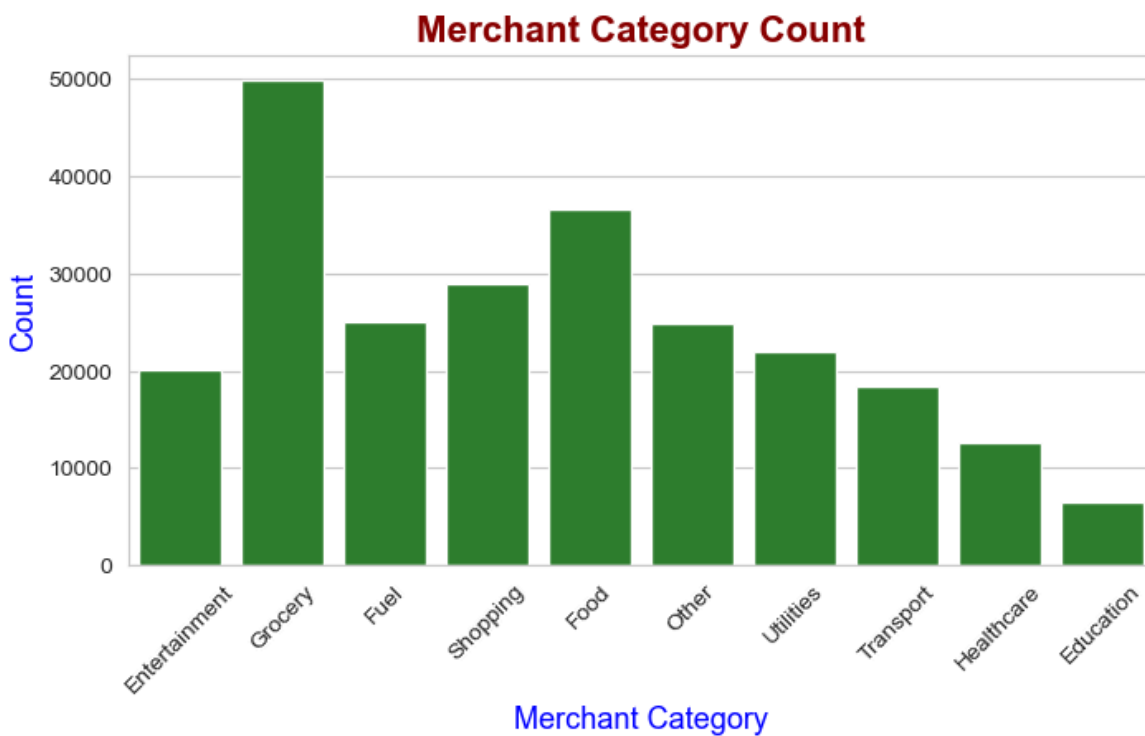
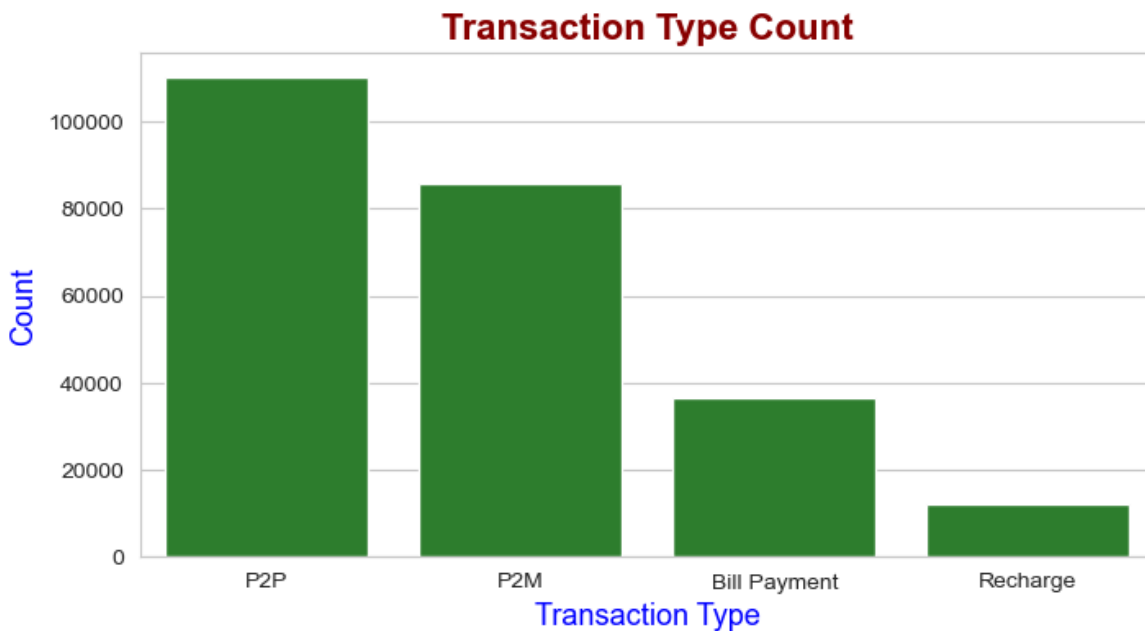
categorical_cols = [
    "transaction type", "merchant_category", "transaction_status",
    "sender_age_group", "receiver_age_group", "sender_state", "receiver_bank",
    "device_type", "network_type", "day_of_week", "month", "time_of_day" ]

for col in categorical_cols:
    plt.figure(figsize=(8,4))
    sns.countplot(x=col, data=df, color="#228B22")
    plt.title(col.replace("_", " ").title()+" Count", color="darkred", fontsize=13)
    plt.xlabel(col.replace("_", " ").title(), color="blue", fontsize=13)
    plt.ylabel("Count", color="blue", fontsize=13)
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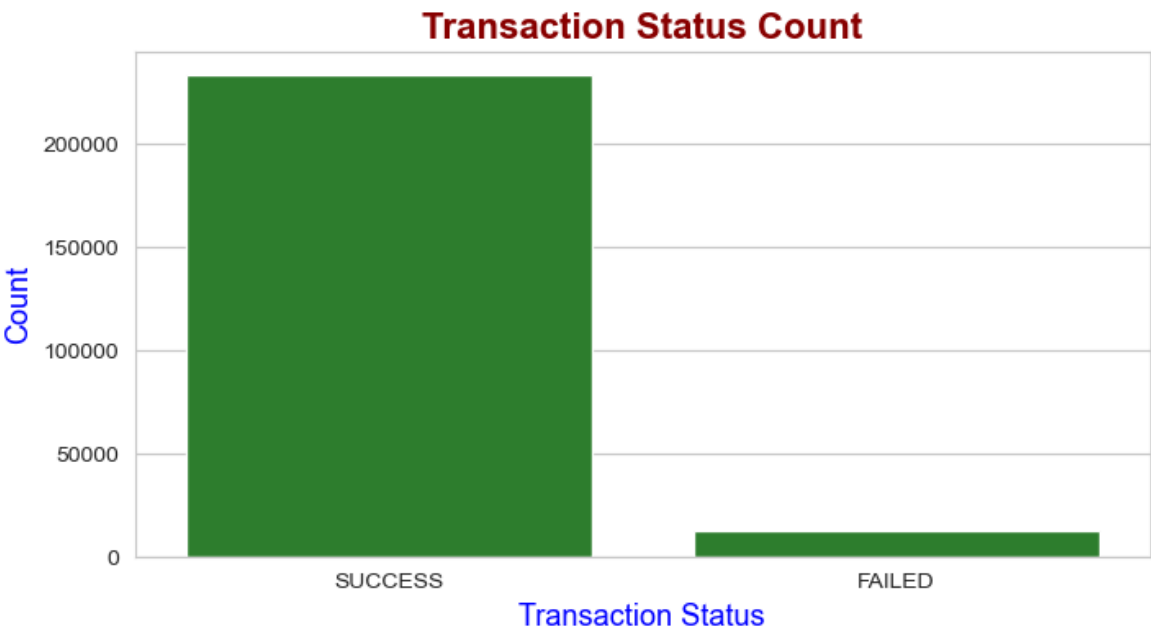
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print("☀️" * 50)

if df[col].nunique() > 5:
    plt.xticks(rotation=45)

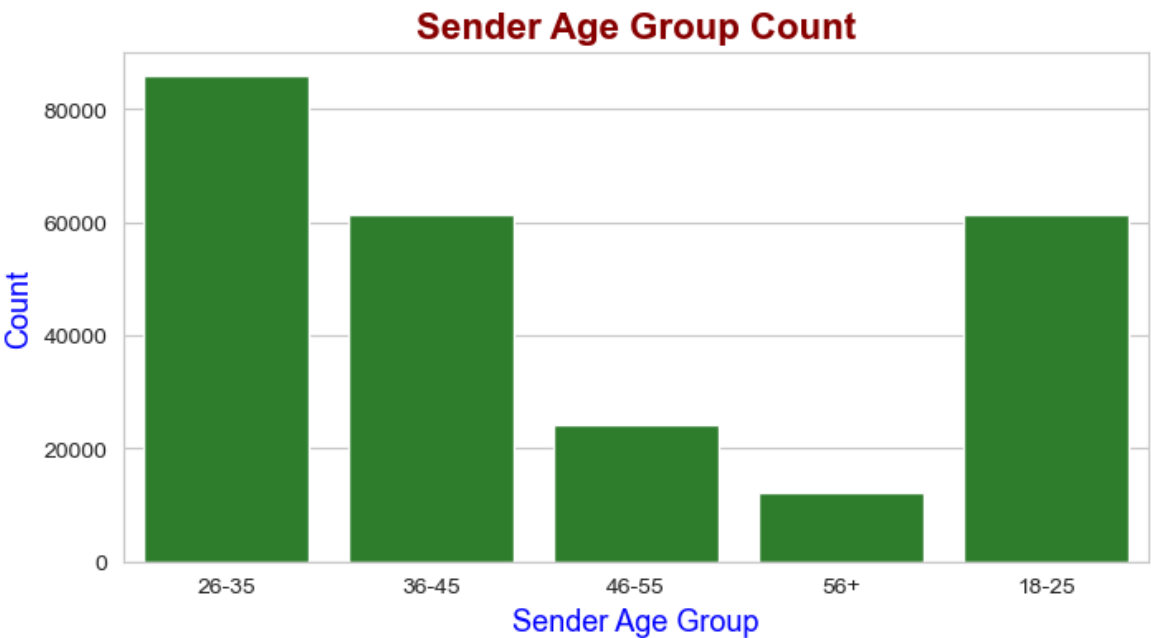
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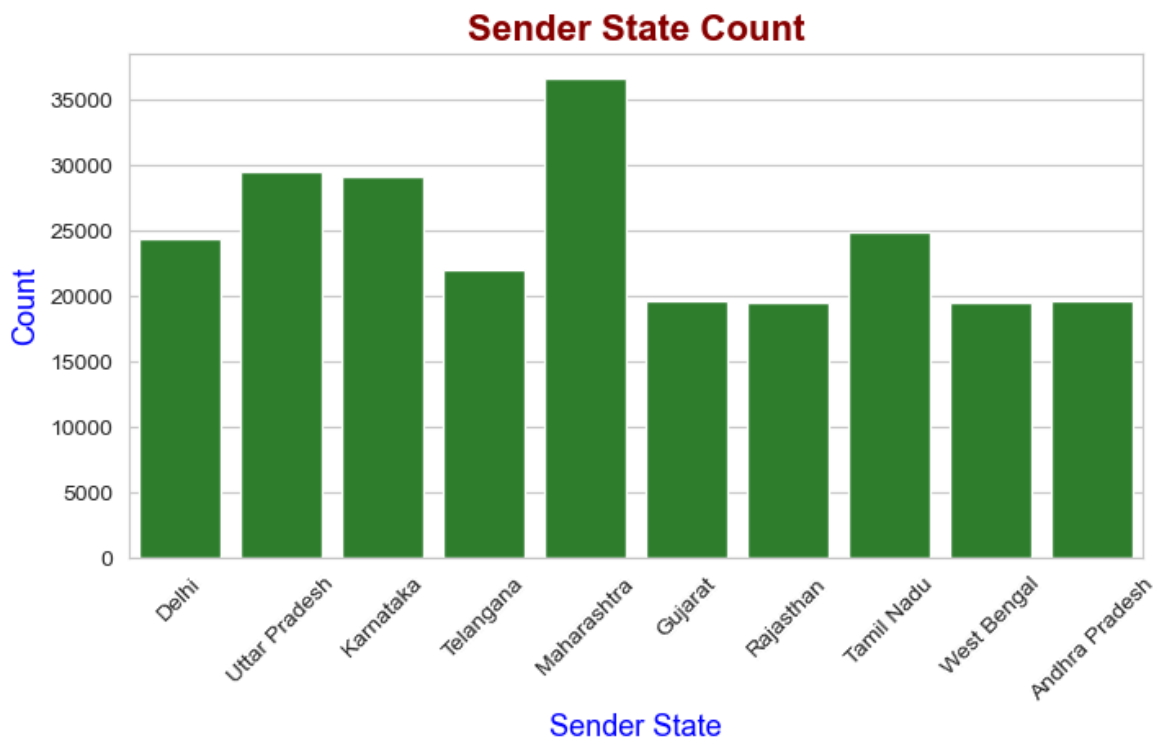
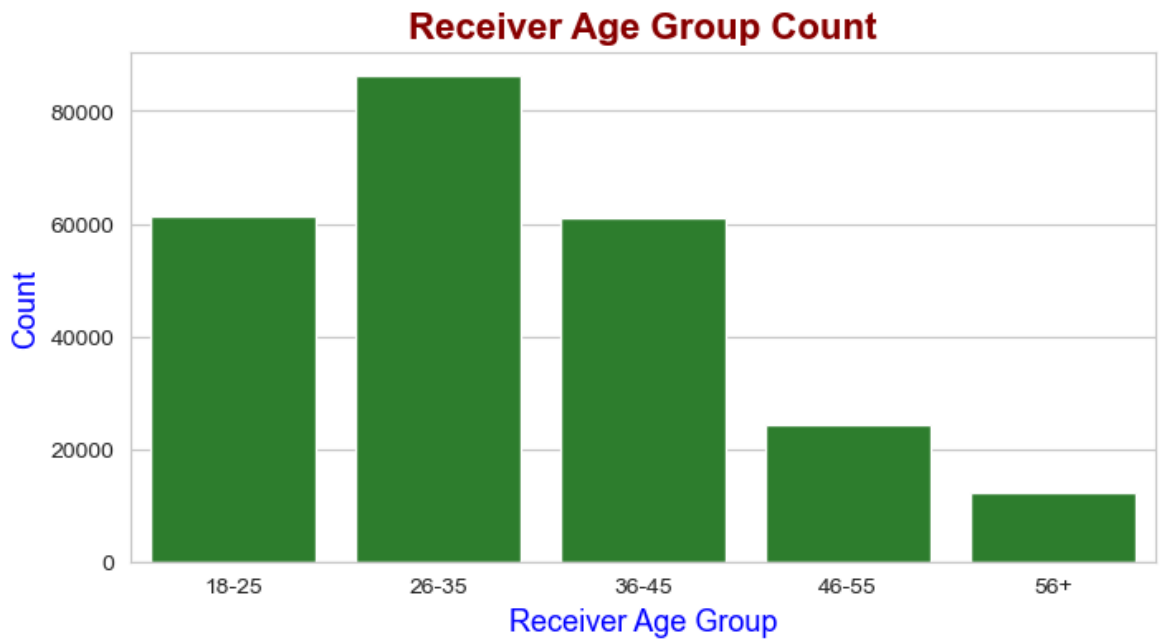


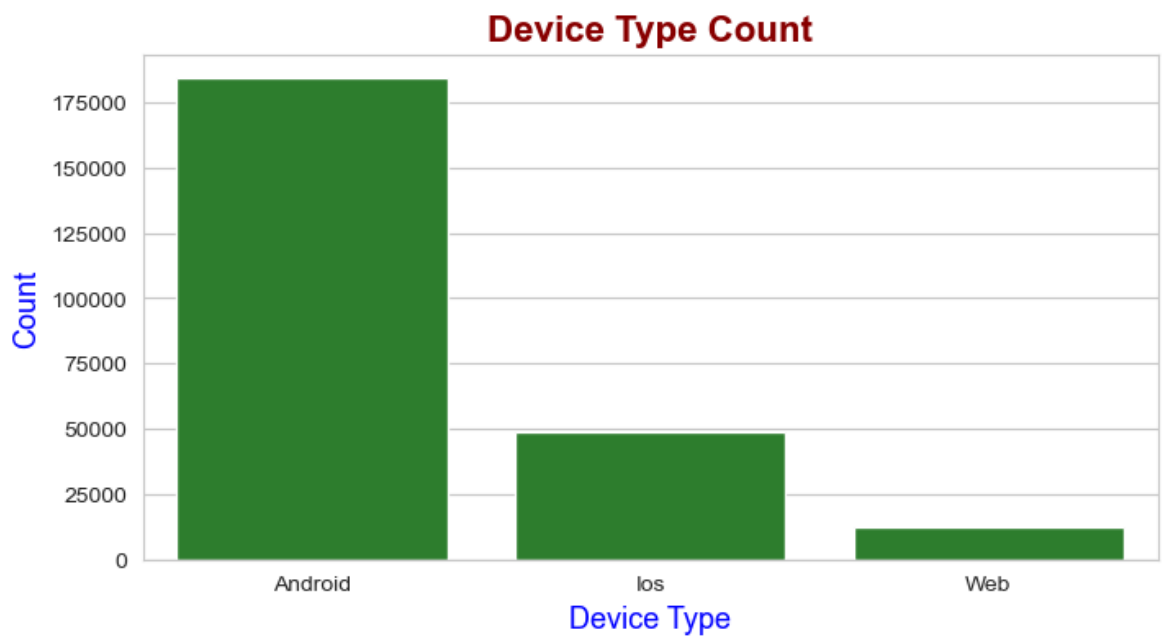
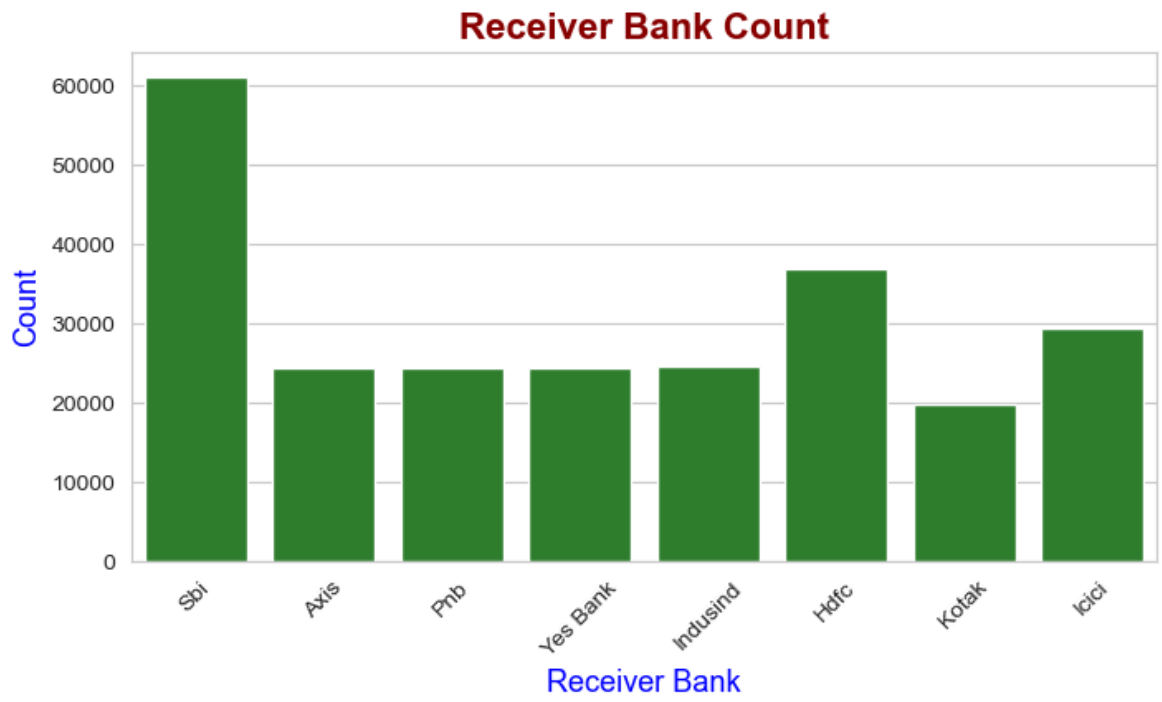


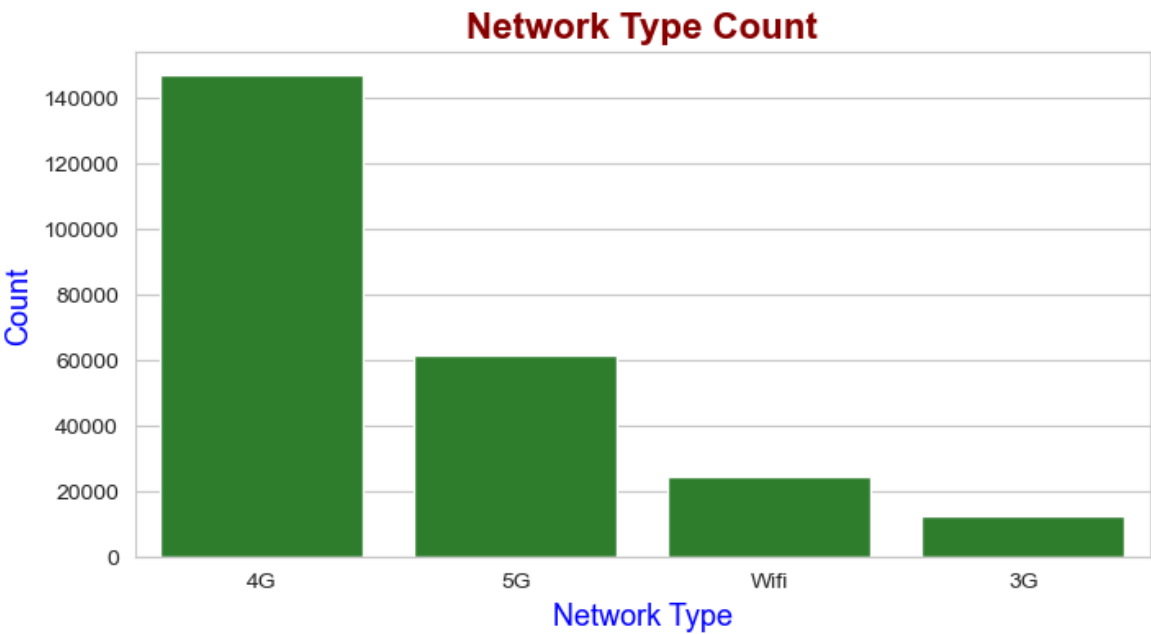
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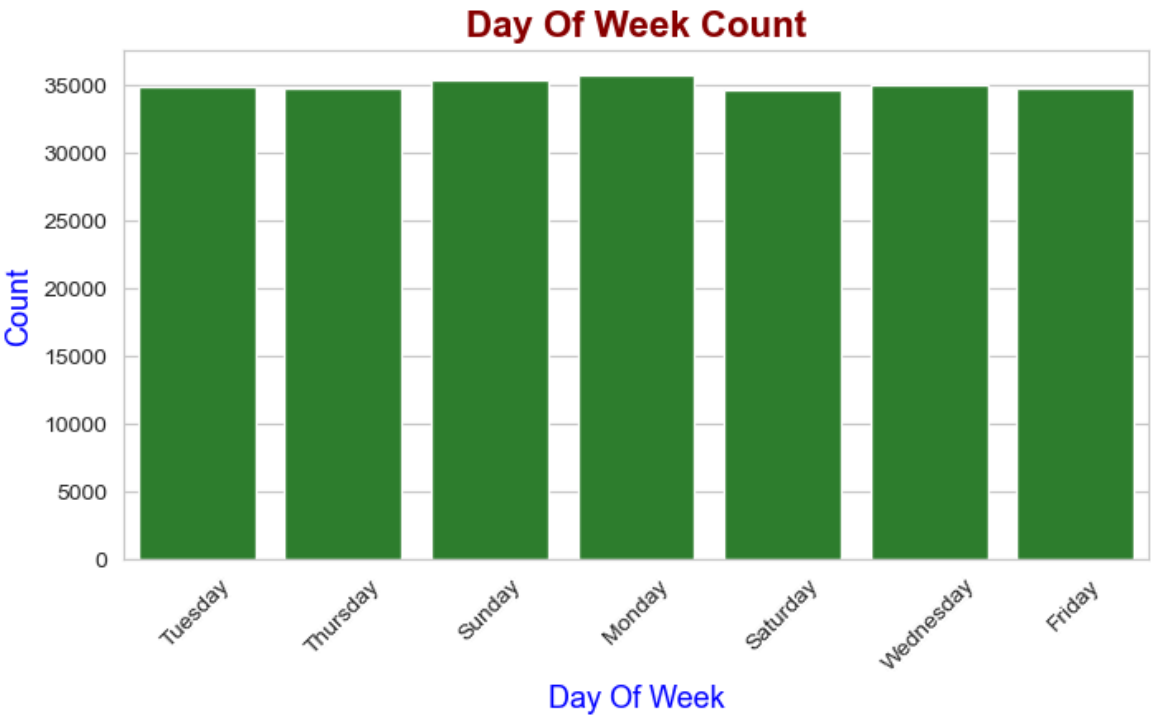
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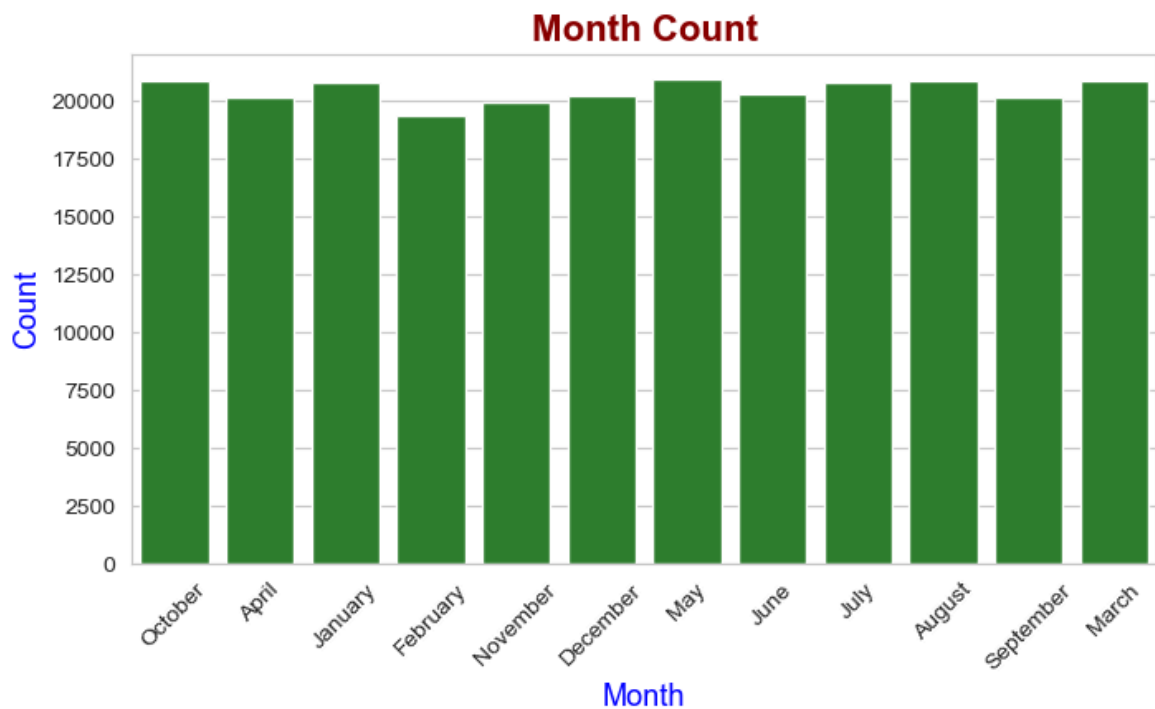




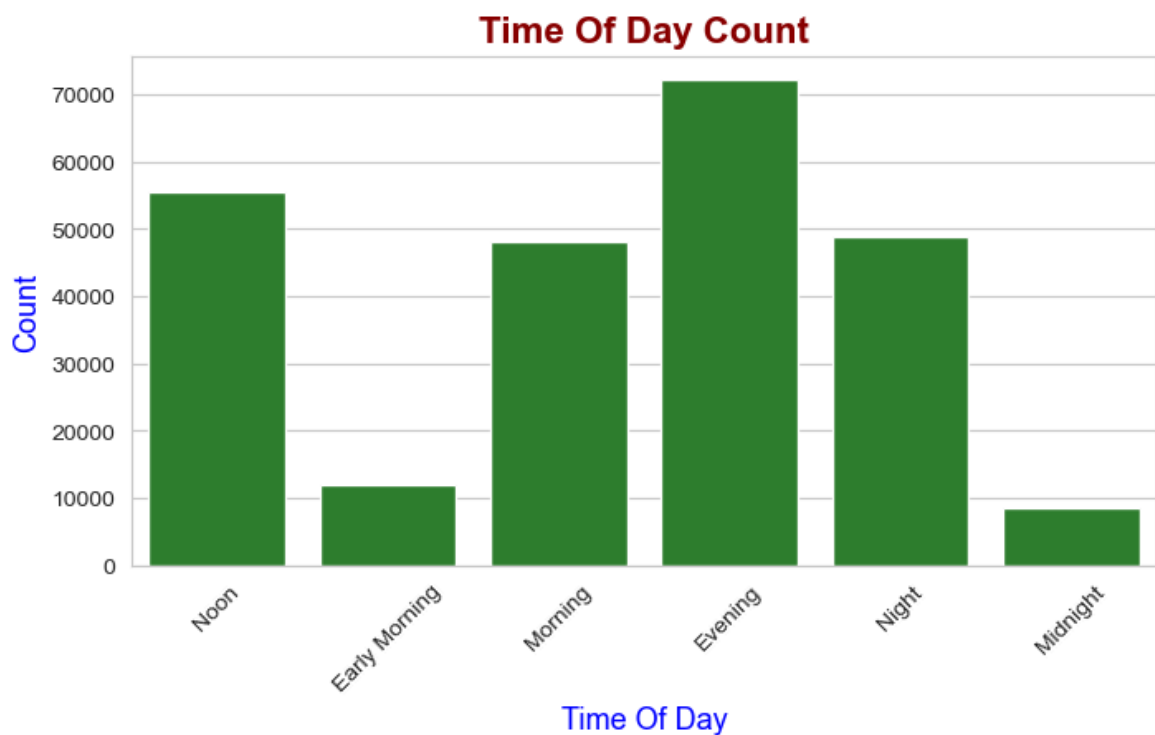
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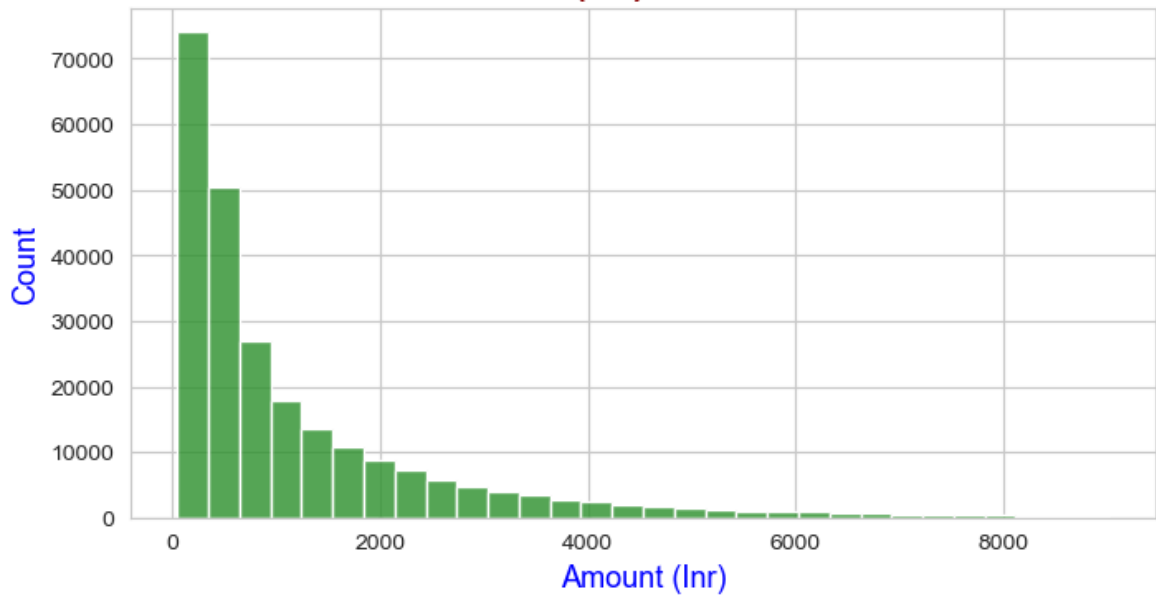
In [20]: # Numerical Columns
numerical_cols = ["amount (INR)", "hour_of_day"]

for col in numerical_cols:
    plt.figure(figsize=(8,4))
    sns.histplot(df[col], color="#228B22", bins=30, kde=False)
    plt.title(col.replace("_", " ").title() + " Distribution", color="darkred",
    plt.xlabel(col.replace("_", " ").title(), color="blue", fontsize=13)
    plt.ylabel("Count", color="blue", fontsize=13)
    print("🌟" * 50)

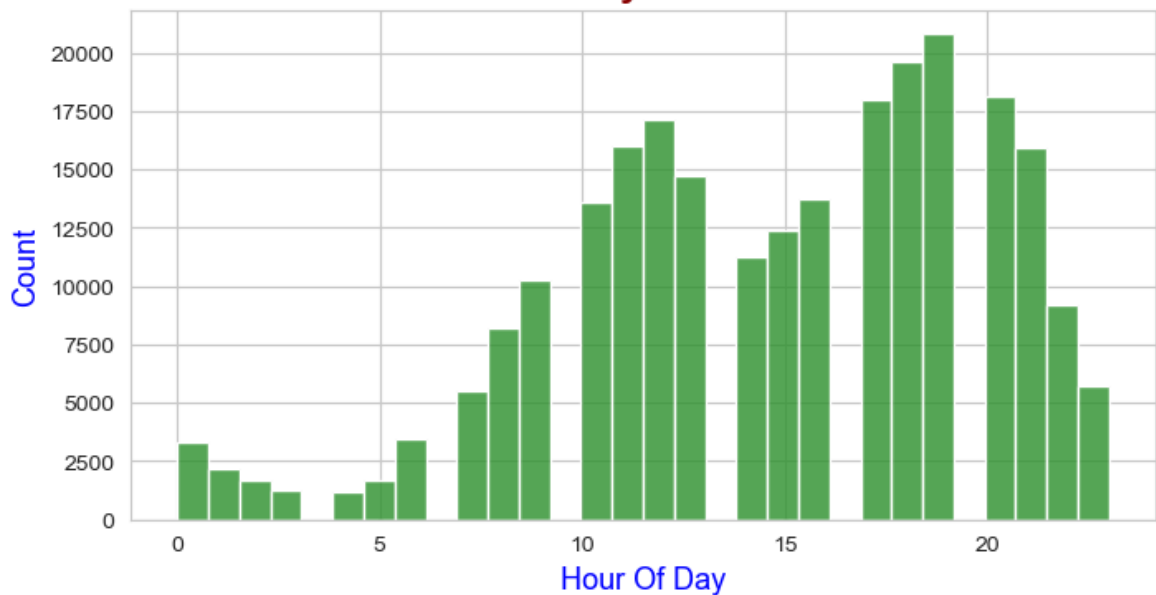
    plt.show()
  
```



### Amount (Inr) Distribution



### Hour Of Day Distribution



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In [21]: #Numerical binary values
binary_cols = ["fraud_flag", "is_weekend"]

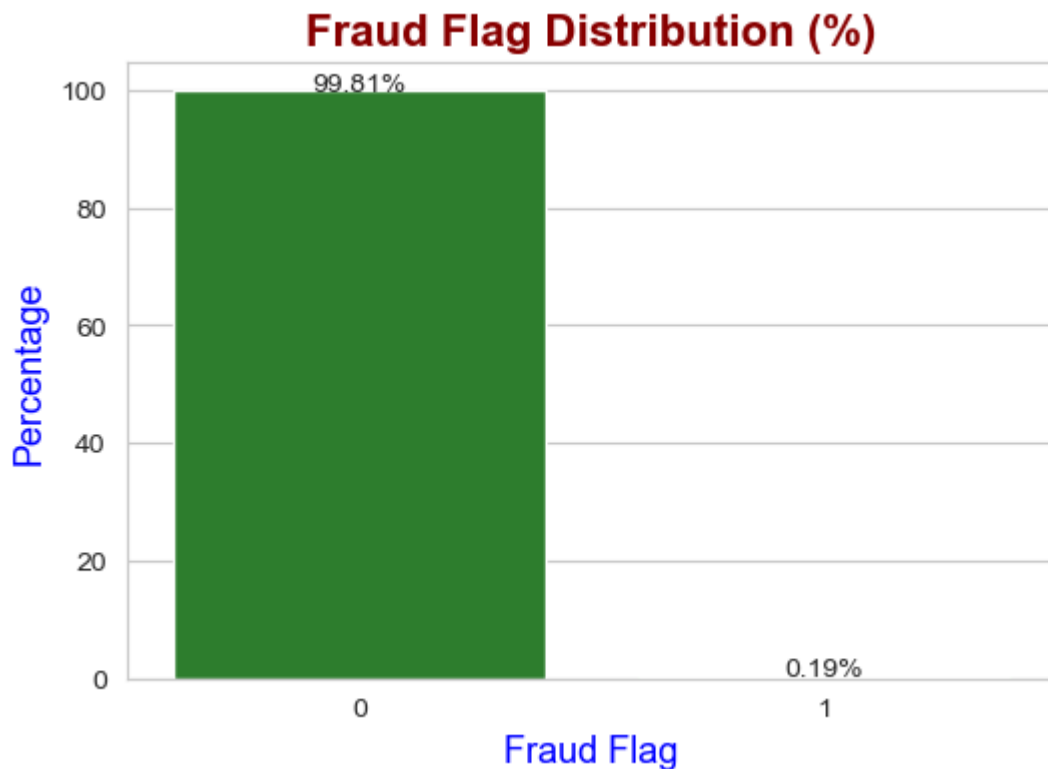
for col in binary_cols:
    plt.figure(figsize=(6,4))

    percent = df[col].value_counts(normalize=True) * 100

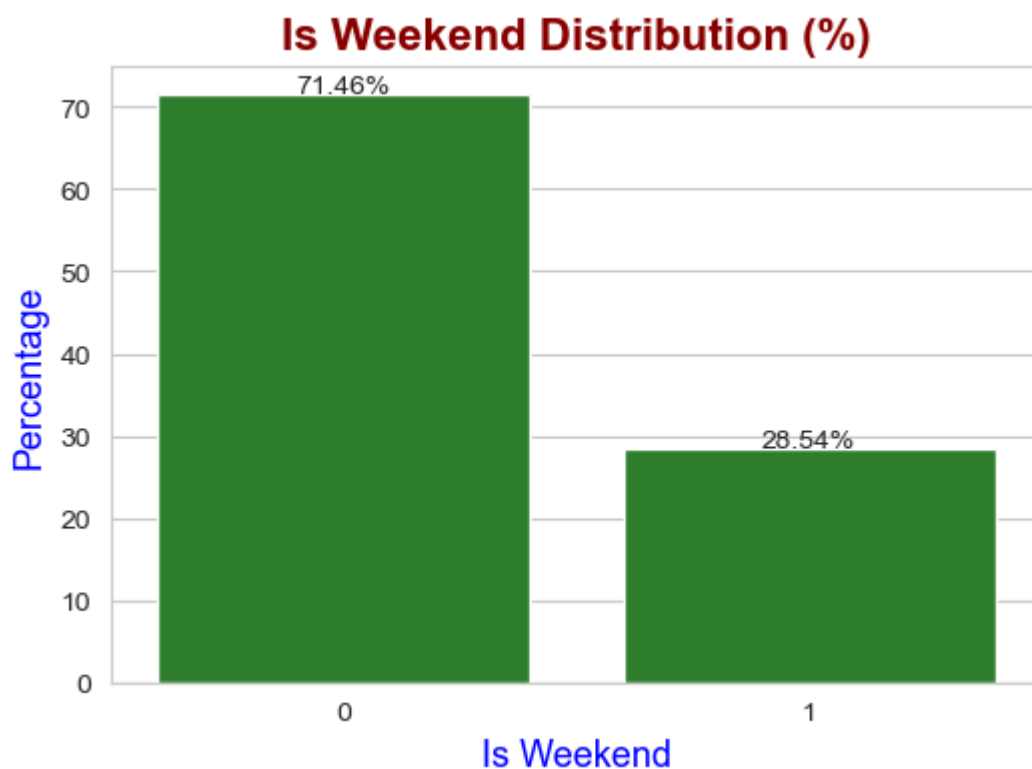
    sns.barplot(x=percent.index, y=percent.values, color="#228B22")
    plt.title(col.replace("_", " ").title() + " Distribution (%)", color="darkred")
    plt.xlabel(col.replace("_", " ").title(), color="blue", fontsize=13)
    plt.ylabel("Percentage", color="blue", fontsize=13)

    for i, val in enumerate(percent.values):
        plt.text(i, val + 0.2, "{0:.2f}%".format(val), ha='center')
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plt.show()  
print("🌟" * 50)
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#### ▲ Bivariate Analysis

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In [22]: #Transaction Type vs Amount  
mean_amount = df.groupby("transaction type")["amount (INR)"].mean()
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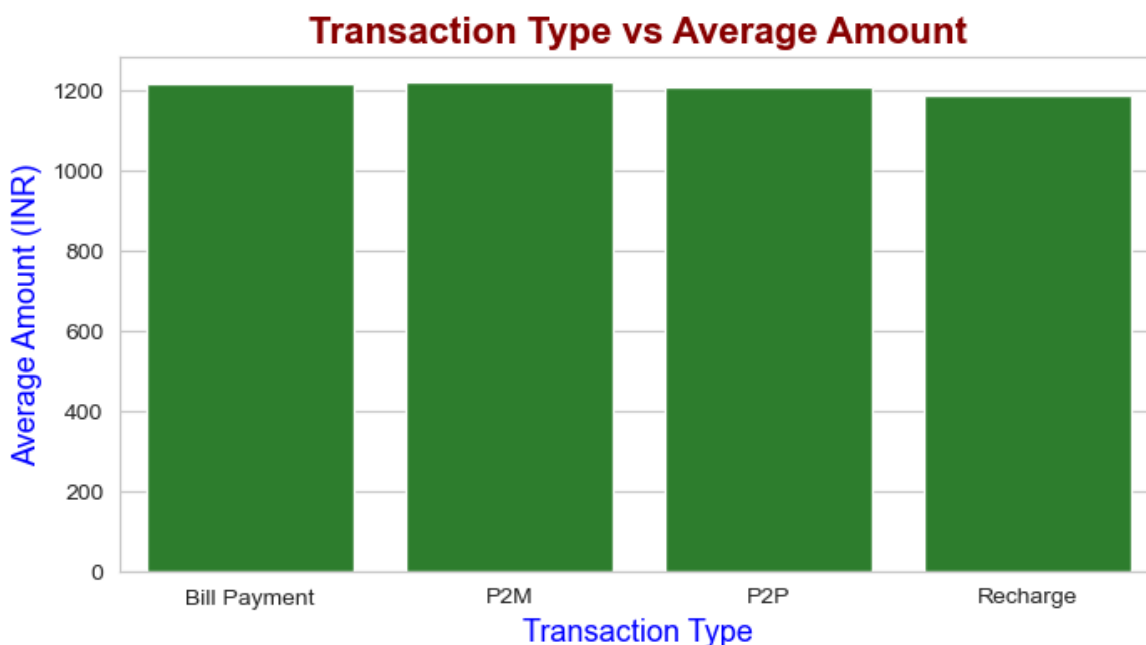
```
plt.figure(figsize=(8,4))
sns.barplot(x=mean_amount.index, y=mean_amount.values, color="#228B22")
plt.title("Transaction Type vs Average Amount", color="darkred", fontsize=16, fontweight="bold")
plt.xlabel("Transaction Type", color="blue", fontsize=13)
plt.ylabel("Average Amount (INR)", color="blue", fontsize=13)
plt.show()
print("☀️ " * 50)

#Merchant Category vs Amount
mean_merchant = df.groupby("merchant_category")["amount (INR)"].mean()

plt.figure(figsize=(10,4))
sns.barplot(x=mean_merchant.index, y=mean_merchant.values, color="#228B22")
plt.title("Merchant Category vs Average Amount", color="darkred", fontsize=16, fontweight="bold")
plt.xlabel("Merchant Category", color="#8B0000", fontsize=13)
plt.ylabel("Average Amount (INR)", color="#00008B", fontsize=13)
plt.xticks(rotation=45)
plt.show()
print("☀️ " * 50)

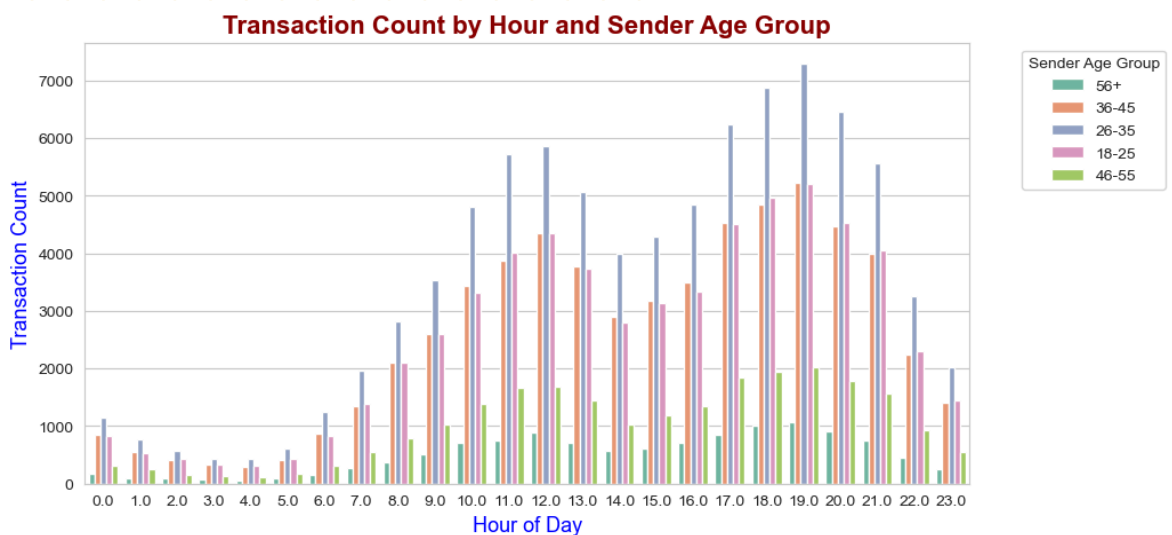
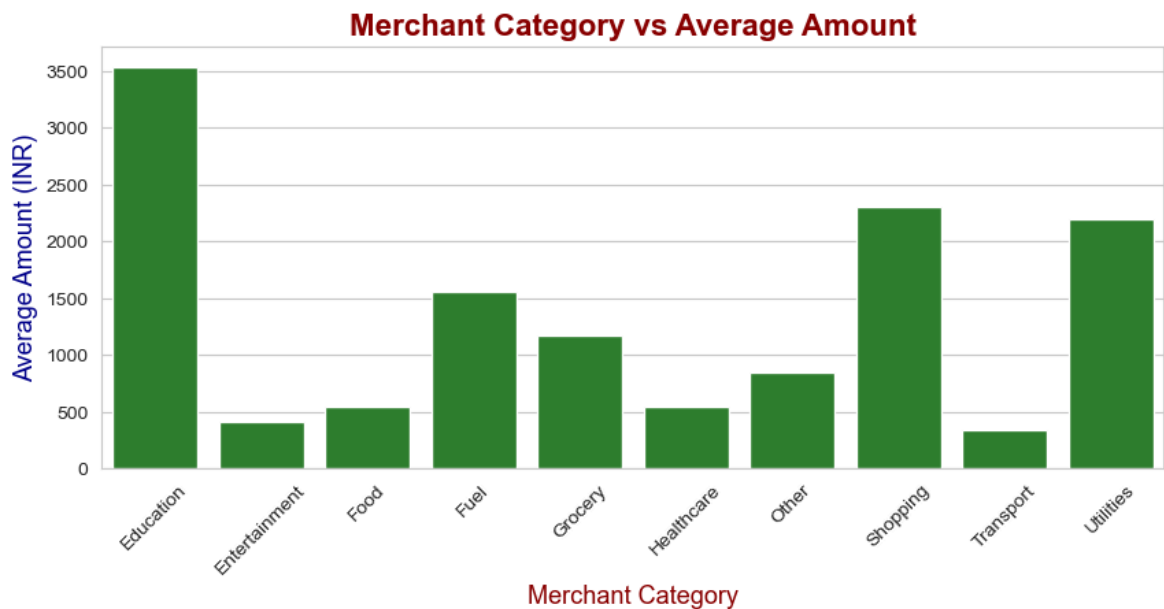
#Sender Age Group vs Hour of Day

plt.figure(figsize=(10,5))
sns.countplot(x="hour_of_day", hue="sender_age_group", data=df, palette="Set2")
plt.title("Transaction Count by Hour and Sender Age Group", color="darkred", fontweight="bold")
plt.xlabel("Hour of Day", color="blue", fontsize=13)
plt.ylabel("Transaction Count", color="blue", fontsize=13)
plt.legend(title="Sender Age Group", bbox_to_anchor=(1.05, 1), loc='upper left')
plt.show()
print("☀️ " * 50)
```









### ▲ Multivariate Analysis

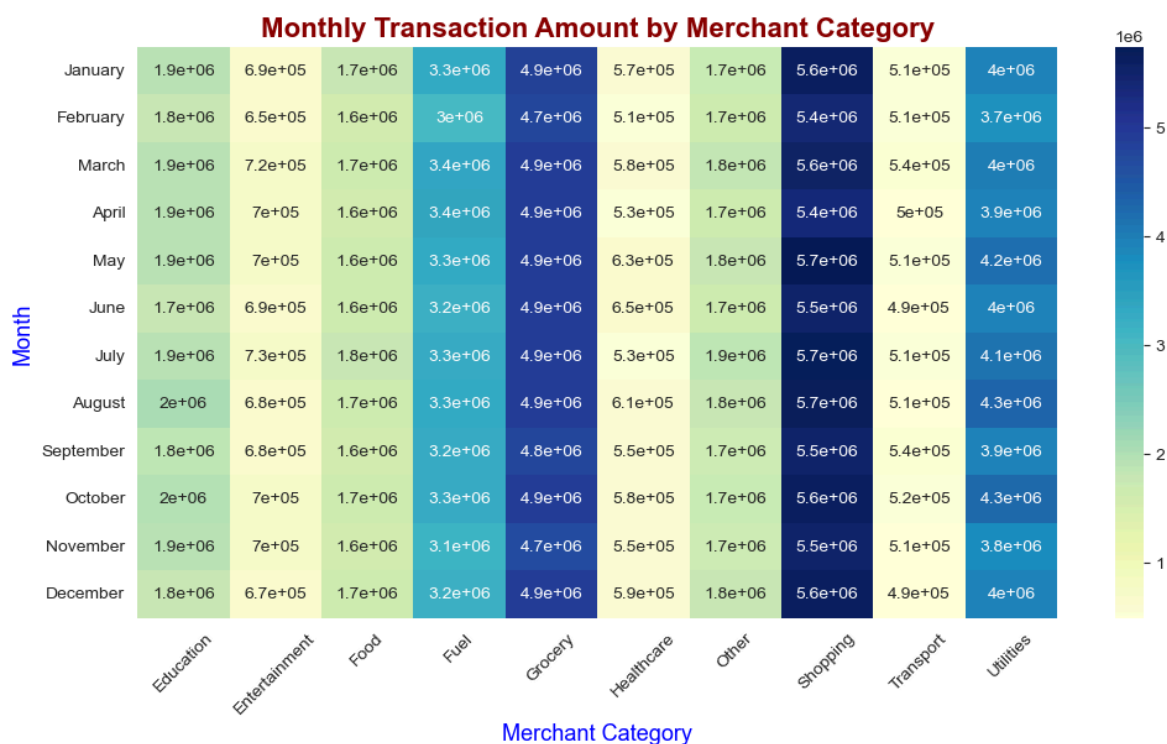
```
In [23]: #Monthly Transaction Amount by Merchant Category#
pivot = pd.pivot_table(df,
                        values='amount (INR)',
                        index='month',
                        columns='merchant_category',
                        aggfunc='sum')

# Ensure months are ordered Jan → Dec
month_order = ["January", "February", "March", "April", "May", "June",
               "July", "August", "September", "October", "November", "December"]

pivot = pivot.reindex(month_order)

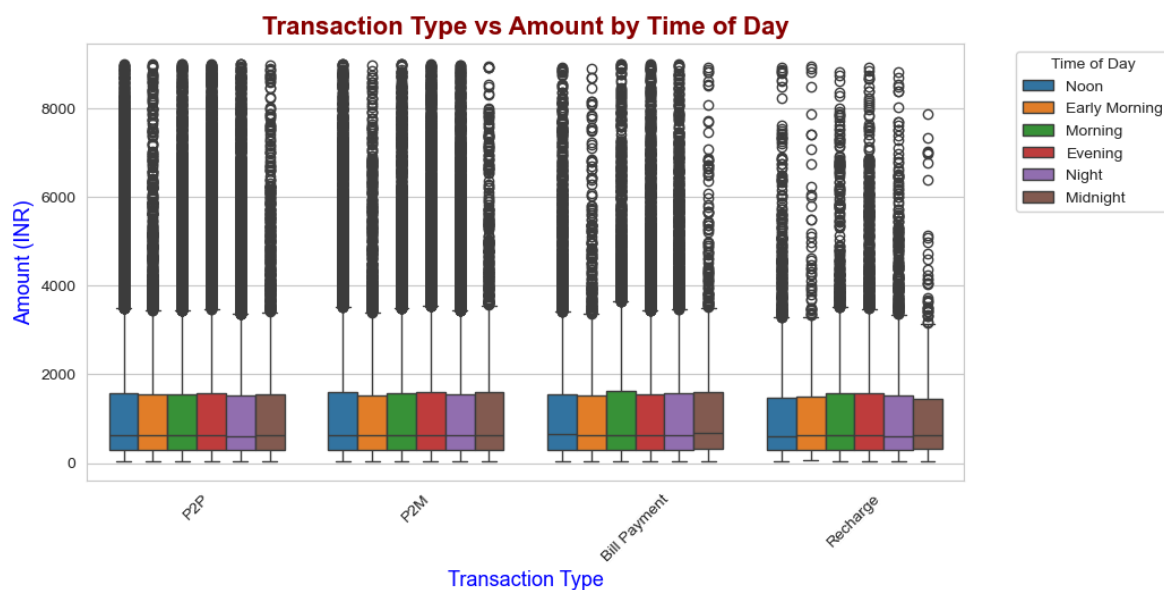
plt.figure(figsize=(12,6))
sns.heatmap(pivot, cmap="YlGnBu", annot=True)
plt.title("Monthly Transaction Amount by Merchant Category", color="darkred", fontweight="bold")
plt.xlabel("Merchant Category", color="blue", fontsize=13)
plt.ylabel("Month", color="blue", fontsize=13)
```

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plt.xticks(rotation=45)
plt.show()
```



```
In [24]: #Transaction Type vs Amount by Time of Day
plt.figure(figsize=(10,5))
sns.boxplot(x="transaction type", y="amount (INR)", hue="time_of_day", data=df)
plt.title("Transaction Type vs Amount by Time of Day", color="darkred", fontsize=13)
plt.xlabel("Transaction Type", color="blue", fontsize=13)
plt.ylabel("Amount (INR)", color="blue", fontsize=13)
plt.xticks(rotation=45)

plt.legend(title="Time of Day", bbox_to_anchor=(1.05, 1), loc='upper left')
plt.show()
```



### ▲ Groupby and Pivot Table Analysis

```
In [25]: #Groupby : Total transaction value bybank
bank_tran = df.groupby('receiver_bank')['amount (INR)'].sum().sort_values(ascending=True)
```

```
print(bank_tran.head())
```

```
receiver_bank  
Sbi          74396497.75  
Hdfc         44953335.75  
Icici        35380010.75  
Axis         29896200.80  
Indusind     29830405.00  
Name: amount (INR), dtype: float64
```

```
In [26]: #Groupby :Average transaction amount per merchant category  
avg_tran_merchant = df.groupby('merchant_category')['amount (INR)'].mean().sort_  
  
print(avg_tran_merchant.head(10))
```

```
merchant_category  
Education      3538.667357  
Shopping       2306.668255  
Utilities      2196.383522  
Fuel           1555.291032  
Grocery        1166.323172  
Other          844.857760  
Healthcare     543.145394  
Food           542.262504  
Entertainment  413.486566  
Transport      332.663178  
Name: amount (INR), dtype: float64
```

```
In [27]: # Pivot table: Transaction trends by merchant & month  
pivot_table = pd.pivot_table(df, values='amount (INR)',  
                              index='merchant_category',  
                              columns='month',  
                              aggfunc='sum')  
  
print(pivot_table)
```

month	April	August	December	February	January	\
merchant_category						
Education	1902232.0	2041487.00	1777016.0	1776474.75	1889211.00	
Entertainment	695801.0	678329.00	667442.0	654571.00	693161.00	
Food	1610082.0	1694035.00	1652750.0	1603736.00	1747537.25	
Fuel	3378771.0	3332782.00	3171524.0	3036091.00	3329627.00	
Grocery	4904982.0	4916841.00	4901921.0	4748529.00	4855922.00	
Healthcare	529019.0	605371.00	586400.0	512463.00	569188.00	
Other	1666191.0	1799557.00	1779387.0	1689428.00	1730268.00	
Shopping	5350664.5	5671120.75	5636526.0	5410893.00	5600715.00	
Transport	497944.0	507860.00	488939.0	509887.00	510107.00	
Utilities	3925311.0	4333488.00	3964921.0	3737874.00	3968575.00	

month	July	June	March	May	November	\
merchant_category						
Education	1905645.00	1747391.0	1914665.00	1933089.00	1943268.0	
Entertainment	726798.00	687134.0	724867.00	703154.00	698944.0	
Food	1759773.50	1625742.0	1695308.00	1642789.75	1593132.0	
Fuel	3253395.00	3185297.0	3353334.00	3296524.00	3146485.0	
Grocery	4901294.00	4946283.0	4880023.00	4905442.00	4658830.0	
Healthcare	528521.00	654041.0	575007.00	633180.00	550513.0	
Other	1857266.25	1679673.0	1814158.50	1794221.00	1712110.0	
Shopping	5705714.00	5519105.0	5559696.00	5734273.80	5549107.0	
Transport	510685.00	489505.0	536260.00	512567.00	508027.0	
Utilities	4143935.00	3967612.5	4020009.25	4172109.00	3812465.0	

month	October	September
merchant_category		
Education	1975797.0	1844734.00
Entertainment	700275.0	679777.00
Food	1688751.0	1580348.00
Fuel	3255874.0	3245221.00
Grocery	4879369.0	4771236.00
Healthcare	584772.0	552634.00
Other	1730408.0	1709943.00
Shopping	5641474.0	5502557.00
Transport	522184.0	541342.00
Utilities	4273674.0	3906019.25

```
In [28]: #Pivot table : Transaction count per month
pivot_table2 = pd.pivot_table(df,
                                values='amount (INR)',
                                index='receiver_bank',
                                columns='month',
                                aggfunc='count')

print(pivot_table2.head())
```

month	April	August	December	February	January	July	June	March	\
receiver_bank									
Axis	2043	2058	1957	1923	2089	2083	2008	2132	
Hdfc	2960	3104	3098	3000	3149	3140	3076	3127	
Icici	2424	2542	2424	2336	2518	2480	2402	2554	
Indusind	1961	2072	2055	1989	2023	2119	1990	2080	
Kotak	1662	1694	1696	1547	1642	1662	1630	1599	

month	May	November	October	September
receiver_bank				
Axis	2042	1979	2117	2053
Hdfc	3160	3044	3165	2941
Icici	2439	2345	2446	2437
Indusind	2157	2069	2102	2011
Kotak	1697	1597	1644	1662

### ▲ Correlation Analysis

```
In [29]: numeric_cols = ['amount (INR)', 'hour_of_day', 'fraud_flag', 'is_weekend']
df[numeric_cols] = df[numeric_cols].apply(pd.to_numeric)
corr_matrix = df[numeric_cols].corr()
print(corr_matrix)

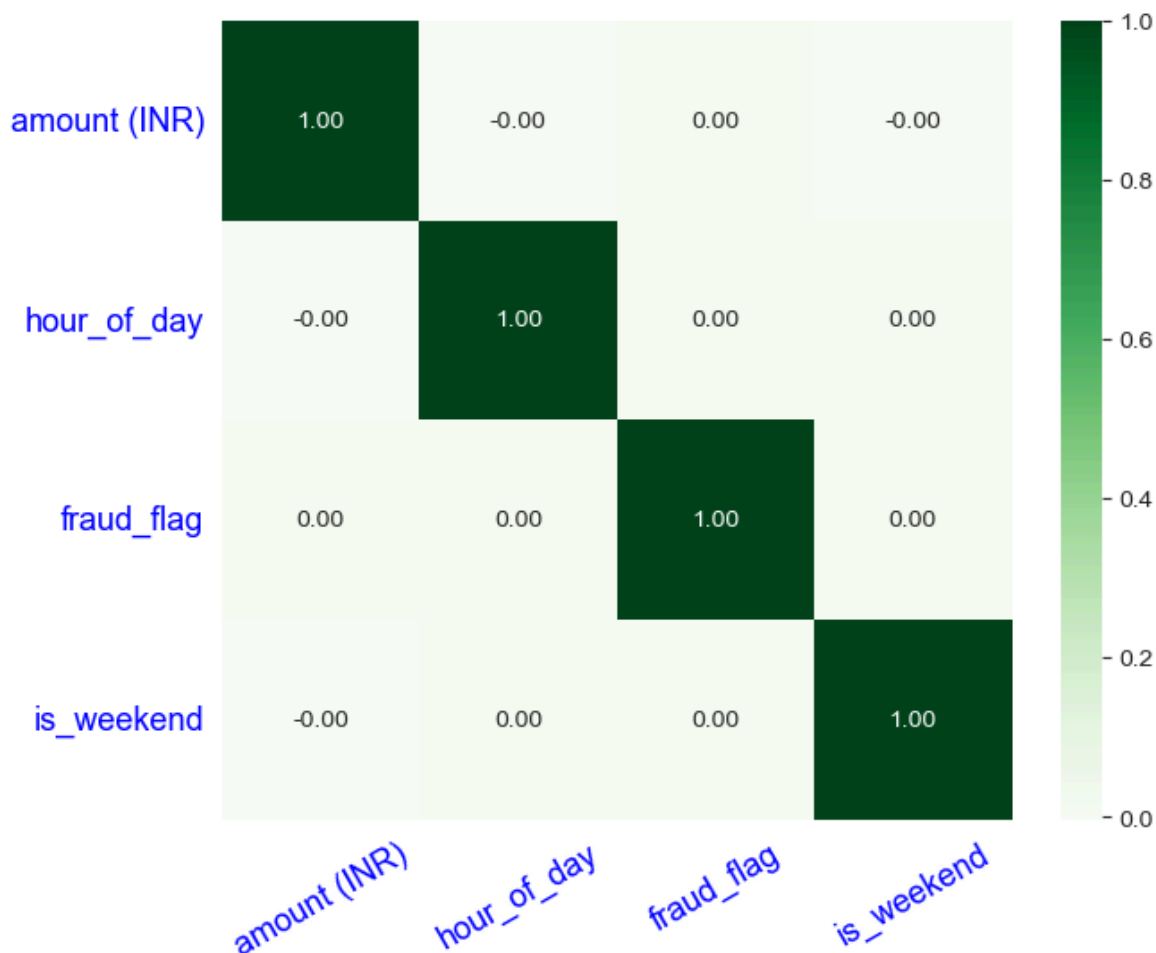
plt.figure(figsize=(7,6))
sns.heatmap(corr_matrix, annot=True, cmap="Greens", fmt=".2f")

plt.title("Correlation Heatmap", color="darkred", fontsize=16, fontweight='bold')
plt.xticks(rotation=30, color="blue", fontsize=13)
plt.yticks(rotation=0, color="blue", fontsize=13)

plt.tight_layout()
plt.show()
```

	amount (INR)	hour_of_day	fraud_flag	is_weekend
amount (INR)	1.000000	-0.003357	0.002626	-0.000587
hour_of_day	-0.003357	1.000000	0.000604	0.001356
fraud_flag	0.002626	0.000604	1.000000	0.000794
is_weekend	-0.000587	0.001356	0.000794	1.000000

## Correlation Heatmap



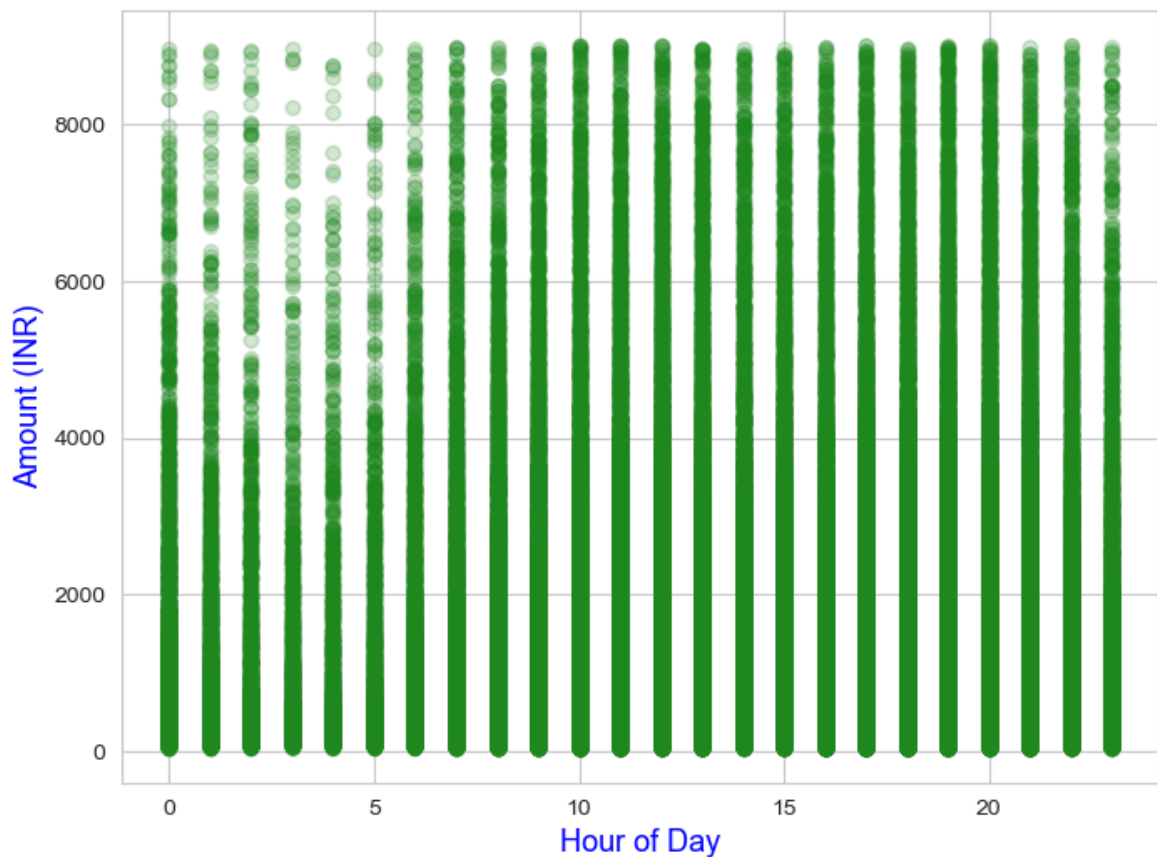
### ▲ Outlier Analysis

```
In [30]: plt.figure(figsize=(8,6))
plt.scatter(df['hour_of_day'], df['amount (INR)'],color="#228B22", alpha=0.2)

plt.title("Scatter Plot - Hour of Day vs Transaction Amount", color='darkred', f
plt.xlabel("Hour of Day", color='blue', fontsize=13)
plt.ylabel("Amount (INR)", color='blue', fontsize=13)

plt.show()
```

## Scatter Plot - Hour of Day vs Transaction Amount



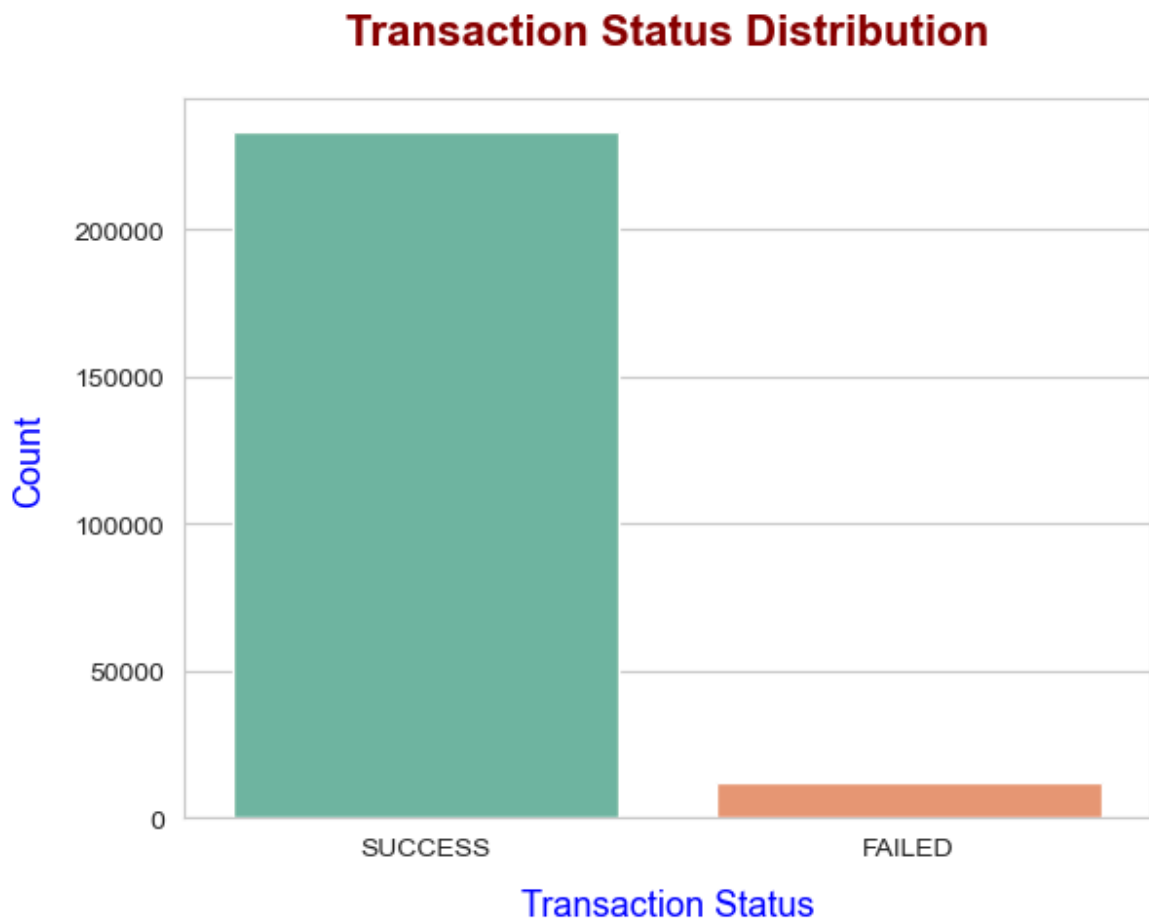
### ▲ Finding and Insight of EDA

- ◆ They are mostly **P2P and grocery-related** and they tend to be mostly successful, **young adults (26–35)** are their largest remitting and receiving segment.
- ◆ Sender bank and receiver state are most frequent **Maharashtra and SBI** and medium is **Android + 4G**.
- ◆ The **evening and weekdays** are when the most transactions are occurring and the average transaction amount is that little bit higher.
- ◆ The amount of **fraudulent transactions is very low (0.19%)** and there is little correlation between the numeric features.
- ◆ Grocery and P2P dominate small-to-medium transactions, while **shopping** show higher-value spends.
- ◆ Festive months show spikes in both transaction count and amount, especially in **shopping and entertainment**.
- ◆ Majority of transactions are successful, while failures are mostly linked to **network/bank issues**.

## Visualization

### ▲ Transaction Status Distribution

```
In [31]: sns.countplot(data=df, x="transaction_status", hue="transaction_status", palette=
plt.title("Transaction Status Distribution", color='darkred', fontweight='bold',
plt.xlabel("Transaction Status", color='blue', fontsize=13, labelpad=10)
plt.ylabel("Count", color='blue', fontsize=13, labelpad=10)
plt.show()
```



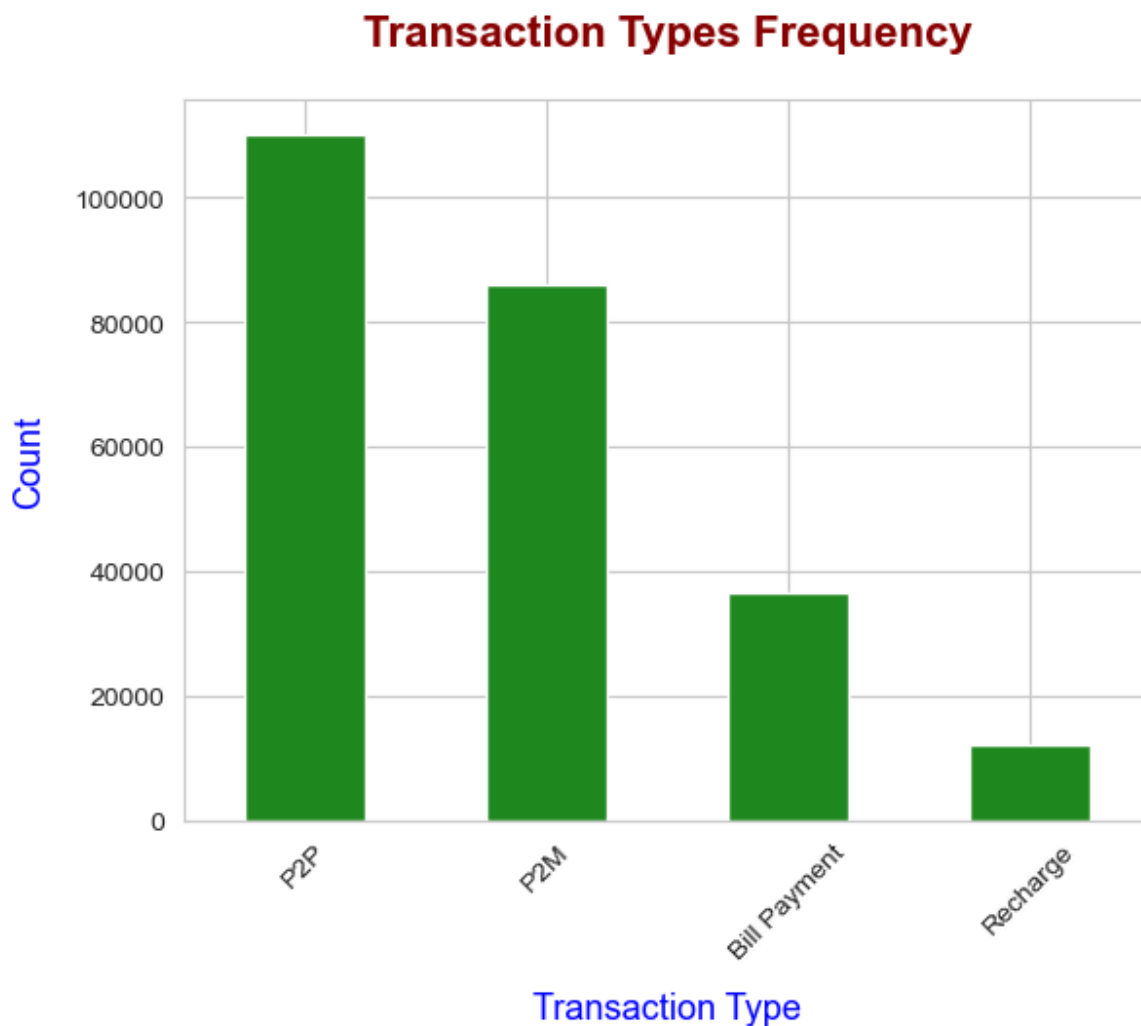
## Interpretation – Transaction Status Distribution

- **Most UPI transactions are successful**, showing that the system is highly reliable.
- **Only a small portion of transactions fail**, usually due to network issues, bank downtime, or user mistakes.
- **The high success rate builds user confidence and trust** in using UPI for daily payments.

### ▲ Transaction Type Count

```
In [32]: df['transaction type'].value_counts().plot(kind="bar", color="#228B22")
plt.title("Transaction Types Frequency",color='darkred', fontweight='bold',font
plt.xlabel("Transaction Type", color='blue', fontsize=13, labelpad=10)
plt.ylabel("Count", color='blue', fontsize=13, labelpad=10)
plt.xticks(rotation=45)
plt.show()
```





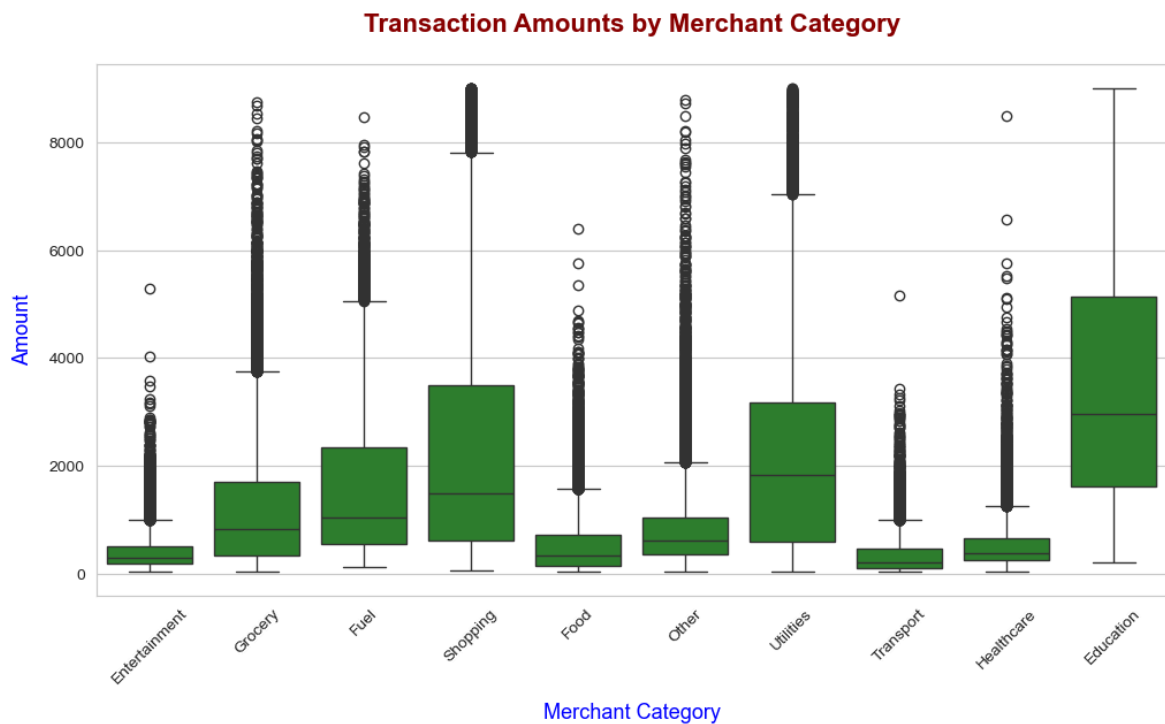
### Interpretation – Transaction Types Frequency

- **P2P (Person-to-Person) transfers are the most common**, showing UPI's primary role as a money transfer system between individuals.
- **P2M (Person-to-Merchant) transactions are also high**, reflecting UPI's growing adoption for retail, shopping, and service payments.
- **Bill payments are moderately frequent**, showing users rely on UPI for essential recurring expenses.
- **Recharges form the smallest share**, as many users prefer direct telecom apps or wallets for quick top-ups.

### ▲ Amount by Merchant Category

```
In [33]: plt.figure(figsize=(12,6))
sns.boxplot(x="merchant_category", y="amount (INR)", data=df,color="#228B22")
plt.xticks(rotation=45)
plt.title("Transaction Amounts by Merchant Category",color='darkred', fontweight
plt.xlabel("Merchant Category", color='blue', fontsize=13, labelpad=10)
plt.ylabel("Amount", color='blue', fontsize=13, labelpad=10)

plt.show()
```



## Interpretation – Transaction Amounts by Merchant Category

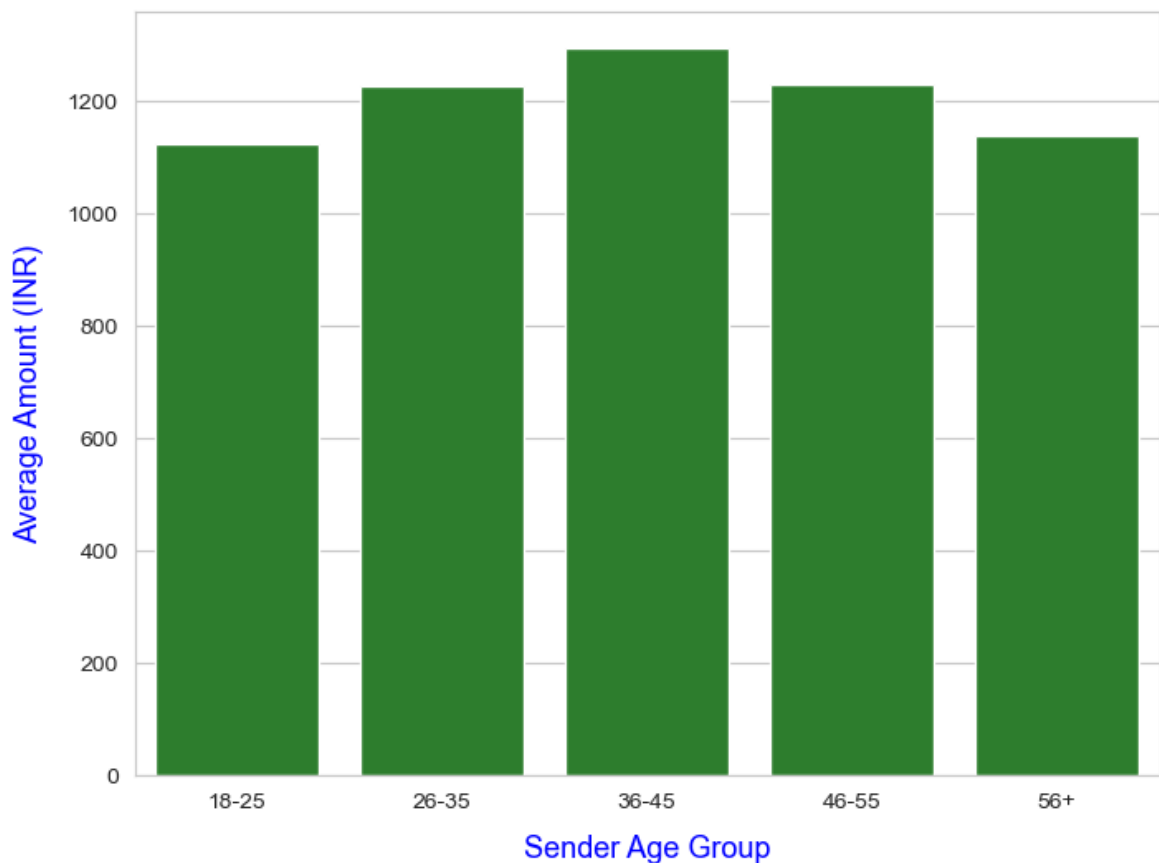
- **Shopping and Education have the highest transaction amounts**, indicating that users spend more on big purchases and educational fees.
- **Grocery, Fuel, and Utilities show moderate transaction amounts**, reflecting routine daily or monthly expenses.
- **Entertainment, Transport, Food, and Healthcare have lower amounts**, meaning these payments are usually smaller and more frequent.
- **Most categories have many outliers**, especially Shopping, Utilities, and Other, suggesting occasional high-value transactions.
- **Overall, UPI is used for both small daily payments and occasional large payments**, showing its versatility.

### ▲ Sender Age Group vs Average Amount

```
In [34]: plt.figure(figsize=(8,6))
sns.barplot(
    x=df.groupby("sender_age_group")["amount (INR)"].mean().index,
    y=df.groupby("sender_age_group")["amount (INR)"].mean().values,
    color="#228B22"
)

plt.title("Average Transaction Amount by Sender Age Group", color='darkred', fontweight='bold')
plt.xlabel("Sender Age Group", color="blue", fontsize=13, labelpad=10)
plt.ylabel("Average Amount (INR)", color="blue", fontsize=13, labelpad=10)
plt.show()
```

## Average Transaction Amount by Sender Age Group



### Interpretation – Average Transaction Amount by Sender Age Group

- **Senders aged 36-45 have the highest average transaction amount**, indicating that middle-aged users tend to make larger payments compared to other age groups.
- **Senders aged 18-25 and 56+** have the lowest average amounts, suggesting younger and older users make smaller payments.
- **Overall, transaction amounts rise from 18-25 to 36-45**, then slightly decrease for 46-55 and 56+, showing a peak in the middle age range.
- UPI usage for larger payments is more common among middle-aged adults, possibly due to higher income and financial responsibilities.

### ▲ Receiver Bank vs Number of Transactions

```
In [35]: bank_counts = df['receiver_bank'].value_counts().head(10).reset_index()
bank_counts.columns = ['Receiver Bank', 'Transaction Count']

fig = px.treemap(
    bank_counts,
    path=['Receiver Bank'],
    values='Transaction Count',
    color='Transaction Count',
    color_continuous_scale=['#98FB98', '#006400']
)
```

```

)

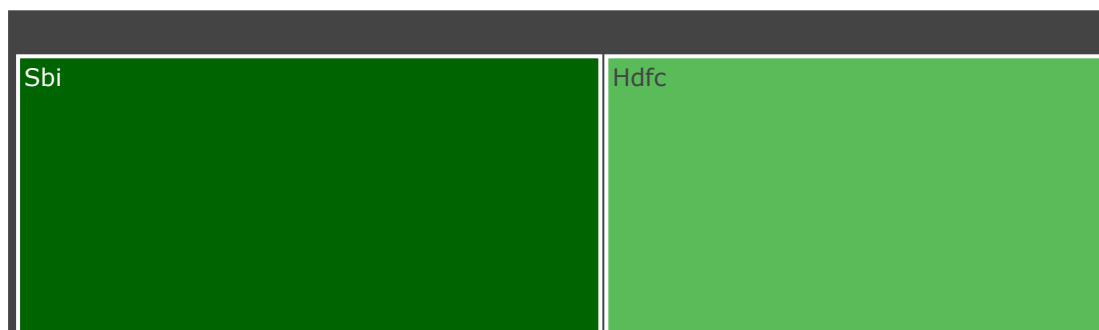
fig.update_layout(
    title=dict(
        text="<b>Top 10 Receiver Banks by Transaction Count</b>",
        font=dict(size=16, color="darkred"),
        x=0.5,
        xanchor="center",
        pad=dict(t=20)
    ),
    margin=dict(t=50, l=20, r=20, b=20)
)

fig.update_traces(marker_line_color='white', marker_line_width=2)

fig.show()

```

**Top 10 F**



## Interpretation – Top 10 Receiver Banks by Transaction Count

- **SBI receives the highest number of UPI transactions**, making it the most preferred bank for money transfers.
- **HDFC and ICICI** also record a large number of transactions, but their counts are much lower compared to SBI.
- **Kotak, PNB, and Yes Bank** are also in the top 10 but handle fewer transactions than the leading banks.

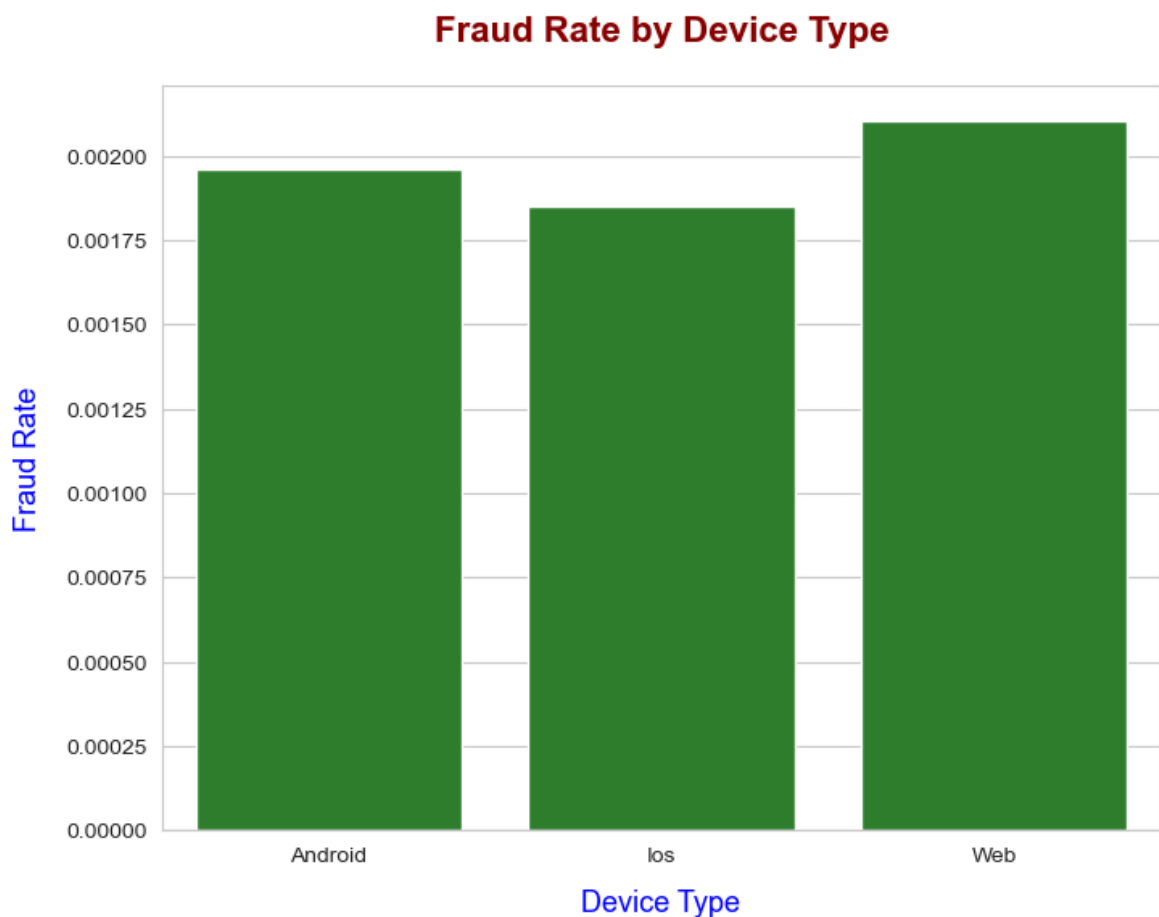
- **Overall, SBI stands out with a clear lead**, while the other banks share smaller portions of UPI inflow.
- UPI users trust and rely more on SBI for receiving payments, while private banks play a secondary role

### ▲ Device Type vs Fraud Rate

```
In [36]: fraud_rate = df.groupby("device_type")["fraud_flag"].mean()

plt.figure(figsize=(8,6))
sns.barplot(
    x=fraud_rate.index,
    y=fraud_rate.values,
    color="#228B22"
)

plt.title("Fraud Rate by Device Type", color='darkred', fontweight='bold', fontsize=13)
plt.xlabel("Device Type", color="blue", fontsize=13, labelpad=10)
plt.ylabel("Fraud Rate", color="blue", fontsize=13, labelpad=10)
plt.show()
```



### Interpretation – Fraud Rate by Device Type

- **Web transactions show the highest fraud rate**, indicating they are more vulnerable to fraudulent transactions compared to other device types.

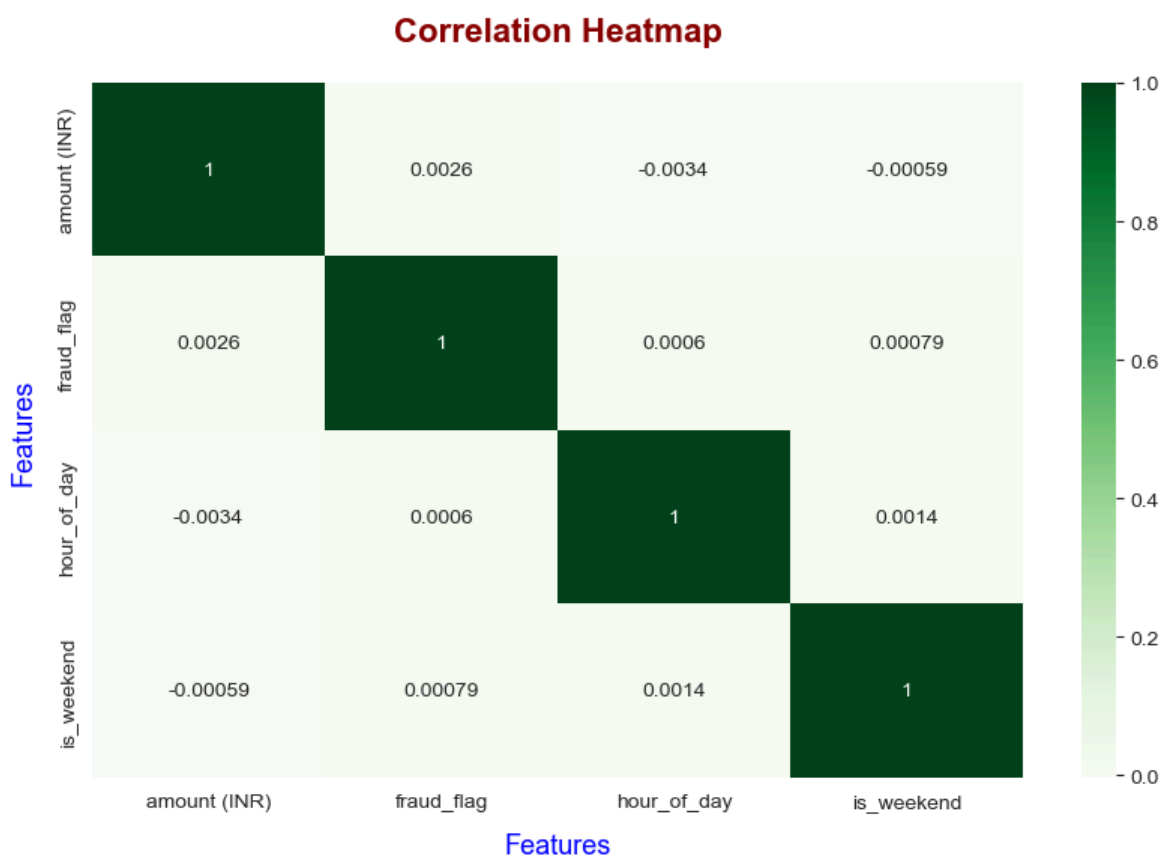
- **Android devices also have a considerable fraud rate**, showing that UPI usage carries some risk.
- **iOS devices record the lowest fraud rate**, suggesting better security or lower risk among Apple users.
- **Overall, fraud rates are low across all devices**, but Web stands out with slightly higher risks than iOS and Android.
- Extra fraud monitoring and security measures may be required for Android and Web users to ensure safer UPI transactions.

### ▲ Heatmap of Correlation

```
In [37]: plt.figure(figsize=(10,6))
sns.heatmap(df.corr(numeric_only=True), annot=True, cmap="Greens")

plt.title("Correlation Heatmap", color='darkred', fontweight='bold', fontsize=16)
plt.xlabel("Features", color='blue', fontsize=13, labelpad=10)
plt.ylabel("Features", color='blue', fontsize=13, labelpad=10)

plt.show()
```



### Interpretation – Correlation Heatmap

- **The correlations between features are very weak**, as most values are close to 0.
- **Amount (INR) has almost no strong link with fraud\_flag, hour\_of\_day, or is\_weekend**, meaning fraud is not directly related to

transaction size or time.

- Since no strong correlations exist, fraud detection requires more advanced methods beyond simple correlation (e.g., machine learning models).

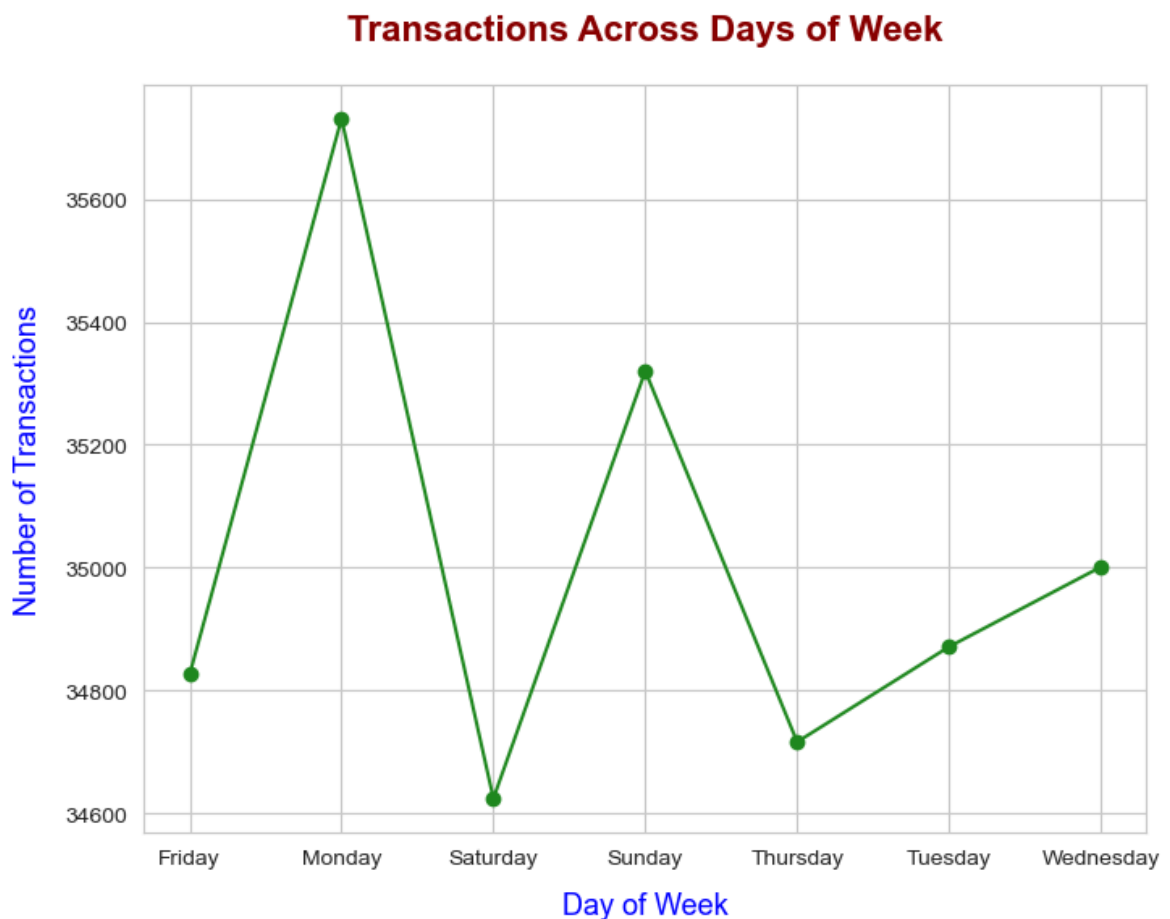
### ▲ Transactions per Day of Week

```
In [38]: day_counts = df.groupby("day_of_week")["transaction id"].count()

plt.figure(figsize=(8,6))
day_counts.plot(kind="line", marker="o", color="#228B22")

plt.title("Transactions Across Days of Week", color='darkred', fontweight='bold',
          fontsize=16, pad=20)
plt.xlabel("Day of Week", color='blue', fontsize=13, labelpad=10)
plt.ylabel("Number of Transactions", color='blue', fontsize=13, labelpad=10)

plt.show()
```



### Interpretation – Transactions Across Days of Week

- **Monday records the highest number of transactions**, showing peak activity at the start of the week.
- **Saturday has the lowest number of transactions**, reflecting reduced usage on weekends.
- Transactions slightly dip mid-week but rise again towards Friday.

- Overall, **weekday transactions are higher than weekend transactions.**

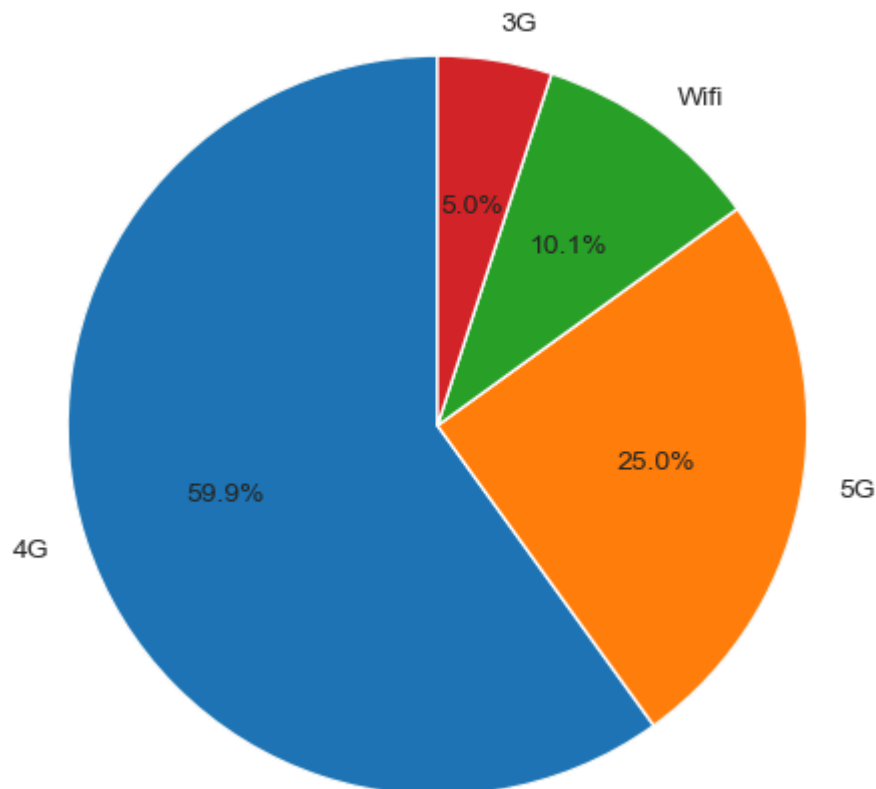
### ▲ Network Type Distribution

```
In [39]: plt.figure(figsize=(8,6))
df['network_type'].value_counts().plot(
    kind="pie",
    autopct='%1.1f%%',
    startangle=90
)

plt.title("Network Type Usage", color='darkred', fontweight='bold',
        fontsize=16, pad=20)
plt.ylabel("")

plt.show()
```

### Network Type Usage



### Interpretation – Network Type Usage

- 4G has the highest share of transactions (59.9%),** indicating that nearly half of all UPI transactions are carried out using 4G networks.
- 5G accounts for 25% of transactions,** showing that adoption of 5G is growing but still trails behind 4G usage.



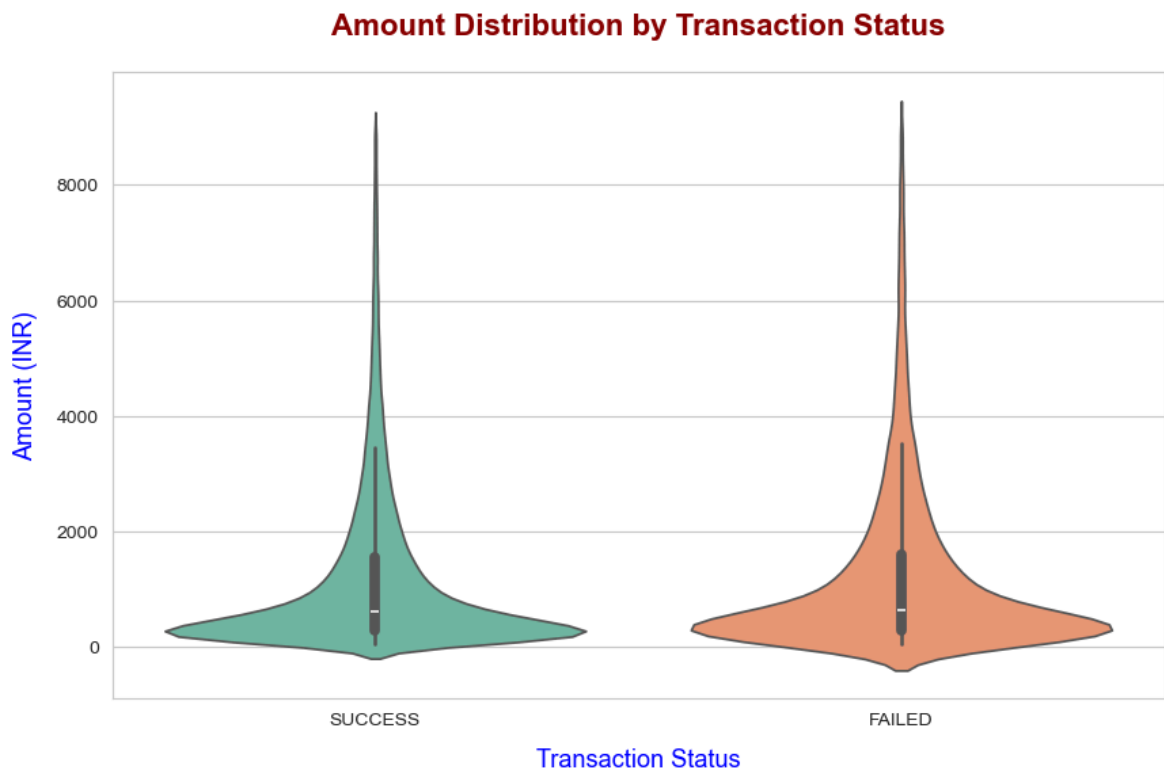
- **WiFi contributes 10.1% of transactions**, suggesting a significant portion of users prefer stable broadband connections for UPI payments.
- **3G has the lowest share (5%)**, reflecting a decline in its usage as users migrate to faster networks.
- UPI transactions are dominated by mobile networks, with 4G leading, while WiFi and 5G provide alternative channels. This trend highlights the reliance on mobile internet for digital payments.

### ▲ Amount vs Transaction Status

```
In [40]: plt.figure(figsize=(10,6))
sns.violinplot(
    x="transaction_status",
    y="amount (INR)",
    hue="transaction_status",
    data=df,
    palette="Set2",
    legend=False
)

plt.title("Amount Distribution by Transaction Status",
          color='darkred', fontweight='bold', fontsize=16, pad=20)
plt.xlabel("Transaction Status", color='blue', fontsize=13, labelpad=10)
plt.ylabel("Amount (INR)", color='blue', fontsize=13, labelpad=10)

plt.show()
```



### Interpretation – Amount Distribution by Transaction Status

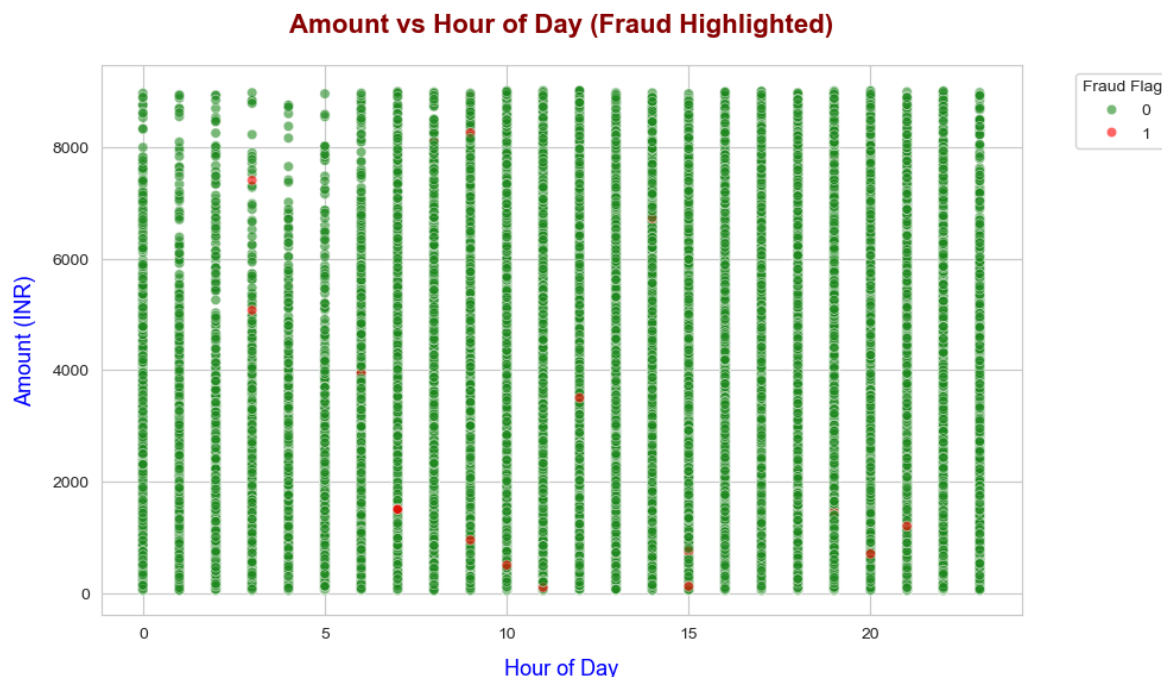
- **Successful transactions show a wider spread of amounts**, indicating that they occur across both lower and higher ranges of INR values.
- **Failed transactions are more concentrated around lower amounts**, suggesting that failures are more frequent in smaller-value payments.
- **Both success and failure distributions extend to higher values**, but the density is much lower at the extreme ends, showing fewer high-value transactions overall.
- **The median amount is slightly higher for successful transactions** compared to failed ones, reflecting greater stability in mid-range transaction values.
- Transaction patterns suggest that success rates are better sustained across varied amounts, while failures cluster more in lower-value ranges.

### ▲ Amount vs Hour of Day

```
In [41]: plt.figure(figsize=(10,6))
sns.scatterplot(
    x="hour_of_day",
    y="amount (INR)",
    hue="fraud_flag",
    data=df,
    palette={0: "#228B22", 1: "red"},
    alpha=0.6
)

plt.title("Amount vs Hour of Day (Fraud Highlighted)",
          color='darkred', fontweight='bold', fontsize=16, pad=20)
plt.xlabel("Hour of Day", color='blue', fontsize=13, labelpad=10)
plt.ylabel("Amount (INR)", color='blue', fontsize=13, labelpad=10)

plt.legend(title="Fraud Flag", bbox_to_anchor=(1.05, 1), loc='upper left')
plt.show()
```



## Interpretation – Amount vs Hour of Day (Fraud Highlighted)

- **Transactions are distributed across all 24 hours**, showing that UPI payments occur consistently throughout the day.
- **Most transactions cluster at lower to mid-value ranges**, with fewer high-value payments above INR 60,000.
- **Fraudulent transactions (red points) are scattered across hours**, but they are relatively rare compared to legitimate ones.
- **Fraud cases appear both in small and high-value ranges**, indicating that fraud attempts are not limited to any specific transaction size.
- The overall pattern suggests that while transaction activity is steady across the day, fraud risks exist at varying times and amounts, requiring continuous monitoring.

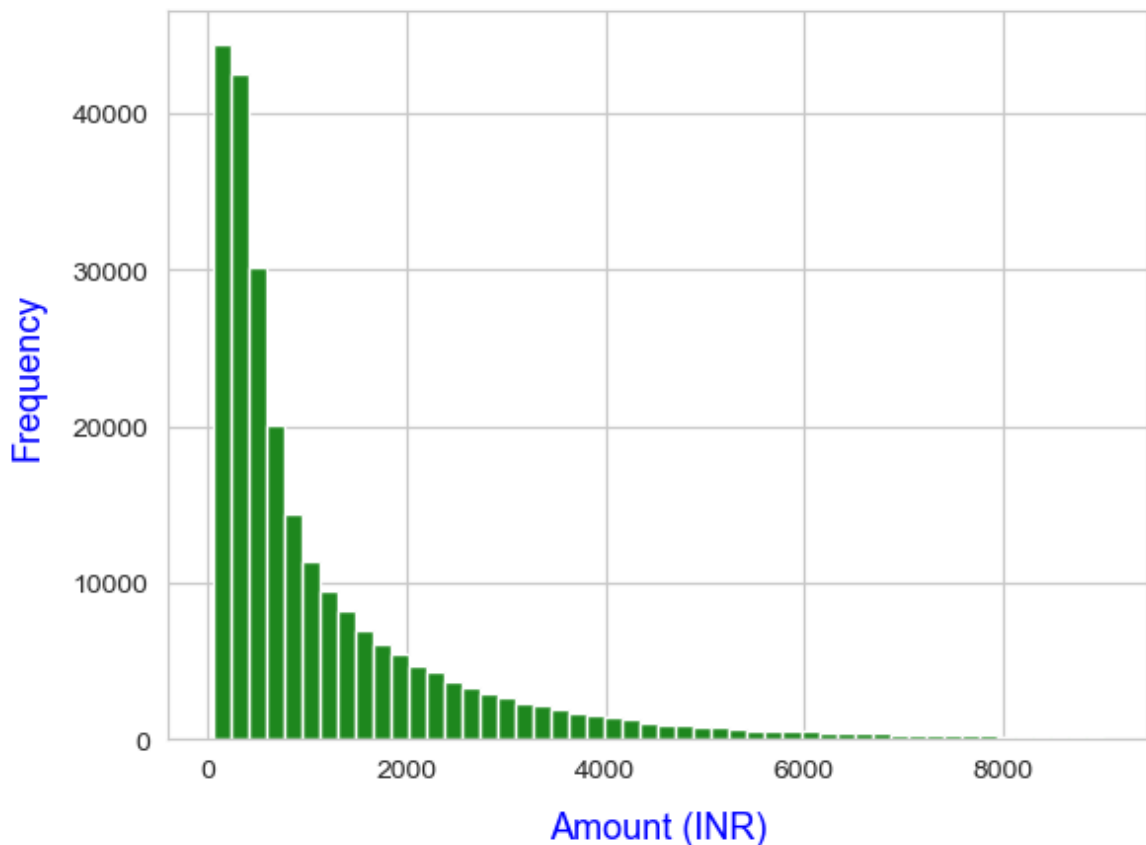
### ▲ Transaction Amount Distribution

```
In [42]: df['amount (INR)'].plot(kind="hist", bins=50, color="#228B22")

plt.title("Transaction Amount Distribution",
          color='darkred', fontweight='bold', fontsize=16, pad=20)
plt.xlabel("Amount (INR)", color='blue', fontsize=13, labelpad=10)
plt.ylabel("Frequency", color='blue', fontsize=13, labelpad=10)

plt.show()
```

## Transaction Amount Distribution



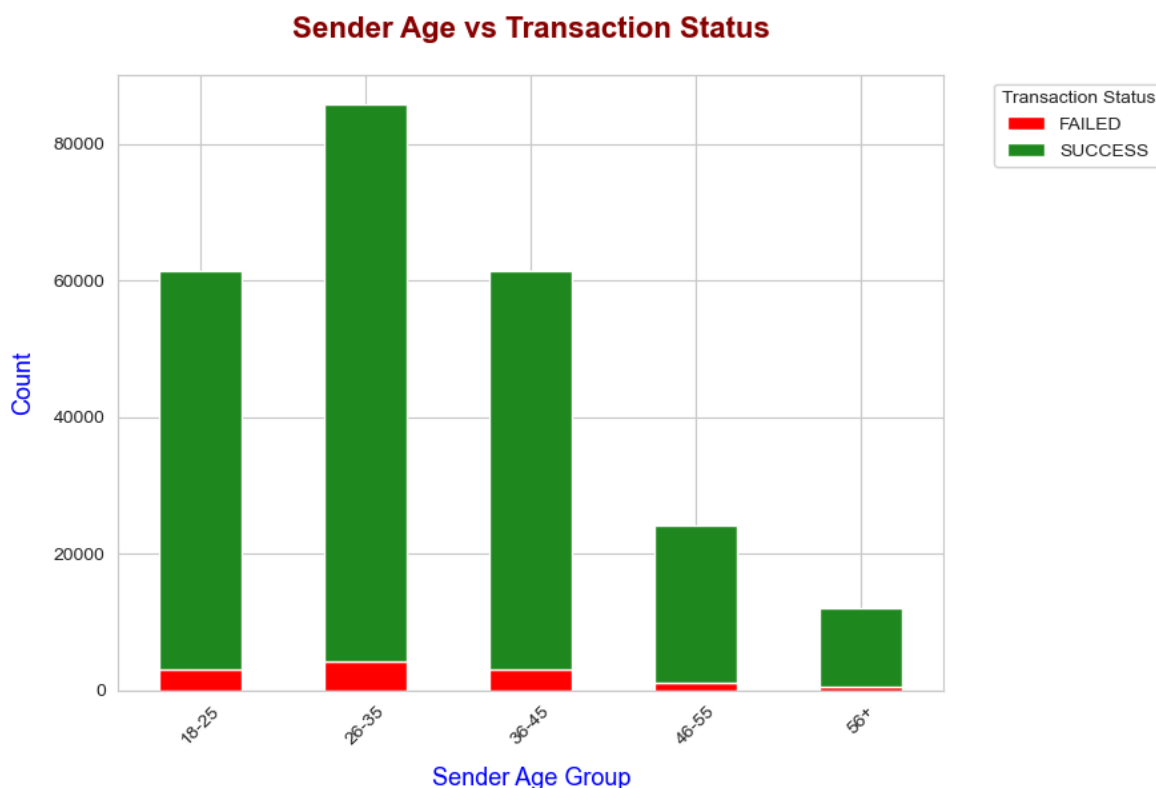
### Interpretation – Transaction Amount Distribution

- **The majority of transactions are concentrated in the lower amount range**, mostly below INR 2,000.
- **As the transaction amount increases, the frequency decreases sharply**, indicating fewer high-value transactions.
- **Very high-value transactions (above INR 5,000)** are extremely rare compared to smaller payments.
- **The distribution is highly right-skewed**, showing that most UPI payments are for low amounts, while only a small portion involves large sums.
- The pattern reflects the everyday use of UPI for small, frequent payments rather than high-value transfers.

### ▲ Sender Age vs Transaction Status

```
In [43]: cross_tab = pd.crosstab(df['sender_age_group'], df['transaction_status'])
cross_tab.plot(
    kind="bar",
    stacked=True,
    color=["red", "#228B22"],
    figsize=(8,6)
)
```

```
plt.title("Sender Age vs Transaction Status",
          color='darkred', fontweight='bold', fontsize=16, pad=20)
plt.xlabel("Sender Age Group", color='blue', fontsize=13, labelpad=10)
plt.ylabel("Count", color='blue', fontsize=13, labelpad=10)
plt.xticks(rotation=45)
plt.legend(title="Transaction Status", bbox_to_anchor=(1.05, 1), loc='upper left')
plt.show()
```



## Interpretation – Sender Age vs Transaction Status

- **The 26–35 age group has the highest number of transactions,** showing that young working professionals are the most active UPI users.
- **The 18–25 and 36–45 groups also show significant activity,** together contributing a large share of transactions.
- **Transaction volume declines steadily for age groups above 45,** with the 56+ category recording the lowest participation.
- **Across all age groups, successful transactions (green) dominate,** while failures (red) form a very small fraction.
- The trend highlights that UPI adoption is strongest among younger and middle-aged users, while older groups show relatively lower engagement.

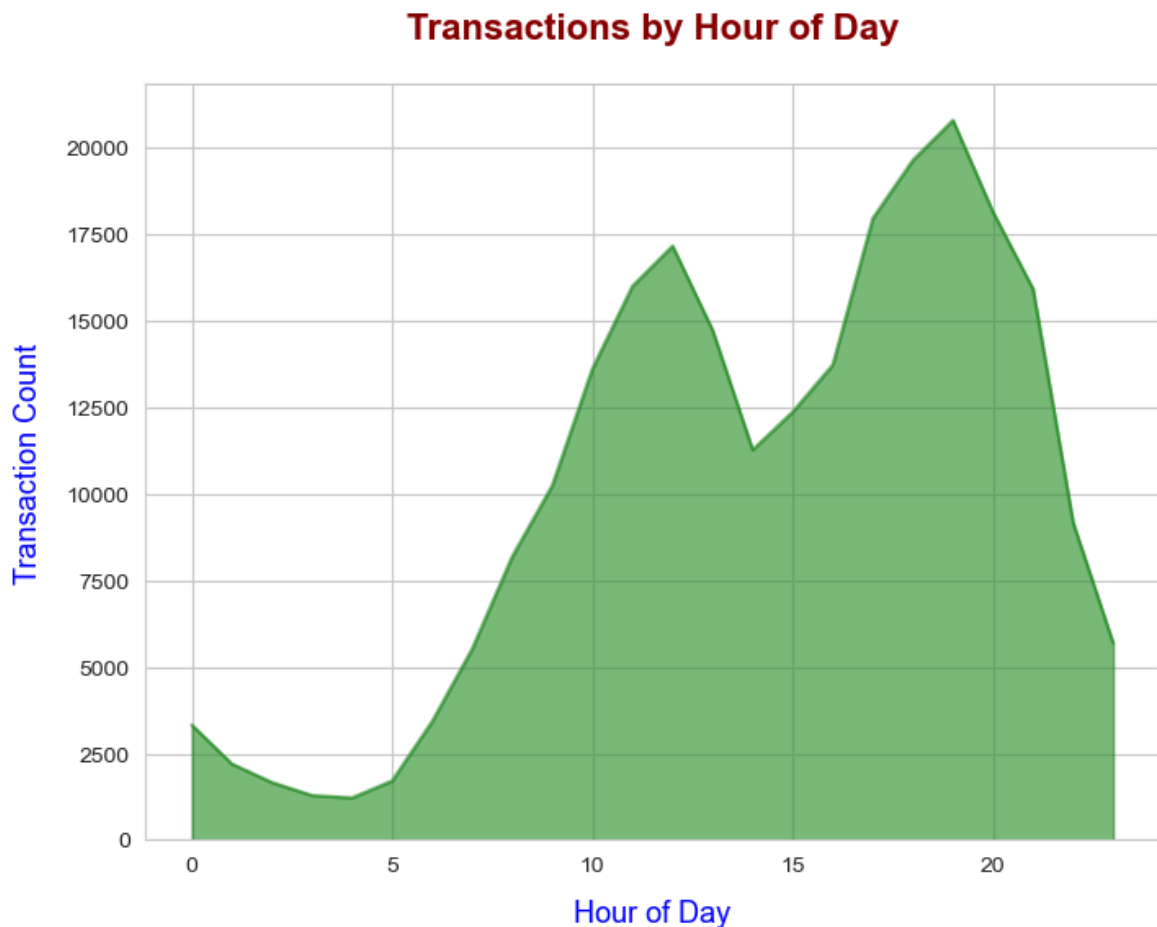
### ▲ Transactions per Hour

```
In [44]: hourly = df.groupby("hour_of_day")["transaction id"].count()
hourly.plot(kind="area", alpha=0.6, color="#228B22", figsize=(8,6))

plt.title("Transactions by Hour of Day",
          color='darkred', fontweight='bold', fontsize=16, pad=20)
```

```
plt.xlabel("Hour of Day", color='blue', fontsize=13, labelpad=10)
plt.ylabel("Transaction Count", color='blue', fontsize=13, labelpad=10)

plt.show()
```



## Interpretation – Transactions by Hour of Day

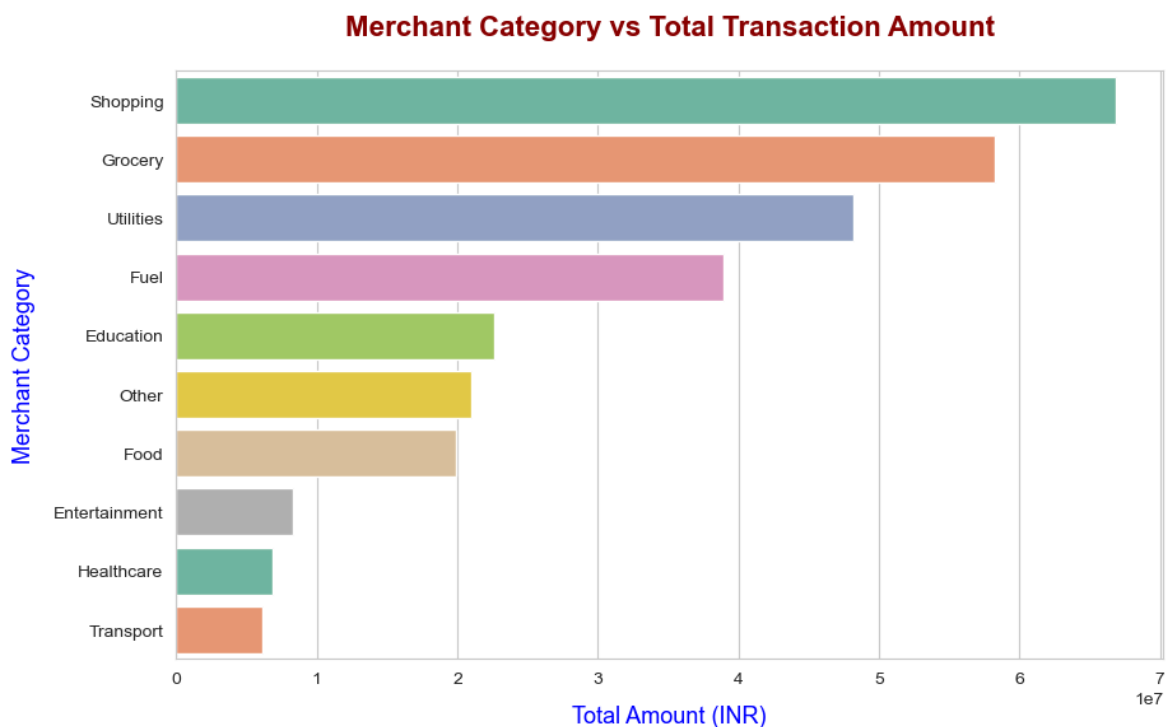
- **Transaction volume starts increasing from early morning (around 6–7 AM),** showing the beginning of daily UPI activity.
- **A steady rise continues through the morning and midday,** indicating high activity during working hours.
- **There are two major peaks in the evening hours,** reflecting higher transaction activity after work and during shopping/dining times.
- **Late-night transactions drop sharply,** with very low activity observed after midnight.
- The pattern reflects typical daily behavior, where UPI usage is aligned with work schedules, shopping times, and personal expenses across the day.

### ▲ Merchant Category vs Total Amount

```
In [45]: merchant_amount = df.groupby("merchant_category", as_index=False)["amount (INR)"]
merchant_amount = merchant_amount.sort_values(by="amount (INR)", ascending=False)
```

```
plt.figure(figsize=(10,6))
sns.barplot(
    x='amount (INR)',
    y='merchant_category',
    data=merchant_amount,
    hue="merchant_category",
    legend=False,
    palette="Set2"
)

plt.title("Merchant Category vs Total Transaction Amount",
          color='darkred', fontweight='bold', fontsize=16, pad=20)
plt.xlabel("Total Amount (INR)", color='blue', fontsize=13, labelpad=10)
plt.ylabel("Merchant Category", color='blue', fontsize=13, labelpad=10)
plt.show()
```



## Interpretation – Merchant Category vs Total Transaction Amount

- **Shopping records the highest total transaction amount**, highlighting consumer preference for retail and e-commerce payments.
- **Grocery is the second-largest category**, showing frequent spending on daily essentials through UPI.
- **Utilities and Fuel contribute significantly**, reflecting the growing trend of paying bills and fuel expenses digitally.
- **Categories like Education and Food show moderate levels**, indicating regular but smaller-scale payments.
- **Healthcare, Entertainment, and Transport are among the lowest**, suggesting limited but niche usage in these sectors.

- Overall, UPI usage is dominated by lifestyle and essential needs, with shopping and groceries leading digital spending habits.

### ▲ Fraud vs Transaction Status

```
In [46]: fraud_status = pd.crosstab(df['transaction_status'], df['fraud_flag'])

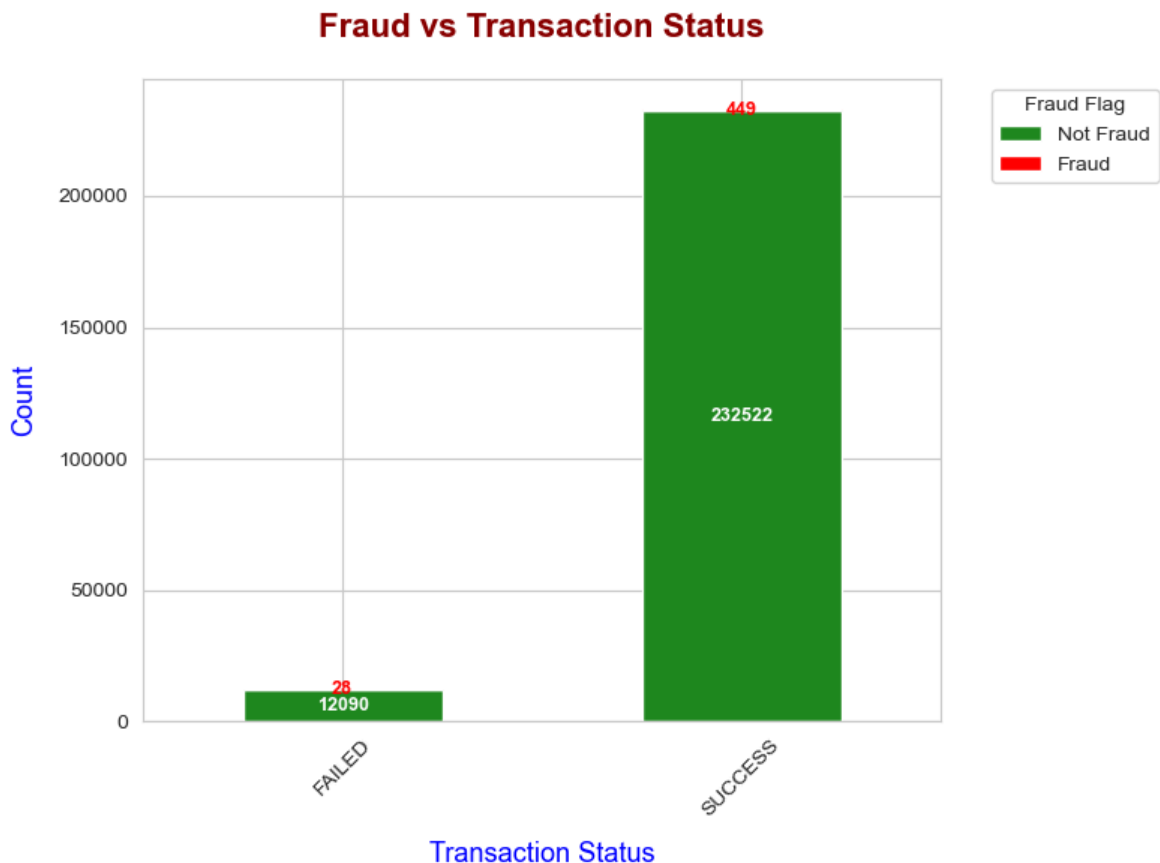
ax = fraud_status.plot(
    kind="bar",
    stacked=True,
    color=["#228B22", "red"], # green = not fraud, red = fraud
    figsize=(8,6)
)

# Add Labels with different text colors
for container in ax.containers:
    for bar in container:
        height = bar.get_height()
        if height > 0: # only label non-zero bars
            # Check if this bar is red (fraud) or green (non-fraud)
            if bar.get_facecolor() == (1.0, 0.0, 0.0, 1.0): # red RGBA
                color = "red" # fraud count label in red
            else:
                color = "white" # non-fraud label in white

            ax.text(
                bar.get_x() + bar.get_width()/2,
                bar.get_y() + height/2,
                f"{int(height)}",
                ha="center", va="center",
                color=color, fontsize=9, fontweight="bold"
            )

plt.title("Fraud vs Transaction Status", color='darkred', fontsize=16, pad=20, f
plt.xlabel("Transaction Status", color='blue', fontsize=13, labelpad=10)
plt.ylabel("Count", color='blue', fontsize=13, labelpad=10)
plt.xticks(rotation=45)
plt.legend(["Not Fraud", "Fraud"], title="Fraud Flag", bbox_to_anchor=(1.05, 1),
plt.tight_layout()
plt.show()
```





## Interpretation – Fraud vs Transaction Status

- **Successful transactions dominate the dataset**, showing the majority of UPI payments are completed without issues.
- **Failed transactions form a smaller share**, but they are still visible in the distribution.
- **Fraudulent transactions (red) are very few compared to non-fraudulent ones**, indicating that most activity is genuine.
- **Both successful and failed transactions contain some fraud cases**, meaning fraudulent attempts occur in different transaction outcomes.
- Overall, the dataset highlights that while fraud exists, it represents only a small fraction of total UPI activity.

### ▲ Top 10 States by Number of Transactions

```
In [47]: state_txn = df.groupby("sender_state", as_index=False)["transaction id"].count()
state_txn.rename(columns={"sender_state": "State", "transaction id": "Transactions"})
state_txn = state_txn.sort_values(by="Transactions", ascending=False).head(10)

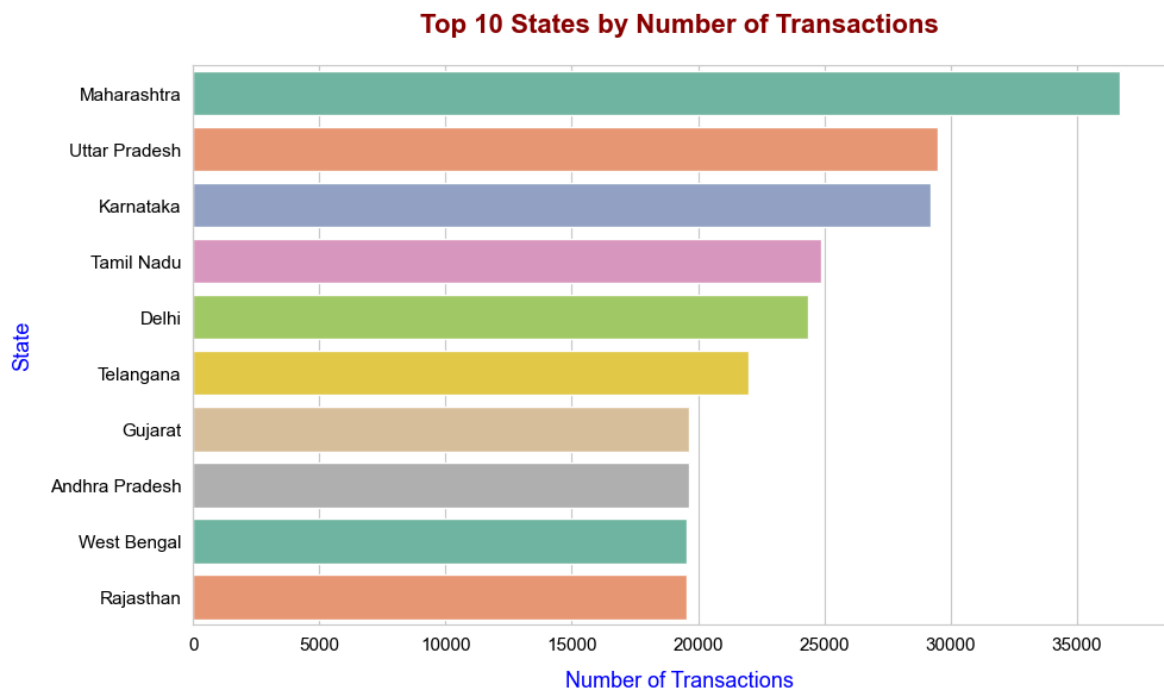
plt.figure(figsize=(10,6))
sns.barplot(
    data=state_txn,
    y="State",
    x="Transactions",
```

```

hue="State",
dodge=False,
palette="Set2",
legend=False
)

plt.title("Top 10 States by Number of Transactions", color='darkred', fontsize=13)
plt.xlabel("Number of Transactions", color='blue', fontsize=13, labelpad=10)
plt.ylabel("State", color='blue', fontsize=13, labelpad=10)
plt.xticks(fontsize=11, color='black')
plt.yticks(fontsize=11, color='black')
plt.tight_layout()
plt.show()

```



## Interpretation – Top 10 States by Number of Transactions

- **Maharashtra records the highest number of transactions**, making it the leading state in UPI activity.
- **Uttar Pradesh and Karnataka follow closely behind**, showing strong adoption of digital payments in both northern and southern regions.
- **Other states like Tamil Nadu, Delhi, Telangana, Gujarat, Andhra Pradesh, West Bengal, and Rajasthan** also contribute significantly, though with comparatively lower volumes.
- **The presence of states from different regions** highlights that UPI adoption is widespread across the country, not limited to metropolitan hubs.
- The overall pattern reflects that digital financial activity is concentrated in economically strong and highly populated states, while steadily expanding across diverse regions in India.

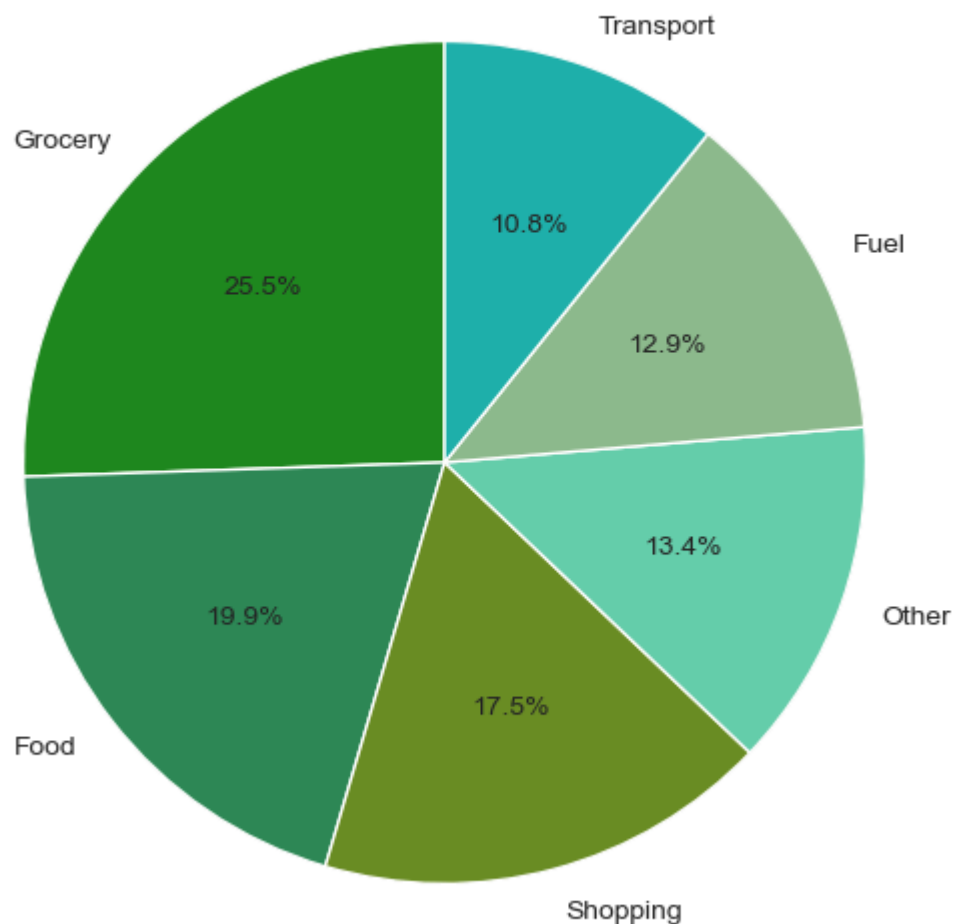
### ▲ Fraud Transactions by Merchant Category

```
In [48]: fraud_merchant = df[df["fraud_flag"] == 1]["merchant_category"].value_counts().h

fraud_merchant.plot(
    kind="pie",
    autopct="%1.1f%%",
    startangle=90,
    colors=["#228B22", "#2E8B57", "#6B8E23", "#66CDAA", "#8FBC8F", "#20B2AA"],
    figsize=(8,6)
)

plt.title("Fraud Transactions by Merchant Category", color='darkred', fontsize=1
plt.ylabel("") # remove default y-label
plt.tight_layout()
plt.show()
```

## Fraud Transactions by Merchant Category



## Interpretation – Fraud Transactions by Merchant Category

- **Grocery holds the largest share of fraud cases (25.5%),** making it the most targeted merchant category.
- **Food-related transactions (19.3%) also face significant fraud attempts,** showing vulnerability in daily spending.

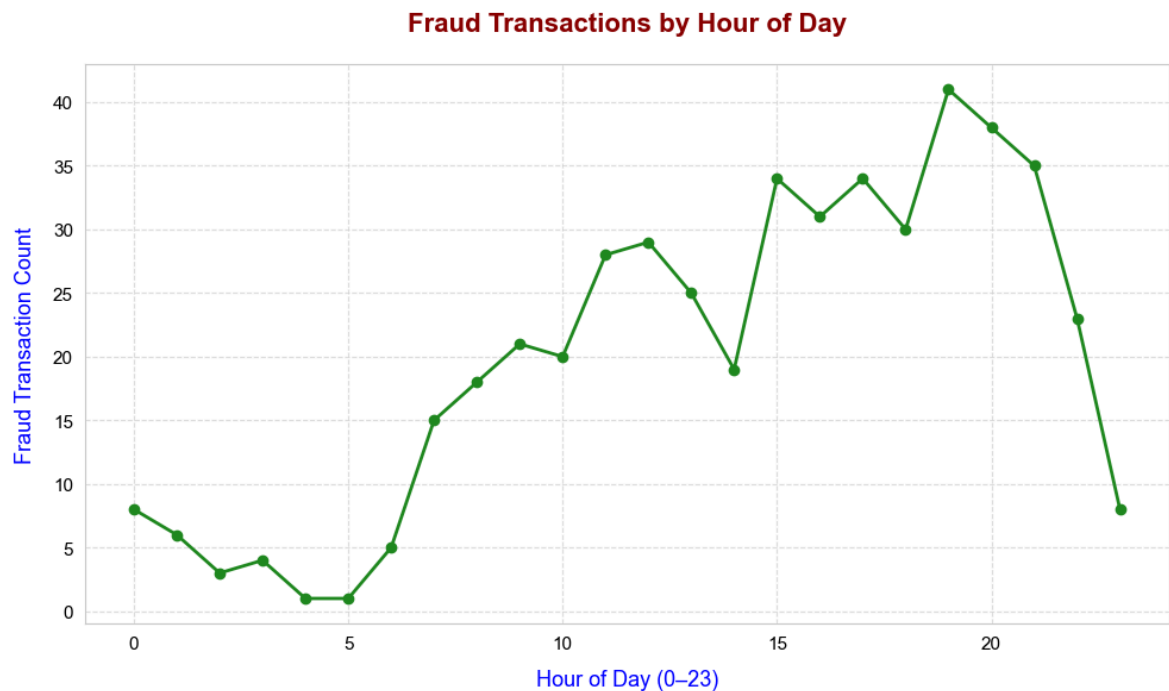
- **Shopping and Other categories each account for around 17%–13%**, highlighting fraud risks in discretionary purchases.
- **Fuel (12.9%) and Transport (10.8%) categories also experience fraud**, though at relatively lower levels compared to Grocery and Food.
- Overall, **essential and high-frequency spending categories (like Grocery and Food) attract the majority of fraud**, reflecting fraudsters' focus on common transaction types.

### ▲ Fraud Transactions by Hour of Day

```
In [49]: fraud_hour = df[df["fraud_flag"] == 1]["hour_of_day"].value_counts().sort_index()

fraud_hour.plot(
    kind="line",
    color="#228B22",
    marker="o",
    linewidth=2,
    figsize=(10,6)
)

plt.title("Fraud Transactions by Hour of Day", color='darkred', fontsize=16, font
plt.xlabel("Hour of Day (0-23)", color='blue', fontsize=13, labelpad=10)
plt.ylabel("Fraud Transaction Count", color='blue', fontsize=13, labelpad=10)
plt.xticks(fontsize=11, color='black')
plt.yticks(fontsize=11, color='black')
plt.grid(True, linestyle="--", alpha=0.6)
plt.tight_layout()
plt.show()
```



### Interpretation – Fraud Transactions by Hour of Day

- **Fraud attempts occur throughout the day**, but their frequency is uneven across different hours.
- **Fraud cases are relatively low in the early morning (0–6 hours)**, suggesting fraudsters are less active at night.
- **The number of fraud transactions increases after 10 AM**, showing more activity during regular business and online shopping hours.
- **Peaks are observed in the late evening (around 20–22 hours)**, which may indicate fraudsters target times when users are more engaged in digital payments.
- Overall, the pattern highlights that fraud activity aligns with general user activity, with fraudsters taking advantage of busy transaction periods.

### ▲ Monthly Transaction Amount by Merchant Category

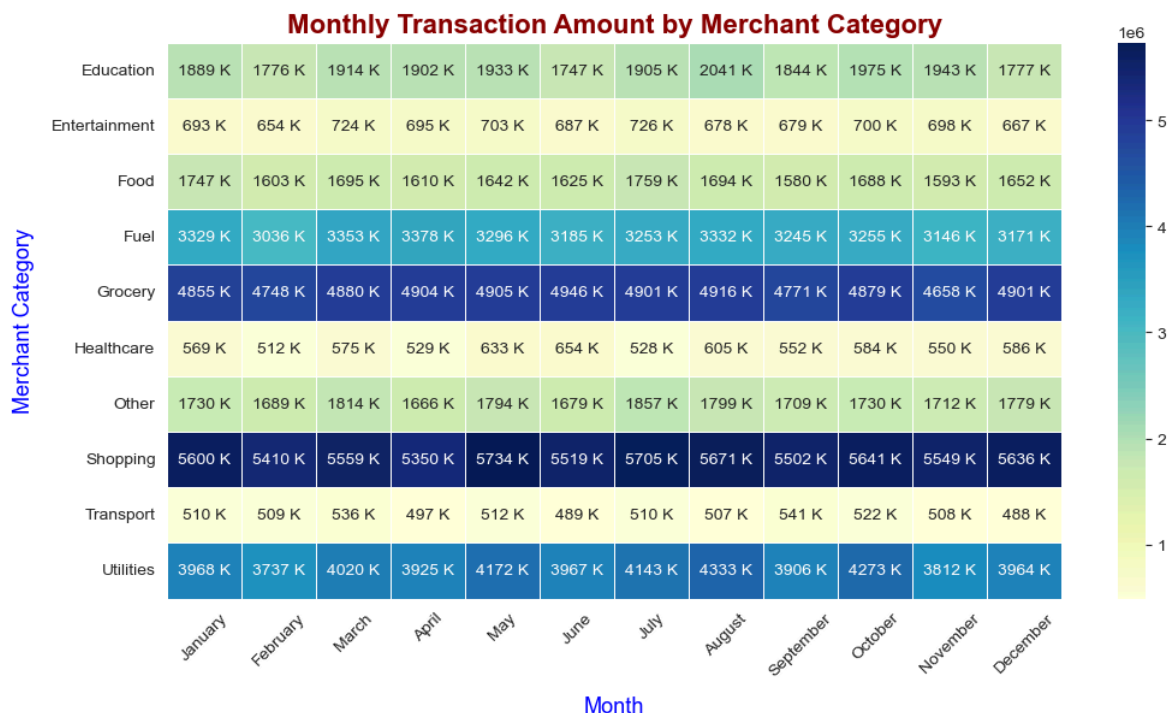
```
In [50]: month_merchant = df.groupby(['month', 'merchant_category'], as_index=False)['amount']
heatmap_data = month_merchant.pivot(index='merchant_category', columns='month',
month_order = ['January', 'February', 'March', 'April', 'May', 'June',
               'July', 'August', 'September', 'October', 'November', 'December']
heatmap_data = heatmap_data[month_order]

def format_k(x):
    if pd.isna(x):
        return ""
    return f"{int(x/1000)} K"

annot_data = heatmap_data.copy()
for col in annot_data.columns:
    annot_data[col] = annot_data[col].map(format_k)

plt.figure(figsize=(12,6))
sns.heatmap(
    heatmap_data,
    annot=annot_data,
    fmt="",
    cmap="YlGnBu",
    linewidths=0.5
)

plt.title("Monthly Transaction Amount by Merchant Category", fontsize=16, fontwe
plt.xlabel("Month", color="blue", fontsize=13, labelpad=10)
plt.ylabel("Merchant Category", color="blue", fontsize=13, labelpad=10)
plt.xticks(rotation=45)
plt.show()
```



## Interpretation – Monthly Transaction Amount by Merchant Category

- **Shopping consistently records the highest transaction amounts**, shown by the darkest heatmap cells and largest K annotations across most months (with noticeable mid-year and year-end peaks).
- **Grocery is the second-highest contributor**, maintaining high and steady monthly volumes just below Shopping.
- **Utilities rank third**, showing consistently strong monthly totals indicative of recurring bill payments.
- **Fuel ranks fourth**, with moderate-to-high amounts that vary seasonally (higher during travel peaks).
- **Education comes after Fuel**, recording moderate but stable totals that are lower than Utilities and Fuel.
- The remaining categories (Food, Healthcare, Transport, Entertainment) show lower totals and more month-to-month variation, while the color-intensity and annotated K-values on the heatmap confirm the overall ranking: **Shopping > Grocery > Utilities > Fuel > Education**.

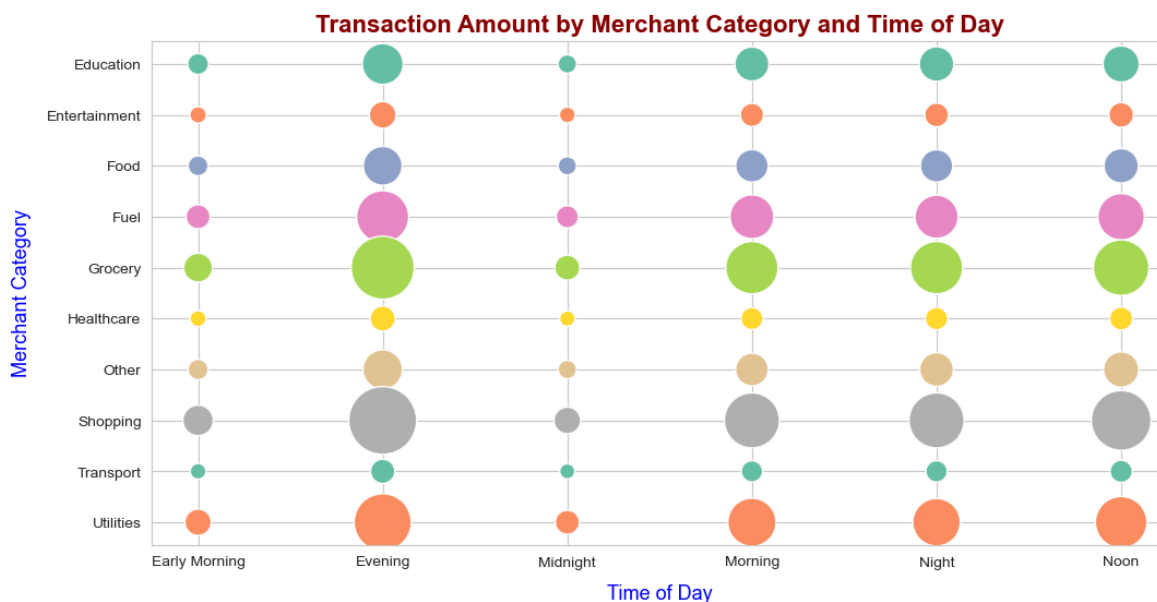
### ▲ Transaction Amount by Merchant Category and Time of Day

```
In [51]: plt.figure(figsize=(12,6))
sns.scatterplot(
    x='time_of_day',
    y='merchant_category',
    size='amount (INR)',
    sizes=(100, 2000), # adjust min/max bubble size
    data=df.groupby(['time_of_day', 'merchant_category'])['amount (INR)'].sum().r
```

```

hue='merchant_category',
palette='Set2',
legend=False
)
plt.title("Transaction Amount by Merchant Category and Time of Day", fontsize=16)
plt.xlabel("Time of Day", color="blue",labelpad=10,fontsize=13)
plt.ylabel("Merchant Category", color="blue",labelpad=10,fontsize=13)
plt.show()

```



## Interpretation – Transaction Amount by Merchant Category and Time of Day

- **Shopping and Grocery dominate the transaction amounts**, with the largest bubbles, showing they are the most preferred spending categories across different times of day.
- **Utilities and Fuel also hold significant shares**, especially during the evening and morning, reflecting essential daily payments.
- **Education and Food transactions are moderate**, occurring steadily throughout the day but with smaller amounts compared to shopping and grocery.
- **Entertainment and Healthcare show smaller bubbles**, suggesting they contribute less to overall transaction value across all time slots.
- **Evening is the peak time for high-value transactions**, where shopping, grocery, and utilities bubbles appear largest, followed by morning activity.
- Overall, **spending behavior is time-sensitive**: essential categories (grocery, fuel, utilities) peak in morning/evening, while discretionary categories (shopping, entertainment) peak in the evening.

## Insight Generation and Report

In order to investigate **user behavior, spending trends, and fraud risks**, this project examined UPI transactions. The results provide a better understanding of digital payment usage and areas for improvement by highlighting distinct trends across **time, age groups, merchants, and transaction outcomes**.

### ▲ Data Understanding

- ◆ Key fields include **Transaction details** (ID, Date, Time, Amount, Payment Mode, Status), **User attributes** (Age Group, Device Type, Network), **Context** (Bank, Merchant Category, Location), and **Fraud flag**.
- ◆ Covers large-scale usage patterns, reflecting real-world adoption, merchant diversity, and fraud risks.

### ▲ Key Insights

- ◆ **UPI usage patterns** – The majority of UPI payments take place in the morning and evening. Although they are less frequent, big-value transactions typically take place in the afternoon and evening.
- ◆ **Top merchant categories** – A few categories like Groceries, Utilities, and E-commerce take the biggest share of payments.
- ◆ **User age groups** – Young users spend more on digital and lifestyle services, while older groups spend more on bills and essentials.
- ◆ **Fraud insights** – Although fraud is rare overall, it is more prevalent late at night and with specific networks and device types.
- ◆ **Transaction success** – The majority of payments go through, but occasionally there are issues during busy periods or with specific banks.
- ◆ **Weekend vs. weekday** – Weekends are spent more on entertainment, dining, and shopping, while weekdays are used for bills and transfers.

### ▲ Correlation & Multivariate Patterns

- ◆ **Transaction Amount × Fraud** – High-value late-night transactions show slightly higher fraud likelihood.
- ◆ **Bank × Success Rate** – Some banks show more failures under peak load compared to others.
- ◆ **Age Group × Merchant Category** – Young users are strongly correlated with **e-commerce & lifestyle**, older groups with **utilities & bills**.
- ◆ **Time of Day × Success Rate** – Evening peak hours slightly reduce success rates due to heavy load.

### ▲ Recommendations

- ◆ **Improve peak-hour reliability** – Strengthen banking infrastructure and server capacity to minimize transaction failures during busy times.



- ◆ **Targeted fraud prevention** – Implement stricter monitoring for late-night transactions, risky device types, and unusual usage spikes.
- ◆ **Customer segmentation** – Design age-specific offers and merchant tie-ups, such as lifestyle deals for younger users and bill-payment benefits for older groups.
- ◆ **Merchant diversification** – Encourage growth in underrepresented categories like travel, dining, and entertainment to balance spending distribution.
- ◆ **Awareness campaigns** – Educate users on safe payment practices, especially during weekends and late-night high-risk periods.

### ▲ Conclusion

- ◆ **UPI adoption** – The ecosystem is deeply integrated into daily life, with peak usage during mornings, evenings, and weekends across all age groups.
- ◆ **User and merchant dynamics** – Younger users drive lifestyle spending, while older users focus on essentials. Groceries, utilities, and e-commerce remain the top categories.
- ◆ **System performance** – Transaction success rates are high overall, but peak-hour failures show the need for stronger infrastructure and backend support.
- ◆ **Risk landscape** – Fraud remains uncommon but concentrated in late-night usage and specific networks, highlighting the need for targeted risk strategies.
- ◆ **Behavioral trends** – Weekdays are dominated by bill payments and transfers, while weekends highlight discretionary spending in entertainment and shopping.

Overall, this study shows how data analysis of UPI transactions can support smarter decisions, improve user experience, and strengthen fraud detection.

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