

:SQL PROJECT:

RCB - IPL StrategyCT

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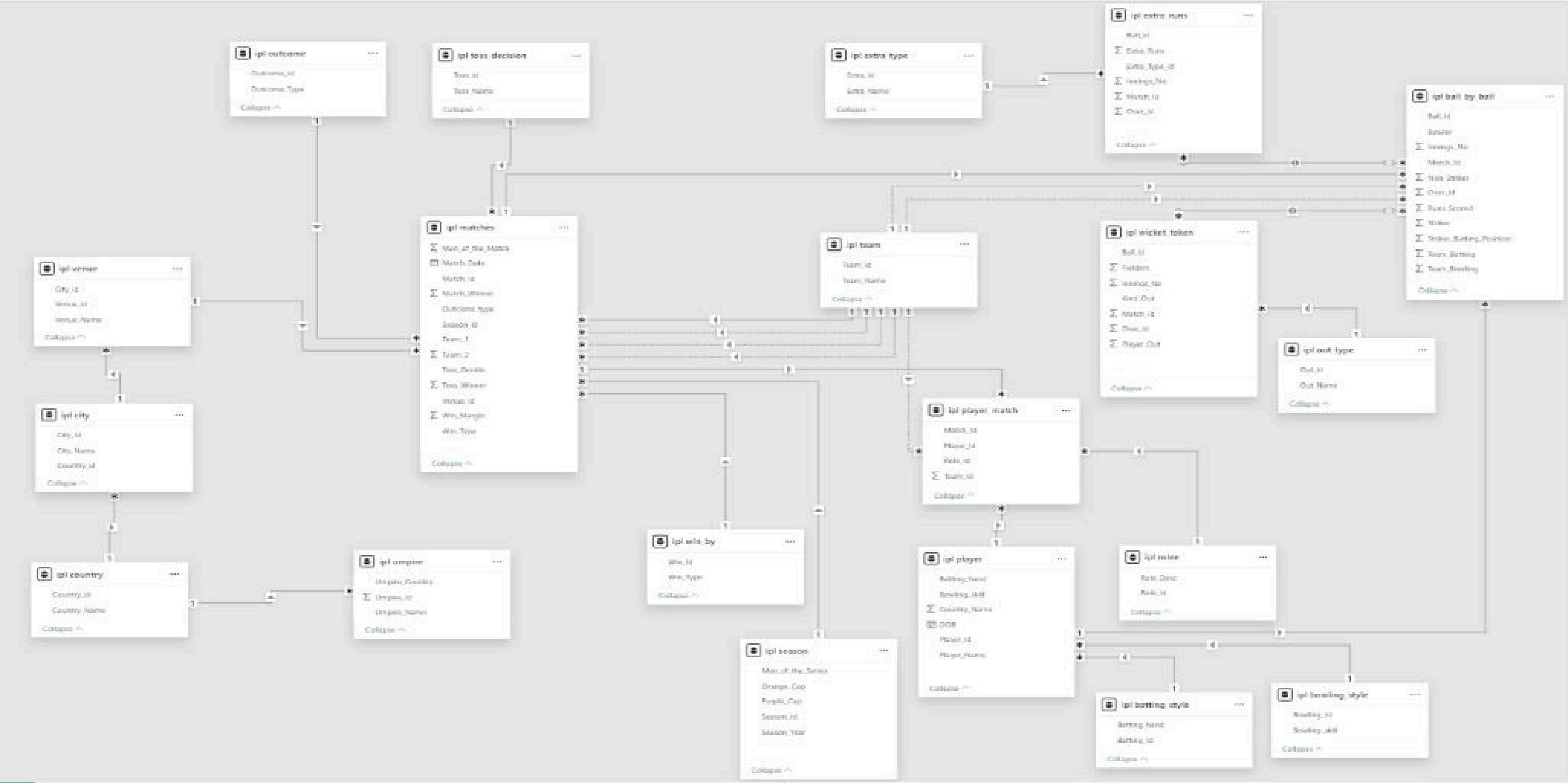
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TOPIC - SQL PROJECT

: PROBLEM STATEMENT :

You are hired as a sports data analyst by RCB where the team is looking for top-performing and reliable players to win tournaments, considering both on-field performance and value for money in mega player auction of 2017. Your task is to come up with strategies/suggestions regarding selecting the best-performing players and optimizing player auction investments.

DATABASE SCHEMA



KEY TABLES USED:

- ball_by_ball, wicket_taken: In-game performance data
- player, role, player_match: Player profiles and match roles
- matches, season: Match metadata and season stats
- team, venue, city: Match context and geography

METHODOLOGY

- Batting Performance Metrics:
Total Runs, Strike Rate, Average, 50s/100s
Query: Aggregate runs & balls faced from ball_by_ball, grouped by Striker
- Bowling Performance Metrics:
Total Wickets, Economy Rate, Bowling Average
Query: Count wickets from wicket_taken, calculate economy using ball_by_ball
- Reliability Index:
Matches Played, Man of the Match count, Match-winning performances
Query: Count of player_match per player + man_of_the_match from matches
- Value for Money (VFM):
Performance metrics vs. cost tier (if no cost data, assume hypothetical tiers)

KEY INSIGHTS

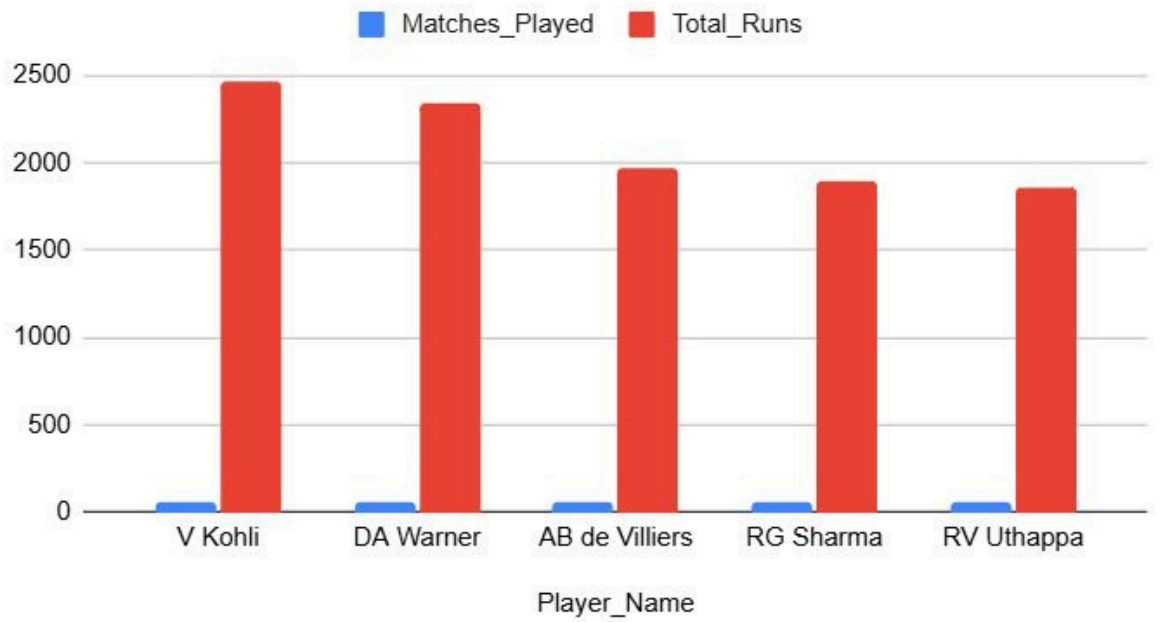
BATTING PERFORMANCE ANALYSIS

```
SELECT
  p.Player_Name,
  COUNT(DISTINCT b.Match_Id) AS Matches_Played,
  SUM(b.Runs_Scored) AS Total_Runs,
  ROUND(SUM(b.Runs_Scored) * 100.0 / COUNT(*), 2) AS Strike_Rate
FROM ball_by_ball b
JOIN matches m ON m.Match_Id = b.Match_Id
JOIN player p ON p.Player_Id = b.Striker
JOIN season s ON m.Season_Id = s.Season_Id
WHERE s.Season_Year <= 2016
GROUP BY p.Player_Name
ORDER BY Total_Runs DESC
LIMIT 5;
```

Player_Name	Matches_Played	Total_Runs	Strike_Rate
V Kohli	62	2472	135.68
DA Warner	61	2348	140.94
AB de Villiers	57	1968	164.27
RG Sharma	64	1899	132.52
RV Uthappa	60	1852	127.11



Matches_Played and Total_Runs

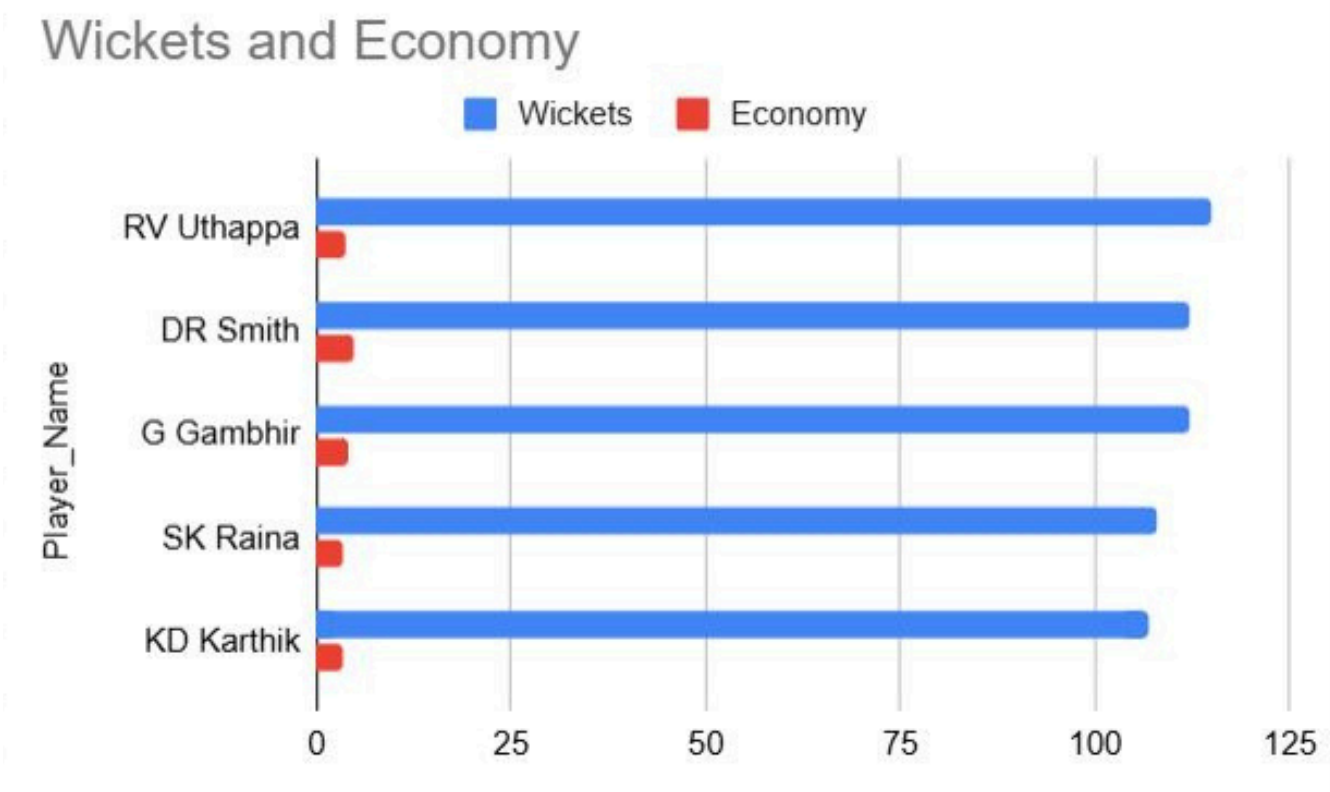


Virat Kohli, Warner, and AB de Villiers dominated IPL batting up to 2016, with high run totals and standout strike rates, especially AB's explosive 164.27.

BOWLING PERFORMANCE ANALYSIS

```
SELECT
  p.Player_Name,
  COUNT(w.Player_out) AS Wickets,
  ROUND(SUM(b.Runs_Scored) * 1.0 / COUNT(DISTINCT b.Over_Id), 2) AS Economy
FROM wicket_taken w
JOIN player p ON p.Player_Id = w.Player_out
JOIN ball_by_ball b ON b.Match_Id = w.Match_Id
  AND b.Over_Id = w.Over_Id
  AND b.Ball_Id = w.Ball_Id
JOIN matches m ON m.Match_Id = w.Match_Id
JOIN season s ON m.Season_Id = s.Season_Id
WHERE s.Season_Year <= 2016
GROUP BY p.Player_Name
ORDER BY Wickets DESC
LIMIT 5;
```

Player_Name	Wickets	Economy
RV Uthappa	115	3.84
DR Smith	112	4.94
G Gambhir	112	4.25
SK Raina	108	3.30
KD Karthik	107	3.47

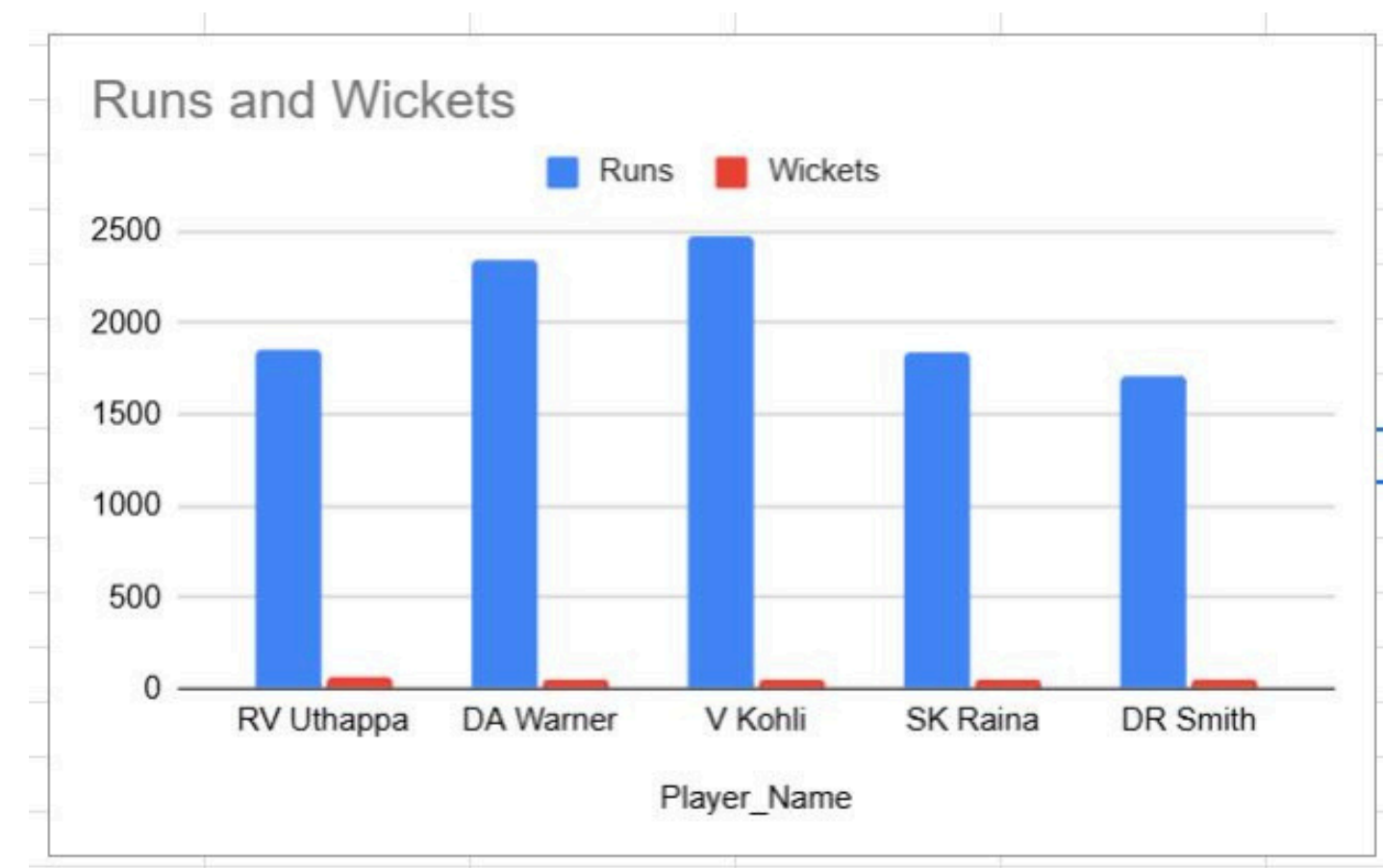


Surprisingly, top wicket-takers up to 2016 include mainly batsmen like Uthappa and Gambhir, suggesting a possible query error in player role identification.

ALL-ROUNDER PERFORMANCE (RUNS + WICKETS)

```
WITH batting AS (  
  SELECT Striker AS Player_Id, SUM(Runs_Scored) AS Total_Runs  
  FROM ball_by_ball b  
  JOIN matches m ON m.Match_Id = b.Match_Id  
  JOIN season s ON s.Season_Id = m.Season_Id  
  WHERE s.Season_Year <= 2016  
  GROUP BY Striker  
,  
bowling AS (  
  SELECT Player_out AS Player_Id, COUNT(*) AS Wickets  
  FROM wicket_taken w  
  JOIN matches m ON m.Match_Id = w.Match_Id  
  JOIN season s ON s.Season_Id = m.Season_Id  
  WHERE s.Season_Year <= 2016  
  GROUP BY Player_out  
)  
SELECT  
  p.Player_Name,  
  COALESCE(b.Total_Runs, 0) AS Runs,  
  COALESCE(w.Wickets, 0) AS Wickets,  
  (COALESCE(b.Total_Runs, 0)/100.0 + COALESCE(w.Wickets, 0)) AS Impact_Score  
FROM player p  
LEFT JOIN batting b ON p.Player_Id = b.Player_Id  
LEFT JOIN bowling w ON p.Player_Id = w.Player_Id  
ORDER BY Impact_Score DESC  
LIMIT 5;
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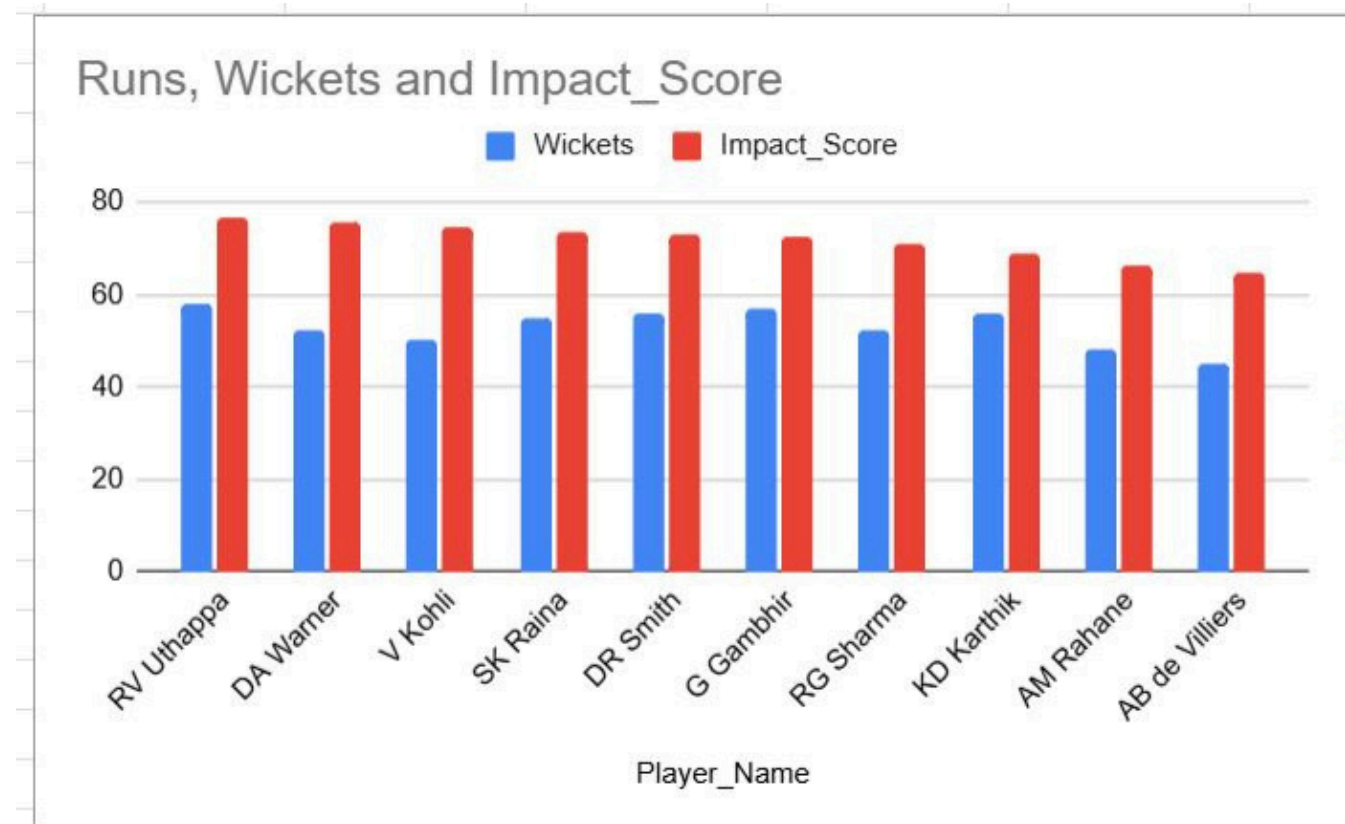
Based on combined batting and bowling stats, RV Uthappa leads the Impact Score chart up to 2016, showcasing his strong all-round contribution in the IPL.



	Player_Name	Runs	Wickets	Impact_Score
	RV Uthappa	1852	58	76.5200
	DA Warner	2348	52	75.4800
	V Kohli	2472	50	74.7200
	SK Raina	1844	55	73.4400
	DR Smith	1707	56	73.0700

VALUE FOR MONEY PLAYERS

```
WITH batting AS (  
  SELECT Striker AS Player_Id, SUM(Runs_Scored) AS Total_Runs  
  FROM ball_by_ball b  
  JOIN matches m ON m.Match_Id = b.Match_Id  
  JOIN season s ON s.Season_Id = m.Season_Id  
  WHERE s.Season_Year <= 2016  
  GROUP BY Striker  
,  
bowling AS (  
  SELECT Player_out AS Player_Id, COUNT(*) AS Total_Wickets  
  FROM wicket_taken w  
  JOIN matches m ON m.Match_Id = w.Match_Id  
  JOIN season s ON s.Season_Id = m.Season_Id  
  WHERE s.Season_Year <= 2016  
  GROUP BY Player_out  
,  
combined AS (  
  SELECT  
    p.Player_Name,  
    COALESCE(b.Total_Runs, 0) AS Runs,  
    COALESCE(w.Total_Wickets, 0) AS Wickets,  
    ROUND(COALESCE(b.Total_Runs, 0)/100.0 + COALESCE(w.Total_Wickets, 0), 2) AS Impact_Score  
  FROM player p  
  LEFT JOIN batting b ON p.Player_Id = b.Player_Id  
  LEFT JOIN bowling w ON p.Player_Id = w.Player_Id  
)  
SELECT  
  Player_Name,  
  Runs,  
  Wickets,  
  Impact_Score,  
  CASE  
    WHEN Impact_Score >= 60 THEN 'Yes'  
    ELSE 'No'  
  END AS Sportman_VFM  
FROM combined  
ORDER BY Impact_Score DESC  
LIMIT 10;
```



Player_Name	Runs	Wickets	Impact_Score	Sportman_VFM
RV Uthappa	1852	58	76.52	Yes
DA Warner	2348	52	75.48	Yes
V Kohli	2472	50	74.72	Yes
SK Raina	1844	55	73.44	Yes
DR Smith	1707	56	73.07	Yes
G Gambhir	1569	57	72.69	Yes
RG Sharma	1899	52	70.99	Yes
KD Karthik	1311	56	69.11	Yes
AM Rahane	1847	48	66.47	Yes
AB de Villiers	1968	45	64.68	Yes

All top 10 players had an Impact Score above 60, making them strong Value-for-Money (VFM) picks with consistent all-round contributions up to 2016.

CONCLUSION :

Data-driven analysis reveals that selecting high-impact, value-for-money players can significantly enhance RCB's chances of winning the IPL 2017.



THANK YOU

