

YouTube Trending Video Analytics Report

Objective

To uncover cross-regional patterns in trending YouTube videos by analyzing large-scale datasets. The focus was on identifying dominant genres, viewer sentiment, and the relationship between trending duration and engagement metrics such as views and likes.

Tools & Technologies Used

- Python: Data cleaning, transformation, sentiment analysis (pandas, TextBlob, matplotlib, seaborn)
- SQL: Category-level ranking using average views
- Tableau: Visual storytelling, dashboard creation, trend comparison across categories and regions

Methodology Overview

1. Data Cleaning & Standardization

- Combined datasets from different countries
- Unified schema, parsed dates, removed duplicates, handled missing values
- Mapped category_id to category_name from JSON files

2. Sentiment Analysis

- Analyzed video titles and tags using TextBlob
- Classified sentiment into: positive, neutral, negative

3. SQL-Based Category Ranking

- Queried average views grouped by category_id

4. Time-Series Analysis

- Measured how long each video stayed trending
- Analyzed correlation between trending duration and views

Key Insights

1. Genre Popularity

- Music dominates monthly view charts, followed by Entertainment and Education.
- Music averages ~96.4M views per video.

2. Seasonal Trends

- Views spike between February and May, with a sharp drop in June.
- Seasonal factors or content availability may influence this pattern.

3. Sentiment Distribution

- Neutral sentiment dominates (~80%)
- Positive sentiment leads to ~2x more likes, especially in Canada, India, and Germany.

4. Trending Duration Impact

- Longer trending videos gain more views (~4% increase per additional day)
- Music shows strong sustained performance over time.

Dashboard Highlights (Tableau)

- Monthly Genre Views – Music dominates in May
- Sentiment vs Region – Positive sentiment strong in CA & IN
- Views vs Days Trending – Music sustains views 20+ days

Recommendations

- Content Creators: Focus on music/education & early traction
- Marketers: Launch campaigns in high-traffic months (Mar–May)
- Analysts: Monitor early signals to predict trending success
- Future Work: Add live YouTube API and advanced NLP

Conclusions

- Music is the most influential genre
- Sentiment impacts engagement – aim for neutral/positive tone
- Trending longevity predicts visibility
- Seasonal timing matters (March–May)

Deliverables

- ✓ Cleaned dataset for analysis & Tableau use
- ✓ SQL and Sentiments insights notebook
- ✓ Interactive Tableau dashboard
- ✓ Summary report (this document)