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# CHAPTER 3

Data Wrangling with Google Sheets

## **Learning Objectives**



Understand how to prepare a small dataset for analysis



Leverage Google Sheets as a data preparation tool



Complete the entire data wrangling workflow on real datasets in Google Sheets



#### Agenda

- Loading Data into Google Sheets
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## Loading Data into Google Sheets



Setting up Google Sheets



Organising data



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# **Inspecting Data**



How to inspect a dataset



#### Google Sheets - Data Inspection

- > Have metadata file on hand
- > Make an outstanding data cleaning action list
- > Check every column of data
- > Look for dirty data





#### Google Sheets - Whole Dataset

Duplicates:

Data > Data clean-up > Remove duplicates

- Missing data:
  - Highlight cells: Format > Conditional formatting
  - Count missing: COUNTBLANK or COUNTIF after column header TRANSPOSE





# Google Sheets – Individual Columns

Data type

- £ % .0<sub>←</sub> .00<sub>→</sub> 123*→*
- > Check for errors and inconsistencies: Data > Column stats
  - Use Pivot table: Insert > Pivot Table
- > Spell check: Tools > Spelling > Spell check





# **Data Cleaning**



Implementing outlined data cleaning operations



### **Data Cleaning Pointers**

> Remove duplicates:

Data > Data clean-up > Remove duplicates

- > Handle missing values:
  - Drop
  - Impute
  - Flag
- Fix inconsistent data entry: Edit > Find and replace
- Data > Data clean-up > Clean-up suggestions





# **Enriching Data**



Applying different data wrangling methods



### Google Sheets – Enriching data

- > Sort columns: Data > Sort Sheet
- Filter columns: Data > Filter views > Create new filter view
- > Split text columns: Data > Split text to columns

OR use LEFT and RIGHT functions

- > Join text columns: CONCATENATE function
- > Extract from text: REGEXMATCH/REGEXEXTRACT





## Verification



Validating data quality



# **Data Cleaning Checklist**





## **Version History & Exporting Data**



Version History



**Exporting data** 



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# **Assignment Information**

Hands-on activity



