Meteorite Landings Analysis

This analysis aims to uncover patterns and trends, in this case a specific focus on identifying geographic distribution of large meteorites.

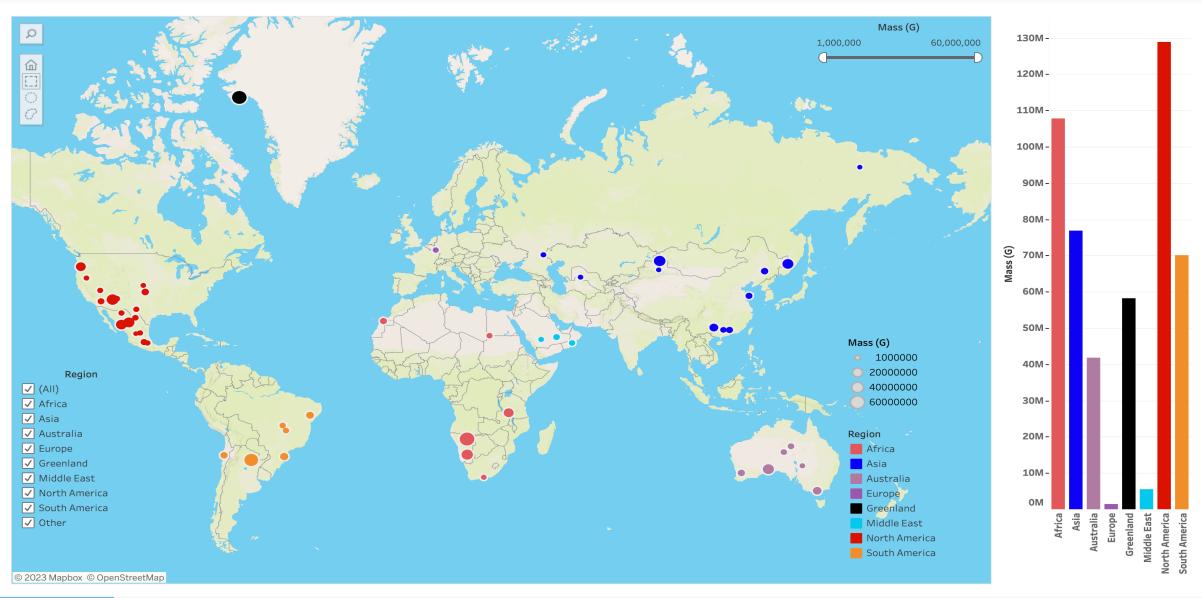
The primary objective is to understand the geographical distribution of the largest meteorites. By pinpointing regions with a higher frequency of large meteorite landings, we can make observations on where these large meteorites land and why this observation is important.

The process:

- 1. Connected Tableau to the dataset containing meteorite landing data.
- 2. Initially, I used the latitude and longitude fields to create a map pinpointing all meteorite landing locations worldwide.
- 3. I created a calculated field to classify meteorites based on mass, filtering out those under 1 million grams. After filtering, I updated the map to show only "heavy" meteorites.
- 4. I grouped the remaining meteorites by the region they were in. I then color-coded the meteorite pins on the map based on the region they belong to.
- 5. Adjusted the size of the pins on the map to reflect the weight of the meteorites. Larger pins represent heavier meteorites.
- 6. Created a separate bar graph visualizing the total grams of "heavy" meteorites in different regions.



Geographic and Mass Analysis: Visualizations



Discoveries, Connections, and Implications

Key Findings:

North American Dominance:

- North America stands out with the highest number of "heavy" meteorites (19) and the highest total grams (128 million).

Africa's Remarkable Impact:

- Africa, with only 6 meteorites, ranks second in total grams (60 million grams) and boasts the heaviest individual meteorite (60 million grams).

Greenland's Noteworthy Contribution:

- Greenland, though having only one meteorite, recorded the second-largest individual meteorite, weighing a substantial 58 million grams.

Connections and Observations:

- A significant number of North America's meteorites are concentrated along the west.
- Regions with more meteorites do not necessarily have the heavier overall mass.
- Africa and Greenland, with fewer meteorites, showcase concentrated impacts with notably heavy meteorites.

Predicting Future Meteorite Landings:

By understanding the most common areas for heavy meteorite landings, we can develop predictive models for potential future events.

Benefits of Predictions:

- Early Warning Systems: Early identification of regions at higher risk allows for the development of early warning systems.
- Infrastructure Protection: Governments and communities can reinforce infrastructure in areas identified as high-risk zones, minimizing potential damage.