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Residential Real Estate Market in São Paulo – Brazil

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- São Paulo: Population 15 million inhabitants
- Metropolitan Area: Population 6 million inhabitants
- Average Daily Commuting Time from Satellite Cities in Metropolitan Area to São Paulo (Home-Work-Home) is 3 hours
- What do these 6 million people want? They want to move to São Paulo
- What kind of Housing do they want? The one that is affordable and suits their “Life Style”, that is, their professional and personal moment in life.



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- **Studio Buyer:** usually a single young person starting a career and who has different values from their parents. A car is no longer desirable and Uber or Public Transportation are preferred. Technology-addicted with a taste for cosmopolitan cuisines;



- **Regular Buyer:** for them being married is the most common marital status and they want a place to live for several years and build a family. They are people that **could** once have been Studio buyers but also people from neighbor towns that want to save precious time by quitting commuting. Car (or cars) is a statement of social position and so are expensive Health plans;



- **Investor Buyer:** this buyer is the most senior of all types. It is common in Brazil people who retire but still need to have income. Some of these people acquire apartments (and houses) to rent. They might acquire any type of housing, Studios or Regulars, in any combination they think may maximize their income.

A little bit into the Model.

✓ *Professionals targeted:*

Taking into account everything that was briefly explained above, the underlying idea for this Notebook lies on providing **Potential Buyers and Residential Real Estate Professionals** an index-based tool to help them identifying their targets and making together the best of business opportunities.

✓ *Methodology:*

- Selection of 25 São Paulo boroughs, known for decades as the best locations in the city for real estate investment;
 - Extraction by Foursquare API of all interesting venues around each of these boroughs;
 - Further Classification of borough venues. It means concatenation of similar ones into a wider one (Bar and Pub tags into one single tag "Bar");
 - Development of "Buyer-Drivers-and-Preferences" dataframe which will lock to the Classification labels built on previous item;
 - **"Attractiveness Index"** calculation which will be the multiplication of the number(frequency) of venue occurrence by the "power of attraction" it displays for each type of buyer. It is a Weighted Average calculation;
 - Index-based Decisions, Insights and Statistical Inferences
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Boroughs and Geographical Coordinates.

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[72]: # drops columns no longer useful
new_sp_df = sp_df.drop('Decision', 1)
new_sp_df.head()

[72]:

	Borough	Venue_Name	Business_Category	Venue_Latitude	Venue_Longitude
0	Bela Vista	Estação Higienópolis - Mackenzie (Metrô)	Metro Station	-23.548846	-46.652371
1	Bela Vista	Palácio Paralelo	Snack Place	-23.549162	-46.652235
2	Bela Vista	Santa Gula	Restaurant	-23.547085	-46.649708
3	Bela Vista	Edifício Consolata	Residential Building (Apartment / Condo)	-23.549069	-46.652204
4	Bela Vista	Estação Luz (CPTM)	Train Station	-23.536232	-46.634527

Step 05:

Frequency of Venue Type Occurrence Calculation

[73]: sampa_onehot = pd.get_dummies(new_sp_df[['Business_Category']], prefix="", prefix_sep="")
sampa_onehot['Borough'] = new_sp_df['Borough']

fixed_columns = [sampa_onehot.columns[-1]] + list(sampa_onehot.columns[:-1]) #establishes column sequence(order)
sampa_onehot = sampa_onehot[fixed_columns]

sampa_grouped = sampa_onehot.groupby('Borough').mean().reset_index()

What the Boroughs have to offer or What people want

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	Borough	Services (Sales & Maintenance)	Bank	Bar	Bus Line	Bus Stop	Church & Temple	Clothing & Shoes	Coffee Shop	Coworking Space	Dentist's Office	Doctor's Office	Educational Services	Electronics & Mobile	St
0	Analia Franco	0.028571	0.071429	0.000000	0.014286	0.014286	0.014286	0.242857	0.042857	0.000000	0.014286	0.028571	0.100000	0.057143	0.00
1	Barra Funda	0.027778	0.055556	0.013889	0.055556	0.013889	0.000000	0.013889	0.027778	0.083333	0.000000	0.013889	0.000000	0.027778	0.01
2	Bela Vista	0.076923	0.000000	0.076923	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.019231	0.019231	0.019231	0.019231	0.038462	0.076923	0.000000	0.00
3	Brooklyn	0.023256	0.034884	0.011628	0.023256	0.081395	0.000000	0.011628	0.011628	0.034884	0.011628	0.023256	0.011628	0.000000	0.02
4	Butanta	0.034884	0.069767	0.011628	0.151163	0.104651	0.000000	0.011628	0.081395	0.011628	0.046512	0.023256	0.011628	0.023256	0.00
5	Campo Belo	0.051948	0.012987	0.025974	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.038961	0.000000	0.025974	0.025974	0.103896	0.025974	0.012987	0.01
6	Cerqueira Cesar	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.012987	0.012987	0.142857	0.051948	0.051948	0.025974	0.038961	0.038961	0.012987	0.00
7	Higienopolis	0.000000	0.085106	0.021277	0.021277	0.042553	0.000000	0.042553	0.106383	0.021277	0.042553	0.063830	0.063830	0.000000	0.02
8	Ipiranga	0.169492	0.033898	0.033898	0.000000	0.000000	0.033898	0.000000	0.016949	0.067797	0.000000	0.000000	0.152542	0.000000	0.03
9	Lapa	0.047059	0.023529	0.000000	0.000000	0.011765	0.023529	0.035294	0.023529	0.035294	0.070588	0.058824	0.023529	0.023529	0.02
10	Moema	0.036364	0.090909	0.000000	0.000000	0.018182	0.018182	0.236364	0.072727	0.000000	0.072727	0.054545	0.000000	0.054545	0.03
11	Mooca	0.061728	0.037037	0.061728	0.012346	0.012346	0.012346	0.024691	0.024691	0.049383	0.012346	0.049383	0.037037	0.012346	0.03
12	Morumbi	0.101695	0.016949	0.050847	0.050847	0.016949	0.016949	0.000000	0.016949	0.000000	0.000000	0.016949	0.033898	0.000000	0.03
13	Paraisopolis	0.010638	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.010638	0.010638	0.031915	0.053191	0.085106	0.031915	0.021277	0.00
14	Paulista	0.000000	0.034884	0.000000	0.011628	0.023256	0.000000	0.000000	0.023256	0.069767	0.011628	0.034884	0.046512	0.011628	0.00
15	Pendico	0.159420	0.000000	0.000000	0.014493	0.014493	0.000000	0.043478	0.028986	0.043478	0.000000	0.028986	0.014493	0.014493	0.04
16	Pinheiros	0.030303	0.075758	0.000000	0.000000	0.015152	0.000000	0.075758	0.045455	0.030303	0.015152	0.060606	0.015152	0.000000	0.04
17	Santa Cecilia	0.000000	0.000000	0.011765	0.000000	0.011765	0.000000	0.023529	0.023529	0.035294	0.082353	0.058824	0.000000	0.000000	0.00

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[75]:

weights = pd.read_excel("sp_attraction_values.xlsx")

weights.head()

[75]:

	Buyer Type	Automotive Services (Sales & Maintenance)	Bank	Bar	Bus Line	Bus Stop	Church & Temple	Clothing & Shoes	Coffee Shop	Coworking Space	Dentist's Office	Doctor's Office	Educational Services	Electronics & Mobile	Gas Station	Gym	Laundry Service	(H Lat
0	Studio Buyer	0.00	0.00	0.02	0.05	0.05	0.02	0.040	0.05	0.05	0.02	0.02	0.05	0.05	0.00	0.05	0.05	
1	Regular Buyer	0.10	0.04	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.08	0.007	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.04	0.02	0.06	0.10	0.00	0.01	
2	Investor Buyer	0.03	0.01	0.01	0.04	0.04	0.05	0.020	0.03	0.04	0.04	0.03	0.05	0.05	0.03	0.03	0.03	

[76]:

weights.shape[0]

[76]:

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Step 07:

Final Dataframe Definition (Attractiveness Indexes) and Software-Oriented Decision

[77]:

define the dataframe columns

column_names = ['Borough', 'Attraction_Value_Studio', 'Attraction_Value_Regular', 'Attraction_Value_Investor', 'Classification']

instantiate the dataframe

sp_attract_df = pd.DataFrame(columns=column_names)

[78]:

sp_attract_df.head()

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	Borough	Attraction_Value_Studio	Attraction_Value_Regular	Attraction_Value_Investor	Classification
0	Analia Franco	34.8571	31.5571	32	1
1	Barra Funda	65	57.7361	60.2778	1
2	Bela Vista	39.0385	39.5577	42.6923	3
3	Brooklyn	60.6977	51.2442	57.6744	1
4	Butanta	43.3721	35.5465	40.9302	1
5	Campo Belo	44.026	47.8052	44.2857	2
6	Cerqueira Cesar	39.8701	31.2597	35.974	1
7	Higienopolis	33.8298	32.6383	36.5957	3
8	Ipiranga	41.0169	55.4237	46.1017	2
9	Lapa	37.0588	41.1882	38.7059	2
10	Moema	28.5455	31.8364	27.6364	2
11	Mooca	32.716	38.321	36.2963	2
12	Morumbi	25.7627	40.339	35.2542	2
13	Paraíso	52.5532	49.6489	55.4255	3
14	Paulista	74.0698	56.0465	66.8605	1
15	Perdizes	42.3188	53.058	47.5362	2
16	Pinheiros	44.2424	48.5606	44.5455	2
17	Santa Cecilia	43.0588	38.9882	46.8235	3
18	Santana	42.6136	30.0227	40.5682	1

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print("The 5th best Borough in São Paulo for Regular buyers is {} with an Attractiveness Index of {}".format(bestRegular['Borough'][4], be
print()
bestInvestor = bestRegular.sort_values('Attraction_Value_Investor', ascending=False).reset_index(drop=True)
print("C) Top Five Boroughs for Investor Buyers")
print("The 1st best Borough in São Paulo for Investor buyers is {} with an Attractiveness Index of {}".format(bestInvestor['Borough'][0],
print("The 2nd best Borough in São Paulo for Investor buyers is {} with an Attractiveness Index of {}".format(bestInvestor['Borough'][1],
print("The 3rd best Borough in São Paulo for Investor buyers is {} with an Attractiveness Index of {}".format(bestInvestor['Borough'][2],
print("The 4th best Borough in São Paulo for Investor buyers is {} with an Attractiveness Index of {}".format(bestInvestor['Borough'][3],
print("The 5th best Borough in São Paulo for Investor buyers is {} with an Attractiveness Index of {}".format(bestInvestor['Borough'][4],
print()

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A) Top Five Boroughs for Studio Buyers

The 1st best Borough in São Paulo for Studio buyers is Vila Olimpia with an Attractiveness Index of 76.66666666666666

The 2nd best Borough in São Paulo for Studio buyers is Paulista with an Attractiveness Index of 74.06976744186046

The 3rd best Borough in São Paulo for Studio buyers is Barra Funda with an Attractiveness Index of 65.0

The 4th best Borough in São Paulo for Studio buyers is Brooklyn with an Attractiveness Index of 60.697674418604656

The 5th best Borough in São Paulo for Studio buyers is Paraíso with an Attractiveness Index of 52.5531914893617

B) Top Five Boroughs for Regular Buyers

The 1st best Borough in São Paulo for Regular buyers is Vila Olimpia with an Attractiveness Index of 60.397849462365585

The 2nd best Borough in São Paulo for Regular buyers is Santo Amaro with an Attractiveness Index of 58.11111111111111

The 3rd best Borough in São Paulo for Regular buyers is Barra Funda with an Attractiveness Index of 57.73611111111111

The 4th best Borough in São Paulo for Regular buyers is Paulista with an Attractiveness Index of 56.046511627906966

The 5th best Borough in São Paulo for Regular buyers is Ipiranga with an Attractiveness Index of 56.046511627906966

C) Top Five Boroughs for Investor Buyers

The 1st best Borough in São Paulo for Investor buyers is Vila Olimpia with an Attractiveness Index of 67.84946236559139

The 2nd best Borough in São Paulo for Investor buyers is Paulista with an Attractiveness Index of 66.86046511627906

The 3rd best Borough in São Paulo for Investor buyers is Barra Funda with an Attractiveness Index of 60.27777777777777

The 4th best Borough in São Paulo for Investor buyers is Brooklyn with an Attractiveness Index of 57.674418604651166

The 5th best Borough in São Paulo for Investor buyers is Paraíso with an Attractiveness Index of 55.42553191489362

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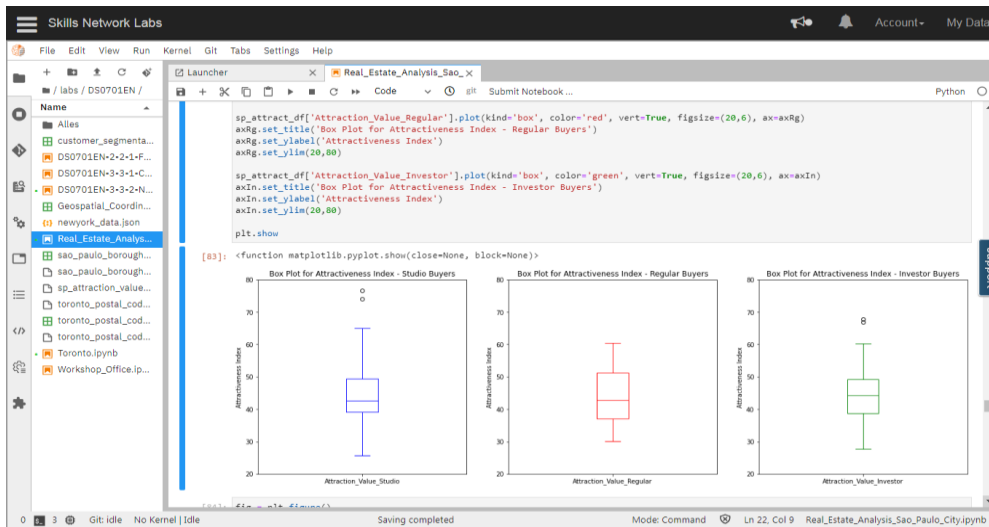
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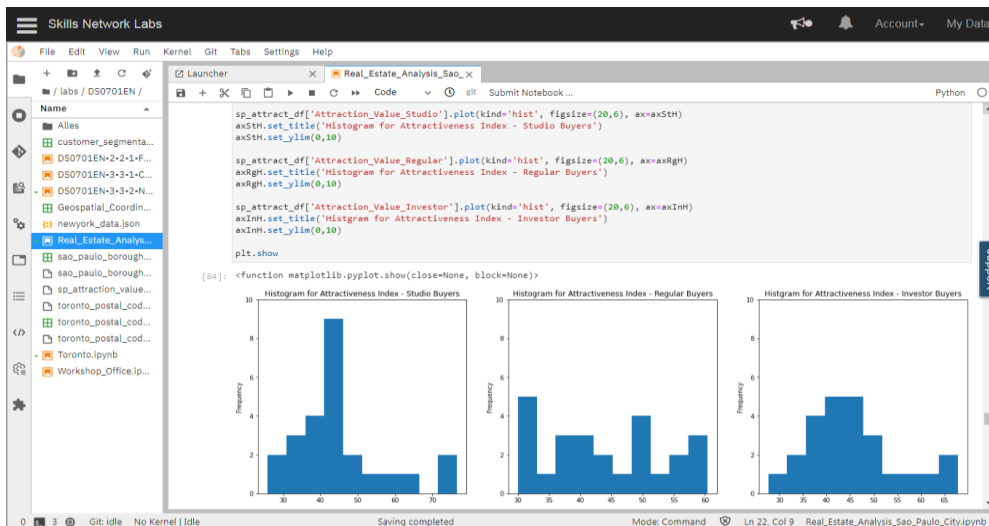
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Box Plot:

Dispersion for Studio **Attr_Idx** is the highest of all three and it probably indicates that Real Estate Enterprises are doing their homework as they have been placing their "Studio Launch Sites" in areas already perceived by prospective buyers as very promising to their life style.

Now, putting Interquartile Range (IQR) under the microscope for all three Buyers' profile shows Regular **Attr_Idx** displays the broadest dispersion which is clearly visible by histogram visual inspection. Regular Buyer is the most frequent buyer in Showrooms and this availability in numbers translates into a more diverse palette of needs and preferences. It explains this 'fatter' histogram without any clear unique peak.



Histogram:

Still about IQR and histograms, **Attr_Idx** for Studio and Investor profiles show a slight tendency to symmetry, albeit being asymmetrical. The former displays a peak that indicates more focus from buyers and sellers and the latter displays a hedge-like behaviour as the result of a balanced-game between Studio and Regular profiles.

Finally, the Median (Q2) for the three **Attr_Idx** are very similar (as the mean average) which could indicate that the whole Residential Real Estate Market for Studios is still in its infancy in São Paulo and perhaps there are still room for information delivery and training for Sellers in order to improve their delivery and minimize gray areas for buyers' clear understanding.

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Blue Dots: Studio Profile

Green Dots: Regular Profile

Red Dots: Investor Profile

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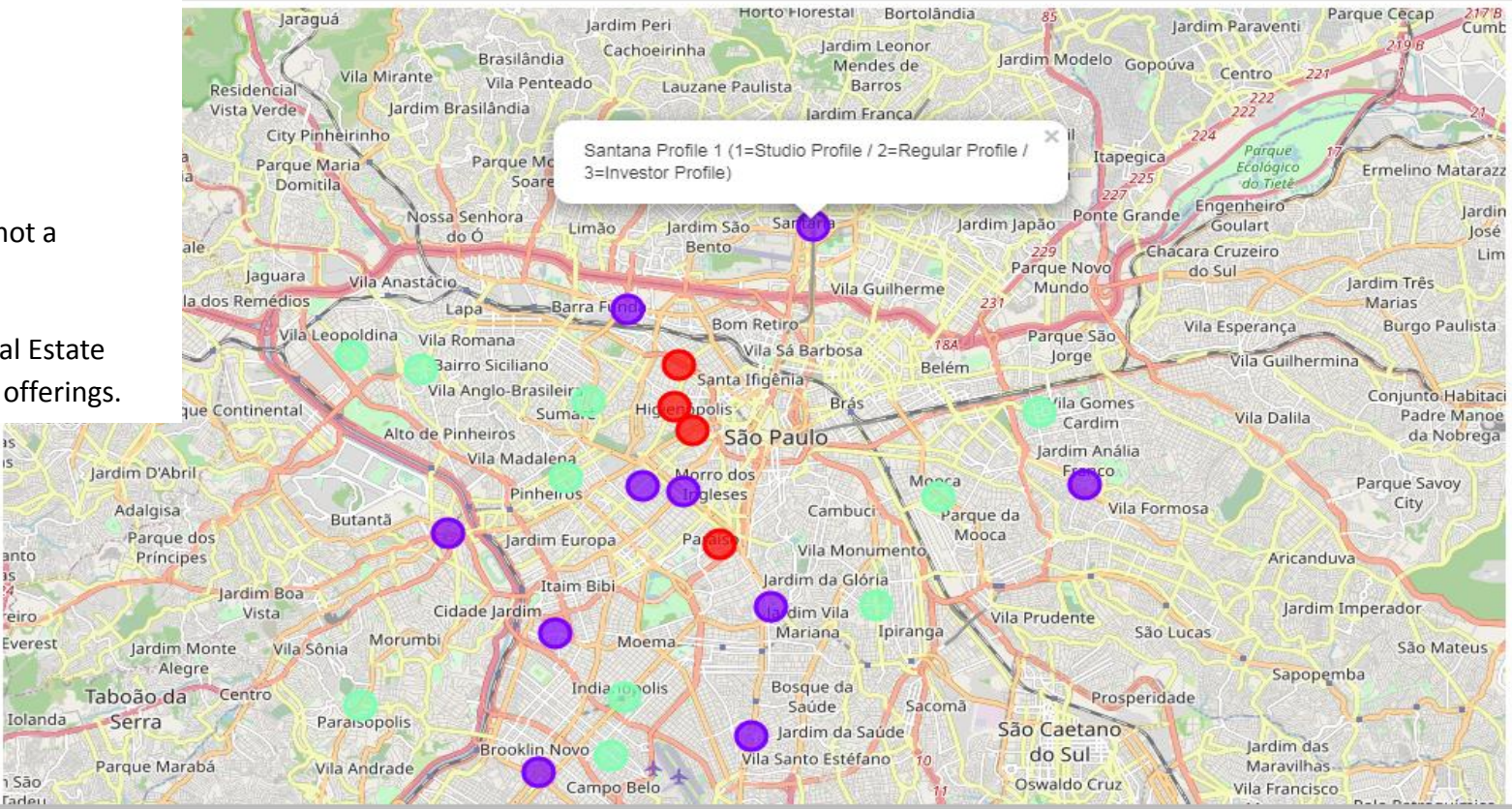
However, it may help future Real Estate Enterprises calibrate their next offerings.

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Santana Profile 1 (1=Studio Profile / 2=Regular Profile / 3=Investor Profile)

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- ❖ Regardless of Buyer Profile, Vila Olimpia Borough topped the bill three times which comes at no surprise at all as lots of Tech Companies and Start-Ups are establishing themselves in the area, nicknamed by the media as the SP Silicon Valley;
 - ❖ Paulista borough also appears on the 3 rankings but it is less regarded by Regular buyers than by others. It is a borough characterized by lots of financial companies, services and government buildings making it not a good decision to raise kids, but a good one for young people and investors;
 - ❖ Talking about Buyer Profile, choices for Studio and Investor Buyers were the same for the Top Five positions. Although it might look confusing, there is an underlying logic as Investors want the highest possible ROI, the faster the better. It takes less time to build Studio apartments and tenant turnaround is expected to be higher thus generating quick profit;
 - ❖ Not a single 'Downtown' borough made the Top Five. Unfortunately, this was expected as these boroughs are still linked to a bad reputation. São Paulo downtown got in the 70's and 80's;
 - ❖ Another borough absent from Top Five is Morumbi, a former powerful attractor area in past decades but still lacking improvements like subway lines that are yet to reach the borough and houses are still the most common housing. Being at the 'wrong side of the tracks', that is, at the west bank of Pinheiros river does not help either as it is widely accepted that such locations devalue any Real Estate investment;
 - ❖ In general terms, the Model works fine as it translates what is known as "common sense" into data-based recommendations for both sides of the equation (buyers and sellers). **Further enhancements could be added to it in next versions like financial data to reckon ROI versus land value (BRL/sqmt) or it could provide interaction with users via website to make the decision process faster.**
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