## Dockerized Flask Real Estate API with frontend

This is a service that provides users with detailed and downloadable data about real estate adverts. Source of the data is my web scraping program that searches real estate listings and produces raw JSON files that are processed into MySQL tables. The service also has a simple and user friendly frontend with form to download data.

The entire app is dockerized and after cloning its git repository on: github.com/Bogsatchio/real\_estate\_dockerized\_API it can be launched with simple command: **docker compose up -d** 

It consists of two container with database and the service itself

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[+] Building 0.0s (0/0)
[+] Running 3/3

✓ Network prod_api_realestate_default Created

✓ Container mysql Started

✓ Container api_service Started
```

## Technologies used:

- Selenium & BeautifulSoup for webscraping
- Flask for a setup of a general service
- Pandas for data manipulation and data cleaning
- MySQL for database
- Jinja for HTML templating

## **Detailed app architecture and functionality:**

Web scraping selenium program in a folder *local\_realestate\_scrap* saves the JSON data into *data* folder. From this folder the running service can load the files into a database.

data\_prep\_and\_insert.py is a main script that handles the database connectivity and cleaning as well as transforming the data.

/refresh endpoint activates the function that first scans the data folder and the metadata table processed\_files and loads only the files that aren't yet present into the database.

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1 ▼ {
2 ▼ "files_added": [
3     "2024-01-08-10-05_Plock_min30_max100",
4     "2024-01-10-16-52_Plock_min30_max100",
5     "2024-01-11-09-09_Radom_min50_max55",
7     "2024-01-13-10-43_Radom_min50_max53",
8     "2024-01-14-11-22_Radom_min50_max53",
```

/truncate\_all endpoint cleans the entire database

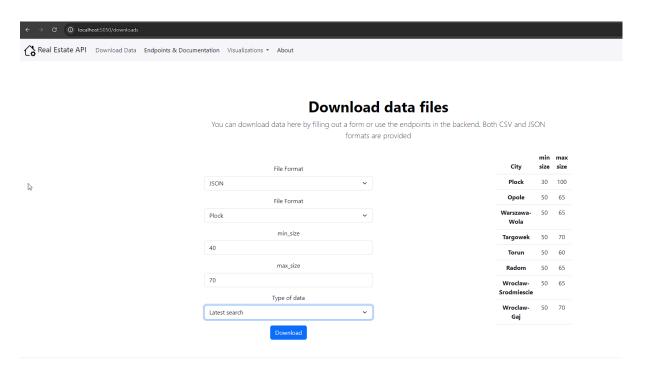
Data in the app persists because of docker volume meaning they don't need to be loaded with every launch.

The API endpoints can be accessed directly via endpoint in a browser or other program as well as via simple frontend interface on:

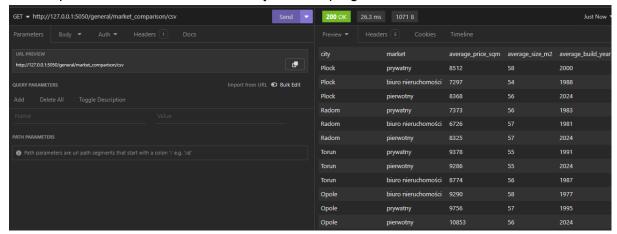
http://localhost:5050



The endpoint aggregated data can be downloaded in CSV or JSON formats by filling out special form with dynamic field validation based on data present in the database

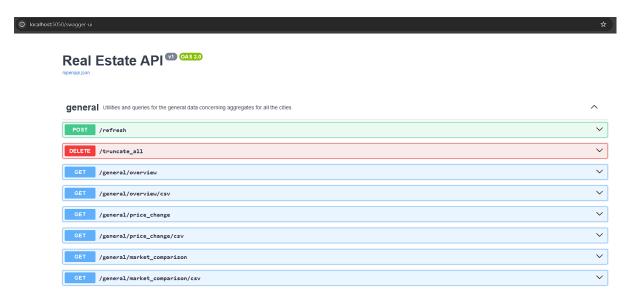


API endpoints can also be viewed in any suitable program



The list of endpoint and their documentation can be found in swagger UI that is also implemented by the application and available on:

http://localhost:5050/swagger-ui



Visualisations on frontend site are still work in progress