# **Predicting Seasonal Flu Vaccination Uptake**

### **Final Project Submission**

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## **Business Understanding**

### **Project Background**

Vaccination is a critical public health intervention for controlling and preventing the spread of infectious diseases. By providing immunization at an individual level and fostering herd immunity within communities, vaccines play a very important role in safeguarding global health. In 2009, the H1N1 influenza virus, commonly known as "swine flu," caused a global pandemic, resulting in an estimated 151,000 to 575,000 deaths worldwide in its first year. To combat this pandemic, an H1N1 vaccine was made available in October 2009.

The United States National 2009 H1N1 Flu Survey, conducted in late 2009 and early 2010, collected data on vaccination uptake for both H1N1 and seasonal flu. The survey explored respondents' vaccination status alongside information about their socioeconomic and demographic backgrounds, health behaviors, and opinions on vaccine efficacy and illness risk. This project therefore seeks to guide furture public health strategies by providing valuable insights into the factors influencing the vaccination patterns through a thorough analysis of the dataset provided.

### **Problem Statement**

Understanding the factors that influence vaccination decisions is essential for designing effective public health campaigns. Despite the availability of vaccines for the seasonal flu, uptake rates varied significantly among different population groups. The challenge lies in identifying and analyzing the individual and social factors that determine vaccine adoption, which is critical for improving vaccination rates and achieving herd immunity during pandemics.

## **General Objective**

To understand which factors influence the uptake of the seasonal flu vaccine.

### **Specific Objectives**

 To determine how socioeconomic factors influence an individual's uptake of the seasonal flu vaccines.

- 2. To determine how behavioral factors influence an individual's uptake of the seasonal flu vaccines.
- 3. To determine how demographic background factors influence an individual's uptake of the seasonal flu vaccines.
- 4. To understand how an individual's knowledge, perception, and attitude towards seasonal flu vaccines influence the uptake of the vaccines.

### **Research Questions**

- 1. How do socioeconomic factors influence an individual's uptake of the seasonal flu vaccines?
- 2. What is the impact of behavioral factors on an individual's uptake of the seasonal flu vaccines?
- 3. How do demographic background factors affect an individual's uptake of the seasonal flu vaccines?
- 4. How does an individual's knowledge, perception, and attitude towards seasonal flu vaccines influence the uptake of the vaccines?

## **Data Understanding**

The National 2009 H1N1 Flu Survey (NHFS) was conducted between October 2009 and June 2010 to assess the uptake of H1N1 and seasonal flu vaccines in the United States. The survey was designed as a phone-based data collection effort, targeting a representative sample of the U.S. population. Key data collected included:

- 1. **Vaccination Status**: Whether respondents received the H1N1 vaccine, the seasonal flu vaccine, both, or neither.
- 2. **Demographic Information**: Age, gender, race/ethnicity, income level, and education.
- 3. **Health Behaviors**: Preventative practices such as handwashing and mask usage.
- 4. **Opinions and Perceptions**: Views on vaccine efficacy, risks of illness, and general attitudes toward vaccination.
- 5. **Socioeconomic Context**: Factors that might influence access to healthcare services, such as insurance status and geographic location.

The data is composed of approximately 26,000 instances of individual data and vaccine decision information.

### **Data Source**

The data used for this project comes from the National 2009 H1N1 Flu Survey (NHFS) and was provided courtesy of the United States National Center for Health Statistics.

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS). National Center for Health Statistics. The National 2009 H1N1 Flu Survey. Hyattsville, MD: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 2012.

The data labels and features are as described in this link.

### **Data Science Cycle**

The CRoss Industry Standard Process for Data Mining (CRISP-DM) was used for the analyzes of data. https://www.datascience-pm.com/crisp-dm-2/

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Note: you may need to restart the kernel to use updated packages.
# import Libraries
import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
import seaborn as sns
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
from sklearn.linear model import LinearRegression
from sklearn.linear model import LogisticRegression
from sklearn.preprocessing import OneHotEncoder
from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler
from sklearn.metrics import mean squared error
from sklearn.metrics import confusion matrix
from sklearn.ensemble import RandomForestRegressor
from sklearn.model selection import train test split
from sklearn.feature selection import SelectKBest
from sklearn.feature selection import chi2
from sklearn.metrics import accuracy score, recall score,
precision score, fl score
from sklearn.model selection import GridSearchCV
from sklearn.metrics import roc curve, roc auc score
from sklearn.dummy import DummyClassifier
from sklearn.ensemble import ExtraTreesClassifier
from xgboost import XGBClassifier
from scipy.stats.mstats import winsorize
import missingno as msno
import warnings
warnings.filterwarnings('ignore')
```

## Import the data sets

```
#import datasets

target = pd.read_csv("training_set_labels.csv")
train = pd.read_csv("training_set_features.csv")
test = pd.read_csv("test_set_features.csv")
```

```
# Display the first few rows of each DataFrame to ensure data loading
was successful
print("\nTarget Labels:")
print(target.head())
print("Training Data:")
print(train.head())
print("\nTest Data:")
print(test.head())
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## Data Exploration and data Cleaning

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#Examine Data Shape and Size

print("Target Shape:", target.shape)
print("Train Shape:", train.shape)
print("Test Shape:", test.shape)

Target Shape: (26707, 3)
Train Shape: (26707, 36)
Test Shape: (26708, 36)
```

The target dataset contains 26,707 rows and 3 columns

**The train feature** dataset contains 26,707 rows and 36 columns.

The test dataset contains 26,708 rows and 36 columns

```
# Explore Data Structure

# train df
print("train Info:")
print(train.info())

#test df
print("\ntest Info:")
print(test.info())

# target df
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print("\ntarget Info:")
print(target.info())
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<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
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memory usage: 7.3+ MB
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test Info:
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memory usage: 7.3+ MB
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target Info:
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RangeIndex: 26707 entries, 0 to 26706
Data columns (total 3 columns):
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#	Column	Non-Null Count	Dtype
0	respondent_id	26707 non-null	int64
1	hln1_vaccine	26707 non-null	int64
2	seasonal_vaccine	26707 non-null	int64
	1		

dtypes: int64(3)

memory usage: 626.1 KB

None

- The training dataset contains float and object datatypes.
- The dataset shall remain as it is since it matches the test dataset data types.

### # Explore train Summary Statistics

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25% \ respondent id	26707.0	13353.000000	7709.791156	0.0
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behavioral large gatherings	26620.0	0.358640	0.479610	0.0
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behavioral_outside_home 0.0	26625.0	0.337315	0.472802	0.0
behavioral_touch_face 0.0	26579.0	0.677264	0.467531	0.0
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2.0 opinion_seas_sick_from_vacc	26170.0	2.118112	1.332950	1.0
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From the summary statistics, **data does not have outliers** since the data contains the binary and categorical types of data.

## Check column names

# Print column names and data types of the "target" DataFrame

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print("\nTarget Labels Columns:")
print(target.columns)
Target Labels Columns:
Index(['respondent id', 'hln1 vaccine', 'seasonal vaccine'],
dtype='object')
# Print column names and data types of the "train" DataFrame
print("\nTrain Labels Columns:")
print(train.columns)
Train Labels Columns:
Index(['respondent id', 'hln1 concern', 'hln1 knowledge',
       'behavioral antiviral meds', 'behavioral avoidance',
       'behavioral_face_mask', 'behavioral_wash_hands',
       'behavioral large gatherings', 'behavioral outside home',
       'behavioral touch face', 'doctor recc h1n1',
'doctor_recc_seasonal',
       'chronic med condition', 'child under 6 months',
'health_worker',
       'health insurance', 'opinion h1n1 vacc effective',
'opinion h1n1_risk',
       'opinion hlnl sick from vacc', 'opinion seas vacc effective',
       'opinion seas risk', 'opinion seas sick from vacc',
       'education', 'race', 'sex', 'income_poverty', 'marital_status',
       'rent or_own', 'employment_status', 'hhs_geo_region',
'census msa',
       'household adults', 'household children',
'employment industry',
       'employment occupation'],
      dtype='object')
# Print column names and data types of the "test" DataFrame
print("\nTest Labels Columns:")
print(test.columns)
Test Labels Columns:
Index(['respondent id', 'hlnl concern', 'hlnl knowledge',
       'behavioral_antiviral_meds', 'behavioral_avoidance',
       'behavioral_face_mask', 'behavioral_wash_hands',
       'behavioral large gatherings', 'behavioral outside home',
       'behavioral touch face', 'doctor recc hln1',
'doctor recc seasonal',
       'chronic med condition', 'child under 6 months',
'health_worker',
       'health insurance', 'opinion h1n1 vacc effective',
```

## **Standardizing Column Names**

Clean Column Names to remove spaces, special characters, and standardize case.

```
target.columns = target.columns.str.strip().str.lower().str.replace('
', '_')
train.columns = train.columns.str.strip().str.lower().str.replace(' ',
'_')
test.columns = test.columns.str.strip().str.lower().str.replace(' ',
'_')
```

### **Remove Unnecessary Columns**

#### **Drop information for HINI**

There are two potential targets in these datasets: whether the survey respondent received the seasonal flu vaccine, or whether the respondent received the H1N1 flu vaccine. For my minimum viable project, i will choose just one of these potential targets therefore, i will drop all information related to H1N1 flu and maintain the seasonal flu vaccination. The columns are not directly relevant to the current analysis

```
# Drop columns related to H1N1 flu from the "target" DataFrame
target.drop(columns=["h1n1_vaccine"], axis=1, inplace=True)

# Drop columns related to H1N1 flu from the "train" DataFrame
train.drop(columns=["h1n1_concern","h1n1_knowledge","doctor_recc_h1n1"
,"opinion_h1n1_vacc_effective","opinion_h1n1_risk","opinion_h1n1_sick_
from_vacc"], axis=1, inplace=True)

# Drop columns related to H1N1 flu from the "test" DataFrame
test.drop(columns=["h1n1_concern","h1n1_knowledge","doctor_recc_h1n1",
"opinion_h1n1_vacc_effective","opinion_h1n1_risk","opinion_h1n1_sick_f
rom_vacc"], axis=1, inplace=True)
```

```
# Cconfirm if the columns dropped

print("target Shape:", target.shape)
print("train Shape:", train.shape)
print("set Shape:", test.shape)

target Shape: (26707, 2)
train Shape: (26707, 30)
set Shape: (26708, 30)
```

**The target dataset** now contains 26,707 rows and 2 columns. 1 columns was successfuly dropped

**The train feature** dataset now contains 26,707 rows and 30 columns. 6 columns were successfuly dropped

**The test dataset** now contains 26,708 rows and 30 columns. 6 columns were successfuly dropped

## **Check for duplicates**

```
# Check duplicates
duplicates_train = train.duplicated()
duplicates_test = test.duplicated()
num_duplicates_train = duplicates_train.sum()
num_duplicates_test = duplicates_test.sum()

print("Duplicate Rows in Train Set:", num_duplicates_train)
print("Duplicate Rows in Test Set:", num_duplicates_test)

Duplicate Rows in Train Set: 0
Duplicate Rows in Test Set: 0
```

The train and test data set does not have any duplicates

## **Checking for Missing values**

```
income poverty
                                16.561201
doctor recc seasonal
                                 8.087767
rent_or_own
                                 7.645936
employment status
                                 5,477965
marital status
                                 5.272026
                                 5.268282
education
chronic med condition
                                 3.635751
child under 6 months
                                 3.070356
health worker
                                 3.010447
opinion seas sick from vacc
                                 2.010709
opinion seas risk
                                 1.924589
opinion_seas_vacc_effective
                                 1.729884
household adults
                                 0.932340
household children
                                 0.932340
behavioral avoidance
                                 0.778822
behavioral touch face
                                 0.479275
behavioral large gatherings
                                 0.325757
                                 0.307036
behavioral outside home
behavioral antiviral meds
                                 0.265848
behavioral_wash_hands
                                 0.157262
behavioral face mask
                                 0.071142
age group
                                 0.000000
race
                                 0.000000
sex
                                 0.000000
                                 0.000000
hhs geo region
                                 0.000000
census msa
respondent id
                                 0.000000
dtype: float64
```

#### **Observations**

- 1. From the above information, the employment\_occupation column, employment\_industry column and the health\_insurance column have the highest number of missing values at 50.4%, 49.9% and 45.96% respectively
- 2. From the data set, there is a strong relationship between the employement\_status cloumn and the employment\_occupation and employement\_industry columns which have the highest null values. The exected responses in the employement\_status column was either; 1) employed, 2) unemployed or 3) not in labour force. It is therfore expected that those who responded 'unemplyed' or 'not in labour force', would leave the the employment\_occupation and employement\_industry columns blank.
- 3. Therefore, 10,231 of the null values for the employment\_occupation and employemnt\_indstry will be viewed as "not applicable" as those are the the respondents who answered "Not in Labor Force" for employment\_status. The information will be viewed as not applicable as opposed to respondendt not choosing to respond

4. Similarly, an additional 1,453 of the null values in the employment\_occupation and employmet\_industry representing all unemployed individuals will be viewed as not applicable.

## **Handling Missing values**

- **1. Employment Columns** (employment\_industry and employment\_occupation columns)
  - For respondents marked as "Unemployed" in the employment\_status column, the employment\_industry will be updated to "not employed".
  - For respondents marked as "Unemployed" in the employment\_status column, the employment occupation will be updated to "not employed".
  - For respondents marked as "Not in Labor Force" in the <a href="mailto:employment\_status">employment\_status</a> column, the <a href="mailto:employeent\_status">employment\_industry</a> will be updated to "not employed".
  - For respondents marked as "Not in Labor Force" in the <a href="mailto:employment\_status">employment\_status</a> column, the <a href="mailto:employment\_occupation">employment\_occupation</a> is also updated to "not employed".

By labeling these cases as **not employed**, the missing values are now replaced with meaningful information, which can be utilized for further analysis without introducing any biased assumptions.

```
## if a person is unemployed, change their "employment industry" to
"not employed"
train.loc[train["employment status"] == "Unemployed",
"employment industry"] = "not employed"
## if a person is unemployed, change their "employment occupation" to
"not employed"
train.loc[train["employment status"] == "Unemployed",
"employment occupation"] = "not employed"
## if a person is not in the labor force, change their
"employment industry" to "not employed"
train.loc[train["employment_status"] == "Not in Labor Force",
"employment industry"] = "not employed"
## if a person is not in the labor force, change their
"employment occupation" to "not employed"
train.loc[train["employment_status"] == "Not in Labor Force",
"employment_occupation"] = "not employed"
```

### 2. health insurance Column

• Missing values in the "health\_insurance" column are filled with 0, assuming that those with missing values likely do not have health insurance coverage, possibly due to financial constraints associated with a higher poverty index.

#Filling the missing values in health insurance with 0 assumptions is that there is correlation between the poverty index, employemnt status and health cover

```
train["health insurance"].fillna(0, inplace=True)
# confimr missing values again
missing=(train.isnull().sum()/len(train))*100
missing = missing.sort values(ascending=False)
print("Missing values:")
print(missing)
Missing values:
income poverty
                                16.561201
doctor_recc_seasonal
                                 8.087767
rent or own
                                 7.645936
employment occupation
                                 6.687385
employment_industry
                                 6.163178
employment status
                                 5.477965
marital status
                                 5.272026
education
                                 5.268282
chronic med condition
                                 3.635751
child under 6 months
                                 3.070356
health_worker
                                 3.010447
opinion seas sick from vacc
                                 2.010709
opinion seas risk
                                 1.924589
opinion seas vacc effective
                                 1.729884
household children
                                 0.932340
household adults
                                 0.932340
behavioral_avoidance
                                 0.778822
behavioral touch face
                                 0.479275
behavioral_large_gatherings
                                 0.325757
behavioral outside home
                                 0.307036
behavioral antiviral meds
                                 0.265848
behavioral wash hands
                                 0.157262
behavioral face mask
                                 0.071142
age group
                                 0.000000
race
                                 0.000000
                                 0.000000
census msa
                                 0.000000
hhs geo region
health insurance
                                 0.000000
                                 0.000000
sex
respondent id
                                 0.000000
dtype: float64
```

### Check for unique values

```
total_observations = len(train)

for col in train.columns:
    print(f"Column: {col}")
```

```
freq percentage = train[col].value counts(dropna=False) /
total observations * 100
    print(freq_percentage)
    print()
Column: respondent id
2047
         0.003744
7657
         0.003744
         0.003744
3371
13612
         0.003744
         0.003744
15661
12979
         0.003744
2740
         0.003744
693
         0.003744
6838
         0.003744
         0.003744
Name: respondent_id, Length: 26707, dtype: float64
Column: behavioral antiviral meds
0.0
       94.862770
1.0
        4.871382
NaN
        0.265848
Name: behavioral antiviral meds, dtype: float64
Column: behavioral avoidance
1.0
       71.996106
0.0
       27.225072
        0.778822
NaN
Name: behavioral_avoidance, dtype: float64
Column: behavioral_face_mask
0.0
       93.035534
1.0
        6.893324
NaN
        0.071142
Name: behavioral face mask, dtype: float64
Column: behavioral wash hands
1.0
       82.431572
       17.411166
0.0
NaN
        0.157262
Name: behavioral wash hands, dtype: float64
Column: behavioral large gatherings
0.0
       63.927060
1.0
       35.747182
NaN
        0.325757
Name: behavioral large gatherings, dtype: float64
Column: behavioral outside home
```

```
0.0
       66.065077
1.0
       33.627888
NaN
        0.307036
Name: behavioral outside home, dtype: float64
Column: behavioral touch face
1.0
       67.401805
0.0
       32,118920
        0.479275
NaN
Name: behavioral_touch_face, dtype: float64
Column: doctor_recc_seasonal
0.0
       61.605572
1.0
       30.306661
NaN
        8.087767
Name: doctor recc seasonal, dtype: float64
Column: chronic med condition
0.0
       69.068035
1.0
       27.296214
NaN
        3.635751
Name: chronic med condition, dtype: float64
Column: child under 6 months
0.0
       88,924252
1.0
        8.005392
        3.070356
NaN
Name: child under 6 months, dtype: float64
Column: health worker
0.0
       86.134721
       10.854832
1.0
NaN
        3.010447
Name: health worker, dtype: float64
Column: health insurance
0.0
       52.458157
1.0
       47.541843
Name: health insurance, dtype: float64
Column: opinion_seas_vacc_effective
4.0
       43.542891
5.0
       37.342270
2.0
        8.260007
1.0
        4.571835
3.0
        4.553113
        1.729884
NaN
Name: opinion seas vacc effective, dtype: float64
Column: opinion seas risk
```

```
2.0
       33.526791
4.0
       28.569289
1.0
       22.368667
5.0
       11.075748
3.0
        2.534916
NaN
        1.924589
Name: opinion_seas_risk, dtype: float64
Column: opinion_seas_sick_from_vacc
1.0
       44.445277
2.0
       28.580522
4.0
       18.167522
5.0
        6.444003
        2.010709
NaN
3.0
        0.351968
Name: opinion_seas_sick_from_vacc, dtype: float64
Column: age group
                 25.622496
65+ Years
55 - 64 Years
                 20.829745
45 - 54 Years 19.612836
18 - 34 Years
                19.526716
35 - 44 Years 14.408208
Name: age_group, dtype: float64
Column: education
College Graduate
                    37.806568
Some College
                    26.371363
12 Years
                    21.705920
< 12 Years
                     8.847868
NaN
                     5.268282
Name: education, dtype: float64
Column: race
White
                     79.462313
Black
                      7.930505
Hispanic
                      6.571311
                      6.035871
Other or Multiple
Name: race, dtype: float64
Column: sex
          59.377691
Female
Male
          40.622309
Name: sex, dtype: float64
Column: income poverty
<= $75,000, Above Poverty
                             47.841390
> $75,000
                             25.498933
NaN
                             16.561201
Below Poverty
                             10.098476
```

```
Name: income poverty, dtype: float64
Column: marital status
Married
               50.754484
Not Married
               43.973490
NaN
                5.272026
Name: marital_status, dtype: float64
Column: rent or own
        70.153892
0wn
Rent
        22.200172
         7.645936
NaN
Name: rent_or_own, dtype: float64
Column: employment status
Employed
                      50.773206
Not in Labor Force
                      38.308309
NaN
                       5.477965
Unemployed
                       5.440521
Name: employment_status, dtype: float64
Column: hhs geo region
lzgpxyit
            16.089415
fpwskwrf
            12.225259
qufhixun
            11.614932
oxchjgsf
           10.705059
           10.701314
kbazzjca
bhugougi
          10.656382
           8.398547
mlyzmhmf
            7.780732
lrircsnp
             7.612236
atmpeygn
dqpwygqj
             4.216123
Name: hhs_geo_region, dtype: float64
Column: census msa
MSA, Not Principle City
                            43.602801
MSA, Principle City
                            29.445464
Non-MSA
                            26.951736
Name: census msa, dtype: float64
Column: household adults
1.0
       54.195529
0.0
      30.164376
2.0
       10.495376
3.0
        4.212379
        0.932340
NaN
Name: household_adults, dtype: float64
Column: household children
       69.914255
0.0
```

```
1.0
       11.888269
2.0
       10.723780
3.0
        6.541356
NaN
        0.932340
Name: household children, dtype: float64
Column: employment industry
not employed
                43.748830
fcxhlnwr
                  9.241023
wxleyezf
                 6.754783
NaN
                 6.163178
ldnlelli
                 4.609278
pxcmvdjn
                 3.882877
atmlpfrs
                 3,467256
arjwrbjb
                 3.261317
                 3.186431
xicduogh
mfikgejo
                 2.299023
vjjrobsf
                 1.973265
                  1.958288
rucpziij
xqicxuve
                  1.913356
                  1.265586
saaquncn
cfqqtusy
                 1.216909
nduyfdeo
                  1.070880
mcubkhph
                  1.029693
wlfvacwt
                  0.805032
dotnnunm
                 0.752612
haxffmxo
                 0.554162
msuufmds
                 0.464298
phxvnwax
                 0.333246
gnlwzans
                 0.048676
Name: employment industry, dtype: float64
Column: employment_occupation
not employed
                43.748830
NaN
                 6.687385
xtkaffoo
                 6.657431
                 5.650204
mxkfnird
emcorrxb
                 4.755308
cmhcxjea
                 4.669188
xgwztkwe
                 4.051372
hfxkjkmi
                 2.868162
gxaimpny
                 2.051897
                 1.816003
xqwwgdyp
kldqjyjy
                  1.756094
uqqtjvyb
                  1.692440
tfqavkke
                 1.452803
ukymxvdu
                  1.392893
vlluhbov
                  1.325495
oijqvulv
                 1.288052
```

```
ccaxvspp
                 1.276819
bxpfxfdn
                 1.239375
haliazsq
                 1.108324
rcertsqn
                 1.033437
xzmlyyjv
                 0.928595
dlvbwzss
                 0.849964
hodpvpew
                 0.778822
dcjcmpih
                 0.554162
pvmttkik
                 0.366945
Name: employment occupation, dtype: float64
```

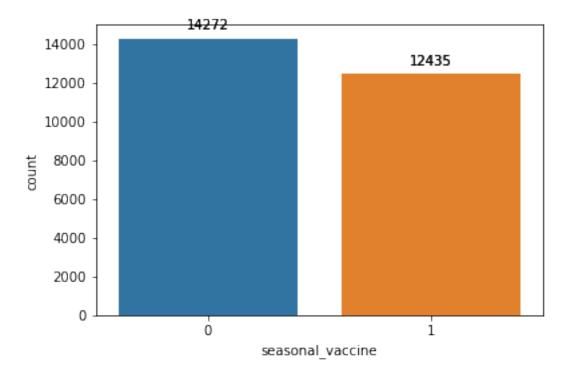
- Since the remaining missing values are categorical variables, we will fill using Unknown for the education, marital\_status, rent\_or\_own, and income\_poverty columns.
- This gives a clear label for the missing values and allows the values to be treated as a distinct category during data analysis and modeling.

```
# filling with unkwown for categorical isna values
# education
train["education"].fillna("Unknown", inplace=True)
# marital status
train["marital_status"].fillna("Unknown", inplace=True)
# rent
train["rent or own"].fillna("Unknown", inplace=True)
# income/poverty
train["income poverty"].fillna("Unknown", inplace=True)
# fill all the categorical variable with the modal class
train filled = train.fillna(train.mode().iloc[0])
missing2=train filled.isnull().sum() # confirm if the data has been
filled.
missing2
respondent id
                               0
behavioral antiviral meds
                               0
behavioral avoidance
                               0
behavioral face mask
                               0
behavioral wash hands
                               0
behavioral large gatherings
                               0
behavioral outside home
                               0
behavioral touch face
                               0
doctor recc seasonal
                               0
chronic med condition
                               0
child under 6 months
                               0
```

```
health worker
                                 0
health insurance
                                 0
opinion_seas_vacc_effective
                                 0
opinion seas risk
                                 0
opinion seas sick from vacc
                                 0
                                 0
age group
                                 0
education
                                 0
race
sex
                                 0
income poverty
                                 0
marital status
                                 0
rent_or_own
                                 0
employment status
                                 0
                                 0
hhs geo region
census msa
                                 0
household adults
                                 0
household children
                                 0
                                 0
employment_industry
                                 0
employment occupation
dtype: int64
```

## **Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA)**

```
# Target variables dataset exploratory
target.head()
   respondent id seasonal vaccine
0
                                  0
1
               1
                                  1
2
               2
                                  0
3
               3
                                  1
4
               4
                                  0
# checking the distribution of the target variable
sns.countplot(data=target, x="seasonal vaccine")
# plt.savefig("images/seasonal vaccine count plot.png")
# Add data labels
ax = sns.countplot(data=target, x="seasonal vaccine")
for p in ax.patches:
    ax.annotate(f'{int(p.get height())}',
                (p.get_x() + p.get_width() / 2., p.get_height()),
                ha='center', va='center',
                xytext=(0, 10), textcoords='offset points')
```



#### **Observations**

- The number of respondents who had taken the seasonal flu vaccine (1) is lower compared to those who had not taken it (0).
- The counts of the two classes are not significantly different and are relatively close, we can consider dataset to be reasonably balanced.

## More Preparation for Analysis

- First, a new DataFrame, train\_target, is created from a merge of train\_filled and target DataFrames to create a single DataFrame.
- The new DataFrame will contain all the information needed for univariate and multivariate analysis and for building machine learning models.

```
#Merge the two datasets
train target = train filled.merge(target, on="respondent id")
#make respondent id the index column
train target.set index("respondent id", inplace=True)
train_target
                                           behavioral avoidance \
               behavioral antiviral meds
respondent id
                                      0.0
                                                             0.0
1
                                      0.0
                                                             1.0
2
                                      0.0
                                                             1.0
3
                                      0.0
                                                             1.0
```

4		0.0	1.0
26702		0.0	1.0
26703		0.0	1.0
26704		0.0	1.0
26705		0.0	0.0
26706		0.0	1.0
20700		0.0	1.0
	behavioral_face_mask	behavioral_wash_h	ands \
respondent id	benaviorat_race_mask	benaviorat_wasn_n	unus (
0	0.0		0.0
i 1	0.0		1.0
	0.0		0.0
3	0.0		1.0
2 3 4	0.0		1.0
26702	0.0		0.0
26703	0.0		1.0
26704	1.0		1.0
26705	0.0		0.0
26706	0.0		0.0
20700	0.0		0.0
	behavioral_large_gathe	erings behavioral	_outside_home \
respondent_id	20av 20. a t_ ta. go_ga t		
0		0.0	1.0
ì		0.0	1.0
		0.0	0.0
3		1.0	0.0
2 3 4		1.0	0.0
26702		0.0	1.0
26703		0.0	0.0
26704		1.0	0.0
26705		0.0	0.0
26706		0.0	0.0
	behavioral_touch_face	doctor_recc_seas	onal \
respondent_id			
0	1.0		0.0
1	1.0		0.0
0 1 2 3 4	0.0		0.0
3	0.0		1.0
4	1.0		0.0
26702	0.0		0.0
26703	0.0		1.0
26704	1.0		0.0
26705	1.0		0.0
26706	0.0		0.0

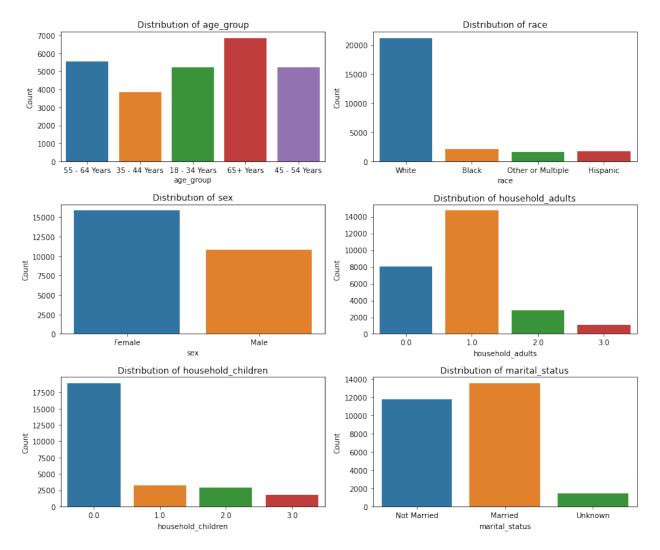
	chronic_med_con	dition	child	_under_6	$6\_$ months .	\
respondent_id						• •
0		0.0			0.0 .	
1		0.0			0.0 .	
2 3		1.0			0.0 .	
3		1.0			0.0 .	
4		0.0			0.0 .	
26702		0.0			0.0 .	• •
		0.0				• •
26703					0.0 .	• •
26704		0.0			0.0 .	• •
26705		0.0			0.0 .	
26706		0.0			0.0 .	
	marital_status	rent_o	r_own	employ	/ment_statu	ıs \
respondent_id	_	_	_		_	
0	Not Married		0wn	Not in	Labor Ford	e
	Not Married		Rent		Employe	
2	Not Married		0wn		Employe	
1 2 3				Not in		
3	Not Married		Rent	NOT IN	Labor Ford	
4	Married		0wn		Employe	ed
26702	Not Married		0wn	Not in	Labor Ford	ce
26703	Not Married		Rent		Employe	ed
26704	Not Married		0wn		Employe	
26705	Married		Rent		Employe	
26706	Married		0wn	Not in	Labor Ford	
20700	riai i teu		UWII	NOC III	Labor Torc	. <del>C</del>
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household adul				census	5 d	
	(3 )					
respondent_id						
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## **Univariate Data Analysis**

### 1. EDA for Demographic Features

```
# List of demographic columns to create countplots for
demographic columns = ["age group", "race", "sex", "household adults",
"household children", "marital status"]
# Calculate the number of rows and columns for subplots dynamically
num plots = len(demographic columns)
num cols = 2
num rows = (num plots + num cols - 1) // num cols
# Create subplots
fig, axes = plt.subplots(num rows, num cols, figsize=(12, 10))
# Flatten the axes array for easier indexing
axes = axes.flatten()
# Loop through the columns and create individual countplots
for i, column in enumerate(demographic columns):
    if i >= num rows * num cols: # Check if index exceeds total
number of subplots
        fig.delaxes(axes[i])
        sns.countplot(data=train target, x=column, ax=axes[i])
        axes[i].set xlabel(column)
        axes[i].set_ylabel("Count")
        axes[i].set title(f"Distribution of {column}")
# Adjust the layout and spacing between subplots
plt.tight layout()
# Show the subplots
plt.show()
```

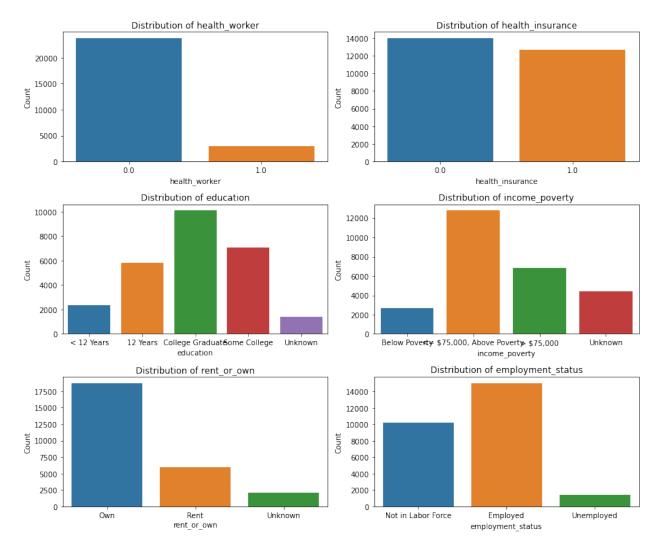


#### **Observations on Demographics**

- The respondents" age groups were normally distributed with majority being 65 years and older. This is synonymous with developed countries. Most were also female and white.
- Majority of the households had at least two adults with no child(ren) at the time of the interview
- The number of married and unmarried respondents was almost similar.
- Majority also lived outside the Metropolitan Statitistical Area (MSA) as defined by the US Census.

### 2. EDA Socioeconomic Features

```
num cols = 2
num rows = (num plots + num cols - 1) // num cols
# Create subplots
fig, axes = plt.subplots(num rows, num cols, figsize=(12, 10))
# Flatten the axes array for easier indexing
axes = axes.flatten()
# Loop through the columns and create individual countplots
for i, column in enumerate(columns to plot):
    if i >= num_rows * num_cols: # Check if index exceeds total
number of subplots
        fig.delaxes(axes[i])
    else:
        if column == "age group":
            sns.countplot(data=train_target, x=column,
order=train target["age group"].value counts().index, ax=axes[i])
        else:
            sns.countplot(data=train target, x=column, ax=axes[i])
        axes[i].set xlabel(column)
        axes[i].set_ylabel("Count")
        axes[i].set_title(f"Distribution of {column}")
# Adjust the layout and spacing between subplots
plt.tight layout()
# Show the subplots
plt.show()
```

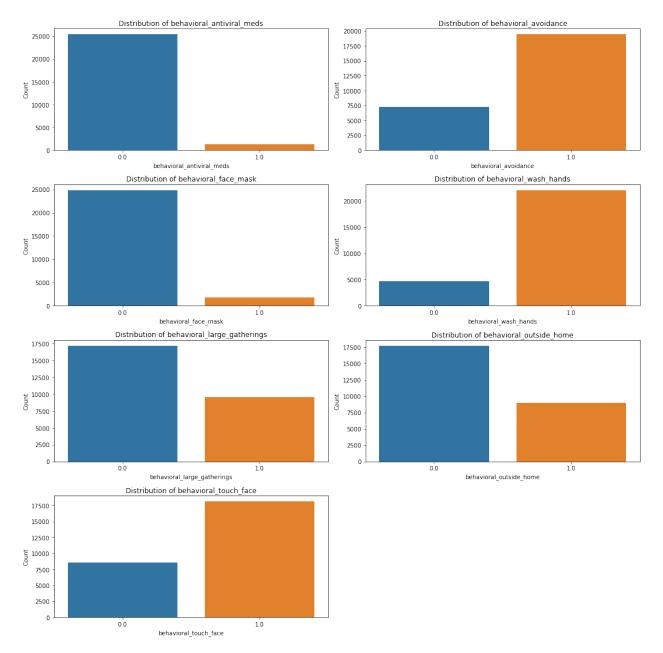


#### **Observations**

- The respondents were mostly made up of individuals in other professions other than health workers.
- The number of people with health insurance was almost similar to those who had no health insurance. However, those without were the majority. This is partly due to the assumption made earlier that the missing values were for those without insurance.
- A normal distribution in the education feature was observed with those who had a college education making up the majority.
- Most respondents had an annual household income of less than \$75,000. A fair amount of respondents failed to disclose their income and were categorized as "Unknown".
- Majority of the respondents own the houses they live in.
- Majority of the respondendts were employed at the time of the survey compared to those not in labour force or unemployed

#### 3. EDA for Behavioral Features

```
#EDA for behavioral factors
# List of columns to create countplots for
columns to plot = ["behavioral antiviral meds",
"behavioral_avoidance", "behavioral_face_mask",
"behavioral wash hands",
                   "behavioral large gatherings",
"behavioral outside home", "behavioral touch face"]
# Define the number of rows and columns for subplots
num rows = 4
num_cols = 2
# Create subplots
fig, axes = plt.subplots(num rows, num cols, figsize=(15, 15))
# Flatten the axes array for easier indexing
axes = axes.flatten()
# Loop through the columns and create individual countplots
for i, column in enumerate(columns to plot):
    sns.countplot(data=train target, x=column, ax=axes[i])
    axes[i].set xlabel(column)
    axes[i].set ylabel("Count")
    axes[i].set title(f"Distribution of {column}")
# Adjust the layout and spacing between subplots
fig.delaxes(axes[-1])
# Adjust the layout and spacing between subplots
plt.tight layout()
# Show the subplots
plt.show()
```

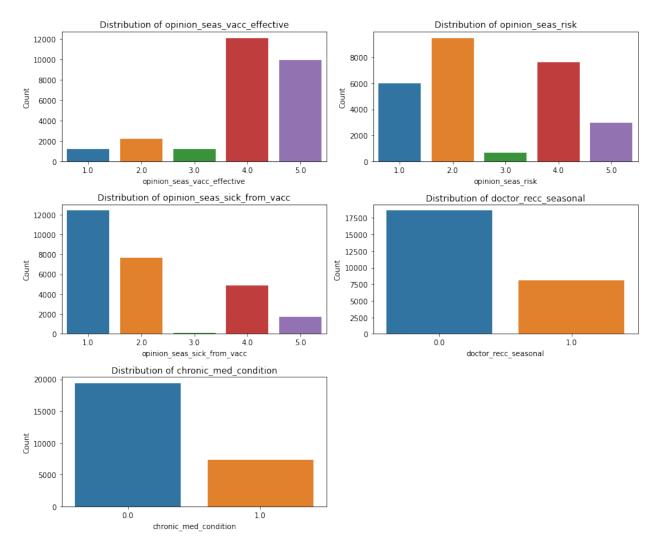


### **Behavioural features Observations**

- Majority of the respondents appeared not to have taken any antiviral medication at the time of the survey. The response might be subjective and would require further investigation on how the question was asked.
- Most of the respondents had also avoided close contact with people who had flu-like symptoms. Most were also in the practice of washing hands and using hand sanitizer.
- Majority of the respondents were not using facemask. Similarly, most were avoiding touching their face, nose or mouth.
- There was no social-distancing among the respondents while most of the respondents spend more time outside their homes as opposed to staying indoors

### 4. EDA for Knowledge, Attitudes and Beliefs Towards the Vaccines

```
# List of columns to create countplots for
columns_to_plot = ["opinion_seas_vacc_effective", "opinion_seas_risk",
"opinion seas sick from vacc",
                   "doctor recc seasonal", "chronic med condition"]
# Define the number of rows and columns for subplots
num rows = 3
num cols = 2
# Create subplots
fig, axes = plt.subplots(num rows, num cols, figsize=(12, 10))
# Flatten the axes array for easier indexing
axes = axes.flatten()
# Loop through the columns and create individual countplots
for i, column in enumerate(columns to plot):
    sns.countplot(data=train target, x=column, ax=axes[i])
    axes[i].set xlabel(column)
    axes[i].set_ylabel("Count")
    axes[i].set title(f"Distribution of {column}")
# Adjust the layout and spacing between subplots
fig.delaxes(axes[-1])
# Adjust the layout and spacing between subplots
plt.tight layout()
# Show the subplots
plt.show()
```



#### Observations or Knowledge, Attitudes and Beliefs Towards the Vaccines

- Majority believed that seasonal vaccines were effective and they were not worried about falling sick from taking the vaccine.
- However, a large number believed that the risk of contracting the flu without a vaccine
- Majority of the respondents had not received any recommendations for the vaccine from their doctors.
- Most respondents did not have a chronic medical condition.

# **Bivariate Analysis**

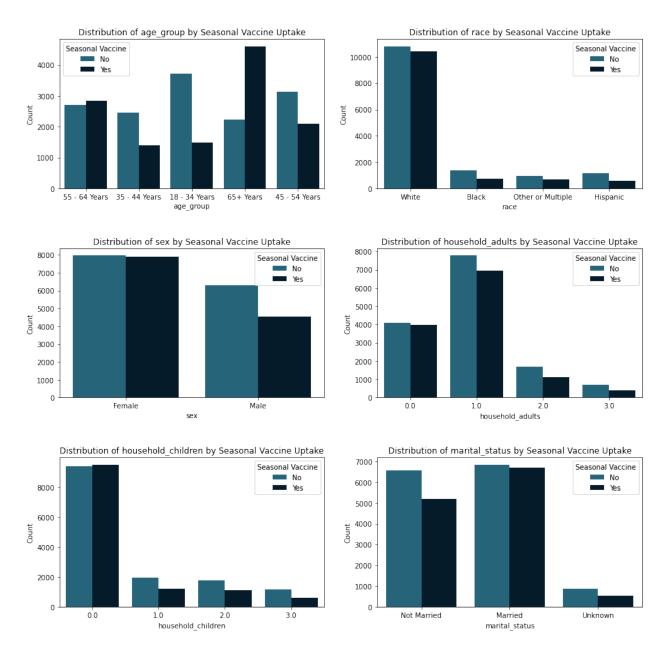
# 1. Demographic Features vs Seasonal Vaccine Uptake

```
# columns to plot
y = ["age_group", "race", "sex", "household_adults",
"household_children", "marital_status"]
fig, axes = plt.subplots(nrows=3, ncols=2, figsize=(15, 15))
```

```
custom_palette = ["#176B87", "#001C30"]

for i, variable in enumerate(y):
    row = i // 2
    col = i % 2
    ax = axes[row, col]
    sns.countplot(x=variable, hue="seasonal_vaccine",
data=train_target, ax=ax,palette=custom_palette)
    ax.set_title(f"Distribution of {variable} by Seasonal Vaccine
Uptake")
    ax.set_xlabel(variable)
    ax.set_ylabel("Count")
    ax.legend(title="Seasonal Vaccine", labels=["No", "Yes"])

# Adjust spacing between subplots
plt.subplots_adjust(hspace=0.4)
plt.show()
```



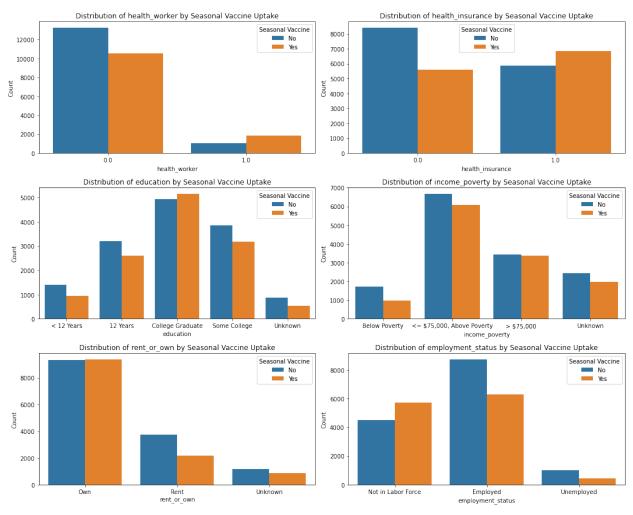
#### Demographic Features vs Seasonal Vaccine Uptake Observations

- The number of older people above 65 years of age were more likely to receive the vaccine compared to the younger population.
- More female and married respondents as well as people of White descent received the vaccine compared to others in their respective categories.
- Households with one adult and no children received the vaccine in more numbers than other respondents in the respective categories.

## 2. Socieconomic Features vs Seasonal Vaccine Uptake

```
fig, axes = plt.subplots(nrows=3, ncols=2, figsize=(15, 12))
for i, variable in enumerate(y):
    row = i // 2
    col = i % 2
    ax = axes[row, col]
    sns.countplot(x=variable, hue="seasonal_vaccine",
data=train_target, ax=ax)
    ax.set_title(f"Distribution of {variable} by Seasonal Vaccine
Uptake")
    ax.set_xlabel(variable)
    ax.set_ylabel("Count")
    ax.legend(title="Seasonal Vaccine", labels=["No", "Yes"])
plt.tight_layout()

# Show the subplots
plt.show()
```

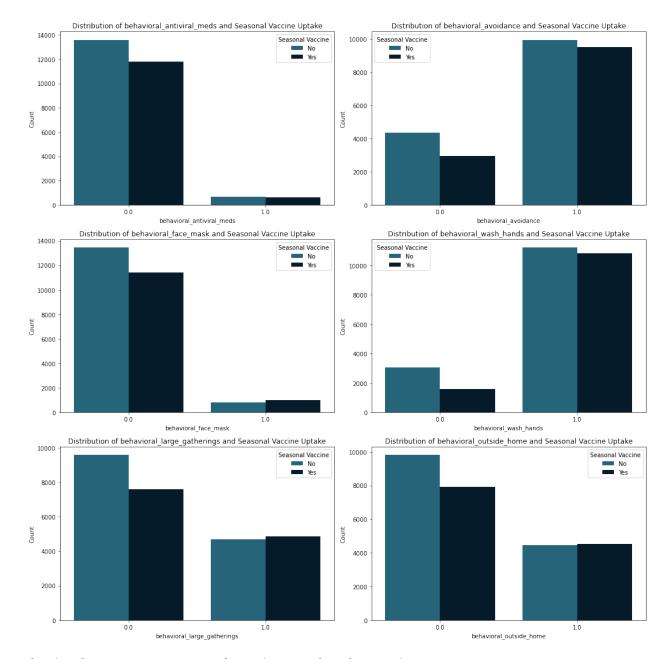


#### Observations for Socieconomic Features vs Seasonal Vaccine Uptake

- Majority of the health workers received vaccines as opposed to non-health workers where majority did not receive. This is highly attributed to the fact that health workers are vulnerable and are a more at risk population highly predisposed to flu
- Respondents with health insurance are likely to receive vaccines as compared to those
  without the insurance due to the ease of access and affordability facilitated by the
  insurance cover.
- Respondents with college level of education were see to be more receptive of the vaccine which could be attributed to access to information and facts about the vaccines.
- The poorer respondents and those with an annual income of <=\$75,000 per household were less likely to receive the vaccine which could be attributed to access and affordability as well as lack of health insurance.
- More of those who lived in their own houses received the vaccine compared to those paying rent/with unknown housing conditions.
- The employed respondents were more likely to receive the vaccine compared to those unemployed

#### 3. Behavioral Features vs Seasonal Vaccine Uptake

```
# columns to plot
y = ["behavioral_antiviral_meds", "behavioral_avoidance",
"behavioral face_mask",
     "behavioral wash hands", "behavioral large gatherings",
"behavioral outside home"]
fig, axes = plt.subplots(nrows=3, ncols=2, figsize=(15, 15))
# Define custom color palette
#custom palette = ["#454545", "#FF6000"]
for i, variable in enumerate(y):
    row = i // 2
    col = i % 2
    ax = axes[row, col]
    sns.countplot(x=variable, hue="seasonal vaccine",
data=train target, ax=ax, palette=custom palette)
    ax.set_title(f"Distribution of {variable} and Seasonal Vaccine
Uptake")
    ax.set xlabel(variable)
    ax.set vlabel("Count")
    ax.legend(title="Seasonal Vaccine", labels=["No", "Yes"])
plt.tight layout()
plt.show()
```



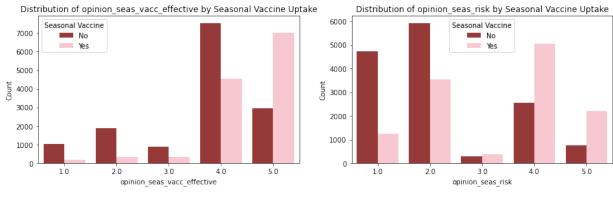
## Behavioral Features vs Seasonal Vaccine Uptake Observations

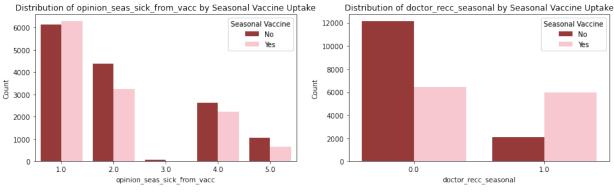
- Generally, behavioral factors did not have much influence on whether the respondents took the vaccines.
- Whether the respondent was on antiviral medication, avoided contact with people showing flu symptoms even outside the home or washed hands/used santizers often and vice versa, the general outome was that less people ad received the vaccine.

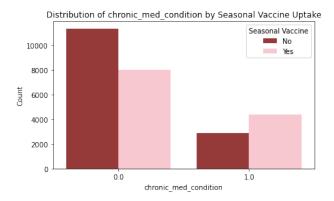
# 4. Knowledge, Attitudes and Beliefs Towards Vaccines vs Seasonal Vaccine Uptake

```
# columns to plot
y = ["opinion_seas_vacc_effective", "opinion_seas_risk",
"opinion_seas_sick_from_vacc",
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"doctor_recc_seasonal", "chronic_med_condition"]
num plots = len(y)
num cols = 2
num rows = (num plots + num cols - 1) // num cols
fig, axes = plt.subplots(nrows=num rows, ncols=num cols, figsize=(15,
15))
custom palette = ["brown", "pink"]
for i, variable in enumerate(y):
    if i >= num plots:
        break
    row = i // num cols
    col = i % num cols
    ax = axes[row, col]
    sns.countplot(x=variable, hue="seasonal vaccine",
data=train target, ax=ax, palette=custom palette)
    ax.set title(f"Distribution of {variable} by Seasonal Vaccine
Uptake")
    ax.set xlabel(variable)
    ax.set ylabel("Count")
    ax.legend(title="Seasonal Vaccine", labels=["No", "Yes"])
# Adjust spacing between subplots
plt.subplots adjust(hspace=0.4)
# Remove any extra blank subplot
if num plots < num cols * num rows:</pre>
    fig.delaxes(axes.flatten()[num plots])
plt.show()
```







#### Knowledge, Attitudes and Beliefs Towards Vaccines vs Seasonal Vaccine Uptake Observations

- The majority of respondents who received the vaccine hold the opinion that it is effective.
- A general observation is that the lower the opinion towards the vaccine factor, the lower the vaccine uptake. A respondent was less likely to receive the vaccine if they:
  - did not believe that there is a risk of getting sick with seasonal flu without vaccine;
  - was not worried of getting sick from taking seasonal flu vaccine;
  - did not get a doctor's recommendation to take the vaccine, and;
  - had no chronic medical condition.

# **Feature Engineering**

# **Data Encoding**

First, the data types are displayed once again to determine the affected features.

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## **One-Hot Encoding**

**Columns** - "age\_group", "education", "race", "sex", "marital\_status", "rent\_or\_own", "employment\_status", "census\_msa", and "income\_poverty."

```
# data enc1.todense()
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feature names = ohe.get feature names(encoded df.columns)
# geting feature names in a dataframe
data encoded = pd.DataFrame(data enc1, columns=feature names)
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```

• A copy of the DataFrame was made to avoid overwriting the main dataset during data manipulation.

- The merged train\_target\_float DataFrame has a combination of numerical columns from train\_target\_copy and the one-hot encoded binary columns from data\_encoded.
- This merged DataFrame has all the features represented in numerical format.

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train target copy = train target.copy()
train target copy.head()
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train_target_float = pd.merge(train_target_copy, data_encoded,
left index=True, right index=True)
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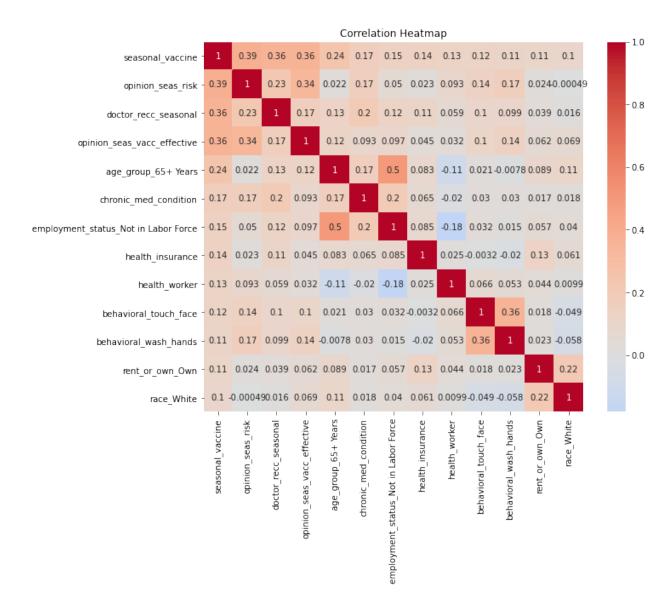
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# **Multivariate Analysis using Correlation**

• Thirteen (13) features had a correlation greater than 10% (0.1) with the target.

```
# Set the data for corr
corr = train_target_float.corr()
['seasonal_vaccine'].sort_values(ascending = False)
corr = corr[(corr > 0.1)] # correlation greater than 0.1
columns = corr.index.tolist()
# df with only the selected columns
```

```
corr df = train target float[columns] # columns with correlation > 0.1
corr
seasonal_vaccine
                                         1.000000
opinion seas risk
                                         0.386916
doctor_recc_seasonal
                                         0.360696
opinion_seas_vacc_effective
                                         0.358869
age group 65+ Years
                                         0.244830
chronic med condition
                                         0.169465
employment status Not in Labor Force
                                         0.145819
health insurance
                                         0.138161
health worker
                                         0.126977
behavioral touch face
                                         0.119925
behavioral wash hands
                                         0.112254
rent or own Own
                                         0.108002
race_White
                                         0.100314
Name: seasonal vaccine, dtype: float64
# plot heatmap
plt.figure(figsize=(10, 8))
sns.heatmap(corr df.corr(), annot=True, cmap='coolwarm', center=0)
plt.title("Correlation Heatmap")
# plt.savefig("images/corr map.png")
plt.show()
```



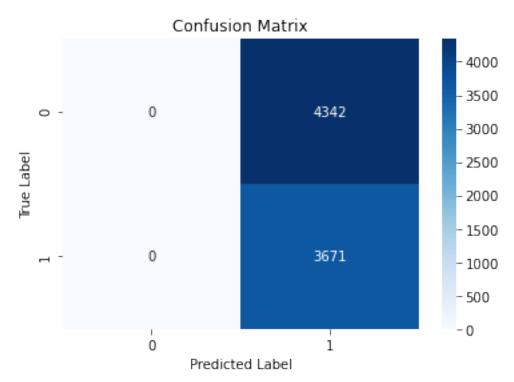
# Modelling

## **Baseline Model**

- Before conducting any modeling on the data, a "dummy" model that always predicts the positive class is first used.
  - "negative" is defined as a 0 (not received vaccine ) and "positive" as a 1 (received thye vaccine).
  - Focus is on the test data, since this is will be used to evaluate the actual model as well.

```
# split data into train and test, claze size=0.3
X = train_target_float.drop(columns=["seasonal_vaccine"], axis=1)
y = train_target_float["seasonal_vaccine"]
```

```
# Perform train test split
X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X, y,
random state=42, test size=0.3)
# Scale data
scaler = StandardScaler()
X train scaled = scaler.fit transform(X train)
X test scaled = scaler.transform(X test)
# Training the dummy classifier
dummy classifier = DummyClassifier(strategy="constant", constant=1)
dummy classifier.fit(X train scaled, y train)
# Make predictions
y pred = dummy classifier.predict(X test scaled)
# Create confusion matrix
cm = confusion matrix(y test, y pred)
# Plot confusion matrix
sns.heatmap(cm, annot=True, fmt="d", cmap="Blues")
plt.xlabel("Predicted Label")
plt.ylabel("True Label")
plt.title("Confusion Matrix")
plt.show()
```



```
# Evaluation of the baseline model
#Accuracy=TP+TN/TP+TN+FP+FN
TP=3671
TN=0
FP=4342
FN=0
baseline accuracy=(TP+TN)/(TP+FP+TN+FN)
print("Baseline Accuracy: " ,baseline_accuracy)
#precision TP/TP+FP
baseline precision=(TP/(TP+FP))
print("Baseline Precision: " ,baseline_precision)
baseline recall=(TP/(TP+FN))
print("Baseline Recall: " ,baseline recall)
baseline F1score=(2*baseline precision*
baseline recall)/(baseline precision+baseline recall)
print("Baseline F1score: " ,baseline_F1score)
Baseline Accuracy: 0.4581305378759516
Baseline Precision: 0.4581305378759516
Baseline Recall: 1.0
Baseline F1score: 0.6283806915439919
```

#### **Baseline Model Observations**

- 1. **Baseline Accuracy** is approximately 45.81%, it means that the dummy classifier, correctly predicts around 45.81% of instances in the test data.
- 2. **Baseline Precision** is also 45.81%. It is equal to the accuracy since the dummy classifier always predicts the positive class.
- 3. **Baseline Recall** is 100%. Since the dummy classifier always predicts the positive class, it correctly identifies all the actual positive instances.
- 4. **Baseline F1-score** is approximately 62.84%. A higher F1-score would indicate a better balance between precision and recall.

These metrics will be used to reference the performance of subsequent models, hoping that they will outperform the baseline model.

# **Model 1. Logistic Regression**

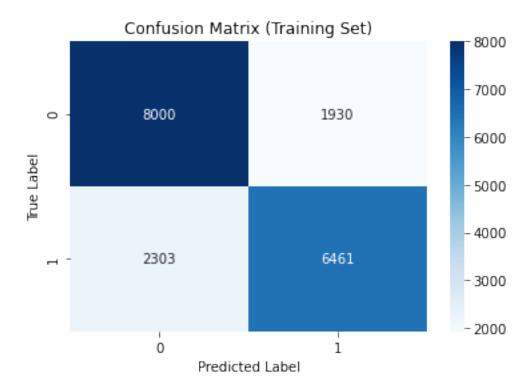
```
# fit the model in logistic regression
# Instantiate the model
model1 = LogisticRegression(random_state=42)
```

```
# Fit the model on the scaled data
modell.fit(X_train_scaled, y_train)

# Make predictions on the training data
y_train_pred1 = modell.predict(X_train_scaled)

# Create confusion matrix
cm = confusion_matrix(y_train, y_train_pred1)

# Plot confusion matrix
sns.heatmap(cm, annot=True, fmt="d", cmap="Blues")
plt.xlabel("Predicted Label")
plt.ylabel("True Label")
plt.title("Confusion Matrix (Training Set)")
```



```
# cross validate the model using 3 kfolds
from sklearn.model_selection import cross_val_score
cv_scores = cross_val_score(model1, X_train_scaled, y_train, cv=3)
print("Cross-Validation Scores:", cv_scores)

average_cv_score = cv_scores.mean()
print("Average Cross-Validation Score:", average_cv_score * 100) # in
percentage
```

```
Cross-Validation Scores: [0.76813222 0.77210721 0.77820575]
Average Cross-Validation Score: 77.28150573893545
```

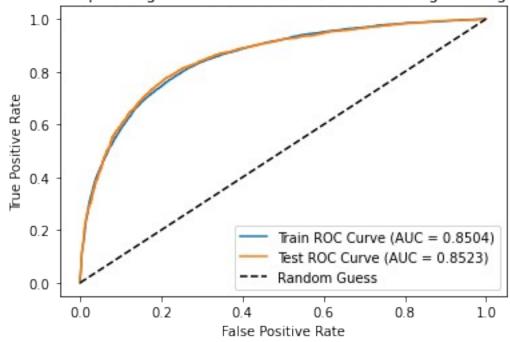
• The scores indicate that the model is approximately 77.28% accurate in its performance.

```
#evaluation of model
y pred = model1.predict(X test scaled)
model1 accuracy = accuracy score(y test, y pred)
model1 recall = recall score(y test, y pred)
model1 precision = precision_score(y_test, y_pred)
model1 f1 = f1 score(y test, y pred)
print(f"""
Accuracy Fitted Model 1: {model1 accuracy:1.3f}
Recall Fitted Model 1: {model1 recall:1.3f}
Precision Fitted Model 1: {model1 precision:1.3f}
F1 Score Fitted Model 1: {model1 f1:1.3f}
Accuracy Fitted Model 1: 0.782
Recall Fitted Model 1: 0.739
Precision Fitted Model 1: 0.774
F1 Score Fitted Model 1: 0.756
# calcluate ROC
# Obtain the predicted probabilities for the positive class
y test prob = model1.predict proba(X test scaled)[:, 1]
y train prob = model1.predict proba(X train scaled)[:, 1]
# Calculate the false positive rate (fpr), true positive rate (tpr),
and thresholds
train fpr l, train tpr l, thresholds = roc curve(y train,
y train prob)
test fpr l, test tpr l, thresholds = roc curve(y test, y test prob)
# Calculate the AUC score
auc score model1 train = roc auc score(y train, y train prob)
auc score model1 test = roc auc score(y test, y test prob)
print("Train AUC Score", auc_score_model1_train)
print("Test AUC Score", auc_score_model1_test)
# Plot the ROC curve
plt.plot(train fpr l, train tpr l, label="Train ROC Curve (AUC =
{:.4f})".format(auc score model1 train))
plt.plot(test fpr l, test tpr l, label="Test ROC Curve (AUC =
{:.4f})".format(auc score model1 test))
plt.plot([0, 1], [0, 1], "k--", Tabel="Random Guess")
```

```
plt.xlabel("False Positive Rate")
plt.ylabel("True Positive Rate")
plt.title("Receiver Operating Characteristic (ROC) Curve for Logistic
Regression")
plt.legend(loc="lower right")

plt.show()
Train AUC Score 0.8503931732533946
Test AUC Score 0.8522644587822867
```

## Receiver Operating Characteristic (ROC) Curve for Logistic Regression



### **Logistic Regression Observations**

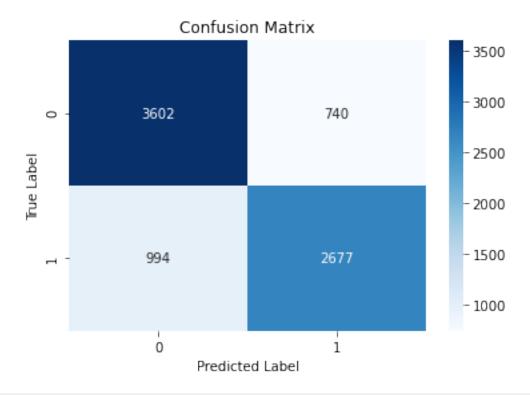
- An **accuracy** of 0.782 means that the model is correctly predicting the seasonal vaccine outcome for around 78% of the samples in the test data.
- A **recall** of 0.739 indicates that the model is able to correctly identify around 74% of the positive instances (those who received the flu vaccine) in the test data.
- A **precision** of 0.774 implies that around 77% of the instances predicted as positive by the model are actually true positives.
- The **F1** score combines both precision and recall into a single metric. With an F1 score of 0.756, it suggests a balanced performance between precision and recall. These metrics are a good indication that the logistic regression model is providing reasonably accurate predictions on the uptake of the seasonal flu vaccine.

The **ROC curve** above shows a AUC score of 0.8523 on the test set, revealing that the model is quite good on distinguishing between those who received the seasonal flu vaccine or not (positives and negatives).

• The score is close to 1, meaning that the predictive power of the model can be trusted.

## Model 2 - Random Forest

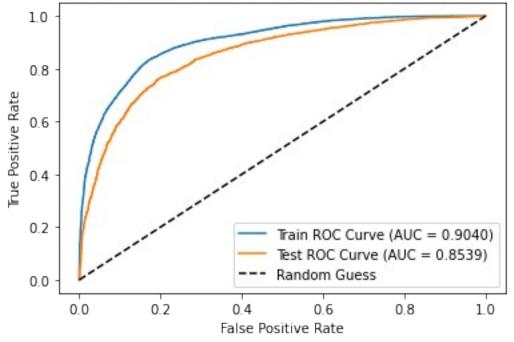
```
# Perform feature engineering or transformation
from sklearn.model selection import GridSearchCV
from sklearn.ensemble import RandomForestClassifier
# instantiate
model2 = RandomForestClassifier(random state=42)
# Perform hyperparameter tuning using grid search
param grid = {"n estimators": [100, 200, 300], "max depth": [None, 5,
10]}
grid_search = GridSearchCV(model2, param grid, cv=5)
grid_search.fit(X_train_scaled, y_train)
best_model2 = grid_search.best_estimator_
# Fit the best model on the scaled data
best model2.fit(X train scaled, y train)
RandomForestClassifier(max depth=10, n estimators=200,
random state=42)
y pred2 = best model2.predict(X test scaled)
# Create confusion matrix
cm = confusion matrix(y test, y pred3)
# Plot confusion matrix
sns.heatmap(cm, annot=True, fmt="d", cmap="Blues")
plt.xlabel("Predicted Label")
plt.vlabel("True Label")
plt.title("Confusion Matrix")
plt.show()
```



```
#evaluation of model
y pred = best model2.predict(X test scaled)
model2 accuracy = accuracy score(y test, y pred)
model2 recall = recall score(y test, y pred)
model2_precision = precision_score(y_test, y_pred)
model2 f1 = f1 score(y test, y pred)
print(f"""
Accuracy Fitted Model: {model2 accuracy:1.3f}
Recall Fitted Model: {model2 recall:1.3f}
Precision Fitted Model: {model2 precision:1.3f}
F1 Score Fitted Model: {model2 f1:1.3f}
""")
Accuracy Fitted Model: 0.784
Recall Fitted Model: 0.729
Precision Fitted Model: 0.783
F1 Score Fitted Model: 0.755
# Predict on training and test sets
training_preds2 = best_model2.predict_proba(X_train_scaled)[:, 1]
test preds2 = best model2.predict proba(X test scaled)[:, 1]
# Calculate false positive rate (fpr), true positive rate (tpr), and
thresholds for ROC curve
training_fpr_r, training_tpr_r, _ = roc_curve(y_train,
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```
training preds2)
test_fpr_r, test_tpr_r, _ = roc_curve(y_test, test_preds2)
# Calculate the AUC score
training auc model2 = roc auc score(y train, training preds2)
test_auc_model2 = roc_auc_score(y_test, test_preds2)
print("Train AUC Score: {:.4f}". format(training_auc_model2))
print("Test AUC Score: {:.4f}".format(test auc model2))
# Plot the ROC curve
plt.plot(training fpr r, training tpr r, label="Train ROC Curve (AUC =
{:.4f})".format(training auc model2))
plt.plot(test_fpr_r, test_tpr_r, label="Test ROC Curve (AUC =
{:.4f})" format(test_auc_model2))
plt.plot([0, 1], [0, 1], "k--", label="Random Guess")
plt.xlabel("False Positive Rate")
plt.ylabel("True Positive Rate")
plt.title("Receiver Operating Characteristic (ROC) Curve for Random
Forest")
plt.legend(loc="lower right")
plt.show()
Train AUC Score: 0.9040
Test AUC Score: 0.8539
```

# Receiver Operating Characteristic (ROC) Curve for Random Forest



**Random Forest Observations** 

- **Accuracy**: the model correctly predicted vaccine uptake with a score of 78.4%.
- **Recall**: 72.9% of actual vaccine recipients were correctly identified.
- **Precision**: 78.3% of those predicted to have taken the vaccine actually took the vaccine.
- **F1-Score**: at 75.5%, it is a good balance between precision and recall.

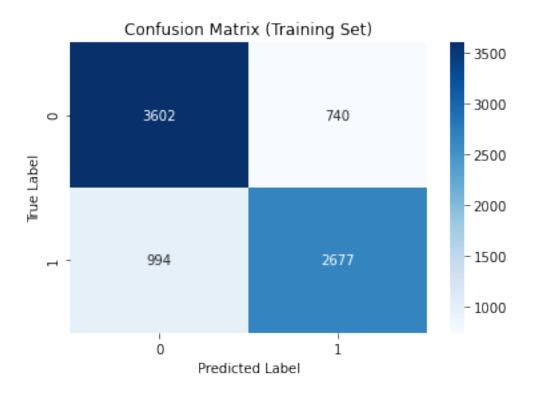
This model's **ROC curve** shows AUC of 0.8539, the highest so far. The model is more effective in predicting the seasonal vaccine uptake based on the provided features. It is able to differentiate between vaccine recipients and non-recipients effectively.

# Model 3 - Decision Trees

```
# Test set predictions
from sklearn.tree import DecisionTreeClassifier
from sklearn.metrics import classification_report
# instantiate
model3 = DecisionTreeClassifier(criterion="gini", max_depth=5)
# fit the model on train data
model3.fit(X_train_scaled, y_train)

y_pred3 = model3.predict(X_test_scaled)
# Plot confusion matrix
cm = confusion_matrix(y_test, y_pred2)
sns.heatmap(cm, annot=True, fmt="d", cmap="Blues")
plt.xlabel("Predicted Label")
plt.ylabel("True Label")
plt.title("Confusion Matrix (Training Set)")

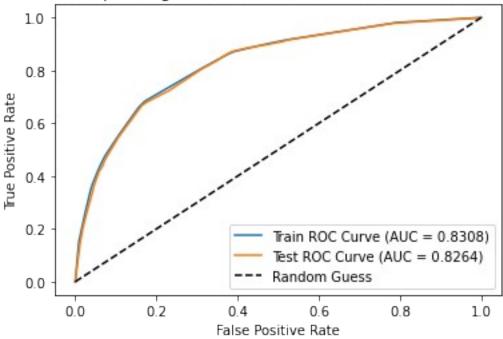
Text(0.5, 1.0, 'Confusion Matrix (Training Set)')
```



```
#evaluation of model
y_pred = model3.predict(X_test_scaled)
model3 accuracy = accuracy score(y test, y pred)
model3_recall = recall_score(y_test, y_pred)
model3_precision = precision_score(y_test, y_pred)
model3 f1 = f1 score(y test, y pred)
print(f"""
Accuracy Fitted Model: {model3 accuracy:1.3f}
Recall Fitted Model: {model3 recall:1.3f}
Precision Fitted Model: {model3 precision:1.3f}
F1 Score Fitted Model: {model3 f1:1.3f}
""")
Accuracy Fitted Model: 0.758
Recall Fitted Model: 0.675
Precision Fitted Model: 0.769
F1 Score Fitted Model: 0.719
# ROC and AUC
# calcluate ROC
# Obtain the predicted probabilities for the positive class
y_test_pred = model3.predict_proba(X_test_scaled)[:, 1]
y train pred = model3.predict proba(X train scaled)[:, 1]
```

```
# Calculate the false positive rate (fpr), true positive rate (tpr),
and thresholds
training_fpr_d, training_tpr_d, _ = roc_curve(y_train, y_train_pred)
test_fpr_d, test_tpr_d, _ = roc_curve(y_test, y_test_pred)
# Calculate the AUC score
auc_score_model3_test = roc_auc_score(y_test, y_test_pred)
auc score model3 train = roc auc score(y train, y train pred)
print("Train AUC Score", auc_score_model3_train)
print("Test AUC Score", auc score model3 test)
# Plot the ROC curve
plt.plot(training fpr d, training tpr d, label="Train ROC Curve (AUC =
{:.4f})".format(auc score model3 train))
plt.plot(test fpr d, test tpr d, label="Test ROC Curve (AUC =
{:.4f})".format(auc_score_model3_test))
plt.plot([0, 1], [0, 1], "k--", Tabel="Random Guess")
plt.xlabel("False Positive Rate")
plt.ylabel("True Positive Rate")
plt.title("Receiver Operating Characteristic (ROC) Curve for Decision
Trees")
plt.legend(loc="lower right")
plt.show()
Train AUC Score 0.8308051327342516
Test AUC Score 0.8264301813572109
```





#### **Decision Trees Observations**

- **Accuracy**: overall, accuracy stands at approximately 0.76, indicating that around 76% of samples are correctly predicted.
- **Recall** shows that about 67.5% of those who received the vaccine were identified.
- **Precision** indicates the model got 76.9% in prediciting vaccine recipients as actual recipients.
- **F1-Score**of 71.9% represents precision and recall in a balanced way.

As per the **ROC curve**, this model has AUC of 0.8264, which is slightly lower than the Logistic Regression model. It is still a commendable performance of predicting positives as positives and negatives as negatives.

# Model 4. XGBoost Algorithm

```
# import library
from xgboost import XGBClassifier

# Instantiate XGBClassifier
model4 = XGBClassifier()

# Fit XGBClassifier
model4.fit(X_train_scaled, y_train)

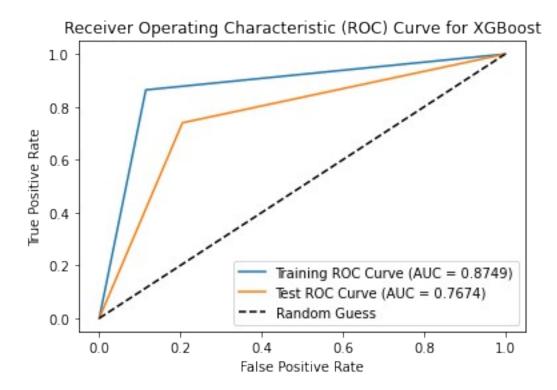
# Predict on training and test sets
training_preds = model4.predict_proba(X_train_scaled)[:, 1]
test_preds = model4.predict_proba(X_test_scaled)[:, 1]
```

```
# Predict on training and test sets
training preds = model4.predict(X train scaled)
test preds = model4.predict(X test scaled)
# Accuracy of training and test sets
training accuracy = accuracy score(y train, training preds)
test_accuracy = accuracy_score(y_test, test_preds)
print("Training Accuracy: {:.4}".format(training accuracy))
print("Validation accuracy: {:.4}".format(test accuracy))
print()
# evaluation
# Calculating precision, recall, and F1-score for the validation set
model4 precision = precision score(y test, test preds)
model4 recall = recall score(y test, test preds)
model4 f1 = f1 score(y test, test preds)
print("Precision: {:.4f}".format(model4 precision))
print("Recall: {:.4f}".format(model4 recall))
print("F1-Score: {:.4f}".format(model4 f1))
Training Accuracy: 0.8755
Validation accuracy: 0.7697
Precision: 0.7532
Recall: 0.7399
F1-Score: 0.7465
# Calculate false positive rate (fpr), true positive rate (tpr), and
thresholds for ROC curve
training_fpr_x, training_tpr_x, _ = roc_curve(y_train, training_preds)
test_fpr_x, test_tpr_x, _ = roc_curve(y_test, test_preds)
# Calculate AUC scores for training and test sets
training auc model4 = roc auc score(y train, training preds)
test auc model4 = roc auc score(y test, test preds)
# Print AUC Score
print("Train AUC Score: {:.4f}". format(training_auc_model4))
print("Test AUC Score: {:.4f}".format(test auc model4))
# Plot the ROC curve
plt.plot(training fpr x, training tpr x, label="Training ROC Curve
(AUC = {:.4f})".format(training auc model4))
plt.plot(test fpr x, test tpr x, label="Test ROC Curve (AUC =
{:.4f})".format(test_auc model4))
plt.plot([0, 1], [0, 1], "k--", label="Random Guess")
plt.xlabel("False Positive Rate")
plt.ylabel("True Positive Rate")
```

```
plt.title("Receiver Operating Characteristic (ROC) Curve for XGBoost")
plt.legend(loc="lower right")
```

plt.show()

Train AUC Score: 0.8749 Test AUC Score: 0.7674



#### **XGBoost Algorithm Observations**

- This model has performed better than Logistic Regression and Decision Trees. It is highly likely that the algorithm has lived up to its performance characteristics of capturing complex patterns in data to provide high and improved accuracy. The results are as follows:
  - **Training Accuracy** of 87.55% suggests that this model was able to classify approximately 87.55% of the samples in the training data.
  - Validation Accuracy of 76.97% suggests that this model was able to classify approcximately 76.97% of the samples in the test data.
  - Recall: 73.99% of actual vaccine recipients (actual positives) were correctly identified.
  - Precision: at 75.32%, the model correcty identified vaccine recipients as true positives.
  - F1-Score: at 74.65%, it is a good balance between precision and recall.

Analysis of the **ROC curve** reveals that the model was the least powerful in prediciting the test data. An AUC of 0.7674 on the test data, while still high, is the least among the four models.

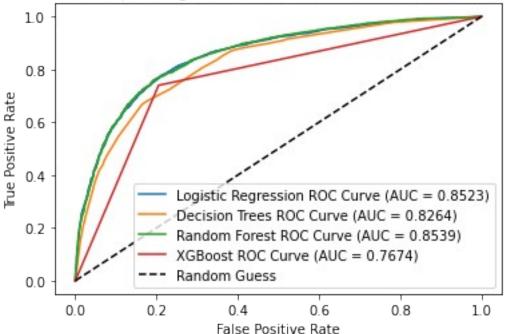
# **Model Evaluation Summary**

```
# create the summary df and define columns
scores = pd.DataFrame(np.array([
        ['Logistic Regression', 78.2, 73.9, 77.4, 85.0, 85.2],
         ['Random Forest', 78.4, 72.9, 78.3, 90.4, 85.4],
        ['Decision Tree', 75.8, 67.5, 76.9, 83.1, 82.6],
       ['XGBoost', 77.0, 74.0, 75.3, 87.5, 76.7]
]))
scores.columns = ["Model", "Accuracy", "Recall", "Precision",
"Training AUC Score", "Test AUC Score"]
scores
                 Model Accuracy Recall Precision Training AUC Score \
   Logistic Regression
                           78.2
                                             77.4
                                   73.9
                                                                 85.0
1
         Random Forest
                           78.4
                                   72.9
                                             78.3
                                                                 90.4
2
         Decision Tree
                           75.8
                                   67.5
                                             76.9
                                                                 83.1
3
               XGBoost
                           77.0
                                  74.0
                                             75.3
                                                                 87.5
  Test AUC Score
0
            85.2
            85.4
1
2
            82.6
3
            76.7
```

 The Random Forest Model (best\_model3) has demonstrated commendable performance in predicting the uptake of the seasonal flu vaccine. It has strong evaluation metrics and an ROC curve with strong discriminatory power.

# Final ROC Curve (all combined for test data)

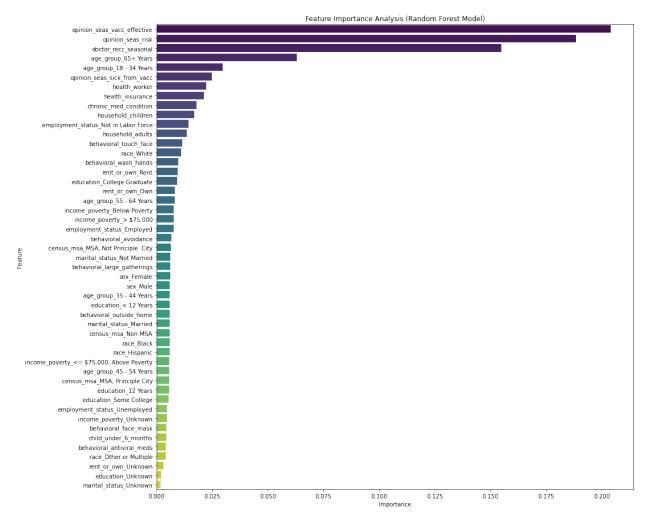




# **Feature Importance Analysis**

• This step will help to further understand the most important features when predicting seasonal flu vaccine uptake.

```
# Get feature importances from the Random Forest model (Model 3)
importance scores = best model3.feature importances
# DataFrame with feature names and importance scores
feature importance df = pd.DataFrame({"Feature": X train.columns,
"Importance": importance scores})
# Sort the features by importance in descending order
feature importance df =
feature importance df.sort values(by="Importance", ascending=False)
# Plotting feature importance
plt.figure(figsize=(15, 15))
sns.barplot(x="Importance", y="Feature", data=feature_importance_df,
palette="viridis")
plt.xlabel("Importance")
plt.ylabel("Feature")
plt.title("Feature Importance Analysis (Random Forest Model)")
plt.show()
```



```
# Set a threshold for feature importance
threshold = 0.05
# Select the features with importance scores above the threshold
selected features =
feature importance df.loc[feature importance df["Importance"] >
threshold, "Feature"]
selected_features
12
      opinion seas vacc effective
13
                opinion_seas_risk
7
             doctor recc seasonal
21
              age group 65+ Years
Name: Feature, dtype: object
```

#### **Feature Importance Observations**

The following were the top features influencing the uptake of the seasonal vaccine in order of importance:

1. opinion seas vacc effective

- As the most influential feature, a respondent's opinion on whether the seasonal flu vaccine was effective mattered a lot.
- This feature is under objective 4

#### opinion\_seas\_risk

- An individual's opinion about risk of getting sick with seasonal flu without the vaccine was the second most important feature in determining the indivuals uptake of the vaccine.
- This feature is under objective 4.

## doctor\_recc\_seasonal

- This is the third most influential feature. It suggests that a doctor recommending the seasonal flu vaccine had a significant influence on vaccine uptake.
- This feature is under objective 4.

#### age\_group\_65+ Years

- Older respondents (65 and above) seemed to prioritize vaccination as the feature played a big role in the decision on vaccine uptake. Other concerns such as health may have influenced respondents in this age group.
- This is a demographic feature.

These are the features that play the most significant role in predicting how likely an individual is to get the seasonal flu vaccine out of all available features.

# Conclusion

# The Data

• The data required a lot of exploration and engineering. Some important features had missing values that would have made the data biased. Other features showed a bias, such as the race feature that was heavily tilted towards the white race.

# The Models

- The models' performance was almost similar. However, with each iteration, the scores and accuracies changed. **Random Forest** emerged the best with an AUC score of 0.8539 on the test data.
- The process of choosing and optimizing model hyperparameters was time consuming.
- A better balance on the data may give more promising results.

#### In summary:

- The role of healthcare professionals can never be downplayed as evidenced by the fact that a doctor's recommendation to get the flu vaccine played a big role.
- Public perception is also important. How people view and feel about vaccines is a big influence on vaccine uptake.
- Age is also a factor. Older people tended to get the seasonal flue vaccine more than younger people.

# Recommendations

- 1. Embrace personalized outreach as a campaign tool so as to target individuals and mould their perception towards immunization.
- 2. Public campaigns should be geared towards bringing onboard more younger people as it seems that they are less likely to get the seasonal flu vaccines.
- 3. The public health sector should continue encouraging doctors to recommend suitable vaccines to their clients. This modelling and analysis process has shown that people are highly likely to listen to their doctor's advice.

#### For further improvements:

- 1. Conduct more feature engineering to get more insight on features influencing uptake of the vaccine.
- 2. Using more recent data to create predictions, especially after the recent Covid-19 pandemic, may provide better outlooks on the results.