

The Battle of neighborhoods week1 [Part1]

Popular Venue and neighborhood crime in Uptown Chicago

1.1Background

City of Chicago

City of Chicago is one of the most famous city in US. It is mostly known for its iconic landmarks, wide range diversity and so on. It is the most populous city in state of IL and 3rd most populous city in US according to last year (WIKI, n.d.).It is an international hub for financial activity, education, technology, telecommunication, culture and commerce. Chicago city is divided into 77 community by the researcher of university of Chicago in the year 1920 and these communities are divided into more than 200 neighborhoods .City wise its population is evenly distributed among Hispanic, Black, White, and Asian. At micro label its neighborhood is quite segregated. Diversity of population in a community or neighborhood reflects on the types of available ethnic restaurant. Chicago city it also known for its high violent crime rate among the nation. So there is also some fear always come across through the travelers minds who wants to explore any not so popular neighborhoods.

Chicago Uptown Community

Chicago uptown community is historically famous in north side of the city. It boast the city's one of the diverse community because of its welcoming nature towards the immigrants from all corner of the worlds. Uptown's boundaries are Foster Avenue on the north; Lake Michigan on the east; Montrose (Ravenswood to Clark), and Irving Park (Clark Street to Lake Michigan) on the south; Ravenswood (Foster to Montrose), and Clark (Montrose to Irving Park) on the west. To the north is Edgewater, to the west is Lincoln Square, and to the south is Lake View. It is divided into 6 Neighborhood. They are

- Buena Park,
- Clarendon Park
- Margate Park
- New Chinatown/Argyle Park
- Sheridan Park
- Uptown

1.2 Business problem

Few public place like Chicago Lakeshore Hospital, Methodist Hospital of Chicago, Thorek Memorial, Hospital, Northwestern University, City college of Chicago are parts of or nearby this community. That means lots of people visit this neighborhood from somewhere else daily basis. Suppose some grad student came to northwestern university campus to attain a whole day conference or job fare from other part of IL or Chicago. No matter how busy his schedule is he needs to give some fuel to his body i.e food. Since uptown is also famous for its ethnic restaurant so he is curious about which ethnic restaurants are dominant around this community or are the whole uptown community has same characteristic or they have some dissimilarity. Again few Chicago area are well known for its high crime rate. So this project will do some exploratory crime data analysis in this project.

1.3 who would be interested in this project?

If you are planning to have trip to Northside Chicago soon, than this project is plan and executed for you. Before reaching your destination if you get chance to read this report than BAM!!! You already know where to go to have your lunch /dinner or simply a cup of hot coffee without any fear of discovering you self in a violent situation.