



# Hospital Location Recommendation

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**The goal of this project is to determine the best location for a new hospital in Toronto based on current hospitals, population data, and health-related venues.**



# Data Sources

- Hospitals in Toronto data from Wikipedia and the Google Maps API
- Toronto population data from the Canada census website
- Health-related venue data from the Foursquare API



This map includes three layers of data:

1. Hospitals marked with blue H arrows.
2. Population data as a heatmap.
3. Health-related venues (pharmacies, gyms, fitness studios) marked as yellow circles.



# What does the data tells us?

- There appears to be no correlation between hospital location and health-related venues or between population and health-related venues.
- However, there appears to be a negative correlation between hospitals and population. The areas that have the largest population do not have the highest density of hospitals.

**Therefore, the new hospital location is recommended for North or Northeast Toronto, where the population is greatest but the pre-existing hospital density is lowest.**

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## Recommended Future Analysis

- Parsing out specific information about the hospitals and the people that go to them.
- Analyzing socioeconomic data; there may be a correlation between income and number of hospitals in a region.
- Considering hospital quality through government rankings.
- Including the number of people who work in a region in the population data, instead of just the people who live there.