



# Where to Open the Next Fast Food Restaurant

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# Essential Questions:

- How does the population relate to the total number of fast food restaurants in a given state?
- How does the population percent change relate to the total restaurants
- How does the average household income compare to the total population and restaurants?
- What is the best location in our specified state to open a restaurant?

# Motivation:



**1. Interest in Owning a Business/Franchise or helping others who have this desire**



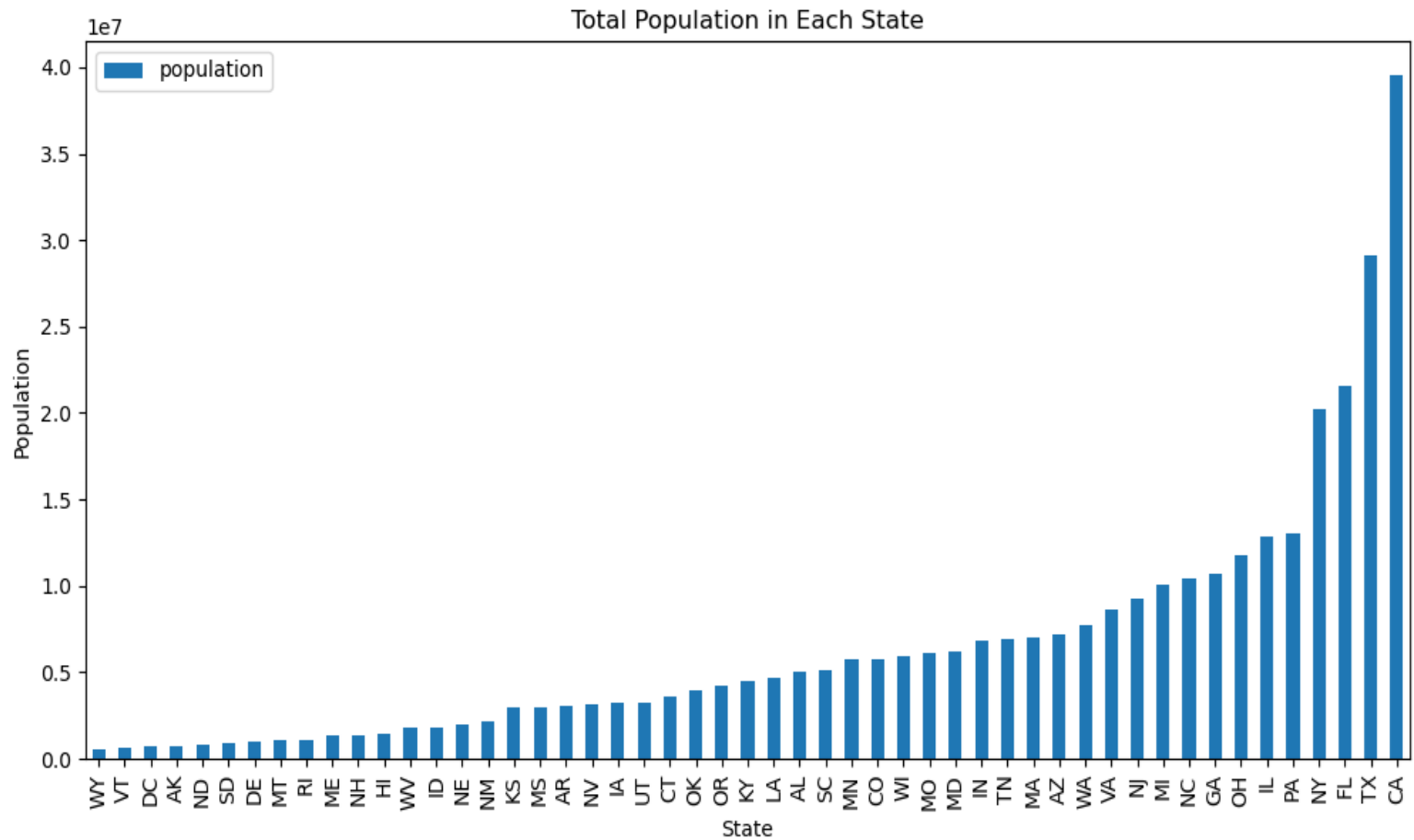
**2. An interest in the profitability of the fast food industry and fast food companies themselves**

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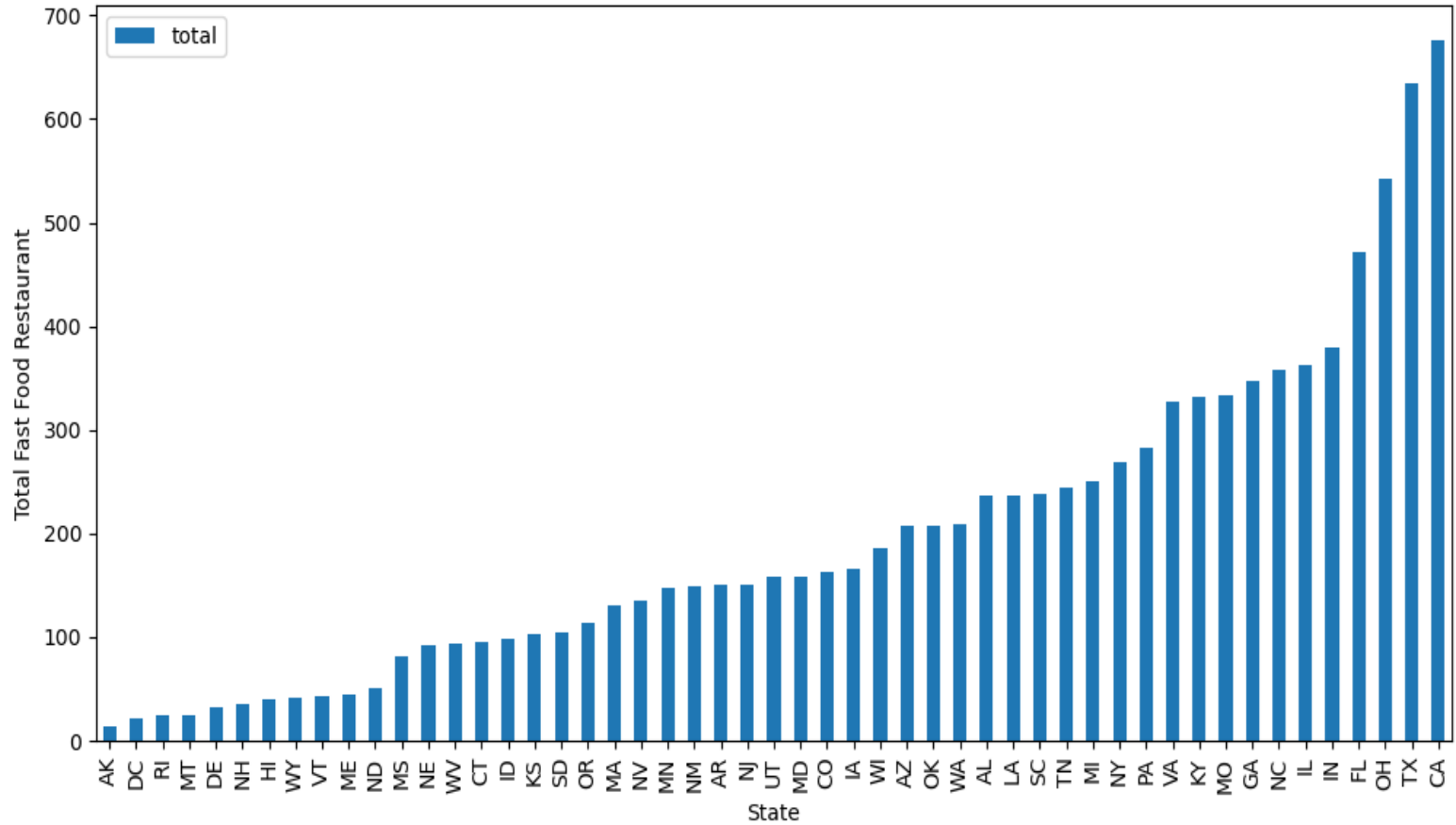
# Population vs Number of Fast Food Restaurants

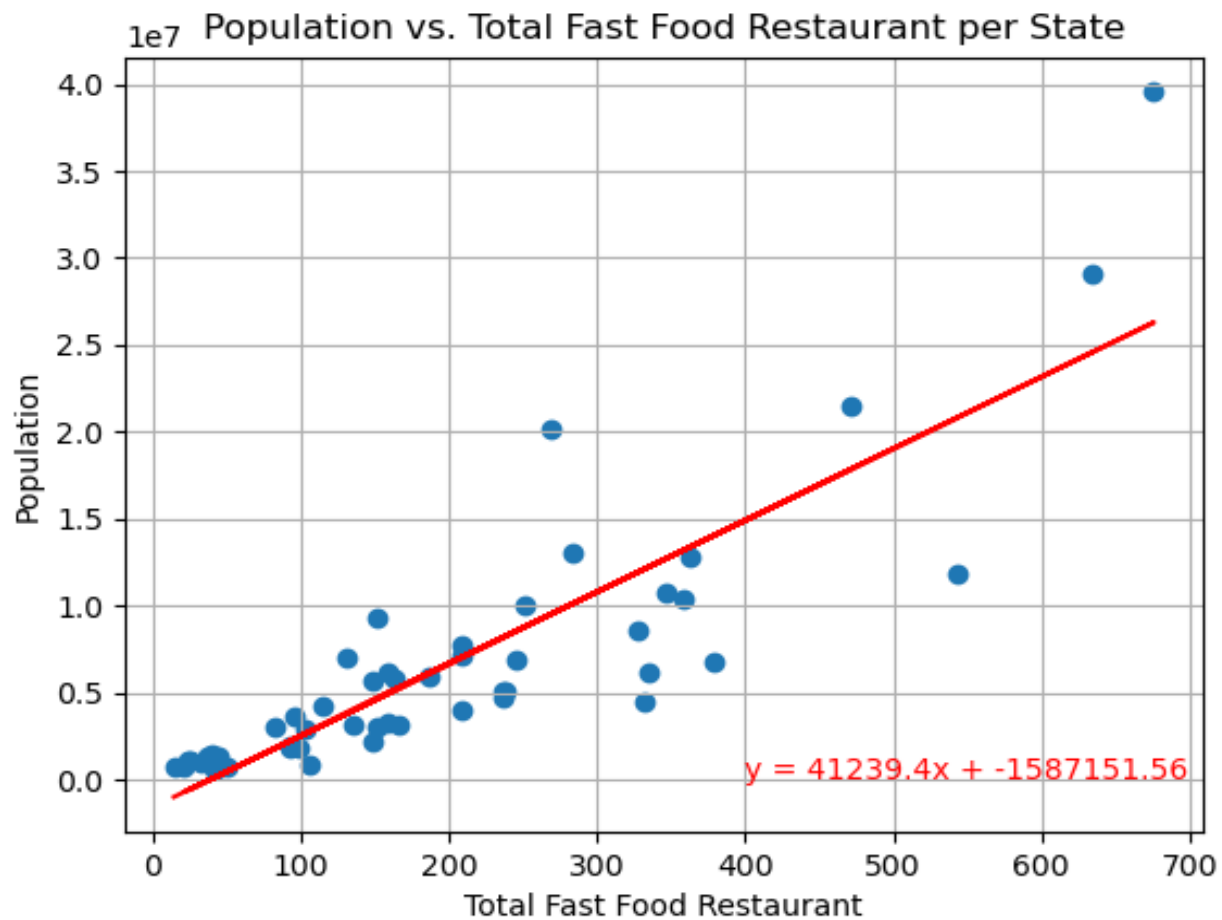
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Total Fast Food Restaurant in Each State





# Analysis:



- The “r” value is 0.86 which represents a strong positive correlation
- From the bar graphs it is evident that as the population increases, so does the total number of fast food restaurants in most cases.
- This is further supported by the scatter plot that shows the total number of restaurants is increasing with the total population.





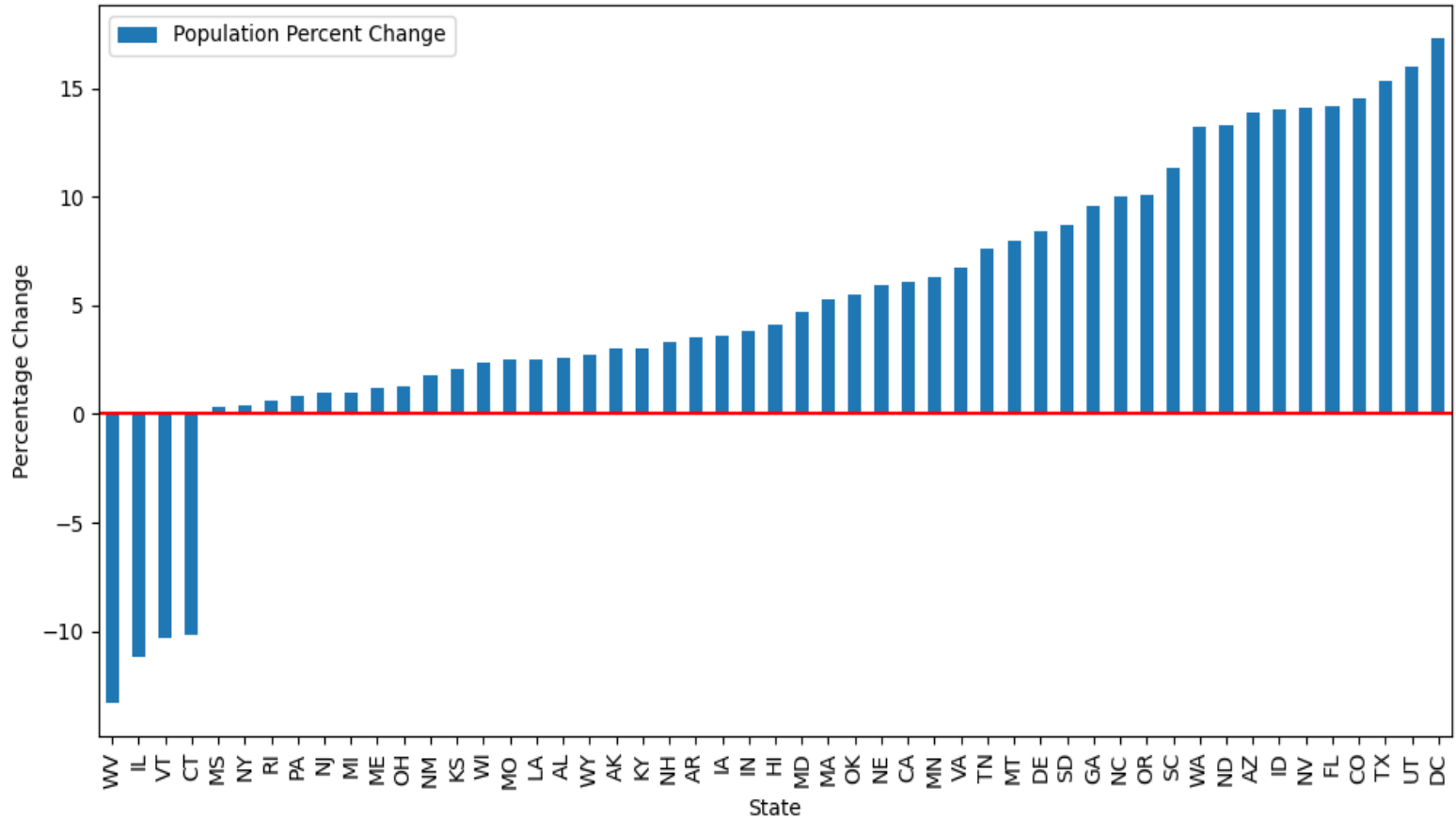
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How does the population  
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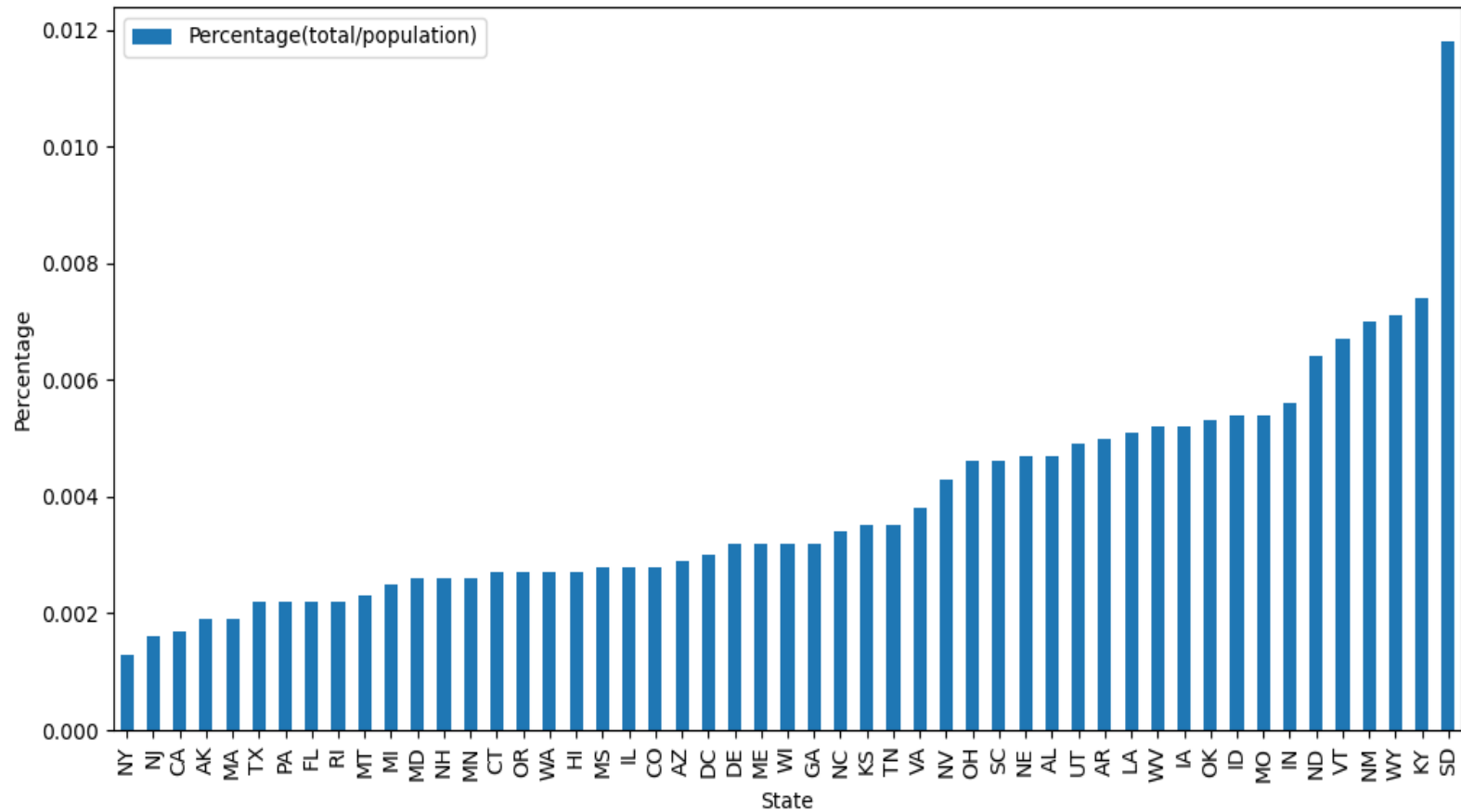
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Percentage Change in Each State



Percentage in Each State



# Analysis:



- From the second bar graph it is evident that states with a smaller population had a higher ratio of restaurants to the total population.
- South Dakota ranks in the bottom five states in terms of total population (excluding Washington D.C.) but has the highest ratio shown in the second bar graph.
- As the population changes, the number of fast food restaurants fluctuates alongside it. When the population decreases the number of fast food restaurants declines and vice versa.

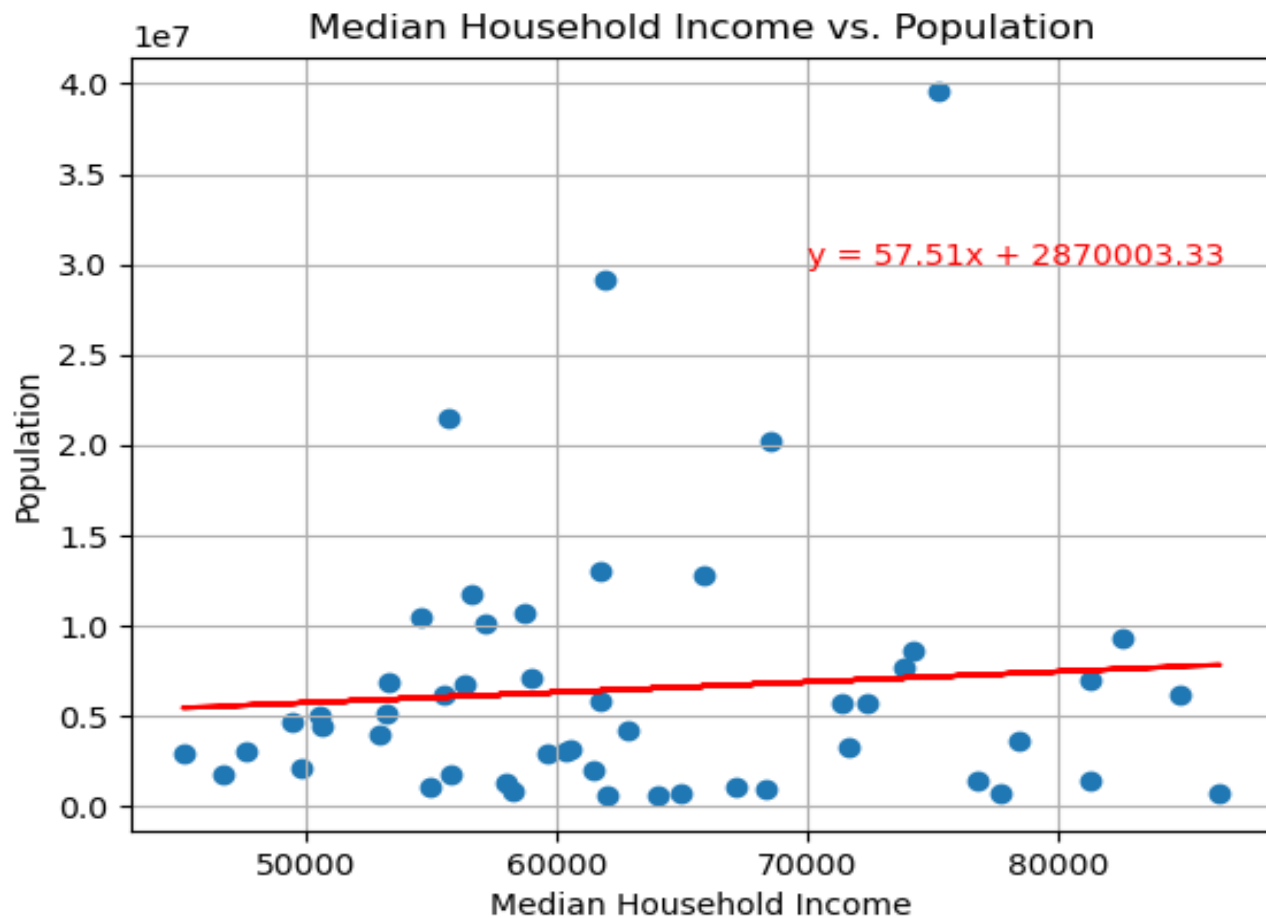


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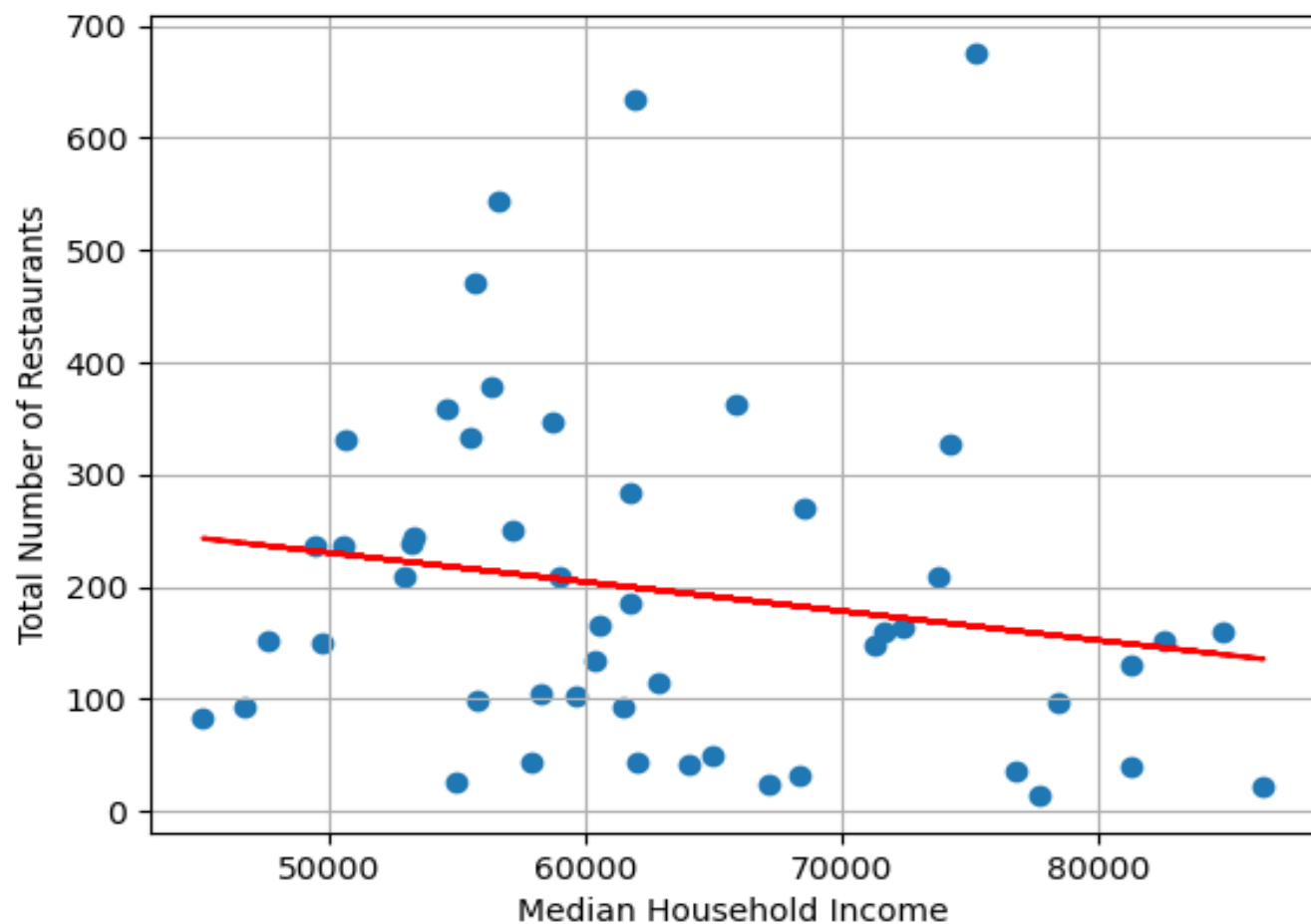
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income compare to the total  
population and restaurants?**

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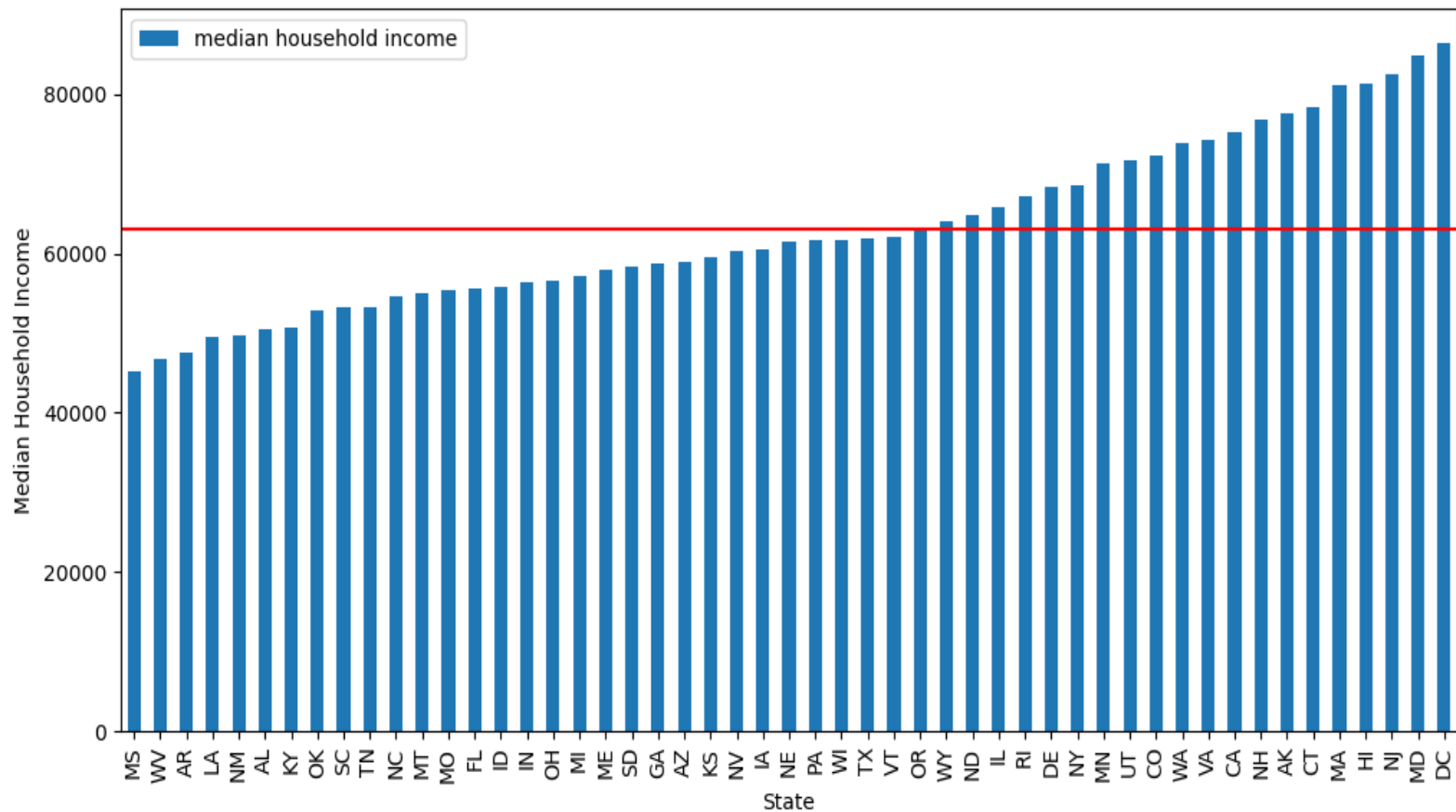




Median Household Income vs. Total number of restaurants



Median Household Income Each State







## Analysis:



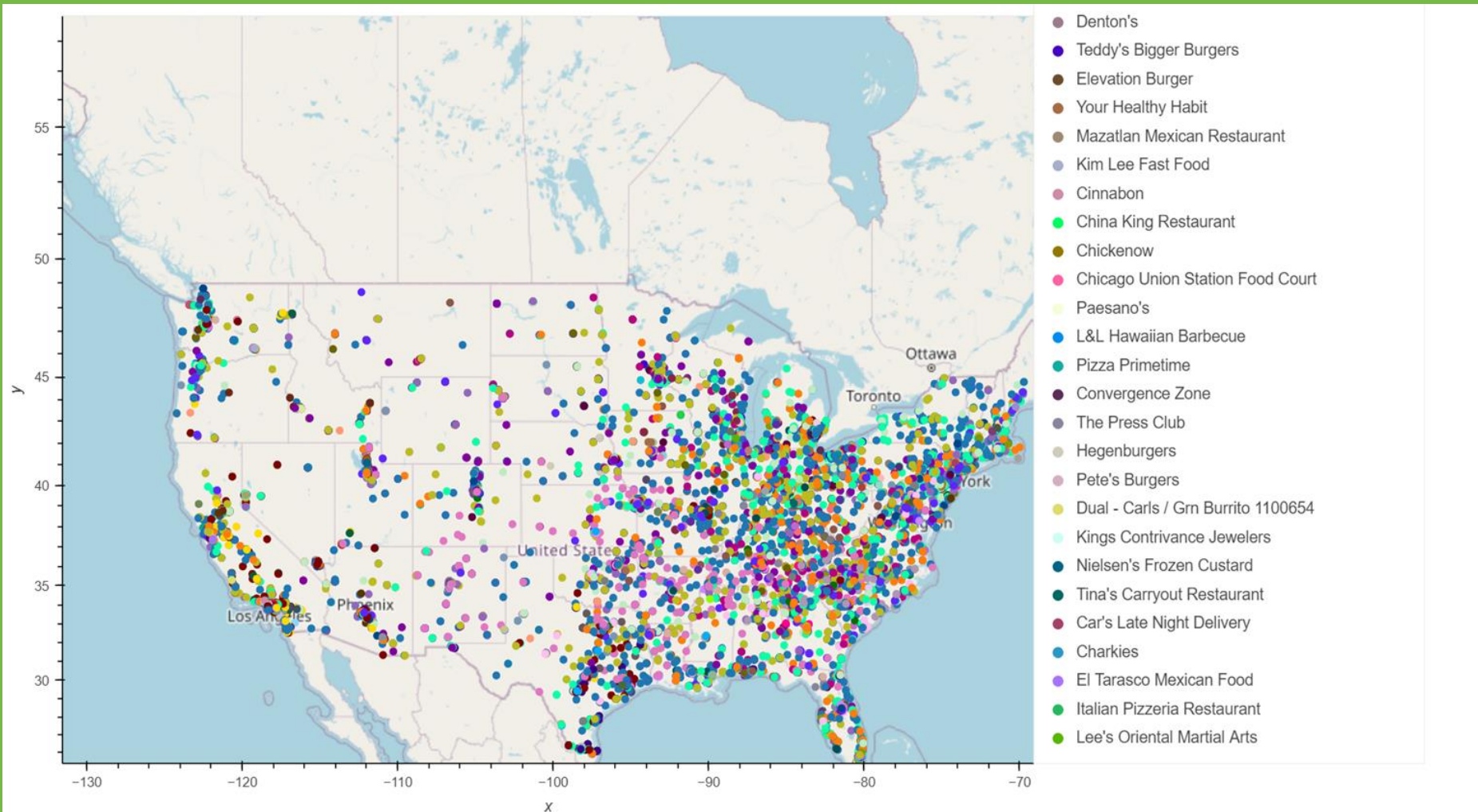
- The median household income was about \$63,000
- From Wyoming to the right are states above the median. This helps us gauge which states have higher poverty rates.
- Based on the scatter plot that shows median household income vs population, there is a very weak positive correlation between the two.
- The “r-value” is 0.08 which is very close to zero and represents what is being shown on the graph as the regression line looks almost straight.
- As income increases the total number of restaurants decreases

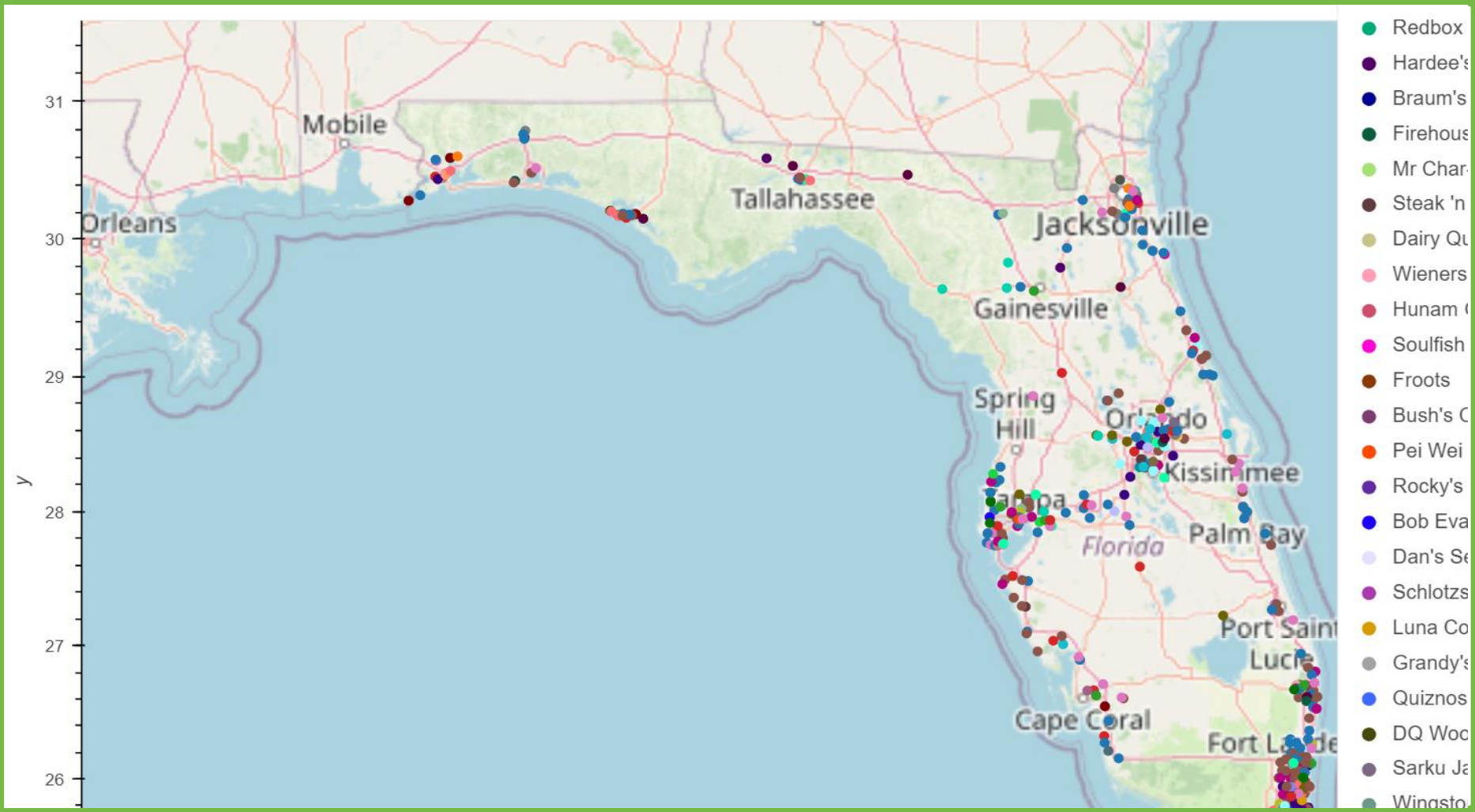
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Where is the best location  
in the state to open?

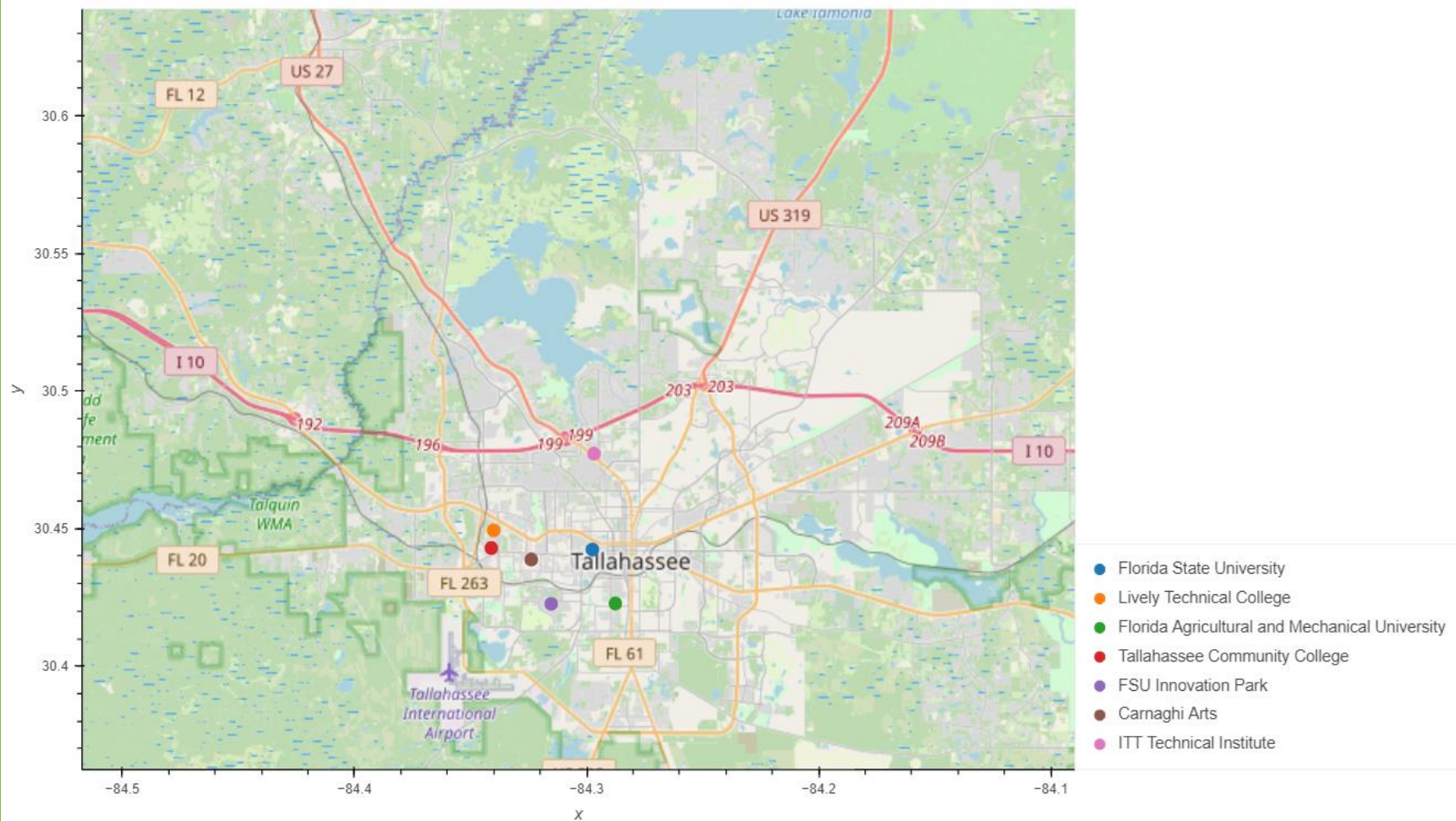
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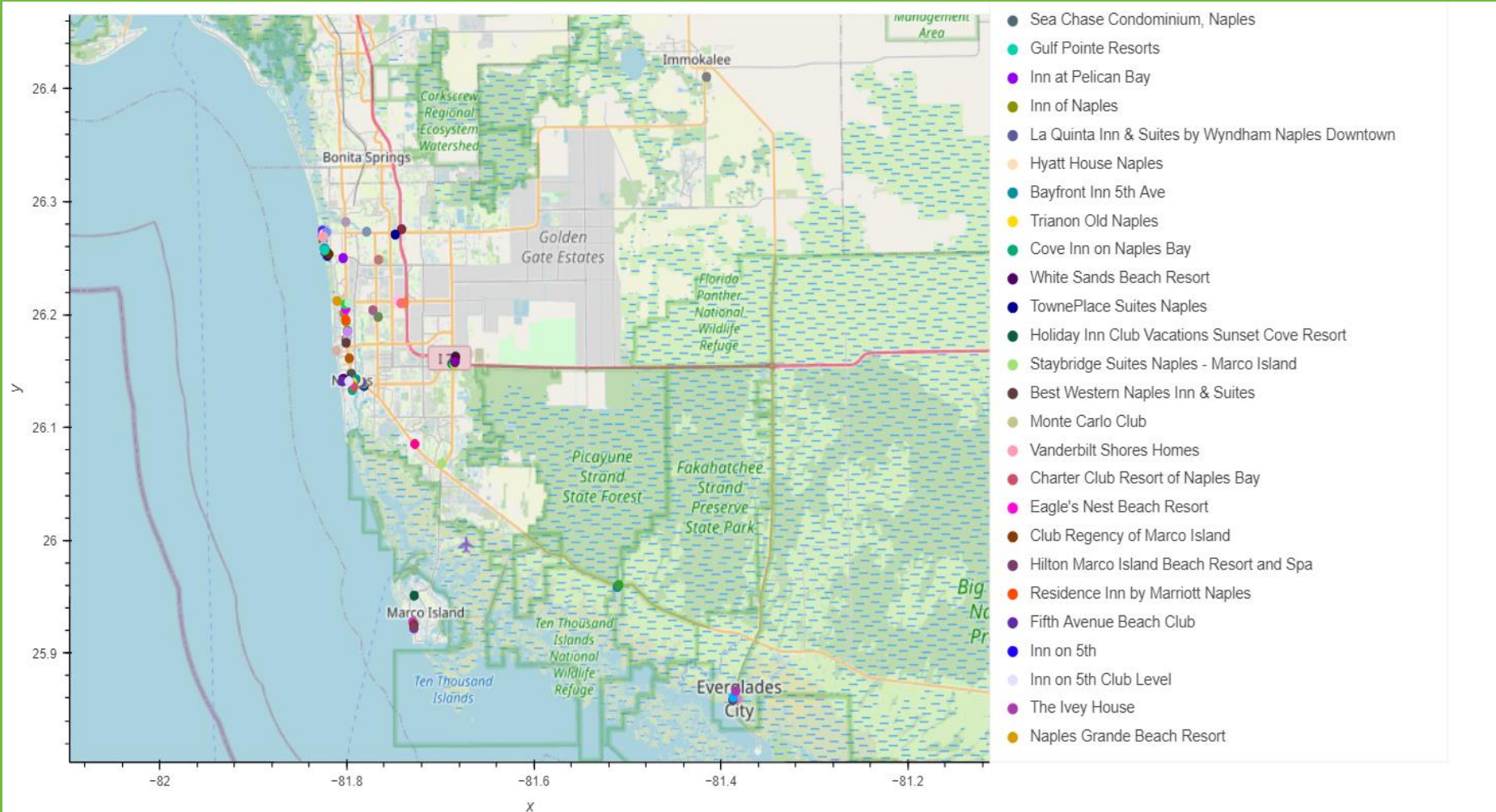




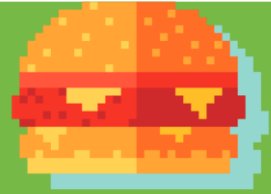




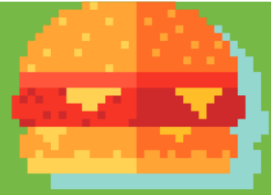




# Conclusions:



- We chose Florida as the best location to open our next fast food restaurant
- Based off the data, although Florida is in the top 5 in total population and number of fast food restaurants, the ratio of restaurants to people is very small and population continues to increase in Florida
- We found that as the median household income increased, there were less fast food restaurants.
- Despite being on the lower end of median household income, Florida had many areas that did not have an abundance of fast food restaurants.



# Conclusions:



- Two areas in Florida that we deemed suitable to open a new fast food restaurant are in Tallahassee and near Naples.
- Tallahassee is home to Florida State University. According to Jacqueline Howard of CNN, people aged 20-39 eat more fast food than any other age group. Although, this is a large age spread, college students fit directly in to this.
- The final map shows hotels around Naples. There are an abundance of hotels as it is a big vacation spot, but if you look at the map of Florida there are not many fast food restaurants.



# Implications:



- It is evident that there are an abundance of fast food restaurants in the United States, but there are still plenty of locations to add more.
- These findings can be used to look in to other specific states outside of Florida.
- For future research, we can do more research on specific fast food restaurant's yearly revenue and revenue changes.
- Other points of new research could include demographics from specific states, such as ethnicity and race. These could factor in to the success of a fast food restaurant.

# Where the data was found:



## Fast Food Data:

- The data was found on “Kaggle”
- This is a list of over 10,000 restaurants
- Includes the name, address, latitude and longitude of each place



## Demographics Data:

- This data was found using the “CORGIS Dataset Project”
- This data was provided by Ryan Whitcomb, Joung Min Choi, Bo Guan
- Includes many different demographics for each state, such as income, population, and age.

# How the data was found:



## Fast Food Data:

- Google Search
- Looked through multiple websites to see where the best and most reliable csv file could be found



## Demographics Data:

- Google Search
- Went through Census Data
- Looked through multiple csv files to find one that included all aspects that would help us answer our essential questions