



Communities and Crime

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Communities within the United States. The data combines socio-economic data from the 1990 US Census, law...



Dataset Characteristics

Multivariate

Subject Area

Social Science

Associated Tasks

Regression

Feature Type

Real

Instances

1994

Features

127

Dataset Information



Additional Information

Many variables are included so that algorithms that select or learn weights for attributes could be tested. However, clearly unrelated attributes were not included; attributes were picked if there was any plausible connection to crime (N=122), plus the attribute to be predicted (Per Capita Violent Crimes). The variables included in the dataset involve the community, such as the percent of the population considered urban, and the

median family income, and involving law enforcement, such as per capita number of police officers, and percent of officers assigned to drug units.

The per capita violent crimes variable was calculated using population and the sum of crime variables considered violent crimes in the United States: murder, rape, robbery, and assault. There was apparently some controversy in some states concerning the counting of rapes. These resulted in missing values for rape, which resulted in incorrect values for per capita violent crime. These cities are not included in the dataset. Many of these omitted communities were from the midwestern USA.

Data is described below based on original values. All numeric data was normalized into the decimal range 0.00-1.00 using an Unsupervised, equal-interval binning method. Attributes retain their distribution and skew (hence for example the population attribute has a mean value of 0.06 because most communities are small). E.g. An attribute described as 'mean people per household' is actually the normalized (0-1) version of that value.

The normalization preserves rough ratios of values WITHIN an attribute (e.g. double the value for double the population within the available precision - except for extreme values (all values more than 3 SD above the mean are normalized to 1.00; all values more than 3 SD below the mean are normalized to 0.00)).

However, the normalization does not preserve relationships between values BETWEEN attributes (e.g. it would not be meaningful to compare the value for

whitePerCap with the value for blackPerCap for a community)

A limitation was that the LEMAS survey was of the police departments with at least 100 officers, plus a random sample of smaller departments. For our purposes, communities not found in both census and crime datasets were omitted. Many communities are missing LEMAS data.

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@relation crimepredict

@attribute state numeric

@attribute county numeric

@attribute community numeric

@attribute communityname string

@attribute fold numeric

@attribute population numeric

@attribute householdsize numeric

@attribute racepctblack numeric

@attribute racePctWhite numeric

@attribute racePctAsian numeric

@attribute racePctHisp numeric

@attribute agePct12t21 numeric

@attribute agePct12t29 numeric

@attribute agePct16t24 numeric

@attribute agePct65up numeric

@attribute numbUrban numeric

@attribute pctUrban numeric

@attribute medIncome numeric

@attribute pctWWage numeric

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@attribute LemasPctOfficDrugUn numeric
@attribute PolicBudgPerPop numeric
@attribute ViolentCrimesPerPop numeric
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@data
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Has Missing Values?

Yes

Introductory Paper



A data-driven software tool for enabling cooperative information sharing among police departments

By Michael Redmond, Alok Baveja. 2002

Published in European Journal of Operational Research

Variables Table



Variable Name	Role	Type	Demographic	Descript
state	Feature	Integer		
county	Feature	Integer		
community	Feature	Integer		
communityname	Feature	Categorical		

Variable Name	Role	Type	Demographic	Descript
fold	Feature	Integer		
population	Feature	Continuous		
householdsize	Feature	Continuous		
racepctblack	Feature	Continuous	Race	
racePctWhite	Feature	Continuous	Race	
racePctAsian	Feature	Continuous	Race	



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Additional Variable Information



Attribute Information: (122 predictive, 5 non-predictive, 1 goal)

-- state: US state (by number) - not counted as ...

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File	Size
communities.data	1.1MB
communities.names	27KB

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Operationalizing Individual Fairness with Pairwise Fair...

By Preethi Lahoti, Krishna Gummadi, Gerhard Weikum. 2019

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