EXPLORING TOPICS AND THE SENTIMENT OF NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION TWEETS

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BACKGROUND

- Many people make New Year's resolutions to better their lives.
- The majority of individuals (~60-80%) fail to keep their resolutions.
- To help individuals make lasting changes, different types of support are needed depending on the topic of the resolution.



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Objectives

- I. Determine topics that people are tweeting about related to New Year's resolutions.
- 2. Explore the overall sentiment of tweets related to New Year's resolutions.

Goal

• Identify how we can best support individuals to keep their resolutions and improve their health and well-being.

METHODS: DATA

- 16,660 Tweets scraped using Tweepy and the terms:
 - "New Years Resolution" (5,000 tweets), "2022 Resolution" (5,000 tweets)
 - "#NewYearResolution" (5,000 tweets),
 "#NewYearsResolution" (1,660 tweets)
- Time Frame: January 5, 2022 January 19, 2022
- Search included only tweets in English and excluded retweets that did not have a user comment.
- Features included: text of tweet, number of favorites, number of retweets, username, and user ID.



METHODS: MODELS

Topic Modeling

- Exploratory data analysis with: CountVectorizer and TfidfVectorizer as well as LSA, NMF, LDA.
- CorEx used to finalize the topics using the terms found in the exploratory analysis.
- WordCloud to create a word cloud for each topic.

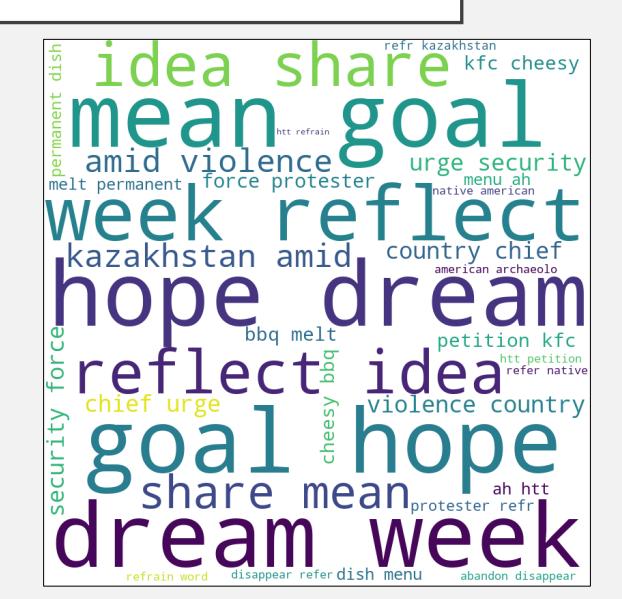
Sentiment Analysis

 Utilized VADER to explore the general sentiment of different topics and the most popular tweets.

TOPIC MODELING

"New Years Resolutions" and "2022 Resolutions"

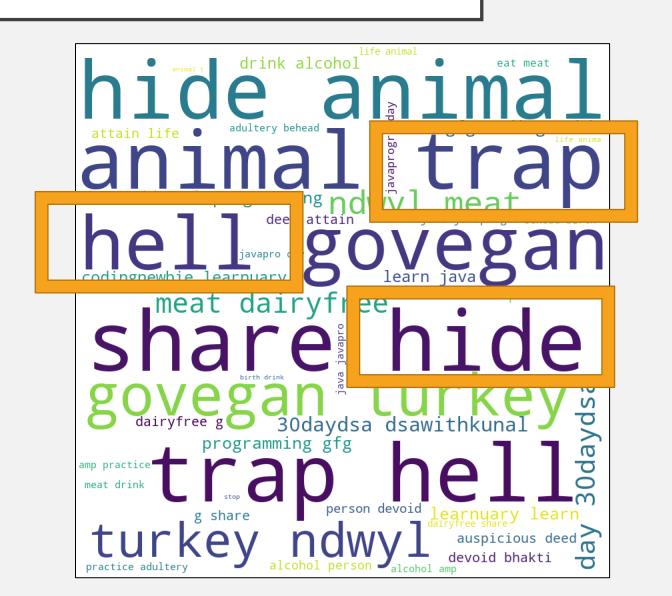
- Politics
- Finances
- Travel
- Hopes/dreams/goals
- New beginnings
- K-Pop band
- Giveaways



TOPIC MODELING

"#NewYearsResolution" and "#NewYearResolution"

- Abstaining from alcohol
- Veganism
- Crypto currency



SENTIMENT OF TWEETS

 Overall sentiment: 0.14 (overall positive)

- Most positive tweet: 0.98
- Most negative tweet: -1.00

Resolve to read more in 2022. Staff pick.

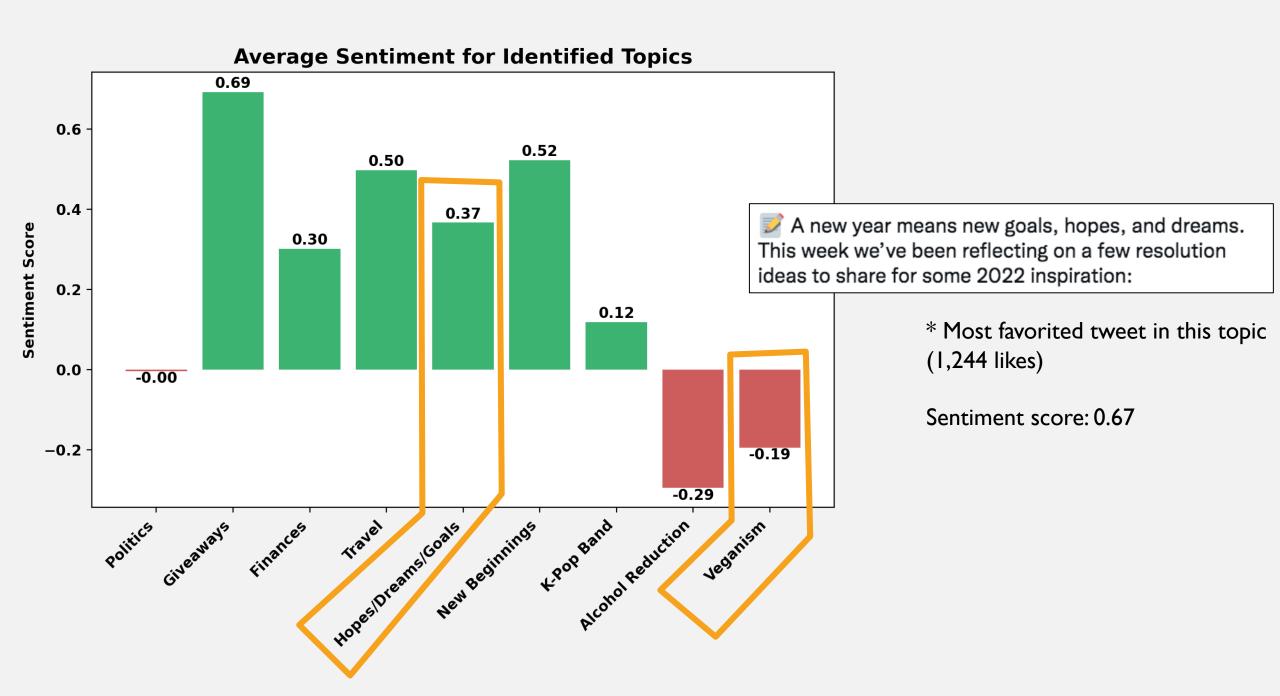
Life is changing for a small community of Pacific NW loggers in the 1970s. Life is tough & getting tougher. Request a copy from bccls.org

#newyearresolution #resolvetoreadmorein2022

#happynewyear







CONCLUSION

- Tweets about New Year's resolutions cover a variety of topics.
- There are already many tweets about setting goals and using New Year's resolutions as an opportunity to improve (so more tweets on this topic are not needed)
- Positive tweets about alcohol consumption and diet could be an area to target to support individuals with their New Year's resolutions.

