Massachusetts Cities Clustering

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Clustering cities can show prospective students what each city has to offer and help them choose a college to attend

- Choosing which college or university to attend is one of the biggest decisions that you will make in terms of your personal and professional development
- Off-campus experience offered, including the historical, cultural and social background of the college's city since at the end attending college is preparing us to become active members of our societies
- Knowing in advance the different types of environments offered by the cities would facilitate prospective college students the important task of choosing which college or university to attend

Data acquisition and cleaning

 The data that will be used for this project will be a List of colleges and universities in Massachusetts published in Wikipedia in the following link: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_colleges_and_universities_in_Massachusetts.

| | School | Location | Control | Туре | Enrollment | Founded |
|---|---|------------------|--|-----------------------------------|------------|---------|
| 0 | American International College | Springfield | Private not-for-profit | Master's university | 2177 | 1885 |
| 1 | Amherst College | Amherst | Private not-for-profit | Baccalaureate college | 1817 | 1821 |
| 2 | Anna Maria College | Paxton | Private not-for-profit | Master's university | 1455 | 1946 |
| 3 | Assumption College | Worcester | Private not-for-profit | Master's university | 2813 | 1904 |
| 4 | Babson College | Wellesley | Private not-for-profit | Special-focus institution | 3250 | 1919 |
| 5 | Bard College at Simon's Rock | Great Barrington | Private not-for-profit | Baccalaureate/associate's college | 354 | 1964 |
| 6 | Bay Path University | Longmeadow | Private not-for-profit Baccalaureate college | | 2370 | 1897 |
| 7 | Bay State College | Boston | For-profit Associate's college | | 1721 | 1946 |
| 8 | Becker College | Worcester | Private not-for-profit | Baccalaureate college | 1826 | 1784 |
| 9 | Benjamin Franklin Institute of Technology | Boston | Private not-for-profit | Special-focus institution | 475 | 1908 |

Insights from the numeric features

- The oldest college in Massachusetts is Harvard University founded in 1636.
- The newest college in Massachusetts is Olin College founded in 1997
- The college with the highest enrollment is Boston University with 32603 students
- The college with the lowest enrollment is Conway School of Landscape Design with 18 students
- The average enrollment for a college in Massachusetts is approximately 4780 students
- The total number of students enrolled in Massachusetts is 497170 students
- 1 college was founded in the 17th century
- 2 colleges were founded in the 18th century
- 40 colleges were founded in the 19th century
- 61 colleges were founded in the 20th century

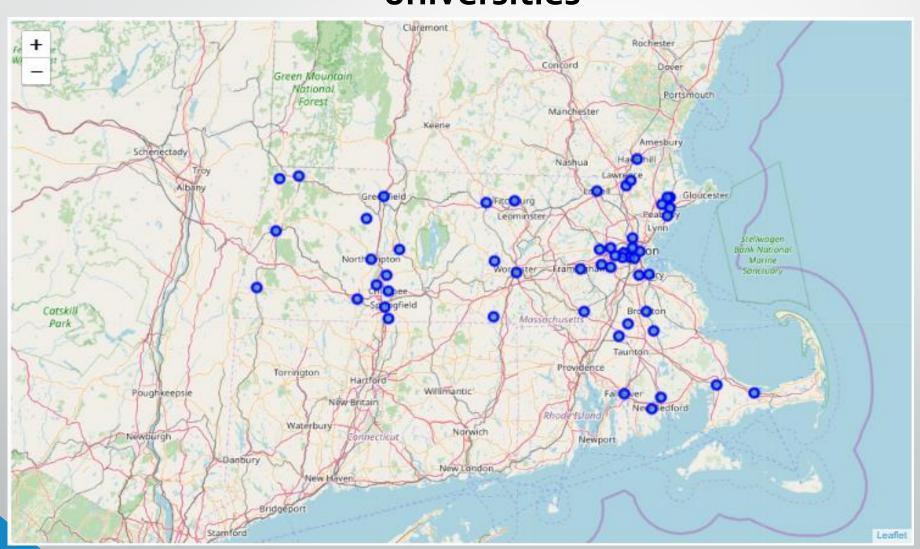
Insights from the categorical features

- We can see that there are 104 distinct colleges in the dataset, in a total of 53 different locations
- The location with most colleges is Boston with a total of 24 colleges
- The most common type of college are Special-focus institutions
- Most colleges are in Boston, Worcester and Cambridge
- 72 colleges are Private not-for-profit, 30 are Public and 2 are For-profit
- 28 colleges are Special-focus institutions, 22 are Baccalaureate colleges, 20 are Master's universities, 20 are Associate's colleges and 14 are Research universities

Table with the location of each city

| | City | Number of Colleges | Colleges | Latitude | Longitude |
|---|-------------|--------------------|--|-----------|------------|
| 0 | Amherst | 3 | Amherst College, Hampshire College, University o | 42.368566 | -72.505714 |
| 1 | Andover | 1 | Massachusetts School of Law | 42.657170 | -71.140878 |
| 2 | Beverly | 2 | Endicott College, Montserrat College of Art | 42.558428 | -70.880049 |
| 3 | Boston | 24 | Bay State College, Benjamin Franklin Institute | 42.360253 | -71.058291 |
| 4 | Bourne | 1 | Massachusetts Maritime Academy | 41.741217 | -70.598920 |
| 5 | Bridgewater | 1 | Bridgewater State University | 41.990379 | -70.975043 |
| 6 | Brighton | 1 | Saint John's Seminary | 42.350097 | -71.156442 |
| 7 | Brockton | 1 | Massasoit Community College | 42.083433 | -71.018379 |
| 8 | Brookline | 2 | Boston Graduate School of Psychoanalysis, Helle | 42.331764 | -71.121163 |
| 9 | Cambridge | 6 | Cambridge College,Harvard University,Hult Inte | 42.375100 | -71.105616 |

Massachusetts' map with the cities that have colleges and universities



Top 10 venues for each city in Massachusetts that has colleges and universities and corresponding cluster using k-means with 4 clusters

| | City | Number of Colleges | Colleges | Latitude | Longitude | Cluster Labels | 1st Most Common Venue | 2nd Most Common Venue | 3rd Most Common Venue | 4th Most Common Venue | 5th Most Common Venue | 6th Most Common Venue | 7th Most Common Venue | 8th Most Common Venue | 9th Most Common Venue | 10th Most Common Venue |
|--------------|--------|--------------------------|---|-----------|------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 0 Am | nherst | 3 | Amherst College,Hampshire College,University 0 | 42.368566 | -72.505714 | 0 | Coffee Shop | Grocery Store | Sandwich Place | Hotel | American Restaurant | Bakery | Pizza Place | Department Store | Liquor Store | Breakfast Spot |
| 1 And | dover | 1 | Massachusetts School of Law | 42.657170 | -71.140878 | 1 | Coffee Shop | American Restaurant | Pizza Place | Italian Restaurant | Sandwich Place | Restaurant | Gym / Fitness Center | Fast Food Restaurant | Donut Shop | Burger Joint |
| 2 Be | everly | 2 | Endicott College,Montserrat College of Art | 42.558428 | -70.880049 | 0 | Coffee Shop | Italian Restaurant | Park | Pizza Place | Bakery | Ice Cream Shop | Pub | Sandwich Place | Indie Movie Theater | Brewery |
| 3 B | oston | 24 | Bay State College,Benjamin Franklin Institute | 42.360253 | -71.058291 | 0 | Park | Bakery | Seafood Restaurant | Gym | Coffee Shop | Hotel | Historic Site | Pizza Place | Sandwich Place | New American Restaurant |
| 4 Bo | ourne | 1 | Massachusetts Maritime Academy | 41.741217 | -70.598920 | 1 | Seafood Restaurant | Donut Shop | Convenience Store | American Restaurant | Park | Sandwich Place | Restaurant | Beach | Gas Station | Breakfast Spot |

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