EDA Project - King County House Prices

Exploratory Data Analysis

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Initial situation

Client: Erin Robinson

Business expectation: invest in economically weak neighborhoods

buy and sell

cost back and small profit

socially responsible

Goal of this EDA

The purpose of this exploratory data analysis is to enable socially responsible, small-margin real estate transactions (purchases and sales) in economically weak urban neighbourhoods.

- To achieve this, economically weak districts within King County are identified.
- Selection criteria for buying and selling houses are named, which contribute to the achievement of low profit as well as to social responsibility.

Hypothesis

The starting point of the present EDA are the following hypotheses:

- 1. There are economically weak districts in King County.
- 2. Selling date has an impact on houses price.
- 3. Houses with more bedrooms are more costly.

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First Hypothesis

> There are economically weak districts in King County

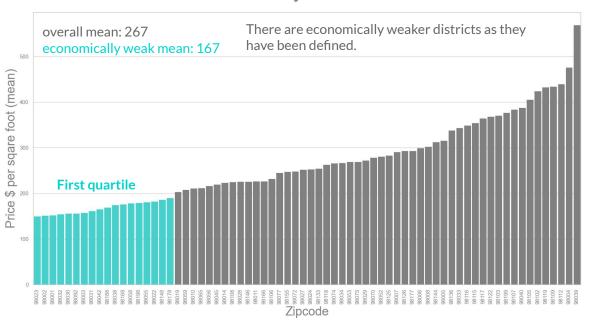
Economically weak districts

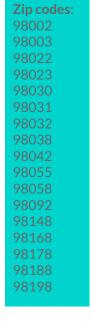
In order to define economically weak districts, the average (mean) price per square feet living has been used. It has been calculated for each zip code.

The lower quartile of this ratio sets the searched range.

Those are the neighborhoods, where it is recommended to our client to buy houses.







Second Hypothesis

> Selling date has an impact on houses price

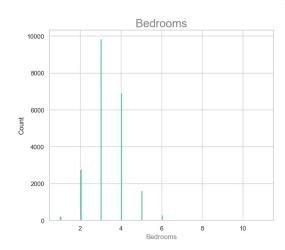


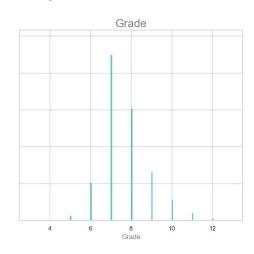
There are no significant differences between months in terms of selling price. In the relevant - economically weak - districts, those differences are even weaker.

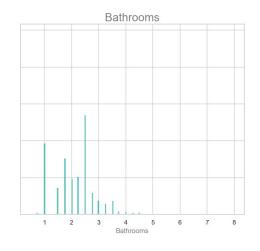
Third Hypothesis

Houses with more bedrooms are more costly

Frequency distribution - all districts



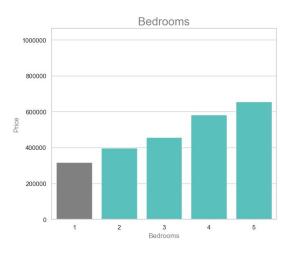


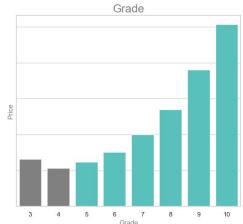


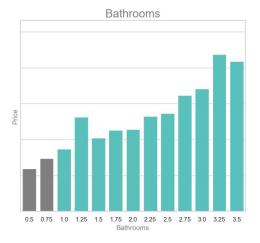
Frequency distribution of categorical variables with relevant impact on price.

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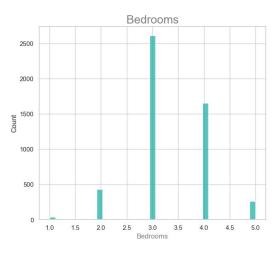
Correlation with price - all districts

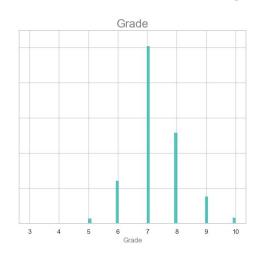






Frequency distribution - economically weak districts

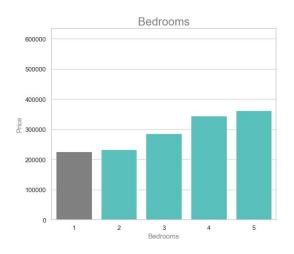




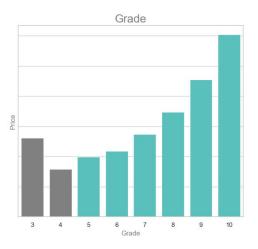


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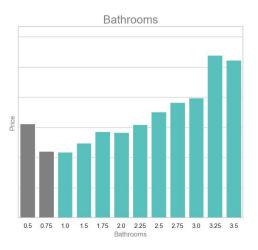
Correlation with price - economically weak districts



One bedroom more costs on average 48.612\$



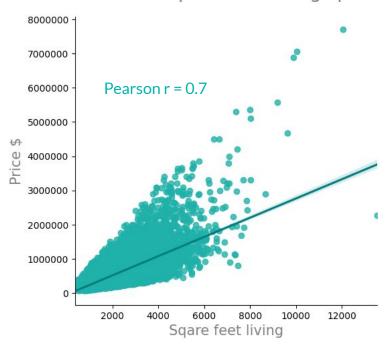
One grade more costs on average 84.269\$



0.25 bathrooms more costs on average 34.615\$ (1 -> 124.618\$)

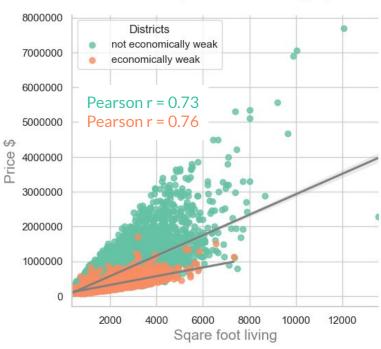
Correlation price and living space

There is the strongest positive correlation between price and living space in the present dataset.



Broken down into economically weak and non-economically weak districts, the correlation of price and living space is slightly stronger for economically weak districts.

Correlation price and living space



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Recommendations I

- Districts to buy and sell in:
 - 98002, 98003, 98022, 98023, 98030, 98031, 98032, 98038, 98042, 98055, 98058, 98092, 98148, 98168, 98178, 98188, 98198 are economically weak districts.
- The date is not relevant for the real estate transactions to be carried out. There has no special timing to be prioritised.

Recommendations II

 Square foot living, grade and the number of bathrooms correlate more strongly with price than the number of bedrooms. It is recommended to buy houses and renovate them.

Especially adding an additional bathroom to houses with just one bathroom is recommended, as it can affect the grade, too. In addition, social responsibility is supported, since a higher number of bathrooms also increases the suitability for families.

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Data

Data source: open data from King County government (https://data.kingcounty.gov)

Cleaning: overall good data quality

2 columns removed (waterfront, view)

one outlier removed

NaNs within square foot basement have been calculated

Features: price per Square foot, economically weak (bool)