



Cannabis Data Science #86

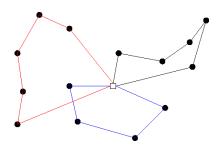
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# The Vehicle Routing Problem

### Variants of the problem:

- Pickup and delivery;
- Time windows;
- Carrying capacity;
- Multiple trips;
- No depot;
- Multiple depots;
- Inventory demand.



## Research Question

## Hypotheses

- Is there a relationship between a state permitting adult-use cannabis and its GDP?
- If a state permits adult-use, does the number of retailers per capita affect its GDP?



## Methodology

Assuming the following model,

$$\mathsf{GDP}_s = \beta_0 + \beta_1 D_s + \beta_2 X_s + \mu_s,$$

where

$$D_s = \begin{cases} 0 \text{ if adult-use is not permitted,} \\ 1 \text{ if adult-use is permitted,} \end{cases}$$

$$X_s \text{ is number of retailers per capita in state } s,$$

#### we can interpret:

- $\beta_1$  as the expected change in GDP from a state permitting adult-use cannabis,
- $\beta_2$  as the expected change in GDP from an increase in 1 retailer per capita (100,000 people).

#### Data

### States where adult-use is permitted:

- Alaska
- Arizona
- Colorado
- Connecticut
- Illinois
- Maine
- Massachusetts
- Michigan

- Montana
- New Mexico
- Nevada
- New Jersey
- Oregon
- Rhode Island
- Vermont
- Washington

States where adult-use will soon be permitted:

- New York
- Virginia
- D.C.?



## Insight of the Day

• A little planning goes a long way!

What is on your mind for next week?