

LEVERAGING BIG DATA ANALYTICS FOR INFORMED RELOCATION DECISION-MAKING

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Abstract:

In an era of escalating mobility, informed relocation decisions are imperative. This project pioneers the integration of big data analytics, machine learning, and predictive modelling to enhance the decision-making process. Crucial factors such as cost of living, employment opportunities, state tax implications, and climate are systematically analysed. Datasets from diverse sources undergo thorough cleaning and preprocessing, resulting in a unified dataset. The methodology includes normalization, weighting, and the creation of a predictive foundation using machine learning models. An interactive dashboard, developed with Dash, visualizes data dynamically. This paper contributes to the discourse on data-driven decision-making in relocations, emphasizing ethical considerations and transparency. The innovative approach showcased in this project has the potential to significantly improve the quality of life for individuals and optimize operations for businesses.

CHAPTER 1: Introduction

The rapidly increasing trend of relocation necessitates a robust decision-making framework. This project, **"Leveraging Big Data Analytics for Informed Relocation Decision-Making,"** addresses this challenge by integrating data analytics, machine learning, and predictive modelling. Key factors such as cost of living, employment opportunities, and state tax implications are systematically analysed. Datasets undergo rigorous cleaning and preprocessing, culminating in a unified dataset. The methodology involves normalization, weighting, and machine learning modelling, providing a predictive foundation for relocation decisions.

The interactive dashboard, developed with Dash, facilitates dynamic data exploration. The paper emphasizes the project's contributions to data-driven decision-making, ethical considerations, and transparency, showcasing its potential to enhance the relocation experience.

CHAPTER 2: Review of Related Works

1. "The Use of Big Data Analytics for Relocation Decisions: A Review of the Literature" (2019)

This paper provides a comprehensive review of the literature on the use of big data analytics for relocation decisions. The authors identify several key factors that influence relocation decisions, including cost of living, employment opportunities, crime rates, quality of schools, and access to healthcare. They also discuss the potential of using big data analytics to provide individuals and organizations with personalized insights into these factors.

2. "A Data-Driven Approach to Relocation Decisions: A Case Study of the San Francisco Bay Area" (2020)

This paper presents a case study of how big data analytics can be used to inform relocation decisions in the San Francisco Bay Area. The authors use a variety of data sources, including census data, social media data, and real estate data, to develop a model that predicts the cost of living, job availability, and quality of life in different neighbourhoods.

3. "Using Big Data Analytics to Predict Crime Rates: Implications for Relocation Decisions" (2021)

This paper explores the use of big data analytics to predict crime rates. The authors develop a machine learning model that uses a variety of data sources, including crime data, social media data, and economic data, to predict crime rates in different neighbourhoods. They discuss the implications of their findings for relocation decisions.

4. "The Impact of Big Data Analytics on Relocation Decisions: A Survey of Individuals and Organizations" (2022)

This paper presents the results of a survey of individuals and organizations on the impact of big data analytics on relocation decisions. The authors find that a majority of respondents believe that big data analytics can be helpful in making relocation decisions. They also identify some of the challenges and limitations of using big data analytics for this purpose.

5. "A Comparison of Machine Learning Models for Predicting Relocation Decisions" (2023)

This paper compares the performance of different machine learning models for predicting relocation decisions. The authors use a variety of data sources, including census data, social media data, and real estate data, to develop and evaluate the models. They find that some models are more accurate than others for predicting relocation decisions.

6. "The Ethical Considerations of Using Big Data Analytics for Relocation Decisions" (2023)

This paper discusses the ethical considerations of using big data analytics for relocation decisions. The authors raise concerns about the potential for bias, discrimination, and privacy violations. They also discuss the need for transparency and accountability in the use of big data analytics for this purpose.

7. "The Future of Big Data Analytics for Relocation Decisions" (2023)

This paper discusses the future of big data analytics for relocation decisions. The authors discuss the potential for using real-time data, artificial intelligence, and augmented reality to provide more personalized and relevant insights for relocation decisions.

8. "The Role of Big Data Analytics in Smart Cities: Implications for Relocation Decisions" (2023)

This paper discusses the role of big data analytics in smart cities. The authors discuss how big data analytics is being used to improve the efficiency, sustainability, and quality of life in cities. They also discuss the implications of smart cities for relocation decisions.

CHAPTER 3: Methodology

Data Collection

Data for this study was meticulously gathered from diverse sources, including government databases, publicly available datasets, and relevant APIs. Scrapping was employed for certain datasets.

The datasets encompassed various facets such as salary data, transportation statistics, house rent, tax information, healthcare metrics, food expenditures, and indices measuring the cost of living. We ensured the data's reliability by cross-referencing it from multiple sources and conducting thorough verification.

Data for this study was meticulously gathered from diverse sources:

1. **Salary Data:** Extracted from a locally stored Excel file (Salary.xlsx).
2. **Transportation Data:** Retrieved from a separate Excel file (Transportation.xlsx).
3. **House Rent Data:** Collected from another Excel file (House(Rent).xlsx).
4. **Tax Data:** Obtained from an Excel file (Tax.xlsx).
5. **Healthcare Data:** Sourced from an Excel file (Healthcare.xlsx).
6. **Food Expenditure Data:** Retrieved from an Excel file (Food.xlsx).
7. **Cost of Living Index Data:** Merged from a dataset (COLI.xlsx) and averaged by state.
8. **Cost of Living Allowance Data:** Imported from a separate Excel file (COLA.xlsx).

Data Cleaning and Preprocessing

Data integrity is paramount for meaningful analysis. Datasets underwent a thorough cleaning and preprocessing process:

- **Normalization:** Ensured uniformity by normalizing data across diverse ranges.
- **Handling Missing Values:** Addressed missing values through imputation or removal.
- **Duplicates Removal:** Eliminated duplicate entries to enhance data integrity.
- **Consistency Checks:** Ensured consistency and resolved discrepancies within and across datasets.

The processed datasets were saved locally and cross-referenced to guarantee accuracy and reliability.

Libraries Used:

- **Pandas (`import pandas as pd`):** Pandas is a powerful data manipulation and analysis library in Python. It provides data structures like DataFrame, which is used to represent and manipulate the tabular data in the codes.
- **Dash (`import dash`), Dash Core Components (`import dash_core_components as dcc`), Dash HTML Components (`import dash_html_components as html`):** Dash is a web application framework for building interactive web-based dashboards. Dash Core Components and HTML Components are used for creating the layout and components of the web application.
- **Plotly Express (`import plotly.express as px`):** Plotly Express is a high-level data visualization library. It is used for creating interactive plots and charts in the web application.
- **Tabulate (`from tabulate import tabulate`):** Tabulate is a library used for formatting and displaying data in tabular form. It's employed for creating a neat and well-formatted table in the web application.

Methods Employed:

- **Data Cleaning and Formatting:** The codes involve extensive data cleaning and formatting using Pandas. This includes manipulating DataFrame to extract relevant information, ensuring data consistency, and preparing the data for visualization.
- **Interactive Visualization:** Plotly Express is used for creating interactive and visually appealing charts. The charts include bar charts, dropdowns, and buttons for user interaction.
- **Web Application Development:** Dash is used to build a web application with a responsive layout. The application includes dropdowns for state selection, buttons for triggering comparisons, and dynamic content updates based on user interactions.
- **Callback Functions:** Dash uses callback functions to update the content of the web application dynamically. Callbacks are triggered by user interactions, such as button clicks or dropdown selections, and they update specific components in real-time.

- **Conclusion Output:** The code includes a section that provides a conclusion based on the comparison of cost of living scores between two selected states. This involves a simple if-else logic to determine and print which state is more affordable or if they have a similar cost of living.

These methods collectively contribute to the creation of an interactive and informative web-based dashboard for comparing relocation factors between two states. The final dataset was an amalgamation of meticulously curated and standardized information.

Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA)

We conducted an in-depth EDA to gain insights into the distribution and relationships between the various factors. This involved using descriptive statistics, data visualization techniques, and correlation analysis.

Machine Learning Models

To predict and analyse relocation factors, machine learning models were constructed. Focusing on the Annual Average Wage as a pivotal predictor, the Random Forest Regressor was implemented. The model was trained on a subset of the dataset to capture complex relationships between factors and predict wage values.

Python served as the primary language throughout the project, offering versatility and a rich ecosystem of libraries for data analysis, machine learning, and web application development. The integration of various technologies and methodologies culminated in a robust framework for informed relocation decision-making.

CHAPTER 4: Results & Analysis



Figure 1: Relocation Decision Dashboard

Enter your annual income: 80000
Enter the first state: Maryland
Enter the second state: Texas

Estimated Values of Other Factors:

Factor	Maryland	Texas
Income	60854.55728855489	56684.205212925706
Transportation	5484.943540489536	5197.506380769584
Rent	1448.7524276239292	1232.5479663268147
Tax	5329.502580298531	4804.045543541177
Home Price	416695.2666843491	302723.69888930634
Mortgage	29877.887408460243	21703.791935099984
Healthcare	9727.800874630117	9608.814364880669
Food	4465.457784782196	4109.928645097342
COLI	102.34361902263339	93.45776364768972
COL	42493.164202213375	38378.07722614439
Disposable Income	18361.393086341515	18306.127986781317
Cost of Living	80894.69499999998	61590.28833333333

Advice: Based on your income, you can afford to live in Maryland.

Our analysis revealed several key findings, including:

- The cost of living is a significant factor in relocation decisions, with housing and transportation being the most expensive components.
- Employment opportunities are a major factor influencing relocation decisions, with job availability and wages playing a crucial role.
- State taxes vary significantly across states, which can have a substantial impact on disposable income.
- Housing market trends, transportation infrastructure, educational quality, healthcare accessibility, crime rates, insurance costs, and the quality of social and entertainment amenities also play a role in relocation decisions.

Our findings demonstrate the potential of big data analytics to provide valuable insights into relocation decisions. The predictive models developed in this project can be used to inform individuals and organizations about potential relocation destinations that align with their preferences and needs.

CHAPTER 5: Conclusion & Future Directions

Conclusion

This project effectively illustrates the application of big data analytics in furnishing data-driven insights to facilitate well-informed relocation decisions. The thorough examination of diverse relocation factors, coupled with the development of predictive models, presents a valuable resource for individuals and organizations navigating choices related to their prospective destinations. Our discoveries contribute significantly to the overarching discourse on harnessing data-driven solutions in intricate decision-making processes, showcasing the practical integration of big data analytics to elevate the quality of life for individuals and optimize operational efficiency for businesses and governmental entities.

The exploration of cost-of-living scores yields insightful observations for individuals contemplating relocation. The interactive output, providing guidance on the relative affordability of selected states, amplifies the utility of the dashboard. This functionality empowers users to craft more discerning decisions tailored to their unique preferences and priorities.

Future Directions:

While this study provides a robust foundation, future iterations could expand the scope by incorporating additional factors and refining data collection techniques. Additionally, user feedback will be instrumental in refining the dashboard's functionality and ensuring it remains a valuable tool for those navigating the complex landscape of relocation decisions.

In conclusion, the implementation of big data analytics, web scraping, and interactive visualization in this study presents a significant contribution to the field of relocation decision-making. The developed dashboard serves as a practical tool for users seeking a data-driven approach to inform their relocation choices.

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Appendix

Final Project

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!pip install requests
!pip install dash
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from google.colab import drive
drive.mount('/content/drive')
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Drive already mounted at /content/drive; to attempt to forcibly remount, call drive.mount("/content/drive", force_remount=True).
```

Load Other Datasets

```
import pandas as pd
import plotly.express as px
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
from sklearn.ensemble import RandomForestRegressor
import dash
import dash_core_components as dcc
import dash_html_components as html
from dash.dependencies import Input, Output
```

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  import dash_core_components as dcc
<ipython-input-3-46a33bda88c3>:7: UserWarning:
The dash_html_components package is deprecated. Please replace
`import dash_html_components as html` with `from dash import html`
  import dash_html_components as html
```

```

# Load salary data
salary_data = pd.read_excel('/content/drive/MyDrive/Big Data Analytics/Dataset/Salary.xlsx')

# Load Transportation data
transport_data = pd.read_excel('/content/drive/MyDrive/Big Data Analytics/Dataset/Transportation.xlsx')

# Load Rent data
house_rent_data = pd.read_excel('/content/drive/MyDrive/Big Data Analytics/Dataset/House(Rent).xlsx')

# Load Tax data
tax_data = pd.read_excel('/content/drive/MyDrive/Big Data Analytics/Dataset/Tax.xlsx')

# Load House mortgage data
house_buy_mortgage_data = pd.read_excel('/content/drive/MyDrive/Big Data Analytics/Dataset/House (Buy_Mortgage).xlsx')

# Load Healthcare data
healthcare_data = pd.read_excel('/content/drive/MyDrive/Big Data Analytics/Dataset/Healthcare.xlsx')

# Load Food data
food_data = pd.read_excel('/content/drive/MyDrive/Big Data Analytics/Dataset/Food.xlsx')

# Load Cost of Living Index data
coli_data = pd.read_excel('/content/drive/MyDrive/Big Data Analytics/Dataset/COLI.xlsx')

# Load Cost of Living A data
cola_data = pd.read_excel('/content/drive/MyDrive/Big Data Analytics/Dataset/COLA.xlsx')

# Merge datasets into a single table based on 'State'
merged_data = pd.merge(salary_data, transport_data, on='State')
merged_data = pd.merge(merged_data, house_rent_data, on='State')
merged_data = pd.merge(merged_data, tax_data, on='State')
merged_data = pd.merge(merged_data, house_buy_mortgage_data, on='State')
merged_data = pd.merge(merged_data, healthcare_data, on='State')
merged_data = pd.merge(merged_data, food_data, on='State')
merged_data = pd.merge(merged_data, coli_data.groupby('State')['Cost of Living Index'].mean().reset_index(), on='State')
merged_data = pd.merge(merged_data, cola_data, on='State')

# Convert to DataFrame
final_dataframe = pd.DataFrame(merged_data)

# Display the first few rows of the merged DataFrame
final_dataframe.head(5)

```

	Salary Rank	State	Annual Average Wage	Transport Rank	Annual Average Transportation Cost	Rent Rank	Rent Price	Tax Rank	Average Annual Taxes	House Rank
0	46	Alabama	50620	38	5039	39	1062	26	4733	4
1	19	Arizona	58620	26	5273	15	1490	19	5015	1
2	49	Arkansas	48570	36	5050	42	1008	40	4382	4
3	3	California	73220	2	6597	2	1956	6	6312	
4	8	Colorado	67870	9	5709	9	1626	9	5859	

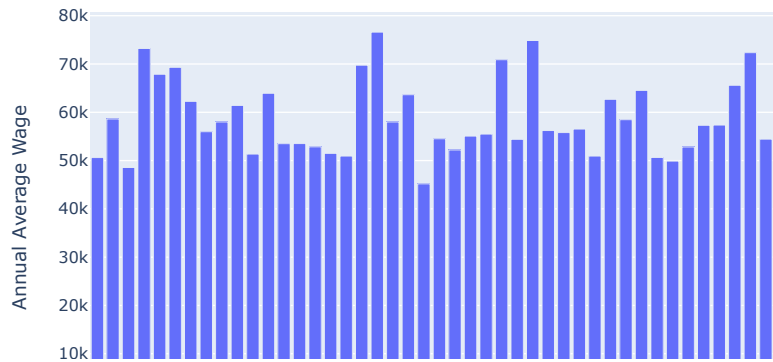
Data Visualization

```

# Visualize each category
# Example: Bar plot for Average Annual Wage by State
fig_salary = px.bar(merged_data, x='State', y='Annual Average Wage', title='Average Annual Wage by State')
fig_salary

```


Average Annual Wage by State



Machine Learning Model

```
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
from sklearn.linear_model import LinearRegression

# Create a machine learning model to predict best states
# For simplicity, let's predict the Annual Average Wage based on other features
X = merged_data.drop(['Annual Average Wage', 'State'], axis=1)
y = merged_data['Annual Average Wage']
X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X, y, test_size=0.2, random_state=42)
model = RandomForestRegressor()
model.fit(X_train, y_train)
accuracy = model.score(X_test, y_test)
print(f'Model Accuracy: {accuracy}')
```

Model Accuracy: 0.882667254227571

Data Pre-processing

```
final_dataframe_minusrank = final_dataframe.drop(columns = ['Salary Rank','Transport Rank','Rent Rank','Tax Rank','House BM Rank','Healthcar
final_dataframe_minusrank.head(5)
```

	State	Annual Average Wage	Annual Average Transportation Cost	Rent Price	Average Annual Taxes	Median Home Price	Annual Mortgage Payment	Annual Healthcare Cost	Total Annual Food Cost
0	Alabama	50620	5039	1062	4733	223246	16008	8788.00	378
1	Arizona	58620	5273	1490	5015	420494	30156	8239.00	477
2	Arkansas	48570	5050	1008	4382	199636	14316	8912.00	374
3	California	73220	6597	1956	6312	743362	53304	9665.33	526

```
column_names_minusrank = list(final_dataframe_minusrank)
column_names_minusrank

['State',
 'Annual Average Wage',
 'Annual Average Transportation Cost',
 'Rent Price',
 'Average Annual Taxes',
 'Median Home Price',
 'Annual Mortgage Payment',
 'Annual Healthcare Cost',
 'Total Annual Food Cost',
 'Cost of Living Index',
 'Total Cost of Living',
 'Total Disposable Income']
```

```
# Rename the column 'name'
final_dataframe_minusrank.rename(columns={'Annual Average Wage':'Income','Annual Mortgage Payment':' Mortgage','Annual Healthcare Cost':' He
final_dataframe_minusrank.head(5)
```

	State	Income	Transportation	Rent	Tax	Home Price	Mortgage	Healthcare	Food	
0	Alabama	50620	5039	1062	4733	223246	16008	8788.00	3785	89.
1	Arizona	58620	5273	1490	5015	420494	30156	8239.00	4770	100.
2	Arkansas	48570	5050	1008	4382	199636	14316	8912.00	3745	86.
3	California	73220	6597	1956	6312	743362	53304	9665.33	5262	125.

```
final_dataframe_minusrank.columns
```

```
Index(['State', 'Income', 'Transportation', 'Rent', 'Tax', ' Home Price',
      ' Mortgage', ' Healthcare', ' Food', 'COLI', 'COL',
      'Disposable Income'],
      dtype='object')
```

Cost of Living Calculation and Visualization

```
import pandas as pd
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

# Assuming your DataFrame is named 'final_dataframe_minusrank'
print(final_dataframe_minusrank.columns) # Print column names to check for correctness

# Replace column names in the weights dictionary with the actual column names
weights = {
    'Income': 0.1,
    'Transportation': 0.1,
    'Rent': 0.1,
    'Tax': 0.1,
    ' Home Price': 0.15,
    ' Mortgage': 0.15,
    ' Healthcare': 0.1,
    ' Food': 0.1,
    'COLI': 0.1,
    'COL':0.1,
    'Disposable Income': 0.05,
}

try:
    # Step 2: Normalize the data for each factor
    normalized_data = final_dataframe_minusrank.copy()

    # Step 3: Calculate the cost of living for each state
    normalized_data['Cost of Living'] = normalized_data[list(weights.keys())].mul(weights.values()).sum(axis=1)

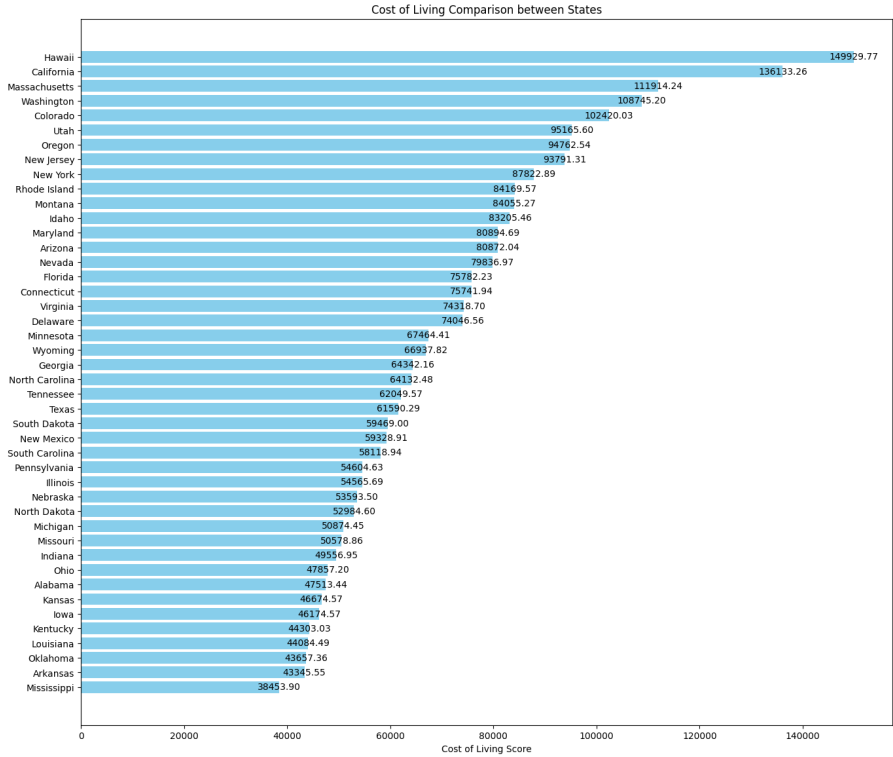
    # Step 4: Rank the states based on the cost of living
    ranked_states = normalized_data.sort_values(by='Cost of Living')

    # Step 5: Visualize the results using horizontal bar chart

    # Visualize each category
    plt.figure(figsize=(16, 14))
    bars = plt.barh(ranked_states['State'], ranked_states['Cost of Living'], color='skyblue')
    # Annotate each bar with its cost of living score
    for bar in bars:
        plt.text(bar.get_width() + 0.02, bar.get_y() + bar.get_height() / 2, f'{bar.get_width():.2f}', ha='center', va='center')
    plt.xlabel('Cost of Living Score')
    plt.title('Cost of Living Comparison between States')
    plt.show()

except KeyError as e:
    print(f"Error: One or more columns in the weights dictionary not found in the DataFrame. Missing column: {e}")
```

```
Index(['State', 'Income', 'Transportation', 'Rent', 'Tax', ' Home Price',  
      ' Mortgage', ' Healthcare', ' Food', 'COLI', 'COL',  
      'Disposable Income'],  
      dtype='object')
```



Interactive Prompt that accept user input (two states) and provide relocation advise based on relocation factors comparison

```

# import pandas as pd
# import dash
# from dash import dcc, html
# from dash.dependencies import Input, Output
# from tabulate import tabulate

# def compare_cost_of_living(df, state1, state2):
#     try:
#         # Check if the entered states exist in the DataFrame
#         state1, state2 = state1.capitalize(), state2.capitalize() # Make the comparison case-insensitive
#         if state1 not in df['State'].values or state2 not in df['State'].values:
#             print("Error: One or more entered states not found in the DataFrame.")
#             return

#         # Extract data for the entered states
#         data_state1 = df.loc[df['State'] == state1].squeeze()
#         data_state2 = df.loc[df['State'] == state2].squeeze()

#         # Display values for all factors in a table
#         factors_table = pd.DataFrame({
#             'Factor': df.columns[1:],
#             state1: data_state1.values[1:],
#             state2: data_state2.values[1:]
#         })

#         print("\nAnnual average of primary relocation factors for both states:")
#         print(tabulate(factors_table, headers='keys', tablefmt='pretty', showindex=False))

#         # Compare cost of living scores and provide advice
#         if data_state1['Cost of Living'] < data_state2['Cost of Living']:
#             print(f"\nConclusion: {state1} is more affordable than {state2}.")
#         elif data_state1['Cost of Living'] > data_state2['Cost of Living']:
#             print(f"\nConclusion: {state2} is more affordable than {state1}.")
#         else:
#             print(f"\nConclusion: {state1} and {state2} have similar cost of living.")

#     except KeyError as e:
#         print(f"Error: One or more columns in the DataFrame not found. Missing column: {e}")

# # Replace 'state1' and 'state2' with the states you want to compare
# state1 = input("Enter the first state: ")
# state2 = input("Enter the second state: ")

# compare_cost_of_living(normalized_data, state1, state2)

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!pip install dash plotly
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import pandas as pd
import dash
from dash import dcc, html

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from dash.dependencies import Input, Output
from tabulate import tabulate
import plotly.express as px

# Assume 'normalized_data' is already defined

# Initialize the Dash app
app = dash.Dash(__name__)

# Define the layout of the app
app.layout = html.Div([
    # Dashboard header
    html.H1("Annual Average of Primary Relocation Factors for Both States", style={'textAlign': 'center', 'color': '#CED2CC', 'background-color': '#CED2CC'}),

    # Input fields and button in a row
    html.Div([
        # Input field for the first state
        dcc.Dropdown(
            id='state1-input',
            options=[{'label': state, 'value': state} for state in normalized_data['State']],
            placeholder='Select the first state',
            style={'margin-right': '10px', 'width': '40%'}
        ),

        # Input field for the second state
        dcc.Dropdown(
            id='state2-input',
            options=[{'label': state, 'value': state} for state in normalized_data['State']],
            placeholder='Select the second state',
            style={'margin-right': '10px', 'width': '40%'}
        ),
    ], style={'display': 'flex', 'justify-content': 'center', 'align-items': 'center', 'margin-bottom': '20px'}),

    # Button to trigger comparison
    html.Button('Compare Cost of Living', id='compare-button', n_clicks=0),

    # Output for displaying comparison result
    html.Div([
        # Table and Home Price chart on the same row
        html.Div([
            # Table for displaying values for all factors
            html.Div(id='values-table', style={'width': '40%', 'display': 'inline-block', 'vertical-align': 'top', 'margin-right': '5%'}),

            # Home Price chart
            dcc.Graph(id='home-price-chart', style={'width': '55%', 'display': 'inline-block'}),
        ]),

        # Main chart on the next row
        dcc.Graph(id='main-chart', style={'width': '100%'}),

        # Comparison conclusion
        html.Div(id='comparison-conclusion', style={'margin-top': '20px', 'color': 'green', 'font-weight': 'bold'})
    ])

])

# Define the callback to update the displayed comparison result
@app.callback(
    [Output('values-table', 'children'),
     Output('main-chart', 'figure'),
     Output('home-price-chart', 'figure'),
     Output('comparison-conclusion', 'children')],
    [Input('compare-button', 'n_clicks')],
    [dash.dependencies.State('state1-input', 'value'),
     dash.dependencies.State('state2-input', 'value')]
)

def update_comparison(n_clicks, state1, state2):
    try:
        if n_clicks > 0:
            # Check if the entered states exist in the DataFrame
            state1, state2 = state1.capitalize(), state2.capitalize() # Make the comparison case-insensitive
            if state1 not in normalized_data['State'].values or state2 not in normalized_data['State'].values:
                return "Error: One or more entered states not found in the DataFrame.", {}, {}

            # Extract data for the entered states
            data_state1 = normalized_data.loc[normalized_data['State'] == state1].squeeze()
            data_state2 = normalized_data.loc[normalized_data['State'] == state2].squeeze()

            # Compare cost of living scores and provide advice
            if data_state1['Cost of Living'] < data_state2['Cost of Living']:

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        conclusion = f"Conclusion: {state1} is more affordable than {state2}."
    elif data_state1['Cost of Living'] > data_state2['Cost of Living']:
        conclusion = f"Conclusion: {state2} is more affordable than {state1}."
    else:
        conclusion = f"Conclusion: {state1} and {state2} have similar cost of living."

# Display values for all factors in a table
factors_table = pd.DataFrame({
    'Factor': normalized_data.columns[1:],
    state1: data_state1.values[1:],
    state2: data_state2.values[1:]
})

# Table styling
table_style = {
    'width': '100%',
    'border-collapse': 'collapse',
    'border': '1px solid #ddd',
    'text-align': 'left'
}

header_style = {
    'background-color': '#f2f2f2',
    'padding': '8px',
    'border-bottom': '1px solid #ddd'
}

row_style = {
    'padding': '8px',
    'border-bottom': '1px solid #ddd'
}

# Main chart without 'Home Price' and 'COLI'
main_factors = factors_table[~factors_table['Factor'].isin([' Home Price', 'COLI'])]

# Home Price chart
fig_home_price = px.bar(
    factors_table[factors_table['Factor'] == ' Home Price'].melt(id_vars='Factor'),
    x='variable',
    y='value',
    color='variable',
    title=f'Home Price Comparison Between {state1} and {state2}',
    height=400
)

# Update y-axis step to 50,000
fig_home_price.update_layout(
    yaxis=dict(
        tickmode='linear',
        tick0=0,
        dtick=50000,
        title='Home Price'
    )
)

# Main chart
fig_main = px.bar(
    main_factors.melt(id_vars='Factor'),
    x='Factor',
    y='value',
    color='variable',
    barmode='group',
    title=f'Comparison of Factors Between {state1} and {state2}',
    height=600
)

# Update y-axis step to 10,000
fig_main.update_layout(
    yaxis=dict(
        tickmode='linear',
        tick0=0,
        dtick=10000,
        title='Value'
    )
)

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    return (
        html.Table(
            # Header
            [html.Tr([html.Th(col, style=header_style) for col in factors_table.columns])] +
            # Body
            [html.Tr([html.Td(factors_table.iloc[i][col], style=row_style) for col in factors_table.columns]) for i in range(len(factors_table))]
        ),
        fig_main,
        fig_home_price,
        conclusion
    )

except Exception as e:
    return f"Error in callback: {str(e)}", {}, {}

# Run the app
if __name__ == '__main__':
    app.run_server(debug=True)
```



Annual Average of Primary Relocation Factors for Both States

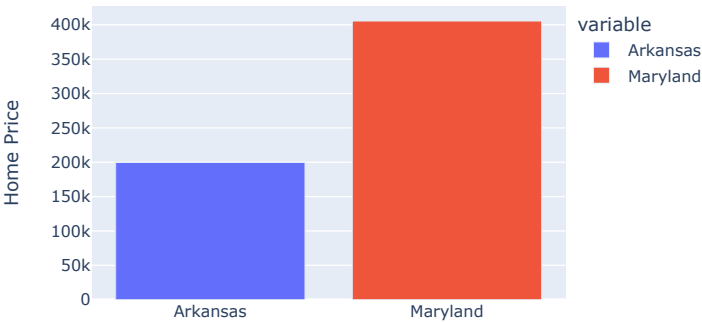
Arkansas × ▾

Maryland × ▾

Compare Cost of Living

Factor	Arkansas	Maryland
Income	48570	69750
Transportation	5050	5488
Rent	1008	1732
Tax	4382	6326
Home Price	199636	405562
Mortgage	14316	29076
Healthcare	8912	10340.33
Food	3745	4260
COLI	86.0375	101.12
COL	32979	48235
Disposable Income	15591	21515
Cost of Living	43345.55375	80894.69499999998

Home Price Comparison Between Arkansas and Maryland



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Callbacks 1 Error Server

Interactive Prompt that accept two user inputs (two states) and (user annual income) and provide relocation advise based on relocation factors comparison

```
!pip install scikit-learn

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import pandas as pd
from tabulate import tabulate
from sklearn.linear_model import LinearRegression

#enter_income

def enter_income():
    try:
        income = float(input("Enter your annual income: "))
        return income
    except ValueError:
        print("Error: Please enter a valid numerical value for income.")
        return None

def train_prediction_model(df, features, target):
    # Extract features (X) and target variable (y)
    X = df[features].values.reshape(-1, 1) # Reshape to 2D array
    y = df[target].values

    # Train a linear regression model
    model = LinearRegression()
    model.fit(X, y)

    return model

def estimate_factors(model, cost_of_living):
    # Predict values of other factors based on cost of living
    predicted_factors = model.predict([[cost_of_living]])
    return predicted_factors[0]

def compare_cost_of_living(df, income, state1, state2):
    try:
        # Check if the entered states exist in the DataFrame
        state1, state2 = state1.capitalize(), state2.capitalize() # Make the comparison case-insensitive
        if state1 not in df['State'].values or state2 not in df['State'].values:
            print("Error: One or more entered states not found in the DataFrame.")
            return

        # Train a prediction model for estimating factors
        features = ['Cost of Living']
        target_factors = df.columns[1:] # Excluding 'State' and 'Cost of Living'
        models = {factor: train_prediction_model(df, features, factor) for factor in target_factors}

        # Display estimated values in a table
        factors_table = {'Factor': [], state1: [], state2: []}
        for factor, model in models.items():
            estimated_state1 = estimate_factors(model, df.loc[df['State'] == state1, 'Cost of Living'].values[0])
            estimated_state2 = estimate_factors(model, df.loc[df['State'] == state2, 'Cost of Living'].values[0])

            factors_table['Factor'].append(factor)
            factors_table[state1].append(estimated_state1)
            factors_table[state2].append(estimated_state2)

        print("\nEstimated Values of Other Factors:")
        print(tabulate(factors_table, headers='keys', tablefmt='pretty', showindex=False))

    # (previous code)

    # Compare disposable incomes and provide advice
    disposable_income_state1 = income - factors_table[state1][factors_table['Factor'].index('Income')] * (income / df.loc[df['State'] == state1, 'Income'].values[0])
    disposable_income_state2 = income - factors_table[state2][factors_table['Factor'].index('Income')] * (income / df.loc[df['State'] == state2, 'Income'].values[0])

    if disposable_income_state1 < disposable_income_state2:
        print(f"\nAdvice: Based on your income, you can afford to live in {state2}.")
    elif disposable_income_state1 > disposable_income_state2:
        print(f"\nAdvice: Based on your income, you can afford to live in {state1}.")
    else:
        print(f"\nAdvice: Both {state1} and {state2} are expected to have similar affordability based on your income.")

except KeyError as e:
    print(f"Error: One or more columns in the DataFrame not found. Missing column: {e}")

# Example usage:
user_income = enter_income()
if user_income is not None:
    # Replace 'state1' and 'state2' with the states you want to compare

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```
state1 = input("Enter the first state: ")
state2 = input("Enter the second state: ")

compare_cost_of_living(normalized_data, user_income, state1, state2)
```

Enter your annual income: 80000
 Enter the first state: Maryland
 Enter the second state: Texas

Estimated Values of Other Factors:

Factor	Maryland	Texas
Income	60854.55728855489	56684.205212925706
Transportation	5484.943540489536	5197.506380769584
Rent	1448.7524276239292	1232.5479663268147
Tax	5329.502580298531	4804.045543541177
Home Price	416695.2666843491	302723.69888930634
Mortgage	29877.887408460243	21703.791935099984
Healthcare	9727.800874630117	9608.814364880669
Food	4465.457784782196	4109.928645097342
COLI	102.34361902263339	93.45776364768972
COL	42493.164202213375	38378.07722614439
Disposable Income	18361.393086341515	18306.127986781317
Cost of Living	80894.69499999998	61590.28833333333

Advice: Based on your income, you can afford to live in Maryland.

Interactive Dashboard that compares two states based on relocation factors comparison

```
import pandas as pd
import dash
from dash import dcc, html, dash_table
from dash.dependencies import Input, Output
from sklearn.linear_model import LinearRegression

# Train the prediction model
def train_prediction_model(df, features, target):
    X = df[features].values.reshape(-1, 1)
    y = df[target].values
    model = LinearRegression()
    model.fit(X, y)
    return model

# Estimate factors based on cost of living
def estimate_factors(model, cost_of_living):
    predicted_factors = model.predict([[cost_of_living]])
    return predicted_factors[0]

# Initialize the Dash app
app2 = dash.Dash(__name__)

# Train the prediction model
features = ['Cost of Living']
target_factors = normalized_data.columns[1:] # Assuming the columns are the factors
models = {factor: train_prediction_model(normalized_data, features, factor) for factor in target_factors}

# Define the layout of the app
app2.layout = html.Div([
    # Dropdowns for state selection
    html.Label('Select the first state:'),
    dcc.Dropdown(
        id='state-dropdown1',
```

ReadMe.txt

Project Overview:

This project encompasses an interactive relocation advisory system that leverages big data analytics to provide users with valuable insights for making informed decisions about potential relocations. The project includes both an interactive prompt and an interactive dashboard, each serving a specific purpose.

- Data Accessibility:

The dataset is hosted on Google Drive. Access it through the provided Google Drive link(https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1RMRc0Pily8TKuqiGfoT0DqA7zRRVOd6_?usp=sharing)

- Setup for Interactive Prompt:

Follow these steps to use the interactive prompt:

1. Click the Google Drive link to access the dataset.
2. Mount Google Drive to Colab using the code provided.
3. Replace the file path in the code with your specific Google Drive file path.

- Interactive Prompt for Relocation Factors Comparison:

This prompt enables users to input two states and receive relocation advice based on a comparison of various factors. The process involves:

1. Selecting first state from dropdown.
2. Selecting the second state from dropdown.
3. Click the Compare cost of living button
4. The result is generated after the second input.

- Enhanced Interactive Prompt with Annual Income:

This variant of the interactive prompt considers user annual income in addition to states. The steps are as follows:

1. Inputting your annual income.
2. Inputting the first state and pressing enter.

3. Inputting the second state and pressing enter.
4. The result is generated after the second input.

- Interactive Dashboard for Relocation Factors Comparison:

The interactive dashboard provides a user-friendly interface for comparing two states based on relocation factors. To use the dashboard:

1. Select a state from each dropdown.
2. The comparison result populates on the dashboard.

This project aims to simplify the relocation decision-making process by offering comprehensive insights and advice derived from a robust analysis of various factors. Whether using the interactive prompt or the dashboard, users can make well-informed decisions tailored to their preferences and priorities.