

ZILLOW TIME SERIES ANALYSIS

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Overview



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BUSINESS UNDERSTANDING

Problem statement

- Real estate involves land and buildings. Real estate investment is about strategically investing capital to generate income or increase value.
- Using data from Zillow Research, we're forecasting future property prices to assist Grand Will Realty Solutions in identifying lucrative zip codes for investment.
- As consultants, our goal is to provide valuable insights on real estate opportunities and market dynamics, empowering stakeholders to make informed decisions.

Objectives

Main Objective

To develop a time series model predicting the top five zip codes for real estate investment.

To evaluate which county exhibits the most promising real estate investment opportunities.

To understand the trend for the 5 best Zip codes to invest in based on Return On Investment(ROI)

To forecast property values over the short and long term

Metrics of Success

- Return On Investment (ROI)
- Root Mean Squared Error (RMSE)





DATA PREPROCESSING

Data understanding

This data records monthly housing sales prices for zip codes from April 1996 to April 2018, sourced from Zillow.



description

-RegionID: Unique index

-RegionName: Unique Zip Code

-City: Zip code's city

-State: Zip code's state

-Metro: Metropolitan Area

-CountyName: Zip code's county

-SizeRank: Rank of zip code's size

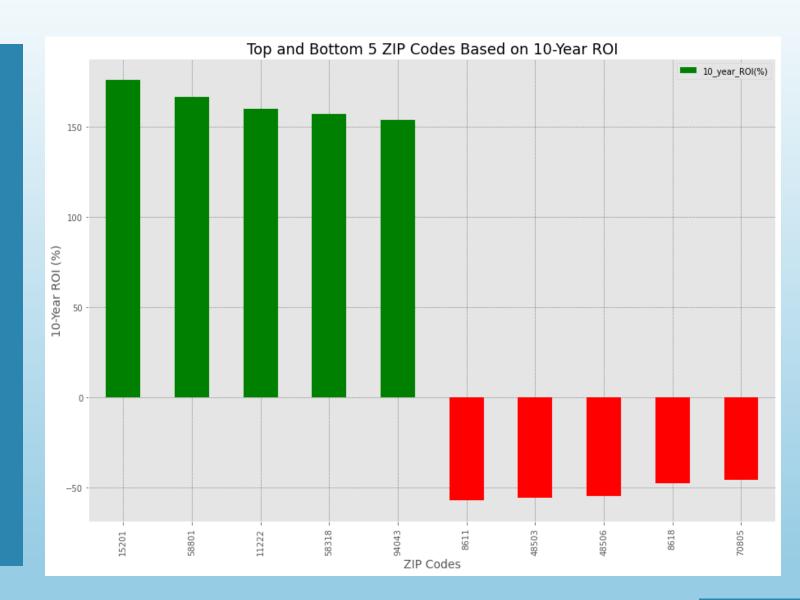
-1996-04 to 2018-04: Median housing sales values from April 1996 to April 2018, 265 monthly data points.

-Value: Median housing price.

EXPLORATORY DATA ANALYSIS

CALCULATING THE RETURN OF INVESTMENT

Plotting the top 5 and bottom 5 zip codes for the last 10 years

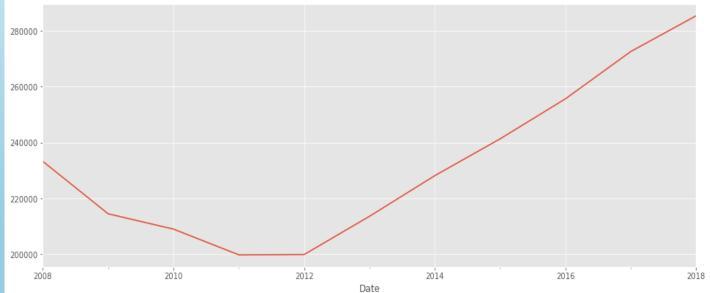


Plotting the top 5 and bottom 5 zip codes for the last 5 years

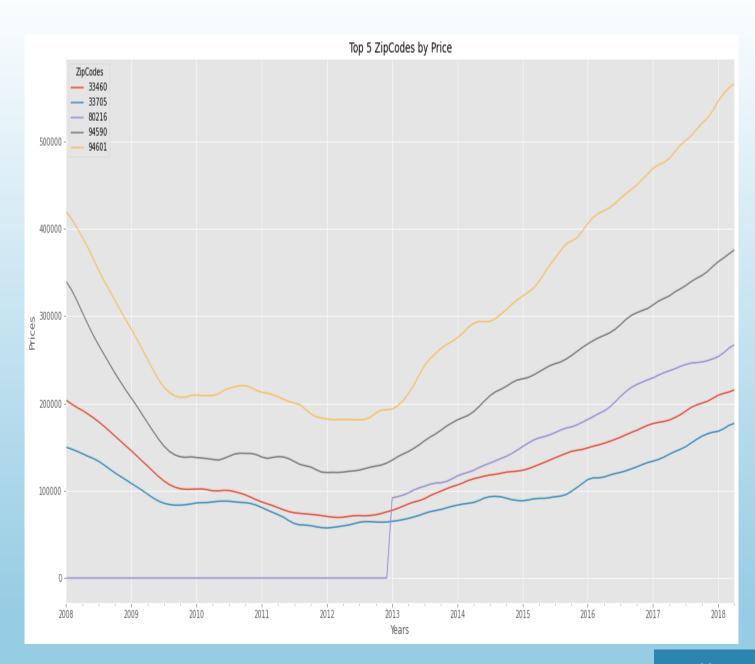


Plotting a visual to display the mean price over time

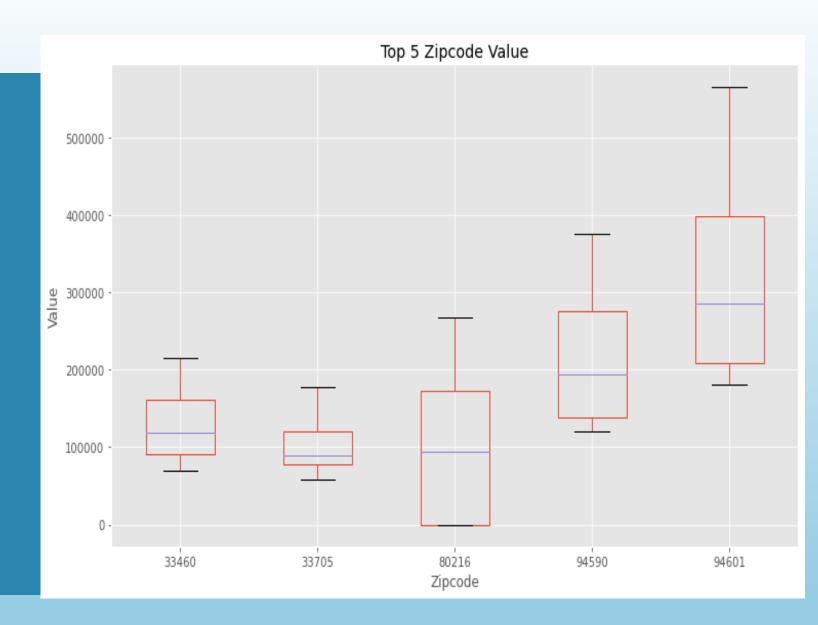




Plotting Top 5 Zip Codes by Price

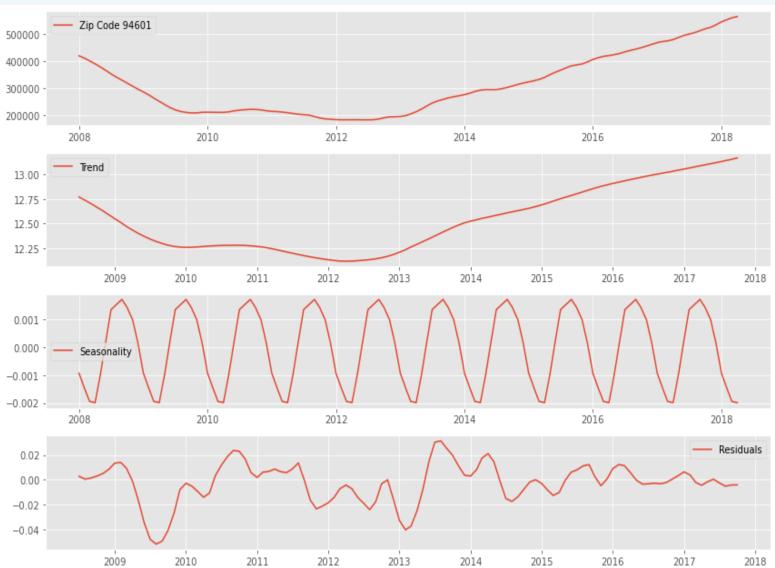


Generating a Box Plot for top 5 zip codes

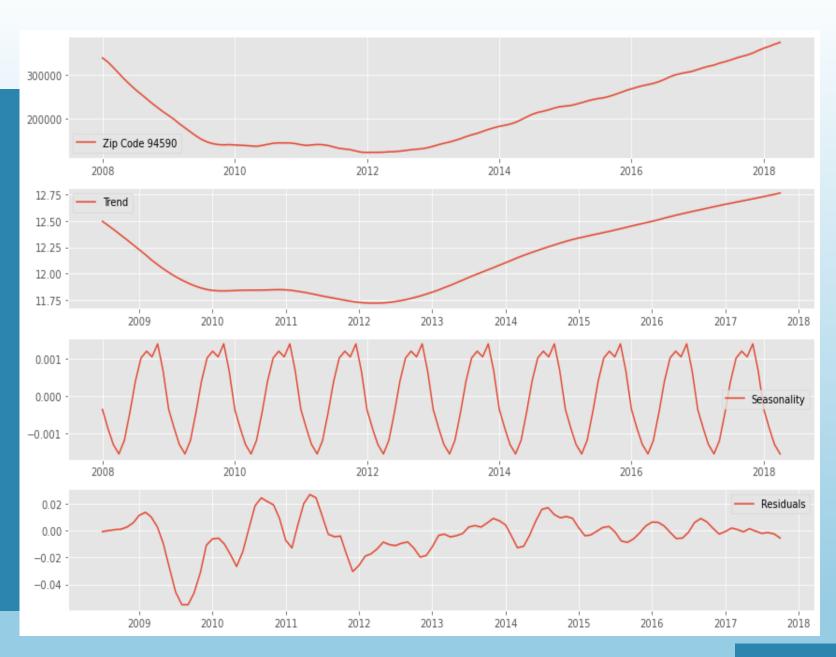


Checking for trends, seasonality and residuals using seasonal decompose

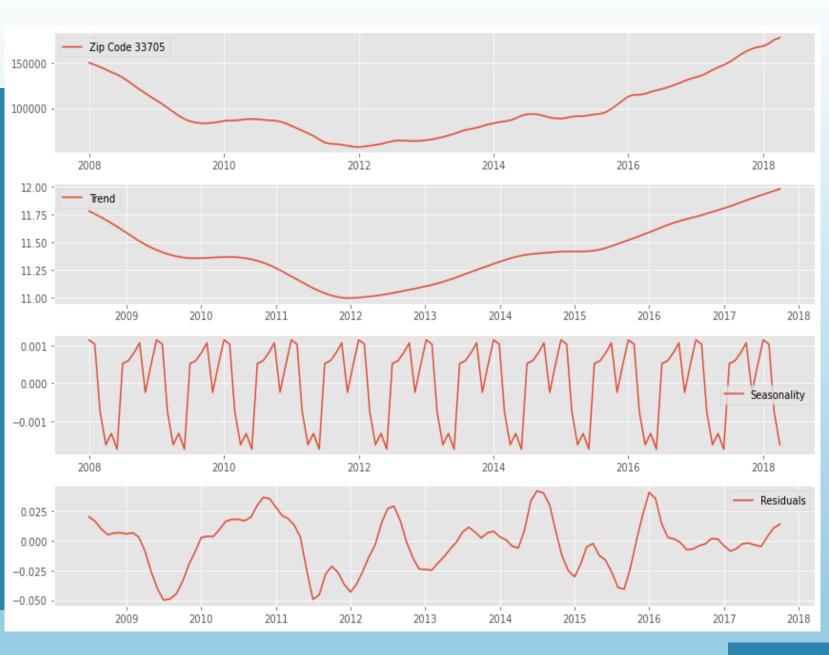




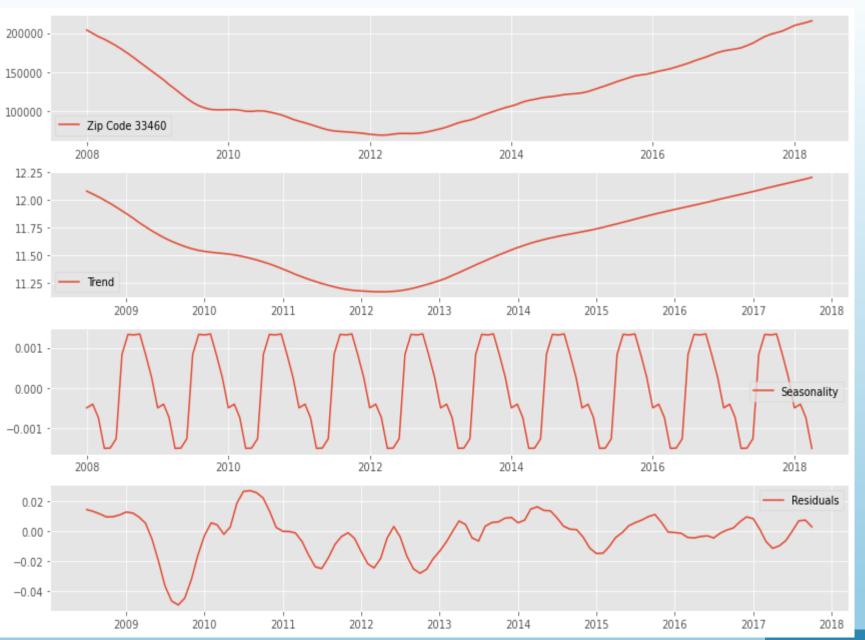
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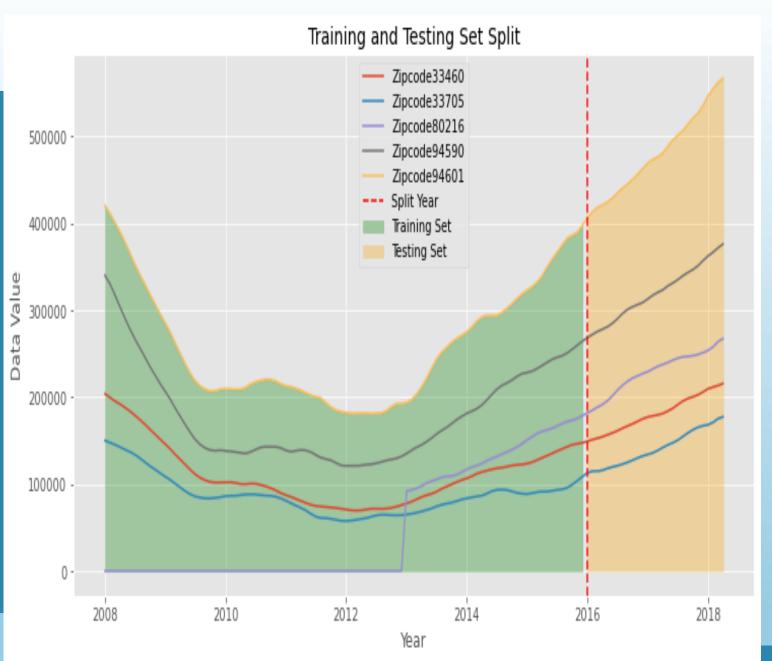
Zipcode = **33705**



Zipcode = **33460**



Plot of the train-test set split



MODELLING

ARIMA
(AUTOREGRESSIVE
INTERGRATED
MOVING AVERAGE)

RMSE: 6198

FACEBOOK PROPHET

RMSE: 4545

SARIMAX (SEASONAL AUTOREGRESSIVE INTERGRATED MOVING AVERAGE)

RMSE: 1729



CONCLUSION

-The study pinpointed the top 5 Zip Codes with the best Return on Investment (ROI) in real estate over 5 years. The real estate market trended positively, without any noticeable seasonal patterns.

The chosen top 5 Zip Codes for investment are:

- **•94590**
- •94601
- **•33705**
- **•**33460
- -Of these, 94601 exhibits steady growth, while 33705 promises the highest predicted ROI.

Best Zip Codes with their Counties:

- •94601 (Solano County, CA)
- •94590 (Alameda County, CA)
- •80216 (Denver County, CO)
- •33705 (Pinellas County, FL)
- •33460 (Palm Beach County, FL)

Next steps:

-Implementation of Predictive Model

-Detailed Due Diligence



-Diversification Strategies

-Continuous Monitoring

