



Featured Prediction Competition

# Zillow Prize: Zillow's Home Value Prediction (Zestimate)

**\$1,200,000**

Prize Money

Can you improve the algorithm that changed the world of real estate?



Zillow · 809 teams · 7 months to go (4 months to go until merger deadline)

[Overview](#)[Data](#)[Kernels](#)[Discussion](#)[Leaderboard](#)[More](#)[My Submissions](#)[Submit Predictions](#)

## Overview

### Description

### Evaluation

### Prizes

### Competition Overview

### Timeline

Zillow's Zestimate home valuation has shaken up the U.S. real estate industry since first released 11 years ago.

A home is often the largest and most expensive purchase a person makes in his or her lifetime. Ensuring homeowners have a trusted way to monitor this asset is incredibly important. The Zestimate was created to give consumers as much information as possible about homes and the housing market, marking the first time consumers had access to this type of home value information at no cost.

"Zestimates" are estimated home values based on 7.5 million statistical and machine learning models that analyze hundreds of data points on each property. And, by continually improving the median margin of error (from 14% at the onset to 5% today), Zillow has since become established as one of the largest, most trusted marketplaces for real estate information in the U.S. and a leading example of impactful machine learning.

Zillow Prize, a competition with a one million dollar grand prize, is challenging the data science community to help push the accuracy of the Zestimate even further. Winning algorithms stand to impact the home values of 110M homes across the U.S.

In this million-dollar competition, participants will develop an algorithm that makes predictions about the future sale prices of homes. The contest is structured into two rounds, the qualifying round which opens May 24, 2017 and the private round for the 100 top qualifying teams that opens on Feb 1st, 2018. In the qualifying round, you'll be building a model to improve the Zestimate residual error. In the final round, you'll build a home valuation algorithm from the ground up, using external data sources to help engineer new features that give your model an edge over the competition.

Because real estate transaction data is public information, there will be a three-month sales tracking period after each competition round closes where your predictions will be evaluated against the

**111 Archer Ave,**  
**New York, NY 10031**  
4 beds • 3 baths • 3,410 sqft

FOR SALE  
**\$1,175,000**  
Zestimate®: \$1,275,448

EST. MORTGAGE  
**\$4,461/mo**  
[Get pre-qualified](#)

Built in 2009, perfectly blending elegance with functional living space. Excellent floor plan with 3 beds up and 1 on main. Open living, kitchen & dining w/ huge fireplace & Sound views. Spacious kitchen w/ slab granite surfaces & center island. Huge master suite with Jacuzzi tub & separate shower. Features: hwd floors, all

CONTACT  
Your name  
Phone  
Email  
I am interested in NY 10031  
☐ I want to

actual sale prices of the homes. The final leaderboard won't be revealed until the close of the sales tracking period.

### Leaderboard >

- 1 Kjetil Åmdal-Sævik
- 2 老火炖西汤
- 3 Silogram
- 4 Michael Jahrer
- 5 hoi
- 6 MikeChowla
- 7 T768767
- 8 BinwaH

### Kernels >

#### Zillow Price Starter

2 votes · 3 hours ago

#### Statistics homework (Editing)

0 votes · 2 hours ago

#### Exploratory analysis amd xgboost

6 votes · 7 hours ago

#### myfirst

0 votes · 5 hours ago

#### Exploratory Analysis - Zillow

390 votes · 13 days ago

### 80 discussion topics >

#### Where is the public city/county as...

1 reply · 2 hours ago

#### Forming a team: Open Call

2 replies · 3 hours ago

#### Question for Zillow: Should prope...

6 replies · 7 hours ago

#### Small rescore

0 replies · 7 hours ago

#### Welcome!

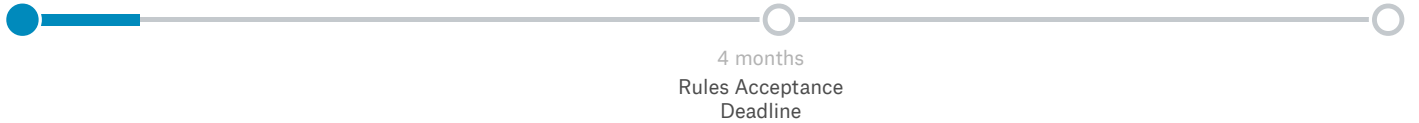
60 replies · 14 hours ago

#### Launch

21 days ago

#### Close

7 months



809

Teams

841

Competitors

Points This competition awards standard **ranking points**

Tiers This competition counts towards **tiers**