

Data source: https://www.kaggle.com/unsdsn/world-happiness

Motivation:

Happiness / Peace is the most fundamental aspect of our life ,and thereby liberates us to live a full fledged life. It intrigues me to know why, where and whether people are happy or not , and what factors contribute to happiness ,hence I chose this dataset.

I chose the following graphs to get a good understanding of the whole data and things that I want to know and bring out some insights.

Graph 1: Where are the Happiest Countries in the World?

- With the world map coupled with heat map, we could get a general understanding and an over view of which countries are happy across the world. This graph is plotted based on Happiness score
- The color of the scale ranges from dark red to dark green, as conventionally, red represents sad, while green represents happiness.
- I highlighted top and bottom ranked countries as we are curious to see which is the best and worst
- Insights: Most of the African Countries and Southern Asia countries seem to be not happy, while While Australia/New Zealand, North America, and Europe seem to be very happy

Graph 2: Box plot

- Statistically, I wanted to see, to what extent each region is happy relative to other regions.
- Since Boxplot covers so many statistics just in one plot, I used this to plot for each region. This graph helps to compact what the previous visualization demonstrates.
- I used World's average happiness score as a reference line as well to see how each region fares with respect to average.
- I used green colour in boxplots to maintain consistency and to emphasize "happiness"
- Insights:
- a) Countries with the highest happiness ratings are chiefly grouped around Northern Europe, North and South America
- b) Countries with lower happiness ratings are concentrated in Africa and the Middle East

Graph 3: Identify Top 10 countries and see the factors that are contributing

- I am curious as to see what is the contribution of each factor to overall happiness
- I filtered Top 10 countries, and used simple barplots to see proportions of each factor's contribution
- I colored each factor to distinguish the factor's contribution, and also labelled the contribution

Insights:

c)Health

 Top 3 factors that are contributing to Happiness are a)Economy
b)Family

Graph 4: What Impacts people's happiness

- We figured the contribution level of each factor for top 10 countries. But that wasn't enough to come to a strong conclusion that these are the factors that really matters to be happy. So I wanted to see how much each factor correlates with happiness score for all countries and come to a strong conclusion.
- I used correlation matrix for this and colored accordingly to maintain consistency and carry forward the intuition that green represents happiness while red represents sadness.
- I used scatterplots in tooltips to see correlation more clear. We could see this if we hover over each correlation value.
- I filtered diagonal and right side of the diagonal correlation values to avoid repeated information, and hence chart junk.

Insights:

- The top 3 factors which contribute to happiness score strongly correlates to happiness score as well. If a small increment in each of these top 3 factors increases, happiness would also increase.
- More deeply, Here we can see how influential the economy is on happiness. We can infer that a better economy reduces the worry about paying for necessities and allows people to enjoy life, similarly we can infer the importance on family, and health on happiness.
- While, Generosity, and trust on the government are leastly correlated to happiness.

"If you have a good salary, family, and health, you are atleast happy"