

How hazardous are college students' food preferences to their well being?

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For my project, I will be using two data sets I found on Kaggle, in order to see if the food preferences and eating habits of college students put them at a greater risk of certain adverse food events than the average American. The two datasets are: Adverse Food Events (<https://www.kaggle.com/fda/adverse-food-events>) and Food Choices of College Students (<https://www.kaggle.com/borapajo/food-choices>).

Access: All of the data I will use can be downloaded off the website as a zip file. For the food choices file, the zip file contains an Excel sheet with all the data, as well as a Word document that gives some supplementary information about notations. For example, survey participants put a "1" in the Gender column if they were female, and a "2" if they were male. For those columns, I will eventually convert the numbers to data that is easily understandable without an extra document.

The adverse food events file contains an Excel file with the data and a PDF with explanations of the data.

All the data will be accessed through the `read_csv()` function. For simplicity, I placed both Excel documents into my current folder before starting.

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In [21]: #below are the required packages
import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
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In [22]: adverse = pd.read_csv("CAERS_ASCII_2004_2017Q2.csv") #this is the name of the adverse
adverse.head(5)
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Out[22]:
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	RA_Report #	RA_CAERS Created Date	AEC_Event Start Date	PRI_Product Role	PRI_Reported Brand/Product Name	PRI_FDA Industry Code	PRI_FDA Industry Name
0	65325	1/1/2004	8/4/2003	Suspect	MIDWEST COUNTRY FAIR CHOCOLATE FLAVORED CHIPS	3	Bake Prod/Dough/Mix/Icir
1	65325	1/1/2004	8/4/2003	Suspect	MIDWEST COUNTRY FAIR CHOCOLATE FLAVORED CHIPS	3	Bake Prod/Dough/Mix/Icir
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It looks like most or all of those categories are useful, so I will leave all the columns in but rename them.

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In [25]: adverse.columns = ["Report ID", "Event Entered", "Event Start Date", "Suspect or",
                             "Industry Name", "Consumer Age", "Units of Age", "Gender", "Out"]
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Below is adverse, with columns renamed.

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In [2]: adverse.head(5)
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NameError                                Traceback (most recent call last)
<ipython-input-2-e797ba01ef75> in <module>()
----> 1 adverse.head(5)

NameError: name 'adverse' is not defined
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In [27]: college_food = pd.read_csv("food_coded.csv") #reading in the data about college s
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If I go with the second option, I want to select a symptom by using `.match("symptom")` and making a new dataframe using only instances where that symptom showed up. For example, I would create a dataframe with only rows that had "nausea" listed as a symptom. There would be dataframes for each symptom I choose.

I would then go through the `food_choices` dataframe, and match foods that college students like, to the ["Industry Name"] or ["Product Name"] columns under the adverse dataframe. For example, a lot of students seem to like ice cream as their comfort food. That is easily matched to "Ice cream prod" entries under ["Industry Name"]. In each of my symptom dataframes, I would then either use a count or percentage to check the severity of rate of occurrence. My conclusions might sound something like: "Ice cream appears in x% of entries under "nausea" but 0 times under "death". Fruit appears many times under death, and a lot of college students say they eat fruit frequently, so this fruit-eating habit is more hazardous to their well-being than their ice cream habit."

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In [1]: deaths = adverse[adverse["Symptoms"].dropna().str.match('DEATH')]
deaths.head()
#Question: I tried to make the symptoms dataframes that
#I mentioned above but I keep getting an error. How do I solve this?
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<ipython-input-1-3a35f20f3845> in <module>()
----> 1 deaths = adverse[adverse["Symptoms"].dropna().str.match('DEATH')]
      2 deaths.head()
      3 #Question: I tried to make the symptoms dataframes that I mentioned above
but I keep getting an error. How do I solve this?

NameError: name 'adverse' is not defined
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Summary

I have the data I need and I'm confident that I can extract and use it, but I can't get past the `IndexingError` above.

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