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Help you find your ideal home in LA

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Part 1 Selection

Data Source: <http://us-city.census.okfn.org/entry/losangeles/parcels>

Parcels: Parcel data is data on the geographic boundaries of property. Parcels are the most specific units of geodata that governments maintain. The data is mainly used by the County Assessor's office to assess property taxes, yet is also used to keep track of addresses, other type of taxes, and zoning information. Because of their granularity, parcel data can be used for very detailed maps, visualizations, and all kinds of applications.

Official Parcel boundaries in the City of Los Angeles created and maintained by the Bureau of Engineering / GIS Mapping Division.

We want to explore the predictors of home price in LA

Filters

2394065 rows in the metadata,

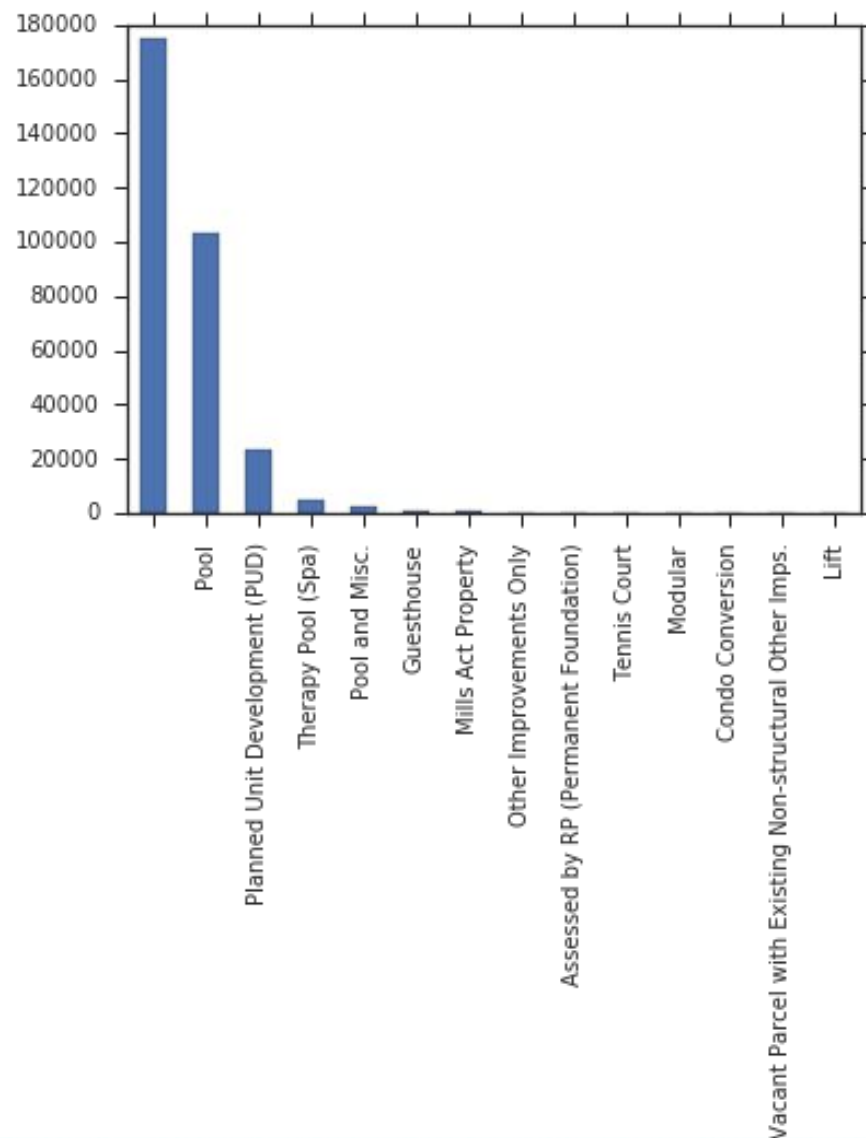
Roll year = 2016

Property type = SFR (single family residence)

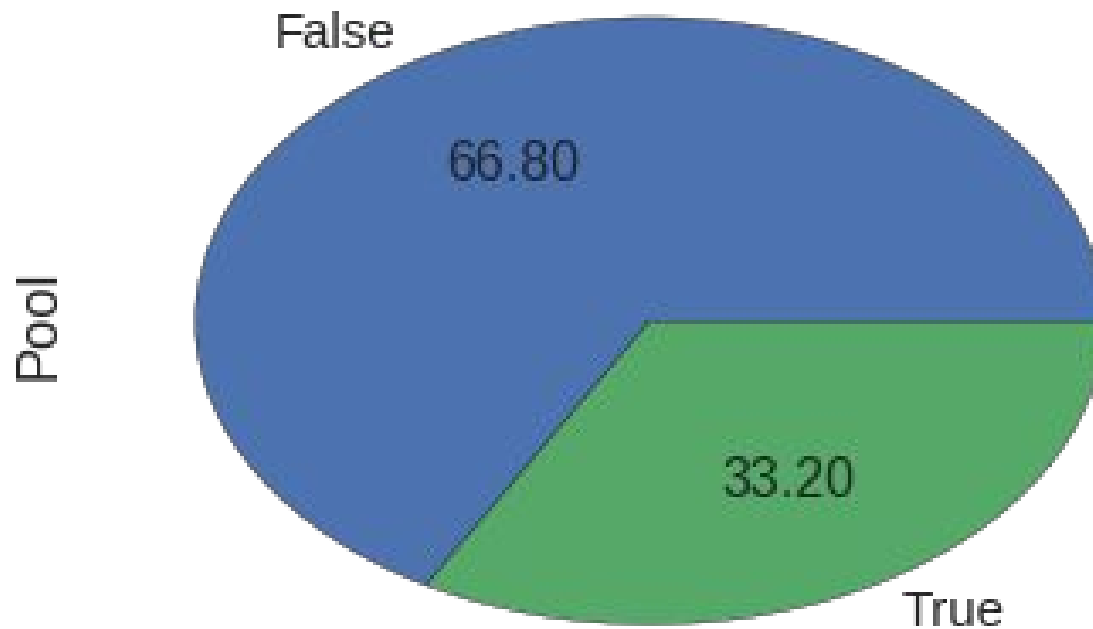
Bedroom > 3

Bathroom > 2

SpecificUseDetail2



```
df['Pool'] = (df['SpecificUseDetail2'] == 'Pool')  
df['Pool']
```

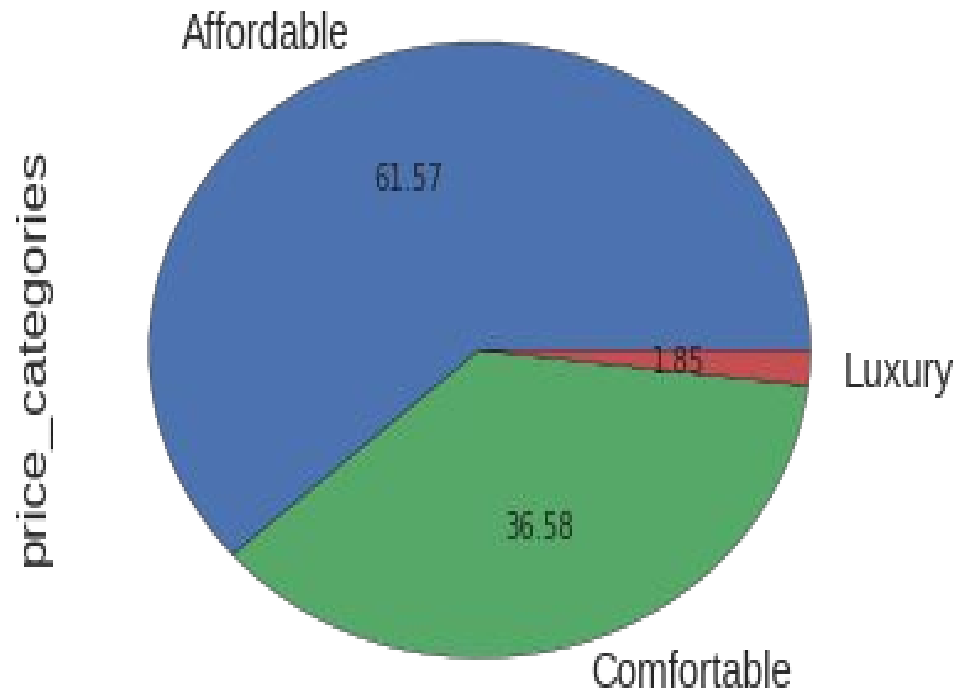


df['TotalValue'].describe()

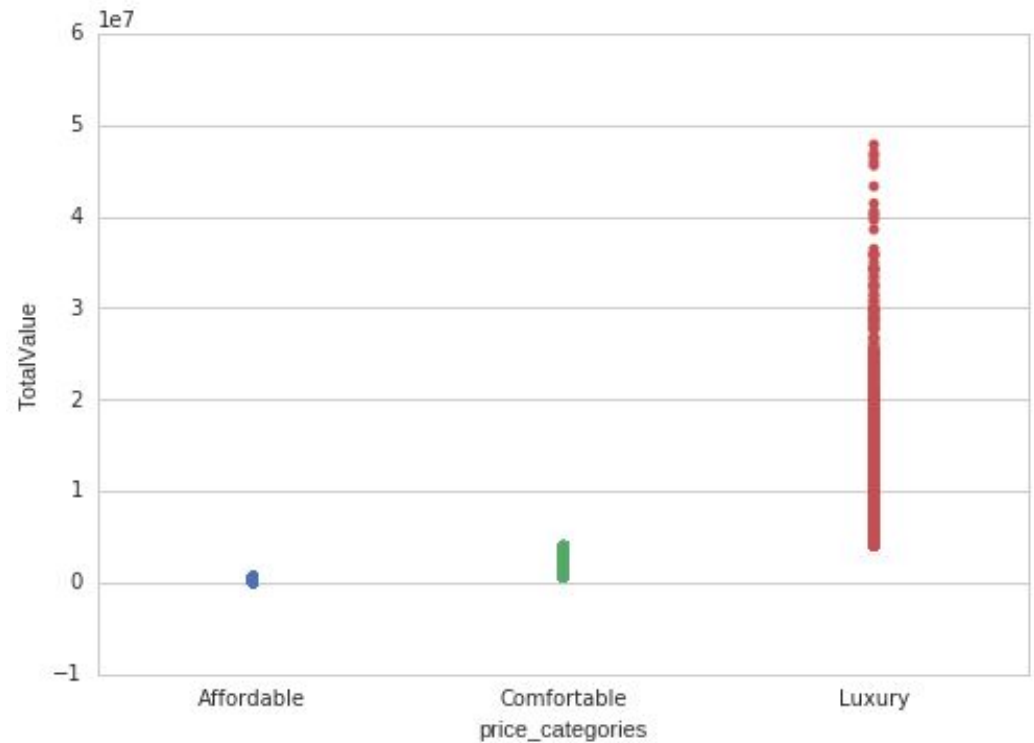
Count: 310757
Unique: 192671
Top: \$650,000.00
Freq: 118
Name: TotalValue
dtype: object

count 3.107570e+05
mean 8.335643e+05
std 1.671932e+06
min 0.000000e+00
25% 3.194600e+05
50% 5.272000e+05
75% 8.791670e+05
max 5.830608e+08
Name: TotalValue
dtype: float64

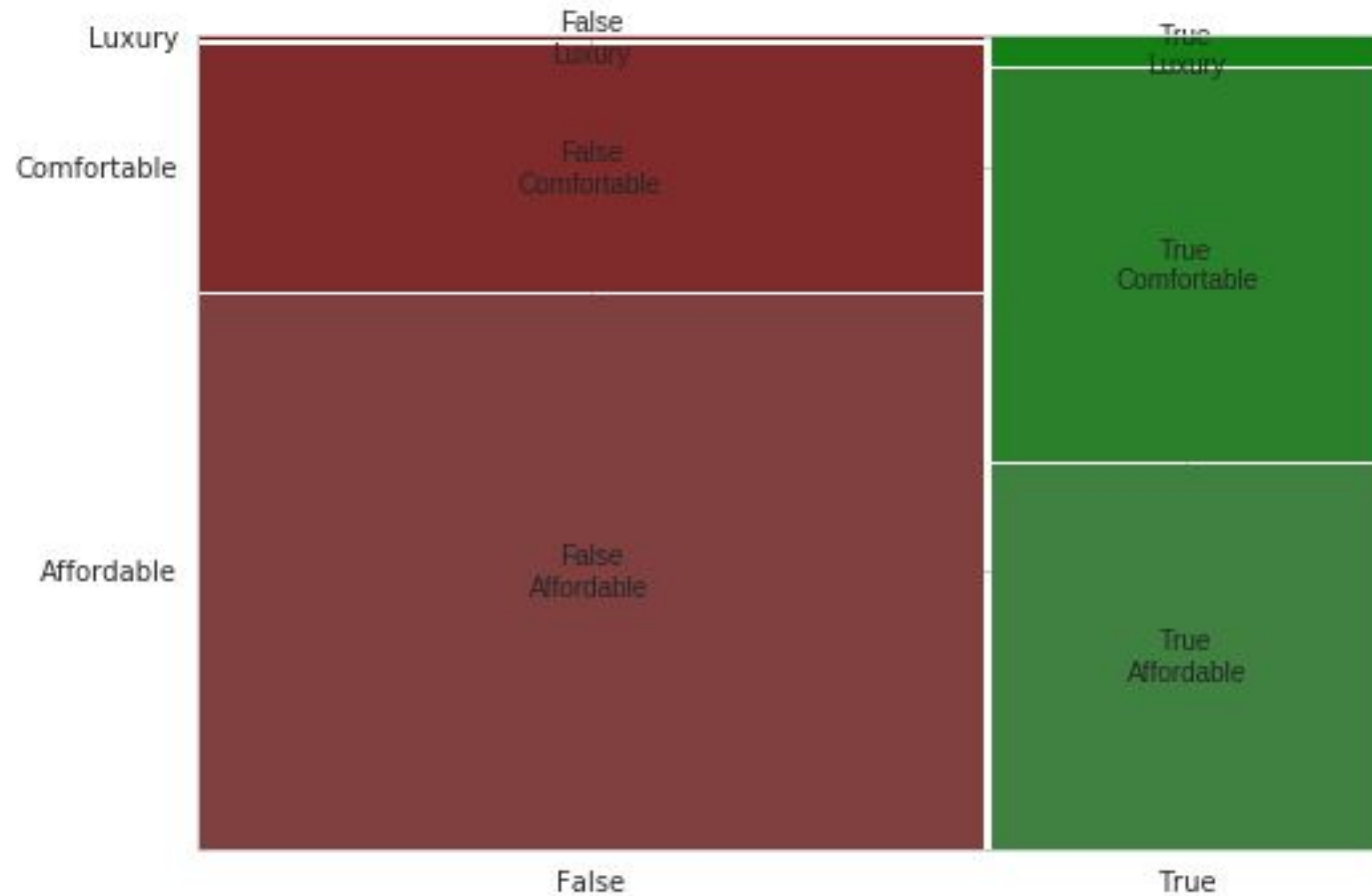
```
bins = [0, 650000, 4000000,
49000000]
group_names = ['Affordable',
'Comfortable', 'Luxury']
categories =
pd.cut(df['TotalValue'], bins,
labels=group_names)
df['price_categories'] =
pd.cut(df['TotalValue'], bins,
labels=group_names)
df['price_categories'].value_co
unts().plot(kind='pie',autopct='
%.2f')
```



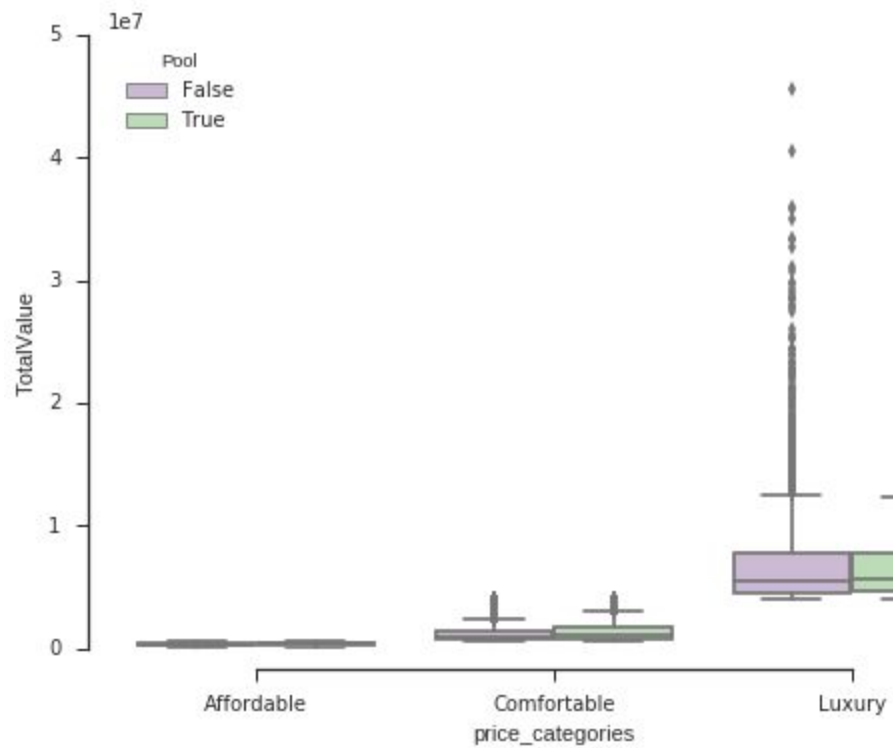
```
import numpy as np
import pandas as pd
import matplotlib as mpl
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import seaborn as sns
sns.set(style="whitegrid",
color_codes=True)
sns.stripplot(df['price_categories'],df[ 'TotalValue'])
```




```
mosaic(df, ['Pool', 'price_categories'])
```



```
sns.boxplot(df['price_categories'],df[ 'TotalValue'], hue=df['Pool'], palette="PRGn")  
sns.despine(offset=10, trim=True)
```



Have a pool or not?

```
In [17]: import statsmodels.formula.api as sm
result = sm.ols(formula= 'df["TotalValue"] ~ df["Pool"]', data=df).fit()
print (result.summary())
```

```

                    OLS Regression Results
=====
Dep. Variable:      df["TotalValue"]    R-squared:                0.018
Model:              OLS                 Adj. R-squared:            0.018
Method:             Least Squares        F-statistic:              5574.
Date:               Tue, 06 Dec 2016      Prob (F-statistic):       0.00
Time:               17:15:58             Log-Likelihood:           -4.8912e+06
No. Observations:   310757              AIC:                     9.782e+06
Df Residuals:       310755              BIC:                     9.782e+06
Df Model:           1
Covariance Type:    nonrobust
=====
                    coef    std err          t      P>|t|      [95.0% Conf. Int.]
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Intercept          6.771e+05    3637.069    186.169    0.000      6.7e+05  6.84e+05
df["Pool"][T.True]  4.713e+05    6312.481     74.659    0.000      4.59e+05  4.84e+05
=====
Omnibus:            1388490.143    Durbin-Watson:           1.399
Prob(Omnibus):      0.000         Jarque-Bera (JB):        31217094686097.117
Skew:               145.931         Prob(JB):                0.00
Kurtosis:           49103.253        Cond. No.                 2.41
=====
```

Warnings:

[1] Standard Errors assume that the covariance matrix of the errors is correctly specified.

```
In [21]: import statsmodels.formula.api as sm
result = sm.ols(formula= 'df["TotalValue"] ~ df["Pool"]+df["EffectiveYearBuilt"]+df["Bedrooms"]+df["Bathrooms"]', data=df)
print (result.summary())
```

```

OLS Regression Results
=====
Dep. Variable:      df["TotalValue"]    R-squared:                0.194
Model:              OLS                 Adj. R-squared:           0.194
Method:             Least Squares       F-statistic:             1.869e+04
Date:               Tue, 06 Dec 2016    Prob (F-statistic):       0.00
Time:               17:25:05           Log-Likelihood:          -4.8604e+06
No. Observations:   310757             AIC:                     9.721e+06
Df Residuals:       310752             BIC:                     9.721e+06
Df Model:            4
Covariance Type:    nonrobust
=====

```

	coef	std err	t	P> t	[95.0% Conf. Int.]	
Intercept	-9.483e+05	2.25e+05	-4.216	0.000	-1.39e+06	-5.07e+05
df["Pool"][T.True]	1.699e+05	5882.138	28.876	0.000	1.58e+05	1.81e+05
df["EffectiveYearBuilt"]	-323.8527	113.466	-2.854	0.004	-546.243	-101.462
df["Bedrooms"]	-3780.8718	4298.578	-0.880	0.379	-1.22e+04	4644.218
df["Bathrooms"]	6.679e+05	2942.432	226.986	0.000	6.62e+05	6.74e+05

```

=====
Omnibus:            1499708.151    Durbin-Watson:           1.664
Prob(Omnibus):      0.000         Jarque-Bera (JB):        66160507280963.234
Skew:               190.108        Prob(JB):                0.00
Kurtosis:           71483.640      Cond. No.                1.65e+05
=====

```

Warnings:

- [1] Standard Errors assume that the covariance matrix of the errors is correctly specified.
- [2] The condition number is large, 1.65e+05. This might indicate that there are

Part 2 - Wrangling

Based on the data we filtered above, we wrangle the data into a format suitable for analysis.

1. we drop the redundant columns: Save the columns we want to keep in a new file using"

```
!csvcut -c1,11-13,15-20,22,24,29,41,43-50 p2.csv > p31.csv"
```

Repeated information: 2. TaxRateArea_CITY, 3. AIN: included in rowID, 4. RollYear, 5. TaxRateArea: same number as AIN. 7. PropertyLocation, 8. PropertyType, 9. PropertyUseCode, 10. GeneralUseType, 26. TotalLandImpValue=Total LandValue + ImprovementValue on this assessment roll, 34. TotalValue= LandValue + ImprovementValue + FixtureValue + PersonalPropertyValue, 35. TotalExemption= HomeownersExemption + RealEstateExemption + FixtureExemption + PersonalPropertyExemption, 36. netTaxableValue= column34 - column35 51. Location 1

Not related: 6. AssessorID 14. totBuildingDataLines 21. RecordingDate 23. LandBaseYear 25. ImpBaseYear 27. HomeownersExemptionon 28. RealEstateExemption 30. FixtureExemption 31. PersonalPropertyValue 32. PersonalPropertyExemptionur 33. isTaxableParcel? 37. SpecialParcelClassification 38. AdministrativeRegion 39. Cluster 40. ParcelBoundaryDescription 42. HouseFraction

```
!csvcut -n p31.csv
```

```
!csvcut -c20,21,22 p31.csv | csvstat
```

```
1: ZIPcode
2: SpecificUseType
3: SpecificUseDetail1
4: SpecificUseDetail2
5: YearBuilt
6: EffectiveYearBuilt
7: SQFTmain
8: Bedrooms
9: Bathrooms
10: Units
11: LandValue
12: ImprovementValue
13: FixtureValue
14: HouseNo
15: StreetDirection
16: StreetName
17: UnitNo
18: City
19: ZIPcode5
20: rowID
21: CENTER_LAT
22: CENTER_LON
```

```
1. rowID
   <class 'int'>
   Nulls: False
   Min: 20162004001003
   Max: 20168765022045
   Sum: 6266415875014577263
   Mean: 20165003121456.887
   Median: 20164411014009
   Standard Deviation: 2296140842.4706125
   Unique values: 310757

2. CENTER_LAT
   <class 'float'>
   Nulls: True
   Min: 33.33971975
   Max: 34.81962976
   Sum: 10607209.542702254
   Mean: 34.13466156507969
   Median: 34.117165985
   Standard Deviation: 0.22305192815144012
   Unique values: 306772
   5 most frequent values:
           34.12514642:    71
           34.12231882:    61
           33.82320686:    43
           34.41000082:    37
           34.04246356:    36
```

2. Examine and filter again:

Take a look these columns, we may need further filtering.

Because first, we are exploring Single Family Residence; Second, the number of rooms need to be controlled in reasonable ranges.

we assume the range of Bedrooms is[5,10], and that of Bathrooms is[3,6];finally, to precise our analysis, we assume Units to be 1. The filters are added below in the SQL part.

```
1. SpecificUseType
  <class 'str'>
  Nulls: True
  Values: Manufactured Home, Single Family Residence

2. Bedrooms
  <class 'int'>
  Nulls: False
  Min: 4
  Max: 44
  Sum: 1370278
  Mean: 4.409483937610416
  Median: 4
  Standard Deviation: 0.716897695077448
  Unique values: 25
  5 most frequent values:
      4:      211004
      5:      79401
      6:      15650
      7:       3378
      8:       885

3. Bathrooms
  <class 'int'>
  Nulls: False
  Min: 3
  Max: 93
  Sum: 1108725
  Mean: 3.5678198721187293
  Median: 2
```

Load our data into database, introduce postgresql

```
%%sql
COPY la_assessment FROM '/home/qy/Desktop/p31.csv'
CSV
HEADER
QUOTE '"'
DELIMITER ',';
```

310757 rows affected.

```
[]
```

```
%%sql
DROP TABLE IF EXISTS la_assessment;
CREATE TABLE la_assessment (
    ZIPcode          CHAR(10),
    SpecificUseType   CHAR(30),
    SpecificUseDetail1 VARCHAR(64),
    SpecificUseDetail2 VARCHAR(64),
    YearBuilt         INTEGER,
    EffectiveYearBuilt INTEGER,
    SQFTmain          VARCHAR(10),
    Bedrooms          INTEGER,
    Bathrooms         INTEGER,
    Units             INTEGER,
    LandValue         MONEY,
    ImprovementValue  MONEY,
    FixtureValue      MONEY,
    HouseNo           VARCHAR(6),
    StreetDirection   VARCHAR(6),
    StreetName        VARCHAR(64),
    UnitNo            VARCHAR(30),
    City              VARCHAR(30),
    ZIPcode5          CHAR(5),
    rowID             VARCHAR(20),
    CENTER_LAT        Decimal(10,8),
    CENTER_LON        Decimal(11,8)
);
```

Done.

We set our data as:

Special Use Type=Single Family Residence

Units = 1 (Total number of living units)

```
%%sql
DELETE FROM la_assessment
WHERE Units=0 OR Units>1;
```

1401 rows affected.

[]

```
%%sql
SELECT Units,COUNT(Units) FROM la_assessment
GROUP BY Units;
```

1 rows affected.

units	count
1	309247

```
%%sql
DELETE FROM la_assessment
WHERE SpecificUseType NOT LIKE '%Single Family Residence%';
```

109 rows affected.

[]

```
%%sql
SELECT SpecificUseType,COUNT(SpecificUseType) FROM la_assessment
GROUP BY SpecificUseType;
```

1 rows affected.

specificusetype	count
Single Family Residence	310648

4=<Bedrooms<=10
3=<Bathrooms <=6

```
%%sql
DELETE FROM la_assessment
WHERE Bedrooms>10;
```

76 rows affected.

[]

```
%%sql
SELECT Bedrooms,COUNT(Bedrooms) FROM la_assessment
GROUP BY Bedrooms;
```

7 rows affected.

bedrooms	count
6	15470
8	839
10	88
4	210303
5	78952
9	210
7	3309

```
%%sql
DELETE FROM la_assessment
WHERE Bathrooms>6;
```

6805 rows affected.

[]

```
%%sql
SELECT Bathrooms,COUNT(Bathrooms) FROM la_assessment
GROUP BY Bathrooms;
```

4 rows affected.

bathrooms	count
4	57699
6	10243
3	208195
5	26229

**Drop the
SpecificUseType
and Units,
identical values**

```
%%sql  
ALTER TABLE la_assessment  
DROP COLUMN SpecificUseType;
```

Done .

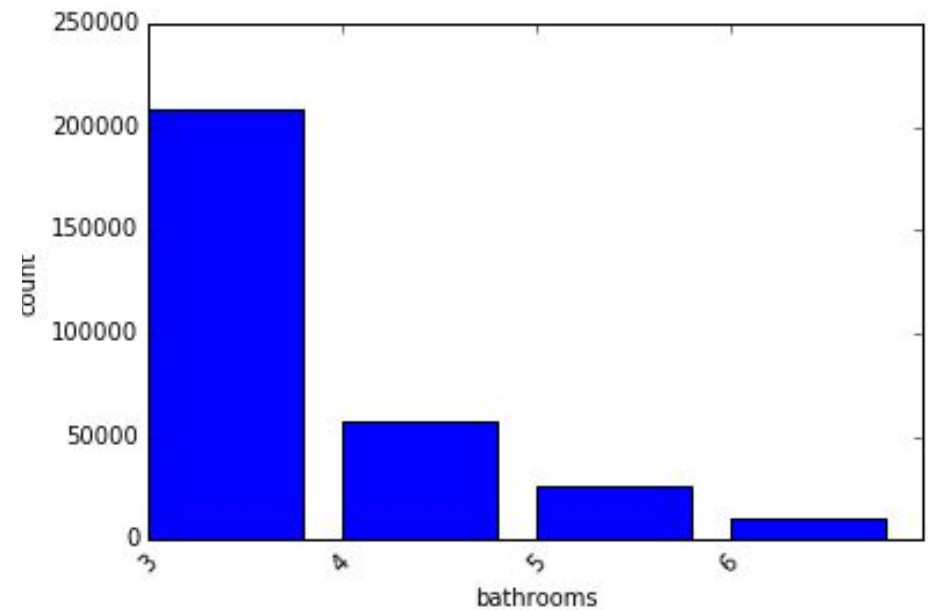
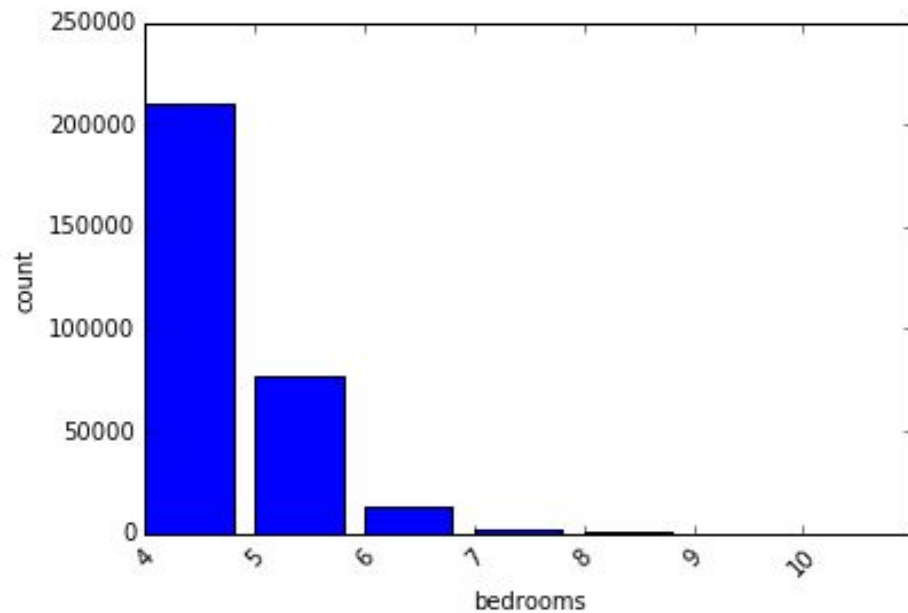
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```
%%sql  
ALTER TABLE la_assessment  
DROP COLUMN Units;
```

Done .

Part 3 Analysis

Number of properties by Number of Bedrooms & Bathrooms



Total Value

V.S.

Number of Bedrooms

```
SELECT Bedrooms, AVG(CAST(Totalvalue AS decimal)) FROM la_assessment  
GROUP BY Bedrooms  
ORDER BY Bedrooms;
```

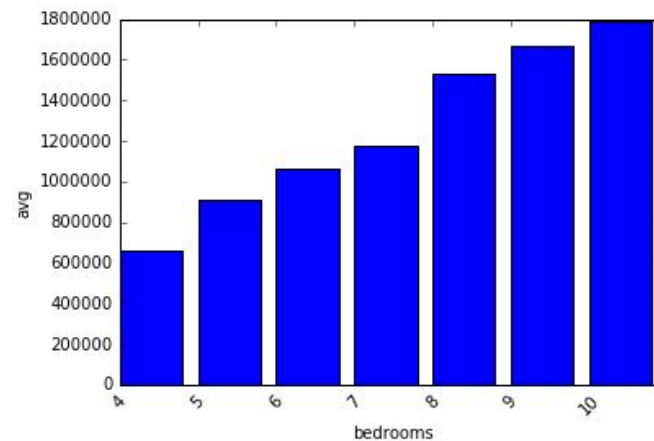
7 rows affected.

Out[62]:

bedrooms	avg
4	657018.350425027771
5	908849.820506141162
6	1062606.003751052591
7	1174554.085096803242
8	1532844.014018691589
9	1666046.385416666667
10	1788516.300000000000

```
In [47]: bedrooms =  
bedrooms.bar()
```

Out[47]: <Container object of 7 artists>



Total Value

V.S.

Number of Bathrooms

```
In [48]: %%sql
SELECT Bathrooms, AVG(CAST(Totalvalue AS decimal)) FROM la_assessment
GROUP BY Bathrooms
ORDER BY Bathrooms;
```

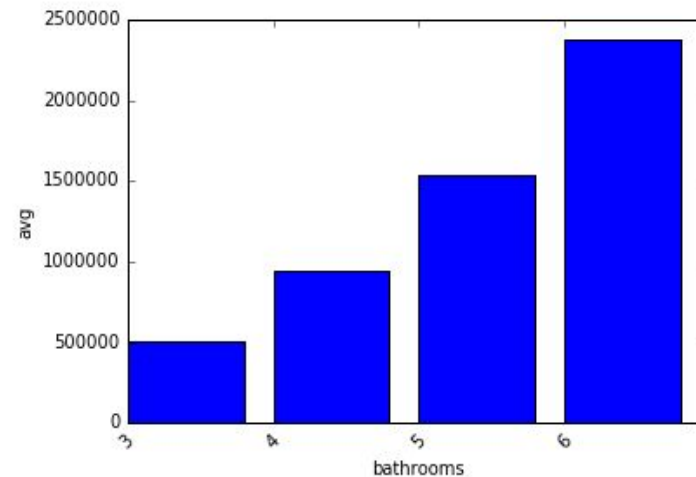
4 rows affected.

Out[48]:

bathrooms	avg
3	507537.415816902423
4	945144.767084351549
5	1540008.173853368409
6	2377686.627452894660

```
In [49]: bathrooms = _
bathrooms.bar()
```

Out[49]: <Container object of 4 artists>



```
In [14]: %%sql
SELECT EffectiveYearBuilt,AVG(CAST(Totalvalue AS decimal)) FROM la_assessment
WHERE effectiveyearbuilt >= 1990
AND Bedrooms = 4
GROUP BY EffectiveYearBuilt
ORDER BY EffectiveYearBuilt;
```

27 rows affected.

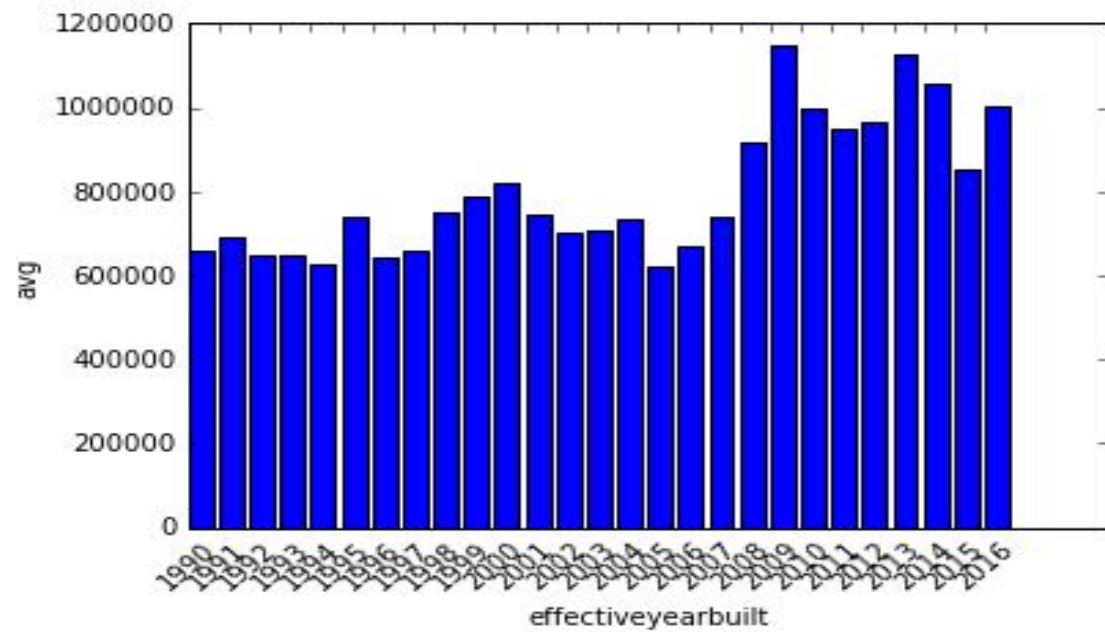
Out[14]:

effectiveyearbuilt	avg
1990	657188.378104575163
1991	689489.751109467456
1992	650393.599828252469
1993	650892.455379908210
1994	625210.089826839827
1995	742969.163543441227
1996	643680.123206333498
1997	661157.052726453357
1998	750135.499325236167

Total Value

V.S.

Year Built

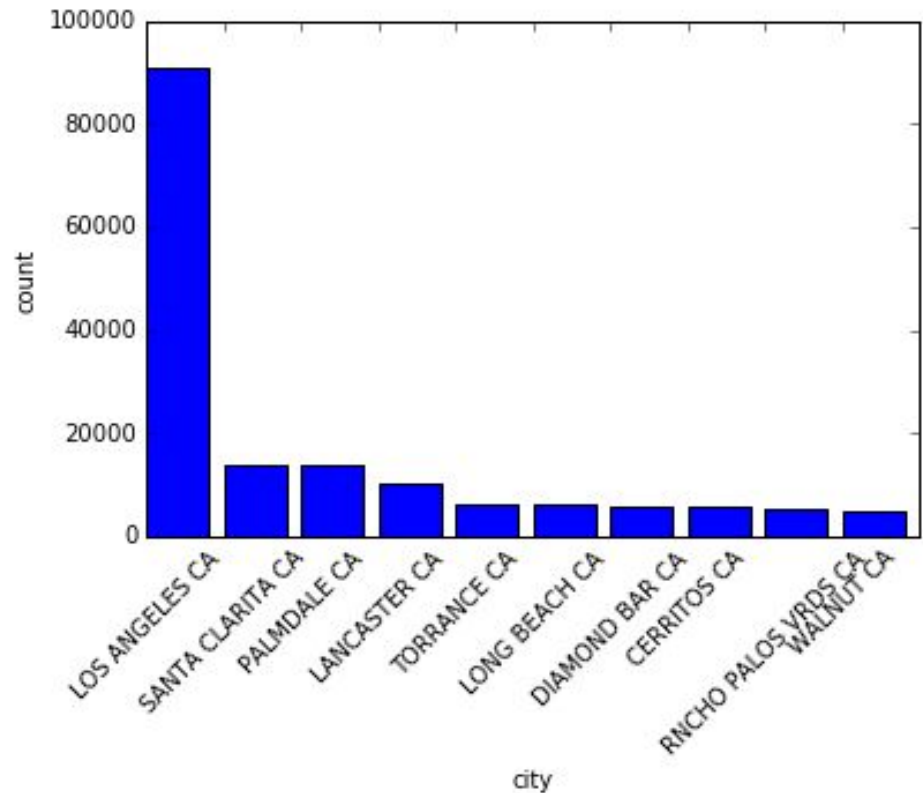


City with most properties

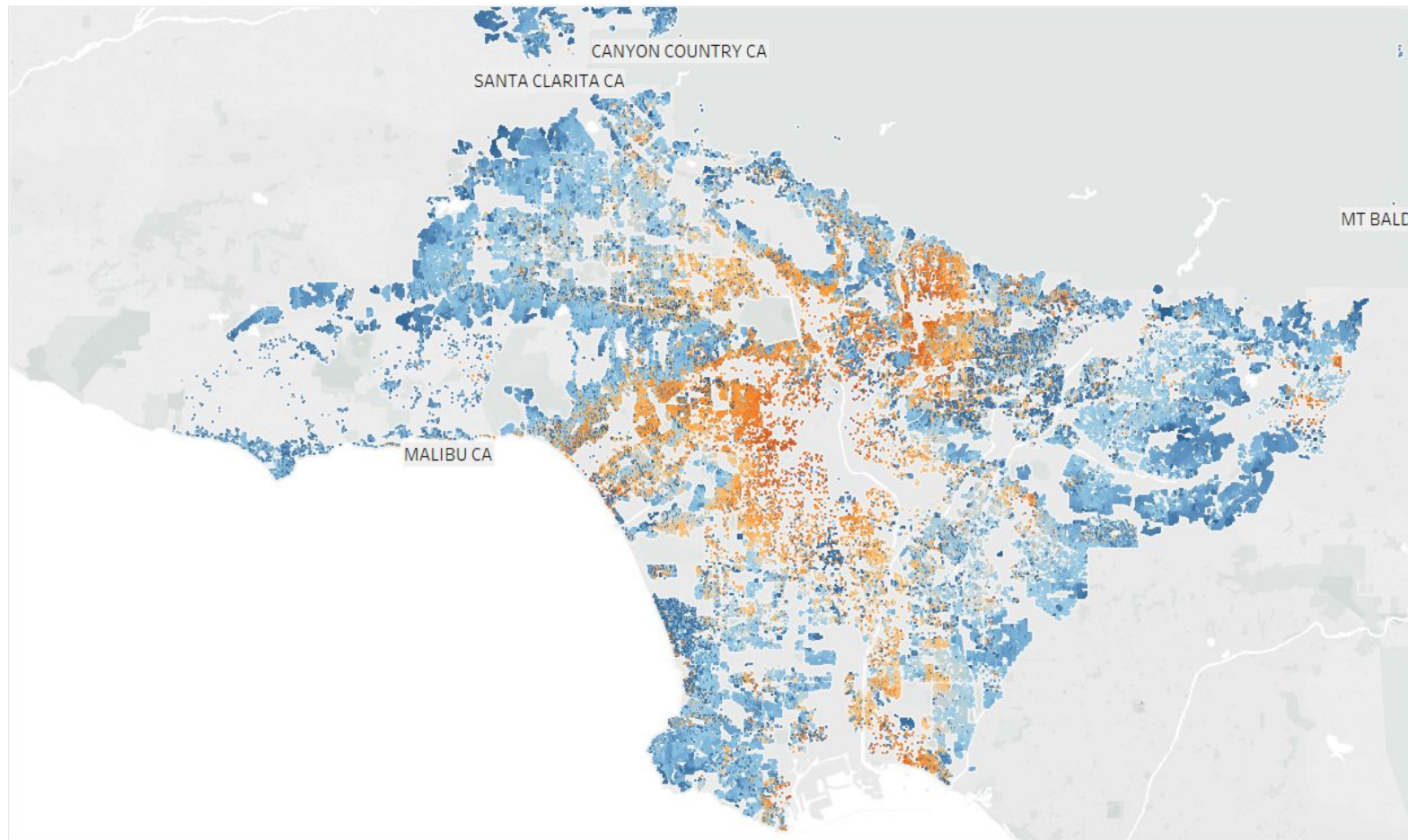
```
%%sql
SELECT City,COUNT(*) AS COUNT FROM la_assessment
GROUP BY City
ORDER BY COUNT DESC
LIMIT 10;
```

10 rows affected.

city	count
LOS ANGELES CA	90865
SANTA CLARITA CA	14116
PALMDALE CA	13812
LANCASTER CA	10469
TORRANCE CA	6422
LONG BEACH CA	6279
DIAMOND BAR CA	5999
CERRITOS CA	5913
RNCHO PALOS VRDS CA	5517
WALNUT CA	5014



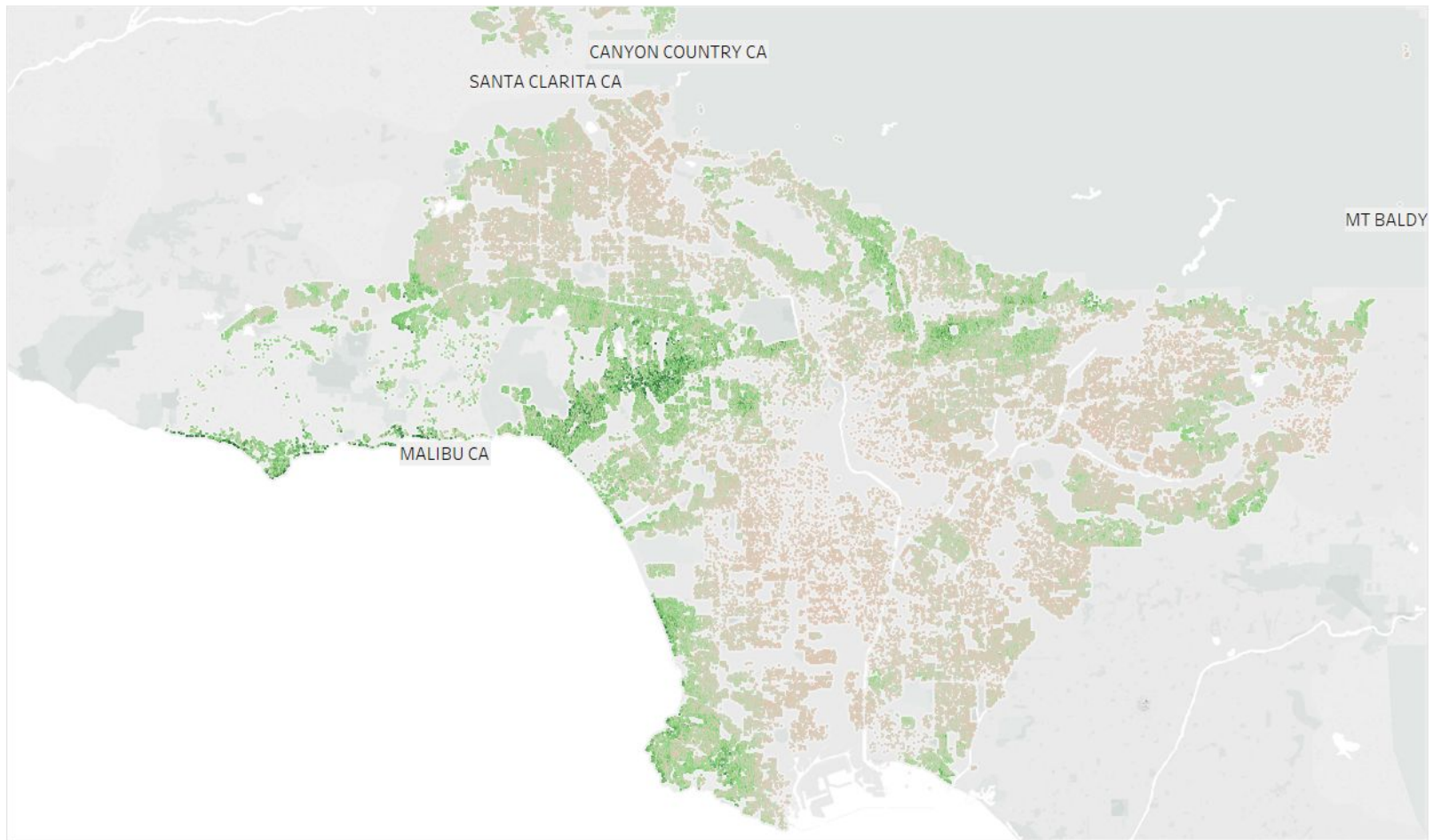
Effective year built V.S. Location



Map based on Center Lon1 and Center Lat1. Color shows average of Yearbuilt. The marks are labeled by City.



Total value V.S. Location



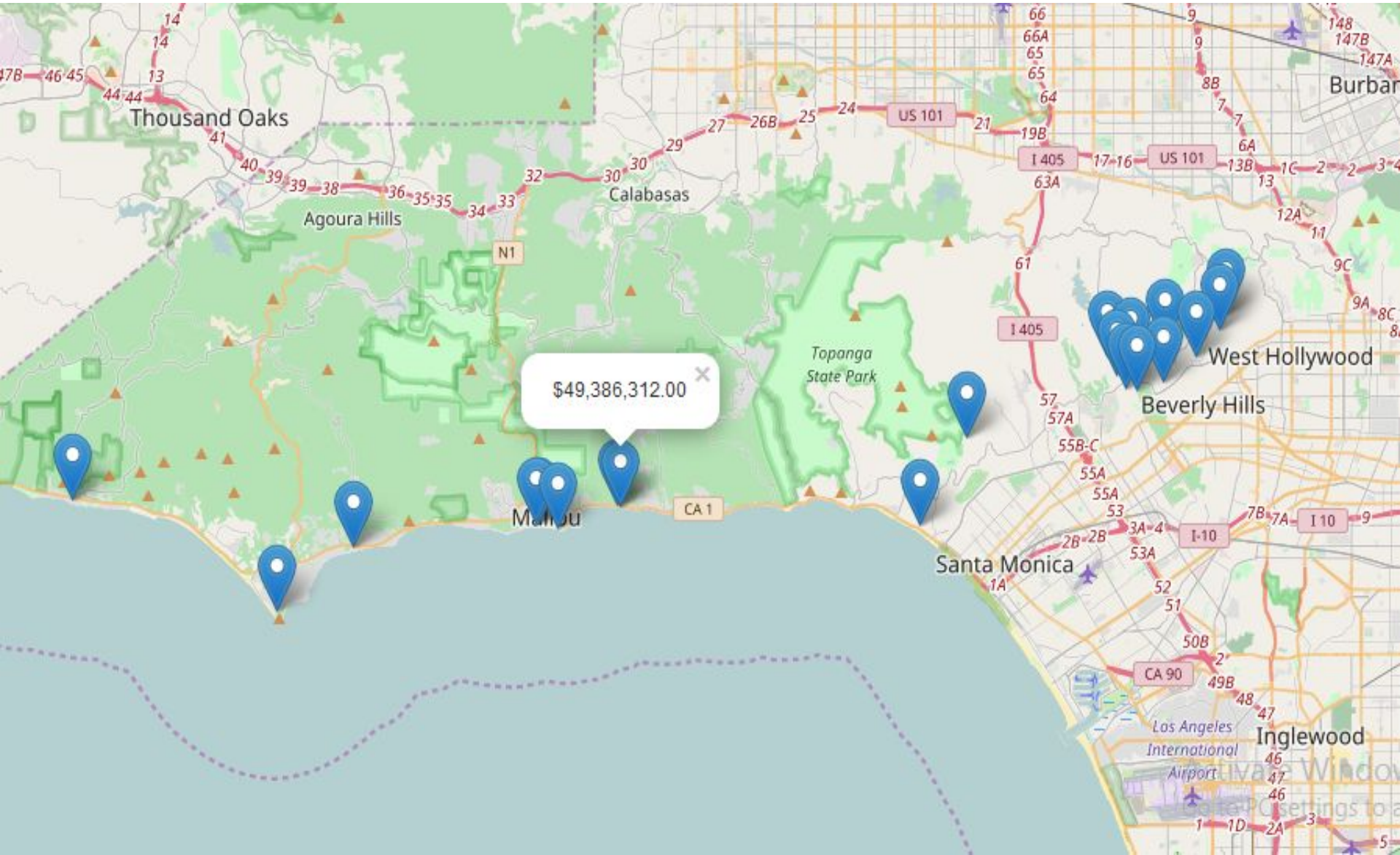
Map based on Center Lon1 and Center Lat1. Color shows average of Totalvalue. The marks are labeled by City as an attribute.



Dr. NotSoStrange's dilemma

- Dr. NotSoStrange just moved to LA with his wife and 4 teenage kids
- Being a super specialist, life has been kind to him and he has earned enough to buy a house without having to pay for mortgage later
- He wants to explore areas in LA where he could buy a house for his family to settle in

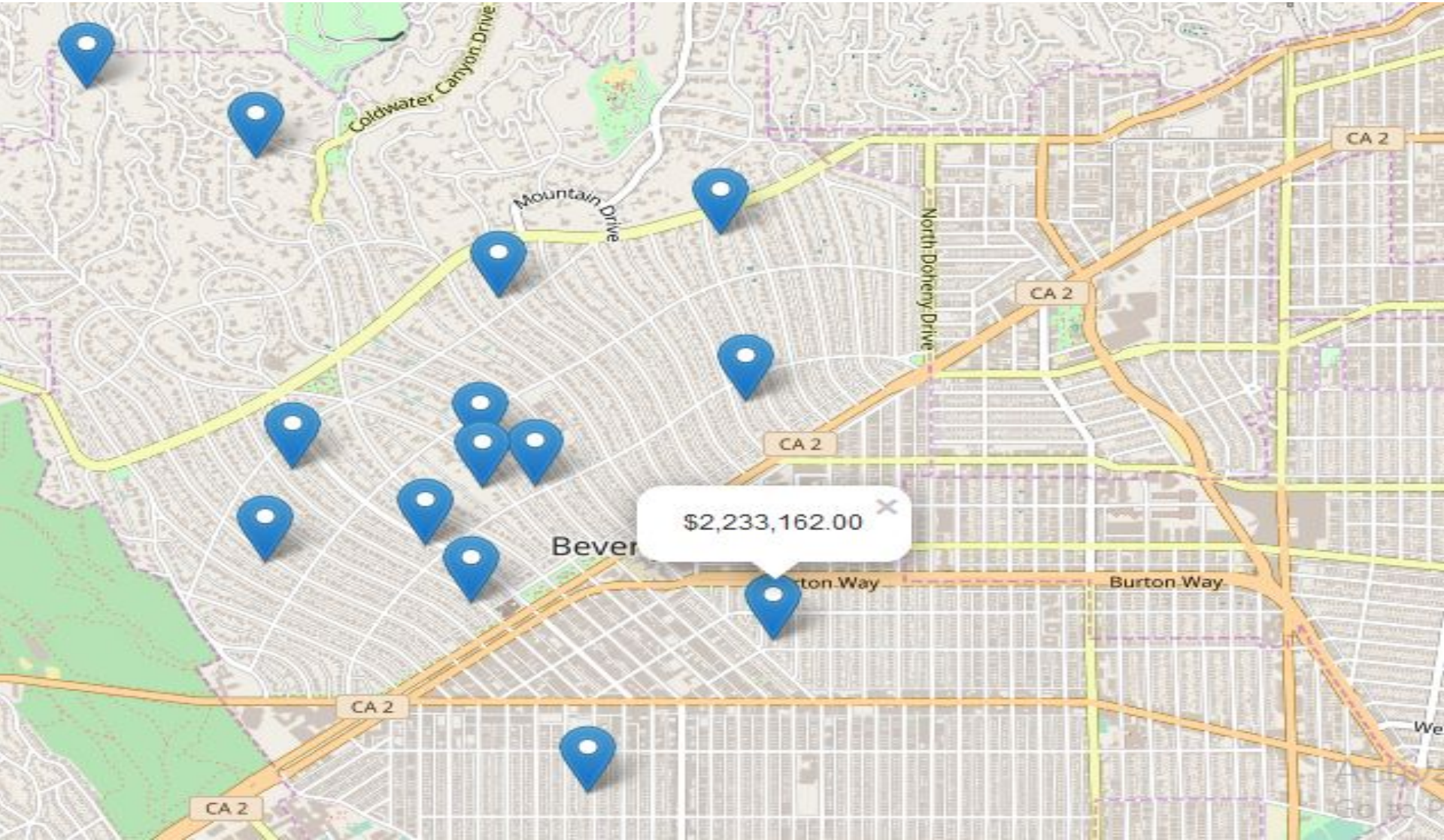
Let's show Dr NotSoStrange highest valued properties in LA and drop a bomb on his bank account



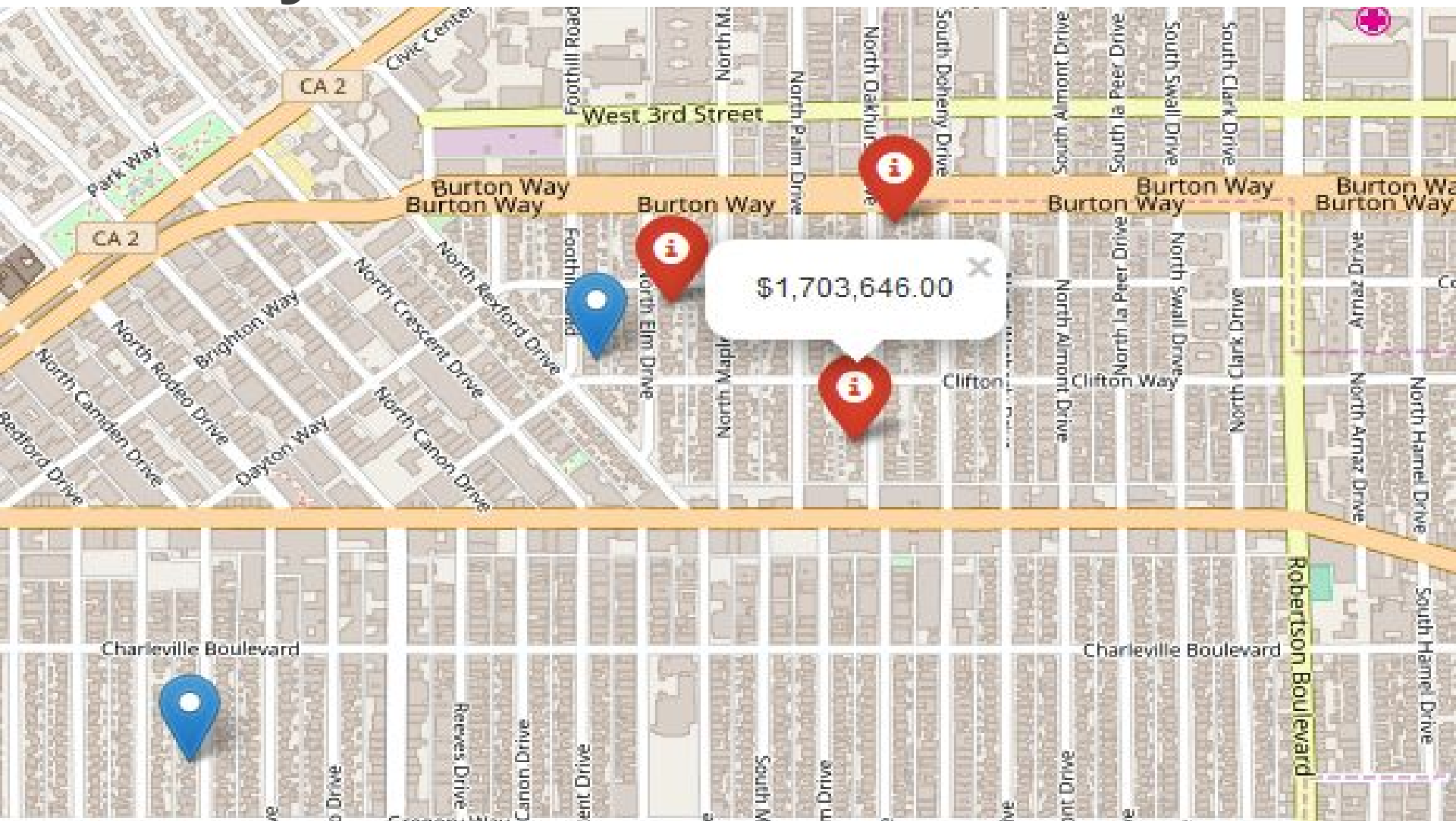
House for a big family!

- He wants to find a house in Beverly Hills.
- House should have more than 5 bedrooms
- It shouldn't be too old
- It should have a pool

14 houses matched the criteria



A cheaper house few blocks away!





Thank you !

References

<http://cattime.com/cat-facts/kittens>

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1Z-LBxAGf25yRocLuJrmZ-Gi3XIFFgN2b1W9tr3zbxJQ/edit#bookmark=id.liqixfol2pm>