# Tanzania Water Points

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# **Business Problem**



Working with the Tanzanian Ministry Of Water to predict the operating condition of a waterfront.



## Data Set

#### Over 59k data points

There are columns missing anywhere from 300 to 28k data points.

#### Location

A few columns dealing with regions, coordinates, and districts.

#### **Descriptive**

Columns that describe the type of water point or the amount of water.

#### Clerical

Columns that stated when a water point was constructed or who managed it.

### Process

Explore Clean Model Interpret

After acquiring data, take this chance to see what your data offers.

Get rid of missing and replace incorrect values. Try to maintain as much data as possible. Create many test models for your data. Like Random Forest or XGBoost. Interpret the models and pick the best one for your problem.



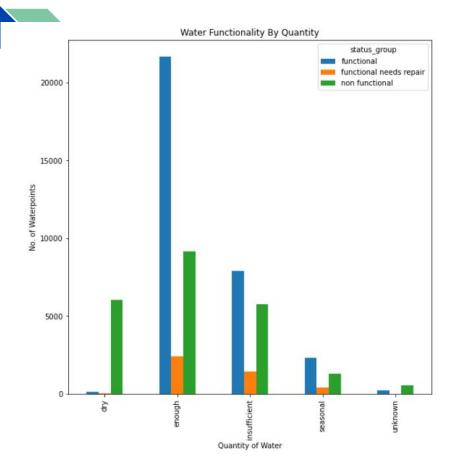
## 2. Best Model

#### **XGBOOST**

- → The highest accuracy of 79% overall.
- → Predicted 80% of wells that are non functional and functional, and only 56% of wells that need repairs.

### Important Features

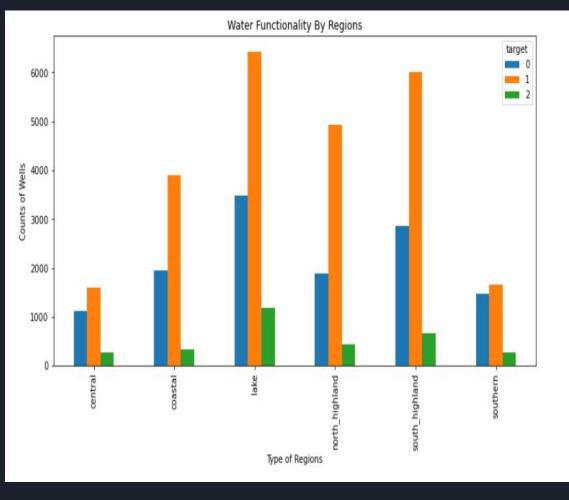
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0.0807 ± 0.0023	latitude
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0.0437 ± 0.0017	gps_height
0.0435 ± 0.0014	payment
0.0378 ± 0.0005	quantity_seasonal
0.0324 ± 0.0010	population
0.0128 ± 0.0011	district_code
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0.0097 ± 0.0009	et_submersible
0.0093 ± 0.0009	et_handpump
0.0087 ± 0.0015	source river lake
0.0081 ± 0.0012	amount tsh
0.0063 ± 0.0007	source shallow well
0.0061 ± 0.0013	permit
0.0057 ± 0.0006	source_spring
0.0050 ± 0.0008	et_motorpump
0.0050 ± 0.0002	lga_Bariadi
	159 more



65% percent of 'enough' wells are functional noting this might be a great predictor for functional wells.

As for predicting non functioning wells, 'dry' wells make up 96%.

Dry wells makes up about 26% of all non functional wells.





## **Locations**

- → Lake and Southern Highland zones have the most functioning wells.
- → They are both located near bodies of water.
- → Whereas, central is somewhat in the middle of Tanzania and doesn't have the same access.

#### Recommendations

- 1. Knowing the quantity of the wells can help identify the status of other wells
- 2. Focusing on areas that are far from bodies of water can help identify areas that has non functional wells due to the lack of access to water.

#### Tip

Don't let data stand alone. Always relate it back to a story you've already told, in this case, Marco's shop.

Source: theguardian.com

### **Future Research:**

- Examine the longevity of different extraction types
- Review different management companies and styles for water points with less repairs and non functional water point
- Check to see if population plays a role in usage
- Review how different sources and quality of water can affect structures
- Narrow down the focus of the predictions



### **Until Next Time**

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