

Real Estate Modelling

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Tutorial 2: R Markdown, Descriptive Statistics, Maps

| Learning Outcomes | R Functions | Packages | Data |
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| Understand what R markdown is | | | |
| Know how to generate R markdown-html-files | | rmarkdown; knitr | |
| Know how to query data frame dimension | dim() | | Lucas.County.data |
| Know how to generate factor variables & query/store factor information | as.factor(); levels() table() as.data.frame() colnames() | | |
| Know how to query info on extreme values | which.min() | | |
| Be able to obtain selected descriptive statistics | stat.desc(); t() | pastecs | |
| Be able to prepare a map widget using R | leaflet() setView(); mean() addTiles() addProviderTiles() palette_explorer() colorQuantile() addCircleMarkers() addLegend() quantile(); seq() markerClusterOptions() | leaflet leaflet.extras leaflet.providers | |
| Be able to use R to plot data in a map | | tmap; tmaptools shiny; shinyjs | |

Practical 1: Descriptive Statistics

- Load the **Lucas.County.data** into RStudio and store it in a data frame, called **dat1**. What are its dimensions?
- Transform variable *wall* into a factor variable, determine its levels and the distribution of observations across the different levels, storing the information in data frame **Tab.wall**. Name the column containing the names of the levels *Wall Category*.
- Which property observation has the lowest price?
- Obtain selected descriptive statistics (i.e., the number of observations, mean, standard deviation, minimum and maximum values) for the numerical variables of **dat1**, using the **pastecs** package.

Practical 2: Maps

- a. Using the `leaflet` package, prepare a map widget for the **Lucas_County_data** in RStudio.
- b. Use the map widget to depict the variable *price* according to deciles, using the exact (geo-referenced) property locations.
- c. Prepare a new map widget for the **Lucas_County_data**. Use cluster markers to depict the spatial density of property observations.