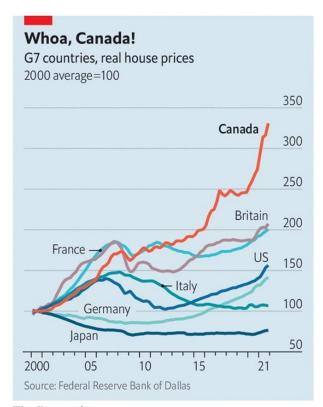
Predicting Calgary Housing Prices

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Why is it important?

Immigration and **population growth** boost housing demand, exerting upward pressure on prices due to supply-demand imbalance, constrained by public funding and **construction resources**.

Low **crime rate** and healthy **employment rates** generally contribute to rising house prices, yet when these factors do not contribute the way we expect, it is important to dig deeper to understand the implications for **affordability** and city growth.



The Economist

Collect Data

City of Calgary Open Data Portal:

- Calgary Census Data (1998-2019)
- Development Permit Applications
- Building Permits
- Calgary Prosperous City Indicators (2016-2018)
- Community Crime and Disorder Statistics
- <u>Calgary Assessed Property Values</u>

Statistics Canada:

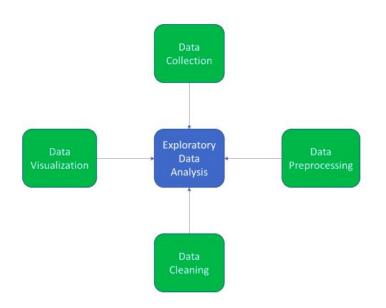
- Interprovincial Migration Data



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Exploratory Data Analysis

- Inspect quality of data
- Extract data subsets
- Transform data
- Explore various EDA and modeling techniques:
 - Conduct a correlation analysis to assess the relationships between all features
 - Visualize the data through scatter plots and heatmaps to identify any patterns or clusters that may exist in the dataset



<u>Source</u>

Build Models

Final Dataset

- Features
 - Population
 - o Income
 - Age
 - Family Size
 - o Community Crime Rate
 - o Dwelling Type
- Target Variable: Housing Prices

Model Selection

- Supervised Learning
 - Linear models : Linear Regression and Logistic Regression
 - Non-Linear Models : Polynomial Regression
- Ensemble Models

