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Predictions for Housing Investment

Residential Projections by Zip Code



Business Problem

Where to buy property?

Our client is a real estate holding company looking to purchase homes as investments. Which zip-codes will yield the highest returns?



Value Metric

Return on Investment (ROI)



Time Horizon

5 Year Investments



Risk Tolerance

Low



The Market

The US Real Estate market is large, with 1.12m housing units for sale in 2019. Our goal is to find the best zip codes to invest in in order to maximize ROI.

3.6%

Average Increase in Value - Single Family Home

13.1%

Average Increase in Value - Top Metro Area

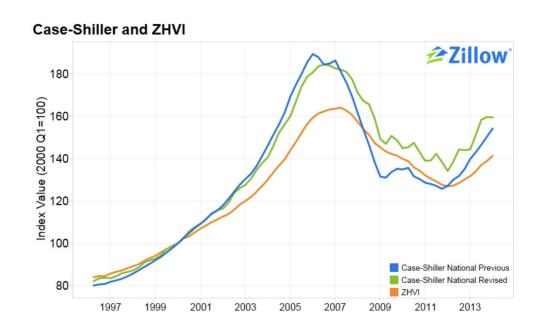
383K

Average Sale Price



Data

- Zillow Home Value Index (ZHVI)
- 1996-2020
- 30,000 observations
- 73% of zip codes in the US
- Datatypes: int, float, object and 0



Limitations

- Model is not perfect
- Non-Stationarity
- External factors not considered



Method of Determining Best Zip Codes



1. 3-year Growth



2. 24-year Growth



conclusions

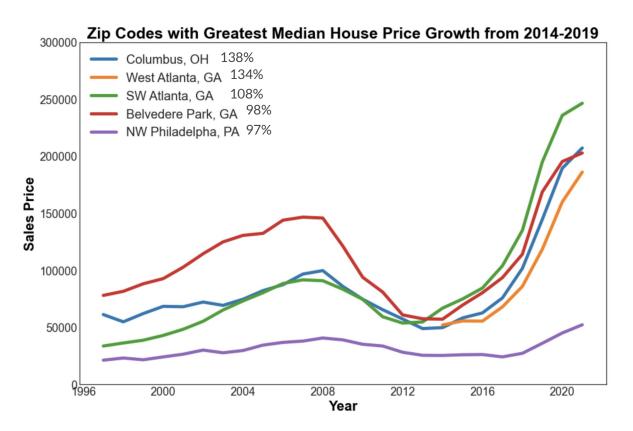
3. Recession Growth



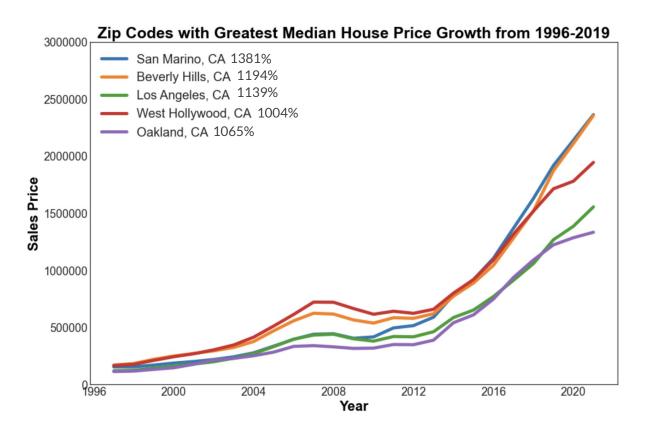
4. Regional Growth



3-Year Growth



24-Year Growth



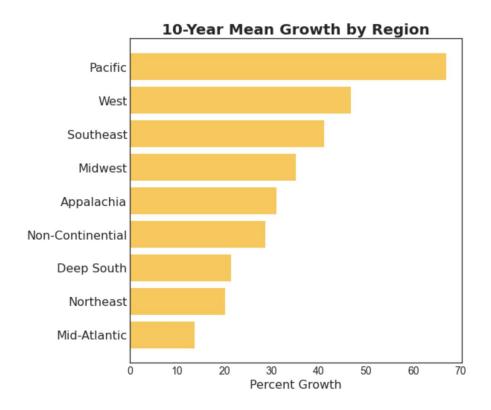


Growth During Recession

45 zip codes had 15% or greater growth between 2008-2009



Growth Since Recession

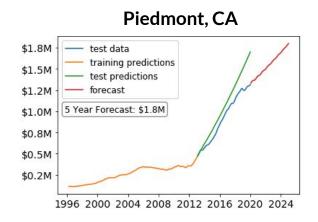


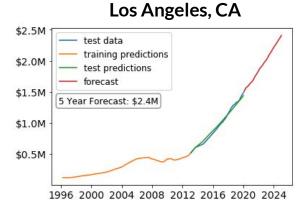
Recommended Zip Codes

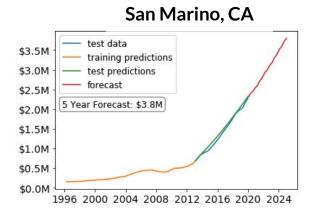
All had 24-year growth over 1000%



Top Zipcodes - All Time - Predictions (1)

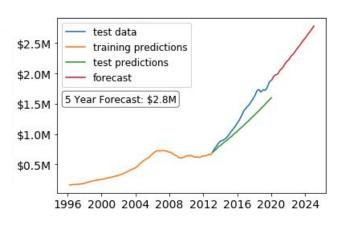




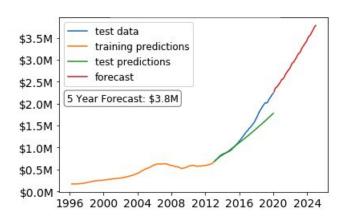


Top Zipcodes - All Time - Predictions (2)

West Hollywood



Beverly Grove



Future Improvements

- Use more advanced models
- Model other zipcodes



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Questions?

