Air Pollution + Crop Yields

Project 3 - Data Engineering

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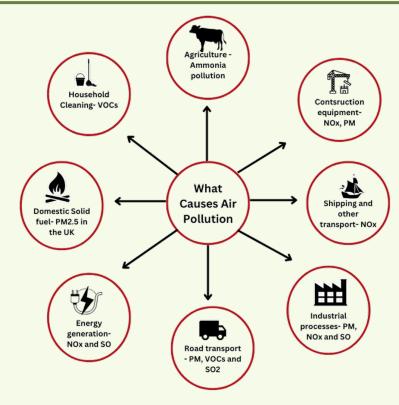
Crop Yields

Agriculture crops can be injured when exposed to high concentrations of various pollutants. Pollutants show visible markings on foliage reducing growth and ultimately damaging the crop.





Air Pollution Sources



Nitrogen Oxide

"Research led by David Lobell finds that areas around the globe with high amounts of nitrogen oxides pollution see significant declines in crop yields. This shows that reducing nitrogen oxides pollution is not only good for the climate and for health but also for food security." -Standford News





Clean Air Reform

American Farm Bureau Federation is requesting a database that contains nitrogen oxide levels by county in the U.S. dating back 30 years.

- 1. What are the air pollution trends by each U.S. state and county over the last 30 years?
- 2. What are the nitrogen oxide level trends for each U.S. state and county over the last 30 years?
- 3. Which U.S. counties have a high level of nitrogen oxide in 2023?

Understanding trends and where the highest concentration of nitrogen oxide levels exist will empower the American Farm Bureau Federation and the local farmers to advocate clean air reform.

Ethical Considerations

Transparency

Clearly convey how and where the data was collected, how it will be used and ultimately shared.

Privacy

Ensure participants have guaranteed anonymity.





Extract

Transform Load

United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

Air Data: Air Quality Data Collected at Outdoor Monitors Across the US

30 years of air pollution data across all US counties

https://aqs.epa.gov/aqsweb/airdata/download_files.html

Farm Service Agency (FSA) U.S. Department Of Agriculture

Crop Acreage Data

11 years of farm count within each US county (2013 - 2023)

https://www.fsa.usda.gov/news-room/efoia/electronic-reading-room/frequently-requested-information/crop-acreage-data/index

Assumptions

Extract

- 30 years of data used from Environmental Protection Agency
- 11 years of farm count data was applied to the database from 2013-2023 due to lack of data availability

Transform

- Overlapping datasets are assumed to be accurate, e.g. Farm Service Agency
- Data for Puerto Rico and Virgin Islands excluded from DB
- PostgreSQL utilized to construct DB

Load

No assumptions to consider

ERD

61 CSVs

3 Tables

2,366,774 Total Number of Rows

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Annual AQI By County

PK: County, State, Year

Annual AQI By Monitor

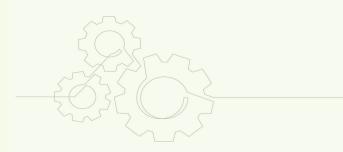
PK: Index

FK: County, State, Year

Total Farms By County

PK: County, State, Year

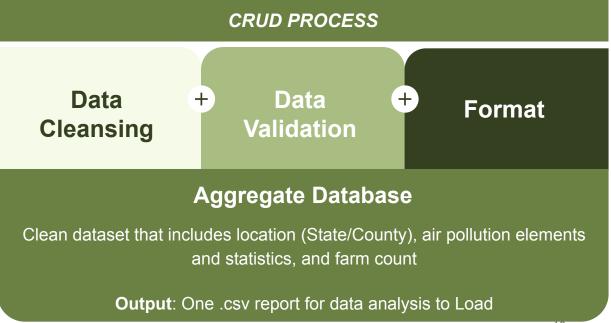
SQL



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CREATE TABLE annual_conc_by_monitor_3 (
         "State Code" VARCHAR(50),
         "County Code" VARCHAR(50),
         "Site Num" VARCHAR(50).
         "Parameter Code" VARCHAR(50),
         "POC" VARCHAR(50),
         "Latitude" FLOAT,
         "Longitude" FLOAT,
         "Datum" VARCHAR(50),
         "Parameter Name" VARCHAR(255),
                                                  --Joining tables on State, County, and Year
         "Sample Duration" VARCHAR(255),
                                                  CREATE TABLE final table AS (
         "Pollutant Standard" VARCHAR(255)
                                                  SELECT * FROM combine agu conc FULL OUTER JOIN farm count 2
         "Metric Used" VARCHAR(255),
                                                  ON combine_aqu_conc.Year_Final = farm_count_2."Year"
         "Method Name" VARCHAR(255),
                                                  AND combine_aqu_conc."State Name" = farm_count_2."State"
                                                  AND combine agu conc. "County Name" = farm count 2. "County");
                                                  --drop duplicate columns to clean up dataset
                                                  ALTER TABLE final table DROP COLUMN "State";
                                                  ALTER TABLE final_table DROP COLUMN "County";
                                                  ALTER TABLE final_table DROP COLUMN "Year";
Data Output Messages Notifications
                                                  ALTER TABLE final table DROP COLUMN "State Code";
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-----Create annual conc monitor table.

Total rows: 1000 of 2366776 Query complete 00:00:19.494

Python

Extract Transform

Load



Pandas Based Library for large datasets

Three Tables 2,366,774 Total Rows

Annual AQI By County

Annual AQI By Monitor

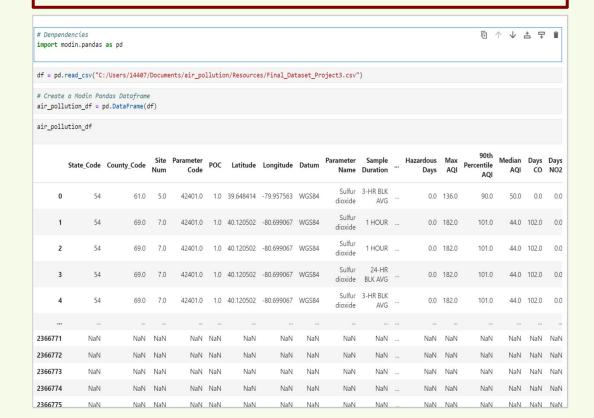
Total Farms By County

Python

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DataFrame



Graphs Maps Charts Stats

#Dependencies import requests %matplotlib inline from pathlib import Path import scipy.stats as stats import numpy as np import matplotlib.pyplot as plt from scipy import stats import hyplot.pandas from statsmodels.stats.proportion import proportions_ztest import warnings

warnings.filterwarnings('ignore')

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