USING TIME SERIES FORECASTING TO ANALYZE HOME PRICES

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BUSINESS CASE

- An investment firm would like to deploy \$500,000 across five different zip codes in single family homes
- They must analyze which zip codes are most suitable to invest in based on their risk/return profile
- Setting out to hold each property for one to three years
- Intend to purchase homes in the immediate to near future as interest rates are at all time lows, prices continue to rise, and supply remains limited

NARROWING THE SEARCH DOWN TO TEXAS

- Favorable tax code no state income tax
- Strong in place industries oil & gas
 - Home to HQ of 24 Fortune 500 companies
- Increasing popularity amongst legacy and new technology companies
 - Especially in Austin and other metros
- Impressive migration statistics
 - Over the pat 10 years, population has increased by 16%, 3rd largest out of all 50 states

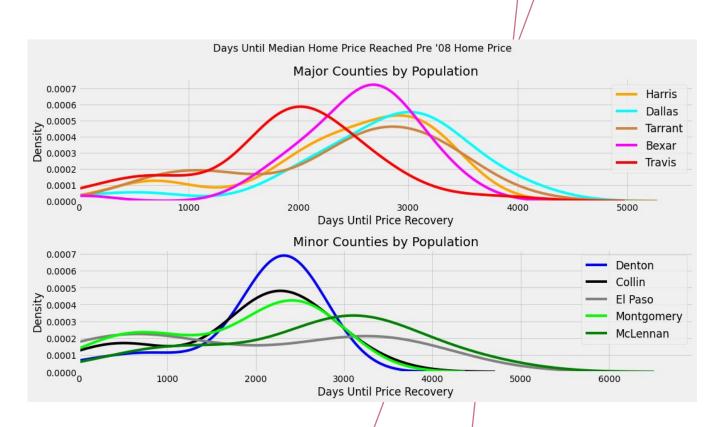


ANALYZING THE TOP METRO AREAS

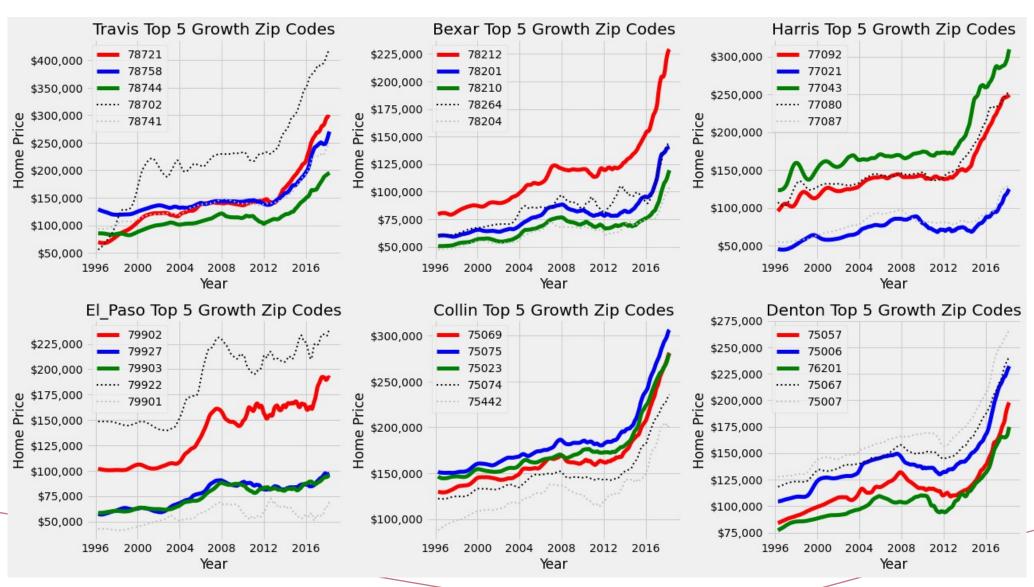
- Begin search by narrowing the state of Texas down to its ten largest metropolitans by population
 - Primary Market: Harris, Dallas, Tarrant, Bexar, Travis,
 - Secondary Market: Denton, Collin, El Paso, Montgomery, McLennan
- Investing in primary and secondary markets because they are both high quality but have slightly different make ups
 - Primary markets: Lower capitalization rate more interest rate risk, stronger migration patterns, more diverse economies
 - Secondary markets: Higher capitalization rate less interest rate risk, lower migration statistics, more concentrated economies
- Next Steps: Observe economic resiliency and growth characteristics

ECONOMIC RESILIENCY

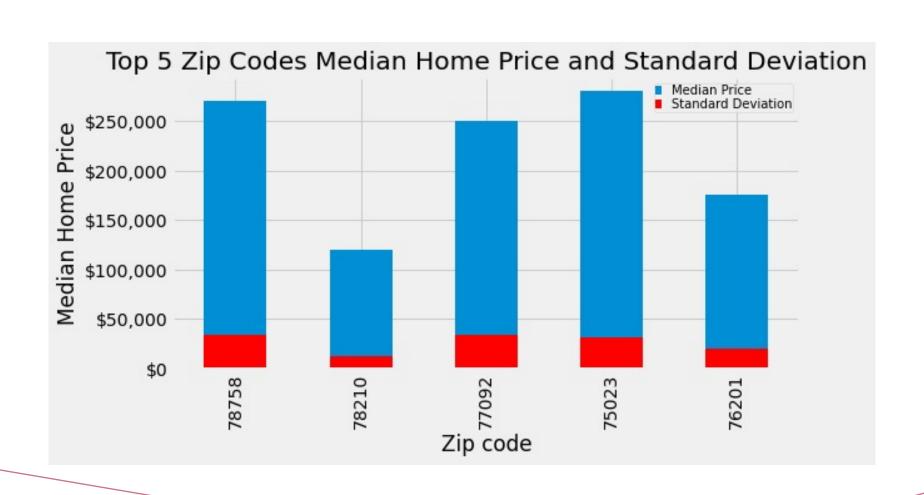
- Use the strength of each zip code's recovery to the 2008 housing crisis as a proxy for economic resiliency
- Seeking zip codes that were minimally impacted and recovered quickly
- Ensure there will be an opportune time to sell within one to three years even if the housing market declines
- Move forward with: Travis, Harris, Bexar, El Paso, Collin, Denton



TOP GROWTH PROSPECTS



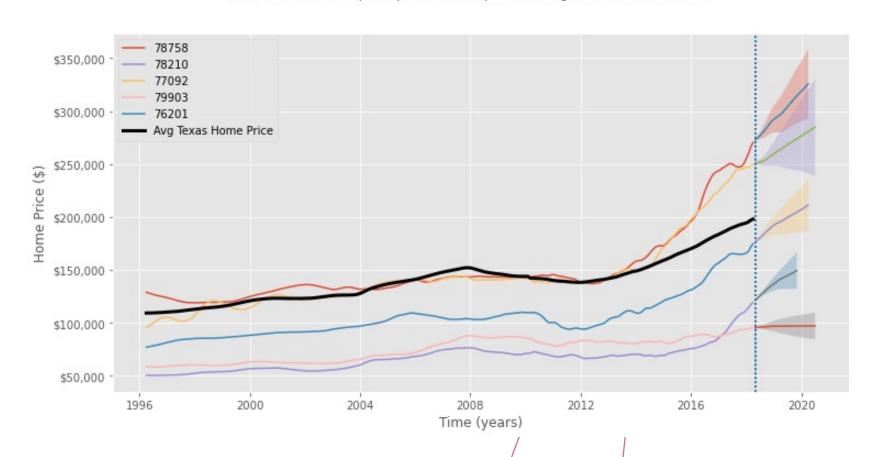
PRICE OF THE TOP ZIP CODES TODAY



TOP ZIP CODES' PROJECTED RETURNS

Annual Return of Top 5 Zip Codes Compared to Avg. Texas Median Home

- Observe the growth rate of the top five zip codes
- Black bar represents the growth of the average zip code in Texas
- Focused on percent change as opposed to absolute increase in dollar amount



ESTIMATED RETURNS

- Hold Period
- Holding until at least May makes a significant difference on overall return
 - Highest marginal return in Nov 2019 and Apr 2020
- \$500,000 invested in May 2018 has a project value of \$687,000 in May 2020
 - 1 year hold 15% return (15% Annualized RoR)
 - 2 year hold 37% return (18.5% Annualized RoR)

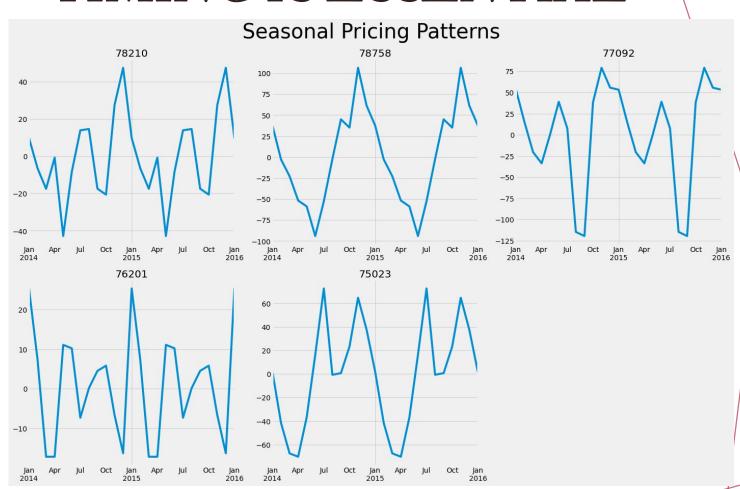


Based on a \$500,000 initial investment spread across five different homes and zip codes

SEASONALITY - TIMING IS ESSENTIAL

Zip Codes

- 78210: Buy in April, sell in December
- 78758: Buy in July, sell in November
- 77092: Buy in July, sell in October
- 76201: Buy in April, sell in January
- 75023: Buy in April, sell in July



THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME

Are there any questions or comments?