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Best Boroughs to Open an Indian Restaurant in San Francisco Bay Area



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Objective:

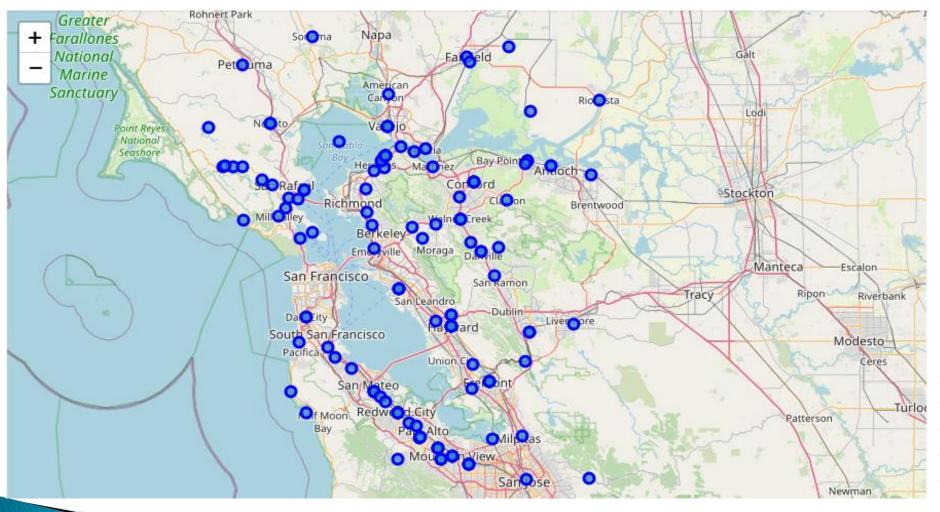
The main objective of the project is to find best boroughs in the San Francisco Bay Area to start a new Indian restaurant business.



Analytic Approach:

- □ Find borough where there are a lot of eateries in the Bay area. Then these boroughs are used as "Center of Attraction" for dining with different food varieties.
- Avoid boroughs with existing Indian restaurants;
- □ Select clusters that are similar to boroughs where Indian restaurants are located.

San Francisco Bay Area Boroughs



- 9 Counties
- 186 ZIP Codes
- 97 Boroughs
- Multicultural
- Tourism attractions

Data sources





https://foursquare.com/

https://datasf.org/opendata/

- The San Francisco Bay Area ZIP codes and PO_NAME are downloaded from DataSF open data website.
 - https://data.sfgov.org/api/views/f9wk-m4qb/rows.csv?accessType=DOWNLOAD
- Dataframe is generated with ZIP codes and PO_NAME by renaming PO_NAME to 'Borough'.
- The geographical coordinates are retrieved for each borough using geocoder.
- Foursquare AIP service is used to explore venues for each borough within 1000 m radius.

San Francisco Bay Area Boroughs vs restaurants, cafes, pubs, bars, cuisines

Top 25 Boroughs with restaurants and cafés:

180
176
160
124
117
81
78
72
66
64
60
60
53
48
46
44
39
38
36
34
32
32
30
30
28

• Top 25 borough with restaurants, cafes, pubs, bars, cuisines in the Bay area.

Boroughs with No Indian restaurants

Borough

SAN FRANCISCO 81

PALO ALTO 60

SAN MATEO 60

LOS ALTOS 44

DALY CITY 38

MENLO PARK 34

PLEASANT HILL 30

VALLEJO 28

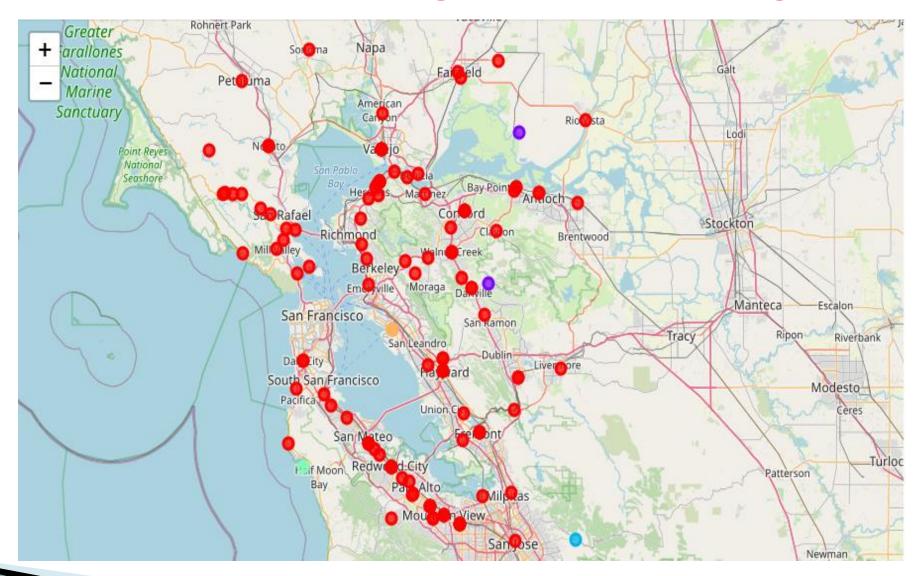
- There are 52 well-known Indian restaurants in the Bay area boroughs within 1000 m radius from geographical coordinates.
- There are 8 boroughs with no Indian restaurants out of top 25 boroughs with restaurants, cafes, bars, pubs, cuisines in the Bay area.

Top 10 venues for each borough

	Borough	1st Most Common Venue	2nd Most Common Venue	3rd Most Common Venue	4th Most Common Venue	5th Most Common Venue	6th Most Common Venue	7th Most Common Venue	8th Most Common Venue	9th Most Common Venue	10th Most Common Venue
0	ALAMEDA	Coffee Shop	Beach	Pool	Skating Rink	Gastropub	Grocery Store	Marijuana Dispensary	Gym / Fitness Center	Arts & Crafts Store	Harbor / Marina
1	ALAMO	Coffee Shop	Pharmacy	Pizza Place	American Restaurant	Sandwich Place	Bank	Fast Food Restaurant	New American Restaurant	Gas Station	Chinese Restaurant
2	ALBANY	Thai Restaurant	Coffee Shop	Pizza Place	Sporting Goods Shop	Indian Restaurant	Pet Store	Mexican Restaurant	Café	Bar	Brewery
3	ALVISO	Food Truck	Hotel	Mexican Restaurant	Hotel Bar	Coffee Shop	Bar	Electronics Store	Café	Gym	Trail
4	AMERICAN CANYON	Park	ATM	Pharmacy	Pizza Place	Chinese Restaurant	Shopping Mall	Convenience Store	Hotel	Brewery	Thrift / Vintage Store

• There are 353 unique venue categories.

K-means clustering: similar boroughs



Results

- DALY CITY, MENLO PARK and PLEASANT HILL are the best boroughs for a new Indian restaurant business in the San Francisco Bay Area.
- DALY CITY, MENLO PARK and PLEASANT HILL boroughs are similar to boroughs where existing Indian restaurants are located.

Conclusions

The best boroughs to open an Indian restaurant in the Bay area are:

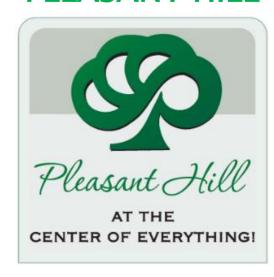
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MENLO PARK



PLEASANT HILL



Thank You