# **Housing Rental Analysis for San Francisco**

In this challenge, your job is to use your data visualization skills, including aggregation, interactive visualizations, and geospatial analysis, to find properties in the San Francisco market that are viable investment opportunities.

#### **Instructions**

Use the san\_francisco\_housing.ipynb notebook to visualize and analyze the real-estate data.

Note that this assignment requires you to create a visualization by using hvPlot and GeoViews. Additionally, you need to read the sfo\_neighborhoods\_census\_data.csv file from the Resources folder into the notebook and create the DataFrame that you'll use in the analysis.

The main task in this Challenge is to visualize and analyze the real-estate data in your Jupyter notebook. Use the san\_francisco\_housing.ipynb notebook to complete the following tasks:

- Calculate and plot the housing units per year.
- Calculate and plot the average prices per square foot.
- Compare the average prices by neighborhood.
- Build an interactive neighborhood map.
- Compose your data story.

#### Calculate and Plot the Housing Units per Year

For this part of the assignment, use numerical and visual aggregation to calculate the number of housing units per year, and then visualize the results as a bar chart. To do so, complete the following steps:

1. Use the groupby function to group the data by year. Aggregate the results by the mean of the groups.

- 2. Use the hvplot function to plot the housing\_units\_by\_year DataFrame as a bar chart. Make the x-axis represent the year and the y-axis represent the housing\_units .
- 3. Style and format the line plot to ensure a professionally styled visualization.
- 4. Note that your resulting plot should appear similar to the following image:
- A screenshot depicts an example of the resulting bar chart.
  - 1. Answer the following question:
    - What's the overall trend in housing units over the period that you're analyzing?

#### Calculate and Plot the Average Sale Prices per Square Foot

For this part of the assignment, use numerical and visual aggregation to calculate the average prices per square foot, and then visualize the results as a bar chart. To do so, complete the following steps:

- 1. Group the data by year, and then average the results. What's the lowest gross rent that's reported for the years that the DataFrame includes?
- 2. Create a new DataFrame named prices\_square\_foot\_by\_year by filtering out the "housing\_units" column. The new DataFrame should include the averages per year for only the sale price per square foot and the gross rent.
- 3. Use hvPlot to plot the prices\_square\_foot\_by\_year DataFrame as a line plot.
  - **Hint** This single plot will include lines for both sale\_price\_sqr\_foot and gross\_rent.
- 4. Style and format the line plot to ensure a professionally styled visualization.
- 5. Note that your resulting plot should appear similar to the following image:
- A screenshot depicts an example of the resulting plot.
  - 1. Use both the prices square foot by year DataFrame and interactive plots to answer the following questions:
    - Did any year experience a drop in the average sale price per square foot compared to the previous year?

• If so, did the gross rent increase or decrease during that year?

#### Compare the Average Sale Prices by Neighborhood

For this part of the assignment, use interactive visualizations and widgets to explore the average sale price per square foot by neighborhood. To do so, complete the following steps:

- 1. Create a new DataFrame that groups the original DataFrame by year and neighborhood. Aggregate the results by the mean of the groups.
- 2. Filter out the "housing\_units" column to create a DataFrame that includes only the sale\_price\_sqr\_foot and gross\_rent averages per year.
- 3. Create an interactive line plot with hvPlot that visualizes both sale\_price\_sqr\_foot and gross\_rent . Set the x-axis parameter to the year ( x="year" ). Use the groupby parameter to create an interactive widget for neighborhood .
- 4. Style and format the line plot to ensure a professionally styled visualization.
- 5. Note that your resulting plot should appear similar to the following image:
- A screenshot depicts an example of the resulting plot.
  - 1. Use the interactive visualization to answer the following question:
    - For the Anza Vista neighborhood, is the average sale price per square foot for 2016 more or less than the price that's listed for 2012?

#### **Build an Interactive Neighborhood Map**

For this part of the assignment, explore the geospatial relationships in the data by using interactive visualizations with hvPlot and GeoViews. To build your map, use the sfo\_data\_df DataFrame (created during the initial import), which includes the neighborhood location data with the average prices. To do all this, complete the following steps:

1. Read the neighborhood\_coordinates.csv file from the Resources folder into the notebook, and create a DataFrame named neighborhood\_locations\_df . Be sure to set the index\_col of the DataFrame as "Neighborhood".

- 2. Using the original sfo\_data\_df Dataframe, create a DataFrame named all\_neighborhood\_info\_df that groups the data by neighborhood. Aggregate the results by the mean of the group.
- 3. Review the two code cells that concatenate the neighborhood\_locations\_df DataFrame with the all\_neighborhood\_info\_df DataFrame. Note that the first cell uses the Pandas concat function to create a DataFrame named all\_neighborhoods\_df. The second cell cleans the data and sets the "Neighborhood" column. Be sure to run these cells to create the all\_neighborhoods\_df DataFrame, which you'll need to create the geospatial visualization.
- 4. Using hvPlot with GeoViews enabled, create a points plot for the all\_neighborhoods\_df DataFrame. Be sure to do the following:
  - Set the geo parameter to True.
  - Set the size parameter to "sale\_price\_sqr\_foot".
  - Set the color parameter to "gross\_rent".
  - Set the frame width parameter to 700.
  - Set the frame\_height parameter to 500.
  - Include a descriptive title.

Note that your resulting plot should appear similar to the following image:

- A screenshot depicts an example of a scatter plot created with hvPlot and GeoViews.
  - 1. Use the interactive map to answer the following question:
    - Which neighborhood has the highest gross rent, and which has the highest sale price per square foot?

#### **Compose Your Data Story**

Based on the visualizations that you created, answer the following questions:

- How does the trend in rental income growth compare to the trend in sales prices? Does this same trend hold true for all the neighborhoods across San Francisco?
- What insights can you share with your company about the potential one-click, buy-and-rent strategy that they're pursuing? Do neighborhoods exist that you would suggest for investment, and why?

```
In [1]: # Import the required libraries and dependencies
   import pandas as pd
   import hyplot.pandas
   from pathlib import Path
```

# Import the data

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In [2]: # Using the read_csv function and Path module, create a DataFrame
# by importing the sfo_neighborhoods_census_data.csv file from the Resources folder
sfo_data_df = pd.read_csv(Path("Resources/sfo_neighborhoods_census_data.csv")).drop_duplicates()

# Review the first and last five rows of the DataFrame
display(sfo_data_df.head())
display(sfo_data_df.tail())
```

	year	neighborhood	sale_price_sqr_foot	housing_units	gross_rent
0	2010	Alamo Square	291.182945	372560	1239
1	2010	Anza Vista	267.932583	372560	1239
2	2010	Bayview	170.098665	372560	1239
3	2010	Buena Vista Park	347.394919	372560	1239
4	2010	Central Richmond	319.027623	372560	1239

	year	neighborhood	sale_price_sqr_foot	housing_units	gross_rent
392	2016	Telegraph Hill	903.049771	384242	4390
393	2016	Twin Peaks	970.085470	384242	4390
394	2016	Van Ness/ Civic Center	552.602567	384242	4390
395	2016	Visitacion Valley	328.319007	384242	4390
396	2016	Westwood Park	631.195426	384242	4390

# Calculate and Plot the Housing Units per Year

For this part of the assignment, use numerical and visual aggregation to calculate the number of housing units per year, and then visualize the results as a bar chart. To do so, complete the following steps:

- 1. Use the groupby function to group the data by year. Aggregate the results by the mean of the groups.
- 2. Use the hvplot function to plot the housing\_units\_by\_year DataFrame as a bar chart. Make the x-axis represent the year and the y-axis represent the housing units .
- 3. Style and format the line plot to ensure a professionally styled visualization.
- 4. Note that your resulting plot should appear similar to the following image:
- A screenshot depicts an example of the resulting bar chart.
  - 1. Answer the following question:
    - What's the overall trend in housing units over the period that you're analyzing?

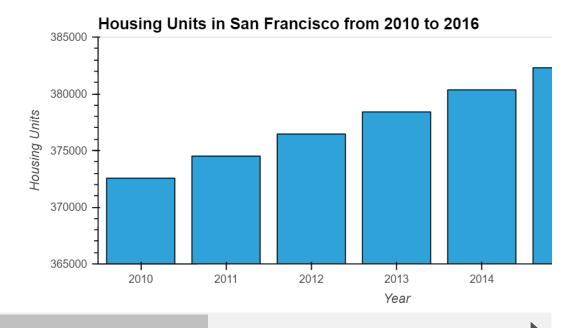
# Step 1: Use the groupby function to group the data by year. Aggregate the results by the mean of the groups.

```
# Create a numerical aggregation that groups the data by the year and then averages the results.
        housing units by year = sfo data df.groupby('year')['housing units'].mean()
        # Review the DataFrame
        housing units by year
        year
Out[3]:
        2010
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        2011
                374507.0
        2012
                376454.0
        2013
                378401.0
        2014
                380348.0
        2015
                382295.0
        2016
                384242.0
        Name: housing units, dtype: float64
```

Step 2: Use the hvplot function to plot the housing\_units\_by\_year DataFrame as a bar chart. Make the x-axis represent the year and the y-axis represent the housing\_units.

Step 3: Style and format the line plot to ensure a professionally styled visualization.





Step 5: Answer the following question:

**Question:** What is the overall trend in housing\_units over the period being analyzed?

**Answer:** Positive trends. Average housing units increased each year.

### Calculate and Plot the Average Sale Prices per Square Foot

For this part of the assignment, use numerical and visual aggregation to calculate the average prices per square foot, and then visualize the results as a bar chart. To do so, complete the following steps:

- 1. Group the data by year, and then average the results. What's the lowest gross rent that's reported for the years that the DataFrame includes?
- 2. Create a new DataFrame named prices\_square\_foot\_by\_year by filtering out the "housing\_units" column. The new DataFrame should include the averages per year for only the sale price per square foot and the gross rent.
- 3. Use hvPlot to plot the prices\_square\_foot\_by\_year DataFrame as a line plot.

**Hint** This single plot will include lines for both sale\_price\_sqr\_foot and gross\_rent.

- 4. Style and format the line plot to ensure a professionally styled visualization.
- 5. Note that your resulting plot should appear similar to the following image:
- A screenshot depicts an example of the resulting plot.
  - 1. Use both the prices\_square\_foot\_by\_year DataFrame and interactive plots to answer the following questions:
    - Did any year experience a drop in the average sale price per square foot compared to the previous year?
    - If so, did the gross rent increase or decrease during that year?

### Step 1: Group the data by year, and then average the results.

# Review the resulting DataFrame	
<pre>display(prices_square_foot_by_year.head(10))</pre>	

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2010	369.344353	372560.0	1239.0
2011	341.903429	374507.0	1530.0
2012	399.389968	376454.0	2324.0
2013	483.600304	378401.0	2971.0
2014	556.277273	380348.0	3528.0
2015	632.540352	382295.0	3739.0
2016	697.643709	384242.0	4390.0

sale price sar foot housing units gross rent

**Question:** What is the lowest gross rent reported for the years included in the DataFrame?

**Answer:** # 2010

Step 2: Create a new DataFrame named prices\_square\_foot\_by\_year by filtering out the "housing\_units" column. The new DataFrame should include the averages per year for only the sale price per square foot and the gross rent.

#### sale\_price\_sqr\_foot gross\_rent

year		
2010	369.344353	1239.0
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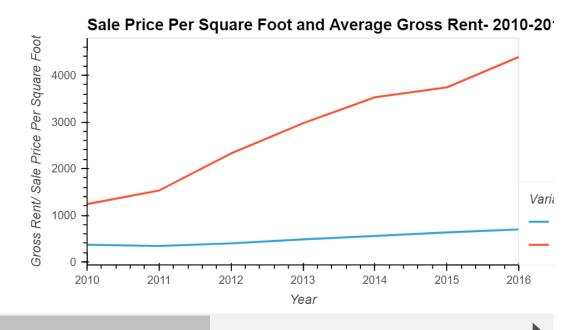
### Step 3: Use hvPlot to plot the prices\_square\_foot\_by\_year DataFrame as a line plot.

**Hint** This single plot will include lines for both sale\_price\_sqr\_foot and gross\_rent

### Step 4: Style and format the line plot to ensure a professionally styled visualization.

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In [7]: # Plot prices_square_foot_by_year.
# Inclued Labels for the x- and y-axes, and a title.
prices_square_foot_by_year.hvplot.line(
    x="year",
    y=["sale_price_sqr_foot", "gross_rent"],
    title='Sale Price Per Square Foot and Average Gross Rent- 2010-2016 - San Francisco',
    xlabel="Year",
    ylabel="Gross Rent/ Sale Price Per Square Foot"
).opts(
    yformatter='%.0f'
)
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Out[7]:



Step 6: Use both the prices\_square\_foot\_by\_year DataFrame and interactive plots to answer the following questions:

Question: Did any year experience a drop in the average sale price per square foot compared to the previous year?

**Answer:** # 2011

Question: If so, did the gross rent increase or decrease during that year?

**Answer:** # Increase

# Compare the Average Sale Prices by Neighborhood

For this part of the assignment, use interactive visualizations and widgets to explore the average sale price per square foot by neighborhood. To do so, complete the following steps:

- 1. Create a new DataFrame that groups the original DataFrame by year and neighborhood. Aggregate the results by the mean of the groups.
- 2. Filter out the "housing\_units" column to create a DataFrame that includes only the sale\_price\_sqr\_foot and gross\_rent averages per year.
- 3. Create an interactive line plot with hvPlot that visualizes both sale\_price\_sqr\_foot and gross\_rent . Set the x-axis parameter to the year ( x="year" ). Use the groupby parameter to create an interactive widget for neighborhood .
- 4. Style and format the line plot to ensure a professionally styled visualization.
- 5. Note that your resulting plot should appear similar to the following image:
- A screenshot depicts an example of the resulting plot.
  - 1. Use the interactive visualization to answer the following question:
    - For the Anza Vista neighborhood, is the average sale price per square foot for 2016 more or less than the price that's listed for 2012?

# Step 1: Create a new DataFrame that groups the original DataFrame by year and neighborhood. Aggregate the results by the mean of the groups.

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In [8]: # Group by year and neighborhood and then create a new dataframe of the mean values
prices_by_year_by_neighborhood = sfo_data_df.groupby(['year','neighborhood']).mean()

# Review the DataFrame
prices_by_year_by_neighborhood.head(10)
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	Bayview	170.098665	372560.0	1239.0
	Buena Vista Park	347.394919	372560.0	1239.0
	Central Richmond	319.027623	372560.0	1239.0

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**Central Sunset** 

**Corona Heights** 

**Croker Amazon** 

**Diamond Heights** 

**Cow Hollow** 

sale\_price\_sqr\_foot housing\_units gross\_rent

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Step 2: Filter out the "housing\_units" column to create a DataFrame that includes only the sale\_price\_sqr\_foot and gross\_rent averages per year.

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```
In [9]: # Filter out the housing_units
prices_by_year_by_neighborhood = prices_by_year_by_neighborhood.drop('housing_units' , axis=1)

# Review the first and last five rows of the DataFrame
display(prices_by_year_by_neighborhood.head())
display(prices_by_year_by_neighborhood.tail())
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	Anza Vista	267.932583	1239.0
	Bayview	170.098665	1239.0
	Buena Vista Park	347.394919	1239.0
	<b>Central Richmond</b>	319.027623	1239.0

#### sale\_price\_sqr\_foot gross\_rent

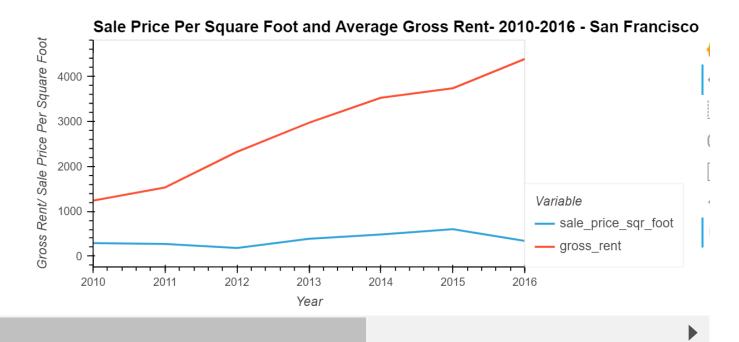
year	neighborhood		
2016	Telegraph Hill	903.049771	4390.0
	Twin Peaks	970.085470	4390.0
	Van Ness/ Civic Center	552.602567	4390.0
	Visitacion Valley	328.319007	4390.0
	Westwood Park	631.195426	4390.0

Step 3: Create an interactive line plot with hvPlot that visualizes both sale\_price\_sqr\_foot and gross\_rent. Set the x-axis parameter to the year (x="year"). Use the groupby parameter to create an interactive widget for neighborhood.

Step 4: Style and format the line plot to ensure a professionally styled visualization.

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#### Step 6: Use the interactive visualization to answer the following question:

**Question:** For the Anza Vista neighborhood, is the average sale price per square foot for 2016 more or less than the price that's listed for 2012?

**Answer:** # sale price per square foot in 2016 is less than 2012 price.

# **Build an Interactive Neighborhood Map**

For this part of the assignment, explore the geospatial relationships in the data by using interactive visualizations with hvPlot and GeoViews. To build your map, use the sfo\_data\_df DataFrame (created during the initial import), which includes the neighborhood location data with the average prices. To do all this, complete the following steps:

- 1. Read the neighborhood\_coordinates.csv file from the Resources folder into the notebook, and create a DataFrame named neighborhood\_locations\_df . Be sure to set the index\_col of the DataFrame as "Neighborhood".
- 2. Using the original sfo\_data\_df Dataframe, create a DataFrame named all\_neighborhood\_info\_df that groups the data by neighborhood. Aggregate the results by the mean of the group.
- 3. Review the two code cells that concatenate the neighborhood\_locations\_df DataFrame with the all\_neighborhood\_info\_df DataFrame. Note that the first cell uses the Pandas concat function to create a DataFrame named all\_neighborhoods\_df. The second cell cleans the data and sets the "Neighborhood" column. Be sure to run these cells to create the all\_neighborhoods\_df DataFrame, which you'll need to create the geospatial visualization.
- 4. Using hvPlot with GeoViews enabled, create a points plot for the all\_neighborhoods\_df DataFrame. Be sure to do the following:
  - Set the size parameter to "sale\_price\_sqr\_foot".
  - Set the color parameter to "gross\_rent".
  - Set the size\_max parameter to "25".
  - Set the zoom parameter to "11".

Note that your resulting plot should appear similar to the following image:

- A screenshot depicts an example of a scatter plot created with hvPlot and GeoViews.
  - 1. Use the interactive map to answer the following question:
    - Which neighborhood has the highest gross rent, and which has the highest sale price per square foot?

Step 1: Read the neighborhood\_coordinates.csv file from the Resources folder into the notebook, and create a DataFrame named neighborhood\_locations\_df. Be sure to set the index\_col of the DataFrame as "Neighborhood".

Step 2: Using the original sfo\_data\_df Dataframe, create a DataFrame named all\_neighborhood\_info\_df that groups the data by neighborhood. Aggregate the results by the mean of the group.

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# Calculate the mean values for each neighborhood
In [12]:
          all neighborhood info df = sfo data df.groupby('neighborhood').mean().drop('year', axis=1)
          # Review the resulting DataFrame
          all neighborhood info df.head()
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            Bernal Heights
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Step 3: Review the two code cells that concatenate the neighborhood\_locations\_df

#### DataFrame with the all\_neighborhood\_info\_df DataFrame.

Note that the first cell uses the Pandas concat function to create a DataFrame named all\_neighborhoods\_df.

The second cell cleans the data and sets the "Neighborhood" column.

Be sure to run these cells to create the all\_neighborhoods\_df DataFrame, which you'll need to create the geospatial visualization.

```
In [13]: # Using the Pandas `concat` function, join the
    # neighborhood_locations_df and the all_neighborhood_info_df DataFrame
    # The axis of the concatenation is "columns".
    # The concat function will automatially combine columns with
    # identical information, while keeping the additional columns.
    all_neighborhoods_df = pd.concat(
        [neighborhood_locations_df, all_neighborhood_info_df],
        axis="columns",
        sort=False
)

# Review the resulting DataFrame
display(all_neighborhoods_df.head())
display(all_neighborhoods_df.tail())
```

	Lat	Lon	sale_price_sqr_foot	housing_units	gross_rent
Alamo Square	37.791012	-122.402100	366.020712	378401.0	2817.285714
Anza Vista	37.779598	-122.443451	373.382198	379050.0	3031.833333
Bayview	37.734670	-122.401060	204.588623	376454.0	2318.400000
<b>Bayview Heights</b>	37.728740	-122.410980	590.792839	382295.0	3739.000000
Bernal Heights	37.728630	-122.443050	NaN	NaN	NaN

	Lat	Lon	sale_price_sqr_foot	housing_units	gross_rent
Yerba Buena	37.79298	-122.39636	576.709848	377427.5	2555.166667
Bernal Heights	NaN	NaN	576.746488	379374.5	3080.333333
Downtown	NaN	NaN	391.434378	378401.0	2817.285714
Ingleside	NaN	NaN	367.895144	377427.5	2509.000000
Outer Richmond	NaN	NaN	473.900773	378401.0	2817.285714

```
In [14]: # Call the dropna function to remove any neighborhoods that do not have data
all_neighborhoods_df = all_neighborhoods_df.reset_index().dropna()

# Rename the "index" column as "Neighborhood" for use in the Visualization
all_neighborhoods_df = all_neighborhoods_df.rename(columns={"index": "Neighborhood"})

# Review the resulting DataFrame
display(all_neighborhoods_df.head())
display(all_neighborhoods_df.tail())
```

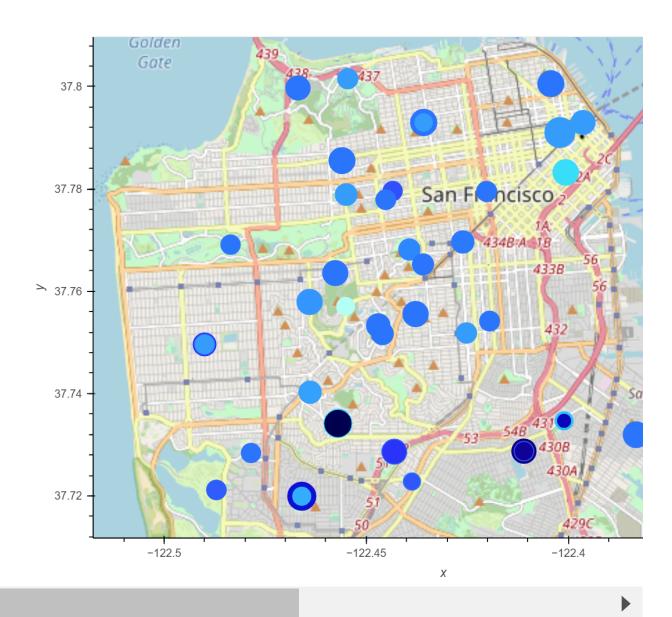
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0	Alamo Square	37.791012	-122.402100	366.020712	378401.0	2817.285714
1	Anza Vista	37.779598	-122.443451	373.382198	379050.0	3031.833333
2	Bayview	37.734670	-122.401060	204.588623	376454.0	2318.400000
3	Bayview Heights	37.728740	-122.410980	590.792839	382295.0	3739.000000
5	Buena Vista Park	37.768160	-122.439330	452.680591	378076.5	2698.833333

	Neighborhood	Lat	Lon	sale_price_sqr_foot	housing_units	gross_rent
68	West Portal	37.74026	-122.463880	498.488485	376940.75	2515.500000
69	Western Addition	37.79298	-122.435790	307.562201	377427.50	2555.166667
70	Westwood Highlands	37.73470	-122.456854	533.703935	376454.00	2250.500000
71	Westwood Park	37.73415	-122.457000	687.087575	382295.00	3959.000000
72	Yerba Buena	37.79298	-122.396360	576.709848	377427.50	2555.166667

# Step 4: Using hvPlot with GeoViews enabled, create a points plot for the all\_neighborhoods\_df DataFrame. Be sure to do the following:

- Set the geo parameter to True.
- Set the size parameter to "sale\_price\_sqr\_foot".
- Set the color parameter to "gross\_rent".
- Set the frame\_width parameter to 700.
- Set the frame\_height parameter to 500.
- Include a descriptive title.





# Step 5: Use the interactive map to answer the following question:

Question: Which neighborhood has the highest gross rent, and which has the highest sale price per square foot?

Answer: # Highest Gross Rent: Westwood Park --- Highest Sale Price per Square Foot: Union Square District

# **Compose Your Data Story**

Based on the visualizations that you have created, compose a data story that synthesizes your analysis by answering the following questions:

**Question:** How does the trend in rental income growth compare to the trend in sales prices? Does this same trend hold true for all the neighborhoods across San Francisco?

**Answer:** # Overall rental income and sale price have a positive trend, but rental income growth has better performance and trend. This rate and performance are not the same for all the neighborhoods and changed over some years.

**Question:** What insights can you share with your company about the potential one-click, buy-and-rent strategy that they're pursuing? Do neighborhoods exist that you would suggest for investment, and why?

**Answer:** # The buy-and-rent strategy has the best performance when we find locations with maximum sale price growth and rent income growth. Fortunately in the GeoView map, we have areas that meet these situations and we can offer to investors.

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