COURSERA CAPSTONE PROJECT

THE BRAZILIAN RESTAURANT IN NEW YORK

A tour of the prospects and characteristics of the New York, the city chosen for our new business!

INTRODUCTION

This project was inspired by the requirements of week 4 of the Course Applied Data Science Capstone. It presents an analysis of the New York region, based on data from the Foursquare API. The main objective is to find nice places for a new brazilian restaurant in New York.

New York, USA

Safety requirements

Business requirements

Best neighboorhood

A brazilian stakeholder wants to start his own restaurant brand and as such has chosen New York City as his prime location for his first business outside Brazil. The location has its own set of risks. His requirements for the new estaurant is a safe place and it needs to be family friendly, as that is at the core of his success in Brazil. The cuisine he specialises in is a unique mixture of Brazilian classics such as barbecue, fried fish, feijoada etc., infused with recipes derived from local demographics. In other words, he opens his restaurants in areas with a high number of immigrants

and chooses to give the local dishes an extra kick with select herbs and spices which represent the fabric of local communities.

The restaurant reflects the culinary diversity of Brazil: it's cuisine, festive culture and hospitality. It needs to be spacious and inviting, featuring a large bar, and two private parties rooms that accommodate up to 100 guests. Also the menu features includes steaks, exotic salads, vegetarian pastas, seafood, brazilian barbecue and more.

IDEA DEVELOPMENT

Problem formulation

As I mentioned before, the location has to be in a safe area. Ideally, it would be on an intersection as that would give his restaurant the most visibility. However, the intersection should be in a borough with the least amount of vehicle collisions. Once the location has been deemed to be safe, an overview of the existing restaurants, and more importantly, the cuisines they cater to will be completed such that a brazilian restaurant can formulate the exact recipes which will make his restaurant a success story.



Data Source and usage

The predominant data source comes from the NYC Open Data page and can be found in their official site. Vehicle collisions range from 2012 to 2019 and list the location coordinates (longitude and latitude) as well as the contributing factors from both vehicles in the collision.

- 1) The data will be cleaned, analysed and presented as a chart which shows the borough with the least amount of collisions.
- 2) The contributing factors will be presented to have an overview of the factors responsible for the collisions.

3) Time permitting, an optional analysis would be conducted on the biggest contributing factors to get an in-depth look in the fabric of societal, social and economic issues which were responsible for the contributing factors.

The second source of data is also freely available from NYU. It gives the names of neighborhoods in New York City and also can be found on their site.

Foursquare location data about restaurants in neighborhoods will be essential to determine which kind of business already exist in different boroughs. This will be used by the stakeholder to make new recipes and select the place to set up his new business.

Location security

What is the best neighborhood to start a new reataurant in New York?

The traffic collision data was accessed to determine the safest neighborhood in terms of collisions. It's a way to search for a safe place.

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Data columns (total 29 columns)
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collision id
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contributing factor vehicle 2
contributing factor vehicle 3
contributing factor vehicle 4
contributing factor vehicle 5
crash date
crash time
cross street name
latitude
location
longitude
number of cyclist injured
number of cyclist killed
number of motorist injured
number of motorist killed
number of pedestrians injured
number of pedestrians killed
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vehicle type code 5
zip code
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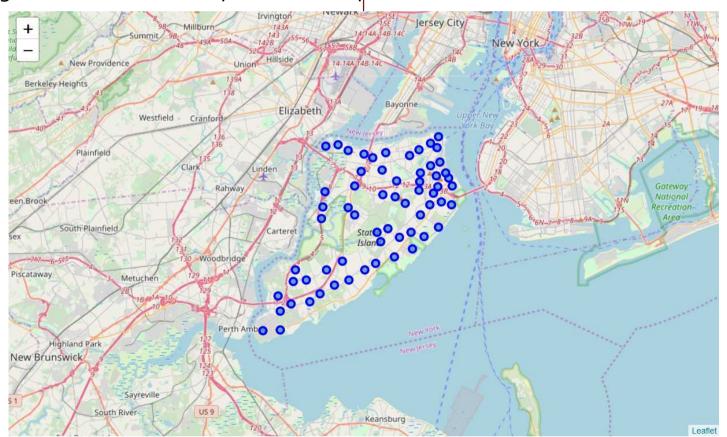
Staten Island has the lowlest levels of car accidents. We choose this borough.

STATEN ISLAND Backing Unsafely
Driver Inattention/Distraction
Failure to Yield Right-of-Way
Following Too Closely
Other Vehicular
Passing Too Closely
Traffic Control Disregarded
Unsafe Lane Changing
Unspecified

BROOKLYN 204
QUEENS 177
MANHATTAN 147
BRONX 98
STATEN ISLAND 18
Name: borough, dtype: int64

Best borough

Using the New York City data, the borough of Staten Island was isolated and neighborhoods were analysed to find a potential venue for a brazilian restaurant.



Neighborhood: most common venues

Prior to clustering the neighborhoods, we have the list of most common venues for all neighborhoods.

	Neighborhood	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 Con
0	Annadale	American Restaurant	Pizza nt Place	Sports Bar	Liquor Store	Diner	Restaurant	Dance Studio	Train Station	Asian Restaurant	Falafel Restaura
1	Arden Heights	Deli / Bodega	Home Service	Pizza Place	Coffee Shop	Pharmacy	Dog Run	Event Space	Food	Flower Shop	Fish & C Shop
2	Arlington	Bus Stop	American Restaurant	Coffee Shop	Business Service	Deli / Bodega	Hotel	Hotel Event Service		Flower Shop	Fish & C Shop
3	Arrochar	Deli / Bodega	Italian Restaurant	Pizza Place	Bus Stop	Hotel	Mediterranean Restaurant			Outdoors & Recreation	Food Tru
4	Bay Terrace	Supermarket	Insurance Office	Salon / Barbershop	Sushi Restaurant	Donut Shop	Liquor Store	Shipping Store	Plaza	Italian Restaurant	Discount Store
5	Bloomfield	Recreation Center	Discount Store	Bus Stop	Theme Park	Park	Diner	Falafel Restaurant	Food	Dessert Shop	Flower S
6	Bulls Head	Pizza Place	Bus Stop	Chinese Restaurant	Pharmacy	Ice Cream Shop	Deli / Bodega	Food Truck	Japanese Restaurant	Grocery Store	Mobile P Shop
7	Butler Manor	Pool	Baseball Field	Convenience Store	Yoga Studio	Event Space	Food & Drink Shop	Food	Flower Shop	Fish & Chips Shop	Filipino Restaura
8	Castleton Corners	Pizza Place	Japanese Restaurant	Bagel Shop	Mini Golf	Tattoo Parlor	Grocery Store	Bank	Sandwich Place	Park	Burger J
9	Charleston	Big Box Store	Cosmetics Shop	Japanese Restaurant	Gift Shop	Scenic Lookout	Pizza Place	Pet Store	Music Venue	Liquor Store	Kids Stor
10	Chelsea	Steakhouse	Italian Restaurant	Bus Stop	Spanish Restaurant	Sandwich Place	Park	Theater	Event Service	Flower Shop	Fish & C Shop

Inside boroughs: clustering

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18	Annadale	American Restaurant	Pizza Place	Sports Bar	Liquor Store	Diner	Restaurant	Dance Studio	Train Station	Asian Restaurant	Falafel Restaurant
22	Silver Lake	American Restaurant	Dance Studio	Burger Joint	Dog Run	Golf Course	Falafel Restaurant	Food & Drink Shop	Food	Flower Shop	Fish & Chips Shop

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1	New Brighton	Bus Stop	Deli / Bodega	Park	Daycare	Bowling Alley	Discount Store	Playground	Falafel Restaurant	Food	Flower Shop
5	Grymes Hill	Bus Stop	Dog Run	Yoga Studio	Event Space	Food & Drink Shop	Food	Flower Shop	Fish & Chips Shop	Filipino Restaurant	Fast Food Restaurant
27	Arlington	Bus Stop	American Restaurant	Coffee Shop	Business Service	Deli / Bodega	Hotel	Event Service	Food	Flower Shop	Fish & Chips Shop
52	Randall Manor	Bus Stop	Bagel Shop	Carpet Store	Yoga Studio	Falafel Restaurant	Food & Drink Shop	Food	Flower Shop	Fish & Chips Shop	Filipino Restaurant
56	Willowbrook	Bus Stop	Deli / Bodega	Spa	Pizza Place	Bagel Shop	Event Space	Food	Flower Shop	Fish & Chips Shop	Filipino Restaurant

Inside boroughs: clustering

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51	Emerson Hill	Food	Historic Site	Yoga Studio	Event Service	Food & Drink Shop	Flower Shop	Fish & Chips Shop	Filipino Restaurant	Fast Food Restaurant	Farmers Market

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0	St. George	Clothing Store	Sporting Goods Shop	Bar	Deli / Bodega	Italian Restaurant	Pharmacy	Burger Joint	Monument / Landmark	Farmers Market	Scenic Lookout
2	Stapleton	Discount Store	Café	Pizza Place	Mexican Restaurant	Sandwich Place	Bank	Restaurant	Motorcycle Shop	Skate Park	Spanish Restaura
3	Rosebank	Pizza Place	Grocery Store	Italian Restaurant	Electronics Store	Filipino Restaurant	Sandwich Place	Breakfast Spot	Storage Facility	Restaurant	Martial A Dojo
4	West Brighton	Coffee Shop	Pharmacy	Music Store	Bank	Bar	Breakfast Spot	Italian Restaurant	Cosmetics Shop	Fast Food Restaurant	Mexican Restaura
7	South Beach	Beach	Pier	Deli / Bodega	Athletics & Sports	Falafel Restaurant	Food Truck	Food & Drink Shop	Food	Flower Shop	Fish & C Shop
8	Port Richmond	Rental Car Location	Sports Bar	Playground	Donut Shop	Park	Yoga Studio	Event Service	Flower Shop	Fish & Chips Shop	Filipino Restaura
9	Mariner's Harbor	Deli / Bodega	Italian Restaurant	Bus Stop	Other Repair Shop	Insurance Office	Event Space	Food	Flower Shop	Fish & Chips Shop	Filipino Restaura
11	Castleton Corners	Pizza Place	Japanese Restaurant	Bagel Shop	Mini Golf	Tattoo Parlor	Grocery Store	Bank	Sandwich Place	Park	Burger J
12	New Springville	Pizza Place	Deli / Bodega	Health & Beauty Service	Coffee Shop	Mexican Restaurant	Pharmacy	Hookah Bar	Donut Shop	Restaurant	Sandwick Place
13	Travis	Hotel	Deli / Bodega	Bowling Alley	Comedy Club	Spanish Restaurant	Park	Gym	Gym / Fitness	Baseball Field	Sports C

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DISCUSSION AND CONCLUSION

The best location inside NY to open our new brazilian restaurant is Staten Island. There are the lowest car accident level, a very good indicator.

The best cluster to choose a neighborhood is the cluster 4, because is the largest neighborhood, a true gastronomic hub! Probably, a lot of people go around there looking for lunch or dinner.

Discussion

Advisory

Conclusion

Job done!

Let's start the business!