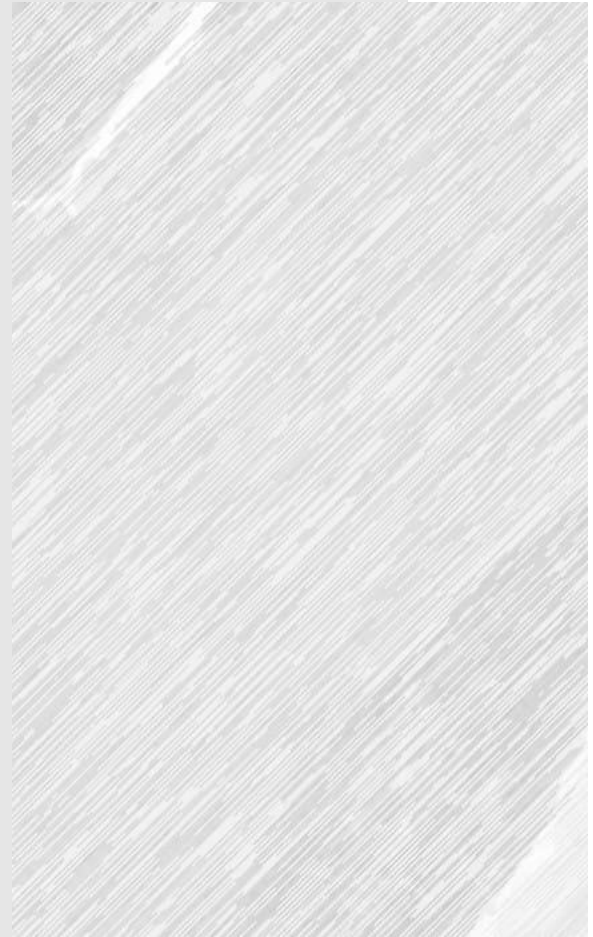




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Business Understanding

Business Problem: Finding the Best Investment Locations

- Objective: Identify the top 5 zip codes with strong growth potential based on recent data
- Provide reliable areas for future investment.



Data Understanding



Complete Location Data: Reliable details for zip code, city, and state allow easy comparisons across regions.



Full Price History: Consistent monthly price data supports accurate trend analysis and forecasting.



Minimal Metro Data Gaps: A few metro areas are missing but don't impact selected top zip codes.

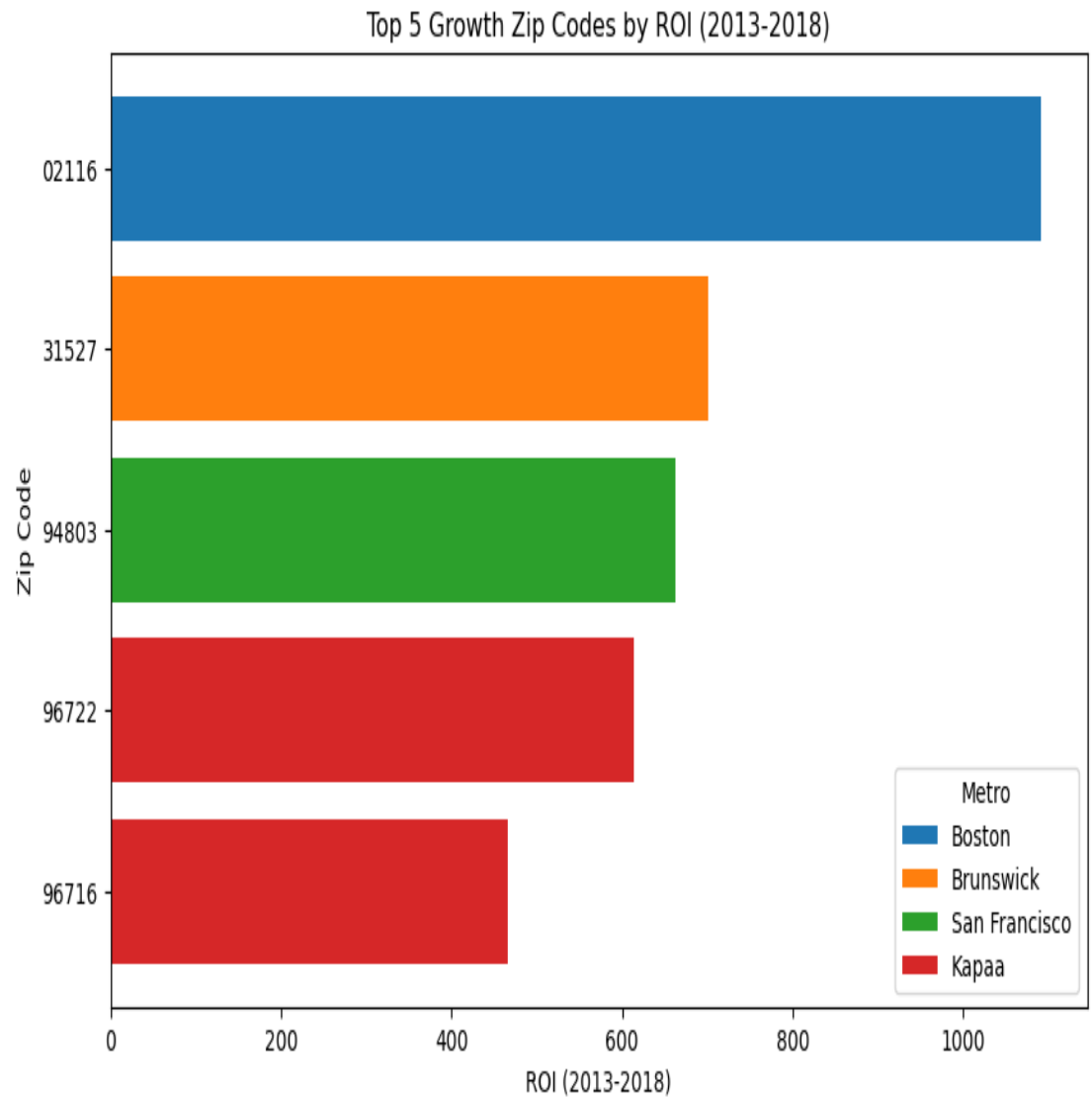
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Using Data to Guide Investments

Data Collection: Analyzed historical data on housing prices for multiple zip codes.

ROI Analysis: Focused on recent growth (2013-2018) to avoid skewed data from earlier volatile years, like the 2008 housing crisis.

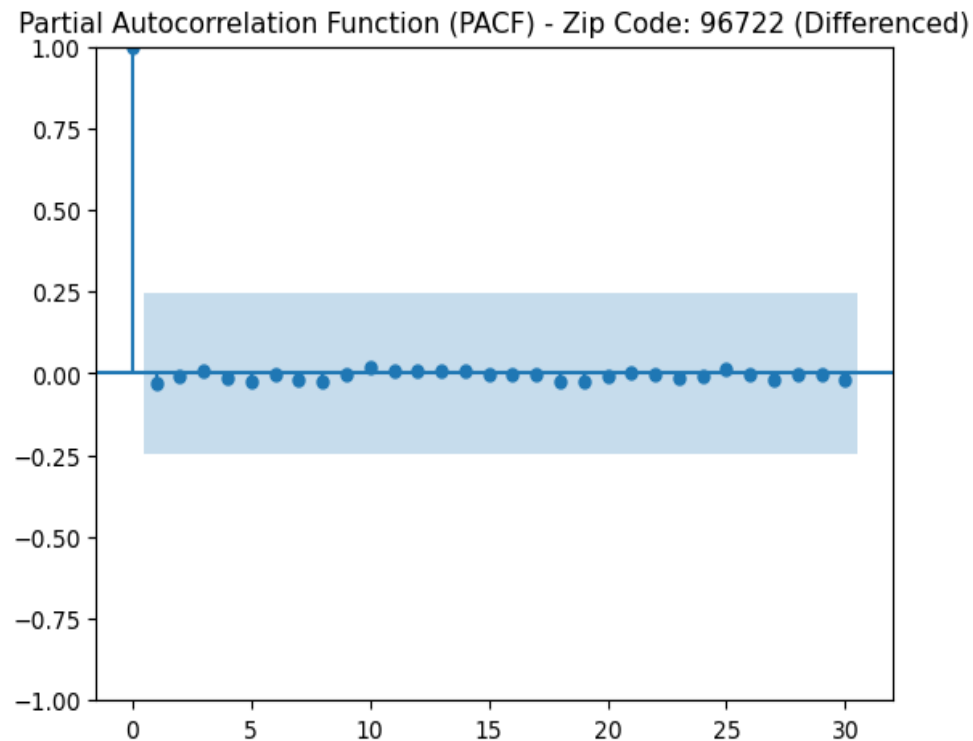
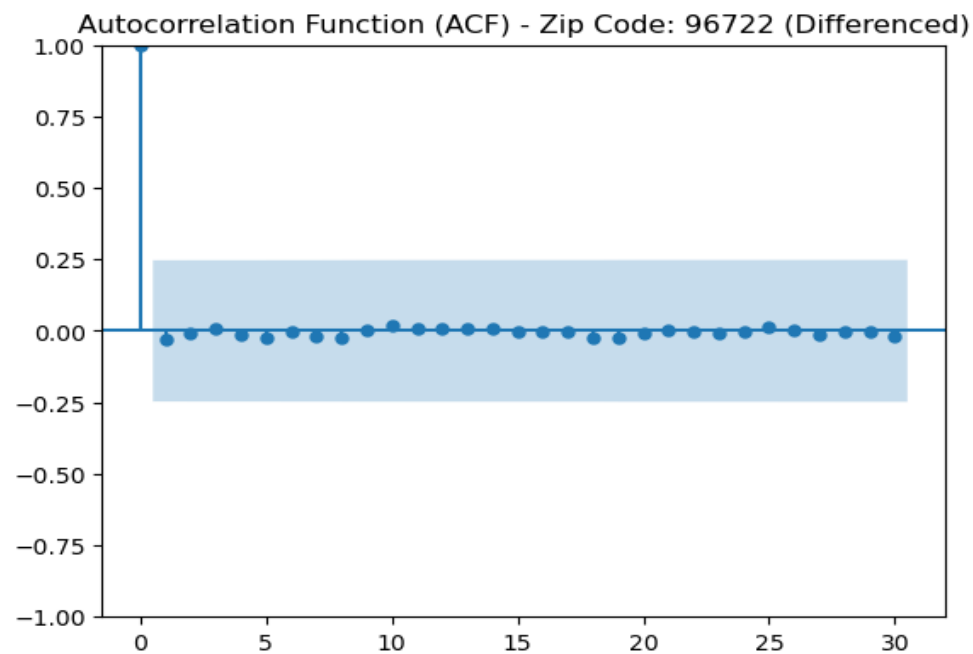
Forecasting Models: Used models to predict which zip codes are likely to show stable and strong growth.



Modeling Approach

Stationarity Tests:
Checked if price trends in each zip code were stable over time.

Seasonality Tests:
Identified zip codes with repeating seasonal price trends.



Model Selection



ARIMA:

- **AutoRegressive Integrated Moving Average**

- Forecasts future values based on past patterns.
- Ideal for trends without seasonal variations.

SARIMA:

- **Seasonal ARIMA**

- Incorporates seasonal components.
- Ideal for prices that fluctuate yearly.

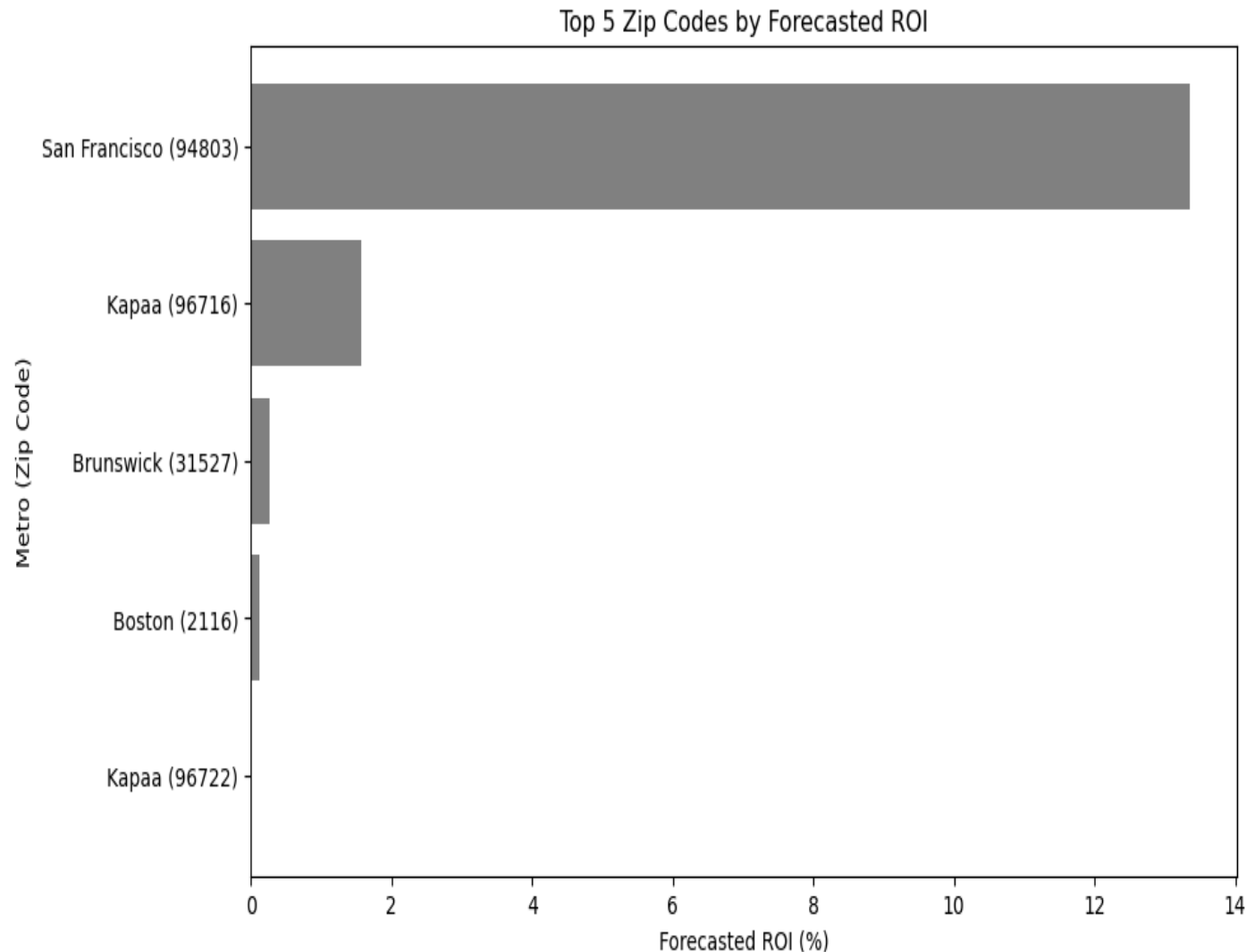
Hybrid:

- **ARIMA/SARIMA Blend**

- Combines non-seasonal ARIMA with seasonal SARIMA.
- Leverages both approaches.

= Evaluation

- Models with lower error values were more reliable.
- High ROI zip codes suggest strong growth.
- Stable areas are better for long-term growth; others offer short-term gains.



Conclusion

Leverage	Leverage the Forecasts: Focus investment efforts on the top 5 zip codes identified.
Monitor and Update	Monitor and Update: Continue tracking, reassess annually as new data becomes available.
Explore	Explore Hybrid Models: Consider combining ARIMA and SARIMA models as needed to optimize predictions

