Neighborhood Capstone Washington, DC

• A look at Washington, DC neighborhoods and their access to medical services.

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Introduction and Business Problem



The purpose of this report is to address a need for anyone that requires near immediate access to hospitals and EMS services (fire stations and police stations).



Anyone with a medical condition living in or moving to Washington, DC will want to know what neighborhoods have the best access to hospitals and EMS services.



Washington, DC has 132 neighborhoods. Each neighborhood will be analyzed to determine which one has the best access to medical services.



Medical services for this report will be limited to hospitals, urgent care clinics, fire stations, and police stations.

The Data



In order to determine the neighborhood with the best access to medical services we will need to get a list of neighborhoods in Washington, DC and latitude and longitude of each of those neighborhoods.



The neighborhood data was downloaded from www.opendata.dc.gov.



There are 132 neighborhoods in Washington DC.



Each neighborhood is analyzed using the Foursquare API.



Using the data we then determine which neighborhood in Washington, DC has the best access to medical services.

Methodology



For every neighborhood in Washington, DC we use the Foursquare API to collect all medical service facilities and EMS services.



A data frame containing the total number of medical and EMS venues for each neighborhood was created.



We then applied a weight to each of the four categories:

Hospitals: weighted value of 2

Urgent Care Clinics: weighted value

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Fire Stations: weighted value of 1.5 Police Stations: weighted value of 1.

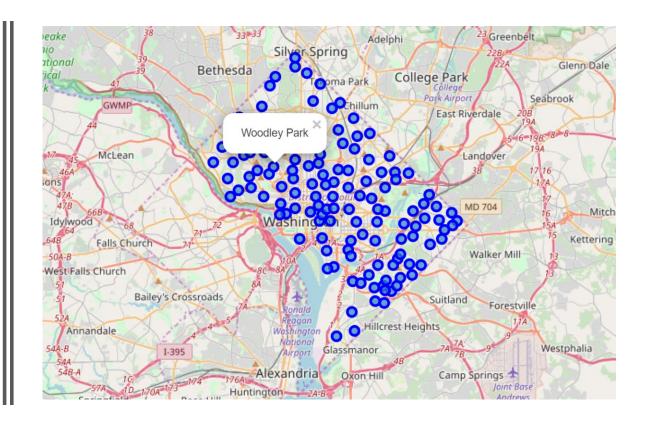


The weighted values data frame then ranks the top neighborhoods in Washington DC with the most immediate access to medical and EMS services.

Neighborhoods

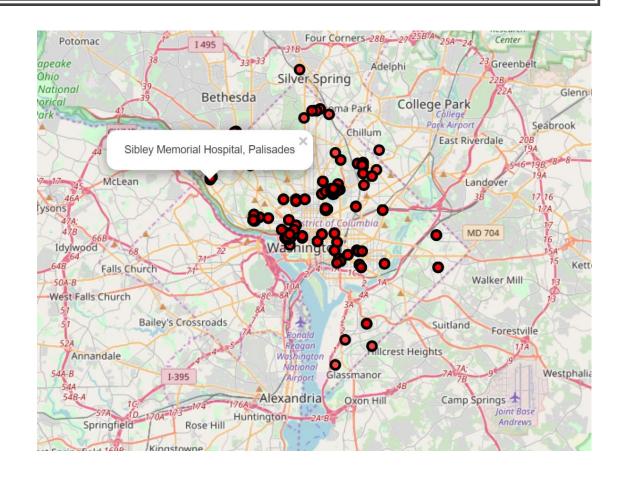
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[6]:		LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	NEIGHBORHOOD
	0	38.855658	-76.980348	Fort Stanton
	1	38.841077	-76.997950	Congress Heights
	2	38.830237	-76.995636	Washington Highlands
	3	38.826952	-77.009271	Bellevue
	4	38.853688	-76.967660	Knox Hill/Buena Vista



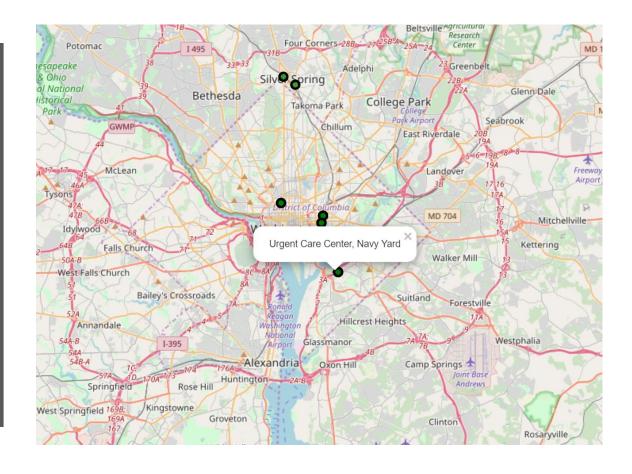
Hospitals

5]:		NEIGHBORHOOD	NEIGHBORHOOD LATITUDE	NEIGHBORHOOD LONGITUDE	VENUE	VENUE LATITUDE	VENUE LONGITUDE	VENUE CATEGORY
	0	Fort Stanton	38.855658	-76.980348	St Elizabeths Hospital	38.849297	-76.988809	Hospital
	1	Congress Heights	38.841077	-76.997950	Congress Heights Senior Wellness Center	38.839839	-77.005264	Hospital
	2	Congress Heights	38.841077	-76.997950	St Elizabeths Hospital	38.849297	-76.988809	Hospital
	3	Washington Highlands	38.830237	-76.995636	United Medical Center	38.835728	-76.984487	Hospital
	4	Bellevue	38.826952	-77.009271	SHW- Hadley	38.824655	-77.012575	Hospital



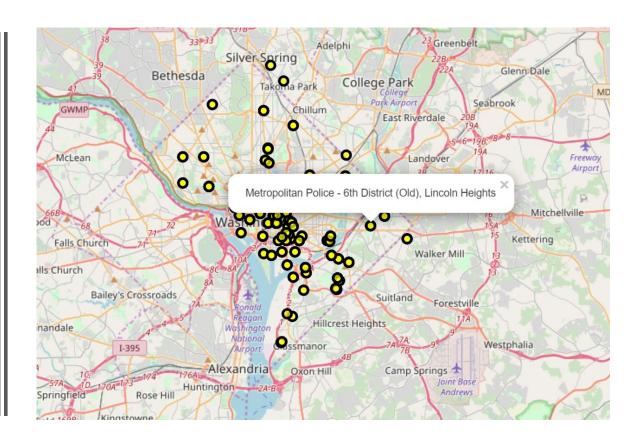
Urgent Care Clinics

2]:	NEIGHBORHOOD	NEIGHBORHOOD LATITUDE	NEIGHBORHOOD LONGITUDE	VENUE	VENUE LATITUDE	VENUE LONGITUDE	VENUE CATEGORY
	D Fairlawn	38.869159	-76.977452	Urgent Care Center	38.866032	-76.989372	Urgent Care Center
	1 Barry Farm	38.859255	-76.997281	Urgent Care Center	38.866032	-76.989372	Urgent Care Center
	2 Historic Anacostia	38.863186	-76.984678	Urgent Care Center	38.866032	-76.989372	Urgent Care Center
	3 Cardozo/Shaw	38.917168	-77.027550	Medics USA	38.912613	-77.038839	Doctor's Office
	4 Hillsdale	38.858423	-76.990561	Urgent Care Center	38.866032	-76.989372	Urgent Care Center



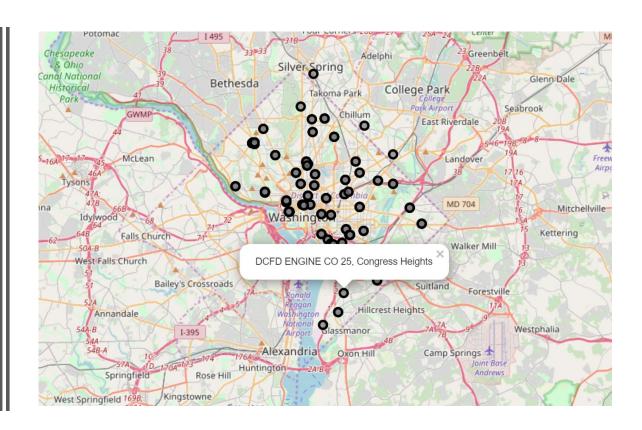
Police Departments

[40]:	NEIGHBORHOOD		NEIGHBORHOOD LATITUDE	NEIGHBORHOOD LONGITUDE	VENUE	VENUE LATITUDE	VENUE LONGITUDE	VENUE CATEGORY
	0	Fort Stanton	38.855658	-76.980348	Metropolitan Police Department - 7th District	38.853651	-76.969364	Police Station
	1	Fort Stanton	38.855658	-76.980348	Sixth District Satellite Station	38.859010	-76.967216	Police Station
	2	Fort Stanton	38.855658	-76.980348	MPD 7D Gym	38.854384	-76.970002	Police Station
	3	Congress Heights	38.841077	-76.997950	7d Police Department	38.837091	-77.004633	Police Station
	4	Congress Heights	38.841077	-76.997950	US Capitol Police Off-Site Screening	38.838776	-77.008734	Police Station



Fire Stations

[44]:		NEIGHBORHOOD	NEIGHBORHOOD LATITUDE	NEIGHBORHOOD LONGITUDE	VENUE	VENUE LATITUDE	VENUE LONGITUDE	VENUE CATEGORY
	0	Fort Stanton	38.855658	-76.980348	DCFD Engine 32 Truck 16	38.852665	-76.971353	Fire Station
	1	Fort Stanton	38.855658	-76.980348	Firehouse Flop House (bunkroom)	38.852697	-76.971519	Fire Station
	2	Congress Heights	38.841077	-76.997950	DCFD ENGINE CO 25	38.844005	-77.000435	Fire Station
	3	Washington Highlands	38.830237	-76.995636	DCFD Engine 33 / Truck 8	38.831036	-77.005139	Fire Station
	4	Bellevue	38.826952	-77.009271	DCFD Engine 33 / Truck 8	38.831036	-77.005139	Fire Station



Count of Medical Service Venues by Neighborhood

[48]:		LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	NEIGHBORHOOD	HOSPITAL	URGENT CARE	POLICE STATION	FIRE STATION
	0	38.855658	-76.980348	Fort Stanton	1.0	0.0	3.0	2.0
	1	38.841077	-76.997950	Congress Heights	2.0	0.0	2.0	1.0
	2	38.830237	-76.995636	Washington Highlands	1.0	0.0	0.0	1.0
	3	38.826952	-77.009271	Bellevue	1.0	0.0	2.0	2.0
	4	38.853688	-76.967660	Knox Hill/Buena Vista	0.0	0.0	4.0	2.0

Weighted Score of Each Neighborhood

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111 Howard University 9	99.5
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80 George Washington University	93.0
40 Stronghold S	91.5
63 Bloomingdale 4	49.5
43 Downtown East	39.0
84 Georgetown 3	36.0
85 Burleith/Hillandale 3	34.0
18 Columbia Heights 3	32.5
106 Dupont Circle 3	32.0
24 Foxhall Village	30.5
10 Capitol Hill 3	30.0
100 Glover Park 3	30.0
110 Le Droit Park	30.0
9 Near Southeast 2	29.0
39 Chinatown 2	28.0

Winner: Pleasant Plains

- After evaluating each neighborhood, it is clear to see that Pleasant Plains has the highest weighted score due to its close proximity to MedStar hospital, the largest private hospital in Washington, DC. There are also five fire stations and five police stations within 1000m of the center of the Pleasant Plains neighborhood.
- Using the Foursquare category ID call, other categories can easily be added to this dataset. Foursquare makes it easy to add venues such as; chiropractors, alternative medicine clinics, pharmacy's, etc.

