

House Property Sales Time Series

Data Date: 2007 - 2019



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Context

A multivariate time series has more than one time-dependent variable. Each variable depends not only on its past values but also has some dependency on other variables.

- We have accumulated property sales data for the 2007-2019 period for one specific region. The data contains sales prices for houses and units with 1,2,3,4,5 bedrooms. These are the cross-depended variables.

raw_sales				
datesold	postcode	price	propertyType	bedrooms
2007-02-07 00:00:00	2607	525000	house	4
2007-02-27 00:00:00	2906	290000	house	3
2007-03-07 00:00:00	2905	328000	house	3
2007-03-09 00:00:00	2905	380000	house	4
2007-03-21 00:00:00	2906	310000	house	3
2007-04-04 00:00:00	2905	465000	house	4
2007-04-24 00:00:00	2607	399000	house	3
2007-04-30 00:00:00	2606	1530000	house	4
2007-05-24 00:00:00	2902	359000	house	3
2007-05-25 00:00:00	2906	320000	house	3
2007-06-26 00:00:00	2902	385000	house	3
2007-06-27 00:00:00	2906	305000	house	3
2007-06-27 00:00:00	2612	850000	house	4
2007-06-28 00:00:00	2904	765000	house	4
2007-06-30 00:00:00	2615	517000	house	4
2007-07-02 00:00:00	2914	800000	house	5
2007-07-03 00:00:00	2906	336000	house	3
2007-07-06 00:00:00	2615	535000	house	5
2007-07-07 00:00:00	2602	900000	house	4
2007-07-08 00:00:00	2600	327000	house	1
2007-07-12 00:00:00	2602	427500	house	3
2007-07-13 00:00:00	2602	780000	house	3
2007-07-18 00:00:00	2602	530000	house	3
2007-07-18 00:00:00	2602	590000	house	3
2007-07-20 00:00:00	2605	505000	house	3

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Variable of Interest: The primary variable of interest appears to be **Sales**, which we aim to analyze or forecast over time.

Time Series Context: The data includes a **Month** column, indicating that this is a monthly time series dataset.

- **Goal:** The aim is likely to understand trends, seasonality, and forecast future sales based on historical patterns.



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Comparing 3 Forecast Model

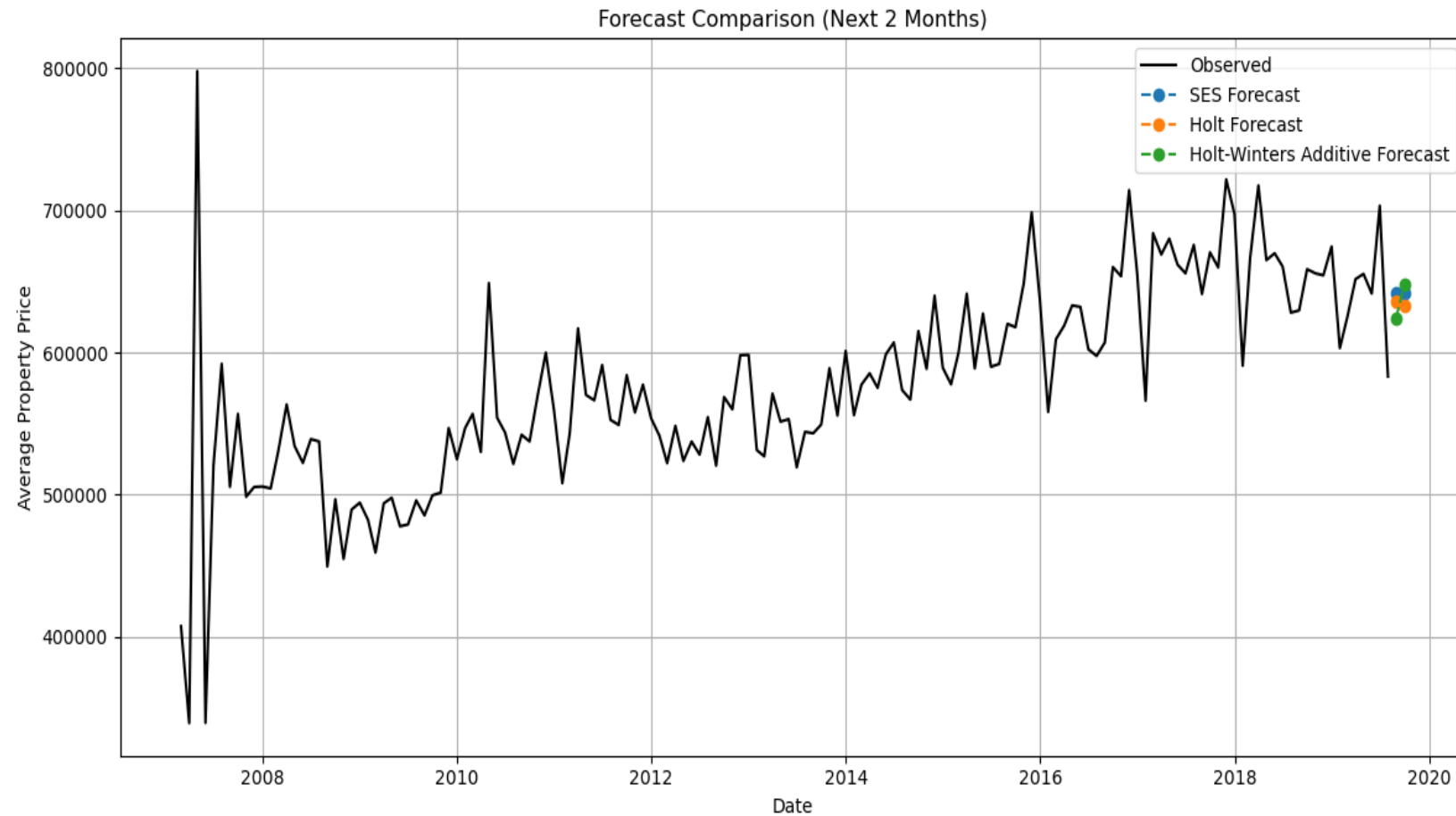
1.Simple Exponential Smoothing

2.Holt's Linear Trend (Additive Trend)

3.Holt-Winters Seasonal (Additive Seasonality + Trend)

August 2019

September 2019



Forecast Result:

Model Type	August 2019	September 2019
Simple Exponential Smoothing	\$641,993	\$641,993
Holt's Linear Trend	\$640,493	\$639,425
Holt-Winters Additive	\$624,468	\$647,789

Simple Exponential Smoothing assumes no trend or seasonality — so the forecast remains flat.

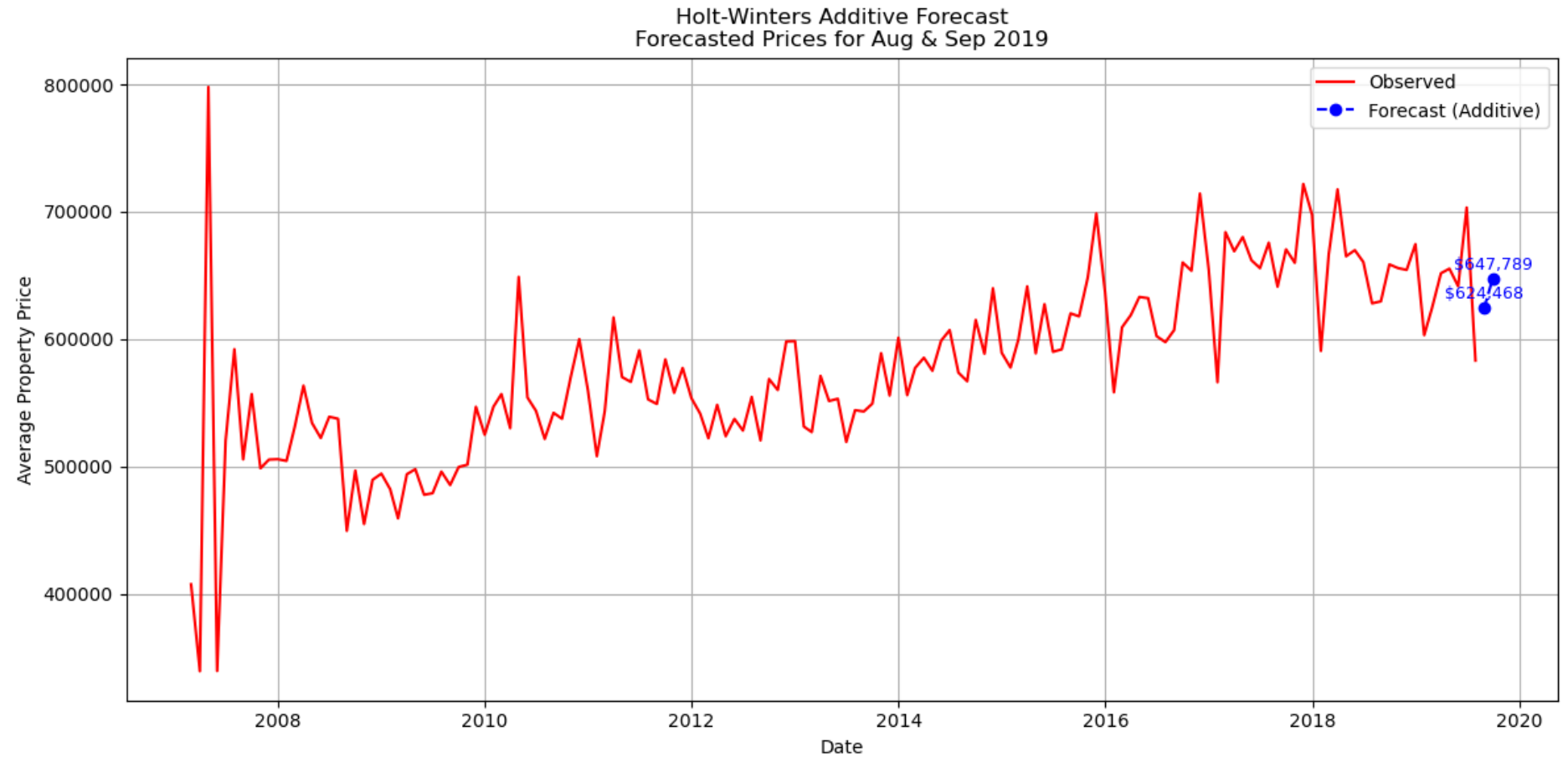
Holt's Model incorporates a linear trend, predicting a slight decline.

Holt-Winters includes both trend and seasonality, showing a more dynamic pattern with an increase in the price.

Based on the last comparing, I select the **Holt-Winters**.

August 2019: \$624,467.92

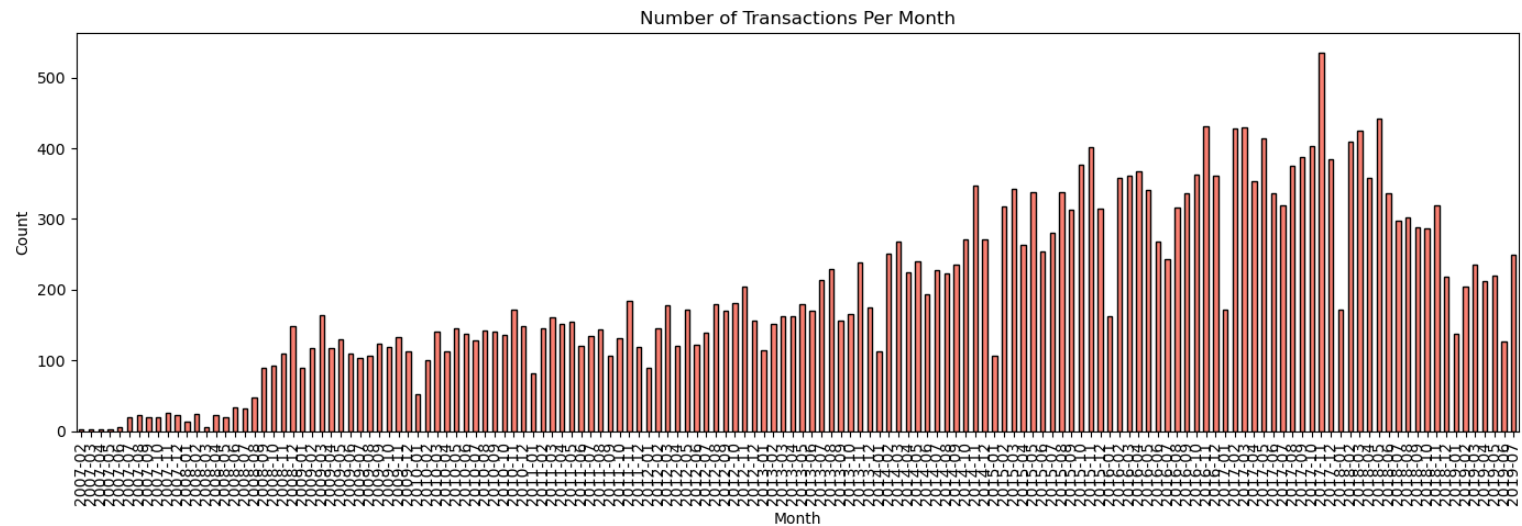
September 2019: \$647,789.21



histogram of property sale prices.



Number of sales per month

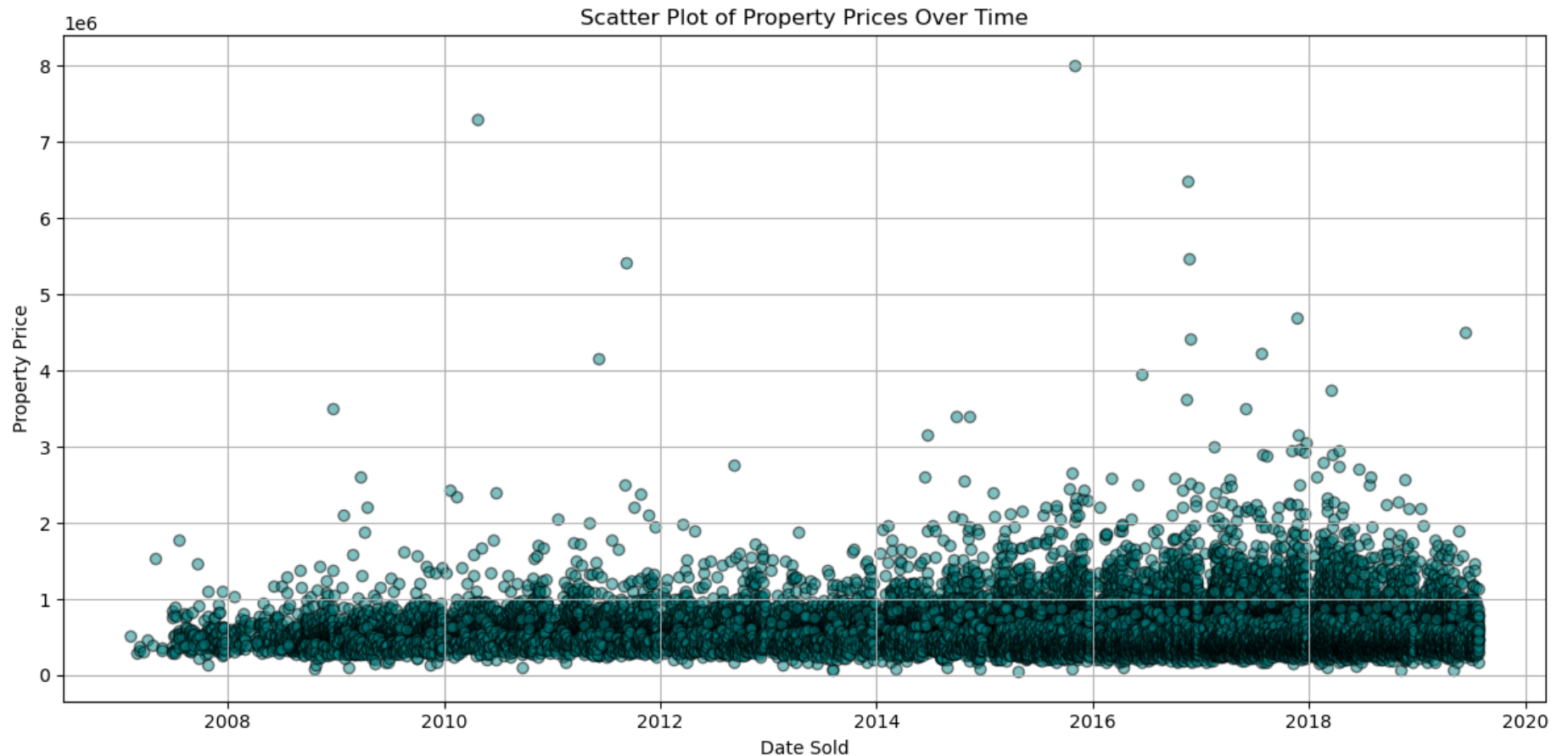


Each dot represents a property that was sold.

The **x-axis** shows the **sale date**.

The **y-axis** shows the **price** of each property.

You can spot **price trends over time**, like increasing or fluctuating prices.



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Why the Holt-Winters Additive Model was Chosen:

The dataset involves **monthly property sale prices over time**, which clearly show:

- **Trend:** The property prices are steadily increasing, indicating a long-term growth pattern.
- **Seasonality:** Prices exhibit repeated fluctuations at regular intervals (monthly/quarterly cycles).

The Holt-Winters Additive is ideal for time series data that demonstrate:

- A **linear trend** (growing or declining),
- **Seasonal variations** of relatively constant magnitude.

This model was selected because it balances:

- Responsiveness to recent changes (through exponential smoothing),
- Accuracy in modeling consistent seasonal effects,
- Capability to generate **future forecasts**, such as for **August and September 2019**, with meaningful confidence.