# Capstone Project - The Battle Of Neighborhoods

Explore Indian restaurants in Toronto

# **Background:**

Toronto has an estimated population of just over 2.8 million in 2016, which makes it the 4th most populous city in North America and the most populous Great Lakes city. Toronto, which is located on Lake Ontario, is the most populous city in Canada and the provincial capital of Ontario.

According to the 2016 Census, the racial composition of Toronto was: White: 50.2% East Asian: 12.7% (10.8% Chinese, 1.4% Korean, 0.5% Japanese) South Asian: 12.3% Black: 8.5% Southeast Asian: 7.0% (5.1% Filipino) Latin American: 2.8% West Asian: 2.0% Arab: 1.1% Aborginal: 0.7% (0.5% First Nations, 0.2% Metis) Two or more races: 1.5% Other race: 1.3%

Given its diverse population, Toronto is home to many ethnic neighborhoods such as Little India, Greektown, Corso Italia, Chinatown and Little Jamaica.

Foreign-born people account for nearly half of the population of Toronto. This gives Toronto the second-highest percentage of foreign-born residents of all world cities after Miami. Unlike Miami, Toronto has no dominant culture or nationality, which also makes it one of the world's most diverse cities.

With this various people in this city, people do have various cultural diversity and also the different type of food habit. People can fulfil their wishes of having their homely food as it has many restaurants over the city with different cuisines, such as Indian, Chinese etc.

In this capstone project we will explore the major part of the Toronto city with great Indian restaurants.

### **Data Sources:**

To accomplish task of exploring Indian restaurants in Toronto city, we need the datasets which covers the below:

Toronto City data that contains list Boroughs, Neighborhoods along with their latitude and longitude.

- Data Source: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/ List\_of\_postal\_codes\_of\_Canada:\_M
- Get the Latitude and Longitude Data from: http://cocl.us/Geospatial\_data
- This data set contains the required information of Canada. And we will use subset of this data set to explore various neighborhoods of Tornoto.

Indian restaurants in each neighborhood of Toronto city.

- Data source: Foursquare API
- Description: By using this API we will get all the venues in each neighborhood. We can filter these venues to get only Indian restaurants.

# **Approach of the Study:**

- Collect the Toronto city data from <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List\_of\_postal\_codes\_of\_Canada:\_M">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List\_of\_postal\_codes\_of\_Canada:\_M</a>
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- Filter the Data to populate only Toronto for which the analysis will be done
- Using FourSquare API we will find all venues for each neighborhood
- Filter out all venues that are Indian Restaurants
- Find ratings, tips and like count for each Indian Restaurants using FourSquare API.
- Using rating for each restaurant, we will sort that data.
- Visualize the Ranking of neighborhoods using folium library using python.

## **Business Problem:**

This will be applicable for the entrepreneurs who would like to set up an Indian restaurant in the Toronto city. They need to consider many aspects before they go for their set up, such as getting the suitable location based on the other restaurants exist with the neighbourhoods and their ratings/likes. And also, they need to see the distribution of the Indian restaurants across the locality. Mainly the below questions from an entrepreneur point of view should be considered.

#### Questions to answer from datasets:

- What is best location in Toronto City for Indian Cuisine?
- Which areas have potential Indian Restaurant Market?
- Which all areas lack Indian Restaurants?
- Which is the best place to stay if I prefer Indian Cuisine?

#### **Technical Dependencies for Analysis:**

- We will import the required libraries for Python.
- Pandas and NumPy for handling data.
- Request module for using FourSquare API for getting the details about restaurants.
- geopy to get co-ordinates of City of Tornoto.
- folium to visualize the results on a map which will be easy for the entrepreneurs to see insights.

## **Data Processing:**

#### **Toronto Location data:**

Toronto location data "<a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List\_of\_postal\_codes\_of\_Canada:\_M" has information related to Toronto Borough (East Toronto, Central Toronto, Downtown Toronto and West Toronto) set along with their 39 Neithborhoods. And the Longitude and Latitude information is available in another Data source <a href="http://cocl.us/Geospatial\_data">http://cocl.us/Geospatial\_data</a>.

#### Indian Restaurants in Toronto:

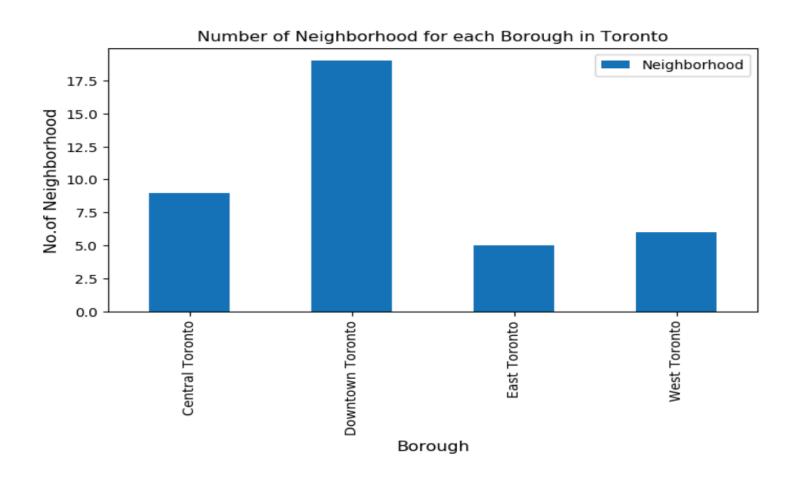
Using FourSquare API extracted the Indian restaurant from all the above neighborhoods. (Top 100 venues within a radius of 1000 metres for a given latitude and longitude -with setting radius=1000 and LIMIT=100 in API setting)

•We found 50 Indian restaurants from the API.

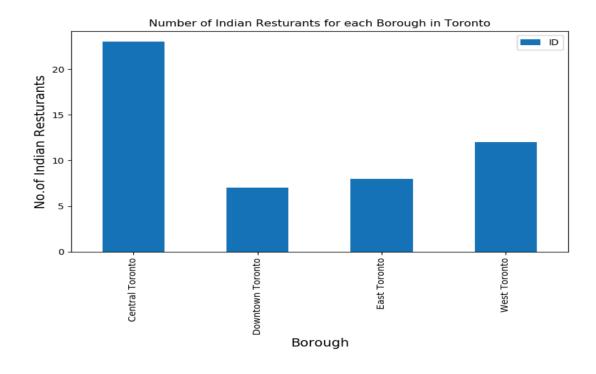
#### Ranking of Toronto Indian Restaurants:

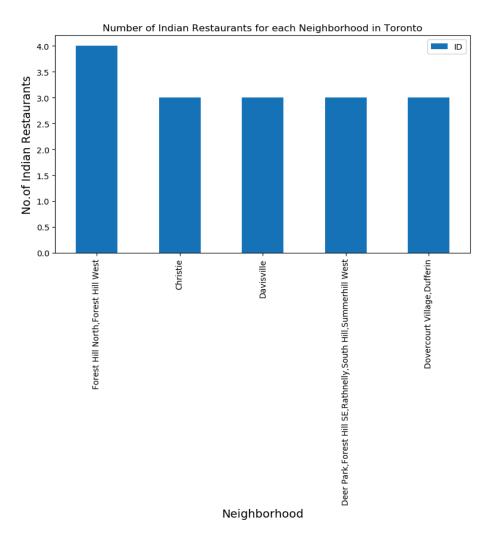
Using the FourSquare API extracted the rating related information for all mentioned Indian restaurant information. The fields we got are Likes, Ratings and Tips.

## Neighborhood Distribution across each Toronto Borough



# Indian Restaurants in Tornoto by Borough vs Neighborhood:





#### Ranking of Tornoto Indian Restaurants:

The Restaurant "Banjara Indian Cuisine" has the Highest number of LIKES (142) which is located in Central Toronto borough.

The Restaurant "Pukka Restaurant" has the Highest Rating (9.1) which is also located in Central Toronto borough.

The Restaurant "Banjara Indian Cuisine" has the Highest number of TIPS (75) which is located in Central Toronto borough.

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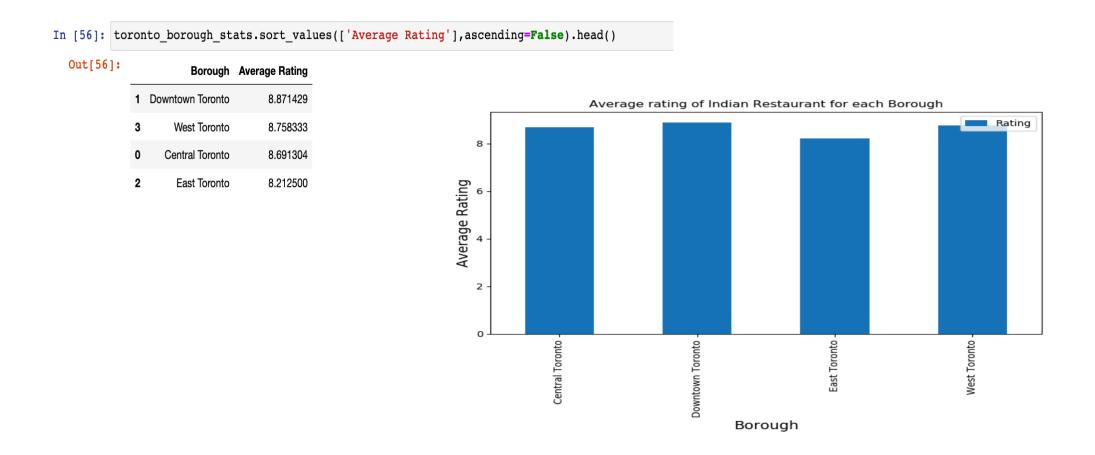
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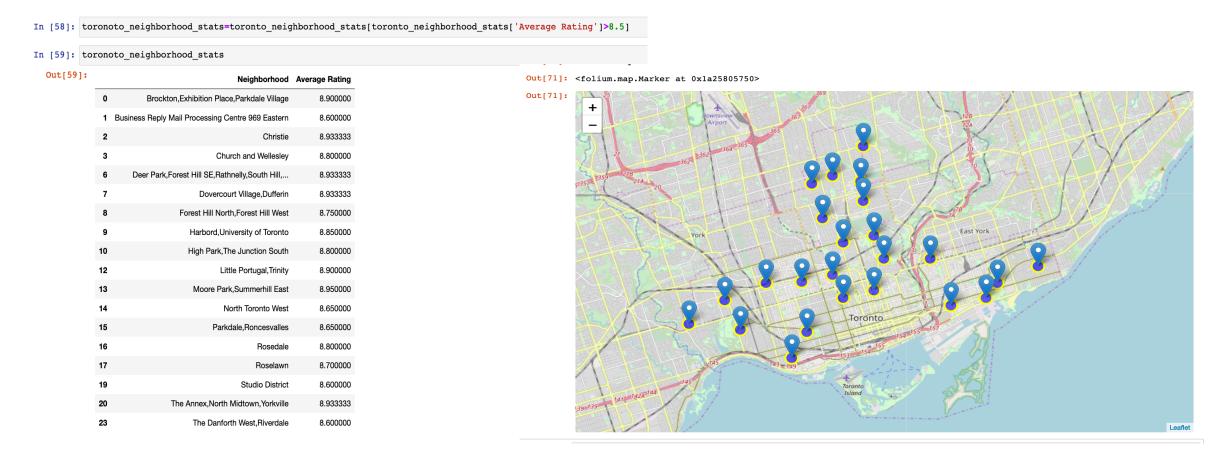
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Central Toronto

## Average Rating of Indian Restaurants across Toronto:



## Filtering the neighborhoods having a good average rating (more than 8.5):



## **Conclusion:**

The above insights and analysis on Indian restaurants in different boroughs in Toronto will be helpful for an entrepreneur who wish to keep a good Indian restaurant in the Toronto. He/she can identify the most demanding borough to set up an Indian restaurant and which area has a great scope.

From user's point of view, they can identify the best place to live in the Toronto city if they prefer Indian cuisine.

The below few points from analysis we can note which will be useful for entrepreneurs and/or users.

- Central Toronto has many good Indian restaurants. It is the best place to stay if user prefer an Indian restaurant.
- Delhi Bistro ranks lowest average ratings of Indian restaurants.
- Central Toronto have potential Indian Restaurant Market.
- Downtown Toronto has less number of Indian Restaurants compared to other boroughs.
- Investors/entrepreneurs can look into the above areas for setting up Indian restaurants.

#### **Limitations:**

- The ranking is purely on basis of rating of restaurants
- The accuracy of data purely depends on the data provided by FourSquare