# Predicting Economic Freedom

using electricity generation & water sanitation

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# Me and My Hypothesis

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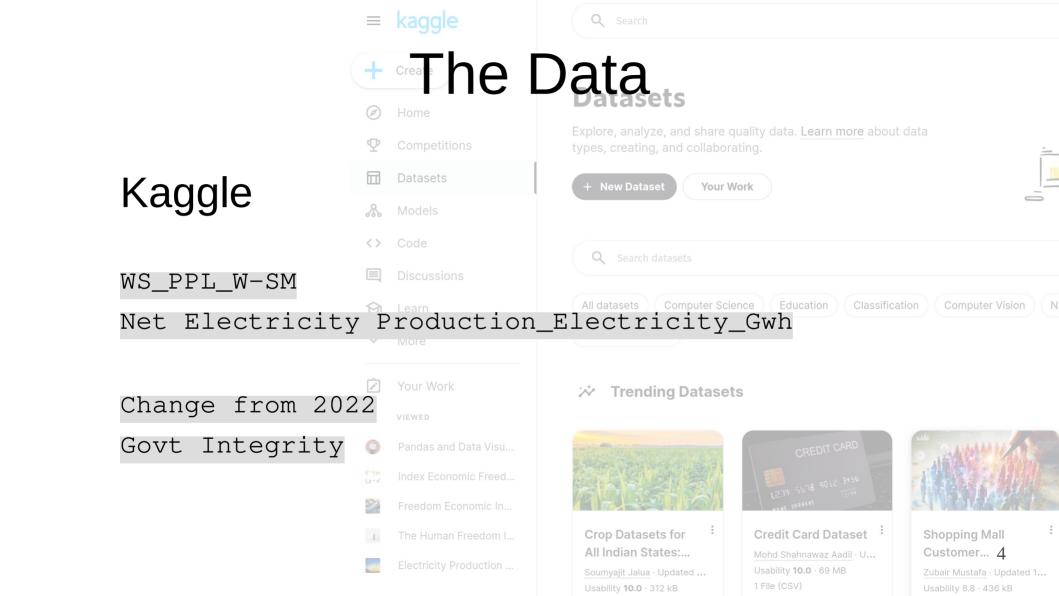
Can we predict changes in economic freedom for a country based on trends in sanitation and electricity generation?

# Why ask this question

Allocate international aid Identify political trends

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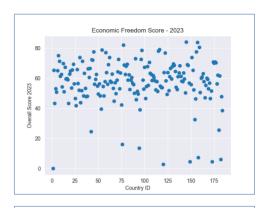
Complete a required MS course

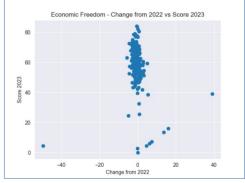


### **EDA**

Decent variance in target

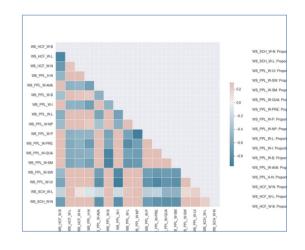
No real correlation between change and score



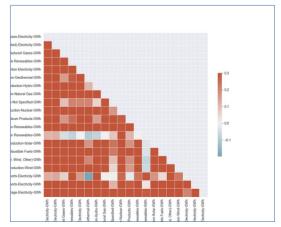


### **EDA**

Some variables with water data were highly correlated

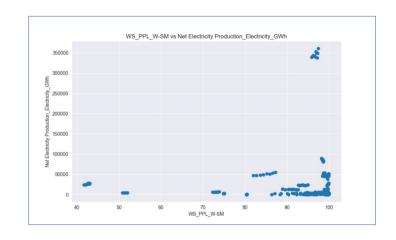


Less so with electricity generation

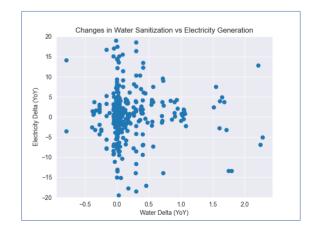


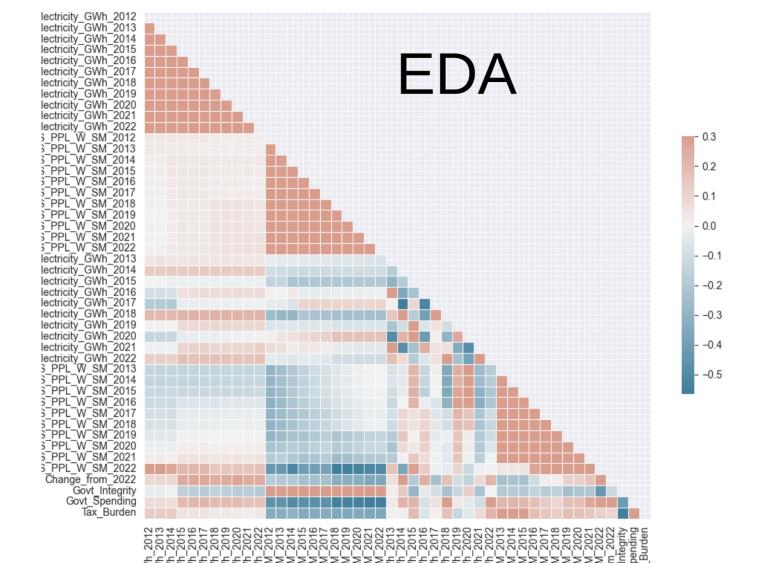
### **EDA**

Raw scores are clustered by country



Take YoY percent change





#### Linear regression

Change from 2022

**Government Integrity** 

#### Decision Tree Classifier

Is a country "economically free"?

#### Linear regression

Change from 2022

**Government Integrity** 

Because regression wasn't going so hot...

#### **Decision Tree Classifier**

Is a country "economically free"?

#### Linear regression

- Continuous prediction of a numerical variable
- Directly uses available numerical data
- Easy to understand

#### Decision Tree Classifier

- Fast to train and use
- Conceptually simple
- Explainable with images
- Isn't another regression

### Results

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OLS Regression Results
Dep. Variable:
                    Change from 2022 R-squared:
                                                                       0.230
Model:
                                       Adj. R-squared:
                                                                       0.134
                                ULS
Method:
                       Least Squares F-statistic:
                                                                       2.395
                    Wed. 10 Apr 2024 Prob (F-statistic):
                                                                      0.0709
Date:
                            12:29:46 Log-Likelihood:
                                                                     -54.162
No. Observations:
                                                                       118.3
Df Residuals:
                                                                       126.4
Df Model:
Covariance Type:
                           nonrobust
                                                                                             P>Itl
                                                                                                        [0.025
                                                              coef
                                                                      std err
                                                                                                                    0.9751
                                                                                             0.000
                                                                                                                   -1.443
Intercept
                                                           -1.8572
                                                                        0.203
delta_WS_PPL_W_SM_2021:elec_delta_10_yr
                                                          -72.8977
                                                                       32.982
                                                                                 -2.210
                                                                                             0.034
                                                                                                      -140.080
                                                                                                                   -5.715
delta_WS_PPL_W_SM_2021
                                                           73.2564
                                                                       32.675
                                                                                  2.242
                                                                                             0.032
                                                                                                         6.700
                                                                                                                   139.813
delta_WS_PPL_W_SM_2021:water_delta_10_yr:elec_delta_10_yr 2703.1654
                                                                      954.508
                                                                                  2.832
                                                                                             0.008
                                                                                                       758.895
                                                                                                                  4647.435
delta_WS_PPL_W_SM_2021:water_delta_10_yr
                                                        -2648.9719
                                                                                  -2.836
                                                                                                     -4551.372
                                                                                                                  -746.571
                                                                      933.953
                                                                                             0.008
                                      Durbin-Watson:
                                                                       2.213
Omnibus:
                               0.382
                              0.826 Jarque-Bera (JB):
Prob(Omnibus):
                                                                       0.442
                              -0.219 Prob(JB):
                                                                       0.802
Skew:
Kurtosis:
                               2.691
                                       Cond. No.
                                                                    7.30e+03
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### Results

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OLS Regression Results
Dep. Variable:
                    Govt_Integrity R-squared:
                                                                 0.450
Model:
                      ענט Adi. R-squared:
                                                                 0.418
Method:
                     Least Squares F-statistic:
                                                                 14.30
                  Wed, 10 Apr 2024 Prob (F-statistic):
                                                           2.89e-05
Date:
Time:
                        12:29:46 Log-Likelihood:
                                                               -155.88
No. Observations:
                                                                 317.8
Df Residuals:
                                                                 322.7
Df Model:
Covariance Type:
                        nonrobust
                                                                P>|t|
                                                                          [0.025
                                                                                    0.9751
                                   coef
                                          std err
Intercept
                                58.6195
                                           17.737
                                                     3.305
                                                                0.002
                                                                          22.612
                                                                                   94.627
                                                                       -137.623 -35.119
elec_delta_10_yr
                              -86.3707
                                        25.246
                                                    -3.421
                                                                0.002
WS_PPL_W_SM_2021:elec_delta_10_yr
                               1.0592
                                            0.198
                                                      5.345
                                                                0.000
                                                                           0.657
                                                                                   1.462
Omnibus:
                           1.564 Durbin-Watson:
                                                                1.850
Prob(Omnibus):
                        0.457 Jarque-Bera (JB):
                                                                1.415
                           -0.342 Prob(JB):
                                                                 0.493
Skew:
Kurtosis:
                            2.348
                                  Cond. No.
                                                              1.02e+03
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# Results

#### Is this country economically free?

delta\_WS\_PPL\_W\_SM\_2022
Change in sanitation from 2021-2022

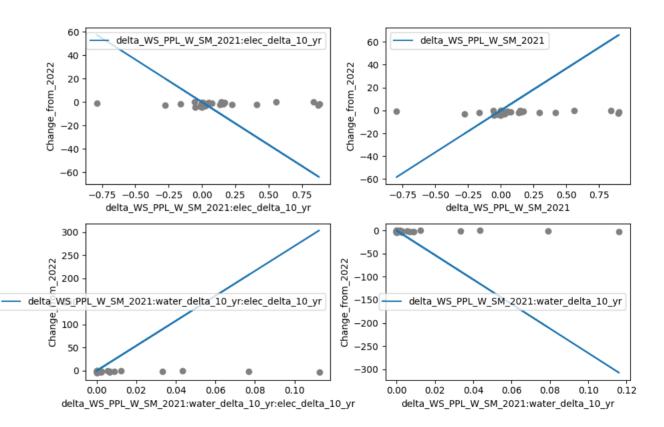
water\_delta\_10\_yr
Change in sanitation from 2012-2022

elec\_delta\_5\_yr
Change in electricity generation from 2017-2022

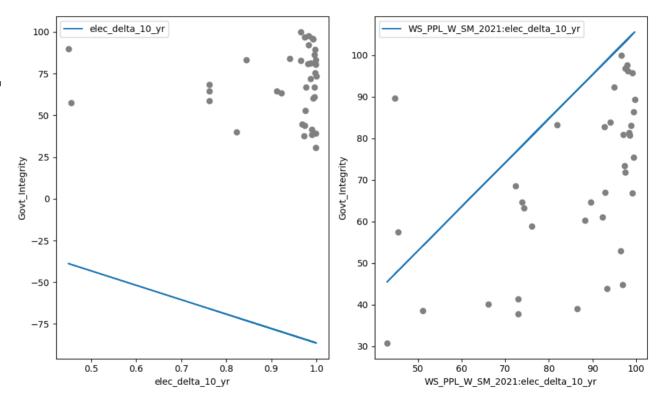
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Decision Tree Results |
Accuracy: 0.889
Precision: 1.000
Recall : 0.857
F1 Score : 0.923
AUC : 0.929
Confusion Matrix:
 [[2 0]
 [1 6]]
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Right?

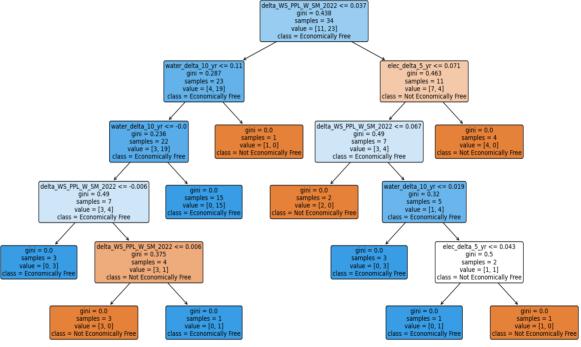
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### Future Work?

Need more data – previous econ scores Use information on regions

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