2. Data

Opening a new business such as a restaurant requires an analysis of several factors. If done meticulously, number of factors could be well above a hundred. However, for the purpose of this report we will focus on the following – potential customers, competition and safety in several neighborhoods in Toronto. Description of factors and data sources is below.

2.1. Data sources

There are several data sources in the project:

- 1. Foursquare location data from a developer's account https://foursquare.com/
- 2. Safety data extracted from "Toronto Police Service Public Safety Data Portal" http://data.torontopolice.on.ca/pages/open-data
- 3. Population data across neighborhoods was extracted from the 2016 Census, Toronto https://www12.statcan.gc.ca/census-recensement/2016/dp-pd/index-eng.cfm
- 4. Demographic data from the Toronto Open Data Portal https://www.toronto.ca/city-government/data-research-maps/open-data/
- 5. Neighborhood data and postal codes for Toronto https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_postal_codes_of_Canada: M
- 6. Langitude and latitude coordinates of neighborhoods CSV file "Geospatial coordinates.csv"

2.2. Data description

Data collected from the mentioned sources above will allow us to analyze neighborhoods and figure out which are more suitable to opening new restaurants. Using foursquare location data, we will primarily analyze competition, for example a number of restaurants operating in the neighborhood (if data allows, maybe even the types of restaurants).

[34]:		name	categories	address	cc	city	country	crossStreet	distance	formattedAddress	labeledLatLngs	lat	Ing	neighborhood	postalCode	state
	0	Korin	Furniture / Home Store	57 Warren St	US	New York	United States	Church St	73	(Church St), New York, NY 10007,	[{'label': 'display', 'lat': 40.71482437714839, 'lng': -74.00940425461492]]	40.714824	-74.009404	Tribeca	10007	NY
	1	Juice Press	Vegetarian / Vegan Restaurant	83 Murray St	US	New York	United States	btwn Greenwich St & W Broadway	202	[83 Murray St (btwn Greenwich St & W Broadway), New York, NY 10007, United States]	[('label': 'display', 'lat': 40.71478769908051, 'lng': -74.0111317502157)]	40.714788	-74.011132	NaN	10007	NY
	2	Chambers Street Wines	Wine Shop	148 Chambers St	US	New York	United States	btwn West Broadway & Hudson St	88	[148 Chambers St (btwn West Broadway & Hudson St), New York, NY 10007, United States]	[{'label': 'display', 'lat': 40.715773063928374, 'lng': -74.00971823312332}]	40.715773	-74.009718	NaN	10007	NY
	3	Takahachi Bakery	Bakery	25 Murray St	US	New York	United States	at Church St	187	[25 Murray St (at Church St), New York, NY 10007, United States]	[{'label': 'display', 'lat': 40.713652845301894, 'lng': -74.0088038953017}]	40.713653	-74.008804	NaN	10007	NY
	4	Takahachi	Sushi Restaurant	145 Duane St	US	New York	United States	btwn W Broadway & Church St	146	[145 Duane St (btwn W Broadway & Church St), New York, NY 10013,	[{'label': 'display', 'lat': 40.71652647412374, 'lng': -74.00810108466207}]	40.716526	-74.008101	NaN	10013	NY

Image 1. An example of venue information obtained by a request to a Foursquare API

The safety data from Toronto Police will give us data on the crime rates of certain areas as we don't want to open a restaurant in an area with high levels of crime. It is available in CSV format and will be transformed into Pandas data frames for cleaning.

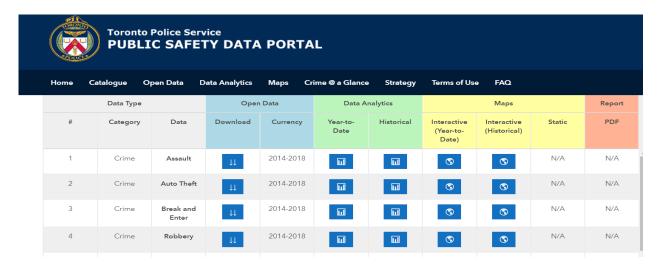


Image 2. Data on Toronto crime from the Police Service.

The demographic and population data will let us analyze potential demand and maybe give us a clue in the type of restaurant that should be opened (for example, the predominance of a certain language in the area might mean that type of cuisine will be popular). It is available in CSV format and will be read into a Pandas data frame for cleaning and analysis.

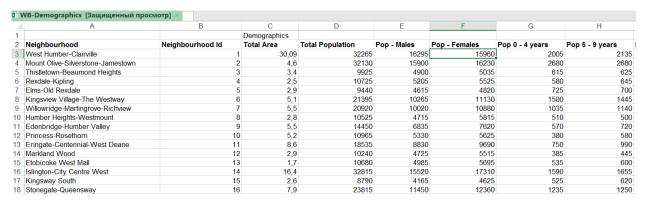


Image 3. A view of the demographic data for Toronto neighborhoods in xls format.

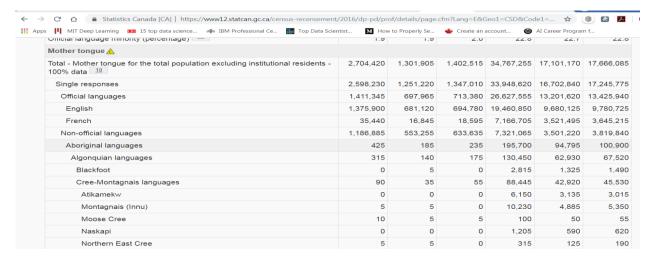


Image 4. Data on Toronto languages

The neighborhood data and postal codes with longitude and latitude are needed for tools to make the visualizations and make the analysis easier to understand.

	Postcode	Borough	Neighborhood	Latitude	Longitude	
0	M1B	Scarborough	Rouge, Malvern	43.806686	-79.194353	
1	M1C	Scarborough	Highland Creek,Rouge Hill,Port Union	43.784535	-79.160497	
2	M1E	Scarborough	Guildwood, Morningside, West Hill	43.763573	-79.188711	
3	M1G	Scarborough	Woburn	43.770992	-79.216917	
4	M1H	Scarborough	Cedarbrae	43.773136	-79.239476	

Image 5. Transformed data from postal code and neighborhood data with geographical coordinates