

Project

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The Thyroid Disease Data Set

The data is in the .csv file `thyroid.csv` . It consists of 3, 772 rows (patients) on whom 28 variables were reported, namely:

`ThyroidClass`

Binary classification label indicating whether **sick = 1** or **negative=0**

`patient_age`

Age of the patient

`patient_gender`

Flag indicating gender of patient - **1=Female** and **0=Male**

`presc_thyroxine`

Flag to indicate whether thyroxine replacement prescribed **1=Thyroxine prescribed**

`queried_why_on_thyroxine`

Flag to indicate query has been actioned

`presc_anthyroid_meds`

Flag to indicate whether anti-thyroid medicine has been prescribed

`sick`

Flag to indicate sickness due to thyroxine depletion or over activity

`pregnant`

Fag to indicate whether the patient is pregnant

`thyroid_surgery`

Flag to indicate whether the patient has had thyroid surgery

`radioactive_iodine_therapyI131`

Indicates whether patient has had radioactive iodine treatment: <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/thyroid-cancer/treatment/>

`query_hypothyroid`

Flag to indicate under active thyroid query <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/underactive-thyroid-hypothyroidism/>

`query_hyperthyroid`

Flag to indicate over active thyroid query <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/overactive-thyroid-hyperthyroidism/>

lithium

Lithium carbonate administered to decrease the level of thyroid hormones

goitre

Flag to indicate swelling of the thyroid gland <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/goitre/>

tumor

Flag to indicate a tumor

hypopituitarism

Flag to indicate a diagnosed under active thyroid

psych_condition

Indicates whether a patient has a psychological condition

TSH_measured

A TSH level lower than normal indicates there is usually more than enough thyroid hormone in the body and may indicate hyperthyroidism

TSH_reading

The reading result of the TSH blood test

T3_measured

Linked to TSH reading - when free triiodothyronine rise above normal this indicates hyperthyroidism

T3_reading

The reading result of the T3 blood test looking for above normal levels of free triiodothyronine

T4_measured

Free thyroxine, also known as T4, is used with T3 and TSH tests to diagnose hyperthyroidism

T4_reading

The reading result of th T4 test

thyrox_util_rate_T4U_measured

Flag indicating the thyroxine utilisation rate <https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/1685967/>

thyrox_util_rate_T4U_reading

The result of the test

FTI_measured

Flag to indicate measurement on the Free Thyroxine Index (FTI) <https://endocrinology.testcatalog.org/show/FRTUP>

FTI_reading

The result of the test mentioned above

ref_src

Indicates the referral source of the patient

Requirements

- Create a dashboard with tabs:
 - one for a recap of numbers of individual patients (allowing the user to choose the patient);
 - one with intuitive viz or data table summaries of individual variables (possibly by subgroups);
 - one for comparing groups of patients (allowing the user to choose the variable(s) by which grouping the data).
- Separately generate a HTML report providing insight into which variables might be the best predictors of thyroid disease.
- Handle missing value properly:
 - Create new variables that are copies of variables with missing values where the missing values have been imputed. Justify the method;
 - In the dashboard, when a displayed number comes from your imputation process, find a way to signal it to the user.
- Use **flexdashboard** for building the dashboard;
- Use **ggplot2** for providing visualisations;
- Use **tidyverse** packages for data wrangling;
- Exploring new packages not mentioned in class that are useful to the dashboard or the report will add a bonus to the final mark.

Useful packages

- [skimr](#): helpful quick summary of data
- [janitor](#): fast cleaning of data
- [naniar](#): visualize missing data
- [simputation](#): impute missing data
- [forcats](#): handle reordering of categories of categorical variables (useful for plotting)
- [interactive flexdashboards](#)