

ISSS608 Visual Analytics Project

**Money No Enough:
A Deep Dive into Singapore's Shopping Basket**

A Visual Exploration of Singapore's Consumer Price Index
Over the Years

Impetus

A DEEP DIVE INTO SINGAPORE

- The Consumer Price Index (CPI) is designed to measure the average price changes of a fixed basket of consumption goods and services commonly purchased by the resident households over time. It is an important barometer of overall economic health and is widely used in many countries as a measure of consumer price inflation and a proxy for the cost of living.

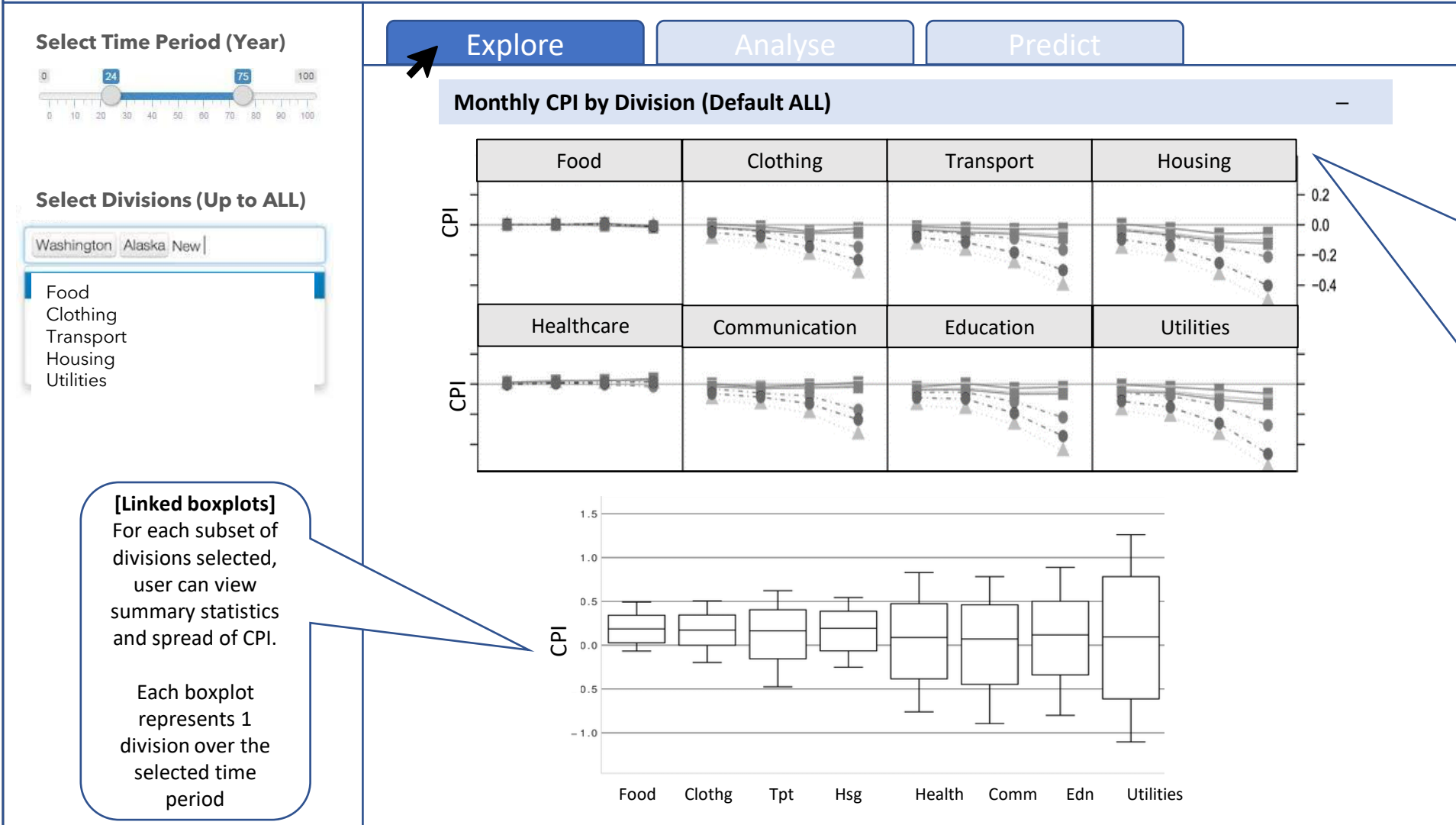
INTRO

- Over the past 2 years, the COVID-19 pandemic has severely affected the global supply and movement of goods; and affected the way people are able to access and consume services. We would like to make use of a range of visualisation techniques and visual analytics to reveal the impact of this unprecedented global crisis on the cost of living in Singapore.
- With this R Shiny, users will be able to:
 - 1) Explore the CPI changes in Singapore at the Division level (e.g. Food, Transport, Utilities, Housing, Healthcare) from 2012 to 2021.
 - 2) Visualise:
 - a. Rate CPI change of different Divisions over time
 - b. Changes in average retail prices of food items over time
 - 3) Analyse the Autocorrelation and Seasonality Effects of CPI at the Division level
 - 4) Predict future CPI of different Divisions

EXPLORE: HIGH LEVEL OVERVIEW OF CPI DISTRIBUTION BY DIVISION

For all pages, we will be using
Tab 4: Consumer Price Index (CPI), 2019 As Base Year, Monthly unless otherwise stated

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[Linked boxplots]
 For each subset of divisions selected, user can view summary statistics and spread of CPI.

Each boxplot represents 1 division over the selected time period

User can explore can compare time series of different divisions.

Default view will be ALL 12 divisions and 4 years (2018-2021)

User can zoom in to different time periods or different subset of division categories by using the slider and drop down menu (multi-select)

EXPLORE: VISUALISING CHANGE

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Select Time Period (Year)

Explore

Analyse

Predict

Percentage Change of Monthly CPIs

Label

Select Division

- Food
- Clothing
- Transport
- Housing
- Utilities

Avg Price of Selected Retail Item

Category

Select Item

Nov

Dec

Jan

Feb

Mar

Year	High	Low
2012	30.41	23.96
2011	26.91	22.91
2010	24.92	19.94
2009	21.86	19.42
2008	21.44	18.92
2007	23.22	18.35
2006	20.72	17.89
2005	20.88	17.04
2004	19.83	16.54

User can select multiple Divisions to view rate of change of CPI for those Divisions over the time period

[Within Food Division] User can select different Categories/items to view cyclical patterns of change for the retail price of that item over the time period

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TIME SERIES ANALYSIS: AUTOCORRELATION AND SEASONALITY

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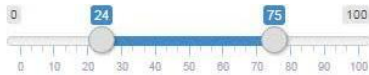
Correlation Analysis

Select Primary Category

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- Food
- Clothing
- Transport
- Housing
- Utilities

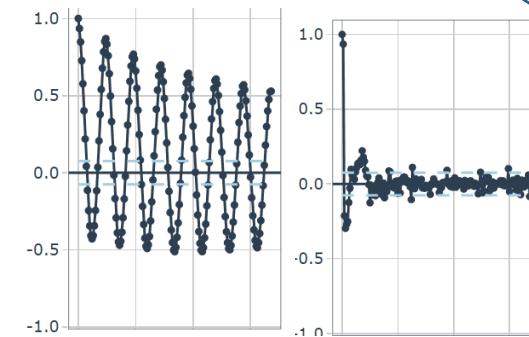
Select Time Period (Year)



Selected Item Category



Auto & Partial Correlation



Analyse relation between selected category's current value vs past values
Partial Correlation controls for other lags

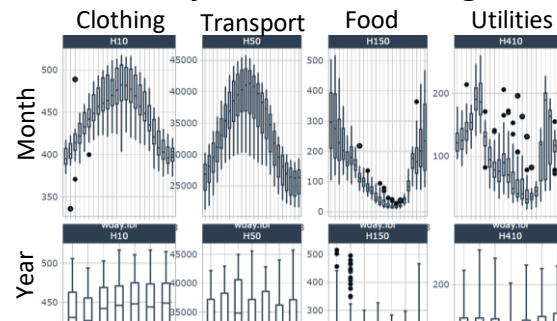
Seasonality Analysis

Select Comparables (up to 3)

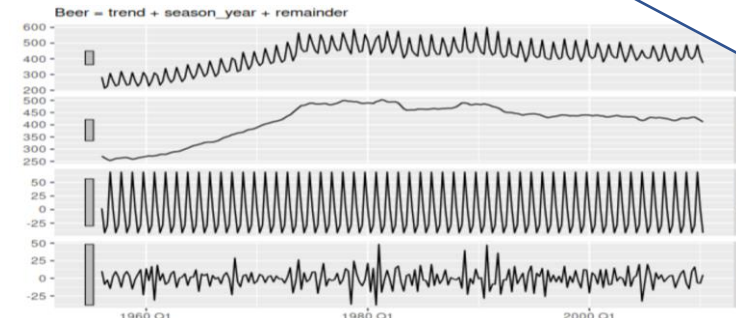
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- Food
- Clothing
- Transport
- Food
- Utilities

Seasonality of different categories



Seasonal and Trend Decomposition



Decompose time series to separately observe the "season" and "trend" components from the "observed" values leaving the "remainder".

Compare impact of seasonality on different category types e.g. clothing vs transport

TIME SERIES ANALYSIS: FORECASTING

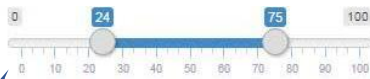
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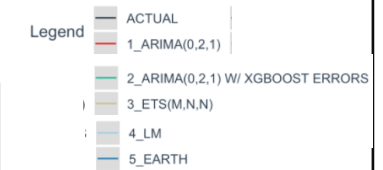
Predict

Select Time Period (Year)



Forecast CPI (ALL)

Forecast Plot



Forecast selected category

Select Category

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Food
Clothing
Transport

Select Forecast Model

Washington Alaska New

ARIMA
LM



Accuracy Table

.model_id	.model_desc	.type	mae	mape	mase	smape	rmse	rsq
1	ARIMA(0,2,1)	Test	1.18	23.86	16.75	20.69	1.34	0.39
2	ARIMA(0,2,1) W/ XGBOOST ERRORS	Test	1.58	31.77	22.43	26.81	1.70	0.39
3	ETS(M,N,N)	Test	0.47	9.55	6.69	9.01	0.53	NA
4	LM	Test	2.05	40.22	29.04	50.45	2.06	0.39
5	EARTH	Test	3.17	63.55	44.93	46.38	3.44	0.42

Observe changes in predictions based on different time periods used
View forecasted data up to selected end date

Choose best model for selected category based on accuracy