San Francisco

Visual Data

The Map



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Crime In the City

Background

Can San Francisco's Police crime statistics enable data analysis and visualization to investigate the rate, type, and location of crimes in that city? The police department reports on 37 different types of crime but this report will roll them up into only 14 categories of crime.

Goal

What questions can be asked and answered about crime in San Francisco by this report? Well, what type of crime exactly occurs there and most often. Is one month different from the next month, in terms of the of the crimes committed? Are weekends more prone to crime events than week days? Are there certain times of the day more vulnerable than others? Does it appear that as it gets hotter in the summer, the crime rate goes up? Are there crime 'hotspots' and where do alot of crime take place?

Results

The visual barchart data were used to answer the above questions:

- It appears that the weekend, including Sunday, have the highest crime rate. This includes all day of Friday.

- Late in the evening and at night have the highest rate of crime, more so than during any other part of the day. This is because of the high rate of theft that occurs at night.

- People assaulting each other appears to be more of a problem than policing drugs. Since assaults can stem from crimes of passion, alcoholic incidences, angry encounters or attempted robbery/theft by drug addicts, I now understand why the arrest numbers would be larger.
- Looking at the interactive map of San Francisco that shows reported sites of crime, a large number of the crimes occurred in the norteastern part of the city. That area is differently a crime 'hotspot'
- Only three months' worth of crime statistics were used to produce these findings. The months were June, July and August of 2014. August had the highest number of crimes committed while june had the least. It does seem to prove the belief that crime goes up as the weather goes up.

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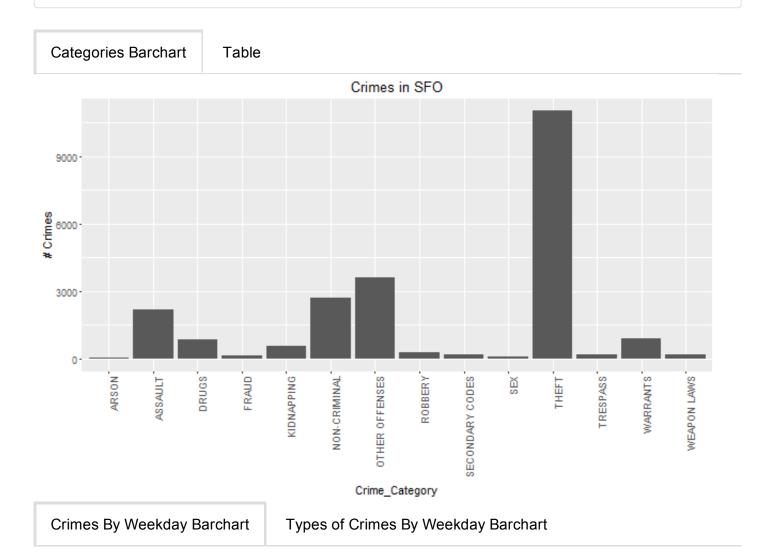
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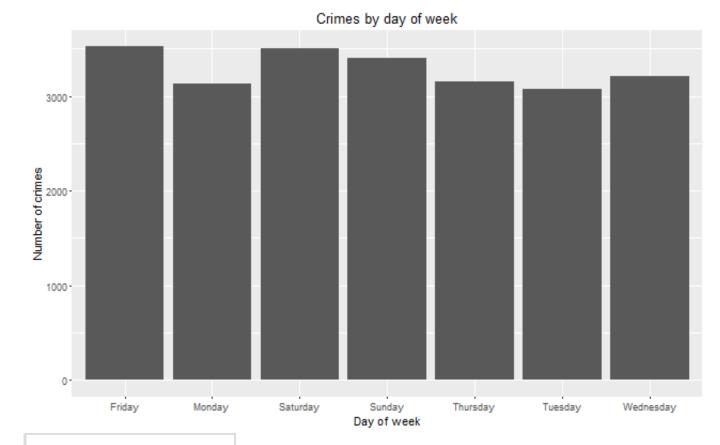
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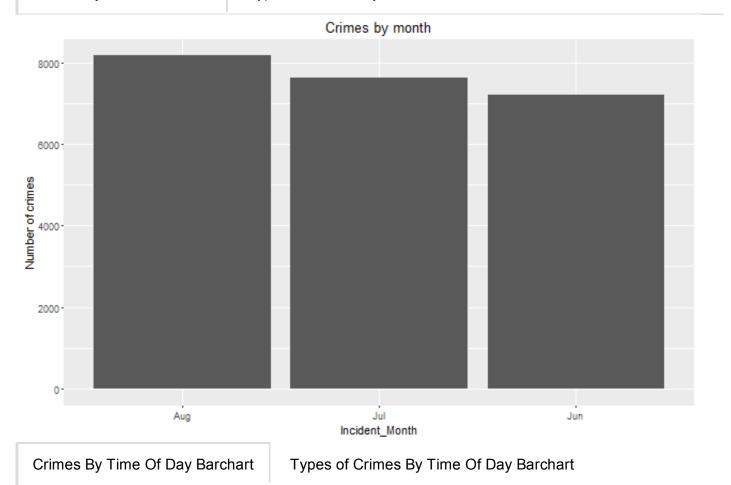
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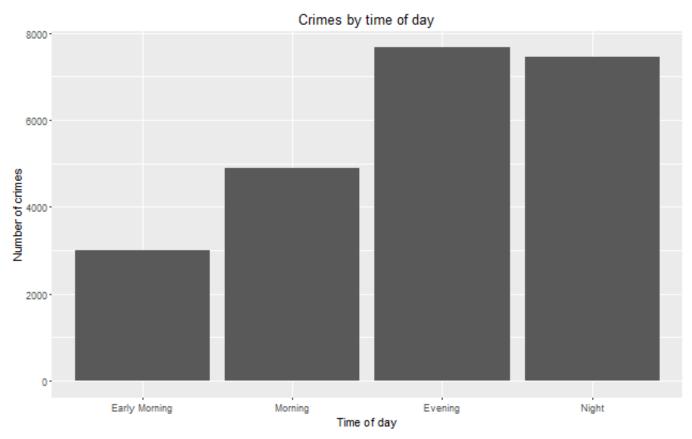




Crimes By Month Barchart

Types of Crimes By Month Barchart





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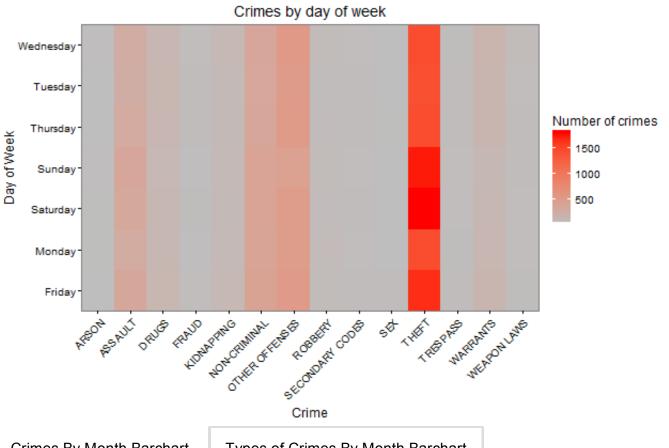
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51	DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE
675	DRUG/NARCOTIC
90	DRUNKENNESS
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5	EXTORTION
8	FAMILY OFFENSES
16	FORGERY/COUNTERFEITING
143	FRAUD
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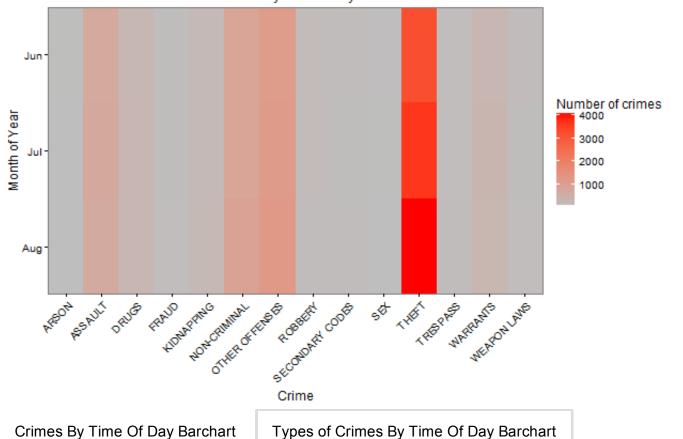
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24	LIQUOR LAWS	
3	LOITERING	
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2415	OTHER OFFENSES	
0	PORNOGRAPHY/OBSCENE MAT	
72	PROSTITUTION	
262	ROBBERY	
44	RUNAWAY	
202	SECONDARY CODES	
4	STOLEN PROPERTY	
14	SUICIDE	
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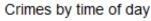
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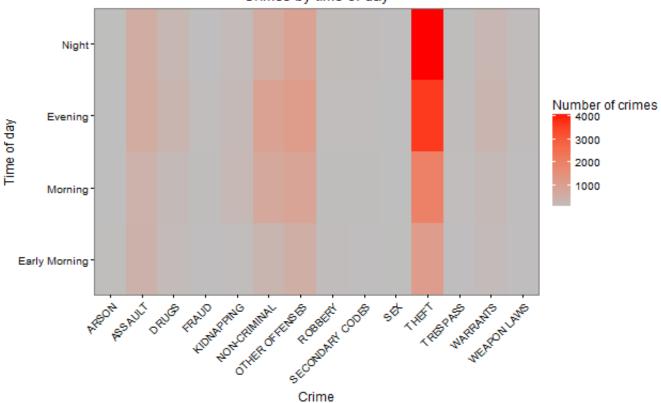
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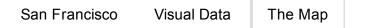














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Map exploration

Top Crimes in San Francisco

