Amusement Park Injuries

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TidyTuesday

These data are from the #TidyTuesday (10 Sept 2019) project. #TidyTuesday is a weekly data project aimed at the R ecosystem. As this project was borne out of the R4DS Online Learning Community and the R for Data Science textbook, an emphasis was placed on understanding how to summarize and arrange data to make meaningful charts with ggplot2, tidyr, dplyr, and other tools in the tidyverse ecosystem.

The intent of Tidy Tuesday is to provide a safe and supportive forum for individuals to practice their wrangling and data visualization skills independent of drawing conclusions. While we understand that the two are related, the focus of this practice is purely on building skills with real-world data.

Amusement Park Injuries

This particular dataset is from the SaferParks Database.

A lot of free text in these data, some inconsistent NAs (n/a, N/A) and dates (ymd, dmy). A good chance to do some data cleaning and then take a look at frequency, type of injury, and analyze free text.

safer_parks <- readr::read_csv("https://raw.githubusercontent.com/rfordatascience/tidytuesday/master/da
glimpse(safer_parks)</pre>

```
## Observations: 8,351
## Variables: 23
## $ acc_id
                          <dbl> 1005813, 1004032, 1007658, 1007098, 1000094, 1...
## $ acc_date
                          <chr> "6/12/2010", "6/12/2010", "7/10/2010", "7/10/2...
                          <chr> "OH", "OH", "CA", "CA", "CO", "WI", "WI", "CO"...
## $ acc_state
## $ acc_city
                          <chr> "Cleveland", "Cleveland", "Anaheim", "Carlsbad...
## $ fix_port
                          <chr> "F", "P", "F", "F", "F", "F", "P", "F", "P", "...
                          <chr> "Ohio Dept. of Agriculture", "United States Co...
## $ source
                          <chr> "Sports or recreation facility", "Sports or re...
## $ bus_type
                          <chr> "recreation", "recreation", "amusement ride", ...
## $ industry_sector
                          <chr> "inflatable", "inflatable", "water ride", "flo...
## $ device_category
## $ device_type
                          <chr> "Inflatable slide", "Inflatable slide", "Boat ...
## $ tradename_or_generic <chr>> "inflatable slide", "inflatable slide", "boat ...
## $ manufacturer
                          <chr> "Scherba Industries / Inflatable Images", "Sch...
                          <dbl> 9, 8, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 20, 1, 1, 2, 1, 1, 1, 1, ...
## $ num_injured
                          <dbl> NA, 54, 37, 37, NA, 12, 16, NA, 14, NA, 16, 36...
## $ age_youngest
                          <chr> NA, "M", "F", "F", "M", "F", "F", NA, "M", NA,...
## $ gender
                          <chr> "Inflatable slide tipped over while 7-9 patron...
## $ acc_desc
                          <chr> "The man who was crushed by the device died 9 ...
## $ injury_desc
```

The safer_parks dataset contains 8351 incidents that were recorded from 17 different types of parks.

```
safer_parks %>% dplyr::count(bus_type, sort = TRUE, name = "number_of_incidents")
```

```
## # A tibble: 17 x 2
                                    number of incidents
##
      bus_type
##
      <chr>>
                                                   <int>
## 1 Amusement park
                                                    3667
## 2 Water park
                                                    1767
## 3 Carnival or rental
                                                     701
## 4 Trampoline park
                                                     698
## 5 Family entertainment center
                                                     484
                                                     228
## 6 Go kart track
## 7 Sports or recreation facility
                                                     178
## 8 Mountain resort
                                                     174
## 9 School or church
                                                      95
## 10 City or county park
                                                      90
                                                      86
## 11 Adventure course
## 12 Zoo or museum
                                                      61
## 13 Mall, store or restaurant
                                                      53
## 14 Pool waterslide
                                                      27
## 15 Unknown
                                                      19
## 16 Camp
                                                      14
## 17 Other
                                                       9
```

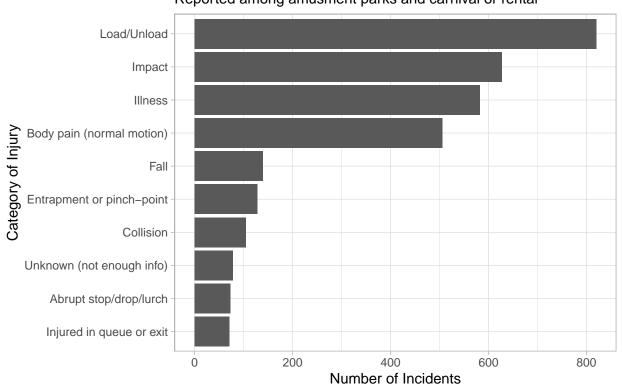
For our analysis, I wanted to focus on the amusement park industry. The first thing I did was filter these data to only include incidents from either an *Amusement park* or *Carnival or rental* when the industry sector was listed as *amusement ride*.

The resulting dataset contains 3438 incidents that we will further analyze.

Type of Injury

Let's first look at the 10 most common types of injuries:

Ten Most Common Types of Injuries Reported among amusment parks and carnival or rental



Injury According to State

Now let's look at the most common states where injuries happen:

```
dat %>% count(acc_state, sort = TRUE)
## # A tibble: 33 x 2
```

```
## acc_state n
## <chr> <int>
## 1 CA 2067
## 2 PA 494
## 3 NJ 143
```

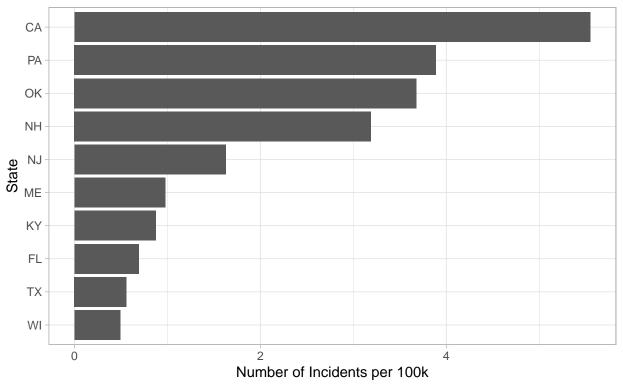
```
##
    4 TX
                   141
##
  5 OK
                   138
##
   6 FL
                   130
                   43
##
  7 IL
## 8 NH
                   42
## 9 MI
                   39
## 10 KY
                   38
## # ... with 23 more rows
```

Although interesting, this may be misleading given the population differences between these states. For example, Pennsylvania is substantially smaller in population than California, yet it has almost 1/2 of the number of incidents. To better understand these data, we will pull in state population data from the 2010 decennial US Census and match state names with the built in state abbreviations.

```
st_crosswalk <- tibble(state = state.name) %>%
  bind_cols(tibble(abb = state.abb))
state_pop <- as_tibble(tidycensus::get_decennial(geography = "state",</pre>
                           variables = "P001001") %>% select(state = NAME, pop = value)) %>%
 left_join(st_crosswalk, by = "state") %>% select(state = abb, pop)
state_dat <- left_join(dat%>% count(acc_state), state_pop, by = c("acc_state" = "state"))
state_dat %>%
  mutate(incident_per_100k = ((n / pop)*100000),
         acc_state = fct_reorder(acc_state, incident_per_100k)) %>%
  top_n(n=10) %>%
  ggplot(aes(acc_state, incident_per_100k)) +
  geom_col() +
  coord_flip() +
  labs(x = "State",
       y = "Number of Incidents per 100k",
       title = "Ten States with highest per-capa incidents",
       subtitle = "Reported among amusment parks and carnival or rental")
```

Ten States with highest per-capa incidents

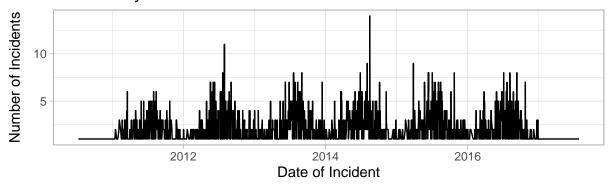
Reported among amusment parks and carnival or rental



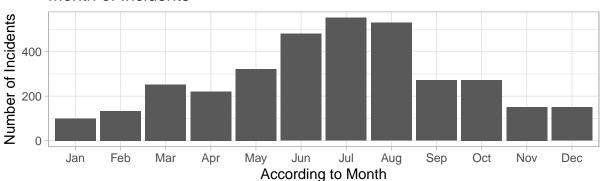
Injury According to Date

Next, we will look when the injuries tend to cluster. We would expect injuries to cluster around the summer time as it is the most likely time that people tend to go to amusement parks.

Seasonality of Incidents



Month of Incidents



Injury by device category

```
dat %>% count(device_category, sort = TRUE)
```

```
## # A tibble: 7 x 2
##
     device_category
                             n
     <chr>>
                         <int>
## 1 coaster
                          1162
## 2 spinning
                           834
## 3 cars & track rides
                           554
## 4 water ride
                           507
## 5 other attraction
                           167
## 6 pendulum
                           122
## 7 vertical drop
                            92
```

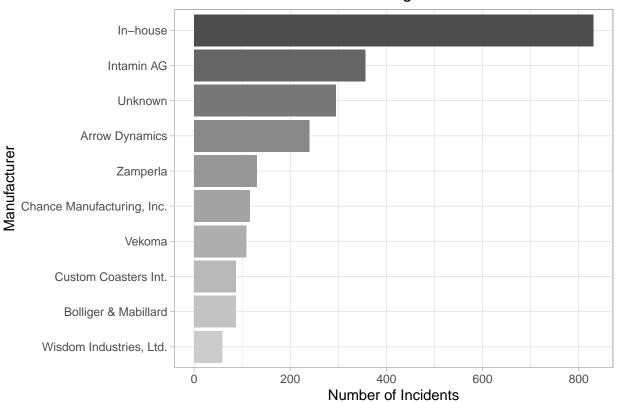
Injury by manufacturer

Next we will look at the incidents by manufacturer.

```
dat %>%
  count(manufacturer, sort = TRUE) %>%
  mutate(manufacturer = fct_reorder(manufacturer, n)) %>%
  top_n(n = 10) %>%
  ggplot(aes(manufacturer, n, fill = manufacturer)) +
```

```
geom_col(show.legend = FALSE)+
coord_flip() +
scale_fill_grey(start = 0.8, end = 0.3) +
labs(x = "Manufacturer",
    y = "Number of Incidents",
    title = "Ten Manufacturers with the Highest Incidents")
```

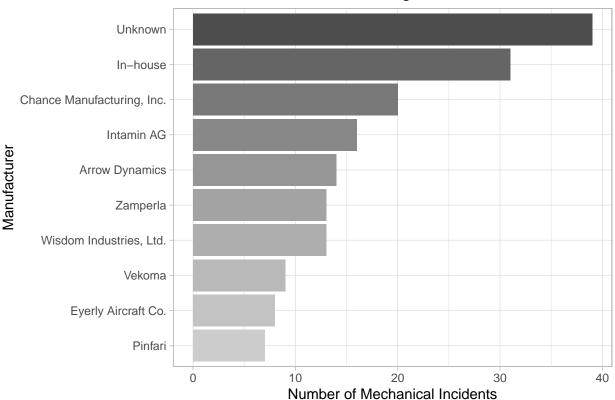
Ten Manufacturers with the Highest Incidents



It appears that *in-house* made amusement rides have the highest reported number of incidents.

A Column also lists if an incident was related to a mechanical issue, let's look at the manufacturers with the highest reported mechanical issues.





Injury Text Analysis

Types of Injury

Q: What types of injuries occur most often?

For text analysis, we will use the {tidytext} package. First, we need to isolate the injury text and *tokenize* it. This function splits each row so that one token (word) is in each row. Additionally, punctuation is removed and words are converted to lowercase. I have also removed numbers.

```
injury_tokens <- dat %>%
  select(acc_id, injury_desc) %>%
  unnest_tokens(word, injury_desc) %>%
  filter(is.na(as.numeric(word)))
```

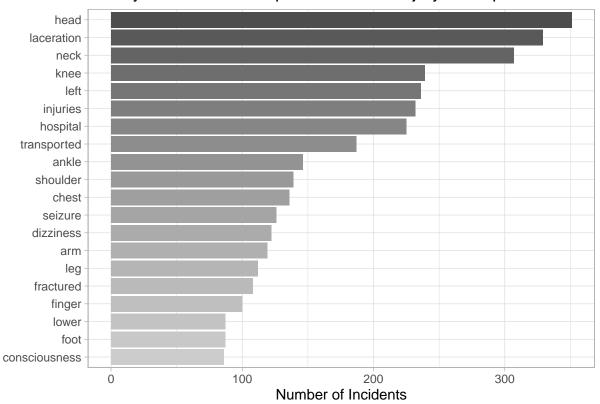
Next, we will remove *stop words*, or words that are extremely common such as "the", "of", "to", etc. I have also removed the words *injury* and *pain* as they are not descriptive for our purposes and appear to be commonly used in the injury description.

```
data(stop_words)
my_stop_words <- c("injury", "pain")
injury_tokens <- injury_tokens %>% anti_join(stop_words) %>% filter(!word %in% my_stop_words)
```

Barplot

We can use three visualizations to understand this a little easier. The first is a barplot showing the 20 most commonly used words when describing the injury.

Twenty most common reported words in injury description



Wordcloud

The second is a wordcloud showing the frequency that words appear in the injury description column.

```
injury_tokens %>% count(word) %>% with(wordcloud(word, n, max.words = 100))
```



Bi-gram graph

The third type of visualization is the relationships between words (n-grams). We are looking at how often words co-occur in these data.

```
## # A tibble: 1,604 x 2
##
      bigram
                            number_of_incidents
##
      <chr>
                                           <int>
   1 chipped tooth
                                              35
                                              34
    2 left knee
##
   3 blood pressure
                                              26
## 4 fractured arm
                                              21
```

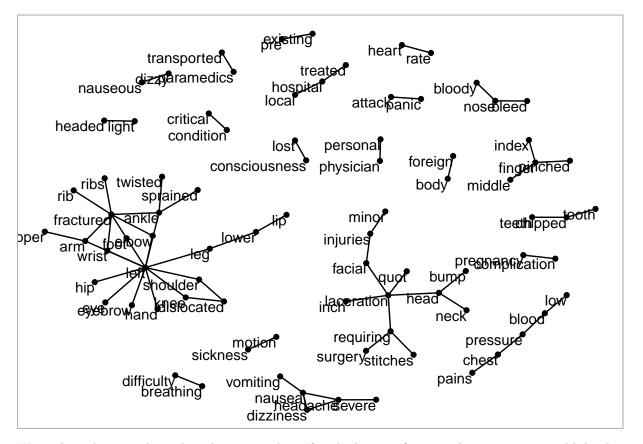
```
5 left shoulder
                                              20
    6 difficulty breathing
                                              19
##
    7 dislocated knee
                                              17
                                              17
##
    8 dislocated shoulder
##
    9 left arm
                                              16
## 10 requiring stitches
                                              16
## # ... with 1,594 more rows
```

We can visually look at how these words relate (cluster) together through the use of a bigram graph.

```
bigram_graph <- injury_bigrams_filtered %>% count(word1, word2, sort = TRUE) %>%
  filter(n > 5) %>%
  igraph::graph_from_data_frame()

set.seed(2020)

ggraph(bigram_graph, layout = "fr") +
  geom_edge_link() +
  geom_node_point() +
  geom_node_text(aes(label = name), vjust = 1, hjust = 1)
```



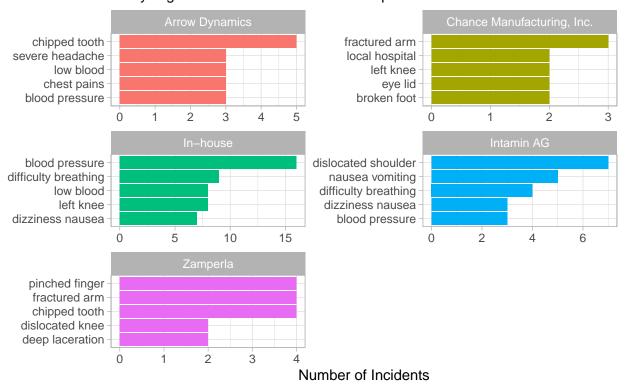
We see how these words tend to cluster together. If we had a specific research question, we could dig deeper into these.

Types of Injury by Manufacturer

Q: What injuries are most often associated with what manufacturers? We can organize these data to look at the most common injuries reported by manufacturer as well.

```
injury_bigrams_unite <- injury_bigrams_filtered %>%
  unite(bigram, word1, word2, sep = " ")
manuf_of_interest <- injury_bigrams_unite %>%
  count(manufacturer, sort = TRUE) %>%
  filter(manufacturer != "Unknown") %>%
  slice(1:5)
injury_bigrams_unite %>%
  filter(manufacturer %in% manuf_of_interest$manufacturer) %>%
  count(manufacturer, bigram, sort = TRUE) %>%
  arrange(manufacturer, desc(n)) %>%
  group_by(manufacturer) %>%
  slice(1:5) %>%
  ungroup() %>%
  mutate(manufacturer = as.factor(manufacturer),
         bigram = reorder_within(bigram, n, manufacturer)) %>%
  ggplot(aes(bigram, n, order = -n, fill = manufacturer)) +
  geom_col(show.legend = FALSE) +
  scale_x_reordered() +
  labs(x = NULL, y = "Number of Incidents",
       title = "Most common injuries reported by manufacturer",
       subtitle = "Analysing manufacturers with five most reported incidents") +
                                                                                   facet_wrap(~manufact
  coord flip()
```

Most common injuries reported by manufacturer Analysing manufacturers with five most reported incidents



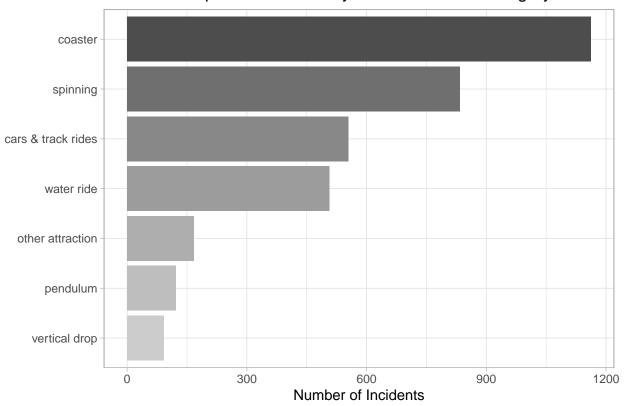
Types of Injury by Device Category

Q: Are certain types of rides more dangerous?

```
dat %>% count(device_type, name = "number_of_injuries", sort = TRUE)
## # A tibble: 52 x 2
##
      device_type
                              number_of_injuries
##
      <chr>
                                            <int>
##
   1 Coaster - steel
                                              860
##
   2 Track ride
                                              302
   3 Coaster - wooden
                                              208
##
  4 Flume ride
                                              170
## 5 Boat ride
                                              156
## 6 Carousel
                                              101
##
  7 Rafting ride
                                               95
  8 Coaster - family/kiddie
                                               92
   9 Drop tower
                                               90
## 10 Bumper car
                                               87
## # ... with 42 more rows
```

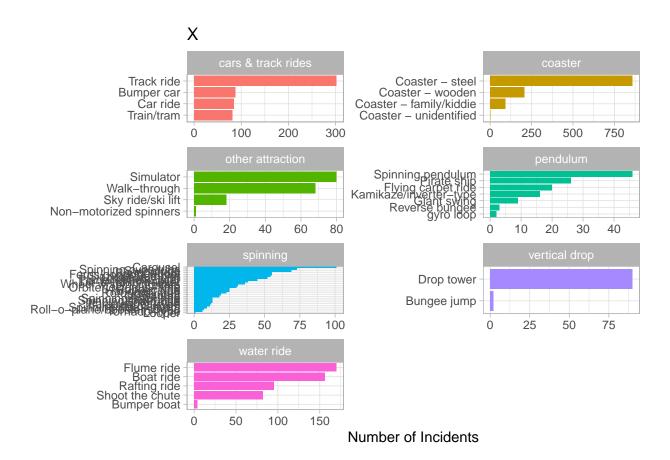
```
dat %>%
  count(device_category) %>%
  mutate(device_category = fct_reorder(device_category, n)) %>%
  ggplot(aes(device_category, n, fill = device_category)) +
```

Number of reported incidents by amusement ride category



Clearly, there are more incidents that involve *Coaster* rides. We could also expand the device categories to see what device types are creating the most number of incidents.

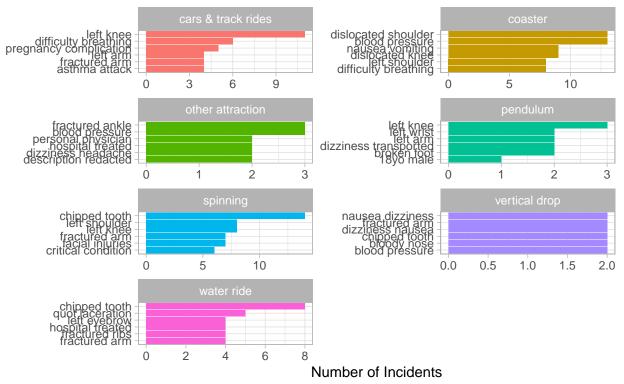
Types of Injury by Device Type



Injury Description by Device Category.

```
injury_bigrams_unite %>%
  count(device_category, bigram, sort = TRUE) %>%
  arrange(device_category, desc(n)) %>%
  group_by(device_category) %>%
  slice(1:6) %>%
  ungroup() %>%
  mutate(device_category = as.factor(device_category),
         bigram = reorder_within(bigram, n, device_category)) %>%
  ggplot(aes(bigram, n, order = -n, fill = device_category)) +
  geom_col(show.legend = FALSE) +
  scale x reordered() +
  labs(x = NULL, y = "Number of Incidents",
       title = "Most common injuries reported by device types",
       subtitle = "Analysing device categories with six most reported bigrams") +
  facet_wrap(~device_category, ncol = 2, scales = "free") +
  coord_flip()
```

Most common injuries reported by device types Analysing device categories with six most reported bigrams



These make sense, it is interesting to see that the majority of the injuries occur on the left side of individuals. This could be due to the reporting practices (in fact, no 'right' side injuries were reported at all) or due to some other commonality of rides (perhaps they all swing in the same direction).

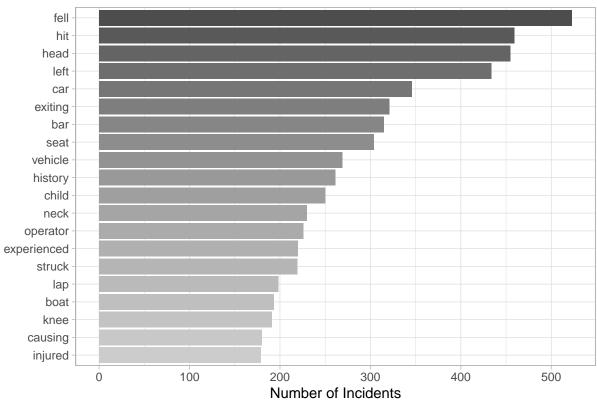
Accident Text Analyis

Q: What types of accidents occur most requently?

We will use the same text analysis process that we used previously to see if we can find patterns in the accident descriptions according to incident.

Barplot

Twenty most common reported words in the accident description



Wordcloud

```
acc_tokens %>% count(word) %>% with(wordcloud(word, n, max.words = 100))
```



Bi-gram graph

2 pre existing

4 blood pressure
5 left shoulder

6 existing medical

3 left knee

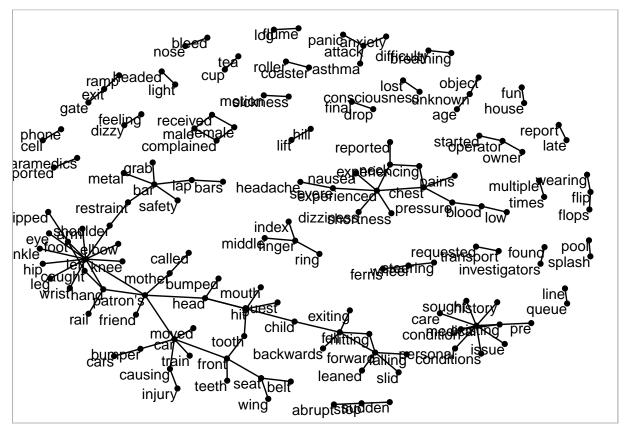
```
acc_bigrams <- dat %>%
  unnest_tokens(bigram, acc_desc, token = "ngrams", n = 2)
acc bigrams sep <- acc bigrams %>%
  separate(bigram, c("word1", "word2"), sep = " ")
acc_bigrams_filtered <- acc_bigrams_sep %>%
  filter(!word1 %in% c(stop_words$word, my_stop_words),
         !word2 %in% c(stop_words$word, my_stop_words),
         !is.na(word1),
         is.na(as.numeric(word1)),
         is.na(as.numeric(word2)))
acc_bigrams_filtered %>% unite(bigram, word1, word2, sep = " ") %>% count(bigram, name = "number_of_inc
## # A tibble: 4,967 x 2
##
      bigram
                        number_of_incidents
##
      <chr>
                                       <int>
   1 lap bar
                                         181
```

68

60 49

35 33

```
7 medical condition
                                          31
                                          29
##
   8 left arm
   9 left ankle
                                          27
## 10 left hand
                                          27
## # ... with 4,957 more rows
acc_bigram_graph <- acc_bigrams_filtered %>% count(word1, word2, sort = TRUE) %>%
  filter(n > 5) %>%
  igraph::graph_from_data_frame()
set.seed(2020)
ggraph(acc_bigram_graph, layout = "fr") +
  geom_edge_link() +
  geom_node_point() +
  geom_node_text(aes(label = name), vjust = 1, hjust = 1)
```



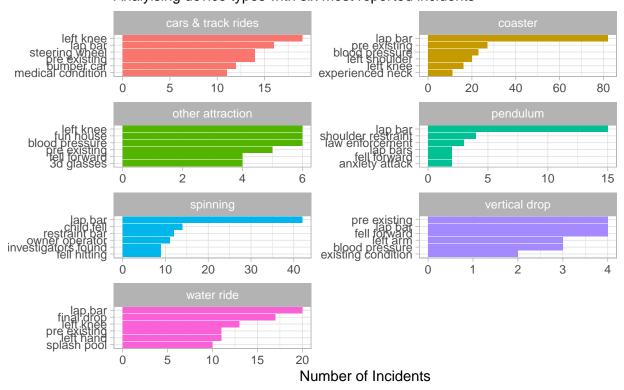
We see how these words tend to cluster together. If we had a specific research question, we could dig deeper into these.

Accident Description by Device Category.

```
acc_bigrams_unite <- acc_bigrams_filtered %>%
unite(bigram, word1, word2, sep = " ")
```

```
manuf_of_interest <- acc_bigrams_unite %>%
  count(manufacturer, sort = TRUE) %>%
  filter(manufacturer != "Unknown") %>%
  slice(1:5)
acc_bigrams_unite %>%
  count(device_category, bigram, sort = TRUE) %>%
  arrange(device category, desc(n)) %>%
  group_by(device_category) %>%
  slice(1:6) %>%
  ungroup() %>%
  mutate(device_category = as.factor(device_category),
         bigram = reorder_within(bigram, n, device_category)) %>%
  ggplot(aes(bigram, n, order = -n, fill = device_category)) +
  geom_col(show.legend = FALSE) +
  scale_x_reordered() +
  labs(x = NULL, y = "Number of Incidents",
       title = "Most common accidents reported by device types",
       subtitle = "Analyising device types with six most reported incidents") +
  facet_wrap(~device_category, ncol = 2, scales = "free") +
  coord flip()
```

Most common accidents reported by device types Analysing device types with six most reported incidents



It appears that the lap bar tends to be the biggest cause of accidents among all of the device types (except *Other Attraction*).