# Is Crime Really On A Rise In Toronto? An Analysis of The Past And Current Crime Rates of Toronto\*

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Current mainstream news outlets are pushing a narrative that crime in Toronto is on a rise.

### 1 Introduction

You can and should cross-reference sections and sub-sections.

The remainder of this paper is structured as follows. Section 2....

### 2 Data

The data utilized throughout this paper was obtained through the City of Toronto's Some of our data is of penguins (?@fig-bills), from (palmerpenguins?).

Talk more about it.

And also planes (?@fig-planes). (You can change the height and width, but don't worry about doing that until you have finished every other aspect of the paper - Quarto will try to make it look nice and the defaults usually work well once you have enough text.)

Talk way more about it.

<sup>\*</sup>Code and data are available at: LINK.

# 3 Model

The goal of our modelling strategy is twofold. Firstly,...

Here we briefly describe the Bayesian analysis model used to investigate... Background details and diagnostics are included in Appendix B.

### 3.1 Model set-up

Define  $y_i$  as the number of seconds that the plane remained aloft. Then  $\beta_i$  is the wing width and  $\gamma_i$  is the wing length, both measured in millimeters.

$$\text{Percentage Change} = \left(\frac{\text{New Value} - \text{Old Value}}{\text{Old Value}}\right) \times 100$$

$$y_i | \mu_i, \sigma \sim \text{Normal}(\mu_i, \sigma)$$
 (1)

$$\mu_i = \alpha + \beta_i + \gamma_i \tag{2}$$

$$\alpha \sim \text{Normal}(0, 2.5)$$
 (3)

$$\beta \sim \text{Normal}(0, 2.5)$$
 (4)

$$\gamma \sim \text{Normal}(0, 2.5)$$
 (5)

$$\sigma \sim \text{Exponential}(1)$$
 (6)

We run the model in R (R Core Team 2023) using the rstanarm package of (rstanarm?). We use the default priors from rstanarm.

### 3.1.1 Model justification

We expect a positive relationship between the size of the wings and time spent aloft. In particular...

We can use maths by including latex between dollar signs, for instance  $\theta$ .

## 4 Results

Our results are summarized in Figure 1.

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dbl (2): year, average\_rate

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# Average Crime Rates by Type Across Years (2014–2023)

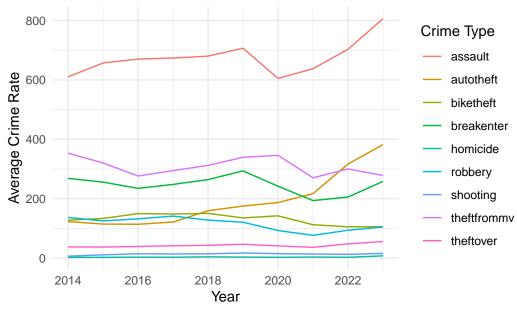


Figure 1: Average Crime Rates

Rows: 81 Columns: 4

-- Column specification ------

Delimiter: ","
chr (1): crime

dbl (3): year, average\_rate, percentage\_change

Table 1: Explanatory models of flight time based on wing width and wing length

Table 2: Explanatory models of flight time based on wing width and wing length

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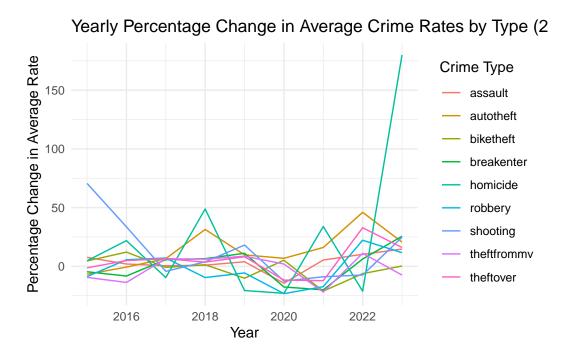


Figure 2: Average Crime Rates

### 5 Discussion

### 5.1 First discussion point

If my paper were 10 pages, then should be be at least 2.5 pages. The discussion is a chance to show off what you know and what you learnt from all this.

# 5.2 Second discussion point

# 5.3 Third discussion point

# 5.4 Weaknesses and next steps

Weaknesses and next steps should also be included.

# **Appendix**

# A Additional data details

## **B** Model details

## **B.1** Posterior predictive check

In  $\mathbf{?@fig\text{-}ppcheckandposteriorvsprior}\mathbf{-1}$  we implement a posterior predictive check. This shows...

In **?@fig-ppcheckandposteriorvsprior-2** we compare the posterior with the prior. This shows...

# **B.2 Diagnostics**

?@fig-stanareyouokay-1 is a trace plot. It shows... This suggests...

?@fig-stanareyouokay-2 is a Rhat plot. It shows... This suggests...

# References

R Core Team. 2023. R: A Language and Environment for Statistical Computing. Vienna, Austria: R Foundation for Statistical Computing. https://www.R-project.org/.