

# Final Project: Part 1

## Lightning Talk

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# The Problem

- Inventory purchasing in jewelry stores
  - Buying sufficient stock in different price points
  - Buying sufficient stock in goods targeted to different age groups
  - Buying goods in the month that makes most sense for sales and payment due dates

# The Data

- **Consumer Expenditure Survey (2014)** from the *Bureau of Labor Statistics*
- Includes:
  - Month goods were purchased
  - How much was spent
  - Whether or not it was purchased as a gift
  - Who the item was purchased for (*Gender, Age range*)
  - Who purchased the item (*Gender, Age range*)
- Can be combined with corresponding data on region and buyer income for more in depth analysis



# The Hypothesis

- Men purchase higher priced gift items for women aged 16+ in December and lower priced items in February
- Women spend less on gifts than men and gifts are most often purchased for children
- If men are purchasing a non-gift item, it is more likely to be a high end watch than any other category (jewelry, low end watch)