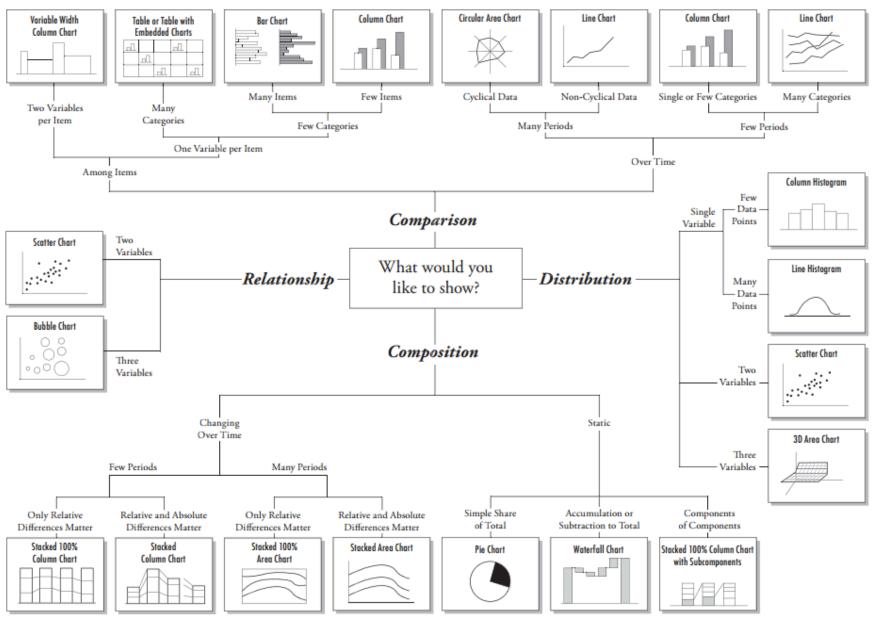


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Chart Suggestions—A Thought-Starter



Fractions of a Second: An Olympic Musical

At the Olympics, the blink of an eye can be all that separates the gold medalist from the 10th-place finisher. In some events, this is obvious. But in others, with athletes racing one by one, the closeness of the race is harder to perceive. Listen to the differences below.



Alpine skiing

The women's downhill course was extremely tiring, and, because it was more challenging than the men's course, it ended up separating the skiers by much larger margins. This pattern appears in the two speed events: the downhill and the super-G.

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Skeleton, Bobsled and Luge

In percentage terms, the men's skeleton had one of the tightest finishes in Vancouver, with only .07 of a second separating the top two finishers across a three-and-a-half-minute run. But the difficult track produced speeds higher than expected, and many sliding events had relatively large gaps between gold and silver.

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Where the Heat and the Thunder Hit Their Shots

The shooting patterns for the players on the Miami Heat and the Oklahoma City Thunder reveal where they are most dangerous on the court. Below, compare each player's strengths using court maps and analysis by Kirk Goldsberry, a geography professor at Michigan State. Related Article »

All Shots 3-Pointers Midrange Close Range Number of attempts Points per region

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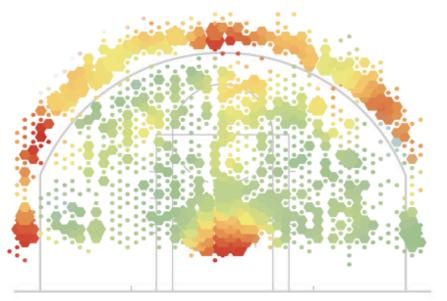
Miami Heat

TOTAL SHOTS 5,209 | POINTS PER SHOT 1.01 | F.G. PERCENT 47%

The Heat rely on player positioning to create isolation plays for LeBron James and Dwyane Wade, often on the left side. The Heat take many fewer 3-point shots than the Thunder.

Oklahoma City Thunder

TOTAL SHOTS 5,228 | POINTS PER SHOT 1.03 | F.G. PERCENT 47.1%



The Thunder are effective from almost any area on the court and shoot many more 3-point shots than the league average. Kevin Durant and James Harden are potent from the top of the arc.

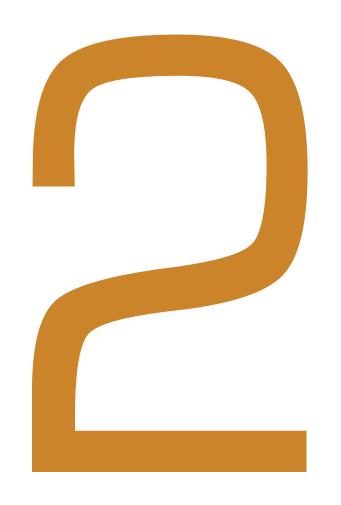


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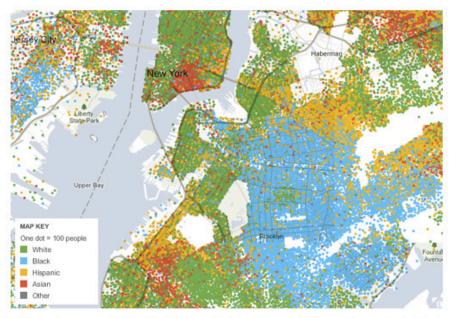


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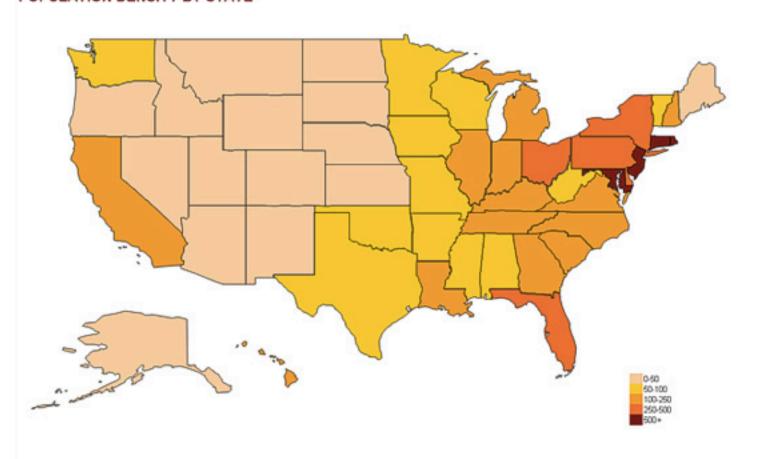
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Often, when you get data that is organized by geography — say, for example, food stamp rates in every county, high school graduation rates in every state, election results in every House district, racial and ethnic distributions in each census tract — the impulse is since the data **CAN** be mapped, the best way to present the data **MUST** be a map. You plug the data into ArcView, join it up with a shapefile, export to Illustrator, clean up the styles and voilà! Instant graphic ready to be published.

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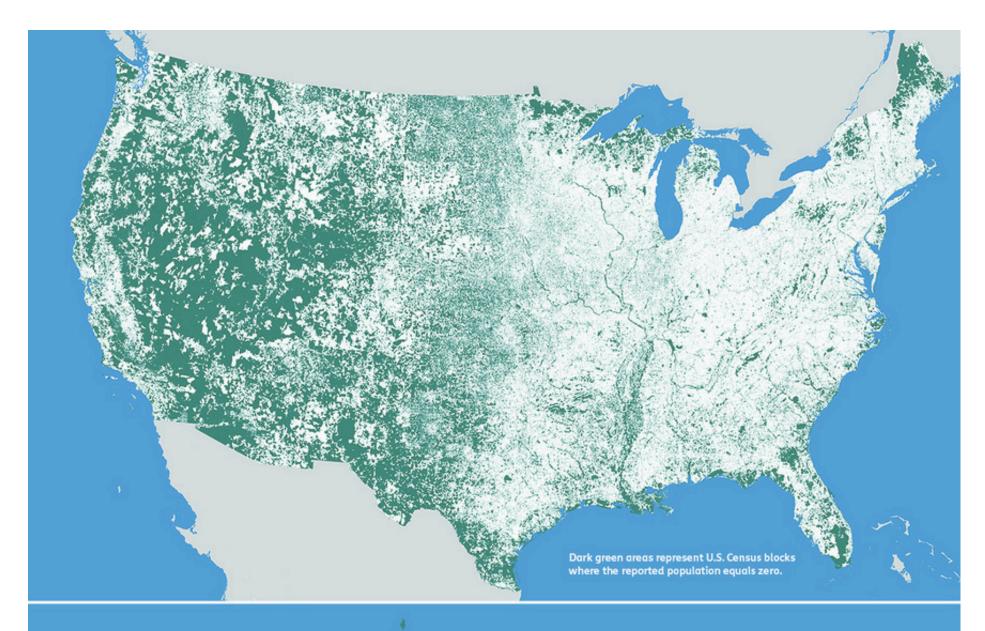
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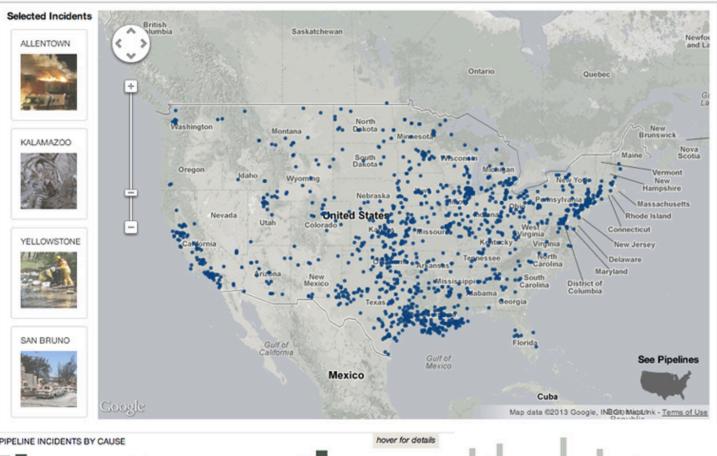
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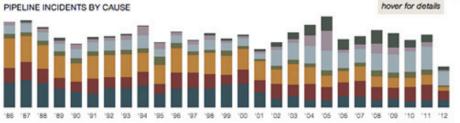
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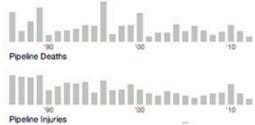
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Although they carry the vast majority of our oil and natural gas, the nation's 2.5 million miles of pipelines remain largely invisible to the public. And while they're much safer than alternatives such as trucks, pipelines suffer hundreds of ruptures and spills every year. Critics blame minimal oversight and old pipes for accidents that could have been prevented; operators maintain that they're committed to continuous improvement. Here we map accidents that regulators labeled "significant incidents" from 1986 to the present. | Related Story >







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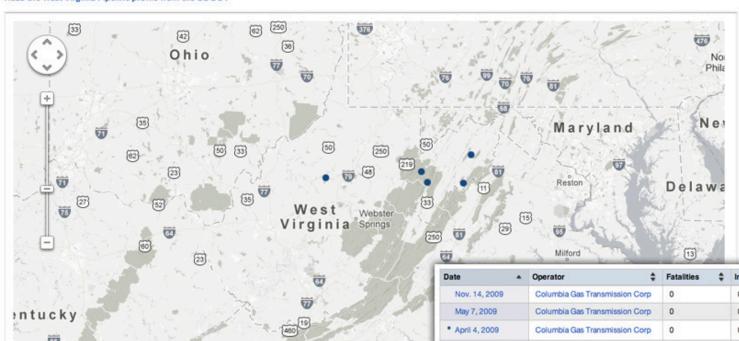
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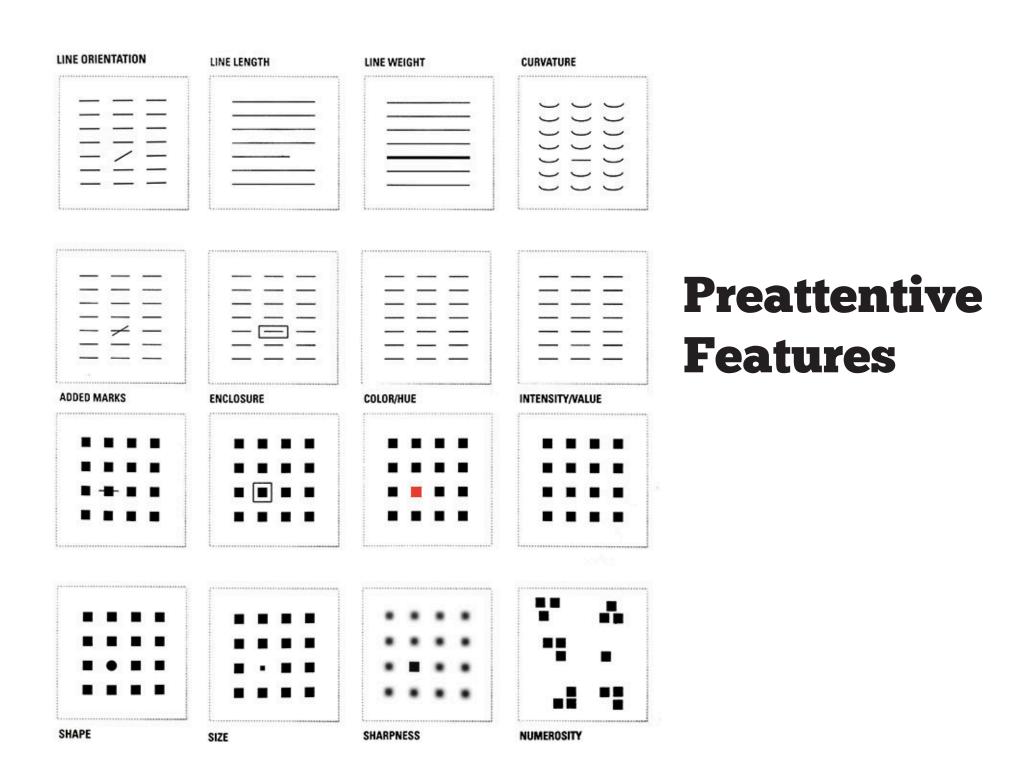
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March 24, 2009	Hampshire Gas Co	0	1	\$0
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Oct. 6, 2005	Equitrans, Lp	0	2	\$0
Aug. 18, 2005	Columbia Gas Transmission Corp	0	0	\$106K
July 30, 2005	Dominion Transmission, Inc	0	0	\$634K
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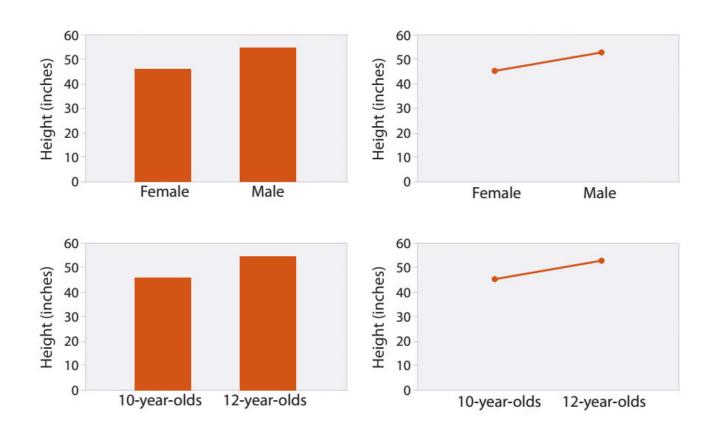


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by Lena Groeger and Cora Currier, ProPublica Sept. 13, 2012, 1:15 p.m.





Administration officials—often unnamed—frequently seem to celebrate drone strikes that kill suspected militants. But the administration has also worked against disclosures of less positive aspects of the CIA's program, including how many civilians have been killed. We've laid out four years of statements by current and former officials discussing the CIA's drone program, both on and off the record. (Most of these stories also include a "no comment" from the CIA or the White House.) Highlighted in red are the CIA's legal stances refusing to even acknowledge the program in response to Freedom of Information Act requests. | Related: How the Gov't Talks About a Drone Program it Won't Acknowledge Exists

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