

**Providing A Clear Vision on Data Analytics Since 2020** 



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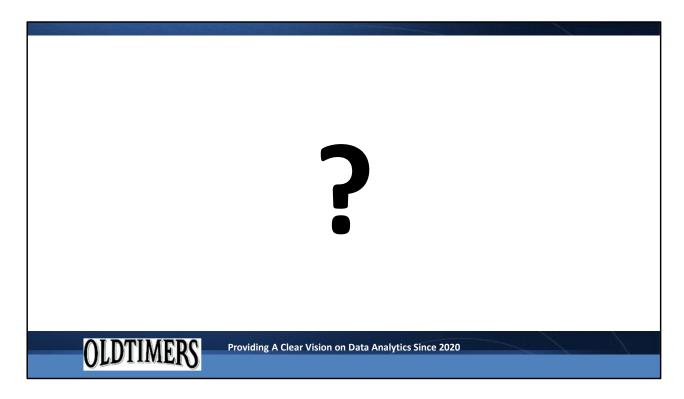
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### A. Question to group (Michael)

- Let's start off by asking a question
- Everyone raise your hand
- How many of you could predict who is going to win an election based on Census data?

## Theory

- Our theory:
  - · A Single demographic category is an effective predictor of which political party wins
    - Education
    - Median Income
    - Race
    - Median Home Value
    - Employment
    - Age



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## B. Theory (Nirmal)

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### Describe data sets used

- Data sets used
- 2016 Indiana election results by county Harvard Dataverse as maintained by the MIT Election Data and Science Lab
  - All 92 counties
  - 2016 Presidential Election between Hillary Clinton and Donald Trump
- 2016 annual American Community Survey (ACS) conducted by the U.S. Census
  - Used API
  - There were approximately 20,000 variables available to select
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## C. Describe data sets used (Allyson)

- Data sets used
- 2016 Indiana election results by county from Harvard Dataverse as maintained by the MIT Election Data and Science Lab
  - How many counties
  - What race/candidates
- 5-year continuous American Community Survey (ACS) covering 2012-2016 conducted by the U.S.
   Census
  - Used API

- ■There were approximately 20,000 different variables available to select
- ■Data was available by country, state, county, and other geographic categories
- ■We selected six broad categories
- Methodology
  - ■Reach of 3.5M households per year
- ■Data cleanup & restructuring
  - Merging
  - Column headings
  - Finding correct Census codes to specific categories we wanted

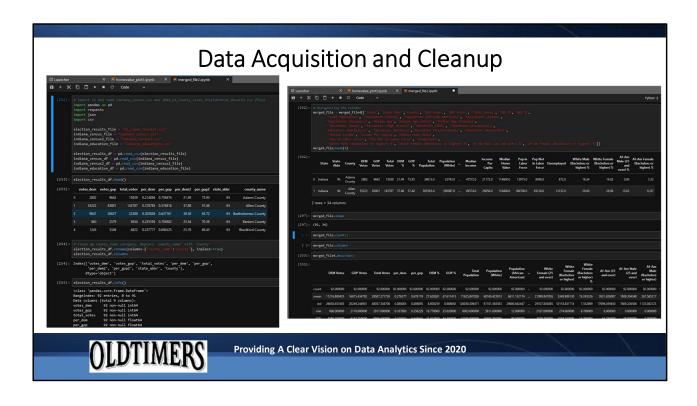
# Data Acquisition and Cleanup

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# Census API Key
from config import census_api_key
c = census_census_api_key, year=2016)
import pandas as pd

In {3}: census_data = c.acs5.get(("NAME", "B01003_001E", "B02001_002E", "B02001_003E", "B02001_002E", "B02001_00E", "B02001_00E, "B02001_00E, "B02001_00E, "B02001_00E, "
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	NAME	Total Population	Population (White)	Population (African- American)	Population (Asian)	Population (Hispanic)	Median Home Value	Education (None)	Education (High School)	Education (GED)	Education (Associates)	Education (Bachelors)	Education (Masters)	(Profe
0	Carroll County, Arkansas	27690.0	25856.0	318.0	245.0	4021.0	118500.0	128.0	5458.0	1346.0	1162.0	2157.0	951.0	
1	Chicot County, Arkansas	11189.0	4778.0	6070.0	46.0	578.0	59600.0	96.0	2621.0	627.0	312.0	718.0	220.0	
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## Questions to answer

- Does median age/unemployment predict the DEM/GOP % vote in a county
- Does median home value/education predict the DEM/GOP % in a county
- Does race/median income predict the DEM/GOP % in a county



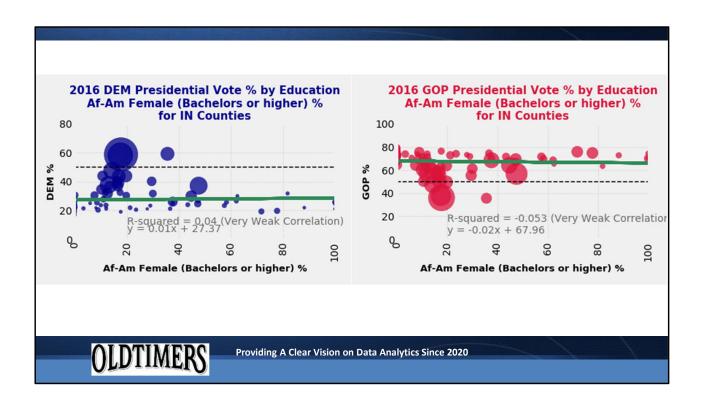
- D. Questions to answer (TBD)
- 1) ?
- 2) ?
- 3) ?

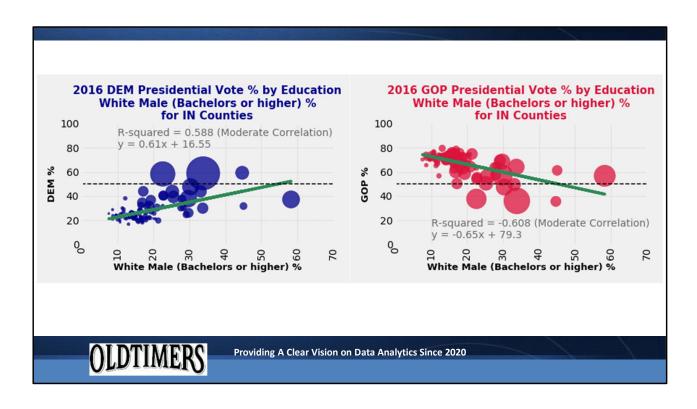
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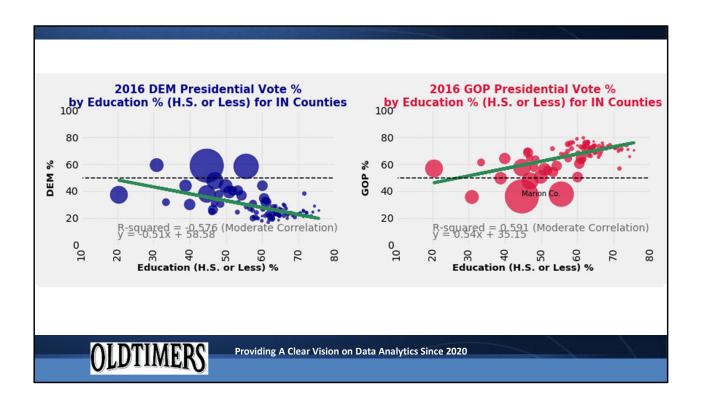
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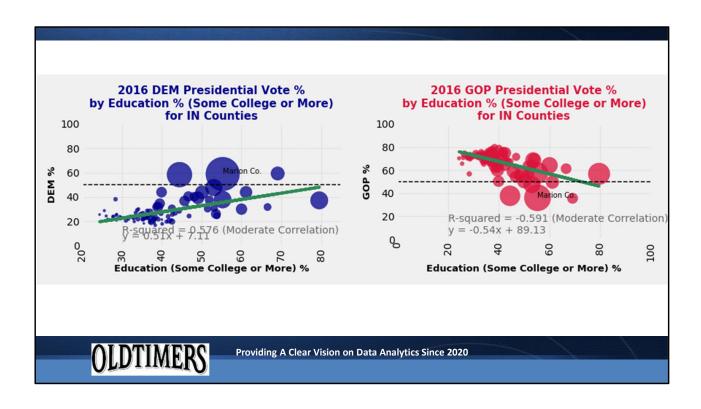


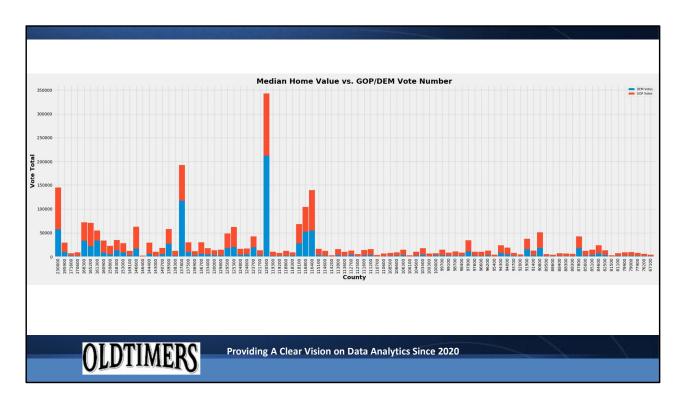
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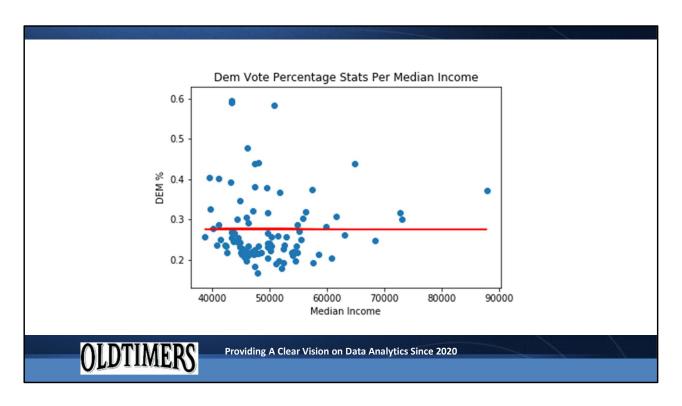


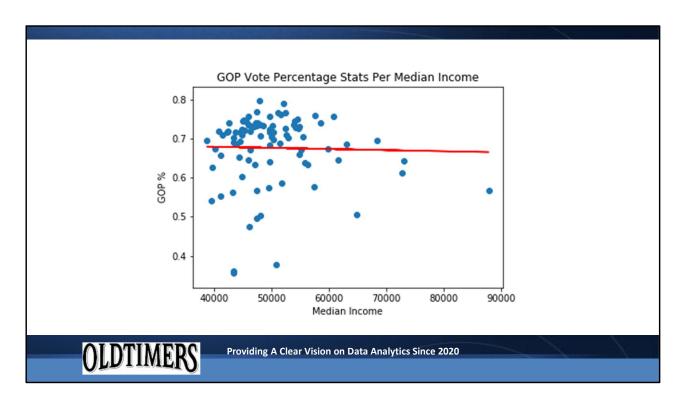


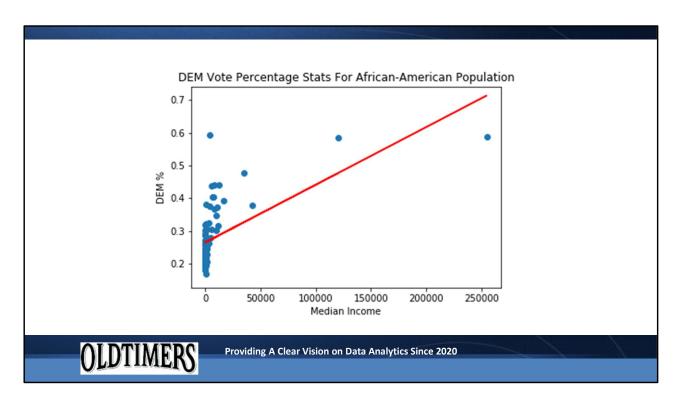


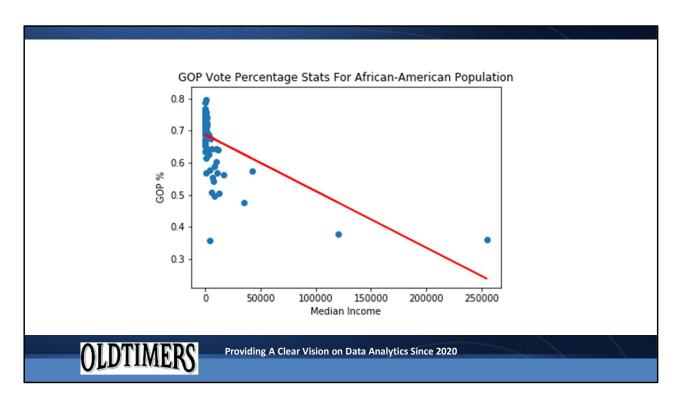


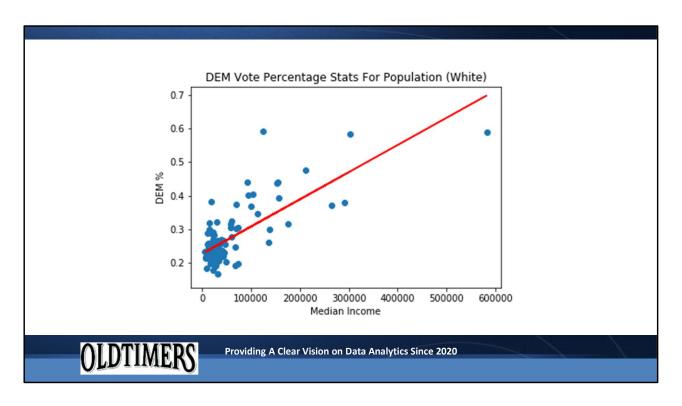


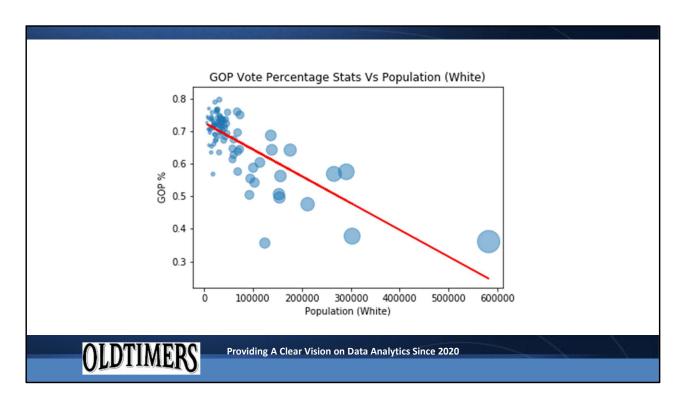


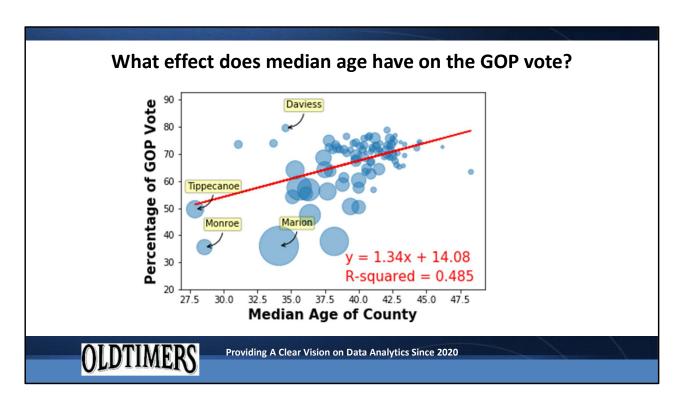












■ Age & Employment (Allyson)

### **Voter Turnout per Age Group**

• 18-29 year olds: 46.1%

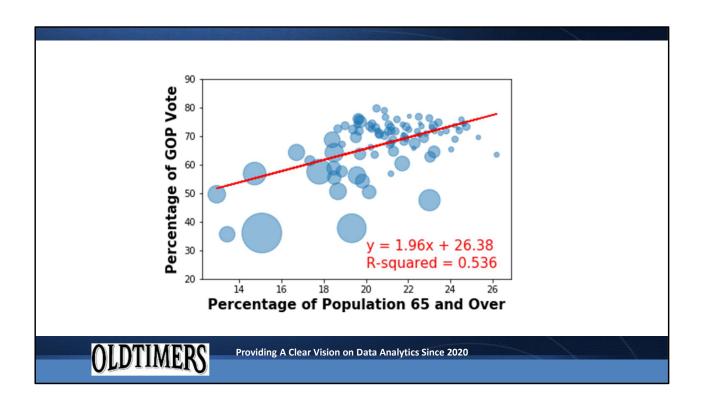
• 30-44 year olds: 58.7%

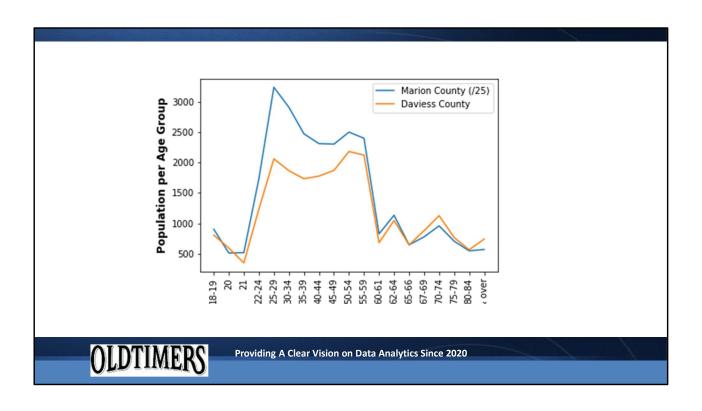
• 45-64 year olds: 66.6%

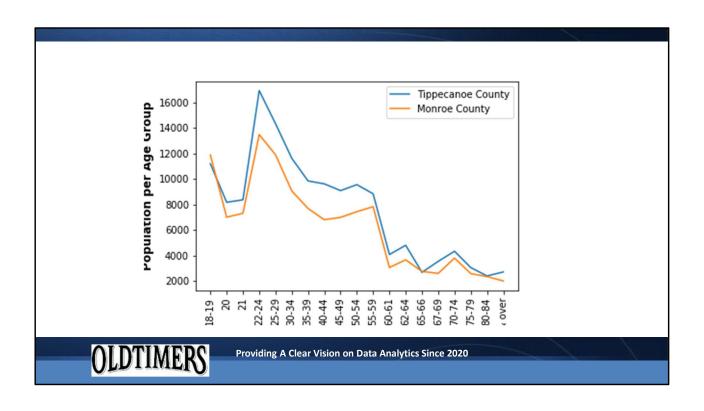
• 65 years and oldes: 70.9%

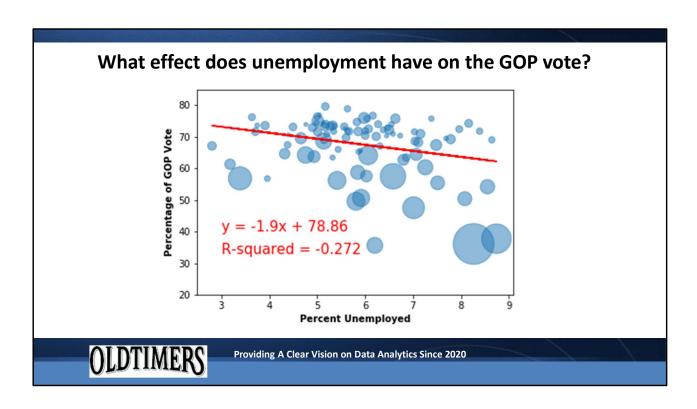
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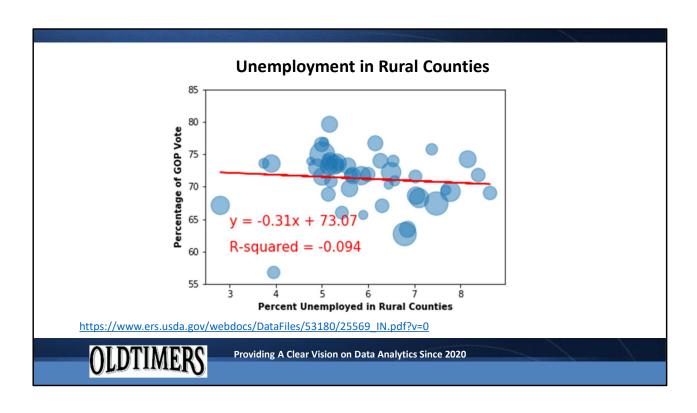


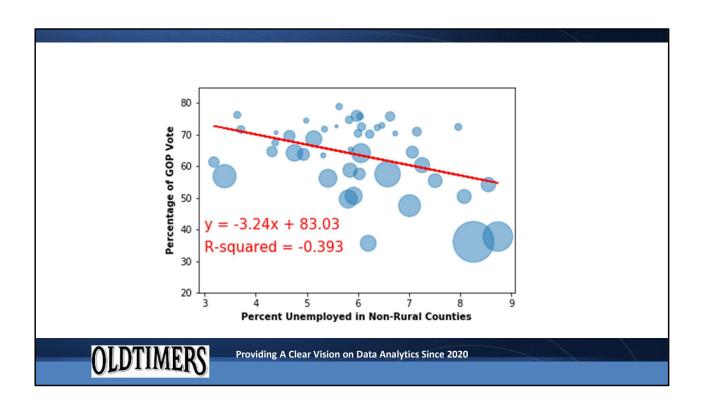












### Conclusions

- 1) Any single demographic category is NOT a good predictor of which 2016 presidential candidate won any Indiana county.
  - 1) None of the plots we ran provided us with a moderate or strong correlation
- 2) When multiple variables are introduced, we saw improved correlation between the census variable and the election results
  - 1) Pearson's correlation testing provided us with moderate to strong correlation on several of the plots we ran
    - 1) Education with race vs. DEM/GOP vote
    - 2) Race (white) vs. GOP vote
    - 3) Age (65+) vs GOP vote



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