# "EXPLORATORY DATA ANALYSIS ON GLOBAL SUICIDE RATES"

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### **2CSOE03 DATA ANALYTICS**

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### 1. Introduction:

Suicide is one of the leading causes of death among all adults and rates are increasing in both men and women. But numbers also show stark differences between genders.

In 2017, men died by suicide 3.54 times more often than women. Midd1e-aged white men, in particu1ar, are susceptible. White males accounted for near1y 70-percent of suicide deaths in 2017, according to the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention.

"There can be a stigma among men that they should 'tough things out,' rather than seeking help if they're having struggles with their mental health," says Dr. Lisa Baker, an SSM Health Psychologist at St. Mary's Hospital - Madison. "As a result, mental health conditions are under-reported and under-detected in men, leaving them vulnerable to suicide."

People who live in rural areas are at higher risk of suicide than their urban counterparts, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. This, in part, can be explained by greater access to firearms, drug and alcohol use and a scarce of health care providers and emergency medical services. Cultural factors are also a barrier to accessing care and getting support from family and friends.

To **perform Data Analysis** and wants you to examine **trends & correlations** within our data. We would like to make a **Machine Learning algorithm** where we can train our **AI** to **learn** & improve from experience. Thus, we would want to **predict** the amount of suicides numbers in a certain demographic.

This project seeks to **explore** the underlying factors. We will use a sample of **44,000** data points gathered from **141** different countries, between the **80**'s to **2016**.

#### **Research Questions**

- 1. Which year has the most suicides? Which year has the least suicides?
- 2. Which country has the most suicides? Which country has the least suicides?
- 3. Are certain age groups more inclined to suicide?
- 4. What is the relationship between gender and the number of suicides?

#### **Features & Predictor:**

Our **Predictor** (**Y**, **Suicide Count**) is determined by **5 features** (**X**):

1. country (Categorical)

- 2. year: year of suicide (Categorical)3. sex: Male, Female (Categorical)
- 4. age (Categorical)5. population: (#)

## 2. DATA WRANGLING:

```
import pandas as pd
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import numpy as np
import seaborn as sns

data = pd.read_csv("C:/Users/jayes/Downloads/who_suicide_statistics.csv
/who_suicide_statistics.csv")

# look at 1st 5 data points
data.head(5)
```

```
country year
                    sex
                                     suicides_no
                                                 population
                                age
 Albania 1985 female 15-24 years
                                                   277900.0
0
                                            NaN
1 Albania 1985 female 25-34 years
                                            NaN
                                                   246800.0
2 Albania 1985 female 35-54 years
                                                   267500.0
                                            NaN
3 Albania 1985 female
                        5-14 years
                                                   298300.0
                                            NaN
4 Albania 1985 female 55-74 years
                                                   138700.0
                                            NaN
```

Our data set has **5 Features** (Country, Year, Gender, Age, Population). We will explore all of these in detail. While the suicide\_no is what we would like to **predict.** 

```
data.info() # print the concise summery of the dataset
```

```
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 43776 entries, 0 to 43775
Data columns (total 6 columns):
     Column
                 Non-Null Count
                                  Dtype
                                 object
0
                  43776 non-null
     country
                  43776 non-null int64
 1
    year
 2
                  43776 non-null object
     sex
 3
                  43776 non-null object
                                  float64
                  41520 non-null
4
     suicides_no
     population 38316 non-null
                                  float64
dtypes: float64(2), int64(1), object(3)
```

```
# counts total row in each col. that have null values
# note: all the na columns are type Object
data.isna().sum()
```

```
country 0
year 0
sex 0
age 0
suicides_no 2256
population 5460
dtype: int64
```

```
data= data.fillna(0)
data.isna().sum()
country
                      0
year
sex
                      0
                      0
 age
 suicides no
                      0
population
                      0
dtvpe: int64
In [11]: data['age'].unique()
array(['15-24 years', '25-34 years', '35-54 years', '5-14 years', '55-74 years', '75+ years'], dtype=object)
In [13]: data['country'].unique()
'El Salvador', 'Estonia', 'Falkland Islands (Malvinas)', 'Fiji',
          'Finland', 'France', 'French Guiana', 'Georgia', 'Germany', 'Greece', 'Grenada', 'Guadeloupe', 'Guatemala', 'Guyana', 'Haiti', 'Honduras', 'Hong Kong SAR', 'Hungary', 'Iceland',
          'Iran (Islamic Rep of)', 'Iraq', 'Ireland', 'Israel', 'Italy',
'Jamaica', 'Japan', 'Jordan', 'Kazakhstan', 'Kiribati', 'Kuwait',
          'Kyrgyzstan', 'Latvia', 'Lithuania', 'Luxembourg', 'Macau', 'Malaysia', 'Maldives', 'Malta', 'Martinique', 'Mauritius', 'Mayotte', 'Mexico', 'Monaco', 'Mongolia', 'Montenegro',
          'Montserrat', 'Morocco', 'Netherlands', 'Netherlands Antilles',
'New Zealand', 'Nicaragua', 'Norway',
          'Occupied Palestinian Territory', 'Oman', 'Panama', 'Paraguay',
  the Number of different Countries our dataset is from
data['country'].nunique()
data['year'].unique()
```

# FILLING IN MEAN VALUES FOR THE MISSING DATA & REPLACE NA VALUES WITH THEIR MEAN VALUES

```
# Replace 0 values with, NA
data['suicides_no'] = data['suicides_no'].replace(0,np.NAN)

# replace Na values with, mean value
mean_value=data['population'].mean()

data['population']=data['population'].fillna(mean_value)

# do same for Popualation
# replace Na values with, mean value
mean_value=data['suicides_no'].mean()

data['suicides_no']=data['suicides_no'].fillna(mean_value)
```

### 3. EXPLORATORY DATA ANALYSIS

→ Research Question I: Which year has the most Suicides? Which year has the 1east Suicides?

```
data['suicides_no'] = data['suicides_no'].replace(0,np.NAN)

mean_value=data['suicides_no'].mean()
data['suicides_no']=data['suicides_no'].fillna(mean_value)

def find_minmax(x):
    #use the function 'idmin' to find the index of lowest suicide
    min_index = data[x].idxmin()
    #use the function 'idmax' to find the index of Highest suicide
    high_index = data[x].idxmax()

    high = pd.DataFrame(data.loc[high_index,:])
    low = pd.DataFrame(data.loc[min_index,:])

    #print the Year with high and low suicide
    print("Year Which Has Highest "+ x + " : ",data['year'][high_index])
    print("Year Which Has Lowest "+ x + " : ",data['year'][min_index])
    return pd.concat([high,low],axis = 1)

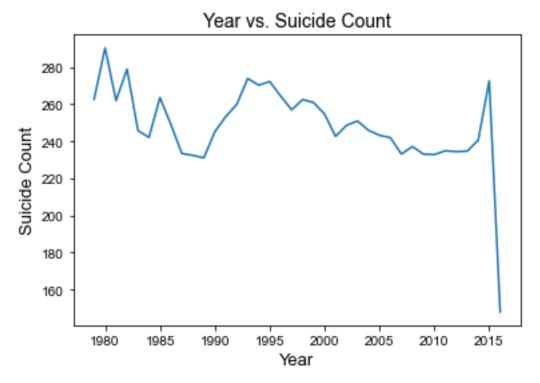
find_minmax('suicides_no')
```

```
Year Which Has Highest suicides_no :
                                         1994
Year Which Has Lowest suicides_no
                                         1987
                                        29
                            33128
country
              Russian Federation
                                      Albania
year
                                         1987
                             1994
                                       female
                             male
sex
age
                                    75+ years
suicides no
                          22338.0
                                          1.0
                       19044200.0
                                      35600.0
population
```

### YEAR — WISE ANALYSIS

```
data.groupby('year')['suicides_no'].mean().plot()

#setup the title and labels of the figure.
plt.title("Year vs. Suicide Count", fontsize = 14)
plt.xlabel('Year', fontsize = 13)
plt.ylabel('Suicide Count', fontsize = 13)
```



From observing our **Time Series Line P1ot**, we can see a **sharp drop** in suicides in 1985. This **decrease** could be due to **awareness** of suicide & **menta1 health** in the 80s, as well as **improved recognition** of those at risk. This is indeed **accurate**, as the research, "Suicide in the elderly" **supports** this claim.

→ Research Question 2: Which country has the most Suicides? Which country has the least Suicides?

def find minmax(x):

```
#use the function 'idmin' to find the index of lowest suicide
min_index = data[x].idxmin()
#use the function 'idmax' to find the index of Highest suicide
high_index = data[x].idxmax()

high = pd.DataFrame(data.loc[high_index,:])
low = pd.DataFrame(data.loc[min_index,:])

#print the country with high and low suicide
print("Country Which Has Highest "+ x + " : ",data['country'][high_index])
print("Country Which Has Lowest "+ x + " : ",data['country'][min_index])
return pd.concat([low,high],axis = 1)

find_minmax('suicides_no')
```

```
Country Which Has Highest suicides_no : Russian Federation
Country Which Has Lowest suicides no : Albania
                29
                                    33128
country
              Albania Russian Federation
                 1987
                                     1994
year
               female
                                     male
sex
            75+ years
                              35-54 years
age
suicides no
                1.0
                                  22338.0
population
               35600.0
                               19044200.0
```

### FEATURE ENGINEERING

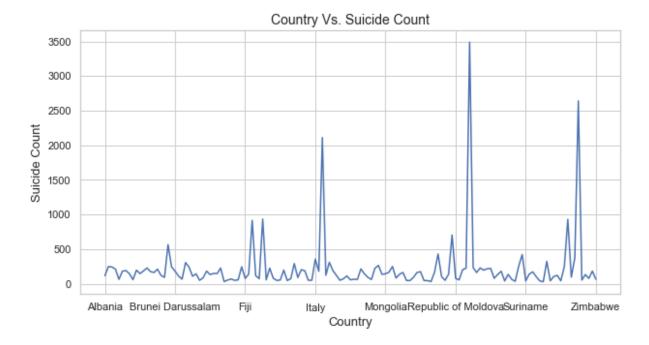
# CALCULATE THE SUICIDE PER POPULATION SIZE RATIO, TO BETTER UNDERSTAND OUR DATA

```
#calculate mean of suicides_no col
meanSuicide = data['suicides_no'].mean()
#calculate mean of pop. col
meanPop = data['population'].mean()
# Replace 0 or NaN populations, with the mean Populations
data['population'] = data['population'].replace(np.NAN,meanPop)
data['population'] = data['population'].replace(0,meanPop)
data.tail(3)
```

```
country year
                      sex ... suicides_no
                                             population suicide_per_pop
43773 Zimbabwe 1990
                                      6.0 1.456536e+06
                                                               0.000004
                     male
                                      74.0 1.456536e+06
43774
      Zimbabwe
                1990
                     male
                                                               0.000051
                                      13.0 1.456536e+06
43775
      Zimbabwe 1990 male
                                                               0.000009
```

```
find_minmax('suicide_per_pop')
```

```
Country Which Has Highest suicide_per_pop :
                                               Rodrigues
Country Which Has Lowest suicide_per_pop
                                               Egypt
                       12993
                                    32351
country
                       Egypt
                               Rodrigues
                                     2004
                        2005
year
                        male
sex
                                     male
                               75+ years
age
                  5-14 years
suicides_no
                         1.0
                              249.106328
population
                   9543088.0
                                    259.0
                                   0.9618
suicide per pop
                         0.0
```



Both the graph & find\_minmax function above, **confirm** that Albania had the **lowest** suicide count, while Zimbabwe & Russian Federation, had the largest suicide count. A **reason** the Russian Federations may have a **large** suicide count may be that they have a very large population (144.5 million, while Albania only has about 3 million). It has been reported that Russian levels of alcohol consumption plays an immense role in it's **large suicide count**, but their is a **lack** of data to **support** this due to Soviet secrecy.

→ Research Question 3: Are certain age groups more inclined to suicide?

```
sample = data.sample(3)
sample
```

```
        country
        year
        sex
        ...
        suicides_no
        population
        suicide_per_pop

        2264
        Australia
        1987
        male
        ...
        554.0
        2031000.0
        0.000273

        41160
        Ukraine
        1996
        female
        ...
        165.0
        3595700.0
        0.000046

        22904
        Latvia
        2006
        male
        ...
        167.0
        294935.0
        0.000566

        [3 rows x 7 columns]
```

Right now our 'age' column is **separated** into **hyphen** groups. We want to analyze these groups as **numerical** data. We must take **away** the hyphen & create a **function** that classifies each category into a **certain** number. We first must **remove** all instances of a dash & change the object to type int to further analyze it.

```
# grabs first 2 chars from Age Column
data['AgeNum'] = data['age'].str[:2]

# remove all instances of dash -
data['AgeNum'] = data['AgeNum'].map(lambda x: x.replace('-',''))

# now, convert it to type int (not Object)
data['AgeNum'] = data['AgeNum'].astype(int)

data['AgeNum'].tail(3)
```

```
43773 5
43774 55
43775 75
Name: AgeNum, dtype: int32
```

```
# creates Age Categories
def AgeGroup(x):
    if(x >= 60):
        return "Elderly"
    elif(x >= 30):
        return "Middle_Aged_Adults"
    elif(x >= 18):
        return "Adults"
    else:
        return "Adolescent"

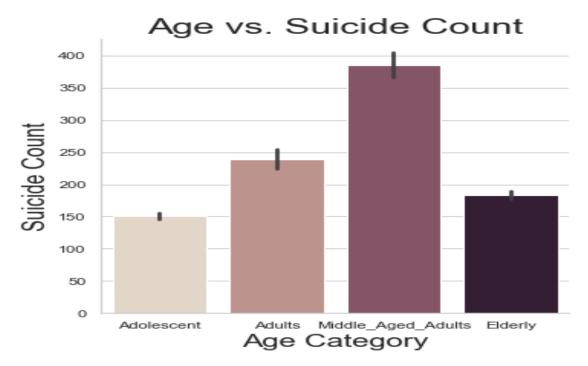
# Map each row in the Col to the AgeGroup Method
data['AgeCategory'] = data['AgeNum'].map(lambda x: AgeGroup(x))
# convert it back to type String
data['AgeCategory'] = data['AgeCategory'].astype(str)
data['AgeCategory'].tail(3)
```

#### data['AgeNum'] .tail(3)

```
43773 Adolescent
43774 Middle_Aged_Adults
43775 Elderly
Name: AgeCategory, dtype: object
```

Note: Created an new column called 'AgeNum'

```
data.head(3)
                                                  AgeNum
    country
             year
                       sex
                                suicide per pop
                                                                  AgeCategory
   Albania
             1985
                   female
                                       0.000896
                                                      15
                                                                   Adolescent
                                                      25
                                                                       Adults
    Albania
             1985
                   female
                                       0.001009
   Albania
             1985
                                       0.000931
                                                      35
                                                          Middle_Aged_Adults
                   female
[3 rows x 9 columns]
```

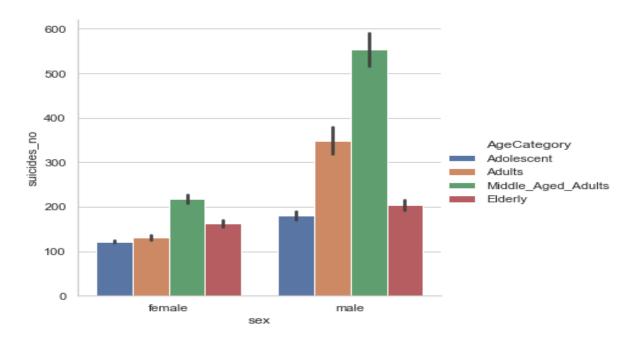


The data illustrates that middle aged adults, between the ages of 30 through 60, have the **highest** suicide count. While elderly and adolescents have about **half** the amount as middle aged adults.

# → Research Question 4: What is the relationship between the gender and the number of suicides?

```
# there is an equal number of Males & Females in our data
data['sex'].value_counts()
```

female 21888
male 21888
Name: sex, dtype: int64



SUICIDE NUMBERS EXPRESSED IN TERMS OF GENDER & AGE CATEGORY

Suicide is one of the leading causes of death among all Americans adults. Data show heightened differences in suicide for different sexes. It's evident that males are more inclined to suicide. For Females, the 4 age categories seem to level off at 150. We can't say the same for males. Male adults & male middle aged adults are at very high risk of suicide. Both genders show middle aged adults as the leading age group of suicide.

## 4. MACHINE LEARNING + PREDICTIVE ANALYTICS

Our goal in this section is to build a multiple linear regression model that will be trained to understand correlation between our features and our predictor. We want to predict Y (suicides count), given a specific year, pertaining to a specific age group & gender.

### **Prepare Data for Modeling**

To prepare data for modeling, just remember AES (Assign, Encode, Split). **Assign** the 4 features to X, & the last column to our predictor Y.

```
data.head(3)
newData= data.loc[:,['year','sex','AgeNum','suicides_no']]
newData.head(3)
X = newData.iloc[:, :-1].values # grab the every col except last
y = newData.iloc[:, -1].values # grab last col
```

**Encoding** categorical data. The Gender feature, is now encoded using 0's & 1's. Binary Output.

```
from sklearn.compose import ColumnTransformer
from sklearn.preprocessing import OneHotEncoder
ct = ColumnTransformer(transformers=[('encoder', OneHotEncoder(), [1])]
, remainder='passthrough')
X = np.array(ct.fit_transform(X))
X
y
```

### **Sp1itting** the data set into the Training set and Test set

```
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
x_train, x_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X,y,test_size = 0.2
, random_state = 1)
print(x_train)
print(x_test)
print(y_train)
print(y_test)
```

### Training the Multiple Linear Regression model on the Training set

```
from sklearn.linear_model import LinearRegression
regressor = LinearRegression()
regressor.fit(x_train, y_train)
```

#### **PREDICTIONS**

**Scenario:** Say we wish to predict the suicide count, given certain demographics.

```
# we are predicting the suicide count given certain demographics
# A 55 year old male, in 2001
# suicide count of about 187.
print(regressor.predict([[1,0,2001,55]]))
```

### [186.81518101]

## 5. CONCLUSION

- 1. There was a **decrease** in suicides toward the 80's. This could be due to awareness of suicide & mental health in the 80s, as well as **improved** recognition of those at risk. But shortly after that their is a **rise** suicides that we are seeing.
- 2. Russian levels of alcohol consumption plays an immense role in it's large suicide count, but their is a lack of data to support this due to Soviet secrecy.

- 3. The data illustrates that middle aged adults, between the ages of 30 through 60, have **the highest suicide** count. While elderly and adolescents have about **half** the amount as middle aged adults.
- 4. Suicide is one of the **leading** causes of death among all Americans adults. Data show **alarming differences** in suicide for different sexes. It's evident that males are more inclined to suicide, than females. In addition, Mental health is a major predictor for suicide.

## 6. REFERENCES

THE THING ABOUT DATA VISUALIZATION TOOLS

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