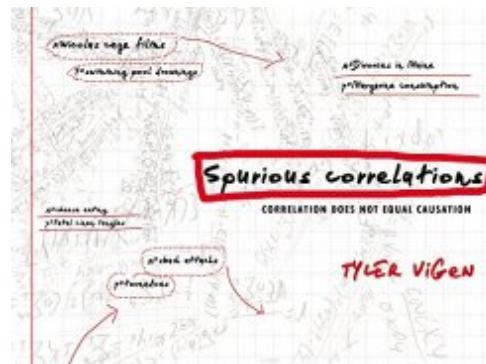


# Spurious correlations



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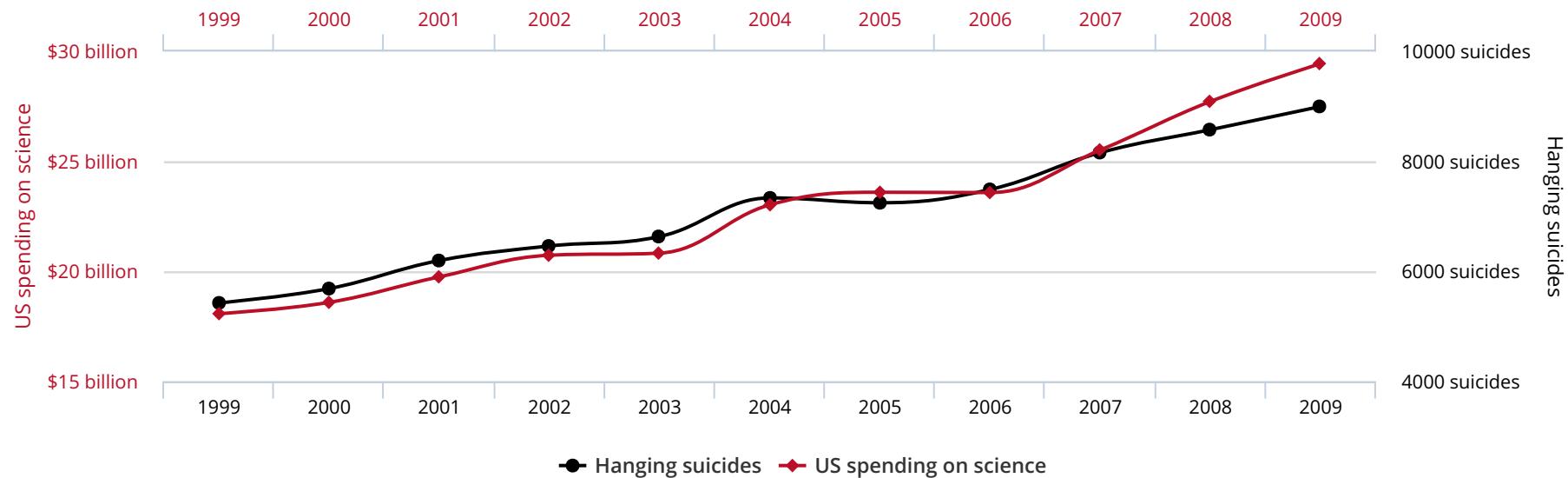
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# US spending on science, space, and technology correlates with Suicides by hanging, strangulation and suffocation

Correlation: 99.79% ( $r=0.99789126$ )



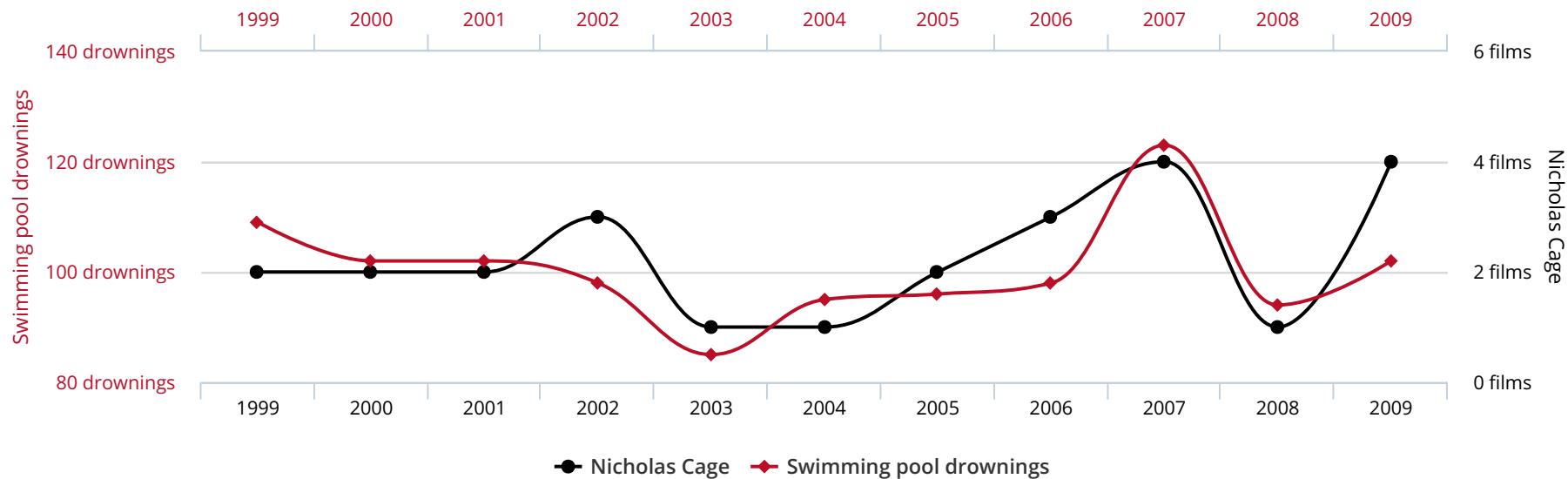
Data sources: U.S. Office of Management and Budget and Centers for Disease Control & Prevention

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# Number of people who drowned by falling into a pool correlates with Films Nicolas Cage appeared in

Correlation: 66.6% ( $r=0.666004$ )



Data sources: Centers for Disease Control & Prevention and Internet Movie Database

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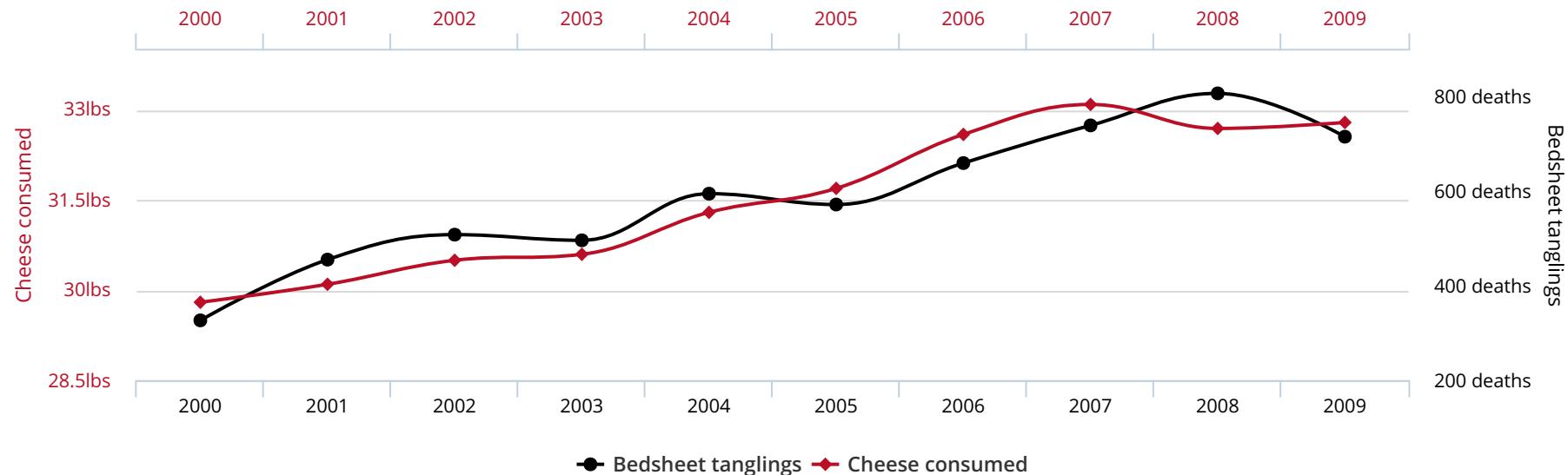


## Per capita cheese consumption

correlates with

# Number of people who died by becoming tangled in their bedsheets

Correlation: 94.71% ( $r=0.947091$ )



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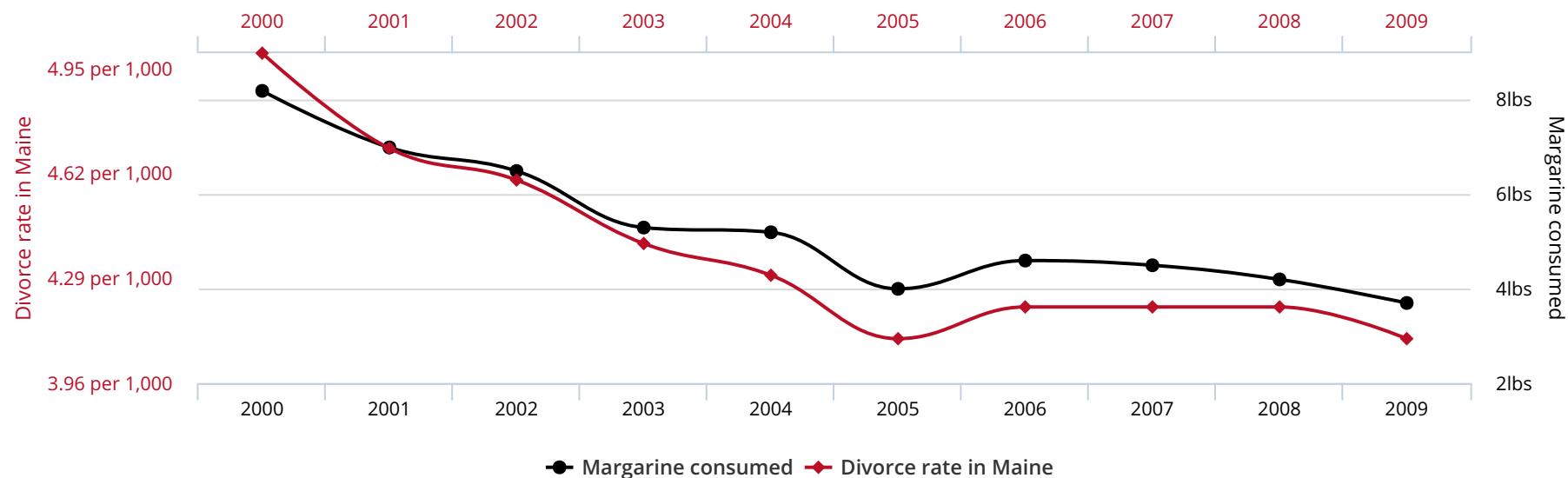


## Divorce rate in Maine

correlates with

## Per capita consumption of margarine

Correlation: 99.26% ( $r=0.992558$ )



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Data sources: National Vital Statistics Reports and U.S. Department of Agriculture

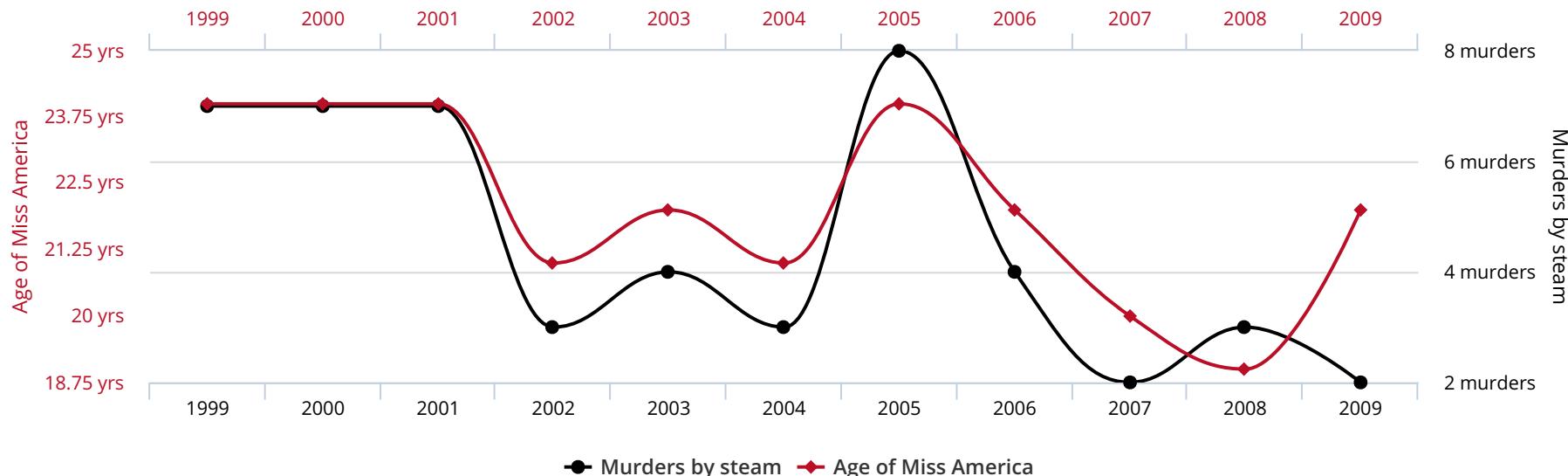


# Age of Miss America

correlates with

## Murders by steam, hot vapours and hot objects

Correlation: 87.01% ( $r=0.870127$ )



Data sources: Wikipedia and Centers for Disease Control & Prevention

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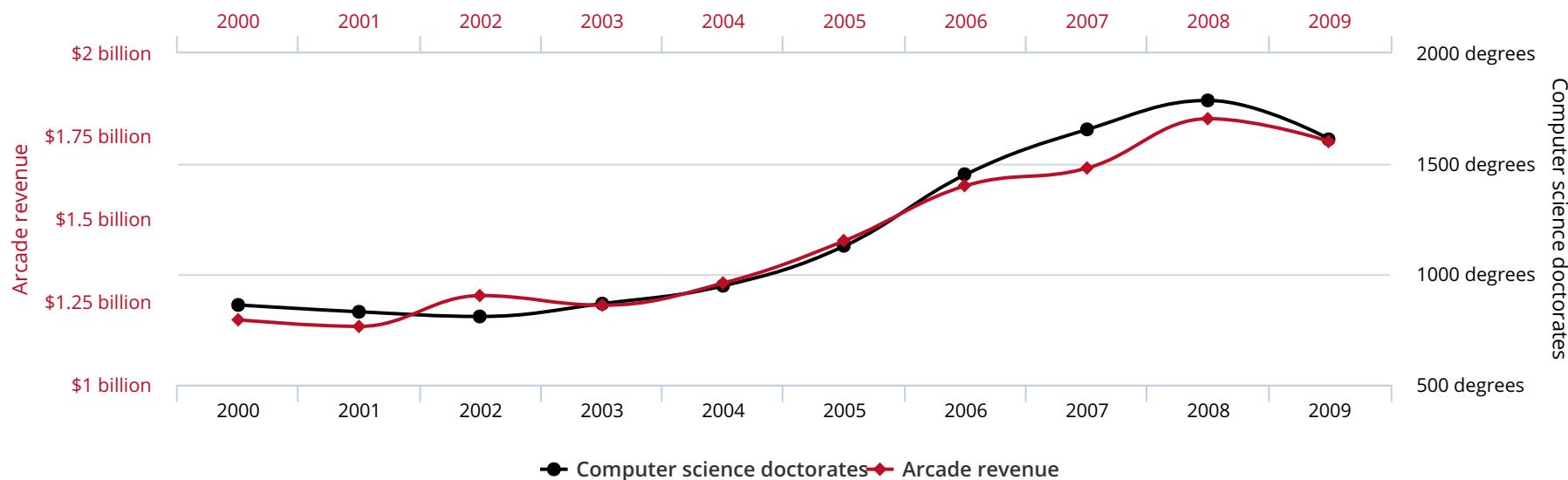


## Total revenue generated by arcades

correlates with

## Computer science doctorates awarded in the US

Correlation: 98.51% ( $r=0.985065$ )



Data sources: U.S. Census Bureau and National Science Foundation

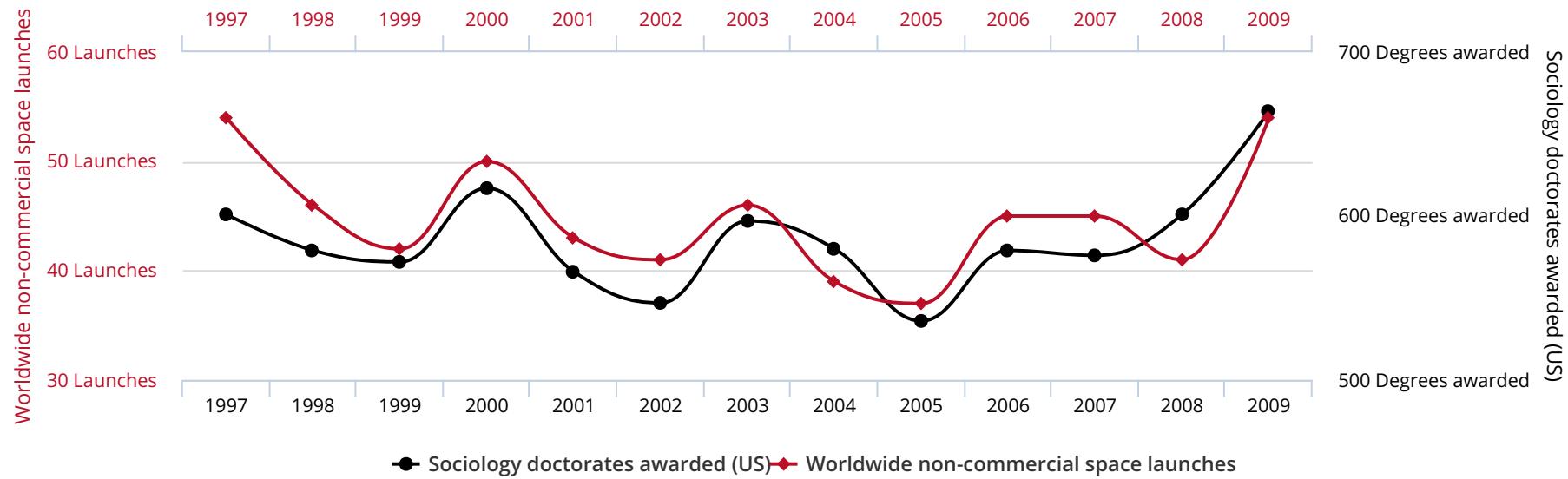
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# Worldwide non-commercial space launches

correlates with

## Sociology doctorates awarded (US)

Correlation: 78.92% ( $r=0.78915$ )

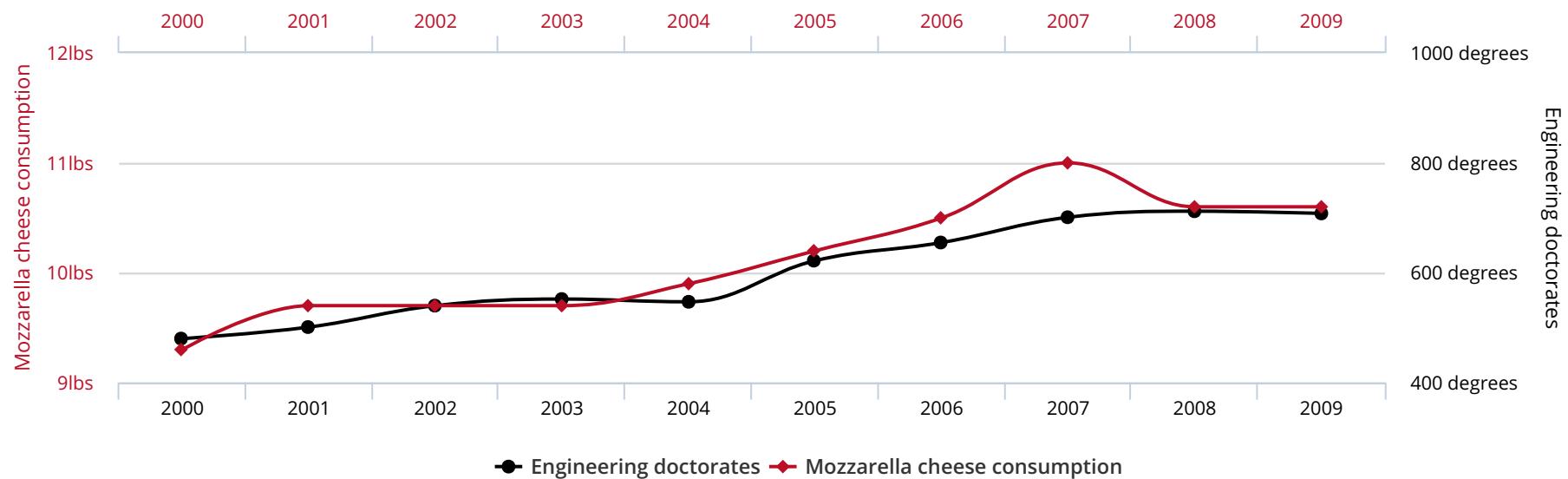
Data sources: Federal Aviation Administration and National Science Foundation

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# Per capita consumption of mozzarella cheese correlates with Civil engineering doctorates awarded

Correlation: 95.86% ( $r=0.958648$ )



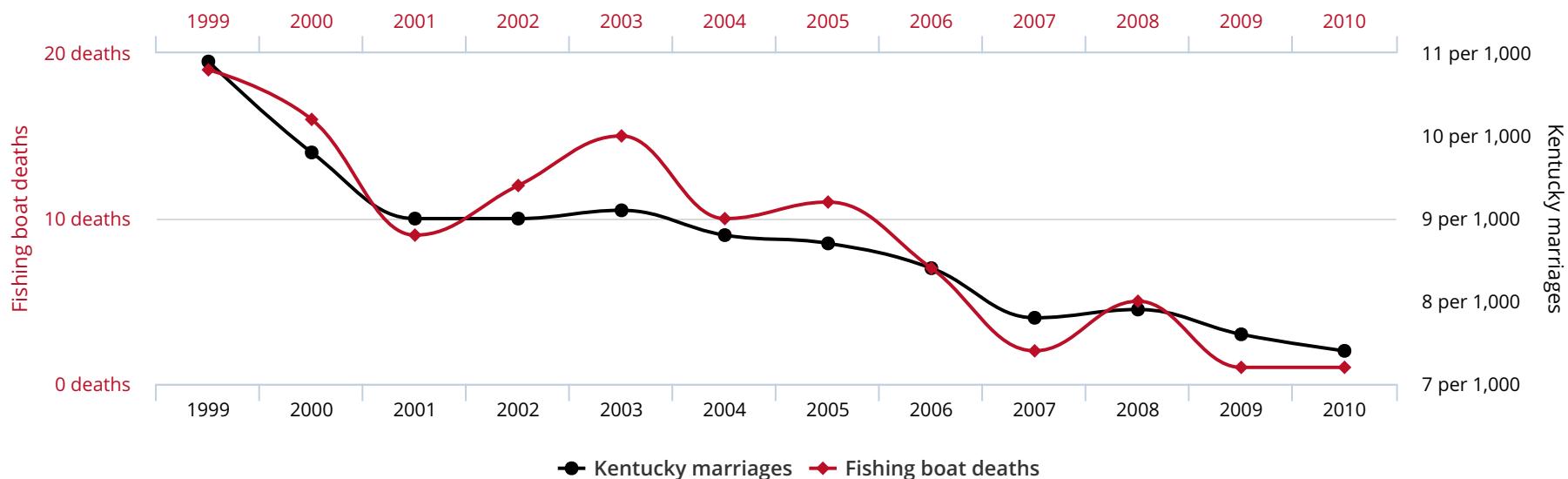
Data sources: U.S. Department of Agriculture and National Science Foundation

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# People who drowned after falling out of a fishing boat correlates with Marriage rate in Kentucky

Correlation: 95.24% ( $r=0.952407$ )



Data sources: Centers for Disease Control & Prevention and National Vital Statistics Reports

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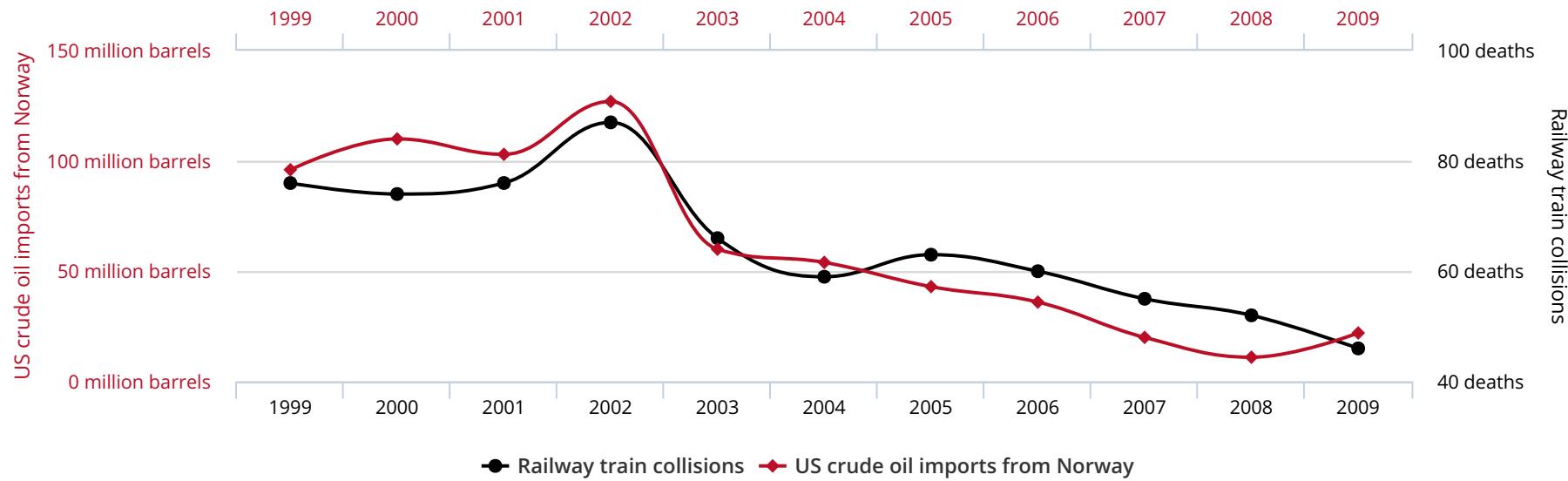


# US crude oil imports from Norway

correlates with

## Drivers killed in collision with railway train

Correlation: 95.45% ( $r=0.954509$ )

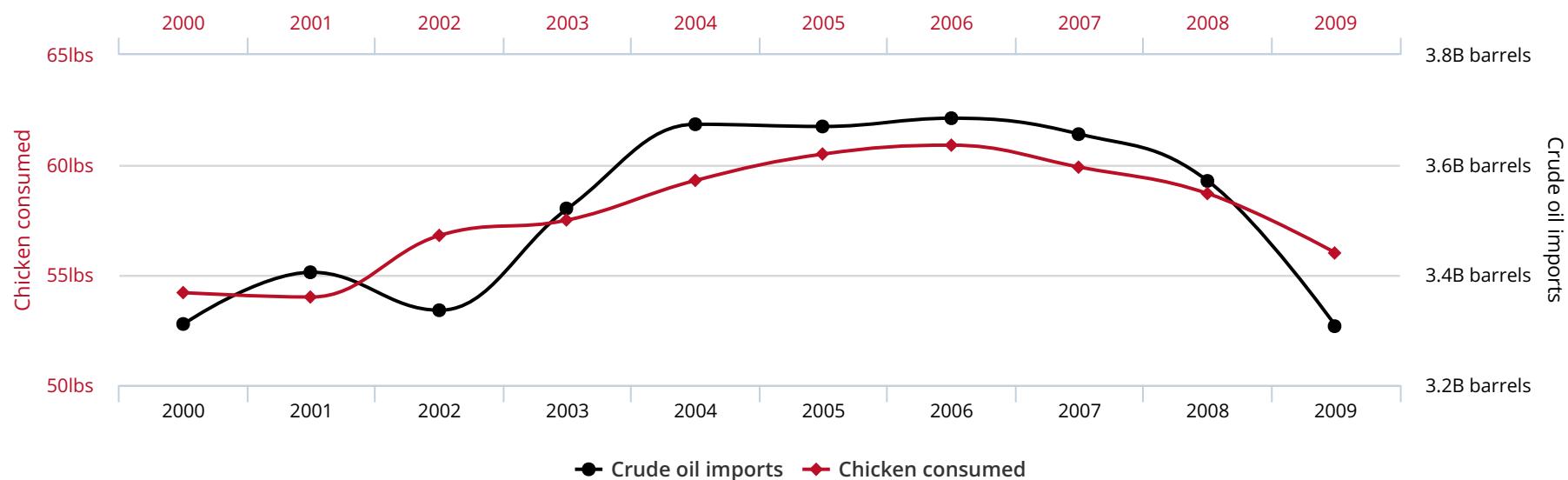


Data sources: Dept. of Energy and Centers for Disease Control & Prevention

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# Per capita consumption of chicken correlates with Total US crude oil imports

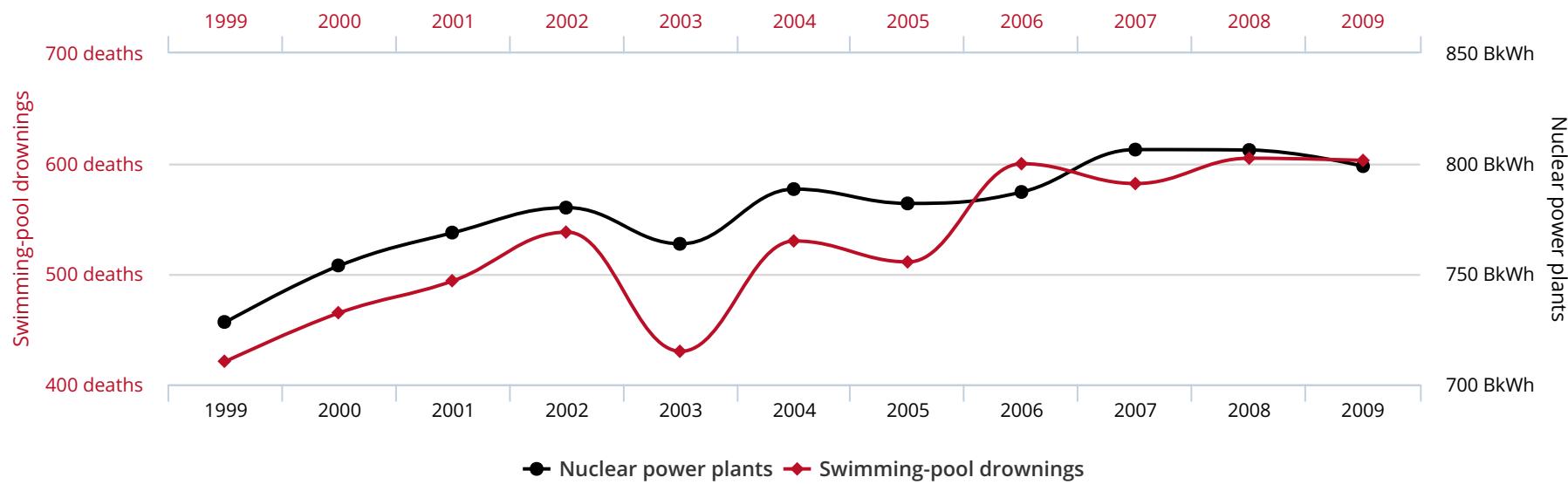
Correlation: 89.99% ( $r=0.899899$ )

Data sources: U.S. Department of Agriculture and Dept. of Energy

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# Number people who drowned while in a swimming-pool correlates with Power generated by US nuclear power plants

Correlation: 90.12% ( $r=0.901179$ )

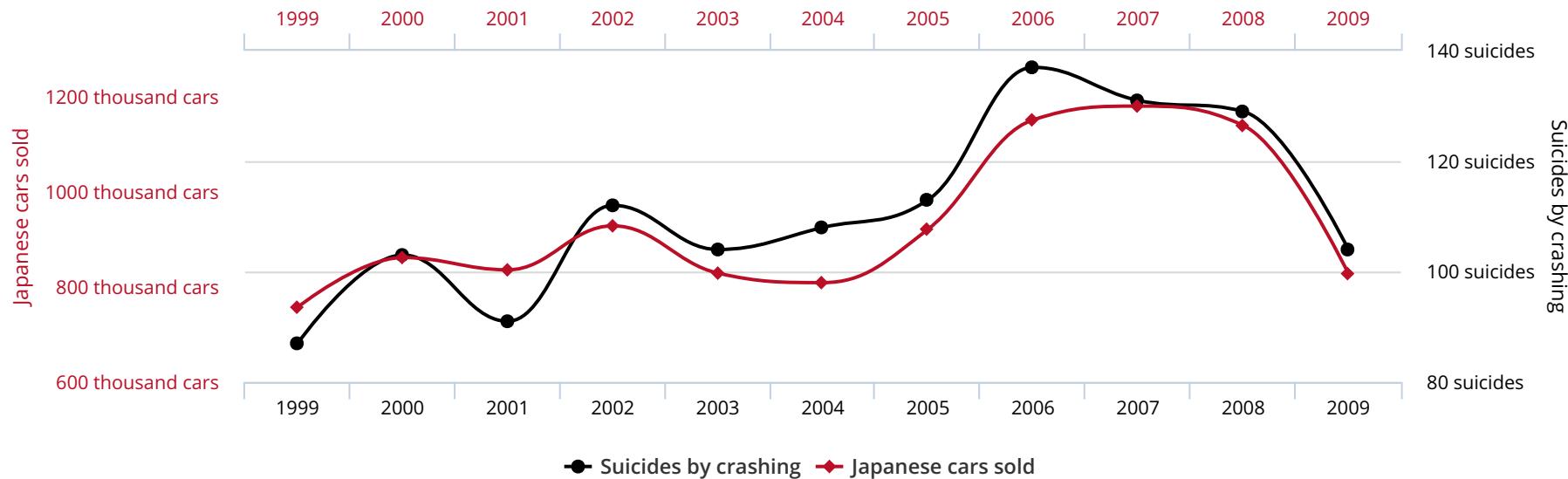
Data sources: Centers for Disease Control &amp; Prevention and Dept. of Energy

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# Japanese passenger cars sold in the US correlates with Suicides by crashing of motor vehicle

Correlation: 93.57% ( $r=0.935701$ )



Data sources: U.S. Bureau of Transportation Statistics and Centers for Disease Control & Prevention

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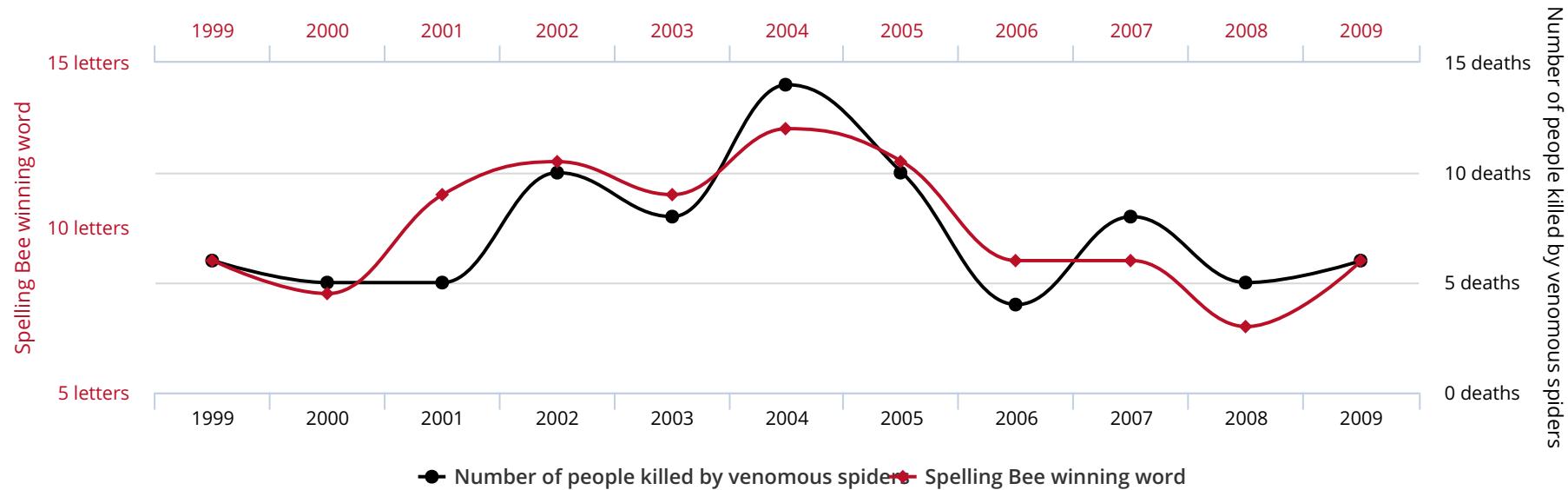


# Letters in Winning Word of Scripps National Spelling Bee

correlates with

## Number of people killed by venomous spiders

Correlation: 80.57% ( $r=0.8057$ )



Data sources: National Spelling Bee and Centers for Disease Control & Prevention

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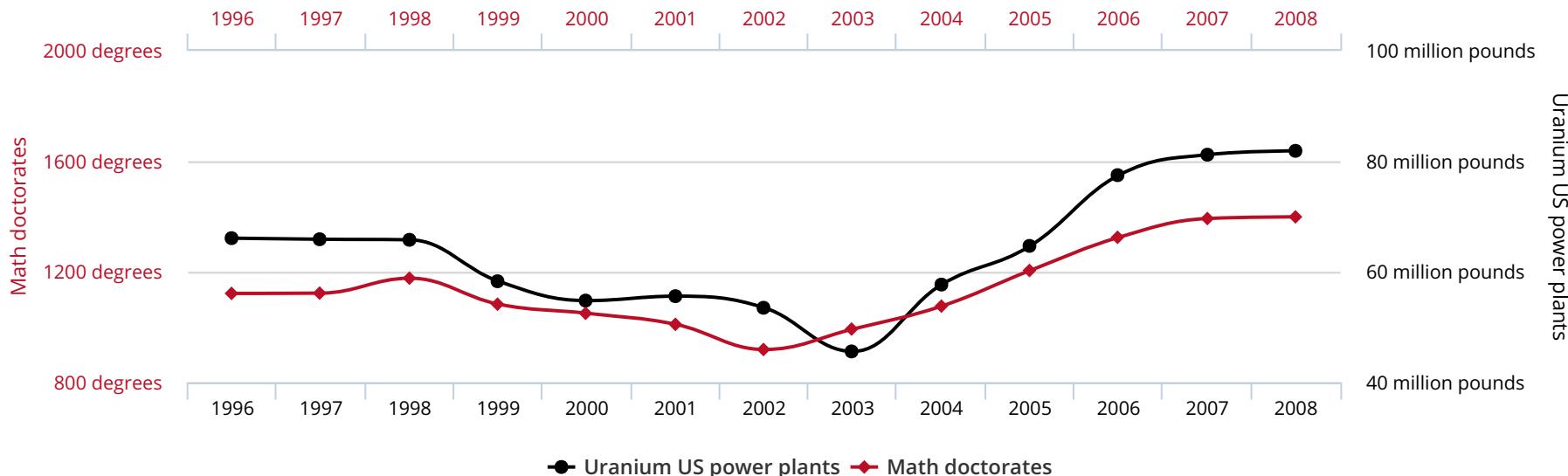


## Math doctorates awarded

correlates with

## Uranium stored at US nuclear power plants

Correlation: 95.23% ( $r=0.952257$ )



Data sources: National Science Foundation and Dept. of Energy

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