## Python II Final Project

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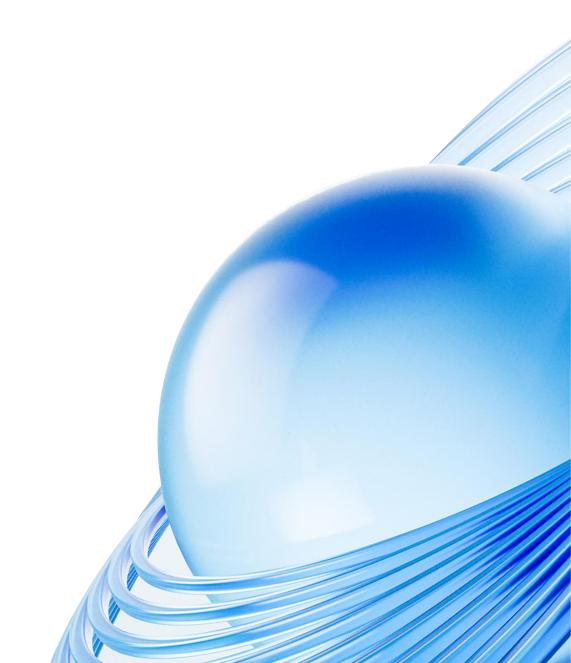
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Project Introduction



## 1.1 Research Question and Applied Methods

#### Research Question:

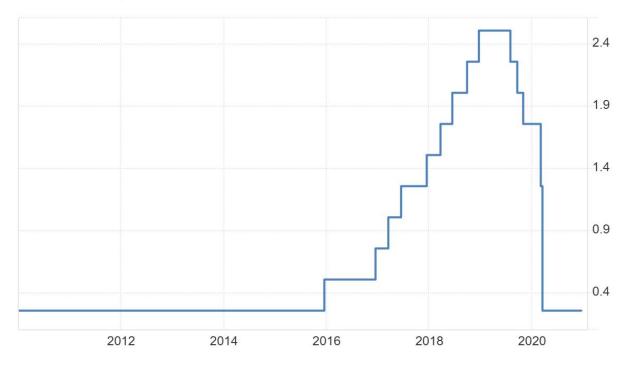
- The objective of this project is to analyze the impacts of interest rate movements on unemployment and spending across different areas in the United States.
- Examine the changes in the dataset across two distinct time periods: the low-interest-rate period and the relatively high-interest-rate period.

#### Applied Methods:

- First stage: visualize the unemployment rate data by state.
- Second stage: conduct a statistical analysis of the Consumer Price Index (CPI) by different urban areas.
- Last stage: employ a natural language processing (NLP) approach to analyze the textual speech and official announcements of the Federal Reserve's tone when announcing interest rate hikes.

### 1.2 Data Selection

US Interest Rate - percent



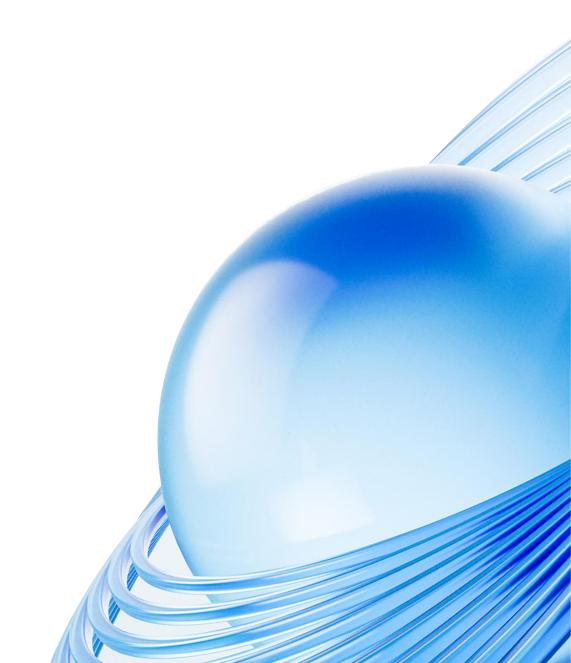
Source: tradingeconomics.com | Federal Reserve

Federal Reserve (the Fed) announced in late December 2015 that it had commenced an increase in interest rates.

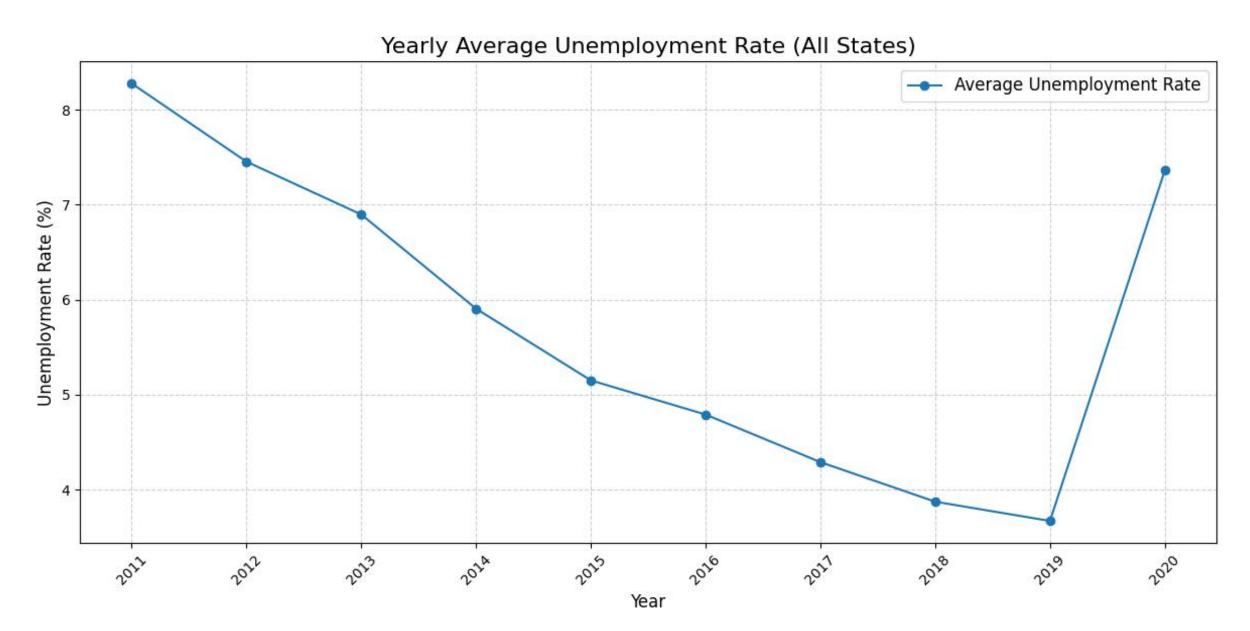
- The two time intervals under consideration are 2011-2015 and 2016-2019.
- Most of the data are sourced from the BLS
   (Bureau of Labor Statistics) website. These include:
  - Mean annual unemployment rate for each county.
  - Mean annual CPI for each urban area.
- Wording documents of speeches and official announcements are downloaded from the FED (Federal Reserve Board) website.

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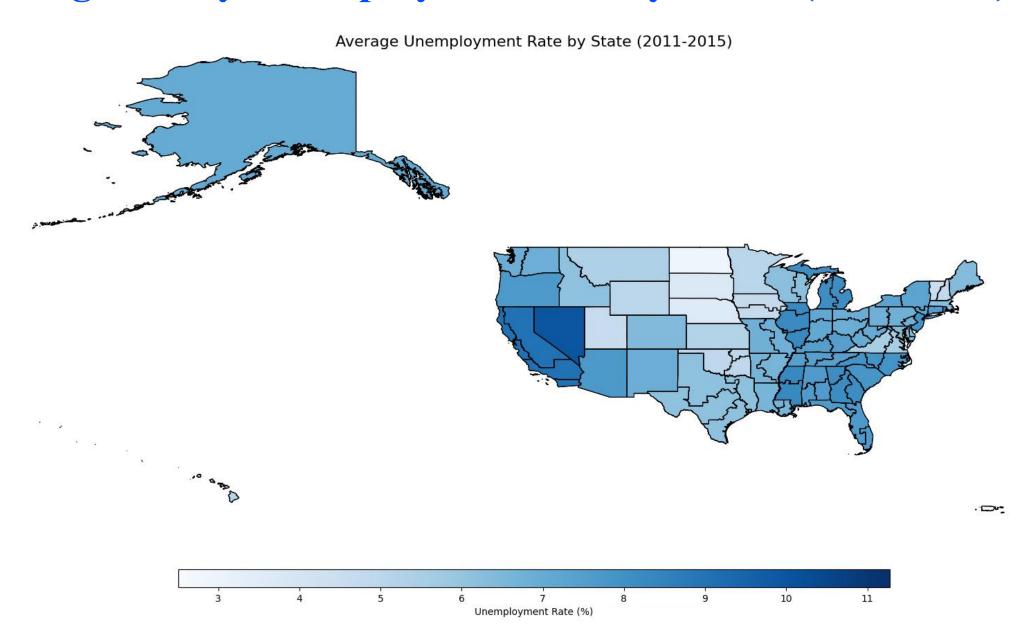
Unemployment rate by states



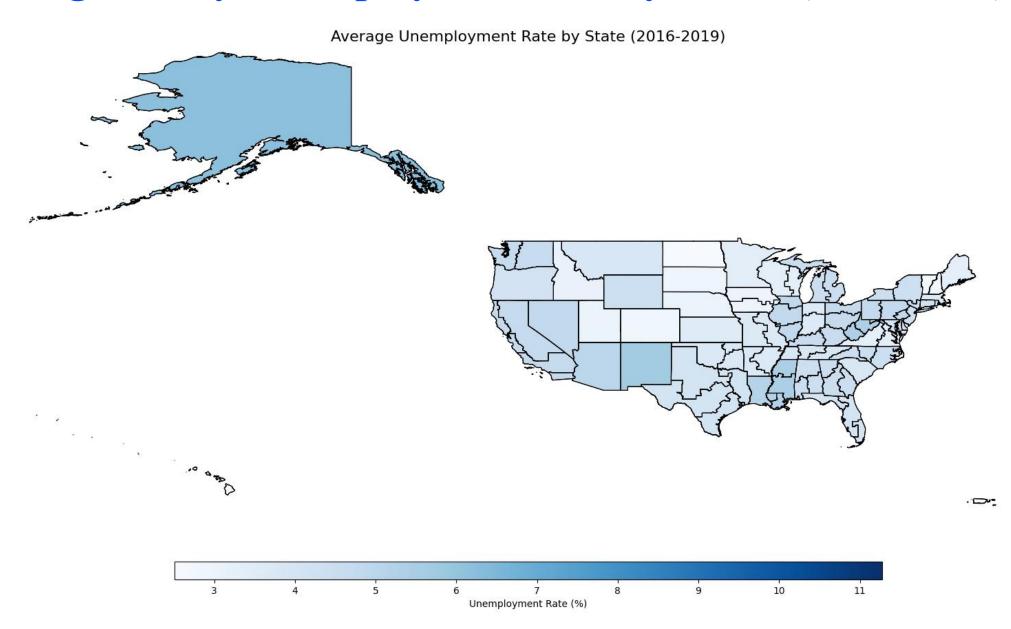
## 2.1 Outlook of Yearly Average Unemployment Rate Trend



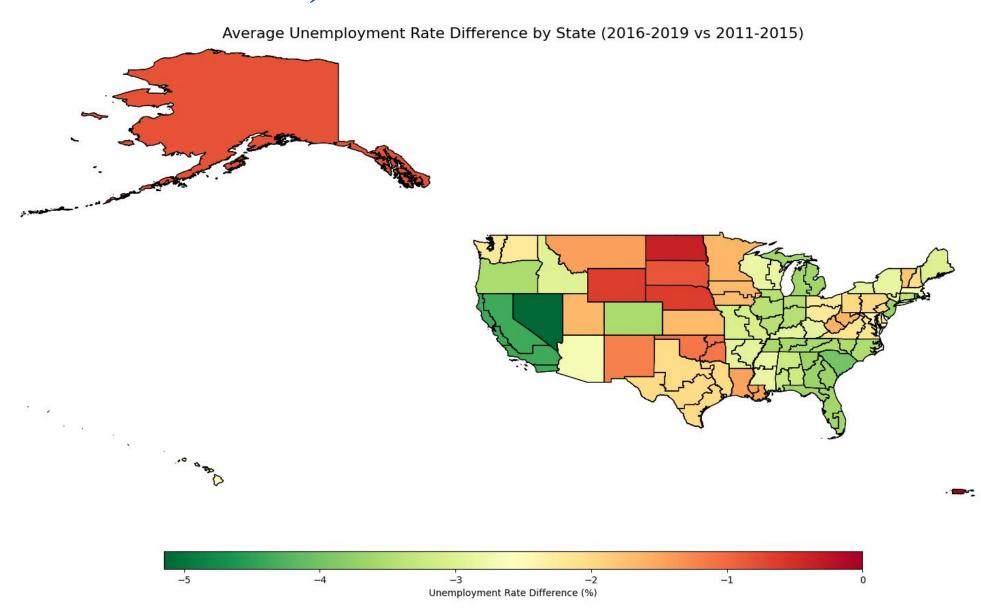
## 2.2 Average Yearly Unemployment rate by States (2011-2015)



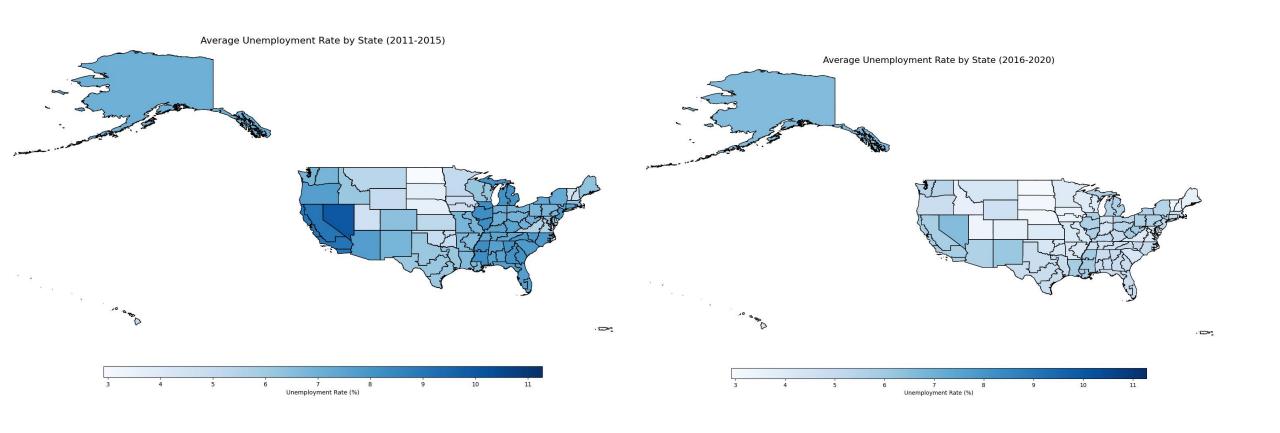
## 2.3 Average Yearly Unemployment rate by States (2016-2019)



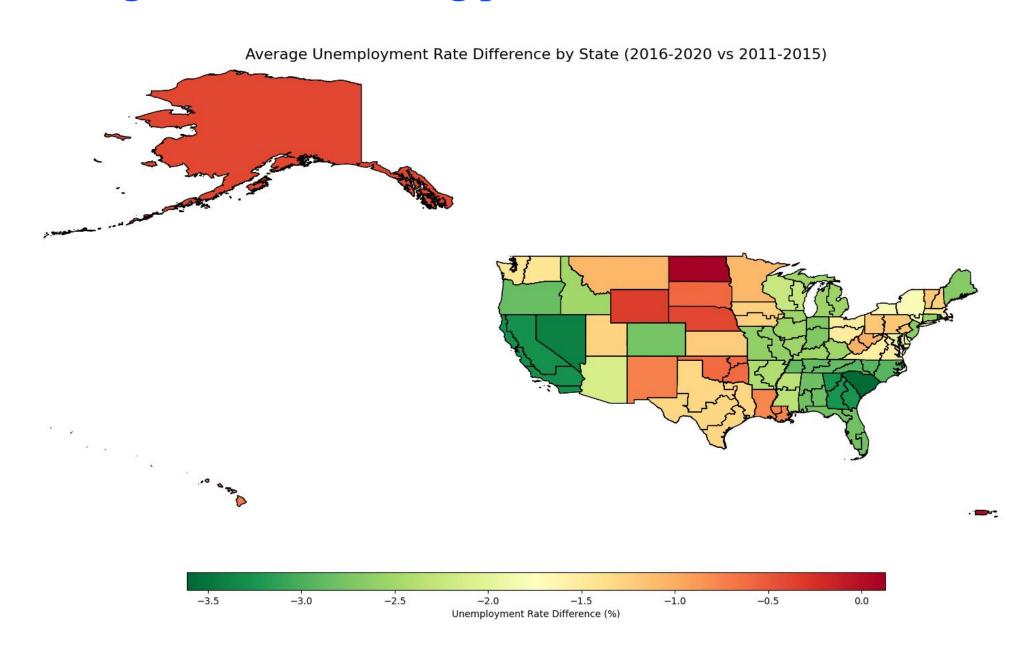
# 2.4 Average Yearly Unemployment Rate Difference by States (2016-2019 vs 2011-2015)



## 2.5 What if we include the effect of pandemic? (Year of 2020)



## 2.6 Following effect of including pandemic data

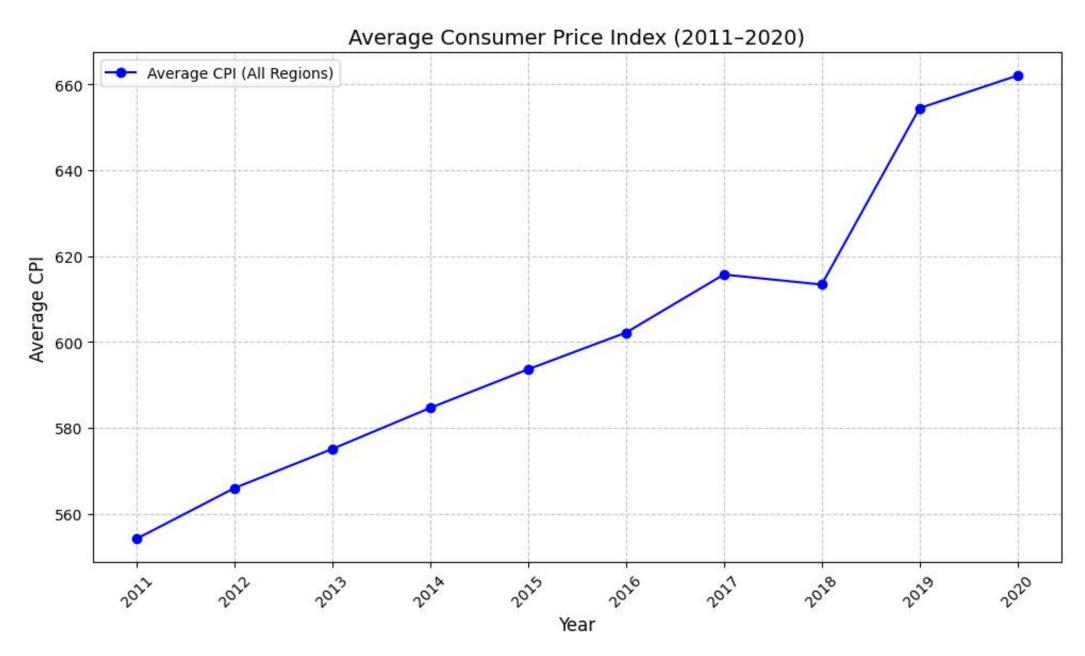


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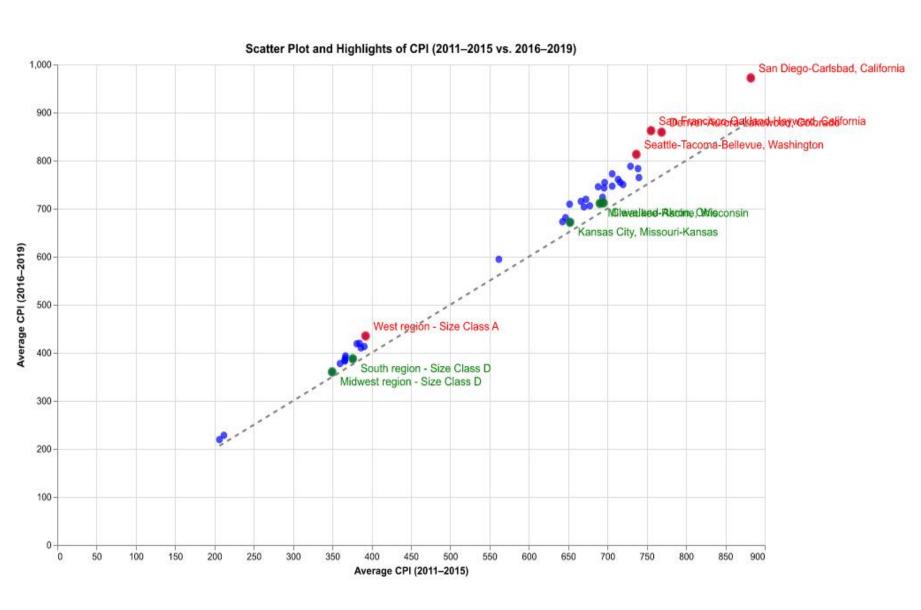
Consumer Price Index by Urban Areas



## 3.1 Outlook of CPI trend



## 3.2 Analysis of Consumer Price Index



## Top and Bottom 5 Areas (Colored) Top 5 Areas by Percentage Change

San Francisco-Oakland-Hayward, California Denver-Aurora-Lakewood, Colorado West region - Size Class A Seattle-Tacoma-Bellevue, Washington San Diego-Carlsbad, California

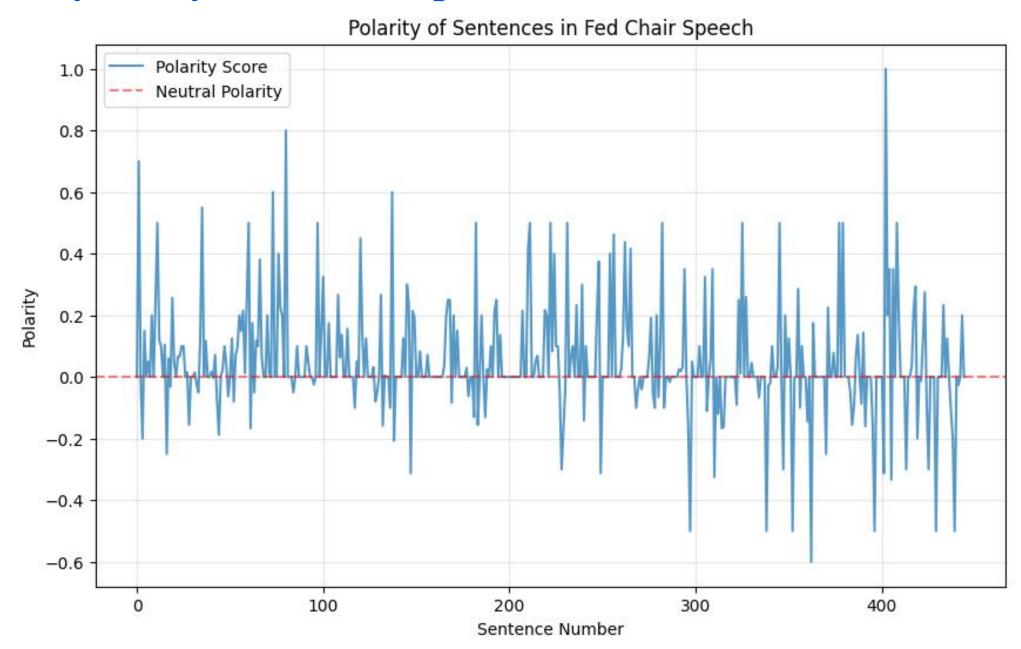
#### Bottom 5 Areas by Percentage Change

Cleveland-Akron, Ohio Kansas City, Missouri-Kansas Midwest region - Size Class D Milwaukee-Racine, Wisconsin South region - Size Class D

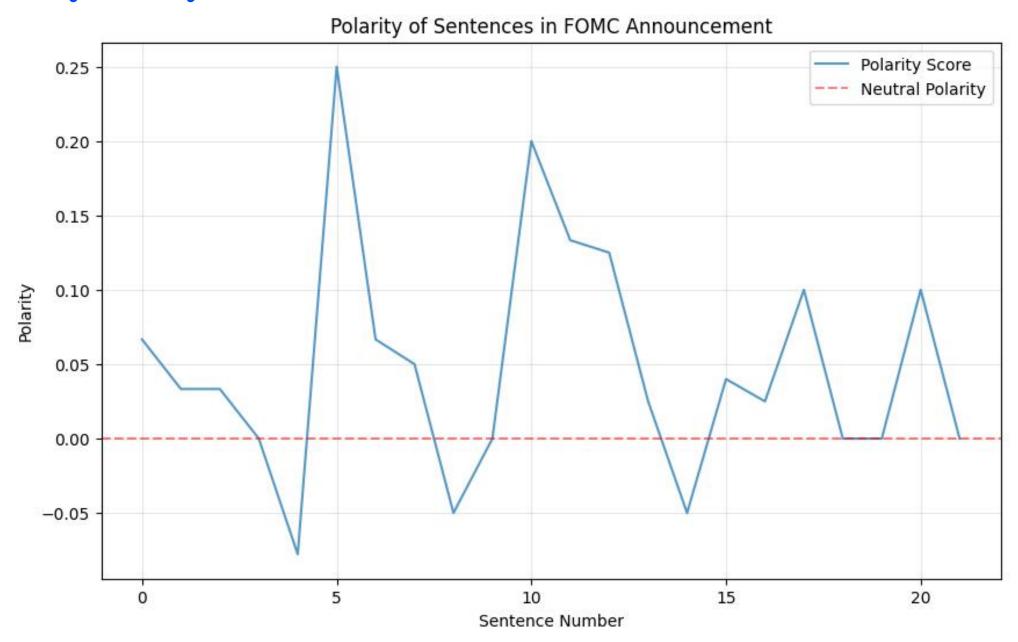
Natural Language Processing



## 4.1 Polarity Analysis of FED Speech



## 4.2 Polarity Analysis of FED Annoucement



## 4.3 Specific Wording Counting

#### Announcement:

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Announcement Adjective Counts: [('economic', 8), ('federal', 6), ('FOMC', 4), ('longer', 4), ('monetary', 3), ('moderate', 2), ('recent', 2), ('further', 2), ('maximum', 2), ('gradual', 2)]
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**Adjectives Percentage: 8.61% of total words** 

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Announcement Modal Counts: [('will', 9), ('should', 1)], Modals Percentage: 1.29% of total words
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Announcement Adverb Counts: [('further', 2), ('however', 1), ('appreciably', 1), ('early', 1), ('partly', 1), ('currently', 1), ('Overall', 1), ('as', 1), ('closely', 1), ('reasonably', 1)]
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**Adverbs Percentage: 2.19% of total words** 

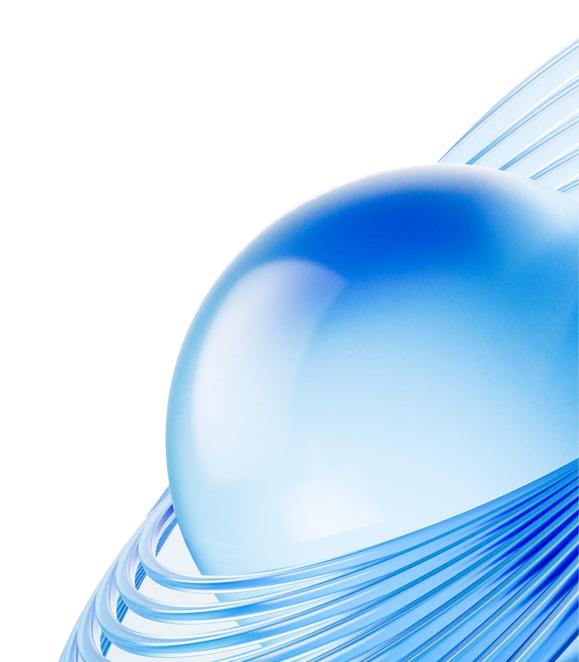
#### **Speech:**

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Speech Adjective Counts: [('federal', 24), ('economic', 24), ('financial', 20), ('median', 15), ('appropriate', 12), ('low', 11), ('further', 10), ('longer', 10), ('monetary', 10), ('transitory', 10)], Adjectives Percentage: 6.22% of total words
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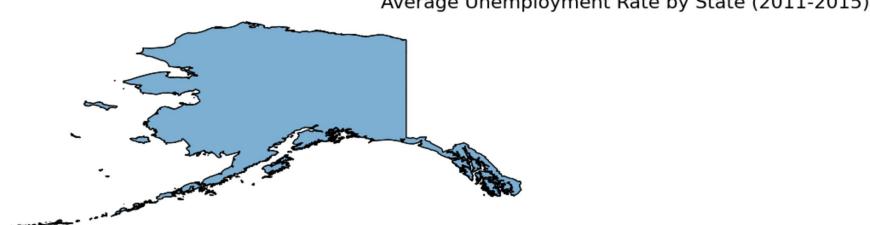
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Speech Modal Counts: [('will', 56), ('would', 53), ('could', 11), ('should', 8), ('might', 8), ('may', 7), ('ca', 4), ('d', 4), ('Could', 3), ('ould', 2)], Modals Percentage: 1.41% of total words
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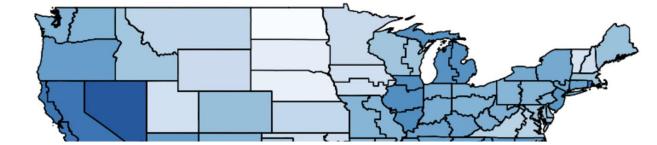
Speech Adverb Counts: [('So', 33), ('very', 24), ('well', 20), ('so', 18), ('also', 16), ('carefully', 13), ('n', 11), ('longer', 9), ('more', 9), ('as', 8)], Adverbs Percentage: 3.86% of total words

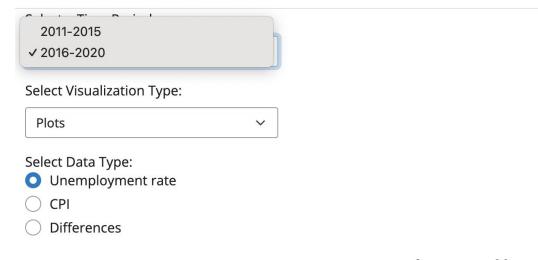
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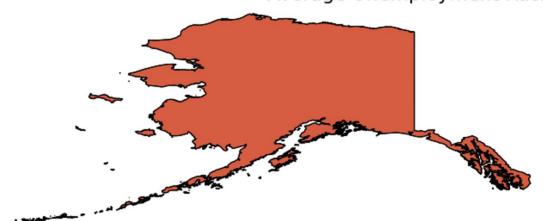
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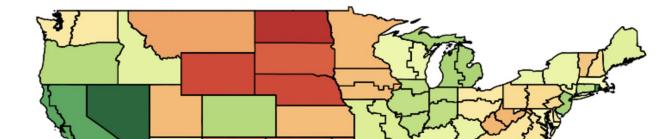
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#### Select Data Type:

- Unemployment rate
- CPI
- Differences

#### Average Unemployment Rate Difference by State (2016-2019 vs 2011-2015)





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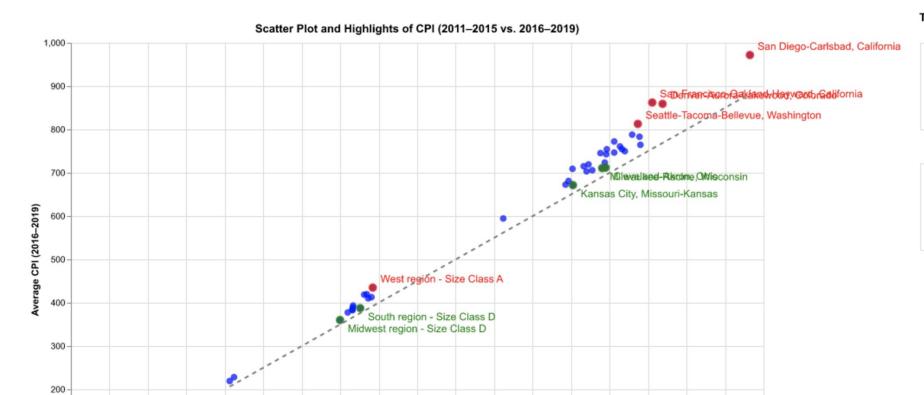
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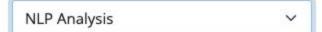
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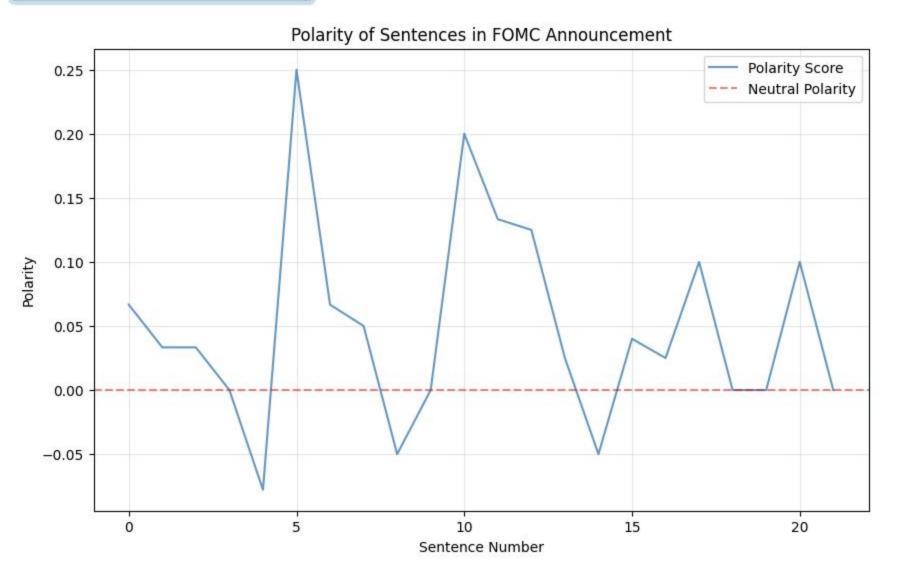
Cleveland-Akron, Ohio
Kansas City, Missouri-Kansas
Midwest region - Size Class D
Milwaukee-Racine, Wisconsin
South region - Size Class D

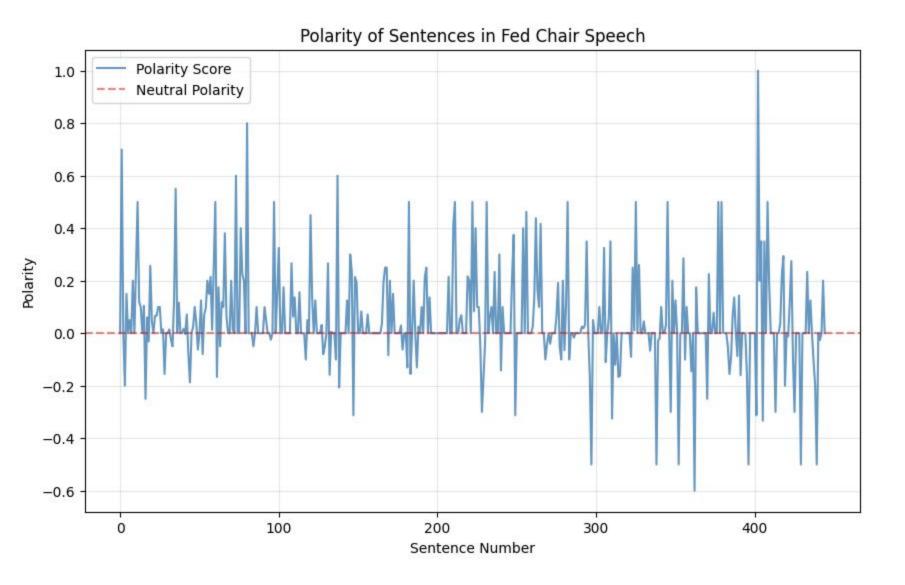
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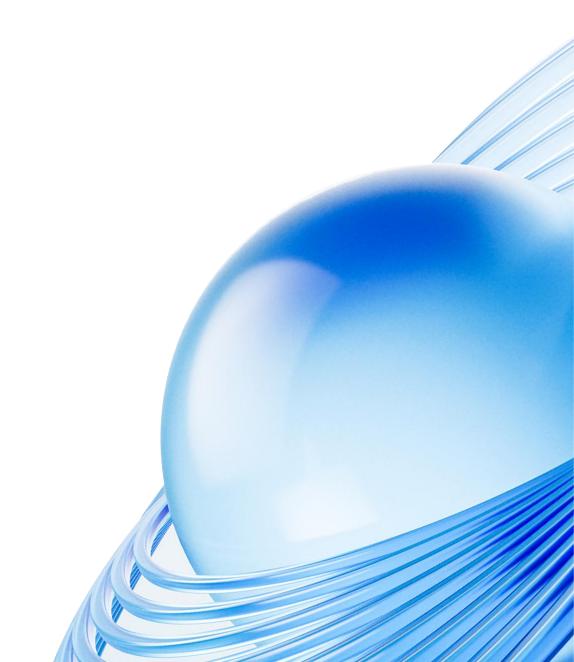


You selected: 2011-2015

Visualization Type: NLP Analysis

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## Conclusion



### 6. Conclusion

- 1. How interest rate changes behave differently across states and urban areas.
- 2. How speech and Announcement analysis reveals the Fed's nuanced communications strategy.
- Unemployment: The rise in the unemployment rate was accompanied by a decline in unemployment rates across all states.
- Most: the West, the Center, and the Southeast (Nevada, California, and North Carolina).
- CPI in all Urban areas maintains a continuous upward trend (California and Colorado).
- Higher interest rates lead to less unemployment and more spending in all regions!
- Unemployment and spending vary obviously from region to region!
- Fed Chair speech: more emotional variability and descriptive language, reflecting engagement and flexibility in addressing diverse audiences!
- FOMC statement: more concise and neutral, emphasizing policy clarity and formal communication!

