

Project annotations

Chart annotations

Help viewers to understand the project and how to use the visualisation

Help viewers to perceive the charts and optimise interpretations

Why annotations matter

- Hugely influential in facilitating understanding.
- Largely based on common sense!
- Goldilocks principle:
 - Too much: Cluttered, overwhelming.
 - Too little: Viewers left to find their own way around.

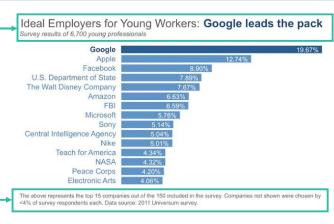




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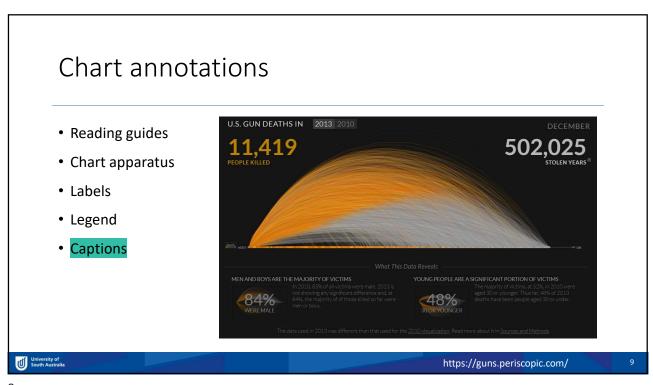
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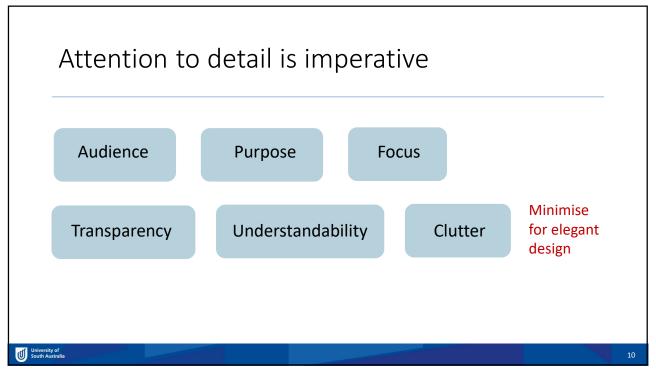
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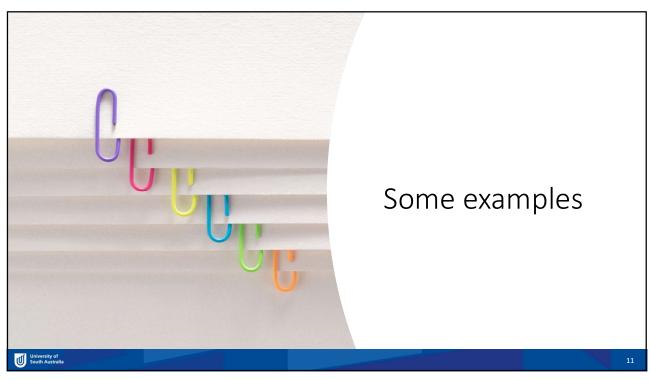
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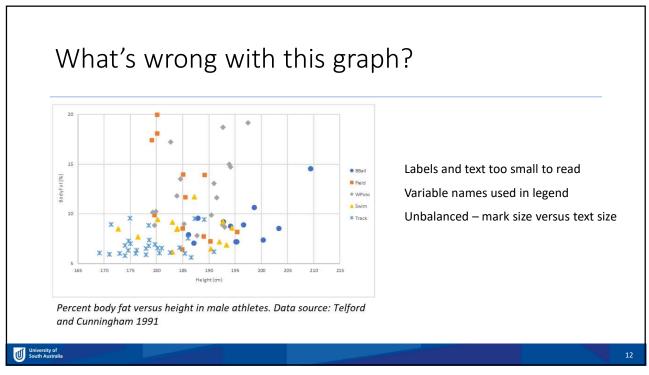
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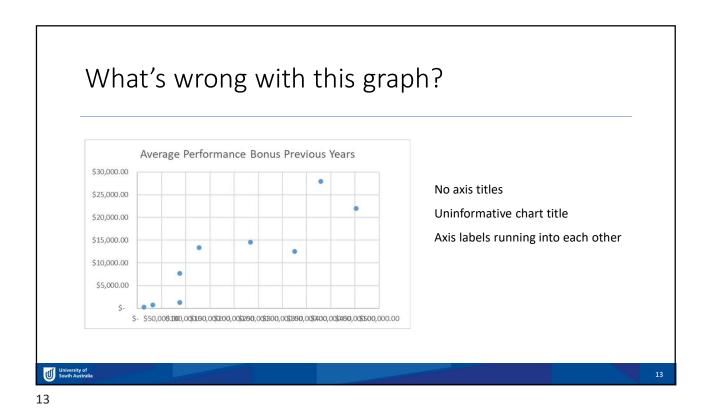
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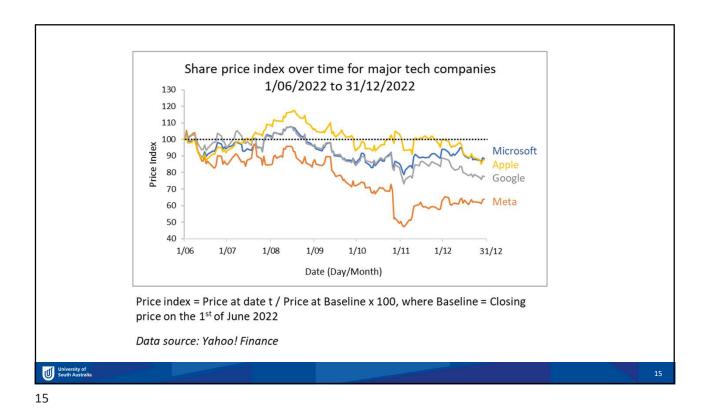


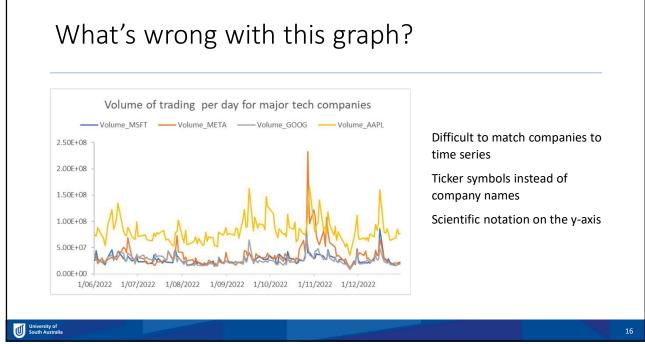






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