



# Ensuring Successful Retirement

Group 2

# Our Main Question

Hana W.

How do different circumstances  
affect the success of Americans'  
retirements?

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# How would we measure a retirement's success?

## Earlier Age of Retirement?

No, lacking financial security.

- FIRE versus Barista-FIRE

## Benefits from Social Security

No, lacking financial security.

- Benefits  $\neq$  Pre-Retirement Income

## Income and Spending?

Yes, measuring financial security.

# Strategy and Metrics for Our Source

"success of. . .retirement"

**One variable at least...**

...should show income and spending.

"different circumstances"

**Variables...**

...should be plentiful and distinct from one another.

"Americans"

**Set's sample...**

...should be large.

# Cleaning the Data

Amanda D.

- Source Data
- Jupyter Notebook
- Final Output

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Source Data: [www.federalreserve.gov](https://www.federalreserve.gov)

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## Survey of Consumer Finances (SCF)

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**Survey of Consumer Finances (SCF)**

The 2022 Survey of Consumer Finances (SCF) is the most recent survey conducted. Below are links to the bulletin article, interactive chartbook, historical bulletin tables, full public dataset, extract dataset, replicate weight files, and documentation.

**Citation**

**URL**  
<https://www.federalreserve.gov/econres/scfindex.htm>

**DOI Identifier**  
<https://doi.org/10.17016/8799>

**Creator**

## Original Dataset

	YY1	Y1	WGT	HHSEX	AGE	AGECL	EDUC	EDCL	MARRIED	KIDS	...	NWCAT	INCCAT	A
0	1	11	3027.956120	2	70	5	9	3	2	2	...	4	2	
1	1	12	3054.900065	2	70	5	9	3	2	2	...	4	2	
2	1	13	3163.637766	2	70	5	9	3	2	2	...	4	2	
3	1	14	3166.228463	2	70	5	9	3	2	2	...	3	2	

## Consolidated Dataframe

```
data_df = data[['AGE',  
                'AGECL',  
                'EDCL',  
                'FAMSTRUCT',  
                'KIDS',
```

# Jupyter Notebook

## .rename ( ) method

```
#Rename column headers from Code to Description
data_df = data_df.rename(columns={"AGE": "Age",
                                  "AGECL": "Age Group",
                                  "EDCL": "Education",
```

## mapping dictionary and .replace ( ) method

```
# Map row numerical codes to descriptions
age_map = {1: "< 35", 2: "35-44", 3: "45-54", 4: "55-64", 5: "65-74", 6: ">=75"}
education_map = {1: "no high school", 2: "high school diploma or GED", \
                 3: "some college or Assoc. degree", \
                 4: "Bachelors degree or higher"}
family_structure_map = {1: "not married/LWP + children", \
                        2: "not married/LWP + children + reference person under 55", \
                        3: "not married/LWP + no children + reference person 55 or older", \
                        4: "married/LWP+ children", 5: "married/LWP + no children"}
```

```
#Replace row numerical codes to descriptions
data_df['Age Group'] = data_df['Age Group'].replace(age_map)
data_df['Education'] = data_df['Education'].replace(education_map)
data_df['Family Structure'] = data_df['Family Structure'].replace(family_structure_map)
```

## mapping dictionary and .replace ( ) method within a for loop

```
#Create mapping dictionary for Yes / No columns and apply to specified columns
columns_to_convert = ['Household declared bankruptcy, last 5 yrs', \
                      'Respondant had foreclosure, last 5 yrs', \
                      'Pension exists for reference person/spouse', \
```

```
yes_no_mapping = {1: 'Yes', 0: 'No'}
```

```
for column in columns_to_convert:
    data_df[column] = data_df[column].replace(yes_no_mapping)
```

## Find\_reasons function and .apply ( ) method to consolidate multiple columns into a new column

```
#Create a new column for Reason for Saving and consolidate 5 separate Yes/No
#reason for savings columns into one with only the reason.
reason_columns = ["Can't Save", 'Saving for Home', 'Saving for Retirement', \
                  'Saving for Liquidity/Future', 'Saving for Investment']

#Check for yes columns to find reason for saving. If no reason listed, add "None Listed".
def find_reasons(row):
    reasons = []
    for col in reason_columns:
        if row[col] == 'Yes':
            reasons.append(col)
    if not reasons:
        return 'None Listed'
    return ', '.join(reasons)
```



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# Final Dataset

	Age	Age Group	Education	Family Structure	Kids	Marital Status	Occupation Category	Occupation Class	Race/Ethnicity	Life Cycle
0	70	65-74	some college or Assoc. degree	not married/LWP + children	2	neither married nor living with partner	retired/disabled + (student/homemaker/misc. no...	not working	white non-Hispanic	55 or older and not working
1	70	65-74	some college or Assoc. degree	not married/LWP + children	2	neither married nor living with partner	retired/disabled + (student/homemaker/misc. no...	not working	white non-Hispanic	55 or older and not working
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# Our Graphs, Part #1

Jessica V.

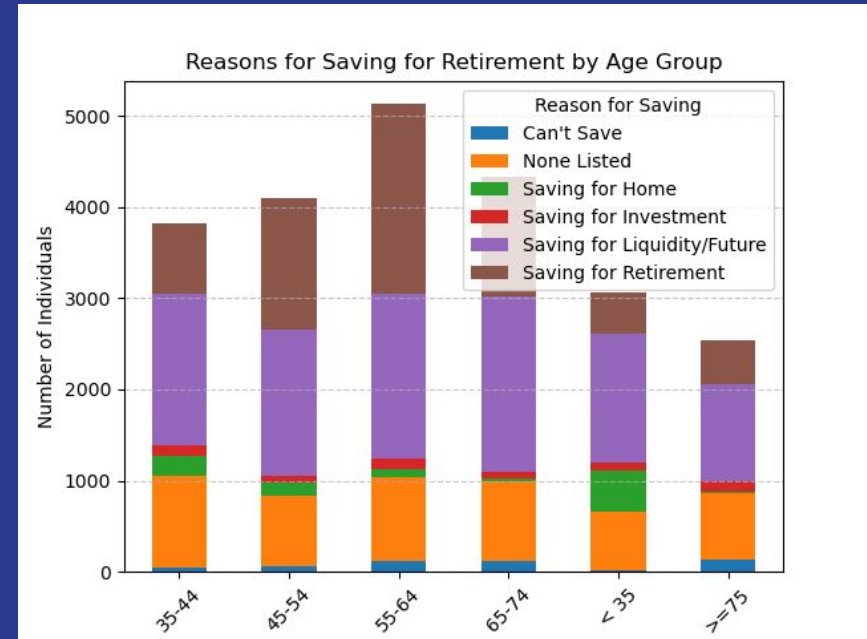
## Retrieving the Data:

- The following slides primarily describe aspects related to retirement savings behaviors and their correlation with different demographics

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# 1<sup>st</sup> Graph:

Which age group saves the most for retirement?



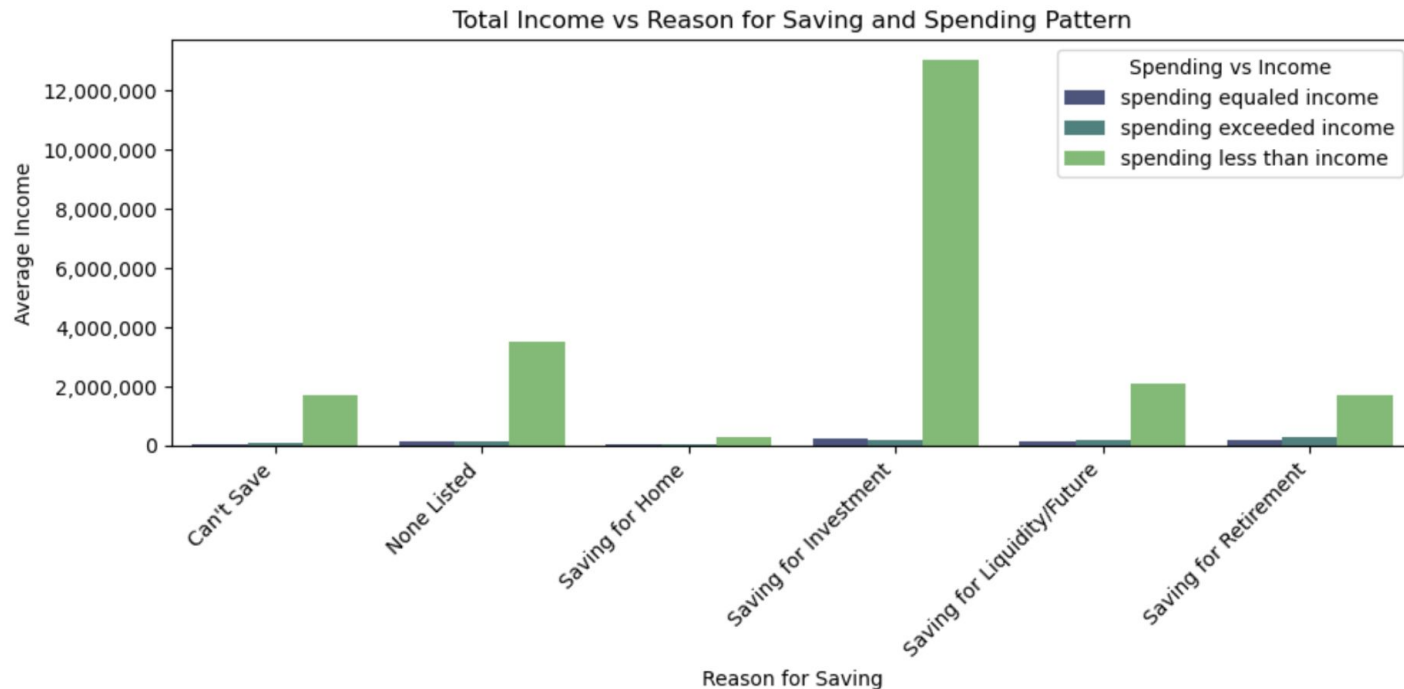
# The code for Graph #1

```
#Reasons for savings for retirement by age group
age_reason_counts = data_df.groupby(['Age Group', 'Reason for Saving']).size().unstack().fillna(0)

plt.figure(figsize=(12, 7))
age_reason_counts.plot(kind='bar', stacked=True)
plt.title('Reasons for Saving for Retirement by Age Group')
plt.xlabel('Age Group')
plt.ylabel('Number of Individuals')
plt.xticks(rotation=45)
plt.grid(axis='y', linestyle='--', alpha=0.7)
plt.legend(title='Reason for Saving')
plt.show()
```

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Graph:

How does total income vary by reason for saving and spending patterns?



# The code for Graph #2

```
# Total income versus reason for saving and spending pattern
```

```
plot_df = data_df.groupby(['Reason for Saving', 'Spending vs Income, last 12 mo'])['Total Income 2019'].mean().reset_index()
```

```
plt.figure(figsize=(10, 5))
```

```
sns.barplot(data=plot_df, x='Reason for Saving', y='Total Income 2019', hue='Spending vs Income, last 12 mo', palette='viridis')
```

```
plt.title('Total Income vs Reason for Saving and Spending Pattern')
```

```
plt.xlabel('Reason for Saving')
```

```
plt.ylabel('Average Income')
```

```
plt.xticks(rotation=45, ha='right')
```

```
ax = plt.gca() # Get current axis
```

```
ax.get_yaxis().set_major_formatter(mtick.FuncFormatter(lambda x, p: format(int(x), ',')))
```

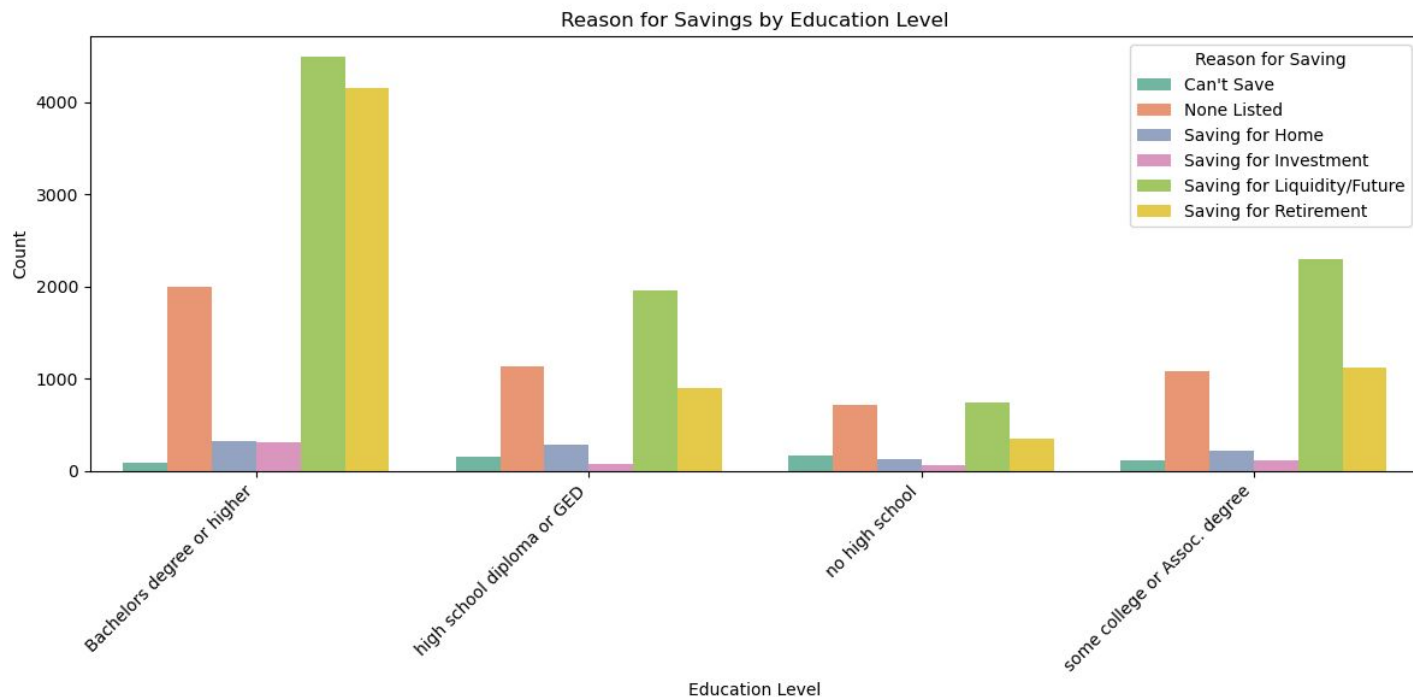
```
plt.legend(title='Spending vs Income')
```

```
plt.tight_layout()
```

```
plt.show()
```

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Graph:

How do reasons for saving vary across different education levels?



# The code for Graph #3

```
#Education versus reason for savings
```

```
education_saving_df = data_df.groupby(['Education', 'Reason for Saving']).size().reset_index(name='Count')
```

```
plt.figure(figsize=(12, 6))
```

```
sns.barplot(data=education_saving_df, x='Education', y='Count', hue='Reason for Saving', palette='Set2')
```

```
plt.title('Reason for Savings by Education Level')
```

```
plt.xlabel('Education Level')
```

```
plt.ylabel('Count')
```

```
plt.xticks(rotation=45, ha='right')
```

```
plt.legend(title='Reason for Saving')
```

```
plt.tight_layout()
```

```
plt.show()
```



# Our Graphs, Part #2

Rebekah R.

## Retrieving the Data:

- All retirement figures represent quasi-liquid retirement assets only: No physical assets or checking/saving accounts are included in “retirement” figures.

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# The Outliers

```
# Data Wrangling: Find and remove outliers
```

```
# Original Dataset max/min:
```

```
max_ret = max(data_df['Total Equity: Quasi-Liquid Retirement Assets 2019'])
```

```
min_ret = min(data_df['Total Equity: Quasi-Liquid Retirement Assets 2019'])
```

```
# Finding the Quartiles & IQR
```

```
quartiles = data_df['Total Equity: Quasi-Liquid Retirement Assets 2019'].quantile([.25, .5, .75])
```

```
lowerq = quartiles[0.25]
```

```
upperq = quartiles[0.75]
```

```
iqr = upperq - lowerq
```

```
# Finding the Bounds
```

```
lower_bound = lowerq - (1.5 * iqr)
```

```
upper_bound = upperq + (1.5 * iqr)
```

```
# Finding the outliers
```

```
outliers = data_df[(data_df['Total Equity: Quasi-Liquid Retirement Assets 2019'] < lower_bound) | \  
                  (data_df['Total Equity: Quasi-Liquid Retirement Assets 2019'] > upper_bound)]
```

```
# Defining a new dataframe without the outliers
```

```
final_data_df = data_df[~data_df['Total Equity: Quasi-Liquid Retirement Assets 2019']\  
                       .isin(outliers['Total Equity: Quasi-Liquid Retirement Assets 2019'])]
```

```
# Display the original min/max as compared to the new bounds
```

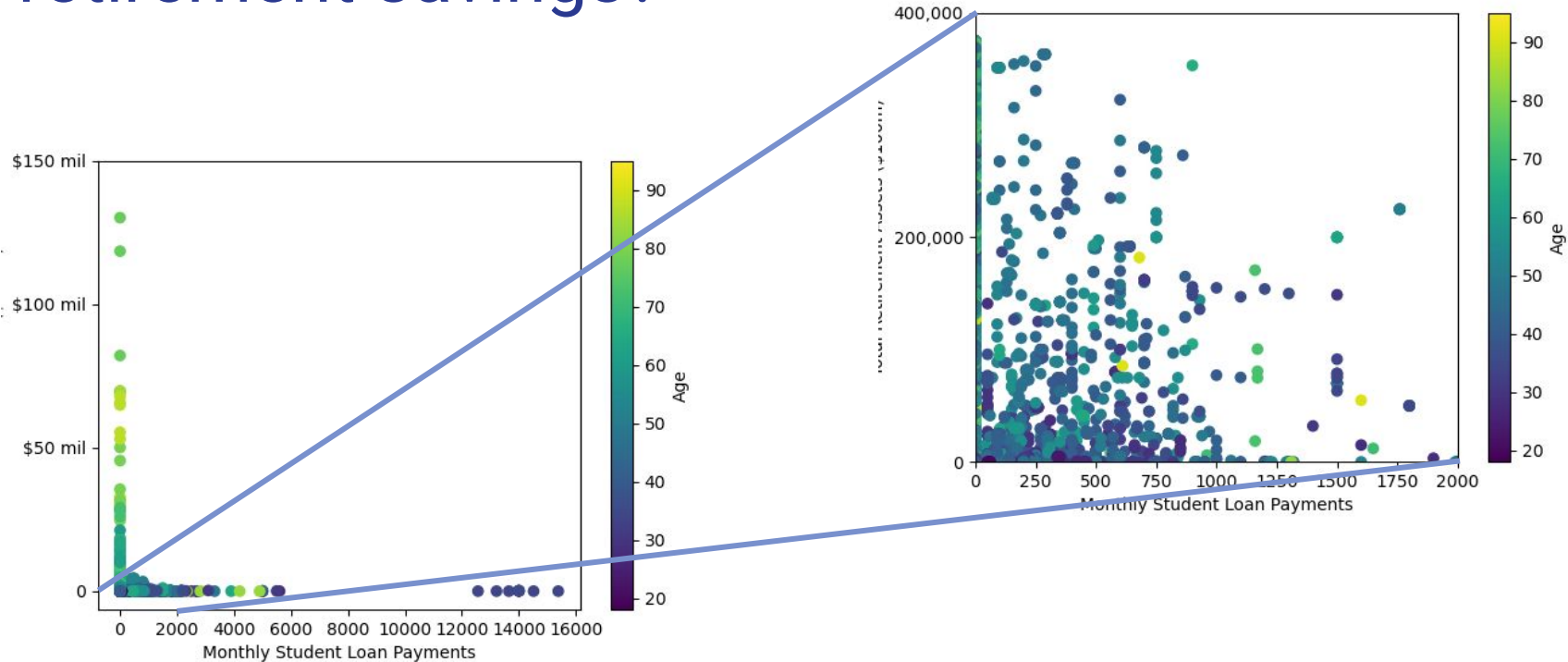
```
print(f"Original Min Retirement: ${min_ret:,.2f}; Original Max Retirement: ${max_ret:,.2f}")
```

```
print(f"Lower Bound: ${lower_bound:,.2f}; Upper Bound: ${upper_bound:,.2f}")
```

```
Original Min Retirement: $0.00; Original Max Retirement: $130,122,000.00
```

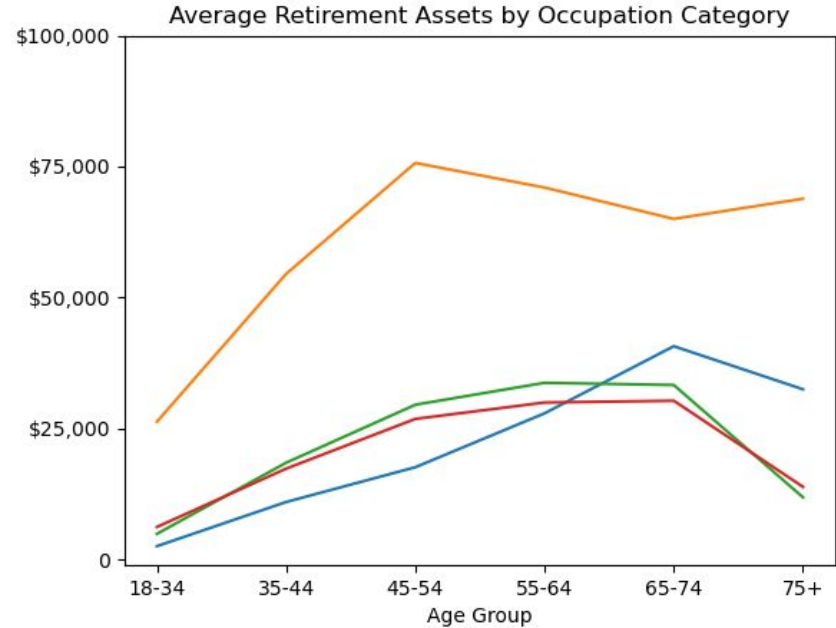
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Lower Bound: $-225,000.00; Upper Bound: $375,000.00
```

# 4th Graph: How do student loan payments affect retirement savings?



# 5<sup>th</sup> Graph:

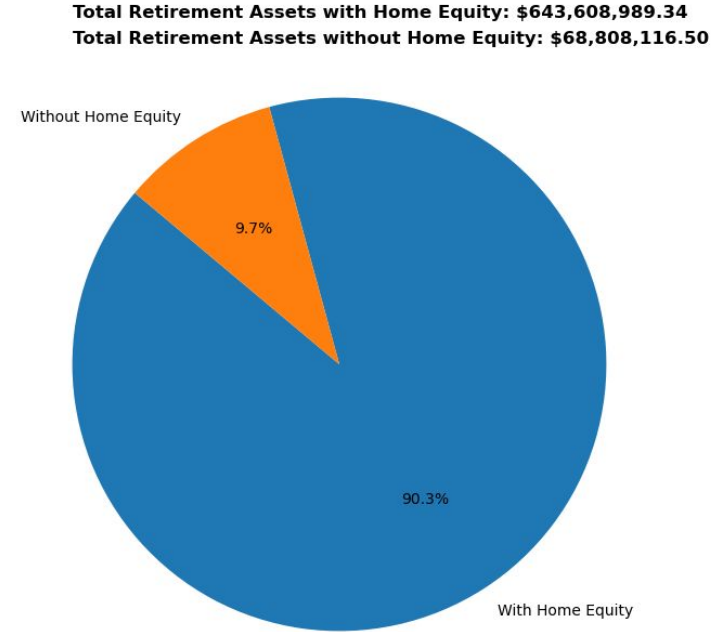
How does occupation type affect retirement savings?



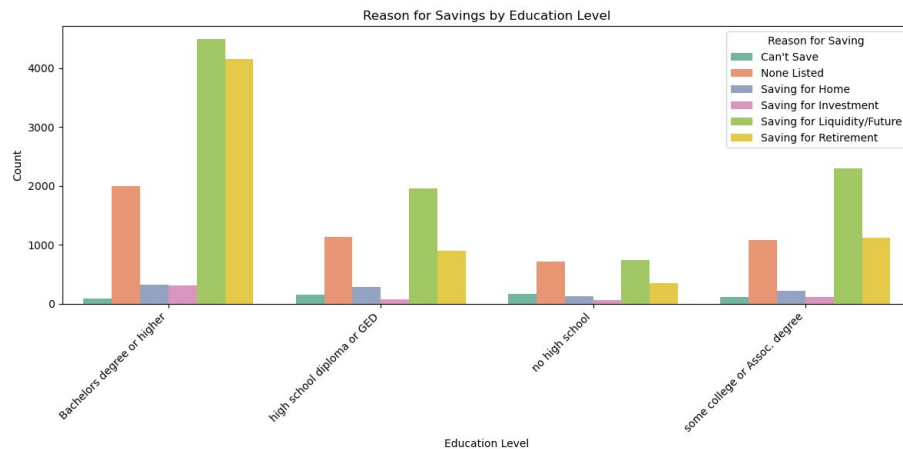
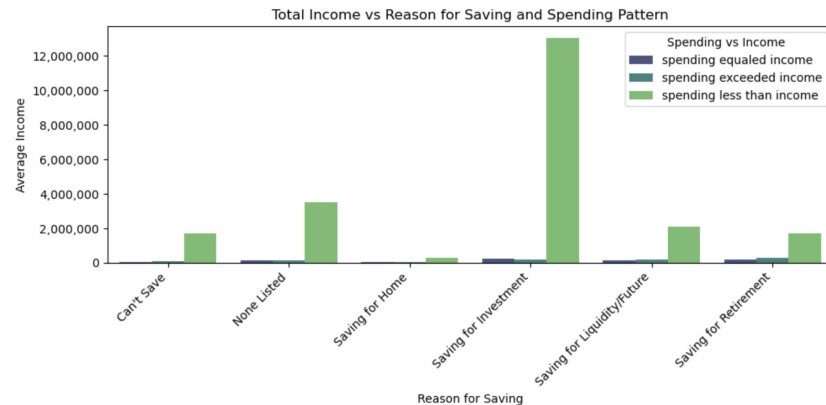
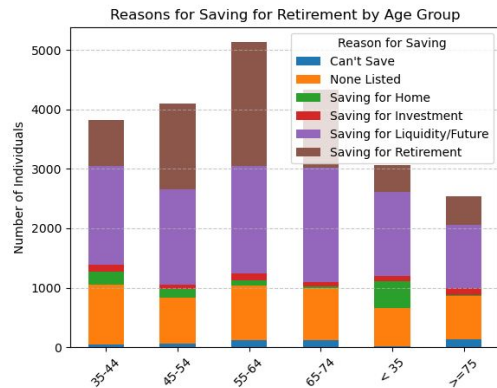
- not working
- managerial/professional
- technical/sales/services
- other (incl. production/craft/repair workers, operators, laborers, farmers, foresters, fishers)

## 6<sup>th</sup> Graph:

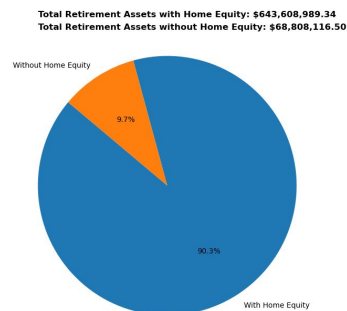
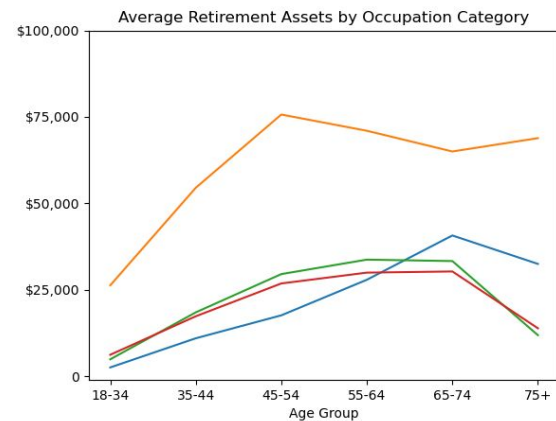
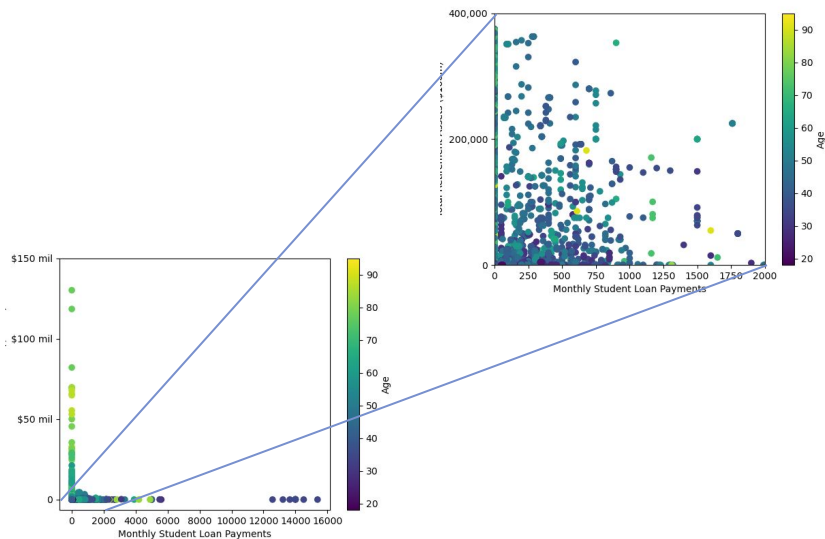
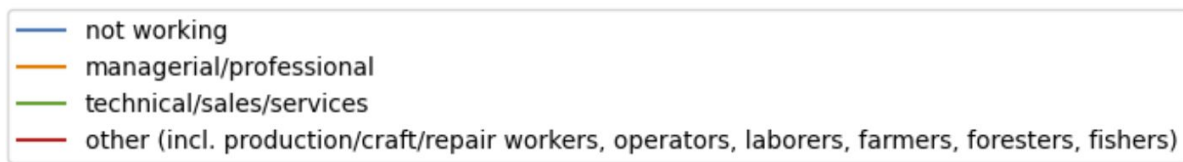
How does home ownership affect total retirement savings?



# Agustín R.'s Analysis, Part #1



# Agustín R.'s Analysis, Part #2



# Our Conclusions

Hana W.

- Findings' Implications

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Thanks for listening to our  
presentation!