

UK Royalty Popularity Investigation

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0.1 # Royal Family Popularity Ranker

0.2 ## UK ONS Live Birth Dataset 1996-2021

Popularity is based on the number of babies named after royalty.

To compare names against the Office for National Statistics UK baby name dataset, alter the code in the cell below.

```
females = ["girl name", "another girl"]
```

```
males = ["boy name", "another boy name", "another boy"]
```

Charts will be plotted using Bokeh, Matplotlib, Seaborn & Plotly

Using the ONS live birth data 1996-2021 www.ons.gov.uk

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0.3 Setup names to compare

```
[ ]: #Setup names for family.  
females = ["Meghan", "Catherine"]  
males = ["Harry", "William"]  
family = females + males
```

0.4 IMPORTS

```
[ ]: import pandas as pd  
  
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt  
%matplotlib inline  
  
from bokeh.plotting import figure, show  
from bokeh.models import ColumnDataSource  
from bokeh.models import NumeralTickFormatter  
from bokeh.io import output_notebook  
output_notebook()  
  
import plotly.express as px
```

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import plotly.io as pio
pio.renderers.default='notebook'

import seaborn as sns
```

0.5 Create lists for later data wrangling

```
[ ]: #Create some lists to select or reformat data later
count_cols = []      # "1996 Count", ... "2021 Count" ** Used to drop/rename
    ↪ columns
rank_cols = []       # "1996 Rank", ... "2021 Rank" ** Used to drop/rename
    ↪ columns
years = []           # "1996", ... "2021" ** Used to wrangle data and rename
    ↪ columns
colours = ["red","blue","yellow","orange","brown","cyan","black"] # for charts
for f in range(1996,2022):
    count_cols.append(str(f) + ' Count')
    rank_cols.append(str(f) + ' Rank')
    years.append(str(f))
```

```
[ ]: #Import ONS data
df1 = pd.read_excel("babynames1996to2021.xlsx","1",skiprows =7)      # Boys
    ↪ names in workbook 1
df2 = pd.read_excel( 'babynames1996to2021.xlsx',"2",skiprows =7)    # Girls
    ↪ names in workbook 2
df1 = df1.set_index("Name")
df2 = df2.set_index("Name")
```

```
[ ]: #Replace NaN with 0
df1 = df1.replace("[x]",0)
df2 = df2.replace("[x]",0)
```

0.6 Filter our names to new DataFrame

```
[ ]: #Filter names from ONS data
Girls = df2.loc[females]
Boys = df1.loc[males]
df_family = pd.concat([Girls, Boys], axis=0)
```

```
[ ]: #Drop rank and count columns
df_family_counts = df_family.drop(columns=rank_cols)
df_family_ranks = df_family.drop(columns=count_cols)
```

```
[ ]: #Rename columns "1996 Count" -> "1996" and "1996 Rank" -> "1996"
df_family_counts.columns = df_family_counts.columns.str.replace(" Count","")
df_family_ranks.columns = df_family_ranks.columns.str.replace(" Rank","")
```

```
[ ]: #Pivot DFs so rows are date observations
df_family_counts = pd.pivot_table(df_family_counts, values = years,
    ↪columns=["Name"])
df_family_counts.index.name = "Year"
df_family_counts = df_family_counts.reindex(columns=family)

df_family_ranks = pd.pivot_table(df_family_ranks, values = years,
    ↪columns=["Name"])
df_family_ranks.index.name = "Year"
df_family_ranks = df_family_ranks.reindex(columns=family)
```

0.7 ## Tables

0.8 UK Ranking

```
[ ]: #Display the rank table
df_family_ranks.sort_index(ascending=False).head()
```

```
[ ]: Name  Meghan  Catherine  Harry  William
Year
2021    1286         457      7      21
2020     710         416      8      20
2019     641         417      5      17
2018     431         419      3      14
2017     797         313      2      11
```

0.9 ## Number of Top 20 entries

```
[ ]: #Display the rank table
for name in family:
    df_temp = df_family_ranks[name]
    print(name + (' ' * (10 - len(name))) + '\t' + str(df_temp[df_temp <= 20].
    ↪count()))
```

```
Meghan      0
Catherine   0
Harry       26
William     24
```

0.10 ## Number of Top 10 entries

```
[ ]: #Display the rank table
for name in family:
    df_temp = df_family_ranks[name]
    print(name + (' ' * (10 - len(name))) + '\t' + str(df_temp[df_temp <= 10].
    ↪count()))
```

Meghan	0
Catherine	0
Harry	19
William	15

0.11 ## Number of No 1's

```
[ ]: #Display the rank table
for name in family:
    df_temp = df_family_ranks[name]
    print(name + (' ' * (10 - len(name))) + ' \t' + str(df_temp[df_temp == 1].
    ↪count()))
```

Meghan	0
Catherine	0
Harry	2
William	0

0.12 ## Highest position in charts

```
[ ]: #Display the rank table

df_fs = pd.pivot_table(df_family_ranks,columns="Year")
df_fs = df_fs.unstack()
df_fs = df_fs.reset_index()
df_top_rank = pd.DataFrame()
df_low_rank = pd.DataFrame()

for name in family:
    df_tmp = df_fs[df_fs["Name"]==name]
    df_tmp.columns=["Year", "Name", "Rank"]
    df_tmphigh = (df_tmp[df_tmp["Rank"].min()==df_tmp["Rank"]])
    df_tmplow = (df_tmp[df_tmp["Rank"].max()==df_tmp["Rank"]])
    df_top_rank = pd.concat([df_top_rank,df_tmphigh])
    df_low_rank = pd.concat([df_low_rank,df_tmplow])

df_top_rank = df_top_rank.reindex(columns=["Name", "Year", "Rank"])
df_top_rank = df_top_rank.set_index("Name")
df_top_rank.sort_values(by=["Rank", "Year"],ascending = [True,False])
```

```
[ ]:
      Year  Rank
Name
Harry   2012    1
Harry   2011    1
William  2010    7
William  2006    7
Catherine 1996   68
Meghan   1998  237
```

0.13 ## Lowest position in charts

```
[ ]: df_low_rank = df_low_rank.reindex(columns=["Name", "Year", "Rank"])
df_low_rank = df_low_rank.set_index("Name")
df_low_rank.sort_values(by=["Rank", "Year"])
```

```
[ ]:
      Year  Rank
Name
Harry    1996   17
Harry    1997   17
William  1996   21
William  2021   21
Catherine 2021  457
Meghan    2021 1286
```

0.14 Number of UK Babies

```
[ ]: df_family_counts.sort_index(ascending=False).head()
```

```
[ ]:
      Name  Meghan  Catherine  Harry  William
Year
2021     25         95    3089    2093
2020     52        102    3209    2215
2019     61        101    3823    2667
2018    101        104    4512    3015
2017     49        155    5031    3437
```

```
[ ]: #Create totals DF
df1_totals = df1.drop(columns=rank_cols).sum()
df2_totals = df2.drop(columns=rank_cols).sum()
df1_totals = df1_totals.reset_index()
df2_totals = df2_totals.reset_index()
df_totals = pd.concat([df1_totals, df2_totals], axis=0)
df_totals = df_totals.replace(count_cols, years)
#df_totals = df1_totals + df2_totals
df_totals.columns=["Years", "Total"]
df_totals = df_totals.groupby("Years").sum()
```

```
[ ]: #Calculate accumulative percentage change
df_family_diff = pd.DataFrame(df_family_counts, copy=True)
temp_col = [] # Build a list of temp columns to drop later
for name in family:
    df_family_diff[name + " Diff"] = df_family_diff[name].diff()
    temp_col.append(name + " Diff")
df_family_diff = df_family_diff.fillna(0)

for name in family:
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    df_family_diff[name + " %"] = df_family_diff[name + " Diff"] /
↳df_family_diff[name]
    df_family_diff[name + " %"] = df_family_diff[name + " %"].cumsum()

# Drop the columns not required for plotting
temp_col += family
df_family_diff = df_family_diff.drop(columns=temp_col)

```

0.15 ## Bokeh Charts

```

[ ]: source = ColumnDataSource(df_totals)
p = figure(title="Total UK baby names", x_axis_label="Year",
↳y_axis_label="Babies",x_range=years, width=1100, height=500)
p.line(source=source, x="Years",y="Total")
show(p)

```

```

[ ]: # create a new plot with a title and axis labels
source = ColumnDataSource(df_family_counts)
p = figure(title="UK baby count for selected names", x_axis_label="",
↳y_axis_label="Babies",x_range=years, width=1100, height=500)

for index,name in enumerate(family):
    p.line(x = "Year", y = name, legend_label=name,
↳line_color=colours[index],line_width=2,source=source)

show(p)

```

```

[ ]: # create a new plot with a title and axis labels
source = ColumnDataSource(df_family_ranks)
p = figure(title="UK baby name rankings", x_axis_label="Year",y_range=(1500,1),
↳y_axis_label="Name UK rank",x_range=years, width=1100, height=500)

for index,name in enumerate(family):
    p.line(x = "Year", y = name, legend_label=name,
↳line_color=colours[index],line_width=2,source=source)

show(p)

```

```

[ ]: # create a new plot with a title and axis labels
source = ColumnDataSource(df_family_diff)
p = figure(title="Name Popularity % Change", x_axis_label="Year",
↳y_axis_label="%",x_range=years, width=1100, height=500)

for index,name in enumerate(family):
    p.line(x = "Year", y = (name + " %"), legend_label=name,
↳line_color=colours[index],line_width=2,source=source)

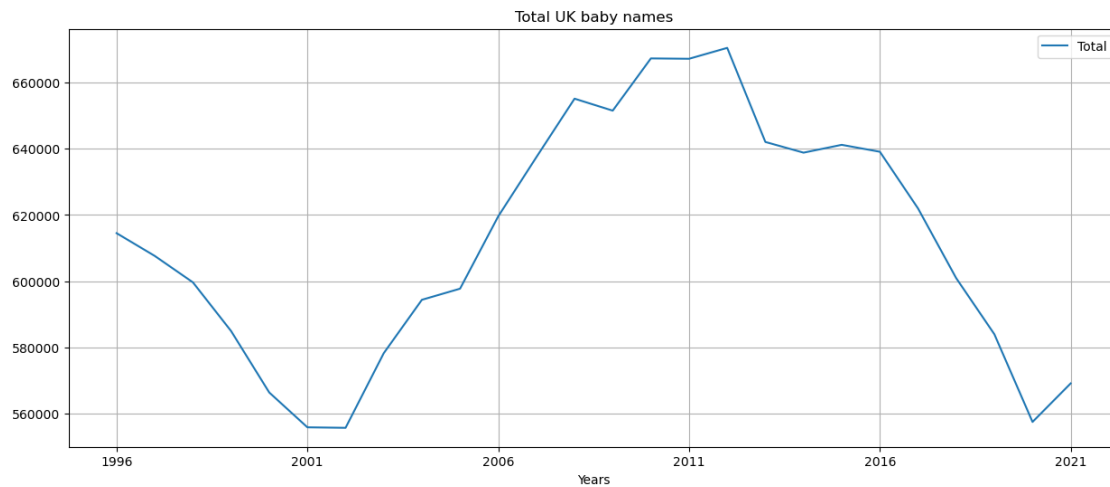
```

```
show(p)
```

0.16 ## Matplotlib Charts

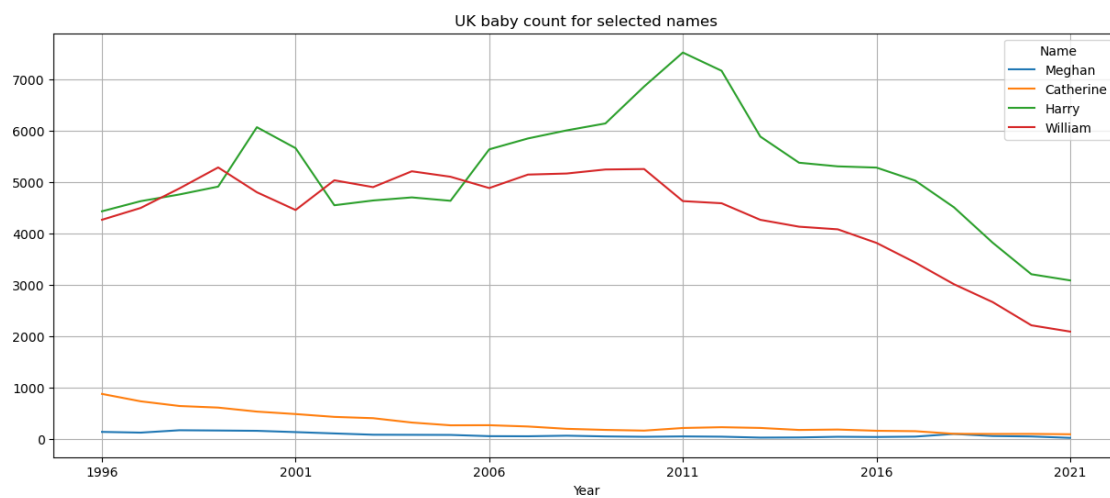
```
[ ]: df_totals.plot(title="Total UK baby names",figsize=(15,6),grid=True)
```

```
[ ]: <AxesSubplot:title={'center':'Total UK baby names'}, xlabel='Years'>
```



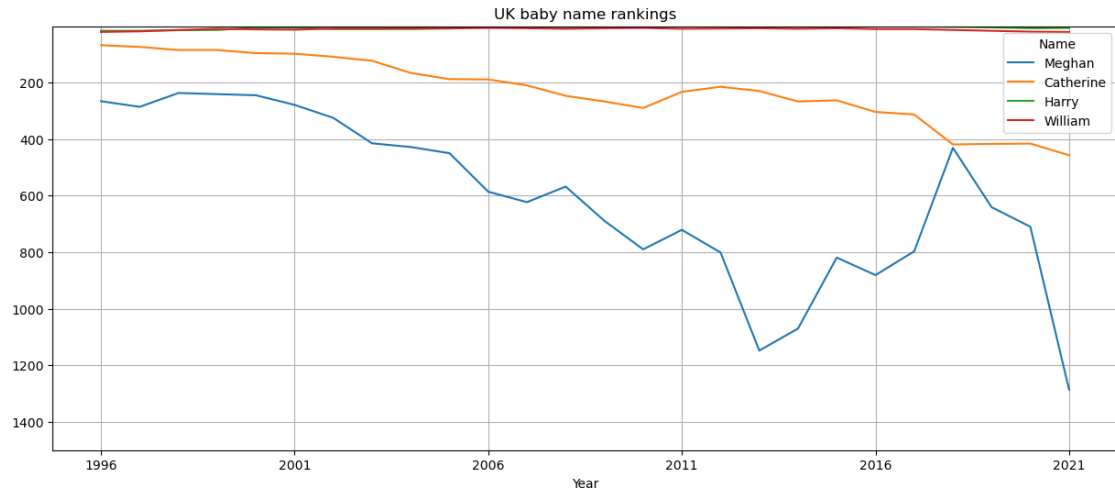
```
[ ]: df_family_counts.plot(title="UK baby count for selected_↵
↵names",figsize=(15,6),grid=True)
```

```
[ ]: <AxesSubplot:title={'center':'UK baby count for selected names'}, xlabel='Year'>
```



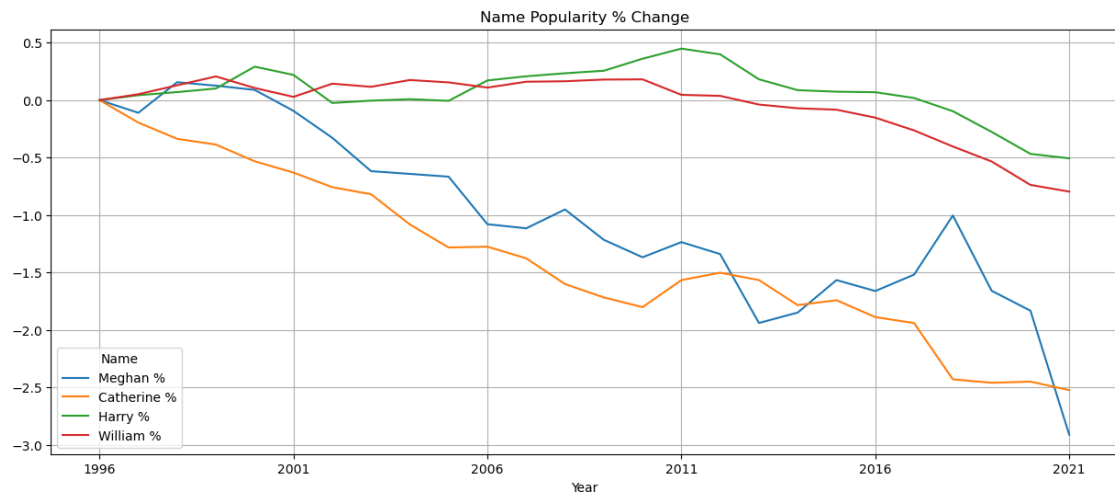
```
[ ]: df_family_ranks.plot(title="UK baby name rankings",figsize=(15,6),grid=True)
plt.ylim(1500,1)
```

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[ ]: (1500.0, 1.0)
```



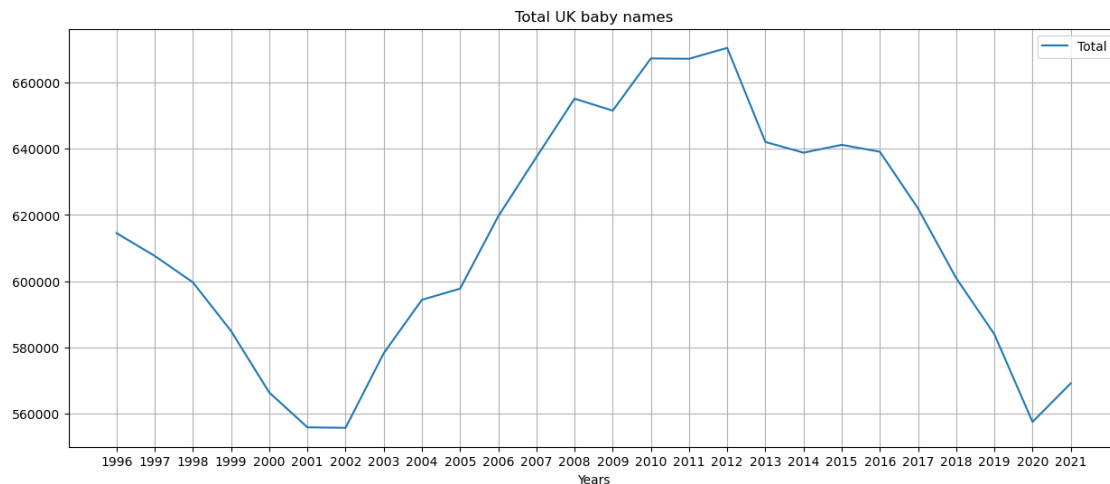
```
[ ]: df_family_diff.plot(title="Name Popularity % Change",figsize=(15,6),grid=True)
```

```
[ ]: <AxesSubplot:title={'center':'Name Popularity % Change'}, xlabel='Year'>
```

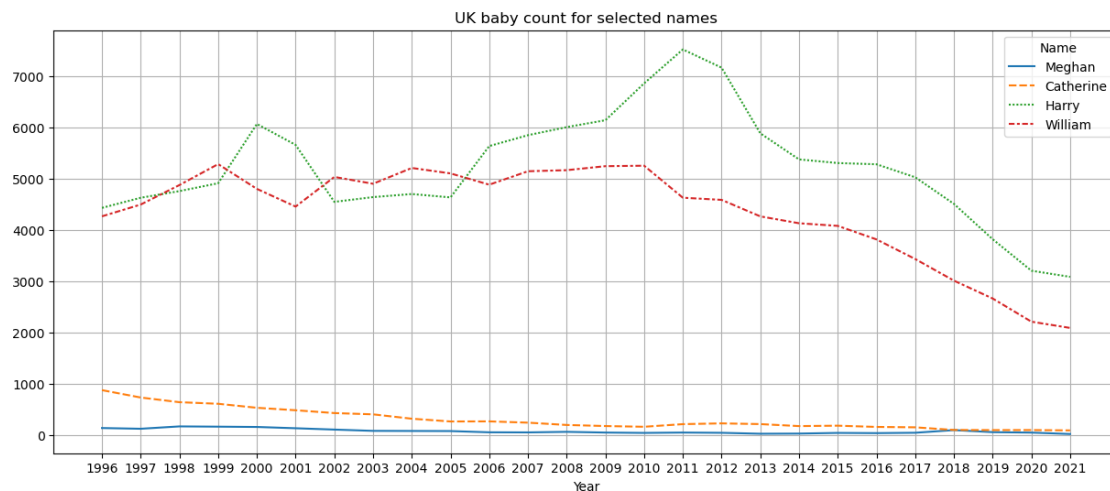


0.17 ## Seaborn Charts

```
[ ]: fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(15, 6))
sns.lineplot(df_totals).set(title="Total UK baby names")
plt.grid(True)
```

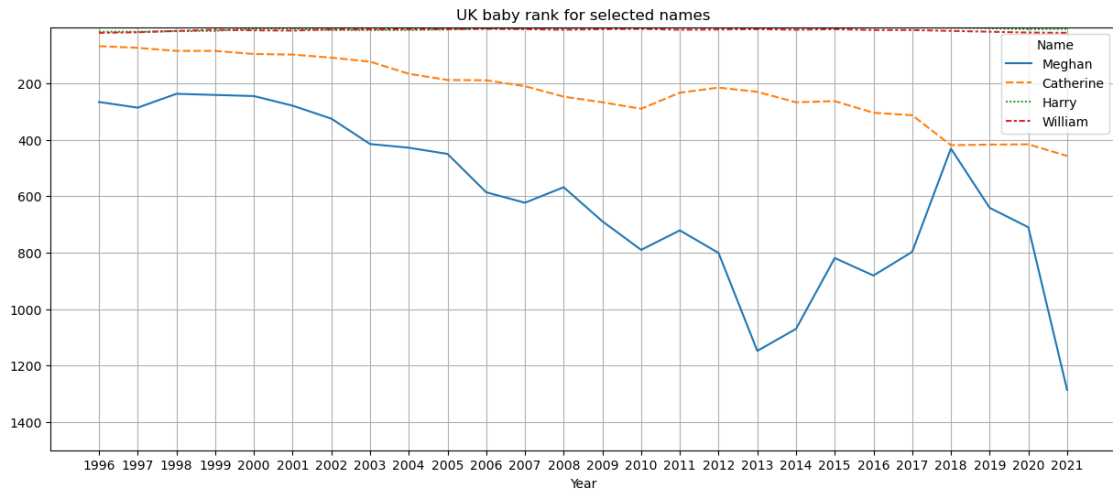


```
[ ]: fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(15, 6))
sns.lineplot(df_family_counts).set(title="UK baby count for selected names")
plt.grid(True)
```

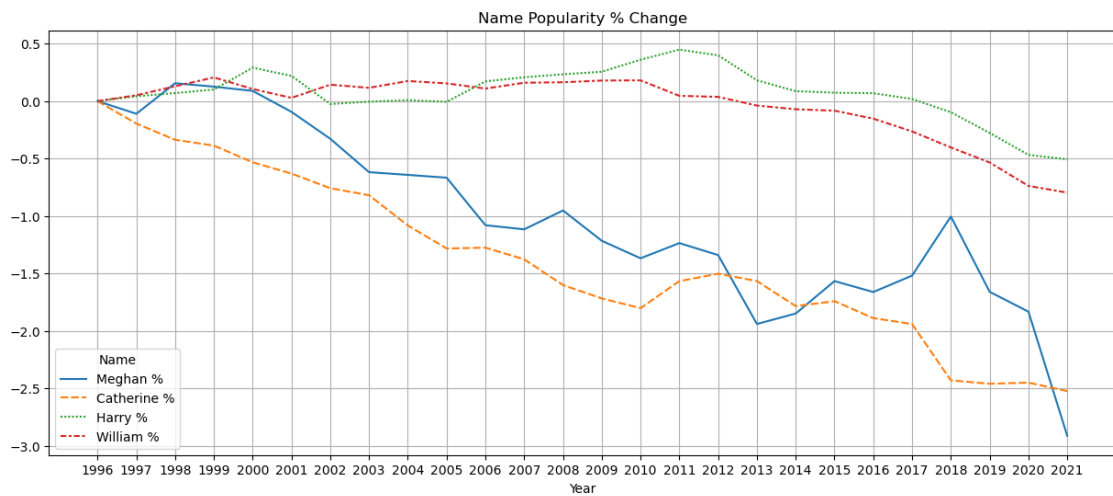


```
[ ]: fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(15,6))
sns.lineplot(df_family_ranks).set(title="UK baby rank for selected names")
plt.ylim(1500,1)
```

```
plt.grid(True)
```



```
[ ]: fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(15,6))
sns.lineplot(df_family_diff).set(title="Name Popularity % Change")
plt.grid(True)
```



0.18 ## Plotly Charts

```
[ ]: px.line(df_totals, title = "Total UK baby names")
```

```
[ ]: px.line(df_family_counts, title="UK baby count for selected names")
```

```
[ ]: fig = px.line(df_family_ranks, title="UK baby rank for selected names")  
fig.update_yaxes(autorange="reversed")
```

```
[ ]: px.line(df_family_diff, title="Name Popularity % Change")
```

0.19 ## Conclusion

Harry and William are popular royal names rarely out of the top 20. Harry is the only name to have reached the top spot, not once but twice. William on the other hand has only reached number 7 and is currently out of the top 20 at position 21.

Catherine and Meghan are not popular names, they have never been in the top 20. Both Catherine and Meghan have been in slow decline since the late 90's. Both names received a boost during their respective royal weddings.

2021 see all royal names at their lowest rankings, with the exception of Harry who still has a top 10 position at number 7.

0.20 ## Limitation of investigation

The obvious limitation is that of alternative name spelling and aliases. Meghan has many different spellings in the ONS dataset (Megan, Meggan, Megann, etc). Catherine is also commonly known as Kate. The code currently doesn't allow for these aliases.

From the start the code was designed to be parameter driven and to avoid any hardcoding, this would allow the codebase to be reused for similar name analysis. Adding parameters to allow for alias checking is a level of complexity that maybe added in the future.