

Traveling with Uber

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Introduction

- Our goal is to optimize ridesharing, based on several variables
 - Company
 - Time of Day
 - Time of Year (month)
 - Zones created by the company (bases)
- To achieve this we will start by comparing prices within companies (Uber & Lyft) to determine which is better overall
- From there we will take a deep dive into the best company and provide a comprehensive understanding of the specifics of their ridesharing



Dataset A

Uber and Lyft trip data from the following source:

<https://www.kaggle.com/ravi72munde/uber-lyft-cab-prices>

- 'distance': The distance between source and destination.
- 'cab_type': Whether the trip was provided by Uber or Lyft.
- 'time_stamp': Epoch time when data was queried (converted).
- 'destination': The destination of the trip.
- 'source': The starting point of the ride.
- 'price': The estimated price for the trip in United States Dollars.
- 'surge_multiplier': The multiplier by which price was increased.
- 'id': The unique identifier number of the trip.
- 'product_id': The identifier number for the provider.
- 'name': Visible type of cab.

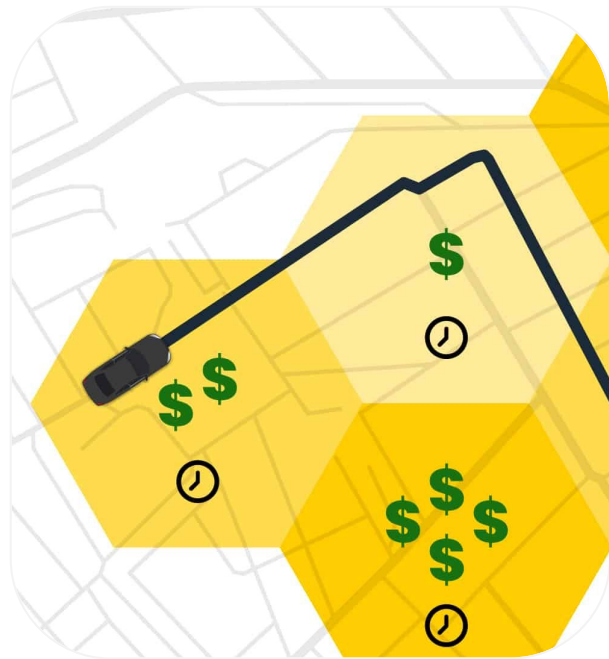


Dataset B

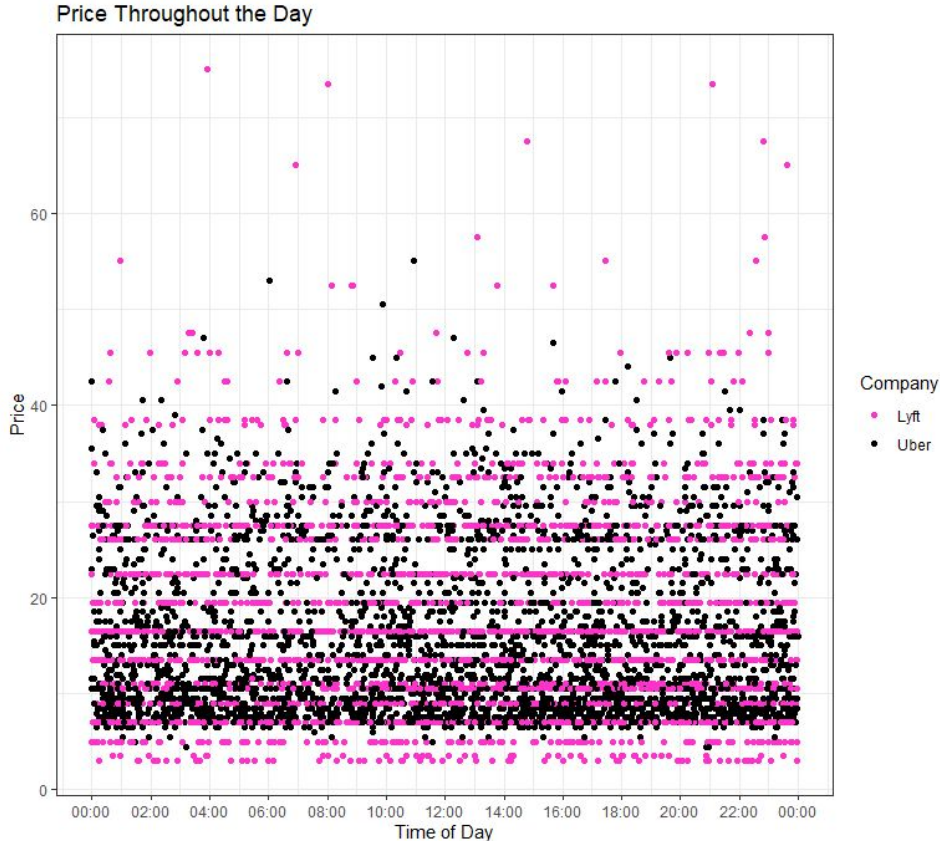
We have collected 2014 Uber location and timestamp data from the following source:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1emopjfEkTt59jJoBH9L9bSdmIDC4AR87/view>

- 'Date/Time': The date and time when the uber trip took place.
- 'Lat': The latitude of the location where the uber trip took place.
- 'Lon': The longitude of the location where the uber trip took place.
- 'Base': Prescribed regions by Uber.



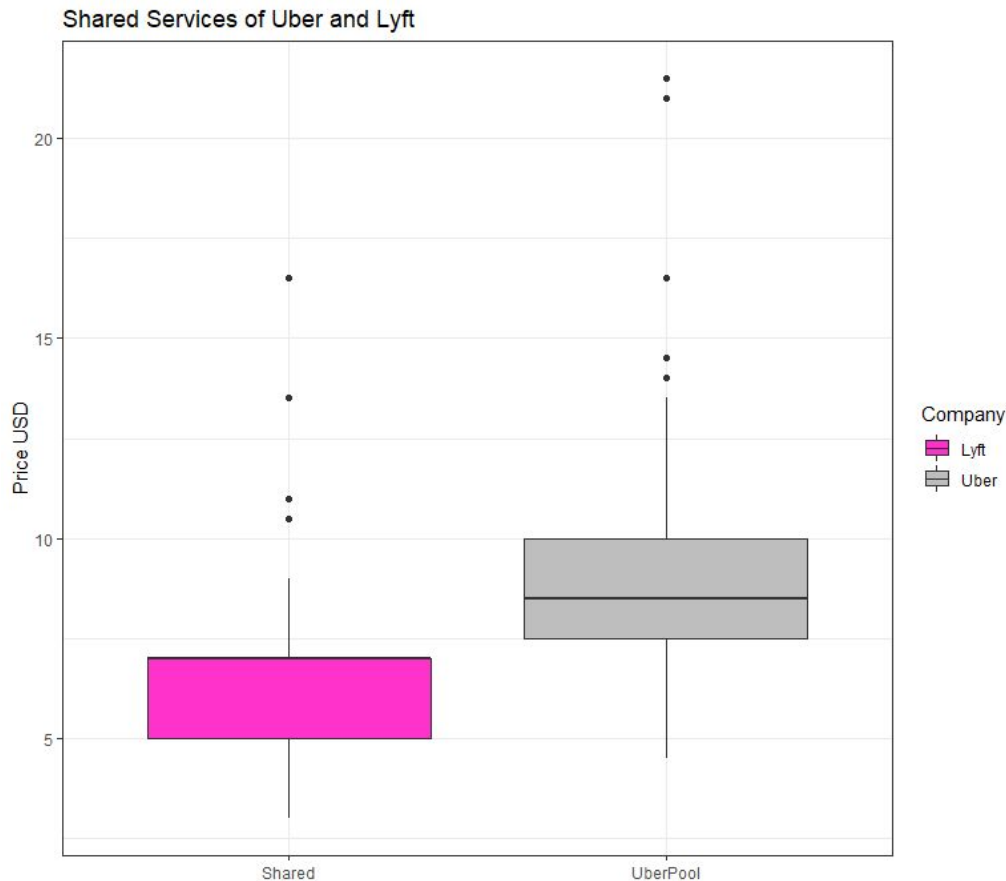
How do and Prices Change During the Day



- Does either company have changing prices during the day?
- Which company shows more price consistency?
- What are the overall price trends?

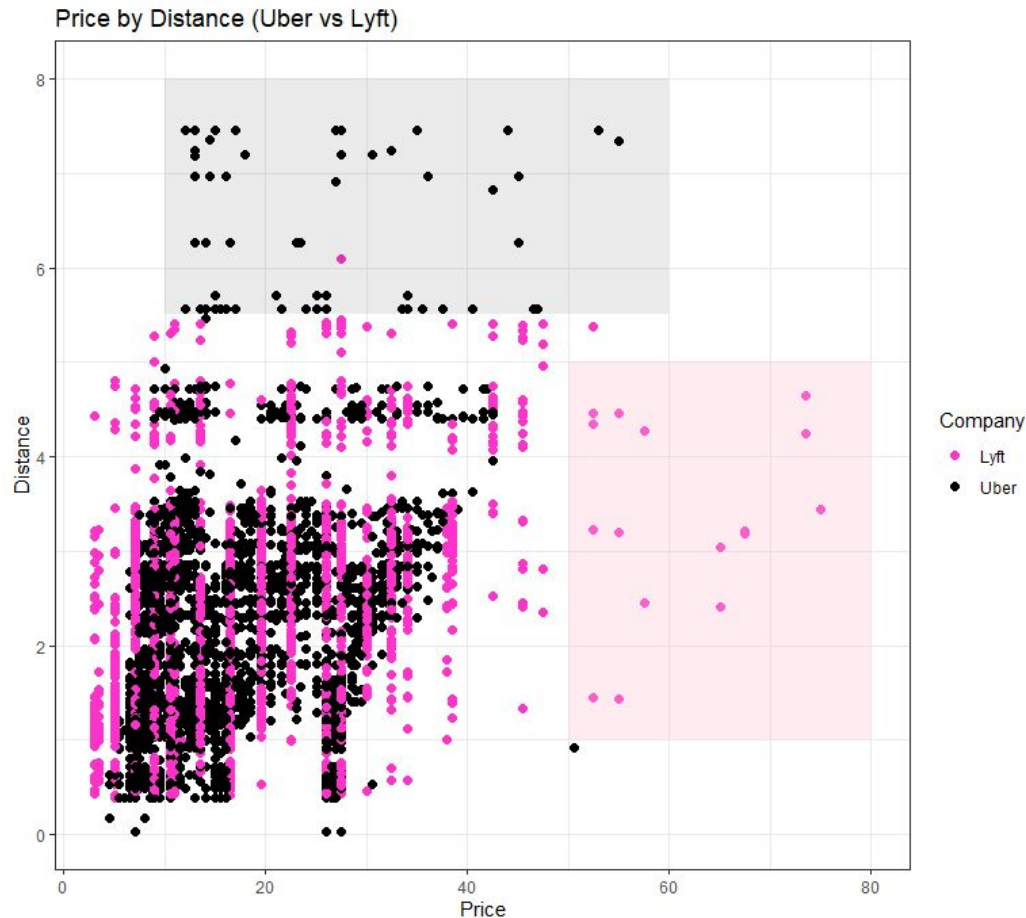


Sharing Rides With Other Users



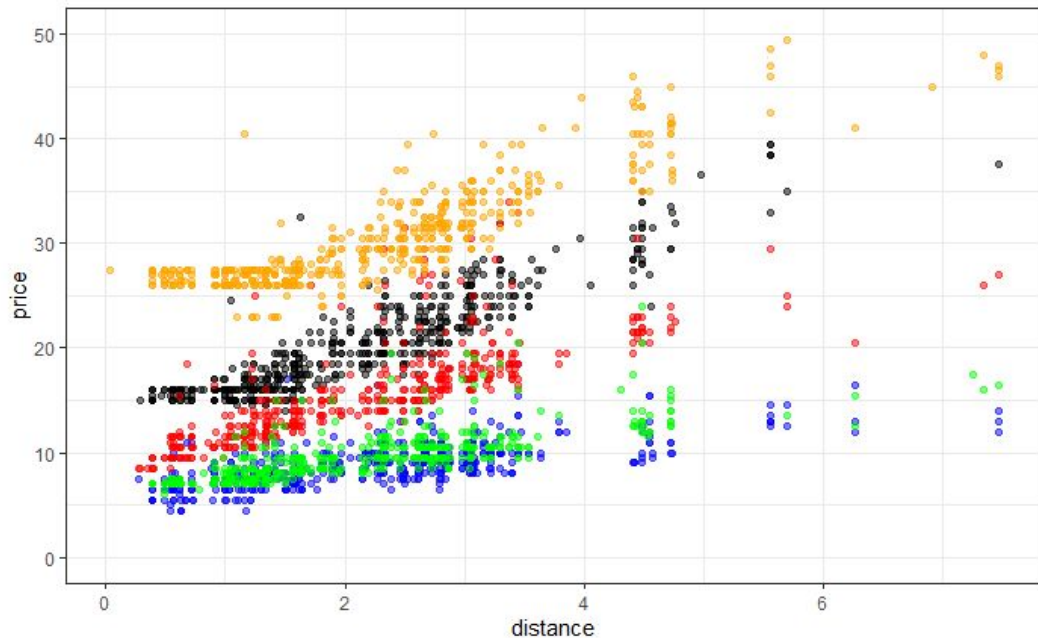
- Advantages in riding with other people
- Which company has better shared ride prices?
- Is this consistent for Lyft across all rides?

Comparing and Prices by Distance








- Do Uber and Lyft charge the same prices?
- Are longer trips priced the same?

Price vs. Distance by Uber Type & Correlation



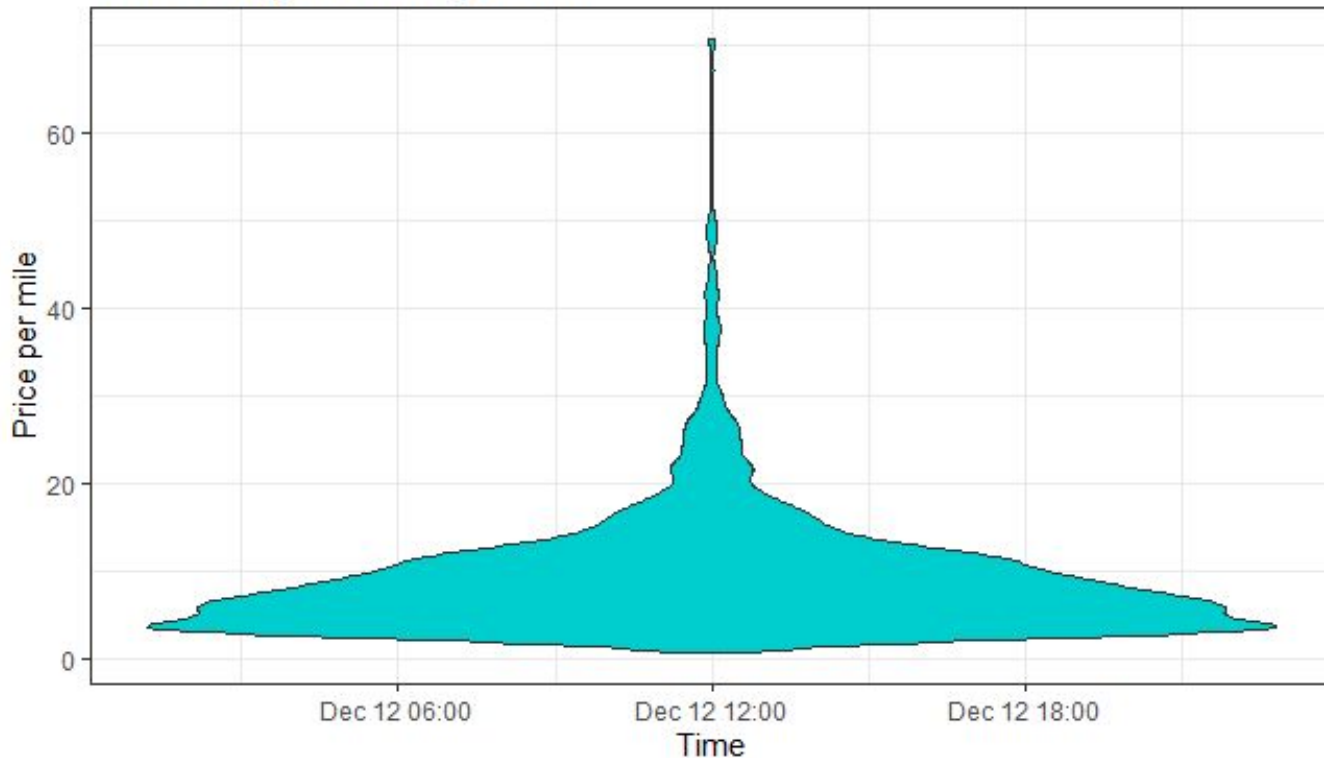
- Which type of Uber is most cost efficient per distance?
- Is price consistent per ride?

<u>Uber Type</u>	<u>R-squared Value</u>
 Uber SUV	0.6777
 Uber Black	0.8402
 Uber XL	0.6039
 Uber WAV	0.5233
 Uber Pool	0.4798



Trips by Hour

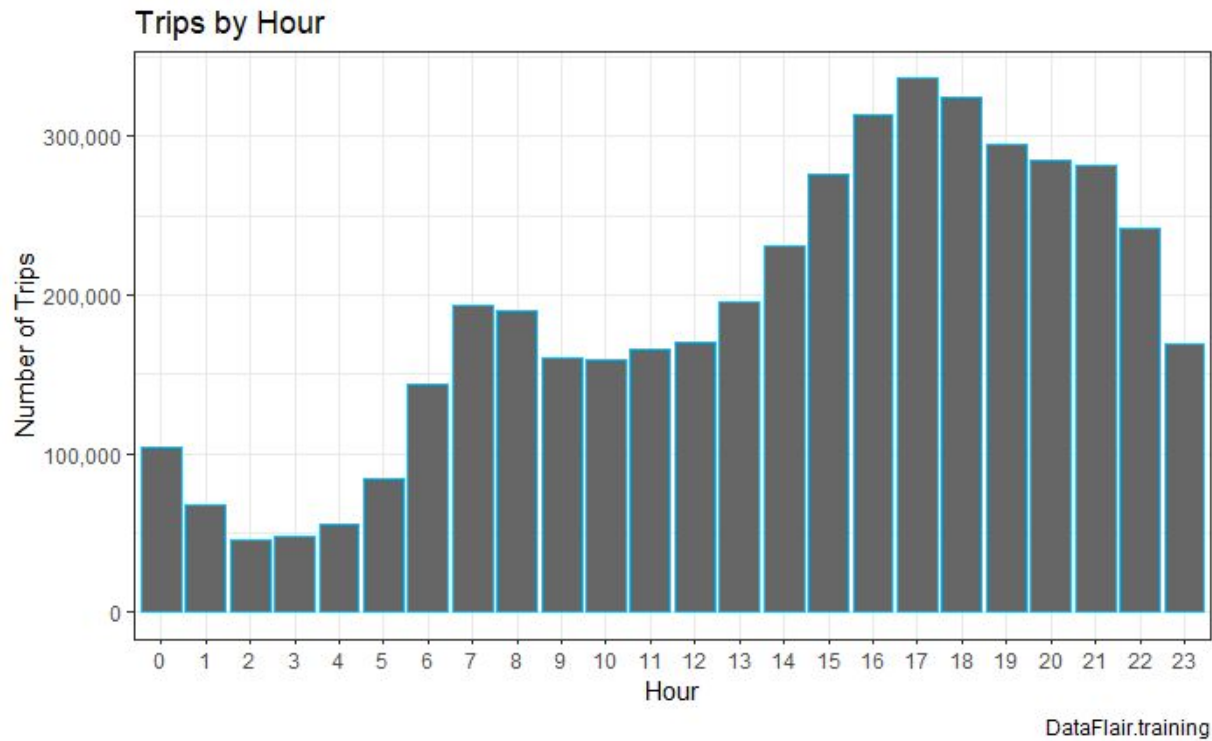
Time of Day vs. Price per Mile



- Highest price/ mile at noon
- Other times of day remain consistent with price



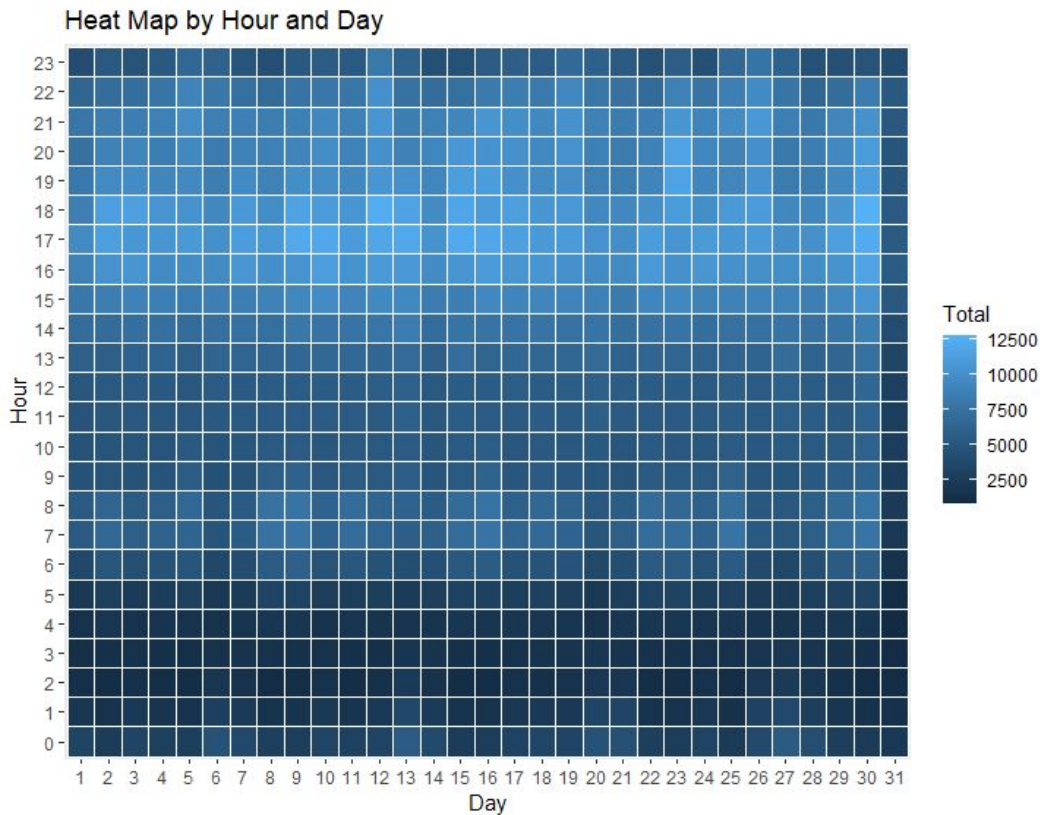
Daily Rides Per Hour



- Trip Activity over Span of 24 Hours
- Peak times are easily distinguished
- Activity can be traced to normal movement of peoples travel throughout the day.



Day by Hour for Total Trips



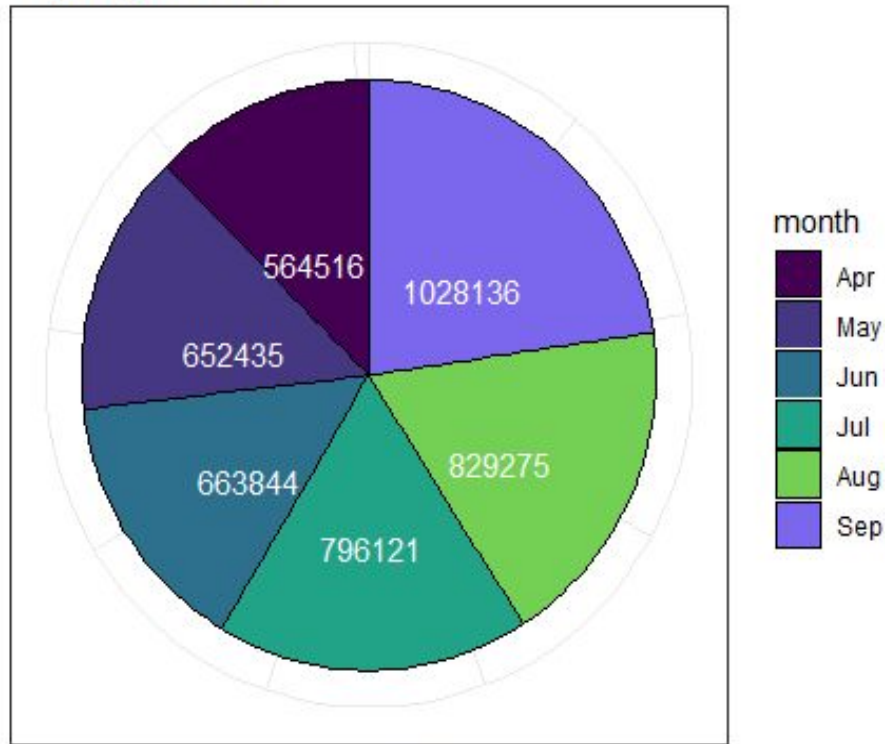
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- Heat Map distinguishes Peak activity hours along with a correlation to days in a month.
- Are there correlations in seven day cycles?



Trips by Month

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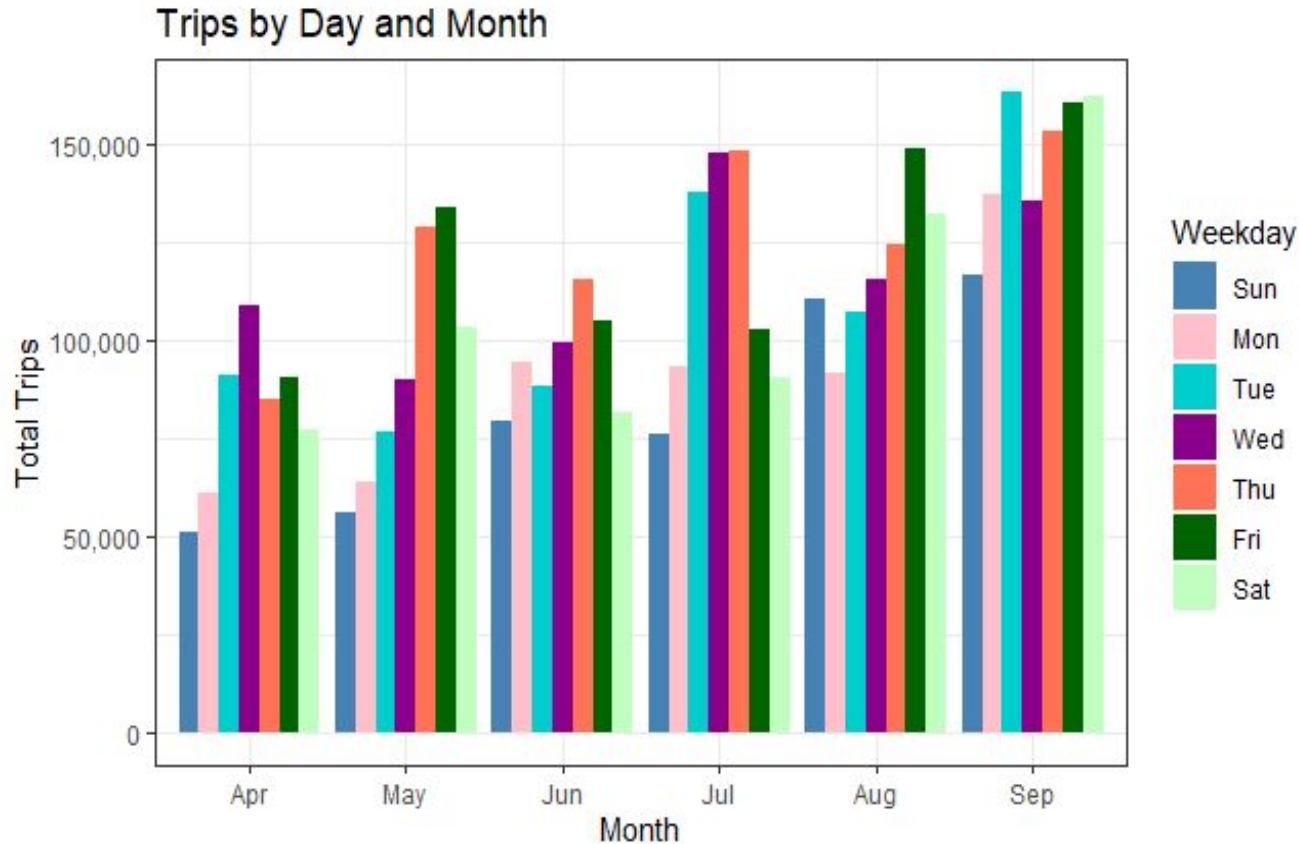
Number of Trips

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- Pie Chart shows 6 Months of the year and the total number of rides that are given each month.
- Does the time of year provide any context to when the number of rides might be higher?



Trips by Day and Month

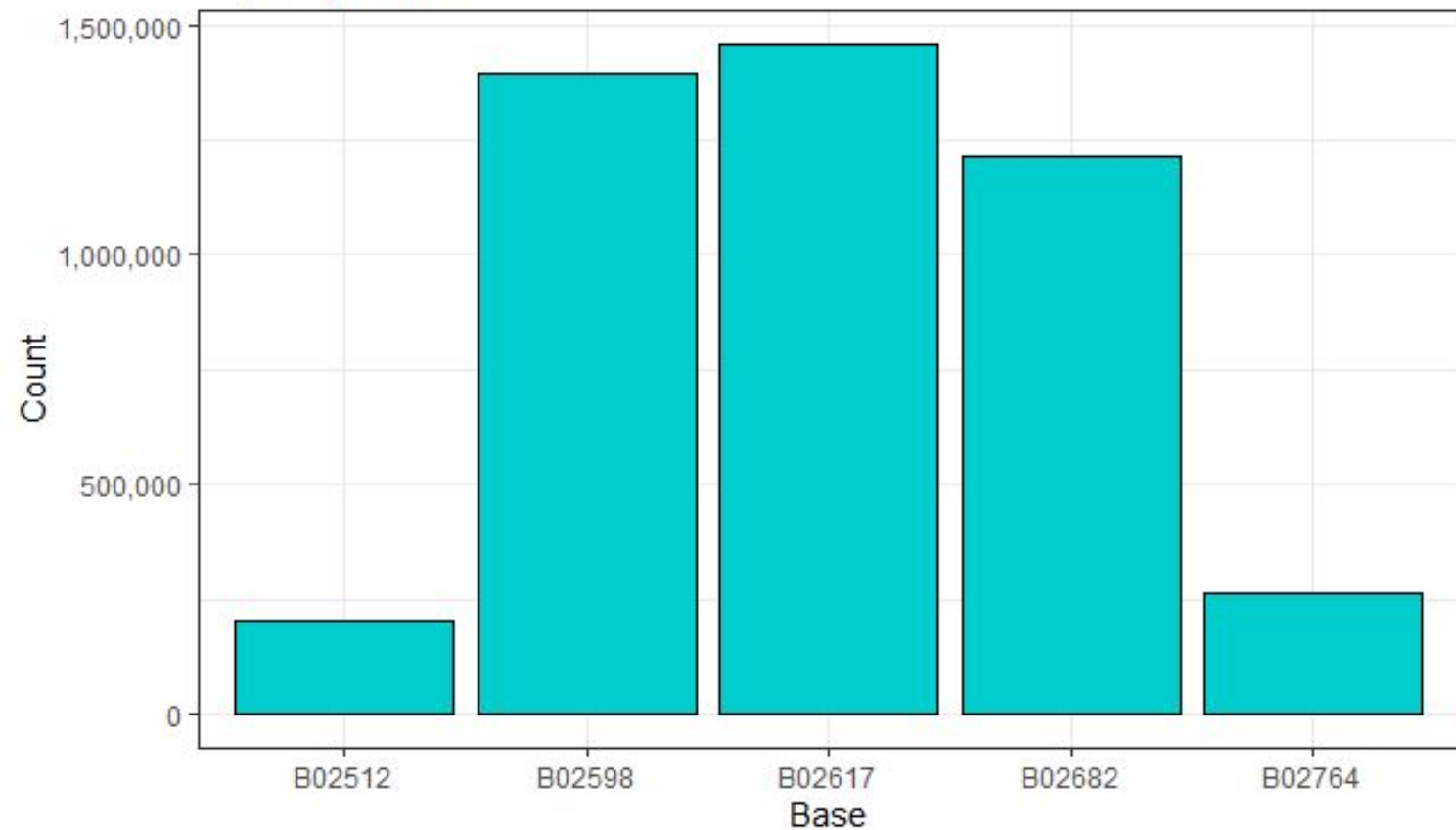


- Total number of Trips based on Month and Day of the week
- Are certain months or weekdays busier For Uber?



Trips by Bases

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- Total number of Trips based on the Base (Uber Zones based on location)
- Base B02617 located in high Populated area of city (Times Square)

Conclusion

- Lyft is more expensive than Uber overall
 - Lyft Shared rides cheaper than Uber pooled rides
 - But Uber has overall better prices for individual riders
- Uber rides are more common around dinner time/ early evening near the weekends, which can make them more expensive during “off-peak” times (noon)
- Uber Pool is the most cost efficient Uber type per distance.
- More Uber rides are ordered in highly populated areas



Thank You!





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