

The relationship between Male and Female Did-Not-Work rates and Poverty Rates

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Summary

Census data allows us to visualize the relationships between many key metrics in the United States. Two of those metrics are did-not-work rates and poverty rates. Census data allows us to capture these metrics with the additional granularity of male & female. We would like to test whether there is a significant relationship between male & female did-not-work disparity (i.e. female did not work rates - male did not work rate) and poverty rates across the US, for the population aged 16-65.

Hypotheses

Null Hypothesis:

There is no statistically significant relationship between did-not-work disparity (female vs. male) and poverty rates within the United States

Alternative Hypothesis:

We reject the null hypothesis, and conclude that there is a statistically significant relationship between did-not-work disparity (female vs. male) and poverty rates within the United States

Key Definitions & Metrics

Male Did Not Work Rate =

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census_pd_combined["Male DNW %"] = 100 * census_pd_combined["Total Male Did Not Work"] /  
census_pd_combined["Total Male Workforce"]
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Female Did Not Work Rate =

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census_pd_combined["Female DNW %"] = 100 * census_pd_combined["Total Female Did Not Work"] /  
census_pd_combined["Total Female Workforce"]
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Did Not Work Disparity =

(Female Did Not Work Rate) - (Male Did Not Work Rate)

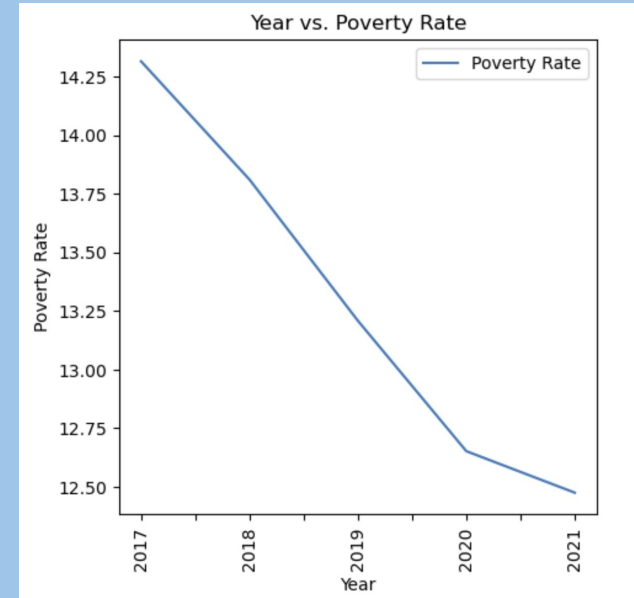
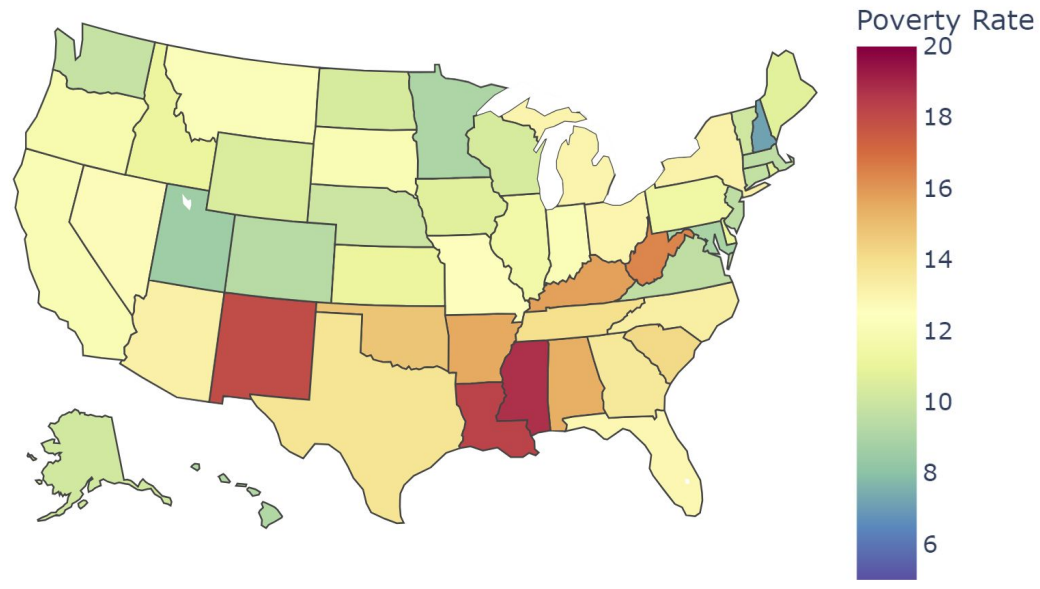
Poverty rate =

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census_pd_combined['Poverty Rate'] = 100 * census_pd_combined["Poverty Count"] /  
census_pd_combined["Population"]
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Summary Statistics (US by Year)

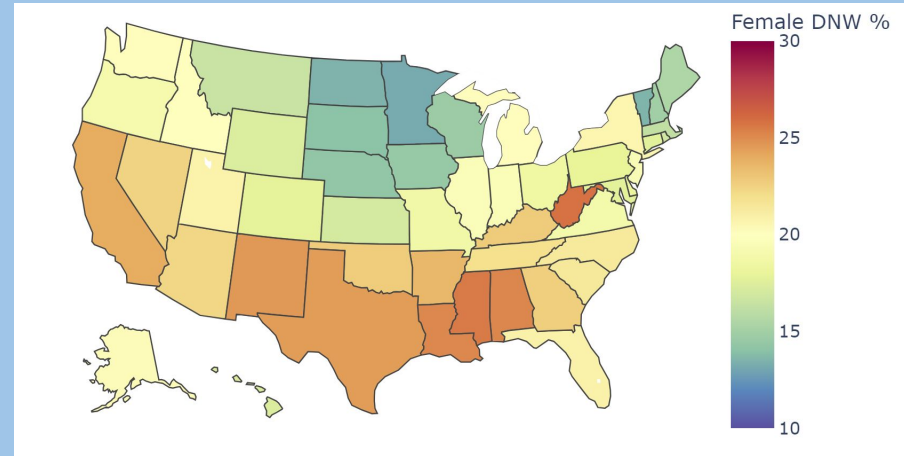
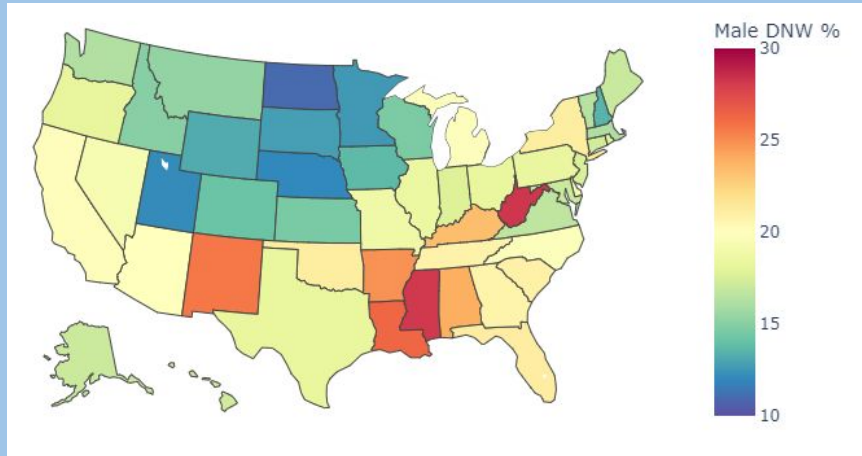
	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Poverty Rate	14.3%	13.8%	13.2%	12.7%	12.5%
Male Did Not Work Rate	20.3%	19.9%	19.5%	19.1%	19.3%
Female Did Not Work Rate	22.6%	22.0%	21.5%	20.8%	20.8%
Did Not Work Disparity	2.3	2.2	2.0	1.7	1.5

Poverty Rates by US State (2021) and by Year



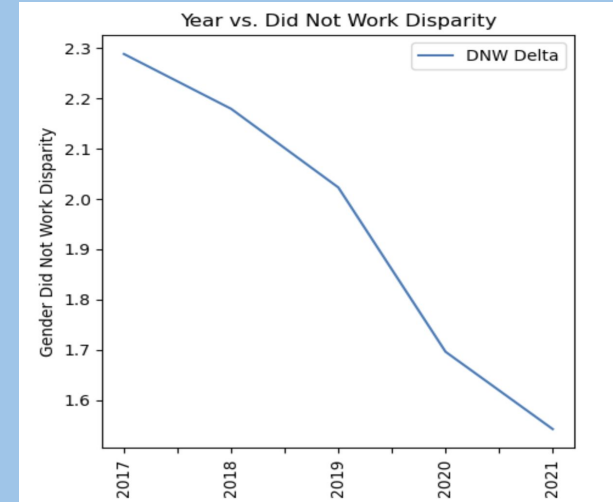
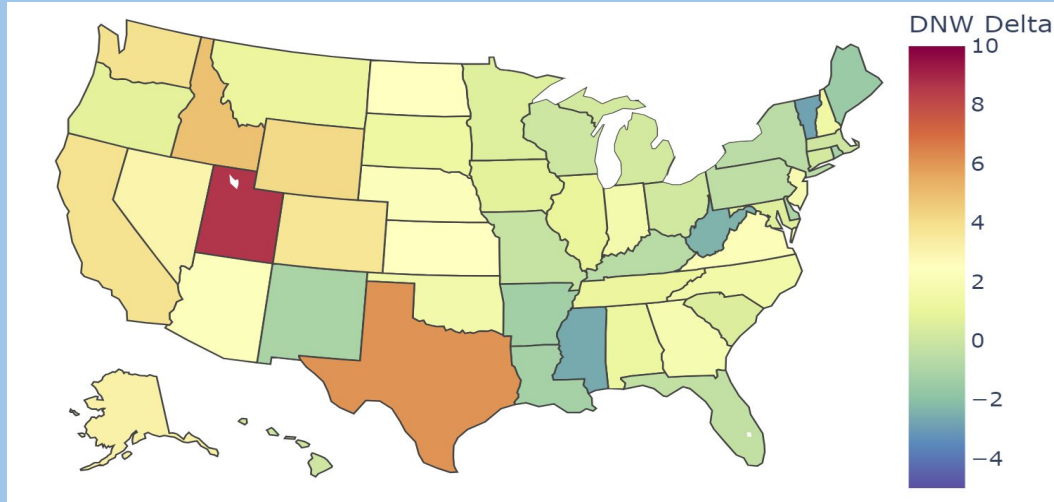
Notes: Louisiana, Mississippi & New Mexico lead the country in poverty rates

Did Not Work Rates male vs female (2021)



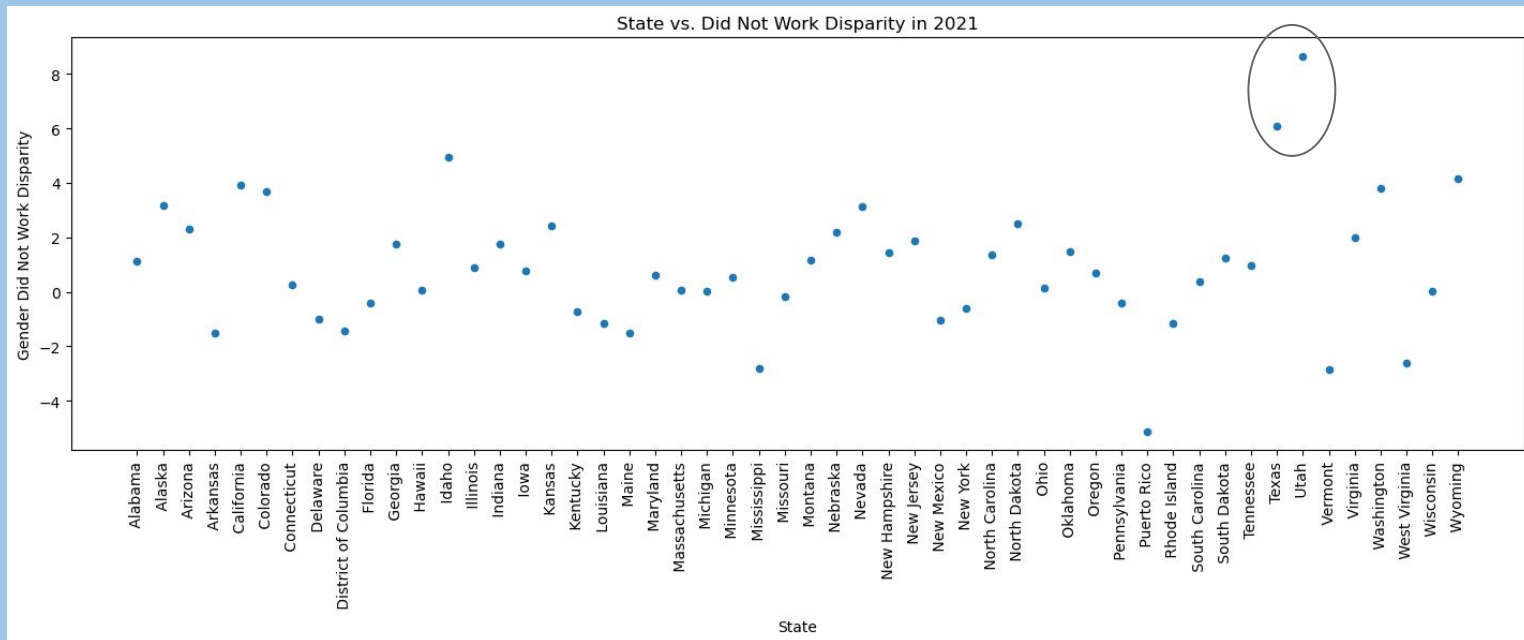
Commentary: Female DNW rates are higher than male DNW, and regional differences are visible.

Did Not Work Disparity (2021)



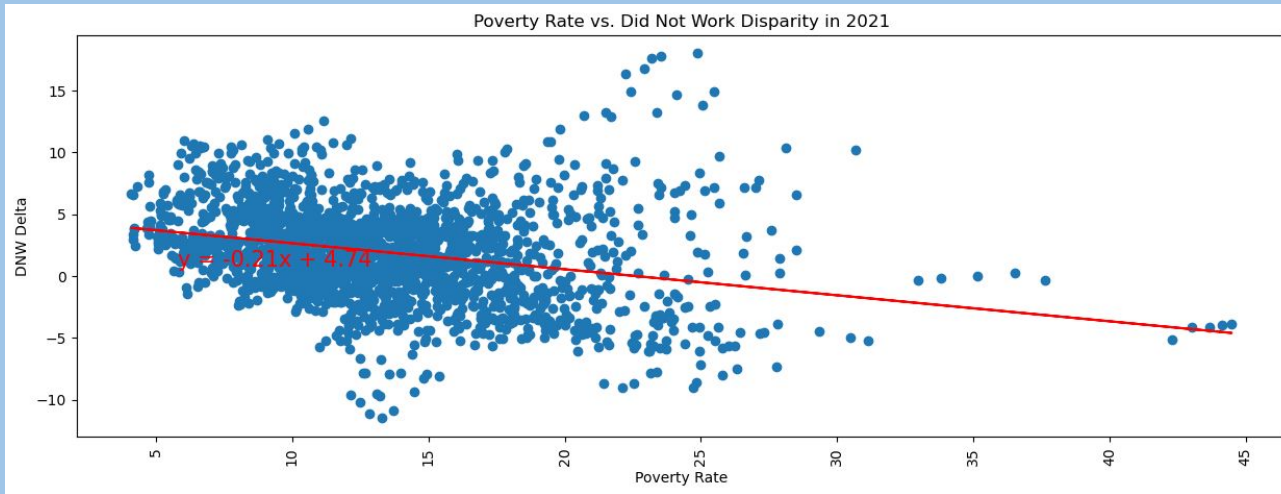
Commentary: DNW disparity is dropping over time, indicating that male vs. female did not work rates are becoming more equal.

Did Not Work Disparity by US State (2021)



Commentary: Texas and Utah have the highest rates of DNW disparity

Linear Regression Analysis



Commentary:

The p value of $1.66e-12$ means we can reject the H_{null} , and conclude that there is a significant relationship between unemployment disparity and poverty rates

Commentary: as poverty rates decrease, DNW disparity increases

Conclusion

Given our p-statistic is below .05, we can reject the null hypothesis and conclude that there is a statistically significant relationship between did-not-work disparity (female vs. male) and poverty rates within the United States

Which Hypothesis?

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