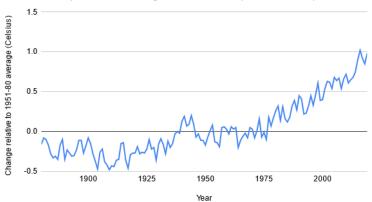
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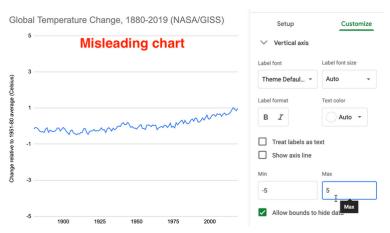


Figure 14.3: Misleading chart with a lengthened vertical axis.



Axis manipulation

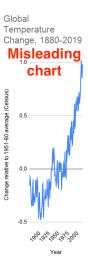
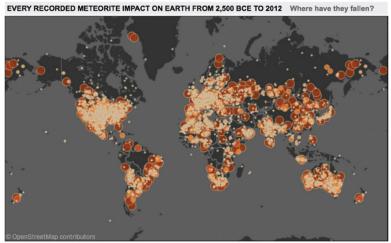


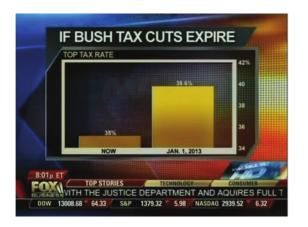
Figure 14.5: Rules of thumb do not always work. Cairo's recommendation to use 1:3 aspect ratio to represent 300% change results in a misleading chart in this particular example.



Data Insufficiency



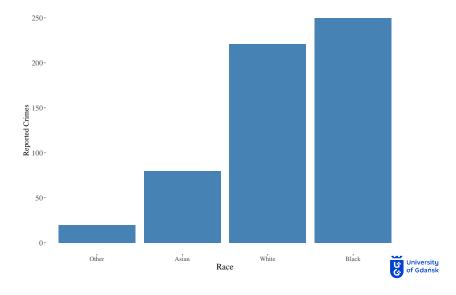
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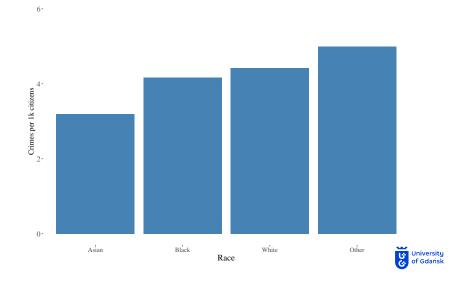
Visual Increase / Actual Increase 460% / 13% 35.38



Ordinal values misunderstanding, Reported Crimes

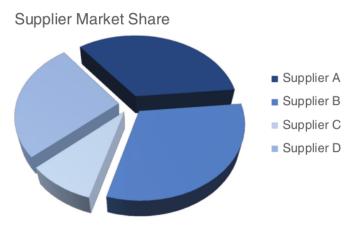


Ordinal values misunderstanding, Crimes per 1k citizens



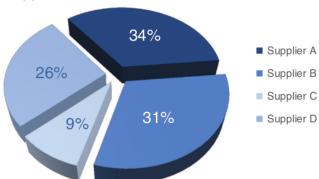
Bad visuals

• Which slice is the largest?



Bad visuals







Suplementary materials

Cool YouTube videos to watch:

- How to spot a misleading graph Lea Gaslowitz
- Data Visualization and Misrepresentation

