



# Correlation of unemployment and crime data for MERCOSUR nations (2000-2020)

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# Introduction & Motivation

1. **Objective:** Explore unemployment-crime correlations in MERCOSUR countries (Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay, Uruguay, Colombia, Guyana) for informed policy-making.
  2. **Global Focus:** Study MERCOSUR for diverse economic, cultural, and governance insights beyond regions.
  3. **Statistical Analysis:** Use data analysis to find patterns, guiding evidence-based policymaking for targeted interventions.
  4. **Temporal Perspective:** Spanning 2000-2020, observe historical trends amidst ever-changing socio-economic conditions.
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# Datasets



## Unemployment Dataset

Source: International Labour Organisation

[Link to Unemployment data](#)

## Crime Dataset

Source: UN Office on Drugs and Crime's International Homicide Statistics database

[Link to crime data](#)





# Questions

01.

**Correlation Inquiry:** What is the statistical correlation between unemployment rates and crime rates in the selected global entities over the past two decades?

02.

**Comparative Analysis:** How do patterns and trends in the relationship between unemployment and crime differ among MERCOSUR countries, considering their diverse economic structures and cultural contexts?

03.

**Policy Implications:** What evidence-based policy recommendations can be drawn from the analysis to address the interconnected dynamics of unemployment and crime, taking into account the evolving socio-economic conditions influenced by technological advancement and globalization?



# Methodology used in the analysis

- **About Dataset :**

- Unemployment Data:

Having country names with unemployment rate from 1960 to 2021

Data type : zipped CSV

- Crime Data:

Having country names with crime rates from 1960 to 2022

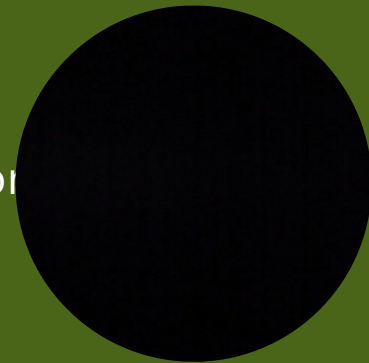
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## 2. Making ETL Pipeline :

- **install dependencies**

- **extraction.py** : Responsible for extracting data from the original sources.

- **transform.py** : Responsible for removing null and empty values and transform into a consistent format.



# Methodology used in the analysis

- `load.py`: This code takes charge of storing the processed data in a CSV file.
- `pipeline.py`: This module brings together the extract, transform, and load components into a cohesive automated pipeline

## 3. Data visualisation & Analysis:

- Import libraries
- Visualise graphs made and analyse results

## 4. Problems encountered :

- Multiple null values and empty rows in crime dataset.
- Shape of both datasets were different
- Transformed into 1 shape
- Same countries needed to be taken into account by performing set intersection



# Exploration of datasets

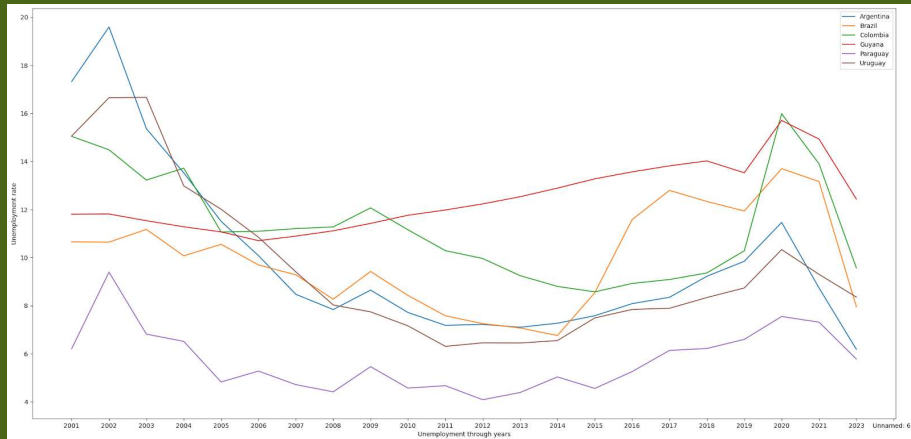


Fig. 1. a) Line plot of unemployment of different countries over years

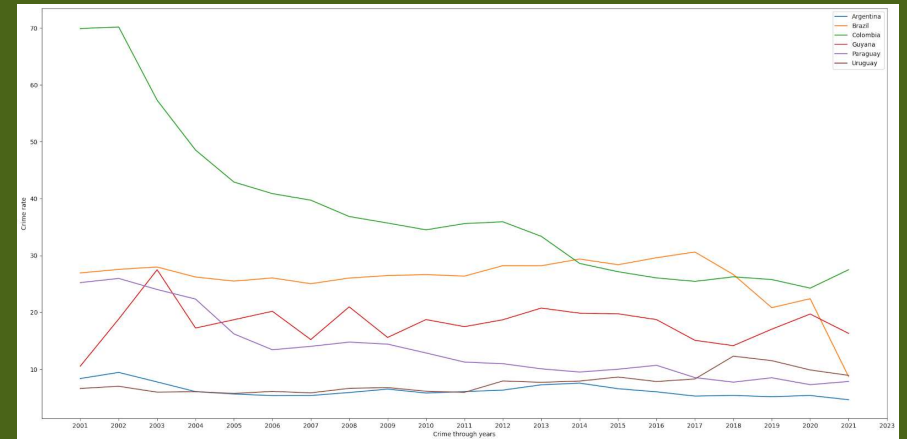
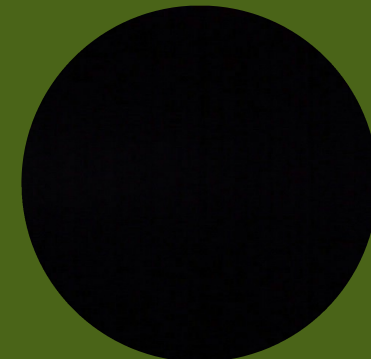


Fig. 1. b) Line plot of crime of different countries over years



- Paraguay shows the lowest and most stable unemployment and crime rates, reflecting economic steadiness.
- Argentina and Colombia improve significantly, while Guyana and Brazil experience volatility.
- Uruguay shows resilience, and global crises impact unemployment across most nations.



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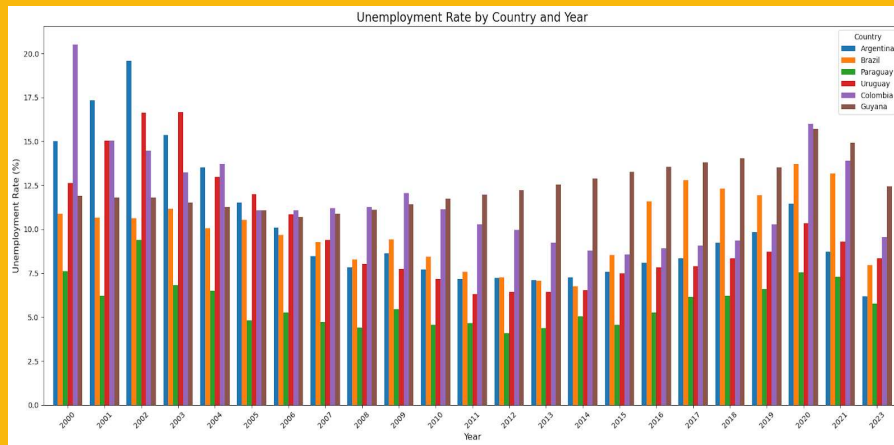


Fig. 2. a) Bar plot of unemployment rate of different countries

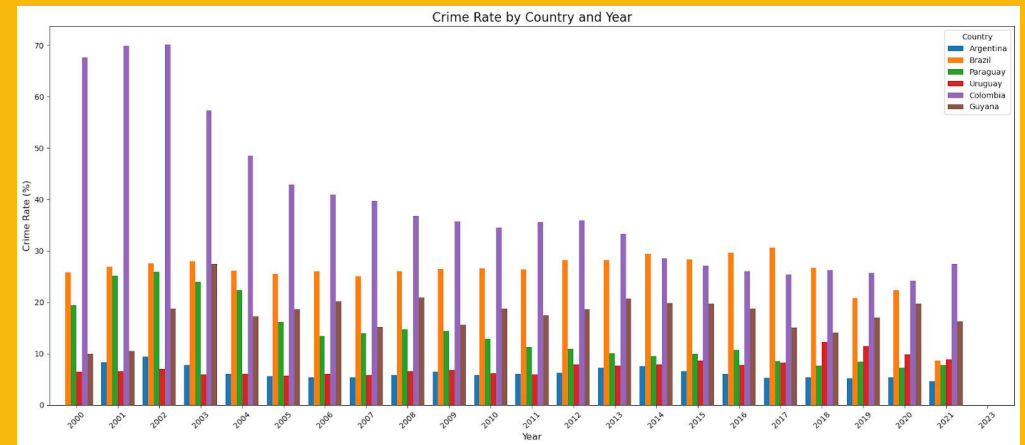


Fig.2. b) Bar plot of the crime rate of different countries

- Paraguay:** Lowest and most stable unemployment and crime rates, reflecting steady economic conditions.
- Argentina & Colombia:** Significant unemployment improvements; Colombia also shows marked crime reduction.
- Guyana & Brazil:** Volatile unemployment rates and inconsistent crime trends.
- Uruguay:** Moderate unemployment and crime rates with gradual improvements.
- Global Events:** Economic crises like 2008 and 2020 significantly impacted unemployment across countries.





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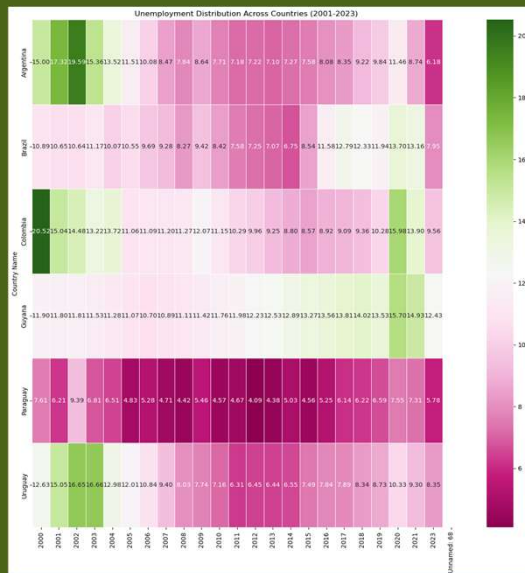


Fig. 3. a) Heatmap for Unemployment data for different countries

## Unemployment

- Improvement:** Argentina sees the most dramatic decline.
- Stability:** Paraguay maintains consistently low rates.
- Fluctuations:** Brazil, Guyana, and Uruguay show moderate variability but improve post-2020.
- Challenges:** Colombia's rates improve but remain relatively high

## Crime

- Colombia:** Significant reduction from initially high rates.
- Argentina & Uruguay:** Low and stable crime levels.
- Brazil:** Moderate rates with some fluctuations.
- Paraguay & Guyana:** Relatively low and steady crime trends.

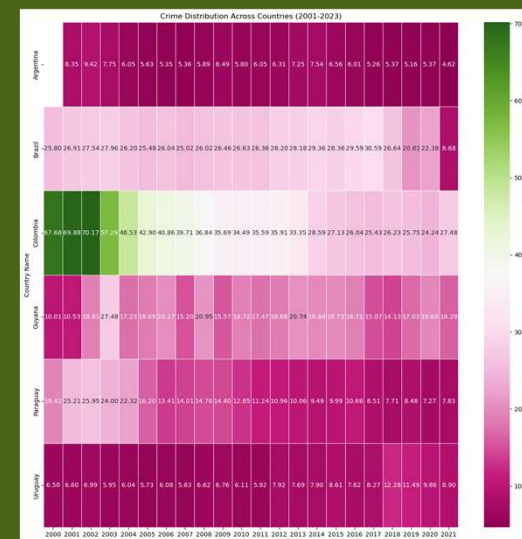


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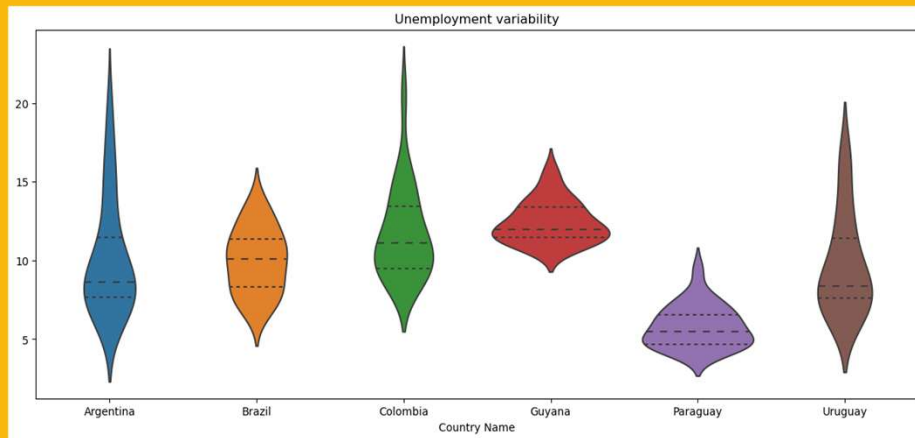


Fig. 4. a) Unemployment Variability

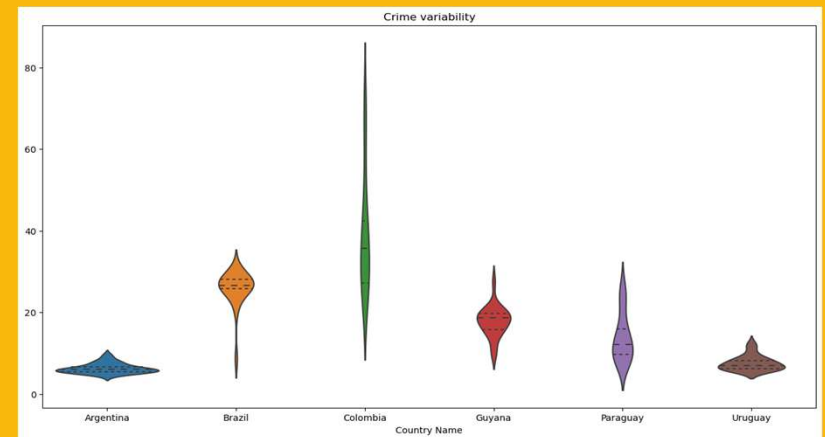


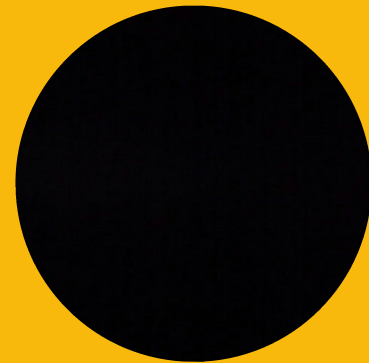
Fig. 4. b) Crime rate variability

- Unemployment:**

- High Variability:** Argentina shows significant fluctuations.
- Stable:** Paraguay and Guyana maintain consistent rates.
- Moderate Variability:** Brazil, Colombia, and Uruguay display balanced fluctuations.

- Crime:**

- High Variability:** Colombia shows notable disparities.
- Stable:** Argentina, Uruguay, and Guyana have steady patterns.
- Moderate Trends:** Brazil and Paraguay show mild fluctuations

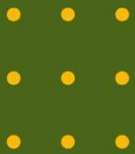


# Results

## Correlation analysis for all countries over the years

1. **Positive Correlation:** Argentina and Colombia demonstrate a clear link between declining unemployment and reduced crime rates, with the strongest alignment post-2010.

2. **Variable Trends:** Brazil and Uruguay show moderate stabilization of crime with lower unemployment, while Guyana and Paraguay exhibit weak or inconsistent correlations, especially during economic disruptions like 2020.



## 2.Unemployment and Crime Relationship for countries in specific year

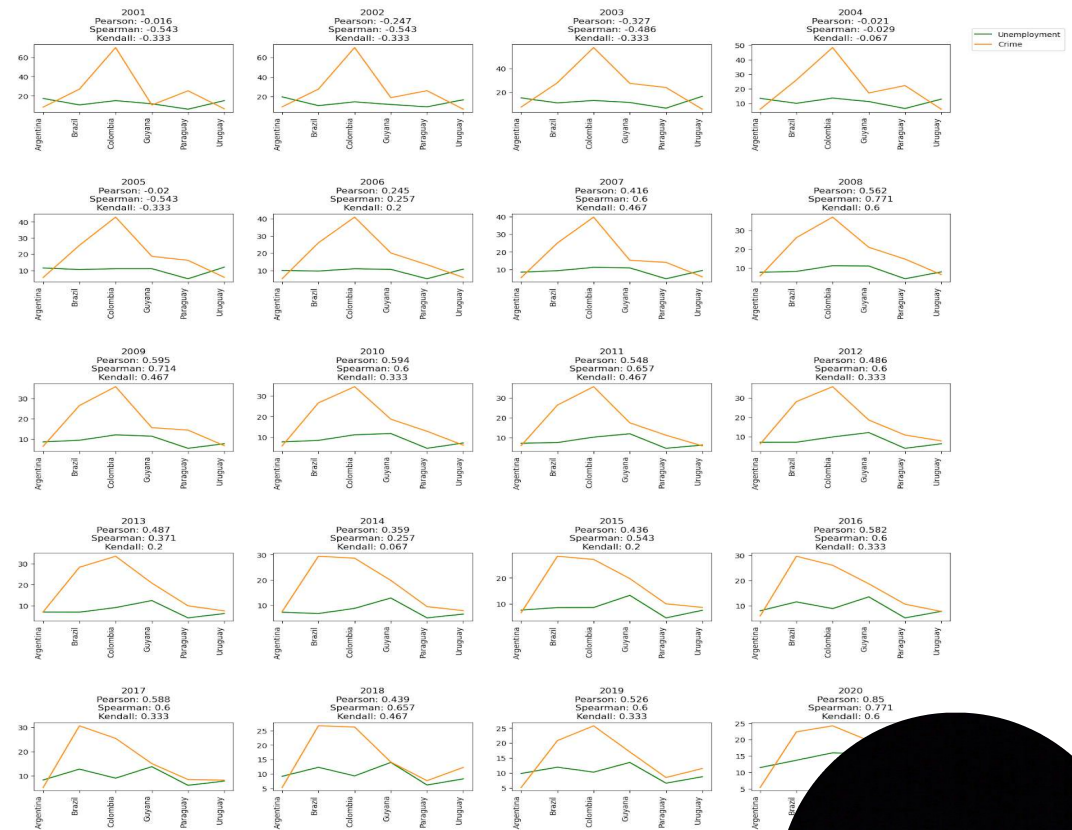


Fig5: Correlation analysis for countries combined



# Conclusion

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- Colombia: Strong link between unemployment and crime.
  - Brazil & Uruguay: Moderate decline in crime with lower unemployment.
  - Guyana & Paraguay: Weak correlation between unemployment and crime.
  - Argentina: Mixed trends influenced by other factors.
  - High unemployment doesn't always mean high crime; both depend on factors like socio-economics, politics, and education.
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# Limitations

- 1. Causation Complexity:** Correlation  $\neq$  causation; unseen variables complicate the relationship between unemployment and crime.
- 2. Data Reliability Concerns:** Findings rely on accurate data; unaccounted seasonal unemployment, unregistered female unemployment, and passive job seekers pose challenges.
- 3. Crime Data Validity:** Homicide data varies; differing assessments and validation processes result in nuanced interpretations.
- 4. Granularity and Regional Oversights:** Lack of specificity in crime types and variations within countries may limit insights.



# Future Work



- 1. Multifactorial Analysis:** Examine social policies, education, and economic conditions collectively impacting crime for a nuanced view.
  - 2. Policy Evaluation:** Assess diverse policies' influence on unemployment-crime dynamics for effective strategy development.
  - 3. Machine Learning Insights:** Use regression trees or neural networks for complex pattern revelation beyond traditional statistics.
  - 4. Global Comparative Studies:** Expand analysis beyond MERCOSUR for a cross-cultural perspective on unemployment and crime.
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