Assignment 2

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[NOTE]

An important part of developing your R programming skills is learning to write clear, well-formatted code that is easy for another person to follow. For homework assignments, think of the person grading the code as the audience to whom you are trying to communicate. The easier it is to follow your code, the more likely it will be that you receive partial credit for answers that have minor errors.

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This assignment involves a variety of different datasets that we have seen in previous classes. For simplicity (and to ensure consistency across computer operating systems), I have saved all of the relevant data in an .RData file, which is loaded as follows:

```
load("Assignment2data.RData")
ls()
```

```
## [1] "City_poll" "City_poll_codebook" "Soccer_fouls"
## [4] "STAR_g3"
```

STAR (13 pt)

You will analyze part of the data from the Tennessee Student Teacher Achievement Ratio study (STAR_g3 dataset). Project STAR was a large, block-randomized experiment that evaluated the effect of class size (the number of students per classroom) during the elementary grades on students' academic performance.

1. Use filter to find the data for all of the black female students born in July of 1979:

```
stdntid gender race birthmonth birthday birthyear cmpstype glschid
##
## 1
       10412 FEMALE BLACK
                                  JULY
                                             28
                                                      1979
                                                                AIDE
                                                                      244708
## 2
       10422 FEMALE BLACK
                                  JULY
                                             28
                                                      1979
                                                               SMALL
                                                                     244708
                                              7
## 3
       10435 FEMALE BLACK
                                  JULY
                                                      1979
                                                                AIDE
                                                                     205492
## 4
       11278 FEMALE BLACK
                                  JULY
                                             10
                                                      1979
                                                                AIDE 244776
                                             29
## 5
       11293 FEMALE BLACK
                                  JULY
                                                      1979
                                                                < NA >
                                                                      244806
       11297 FEMALE BLACK
                                  JULY
                                             28
## 6
                                                      1979
                                                            REGULAR 244736
       glsurban g3treadss g3tmathss g3tlangss g3tlistss
##
## 1 INNER CITY
                        NA
                                   NA
                                             NA
                                                        NA
## 2 INNER CITY
                        NA
                                   NA
                                             NA
                                                        NA
## 3
       SUBURBAN
                        NA
                                   NA
                                             NA
                                                        NA
## 4 INNER CITY
                        NA
                                   NA
                                             NA
                                                        NA
## 5 INNER CITY
                       593
                                  601
                                            620
                                                       601
## 6 INNER CITY
                        NA
                                             NA
                                                        NA
                                   NA
```

2. Use select to create a dataset containing the school and student id variables for all students, plus the three variables containing information about students' birthdates. Print out the first 10 rows in this dataset.

```
# R code here
#2.
Birthstud<- STAR_g3%>%
  select(cmpstype, stdntid, starts_with("birth"))

#First 10 rows
head(Birthstud,10)
```

```
##
      cmpstype stdntid birthmonth birthday birthyear
## 1
       REGULAR
                  10003
                                MAY
                                           28
                                                    1980
          AIDE
                  10015
## 2
                             AUGUST
                                           25
                                                    1980
## 3
         SMALL
                  10022
                            OCTOBER
                                           27
                                                    1980
## 4
         SMALL
                  10026
                            JANUARY
                                           15
                                                    1979
                                           19
## 5
       REGULAR
                  10032
                           FEBRUARY
                                                    1979
## 6
          <NA>
                  10033
                              MARCH
                                            6
                                                    1980
## 7
                  10039
                                           12
                                                    1979
       REGULAR
                           NOVEMBER
## 8
       REGULAR
                  10041
                           NOVEMBER
                                           22
                                                    1979
## 9
       REGULAR
                  10042
                               JULY
                                           10
                                                    1979
## 10
         SMALL
                  10043
                               JULY
                                           25
                                                    1979
```

3. Use mutate and paste() to create variable containing each student's birth date in the form of a character string (e.g., "JANUARY 12, 1981"). Print out the first 10 rows in this dataset.

```
# R code here
#Add Birthday date to Birthstud dataset
Birthstud<- Birthstud %>%
   mutate(birthdate= paste(birthmonth," ", birthday,", ", birthyear))
#first 10 rows
head(Birthstud, 10)
```

```
##
      cmpstype stdntid birthmonth birthday birthyear
                                                                     birthdate
## 1
       REGULAR
                  10003
                                          28
                                                   1980
                                                             MAY
                                                                    28 ,
                                                                           1980
                                MAY
## 2
          AIDE
                  10015
                                          25
                                                   1980
                                                                    25 ,
                            AUGUST
                                                          AUGUST
                                                                           1980
## 3
         SMALL
                  10022
                           OCTOBER
                                           27
                                                   1980 OCTOBER
                                                                    27 ,
                                                                           1980
## 4
         SMALL
                  10026
                           JANUARY
                                          15
                                                   1979
                                                         JANUARY
                                                                    15 ,
                                                                           1979
## 5
       REGULAR
                  10032
                          FEBRUARY
                                          19
                                                   1979 FEBRUARY
                                                                    19 ,
                                                                           1979
## 6
          < NA >
                  10033
                             MARCH
                                           6
                                                   1980
                                                            MARCH
                                                                    6,
                                                                           1980
                                          12
## 7
       REGULAR
                  10039
                          NOVEMBER
                                                   1979 NOVEMBER
                                                                    12 ,
                                                                           1979
                  10041
                          NOVEMBER
                                          22
                                                   1979 NOVEMBER
                                                                    22 ,
## 8
       REGULAR
                                                                           1979
## 9
       REGULAR
                  10042
                               JULY
                                          10
                                                   1979
                                                             JULY
                                                                    10 ,
                                                                           1979
## 10
         SMALL
                  10043
                              JULY
                                          25
                                                   1979
                                                             JULY
                                                                    25 ,
                                                                           1979
```

4. Use summarise to calculate the average reading scores (g3treadss) for males and females. (HINT: use [].)

```
# R code here
#calculate the average reading scores by gender
#calculate the average reading scores by gender
STAR_g3[, c("g3treadss", "gender")]%>%
    drop_na(gender)%>%
    group_by(gender)%>%
    summarise(avg_g3treadss= mean(g3treadss, na.rm = T))
```

5. Use n_distinct() inside of summarize to calculate the number of unique schools in the study.

```
# R code here
#number of unique schools
STAR_g3 %>%
  summarise(number_of_unique_schools = n_distinct(g1schid))
```

```
## number_of_unique_schools
## 1 64
```

6. Use arrange to sort the dataset of black females born in July of 1979 from highest to lowest math score.

```
# R code here
#arrange student in a descending order using math score
Fstud<- Fstud%>%
  arrange(desc(g3tmathss))
head(Fstud$g3tmathss,10)
```

```
## [1] 626 616 604 601 570 568 558 558 554 554
```

7. Building from your answer to Q4, use filter and summarize to calculate the average reading scores (g3treadss) for males and females from urban schools.

```
# R code here
#average reading scores (`g3treadss`) for males and females from urban schools
STAR_g3[, c("g3treadss", "gender","g1surban")]%>%
    drop_na(gender)%>%
    filter(g1surban=="URBAN")%>%
    group_by(gender)%>%
    summarise(avg_g3treadss= mean(g3treadss, na.rm = T))
```

8. Use group_by to calculate the average test scores (including reading, math, language, and listening) for males and females from urban schools. The result should be a dataframe with a row for males and a row for females and separate columns containing average test scores for each of the four domains.

```
## gender avg_g3tmathss avg_g3tlangss avg_g3treadss
## 1 FEMALE 618.2377 637.8607 621.0410
## 2 MALE 616.9907 627.0841 613.1121
```

9. The n() function calculates the number of observations in a dataset. It is useful inside of summarize, particularly when combined with group_by, for calculating the number of observations within levels of a grouping variable. Use these functions to calculate the number of students in the study born in each year from 1977 to 1981.

```
# R code here
#number of students in the study born in each year from 1977 to 1981

students_by_birth_year <- STAR_g3%>%
  filter(birthyear >= 1977 & birthyear <= 1981) %>% # Filtering data for the specifi
ed years
  group_by(birthyear) %>%
  summarise(number_of_students = n())
students_by_birth_year
```

```
## # A tibble: 5 × 2
     birthyear number_of_students
##
         <int>
                              <int>
##
## 1
          1977
                                 10
## 2
          1978
                                203
## 3
          1979
                               1857
## 4
          1980
                               3684
## 5
          1981
                                 10
```

10. Create a dataset that reports the number of schools and the number of students by urbanicity. Use glsurban to define urbanicity, but combine INNER CITY and URBAN schools into a single category.

```
## # A tibble: 3 × 3
     glsurban number_of_schools number_of_students
##
                           <int>
                                                <int>
##
     <chr>
## 1 RURAL
                              34
                                                 2957
## 2 SUBURBAN
                              15
                                                 1403
## 3 URBAN
                                                 1428
                              15
```

11. Create a dataset that reports the proportion of white students, proportion of black students, and proportion of students from any other races within each school. Use the result to identify the ten schools with the largest percentage of black students. (Print out the result.) Also, answer: Are these schools in urban, suburban, or rural areas?

```
## `summarise()` has grouped output by 'glschid'. You can override using the
## `.groups` argument.
```

```
school_proportions%>%
arrange(desc(BLACK))%>%
select(g1schid,BLACK)%>%
head(10)
```

```
## # A tibble: 10 × 2
## # Groups: glschid [10]
     glschid BLACK
##
##
       <int> <dbl>
##
   1 205490 1
##
   2 244736 1
   3 244746 1
##
   4 244780 1
##
   5 244806 1
##
   6 244774 0.992
##
   7 244727 0.990
##
## 8 244708 0.984
## 9 244723 0.984
## 10 244776 0.976
```

12. Let X_{ij} denote a score for unit i in school j. The *group-mean centered* variable \tilde{X}_{ij} is calculated by subtracting the mean for all units in a given school j, $\bar{X}_j = \sum_{i=1}^{n_j} X_{ij}$, from the raw score:

$$ilde{X}_{ij} = X_{ij} - ar{X}_{j}.$$

Calculate the group-mean centered test scores for each of the four test score variables (i.e., 4 variables), **centering by school**. Use the ungroup() function so that the resulting dataset does not include any grouping variables.

Print out the first 10 rows of the dataset, selecting the new centered variables.

```
# R code here
cen_scores <- STAR_g3 %>%
  group_by(glschid) %>%
  drop_na(starts_with("g3"))%>%
  mutate(
    g3treadss_centered = g3treadss - mean(g3treadss, na.rm = T),
    g3tmathss_centered = g3tmathss - mean(g3tmathss, na.rm = T),
    g3tlangss_centered = g3tlangss - mean(g3tlangss, na.rm = T),
    g3tlistss_centered = g3tlistss - mean(g3tlistss, na.rm = T)
) %>%
  ungroup()

# Print out the first 10 rows with the new centered variables
head(cen_scores[, c("g3treadss_centered", "g3tmathss_centered", "g3tlangss_centered",
"g3tlistss_centered")], 10)
```

```
## # A tibble: 10 × 4
##
      g3treadss_centered g3tmathss_centered g3tlangss_centered g3tlistss_centered
                    <dbl>
                                        <dbl>
                                                             <dbl>
                                                                                 <dbl>
##
                                                             -27
##
    1
                   -14.2
                                        -9.33
                                                                                 20.4
    2
##
                   -50.0
                                       -62.6
                                                             -65.4
                                                                                -40.7
##
    3
                   -54.8
                                       -18.1
                                                             -24.3
                                                                                 37.0
##
   4
                   -21.3
                                       -56.3
                                                             -27.8
                                                                                  3.70
    5
##
                   -43.0
                                         8.34
                                                             -17.7
                                                                                -19.8
    6
                                        15.9
                                                                                -17.1
##
                     7.71
                                                              27.8
    7
##
                    17.1
                                        22.1
                                                              21.1
                                                                                 35.0
##
    8
                    21.5
                                        24.0
                                                              30
                                                                                  6.82
## 9
                   -47.9
                                       -53.1
                                                                                -21.4
                                                             -51.1
## 10
                   -49.2
                                       -24.2
                                                             -55.2
                                                                                  5.36
```

13. Calculate the correlations among the four group-mean centered test score variables (these are equivalent to the partial correlations, after controlling for the students' schools). How do these partial correlations compare to the corresponding bi-variate correlations among the raw test score variables?

```
# R code here
#partial correlations
partial_corr<- cor(cen_scores %>% select(ends_with("centered")), method = "pearson")
partial_corr
```

```
##
                      g3treadss centered g3tmathss centered g3tlangss centered
                               1.0000000
## g3treadss centered
                                                   0.7146886
                                                                       0.7842844
## g3tmathss_centered
                               0.7146886
                                                   1.0000000
                                                                       0.7349754
## g3tlangss_centered
                               0.7842844
                                                   0.7349754
                                                                       1.0000000
## g3tlistss_centered
                                                   0.6096576
                                                                       0.5434882
                               0.6167166
##
                      g3tlistss centered
## g3treadss_centered
                               0.6167166
## g3tmathss_centered
                               0.6096576
## g3tlangss centered
                               0.5434882
## g3tlistss_centered
                               1.0000000
```

```
## g3treadss g3tmathss g3tlangss g3tlistss
## g3treadss 1.0000000 0.7443226 0.7988588 0.6535104
## g3tmathss 0.7443226 1.0000000 0.7549543 0.6473654
## g3tlangss 0.7988588 0.7549543 1.0000000 0.5741999
## g3tlistss 0.6535104 0.6473654 0.5741999 1.0000000
```

Partial and bivariate correlations, you'll notice that the partial correlations are generally slightly lower than the corresponding bivariate correlations.

14. [Bonus +1] Calculate the **pooled, within-school standard deviations** for each of the four test score variables, where the pooled within-school sample variance (the squared standard deviation) is defined

$$S_{within}^2 = rac{1}{N-G} \sum_{j=1}^G \sum_{i=1}^{n_j} ig(X_{ij} - ar{X}_j ig)^2,$$

where N is the total number of observations and G is the number of schools. (Note that S^2_{within} is very similar to the sample variance of the group-mean centered test scores, but with degrees of freedom N-G instead of N-1. Consequently, one way to calculate S^2_{within} is to calculate the sample variance of \tilde{X}_{ij} and then multiply by (N-1)/(N-G).)

```
# R code here
pooled_within_school_sd <- STAR_g3 %>%
   group_by(g1schid) %>%
   summarise(
    sd_g3treadss = sd(g3treadss, na.rm = T),
    sd_g3tmathss = sd(g3tmathss, na.rm = T),
   sd_g3tlangss = sd(g3tlangss, na.rm = T),
   sd_g3tlistss = sd(g3tlistss, na.rm = T)
)

# Print out the result
pooled_within_school_sd
```

```
## # A tibble: 64 × 5
      glschid sd_g3treadss sd_g3tmathss sd_g3tlangss sd_g3tlistss
##
##
         <int>
                       <dbl>
                                     <dbl>
                                                    <dbl>
                                                                  <dbl>
       112038
                        31.7
                                      31.2
                                                     32.8
                                                                   32.2
##
    1
##
    2
       123056
                        29.1
                                      27.1
                                                     29.8
                                                                   27.0
##
       128076
                        29.7
                                      33.4
                                                     29.3
                                                                   30.2
    4
       128079
                        39.9
                                      38.0
                                                     32.1
                                                                   30.1
##
##
    5
      130085
                        29.8
                                      39.7
                                                     28.9
                                                                   35.1
##
    6
       159171
                        42.2
                                      41.7
                                                     36.3
                                                                   30.9
    7
##
       161176
                        37.5
                                      33.9
                                                     37.4
                                                                   27.9
    8
                                                     29.9
                                                                   27.2
##
       161183
                        33.6
                                      36.0
    9
       162184
                        47.7
                                      46.7
                                                     47.9
                                                                   31.1
                                      40.9
                                                                   31.0
## 10
       164198
                        36.5
                                                     31.6
## # i 54 more rows
```

15. [Bonus +1] Calculate the **group-mean centered and scaled** scores for each of the four test score variables, where the group-mean centered and scaled score is defined as the group-mean centered variables, scaled by the within-school standard deviation:

$$\hat{X}_{ij} = rac{X_{ij} - ar{X}_{j}}{S_{within}}$$

```
# R code here
centered_and_scaled_scores <- STAR_g3 %>%
  drop_na(starts_with("g3t"))%>%
  group_by(glschid) %>%
  group by(glschid) %>%
  mutate(
    centered_and_scaled_g3treadss = (g3treadss - mean(g3treadss, na.rm = T)) / sd(g3t
readss, na.rm = T),
    centered_and_scaled_g3tmathss = (g3tmathss - mean(g3tmathss, na.rm = T)) / sd(g3t
mathss, na.rm = T),
    centered and scaled g3tlangss = (g3tlangss - mean(g3tlangss, na.rm = T)) / sd(g3t
langss, na.rm = T),
    centered_and_scaled_g3tlistss = (g3tlistss - mean(g3tlistss, na.rm = T)) / sd(g3t
listss, na.rm = T)
  )
head(centered_and_scaled_scores)
```

```
## # A tibble: 6 × 17
## # Groups:
              glschid [6]
     stdntid gender race birthmonth birthday birthyear cmpstype glschid glsurban
##
                                                                  <int> <chr>
      <int> <chr> <chr> <chr>
                                       <int>
                                                 <int> <chr>
##
      10003 MALE
                   WHITE MAY
                                          28
                                                  1980 REGULAR
                                                                 257899 RURAL
## 1
                                                  1980 SMALL
## 2
      10022 FEMALE BLACK OCTOBER
                                          27
                                                                 244801 SUBURBAN
                                                  1979 REGULAR
## 3
      10032 MALE
                   BLACK FEBRUARY
                                          19
                                                                 244776 INNER CITY
## 4
      10039 FEMALE WHITE NOVEMBER
                                          12
                                                  1979 REGULAR 164198 RURAL
## 5
      10042 FEMALE WHITE JULY
                                          10
                                                  1979 REGULAR
                                                                 203457 RURAL
## 6
      10055 FEMALE WHITE DECEMBER
                                           3
                                                  1979 AIDE
                                                                 161176 RURAL
## # i 8 more variables: g3treadss <int>, g3tmathss <int>, g3tlangss <int>,
      g3tlistss <int>, centered and scaled g3treadss <dbl>,
## #
## #
       centered_and_scaled_g3tmathss <dbl>, centered_and_scaled_g3tlangss <dbl>,
## #
       centered_and_scaled_g3tlistss <dbl>
```

16. [Bonus +1] Using the group-mean centered and scaled math scores, calculate the number of students from urban, suburban, and rural schools whose math test score is more than 2.5 standard deviations above or below the average test scores of students in their school.

```
# R code here
threshold <- 2.5

outliers <- centered_and_scaled_scores %>%
  filter(glsurban %in% c("URBAN", "SUBURBAN", "RURAL"))%>%
  group_by(glsurban) %>%
  filter(
    centered_and_scaled_g3tmathss > threshold |
        centered_and_scaled_g3tmathss < -threshold
) %>%
  summarise(number_of_outliers = n())

outliers
```

Visualization

Each question involves creating a visual representation of a dataset. In developing your visualizations, you should follow the principles of good statistical graphics by ensuring that:

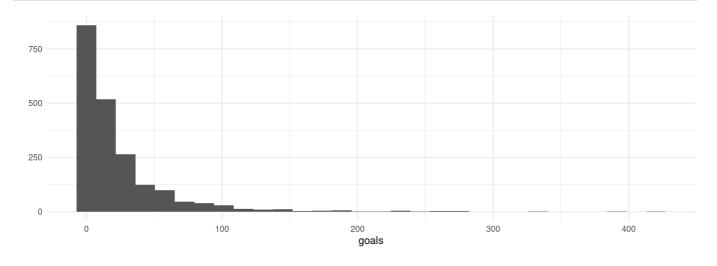
- · axes, legends, and titles always have clear and sensible labels;
- · the axes have sensible ranges and scales;
- relevant aspects of the data are not concealed (e.g., overlapping density plots are drawn so that each is clearly visible);
- it is easy to make comparisons between relevant quantities (e.g., categories to be compared should be close to each other);

In compiling the Rmarkdown file for this assignment, you might find it useful to change the default settings for the size of figures that are generated in a code chunk. For example, the following code displays a histogram of the number of goals scored by each player in the soccer fouls dataset. In the curly brackets at the beginning of the code chunk, I have set the fig.width and fig.height options to control the size of the resulting figure. Try changing the settings yourself and see what happens.

```
library(ggplot2)
qplot(goals, data = Soccer_fouls) + theme_minimal()
```

```
## Warning: `qplot()` was deprecated in ggplot2 3.4.0.
## This warning is displayed once every 8 hours.
## Call `lifecycle::last_lifecycle_warnings()` to see where this warning was
## generated.
```

```
## `stat_bin()` using `bins = 30`. Pick better value with `binwidth`.
```



Soccer data (5 pt)

This question deals with the data on soccer players and the number of yellow and red cards they receive, which is saved in the soccer fouls data frame.

1. Calculate the average number of foul cards (of any color: yellowCards, redCards, and yellowReds) that each player receives **per game** (e.g., Bastian Schweinsteiger of Bayern-Muenchen had 93 cards in 611 games, or 0.1522095 cards per game).

```
##
                       player cards_per_game
                                  0.02905199
## 1
                Aaron Hughes
## 2
                   Aaron Hunt
                                  0.12797619
## 3
                Aaron Lennon
                                  0.02669903
                                  0.12307692
## 4
                Aaron Ramsey
## 5
      Abdelhamid El-Kaoutari
                                  0.11290323
## 6
                 Abdón Prats
                                  0.16666667
## 7
                Abdou Dampha
                                  0.20454545
## 8
                Abdou Traoré
                                  0.12371134
## 9
                Abdoul Camara
                                  0.02112676
## 10
            Abdoulaye Diallo
                                  0.0000000
```

2. Create a density plot of the distribution of this quantity, with separate densities displayed for each league/Country.

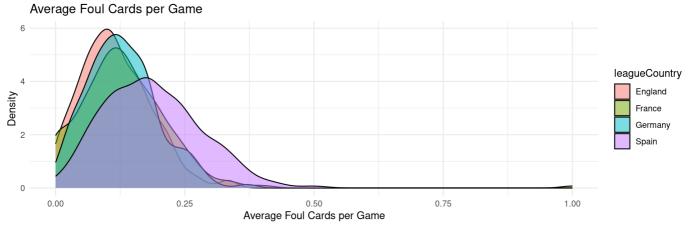
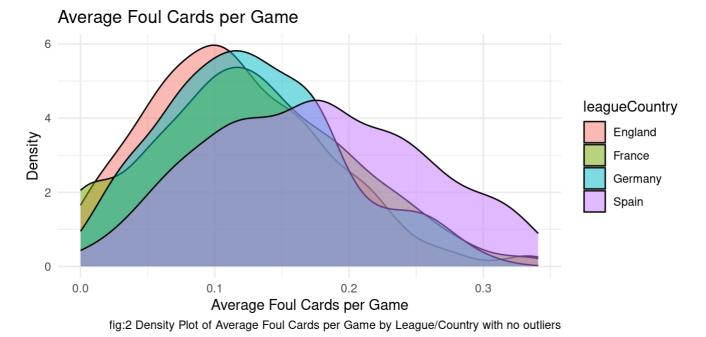


fig:1 Density Plot of Average Foul Cards per Game by League/Country

3. Check for outliers (e.g., outside of 1st and 3rd quartiles; or any operational definition of outliers from you) and revise your graph accordingly.

```
##find Q1, Q3, and interquartile range for values in column cards_per_game
Q1 <- quantile(average cards per game$cards per game, .25)
Q3 <- quantile(average cards per game$cards per game, .75)
IQR <- IQR(average_cards_per_game$cards_per_game)</pre>
#only keep rows in dataframe that have values within 1.5*IQR of Q1 and Q3
no_outliers <- subset(average_cards_per_game, average_cards_per_game$cards_per_game>
(Q1 - 1.5*IQR) & average_cards_per_game$cards_per_game< (Q3 + 1.5*IQR))
# Create a density plot
ggplot(no_outliers, aes(x = cards_per_game, fill = leagueCountry)) +
  geom_density(alpha = 0.5) +
  labs(title = "Average Foul Cards per Game",
       x = "Average Foul Cards per Game",
       caption = "fig:2 Density Plot of Average Foul Cards per Game by League/Country
with no outliers",
       y = "Density") +
  theme minimal()
```



4. Interpret the graph: Which league appears to have the highest average number of fouls per game?

Explain your interpretation here. The English league has the highest average number of fouls per game. This is indicated by the highest density at around 0.2 average foul cards per game for the English league (represented in green). The French and Spanish leagues have lower densities, indicating fewer average fouls per game.

Ways to improve public education (4 pt)

This question deals with the data from the State of the City poll conducted by the Pew Center, which is saved in the City_poll data frame.

Questions 18a through 18d all start with the stem "Please tell me what impact you think each of the following changes would have on improving the quality of public education in your community...." The responses were coded so that 1 = "Better," 2 = "About the same," 3 = "Worse," 8 = "Don't know," and 9 = "Refused."

1. Reformat these variables as factors with informative labels. (NOTE. Don't forget to re-code missing data.)

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##
               q18a
                      q18b
                             q18c
                                            q18d
## 1
              Worse Better Better About the same
## 2 About the same Better Better
                                      Don't know
## 3 About the same Worse Better About the same
## 4
             Better Better Better
                                          Better
## 5 About the same Better Better
                                          Better
## 6 About the same Better Better
                                          Better
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2. Create a bar chart or set of bar charts that display the distribution of responses to each of these questions. The figure should make it easy to compare the respondents' views about which proposals would be effective.

3. Interpret the graph: Which of the proposals is most widely view as effective? Which is most widely viewed as detrimental?

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# R code here
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Distribution of Responses to Questions 18a through 18d

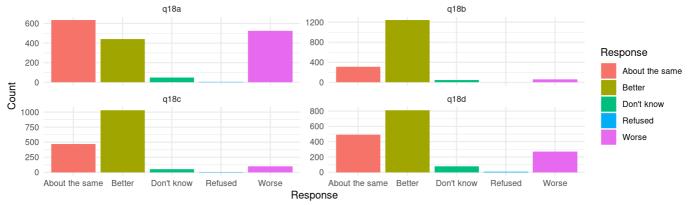


fig3: Please tell me what impact you think each of the following changes would have on improving the quality of public education in your community

Explain your interpretation here.

The proposal that is most widely viewed as effective is that students should have sames classes. Linking the pay for teachers and adminstartors to performance of the students is viewed as the most detrimental proposals.

Differing views by party (3 pt)

Continuing with the same data as in the previous question, I have created the variable party_leaning that captures respondents' political orientation (it is a composite of the variables party and partyln).

1. Create a bar chart or set of bar charts that display the distribution of responses to each of the *education items* (Q18) by political orientation, so that it is possible to compare differences between Democratic-leaning and Republican-leaning respondents' opinions about the effectiveness of each policy. You can exclude the response categories other than "Democratic" and "Republican." (i.e., Treat thoes as NA)

Distribution of Responses by Republican

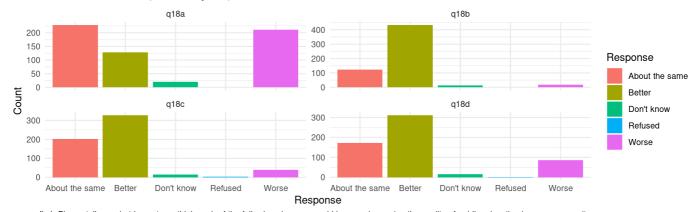


fig4: Please tell me what impact you think each of the following changes would have on improving the quality of public education in your community

Distribution of Responses by Democratic q18a a18b 300 600 200 400 Response 100 200 About the same Count 0 Better q18c q18d Don't know 300 Refused 400 200 Worse 200 100 0 About the same Better Don't know Refused Worse About the same Better Don't know Worse

Response
fig 5: Please tell me what impact you think each of the following changes would have on improving the quality of public education in your community

2. Interpret the graph: Which of the proposals is most widely view as effective by Republicans? by Democrats? For which of the proposals is there the greatest discrepancy between the opinions of Democrats and Republicans?

Explain your interpretation here. Both republicans and Democratic seems to agree on most of the proposals. There are no major discrepancies between the two parties. Both parties feel that having smaller classes is more effective. And are all aganist having longer school days.