

# A Case Study Of Analyzing 2013 Chicago Youth Health Risk Behavior Data By Machine Learning With CRISP-DM Methodology

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## Abstract

The objective of this paper is to use data mining techniques to analyze the 2013 Chicago youth risk behavior surveillance survey data, Collected by the centers for Disease Control and Prevention in USA, to investigate interesting relations and patterns in collected data, and provide a recommendation based on findings that been discovered by applying machine learning algorithms such as priori decision tree... etc. following CRISP-DM steps methodology, starting by business understanding, data understanding, data preparation, modeling, and evaluation. R open-source software will be used among all the process steps.

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## 1 Executive Summary.

- The main objective of this project is to examine the associations between victimization, substance use, and suicide attempt among youth using the Youth Health Risk Behavior Survey data for the year 2013.
- The data used consists of information from 1581 respondents, consist of Record Id & 28 variables that are categorized into 4 categories:
  1. Demographic
  2. Victimization
  3. Suicide Attempt
  4. Substance Use
- Each respondent is identified by a record ID and are mostly between the ages of 15-19 studying in grades 9-12.
- Most of the data consists of “Yes” / “No” answers to questions from the survey.
  - Among the victimization variables, most common “Yes” answer was to the question ‘Fought school 1+ times 12 months – around 15% of records
  - Among the substance use variables, most common “Yes” answer was to the question ‘Tried marijuana 1+ times in life’ – around 50% of records
  - Among the suicide attempts variables, most common “Yes” answer was to the question ‘Considered suicide 12 months – around 16% of records
  - There are many NA/missing values in the dataset and after omitting these, we got 934 records that could be used for analysis.
  - In the data preparation stage, the following transformations and modifications are done.
  - Combining variables from each category into one variable each for victimization, substance use and suicide attempt
  - Generating data in transaction format to do association analysis
- In the first part of modeling, we used apriori algorithm to identify the most common associations between victimization, suicide attempt, and substance use. The major findings are:
  - There is an association between suicide attempt and substance use at the support of 17% and confidence of around 70%, but the association between suicide attempt and victimization is weaker at the support of around 12% and confidence of around 49%.
  - The strongest association between individual variables is between qn27 (Considered suicide in the last 12 months) and qn47 (Tried marijuana 1+ times in life) at the support of around 11% and

confidence of around 62%.

- In the second part of modeling, we used decision tree machine learning techniques to automatically segment the class grade and determine how well these derived groupings correspond to victimization and suicide attempt and predict ‘suicide attempt’ using the aggregated variables ‘victimization’ and ‘substance use’ for class ‘grade’.

## 2 Introduction.

### 2.1 Background.

Health behaviors and experiences related to sexual behavior, high-risk substance use, violence victimization, mental health, and suicide contribute to substantial morbidity for adolescents, including risk for HIV, STDs, and teen pregnancy. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in the United States monitors routinely youth health behaviors and experiences by conducting a yearly survey across the country in collaboration with schools to help in preventing future prevention of the spread of HIV, drug uses, sexually transmitted diseases, and unintended teen pregnancy in goal to raise awareness and understanding. Collected under the flag of the YRBSS system which is developed in 1990 to monitor those risks. From 1991 until 2013, A total of 2.6 million high school student data was collected in more than 1,100 separate surveys. In this paper the analysis will be performed on the 2013 YRBSS Chicago dataset, downloaded from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, CRISP-DM methodology steps will be followed. R open-source software for report generating, analysis, and to communicate findings.

#### 2.1.1 Overview of CRISP-DM:

CRISP-DM was conceived in 1996 and immature data mining market as a standardized process for data mining projects, The methodology provides an overview of the life cycle of a data mining project, In six major steps; Bussiness understanding, Data understanding, Data preparation, Modeling, And Evaluation. According to the latest poll (2014) results by <https://www.kdnuggets.com/>, the crisp-dm methodology is still the most popular data mining with 43%, the second most popular method is SEMMA by SAS institute, and followed third by KDD process method.

#### Note:

- As per the project requirements, the deployment step is not included in the process.

### 2.2 Business Challenges.

This case study examines the associations between victimization, substance use, and suicide attempt among youth in Chicago in 2013, challenges are:

- Are there relations between victimization (fighting, bullying, sexual abuse) and substance use (Tabaco, alcohol and other drug use)?
- Are there relations between victimization (fighting, bullying, sexual abuse) and suicide attempts?
- Are there relations between substance use (Tabaco, alcohol and other substance use) and suicide attempts?

## 3 Business Understanding:

### 3.1 Objective:

The main objective of this project is to examine the associations between victimization, substance use, and suicide attempt among youth using the Youth Health Risk Behavior Survey data for the year 2013. This study has a goal of addressing the association of youth mental health with substance use, suicide attempt, and victimization. Data sample includes only youth, and thus focuses on health-related outcomes not limited

to substance use, suicide, or victimization. We will be using Apriori, and ecalt algorithms for frequent itemset mining and association rule learning, and Decision Tree to segment class grade groups that related to victimization and suicide attempts. The data set will allow for the identification of several potentially valuable insights.

**Using the above-mentioned algorithms we are going to answer the following questions:**

1. Are there relations between victimization (fighting, bullying, sexual abuse) and suicide attempt?
2. Are there relations between substance use (Tabaco, alcohol and other substance use) and suicide attempts?
3. Apply machine learning techniques to automatically segment the class grade into clusters and determine how well these derived groupings correspond to victimization and suicide attempt.

### 3.2 Motivation:

Youth suicide is a substantial concern for health professionals, educators, lawmakers and society in general. Researchers have estimated that around 11% of all deaths among 12-19-year-olds are due to suicide. It is assumed that there is a high association between victimization, substance use, and suicide attempt. Studying these associations will help in understanding youth behaviors and reducing adverse events. This type of analysis will also help doctors make decisions after taking into account the risk of suicide among their youth patients with a history of victimization and/or substance use.

It is also critical to identify high-risk groups who may be more associated with suicide attempts so that targeted preventive measures can be taken. For example, the CDC states that historical suicide rates for teens aged 15-19 years in the US differ significantly between genders.

### 3.3 Data Description:

The Youth Health Risk Behavior Survey is a biannual study undertaken by the UNITED STATES CDC that monitors several categories of health-related behaviors among youth. The survey includes adolescents from grades 9-12 in the age group of 14-19 years. In our analysis, we consider behaviors related to victimization (fighting, bullying, sexual abuse, etc.), substance use (tobacco, alcohol, marijuana, etc.) and suicide attempt (considered suicide, attempted suicide, etc.). The responses of the survey questions are initially processed by the CDC to identify logical inconsistencies, convert responses to usable form, create derived variables from responses, etc. We use a subset of the full data and analyze only demographic, victimization, substance use and suicide attempt information.

#### 3.3.1 About the dataset:

This case study is from the Youth Risk Behavior Survey (YRBS) data which is free for use. (Seen from <http://www.cdc.gov/healthyyouth/data/yrbs/data.htm>).

## 4 Data Understanding.

The dataset used in this project consists of a Record ID that serves as a unique identifier, 4 demographic variables, 7 victimization variables, 4 suicide attempt variables, and 13 substance use variables. The data is provided in CSV format.

### 4.1 Metadata Description.

Here shows a full description of all dataset variables, with details for all variables.

| Variable | Description              | Short.Description |
|----------|--------------------------|-------------------|
| record   | Record ID of participant | Record            |

| Variable | Description  | Short.Description          |
|----------|--|----------------------------|
| age      | Age of participant   | Age                        |
| sex      | Sex of participant   | Sex                        |
| grade    | Grade in which participant was studying                              | Grade                      |
| race4    | Race/ethnicity of participant  | Race                       |
| qn16     | Unsafe at school 1 or more times in the past 30 days                 | Unsafe                     |
| qn17     | Threatened at school 1 or more times in the past 12 months           | Threatened                 |
| qn19     | Injured at school 1 or more times in the past 12 months              | Injured                    |
| qn20     | Fought at school 1 or more times in the past 12 months               | Fought                     |
| qn21     | Forced to have sex   | ForcedSex                  |
| qn24     | Bullied 1 or more times in the past 12 months                        | Bullied                    |
| qn25     | Electronically bullied 1 or more times in the past 12 months         | Ebullied                   |
| qn27     | Considered suicide in the past 12 months                             | ConsideredSuicide          |
| qn28     | Made suicide plan in the past 12 months                              | MadeSuicidePlan            |
| qn29     | Attempted suicide in the past 12 months                              | AttemptSuicide             |
| qn30     | Suicide attempt with or without injury in the past 12 months         | SuicideWithOrWithoutInjury |
| qn33     | Smoked 1 or more times in the past 30 days                           | SmokedMonth                |
| qn37     | Smoked daily for 30 days   | SmokedDaily                |
| qn43     | Had drinks 1 or more times in the past 30 days                       | Drinks1+                   |
| qn45     | Had drinks 10 or more times in the past 30 days                      | Drinks10+                  |
| qn47     | Tried marijuana 1 or more times in life                              | Marijuana1+                |
| qn50     | Used cocaine 1 or more times in life                                 | Cocaine1+                  |
| qn51     | Sniffed glue 1 or more times in life                                 | SniffedGlue1+              |
| qn52     | Used heroin 1 or more times in life                                  | Heroin1+                   |
| qn53     | Used meth 1 or more times in life                                    | Meth1+                     |
| qn54     | Used ecstasy 1 or more times in life                                 | Ecstasy1+                  |
| qn55     | Took steroids 1 or more times in life                                | Steroids1+                 |
| qn56     | Taken prescription drug without prescription 1 or more times in life | PrescriptionDrug           |
| qn57     | Injected drugs 1 or more times in life                               | InjectedDrugs              |

## 4.2 Loading, Retrieving, Viewing Data.

Loading the data from the main source and view the first 5 rows from each variable.

Table 2: First 5 rows of dataset (continued below)

| record  | age | sex | grade | race4 | qn16 | qn17 | qn19 | qn20 | qn21 | qn24 | qn25 | qn27 | qn28 |
|---------|-----|-----|-------|-------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| 1115896 | NA  | NA  | NA    | 2     | 1    | 1    | 2    | 1    | NA   | NA   | 2    | 1    | NA   |
| 1115897 | NA  | NA  | 4     | 3     | 1    | 2    | 2    | 2    | 2    | 1    | 2    | 1    | 1    |
| 1115898 | 1   | NA  | NA    | 4     | 1    | 2    | 1    | 1    | 2    | 2    | 2    | 1    | 1    |
| 1115899 | 2   | NA  | 2     | 3     | NA   | 1    | 1    | NA   | 2    | NA   | 2    | 2    | NA   |
| 1115900 | 3   | NA  | 3     | NA    | 1    | 1    | 1    | 1    | NA   | 2    | 2    | 2    | 2    |

| record  | age | sex | grade | race4 | qn16 | qn17 | qn19 | qn20 | qn21 | qn24 | qn25 | qn27 | qn28 |
|---------|-----|-----|-------|-------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| 1115901 | 4   | NA  | 1     | 3     | NA   | NA   | NA   | NA   | 1    | 2    | 2    | NA   | NA   |

| qn29 | qn30 | qn33 | qn37 | qn43 | qn45 | qn47 | qn50 | qn51 | qn52 | qn53 | qn54 | qn55 | qn56 | qn57 |
|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| NA   | NA   | NA   | NA   | NA   | NA   | 1    | NA   | 1    | 2    | 2    | 2    | 1    | 2    | 2    |
| 2    | 2    | 2    | 2    | 1    | 2    | 2    | 2    | 2    | 2    | 2    | 2    | 2    | 1    | 2    |
| NA   | NA   | NA   | 1    | NA   | NA   | 1    | 1    | 1    | 1    | 2    | 1    | 1    | 1    | 2    |
| 1    | 2    | NA   | 2    | 1    | 2    | NA   | 1    | 1    | 1    | 1    | 1    | 1    | 1    | 1    |
| 2    | 2    | NA   | 2    | 2    | 2    | 1    | 2    | 2    | 2    | 2    | 2    | 2    | 2    | 2    |
| NA   | NA   | NA   | NA   | NA   | NA   | NA   | NA   | NA   | NA   | NA   | NA   | NA   | NA   | NA   |

### 4.3 Exploratory Data Analysis.

This section introduces an exploration to the dataset by investigating all the variables, and observations, missing and completed rows.

Table 4: Sample of observations with Empty values

| age | sex | grade | race4 | qn16 | qn17 | qn19 | qn20 | qn21 | qn24 | qn25 | qn27 | qn28 | qn29 |
|-----|-----|-------|-------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| NA  | NA  | NA    | 2     | 1    | 1    | 2    | 1    | NA   | NA   | 2    | 1    | NA   | NA   |
| NA  | NA  | 4     | 3     | 1    | 2    | 2    | 2    | 2    | 1    | 2    | 1    | 1    | 2    |

Table 5: Describe basic informations of dataset (continued below)

| rows | columns | discrete_columns | continuous_columns | all_missing_columns |
|------|---------|------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| 1581 | 29      | 0                | 29                 | 0                   |

| total_missing_values | complete_rows | total_observations | memory_usage |
|----------------------|---------------|--------------------|--------------|
| 1841                 | 934           | 45849              | 189816       |

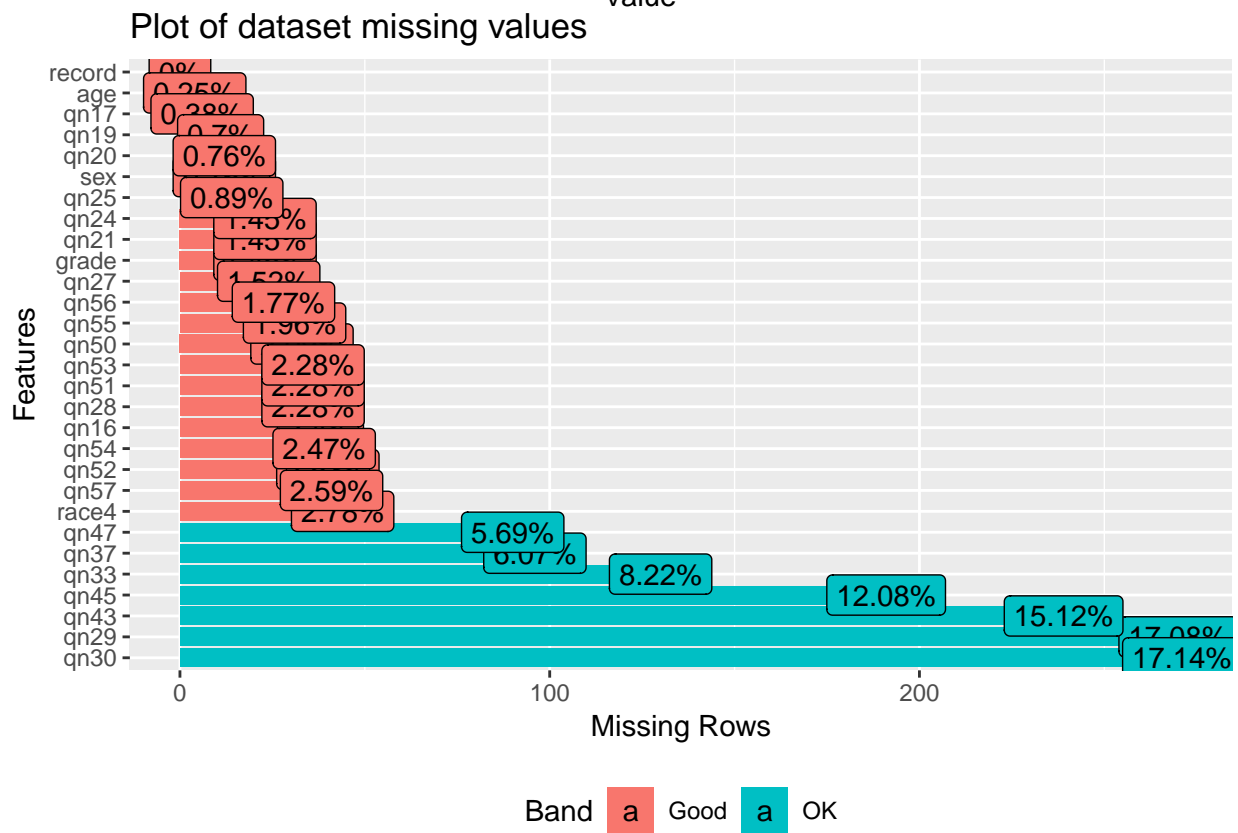
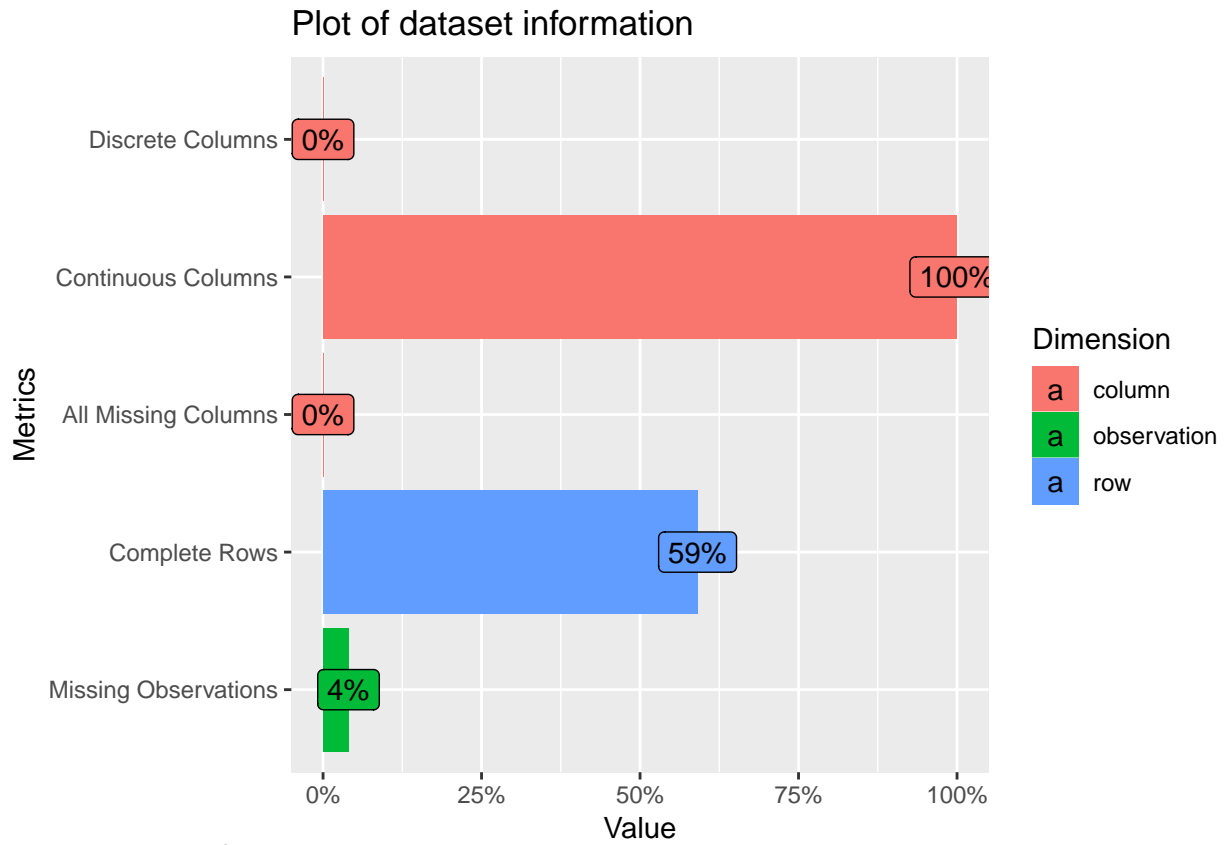


Table 7: Sample of observations with Empty values

| age | sex | grade | race4 | qn16 | qn17 | qn19 | qn20 | qn21 | qn24 | qn25 | qn27 | qn28 | qn29 |
|-----|-----|-------|-------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| NA  | NA  | NA    | 2     | 1    | 1    | 2    | 1    | NA   | NA   | 2    | 1    | NA   | NA   |
| NA  | NA  | 4     | 3     | 1    | 2    | 2    | 2    | 2    | 1    | 2    | 1    | 1    | 2    |

- Summary:

There are many NA values in the data. that will addressed and preprocessed in the following steps.

## 4.4 Demographic Variables Description

### Description of the factor levels of demographic variables:

In dataset there are 4 demographic variables, grouped as a level as the below:

- Age: (1= <=12 years old, 2=13 years old, 3=14 years old, 4=15 years old, 5=16 years old, 6=17 years old, 7=18+ years old).
- Sex: (1=Female, 2=Male).
- Race: (1=White, 2=Black/African American, 3=Hispanic/Latino, 4=All other races).
- Grade (1=9th, 2=10th, 3=11th, 4=12th).

Data from the questions are all dichotomous (ordinal) as numerical values with levels “1”, “2”...etc or NA for missing value.

### Note:

- Considering “1” corresponds to “Yes” and “2” corresponds to a “No”.

## 5 Data Preprocessing (Demographics)

This section will implement a data cleaning process for all non-needed variables.

### 5.1 Creating A Custom R Function To Handle Missing Data For Specific/All Observations.

#### 5.1.1 Apply On Demographics Variables Only.

This function takes the dataset and the cols to omit the na values

Note:

- This function will be used to clean data in two phases, phase (1) will handle the demographic variables, and phase (2) handles the other victimization variables, suicide attempt variables, and 13 substance use variables.

```
#This function takes the dataset and the cols to omit the na values
omitNaForSpecificCols <- function(d, desiredCols) {
  completeVec <- complete.cases(d[, desiredCols])
  return(d[completeVec, ])
}
```

### 5.2 Data Distribution Overview (Demographics).

Here an overview of cleaned data from any Na observation, and statistical summary of the new observations.

- Summary:



The new dataset has a 1514 obs. out of 5 demographic variables (age, sex, grade, race), and nonempty observations, levels have been changed into categorical (texts) for analysis in the next steps.

- Note:

NA in this output shows only an empty level eg: “sex variable according to dataset description has only two levels”.

Table 8: Demographics data summary

| age      | sex        | grade    | race                       |
|----------|------------|----------|----------------------------|
| <=12: 4  | Female:866 | 9th :259 | White :132                 |
| 13 : 0   | Male :648  | 10th:374 | Black/African American:549 |
| 14 :106  | NA         | 11th:434 | Hispanic/Latino :705       |
| 15 :279  | NA         | 12th:447 | All other races :128       |
| 16 :397  | NA         | NA       | NA                         |
| 17 :427  | NA         | NA       | NA                         |
| 18+ :301 | NA         | NA       | NA                         |

Table 9: Demographics data structure (continued below)

| rows | columns | discrete_columns | continuous_columns | all_missing_columns |
|------|---------|------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| 1514 | 4       | 4                | 0                  | 0                   |

| total_missing_values | complete_rows | total_observations | memory_usage |
|----------------------|---------------|--------------------|--------------|
| 0                    | 1514          | 6056               | 28856        |

### 5.3 Data Overview (Demographics).

Here shows a sample of the dataset after cleaning, and transforming the variables.

Table 11: New demographic variables

| age  | sex  | grade | race                   |
|------|------|-------|------------------------|
| <=12 | Male | 10th  | Hispanic/Latino        |
| <=12 | Male | 12th  | Hispanic/Latino        |
| <=12 | Male | 11th  | All other races        |
| 14   | Male | 9th   | Black/African American |
| 14   | Male | 9th   | Hispanic/Latino        |

### 5.4 Statistical Summary Of Grouped Data (Demographics).

Here shows a statistical summary of all grouped demographic variables, this gives a meaning of how well are our data variables are distributed, and if the data set is biased toward a certain variable. A biased dataset in many cases can affect all the analysis results and give non-realistic insights.

- Summary:

The sex group’s variables are normally distributed.

The race group’s variables are normally distributed.

The age group's variables are normally distributed.

Grade groups are skewed towards 12th and 11th observations.

Table 12: statistical summary of demographics groups

| Variable | Valid                  | Frequency | Percent | CumPercent |
|----------|------------------------|-----------|---------|------------|
| race     | All other races        | 25        | 25.51   | 25.51      |
| race     | Black/African American | 26        | 26.53   | 52.04      |
| race     | Hispanic/Latino        | 28        | 28.57   | 80.61      |
| race     | White                  | 19        | 19.39   | 100        |
| race     | TOTAL                  | 98        | NA      | NA         |
| sex      | Female                 | 46        | 46.94   | 46.94      |
| sex      | Male                   | 52        | 53.06   | 100        |
| sex      | TOTAL                  | 98        | NA      | NA         |
| grade    | 10th                   | 27        | 27.55   | 27.55      |
| grade    | 11th                   | 26        | 26.53   | 54.08      |
| grade    | 12th                   | 21        | 21.43   | 75.51      |
| grade    | 9th                    | 24        | 24.49   | 100        |
| grade    | TOTAL                  | 98        | NA      | NA         |
| age      | <=12                   | 4         | 4.08    | 4.08       |
| age      | 14                     | 11        | 11.22   | 15.3       |
| age      | 15                     | 17        | 17.35   | 32.65      |
| age      | 16                     | 25        | 25.51   | 58.16      |
| age      | 17                     | 24        | 24.49   | 82.65      |
| age      | 18+                    | 17        | 17.35   | 100        |
| age      | TOTAL                  | 98        | NA      | NA         |

## 5.5 Data Visualization.

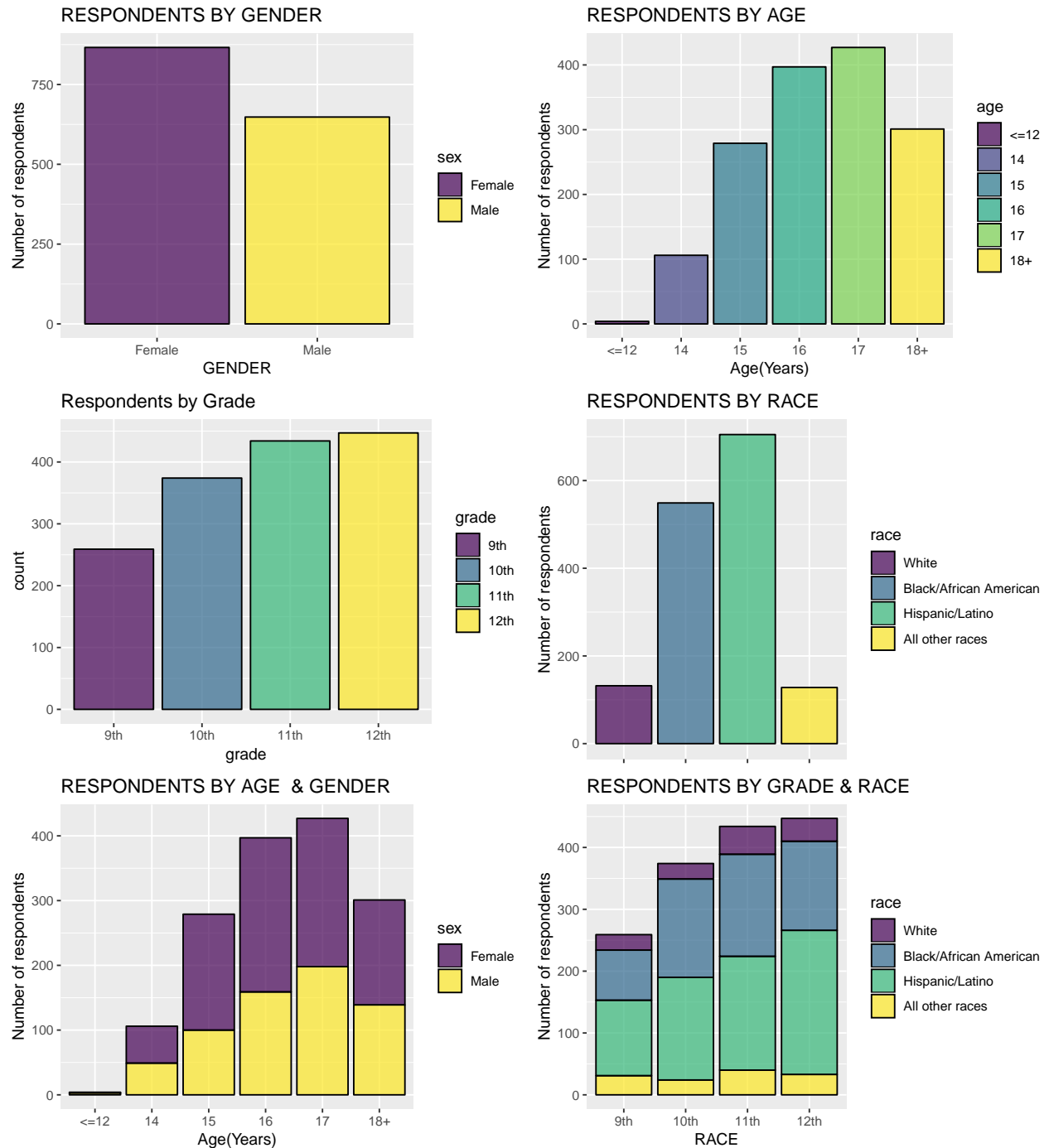
This section investigates the relations between the different variables of the dataset and to visualize interesting insights from data.

### 5.5.1 Demographic Details (Age,Race,Sex, & Grade) of Respondents.

Barplot measures the distribution of variables over the dataset, it can be useful to indicate several informative insights such as the skewness of data, how observations are dominant to others.

- Summary:

It can be seen Hispanic/Latinos, and Black/African Americans are dominants when compared to other races, most of data samples are aged above 14 years old, Male and females are distributed normally among all ages in the dataset.



### 5.5.2 Victimization Proportion.

Visualizing the victimizations variables in the dataset, which are ranged in victimizations groups variables, gave us the following insights.

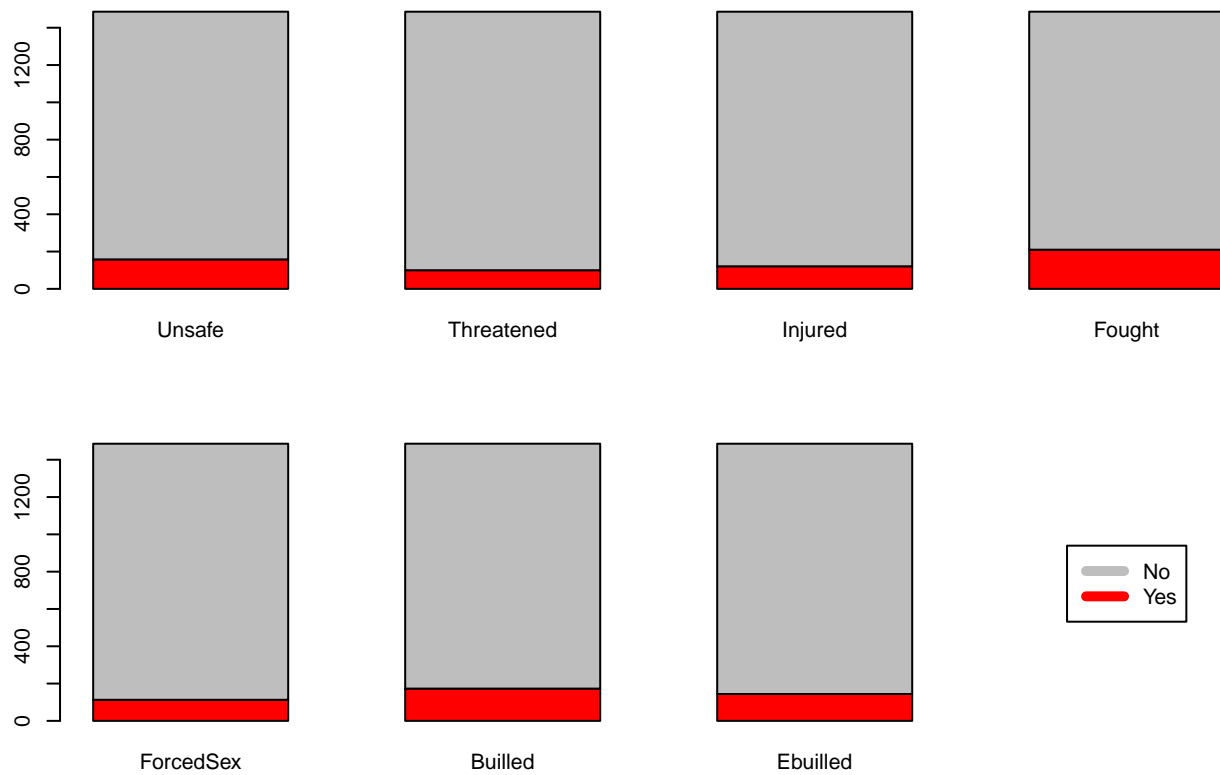
- Summary:

**Victimization's highest percentage are:**

1. Fought school 1+ times 12 months: around 15%.
2. Missed school b/c unsafe 1+ 30 days: around 12%.

3. Bullied at school for 12 months: around 12%.

### Split of victimization variables



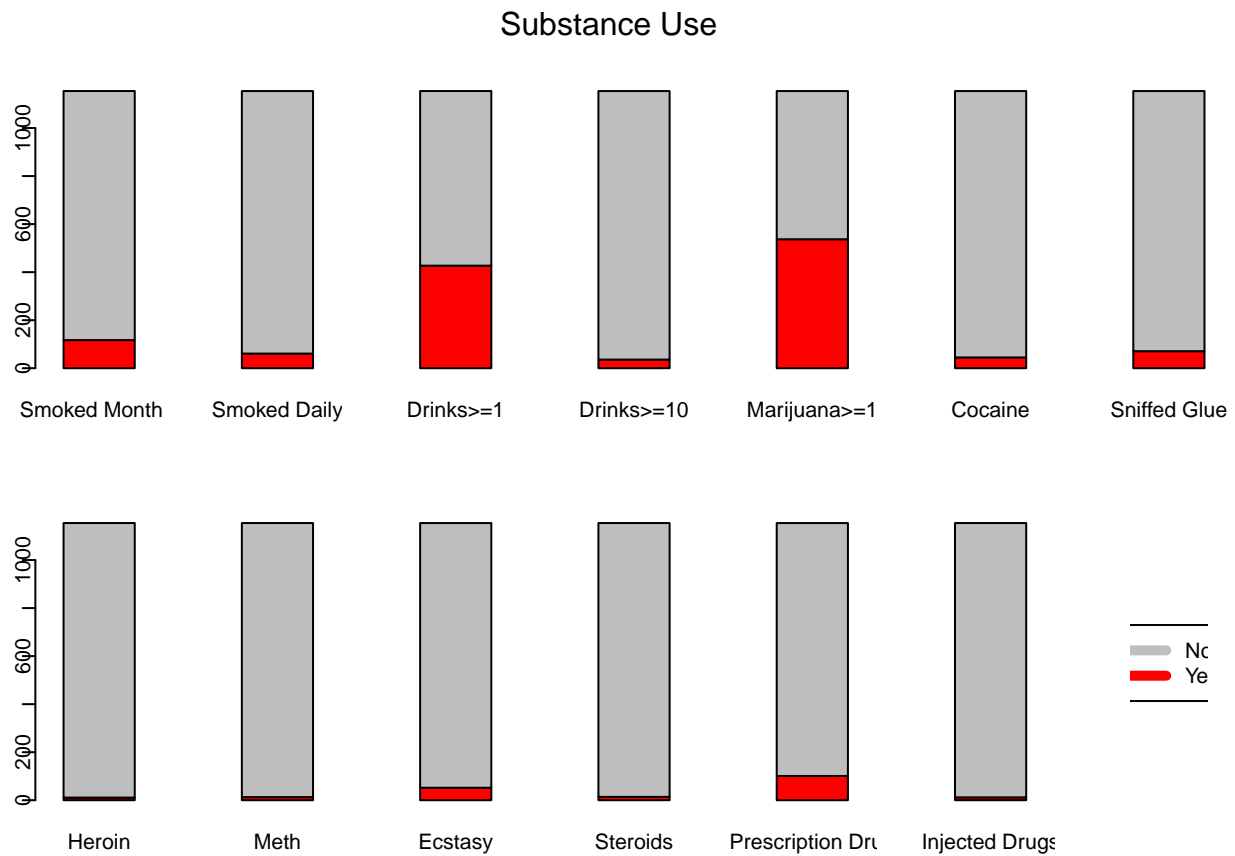
### 5.5.3 Substance Use Proportion.

Visualizing the substance use variables in the dataset, which are ranges in Substance use groups variables, gave us the following insights.

- Summary:

**Substance use the highest percentage are:**

1. Tried marijuana 1+ times in life: around 50%.
2. Had 1+ drinks past 30 days: around 39%.



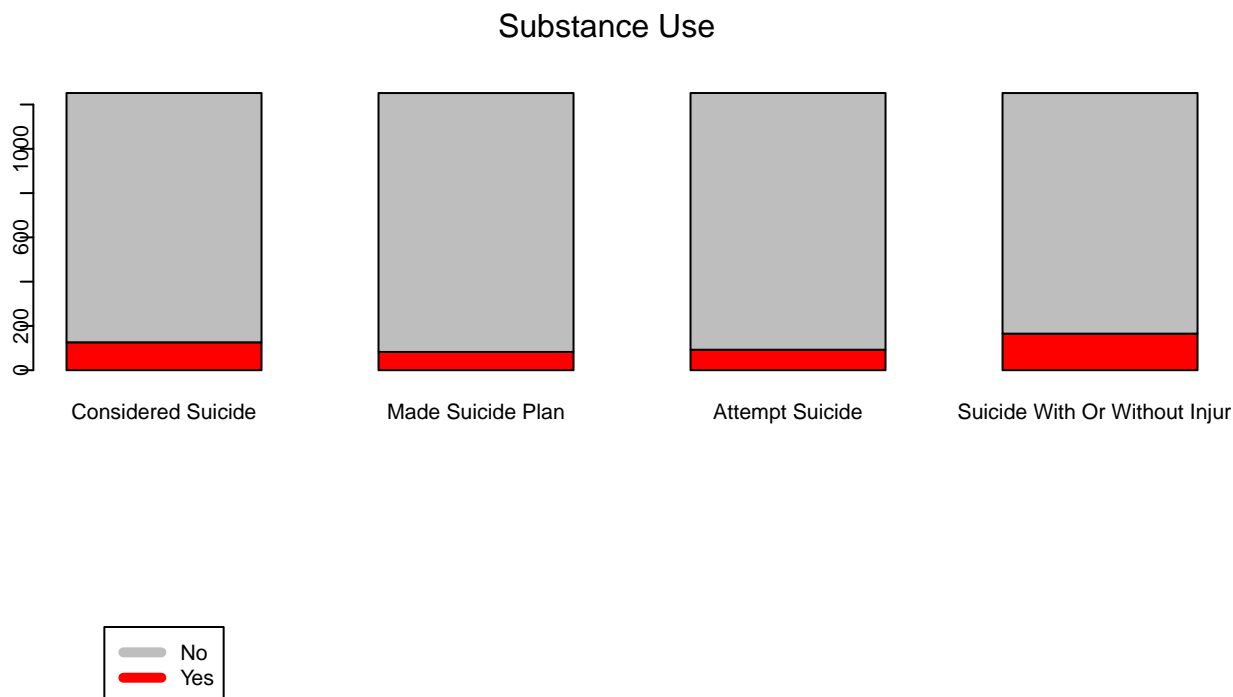
#### 5.5.4 Suicide Attempts Proportion.

Visualizing substance use variables in the dataset, which are ranges in suicide attempts groups variables, gave us the following insights.

- Summary:

**Suicide attempts the highest percentage are:**

1. Considered suicide 12 months: around 16%.
2. Made suicide plan 12 months: around 14%.



## 6 Data Preparation.

In the above section, we noticed that there are many NA values in the data. We checked the number of missing values in each field using the following function that generates the following insights.

-Summary:

Question 29, question 30 and question 43 have the most NA values. These are ‘Attempted suicide 1+ times 12 months’, ‘Suicide attempt with injury 12 months and ‘Had 1+ drinks past 30 days’.

Table 13: Table continues below

| record | age | sex | grade | race4 | qn16 | qn17 | qn19 | qn20 | qn21 | qn24 | qn25 | qn27 | qn28 |
|--------|-----|-----|-------|-------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| 0      | 4   | 12  | 23    | 44    | 38   | 6    | 11   | 12   | 23   | 23   | 14   | 24   | 36   |

| qn29 | qn30 | qn33 | qn37 | qn43 | qn45 | qn47 | qn50 | qn51 | qn52 | qn53 | qn54 | qn55 | qn56 | qn57 |
|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| 270  | 271  | 130  | 96   | 239  | 191  | 90   | 33   | 36   | 40   | 36   | 39   | 31   | 28   | 41   |

### 6.1 Cleaning Data Using “omitNaForSpecificCols” Custom Function.

As a first step Here we clean all the dataset of any non-needed variable and investigate if we still have any missing value.

Table 15: Table continues below

| record | age | sex | grade | race4 | qn16 | qn17 | qn19 | qn20 | qn21 | qn24 | qn25 | qn27 | qn28 |
|--------|-----|-----|-------|-------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| 0      | 0   | 0   | 0     | 0     | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    |

| qn29 | qn30 | qn33 | qn37 | qn43 | qn45 | qn47 | qn50 | qn51 | qn52 | qn53 | qn54 | qn55 | qn56 | qn57 |
|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    |

Table 17: sample of clean dataset

|           | age | sex | grade | race4 | qn16 | qn17 | qn19 | qn20 | qn21 |
|-----------|-----|-----|-------|-------|------|------|------|------|------|
| <b>15</b> | 1   | 2   | 2     | 3     | 2    | 2    | 2    | 2    | 2    |
| <b>20</b> | 3   | 2   | 1     | 3     | 1    | 2    | 1    | 2    | 2    |
| <b>22</b> | 3   | 2   | 1     | 3     | 2    | 2    | 2    | 2    | 2    |

## 6.2 Correlation Matrix Of Variables.

Correlation used in EDA to measures the strengths of association between two variables., the value of the correlation coefficient varies between +1 and -1. 1.0 (a perfect positive correlation) and -1.0 (a perfect negative correlation). A zero value indicates no association between ranks. Spearman correlation choice came from the non-linear relation between the variable.

Spearman correlation formula:

$$\rho = 1 - \frac{6 \sum d_i^2}{n(n^2 - 1)}$$

where:

d = the pairwise distances of the ranks of the variables xi and yi.

n = the number of samples.

- Summary:
- Students who have been on substance use (qn56), have had fought or injured(q19,q20).
- Unsafe students (qn16) are on a high level to be exposed to drugs substance(qn50).
- students who have been bullied (qn24) in school, have an experience of E-bullied (qn25).

## 6.3 Data Aggregation.

In this section, we also do some data transformations that will help in analysis and modeling. Specifically, we do the following steps:

1. Combine variables for victimization, suicide and substance use into one variable each.
2. Convert the clean data into transaction format to do association analysis.

### 6.3.1 Combine variables for victimization, suicide and substance use into one variable each.

Here we combined all the victimization variables and combine them into one binary encoded for each one.

```
## [1] "Unsafe"      "Threatened" "Injured"     "Fought"      "ForcedSex"
## [6] "Bullied"

## [1] "SmokedMonth" "SmokedDaily" "Drinks1+"    "Drinks10+"   "Marijuana1+"
## [6] "Cocaine1+"

## [1] "ConsideredSuicide"      "MadeSuicidePlan"
## [3] "AttemptSuicide"        "SuicideWithOrWithoutInjury"
```

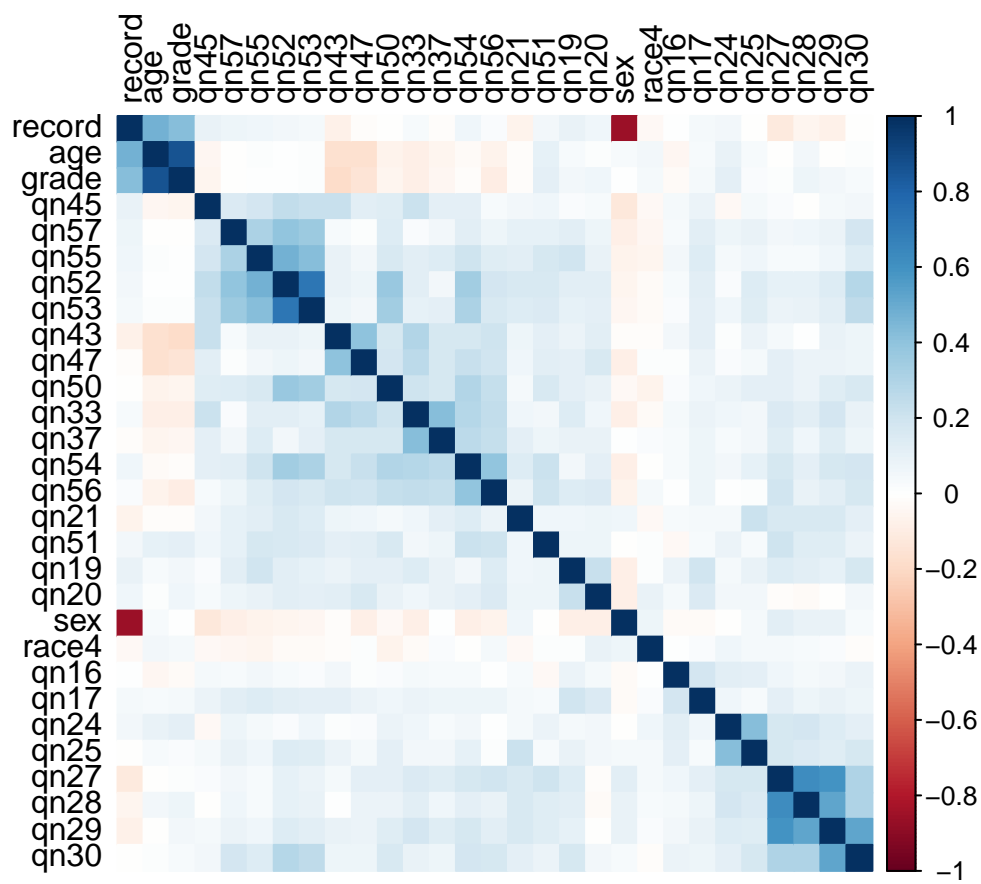


Figure 2: Spearman corrplot



Table 18: Encoded data sample

|    | victimization | substanceUse | suicideAttempt |
|----|---------------|--------------|----------------|
| 15 | 0             | 1            | 0              |
| 20 | 1             | 0            | 1              |
| 22 | 0             | 1            | 0              |
| 23 | 0             | 1            | 0              |
| 25 | 0             | 0            | 0              |

### 6.3.2 Convert Clean Data Into Transaction Format For Association Analysis (Aggregated columns).

Here the last step before implementing the model, aggregated columns here will be converted into a transactional form to apply apriori rules analysis.

- Summary:

Most frequent transactional items are the highest in SubstanceUse, Then victimization, And in Last suicide attempts.

```
## transactions as itemMatrix in sparse format with
## 672 rows (elements/itemsets/transactions) and
## 3 columns (items) and a density of 0.5128968
##
## most frequent items:
##   substanceUse  victimization suicideAttempt      (Other)
##           558           312           164           0
##
## element (itemset/transaction) length distribution:
## sizes
##   1  2  3
## 369 244 59
##
##   Min. 1st Qu.  Median    Mean 3rd Qu.    Max.
## 1.000  1.000   1.000   1.539   2.000   3.000
##
## includes extended item information - examples:
##           labels
## 1  substanceUse
## 2 suicideAttempt
## 3  victimization
##
## includes extended transaction information - examples:
##   transactionID
## 1      1115910
## 2      1115915
## 3      1115917
##
##           substanceUse suicideAttempt victimization
## substanceUse           558           114           226
## suicideAttempt           114           164            81
## victimization           226            81           312
```

### 6.3.3 Convert Clean Data Into Transaction Format For Association Analysis (non aggregated Columns, except demographics data).

Here will include all variables except demographics one, to see what are most frequent set.

- Summary:

Most frequent items are the student who smokes marijuana, then who drinks more than one time in the last 30 days, and last, are students who considered suicide.

```
## transactions as itemMatrix in sparse format with
## 672 rows (elements/itemsets/transactions) and
## 24 columns (items) and a density of 0.1229539
##
## most frequent items:
##      Marijuana1+      Drinks1+ ConsideredSuicide      MadeSuicidePlan
##           438           354           120           110
##           Builled      (Other)
##           94           867
##
## element (itemset/transaction) length distribution:
## sizes
##  1  2  3  4  5  6  7  8  9 10 12 13 20 24
## 200 165 119 71 31 34 21 15 9 1 1 3 1 1
##
##      Min. 1st Qu.  Median      Mean 3rd Qu.      Max.
##      1.000  1.000  2.000  2.951  4.000  24.000
##
## includes extended item information - examples:
##      labels
## 1 AttemptSuicide
## 2      Builled
## 3      Cocaine1+
##
## includes extended transaction information - examples:
##      transactionID
## 1      1115910
## 2      1115915
## 3      1115917
```

## 7 Modeling.

This section will implement the usage of several algorithms, on our dataset, for mining frequent itemsets apriori and Eclat algorithms will be used as a model to analyze our encoded transactional dataset as a part of our unsupervised learning section, apriori and Eclat are one of the most used algorithms to mine such a type of dataset to represent transactions lists and to filter closed and maximum item sets, the second part will go through a supervised learning model of decision tree to understand what influences suicide attempts as a target variable in dataset. models parameter will be set as the default settings.

### 7.1 Association Rules Algorithms (Apriori & Eclat).

#### 7.1.1 Generate Association Rules For All Itemsets Without Aggregation (Victimization, Substance & Suicide).

##### 7.1.1.1 Models Parameters.

```

## Eclat
##
## parameter specification:
## tidLists support minlen maxlen          target  ext
##      FALSE      0.1      2      10 frequent itemsets FALSE
##
## algorithmic control:
## sparse sort verbose
##      7   -2   TRUE
##
## Absolute minimum support count: 67
##
## create itemset ...
## set transactions ...[24 item(s), 672 transaction(s)] done [0.00s].
## sorting and recoding items ... [11 item(s)] done [0.00s].
## creating bit matrix ... [11 row(s), 672 column(s)] done [0.00s].
## writing ... [5 set(s)] done [0.00s].
## Creating S4 object ... done [0.00s].

## Apriori
##
## Parameter specification:
## confidence minval smax arem aval originalSupport maxtime support minlen
##           0.2    0.1    1 none FALSE             TRUE      5     0.1     2
## maxlen target  ext
##      10  rules FALSE
##
## Algorithmic control:
## filter tree heap memopt load sort verbose
##     0.1 TRUE TRUE  FALSE TRUE     2    TRUE
##
## Absolute minimum support count: 67
##
## set item appearances ...[0 item(s)] done [0.00s].
## set transactions ...[24 item(s), 672 transaction(s)] done [0.00s].
## sorting and recoding items ... [11 item(s)] done [0.00s].
## creating transaction tree ... done [0.00s].
## checking subsets of size 1 2 3 done [0.00s].
## writing ... [8 rule(s)] done [0.00s].
## creating S4 object ... done [0.00s].

```

### 7.1.1.2 Models Results.

#### 7.1.1.2.1 AprioriRules Model Results.

| ##     | lhs                 | rhs                    | support   | confidence |
|--------|---------------------|------------------------|-----------|------------|
| ## [1] | {SmokedMonth}       | => {Drinks1+}          | 0.1116071 | 0.8064516  |
| ## [2] | {SmokedMonth}       | => {Marijuana1+}       | 0.1205357 | 0.8709677  |
| ## [3] | {MadeSuicidePlan}   | => {ConsideredSuicide} | 0.1145833 | 0.7000000  |
| ## [4] | {ConsideredSuicide} | => {Marijuana1+}       | 0.1101190 | 0.6166667  |
| ## [5] | {Drinks1+}          | => {Marijuana1+}       | 0.3839286 | 0.7288136  |
| ##     | lift                | count                  |           |            |
| ## [1] | 1.5308912           | 75                     |           |            |
| ## [2] | 1.3362793           | 81                     |           |            |
| ## [3] | 3.9200000           | 77                     |           |            |

```
## [4] 0.9461187 74
## [5] 1.1181797 258
```

#### 7.1.1.2.2 Ecalt Model Results.

```
##      items                                support  count
## [1] {Marijuana1+,SmokedMonth}             0.1205357  81
## [2] {Drinks1+,SmokedMonth}                0.1116071  75
## [3] {ConsideredSuicide,MadeSuicidePlan}    0.1145833  77
## [4] {ConsideredSuicide,Marijuana1+}        0.1101190  74
## [5] {Drinks1+,Marijuana1+}                 0.3839286 258
```

#### 7.1.2 Generate For All Itemsets With Aggregation (Victimization,Substance & Suicide).

#### 7.1.3 Models Parameters.

```
## Eclat
##
## parameter specification:
## tidLists support minlen maxlen          target  ext
##   FALSE      0.1      2     10 frequent itemsets FALSE
##
## algorithmic control:
## sparse sort verbose
##      7    -2    TRUE
##
## Absolute minimum support count: 67
##
## create itemset ...
## set transactions ...[3 item(s), 672 transaction(s)] done [0.00s].
## sorting and recoding items ... [3 item(s)] done [0.00s].
## creating bit matrix ... [3 row(s), 672 column(s)] done [0.00s].
## writing ... [3 set(s)] done [0.00s].
## Creating S4 object ... done [0.00s].

## Apriori
##
## Parameter specification:
## confidence minval smax arem aval originalSupport maxtime support minlen
##      0.2    0.1    1 none FALSE                TRUE      5    0.1    2
## maxlen target  ext
##     10 rules FALSE
##
## Algorithmic control:
## filter tree heap memopt load sort verbose
##    0.1 TRUE TRUE  FALSE TRUE    2    TRUE
##
## Absolute minimum support count: 67
##
## set item appearances ...[0 item(s)] done [0.00s].
## set transactions ...[3 item(s), 672 transaction(s)] done [0.00s].
## sorting and recoding items ... [3 item(s)] done [0.00s].
## creating transaction tree ... done [0.00s].
## checking subsets of size 1 2 3 done [0.00s].
## writing ... [6 rule(s)] done [0.00s].
## creating S4 object ... done [0.00s].
```

#### 7.1.4 Models Results.

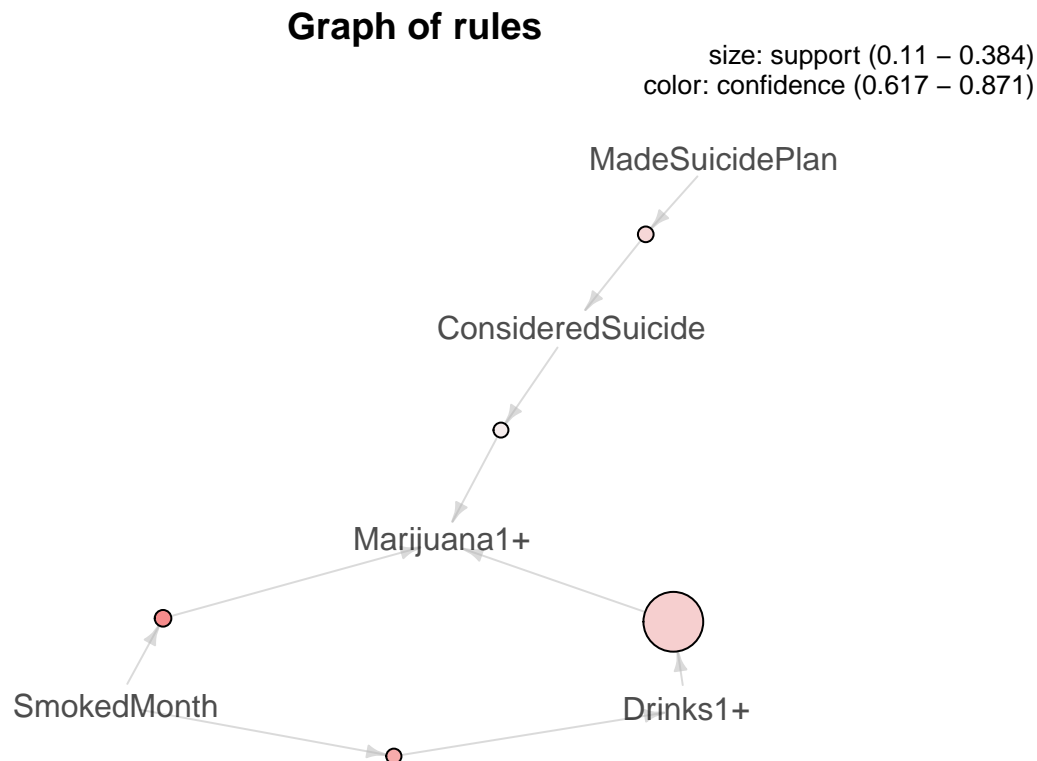
##### 7.1.4.0.1 AprioriRules Model Results.

```
##      lhs      rhs      support  confidence lift
## [1] {suicideAttempt} => {victimization} 0.1205357 0.4939024 1.0637899
## [2] {victimization} => {suicideAttempt} 0.1205357 0.2596154 1.0637899
## [3] {suicideAttempt} => {substanceUse} 0.1696429 0.6951220 0.8371361
## [4] {substanceUse} => {suicideAttempt} 0.1696429 0.2043011 0.8371361
## [5] {victimization} => {substanceUse} 0.3363095 0.7243590 0.8723463
## [6] {substanceUse} => {victimization} 0.3363095 0.4050179 0.8723463
##      count
## [1] 81
## [2] 81
## [3] 114
## [4] 114
## [5] 226
## [6] 226
```

##### 7.1.4.0.2 Ecalt Model Results.

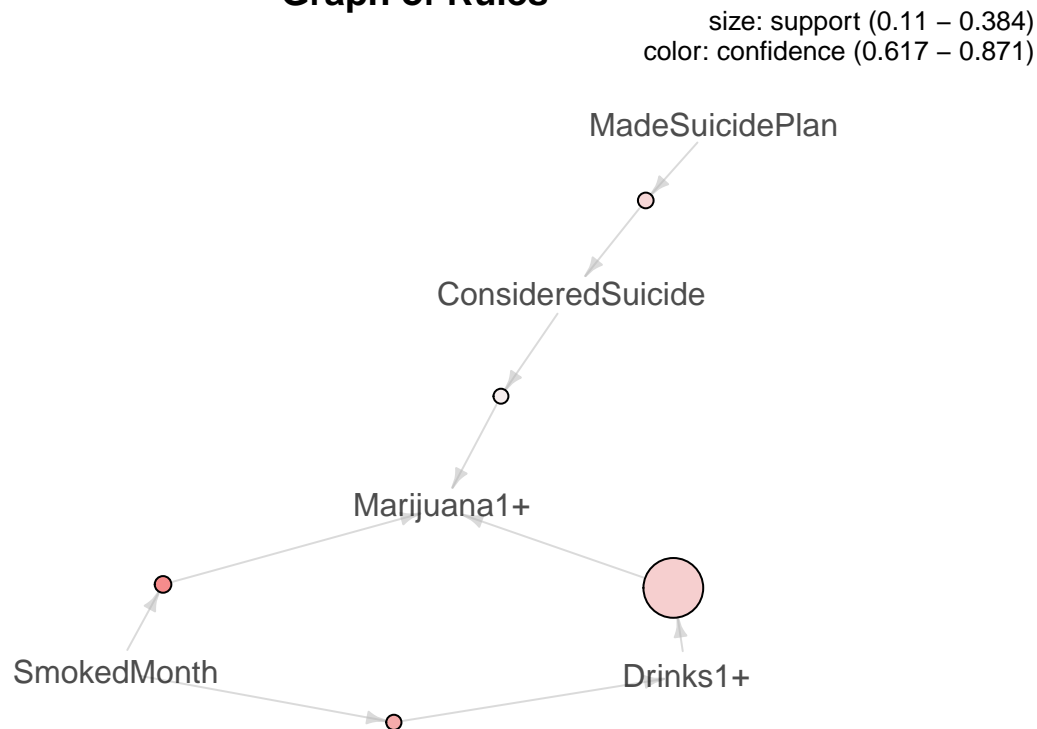
```
##      items      support  count
## [1] {substanceUse,suicideAttempt} 0.1696429 114
## [2] {suicideAttempt,victimization} 0.1205357 81
## [3] {substanceUse,victimization} 0.3363095 226
```

#### 7.1.5 Graphing The Strong Association Rules Without Aggregation(Victimization,Substance & Suicide).



### 7.1.6 Graphing The Strong Association Rules With Aggregation(Victimization,Substance & Suicide).

#### Graph of Rules



## 7.2 Decision Tree.

Here will apply decision tree algorithm to automatically segment the class grade and determine how well these derived groupings correspond to victimization and suicide attempt.

### 7.2.1 Viewing the structure of the observations for class grade and it's relation with victimization and suicide attempts.

Table 19: Structure of Decision Tree variables

| Grade         | substanceUse | victimization | suicideAttempt |
|---------------|--------------|---------------|----------------|
| Min. :1.000   | 0:376        | 0:622         | 0:770          |
| 1st Qu.:2.000 | 1:558        | 1:312         | 1:164          |
| Median :3.000 | NA           | NA            | NA             |
| Mean :2.715   | NA           | NA            | NA             |
| 3rd Qu.:4.000 | NA           | NA            | NA             |
| Max. :4.000   | NA           | NA            | NA             |

Table 20: sample of aggregated tree model

|    | Grade | substanceUse | victimization | suicideAttempt |
|----|-------|--------------|---------------|----------------|
| 15 | 2     | 1            | 0             | 0              |
| 20 | 1     | 0            | 1             | 1              |
| 22 | 1     | 1            | 0             | 0              |
| 23 | 1     | 1            | 0             | 0              |

|    | Grade | substanceUse | victimization | suicideAttempt |
|----|-------|--------------|---------------|----------------|
| 25 | 1     | 0            | 0             | 0              |
| 26 | 1     | 0            | 0             | 0              |
| 27 | 1     | 0            | 0             | 0              |
| 28 | 1     | 0            | 0             | 0              |
| 29 | 1     | 1            | 0             | 0              |
| 30 | 1     | 1            | 0             | 0              |

### 7.2.2 Create Train and Test Samples.

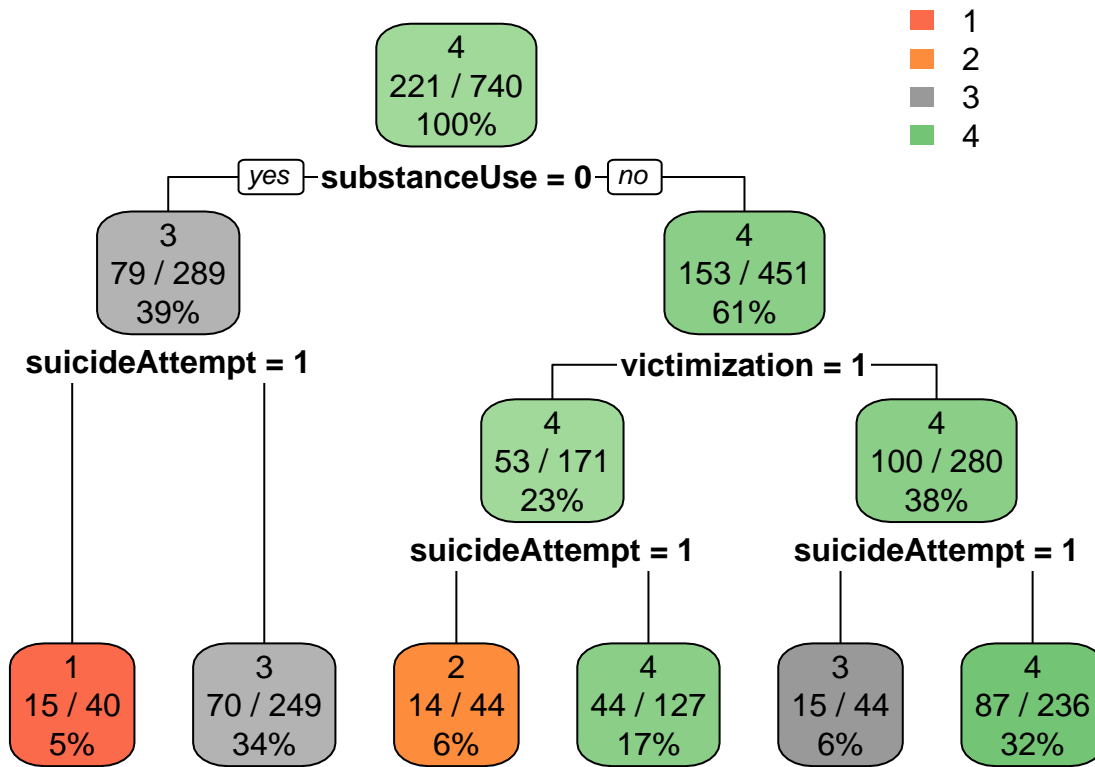
```
## [1] 740 4
```

```
## [1] 194 4
```

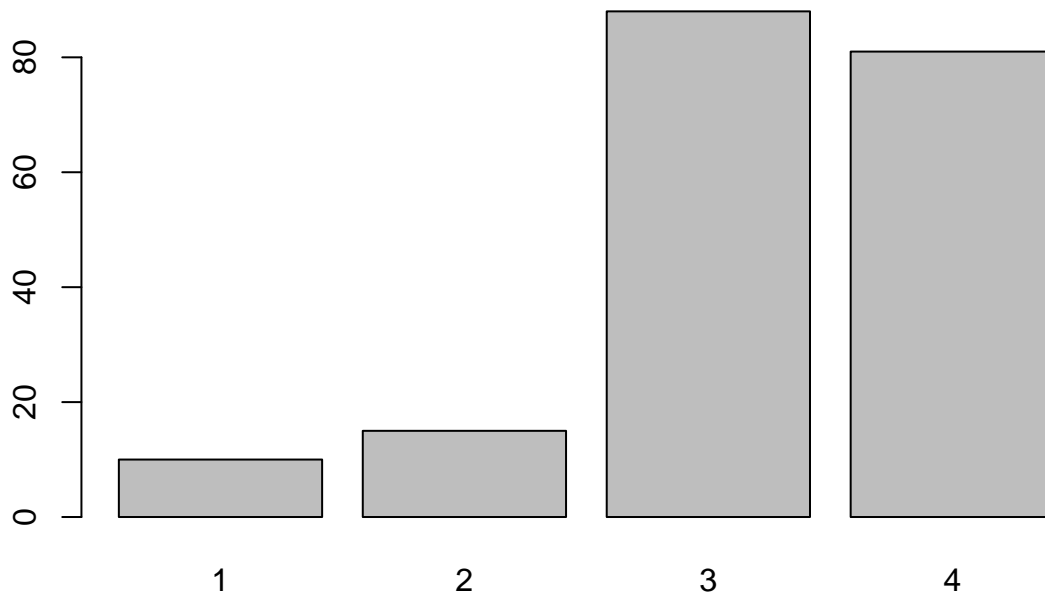
### 7.2.3 Create Model For Recursive Partitioning and Regression Tree.

```
## n= 740
##
## node), split, n, loss, yval, (yprob)
##      * denotes terminal node
##
## 1) root 740 519 4 (0.17432432 0.23648649 0.29054054 0.29864865)
##    2) substanceUse=0 289 210 3 (0.25605536 0.23529412 0.27335640 0.23529412)
##      4) suicideAttempt=1 40 25 1 (0.37500000 0.17500000 0.22500000 0.22500000) *
##      5) suicideAttempt=0 249 179 3 (0.23694779 0.24497992 0.28112450 0.23694779) *
##    3) substanceUse=1 451 298 4 (0.12195122 0.23725055 0.30155211 0.33924612)
##      6) victimization=1 171 118 4 (0.18128655 0.23976608 0.26900585 0.30994152)
##        12) suicideAttempt=1 44 30 2 (0.15909091 0.31818182 0.31818182 0.20454545) *
##        13) suicideAttempt=0 127 83 4 (0.18897638 0.21259843 0.25196850 0.34645669) *
##      7) victimization=0 280 180 4 (0.08571429 0.23571429 0.32142857 0.35714286)
##        14) suicideAttempt=1 44 29 3 (0.11363636 0.25000000 0.34090909 0.29545455) *
##        15) suicideAttempt=0 236 149 4 (0.08050847 0.23305085 0.31779661 0.36864407) *
```

### 7.2.4 Visualization Model Decision Tree Based On Training Data.



### 7.2.5 Creating A Prediction Model.



```
##      pModel
##      1  2  3  4
##  0   0  0 77 81
##  1 10 15 11  0
```



## 7.3 Create additional model based oneR.

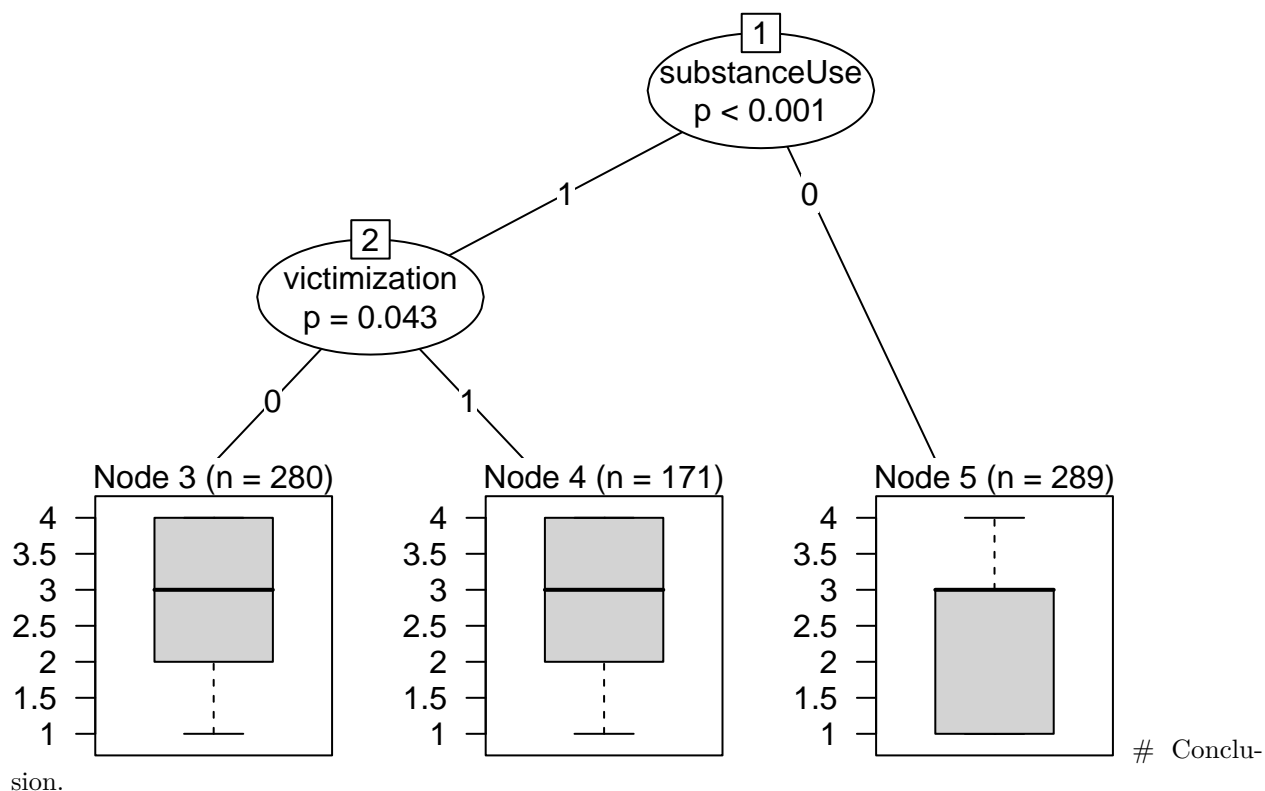
### 7.3.1 Model Summary.

```
##
##      Attribute      Accuracy
## 1 * substanceUse  31.35%
## 2  suicideAttempt 30.81%
## 3  victimization  30.27%
## ---
## Chosen attribute due to accuracy
## and ties method (if applicable): '*'

##
## Call:
## OneR.formula(formula = Grade ~ substanceUse + victimization +
##      suicideAttempt, data = trainData, verbose = TRUE)
##
## Rules:
## If substanceUse = 0 then Grade = 3
## If substanceUse = 1 then Grade = 4
##
## Accuracy:
## 232 of 740 instances classified correctly (31.35%)

##
## Call:
## OneR.formula(formula = Grade ~ substanceUse + victimization +
##      suicideAttempt, data = trainData, verbose = TRUE)
##
## Rules:
## If substanceUse = 0 then Grade = 3
## If substanceUse = 1 then Grade = 4
##
## Accuracy:
## 232 of 740 instances classified correctly (31.35%)
##
## Contingency table:
##      substanceUse
## Grade    0    1 Sum
##   1      74   55 129
##   2      68  107 175
##   3 *    79  136 215
##   4      68 * 153 221
##   Sum  289  451 740
## ---
## Maximum in each column: '*'
##
## Pearson's Chi-squared test:
## X-squared = 25.028, df = 3, p-value = 1.523e-05
```

### 7.3.2 Model Visualization.



In this project, we studied the Youth Health Risk Behavior using the Observational Data to examine the relations between victimization, substance use, and suicide attempt. We used the apriori algorithm to understand strong associations and built a decision tree to understand what influences suicide attempt. The results of this project tells us that adolescents who consider or attempt suicide tend to use substances. By assessing whether an adolescent was victimized and by looking at their sex, it is possible to predict if they are more likely to consider or attempt suicide. This type of analysis is very important from a medical point of view. It provides a data-supported backing of what doctors seem to already believe through experience. This also shows the importance of using machine learning techniques to answer key questions and find solutions in society. Overall, we were successful in identifying associations between victimization, substance use and suicide attempt. We can further improve this project by experimenting with other algorithms like logistic regression and random forest and by considering other types of groupings like race.

## 8 References.

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## 9 Appendices

### 9.0.1 Session Information.

Listing Machine that has been used for the project, operating system, R version, And used libraries with their versions for future reproducibility of the project.

**R version 3.6.0 (2019-04-26)**

**Platform:** x86\_64-apple-darwin15.6.0 (64-bit)

**locale:** en\_US.UTF-8|en\_US.UTF-8|en\_US.UTF-8|C|en\_US.UTF-8|en\_US.UTF-8

**attached base packages:** *stats4*, *grid*, *stats*, *graphics*, *grDevices*, *utils*, *datasets*, *methods* and *base*

**other attached packages:** *OneR*(v.2.2), *gridExtra*(v.2.3), *SmartEDA*(v.0.3.2), *DataExplorer*(v.0.8.0), *pander*(v.0.6.3), *corrplot*(v.0.84), *knitr*(v.1.23), *viridisLite*(v.0.3.0), *rpart.plot*(v.3.0.7), *rpart*(v.4.1-15), *party*(v.1.3-3), *strucchange*(v.1.5-1), *sandwich*(v.2.5-1), *zoo*(v.1.8-6), *modeltools*(v.0.2-22), *mvtnorm*(v.1.0-11), *ggrepel*(v.0.8.1), *data.table*(v.1.12.2), *arulesViz*(v.1.3-3), *arules*(v.1.6-3), *Matrix*(v.1.2-17), *forcats*(v.0.4.0), *stringr*(v.1.4.0), *dplyr*(v.0.8.1), *purrr*(v.0.3.2), *readr*(v.1.3.1), *tidyr*(v.0.8.3), *tibble*(v.2.1.3), *ggplot2*(v.3.1.1) and *tidyverse*(v.1.2.1)

**loaded via a namespace (and not attached):** *TH.data*(v.1.0-10), *colorspace*(v.1.4-1), *rstudioapi*(v.0.10), *DT*(v.0.6), *lubridate*(v.1.7.4), *coin*(v.1.3-0), *xml2*(v.1.2.0), *codetools*(v.0.2-16), *splines*(v.3.6.0), *libcoin*(v.1.0-4), *jsonlite*(v.1.6), *broom*(v.0.5.2), *cluster*(v.2.0.8), *compiler*(v.3.6.0), *httr*(v.1.4.0), *sampling*(v.2.8), *backports*(v.1.1.4), *assertthat*(v.0.2.1), *lazyeval*(v.0.2.2), *cli*(v.1.1.0), *visNetwork*(v.2.0.7), *htmltools*(v.0.3.6), *tools*(v.3.6.0), *igraph*(v.1.2.4.1), *gtable*(v.0.3.0), *glue*(v.1.3.1), *Rcpp*(v.1.0.1), *cellranger*(v.1.1.0), *gdata*(v.2.18.0), *nlme*(v.3.1-139), *iterators*(v.1.0.10), *lmtest*(v.0.9-37), *xfun*(v.0.7), *networkD3*(v.0.4), *rvest*(v.0.3.4), *lpSolve*(v.5.6.13.3), *gtools*(v.3.8.1), *dendextend*(v.1.12.0), *MASS*(v.7.3-51.4), *scales*(v.1.0.0), *TSP*(v.1.1-7), *hms*(v.0.4.2), *parallel*(v.3.6.0), *RColorBrewer*(v.1.1-2), *yaml*(v.2.2.0), *reshape*(v.0.8.8), *stringi*(v.1.4.3), *highr*(v.0.8), *gclus*(v.1.3.2), *foreach*(v.1.4.4), *seriation*(v.1.2-6), *caTools*(v.1.17.1.2), *rlang*(v.0.4.0), *pkgconfig*(v.2.0.2), *matrixStats*(v.0.54.0), *bitops*(v.1.0-6), *evaluate*(v.0.14), *lattice*(v.0.20-38), *htmlwidgets*(v.1.3), *labeling*(v.0.3), *tidyselect*(v.0.2.5), *GGally*(v.1.4.0), *plyr*(v.1.8.4), *magrittr*(v.1.5), *R6*(v.2.4.0), *gplots*(v.3.0.1.1), *generics*(v.0.0.2), *multcomp*(v.1.4-10), *pillar*(v.1.4.1), *haven*(v.2.1.0), *withr*(v.2.1.2), *survival*(v.2.44-1.1), *scatterplot3d*(v.0.3-41), *modelr*(v.0.1.4), *crayon*(v.1.3.4), *KernSmooth*(v.2.23-15), *plotly*(v.4.9.0), *rmarkdown*(v.1.13), *viridis*(v.0.5.1), *readxl*(v.1.3.1), *vcd*(v.1.4-4), *digest*(v.0.6.19), *munsell*(v.0.5.0) and *registry*(v.0.5-1)