

Web Scraping II

### Recap of Web Scraping I



- Final 3 Data Frames From Last Tutorial Should All Be Saved to CSV's on PC
  - FINAL VIOLENT.CSV
  - FINAL\_ZIP.CSV
  - FINAL\_STATE\_ABBREV.CSV
- Think About What Other City Information Could Potentially Be a Factor in Violent Crimes
- Think About What Other City Information Could Potentially Be Influenced by the Prevalence of Violent Crimes

### Tutorial 8 Introduction



- Step 1: Open Tutorial 8
- Step 2: Ensure You Have the Following R Packages Installed
  - tidyverse
  - rvest (Requires Internet)
- Step 3: Switch Knitter
- Step 4: Read the Introduction

# Part 1: Connection to Population Change and Density



#### Step 1: Select the Link and Observe the Following Table

Rank	Name	State	2019 Population ▼	2016 Population	2010 Census	Change	2019 Density ☰
1	New York	New York	8,601,186	8,537,673	8,175,133	0.25%	11,056/km²
2	Los Angeles	California	4,057,841	3,976,322	3,792,621	0.67%	3,343/km²
3	Chicago	Illinois	2,679,044	2,704,958	2,695,598	-0.32%	4,550/km²
4	Houston	Texas	2,359,480	2,303,482	2,099,451	0.80%	1,431/km²
5	Phoenix	Arizona	1,711,356	1,615,017	1,445,632	1.91%	1,276/km <sup>2</sup>
6	Philadelphia	Pennsylvania	1,576,596	1,567,872	1,526,006	0.18%	4,537/km²

- Step 2: Questions?
  - What is the Connection to Violent Crimes?
  - How is this Useful When Related to Violent Crimes?

# Part 1: Connection to Population Change and Density



- Step 3: Run Chunk 1
  - What is required to convert the Percentage Change to a numeric variable?
  - What is required to convert the 2019 Density to a numeric variable?
- Step 4: Run Chunk 2
  - Notice: /.\*
- Step 5: No-Knitter



- Step 1: Selector Gadget Website
  - Open Source
  - Chrome Extension Exists
  - Easy: Drag Link to Bookmark
     Bar as Webpage Explains



- Step 2: Observe the Article on 2018's Safest and Most Dangerous States
  - What info could be of use?
  - Do you agree identification?



#### Step 3: Information of Interest

#### Safe vs Dangerous

- 1. Vermont
- 2. Maine
- 3. Minnesota
- 4. Utah
- 5. New Hampshire
- 6. Connecticut
- 7. Rhode Island
- 8. Hawaii
- 9. Massachusetts
- 10. Washington

- Mississippi
- 2. Louisiana
- 3. Oklahoma
- 4. Texas
- 5. Florida
- 6. Arkansas
- 7. Alabama
- 8. Missouri
- 9. Alaska
- 10. South Carolina

Goal: Scrape this Information into Vectors in R to Create a Table



- Step 4: Identifying CSS Selector
  - Go to Web Page
- ① https://www.securitysales.com/fire-intrusion/2018-safest-most-dangerous-states-us/
  - Choose SelectorGadget in Bookmark Tab

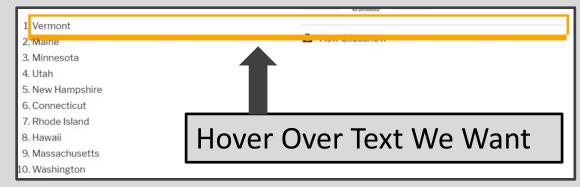


Locate This Box





- Step 4: Continued
  - Find Content You Want



 Point and Click to Select Info

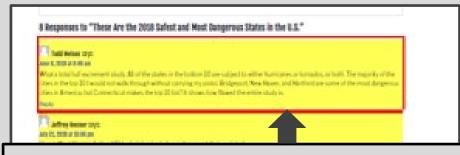
 Info We Want is Highlighted

 Info We Don't Want, As Well





- Step 4: Continued
  - Find Content You Don't Want



Hover Over Text We Don't Want

- Point and Clicks to Deselect
- Locate This Box





- Step 4: Continued
  - Locate This Box

```
#articleContentWrapper li Clear (20) Toggle Position XPath Help X
```

- Copy CSS Selector "#articleContentWrapper li"
- Step 5: Run Chunk 1

```
SAFE_VS_DANGEROUS = URL.SAFE_VS_DANGEROUS %>%

read_html() %>%

html_nodes(css="#articleContentWrapper li") %>%

html_text()
```

- Step 6: Run Chunk 2
  - What About the Other States?
- Step 7: Walk-off Knit

Closing



## Disperse and Make Reasonable Decisions