

NYPD

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```
# Libraries
library(tidyverse)
```

```
## Warning: package 'ggplot2' was built under R version 4.4.2
```

```
## -- Attaching core tidyverse packages ----- tidyverse 2.0.0 --
## v dplyr      1.1.4      v readr      2.1.5
## v forcats    1.0.0      v stringr    1.5.1
## v ggplot2    3.5.1      v tibble     3.2.1
## v lubridate  1.9.3      v tidyr      1.3.1
## v purrr      1.0.2
```

```
## -- Conflicts ----- tidyverse_conflicts() --
```

```
## x dplyr::filter() masks stats::filter()
```

```
## x dplyr::lag()     masks stats::lag()
```

```
## i Use the conflicted package (<http://conflicted.r-lib.org/>) to force all conflicts to become errors
```

```
library(lubridate)
library(dplyr)
library(ggplot2)
library(xgboost)
```

```
## Warning: package 'xgboost' was built under R version 4.4.3
```

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##
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```
## Attaching package: 'xgboost'
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##
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```
## The following object is masked from 'package:dplyr':
```

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```
##      slice
```

```
library(caret)
```

```
## Loading required package: lattice
```

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##
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```
## Attaching package: 'caret'
```

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##
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```
## The following object is masked from 'package:purrr':
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##
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```
##      lift
```

Introduction

The data contains NYPD shooting historical data

The task is to evaluate the data to see if we can identify any associations between fatal shootings and time of day, date, borough, or sex

Import the Data

```
# Import data
data = read.csv("C:\\Users\\User\\Desktop\\DS as a field\\NYPD_Shooting_Incident_Data_Historic_.csv")
```

```
# Create a quick summary of the data
summary(data)
```

```
##  INCIDENT_KEY      OCCUR_DATE      OCCUR_TIME      BORO
##  Min.   : 9953245    Length:28562    Length:28562    Length:28562
##  1st Qu.: 65439914   Class :character Class :character Class :character
##  Median : 92711254   Mode  :character Mode  :character Mode  :character
##  Mean    :127405824
##  3rd Qu.:203131993
##  Max.    :279758069
##
##  LOC_OF_OCCUR_DESC  PRECINCT      JURISDICTION_CODE LOC_CLASSFCTN_DESC
##  Length:28562      Min.   : 1.0    Min.   :0.0000    Length:28562
##  Class :character  1st Qu.: 44.0   1st Qu.:0.0000    Class :character
##  Mode  :character  Median : 67.0   Median :0.0000    Mode  :character
##                      Mean  : 65.5    Mean  :0.3219
##                      3rd Qu.: 81.0   3rd Qu.:0.0000
##                      Max.   :123.0   Max.   :2.0000
##                      NA's    :2
##  LOCATION_DESC      STATISTICAL_MURDER_FLAG PERP_AGE_GROUP
##  Length:28562      Mode :logical    Length:28562
##  Class :character  FALSE:23036      Class :character
##  Mode  :character  TRUE :5526       Mode  :character
##
##
##
##  PERP_SEX      PERP_RACE      VIC_AGE_GROUP      VIC_SEX
##  Length:28562  Length:28562      Length:28562      Length:28562
##  Class :character Class :character  Class :character  Class :character
##  Mode  :character Mode  :character  Mode  :character  Mode  :character
##
##
##
##  VIC_RACE      X_COORD_CD      Y_COORD_CD      Latitude
##  Length:28562  Min.   : 914928   Min.   :125757    Min.   :40.51
##  Class :character 1st Qu.:1000068   1st Qu.:182912    1st Qu.:40.67
##  Mode  :character Median :1007772    Median :194901    Median :40.70
```

```
##           Mean    :1009424   Mean    :208380   Mean    :40.74
##           3rd Qu.:1016807   3rd Qu.:239814   3rd Qu.:40.82
##           Max.    :1066815   Max.    :271128   Max.    :40.91
##                                     NA's    :59
##   Longitude      Lon_Lat
##   Min.    : -74.25   Length:28562
##   1st Qu.: -73.94   Class :character
##   Median : -73.92   Mode  :character
##   Mean    : -73.91
##   3rd Qu.: -73.88
##   Max.    : -73.70
##   NA's    : 59
```

Data Preparation and Transformation

There are data and time columns that are character values. This needs to be string values.

```
# Change date and time from chr to a string and creates a new combined column
data$OCCUR_DATE = as.Date(data$OCCUR_DATE, format = "%m/%d/%Y")
data$DATETIME = as.POSIXct(paste(data$OCCUR_DATE, data$OCCUR_TIME),
                             format = "%Y-%m-%d %H:%M:%S")
# Move DATETIME to the front by reordering all columns
data = data[, c("DATETIME", setdiff(names(data), "DATETIME"))]

# Remove the original data and time columns
data$OCCUR_DATE = NULL
data$OCCUR_TIME = NULL
```

Preparation: Evaluate the missing data

```
# Total missing
sum(is.na(data))
```

```
## [1] 120
```

```
# Missing by column
colSums(is.na(data))
```

```
##           DATETIME           INCIDENT_KEY           BORO
##           0              0              0
##   LOC_OF_OCCUR_DESC      PRECINCT  JURISDICTION_CODE
##           0              0              2
##   LOC_CLASSFCTN_DESC    LOCATION_DESC STATISTICAL_MURDER_FLAG
##           0              0              0
##   PERP_AGE_GROUP        PERP_SEX        PERP_RACE
##           0              0              0
##   VIC_AGE_GROUP        VIC_SEX        VIC_RACE
```

```
##          0          0          0
##      X_COORD_CD      Y_COORD_CD      Latitude
##          0          0          59
##      Longitude      Lon_Lat
##          59          0
```

```
# Percent missing
missing_percent = colMeans(is.na(data)) * 100
print(missing_percent)
```

```
##      DATETIME      INCIDENT_KEY      BORO
##      0.000000000      0.000000000      0.000000000
##      LOC_OF_OCCUR_DESC      PRECINCT      JURISDICTION_CODE
##      0.000000000      0.000000000      0.007002311
##      LOC_CLASSFCTN_DESC      LOCATION_DESC      STATISTICAL_MURDER_FLAG
##      0.000000000      0.000000000      0.000000000
##      PERP_AGE_GROUP      PERP_SEX      PERP_RACE
##      0.000000000      0.000000000      0.000000000
##      VIC_AGE_GROUP      VIC_SEX      VIC_RACE
##      0.000000000      0.000000000      0.000000000
##      X_COORD_CD      Y_COORD_CD      Latitude
##      0.000000000      0.000000000      0.206568167
##      Longitude      Lon_Lat
##      0.206568167      0.000000000
```

Some of the columns have about 21% of missing data. The ways to handle this would be to impute the data. With this much missing data, this could introduce bias. Imputation would work better with continuous variables. The best way to handle this data would be to remove the missing data. If we remove the rows with the missing data, we will remove 61 rows, 0.21% of the data, preserving 99.79% of the data.

Preparation: Remove Missing Data

```
# remove the rows with na
data_clean = na.omit(data)
```

```
summary(data_clean)
```

```
##      DATETIME      INCIDENT_KEY      BORO
##      Min. :2006-01-01 02:00:00.00      Min. : 9953245      Length:28501
##      1st Qu.:2009-08-31 00:50:00.00      1st Qu.: 65276038      Class :character
##      Median :2013-09-09 05:26:00.00      Median : 92550741      Mode  :character
##      Mean   :2014-06-01 03:12:59.67      Mean   :127118170
##      3rd Qu.:2019-09-16 00:20:00.00      3rd Qu.:202504685
##      Max.   :2023-12-29 21:22:00.00      Max.   :279758069
##      LOC_OF_OCCUR_DESC      PRECINCT      JURISDICTION_CODE      LOC_CLASSFCTN_DESC
##      Length:28501      Min. : 1.0      Min. :0.0000      Length:28501
##      Class :character      1st Qu.: 44.0      1st Qu.:0.0000      Class :character
##      Mode  :character      Median : 67.0      Median :0.0000      Mode  :character
##      Mean   : 65.5      Mean   :0.3225
##      3rd Qu.: 81.0      3rd Qu.:0.0000
```

```
##          Max.      :123.0   Max.      :2.0000
## LOCATION_DESC      STATISTICAL_MURDER_FLAG PERP_AGE_GROUP
## Length:28501      Mode :logical      Length:28501
## Class :character   FALSE:22979      Class :character
## Mode :character    TRUE :5522       Mode :character
##
##
## PERP_SEX          PERP_RACE          VIC_AGE_GROUP          VIC_SEX
## Length:28501      Length:28501      Length:28501      Length:28501
## Class :character   Class :character   Class :character   Class :character
## Mode :character    Mode :character    Mode :character    Mode :character
##
##
## VIC_RACE          X_COORD_CD          Y_COORD_CD          Latitude
## Length:28501      Min.      : 914928   Min.      :125757   Min.      :40.51
## Class :character   1st Qu.:1000068   1st Qu.:182905   1st Qu.:40.67
## Mode :character    Median :1007776   Median :194872   Median :40.70
##                    Mean   :1009438   Mean   :208375   Mean   :40.74
##                    3rd Qu.:1016807   3rd Qu.:239814   3rd Qu.:40.82
##                    Max.    :1066815   Max.    :271128   Max.    :40.91
## Longitude          Lon_Lat
## Min.      :-74.25   Length:28501
## 1st Qu.: -73.94   Class :character
## Median : -73.92   Mode :character
## Mean   : -73.91
## 3rd Qu.: -73.88
## Max.    : -73.70
```

```
# Add year column
data_clean$year = year(data_clean$DATETIME)

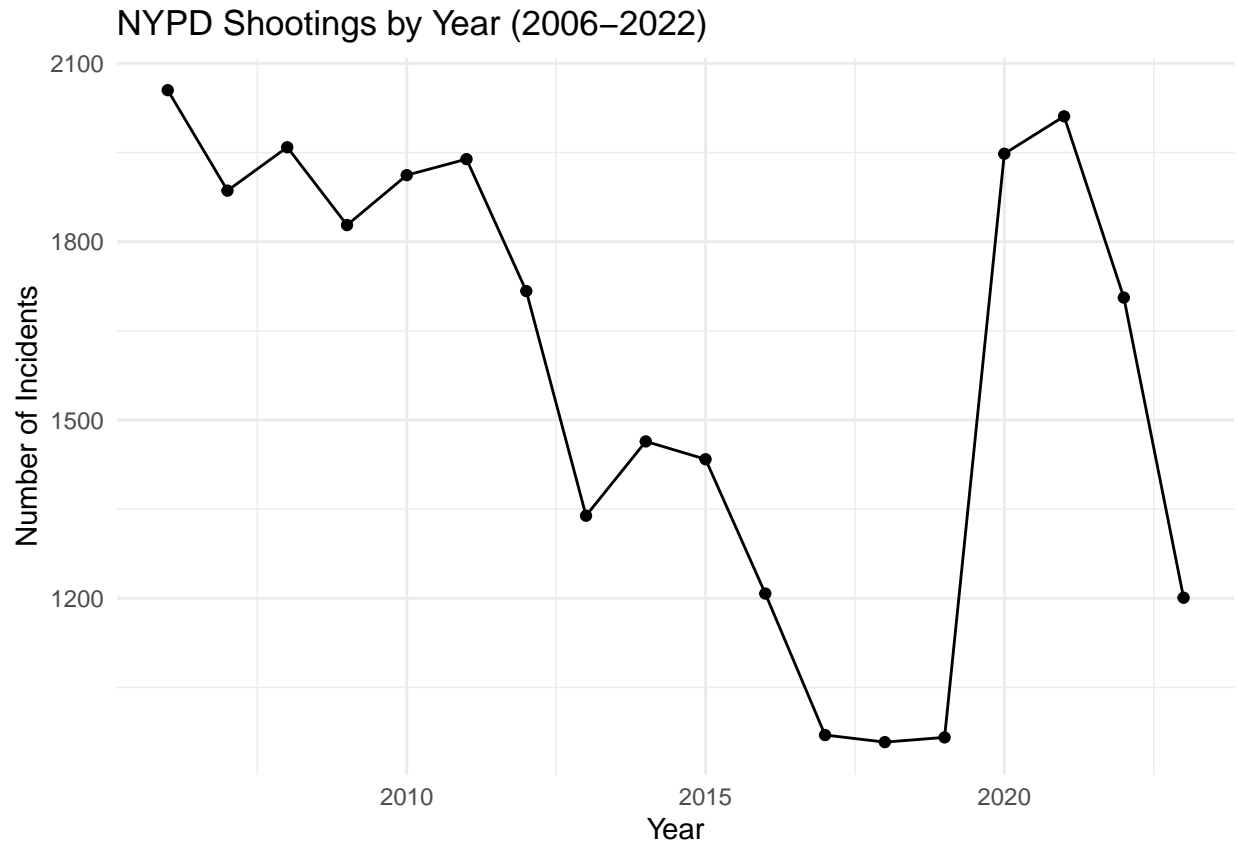
# quick check to ensure it worked
head(data_clean[, c("DATETIME", "year")])
```

```
##          DATETIME year
## 1 2021-08-09 01:06:00 2021
## 2 2018-04-07 19:48:00 2018
## 3 2022-12-02 22:57:00 2022
## 4 2006-11-19 01:50:00 2006
## 5 2010-05-09 01:58:00 2010
## 6 2012-07-22 21:35:00 2012
```

Exploratory Data Analysis

```
# Summarize shootings by year
trends = data_clean %>%
  group_by(year) %>%
  summarise(n_shootings = n())
```

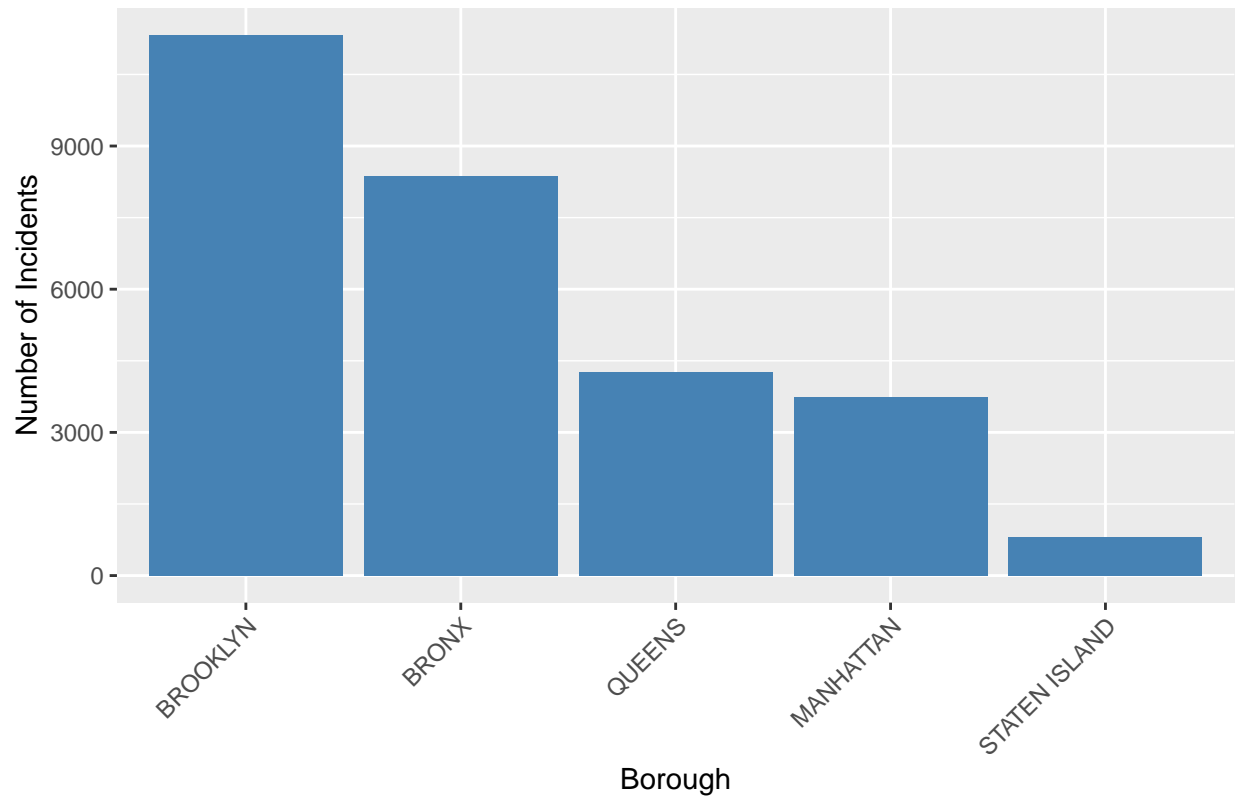
```
# Plot
ggplot(trends, aes(x = year, y = n_shootings)) +
  geom_line() + geom_point() +
  labs(title = "NYPD Shootings by Year (2006-2022)",
       x = "Year",
       y = "Number of Incidents") +
  theme_minimal()
```



```
# Summarize by borough
boro_trends = data_clean %>%
  group_by(BORO) %>%
  summarise(n_shootings = n())

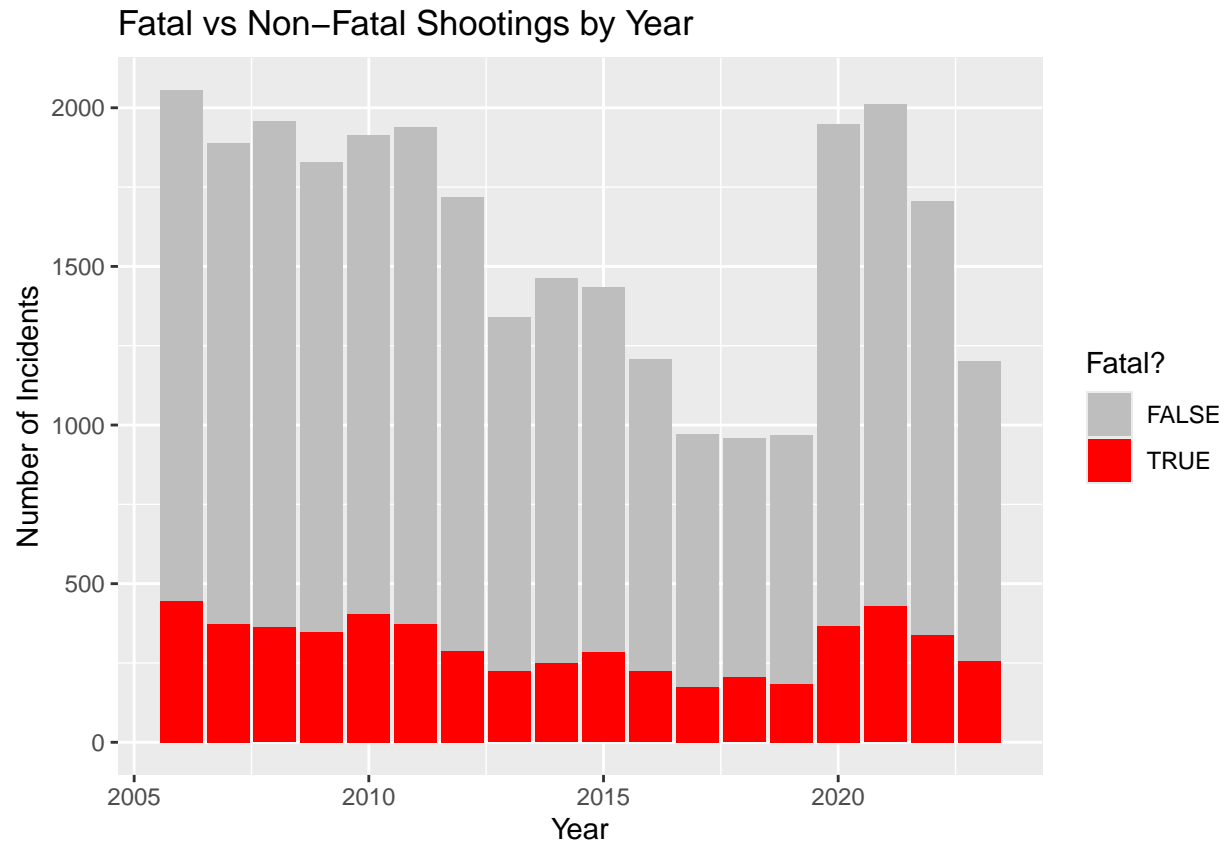
# Bar plot
ggplot(boro_trends, aes(x = reorder(BORO, -n_shootings), y = n_shootings)) +
  geom_bar(stat = "identity", fill = "steelblue") +
  labs(title = "NYPD Shootings by Borough",
       x = "Borough",
       y = "Number of Incidents") +
  theme(axis.text.x = element_text(angle = 45, hjust = 1))
```

NYPD Shootings by Borough



```
# Summarize fatalities by year
fatality_trends = data_clean %>%
  group_by(year, STATISTICAL_MURDER_FLAG) %>%
  summarise(n = n(), .groups = "drop")

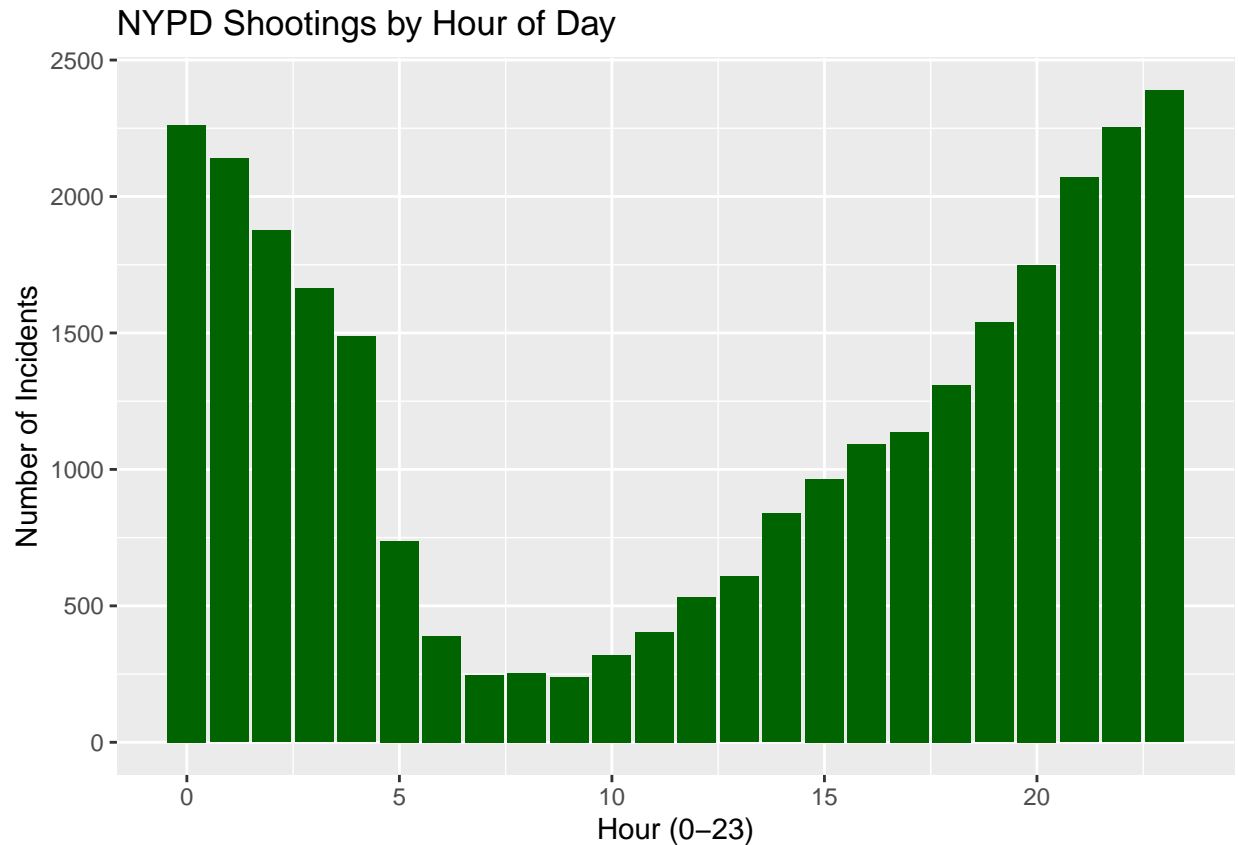
# Plot
ggplot(fatality_trends, aes(x = year, y = n, fill = STATISTICAL_MURDER_FLAG)) +
  geom_bar(stat = "identity", position = "stack") +
  labs(title = "Fatal vs Non-Fatal Shootings by Year",
       x = "Year",
       y = "Number of Incidents",
       fill = "Fatal?") +
  scale_fill_manual(values = c("grey", "red"))
```



```
# Hour
data_clean$hour = hour(data_clean$DATETIME)

# Summarize by hour
hourly = data_clean %>%
  group_by(hour) %>%
  summarise(n_shootings = n())

# Plot
ggplot(hourly, aes(x = hour, y = n_shootings)) +
  geom_bar(stat = "identity", fill = "darkgreen") +
  labs(title = "NYPD Shootings by Hour of Day",
       x = "Hour (0-23)",
       y = "Number of Incidents")
```

Data Modeling

```
# Regression: Predict fatality bases on year, borough
set.seed(123)
trainIndex = createDataPartition(data_clean$STATISTICAL_MURDER_FLAG, p = 0.8, list = FALSE)
train_data = data_clean[trainIndex, ]

model = glm(STATISTICAL_MURDER_FLAG ~ year + I(year^2) + BORO + VIC_AGE_GROUP +
             PERP_AGE_GROUP + JURISDICTION_CODE,
             family = "binomial", data = train_data)
summary(model)
```

##

Call:

```
## glm(formula = STATISTICAL_MURDER_FLAG ~ year + I(year^2) + BORO +
##     VIC_AGE_GROUP + PERP_AGE_GROUP + JURISDICTION_CODE, family = "binomial",
##     data = train_data)
```

##

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	z value	Pr(> z)
## (Intercept)	2.703e+04	3.178e+03	8.508	< 2e-16 ***
## year	-2.681e+01	3.155e+00	-8.499	< 2e-16 ***
## I(year^2)	6.648e-03	7.831e-04	8.489	< 2e-16 ***
## BOROBROOKLYN	3.237e-02	4.184e-02	0.774	0.43907
## BOROMANHATTAN	-1.598e-01	5.850e-02	-2.731	0.00631 **
## BOROQUEENS	-7.929e-04	5.430e-02	-0.015	0.98835
## BOROSTATEN ISLAND	-5.839e-02	1.054e-01	-0.554	0.57972

```
## VIC_AGE_GROUP1022      -9.622e+00  1.970e+02  -0.049  0.96104
## VIC_AGE_GROUP18-24     3.491e-01  7.059e-02   4.946  7.58e-07 ***
## VIC_AGE_GROUP25-44     6.066e-01  6.956e-02   8.721  < 2e-16 ***
## VIC_AGE_GROUP45-64     6.566e-01  8.920e-02   7.361  1.83e-13 ***
## VIC_AGE_GROUP65+       1.091e+00  1.858e-01   5.876  4.21e-09 ***
## VIC_AGE_GROUPUNKNOWN   2.204e-01  3.485e-01   0.632  0.52718
## PERP_AGE_GROUP(null)  -3.459e-01  1.087e-01  -3.182  0.00146 **
## PERP_AGE_GROUP<18      4.261e-02  7.955e-02   0.536  0.59226
## PERP_AGE_GROUP1020    -9.886e+00  1.970e+02  -0.050  0.95997
## PERP_AGE_GROUP18-24    1.196e-01  4.745e-02   2.520  0.01173 *
## PERP_AGE_GROUP224     -1.011e+01  1.970e+02  -0.051  0.95907
## PERP_AGE_GROUP25-44    3.537e-01  4.632e-02   7.636  2.25e-14 ***
## PERP_AGE_GROUP45-64    7.612e-01  9.791e-02   7.774  7.58e-15 ***
## PERP_AGE_GROUP65+      6.341e-01  3.040e-01   2.086  0.03697 *
## PERP_AGE_GROUP940     -1.019e+01  1.970e+02  -0.052  0.95872
## PERP_AGE_GROUPUNKNOWN  -2.055e+00  1.121e-01 -18.335  < 2e-16 ***
## JURISDICTION_CODE     -1.036e-01  2.479e-02  -4.178  2.94e-05 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## (Dispersion parameter for binomial family taken to be 1)
##
##      Null deviance: 22420  on 22801  degrees of freedom
## Residual deviance: 21322  on 22778  degrees of freedom
## AIC: 21370
##
## Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 10
```

```
# Machine Learning: XGBoost
# Prepare data: Convert categorical variables to factors
train_data = data_clean[trainIndex, ]
data_clean$VIC_SEX = as.factor(data_clean$VIC_SEX)
data_clean$PERP_AGE_GROUP = as.factor(data_clean$PERP_AGE_GROUP)
data_clean$PERP_SEX = as.factor(data_clean$PERP_SEX)
data_clean$JURISDICTION_CODE = as.factor(data_clean$JURISDICTION_CODE)

# Convert STATISTICAL_MURDER_FLAG to 0/1 (already verified)
data_clean$STATISTICAL_MURDER_FLAG = as.numeric(data_clean$STATISTICAL_MURDER_FLAG)

# Create train-test split
set.seed(123)
trainIndex = createDataPartition(data_clean$STATISTICAL_MURDER_FLAG, p = 0.8, list = FALSE)
train_data = data_clean[trainIndex, ]
test_data = data_clean[-trainIndex, ]

# Combine data to ensure consistent dummy variables
combined_data = rbind(train_data[, c("year", "BORO", "hour", "VIC_AGE_GROUP", "VIC_SEX",
                                     "PERP_AGE_GROUP", "JURISDICTION_CODE")],
                      test_data[, c("year", "BORO", "hour", "VIC_AGE_GROUP", "VIC_SEX",
                                    "PERP_AGE_GROUP", "JURISDICTION_CODE")])
combined_matrix = model.matrix(~ . - 1, data = combined_data)

# Split back into train and test matrices
train_matrix = combined_matrix[1:nrow(train_data), ]
```

```
test_matrix = combined_matrix[(nrow(train_data) + 1):nrow(combined_matrix), ]

# Prepare XGBoost data
dtrain = xgb.DMatrix(data = train_matrix, label = train_data$STATISTICAL_MURDER_FLAG)
dtest = xgb.DMatrix(data = test_matrix, label = test_data$STATISTICAL_MURDER_FLAG)

# Set class weights to handle imbalance
scale_pos_weight = sum(train_data$STATISTICAL_MURDER_FLAG == 0) / sum(train_data$STATISTICAL_MURDER_FLAG == 1)
print(paste("Scale pos weight:", scale_pos_weight))
```

```
## [1] "Scale pos weight: 4.14579101782893"
```

```
# Define parameters
params <- list(
  objective = "binary:logistic",
  eval_metric = "logloss",
  eta = 0.3,
  max_depth = 6,
  subsample = 0.8,
  colsample_bytree = 0.8
)

# Train the model with early stopping
xgb_model = xgb.train(
  params = params,
  data = dtrain,
  nrounds = 100,
  watchlist = list(train = dtrain, test = dtest),
  scale_pos_weight = scale_pos_weight,
  early_stopping_rounds = 10,
  verbose = 1
)
```

```
## [1] train-logloss:0.675733 test-logloss:0.678883
## Multiple eval metrics are present. Will use test_logloss for early stopping.
## Will train until test_logloss hasn't improved in 10 rounds.
##
## [2] train-logloss:0.666825 test-logloss:0.671584
## [3] train-logloss:0.654770 test-logloss:0.662192
## [4] train-logloss:0.652059 test-logloss:0.661748
## [5] train-logloss:0.644174 test-logloss:0.656148
## [6] train-logloss:0.636689 test-logloss:0.650073
## [7] train-logloss:0.634146 test-logloss:0.648824
## [8] train-logloss:0.630032 test-logloss:0.646163
## [9] train-logloss:0.628750 test-logloss:0.646424
## [10] train-logloss:0.626646 test-logloss:0.646427
## [11] train-logloss:0.624879 test-logloss:0.645863
## [12] train-logloss:0.622302 test-logloss:0.644709
## [13] train-logloss:0.620850 test-logloss:0.644638
## [14] train-logloss:0.619872 test-logloss:0.644812
## [15] train-logloss:0.618211 test-logloss:0.643833
## [16] train-logloss:0.614812 test-logloss:0.640925
## [17] train-logloss:0.613929 test-logloss:0.641387
```

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## [18] train-logloss:0.610917 test-logloss:0.639666
## [19] train-logloss:0.608302 test-logloss:0.638213
## [20] train-logloss:0.606756 test-logloss:0.637423
## [21] train-logloss:0.603591 test-logloss:0.635507
## [22] train-logloss:0.601887 test-logloss:0.635161
## [23] train-logloss:0.601174 test-logloss:0.635130
## [24] train-logloss:0.600230 test-logloss:0.635185
## [25] train-logloss:0.599589 test-logloss:0.635208
## [26] train-logloss:0.598014 test-logloss:0.634963
## [27] train-logloss:0.596615 test-logloss:0.633659
## [28] train-logloss:0.595588 test-logloss:0.633168
## [29] train-logloss:0.594380 test-logloss:0.633148
## [30] train-logloss:0.592612 test-logloss:0.632398
## [31] train-logloss:0.590773 test-logloss:0.631041
## [32] train-logloss:0.590598 test-logloss:0.631496
## [33] train-logloss:0.590248 test-logloss:0.631868
## [34] train-logloss:0.588931 test-logloss:0.631134
## [35] train-logloss:0.588333 test-logloss:0.631221
## [36] train-logloss:0.586298 test-logloss:0.630685
## [37] train-logloss:0.586877 test-logloss:0.631991
## [38] train-logloss:0.586585 test-logloss:0.632616
## [39] train-logloss:0.585317 test-logloss:0.632325
## [40] train-logloss:0.581430 test-logloss:0.629156
## [41] train-logloss:0.580470 test-logloss:0.629077
## [42] train-logloss:0.579305 test-logloss:0.629814
## [43] train-logloss:0.578079 test-logloss:0.628993
## [44] train-logloss:0.578260 test-logloss:0.629783
## [45] train-logloss:0.576872 test-logloss:0.629240
## [46] train-logloss:0.574644 test-logloss:0.628255
## [47] train-logloss:0.573067 test-logloss:0.628077
## [48] train-logloss:0.571003 test-logloss:0.626830
## [49] train-logloss:0.570043 test-logloss:0.626442
## [50] train-logloss:0.569036 test-logloss:0.625966
## [51] train-logloss:0.568005 test-logloss:0.625625
## [52] train-logloss:0.567050 test-logloss:0.625382
## [53] train-logloss:0.566667 test-logloss:0.624970
## [54] train-logloss:0.565393 test-logloss:0.624880
## [55] train-logloss:0.565330 test-logloss:0.625965
## [56] train-logloss:0.565997 test-logloss:0.627305
## [57] train-logloss:0.565371 test-logloss:0.627062
## [58] train-logloss:0.564129 test-logloss:0.626424
## [59] train-logloss:0.562979 test-logloss:0.626637
## [60] train-logloss:0.560940 test-logloss:0.626579
## [61] train-logloss:0.561075 test-logloss:0.627239
## [62] train-logloss:0.559041 test-logloss:0.625905
## [63] train-logloss:0.559803 test-logloss:0.627883
## [64] train-logloss:0.557904 test-logloss:0.626666
## Stopping. Best iteration:
## [54] train-logloss:0.565393 test-logloss:0.624880

```

```

# Predict on test set
test_data$pred = predict(xgb_model, dtest)
test_data$pred_class = ifelse(test_data$pred > 0.5, 1, 0) # Default threshold

```

```
# Confusion matrix
confusionMatrix(as.factor(test_data$pred_class), as.factor(test_data$STATISTICAL_MURDER_FLAG), positive
```

```
## Confusion Matrix and Statistics
##
##           Reference
## Prediction    0    1
##           0 2869  423
##           1 1740  668
##
##           Accuracy : 0.6205
##           95% CI : (0.6078, 0.6331)
##           No Information Rate : 0.8086
##           P-Value [Acc > NIR] : 1
##
##           Kappa : 0.1607
##
## Mcnemar's Test P-Value : <2e-16
##
##           Sensitivity : 0.6123
##           Specificity : 0.6225
##           Pos Pred Value : 0.2774
##           Neg Pred Value : 0.8715
##           Prevalence : 0.1914
##           Detection Rate : 0.1172
##           Detection Prevalence : 0.4225
##           Balanced Accuracy : 0.6174
##
##           'Positive' Class : 1
##
```

```
xgb_cv = xgb.cv(
  params = params,
  data = dtrain,
  nrounds = 100,
  nfold = 5,
  scale_pos_weight = scale_pos_weight,
  early_stopping_rounds = 10,
  verbose = 1
)
```

```
## [1] train-logloss:0.668044+0.001271 test-logloss:0.669759+0.001842
## Multiple eval metrics are present. Will use test_logloss for early stopping.
## Will train until test_logloss hasn't improved in 10 rounds.
##
## [2] train-logloss:0.656160+0.002206 test-logloss:0.659499+0.002007
## [3] train-logloss:0.648392+0.002358 test-logloss:0.653640+0.002866
## [4] train-logloss:0.642394+0.002561 test-logloss:0.649482+0.003611
## [5] train-logloss:0.638391+0.002112 test-logloss:0.646977+0.003799
## [6] train-logloss:0.633263+0.002071 test-logloss:0.643629+0.002946
## [7] train-logloss:0.629940+0.003612 test-logloss:0.641498+0.003004
## [8] train-logloss:0.626769+0.003096 test-logloss:0.639906+0.002636
## [9] train-logloss:0.623367+0.003259 test-logloss:0.637887+0.003139
```

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## [10] train-logloss:0.620890+0.003104 test-logloss:0.636729+0.003846
## [11] train-logloss:0.618382+0.003402 test-logloss:0.635410+0.004266
## [12] train-logloss:0.616184+0.003616 test-logloss:0.634769+0.004460
## [13] train-logloss:0.614724+0.003046 test-logloss:0.634595+0.003337
## [14] train-logloss:0.612282+0.002641 test-logloss:0.633887+0.002970
## [15] train-logloss:0.610081+0.001703 test-logloss:0.633028+0.002987
## [16] train-logloss:0.607991+0.002176 test-logloss:0.631922+0.002867
## [17] train-logloss:0.605720+0.001852 test-logloss:0.630864+0.002859
## [18] train-logloss:0.603041+0.001857 test-logloss:0.629891+0.002547
## [19] train-logloss:0.601431+0.002516 test-logloss:0.629614+0.002770
## [20] train-logloss:0.599424+0.002737 test-logloss:0.629382+0.003005
## [21] train-logloss:0.597792+0.003035 test-logloss:0.629544+0.003264
## [22] train-logloss:0.595692+0.002640 test-logloss:0.629355+0.002820
## [23] train-logloss:0.593089+0.001920 test-logloss:0.627489+0.002719
## [24] train-logloss:0.592062+0.001762 test-logloss:0.627672+0.002597
## [25] train-logloss:0.591125+0.001751 test-logloss:0.627878+0.003224
## [26] train-logloss:0.589927+0.001427 test-logloss:0.627966+0.003205
## [27] train-logloss:0.587796+0.001709 test-logloss:0.627086+0.003390
## [28] train-logloss:0.586005+0.001579 test-logloss:0.627118+0.003706
## [29] train-logloss:0.584566+0.001916 test-logloss:0.626834+0.003696
## [30] train-logloss:0.582939+0.002019 test-logloss:0.625986+0.004375
## [31] train-logloss:0.582247+0.002455 test-logloss:0.626060+0.004400
## [32] train-logloss:0.581209+0.001998 test-logloss:0.626450+0.004391
## [33] train-logloss:0.579136+0.002502 test-logloss:0.626063+0.004201
## [34] train-logloss:0.577199+0.002116 test-logloss:0.625375+0.004161
## [35] train-logloss:0.575747+0.001841 test-logloss:0.625332+0.004220
## [36] train-logloss:0.574503+0.001322 test-logloss:0.625573+0.003986
## [37] train-logloss:0.573527+0.001497 test-logloss:0.625484+0.003558
## [38] train-logloss:0.572612+0.001168 test-logloss:0.625742+0.003585
## [39] train-logloss:0.571610+0.001361 test-logloss:0.625815+0.003312
## [40] train-logloss:0.569853+0.000704 test-logloss:0.625258+0.004068
## [41] train-logloss:0.568360+0.000989 test-logloss:0.624659+0.004004
## [42] train-logloss:0.567782+0.001089 test-logloss:0.625038+0.004062
## [43] train-logloss:0.566235+0.001148 test-logloss:0.624512+0.004135
## [44] train-logloss:0.565375+0.001334 test-logloss:0.624911+0.005173
## [45] train-logloss:0.564384+0.000564 test-logloss:0.624873+0.004531
## [46] train-logloss:0.563677+0.000790 test-logloss:0.624867+0.004030
## [47] train-logloss:0.563176+0.001387 test-logloss:0.625502+0.004465
## [48] train-logloss:0.561248+0.001534 test-logloss:0.624508+0.004498
## [49] train-logloss:0.559601+0.001193 test-logloss:0.623822+0.003966
## [50] train-logloss:0.558677+0.001485 test-logloss:0.623492+0.004381
## [51] train-logloss:0.558061+0.001399 test-logloss:0.623512+0.004196
## [52] train-logloss:0.557339+0.001272 test-logloss:0.623654+0.004868
## [53] train-logloss:0.556575+0.000941 test-logloss:0.624089+0.004199
## [54] train-logloss:0.555600+0.001010 test-logloss:0.624110+0.004338
## [55] train-logloss:0.554251+0.001792 test-logloss:0.623352+0.004719
## [56] train-logloss:0.553375+0.001549 test-logloss:0.623244+0.004801
## [57] train-logloss:0.552733+0.001228 test-logloss:0.623312+0.004516
## [58] train-logloss:0.551936+0.002220 test-logloss:0.623331+0.004313
## [59] train-logloss:0.550993+0.002247 test-logloss:0.623405+0.004640
## [60] train-logloss:0.549735+0.002291 test-logloss:0.623323+0.003872
## [61] train-logloss:0.548272+0.002006 test-logloss:0.623056+0.004569
## [62] train-logloss:0.547648+0.001801 test-logloss:0.623353+0.004885
## [63] train-logloss:0.546388+0.001518 test-logloss:0.622785+0.005293
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## [64] train-logloss:0.545435+0.001121 test-logloss:0.622778+0.005185
## [65] train-logloss:0.545094+0.001057 test-logloss:0.622979+0.005550
## [66] train-logloss:0.543879+0.000529 test-logloss:0.622625+0.005689
## [67] train-logloss:0.543174+0.000806 test-logloss:0.622629+0.004535
## [68] train-logloss:0.542574+0.001254 test-logloss:0.622679+0.004470
## [69] train-logloss:0.541529+0.001191 test-logloss:0.622590+0.004379
## [70] train-logloss:0.540091+0.000720 test-logloss:0.621949+0.005168
## [71] train-logloss:0.539424+0.000904 test-logloss:0.622382+0.004806
## [72] train-logloss:0.538602+0.001036 test-logloss:0.622434+0.004818
## [73] train-logloss:0.537959+0.000973 test-logloss:0.622402+0.005060
## [74] train-logloss:0.537524+0.000721 test-logloss:0.623007+0.005579
## [75] train-logloss:0.537346+0.000859 test-logloss:0.623456+0.006187
## [76] train-logloss:0.536427+0.001192 test-logloss:0.623523+0.006885
## [77] train-logloss:0.535418+0.001567 test-logloss:0.623329+0.007434
## [78] train-logloss:0.534305+0.001283 test-logloss:0.623099+0.006967
## [79] train-logloss:0.533654+0.001335 test-logloss:0.622985+0.006618
## [80] train-logloss:0.532632+0.000926 test-logloss:0.622388+0.006014
## Stopping. Best iteration:
## [70] train-logloss:0.540091+0.000720 test-logloss:0.621949+0.005168

```

Evaluate / Interpret

NYPD Shootings by Borough

Brooklyn: exceeds 9,000 incidents, Bronx: around 7,000-8,000 incidents, Queens: around 4,000-5,000 incidents, Manhattan: around 3,000-4,000 incidents, Staten Island: below 2,000 incidents.

Brooklyn and Bronx together account for the majority of shootings. Brooklyn and Bronx have larger populations, which might contribute to higher incident counts. Staten Island's low count could indicate safer conditions or fewer reported incidents, possibly due to its smaller size

Limitations: The chart shows total incidents over the dataset's timeframe (2006-2022). It doesn't account for population density or time trends.

Fatal vs Non-Fatal Shootings by Year

2006-2009: fatal shootings around 500-600 per year, 2010-2016: fatal shootings 200-300 per year, 2017-2020: fatal shootings 400-500, 2021-2022: fatal shooting around 400.

Fatal shootings consistently make up a smaller portion of total incidents, roughly 20-30% each year. The proportion of fatal shootings appears relatively stable over time, despite fluctuations in total incidents.

Limitations: While the stacked bars show raw counts, the proportion of fatal shootings isn't immediately clear

NYPD Shootings by Hour of Day

0-3 AM: 2000-2500 incidents, 4-7 AM: 500 incidents, 8 AM - noon: 1000-1500 incidents, noon-5 PM: 1500 incidents, 6PM-11PM: 2000-2500 incidents.

The majority of shootings occur during nighttime and early morning hours, with the lowest activity during the early morning (4-7 AM), likely corresponding to lower population activity. The two peaks (0-3 AM and 8-11 PM) suggest times of higher social activity or vulnerability, possibly linked to nightlife, late-night gatherings, or reduced visibility/policing.

Limitations: The chart shows total incidents but doesn't differentiate by factors like borough, fatality, or day of the week, which could provide deeper insights

Logistic Regression

Age Effect: Older victims (65+) are 3.18 times more likely to die, possibly due to physical vulnerability or delayed medical response. Time Trend: The U-shaped trend (lowest ~2014-2015) suggests external factors (e.g., policing, social unrest) influenced fatality rates post-2015. Manhattan Advantage: Manhattan's lower fatality odds may reflect better access to emergency services.

Summary

The evaluation of the NYPD Shooting Data visualizations reveals distinct patterns across the three charts. For NYPD Shootings by Borough, Brooklyn exceeds 9,000 incidents, followed by Bronx with 7,000-8,000, Queens with 4,000-5,000, Manhattan with 3,000-4,000, and Staten Island below 2,000. Brooklyn and Bronx together account for the majority of shootings, likely influenced by their larger populations, while Staten Island's low count may indicate safer conditions or fewer reported incidents, possibly due to its smaller size. However, the chart, covering total incidents from 2006 to 2022, does not account for population density or time trends, limiting its depth.

For Fatal vs Non-Fatal Shootings by Year, fatal shootings range from 500-600 per year in 2006-2009, drop to 200-300 in 2010-2016, rise to 400-500 in 2017-2020, and stabilize around 400 in 2021-2022, consistently making up 20-30% of total incidents with a stable proportion despite fluctuations. The limitation here is that raw counts obscure exact proportions, and the inclusion of 2005 data may be incomplete.

Lastly, NYPD Shootings by Hour of Day shows peaks of 2,000-2,500 incidents at 0-3 AM and 6-11 PM, a dip to around 500 incidents at 4-7 AM, and 1,000-1,500 incidents midday, with nighttime peaks suggesting higher social activity or vulnerability and the low morning activity aligning with reduced population presence. The chart's limitation is its lack of differentiation by borough, fatality, or day of week, which could provide deeper insights.

Of note, the machine learnign prediction did not significantly improve the model over linear regression models.

Potential biases include population bias where higher counts in Brooklyn and Bronx may reflect population size rather than crime rate per capita, reporting bias where lower counts in Staten Island could result from underreporting or fewer police resources, and geographic bias where urban density differences are not normalized in the borough analysis. For fatal vs. non-fatal shootings, there may be data collection bias from variations in medical response or reporting standards affecting fatality classification, temporal bias from aggregated data masking yearly shifts like the 2020 COVID impact, and definition bias where the “fatal” definition may vary and skew trends. In the hourly analysis, activity bias may overrepresent nightlife areas at 0-3 AM and 8-11 PM while underrepresenting daytime crime, reporting bias might lower 4-7 AM counts due to fewer witnesses or patrols, and temporal aggregation bias averages over 2006-2022, ignoring seasonal or yearly variations like post-2020 changes. Overall, the data aggregation across long periods, absence of normalization, and lack of socioeconomic or policing context introduce potential confounding biases that could be mitigated with per-capita adjustments, faceting by additional factors, and validation with external data.