Exploratory Data Analysis- Stanford Open Policing

Data on Traffic and Pedestrian Stops by Police in Rhode Island

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Introduction

- This is a dataset on Traffic and Pedestrian Stops by Police in Rhode Island
- This project is made for practicing exploratory data analysis by using pandas in Python
- In this project, I am going to answer the following 5 questions:
 - 1. Do men or women speed more often?
 - 2. Does gender affect who gets a ticket for speeding?
 - 3. Does gender affect whose vehicle is searched?
 - 4. Are drug-related stops on the rise?
 - 5. Which year had the least number of stops?

Dataset

- The data is downloaded from Kaggle
- Data source: https://www.kaggle.com/faressayah/stanford-open-policing-project

Police_project.csv

91741 rows, 15 columns

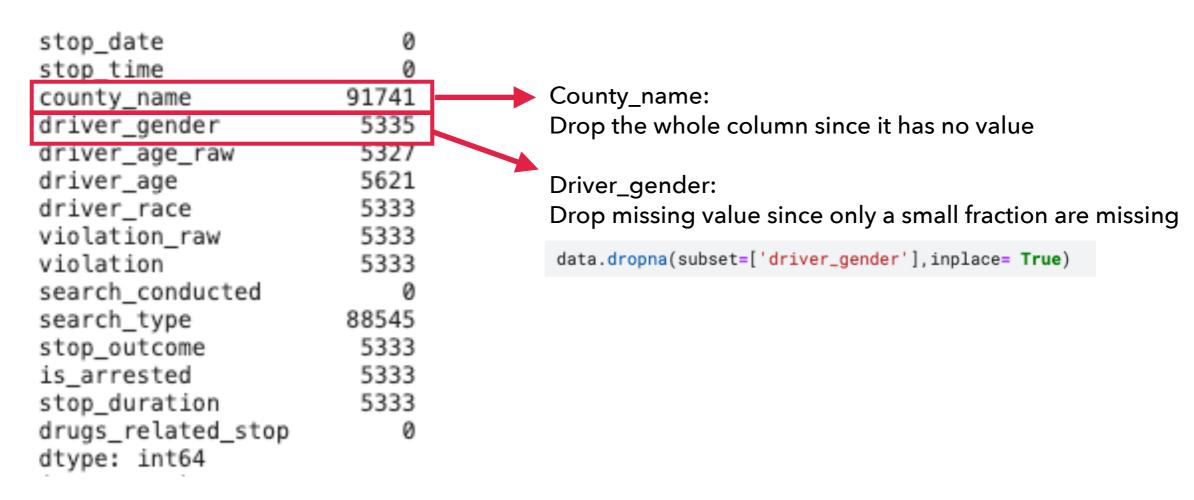
Column Names:

stop_date, stop_time, county_name, driver_gender, driver_age_raw, driver_age, driver_race, violation_raw, violation, search_conducted, search_type, stop_outcome, is_arrested, stop_duration, drugs_related_stop

	stop_date	stop_time	county_name	driver_gender	driver_age_raw	driver_age	driver_race	violation_raw	violation	search_conducted	search_type	stop_outcome	is_arrested	stop_duration	drugs_related_stop
0 2	2005-01-02	01:55	NaN	М	1985.0	20.0	White	Speeding	Speeding	False	NaN	Citation	False	0-15 Min	False
1 2	2005-01-18	08:15	NeN	М	1955.0	40.0	White	Speeding	Speeding	False	NaN	Citation	False	0-15 Min	Fal3e
2 2	2005-01-23	28:15	NaN	М	1972.0	33.0	White	Speeding	Speeding	False	NaN	Citation	False	0-15 Min	False
3 2	005-02-20	17:16	NaN	М	1986.0	19.0	White	Call for Service	Other	False	NaN	Arrest Driver	True	16-30 Min	False
4 2	2005-03-14	10:00	NaN	F	1984.0	21.0	White	Speeding	Speeding	False	NaN	Citation	False	0-15 Min	False

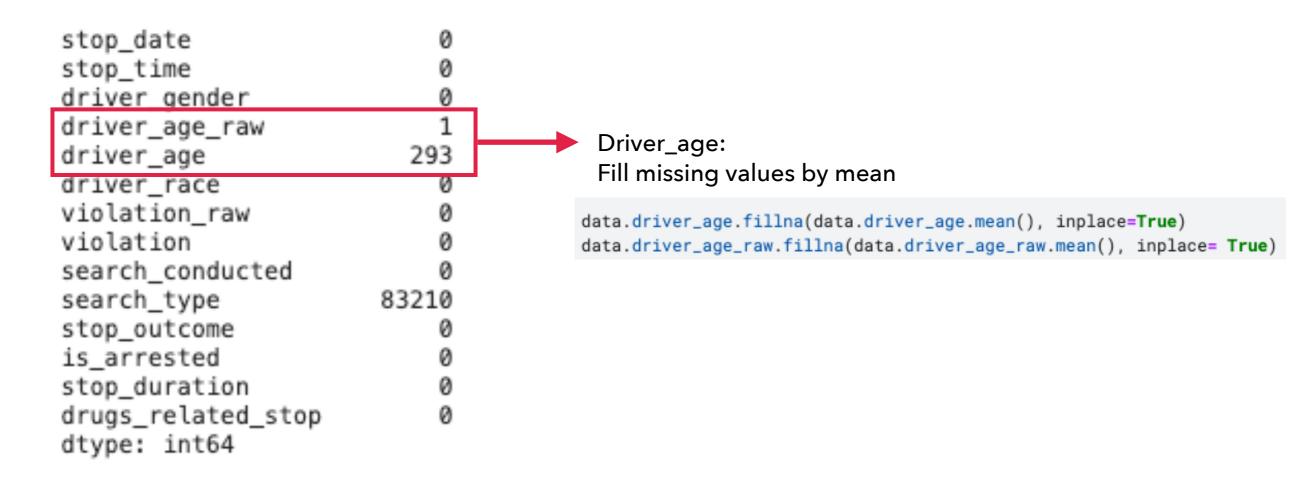
Dealing with missing values

Missing values in the data:

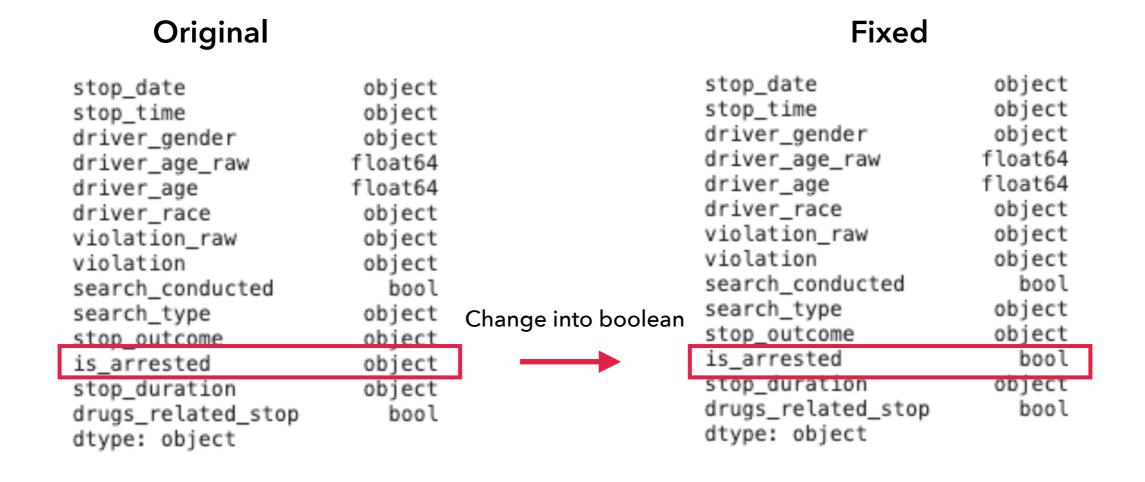


Dealing with missing values

Missing values in the data:



Fix data type



Create a date-time index

- Combine stop_date and stop_time into one column
- Convert it to the date-time format
- Set it as index

	stop_date	stop_time
0	2005-01-02	01:55
1	2005-01-18	08:15
2	2005-01-23	23:15
3	2005-02-20	17:15
4	2005-03-14	10:00

Result:

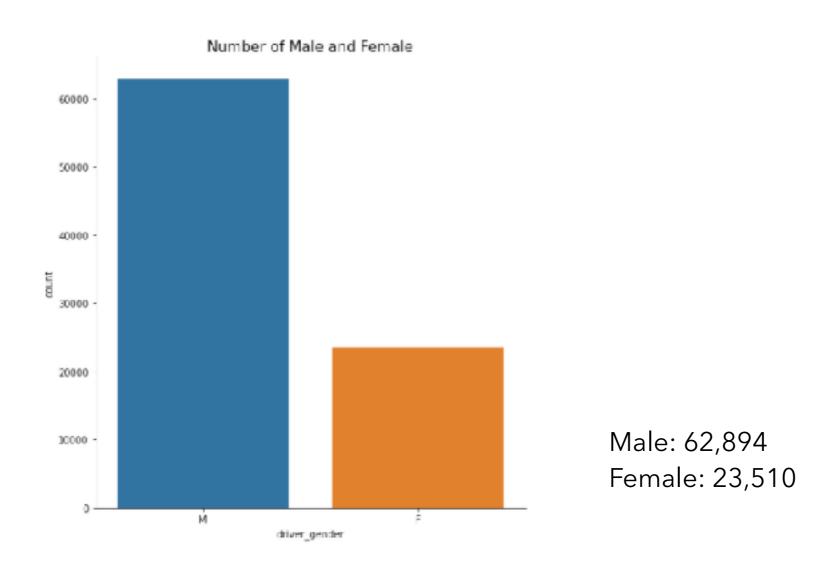
View the ETL Result

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<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
DatetimeIndex: 86406 entries, 2005-01-02 01:55:00 to 2015-12-31 22:46:00
Data columns (total 12 columns):
    Column
                        Non-Null Count Dtype
                        86406 non-null object
    driver gender
    driver_age_raw
                        86406 non-null float64
                     86406 non-null float64
    driver_age
    driver_race
                     86406 non-null object
    violation_raw 86406 non-null object
violation 86406 non-null object
    search conducted 86406 non-null bool
                    3196 non-null
    search_type
                                        object
    stop_outcome
                      86406 non-null object
    is arrested
                        86406 non-null bool
10 stop_duration
                        86406 non-null object
11 drugs related stop 86406 non-null bool
dtypes: bool(3), float64(2), object(7)
memory usage: 6.8+ MB
None
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- ✓ No missing value or duplicates
- ✓ Correct data type
- ✓ Date-time index

Q1. Do men or women speed more often?

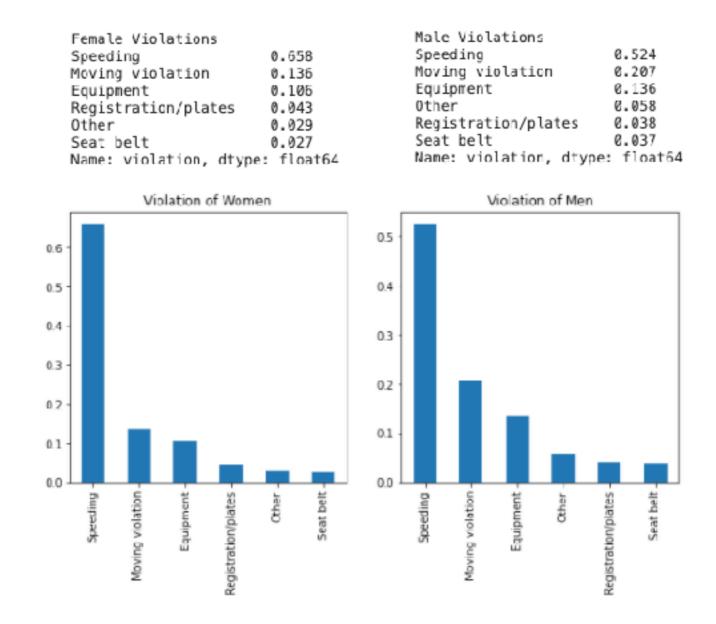
Compute the numbers of male and female:



Responding to this question, there is a non-equalivent distribution of male and female, so we should use fraction in order to take this into account.

Q1. Do men or women speed more often?

Compute the violations by different genders as proportions:



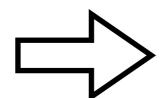
About 2/3 of female traffic stops are for speeding, whereas for males is about half, but we can't conclude that females speed more often than males since we didn't take into account the number of stops or drivers.

Q2. Does gender affect who gets a ticket for speeding?

Compute the stop outcome by different genders as proportions:

Male Stop		
Citation	0.946	
Warning	0.035	
Arrest Driver	0.015	
Arrest Passenger	0.001	
No Action	0.001	
N/D	0.001	
Name: stop_outcome,	dtype:	float64

Female Stop
Citation 9.526e-01
Warning 3.992e-02
Arrest Driver 5.361e-03
Arrest Passenger 8.397e-04
N/D 8.397e-04
No Action 4.521e-04
Name: stop_outcome, dtype: float64



Male: 0.946

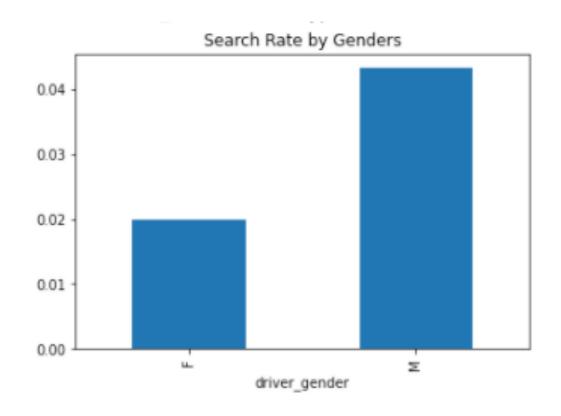
Female: 0.953

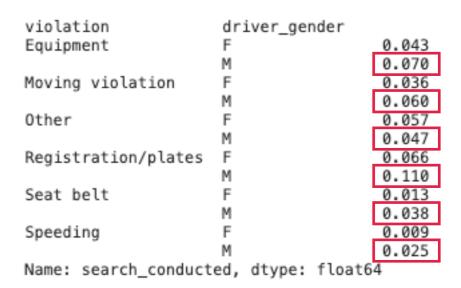
The numbers are similar for males and females: about 95% stops for speeding result in a ticket. The data doesn't show that gender has an impact on who gets a ticket for speeding.

Q3. Does gender affect whose vehicle is searched?

Compute the search rate by different genders and violation types:

```
driver_gender
F 0.020
M 0.043
Name: search_conducted, dtype: float64
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It is shown that male drivers are searched more than twice as often as female drivers. (4% and 2% respectively.) Males are searched more than women in different type of violations.

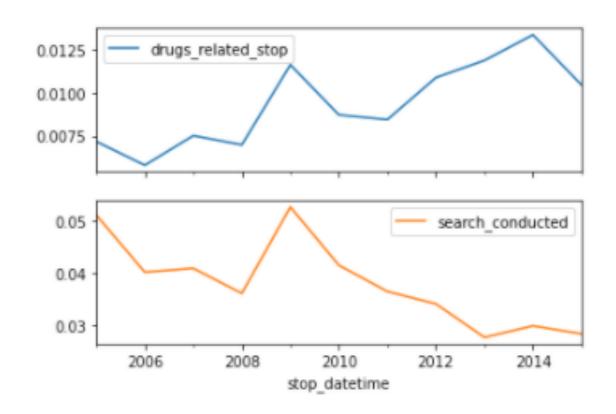
Q4. Are drug-related stops on the rise?

Compute the annual rate of drug-related stops and search:

```
annual_drug= data.drugs_related_stop.resample("A").mean()
annual_search= data.search_conducted.resample('A').mean()

# Concat the two columns
annual= pd.concat([annual_drug, annual_search],axis='columns')
print(annual)
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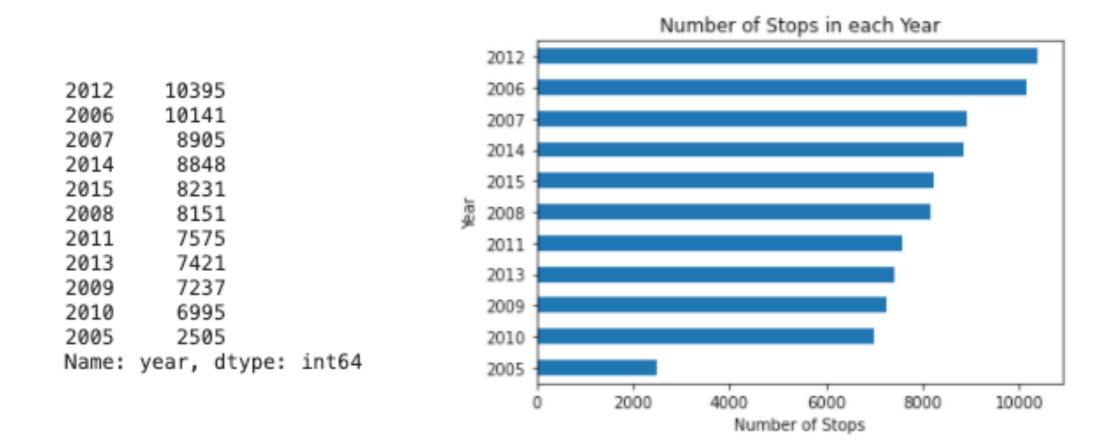
	drugs_related_stop	search_conducted
stop_datetime		
2005-12-31	0.007	0.051
2006-12-31	0.006	0.040
2007-12-31	0.008	0.041
2008-12-31	0.007	0.036
2009-12-31	0.012	0.053
2010-12-31	0.009	0.041
2011-12-31	0.008	0.036
2012-12-31	0.011	0.034
2013-12-31	0.012	0.028
2014-12-31	0.013	0.030
2015-12-31	0.010	0.028



The rate of drug-related stops increased even though the search rate decreased during the 10-year periods.

Q5. Which year had the least number of stops?

Compute the number of stops in each year:



As the plot shows, 2005 had the least number of stops.