

Project 2: Global Terrorism

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Introduction

Understanding terrorism can help to drive policies and practices to help decrease the number of terroristic acts that are perpetrated throughout the world. Decreasing the amount of terrorism around the world will help to keep everyone safe and will hopefully raise the standard of living for everyone.

This project will be examining datasets examining terrorism. I will be looking to answer the following questions:

1. How does a region's instability influence the rates of terrorism?
2. Does strengthening a region's stability lower the terrorism rate of that region?
3. How can the different acts of terror be grouped together? Can anything be inferred by how the terroristic acts are grouped?
4. Does one region's terrorism cluster influence another region's cluster? Specifically, how does the terrorism cluster influence non-adjacent terrorism rates?

The first thing that I will need to do is start importing the data.

```
In [1]: import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import seaborn as sns
import csv
from pprint import pprint
from sklearn.cluster import KMeans
from sklearn.decomposition import PCA
```

```
In [2]: coups = pd.read_excel('C:/Users/yasam/OneDrive/Documents/Grad School/DSC680 Applied Data Science/Project 2/Data/CSPCoupsAnnualv2018.xls')
displaced = pd.read_excel('C:/Users/yasam/OneDrive/Documents/Grad School/DSC680 Applied Data Science/Project 2/Data/Forcibly Displaced Popoulations 2008.xls')
fragility = pd.read_excel('C:/Users/yasam/OneDrive/Documents/Grad School/DSC680 Applied Data Science/Project 2/Data/State Fragility Index v2017.xls')
rand = pd.read_csv('C:/Users/yasam/OneDrive/Documents/Grad School/DSC680 Applied Data Science/Project 2/Data/RAND_Database_of_Worldwide_Terrorism_Incidents.csv', encoding='latin-1')
```

```
In [3]: print('Coups:\n',coups.head(5), '\n\n\n\nDisplaced:\n', displaced.head(5), '\n\n\n\nFragility:\n',  
           fragility.head(5), '\n\n\n\nRAND:\n', rand.head(5))
```

Coups:

	ccode	scode	country	year	scoup1	atcoup2	pcoup3	apcoup4	agcoup
\									
0	700	AFG	Afghanistan	1946	0	0	0	0	0
1	700	AFG	Afghanistan	1947	0	0	0	0	0
2	700	AFG	Afghanistan	1948	0	0	0	0	0
3	700	AFG	Afghanistan	1949	0	0	0	0	0
4	700	AFG	Afghanistan	1950	0	0	0	0	0

	foroutex	reboutex	assassex	resignex
0	0	0	0	0
1	0	0	0	0
2	0	0	0	0
3	0	0	0	0
4	0	0	0	0

Displaced:

	ccode	scode	country	year	source	idp	host
0	2	USA	United States	1964	0.0	0.0	96.0
1	2	USA	United States	1965	0.0	0.0	95.0
2	2	USA	United States	1966	0.0	0.0	97.0
3	2	USA	United States	1967	0.0	0.0	906.0
4	2	USA	United States	1968	0.0	0.0	987.0

Fragility:

	scode	country	year	region	sfi	effect	legit	seceff	secleg	\
0	AFG	Afghanistan	1995	2	25	13	12	3	3	
1	AFG	Afghanistan	1996	2	24	12	12	3	3	
2	AFG	Afghanistan	1997	2	24	12	12	3	3	
3	AFG	Afghanistan	1998	2	24	12	12	3	3	
4	AFG	Afghanistan	1999	2	24	12	12	3	3	

	poleff	polleg	ecoeff	ecoleg	soceff	socleg
0	3	3	4	3	3	3
1	2	3	4	3	3	3
2	2	3	4	3	3	3
3	2	3	4	3	3	3
4	2	3	4	3	3	3

RAND:

	Date	City	Country	Perpetrator	\
0	2/9/1968	Buenos Aires	Argentina	Unknown	
1	2/12/1968	Santo Domingo	Dominican Republic	Unknown	
2	2/13/1968	Montevideo	Uruguay	Unknown	
3	2/20/1968	Santiago	Chile	Unknown	
4	2/21/1968	Washington, D.C.	United States	Unknown	

	Weapon	Injuries	Fatalities	\
0	Firearms	0	0	
1	Explosives	0	0	
2	Fire or Firebomb	0	0	

3	Explosives	0	0
4	Explosives	0	0
Description			
0	ARGENTINA. The second floor of the U.S. embas...		
1	DOMINICAN REPUBLIC. A homemade bomb was found...		
2	URUGUAY. A Molotov cocktail was thrown outsid...		
3	CHILE. An explosion from a single stick of dy...		
4	UNITED STATES. The Soviet embassy was bombed ...		

Based on experience, I know that the Date column in the rand data is not in a datetime formate. Let's change it into a datetime format.

```
In [4]: rand['Date'] = pd.to_datetime(rand['Date'])
```

Before I move on, let's check the types of each of the imported dataframes. I will need to ensure each is in the correct format before I can move onto exploring the different data sets.

```
In [5]: print('Coups:\n',coups.dtypes,'\n\n\nDisplaced:\n', displaced.dtypes,  
            '\n\n\nFragility:\n', fragility.dtypes, '\n\n\nRAND:\n', rand.dtypes)
```

```
Coups:
  ccode      int64
  scode      object
  country    object
  year       int64
  scoup1     int64
  atcoup2    int64
  pcoup3     int64
  apcoup4    int64
  agcoup     int64
  foroutex   int64
  reboutex   int64
  assassex   int64
  resignex   int64
dtype: object
```

```
Displaced:
  ccode      int64
  scode      object
  country    object
  year       int64
  source     float64
  idp        float64
  host       float64
dtype: object
```

```
Fragility:
  scode      object
  country    object
  year       int64
  region     int64
  sfi        int64
  effect     int64
  legit      int64
  seceff     int64
  secleg     int64
  poleff     int64
  polleg     int64
  ecoeff     int64
  ecoleg     int64
  soceff     int64
  socleg     int64
dtype: object
```

```
RAND:
  Date          datetime64[ns]
  City          object
  Country       object
  Perpetrator   object
  Weapon        object
  Injuries      int64
  Fatalities    int64
  Description   object
dtype: object
```

Looks like everything imported with the correct types. I may still need to modify these types later on, but we are good to start looking at each variable.

Exploring Each Variable's Distributions

The first thing up is to start exploring each of the different variables within the four different datasets we will be looking at. Let's look at each individual dataset.

Coups

First up is the dataset exploring coups throughout the years. The dataset contains information from 1946 to 2018. I want to look at two different groupings within this data. The number for each country over the years, and the combination for each year.

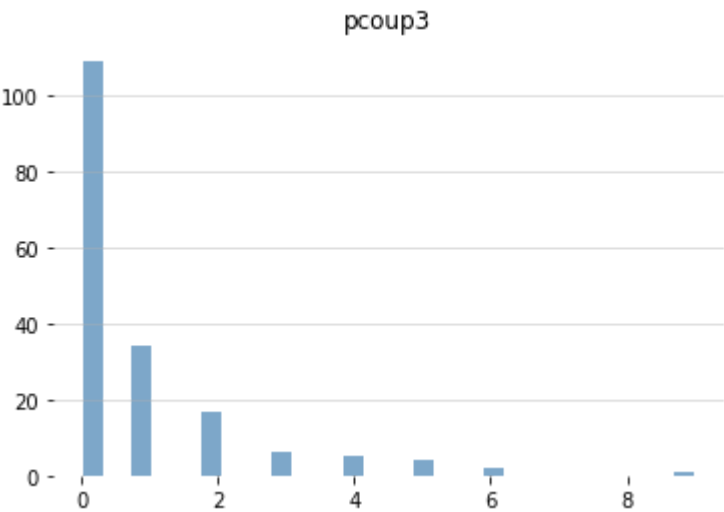
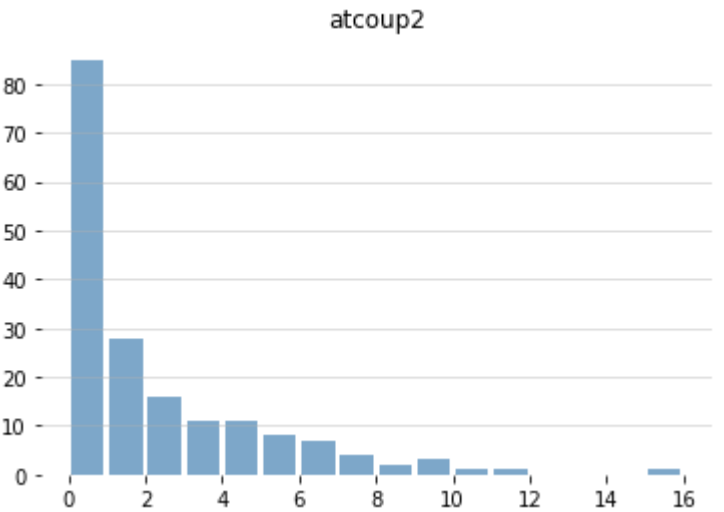
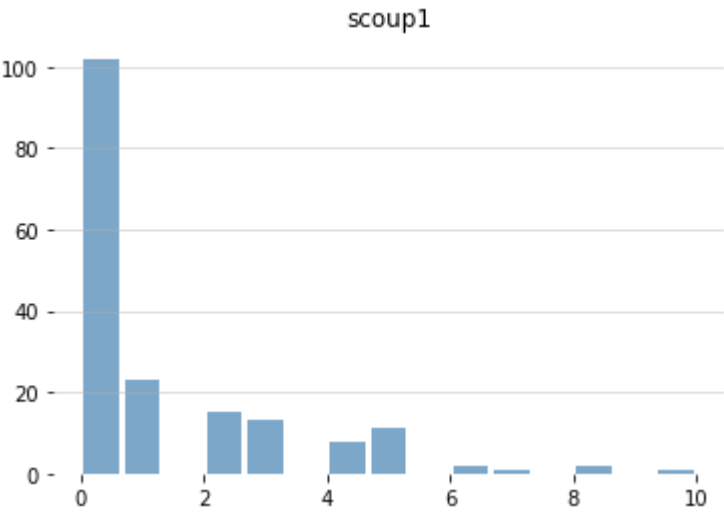
```
In [6]: coups_countries = coups.groupby('country').sum()[['scoup1', 'atcoup2', 'pcoup3', 'apcoup4',  
                                                         'agcoup', 'foroutex', 'reboutex', 'assassex',  
                                                         'resignex']]  
coups_year = coups.groupby('year').sum()[['scoup1', 'atcoup2', 'pcoup3', 'apcoup4',  
                                           'agcoup', 'foroutex', 'reboutex', 'assassex',  
                                           'resignex']]
```

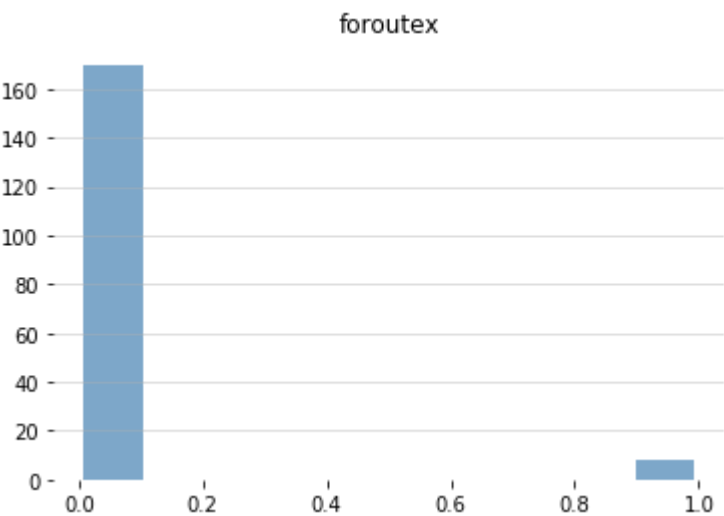
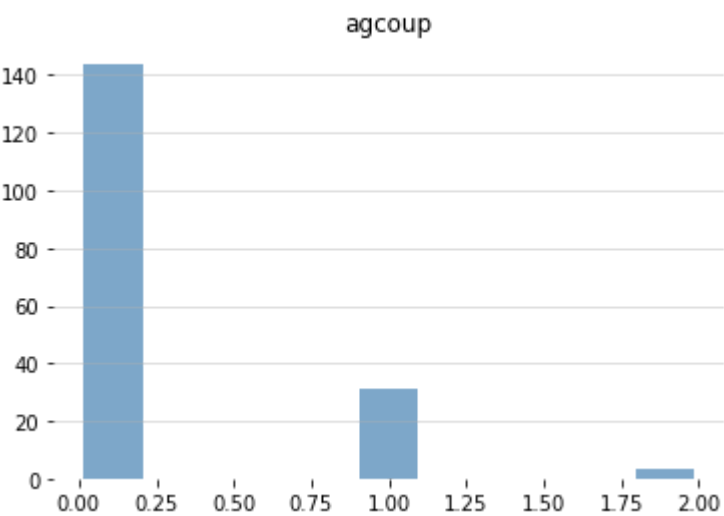
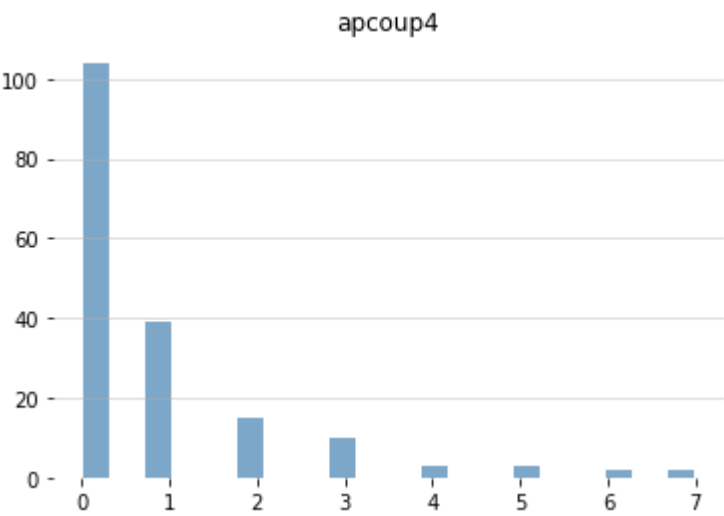
I have my two different groupings within the data. Now let's look at the different histograms.

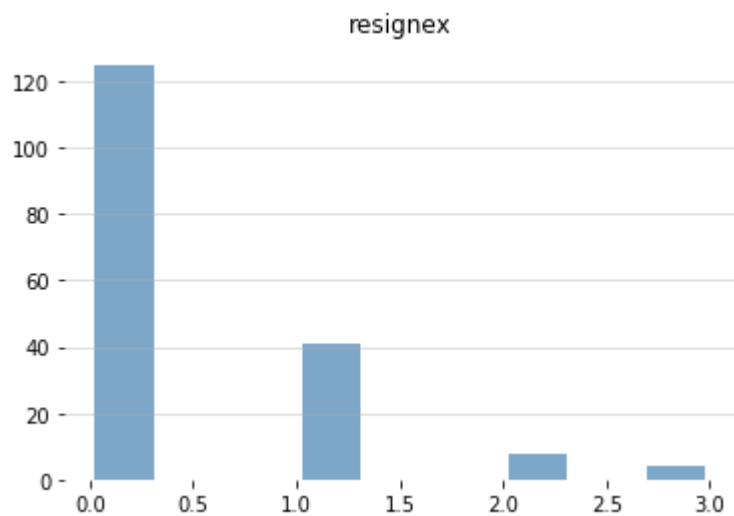
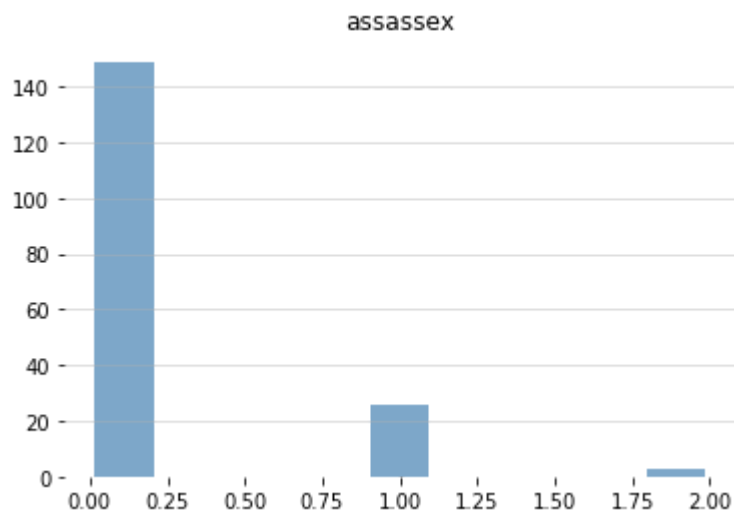
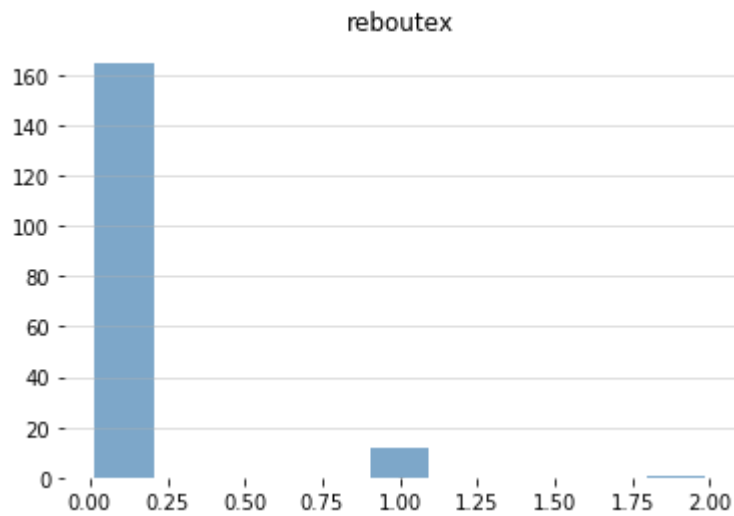
Grouped by Country

First ups is the grouping by country.

```
In [7]: heads = ['scoup1', 'atcoup2', 'pcoup3', 'apcoup4', 'agcoup', 'foroutex',  
               'reboutex', 'assassex', 'resignex']  
for test in heads:  
    n, bins, patches = plt.hist(x=coups_countries[test], bins='auto',  
                               color='steelblue', alpha=0.7, rwidth=0.85)  
    plt.grid(axis='y', alpha=.5)  
    plt.title(test)  
    plt.box(False)  
    plt.show()
```

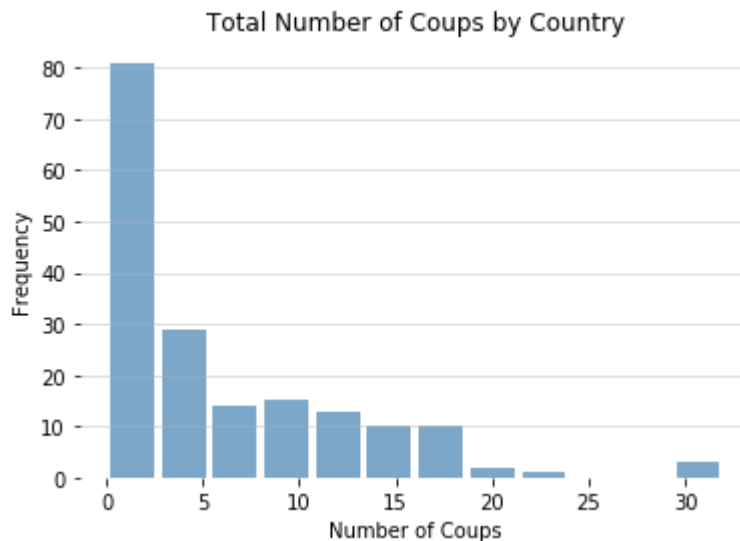







Each of the histograms have a mode at 0 and trail to the right. This isn't surprising, but it is interesting how far to the right some of variables stretch. For example, atcoup2 has up to 16 of these types of coups. But what about the total coups per country?

```
In [8]: total_coups_country = coups_countries['scoup1'] + coups_countries['atcoup2'] +
coups_countries['pcoup3'] + coups_countries['apcoup4'] + coups_countries['agcou
up'] + coups_countries['foroutex'] + coups_countries['reboutex'] + coups_count
ries['assassex'] + coups_countries['resignex']
n, bins, patches = plt.hist(x=total_coups_country, bins='auto', color='steelbl
ue',
                           alpha=.7, rwidth=.85)
plt.grid(axis='y', alpha=.5)
plt.xlabel('Number of Coups')
plt.ylabel('Frequency')
plt.title('Total Number of Coups by Country')
plt.box(False)
plt.show()
```



Now this is interesting. There are countries that have had over 30 coups since 1946. The maximum number of coups by country is 32. That means one country has had 32 coups in 73 years. That is a lot of upheaval.

Grouped by Year

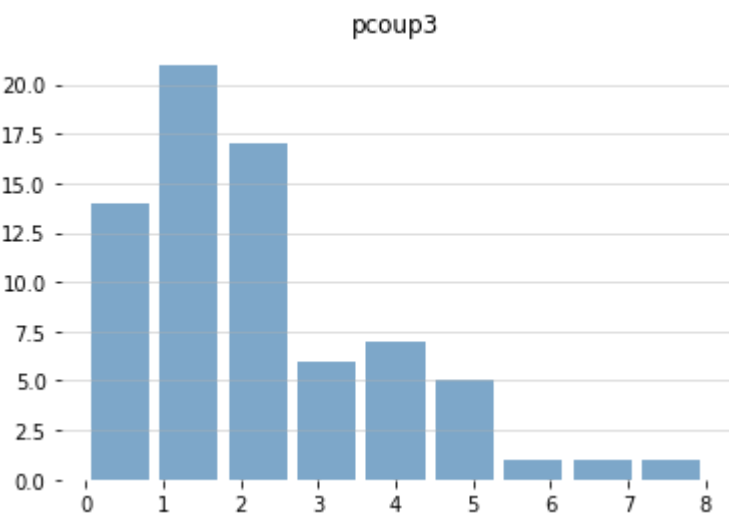
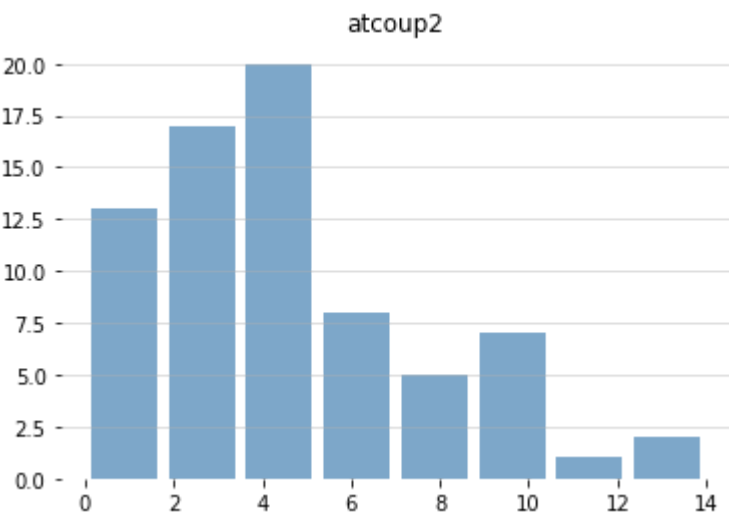
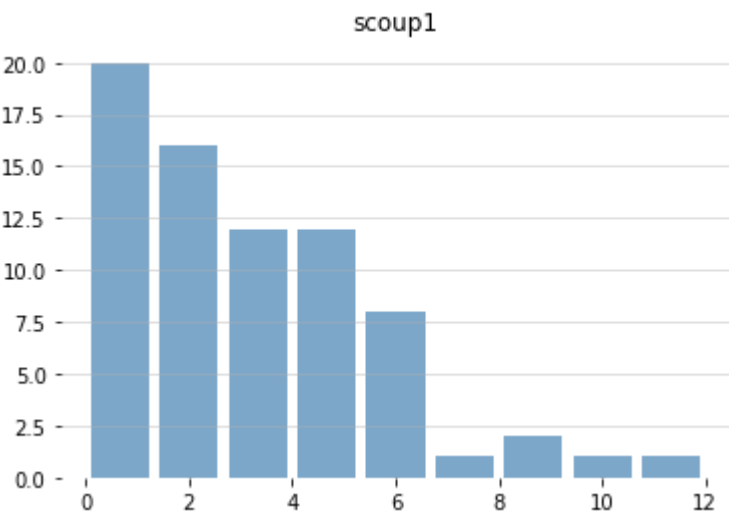
Now let's change our lens and look at the same data split out by year.

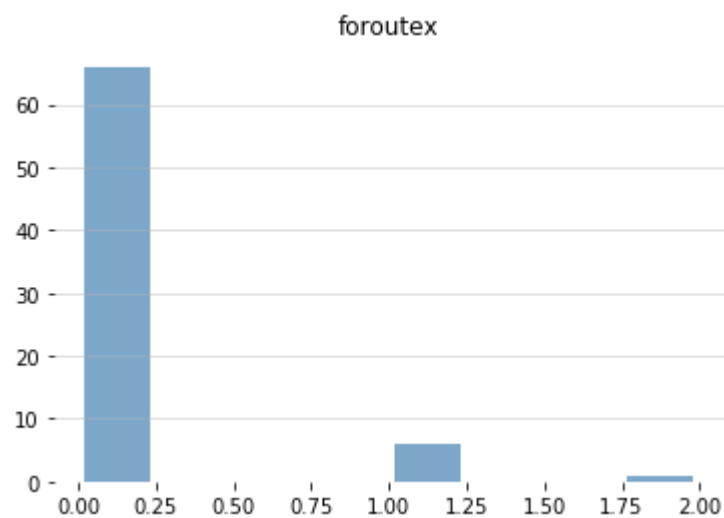
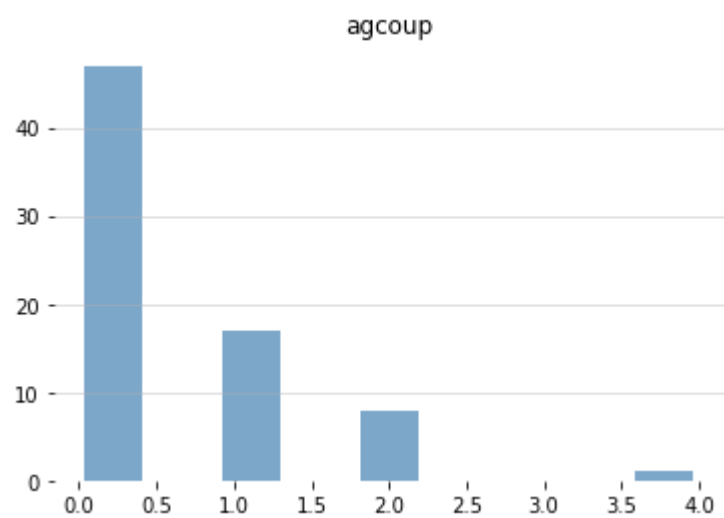
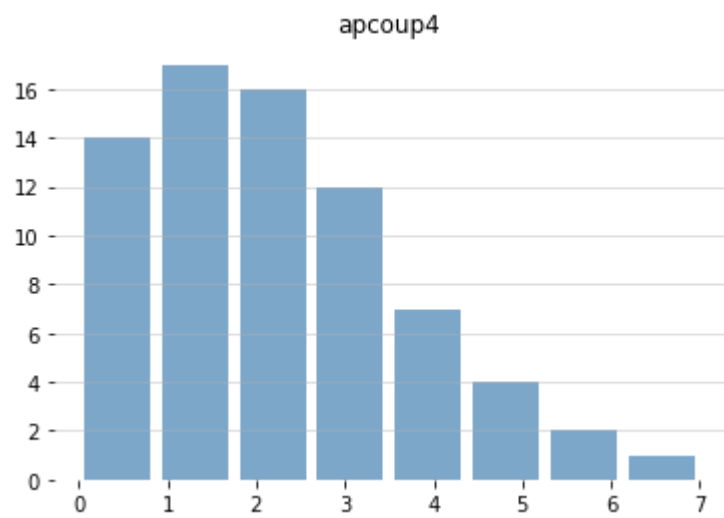
```
In [9]: pprint(coups_year.head(5))
```

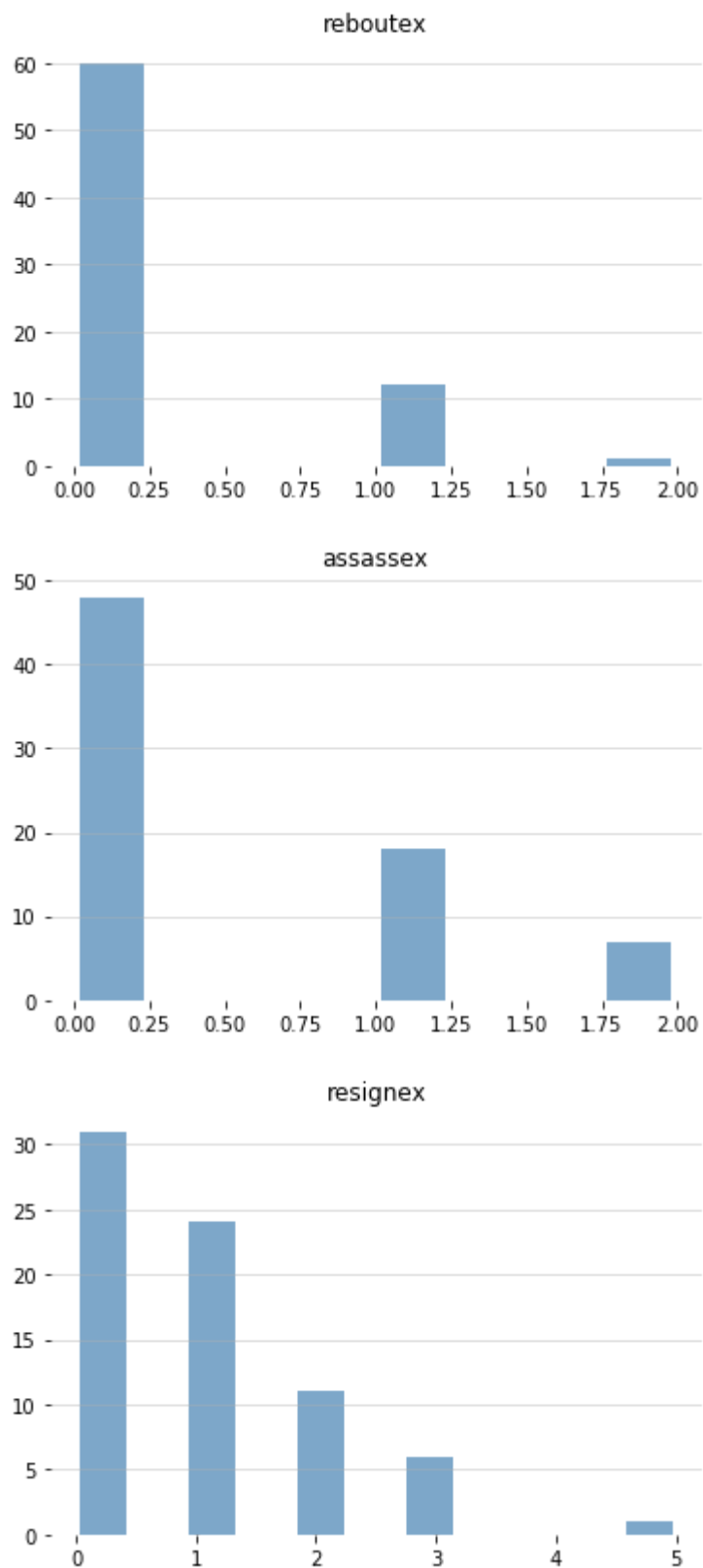
	scoup1	atcoup2	pcoup3	apcoup4	agcoup	foroutex	reboutex	assassex
\								
year								
1946	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	0
1947	2	1	2	5	0	0	0	0
1948	6	4	3	3	0	0	0	0
1949	5	1	3	1	0	0	0	0
1950	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0

	resignex
year	
1946	0
1947	0
1948	0
1949	0
1950	0

```
In [10]: for test in heads:
          n, bins, patches = plt.hist(x=coups_year[test], bins='auto',
                                     color='steelblue', alpha=.7, rwidth=.85)
          plt.grid(axis='y', alpha=.5)
          plt.title(test)
          plt.box(False)
          plt.show()
```

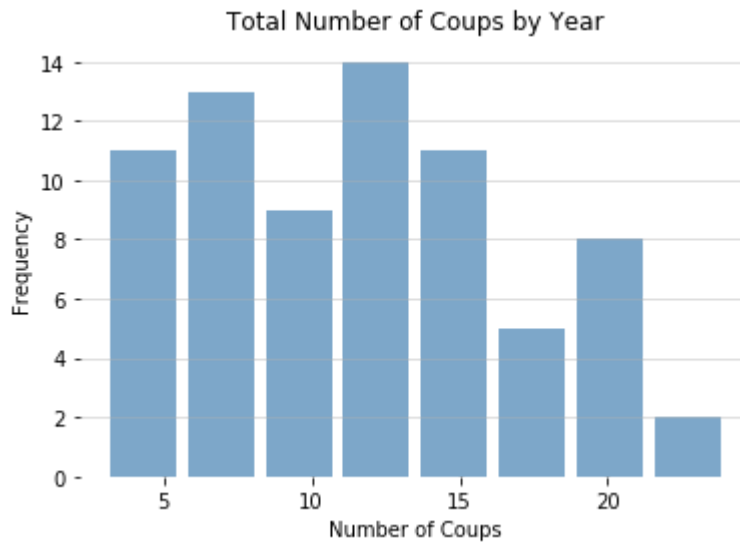






Ok, let's look at how the total number of coups is broken up by year.

```
In [11]: total_coups_year = coups_year['scoup1'] + coups_year['atcoup2'] + coups_year['pcoup3'] + coups_year['agcoup'] + coups_year['foroutex'] + coups_year['rebootex'] + coups_year['assassex'] + coups_year['resignex']
n, bins, patches = plt.hist(x=total_coups_year, bins='auto', color='steelblue',
                             alpha=.7, rwidth=.85)
plt.grid(axis='y', alpha=.5)
plt.xlabel('Number of Coups')
plt.ylabel('Frequency')
plt.title('Total Number of Coups by Year')
plt.box(False)
plt.show()
```



Now this was unexpected. This is almost a normal distribution.

Displaced

Now it's time to look at the next dataset which is the number of displaced individuals. Let's look at the numbers grouped by country and by year.

```
In [12]: displaced.head(5)
```

```
Out[12]:
```

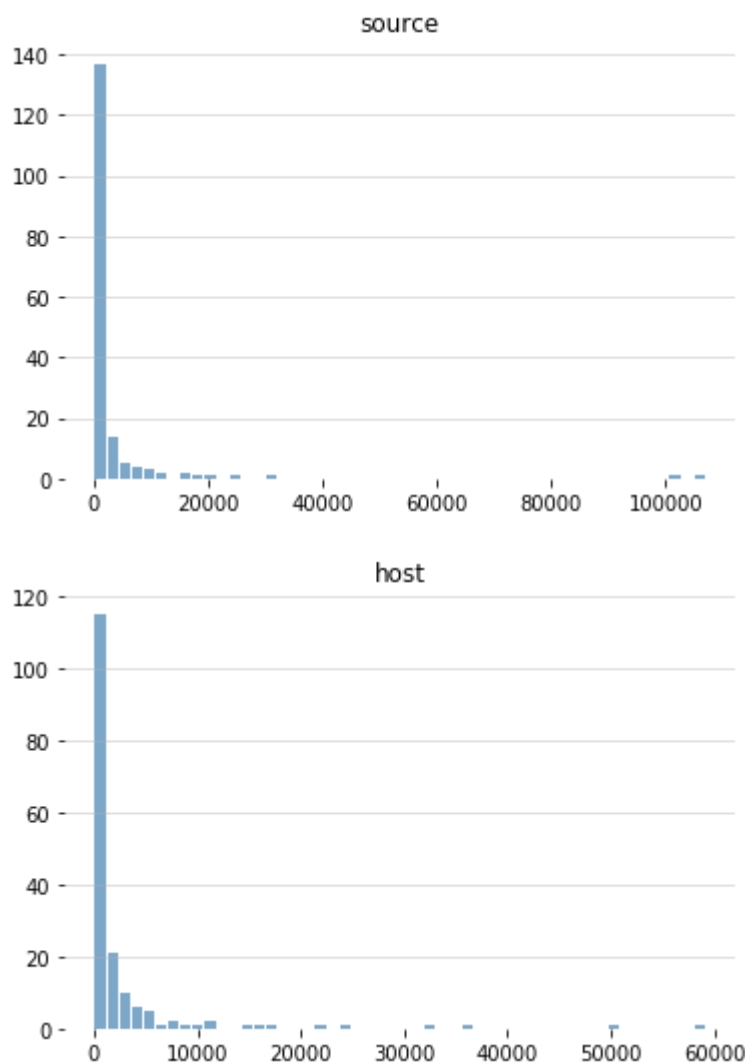
	ccode	scode	country	year	source	idp	host
0	2	USA	United States	1964	0.0	0.0	96.0
1	2	USA	United States	1965	0.0	0.0	95.0
2	2	USA	United States	1966	0.0	0.0	97.0
3	2	USA	United States	1967	0.0	0.0	906.0
4	2	USA	United States	1968	0.0	0.0	987.0

```
In [13]: displaced_country = displaced.groupby('country').sum()[['source', 'host']]
displaced_year = displaced.groupby('year').sum()[['source', 'host']]
```

Grouped by Country

First up is the group by country.

```
In [14]: for x in ['source', 'host']:
          n, bins, patches = plt.hist(x=displaced_country[x], bins=50,
                                      color='steelblue', alpha=.7, rwidth=.85)
          plt.grid(axis='y', alpha=.5)
          plt.title(x)
          plt.box(False)
          plt.show()
```

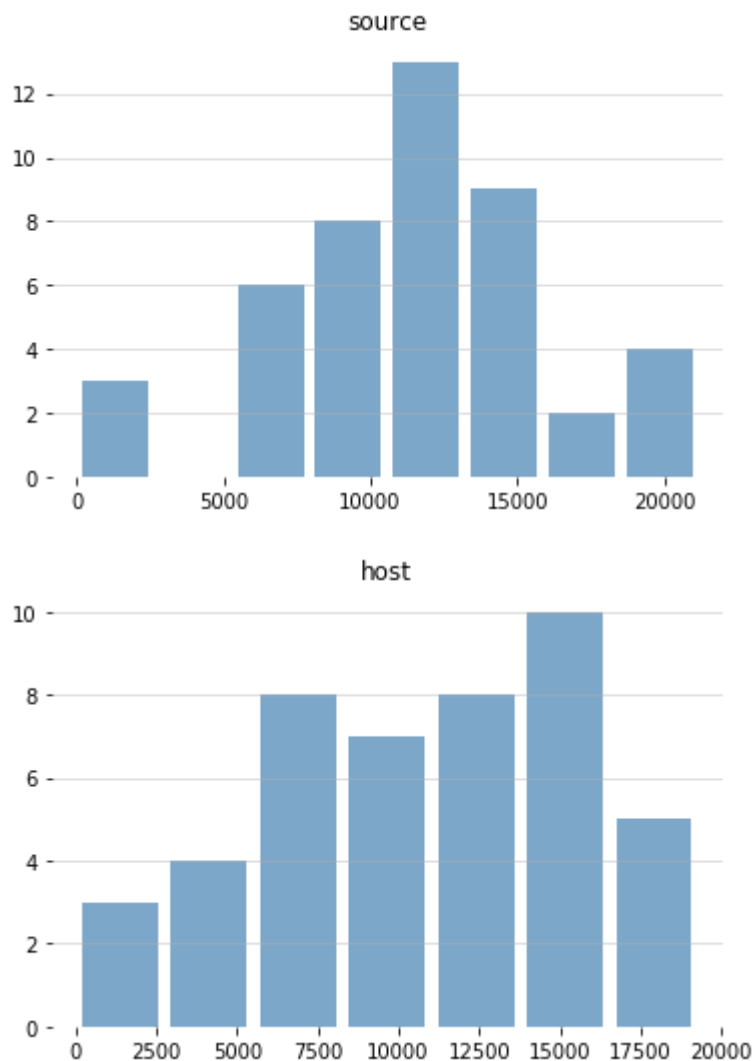


These histograms are not surprising. Most countries do not source or host displaced individuals. One interesting thing is that the sum of the source and hosts are not equal. This means that there are a fair number of uncounted individuals. But now let's look at the number of displaced individuals by year.

Grouped by Year

Now let's look at the number of displaced individuals over the years.

```
In [15]: for x in ['source', 'host']:
          n, bins, patches = plt.hist(x=displaced_year[x], bins='auto',
                                      color='steelblue', alpha=.7, rwidth=.85)
          plt.grid(axis='y', alpha=.5)
          plt.title(x)
          plt.box(False)
          plt.show()
```



These are both mostly normal. That is unexpected. But paired with the number of coups per year being normal as well, this shouldn't be as surprising. Now let's look at the fragility of the different countries.

Fragility

Next up is looking at the fragility dataset. Each state's fragility index is the `sfi` variable, but is a combination of all the other variables. The closer the `sfi` is to zero, the more stable the country is. For my analysis, I will only be looking at the `sfi`, but there is much more data that can be gleaned from this dataset.

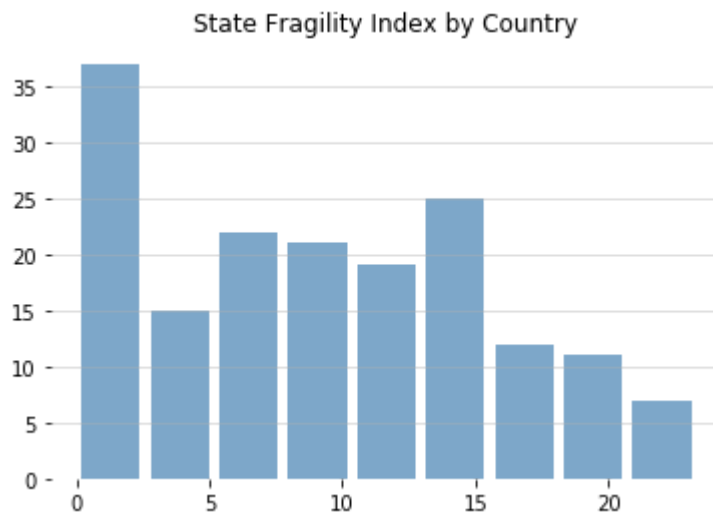
I will be grouping this data by the mean rather than the sum.

```
In [16]: fragility_country = fragility.groupby('country').mean()[['sfi']]
         fragility_year = fragility.groupby('year').mean()[['sfi']]
```

Grouped by Country

First up is to look at the grouped country data.

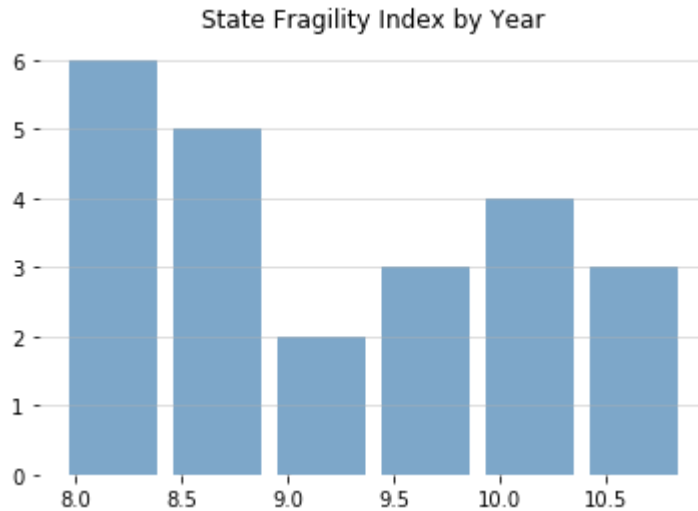
```
In [17]: n, bins, patches = plt.hist(x=fragility_country['sfi'], bins='auto',
                                     color='steelblue', alpha=.7, rwidth=.85)
         plt.grid(axis='y', alpha=.5)
         plt.title('State Fragility Index by Country')
         plt.box(False)
         plt.show()
```



Grouped by Year

Next up is to look at the `sfi` when it's grouped by year.

```
In [18]: n, bins, patches = plt.hist(x=fragility_year['sfi'], bins='auto',
                                     color='steelblue', alpha=.7, rwidth=.85)
plt.grid(axis='y', alpha=.5)
plt.title('State Fragility Index by Year')
plt.box(False)
plt.show()
```



Here we have the average state fragility index for each year. I was not expecting such a spread in the average over the years.

RAND

Next up is to look at the RAND database of worldwide terrorism incidents (RDWTI) data. There are a couple of things to look at within this dataset.

```
In [19]: print('Number of Cities: ', len(list(set(rand['City']))),
              '\nNumber of Countries: ', len(list(set(rand['Country']))),
              '\nNumber of Perpetrators: ', len(list(set(rand['Perpetrator']))),
              '\nNumber of Weapons: ', len(list(set(rand['Weapon']))))
```

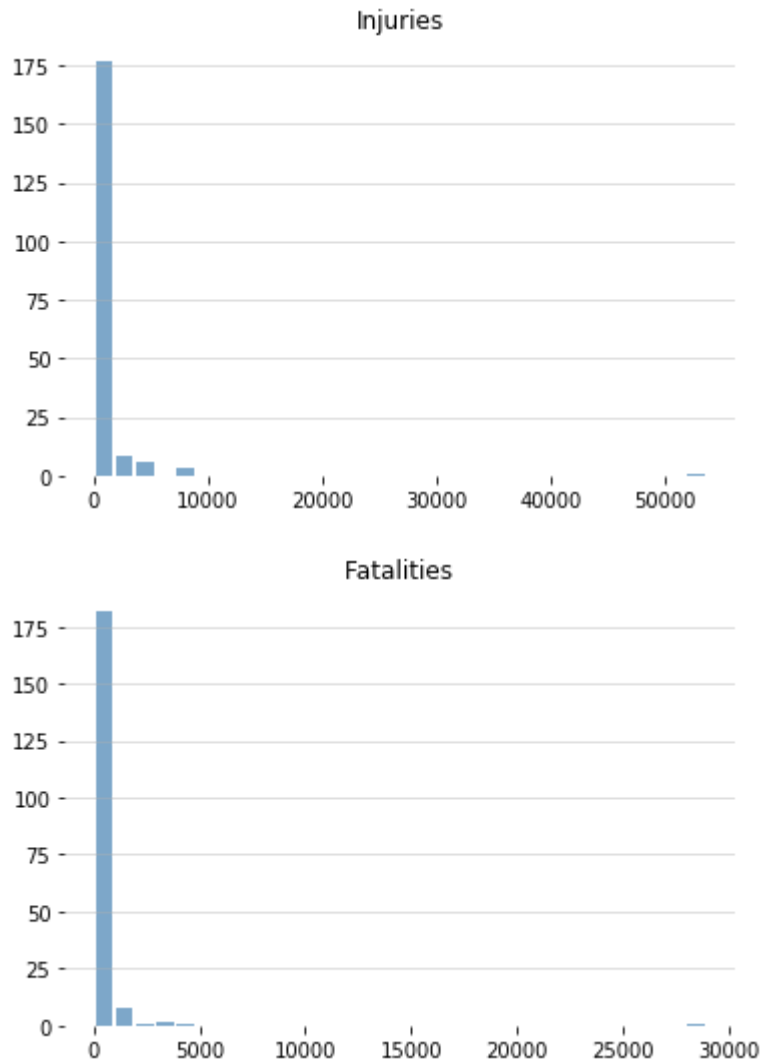
```
Number of Cities: 6387
Number of Countries: 195
Number of Perpetrators: 1060
Number of Weapons: 13
```

```
In [20]: rand_country = rand.groupby('Country').sum()[['Injuries', 'Fatalities']]
rand_perps = rand.groupby('Perpetrator').sum()[['Injuries', 'Fatalities']]
rand_weapons = rand.groupby('Weapon').sum()[['Injuries', 'Fatalities']]
```

Grouped by Country

First up is to look at the data when grouped by country

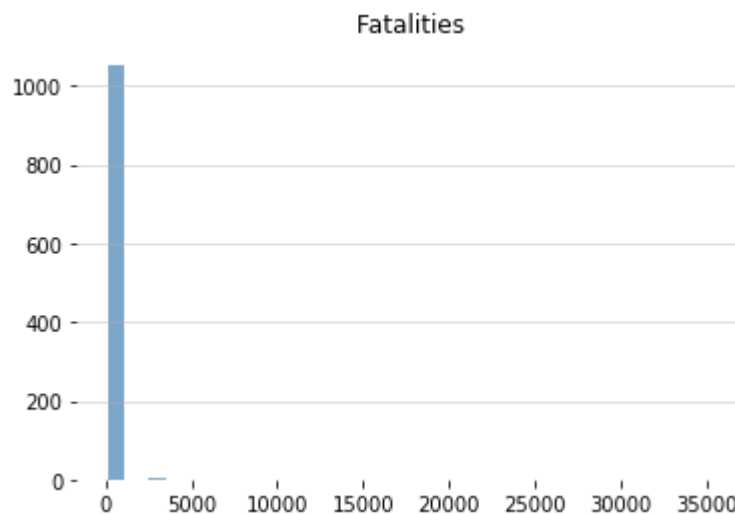
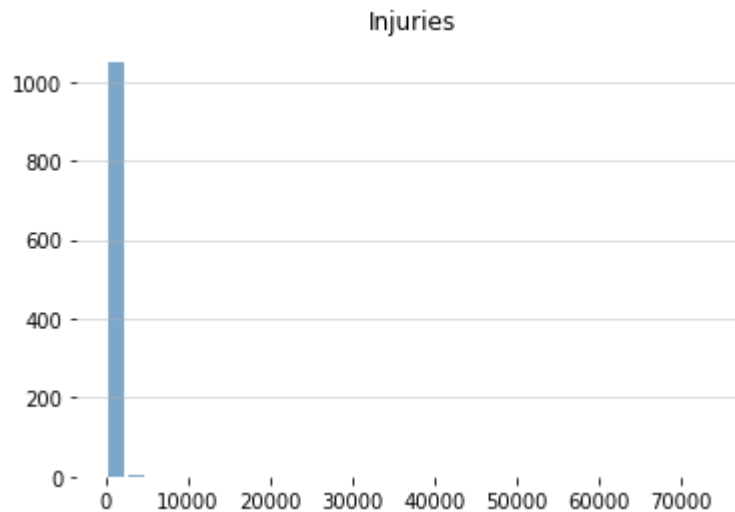
```
In [21]: for x in ['Injuries', 'Fatalities']:
          n, bins, patches = plt.hist(x=rand_country[x], bins=30,
                                     color='steelblue', alpha=.7, rwidth=.85)
          plt.grid(axis='y', alpha=.5)
          plt.title(x)
          plt.box(False)
          plt.show()
```



Grouped by Perpetrators

Now let's look at the data grouped by Perpetrators

```
In [22]: for x in ['Injuries', 'Fatalities']:
          n, bins, patches = plt.hist(x=rand_perps[x], bins=30,
                                     color='steelblue', alpha=.7, rwidth=.85)
          plt.grid(axis='y', alpha=.5)
          plt.title(x)
          plt.box(False)
          plt.show()
```



Most terroristic attacks have a small number of injuries and fatalities.

Grouped by Weapon

Now let's see how they change by weapon type.


```

In [23]: n_groups = 12

fig, ax = plt.subplots()
index = np.arange(n_groups)
bar_width = .3
opacity = .75

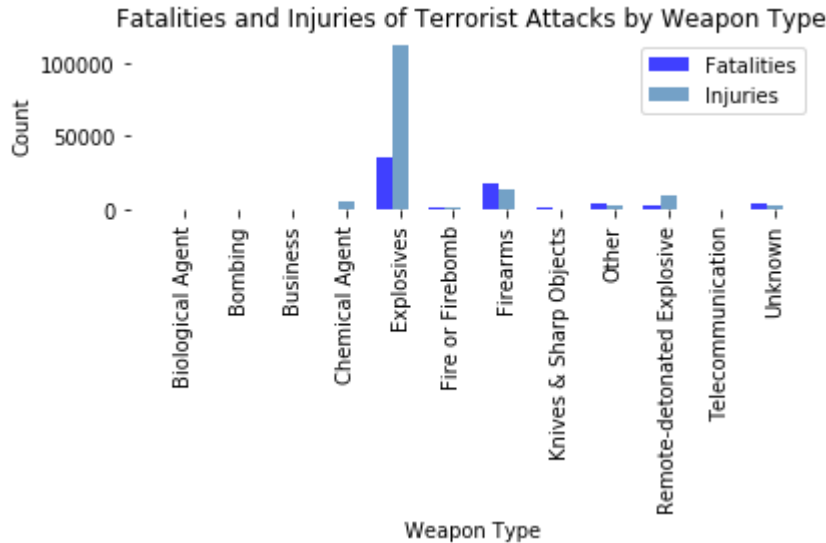
rects1 = plt.bar(index, rand_weapons['Fatalities'], bar_width, alpha=opacity,
                  color='blue', label="Fatalities")
rects2 = plt.bar(index + bar_width, rand_weapons['Injuries'], bar_width, alpha=opacity,
                  color='steelblue', label="Injuries")

plt.xlabel('Weapon Type')
plt.ylabel('Count')
plt.title('Fatalities and Injuries of Terrorist Attacks by Weapon Type')
plt.xticks(index + bar_width, ('Biological Agent', 'Bombing', 'Business',
                               'Chemical Agent', 'Explosives', 'Fire or Firebomb',
                               'Firearms', 'Knives & Sharp Objects', 'Other',
                               'Remote-detonated Explosive', 'Telecommunication',
                               'Unknown'), rotation='vertical')

plt.legend()

plt.tight_layout()
plt.box(False)
plt.show()

```



By far, the weapon that causes the most fatalities and injuries are explosives.

Exploring Bi-Variate Relationships

To explore the bi-variate relationships, we need to first get the different data into a single dataframe, or into the same format. I'm gathering the data into a single dataframe.

Correlation

The first bi-variate relationship I'm going to look at is the correlation between the different variables. I will look at this when the data is grouped by country and by year.

Grouped by Country

The first thing I'll need to do is reset the index on all of the grouped datasets. Once the index is reset, I can then merge the datasets together by country.

```
In [24]: coups_countries = coups_countries.reset_index()
displaced_country = displaced_country.reset_index()
fragility_country = fragility_country.reset_index()
rand_country = rand_country.reset_index()
coups_year = coups_year.reset_index()
diplaced_year = displaced_year.reset_index()
fragility_year = fragility_year.reset_index()

# Need to rename columns to be the same between the different dataframes
rand_country = rand_country.rename(columns={'Country':'country', 'Injuries':'i
njuries',
                                           'Fatalities':'fatalities'})
```

```
In [25]: total_coups_country_df = total_coups_country.to_frame().reset_index()
total_coups_country_df.columns = ['country', 'total_coups']
```

```
In [26]: country_df = pd.merge(coups_countries, total_coups_country_df, on='country')
country_df = pd.merge(country_df, displaced_country, on='country')
country_df = pd.merge(country_df, fragility_country, on='country')
country_df = pd.merge(country_df, rand_country, on='country')
```

In [27]: `country_df.head(5)`

Out[27]:

	country	scoup1	atcoup2	pcoup3	apcoup4	agcoup	foroutex	reboutex	assasse
0	Afghanistan	5	6	0	1	0	1	1	0
1	Albania	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
2	Algeria	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	1
3	Angola	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
4	Argentina	7	8	1	0	0	0	0	0

Now that we have a combined dataset for the grouping on the countries, we can look at how the different countries are related together.

```

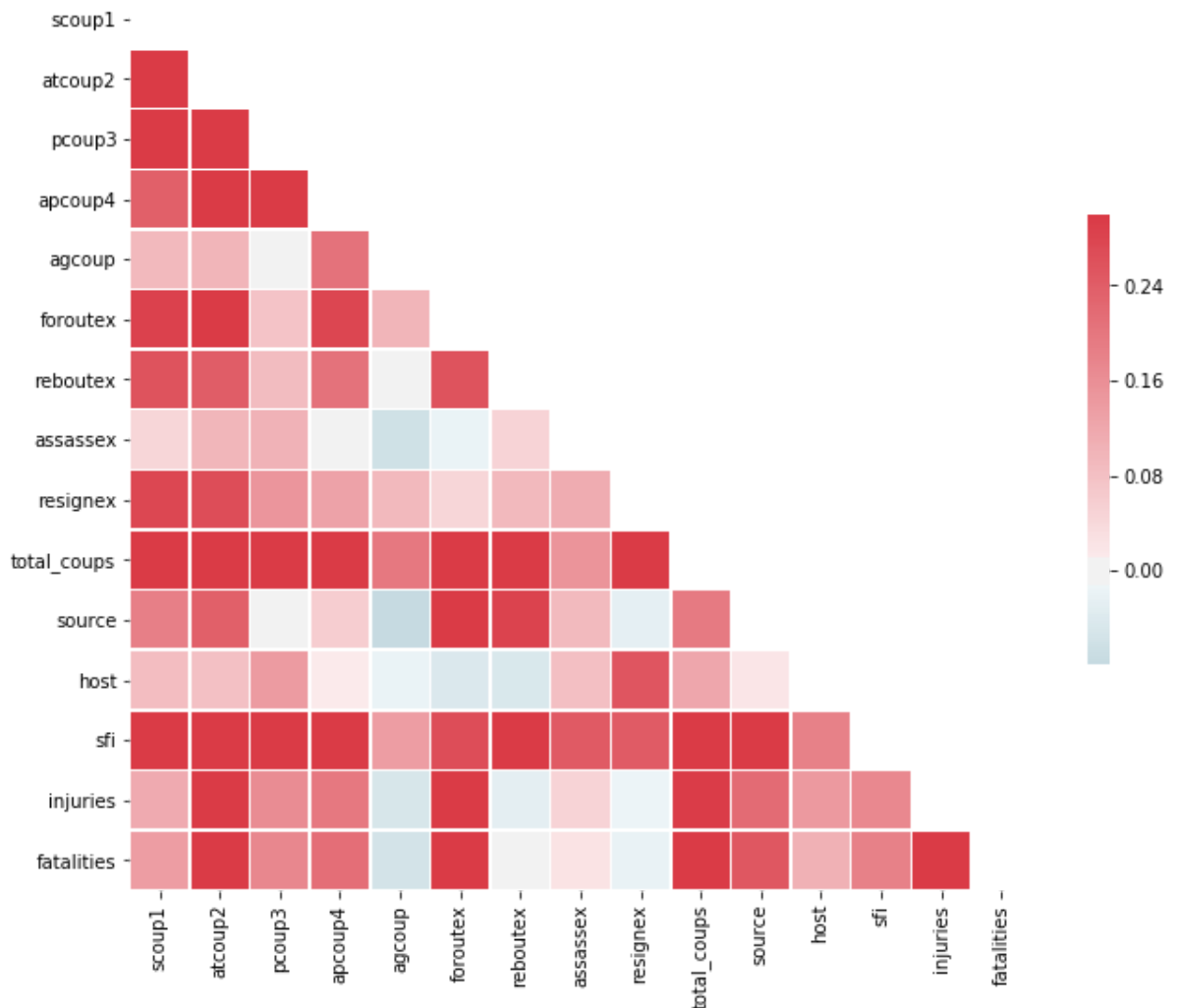
In [28]: corr = country_df.corr()

mask = np.zeros_like(corr, dtype=np.bool)
mask[np.triu_indices_from(mask)] = True

f, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(11,9))
cmap = sns.diverging_palette(220,10, as_cmap=True)
sns.heatmap(corr, mask=mask, cmap=cmap, vmax=.3, center=0,
            square=True, linewidth=.5, cbar_kws={'shrink':.5})

```

Out[28]: <matplotlib.axes._subplots.AxesSubplot at 0x222397c6b00>



Well, now this is interesting. Most of the variables are positively correlated with each other to varying degrees. The variables that seem to be the most important are total_coups, sfi, and atcoup2. The total_coups and sfi were expected, but it looks like a specific type of coup is highly correlated with terrorism. This is good to know as it is one of my research questions.

Grouped by Year

Now to do the same thing when the data is grouped by year.

```
In [29]: total_coups_year_df = total_coups_year.to_frame().reset_index()
total_coups_year_df.columns = ['year', 'total_coups']
```

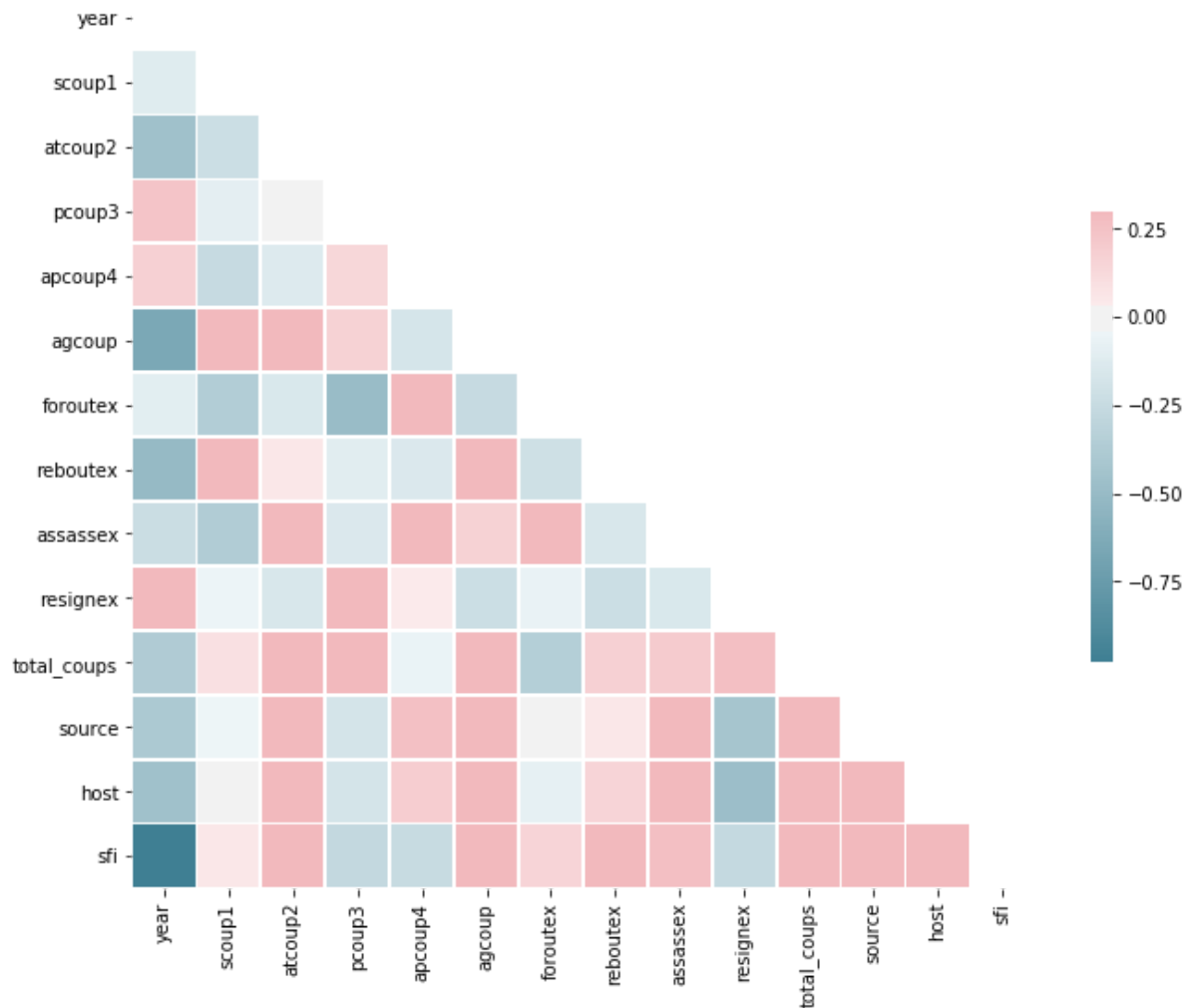
```
In [30]: year_df = pd.merge(coups_year, total_coups_year_df, on='year')
year_df = pd.merge(year_df, displaced_year, on='year')
year_df = pd.merge(year_df, fragility_year, on='year')
```

```
In [31]: corr = year_df.corr()

mask = np.zeros_like(corr, dtype=np.bool)
mask[np.triu_indices_from(mask)] = True

f, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(11,9))
cmap = sns.diverging_palette(220,10, as_cmap=True)
sns.heatmap(corr, mask=mask, cmap=cmap, vmax=.3, center=0,
            square=True, linewidth=.5, cbar_kws={'shrink':.5})
```

```
Out[31]: <matplotlib.axes._subplots.AxesSubplot at 0x2223aba2898>
```



Now this is an interesting thing to see. When the data is grouped by year, the correlations are closer to 0 or negative, especially to the year. This implies that as time goes on, the amount of terrorism is decreasing.

Scatterplots

The next thing to look at are the different scatterplots between the variables. I'll be looking at these based on how the data was grouped.

Grouped by Country

First up is to look at the data when it's grouped by country.

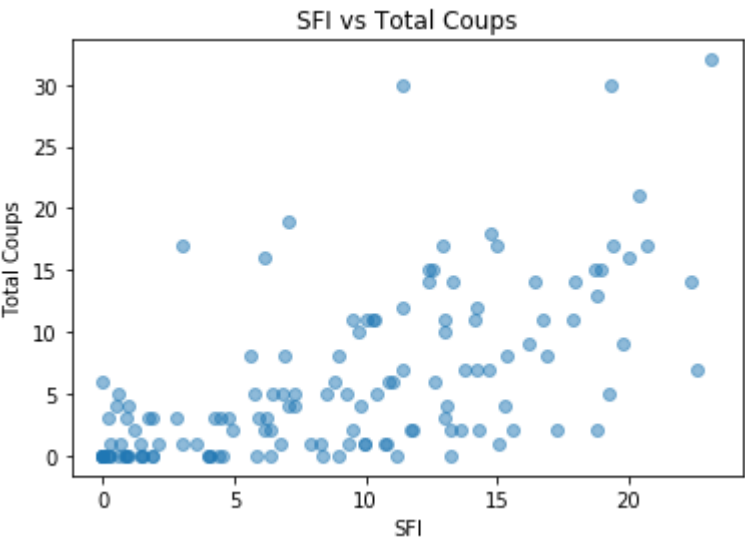
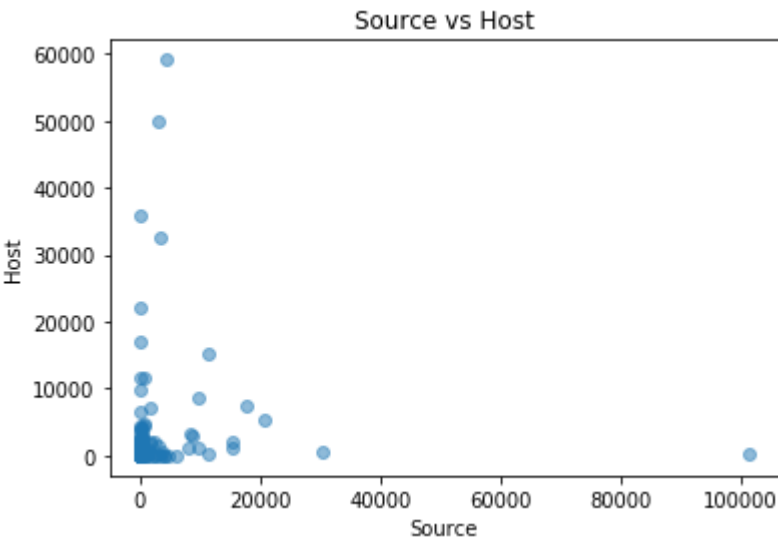
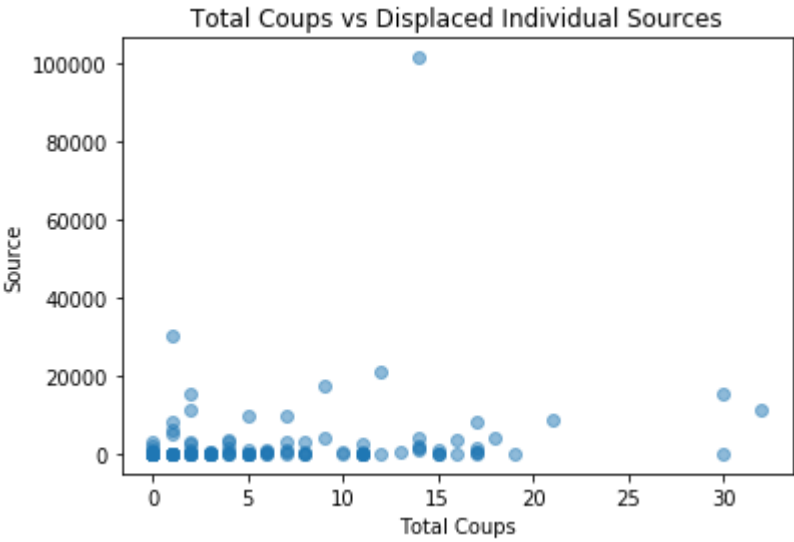
```
In [32]: plt.scatter(x=country_df['total_coups'], y=country_df['source'], alpha=.5)
plt.xlabel('Total Coups')
plt.ylabel('Source')
plt.title('Total Coups vs Displaced Individual Sources')
plt.show()

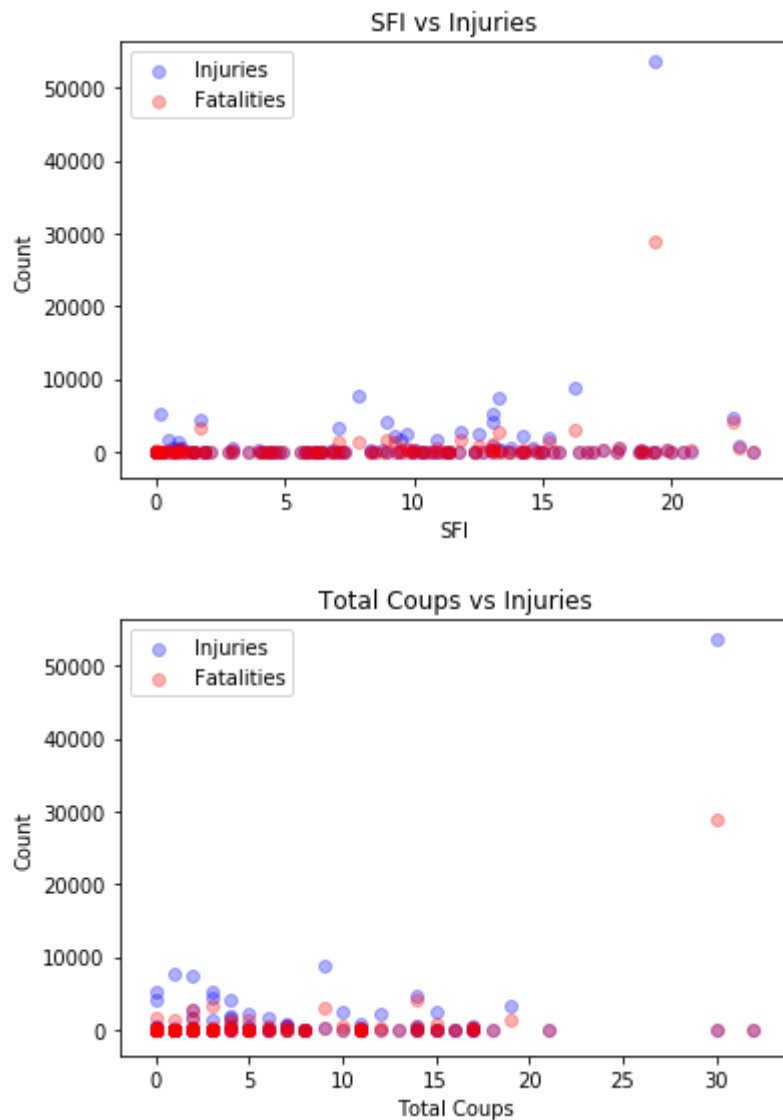
plt.scatter(x=country_df['source'], y=country_df['host'], alpha=.5)
plt.xlabel('Source')
plt.ylabel('Host')
plt.title('Source vs Host')
plt.show()

plt.scatter(x=country_df['sfi'], y=country_df['total_coups'], alpha=.5)
plt.xlabel('SFI')
plt.ylabel('Total Coups')
plt.title('SFI vs Total Coups')
plt.show()

plt.scatter(x=country_df['sfi'], y=country_df['injuries'], alpha=.3, color='blue', label='Injuries')
plt.scatter(x=country_df['sfi'], y=country_df['fatalities'], alpha=.3, color='red', label='Fatalities')
plt.xlabel('SFI')
plt.ylabel('Count')
plt.title('SFI vs Injuries')
plt.legend()
plt.show()

plt.scatter(x=country_df['total_coups'], y=country_df['injuries'], alpha=.3, color='blue', label='Injuries')
plt.scatter(x=country_df['total_coups'], y=country_df['fatalities'], alpha=.3, color='red', label='Fatalities')
plt.xlabel('Total Coups')
plt.ylabel('Count')
plt.title('Total Coups vs Injuries')
plt.legend()
plt.show()
```





Here we can see some of the different scatter plots of the data.

Grouped by Year

Now it's time to look at the same scatterplots with the data grouped by year.

In [33]: year_df

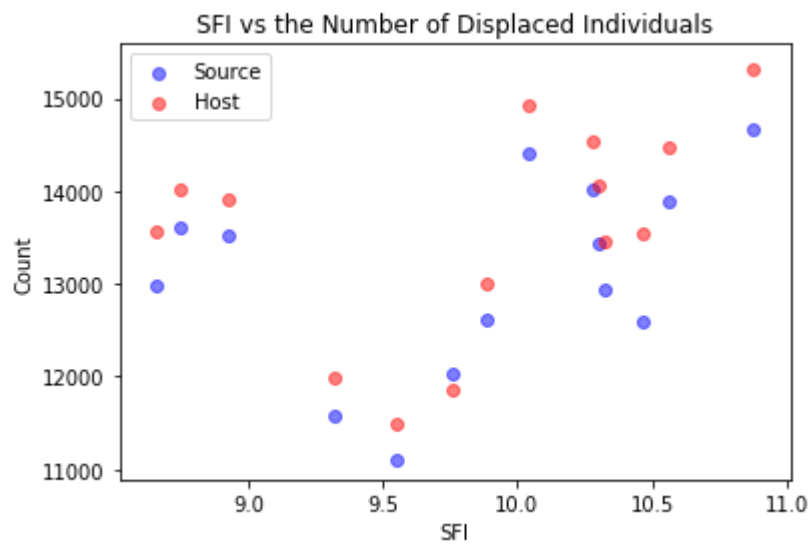
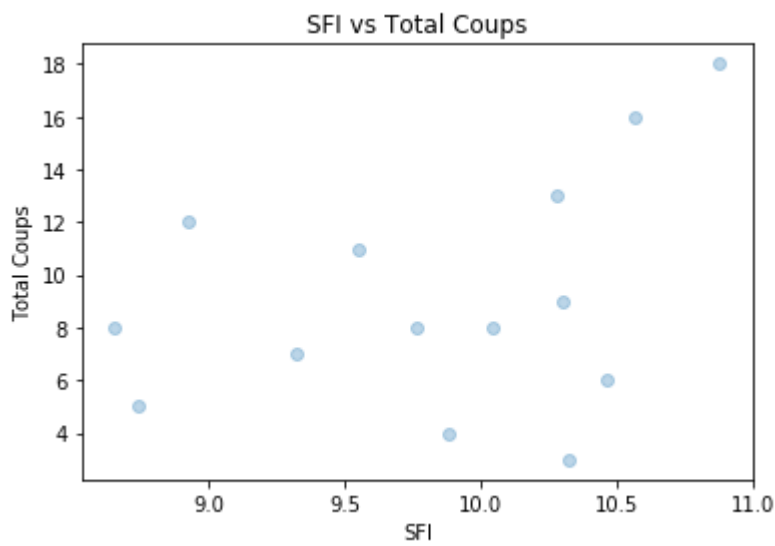
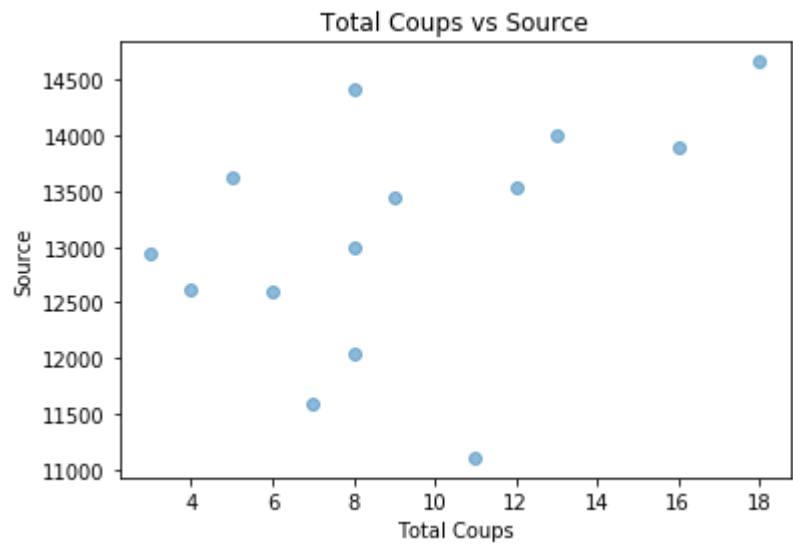
Out[33]:

	year	scoup1	atcoup2	pcoup3	apcoup4	agcoup	foroutex	reboutex	assassex	res
0	1995	1	10	4	3	2	0	0	1	0
1	1996	3	7	2	2	2	0	1	0	1
2	1997	3	1	1	2	0	0	1	0	0
3	1998	0	2	0	4	0	1	0	0	0
4	1999	4	2	1	0	1	0	0	0	1
5	2000	0	10	1	1	0	0	0	0	2
6	2001	0	4	0	4	0	1	0	2	1
7	2002	1	2	1	2	0	0	0	0	0
8	2003	2	2	1	3	0	1	0	0	2
9	2004	0	2	6	1	0	0	0	0	3
10	2005	2	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	3
11	2006	2	2	5	6	0	0	0	0	3
12	2007	1	1	3	3	0	0	0	0	0
13	2008	2	5	1	2	0	0	0	0	0

```
In [34]: plt.scatter(x=year_df['total_coups'], y=year_df['source'], alpha=.5)
plt.xlabel('Total Coups')
plt.ylabel('Source')
plt.title('Total Coups vs Source')
plt.show()

plt.scatter(x=year_df['sfi'], y=year_df['total_coups'], alpha=.3)
plt.xlabel('SFI')
plt.ylabel('Total Coups')
plt.title('SFI vs Total Coups')
plt.show()

plt.scatter(x=year_df['sfi'], y=year_df['source'], alpha=.5, color='blue', label='Source')
plt.scatter(x=year_df['sfi'], y=year_df['host'], alpha=.5, color='red', label='Host')
plt.xlabel('SFI')
plt.ylabel('Count')
plt.legend()
plt.title('SFI vs the Number of Displaced Individuals')
plt.show()
```



Here we can see some of the scatterplots for the data grouped by year.

Start Clustering

Now that we've looked at the data, we can start looking to try to use the data to see how the data groups together. I'm wondering how the data will be grouped together if we look at the `total_coups`, `source`, `host`, `sfi`, `injuries`, and `fatalities` variables. Would the groupings reflect along with the regions of the world? Or would they be grouped together in a different way? Can we infer anything from the different groupings?

In [35]: `country_df.head(5)`

Out[35]:

	country	scoup1	atcoup2	pcoup3	apcoup4	agcoup	foroutex	reboutex	assasse
0	Afghanistan	5	6	0	1	0	1	1	0
1	Albania	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
2	Algeria	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	1
3	Angola	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
4	Argentina	7	8	1	0	0	0	0	0

Another thought, what if we looked at the `rand` dataset and added each of the different details to this dataset? Then used clustering on both the `country_df` and the new combined `rand` data? How would clustering change between the two different datasets?

```
In [36]: years = []
for t in range(len(rand['Date'])):
    try:
        years.append(rand['Date'][t].year)
    except:
        years.append('NaN')

rand['year'] = years
```

In [37]: `rand.head(3)`

Out[37]:

	Date	City	Country	Perpetrator	Weapon	Injuries	Fatalities	Description
0	1968-02-09	Buenos Aires	Argentina	Unknown	Firearms	0	0	ARGENTINA. The second floor of the U.S. embas...
1	1968-02-12	Santo Domingo	Dominican Republic	Unknown	Explosives	0	0	DOMINICAN REPUBLIC. A homemade bomb was found...
2	1968-02-13	Montevideo	Uruguay	Unknown	Fire or Firebomb	0	0	URUGUAY. A Molotov cocktail was thrown outsid...

In [38]: `coups.head(3)`

Out[38]:

	ccode	scode	country	year	scoup1	atcoup2	pcoup3	apcoup4	agcoup	foroute)
0	700	AFG	Afghanistan	1946	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	700	AFG	Afghanistan	1947	0	0	0	0	0	0
2	700	AFG	Afghanistan	1948	0	0	0	0	0	0

In [39]: `rand.dtypes`

Out[39]:

```

Date          datetime64[ns]
City          object
Country       object
Perpetrator   object
Weapon        object
Injuries      int64
Fatalities    int64
Description   object
year          int64
dtype: object

```

```
In [40]: coups.dtypes
```

```
Out[40]: ccode      int64  
         scode      object  
         country    object  
         year       int64  
         scoup1     int64  
         atcoup2    int64  
         pcoup3     int64  
         apcoup4    int64  
         agcoup     int64  
         foroutex   int64  
         reboutex   int64  
         assassex   int64  
         resignex   int64  
         dtype: object
```

```
In [41]: # First, merge the rand and coups datasets
inc_df = rand.merge(coups, how='inner', left_on=['Country', 'year'], right_on=
['country', 'year'])
# Now to clean up the columns and remove the data I don't want in the clusteri
ng
columns = ['ccode', 'scode', 'country']
inc_df.drop(columns, axis=1, inplace=True)

# Now, to merge inc_df and the displaced data
inc_df = inc_df.merge(displaced, how='inner', left_on=['Country', 'year'], rig
ht_on=['country', 'year'])
columns = ['ccode', 'scode', 'country']
inc_df.drop(columns, axis=1, inplace=True)

# Last, I need to merge inc_df and the fragility data
inc_df = inc_df.merge(fragility, how='inner', left_on=['Country', 'year'], rig
ht_on=['country', 'year'])
columns = ['scode', 'country', 'legit', 'seceff', 'secleg', 'poleff', 'polleg'
,
          'ecoeff', 'ecoleg', 'soceff', 'socleg']
inc_df.drop(columns, axis=1, inplace=True)

inc_df
```


Out[41]:

	Date	City	Country	Perpetrator	Weapon	Injuries	Fatalities	Desc
0	1995-01-04	NaN	Sierra Leone	Revolutionary United Front (RUF)	Unknown	0	9	SIERF LEON Swiss emplo a Frer
1	1995-01-18	Mokanji	Sierra Leone	Revolutionary United Front (RUF)	Unknown	0	0	SIERF LEON British Germ: Austr.
2	1995-01-20	Gbangbatok	Sierra Leone	Revolutionary United Front (RUF)	Unknown	0	0	SIERF LEON British one S Leon..
3	1995-01-25	Kambia	Sierra Leone	Unknown	Unknown	0	0	SIERF LEON British charity organ
4	1995-01-25	Kambia	Sierra Leone	Revolutionary United Front (RUF)	Unknown	0	0	SIERF LEON Sever six Ita and oi
5	1995-04-10	NaN	Sierra Leone	Revolutionary United Front (RUF)	Firearms	0	1	SIERF LEON convo cars belong t...
6	1995-05-18	Tombudu Town	Sierra Leone	Revolutionary United Front (RUF)	Unknown	0	0	SIERF LEON Three Lebar busine were..
7	1995-01-12	al-Ashiyah	Egypt	al-Gama'at al-Islamiyya (IG)	Firearms	6	0	EGYF Argen and fc Egypt we...

	Date	City	Country	Perpetrator	Weapon	Injuries	Fatalities	Desc
8	1995-11-07	Luxor	Egypt	al-Gama'at al-Islamiyya (IG)	Firearms	10	0	EGYP tourist from L Cairo
9	1995-11-09	Aswan	Egypt	al-Gama'at al-Islamiyya (IG)	Firearms	3	0	EGYP Islami extren opene on a ti
10	1995-11-18	Aswan	Egypt	al-Gama'at al-Islamiyya (IG)	Firearms	5	1	EGYP Suspe al-Gar al-Isla memb
11	1995-11-30	Cairo	Egypt	al-Gama'at al-Islamiyya (IG)	Firearms	0	0	EGYP Suspe al-Gar al-Isla (Islam
12	1995-01-13	Beit El	Israel	Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine ...	Firearms	0	1	ISRAE Israeli student killed dr...
13	1995-01-22	Netanya	Israel	Palestine Islamic Jihad (PIJ)	Explosives	62	22	ISRAE crowd stop a Lid, ne
14	1995-03-20	NaN	Israel	Hamas (Islamic Resistance Movement)	Explosives	0	0	ISRAE truck l with 4 pound exp...
15	1995-03-31	NaN	Israel	Hizballah	Explosives	7	1	ISRAE One Is civiliar killed
16	1995-04-21	NaN	Israel	Other	Unknown	1	0	ISRAE Palest from J crosse the...

	Date	City	Country	Perpetrator	Weapon	Injuries	Fatalities	Desc
17	1995-05-05	Qiryat Shemona	Israel	Hizballah	Explosives	3	0	ISRAEL Five Katyusha rockets fired in
18	1995-06-23	Nahariya	Israel	Hizballah	Explosives	8	1	ISRAEL Club M holiday resort Nahariya
19	1995-07-24	Tel Aviv	Israel	Hamas (Islamic Resistance Movement)	Explosives	30	6	ISRAEL bomb explosion a bus at
20	1995-08-12	NaN	Israel	Unknown	Unknown	0	0	ISRAEL heavy armed infiltration apprehended
21	1995-08-21	Jerusalem	Israel	Hamas (Islamic Resistance Movement)	Explosives	100	6	ISRAEL bomb explosion a bus Ramat
22	1995-11-27	Qiryat Shemona	Israel	Hizballah	Explosives	7	0	ISRAEL Guerrilla presu be fro Hizballah
23	1995-01-15	Angkor	Cambodia	Khmer Rouge	Firearms	1	2	CAMBODIA An An woman killed
24	1995-01-15	NaN	Turkey	Kurdish Workers Party (PKK)	Unknown	0	2	TURKEY Two Ir men v kidnappers from t

	Date	City	Country	Perpetrator	Weapon	Injuries	Fatalities	Desc
25	1995-04-21	Istanbul	Turkey	Unknown	Explosives	0	1	TURK tow tr driver killed ...
26	1995-07-14	NaN	Turkey	Kurdish Workers Party (PKK)	Unknown	0	0	TURK Japan tourist kidnap by K..
27	1995-07-14	Istanbul	Turkey	Devrimci Halk Kurtulus Cephesi (DHKP/C)	Unknown	0	0	TURK The G Tower histori tourist
28	1995-08-27	Istanbul	Turkey	Unknown	Explosives	8	0	TURK bombi restau the Ak
29	1995-08-27	Istanbul	Turkey	Kurdish Islamic Unity Party	Explosives	30	2	TURK Two b plane trash explo.
...
27615	2008-08-19	Mersin	Turkey	Kurdistan Freedom Falcons	Explosives	14	0	On 19 August vehicle under Turkis police
27616	2008-08-20	Yuksekoa	Turkey	Kurdish Workers Party	Firearms	2	0	On 20 August allege militar on fo..
27617	2008-08-21	Izmir	Turkey	Kurdistan Freedom Falcons	Remote- detonated explosive	16	0	On the mornin 21 Au car ex on...

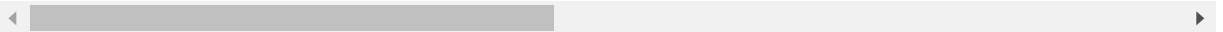
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27618	2008-09-21	Dogantas	Turkey	Kurdistan Workers Party	Unknown	0	0	On 21 Septe a gro militar stoppe
27619	2008-10-08	Azizye	Turkey	Freedom Hawks of Kurdistan	Firearms	18	5	On 8 Octob Kurdis forces a bus
27620	2008-10-11	Sisli	Turkey	Kurdish Workers Party	Explosives	0	0	On 11 Octob Turkis police officer arrest
27621	2008-10-19	Istanbul	Turkey	Unknown	Explosives	0	0	On 19 Octob 9pm a explos inside
27622	2008-10-20	Istanbul	Turkey	Unknown	Explosives	0	0	On 20 Octob bomb deton: outsid
27623	2008-10-27	Kadikoy	Turkey	Unknown	Explosives	0	0	At 11p 27 Oc a congrena wa...
27624	2008-10-27	Istanbul	Turkey	Unknown	Explosives	0	0	On 27 Octob Turkis authori deton: ...
27625	2008-11-01	Hakkari	Turkey	Unknown	Explosives	2	0	On 1 Nover bomb deton: a rulin

	Date	City	Country	Perpetrator	Weapon	Injuries	Fatalities	Desc
27626	2008-11-05	Cukurca	Turkey	Unknown	Explosives	0	0	On 5 Nover bomb explo the ru Ju...
27627	2008-11-11	Cukurca	Turkey	Other	Remote-detonated explosive	0	0	On 11 Nover Turkis author foiled
27628	2008-11-21	Taskoy	Turkey	People's Congress of Kurdistan	Explosives	0	0	On 21 Nover the Ku worke party
27629	2008-11-27	Hatay	Turkey	Kurdish Workers Party	Firearms	4	2	On 27 Nover Kurdis Worke Party militar
27630	2008-12-02	Istanbul	Turkey	Revolutionary Headquarters	Explosives	10	0	On 2 Decer what i thougl have l p...
27631	2008-12-06	Istanbul	Turkey	Unknown	Explosives	2	0	On 6 Decer concu bomb explo fr...
27632	2008-12-08	Van	Turkey	Unknown	Explosives	0	0	On 8 Decer an exp occur front c
27633	2008-06-28	Tripoli	Lebanon	Unknown	Remote-detonated explosive	20	2	An ex placec entrar five ...

	Date	City	Country	Perpetrator	Weapon	Injuries	Fatalities	Desc
27634	2008-08-13	Tripoli	Lebanon	Unknown	Explosives	40	19	On the mornii August 2008, bomb
27635	2008-07-16	Amman	Jordan	Other	Firearms	6	0	On Ju an Ara Israeli woma Leban
27636	2008-08-17	Baku	Azerbaijan	Forest Brothers	Explosives	13	3	Two grena were 1 into th Bakr r
27637	2008-08-22	Baku	Azerbaijan	Unknown	Explosives	2	2	An ex occur power subst in...
27638	2008-08-22	Baku	Azerbaijan	Forest Brothers	Explosives	0	2	An ex occur an ele subst
27639	2008-08-28	La Paz	Bolivia	Unknown	Explosives	0	0	On Au 28, 20 small was th at ...
27640	2008-09-16	Cochabamba	Bolivia	Unknown	Explosives	0	0	On Septe 16, 20 small explo at...
27641	2008-12-18	Santa Cruz	Bolivia	Other	Explosives	0	0	A bom explo a buik occup Atla...

	Date	City	Country	Perpetrator	Weapon	Injuries	Fatalities	Desc
27642	2008-09-27	Damascus	Syria	Unknown	Explosives	14	17	At 8:4 on 27 Septe a car contain r...
27643	2008-10-10	Huancavelica	Peru	Shining Path	Firearms	0	14	On Oc 10, 20 Shining memb attac..
27644	2008-11-02	Vicenza	Italy	Unknown	Explosives	0	0	On Nover 2008 : exploce the Vi

27645 rows × 24 columns



One thing to note about this newly merged data, since it was an inner merge, we only kept the data that we have across all of the different datasets. Because of this, the data starts in 1995 rather than earlier. But now that we have our two datasets, the `country_df` and `inc_df`, we can start working on clustering the data.

To start with, I will be using k-Means Clustering.

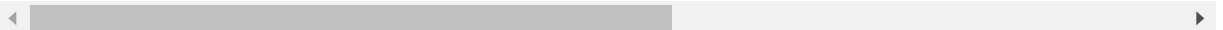
Feature Reduction - Principal Component Analysis

Before we jump right into working the k-Meas Clustering, I want to first reduce the number of features in `country_df` down to two for ease of visualization.

In [42]: `country_df.head(3)`

Out[42]:

	country	scoup1	atcoup2	pcoup3	apcoup4	agcoup	foroutex	reboutex	assasse
0	Afghanistan	5	6	0	1	0	1	1	0
1	Albania	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
2	Algeria	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	1




```
In [43]: country_midstep = country_df[['scoup1', 'atcoup2', 'pcoup3', 'apcoup4', 'agcoup', 'foroutex',
                                     'reboutex', 'assassex', 'resignex', 'total_coups',
                                     'source',
                                     'host', 'sfi', 'injuries', 'fatalities']]
```

```
In [44]: country_pca = PCA(n_components=2)
fit = country_pca.fit(country_midstep)
print("Explained Variance: %s" % fit.explained_variance_ratio_)
print(fit.components_)
```

```
Explained Variance: [0.50168516 0.3573909 ]
[[ 4.22469591e-05  7.92427931e-05  6.13192751e-06  1.23676555e-05
   -3.93914719e-06  9.46807924e-06  8.52039093e-06  4.26396014e-06
   -5.40450519e-07  1.57762168e-04  9.77795602e-01  9.71018122e-02
    2.40115503e-04  1.61162740e-01  9.22685132e-02]
 [ 1.68732197e-05  2.67013986e-05  2.74957359e-05  3.70244865e-06
   -4.91801548e-07 -1.84372953e-06 -3.25660568e-06  3.75802627e-06
    2.22745750e-05  9.52132674e-05 -1.20379958e-01  9.85508042e-01
    1.12831411e-04  1.10442913e-01  4.56607503e-02]]
```

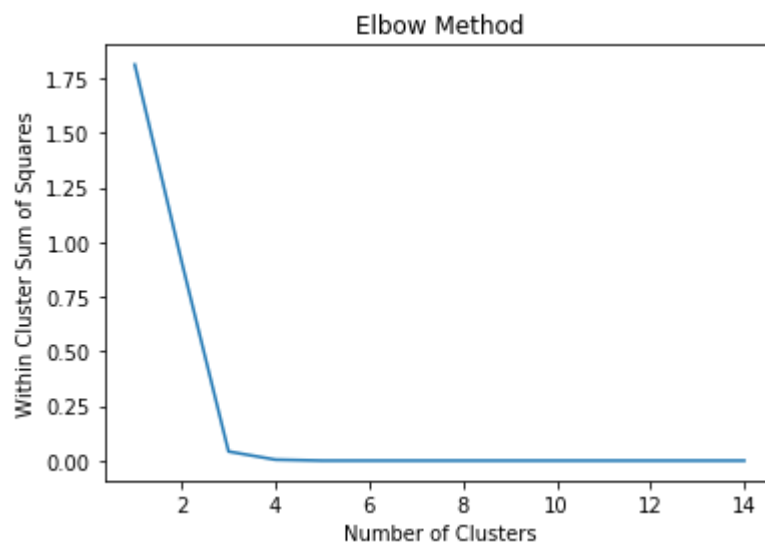
We know that reducing the features down to two features means we lose most of the individual details of the different variables, but we can use this to help find the optimal k for our k-Means Clustering.

Optimal K

To find the Optimal k value, I will be using the Elbow Method.

```
In [45]: col1 = fit.components_[0]
col2 = fit.components_[1]
data = {'col1':col1, 'col2':col2}
pca_df = pd.DataFrame(data=data)
```

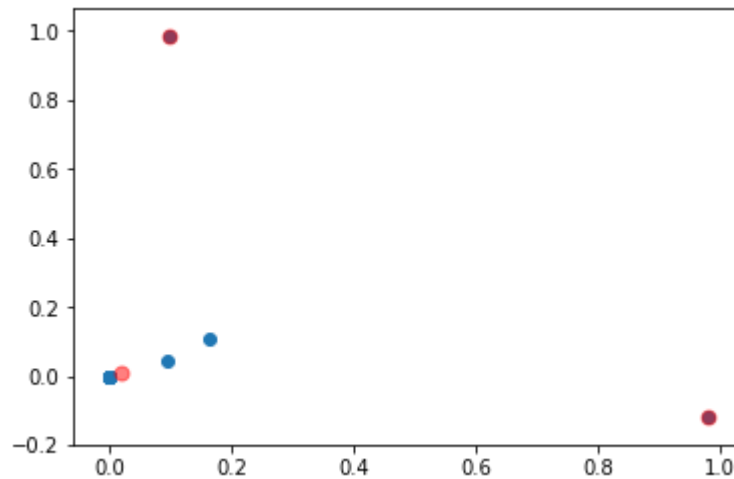
```
In [46]: test = []
for i in range(1, 15):
    kmeans = KMeans(n_clusters=i, init='k-means++', max_iter=300, n_init=10, random_state=0)
    kmeans.fit(pca_df)
    test.append(kmeans.inertia_)
plt.plot(range(1,15), test)
plt.title('Elbow Method')
plt.xlabel('Number of Clusters')
plt.ylabel('Within Cluster Sum of Squares')
plt.show()
```



Well now, that's pretty definitive for the PCA data. The optimal number of clusters is 3. Let's see what the clusters look like in two dimensions.

```
In [47]: kmeans = KMeans(n_clusters=3, init='k-means++', max_iter=300, n_init=10, random_state=0)
pred_y = kmeans.fit_predict(pca_df)

plt.scatter(pca_df['col1'], pca_df['col2'])
plt.scatter(kmeans.cluster_centers_[0], kmeans.cluster_centers_[1], s=50, c='red', alpha=.5)
plt.show()
```



Ah, it makes sense why the optimal number of clusters is 3 for the PCA data. But how about the full data? Would we get the same "elbow" and the same clustering?

```
In [48]: elbow_test = []
         for i in range(1,20):
             kmeans = KMeans(n_clusters=i, init='k-means++', max_iter=300, n_init=10, random_state=0)
             kmeans.fit(country_midstep)
             elbow_test.append(kmeans.inertia_)
         plt.plot(range(1,20), elbow_test)
         plt.title("Elbow Test Using All Country Data")
         plt.xlabel('Number of Clusters')
         plt.ylabel('Within Cluster Sum of Squares')
         plt.show()
```

```
In [50]: data = {'country':country_df['country'], 'group':group}
          k_means_country = pd.DataFrame(data=data)
          print(k_means_country.sort_values('group'))
```

	country	group
117	Syria	0
69	Lebanon	0
113	Sudan	0
120	Tanzania	0
121	Thailand	0
129	United States	0
126	Uganda	0
0	Afghanistan	1
55	Iran	2
92	Pakistan	2
62	Jordan	2
53	India	2
56	Iraq	3
74	Macedonia	4
70	Lesotho	4
93	Panama	4
91	Norway	4
90	Nigeria	4
89	Niger	4
88	Nicaragua	4
87	New Zealand	4
86	Netherlands	4
85	Nepal	4
72	Libya	4
82	Morocco	4
75	Madagascar	4
81	Mongolia	4
80	Moldova	4
79	Mexico	4
94	Paraguay	4
..
57	Ireland	4
54	Indonesia	4
52	Hungary	4
51	Honduras	4
50	Haiti	4
33	Ecuador	4
48	Guinea	4
49	Guyana	4
46	Greece	4
35	El Salvador	4
45	Ghana	4
44	Germany	4
43	Georgia	4
36	Eritrea	4
42	Gabon	4
41	France	4
47	Guatemala	4
40	Finland	4
39	Fiji	4
37	Estonia	4
133	Vietnam	5
3	Angola	5
71	Liberia	5
58	Israel	5
10	Bangladesh	5

109	Somalia	5
83	Mozambique	5
18	Burundi	5
38	Ethiopia	5
102	Rwanda	5

[137 rows x 2 columns]

Hmmm, interesting. Some of the countries are grouped together in ways I wouldn't have expected. I've saved the data to disc to create a visualizations of each country's grouping in Tableau.



Here we can see the Tableau mapping of the groupings. What I find interesting is that there does appear to be a gradual gradient to the adjacent countries. What I mean by this is that Group 0 is usually adjacent to Group 1 or 2, Group 1 is adjacent to either Group 0 or 3, and so on. The main exception to this is the United States. The US is grouped with Group 0 but is surrounded by Group 4 countries. It seems like geographic location is not the only indicator of terrorism.

But let's now look at the `inc_df` data, which contains each individual terrorist attack since 1995. I'm curious as to how the full data is grouped and how the attacks are grouped together when sorted by weapon type.

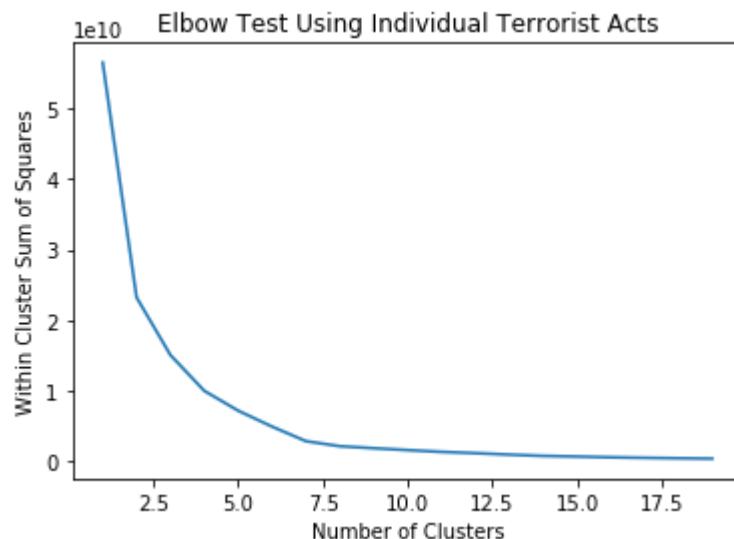
Total `inc_df` Data

First up is looking at the total `inc_df` data. The first thing we'll do is see if we can determine what the best value of `k` is using the Elbow Method again.

```
In [51]: inc_df.columns
```

```
Out[51]: Index(['Date', 'City', 'Country', 'Perpetrator', 'Weapon', 'Injuries',
               'Fatalities', 'Description', 'year', 'scoup1', 'atcoup2', 'pcoup3',
               'apcoup4', 'agcoup', 'foroutex', 'reboutex', 'assassex', 'resignex',
               'source', 'idp', 'host', 'region', 'sfi', 'effect'],
              dtype='object')
```

```
In [52]: inc_midstep1 = inc_df[['Country','Injuries','Fatalities', 'year', 'scoup1', 'a
tcoup2',
                                'pcoup3', 'apcoup4', 'agcoup', 'foroutex', 'reboutex',
                                'assassex', 'resignex', 'source', 'idp', 'host',
                                'sfi', 'effect']]
inc_midstep1 = inc_midstep1.dropna()
inc_midstep2 = inc_midstep1.drop('Country', axis=1)
elbow_test = []
for i in range(1,20):
    kmeans = KMeans(n_clusters=i, init='k-means++', max_iter=300, n_init=10,
                    random_state=0)
    kmeans.fit(inc_midstep2)
    elbow_test.append(kmeans.inertia_)
plt.plot(range(1,20), elbow_test)
plt.title("Elbow Test Using Individual Terrorist Acts")
plt.xlabel('Number of Clusters')
plt.ylabel('Within Cluster Sum of Squares')
plt.show()
```



This graph looks pretty similar to the last Elbow Test, so we will continue using 6 clusters to keep it the same.

Next up is to run k-Means Clustering.

```
In [53]: kmeans = KMeans(n_clusters=6, init='k-means++', max_iter=300, n_init=10,
                        random_state=0)
group = kmeans.fit_predict(inc_midstep2)
print(group)

[0 0 0 ... 5 0 0]
```

Now let's put the data together into a single DataFrame.


```
In [54]: data = {'country':inc_midstep1['Country'], 'year':inc_midstep1['year'],  
               'cluster':group}  
inc_cluster_df = pd.DataFrame(data=data)  
inc_cluster_df
```

Out[54]:

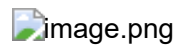
	country	year	cluster
0	Sierra Leone	1995	0
1	Sierra Leone	1995	0
2	Sierra Leone	1995	0
3	Sierra Leone	1995	0
4	Sierra Leone	1995	0
5	Sierra Leone	1995	0
6	Sierra Leone	1995	0
7	Egypt	1995	0
8	Egypt	1995	0
9	Egypt	1995	0
10	Egypt	1995	0
11	Egypt	1995	0
12	Israel	1995	0
13	Israel	1995	0
14	Israel	1995	0
15	Israel	1995	0
16	Israel	1995	0
17	Israel	1995	0
18	Israel	1995	0
19	Israel	1995	0
20	Israel	1995	0
21	Israel	1995	0
22	Israel	1995	0
23	Cambodia	1995	0
24	Turkey	1995	4
25	Turkey	1995	4
26	Turkey	1995	4
27	Turkey	1995	4
28	Turkey	1995	4
29	Turkey	1995	4
...
27615	Turkey	2008	0

	country	year	cluster
27616	Turkey	2008	0
27617	Turkey	2008	0
27618	Turkey	2008	0
27619	Turkey	2008	0
27620	Turkey	2008	0
27621	Turkey	2008	0
27622	Turkey	2008	0
27623	Turkey	2008	0
27624	Turkey	2008	0
27625	Turkey	2008	0
27626	Turkey	2008	0
27627	Turkey	2008	0
27628	Turkey	2008	0
27629	Turkey	2008	0
27630	Turkey	2008	0
27631	Turkey	2008	0
27632	Turkey	2008	0
27633	Lebanon	2008	0
27634	Lebanon	2008	0
27635	Jordan	2008	0
27636	Azerbaijan	2008	0
27637	Azerbaijan	2008	0
27638	Azerbaijan	2008	0
27639	Bolivia	2008	0
27640	Bolivia	2008	0
27641	Bolivia	2008	0
27642	Syria	2008	5
27643	Peru	2008	0
27644	Italy	2008	0

27634 rows × 3 columns

When all of the data is used, we get the following graphs for the following years:

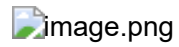
1995:



1996:



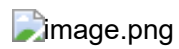
1997:



1998:



1999:



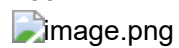
2000:



2001:



2002:



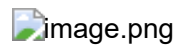
2003:



2004:



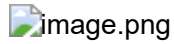
2005:



2006:



2007:



2008:



Here are all of the different years. But how are they grouped when all of the different years are combined?

1995-2008:



What I find interesting is that most of the different countries were placed into similar clusters when we look at all of the individual terrorist attacks as when we looked at the combination of the data. One of the big differences, once again, is the United States. When compared to each individual terrorist attack, the US is grouped along with Canada and Mexico.

What really fascinates me is that the region coding of each country was removed from the data before the k-Means Clustering was completed. But we can still see the different clusters do seem to correspond to geographical regions.

Further Research

Further research can be done into how the different acts of terrorism are clustered together based on what type of weapon is used.

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