DTSA 5301 (Data Science as a Field)

Final Project 1: NYPD Shooting Incident

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What: This is a reproducible project which looks the historical shooting incident data collected and provided by New York City Police Department (NYPD)

Why: The purpose of this project is to attempt to extract meaningful insights from the data studied, with hope to better inform the viewer about the subject of gun violence.

Project Overview

Source Data Name: .csv File NYPD Shooting Incident (Historical)

Source Data Url:

https://data.cityofnewyork.us/api/views/833y-fsy8/rows.csv?accessType=DOWNLOAD

About the Source Data

<u>Url</u>:

https://github.com/aaronchanboulder/dtsa5301

GitHub Project Repository

15 years worth of data

Over 23K incidents captured

Averaging over 4 incidents per day!

40.3% of it took place in Brooklyn

2020 saw record 200.8% yearly spike July and August are the worst months

Black made up of 41.8% of the perpetrators as well as 71.5% of the victims' race Due to incomplete data, 43.7% of perpetrators race remain unknown

Several short-term spikes were observed in the data having tied to events at the time, e.g. the George Floyd Incident '20

- Research outcome can gain more insights with additional supporting data, such as demographic and income level information for folks who live in the New York City.
- Potential comparative studies between New York City and other large cities on shooting incident data, e.g.: Chicago, Detroit, Baltimore, etc.

Some Takeaways