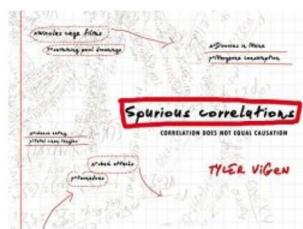


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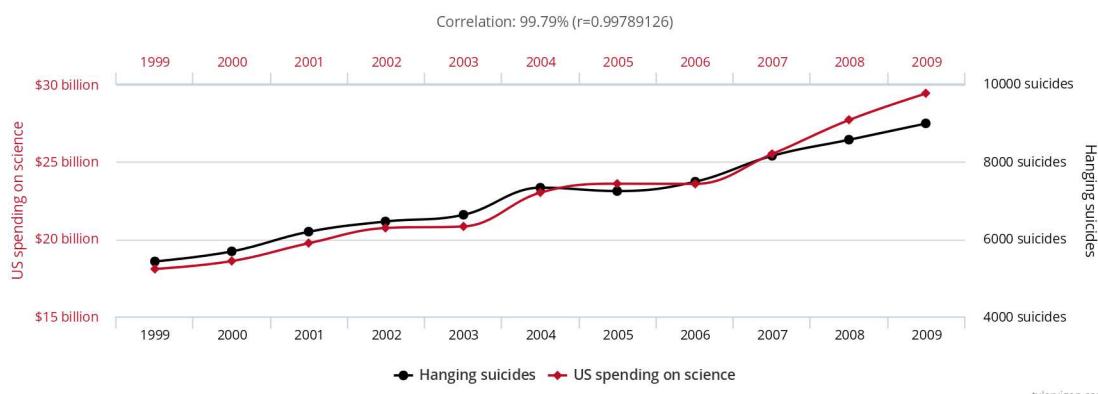
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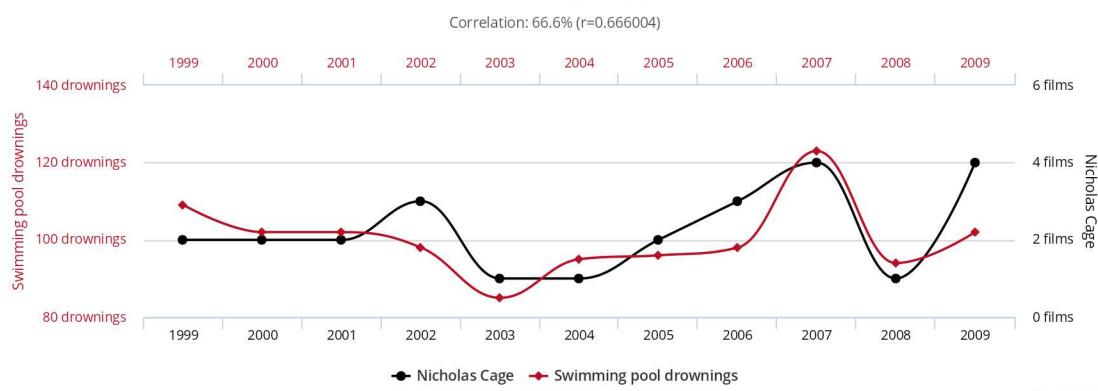
US spending on science, space, and technology
correlates with
Suicides by hanging, strangulation and suffocation



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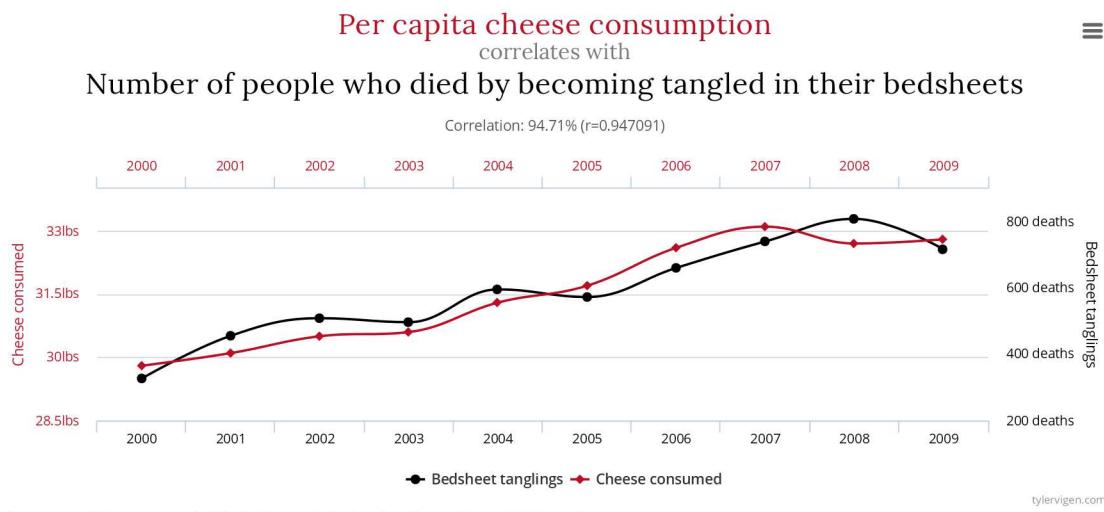
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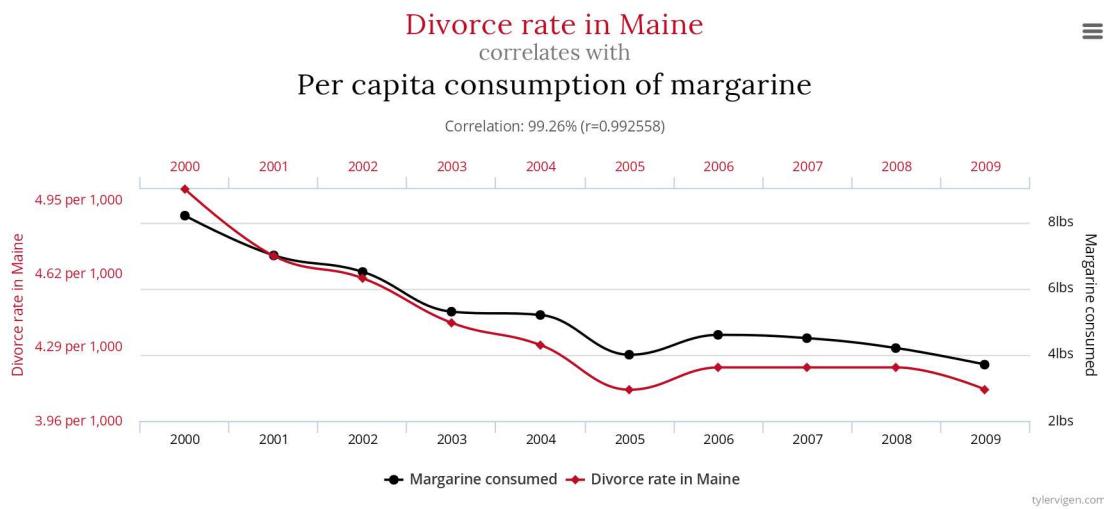
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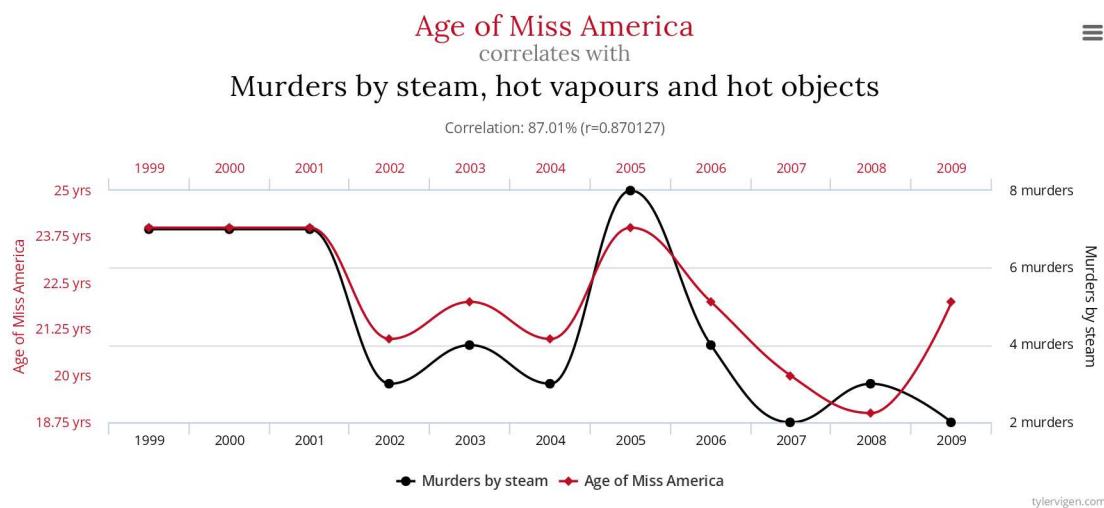
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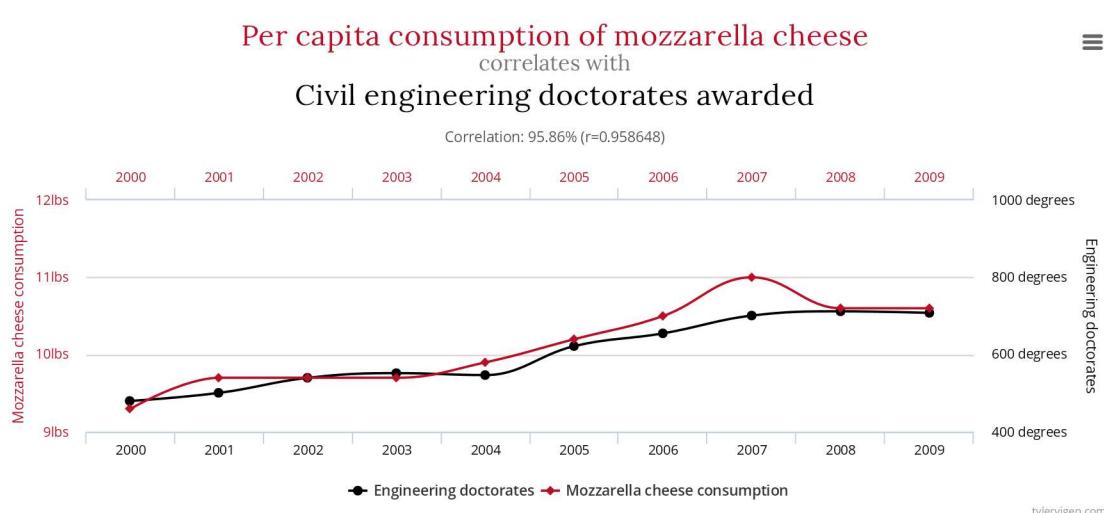
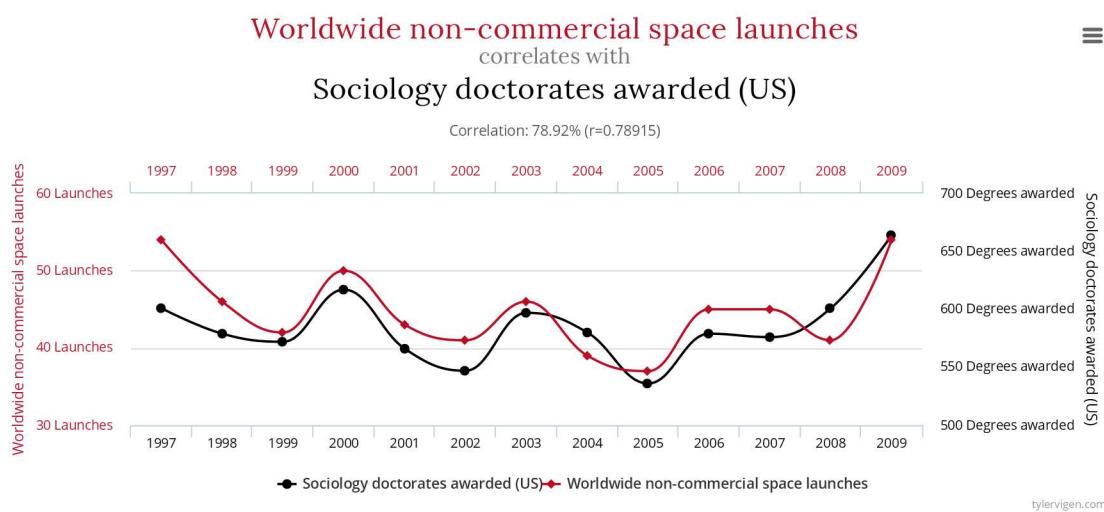
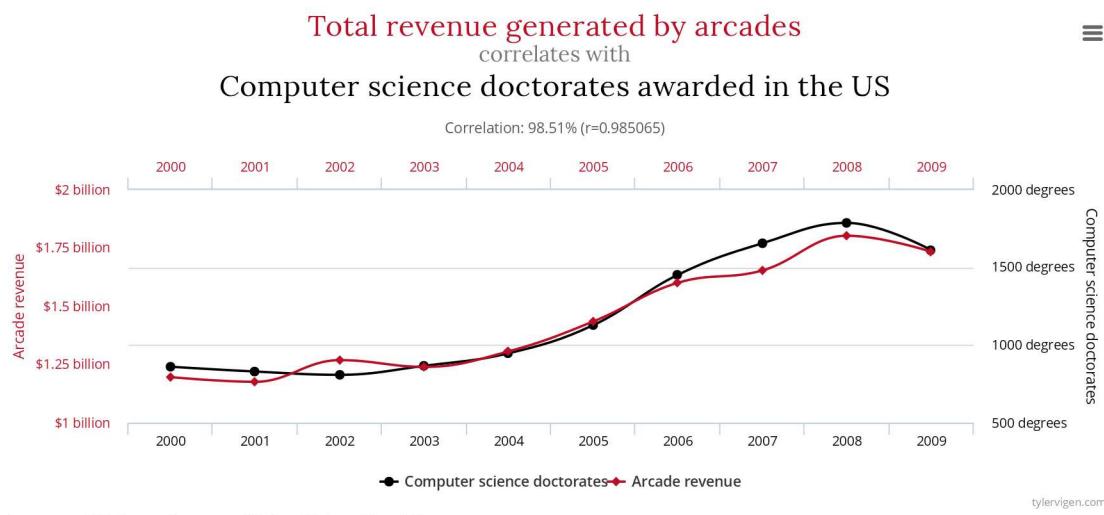
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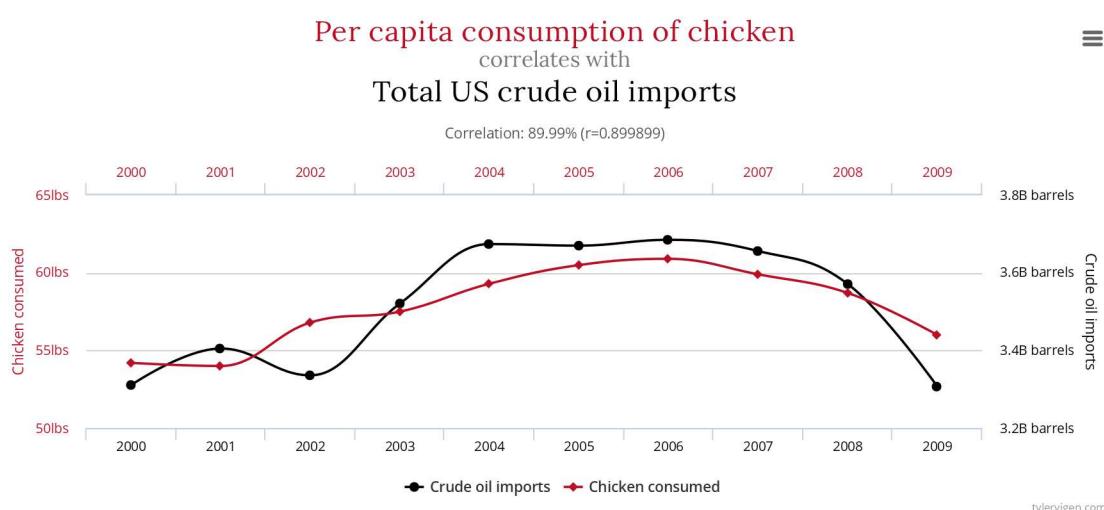
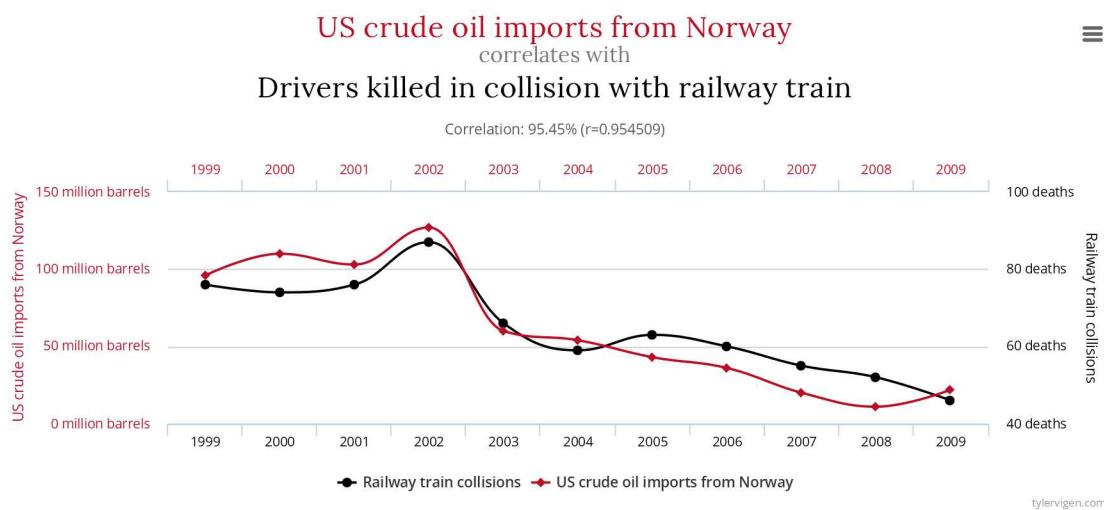
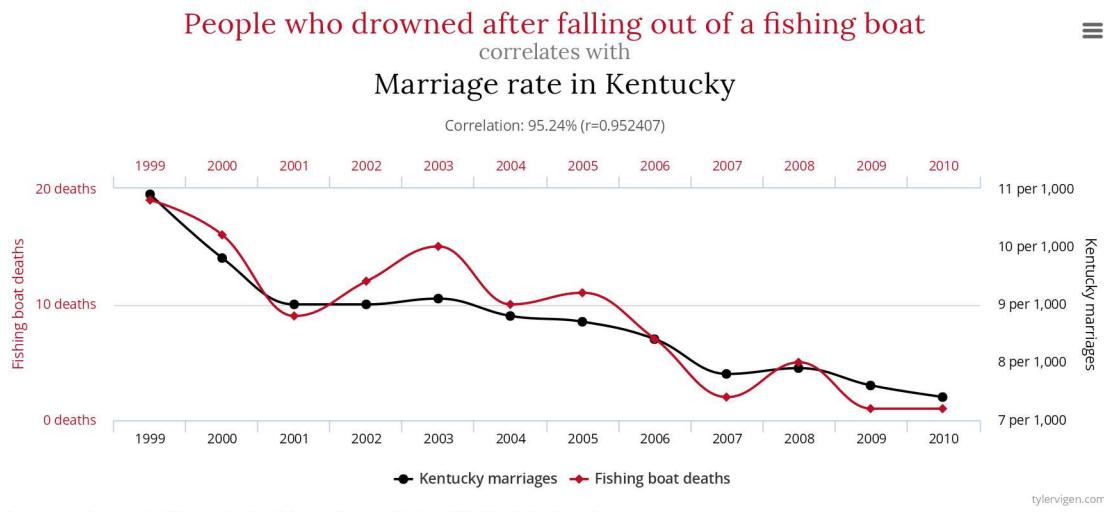
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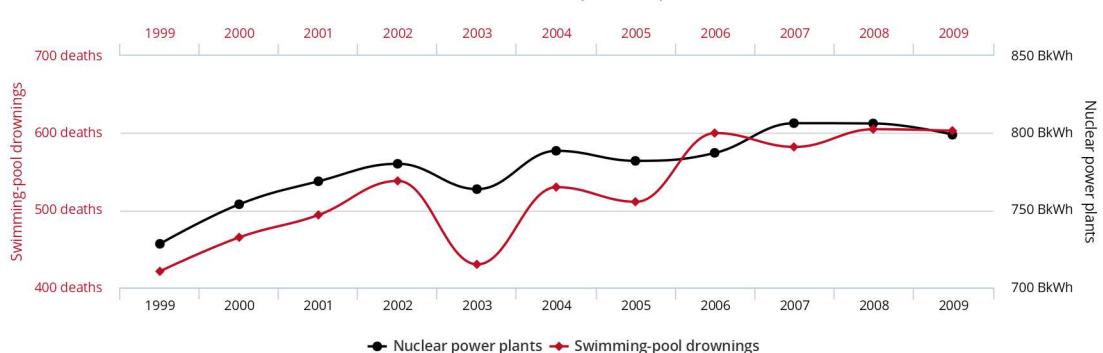
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Number people who drowned while in a swimming-pool correlates with

Power generated by US nuclear power plants

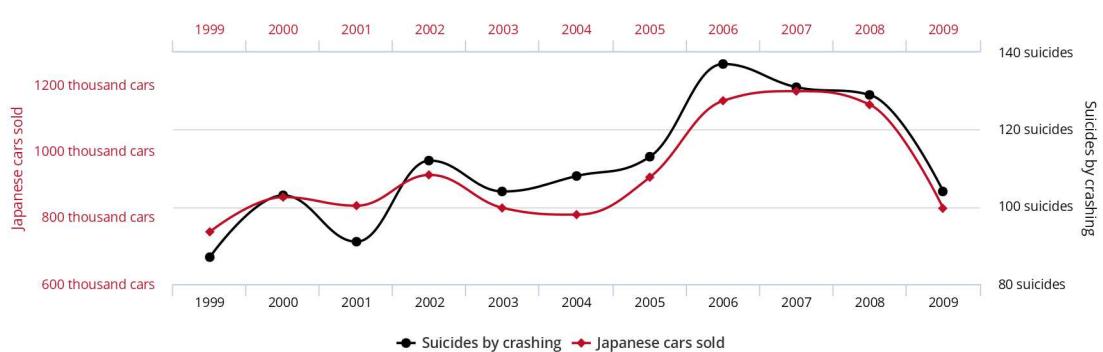
Correlation: 90.12% ($r=0.901179$)

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Japanese passenger cars sold in the US correlates with

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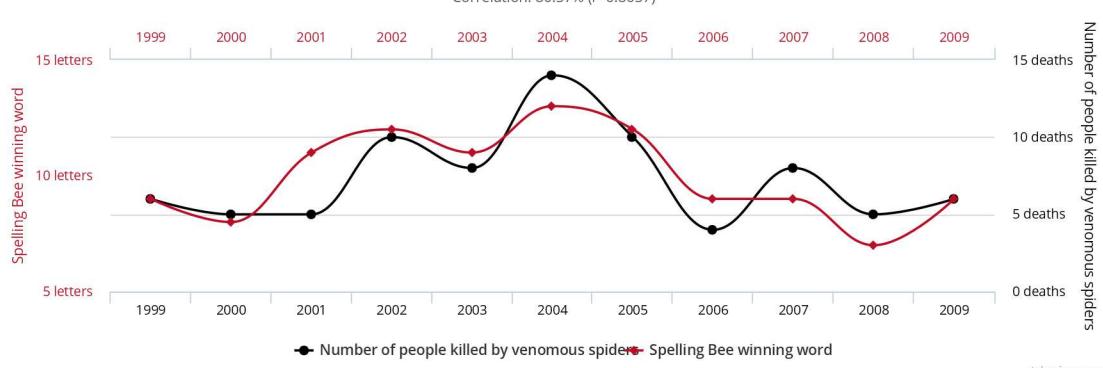
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Letters in Winning Word of Scripps National Spelling Bee correlates with

Number of people killed by venomous spiders

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Math doctorates awarded correlates with Uranium stored at US nuclear power plants

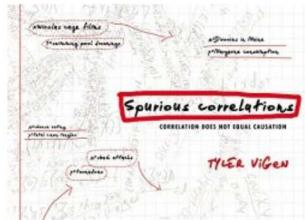
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