

SEEK

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```
# Load necessary libraries
```

```
library(readxl)
library(ggplot2)
```

```
## Warning: package 'ggplot2' was built under R version 4.2.3
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```
library(stats)
library(corrplot)
```

```
## Warning: package 'corrplot' was built under R version 4.2.3
```

```
## corrplot 0.92 loaded
```

```
# Read the Excel sheets into data frames
```

```
jobdf <- readxl::read_excel(path = '../Data/Seek_NZ_data_01-07-2023.xlsx',
                             sheet = 'SEEK Job Ad Index')
```

```
appdf <- readxl::read_excel(path = '../Data/Seek_NZ_data_01-07-2023.xlsx',
                             sheet = 'SEEK Applications per Ad Index')
```

```
# Converting dates into dates
```

```
head(jobdf)
```

```
## # A tibble: 6 x 9
```

```
##   DATE                COUNTRY    STATE ADS_SA_INDEX ADS_TREND_INDEX
##   <dtm>              <chr>      <chr>      <dbl>      <dbl>
## 1 2002-01-01 00:00:00 New Zealand Total        23.4        23.0
## 2 2002-02-01 00:00:00 New Zealand Total        22.8        23.3
## 3 2002-03-01 00:00:00 New Zealand Total        23.8        23.8
## 4 2002-04-01 00:00:00 New Zealand Total        21.7        24.4
## 5 2002-05-01 00:00:00 New Zealand Total        24.8        25.2
## 6 2002-06-01 00:00:00 New Zealand Total        28.4        26.2
## # i 4 more variables: ADS_SA_GROWTH_MONTH <dbl>, ADS_SA_GROWTH_PCP <dbl>,
## #   ADS_TREND_GROWTH_MONTH <dbl>, ADS_TREND_GROWTH_PCP <dbl>
```

```
jobdf$DATE <- as.Date(jobdf$DATE)
appdf$DATE <- as.Date(appdf$DATE)
```

```
# Check for missing values
sum(is.na(jobdf))
```

```
## [1] 0
```

```
sum(is.na(appdf))
```

```
## [1] 0
```

```
# Check for duplicates
sum(duplicated(jobdf))
```

```
## [1] 0
```

```
sum(duplicated(appdf))
```

```
## [1] 0
```

```
# Check data types
str(jobdf)
```

```
## tibble [1,806 x 9] (S3: tbl_df/tbl/data.frame)
## $ DATE : Date[1:1806], format: "2002-01-01" "2002-02-01" ...
## $ COUNTRY : chr [1:1806] "New Zealand" "New Zealand" "New Zealand" "New Zealand" ...
## $ STATE : chr [1:1806] "Total" "Total" "Total" "Total" ...
## $ ADS_SA_INDEX : num [1:1806] 23.4 22.8 23.8 21.7 24.8 ...
## $ ADS_TREND_INDEX : num [1:1806] 23 23.3 23.8 24.4 25.2 ...
## $ ADS_SA_GROWTH_MONTH : num [1:1806] 0 -0.0235 0.0423 -0.0895 0.1458 ...
## $ ADS_SA_GROWTH_PCP : num [1:1806] 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 ...
## $ ADS_TREND_GROWTH_MONTH: num [1:1806] 0 0.0137 0.0213 0.0273 0.0338 ...
## $ ADS_TREND_GROWTH_PCP : num [1:1806] 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 ...
```

```
str(appdf)
```

```
## tibble [1,295 x 9] (S3: tbl_df/tbl/data.frame)
## $ DATE : Date[1:1295], format: "2008-02-01" "2008-03-01" ...
## $ COUNTRY : chr [1:1295] "New Zealand" "New Zealand" "New Zealand" "New Zealand" ...
## $ STATE : chr [1:1295] "Total" "Total" "Total" "Total" ...
## $ CA_SA_INDEX : num [1:1295] 28.6 44.6 49.4 46.7 49.1 ...
## $ CA_TREND_INDEX : num [1:1295] 38.6 40.7 43.3 46.3 49.5 ...
## $ CA_SA_GROWTH_MONTH : num [1:1295] 0 0.5581 0.107 -0.0546 0.0507 ...
## $ CA_SA_GROWTH_PCP : num [1:1295] 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 ...
## $ CA_TREND_GROWTH_MONTH: num [1:1295] 0 0.0555 0.0644 0.0692 0.0697 ...
## $ CA_TREND_GROWTH_PCP : num [1:1295] 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 ...
```

```
# Summary statistics
summary(jobdf)
```

```
##      DATE          COUNTRY          STATE          ADS_SA_INDEX
## Min.   :2002-01-01   Length:1806     Length:1806     Min.    : 7.706
## 1st Qu.:2007-05-01   Class :character   Class :character   1st Qu.: 71.472
## Median :2012-09-16   Mode  :character   Mode  :character   Median :101.018
## Mean   :2012-09-15                                     Mean   :110.946
## 3rd Qu.:2018-02-01                                     3rd Qu.:136.855
## Max.   :2023-06-01                                     Max.    :368.162
## ADS_TREND_INDEX   ADS_SA_GROWTH_MONTH ADS_SA_GROWTH_PCP ADS_TREND_GROWTH_MONTH
## Min.    : 8.383    Min.    :-0.657057   Min.    :-0.7810   Min.    :-0.114924
## 1st Qu.: 72.372    1st Qu.: -0.020224   1st Qu.: 0.0000    1st Qu.: -0.001837
## Median :100.698    Median : 0.008866    Median : 0.1062    Median : 0.009577
## Mean   :110.762    Mean   : 0.015126    Mean   : 0.1670    Mean   : 0.010223
## 3rd Qu.:137.128    3rd Qu.: 0.042346    3rd Qu.: 0.2673    3rd Qu.: 0.024074
## Max.   :361.387    Max.    : 1.065244    Max.    : 4.4008    Max.    : 0.133068
## ADS_TREND_GROWTH_PCP
## Min.    :-0.5954
## 1st Qu.: 0.0000
## Median : 0.1117
## Mean   : 0.1513
## 3rd Qu.: 0.2633
## Max.    : 1.6089
```

```
summary(appdf)
```

```
##      DATE          COUNTRY          STATE          CA_SA_INDEX
## Min.   :2008-02-01   Length:1295     Length:1295     Min.    : 0.00
## 1st Qu.:2011-12-01   Class :character   Class :character   1st Qu.: 97.32
## Median :2015-10-01   Mode  :character   Mode  :character   Median :106.95
## Mean   :2015-10-01                                     Mean   :117.01
## 3rd Qu.:2019-08-01                                     3rd Qu.:123.39
## Max.   :2023-06-01                                     Max.    :438.39
## CA_TREND_INDEX   CA_SA_GROWTH_MONTH CA_SA_GROWTH_PCP CA_TREND_GROWTH_MONTH
## Min.    : 0.00    Min.    :-1.000000   Min.    :-1.00000   Min.    :-1.000000
## 1st Qu.: 97.59    1st Qu.: -0.032277   1st Qu.: -0.06326   1st Qu.: -0.011023
## Median :106.66    Median : 0.004153    Median : 0.01998    Median : 0.004995
## Mean   :116.19    Mean   : 0.009392    Mean   : 0.12595    Mean   : 0.004443
## 3rd Qu.:122.78    3rd Qu.: 0.043004    3rd Qu.: 0.16546    3rd Qu.: 0.023062
## Max.   :363.39    Max.    : 1.023829    Max.    : 3.04266    Max.    : 0.136726
## CA_TREND_GROWTH_PCP
## Min.    :-1.00000
## 1st Qu.: -0.06602
## Median : 0.01893
## Mean   : 0.11816
## 3rd Qu.: 0.15302
## Max.    : 2.12448
```

The term “seasonally adjusted over here means the data has been modified to eliminate the effect of seasonal patterns, making it easier to observe the fundamental trends over the time

Jobs

, the mean is 0.015 or 1.5% which means that there has been an average increase of 1.5% in job ad volumes from month to month over the period of time

- In the ADS_TREND_GROWTH_MONTH, the mean is 1.0%, indicating that the average month on month growth rate in the trend component of the job ad volumes. The trend component is a smooth version of original data, which only captures long term changes and filter out seasonal fluctuations and random noise

Applicatins per job ad

CA_SA_GROWTH_MONTH: 0.009 or 0.9%

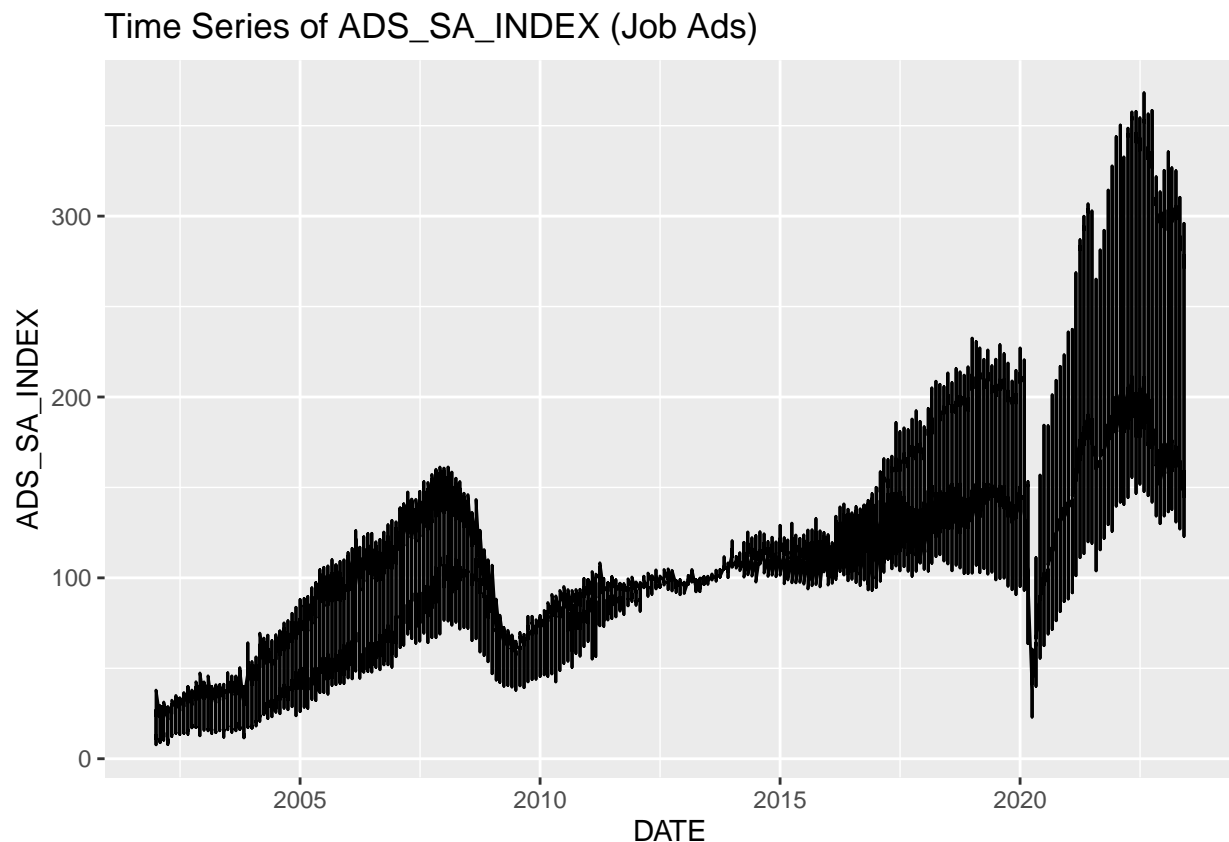
- Seasonally adjusted growth : This metric represents the average monthly growth rate in the seasonally adjusted “Applications per Ad” index. Seasonal adjustments remove the effects of seasonal patterns in the data, making it easier to observe fundamental trends and changes over time.

CA_TREND_GROWTH_MONTH: 0.004 or 0.4%

- Trend growth : This metric represents the average monthly growth rate in the trend component of the “Applications per Ad” index. The trend component captures long term changes while filtering out seasonal and random fluctuations.

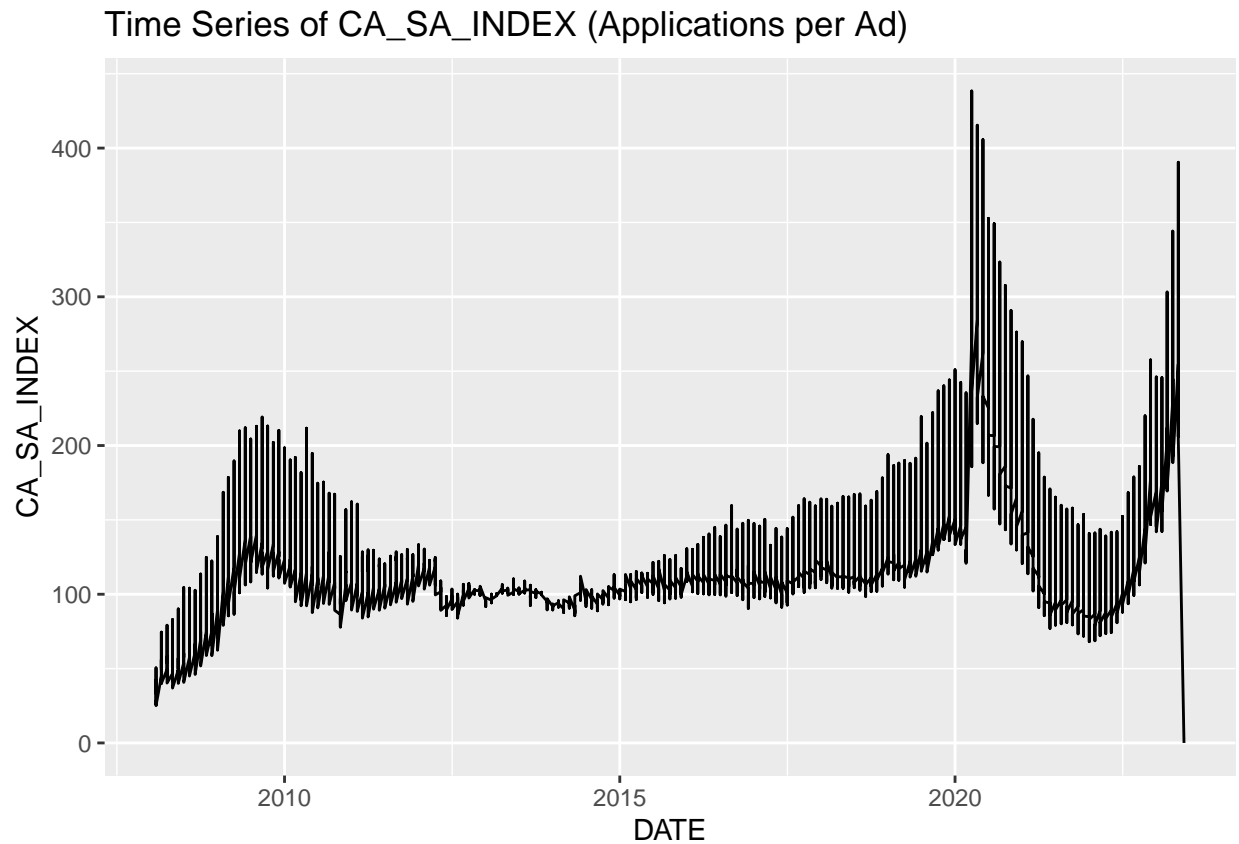
```
# Plot for jobdf (ADS_SA_INDEX)
```

```
ggplot(jobdf, aes(x=DATE, y=ADS_SA_INDEX)) + geom_line() + ggtitle("Time Series of ADS_SA_INDEX (Job Ads)
```



```
# Plot for appdf (CA_SA_INDEX)
```

```
ggplot(appdf, aes(x=DATE, y=CA_SA_INDEX)) + geom_line() + ggtitle("Time Series of CA_SA_INDEX (Applicat.
```



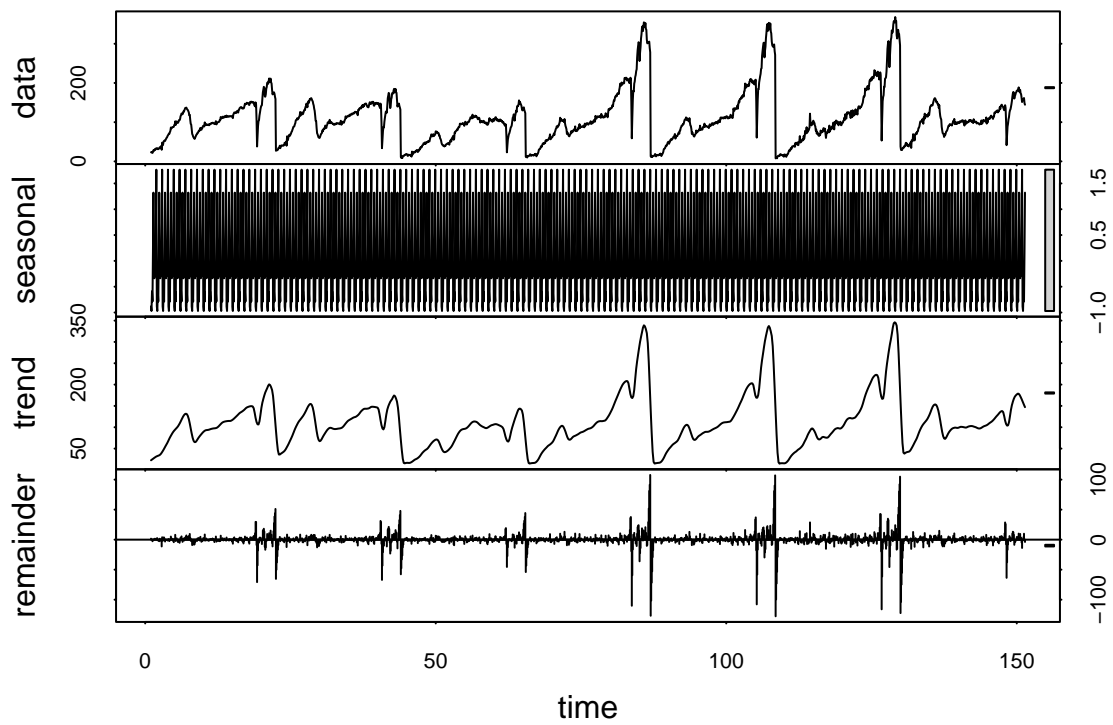
- The two major fluctuations in both the graphs are related due to economic recession in 2018 and the pandemic in 2020.
- Thee jobs ads decreases during the recession and pandemic which leads to the sudden increase in more applications per job ads.

Seasonal decomposition

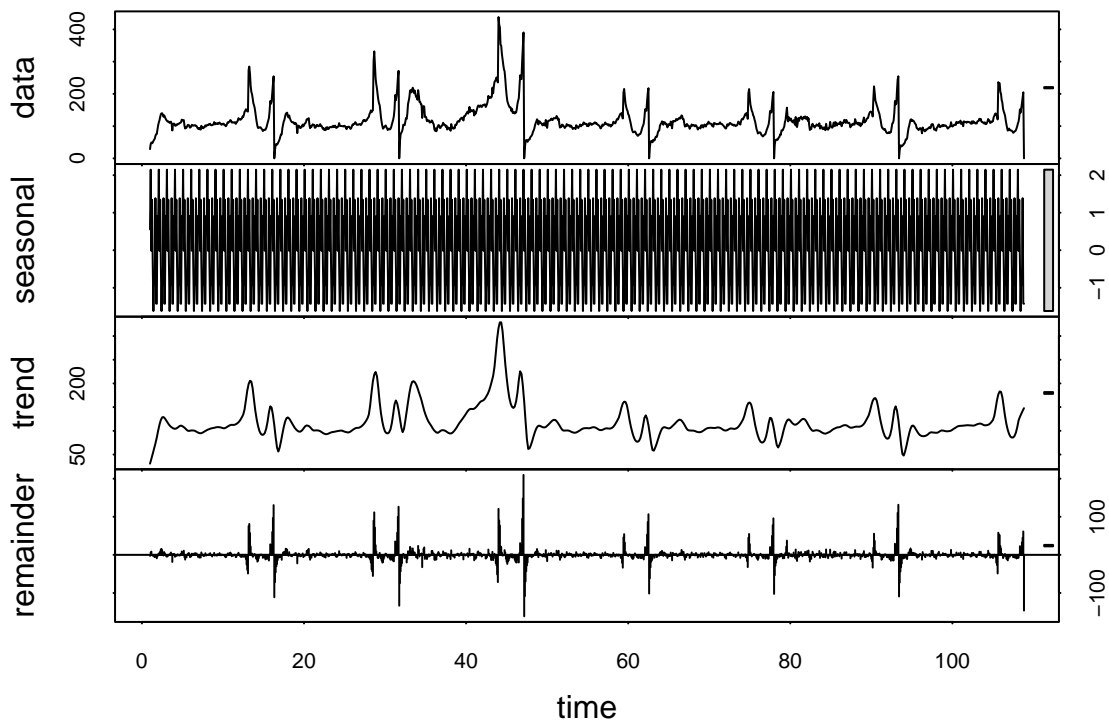
```
# Decompose the 'ADS_SA_INDEX' time series from jobdf
```

```
job_stl <- stl(ts(jobdf$ADS_SA_INDEX, frequency=12), s.window="periodic")
```

```
plot(job_stl)
```



```
# Decompose the 'CA_SA_INDEX' time series from appdf
app_stl <- stl(ts(appdf$CA_SA_INDEX, frequency=12), s.window="periodic")
plot(app_stl)
```



Correlation analysis

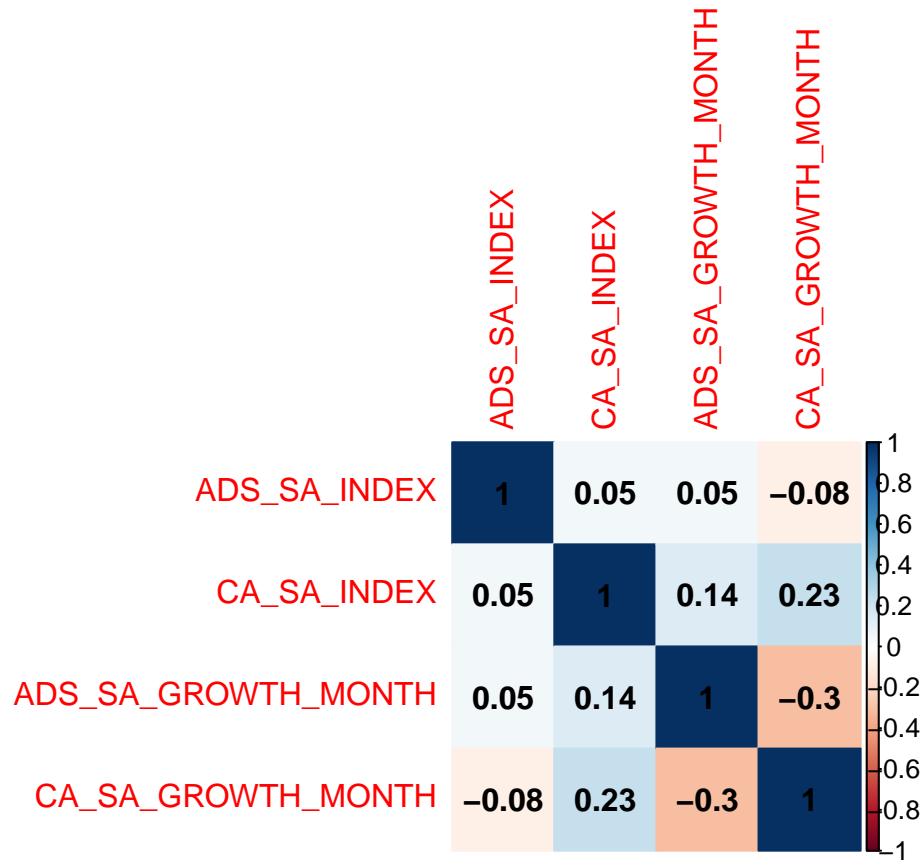
```
# Merge the data frames based on DATE
merged_df <- merge(jobdf, appdf, by="DATE")

# Calculate the correlation matrix
cor_matrix <- cor(merged_df[,c("ADS_SA_INDEX", "CA_SA_INDEX", "ADS_SA_GROWTH_MONTH", "CA_SA_GROWTH_MONTH")])

# Show the correlation matrix
print(cor_matrix)
```

```
##          ADS_SA_INDEX CA_SA_INDEX ADS_SA_GROWTH_MONTH
## ADS_SA_INDEX      1.00000000  0.05312508      0.05044988
## CA_SA_INDEX       0.05312508  1.00000000      0.14097266
## ADS_SA_GROWTH_MONTH 0.05044988  0.14097266      1.00000000
## CA_SA_GROWTH_MONTH -0.08263704  0.23194467     -0.30415249
##          CA_SA_GROWTH_MONTH
## ADS_SA_INDEX      -0.08263704
## CA_SA_INDEX       0.23194467
## ADS_SA_GROWTH_MONTH -0.30415249
## CA_SA_GROWTH_MONTH  1.00000000
```

```
# Generate the heatmap
corrplot(cor_matrix, method="color",
         addCoef.col="black") # Add correlation coefficients
```

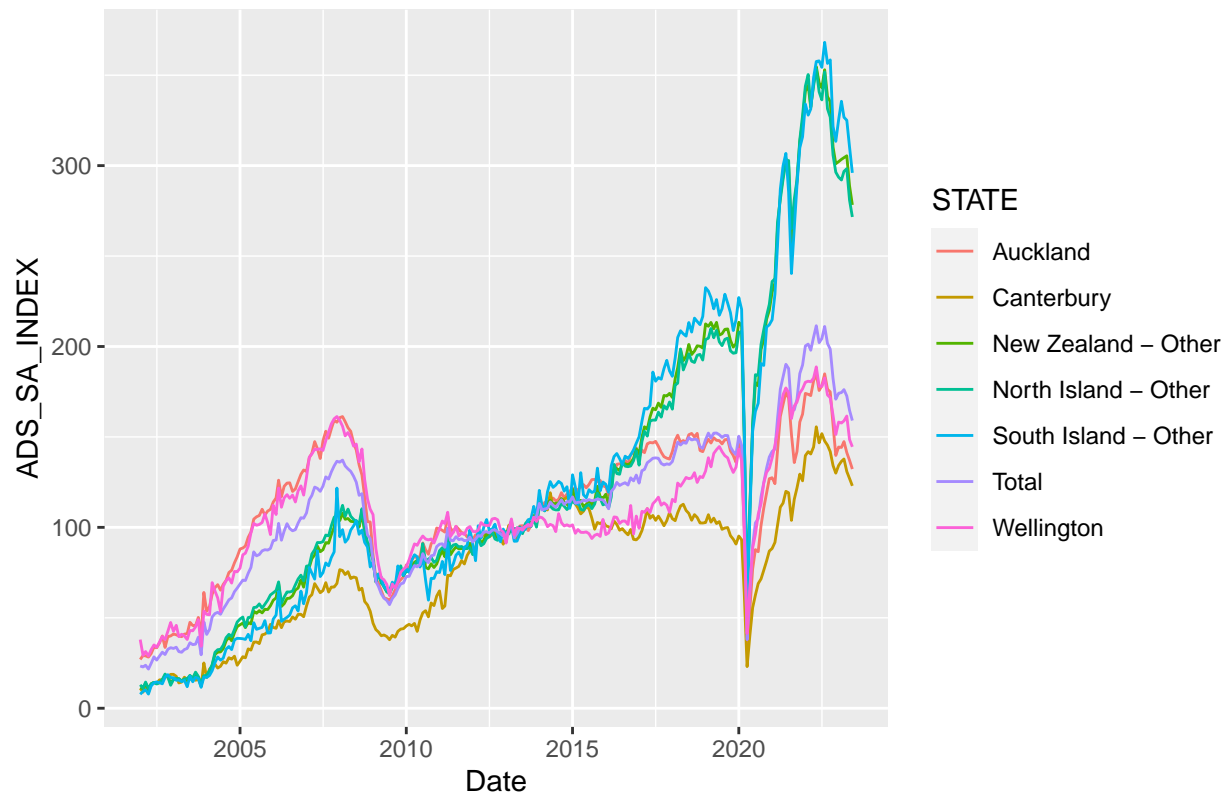


The correlation matrix and heatmap show the following relationships between the selected variables:

- ADS_SA_INDEX and CA_SA_INDEX: A low correlation of 0.05, indicating that the job ad index and the applications per ad index are not strongly related in terms of their levels.
- ADS_SA_GROWTH_MONTH and CA_SA_GROWTH_MONTH: A negative correlation of -0.304, suggesting that when the monthly growth rate of job ads goes up, the monthly growth rate of applications per ad tends to go down, or vice versa.
- ADS_SA_INDEX and ADS_SA_GROWTH_MONTH: A correlation of 0.050, indicating little to no relationship between the level and monthly growth rate of job ads.

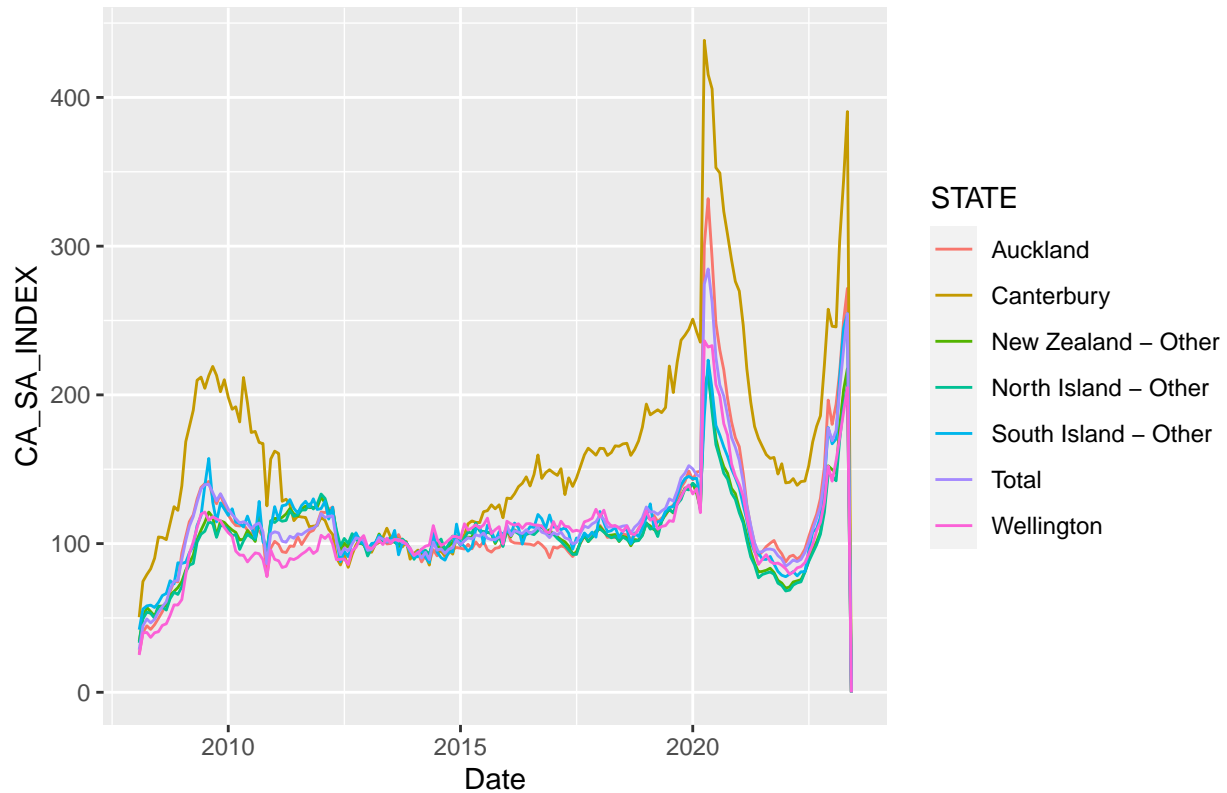
```
# Time Series Plot for ADS_SA_INDEX by STATE
ggplot(jobdf, aes(x=DATE, y=ADS_SA_INDEX, color=STATE)) +
  geom_line() +
  ggtitle("Time Series of ADS_SA_INDEX by STATE") +
  xlab("Date") +
  ylab("ADS_SA_INDEX")
```


Time Series of ADS_SA_INDEX by STATE



```
# Time Series Plot for CA_SA_INDEX by STATE
ggplot(appdf, aes(x=DATE, y=CA_SA_INDEX, color=STATE)) +
  geom_line() +
  ggtitle("Time Series of CA_SA_INDEX by STATE") +
  xlab("Date") +
  ylab("CA_SA_INDEX")
```

Time Series of CA_SA_INDEX by STATE



```
# mONTLY GROWTH RATE
```

```
head(jobdf)
```

```
## # A tibble: 6 x 9
##   DATE      COUNTRY  STATE ADS_SA_INDEX ADS_TREND_INDEX ADS_SA_GROWTH_MONTH
##   <date>    <chr>    <chr>    <dbl>         <dbl>         <dbl>
## 1 2002-01-01 New Zealand Total      23.4          23.0             0
## 2 2002-02-01 New Zealand Total      22.8          23.3          -0.0235
## 3 2002-03-01 New Zealand Total      23.8          23.8           0.0423
## 4 2002-04-01 New Zealand Total      21.7          24.4          -0.0895
## 5 2002-05-01 New Zealand Total      24.8          25.2           0.146
## 6 2002-06-01 New Zealand Total      28.4          26.2           0.145
## # i 3 more variables: ADS_SA_GROWTH_PCP <dbl>, ADS_TREND_GROWTH_MONTH <dbl>,
## #   ADS_TREND_GROWTH_PCP <dbl>
```

```
library(dplyr)
```

```
## Warning: package 'dplyr' was built under R version 4.2.3
```

```
##
```

```
## Attaching package: 'dplyr'
```

```
## The following objects are masked from 'package:stats':
```

```
##
```

```
##   filter, lag
```

```
## The following objects are masked from 'package:base':
##
## intersect, setdiff, setequal, union
```

```
jobdf$YEAR <- format(as.Date(jobdf$DATE), "%Y")
appdf$YEAR <- format(as.Date(appdf$DATE), "%Y")

head(jobdf)
```

```
## # A tibble: 6 x 10
##   DATE          COUNTRY      STATE ADS_SA_INDEX ADS_TREND_INDEX ADS_SA_GROWTH_MONTH
##   <date>         <chr>       <chr>      <dbl>         <dbl>         <dbl>
## 1 2002-01-01 New Zealand Total      23.4          23.0           0
## 2 2002-02-01 New Zealand Total      22.8          23.3          -0.0235
## 3 2002-03-01 New Zealand Total      23.8          23.8           0.0423
## 4 2002-04-01 New Zealand Total      21.7          24.4          -0.0895
## 5 2002-05-01 New Zealand Total      24.8          25.2           0.146
## 6 2002-06-01 New Zealand Total      28.4          26.2           0.145
## # i 4 more variables: ADS_SA_GROWTH_PCP <dbl>, ADS_TREND_GROWTH_MONTH <dbl>,
## #   ADS_TREND_GROWTH_PCP <dbl>, YEAR <chr>
```

```
# Calculate mean monthly growth rates for jobdf
mean_growth_jobdf_yearly <- jobdf %>%
  group_by(STATE, YEAR) %>%
  summarise(Mean_ADS_SA_GROWTH_MONTH = mean(ADS_SA_GROWTH_MONTH, na.rm=TRUE))
```

```
## 'summarise()' has grouped output by 'STATE'. You can override using the
## '.groups' argument.
```

```
# Calculate mean monthly growth rates for appdf
mean_growth_appdf_yearly <- appdf %>%
  group_by(STATE, YEAR) %>%
  summarise(Mean_CA_SA_GROWTH_MONTH = mean(CA_SA_GROWTH_MONTH, na.rm=TRUE))
```

```
## 'summarise()' has grouped output by 'STATE'. You can override using the
## '.groups' argument.
```

```
# Display mean growth rates
print(mean_growth_jobdf_yearly)
```

```
## # A tibble: 154 x 3
## # Groups:   STATE [7]
##   STATE YEAR Mean_ADS_SA_GROWTH_MONTH
##   <chr> <chr>          <dbl>
## 1 Auckland 2002      0.0369
## 2 Auckland 2003      0.0537
## 3 Auckland 2004      0.0250
## 4 Auckland 2005      0.0232
## 5 Auckland 2006      0.0160
## 6 Auckland 2007      0.0159
## 7 Auckland 2008     -0.0344
```

```
## 8 Auckland 2009 -0.0257
## 9 Auckland 2010 0.0277
## 10 Auckland 2011 -0.00254
## # i 144 more rows
```

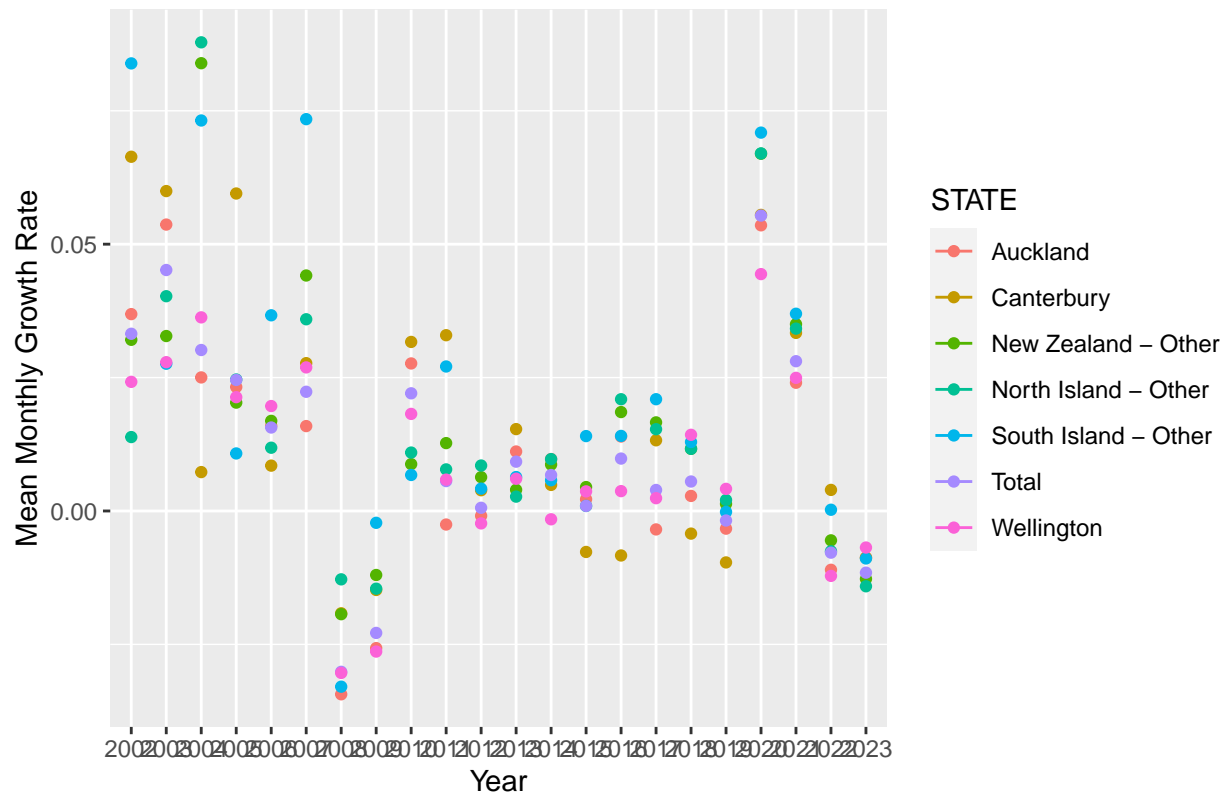
```
print(mean_growth_appdf_yearly)
```

```
## # A tibble: 112 x 3
## # Groups:   STATE [7]
##   STATE   YEAR Mean_CA_SA_GROWTH_MONTH
##   <chr>   <chr>           <dbl>
## 1 Auckland 2008         0.109
## 2 Auckland 2009         0.0480
## 3 Auckland 2010        -0.0158
## 4 Auckland 2011         0.0139
## 5 Auckland 2012        -0.00516
## 6 Auckland 2013        -0.00602
## 7 Auckland 2014         0.00280
## 8 Auckland 2015         0.00322
## 9 Auckland 2016        -0.00807
## 10 Auckland 2017         0.0151
## # i 102 more rows
```

```
# Plot the mean monthly growth rates for each year for different states (Job Ads)
ggplot(mean_growth_jobdf_yearly, aes(x=YEAR, y=Mean_ADS_SA_GROWTH_MONTH, color=STATE)) +
  geom_line() +
  geom_point() +
  ggtitle("Mean Monthly Growth Rates by Year for Different States (Job Ads)") +
  xlab("Year") +
  ylab("Mean Monthly Growth Rate")
```

```
## 'geom_line()': Each group consists of only one observation.
## i Do you need to adjust the group aesthetic?
```

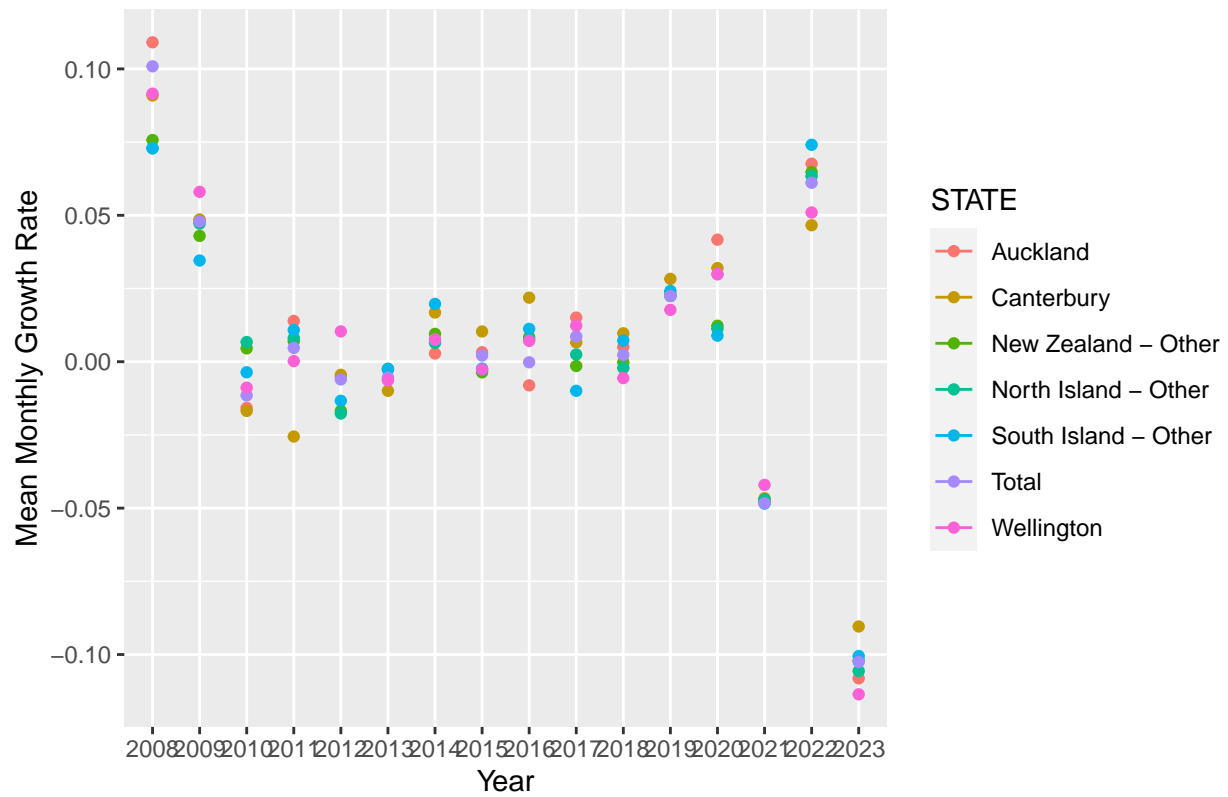
Mean Monthly Growth Rates by Year for Different States (Job Ads)



```
# Plot the mean monthly growth rates for each year for different states (Applications per Ad)
ggplot(mean_growth_appdf_yearly, aes(x=YEAR, y=Mean_CA_SA_GROWTH_MONTH, color=STATE)) +
  geom_line() +
  geom_point() +
  ggtitle("Mean Monthly Growth Rates by Year for Different States (Applications per Ad)") +
  xlab("Year") +
  ylab("Mean Monthly Growth Rate")
```

```
## 'geom_line()': Each group consists of only one observation.
## i Do you need to adjust the group aesthetic?
```

Mean Monthly Growth Rates by Year for Different States (Applications per



- As we can see in the (Ads_SA_Growth_Month)