Intro to Data Visualization

With Tableau

Studied Business
Administration

Worked as Sales, Account Manager, Product Manager (mainly in ad tech) Now: Data Analyst at TravelPerk







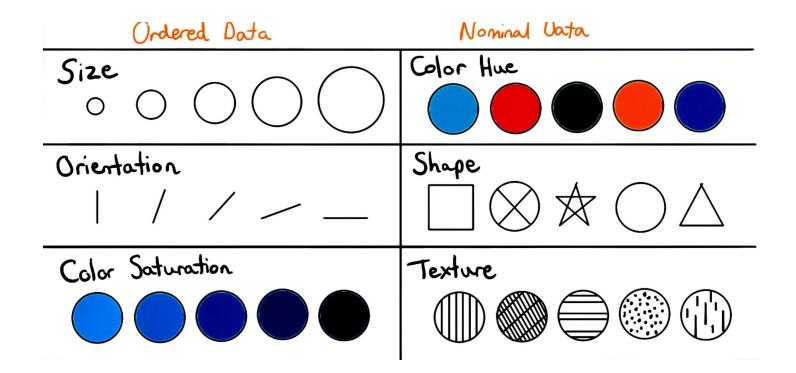
2009-2014 2014-2019 2019

Data Visualization Fundamentals

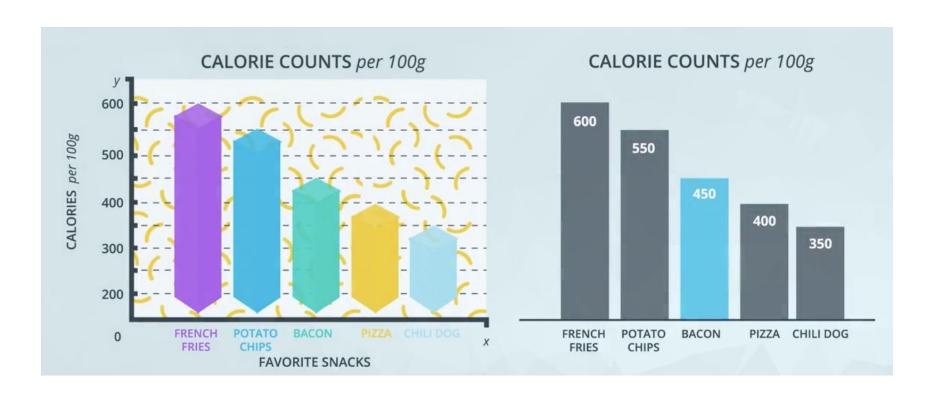
"A picture is worth a thousand words"

English proverb

Visual Encodings



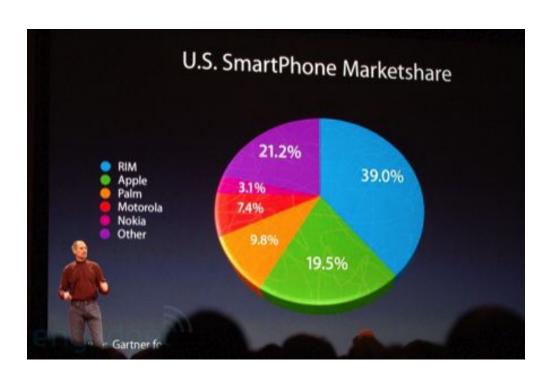
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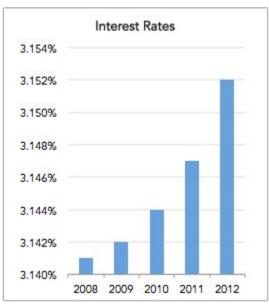
Goal: maximize data-ink ratio and erase as much chart junk as possible.

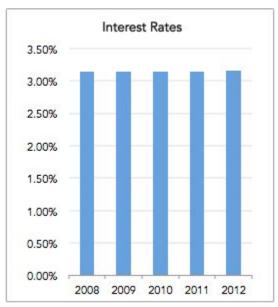
3D visualizations



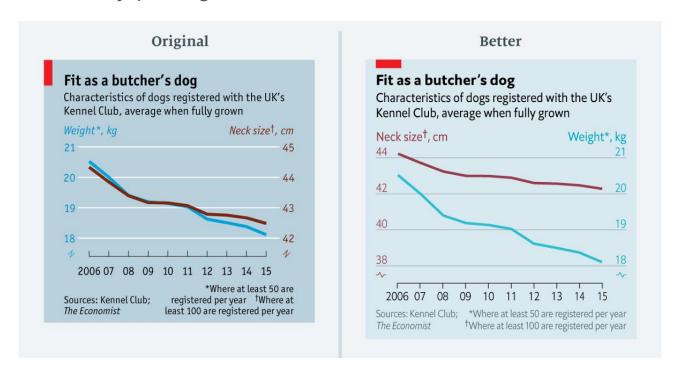
Truncating axes

Same Data, Different Y-Axis





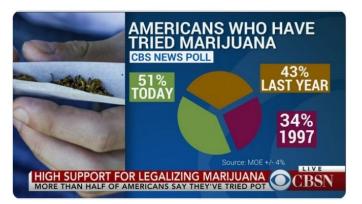
Dual axes and cherry-picking scales





Easily the funniest data viz I've ever seen.

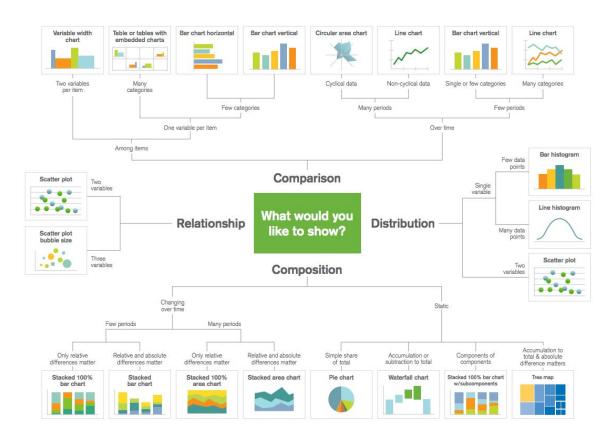
- (1) First of all, it's a pie chart.
- (2) The total is greater than 100%.
- (3) The relevant categories are today, last year, and... the year 1997?
- (4) The margin of error (MOE) is listed as the source.



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Choice of Graph Type



Business Intelligence Tools

Most used BI tools







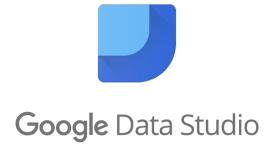




Tableau Public vs Tableau Desktop

Public

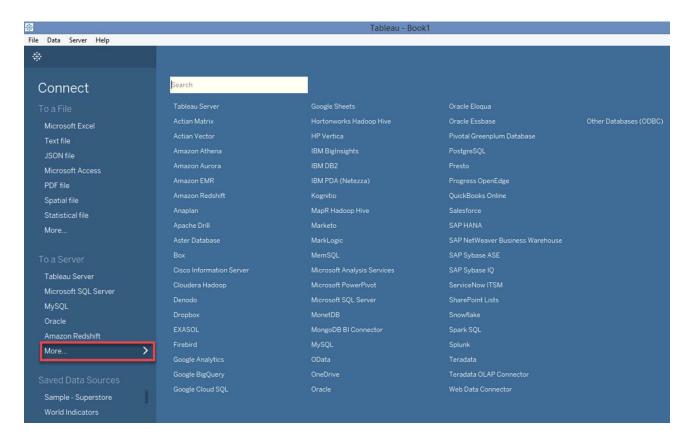
- You can only store your work online
- Can be connected with a limited number of data sources
- Used mostly for education
- Free

Desktop

- You can store your work locally (on your computer)
- Can connect to more data sources
- Used mostly for work
- Paid

Tableau Fundamentals

Connecting to Data Source

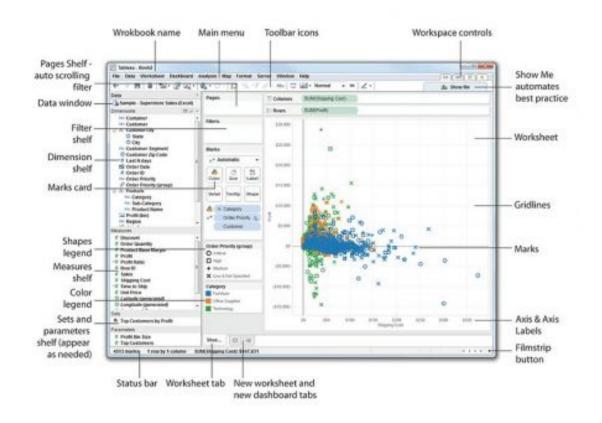


Data Types

Data type icone in Tableau

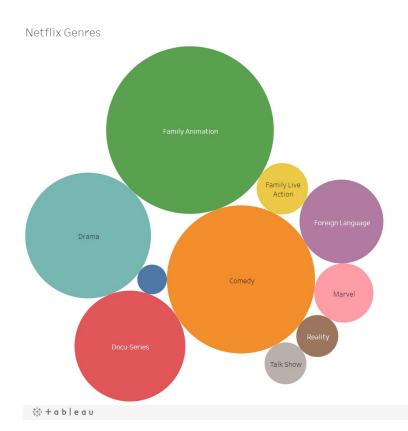
lcon	Data type
Abc	Text (string) values
=	Date values
= 9	Date & Time values
#	Numerical values
T IF	Boolean values (relational only)
Da 🌐	Geographic values (used with maps)
	(D) Data

Tableau Workspace



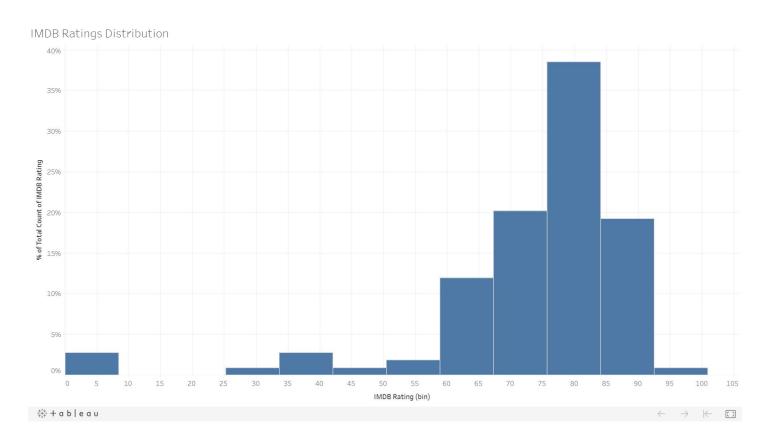
Building Charts in Tableau

Bubble Charts

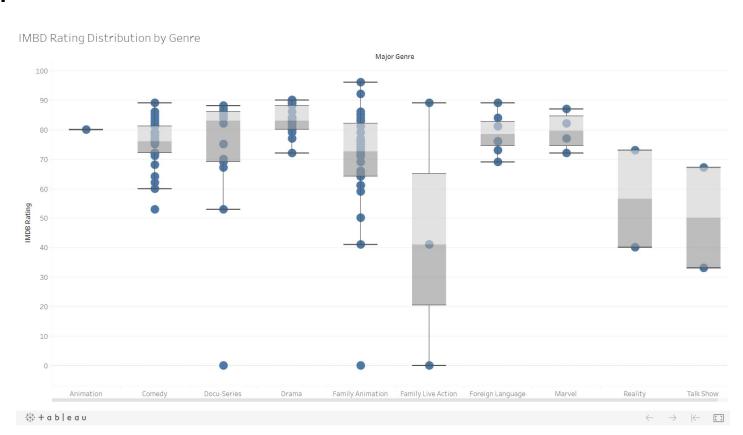




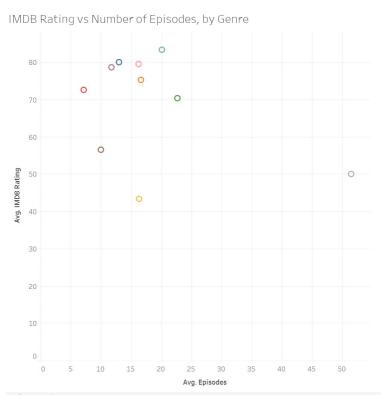
Histograms



Boxplots

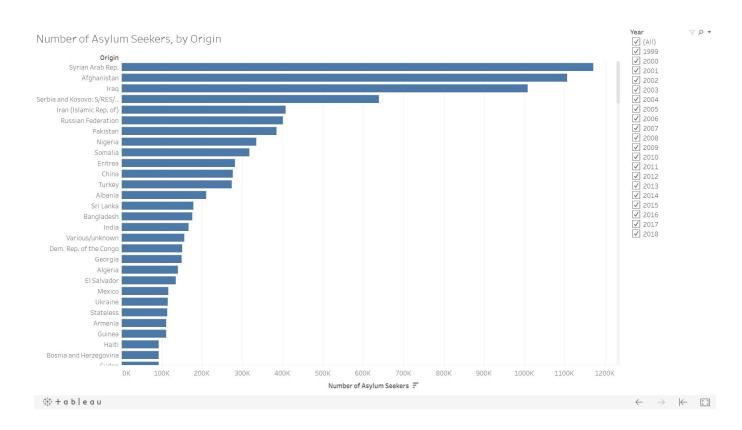


Scatterplots



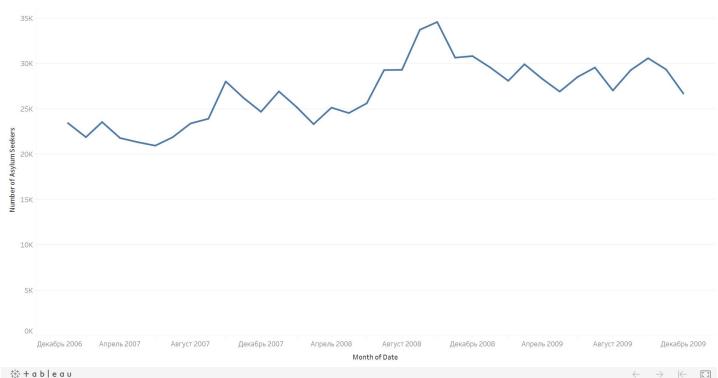


Bar Plots



Line Charts

Number of Asylum Seekers by Month



Geospatial data in Tableau

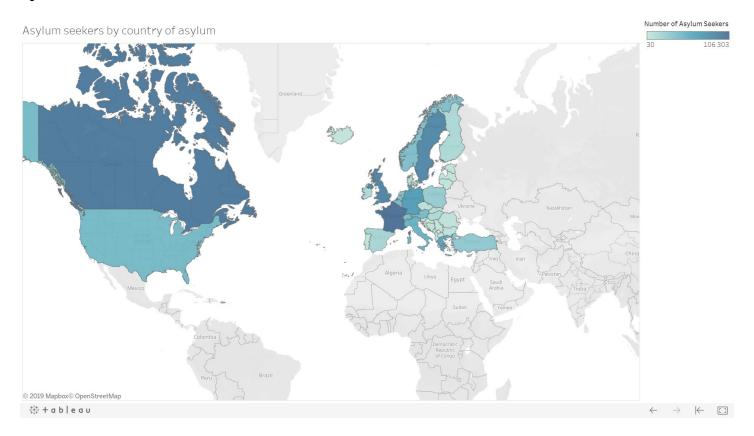
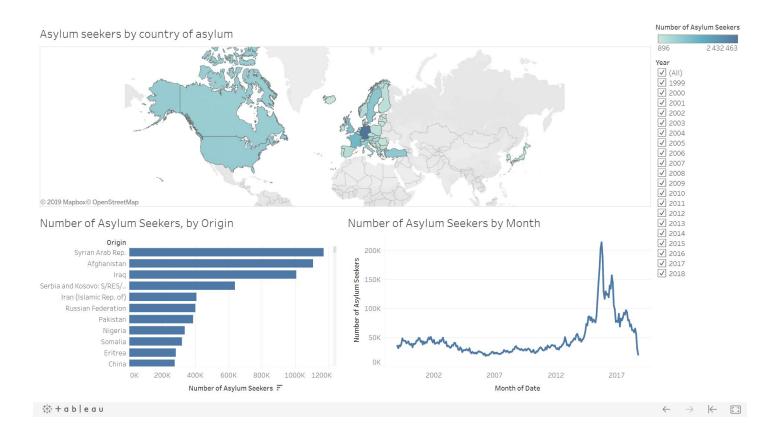
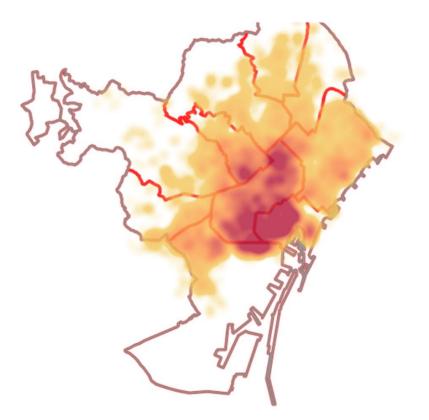


Tableau Dashboards & Stories



Local Maps & Density Maps



 What geographical location does this map correspond to?

What do you think this graph represents?

Tableau Practice

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Dataset: OECD Meat Consumption combined with GDP per country

Task: Build an interactive dashboard that answers the following questions:

Q1: What is the trend of consumption of each type of meat per capita over years for each country? (use meat_per_cap file)

Q2: Which countries consume the most and the least amount of meat per capita, given a specific year (and meat type)? (use meat_per_cap file)

Q3: Is there any relationship between meat consumption per capita and GDP per capita? (use meat gdp file)

Additional Resources

- Video Visualization of Countries Wealth vs Life Expectancy
- https://datavizcatalogue.com
- Gapminder
- Best Data Visualization Projects of 2018
- Learning from errors in data our visualizations by The Economist
- Choosing graph type mindmap
- The Pudding Data Journalism