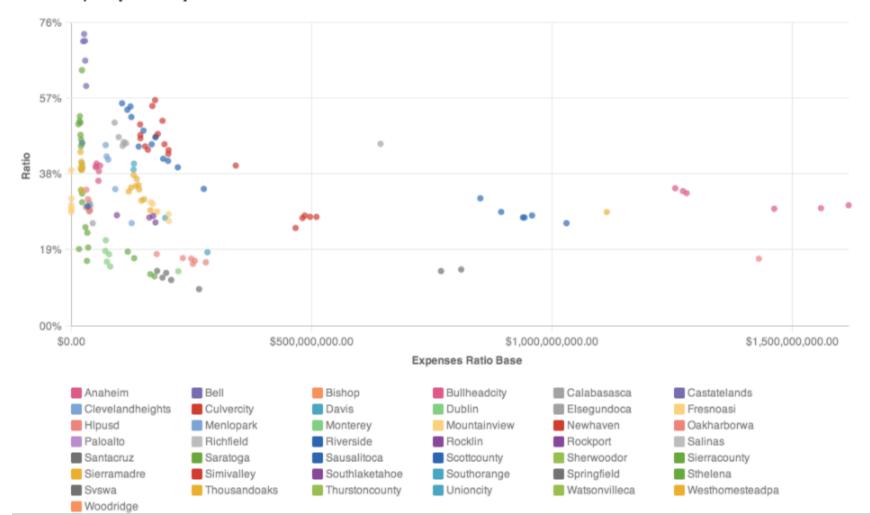
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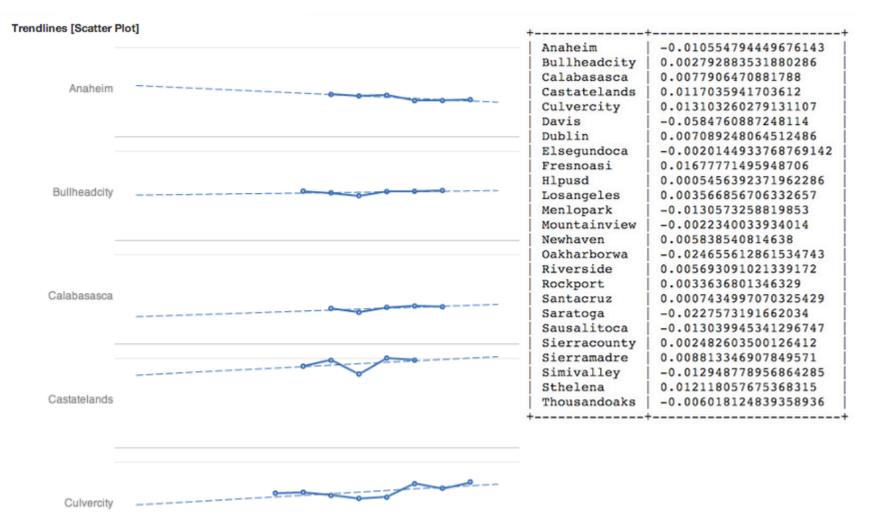
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Hypothesis

- Salaries is largest single expense of every city (avg 35)
- It is difficult to take it away
- If it takes too much of a budget
- and grows continuously
- Your city might be in danger

Ratio VS Expense [Scatter Plot]





Challenges

- Data from OpenGov
- Difficult to classify what is an expense
 - Different cities have different categories
 - out of ~50 cities we were able to clean ~25
- Unknown if data accounts for inflation

Conclusions

- Larger cities are around 35%
- Higher percentage in small cities
- None of the salary expenses grow faster than 5 percent.
- Detroit salaries hovered at 66% of the budget.

Sources

OpenGov Data
Code https://github.com/thnkr/og_data