

Sentiment Analysis

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Comparing Trump's State of the Union Address with Nixon's.

```
library(knitr)
library(tidytext)

## Warning: package 'tidytext' was built under R version 3.4.4

library(dplyr)

##
## 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

library(stringr)
library(readtext)
library(wordcloud)

## Warning: package 'wordcloud' was built under R version 3.4.4

## Loading required package: RColorBrewer

library(ggplot2)
library(reshape2)

get_sentiments("bing")

## # A tibble: 6,788 x 2
##   word      sentiment
##   <chr>    <chr>
## 1 2-faced    negative
## 2 2-faces    negative
## 3 a+        positive
## 4 abnormal   negative
## 5 abolish    negative
## 6 abominable negative
## 7 abominably negative
## 8 abominate   negative
## 9 abomination negative
## 10 abort      negative
## # ... with 6,778 more rows

nrc_joy <- get_sentiments("nrc") %>%
  filter(sentiment == "joy")
```

```
nrc_anger <- get_sentiments("nrc") %>%
  filter(sentiment == "anger")

nrc_anticipation <- get_sentiments("nrc") %>%
  filter(sentiment == "anticipation")
```

Trump

Now we look into Trump's State of the Union Address.

```
trump <- readtext("trump first state of the union.txt")
trump <- trump %>% unnest_tokens(word, text)
```

```
trump_anger <- trump %>%
  inner_join(nrc_anger) %>%
  count(word, sort = TRUE)
```

```
## Joining, by = "word"
```

Here, we see some words that are clearly associated with anger, such as aggression and disgrace, but we also see some words that might have been taken out of context and may not actually be used in an angry context like deserve and powerful.

```
trump_anticipation <- trump %>%
  inner_join(nrc_anticipation) %>%
  count(word, sort = TRUE)
```

```
## Joining, by = "word"
```

There are not only more anticipation words, but there are also some anticipation words used more frequently, such as time and plan. This implies that Trump's agenda is filled with

```
trump_joy <- trump %>%
  inner_join(nrc_joy) %>%
  count(word, sort = TRUE)
```

```
## Joining, by = "word"
```

Despite what the media has said about Trump so far during his presidency, his state of the union address was has more words associated with joy than words associated with anger. However, there are plenty of words here that may have been taken out of context, such as finally, create, and yearning.

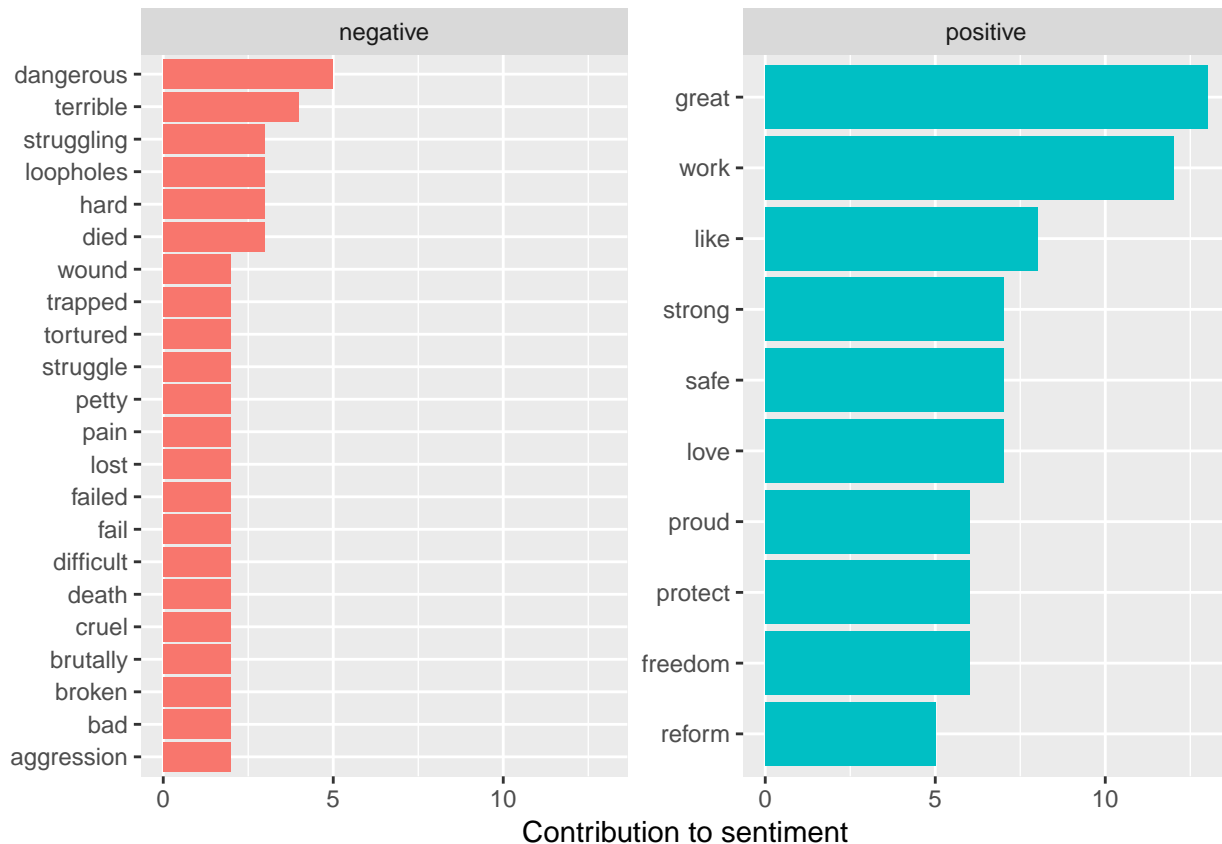
```
trump_bing <- trump %>%
  inner_join(get_sentiments("bing")) %>%
  count(word, sentiment, sort = TRUE) %>%
  ungroup()
```

```
## Joining, by = "word"
```

```
trump_bing %>%
  group_by(sentiment) %>%
  top_n(10) %>%
  ungroup() %>%
  mutate(word = reorder(word, n)) %>%
  ggplot(aes(word, n, fill = sentiment)) +
```

```
geom_col(show.legend = FALSE) +
facet_wrap(~sentiment, scales = "free_y") +
labs(y = "Contribution to sentiment",
     x = NULL) +
coord_flip()
```

Selecting by n

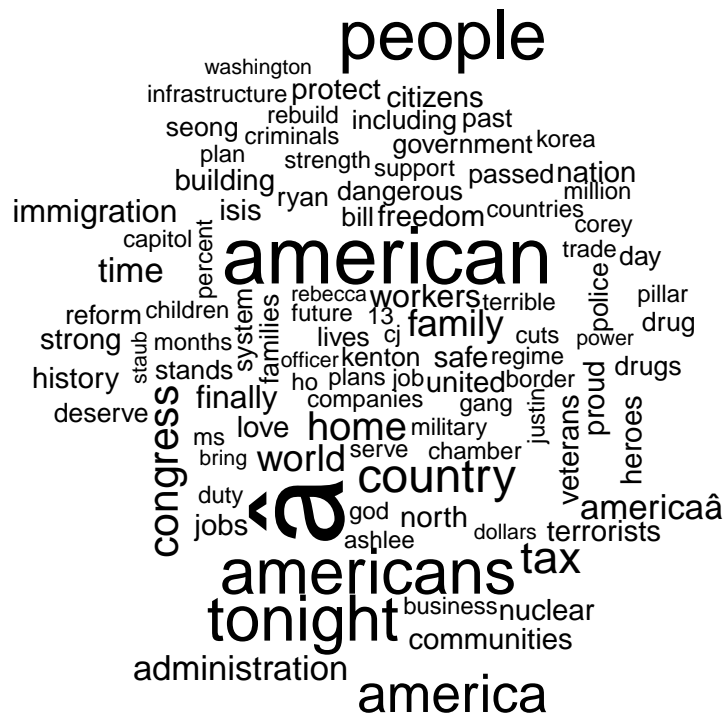


Here, we see that there are many more negative words than positive, but the most frequently used positive word, great, is used more than the most frequently used negative word, which is dangerous. This implies that Trump sees the current condition of the US in a bad light and is not very optimistic about the US' potential future. Like in the previous sentiment analyses, some words may have been taken out of context like reform.

Wordcloud for Trump's State of the Union Address

```
trump %>%
  anti_join(stop_words) %>%
  count(word) %>%
  with(wordcloud(word, n, max.words = 100))
```

Joining, by = "word"



Wordcloud comparing positive and negative words in Trump's State of the Union Address

Nixon

```
trump %>%
  inner_join(get_sentiments("bing")) %>%
  count(word, sentiment, sort = TRUE) %>%
  acast(word ~ sentiment, value.var = "n", fill = 0) %>%
  comparison.cloud(colors = c("gray20", "gray80"),
                   max.words = 100)

## Joining, by = "word"

## Warning in comparison.cloud(., colors = c("gray20", "gray80"), max.words =
## 100): progress could not be fit on page. It will not be plotted.

## Warning in comparison.cloud(., colors = c("gray20", "gray80"), max.words =
## 100): prosperity could not be fit on page. It will not be plotted.

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## 100): supported could not be fit on page. It will not be plotted.

## Warning in comparison.cloud(., colors = c("gray20", "gray80"), max.words =
## 100): concerns could not be fit on page. It will not be plotted.
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## Warning in comparison.cloud(., colors = c("gray20", "gray80"), max.words =
## 100): epidemic could not be fit on page. It will not be plotted.

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## 100): extinguish could not be fit on page. It will not be plotted.

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## 100): flaws could not be fit on page. It will not be plotted.

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## 100): hardship could not be fit on page. It will not be plotted.

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## 100): harm could not be fit on page. It will not be plotted.

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## 100): illegal could not be fit on page. It will not be plotted.

## Warning in comparison.cloud(., colors = c("gray20", "gray80"), max.words =
## 100): injustice could not be fit on page. It will not be plotted.

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## 100): menace could not be fit on page. It will not be plotted.

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## 100): poorest could not be fit on page. It will not be plotted.

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## 100): problem could not be fit on page. It will not be plotted.

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## 100): randomly could not be fit on page. It will not be plotted.

## Warning in comparison.cloud(., colors = c("gray20", "gray80"), max.words =
## 100): reckless could not be fit on page. It will not be plotted.

## Warning in comparison.cloud(., colors = c("gray20", "gray80"), max.words =
## 100): savage could not be fit on page. It will not be plotted.

## Warning in comparison.cloud(., colors = c("gray20", "gray80"), max.words =
## 100): slashing could not be fit on page. It will not be plotted.

## Warning in comparison.cloud(., colors = c("gray20", "gray80"), max.words =
## 100): sorrow could not be fit on page. It will not be plotted.

## Warning in comparison.cloud(., colors = c("gray20", "gray80"), max.words =
## 100): stagnation could not be fit on page. It will not be plotted.

## Warning in comparison.cloud(., colors = c("gray20", "gray80"), max.words =
## 100): threat could not be fit on page. It will not be plotted.

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## 100): threaten could not be fit on page. It will not be plotted.

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## 100): threats could not be fit on page. It will not be plotted.

## Warning in comparison.cloud(., colors = c("gray20", "gray80"), max.words =
## 100): unaccustomed could not be fit on page. It will not be plotted.

## Warning in comparison.cloud(., colors = c("gray20", "gray80"), max.words =
## 100): unfortunately could not be fit on page. It will not be plotted.

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## Warning in comparison.cloud(., colors = c("gray20", "gray80"), max.words =
## 100): unlawful could not be fit on page. It will not be plotted.
```



Nixon's State of the Union Address

```
nixon <- readtext("nixon first state of the union.txt")
nixon <- nixon %>% unnest_tokens(word, text)

nixon_anger <- nixon %>%
  inner_join(nrc_anger) %>%
  count(word, sort = TRUE)
```

```
## Joining, by = "word"
```

Similar to Trump’s state of the union address, there are not too many of Nixon’s words associated with anger. Moreover, Nixon had way less words associated with anger than Trump in his State of the Union, which infers that Nixon had a more favorable outlook and attitude toward the US as well as leading the US to become a better nation.

```
nixon_anticipation <- nixon %>%  
  inner_join(nrc_anticipation) %>%  
  count(word, sort = TRUE)
```

```
## Joining, by = "word"
```

Like in Trump's address, Nixon's address has the word 'time' as the most frequently used word related to anticipation, but Nixon uses it even more than Trump, seventeen times to be exact, compared to nine times

by Trump.

```
nixon_joy <- nixon %>%  
  inner_join(nrc_joy) %>%  
  count(word, sort = TRUE)
```

```
## Joining, by = "word"
```

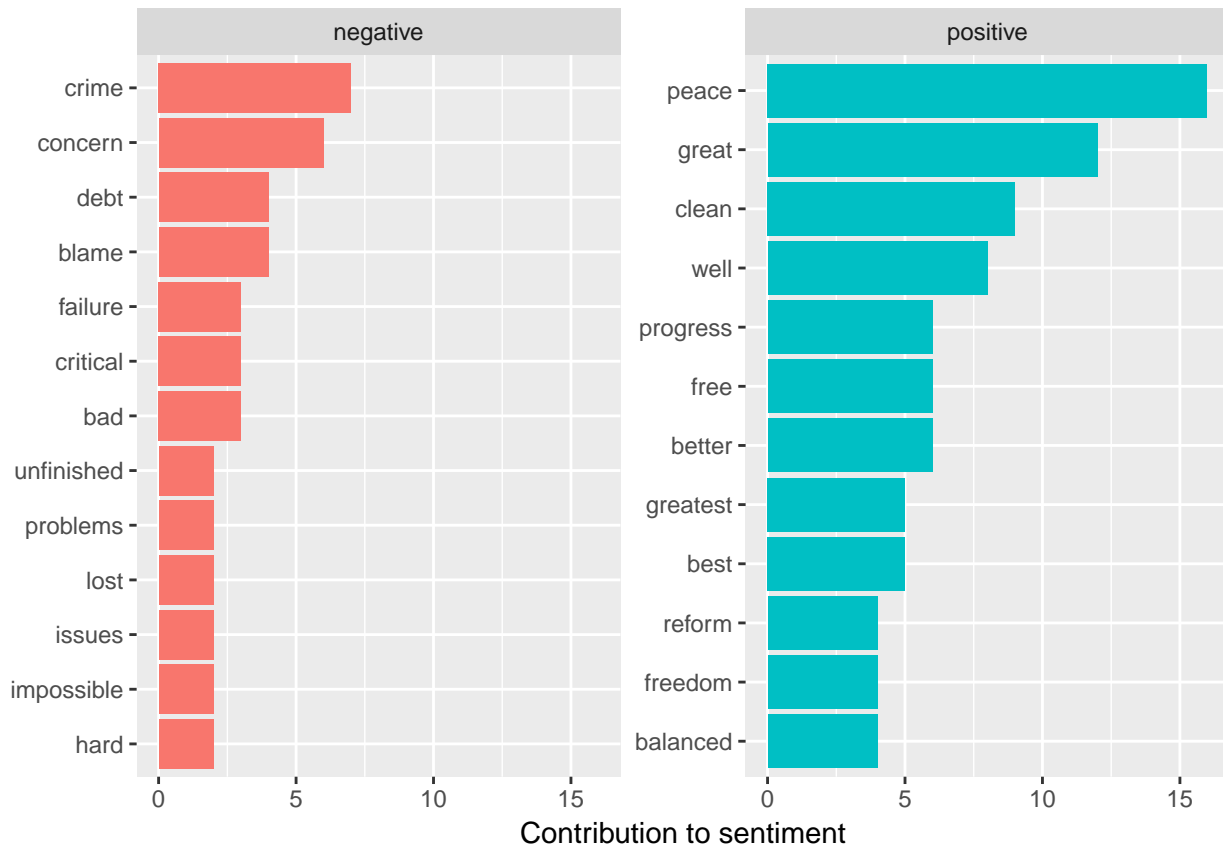
Although Trump may have used more words relating to joy, Nixon's most frequent joy word, namely peace, is used sixteen times in his speech, as opposed to Trump's most frequent word, finally, which is used eight times and may not have necessarily been used in such a positive context. Moreover, there are less words associated with joy that are used only once in Nixon's speech than in Trump's speech, further implying that Nixon approached leading the US in a more optimistic way.

```
nixon_bing <- nixon %>%  
  inner_join(get_sentiments("bing")) %>%  
  count(word, sentiment, sort = TRUE) %>%  
  ungroup()
```

```
## Joining, by = "word"
```

```
nixon_bing %>%  
  group_by(sentiment) %>%  
  top_n(10) %>%  
  ungroup() %>%  
  mutate(word = reorder(word, n)) %>%  
  ggplot(aes(word, n, fill = sentiment)) +  
  geom_col(show.legend = FALSE) +  
  facet_wrap(~sentiment, scales = "free_y") +  
  labs(y = "Contribution to sentiment",  
       x = NULL) +  
  coord_flip()
```

```
## Selecting by n
```



Unlike in Trump's State of the Union Address, where there were clearly more negative words used, Nixon's State of the Union Address has a relatively equal balance between positive and negative words. Therefore, we can infer that Nixon's agenda approached resolving the nation's issues with a more optimistic outlook, as opposed to Trump, who seems to really focus on the negative side of the nation's condition and has a little more pessimistic view on resolving the problems.

Wordcloud for Nixon's State of the Union Address

```
nixon %>%
  anti_join(stop_words) %>%
  count(word) %>%
  with(wordcloud(word, n, max.words = 100))

## Joining, by = "word"

## Warning in wordcloud(word, n, max.words = 100): people could not be fit on
## page. It will not be plotted.

## Warning in wordcloud(word, n, max.words = 100): responsibility could not be
## fit on page. It will not be plotted.

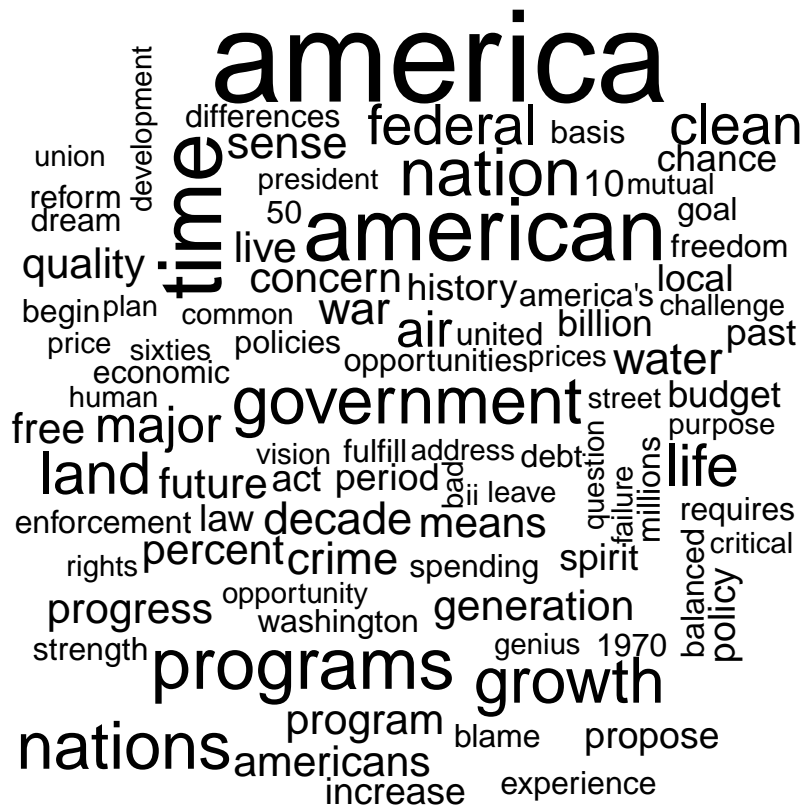
## Warning in wordcloud(word, n, max.words = 100): peace could not be fit on
## page. It will not be plotted.

## Warning in wordcloud(word, n, max.words = 100): congress could not be fit
## on page. It will not be plotted.

## Warning in wordcloud(word, n, max.words = 100): seventies could not be fit
```



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## on page. It will not be plotted.
## Warning in wordcloud(word, n, max.words = 100): primary could not be fit on
## page. It will not be plotted.
## Warning in wordcloud(word, n, max.words = 100): world could not be fit on
## page. It will not be plotted.
```



Wordcloud comparing positive and negative words in Nixon's State of the Union Address

```
nixon %>%
  inner_join(get_sentiments("bing")) %>%
  count(word, sentiment, sort = TRUE) %>%
  acast(word ~ sentiment, value.var = "n", fill = 0) %>%
  comparison.cloud(colors = c("gray20", "gray80"),
                   max.words = 100)

## Joining, by = "word"

## Warning in comparison.cloud(., colors = c("gray20", "gray80"), max.words =
## 100): lawlessness could not be fit on page. It will not be plotted.

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## 100): limitations could not be fit on page. It will not be plotted.

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## 100): obsolete could not be fit on page. It will not be plotted.
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## 100): overwhelming could not be fit on page. It will not be plotted.
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## 100): rejecting could not be fit on page. It will not be plotted.
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## 100): relentlessly could not be fit on page. It will not be plotted.
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## 100): retreat could not be fit on page. It will not be plotted.
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## 100): scarce could not be fit on page. It will not be plotted.
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## 100): spite could not be fit on page. It will not be plotted.
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## 100): suffered could not be fit on page. It will not be plotted.
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## 100): surrender could not be fit on page. It will not be plotted.
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## 100): unable could not be fit on page. It will not be plotted.
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## 100): unbearable could not be fit on page. It will not be plotted.
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## 100): unrest could not be fit on page. It will not be plotted.
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## 100): urgent could not be fit on page. It will not be plotted.
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## 100): violent could not be fit on page. It will not be plotted.
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## 100): warning could not be fit on page. It will not be plotted.
## Warning in comparison.cloud(., colors = c("gray20", "gray80"), max.words =
## 100): waste could not be fit on page. It will not be plotted.
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## 100): weak could not be fit on page. It will not be plotted.
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## 100): weaken could not be fit on page. It will not be plotted.

```

