WTWY: Street Team Placement

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Project Summary

Intro

• With the annual gala happening in June 2018, we set out to analyze the optimal stations for you to send your street teams to in the month leading up to the event.

Datasets

- MTA turnstile data from the month of May 2017
- Income data from City-Data.com
- Charitable donation data from Wolters Kluwer Tax & Accounting US, 2015

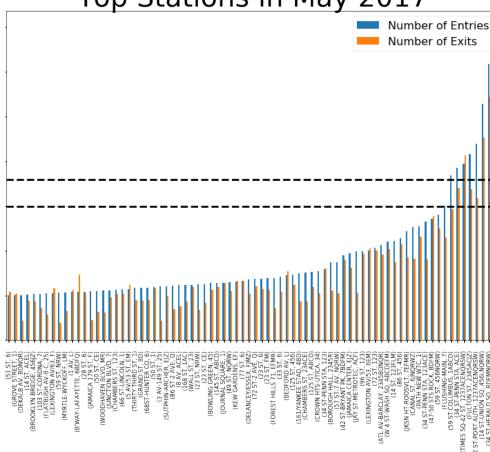
Overview

Total station traffic

- Weekday vs weekend activity
- Morning vs afternoon
- Income, Giving & Traffic

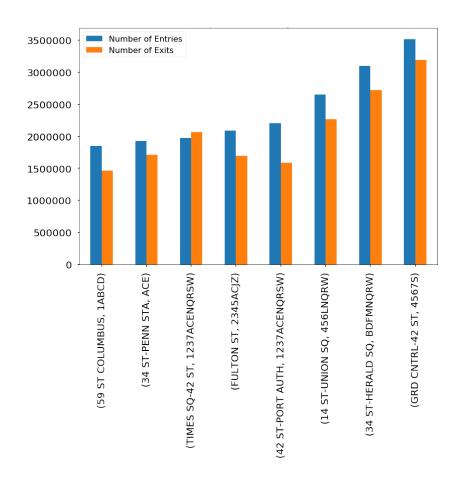
Initial Analysis

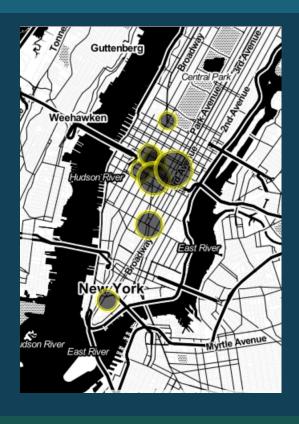
Top Stations in May 2017



Top Stations

- In May 2017, these stations had significantly higher traffic than the others
- Five of these stations were located in the midtown area





- GRD CNTRL-42 ST (10017)
- 34 ST-HERALD SQ (10001)
- 14 ST-UNION SQ (10003)
- 42 ST-PORT AUTH (10018)
- FULTON ST (10038)
- TIMES SQ-42 ST (10036)
- 34 ST-PENN STA (10001)
- 59 ST COLUMBUS (10023)



Time Period Analysis

Data Prep

- Created subsets of the top stations' data filtered by weekday and weekend
- Bucketed data by time of day
- Morning: 6am 1pm
- Afternoon: 2pm 10pm

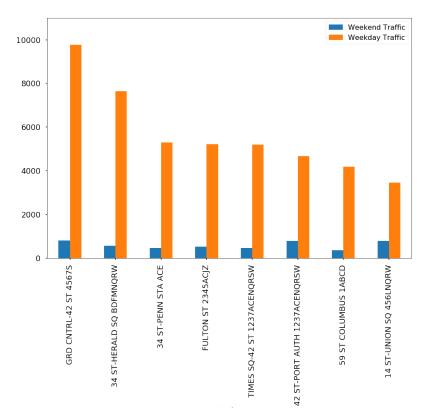
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0		True	2017-04-29 12:00:00	NQR456W	59 ST
0		True	2017-04-29 16:00:00	NQR456W	59 ST
0		True	2017-04-29 20:00:00	NQR456W	59 ST
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		STATION	LINENAME	ENTRIES	EXITS	parsed_datetime	station_id
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1	47237	GRD CNTRL- 42 ST	4567S	813054	2422792	2017-04-29 13:00:00	3603
1	47238	GRD CNTRL- 42 ST	4567S	813179	2423350	2017-04-29 17:00:00	3603

Wkday v Wknd: Morning

- Traffic numbers represent average station traffic per hour
- For mornings, weekday traffic volume was found to be much higher than weekends, as expected
- Street teams should not be sent out on weekend mornings

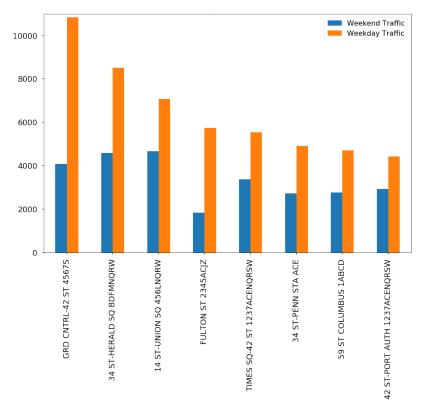
Morning Traffic By Station



Wkday v Wknd: Afternoons

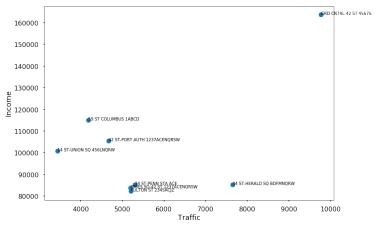
- For afternoons, the difference between weekday and weekend was not as significant
- Street teams should be sent out on weekend afternoons, but priority should be on weekdays

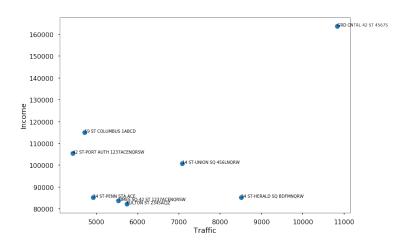
Afternoon Traffic By Station



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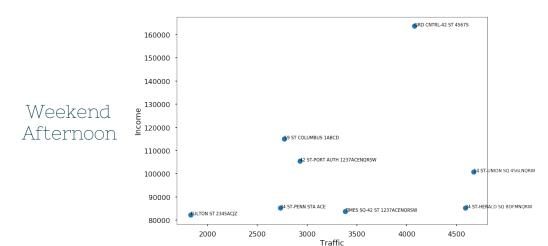
Income Data





Weekday Morning

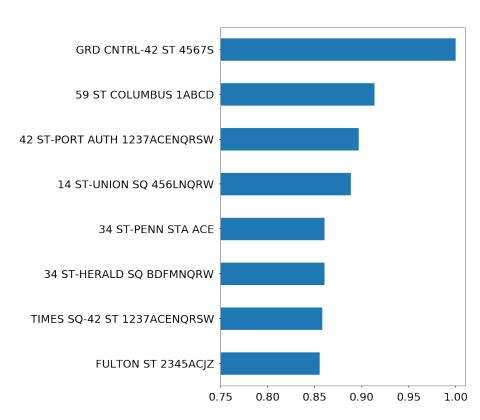
Weekday Afternoon

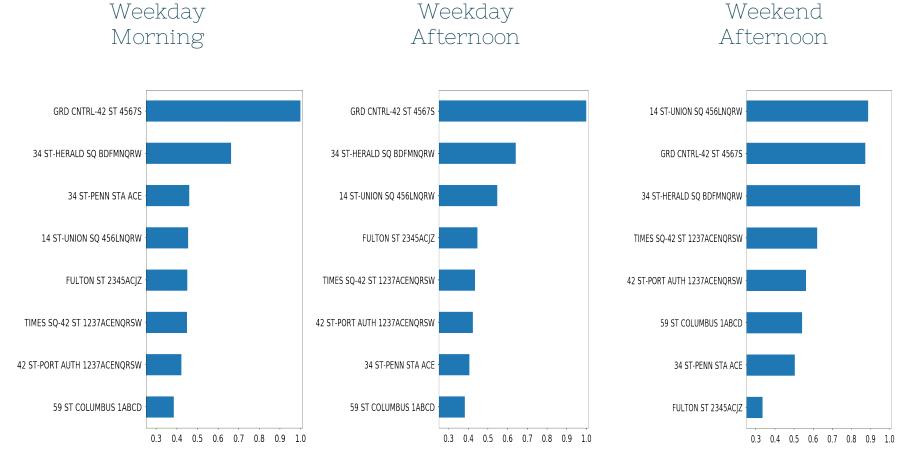


Charitable Donations

- Our research showed that people making 50k were expected to give ¾ as much as people making 200k
- Relative expected gift value for top stations







Relative Expected Gift Value

Recommendation

Weekday Mornings (6am – 1pm)

- 1. Grand Central
- 2. Herald Square
- 3. Penn Station

Weekend Mornings (6am – 1pm)

Rest ©

Weekday Afternoons (2pm - 10pm)

- 1. Grand Central
- 2. Herald Square
- 3. Union Square

Weekend Afternoons (2pm – 10pm)

- 1. Union Square
- 2. Grand Central
- 3. Herald Square

Questions?

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Appendix

Data Cleaning

- Parsed date and time into a datetime object 'parsed_datetime
- Assigned each station entrance a unique id by combining the 'C/A', 'UNIT', 'SCP' and 'STATION' variables
- Calculated entries and exits between each audit by taking the absolute value of the differences from row to row
- Created a boolean for if each entry was a weekday or weekend
- Sorted 'LINENAME' so that we didn't have any duplicate 'LINENAME' entries
- Dropped audits that contained above 10,000 entries/exits since those were errant rows or where the entry/exit count was reset for the station or entrance