Drug Seizure Analysis

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BACKGROUND

The Data

- Drug Seizures annually since 1970s
 - {Region, Country, ISO Code, Drug Group, Drug, Year, KG Equivalent}
- World Development Data
 - {Country, electricity_access, gdp, gdp_capita, labor_rate, labor_force, land_area, life_expectancy, adult_literacy, water_access, air_pollution, population_density, population, alcohol_consumption, unemployment_rate, social_support, freedom, generosity, income_class, cpi}
- **US Presidents Data**
 - {President, Years in Office, Party}

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Key Terms

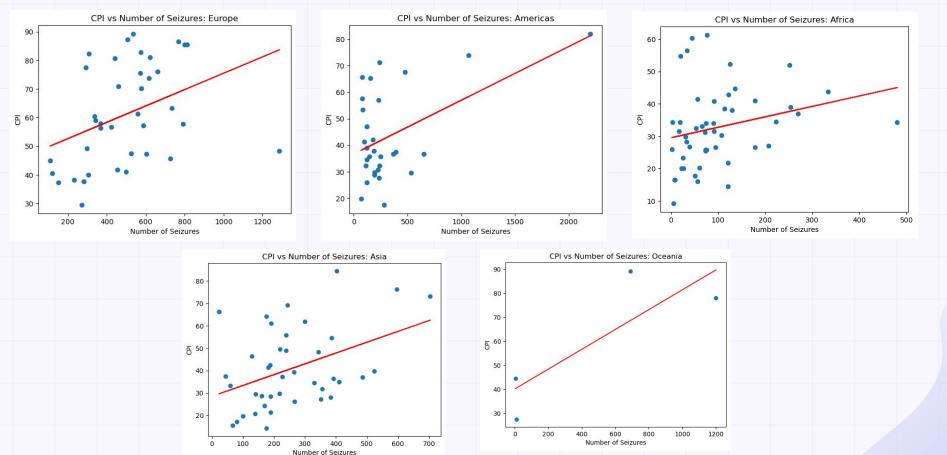
- CPI (Corruption Perceptions Index)
 - Transparency International
 - o Index on a 100 Scale based on assessments and citizen opinion data
 - 100 = least corrupt
 - 0 = most corrupt
- Income Class
 - World Bank
 - Classification of either low, lower-middle, upper-middle, and high income
 - Uses Gross National Income per capita for the measurement

International Drug Seizures

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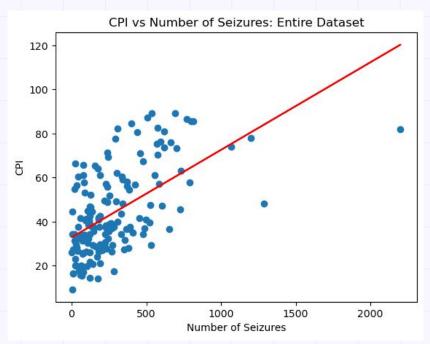
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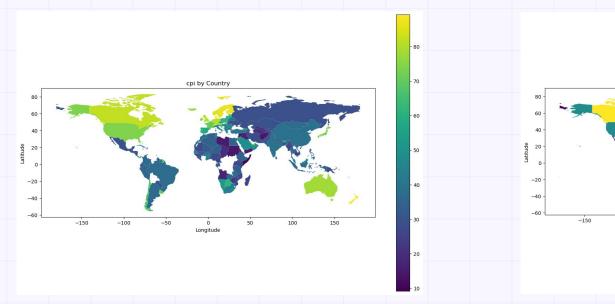


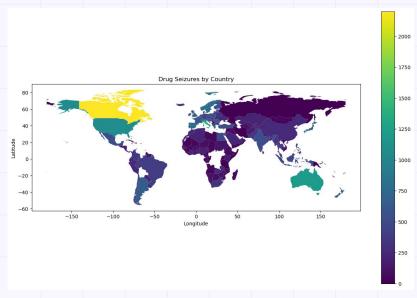
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- Correlation coefficient: 0.58
 - Moderate correlation
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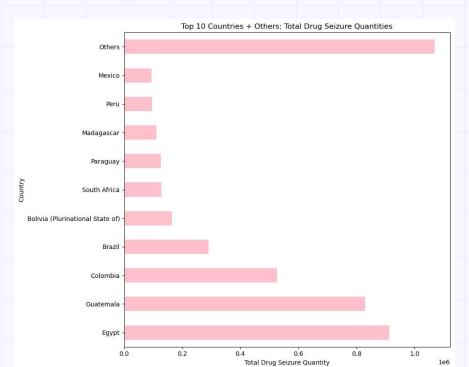


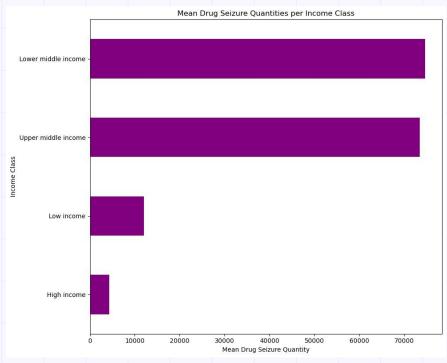
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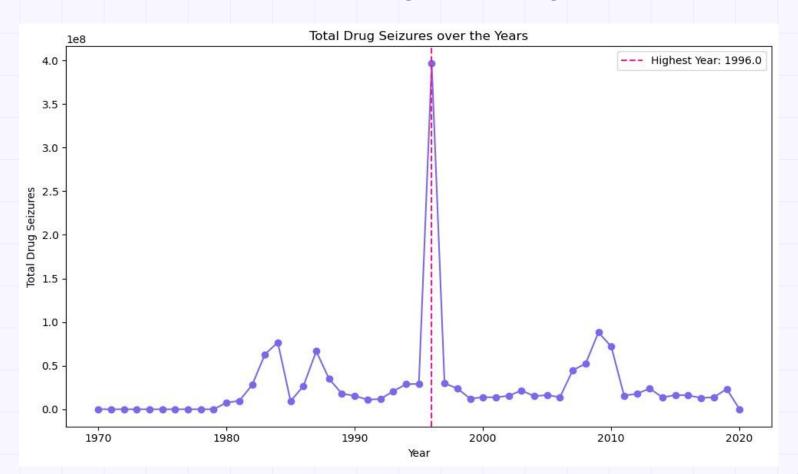
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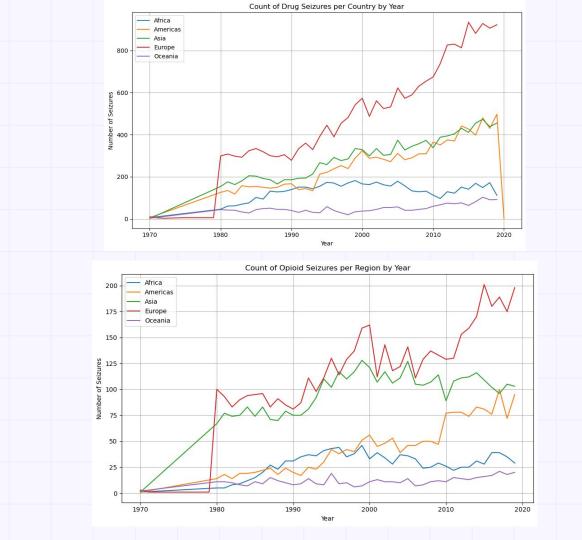
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Conclusion: Lower middle income class has the highest rate of drug seizures.





Opioid Use in the USA

Secondary Hypothesis:

Republican Presidents will have more drug seizures than Democrat Presidents.

Opioid History in the USA

1980s:

Initial use of opioids for pain relief in medical settings.

1990s:

Introduction of prescription opioids leading to rising usage.

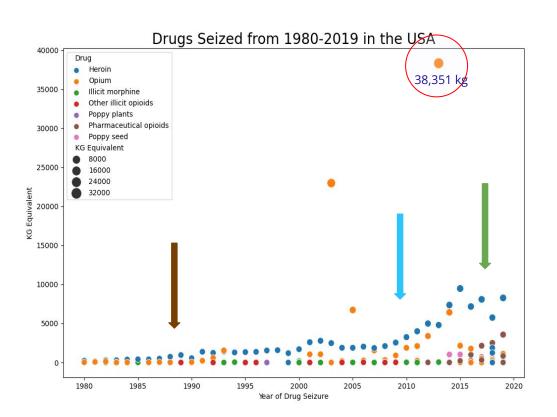
2000-2010:

Surge in opioid prescriptions, escalation of addiction, and overdose deaths.

2010-2019:

Transition to illegal opioids, especially heroin and potent synthetics like fentanyl.

Opioid Waves

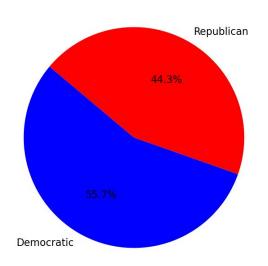


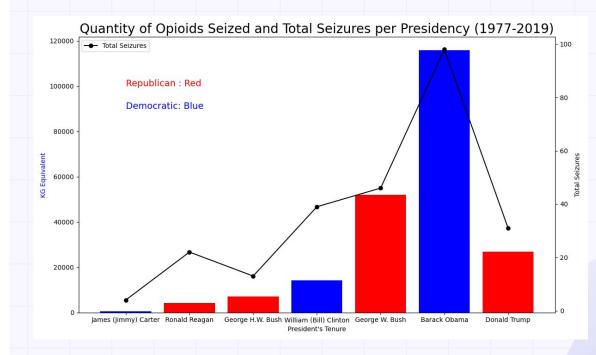
A Multi-Layered Problem in Three Distinct Waves 1990s 2010 2013 marked a rise in prescription marked a rise in synthetic opioid overdose deaths opioid overdose deaths overdose deaths Rx OPIOIDS HEROIN SYNTHETIC OPIOIDS Includes natural and An illegal opioid Includes illicitly made fentanyl semi-synthetic opioids and methadone, and can be prescribed by doctors

Learn more about the evolving opioid overdose crisis: www.cdc.gov/drugoverdose

Opioids and US Politics

Number of Drug Seizures: Republicans vs Democrats





DATA CLEANING AND LIBRARIES

- Matplotlib
- Pandas
- scipy
- Numpy
- Seaborn
- Geopandas
- Requests
- linregress
- pprint
- merge

QUESTIONS?

Research Resources

- History.com
- NIDA (National Institute for Drug Abuse)
- CDC
- Obama Whitehouse Archive

