

# NY PD Shooting Analysis

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## Load libraries

```
install.packages('readr', dependencies = TRUE, repos='http://cran.rstudio.com/')
```

```
##  
## The downloaded binary packages are in  
## /var/folders/6d/dwy_4hn968schjl9qrfg0h5h0000gn/T//RtmpL0TIdN/downloaded_packages
```

```
install.packages('tidyverse', dependencies = TRUE, repos='http://cran.rstudio.com/')
```

```
##  
## The downloaded binary packages are in  
## /var/folders/6d/dwy_4hn968schjl9qrfg0h5h0000gn/T//RtmpL0TIdN/downloaded_packages
```

```
install.packages('lubridate', dependencies = TRUE, repos='http://cran.rstudio.com/')
```

```
##  
## The downloaded binary packages are in  
## /var/folders/6d/dwy_4hn968schjl9qrfg0h5h0000gn/T//RtmpL0TIdN/downloaded_packages
```

```
install.packages('ggplot2', dependencies = TRUE, repos='http://cran.rstudio.com/')
```

```
##  
## The downloaded binary packages are in  
## /var/folders/6d/dwy_4hn968schjl9qrfg0h5h0000gn/T//RtmpL0TIdN/downloaded_packages
```

```
install.packages('dplyr', dependencies = TRUE, repos='http://cran.rstudio.com/')
```

```
##  
## The downloaded binary packages are in  
## /var/folders/6d/dwy_4hn968schjl9qrfg0h5h0000gn/T//RtmpL0TIdN/downloaded_packages
```

```
library(readr)  
library(tidyverse)  
library(lubridate)  
library(ggplot2)  
library(dplyr)  
library(vcd)
```

## Get current data

```
url_in <- "https://data.cityofnewyork.us/api/views/833y-fsy8/rows.csv?accessType=DOWNLOAD"
nyc_data_orig <- read_csv(url_in)
```

```
## Rows: 28562 Columns: 21
## -- Column specification -----
## Delimiter: ","
## chr  (12): OCCUR_DATE, BORO, LOC_OF_OCCUR_DESC, LOC_CLASSFCTN_DESC, LOCATION...
## dbl  (7): INCIDENT_KEY, PRECINCT, JURISDICTION_CODE, X_COORD_CD, Y_COORD_CD...
## lgl  (1): STATISTICAL_MURDER_FLAG
## time (1): OCCUR_TIME
##
## i Use 'spec()' to retrieve the full column specification for this data.
## i Specify the column types or set 'show_col_types = FALSE' to quiet this message.
```

## Tidy and transform data

### Remove unnecessary data

```
nyc_data <- nyc_data_orig %>% select(-PRECINCT, -JURISDICTION_CODE, -X_COORD_CD, -Y_COORD_CD, -Latitude,
```

### Change data type

- **INCIDENT\_KEY** to be treated as a string.
- **BORO** to be treated as a factor.
- **PERP\_AGE\_GROUP** to be treated as a factor.
- **PERP\_SEX** to be treated as a factor.
- **PERP\_RACE** to be treated as a factor.
- **VIC\_AGE\_GROUP** to be treated as a factor.
- **VIC\_SEX** to be treated as a factor.
- **VIC\_RACE** to be treated as a factor.

```
# Remove anomalies in the data values
nyc_data = subset(nyc_data, VIC_AGE_GROUP!="1022" & PERP_AGE_GROUP!="1020" & PERP_AGE_GROUP!="940" & PERP_AGE_GROUP!="940")

# Replace 'UNKNOWN' and 'U' with 'Unknown' and standardize missing values to NA
nyc_data$PERP_AGE_GROUP <- recode(nyc_data$PERP_AGE_GROUP, 'UNKNOWN' = 'Unknown')
nyc_data$PERP_SEX <- recode(nyc_data$PERP_SEX, 'U' = 'Unknown')
nyc_data$PERP_RACE <- recode(nyc_data$PERP_RACE, 'UNKNOWN' = 'Unknown')
nyc_data$VIC_SEX <- recode(nyc_data$VIC_SEX, 'U' = 'Unknown')
nyc_data$VIC_RACE <- recode(nyc_data$VIC_RACE, 'UNKNOWN' = 'Unknown')

# Convert variables to appropriate data types
nyc_data$INCIDENT_KEY <- as.character(nyc_data$INCIDENT_KEY)
nyc_data$BORO <- as.factor(nyc_data$BORO)
nyc_data$PERP_AGE_GROUP <- as.factor(nyc_data$PERP_AGE_GROUP)
nyc_data$PERP_SEX <- as.factor(nyc_data$PERP_SEX)
nyc_data$PERP_RACE <- as.factor(nyc_data$PERP_RACE)
```

```

nyc_data$VIC_AGE_GROUP <- as.factor(nyc_data$VIC_AGE_GROUP)
nyc_data$VIC_SEX <- as.factor(nyc_data$VIC_SEX)
nyc_data$VIC_RACE <- as.factor(nyc_data$VIC_RACE)

# Remove unknown
nyc_data[nyc_data == 'Unknown'] <- NA
nyc_data[nyc_data == 'UNKNOWN'] <- NA
nyc_data <- na.omit(nyc_data)

# Drop unused factor levels
nyc_data <- nyc_data %>%
  mutate(across(where(is.factor), droplevels))

# Remove rows with missing values in key variables
nyc_data_clean <- nyc_data %>%
  filter(complete.cases(PERP_AGE_GROUP, PERP_SEX, PERP_RACE,
    VIC_AGE_GROUP, VIC_SEX, VIC_RACE))

# Return summary statistics
summary(nyc_data_clean)

```

```

## INCIDENT_KEY      OCCUR_DATE      OCCUR_TIME      BORO
## Length:1819      Length:1819      Length:1819      BRONX      :635
## Class :character  Class :character  Class1:hms      BROOKLYN   :523
## Mode :character  Mode :character  Class2:difftime  MANHATTAN  :358
##                                     Mode :numeric    QUEENS     :257
##                                     STATEN ISLAND: 46
##
## LOC_OF_OCCUR_DESC LOC_CLASSFCTN_DESC LOCATION_DESC
## Length:1819      Length:1819      Length:1819
## Class :character  Class :character  Class :character
## Mode :character  Mode :character  Mode :character
##
##
## STATISTICAL_MURDER_FLAG PERP_AGE_GROUP PERP_SEX
## Mode :logical      <18 :219      F: 73
## FALSE:1388          18-24:593      M:1746
## TRUE :431           25-44:835
##                     45-64:164
##                     65+ : 8
##
## PERP_RACE      VIC_AGE_GROUP VIC_SEX
## ASIAN / PACIFIC ISLANDER: 28 <18 :167      F: 234
## BLACK :1232      18-24:469      M:1585
## BLACK HISPANIC : 188 25-44:967
## WHITE : 26 45-64:187
## WHITE HISPANIC : 345 65+ : 29
##
## VIC_RACE
## AMERICAN INDIAN/ALASKAN NATIVE: 1
## ASIAN / PACIFIC ISLANDER : 59
## BLACK :1157

```

```
## BLACK HISPANIC      : 195
## WHITE                : 48
## WHITE HISPANIC      : 359
```

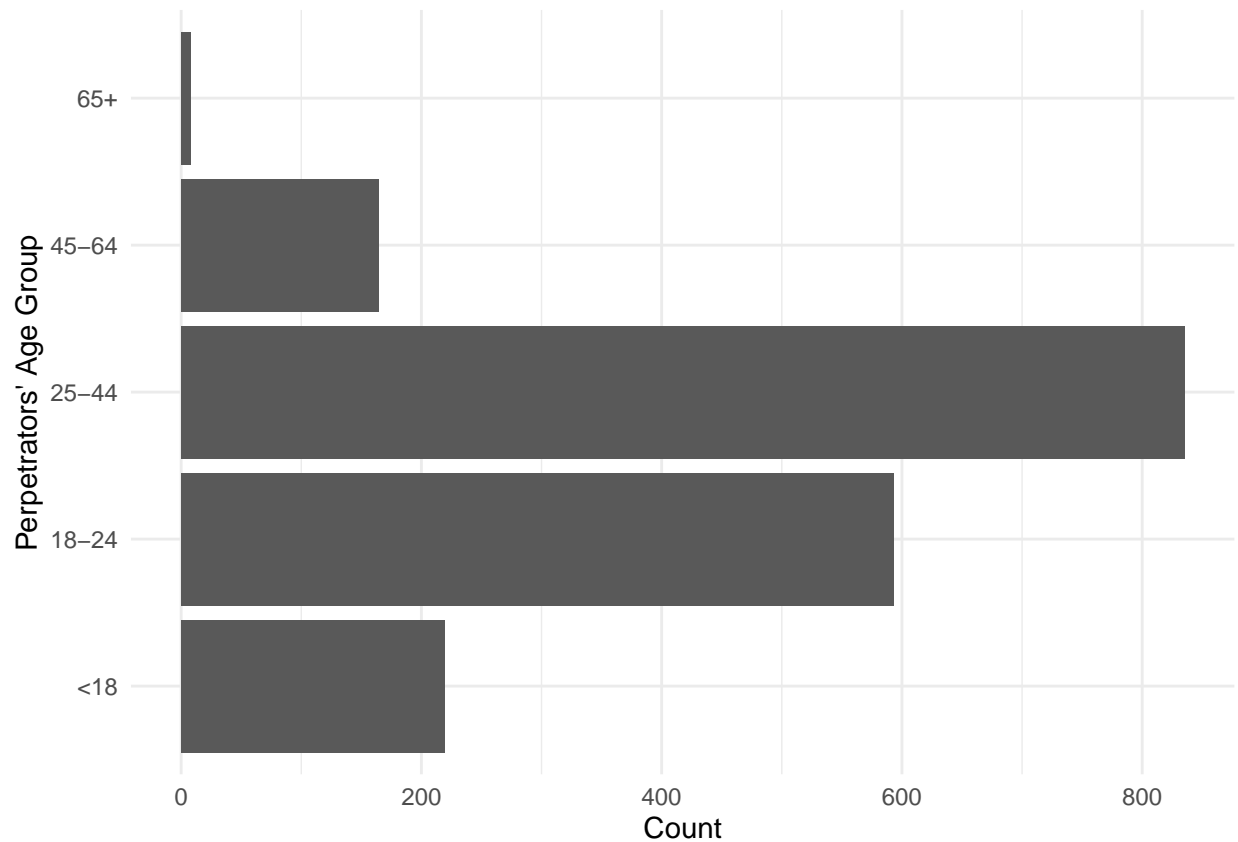
## Data visualization

### Perpetrators age distribution

```
summary(nyc_data_clean$PERP_AGE_GROUP)
```

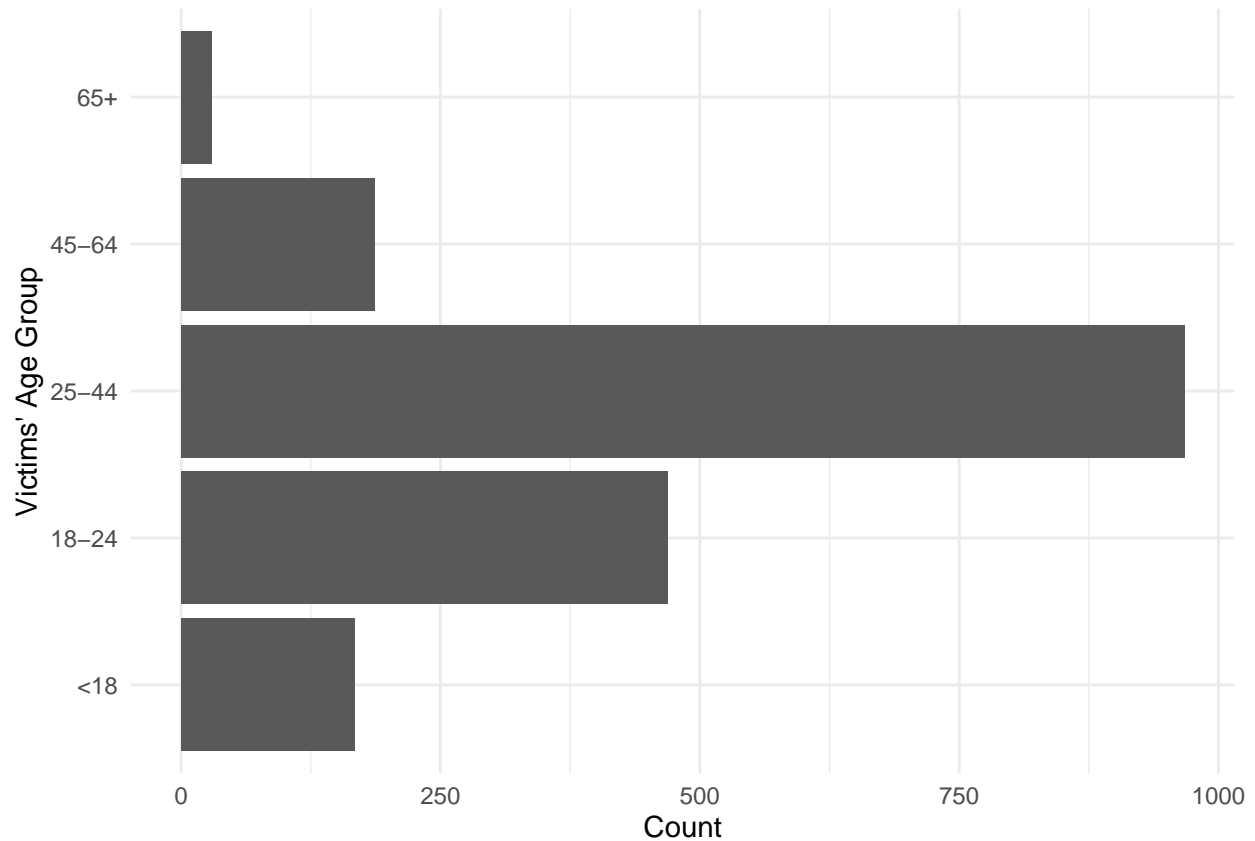
```
##   <18 18-24 25-44 45-64 65+
##   219   593   835   164    8
```

```
ggplot(nyc_data_clean, aes(x = PERP_AGE_GROUP)) +
  geom_bar() +
  xlab("Perpetrators' Age Group") +
  ylab("Count") +
  theme_minimal() +
  coord_flip()
```



## Victims age distribution

```
ggplot(nyc_data_clean, aes(x = VIC_AGE_GROUP)) +  
  geom_bar() +  
  xlab("Victims' Age Group") +  
  ylab("Count") +  
  theme_minimal() +  
  coord_flip()
```



## Sex and Race distribution

```
# Perpetrators' Sex  
print("Perpetrators' Sex Distribution:")
```

```
## [1] "Perpetrators' Sex Distribution:"
```

```
table(nyc_data_clean$PERP_SEX)
```

```
##  
##      F      M  
##  73 1746
```

```
# Victims' Sex
print("Victims' Sex Distribution:")
```

```
## [1] "Victims' Sex Distribution:"
```

```
table(nyc_data_clean$VIC_SEX)
```

```
##
##      F      M
## 234 1585
```

```
# Perpetrators' Race
print("Perpetrators' Race Distribution:")
```

```
## [1] "Perpetrators' Race Distribution:"
```

```
table(nyc_data_clean$PERP_RACE)
```

```
##
## ASIAN / PACIFIC ISLANDER      BLACK      BLACK HISPANIC
##              28              1232              188
##              WHITE      WHITE HISPANIC
##              26              345
```

```
# Victims' Race
print("Victims' Race Distribution:")
```

```
## [1] "Victims' Race Distribution:"
```

```
table(nyc_data_clean$VIC_RACE)
```

```
##
## AMERICAN INDIAN/ALASKAN NATIVE      ASIAN / PACIFIC ISLANDER
##              1              59
##              BLACK      BLACK HISPANIC
##              1157              195
##              WHITE      WHITE HISPANIC
##              48              359
```

## Analysis of relationships between variables

```
# Levels of variable VIC_SEX
levels(nyc_data_clean$VIC_SEX)
```

```
## [1] "F" "M"
```

```
# Levels of variable PERP_SEX
levels(nyc_data_clean$PERP_SEX)
```

```
## [1] "F" "M"
```

```
nyc_data_clean$VIC_SEX <- relevel(nyc_data_clean$VIC_SEX, ref = "M")
```

```
# Levels of variable VIC_SEX
levels(nyc_data_clean$VIC_SEX)
```

```
## [1] "M" "F"
```

```
# Levels of variable PERP_SEX
levels(nyc_data_clean$PERP_SEX)
```

```
## [1] "F" "M"
```

### Cross-tabulation of Perpetrators' and Victims' Sex

```
sex_table_p <- table(nyc_data_clean$PERP_SEX, nyc_data_clean$VIC_SEX)
print("Cross-tabulation of Perpetrators' and Victims' Sex:")
```

```
## [1] "Cross-tabulation of Perpetrators' and Victims' Sex:"
```

```
sex_table_p
```

```
##
##      M    F
## F   54   19
## M 1531  215
```

### Cross-tabulation of Perpetrators' and Victims' Age Groups

```
age_table <- table(nyc_data_clean$PERP_AGE_GROUP, nyc_data_clean$VIC_AGE_GROUP)
print("Cross-tabulation of Perpetrators' and Victims' Age Groups:")
```

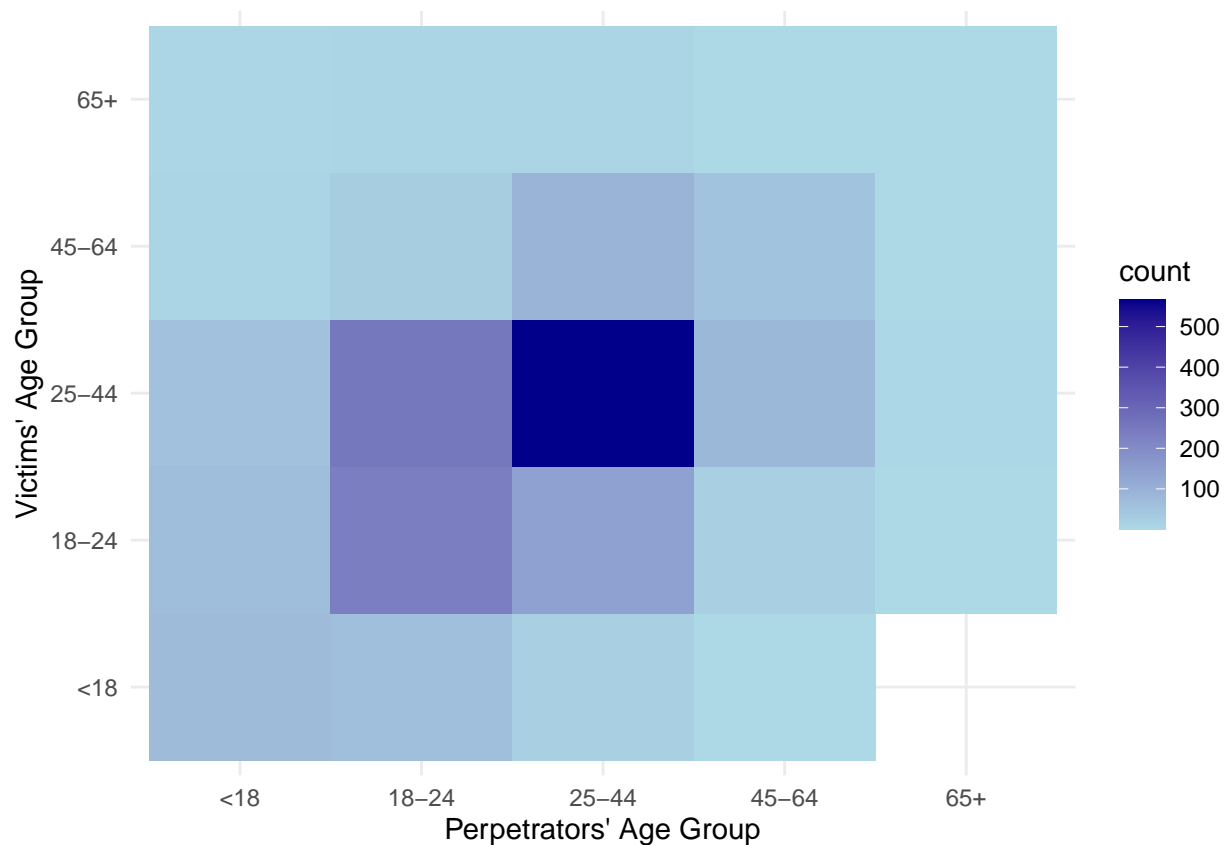
```
## [1] "Cross-tabulation of Perpetrators' and Victims' Age Groups:"
```

```
age_table
```

```
##
##      <18 18-24 25-44 45-64 65+
## <18    76   68   60    9   6
## 18-24   66  234  253   30  10
## 25-44   23  143  567   93   9
## 45-64    2   23   83   54   2
## 65+     0    1    4    1   2
```

## Heatmap of Age Group Interactions

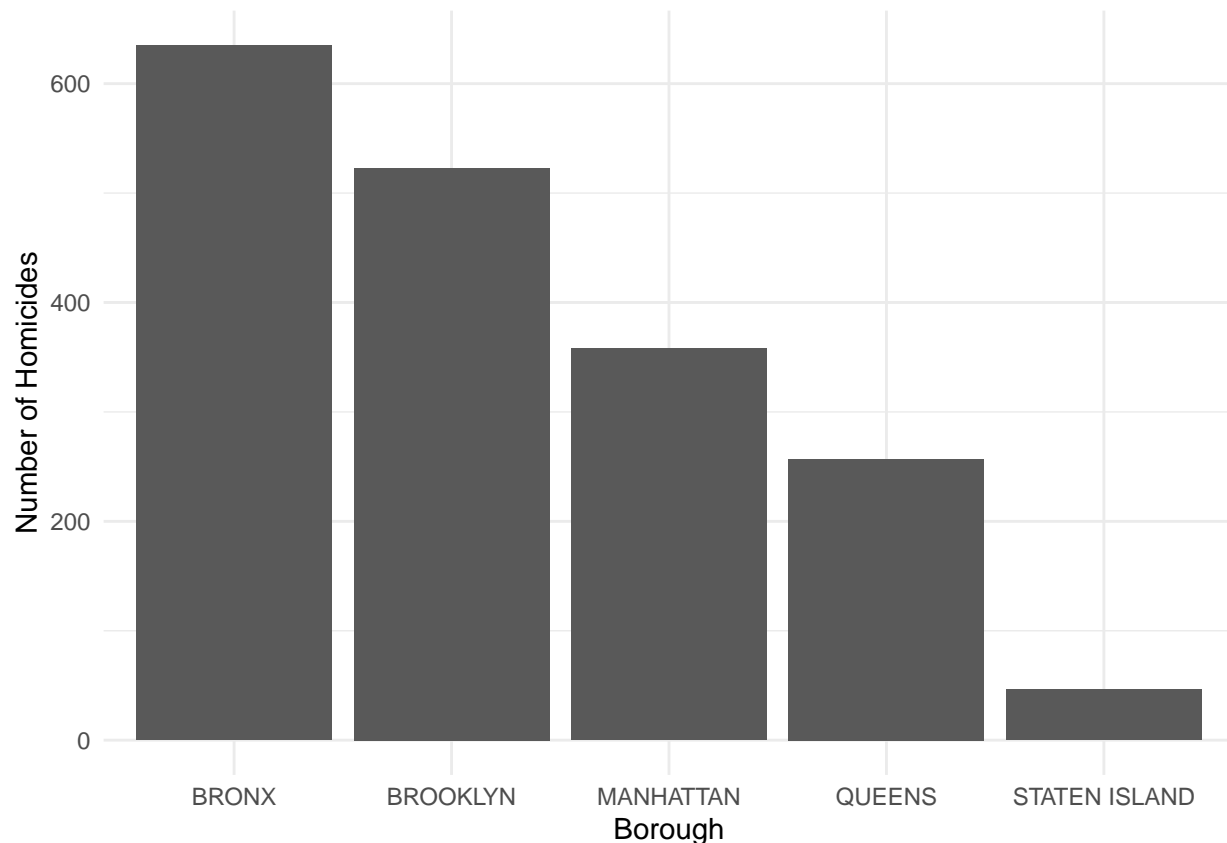
```
ggplot(nyc_data_clean, aes(x = PERP_AGE_GROUP, y = VIC_AGE_GROUP)) +  
  geom_bin2d() +  
  xlab("Perpetrators' Age Group") +  
  ylab("Victims' Age Group") +  
  theme_minimal() +  
  scale_fill_gradient(low = "lightblue", high = "darkblue")
```



## Distribution by Borough

```
ggplot(nyc_data_clean, aes(x = BORO)) +  
  geom_bar() +  
  xlab("Borough") +  
  ylab("Number of Homicides") +  
  theme_minimal()
```





## Logistic Regression model

I first ensure that VIC\_SEX (victim's sex) is correctly formatted as a factor variable suitable for logistic regression. This variable is binary, representing two categories (e.g., "M" for male and "F" for female). Then I use glm function for modeling the probability of the victim being of a certain sex based on perpetrator characteristics.

```
# Ensure VIC_SEX is a binary factor for logistic regression
nyc_data_clean$VIC_SEX <- factor(nyc_data_clean$VIC_SEX)

# Fit the model
model <- glm(VIC_SEX ~ PERP_SEX + PERP_AGE_GROUP + PERP_RACE,
             data = nyc_data_clean, family = "binomial")
summary(model)
```

```
##
## Call:
## glm(formula = VIC_SEX ~ PERP_SEX + PERP_AGE_GROUP + PERP_RACE,
##      family = "binomial", data = nyc_data_clean)
##
## Coefficients:
##              Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
## (Intercept)    -2.3751     1.0862  -2.187  0.02878 *
## PERP_SEXM      -0.9115     0.2849  -3.199  0.00138 **
## PERP_AGE_GROUP18-24 -0.1163     0.2360  -0.493  0.62208
```

```
## PERP_AGE_GROUP25-44      -0.1739      0.2276  -0.764  0.44503
## PERP_AGE_GROUP45-64      0.7721      0.2752   2.806  0.00502 **
## PERP_AGE_GROUP65+      -13.4407    505.5238  -0.027  0.97879
## PERP_RACEBLACK          1.5588      1.0250   1.521  0.12832
## PERP_RACEBLACK HISPANIC  1.0796      1.0525   1.026  0.30503
## PERP_RACEWHITE          0.6088      1.2644   0.482  0.63016
## PERP_RACEWHITE HISPANIC  0.6281      1.0435   0.602  0.54720
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## (Dispersion parameter for binomial family taken to be 1)
##
##      Null deviance: 1396.3  on 1818  degrees of freedom
## Residual deviance: 1342.3  on 1809  degrees of freedom
## AIC: 1362.3
##
## Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 14
```

## Bias reduction

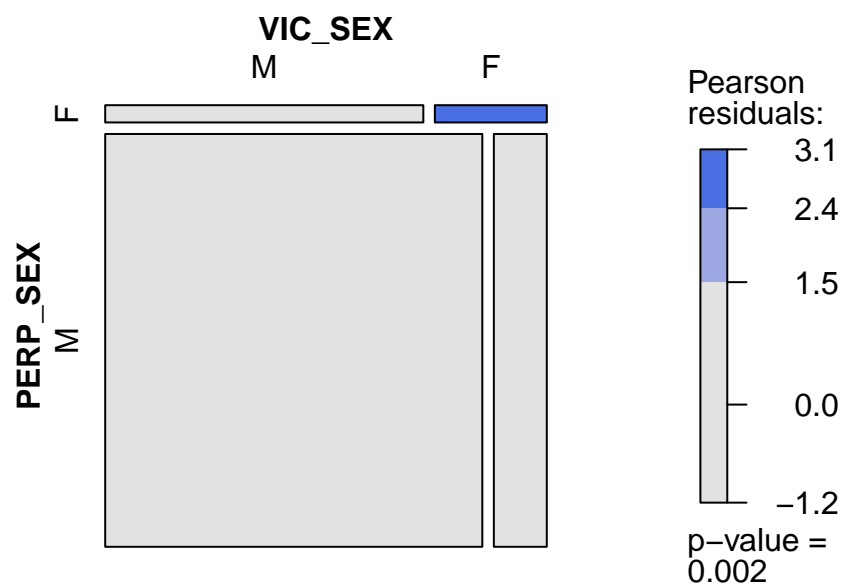
Since in my country there are many crimes committed by men targeting women, I have eliminated the potential bias and adjusted the model to correctly calculate the relationship between the perpetrator's characteristics and the victim's sex.

## An additional investigation

Since my initial hypothesis is not confirmed by the data, I would like to also explore the opposite case to see if there is any inverse relationship.

```
mosaic(~ PERP_SEX + VIC_SEX, data = nyc_data_clean, shade = TRUE,
       legend = TRUE, gp = shading_max,
       main = "Relation between sex of perpetrator and victim",
       xlab = "Sex of Perpetrator",
       ylab = "Sex of Victim")
```

## Relation between sex of perpetrator and victim



```
# Set "M" (male) as reference level for VIC_SEX
nyc_data_clean$VIC_SEX <- relevel(nyc_data_clean$VIC_SEX, ref = "M")

# Check that PERP_SEX has "F" (Female) as reference level
nyc_data_clean$PERP_SEX <- relevel(nyc_data_clean$PERP_SEX, ref = "F")

# Regression model
model <- glm(VIC_SEX ~ PERP_SEX, data = nyc_data_clean, family = binomial)

# Visualize the model
summary(model)
```

```
##
## Call:
## glm(formula = VIC_SEX ~ PERP_SEX, family = binomial, data = nyc_data_clean)
##
## Coefficients:
##             Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
## (Intercept)  -1.0445     0.2667  -3.916   9e-05 ***
## PERP_SEXM    -0.9185     0.2765  -3.322 0.000894 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## (Dispersion parameter for binomial family taken to be 1)
##
```

```
##      Null deviance: 1396.3  on 1818  degrees of freedom
## Residual deviance: 1386.7  on 1817  degrees of freedom
## AIC: 1390.7
##
## Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 4
```

## Conclusions

### Final Summary

- Female Perpetrators: \*\* More likely to have female victims
- Perpetrators Aged 45-64: \*\* More likely to have female victims compared to younger perpetrators.
- Perpetrator's Race: \*\* Did not show a significant effect on the victim's sex in the current model.

The results suggest significant differences in the victim's sex based on the perpetrator's sex and age. This information can be useful for:

- Developing Prevention Programs: Targeted at specific demographic groups.
- Informing Law Enforcement: To better understand crime dynamics and allocate resources.
- Promoting Further Research: Exploring other variables and delving deeper into the underlying causes of these relationships.

## Resources

- Data from NYPD: <https://data.cityofnewyork.us/>
- Github project: <https://github.com/derfel83/NY-PD-Shooting-Analysis>