

Caffeine Consumption of the World

1. Data

1.1 Sources

Caffeinedrink.js, countrydata.js and map.js are the three data file we used for our project. Caffeinedrink.js describes caffeine content of 60 kinds of drinks, all data in this file comes from Caffeine Content of Drinks.¹ The other file countrydata.js describes the coffee, tea and soda consumption and corresponding caffeine consumption from the three kinds of drinks around the world which comes from three sources, List of countries by coffee consumption per capita,² List of countries by tea consumption per capita³ and Americans Drink More Soda Than Anyone Else.⁴ Although we have coffee, tea and consumption from three links above, we still calculate the average caffeine content in those drinks from link1 and compute the caffeine content. Map.js used for mapping a country to its country code and continent, we got this data from getCountries()⁵ which is a cool web provides a lot of data about countries. In the last part, how much caffeine is okay to have, we use the data from Caffeine Safe Limits: Determine Your Safe Daily Dose.⁶

1.2 Variables

In Caffeinedrink.js, one object represents the caffeine content for a specific kind of drink and there are five variables in one object.

```
{
  "Type": "Coffee",
  "Drink": "Nescafe Ice Java",
  "Volume_floz": 0.85,
  "Caffeine_mg": 100,
  "caffeinemg/floz": 117.6
}
```

Type is what kind of this drink, coffee, tea or soda. Drink is the name of this drink.

Volume_floz represents the common volume of this kind of drink using floz.

Caffeine_mg is the caffeine content in this kind of drink. Caffeinemg/floz represents the caffeine content per floz in this drink which will be shown in the bar chart.

In countrydata.js, one object represents the caffeine consumption from different kind of drinks in specific country and there are eight variables in an object.

```
{
  "Country": "Albania",
  "annualTea": 0.013,
  "annualSoda": 0,
  "annualCoffee": 1.6,
  "caffeineTea": 0.52,
  "caffeineSoda": 0,
  "caffeineCoffee": 65.6,
  "totalcaffeine": 66.12
}
```

Country represents the country name. AnnualTea, annualSoda and annualCoffee are the annual tea, soda and coffee consumption of one person in this country by kg.

CaffeineTea, caffeineSoda and caffeineCoffee represent the daily caffeine consumption from tea, soda and coffee of one person in this country by mg. Totalcaffeine is the sum of daily caffeine consumption from tea, soda and coffee which can be seen as the total caffeine consumption from drinks.

In map.js, there are three variables in an object provides country code and continent information for each country as following format.

```
{  
  "countryCode": "AD",  
  "countryName": "Andorra",  
  "continent": "EU"  
}
```

1.3 Reformatting

A number of edits and reformatting changes had to be made for our purposes. Firstly, we import all the data into two csv file. Secondly, we make some changes on the two files through Microsoft Excel. For caffeinedrink, we only manually add variable "Type" for every drink. For countrydata, we do more calculation on the data we get from the resource. For instance, we only have the annual consumption of coffee, tea and soda per person, we calculate the average caffeine content in these drinks and compute the daily caffeine consumption and daily total caffeine consumption per person. Last, we convert the csv file to js file through js converter.

2. Visualizations

2.1 Bubble chart

We tried world map in the initial design but we found it's really difficult to see a large amount of countries clearly, so we decided to use bubble charts instead. Thanks for the inspiration from Fun with D3js: Data Visualization Eye Candy with Streaming JSON.⁷

This is the first visualization when user load this webpage, we want to represent an overview about caffeine consumption among each country. We use bubble size to represent the caffeine consumption and colored each bubble a color according to its continent so that user can learn both caffeine consumption and continent information from the bubble chart. We add seven buttons to provide seven filter methods to show caffeine consumption in specific continent or all of the countries. Each bubble can be clicked to create a tooltip which can display the country's name and its consumption. We also use basic transition() and duration() method to add animation to make the bubble chart more lively.

2.2 Liquid Bubbles

This part of the project represents the total % of liquid consumed per type (coffee, tea and soda) by a selected country. We wanted to show the story behind what people were drinking in addition to the caffeine. We wanted to give an overview of what a country was doing and what they drank at quick glance. This chart was created using the liquid bubbles⁸ d3 code found on the d3 examples page. Joe modified this to use gradient fills instead of solid fills to give a more interesting and liquid look. Coffee was given a darker color of coffee, tea was given an orange to yellow opaque color to reflect tea and

finally soda was given a more caramel to dark brown color so that it still looked like soda, but didn't conflict with the color of coffee.

2.3 Bar Chart

This part represents the caffeine content of top 20 drinks in 400mL for coffee, tea or soda. User could learn the caffeine content for specific kind of drinks through the bar chart and find out the drink suitable for him/her. When user load this html file and would defaultly shown the information about coffee and would change when user click the buttons. We also use transition() to add animation for bar chart and add click event to show a tooltip describe the drink's name and caffeine content represented by this bar.

2.4 Caffeine Consumption Quiz

We use four dropdown menu, four input components and two buttons to construct the frame of this little quiz which helps user learn whether their caffeine consumption is suitable for his/her condition. User can choose their basic upper limit of caffeine consumption according to his/her age and health condition. The default attribute for each user is a healthy adult and we could calculate a more suitable caffeine content if user input his/her weight. The following dropdown menu contains 60 kinds of drinks (we filter out the drinks which have too little caffeine), user can choose the drinks and number as their daily consumption. The result and our advice will be shown when user click the calculate button and the previous record will be deleted when user click clear button. A modal was put in to present the findings, which made it easier on mobile devices for users to see results quickly but also dismiss them quickly.

2.5 Media Query

Bootstrap (getbootstrap.com) was used for responsive DIVS and <http://verge.airve.com/> was used to detect screen size and get new width for SVGs. We divide common devices to six groups which have their own constraints. As a result, our project could be accustomed to cell phone and tablet from width 320px to 1279px(e.g. iPhone 4 to iPhone 6 Plus, iPad Mini, iPad, Galaxy and Nexus).

3. Story

The story this data tells is the caffeine and drink consumption around the world. It starts by showing you the top consuming countries based on caffeine in the world, and invites you to click on the circles to find out what country it is. Once you click it then shows you in that country what people are actually consuming (coffee, tea, soda). One surprising thing you see when clicking on the bubbles and seeing the consumption of drinks is sometimes how one sided a drink is based on continent and country. Further exploration was to show the caffeine content of popular drinks in the different categories. The amount of caffeine in some of the coffee drinks are surprisingly much larger than the others. Finally, we wanted to show people what the consumption limits are. Often people have a preconceived notion of how much caffeine is bad for you (Joe for instance drinks Red Bull and people always say one red bull is terrible for you it has so much caffeine!) but through this little interactive section, you can put in your weight and see if the amount of caffeine you are drinking in a day is okay or too much.

Overall the story is telling about caffeine consumption and looking how people get it and how to be healthy while drinking it.

Visually we made the flow of the page to take them through the story. First we used bright, colorful circles that invited you visually to click on them. With it right next to the labels of the colors of the continents, users can quickly understand what to do. Next, the liquid circles were placed next to the circle chart in larger screens so that users could click on circles and see direct change in the liquid circles. On a smaller screen the large circle chart will be the first layer with the liquid circles below it. They are small enough that a user could see both on screen at the same time.

Next a new layer is started in which you can see caffeine content in each of the different categories. This is set onto a different colored background to give it separation from the previous section., but uses similar colors in the buttons to tie it to the entire design. You can tell that it is a part of the information, but it is a new level of information.

Finally the last part is setup with instructions on the left and input fields on the right which is how users would read a site. Input fields are easy to tab through and followed by a calculate button. The calculate button is a new color to draw attention to it.

¹<http://www.caffeineinformer.com/the-caffeine-database>

²<https://www.google.com/fusiontables/DataSource?docid=1C-fn6nSe21acP0xJIO1T1x0wohqfMYCQyJjbqdk#rows:id=1>

³https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_countries_by_tea_consumption_per_capita

⁴http://www.slate.com/articles/health_and_science/map_of_the_week/2012/07/map_of_soda_consumption_americans_drink_more_than_anyone_else.html

⁵<http://peric.github.io/GetCountries>

⁶<http://www.caffeineinformer.com/caffeine-safe-limits>

⁷<https://www.pubnub.com/blog/2014-10-08-fun-with-d3js-data-visualization-eye-candy-with-streaming-json>

⁸<http://bl.ocks.org/brattonc/5e5ce9beee483220e2f6>