Our project will examine trends of baby names over the past century. We’ll examine change in gender of names over time; difference in popularity of names by state/region compared to national; influence of “famous people” (e.g., sports, entertainment, etc.) on names; and ethnicity changes over time by state/region. We will use an existing dataset for names by state and time. We will attempt to acquire a dataset that identifies ethnicity of first names. And we will attempt to identify correlation between popular celebrities and increase in name popularity.