# Lab3: Reducing Crime

w203 Lab3

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## Introduction

We have been tasked to help shape up a political campaign in North Carolina. We are equipped with "Crime Statistics" data of year 1987 for selected counties in North Carolina. Our task is to decipher this data and understand various factors that could affect the crime rate and make statistics backed suggestions applicable to local government to improve the Crime rate in North Carolina.

## Setup

First, we load the necessary libraries.

```
suppressMessages(library(dplyr))
suppressMessages(library(stargazer))
suppressMessages(library(corrplot))
suppressMessages(library(ggplot2))
suppressMessages(library(sandwich))
```

#### Data Load

```
rawCrimeData = read.csv("crime_v2.csv")
dim(rawCrimeData)
```

## [1] 97 25

The dataset contains 25 variables and 97 observations. Now lets see if there are any bad data that needs to be cleaned up.

## Data Quality/Clean-up

sum(is.na(rawCrimeData\$county))

#### Convert county to factor

Since county is not a measurement, it won't make sense to roll it up for aggregation or do any mathematical operation, therefore we'll convert it into factor.

```
rawCrimeData$county <- as.factor(rawCrimeData$county)
length(levels(rawCrimeData$county))
## [1] 90</pre>
```

```
## [1] 6
```

Interestingly, we have 91 non NA rows but only 90 levels. Eyeballing the data shows there are two identical rows for county 193, same can be verified using duplicated function. Lets drop the duplicate row.

```
rawCrimeData[duplicated(rawCrimeData[!is.na(rawCrimeData$county),]), c("county","crmrte")]
## county crmrte
## 89    193    0.0235277
#so lets delete the duplicate row
rawCrimeData <- rawCrimeData[!duplicated(rawCrimeData[!is.na(rawCrimeData$county),]),]
nrow(rawCrimeData) #after removal of duplicate we are left with 96 observations..
## [1] 96</pre>
```

#### Convert prbconv to number

Now lets convert proconv from factor to number because it is a *ratio* of convictions to arrest, so it is actual measurement and should be analyzed as number for aggregations and other mathematical operations.

```
rawCrimeData$prbconv <- as.numeric(levels(rawCrimeData$prbconv))[rawCrimeData$prbconv]</pre>
```

```
## Warning: NAs introduced by coercion

summary(rawCrimeData$prbconv)

## Min. 1st Qu. Median Mean 3rd Qu. Max. NA's

## 0.06838 0.34422 0.45170 0.55086 0.58513 2.12121 6
```

#### Remove NAs

```
#let us find how many NA records we have..
sum(is.na(rawCrimeData$county))

## [1] 6

The data set contains 6 NA rows, lets remove them
crimeData <- rawCrimeData[!is.na(rawCrimeData$county),]
min(complete.cases(crimeData))

## [1] 1</pre>
```

## **Exploratory Data Analysis**

Now, we'll conduct an Exploratory Data Analysis of the given dataset. This process will help us gain a solid understanding of our variables, which will eventually be essential to choose right variable combinations for our regression model.

## Univariate Analysis

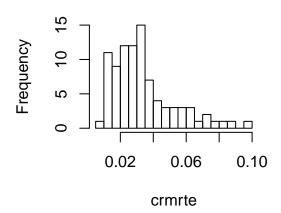
#### crmrte: crimes committed per person

This is outcome variable for our regression model where we will try and derive relationships between various independent variables and crime rate.

Looking at the quarantines of crmrte we can see large difference between 3rd quantile and max. So there are few outliers counties with very high crime rates than rest. This is also evident from histogram.

```
hist(crimeData$crmrte, breaks=20, main = "Histogram of crmrte"
, cex.main=0.8, xlab="crmrte")
```

#### Histogram of crmrte



To take care of outliers and fit the variable into normal distribution, we can easily take a log of crime rate. However, we observed that the values of crimes rates per person are between 0 and 1. This range is not suitable for logarithms. Instead, we decided to scale by creating new variable for crime rate per 1000 people (crmrtepk) and then lets take log(crmrtepk). The new variable is log\_crmrtepk which shows nice normal distribution. Going forward whenever we talk about crime rate, we will use log\_crmrtepk (log of crmrt per k)

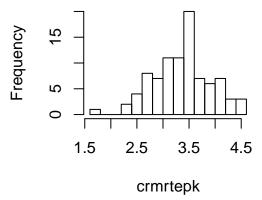
```
summary(crimeData$crmrte)
```

```
## Min. 1st Qu. Median Mean 3rd Qu. Max.
## 0.005533 0.020604 0.030002 0.033510 0.040249 0.098966

crimeData$crmrtepk <- crimeData$crmrte * 1000

crimeData$log_crmrtepk <- log(crimeData$crmrtepk)
hist(crimeData$log_crmrtepk, breaks=20, main = "Histogram of crmrtepk"
    , cex.main=0.8, xlab="crmrtepk")</pre>
```

#### Histogram of crmrtepk



```
crimeData[crimeData$crmrtepk>90, c("county","crmrtepk", "density")]
```

```
## county crmrtepk density
## 53 119 98.9659 8.827652
```

Also we noticed the right most outlier, county=119 has crime rate of 98 for every 1000 people, that is 1 crime per every 10 people which is very high. Population Density also is highest among all counties. More

information is required to understand what is so different about this county so that appropriate remedial action can be suggested.

## Convert polpc from per capita to per 1000 people to keep the scale

Since we have converted crimerate from per capita to per K people, lets also convert other per capita variable polpe to same scale. While scaling we notice that for county 115 the police per 1000 people is highest at 9 while average is just 1.7. Notably the second highest police per 1k is 4.5. Crime rate and density in this county is not high, but prbarr is highest at 1.09 and avgsen is highest at 20.7. Which means County 115 has highest police numbers which would logically translate into highest arrests. Though higher police numbers can not logically explain highest average sentence in that county. We need more information about this county, may be there is a central jail for all of western counties of North Carolina which would explain highest police population and highest average sentences.

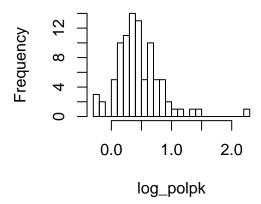
```
crimeData$log_polpk <- log(crimeData$polpc * 1000)
hist(crimeData$log_polpk, breaks=20, main = "Histogram of log_polpk", xlab="log_polpk")
summary(crimeData$polpk)

## Length Class Mode
## 0 NULL NULL

crimeData[crimeData$polpc>.009,c("county", "polpc", "log_polpk", "avgsen")]

## county polpc log_polpk avgsen
## 51 115 0.00905433 2.203243 20.7
```

## Histogram of log\_polpk



#### Check if there are any abnormal probabilities

We have 10 counties where proconvising greater than 1, which means there are more convictions than arrests. In fact there is one county=185 which has more than 2 convictions per arrest. Out of these 10 counties, one county (115) also has proconty greater than 1 indicating more arrests than offences. We have talked about this county in detail while analyzing polpc variable earlier.

Under normal circumstances probabilities should not cross 0 to 1 range, but in this case the probabilities are mere proxies to actual police and judiciary data. One of the possible explanation to more convictions than arrest could be transfers of arrested people from outside counties where they were arrested to court locations within county. In absence of more details on these probabilities we keep the probabilities above 1 as it is and proceed further with our analysis

```
data.probabilities <- cbind(crimeData$prbarr,crimeData$prbconv,crimeData$prbpris,deparse.level = 2)
colnames(data.probabilities) <- c("prbarr", "prbconv", "prbpris")
summary(data.probabilities)</pre>
```

```
##
        prbarr
                          prbconv
                                              prbpris
##
            :0.09277
                               :0.06838
    Min.
                       Min.
                                          Min.
                                                  :0.1500
    1st Qu.:0.20495
                       1st Qu.:0.34422
                                          1st Qu.:0.3642
    Median :0.27146
                       Median :0.45170
                                          Median :0.4222
##
##
    Mean
            :0.29524
                               :0.55086
                                          Mean
                                                  :0.4106
                       Mean
##
    3rd Qu.:0.34487
                       3rd Qu.:0.58513
                                           3rd Qu.:0.4576
##
    Max.
            :1.09091
                       Max.
                               :2.12121
                                          Max.
                                                  :0.6000
```

Now lets look look in detail at outliers in these probabilities. Outlier in prbarr is county 115 which has been already discussed in earlier section for polpc. Lets look at outlier in prbconv which is county 185

```
crimeData[crimeData$prbconv>2,c("county","prbconv","avgsen","pctmin80","wser")]
```

```
## county prbconv avgsen pctmin80 wser
## 84 185 2.12121 5.38 64.3482 2177.068
```

We observe an interesting combination of extremes for County 185. It has highest Arrest to Conviction ratio of 2.1. At the same time least average sentence of 5.4 days. It has highest % of minority as of 1980 at 64%. And very high weekly wage in service industry at 2177. It is difficult to conclude by such extremes without knowing more about that county. But a best guess would be there are more convictions for small petite crimes for which there are no arrest, may be just community service or warnings. Hence conviction ration is very high while average sentence is lowest.

```
avgsen: Average sentence (in days)
```

avgsen shows normal distribution with couple of outliers on right. Out of top 3 counties with average sentence, we have already analysed county 115 while analyzing polpc. The other two counties 41 and 127 have very high % of minority (42% and 34% respectively). It is difficult to draw conclusion as to why higher average sentence in these areas without any spike in crime rate. Concerned authorities should investigate this further.

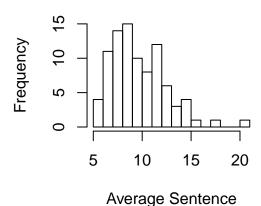
```
summary(crimeData$avgsen)
```

```
## Min. 1st Qu. Median Mean 3rd Qu. Max.
## 5.380 7.375 9.110 9.689 11.465 20.700
```

```
hist(crimeData$avgsen, breaks=20, main = "Histogram of Average Sentence"
    , cex.main=0.8, xlab="Average Sentence")
crimeData[crimeData$avgsen>15,c("county","avgsen","pctmin80", "crmrtepk")]
```

```
## county avgsen pctmin80 crmrtepk
## 19 41 17.41 42.64210 25.7713
## 51 115 20.70 1.28365 5.5332
## 56 127 15.99 34.27990 29.1496
```

## **Histogram of Average Sentence**



#### density: people per sq. mile

Density distribution is skewed with high concentration between .5 to 1.5 people per sq. mile. But there are outliers at both end. Lets look at them.

```
summary(crimeData$density)
```

```
## Min. 1st Qu. Median Mean 3rd Qu. Max.
## 0.00002 0.54718 0.97925 1.43567 1.56926 8.82765
crimeData[crimeData$density<.3 | crimeData$density>7,c("county", "density", "mix")]
```

```
## county density mix
## 53 119 8.8276519780 0.1686990
## 79 173 0.0000203422 0.4197531
```

We have already talked about county 119 having highest density 8.8 people per square mile. Whereas county 173 has very low density of 0.00002 with highest mix of 0.42 i.e. it has highest % of face o face crimes. The population density is so low that mix could be at its peak even by chance. The population density is unrealistically low hence we replace it with mean of density from rest of the counties

crimeData[crimeData\$density<.3,]\$density <- mean(crimeData\$density>.3,]\$density)

#### taxpc: tax revenue per capita

Looking at the histogram of tax revenue per capita, the distribution appears to be positively skewed. Applying log() shows the histogram to appear slightly positively skewed. We will also scale this to per 1000 people to bring in line with crime rate. The linear regressions would benefit from this transformation. The one outlier with 119 taxpc does not show any other extreme value nor does it show any super high wages to imply high

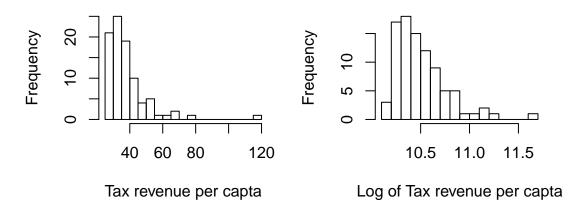
taxes. So this county looks to be wealthy county in general with population paying high taxes from income outside wages.

```
hist(crimeData$taxpc, breaks=20, main = "Histogram of Tax revenue per capita"
    , cex.main=0.8, xlab="Tax revenue per capta")
hist(log(crimeData$taxpc*1000), breaks=20, main = "Histogram of Log Tax revenue per capita"
    , cex.main=0.8, xlab="Log of Tax revenue per capta")
crimeData$log_taxpk <- log(crimeData$taxpc*1000)
crimeData[crimeData$taxpc>100,]
```

```
prbarr prbconv prbpris avgsen
##
      county year
                     crmrte
## 25
              87 0.0790163 0.224628 0.207831 0.304348 13.57 0.00400962
##
        density
                   taxpc west central urban pctmin80
                                          0 6.49622 309.5238 445.2762
## 25 0.5115089 119.7615
                            0
                                    0
##
          wtrd
                   wfir
                                   wmfg
                                          wfed
                                                 wsta
                                                        wloc
                            wser
## 25 189.7436 284.5933 221.3903 319.21 338.91 361.68 326.08 0.08437271
         pctymle crmrtepk log_crmrtepk log_polpk log_taxpk
## 25 0.07613807 79.0163
                              4.369654 1.388696
                                                 11.69326
```

#### Histogram of Tax revenue per capita

#### Histogram of Log Tax revenue per capita

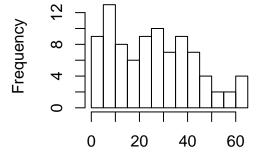


pctmin80: perc. minority, 1980

Looking at the histogram of % of minority as of 1980, it is equally distributed. There are no surprises or any outliers that interests us.

hist(crimeData\$pctmin80, breaks=20, main = "Histogram of % minority", xlab = "")

## Histogram of % minority

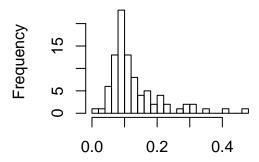


#### mix: offense mix: face-to-face/other

Looking at the histogram, the distribution appears to be slightly positively skewed with few outliers. But otherwise this is fairly normally distributed. Looking at the top 2 counties for mix are located in the western region. Difficult to draw any conclusion based on this but something for authorities to look into.

```
hist(crimeData$mix, breaks=20, main = "Face-to-face/other"
     , cex.main=.8, xlab = "")
summary(crimeData$mix)
      Min. 1st Qu. Median
                               Mean 3rd Qu.
                                               Max.
## 0.01961 0.08060 0.10095 0.12905 0.15206 0.46512
crimeData[crimeData$mix>.4,c("county", "west", "central", "urban", "mix")]
##
      county west central urban
## 3
           5
                        0
                               0 0.4651163
         173
## 79
                        0
                               0 0.4197531
                1
```

Face-to-face/other



#### pctymle: percent young male

, cex.main=.8, xlab = "")

Looking at the histogram, the distribution appears to be positively skewed with a long tail and one distant outlier. 24% young male population might indicate a large manufacturing industry or some sort of labor intensive work setup in this county though manufacturing or any other wage does not support this deduction. In absence of any other evidence we will keep this outlier without any modification.

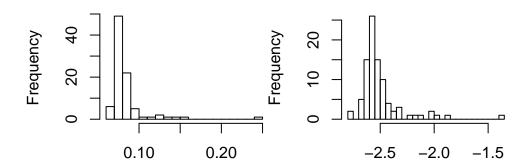
```
summary(crimeData$pctymle)
      Min. 1st Qu. Median
                              Mean 3rd Qu.
                                               Max.
## 0.06216 0.07437 0.07770 0.08403 0.08352 0.24871
crimeData[crimeData$pctymle>.2,]
##
                     crmrte prbarr prbconv prbpris avgsen
      county year
                                                                   polpc
               87 0.0551287 0.26696 0.271947 0.334951
## 59
                                                         8.99 0.00154457
##
                  taxpc west central urban pctmin80
       density
                                                         wcon
                                                                  wtuc
  59 1.650066 27.46926
##
                                            26.3814 264.0406 318.9644
          wtrd
                   wfir
                                   wmfg wfed
                                                 wsta
                                                        wloc
##
                            wser
## 59 183.2609 265.1232 230.6581 258.25 326.1 329.43 301.64 0.1217632
        pctymle crmrtepk log_crmrtepk log_polpk log_taxpk
##
                              4.00967 0.4347456 10.22082
## 59 0.2487116 55.1287
```

hist(crimeData\$pctymle, breaks=20, main = "Percent Young Male"

```
hist(log(crimeData$pctymle), breaks=20, main = "Log Percent Young Male"
, cex.main=.8, xlab = "")
```

#### **Percent Young Male**

#### Log Percent Young Male



#### wages

Now lets look at all wages together. We will also calculate average wage across all wage categories. Overall all wages look well distributed. Total wage is almost perfectly normally distributed. The red line represents average for each of the category. Interestingly retail has least of the wages and fed has the highest wage.

Since we don't find significant difference in any of the wages, going forward we will use wtotal as proxy for various wages to see effect of wage on crime.

```
[1] 1061.8897
                    751.2527
                              753.2913
                                         819.5865
                                                    795.3958
                                                                         872.9328
##
                                                               754.3157
##
    [8]
         797.4570
                    816.3483 1123.6675 1061.0306
                                                    967.5013 1032.2563
                                                                         918.5653
##
   [15]
         865.1721
                    997.4808
                              858.9161
                                         812.6532
                                                    836.4007
                                                               962.3981
                                                                         964.8537
   [22]
         992.3221 1023.8902
                              780.2143
                                         825.1936
                                                    924.5911
                                                               950.5421
                                                                         797.5878
##
##
   [29]
        1473.2688
                    846.4644
                              784.2533 1374.4425 1002.2055
                                                               871.0111
                                                                         802.7482
                              823.6719 1120.9221 1036.2078
##
   [36]
        1174.9006
                    896.7371
                                                               835.9969
                                                                         735.3245
##
   Γ431
         968.2335
                    808.1925
                              864.4711
                                         950.8972
                                                    960.8112
                                                               885.9290
                                                                         839.7436
##
   [50]
         812.6404 1036.0919
                              838.7150 1358.0662
                                                    792.0945
                                                               897.5513 1076.7725
   [57]
        1120.4807
                    759.0204
                              754.0313 1070.8275
                                                    614.7363
                                                               827.4683
                                                                         715.4416
   [64]
         524.9746
                    856.4821 1042.3844
                                         853.0897
                                                    894.8974
                                                               805.8287
                                                                         879.7144
##
   [71]
         966.8900
                    969.3879
                              865.5895
                                         812.7347
                                                    936.3476
                                                               930.9279
                                                                         844.6708
   [78]
                                                    829.2993 1222.7951 2689.2112
##
         881.8954
                    664.4832 1202.2328
                                         962.7986
   [85]
         762.3415
                    927.3813
                              853.7903
                                         956.5847 1100.5714
                                                              883.8838
```

## +crimeData\$wfed+crimeData\$wsta+crimeData\$wloc

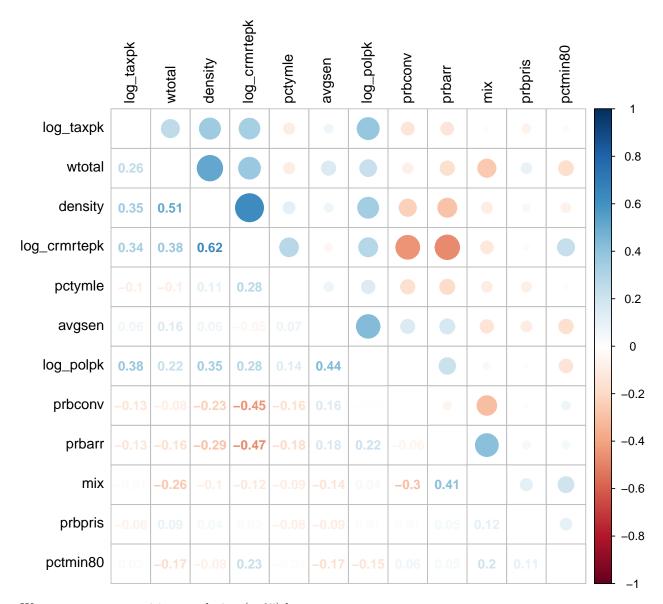
```
##
    [1]
       1081.58 1074.26 971.88 1039.45 1087.40 992.41 1084.32 1084.24
##
    [9]
         989.96
                 960.92 1212.79 1133.20 1254.88 1044.73 1033.14 1219.51
                 949.56 1153.88 1136.54 1054.11 1062.47 1134.99 1052.15
   [17] 1175.44
       1026.67 1135.23 1124.50 1056.35 1341.86 1221.07 1133.21 1285.17
       1208.12 1211.39 1061.58 1323.83 1136.48 1161.94 1129.29 1110.00
##
   [33]
   [41] 1042.73 1164.18 1162.24 1121.22 1127.29 1074.02 1153.84 1145.88
   [49]
       1043.47
                 957.85 1168.71 1046.57 1277.39
                                                 998.86 1109.88 1218.62
       1288.93 1063.40
                         957.17 1342.59
                                        966.47 1086.11 1050.05 1023.06
   [65] 1008.41 1338.62 1065.49 1067.64 1119.57 1127.68 1138.68 1189.71
  [73] 1030.71 1047.21 1109.02 1087.69 1061.67 1118.36 1053.44 1000.08
## [81] 1222.93 1057.21 1414.02 1048.71 1014.93 1176.82 1037.62 1154.88
```

```
## [89] 1121.18 1084.22
wages <- rbind(data.frame(wageType="wcon", wage=crimeData$wcon, meanWage=mean(crimeData$wcon)),</pre>
                data.frame(wageType="wtuc", wage=crimeData$wtuc, meanWage=mean(crimeData$wtuc)),
                data.frame(wageType="wtrd", wage=crimeData$wtrd, meanWage=mean(crimeData$wtrd)),
                data.frame(wageType="wfir", wage=crimeData$wfir, meanWage=mean(crimeData$wfir)),
                data.frame(wageType="wser", wage=crimeData$wser, meanWage=mean(crimeData$wser)),
                data.frame(wageType="wmfg", wage=crimeData$wmfg, meanWage=mean(crimeData$wmfg)),
                data.frame(wageType="wfed", wage=crimeData$wfed, meanWage=mean(crimeData$wfed)),
                data.frame(wageType="wsta", wage=crimeData$wsta, meanWage=mean(crimeData$wsta)),
                data.frame(wageType="wloc", wage=crimeData$wloc, meanWage=mean(crimeData$wloc)),
                data.frame(wageType="wtotal", wage=crimeData$wtotal, meanWage=mean(crimeData$wtotal)))
ggplot(wages, aes(x=wage)) + geom_histogram(bins=40, color="white") +
  facet_wrap(~wageType, scales="free") + geom_vline(aes(xintercept=meanWage), color="red")
                                                              wtrd
                                                                                    wfir
             wcon
                                                  12.5
   8 -
                          10.0 -
                                                  10.0 -
   6 -
                          7.5 -
                                                   7.5 -
                                                                          6 -
                          5.0 -
    4 -
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                          7.5 -
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  20 -
                          5.0 -
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    0
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                                                          400
                                                                           250 300 350 400 450 500
             wloc
                                     wtotal
   9 -
                            9 -
    6 -
                            6 -
    3 -
     240 280 320 360
                              600 800 1000 1200
```

#### Analysis of Key Relationships

It is very imperative to realize the relationship between crime rate and all the data available to us. We'll use corrplot to make the exploration of key relationships clearer.

wage



We can see strong positive correlation (>.25) between

- 1. crime rate (log\_crmrtepk) and population density (density), total wages (wtotal) and taxes (log\_taxpk). Which is logical in the sense that as population density increases, wages and taxes would go up and so would the crimes rate in that area will increase. Note that Density itself is correlated with total wages and taxes, so we can take only one of these variables in our model to avoid multi co-linearity.
- 2. crime rate (log\_crmrtepk) and % of male population (pctymle). Historically it has been observed that men are involved in crime more than woman. So this relation makes logical sense. As male population increases there is higher number of criminal activity and hence more crime rate in that area.

On the opposite side, we can see *strong negative* correlation (< -.25) between crime rate (log\_crmrtepk) and probability of arrest (prbarr) and probability of conviction (prbconv). And the two probabilities are not correlated with each other.

Apart from these strong correlations, we also have *weak positive* correlation between crime rate and % of minority (pctmin80). The relation is not so strong and hence we need not include in our primary model.

Apart from effect on crime rate, there are some other interesting relations that can be seen here. For instance,

the number of police per capita (log\_polpk) increases as taxes (log\_taxpk) and population density increases. And, as police force strengthens the Average sentence (avgsen) goes up. Maybe the additional police force catches serious criminals who get longer duration sentences?

There is another interesting trio of relationships. As mix of face to face crimes go up the probability of arrest goes up but probability of conviction goes down. Logical explanation of this situation would be since there are more face to face crimes, it is easier to identify the person involved and hence more and may be faster arrests, but these extra arrest do not translate to convictions and hence they drag down the conviction rate.

## Proposed Models

## Model 1: with only the explanatory variables

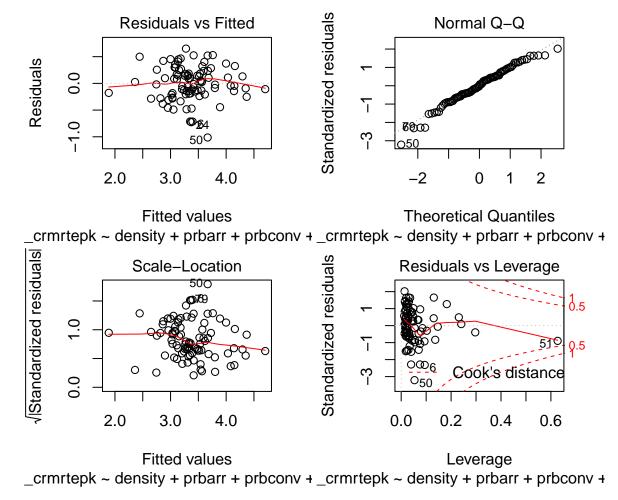
As observed during our EDA, Probability of Arrest (prbarr), probability of Conviction (prbconv), Density (density) show largest effect on Crime Rate (log\_crmrtepk). We will also include log\_polpk, since it showed a weak positive correlation with crime rate.

Given that, we're recommending the following model:

```
model1 = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \cdot density + \beta_2 \cdot prbarr + \beta_3 \cdot prbconv + \beta_4 \cdot log_polpk
```

```
model1 <- lm(log_crmrtepk ~ density + prbarr + prbconv + log_polpk, data=crimeData)
summary(model1)</pre>
```

```
##
## Call:
  lm(formula = log_crmrtepk ~ density + prbarr + prbconv + log_polpk,
       data = crimeData)
##
##
## Residuals:
##
        Min
                  1Q
                       Median
                                     3Q
                                             Max
  -1.01362 -0.18692 0.00563 0.22031
##
## Coefficients:
               Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
##
## (Intercept)
                3.92304
                           0.12454
                                    31.499 < 2e-16 ***
                                      3.886 0.000202 ***
## density
                0.10712
                           0.02757
## prbarr
               -1.87916
                           0.28260
                                    -6.650 2.68e-09 ***
               -0.62228
                                    -6.117 2.82e-08 ***
## prbconv
                           0.10173
## log_polpk
                0.41192
                           0.10564
                                      3.899 0.000192 ***
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 0.3245 on 85 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.6661, Adjusted R-squared: 0.6504
## F-statistic: 42.39 on 4 and 85 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
plot(model1)
cov1 <- vcovHC(model1, type = "HC")</pre>
robust.se1 <- sqrt(diag(cov1))</pre>
```



TODO: mix shows weak negative correlation with wage. See detailed correlation matrix for mix vs all wages and see if we can find something.

## Model 2: with key explanatory variables and only covariates

In this model, we'll include the variables (avgsen, mix, pctmin80), as we think they will contribute to the accuracy of your results without introducing substantial bias. TODO: Any more explanation possible why we chose these variables in model2?

 $crimeDeterm = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \cdot density + \beta_2 \cdot prbarr + \beta_3 \cdot prbconv + \beta_4 \cdot log_polpk + \beta_5 \cdot avgsen + \beta_6 \cot mix + \beta_7 \cdot prtmin80$ 

```
##
        Min
                    1Q
                         Median
                                        3Q
                                                Max
   -0.84848 -0.12600
                        0.04642 0.12824
                                            0.47374
##
##
##
   Coefficients:
##
                 Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
                             0.140478
                                        26.887
                                                 < 2e-16
##
   (Intercept)
                 3.777008
## density
                 0.099825
                             0.021550
                                          4.632 1.34e-05
## prbarr
                -1.792313
                             0.240353
                                        -7.457 8.23e-11 ***
   prbconv
##
                -0.728017
                             0.084852
                                        -8.580 4.93e-13 ***
                                          5.788 1.26e-07 ***
## log_polpk
                 0.521299
                             0.090062
## avgsen
                -0.004998
                             0.011027
                                         -0.453
                                                   0.6515
                                         -2.531
## mix
                -1.001898
                             0.395775
                                                   0.0133 *
                                          7.457 8.21e-11 ***
##
  pctmin80
                 0.012360
                             0.001657
##
## Signif. codes:
                    0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 0.2531 on 82 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.804, Adjusted R-squared: 0.7873
## F-statistic: 48.05 on 7 and 82 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
plot(model2)
cov2 <- vcovHC(model2, type = "HC")</pre>
robust.se2 <- sqrt(diag(cov2))</pre>
                                                  Standardized residuals
                  Residuals vs Fitted
                                                                    Normal Q-Q
    Residuals
          0.0
          -1.0
                 2.0
                         3.0
                                  4.0
                                                                -2
                                                                           0
                                                                                1
                                                                                     2
                      Fitted values
                                                               Theoretical Quantiles
   ~ density + prbarr + prbconv + log_polpk ~ density + prbarr + prbconv + log_polpk
    /IStandardized residuals|
                                                  Standardized residuals
                    Scale-Location
                                                               Residuals vs Leverage
                             50C
                                                         2
                                                                                          0.5
                                                         0
                                                                        840
                                                                        Cook's distance
          0.0
                 2.0
                         3.0
                                  4.0
                                                             0.0
                                                                     0.2
                                                                            0.4
                                                                                   0.6
                      Fitted values
                                                                      Leverage
```

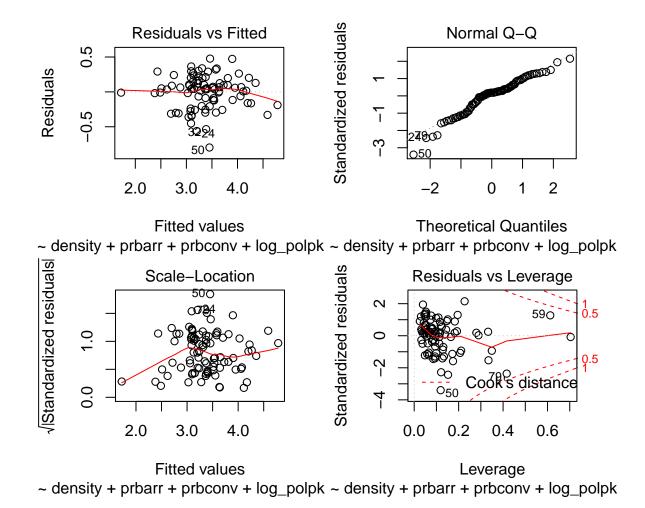
~ density + prbarr + prbconv + log\_polpk ~ density + prbarr + prbconv + log\_polpk

## Model 3: includes the previous covariates, and most, if not all, other covariates

In this model, we'll include all the data available to us to demonstrate the robustness of results to model specification.

 $crimeDeterm = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \cdot density + \beta_2 \cdot prbarr + \beta_3 \cdot prbconv + \beta_4 \cdot pctymle + \beta_5 \cdot avgsen + \beta_6 \cdot mix + \beta_7 \cdot pctmin80 + \beta_8 \cdot prbpris + \beta_9 \cdot log_p + \beta_1 \cdot density + \beta_2 \cdot prbarr + \beta_3 \cdot prbconv + \beta_4 \cdot pctymle + \beta_5 \cdot avgsen + \beta_6 \cdot mix + \beta_7 \cdot pctmin80 + \beta_8 \cdot prbpris + \beta_9 \cdot log_p + \beta_9 \cdot log_p$ 

```
model3 <- lm(log_crmrtepk ~ density + prbarr + prbconv + log_polpk</pre>
            + avgsen + mix + pctmin80
            + pctymle + prbpris + wtotal, data=crimeData)
summary(model3)
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = log_crmrtepk ~ density + prbarr + prbconv + log_polpk +
      avgsen + mix + pctmin80 + pctymle + prbpris + wtotal, data = crimeData)
##
##
## Residuals:
##
                1Q
                     Median
                                 3Q
## -0.79756 -0.15063 0.04218 0.14503 0.47688
## Coefficients:
##
               Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) 3.1638659 0.3310823 9.556 8.01e-15 ***
                                           0.0011 **
## density
              0.0800850 0.0236374 3.388
## prbarr
              -1.7531408   0.2429020   -7.217   2.86e-10 ***
## prbconv
             ## log_polpk
              0.4997279 0.0905507 5.519 4.20e-07 ***
             -0.0078086 0.0110223 -0.708
                                           0.4808
## avgsen
## mix
              -0.7735857 0.4063833 -1.904
                                           0.0606 .
## pctmin80
              ## pctymle
              1.5141320 1.2355666
                                   1.225
                                           0.2240
                                           0.9308
## prbpris
              -0.0294291 0.3380535 -0.087
## wtotal
              0.0005502 0.0002640
                                    2.084
                                           0.0404 *
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 0.2501 on 79 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.8156, Adjusted R-squared: 0.7922
## F-statistic: 34.93 on 10 and 79 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
plot(model3)
cov3 <- vcovHC(model3, type = "HC")</pre>
robust.se3 <- sqrt(diag(cov3))</pre>
```



## All 3 Regression models at a glance

	Dependent variable:  Log of Crime Rate per 1000 People		
	(1)	(2)	(3)
prbarr	$-1.879^{***} (0.297)$	$-1.792^{***} (0.162)$	$-1.753^{***}$ (0.171)
prbconv	$-0.622^{***}$ (0.096)	$-0.728^{***} (0.099)$	$-0.695^{***}(0.099)$
density	$0.107^{***} (0.024)$	$0.100^{***} (0.021)$	0.080*** (0.022)
log_polpk	$0.412^{***}(0.108)$	$0.521^{***}(0.099)$	0.500***(0.102)
avgsen	` '	$-0.005\ (0.012)$	-0.008(0.011)
mix		-1.002**(0.420)	-0.774*(0.399)
pctmin80		$0.012^{***} (0.001)$	$0.013^{***}(0.001)$
pctymle		` ,	$1.514\ (1.073)$
prbpris			-0.029(0.374)
wtotal			$0.001^* \ (0.0003)$
Constant	$3.923^{***} (0.133)$	$3.777^{***} (0.172)$	$3.164^{***}(0.415)$
Observations	90	90	90
$\mathbb{R}^2$	0.666	0.804	0.816
Adjusted R <sup>2</sup>	0.650	0.787	0.792
Residual Std. Error	0.324 (df = 85)	0.253  (df = 82)	0.250 (df = 79)
F Statistic	$42.391^{***} (df = 4; 85)$	$48.051^{***} (df = 7; 82)$	$34.933^{***} (df = 10; 79)$

Note:

\*p<0.1; \*\*p<0.05; \*\*\*p<0.01

TODO: change stargazer type to latex

Note that density coefficient drastically changes in model 3 because variables like wtotal and log\_polpk distribute are synonymous to increase in density and they absorb some of the causality of density.

TODO: Talk about Q-Q plot and fitment and slight distortion due to outliers.

#### **Omitted Variables**

We believe that following omitted variables may contribute towards crime rate regression results.

- 1. Literacy: Higher the literacy, crime rate should go down. In general terms as literacy increases, it is easier for people to find jobs, which deters them from conducting crimes.
- 2. Poverty: If per capita income is not distributed equally then there is high chance of crimes in that area. Tax per capita tries to proxy this variable but it does not capture the high to low distribution of income. If per capita income has huge variance from mean then crime rate should go up. Different wages provided in the data may act as proxy as they cover most of the wage range except may be farming and other self-employed people.
- 3. Corruption: Higher the corruption, more the crime rate in the area. More corruption generally disrupts employment and effectively pushes people into criminal activity.
- 4. Historic criminal rate of the area: If previous generation had high criminal rate in a particular area then new generation would grow in that area and continue following same foot steps. So we should also measure this continuity effect. It is much easier for new people to turn to criminals where there are already plenty of established criminals than areas where crime is low.

% population below poverty line

## Conclusion

Our Regression Model (Model 1) indicates that as population density increases and the young male percentage increases, the crime rate grows. So policymakers need to pay attention to more urbanized or highly dense regions with a high male ratio. Also, steps should be taken to improve gender by diversifying the community, for instance bringing more women and men of different age groups, which potentially can bring down crime rate.

More important aspect is the effect of strong arrest and conviction ratio on the crime rate. Having strong and capable police has a noticeable deterrent effect on crime rate. Therefore, policymakers should concentrate on strengthening the police and judiciary system and deter people from committing crimes by setting strong examples of arrests and convictions.

TODO: Also talk about small conclusions drawn from EDA which did not reach to regression model (outliers etc)