

# POL212 TA Session

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## Find Dataset

Think about your interests. Following are few examples of potential data sources:

### General

- ICPSR: You may need to create the account with UC Davis E-mail Address to download data.
- Link List of Public Data

### Comparative

- Correlates of War
- Polity IV
- Varieties of Democracy
- Quality of Government
- World Bank
- IMF
- World Value Survey
- Comparative Study of Electoral Systems
- Manifesto Project

### American

- American National Election Study (ANES)
- Cooperative Congressional Election Study (CCES)
- General Social Survey
- Correlates of State Policy
- Legislative Effectiveness

## Preparing R Environment

```
## Clear Workspace
rm(list = ls())

## Set Working Directory to the File location
## (If using RStudio, can be set automatically)
setwd(dirname(rstudioapi::getActiveDocumentContext())$path)
getwd()

## [1] "C:/GoogleDrive/Lectures/2019_01to03_UCD/POL212_TA/POL212_TA_resource"

## Load Relevant Packages (Install if not Installed)
#install.packages("foreign")
# Data Importing
library(foreign) # Stata 12 or Later
library(readstata13) # For Stata 13 Data or Later
library(haven)
```

```
library(readr)
# Data Visualization
library(car)
library(lattice)
library(ggplot2)
```

## Practice Loading Data

```
## Online Location Quality of Government Data
# CSV
```

```
csvloc <- "http://www.qogdata.pol.gu.se/data/qog_bas_cs_jan18.csv"
# STATA
```

```
dtaloc <- "http://www.qogdata.pol.gu.se/data/qog_bas_cs_jan18.dta"
# SPSS
```

```
savloc <- "http://www.qogdata.pol.gu.se/data/qog_bas_cs_jan18.sav"
```

```
## Basic Import Commands
# CSV (don't require any package)
d1 <- read.csv(csvloc, stringsAsFactors = FALSE)
# Stata 12 or Before (foreign package)
d2a <- read.dta(dtaloc, convert.factors = FALSE)
# Stata 13 or Later (readstata13 package)
d2b <- read.dta13(dtaloc, convert.factors = FALSE)
# SPSS (may not work with some new format)
d3 <- read.spss(savloc, use.value.labels = FALSE, to.data.frame = TRUE)
```

```
## More Advanced Import Commands
# CSV (readr package)
d4 <- read_csv(csvloc)
```

```
## Parsed with column specification:
## cols(
##   .default = col_double(),
##   ccode = col_integer(),
##   cname = col_character(),
##   ccodealp = col_character(),
##   ccodecow = col_integer(),
##   ccodewb = col_integer(),
##   version = col_character(),
##   bti_aar = col_integer(),
##   bti_acp = col_integer(),
##   bti_aod = col_integer(),
##   bti_cdi = col_integer(),
##   bti_ci = col_integer(),
##   bti_cr = col_integer(),
##   bti_eo = col_integer(),
##   bti_eos = col_integer(),
##   bti_ep = col_integer(),
##   bti_ffc = col_integer(),
##   bti_foe = col_integer(),
##   bti_ij = col_integer(),
```

```
## bti_muf = col_integer(),
## bti_pdi = col_integer()
## # ... with 98 more columns
## )

## See spec(...) for full column specifications.

# Stata (haven package)
d5 <- read_stata(dtaloc)
#d5 <- read_dta(dtaloc)
# SPSS (haven package)
d6 <- read_spss(savloc)
#d6 <- read_sav(savloc)

## Check Format Differences
# CSV (base vs readr)
head(d1[,seq(1,5,1)])

##      ccode      cname ccodealp ccodecow ccodewb
## 1      4      Afghanistan      AFG      700      4
## 2      8      Albania      ALB      339      8
## 3     12      Algeria      DZA      615     12
## 4     20      Andorra      AND      232     20
## 5     24      Angola      AGO      540     24
## 6     28  Antigua and Barbuda      ATG      58     28

class(d1)

## [1] "data.frame"

head(d4[,seq(1,5,1)])

## # A tibble: 6 x 5
##   ccode cname      ccodealp ccodecow ccodewb
##   <int> <chr>      <chr>      <int>  <int>
## 1      4 Afghanistan      AFG      700      4
## 2      8 Albania      ALB      339      8
## 3     12 Algeria      DZA      615     12
## 4     20 Andorra      AND      232     20
## 5     24 Angola      AGO      540     24
## 6     28 Antigua and Barbuda ATG      58     28

class(d4)

## [1] "tbl_df"      "tbl"        "data.frame"

# Stata (foreign)
head(d2b[,seq(1,5,1)])

##      ccode      cname ccodealp ccodecow ccodewb
## 1      4      Afghanistan      AFG      700      4
## 2      8      Albania      ALB      339      8
## 3     12      Algeria      DZA      615     12
## 4     20      Andorra      AND      232     20
## 5     24      Angola      AGO      540     24
## 6     28  Antigua and Barbuda      ATG      58     28

attr(d2b,"var.labels")[1:5]
```

```
## [1] "Country Code"          "Country Name"
## [3] "3-letter Country Code"  "Country Code COW"
## [5] "Country Code World Bank"
```

```
attr(,"d2b","val.labels")[1:5]
```

```
##
## "" "" "" "" ""
```

```
# Stata (haven)
head(d5[,seq(1,5,1)])
```

```
## # A tibble: 6 x 5
##   ccode cname          ccodealp ccodecow ccodewb
##   <dbl> <chr>          <chr>      <dbl>   <dbl>
## 1     4 Afghanistan    AFG         700     4
## 2     8 Albania        ALB         339     8
## 3    12 Algeria        DZA         615    12
## 4    20 Andorra        AND         232    20
## 5    24 Angola          AGO         540    24
## 6    28 Antigua and Barbuda ATG         58     28
```

```
lapply(d5, function(x) attr(x,"label"))[1:5]
```

```
## $ccode
## [1] "Country Code"
##
## $cname
## [1] "Country Name"
##
## $ccodealp
## [1] "3-letter Country Code"
##
## $ccodecow
## [1] "Country Code COW"
##
## $ccodewb
## [1] "Country Code World Bank"
```

```
# SPSS (foreign)
head(d3[,seq(1,5,1)])
```

```
##   ccode          cname ccodealp ccodecow ccodewb
## 1     4 Afghanistan    AFG         700     4
## 2     8 Albania        ALB         339     8
## 3    12 Algeria        DZA         615    12
## 4    20 Andorra        AND         232    20
## 5    24 Angola          AGO         540    24
## 6    28 Antigua and Barbuda ATG         58     28
```

```
attr(,"d3","var.labels")[1:5]
```

```
## NULL
```

```
attr(,"d3","val.labels")[1:5]
```

```
## NULL
```

```
# SPSS (haven)
head(d6[,seq(1,5,1)])
```

```
## # A tibble: 6 x 5
##   ccode cname          ccodealp ccodecow ccodewb
##   <dbl> <chr>          <chr>      <dbl>  <dbl>
## 1     4 Afghanistan    AFG         700     4
## 2     8 Albania        ALB         339     8
## 3    12 Algeria        DZA         615    12
## 4    20 Andorra        AND         232    20
## 5    24 Angola         AGO         540    24
## 6    28 Antigua and Barbuda ATG          58    28
```

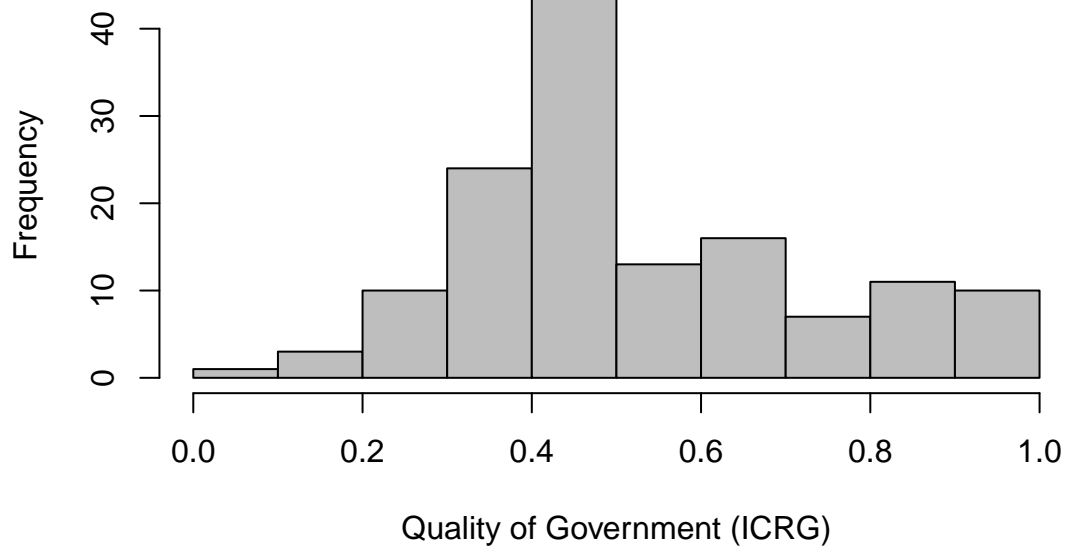
```
lapply(d6, function(x) attr(x,"label"))[1:5]
```

```
## $ccode
## [1] "Country Code"
##
## $cname
## [1] "Country Name"
##
## $ccodealp
## [1] "3-letter Country Code"
##
## $ccodecow
## [1] "Country Code COW"
##
## $ccodewb
## [1] "Country Code World Bank"
```

## Histogram

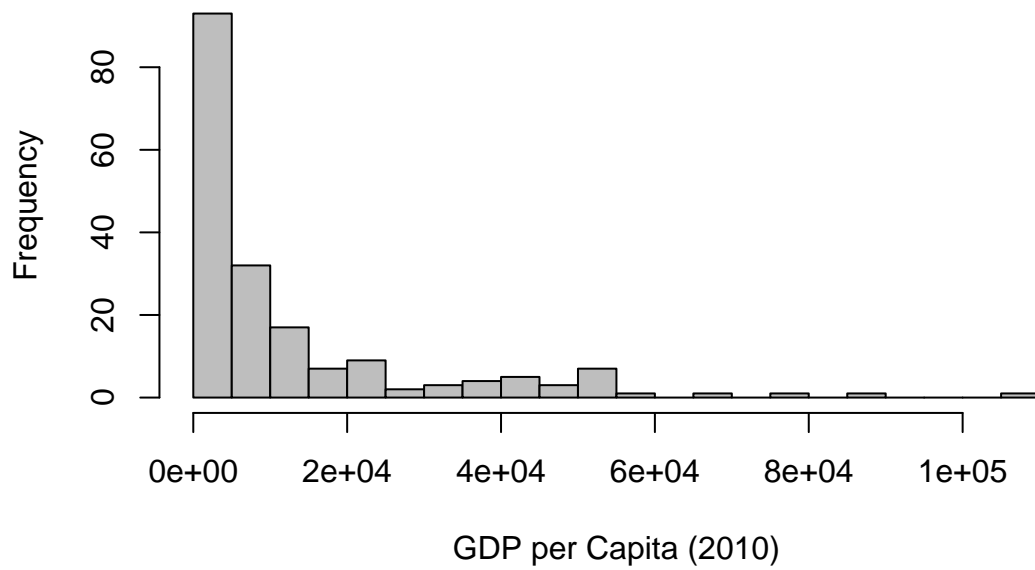
```
with(d1, hist(icrg_qog, breaks=10, col="gray",
              xlab="Quality of Government (ICRG)"))
```

**Histogram of icrg\_qog**



```
with(d1, hist(wdi_gdpcapcon2010, breaks="FD", col="gray",  
              xlab="GDP per Capita (2010)"))
```

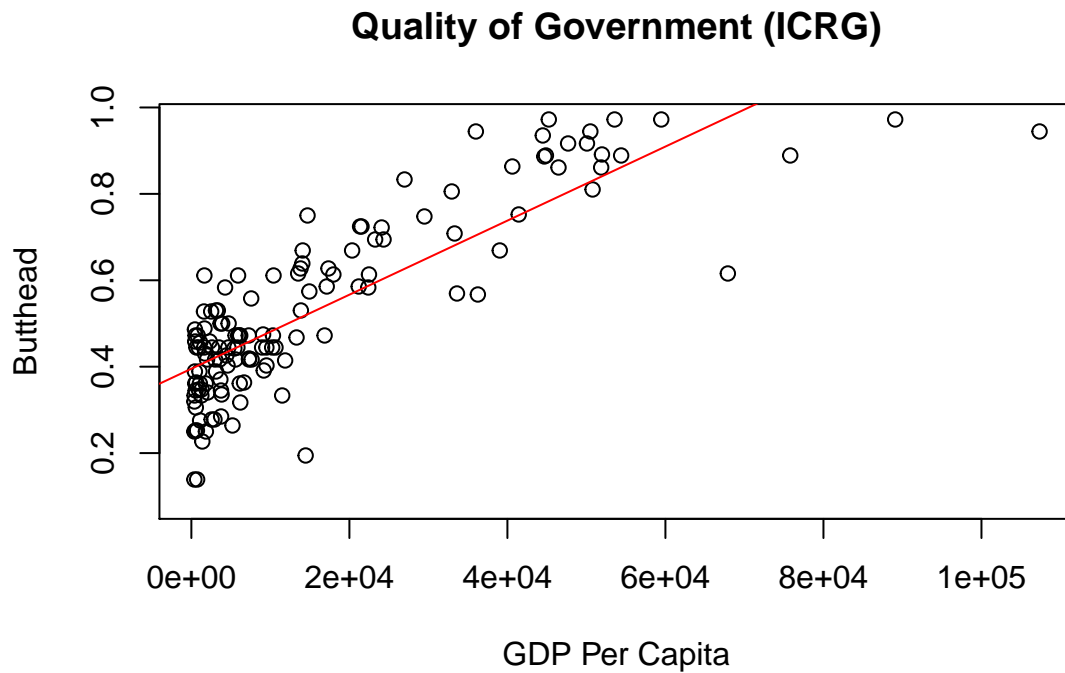
**Histogram of wdi\_gdpcapcon2010**



## Scatter Plot

```
# Basic Plot
```

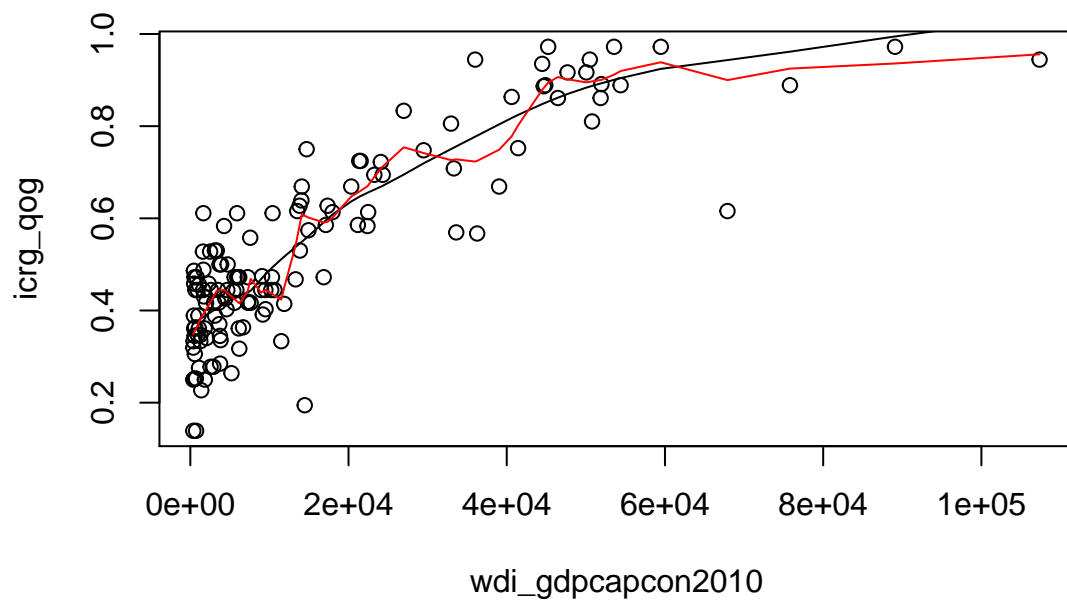
```
X <- d1$wdi_gdpcapcon2010  
Y <- d1$icrg_qog  
plot(X,Y, main="Quality of Government (ICRG)", xlab="GDP Per Capita", ylab="Butthead")  
abline(lm(Y ~ X), col="red1")
```



```
# LOWESS scatter plot smoothing
```

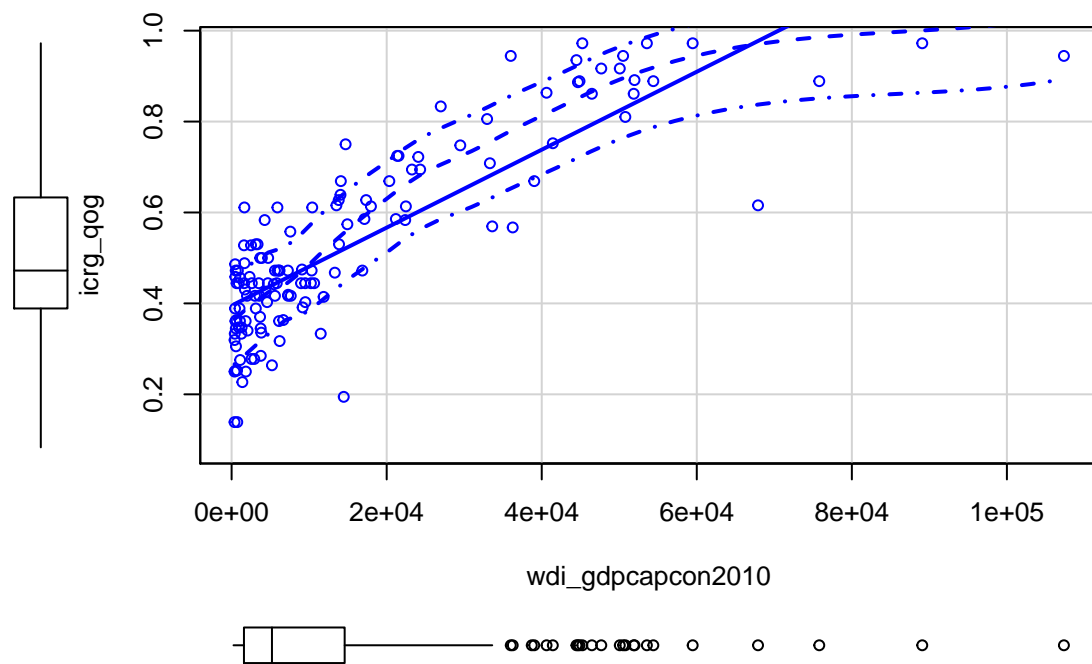
```
d1x <- na.omit(d1[,c("wdi_gdpcapcon2010","icrg_qog")]) # Eliminate NAs
```

```
with(d1x, plot(wdi_gdpcapcon2010, icrg_qog))  
with(d1x, lines(lowess(wdi_gdpcapcon2010, icrg_qog)))  
with(d1x, lines(lowess(wdi_gdpcapcon2010, icrg_qog, f=1/10), col="red1"))
```



```
# Using car
```

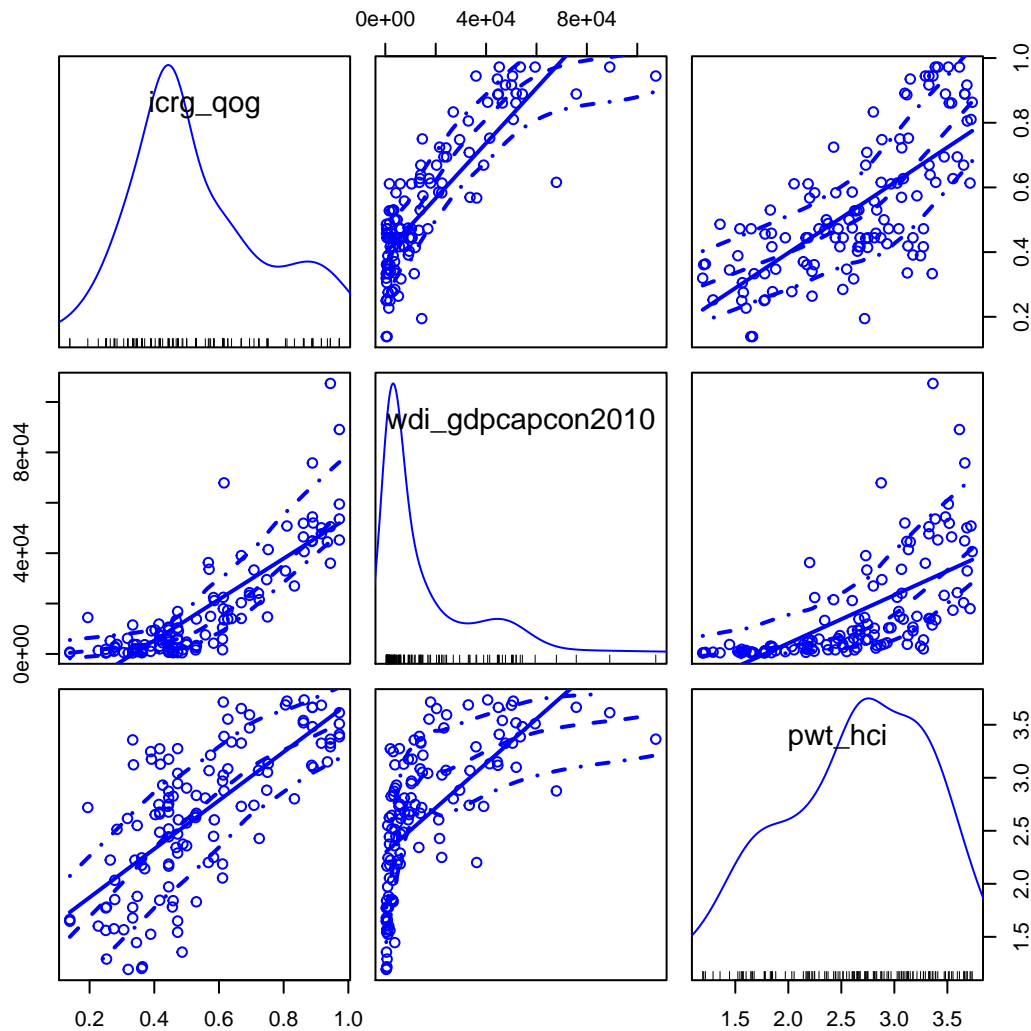
```
scatterplot(icrg_qog ~ wdi_gdpcapcon2010, data=d1,
            smooth=list(span=0.6, lwd=3, lwd.var=2))
```





```
# Scatter Plot Matrix by QoG, GDP per capita, and Human Capital Index
```

```
scatterplotMatrix(~ icrg_qog + wdi_gdpcapcon2010 + pwt_hci, data=d1)
```



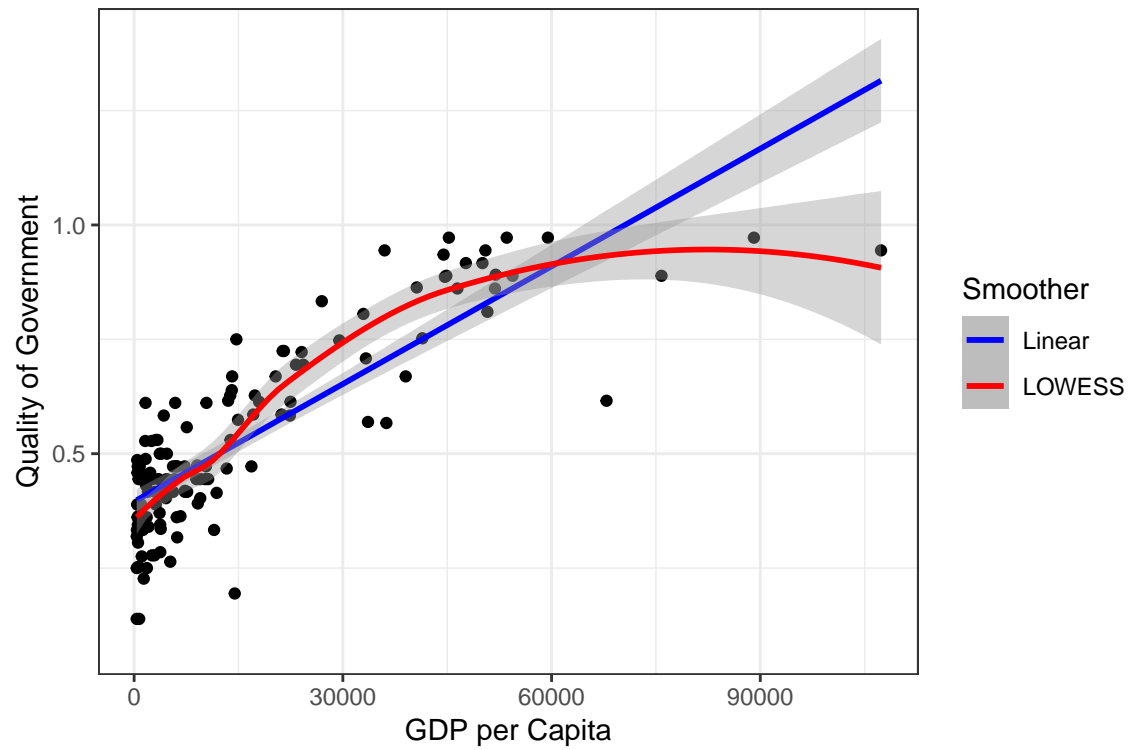
```
# Using ggplot2
```

```
ggplot(d1, aes(x=wdi_gdpcapcon2010, y=icrg_qog)) + geom_point() +  
  xlab("GDP per Capita") + ylab("Quality of Government") +  
  geom_smooth(method="lm", aes(color="Linear")) +  
  geom_smooth(method="loess", aes(color="LOWESS")) +  
  scale_color_manual(name="Smoother", values=c("blue", "red")) +  
  theme_bw()
```

```
## Warning: Removed 59 rows containing non-finite values (stat_smooth).
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```
## Warning: Removed 59 rows containing non-finite values (stat_smooth).
```

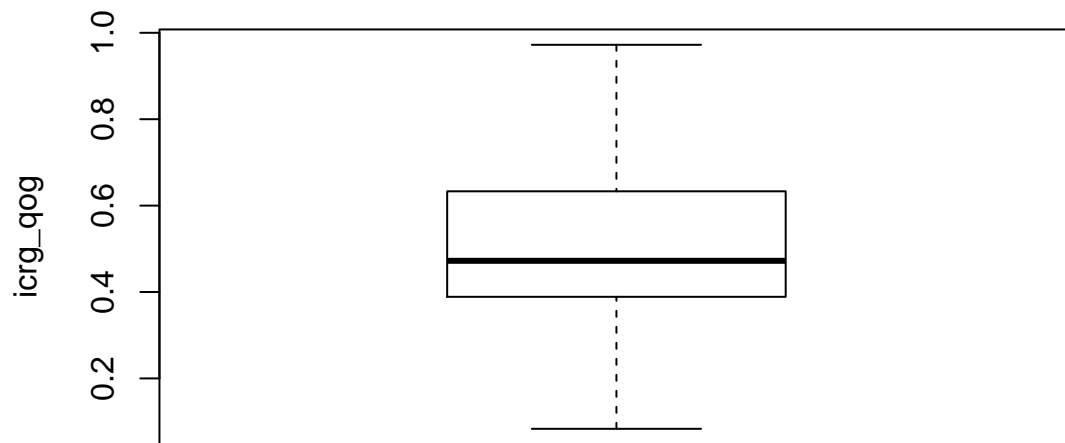
```
## Warning: Removed 59 rows containing missing values (geom_point).
```



## Boxplot

```
# Single Boxplot
```

```
Boxplot(~icrg_qog, data=d1)
```



```
# By Electoral System
table(d1$iaep_es)
```

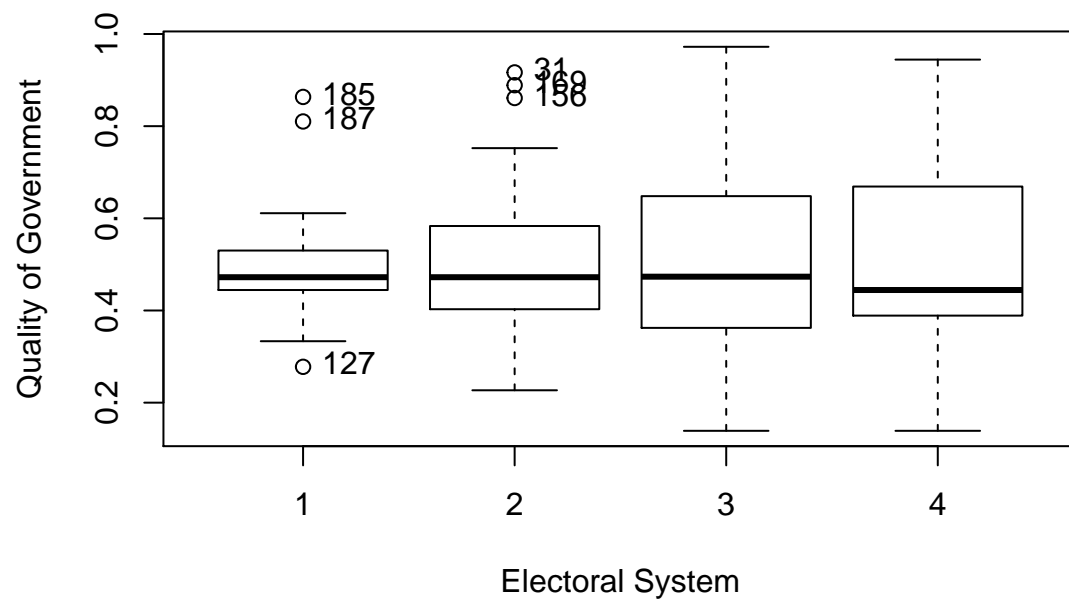
```
##
##  1  2  3  4
## 18 34 57 43
```

```
table(d1$iaep_es)/sum(table(d1$iaep_es))
```

```
##
##      1      2      3      4
## 0.1184211 0.2236842 0.3750000 0.2828947
```

```
# 1 = Plurality
# 2 = Majority
# 3 = Proportional Representation
# 4 = Mixed
```

```
Boxplot(icrg_qog~iaep_es, data=d1,
        xlab="Electoral System",
        ylab="Quality of Government")
```

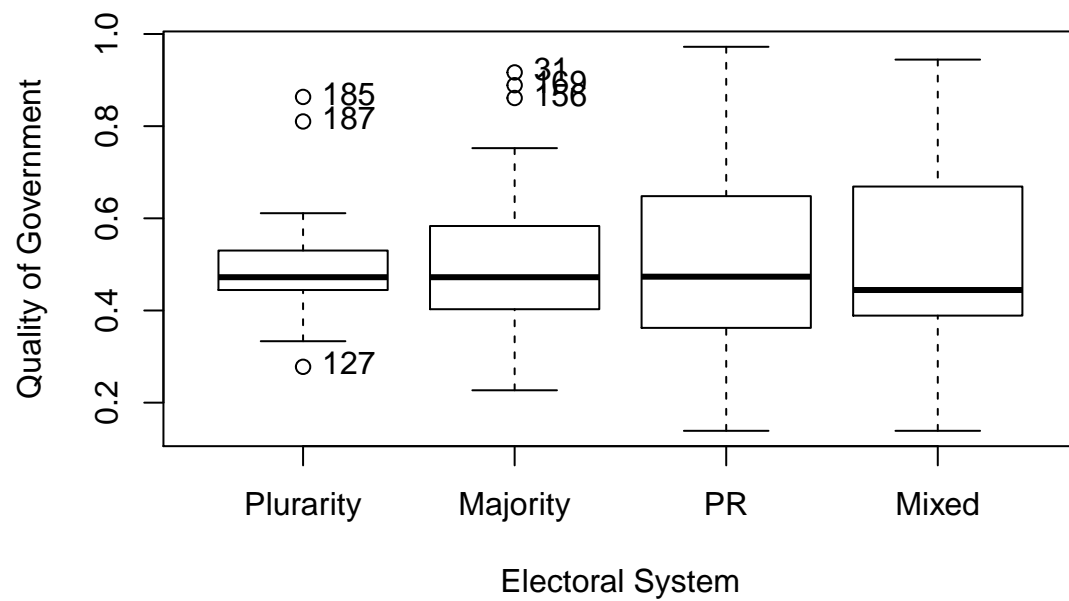


```
## [1] "127" "185" "187" "31" "156" "169"
```

```
# Transform Value Labels
```

```
d1$eslab <- factor(d1$iaep_es,
  levels = seq(1,4,1),
  labels = c("Plurarity", "Majority", "PR", "Mixed"))
```

```
Boxplot(icrg_qog~eslab, data=d1,
  xlab="Electoral System",
  ylab="Quality of Government")
```

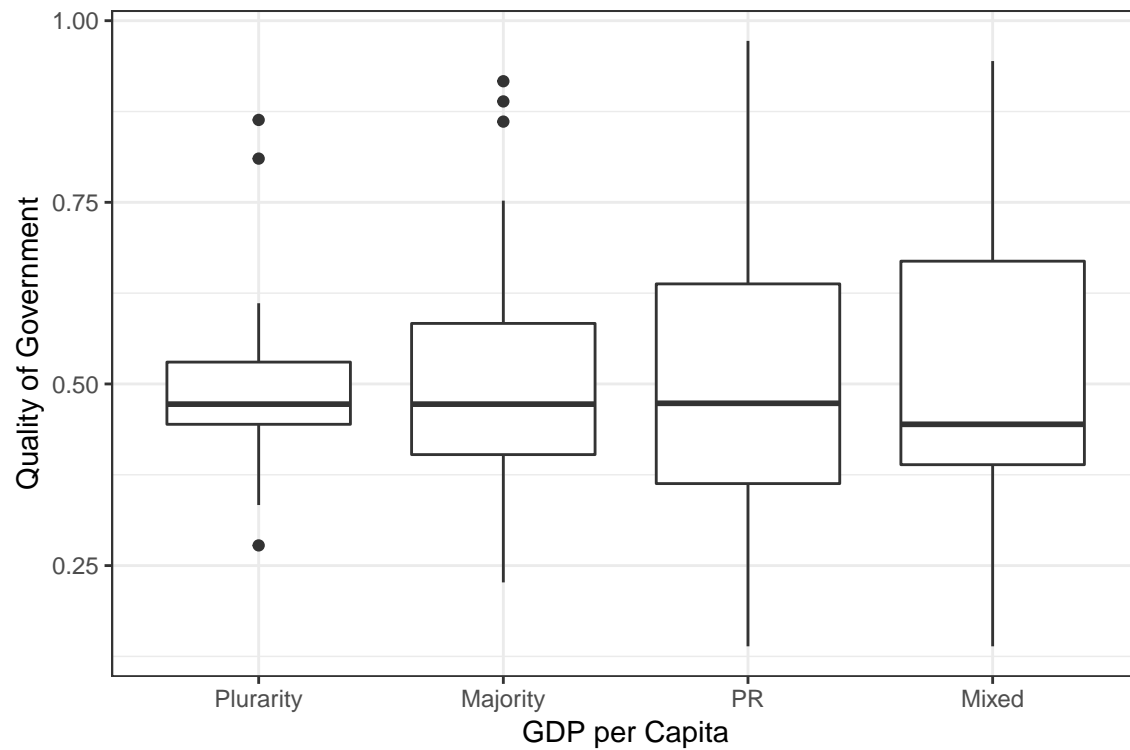


```
## [1] "127" "185" "187" "31" "156" "169"
```

```
# ggplot2
```

```
d1y <- na.omit(d1[,c("icrg_qog", "eslab")])
```

```
ggplot(d1y, aes(x=eslab, y=icrg_qog)) + geom_boxplot() +  
  xlab("GDP per Capita") + ylab("Quality of Government") +  
  theme_bw()
```



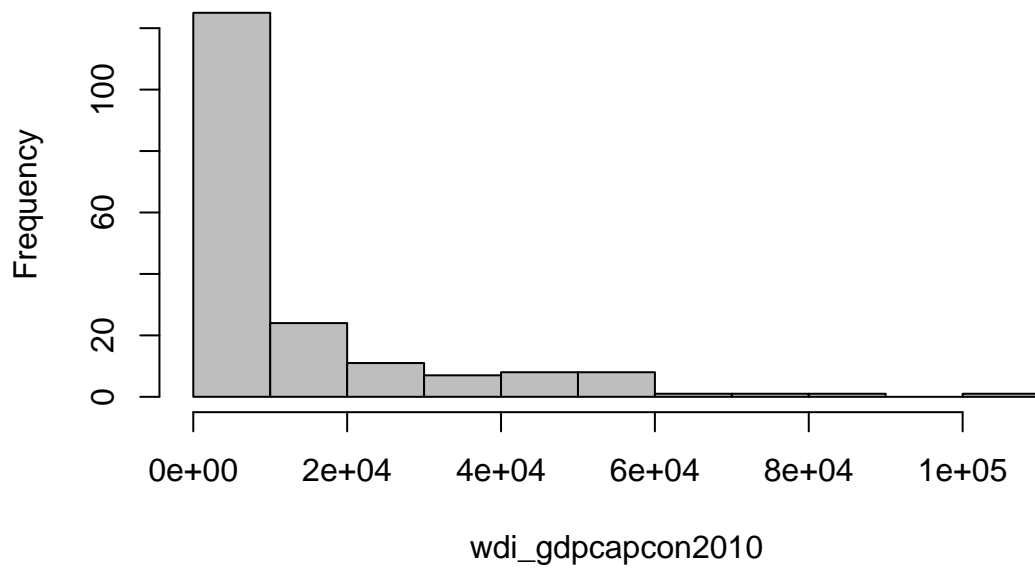
## Transformation

```
# Logarithm Transformation  
d1$loggdp <- log(d1$wdi_gdpcapcon2010)
```

```
# Compare Histograms
```

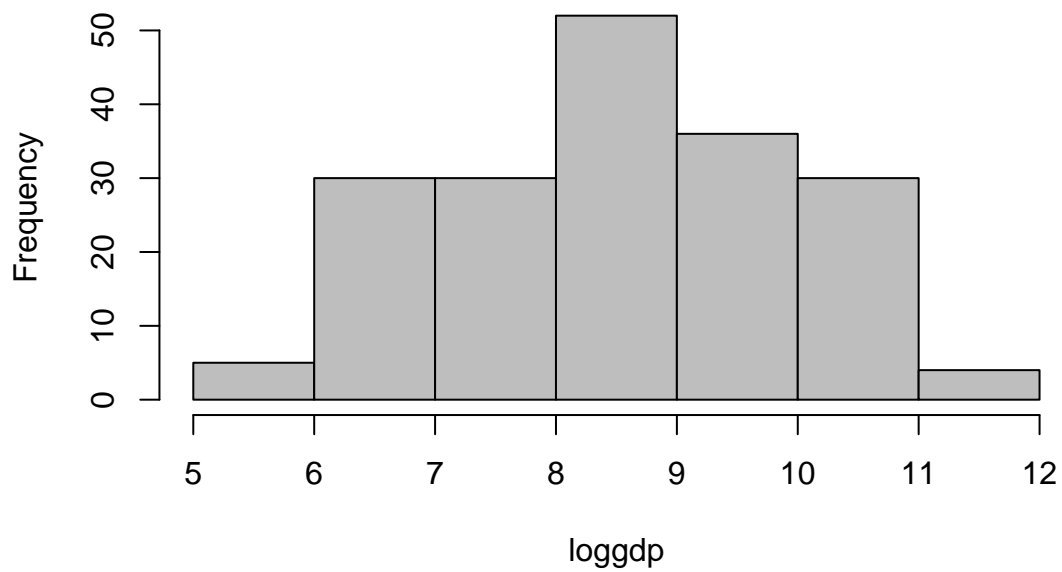
```
with(d1, hist(wdi_gdpcapcon2010, breaks=10, col="gray"))
```

**Histogram of wdi\_gdpcapcon2010**



```
with(d1, hist(loggdp, breaks="FD",col="gray"))
```

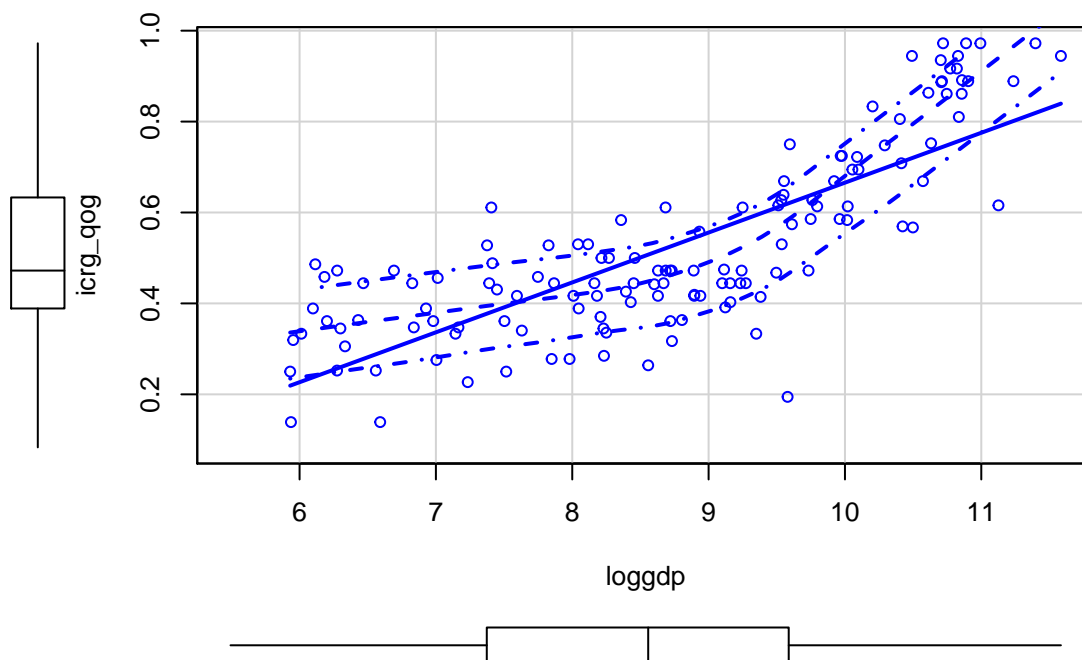
**Histogram of loggdp**



```
# Scatter Plot
```

```
scatterplot(icrg_qog ~ loggdp, span=0.6,
           lwd=3, id.n=4, data=d1)
```

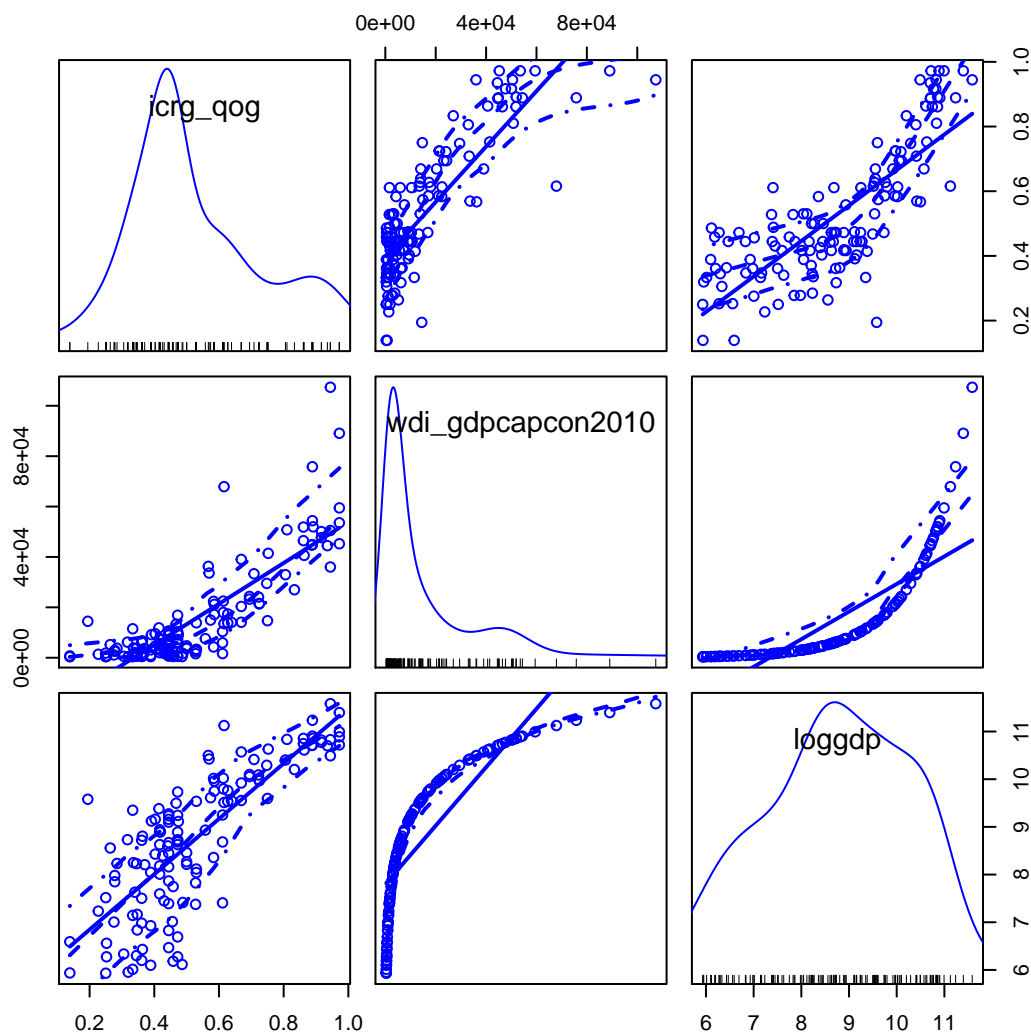
```
## Warning in plot.window(...): "span" is not a graphical parameter
## Warning in plot.window(...): "id.n" is not a graphical parameter
## Warning in plot.xy(xy, type, ...): "span" is not a graphical parameter
## Warning in plot.xy(xy, type, ...): "id.n" is not a graphical parameter
## Warning in axis(side = side, at = at, labels = labels, ...): "span" is not
## a graphical parameter
## Warning in axis(side = side, at = at, labels = labels, ...): "id.n" is not
## a graphical parameter
## Warning in axis(side = side, at = at, labels = labels, ...): "span" is not
## a graphical parameter
## Warning in axis(side = side, at = at, labels = labels, ...): "id.n" is not
## a graphical parameter
## Warning in box(...): "span" is not a graphical parameter
## Warning in box(...): "id.n" is not a graphical parameter
## Warning in title(...): "span" is not a graphical parameter
## Warning in title(...): "id.n" is not a graphical parameter
```



*# Scatter Plot Matrix by QoG, GDP per capita, and Logged GDP per Capita*

```
scatterplotMatrix(~ icrg_qog + wdi_gdpcapcon2010 + loggdp, data=d1)
```





```
# ggplot2
```

```
ggplot(d1, aes(x=loggdp, y=icrg_qog)) + geom_point() +
  xlab("GDP per Capita") + ylab("Quality of Government") +
  geom_smooth(method="lm", aes(color="Linear")) +
  geom_smooth(method="loess", aes(color="LOWESS")) +
  scale_color_manual(name="Smoother", values=c("blue", "red")) +
  theme_bw()
```

```
## Warning: Removed 59 rows containing non-finite values (stat_smooth).
```

```
## Warning: Removed 59 rows containing non-finite values (stat_smooth).
```

```
## Warning: Removed 59 rows containing missing values (geom_point).
```

