



DASHBOARDING + POWER BI

DATA STEWARDS TRAINING #4 (WOOT!)

November 17, 2017

MY GOALS FOR THE TRAINING

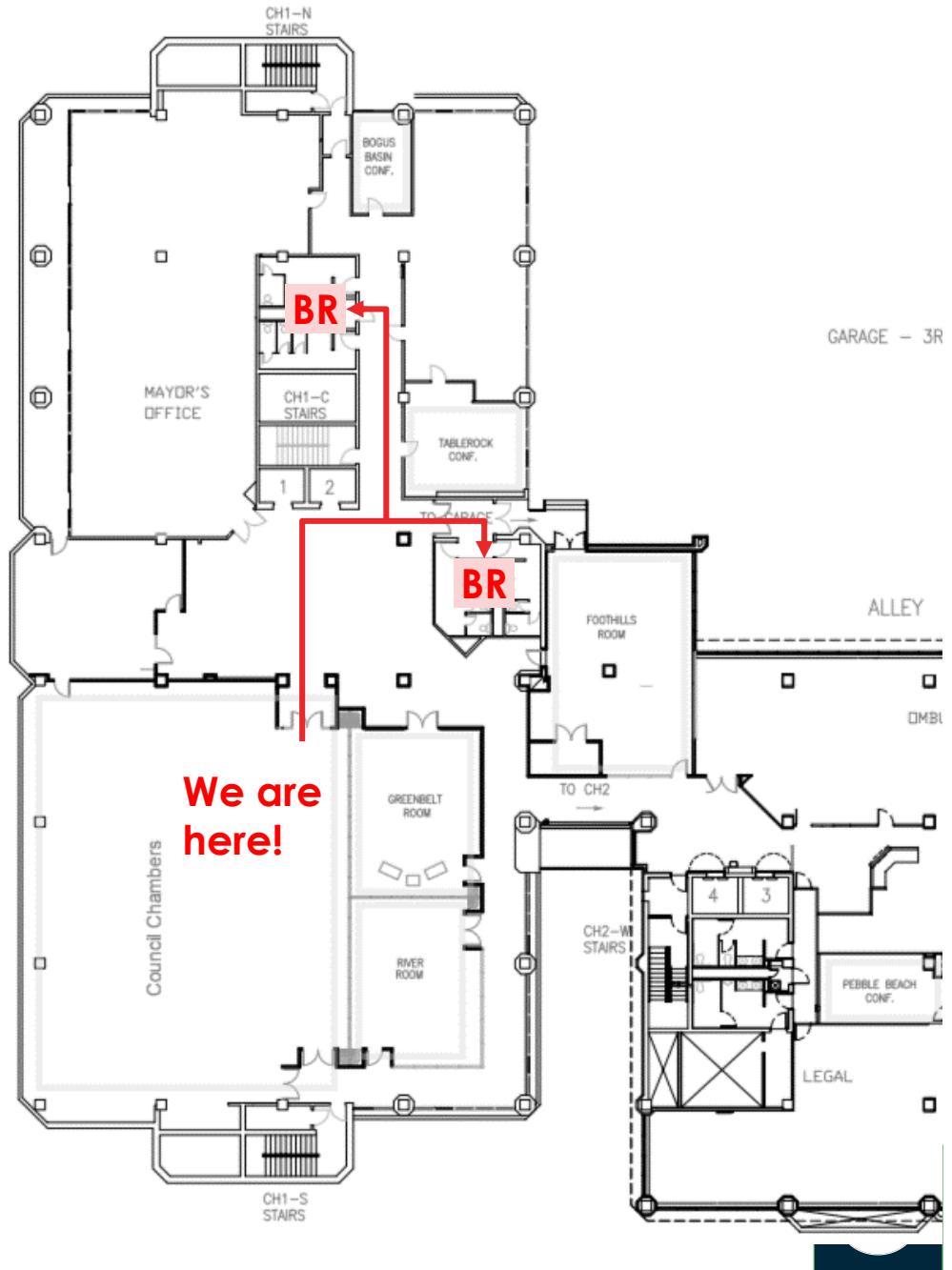
- Understand what a dashboard is and how to use it
- Introduction to Power BI
- Have fun!
- Note: Practice makes better ☺

PLAN FOR THE DAY

- Context Setting
 - What is a dashboard?
 - Dashboard types and features
- Dashboarding Principles and Tips
- Power BI

HOUSEKEEPING

- Feel free to stand and/or grab a snack
- Feel free to ask questions at any time (but I might not answer)
- Breaks are good!
- So are activities!
- Bathroom locations



CONTEXT SETTING

WHAT IS A DASHBOARD? | TYPES AND FEATURES





Activity time!

What is a
dashboard?

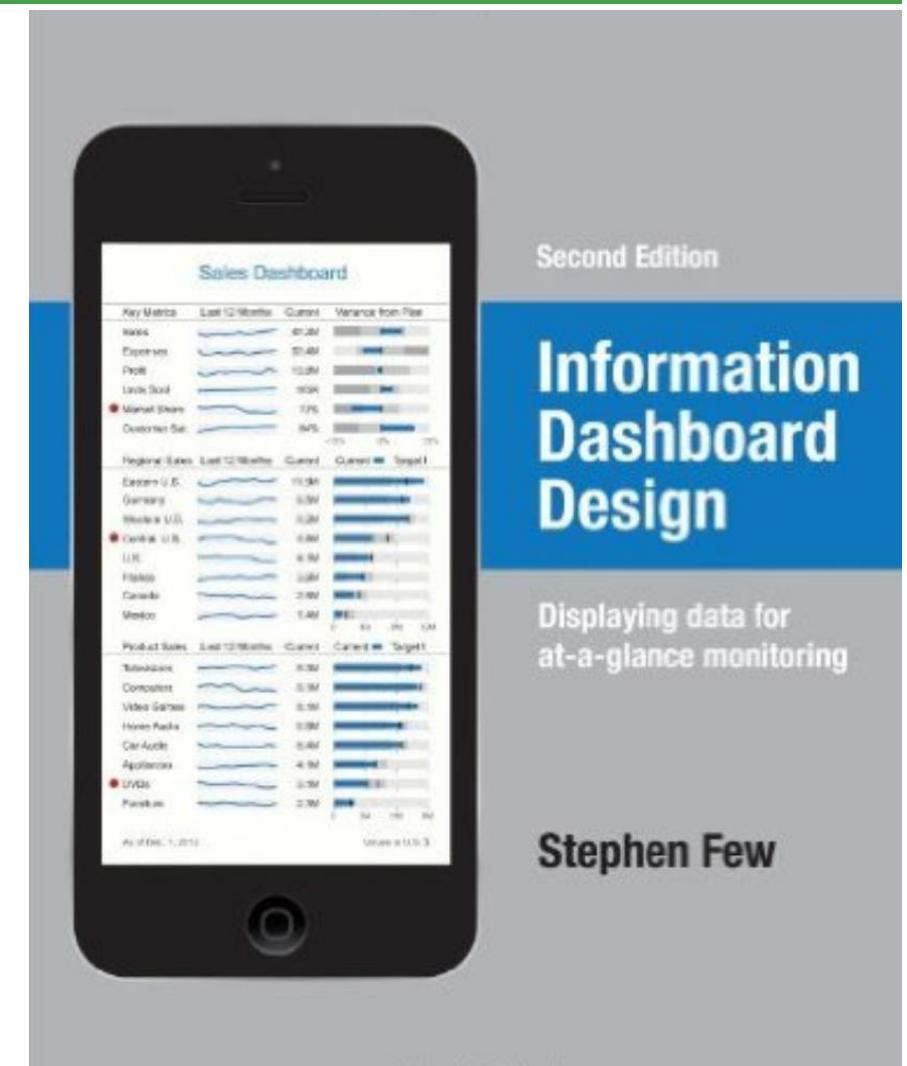
WHAT IS A DASHBOARD?



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“A visual display
of the most important information needed
to achieve one or more objectives
...consolidated on a single computer screen
so it can be monitored at a glance.”

--Stephen Few



WHAT IS A DASHBOARD?



Good dashboards
provide the **right** information
to the **right** person (or people)
at the **right** time
in a **digestible** format.

--Me

ANATOMY OF A DASHBOARD

Dashboard
Title

Viz Titles

Not shown here:
• DB description

THE HOUSING MARKET ROLLERCOASTER

THE BIG PICTURE

MEDIAN HOUSE VALUE EVOLUTION

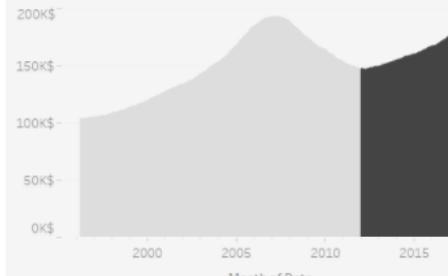
2001-2005: THE BUBBLE



2006-2011: THE CRISIS



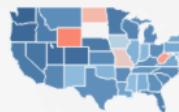
2012-NOW: THE RECOVERY



+ tableau

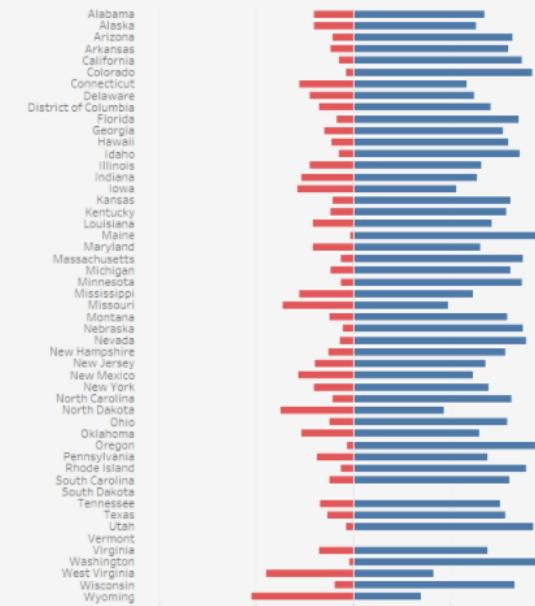
STATE BY STATE TIMELINE - August 2017

◀ August 2017 ▶



% House Increasing in value
0% 100%

% HOUSE INCREASING OR DECREASING IN VALUE



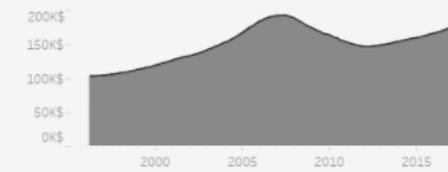
Zillow Home Value Index data provided by Zillow. The results and opinions are those of the author(s) and not reflect the position of Zillow Group.

WHAT ABOUT YOU?

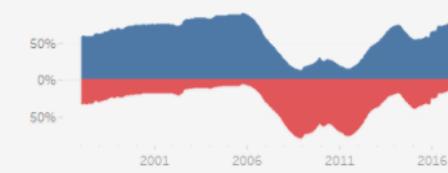
Click on a bar to see the house to sell

State: (All) City, State: (All)

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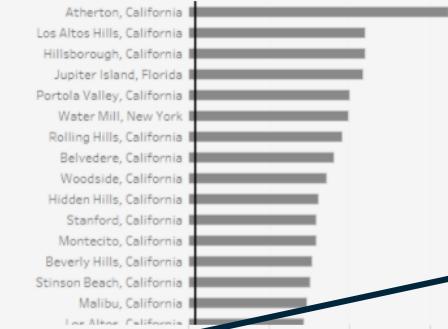


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CURRENT MEDIAN HOUSE VALUE PER CITY

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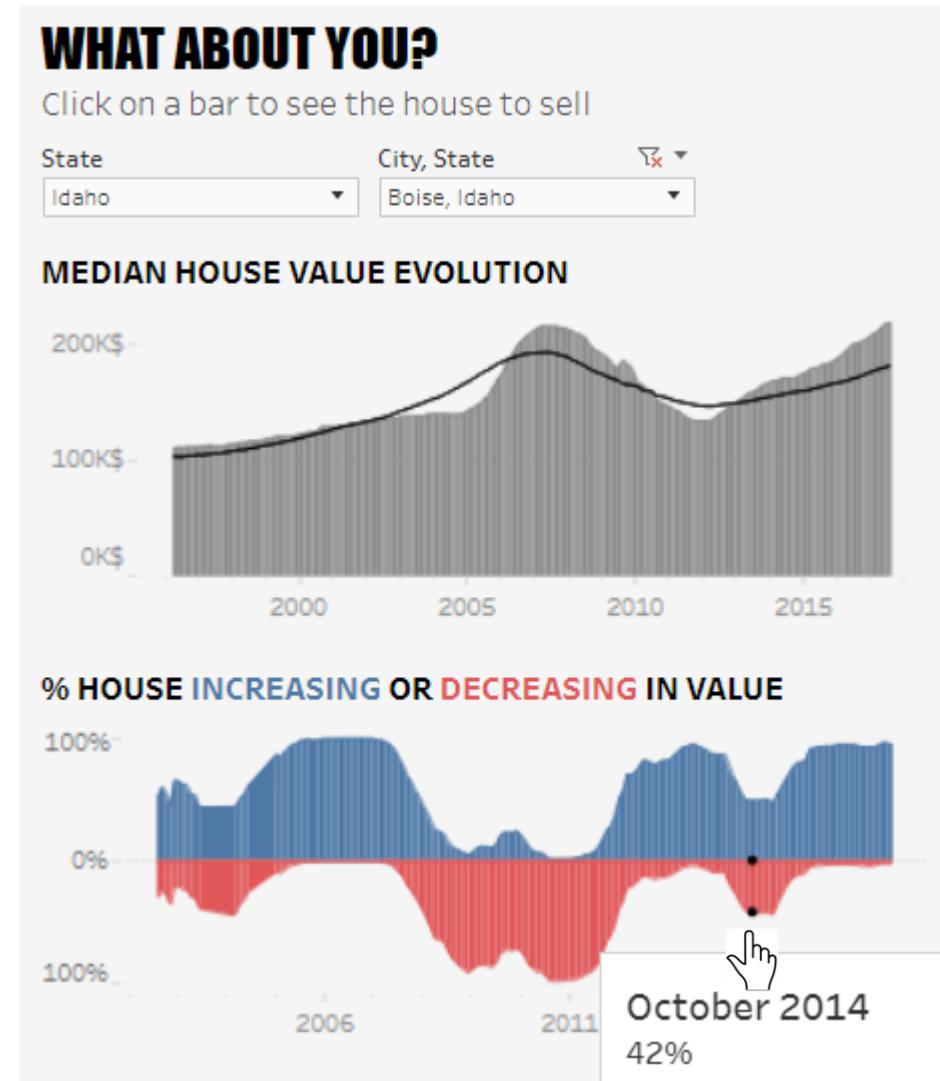
Instructions

Filters/Slicers

Source

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- Interactive and dynamic



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- Automated

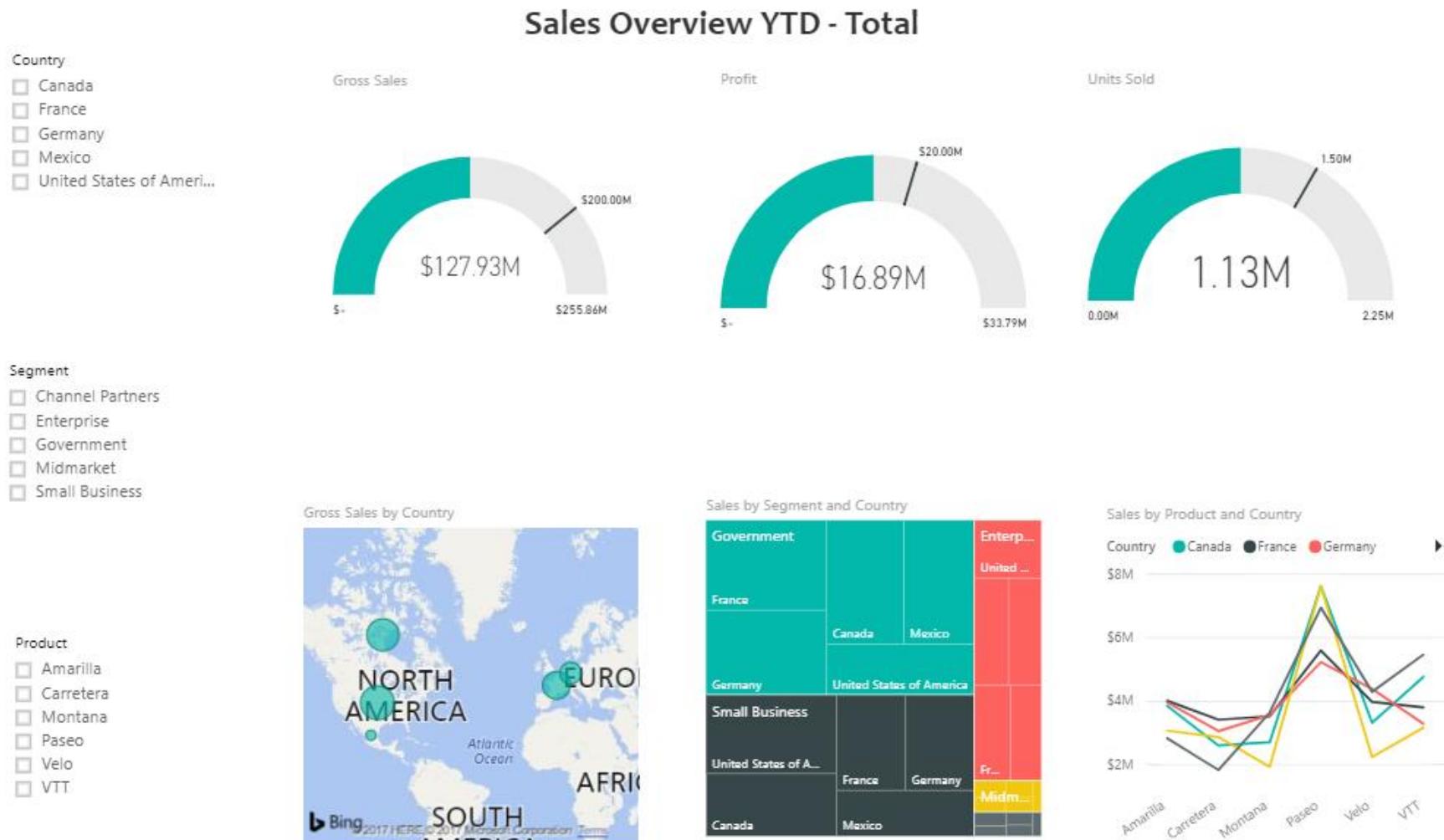


SOME CHARACTERISTICS

- Interactive and dynamic
- Automated
- Multiple data vizzes...usually



DASHBOARD OR NOT?

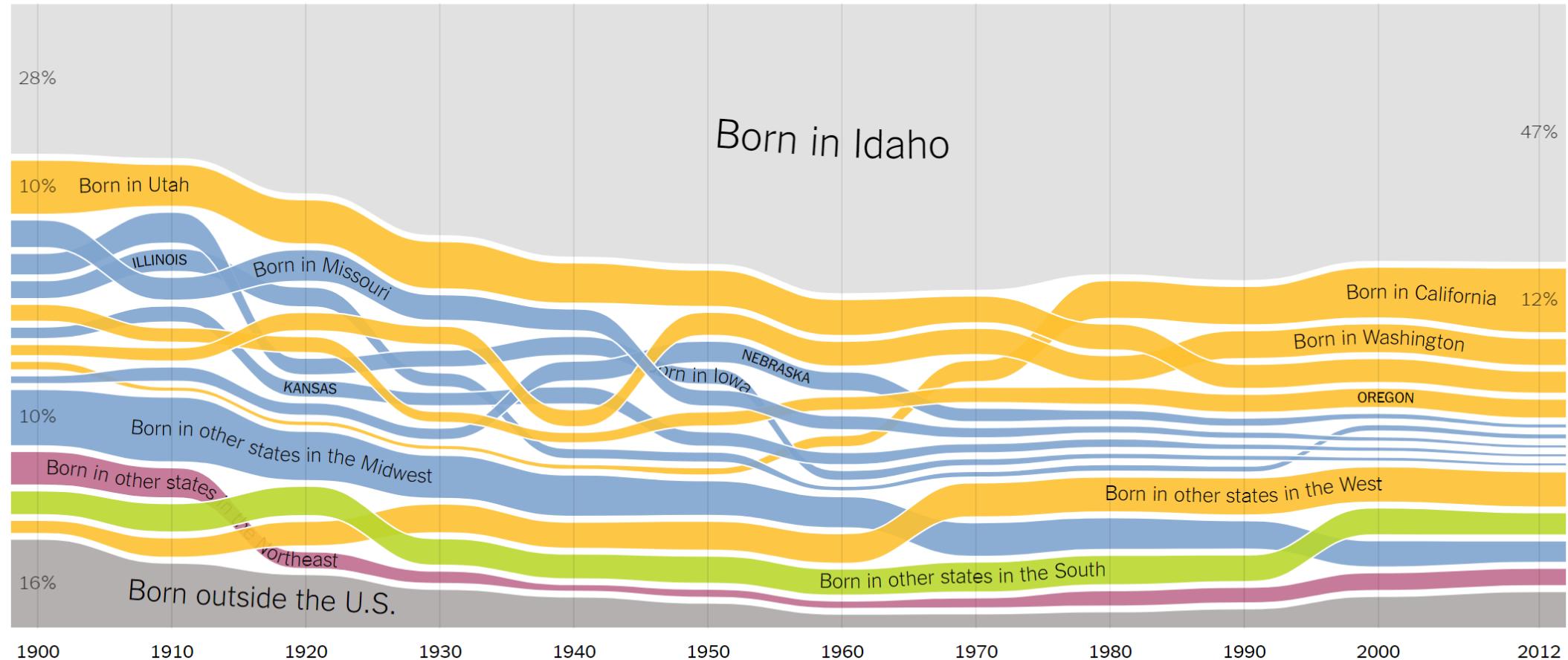


DASHBOARD OR NOT?

Where people living in Idaho **were born:**

New!

 Switch to Diaspora Out of Idaho



DASHBOARD TYPES

1. Performance Measurement

How are things
going, generally?



DASHBOARD TYPES



Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority September 2016 Goal Performance

QUALITY SERVICE

Bus Fleet Reliability
miles between failures

8,231



Bus On-Time Performance

72.4%



Elevator Availability

96.6%



Rail Fleet Reliability
miles between delays

65,416



Rail On-Time Performance

77.6%



Escalator Availability

92.5%



SAFETY & SECURITY

Employee Injuries
per 200,000 hours worked

5.7



Customer Injuries
per million passengers

2.0



Crime
per million passengers

4.5



Select a month:
September 2016

Goal Not Met Goal Met

SOURCE: <http://wmata.com>

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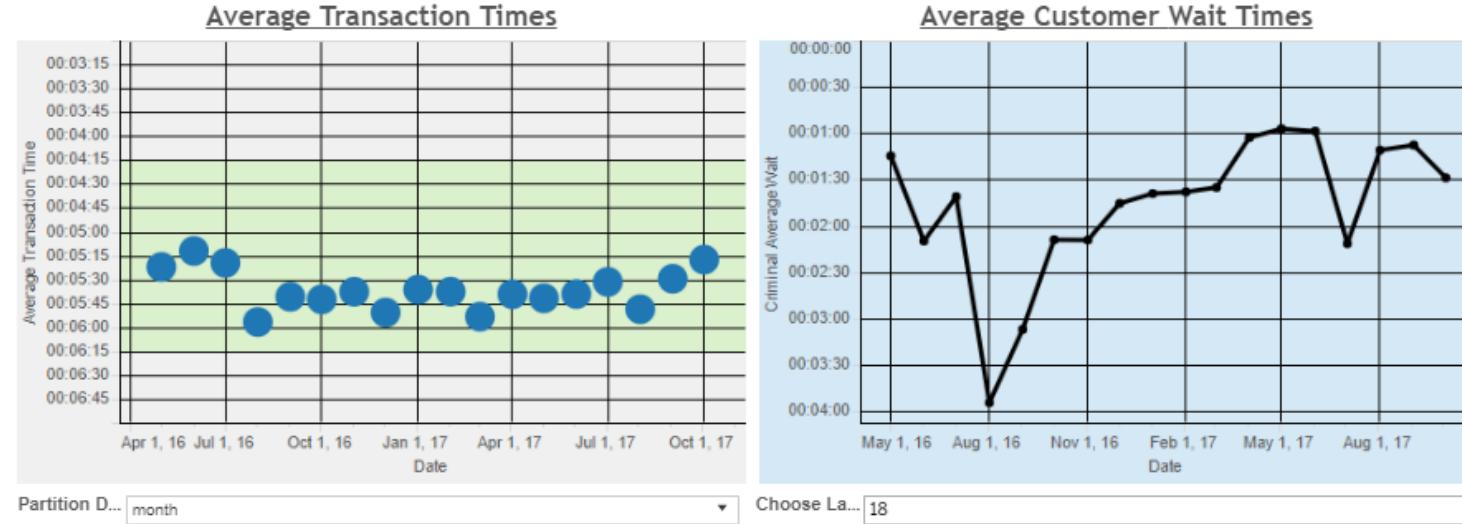
DATA VIZ
LINDS

VIBRANT COMMUNITIES

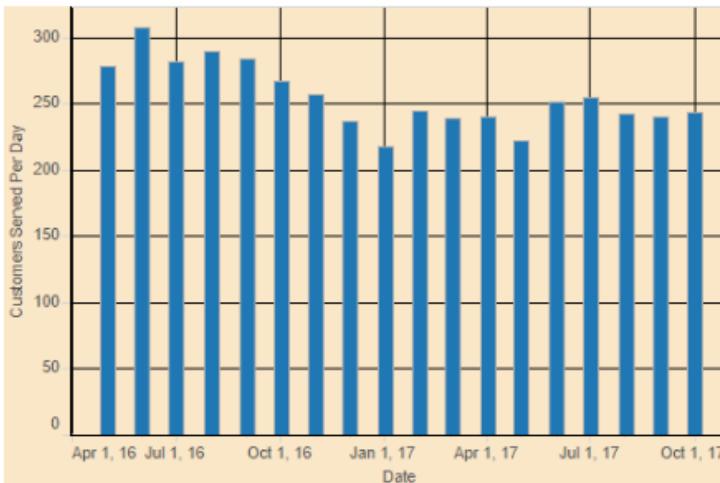


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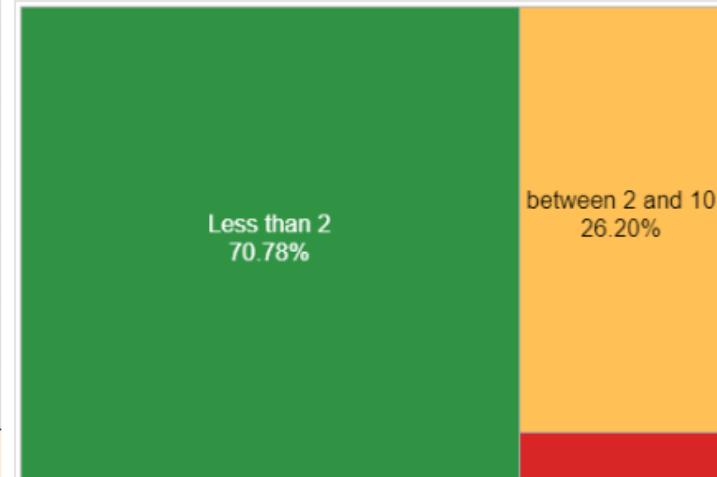
Criminal Overview



Customers Served Per Day



Customer Wait Time Buckets



RANT COMMUNITIES



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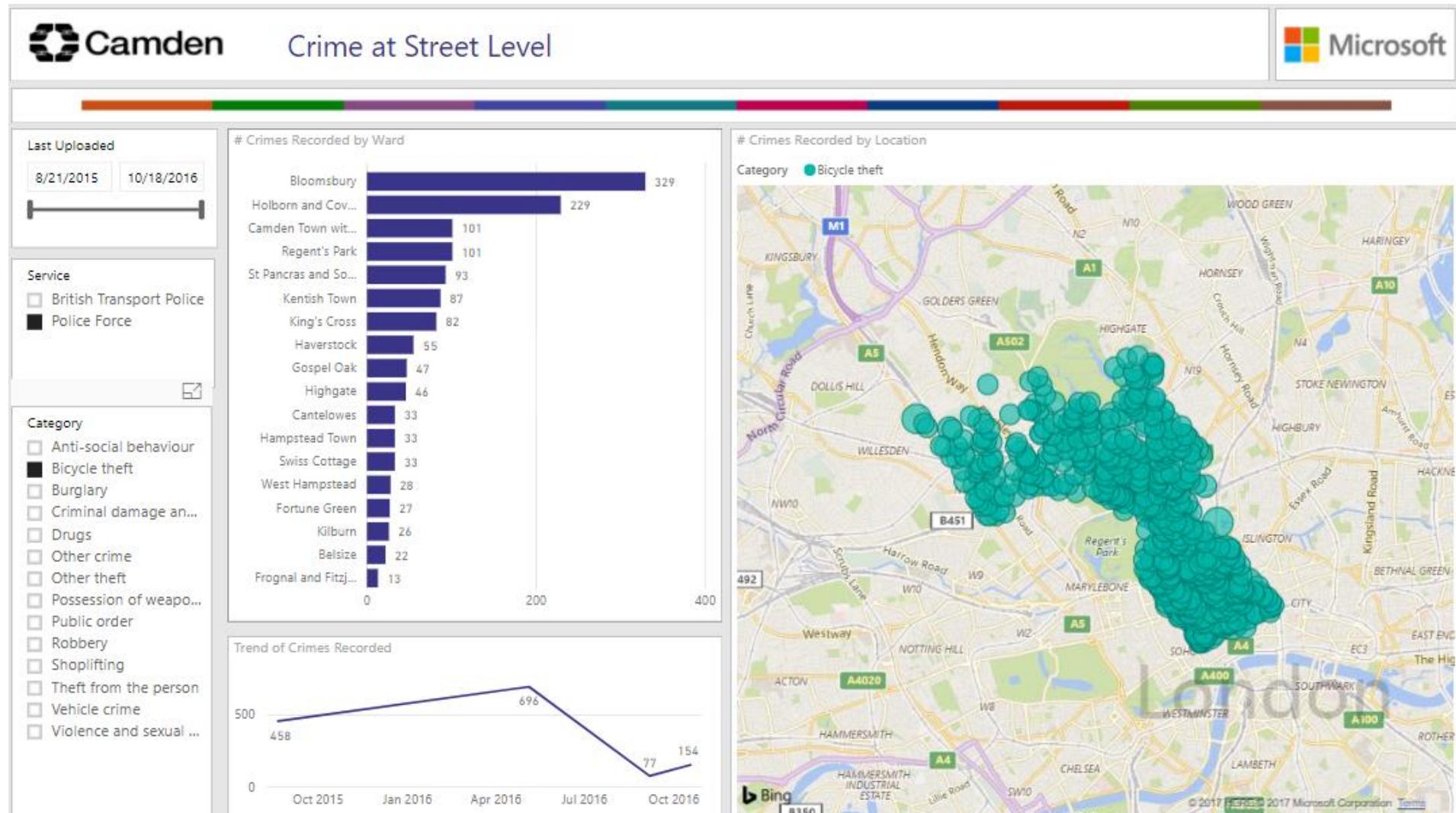
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2. Data Analysis or Exploration

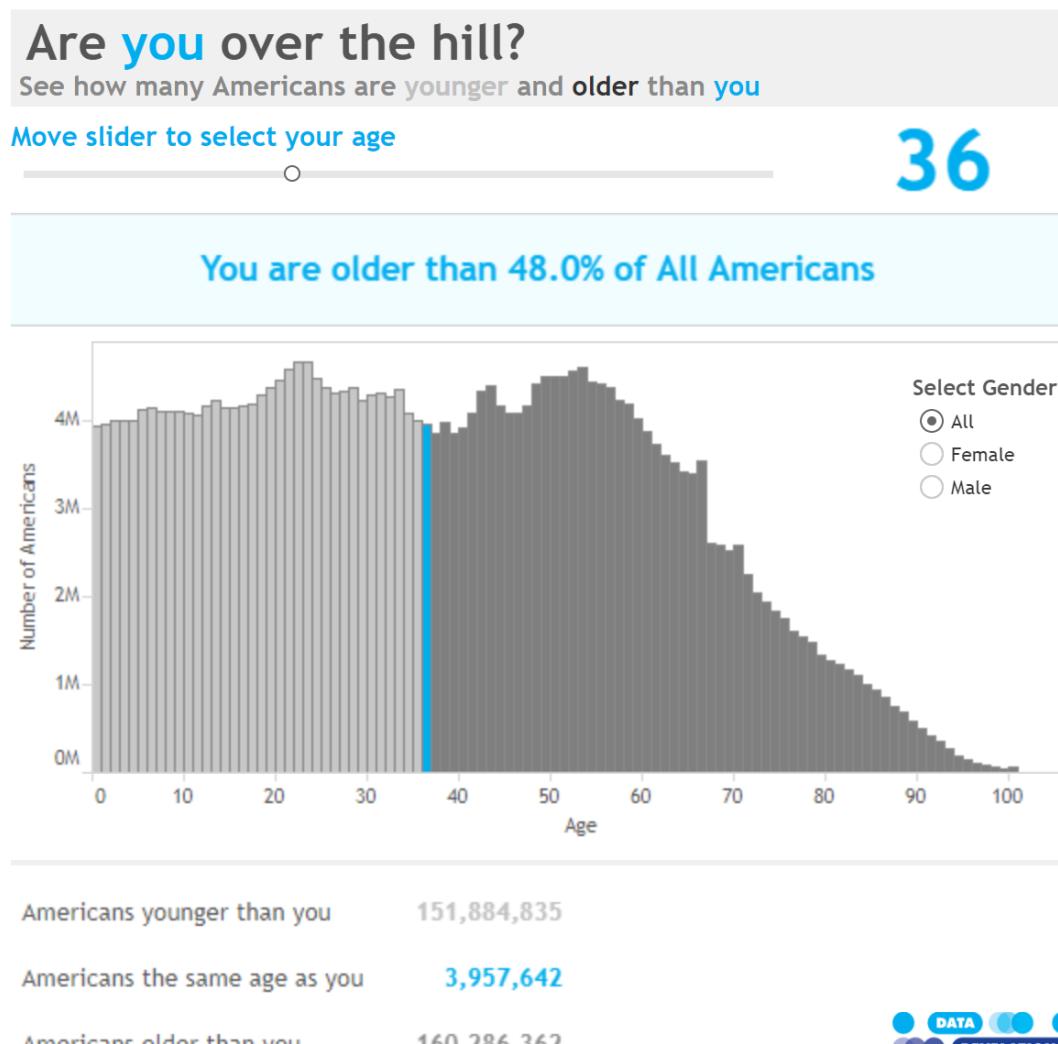
What is happening
and why?



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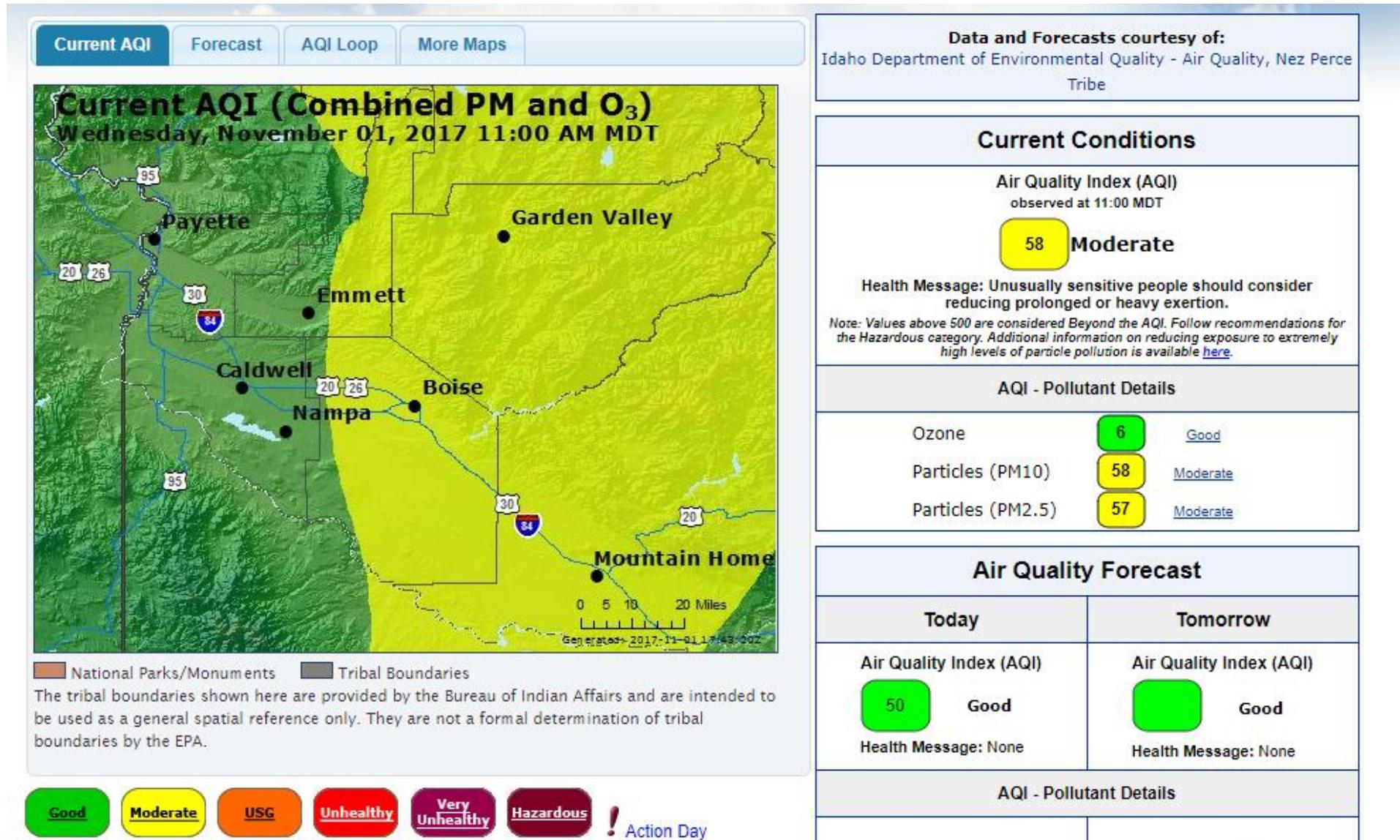
Why is happening
and why?

3. Situational Awareness

What is going on
right this second?



DASHBOARD TYPES

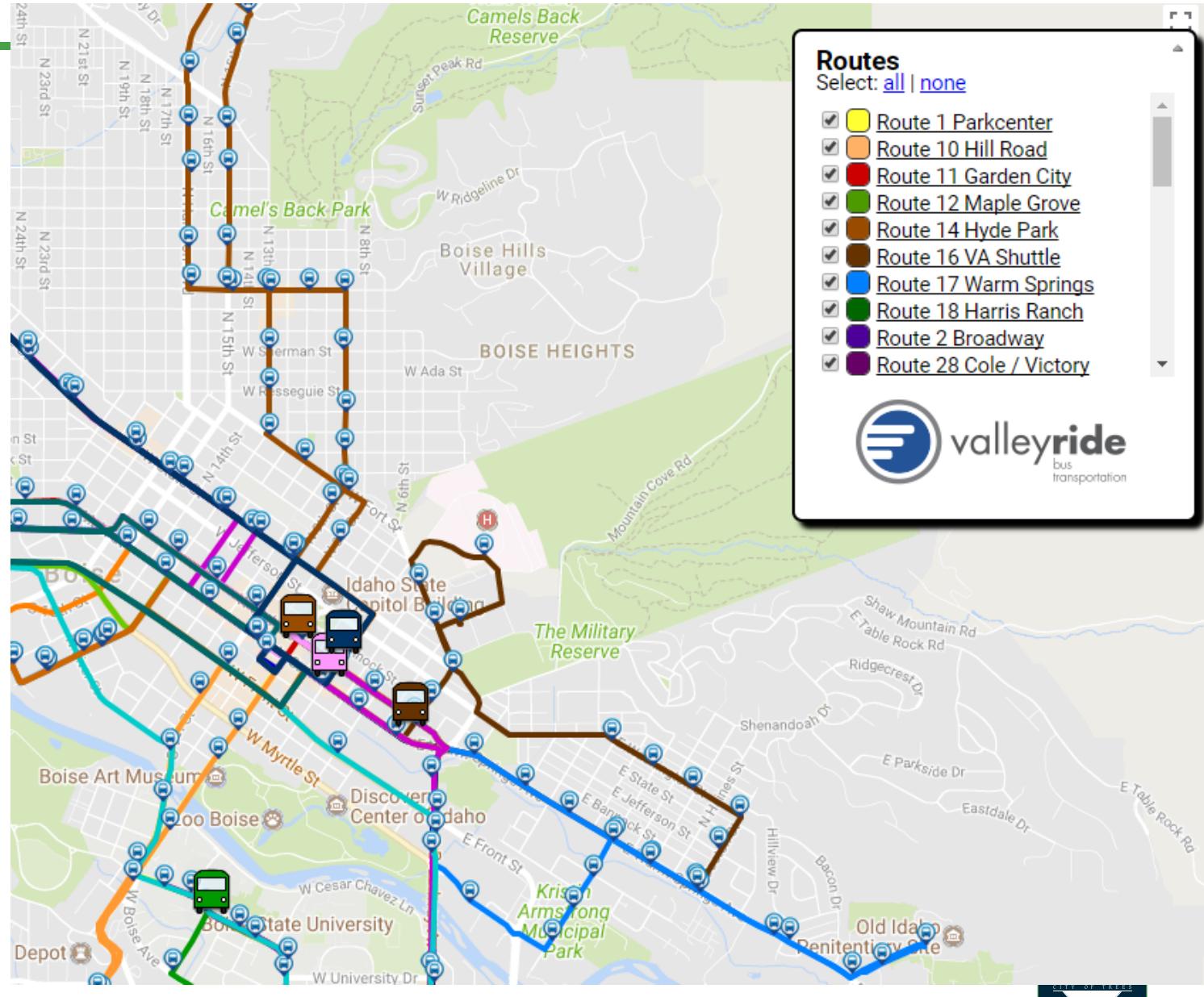


DASHBOARD TYPES

Other examples:

Fire Asset Map

Clerk Wait Time



Questions?



Activity time!

Beatlemania

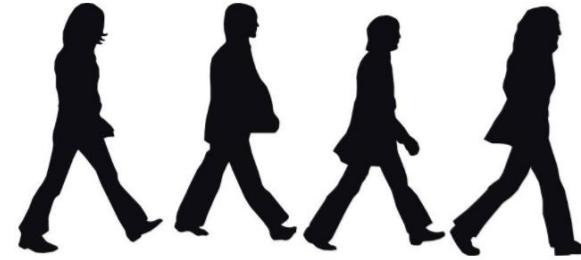
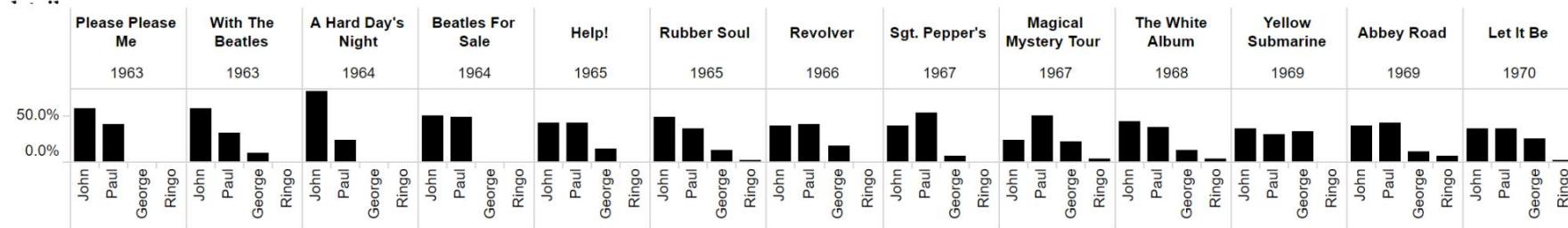
DASHBOARD TYPES

The Beatles

The Original Article by Mitchell ...

THE BEATLES

Writing Percentage By Album



Hover over a bar to see

Writing Percentage by Artist Over Time



Hover over a Beatle to highlight their contributions



DASHBOARDING PRINCIPLES



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#1: USE DATA VIZ PRINCIPLES...USUALLY



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Data Viz Principles

1. Know your message
2. Use the right chart
3. Compared to what?
4. Don't mislead
5. Efficiency!
6. Use chart elements for impact
7. It doesn't hurt to be visually appealing (in data viz and life)

PRINCIPLE #1:

USE DATA VIZ PRINCIPLES...USUALLY

These principles still hold true for dashboarding...

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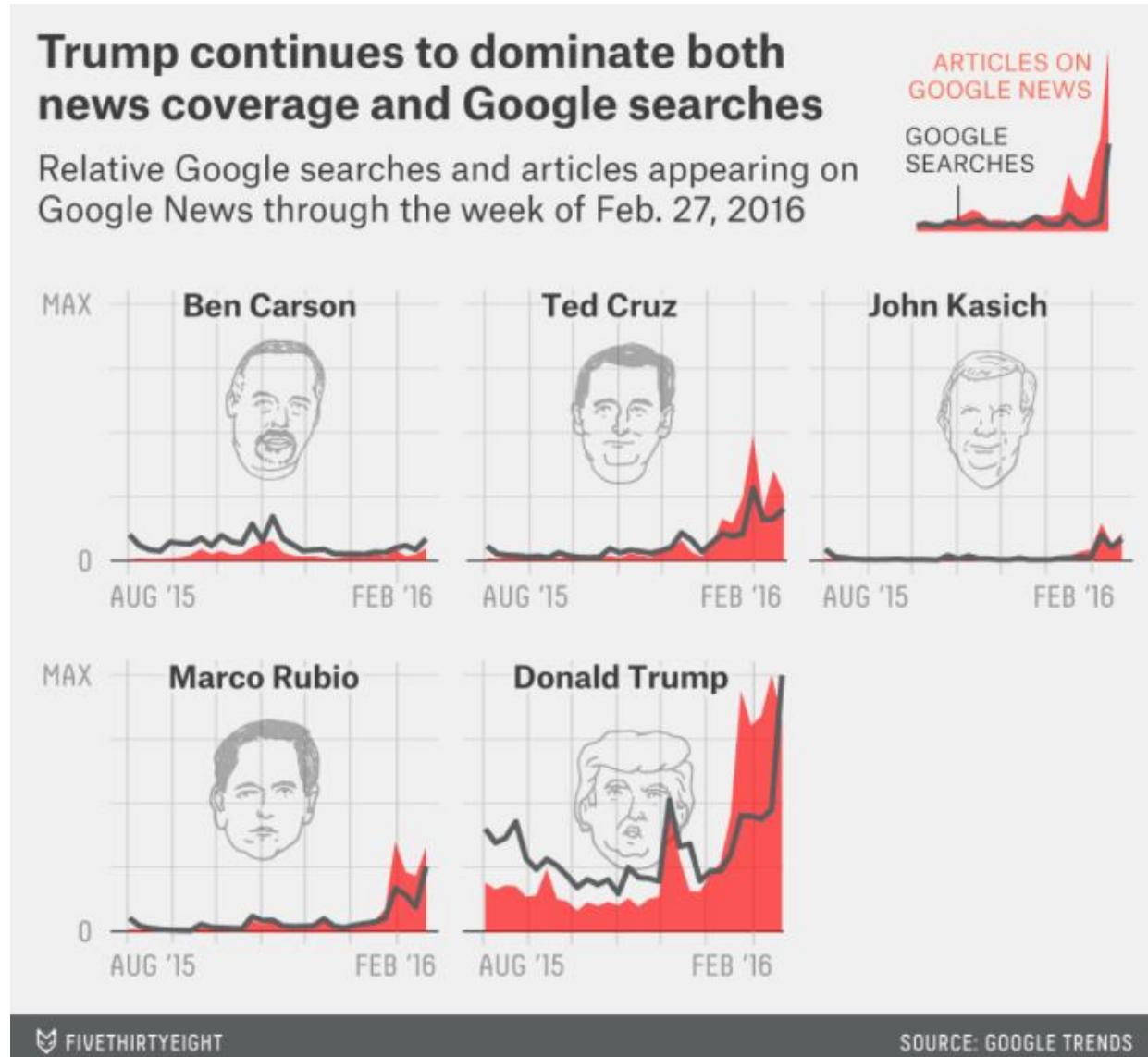
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6. Use ~~chart~~ DB elements ~~for impact~~ to create a user-friendly tool
7. It doesn't hurt to be visually appealing (in data viz and life)



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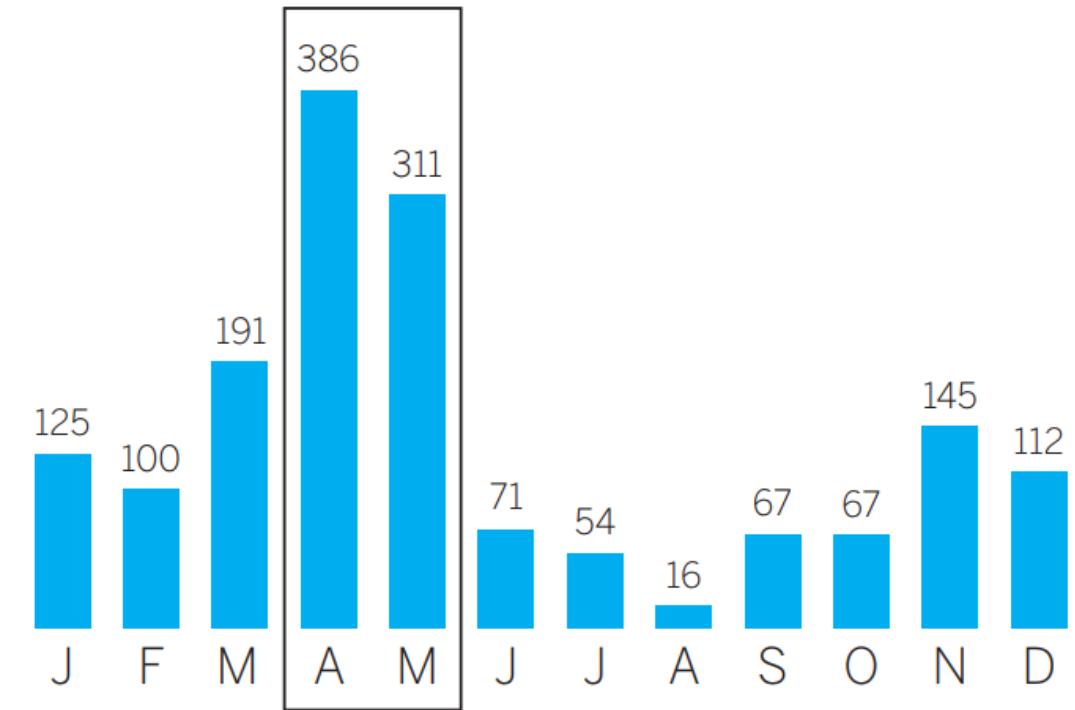
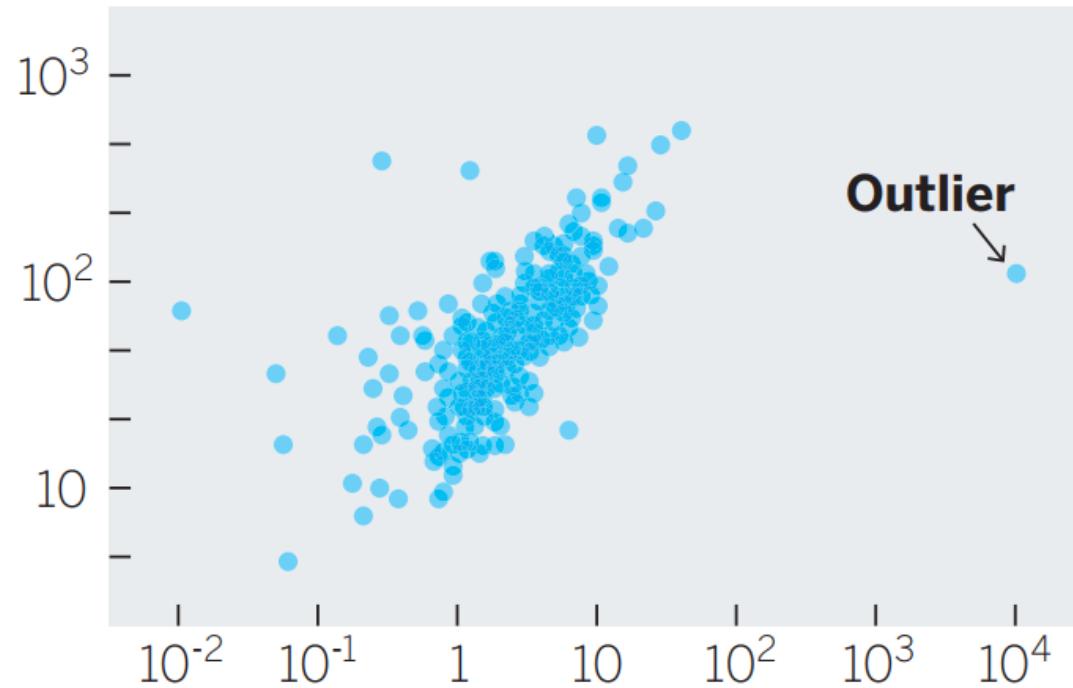
USE DATA VIZ PRINCIPLES...USUALLY

Remember: The key point could change!



PRINCIPLE #1:

USE DATA VIZ PRINCIPLES...USUALLY



DASHBOARDING PRINCIPLES

#2: KNOW YOUR OBJECTIVES

KNOW YOUR OBJECTIVES (AND AUDIENCE)

What will the dashboard be used to monitor, and what **objectives** will it support?

What **questions** will the dashboard answer?

What **actions will be taken** in response to these dashboards?

From *Information Dashboard Design* by Stephen Few

*Emphasis is mine.



PRINCIPLE #2:

KNOW YOUR OBJECTIVES (AND AUDIENCE)

Feature	Items
Audience Size	Single person Multiple people w/ different requirements
User Expertise	Novice Expert
Screen Type	Large screen Mobile screen Variable
Update Frequency	Near real time Daily Weekly

Adapted from *Information Dashboard Design* by Stephen Few





Activity time!

What are your
objectives?

Who is your
audience?

ACTIVITY: OBJECTIVES AND AUDIENCE?

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DASHBOARDING PRINCIPLES

#3: MAKE IT USER FRIENDLY



PRINCIPLE #3:

MAKE IT USER FRIENDLY

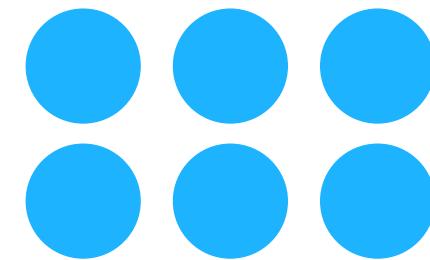
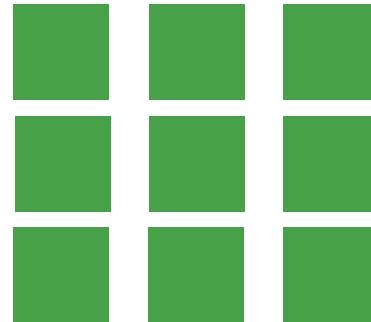
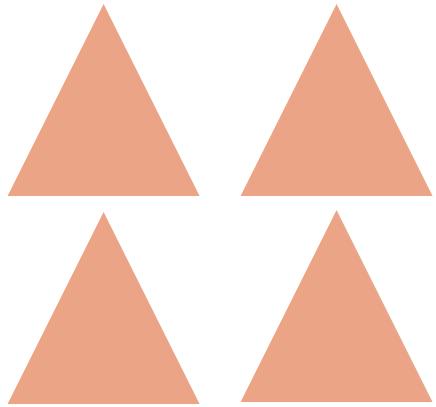
Use a grid to align objects.



PRINCIPLE #3:

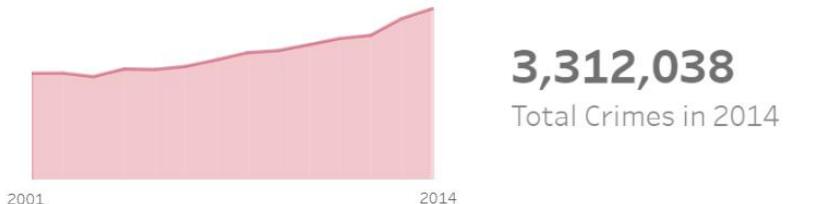
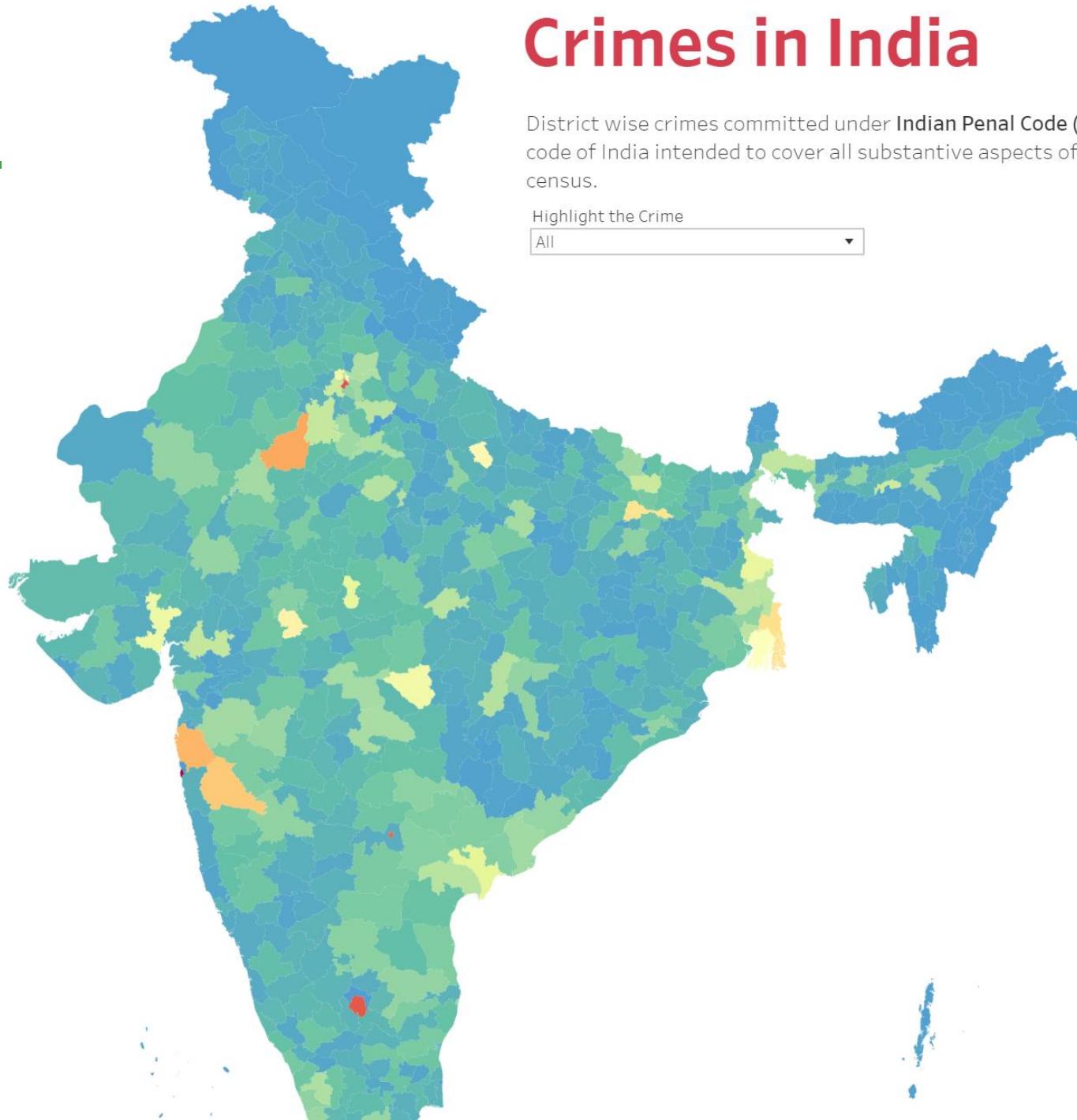
MAKE IT USER FRIENDLY

Group like items together.



Crimes in India

District wise crimes committed under **Indian Penal Code (IPC)** from 2001 to 2014. The Indian Penal Code is the main criminal code of India intended to cover all substantive aspects of criminal law. All the district names and mapping are as per 2011 census.



Theft : Auto & Other	884.9K
Assault On Women	260.6K
Grevious Hurt	210.9K
Burglary	199.3K
Riots	133.9K
Causing Death By Negligence	128.8K
Rape Attacks	116.0K
Cheating	109.7K
Kidnapping & Abduction	78.4K
Attempted: Rape,Murder & Others	50.6K
Robbery	38.1K
Murder	34.1K
Criminal Breach Of Trust	20.1K
Counterfiting	16.9K
Dacoity	11.6K
Insult To Modesty Of Women	9.7K
Arson	9.3K
Dowry Deaths	8.5K
Culpable Homicide Not Murder	3.3K

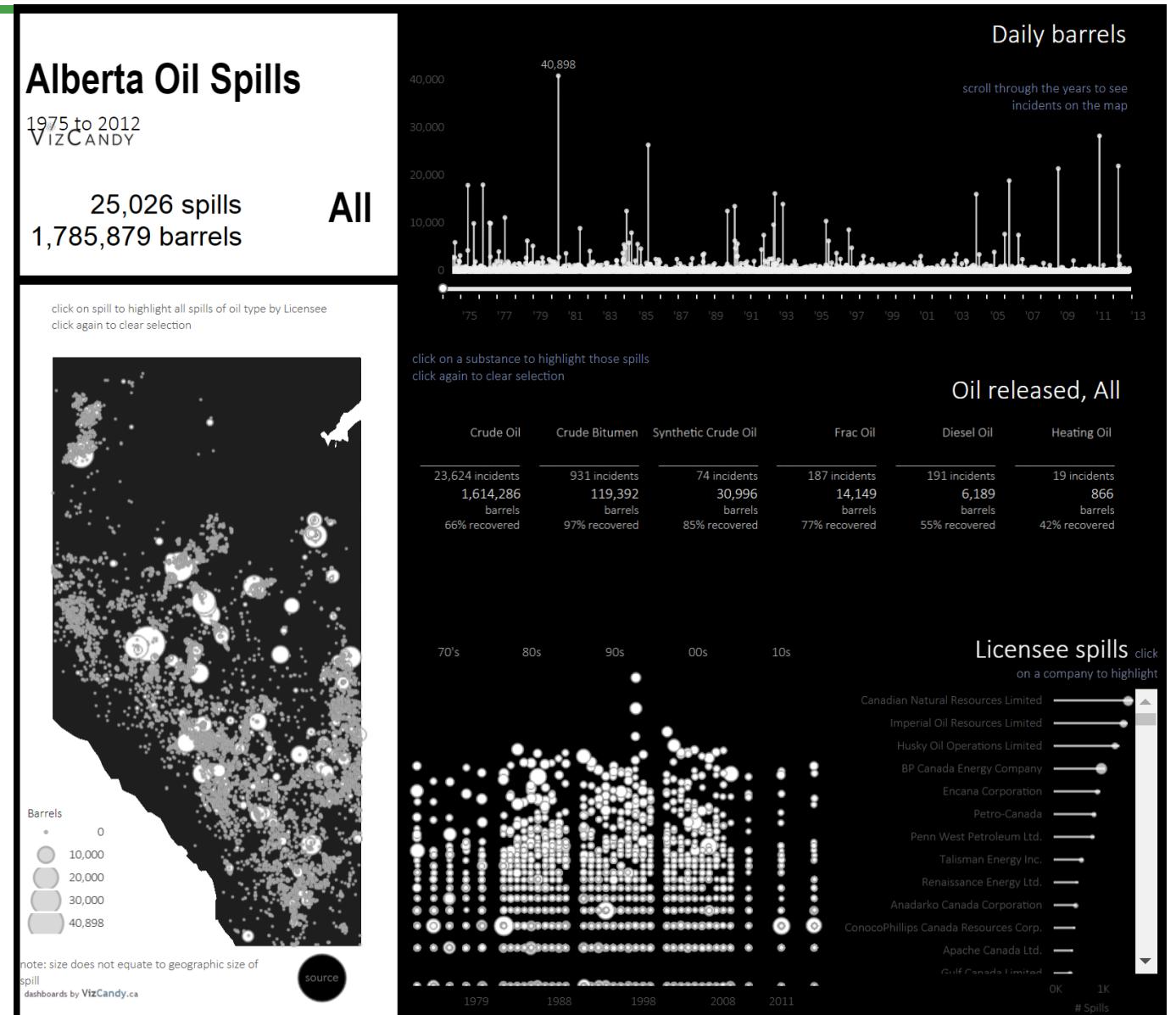


PRINCIPLE #3:

MAKE IT USER FRIENDLY

Consider concise instructions.

And be careful with color!

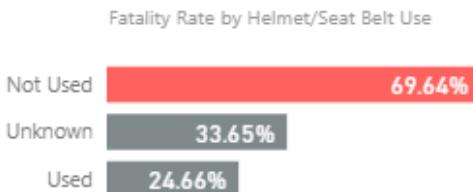


Vary your chart types.

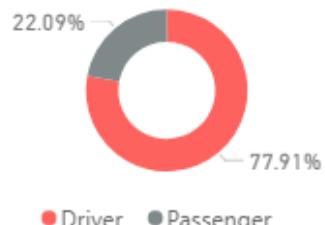
In 2015 **73 390** people were involved in the fatal accidents.
29 671 vehicle occupants died.



Those not wearing seat belts or helmets were **45.0 %** more likely to have died in these accidents

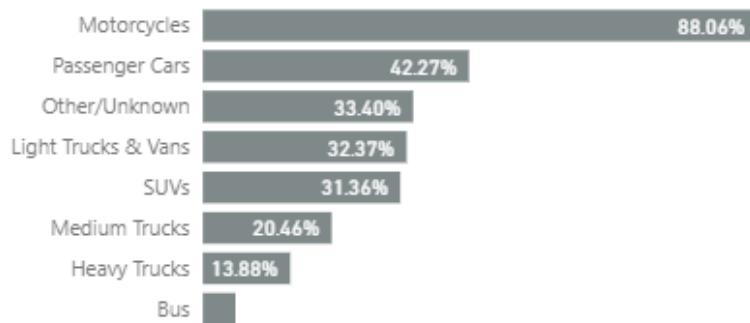


Vehicle drivers account for the majority of accident fatalities

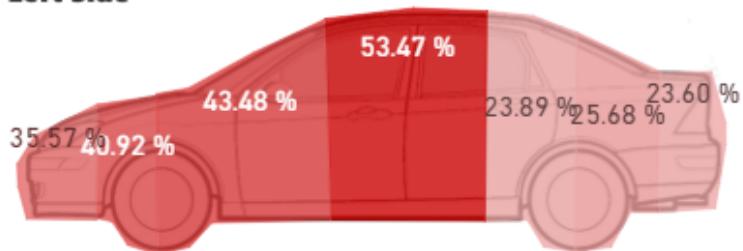


In addition to seat belt use, the fatality rate varies greatly by the **type of vehicle**, **point of impact** in an accident, and **seating position** within a vehicle.

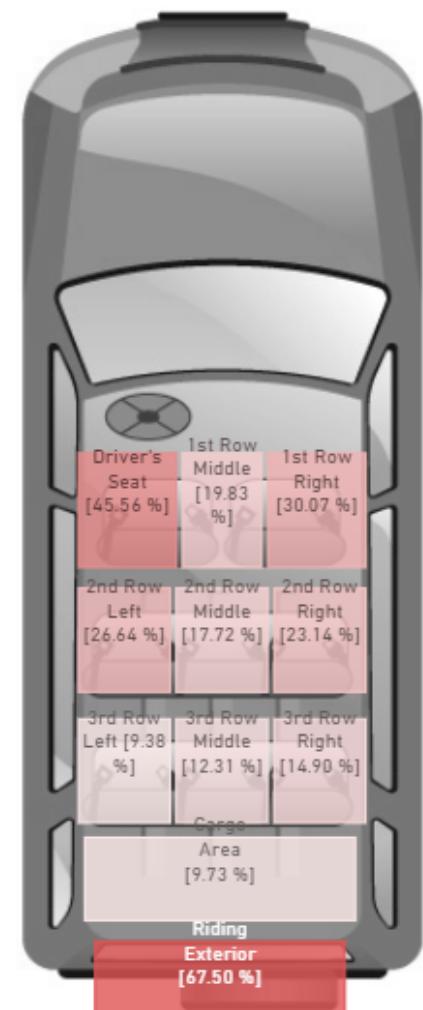
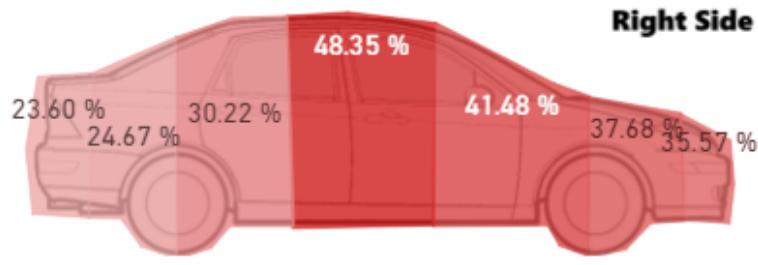
Fatality Rate for Occupants in Crashes With 1 or More Fatality



Left Side



Right Side



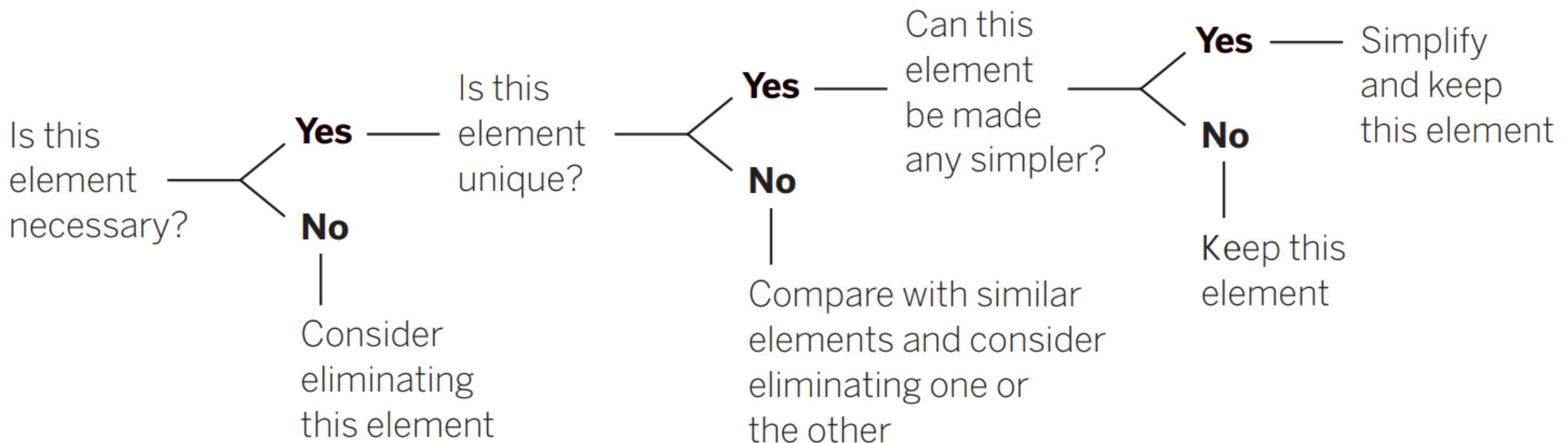
DASHBOARDING PRINCIPLES

#4: EFFICIENCY!



PRINCIPLE #4:
EFFICIENCY!

WHICH ELEMENTS SHOULD YOU KEEP?



From: *Good Charts* by Scott Berinato

PRINCIPLE #4: EFFICIENCY!





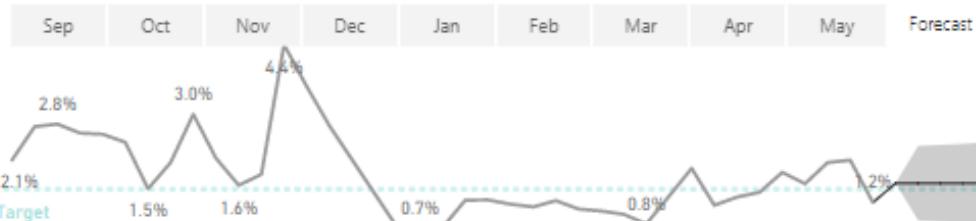
Absence Reduction Report

Secondary Level

Use this report to drive informed conversations to reduce absences, improve educational value, and increase test scores.

District Status

Select a month to filter dashboard:



1.6%

Actual Absence %

1.5%

Target Absence %

217K

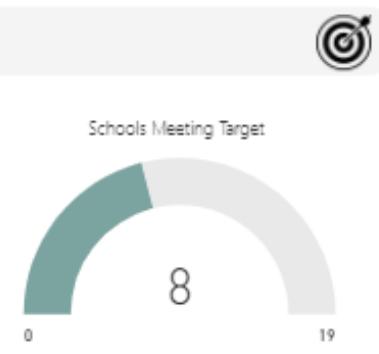
Total Absences

204K

Target Absences

Schools Meeting Target

8



Opportunities By School

Select schools to filter: All

School	Total Absences	Absence Percentage	Reduction Goal
Arts & Crafts Academy	22,415	2.6 %	9,546
Small High School	8,061	3.9 %	4,970
Seashore High School	33,092	1.7 %	4,506
Tech High School	11,497	1.9 %	2,592
Special School	16,313	1.7 %	2,120
Stevens Pass High School	43,576	1.5 %	1,220

Absence Percentage By Subject

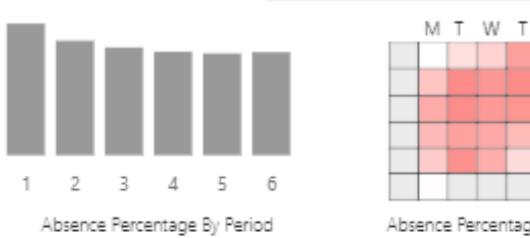


Conversation Topics

Select a subject to filter: All

Teacher	Principal	Total Absences	Absence Percentage	Reduction Goal
Yang, Steve	Kerr, Tyrone	2,142	3.9 %	1,309
Meyer, Dan	Buckley, William	2,681	2.9 %	1,281
Alvarado, Clifford	Buckley, William	1,943	3.8 %	1,172
Weeks, Liza	Buckley, William	2,038	3.4 %	1,144
Rollins, Clinton	Kerr, Tyrone	1,501	5.0 %	1,054
Reid, Diana	Buckley, William	1,760	3.1 %	906

Select a teacher to filter: All

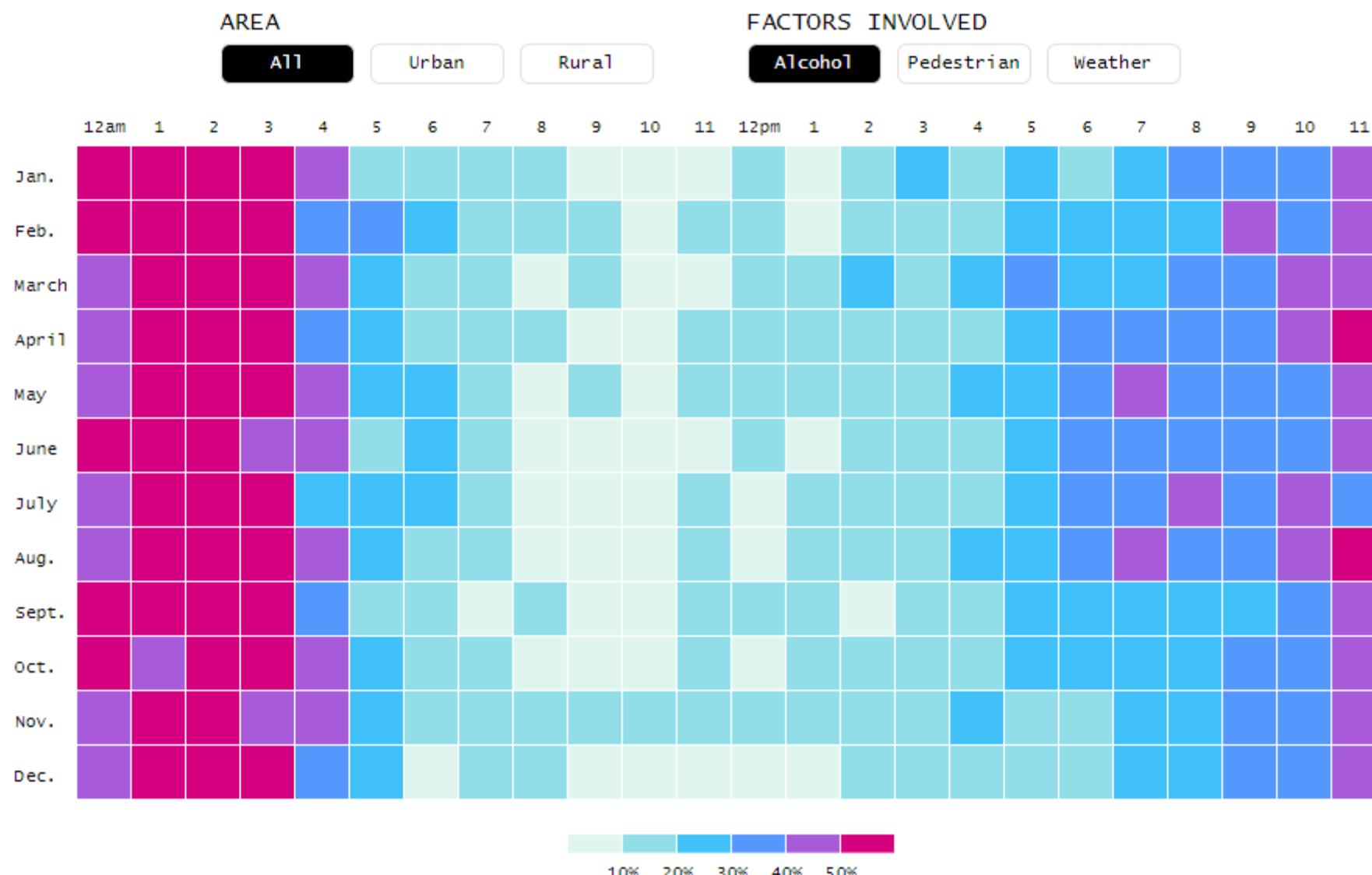


Course	Actual Absence %
Introduction To Robotics	8.7 %
Welding 1	7.9 %
Beginning American Si...	7.8 %
AP Calculus BC	7.5 %
Beginning Reading - ELL	7.5 %
Welding 2	6.7 %
Principles Of Engineeri...	6.5 %

Absence Percentage By Class

WHEN FATAL CRASHES HAPPENED

Each cell represents the percentage of crashes involving the selected factor, occurring during the given month and time in 2015.



DASHBOARDING PRINCIPLES

#5: AT A GLANCE OR LOOK DEEPER

PRINCIPLE #5:

AT A GLANCE OR LOOK DEEPER



Keep each dashboard to one computer screen if you can...

AT A GLANCE OR LOOK DEEPER

Performance of services contributing to Calgary's quality of life

Waste landfilled per capita

431 kg per person

Waste & Recycling Services (WRS) uses the amount of waste that goes to the landfill...

On Track

[View Goal](#)

Roads: Summer Maintenance

78 per cent

The City is committed to maintaining the integrity and quality of Calgary's roadways and...

Near Target

[View Goal](#)

Fire response within 7 minutes

82 per cent of the time

Response times are an important measure of citizen safety and service. In the event...

On Track

[View Goal](#)

DASHBOARDING PRINCIPLES

1. Use data viz principles...usually
2. Know your objectives (and audience)
3. Make it user friendly
4. Efficiency!
5. At a glance...or look deeper



Questions?

THE PROCESS



THE PROCESS

1. User research (objectives, functionality needs, etc.)
2. Steal ideas!
3. Sketch it out on paper (or PowerPoint)
4. Access, clean and explore the data
5. Create and test draft dashboard
6. Integrate feedback
7. Train users and deploy



Activity time!

Sketch a
Dashboard

POWER BI



POWER BI

WHAT IS POWER BI?



WHAT IS POWER BI

- Data viz and dashboarding
- Automatic data refresh
- Use many different data types
- Share with others



Source: Gartner (February 2017)

POWER BI

A TUTORIAL



Questions Asked at Boise Libraries

Since January 2016

Total # of Questions

14.72K

of Questions YTD

8,613

Select a date range

1/2/2016 11/12/2017

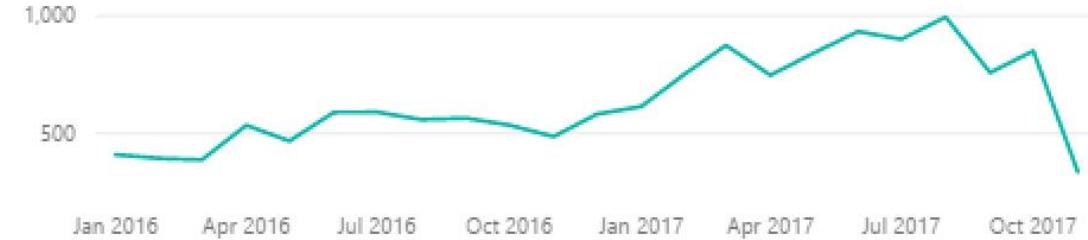
Select customer age

- Adult
- Kid
- Teen

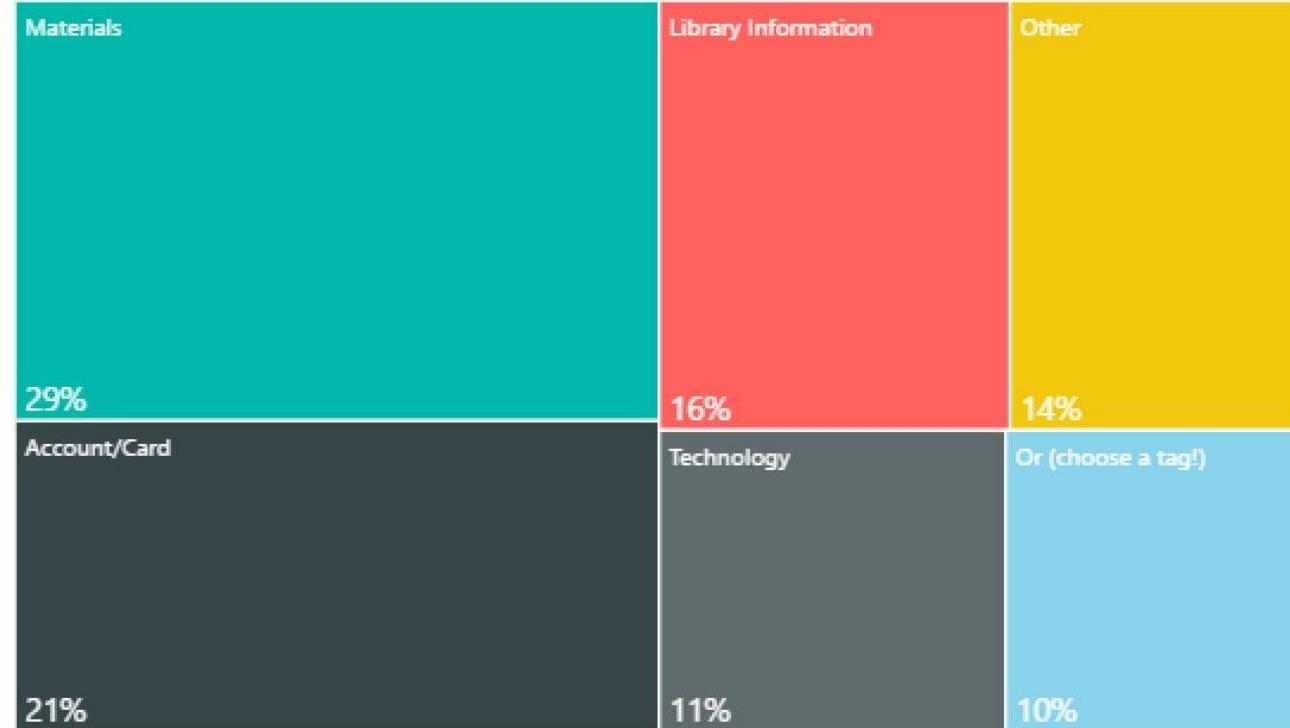
Select a format

- Book a Librar...
- Email
- In-person
- Page
- Phone

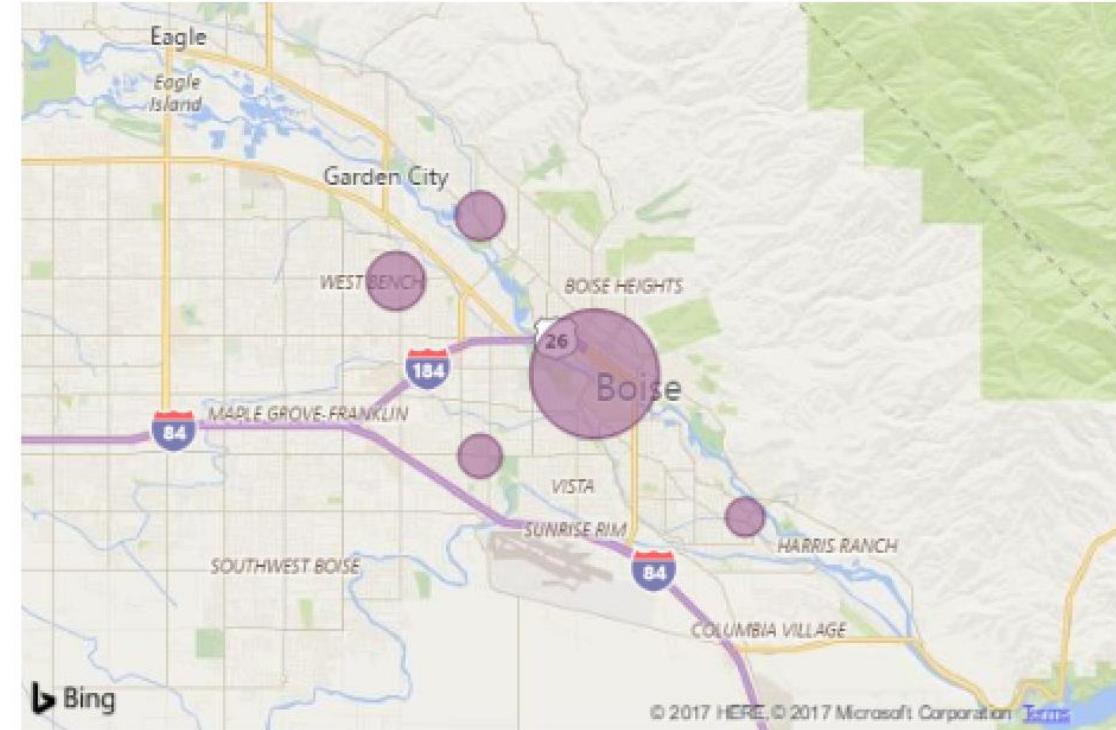
ID by Year, Quarter and Month

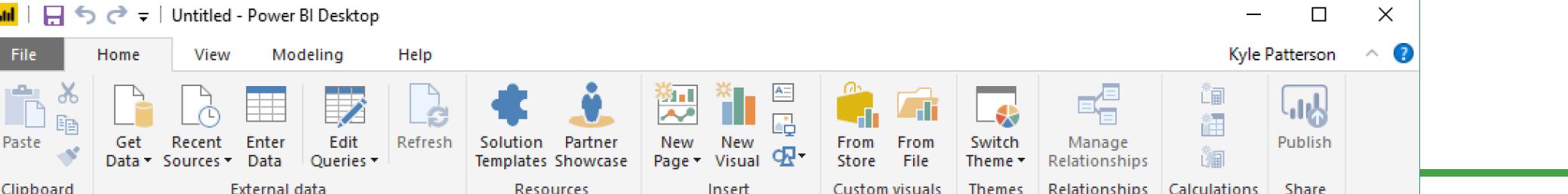


of Questions by Type



of Questions by Library





The main workspace shows the "Views" pane on the left, which contains tabs for "Report 1" and "Report 2". A red box labeled "Views" points to the icon in the Views pane. To the right is the "Visualization" pane, which displays a grid of visualization icons. A red box labeled "Visualization Pane" points to the title of this pane. On the far right is the "Fields" pane, which contains sections for "VALUES", "FILTERS", and "REPORT LEVEL FILTERS", each with a "Drag data fields here" placeholder. A red box labeled "Fields Pane" points to the title of this pane. At the bottom left is the navigation bar with icons for back, forward, and search, and tabs for "Page 1" and "Page 2". A red box labeled "Tab for each report" points to the "Page 1" tab.



POWER BI TUTORIAL



time!!!!

POWER BI TUTORIAL

Spend 5 minutes
exploring your
dashboard.



Questions?



Activity time!

Make some charts

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Make these charts:

1. Line chart with # of questions by day for Nov-Dec 2016
2. Treemap by “Site” and “Location” (where in Library)
3. 100% stacked bar chart of question type by age group
(each bar represents an age group, and segments within bars represent question type)
4. Create one visualization from the “Store”

RESOURCES

Inspiration and Advice

- [Tableau Blog](#) *new
- [Tableau Gallery](#)*new
- [Power BI Data Stories Gallery](#)*new
- [Data Viz Done Right](#)
- [NY Times - The Upshot](#)
- The Economist [tweets](#)
- [FiveThirtyEight](#)
- [Information is Beautiful](#)

Use the right chart

- [Visuals Reference](#) guide*new
- [Infogram](#) guide

I have books! You can borrow them!

- Information Dashboard Design
- Good Charts
- Knowledge is Beautiful
- Edward Tufte books (4 of them)

Free Power BI Videos/Courses

- [EdX Course](#)*new
- [Microsoft Videos](#)*new



NEXT STEPS

- Meetings with Kyle/Marnie
- Develop Project Charter by December 15
- December meeting? Pivot Tables?
- Tutorial on sharing to come
- Evaluation form – see email



Activity time!

Evaluation

Appendices

EYE TRACKING STUDY



KEY PRINCIPLES

Visualizing Data

1. Know your message
2. Use the right chart
3. Compared to what?
4. Don't mislead
5. Efficiency!
6. Use chart elements for impact
7. It doesn't hurt to be visually appealing (in data viz and life)

Presenting Data

1. Know your audience
2. Efficiency! (again)
3. So What?



OUTLINE

- Intro/Context – **35 min** 8:30 – 9:05am
 - Opening Activity – 10 min
 - Slides – 15 min
 - Beatlemania activity – 10 min
- Principles of dashboarding – **75 min** 9:05 – 10:20am
 - Slides – 15 min
 - Break – 10 min
 - Objectives/Audience Activity – 10 min
 - Slides – 15 min
 - Sketch Activity – 25 minutes
- Power BI - **115 min** 10:20 - 12:15pm
 - Create dashboard together – 50 min
 - Break – 10 min
 - Dashboard activity - 55 min
- Closeout – **15 min** 12:15 – 12:30pm
 - Resources and Next Steps – 5 min
 - Evaluation – 10 min