Primary functions for data analysis:

- **read_csv**(): imports text files in CSV format into the R environment.
- filter(): select only certain rows from a dataset.
- **group_by**(): group the rows in a dataset based on the values in one or more columns.
- summarise(): apply summary functions (see below) to the whole dataset, or to groups if group_by() is used
- arrange(): sort results based on one or more columns; ascending is the default, use desc() for descending.
- **count()**: group the data based on a column or columns and apply the n() summary function to those groups.
- mutate(): create a new column in a dataset

Summary functions for analysis:

- sum(): sum a numbers column. If NAs are present will return NA, unless na.rm=T is used.
- mean(): average a numbers column. If NAs are present will return NA, unless na.rm=T is used.
- median(): get the median of a numbers column. If NAs are present will return NA, unless na.rm=T is used.
- **n**(): count rows or observations.
- range(): get the highest and lowest values in a column.

Supplementary functions for manipulating data:

- **clean_names**(): from the janitor package, standardizes column names in a dataset to all lowercase, and replaces non-letter characters and spaces to underscores..
- is.na(): used within filter() to find nulls (NAs).
- as.numeric(): converts strings to numbers; will coerce non-numeric values into NA.
- as.character(): converts non-string values to strings.