

Taller de fundamentos de visualización de datos

Hola, este es el material que usé para el taller en la Tarugo#4 (octubre '19) y aunque algunas cosas se entienden bien, este contenido no está pensado para ser auto explicativo.

Cualquier pregunta a javi@tinybird.co espero que os sirva de ayuda y por lo menos os obligue a pensar un poco la próxima vez que representéis datos en pantalla.

Un saludo
Javi Santana

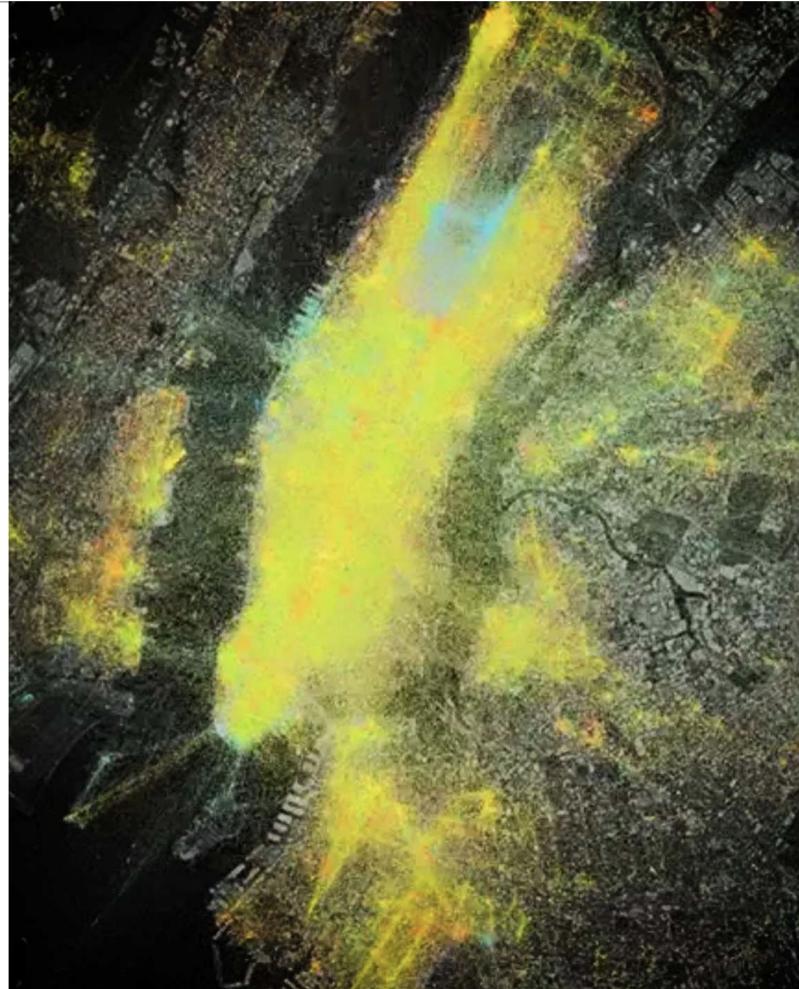
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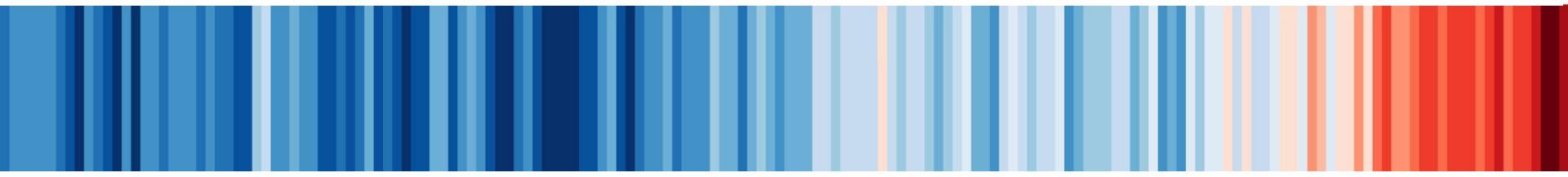
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CHECKING IN | AUG. 27, 2019

Ten Years On, Foursquare Is Now Checking In to You Even the company is still trying to figure out whether that's "cool or creepy."

By James D. Walsh





The Economist

The climate issue

1850

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Iran's dangerous game

Lessons from a Wall Street titan

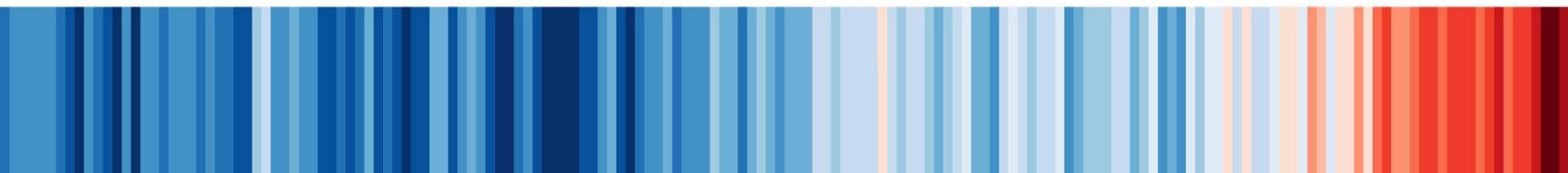
Why rent controls are wrong-headed

Goddess of the Taiwan Strait

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“I was looking for a way to communicate to audiences that aren't used to seeing graphs, or axes, or labels — things that we see day-to-day, but are complicated to them. It may look too mathematical to them, so it turns them off straight away.”

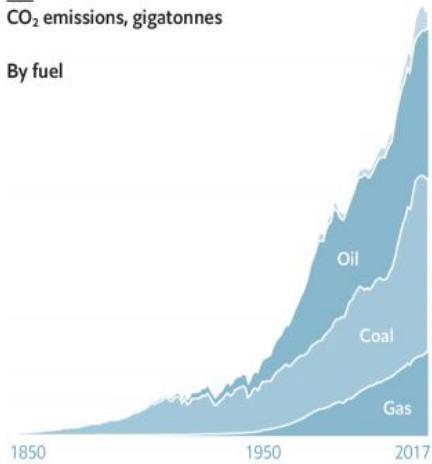
— @ed_hawkins



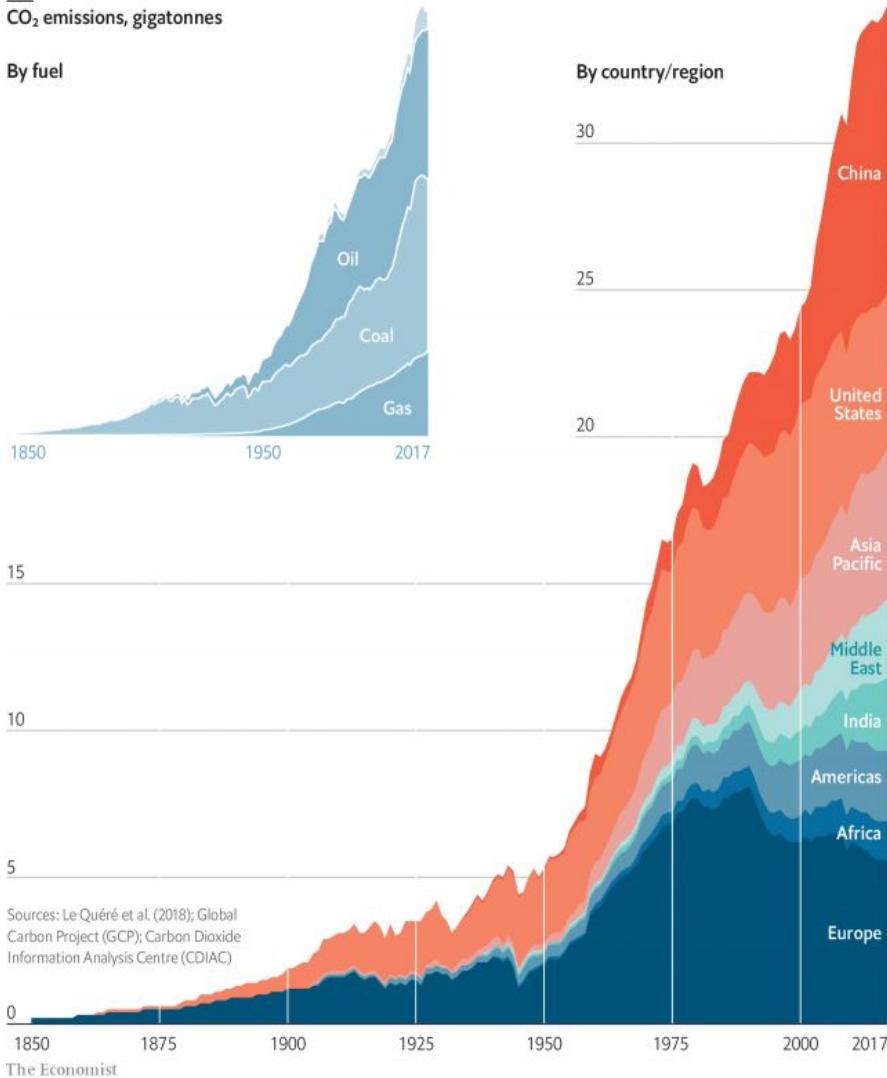


CO₂ emissions, gigatonnes

By fuel



By country/region



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What's Data visualization?

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Wikipedia

Data visualization is the graphical representation of data

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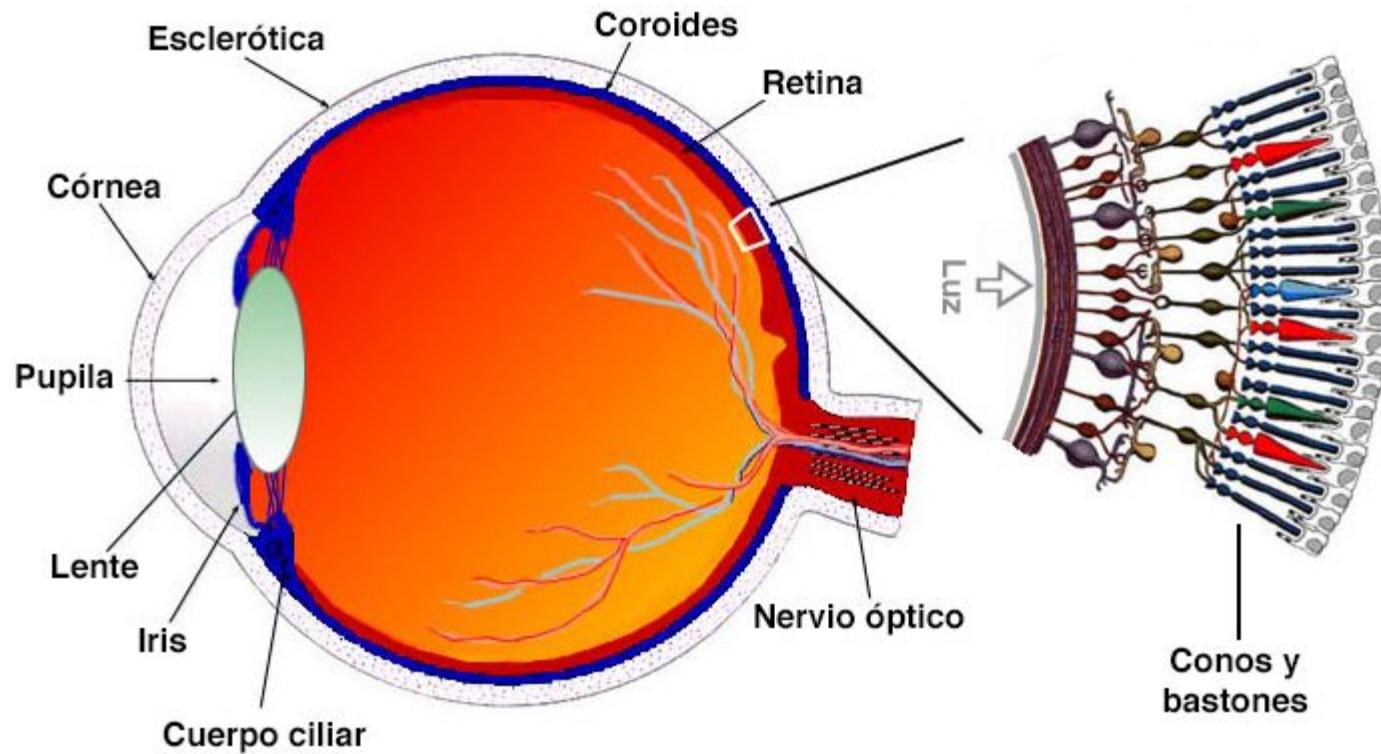
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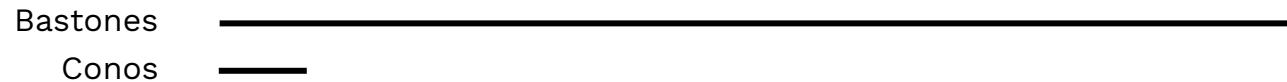
What's Data visualization?

Perception

120M bastones vs 7M conos

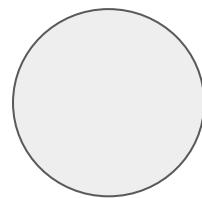
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Perception II



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Perception II



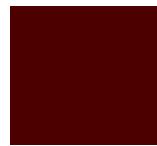
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Conos

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Perception III



Bastones



Conos

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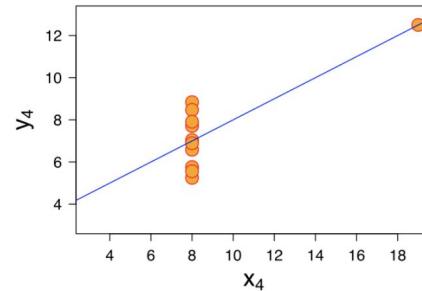
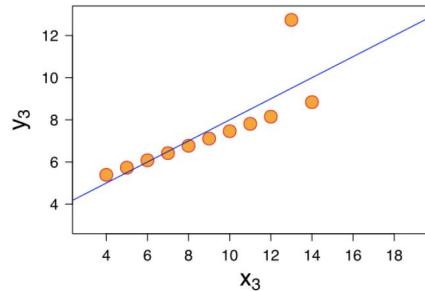
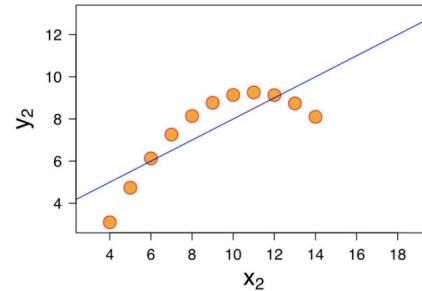
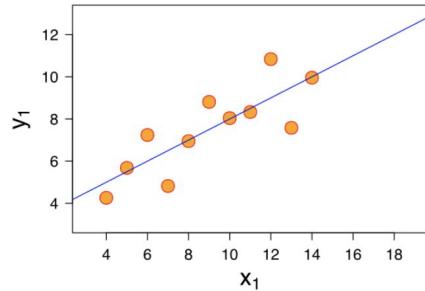
Perception (and IV)

Bastones Madrid -> Valencia

Conos Madrid -> Leganés

What's Data visualization?

Why do we need a graphical representation if we have numbers and feelings



02.

The basis

The basis

How to represent different kind of data

Magnitudes: age, speed...

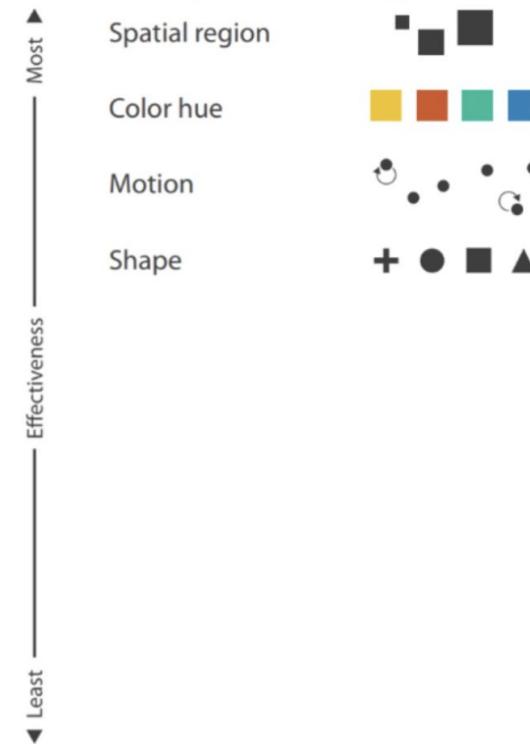
Categories: political party, football team...

Channels: Expressiveness Types and Effectiveness Ranks

④ Magnitude Channels: Ordered Attributes



⑤ Identity Channels: Categorical Attributes



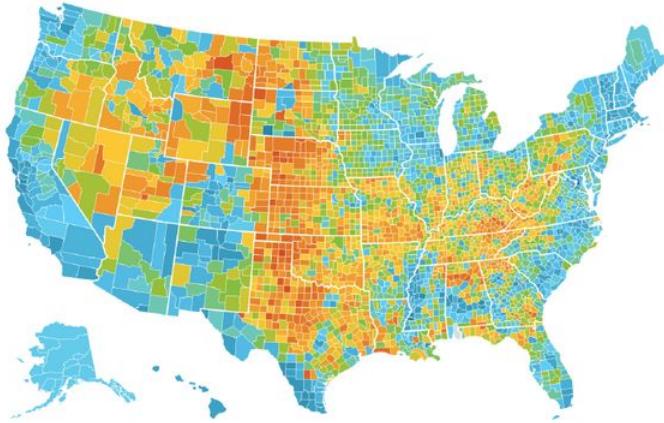


The basis

How to represent different kind of data

- Position and size: easy to understand
- Color: not really

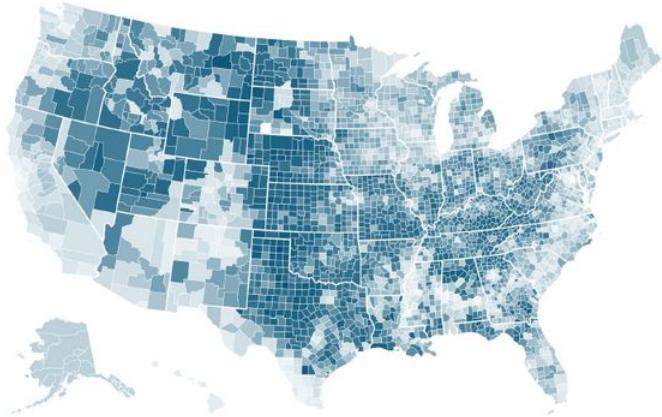
NOT IDEAL



HUE-BASED GRADIENT



BETTER

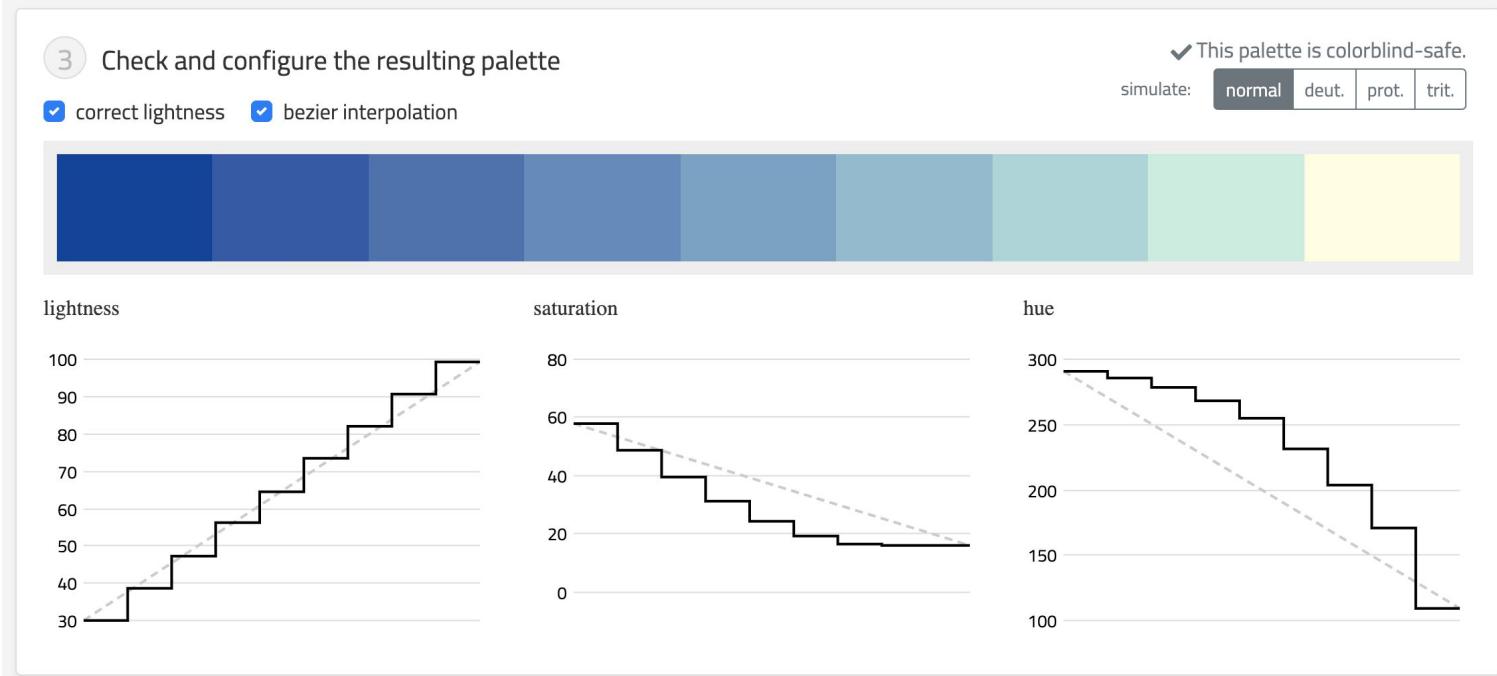


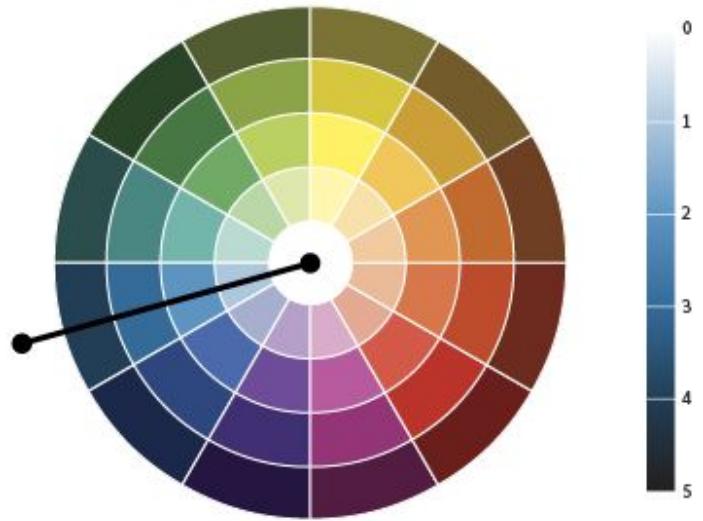
LIGHTNESS-BASED GRADIENT



Basics

Using color to represent **magnitudes**



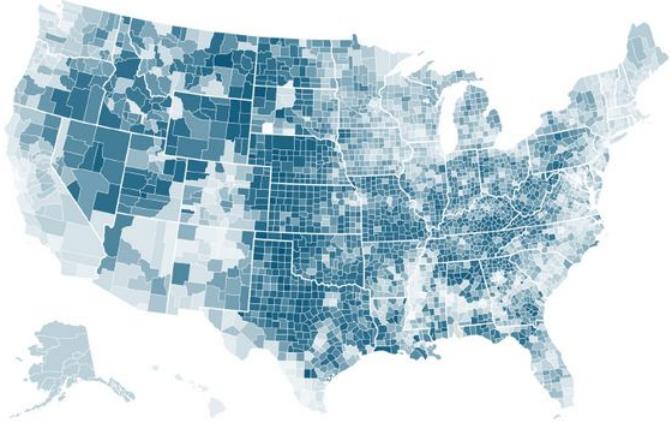


Single-Hue Sequential Color Scale



Multi-Hue Sequential Color Scale

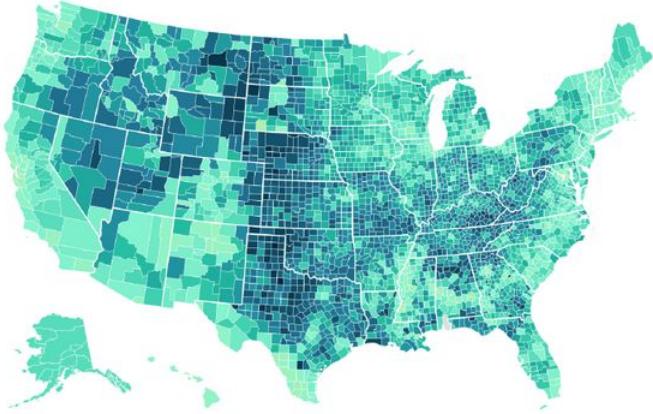
NOT SO BAD



ONE HUE



EVEN BETTER

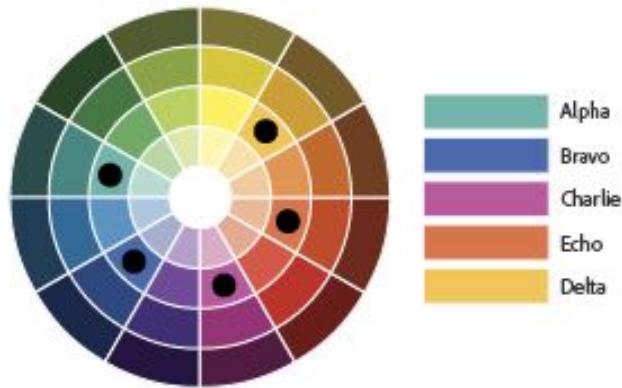


TWO HUES



Basics

Using color to represent **categories**

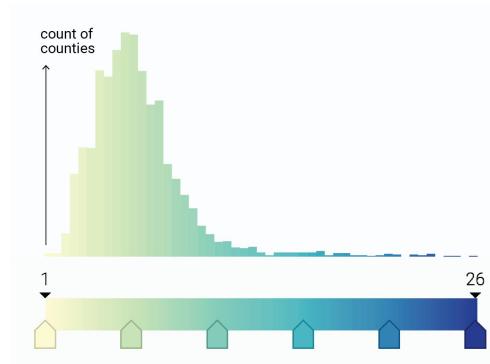


The best of both worlds.

The basis Partitions

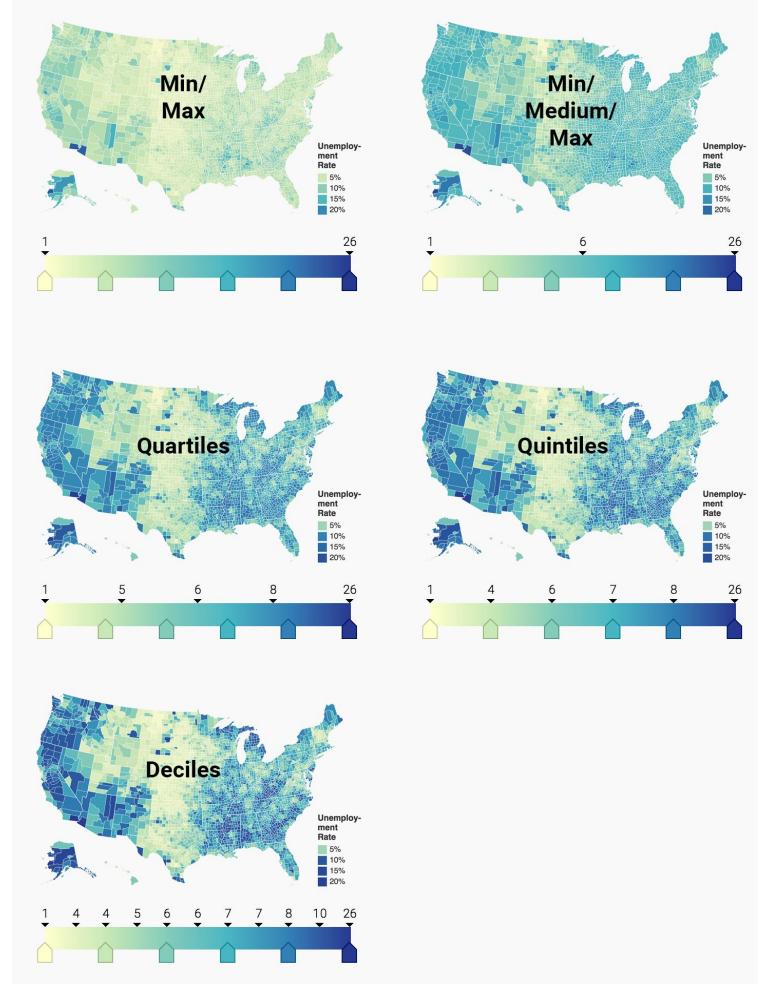
- Differentiate colors is hard so you need to make differences more explicit

Basics Partitions



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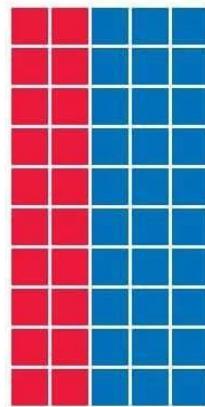
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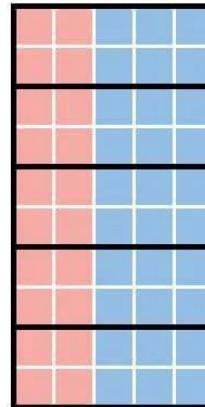
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Statistics + Visual representation

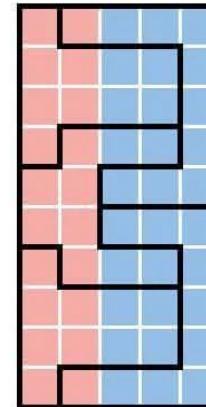
HOW TO STEAL AN ELECTION



50 PRECINCTS
60% BLUE
40% RED



5 DISTRICTS
5 BLUE
0 RED
BLUE WINS



5 DISTRICTS
3 RED
2 BLUE
RED WINS

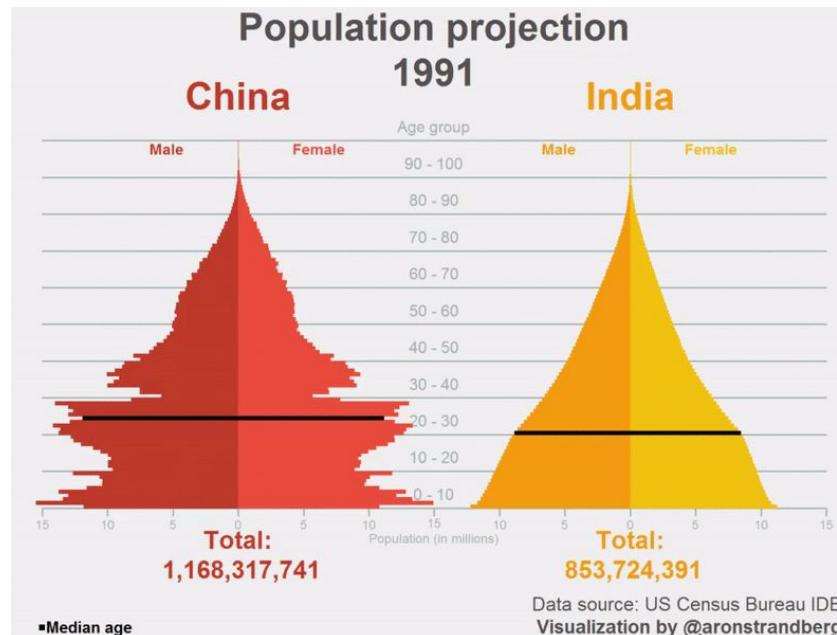
Color is art

No matter what stupid combination you choose there
is always someone who made art with those colors

[Live proof](#)

What's Data visualization?

Statistics + Visual representation



Ask yourself this question

What do I want to achieve with the visualization ?

- See global patterns (big data)
- Explore the data (big data, BI)
- Measure / make decisions (dashboards)
- Show results (scientist paper)
- Understand the data (data scientist)
- Tell a story (newspapers)
- Wow factor (newspapers, marketing, usually pretty shitty)

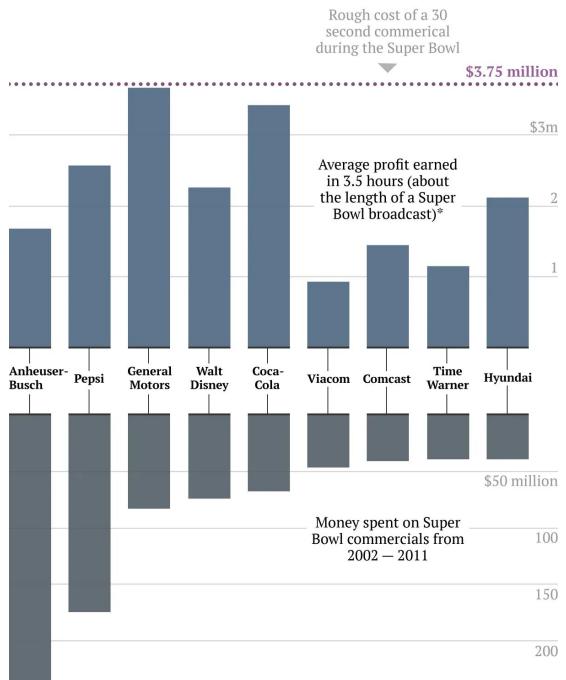
- “Business insights” -> BULLSHIT 99%, excel graphs 99%

03

Examples

Examples

Bar chart



Note: this number is determined by taking the latest fiscal year earnings for each company, dividing by the number of hours in a year, then multiplying by 3.5.

Ritchie King | Quartz

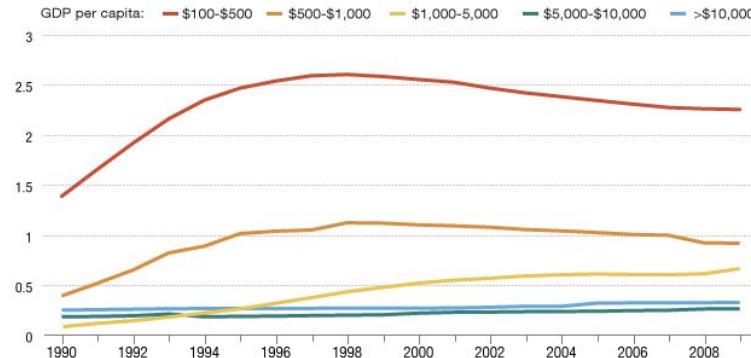
Data: Compiled by Factset, Kantar Media, New York Times

Examples

Line chart

HIV And Wealth

HIV prevalence (percent of the population living with HIV, ages 15 - 49). Average gross domestic product (GDP) per capita from 1990 to 2009 in U.S. dollars.

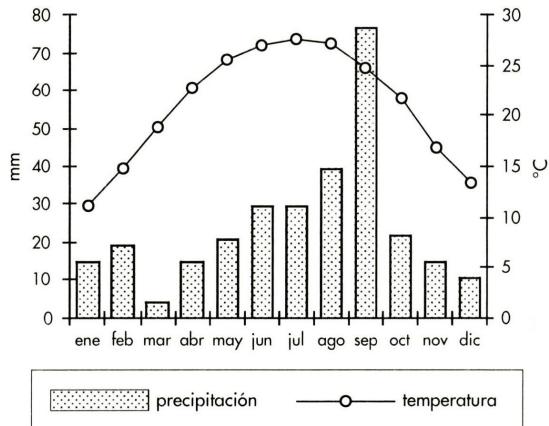


Source: UNAIDS

Credit: Adam Cole, Kevin Urmacher / NPR

Examples

Line + bar chart



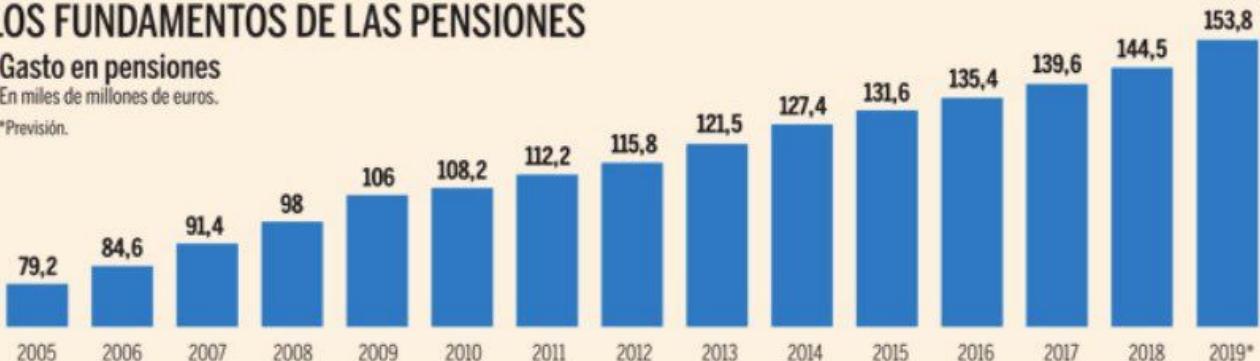
No dejes que la realidad te estropee una buena visualización

LOS FUNDAMENTOS DE LAS PENSIONES

> Gasto en pensiones

En miles de millones de euros.

*Previsión.



> Beneficiarios en la Seguridad Social

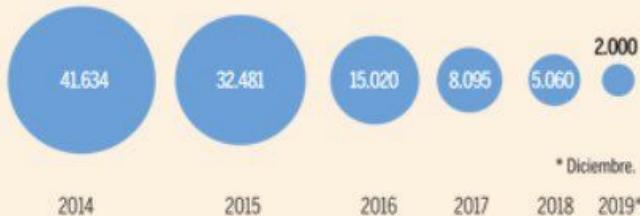
En número.

*Septiembre.



> Fondo de Reserva de la Seguridad Social

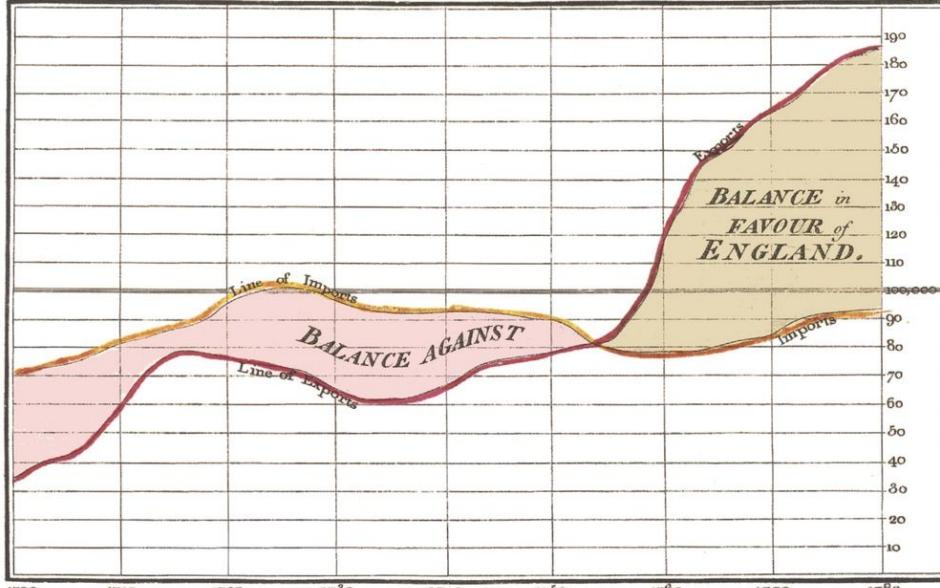
En millones de euros, al cierre de cada ejercicio.



* Diciembre.

Examples Area chart

Exports and Imports to and from DENMARK & NORWAY from 1700 to 1780.

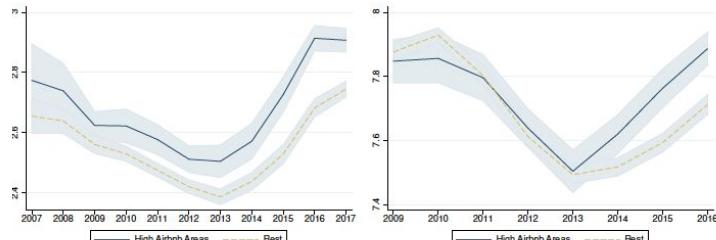


The Bottom line is divided into Years, the Right hand line into £10000 each.
Published as the Act directs, 1st May 1786, by W^m Playfair
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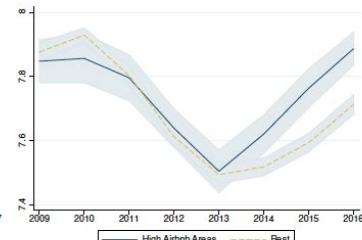
Examples

Area chart + line

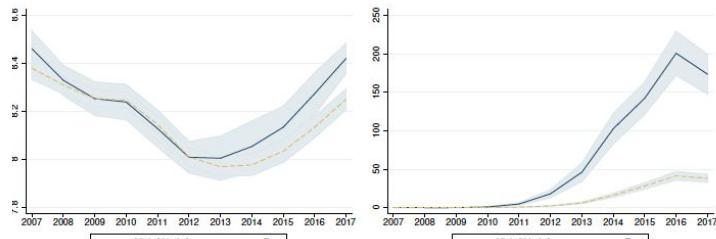
Figure 5: Evolution of rents and prices for *High Airbnb Area* vs. the rest



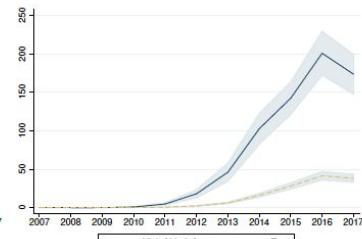
(a) $\ln(\text{Rents})$



(b) $\ln(\text{Prices}) - \text{ITP}$



(c) $\ln(\text{Prices}) - \text{Posted}$

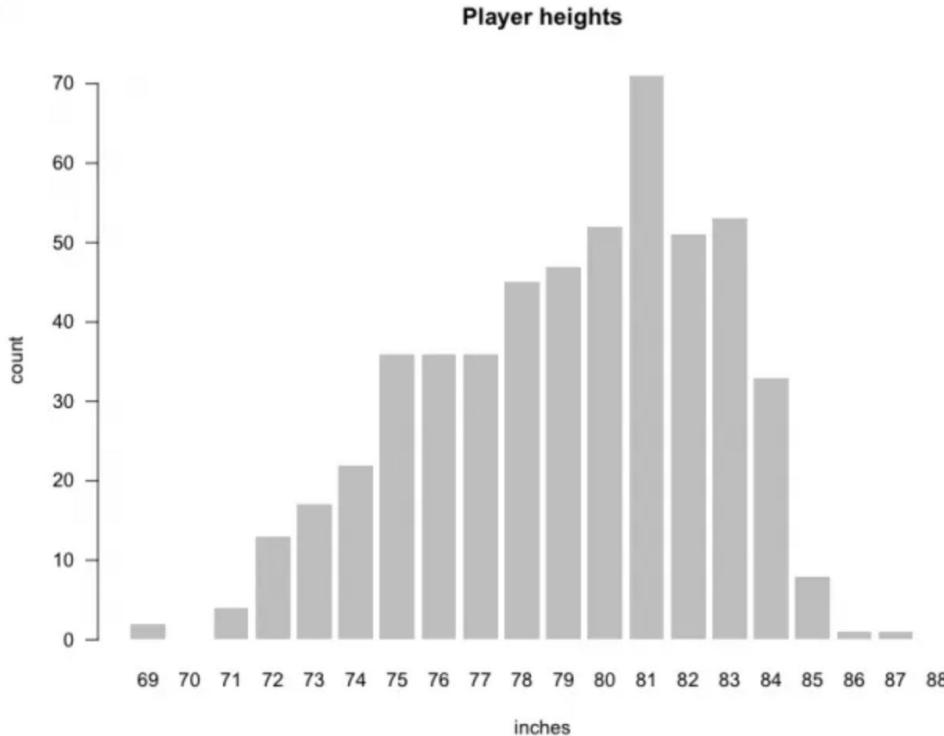


(d) Airbnb Count

otes: Graph plots raw averages and the appropriate confidence intervals. *High Airbnb Area* are those in the top decile of the Airbnb listings distribution in 2016.

Examples

Histogram

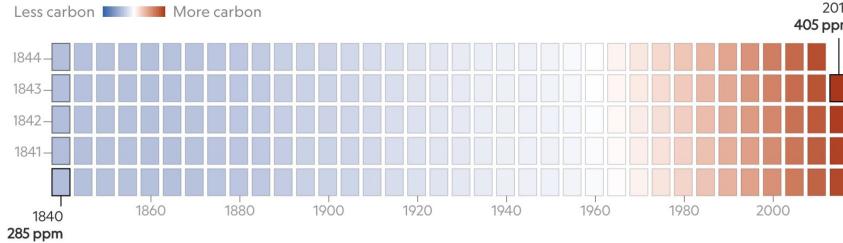


Examples

Heatmap (be careful with heatmaps)

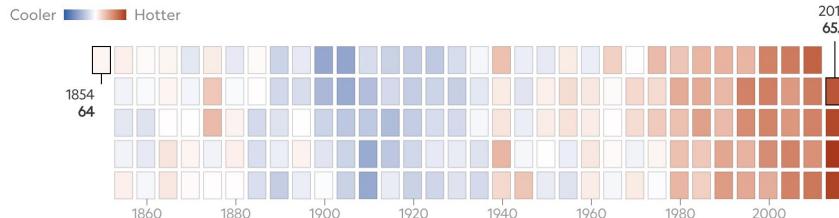
Since the Industrial Revolution, hundreds of billions of tonnes of **carbon have entered our atmosphere.**

Atmospheric carbon compared with a 20th-century average, parts per million



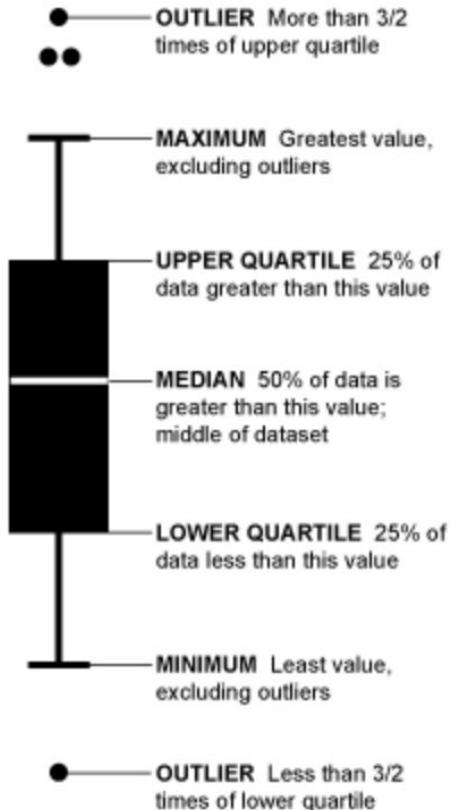
The **surface of the sea** is getting hotter.

Sea-surface temperature compared with a 20th-century average, degrees Fahrenheit



Examples

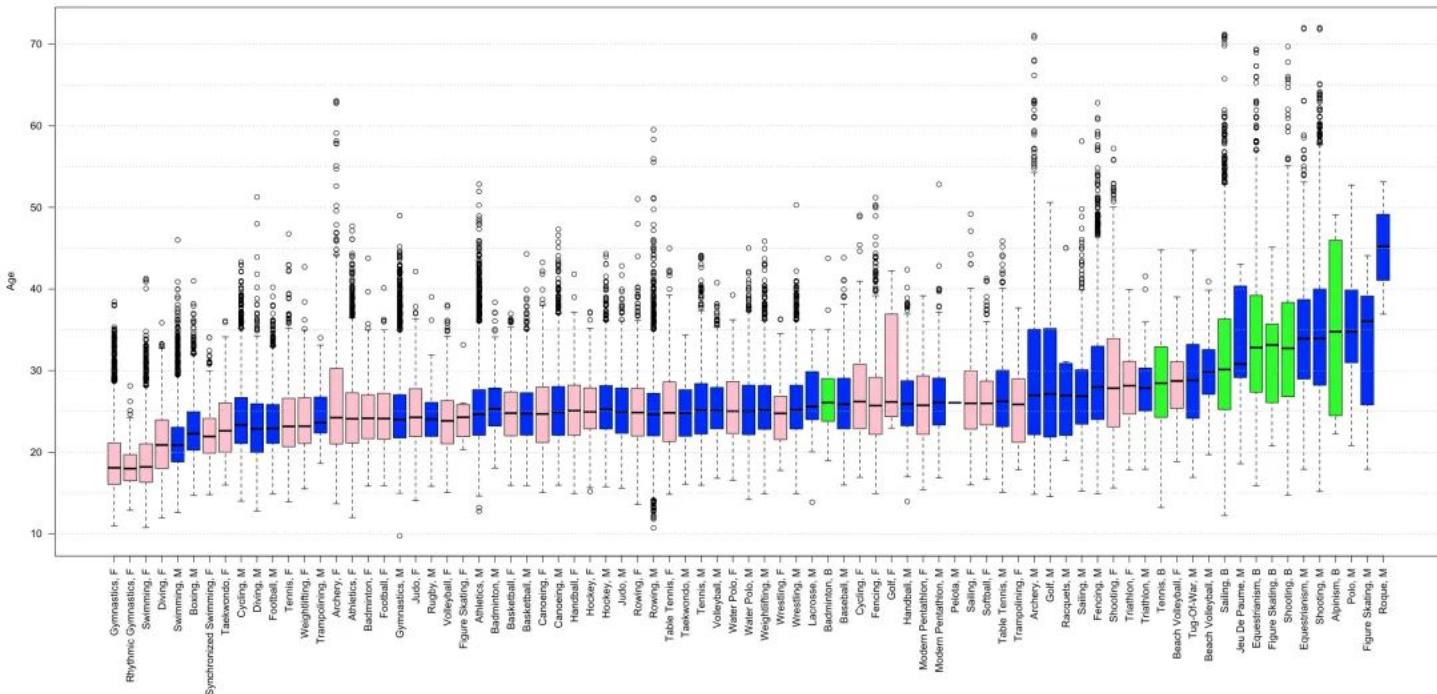
Boxplot



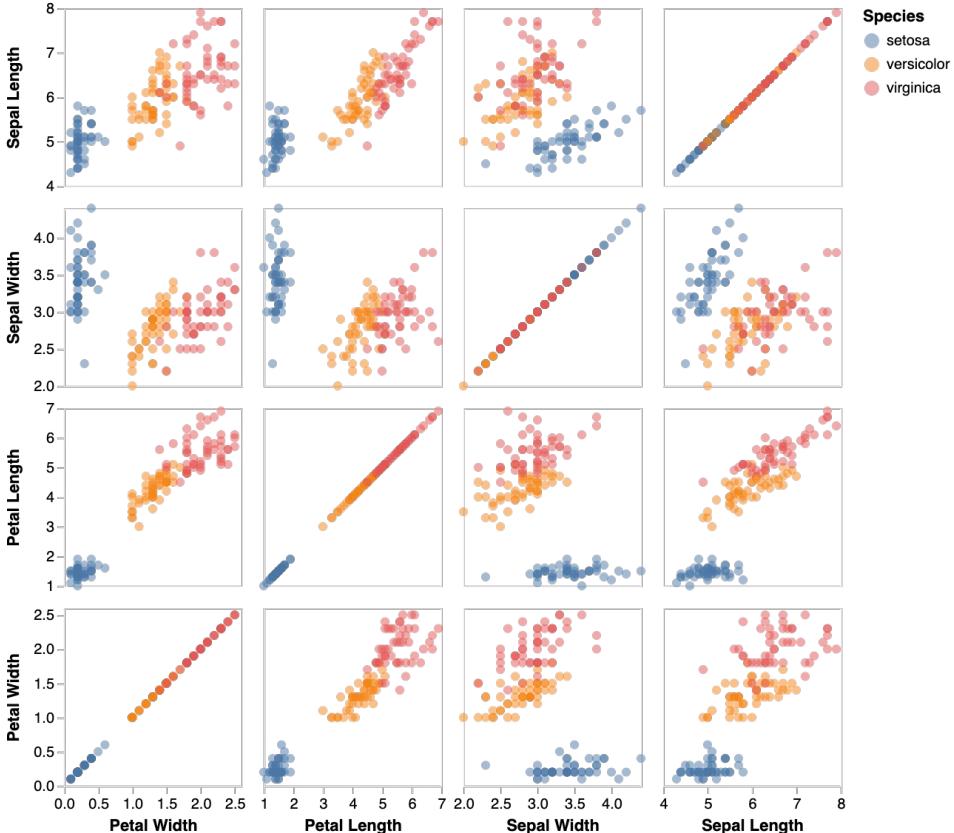
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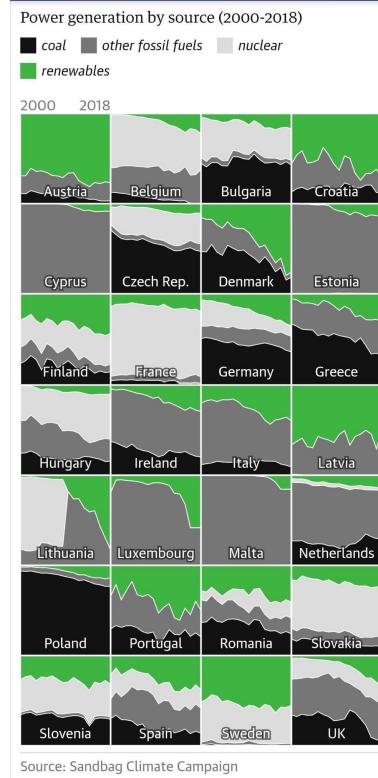
Boxplot

Age distribution of Olympic Athletes by Sport and Gender: All-time
Female = Pink, Male = Blue, Both = Green



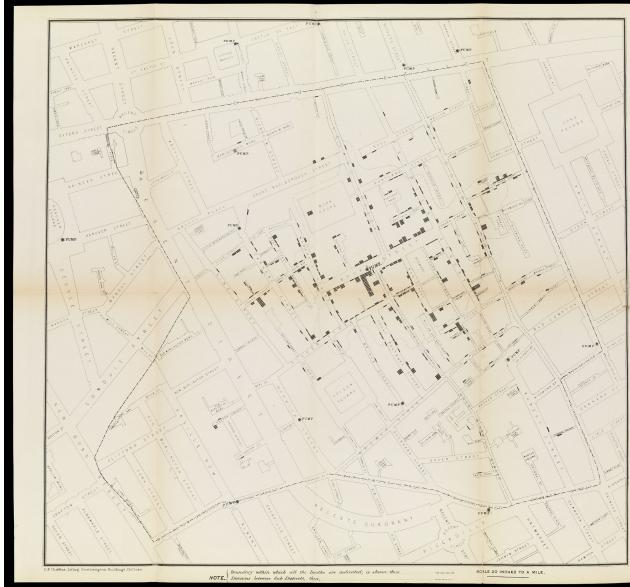
Examples Scatterplot





<https://twitter.com/ghensel/status/1133350342819815426>

Examples Maps





The Facebook Offering: How It Compares

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1 2 3 4 5

Find a company

Company value
In billions of today's dollars
100 —

Facebook

This is the same chart on a logarithmic scale. With this scale, percentage increases and decreases are comparable.

80 —

60 —

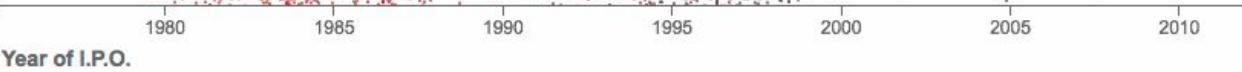
40 —

20 —

10 —

1 —

0.1 —





Examples

More animated maps

<https://flowingdata.com/2015/12/15/a-day-in-the-life-of-americans/>

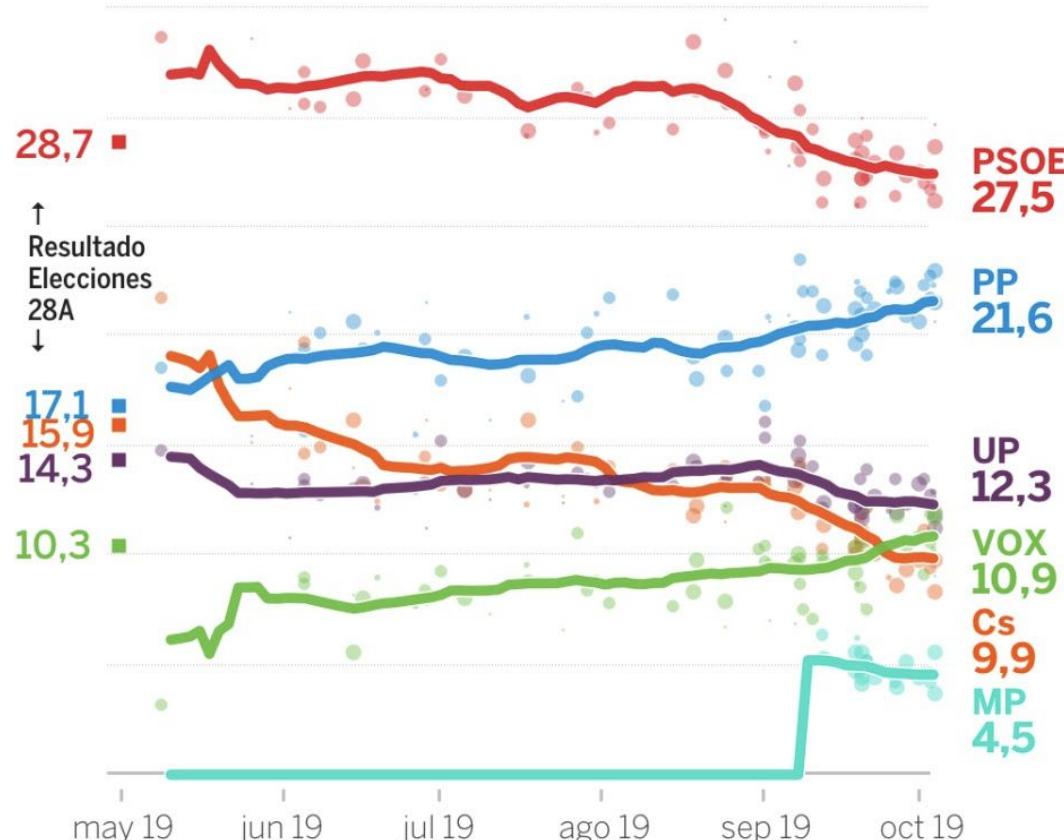
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En realidad puedes hacer lo que quieras

Estimación de voto según cada encuesta, y **promedio** a partir de todas ellas



Fuente: @kikollaneras

Elaboración propia / EL PAÍS

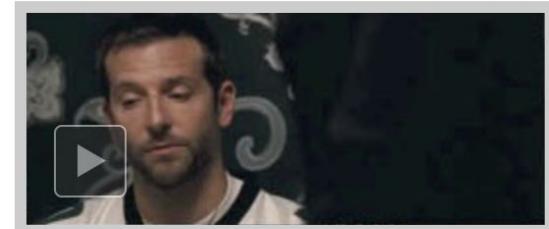
<http://www.evolutionoftheweb.com/>

Dissecting a Trailer: The Parts of the Film That Make the Cut

How scenes from five of the nine best picture nominees were reassembled to promote the films.

Silver Linings Playbook

“Silver Linings Playbook” follows the standard model for trailers, according to [Bill Woolery](#), a trailer specialist in Los Angeles who once worked on trailers for movies like “The Usual Suspects” and “E.T. the Extra-Terrestrial.” While introducing the movie’s story and its characters, the trailer largely follows the order of the film itself.

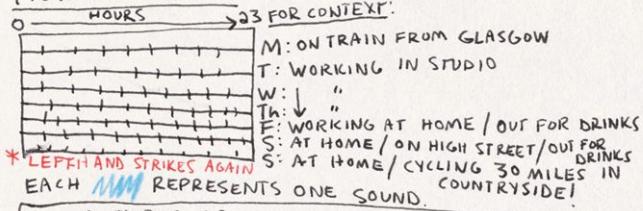


DEAR DATA - WEEK 32

A WEEK OF SOUNDS

ABOUT THE DATA: EVERY HOUR I WAS AWAKE I TRACKED THE SOUNDS I HEARD AROUND ME (GENERALLY ON THE TOP OF THE HOUR, SOMETIMES LATER IF I FORGOT)

HOW TO READ IT:



SOUND TYPES ARE ORGANISED AS FOLLOWS:

- ① 'ORGANIC' SOUNDS (SOUNDS CREATED BY PEOPLE, ANIMALS, OR NATURE)
-
- A SOUND MY HUSBAND MADE: SPEAKING, DRINKING COFFEE, HUMMING, FIXING BIKE, ETC.
-
- PEOPLE'S VOICES
-
- CLANKING BOTTLES + CUTLERY
-
- ROLLING WHEELS: SUITCASES, CARTS, ETC.

-
- PEOPLES' MOVEMENT
- FOOTSTEPS, EATING, PUSHING CHAIRS BACK
- (SOUNDS OF ACTIVITY)
- RUSTLING, SHUFFLING NEW PAPERS

-
- CRASHES, BANGS, + RATTLES
-
- BIRDSONG
-
- WIND IN TREES

- ② 'MACHINE' SOUNDS:
-
- RUNNING WATER
-
- LAPTOP
-
- NEIGHBOURS' LOUD TV + MUSIC

-
- APPLIANCES RUNNING: RADIATOR/BOILER, WASHING MACHINE, POWER TOOL, COFFEE MACHINE, ETC.
-
- RECORDED MUSIC
-
- OUR FILM/TV
-
- MOTOR VEHICLE
-
- THE HUM OF ELECTRICITY
-
- STEEL DRUM BAND
-
- ARCADE GAMES
-
- CHURCH BELLS
-
- A HORSE?

FROM:
S POSAVEC
[REDACTED]
LONDON
[REDACTED] UK

* ALSO INCLUDES SOME RIDICULOUSLY STUPID SOUNDS HE WAS MAKING TO MESS WITH THE DATA

TO:

GIORGIA LUPI

BROOKLYN, NY

USA

BY AIR MAIL
par avion

Royal Mail®



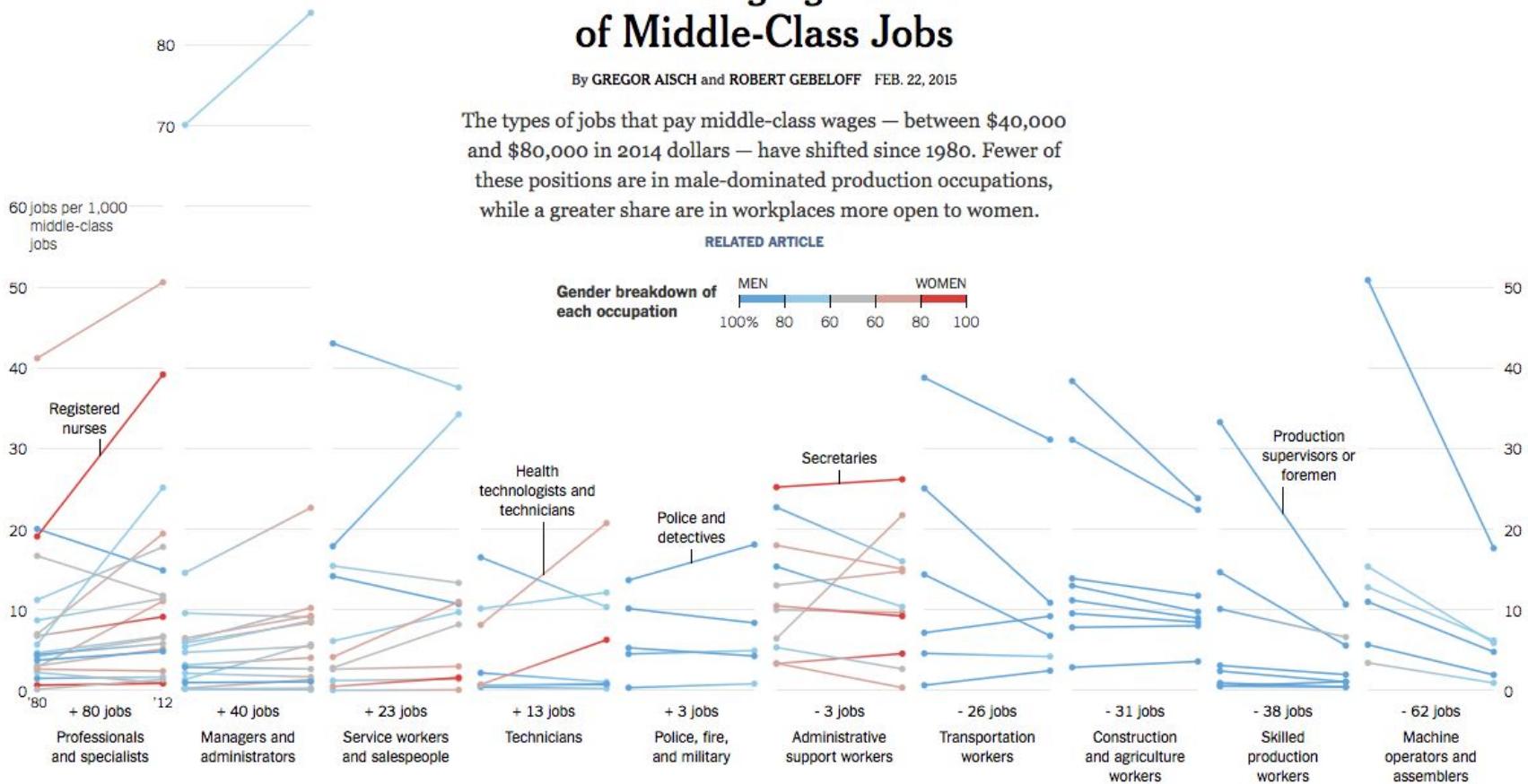
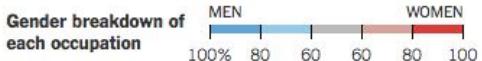


The Changing Nature of Middle-Class Jobs

By GREGOR AISCH and ROBERT GEBELOFF FEB. 22, 2015

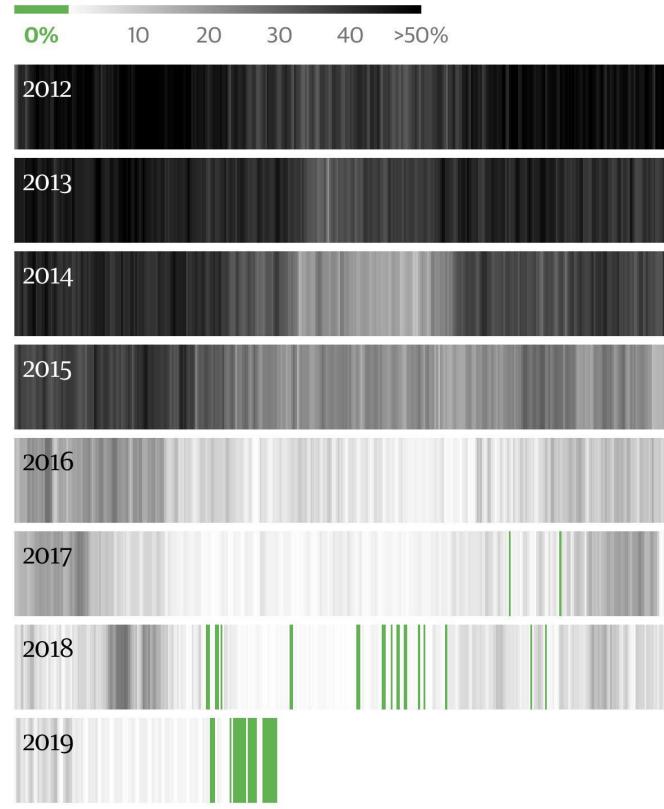
The types of jobs that pay middle-class wages — between \$40,000 and \$80,000 in 2014 dollars — have shifted since 1980. Fewer of these positions are in male-dominated production occupations, while a greater share are in workplaces more open to women.

RELATED ARTICLE

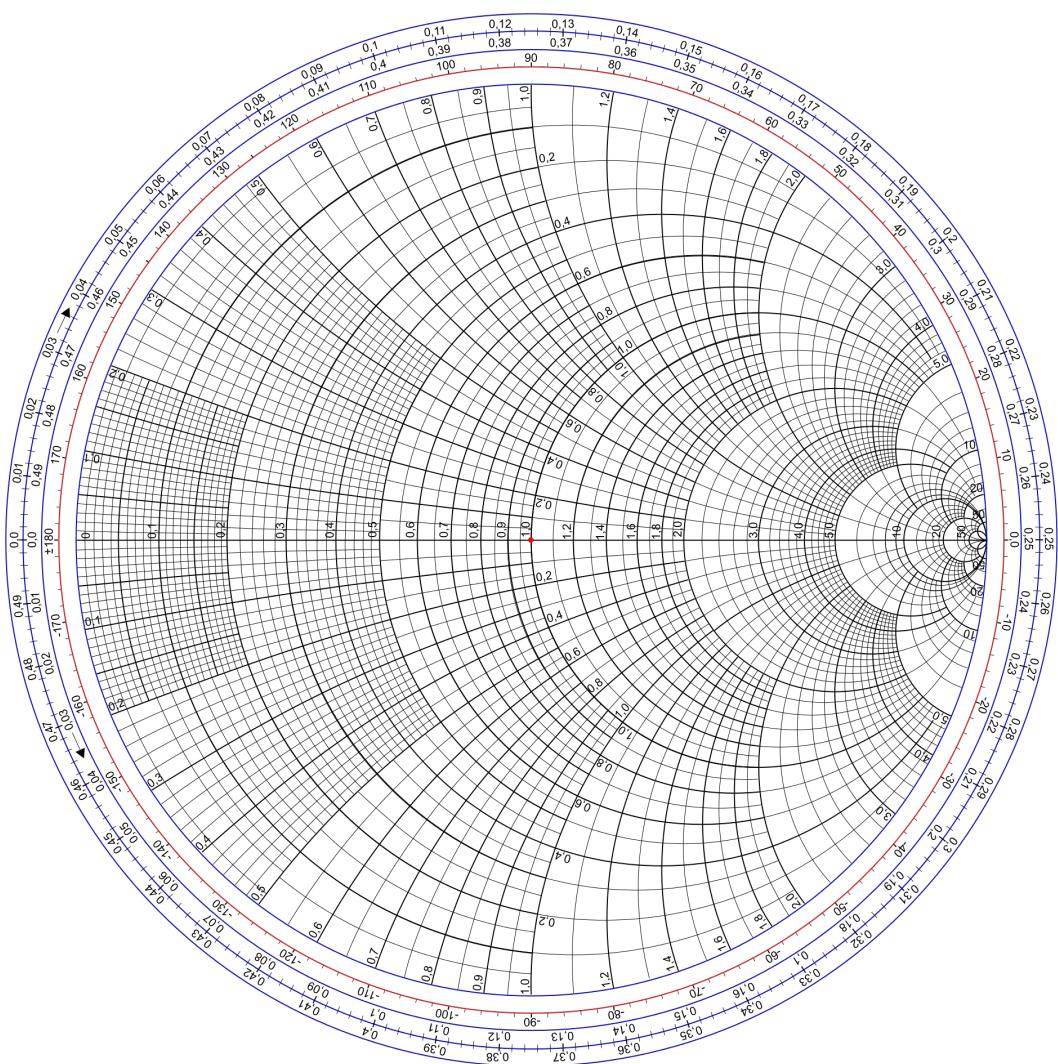


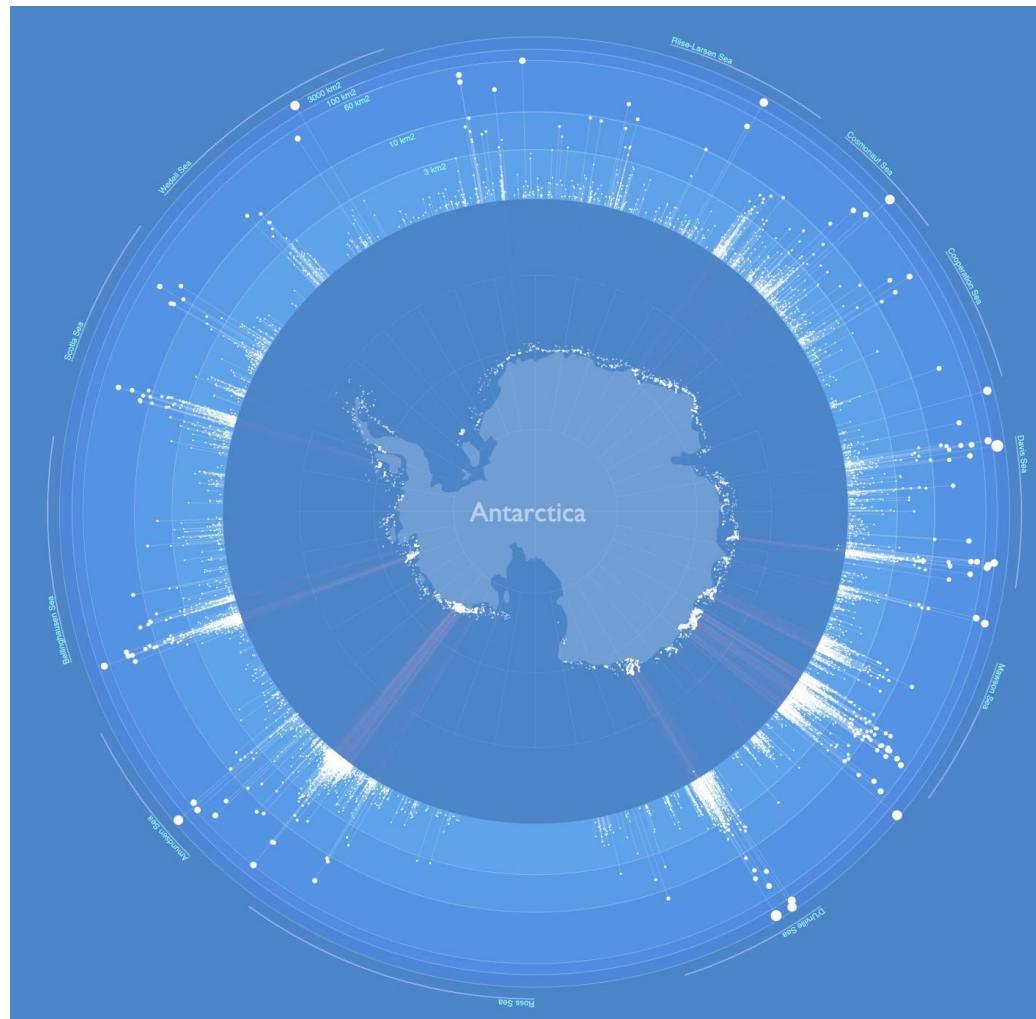
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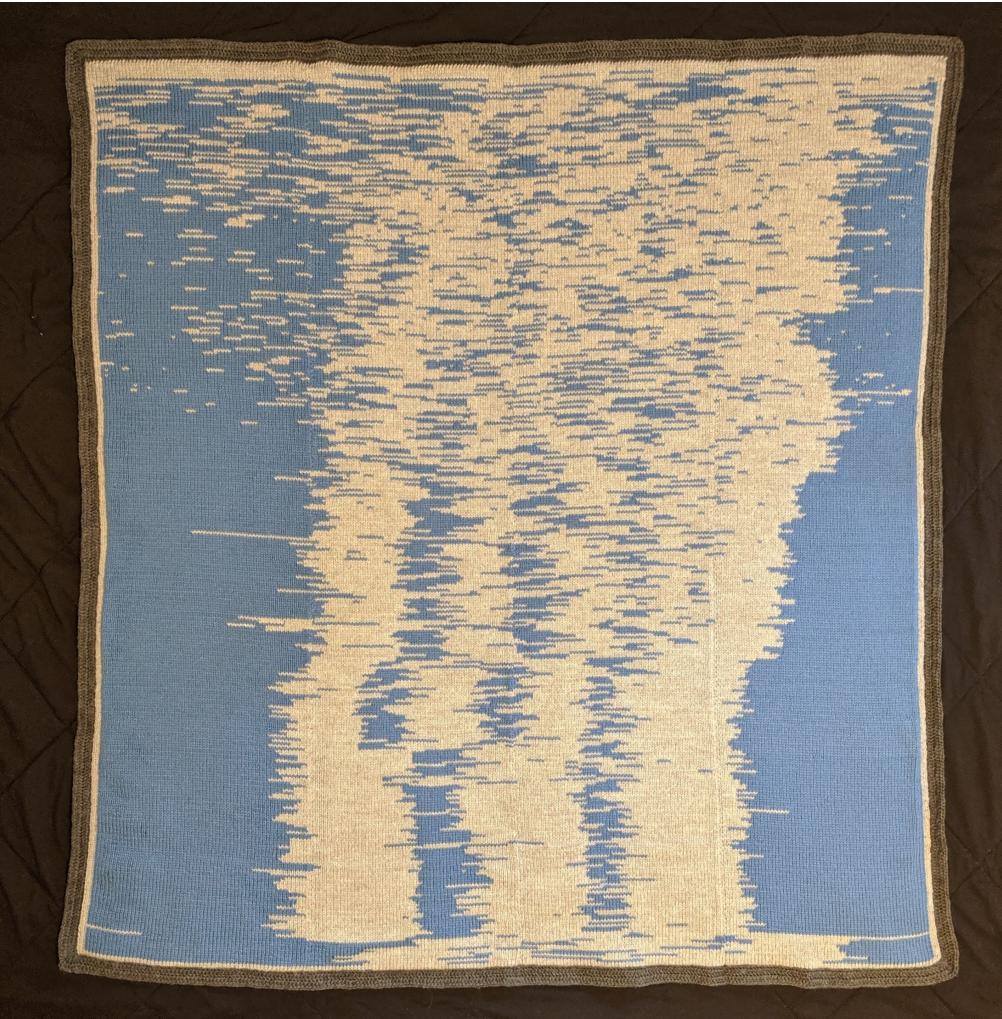
Daily share of Britain's power generated by burning coal



<https://twitter.com/EmmaFidler/status/1132347203031326722>







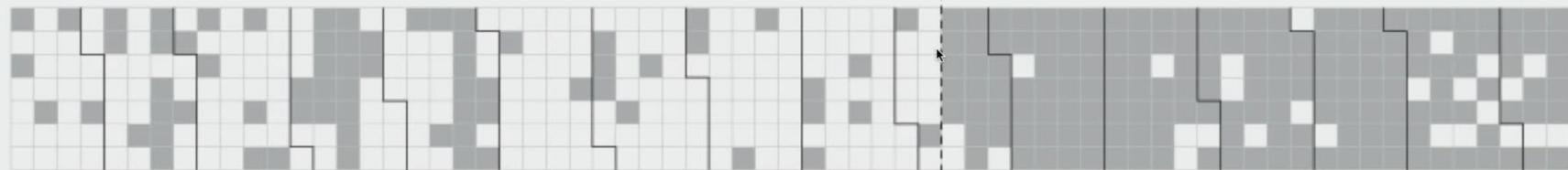
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Picture days

Before my son was born

After



2013

2014

04

Conclusions



Conclusions

Tufte

- Less is usually more (ink-data ratio)
- Graphical excellence consists of complex ideas communicated with clarity, precision, and efficiency
- Keep it proportional! “Lie Factor = *size of effect shown in graphic* divided by *size of effect in data*”
- You don’t have to use a graphic when there isn’t much data — a table is often better.
- Pie charts are useless. Period. DO NOT USE PIE CHARTS.

Conclusions

Santana

- La visualización de datos normalmente sirve para saber qué preguntas hacer, no para resolverlas
- “All non-trivial abstractions, to some degree, are leaky” (Joel)
- No hay una forma buena de visualizar algo
- No te dejes engañar por las pintas de una visualización
- A hacer visualización se aprende haciendo visualizaciones (y copiando y probando)
- No quieres ser este tipo de persona:

“No dejes que la realidad te estropee una buena visualización”

05.

Must reads

Must reads

- Visual display of quantitative information (Tufte)
- @flowingdata
- @MKrzywinski
- @lisacroft
- Dataviz project <https://datavizproject.com>
- <https://nadaesgratis.es> data analysis + vis

06.

HANDS ON! (Santana's way)

Before start

About the visualization

This visualization could be done with a library in a few minutes, we are trying to show how easy is to visualize data with no tools.

It might be too easy for experienced developers. The code is not the important part.

Use case

NO₂ in Madrid

- Lots of public data in a reusable format
- This is a big problem, we are all breathing this thing right now (72 ug/m³ today)

Use case

The process

- Get Data -> Visualize

Use case

The process - the data

- Understand the source data: format, meaning and so on
- Understand the actual data: histograms, max, min...
- Clean the data
- Prepare the data to be visualized
 - Depending on the data size this step is mandatory

Use case

Some [random] data tools

- Cleaning: Trifacta // Open refine // Python // R // ...
- Prepare data: Any database SQL database (Postgres) / CSVKit / Python...
- Understand the data: excel // pandas...
- Serve: S3 // github // datasette // carto // tinybird

Santana's choice:

- Python // clickhouse // vega (tinybird)

Use case

The process - the visualization

- Decide what we want to show
- Go for a visualization type, remember
 - See global patterns
 - Explore the data
 - Measure / make decisions
 - Tell a story
 - Wow factor
- Iterate 100 times

Use case

Some [random] vis tools

- Vega, D3, observable
- Pandas (matplotlib)
- Datastudio/tableau/qlik/....

Santana's choice:

- Vanilla js, d3, pandas



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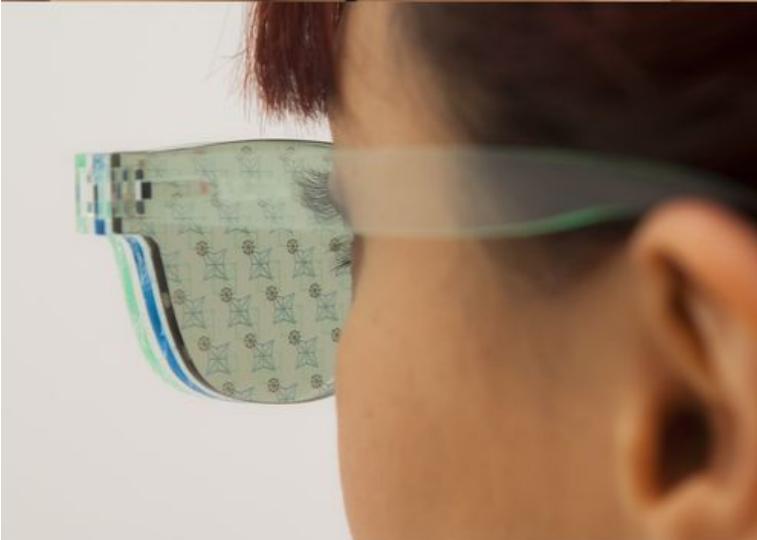
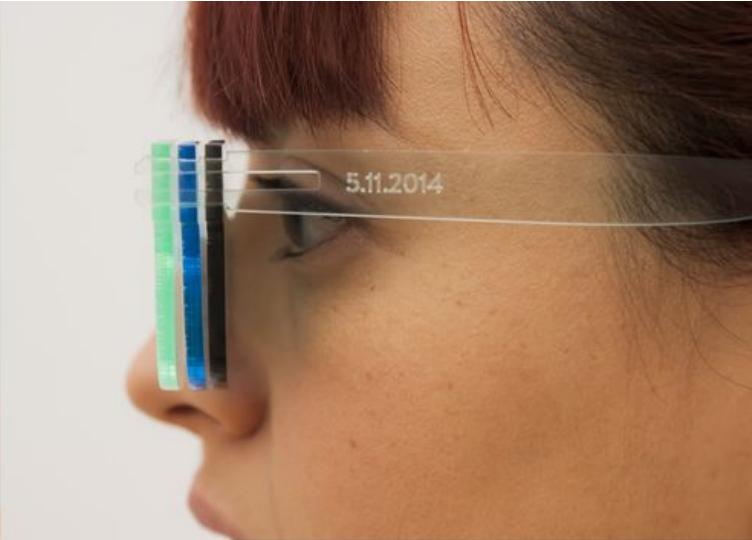
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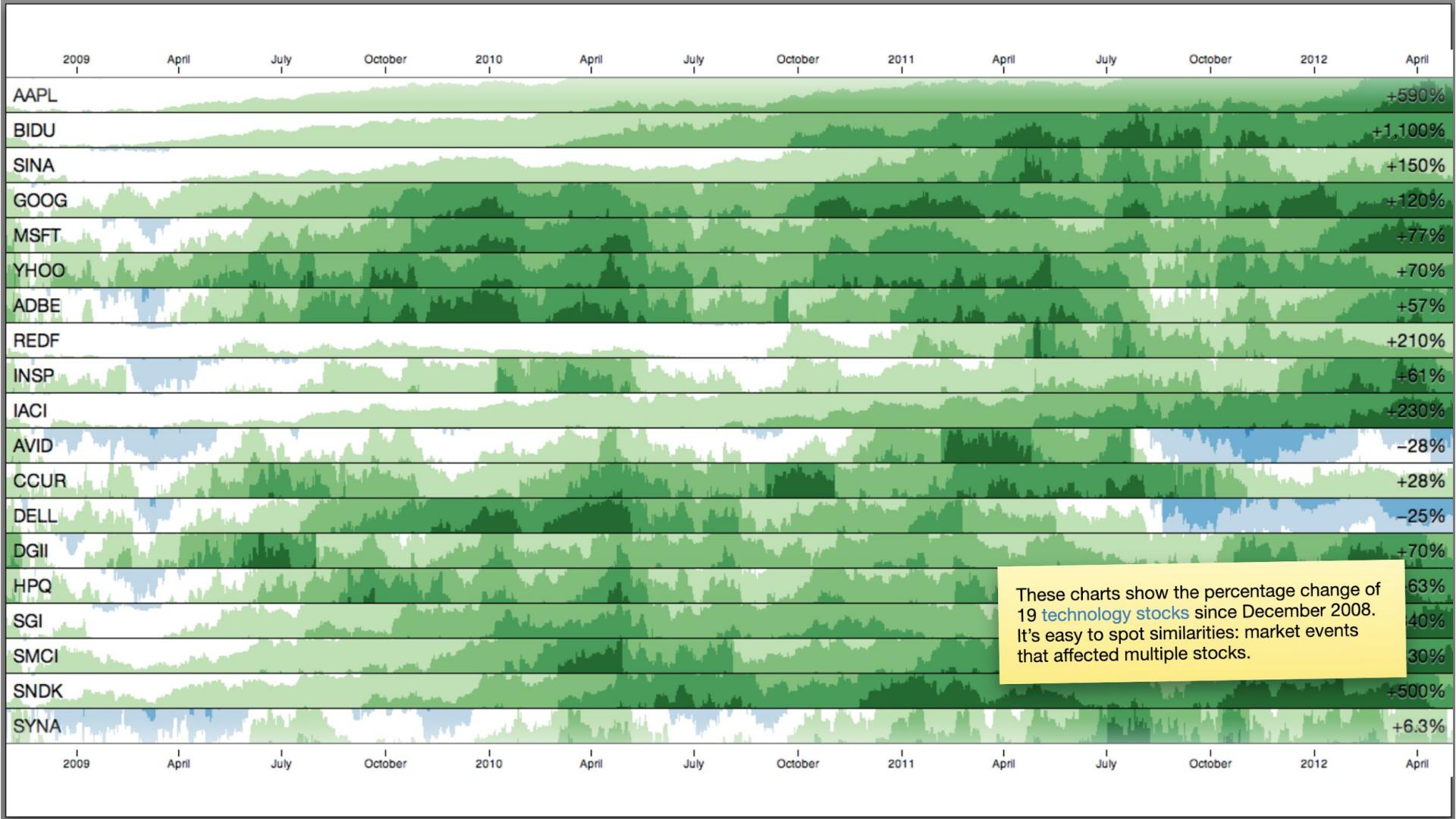
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Gran Vía

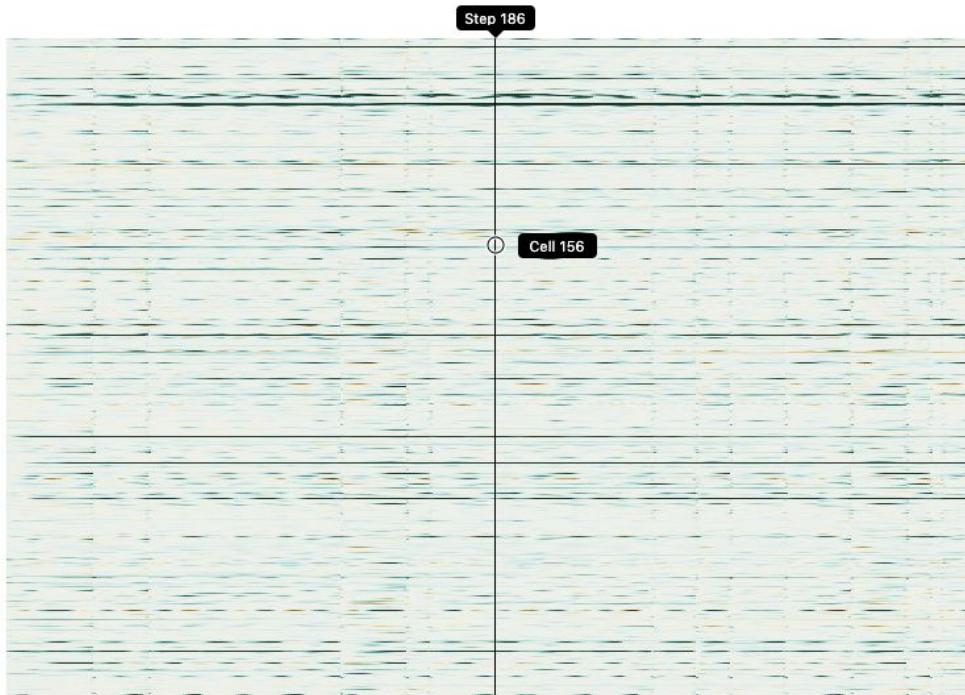
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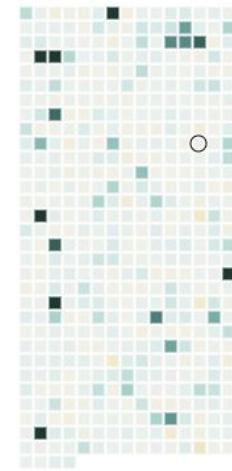
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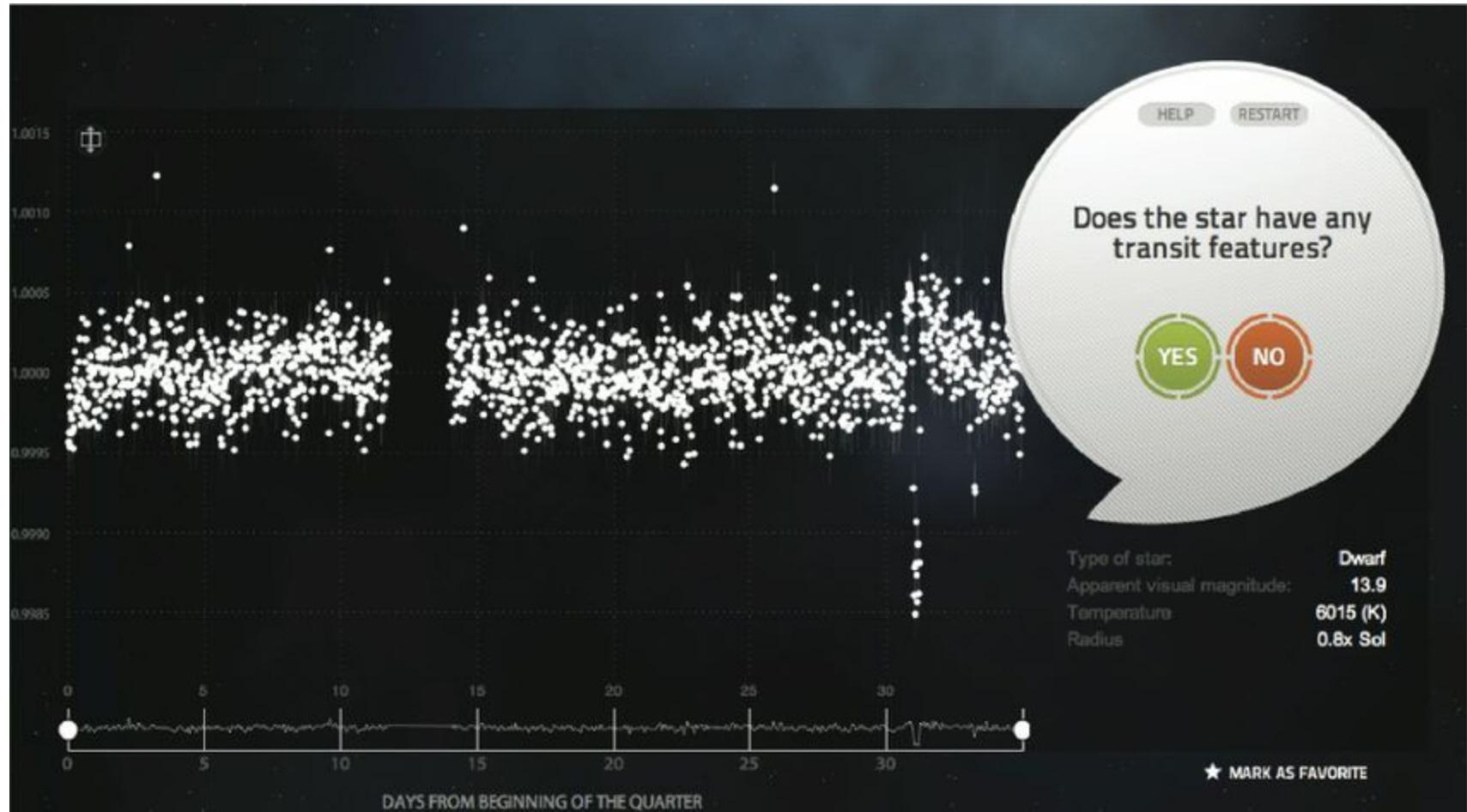


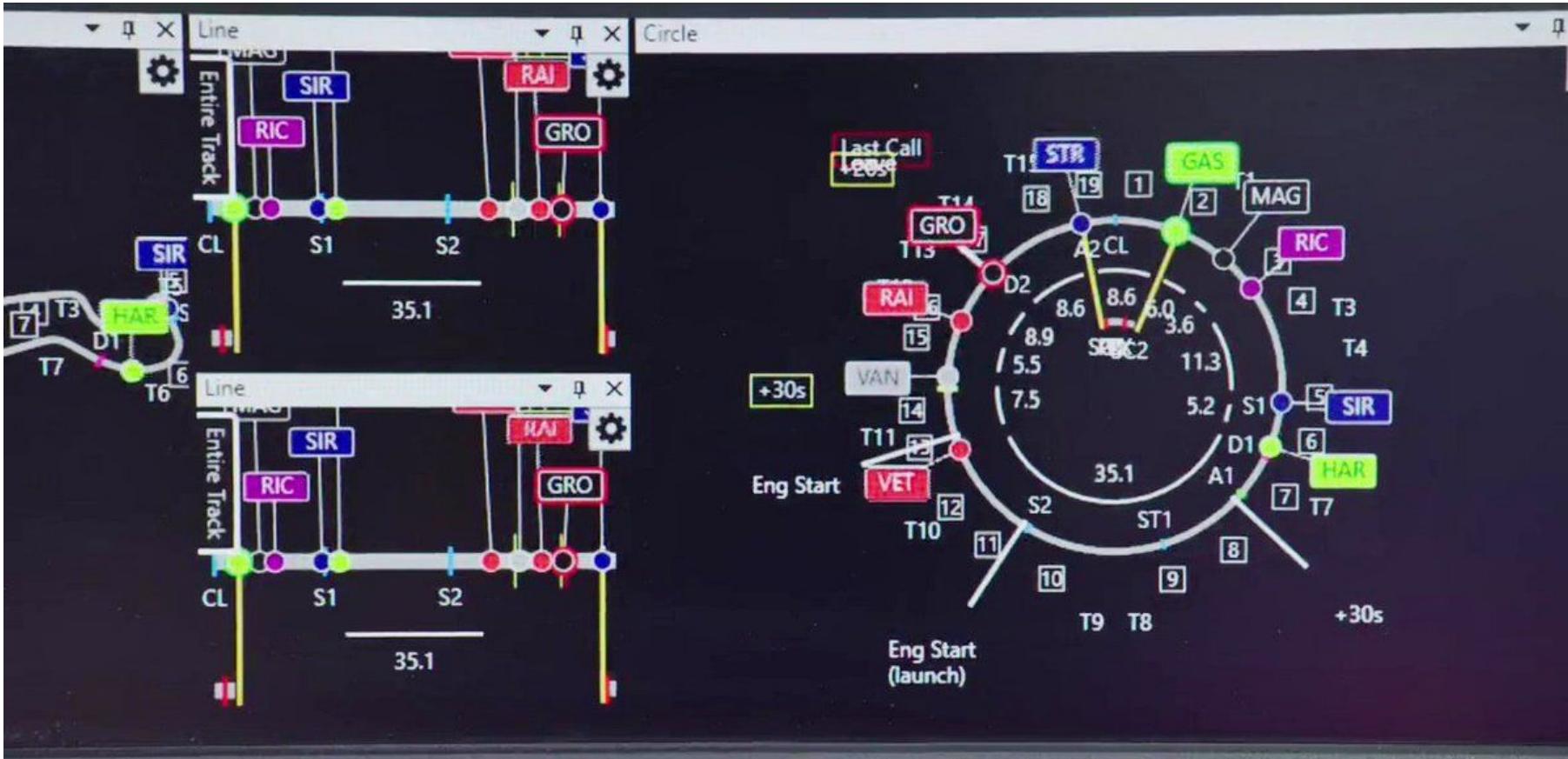
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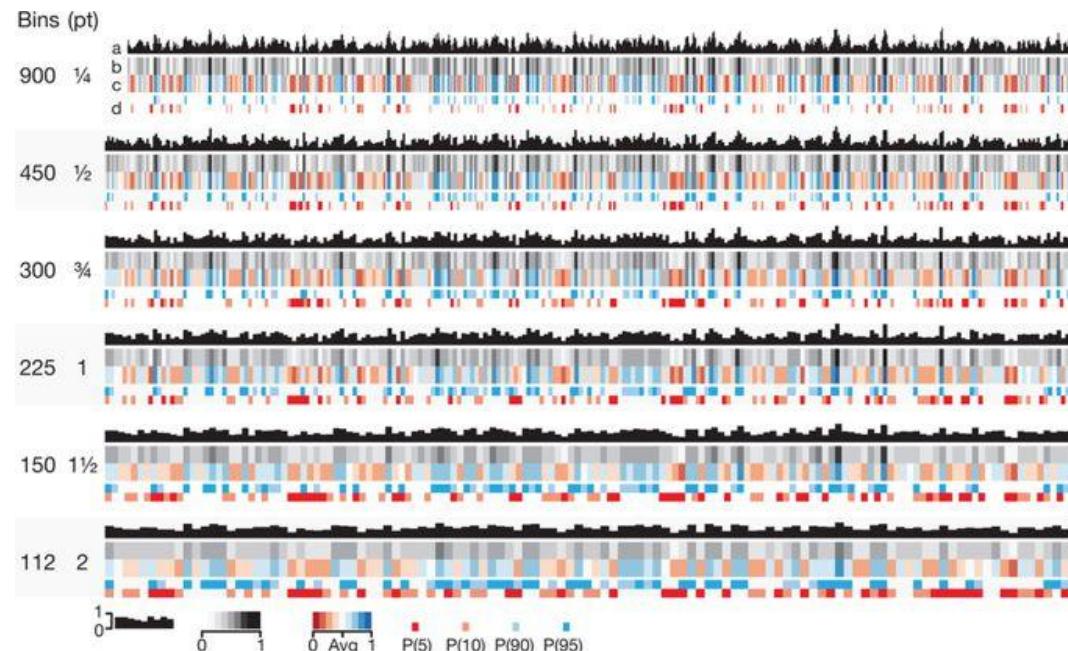




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Use case

What kind of vis?

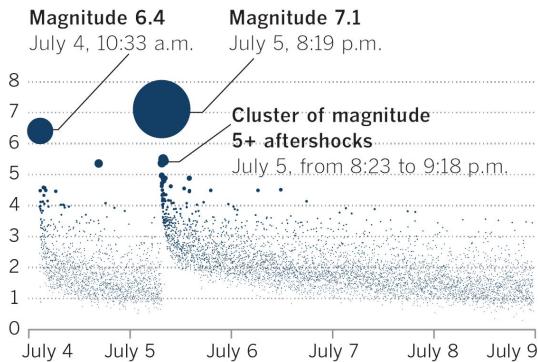


Use case

What kind of vis?

Ridgecrest aftershocks tapering off

Thousands of aftershocks have followed two larger earthquakes near Ridgecrest last week. They've followed a predictable, decreasing pattern.



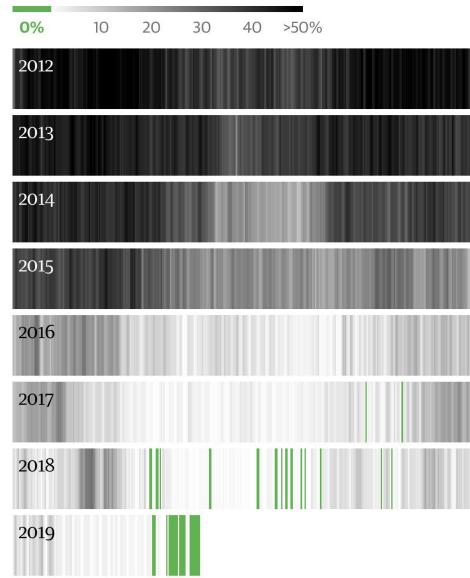
Points show earthquakes between 10 a.m. July 4 and 10 a.m. July 9 near Ridgecrest, Calif. The gap in aftershocks following the magnitude 7.1 is because instruments are unable to detect smaller earthquakes following a main shock.

Sources: U.S. Geological Survey, Caltech, Times Reporting

Chris Keller / Los Angeles Times

Britain is rapidly phasing out coal

Daily share of Britain's power generated by burning coal

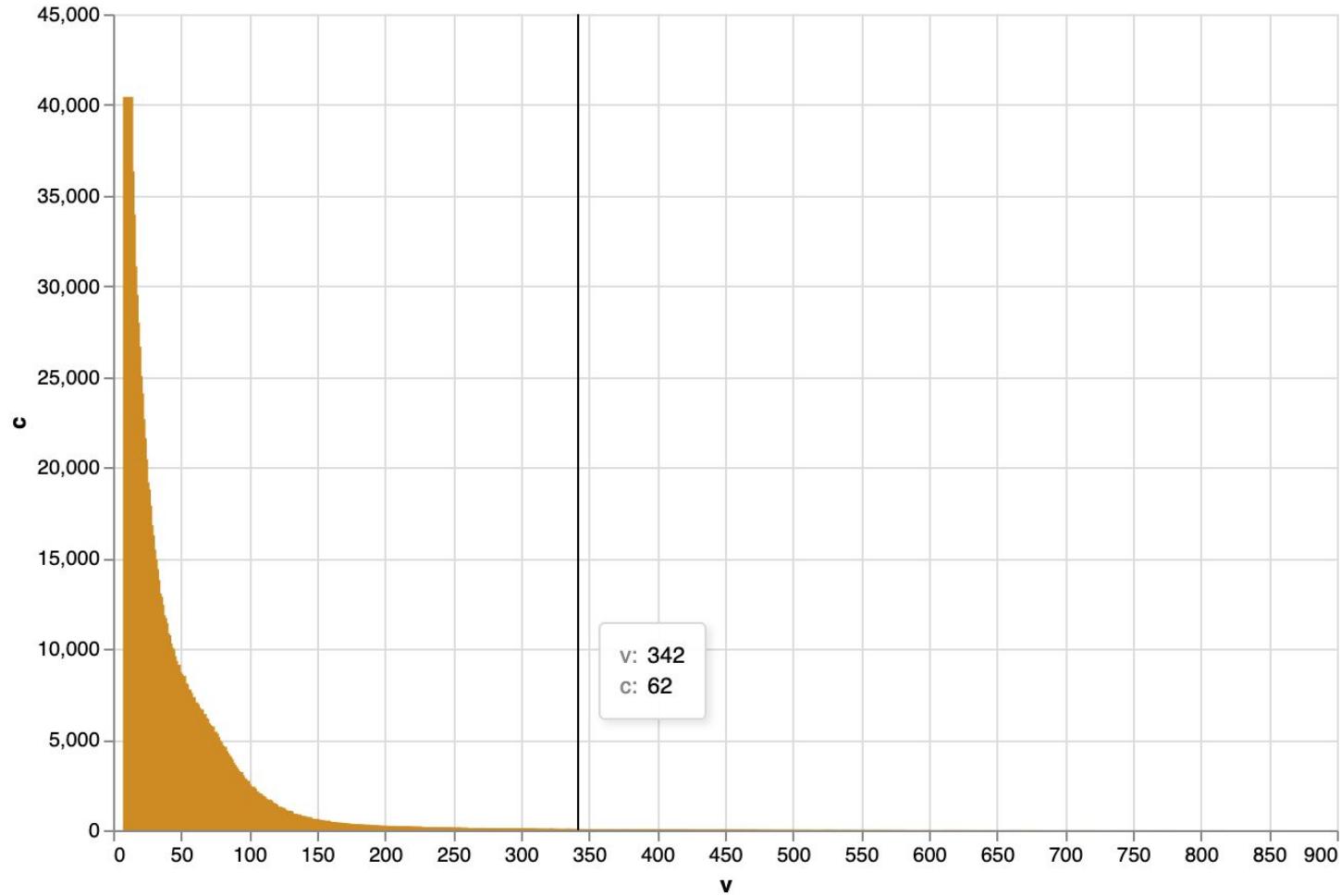


[http://javasantana.com/**data_vis_workshop**/](http://javasantana.com/data_vis_workshop/)

Use case

Steps

- JSON
- Render a square
- Render the data
- Color
- More on colors
- Text



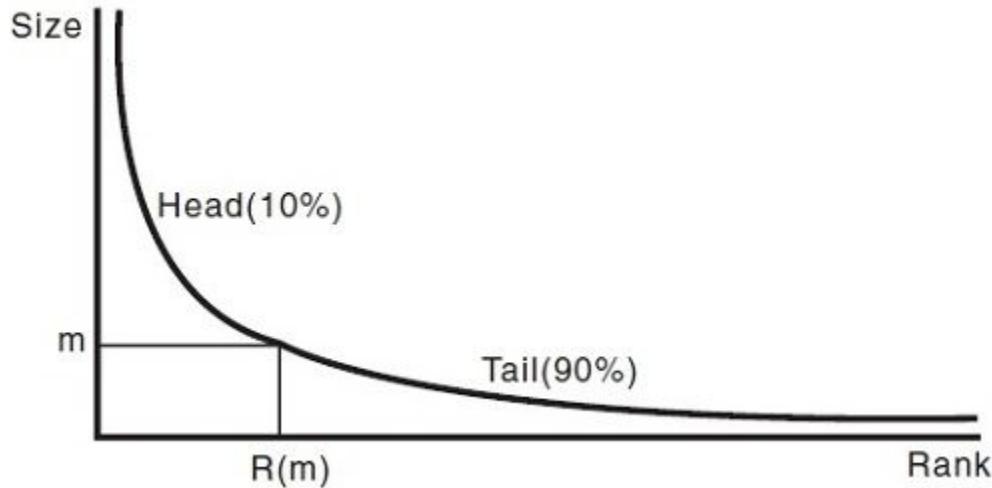
Use case

Protocolo anticontaminación

- Alerta: 180
- Aviso: 200

Use case

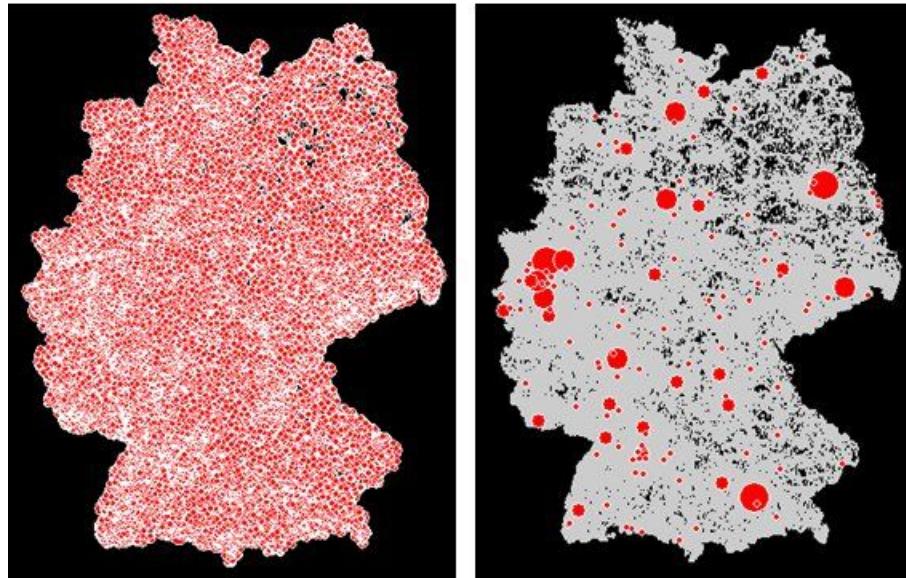
Head/tails



Use case

Head/tails

- [34,65,91,123,169,237,321]



Thanks - QA
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Full hands on

Hands on video from data to vis

In this video I don't work on the same visualization but the process is the same

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=V1nbigUstGA>