

Exploring election results with few questions

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#Loading libraries
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```
library(ggplot2)
```

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## Warning: package 'ggplot2' was built under R version 3.6.3
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```
library(tidyverse)
```

```
## -- Attaching packages ----- tidyverse 1.3.0 --
```

```
## v tibble  3.1.0      v dplyr    1.0.5
## v tidyr   1.1.3      v stringr 1.4.0
## v readr   1.4.0      v forcats 0.5.1
## v purrr   0.3.4
```

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## Warning: package 'tibble' was built under R version 3.6.3
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## Warning: package 'tidyr' was built under R version 3.6.3
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## Warning: package 'readr' was built under R version 3.6.3
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## Warning: package 'purrr' was built under R version 3.6.3
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## Warning: package 'dplyr' was built under R version 3.6.3
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## Warning: package 'forcats' was built under R version 3.6.3
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```
## -- Conflicts ----- tidyverse_conflicts() --
```

```
## x dplyr::filter() masks stats::filter()
```

```
## x dplyr::lag()     masks stats::lag()
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```
library(readr)
```

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library(readxl)
```

```
#Reading and viewing all files from the working directory
```

```
county_facts <- read_csv("county_facts.csv")
```

```
##
## -- Column specification -----
## cols(
##   .default = col_double(),
##   area_name = col_character(),
##   state_abbreviation = col_character()
## )
## i Use 'spec()' for the full column specifications.
```

```
View(county_facts)
```

```
county_facts_dictionary <- read_excel("county_facts_dictionary.xlsx")
View(county_facts_dictionary)

primary_results <- read_csv("primary_results.csv")
```

```
##
## -- Column specification -----
## cols(
##   state = col_character(),
##   state_abbreviation = col_character(),
##   county = col_character(),
##   fips = col_double(),
##   party = col_character(),
##   candidate = col_character(),
##   votes = col_double(),
##   fraction_votes = col_double()
## )
```

```
View(primary_results)
```

#Q.1) Does higher level of education have a subsequent effect on the voting or the number of votes received?

#To answer this question, we need a graph which would compare the percent of degree holders and the votes received.

Creating a new dataset which represents only the percentage of bachelor degree holders in all the states.

```
(degree_holders <- county_facts %>% select(fips,EDU685213) %>% arrange(desc(EDU685213)))
```

```
## # A tibble: 3,195 x 2
##   fips EDU685213
##   <dbl>   <dbl>
## 1 51610    74.4
## 2 51013    71.7
## 3 35028    63.4
## 4 51510    61.4
## 5 24027     60
## 6 36061    58.9
## 7 51059    58.6
## 8  8013    58.3
## 9 51107    57.9
```

```
## 10 24031      57.1
## # ... with 3,185 more rows
```

```
(degree_holders <- degree_holders %>% rename("Percentage_Degree_Holders"=EDU685213 ))
```

```
## # A tibble: 3,195 x 2
##   fips Percentage_Degree_Holders
##   <dbl>           <dbl>
## 1 51610           74.4
## 2 51013           71.7
## 3 35028           63.4
## 4 51510           61.4
## 5 24027           60
## 6 36061           58.9
## 7 51059           58.6
## 8 8013           58.3
## 9 51107           57.9
## 10 24031          57.1
## # ... with 3,185 more rows
```

#Calculating the total votes received by a party in a state and county using fips which serves as a uni

```
(total_votes <- primary_results %>% group_by(fips,party) %>% summarise(votes_total=sum(votes)))
```

'summarise()' has grouped output by 'fips'. You can override using the '.groups' argument.

```
## # A tibble: 7,773 x 3
## # Groups:   fips [4,208]
##   fips party      votes_total
##   <dbl> <chr>         <dbl>
## 1 1001 Democrat      2931
## 2 1001 Republican  11839
## 3 1003 Democrat      7984
## 4 1003 Republican  49100
## 5 1005 Democrat      2789
## 6 1005 Republican   3357
## 7 1007 Democrat     1188
## 8 1007 Republican   3891
## 9 1009 Democrat       959
## 10 1009 Republican  14791
## # ... with 7,763 more rows
```

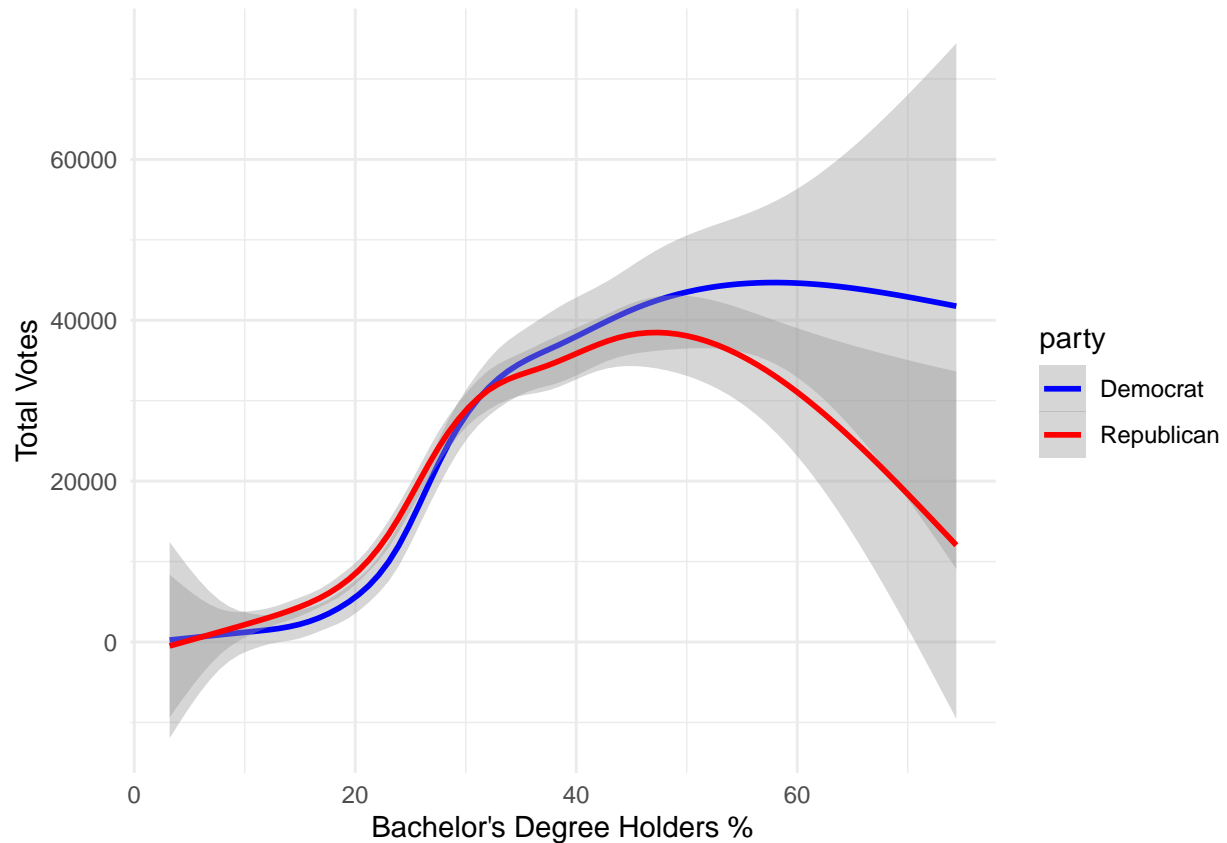
Merging datasets: degree_holders and total_votes by fips

```
merged_dataset <- merge(x = degree_holders ,y= total_votes, by = "fips")
```

#Plotting a graph to compare total votes received and the percentage of population with degree holders.

```
merged_dataset %>% ggplot(aes(x=Percentage_Degree_Holders,y=votes_total,color=party)) + geom_smooth() +
```

```
## 'geom_smooth()' using method = 'gam' and formula 'y ~ s(x, bs = "cs")'
```



#Answer: It can be observed that as the percentage of population with a bachelors degree increases, the
#A possible likely explanation could be that a person with a higher level of education would have views

#Q.2) Compare votes received by a candidate with respect to the hispanic population in that region?

#Gathering percentage of hispanics from the county_facts dataset and storing it in a new dataframe

```
(hispanic_ds <- county_facts %>% select(fips,RHI725214) %>% arrange(desc(RHI725214)))
```

```
## # A tibble: 3,195 x 2
##   fips RHI725214
##   <dbl>   <dbl>
## 1 48427    95.8
## 2 48479    95.2
## 3 48323    95.1
## 4 48505    93.9
## 5 48507     93
## 6 48247    91.6
## 7 48215    91.2
```

```
## 8 48047      89.6
## 9 48061      88.7
## 10 48131     88.5
## # ... with 3,185 more rows
```

#Calculating the total votes received by a candidate

```
(total_votes1 <- primary_results %>% group_by(fips,party,candidate) %>% summarise(votes_total=sum(votes))
```

'summarise()' has grouped output by 'fips', 'party'. You can override using the '.groups' argument.

```
## # A tibble: 24,521 x 4
## # Groups:   fips, party [7,773]
##   fips party candidate votes_total
##   <dbl> <chr>   <chr>         <dbl>
## 1 1001 Democrat Bernie Sanders      544
## 2 1001 Democrat Hillary Clinton    2387
## 3 1001 Republican Ben Carson      1764
## 4 1001 Republican Donald Trump    5387
## 5 1001 Republican John Kasich      421
## 6 1001 Republican Marco Rubio     1785
## 7 1001 Republican Ted Cruz       2482
## 8 1003 Democrat Bernie Sanders    2694
## 9 1003 Democrat Hillary Clinton   5290
## 10 1003 Republican Ben Carson     4221
## # ... with 24,511 more rows
```

#Merging the hispanic_ds with the total_votes datasets.

```
merged_dataset1 <- merge(x = hispanic_ds,y= total_votes1, by = "fips")
```

#Filtering the dataset to have a look of regions where the hispanic community is dominant.

```
merged_dataset1 <- merged_dataset1 %>% filter(RHI725214 > 50) %>% rename("Pop_Hispanic"=RHI725214)
```

#Plotting a graph for total votes received versus total population of hispanic community.

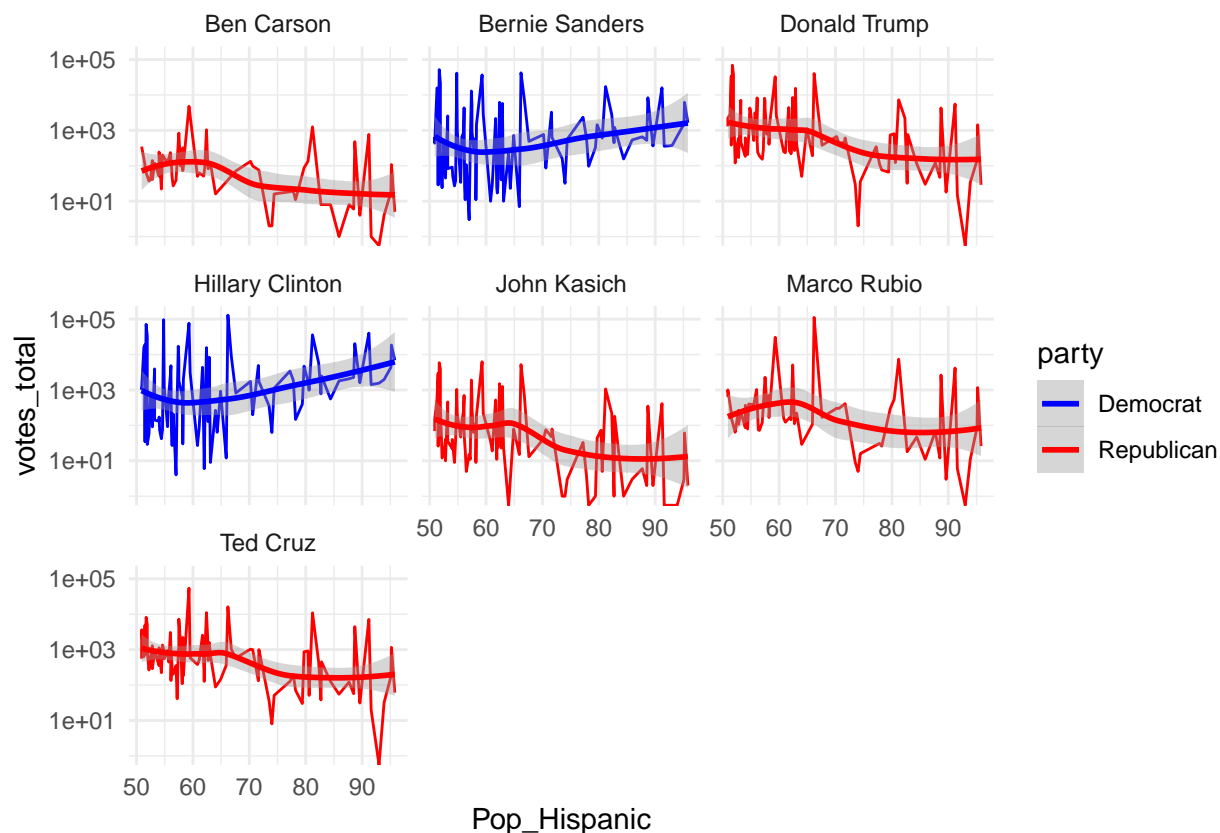
```
merged_dataset1 %>% ggplot(aes(x=Pop_Hispanic,y=votes_total,color=party)) + geom_line() + geom_smooth()
```

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'geom_smooth()' using method = 'loess' and formula 'y ~ x'

Warning: Removed 9 rows containing non-finite values (stat_smooth).



#Answer: So from the graph its clearly evident that as the population of Hispanic community increases, the votes for the Democrat candidates increase.

#It can be interpreted from the graph that the Hispanic community do have a preference for the Democrat candidates.

#Q.3) Does the female population have an inclination towards female candidates?

#To answer this question, we need a graph which would compare the percent of female population and the votes for female candidates.

#Gathering percentage of females from the county_facts dataset and storing it in a new dataframe

```
(female_ds <- county_facts %>% select(fips,SEX255214) %>% arrange(desc(SEX255214)))
```

```
## # A tibble: 3,195 x 2
##   fips SEX255214
##   <dbl>   <dbl>
## 1 13235    56.8
## 2 29117    55.9
## 3 54089    55.2
## 4  1119     55
## 5 51790     55
## 6 51620    54.9
## 7 29007    54.5
## 8 51630    54.5
```

```
## 9 51065      54.3
## 10 56027     54.3
## # ... with 3,185 more rows
```

```
(female_ds <- female_ds %>% rename("Female_pop"=SEX255214))
```

```
## # A tibble: 3,195 x 2
##   fips Female_pop
##   <dbl>      <dbl>
## 1 13235      56.8
## 2 29117      55.9
## 3 54089      55.2
## 4  1119      55
## 5 51790      55
## 6 51620      54.9
## 7 29007      54.5
## 8 51630      54.5
## 9 51065      54.3
## 10 56027     54.3
## # ... with 3,185 more rows
```

```
#Calculating the total votes received by a candidate
```

```
(total_votes2 <- primary_results %>% group_by(fips,party,candidate) %>% summarise(votes_total=sum(votes))
```

```
## 'summarise()' has grouped output by 'fips', 'party'. You can override using the '.groups' argument.
```

```
## # A tibble: 24,521 x 4
## # Groups:   fips, party [7,773]
##   fips party      candidate votes_total
##   <dbl> <chr>      <chr>      <dbl>
## 1 1001 Democrat  Bernie Sanders      544
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## 9 1003 Democrat  Hillary Clinton    5290
## 10 1003 Republican Ben Carson    4221
## # ... with 24,511 more rows
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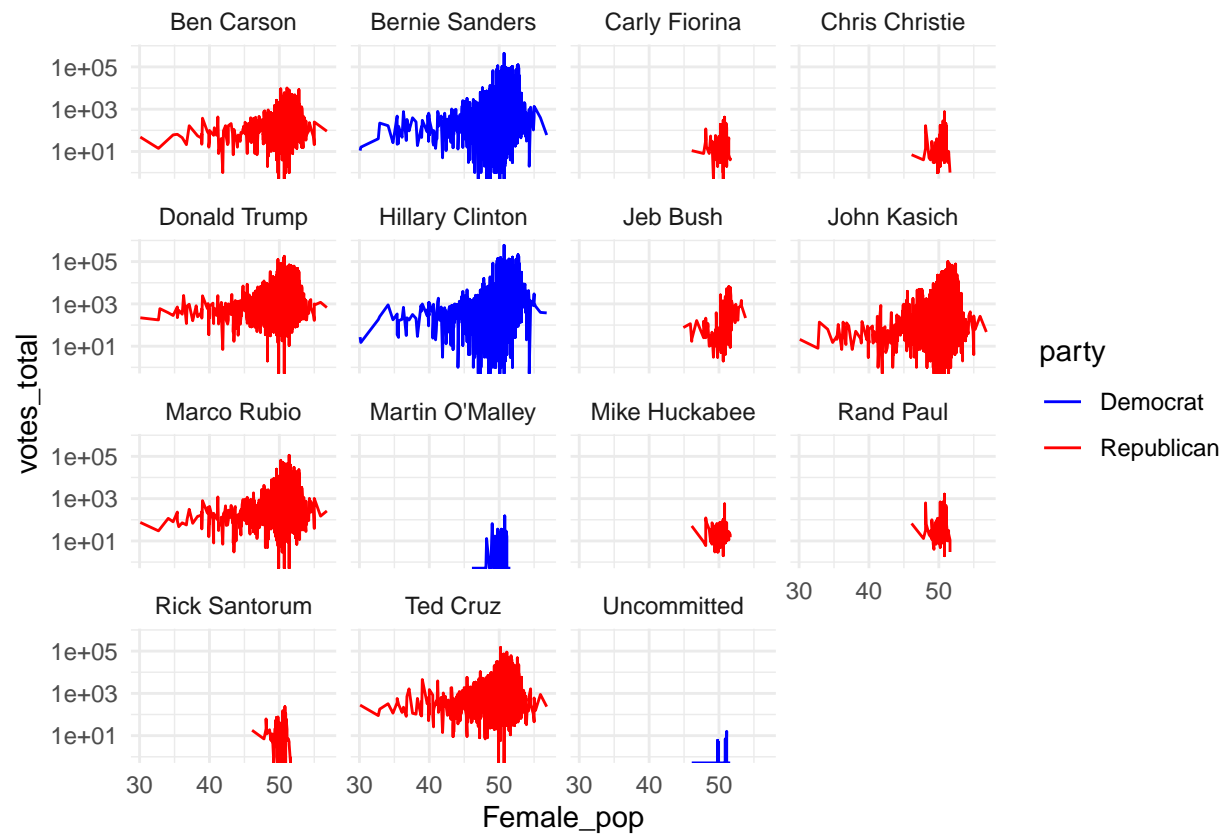
```
#Merging the total votes received by a candidate and the respective female population in that region
```

```
merged_dataset2 <- merge(x = female_ds,y= total_votes2, by = "fips")
```

```
#Facetting based on votes received by each candidate
```

```
merged_dataset2 %>% ggplot(aes(x=Female_pop,y=votes_total,color=party)) + geom_line() + facet_wrap(~candidate)
```

```
## Warning: Transformation introduced infinite values in continuous y-axis
```



#Answer: There is no evident pattern as male candidates have received similar number of votes as female

#The notion that female voters are more likely to vote for a female candidate was not accurate as per t