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***Open-Ended Responses***

1. **III.1** This is a graph from the USA Today back in 2012; I would argue that it is misleading because of the y-axis. According to the principles of data (Tufte), how might the y-axis distort the data?

Chart, bar chart

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| The y-axis does not start at 0 even though they are showing count data. The actual number of people on welfare increases relatively little (1%-2%) each quarter, but the bars look like they gain another 10-20% of their height for each rise. |

1. **III.1** Let’s say I’m trying to convince someone that we should be very concerned about rising temperatures due to climate change so I show the average temperatures in Connecticut. I would argue that the below graph is misleading because of the x-axis. According to the principles of data (Tufte), how might the x-axis distort any claims I’m making about global climate change?

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| Misleading by omission: Of course the average temperature increases from January to July! This is way too small of a timescale and we would expect temperatures to increase seasonally regardless of climate change. We need a comparison of prior years. |

1. **III.5** For each plot, label the **aesthetics** & **geom(s)** that are present. The first two rows are filled out as examples of what I’m looking for. I have mapped the variable to the aesthetics for clarity, but you do not need to do that. Note: Color vs Fill can be had to tell and depends on the geometry; I’ll be lenient with these.

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| Plot | Aesthetics: | Geom(s) |
| 3.3 A ggplot2 Tangent | R for Statistics in EPH | **x** (gestational age)  **y** (birthweight)  **color** (hypertensive / not hypertensive)  **size** (maternal age)  **shape** (sex) | **geom\_point()**  **geom\_smooth()** |
| Visualizing data with R/ggplot2 - One more time - the Node | **x** (time)  **y** (average value)  **color** (id: Cdc42, Rac, Rho) | **geom\_line()**  **geom\_smooth()** |
| ggplot2 extensions | **x** (hwy)  **y** (class)  **fill** (cyl) | **geom\_boxplot()** |
| How to Make Boxplot in R with ggplot2? - Python and R Tips | **x** (continent)  **y** (life expectancy)  **fill** (continent) | **geom\_boxplot()**  **geom\_jitter()** |
|  | **x** (weight)  (y-axis is actually auto-counted and left blank)  **color** (sex) | **geom\_histogram()**  **geom\_abline()** |
|  | **x** (dose)  **y** (length?)  **fill** (supplement?) | **geom\_bar()** |

1. **III.6** Name an example in your own discipline where you would ever find the utility of using facet\_wrap() or facet\_grid() to produce multiple plots that are very similar, but change something each time.

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| If I need to produce an identical plot of variable(s) broken down by a certain demographic, I will facet them. |

1. **III.8** What is the primary advantage to exporting your plot with ggsave() or png(), jpg(), pdf(), etc. versus just copying/pasting or grabbing a screen shot from the previewer pane in RStudio?

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| Higher resolution, custom size |

***Coding Section***

To complete this section, start a new script file with the following layout:

# YOUR NAME

# Assignment 3 Data Visualizations

# #1 ---------------- (new section: CTRL + SHIFT + R)

here’s my code # with adequate commenting

# #2 ---------------- (new section: CTRL + SHIFT + R)

here’s my code # with adequate commenting

Make the following plots to the best of your ability (may not be exactly the same if using jittering, default colors, text, titles, exact theme, etc, but should tell the same story). Note: you might have to manipulate the data before you can make the plot.

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1. The red dots are the average for each discipline (you made this graph above).

Chart, box and whisker chart

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1. For the final plot:
   1. Take your code from the previous plot.
   2. Clean up the plot by:
      1. Removing all the outlier points (all the individual points outside of the main boxplot; see ??geom\_boxplot() and all of the arguments that start with “outlier.”)
      2. Change the y-axis limits for a maximum of 60.
      3. After changes, it should look like this:

Chart

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* 1. Write code that will export it as a .pdf that is 2 inches tall, 6 inches wide.