



VISUALIZING SOCIETY MAKING DATA GRAPHICS

Bikes & Pencils

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Data : Records (rows)
an area at a time of day AGGREGATED

Data : Channels (columns)

pcArea - Postcode Area category

Number of stations number
time of Day number
avgBikes - Average Bikes number
avgDocks - Average Docks number

pcArea	stations	time	weekday		weekend	
			avgBikes	avgDocks	avgBikes	avgDocks
E	107	07:00	18.2	10.2	15.9	12.4
E	107	10:00	12.4	15.9	17.2	11.2
E	107	15:00	12.5	15.8	18.1	10.3
E	107	18:00	12.9	15.5	15.2	13.2
EC	62	07:00	6.5	5.5	7.3	15.6
EC	62	10:00	17.8	7.6	8.0	17.4
EC	62	15:00	16.8	8.6	7.9	17.6
EC	62	18:00	18.8	6.7	12.5	13.0
N	54	07:00	15.7	9.9	15.6	10.1
N	54	10:00	9.7	15.8	14.7	11.0
N	54	15:00	12.7	12.5	12.5	13.1
N	54	18:00	12.8	12.7	12.2	12.6
NW	41	07:00	18.7	73.0	18.4	7.6
NW	41	10:00	10.2	15.8	18.7	7.3
NW	41	15:00	11.1	14.9	12.2	13.8
NW	41	18:00	12.7	13.3	9.9	16.1
SE	64	07:00	17.5	8.8	19.4	6.9
SE	64	10:00	13.7	15.8	15.8	8.0
SE	64	15:00	13.7	12.6	17.1	9.2
SE	64	18:00	18.1	8.2	17.9	8.4
SW	113	07:00	11.7	11.8	11.9	11.7
SW	113	10:00	12.9	10.6	11.8	11.7
SW	113	15:00	12.9	10.6	11.4	12.2
SW	113	18:00	11.7	11.3	11.3	12.3
W	120	07:00	8.4	14.7	8.9	14.2
W	120	10:00	14.2	8.9	9.1	14.0
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SKETCH! OBJECTIVES

1. Show the data ... or aspects of the data
 - > apply a visualization language
 - > represent variation in quantities and qualities
2. Compare different pieces of data ... what looks interesting?
3. Explore and hypothesize ... what is going on?
4. Annotate ... use words and numbers (and graphics) to describe

SKETCH! PROCESS

1. Find a **FRIEND** – work in groups of two!
2. Find a **TABLE** – use the whole classroom
3. Take an **A3** sheet each – two pieces of paper per group
4. Take some coloured **PENCILS** – sharpen them return them later
5. Work out which records & **DATA channels** to show 5 mins - 11:10
6. Sketch / draft your **LAYOUT** & encodings 10 mins - 11:25
7. Sketch your data **GRAPHIC** on the back of the A3 30 mins - 11:55

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STRATEGIES

EXPLORE ...

what is interesting?

SELECT ...

a data subset?

COMMUNICATE ...

trends?

differences?

COMPARE ...

times?

days?

types of days?

stations?

areas / regions?