

# Spatial Data in R

## Working with simple features

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# Outline

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# Setup

- Download and open the worksheet *simple\_features.Rmd*.
- Install packages

```
install.packages(c("dplyr", "here", "spData", "sf", "viridis"))

install.packages("spDataLarge",
                 repos = "https://nowosad.github.io/drat/",
                 type = "source")
```

- Attach packages

```
library(spData)
library(spDataLarge)
library(sf)
library(viridis)
library(dplyr)
```

# Why **Sf**?

1. It's **fast** processing,
2. It's **pretty** maps,
3. It's **rectangular** data,
4. It's **tidy** design, and
5. It's **consistent** syntax, just look for the **st** prefix



# Anatomy of a Simple Feature

```
world
```

```
## Simple feature collection with 177 features and 5 fields
## Geometry type: MULTIPOLYGON
## Dimension: XY
## Bounding box: xmin: -180 ymin: -90 xmax: 180 ymax: 83.64513
## Geodetic CRS: WGS 84
## # A tibble: 177 x 6
##   name_long continent area_km2     pop gdpPerCap           geom
##   <chr>      <chr>    <dbl>    <dbl>     <dbl>       <MULTIPOLYGON [°]>
## 1 Fiji        Oceania    1.93e4  8.86e5    8222. (((180 -16.06713, 180 -16.55~
## 2 Tanzania    Africa     9.33e5  5.22e7    2402. (((33.90371 -0.95, 34.07262 ~
## 3 Western S~ Africa     9.63e4  NA        NA (((-8.66559 27.65643, -8.665~
## 4 Canada      North Ame~ 1.00e7  3.55e7    43079. ((((-122.84 49, -122.9742 49.~
## 5 United St~ North Ame~ 9.51e6  3.19e8    51922. ((((-122.84 49, -120 49, -117~
```

FEATURE  
GEOMETRY (SFG)

# From the ground up

```
point1 <- st_point(c(432000, 4513100))           # create the feature geometry (sfg)
point2 <- st_point(c(436750, 4518500))

sf_column <- st_sfc(point1, point2, crs = 26912) # create the geometry column (sfc)

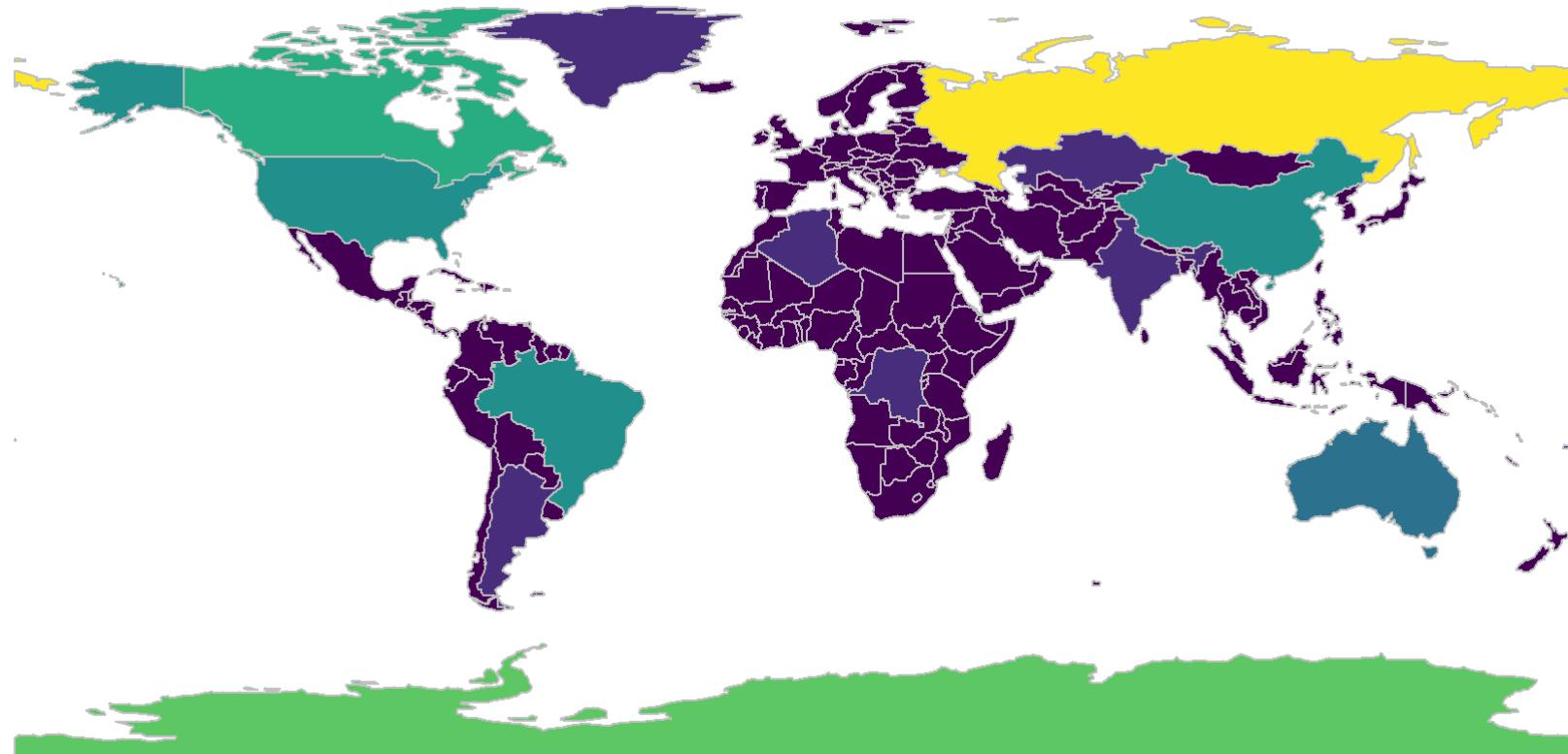
st_sf(id = 1:2,
      location = "red butte canyon",
      geometry = sf_column)
```

```
## Simple feature collection with 2 features and 2 fields
## Geometry type: POINT
## Dimension: XY
## Bounding box: xmin: 432000 ymin: 4513100 xmax: 436750 ymax: 4518500
## Projected CRS: NAD83 / UTM zone 12N
##   id      location      geometry
## 1 1 red butte canyon POINT (432000 4513100)
## 2 2 red butte canyon POINT (436750 4518500)
```

Similar to `data.frame(col1 = ..., col2 = ...)`, but with a geometry column.

## Plot Attribute

```
plot(world["area_km2"], pal = viridis)
```



# Plot Geometry

```
plot(st_geometry(world), col = "gray90")
```



# Geometry type?

```
indonesia <- subset(world, name_long == "Indonesia")  
  
st_geometry_type(indonesia)
```

```
## [1] MULTIPOLYGON  
## 18 Levels: GEOMETRY POINT LINESTRING ... TRIANGLE
```

# Coordinate Reference System

```
st_crs(world)
```

```
## Coordinate Reference System:  
##   User input: EPSG:4326  
##   wkt:  
## GEOCRS["WGS 84",  
##         DATUM["World Geodetic System 1984",  
##                 ELLIPSOID["WGS 84",6378137,298.257223563,  
##                             LENGTHUNIT["metre",1]]],  
##         PRIMEM["Greenwich",0,  
##                   ANGLEUNIT["degree",0.0174532925199433]],  
##         CS[ellipsoidal,2],  
##             AXIS["geodetic latitude (Lat)",north,  
##                   ORDER[1],  
##                   ANGLEUNIT["degree",0.0174532925199433]],  
##             AXIS["geodetic longitude (Lon)",east,  
##                   ORDER[2],  
##                   ANGLEUNIT["degree",0.0174532925199433]],  
##             USAGE[  
##                   SCOPE["Horizontal component of 3D system."],  
##                   AREA["World."],  
##                   BBOX[-90,-180,90,180]],  
##                   ID["EPSG",4326]]
```

```
st_crs(world)$epsg
```

```
## [1] 4326
```



Coordinate Systems Worldwide

# Re-projecting Simple Features

Google Pseudo-Mercator

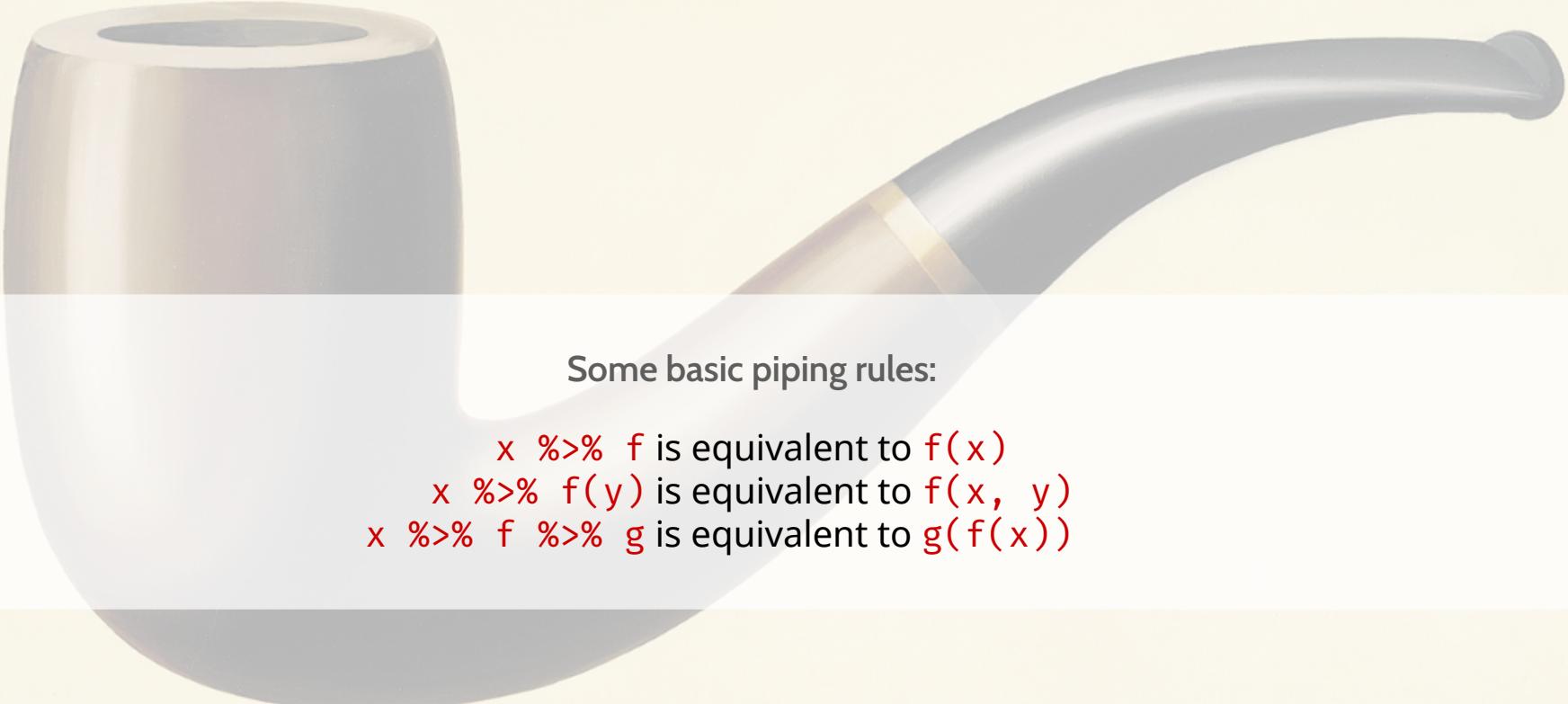
```
st_transform(world, crs = 3857)
```



World Mollweide

```
st_transform(world, crs = "+proj=moll")
```





Some basic piping rules:

- $x \%>% f$  is equivalent to  $f(x)$
- $x \%>% f(y)$  is equivalent to  $f(x, y)$
- $x \%>% f \%>% g$  is equivalent to  $g(f(x))$

*Ceci n'est pas une pipe.*

## select() columns

WE SELECT JUST  
ONE COLUMN, BUT...

```
world %>% select(name_long)
```

```
## Simple feature collection with 177 features and 1 field
## Geometry type: MULTIPOLYGON
## Dimension: XY
## Bounding box: xmin: -180 ymin: -89.9 xmax: 180 ymax: 83.64513
## Geodetic CRS: WGS 84
## # A tibble: 177 x 2
##   name_long                                geom
##   <chr>                                     <MULTIPOLYGON [°]>
## 1 Fiji          (((-180 -16.55522, -179.9174 -16.50178, -179.7933 -16.02088, -1~
## 2 Tanzania      (((33.90371 -0.95, 31.86617 -1.02736, 30.76986 -1.01455, 30.419~
## 3 Western Saha~ (((-8.66559 27.65643, -8.817828 27.65643, -8.794884 27.1207, -9~
## 4 Canada        (((-132.71 54.04001, -133.18 54.16998, -133.2397 53.85108, -133~
## 5 United States (((-171.7317 63.78252, -171.7911 63.40585, -171.5531 63.31779, ~
## # ... with 172 more rows
```

# filter() rows

```
world %>% filter(area_km2 < 10000)
```

```
## Simple feature collection with 7 features and 5 fields
## Geometry type: MULTIPOLYGON
## Dimension: XY
## Bounding box: xmin: -67.24243 ymin: -16.59785 xmax: 167.8449 ymax: 50.12805
## Geodetic CRS: WGS 84
## # A tibble: 7 x 6
##   name_long continent area_km2     pop gdpPercap                  geom
## * <chr>      <chr>    <dbl>    <dbl>    <dbl>                  <MULTIPOLYGON [°]>
## 1 Puerto Ri~ North Am~    9225.  3534874    35066. ((((-66.28243 18.51476, -67.10~
## 2 Palestine   Asia       5037.  4294682    4320. (((35.39756 31.48909, 35.5452~
## 3 Vanuatu     Oceania    7490.  258850     2892. (((166.7932 -15.66881, 167.00~
## 4 Luxembourg  Europe    2417.  556319    93655. (((6.043073 50.12805, 5.78241~
## 5 Northern ~ Asia      3786.       NA        NA (((32.73178 35.14003, 32.9195~
## # ... with 2 more rows
```

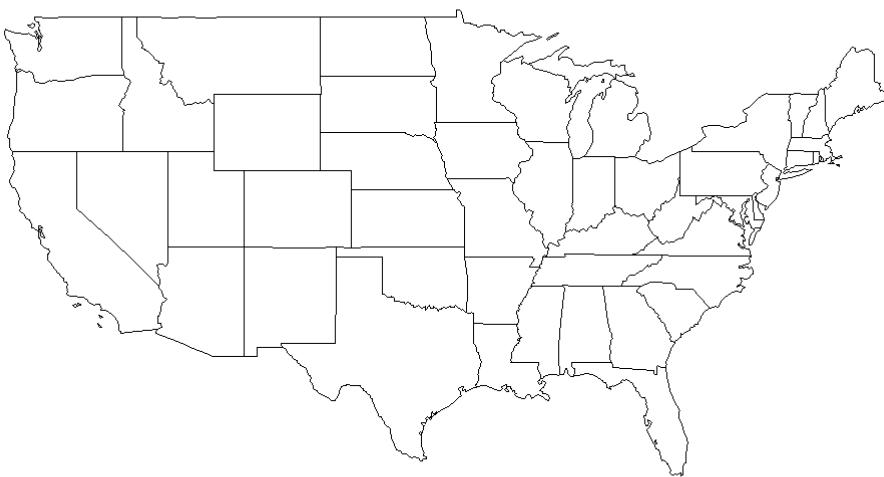
# mutate() variables

```
world %>% mutate(pop_dens = (pop / area_km2))
```

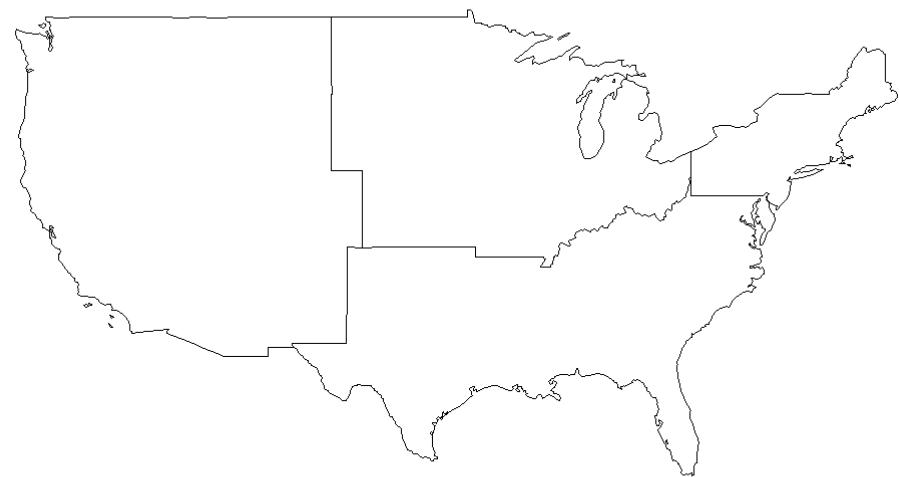
```
## Simple feature collection with 177 features and 4 fields
## Geometry type: MULTIPOLYGON
## Dimension: XY
## Bounding box: xmin: -180 ymin: -89.9 xmax: 180 ymax: 83.64513
## Geodetic CRS: WGS 84
## # A tibble: 177 x 5
##   name_long   pop_dens     pop area_km2          geom
##   <chr>       <dbl>    <dbl>    <dbl>      <MULTIPOLYGON [°]>
## 1 Fiji        45.9     8.86e5  1.93e4 (((-180 -16.55522, -179.9174 -16.50178~
## 2 Tanzania    56.0     5.22e7  9.33e5 (((33.90371 -0.95, 31.86617 -1.02736, ~
## 3 Western Sa~ NA       NA      9.63e4 (((-8.66559 27.65643, -8.817828 27.656~
## 4 Canada      3.54     3.55e7  1.00e7 (((-132.71 54.04001, -133.18 54.16998,~
## 5 United Sta~ 33.5     3.19e8  9.51e6 (((-171.7317 63.78252, -171.7911 63.40~
## # ... with 172 more rows
```

# summarize() groups

```
states %>%  
  # do something here  
  # do another thing  
  st_geometry() %>%  
  plot()
```



```
states %>%  
  group_by(REGION) %>%  
  summarize(mean_area = mean(AREA)) %>%  
  st_geometry() %>%  
  plot()
```



# summarize() groups

```
states %>%
  select(NAME, REGION, AREA, total_pop_15) %>%
  group_by(REGION) %>%
  summarize(pop = sum(total_pop_15),
            n_states = n()) %>%
  st_drop_geometry()
```

```
## # A tibble: 4 x 3
##   REGION          pop n_states
## * <fct>      <dbl>    <int>
## 1 Northeast  55989520        9
## 2 Midwest   67546398       12
## 3 South     118575377      17
## 4 West      72264052       11
```

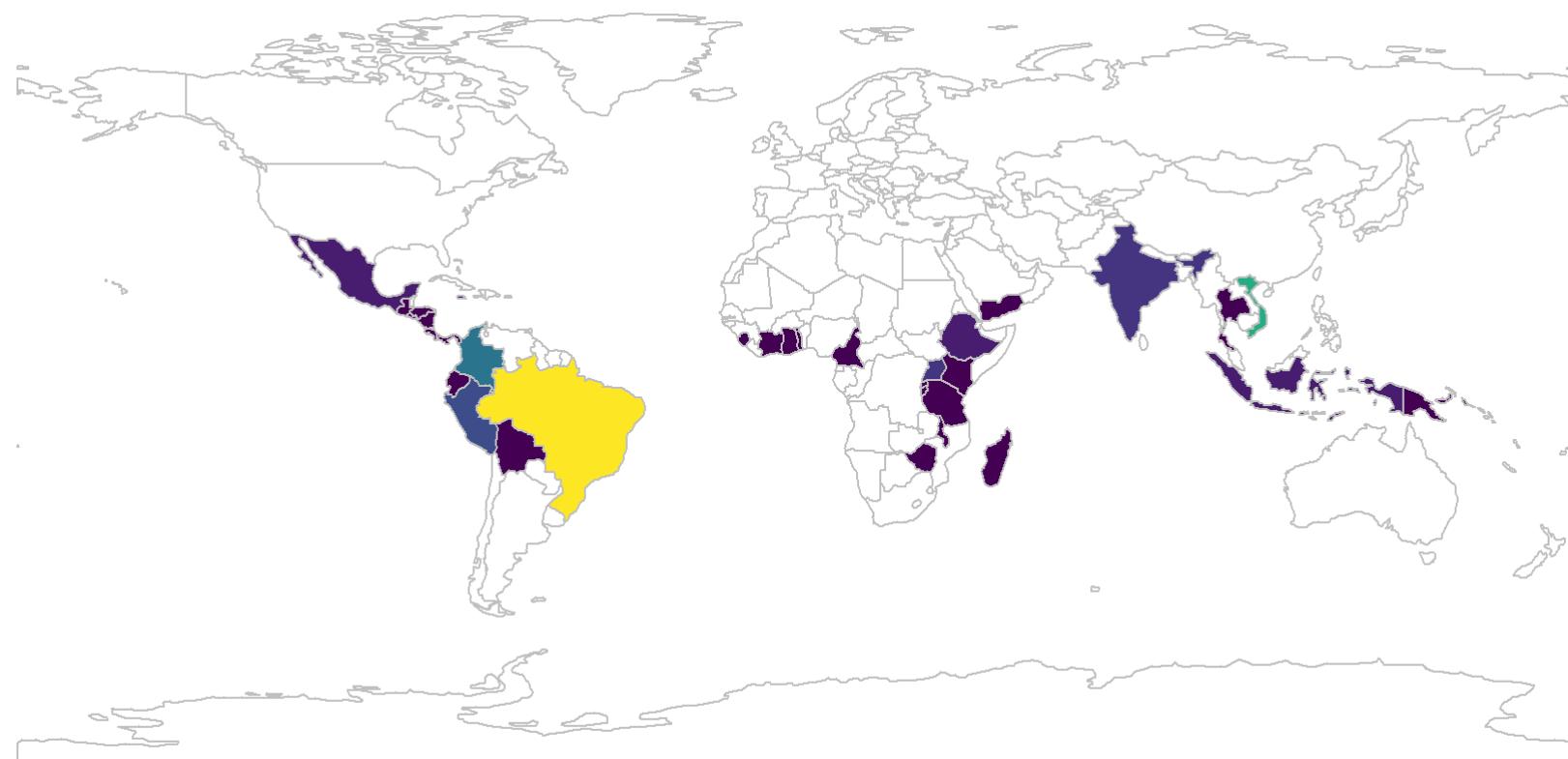
# left\_join() tables

```
world_coffee <- world %>% left_join(coffee_data)  
  
world_coffee %>% select(name_long, coffee_production_2017)
```

```
## Simple feature collection with 177 features and 2 fields  
## Geometry type: MULTIPOLYGON  
## Dimension: XY  
## Bounding box: xmin: -180 ymin: -89.9 xmax: 180 ymax: 83.64513  
## Geodetic CRS: WGS 84  
## # A tibble: 177 x 3  
##   name_long   coffee_production~             geom  
##   <chr>          <int>           <MULTIPOLYGON [°]>  
## 1 Fiji            NA (((-180 -16.55522, -179.9174 -16.50178, -179.~  
## 2 Tanzania        66 (((33.90371 -0.95, 31.86617 -1.02736, 30.7698~  
## 3 Western Sah~    NA (((-8.66559 27.65643, -8.817828 27.65643, -8.~  
## 4 Canada          NA (((-132.71 54.04001, -133.18 54.16998, -133.2~  
## 5 United Stat~   NA (((-171.7317 63.78252, -171.7911 63.40585, -1~  
## # ... with 172 more rows
```

# left\_join() tables

```
plot(world_coffee["coffee_production_2017"], pal = viridis)
```



# left\_join() tables

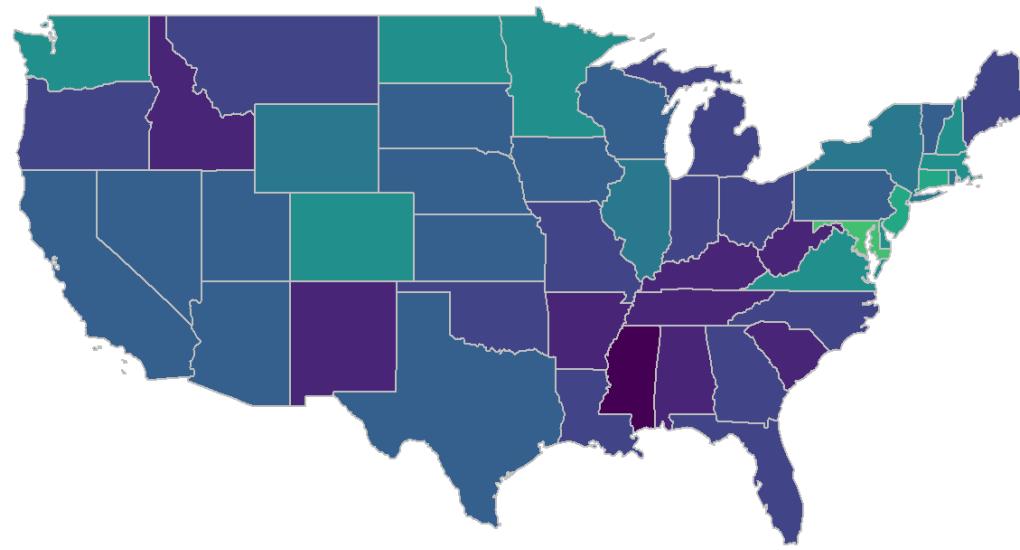
```
state_data <- states %>% left_join(us_states_df, by = c("NAME" = "state"))

state_data %>% select(NAME, median_income_15)
```

```
## Simple feature collection with 49 features and 2 fields
## Geometry type: MULTIPOLYGON
## Dimension: XY
## Bounding box: xmin: -124.7042 ymin: 24.55868 xmax: -66.9824 ymax: 49.38436
## Geodetic CRS: NAD83
## First 5 features:
##           NAME median_income_15               geometry
## 1      Alabama          22890 MULTIPOLYGON (((-88.20006 3...
## 2     Arizona          26156 MULTIPOLYGON ((((-114.7196 3...
## 3    Colorado          30752 MULTIPOLYGON ((((-109.0501 4...
## 4 Connecticut         33226 MULTIPOLYGON ((((-73.48731 4...
## 5     Florida          24654 MULTIPOLYGON ((((-81.81169 2...
```

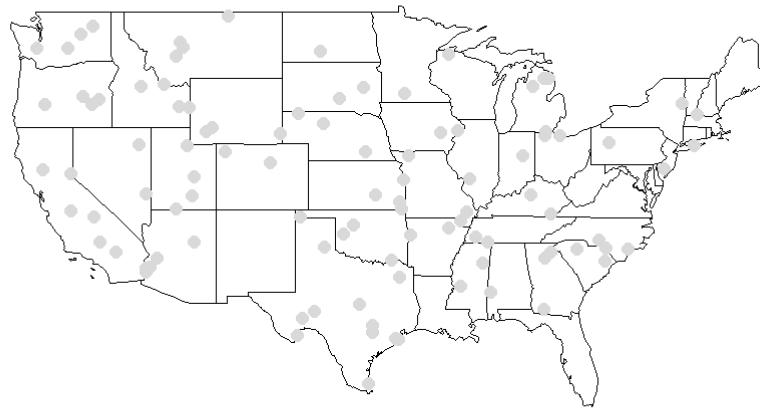
# left\_join() tables

```
plot(state_data["median_income_15"], pal = viridis)
```

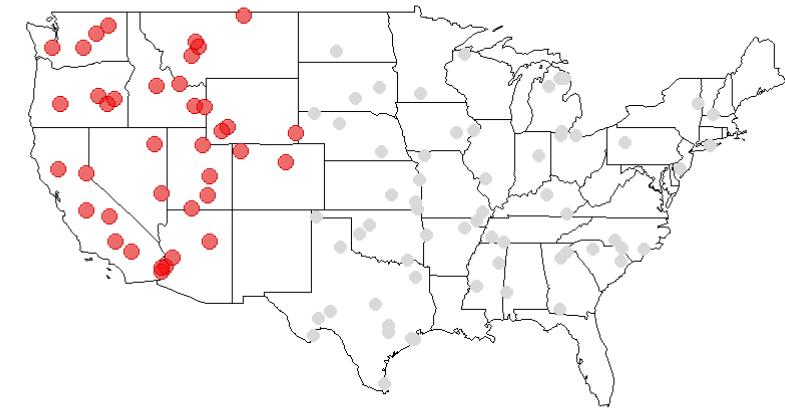


# st\_filter() geometries

```
# sample  
rand_ohs <- states %>%  
  st_sample(size = 100) %>%  
  st_sf()
```

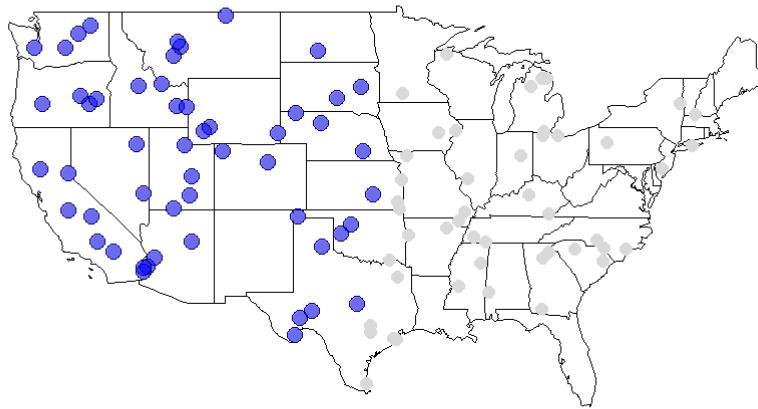


```
the_west <- states %>% filter(REGION == "West")  
# spatial filter  
westers <- rand_ohs %>%  
  st_filter(the_west, .predicate = st_intersects)
```

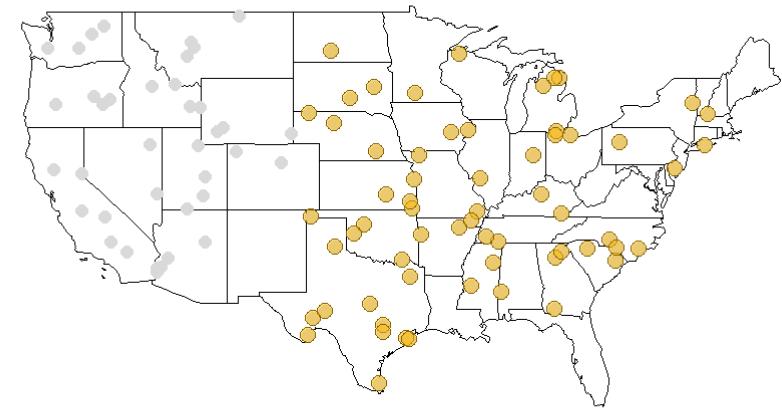


# st\_filter() geometries

```
goats <- rand_ohs %>%
  st_filter(the_west,
            .predicate = st_is_within_distance,
            dist = 500000)
```



```
easters <- rand_ohs %>%
  # made-up function
  st_filter(the_west,
            .predicate = st_not_intersects)
```



# st\_join() geometries

```
rand_ohs %>% st_join(states["NAME"])
```

```
## Simple feature collection with 100 features and 1 field
## Geometry type: POINT
## Dimension: XY
## Bounding box: xmin: -122.7003 ymin: 26.44266 xmax: -72.42611 ymax: 48.79554
## Geodetic CRS: NAD83
## First 5 features:
##   NAME           geometry
## 1 Michigan POINT (-83.97332 41.78423)
## 2 Colorado POINT (-108.3684 40.5151)
## 3 Wyoming POINT (-109.3914 42.02838)
## 4 Michigan POINT (-83.74951 44.99639)
## 5 Iowa POINT (-90.70396 41.84292)
```

# st\_join() geometries

```
rand_ohs %>% st_join(states["NAME"],  
                      join = st_is_within_distance,  
                      dist = 1000000)
```

```
## Simple feature collection with 1810 features and 1 field  
## Geometry type: POINT  
## Dimension: XY  
## Bounding box: xmin: -122.7003 ymin: 26.44266 xmax: -72.42611 ymax: 48.79554  
## Geodetic CRS: NAD83  
## First 5 features:  
##      NAME           geometry  
## 1    Alabama POINT (-83.97332 41.78423)  
## 2 Connecticut POINT (-83.97332 41.78423)  
## 3    Georgia POINT (-83.97332 41.78423)  
## 4   Indiana POINT (-83.97332 41.78423)  
## 5    Kansas POINT (-83.97332 41.78423)
```

# st\_join() geometries

```
rand_ohs %>% st_join(states[, "REGION"])
```

```
## Simple feature collection with 100 features and 1 field
## Geometry type: POINT
## Dimension: XY
## Bounding box: xmin: -122.7003 ymin: 26.44266 xmax: -72.42611 ymax: 48.79554
## Geodetic CRS: NAD83
## First 5 features:
##   REGION           geometry
## 1 Midwest POINT (-83.97332 41.78423)
## 2 West POINT (-108.3684 40.5151)
## 3 West POINT (-109.3914 42.02838)
## 4 Midwest POINT (-83.74951 44.99639)
## 5 Midwest POINT (-90.70396 41.84292)
```

# st\_join() geometries

```
rand_ohs %>%  
  st_join(states[, c("REGION", "total_pop_15")]) %>%  
  group_by(REGION) %>%  
  summarize(pop = sum(total_pop_15))
```

```
## Simple feature collection with 4 features and 2 fields  
## Geometry type: MULTIPOLYLINE  
## Dimension: XY  
## Bounding box: xmin: -122.7003 ymin: 26.44266 xmax: -72.42611 ymax: 48.79554  
## Geodetic CRS: NAD83  
## # A tibble: 4 x 3  
##   REGION      pop           geometry  
##   <fct>     <dbl>          <MULTIPOLYLINE [°]>  
## 1 Northeast  6.24e7 ((-74.95319 39.49451), (-79.18072 41.06741), (-73.575 43.46~  
## 2 Midwest   1.31e8 ((-83.74951 44.99639), (-84.0922 45.0179), (-91.38018 46.43~  
## 3 South     4.18e8 ((-90.444 32.35973), (-95.41068 29.18533), (-95.19731 29.15~  
## 4 West      3.47e8 ((-108.1109 48.79554), (-111.8395 47.19768), (-111.6086 46.~
```

# st\_distance() between sf

```
rand_ohs %>%  
  sample_n(5) %>%  
  st_distance()
```

```
## Units: [m]  
##      [,1]     [,2]     [,3]     [,4]     [,5]  
## [1,]    0.0 895327.5 614695.8 504480.2 774539.2  
## [2,] 895327.5     0.0 1125035.8 1354605.0 944144.4  
## [3,] 614695.8 1125035.8     0.0 525373.1 349190.3  
## [4,] 504480.2 1354605.0 525373.1     0.0 855288.6  
## [5,] 774539.2 944144.4 349190.3 855288.6     0.0
```