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Background

Travel is an important activity that people in the United Kingdom (UK) participate in for leisure, business and visiting family. Choices are influenced by a number of personal and wider influences (such as the economic or political) This means that preferences have the potential to change over time.

Individual travel choices can also have implications for the economy and environment. This makes understanding trends important. Additionally in the past 10 years the UK has seen a number of events which theoretically could have effected these travel choices (e.g. Coronavirus pandemic, EU Exit).

Research question

Overall have people in the UK **changed their chosen travel destinations over time?**

Data Origins

The data was provided by the UK's Office for National Statistics and accessed in May 2023 at their *Travel Trends Dataset Pages*. The only available data was between 2009 and 2021. The specific files used were:

- 2017 to 2021 edition of the data set and
- 2009 to 2019 edition of the data set.

I have used the “Number of visits to specified countries: by main country visited and nationality” as this allowed a more nuanced view of travel which a region level may not pick up.

Data collection

The data used in this project provides estimated visits based on the International Passenger Survey (IPS). The IPS uses interviews at all major airports, sea routes and Eurostar/ Eurotunnel terminals with approximately 250,000 people (although up to 800,000 interviews take place). There are no other details on the sampling method. Countries are consistent every year available.

However the data for 2021 is more limited than previous years of the IPS due to a smaller sample. Reasons for this included the smaller number of travelers and issues collecting the data at key terminals (e.g. Eurotunnel). This means that there is more error in the estimation than other years (excluding 2020 where no country level data is available).

Additionally a new method for calculating the 2021 estimates were introduced which supersedes the previous years. The estimates that overlap are the same in the 2009 to 2019 data sets. Full details of the changes are in the *raw data files*. Despite scale and coverage the IPS is a good source to answer the research question therefore it is used. The different methods of calculation look to have had no effects on the numbers so a merge is still appropriate. Additionally no other data sources exist at this level of detail.

Raw data

Below is the top of the raw data set for the years 2017 to 2021.

```
data1721 = (here("raw_data", "section3ukresidentsvisitsabroad2017to2021.xlsx"))
#data for 2017 to 2021
raw<- read_excel(data1721,
                  sheet="3.06",
                  skip=10,
                  n_max=68)
```

```
## New names:
## * ' ' -> '...1'
## * ' ' -> '...2'
## * ' ' -> '...8'
```

```
head(raw)
```

```
## # A tibble: 6 x 9
##   ...1      ...2 '2017' '2018' '2019' '2020'      '2021' ...8 ' (%) '
##   <chr>      <lgl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <chr>      <dbl> <lgl> <dbl>
## 1 <NA>      NA      NA      NA      NA <NA>      NA      NA      NA
## 2 <NA>      NA      NA      NA      NA <NA>      NA      NA      NA
## 3 Canada    NA      684.    779.    757. -      120.    NA     -35.2
## 4 USA       NA     4439.   4943.   4805. -      502.    NA     -42.0
## 5 North America NA     5123.   5722.   5562. 1056.024048354489 623.    NA     -41.0
## 6 Austria   NA      700.    695.    730. -      88.0    NA     -40.5
```

Data definitions

A full codebook describing the variables from the original dataset and any calculated values are available *in the github pages for this project*.

The variables taken from the raw data that were not removed are:

variable	description	other_notes
country (1 in the raw data)	main destination travelled to from the UK	Source ONS raw data apart from the dfColour
2009...2021 (each years individual variable)	number of visits in thousands (000s)	This includes business, leisure and family travel. In dfv2 years correspond to ranks

Data preparation

This section covers the different processes that this data has been through prior to visualisation.

Libraries and RENV

The following packages were used in this project:

```
renv::restore()
#Libraries
library(here) #Here for loading in the data
library(tidyverse) #Tidyverse for data management
library(ggplot2) #chart making
library(readxl) #Reading in Excel sheets as that is how the data is stored
library(plotly) #Making scroll over charts
library(htmlwidgets) #To save interactive chart
```

To support future replication this R Project used RENV (version:0.17.3) with package versions available in the following *file location*.

Importing the data

Creating cleaning variables

As an initial step I created a set of values that supported the importation and data cleaning processes. In theory these will allow for new data sets to be added in a simple way.

```
# 2. Load the data in

#Variables required for data cleaning of the ONS files

ONSList <- 68 #The length of the ONS data table, these are consistent

yearsdf1721 <- c("2017","2018","2019",
                 "2020","2021")
# These are the years that we will want to take from this data frame

yearsdf0919 <- c("2009","2010","2011",
                 "2012","2013","2014",
                 "2015","2016")
#Years wanted, always choose most recent

summaries <- list('Total World',
                  'Other Countries',"Europe",
                  '- of which EU',
                  '- of which EU Oth',
                  '- of which EU15',
                  "North America")
#summary values used in the dataset

# Raw data locations
data1721 = (here("raw_data","section3ukresidentsvisitsabroad2017to2021.xlsx"))
#data for 2017 to 2021
data0919 = (here ("raw_data","section3ukresidentsvisitsabroad2009to2019.xlsx"))
#data for 2009 to 2017
```

Importing the data

The following code imports the data into R. It then renames the columns to match those in the original ONS data file and removes the rows that are blank.

```

# Load in latest dataset 2017-2021
df1721<- read_excel(data1721,
                    sheet="3.06",
                    skip=10,
                    n_max=ONSList)

##rename columns 2017-2021
df1721_n <- tibble(x = 1:9, y = c("country", "coltoremove", "2017","2018",
                                "2019","2020","2021","blankroremove",
                                "avgrowth1519"))#list of column names

names(df1721) <- df1721_n %>% select(y) %>% pull()#function to change the names

##Remove NAs in rows and select years only 2017 to 2021
df1721 <- df1721 %>%
  select("country",all_of(yearsdf1721)) %>% #Select correct years
  drop_na("country")# remove blank rows

## Read the excel file for 2009 to 2019
df0919 <- read_excel(data0919,
                    sheet="3.10",
                    skip=10,
                    n_max=ONSList)

###rename columns 2009 - 2019
df0919_n <- tibble(x=1:19, y= c("country",
                                "coltoremove",
                                "2009","2010","2011",
                                "2012","2013","2014",
                                "2015","2016","2017",
                                "2018","2019",
                                "blank1",
                                "change1819",
                                "blank2",
                                "growth1819",
                                "blank3",
                                "Avgrowth1519"))#list of column names

names(df0919) <- df0919_n %>% select(y) %>% pull() #function to change the names

###Remove NAs in rows and select years only to 2017
df0919 <- df0919 %>%
  select("country",all_of(yearsdf0919)) %>% #Select correct years
  drop_na("country")# remove blank rows

```

Merge the files

Once both data sets were in the same shape I merged them into a single data set that has all available years. This was then when I removed the summary variables to avoid unnecessary code.

```

#Merge the datasets
df0921 <- left_join(df0919, df1721,by="country")

```

```
##Remove summaries in the dataset
df0921 <-df0921 %>%
  filter(!country %in% summaries))
```

Use of ranks

As 58 countries is tricky to visualise I knew a rank variable would be required to develop the visualisation. I decided on 2021 to be the key year for this cut off because it is the most recent and presents a “now” vs the “past” view which is more intuitive. The ranks work on 1 being the most visited country.

```
## Add ranking variable for 2021 (this will be used to decide on the cases kept)
df0921 <- df0921 %>%
  mutate(rank_cut = rank(-`2021`, ties.method = "average"))

#save combined data set
comData_n = paste(here("created_data"), "/travel0921.csv", sep = "")
write.csv(df0921, comData_n) #Write data to CSV
```

```
#check data
head(df0921)
```

```
## # A tibble: 6 x 15
##   country '2009' '2010' '2011' '2012' '2013' '2014' '2015' '2016' '2017' '2018'
##   <chr>    <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
## 1 Canada    517.  498.  541.  471.  463.  552.  528.  658.  684.  779.
## 2 USA      3538. 3922. 4071. 3744. 3831. 4197. 4398. 4382. 4439. 4943.
## 3 Austria   760.  704.  624.  620.  714.  630.  666.  909.  700.  695.
## 4 Belgium  1541. 1660. 1798. 2074. 2013. 2189. 2047. 1897. 2063. 2087.
## 5 Bulgaria  268.  254.  325.  337.  325.  378.  343.  477.  596.  691.
## 6 Czech R~  469.  423.  453.  414.  422.  378.  512.  600.  687.  625.
## # i 4 more variables: '2019' <dbl>, '2020' <chr>, '2021' <dbl>, rank_cut <dbl>
```

Visualising the data

To answer this question I felt that there were three approaches to visualising the data:

1. Use the raw visits data.
2. Report the proportion of visits to each country.
3. Use the country's rank score.

Visits and ranks were seen as the most promising for visualisations as proportions would require more of the countries to be included in the plot. I also felt that people would be more interested in which are the most visited rather than proportions.

Other considerations:

- **Scale** issues. A key consideration is that Spain in particular had a much greater number of visits than other countries. This could make any charting look odd with differences between the other nations minimised.

- The **number of countries** to include. Fifty-eight countries makes a chart very hard to interpret so for each visualisation I need to balance the overall trends (as many as possible) and what is interesting. I based this on the top visited as this accounts for most passengers.
- The **number of years**. Additional years show where patterns started to occur but as there are only 12 years of data the benefits of this versus the clutter on the chart needs to be balanced.
- **Inclusion of 2021**. As mentioned earlier 2021 is an atypical year and may give unreliable trend information. However it is the latest date and it is interesting to see the impact of COVID-19 on travel so it remains.
- **Country names**. some “countries” are composites of those that did not have enough visits for their own label (e.g. “rest of Europe”). This means that these are slightly less informative if a person does not look at the full list. In the end I decided to keep consistent with the ONS realising that this is a limitation.
- **Flexibility** to make changes if design needs were required.
- Although I decided country was the more interesting trend it would be ideal to have a way to indicate **where these countries are situated**.

Visualisation 1 - Dumbell plot

With visualisation 1 I wanted to use the raw number of visits to show the change in travel. I decided on a dumbell plot because I felt that it showed the differences between both 2009 and 2021 and the countries well. It is also less cluttered than a traditional clustered bar chart and allowed for easier comparisons between countries.

Data changes

Initially I created variables to select the years and the number of countries I wanted included. This was to allow for any quick changes based on how the final graph was looking. After this the data was then moved into a long format with the year column name becoming the year variable. The number of visits for each year is included as visits.

```
#3.1. Create variables to allow us to choose the number of 2021 ranks

cutrank1 <- 20 #number of countries that we want included in the chart
yrs_inc1 <- c(2009, 2021)
# years that we want to include (can be any year from 2009-2021 apart from 2020)

#3.2 Create summary DF based on the number of countries

dfv1 <- df0921 %>%
  filter (rank_cut<=cutrank1)

#3.3. Convert to long format

longdfv1 <- dfv1 %>% select("country",
                           "2009", "2010",
                           "2011", "2012",
                           "2013", "2014",
                           "2015", "2016",
                           "2017", "2018",
                           "2019", "2021") %>% #2020 dropped due to no data
  pivot_longer(!country,
               names_to = "year",
```

```

names_transform = list(year = as.factor),
#Changed to factor to allow for it to be treated as a category
values_to = "visits") %>%
  arrange(desc(visits)) %>%
  #order by the most visited to the least
  filter(year %in% yrs_inc1)
#removes years that we are not interested in as defined above

head(longdfv1)

```

```

## # A tibble: 6 x 3
##   country      year visits
##   <chr>      <fct> <dbl>
## 1 Spain      2009  12109.
## 2 France     2009  10510.
## 3 Spain      2021   4225.
## 4 Republic of Ireland 2009   4051.
## 5 USA        2009   3538.
## 6 Italy       2009   2824.

```

Visualisation

To create the dumbbell plot I added the visits data to `geom_point` and then added a line to connect the 2 dates together. As some data points overlap I ensured that these points were opaque. Additionally I created a dynamic subtitle in case the years chosen changes in the future (e.g. if we decide that the 2019 pre-covid year is a more appropriate comparison). I kept the colours as default as I felt that they actually worked quite well. The countries were reordered by the largest visits but this had mixed results.

#3.4. Create a dumbbell plot

#3.4.1. Create a subtitle that changes with the data selected.

```
subtitle1 <- paste("Showing the top", toString(cutrank1), "most visited countries in 2021")
```

#3.4.2. Match the aesthetics (basic plot)

```
p1 <- ggplot(longdfv1,
  aes(x = visits, y = reorder(country, visits)))
```

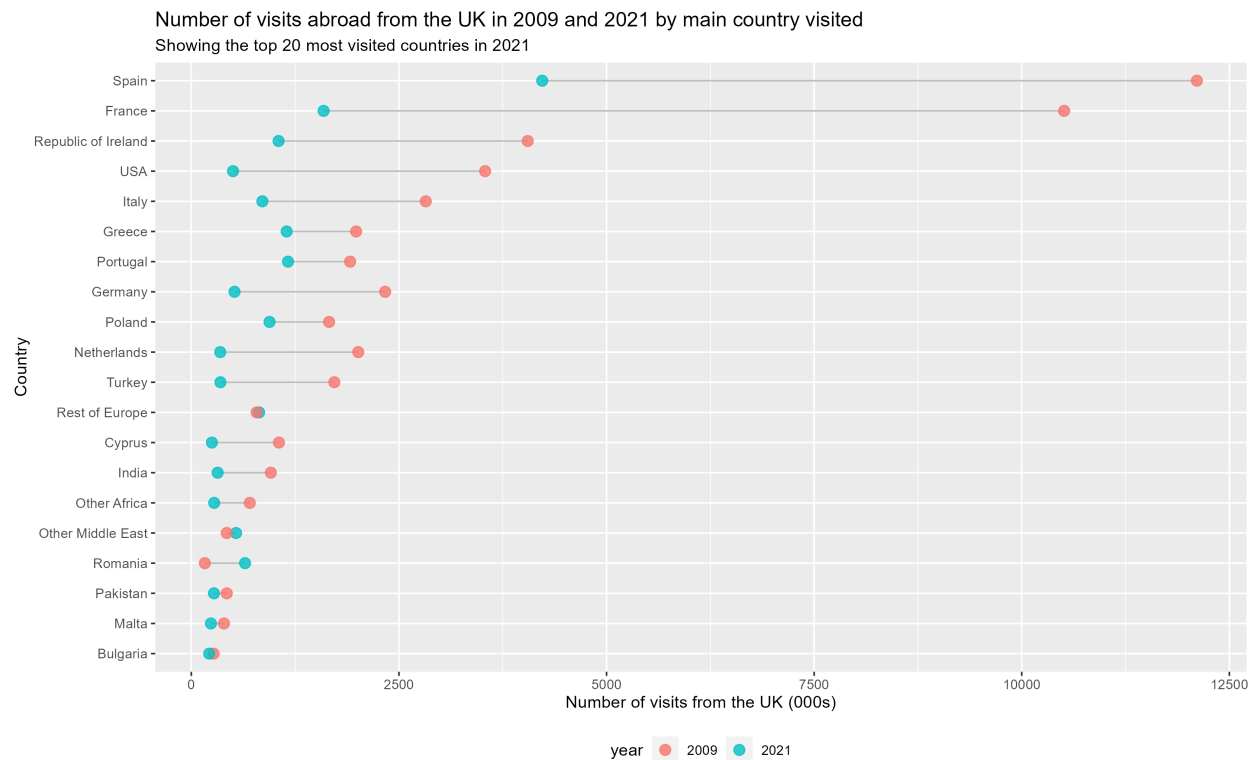
#3.4.3. Add layers

```
v1 <- p1 + #lines to show the years are connected
  geom_line(color="grey") +
  #shows the year
  geom_point(aes(color = year), size = 3, alpha=0.8) +
  #Legend at the bottom for ease
  theme(legend.position = "bottom") +
  #Labels for the chart
  labs(x = "Number of visits from the UK (000s)",
    y = "Country",
    title = "Number of visits abroad from the UK in 2009 and 2021 by main country visited",
    subtitle = subtitle1,
    caption= "Source: Office for National Statistics International Passenger Survey")

```

#3.5. Save the dumbbell plot

```
ggsave(here("plots", "dumbbell.png"), v1, width = 11.2, height = 7.163)
```



Source: Office for National Statistics International Passenger Survey

Interactive plot

As I felt that this plot made reading the actual number difficult I entered it into ggplotly to allow for scrolling over points. This was useful but did make some of the formatting less clear. In this document I have commented the code to show this process and added a screenshot of the plot in action (please see *repo*).

#3.6. Add the dumbbell to plotly to make it interactive

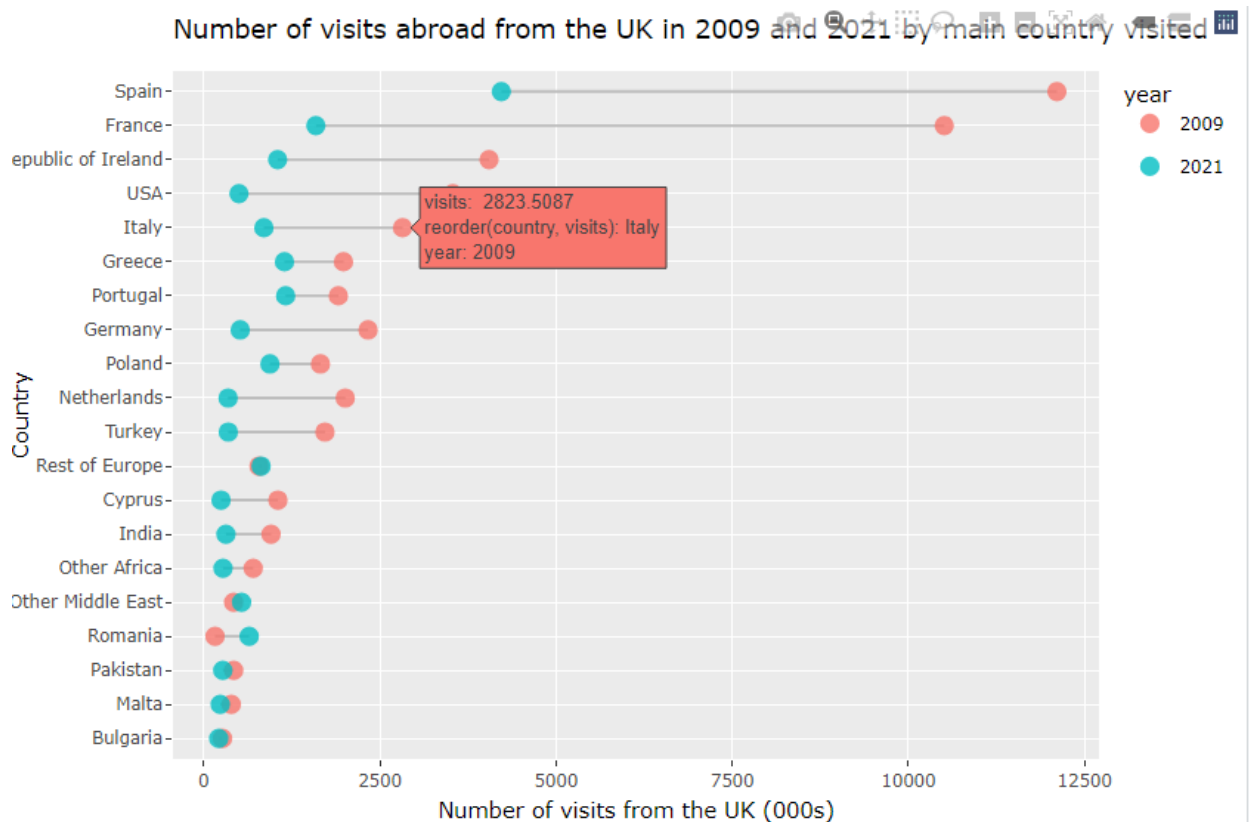
```
#ip1 <- ggplotly(v1) #Use plotly for scrollover  
#Display interactive visualisation 1  
#ip1
```

#3.7. Save the interactive plot

```
#saveWidget(ip1, file='interactivedumbell.html')
```

```
#Image for PDF markdown
```

```
screen <- here("documents", "screenshot_ip1.png") #location of file  
knitr::include_graphics(screen)
```

Interpretation - has there been a change in travel patterns?

From this visualisation we can see that **most countries have seen a reduction in the number of visits from 2009 to 2021**. This is especially true for Spain and France but they had a much higher number of visitors in 2009. Only Romania has a clear increase in visits. Although this is useful I don't think it shows the changes in travel patterns in an intuitive way. Additionally it mostly confirms that travel during the end of the COVID-19 pandemic was lower which is not particularly insightful.

Visualisation 2 (final) - Slope chart

After reviewing plot 1 I decided that ranks would show the same information in a simpler way and provide a way to understand trends despite the impact of COVID-19 on traveler numbers. The trade off was losing the scale of difference between Spain and the rest of the countries.

I decided on a slope chart as this provides the most information without it being too cluttered. I was also conscious that other alternatives such as a line graph or paired bar chart would be difficult to interpret.

Data changes

As with visualisation 1 I made variables to allow for easy customisation of the number of countries/ years. Prior to visualising I needed to convert the data from actual visits to the rank position for that year. Following on from that I needed to select the number of countries that I wanted included and then convert to the long format. Finally I selected only cases in 2009 and 2021.

#4.1. Create variable to allow for filtering the data

```
cutrank2 <- 15 # Create variables to allow us to choose the number of 2021 ranks
yrs_inc2 <- c(2009, 2021) #Create variables for the years to include in visualisation
```

#4.2. Create new DF of just ranks

```
dfv2 <- df0921 %>%
  mutate(r09 = rank(`2009`, ties.method = "average"),
         r10 = rank(`2010`, ties.method = "average"),
         r11 = rank(`2011`, ties.method = "average"),
         r12 = rank(`2012`, ties.method = "average"),
         r13 = rank(`2013`, ties.method = "average"),
         r14 = rank(`2014`, ties.method = "average"),
         r15 = rank(`2015`, ties.method = "average"),
         r16 = rank(`2016`, ties.method = "average"),
         r17 = rank(`2017`, ties.method = "average"),
         r18 = rank(`2018`, ties.method = "average"),
         r19 = rank(`2019`, ties.method = "average"),
         r20 = r19, #no data so saying that it would have been steady from 19
         r21 = rank(`2021`, ties.method = "average")) %>%
  #r09-#r21 are the rank scores for each year
  select("country",
        "r09", "r10", "r11",
        "r12", "r13", "r14",
        "r15", "r16", "r17",
        "r18", "r19", "r21",
        'rank_cut') %>% #selecting the ranked data but 2020 dropped due to no data
  rename('2009'='r09',
        '2010'='r10',
        '2011'='r11',
        '2012'='r12',
        '2013'='r13',
        '2014'='r14',
        '2015'='r15',
        '2016'='r16',
        '2017'='r17',
        '2018'='r18',
        '2019'='r19',
        '2021'='r21',
        'rank_cut2'='rank_cut')
```

#changing rank names to years to allow for changing to long format

#4.3. Create summary DF based on the number of countries

```
dfv2 <- dfv2 %>%
  filter (rank_cut2 <=cutrank2)
```

#4.4. Change to Long format

```
longdfv2 <- dfv2 %>%
  select("country",
```

```

      "2009", "2010",
      "2011", "2012",
      "2013", "2014",
      "2015", "2016",
      "2017", "2018",
      "2019", "2021") %>%
pivot_longer(!country,
              names_to = "year",
              names_transform = list(year = as.factor),
              #Changed to factor to allow for it to be treated as a categor
              values_to = "rank") %>%
filter(year %in% yrs_inc2) #remove years that are irrelevant

head(longdfv2)

```

```

## # A tibble: 6 x 3
##   country year   rank
##   <chr>   <fct> <dbl>
## 1 USA     2009     4
## 2 USA     2021    12
## 3 France  2009     2
## 4 France  2021     2
## 5 Germany 2009     6
## 6 Germany 2021    11

```

Colour scheme

An additional factor in the choice of country is the geographic region that it is in. To account for this I created a colour scheme where each country grouping (based on the *ONS National statistics country classification*). To develop this scheme each grouping got their own main colour with each individual country showing a different shade. The table below shows the data format.

```

#4.5.1. Retrieve data file containing the colours for each country/ continent
dataColour <- here("created_data", "colours.csv") #location of file
dfColour <- read.csv(file = dataColour) # read in data

head(dfColour)

```

```

##   continent          country colour_desc hex_value
## 1   Africa           Egypt   Soft pink   #e51f66
## 2   Africa           Morocco Soft pink   #e83676
## 3   Africa           Tunisia Soft pink   #ea4d85
## 4   Africa Other North Africa Soft pink   #ed6495
## 5   Africa           South Africa Soft pink   #f07ba5
## 6   Africa           Nigeria Soft pink   #f292b4

```

This was then combined with the long rank data.

```

#4.5.2. Match the colour file to the data by country
longdfv2 <- left_join(longdfv2, dfColour, by="country")

head(longdfv2)

```

```
## # A tibble: 6 x 6
##   country year   rank continent   colour_desc   hex_value
##   <chr>   <fct> <dbl> <chr>         <chr>         <chr>
## 1 USA     2009      4 North America Chestnut       #cd5c5c
## 2 USA     2021     12 North America Chestnut       #cd5c5c
## 3 France  2009      2 Western Europe Cornflower blue #4d85ea
## 4 France  2021      2 Western Europe Cornflower blue #4d85ea
## 5 Germany 2009      6 Western Europe Cornflower blue #6495ed
## 6 Germany 2021     11 Western Europe Cornflower blue #6495ed
```

Visualisation

To create the final visualisation I used a line chart added to points at the end of each line to highlight the colour and position changes. To support understanding which countries are in which order I added the country name and rank next to the chart.

Other details:

- Subtitle and source that ammends automatically;
- Slight transparency to see where the lines are changing;
- Ordered 1 to lowest.

#4.6. Create the final visualisation (slope plot)

#4.6.1. Create titles for the plot

```
subtitle2 <- paste("Changes in the rank for overall visits (business and travel) for the top",
  toString(cutrank2),
  " most visited countries from the UK between"
,toString(first(yrs_inc2)),
  "to" ,
  toString(last(yrs_inc2))) # Label explaining the data
```

```
Source2 <- bquote(paste(~bold('Source:'),"ONS International Passenger Survey",
  ~bold('Note:'),"Colours indicate country grouping; 2021 had disrupted data coll
  #data source and interpretation notes
```

```
title2 <- paste("Viva Espania! Spain remains the UK's most visited country")
```

#4.6.2. Match the aesthetics (basic plot)

```
p2 <- longdfv2 %>%
  ggplot(aes(x=year, y=rank,group=country, colour= country))
```

#4.6.3. Add the formatting

```
final <- p2+
  #slope lines
  geom_line(alpha = 0.5, linewidth=1.5) +

  #End points for the data
  geom_point(size = 3.5) +
```

```

#Labels to show the country and rank next to each of the countries
geom_text(data= longdfv2 %>% filter(year==(toString(first(yrs_inc2)))),
  #selects the first year
  aes(x=year, y=rank,label = country), #add the country name
  size = 4, nudge_x = -0.35, fontface = "bold", color = "#000000") +
# format so next to text

geom_text(data= longdfv2 %>% filter(year==(toString(last(yrs_inc2)))),
  #selects the last year
  aes(x=year, y=rank,label = country), # add the country name
  size = 4, nudge_x = 0.35, fontface = "bold", color = "#000000") +
#format so next to text

geom_text(data= longdfv2 %>% filter(year ==(toString(first(yrs_inc2)))), #select the first year
  aes(x=year, y=rank,label = rank), #add the rank position
  size = 4, nudge_x = -0.05, fontface = "bold", color = "#000000") +
#place next to country name

geom_text(data= longdfv2 %>% filter(year ==(toString(last(yrs_inc2)))),
  #select the last year
  aes(x=year, y=rank,label = rank), # add the rank to the chart
  size = 4, nudge_x = 0.05,fontface = "bold", color = "#000000") + #formatting

#Reverse the scale so that the lowest ranked (most visited) is at the top
scale_y_reverse( breaks=NULL) +

#Use custom colours
scale_color_manual(values = setNames(longdfv2$hex_value, longdfv2$country)) +

#Add labels
labs(x = "Year", #X-axis
  y = "Rank visits from the UK (1 is the most visited)", #y-axis
  title = title2, #main title
  subtitle = str_wrap(subtitle2, width=150), #subtitle
  caption= Source2) + #caption with each on a new line

#Specify the theme (fonts, background etc.)
theme(plot.title = element_text(size=18, face = "bold"), #Main title font
  axis.text.x = element_text(size=14, face="bold", colour="black"), #X-axis element font
  axis.text.y = element_text(size=12, face="bold"), #y-axis years font
  axis.title = element_text(size=14,face = "bold"), #Axis title fonts
  panel.background = element_blank(), #Make the background blank
  legend.position = "none",#Remove the legend
  plot.caption = element_text(size = 10, hjust = 1)) #Caption font

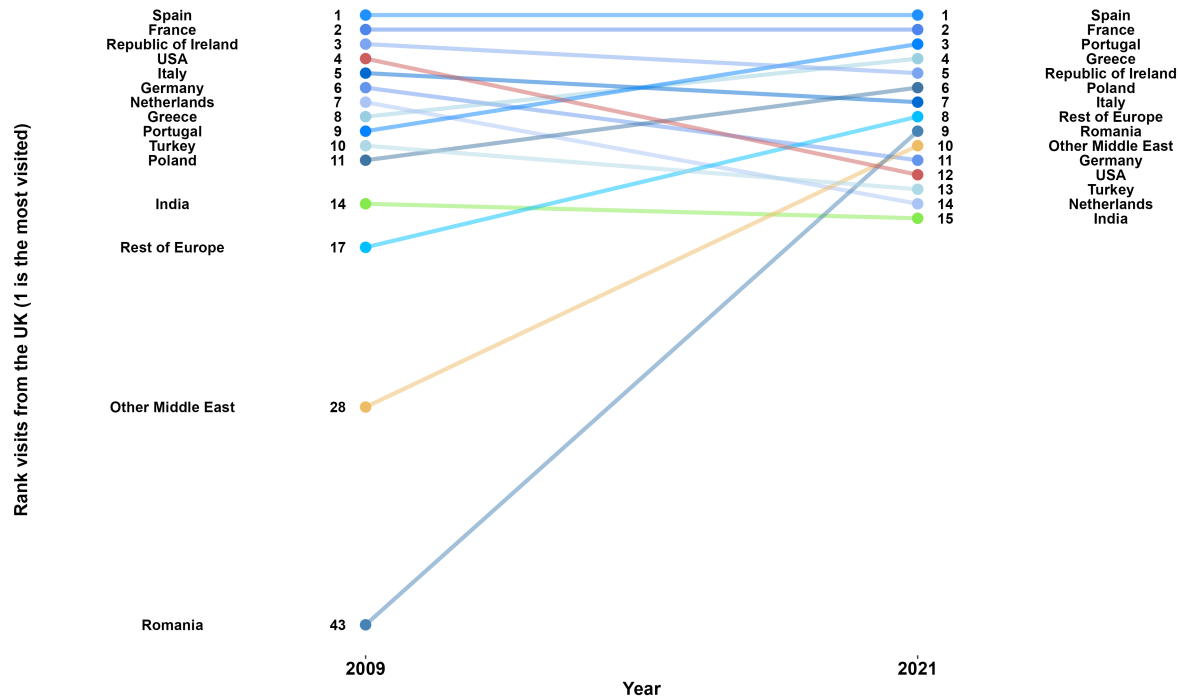
```

#4.6.4. Save the final plot

```
ggsave(here("plots", "finalplot.png"), final, width = 13.44, height = 8.595)
```

Viva Espania! Spain remains the UK's most visited country

Changes in the rank for overall visits (business and travel) for the top 15 most visited countries from the UK between 2009 to 2021



Interpretation - has there been a change in travel patterns?

The slope chart of ranked data is much clearer to interpret because the steepness of the slopes shows the trend. Overall there has been a **slight change in travel patterns** but this is not drastic or shifting the areas of the World that people are visiting.

However more specific insights include:

- Spain and France have remained first and second in the ranks.
- Since 2009 only 3 countries have entered/ left the top 15 ranked countries.
- Romania has had the most dramatic increase in rank from 43 to 9 followed by other Middle East.
- The USA saw the greatest drop in rank position and remained in the top 15.
- Most countries are in Europe as indicated by the blue colours with only 3 countries in other global regions.

Reflections

The main reflection that I have on the visualisations is the difficulties in trying to provide all the information available in a simple format. Although it can seem inappropriate to lose data on actual visits and the scale of the Spanish visits this was necessary to see the big picture. I think that visualisation 2 is sufficient to get an overall idea of the trends with UK travel.

The final visualisation does have some limitations:

- The colour meanings are unclear as I did not find a neat way to indicate the colours.

- Issues with the data collection in 2021 make them slightly less reliable especially on France/ Republic of Ireland.
- Scaling issues where the text can get squashed.
- Some of the country labels are not the most useful without the full data set (e.g. “rest of Europe”).
- Choosing 2 years lost some information about when the changes occurred a comparison chart including 2015 (using the same code but adding 2015 to yrs_inc2) is available in *this repo folder*.

If there was more time and access to the full data set for the IPS since 1961 I would have liked to create an interactive dashboard of the ranked travel data. This would allow people to type in their countries of interest and see longer term trends. This could also allow people who are interested to click on the position to see the actual number of visits. An example of this is provided by the ONS on *100 years of baby names*.

References

- The **repo** for this project (including data, code, cookbook) is available online via *github*.
- Access to the **raw data** is available from the ONS (link above) and their *publication* (accessed 15th May 23) on travel data shows the range of data from the IPS.
- Geographic groupings were taken from *this publication*

Additionally all the different free R resources online and stackoverflow have been useful in producing these charts.