

FTC_Wyndham

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Case 1: Massachusetts Data Security Law

```
library(plyr)
library(here)

## here() starts at C:/Users/karl_000/Documents/SpiderOak Hive/Dissertation/Dissertation_Code
##
## Attaching package: 'here'
## The following object is masked from 'package:plyr':
##
##     here
library(tidyr)
library(dplyr)

##
## Attaching package: 'dplyr'
## The following objects are masked from 'package:plyr':
##
##     arrange, count, desc, failwith, id, mutate, rename, summarise,
##     summarize
## The following objects are masked from 'package:stats':
##
##     filter, lag
## The following objects are masked from 'package:base':
##
##     intersect, setdiff, setequal, union
library(lubridate)

##
## Attaching package: 'lubridate'
## The following objects are masked from 'package:base':
##
##     date, intersect, setdiff, union
library(tseries)

## Registered S3 method overwritten by 'quantmod':
##   method              from
```

```
## as.zoo.data.frame zoo

library(TTR)

AllStateClean <- read.table(here::here("Data", "Other_data", "AllStateClean.txt"), sep=";")

AllStateClean$Massachusetts[!is.na(AllStateClean$Massachusetts)]<- 1
AllStateClean$New_Hampshire[!is.na(AllStateClean$New_Hampshire)]<- 1
AllStateClean$North_Carolina[!is.na(AllStateClean$North_Carolina)]<- 1
AllStateClean$California[!is.na(AllStateClean$California)]<- 1
AllStateClean$South_Carolina[!is.na(AllStateClean$South_Carolina)]<- 1
AllStateClean$Hawaii[!is.na(AllStateClean$Hawaii)]<- 1
AllStateClean$Iowa[!is.na(AllStateClean$Iowa)]<- 1

AllStateClean$Massachusetts[is.na(AllStateClean$Massachusetts)]<- 0
AllStateClean$New_Hampshire[is.na(AllStateClean$New_Hampshire)]<- 0
AllStateClean$North_Carolina[is.na(AllStateClean$North_Carolina)]<- 0
AllStateClean$California[is.na(AllStateClean$California)]<- 0
AllStateClean$South_Carolina[is.na(AllStateClean$South_Carolina)]<- 0
AllStateClean$Hawaii[is.na(AllStateClean$Hawaii)]<- 0
AllStateClean$Iowa[is.na(AllStateClean$Iowa)]<- 0
```

Create Population Time Series for Matching with Incident Frequency

```
# Creating blank frequency starting with earliest date

dat2 <- data.frame(seq(as.Date("2006-06-01"), by="1 month", length.out=174)) # treatment date
names(dat2) <- "yearmonth"
dat2 <- format(dat2, "%Y/%m")

# Population
pop <- read.csv(here::here("Data", "Other_data", "populations.csv")) # starts at 2000.04.01
pop <- pop[c(5, 12, 16, 22, 30, 34, 42),]
# California row 5, Hawaii row 12, Iowa row 16, Massachusetts row 22, New Hampshire row 30, North Carol

datforpop <- data.frame(seq(as.Date("2000-04-01"), by="1 month", length.out=(length(pop)-1)))
names(datforpop) <- "yearmonth"
datforpop <- format(datforpop, "%Y/%m")
datforpop <- rbind("yearmonth", datforpop)
row.names(datforpop) <- 1:nrow(datforpop)

pop <- cbind(datforpop, t(pop))
colnames(pop) <- pop[1,]
pop <- pop[-1,]
rownames(pop) <- seq(1:nrow(pop))
pop <- as.data.frame(pop)

pop[, 2:ncol(pop)] <- sapply(pop[, 2:ncol(pop)], as.numeric)
pop$sevenpop <- rowSums(pop[, 2:ncol(pop)])
```

Identifying treatment and control options

```
# Case 1: Experiment 1
massachusetts <- dplyr::filter(AllStateClean,Massachusetts==1)
massachusetts$reported_date <- substr(massachusetts$reported_date, start=1, stop=10)

#
sevenstates <- AllStateClean %>%
  dplyr::filter(AllStateClean$Massachusetts == 1 | AllStateClean$New_Hampsh
                AllStateClean$California == 1 | AllStateClean$South_Carol
```

Experiment 1: Collect all breaches accross relevant collecting states

```
treatment <- sevenstates # This Must Be Filled in to Work Properly!

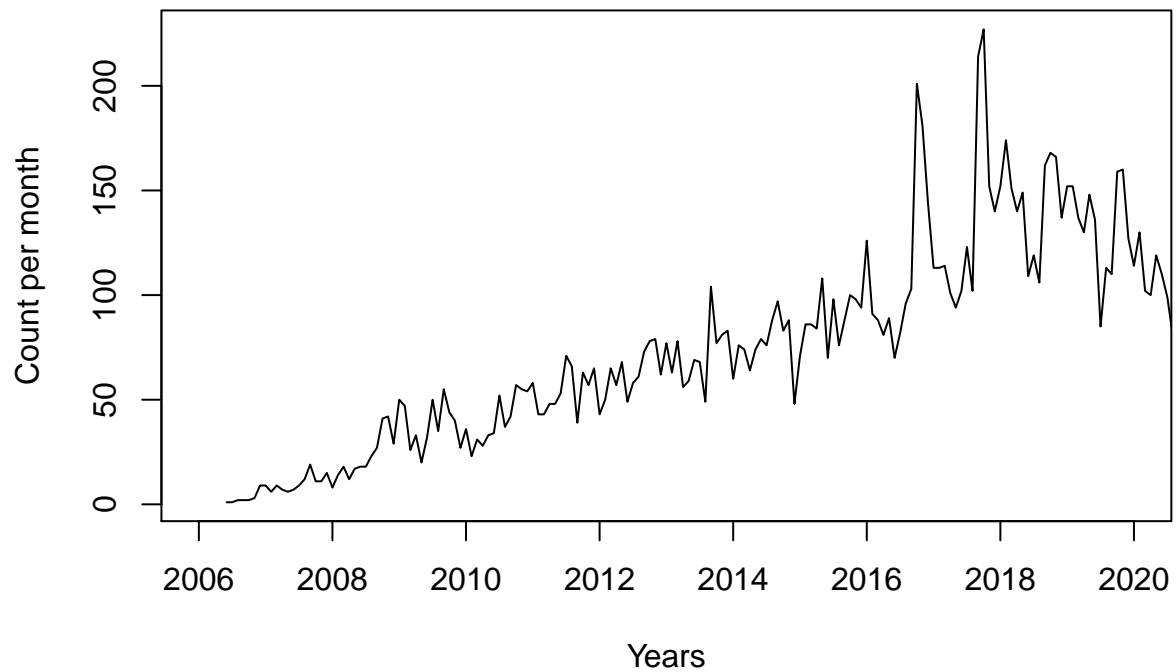
# Format treatment dates into months
treatment$date_formatted <- format(as.Date(treatment$reported_date, "%Y-%m-%d"), "%Y/%m") # Alternative
treatment_freq <- treatment %>%
  dplyr::group_by(treatment$date_formatted) %>%
  dplyr::summarise(frequency = n(),)

## `summarise()` ungrouping output (override with `.groups` argument)
names(treatment_freq)[1] <- "yearmonth"
treatment_freq$frequency[is.na(treatment_freq$frequency)]<-0

treatment_ts <- ts(treatment_freq$frequency, frequency = 12, start = c(2006,6))

plot.ts(treatment_ts, main = "Breaches over time", xlim=c(2006,2020), xlab = "Years", ylab = "Count per
```

Breaches over time



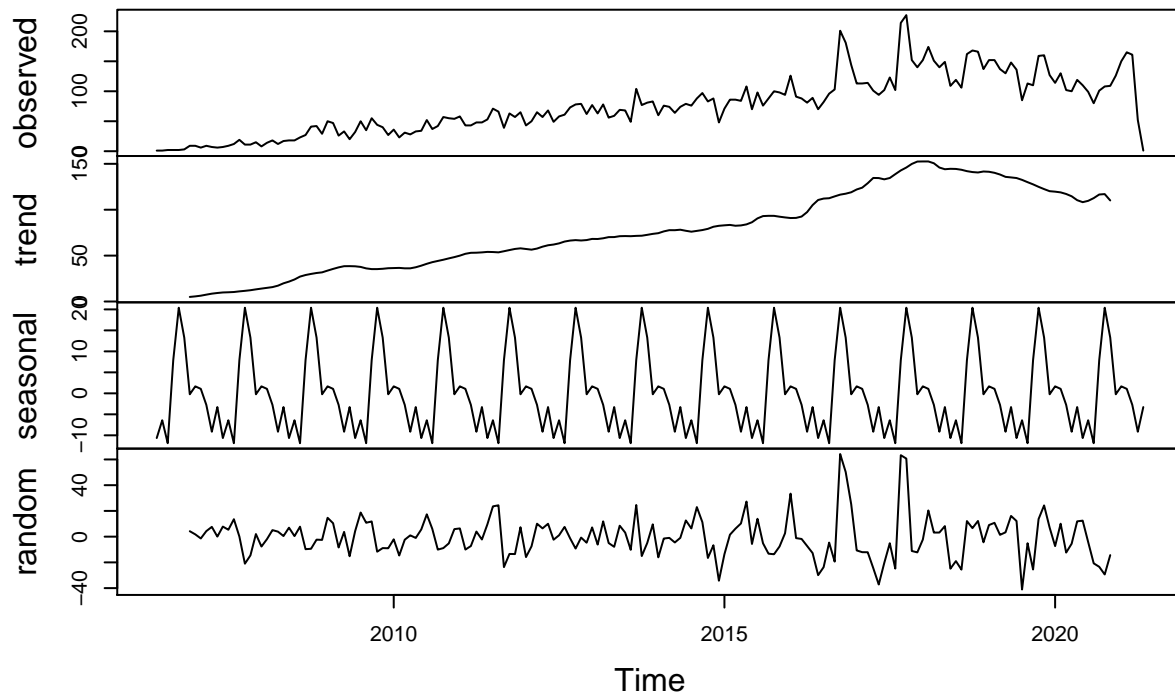
```
summary(treatment_ts)
```

```
##      Min. 1st Qu.  Median    Mean 3rd Qu.    Max.
##      1.00   40.75   72.00   76.07  106.50   227.00
```

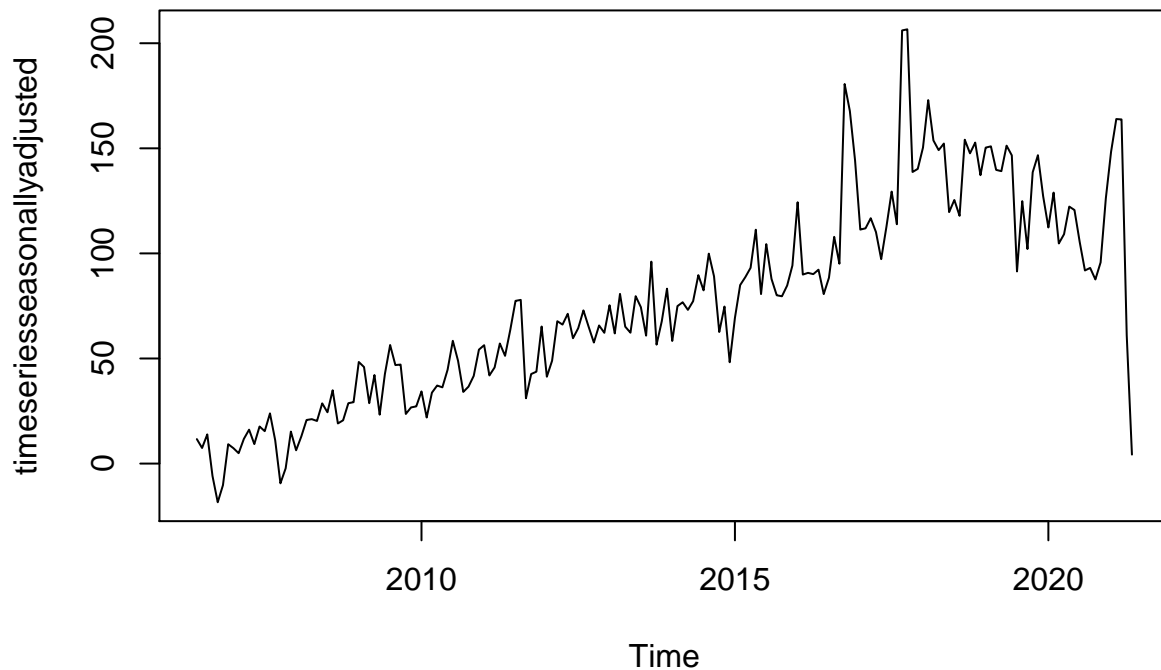
Decompose the Massachusetts Data to Find Seasonal Patterns

```
timeseriescomponents <- decompose(treatment_ts)
plot(timeseriescomponents)
```

Decomposition of additive time series



```
timeseriesseasonallyadjusted <- treatment_ts - timeseriescomponents$seasonal  
plot(timeseriesseasonallyadjusted)
```



Create charts with breaches per million residents

```
# Merge Treatment Together with Population Statistics
comb_ts <- merge(treatment_freq, pop, by='yearmonth', all.y = TRUE)
comb_ts$frequency[is.na(comb_ts$frequency)]<-0

comb_ts$sevenpop <- as.numeric(as.character(comb_ts$sevenpop))
comb_ts$treatpermil <- comb_ts$frequency/(comb_ts$sevenpop/1000000)
comb_ts$treatpermil
```

```
## [1] 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000
## [7] 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000
## [13] 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000
## [19] 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000
## [25] 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000
## [31] 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000
## [37] 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000
## [43] 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000
## [49] 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000
## [55] 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.01651349 0.00000000
## [61] 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000
## [67] 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.01639629 0.03276818 0.03274383 0.03271952
## [73] 0.04904285 0.14701946 0.14691053 0.09786784 0.14668925 0.11400426
## [79] 0.09764316 0.11382991 0.14624092 0.19483902 0.30825977 0.17833013
## [85] 0.17819429 0.24280725 0.12939871 0.22627563 0.29064977 0.19358283
```

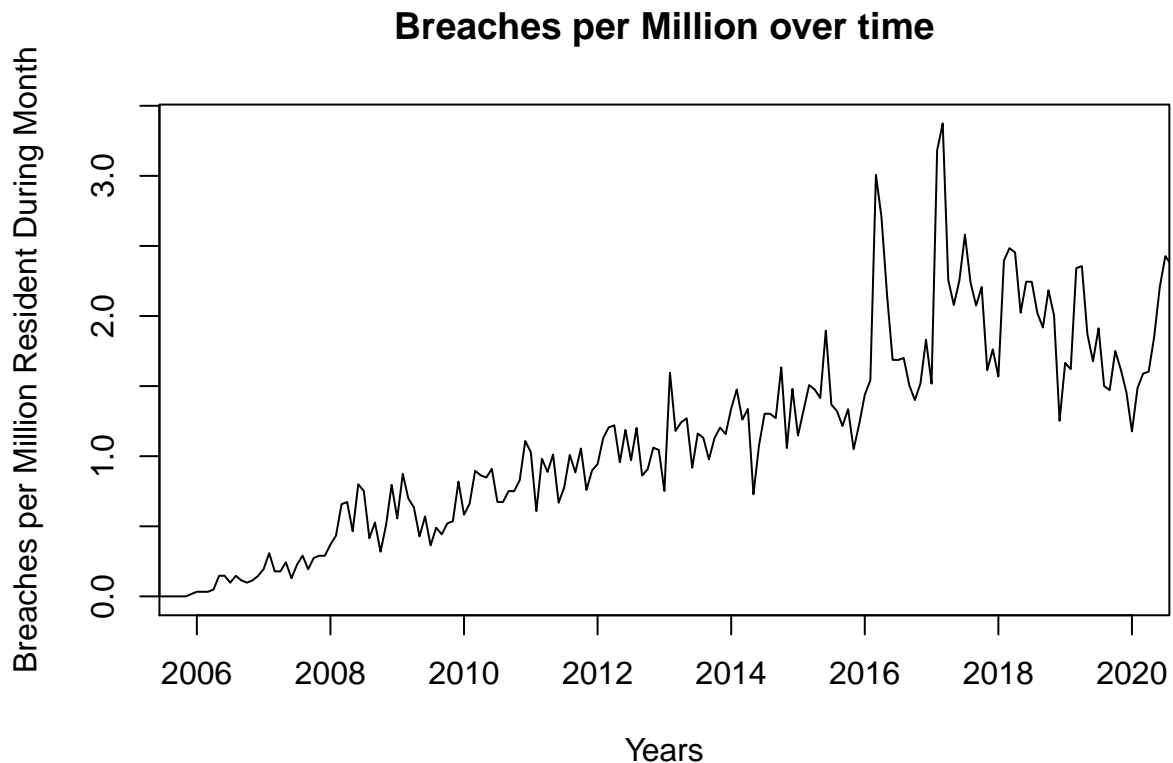
```
## [91] 0.27398260 0.28982475 0.28955079 0.36963216 0.43350662 0.65766733
## [97] 0.67307357 0.46430402 0.79977171 0.75107945 0.41513840 0.52645996
## [103] 0.31879652 0.50964294 0.79564406 0.55648050 0.87373150 0.69839593
## [109] 0.63437057 0.42783975 0.56997328 0.36384363 0.48999178 0.44220697
## [115] 0.52074156 0.53607837 0.81920772 0.58241704 0.66057719 0.89575938
## [121] 0.86361809 0.84728757 0.90937569 0.67369344 0.67323622 0.75100985
## [127] 0.75050085 0.82811677 1.10861316 1.02984476 0.60813332 0.98170568
## [133] 0.88761036 1.01150449 0.66869808 0.77703211 1.00945350 0.88461037
## [139] 1.05460660 0.75942042 0.89829501 0.94411706 1.12907834 1.20559440
## [145] 1.22022335 0.95699512 1.18772194 0.97111532 1.20150671 0.86202764
## [151] 0.90758421 1.06068391 1.04459507 0.75220724 1.59542858 1.18042265
## [157] 1.24089438 1.27066501 0.91792592 1.16191286 1.13052397 0.97704903
## [163] 1.12890303 1.20431687 1.15775390 1.33959815 1.47554700 1.26167952
## [169] 1.33672942 0.72860505 1.07696007 1.30355763 1.30266593 1.27150162
## [175] 1.63367107 1.05813802 1.48038264 1.14726921 1.32751201 1.50750938
## [181] 1.47635406 1.41513200 1.89559031 1.36810795 1.32219464 1.21627460
## [187] 1.33558241 1.04981547 1.22903195 1.43798749 1.54189863 3.00711150
## [193] 2.70624495 2.15172230 1.68747571 1.68644841 1.70048915 1.50579166
## [199] 1.40070281 1.51912344 1.83093473 1.51754966 3.18223024 3.37379655
## [205] 2.25793768 2.07860435 2.25560448 2.58074020 2.23874963 2.07486683
## [211] 2.20740564 1.61419542 1.76161245 1.56856726 2.39632780 2.48413091
## [217] 2.45362019 2.02420246 2.24497315 2.24411647 2.02206173 1.91817966
## [223] 2.18313084 2.00552981 1.25308729 1.66537897 1.62068866 2.34194307
## [229] 2.35597970 1.86950945 1.67764946 1.91254725 1.50061399 1.47119019
## [235] 1.75071633 1.61830921 1.45647829 1.17695215 1.48590209 1.58888541
## [241] 1.60359731 1.85369964 2.20678529 2.42746381 2.36861621 0.76501890
## [247] 0.01471190 0.00000000 0.00000000
```

```
treatment_tsM <- ts(comb_ts$treatpermil, frequency = 12, start = c(2000,4))
treatment_tsM
```

```
##           Jan           Feb           Mar           Apr           May           Jun
## 2000                0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000
## 2001 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000
## 2002 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000
## 2003 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000
## 2004 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000
## 2005 0.00000000 0.01651349 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000
## 2006 0.03276818 0.03274383 0.03271952 0.04904285 0.14701946 0.14691053
## 2007 0.19483902 0.30825977 0.17833013 0.17819429 0.24280725 0.12939871
## 2008 0.36963216 0.43350662 0.65766733 0.67307357 0.46430402 0.79977171
## 2009 0.55648050 0.87373150 0.69839593 0.63437057 0.42783975 0.56997328
## 2010 0.58241704 0.66057719 0.89575938 0.86361809 0.84728757 0.90937569
## 2011 1.02984476 0.60813332 0.98170568 0.88761036 1.01150449 0.66869808
## 2012 0.94411706 1.12907834 1.20559440 1.22022335 0.95699512 1.18772194
## 2013 0.75220724 1.59542858 1.18042265 1.24089438 1.27066501 0.91792592
## 2014 1.33959815 1.47554700 1.26167952 1.33672942 0.72860505 1.07696007
## 2015 1.14726921 1.32751201 1.50750938 1.47635406 1.41513200 1.89559031
## 2016 1.43798749 1.54189863 3.00711150 2.70624495 2.15172230 1.68747571
## 2017 1.51754966 3.18223024 3.37379655 2.25793768 2.07860435 2.25560448
## 2018 1.56856726 2.39632780 2.48413091 2.45362019 2.02420246 2.24497315
## 2019 1.66537897 1.62068866 2.34194307 2.35597970 1.86950945 1.67764946
## 2020 1.17695215 1.48590209 1.58888541 1.60359731 1.85369964 2.20678529
##           Jul           Aug           Sep           Oct           Nov           Dec
## 2000 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000
```

```
## 2001 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000
## 2002 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000
## 2003 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000
## 2004 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000
## 2005 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.01639629
## 2006 0.09786784 0.14668925 0.11400426 0.09764316 0.11382991 0.14624092
## 2007 0.22627563 0.29064977 0.19358283 0.27398260 0.28982475 0.28955079
## 2008 0.75107945 0.41513840 0.52645996 0.31879652 0.50964294 0.79564406
## 2009 0.36384363 0.48999178 0.44220697 0.52074156 0.53607837 0.81920772
## 2010 0.67369344 0.67323622 0.75100985 0.75050085 0.82811677 1.10861316
## 2011 0.77703211 1.00945350 0.88461037 1.05460660 0.75942042 0.89829501
## 2012 0.97111532 1.20150671 0.86202764 0.90758421 1.06068391 1.04459507
## 2013 1.16191286 1.13052397 0.97704903 1.12890303 1.20431687 1.15775390
## 2014 1.30355763 1.30266593 1.27150162 1.63367107 1.05813802 1.48038264
## 2015 1.36810795 1.32219464 1.21627460 1.33558241 1.04981547 1.22903195
## 2016 1.68644841 1.70048915 1.50579166 1.40070281 1.51912344 1.83093473
## 2017 2.58074020 2.23874963 2.07486683 2.20740564 1.61419542 1.76161245
## 2018 2.24411647 2.02206173 1.91817966 2.18313084 2.00552981 1.25308729
## 2019 1.91254725 1.50061399 1.47119019 1.75071633 1.61830921 1.45647829
## 2020 2.42746381 2.36861621 0.76501890 0.01471190 0.00000000 0.00000000
```

```
plot.ts(treatment_tsM, main = "Breaches per Million over time", xlim=c(2006,2020), xlab = "Years", ylab = "Breaches per Million Resident During Month")
```



Identifying and subsetting relevant dates

#June 26, 2012

```
treatment_start <- as.Date("06/26/2012", "%m/%d/%Y")+5 # Legislation H.B. 4144 becomes effective
treatment_start<- format(as.Date(as.character(treatment_start), origin = "1970-01-01"), "%Y/%m")

treatment_end <- as.Date("07/1/2012", "%m/%d/%Y") # post 6 months after enforcement
treatment_end<- format(as.Date(as.character(treatment_end), origin = "1970-01-01"), "%Y/%m")

pretreat <- comb_ts[(which(comb_ts$yearmonth==treatment_start)-6):(which(comb_ts$yearmonth==treatment_s
pretreat$type <- "pretest"

which(comb_ts$yearmonth==treatment_end)

## [1] 148

posttreat <- comb_ts[(which(comb_ts$yearmonth==treatment_end)+1):(which(comb_ts$yearmonth==treatment_en
posttreat$type <- "posttest"

mean(posttreat$treatpermil) - mean(pretreat$treatpermil)

## [1] -0.1358542

mean(posttreat$controlpermil) - mean(pretreat$controlpermil)

## Warning in mean.default(posttreat$controlpermil): argument is not numeric or
## logical: returning NA

## Warning in mean.default(pretreat$controlpermil): argument is not numeric or
## logical: returning NA

## [1] NA

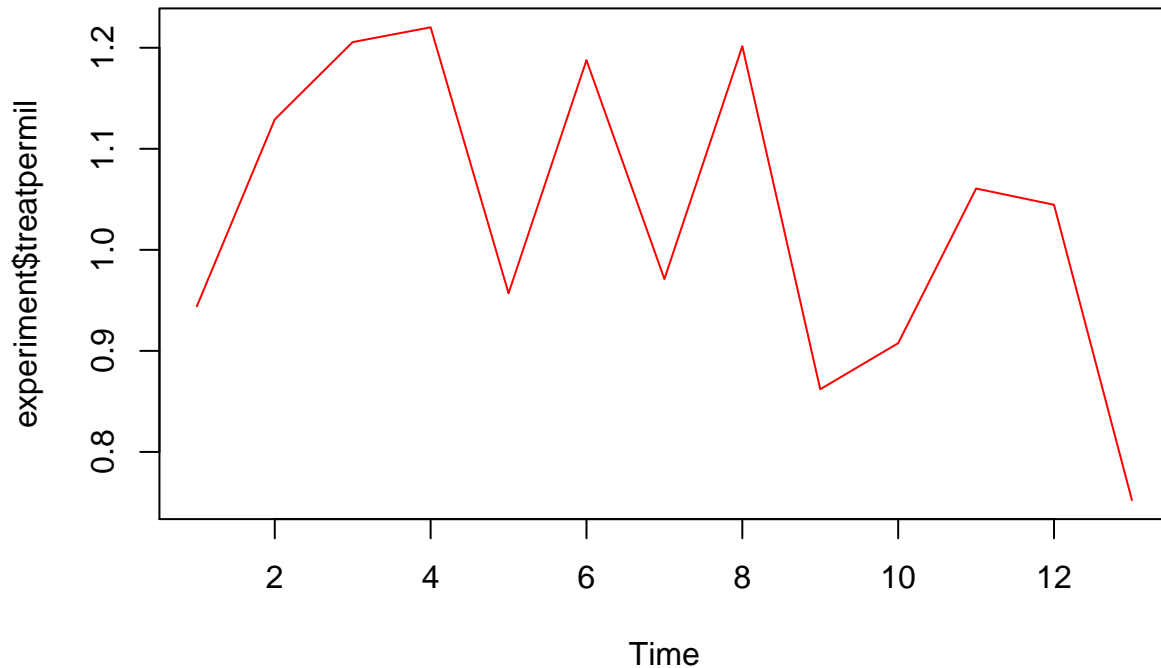
treatment_range <- comb_ts[(which(comb_ts$yearmonth==treatment_start)):(which(comb_ts$yearmonth==treatm
treatment_range$type <- "test"

experiment <- rbind(pretreat,treatment_range,posttreat)
experiment$treatpermil[is.na(experiment$treatpermil)]<-0
experiment
```

##	yearmonth	frequency	California	Hawaii	Iowa	Massachusetts	New Hampshire
## 142	2012/01	61	37793584	1387066	3071263	6638294	1322217
## 143	2012/02	73	37819454	1388356	3072084	6642412	1322553
## 144	2012/03	78	37845323	1389646	3072905	6646531	1322889
## 145	2012/04	79	37871192	1390935	3073726	6650650	1323224
## 146	2012/05	62	37897062	1392225	3074548	6654768	1323560
## 147	2012/06	77	37922931	1393514	3075369	6658886	1323896
## 148	2012/07	63	37948800	1394804	3076190	6663005	1324232
## 149	2012/08	78	37974799	1395924	3077591	6667198	1324431
## 150	2012/09	56	38000798	1397044	3078991	6671390	1324630
## 151	2012/10	59	38026797	1398164	3080392	6675582	1324830
## 152	2012/11	69	38052796	1399284	3081792	6679775	1325029
## 153	2012/12	68	38078795	1400404	3083193	6683968	1325228
## 154	2013/01	49	38104794	1401524	3084594	6688160	1325427
##	North Carolina	South Carolina	sevenpop	treatpermil		type	

```
## 142      9703534      4694674 64610632 0.9441171 pretest
## 143      9711191      4698454 64654504 1.1290783 pretest
## 144      9718848      4702234 64698376 1.2055944 pretest
## 145      9726505      4706014 64742246 1.2202233 pretest
## 146      9734162      4709794 64786119 0.9569951 pretest
## 147      9741819      4713574 64829989 1.1877219 pretest
## 148      9749476      4717354 64873861 0.9711153 test
## 149      9757298      4721248 64918489 1.2015067 posttest
## 150      9765119      4725142 64963114 0.8620276 posttest
## 151      9772941      4729036 65007742 0.9075842 posttest
## 152      9780763      4732929 65052368 1.0606839 posttest
## 153      9788584      4736823 65096995 1.0445951 posttest
## 154      9796406      4740717 65141622 0.7522072 posttest
```

```
ts.plot(experiment$treatpermil, col = "red")
```



```
# Look at Raw Frequency Counts
```

```
treatment_ts <- ts(experiment$frequency, frequency = 12, start = c(2011,7))
treatment_ts
```

```
##      Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec
## 2011      61 73 78 79 62 77
## 2012 63 78 56 59 69 68 49
```

```
# Look at Treatment and Control per Million
```

```
treatment_tsM <- ts(experiment$treatpermil, frequency = 12, start = c(2011,7))
```

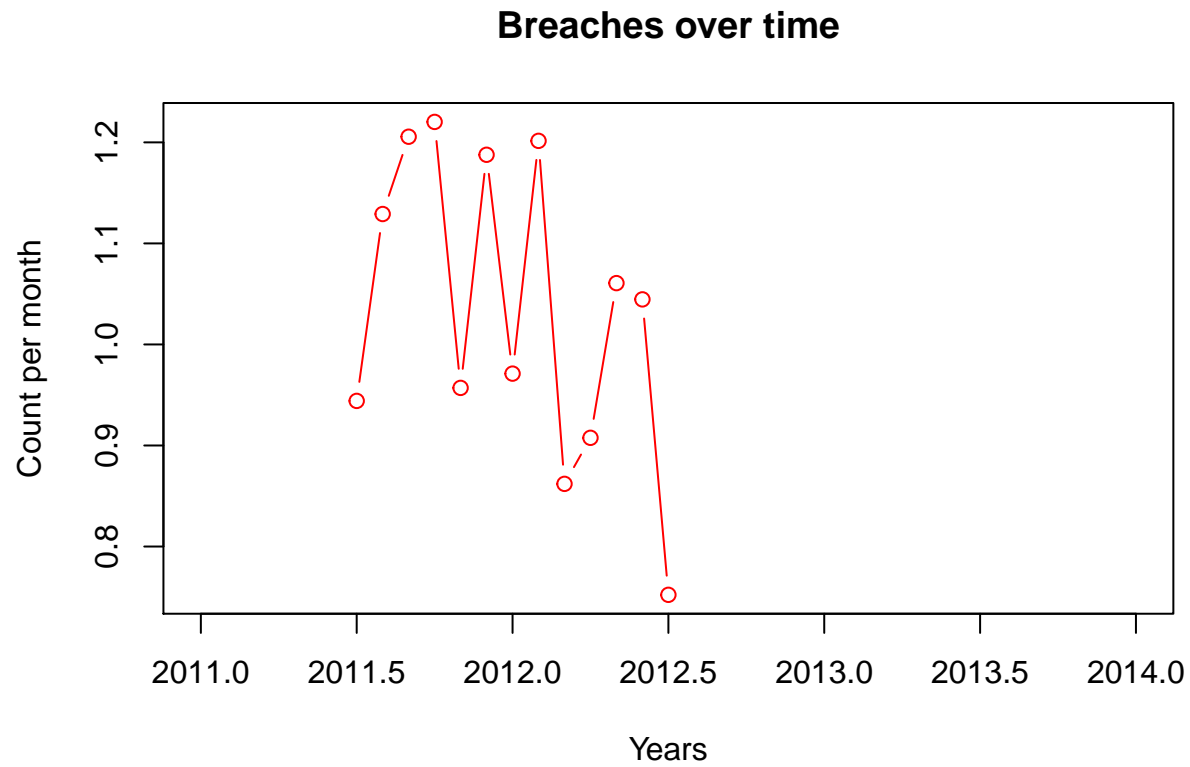
```
mean(treatment_tsM)
```

```
## [1] 1.034112
```

```
sd(treatment_tsM)
```

```
## [1] 0.1496113
```

```
ts.plot(treatment_tsM, main = "Breaches over time", xlim=c(2011,2014),  
        gpars = list(col = c("red")), type = "b", xlab = "Years", ylab = "Count per month")
```

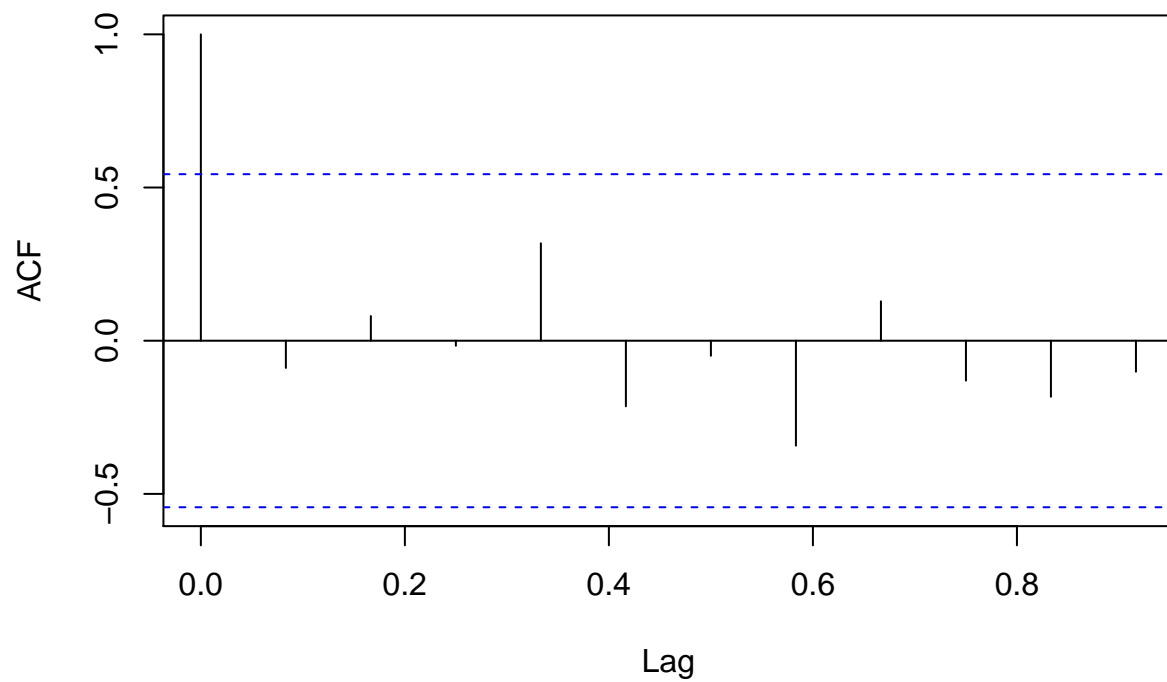


Run Statistical Tests on Time Series for Stationarity

```
# source of statistical tests http://r-statistics.co/Time-Series-Analysis-With-R.html
```

```
acftreatmentMA <- acf(treatment_ts) # autocorrelation (i.e. a Time Series with lags of itself)
```

Series treatment_ts



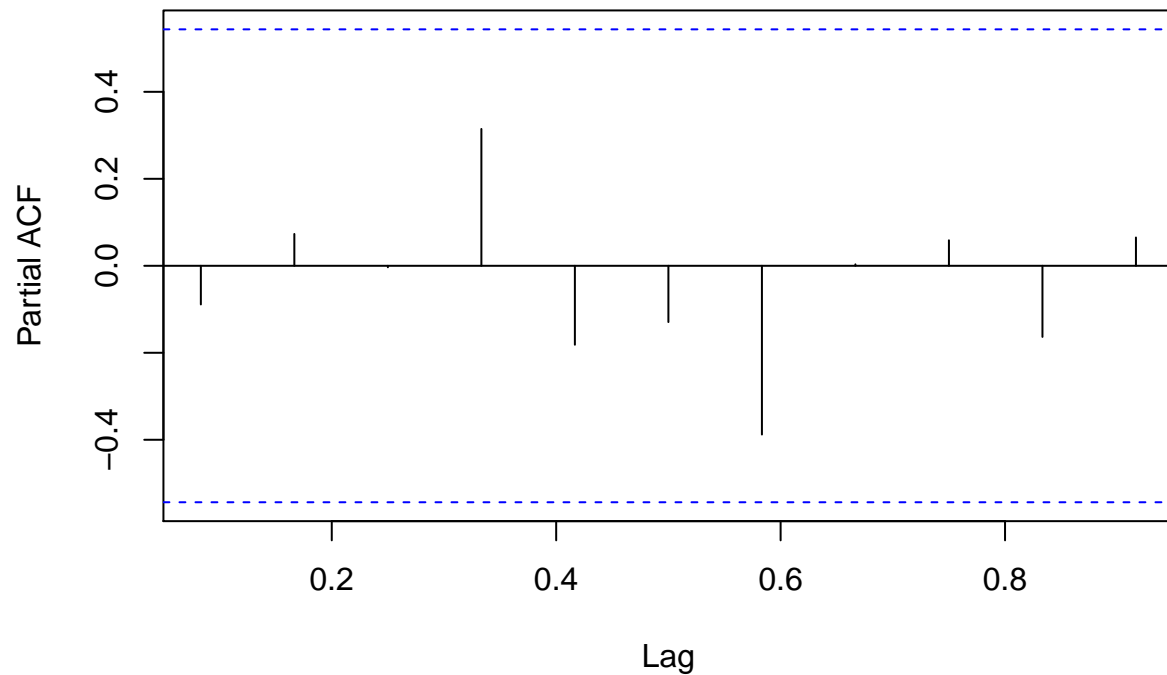
```
# shows that the control time series is a "stationary time series"
```

```
# png(here::here("Output","acttreatmentMA.png"))
```

```
# plot(acftreatmentMA)
```

```
pacftreatment <- pacf(treatment_ts) # partial autocorrelation (i.e. correlation of the time series with
```

Series treatment_ts



```
# png(here::here("Output", "pacftreatmentNH.png"))
# plot(pacftreatmentMA)
```

```
treatment_ts
```

```
##      Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec
## 2011          61 73 78 79 62 77
## 2012 63 78 56 59 69 68 49
```

```
# adf test is an Augmented Dickey-Fuller Test
```

```
adf.test(treatment_ts) # p-value < 0.05 indicates the TS is stationary
```

```
## Warning in adf.test(treatment_ts): p-value smaller than printed p-value
```

```
##
```

```
## Augmented Dickey-Fuller Test
```

```
##
```

```
## data: treatment_ts
```

```
## Dickey-Fuller = -5.039, Lag order = 2, p-value = 0.01
```

```
## alternative hypothesis: stationary
```

```
kpss.test(treatment_ts) # Kwiatkowski-Phillips-Schmidt-Shin (KPSS) testz
```

```
##
```

```
## KPSS Test for Level Stationarity
```

```
##
```

```
## data: treatment_ts
```

```
## KPSS Level = 0.35962, Truncation lag parameter = 2, p-value = 0.09456
```

ITS analyses use regression-based techniques

```
quasiexp <- experiment[experiment$type != "test",]
quasiexp
```

```
##      yearmonth frequency California  Hawaii    Iowa Massachusetts New Hampshire
## 142    2012/01         61   37793584 1387066 3071263         6638294         1322217
## 143    2012/02         73   37819454 1388356 3072084         6642412         1322553
## 144    2012/03         78   37845323 1389646 3072905         6646531         1322889
## 145    2012/04         79   37871192 1390935 3073726         6650650         1323224
## 146    2012/05         62   37897062 1392225 3074548         6654768         1323560
## 147    2012/06         77   37922931 1393514 3075369         6658886         1323896
## 149    2012/08         78   37974799 1395924 3077591         6667198         1324431
## 150    2012/09         56   38000798 1397044 3078991         6671390         1324630
## 151    2012/10         59   38026797 1398164 3080392         6675582         1324830
## 152    2012/11         69   38052796 1399284 3081792         6679775         1325029
## 153    2012/12         68   38078795 1400404 3083193         6683968         1325228
## 154    2013/01         49   38104794 1401524 3084594         6688160         1325427
##      North Carolina South Carolina sevenpop treatpermil      type
## 142          9703534          4694674 64610632    0.9441171  pretest
## 143          9711191          4698454 64654504    1.1290783  pretest
## 144          9718848          4702234 64698376    1.2055944  pretest
## 145          9726505          4706014 64742246    1.2202233  pretest
## 146          9734162          4709794 64786119    0.9569951  pretest
## 147          9741819          4713574 64829989    1.1877219  pretest
## 149          9757298          4721248 64918489    1.2015067 posttest
## 150          9765119          4725142 64963114    0.8620276 posttest
## 151          9772941          4729036 65007742    0.9075842 posttest
## 152          9780763          4732929 65052368    1.0606839 posttest
## 153          9788584          4736823 65096995    1.0445951 posttest
## 154          9796406          4740717 65141622    0.7522072 posttest
```

Added dummy variables for ITS

```
treatment <- as.data.frame(t(rbind(quasiexp$yearmonth,quasiexp$treatpermil)))
time <- 1:nrow(treatment)
treatment$time <- as.vector(time)
treatment$z <- c(rep(0,6),1:(nrow(treatment)-6))
treatment
```

```
##      V1      V2 time z
## 1 2012/01 0.944117061105361 1 0
## 2 2012/02 1.12907833922908 2 0
## 3 2012/03 1.20559440317327 3 0
## 4 2012/04 1.22022334535629 4 0
## 5 2012/05 0.95699512421789 5 0
## 6 2012/06 1.1877219352914 6 0
## 7 2012/08 1.20150670789642 7 1
## 8 2012/09 0.86202764233254 8 2
## 9 2012/10 0.907584207431786 9 3
## 10 2012/11 1.06068390930827 10 4
## 11 2012/12 1.04459506925012 11 5
```

```
## 12 2013/01 0.752207244701398 12 6
AppendITS <- treatment
names(AppendITS) <- c("yearmonth", "incident_permil", "time", "z")
AppendITS$incident_permil <- as.numeric(as.character(AppendITS$incident_permil))
AppendITS$time <- as.numeric(as.character(AppendITS$time))
AppendITS$z <- as.numeric(as.character(AppendITS$z))
AppendITS

##   yearmonth incident_permil time z
## 1   2012/01         0.9441171  1 0
## 2   2012/02         1.1290783  2 0
## 3   2012/03         1.2055944  3 0
## 4   2012/04         1.2202233  4 0
## 5   2012/05         0.9569951  5 0
## 6   2012/06         1.1877219  6 0
## 7   2012/08         1.2015067  7 1
## 8   2012/09         0.8620276  8 2
## 9   2012/10         0.9075842  9 3
## 10  2012/11         1.0606839 10 4
## 11  2012/12         1.0445951 11 5
## 12  2013/01         0.7522072 12 6

factor_cols <- c("time", "z")

sapply(AppendITS, class)

##   yearmonth incident_permil      time      z
##   "character"      "numeric"  "numeric"  "numeric"

regTest <- lm(incident_permil ~ time + z + z*time, AppendITS)
summary(regTest)

##
## Call:
## lm(formula = incident_permil ~ time + z + z * time, data = AppendITS)
##
## Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -0.17855 -0.11301  0.04307  0.10723  0.14204
##
## Coefficients:
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)  1.038719   0.132480   7.841 5.05e-05 ***
## time          0.019152   0.032917   0.582   0.577
## z           -0.092520   0.189044  -0.489   0.638
## time:z        0.002105   0.014483   0.145   0.888
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 0.1448 on 8 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.3652, Adjusted R-squared:  0.1271
## F-statistic: 1.534 on 3 and 8 DF, p-value: 0.2789
```