

# Patronage Forecasting

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## Libraries

```
library(tidyverse)
```

```
## -- Attaching packages ----- tidyverse 1.3.1 --
```

```
## v ggplot2 3.3.6      v purrr   0.3.4
## v tibble  3.1.7      v dplyr   1.0.9
## v tidyr   1.2.0      v stringr 1.4.0
## v readr   2.1.2      v forcats 0.5.1
```

```
## -- Conflicts ----- tidyverse_conflicts() --
## x dplyr::filter() masks stats::filter()
## x dplyr::lag()     masks stats::lag()
```

```
library(fpp3)
```

```
## -- Attaching packages ----- fpp3 0.4.0 --
```

```
## v lubridate 1.8.0      v feasts   0.2.2
## v tsibble   1.1.1      v fable    0.3.1
## v tsibbledata 0.4.0
```

```
## -- Conflicts ----- fpp3_conflicts --
## x lubridate::date()   masks base::date()
## x dplyr::filter()     masks stats::filter()
## x tsibble::intersect() masks base::intersect()
## x tsibble::interval() masks lubridate::interval()
## x dplyr::lag()         masks stats::lag()
## x tsibble::setdiff()  masks base::setdiff()
## x tsibble::union()    masks base::union()
```

```
library(readxl)
library(janitor)
```

```
##
## Attaching package: 'janitor'
```

```
## The following objects are masked from 'package:stats':  
##  
##   chisq.test, fisher.test
```

```
library(lubridate)  
library(scales)
```

```
##  
## Attaching package: 'scales'
```

```
## The following object is masked from 'package:purrr':  
##  
##   discard
```

```
## The following object is masked from 'package:readr':  
##  
##   col_factor
```

## Data

```
## Historic Population  
  
erp_victoria <- read_xlsx("Data/ERP - Victoria.xlsx", skip = 2) %>%  
  filter(is.na(Number) == F) %>%  
  clean_names() %>%  
  mutate(date = dmy(paste("01-07", year_ending_june_30, sep = "-"))) %>%  
  select(date,  
         erp_victoria = number)  
  
erp_melb <- read_xlsx("Data/ERP - Greater Melbourne.xlsx", skip = 2) %>%  
  filter(is.na(Number) == F) %>%  
  clean_names() %>%  
  mutate(date = dmy(paste("01-07", year_ending_june_30, sep = "-"))) %>%  
  select(date,  
         erp_greater_melbourne = number)
```

### ## Forecasted Population

```
abs_victoria <- read_xlsx("Data/Projected population, components of change and summary statistics, 2022 (base) to 2071.xlsx", sheet = "Vic.", skip = 48, n_max = 1) %>%
  select(-`Total growth`:-`145339`) %>%
  pivot_longer(everything(), names_to = "discard", values_to = "erp_victoria") %>%
  mutate(year = seq(from = 2024, to = 2071)) %>%
  mutate(date = dmy(paste("01-07", year, sep = "-"))) %>%
  select(date,
         erp_victoria) %>%
  filter(date <= "2029-07-01")

abs_melb <- read_xlsx("Data/Projected population, components of change and summary statistics, 2022 (base) to 2071.xlsx", sheet = "Greater Melbourne", skip = 48, n_max = 1) %>%
  select(-`Total growth`:-`129347`) %>%
  pivot_longer(everything(), names_to = "discard", values_to = "erp_greater_melbourne") %>%
  mutate(year = seq(from = 2024, to = 2071)) %>%
  mutate(date = dmy(paste("01-07", year, sep = "-"))) %>%
  select(date,
         erp_greater_melbourne) %>%
  filter(date <= "2029-07-01")
```

### # Combined Population

```
population_combined <- bind_rows(erp_victoria, abs_victoria) %>%
  left_join(
    bind_rows(erp_melb,
              abs_melb),
    by = "date"
  )
```

### # Historic Jobs

```
historic_jobs <- read_csv("Data/employment-by-block-by-clue-industry.csv") %>%
  clean_names() %>%
  filter(clue_small_area %in% c("Melbourne (CBD)", "City of Melbourne (total)")) %>%
  group_by(census_year, clue_small_area) %>%
  summarise(jobs = sum(total_jobs_in_block, na.rm = TRUE)) %>%
  pivot_wider(names_from = clue_small_area, values_from = jobs) %>%
  clean_names() %>%
  ungroup() %>%
  mutate(date = dmy(paste("01-07", census_year, sep = "-"))) %>%
  select(date,
         city_of_melbourne_jobs = city_of_melbourne_total,
         melbourne_cbd_jobs = melbourne_cbd) %>%
  filter(date != "2023-07-01")
```

```
## Rows: 13000 Columns: 24
## -- Column specification -----
## Delimiter: ","
## chr (1): CLUE small area
## dbl (23): Census year, Block ID, Accommodation, Admin and Support Services, ...
##
## i Use `spec()` to retrieve the full column specification for this data.
## i Specify the column types or set `show_col_types = FALSE` to quiet this message.
## `summarise()` has grouped output by 'census_year'. You can override using the `.groups` argument.
```

### # Forecasted Jobs

```
forecasted_jobs <- read_csv("Data/city-of-melbourne-jobs-forecasts-by-small-area-2020-2040.csv") %>%
  clean_names() %>%
  filter(geography %in% c("Melbourne (CBD)", "City of Melbourne"),
         industry_space_use == "Total Jobs",
         category == "Jobs by industry") %>%
  select(geography, year, value) %>%
  pivot_wider(names_from = geography, values_from = value) %>%
  clean_names() %>%
  mutate(date = dmy(paste("01-07", year, sep = "-"))) %>%
  select(date,
         city_of_melbourne_jobs = city_of_melbourne,
         melbourne_cbd_jobs = melbourne_cbd) %>%
  filter(date <= "2029-07-01")
```

```
## Rows: 8505 Columns: 5
## -- Column specification -----
## Delimiter: ","
## chr (3): Geography, Category, Industry Space Use
## dbl (2): Year, Value
##
## i Use `spec()` to retrieve the full column specification for this data.
## i Specify the column types or set `show_col_types = FALSE` to quiet this message.
```

### # Combined Jobs

```
jobs_combined <- bind_rows(historic_jobs, forecasted_jobs)
```

```
touch_ons_monthly <- read_csv("Data/monthly_touch_ons.csv") %>%
  mutate(date = ym(`Calendar Mth`)) %>%
  select(date, touch_ons = `Myki TouchOn`)
```

```
## Rows: 134 Columns: 2
## -- Column specification -----
## Delimiter: ","
## chr (1): Calendar Mth
## dbl (1): Myki TouchOn
##
## i Use `spec()` to retrieve the full column specification for this data.
## i Specify the column types or set `show_col_types = FALSE` to quiet this message.
```

```
## WHF Data
```

```
wfh_pre_cov <- 5
wfh_cov <- 0
wfh_2022 <- 2
wfh_2023 <- 2.5
wfh_2024 <- 3
wfh_growth_rate_slow <- 0.025
wfh_growth_rate_med <- 0.05
wfh_growth_rate_fast <- 0.10

wfh_data <- tibble(date = seq.Date(from = as_date("2014-07-01"), to = as_date("2029-07-01"),
by = "1 year")) %>%
  mutate(wfh_base_rate = case_when(date <= "2019-07-01" ~ wfh_pre_cov,
                                   date <= "2021-07-01" ~ wfh_cov,
                                   date == "2022-07-01" ~ wfh_2022,
                                   date == "2023-07-01" ~ wfh_2023,
                                   TRUE ~ wfh_2024),
         slow_growth_rate = if_else(date <= "2024-07-01",
                                   1,
                                   1 + wfh_growth_rate_slow),
         wfh_slow_growth = wfh_base_rate * cumprod(slow_growth_rate),
         medium_growth_rate = if_else(date <= "2024-07-01",
                                   1,
                                   1 + wfh_growth_rate_med),
         wfh_medium_growth = wfh_base_rate * cumprod(medium_growth_rate),
         high_growth_rate = if_else(date <= "2024-07-01",
                                   1,
                                   1 + wfh_growth_rate_fast),
         wfh_high_growth = wfh_base_rate * cumprod(high_growth_rate)) %>%
  select(date, wfh_slow_growth, wfh_medium_growth, wfh_high_growth)
```

# Forecast Prep

```
## Lets start with annual for now, can interpolate months later if required
```

```
touch_ons_for_forecast <- touch_ons_monthly %>%  
  mutate(year = year(date)) %>%  
  group_by(year) %>%  
  summarise(touch_ons = sum(touch_ons)) %>%  
  filter(year != 2025) %>%  
  ungroup() %>%  
  mutate(date = dmy(paste("01-07", year, sep = "-"))) %>%  
  select(date, touch_ons)
```

```
forecast_data <- touch_ons_for_forecast %>%  
  left_join(population_combined) %>%  
  left_join(jobs_combined) %>%  
  left_join(wfh_data)
```

```
## Joining, by = "date"  
## Joining, by = "date"  
## Joining, by = "date"
```

```
forecast_data %>%  
  filter(date <= "2019-07-01") %>%  
  select(-date) %>%  
  cor()
```

```
## Warning in cor(.): the standard deviation is zero
```

```
##          touch_ons  erp_victoria  erp_greater_melbourne
## touch_ons          1.0000000    0.9255571            0.9315344
## erp_victoria        0.9255571    1.0000000            0.9998373
## erp_greater_melbourne 0.9315344    0.9998373            1.0000000
## city_of_melbourne_jobs 0.7331661    0.9308269            0.9242525
## melbourne_cbd_jobs    0.6914782    0.8950610            0.8895301
## wfh_slow_growth      NA          NA                  NA
## wfh_medium_growth     NA          NA                  NA
## wfh_high_growth       NA          NA                  NA
##          city_of_melbourne_jobs  melbourne_cbd_jobs
## touch_ons                      0.7331661            0.6914782
## erp_victoria                   0.9308269            0.8950610
## erp_greater_melbourne          0.9242525            0.8895301
## city_of_melbourne_jobs         1.0000000            0.9478659
## melbourne_cbd_jobs             0.9478659            1.0000000
## wfh_slow_growth                NA                  NA
## wfh_medium_growth              NA                  NA
## wfh_high_growth                NA                  NA
##          wfh_slow_growth  wfh_medium_growth  wfh_high_growth
## touch_ons                NA                  NA                  NA
## erp_victoria              NA                  NA                  NA
## erp_greater_melbourne     NA                  NA                  NA
## city_of_melbourne_jobs    NA                  NA                  NA
## melbourne_cbd_jobs        NA                  NA                  NA
## wfh_slow_growth           1                  NA                  NA
## wfh_medium_growth          NA                  1                  NA
## wfh_high_growth           NA                  NA                  1
```

```
forecast_data %>%
  filter(date >= "2022-07-01") %>%
  select(-date) %>%
  cor()
```

```
##          touch_ons  erp_victoria  erp_greater_melbourne
## touch_ons      1.0000000      0.9996651      0.9986353
## erp_victoria    0.9996651      1.0000000      0.9996523
## erp_greater_melbourne 0.9986353      0.9996523      1.0000000
## city_of_melbourne_jobs 0.9585578      0.9508644      0.9423704
## melbourne_cbd_jobs    0.9857654      0.9810846      0.9756394
## wfh_slow_growth      0.9813645      0.9760634      0.9699896
## wfh_medium_growth     0.9813645      0.9760634      0.9699896
## wfh_high_growth      0.9813645      0.9760634      0.9699896
##          city_of_melbourne_jobs  melbourne_cbd_jobs
## touch_ons                        0.9585578      0.9857654
## erp_victoria                    0.9508644      0.9810846
## erp_greater_melbourne            0.9423704      0.9756394
## city_of_melbourne_jobs            1.0000000      0.9928121
## melbourne_cbd_jobs                0.9928121      1.0000000
## wfh_slow_growth                  0.9954393      0.9997016
## wfh_medium_growth                 0.9954393      0.9997016
## wfh_high_growth                   0.9954393      0.9997016
##          wfh_slow_growth  wfh_medium_growth  wfh_high_growth
## touch_ons                0.9813645          0.9813645      0.9813645
## erp_victoria              0.9760634          0.9760634      0.9760634
## erp_greater_melbourne     0.9699896          0.9699896      0.9699896
## city_of_melbourne_jobs    0.9954393          0.9954393      0.9954393
## melbourne_cbd_jobs        0.9997016          0.9997016      0.9997016
## wfh_slow_growth           1.0000000          1.0000000      1.0000000
## wfh_medium_growth          1.0000000          1.0000000      1.0000000
## wfh_high_growth            1.0000000          1.0000000      1.0000000
```

```
forecast_data %>%
  filter(date >= "2019-07-01") %>%
  select(-date) %>%
  cor()
```



```

##          touch_ons  erp_victoria  erp_greater_melbourne
## touch_ons          1.0000000    0.2206047            0.2916083
## erp_victoria        0.2206047    1.0000000            0.9902487
## erp_greater_melbourne 0.2916083    0.9902487            1.0000000
## city_of_melbourne_jobs 0.8200029    0.6635303            0.6858116
## melbourne_cbd_jobs    0.8608595    0.6147971            0.6402535
## wfh_slow_growth      0.9921233    0.1801622            0.2436030
## wfh_medium_growth     0.9921233    0.1801622            0.2436030
## wfh_high_growth       0.9921233    0.1801622            0.2436030
##          city_of_melbourne_jobs  melbourne_cbd_jobs
## touch_ons                        0.8200029            0.8608595
## erp_victoria                    0.6635303            0.6147971
## erp_greater_melbourne           0.6858116            0.6402535
## city_of_melbourne_jobs          1.0000000            0.9943570
## melbourne_cbd_jobs              0.9943570            1.0000000
## wfh_slow_growth                  0.7947805            0.8377939
## wfh_medium_growth                 0.7947805            0.8377939
## wfh_high_growth                   0.7947805            0.8377939
##          wfh_slow_growth  wfh_medium_growth  wfh_high_growth
## touch_ons                0.9921233          0.9921233          0.9921233
## erp_victoria              0.1801622          0.1801622          0.1801622
## erp_greater_melbourne     0.2436030          0.2436030          0.2436030
## city_of_melbourne_jobs    0.7947805          0.7947805          0.7947805
## melbourne_cbd_jobs        0.8377939          0.8377939          0.8377939
## wfh_slow_growth           1.0000000          1.0000000          1.0000000
## wfh_medium_growth         1.0000000          1.0000000          1.0000000
## wfh_high_growth           1.0000000          1.0000000          1.0000000

```

# Forecast Modelling

```
forecast_ts <- forecast_data %>%
  mutate(year = year(date)) %>%
  as_tsibble(index = year)

## Lets try standard arima, vic pop, greater melb pop, com jobs, cbd jobs, wfh

models <- forecast_ts %>%
  model(
    stepwise = ARIMA(touch_ons),
    search = ARIMA(touch_ons, stepwise = FALSE, approximation = FALSE),
    everything = TSLM(touch_ons ~ erp_victoria + erp_greater_melbourne + city_of_melbourne_jobs + melbourne_cbd_jobs + wfh_slow_growth),
    vic_com = TSLM(touch_ons ~ erp_victoria + city_of_melbourne_jobs + wfh_slow_growth),
    melb_cbd = TSLM(touch_ons ~ erp_greater_melbourne + melbourne_cbd_jobs + wfh_slow_growth),
    h),
    vic_pop = TSLM(touch_ons ~ erp_victoria + wfh_slow_growth),
    melb_pop = TSLM(touch_ons ~ erp_greater_melbourne + wfh_slow_growth),
    com_job = TSLM(touch_ons ~ city_of_melbourne_jobs + wfh_slow_growth),
    cbd_job = TSLM(touch_ons ~ melbourne_cbd_jobs + wfh_slow_growth)
  )

models %>%
  report() %>%
  arrange(AICc)
```

```
## Warning in report.mdl_df(.): Model reporting is only supported for individual
## models, so a glance will be shown. To see the report for a specific model, use
## `select()` and `filter()` to identify a single model.
```

```
## # A tibble: 9 x 17
##   .model      sigma2 log_lik  AIC  AICc  BIC ar_roots  ma_roots  r_squared
##   <chr>      <dbl>  <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <list>    <list>    <dbl>
## 1 melb_pop  4.95e13  -187.  351.  358.  353. <NULL>    <NULL>    0.987
## 2 vic_pop   5.40e13  -188.  352.  359.  354. <NULL>    <NULL>    0.986
## 3 com_job   7.05e13  -189.  355.  362.  357. <NULL>    <NULL>    0.981
## 4 cbd_job   7.61e13  -190.  356.  363.  358. <NULL>    <NULL>    0.980
## 5 melb_cbd  4.62e13  -186.  351.  363.  353. <NULL>    <NULL>    0.989
## 6 vic_com   5.39e13  -187.  353.  365.  355. <NULL>    <NULL>    0.987
## 7 everything 4.21e13  -184.  350.  388.  353. <NULL>    <NULL>    0.993
## 8 stepwise  3.01e15  -211.  426.  428.  427. <cpl [0]> <cpl [0]>    NA
## 9 search    3.01e15  -211.  426.  428.  427. <cpl [0]> <cpl [0]>    NA
## # ... with 8 more variables: adj_r_squared <dbl>, statistic <dbl>,
## #   p_value <dbl>, df <int>, CV <dbl>, deviance <dbl>, df.residual <int>,
## #   rank <int>
```

```
## Melb and vic pop seem to be the best models - Lets double check by looking at just data up
## until 2019
```

```
models <- forecast_ts %>%
  filter(year <= 2019) %>%
  model(
    stepwise = ARIMA(touch_ons),
    search = ARIMA(touch_ons, stepwise = FALSE, approximation = FALSE),
    everything = TSLM(touch_ons ~ erp_victoria + erp_greater_melbourne + city_of_melbourne_jobs + melbourne_cbd_jobs + wfh_slow_growth),
    vic_com = TSLM(touch_ons ~ erp_victoria + city_of_melbourne_jobs + wfh_slow_growth),
    melb_cbd = TSLM(touch_ons ~ erp_greater_melbourne + melbourne_cbd_jobs + wfh_slow_growth),
    vic_pop = TSLM(touch_ons ~ erp_victoria + wfh_slow_growth),
    melb_pop = TSLM(touch_ons ~ erp_greater_melbourne + wfh_slow_growth),
    com_job = TSLM(touch_ons ~ city_of_melbourne_jobs + wfh_slow_growth),
    cbd_job = TSLM(touch_ons ~ melbourne_cbd_jobs + wfh_slow_growth)
  )

models %>%
  report() %>%
  arrange(AICc)
```

```
## Warning in report.mdl_df(.): Model reporting is only supported for individual
## models, so a glance will be shown. To see the report for a specific model, use
## `select()` and `filter()` to identify a single model.
```

```
## # A tibble: 9 x 17
##   .model      sigma2 log_lik  AIC  AICc  BIC ar_roots  ma_roots  r_squared
##   <chr>      <dbl>  <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <list>    <list>    <dbl>
## 1 everything 8.22e12  -92.4  180.  95.7  178. <NULL>    <NULL>    0.987
## 2 melb_pop  2.11e13  -99.3  188.  200.  187. <NULL>    <NULL>    0.868
## 3 vic_pop   2.29e13  -99.6  188.  200.  188. <NULL>    <NULL>    0.857
## 4 com_job   7.39e13  -103.  195.  207.  195. <NULL>    <NULL>    0.538
## 5 cbd_job   8.34e13  -103.  196.  208.  195. <NULL>    <NULL>    0.478
## 6 vic_com   4.25e12  -93.7  178.  218.  177. <NULL>    <NULL>    0.980
## 7 stepwise  1.28e14  -105.  215.  219.  214. <cpl [0]> <cpl [0]>  NA
## 8 search    1.28e14  -105.  215.  219.  214. <cpl [0]> <cpl [0]>  NA
## 9 melb_cbd  8.97e12  -95.9  183.  223.  182. <NULL>    <NULL>    0.958
## # ... with 8 more variables: adj_r_squared <dbl>, statistic <dbl>,
## #   p_value <dbl>, df <int>, CV <dbl>, deviance <dbl>, df.residual <int>,
## #   rank <int>
```

```
## Bit odd that the model with everything did the best here but melb and vic pop are still be
## st of the rest, Lets try one more with trend and seasonal components
```

```
models <- forecast_ts %>%
  model(
    vic_pop = TSLM(touch_ons ~ erp_victoria + wfh_slow_growth),
    melb_pop = TSLM(touch_ons ~ erp_greater_melbourne + wfh_slow_growth),
    vic_pop_w_trend = TSLM(touch_ons ~ erp_victoria + wfh_slow_growth + trend()),
    melb_pop_w_trend = TSLM(touch_ons ~ erp_greater_melbourne + wfh_slow_growth + trend()),
    vic_pop_w_season = TSLM(touch_ons ~ erp_victoria + wfh_slow_growth + season()),
    melb_pop_w_season = TSLM(touch_ons ~ erp_greater_melbourne + wfh_slow_growth + season()),
    vic_pop_w_both = TSLM(touch_ons ~ erp_victoria + wfh_slow_growth + trend() + season()),
    melb_pop_w_both = TSLM(touch_ons ~ erp_greater_melbourne + wfh_slow_growth + trend() + season())
  )
```

```
## Warning: 1 error encountered for vic_pop_w_season
## [1] contrasts can be applied only to factors with 2 or more levels
```

```
## Warning: 1 error encountered for melb_pop_w_season
## [1] contrasts can be applied only to factors with 2 or more levels
```

```
## Warning: 1 error encountered for vic_pop_w_both
## [1] contrasts can be applied only to factors with 2 or more levels
```

```
## Warning: 1 error encountered for melb_pop_w_both
## [1] contrasts can be applied only to factors with 2 or more levels
```

```
models %>%
  report() %>%
  arrange(AICc)
```

```
## Warning in report.mdl_df(.): Model reporting is only supported for individual
## models, so a glance will be shown. To see the report for a specific model, use
## `select()` and `filter()` to identify a single model.
```

```
## # A tibble: 4 x 15
##   .model    r_squared adj_r_squared  sigma2 statistic p_value    df log_lik  AIC
##   <chr>      <dbl>      <dbl>   <dbl>   <dbl>   <dbl> <int>  <dbl> <dbl>
## 1 melb_pop    0.987        0.984 4.95e13    300. 3.01e-8     3   -187.  351.
## 2 vic_pop     0.986        0.982 5.40e13    275. 4.25e-8     3   -188.  352.
## 3 melb_po~    0.992        0.989 3.23e13    308. 8.52e-8     4   -184.  347.
## 4 vic_pop~    0.992        0.989 3.33e13    298. 9.55e-8     4   -184.  348.
## # ... with 6 more variables: AICc <dbl>, BIC <dbl>, CV <dbl>, deviance <dbl>,
## #   df.residual <int>, rank <int>
```

```
## No real change - existing predictors likely already covering trend changes but can still include to compare results
```

## # Model creation

```

candidate_models <- forecast_ts %>%
  model(
    vic_pop = TSLM(touch_ons ~ erp_victoria + wfh_slow_growth),
    melb_pop = TSLM(touch_ons ~ erp_greater_melbourne + wfh_slow_growth),
    vic_pop_w_trend = TSLM(touch_ons ~ erp_victoria + wfh_slow_growth + trend()),
    melb_pop_w_trend = TSLM(touch_ons ~ erp_greater_melbourne + wfh_slow_growth + trend())
  )

future_scenarios <- scenarios(

  wfh_no_growth = new_data(forecast_ts, 5) %>%
    mutate(erp_victoria = filter(population_combined, year(date) >= 2025)$erp_victoria,
           erp_greater_melbourne = filter(population_combined, year(date) >= 2025)$erp_greater_melbo
urne,
           wfh_slow_growth = 3),

  wfh_slow_growth = new_data(forecast_ts, 5) %>%
    mutate(erp_victoria = filter(population_combined, year(date) >= 2025)$erp_victoria,
           erp_greater_melbourne = filter(population_combined, year(date) >= 2025)$erp_greater_melbo
urne,
           wfh_slow_growth = filter(wfh_data, year(date) >= 2025)$wfh_slow_growth),

  wfh_medium_growth = new_data(forecast_ts, 5) %>%
    mutate(erp_victoria = filter(population_combined, year(date) >= 2025)$erp_victoria,
           erp_greater_melbourne = filter(population_combined, year(date) >= 2025)$erp_greater_melbo
urne,
           wfh_slow_growth = filter(wfh_data, year(date) >= 2025)$wfh_medium_growth),

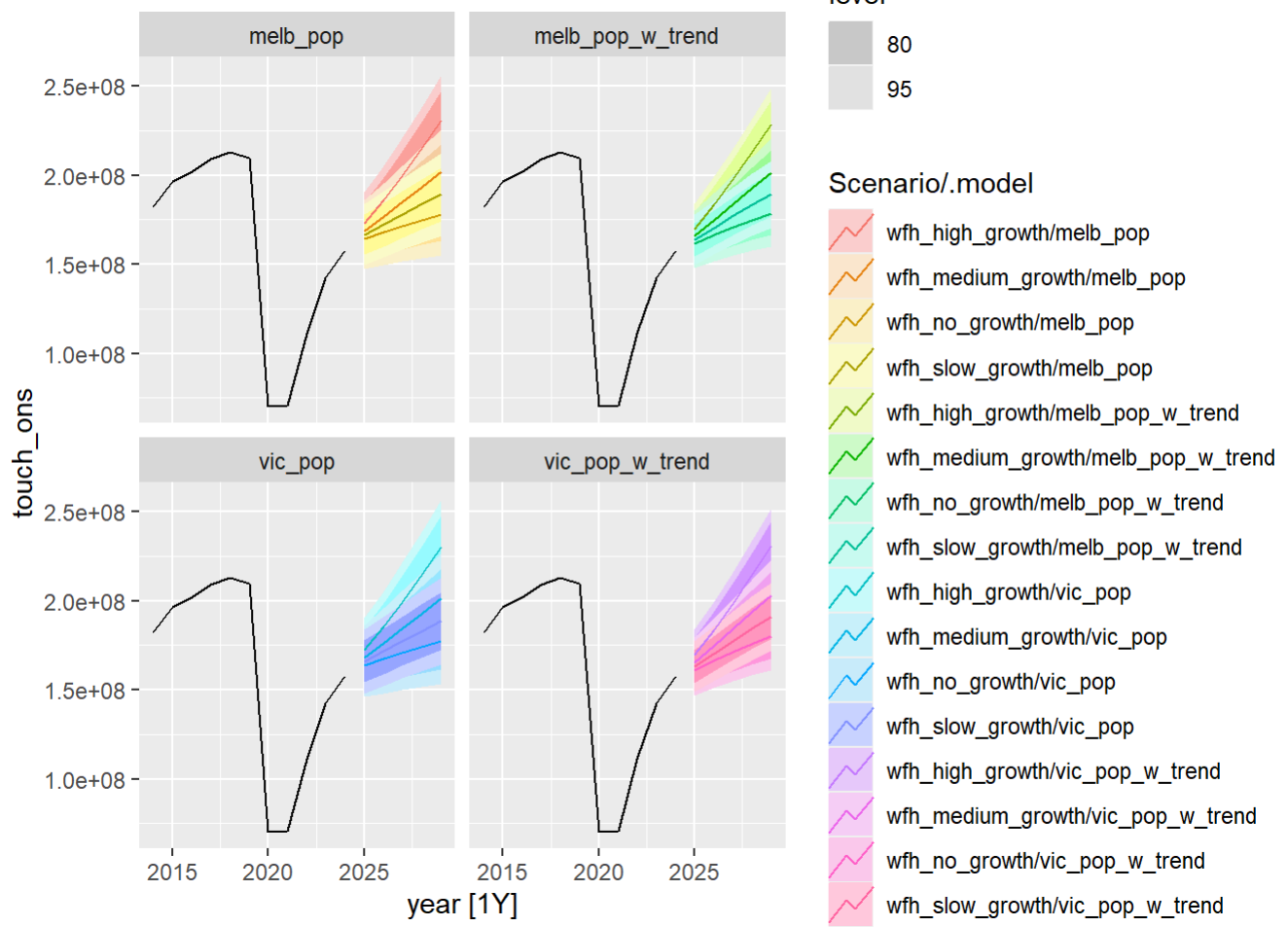
  wfh_high_growth = new_data(forecast_ts, 5) %>%
    mutate(erp_victoria = filter(population_combined, year(date) >= 2025)$erp_victoria,
           erp_greater_melbourne = filter(population_combined, year(date) >= 2025)$erp_greater_melbo
urne,
           wfh_slow_growth = filter(wfh_data, year(date) >= 2025)$wfh_high_growth),

  names_to = "Scenario"
)

scenario_forecast <- forecast(candidate_models,
                             new_data = future_scenarios)

forecast_ts %>%
  autoplot(touch_ons) +
  autolayer(scenario_forecast) +
  facet_wrap(~.model)

```



```

histoic_data <- touch_ons_for_forecast %>%
  mutate(year = year(date)) %>%
  select(year, touch_ons)

histoic_data_for_plot <- histoic_data %>%
  bind_rows(replicate(3, histoic_data, simplify = FALSE)) %>%
  mutate(Scenario = c(rep("wfh_no_growth", 11),
                        rep("wfh_slow_growth", 11),
                        rep("wfh_medium_growth", 11),
                        rep("wfh_high_growth", 11)))

melb_pop_w_trend_forecasts <- scenario_forecast %>%
  filter(.model == "melb_pop_w_trend") %>%
  as_tibble() %>%
  select(Scenario, year, touch_ons = .mean)

plot_data <- histoic_data_for_plot %>%
  bind_rows(melb_pop_w_trend_forecasts) %>%
  mutate(scenario = case_when(
    Scenario == "wfh_no_growth" ~ "WFH - No Growth (3 days per week)",
    Scenario == "wfh_slow_growth" ~ paste("WFH - Slow Growth (3 days per week +", percent(wfh_
_growth_rate_slow, accuracy = .1), "per year)"),
    Scenario == "wfh_medium_growth" ~ paste("WFH - Medium Growth (3 days per week +", percent
(wfh_growth_rate_med, accuracy = .1), "per year)"),
    Scenario == "wfh_high_growth" ~ paste("WFH - High Growth (3 days per week +", percent(wfh_
_growth_rate_fast, accuracy = .1), "per year)"),
  )) %>%
  mutate(scenario = factor(scenario,
                           levels = c(
                             "WFH - No Growth (3 days per week)",
                             paste("WFH - Slow Growth (3 days per week +", percent(wfh_growth
_rate_slow, accuracy = .1), "per year)"),
                             paste("WFH - Medium Growth (3 days per week +", percent(wfh_grow
th_rate_med, accuracy = .1), "per year)"),
                             paste("WFH - High Growth (3 days per week +", percent(wfh_growth
_rate_fast, accuracy = .1), "per year)"),
                           )
  )
  ) %>%
  mutate(period = if_else(year <= 2024, "Historic", "Forecast")) %>%
  filter(year != 2029)

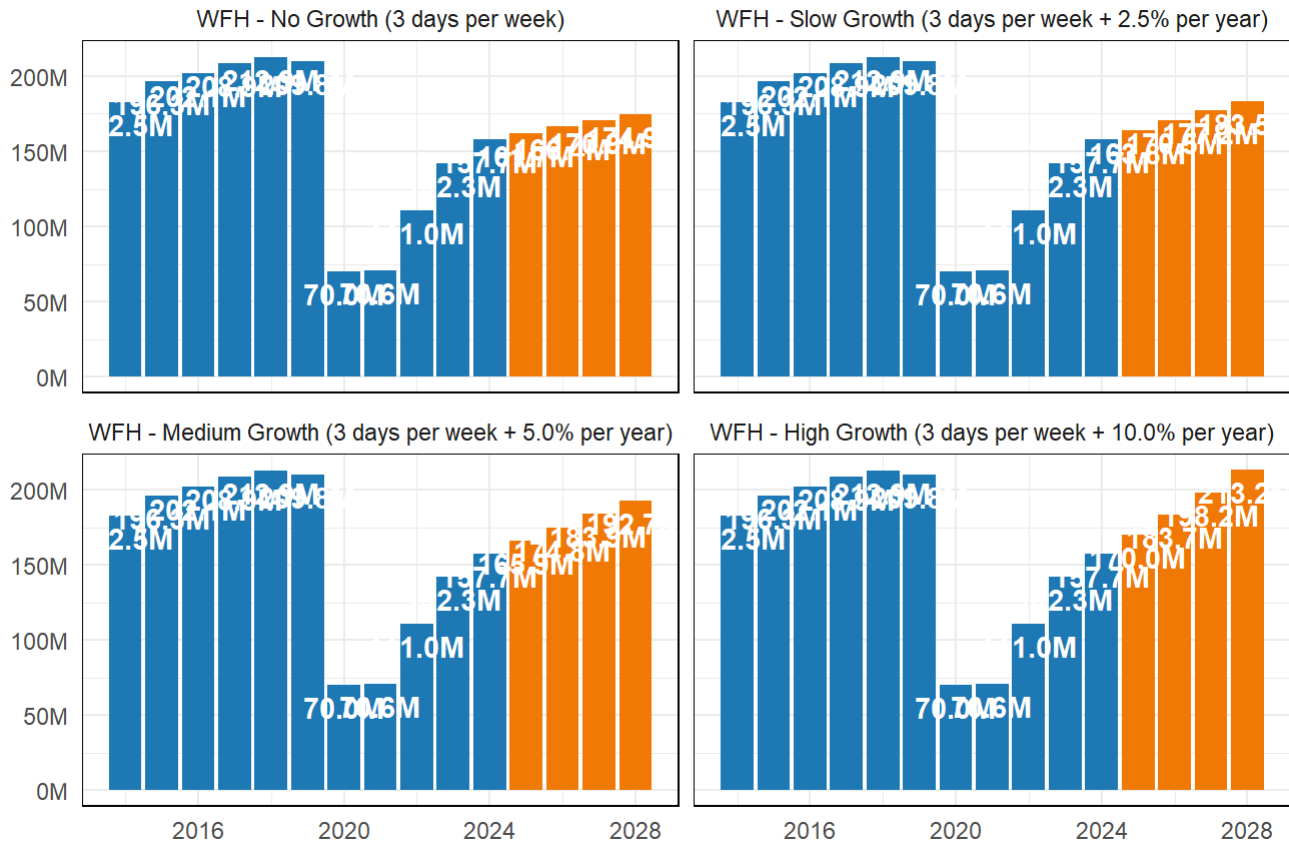
plot <- plot_data %>%
  ggplot(aes(x = year, y = touch_ons, fill = period)) +
  geom_col() +
  geom_text(aes(label = comma(touch_ons, suffix = "M", scale = 0.000001, accuracy = .1)), vju
st = 1.5, colour = "white", fontface = "bold") +
  facet_wrap(~scenario) +
  scale_fill_manual(values = c("Historic" = "#227BB4",
                              "Forecast" = "#F07B05")) +
  theme_minimal() +

```

```
theme(legend.position = "none",
      panel.border = element_rect(fill = NA)) +
labs(x = "", y = "", title = "Patronage Forecasts") +
scale_y_continuous(labels = comma_format(suffix = "M", scale = 0.000001))
```

plot

## Patronage Forecasts



```
plot_data %>%
  filter(year >= 2024) %>%
  select(year, scenario, touch_ons) %>%
  group_by(scenario) %>%
  mutate(touch_ons_2024 = first(touch_ons),
         growth_from_2024 = (touch_ons - touch_ons_2024) / touch_ons,
         annual_growth = (touch_ons - lag(touch_ons)) / touch_ons) %>%
  ungroup() %>%
  select(-touch_ons_2024) %>%
  write_csv("forecast_outcomes.csv")
```

```
options(scipen = 999)
```

```
model_selected <- candidate_models %>%
  select(melb_pop_w_trend)
```

```
report(model_selected)
```

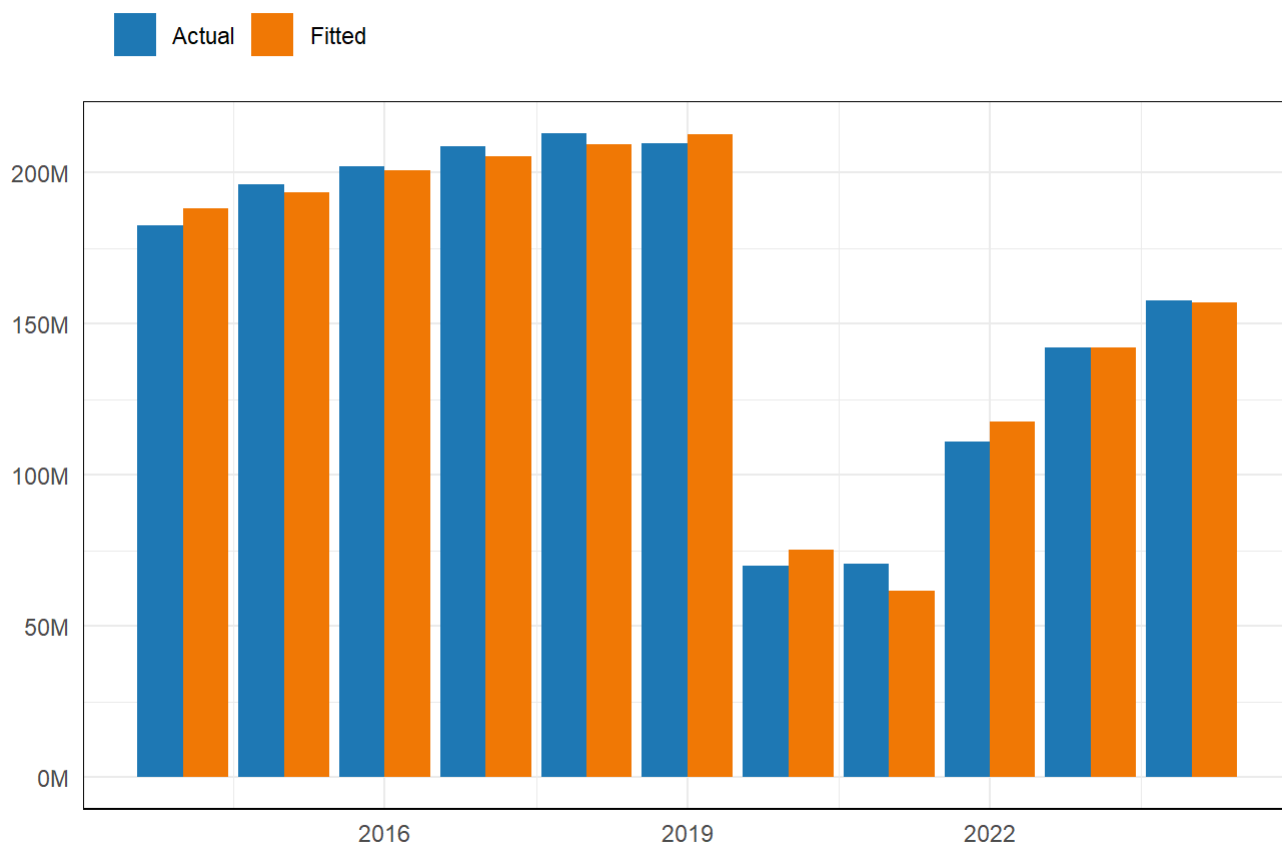


```
## Series: touch_ons
## Model: TSLM
##
## Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -6659764 -4071821   681798  3045740  8877937
##
## Coefficients:
##              Estimate      Std. Error t value      Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)   -372177576.04    124209325.76   -2.996      0.0200 *
## erp_greater_melbourne      95.67         28.14    3.400      0.0114 *
## wfh_slow_growth    27510856.04    1225875.84   22.442 0.0000000883 ***
## trend()        -5259174.92    2289174.61   -2.297      0.0552 .
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 5680000 on 7 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.9925, Adjusted R-squared:  0.9893
## F-statistic: 308.4 on 3 and 7 DF, p-value: 0.000000085209
```

*# For every 1 person increase in the ERP of Greater Melbourne, touch\_ons increase by 95.67*  
*# A one day increase in wfh increases touch-ons by ~27.5 million per year*  
*# Independent of the above, weak trend showing touch-ons declining by ~5.25 mliion per year*

```
augment(model_selected) %>%
  select(year, touch_ons, .fitted) %>%
  pivot_longer(touch_ons:.fitted) %>%
  mutate(name = if_else(name == "touch_ons", "Actual", "Fitted")) %>%
  ggplot(aes(x = year, y = value, fill = name)) +
  geom_col(position = "dodge") +
  scale_fill_manual(values = c("Actual" = "#227BB4",
                              "Fitted" = "#F07B05")) +
  theme_minimal() +
  theme(legend.position = "top",
        panel.border = element_rect(fill = NA),
        legend.justification = "left") +
  labs(x = "", y = "", title = "Model Fit", fill = "") +
  scale_y_continuous(labels = comma_format(suffix = "M", scale = 0.000001))
```

## Model Fit



# Last try with arima erros

```
models_final <- forecast_ts %>%
  model(
    melb_pop_w_trend = TSLM(touch_ons ~ erp_greater_melbourne + wfh_slow_growth + trend()),
    melb_pop_w_arima = ARIMA(touch_ons ~ erp_greater_melbourne + wfh_slow_growth),
    melb_pop_w_arima_and_trend = ARIMA(touch_ons ~ erp_greater_melbourne + wfh_slow_growth +
trend()))

models_final %>%
  report() %>%
  arrange(AICc)
```

```
## Warning in report.mdl_df(.): Model reporting is only supported for individual
## models, so a glance will be shown. To see the report for a specific model, use
## `select()` and `filter()` to identify a single model.
```

```
## # A tibble: 3 x 17
##   .model r_squared adj_r_squared sigma2 statistic p_value    df log_lik  AIC
##   <chr>   <dbl>      <dbl>   <dbl>    <dbl>   <dbl> <int>  <dbl> <dbl>
## 1 melb_p~ 0.992        0.989 3.23e13    308. 8.52e-8     4  -184.  347.
## 2 melb_p~ NA          NA    6.38e13     NA  NA         NA  -189.  385.
## 3 melb_p~ NA          NA    6.44e13     NA  NA         NA  -189.  385.
## # ... with 8 more variables: AICc <dbl>, BIC <dbl>, CV <dbl>, deviance <dbl>,
## #   df.residual <int>, rank <int>, ar_roots <list>, ma_roots <list>
```

```
# Regular with trend seems the best
```