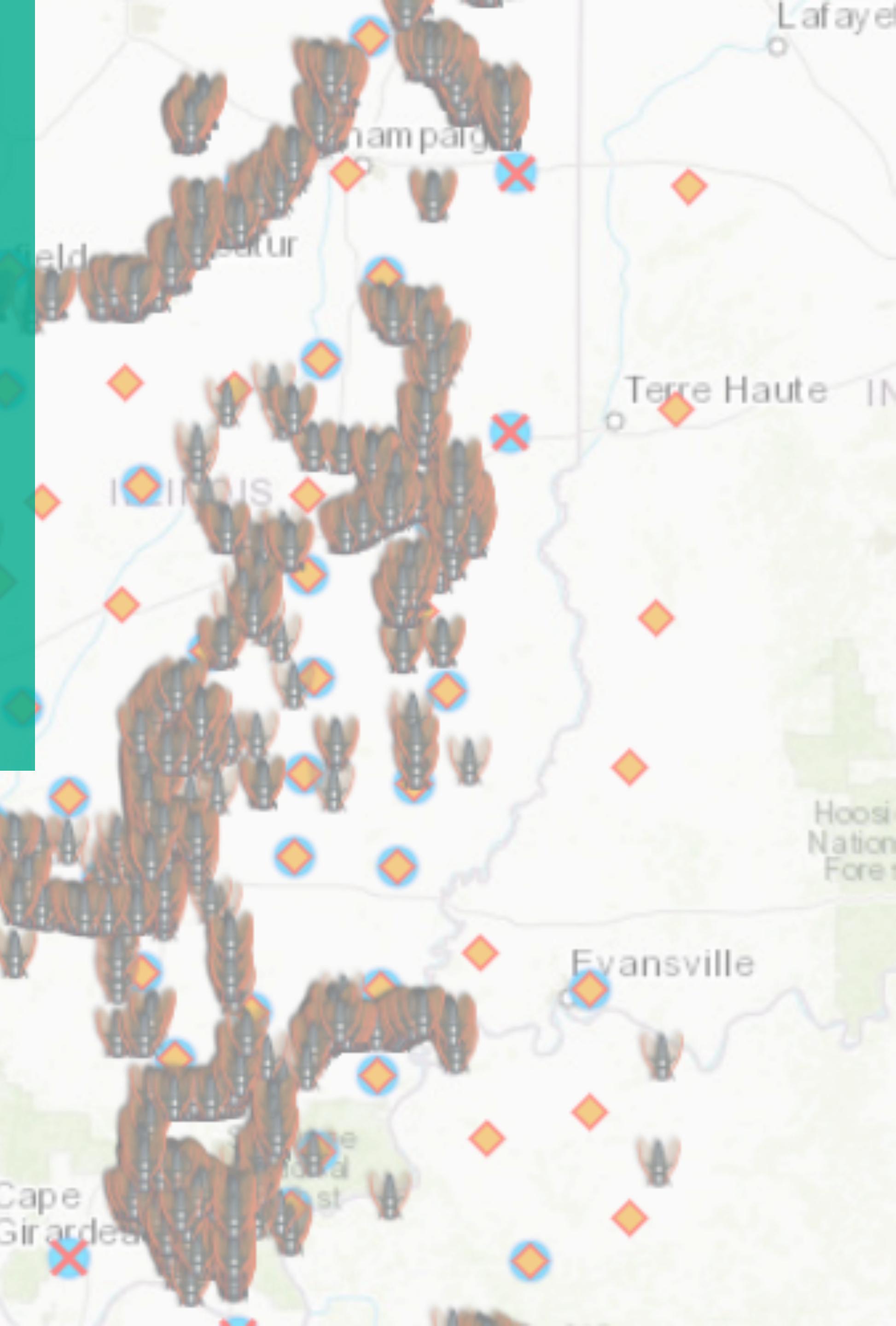


Periodical Cicada Emergence

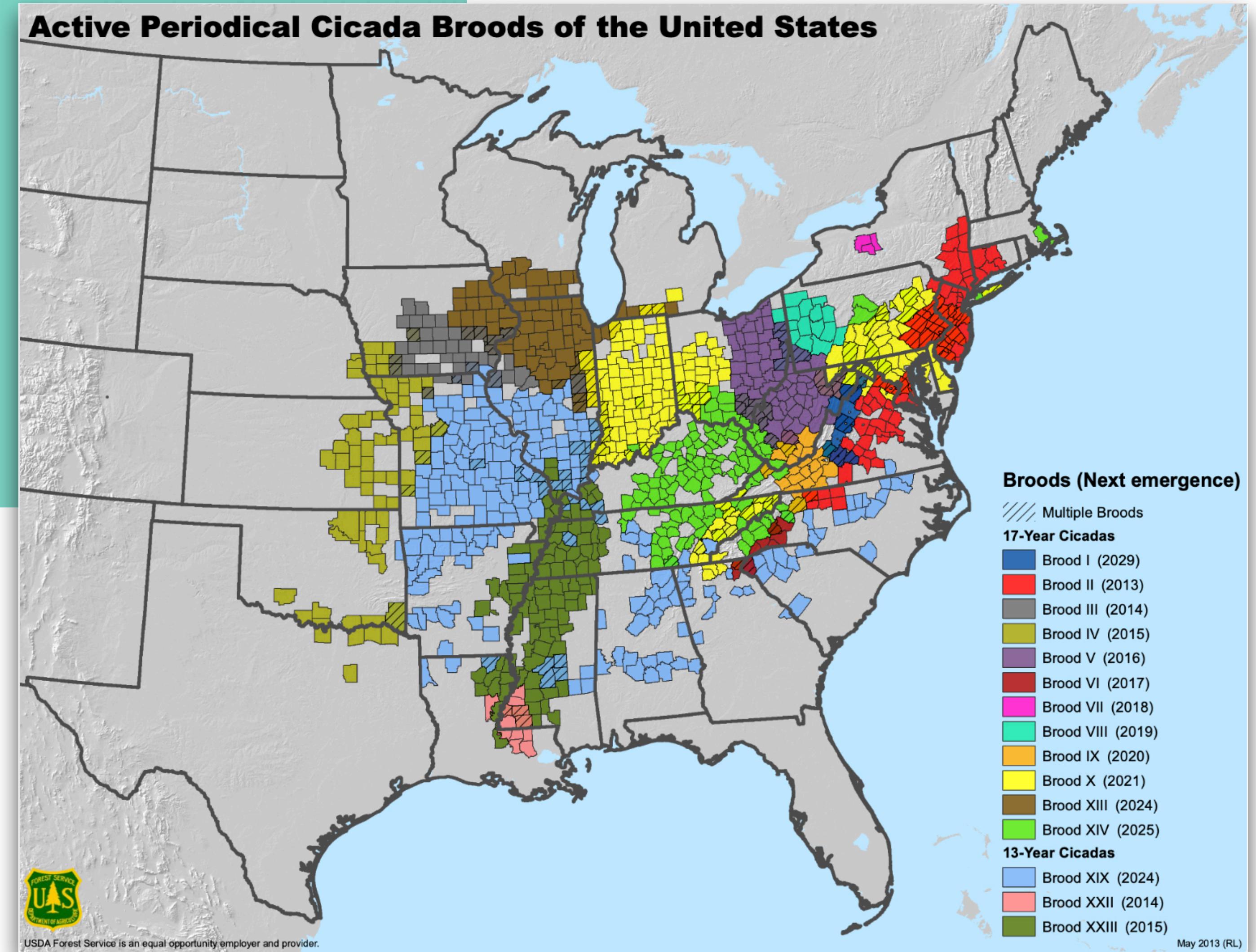
and Impact to Human Behavior

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Biological Context

- Periodical cicada cycles are location-specific



USDA map

Biological Context



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Periodical Cicada

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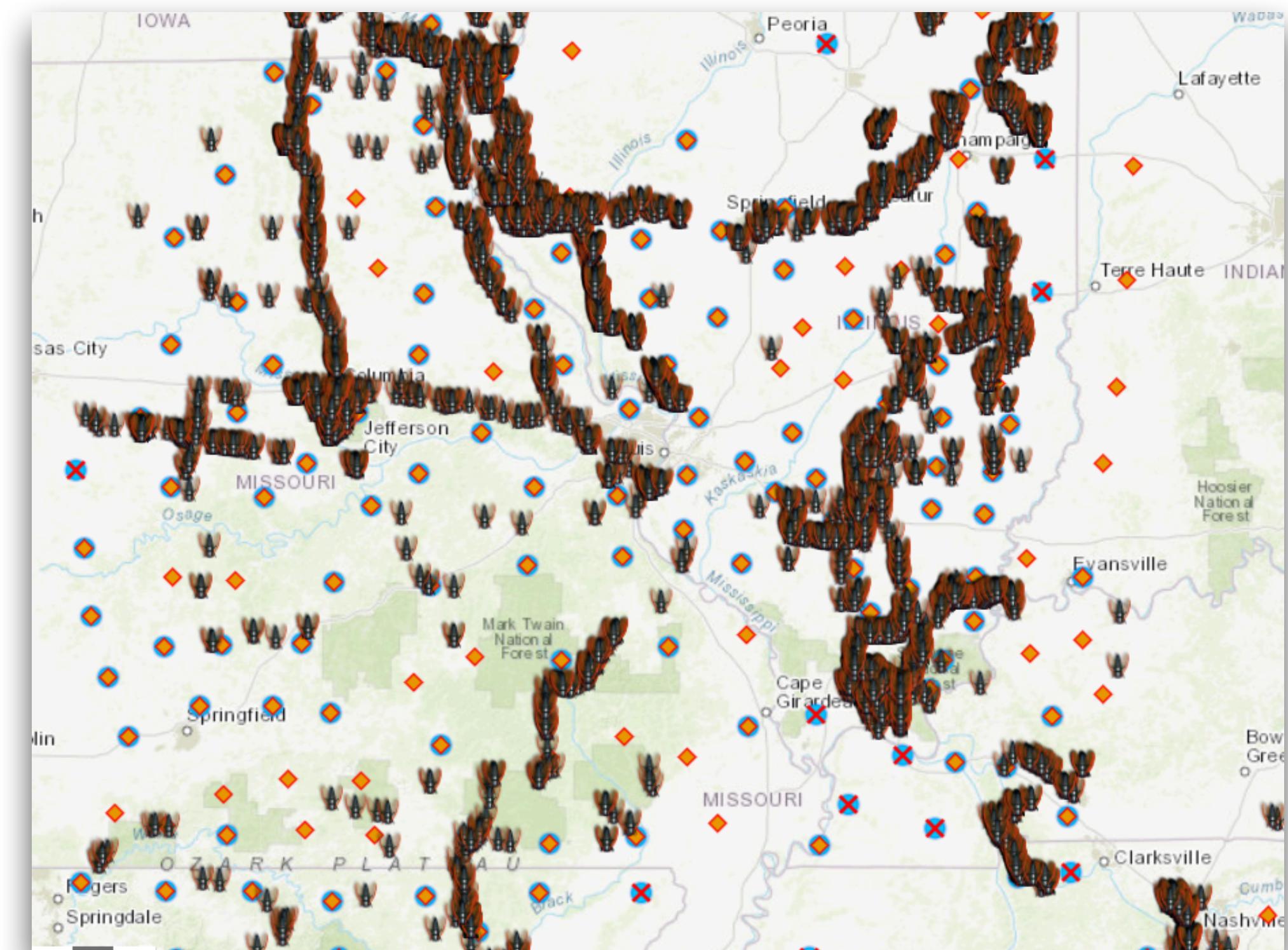
Questions for the Data

During a periodical brood emergence...

- Do people have more complaints, expressed via contacts to city services?
- Are people driven to bad behavior, conveyed via citations and crime?
- Is there an increase in traffic accidents?

Methodology

- Varying brood years + locations **supported data collection** for years during and around emergences
 - Cicada locations gathered from UCONN maps on the county level
- Data cleansed to ‘**cicada months**’ of May and June



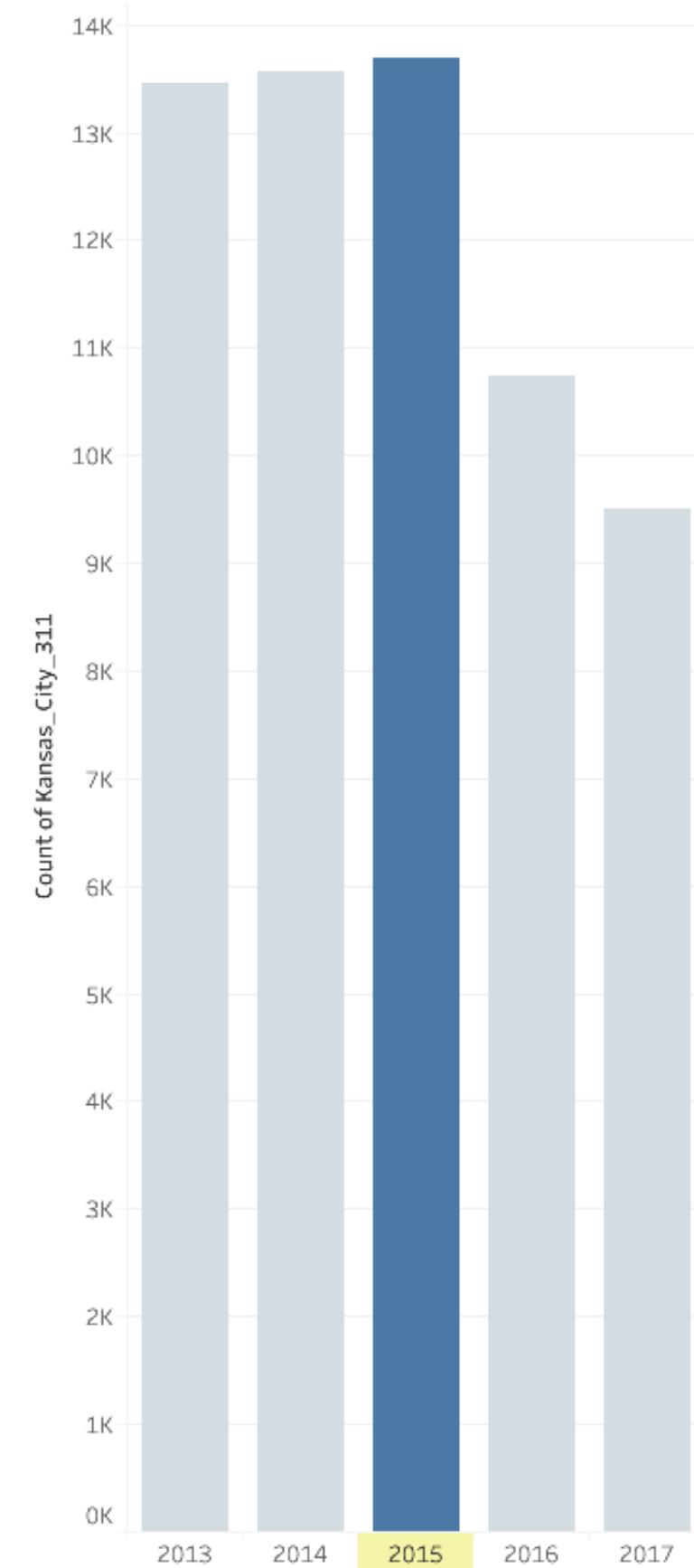
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311 city service requests

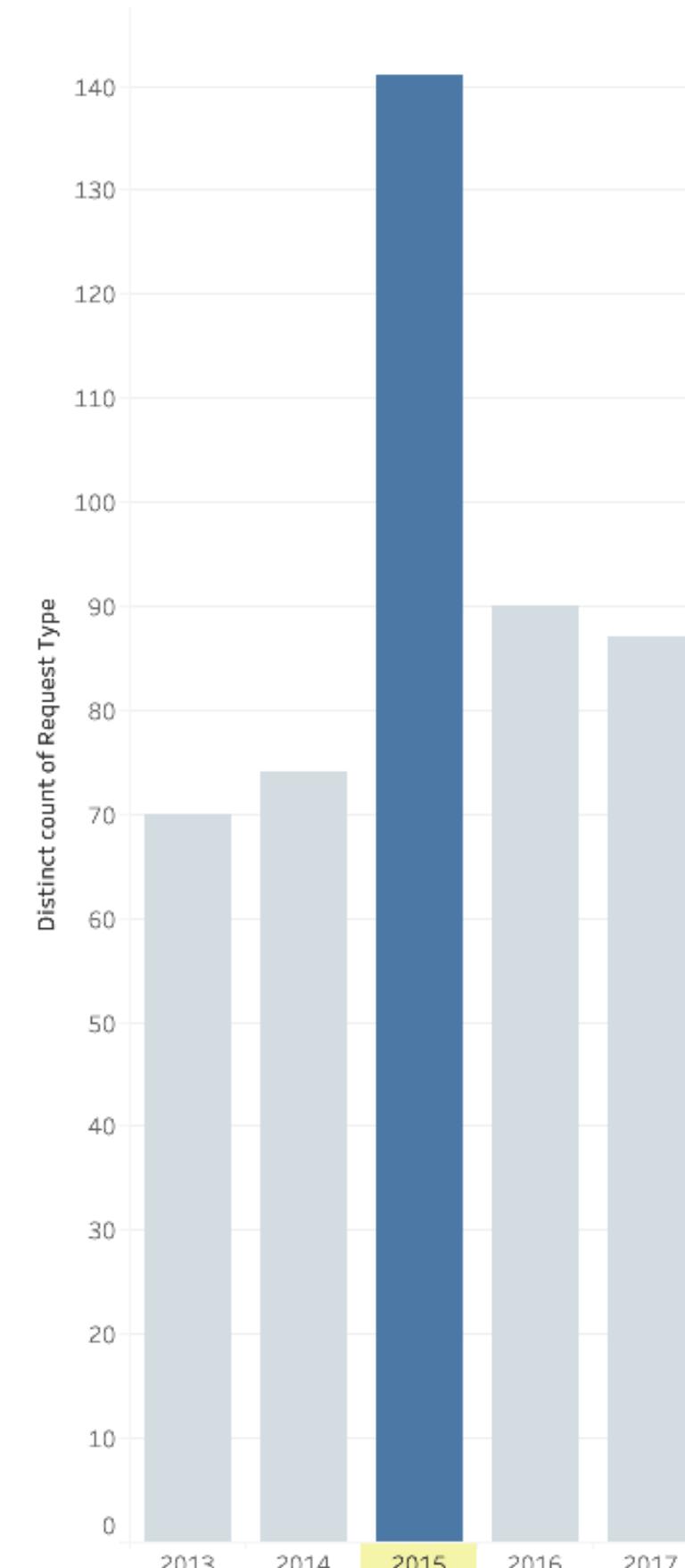
- Non-emergency requests for city services
- Request types curated for indicating potential bad behavior or annoyance
- Limited to months of May and June

Kansas City, Missouri

Brood IV 2015



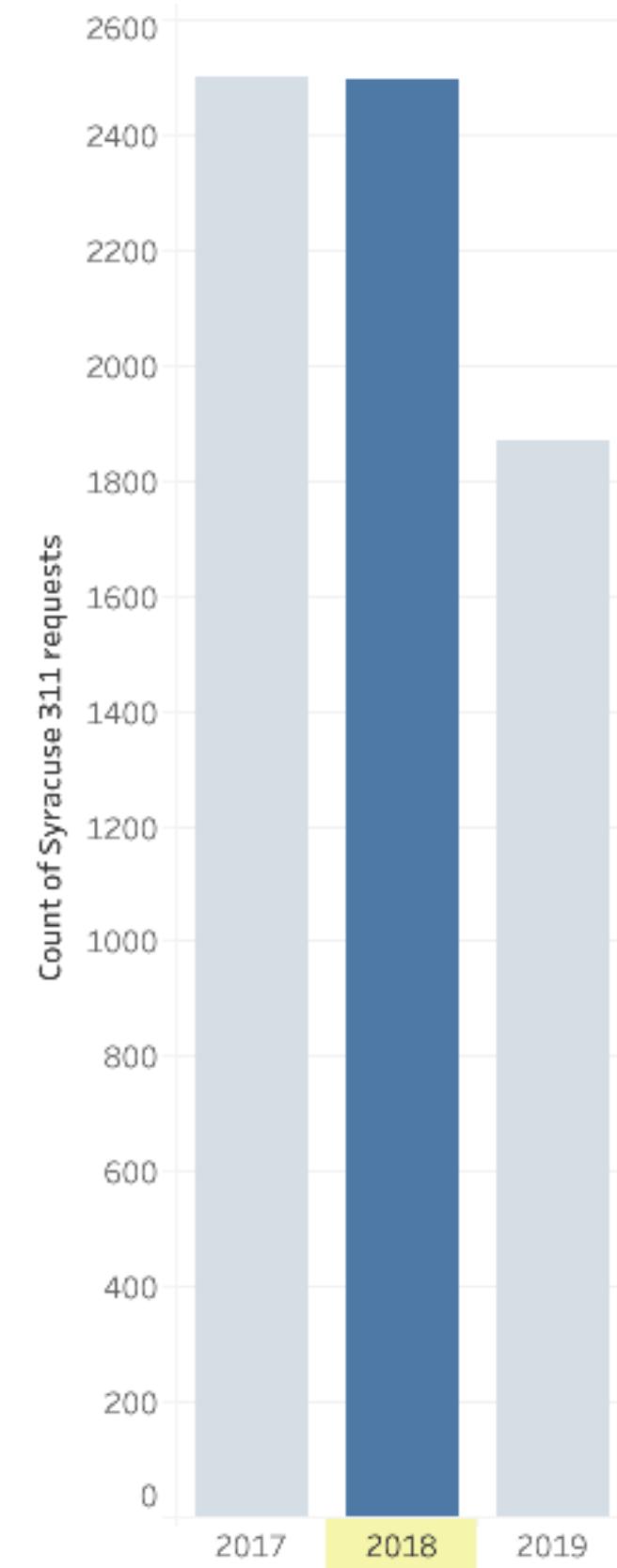
Total requests
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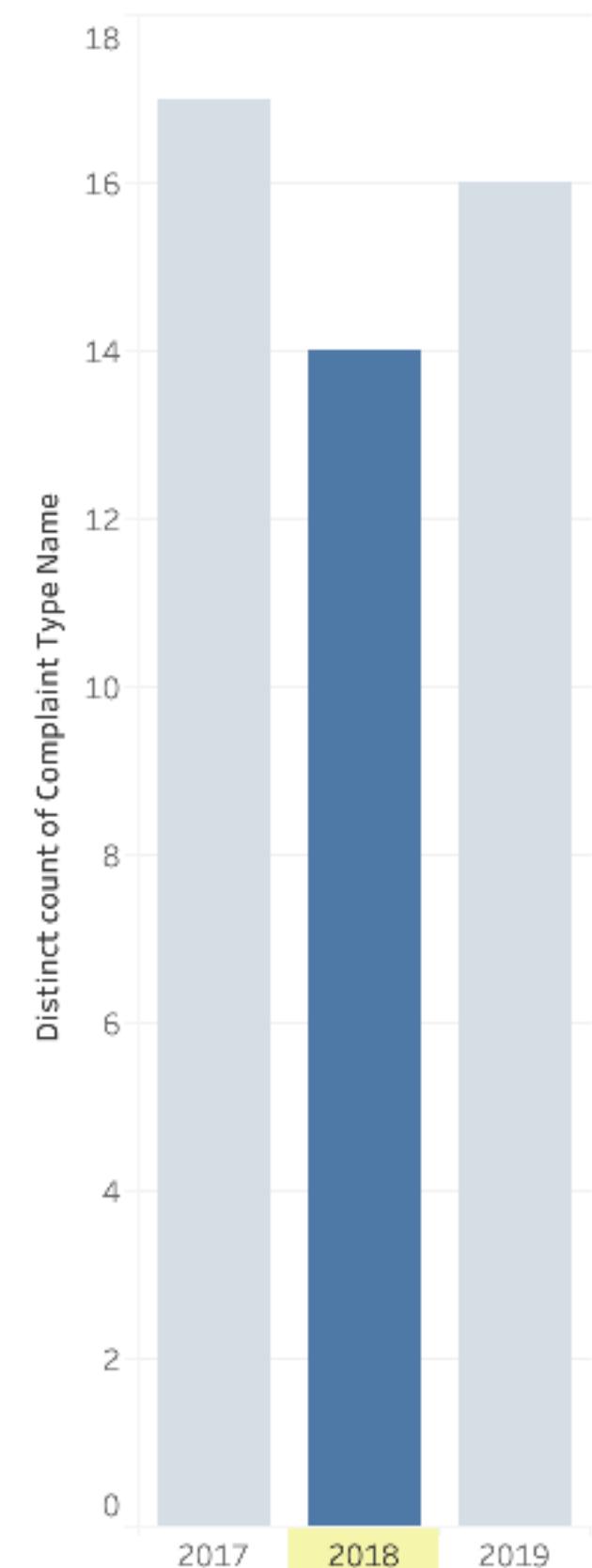
Request types
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Syracuse, New York

Brood VII 2018



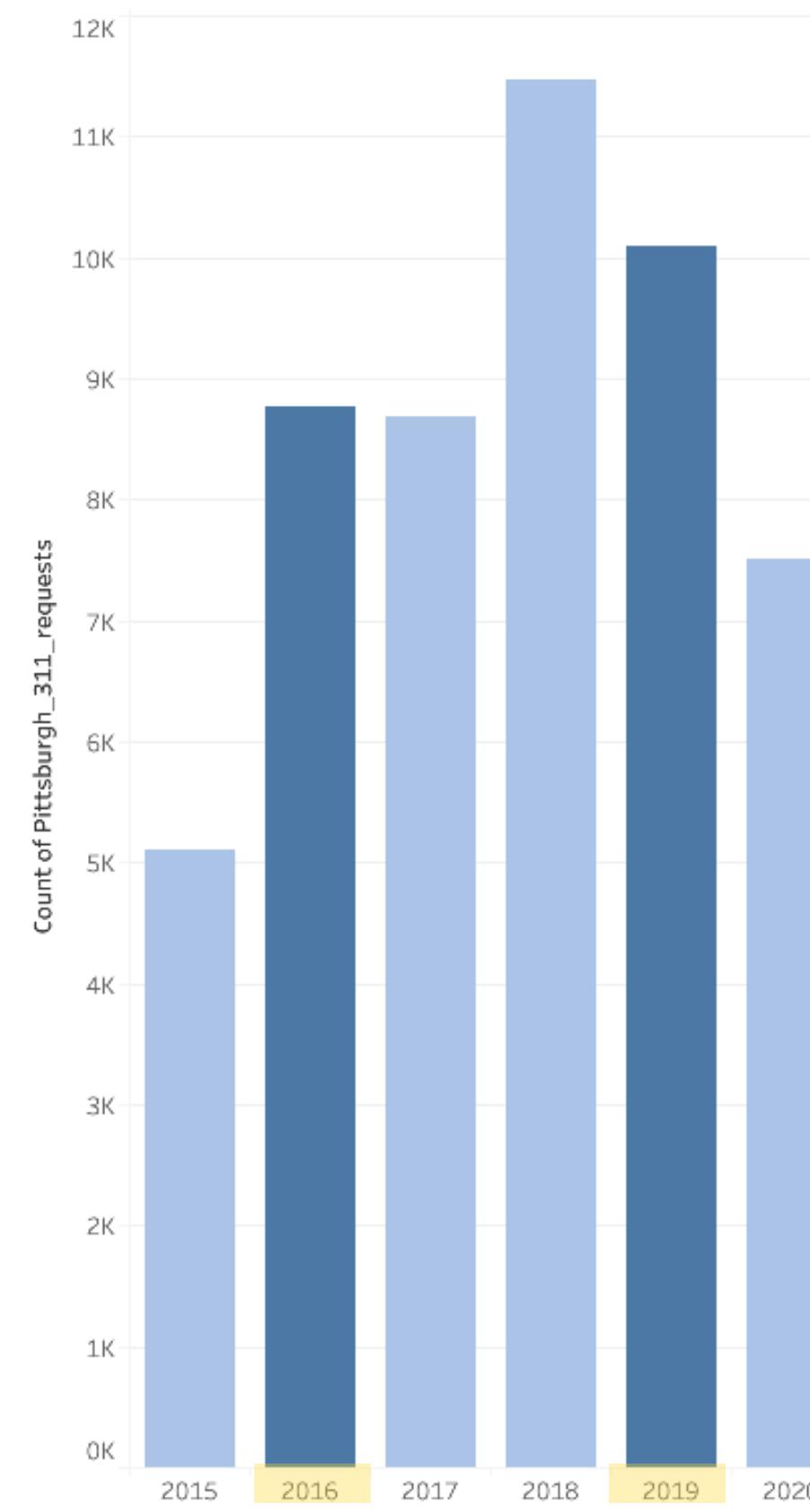
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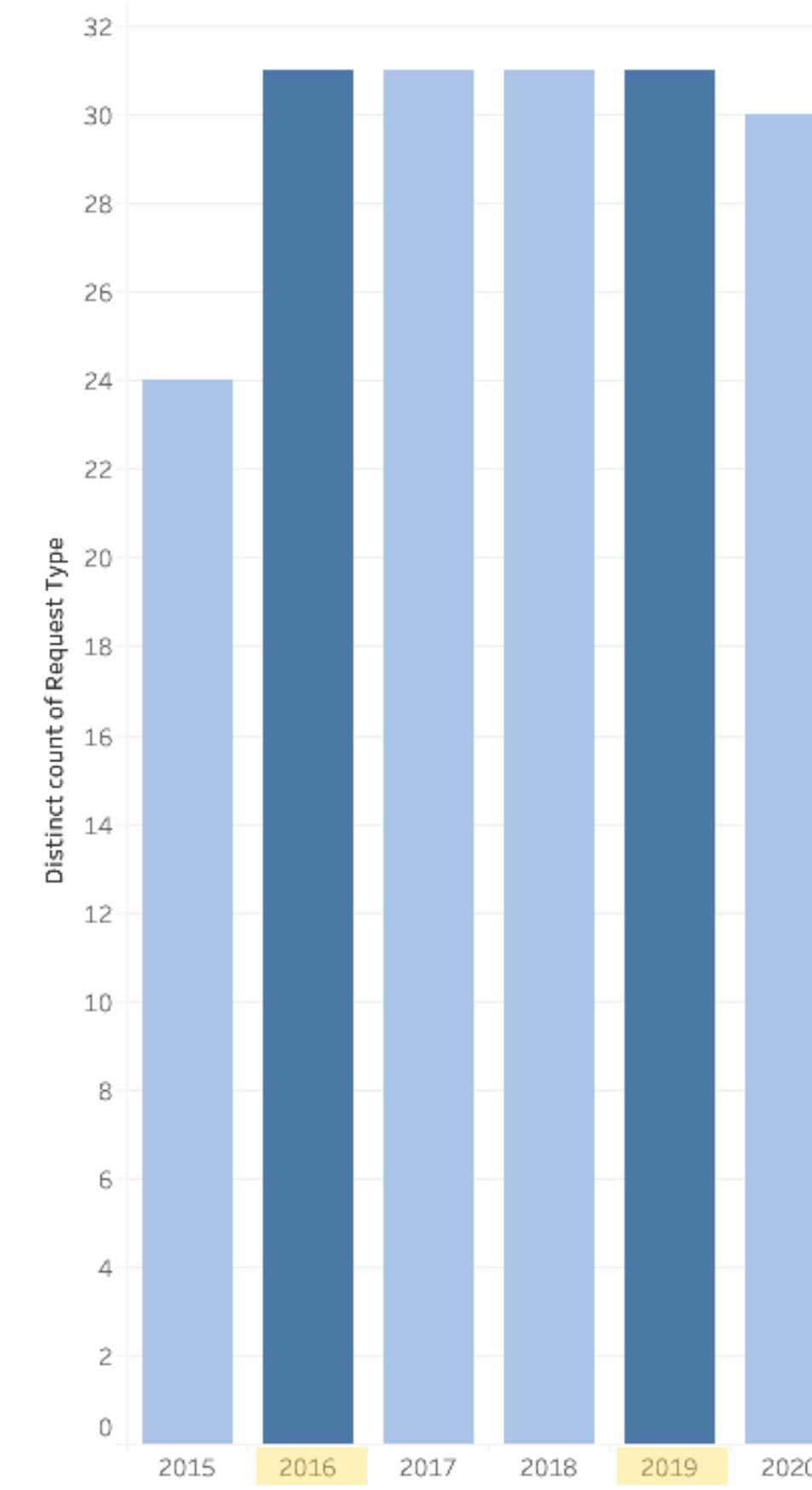
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Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Brood V 2016 & Brood VIII 2019



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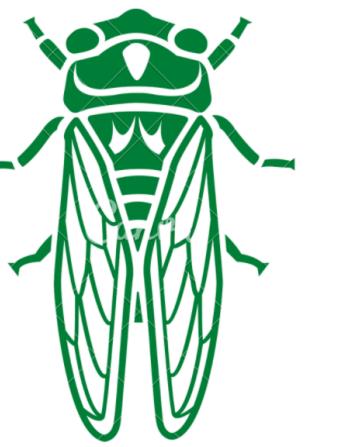


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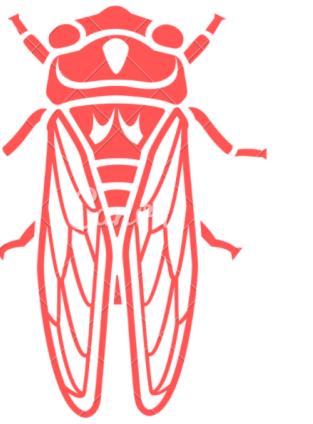
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cicada relationship scorecard

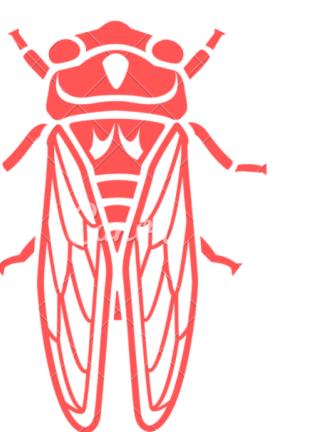
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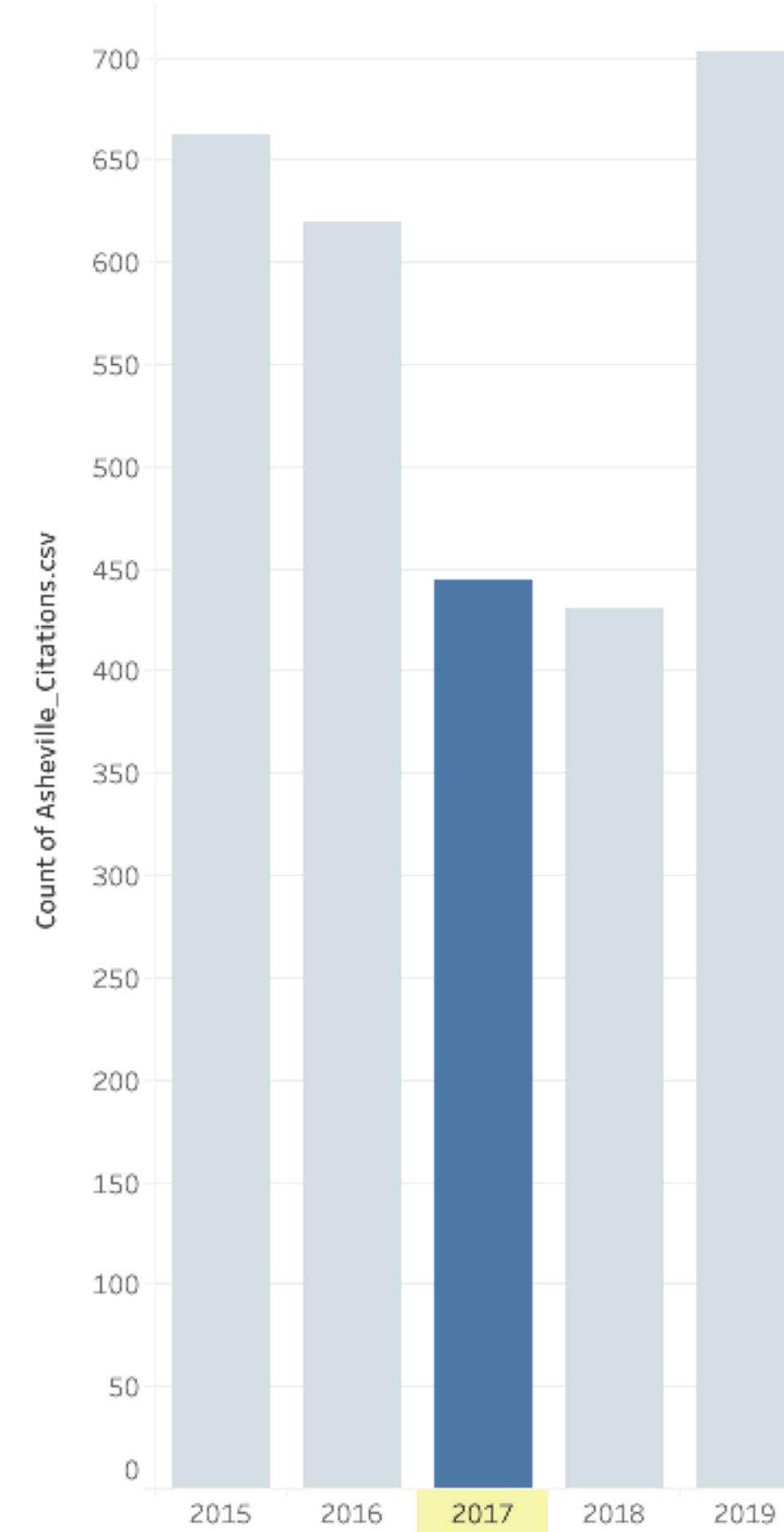


Crime And non-traffic citations

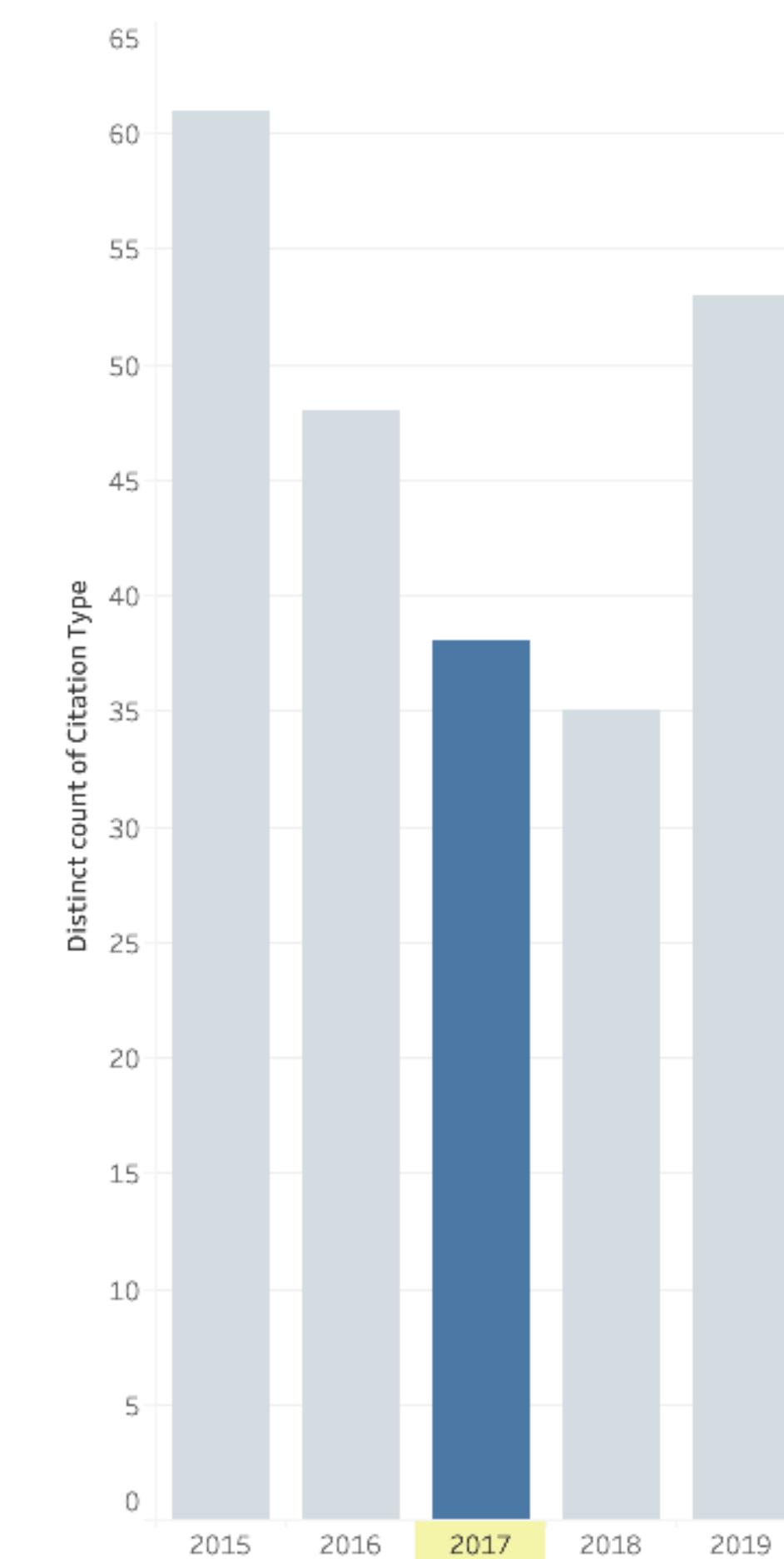
- City or County level data
- Limited to months of May and June

Asheville, North Carolina

Brood VI 2017

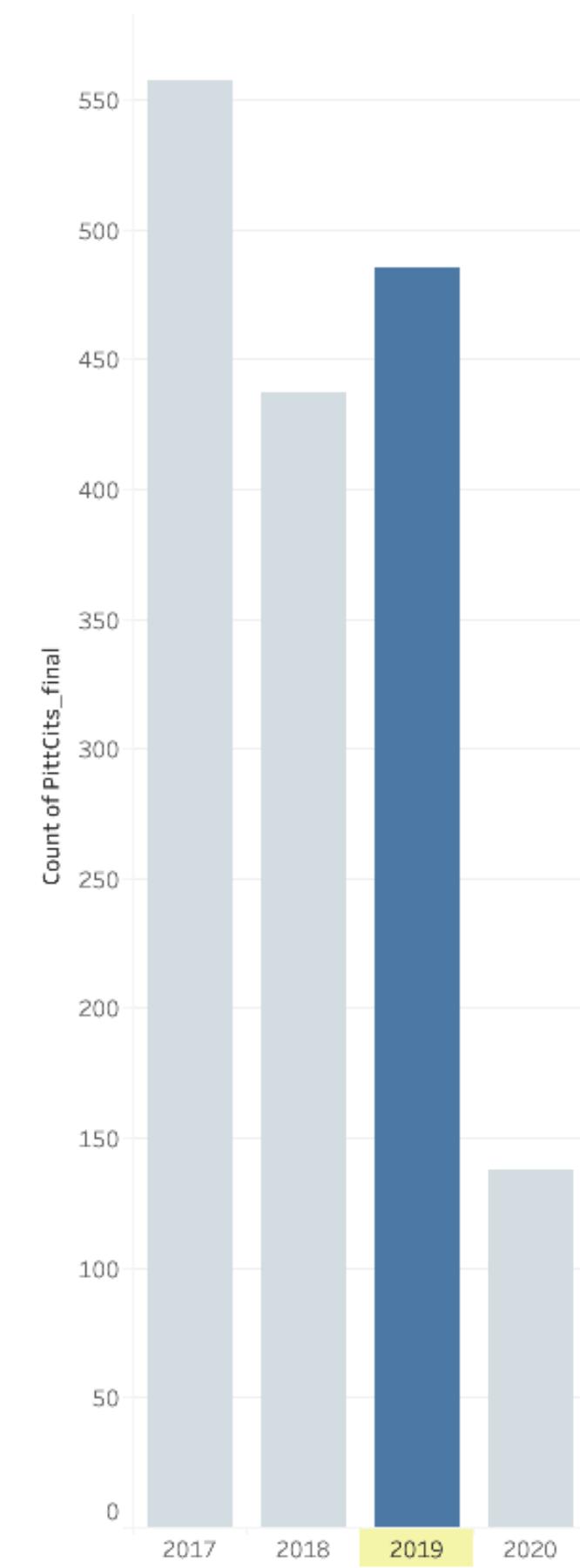


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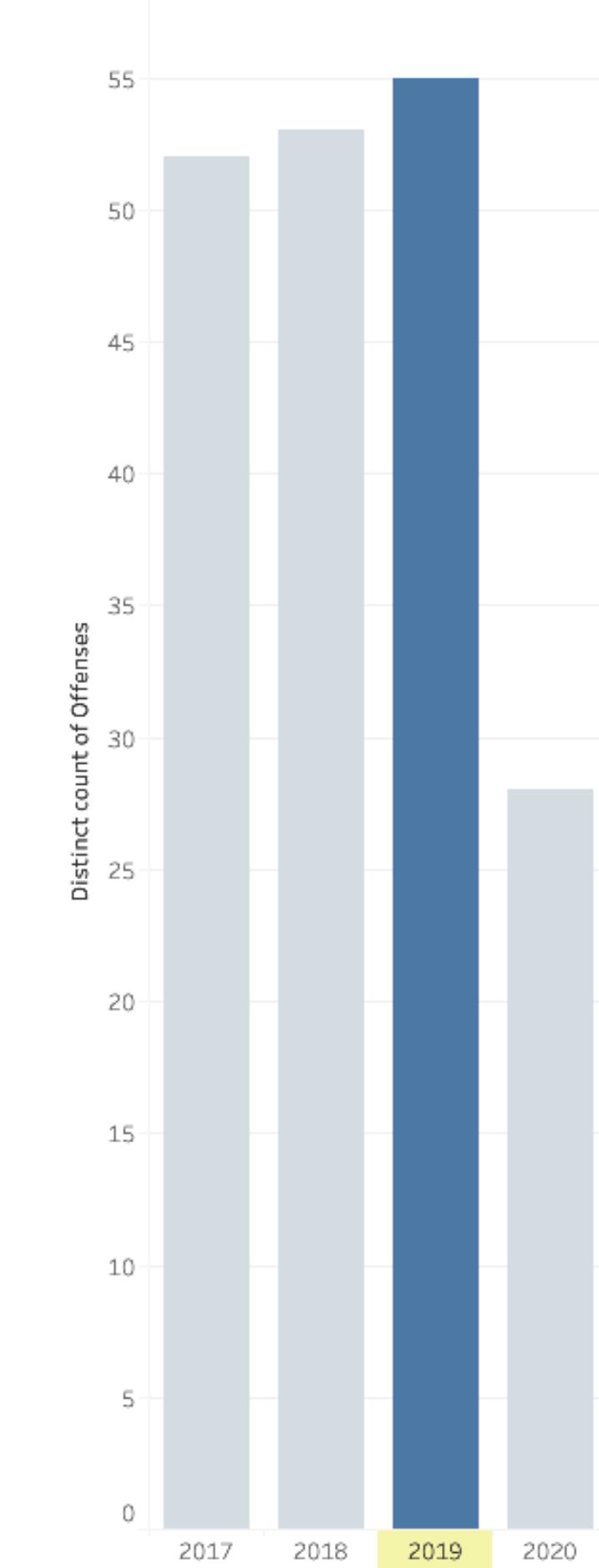


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(May and June)

Pittsburgh Brood VIII 2019



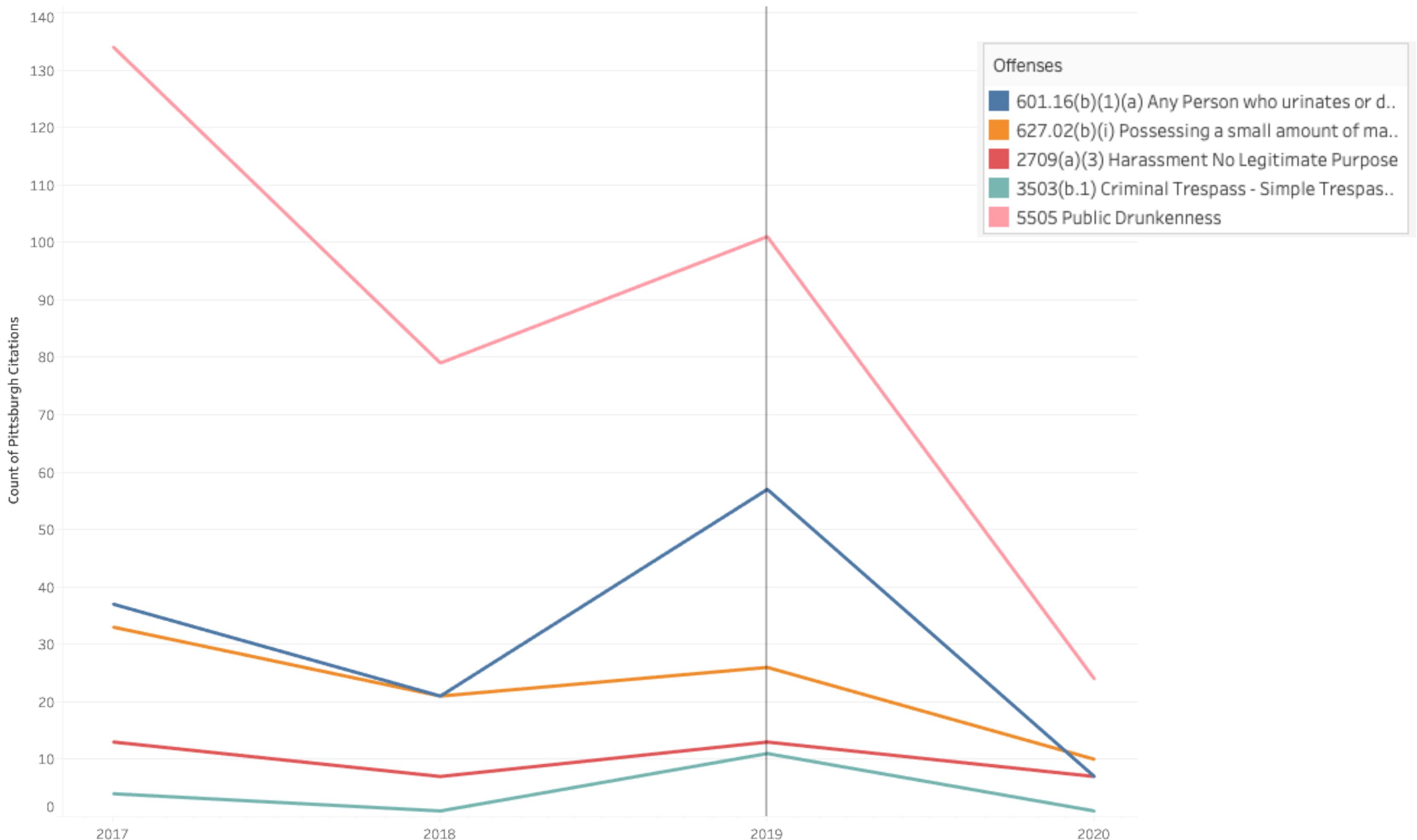
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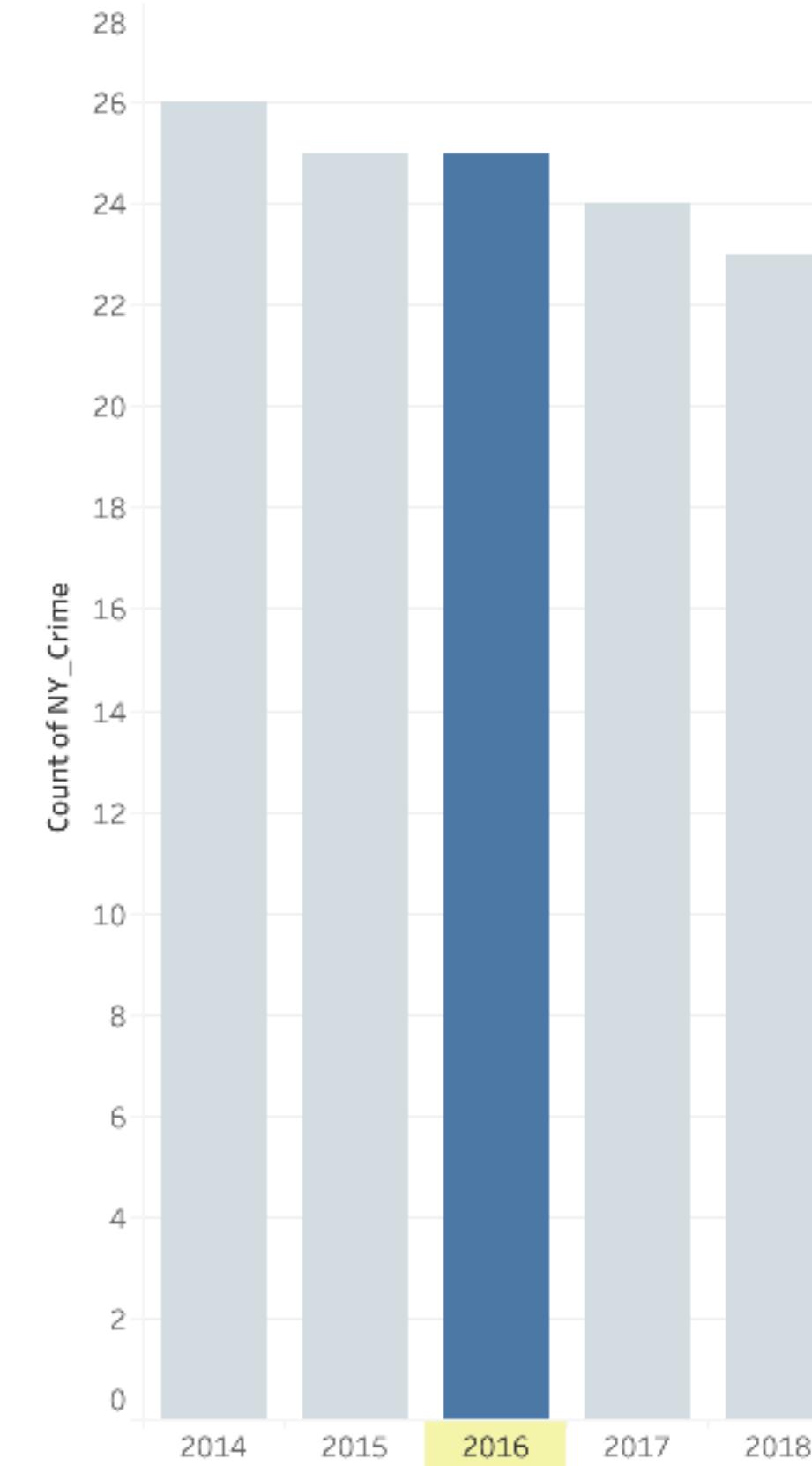
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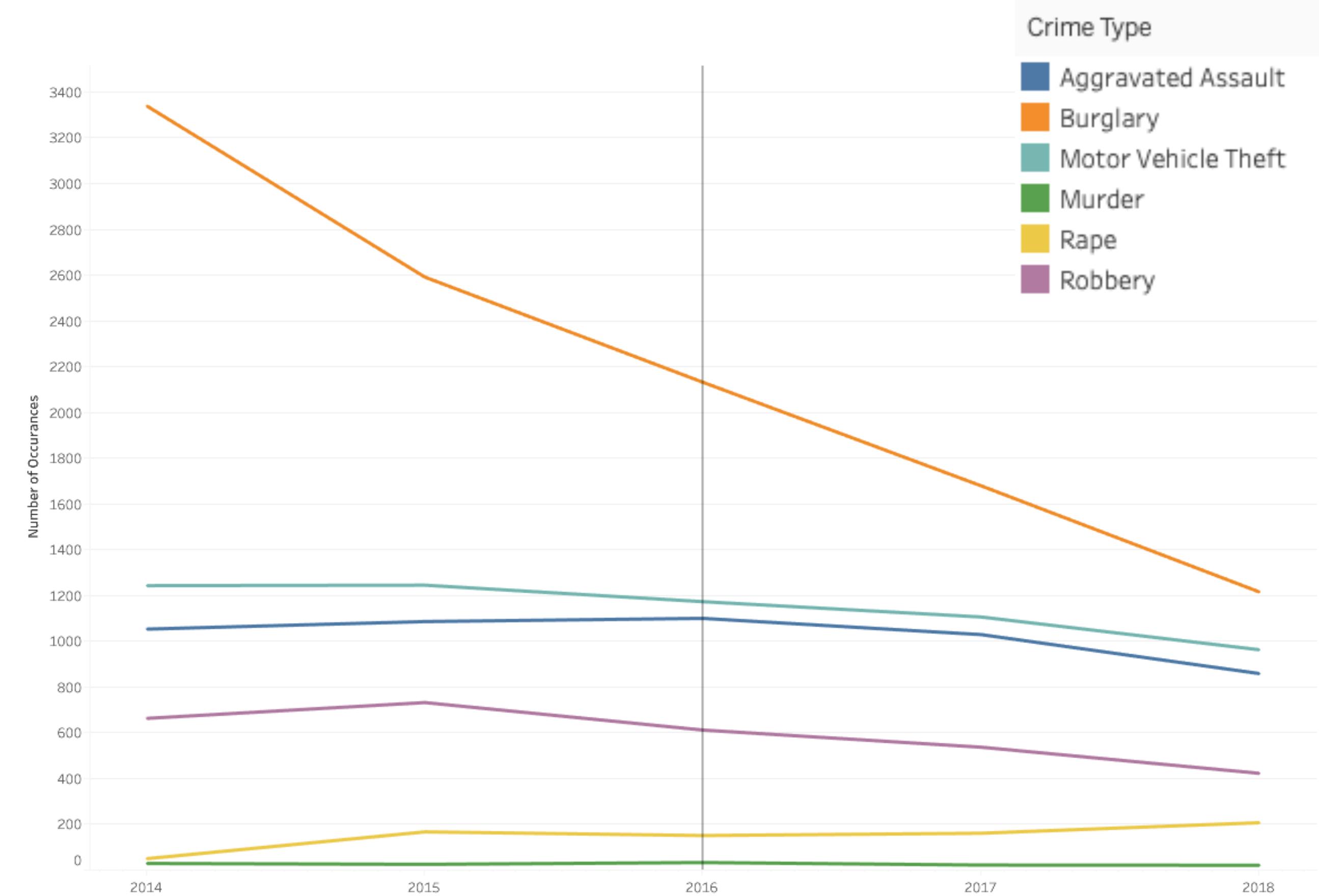


Suffolk County, New York

Brood V 2016



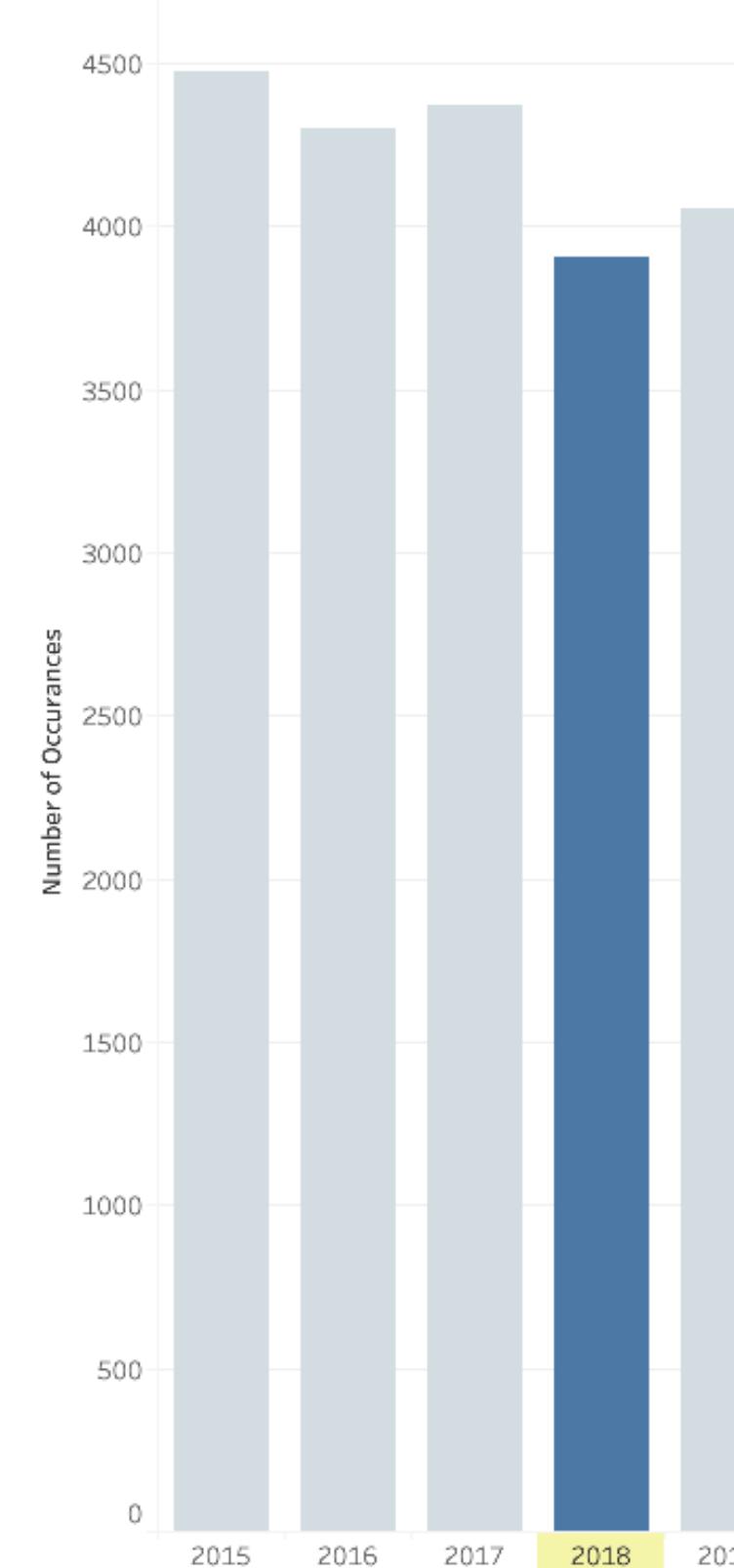
Total crime
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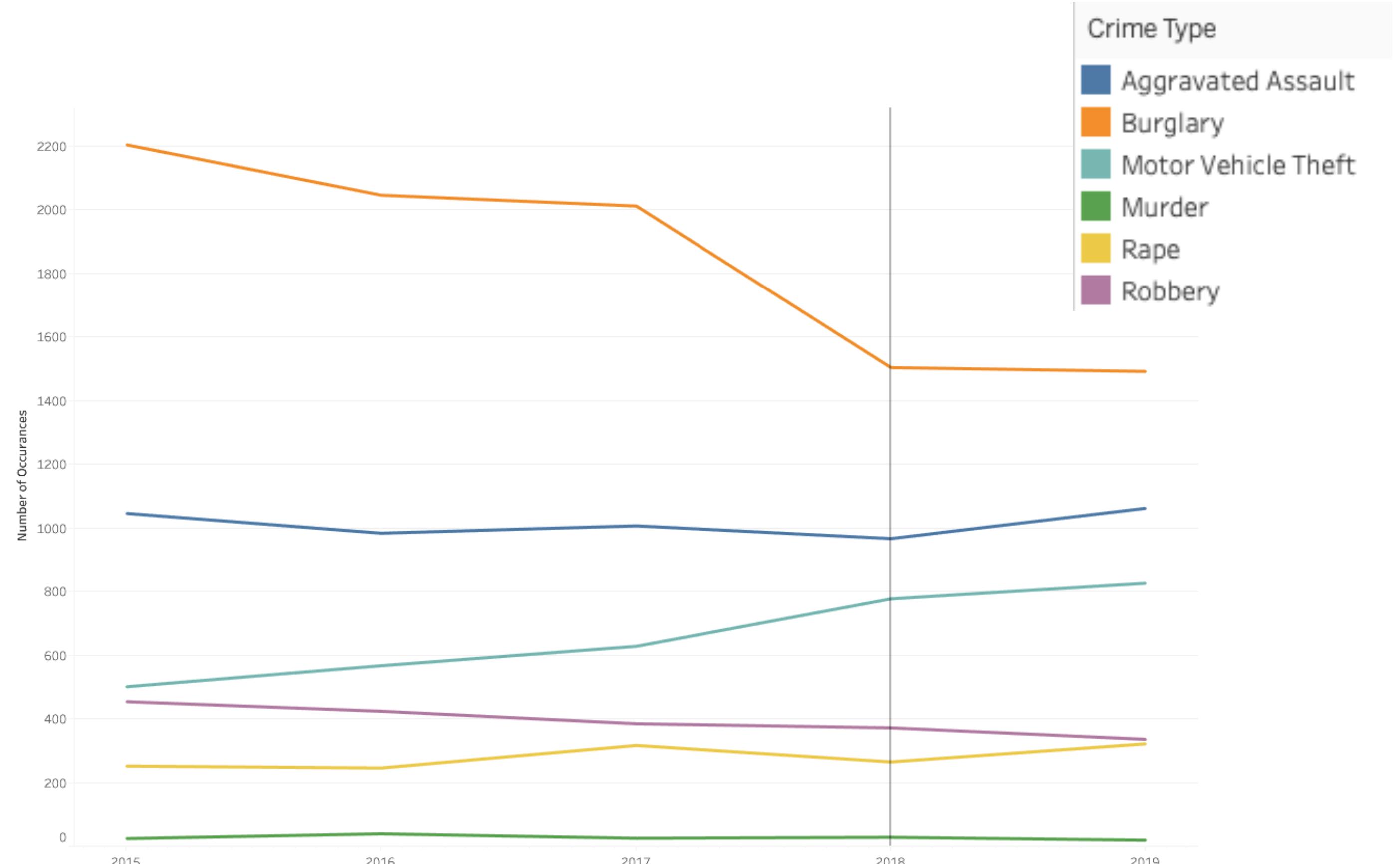
Snapshot of crime variation
(May and June)

Western New York Counties

Brood VII 2018



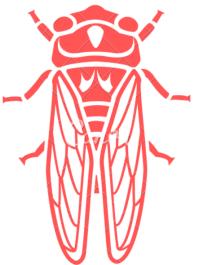
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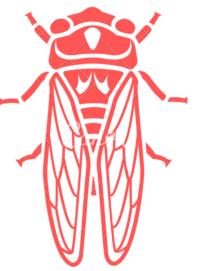
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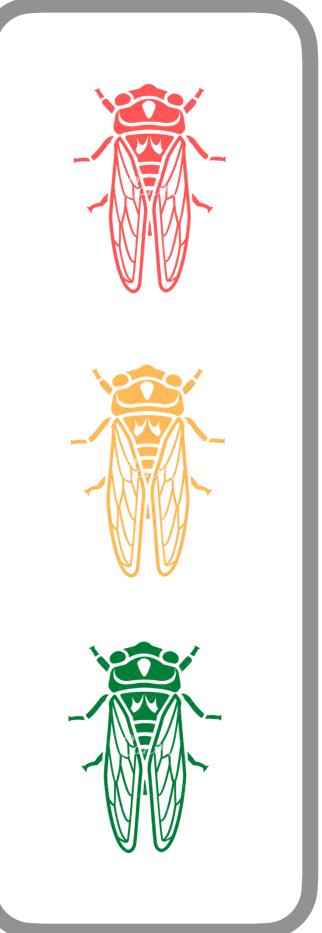
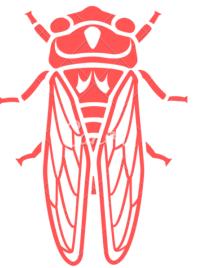
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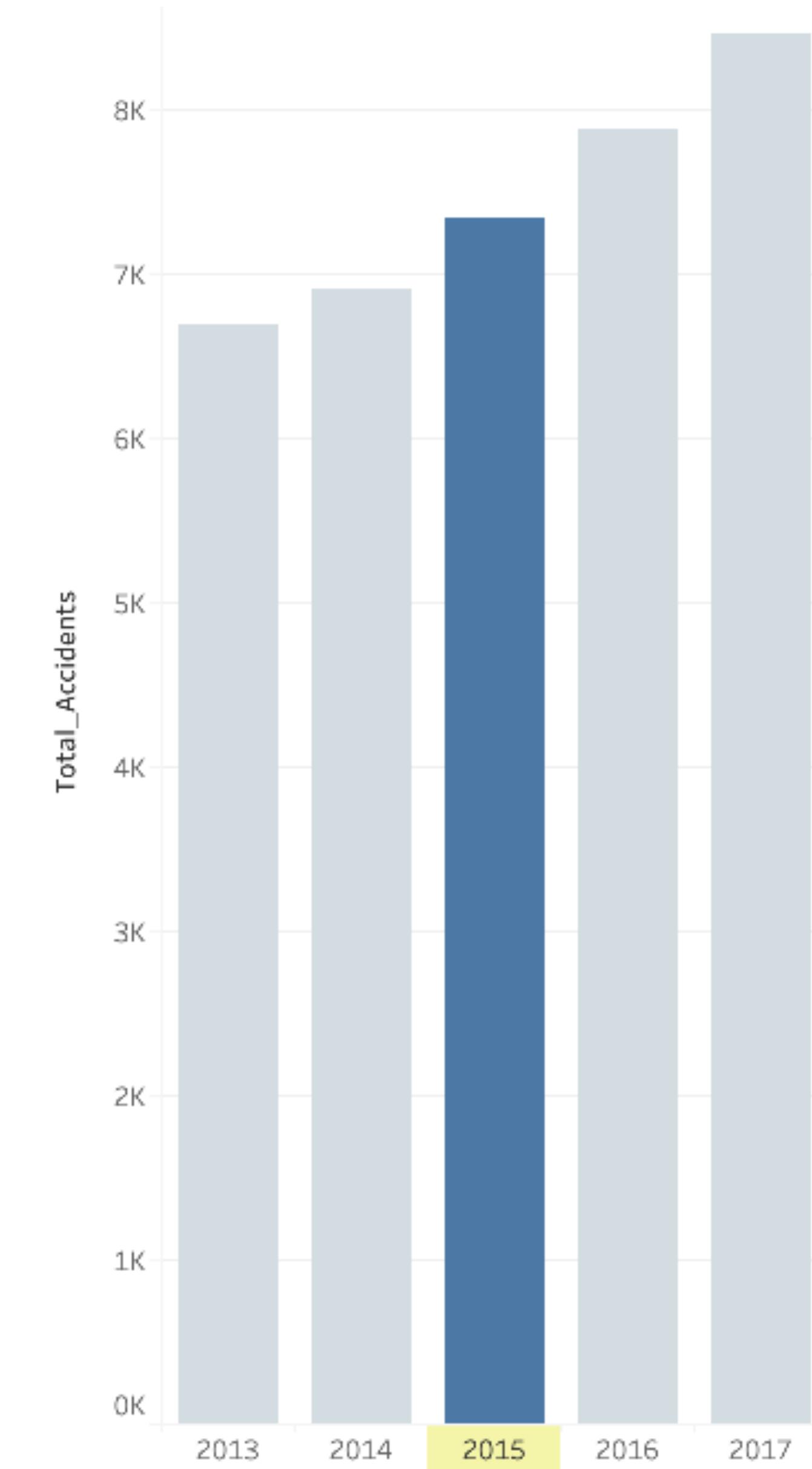
Traffic Accidents and 511 unplanned events

- City or County level
- 511 data curated for unplanned incidents
- Limited to months of May and June

Tennessee Counties

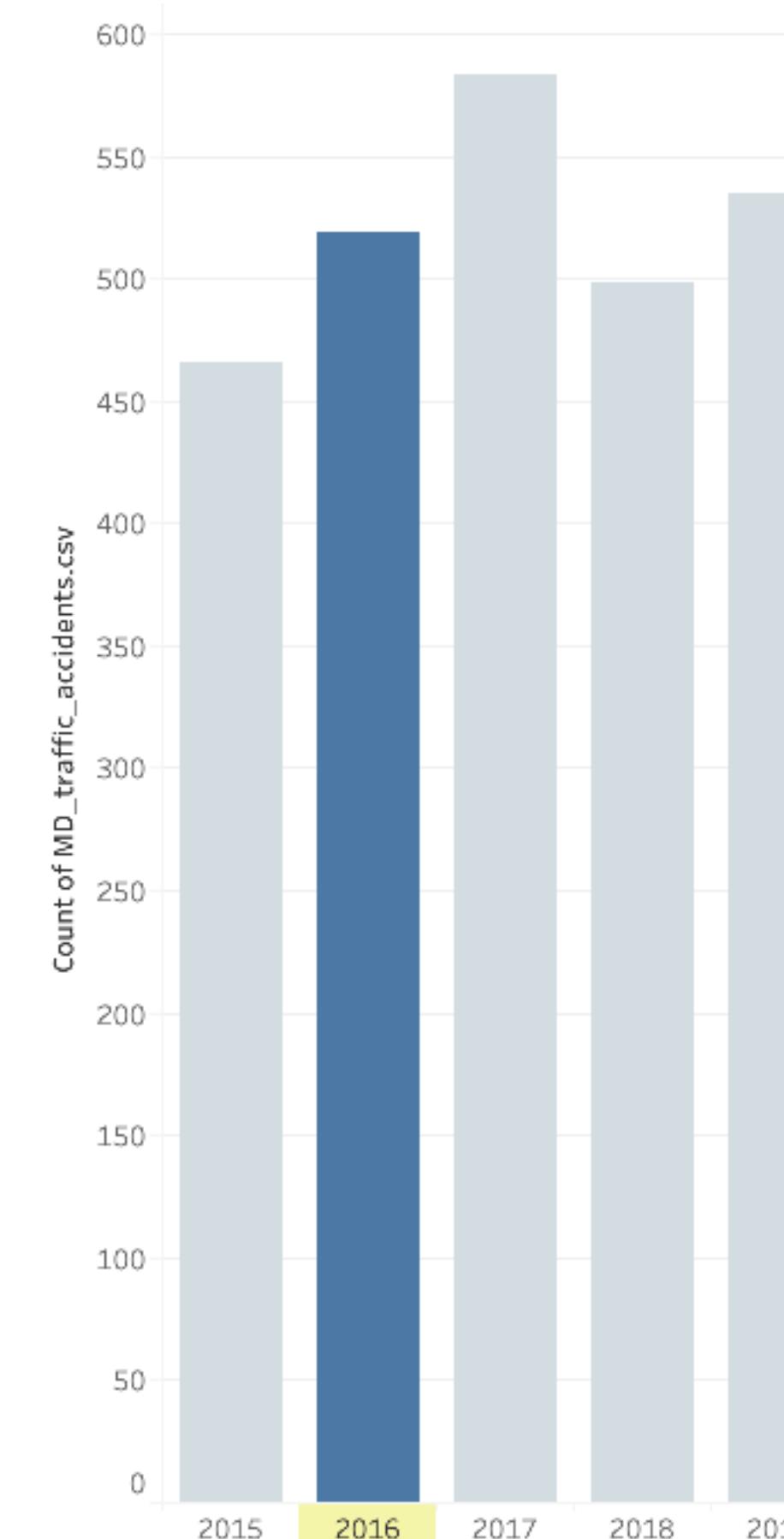
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Total Accidents
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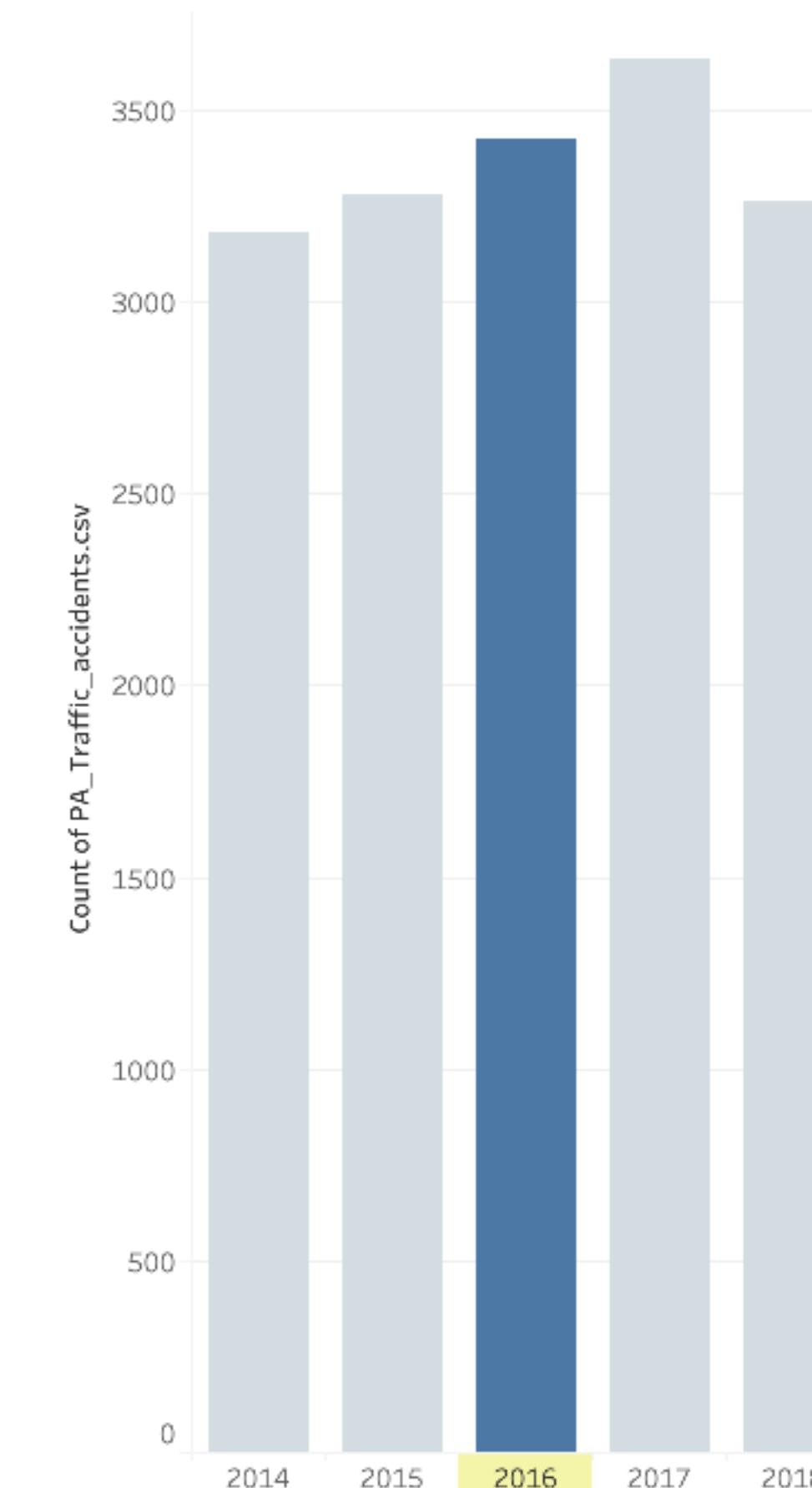


Counties in Maryland and PA

Brood V 2016



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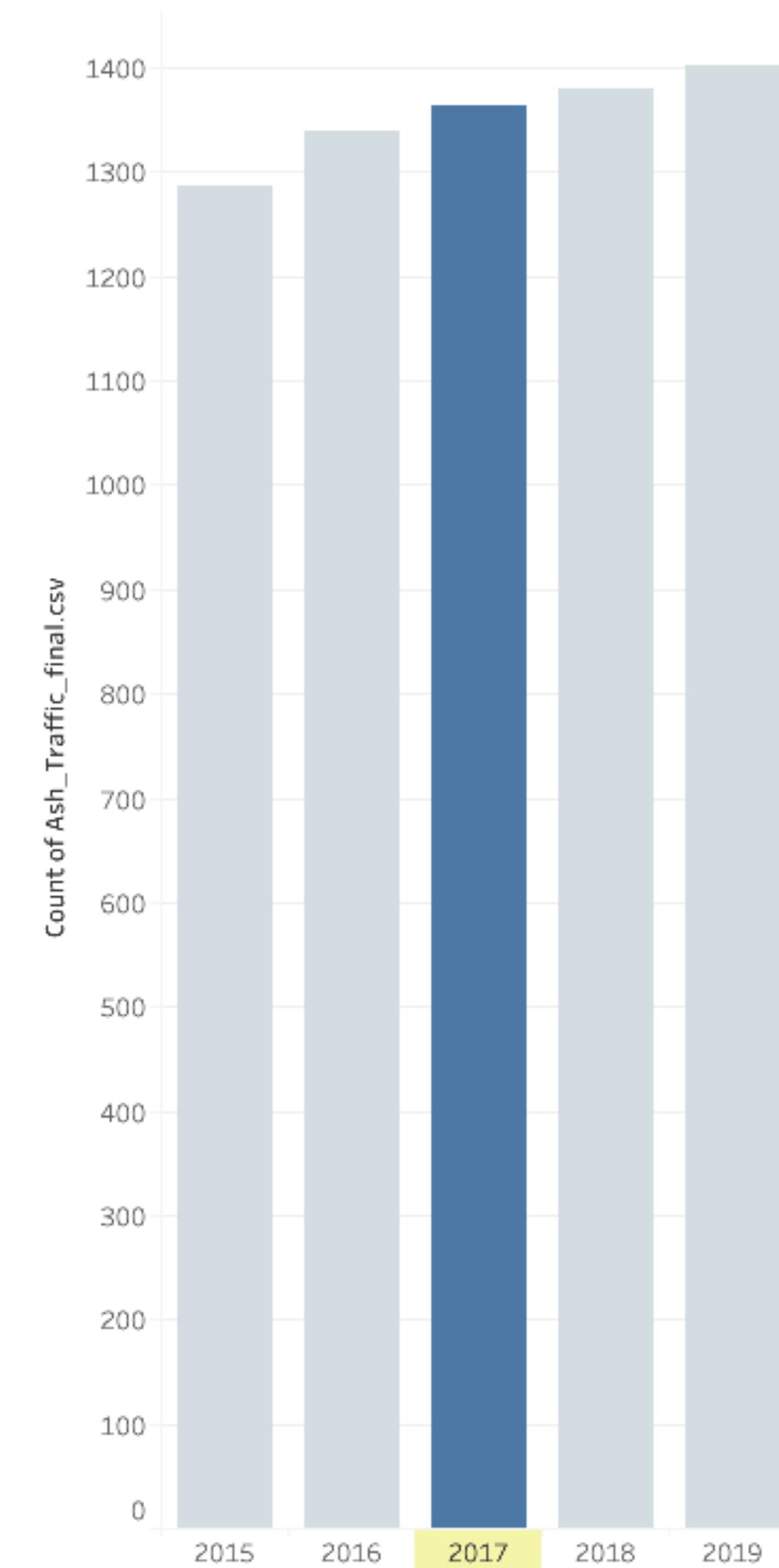
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Total Accidents (May and June)

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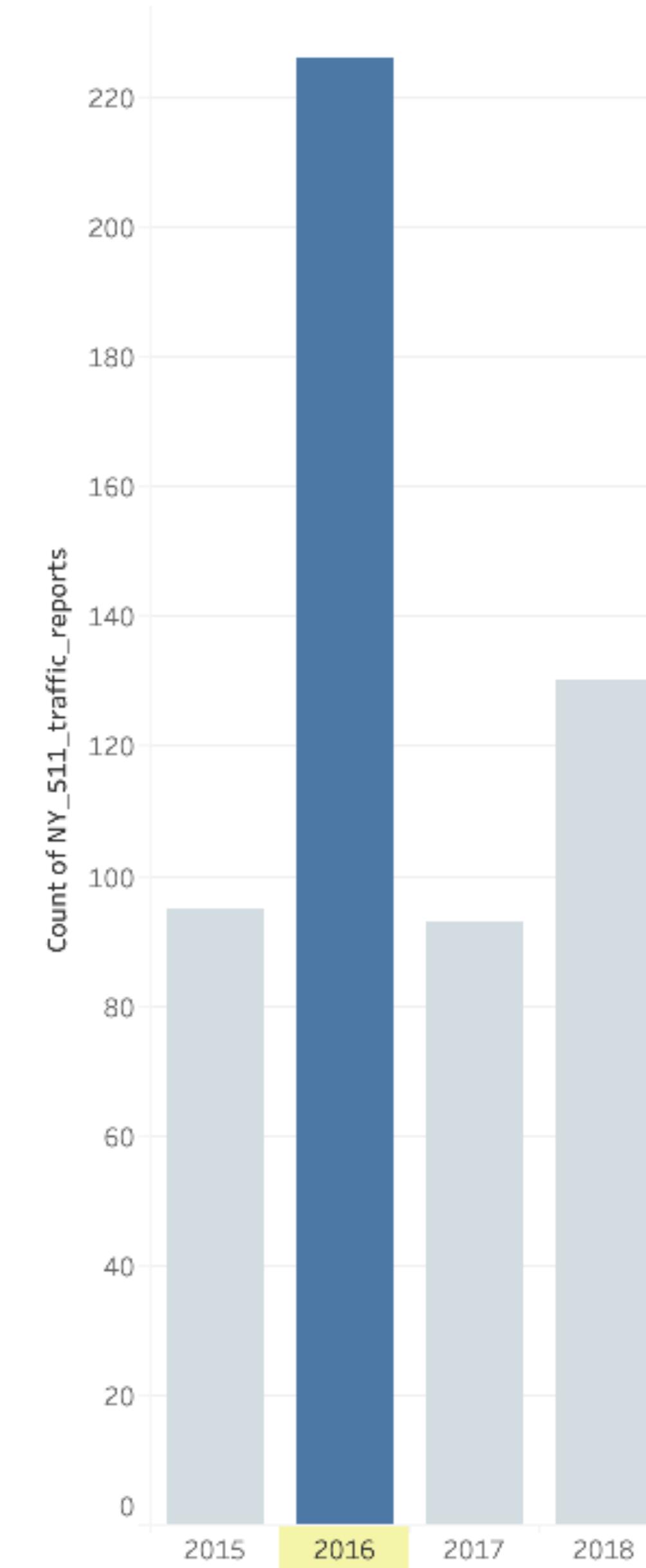
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Suffolk County, NY (511)

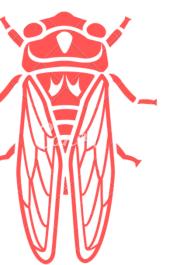
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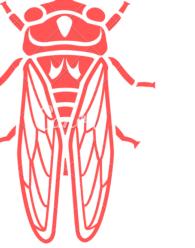


Traffic Accidents + 511 cicada relationship scorecard

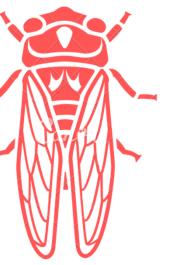
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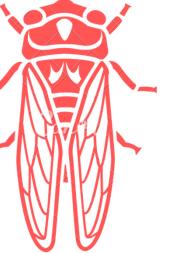
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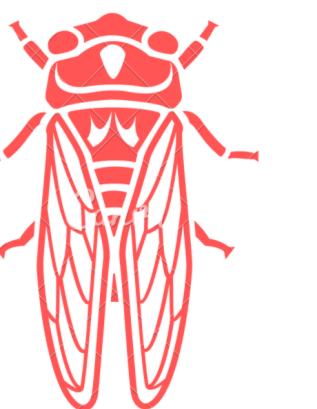


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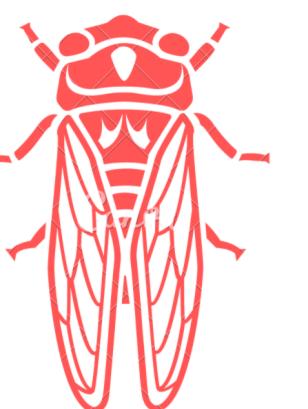
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Findings and further research

- No obvious suggestion of changes in human behavior, based on the data I collected
- Look at more 511 data
- Normalize crime, citations, and 311 request types across locales in order to view on a larger scale
- Consider variations in brood density in different counties, and urban vs. rural locations



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