PLAY2PREVENT: IS GAMEPLAY BEHAVIOR ASSOCIATED WITH EFFICACY IN RESISTING DRUGS?

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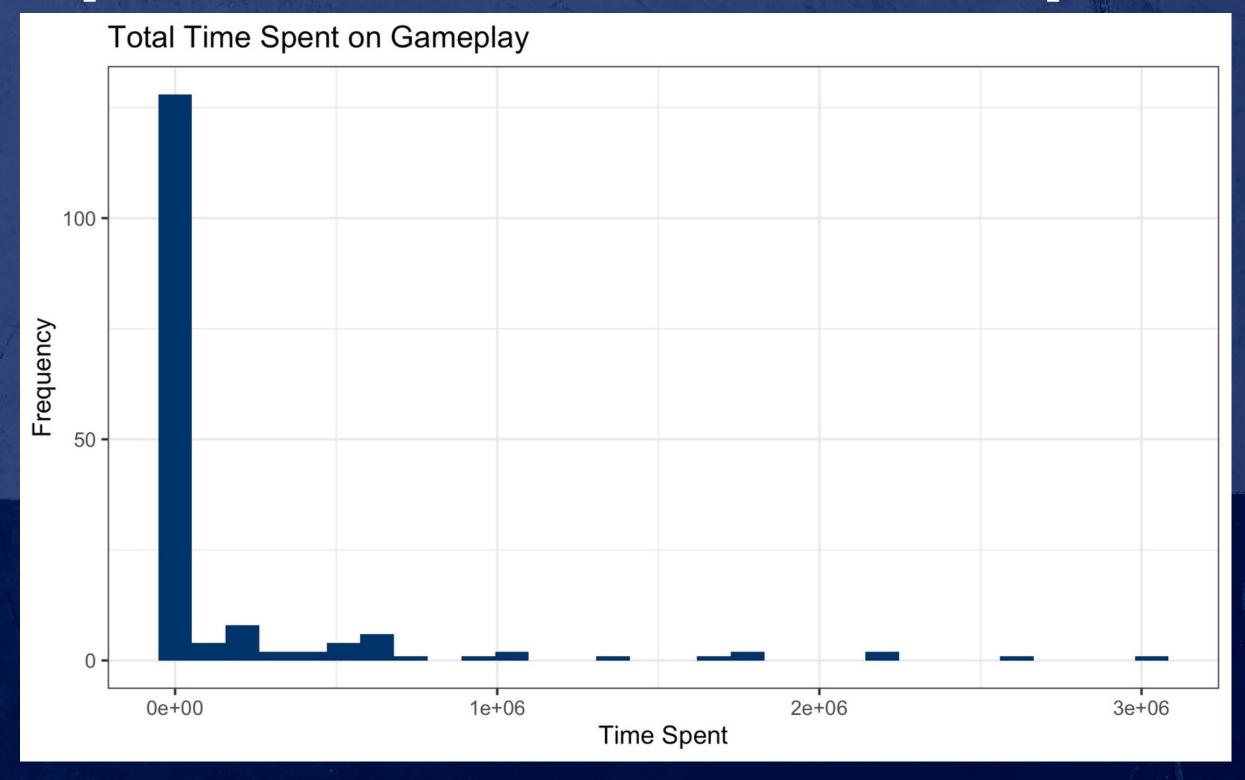
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Idea

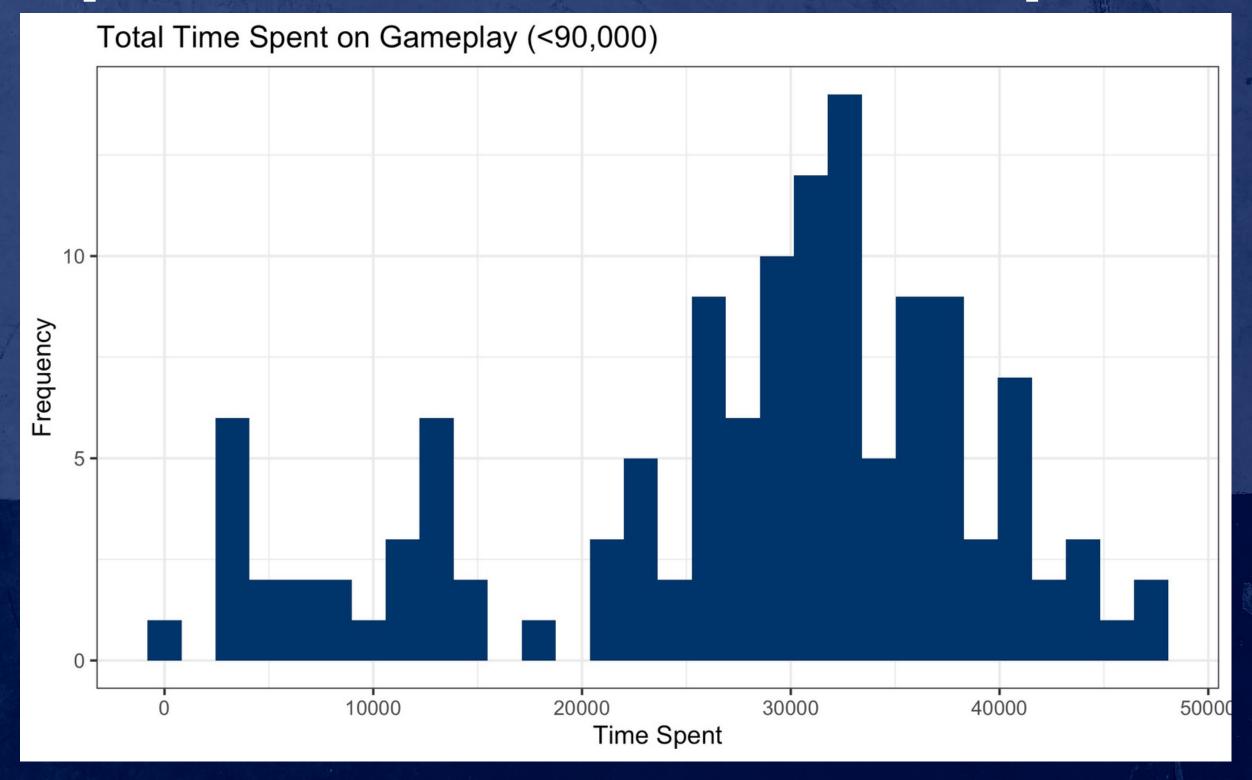
Which aspects of gameplay are associated with scores on the post-completion survey? Higher scores are associated with a lower efficacy in resisting drugs.

- Total time spent in gameplay?
- Number of events?

Let's Explore the Data!: Time Spent



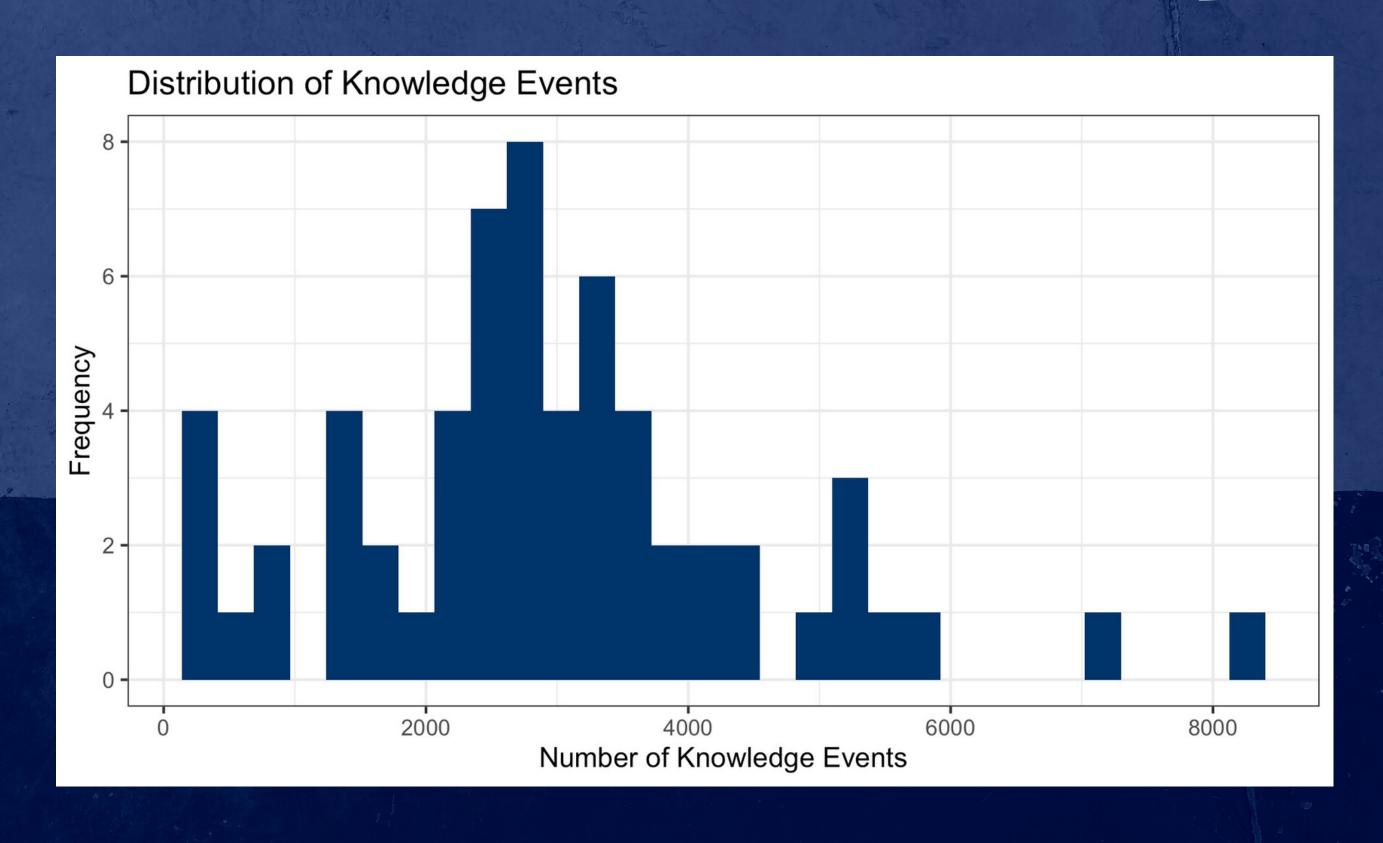
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Let's Explore the Data!: Events

- Calculate the number of different kinds of events the player participated in during the game:
 - Knowledge
 - Priority Sense
 - People Sense
 - Refuse Power
 - Challenge

Let's Explore the Data!: Knowledge



Model

- Linear Regression to understand effects
- Player's Mean Score on Survey ~ Total Time Spent + Knowledge + Priority Sense + People Sense + Refuse Power + Challenge

Model Results

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Coefficients:
                Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
                                    48.751 < 2e-16 ***
(Intercept)
               3.857e+00 7.911e-02
knowledge
              -8.617e-05
                         3.215e-05 -2.680 0.00974 **
challenge
              -1.200e-05 2.951e-05 -0.407 0.68595
                         6.819e-05 1.453
priority_sense 9.907e-05
                                           0.15208
refuse_power
              -2.240e-05 7.048e-05 -0.318 0.75179
people_sense
               5.536e-05
                         3.129e-05
                                     1.769
                                            0.08250 .
               1.019e-07
                         8.649e-08
                                     1.179
                                            0.24368
time
                      0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Signif. codes:
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Model Results

- Number of Knowledge Events is statistically significant
 - On average, a 1000 increase in the number of Knowledge events corresponds to a 0.08 decrease in the player's mean score
- Others features were not statistically significant

Discussion and Conclusion

- Number of Knowledge Events is statistically significant
 - On average, a 1000 increase in the number of Knowledge events corresponds to a 0.8 decrease in the player's mean score
- Others features were not statistically significant

- Suggestions:
 - Add more opportunities in the game to participate in Knowledge Minigames
 - Prioritize showing Knowledge Minigames

