

# NYC Shooting Project

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## NYC Shooting:

This is a breakdown of every shooting incident that occurred in NYC going back to 2006 through the end of the previous calendar year. (source: <https://catalog.data.gov/dataset/nypd-shooting-incident-data-historic>)

## Questions:

- 1) What is the trend with regard to years?
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## Bias:

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## Loading R Packages:

```
## Warning: package 'tidyverse' was built under R version 4.0.5

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

## v ggplot2 3.3.3      v purrr   0.3.4
## v tibble  3.1.0      v dplyr  1.0.5
## v tidyr   1.1.3      v stringr 1.4.0
## v readr   1.4.0      v forcats 0.5.1

## Warning: package 'tibble' was built under R version 4.0.4

## Warning: package 'tidyr' was built under R version 4.0.4

## Warning: package 'readr' was built under R version 4.0.5
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## Warning: package 'dplyr' was built under R version 4.0.4

## Warning: package 'stringr' was built under R version 4.0.3

## Warning: package 'forcats' was built under R version 4.0.5

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

## Warning: package 'lubridate' was built under R version 4.0.5

##
## Attaching package: 'lubridate'

## The following objects are masked from 'package:base':
##
##   date, intersect, setdiff, union
```

## Reading in the Data:

```
#url_in <-"https://data.cityofnewyork.us/resource/833y-fsy8.csv" - appears to be an issue, seek other p
url_in <-"https://data.cityofnewyork.us/api/views/833y-fsy8/rows.csv?accessType=DOWNLOAD"
dataShooting <- read.csv(url_in)
```

## Summary of Data:

```
summary(dataShooting)
```

```
##   INCIDENT_KEY      OCCUR_DATE      OCCUR_TIME      BORO
##   Min.   : 9953245   Length:23568   Length:23568   Length:23568
##   1st Qu.: 55317014  Class :character  Class :character  Class :character
##   Median : 83365370  Mode  :character  Mode  :character  Mode  :character
##   Mean    :102218616
##   3rd Qu.:150772442
##   Max.    :222473262
##
##   PRECINCT      JURISDICTION_CODE LOCATION_DESC      STATISTICAL_MURDER_FLAG
##   Min.   : 1.00   Min.   :0.0000   Length:23568   Length:23568
##   1st Qu.: 44.00   1st Qu.:0.0000   Class :character  Class :character
##   Median : 69.00   Median :0.0000   Mode  :character  Mode  :character
##   Mean    : 66.21   Mean    :0.3323
##   3rd Qu.: 81.00   3rd Qu.:0.0000
##   Max.    :123.00   Max.    :2.0000
##   NA's     :2
##   PERP_AGE_GROUP      PERP_SEX      PERP_RACE      VIC_AGE_GROUP
```

```
## Length:23568      Length:23568      Length:23568      Length:23568
## Class :character  Class :character  Class :character  Class :character
## Mode :character   Mode :character   Mode :character   Mode :character
##
##
##
##
## VIC_SEX            VIC_RACE            X_COORD_CD        Y_COORD_CD
## Length:23568      Length:23568      Length:23568      Length:23568
## Class :character  Class :character  Class :character  Class :character
## Mode :character   Mode :character   Mode :character   Mode :character
##
##
##
##
## Latitude          Longitude          Lon_Lat
## Min. :40.51        Min. : -74.25      Length:23568
## 1st Qu.:40.67       1st Qu.: -73.94    Class :character
## Median :40.70       Median : -73.92    Mode :character
## Mean :40.74         Mean : -73.91
## 3rd Qu.:40.82       3rd Qu.: -73.88
## Max. :40.91         Max. : -73.70
##
##
```

```
head(dataShooting)
```

```
## INCIDENT_KEY OCCUR_DATE OCCUR_TIME      BORO PRECINCT JURISDICTION_CODE
## 1  201575314 08/23/2019 22:10:00      QUEENS 103 0
## 2  205748546 11/27/2019 15:54:00      BRONX 40 0
## 3  193118596 02/02/2019 19:40:00      MANHATTAN 23 0
## 4  204192600 10/24/2019 00:52:00      STATEN ISLAND 121 0
## 5  201483468 08/22/2019 18:03:00      BRONX 46 0
## 6  198255460 06/07/2019 17:50:00      BROOKLYN 73 0
## LOCATION_DESC STATISTICAL_MURDER_FLAG PERP_AGE_GROUP PERP_SEX PERP_RACE
## 1 false
## 2 false <18 M BLACK
## 3 false 18-24 M WHITE HISPANIC
## 4 PVT HOUSE true 25-44 M BLACK
## 5 false 25-44 M BLACK HISPANIC
## 6 false 45-64 M WHITE HISPANIC
## VIC_AGE_GROUP VIC_SEX VIC_RACE X_COORD_CD Y_COORD_CD Latitude Longitude
## 1 25-44 M BLACK 1037451 193561 40.69781 -73.80814
## 2 25-44 F BLACK 1006789 237559 40.81870 -73.91857
## 3 18-24 M BLACK HISPANIC 999347 227795 40.79192 -73.94548
## 4 25-44 F BLACK 938149 171781 40.63806 -74.16611
## 5 18-24 M BLACK 1008224 250621 40.85455 -73.91334
## 6 25-44 M BLACK 1009650 186966 40.67983 -73.90843
##
## Lon_Lat
## 1 POINT (-73.808140716999996 40.697805308000056)
## 2 POINT (-73.918570617999993 40.818699730000005)
## 3 POINT (-73.945479659999999 40.791916091000076)
## 4 POINT (-74.166108301999996 40.638063982000006)
## 5 POINT (-73.913339443999999 40.854547349000003)
## 6 POINT (-73.908425238999994 40.679827016000005)
```

```
# DETAILS OF SUMMARY:
# INCIDENT_KEY: provides a unique key/id to every row
# OCCUR_DATE: provides date of incident
# OCCUR_TIME: provides time of incident
# BORO: provides the location per boro (five boros to NY City)
# PRECINCT: provides the police station reasonable
# JURISDICTION_CODE: provides police station location and j code
# LOCATION_DESC: provides location of incident
# STATISTICAL_MURDER_FLAG: provides details of shooting (fatal)
# PERP_AGE_GROUP, PERP_SEX, PERP_RACE: provides details of perpetrator
# VIC_AGE_GROUP, VIC_SEX, VIC_RACE: provides details of victim
# X_COORD_CD, Y_COORD_CD, LATITUDE, LONGITUDE, GEOCODED_COLUMN: provides location information of inci
```

**# TIDY DATA (a wee bit):**

```
#dataShooting <- separate(dataShooting, occur_date, into = c("date", "timeRemove"), sep = "T") - basic,
#dataShooting$BORO <- as.factor(dataShooting$BORO) - factor works, but issues with plots, dropped!

dataShooting <- mutate(dataShooting, OCCUR_DATE = mdy(OCCUR_DATE), dsSHOOTINGS = 1,
  YEARS = format_ISO8601(OCCUR_DATE, precision = "y"),
  YEAR_MONTHS = format_ISO8601(OCCUR_DATE, precision = "ym"))
```

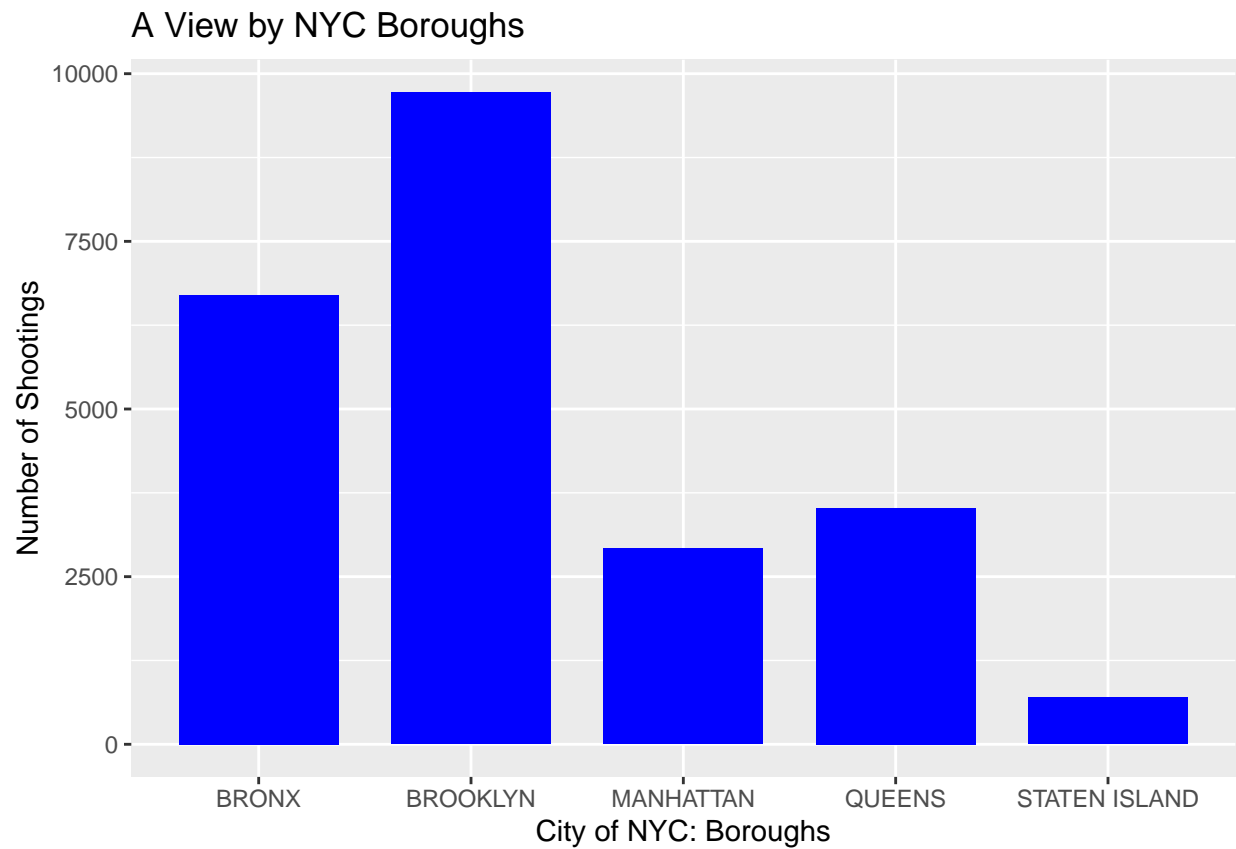
**SELECTING COLUMNS:**

```
dsPlotReview <- select(dataShooting, OCCUR_DATE, VIC_AGE_GROUP, YEAR_MONTHS, YEARS, OCCUR_TIME, BORO, d
  filter(dsSHOOTINGS == "1")
```

**Three Basic Visualizations:**

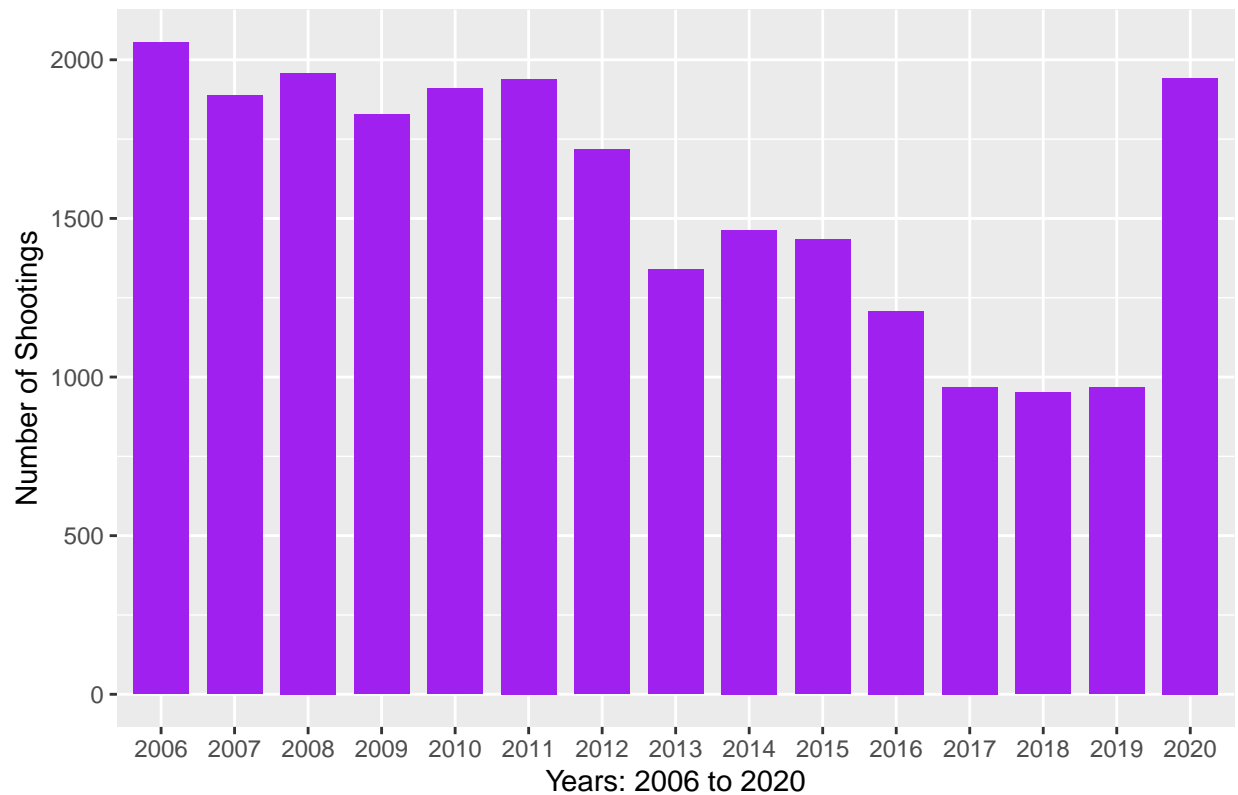
```
dsPlotOne <- dsPlotReview %>%
  group_by(BORO) %>%
  count()

dsPlotViewOne <- ggplot(dsPlotOne, aes(x = BORO, weight =n)) +
  geom_bar(width = .75, fill = "blue") +
  labs(x = "City of NYC: Boroughs", y = "Number of Shootings",
    title = "A View by NYC Boroughs")
plot(dsPlotViewOne)
```



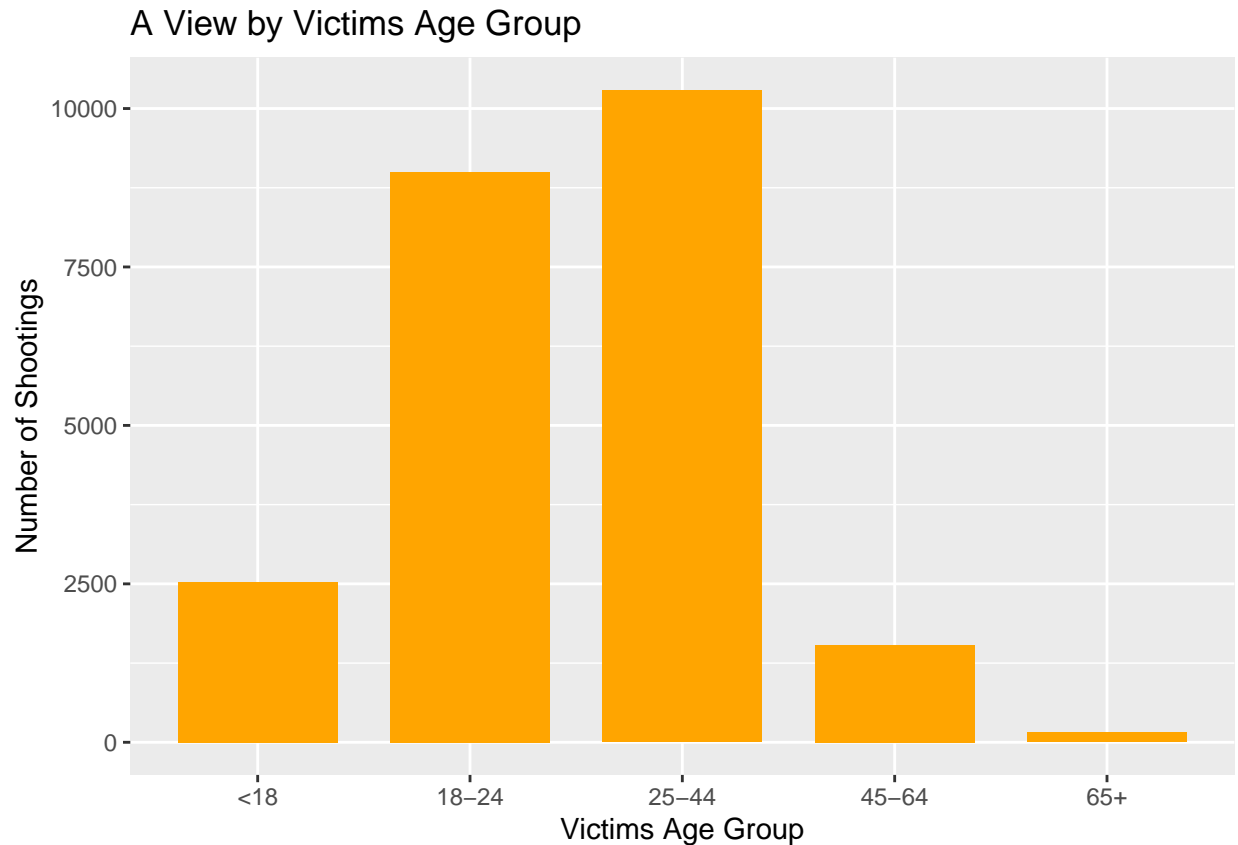
```
#-----  
dsPlotTwo <- dsPlotReview %>%  
  group_by(YEARS) %>%  
  count()  
  
dsPlotViewTwo <-ggplot(dsPlotTwo, aes(x = YEARS, weight =n)) +  
  geom_bar(width = .75, fill = "purple") +  
  labs(x = "Years: 2006 to 2020", y = "Number of Shootings",  
       title = "A View by The Years")  
plot(dsPlotViewTwo)
```

A View by The Years



```
#-----
dsPlotThree <- dsPlotReview %>%
  group_by(VIC_AGE_GROUP) %>%
  filter(VIC_AGE_GROUP != "UNKNOWN") %>%
  count()

dsPlotViewThree <- ggplot(dsPlotThree, aes(x = VIC_AGE_GROUP, weight = n)) +
  geom_bar(width = .75, fill = "orange") +
  labs(x = "Victims Age Group", y = "Number of Shootings",
       title = "A View by Victims Age Group")
plot(dsPlotViewThree)
```



## Conclusion:

### Review of Bias:

Coming from New York, my bias was based on pride. Finding out what borough had the highest number was my focus and the age groups within that area. I think I wanted to prove the area that I grew up in had a lower incident rate than others. In regards to selecting the data, well, that was the assignment, but I asked the question if I would do this on my own, and yes, I would – so that needs to be accounted for as well. Even though this RMD file does not have further studies, I reviewed later, other factors, including race, age, and murder count. These to have a question of bias attached to them.

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### Question & Answers:

- 1) What is the trend with regard to years? - According to the data, incidents were going down, but made a sharp turn up during the past year (2020).
- 2) What is the lowest/highest number of incidents per victim age group? - According to the data, the age group of “25-44” has the greatest number incidents.