

# Extracting Insights from the Line Chart

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# Overview



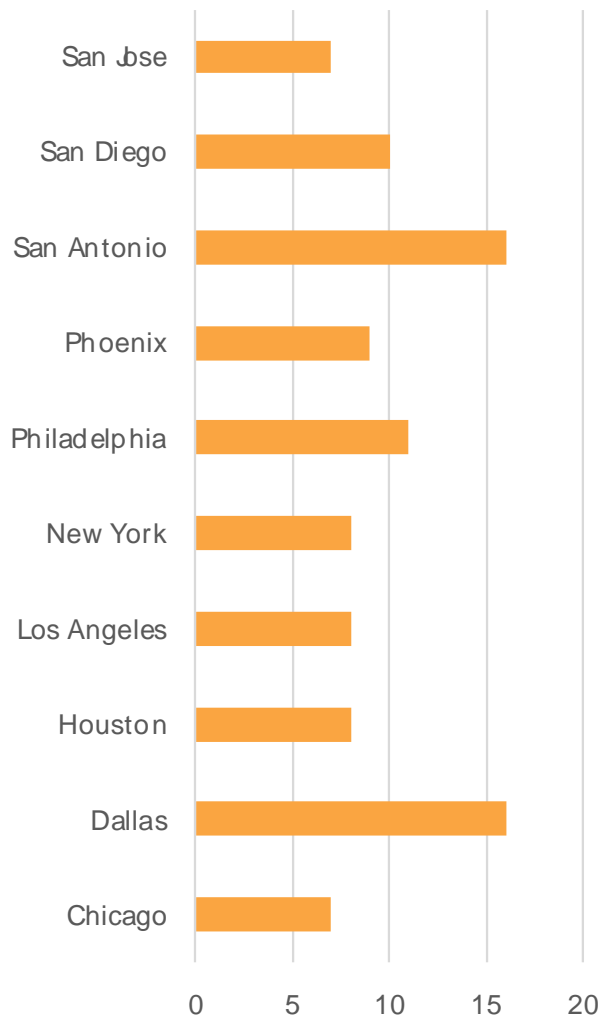
**Secondary axis**

**Combo chart**

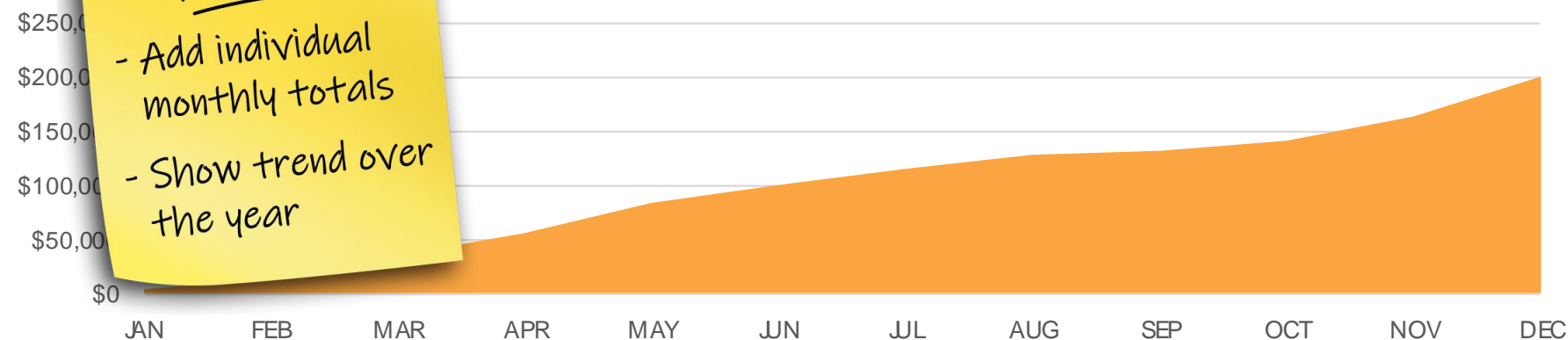
**Trendlines**

- Linear
- Moving average
- Logarithmic
- Polynomial
- Power
- Exponential

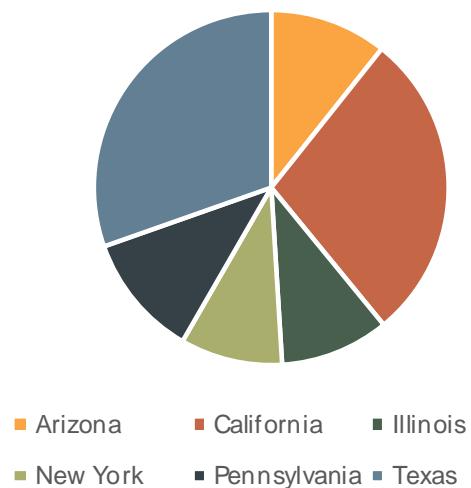
## STORES IN CITY



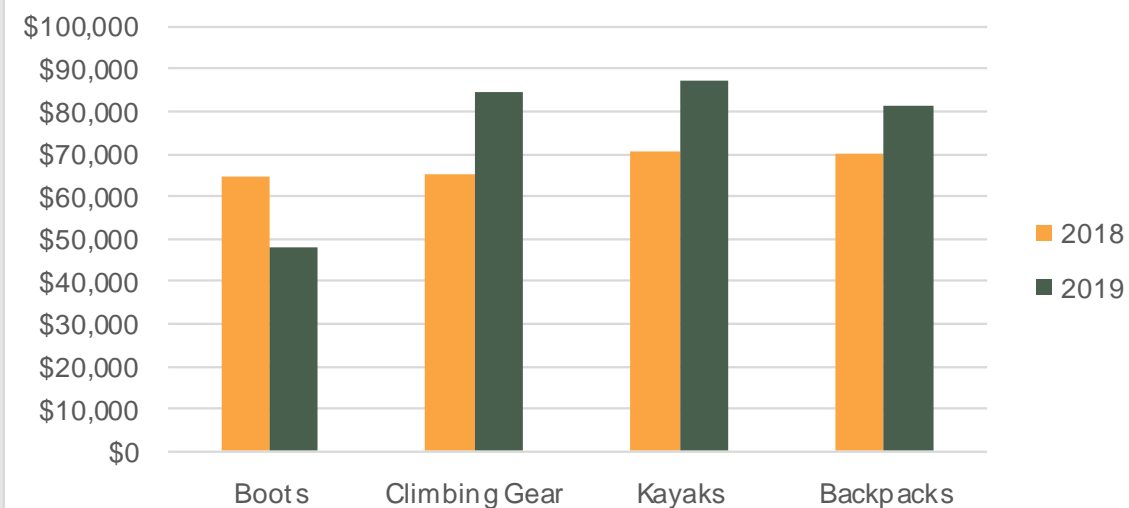
## MONTHLY RUNNING TOTAL



## SALES BY STATE



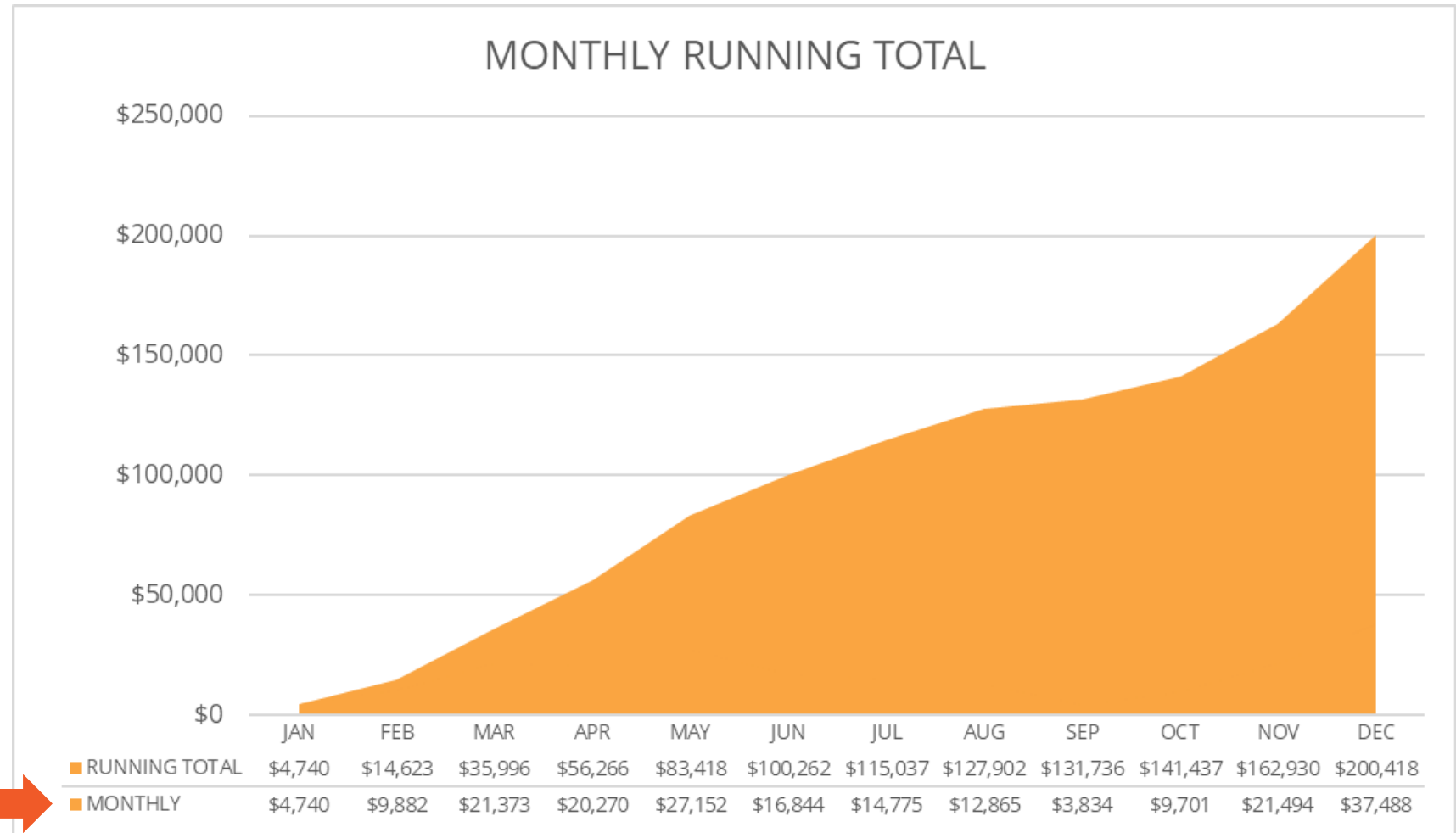
## CATEGORY TOTAL



# Dashboard Review

Awesome!

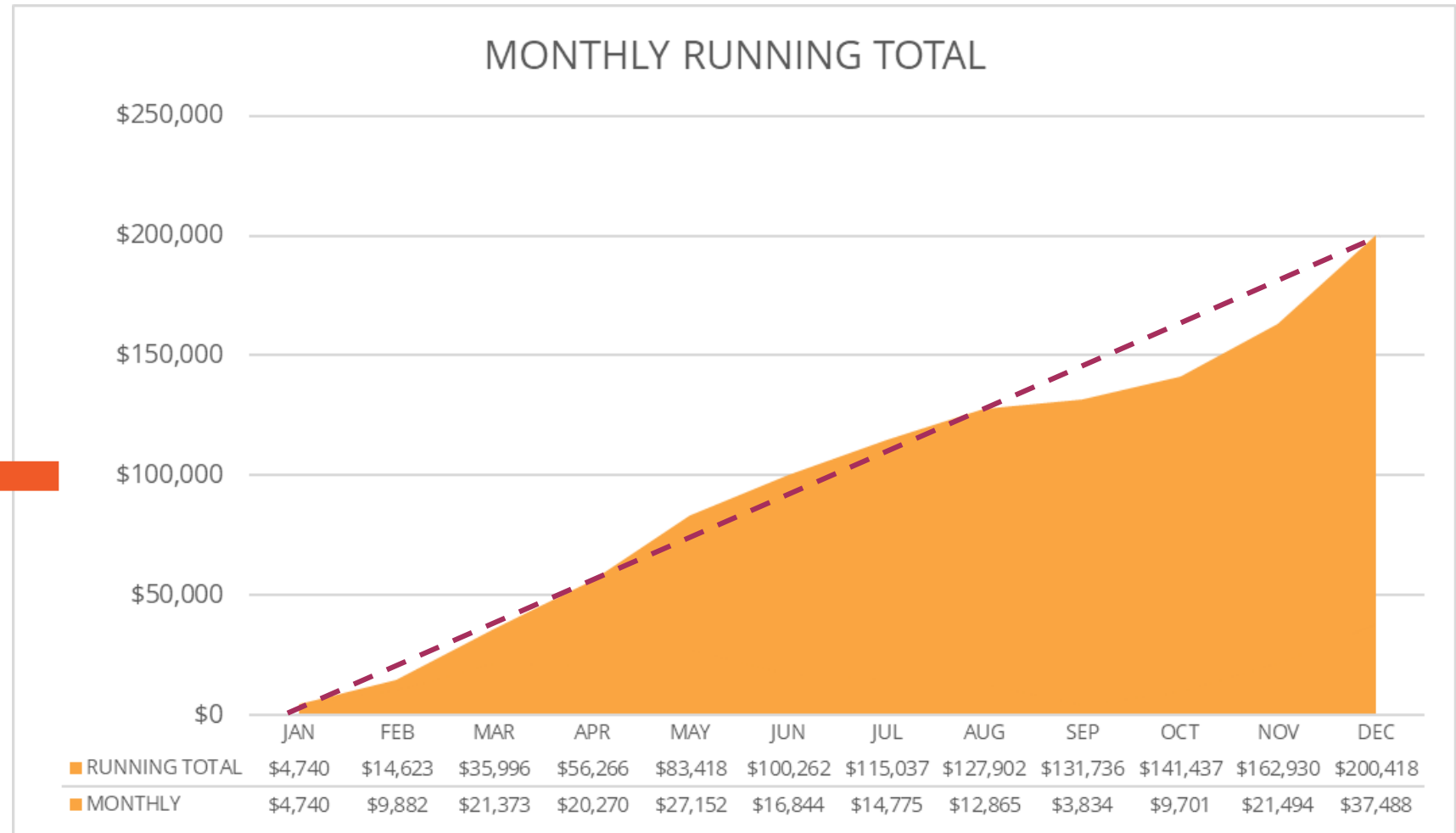
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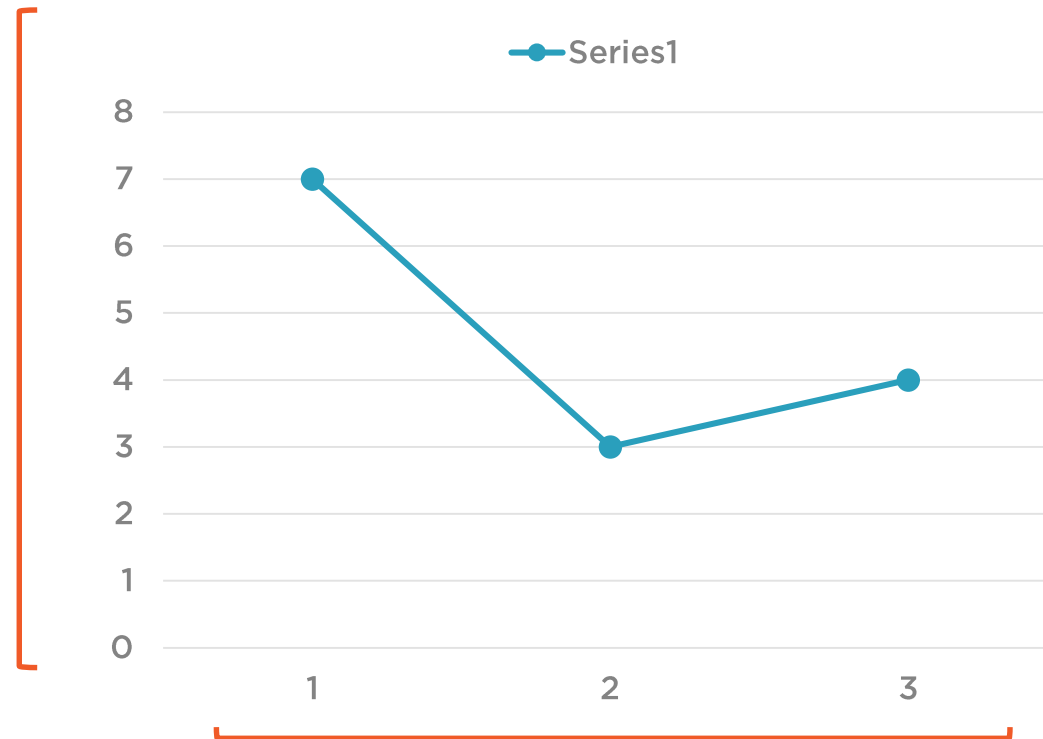
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# Line Chart

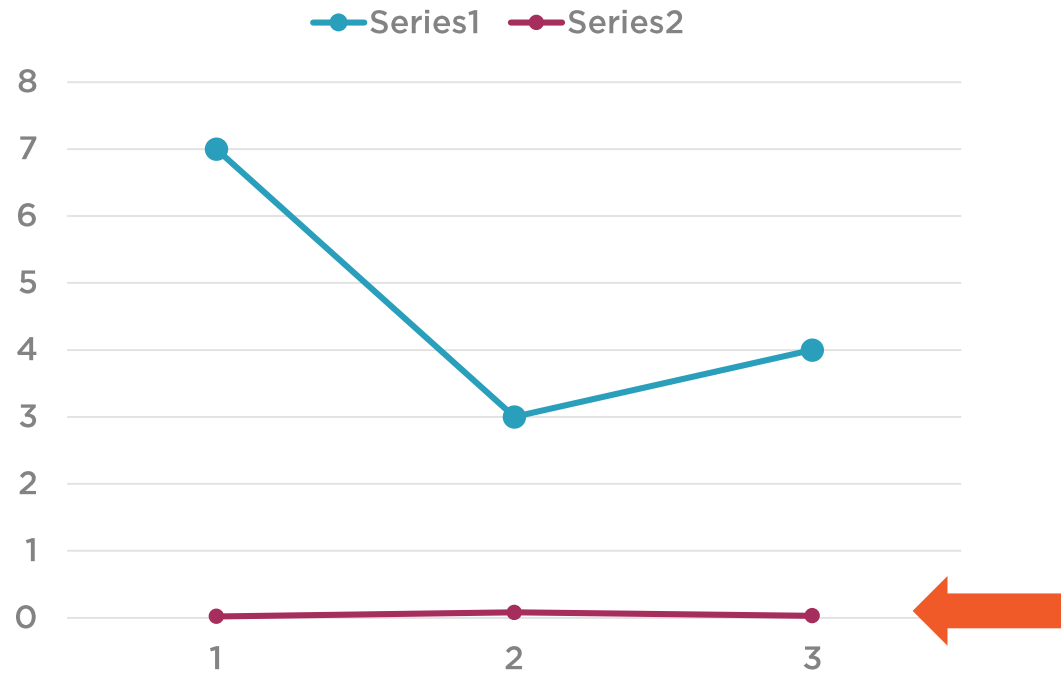
Vertical axis  
**VALUES**



Horizontal axis  
**CATEGORIES**



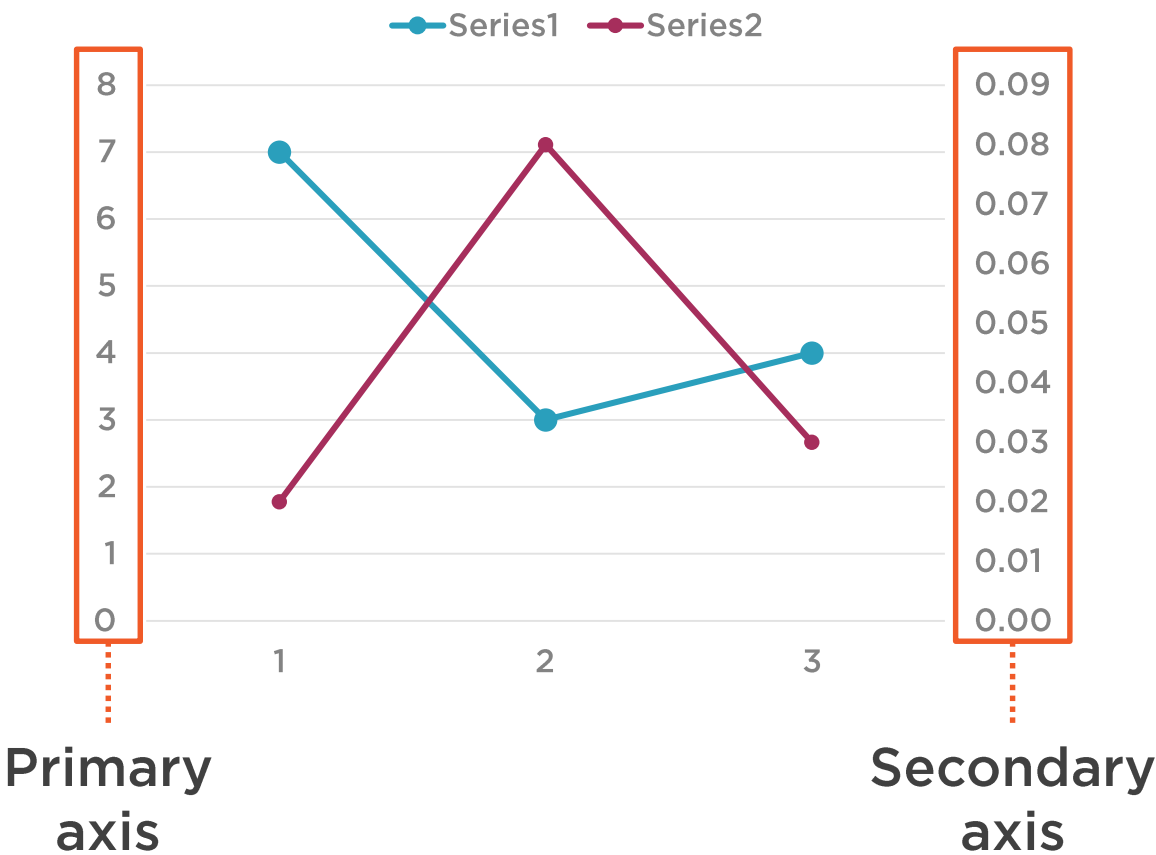
# Data Series



Name	A	B
Category 1	7	0.02
Category 2	3	0.08
Category 3	4	0.03



# Secondary Axis

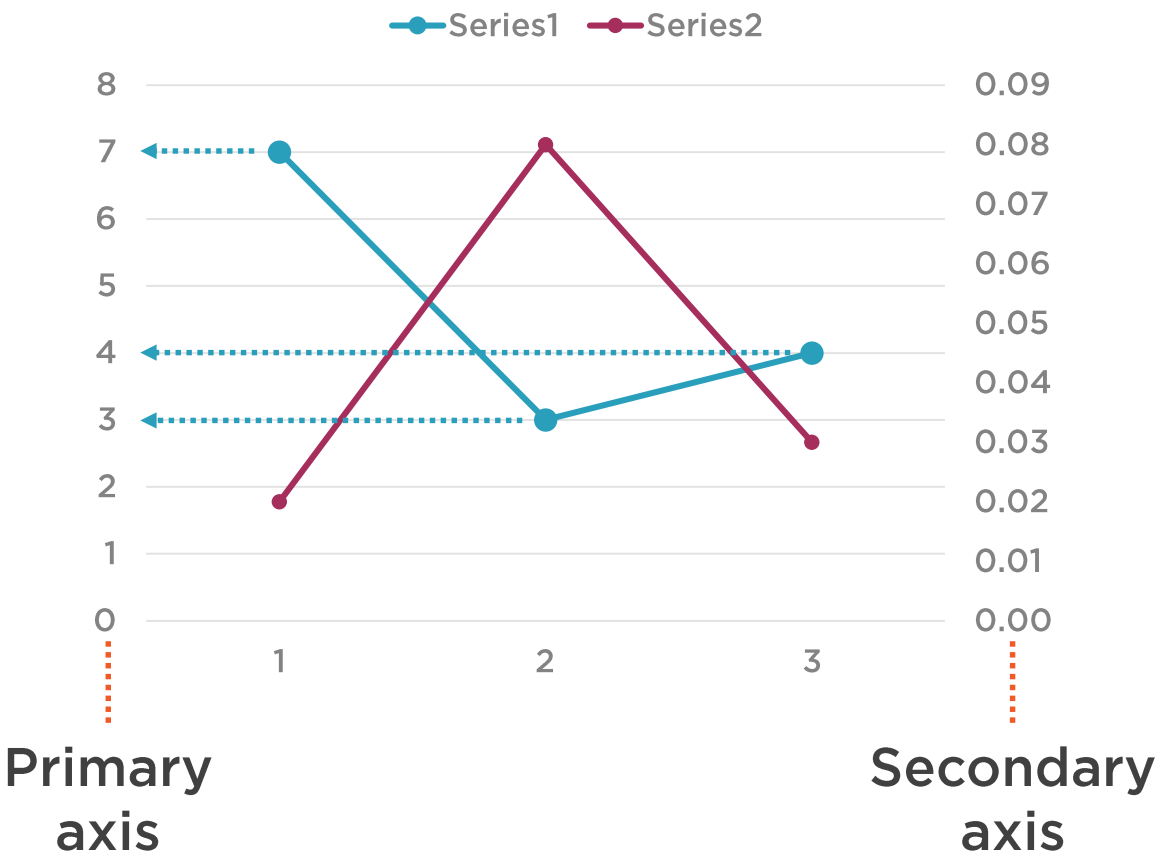


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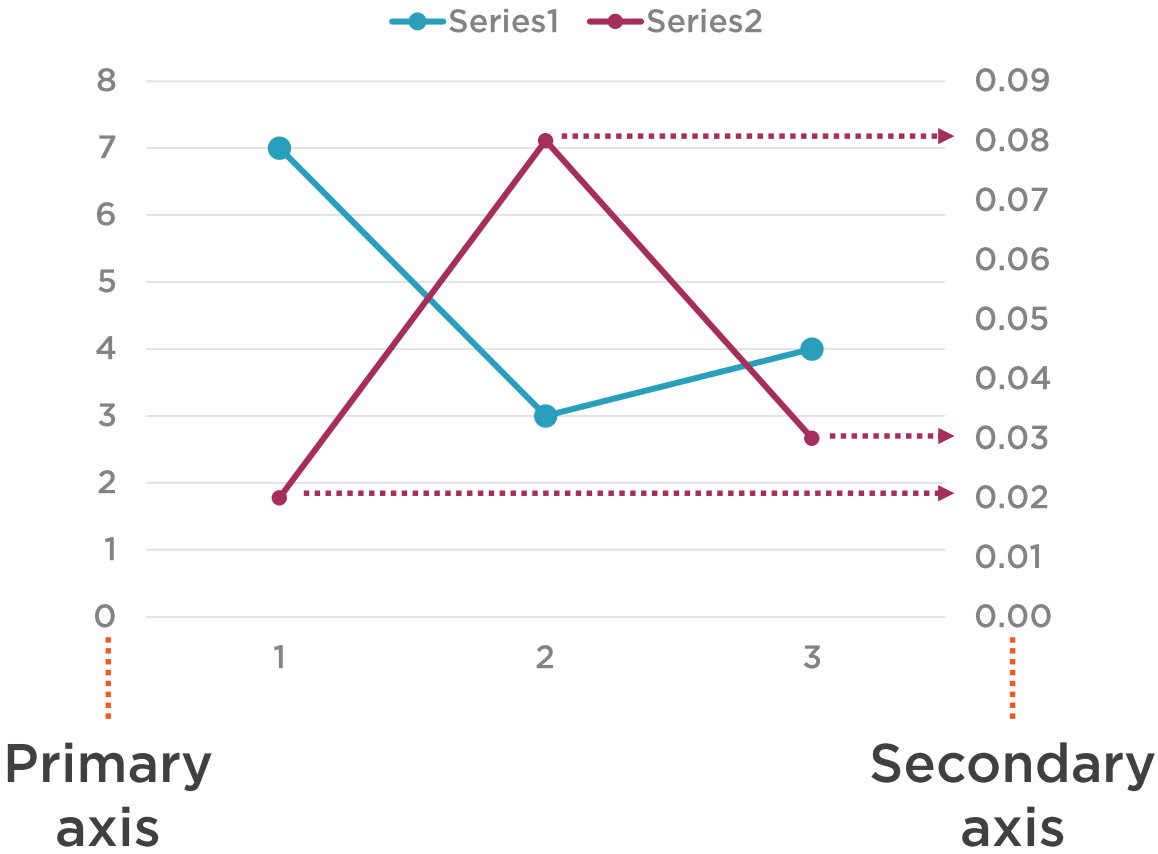
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# trend line

A line on a graph showing a statistical trend

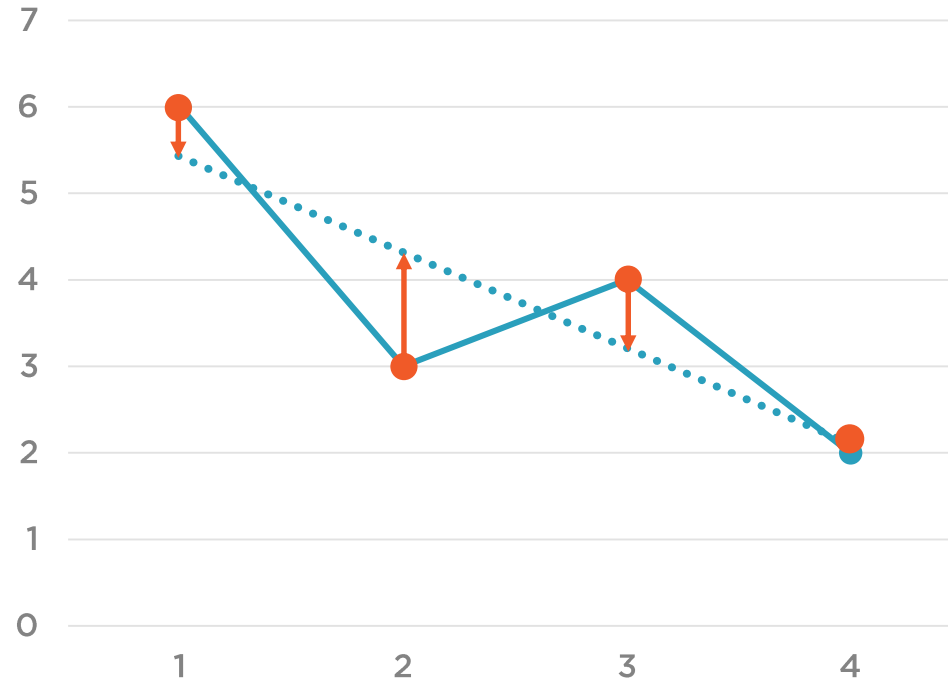


# regression

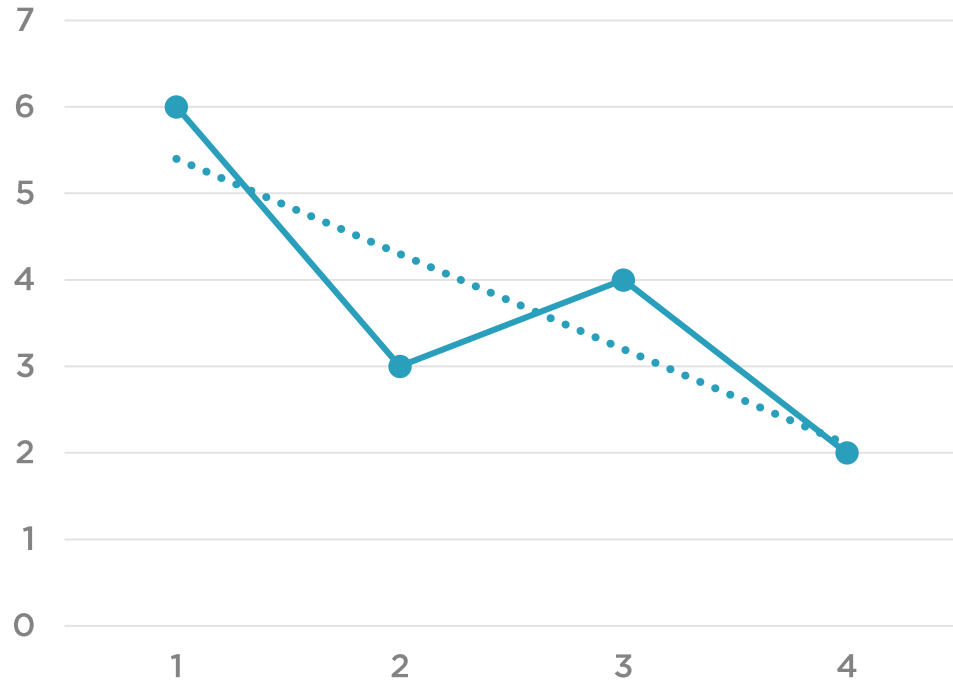
A functional relationship between two or more correlated variables that is often empirically determined from data and is used especially to predict values of one variable when given values of the others



# Linear Trendline



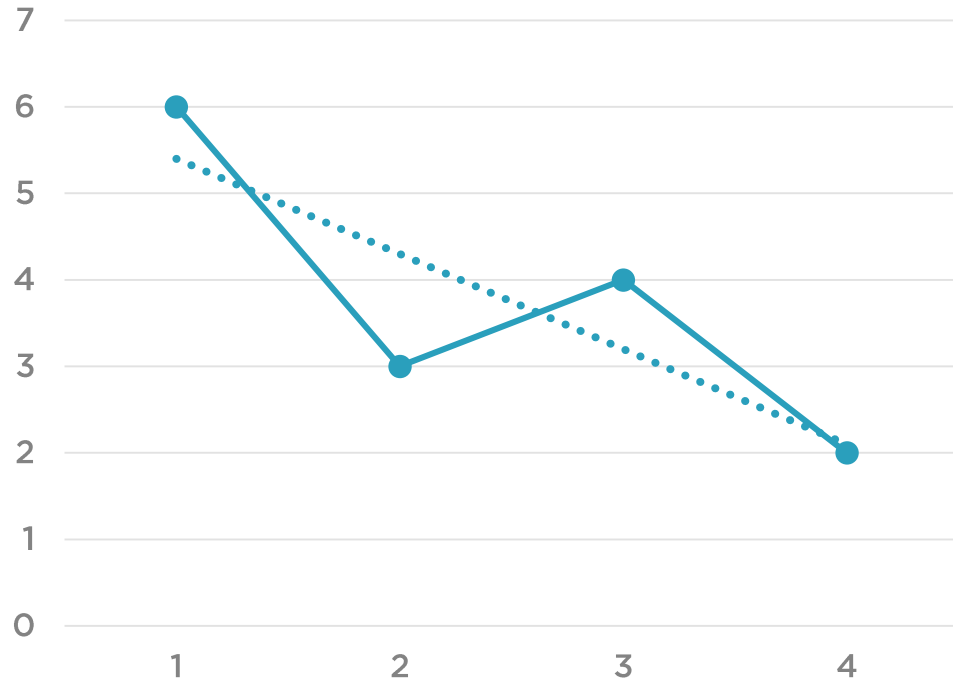
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$$\underset{\substack{\text{Value} \\ \vdots}}{y} = \underset{\substack{\text{Slope} \\ \vdots}}{mx} + \underset{\substack{\text{Intercept} \\ \vdots}}{b}$$



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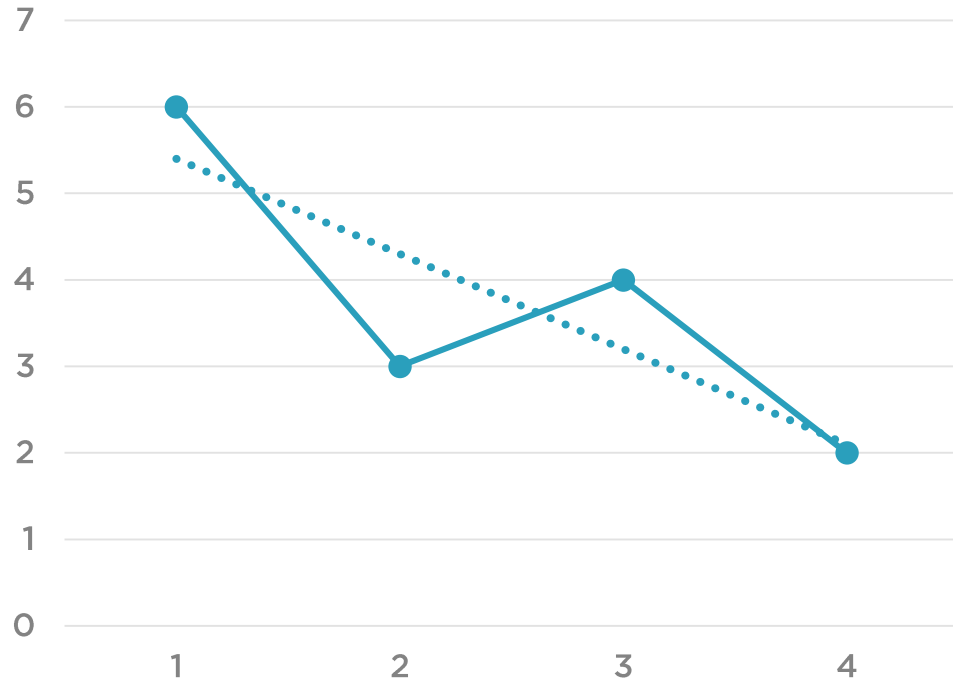


$$y = -1.1x + 6.5$$

Value      Slope      Intercept



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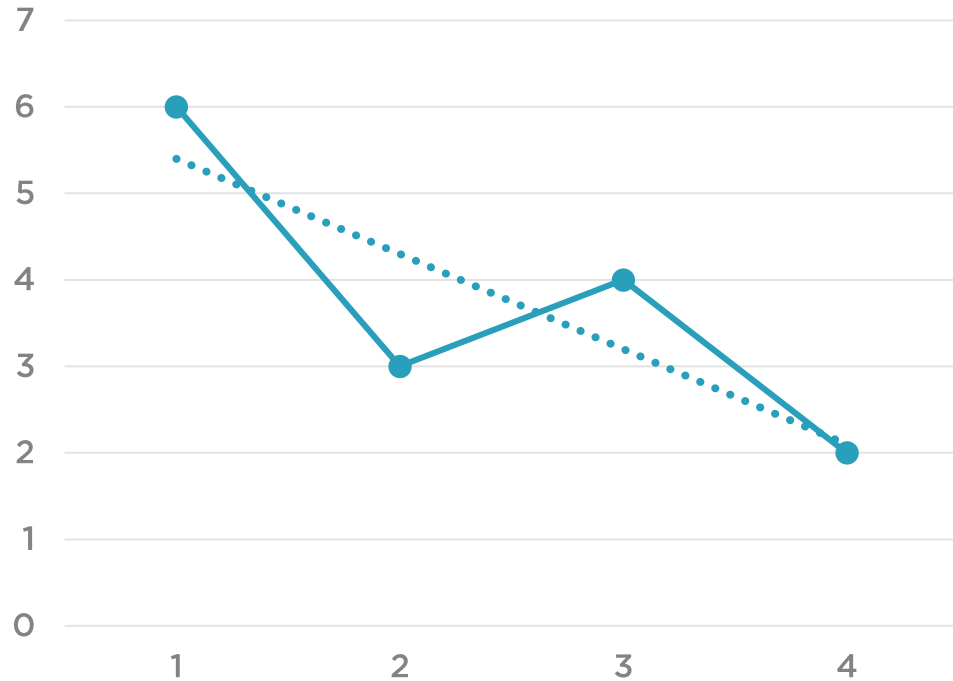
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$R^2$  : Measure





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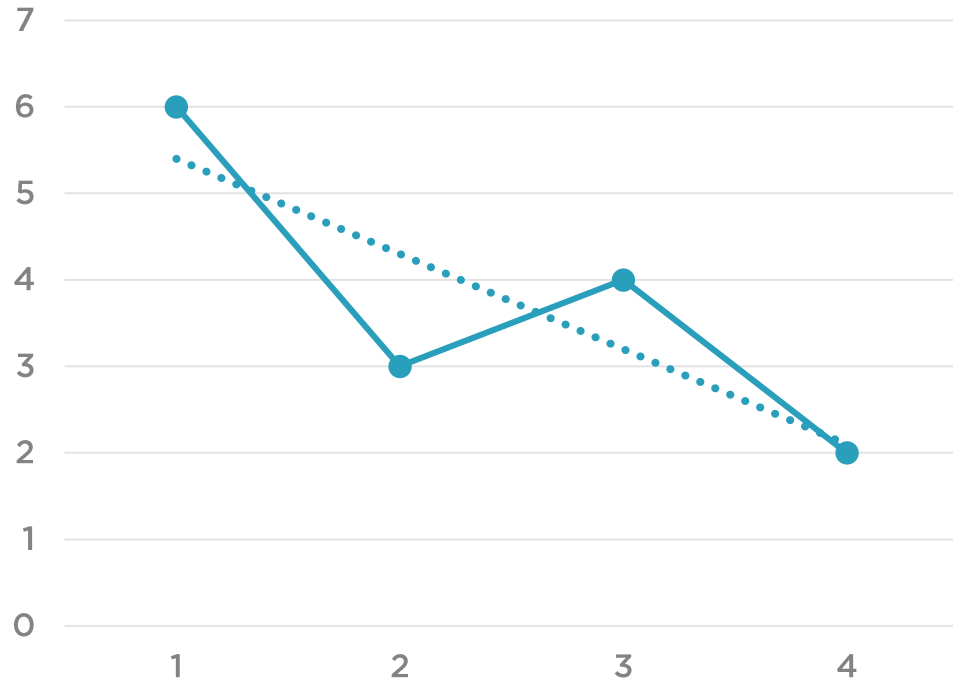
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0-----1



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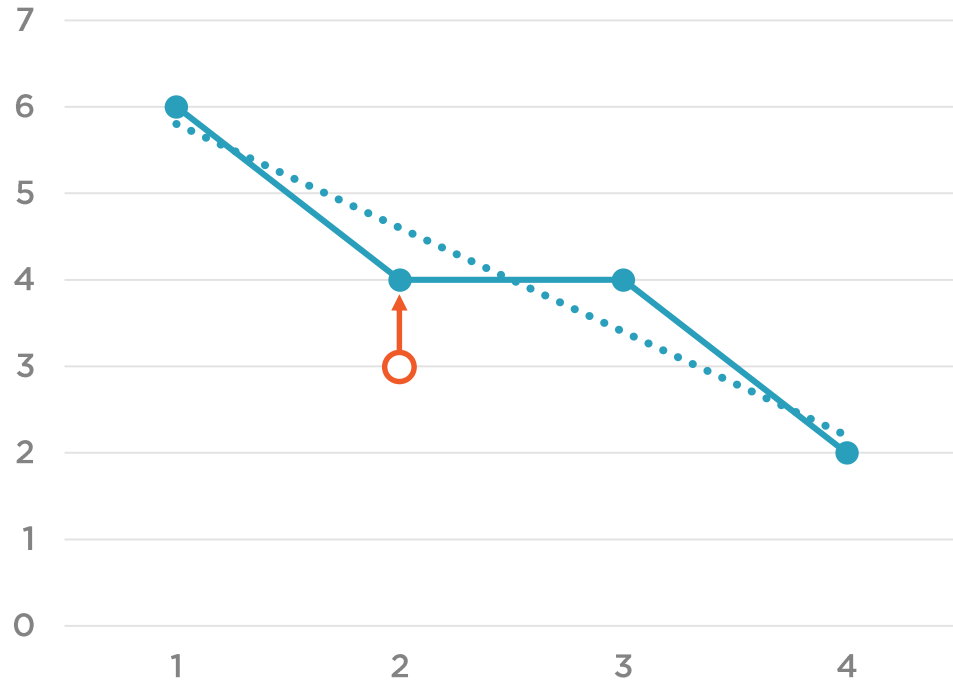


$$y = -1.1x + 6.5$$

$$R^2 = 0.691$$



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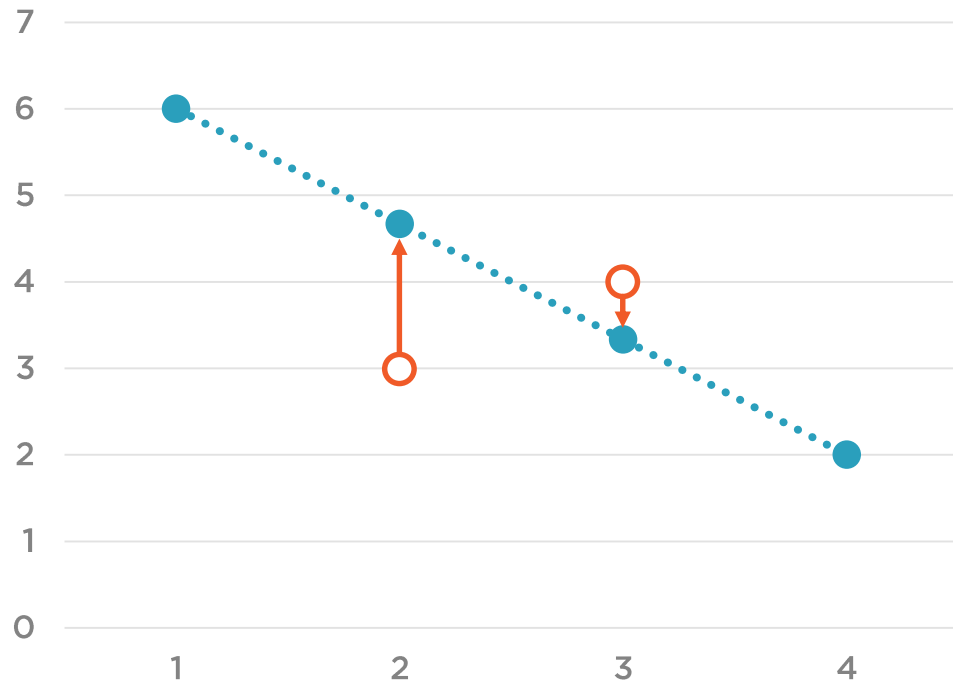


$$y = -1.2x + 7.0$$

$$R^2 = 0.900$$



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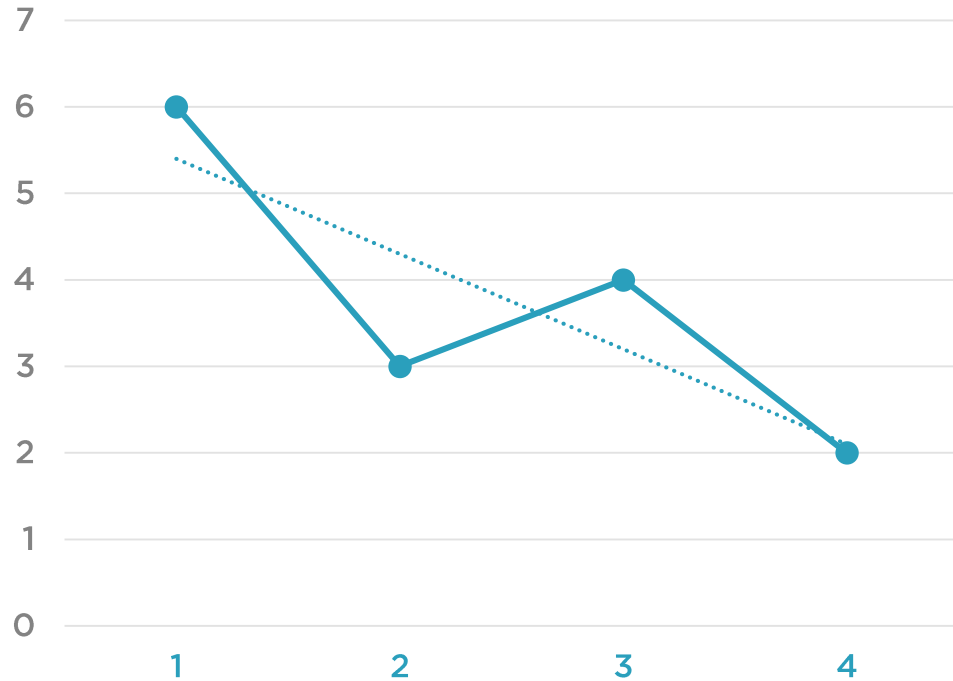


$$y = -1.33x + 7.33$$

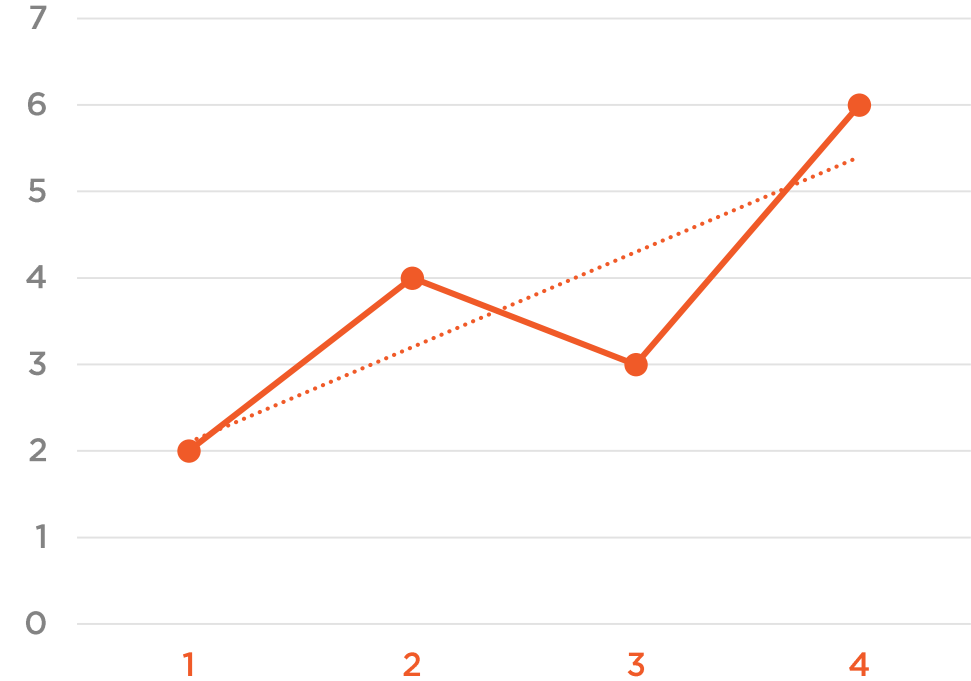
$$R^2 = 1.00$$



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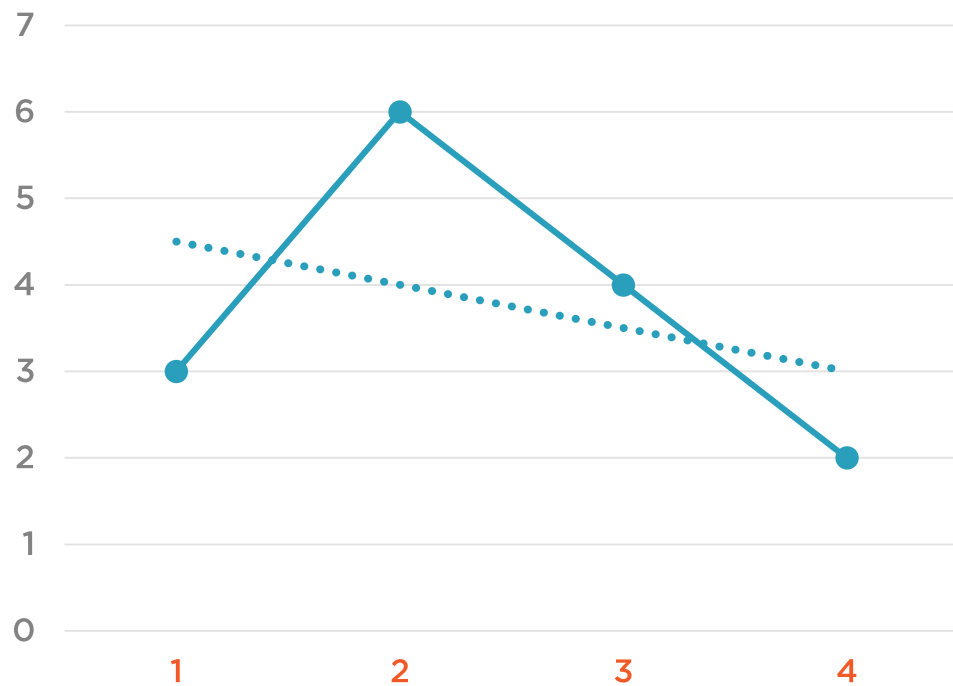
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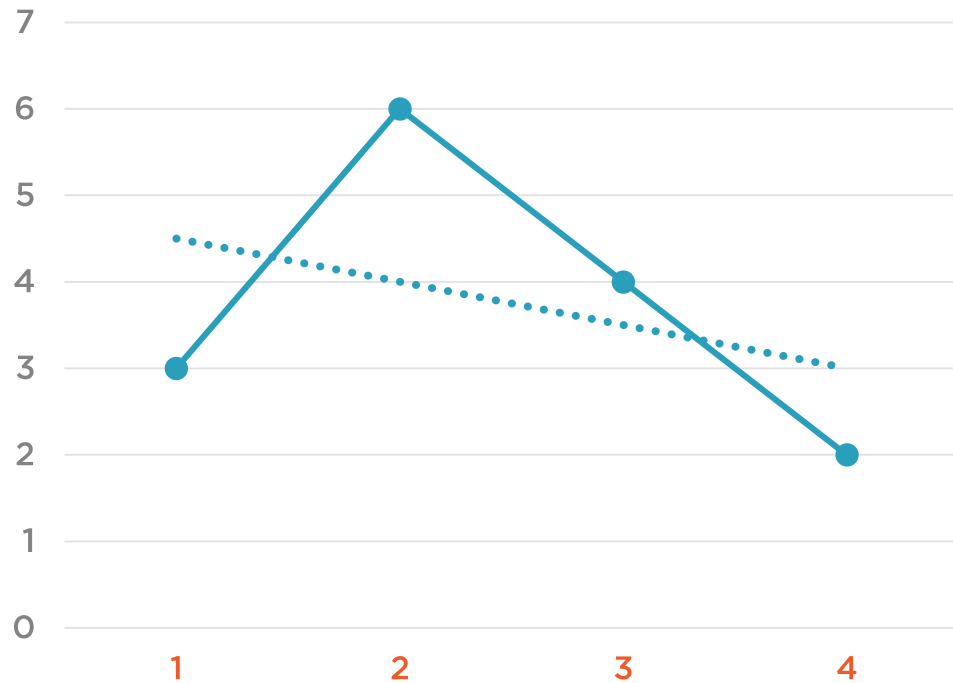
$$y = 1.1x + 1.0$$
$$R^2 = 0.691$$



# Linear Trendline



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$$y = -0.5x + 5.0$$

$$R^2 = 0.143$$



# Trendline Options

**Linear**

**Logarithmic**

**Exponential**

**Polynomial**

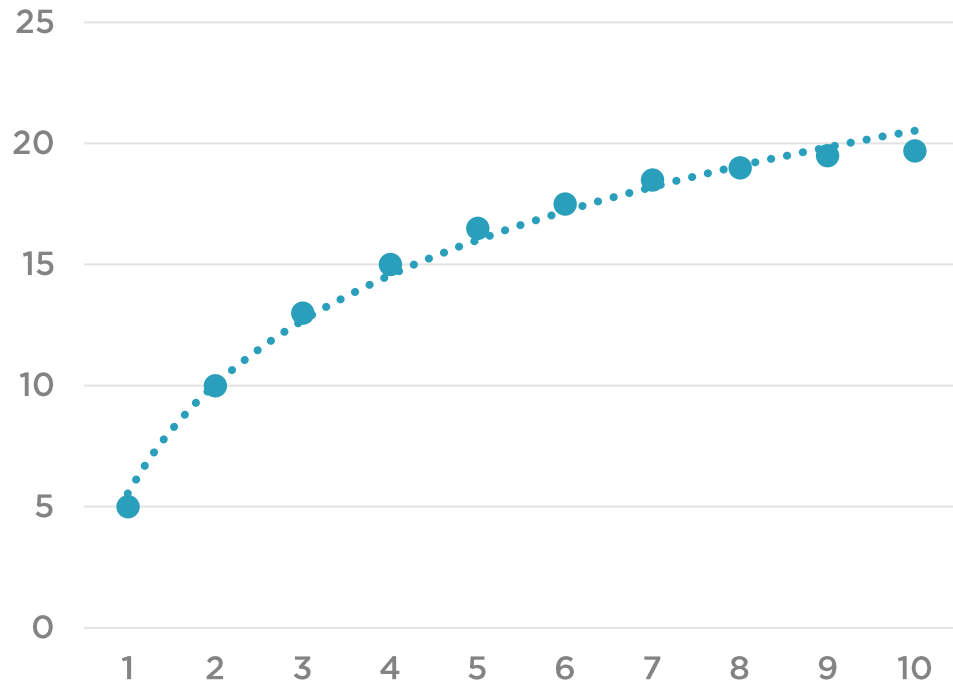
**Power**

**Moving average**





# Logarithmic Trendline

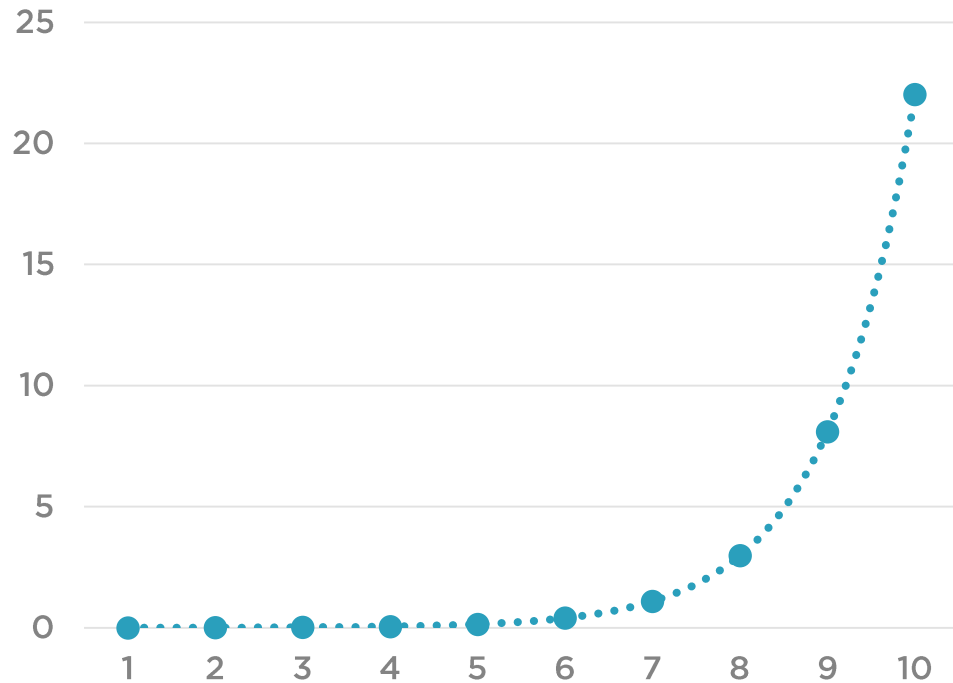


$$y = a * \ln x + b$$

High initial rate of change, then levels out



# Exponential Trendline

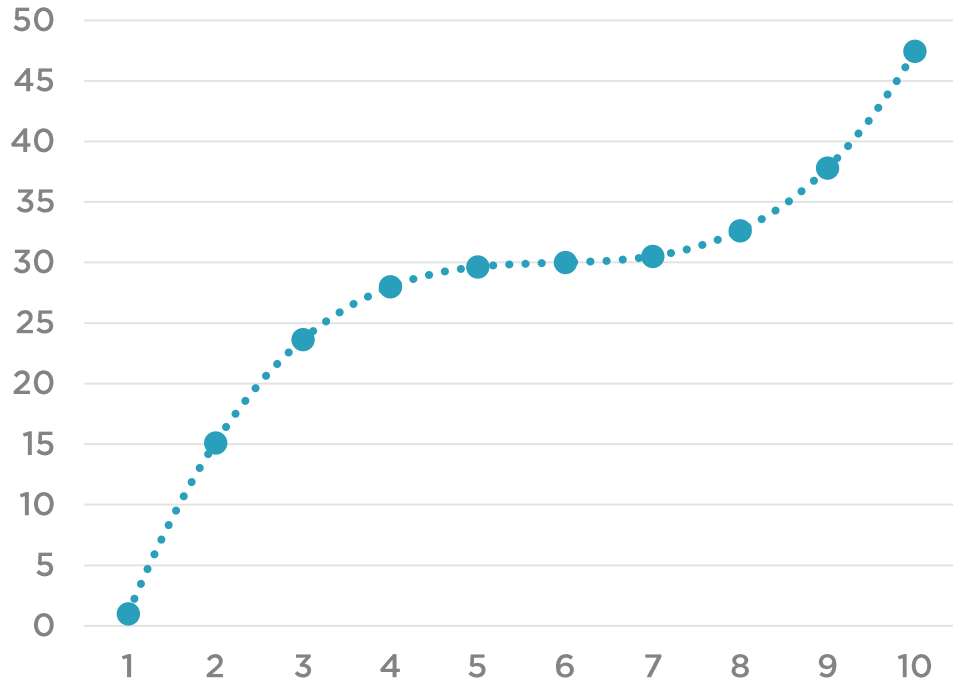


$$y = a * e^{bx}$$

Rate of change  
continuously increases



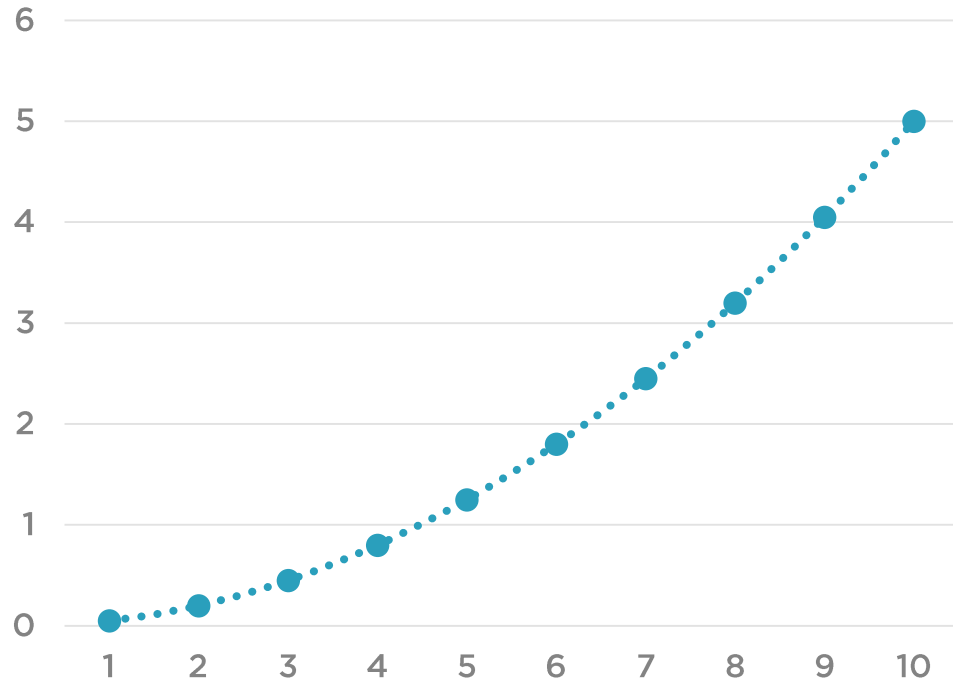
# Polynomial Trendline



$$y = \beta_0 + \beta_1x + \beta_2x^2 + \cdots + \boxed{\beta_nx^n}$$

One or more apparent  
inflection points

# Power Trendline

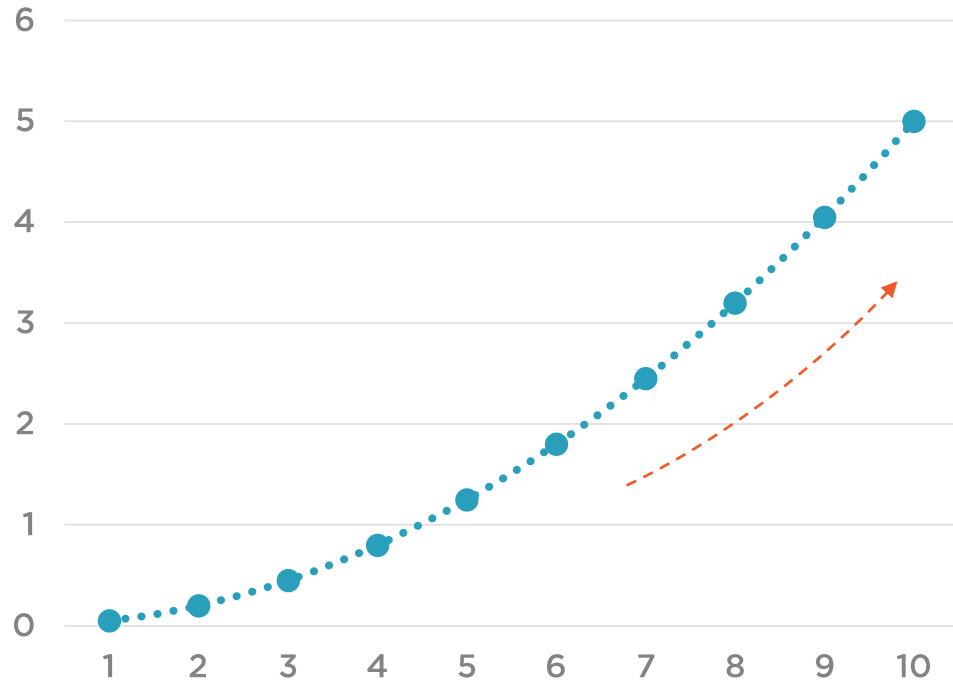


$$y = a * x^b$$

Positive values increasing  
at a specific rate



# Power Trendline

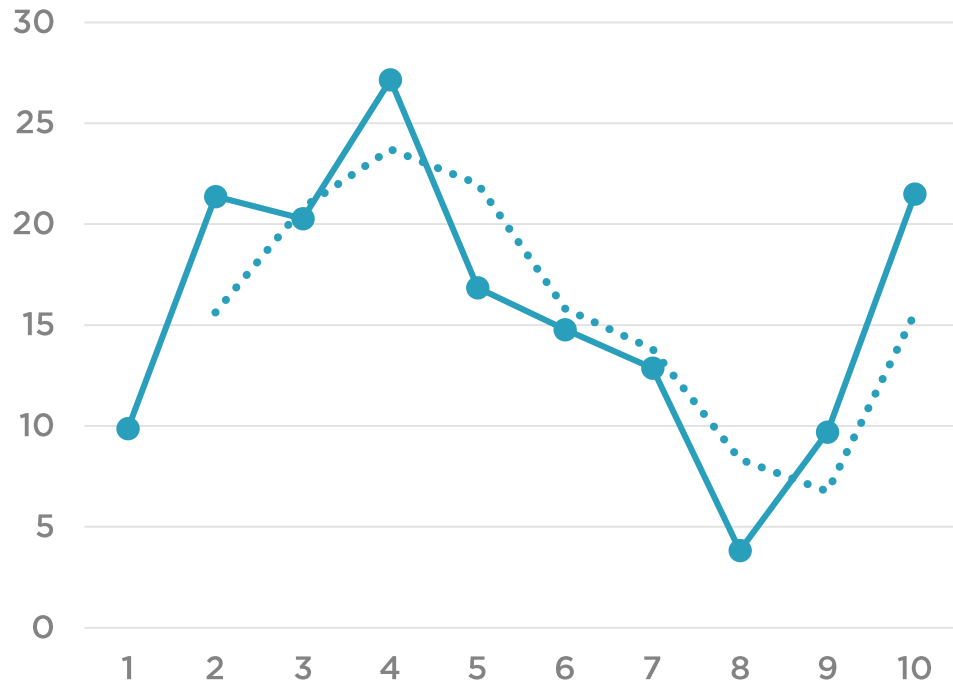


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# Moving Average Trendline



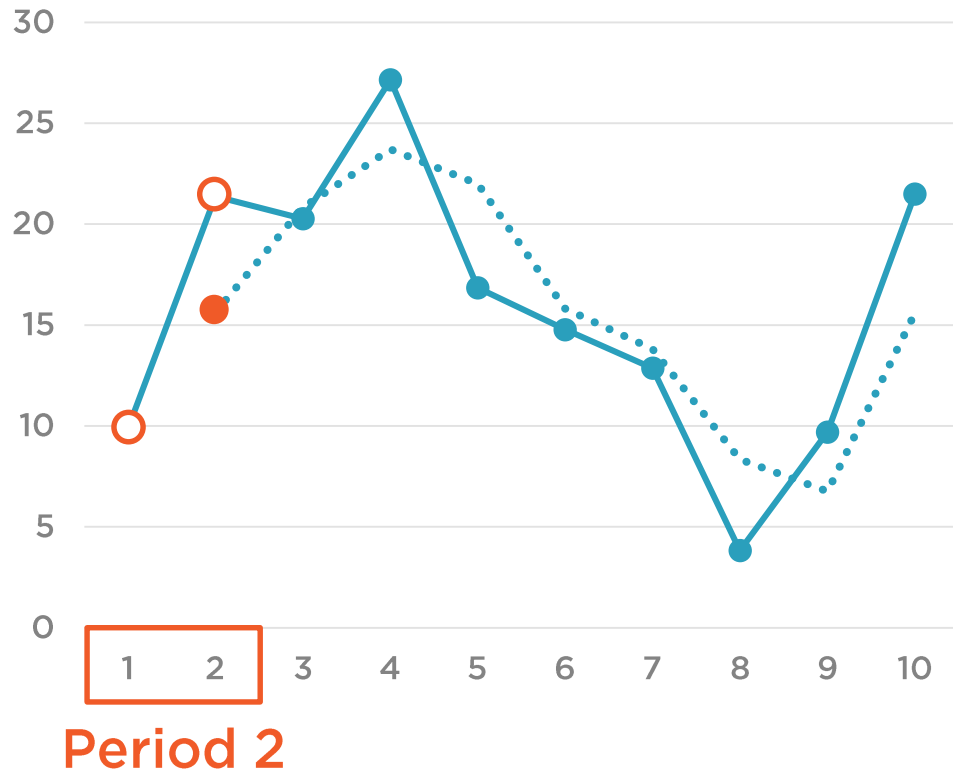
Smooth out noise and variations to show a pattern

## **Period**

Number of points to average



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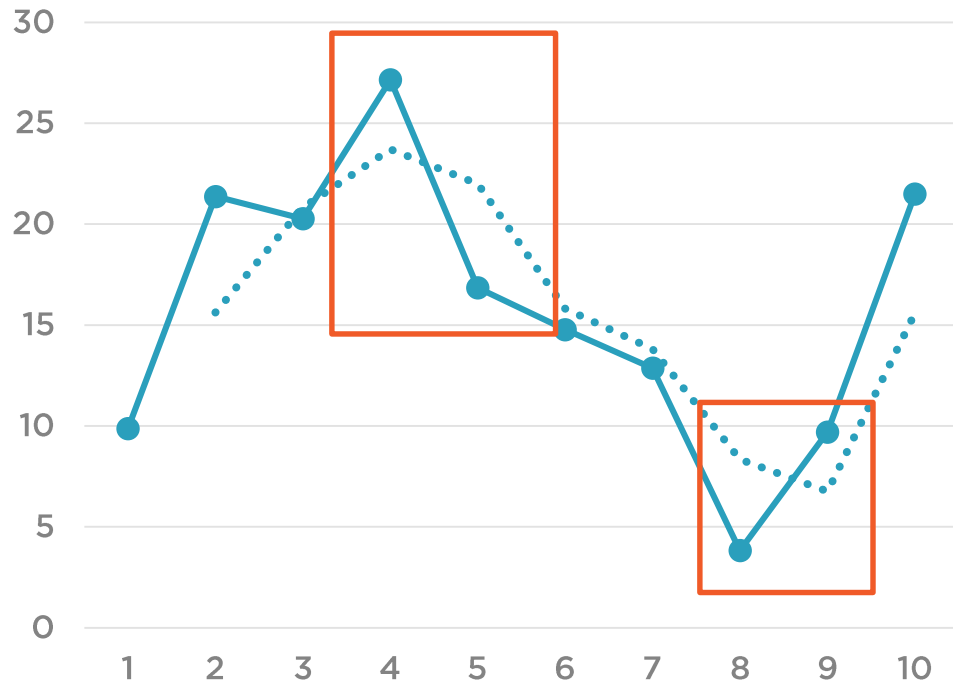
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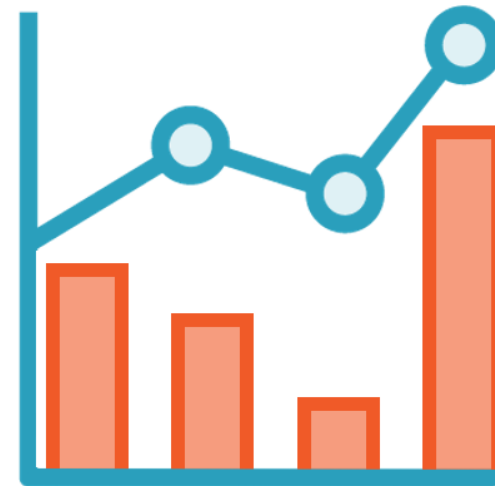




# Summary – Chart Design

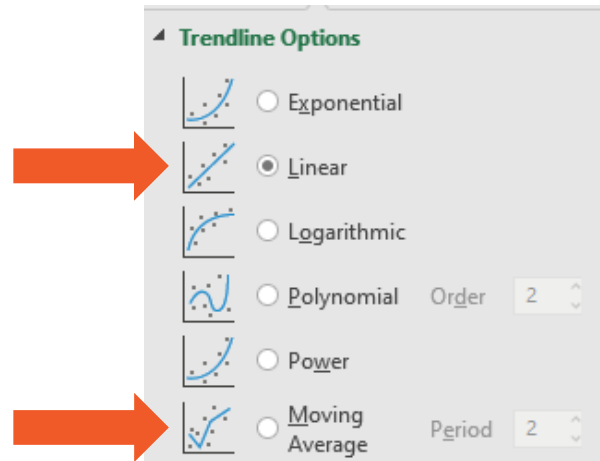


Secondary axis



Combo chart

# Summary – Trendlines



Trendline options

$$R^2$$

0-----1

Coefficient of determination



# Summary – Add Trendlines

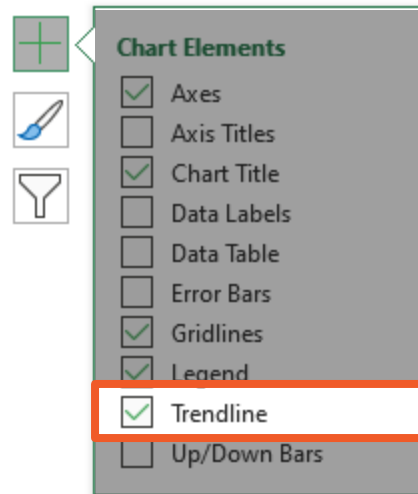


Chart elements menu

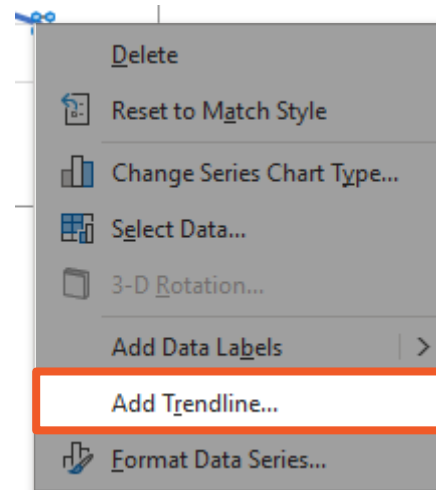


Chart context menu

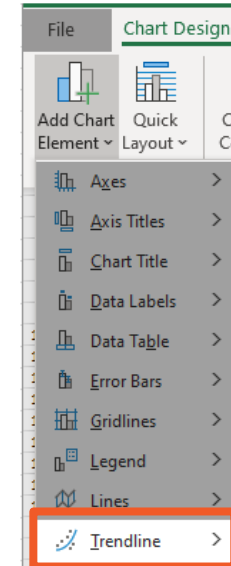


Chart design ribbon