

AE review of JDSSV ms 64-rev1: Visual Narratives of the Covid-19 pandemic

Overall evaluation

This revision is a great improvement over the initial version. Nearly all comments/suggestions of the reviewers have been addressed, and the ms. is now ready for publication, subject to a few minor nits, questions and stylistic changes entered as comments in the PDF text of the paper. The range of examples and their explanations is now impressive. I apologize for the length of time it has been under review, but I think that readers of JDSSV will find this a very useful and informative paper, well worth waiting for.

Other comments

Perhaps I missed this somewhere, but you might say in conclusion something like that the COVID pandemic provided a rich and compelling source of illustrations to consider how such data are displayed.

The references are quite complete, but I thought you might cite Rosenberg & Grafton, *Cartographies of Time* as an authoritative compendium of the many ways that time-based information has been displayed over history.