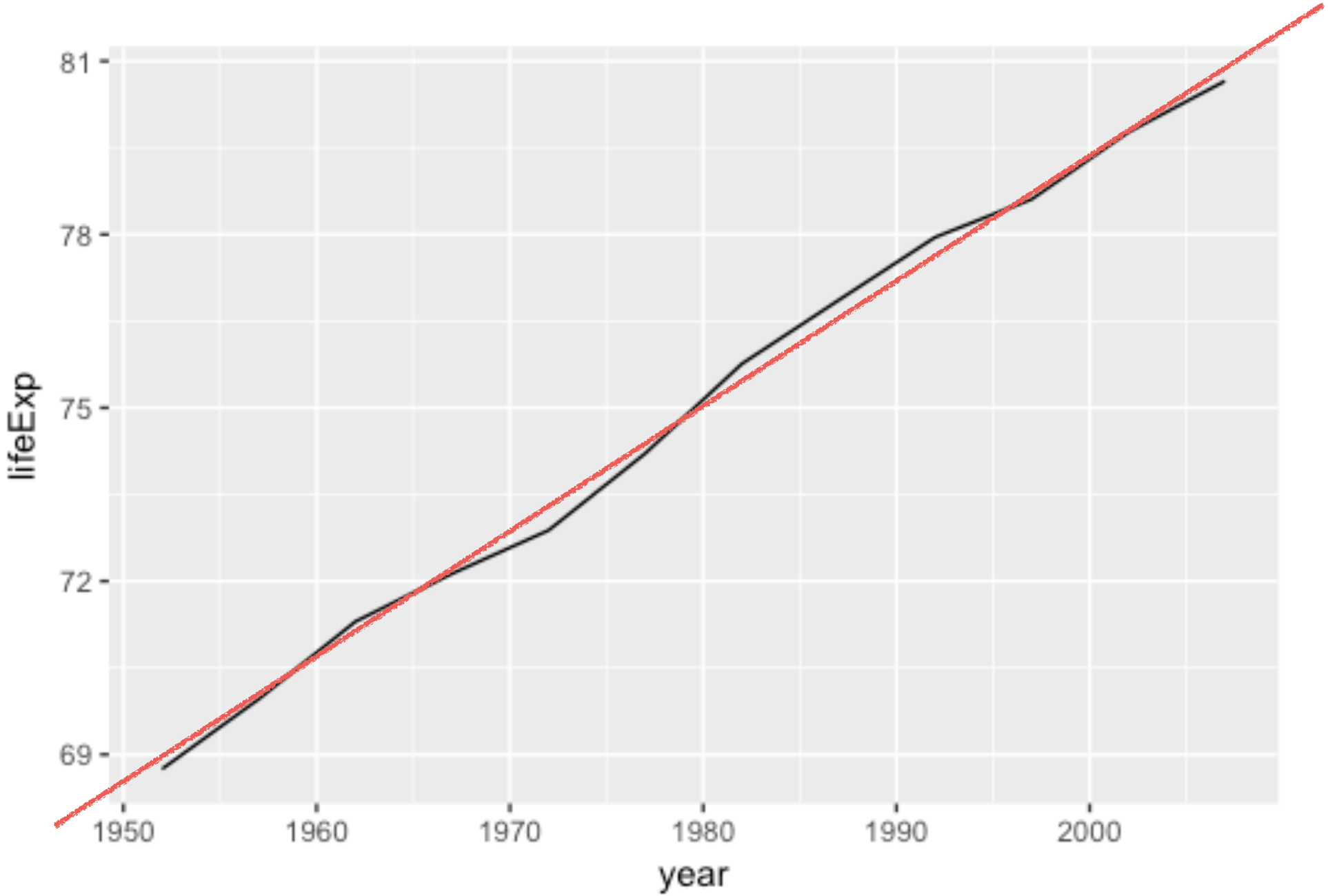
Modelling: the basics

Your Turn 1

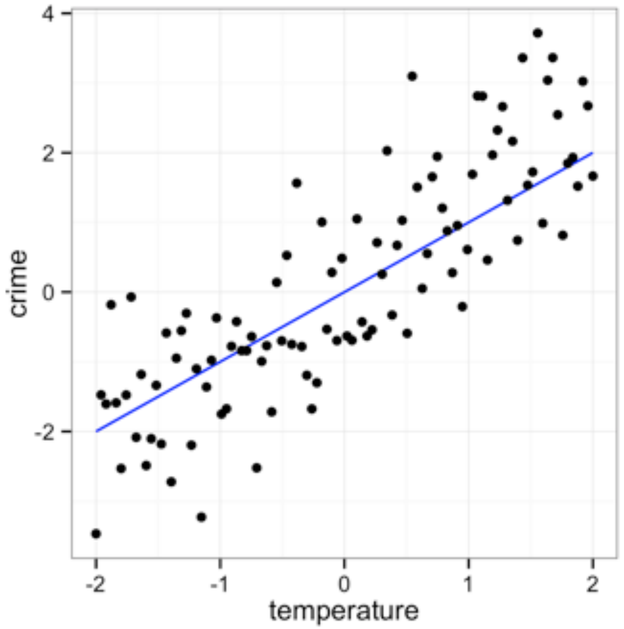
Take another look at life expectancy over time for Canada.

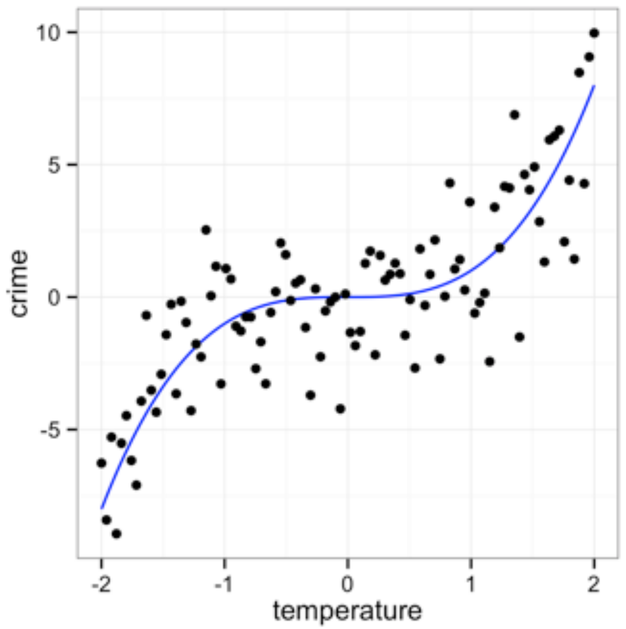
What do you notice?

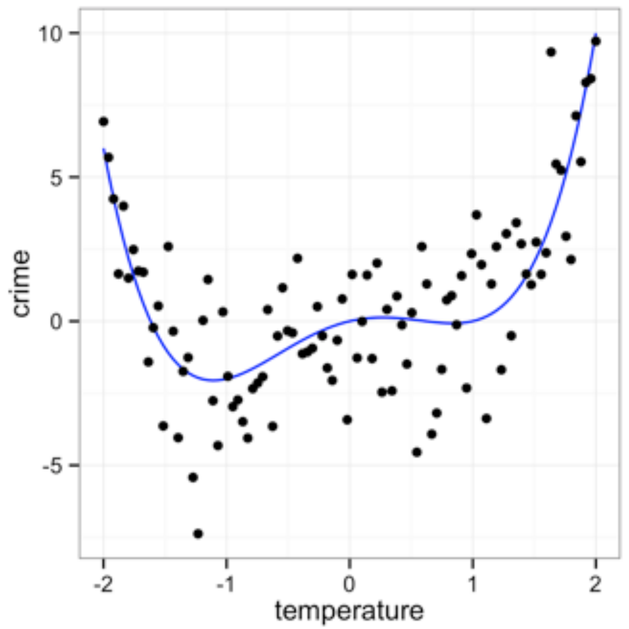


Models

A low dimensional description of a higher dimensional data set.







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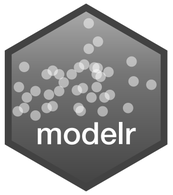

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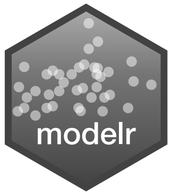

lm()

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Fit a linear model to data

```
lm(lifeExp ~ year, data = canada)
```

A formula that describes the model equation

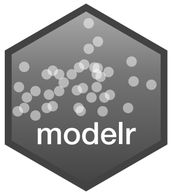
The data set

formulas

Formula only needs to include the response and predictors

$$y = \alpha + \beta x + \epsilon$$

y ~ x



Your Turn 2

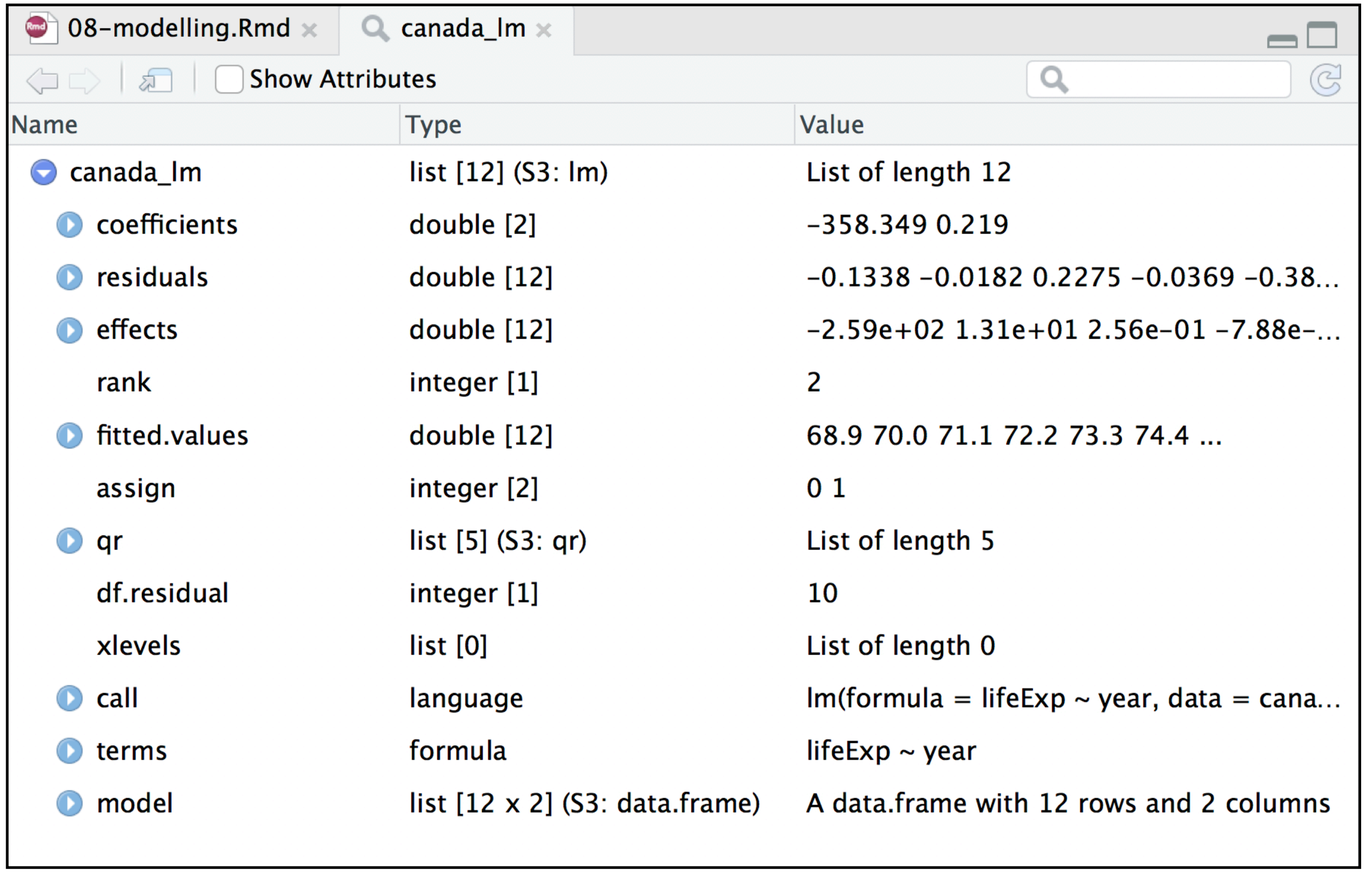
Run the chunk to fit the model.

What kind of output do you get?

Explore `canada_lm` by clicking on it in the environment, what's inside the object?

```
Call:
lm(formula = lifeExp ~ year, data = canada)

Coefficients:
(Intercept)         year
  -358.3489       0.2189
```



Asking for the object prints a minimal summary

But the object has everything inside you might need to calculate useful summaries

```
summary(canada_lm)
```

```
Call:
lm(formula = lifeExp ~ year, data = canada)

Residuals:
    Min      1Q  Median      3Q     Max
-0.3812 -0.1368 -0.0471  0.2481  0.3157

Coefficients:
              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept) -3.583e+02  8.252e+00  -43.42 1.01e-12 ***
year         2.189e-01  4.169e-03   52.50 1.52e-13 ***
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Signif. codes:  0 ‘***’ 0.001 ‘**’ 0.01 ‘*’ 0.05 ‘.’ 0.1 ‘ ’ 1

Residual standard error: 0.2492 on 10 degrees of freedom
Multiple R-squared:  0.9964,    Adjusted R-squared:  0.996
F-statistic:  2757 on 1 and 10 DF,  p-value: 1.521e-13
```

A more comprehensive summary,

but not easy to work with.

broom

broom

Turns model output into data frames

```
# install.packages("tidyverse")
library(broom)
```


broom

Broom includes three functions which work for most types of models (and can be extended to more):

1. tidy() - returns model coefficients, stats
2. glance() - returns model diagnostics
3. augment() - returns predictions, residuals, and other raw values

tidy()

Returns useful model output as a data frame

```
canada_lm %>% tidy()
```

term <chr>	estimate <dbl>	std.error <dbl>	statistic <dbl>	p.value <dbl>
(Intercept)	-358.3488923	8.252132349	-43.42501	1.007334e-12
year	0.2188692	0.004168638	52.50378	1.520503e-13

2 rows

Easy to work with

Since output of tidy is a data frame we can use dplyr functions to manipulate it:

```
canada_lm %>% tidy() %>%
  filter(term == "year") %>%
  pull(estimate)
```

```
[1] 0.2188692
```

On average, life expectancy is increasing by 0.22 years per y

glance()

Returns common model diagnostics as a data frame

```
canada_lm %>% glance()
```

r.squared <dbl>	adj.r.squared <dbl>	sigma <dbl>	statistic <dbl>	p.value <dbl>	df <int>
0.9963855	0.9960241	0.2492483	2756.647	1.520503e-13	2

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Your Turn 3

Look at the output of `canada_lm %>% glance()`

Use dplyr tools to extract the R-squared for the model.

```
canada_lm %>% glance() %>% pull(r.squared)
```

```
[1] 0.9963855
```

augment()

Returns data frame of model output related to original data points

```
canada_lm %>% augment()
```

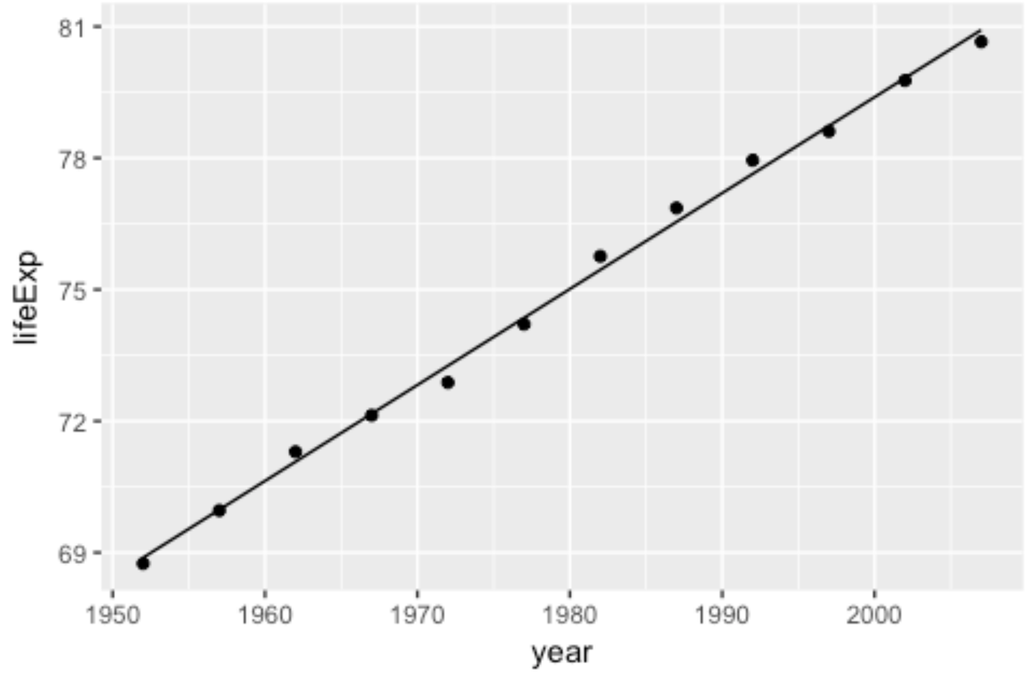
lifeExp <dbl>	year <int>	.fitted <dbl>	.se.fit <dbl>	.resid <dbl>	.hat <dbl>
68.750	1952	68.88385	0.13534705	-0.13384615	0.29487179
69.960	1957	69.97819	0.11821353	-0.01819231	0.22494172
71.			64		0.16899767
72.			380		0.12703963
72.880	1972	73.26123	0.07845091	-0.38123077	0.09906760
74.210	1977	74.35558	0.07270261	-0.14557692	0.08508159
75.760	1982	75.44992	0.07270261	0.31007692	0.08508159
76.860	1987	76.54427	0.07845091	0.31573077	0.09906760

Fitted values

Residual

augment() useful for visualizing

```
canada_lm %>% augment() %>%
ggplot() +
  geom_point(aes(x = year, y = lifeExp)) +
  geom_line(aes(x = year, y = .fitted))
```



Recap

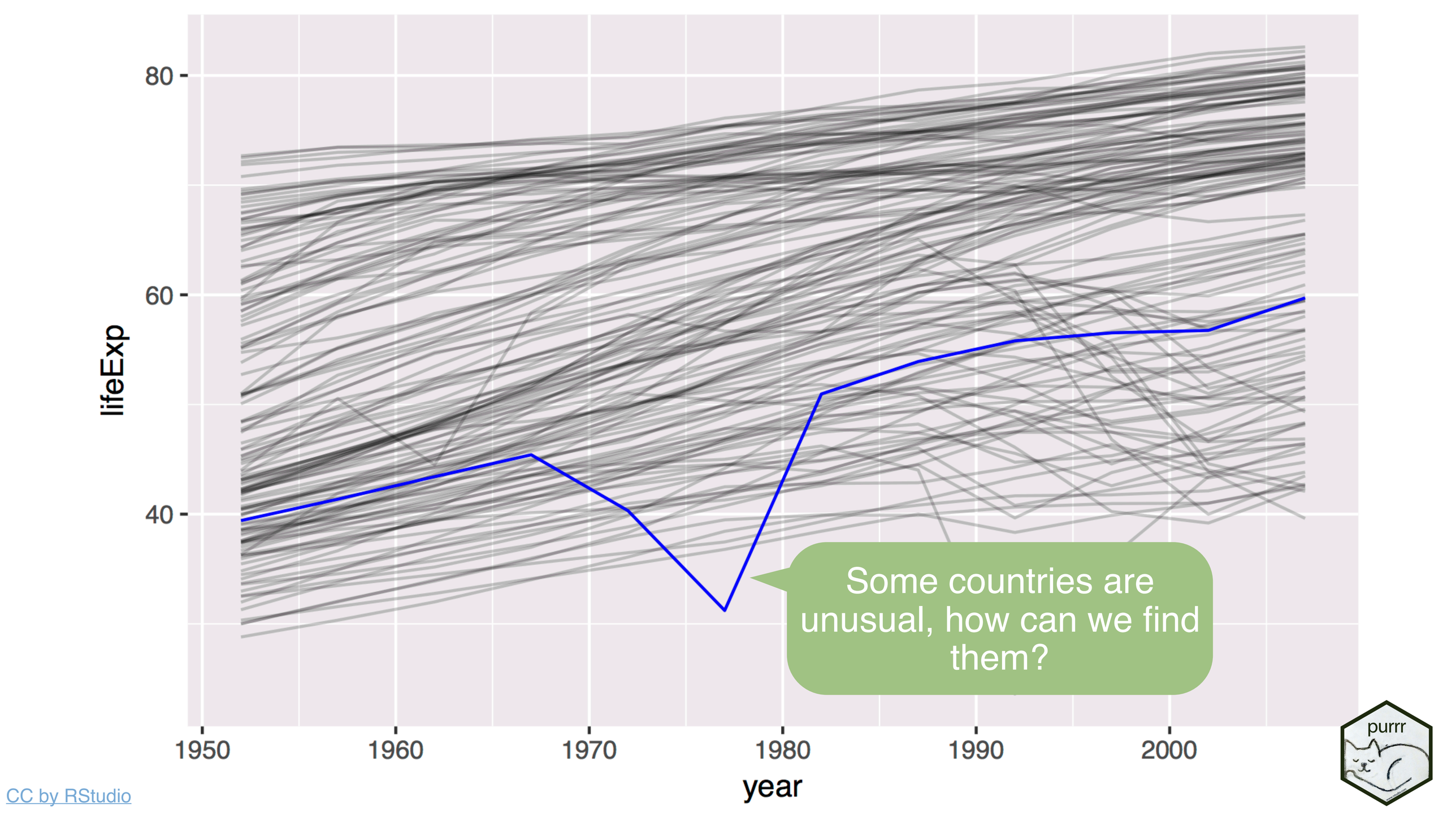
Use glance(), tidy(), and augment() to return model values in a data frame.

Your Turn 4

How has life expectancy changed in other countries?

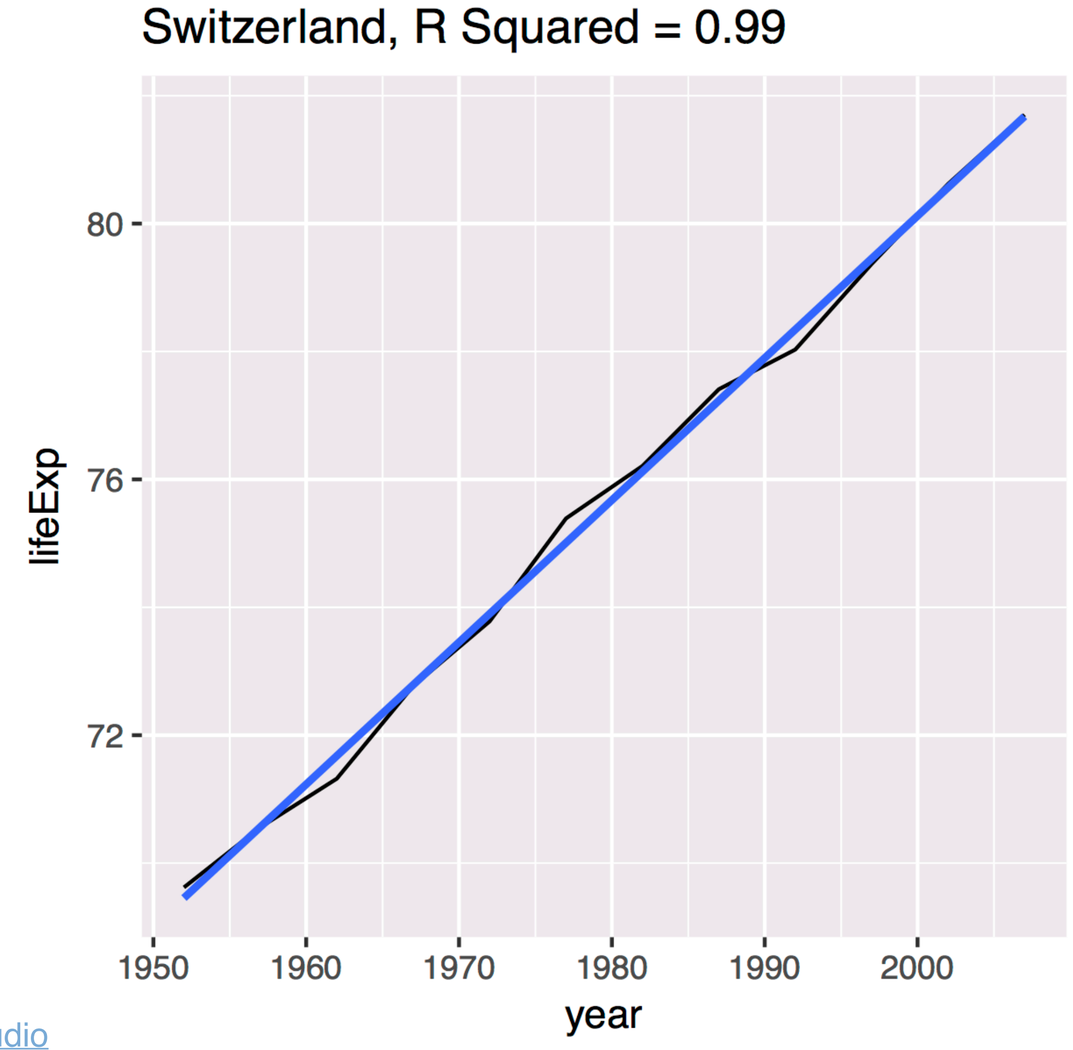
Make a line plot of lifeExp vs. year grouped by country. Set alpha to 0.2, to see the results better.

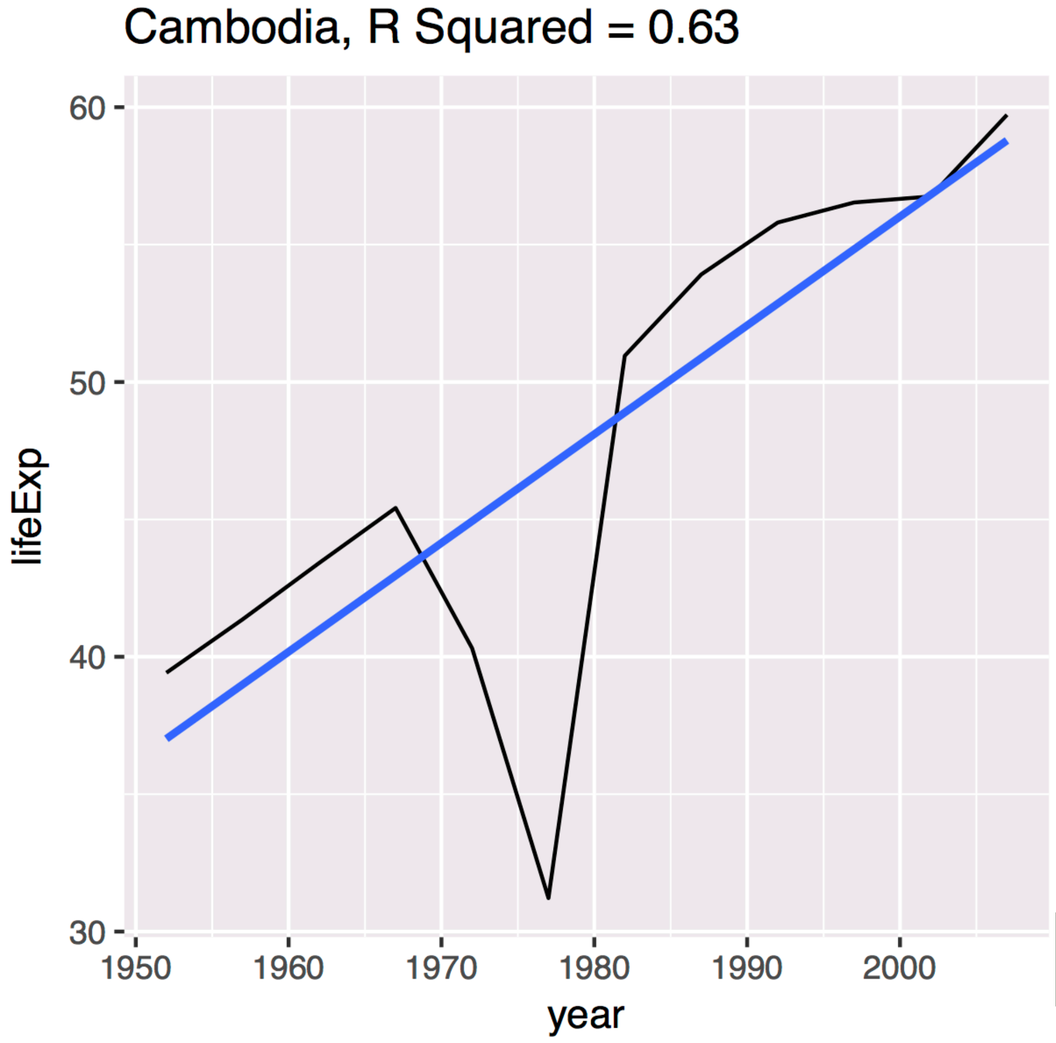
```
gapminder %>%
  ggplot(mapping = aes(x = year, y = lifeExp, group = country)) +
    geom_line(alpha = 0.2)
```



Idea 1

To quantify "linearity," fit a linear model, compare r-squared.

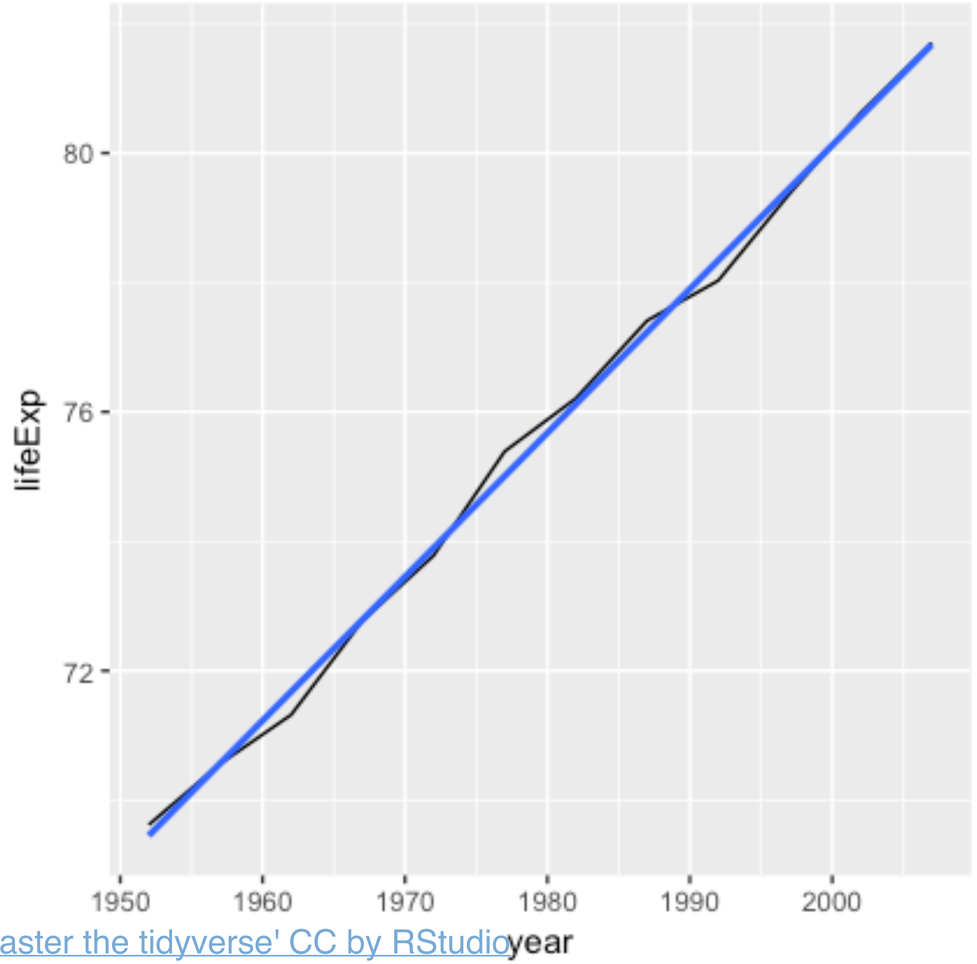




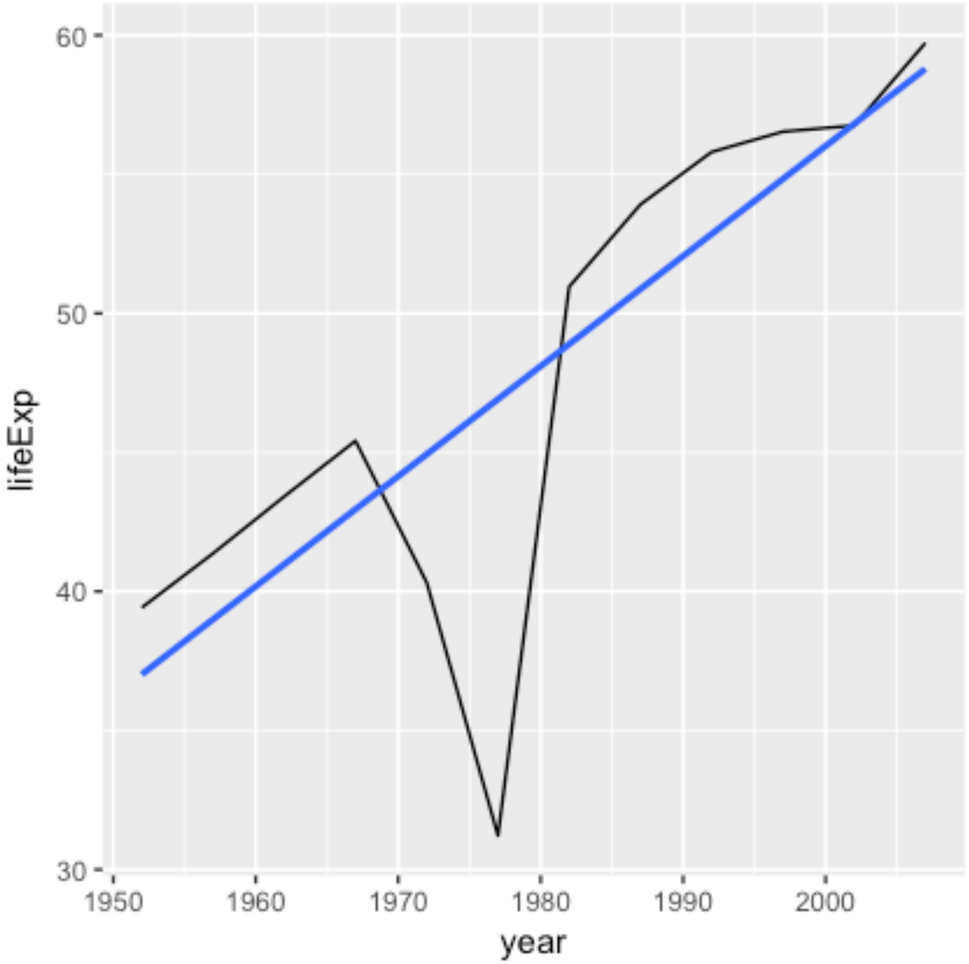
Idea 2

To quantify rate of change fit a linear model, extract coefficient on year.

Switzerland = 0.22 years/year



Cambodia = 0.40 years/year



Goal

Fit model, compute r.squared, collect coefficient for every country.

1. dplyr grouping toolkit
2. purrr toolkit and list columns