NY Data Analysis

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Analysis

```
library(tidyverse)
## -- Attaching core tidyverse packages ----- tidyverse 2.0.0 --
## v dplyr
          1.1.4
                       v readr
                                    2.1.5
## v forcats 1.0.0
                        v stringr
                                    1.5.1
## v ggplot2 3.5.2
                        v tibble
                                    3.3.0
## v lubridate 1.9.4
                        v tidyr
                                    1.3.1
## v purrr
              1.1.0
## -- Conflicts ----- tidyverse_conflicts() --
## x dplyr::filter() masks stats::filter()
## x dplyr::lag()
                  masks stats::lag()
## i Use the conflicted package (<a href="http://conflicted.r-lib.org/">http://conflicted.r-lib.org/</a>) to force all conflicts to become error
library(lubridate)
data <- read_csv('ny_pollution.csv.gz')</pre>
## Rows: 3287 Columns: 3
## -- Column specification -----
## Delimiter: ","
## dbl (2): death, pollution
## date (1): date
## i Use `spec()` to retrieve the full column specification for this data.
## i Specify the column types or set `show_col_types = FALSE` to quiet this message.
data$date <- ymd(data$date)</pre>
data$year <- year(data$date)</pre>
data = data |>
 filter(year %in% c(1997, 2004))
data |>
 group_by(year) |>
 summarise(mean_pollution = mean(pollution, na.rm = TRUE))
## # A tibble: 2 x 2
##
     year mean_pollution
##
    <dbl>
                 <dbl>
## 1 1997
                   26.9
## 2 2004
                   15.2
```

Statement

The mean pollution in New York in 2004 was lower than the mean pollution in New York in 1997.

Supporting Premise

The first 3 quartiles of 2004 data are below the second quartile of the 1997 data based on the histograms below. Additionally, the right tail of the 2004 distribution is within the range of the 1997 data. This evidence supports our statement that the mean pollution in New York in 2004 was lower than the mean pollution in New York in 1997.

```
data$year_fact <- as.factor(data$year)

ggplot(data, aes(x = pollution)) +
   geom_boxplot() +
   facet_wrap(~ year_fact, ncol = 1)</pre>
```

Warning: Removed 609 rows containing non-finite outside the scale range
(`stat_boxplot()`).

