

Assignment 2 - Carrier Delay Visualization

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workspace set-up

import relevant data

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```
carrier.df <- fread("On_Time_Marketing_Carrier_On_Time_Performance_(Beginning_January_2018)_2018_1.csv")
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examine data

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```
skim_without_charts(carrier.df)
```

-- Data Summary -----

| | Values |
|-------------------|------------|
| Name | carrier.df |
| Number of rows | 621461 |
| Number of columns | 120 |

Column type frequency:

| | |
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| character | 25 |
| logical | 25 |
| numeric | 70 |

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| Group variables | None |
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-- Variable type: character -----

A tibble: 25 x 8

| skim_variable | n_unique | whitespace | * <chr> | <int> | <int> | n_missing | complete_rate | min | max | empt |
|-------------------------------------------------------|----------|------------|---------|-------|-------|-----------|---------------|-------|-----|------|
| 1 "FlightDate" | 31 | 0 | | 0 | 1 | 10 | 10 | | | |
| 2 "Marketing_Airline_Network" | 11 | 0 | | 0 | 1 | 2 | 2 | | | |
| 3 "Operated_or_Branded_Code_Share_Partners" | 16 | 0 | | 0 | 1 | 2 | 12 | | | |
| 4 "IATA_Code_Marketing_Airline" | 11 | 0 | | 0 | 1 | 2 | 2 | | | |
| 5 "Originally_Scheduled_Code_Share_Airline" | 9 | 0 | | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 62130 | | |
| 6 "IATA_Code_Originally_Scheduled_Code_Share_Airline" | 9 | 0 | | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 62130 | | |
| 7 "Operating_Airline " | 28 | 0 | | 0 | 1 | 2 | 2 | | | |
| 8 "IATA_Code_Operating_Airline" | 28 | 0 | | 0 | 1 | 2 | 2 | | | |
| 9 "Tail_Number" | 5637 | 0 | | 0 | 1 | 0 | 6 | 275 | | |
| 10 "Origin" | 351 | 0 | | 0 | 1 | 3 | 3 | | | |
| 11 "OriginCityName" | 345 | 0 | | 0 | 1 | 8 | 34 | | | |
| 12 "OriginState" | 52 | 0 | | 0 | 1 | 2 | 2 | | | |
| 13 "OriginStateName" | 52 | 0 | | 0 | 1 | 4 | 46 | | | |
| 14 "Dest" | 351 | 0 | | 0 | 1 | 3 | 3 | | | |
| 15 "DestCityName" | 345 | 0 | | 0 | 1 | 8 | 34 | | | |
| 16 "DestState" | 52 | 0 | | 0 | 1 | 2 | 2 | | | |
| 17 "DestStateName" | | | | 0 | 1 | 4 | 46 | | | |

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|----|--------------------|---|---|---|---|---------|
| 0 | 52 | 0 | | | | |
| 18 | "DepTimeBlk" | | 0 | 1 | 9 | 9 |
| 0 | 19 | 0 | | | | |
| 19 | "ArrTimeBlk" | | 0 | 1 | 9 | 9 |
| 0 | 19 | 0 | | | | |
| 20 | "CancellationCode" | | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 60248 |
| 5 | 5 | 0 | | | | |
| 21 | "Div1Airport" | | 0 | 1 | 0 | 3 61991 |
| 0 | 205 | 0 | | | | |
| 22 | "Div1TailNum" | | 0 | 1 | 0 | 6 62042 |
| 3 | 926 | 0 | | | | |
| 23 | "Div2Airport" | | 0 | 1 | 0 | 3 62142 |
| 8 | 28 | 0 | | | | |
| 24 | "Div2TailNum" | | 0 | 1 | 0 | 6 62145 |
| 1 | 11 | 0 | | | | |
| 25 | "Duplicate" | | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| 0 | 1 | 0 | | | | |

-- Variable type: logical -----

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# A tibble: 25 x 5
  skim_variable  n_missing complete_rate mean count
* <chr>          <int>          <dbl> <dbl> <chr>
1 Div3Airport    621461          0  NaN ": "
2 Div3AirportID  621461          0  NaN ": "
3 Div3AirportSeqID 621461          0  NaN ": "
4 Div3WheelsOn    621461          0  NaN ": "
5 Div3TotalGTime  621461          0  NaN ": "
6 Div3LongestGTime 621461          0  NaN ": "
7 Div3WheelsOff   621461          0  NaN ": "
8 Div3TailNum     621461          0  NaN ": "
9 Div4Airport     621461          0  NaN ": "
10 Div4AirportID  621461          0  NaN ": "
11 Div4AirportSeqID 621461          0  NaN ": "
12 Div4WheelsOn   621461          0  NaN ": "
13 Div4TotalGTime 621461          0  NaN ": "
14 Div4LongestGTime 621461          0  NaN ": "
15 Div4WheelsOff  621461          0  NaN ": "
16 Div4TailNum    621461          0  NaN ": "
17 Div5Airport    621461          0  NaN ": "
18 Div5AirportID  621461          0  NaN ": "
19 Div5AirportSeqID 621461          0  NaN ": "
20 Div5WheelsOn   621461          0  NaN ": "
21 Div5TotalGTime 621461          0  NaN ": "
22 Div5LongestGTime 621461          0  NaN ": "
23 Div5WheelsOff  621461          0  NaN ": "
24 Div5TailNum    621461          0  NaN ": "
25 V120          621461          0  NaN ": "
```

-- Variable type: numeric -----

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# A tibble: 70 x 10
  skim_variable  n_missing complete_rate mean
sd      p0      p25
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| * <chr> | <int> | <dbl> | <dbl> |
|------------------------------------------------------|--------|----------|---------------|
| <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> | | | |
| 1 Year | 0 | 1 | 2018 |
| 0 2018 2018 | | | |
| 2 Quarter | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| 0 1 1 | | | |
| 3 Month | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| 0 1 1 | | | |
| 4 DayofMonth | 0 | 1 | 15.9 |
| 8.98 1 8 | | | |
| 5 DayOfWeek | 0 | 1 | 3.74 |
| 1.99 1 2 | | | |
| 6 DOT_ID_Marketing_Airline | 0 | 1 | 19833. 2 |
| 93. 19393 19790 | | | |
| 7 Flight_Number_Marketing_Airline | 0 | 1 | 2725. 19 |
| 13. 1 1044 | | | |
| 8 DOT_ID_Originally_Scheduled_Code_Share_Airline | 621301 | 0.000257 | 20373. |
| 99.6 20046 20366 | | | |
| 9 Flight_Num_Originally_Scheduled_Code_Share_Airline | 621301 | 0.000257 | 5628. 9 |
| 65. 2836 5558. | | | |
| 10 DOT_ID_Operating_Airline | 0 | 1 | 20024. 4 |
| 11. 19393 19790 | | | |
| 11 Flight_Number_Operating_Airline | 0 | 1 | 2725. 19 |
| 13. 1 1044 | | | |
| 12 OriginAirportID | 0 | 1 | 12683. 15 |
| 17. 10135 11292 | | | |
| 13 OriginAirportSeqID | 0 | 1 | 1268323. 1517 |
| 07. 1013505 1129202 | | | |
| 14 OriginCityMarketID | 0 | 1 | 31769. 13 |
| 07. 30070 30721 | | | |
| 15 OriginStateFips | 0 | 1 | 27.1 |
| 16.5 1 12 | | | |
| 16 OriginWac | 0 | 1 | 54.2 |
| 26.4 1 34 | | | |
| 17 DestAirportID | 0 | 1 | 12683. 15 |
| 17. 10135 11292 | | | |
| 18 DestAirportSeqID | 0 | 1 | 1268301. 1517 |
| 00. 1013505 1129202 | | | |
| 19 DestCityMarketID | 0 | 1 | 31769. 13 |
| 07. 30070 30721 | | | |
| 20 DestStateFips | 0 | 1 | 27.1 |
| 16.5 1 12 | | | |
| 21 DestWac | 0 | 1 | 54.2 |
| 26.4 1 34 | | | |
| 22 CRSDepTime | 0 | 1 | 1327. 4 |
| 84. 1 916 | | | |
| 23 DepTime | 18571 | 0.970 | 1333. 4 |
| 93. 1 924 | | | |
| 24 DepDelay | 19062 | 0.969 | 9.70 |
| 47.5 -1280 -6 | | | |
| 25 DepDelayMinutes | 19062 | 0.969 | 13.3 |
| 46.2 0 0 | | | |
| 26 DepDel15 | 19062 | 0.969 | 0.180 |
| 0.384 0 0 | | | |

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|--------|----------------------|--------|---------|---------|---|
| 27 | DepartureDelayGroups | 19062 | 0.969 | 0.0141 | |
| 2.21 | -2 -1 | | | | |
| 28 | TaxiOut | 19708 | 0.968 | 17.9 | |
| 10.7 | 1 11 | | | | |
| 29 | WheelsOff | 19699 | 0.968 | 1360. | 4 |
| 93. | 1 941 | | | | |
| 30 | WheelsOn | 20233 | 0.967 | 1477. | 5 |
| 15. | 1 1059 | | | | |
| 31 | TaxiIn | 20242 | 0.967 | 7.49 | |
| 5.91 | 0 4 | | | | |
| 32 | CRSArrTime | 0 | 1 | 1493. | 5 |
| 07. | 1 1109 | | | | |
| 33 | ArrTime | 19381 | 0.969 | 1482. | 5 |
| 19. | 1 1103 | | | | |
| 34 | ArrDelay | 20604 | 0.967 | 3.17 | |
| 49.6 | -1290 -17 | | | | |
| 35 | ArrDelayMinutes | 20604 | 0.967 | 13.1 | |
| 45.7 | 0 0 | | | | |
| 36 | ArrDel15 | 20604 | 0.967 | 0.179 | |
| 0.384 | 0 0 | | | | |
| 37 | ArrivalDelayGroups | 20604 | 0.967 | -0.302 | |
| 2.35 | -2 -2 | | | | |
| 38 | Cancelled | 0 | 1 | 0.0305 | |
| 0.172 | 0 0 | | | | |
| 39 | Diverted | 0 | 1 | 0.00226 | |
| 0.0475 | 0 0 | | | | |
| 40 | CRSElapsedTime | 0 | 1 | 139. | |
| 73.9 | -90 87 | | | | |
| 41 | ActualElapsedTime | 20402 | 0.967 | 133. | |
| 71.6 | -1228 82 | | | | |
| 42 | AirTime | 21263 | 0.966 | 108. | |
| 69.9 | -1244 57 | | | | |
| 43 | Flights | 0 | 1 | 1 | |
| 0 | 1 1 | | | | |
| 44 | Distance | 0 | 1 | 761. | 5 |
| 83. | 16 337 | | | | |
| 45 | DistanceGroup | 0 | 1 | 3.52 | |
| 2.30 | 1 2 | | | | |
| 46 | CarrierDelay | 513669 | 0.173 | 21.8 | |
| 66.7 | 0 0 | | | | |
| 47 | WeatherDelay | 513669 | 0.173 | 4.70 | |
| 36.1 | 0 0 | | | | |
| 48 | NASDelay | 513669 | 0.173 | 14.0 | |
| 31.8 | 0 0 | | | | |
| 49 | SecurityDelay | 513669 | 0.173 | 0.0955 | |
| 3.27 | 0 0 | | | | |
| 50 | LateAircraftDelay | 513669 | 0.173 | 26.9 | |
| 53.2 | 0 0 | | | | |
| 51 | FirstDepTime | 617762 | 0.00595 | 1256. | 5 |
| 00. | 1 818. | | | | |
| 52 | TotalAddGTime | 617762 | 0.00595 | 35.3 | |
| 29.7 | 1 17 | | | | |
| 53 | LongestAddGTime | 617762 | 0.00595 | 34.6 | |
| 28.1 | 1 16 | | | | |

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|----------------------------|--------|-----------|----------|------|
| 54 DivAirportLandings | 0 | 1 | 0.00439 | |
| 0.145 0 0 | | | | |
| 55 DivReachedDest | 620054 | 0.00226 | 0.719 | |
| 0.450 0 0 | | | | |
| 56 DivActualElapsedTime | 620449 | 0.00163 | 393. | 2 |
| 37. 90 251. | | | | |
| 57 DivArrDelay | 620449 | 0.00163 | 259. | 2 |
| 47. 0 128 | | | | |
| 58 DivDistance | 620054 | 0.00226 | 70.0 | 2 |
| 00. 0 0 | | | | |
| 59 Div1AirportID | 619910 | 0.00250 | 12777. | 15 |
| 48. 10135 11298 | | | | |
| 60 Div1AirportSeqID | 619910 | 0.00250 | 1277727. | 1548 |
| 08. 1013505 1129806 | | | | |
| 61 Div1WheelsOn | 619914 | 0.00249 | 1397. | 5 |
| 45. 1 1000 | | | | |
| 62 Div1TotalGTime | 619914 | 0.00249 | 29.4 | |
| 30.7 2 9 | | | | |
| 63 Div1LongestGTime | 619914 | 0.00249 | 23.8 | |
| 26.1 2 8 | | | | |
| 64 Div1WheelsOff | 620426 | 0.00167 | 1400. | 5 |
| 27. 1 1056 | | | | |
| 65 Div2AirportID | 621428 | 0.0000531 | 12174. | 14 |
| 99. 10397 10990 | | | | |
| 66 Div2AirportSeqID | 621428 | 0.0000531 | 1217380. | 1499 |
| 48. 1039707 1099005 | | | | |
| 67 Div2WheelsOn | 621428 | 0.0000531 | 1241. | 6 |
| 78. 34 954 | | | | |
| 68 Div2TotalGTime | 621428 | 0.0000531 | 20.1 | |
| 20.8 4 7 | | | | |
| 69 Div2LongestGTime | 621428 | 0.0000531 | 17.2 | |
| 16.6 4 6 | | | | |
| 70 Div2WheelsOff | 621451 | 0.0000161 | 1252. | 3 |
| 66. 803 975. | | | | |
| p50 p75 p100 | | | | |
| * <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> | | | | |
| 1 2018 2018 2018 | | | | |
| 2 1 1 1 | | | | |
| 3 1 1 1 | | | | |
| 4 16 24 31 | | | | |
| 5 4 5 7 | | | | |
| 6 19805 19977 21171 | | | | |
| 7 2237 4444 9366 | | | | |
| 8 20378 20378 21167 | | | | |
| 9 6068 6209 6344 | | | | |
| 10 19977 20378 21171 | | | | |
| 11 2237 4443 9375 | | | | |
| 12 12889 14057 16218 | | | | |
| 13 1288903 1405702 1621801 | | | | |
| 14 31453 32575 36133 | | | | |
| 15 26 42 78 | | | | |
| 16 44 81 93 | | | | |
| 17 12889 14057 16218 | | | | |
| 18 1288903 1405702 1621801 | | | | |

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|----|---------|---------|---------|
| 19 | 31453 | 32575 | 36133 |
| 20 | 26 | 42 | 78 |
| 21 | 44 | 81 | 93 |
| 22 | 1320 | 1730 | 2359 |
| 23 | 1329 | 1737 | 2400 |
| 24 | -3 | 6 | 2007 |
| 25 | 0 | 6 | 2007 |
| 26 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| 27 | -1 | 0 | 12 |
| 28 | 15 | 21 | 1394 |
| 29 | 1343 | 1753 | 2400 |
| 30 | 1511 | 1909 | 2400 |
| 31 | 6 | 9 | 258 |
| 32 | 1520 | 1915 | 2359 |
| 33 | 1515 | 1914 | 2400 |
| 34 | -8 | 6 | 2023 |
| 35 | 0 | 6 | 2023 |
| 36 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| 37 | -1 | 0 | 12 |
| 38 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| 39 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| 40 | 120 | 170 | 1645 |
| 41 | 115 | 164 | 728 |
| 42 | 89 | 138 | 683 |
| 43 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| 44 | 599 | 1005 | 4983 |
| 45 | 3 | 5 | 11 |
| 46 | 0 | 19 | 2007 |
| 47 | 0 | 0 | 1682 |
| 48 | 2 | 19 | 1346 |
| 49 | 0 | 0 | 593 |
| 50 | 2 | 32 | 1648 |
| 51 | 1211 | 1652 | 2400 |
| 52 | 28 | 44 | 353 |
| 53 | 27 | 43 | 232 |
| 54 | 0 | 0 | 9 |
| 55 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| 56 | 319 | 423 | 1514 |
| 57 | 176. | 268. | 2524 |
| 58 | 0 | 55 | 2556 |
| 59 | 12891 | 14107 | 15919 |
| 60 | 1289102 | 1410702 | 1591904 |
| 61 | 1350 | 1808. | 2400 |
| 62 | 20 | 37 | 308 |
| 63 | 14 | 28 | 194 |
| 64 | 1345 | 1818. | 2358 |
| 65 | 11577 | 13930 | 14869 |
| 66 | 1157706 | 1393006 | 1486903 |
| 67 | 1429 | 1704 | 2243 |
| 68 | 10 | 27 | 96 |
| 69 | 10 | 20 | 75 |
| 70 | 1225 | 1442. | 1950 |

A lot of columns have nearly all entries missing

these columns provide nothing for analysis and can be removed

I will filter for variables that have a complete_rate of less than 1% and create a column names index from this which I will then use to remove them from the data frame

separate drop-worthy columns

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```
drops <- carrier.df %>% skim() %>% dplyr::filter(complete_rate < 0.01)

drop.index <- drops[, "skim_variable"]

t <- as.vector(drop.index$skim_variable)
```

drop by drop.index

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```
carrier.clean <- select(carrier.df, -t)
```

the dataframe is much cleaner now, free of noisy variables
for further example, things like year and quarter can be dropped for this analysis since every observation is from january, 2018 (1st quarter) and all entries will be the same in these columns
other variables will be dropped with this same logic

separate drop-worthy columns (second time thru)

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### dropping columns with more than 600,000 empty data entries

drops2 <- carrier.clean %>% skim() %>% dplyr::filter(character.empty > 600000)

drop.index2 <- drops2[, "skim_variable"]

q <- as.vector(drop.index2$skim_variable)
```

drop by second drop.index

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```
carrier.clean <- select(carrier.clean, -q)
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```
### dropping year, month, quarter, day of month columns

carrier.clean <- carrier.clean[,-c("Year", "Quarter", "Month", "DayofMonth")]
```

there are variables described in the readme.html
file stating that some columns have codes which could've
been used for multiple different carriers
these destroy the integrity of unique IDs and will be dropped now

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```
### dropping columns that start with IATA
### the non-unique ones

carrier.clean <- carrier.clean %>% select(-starts_with("IATA"))
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### dropping other irrelevant/redundant columns

carrier.clean <- carrier.clean[,!c("OriginCityName", "OriginStateName")]

carrier.clean <- carrier.clean[,!c("Duplicate")]

carrier.clean <- carrier.clean[,!c("DestStateName", "DestCityName")]

carrier.clean <- carrier.clean[,!c("Marketing_Airline_Network", "Operated_or_Branded_Code_Share_Partners", "Tail_Number")]
```

convert to proper variable types

| | Diverted <dbl> |
|--------|-------------------|
| | 0 |
| | 1 |
| 2 rows | |

Final Check of Clean Dataset

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```
skim_without_charts(carrier.clean)
```

-- Data Summary -----

| | Values |
|-------------------|---------------|
| Name | carrier.clean |
| Number of rows | 621461 |
| Number of columns | 53 |

Column type frequency:

| | |
|---------|----|
| Date | 1 |
| factor | 11 |
| numeric | 41 |

Group variables None

-- Variable type: Date -----

A tibble: 1 x 7

| | skim_variable | n_missing | complete_rate | min | max | median | n_unique |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------------|------------|------------|------------|----------|
| * | <chr> | <int> | <dbl> | <date> | <date> | <date> | <int> |
| 1 | FlightDate | 0 | 1 | 2018-01-01 | 2018-01-31 | 2018-01-16 | 31 |

-- Variable type: factor -----

A tibble: 11 x 6

| | skim_variable | n_missing | complete_rate | ordered | n_unique | top_counts |
|----|-------------------|-----------|---------------|---------|----------|-------------------------------------------------|
| * | <chr> | <int> | <dbl> | <lgl> | <int> | <chr> |
| 1 | DayOfWeek | 0 | 1 | FALSE | 7 | 1: 103449, 3: 102953, 2: 101470, 5: 84898 |
| 2 | operating.airline | 0 | 1 | FALSE | 28 | WN: 109676, AA: 73598, DL: 71254, 00: 62181 |
| 3 | Origin | 0 | 1 | FALSE | 351 | ATL: 30729, ORD: 29921, DFW: 2243 4, DEN: 20485 |
| 4 | OriginState | 0 | 1 | FALSE | 52 | CA: 69059, TX: 61074, FL: 48715, IL: 38592 |
| 5 | Dest | 0 | 1 | FALSE | 351 | ATL: 30731, ORD: 29905, DFW: 2244 2, DEN: 20477 |
| 6 | DestState | 0 | 1 | FALSE | 52 | CA: 69082, TX: 61080, FL: 48659, IL: 38581 |
| 7 | DepTimeBlk | 0 | 1 | FALSE | 19 | 060: 44327, 170: 42357, 070: 4179 2, 080: 41608 |
| 8 | ArrTimeBlk | 0 | 1 | FALSE | 19 | 160: 41012, 140: 39644, 210: 3935 9, 180: 38767 |
| 9 | Cancelled | 0 | 1 | FALSE | 2 | 0: 602485, 1: 18976 |
| 10 | Diverted | 0 | 1 | FALSE | 2 | 0: 620054, 1: 1407 |
| 11 | DistanceGroup | 0 | 1 | FALSE | 11 | 2: 160553, 3: 120757, 1: 95568, 4: 88897 |

-- Variable type: numeric -----

A tibble: 41 x 10

| | skim_variable | | | n_missing | complete_rate | mean | sd | p0 | |
|-----|---------------|-------|-------|-----------|---------------|-------|-------|-------|----|
| p25 | p50 | p75 | p100 | | | | | | |
| * | <chr> | | | <int> | <dbl> | <dbl> | <dbl> | <dbl> | <d |
| bl> | <dbl> | <dbl> | <dbl> | | | | | | |

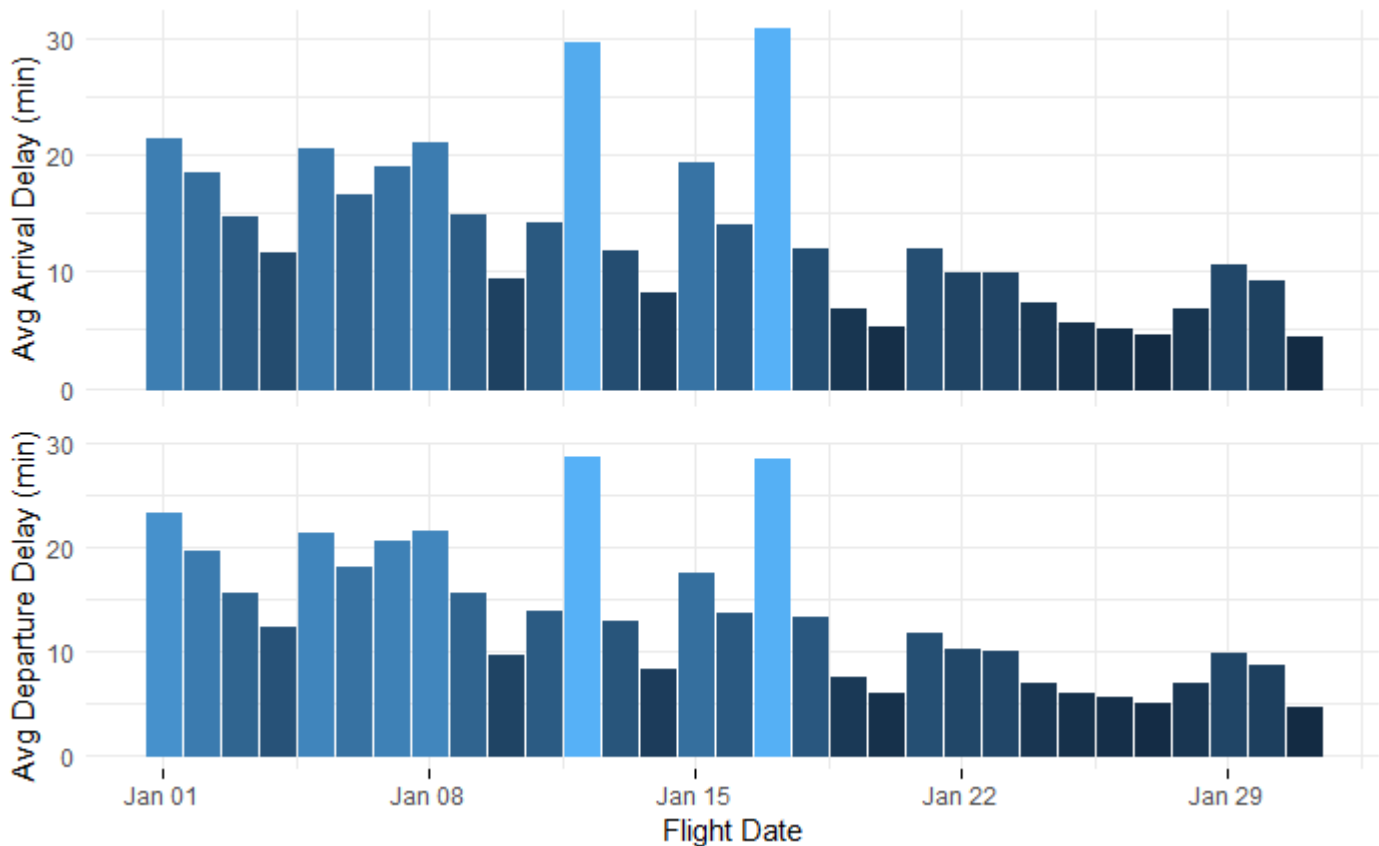
| | | | | | | | |
|-----|---------------------------------|-------|-------|----------|---------|---------|------|
| 1 | DOT_ID_Marketing_Airline | 0 | 1 | 19833. | 293. | 19393 | 19 |
| 790 | 19805 19977 21171 | | | | | | |
| 2 | Flight_Number_Marketing_Airline | 0 | 1 | 2725. | 1913. | 1 | 1 |
| 044 | 2237 4444 9366 | | | | | | |
| 3 | DOT_ID_Operating_Airline | 0 | 1 | 20024. | 411. | 19393 | 19 |
| 790 | 19977 20378 21171 | | | | | | |
| 4 | Flight_Number_Operating_Airline | 0 | 1 | 2725. | 1913. | 1 | 1 |
| 044 | 2237 4443 9375 | | | | | | |
| 5 | OriginAirportID | 0 | 1 | 12683. | 1517. | 10135 | 11 |
| 292 | 12889 14057 16218 | | | | | | |
| 6 | OriginAirportSeqID | 0 | 1 | 1268323. | 151707. | 1013505 | 1129 |
| 202 | 1288903 1405702 1621801 | | | | | | |
| 7 | OriginCityMarketID | 0 | 1 | 31769. | 1307. | 30070 | 30 |
| 721 | 31453 32575 36133 | | | | | | |
| 8 | OriginStateFips | 0 | 1 | 27.1 | 16.5 | 1 | |
| 12 | 26 42 78 | | | | | | |
| 9 | OriginWac | 0 | 1 | 54.2 | 26.4 | 1 | |
| 34 | 44 81 93 | | | | | | |
| 10 | DestAirportID | 0 | 1 | 12683. | 1517. | 10135 | 11 |
| 292 | 12889 14057 16218 | | | | | | |
| 11 | DestAirportSeqID | 0 | 1 | 1268301. | 151700. | 1013505 | 1129 |
| 202 | 1288903 1405702 1621801 | | | | | | |
| 12 | DestCityMarketID | 0 | 1 | 31769. | 1307. | 30070 | 30 |
| 721 | 31453 32575 36133 | | | | | | |
| 13 | DestStateFips | 0 | 1 | 27.1 | 16.5 | 1 | |
| 12 | 26 42 78 | | | | | | |
| 14 | DestWac | 0 | 1 | 54.2 | 26.4 | 1 | |
| 34 | 44 81 93 | | | | | | |
| 15 | CRSDepTime | 0 | 1 | 1327. | 484. | 1 | |
| 916 | 1320 1730 2359 | | | | | | |
| 16 | DepTime | 18571 | 0.970 | 1333. | 493. | 1 | |
| 924 | 1329 1737 2400 | | | | | | |
| 17 | DepDelay | 19062 | 0.969 | 9.70 | 47.5 | -1280 | |
| -6 | -3 6 2007 | | | | | | |
| 18 | DepDelayMinutes | 19062 | 0.969 | 13.3 | 46.2 | 0 | |
| 0 | 0 6 2007 | | | | | | |
| 19 | DepDel15 | 19062 | 0.969 | 0.180 | 0.384 | 0 | |
| 0 | 0 0 1 | | | | | | |
| 20 | DepartureDelayGroups | 19062 | 0.969 | 0.0141 | 2.21 | -2 | |
| -1 | -1 0 12 | | | | | | |
| 21 | TaxiOut | 19708 | 0.968 | 17.9 | 10.7 | 1 | |
| 11 | 15 21 1394 | | | | | | |
| 22 | WheelsOff | 19699 | 0.968 | 1360. | 493. | 1 | |
| 941 | 1343 1753 2400 | | | | | | |
| 23 | WheelsOn | 20233 | 0.967 | 1477. | 515. | 1 | 1 |
| 059 | 1511 1909 2400 | | | | | | |
| 24 | TaxiIn | 20242 | 0.967 | 7.49 | 5.91 | 0 | |
| 4 | 6 9 258 | | | | | | |
| 25 | CRSArrTime | 0 | 1 | 1493. | 507. | 1 | 1 |
| 109 | 1520 1915 2359 | | | | | | |
| 26 | ArrTime | 19381 | 0.969 | 1482. | 519. | 1 | 1 |
| 103 | 1515 1914 2400 | | | | | | |
| 27 | ArrDelay | 20604 | 0.967 | 3.17 | 49.6 | -1290 | |
| -17 | -8 6 2023 | | | | | | |

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|-----|--------------------|--------|-------|---------|-------|-------|
| 28 | ArrDelayMinutes | 20604 | 0.967 | 13.1 | 45.7 | 0 |
| 0 | 0 | 6 | 2023 | | | |
| 29 | ArrDel15 | 20604 | 0.967 | 0.179 | 0.384 | 0 |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | | | |
| 30 | ArrivalDelayGroups | 20604 | 0.967 | -0.302 | 2.35 | -2 |
| -2 | -1 | 0 | 12 | | | |
| 31 | CRSElapsedTime | 0 | 1 | 139. | 73.9 | -90 |
| 87 | 120 | 170 | 1645 | | | |
| 32 | ActualElapsedTime | 20402 | 0.967 | 133. | 71.6 | -1228 |
| 82 | 115 | 164 | 728 | | | |
| 33 | AirTime | 21263 | 0.966 | 108. | 69.9 | -1244 |
| 57 | 89 | 138 | 683 | | | |
| 34 | Flights | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | |
| 35 | Distance | 0 | 1 | 761. | 583. | 16 |
| 337 | 599 | 1005 | 4983 | | | |
| 36 | CarrierDelay | 513669 | 0.173 | 21.8 | 66.7 | 0 |
| 0 | 0 | 19 | 2007 | | | |
| 37 | WeatherDelay | 513669 | 0.173 | 4.70 | 36.1 | 0 |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 1682 | | | |
| 38 | NASDelay | 513669 | 0.173 | 14.0 | 31.8 | 0 |
| 0 | 2 | 19 | 1346 | | | |
| 39 | SecurityDelay | 513669 | 0.173 | 0.0955 | 3.27 | 0 |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 593 | | | |
| 40 | LateAircraftDelay | 513669 | 0.173 | 26.9 | 53.2 | 0 |
| 0 | 2 | 32 | 1648 | | | |
| 41 | DivAirportLandings | 0 | 1 | 0.00439 | 0.145 | 0 |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 9 | | | |

Data Visualization

Question 1 & 2

What is the pattern of arrival traffic and departure traffic delays with respect to days and weeks?



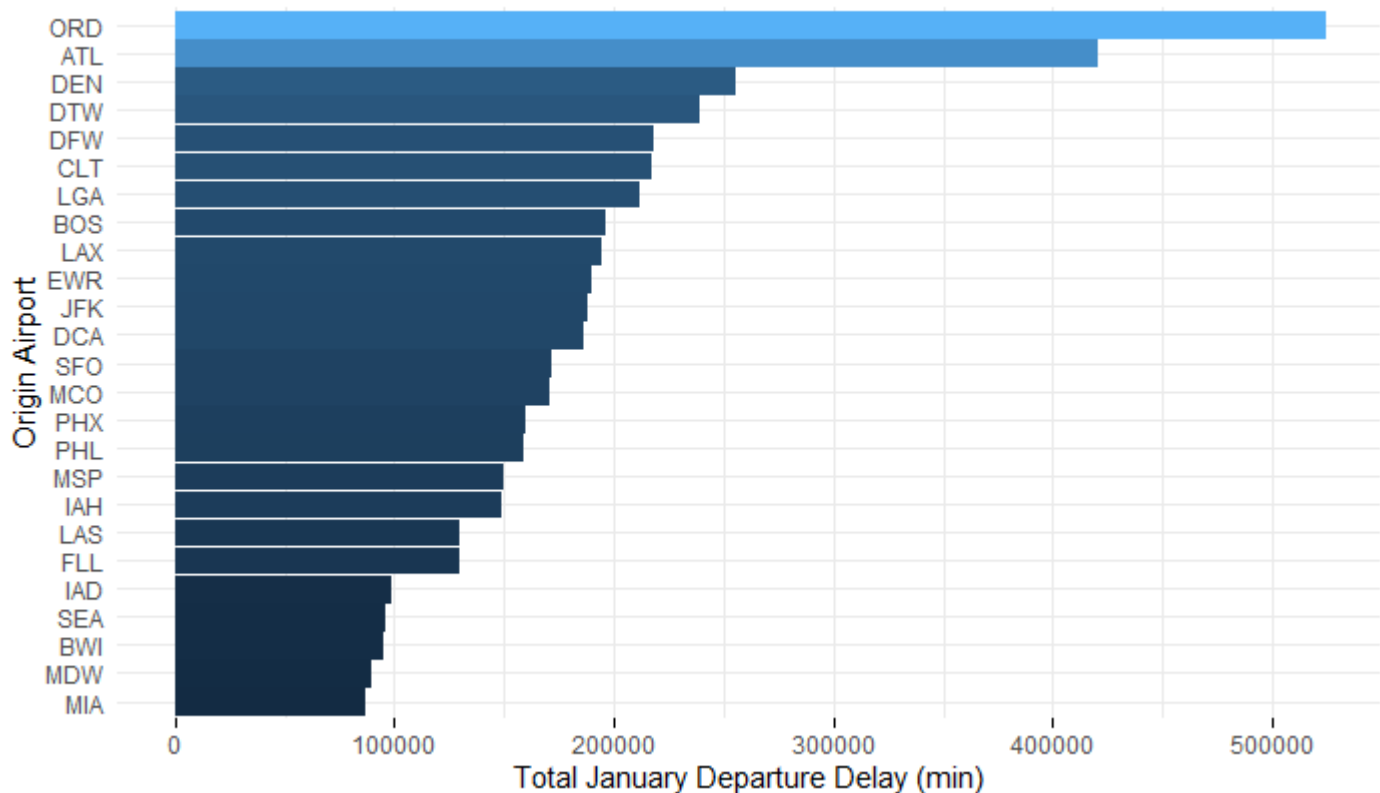
Can you interpret the traffic delays?

The graph is of Avg Arrival/Departure Delays across the date range of January 1st thru 31st. The bars outline the avg delay on each day and the x axis ticks section off every 7 days, with each tick being the start of a new seven-day cycle (week). Interpreting the traffic delays in this format reveal that the month of January, on average, decreases steadily in traffic over the duration of the month, with the middle of the month seeing a few peak high traffic delay spikes in the second and third weeks. Further interpretation could reveal that these spikes have something to do with winter storms in the heart of cold January...

Question 3

Which Airport ('Origin Airport') has highest departure delay?

Top 25 Most Delayed Airports on Departure



Chicago has the highest departure delay.

Question 4

Which Airport has highest arrival delay?

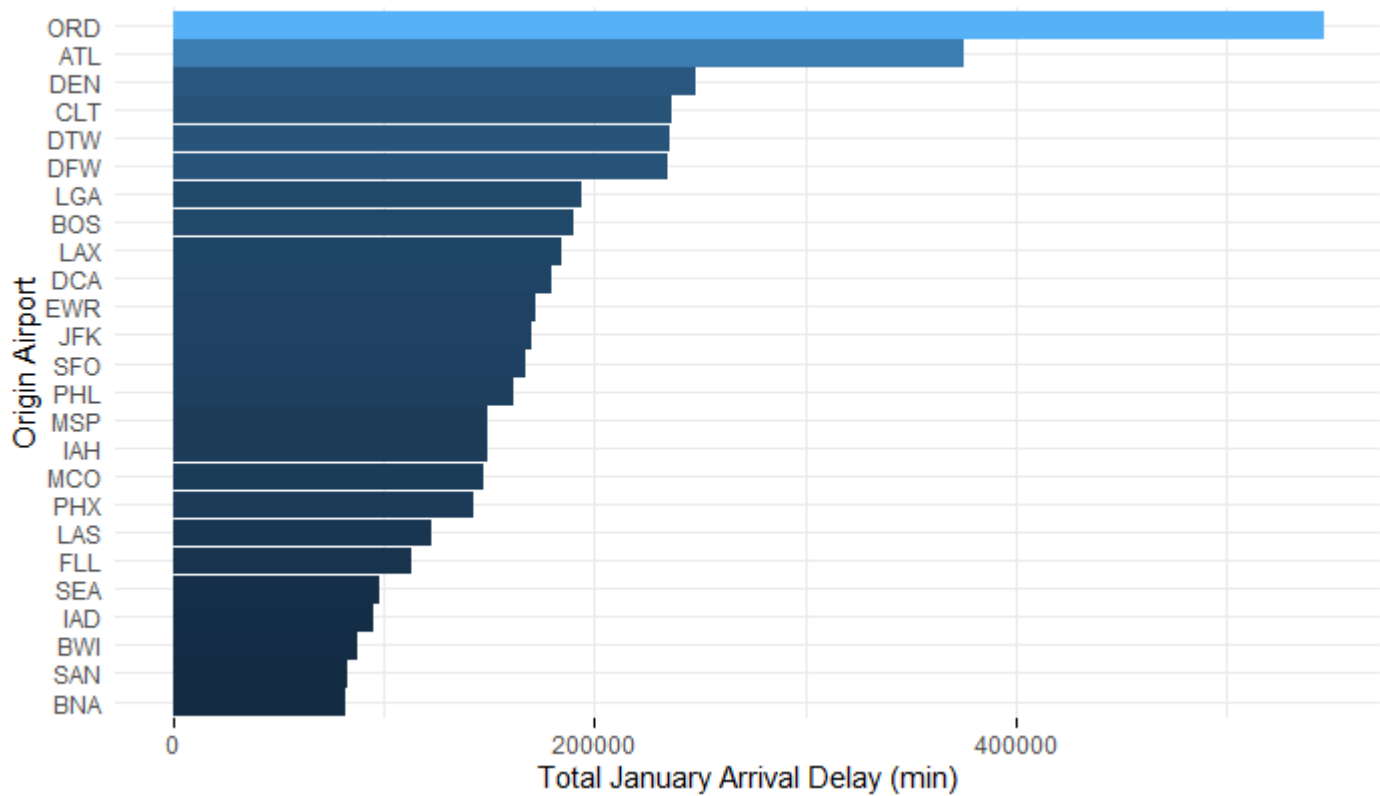
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```
subset4 <- carrier.clean %>%
  select(Origin, ArrDelayMinutes) %>%
  group_by(Origin) %>%
  summarise(sum.airportdelay = sum(ArrDelayMinutes, na.rm = TRUE)) %>%
  arrange(desc(sum.airportdelay)) %>%
  slice(1:25)

plot4 <- ggplot(subset4, aes(reorder(Origin, sum.airportdelay), sum.airportdelay)) +
  geom_bar(stat = "identity", aes(col = sum.airportdelay, fill = sum.airportdelay)) +
  coord_flip() +
  ylab("Total January Arrival Delay (min)") +
  xlab("Origin Airport") +
  ggtitle("Top 25 Most Delayed Airports on Arrival") +
  theme_minimal() +
  theme(axis.ticks.x = element_line(color = "black"), legend.position = "none")
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plot4

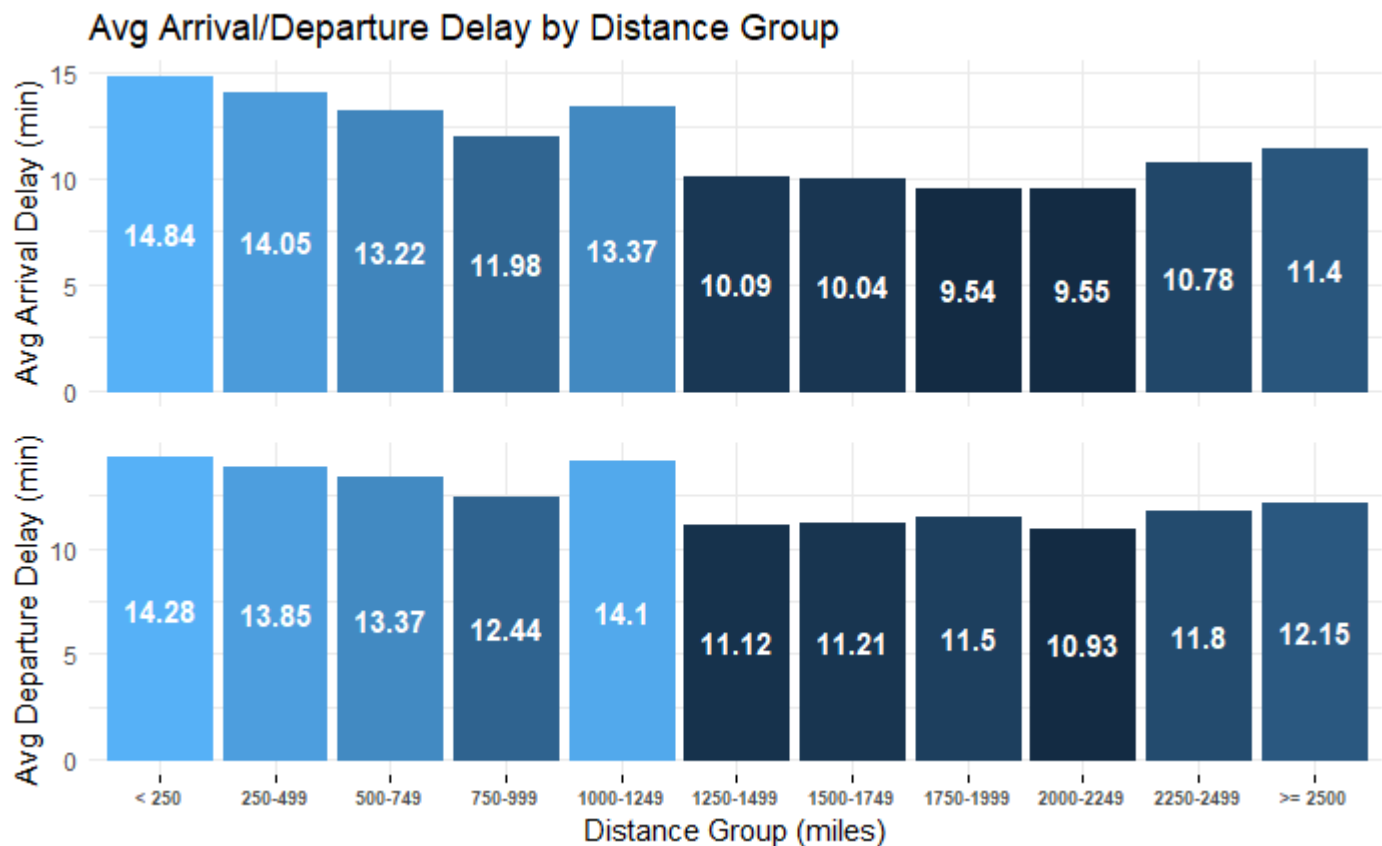
Top 25 Most Delayed Airports on Arrival



Chicago also has the highest arrival delay.

Question 5

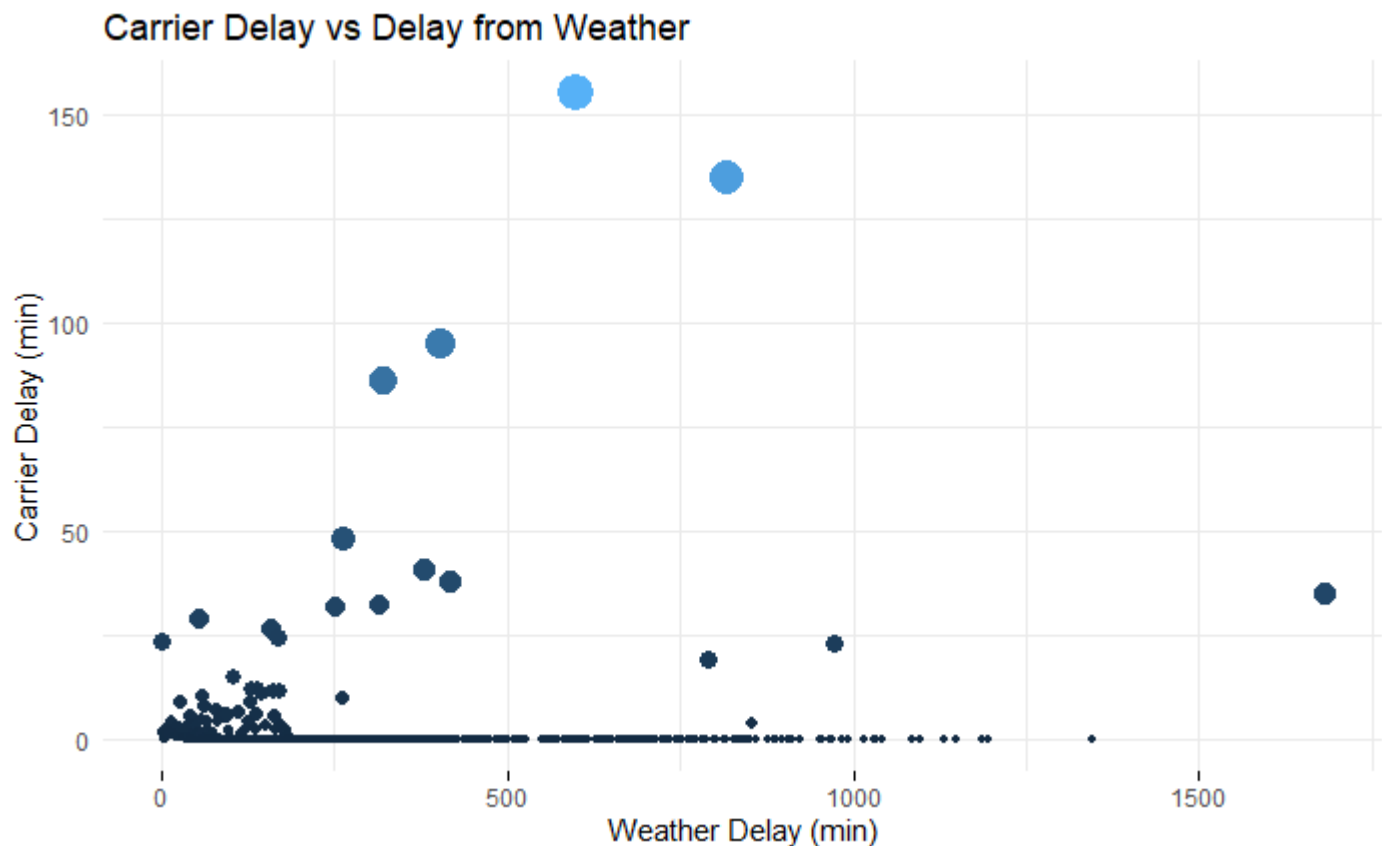
How do you relate the delay pattern to the distance travelled?



It appears that distance travelled has a relatively uncorrelated effect on delay, as shown above. I originally speculated that delay would increase with distance, but this was a naive assumption at best. Turns out the highest average delays come from the shortest three-five mileage categories. Maybe this has something to do with the fact that longer flights have the ability to make up for lost delay time by reaching and maintaining cruising altitude at a faster speed...

Question 6

Is there any correlation between weather delay and carrier delay?



From the above visual, it seems that although some weather delays have impacted carrier delay, the vast majority of data shows that carrier delay has been virtually zero even in the presence of increasing weather delay. You can observe some spikes in carrier delay, which seem random and uncorrelated with weather delay. This dataset would have to be cross-referenced with storm data in the same date-range to determine if recorded heavy storms correlated with the spikes in carrier delay...

Question 7

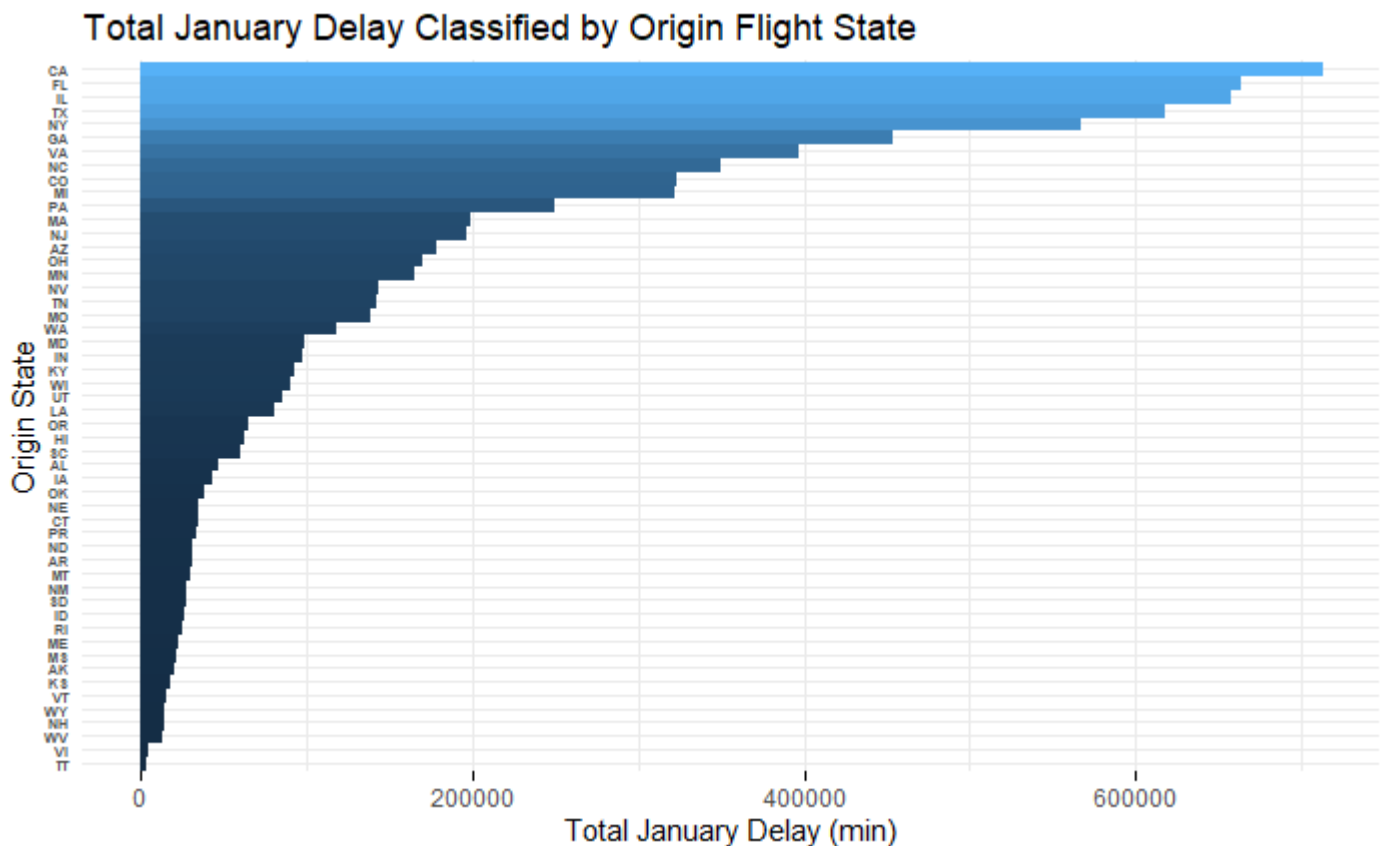
What is the delay pattern you can find in respective states?

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```
subset7 <- carrier.clean %>%
  select(OriginState, DepDelayMinutes) %>%
  group_by(OriginState) %>%
  summarise(sum.statedelay = sum(DepDelayMinutes, na.rm = TRUE)) %>%
  arrange(desc(sum.statedelay))

plot7 <- ggplot(subset7, aes(reorder(OriginState, sum.statedelay), sum.statedelay)) +
  geom_bar(stat = "identity", aes(col = sum.statedelay, fill = sum.statedelay)) +
  coord_flip() +
  ylab("Total January Delay (min)") +
  xlab("Origin State") +
  ggtitle("Total January Delay Classified by Origin Flight State") +
  theme_minimal() +
  theme(axis.ticks.x = element_line(color = "black"), legend.position = "none", axis.text.y = element_text(size = 5, face = "bold"))
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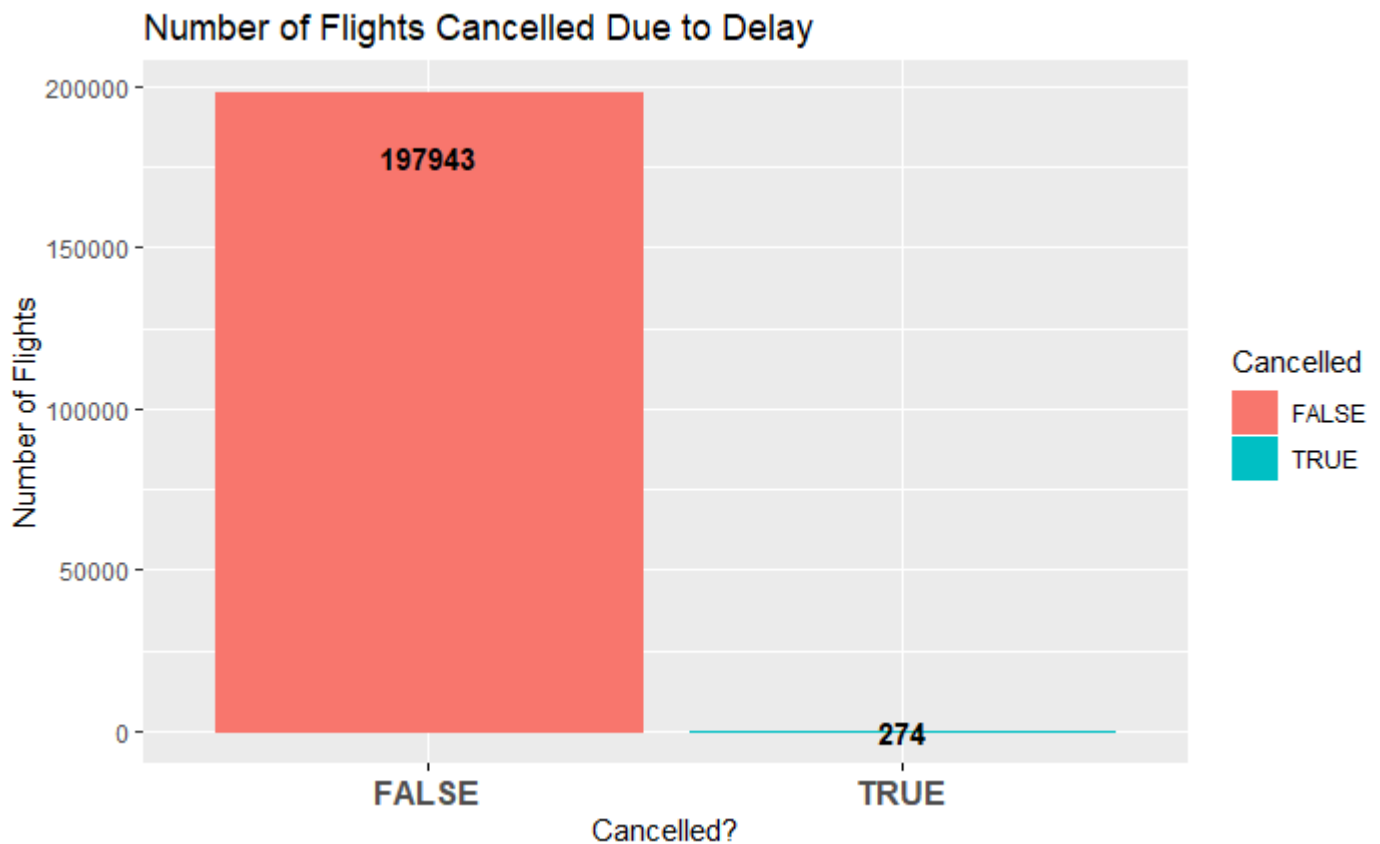
plot7



It seems from the chart above that delay is typically higher in more trafficked and popular transportation states. The largest delays come from states like California (highest), Illinois (third) and New York (fifth), whereas the lowest delays are sported by more remote states like Arkansas.

Question 8

How many delayed flights were cancelled? (approximation)



As shown by the chart above of all delayed flights, only 274 flights were actually cancelled because of the delay. Likely due to the fact that the economy of carrier shipping would rather take a small loss from delay than cancel all together. The people of the USA need their products after all!!

Question 9

How many delayed flights were diverted? (approximation)

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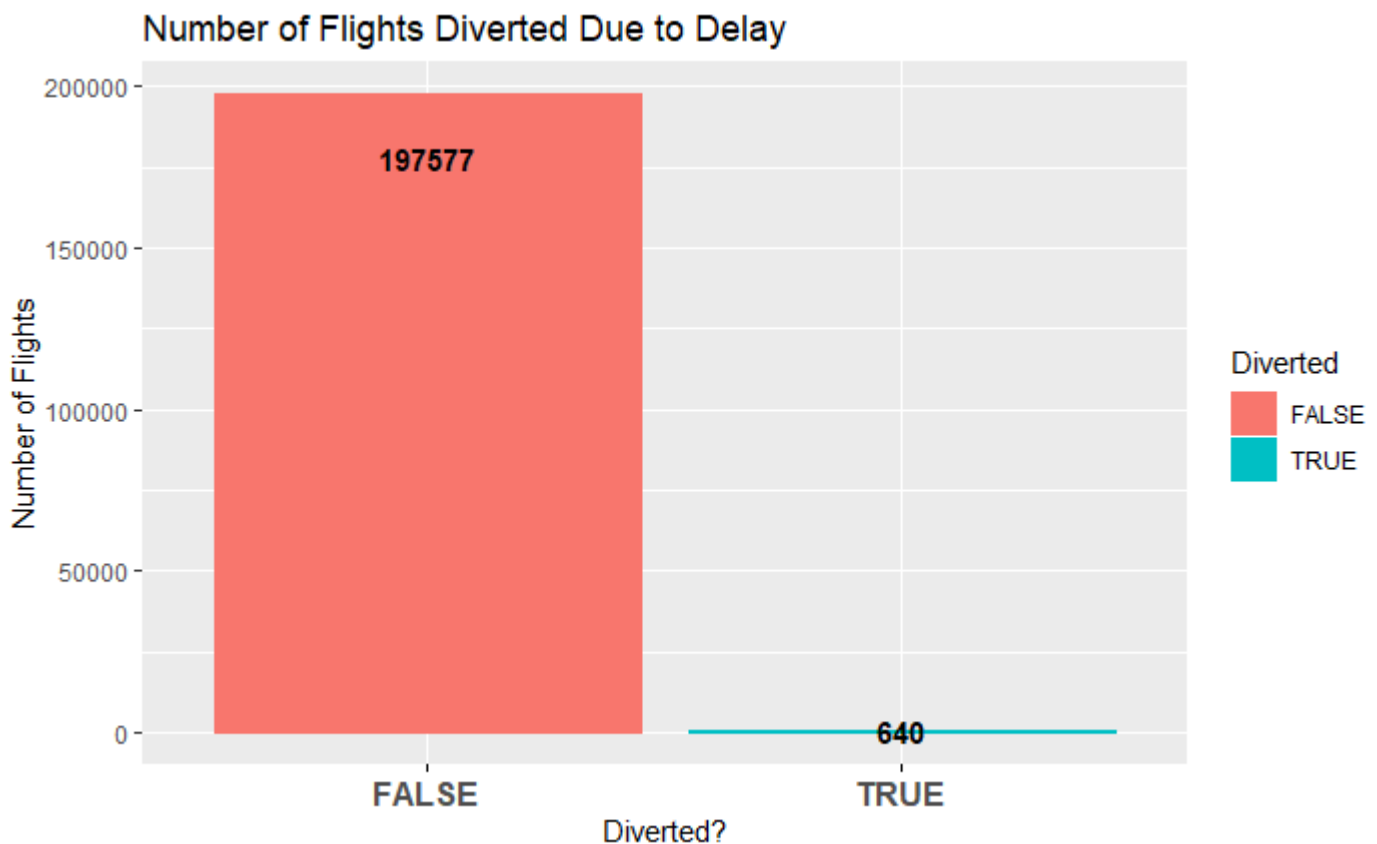
subset9 <- carrier.clean %>%
  mutate(Delayed = if_else(DepDelayMinutes>0, TRUE, FALSE), Diverted = if_else(Diverted == 1, TRUE, FALSE)) %>%
  select(Delayed, Diverted) %>%
  na.omit()

subset9 <- subset9 %>%
  group_by(Delayed, Diverted) %>%
  summarise(total = n()) %>%
  mutate(prop = total/sum(total)) %>%
  filter(Delayed == TRUE)

plot9 <- ggplot(subset9, aes(Diverted, total)) +
  geom_bar(stat = "identity", position = "dodge", aes(col = Diverted, fill = Diverted)) +
  geom_text(label = subset9$total, col = "black", fontface = "bold", position = position_stack(vjust = 0.9)) +
  ylab("Number of Flights") +
  xlab("Diverted?") +
  ggtitle("Number of Flights Diverted Due to Delay") +
  theme(axis.ticks.x = element_line(color = "black"), legend.position = "right", axis.text.x = element_text(size = 12, face = "bold"))

plot9

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Similar findings to question 8. Only 640 flights were diverted in the face of delay

Question 10

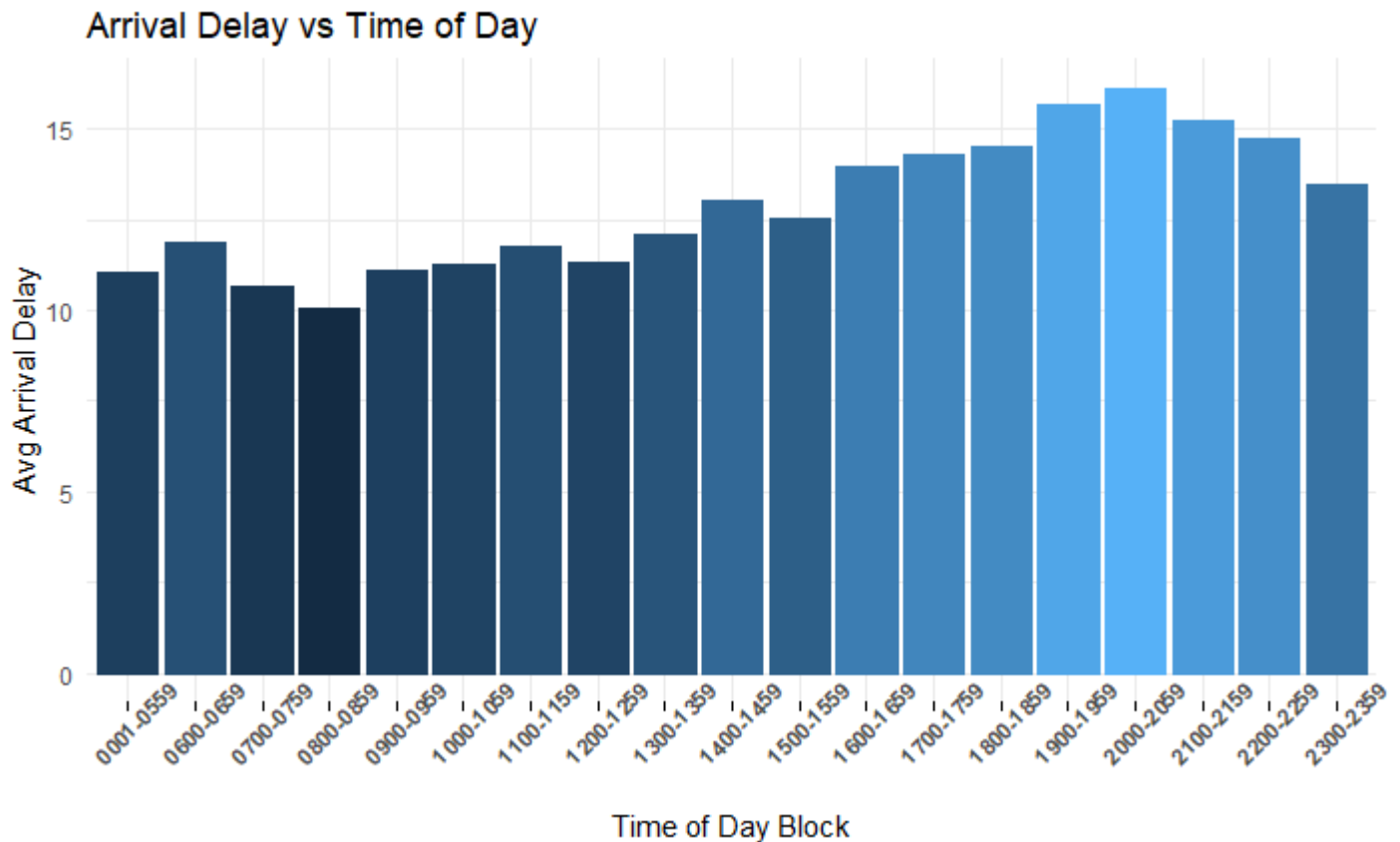
What time of the day do you find arrival delays?

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```
subset10 <- carrier.clean %>%
  select(ArrTimeBlk, ArrDelayMinutes) %>%
  group_by(ArrTimeBlk) %>%
  summarise(mean.arrdelay = round(mean(ArrDelayMinutes, na.rm = TRUE), 4)) %>%
  arrange(ArrTimeBlk)

plot10 <- ggplot(subset10, aes(ArrTimeBlk, mean.arrdelay)) +
  geom_bar(stat="identity", aes(col = mean.arrdelay, fill = mean.arrdelay)) +
  ylab("Avg Arrival Delay") +
  xlab("Time of Day Block") +
  ggtitle("Arrival Delay vs Time of Day") +
  theme_minimal() +
  theme(axis.ticks.x = element_line(color = "black"), legend.position = "none", axis.text.x = element_text(size = 8, face = "bold", angle = 45))

plot10
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It appears that arrival delay peaks around the end of the 24-hour cycle; within the 8-10 PM range

Question 11

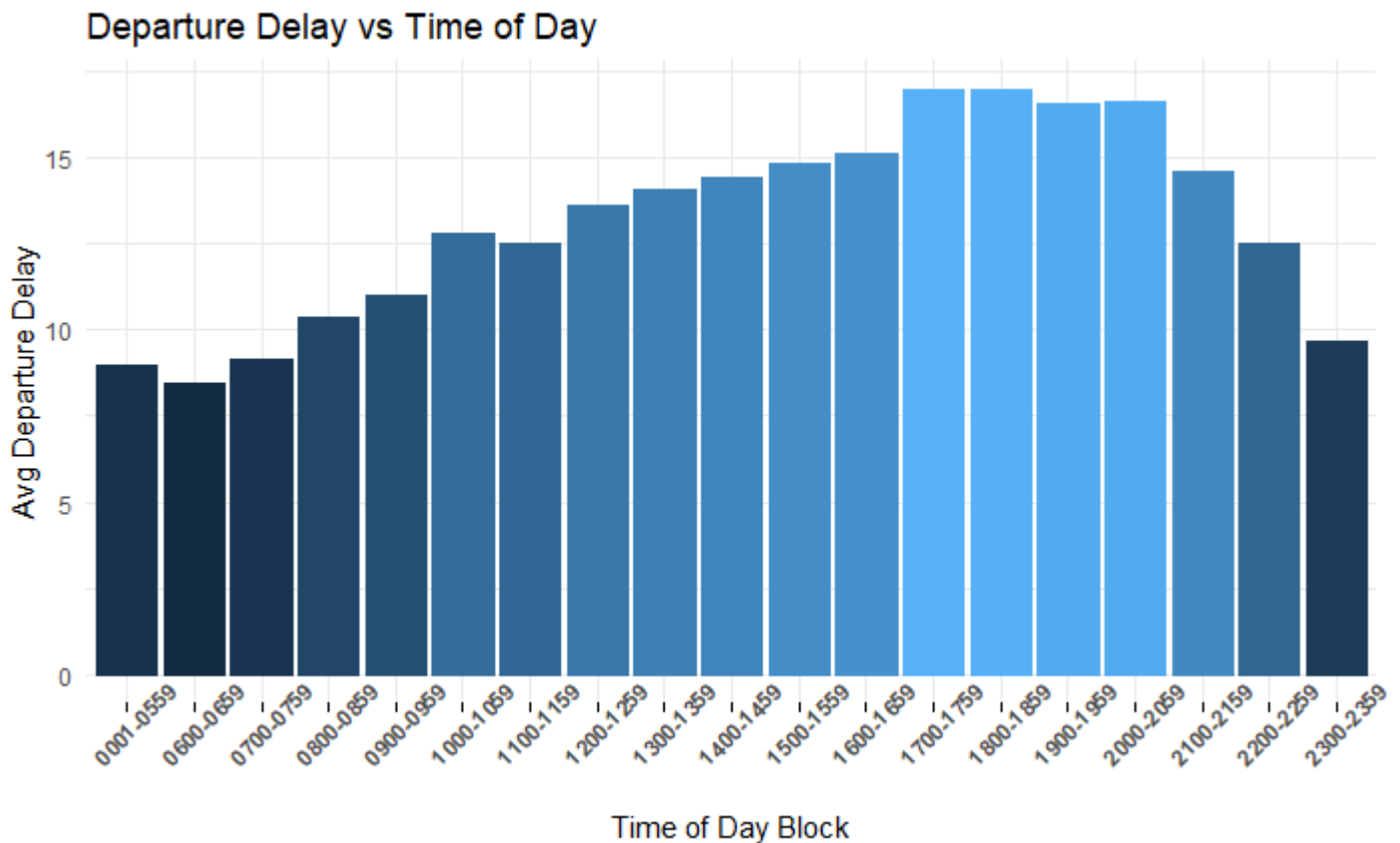
What time of the day do you find departure delays?

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```
subset11 <- carrier.clean %>%
  select(DepTimeBlk, DepDelayMinutes) %>%
  group_by(DepTimeBlk) %>%
  summarise(mean.depdelay = round(mean(DepDelayMinutes, na.rm = TRUE), 4)) %>%
  arrange(DepTimeBlk)

plot11 <- ggplot(subset11, aes(DepTimeBlk, mean.depdelay)) +
  geom_bar(stat="identity", aes(col = mean.depdelay, fill = mean.depdelay)) +
  ylab("Avg Departure Delay") +
  xlab("Time of Day Block") +
  ggtitle("Departure Delay vs Time of Day") +
  theme_minimal() +
  theme(axis.ticks.x = element_line(color = "black"), legend.position = "none", axis.text.x = element_text(size = 8, face = "bold", angle = 45))

plot11
```



Similar findings to question 10.

It appears that arrival delay peaks and flattens off within the 7-10 PM range.