Stawberries: exploratory data analysis

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Data research final Goal:

- 1. Use Frequency of Top 15 Chemicals in various State
- 2. Visualize all chemicals and differentiate them by color based on their safety and toxicity
- 3. Toxic & Safe Chemical Frequency by State
- 4. Toxic Chemical Use Frequency in Various States from 2016 to 2021
- 5. Safe Chemical Use Frequency in Various States from 2016 to 2021
- 6. Average Value of Strawberries using toxic chemicals & safe chemicals

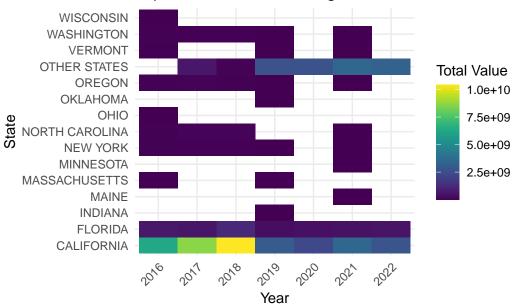
Data acquisition and assessment

```
Rows: 4,314
Columns: 21
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$ Program
                                                 <dbl> 2021, 2021, 2021, 2021, 2021, 2021, 2021, 2021, 202
$ Year
$ Period
                                                 <chr> "YEAR", 
                                                 $ `Week Ending`
$ `Geo Level`
                                                 <chr> "STATE", "STATE", "STATE", "STATE", "STATE", "STATE"
                                                 <chr> "ALASKA", "ALASKA", "ALASKA", "ALASKA", "ALASKA", "~
$ State
                                                 <chr> "02", "02", "02", "02", "02", "02", "02", "06", "06~
$ `State ANSI`
$ `Ag District`
                                                 $ County
                                                 $ `County ANSI`
                                                 $ `Zip Code`
                                                 $ Region
                                                 $ watershed_code
$ Watershed
```

We see that the top 10 states with the highest total value of strawberries each year.

```
# Convert the Value column from non-numeric format to numeric
  strawberry$Value <- as.numeric(gsub("[^0-9.]", "", strawberry$Value))
  # Group data by Year and State, then compute the total value for each state per year
  annual_state_value <- strawberry %>%
    group by (Year, State) %>%
    summarise(Total_Value = sum(Value, na.rm = TRUE), .groups = "drop") %>%
    ungroup()
  # Sort data by Year and total value, then retrieve and format the top 10 states
  # by value for each year
  top_states_each_year <- annual_state_value %>%
    group_by(Year) %>%
    arrange(desc(Total_Value)) %>%
    slice_head(n = 10) %>%
    summarise(Top_10_States = paste(State, collapse=", "), .groups = "drop") %>%
    ungroup()
  # Display the results
  print(top_states_each_year)
# A tibble: 7 x 2
   Year Top_10_States
  <dbl> <chr>
1 2016 CALIFORNIA, FLORIDA, NORTH CAROLINA, OREGON, WASHINGTON, NEW YORK, VERM~
2 2017 CALIFORNIA, OTHER STATES, FLORIDA, NORTH CAROLINA, OREGON, WASHINGTON, ~
3 2018 CALIFORNIA, FLORIDA, NORTH CAROLINA, OTHER STATES, OREGON, WASHINGTON, ~
4 2019 CALIFORNIA, OTHER STATES, FLORIDA, OREGON, VERMONT, WASHINGTON, NEW YOR-
5 2020 OTHER STATES, CALIFORNIA, FLORIDA
6 2021 OTHER STATES, CALIFORNIA, FLORIDA, OREGON, WASHINGTON, VERMONT, NEW YOR~
7 2022 OTHER STATES, CALIFORNIA, FLORIDA
```





Data cleaning and organization

Rows: 4,314 Columns: 10

```
<chr> "CENSUS", "CENSUS", "CENSUS", "CENSUS", "CENSUS", "C~
$ Program
$ Year
                   <dbl> 2021, 2021, 2021, 2021, 2021, 2021, 2021, 2021, 2021
                   <chr> "YEAR", "YEAR", "YEAR", "YEAR", "YEAR", "YEAR", "YEA"
$ Period
$ State
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                   <chr> "02", "02", "02", "02", "02", "02", "02", "06", "06"~
$ `State ANSI`
$ `Data Item`
                   <chr> "STRAWBERRIES, ORGANIC - OPERATIONS WITH SALES", "ST~
$ Domain
                   <chr> "ORGANIC STATUS", "ORGANIC STATUS", "ORGANIC STATUS"~
$ `Domain Category` <chr> "ORGANIC STATUS: (NOP USDA CERTIFIED)", "ORGANIC STA~
$ Value
                   <dbl> 2, NA, NA, NA, 2, NA, NA, 142, 1413251, 311784980, 1~
$ `CV (%)`
                    <chr> "(H)", "(D)", "(D)", "(H)", "(D)", "(D)", "19~
```

Warning in rm(calif_census, calif_survey, state_all): object 'state_all' not found

footnotes

```
## finds single uppor case Character in parens in s2
## e.q. "(D)"
## To fine the location and value of the footnotes
v <- strwb census$Value
## find the footnote locations
## fn_i: locations
fn_i <- v |> str_detect("^\\([:upper:]\\)$") ## returns
## dcomma returns numbers and NA's
v1 <- dcomma(v)
## locations of NA's
na_i <- is.na(v1)</pre>
dcomma <- function(c){</pre>
  suppressWarnings({
  xnew = as.numeric(gsub(",", "", c))
  fns = unique(c[is.na(xnew)])
  vtran = list("new_vec" = xnew, "footnotes" = fns)
  return(vtran)
  })
}
v_trns <- dcomma(v)</pre>
```

```
a <- v_trns$new_vec
# a[1:20]
# v_trns$footnotes</pre>
```

EDA

Chemicals: Firstly we divide the chemical composition into two columns and eliminating irrelevant variables.

```
stb_survey <- strwb_survey %>%
    filter(str_detect(`Data Item`, "MEASURED IN")) %>%
    mutate(`Data Item` = str extract(`Data Item`, "(?<=MEASURED IN ).*"))</pre>
  stb_survey <- stb_survey %>%
    mutate(
      Chemical = if_else(str_detect(`Domain Category`, "\\(.*=.*\\)"),
                           str_extract(`Domain Category`, "(?<=\\().*?(?=\\=)"),</pre>
                           NA character ),
      Chemical_Code = if_else(str_detect(`Domain Category`, "\\(.*=.*\\)"),
                                str_extract(`Domain Category`, "(?<=\\=).*?(?=\\))"),</pre>
                                NA_character_)
    )
  stb_survey <- subset(stb_survey, select = -Program)</pre>
  stb_survey <- subset(stb_survey, select = -`Domain Category`)</pre>
  stb_survey$Chemical_Code_num <- as.numeric(stb_survey$Chemical_Code)</pre>
  stb_survey$Chemical_Code_str <- ifelse(is.na(stb_survey$Chemical_Code_num), NA,
                                            sprintf("%06d",
                                                     stb survey$Chemical Code num))
Handing Missing Values, Outliers, and Duplicates
  stb_survey <- stb_survey[, !sapply(stb_survey, function(col) all(is.na(col)))]</pre>
  stb_survey <- stb_survey[!is.na(stb_survey$Value), ]</pre>
  stb_survey <- stb_survey[stb_survey$State != "OTHER STATES", ]</pre>
  strwb_census$`CV (%)`<- as.numeric(strwb_census$`CV (%)`)</pre>
```

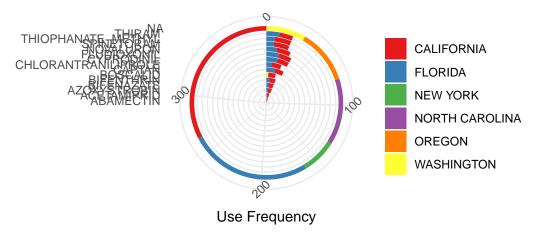
Warning: NAs introduced by coercion

```
strwb_census <- strwb_census %>%
select(-Program,-`Period`,-Fruit,-crop_type,-Domain,-`Domain Category`)
```

Create a detailed visualization that illustrates the varying frequencies at which each individual chemical substance is utilized across the various states.

```
stb survey$Domain <- gsub("CHEMICAL,", "", stb survey$Domain)</pre>
stb_survey$Domain <- trimws(stb_survey$Domain)</pre>
write.csv(stb_survey, file = "stb_survey.csv", row.names = FALSE)
top_chemicals_data <- stb_survey %>%
  count(Chemical) %>%
  arrange(-n) %>%
  head(15)
# Extract data for these top 15 chemicals from the original dataset.
subset_stb_survey <- stb_survey %>%
  filter(Chemical %in% top_chemicals_data$Chemical)
p <- ggplot(subset_stb_survey, aes(x = Chemical, fill = State)) +</pre>
  geom_bar(position = "stack", stat = "count") +
  scale fill brewer(palette = "Set1") +
  labs(title = "Use Frequency of Top 15 Chemicals in various State",
       x = NULL, y = "Use Frequency") +
  theme minimal() +
  theme(
    axis.text.x = element_text(angle = 45, hjust = 1),
    axis.ticks = element_blank(),
    legend.title = element_blank(),
    legend.position = "right",
    plot.title = element_text(hjust = 0.5)
  coord_polar(theta = "y")
print(p)
```

Use Frequency of Top 15 Chemicals in various State



The chart visualizes the use frequency of the top 15 chemicals across various states. California has the highest use frequency for many of the chemicals, with its usage often reaching the 500-mark. Florida and Michigan also show notable use frequencies, but they generally fall below the level of California. Some chemicals, such as those corresponding to the purple and orange segments (possibly Ohio and Oregon), have a more consistent usage frequency across the spectrum of chemicals. The chemicals listed on the left side of the chart (like abamectin, acetamiprid, azoxystrobin) have a more consistent usage frequency across different states. There is a chemical labeled as NA, suggesting that there might be some missing or unclassified data in this dataset. Several states like New York, North Carolina, and Wisconsin have relatively lower frequencies in the use of these top chemicals when compared to states like California.

Then Create two subsets, poisons_chem and safe_chem, by filtering based on the values in the 'Chemical' column from the stb_survey data table. Visualize all chemicals and differentiate them by color based on their safety.

```
#Data Cleaning: Remove blanks and standardize to lowercase, extract unique
#chemical names and create a new dataframe to store these distinct chemical names

stb_survey$Chemical <- tolower(trimws(stb_survey$Chemical))
unique_chemicals <- unique(stb_survey$Chemical)
unique_chemicals_df <- data.frame(Chemical = unique_chemicals)
write.csv(unique_chemicals_df, file = "unique_chemicals.csv", row.names = FALSE)</pre>
```

```
poisonous_chemicals <- c("azoxystrobin", "blad", "boscalid",</pre>
                         "bt subsp kurstaki evb-113-19", "captan",
                         "copper octanoate", "cyflufenamid", "cyprodinil",
                         "difenoconazole", "fenhexamid", "fludioxonil",
                         "fluopyram", "fluxapyroxad", "fosetyl-al", "isofetamid",
                         "mefenoxam", "mono-potassium salt", "myclobutanil",
                         "penthiopyrad", "polyoxin d zinc salt", "propiconazole",
                         "pyraclostrobin", "pyrimethanil", "quinoline", "sulfur",
                         "tetraconazole", "thiophanate-methyl", "thiram",
                         "trifloxystrobin",
                         "triflumizole", "carfentrazone-ethyl", "flumioxazin",
                         "glyphosate iso. salt", "glyphosate pot. salt",
                         "napropamide", "oxyfluorfen", "paraquat", "pendimethalin",
                         "abamectin", "acequinocyl", "acetamiprid", "azadirachtin",
                         "bifenazate", "bifenthrin", "bt kurstak abts-1857",
                         "bt kurstaki abts-351", "bt kurstaki eg7841",
                         "bt kurstaki sa-11", "bt sub aizawai gc-91",
                         "buprofezin", "burkholderia a396 cells & media",
                         "chlorantraniliprole",
                         "chromobac subtsugae praa4-1 cells and spent media",
                         "cyantraniliprole", "cyflumetofen", "diazinon", "etoxazole",
                         "fenbutatin-oxide", "fenpropathrin", "fenpyroximate",
                         "flonicamid", "flupyradifurone", "helicoverpa zea npv",
                         "hexythiazox", "imidacloprid", "malathion",
                         "methoxyfenozide", "naled", "novaluron",
                         "petroleum distillate", "piperonyl butoxide",
                         "pyrethrins", "pyridaben", "pyriproxyfen",
                         "spinetoram", "spinosad", "spiromesifen",
                         "thiamethoxam", "acibenzolar-s-methyl",
                         "chloropicrin", "dichloropropene", "flutriafol",
                         "metam-potassium", "peroxyacetic acid", "potassium silicate",
                         "pydiflumetofen", "clethodim", "copper ethanolamine",
                         "dimethenamid", "fluroxypyr 1-mhe", "halosulfuron-methyl",
                         "kantor", "carbaryl", "fenazaquin", "sulfoxaflor",
                         "cytokinins", "ethephon", "indolebutyric acid",
                         "copper hydroxide", "glufosinate-ammonium",
                         "sulfentrazone", "chlorpyrifos", "zeta-cypermethrin",
                         "metaldehyde", "metam-sodium", "copper chloride hyd.",
                         "dodine", "flutolanil", "2,4-d, dimeth. salt", "2,4-d,
                         triiso. salt",
                         "cypermethrin", "alkyl. dim. benz. am", "decyldimethyloctyl",
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```
"didecyl dim. ammon.", "dimethyldioctyl", "iprodione",
                         "cyflumetofen", "emamectin benzoate", "lambda-cyhalothrin",
                         "spirotetramat", "dimethyl disulfide (dmds)",
                         "copper oxide", "ammonium pelargonate", "flubendiamide",
                         "methyl bromide", "chlorothalonil", "cyazofamid",
                         "mancozeb", "endosulfan", "clopyralid mono salt",
                         "simazine", "terbacil", "ferric sodium edta", "clomazone")
safe_chemicals <- c("bacillus amyloliquefaciens mbi 600", "bacillus amyloliquefac f727",
                    "bacillus amyloliquefaciens strain d747", "bacillus pumilus",
                    "bacillus subtilis", "beauveria bassiana", "borax decahydrate",
                    "canola oil", "streptomyces lydicus", "neem oil",
                    "neem oil, clar. hyd.", "hydrogen peroxide", "iron phosphate",
                    "mineral oil", "potassium bicarbon.", "potassium salts",
                    "soybean oil", "aureobasidium pullulans dsm 14940",
                    "aureobasidium pullulans dsm 14941", "trichoderma harz.",
                    "trichoderma virens strain g-41", "gliocladium virens",
                    "bacillus subt. gb03", "paecilomyces fumosor",
                    "reynoutria sachaline", "pseudomonas chlororaphis strain afs009",
                    "capsicum oleoresin extract", "garlic oil", "capric acid",
                    "caprylic acid", "mustard oil", "capsaicin", "harpin a b protein")
all chemicals <- c(safe chemicals, poisonous chemicals)
unique_chemicals <- unique(all_chemicals)</pre>
df <- data.frame(</pre>
 name = unique chemicals,
 type = ifelse(unique_chemicals %in% safe_chemicals, "safe", "toxic")
graph <- graph.empty(n = 0, directed = FALSE)</pre>
graph <- add_vertices(graph, nrow(df), name = df$name, type = df$type)</pre>
ggraph(graph, layout = 'circle') +
  geom_node_point(aes(color = type), size = 3) +
  geom_node_text(aes(label = name), nudge_y = 0.1, check_overlap = TRUE, angle = TRUE) +
  scale_color_manual(values = c("safe" = "darkmagenta", "toxic" = "#D93600")) +
  theme_void() +
  theme(legend.position = "right")
```

```
fenhexamid
                                                        arpin a b protein
                     propiconazole
                                                                   garlic oil
              tetraconazole
                                                              paecilomyces fumosor
trichoderma virens strain g-
           triflumizole
 glyphosate iso. salt
                                                              aureobasidium pullulans dsr
    oxyfluorfen
                                                                            potassium bicarbo
  abamectin
                                                                               hydrogen perox
ızadirachtin
                                                                     streptomyces ly
borax decahy
bacillus sur
bacillus amyloliquefaci
bacillus amyloliquefa
ferric sodium
stak abts-1857
stak eg7841
aizawai gc-91
a396 cells & media
praa4-1 cells and spent media
                                                                                                      type
                                                                                                             safe
lumetofen
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etoxazole
npropathrin
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upyradifurone
   imidacloprid
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                                                                     emamectin benzoate
didecyl dim ammon.
cypermethrin
           aled
    piperonyl butoxide
            pyriproxyfen
                thiamethoxam
                                                                      dodine
                                             carbaryl chlorpyrifo
                     metam-potassium
```

```
stb_survey$Chemical <- trimws(stb_survey$Chemical)

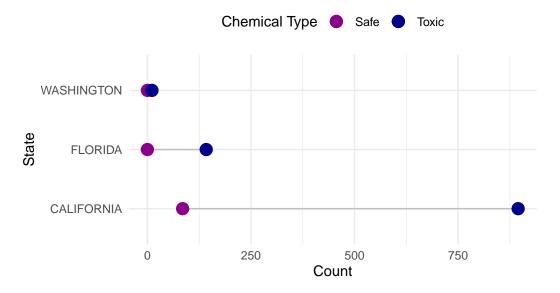
poisons_chem <- subset(stb_survey, Chemical %in% poisonous_chemicals)
safe_chem <- subset(stb_survey, Chemical %in% safe_chemicals)</pre>
```

Deal with preprocessing data, calculate the count of toxic and non-toxic chemicals for each state. And Exclude states where both toxic and non-toxic chemical counts are zero.

```
stb_grouped <- stb_survey %>%
  group_by(State) %>%
  summarise(
    toxic_count = sum(Chemical %in% poisonous_chemicals),
    safe_count = sum(Chemical %in% safe_chemicals)
) %>%
  filter(toxic_count > 0 | safe_count > 0)
options(repr.plot.width=10, repr.plot.height=8)

ggplot(stb_grouped, aes(y = State)) +
  geom_segment(aes(x = safe_count, xend = toxic_count, yend = State), color = 'grey') +
  geom_point(aes(x = safe_count, color = "Safe"), size = 4) +
  geom_point(aes(x = toxic_count, color = "Toxic"), size = 4) +
```

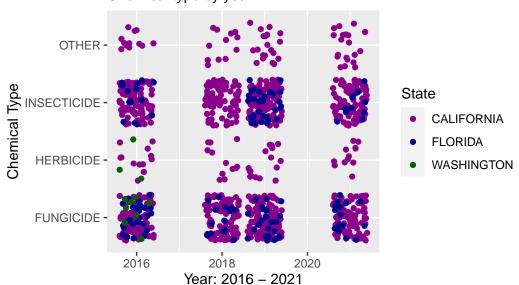
Toxic & Safe Chemical Frequency by State States with zero count for both are excluded



Among the four listed states, California has the highest frequency of both safe and toxic chemical usage. For safe chemicals, there is no safe chemical in Oregon and Washington. When considering toxic chemicals, Washington's frequency is noticeably higher than that of Oregon.

Toxic Chemical Frequency in Various States from 2016 to 2021

Toxic Chemical Frequency in Various States from 2016 Chemical type by year

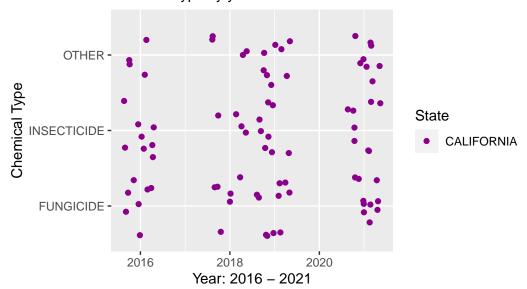


From the plot regarding toxic chemicals, we can find that insecticide and fungicide widely used in strawberry farming in California and Florida. Strawberry farming in Washington and Oregon only used insecticides, herbicides, and fungicides in 2016, but did not use them in subsequent years.

Safe Chemical Frequency in Various States from 2016 to 2021

```
# Filter the data to include only the specified domains
selected_domains <- c("INSECTICIDE", "FUNGICIDE", "HERBICIDE", "OTHER")
safe_chem_selected <- safe_chem %>%
   filter(Domain %in% selected_domains)
# Create the plot with a custom color scale
```

Safe Chemical Frequency in Various States from 2016 Chemical type by year



From the plot regarding safe chemicals, we can find that insecticide and fungicide widely used in strawberry farming in California and Florida in all years. In 2016, strawberry farming in Washington only used fungicides and strawberry farming in Oregon only used others, but did not use them in subsequent years.

We observe the distribution of the average value of strawberries in each state when using toxic chemicals.

```
poisons_chem$Value <- as.numeric(gsub("[^0-9.]", "", poisons_chem$Value))
us_states <- map_data("state")</pre>
```

```
# Ensure state names match. Convert both to lowercase to avoid discrepancies due to case.
poisons_chem$State <- tolower(poisons_chem$State)</pre>
us_states$region <- tolower(us_states$region)</pre>
# Calculate the average value for each state
state_avg_values <- poisons_chem %>%
  group_by(State) %>%
  summarise(Avg_Value = mean(Value, na.rm = TRUE), .groups='drop')
# Merge the map data and the average values
map_data <- left_join(us_states, state_avg_values, by = c("region" = "State"))</pre>
# If there are NA values in the merged data, you can replace them with zeros.
map_data$Avg_Value[is.na(map_data$Avg_Value)] <- 0</pre>
#Find the centroid of each state for placing the state label
state_centroids <- map_data %>%
  group_by(region) %>%
  summarise(cent_x = mean(long, na.rm = TRUE), cent_y = mean(lat, na.rm = TRUE),
            Avg_Value = first(Avg_Value))
#Filter centroids to keep only those states that have a non-zero Avg_Value
state_centroids <- filter(state_centroids, Avg_Value > 0)
#Create a choropleth map with shades of blue and label states with non-zero average values
ggplot(data = map_data, aes(x = long, y = lat, fill = Avg_Value)) +
  geom_polygon(aes(group = group), color = "white") +
  geom_text(data = state_centroids, aes(x = cent_x, y = cent_y, label = region),
            size = 2.5, check_overlap = TRUE) +
  scale_fill_gradient(name = "Average Value of Strawberries", low = "lightblue",
                      high = "darkblue") +
  labs(title = "Average Value of Strawberries by State under the Use of Toxic Chemicals")
  coord_fixed(1.3) +
  theme_void()
```

Average Value of Strawberries by State under the Use of Toxic Chem



We observe the distribution of the average value of strawberries in each state when using safe chemicals.

```
safe_chem$Value <- as.numeric(gsub("[^0-9.]", "", safe_chem$Value))
us_states <- map_data("state")

# Ensure state names match. Convert both to lowercase to avoid discrepancies due to case.
safe_chem$State <- tolower(safe_chem$State)
us_states$region <- tolower(us_states$region)

# Calculate the average value for each state
state_avg_values <- safe_chem %>%
    group_by(State) %>%
    summarise(Avg_Value = mean(Value, na.rm = TRUE), .groups='drop')

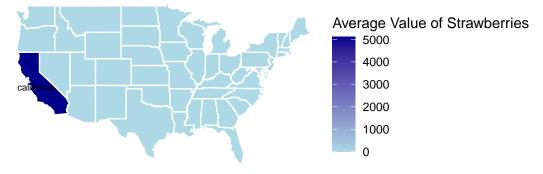
# Merge the map data and the average values
map_data <- left_join(us_states, state_avg_values, by = c("region" = "State"))

# If there are NA values in the merged data, you can replace them with zeros.
map_data$Avg_Value[is.na(map_data$Avg_Value)] <- 0

# Find the centroid of each state for placing the state label</pre>
```

```
state_centroids <- map_data %>%
 group_by(region) %>%
 summarise(cent_x = mean(long, na.rm = TRUE), cent_y = mean(lat, na.rm = TRUE),
           Avg_Value = first(Avg_Value))
# Filter centroids to keep only those states that have a non-zero Avg_Value
state centroids <- filter(state centroids, Avg Value > 0)
# Create a choropleth map with shades of blue and label states
# with non-zero average values
ggplot(data = map_data, aes(x = long, y = lat, fill = Avg_Value)) +
 geom_polygon(aes(group = group), color = "white") +
 geom_text(data = state_centroids, aes(x = cent_x, y = cent_y, label = region),
            size = 2.5, check_overlap = TRUE) +
 scale_fill_gradient(name = "Average Value of Strawberries", low = "lightblue",
                     high = "darkblue") +
 labs(title="Average Value of Strawberries by State under the Use of Safe Chemicals") +
 coord_fixed(1.3) +
 theme_void()
```

Average Value of Strawberries by State under the Use of Safe Chemi



Based on the distribution from the two maps, we conclude that under both the use of toxic and non-toxic chemicals, the average value of strawberries in California is the highest. Furthermore,

when using toxic chemicals, the average value of strawberries in Washington is the lowest.

References

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 $https://quick stats.nass.usda.gov/param_define$