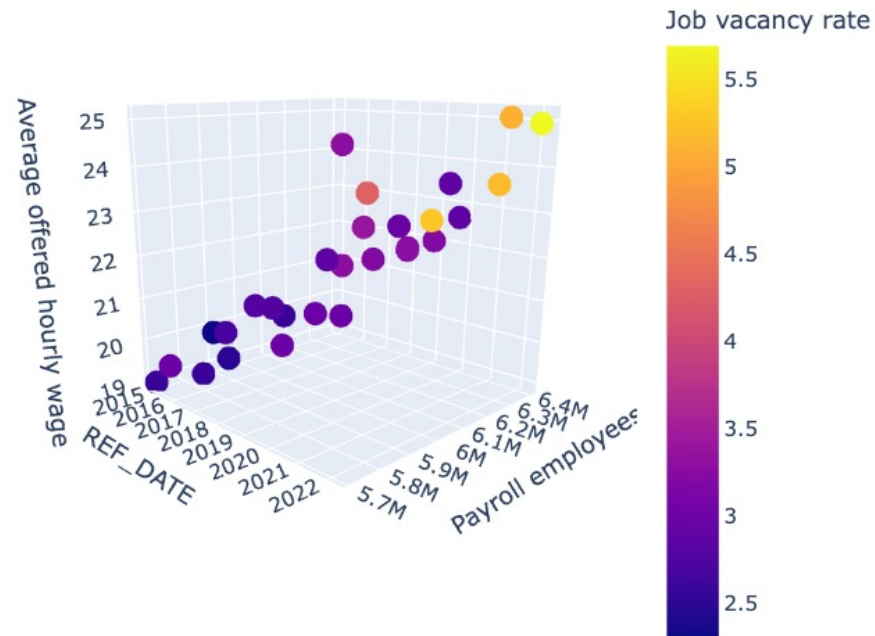




Beyond 2D data visualization: Animated, interactive 3D and virtual reality visualizations



Presenters:

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Data source: Statistics Canada. [Table 14-10-0371-01 Job vacancies, payroll employees, and job vacancy rate by provinces and territories, monthly, unadjusted for seasonality](#)

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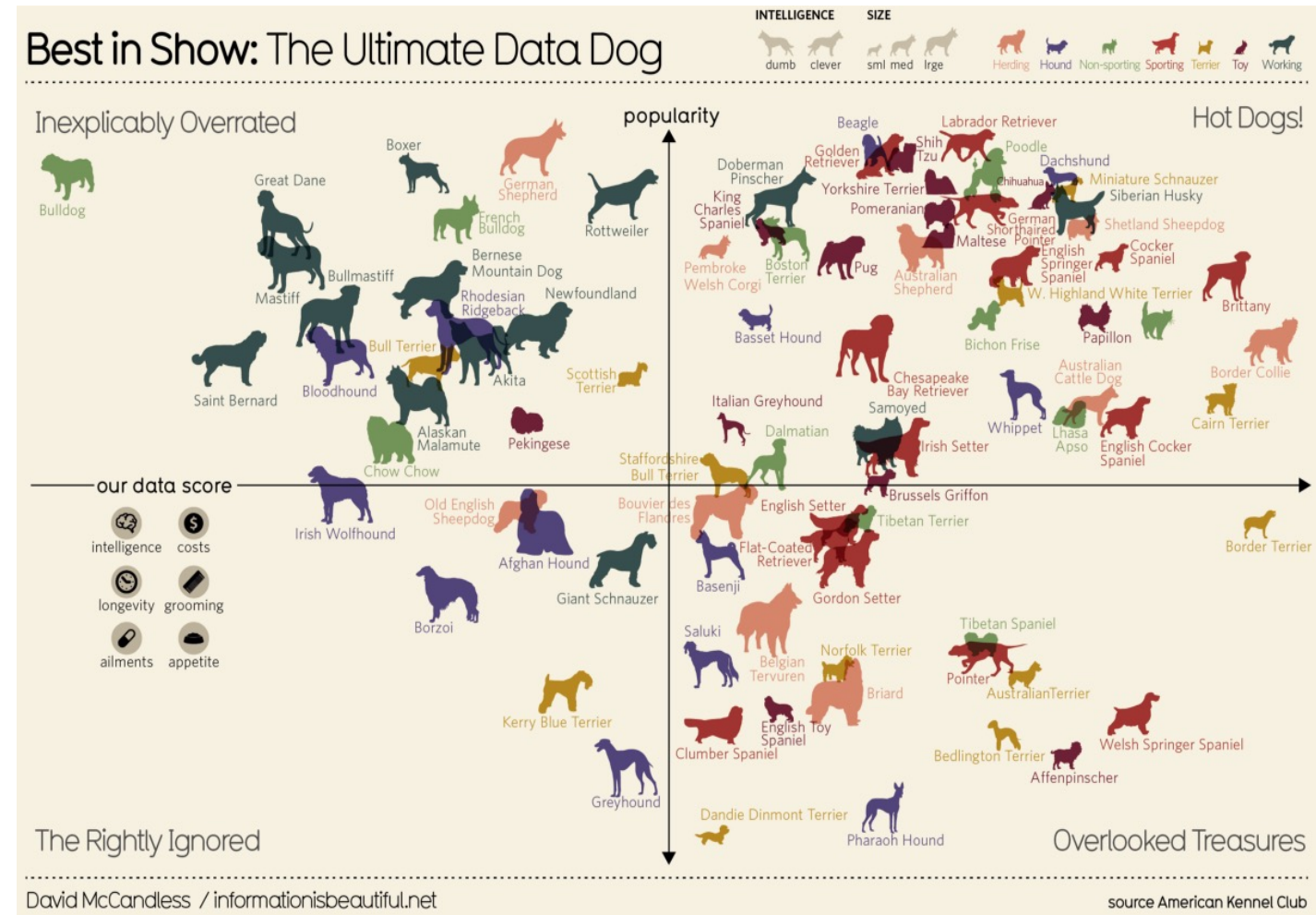
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- Data Animation with a PowerBI Example
- Data visualization in 3D and best practices
- 3D Visualization Coding example with Plotly
- Virtual Reality Visualization and its recent development



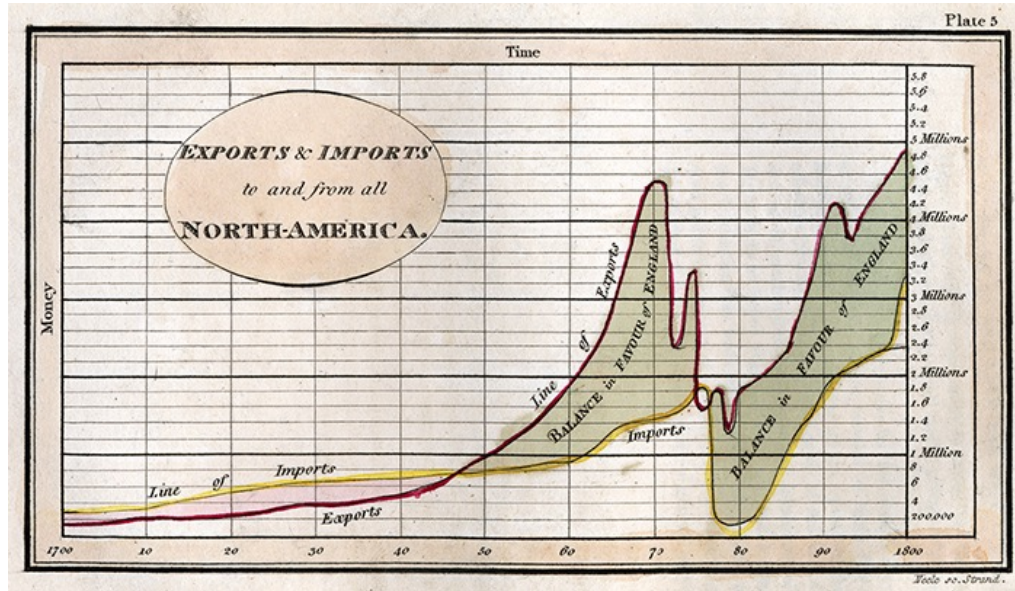
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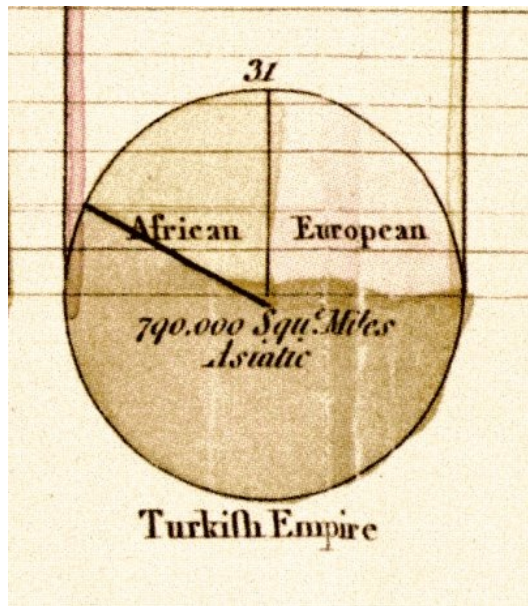
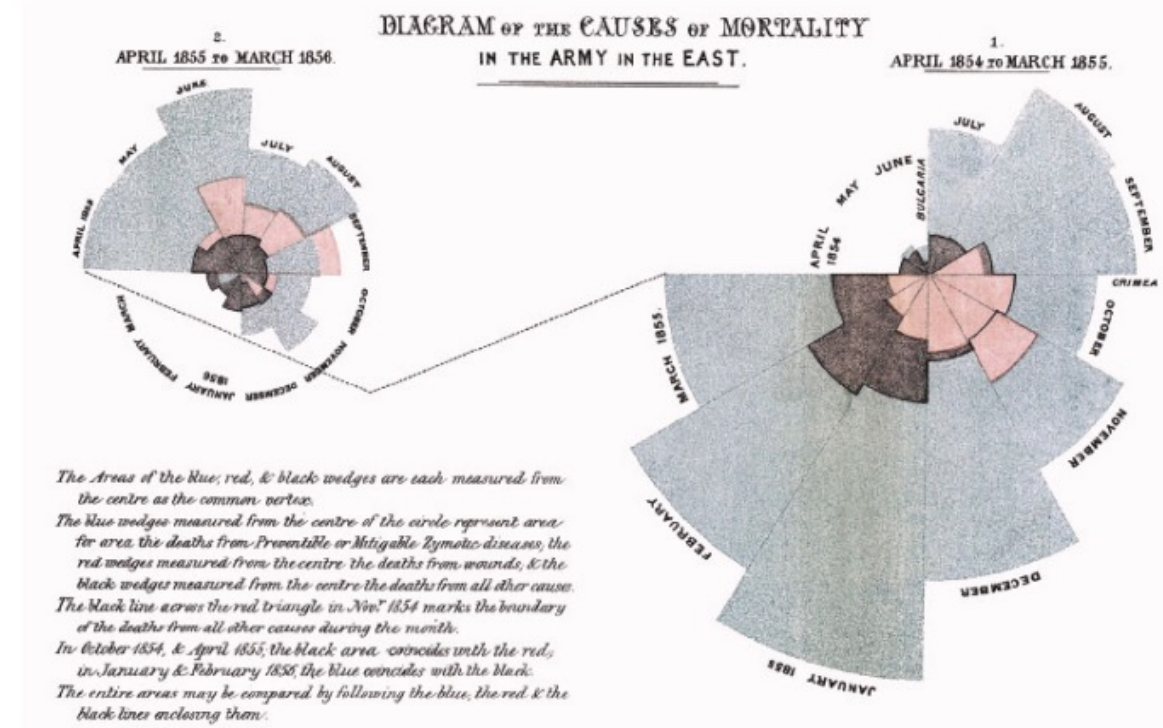
- Clearly and effectively transmit communication information through graphical
- More easily understand the content represented by data.
- Different datasets have different characteristics.
- Better showing the structural characteristics of the data itself can be achieved



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Coxcomb Diagrams

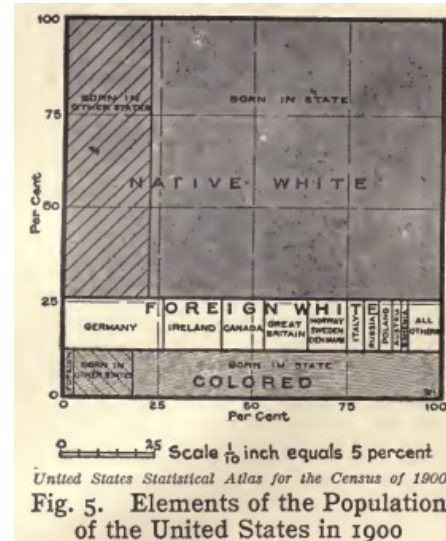
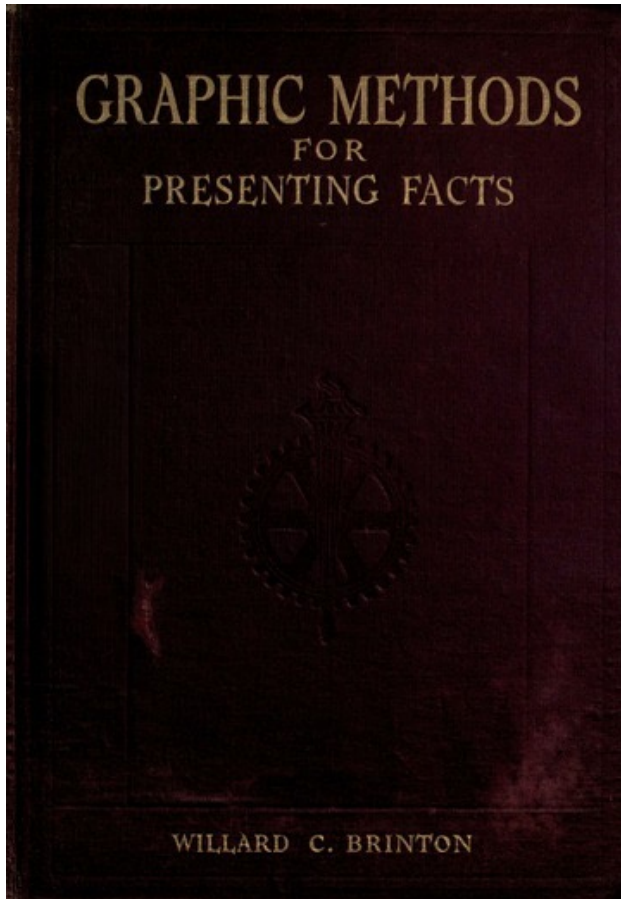


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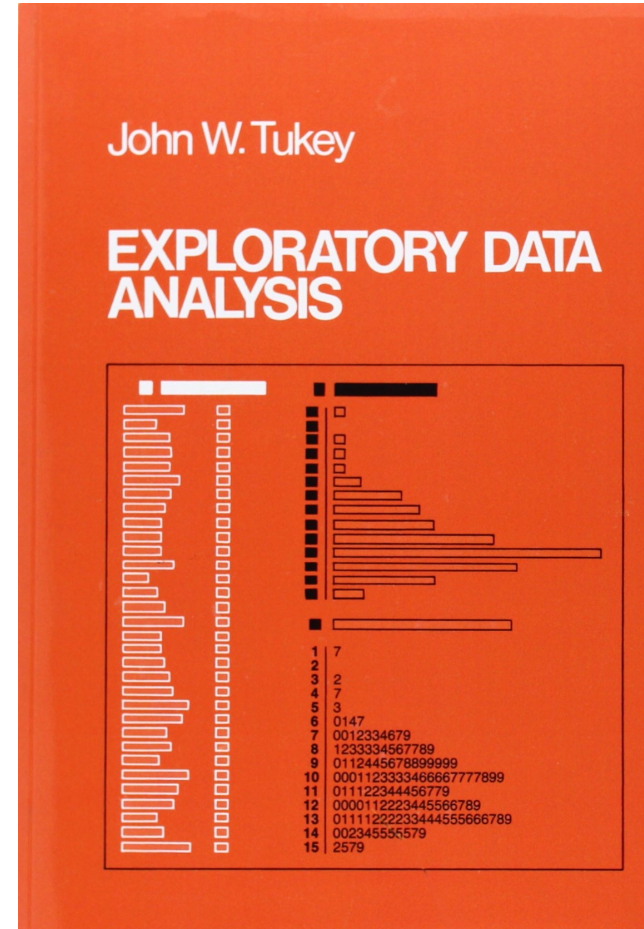
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Break table for two-decimal logs

A) MAIN BREAK TABLE

Break log	Break log	Break log	Break log	Break log
9886 .00	1567 .20	2483 .40	3936 .60	6237 .80
1012 .01	1603 .21	2541 .41	4027 .61	6383 .81
1035 .02	1641 .22	2600 .42	4121 .62	6531 .82
1059 .03	1679 .23	2661 .43	4217 .63	6683 .83
1084 .04	1718 .24	2723 .44	4315 .64	6839 .84
1109 .05	1758 .25	2786 .45	4416 .65	6998 .85
1135 .06	1799 .26	2851 .46	4519 .66	7161 .86
1161 .07	1841 .27	2917 .47	4624 .67	7328 .87
1189 .08	1884 .28	2985 .48	4732 .68	7499 .88
1216 .09	1928 .29	3055 .49	4842 .69	7674 .89
1245 .10	1972 .30	3126 .50	4955 .70	7852 .90
1274 .11	2018 .31	3199 .51	5070 .71	8035 .91
1303 .12	2065 .32	3273 .52	5188 .72	8222 .92
1334 .13	2113 .33	3350 .53	5309 .73	8414 .93
1365 .14	2163 .34	3428 .54	5433 .74	8610 .94
1396 .15	2213 .35	3508 .55	5559 .75	8810 .95
1429 .16	2265 .36	3589 .56	5689 .76	9016 .96
1462 .17	2317 .37	3673 .57	5821 .77	9226 .97
1496 .18	2371 .38	3758 .58	5957 .78	9441 .98
1531 .19	2427 .39	3846 .59	6095 .79	9661 .99
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When in doubt use an even answer; thus, 1462 gives .16 and 1496 gives .18.

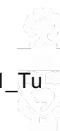
B) SETTING DECIMAL POINTS

Number	B	A	log number
1	+0	-1	1
10	+1	-2	0.1
100	+2	-3	0.01
1000	+3	-4	0.001
10,000	+4	-5	0.0001
100,000	+5	-6	0.00001
1,000,000	+6	-7	0.000001

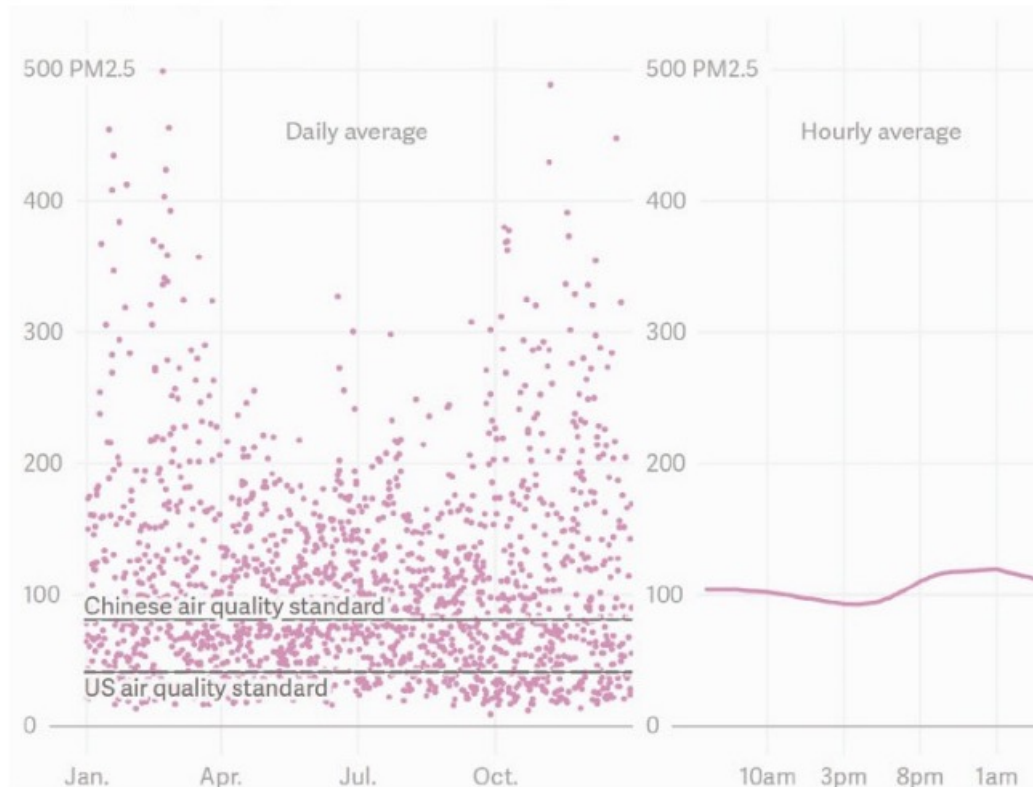
C) EXAMPLES

Number	B	A	log number
log 137.2	2	+ .14	= 2.14
log 0.03694	-2	+ .57	= -1.43
log 0.896	-1	+ .95	= -0.05
log 174,321	+5	+ .24	= 5.24

1970, John Tukey, Exploratory data analysis



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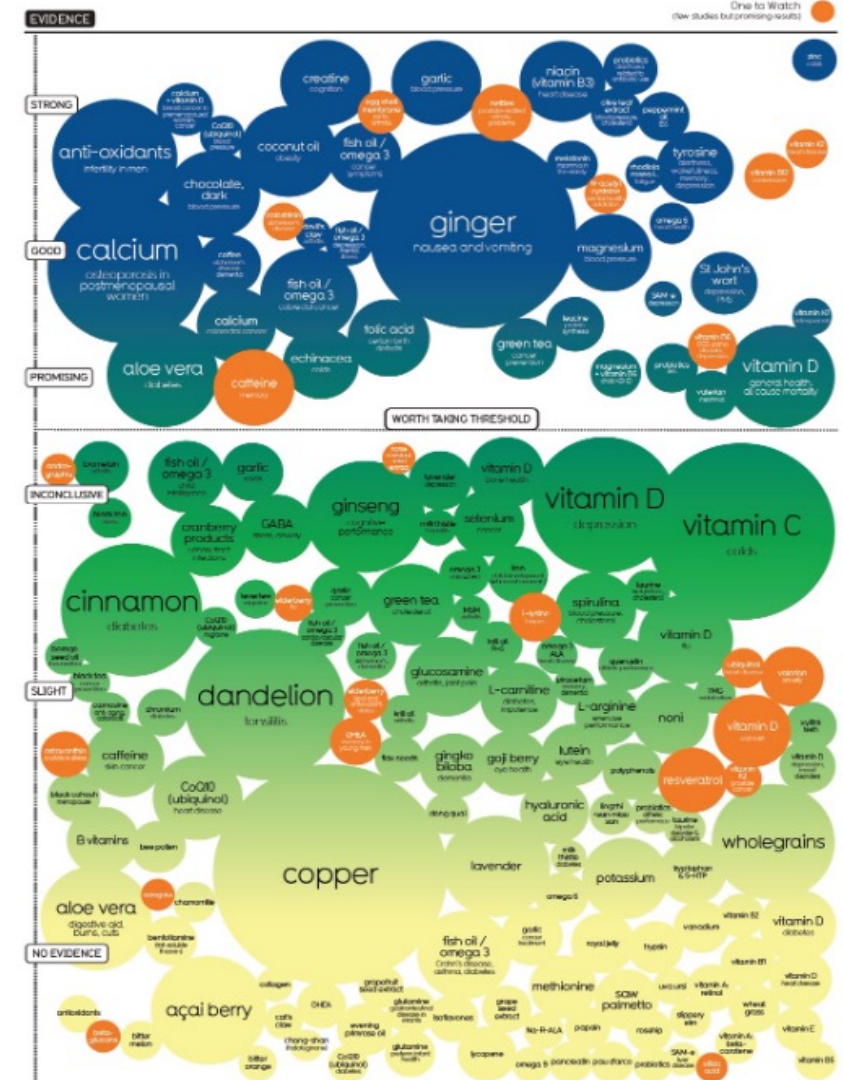


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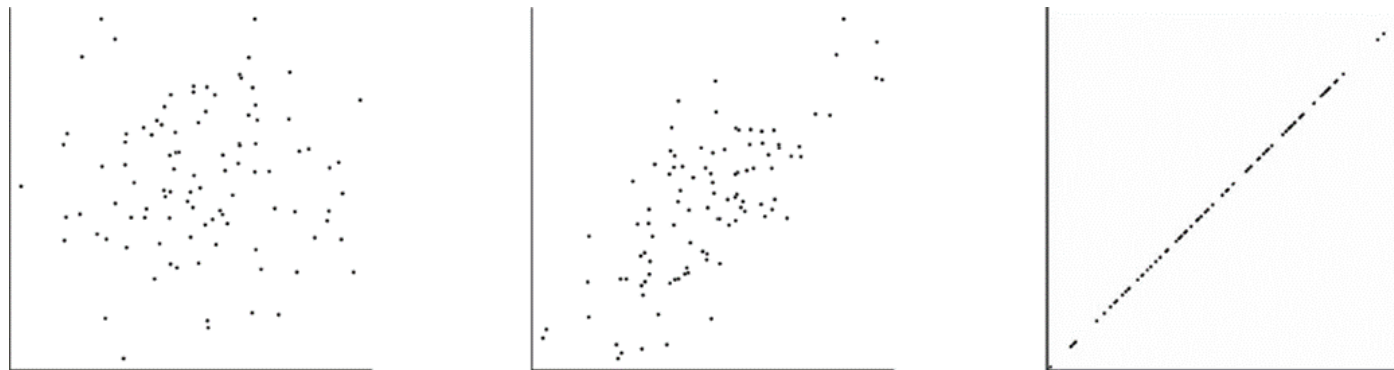
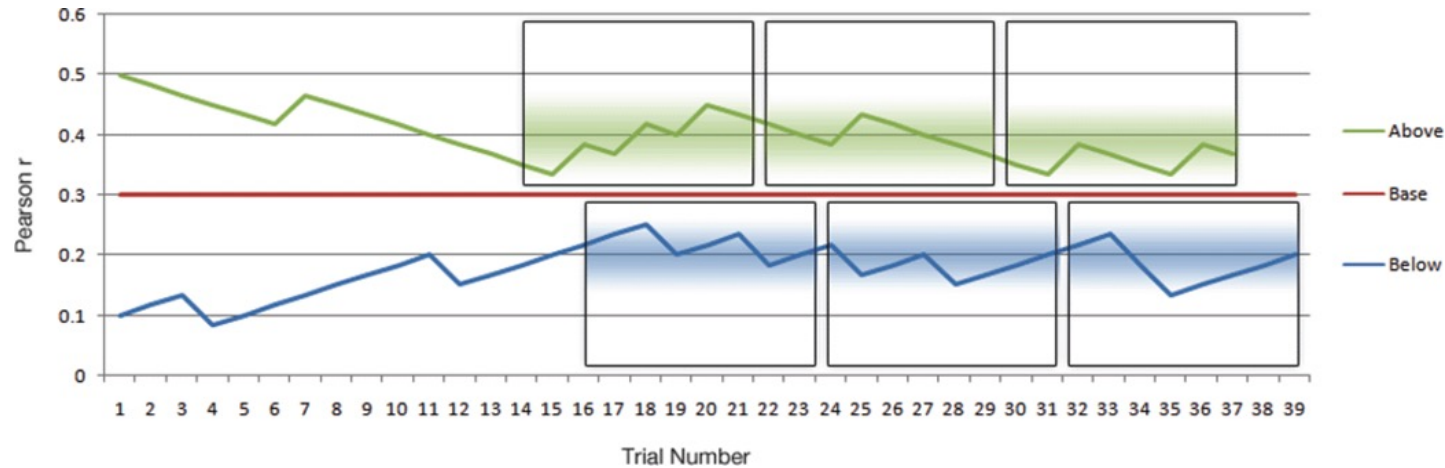
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2010, Ronald Rensink, Perception of Correlation in Scatterplot

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Figure 1b. Hispanic and minority firms report lower access to credit pre-pandemic

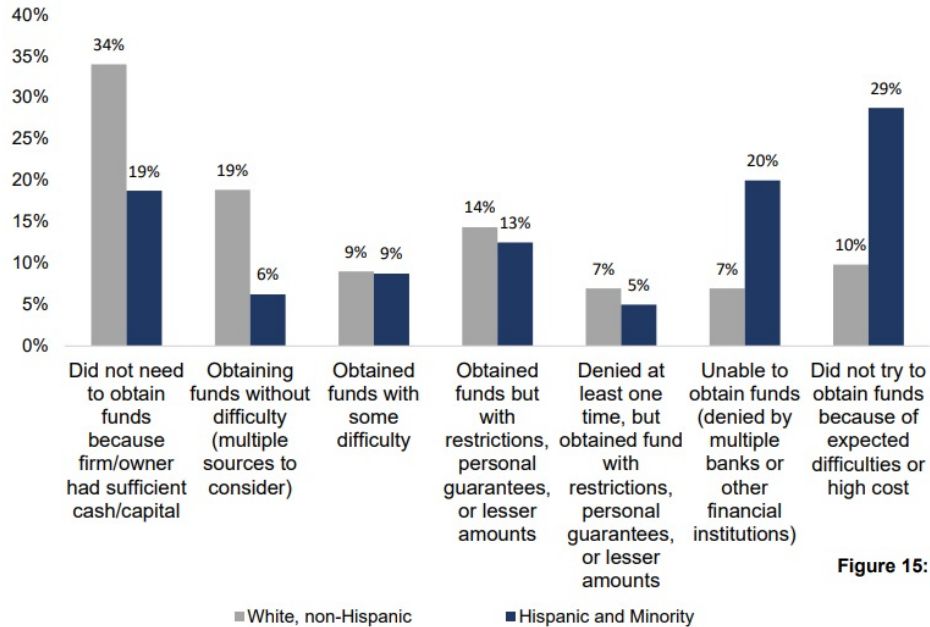
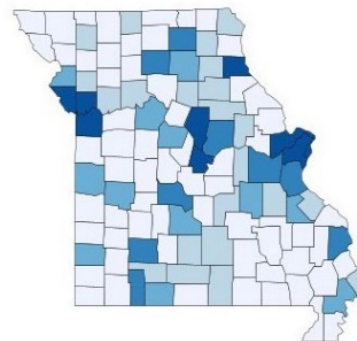


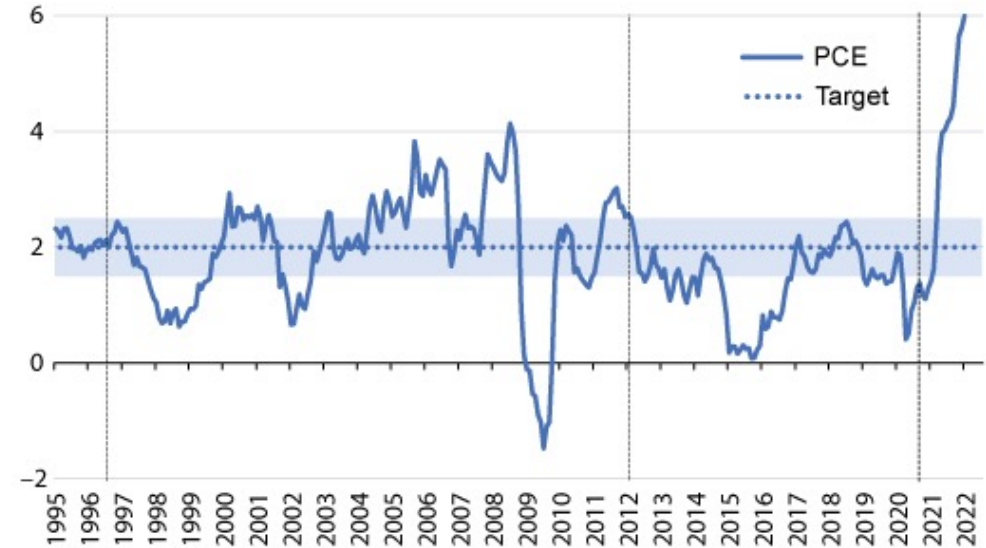
Figure 15: Distribution of survey responses by county



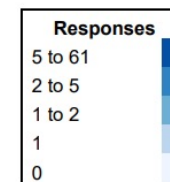
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Note: Shading represents the number of responses in a county, as reported by the respondent.

Figure 2
Actual and Target PCE Inflation



SOURCE: Haver, Bureau of Economic Analysis, and authors' calculations.



Garriga, C. & Werner, D., (2022). *Inflation, Part 3: What Is the Fed's Current Goal? Has the Fed Met Its Inflation Mandate?* Economic Research Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis Retrieved from https://files.stlouisfed.org/files/htdocs/uploads/2021_oct2_survey_Missouri_business_report_20211002.pdf

Data visualization in 2D

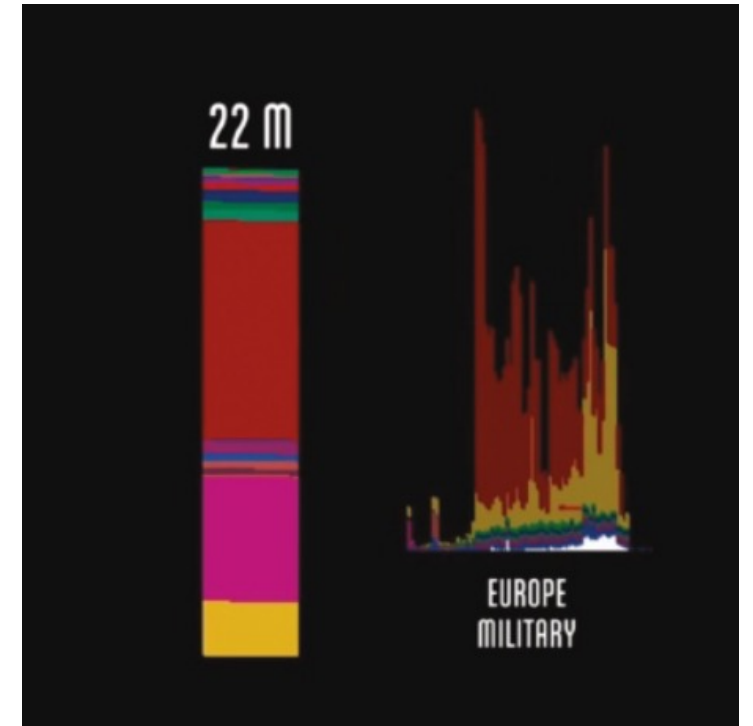
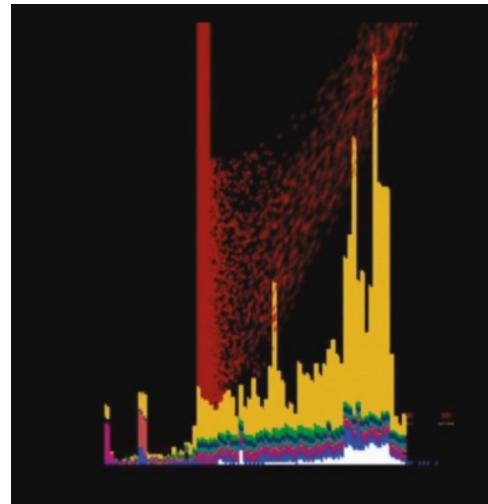
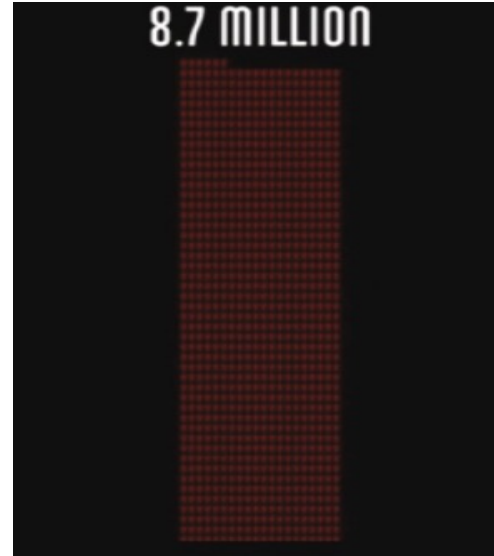


- 2D commonly used
- Many types within 2D
- Optional formant depends on the needs
- What if add a time?

What is Data Animation



- Deconstruction and reconstruction
- Engagement in learning of dynamic mechanism
- Example: World War II death
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DwKPFT-RioU>



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Labour force characteristics by sex and detailed age group, monthly, unadjusted for seasonality (x 1,000)¹

Frequency: Monthly

Table: 14-10-0017-01 (formerly CANSIM 282-0001)

Release date: 2022-10-07

Geography: Canada, Province or territory

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Geography: ² Canada

Labour force characteristics: Employment

Reference period: From: April 1976 To: August 2022

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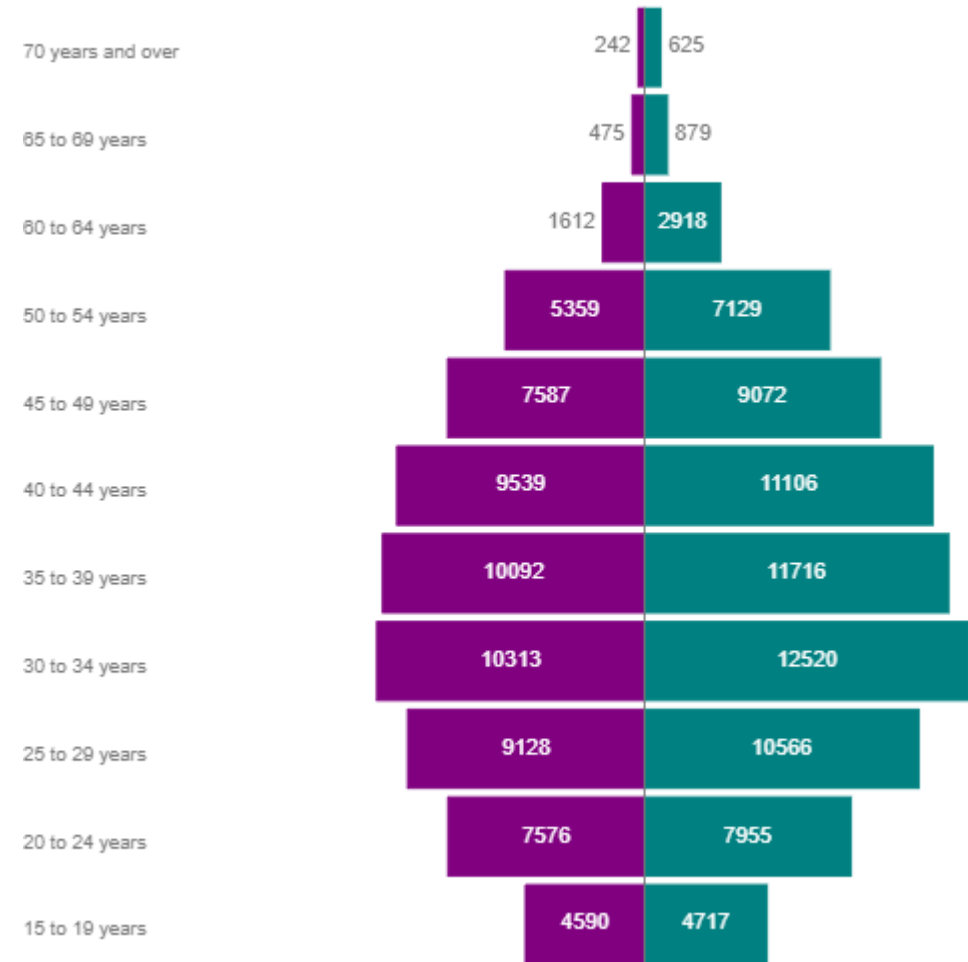
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Sex	Age group	April 1976	May 1976	June 1976	July 1976	August 1976	September 1976	October 1976	November 1976	December 1976	January 1977	February 1977	March 1977	April 1977	May 1977	
	15 years and over	9,503.0	9,766.4	10,030.9	10,221.8	10,206.6	9,864.0	9,844.1	9,789.7	9,719.1	9,485.7	9,534.7	9,591.3	9,649.1	9,996.2	
	15 to 24 years	2,385.8	2,540.6	2,740.6	2,957.8	2,927.3	2,499.3	2,485.1	2,463.2	2,452.6	2,361.7	2,365.0	2,395.9	2,421.6	2,610.1	
	25 years and over	7,117.2	7,225.8	7,290.3	7,264.0	7,279.3	7,364.7	7,358.9	7,326.5	7,266.5	7,124.0	7,169.7	7,195.4	7,227.5	7,386.1	

● Females ● Males



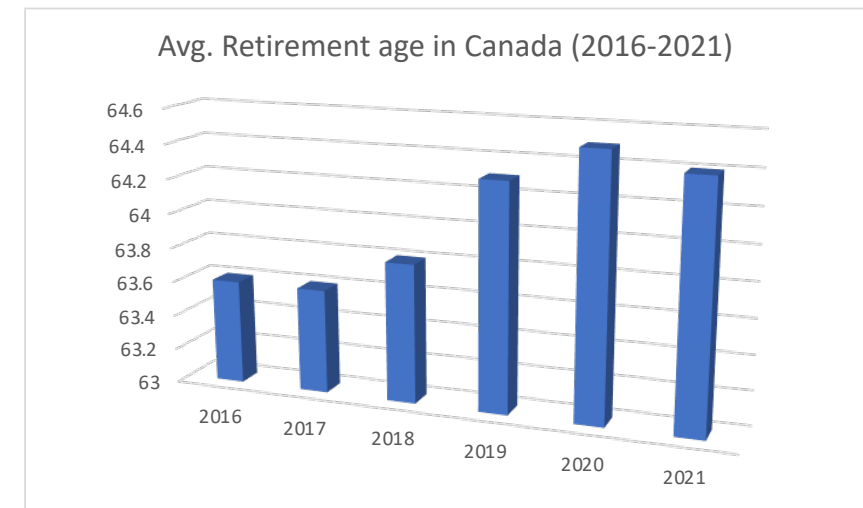
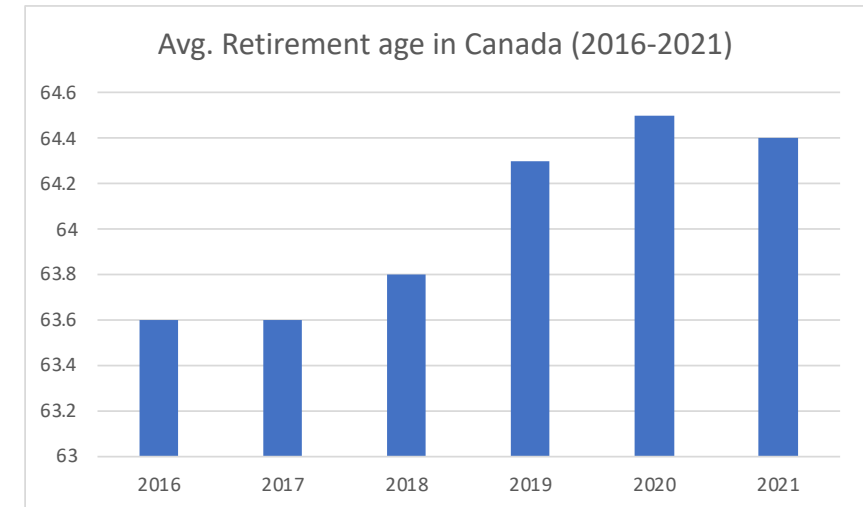
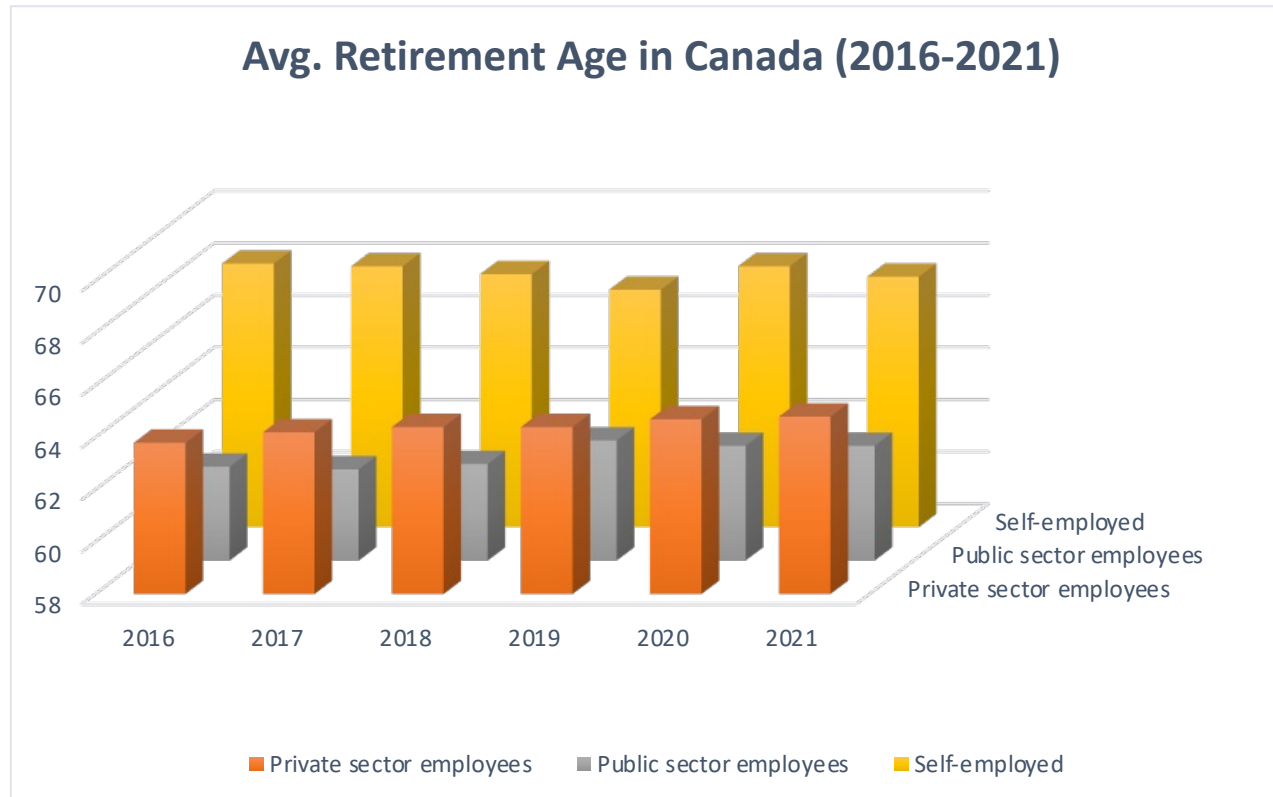
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Data visualization in 3D



- There was a time when people think 3D was cool, but it turned out to be a horrible idea.
- It is hard to interpret and not very accurate



Bad 3D visualizations

- 3D Bar charts
- 3D Pie charts



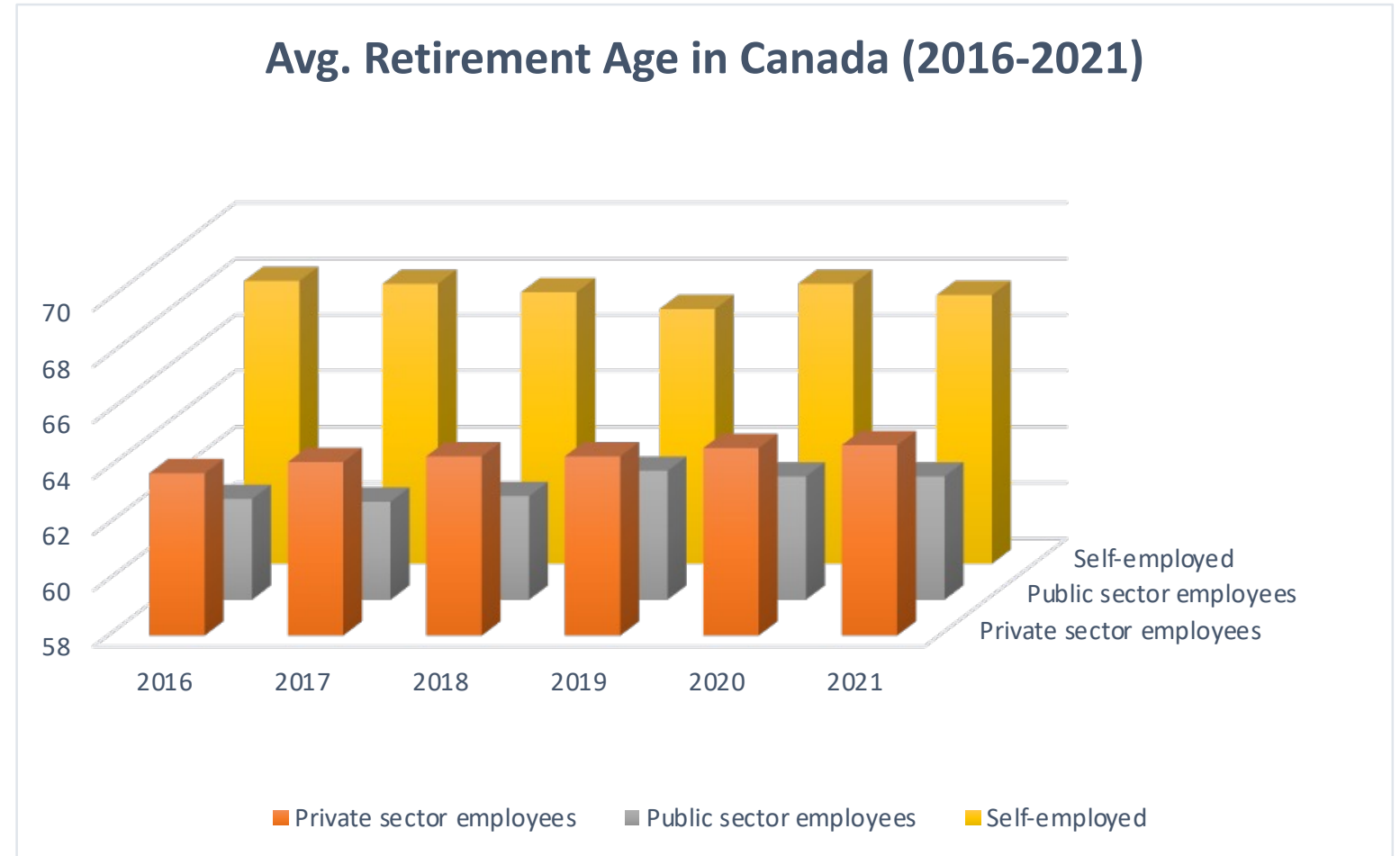
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3D Visualization with a 3rd Axis



Problems with static 3D visualizations

- With a fixed perspective **the size of an object can change based on its distance from the viewer, making it difficult to compare values**



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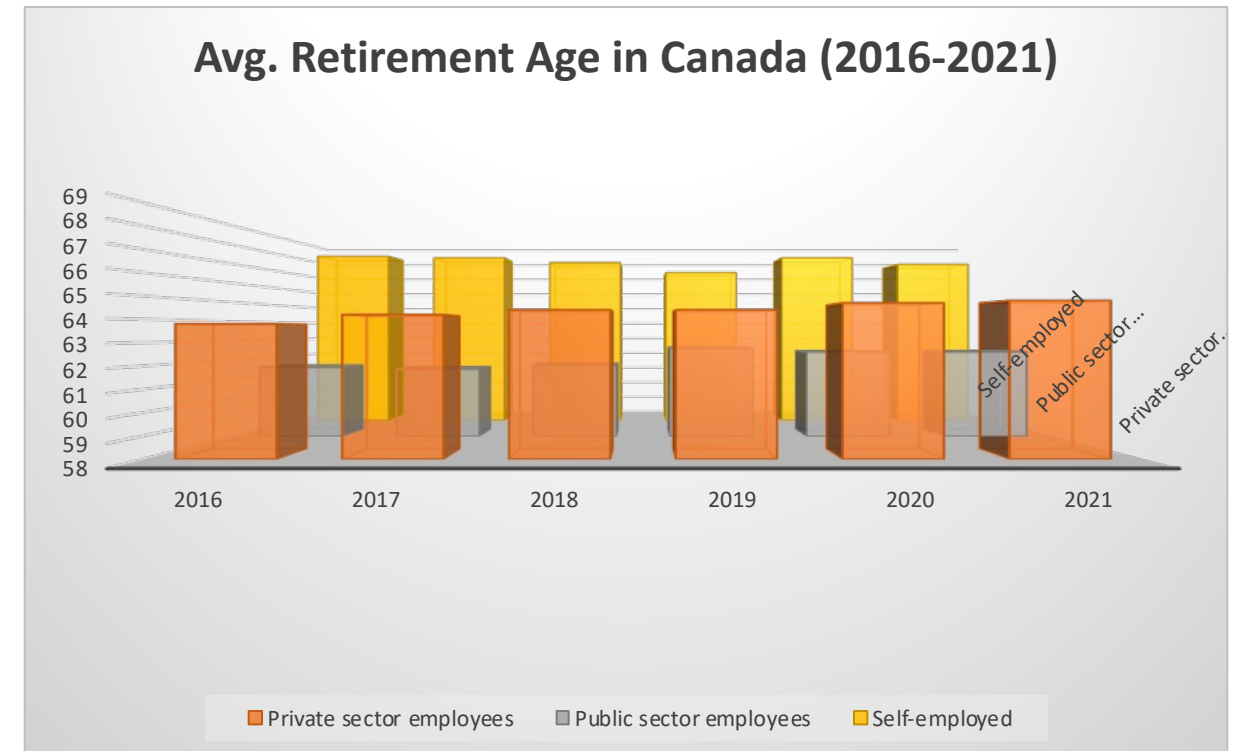


3D Visualization with a 3rd Axis



Problems with static 3D visualizations

- With a fixed viewpoint
where to position our ‘eye’ relative to the chart. Details can be obstructed



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Showing 3D data without going 3D

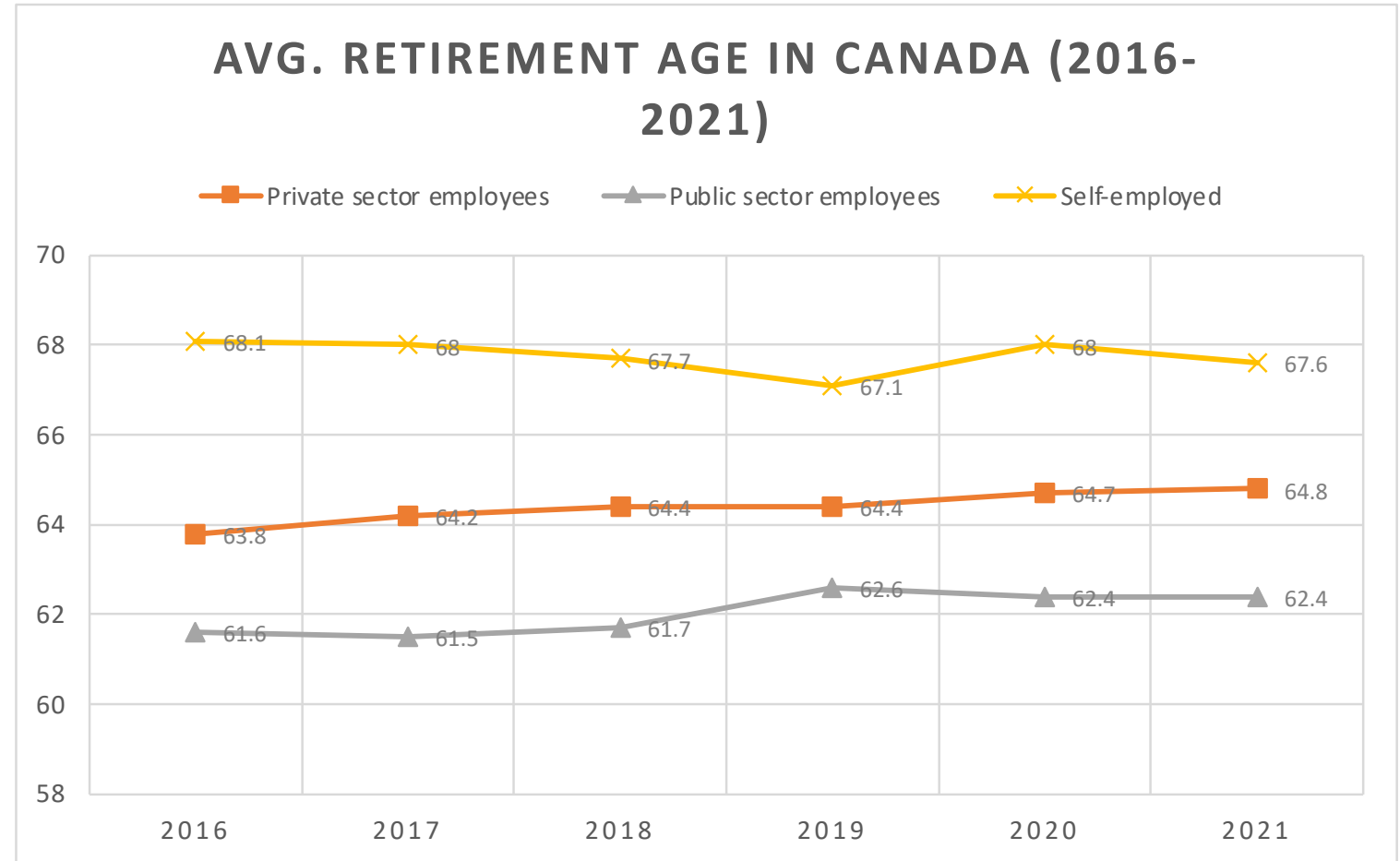


For discrete data, use:

- Color
- Shape

For continuous data, use:

- Frequency gradient
- Size (Bubbles)

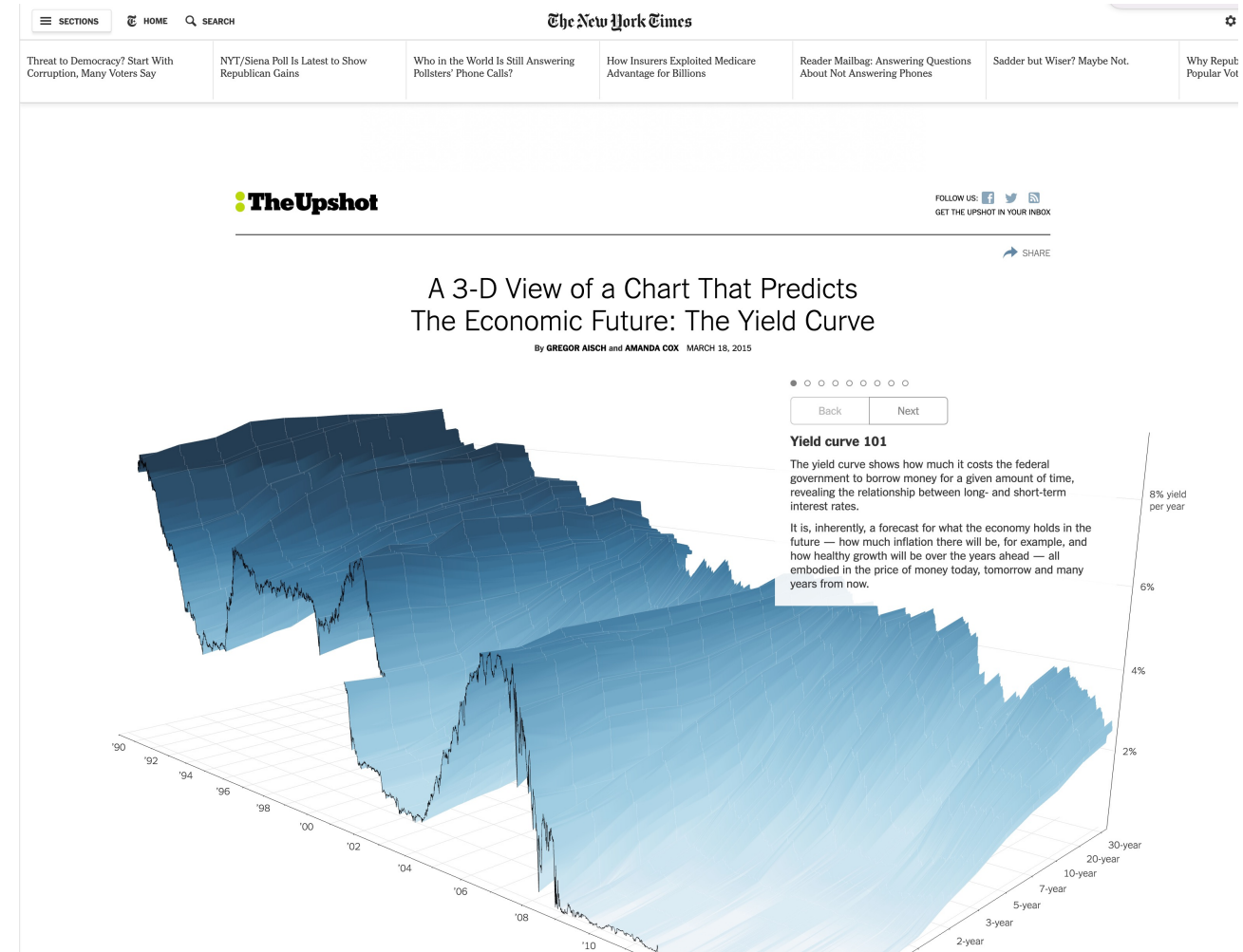


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A successful example of 3D visualization



- The interactive features solved some of the problems of static 3D visualization
 - **Zooming**
 - **Panning(rotation)**
 - **Moving**
 - **Labels and details**



The Advantages of Interactive 3D Visualization



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- One interactive 3D view vs many static 2D
- Empower user to explore
- The “Visual Information-Seeking Mantra”: overview first, zoom and filter, then details-on-demand
- Creates engagement with the audience who may not be interested in the data in the first place



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Job vacancies, payroll employees, and job vacancy rate by provinces and territories, monthly, unadjusted for seasonality^{1, 2, 3}

Frequency: Monthly [Help](#)

Table: 14-10-0371-01

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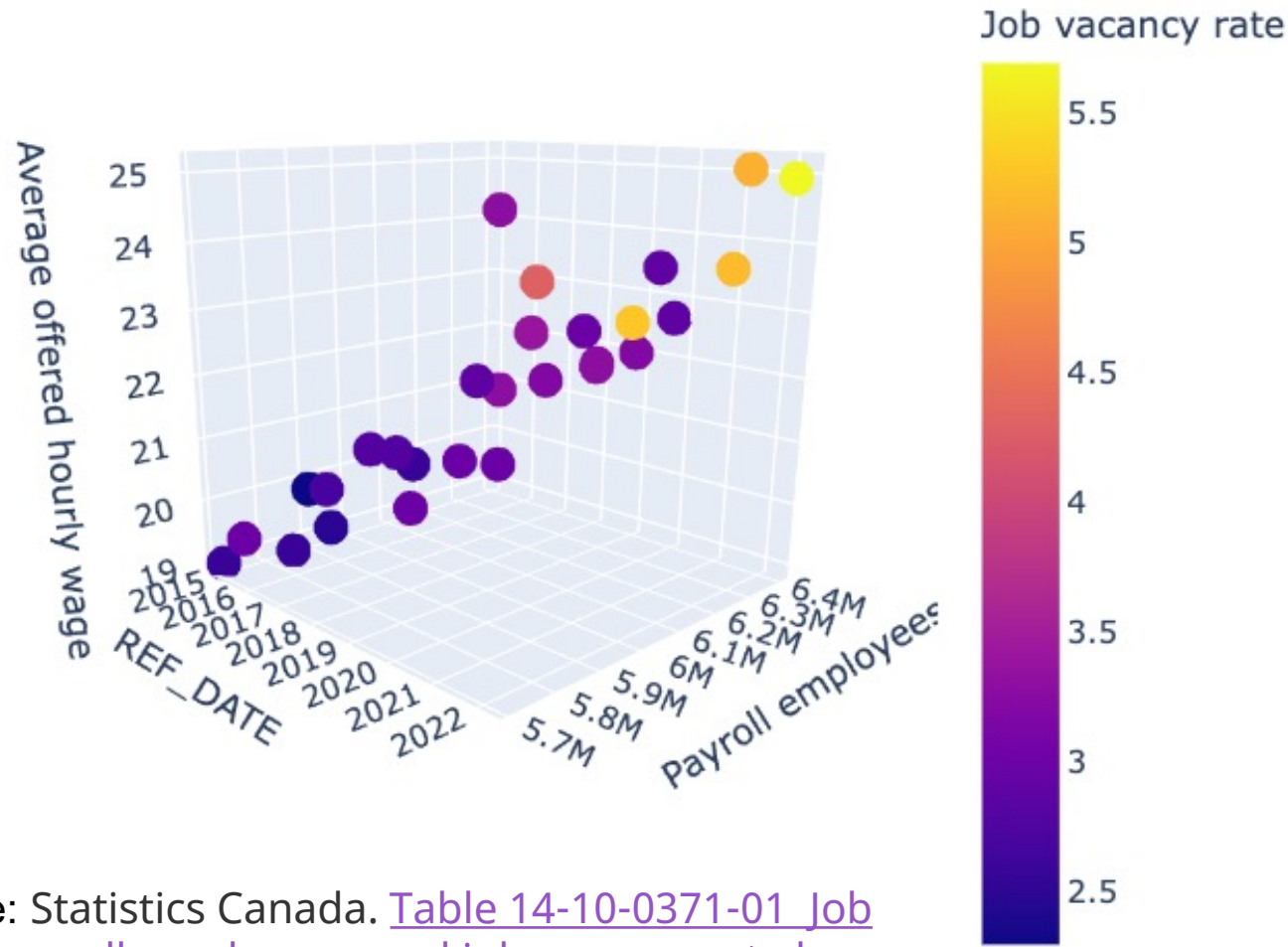
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Geography	Statistics	March 2022	April 2022	May 2022	June 2022	July 2022
Canada (map)	Number					
	Job vacancies ⁴	977,805 ^A	1,034,105 ^A	1,036,755 ^A	1,020,395 ^A	964,035 ^A
	Payroll employees ⁵	16,071,855 ^A	16,240,805 ^A	16,477,295 ^A	16,677,455 ^A	17,055,040 ^A
	Percentage					
	Job vacancy rate ²	5.7 ^A	6.0 ^A	5.9 ^A	5.8 ^A	5.4 ^A
Newfoundland and Labrador (map)	Number					
	Job vacancies ⁴	7,790 ^B	9,065 ^B	9,705 ^D	8,610 ^B	8,160 ^D
	Payroll employees ⁵	176,280 ^A	206,605 ^B	183,310 ^C	199,945 ^A	223,180 ^C
	Percentage					
	Job vacancy rate ²	4.2 ^B	4.2 ^C	5.0 ^D	4.1 ^B	3.5 ^D
Prince Edward Island (map)	Number					
	Job vacancies ⁴	3,190 ^D	4,195 ^C	5,570 ^E	3,510 ^D	2,320 ^E
	Payroll employees ⁵	60,590 ^B	61,430 ^A	64,435 ^A	71,000 ^A	73,880 ^A

Data source: Statistics Canada. [Table 14-10-0371-01 Job vacancies, payroll employees, and job vacancy rate by provinces and territories, monthly, unadjusted for seasonality](#)

Interactive 3D scatterplots



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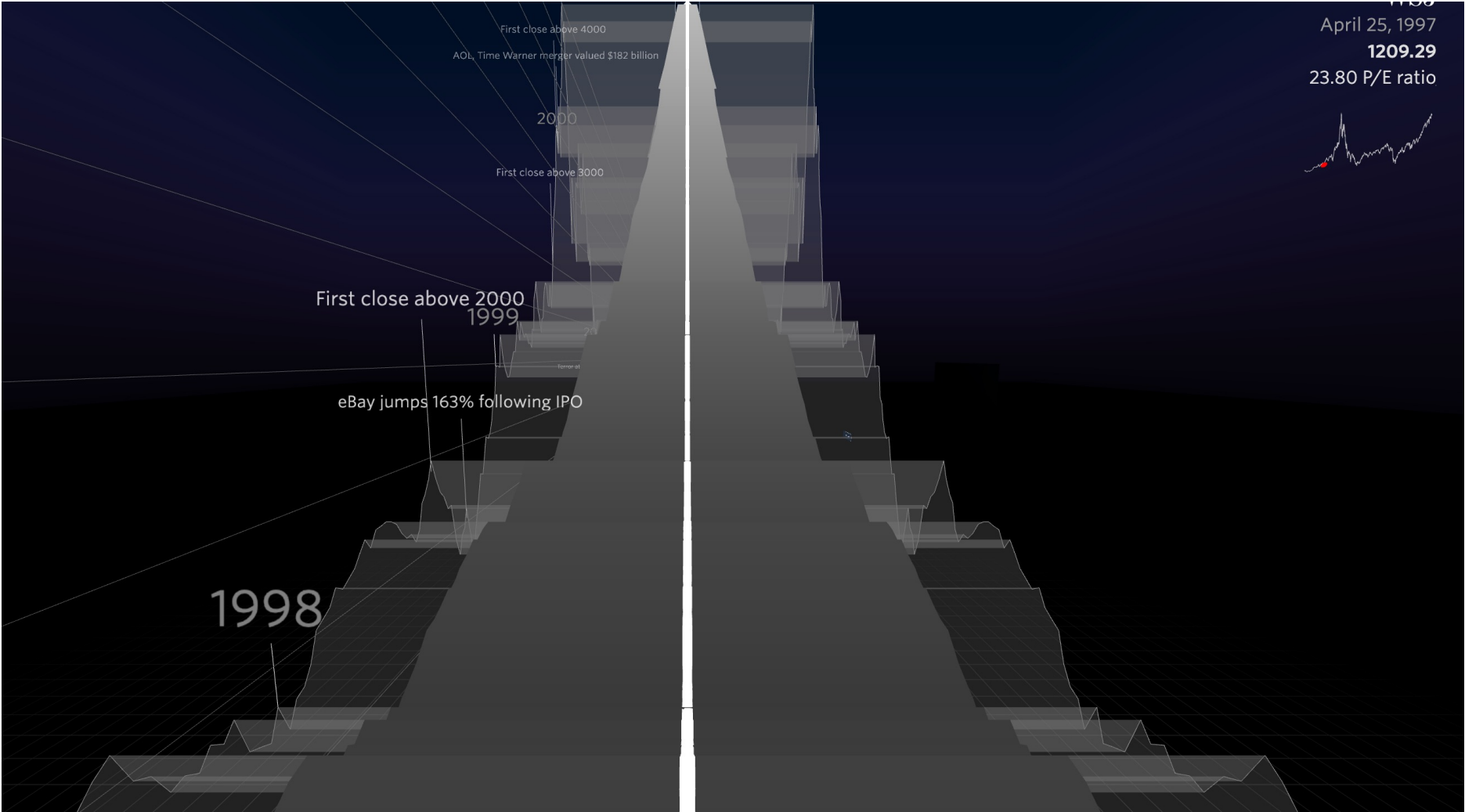
Best Practices and considerations

- 3-dimensional visualization on 3-dimensional data
- I.e. Data with 3 variables and their relationship is critical to the analysis

Although 3D graphs are relatively easy to produce with the aid of software it may not apply to printed publications.

Alternatively, consider using dashboard with multiple panels of 2D graphs

Virtual Reality



Kenny, R and Becker, A. A. (2015). Retrieved from <http://graphics.wsj.com/3d-nasdaq/>



Benefits of Virtual Reality



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- Multi-dimensional data analysis
- Much more workspace
- More natural interaction



Source: Sward, Z.M, qz.com, 2015



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Thank you!