

Introduction to data visualisation

Adam Frost – Content Director
@adamfrostuk

Tobias Sturt – Creative Director @skelington

@gDigitalAgency

LOVE

ANGER

DANGER

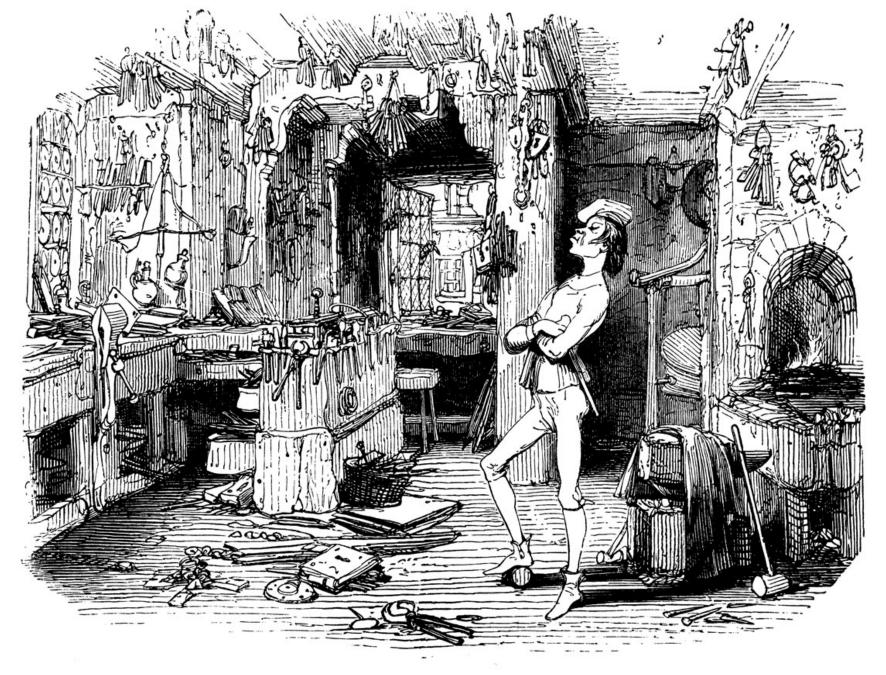
DANGER

DANGER!!!



DANGER

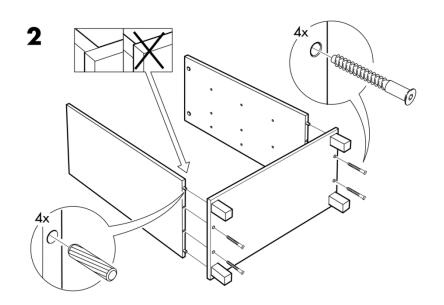
danger



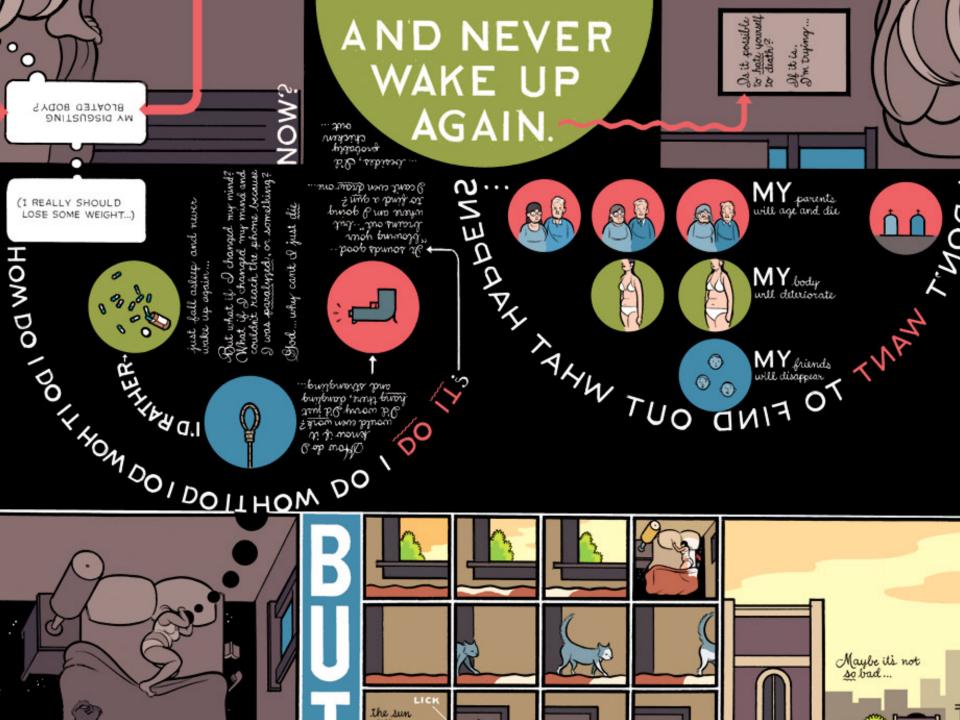
His lip began to curl; he smiled; uttering meanwhile with supreme contempt the monosyllable "Joe!"

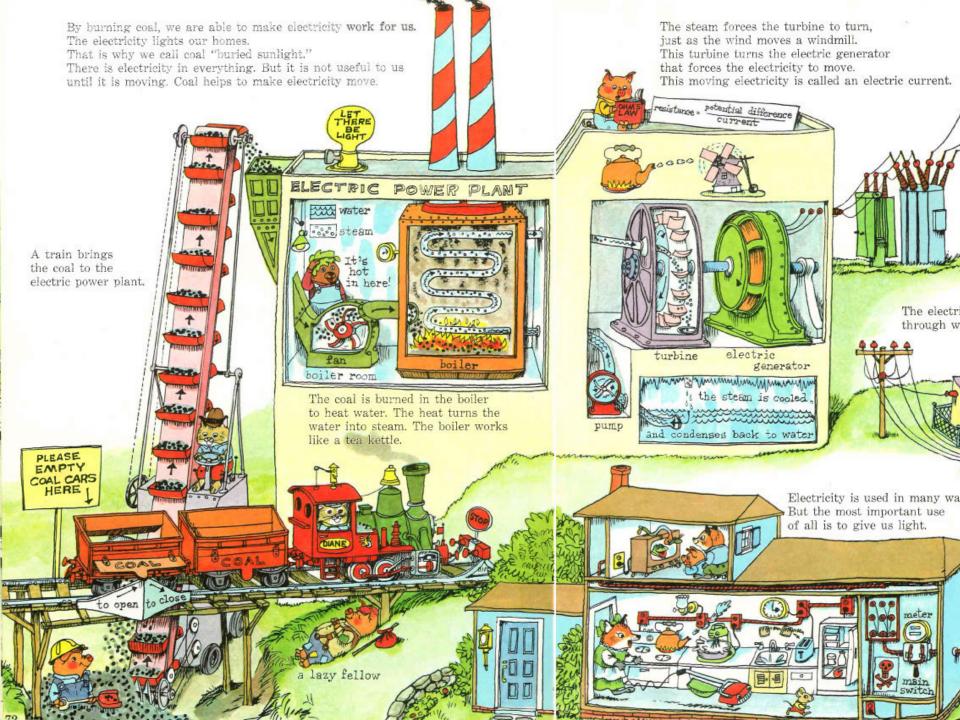


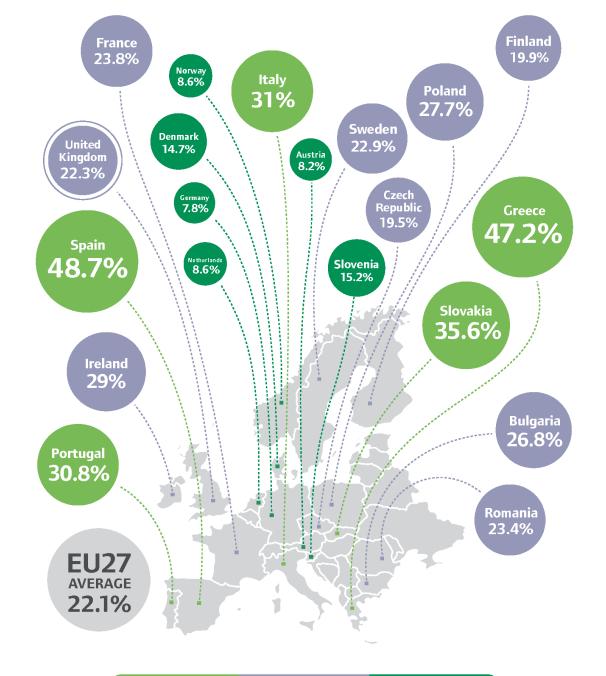










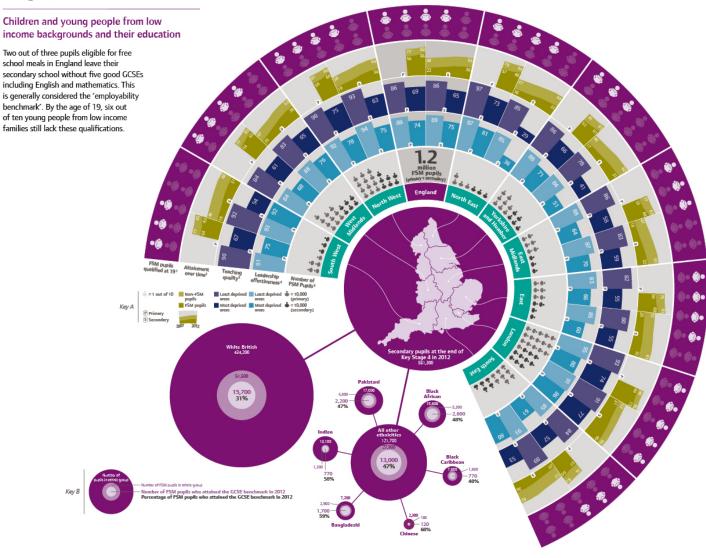


The average person only spent 50 seconds brushing this morning. They spent 50x longer on Facebook!

Average Recommended Facebook



Unseen children



London stands out

Pupils from low income families perform best in London, in both primary and secondary schools. Schools in London generally have strong leadership and teaching regardless of whether they serve the most or least deprived communities.

Poor families in rich areas

Pupils from low income families do particularly badly in some relatively affluent areas. Outcomes are worst in the South East, in both primary and secondary schools.

White British pupils

White British pupils are by far the largest disadvantaged group, accounting for around two thirds of all pupils from low income backgrounds. They are the lowest performing major ethnic group in GCSE exams.

Figure 1 1. Based on the percentage of FSM pupils at age 19 in each region that had qualified to Level 2 with English and mathematics.

2. Attainment at primary is the percentage of Key Stage 2 pupils attaining Level 4+ in English and mathematics. Attainment at secondary is the percentage of Key Stage 4 pupils attaining five GCSEs at A* to C grade including English and mathematics. Key Stage 2 attainment data for FSM and non-FSM pupils only available by region only from 2010.

3. Figures are the percentage of schools judged good or outstanding for the quality of teaching in each region.

4. Figures are the percentage of schools judged good or outstanding for leadership and management in each region.

5. The number of free school meal pupils is the total of all eligible pupils in primary and secondary schools as at the 2012 Annual School Census.

6. Ethnicity bubbles are based on the number of eligible free school meal pupils at the end of Key Stage 4 only.

7. Pupil numbers for ethnicity bubbles have been rounded to the nearest 10 if less than 1000, and to the nearest 100 if 1000 or over.

Source: Ofsted; Department for Education

Re entry 20000 15000 High Hypersonic Mach >10.0 10000 Hypersonic Mach 5.0-10.0 5000

NASA X-43A 7,546 MPH - 2004

UNMANNED SCRAMJET HYPERSONIC PLANE. THE FASTEST JET PROPELLED AIRCRAFT

X-15 ROCKET PLANE 5,519 MPH - 1967

THE ROCKET PROPELLED X-15 SET SPEED AND ALTITUDE RECORDS IN THE EARLY 1960S, REACHING THE EDGE OF OUTER SPACE. PILOTS INCLUDED NEIL ARMSTRONG

SR71 BLACKBIRD 2,194 MPH - 1976

FASTEST MANNED JET POWERED AIRCRAFT

EUROFIGHTER - TYPHOON 1550 MPH - 1994

THE WORLD'S MOST ADVANCED COMBAT AIRCRAFT JOINTLY DEVELOPED BY UK, SPAIN, GERMANY AND ITALY

CONCORDE 1,450 MPH - 1969

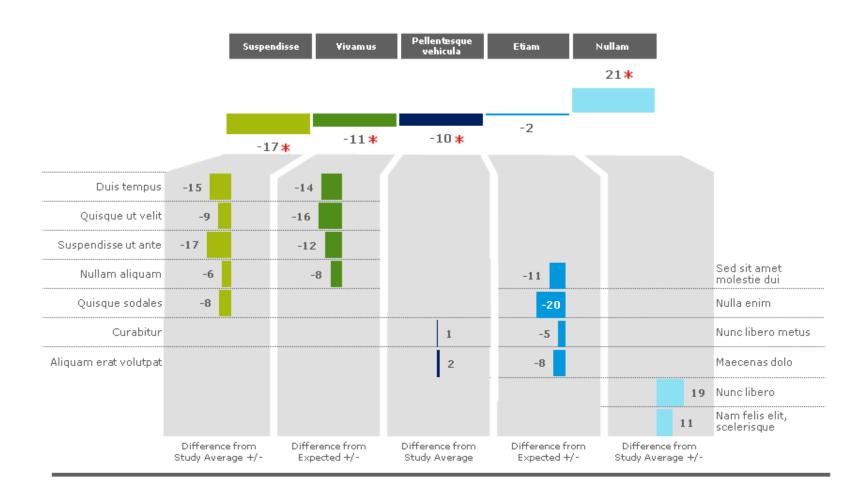
TURBOJET-POWERED SUPERSONIC PASSENGER AIRLINER RUNNING COMMERCIAL FLIGHTS FOR 27 YEARS

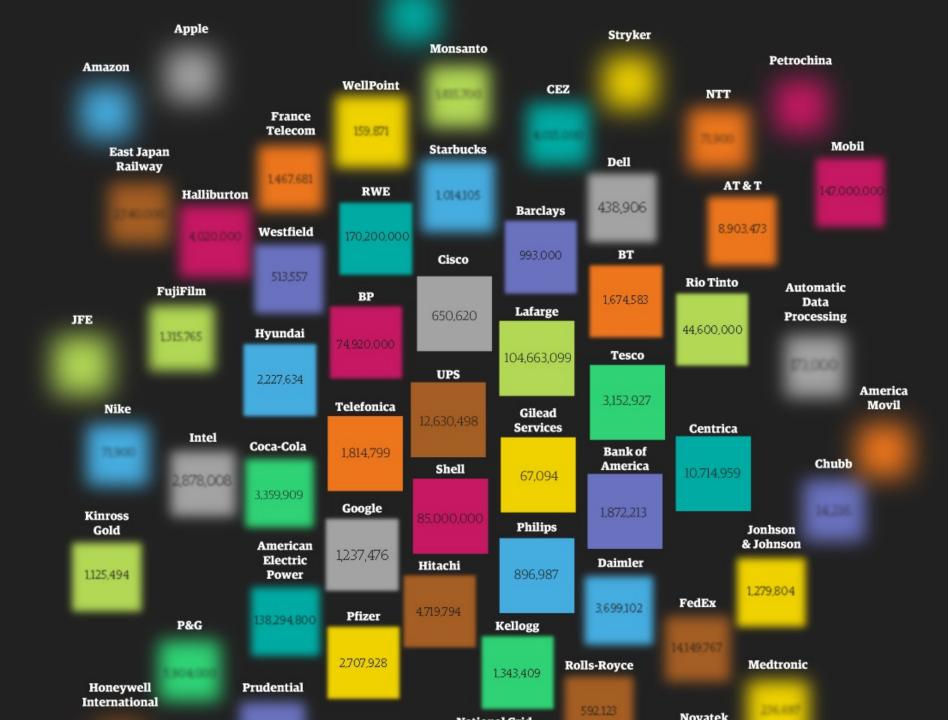
THRUST SSC 763 MPH - 1997

A BRITISH JET-PROPELLED CAR BECAME THE FIRST CAR TO OFFICIALLY BREAK THE SOUND BARRIER

COMMERCIAL FLIGHT 600 MPH

CRUISE SPEED OF A COMMERCIAL PASSENGER AIRCRAFT



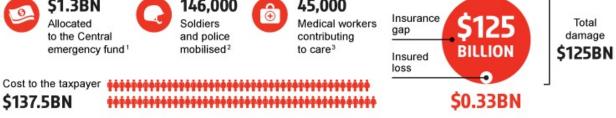




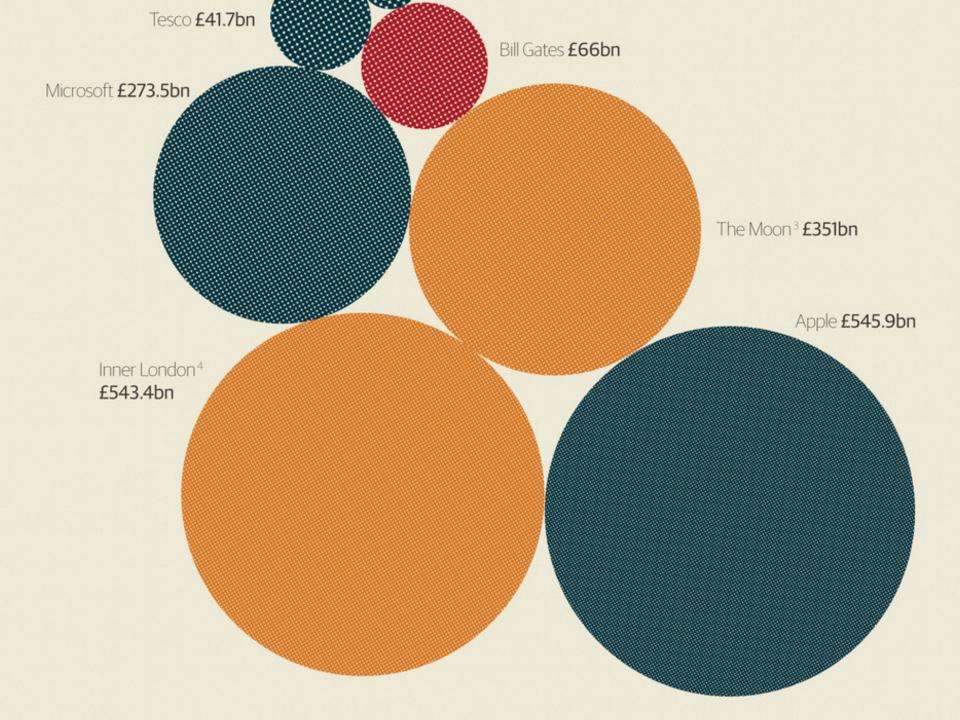
A TALE OF TWO ECONOMIES

How much did it cost each country to rebuild?

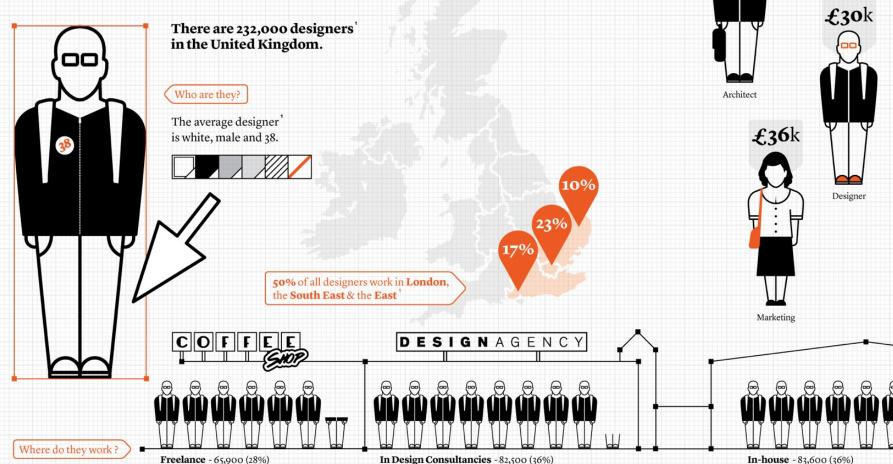






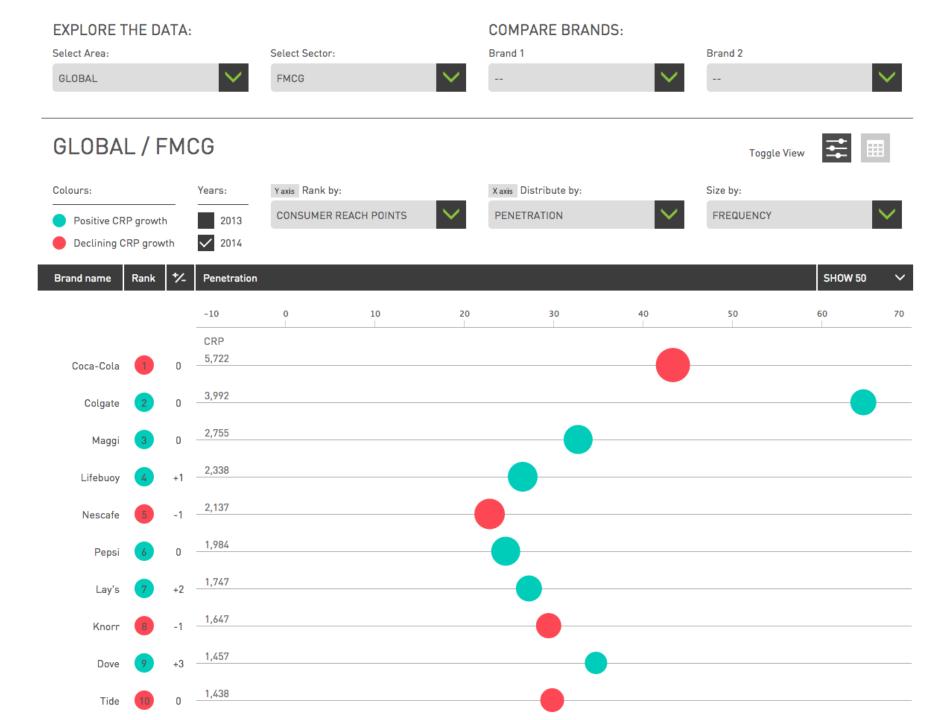






£38k

How do they compare with other professions? ⁴ (average salary for mid-level roles)





Data Visualisation

Merge form and function to create outstanding infographics.

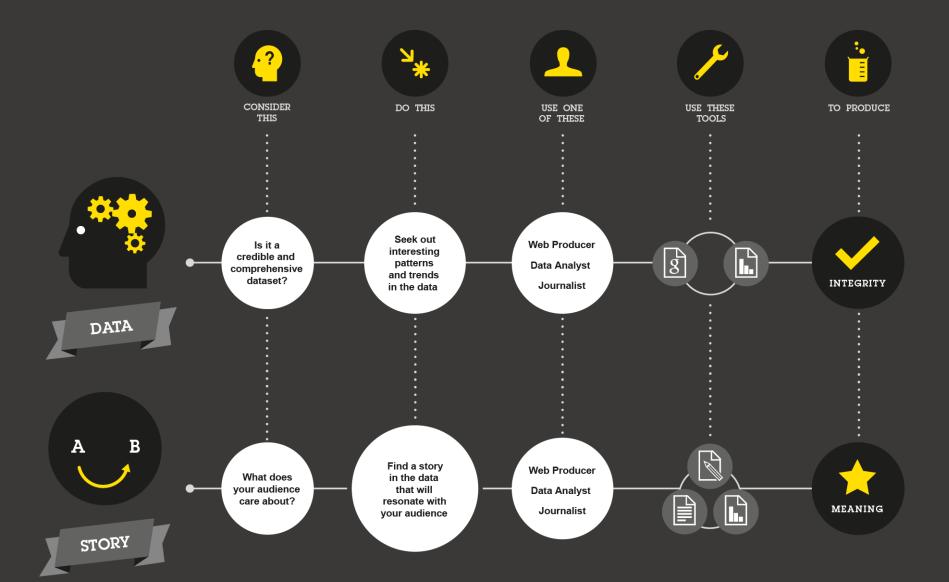


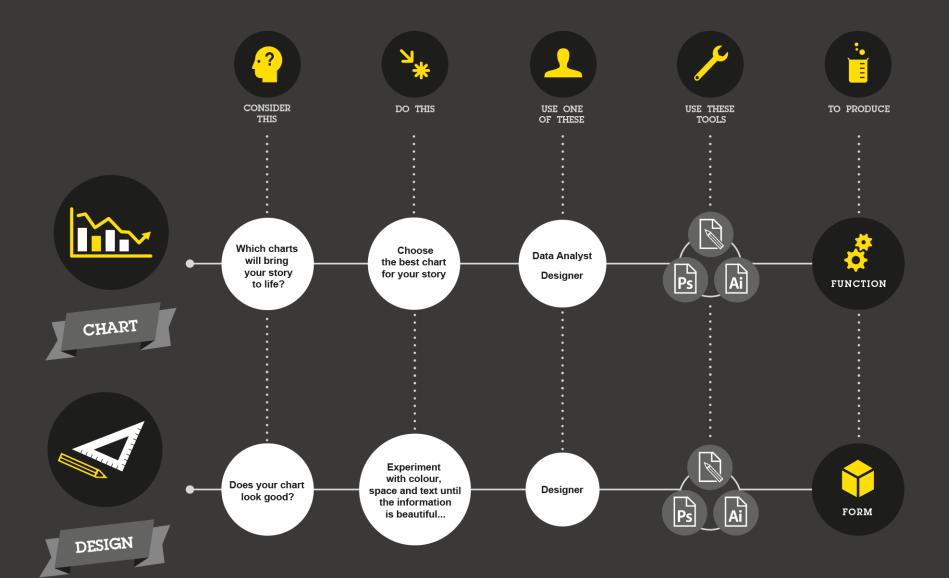












That's Not The Way I See It...

There are many different approaches to data visualisation - but two in particular have generated the most discussion.

Edward Tufte favours a traditional statistics-based approach, favouring clarity and accuracy.

David McCandless is more interested in teasing stories out of data and then making them as visually appealing as possible.





Tufte

McCandless

Evidence

The author of Beautiful Evidence believes that if you notice the chart first and not the data - then you've failed.



Information

His book Information is Beautiful is an attempt to apply graphic design principles to data journalism.





Tufte

McCandless

Theorist

He has spent most of his life in Universities, in particular Yale and Princeton.



Practitioner

He writes blogs and produces infographics for a range of publications, including the Guardian and Wired.

Present all data to show top-level trends



Selective use of data to guide reader to key story

Never cheat data



Tweak visuals if it makes the story clearer





Tufte

McCandless

Design should be minimal or invisible



Design should be used to emphasise the story

First loyalty is to data



First loyalty is to audience

Loved by academics and statisticians



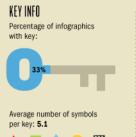
Loved by journalists and graphic designers

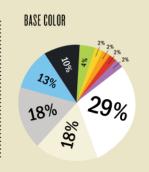
INFOGRAPHIC INFOGRAPHICS

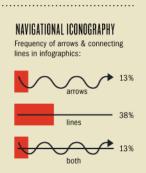
Data visualization is a popular new way of sharing research. Here is a look at some of the visual devices, informational elements, and general trends found in the modern day infographic.

DESIGN

CHART STYLE Percentage of infographics with the following charts: Sans Serif Sans Serif Condensed Sans Serif Pie Chart Pictoral Chart Line Chart Bar Chart







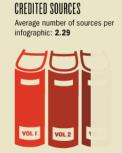
CONTENT





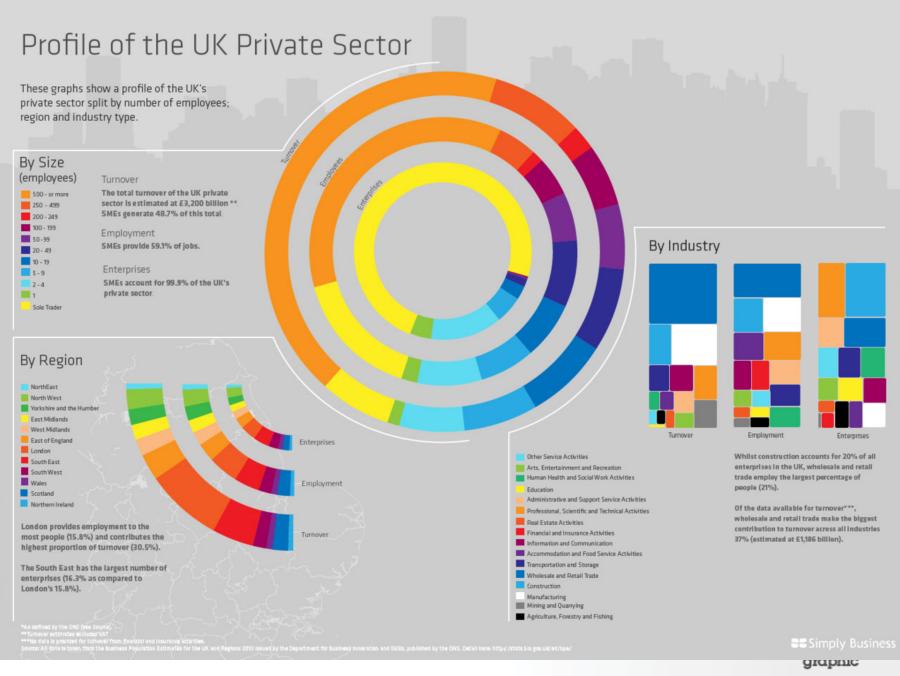
TITLE





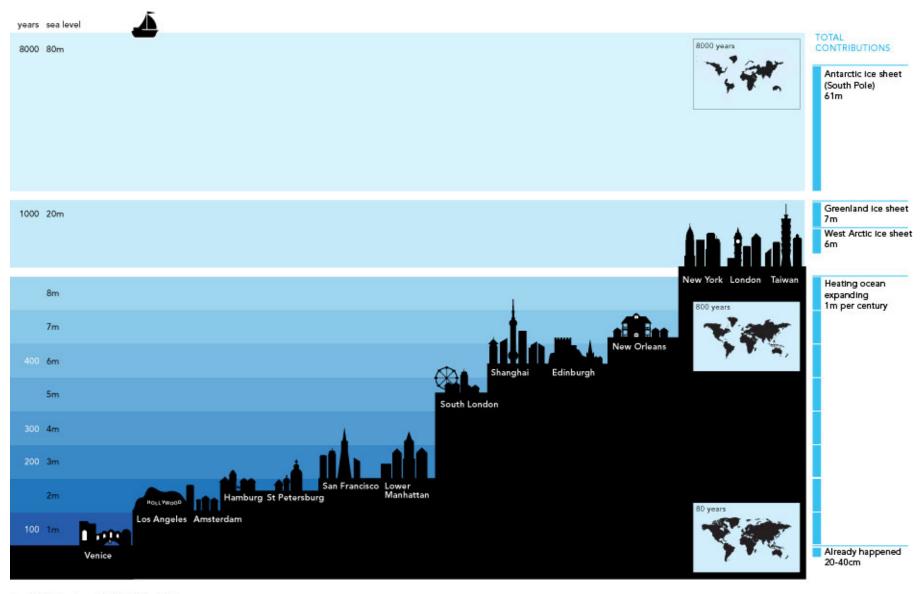
"RICHEST
AND POOREST
AMERICAN
NEIGH

Average number of words per



When Sea Levels Attack!

Which cities will flood when?



David McCandless // v1.0 // Jan 2010 Illustrations: Laura Sullivan & Joe Swainson

InformationIsBeautiful.net

note: Heights above sea level vary across cities. Lowest points used. source: IPCC, NASA, NewScientist.com, Potsdam Institute, Sea Level Explorer

The True Size of Africa

Graphic layout for visualization only (some countries are cut and rotated) But the conclusions are very accurate: refer to table below for exact data

COUNTRY	AREA x 1000 km ²	
China	9.597	
USA	9.629	
India	3.287	
Mexico	1.964	
Peru	1.285	
France	633	
Spain	506	
Papua New Guinea	462	
Sweden	441	
Japan	378	
Germany	357	
Norway	324	
Italy	301	
New Zealand	270	
United Kingdom	243	
Nepal	147	
Bangladesh	144	
Greece	132	
TOTAL	30.102	
AFRICA	30.221	

NETHERLANDS BELGIUM **PORTUGAL** FRANCE **UNITED STATES** CHINA

In addition to the well known social issues of *illiteracy* and *innumeracy*, there also should be such a concept as "immappancy", meaning insufficient geographical knowledge.

A survey with random American schoolkids let them guess the population and land area of their country. Not entirely unexpected, but still rather unsettling, the majority chose "1-2 billion" and "largest in the world", respectively.

Even with Asian and European college students, geographical estimates were often off by factors of 2-3. This is partly due to the highly distorted nature of the predominantly used mapping projections (such as Mercator).

A particularly extreme example is the worldwide misjudgement of the true size of Africa. This single image tries to embody the massive scale, which is larger than the USA, China, India, Japan and all of Europe...... combined!

Top 100 Countries

Area in square kilometers, Percentage of World Total Sources: Britannica, Wikipedia, Almanac 2010

SWITZERLAND

EASTERN

EUROPE

Inited States	9.629.091	6,40
Brazil	8.514.877	5,70
Australia	7.692.024	5,20
India	3.287.263	2,30
Argentina Kazakhstan	2.780.400 2.724.900	1,80
Sudan	2.505.813	1,70
Algeria	2.381.741	1,60
Congo	2.344.858	1,60
Greenland	2.166.086	1,50
Saudi Arabia	2.149.690	1.40
Mexico	1.964.375	1,30
Indonesia	1.860.360	1,30
Libya	1.759.540	1,20
Iran	1.628.750	1,10
Mongolia	1.564.100	1,10
Peru	1.285.216 1.284.000	0,86
Chad Niger	1.284.000	0,86
Angola	1.246.700	0,85 0,85
Mali	1.240.192	0,83
South Africa	1.221.037	0.82
Colombia	1.141.748	0,76
Ethiopia	1.104.300	0,74
Bolivia	1.098.581	0,74
Mauritania	1.025.520	0,69
Egypt	1.002.000	0,67
Tanzania	945.087	0,63
Nigeria	923.768	0,62
Venezuela	912.050	0,61
Namibia	824.116 801.590	0,55 0,54
Mozambique Pakistan	796.095	0,54
Turkey	783.562	0,53
Chile	756.102	0,51
Zambia	752.612	0,51
Myanmar	676.578	0,45
Afghanistan	652.090	0,44
Somalia	637.657	0,43
France	632.834	0,43
African Rep	622.984	0,42
Ukraine Madagascar	603.500 587.041	0,41
Botswana	582.000	0,39
Kenya	580.367	0,39
Yemen	527.968	0,35
Thailand	513.120	0,34
Spain	505.992	0,34
urkmenistan	488.100	0,33
Cameroon	475.442	0,32
New Guinea	462.840	0,31
Uzbekistan	447.400	0,30
Morocco Sweden	446.550 441.370	0,30
Iraq	438.317	0,30
Paraguay	406.752	0,27
Zimbabwe	390.757	0,26
Japan	377.930	0.25
Germany	357.114	0,24
ep o.t. Congo	342.000	0,23
Finland	338.419	0,23
Vietnam	331.212	0,22
Malaysia	330.803	0,22
Norway Côte d'Ivoire	323.802 322.463	0,22
Poland	312.685	0,22
Oman	309.500	0,21
Italy	301.336	0,20
Philippines	300.000	0,20
Burkina Faso	274.222	0,18
New Zealand	270.467	0,18
Gabon	267.668	0,18
stern Sahara	266.000	0,18
Ecuador	256.369	0.20
Guinea	245.857	0,17
ed Kingdom	242.900	0,16
Uganda Ghana	241.038 238.539	0,16
Romania	238.539	0,16 0,16
Laos	236.800	0,16

214.969

207.600

196.722 185.180 181.035

176.215 163.820

147.181 143.998 143.100

131.957 130.373

120,538

117.600

132.632.524

Kyrgyzstan

North Korea

Eritrea

0,16 0,14

0,14

0,13 0,13 0,12

0,12 0,12 0,11

0,10

0,10 0,09

0,09

0.08

AREA km²

17.098.242

9.984.670

9.596.961

9.629.091

United States

6,70 6,40

6,40



United States



Europe

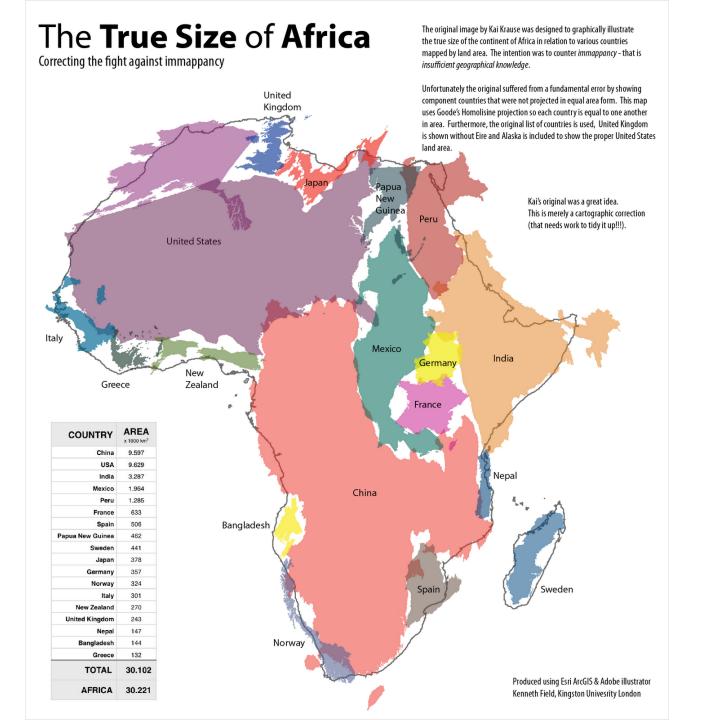


India



Japan





Scale states equally

Scale states by population

Mhere your friends live

Connect to Facebook to see the rights of states where your friends live. Your information will not be saved.

f Share your state on Facebook

You are not connected to Facebook.

Minnesota

2010 population: 5,303,925

Marriage: Same-sex marriage is illegal or banned.

Hospital visitation: Allows designated visitors.

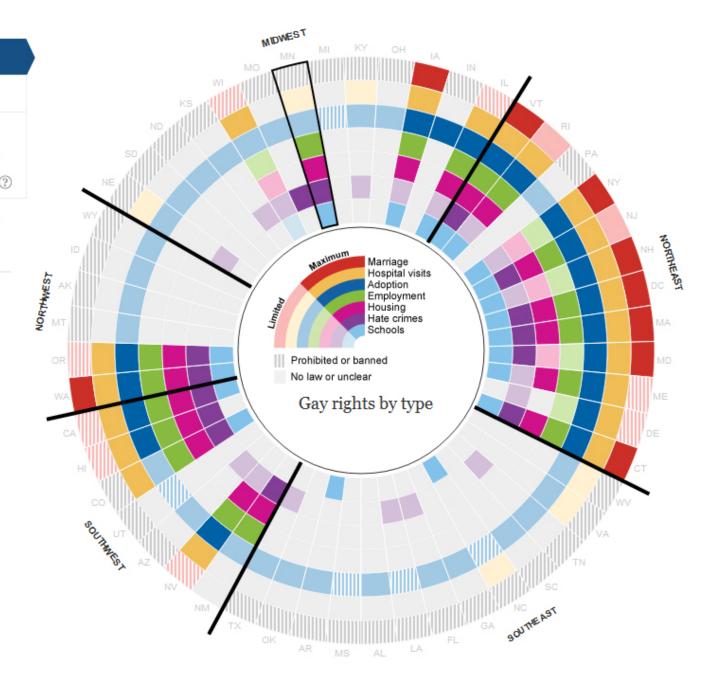
Adoption: Allows adoption by a single person.

Employment: Prohibits discrimination based on gender identity and sexual orientation.

Housing: Prohibits discrimination based on gender identity and sexual orientation.

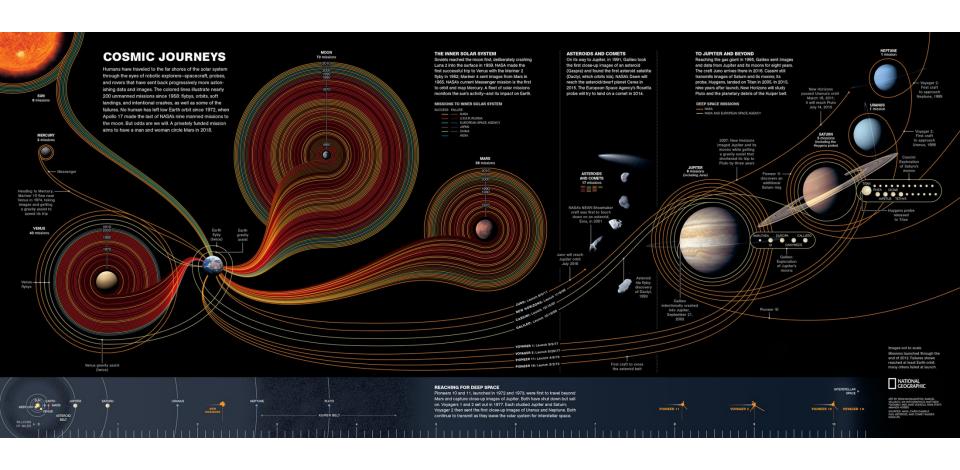
Hate crimes: Law addresses hate crimes related to gender identity and sexual orientation.

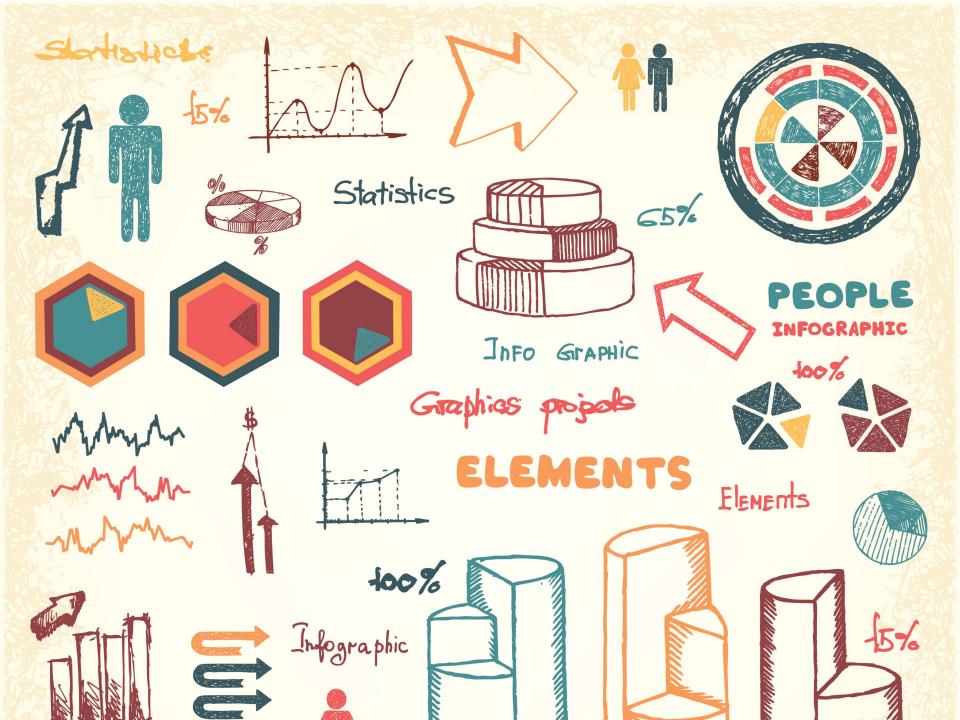
Schools: Prohibits harassment based on gender identity and sexual orientation.



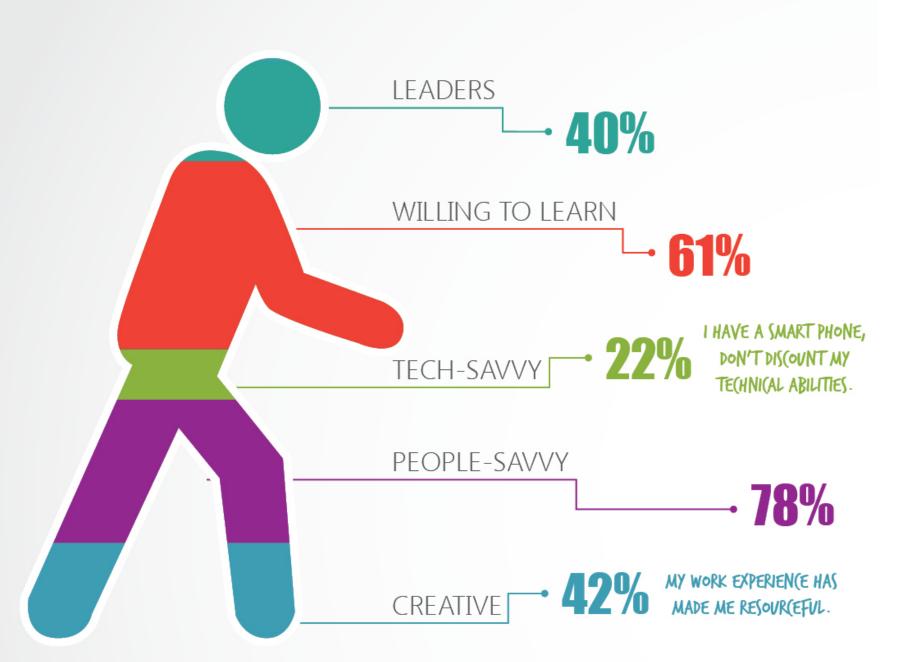


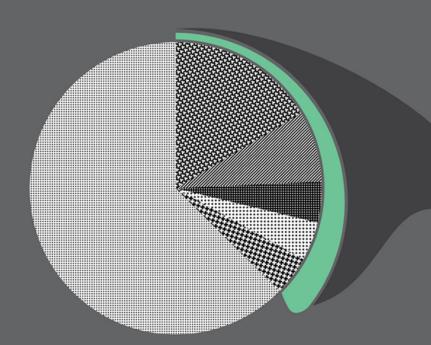






HOW BABY BOOMERS DESCRIBE THEMSELVES

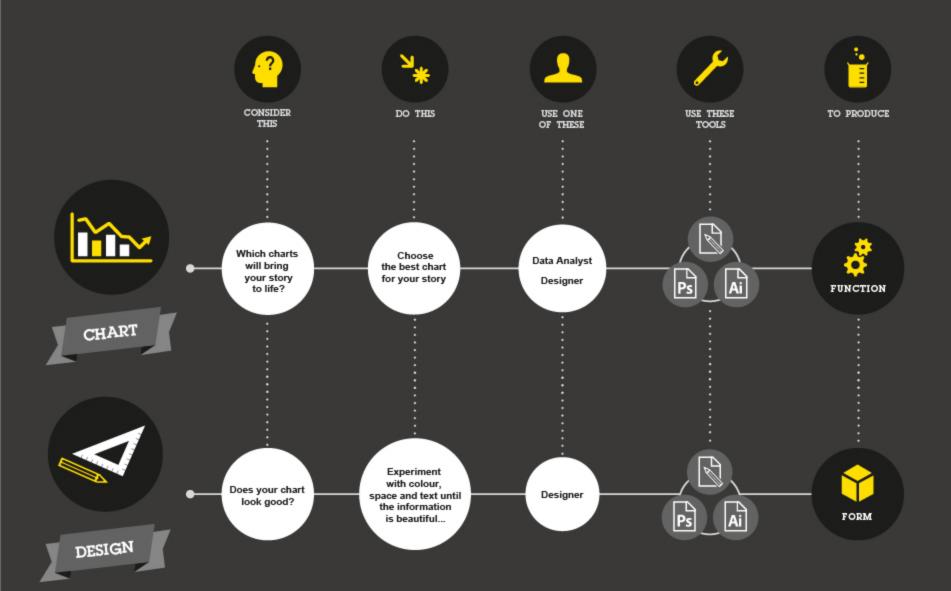


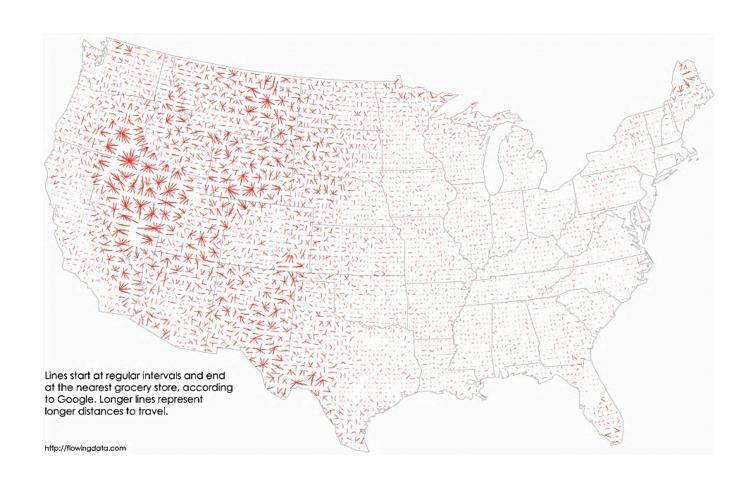


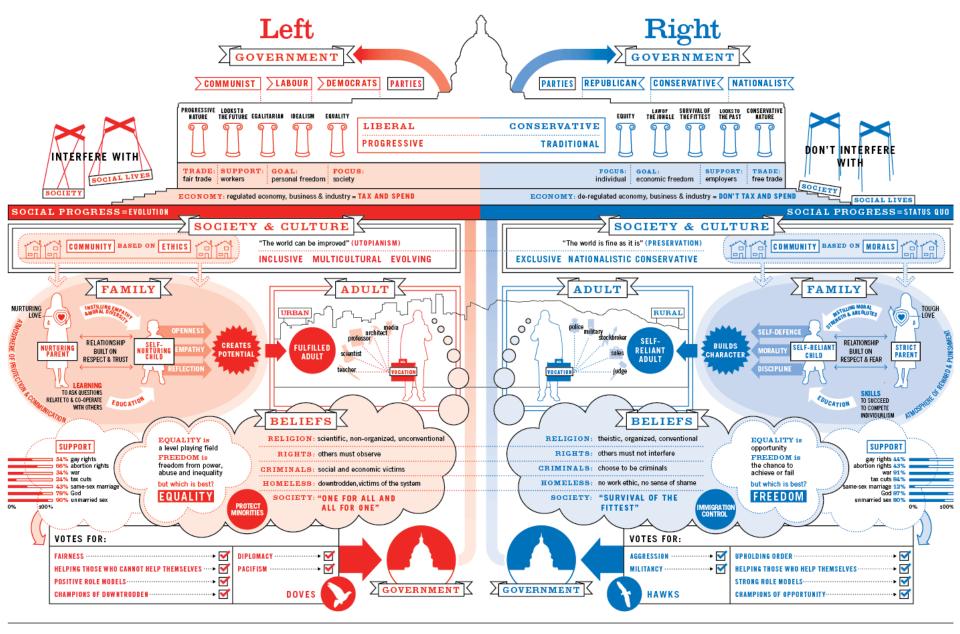
JUST FIVE CHUNTRIES CHUTRHL HVER A THIRD HF THE MURLD BARK

Rather than one member, one vote, the World Bank is controlled by the five largest shareholding countries: the United States, Japan, Germany, France and UK. Rich nations set the agenda and loans are provided on conditions that favour those in control.









David McCandless & Stefanie Posavec // v1.0 // Oct 09
InformationIsBeautiful.net / ItsBeenReal.co.uk

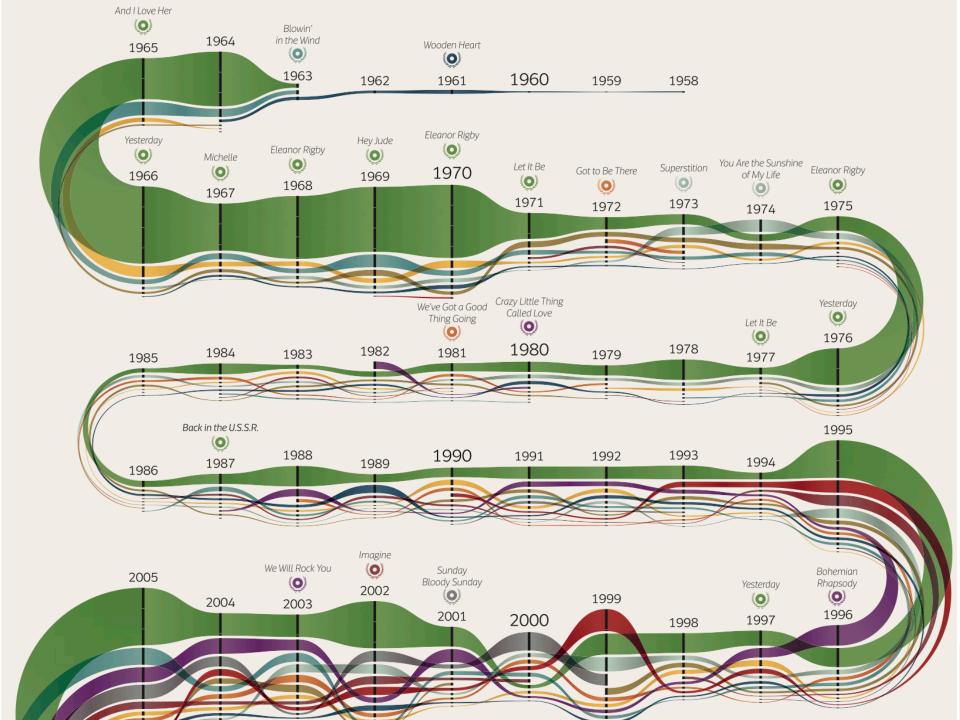
Order a signed, limited edition poster

A1 size, offset-litho on 300 gsm art paper Translation: "It's gorgeous". Find out more

INEVITABLE CAPITALIST AGENDA

from the new infographic book of visual exploria

The Visual Miscellaneum



UK Data Explorer

Census 2011: Wards in London

- View another region or all of England.
- More interactive maps from UK Data Explorer

Choose a variable:

Unemployed: Age 16 to 24 (Percentage)

% Unamployed: Age 16 to 24 As a proportion of: All female usual residents aged 16 to 74

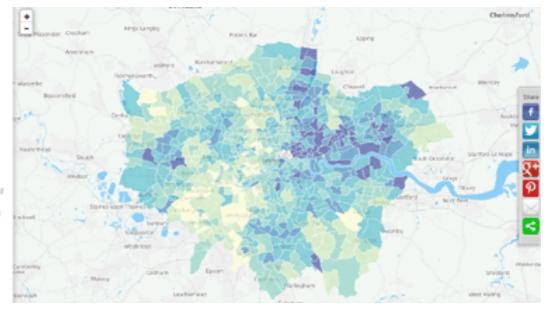
04 94 09 12 14

III hat available due to email population

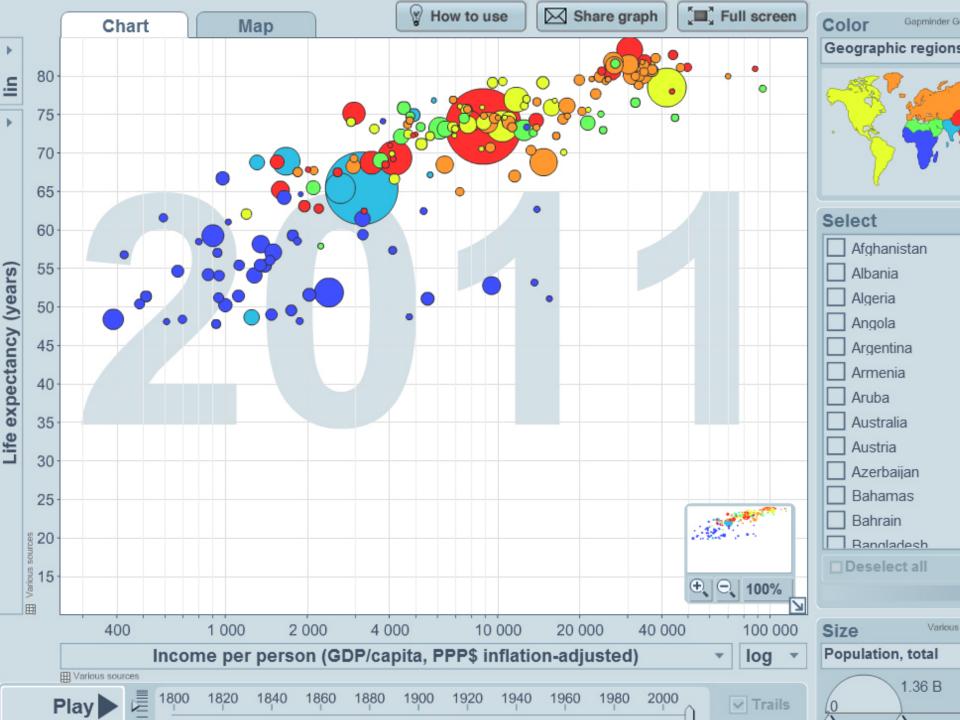
The Siza for this may was downloaded in it, using a goot bood on code from Alex Singlaton's **Open Alex Project.** The Open Alex Impact provides a book of mace for each local authority area in Lingland and Walles, at a much their level of geographical estal than the regio on this cape.

See also the visualisations at the Office for National Statistics' 2011 Conque interactive section. The maps marked significant include data at a high level of geographical detail (upon level).

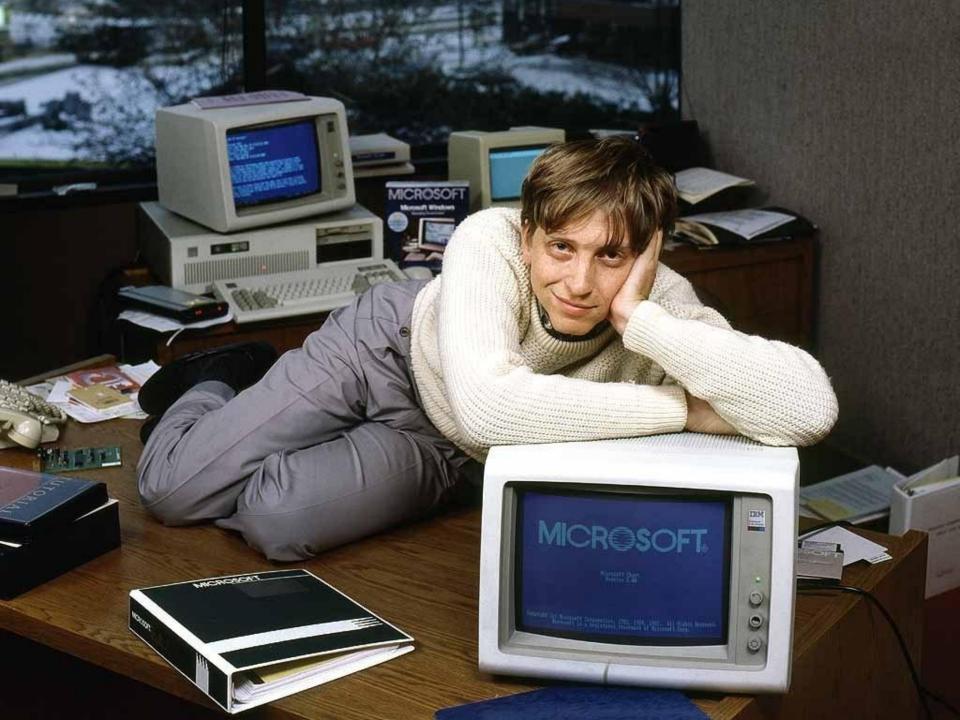
bots: Adapted from data from the Office for hosterial stateous termed under the Open Government Licence x.i.d.. The duta was downloaded from the Key Stateous scales on Borns. The boundance are from a generated (ampified) file from the DRS Open Geography Perts.

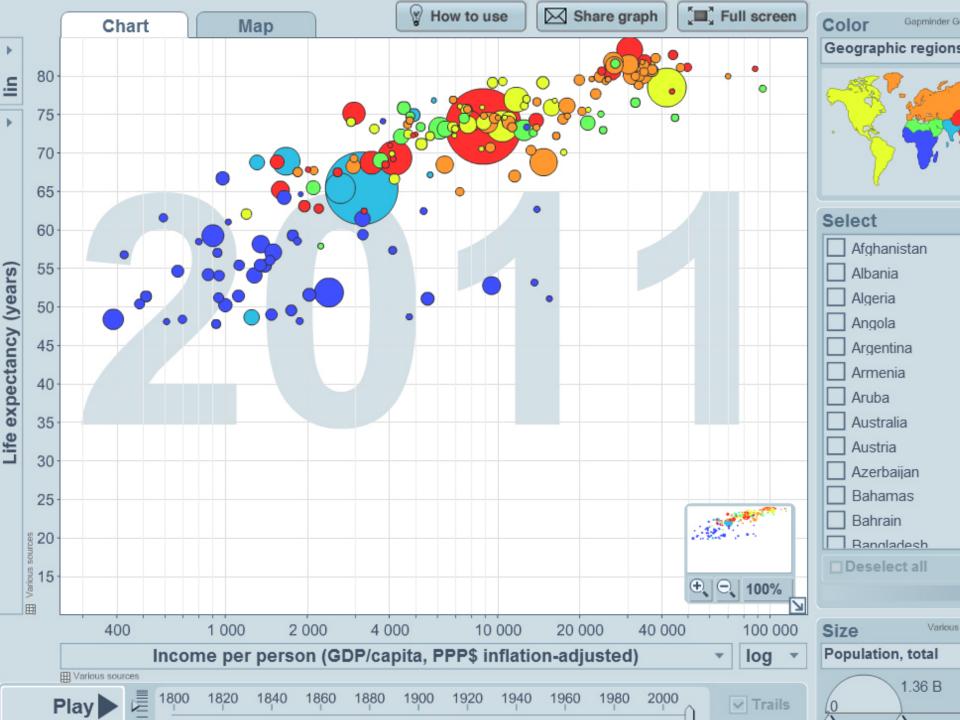


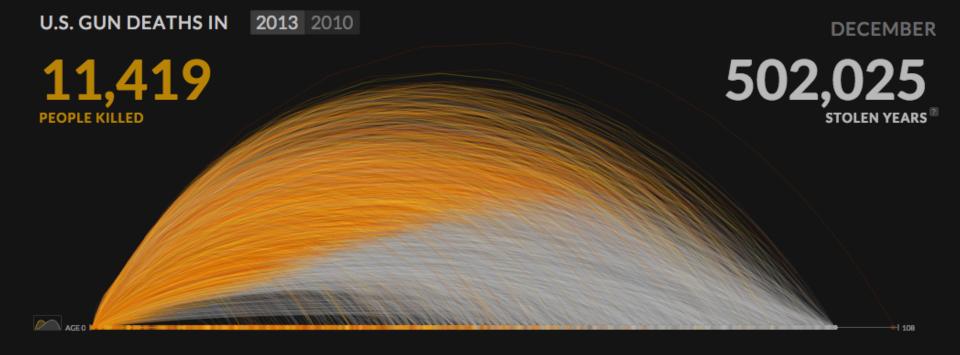












Political Climate

Every election cycle has its own issue; what Americans care about is constantly changing. Every January, the Pew Research Center for the People and the Press surveys Americans about what their top political priorities are for the year. These are their answers, going back to 2001.

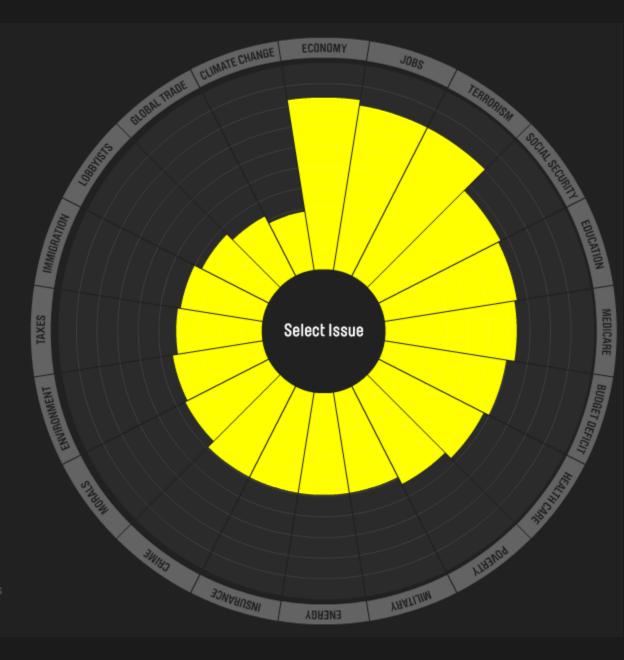
Select Year



Select Party



SOURCE The Pew Research Center for the People and the Press A collaboration between GOOD and Hyperakt





common co

Key blogs & bloggers

flowingdata.com
www.informationisbeautifulawards.com
www.fastcodesign.com
www.visualisingdata.com

Guardian and New York Times data blogs, Washington Post, The Economist, The FT (behind paywall)

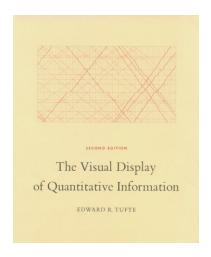
Five Thirty Eight, The NYT's Upshot, Vox

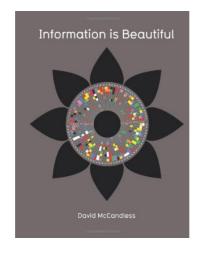
Design inspiration: www.behance.net

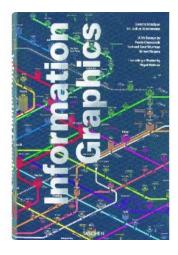
Design desperation: wtfviz.net

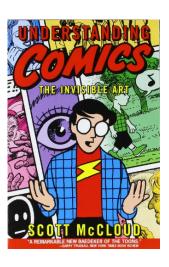


Some good books



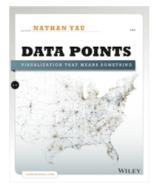


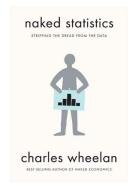


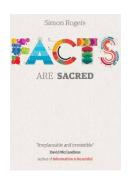














Other good books

How to...

The Functional Art by Alberto Cairo
A Kidd's Guide to Graphic Design by Chip Kidd
The Information Design Workbook by Kim Baer
Infographics - The Power of Visual Storytelling by Jason Lankow et al (Column Five)

Best practice examples

The Best American Infographics 2013 by Gareth Cook
Visual Storytelling: Inspiring a new visual language (Gestalten)
Understanding the World by Sandra Rengren
Around the World - The Atlas for Today (Gestalten)
Knowledge is Beautiful by David McCandless
London - The Information Capital by James Cheshire and Oliver Uberti

Miscellaneous Dataclysm by Christian Rudder Just My Type by Simon Garfield



Follow...

Alberto Cairo: @albertocairo

Conrad Hackett: @conradhackett

Tim Harford: @TimHarford Simon Rogers: @smfrogers Alan Smith: @theboysmithy

Journalists who tweet about data/tech: @MonaChalabi, @jamesrbuk, @olivia_solon, @helenlewis, @jimwaterson

Full Fact: @FullFact

Plus Twitter accounts of Guardian Data blog, Five Thirty Eight, Vox, Upshot, NYT Graphics, Ampp3d



Resources & Tools

Design:

Illustrator / InDesign / Photoshop
(http://www.adobe.com/uk/products/creativecloud.html)

Inkscape (http://www.inkscape.org/en/)

Resources:

Colour: http://kuler.adobe.com/ Icons: http://thenounproject.com/ Fonts: https://www.google.com/fonts

Charts: http://www.datavizcatalogue.com/ Javascript: http://www.codecademy.com/

For data:

http://data.gov.uk/

http://www.statistics.gov.uk/hub/index.html

http://data.un.org/

http://data.worldbank.org/ http://data.london.gov.uk/



Software & charting libraries

Interactive charts:

- datawrapper.de
- Google charts
- Maps: Google Fusion tables/CartoDB

Infographics:

- infogr.am
- piktochart.com

Charting tools:

- Raw: app.raw.densitydesign.org
- Datavisual: datavisu.al

Site

- shorthand.com/social
- strikingly.com
- sway.com

Dashboards:

- tableausoftware.com
- qlik.com
- powerbi.microsoft.com

Javascript Libraries:

- highcharts.com
- d3js.org



Bye... for now

If you write down one URL, write down this one:

https://goo.gl/dsG9bj

dadatavis.tumblr.com

Tobias Sturt
@skelington | tobias.sturt@graphicdigitalagency.com

Adam Frost
@adamfrostuk | adam.frost@gmail.com

graphic

Contact

info@graphicdigitalagency.com @gDigitalAgency 0203 126 3506

Address

4 Millbank London SW1