

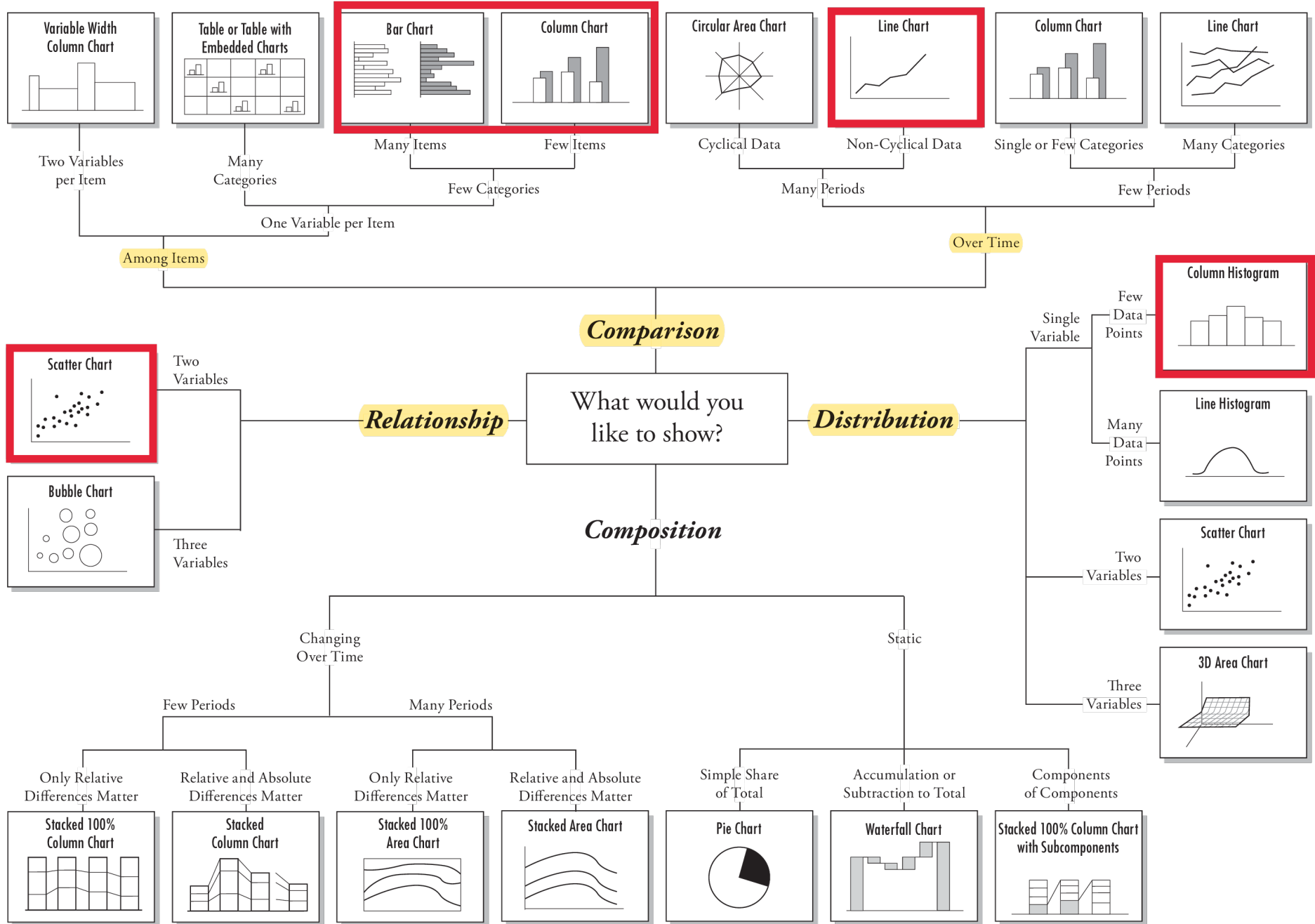


EMIS/DS 1300: A Practical Introduction to Data Science

Data Visualization

Slides by Michael Hahsler

Chart Suggestions—A Thought-Starter





Important Components of Visualization

Components

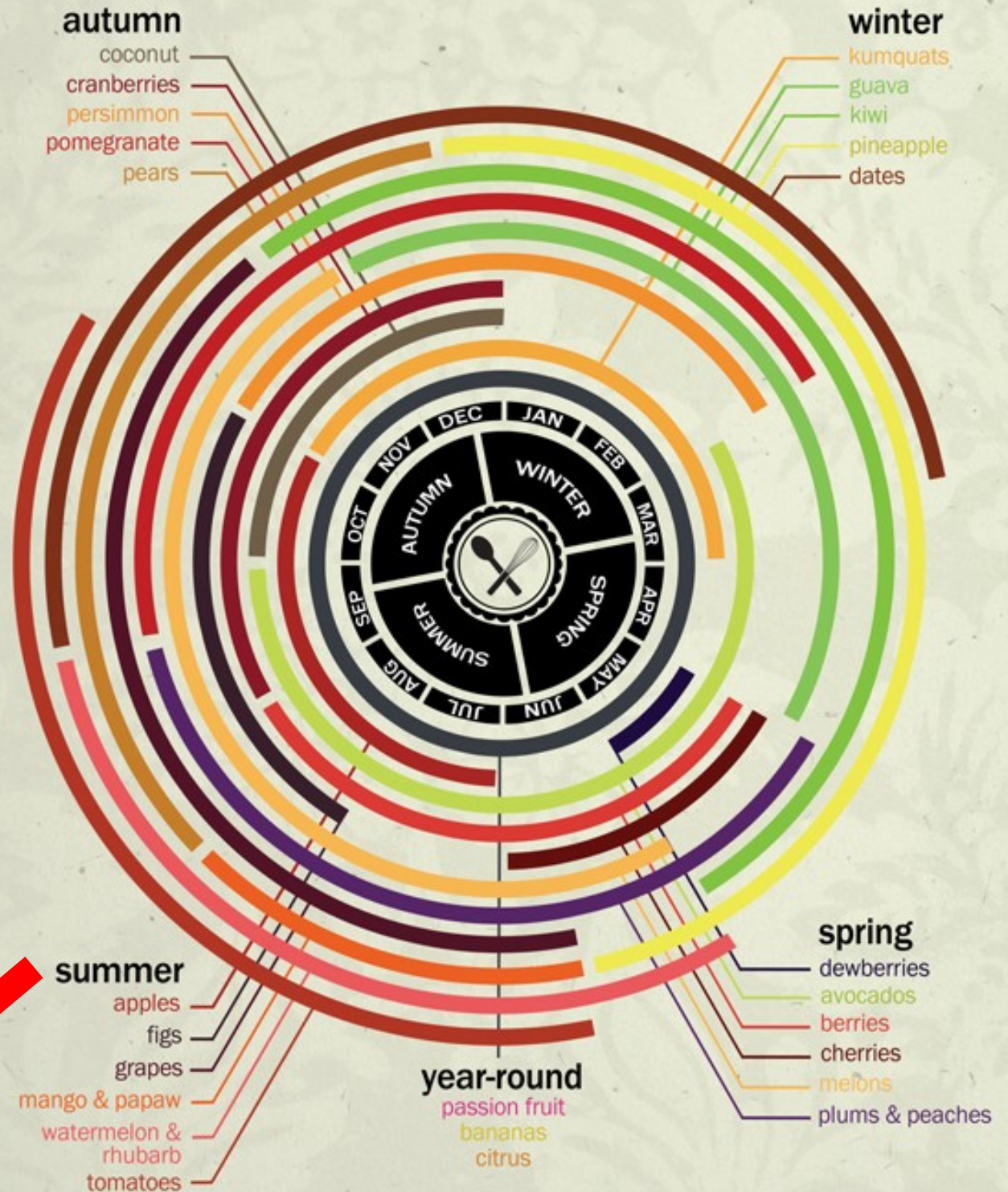
- **Symbols:** Circles, dots, lines, bars, ...
- **Position:** Axes (labels and units) and the origin (0/0) are important.
- **Length, Size and Area:** Should only be used if it faithfully represents information.
- **Color:** A color should not overpower another. Limit to 3 or 4 colors.
- **Angle:** Human eyes are not good at comparing angles!

Goals

- All components of the plot need to convey information. E.g., do not use color just to make it more colorful.
- Good visualizations show patterns clearly and need little explanation.

Data Visualization

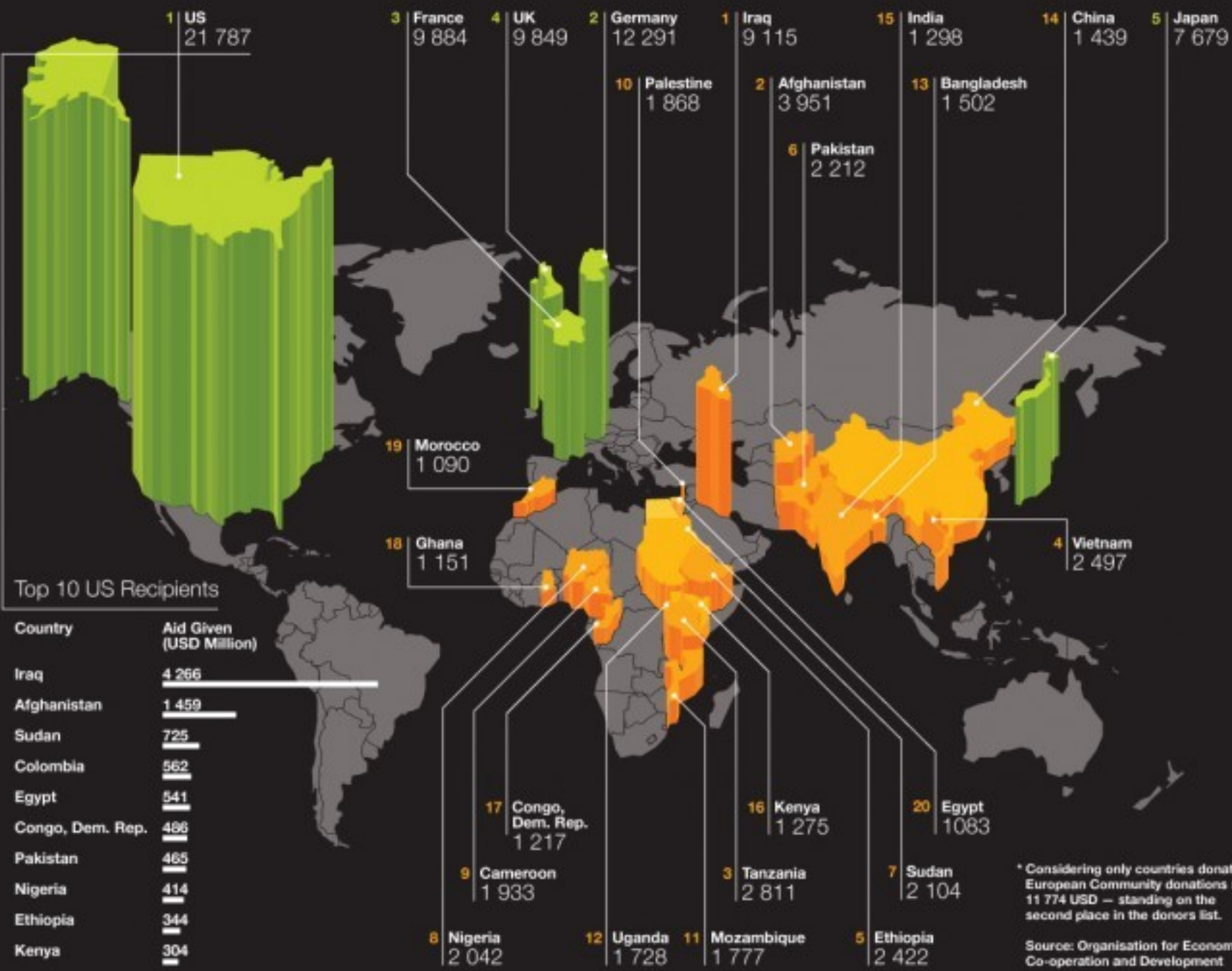
Information visualization is a field of its own.



Eat fruits when they are in season!!!

Developmental Aid Flows around the World

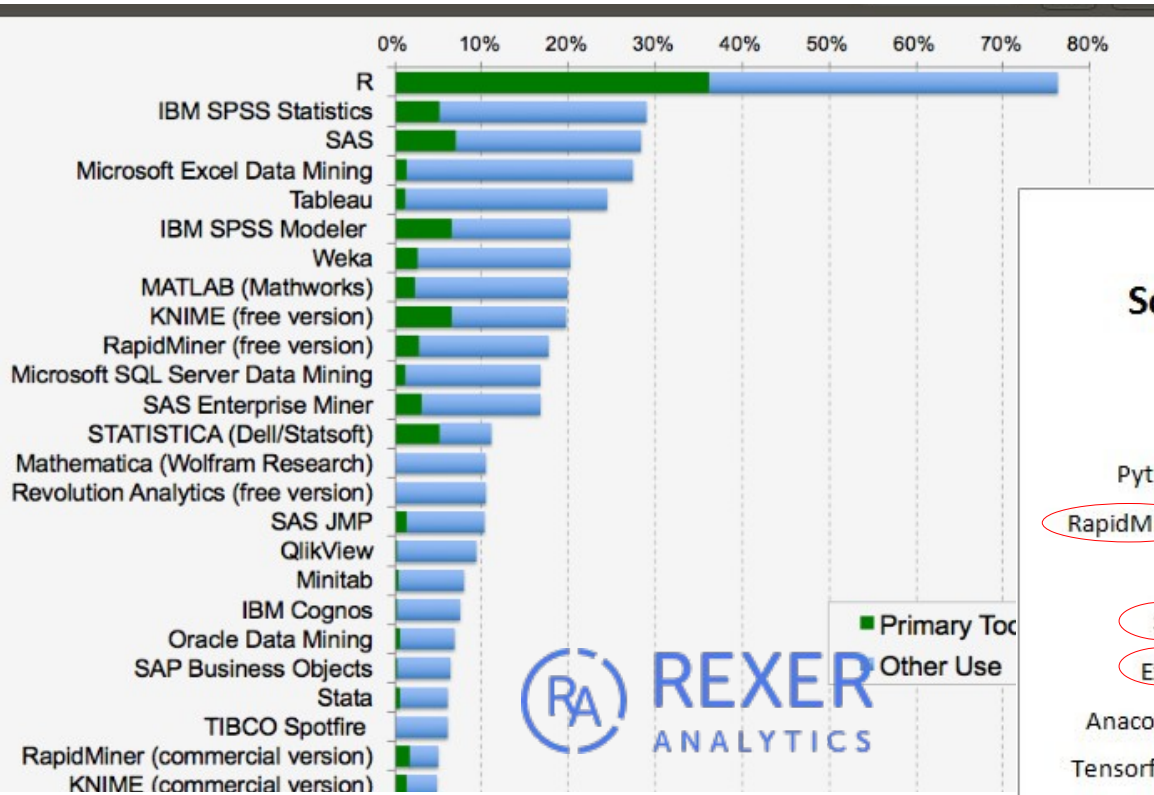
■ Top 20 recipients ■ Top 5 donors* • Values in USD million



Do you notice the slight flaw?

Tools - Popularity

Rexer Analytics 2015

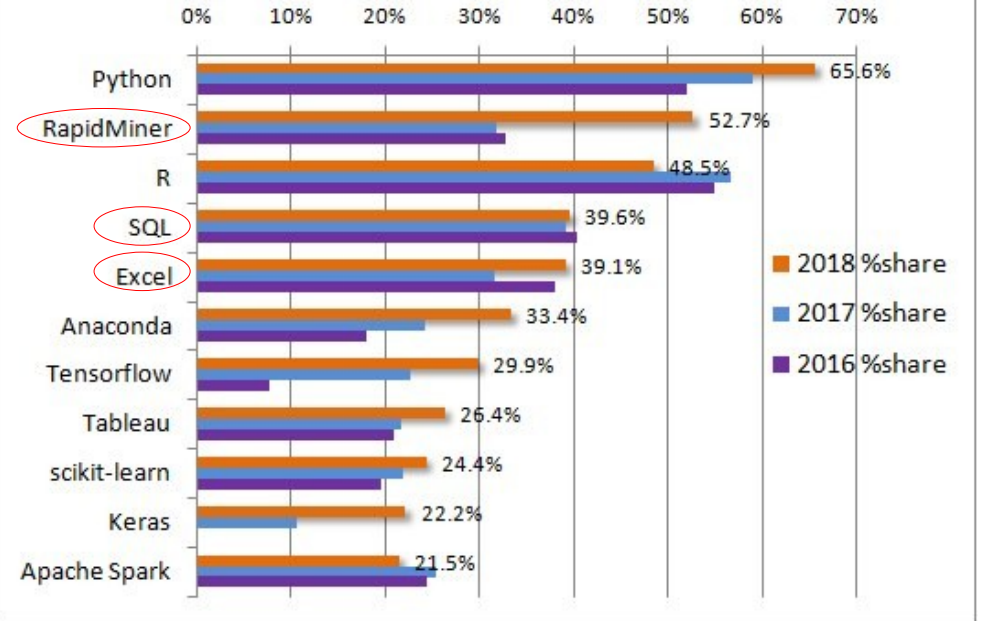


n = 1,220 analytic professionals

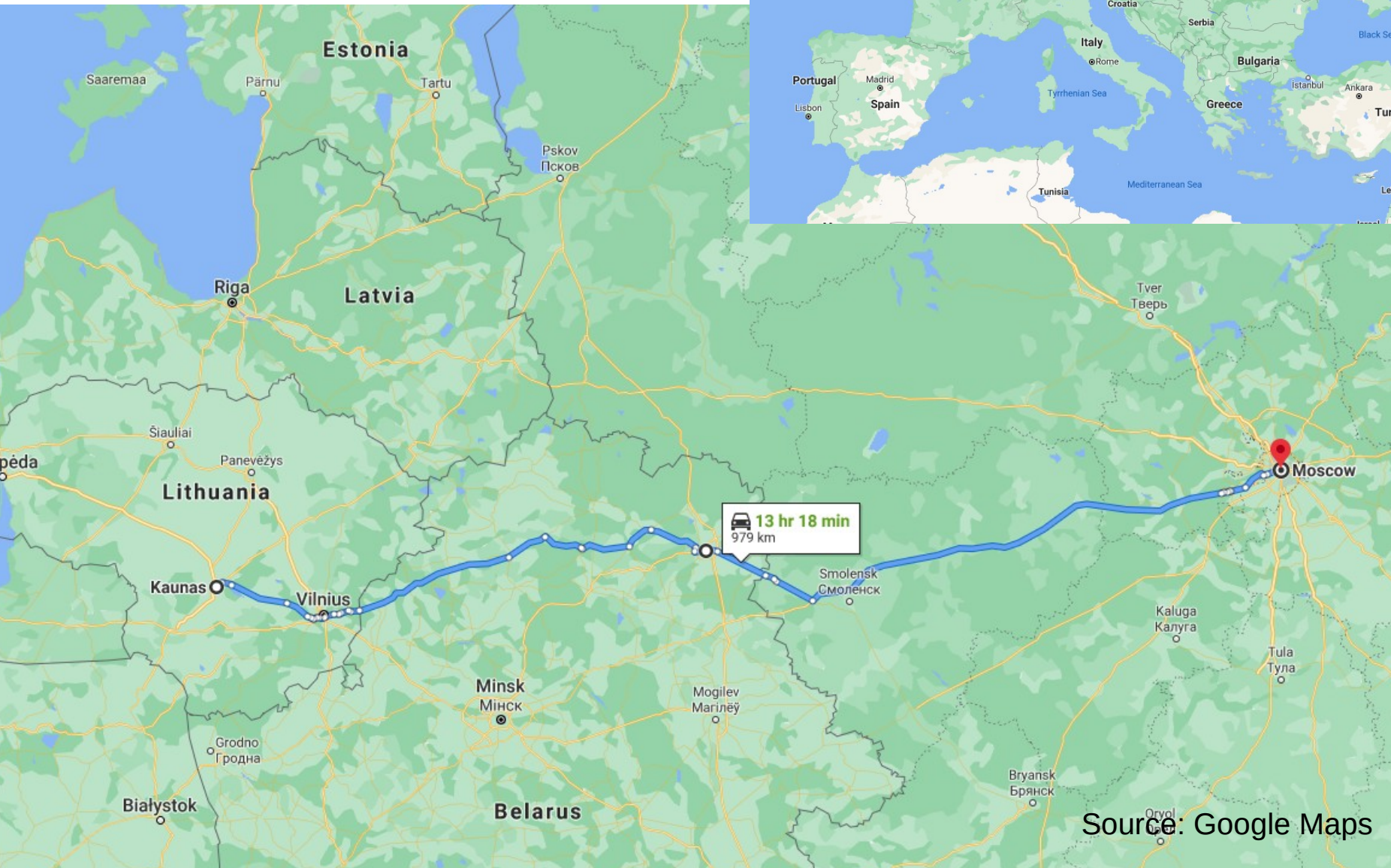
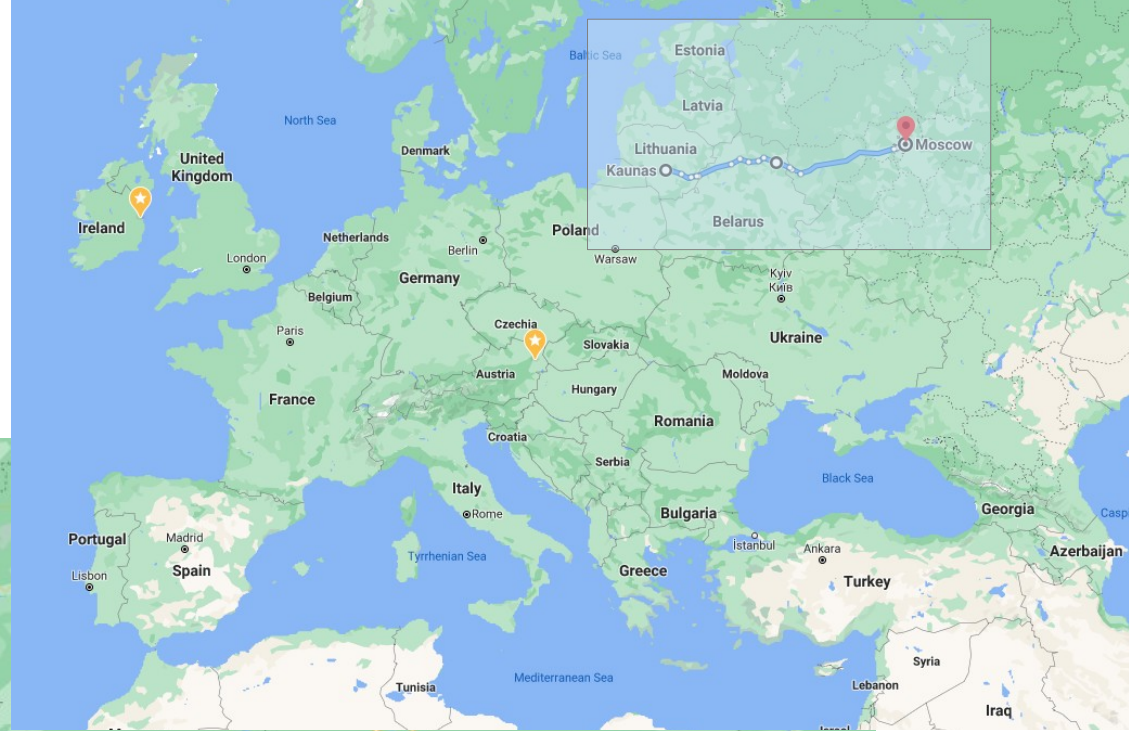
<http://www.rexeranalytics.com/Data-Miner-Survey-2015-Intro.html>



KDnuggets Analytics, Data Science, Machine Learning Software Poll, 2016-2018



Driving from Kaunas to Moscow



Source: Google Maps

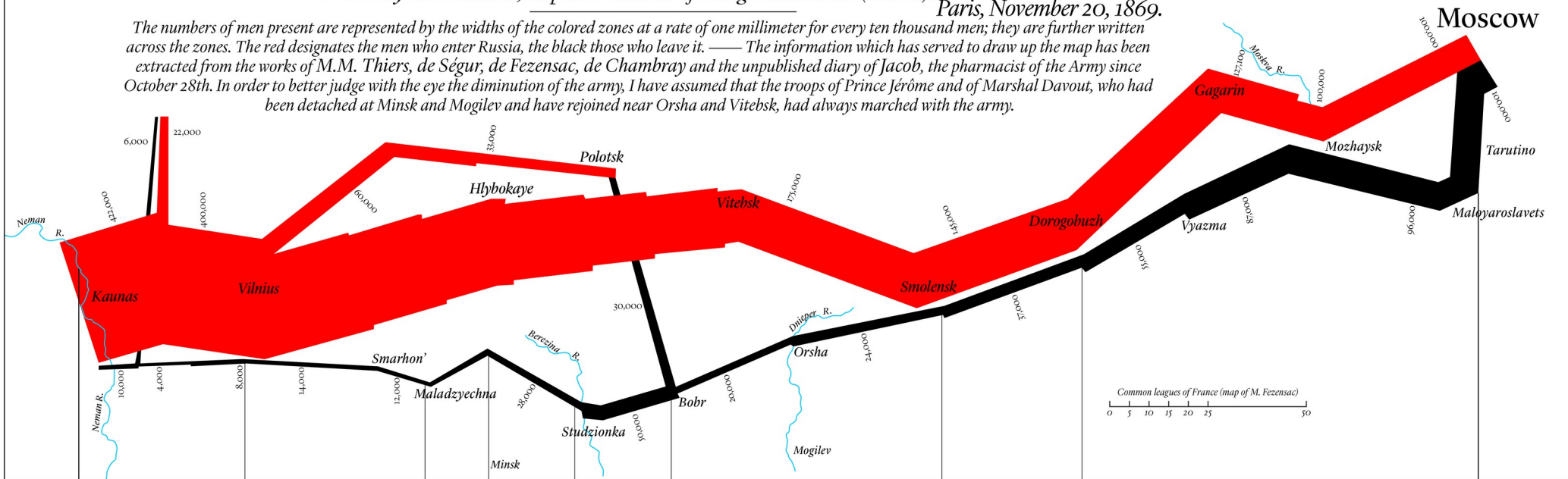
The map of Napoleon's Russian campaign

Figurative Map of the successive losses in men of the French Army in the Russian campaign 1812 ~ 1813

Drawn by M. Minard, Inspector General of Bridges and Roads (retired).

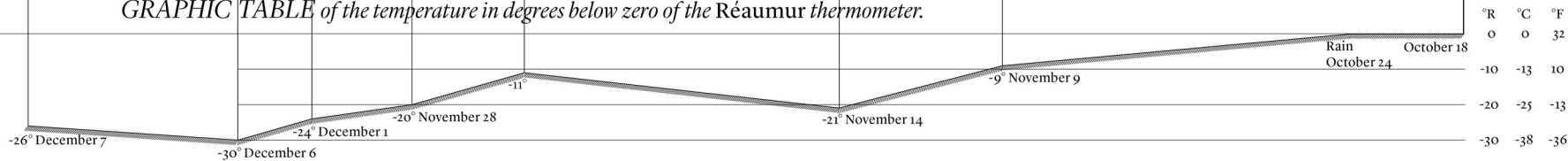
Paris, November 20, 1869.

The numbers of men present are represented by the widths of the colored zones at a rate of one millimeter for every ten thousand men; they are further written across the zones. The red designates the men who enter Russia, the black those who leave it. — The information which has served to draw up the map has been extracted from the works of M.M. Thiers, de Ségur, de Fezensac, de Chambray and the unpublished diary of Jacob, the pharmacist of the Army since October 28th. In order to better judge with the eye the diminution of the army, I have assumed that the troops of Prince Jérôme and of Marshal Davout, who had been detached at Minsk and Mogilev and have rejoined near Orsha and Vitebsk, had always marched with the army.



GRAPHIC TABLE of the temperature in degrees below zero of the Réaumur thermometer.

The Cossacks pass the frozen Neman at a gallop.

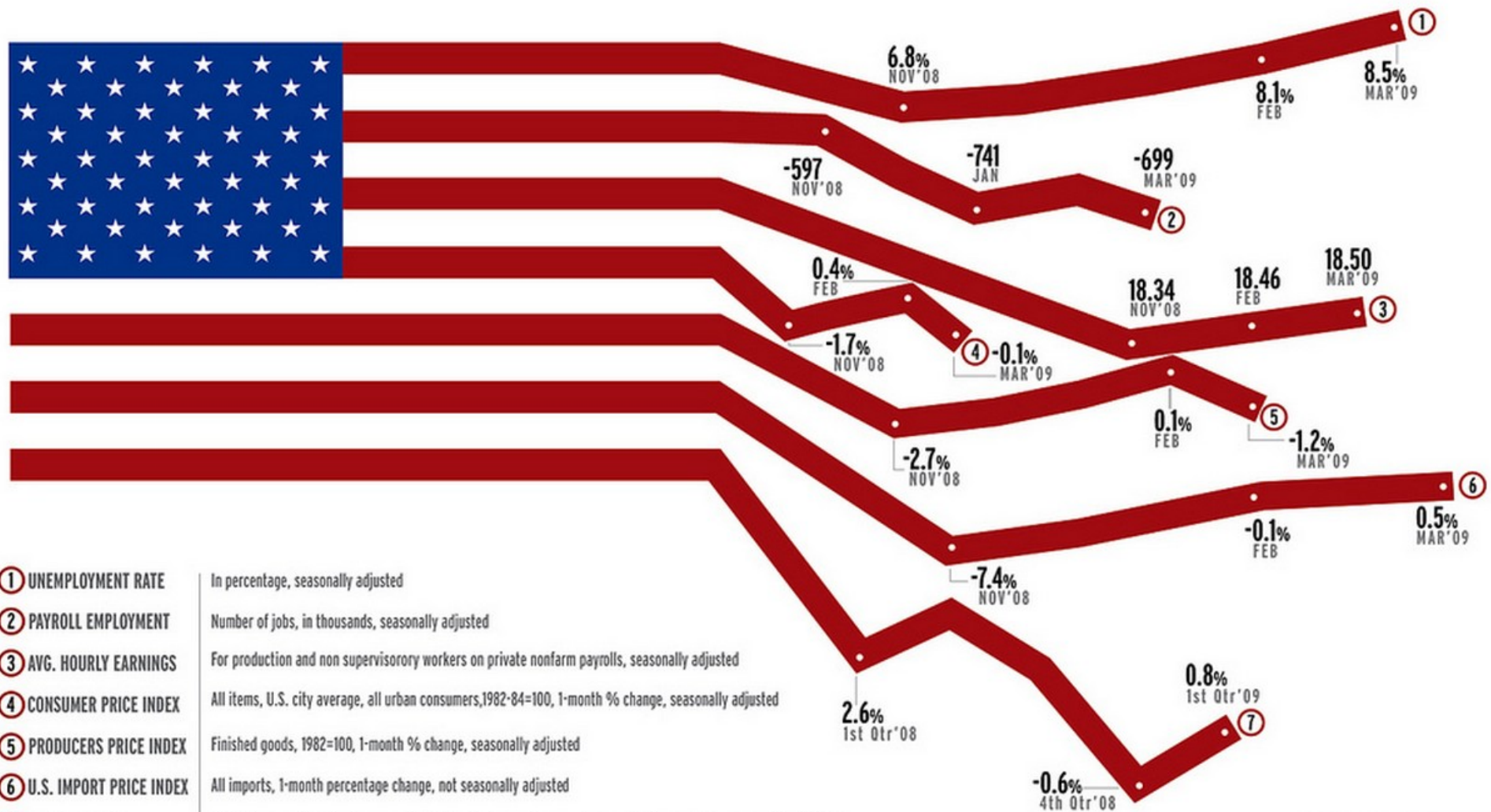


Translated from French (source: <https://edspace.american.edu/visualwar/minard/>)

Original created by Charles Joseph Minard, Inspector General of Bridges and Roads (retired).
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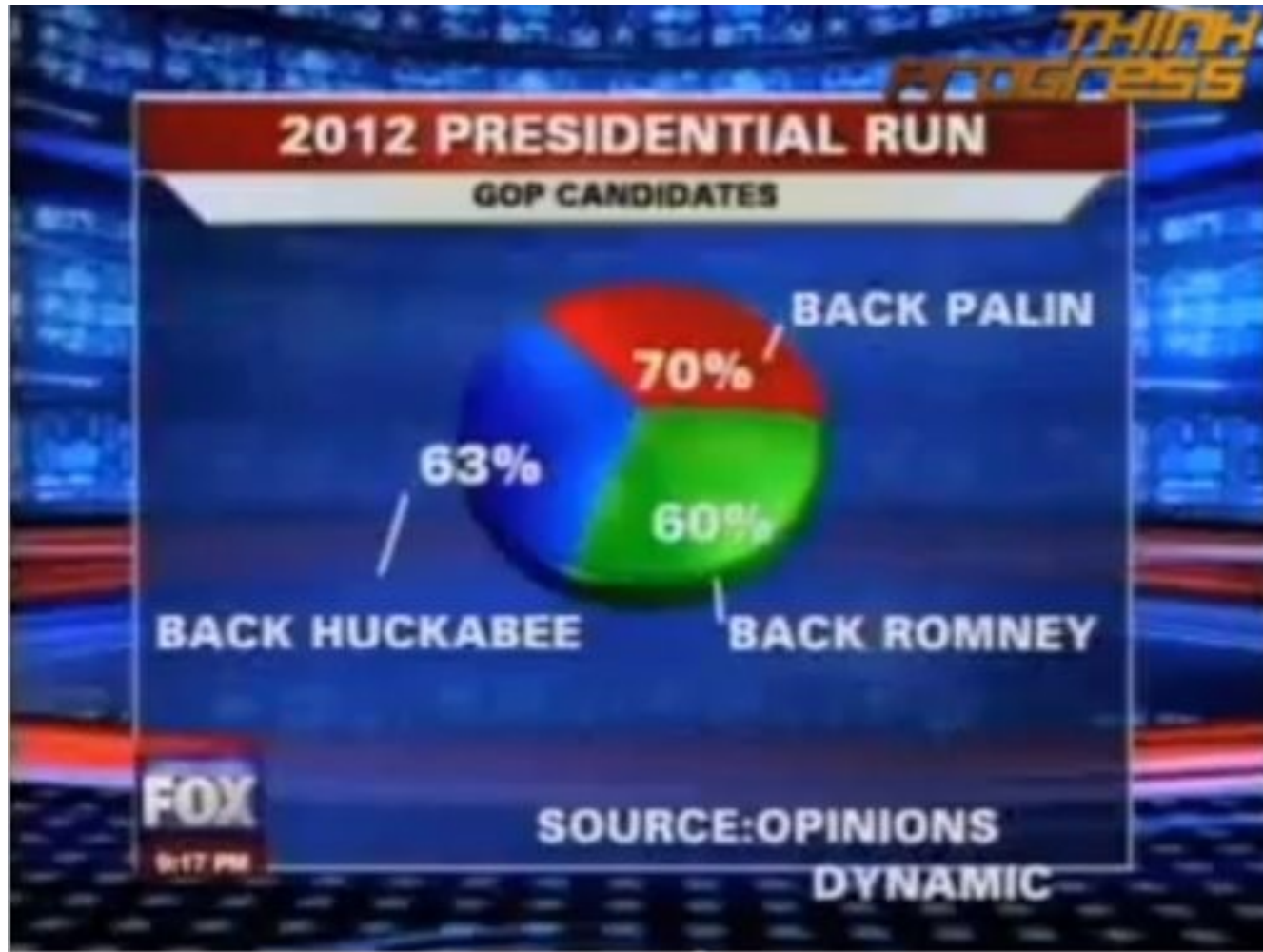
Economy at a Glance

The recent failure in the housing and credit markets have resulted in a slowdown in the US economy. 2007 GDP growth was estimated at 2.2% but in 2008 it is projected to be just 0.9%



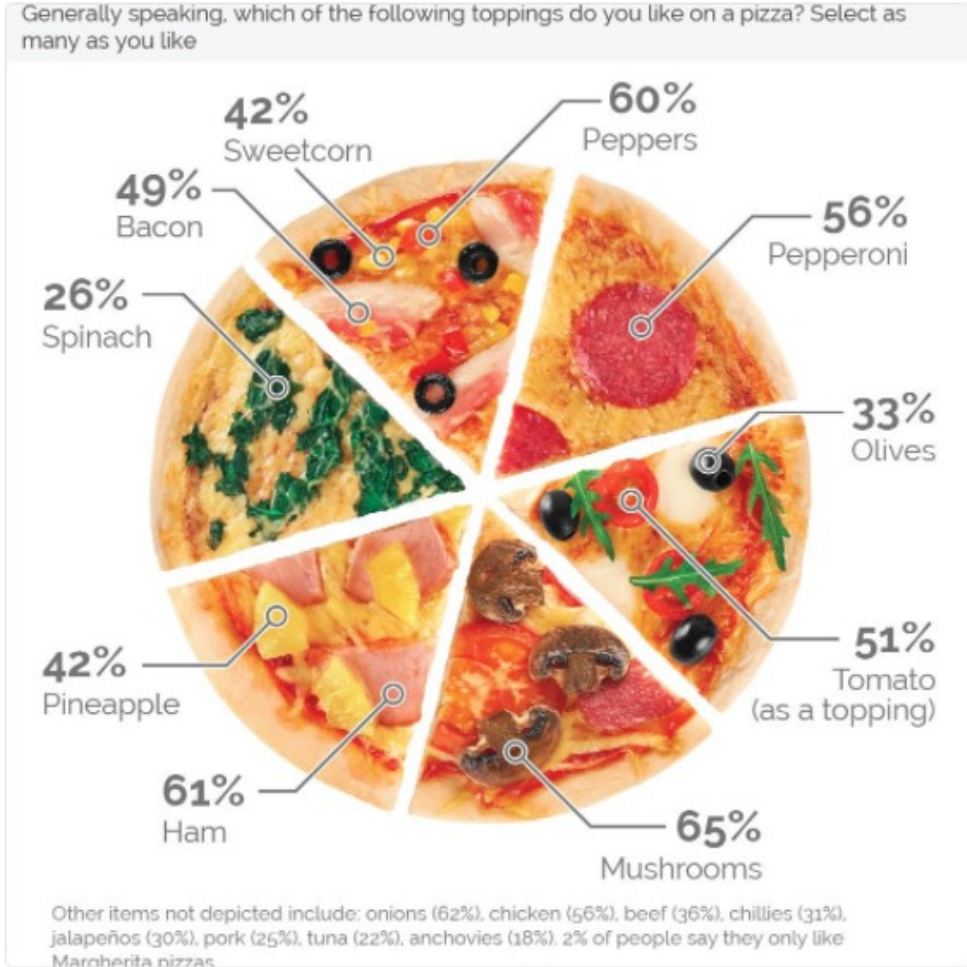
- ① UNEMPLOYMENT RATE In percentage, seasonally adjusted
- ② PAYROLL EMPLOYMENT Number of jobs, in thousands, seasonally adjusted
- ③ AVG. HOURLY EARNINGS For production and non supervisory workers on private nonfarm payrolls, seasonally adjusted
- ④ CONSUMER PRICE INDEX All items, U.S. city average, all urban consumers, 1982-84=100, 1-month % change, seasonally adjusted
- ⑤ PRODUCERS PRICE INDEX Finished goods, 1982=100, 1-month % change, seasonally adjusted
- ⑥ U.S. IMPORT PRICE INDEX All imports, 1-month percentage change, not seasonally adjusted
- ⑦ PRODUCTIVITY Output/hour, nonfarm business, quarterly data, % change from previous quarter at annual rate, seasonally adjusted

Fox News - 2012 presidential race



Forget pepperoni - mushroom is Britain's most liked pizza topping (65%), followed by onion (62%) and then ham (61%)

[yougov.co.uk/news/2017/03/0 ...](http://yougov.co.uk/news/2017/03/0)



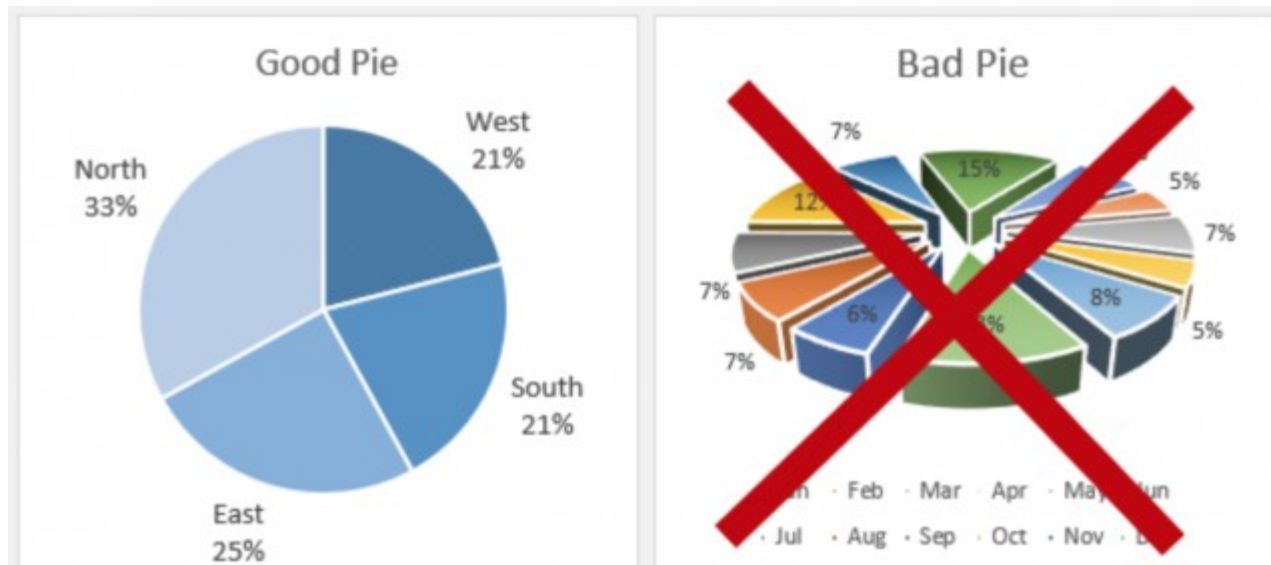
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Is this pie a pie chart?

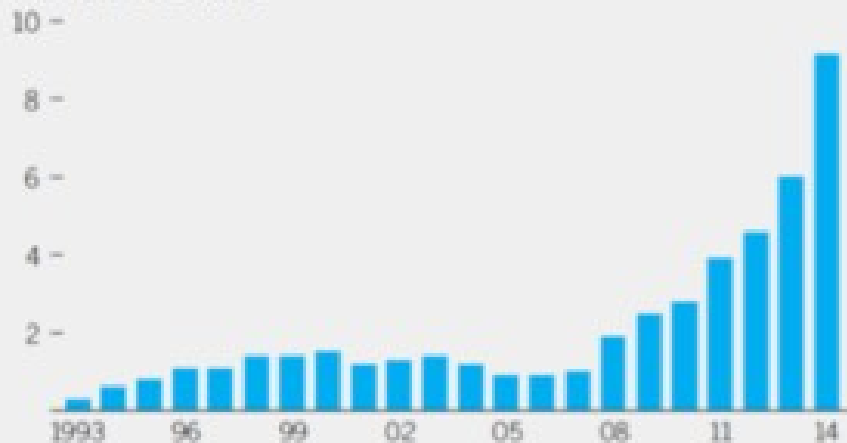
You could use a bar chart instead



Axes

VINYL SALES SINCE 1993

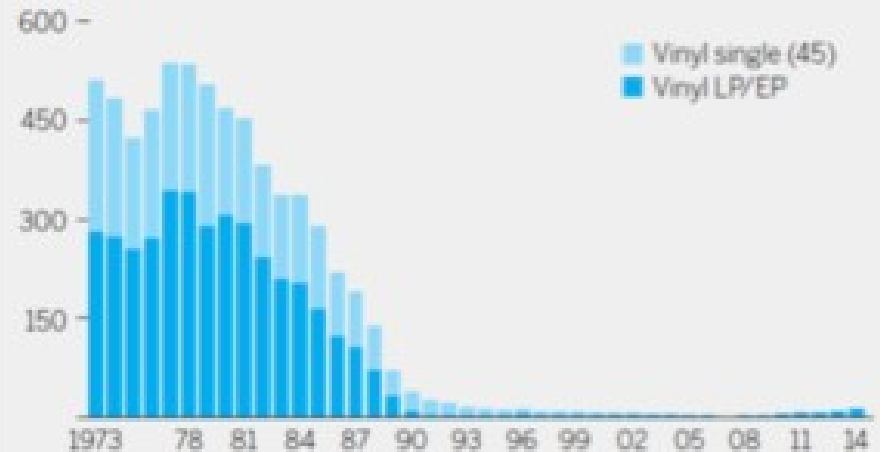
MILLIONS OF UNITS



SOURCE: RIAA

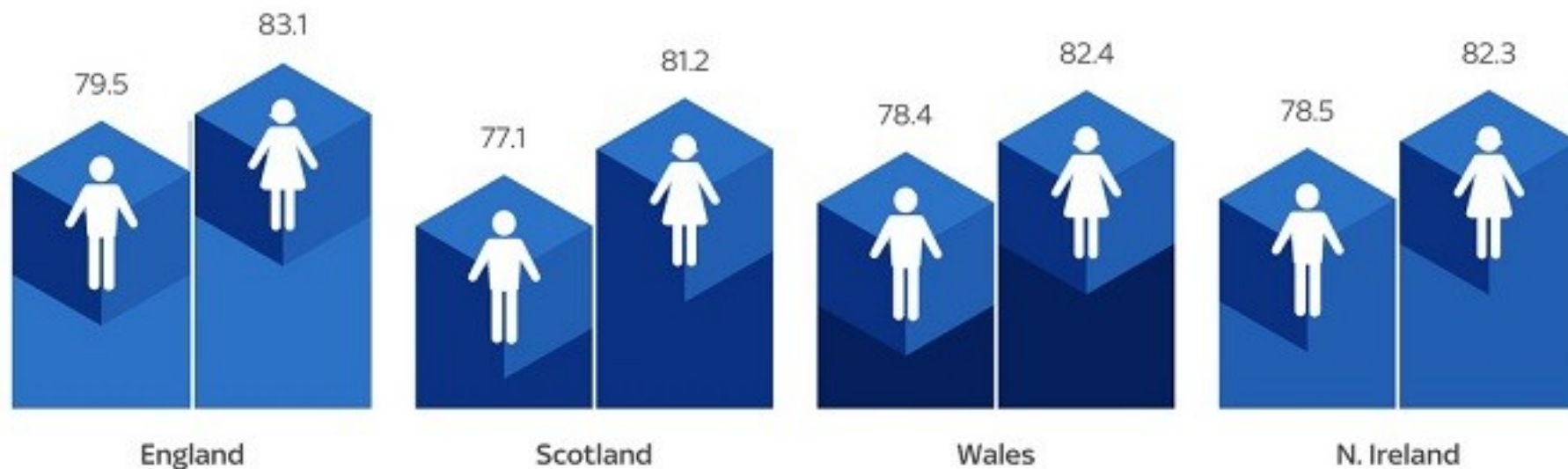
VINYL SALES SINCE 1973

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Sky News – Average UK life expectancy

81.2 Average UK life expectancy



UK Life Expectancy (fixed)

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L
1	UK Life Expectancy											
2												
3		Column1	Male	Female								
4		England	79.5	83.1								
5		Scotland	77.1	81.2								
6		Wales	78.4	82.4								
7		N. Ireland	78.5	82.3								
8												
9												
10			Recommended Chart						After fixing the y-axis			

