

# Nebraska QI Residency

**Module E and F: Healthcare Data in Practice**  
**July 14 - 15, 2022**

# Objectives

- Identify measures for quality improvement (e.g. structure, process, and outcome)
- Identify data sources for comparison (e.g., benchmarking)
- Summarize best practices for collecting and validating data
- Use Microsoft Excel to organize data for analysis and reporting
- Interpret data to support decision-making
- Use tools to display data or evaluate a process (e.g., Pareto chart, run chart, scattergram, control chart)
- Identify important components of Scorecards, Dashboards, and Board Reports
- Use data visualization tools and techniques to facilitate communication

# Introductions



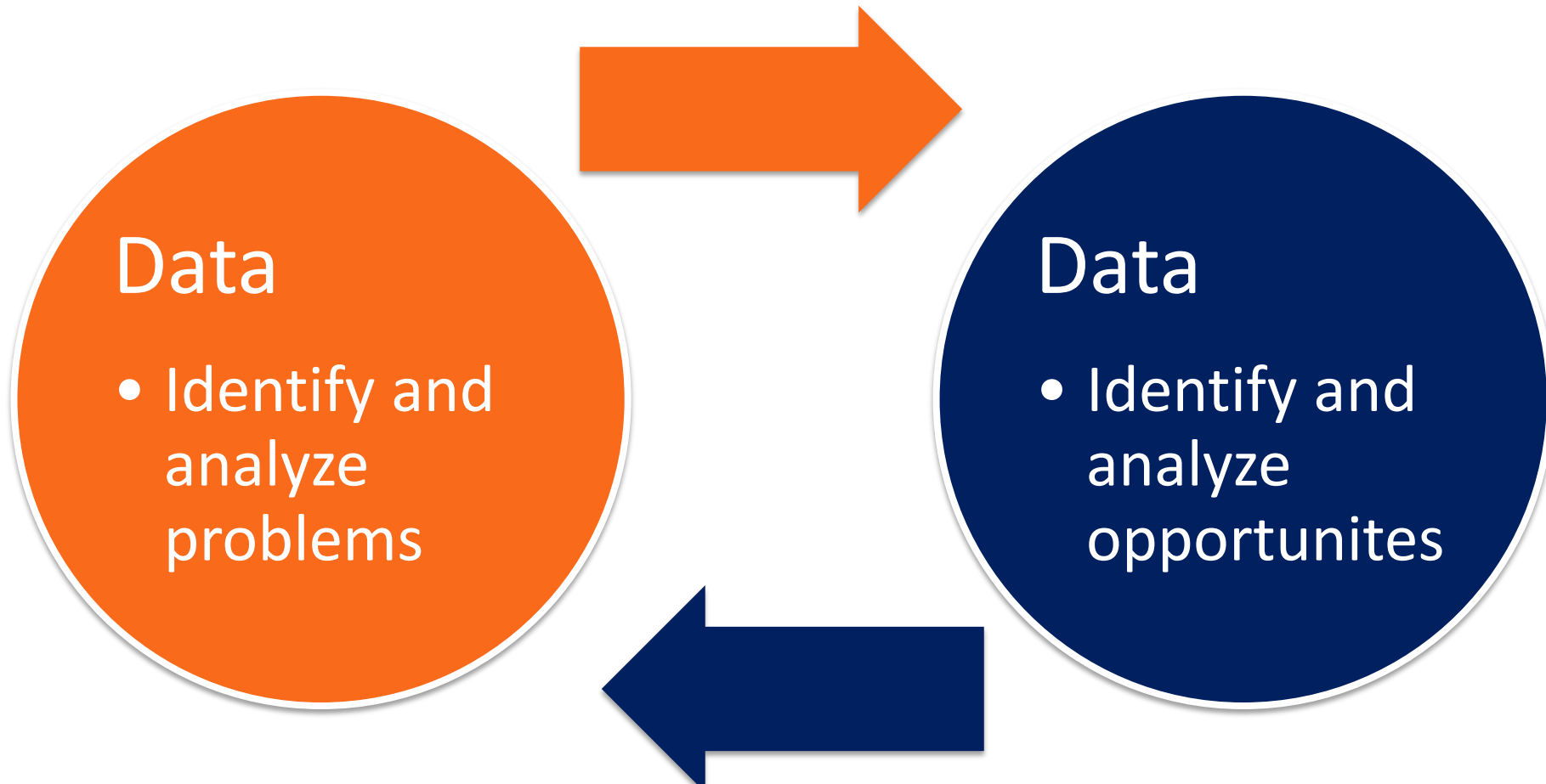
# Why is Data Collection, Analysis, and Reporting So Important?

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# What is quality?



# What is the role of data in quality improvement?

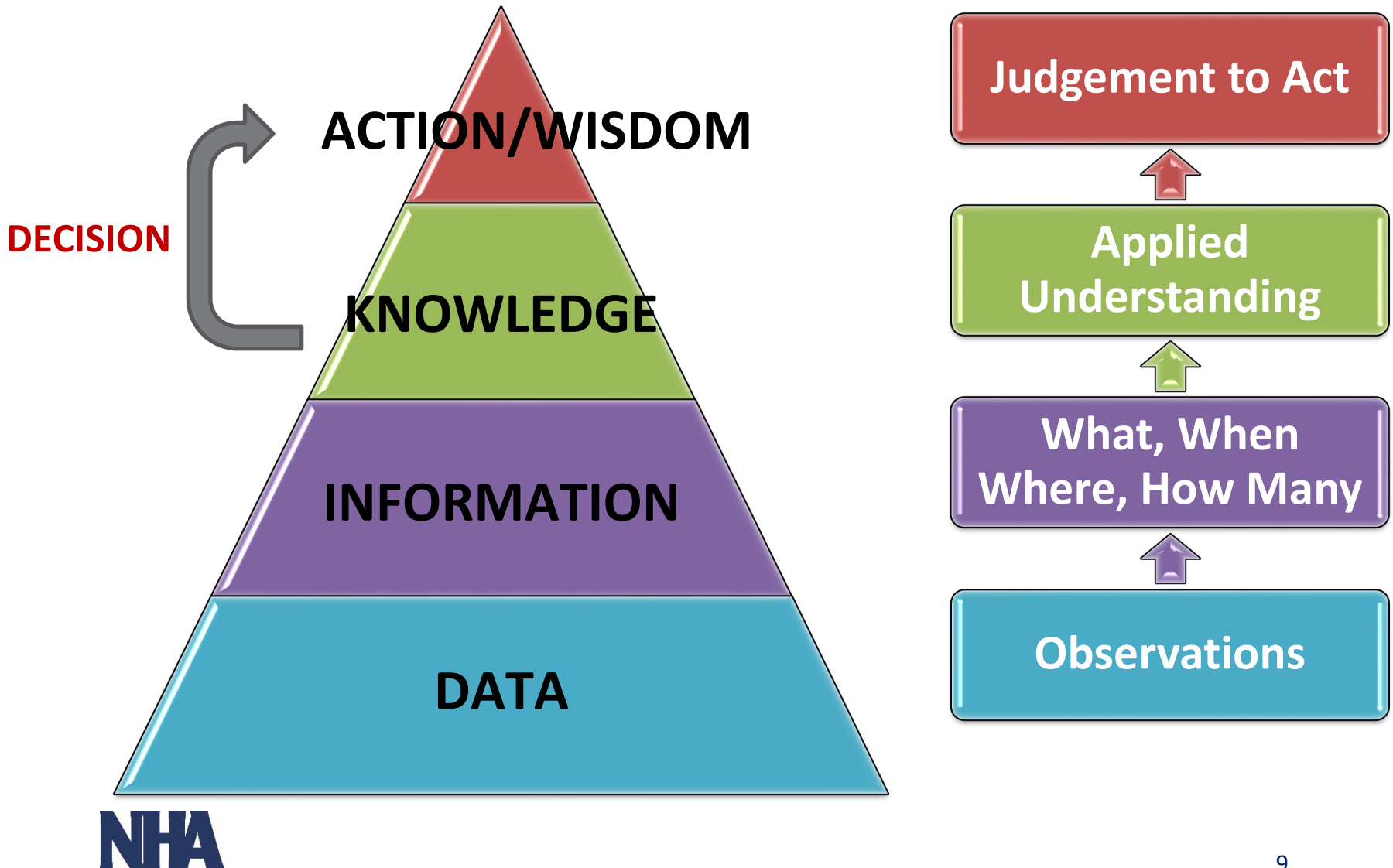


# Learning from and solving problems with data

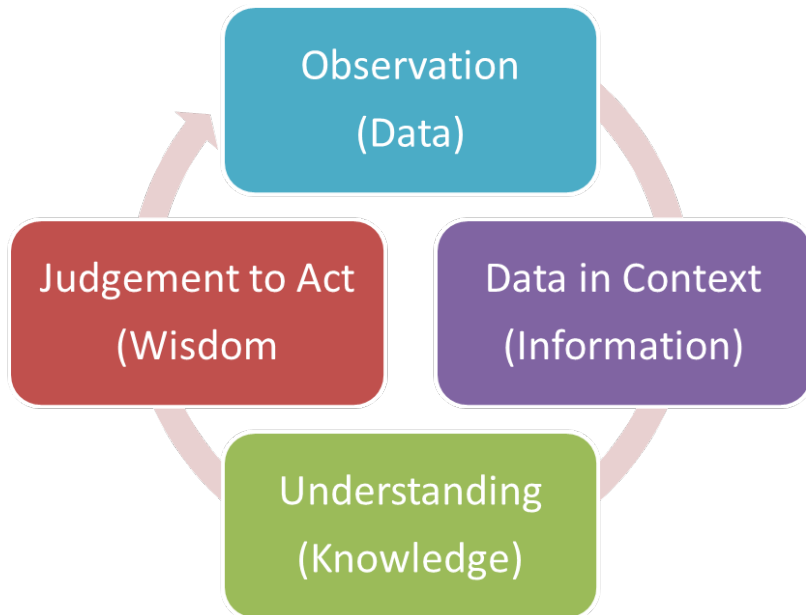
“The more effort you put into understanding and utilizing data, the more you will be rewarded in terms of solving the right problem in the right way.”

Victorian Government Department of Human Services, A guide to using data for health care quality improvement, 2008. Available at: [https://aci.health.nsw.gov.au/data/assets/pdf\\_file/0006/273336/vqc-guide-to-using-data.pdf](https://aci.health.nsw.gov.au/data/assets/pdf_file/0006/273336/vqc-guide-to-using-data.pdf)

# DIKW Hierarchy



# Data to Wisdom



# Data and Information Sources

- Hospital Electronic Medical Records
- Hospital Administration/Billing System
- Laboratory Information System

# Data and Information Sources

- Event Reports
- Audits/Chart Reviews
- Surveys
- Quality Reports



# Data and Information Sources

- Benchmark Data
  - IHI, CMS, AHRQ, DHHS, NCPS
  - Quality programs
  - Published research
  - \*Inpatient Quality Indicators (IQI) Benchmark Data Tables, v2021  
[Version\_2021\_Benchmark\_Tables\_IQI.pdf]
  - \*Network of Patient Safety Databases Chartbook  
[npsd-chartbook-2021.pdf]

# Data Collection

## Develop a Plan

- What data will be collected?
  - Create Data Dictionary [*vqc-guide-to-using-data.pdf Table 4.1, Page 38*]
- How they will be collected?
- Who will collect them?
- When and where they will be collected?
- What are the boundaries?



Lean Six Sigma  
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# Sampling plan template

## SAMPLING PLAN

What data to collect ?	Source of data	Type of data	What question are we trying to answer ?	Sample size	Sampling frequency	Measurement Method	How will the data be displayed?

### Lean and six sigma training course aid

The sampling plan is used during the measurement phase of the DMAIC lean six sigma project. The purpose of the sampling plan is to define what data to collect and how it will be collected and measured. The sample size and sampling frequency depend on things such as process variation and the precision of test required. The sampling plan describes how the data will be displayed [e.g. histograms, time series charts, box plots etc]

# Data Types

- **Continuous** (degree of conformance)
  - Height, weight, volume, length, speed, temperature, time, et al
- **Discrete** (count data & can be classified)
  - Phone calls, steps, counties, population, snow flakes, etc.
- **Categorical** (conforms or not – is or isn't)
  - Yes/No, high/low, hot/not hot, blue/not blue, zip code, Wednesday, Christmas, Room 12, light/dark, Page No., Male/Female, etc.

# Data Types

## Data Scales

- **Nominal** (qualitative description; hot, large, west, etc.)
- **Ordinal** (nominal, but ranked to represent degree; best, worst)
- **Interval** (meaningfully arranged in order; 20, 30, 40 degrees F)
- **Ratio** (most meaningful, with a true zero; can use statistical analysis)
  - Falls per 1,000 patient days

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# Population vs Sample Data

## Considerations for Using Population Data

- Measuring a population has greater advantages than sampling a population
- If the population is fairly large the cost in time and money may be prohibitive

# Population vs Sample Data

## Considerations for Sampling a Population

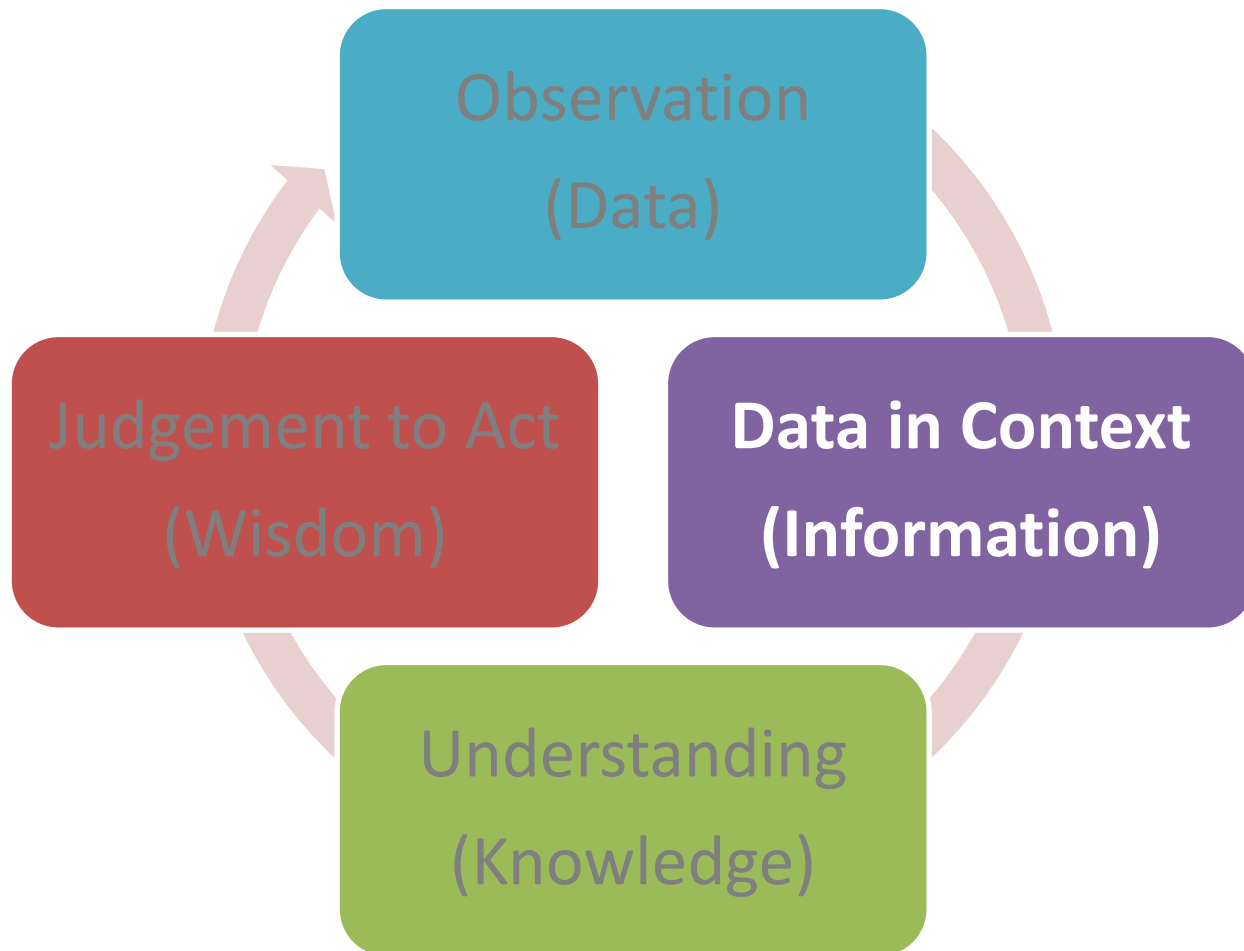
- Sample a population where possible
- Less degree of confidence in the results
  - Unless a significant number of samples is taken
- Use an appropriate sampling plan
- There are online sample calculators
  - Must know the number of items in the population
  - Must have an idea of the confidence interval needed

# Population vs Sample Data

## Sampling a Population

- The Central Limit Theorem
- Convenience Sampling
- Judgement Sampling (stratified data, expert opinion)
- Probability Sampling (statistical)
  - Preferable in most situations
  - Requires random samples

# Data Analysis



# Data Analysis

**But first, CLEAN YOUR DATA!**



# Data Analysis

## Descriptive Statistics

- Mean
- Median
- Mode
- Standard Deviation

# Data Analysis

- T-tests of data
- Correlation of two sets of data
- Confidence intervals

# Data Analysis

## Subgrouping Data

- Average of each shift
- An average over each producer
- An average of each parallel process
- Once per hour, twice per hour, etc.

Population vs Sample Data

# Data Analysis

## Types of Errors Discovered During Surgical Set-up

Error Type	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative %
Wrong Supplier	67	46.5	46.5
Excess Count	24	16.7	63.2
Too Few Count	17	11.8	75.0
Wrong Size	10	6.9	81.9
Wrong Sterile Instrument Set	10	6.9	88.9
Missing Item	8	5.6	94.4
Damaged Item	6	4.2	98.6
Other	2	1.4	100.0
TOTAL	144		

# Data Analysis

- Summarizing data using Excel
  - Patients - pivot table practice.xlsx
  - Diabetes – Excel practice.xlsx

# Charts and Graphs

- Run Chart
  - Change in data over time
  - Impact of changes on measures

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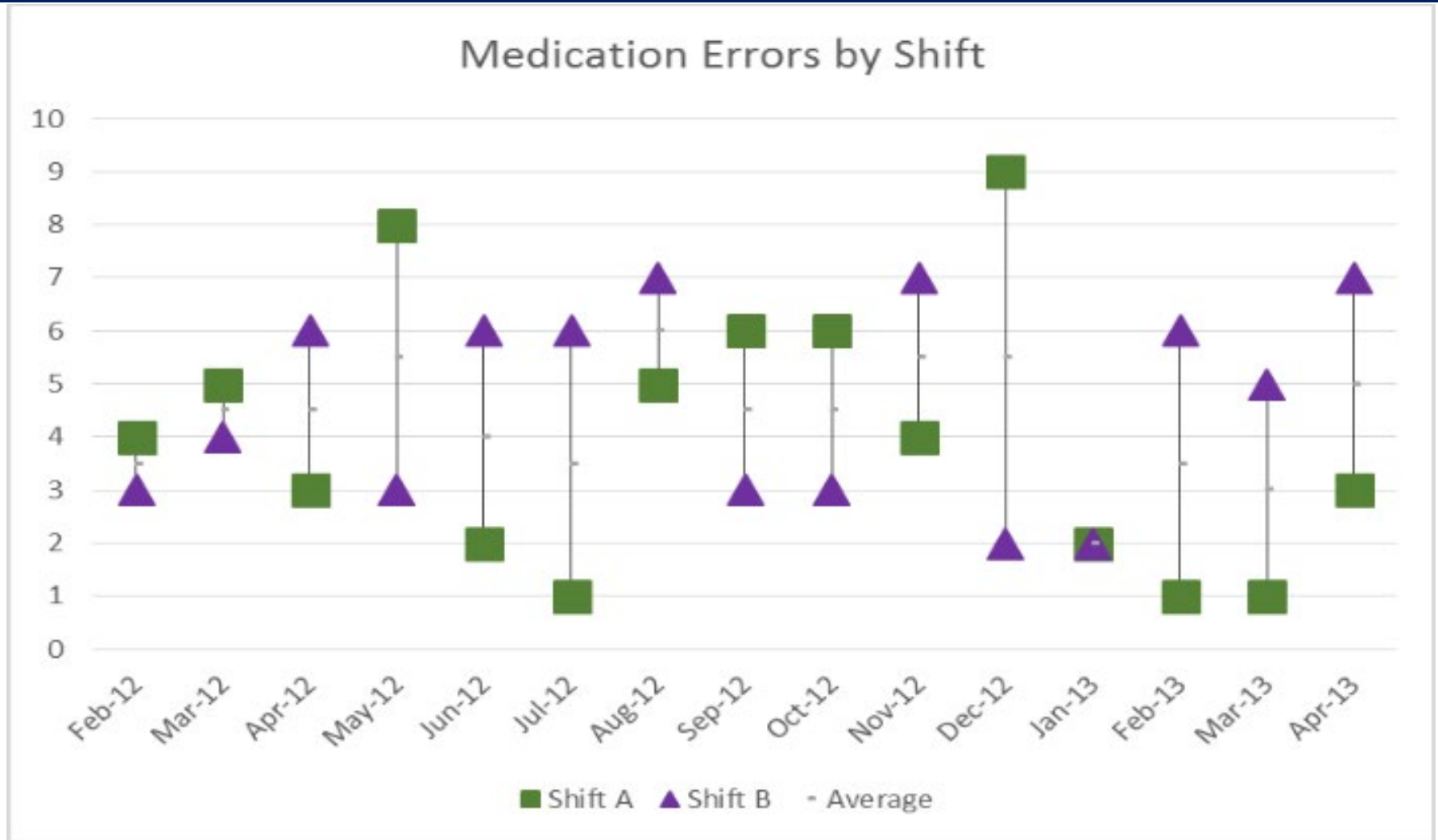
Run Charts (Part 1)

<http://www.ihi.org/education/IHIOpenSchool/resources/Pages/AudioandVideo/Whiteboard7.aspx>

Run Charts (Part 2)

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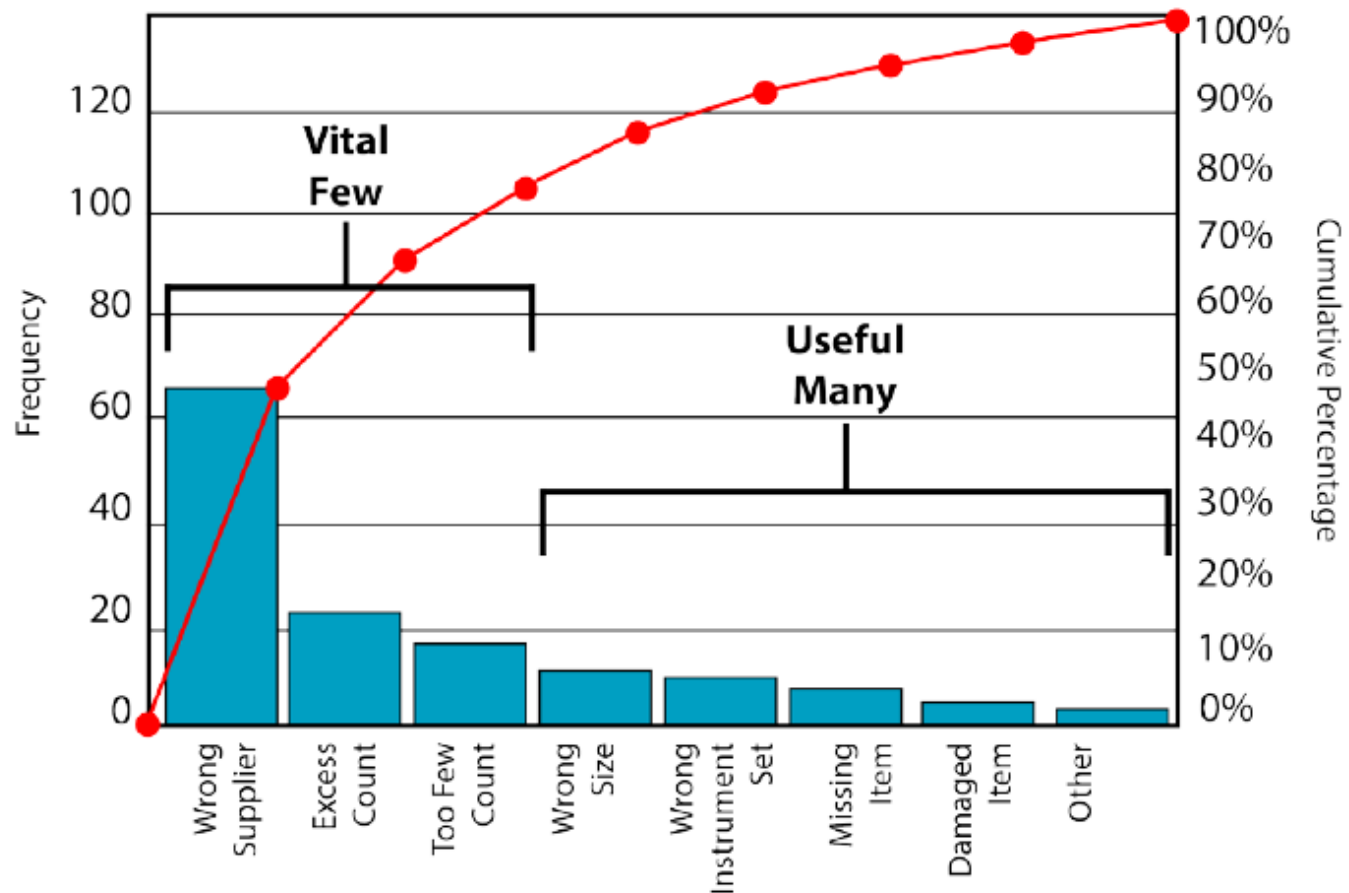
- Pareto Chart
  - Pareto Principle or 80/20 rule
    - Typically 80% of the effect comes from 20% of causes
  - Visualize areas of improvement with greatest impact

## QI Essentials Toolkit: Pareto Chart

<http://www.ihi.org/resources/Pages/Tools/Quality-Improvement-Essentials-Toolkit.aspx>

# Charts and Graphs

Pareto Chart: Types of Errors Discovered During Surgical Set-up



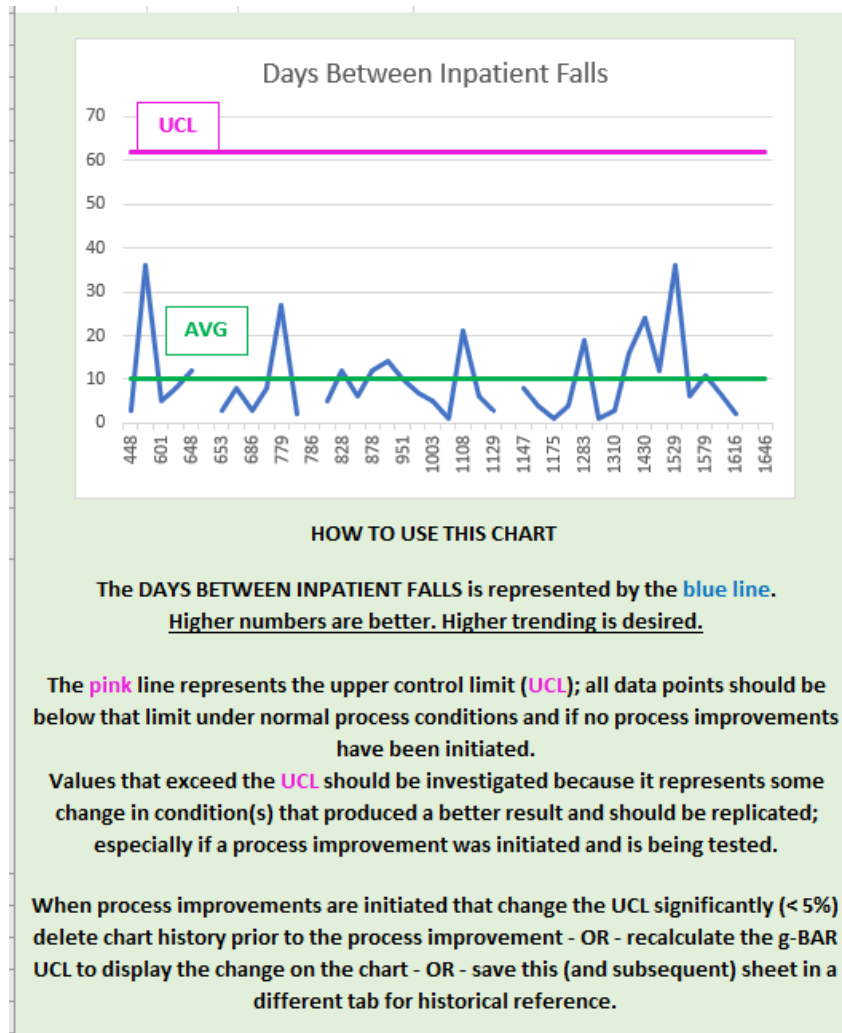
# Data Variation

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- Common Cause
- Special Cause



# Variation



# Correlation

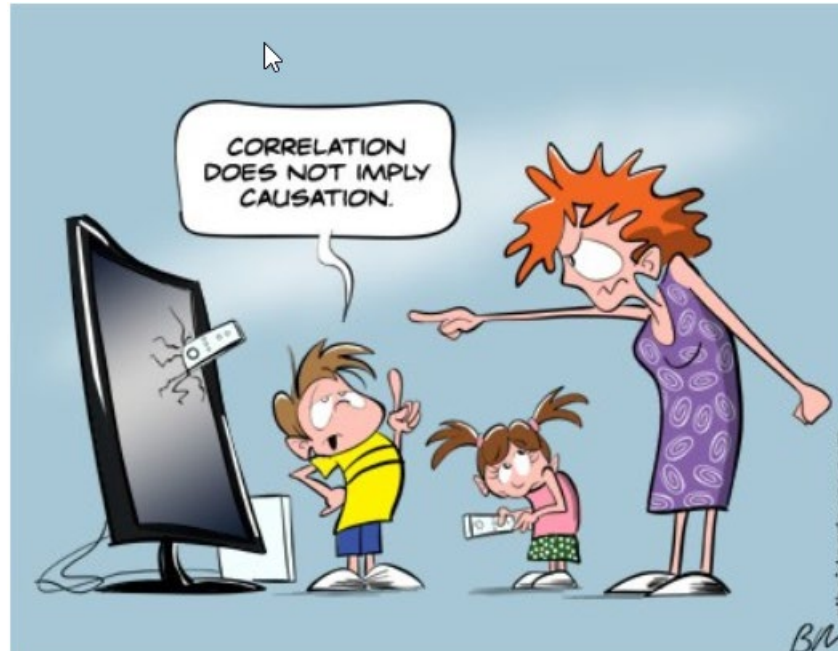
## Understanding Relationships

- Scatter Plot
  - Find relationships between two variables; possible cause-and-effect

### QI Essentials Toolkit: Scatter Diagram

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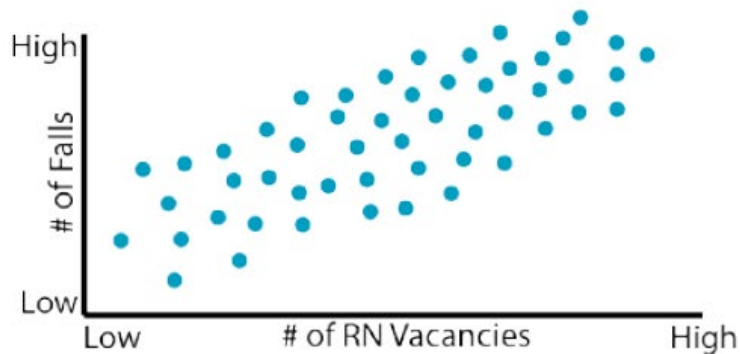
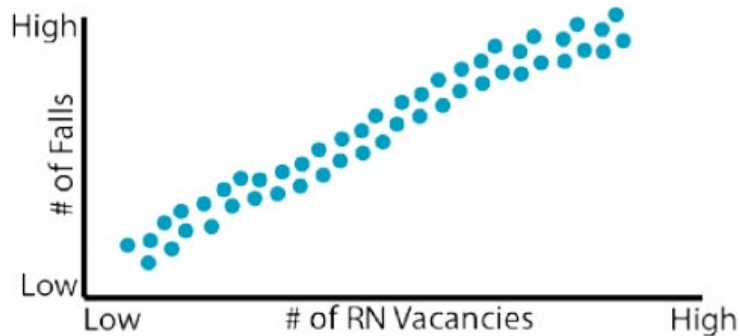
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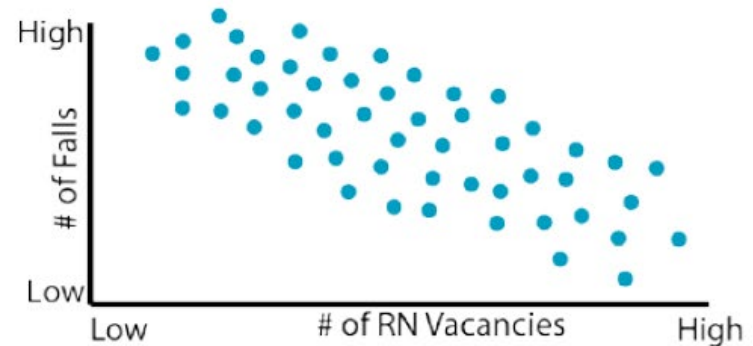
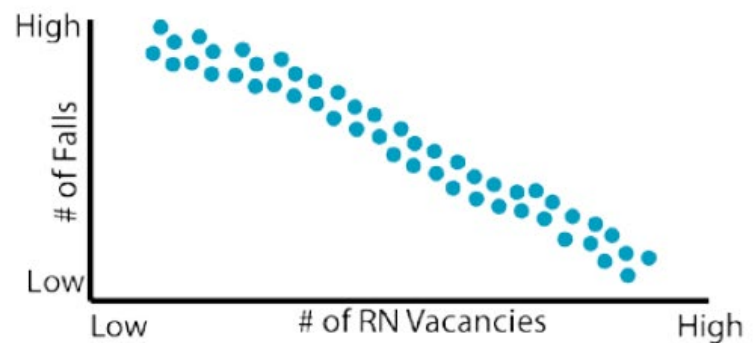
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Strong Positive Relationship



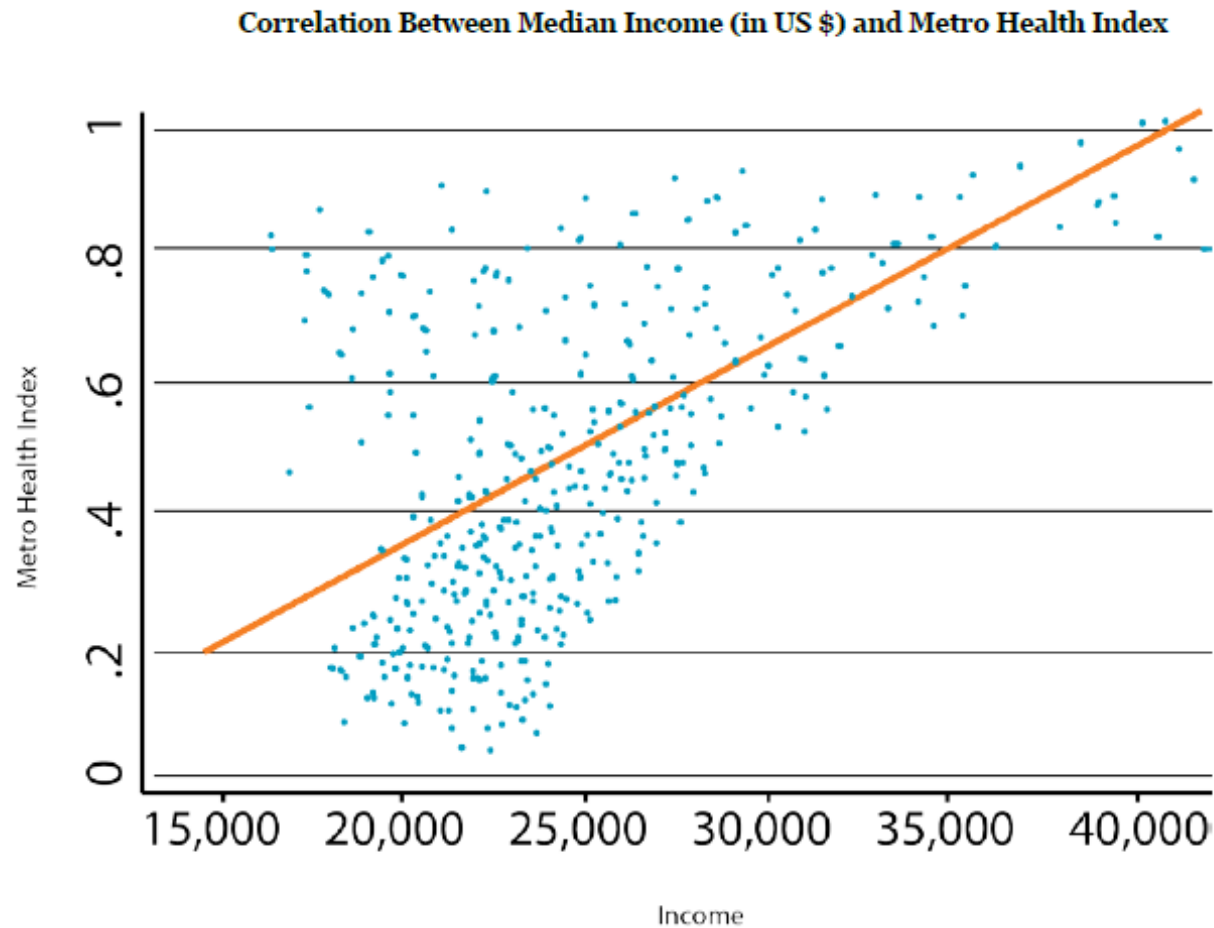
Weak Positive Relationship

Strong Negative Relationship

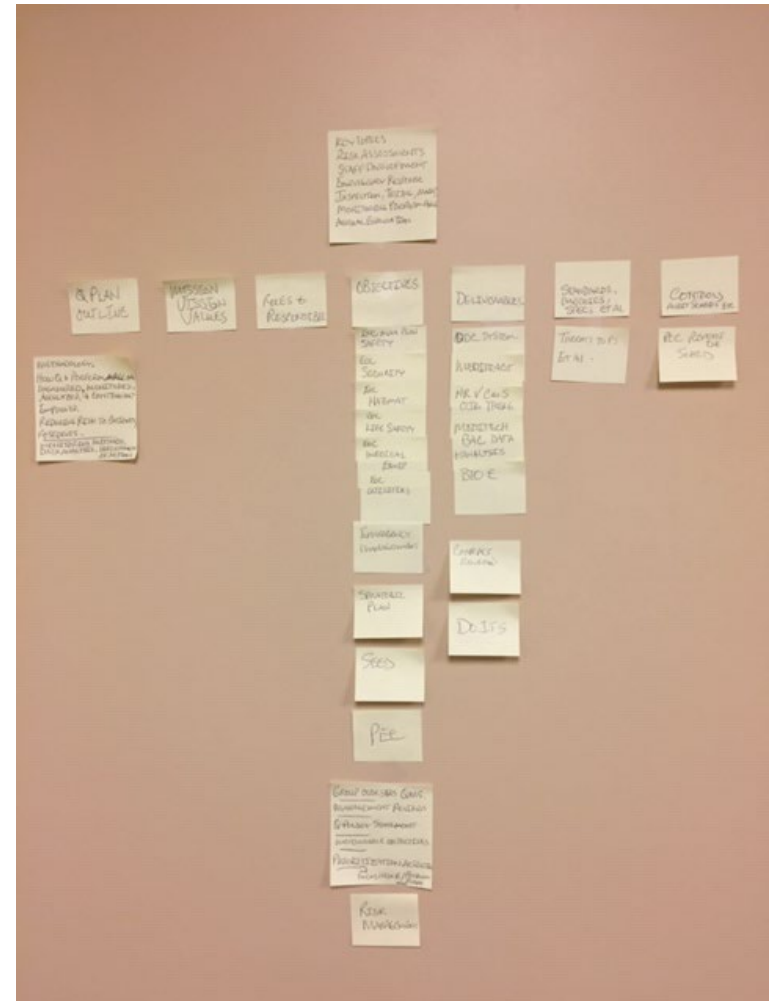
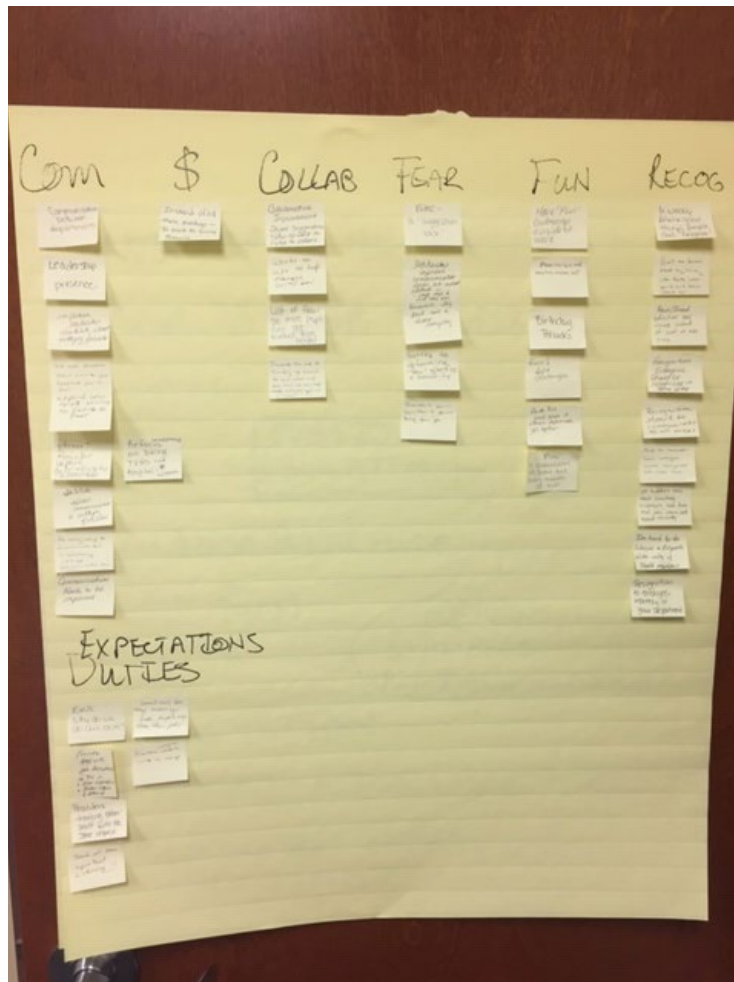


Weak Negative Relationship

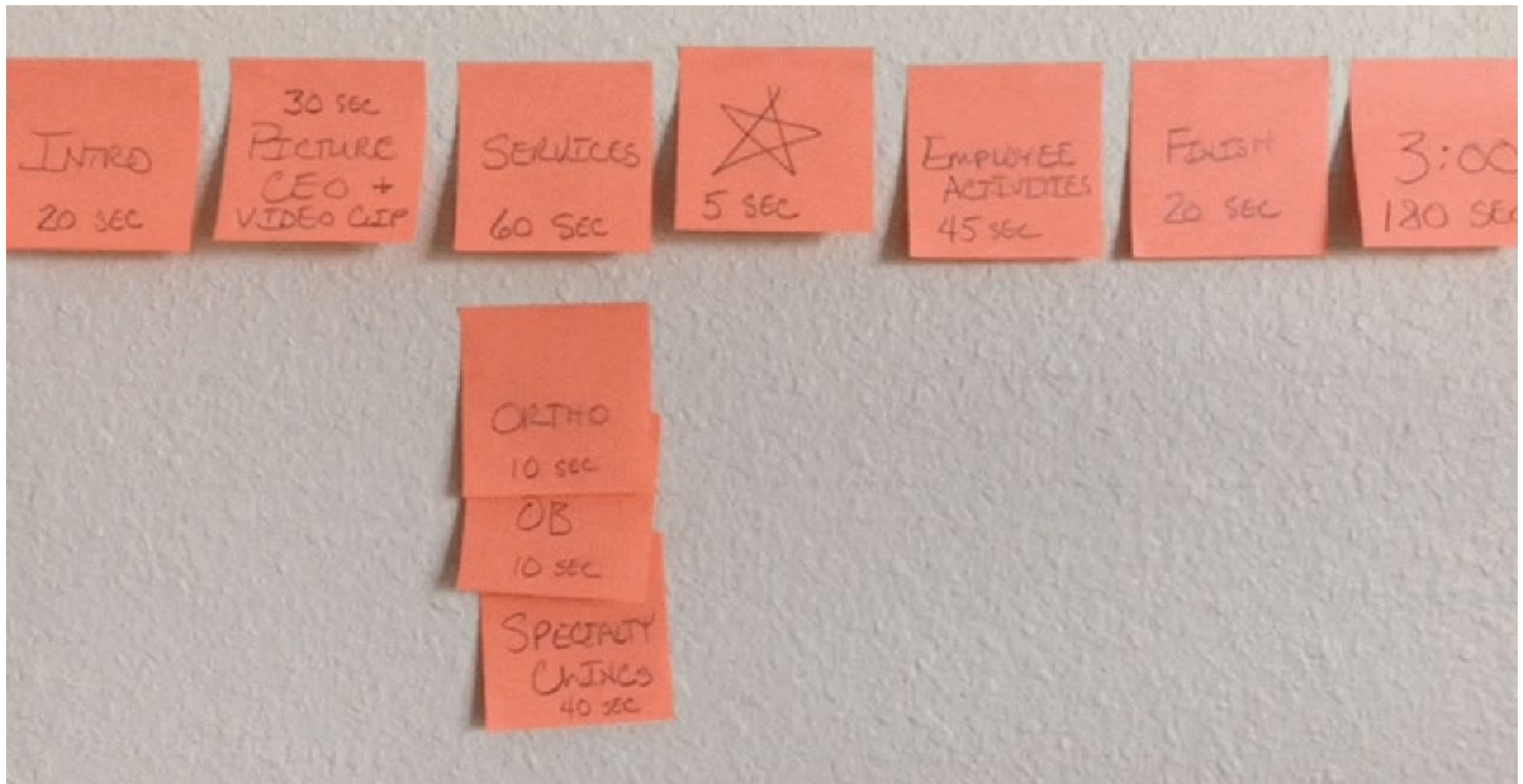
# Correlation



# Storyboards



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# Case Study: Putting it all together

*New York Times February 15 2017*

*U.S. Traffic Deaths Rise for a Second Straight Year*

Headline:

Last year, traffic deaths increased 6 percent, to 40,200, according to estimates released on Wednesday by the National Safety Council. The two-year increase — 14 percent — is the largest in more than a half a century.

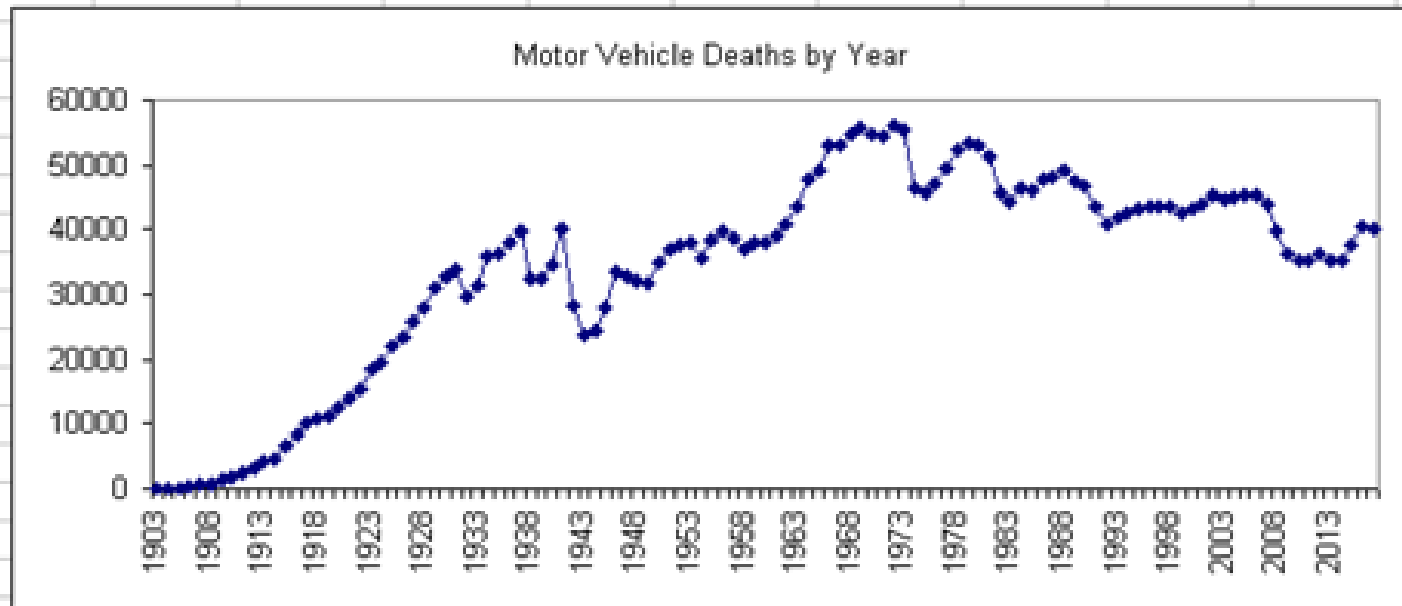
The latest batch of bad news arrived Wednesday in traffic fatality estimates released by the National Safety Council, a nonprofit organization that works closely with federal auto-safety regulators. According to its estimates, 40,200 people died in accidents involving motor vehicles in 2016, a 6 percent rise from the year before.

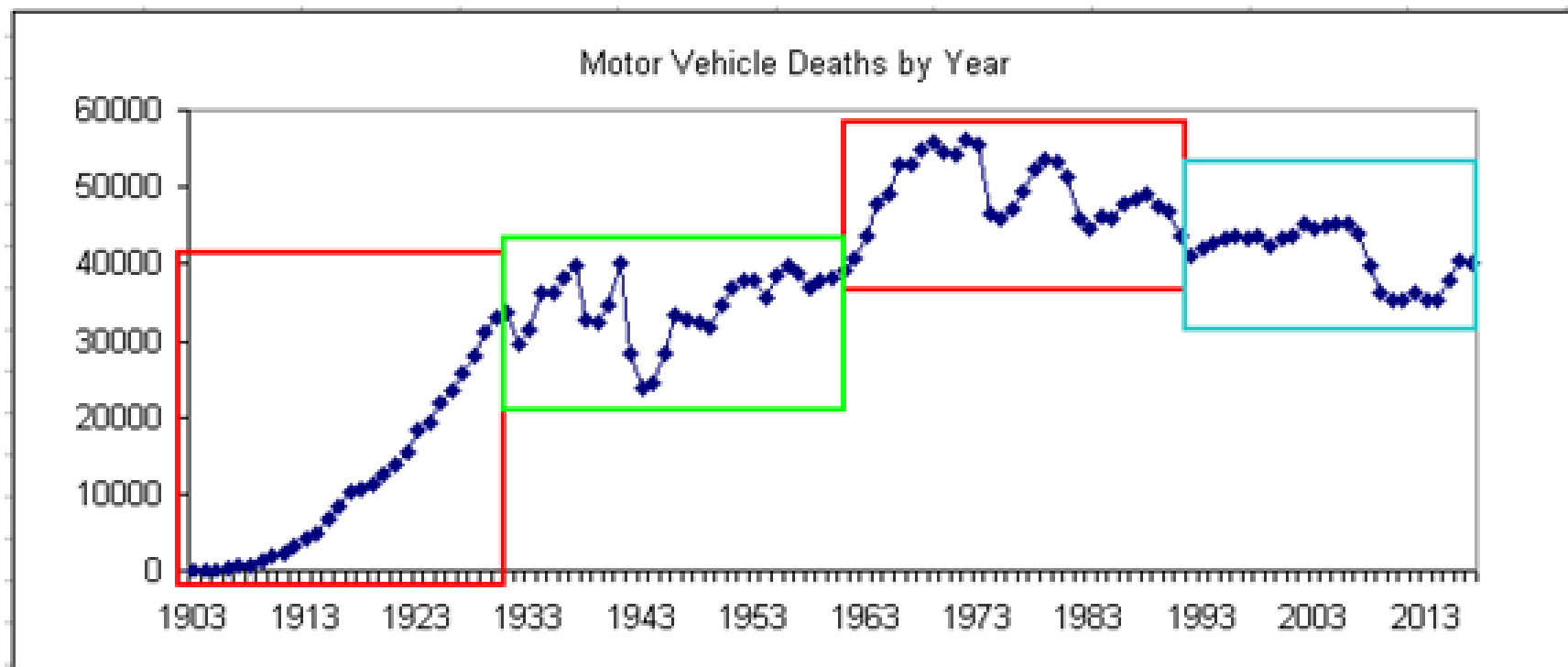
Chicago Tribune December 14, 2018

DETROIT (AP) — Traffic deaths on U.S. roads fell slightly in 2017 after two straight years of big increases, but a leading safety organization that compiled the numbers says it's no cause for celebration.

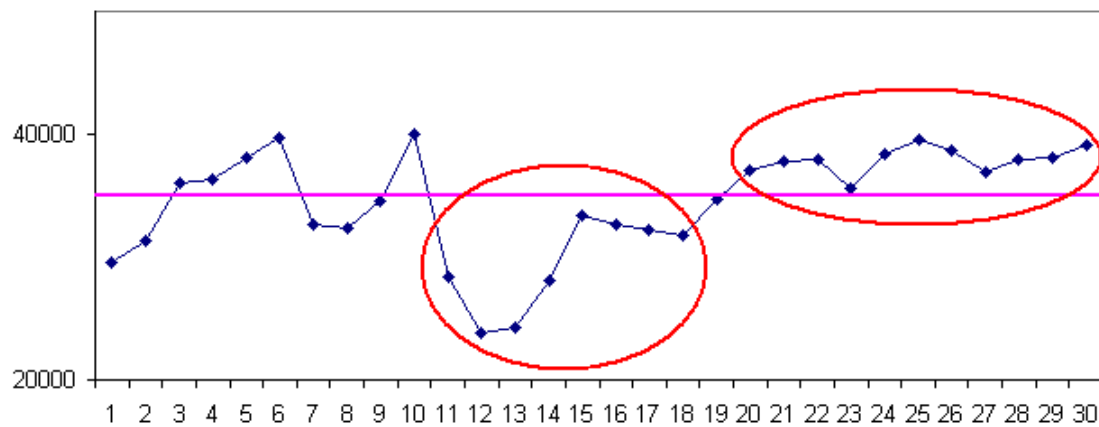
The National Safety Council on February 15 estimated that 40,100 people were killed in traffic crashes last year, down just under 1 percent from the 2016 total of 40,327. The group said it's too early to tell whether the small decline means a downward trend after a two-year spike in deaths that was blamed largely on people driving more miles as the economy improved as well as an increase in distracted driving.

1998	43501
1999	42401
2000	43354
2001	43788
2002	45380
2003	44757
2004	44933
2005	45343
2006	45316
2007	43945
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2015	37757
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2017	40100

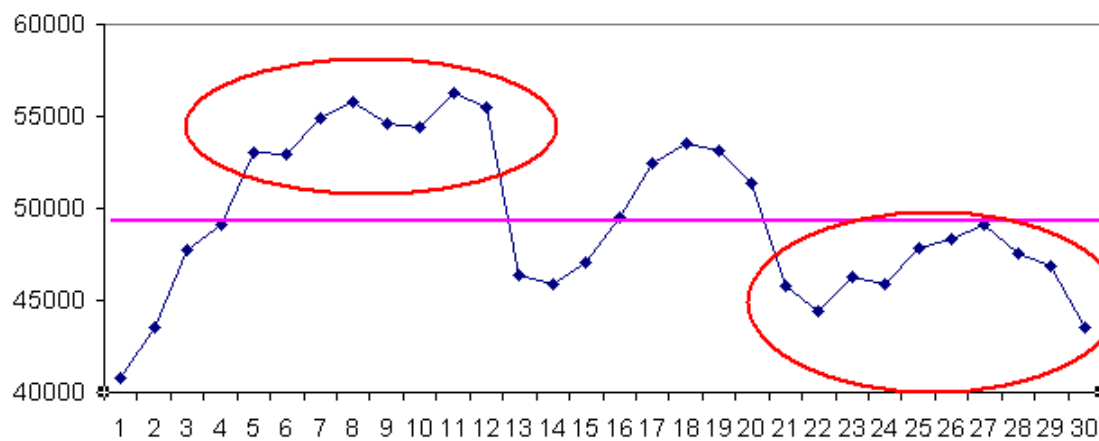




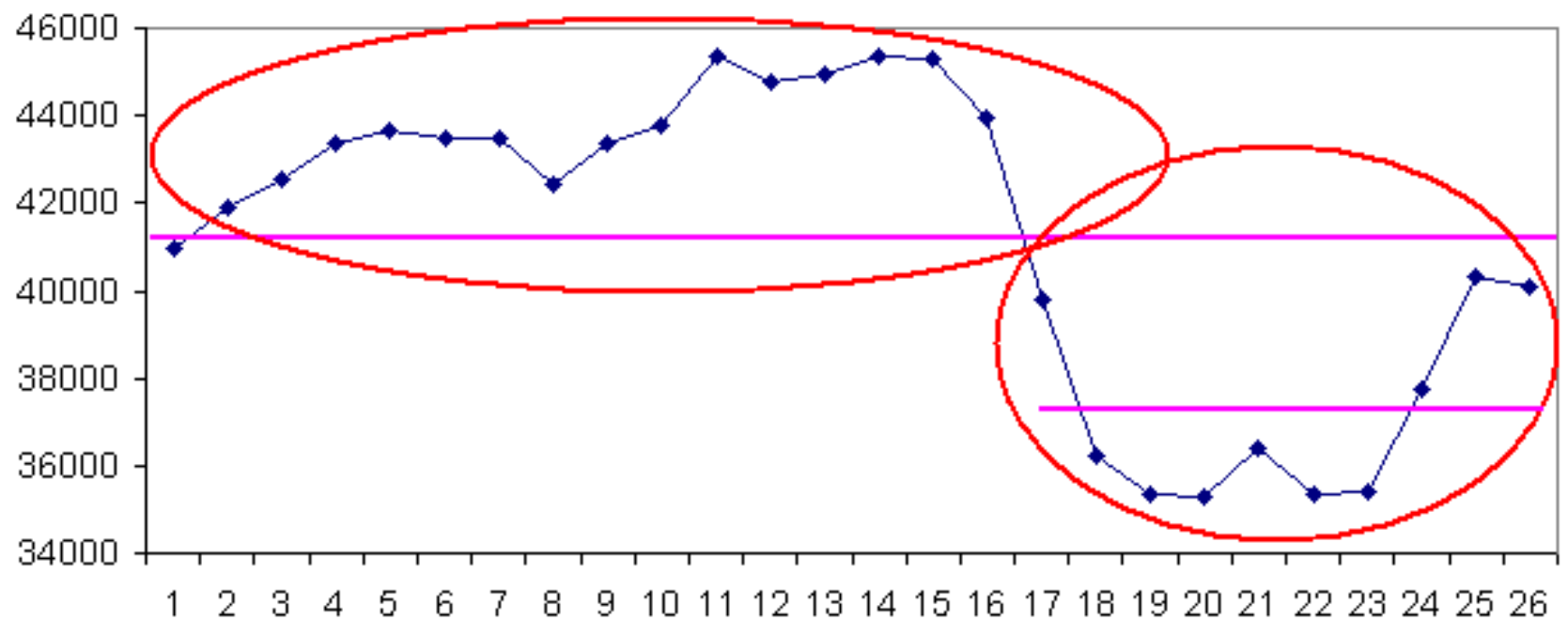
1932 to 1961

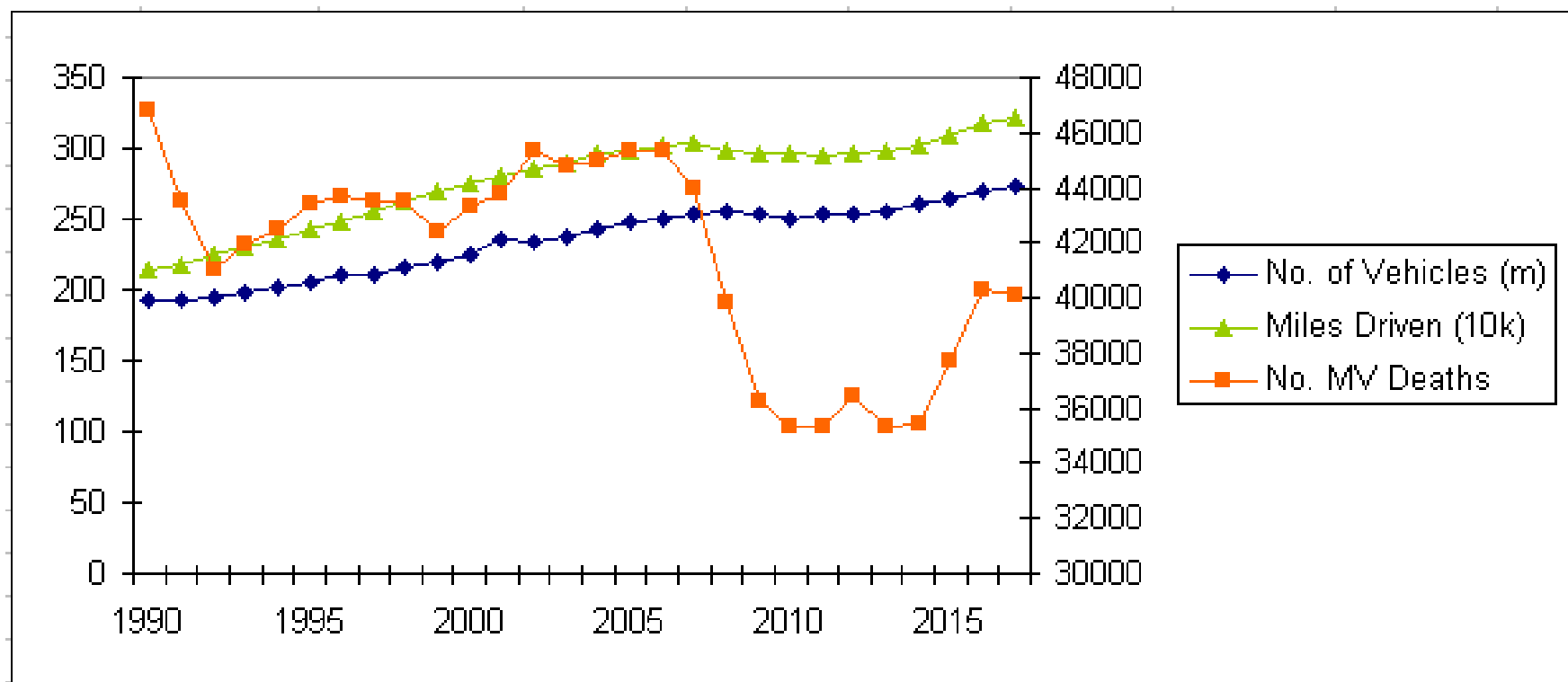


1962 to 1991



1992 to 2017





# Data Visualization

- Creating charts in Excel
  - Fall\_Dashboard\_Data\_2021.xlsx
  - Generic\_Dashboard\_Data\_2021.xlsx
  - Medication\_Dashboard\_Data\_2021.xlsx
  - Pressure\_Ulcer\_Dashboard\_Data\_2021.xlsx

# Using Visualization for Communication

- Reports/Dashboards
  - IHI Visual Management Board  
<http://www.ihi.org/resources/Pages/Tools/Visual-Management-Board.aspx>
  - Chart Chooser <http://labs.juiceanalytics.com/chartchooser/index.html>
- Infographics
  - Examples <https://www.ahrq.gov/data/infographics/index.html>
  - Tool: Piktochart <https://piktochart.com/formats/infographics/>

# Evaluating Scorecards, Dashboards, and Board Reports

- Joywave Hospital Acute Operational Dashboard FY2021.xlsx
- Joywave Hospital Acute Operational Dashboard FY2022.xlsx

# Evaluating Scorecards, Dashboards, and Board Reports

- Provider Quality Scorecard.xlsx

# Evaluating Scorecards, Dashboards, and Board Reports

- REO Board Report with dashboard and scorecard.pdf

# Evaluating Scorecards, Dashboards, and Board Reports

- SCH Organizational Quality Initiatives.xlsx

# Tomorrow.....

More fun putting  
together scorecards,  
dashboards, and board  
reports!