Polishing Your Analysis Tools Until They Are Shiny

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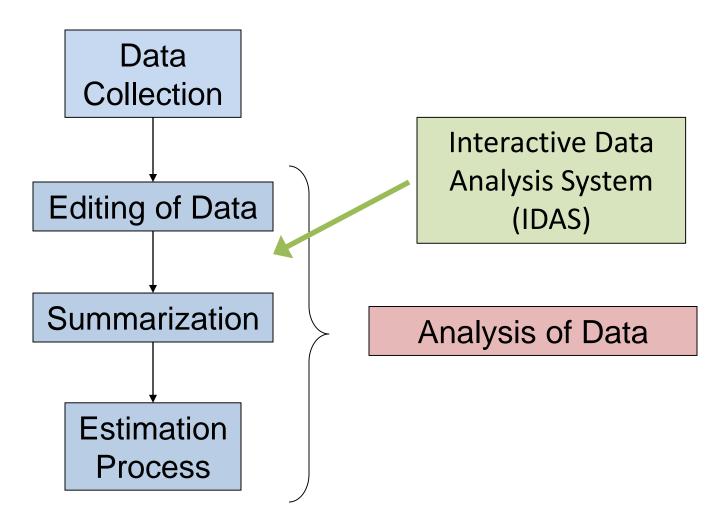
 NASS is committed to providing timely, accurate, and useful statistics in service to U.S. agriculture.

- Over 400 reports annually.
 - Census of Agriculture every 5 years.
- Majority of reports driven by surveys





Traditional NASS Survey Process







What is IDAS?

- Analysis tool built using SAS/AF
- First tool deployed in 1994
 - Used by analysts in headquarters and our twelve regional offices guided analysis
 - Written and maintained by statisticians in Methodology Division
- Motivation to change...
 - SAS no longer releasing any AF updates or enhancements
 - Architecture updates
 - Enhance our analysis capabilities





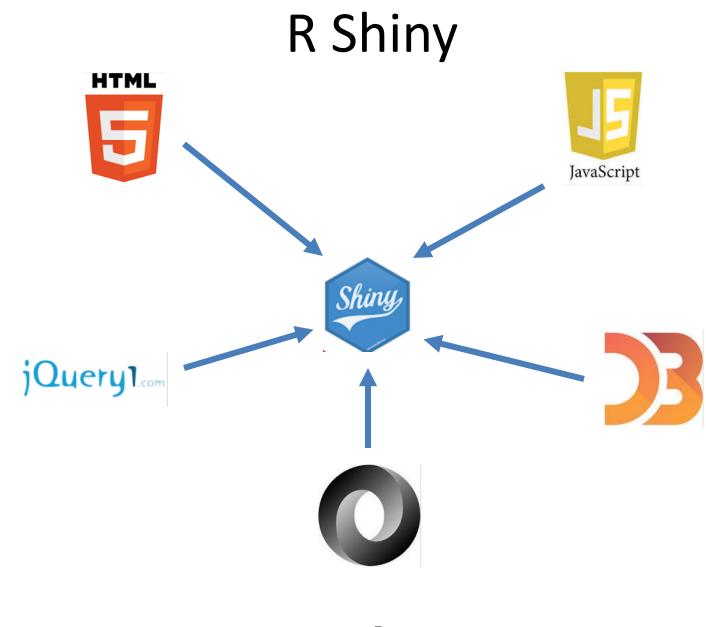
What is R Shiny?

• Shiny helps you make interactive web applications for visualizing data. Bring R data analysis to life.

• Shiny combines the computational power of R with the interactivity of the modern web.









R Shiny App Basics

server.R

 Defines functionality of app

ui.R

Defines app layout





Why R Shiny?

- Shiny <u>User Showcase</u> looks promising
- Some familiarity with R
 - More familiarity coming?

Use	Java	JMP	Python	R	SAS	Tableau	
Rarely	122	128	90	74	101	103	
Monthly	6	4	21	22	12	8	
Weekly	2	4	10	14	9	9	
Daily	6	0	27	29	16	14	
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Where should you start? Proof of Concept

Assess the viability of a software product solving a business need

- Does it have functionality to replace old application?
- Is it secure?
- Is it scalable?
- etc.





Proof of Concept Part 1 Scatter Plots

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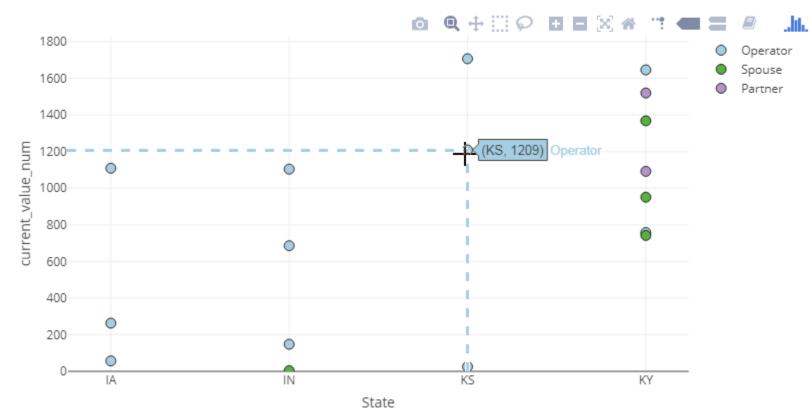






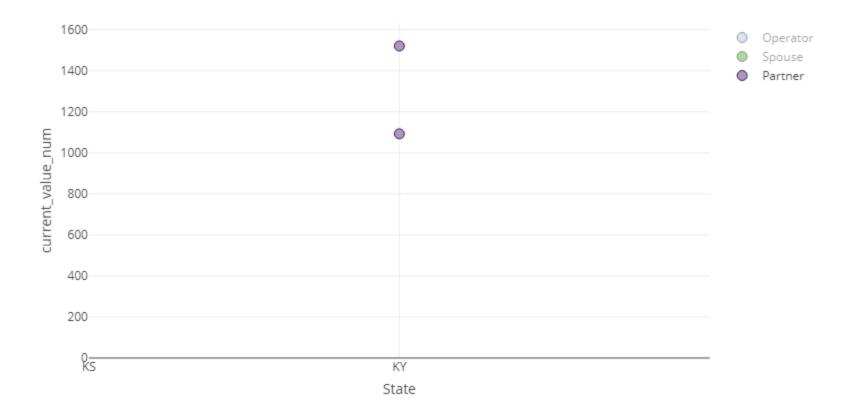








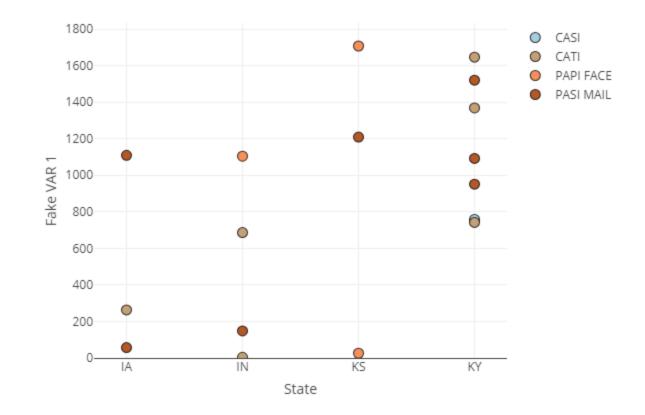




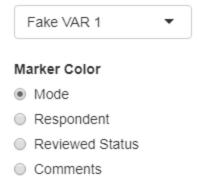






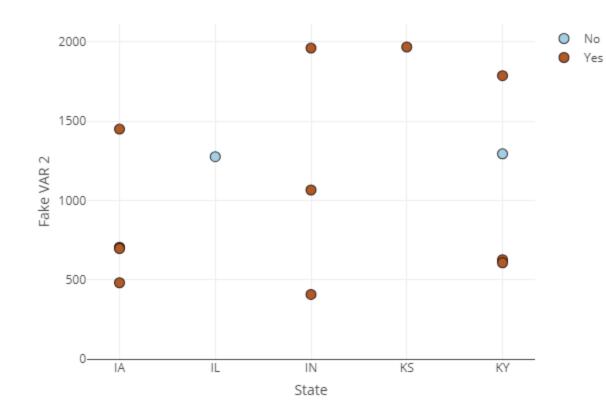


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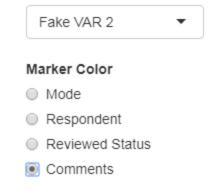






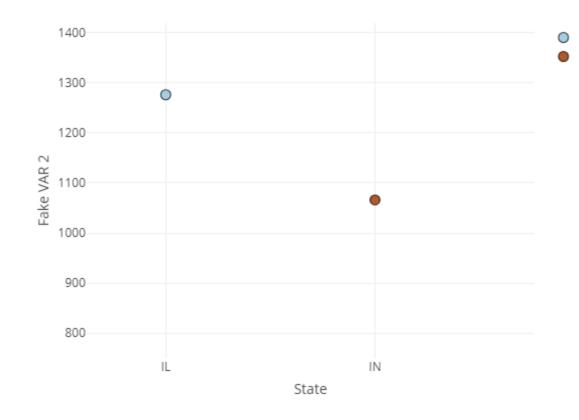


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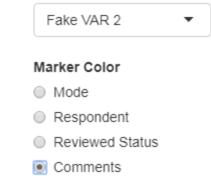




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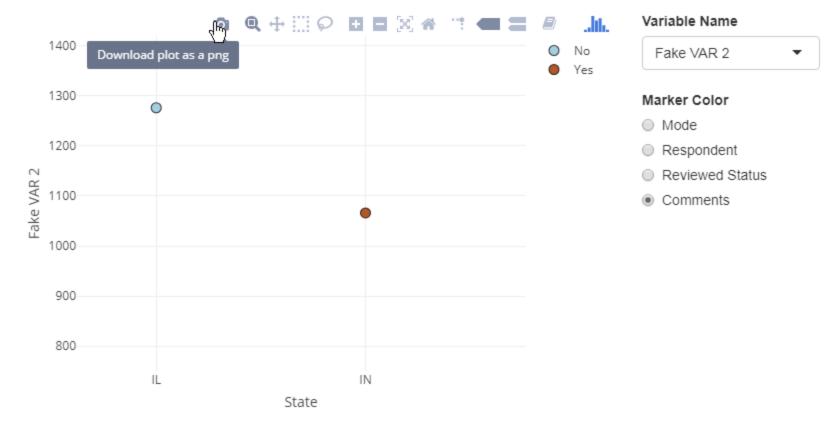
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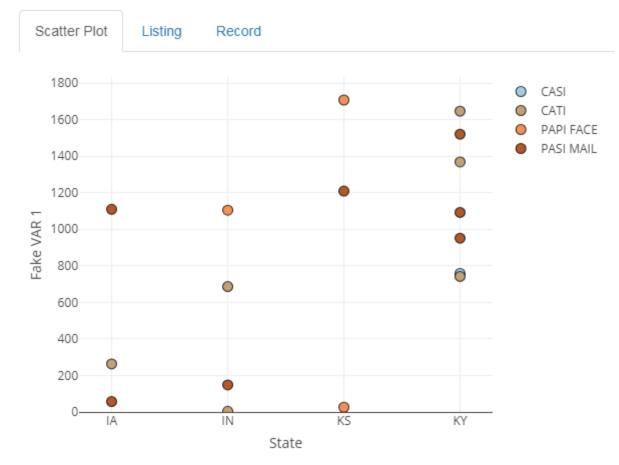












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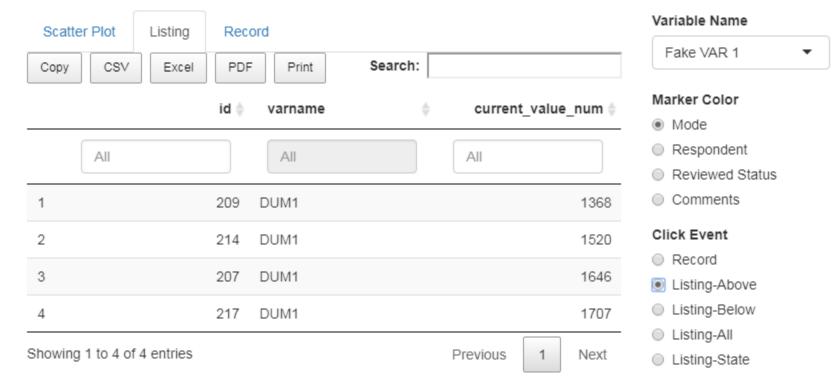
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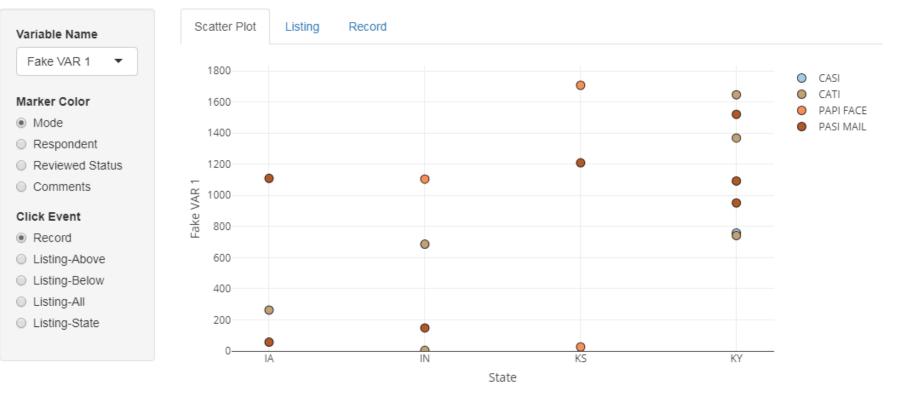
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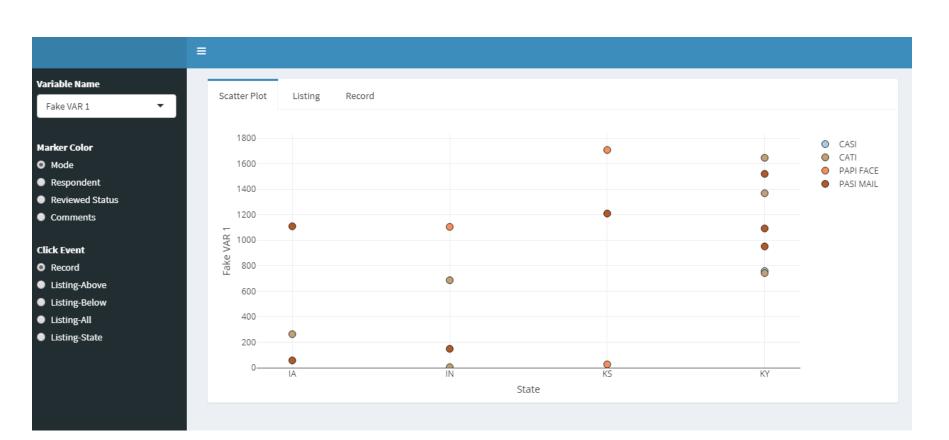






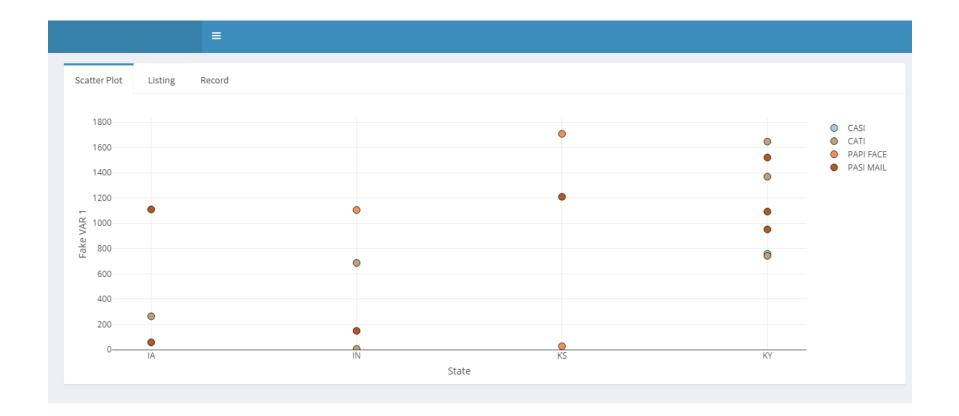












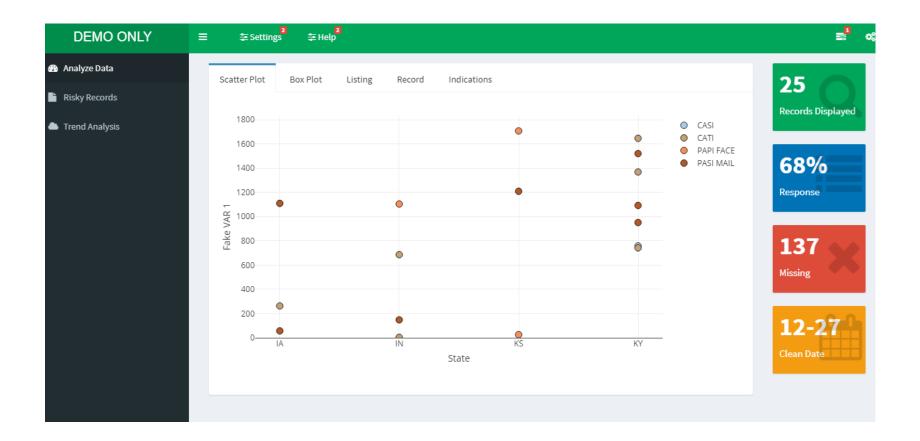






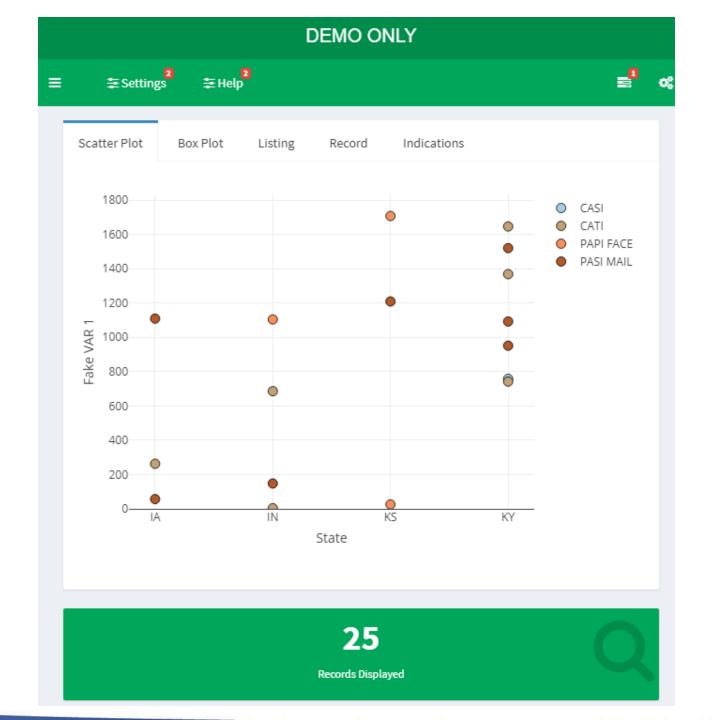






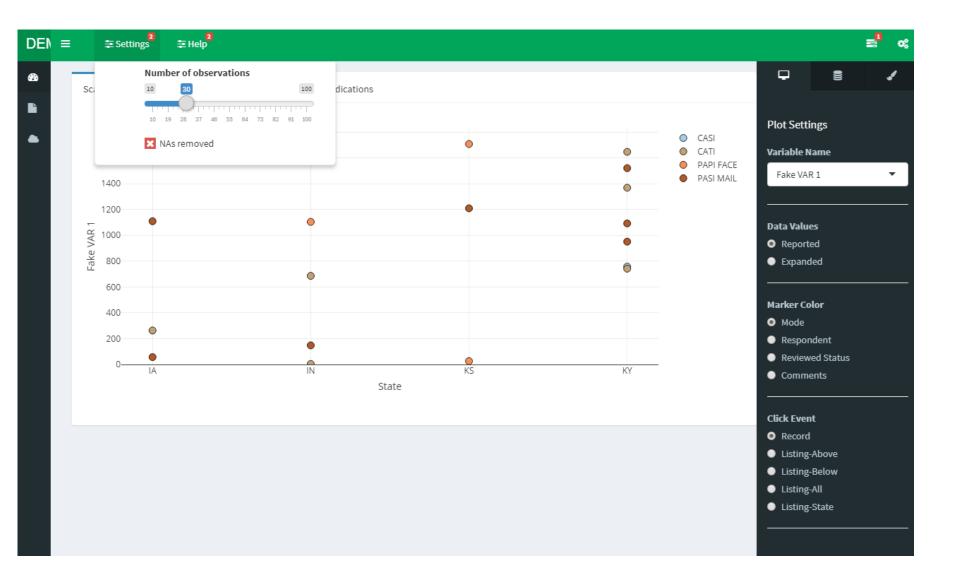














Useful Packages

- ggplot2
- plotly
- shinydashboard
- shinydashboardPlus
- data.table
- esquiesse
- leaflet





Conclusion

- R shiny has shown necessary capability...so far.
 - Need further development
 - Need to test deployment strategy
 - Need to stress test
 - etc.
- Lots of questions to be answered...





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