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# Visualizing Data: Veracity, Accuracy, Accountability

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**Data visualization**—the visual depiction of data through charts, graphs, maps, and diagrams—is becoming increasingly important as a tool for exploration and communication. Indeed, data visualization should be seen as a significant component of the responsible conduct of research. However, it is not usually taught formally to scientists, statisticians, analysts, or other professionals who use it on a regular basis. This presentation aims to fill that gap with tips about how to make good decisions when designing data visualizations and about how to make such visualizations more compelling and informative.

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