Data journalism

Matt Waite

Professor of Practice

College of Journalism and Mass Communications

@mattwaite

Data journalism: the use of data, statistics and analysis to find stories of public interest. Stories can be maps, graphics and narratives.

My background

An example

[A visual example](#)

A local example, with code

The necessary skillset

- Curious
- Willing to ask questions
- Unafraid of making people mad
- Knowing the law
- A good writer
- A fast writer
- Can think on your feet

- Able to think analytically
- Can write code to produce analysis – Python, R, SQL are the most common.
- Can produce reproducible workflows.
- Other desired technical skills: GIS, web development, visualization, graph databases

Questions?