

Data Science in K12



Summary

1. The world is newly awash in data
2. Everyone needs data-related skills to navigate this new world
 - Decisions that used to be simple are now complex
 - Most jobs, and nearly all the good jobs, require these skills
3. We are not preparing our kids well for this change
4. Reshaping what we emphasize in math is critical
5. We want to work with you to make this change possible



**Every Second of Every
Day the World Creates
Enough Data to Fill Fifty
New Libraries of
Congress**



The Internet is Feeding This Phenomenon

More than 4 billion people are now on the Internet

Source: Internet Live Stats: <http://www.internetlivestats.com/>



So is the Proliferation of Smartphones

5 billion smartphones in the world in 2017

Source: GSMA Intelligence.
<https://www.gsma.com/newsroom/press-release/number-mobile-subscribers-worldwide-hits-5-billion/> ; Internet Live Stats: <http://www.internetlivestats.com/>

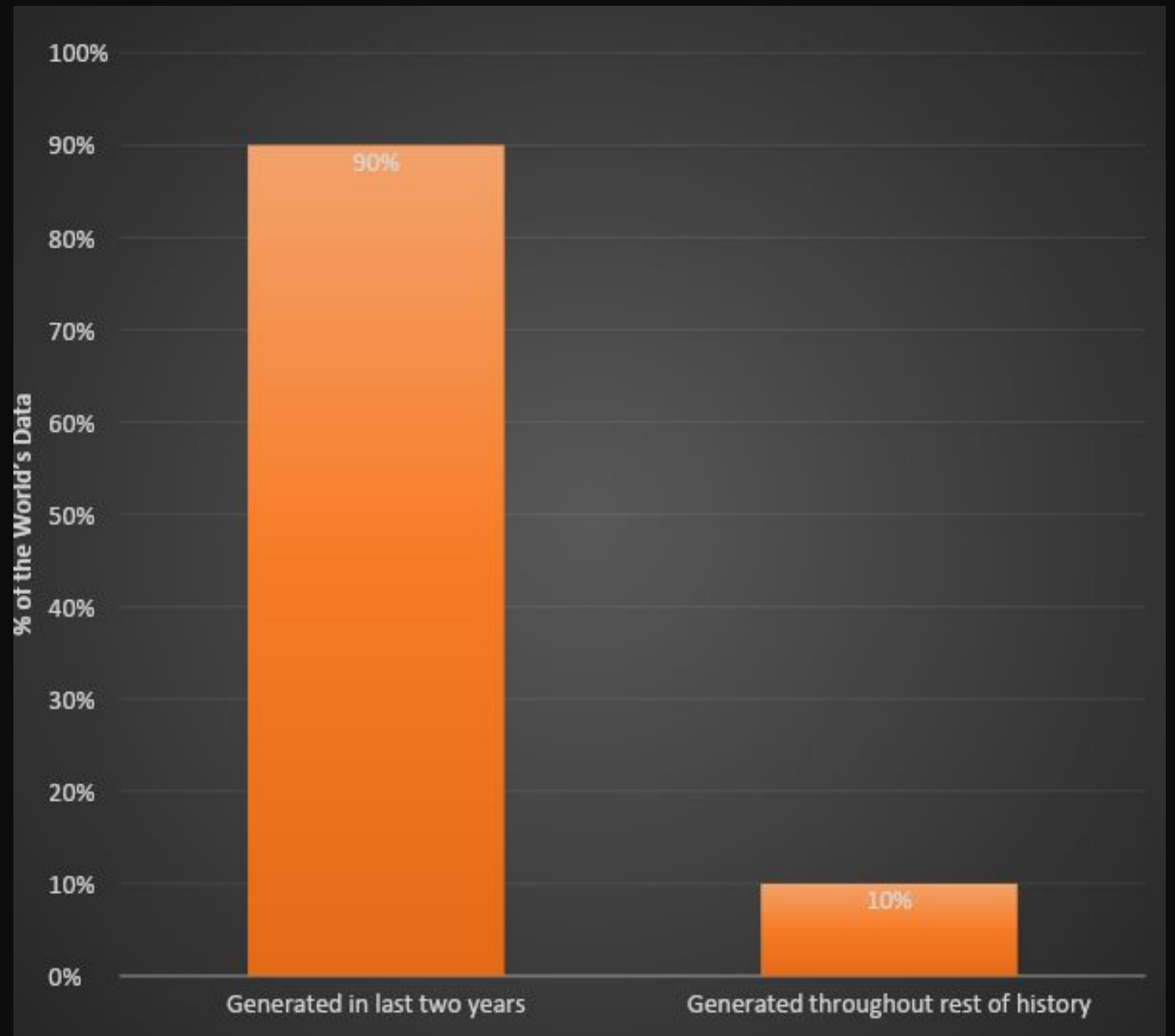
Immensely Powerful Computers in Our Pockets

Today's iPhone 8 has a thousand times more storage capacity than a multi-million dollar mainframe computer in the 1970s.



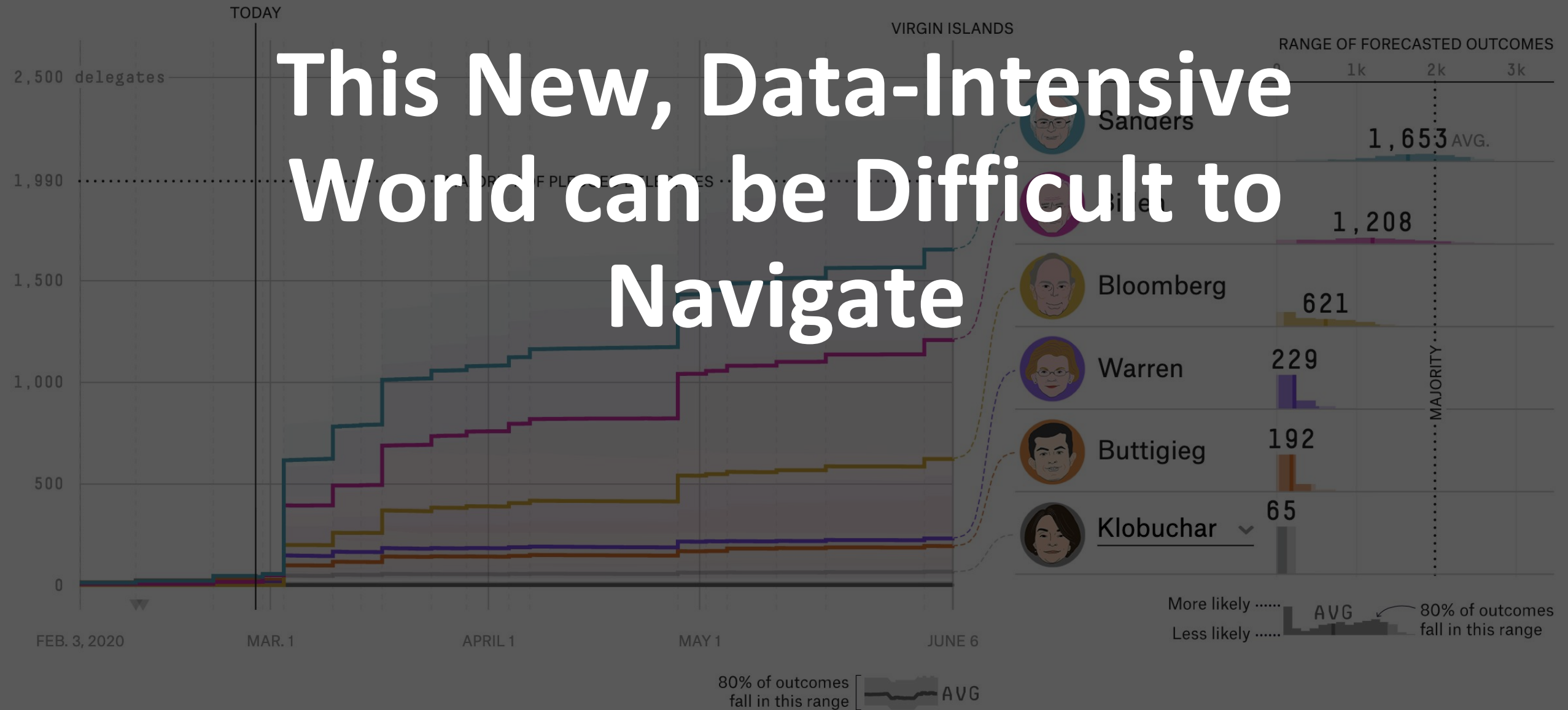
Source: RISC analysis of current Apple product specifications and historical IBM 370/model 145 specifications:
(<https://www.businessinsider.com/ibm-1970-mainframe-specs-are-ridiculous-today-2014-5>)

Feeding a Data Explosion –
90% of the
World's Data
Have Been
Created in the
Last Two Years



ThirtyEight's model simulates the primary season thousands of times to find the most likely outcome for each candidate. The chart shows how many delegates, on average, each candidate is projected to have pledged to them at each point in the primary season, along with a range of possible delegate counts. We're also showing the distribution of simulated final pledged delegate counts in the table, where taller bars mean a more likely outcome. Right now, many candidates, even the front-runners, wind up with tall bars close to zero — generally, those are simulations where the candidate dropped out before having a chance to accumulate many delegates.

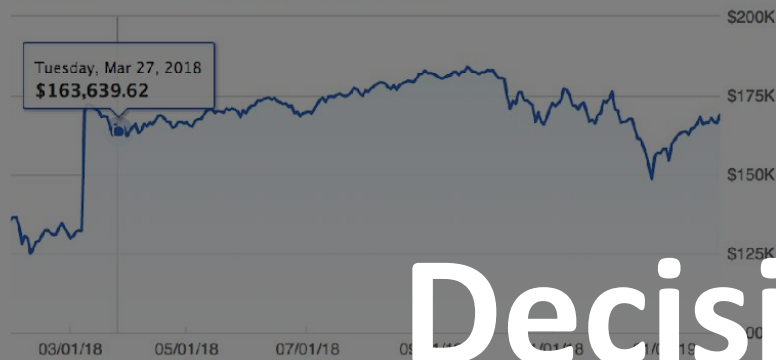
This New, Data-Intensive World can be Difficult to Navigate



Decisions That Used to be Straightforward are Now More Complex

Your Balance History

1-Month | **1-Year** | 2-Year | Year-to-Date



See how recent account activity may have affected your balance.

Showing 01/30/2018 - 01/30/2019. Excludes Institutional Health Services, life insurance accounts, and stock plan accounts.

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Mid-Day ETF Update: ETFs, Stocks Mixed as Street Digests Earnings, Economic Data

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ETF Preview: ETFs, Futures Mostly Higher on Fed's Policy Shift; Facebook Leads Gainers on Record Q4 Profit

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SPDR S&P 500 ETF Trust: Pivot points (TheFlyOnTheWall)

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Your Asset Allocation¹

The current asset allocation of your selected accounts most closely resembles **Most Aggressive**.

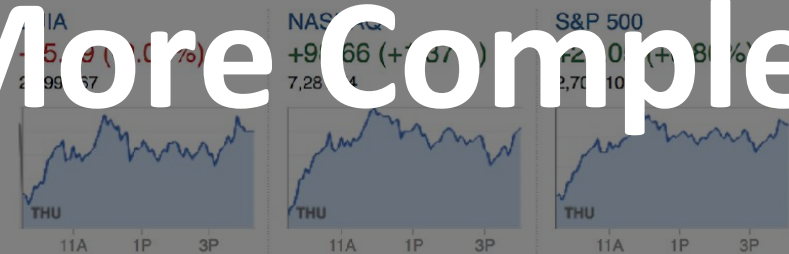


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Today's Markets

U.S. Markets Closed.



Crude Oil 54.02 -0.39% | Gold 1,319.70 +0.75% | US 10 Year 26.35 -2.23%

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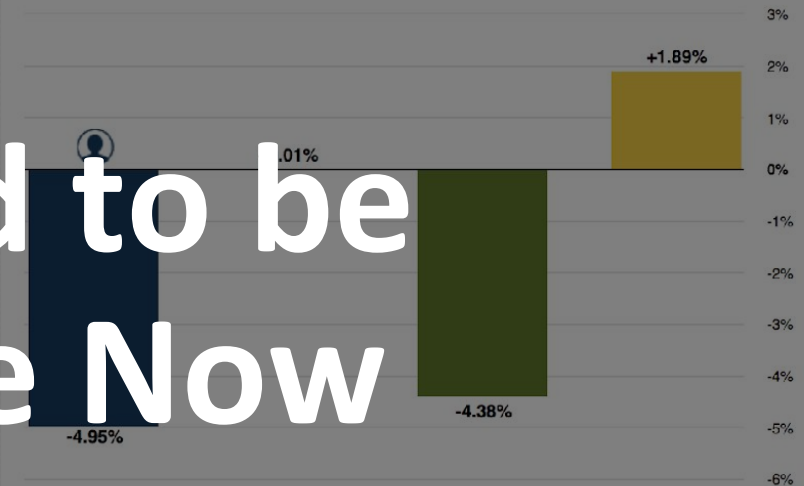
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Your Top & Bottom Movers

Symbol	Today's Gain/Loss	Last Price
SPY	\$1,447.60 (0.88%)	\$269.930
SPDR S&P500 ETF TRUST S&P 500 ETF USD DIS		

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Is Drinking Wine Better Than Going To The Gym? According To Scientists, Yes!



By Natalie Roterman | Sep 15 2014, 04:51PM EDT



Source: <https://www.buzzfeed.com/carolynkylstra/hype-in-health-journalism>

Extra glass of wine a day 'will shorten your life by 30 minutes'

Drinking is as harmful as smoking, and more than five drinks a week lowers life expectancy, say researchers



▲ Health benefits from drinking alcohol? Sorry, but it's just another case of something that is too good to be true, say experts. Photograph: Inti St Clair/Getty Images/Blend Images

Source:

<https://www.theguardian.com/science/2018/apr/12/one-extra-glass-of-wine-will-shorten-your-life-by-30-minutes>

Separating Fact from Fiction is Getting Harder



**Data are
Changing the
Nature of Our
Work. Fixing a
Car Used to be
Simpler**



**Today's Mechanics
are Immersed in Data**

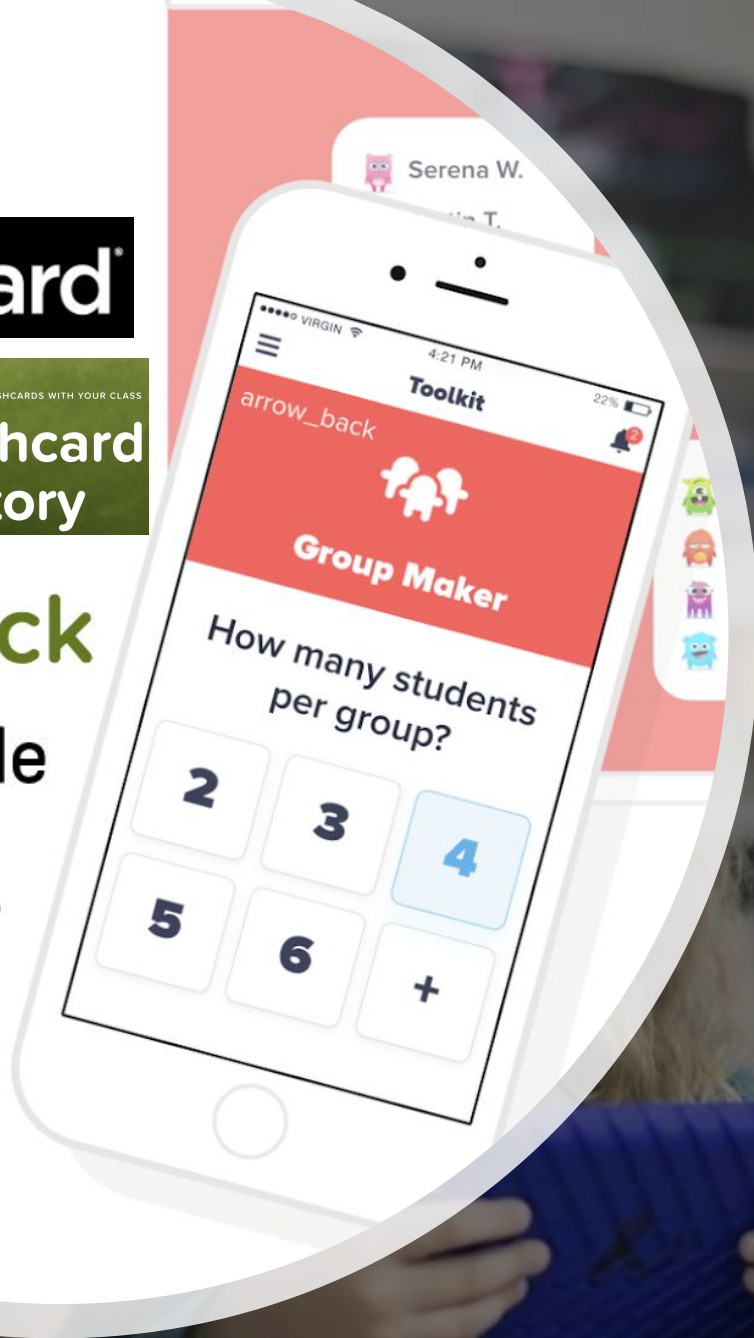
Teachers Have Had to Adapt Too



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**Today's Teachers
Work with Data Daily**

Employers are Desperate to Find People with Data-Related Skills



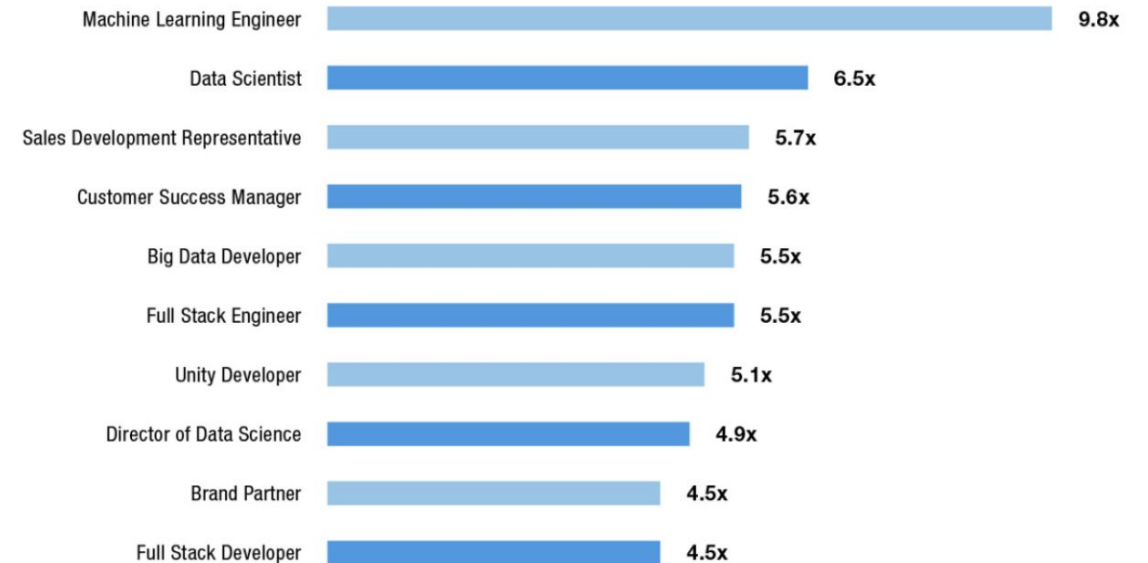
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40%

of U.S. companies report difficulty in filling positions because of a lack of STEM skills.¹

Source: <https://www.brookings.edu/interactives/still-searching-job-vacancies-and-stem-skills/>

Top 10 Emerging Jobs



Source: <https://business.linkedin.com/talent-solutions/blog/trends-and-research/2017/here-are-the-20-fastest-growing-jobs-in-the-us>

College Students are Responding by Changing Their Majors

Top Majors at Stanford in 2015

1. Computer Science
2. Human Biology
3. Engineering
4. Mechanical Engineering
5. Science, Technology & Society

Source: <https://stanfordmag.org/contents/the-five-most-popular-majors-at-stanford>

Student Majors at Harvard

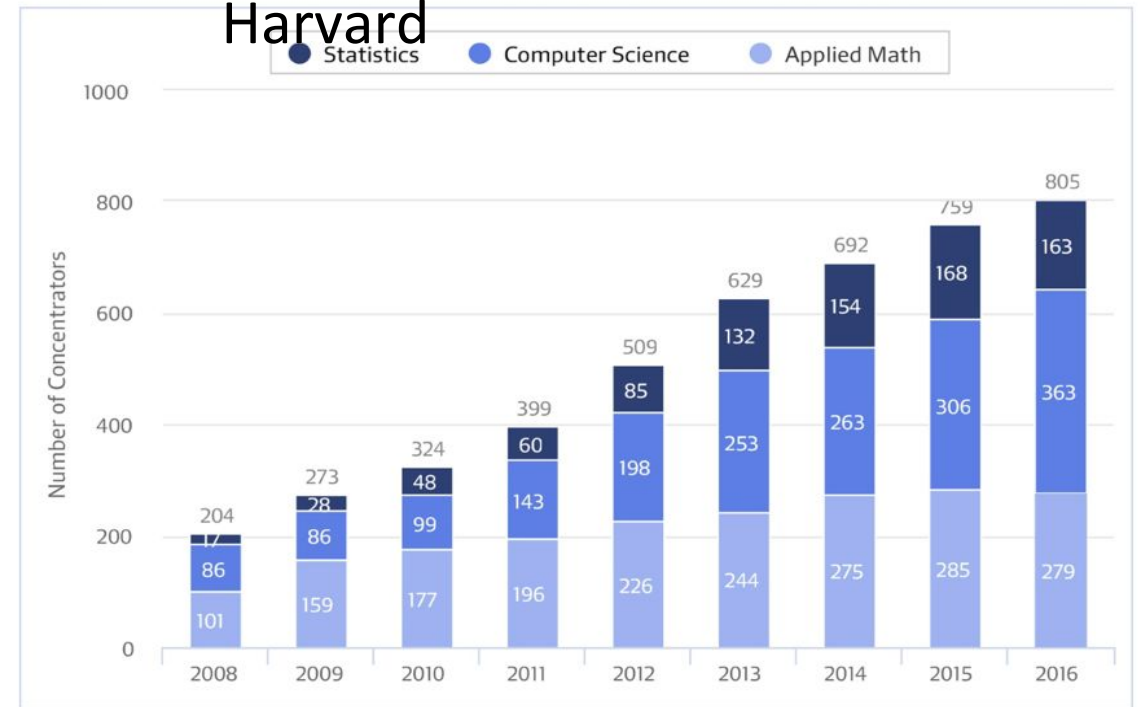


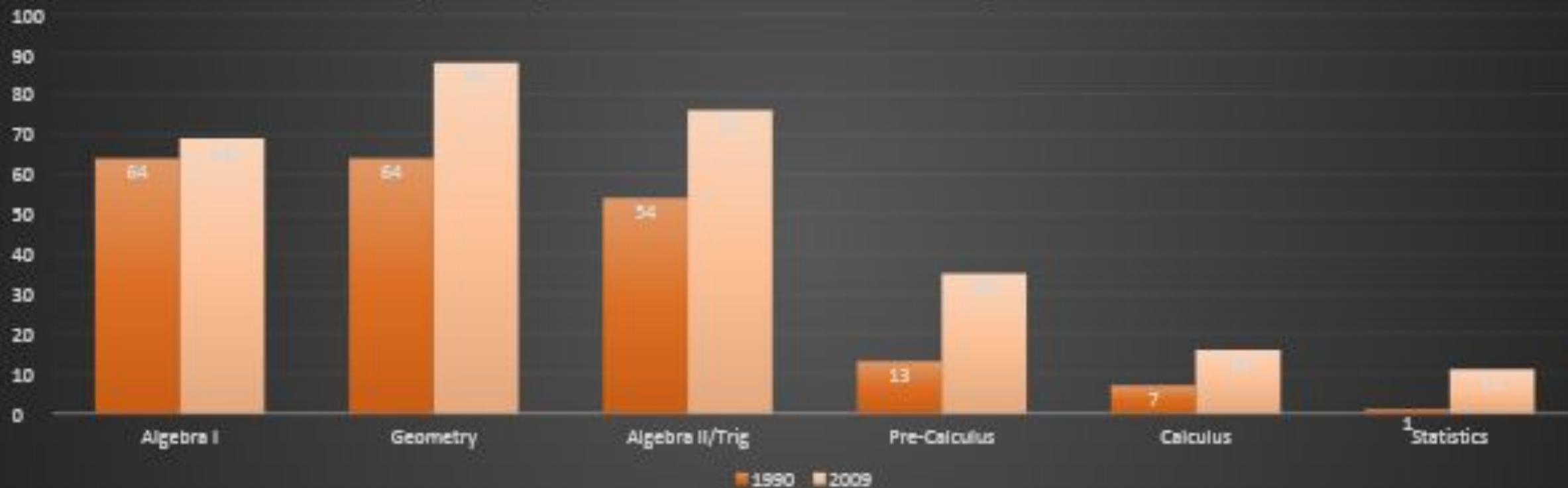
Photo: Morgan J. Spaulding

Source: <http://www.exploringcs.org/archives/resources/cs-statistics>



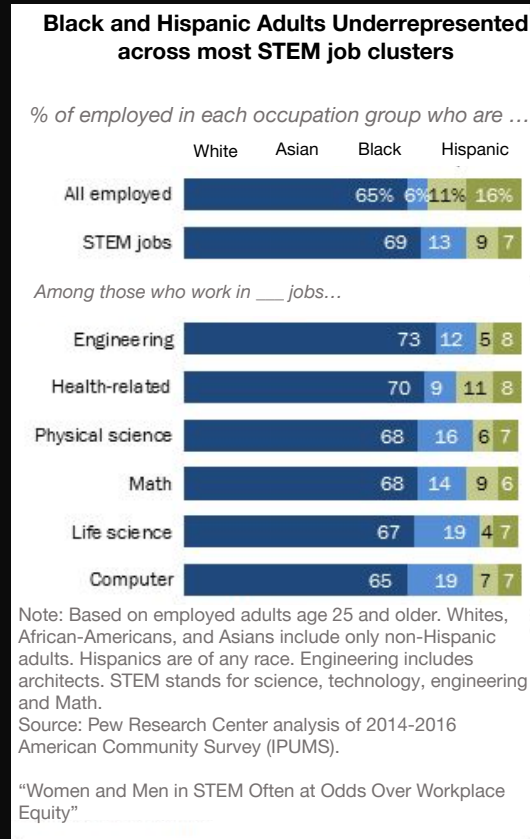
But What About Our High School Students? Data Science is Absent from the Curriculum.

Percentage of High School Students Who Completed Select Courses



Underserved Students Pay the Highest Price

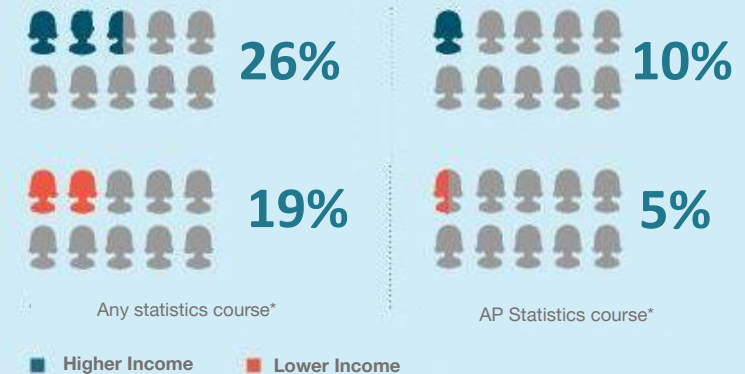
Racial disparities



Socioeconomic disparities

Low-income students are less likely to take statistics courses

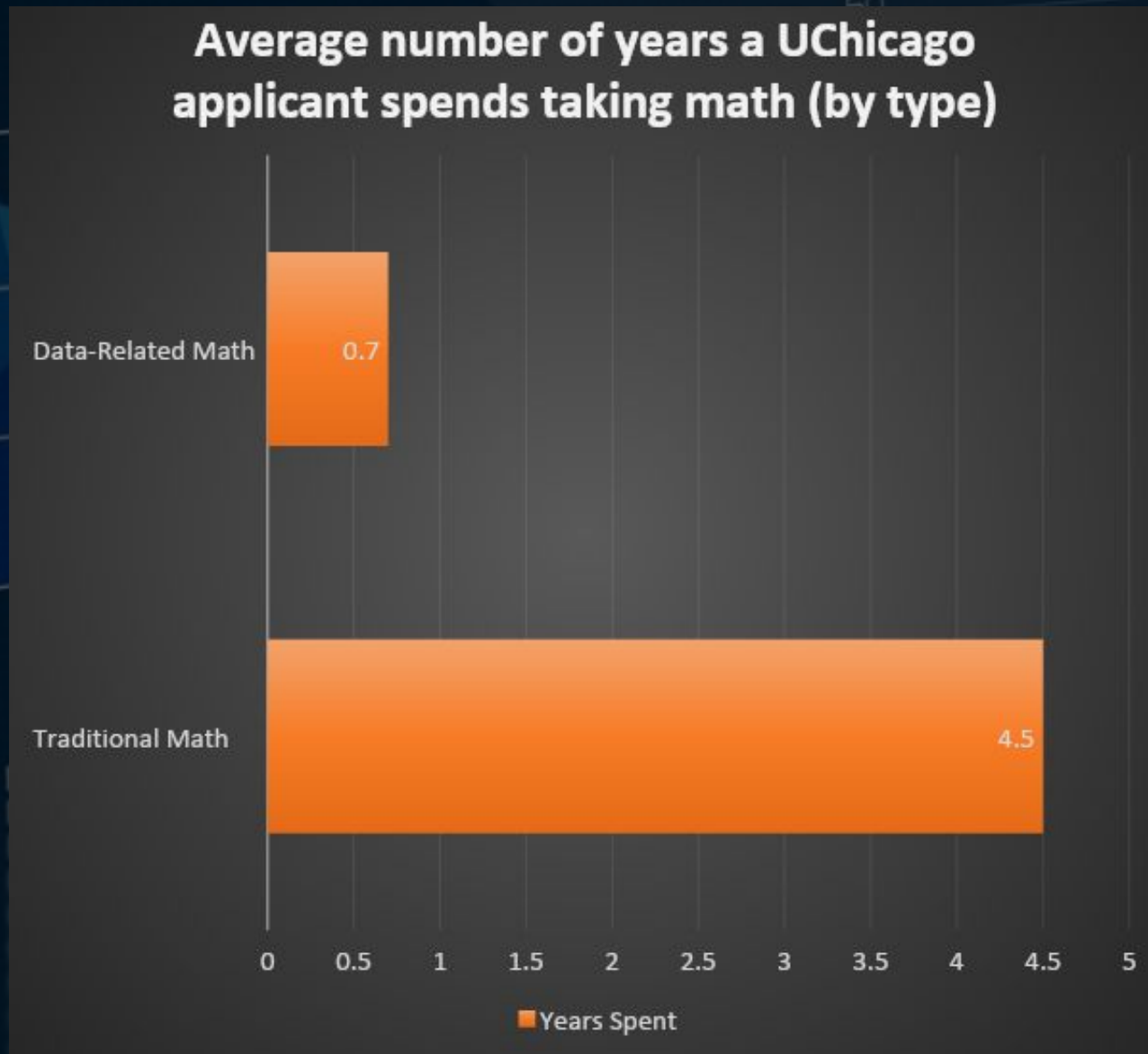
Percentage of 12th-graders who have taken at least one statistics course, 2015



Source: <http://www.pewsocialtrends.org/2018/01/09/diversity-in-the-stem-workforce-varies-widely-across-jobs/>

Source: http://blogs.edweek.org/edweek/curriculum/2016/09/1_in_4_high_school_seniors_take_statistics.html

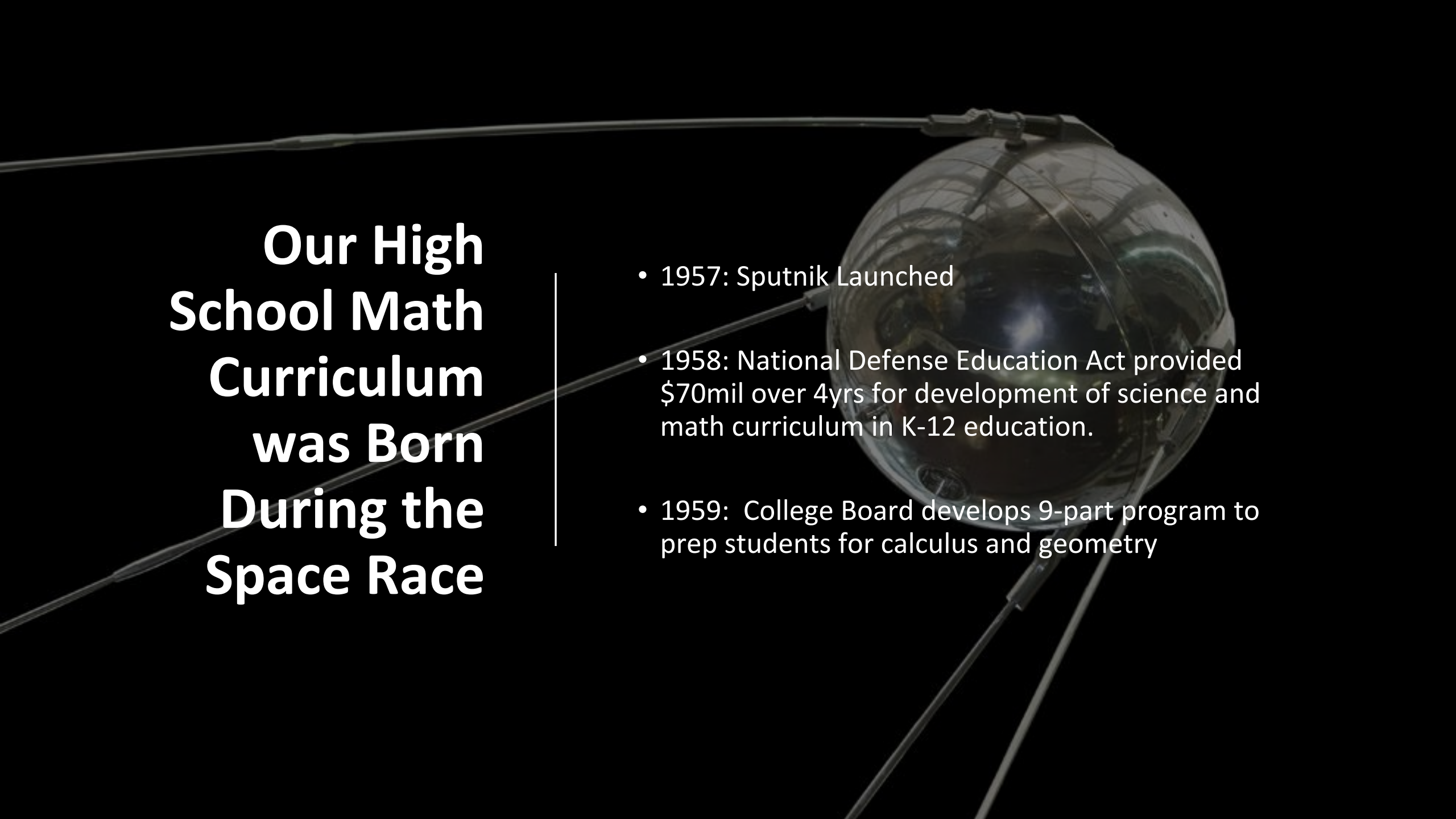
Even the Most Privileged Students with the Most Opportunities, Learn Little About Data



* Includes statistics, computer science, research-focused courses

** includes algebra, geometry, algebra II, and calculus

Source: Representative sample of transcript data from 250 applicants to the University of Chicago

A black and white photograph of the Sputnik satellite, showing its spherical body and long trailing antennas against a dark background.

Our High School Math Curriculum was Born During the Space Race

- 1957: Sputnik Launched
- 1958: National Defense Education Act provided \$70mil over 4yrs for development of science and math curriculum in K-12 education.
- 1959: College Board develops 9-part program to prep students for calculus and geometry

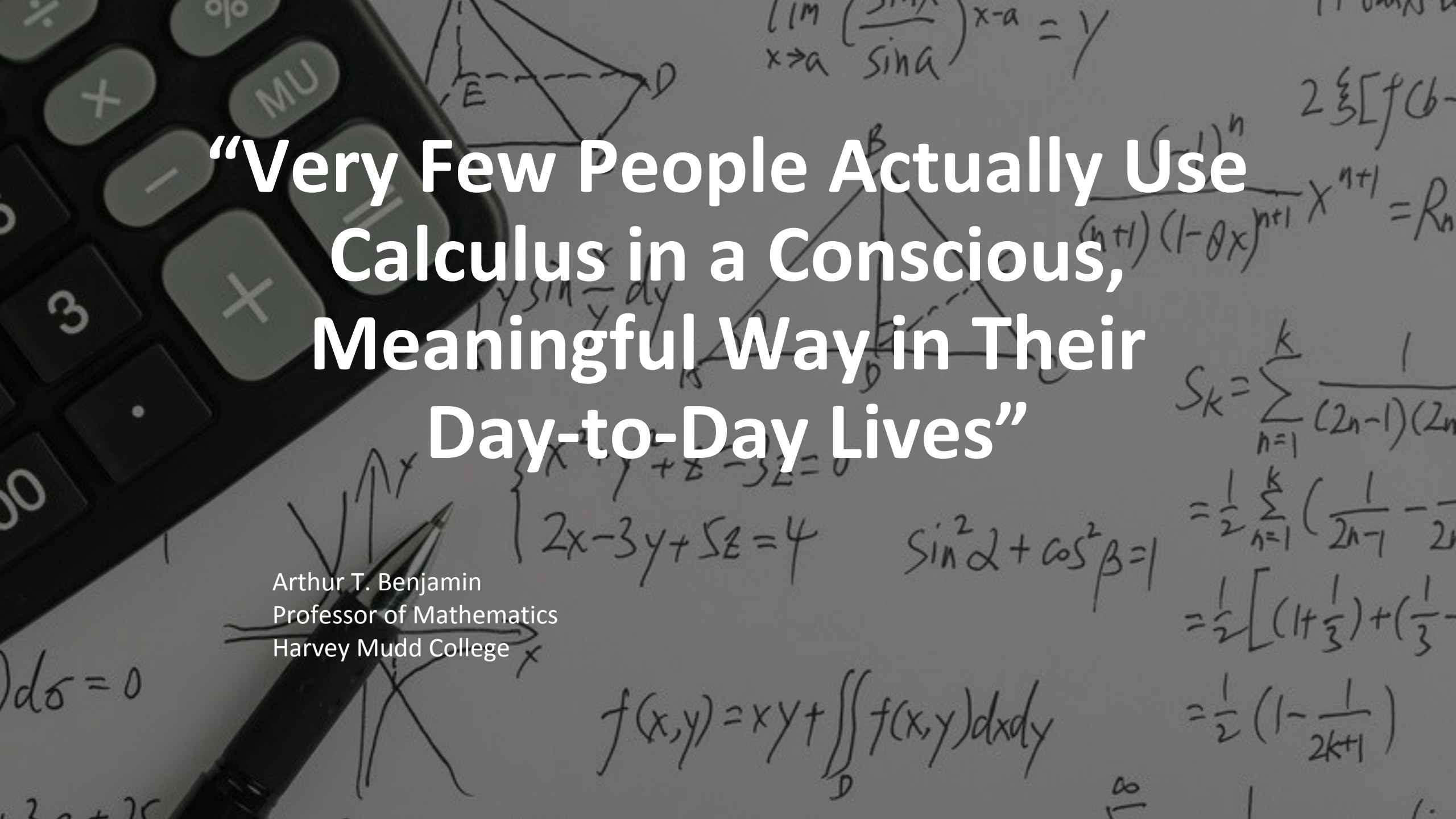


**When Calculus was King and
Engineers were Needed to
Build Our Rockets**

When Computers and Data were Far Less Important to Our Success

- The Apollo Guidance Control computer had less computing power than a classic Nintendo GAME BOY (first introduced in 1989)

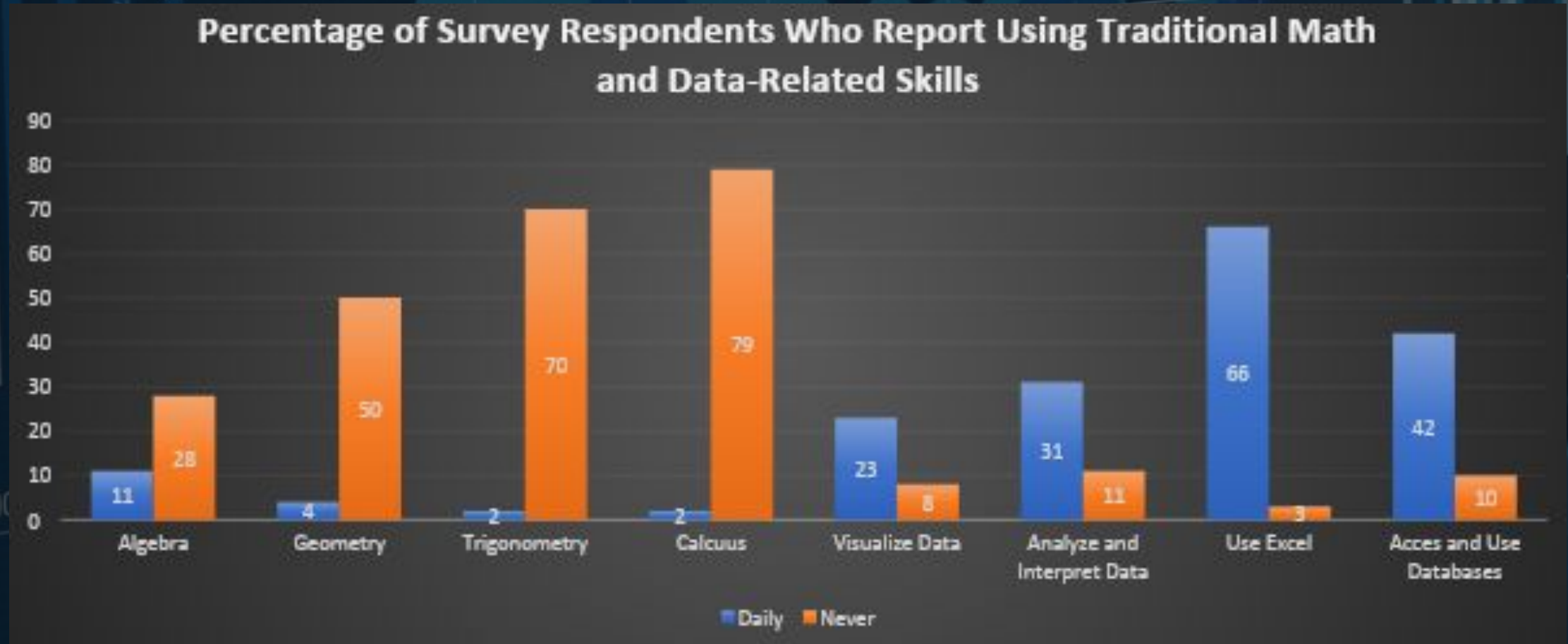




“Very Few People Actually Use Calculus in a Conscious, Meaningful Way in Their Day-to-Day Lives”

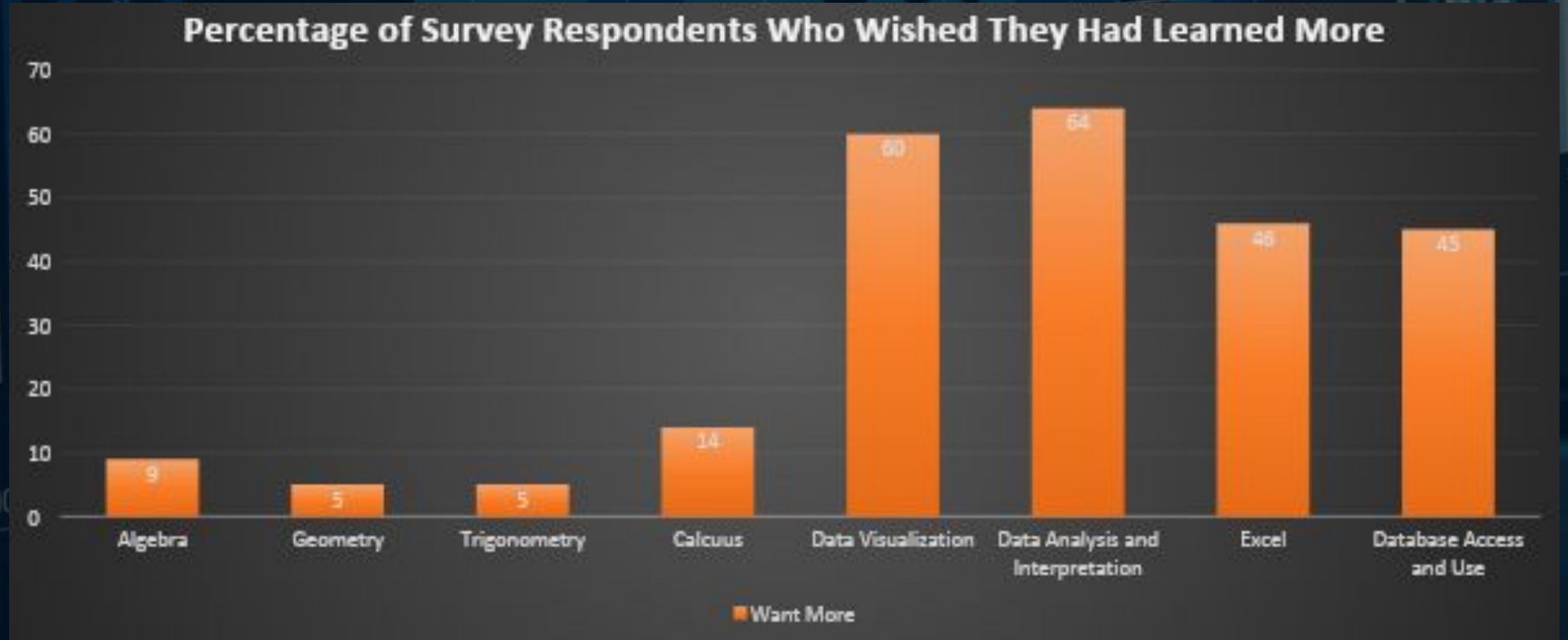
Arthur T. Benjamin
Professor of Mathematics
Harvey Mudd College

A Tiny Fraction of Today's Workers Use Traditional High School Math, But They Do Use Data Frequently



Source: Survey distributed via Freakonomics tweets and web site; respondents not representative—skewed male, higher income, higher education

Many of Today's Workers Wish They Had Learned Different Math



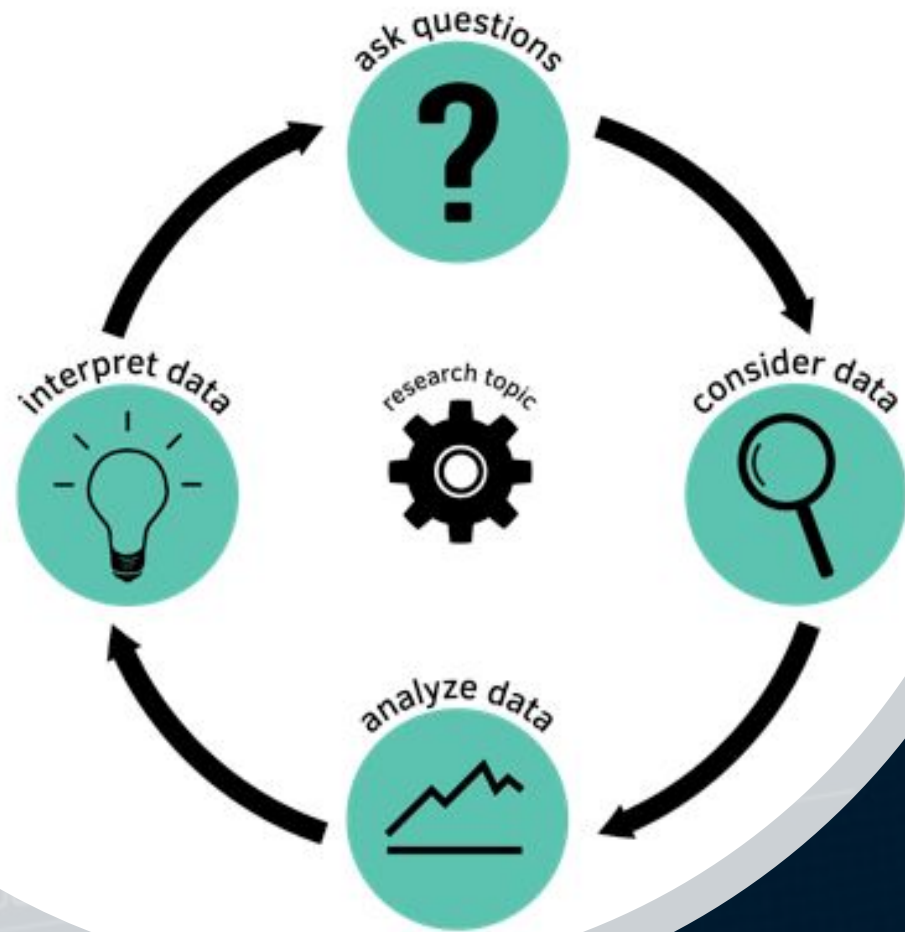
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Today's World Requires We Know How to:

- Find information and sort the good from the bad
- Interpret data from tables and charts
- Analyze data to discover hidden insights
- Visualize and present data to make an argument
- Use common analytical software (e.g. Excel, Google Spreadsheets)

The Data Cycle



So We Need to Teach Our High School Children How to . . .

Ask Questions

- Generate hypotheses

Consider Data

- Understand how data are used to address real-world problems and are used in all facets of modern life

Analyze Data

- Analyze statistical graphics to identify patterns in data and to connect these patterns back to the real world

Interpret Data

- Critically evaluate shortcomings and strengths in the data and the data collection process



And Help Students...

- Develop computational and statistical thinking skills
- Interpret categorical and quantitative data
- Make inferences and justify conclusions
- Seek data to answer questions or support/undermine claims
- Understand conditional probability and the rules of probability
- Evaluate and fit models to data
- Interpret analyses of data and communicate findings



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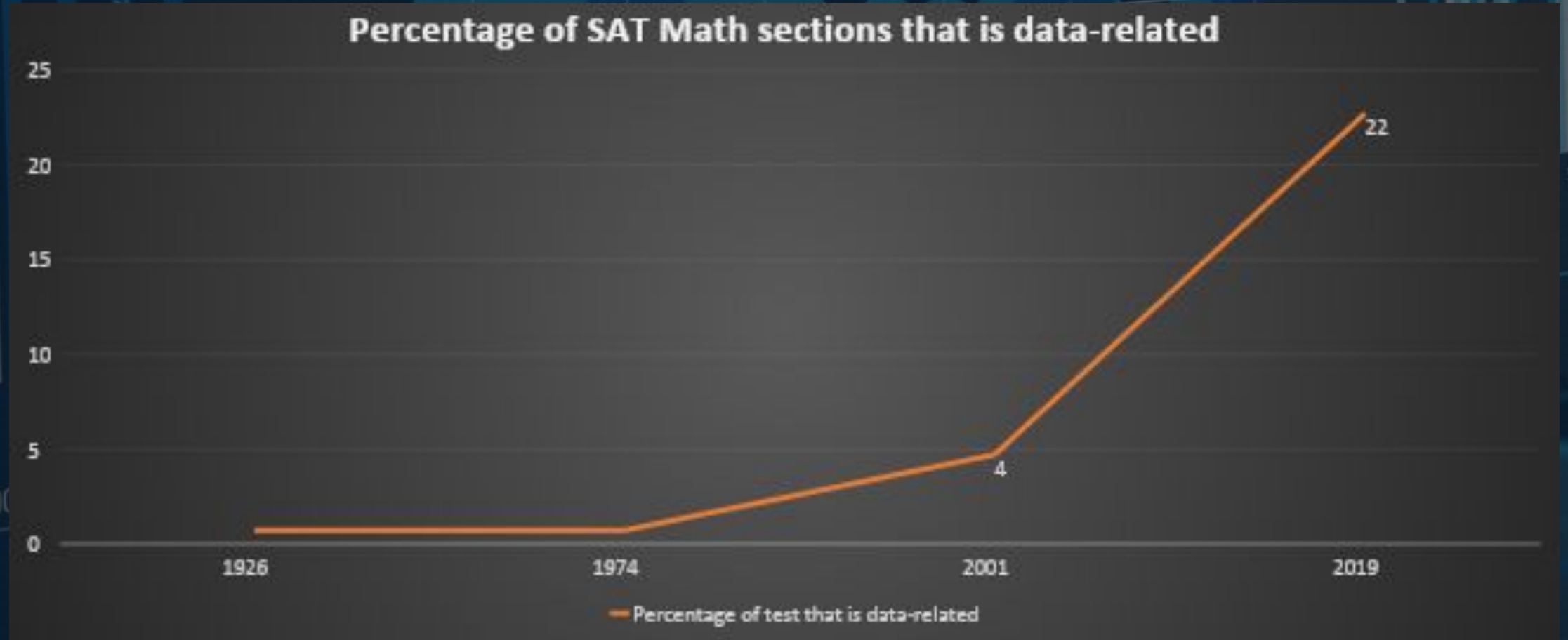


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Helping Students
Become Data Fluent Will
Better **Prepare Them for
College and the
Workforce** and Also
**Boost High-stakes Test
Scores**

Over Time, the SAT Has Changed to Reflect a Data-driven World



And Not Just in Math! Data Fluency is Throughout the SAT

Questions 12-22 are based on the following passage and supplementary material.

Dark Snow

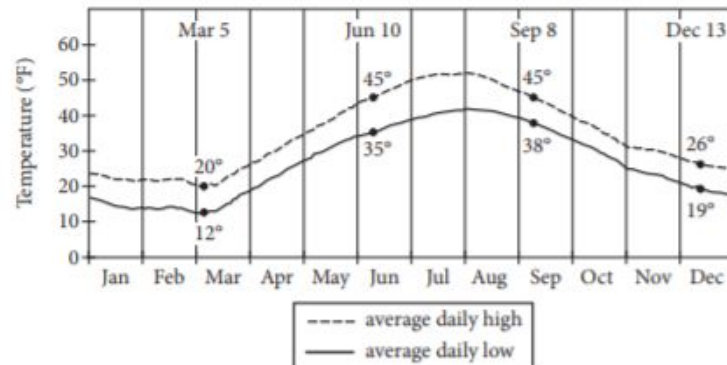
Most of Greenland's interior is covered by a thick layer of ice and compressed snow known as the Greenland Ice Sheet. The size of the ice sheet fluctuates seasonally: in summer, average daily high temperatures in Greenland can rise to slightly above 50 degrees Fahrenheit, partially melting the ice; in the winter, the sheet thickens as additional snow falls, and average daily low temperatures can drop **12** to as low as 20 degrees.

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Which choice most accurately and effectively represents the information in the graph?

- A) NO CHANGE
- B) to 12 degrees Fahrenheit.
- C) to their lowest point on December 13.
- D) to 10 degrees Fahrenheit and stay there for months.

Average Daily High and Low Temperatures Recorded at Nuuk Weather Station, Greenland (1961—1990)

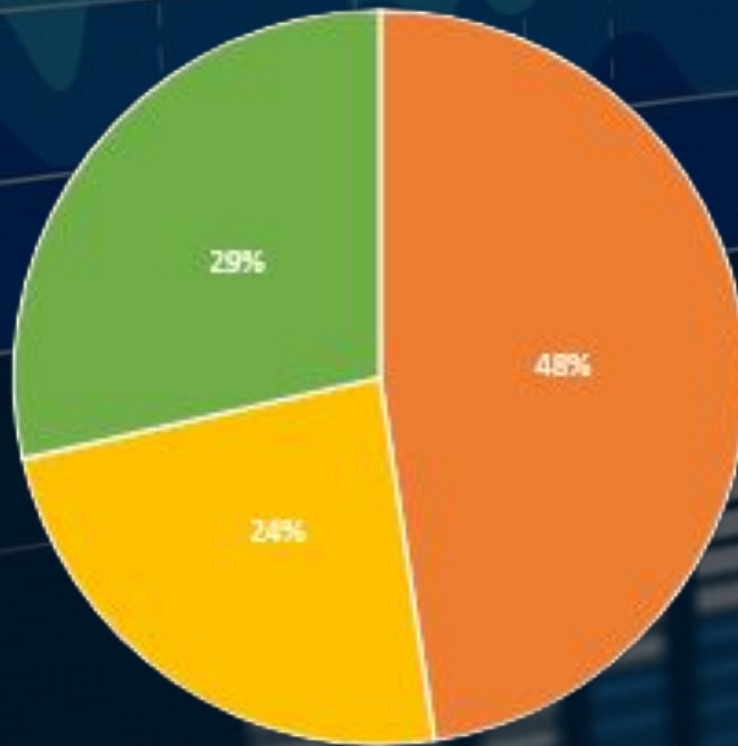


Adapted from WMO. ©2014 by World Meteorological Organization.

12% of the SAT Reading sections and **7%** of the Writing and Language sections require data skills

For the ACT, Data Analysis and Interpretation Are an Even Bigger Component

Breakdown of ACT Science Section



■ Interpretation of Data ■ Scientific Investigation ■ Evaluation of Models, Inferences, and Experimental Results

The background features a collage of various financial data visualizations. On the left, there is a bar chart with blue and grey bars, some labeled with percentages like 100%, 95%, 80%, 70%, 75%, 60%, 50%, 25%, and 30%. In the center, a line graph with a blue area fill shows fluctuating data points, with a y-axis ranging from 0 to 4k. To the right, another bar chart shows data across categories 1 through 7, with values ranging from 10 to 60. At the bottom, there are more bar charts and a line graph, all rendered in a dark blue, semi-transparent style.

**Join us and Make the
Necessary Change**

**Data Science is Not a
Subject for Some. It is a Set
of Skills for All.**

