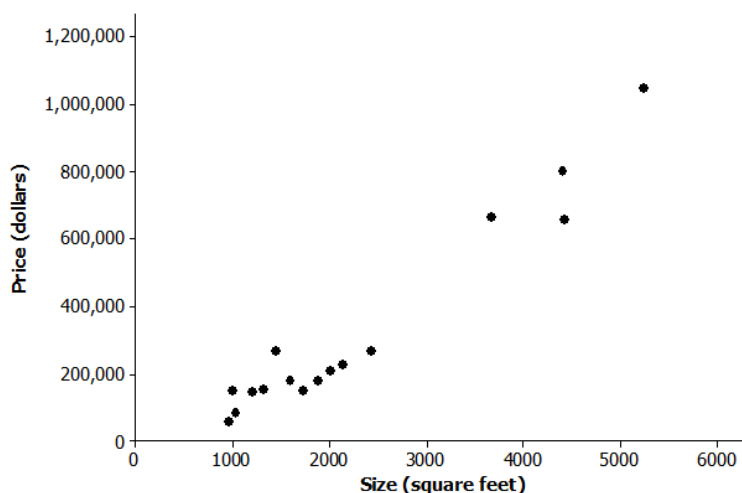


Lesson Summary

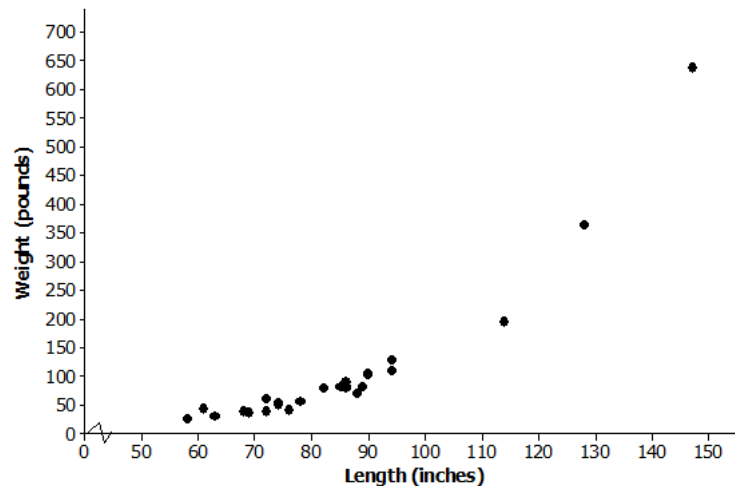
- A scatter plot might show a linear relationship, a nonlinear relationship, or no relationship.
- A positive linear relationship is one that would be modeled using a line with a positive slope. A negative linear relationship is one that would be modeled by a line with a negative slope.
- Outliers in a scatter plot are unusual points that do not seem to fit the general pattern in the plot or that are far away from the other points in the scatter plot.
- Clusters occur when the points in the scatter plot appear to form two or more distinct clouds of points.

Problem Set

1. Suppose data was collected on size in square feet (x) of several houses and price in dollars (y). The data was then used to construct the scatterplot below. Write a few sentences describing the relationship between price and size for these houses. Are there any noticeable clusters or outliers?

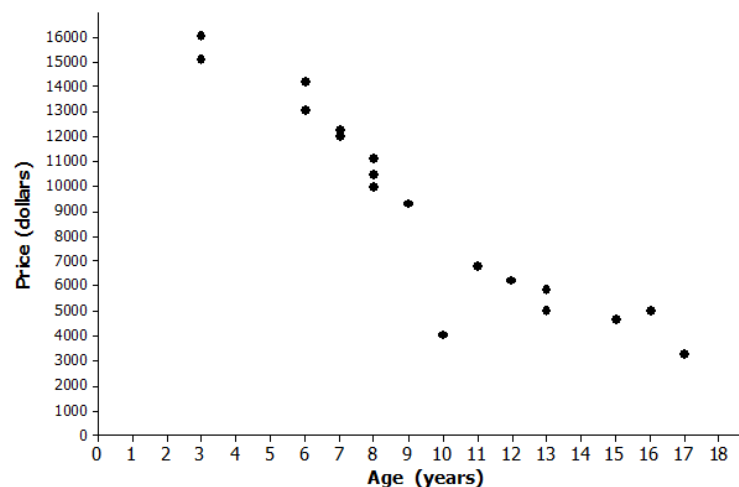


2. The scatter plot below was constructed using data on length in inches (x) of several alligators and weight in pounds (y). Write a few sentences describing the relationship between weight and length for these alligators. Are there any noticeable clusters or outliers?



Data Source: Exploring Data, Quantitative Literacy Series, James Landwehr and Ann Watkins, 1987.

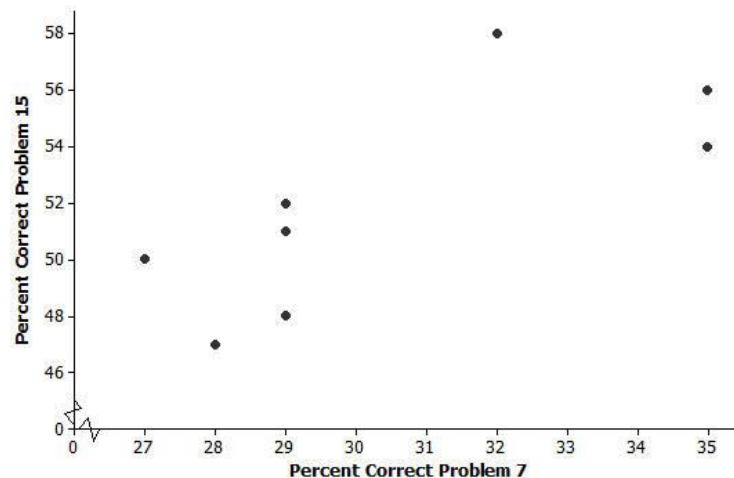
3. Suppose the scatter plot below was constructed using data on age in years (x) of several Honda Civics and price in dollars (y). Write a few sentences describing the relationship between price and age for these cars. Are there any noticeable clusters or outliers?



4. Samples of students in each of the U.S. states periodically take part in a large-scale assessment called the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP). The table below shows the percent of students in the northeastern states (as defined by the U.S. Census Bureau) who answered Problems 7 and 15 correctly on the 2011 eighth-grade test. The scatter plot shows the percent of eighth-grade students who got Problems 7 and 15 correct on the 2011 NAEP.

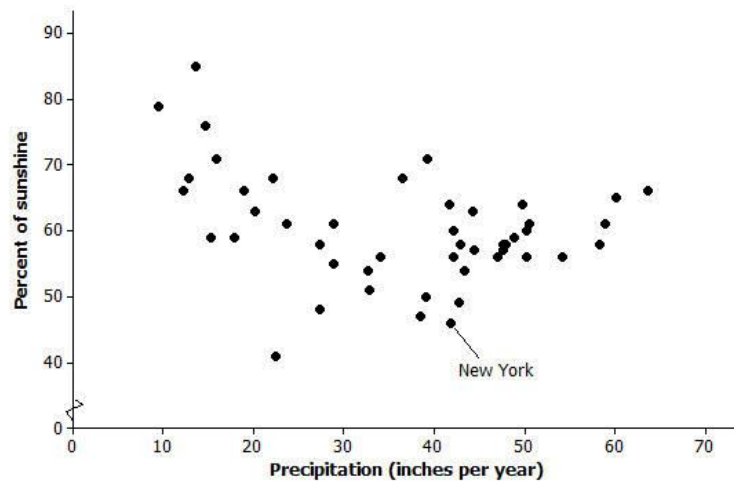
State	Percent Correct Problem 7	Percent Correct Problem 15
Connecticut	29	51
New York	28	47
Rhode Island	29	52
Maine	27	50
Pennsylvania	29	48
Vermont	32	58
New Jersey	35	54
New Hampshire	29	52
Massachusetts	35	56

Percent Correct for Problems 7 and 15 on 2011 Eighth-Grade NAEP



- Why does it appear that there are only eight points in the scatter plot for nine states?
- What is true of the states represented by the cluster of five points in the lower left corner of the graph?
- Which state did the best on these two problems? Explain your reasoning.
- Is there a trend in the data? Explain your thinking.

5. The plot below shows the mean percent of sunshine during the year and the mean amount of precipitation in inches per year for the states in the United States.



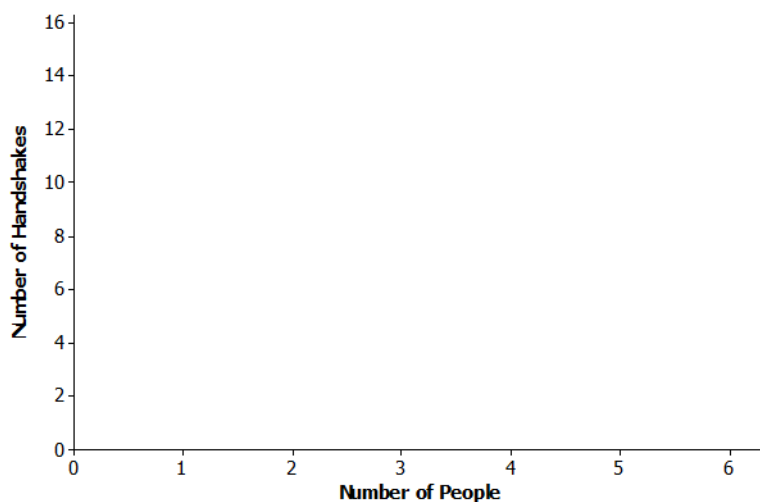
Data source: www.currentresults.com/Weather/US/average-annual-state-sunshine.php
www.currentresults.com/Weather/US/average-annual-state-precipitation.php

- Where on the graph are the states that have a large amount of precipitation and a small percent of sunshine?
 - The state of New York is the point (46, 41.8). Describe how the mean amount of precipitation and percent of sunshine in New York compare to the rest of the United States.
 - Write a few sentences describing the relationship between mean amount of precipitation and percent of sunshine.
6. At a dinner party, every person shakes hands with every other person present.
- If three people are in a room and everyone shakes hands with everyone else, how many handshakes take place?
 - Make a table for the number of handshakes in the room for one to six people. You may want to make a diagram or list to help you count the number of handshakes.

Number People	Handshakes

Number People	Handshakes

- c. Make a scatter plot of number of people (x) and number of handshakes (y). Explain your thinking.



- d. Does the trend seem to be linear? Why or why not?