# Data Visualization

A Workshop in Bringing Evaluation Data to Life



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# Workshop agenda

- Introduction (15 minutes)
- Activity (35 minutes)
- Wrap-up (10 minutes)



### Workshop objectives

- Understand the value of data visualization
- Learn considerations for effective data visualization
- Practice applying visualization strategies to sample data
- Receive resources for effective data visualization



# Why data visualization?



Sight is our **fastest** sense.





# How many 3s did you count?





# Considerations in choosing a visualization



#### **Research Question**

Key outcomes and comparisons



#### **Data**

Key variables, level, and structure



#### **Audience**

Level of understanding and needs

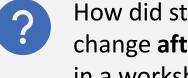


#### **Tools**

Software and production



# Considerations in choosing a visualization: TA Center Example



How did student **reading scores** change after teacher participation in a workshop series on reading instruction?



Average reading scores at two points in time by domain and classroom



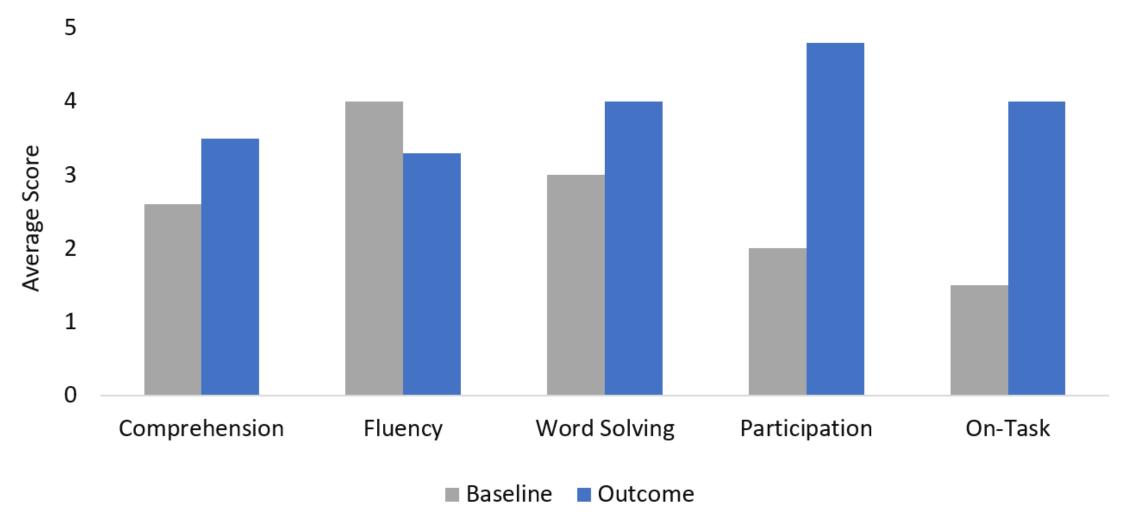
Teachers considering enrolling in similar workshop series



Microsoft Excel



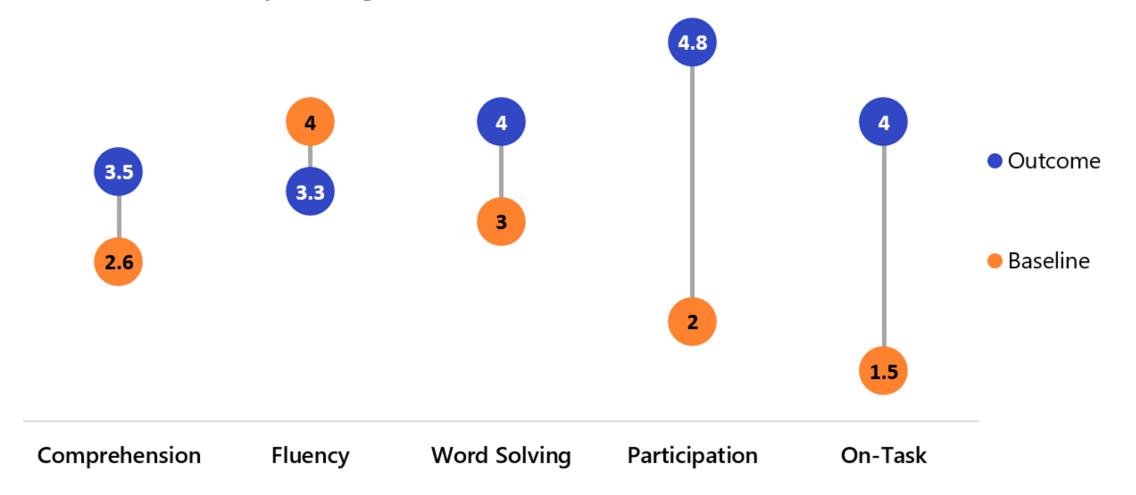
#### Average Student Baseline and Outcome Reading Scores by Domain





# Average student reading scores increased across most domains of reading after teacher TA participation

\*Scale of 0-5, with 5 representing "Excellent."





# Considerations in choosing a visualization: TA Center Example (cont'd)

How did student **reading scores** change **after** teacher participation in a workshop series on reading instruction?



Individual reading scores at two points in time by domain and classroom



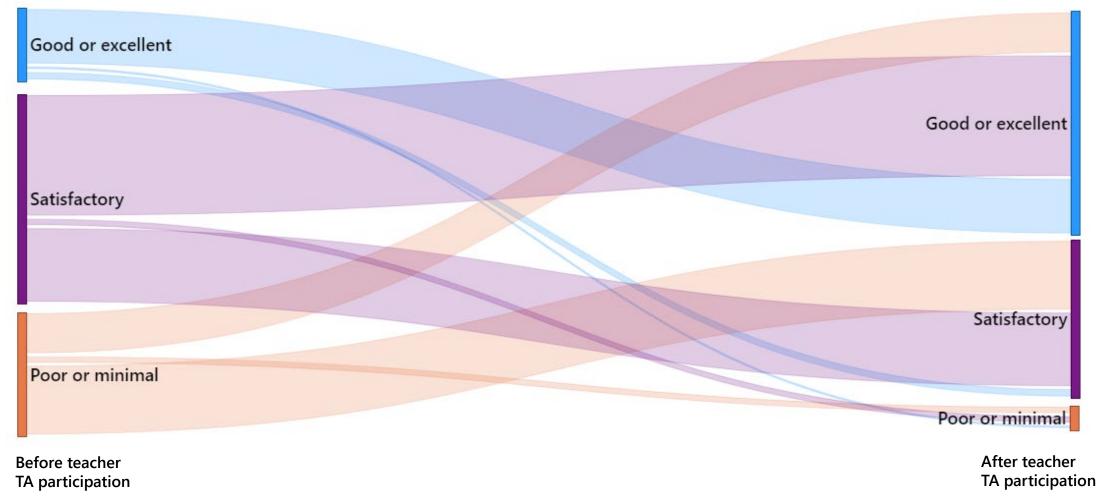
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Power BI



# Most students with satisfactory or poor or minimal baseline reading scores reported improved reading scores after teacher TA participation





### Activity: Build your own visualization

- 1. Review scenario and discuss pre-build questions in groups (10 min)
- 2. Work together to design and build a visualization (25 min)
- 3. Discuss post-build questions (10 minutes)



# Resource Spotlight

- Data Visualization: Bringing Your Evaluation Findings To Life (forthcoming)
- Effectively Communicating Evaluation Findings
- Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) website
  - Brings together IDEA information and resources from the Department and its grantees.
  - https://sites.ed.gov/idea/
- IDEAS That Work
  - For information from research to practice initiatives funded by OSEP that address the provisions of IDEA and ESSA. This website includes resources, links, and other important information relevant to OSEP's research to practice efforts.
  - https://osepideasthatwork.org/





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