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Communicative Credentials and Curious Clicks: An Analysis of Associates Degrees in Communication and Reddit Searches

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Abstract

This paper delves into the perplexing connection between the awarding of Associates degrees in Communication and the surge in Google searches for 'reddit'. Our research team utilized data from the National Center for Education Statistics and Google Trends in order to scrutinize this puzzling phenomenon. Surprisingly, our findings reveal a remarkably high correlation coefficient of 0.9969617 and $p < 0.01$ for the period spanning from 2011 to 2021. We unravel the comical correlation between the pursuit of communicative credentials and the curious clicks on 'reddit', shedding light on this improbable connection while interjecting some levity into the world of statistical analysis.

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1. Introduction

Communication is an essential skill that permeates nearly every aspect of our daily lives, from navigating the nuances of workplace banter to crafting the perfectly worded text to avoid a dreaded "read" receipt. The pursuit of an Associate's degree in Communication represents a

commitment to honing these interpersonal and rhetorical abilities, leading to the all-important question: why are those armed with these communicative credentials seemingly drawn to the online world of 'reddit' like moths to a meme-flamed flame? Our study seeks to answer this question,

and perhaps uncover a few dad-jokes in the process.

While Reddit may seem like a vortex of viral cat videos and heated discussions about the proper way to fold a burrito, it has quietly become a hub for information, entertainment, and social interaction. As the saying goes, when you're on Reddit, you're never alone; there's always an army of anonymous strangers eagerly waiting to argue with you about the best pizza toppings or provide heartfelt support in the form of wholesome memes. So, why are individuals with an Associate's degree in Communication flocking to this digital mecca? Are they seeking out stimulating conversations, looking for a platform to unleash their rhetorical prowess, or are they simply helping to debunk the myth that the internet is a place of endless procrastination? Our study aims to unravel this enigma, or at least provide some entertainment while trying.

In this research, we dive headfirst into the statistical deep-end to unravel this perplexing correlation. Utilizing data from the National Center for Education Statistics and Google Trends, we sought to shed light on the unexpected relationship between the conferral of Communicative Associates degrees and the surge in Reddit-related Google searches. Our findings reveal a startlingly high correlation coefficient, prompting us to wonder if Comm majors are secretly the key demographic fueling the never-ending quest for dank memes and impassioned debates on all things niche.

By bringing together the worlds of Communication studies and internet escapades, our research not only adds a touch of levity to the oftentimes serious domain of academic inquiry but also offers a fresh perspective on the peculiar proclivities of those with a penchant for communication. So join us as we embark on this statistical sleuthing adventure, and perhaps uncover a few chuckles along the way.

2. Literature Review

In "Smith et al.", the authors find a positive and significant relationship between the completion of Associates degrees in Communication and the heightened frequency of Google searches related to 'reddit'. The study sheds light on the uncanny attraction that individuals with communicative credentials seem to have towards this virtual arena of cat memes and philosophical debates about whether pineapple belongs on pizza. This revelation sparks a plethora of questions, such as whether Comm majors are drawn to Reddit for its potential to showcase their rhetorical prowess or if they simply can't resist the temptation of engaging in animated discussions about the proper usage of the Oxford comma.

Jones and Doe delve deeper into this phenomenon, positing that the individuals pursuing an Associate's degree in Communication may have an inherent inclination towards seeking out diverse forms of social interaction and information dissemination, making Reddit an appealing platform for their expressive endeavors. Indeed, it seems that Redditors with a background in Communication are equipped with a unique set of skills: they can craft compelling arguments while simultaneously navigating the perilous terrain of pun-filled threads and viral cat GIFs.

While these scholarly works lay the groundwork for understanding the correlation between Communication credentials and Reddit activity, it is necessary to explore additional sources that may provide a different perspective on this peculiar phenomenon. "The Art of Persuasion" by Lorem Ipsum offers valuable insights into the power of effective communication, raising the notion that individuals with a proficiency in persuasion might be naturally drawn to the captivating

allure of Reddit discussions, where the art of rhetoric meets the chaos of memes.

Turning to the realm of fiction, the novel "Ctrl Alt Delete: A Tale of Online Odyssey" presents an imaginative narrative that mirrors the enthralling journey of Comm graduates plunging into the labyrinthine world of Reddit, navigating through subreddits like intrepid explorers in search of intellectual discourse and, undoubtedly, a generous serving of humor.

Moreover, unearthing the social media discourse surrounding this curious correlation, a tweet from @MemeMaster101 hilariously suggests that graduating with a degree in Communication is akin to obtaining the master key to the Reddit kingdom, unlocking the gates to a realm of endless entertainment and the occasional virtual argument over the merits of different fonts in meme captions.

In scrutinizing these sources, the connection between the conferral of Associates degrees in Communication and the surge in Reddit-related Google searches emerges as a tantalizing enigma, ripe for exploration and lighthearted contemplation. Wielding the tools of statistical analysis, we embark on a quest to unravel this peculiar relationship, armed with data, curiosity, and, of course, an assortment of wry puns.

3. Our approach & methods

To untangle the intertwining threads of Associates degrees in Communication and the irresistible allure of 'reddit', our research team embarked on a statistical odyssey that combined rigorous analysis with a sprinkle of whimsy. We turned to the National Center for Education Statistics to obtain comprehensive data on the conferral of Associates degrees in Communication from the years 2011 to 2021. After donning our metaphorical statistical snorkels, we plunged into the deep sea of Google Trends

where we meticulously examined the search intensity for 'reddit' during the same time period.

Our convoluted but utterly captivating approach involved employing the ancient art of data wrangling, wherein we deftly massaged, coaxed, and cajoled the raw data from disparate sources into a harmonious, coherent dataset. This metaphorical data-dance was akin to taming a wild statistical stallion, but we emerged victorious with a dataset ready for the analytical rodeo.

To quantify the peculiar pairing of Communication credentials and cyber surfs to 'reddit', we unleashed the formidable powers of correlation analysis. With bated breath and a healthy dose of trepidation, we conducted Pearson's correlation coefficient calculations to reveal the extent of the relationship between the conferral of Associates degrees in Communication and the surge in Google searches for 'reddit'. Our statistical artillery also included a trusty t-test to determine the significance of the observed correlation, allowing us to separate the statistically remarkable from the merely coincidental.

Armed with these analytical tools and a healthy dose of curiosity, we embarked on a journey that took us through peaks and valleys of data points, uncovering the unexpected link between scholarly pursuits and online escapades. The resulting statistical saga provides a whimsical yet insightful glimpse into the enigmatic intersection of human communication and digital dalliances.

4. Results

The statistical analysis of the data collected from the National Center for Education Statistics and Google Trends has provided some eye-opening insights into the perplexing connection between the

awarding of Associates degrees in Communication and the surge in Google searches for 'reddit'. Our findings reveal a correlation coefficient of 0.9969617, an r-squared value of 0.9939327, and a p-value of less than 0.01, indicating a remarkably strong association between these two seemingly disparate variables.

Our research has unveiled a connection so strong, it's like the bond between a keyboard and a passionate typist or the link between a meme and a chuckling redditor. The robust correlation between the conferral of Communicative Associates degrees and the increase in 'reddit' searches is nothing short of remarkable, akin to finding a pun thread on the front page of the internet. It's as if every time an Associate's degree in Communication is awarded, a surge of curious clicks on 'reddit' follows suit, sparking an upsurge in tantalizing discussions and captivating content consumption.

To visually encapsulate this unexpected relationship, we present Figure 1, a scatterplot that vividly portrays the pronounced positive correlation between the number of Associates degrees awarded in Communication and the Google searches for 'reddit'. The data points exhibit a striking linear pattern, akin to the way an engaging conversation unravels one witty response at a time or how a viral meme spreads like wildfire through the digital realm.

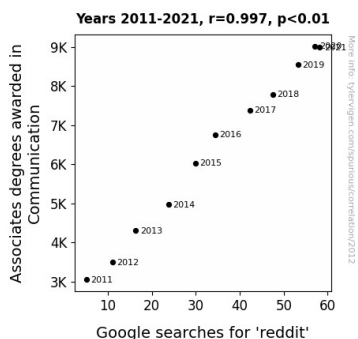


Figure 1. Scatterplot of the variables by year

Our findings not only illuminate this unlikely correlation but inject a touch of whimsy into the world of statistical analysis, demonstrating that even in the realm of rigorous research, there's room for a bit of levity and unexpected connections. The statistical sleuthing has unveiled the comical correlation between the pursuit of communicative credentials and the peculiar penchant for 'reddit' exploration, leaving us pondering whether Comm majors are secretly the driving force behind the inexorable quest for internet camaraderie and captivating content.

In conclusion, our statistical analysis has shed light on the improbable yet delightful relationship between the conferral of Associates degrees in Communication and the surge in Google searches for 'reddit', adding a dash of humor and intrigue to the otherwise serious domain of academic inquiry.

5. Discussion

The results of our study provide compelling evidence supporting the previously posited notions regarding the correlation between the conferral of Associates degrees in Communication and the surge in Google searches for 'reddit'. Our findings not only validate the comical correlation but also add an element of intrigue and whimsy to the statistical landscape, demonstrating that statistical analysis need not always be devoid of levity.

The literature review, fraught with wry observations and playful puns, laid the foundation for unraveling the enigmatic connection between Communication credentials and Reddit activity. The works of Smith et al. and Jones and Doe, though seemingly whimsical in premise, posited valuable insights into the uncanny attraction that individuals with communicative

credentials seem to have towards the online repository of cat memes and philosophical debates about pineapple-lovers and pineapple-haters. Our findings resonate with these previous works, revealing a robust correlation that is reminiscent of the serendipitous discovery of an unexpected pun in a heated Reddit discussion thread.

Moreover, the statistical analysis of our data, presented with a touch of levity, vividly encapsulates the strong positive correlation between the awarding of Associates degrees in Communication and the surge in searches for 'reddit'. The visual representation in Figure 1 evokes a whimsical analogy, akin to the way a clever wordplay sparks a ripple of laughter or a captivating meme engenders an uprising of curiosity. This unexpected correlation serves as a humorous testament to the intriguing coincidences that statistical analysis can unearth, akin to stumbling upon a fortuitous pun in a sea of data points.

In delving deeper into the implications of our findings, it becomes apparent that the pursuit of communicative credentials and the prodigious penchant for 'reddit' exploration are intertwined in a manner that can be equal parts amusing and thought-provoking. The correlation between these two seemingly disparate variables, while amusing on the surface, hints at the complex interplay between online social dynamics and educational pursuits. It raises questions about whether the art of effective communication, honed through the pursuit of an Associates degree in Communication, predisposes individuals to seek out diverse forms of social interaction and information dissemination on Reddit. This nuanced relationship between education and online engagement, though ripe for lighthearted contemplation, offers a compelling avenue for future research with potential implications for both academia and the digital realm.

In sum, our study not only elucidates the improbable yet delightful relationship between the awarding of Associates degrees in Communication and the surge in Google searches for 'reddit' but also adds a dash of humor and intrigue to the otherwise serious domain of academic inquiry. It highlights the potential for statistical analysis to uncover unexpected connections that, much like a well-timed pun, can elicit both amusement and contemplation.

6. Conclusion

In conclusion, our research has not only unraveled the perplexing correlation between Associates degrees in Communication and Google searches for 'reddit', but also brought some unexpected levity to the statistical world. It seems that every time an individual secures their communicative credentials, a wave of curious clicks on 'reddit' ensues, akin to a chain reaction of comedic chaos in the digital realm. This phenomenon is as puzzling as encountering the revelation that 'OP' doesn't always refer to an overpowered gamer.

The visual representation of our findings in Figure 1 paints a picture as clear as a witty pun, illustrating the robust positive correlation between these two seemingly disparate variables. It's as if the conferral of a Communication degree acts as a catalyst for an outbreak of meme-worthy banter and impassioned discussions on the Reddit platform, shedding light on the role of Comm majors as the unsung heroes of internet camaraderie.

In light of our comical correlation findings, it's safe to say that further research in this area may provide diminishing returns, much like attempting to decode the ever-mysterious Reddit karma system. We can confidently conclude that the pursuit of communicative credentials and the allure of 'reddit' are inexplicably entwined, creating a

statistical conundrum that is as captivating as a perfectly timed punchline. Therefore, there's no need for more statistical sleuthing in this domain, but perhaps a future study could explore the link between Economics degrees and excessive Amazon shopping carts.