

# Be a Hawk not a Turkey

How a Bird's Eye View of your Data Can Streamline Data Analysis

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# The Project

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**“Can you have a look at the data?”**

What does that mean?

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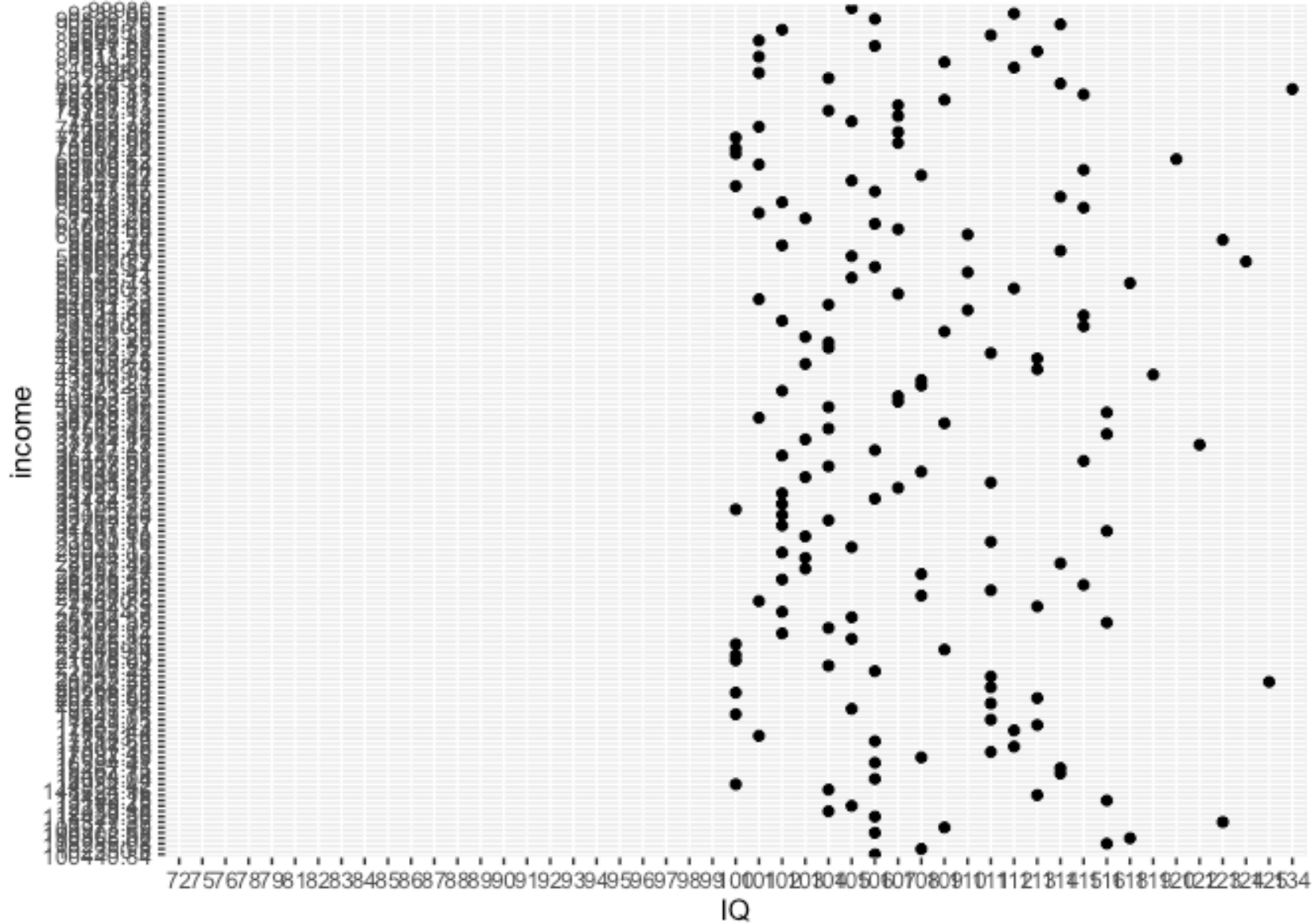
# “Looking” at the data

	date	name	age	sex	grade	height	hair	eye	smokes	income	education	IQ
1	2015-03-15	Bobby	21	Female	NA	66	Brown	Gray	FALSE	NA	Regular High School Diploma	97
2	2015-03-15	Trinidad	28	Female	91.5	59	Red	Brown	FALSE	36157.98	Doctorate Degree	115
3	2015-03-15	Angel	31	Female	85.2	67	Blonde	Blue	FALSE	17307.35	Regular High School Diploma	112
4	2015-03-15	Sam	30	Male	NA	71	Brown	Hazel	FALSE	NA	Regular High School Diploma	94
5	2015-03-15	Johnnie	23	Male	NA	68	Brown	Hazel	FALSE	100440.84	Regular High School Diploma	106
6	2015-03-15	Walter	23	Female	NA	70	Brown	Hazel	TRUE	NA	9th Grade to 12th Grade, No Diploma	90
7	2015-03-15	Deon	24	Female	94.9	66	Blonde	Brown	TRUE	118429.36	Some College, 1 or More Years, No Degree	106
8	2015-03-15	Jean	26	Female	NA	66	Brown	Hazel	FALSE	NA	GED or Alternative Credential	96
9	2015-03-15	Louis	26	Male	91.8	67	Red	Brown	FALSE	66273.55	Associate's Degree	106
10	2015-03-15	Tyler	25	Female	81.7	69	Black	Brown	FALSE	NA	Some College, 1 or More Years, No Degree	95
11	2015-03-15	Carol	27	Male	NA	69	Brown	Blue	FALSE	NA	Bachelor's Degree	94
12	2015-03-15	Shayne	30	Male	89.4	69	Red	Blue	FALSE	7379.86	Regular High School Diploma	107
13	2015-03-15	Sydney	29	Male	85.4	73	Blonde	Blue	TRUE	NA	Associate's Degree	93
14	2015-03-15	Kenneth	29	Female	82.7	68	Black	Blue	FALSE	NA	GED or Alternative Credential	96
15	2015-03-15	Donnie	23	Male	NA	66	Brown	Blue	FALSE	NA	Regular High School Diploma	97
16	2015-03-15	Lewis	24	Male	90.2	62	Black	Green	FALSE	NA	Master's Degree	98
17	2015-03-15	Lee	33	Male	84.0	67	Blonde	Blue	FALSE	21676.09	Master's Degree	100
18	2015-03-15	Dong	31	Male	87.1	72	Black	Blue	FALSE	46002.52	Bachelor's Degree	104
19	2015-03-15	Jame	23	Male	90.8	79	Blonde	Gray	TRUE	54034.49	Bachelor's Degree	110
20	2015-03-15	Kelly	26	Male	91.8	67	Black	Brown	FALSE	NA	Bachelor's Degree	99
21	2015-03-15	Dusty	33	Female	83.6	66	Black	Brown	FALSE	6388.26	Bachelor's Degree	101

# “...Looking?” at the data?

```
ggplot(data = data,  
       aes(x = IQ,  
           y = income)) +  
  geom_point()
```

# “...Looking?” at the data?





# So...

What if the data is all weird, and stuff?

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# Real data is generally real messy

Dates are not dates

Gender is not Categorical

Rows are supposed to be columns

Missing data

# Data Cleaning...janitorial work...munging...



Data  
Wrangling

`dplyr`

`plyr`

`data.table`

Testing  
Data

`assertr`

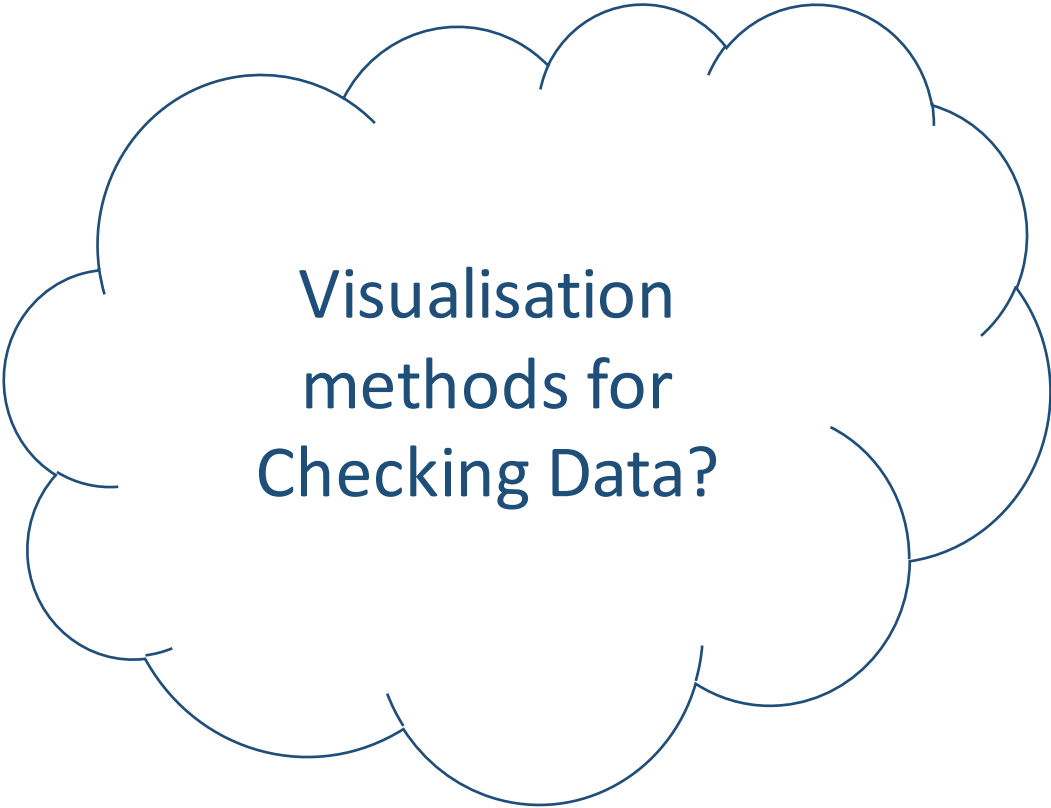
`testdat`

# Data inspection: ``dplyr::glimpse(dat)``

```
Observations: 300
Variables: 15
$ date      (date) 2015-03-15, 2015-03-...
$ name      (chr) "Bobby", "Trinidad", ...
$ age       (int) 21, 28, 31, 30, 23, 2...
$ sex       (fctr) Female, Female, Fema...
$ grade     (int) NA, 4, 3, NA, NA, NA,...
$ height    (dbl) 66, 59, 67, 71, 68, 7...
$ hair      (fctr) Brown, Red, Blonde, ...
$ eye       (fctr) Gray, Brown, Blue, H...
$ smokes    (lgf) FALSE, FALSE, FALSE, ...
$ income    (chr) NA, "36157.98", "17307.35"
$ education (fctr) Regular High School ...
$ IQ        (fctr) 97, 115, 112, 94, 106...
$ employment (int) NA, 1, 4, NA, 1, NA, ...
$ race      (fctr) Hispanic, Black, Bla...
$ religion  (fctr) Muslim, Christian, N...
```



# Pre-exploratory Visualisations?



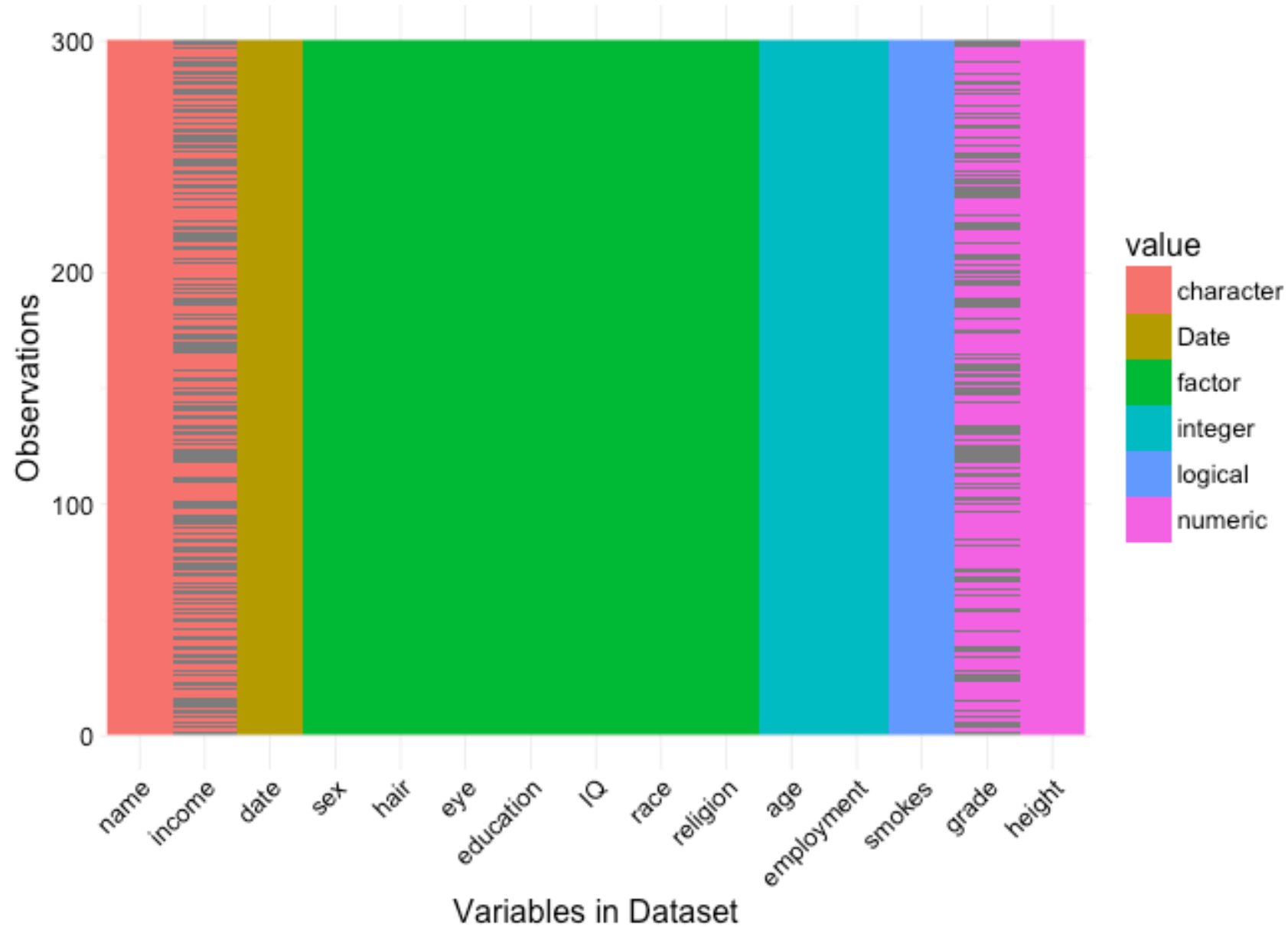
Visualisation  
methods for  
Checking Data?

# visdat

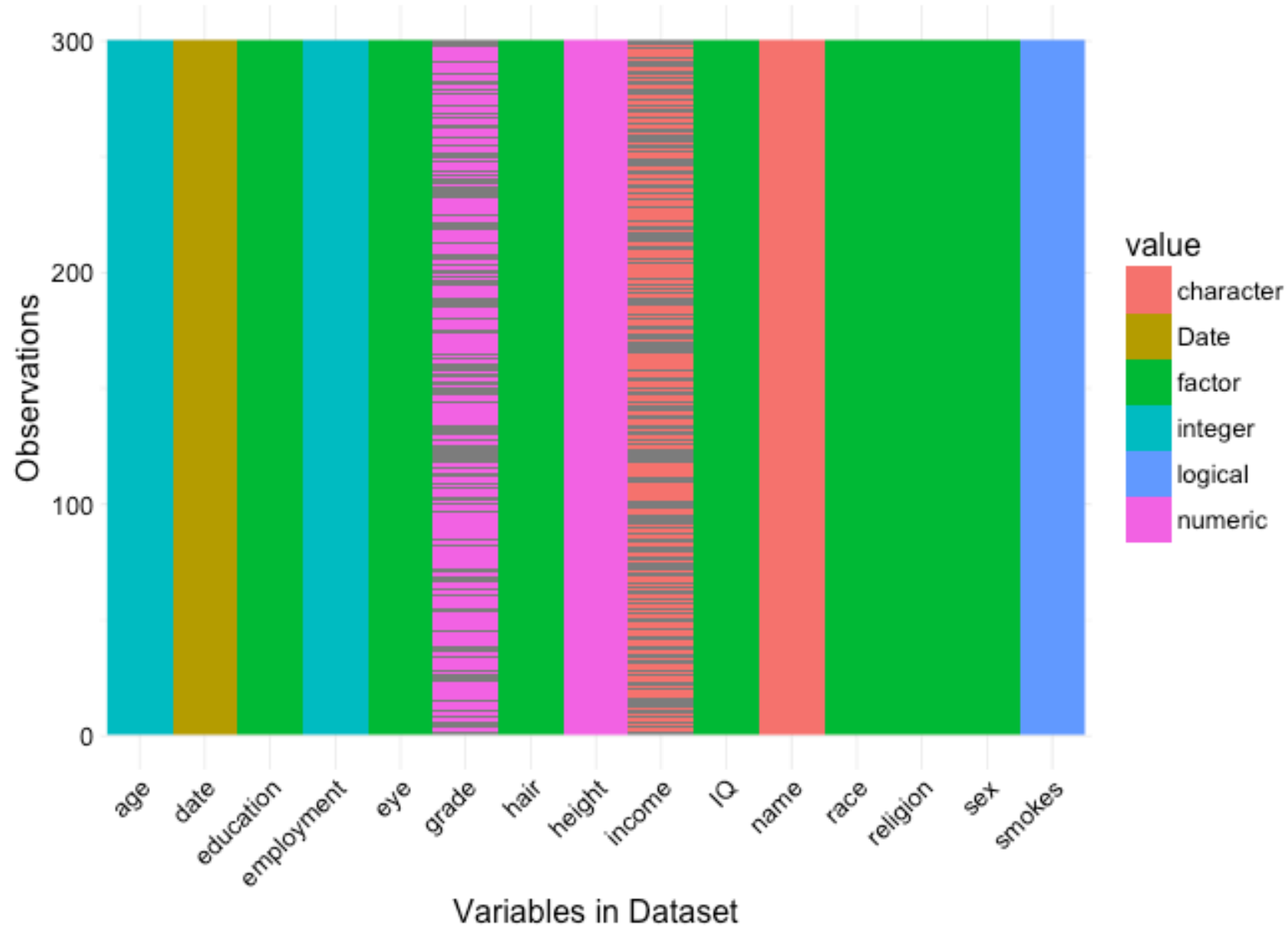
Visualise whole data frames at once

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# vis\_dat(data)

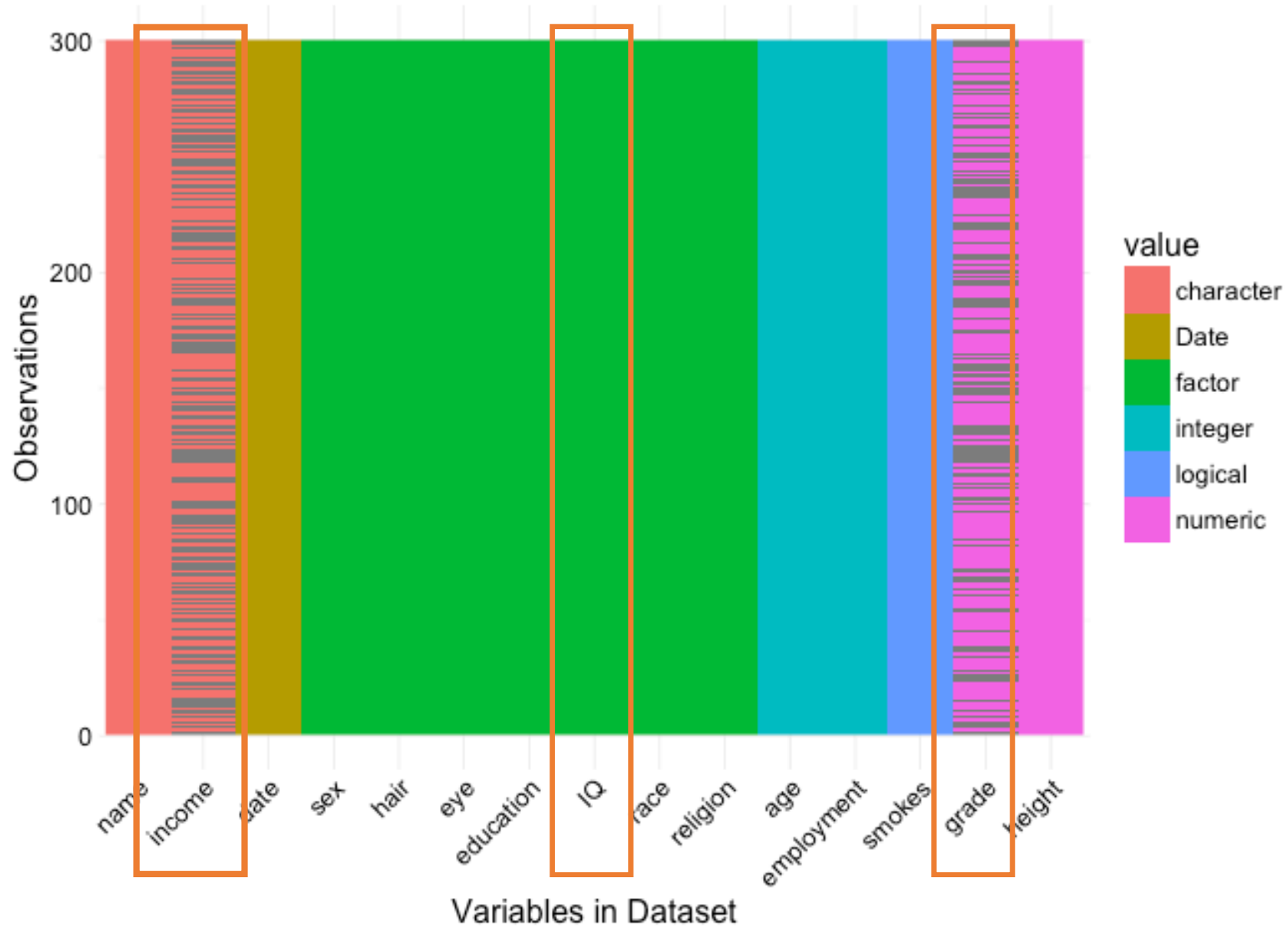


```
vis_dat(data, sort_type = F)
```

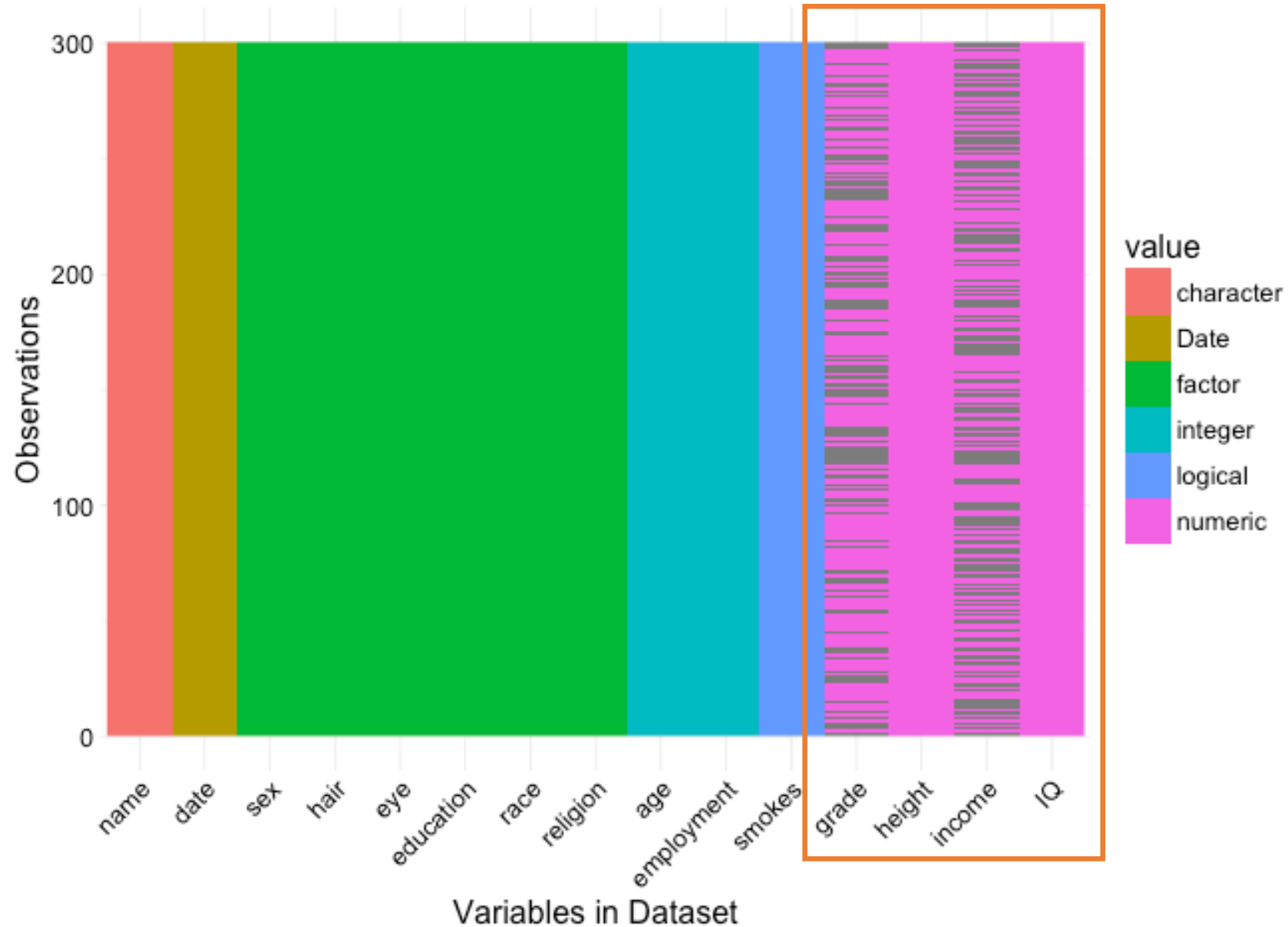




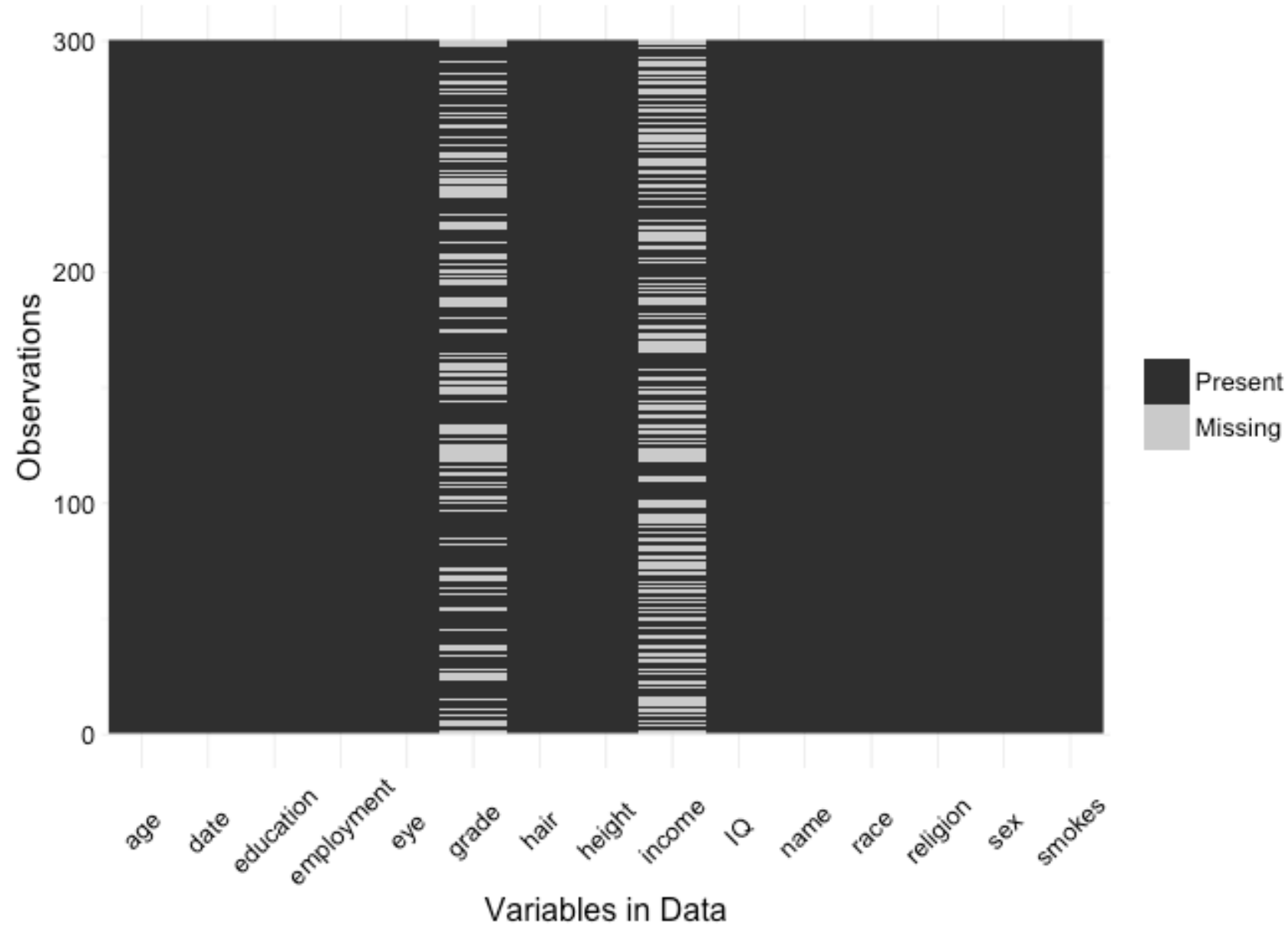
vis\_dat ... clean ... vis\_dat ... clean



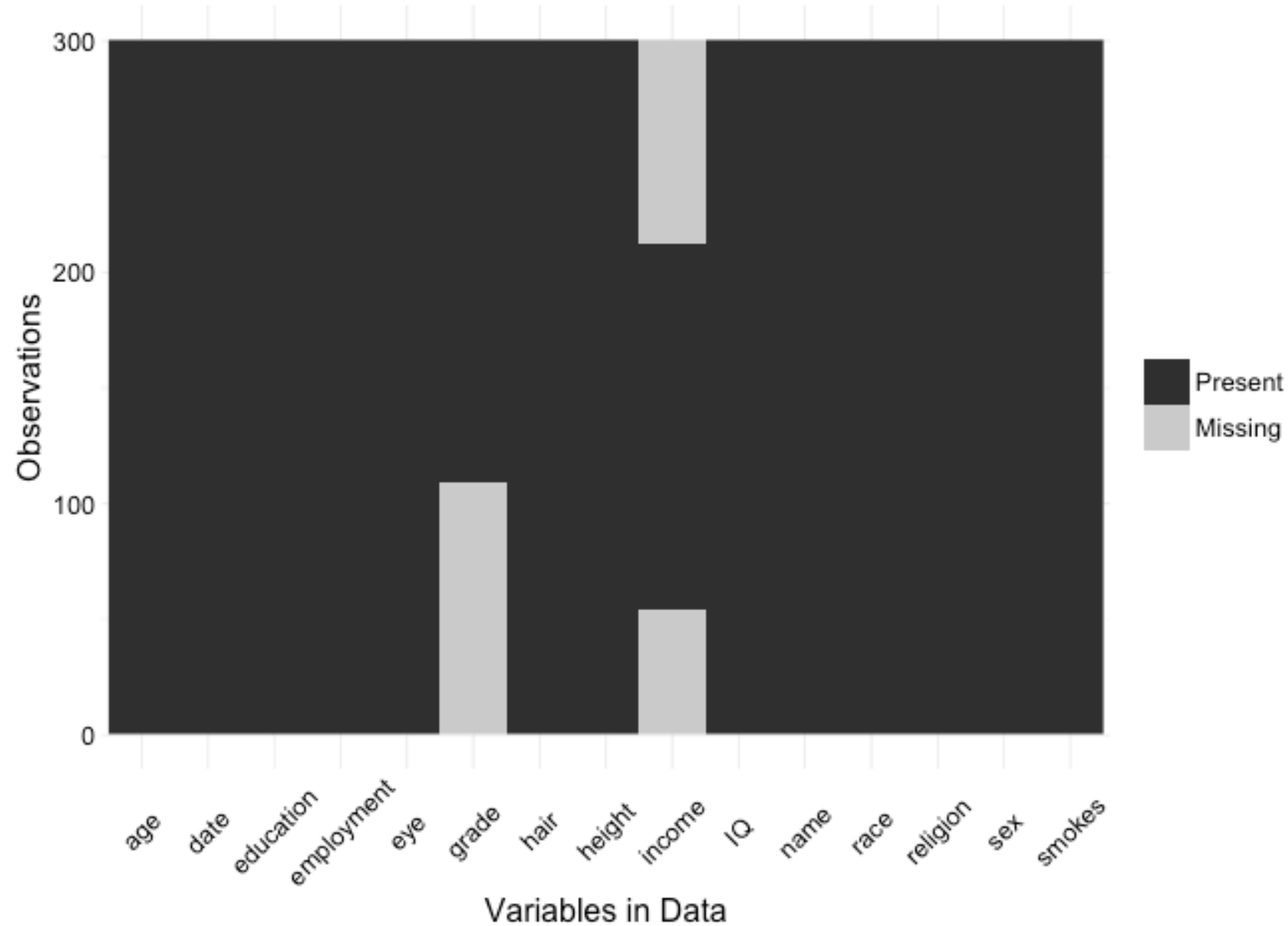
vis\_dat ... clean ... vis\_dat ... clean



# vis\_miss



```
vis_miss(cluster = TRUE)
```



# Slide missing

It's probably not a big deal

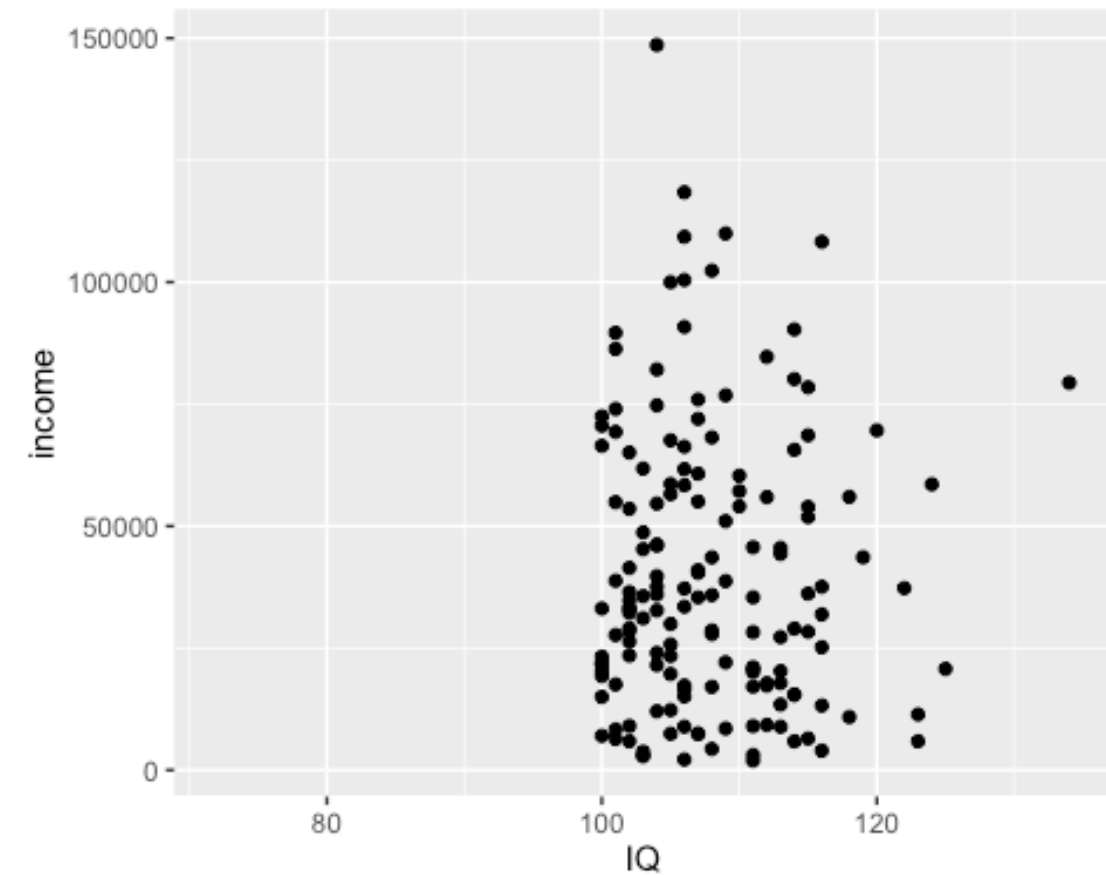
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# ggmissing

plotting missing data with ggplot

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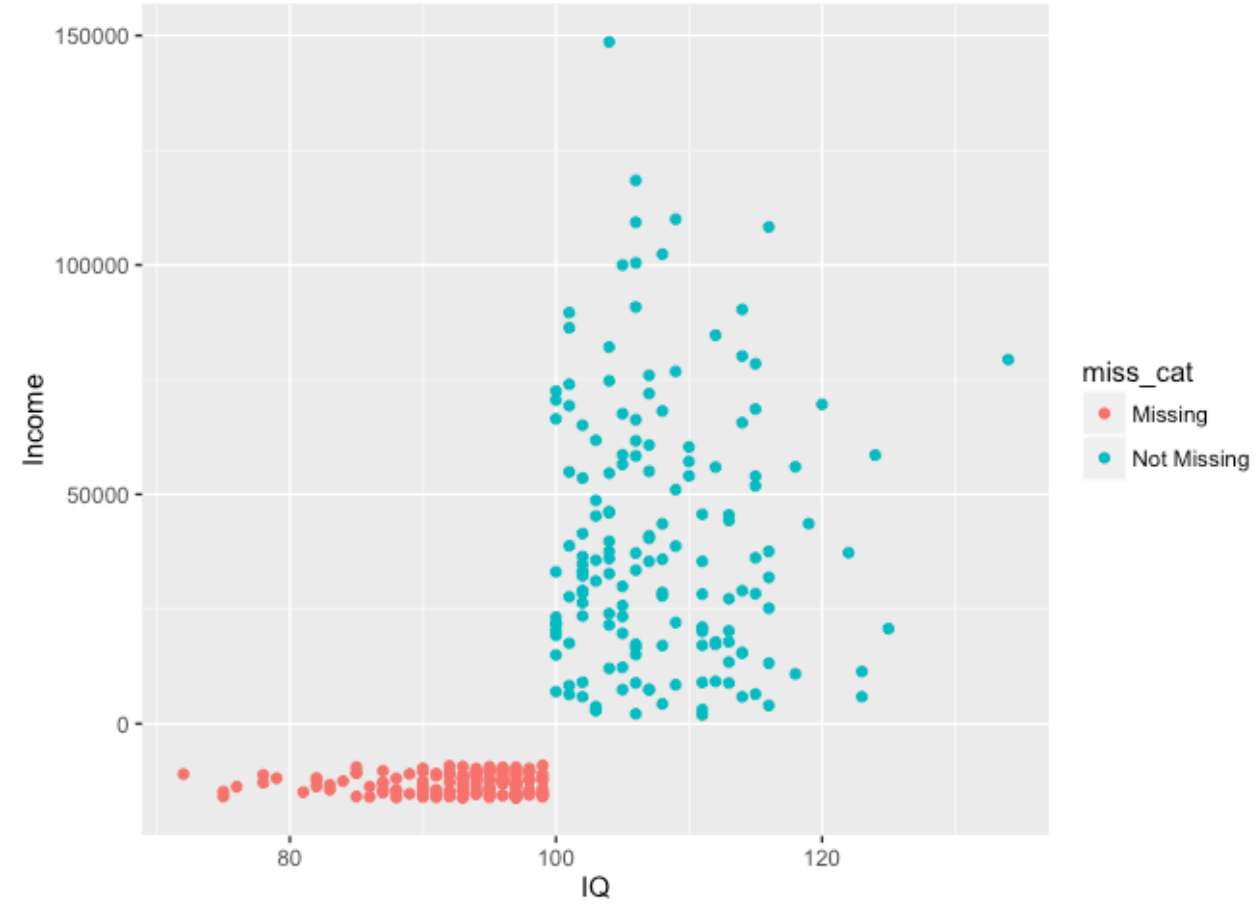
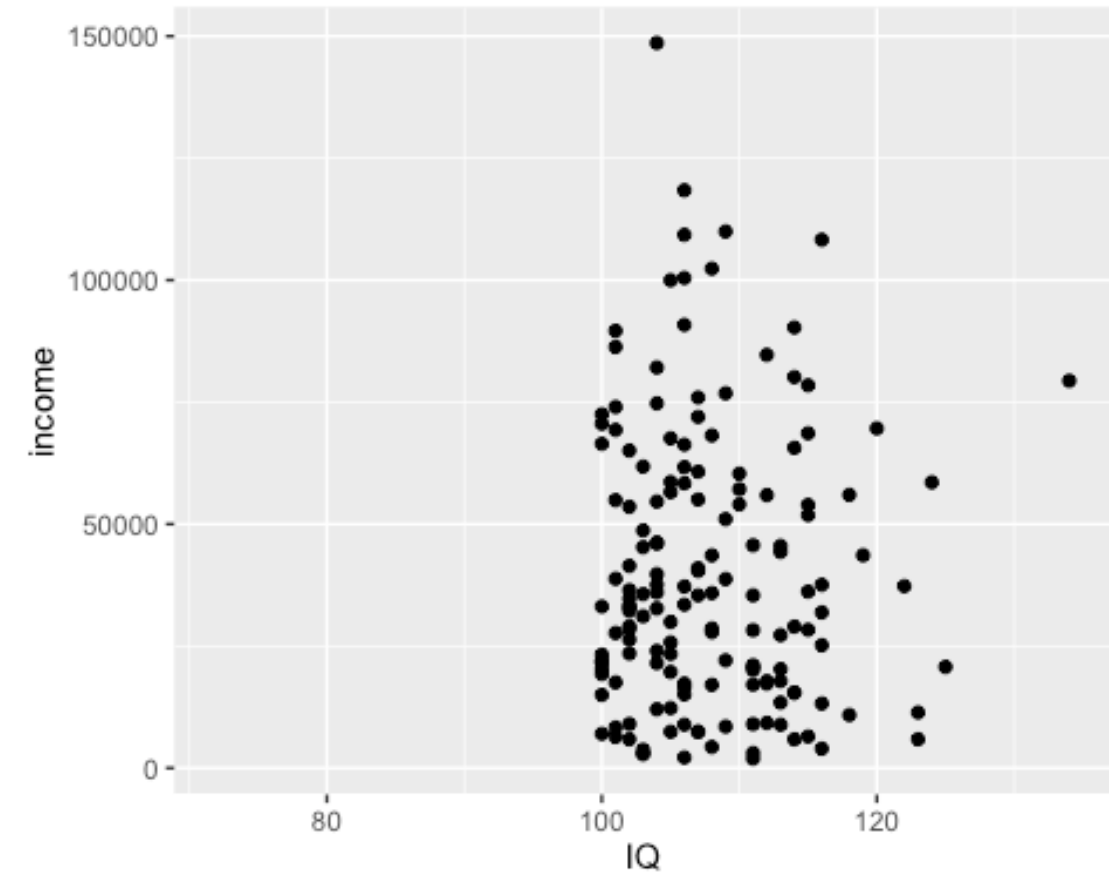
# ggmissing



```
ggplot(data = dat,  
       aes(x = IQ ,  
           y = income)) +  
  geom_point()
```

Warning message:  
Removed 142 rows  
containing missing  
values(geom\_point).

# ggmissing





# ggmissing: how to do it

```
dat %>%  
mutate(miss_cat = miss_cat(., "IQ", "income")) %>%  
ggplot(data = .,  
        aes(x = shadow_shift(IQ),  
            y = shadow_shift(income),  
            colour = miss_cat)) +  
  geom_point()
```

# ggmissing: how we'd like to do it

```
ggplot(data = data,  
       aes(x = IQ,  
           y = income)) +  
  geom_point() +  
  geom_missing()
```

```
ggplot(data = data,  
       aes(x = IQ,  
           y = income)) +  
  geom_point(show_missing = T)
```

# Future Work

ggmissing and visdat

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# Future Work: visdat

Colour cells intelligently

Guess what kind a variable is

Read in horrible messy data

Include interactivity

Think about ways to sensibly encode summary / value information

Pipe in expectations

# Future Work: ggmissing

Early days yet

Create a philosophy / grammar of missingness

Don't re-write ggplot

Include rug plot to show missing data

Develop clear/intuitive ways of visualising missing values

# Got an idea or want to help?

Check out our github

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`github.com/tierneyn/visdat`

`github.com/tierneyn/ggmissing`

# Thank you

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Miles McBain

Jenny Bryan

Kerrie Mengersen

Fiona Harden

Maurice Harden

# Thank you







# Questions?

*I caught a glimpse of happiness,  
And saw it was a bird on a branch,  
Fixing to take wing*

*- Richard Peck*