

The New York Times

The Times' best business journalism of 2016 was also its most collaborative, presenting the work of several journalists' expertise – in words, charts, video and photography – in a form that put readers first. These five pieces use technology and design to clarify complicated subjects and contextualize the news in forms that are simply not possible in a traditional printed newspaper.

The Array of Conflicts of Interest Facing the Trump Presidency

Donald J. Trump's stunning election victory created an unprecedented tangle of potential conflicts of interest – with his hotel, the Internal Revenue Service and the National Labor Relations Board, to name a few. In "As Trump Takes Office, Many Conflicts of Interest Still Face His Presidency," Times graphics editors reported the relationships and diagrammed the potential conflicts simply and clearly.

The New Panama Canal: A Risky Bet

Far from the political tumult of the presidential campaigns, the locks of the Panama Canal were declared ready to accept a new generation of giant ships that carry much of the world's cargo but cannot fit in the original canal. A deep Times investigation concluded that the expanded canal's future is cloudy at best, its safety, quality of construction and economic viability in doubt. This stunning visual journalism combines words, diagrams, drone footage and animations to describe the calamity and shortcomings of the Panama Canal.

Money, Race and Success: How Your School District Compares

In "Money, Race and Success: How Your School District Compares," The Times showcased new research underscoring the role of socioeconomic conditions in educational outcomes. Rich data visualizations depicted a sobering reality. Educational gaps persist across racial lines even among kids in the same school; the largest gaps between white children and their minority classmates emerge in some of the wealthiest communities in the country. The article also lends itself to customization, letting each reader compare the outcomes in his or her own school district, turning a national story into a local one.

40 Percent of the Buildings in Manhattan Could Not Be Built Today

The phrase "zoning anniversary" does not typically draw readers, but a Times article and extraordinarily detailed maps celebrated the 100th anniversary of New York's first zoning code in detail, highlighting its outsize role in daily life. To create this article, the Times obtained and mapped zoning regulations for 43,000 buildings in Manhattan, grouping each by the regulation that would have kept it from being built in 2016. As a supplement, the Times published a [standalone interactive map](#) of Manhattan where readers could explore the city, block by block.

Hungry Venezuelans Flee in Boats to Escape Economic Collapse

Visual journalism does not need to be complicated, interactive or flashy to be effective. Nicholas Casey, the Times's Andes bureau chief, and Meridith Kohut, a photographer based in Venezuela, collaborated to document the diaspora of poor Venezuelans fleeing the country in search of better economic prospects. The photographs follow migrants from smugglers' boats in Venezuela to Curaçao and those whose loved ones disappeared on the journey.

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1. “The Array of Conflicts of Interest Facing the Trump Presidency” by Larry Buchanan and Karen Yourish -- December 1, 2016.

<https://www.nytimes.com/interactive/2016/12/01/us/politics/trump-conflict-of-interests.html>

2. “The New Panama Canal: A Risky Bet” by Walt Bogdanich, Jaqueline Williams and Ana Graciela Méndez -- June 22, 2016.

<https://www.nytimes.com/interactive/2016/06/22/world/americas/panama-canal.html>

3. “Money, Race and Success: How Your School District Compares” by Motoko Rich, Amanda Cox and Matthew Bloch -- April 29, 2016.

<http://www.nytimes.com/interactive/2016/04/29/upshot/money-race-and-success-how-your-school-district-compares.html>

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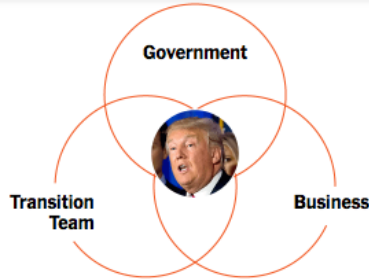
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5. “Hungry Venezuelans Flee in Boats to Escape Economic Collapse” by Nicholas Casey -- November 25, 2016.

<https://www.nytimes.com/2016/11/25/world/americas/hungry-venezuelans-flee-in-boats-to-escape-economic-collapse.html>

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The Array of Conflicts of Interest Facing the Trump Presidency

By LARRY BUCHANAN and KAREN YOURISH UPDATED December 22, 2016

Donald J. Trump's [global business empire](#) will create an unprecedented number of conflicts of interest for a United States president, experts in legal ethics say.

Mr. Trump [has said](#) he will separate himself from his company before taking the oath of office, but he has not offered any details on how.

[Ethics experts warn](#) that if Mr. Trump puts his children in control of operations but continues to own the company, he will remain vulnerable to charges that his actions as president are guided by personal financial interests.

Here are some examples of the potential conflicts:

Trump International Hotel, Washington

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The New Panama Canal: A Risky Bet

How a \$3.1 Billion Expansion Collided With Reality. [Leer en español.](#)

By WALT BOGDANICH, JACQUELINE WILLIAMS and ANA GRACIELA MÉNDEZ JUNE 22, 2016



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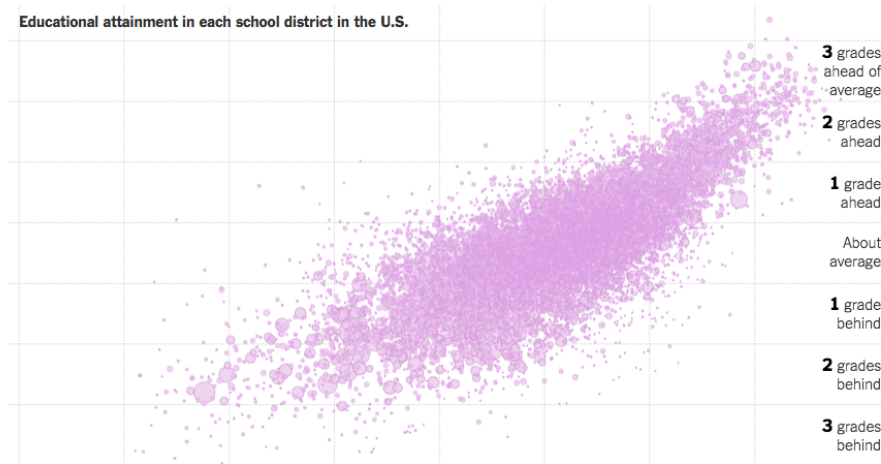
Money, Race and Success: How Your School District Compares

By MOTOKO RICH, AMANDA COX and MATTHEW BLOCH APRIL 29, 2016

Sixth graders in the richest school districts are four grade levels ahead of children in the poorest districts.

Find a district ...

Educational attainment in each school district in the U.S.



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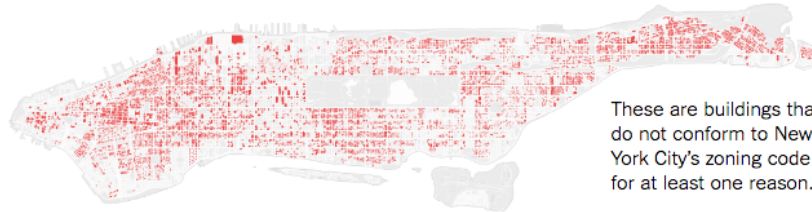
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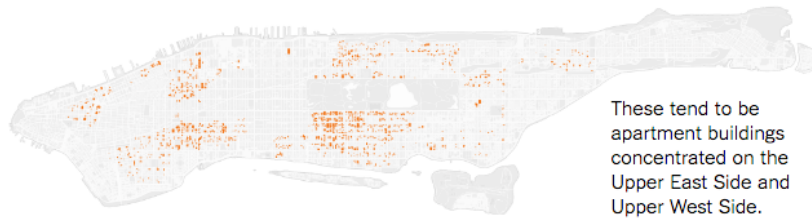
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By NICHOLAS CASEY NOV. 25, 2016



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