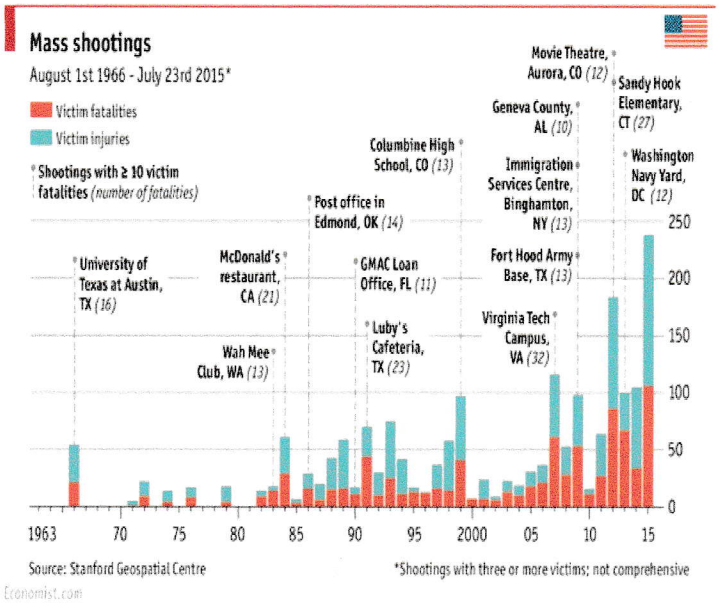
Graph of the Week
December 7-11, 2015

Analyze the graphs below and write a reflection on what you think the graphs are communicating to you. To guide you with your response, start with some observations.

- What is the topic of the graph?
- What does the x-axis represent? What does the y-axis represent?
- What are some observations that you can make based on the graph?
- What do you foresee happening about 5 years from now?

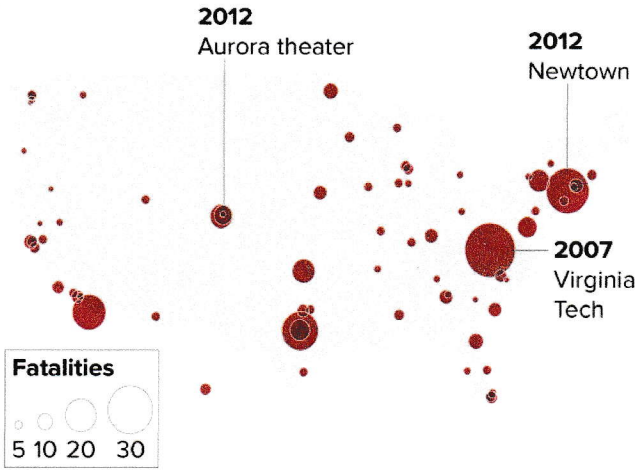
Questions to ask when reading graphs:

- Is there an upward or downward trend?
- Are there any sudden spikes in the graph?
- What is being compared in the graph?
- What prediction can I make for the future?
- What inferences can I make about the graph?



MASS SHOOTINGS IN THE U.S.

There have been 72 mass shootings since 1982, according to a database maintained by MotherJones. A total of 575 people have been killed and 522 others injured.



SOURCE | MotherJones
NOTES | This map defines mass shootings as attacks in public places in which four or more victims were killed. Mass murders in private homes related to domestic violence and shootings tied to gang or criminal activity have been excluded.

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