

# Build a Data Sculpture

## Find a Story

Data is most useful when you can use it to tell a story about something. Using the data on this handout, try to find a story that you can tell by building a mini sculpture.

- Does one piece of data jump out at you?
- If you take a step back is there a pattern in the data?
- Do you see a story when comparing one part to another?

## Make a Sculpture

Data visualization is very popular right now, but sometimes is hard to digest. Making a “sculpture” is a fun way to start playing with how to present your data story to other people.

- What symbols can you build to represent your data?
- How can you attract attention with this stuff?
- Can you tell simple and complex stories?

## How Does Somerville Feel?

### Happiness

Somerville asked its residents “How happy are you right now?”



### The Future

Overall, would you say Somerville is moving in the right direction, or the wrong direction?

