

Lancaster County Jail Trends Analysis

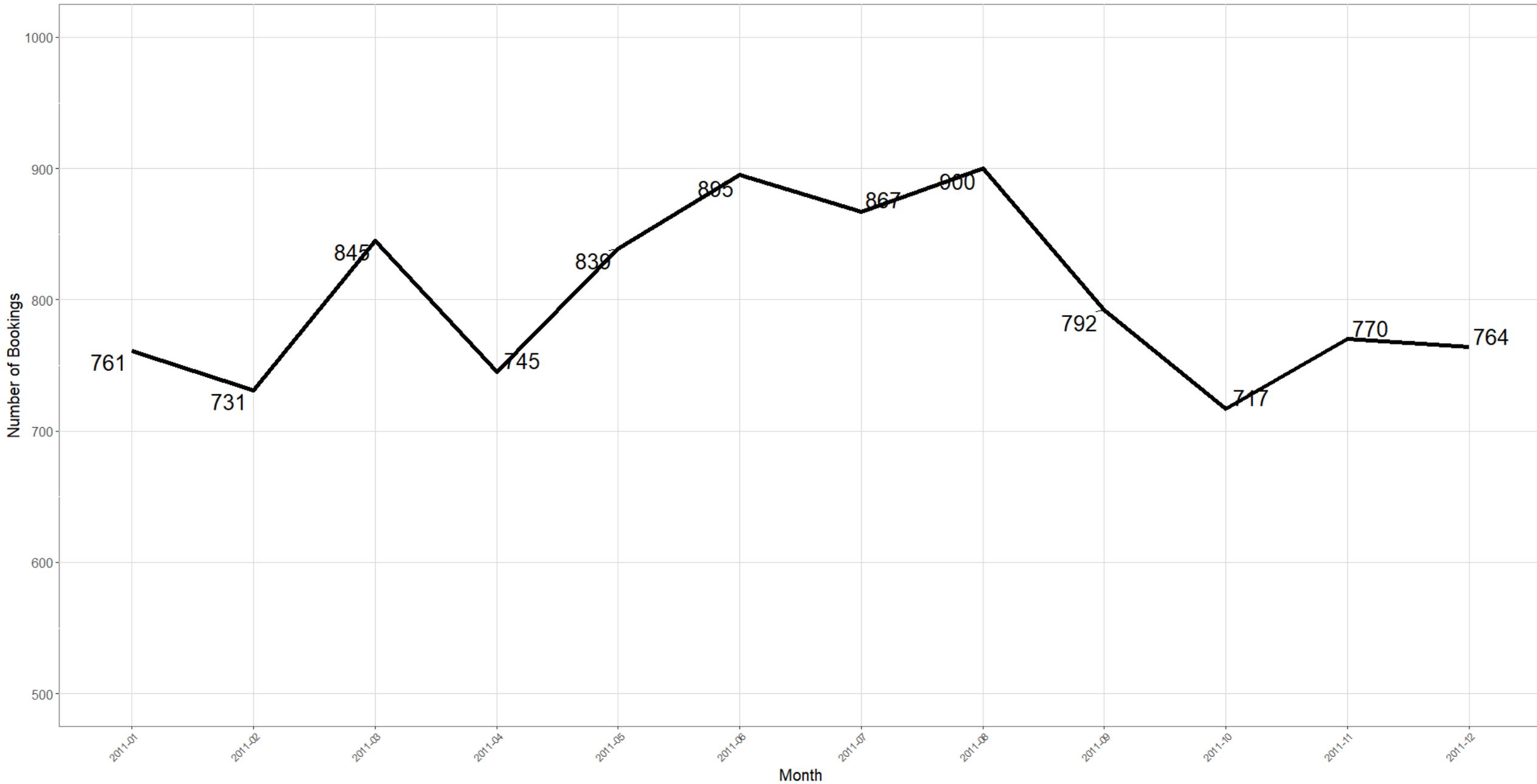
Jail Bookings, Jail Population, High Utilizers

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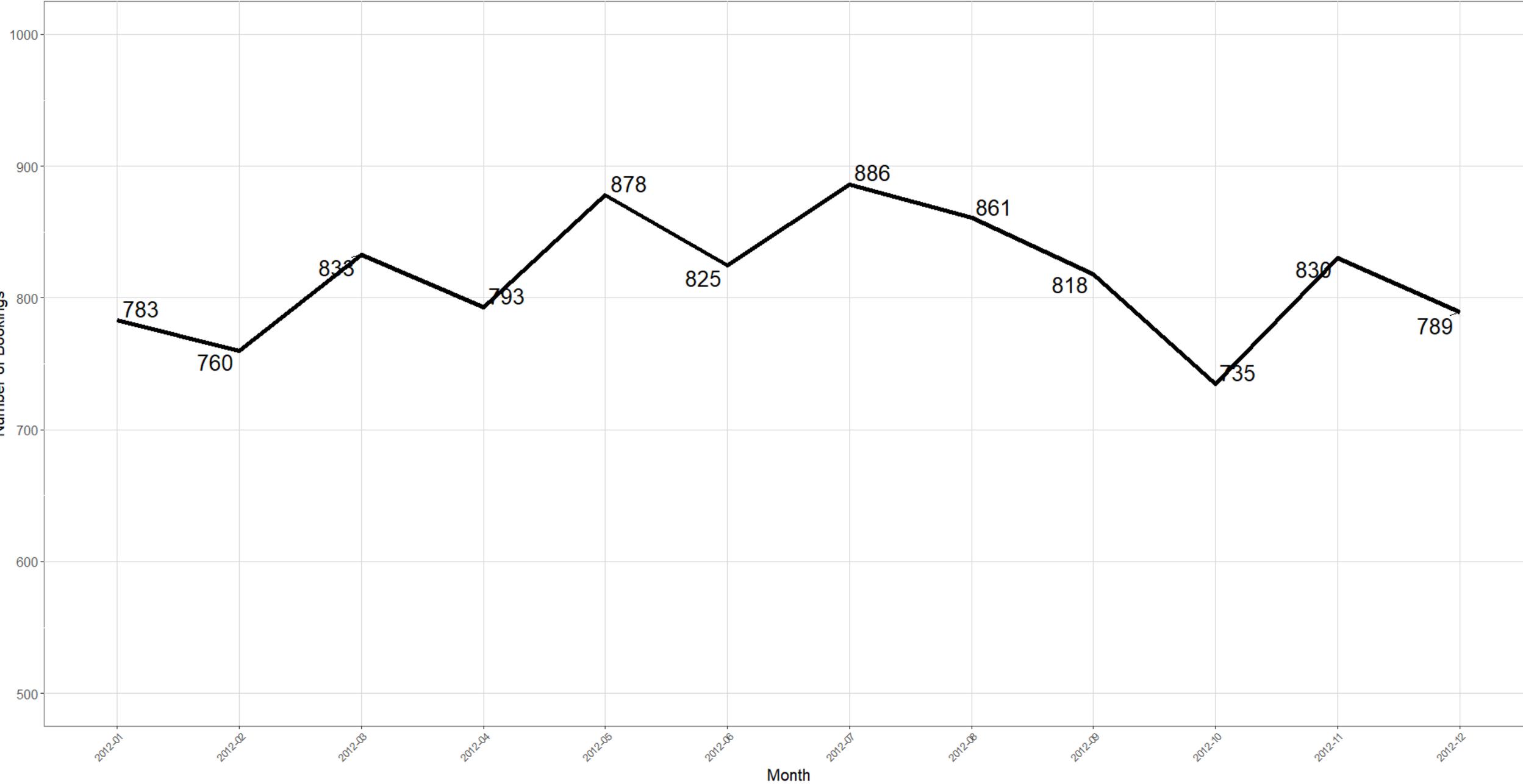
Jail Bookings Over Time (Bookings per Month, Quarter, Year)

What are the trends in the number of bookings into Lancaster County Corrections?

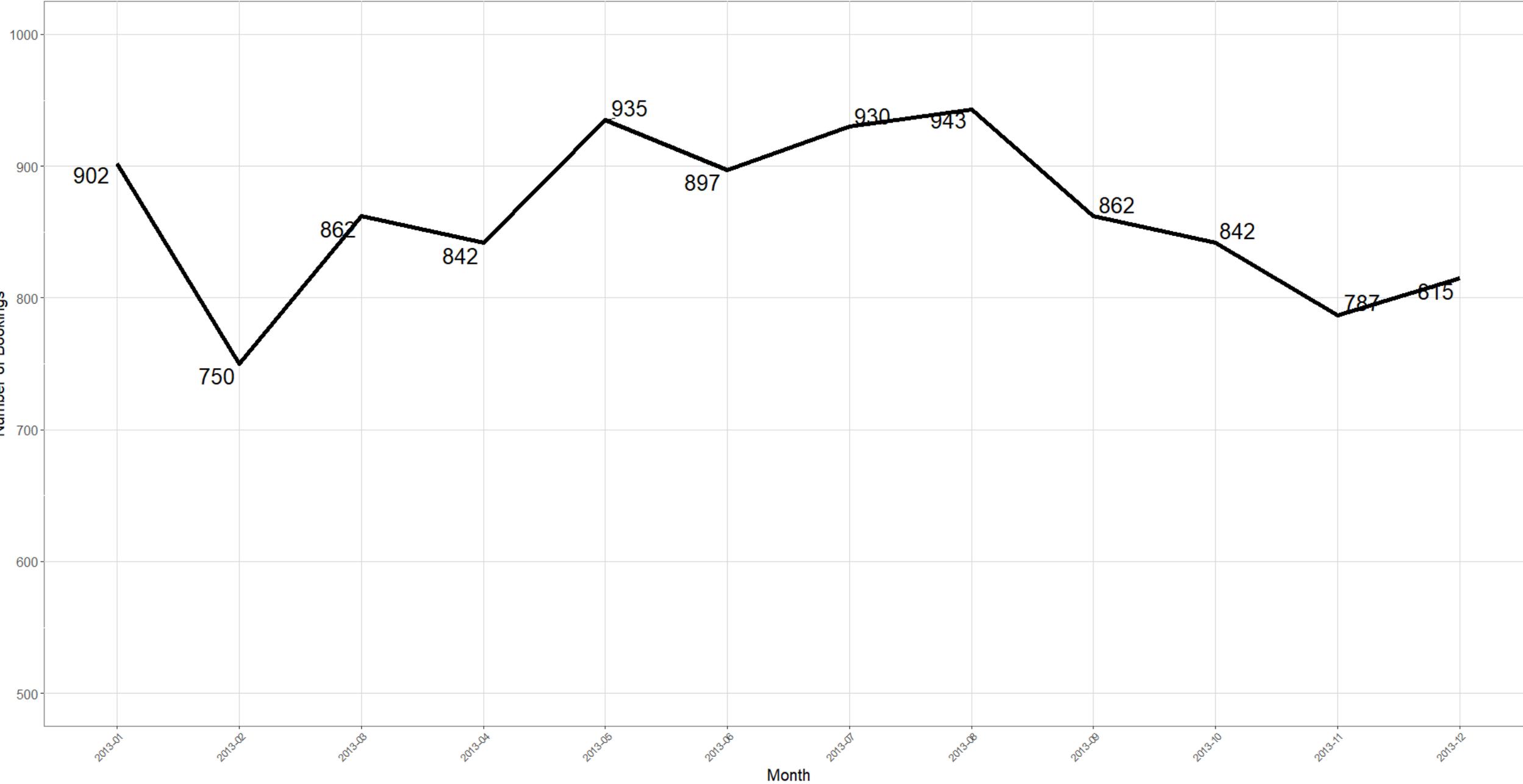
Lancaster County Jail Bookings per Month, 2011



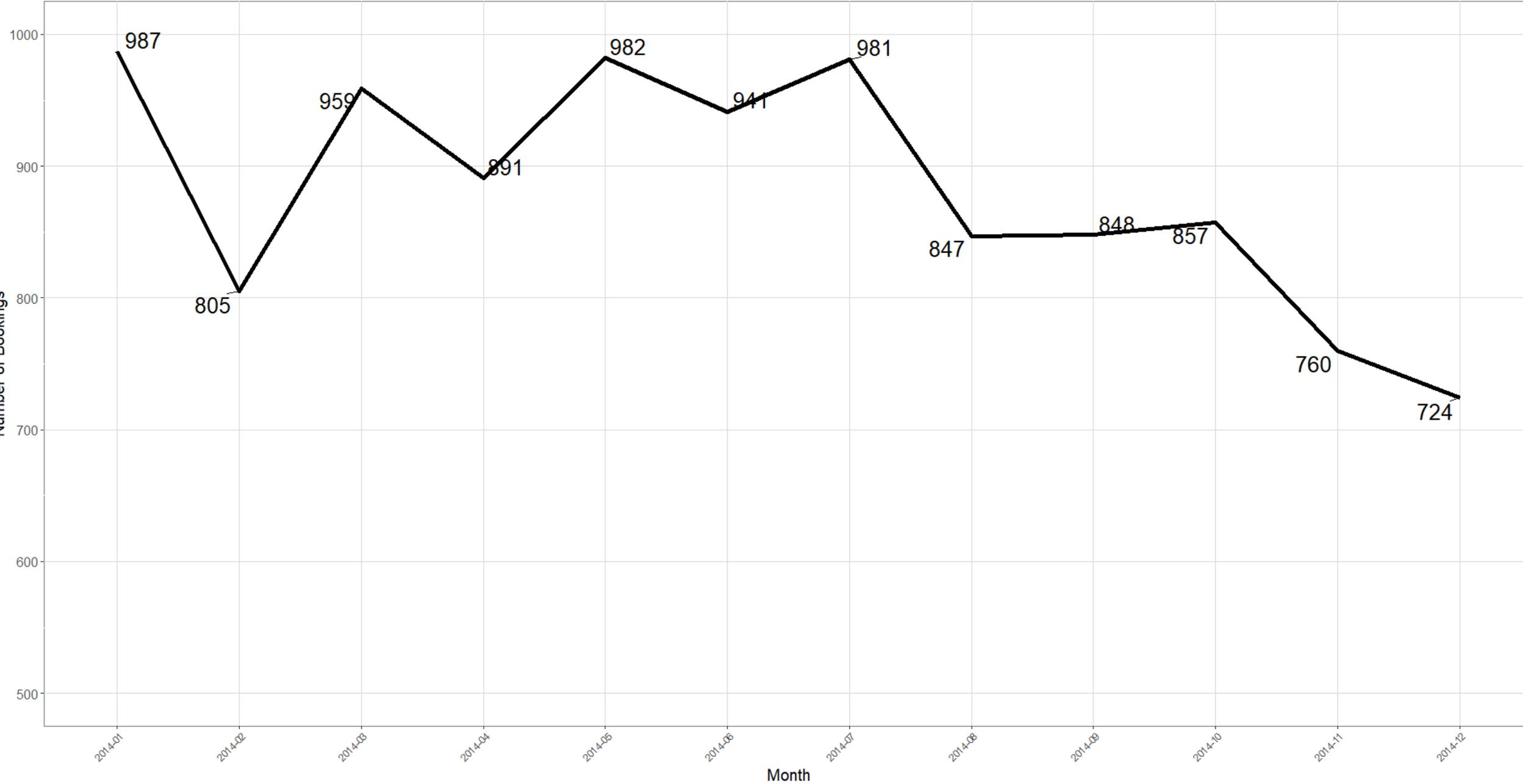
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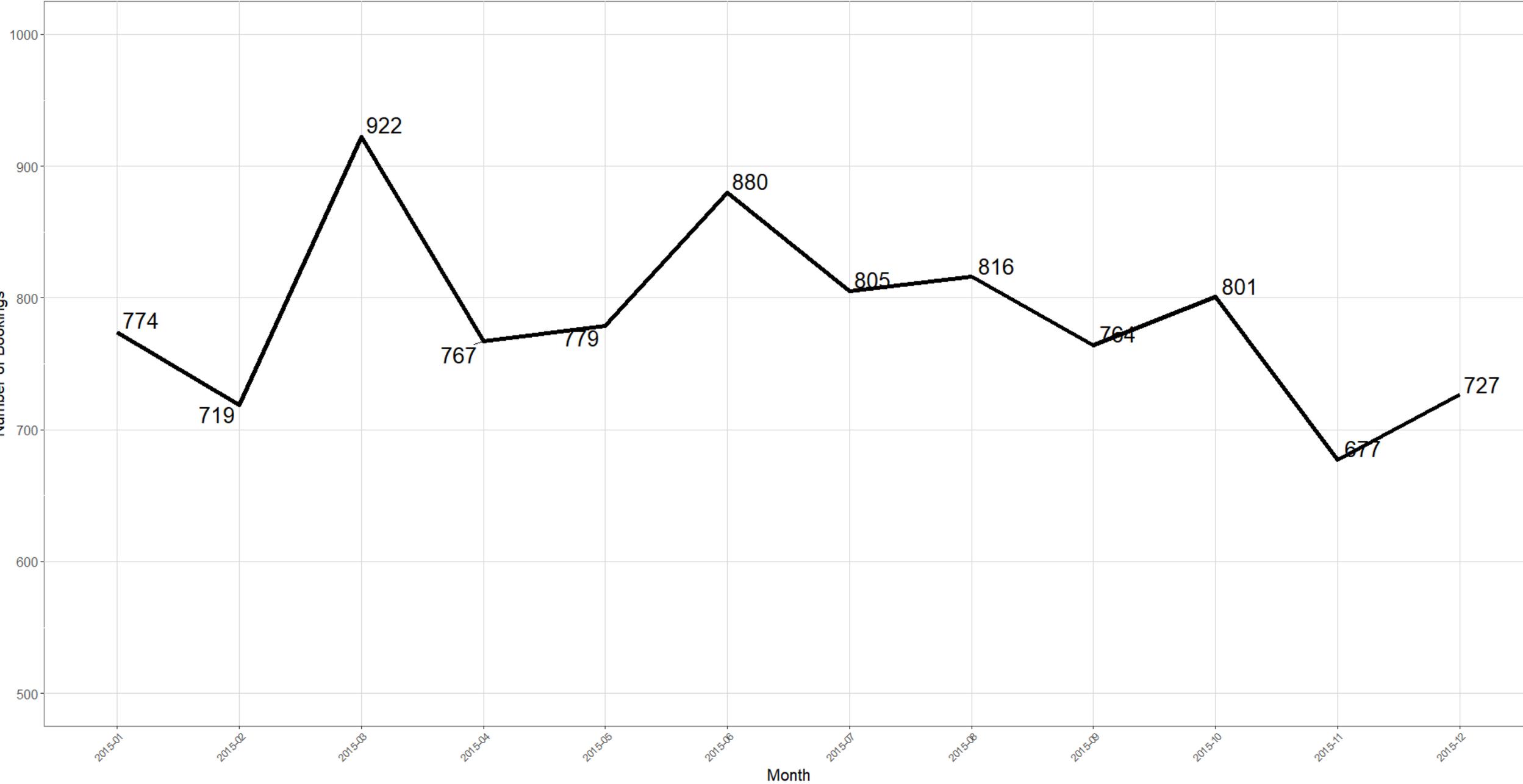
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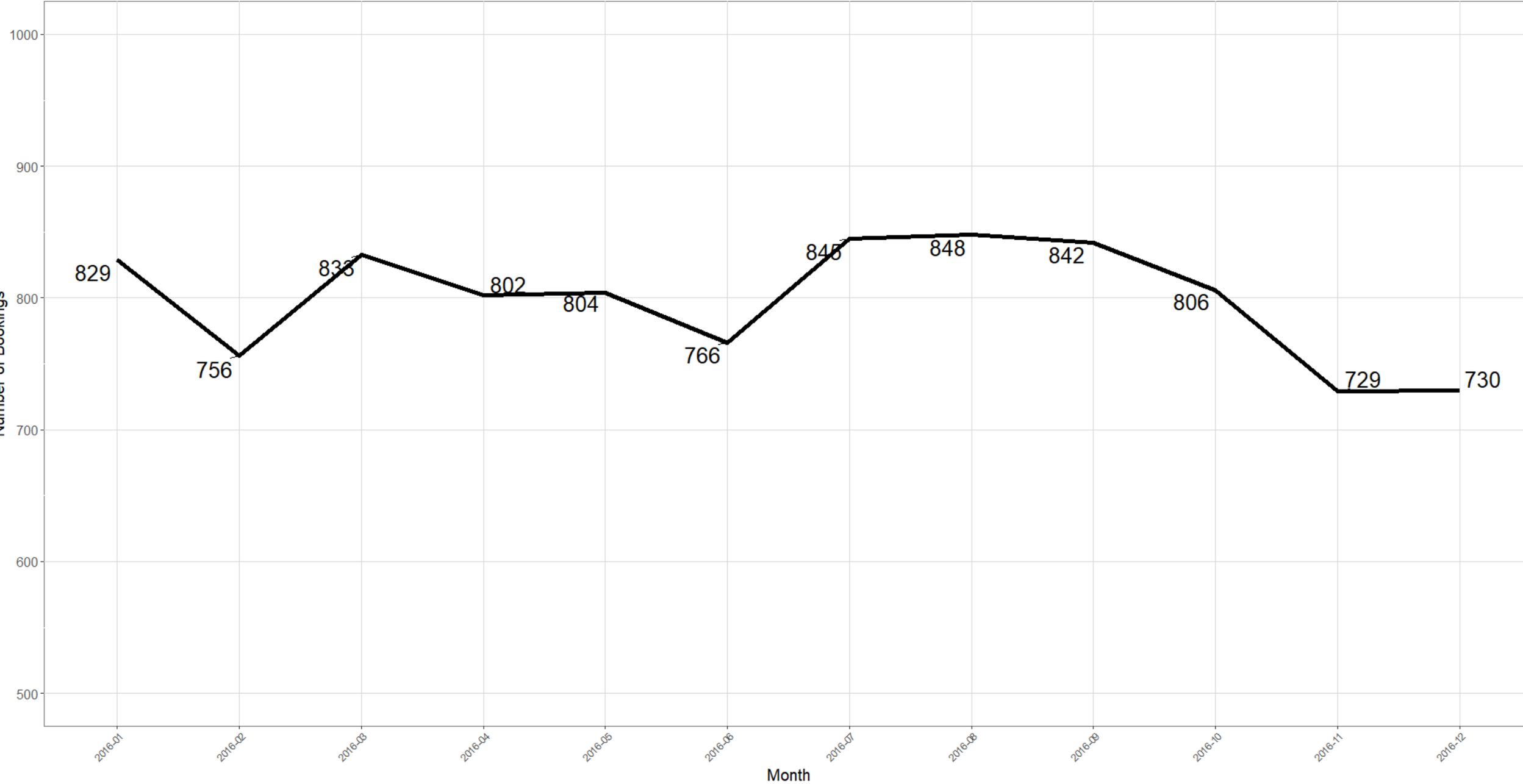
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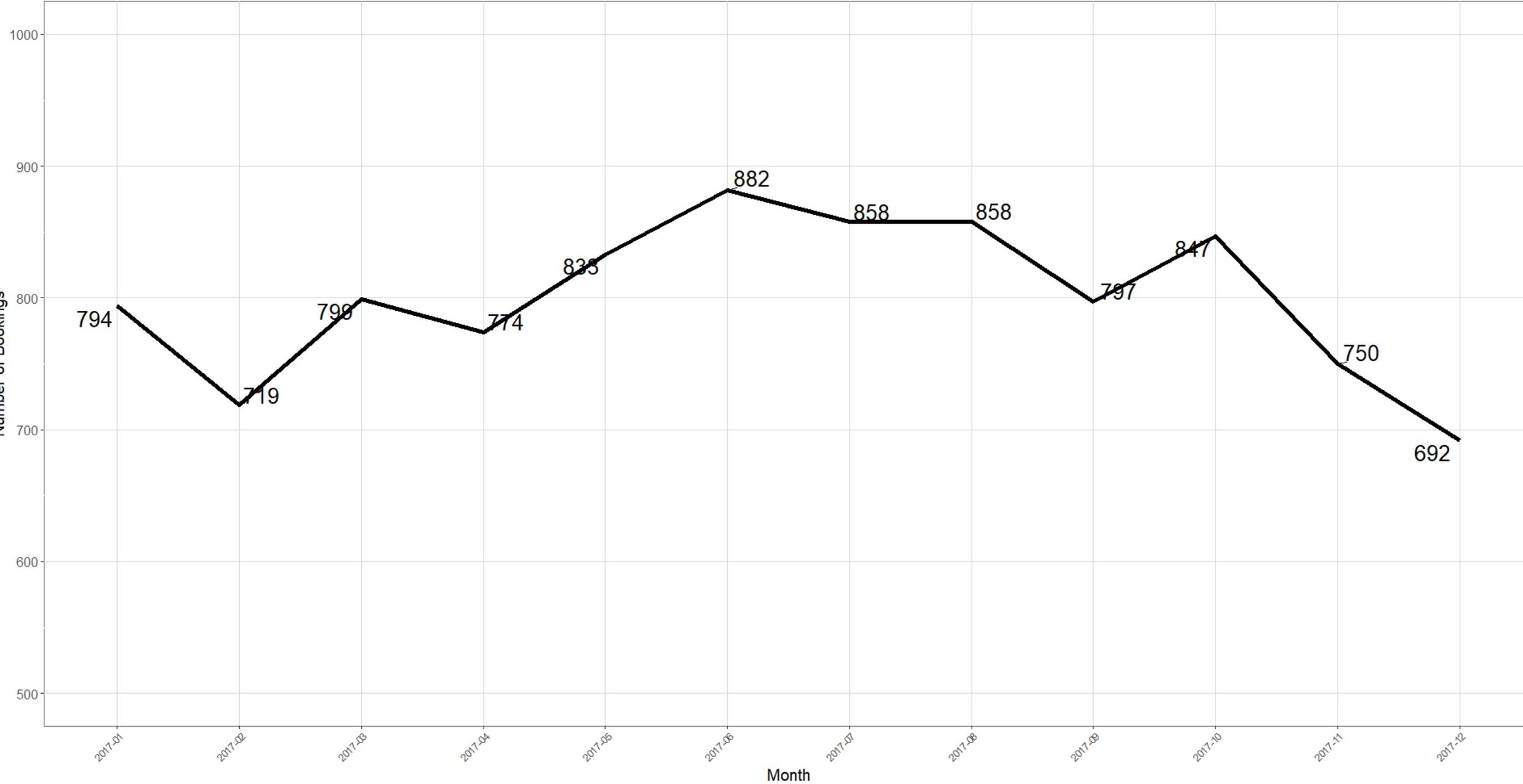
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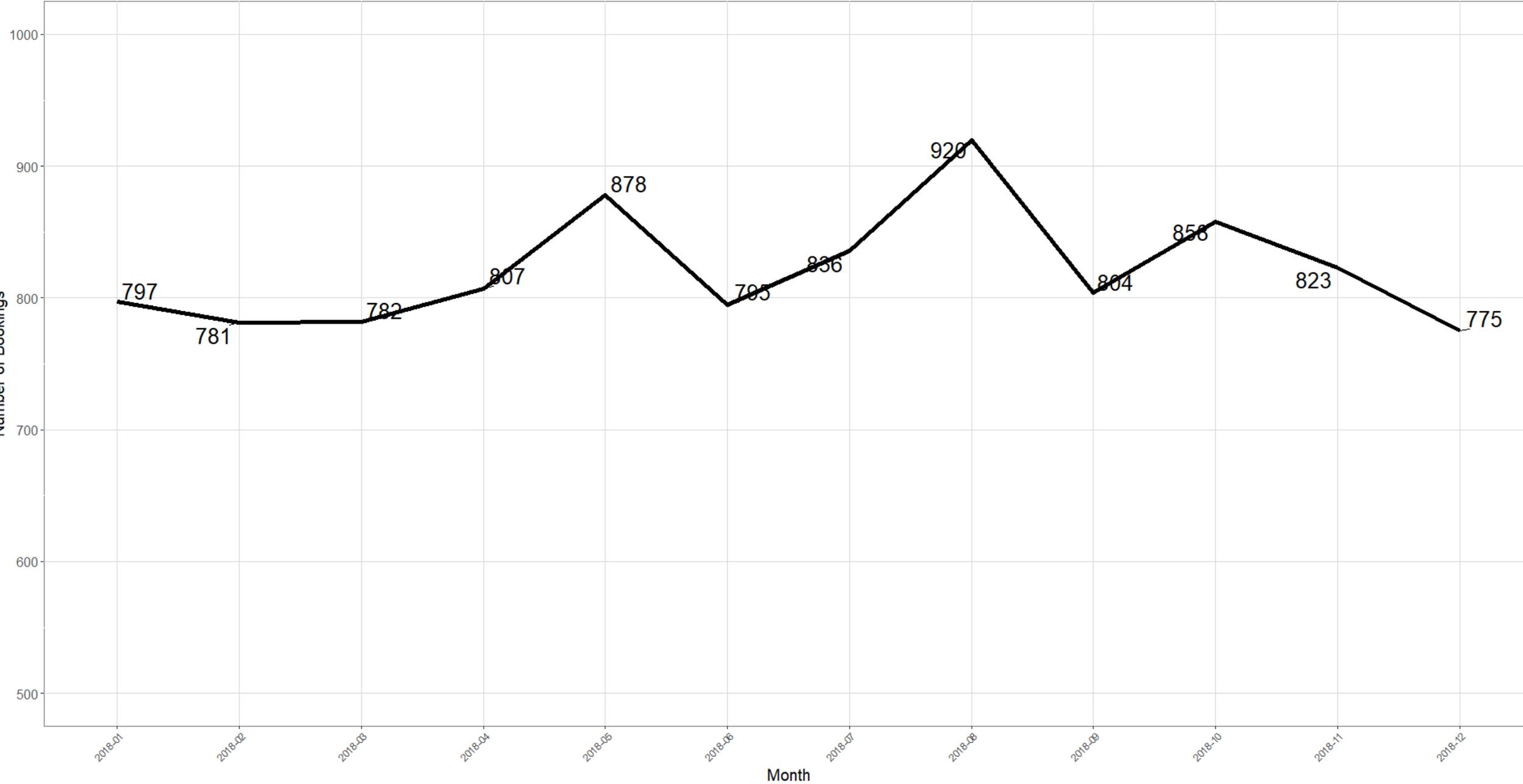
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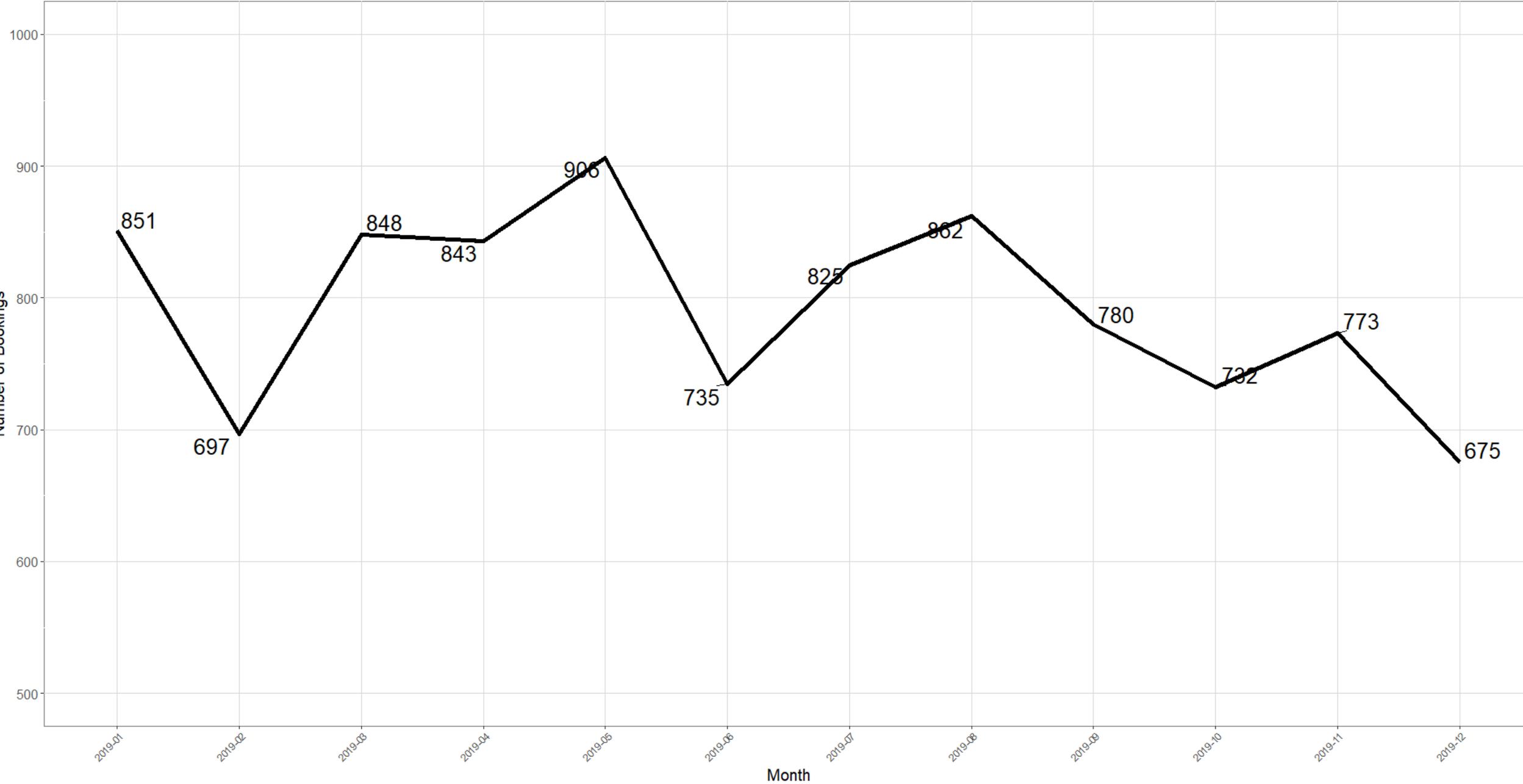
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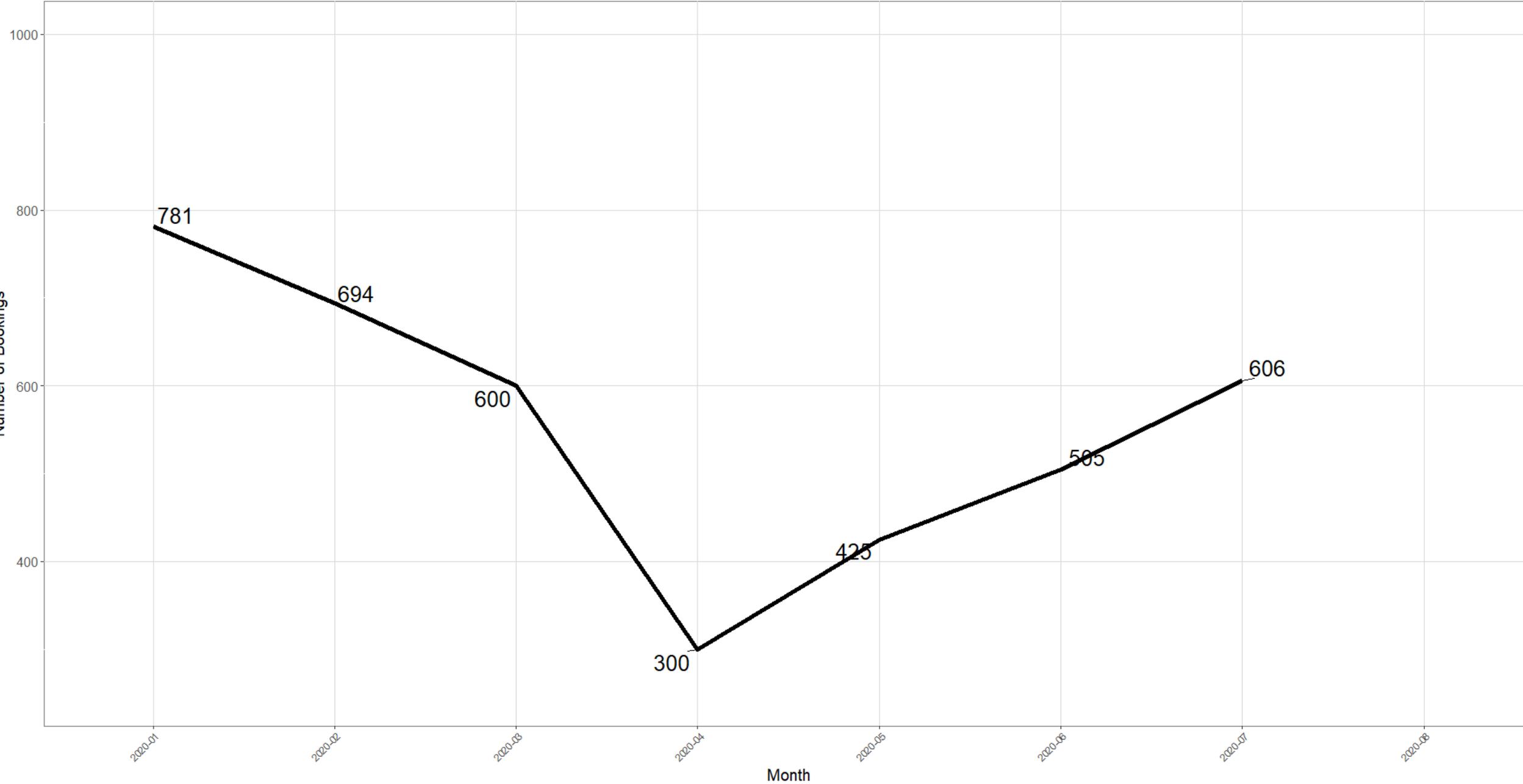
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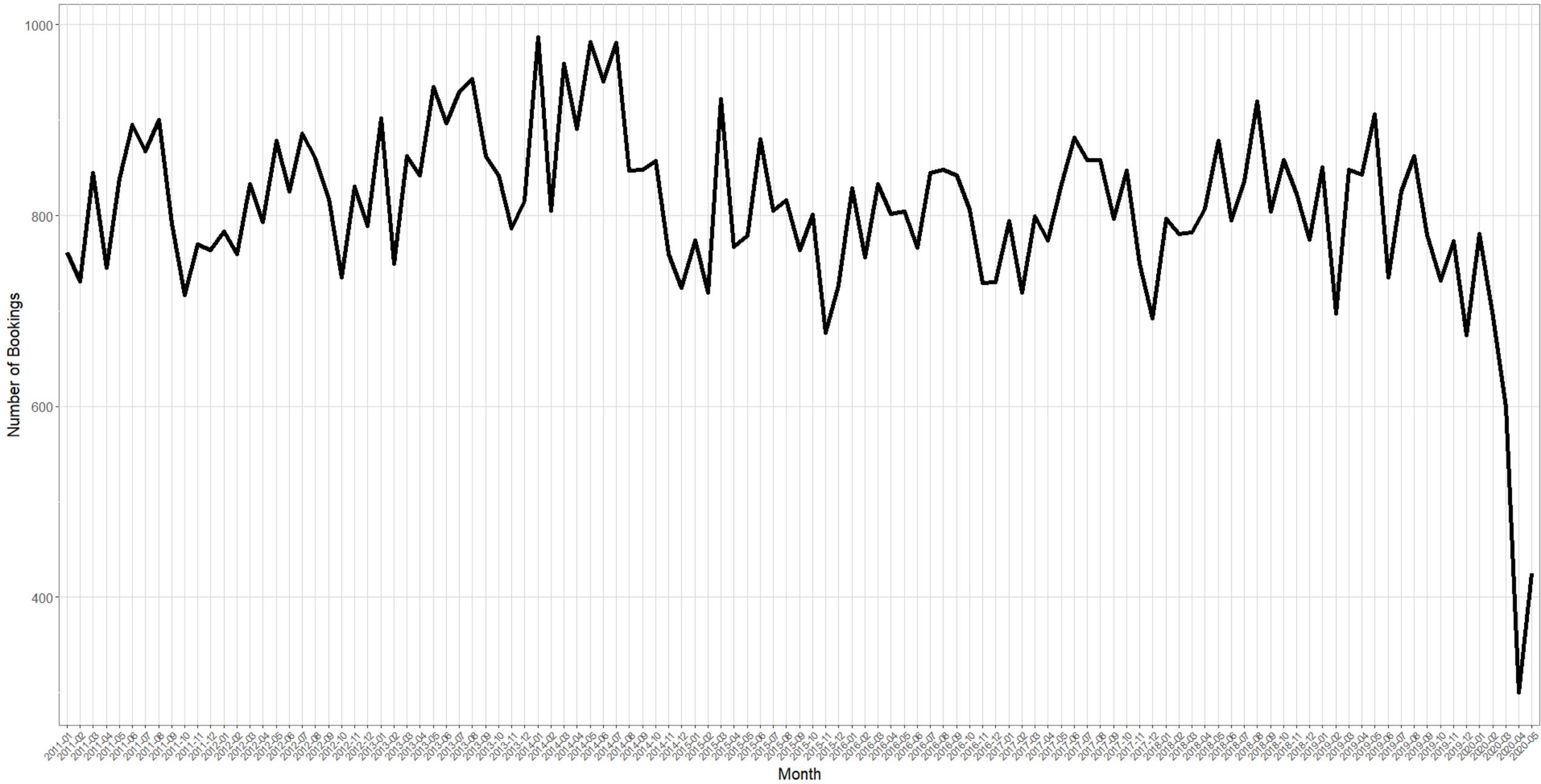
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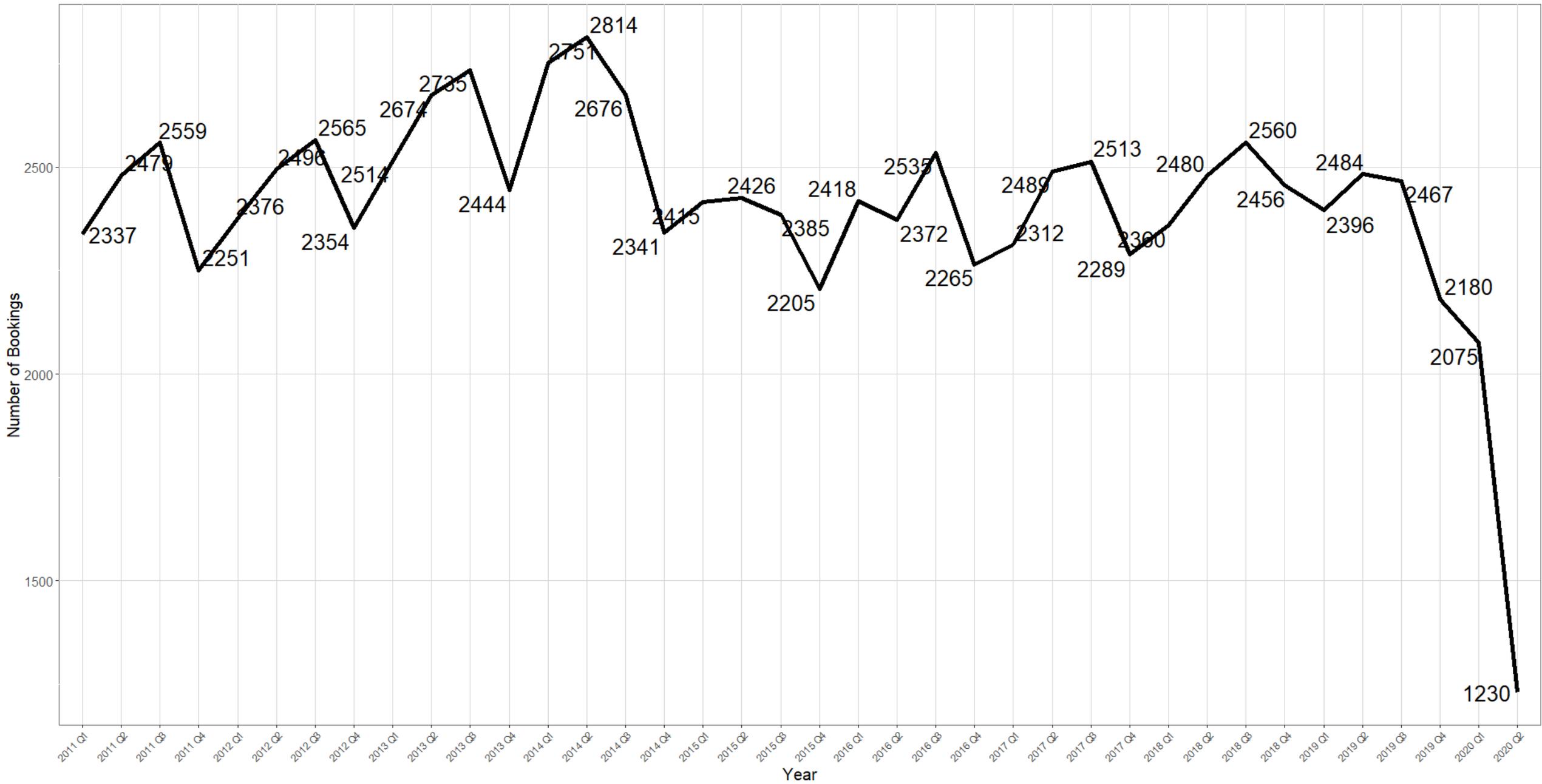
Lancaster County Jail Bookings per Month, 2020



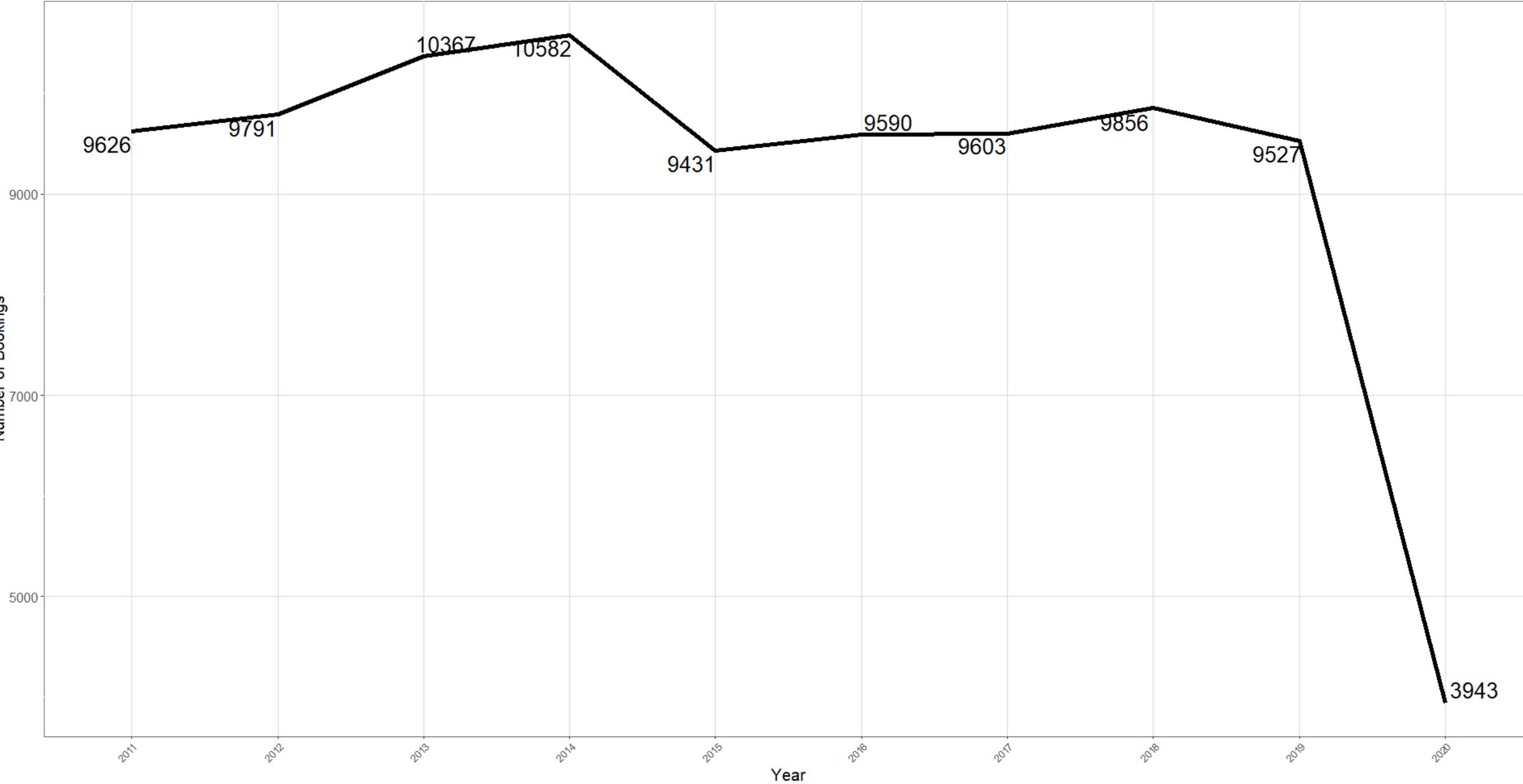
Lancaster County Jail Bookings per Month, 2011-2020



Lancaster County Jail Bookings per Quarter, 2011-2020



Lancaster County Jail Bookings per Year, 2011-2020



Jail Population

How does Lancaster County's jail population compare to other jurisdictions?

Comparison to Other Jurisdictions

- Polk County, Iowa (2019 Population 490,161)
 - 805 In-Custody as of July 13, 2020 (703 In-Custody as of April 20, 2020)
 - **164.2 people per 100,000 residents**
- Dane County, Wisconsin (2019 Population 546,695)
 - 2018 Average Daily Population: 760
 - **139.1 people per 100,000 residents**
- Shawnee County, Kansas (2019 Population 176,875)
 - 2018 Average Daily Population: 560
 - **316.6 people per 100,000 residents**
- Lancaster County, Nebraska (2019 Population 319,090)
 - Jan-Mar 2020 Average Daily Population: 612
 - **191.8 people per 100,000 residents**
- National average in 2018 was **226 inmates per 100,000 residents (BJS)**
- National average in 2019 was **230 inmates per 100,000 residents (Vera)**

High Utilizer Analysis

To what extent do “high utilizers” drive bookings and jail days?

Yearly Impact of Individuals with 5 or More Bookings from 2011 to 2020

	# of Unique Individuals Booked Into Jail	# of Individuals w/ 5 or More Bookings	Total Number of Bookings in Year	Total Number of Bookings for High Utilizers in Year	% of Bookings Accounted for by High Utilizers	Total Number of Jail Days in Year	Total Number of Jail Days for High Utilizers in Year	% of Jail Days Accounted for by High Utilizers
2011	6,502	147	9,626	971	10.1%	186,550	11,532	6.2%
2012	6,503	160	9,797	1008	10.3%	208,374	12,805	6.1%
2013	6,683	181	10,367	1227	11.8%	212,589	15,360	7.2%
2014	6,699	221	10,582	1479	14.0%	209,513	18,204	8.7%
2015	6,287	154	9,431	964	10.2%	203,360	15,420	7.6%
2016	6,390	144	9,590	864	9.0%	233,224	13,488	5.8%
2017	6,307	157	9,603	1012	10.5%	223,463	15,402	6.9%
2018	6,465	144	9,856	910	9.2%	226,078	12,623	5.6%
2019	6,228	144	9,527	923	9.7%	190,401	9,598	5.0%
2020	3,071	23	3,943	135	3.4%	78,257	1754	2.2%

When we look at the data on a yearly basis, high utilizers (those with 5 or more bookings in a year) do not appear to be a very heavy burden on the system. Year-to-year, these individuals account for about 9-12% of total bookings each year, and about 6-9% of total jail days.

As the next slide indicates, the story changes when we disregard years and look at high utilizers across years.

Aggregate Impact of Individuals with 5 or More Bookings from 2011 to 2020

# of Unique Individuals Booked Into Jail	# of Individuals w/ 5 or More Bookings	Total Number of Bookings	Total Number of Bookings for High Utilizers	% of Bookings Accounted for by High Utilizers	Total Number of Jail Days	Total Number of Jail Days for High Utilizers	% of Jail Days Accounted for by High Utilizers
31,936	5,456	92,316	49,395	53.5%	2,073,716	1,186,933	57.2%

When we disregard the yearly analysis and focus on the aggregate bookings from 2011-2020, it becomes clear that “high utilizers” disproportionately affect the system:

- 5,456 individuals were booked in 5 or more times between 2011 and 2020 (this is 17.1% of the total number of individuals booked into jail)
 - These individuals averaged 9.05 bookings during this time (about 1 booking per year)
- These individuals account for 53.5% of the total number of bookings during this time
- These individuals account for 57.2% of the total number of jail days during this time
- There were 61 individuals who had at least one booking from 2011 to 2019
 - These individuals were responsible for 1,686 bookings and 34,975 total jail days during this time

Next Steps

- Which individuals account for the greatest number of jail days?
- Examine offense types for that drive bookings and jail days.
- Use Mental Health Screen data to examine prevalence of positive screens among high utilizers.
- Consider strategies such as those outlined here:
https://csgjusticecenter.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/01/JC_How-to-Reduce-Repeat-Encounters_TwoPager8JAN20508compliant.pdf