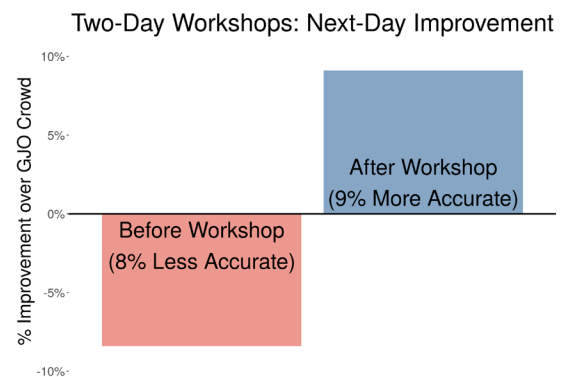# Three Reasons Why You Should Attend a Good Judgment Forecasting Workshop

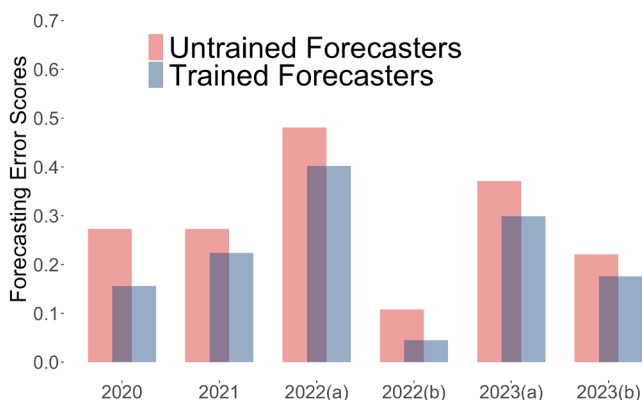## Reason 1. Immediate and consistent improvements

Graduates from our training workshops show immediate and consistent improvements in forecasting accuracy versus the crowd.

Forecasters who forecasted on our training platform Good Judgment Open (GJO) both before and after completing a two-day workshop saw **measurable and statistically significant next-day improvement in accuracy after training.**

Prior to the workshop, their individual forecasts were 8% **worse** than the GJO Crowd (1,563 forecasts over 529 unique questions). After the workshop, their forecasts were 9% **better** than the GJO Crowd (6,989 forecasts over 724 unique questions).

Two-Day Workshops: Next-Day Improvement

% Improvement over GJO Crowd

Before Workshop (8% Less Accurate)

After Workshop (9% More Accurate)

Extended Workshops: Sustained Improvement

Forecasting Error Scores

Untrained Forecasters
Trained Forecasters

2020 · 2021 · 2022(a) · 2022(b) · 2023(a) · 2023(b)

In addition to two-day sessions, we also offer extended workshops that consist of four training sessions plus mentorship by Superforecasters® while forecasting on GJO to allow participants to learn how to maximize accuracy over the lifecycle of a forecasting question.

We tracked six classes of graduates over three months of forecasting on 178 real-world questions. **Graduates improved by 29% on average.**

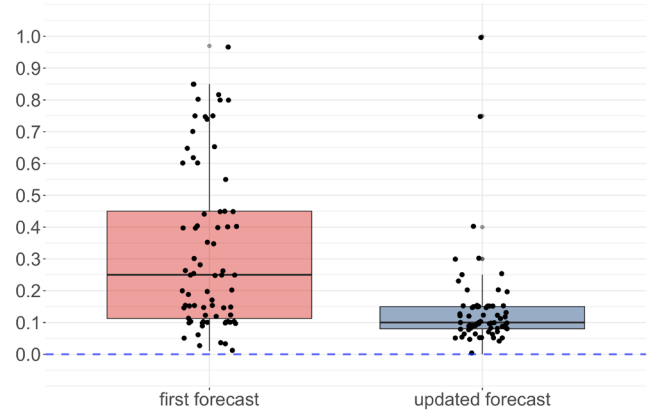When comparing the graduates to a cohort of forecasters who signed up on GJO at the same time, forecasted on the same questions, but did **not** receive training, the graduates were 33% more accurate (see graph on the left; lower scores are more accurate). **Gains in accuracy—both over time and relative to peer forecasters without training—were observed in all six classes of workshop graduates.**

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Reason 2. Proven forecasting methods you can use within your organization

Graduates learn proven forecasting methods they can use within their organization. Most workshop attendees are interested in utilizing the methods to improve forecast accuracy. In our workshops, we demonstrate empirically validated methods in a team setting to share information, update individual forecasts, and then aggregate forecasts. The methods increase understanding, thereby driving down forecaster disagreement (as measured by standard deviation of forecasts). We have tested this method on real world, bottom line-relevant forecasting questions (3,045 forecasts over 200 questions). **On average, the methods reduced individual disagreement by 25% and also improved group accuracy by 25%.**

Example Question: What is the probability that there be a lethal confrontation between the national military forces, militia, and/or law enforcement personnel of India and the People's Republic of China before 1 January 2023?

The dots represent individual forecasts, the horizontal line shows the mean, and the shaded areas indicate the middle quartiles. These forecasts were elicited on 2022-07-25 during a GJ Workshop, and this question resolved "NO".

Reason 3. Improvement in mitigating cognitive biases

Before-and-after psychometric comparison of graduates shows a marked improvement in mitigating cognitive biases. Our focus on biases routinely comes up as one of the most useful takeaways in post-workshop feedback. Throughout the workshop, we deploy a range of psychometric tests to measure a variety of biases that often lead to poor forecasts. We also teach techniques to detect and mitigate these biases in real-world settings. Before-and-after analysis from workshop participants in 2022 **revealed a 37% average reduction in collective bias after training**.

Bias	% Improvement
Anchoring	75%
Base rate insensitivity	25%
Confirmation bias	38%
Cognitive refection	17%
Conjunction fallacy	28%

Bonus Reason: Attendees are highly likely to recommend our workshops

At the conclusion of our workshops, we ask how likely each participant is to recommend the workshop to a colleague or friend using a 10-point scale that ranges from *Less Likely* (1) to *More Likely* (10). Since 2022, our **average session rating is 9.0**. In fact, repeat workshop clients make up a majority of our current and future workshop attendees.

Ready to attend a Good Judgment Forecasting Workshop?

Hone forecasting and decision-making skills with Superforecaster-led sessions focused on mitigating hidden cognitive biases, minimizing noise, and weighing new evidence. Contact us to learn more about workshop options for individuals and teams.