

Answer Key: Chapter 13 - Exploring the World of Statistics

Objective: I can distinguish populations, samples, data types, and sampling methods.

Use precise statistical vocabulary and explain possible bias.

1. The population is . The sample is .
2. The 62% describes the surveyed sample rather than the entire population, so it is a .
3. Shoe size is numerical, so it is . Favorite subject records a label, so it is .
4. The number of siblings is countable and therefore . Height may take any value in an interval and is therefore .
5. Surveying only basketball-team members is a and is biased. Team members are likely more physically active than the full student body, so the survey would probably .
6. Assign every student a unique number from 1 to 1,200, then use a random-number process to select 100 distinct numbers. This is a because every student has an equal chance of selection.

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Objective: I can calculate and interpret measures of center and spread.

7. Add the values and divide by 5:

$$\bar{x} = \frac{6 + 8 + 8 + 10 + 13}{5} = \frac{45}{5} = \boxed{9}.$$

8. For 6, 8, 8, 10, 13, the middle value is 8, the repeated value is 8, and

$$13 - 6 = 7.$$

Thus $\boxed{\text{median} = 8}$, $\boxed{\text{mode} = 8}$, and $\boxed{\text{range} = 7}$.

9. Order the data:

9, 11, 12, 13, 15, 18.

The median is the average of the two middle values:

$$\frac{12 + 13}{2} = \boxed{12.5}.$$

10. A mean of 18 for 5 values requires a total of $5(18) = 90$. The known values total 72, so the missing value is

$$90 - 72 = \boxed{18}.$$

11. A mean of 8 for 5 values requires a sum of 40:

$$4 + 7 + 9 + 10 + x = 40 \Rightarrow 30 + x = 40.$$

Therefore $\boxed{x = 10}$.

12. Originally,

$$\bar{x} = \frac{32}{5} = 6.4, \quad \text{median} = 6.$$

After adding 30,

$$\bar{x} = \frac{62}{6} \approx 10.33, \quad \text{median} = \frac{6 + 7}{2} = 6.5.$$

The mean changes by about 3.93, but the median changes by only 0.5. Thus the $\boxed{\text{median is more resistant to the outlier}}$.

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Objective: I can find quartiles, interquartile range, five-number summaries, and outliers.

Use the median-of-halves convention, excluding the overall median when necessary.

13. For 2, 4, 5, 7, 9, 10, 12, 15,

$$Q_1 = \frac{4 + 5}{2} = 4.5, \quad M = \frac{7 + 9}{2} = 8,$$

$$Q_3 = \frac{10 + 12}{2} = 11, \quad IQR = 11 - 4.5 = 6.5.$$

Therefore $Q_1 = 4.5, M = 8, Q_3 = 11, IQR = 6.5$.

14. Using the quartiles from Question 13, the five-number summary is

$(2, 4.5, 8, 11, 15)$.

15. Here $IQR = 22 - 10 = 12$. The fences are

$$10 - 1.5(12) = -8, \quad 22 + 1.5(12) = 40.$$

Of 5, 12, 18, 22, 41, only 41 lies outside the fences.

16. For 3, 5, 6, 8, 9, 11, 12, 20,

$$Q_1 = 5.5, \quad Q_3 = 11.5, \quad IQR = 6.$$

The fences are -3.5 and 20.5 . Since 20 lies within them, it is not an outlier .

17. Adding 4 to every value adds 4 to the mean, median, Q_1 , and Q_3 . Differences are unchanged, so the range and IQR remain the same. Therefore

$\text{center measures increase by 4; spread measures are unchanged}$.

18. Multiplying every value by 3 multiplies measures of center and spread by 3:

$$\text{new median} = 3(7) = 21, \quad \text{new IQR} = 3(4) = 12.$$

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Objective: I can calculate and interpret mean absolute deviation, variance, standard deviation, and standard scores.

19. The mean of 2, 4, 6, 8, 10 is 6. The absolute deviations are 4, 2, 0, 2, 4:

$$MAD = \frac{4 + 2 + 0 + 2 + 4}{5} = \boxed{2.4}.$$

20. For 2, 4, 6, the population mean is 4. Thus

$$\sigma^2 = \frac{(2-4)^2 + (4-4)^2 + (6-4)^2}{3} = \boxed{\frac{8}{3}}.$$

Therefore

$$\sigma = \sqrt{\frac{8}{3}} = \boxed{\frac{2\sqrt{6}}{3} \approx 1.63}.$$

21. Every value equals the mean, so every deviation is zero. The population standard deviation is $\boxed{0}$.

22. Both sets have mean 10, but Set A has no deviation from its mean. Set B ranges from 6 to 14. Therefore $\boxed{\text{Set B}}$ has greater variability.

23. Use $z = (x - \mu)/\sigma$:

$$z = \frac{78 - 70}{4} = \boxed{2}.$$

The score is two standard deviations above the mean.

24. Use $x = \mu + z\sigma$:

$$x = 50 + (-1.5)(6) = 50 - 9 = \boxed{41}.$$

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Objective: I can extract measures of center from frequency data and calculate weighted means.

25. The total frequency is 10. The weighted total is

$$1(2) + 2(5) + 3(2) + 4(1) = 22.$$

Thus the mean is $\boxed{22/10 = 2.2}$.

26. There are 10 observations, so use positions 5 and 6. Both positions contain the value 2, giving $\boxed{\text{median} = 2}$.

27. The value 2 has the greatest frequency, 5. Therefore $\boxed{\text{mode} = 2}$.

28. Multiply each category by its weight:

$$0.60(80) + 0.25(90) + 0.15(100) = 48 + 22.5 + 15 = \boxed{85.5\%}.$$

29. Use total points divided by total students:

$$\frac{20(72) + 30(84)}{20 + 30} = \frac{3960}{50} = \boxed{79.2}.$$

30. The total frequency is 10, and

$$70(1) + 80(3) + 90(4) + 100(2) = 870.$$

Therefore the mean is $\boxed{870/10 = 87}$.

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Objective: I can calculate joint, marginal, and conditional relative frequencies and assess association.

31. The joint count for Grade 9 and soccer is 18 out of 60 students:

$$\frac{18}{60} = \boxed{30\%}.$$

32. Among Grade 10 students, 16 of 30 prefer basketball:

$$\frac{16}{30} \approx \boxed{53.3\%}.$$

33. The conditional soccer percentages are

$$\frac{18}{30} = 60\% \quad \text{for Grade 9,} \quad \frac{14}{30} \approx 46.7\% \quad \text{for Grade 10.}$$

Thus $\boxed{\text{Grade 9 has the higher soccer preference by about 13.3 points}}.$

34. The pass rates are

$$\frac{36}{40} = \boxed{90\%} \quad \text{with attendance,} \quad \frac{24}{40} = \boxed{60\%} \quad \text{without attendance.}$$

35. The conditional pass rates differ by

$$90\% - 60\% = \boxed{30 \text{ percentage points}}.$$

This shows an association between attendance and passing, but does not by itself prove causation.

36. There are 20 students who did not pass out of 80 total:

$$\frac{20}{80} = \boxed{25\%}.$$

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Objective: I can interpret algebraic prediction models, correlation, and residuals without visual displays.

37. The y -values increase by 2 whenever x increases by 1, and $y = 3$ when $x = 1$. The exact rule is

$$y = 2x + 1.$$

38. In $S = 6h + 52$, the slope is 6. The model predicts

6 additional score points per study hour.

39. The intercept is 52. It represents the model's prediction when $h = 0$:

52 points with no study hours.

40. At $h = 5$, the predicted score is

$$6(5) + 52 = 82.$$

Residual = actual – predicted, so

$$83 - 82 = 1.$$

41. A correlation coefficient of $r = 0.91$ is close to 1. It indicates a strong positive linear association.

42. $r = -0.18$ indicates a weak negative linear association. Correlation summarizes association; it does not establish causation.

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Objective: I can evaluate predictions, correct statistical errors, and design representative samples.

43. For $x = 4$,

$$A(4) = 5(4) + 9 = 29, \quad B(4) = 6(4) + 4 = 28.$$

With actual value 30, the absolute residuals are 1 and 2. Therefore Model A is closer at $x = 4$.

44. Correcting 42 to 72 increases the total by 30. For 10 observations, the mean increases by

$$\frac{30}{10} = \boxed{3}.$$

45. For 11 ordered observations, the median is the 6th value. Changing only the largest value, while it remains largest, does not change the 6th value. Thus the median is unchanged.

46. The classes have different sizes, so use a weighted mean:

$$\frac{10(80) + 30(90)}{40} = \frac{3500}{40} = \boxed{87.5}.$$

The unweighted answer 85 is incorrect.

47. Because only people who choose to respond are included, the method has voluntary-response bias. People with strong opinions may be overrepresented, so the result may not describe the target population.

48. Use proportional allocation. From a sample of 100, select

$$0.60(100) = \boxed{60} \text{ younger-grade students}$$

and

$$0.40(100) = \boxed{40} \text{ older-grade students,}$$

randomly within each group.

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Objective: I can reconstruct a data value from summary conditions and transform statistical measures.

49. A mean of 20 for 5 values requires total 100:

$$12 + 18 + 18 + a + 32 = 100.$$

The known total is 80, so $a = 20$. The ordered data remain 12, 18, 18, 20, 32, satisfying the stated median and mode.

50. For the transformation $y = 2x - 5$, the mean transforms as

$$\mu_y = 2(14) - 5 = 23.$$

Adding or subtracting a constant does not change standard deviation, while multiplication by 2 doubles it:

$$\sigma_y = 2(3) = 6.$$

Key review principles: match the statistic to the question; distinguish samples from populations; use weighted totals when group sizes differ; apply the $1.5(IQR)$ rule consistently; interpret residual as actual minus predicted; and never infer causation from correlation alone.