

Text Exercise Set 14

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14-1 In order to make a conclusion about the mean rainfall produced by a particular cloud seeding technique, a rainfall measurement is recorded for each of the next nine times that the cloud seeding technique is used.

- (a) Identify the sample, the population of interest, the parameter of interest, and the statistic used to estimate the parameter.

- (b) Is it reasonable to treat the data as a simple random sample? Why or why not?

14-2 In order to draw a conclusion about the mean weight of raisins in boxes being produced on an assembly line, a manager selects a box from the assembly line each hour for the next 60 hours that the assembly line is in operation.

- (a) Identify the sample, the population of interest, the parameter of interest, and the statistic used to estimate the parameter.

- (b) Is it reasonable to treat the data as a simple random sample? Why or why not?

14-3 In order to draw a conclusion about the mean weight of a certain variety of orange, 11 oranges are selected from the top of one arbitrary crate in a shipment.

- (a) Identify the sample, the population of interest, the parameter of interest, and the statistic used to estimate the parameter.

- (b) Are the population of interest and the accessible population the same? Why or why not?

- (c) Is it reasonable to treat the data as a simple random sample? Why or why not?

14-4 In order to draw a conclusion about the mean nicotine content in Econo brand cigarettes, a one pack of Econo brand cigarettes is purchased from each of 20 different stores and one cigarette is arbitrarily chosen from each pack.

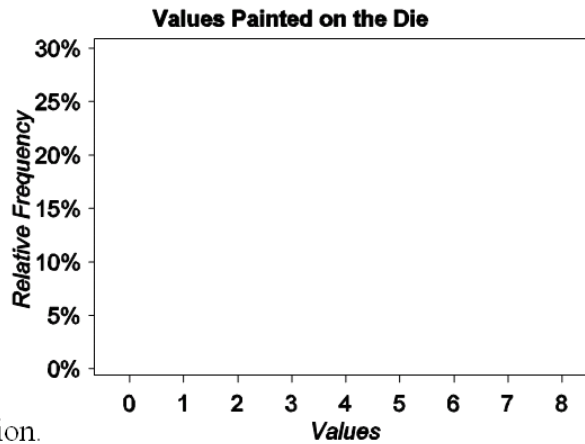
- (a) Identify the sample, the population of interest, the parameter of interest, and the statistic used to estimate the parameter.

- (b) Are the population of interest and the accessible population the same? Why or why not?

- (c) Is it reasonable to treat the data as a simple random sample? Why or why not?

14-5 Each of the integers 1, 5, 7, and 8 is painted on one of the sides of a fair, four-sided die (where each side is a triangle). Suppose these four integers represent the parent population from which a simple random sample is to be selected by rolling the die n times, where each of the four integers is equally likely to be facing up on each roll.

- (a) Complete the construction of the histogram for the equally likely possible values in the parent population with relative frequency on the vertical axis.
- (b) Find the mean (μ) in the parent population.
- (c) Describe the shape of the distribution in the parent population.

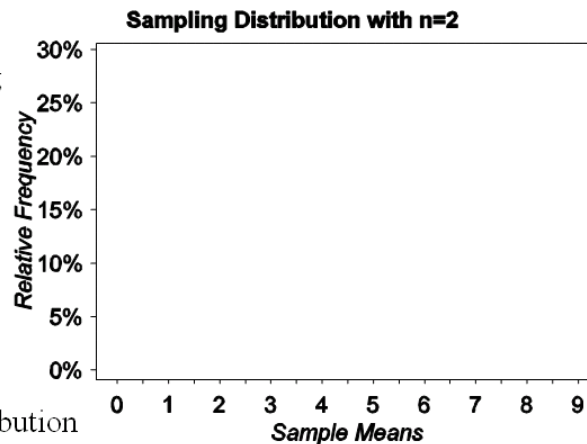


- (d) Complete the construction of the table which contains the list of all possible samples of size $n = 2$ rolls of the four-sided die, and the corresponding sample mean for each sample of size $n = 2$. (You should find that there are 16 possible samples of size $n = 2$.)

<u>Samples of Size $n = 2$</u>	<u>Sample Mean</u>	<u>Sample Mean</u>	<u>Relative Frequency</u>
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(e) Complete the construction of the frequency distribution displaying the possible values of \bar{x} together with the corresponding relative frequency of times each value occurs with simple random sampling with $n = 2$, that is, the sampling distribution of \bar{x} with $n = 2$.



(f) Complete the construction of the histogram for the sampling distribution of \bar{x} with $n = 2$, with relative frequency on the vertical axis.

(g) Find the mean ($\mu_{\bar{x}}$) of the sampling distribution of \bar{x} with $n = 2$, and verify that $\mu_{\bar{x}} = \mu$.

(h) How does the dispersion in the sampling distribution of \bar{x} with $n = 2$ compare with the dispersion in the distribution of the parent population?

(i) How does the shape of the sampling distribution of \bar{x} with $n = 2$ compare with the shape of the distribution of the parent population?

(j) Without actually doing it, just suppose we were to obtain the sample mean for each possible sample of $n = 20$, and construct a histogram for these sample means; then, this histogram would display the sampling distribution of \bar{x} with simple random samples if size $n = 20$. What would we find the value of the mean ($\mu_{\bar{x}}$) of this sampling distribution be equal to?

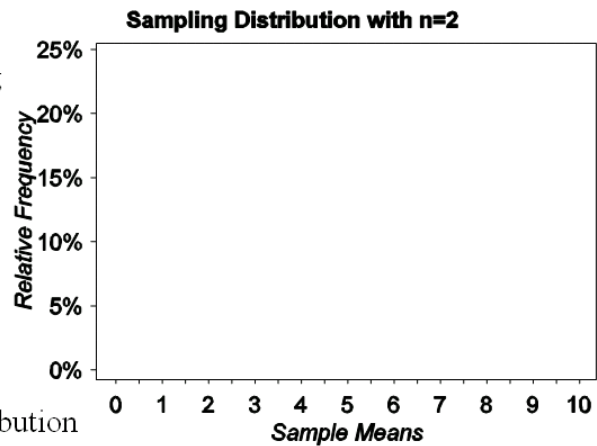
(k) How does the dispersion in the sampling distribution of \bar{x} with $n = 20$ compare with the dispersion in the sampling distribution of \bar{x} with $n = 2$?

(l) How does the shape of the sampling distribution of \bar{x} with $n = 20$ compare with the shape of the sampling distribution of \bar{x} with $n = 2$?

(m) In a simple random sample of n rolls of the four-sided die, will the probability of obtaining a sample mean (\bar{x}) within 1.5 of the population mean $\mu = 5.25$ (i.e., between 3.75 and 6.75) be different for $n = 5$ and $n = 25$? Why or why not?

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(e) Complete the construction of the frequency distribution displaying the possible values of \bar{x} together with the corresponding relative frequency of times each value occurs with simple random sampling with $n = 2$, that is, the sampling distribution of \bar{x} with $n = 2$.



(f) Complete the construction of the histogram for the sampling distribution of \bar{x} with $n = 2$, with relative frequency on the vertical axis.

(g) Find the mean ($\mu_{\bar{x}}$) of the sampling distribution of \bar{x} with $n = 2$, and verify that $\mu_{\bar{x}} = \mu$.

(h) How does the dispersion in the sampling distribution of \bar{x} with $n = 2$ compare with the dispersion in the distribution of the parent population?

(i) How does the shape of the sampling distribution of \bar{x} with $n = 2$ compare with the shape of the distribution of the parent population?

(j) Without actually doing it, just suppose we were to obtain the sample mean for each possible sample of $n = 20$, and construct a histogram for these sample means; then, this histogram would display the sampling distribution of \bar{x} with simple random samples if size $n = 20$. What would we find the value of the mean ($\mu_{\bar{x}}$) of this sampling distribution be equal to?

(k) How does the dispersion in the sampling distribution of \bar{x} with $n = 20$ compare with the dispersion in the sampling distribution of \bar{x} with $n = 2$?

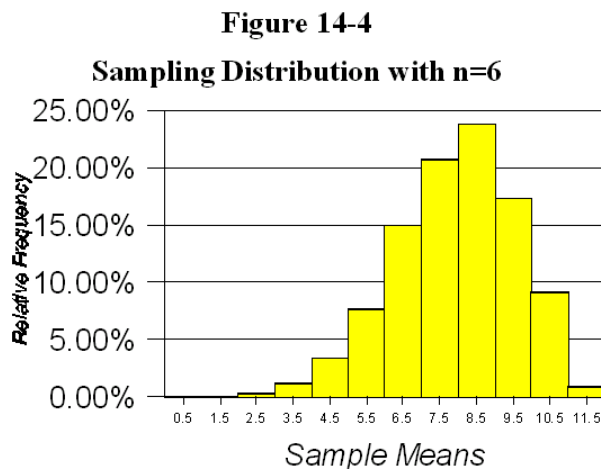
(l) How does the shape of the sampling distribution of \bar{x} with $n = 20$ compare with the shape of the sampling distribution of \bar{x} with $n = 2$?

(m) In a simple random sample of n spins of the pointer, will the probability of obtaining a sample mean (\bar{x}) within 1.5 of the population mean $\mu = 4$ (i.e., between 2.5 and 5.5) be different for $n = 5$ and $n = 25$? Why or why not?

14-7 Table 14-2b (reproduced on the right) displays the sampling distribution of \bar{x} with $n = 2$ rolls of a cube where the integers 0, 6, 9, 10, 11, and 12 are painted on the six sides. From the table, find the probability that \bar{x} is between 7 and 9 inclusive with $n = 2$ rolls of the cube; then, decide whether this probability will be smaller, the same, or larger with $n = 5$ rolls of the cube, and explain your answer.

Sample Mean	Relative Frequency
0	$1/36 = 2.8\%$
3	$2/36 = 5.6\%$
4.5	$2/36 = 5.6\%$
5	$2/36 = 5.6\%$
5.5	$2/36 = 5.6\%$
6	$3/36 = 8.3\%$
7.5	$2/36 = 5.6\%$
8	$2/36 = 5.6\%$
8.5	$2/36 = 5.6\%$
9	$3/36 = 8.3\%$
9.5	$2/36 = 5.6\%$
10	$3/36 = 8.3\%$
10.5	$4/36 = 11.1\%$
11	$3/36 = 8.3\%$
11.5	$2/36 = 5.6\%$
12	$1/36 = 2.8\%$

14-8 Figure 14-4 (reproduced on the right) displays a histogram of the sampling distribution of \bar{x} with $n = 6$ rolls of a cube where the integers 0, 6, 9, 10, 11, and 12 are painted on the six sides. From this histogram, estimate the probability that \bar{x} is between 7 and 9 inclusive in $n = 6$ rolls of the cube; then, decide whether this probability will be smaller, the same, or larger with $n = 10$ rolls of the cube, and explain your answer.



- 14-9** The mean weight of cereal per box on an assembly line is 15.1 ounces. Circle true or false for each of the following statements:
- (a) As the sample size increases, the mean of the population of all sample means from simple random sampling becomes larger. True False
 - (b) As the sample size increases, the population of all sample means from simple random sampling shows more variation. True False

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- (c) With smaller sample sizes, the population of all sample means from simple random sampling will tend to be more bell-shaped and symmetric, even if the distribution of weight of cereal per box is skewed. True False
- (d) The probability of obtaining a sample mean weight \bar{x} between 15.0 and 15.2 ounces is the same when $n = 5$ and when $n = 25$. True False

14-10 The mean weight for a particular variety of orange is 7.81 ounces. Circle true or false for each of the following statements:

- (a) No matter what the sample size is, the mean of the population of all sample means from simple random sampling is equal to 7.81 ounces. True False
- (b) As the sample size increases, the population of all sample means from simple random sampling shows less variation. True False
- (c) With larger sample sizes, the population of all sample means from simple random sampling will tend to be more bell-shaped and symmetric, even if the distribution of orange weights is skewed. True False
- (d) The probability of obtaining a sample mean weight \bar{x} between 7.71 and 7.91 ounces is larger when $n = 5$ and when $n = 25$. True False