

PW #8: Inference for Proportions + Type I and Type II Errors

① Method of Inference: 95% confidence interval for proportions
Parameter of Interest: p = the true proportion of orders shipped on time

Conditions: SRS - stated in problem

Independence - all orders ≥ 10 (100)
shipped
condition met

Normal - $86 \geq 10$ $14 \geq 10$ Condition met

Calculations: $\hat{p} = .86$ $\hat{q} = .14$ $z_{.95}^* = 1.96$ $n = 100$ $CL = .95$

$$.86 \pm 1.96 \left(\sqrt{\frac{(.86)(.14)}{100}} \right) \quad (.792, .928)$$
$$.86 \pm 1.96 (.0347) = .86 \pm .068$$

Conclusion: We are 95% confident the true proportion of orders shipped on time for this company is in the interval 79.2% to 92.8%.

② Method of inference: 95% confidence interval for 2-sample proportions

Parameter of interest: p_1 = the true proportion of in-line skaters who don't wear wrist guards and suffer injury

p_2 = the true proportion of in-line skaters who do wear wrist guards and suffer injury

Conditions:

No Wrist Guards

Wrist Guards

SRS

stated in problem

stated in problem

Independence

45 \geq 10

6 \geq 10 * Proceed with caution

63 \geq 10

47 \geq 10

Condition Met

Calculation: $\hat{p}_1 = \frac{45}{108} = .4167$

$\hat{p}_2 = \frac{6}{53} = .1132$

$z^*_{.95} = 1.96$

$\hat{q}_1 = \frac{63}{108} = .5833$

$\hat{q}_2 = \frac{47}{53} = .8868$

CL = .95

$n_1 = 53$

$n_2 = 108$

$$(.4167 - .1132) \pm 1.96 \left(\sqrt{\frac{(.4167)(.5833)}{53} + \frac{(.1132)(.8868)}{108}} \right)$$

.3035 \pm 1.96(.0648)

.3035 \pm .1270 (.1773, .4296)

We are 95% confident the true difference in proportion of injury suffered while in-line skating between skaters who don't wear wrist guards and skaters who do wear wrist guards is in the interval 17.7% to 43.0%. Since there is evidence that it is plausible injuries could occur more than 40% of the time when not wearing wrist guards, I would recommend wearing wrist guards when in-line skating.

③ Method of Inference = 90% confidence interval for 2 sample proportion

Parameters of Interest: p_1 = the true proportion of dogs exposed to herbicide having lymphoma

p_2 = the true proportion of dogs not exposed to herbicide having lymphoma

Conditions: Exposed Not Exposed

SRS: not stated, no reason to assume otherwise

not stated, no reason to assume otherwise

Independence: all dogs ≥ 10 (827)
Condition met

all dogs ≥ 10 (130)
Condition met

Normal: $473 \geq 10$
 $354 \geq 10$
Condition met

$19 \geq 10$
 $111 \geq 10$
Condition met

Calculations: $\hat{p}_1 = \frac{473}{827} = .572$
 $\hat{q}_1 = \frac{354}{827} = .428$
 $n_1 = 827$

$\hat{p}_2 = \frac{19}{130} = .146$
 $\hat{q}_2 = \frac{111}{130} = .854$
 $n_2 = 130$
 $z_{.90}^* = 1.645$
CL = .90

$$(.572 - .428) \pm 1.645 \left(\sqrt{\frac{(.572)(.428)}{827} + \frac{(.146)(.854)}{130}} \right)$$

$$(.572 - .428) \pm 1.645 (.0354)$$

$$(.368, .484)$$

We are 90% confident the true difference in proportions of dogs exposed to herbicide having lymphoma and dogs not exposed to herbicide having lymphoma as in the interval 36.8% to 48.4%.

④ Method of Inference: 2 sample z-test for proportions

Parameters of Interest: p_1 = proportion of voters who favor the candidate in first poll

p_2 = proportion of voters who favor the candidate in second poll

Conditions:

First Poll

Second Poll

SRS

not stated, no reason to assume otherwise

not stated, no reason to assume otherwise

Independence

all voters in first poll ≥ 10 (800)
Condition met

all voters in second poll ≥ 10 (1000)
Condition met

Normal

$460 \geq 10$
 $340 \geq 10$
Condition met

$520 \geq 10$
 $480 \geq 10$
Condition met

Hypothesis:

H_0 : no difference in proportion of voters in first and second poll who favor the candidate

H_a : the proportion of voters in the first poll who favor the candidate is higher than the proportion of voters in the second poll who favor the candidate

$$H_0: p_1 - p_2 = 0$$

$$H_a: p_1 - p_2 > 0$$

Calculations:

$$\hat{p}_1 = \frac{460}{800} = .575$$

$$\hat{q}_1 = \frac{340}{800} = .425$$

$$n_1 = 800$$

$$\hat{p}_2 = \frac{520}{1000} = .52$$

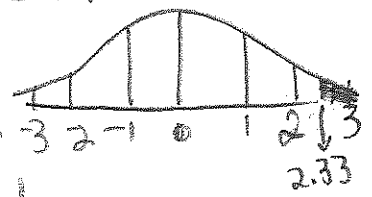
$$\hat{q}_2 = \frac{480}{1000} = .48$$

$$n_2 = 1000$$

$$\alpha = .10$$

④ cont'd

$$P\left(z > \frac{(.575 - .52) - 0}{\sqrt{\frac{(.575)(.425)}{800} + \frac{(.52)(.48)}{1000}}}\right) = P(z > 2.33) = 0.0099$$



Since our p-value of 0.0099 is smaller than the significance level of $\alpha = .10$, we have evidence to reject the null. We can conclude the candidate's popularity has decreased from the first poll to the second poll for sample sizes $n_1 = 800$ and $n_2 = 1000$.

⑤ Method of Inference: 2 sample z-test for proportions

Parameters of Interest: p_1 = the true proportion of cars with defects using first procedure

p_2 = the true proportion of cars with defects using second procedure

$p_1 - p_2$ = difference in proportion of cars with defects

Conditions:

SRS

1st procedure

not stated, no reason to assume otherwise

2nd procedure

not stated, no reason to assume otherwise

Independence

all cars produced by 1st procedure ≥ 350 (10)
Condition met

all cars produced by 2nd procedure ≥ 500 (10)
Condition met

Normal

$28 \geq 10$

$322 \geq 10$

condition met

$32 \geq 10$

$468 \geq 10$

Condition met

Hypothesis:

H_0 : there is no difference in proportion of defects from 1st procedure and 2nd procedure
 H_a : there is a difference in proportion of defects from 1st procedure and 2nd procedure

$H_0: p_1 - p_2 = 0$

$H_a: p_1 - p_2 \neq 0$

*Note "two-tailed"

⑤ contd

Calculations: $\hat{p}_1 = \frac{28}{350} = .08$

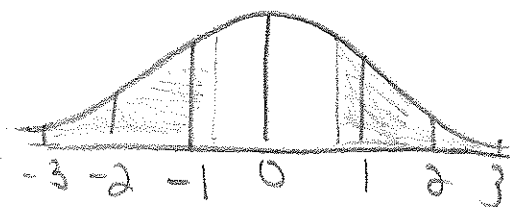
$$\hat{p}_2 = \frac{32}{500} = .064 \quad \alpha = .10$$

$$\hat{q}_1 = \frac{322}{350} = .92$$

$$\hat{q}_2 = \frac{418}{500} = .936$$

$$n = 350$$

$$2P\left(z > \frac{(.08 - .064) - 0}{\sqrt{\frac{(.08)(.92)}{350} + \frac{(.064)(.936)}{500}}}\right) = 2P(z > 0.896) = .370$$



Since our p-value of .37 is greater than our significance level of $\alpha = .10$, we have evidence to fail to reject the null. We can conclude that there is no difference in the proportion of defects from 1st procedure to 2nd procedure.

⑥ Method of Inference: 1 sample z-test for proportions

Parameter of Interest: p = the true proportion of people who preferred fresh brewed coffee

Conditions: SRS - not stated, no reason to assume otherwise

Independence - all coffee drinkers ≥ 10 (50) Condition met

Normal - $19 \geq 10$ $31 \geq 10$ Condition met

Hypothesis: H_0 : the true proportion of coffee drinkers who prefer fresh brewed coffee is .5

H_a : the true proportion of coffee drinkers who prefer fresh brewed coffee is more than .5

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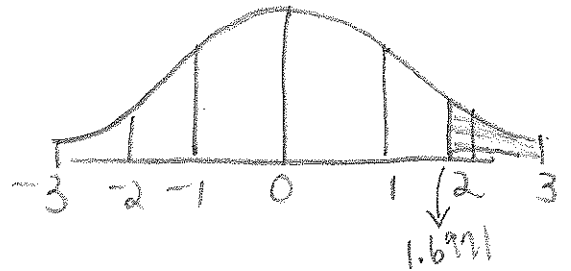
$$H_0: p = .5$$

$$H_a: p > .5$$

Calculations: $\hat{p} = \frac{31}{50} = .62$ $\hat{q} = \frac{19}{50} = .38$ $n=50$ $\alpha = .05$

$$P\left(z > \frac{.62 - .5}{\sqrt{\frac{(.5)(.5)}{50}}}\right) = P(z > 1.697) = .0448$$

Since our p-value of .0448 is less than the significance level $\alpha = .05$, we have evidence to reject the null. We can conclude that a majority of people do prefer the taste of fresh brewed coffee.



⑦ H_0 : pregnant woman does not have gestational diabetes
 H_a : pregnant woman does have gestational diabetes

Type I error: screening determines pregnant woman does have gestational diabetes, when in fact she does not.

Consequences:

- more tests will be run on the woman (\$\$)
- unnecessary stress on woman which will carry over to stress on baby
- prescribed medication and/or bedrest when not needed

Type II error: screening determines woman does not have gestational diabetes, when in fact she does

Consequence: medication not prescribed which endangers health (and possibly life) of both mother and baby

I would consider Type II more severe in this case. Death is a more serious consequence than money or stress.