

I. Introduction to SRS

A. **Simple Random Sampling** - a sample of size n is drawn from a population of size N in such a way that each of the $T = \binom{N}{n}$ possible samples of n elements has the same $\frac{1}{\binom{N}{n}}$ probability of selection (sampling without replacement). SRS is element sampling, since elementary units serve as sampling units. Each element has an $\frac{n}{N}$ chance of being selected.

B. How to draw a SRS.

1. Assign each element in the population a number from 1 to N .
2. Pick n of the N numbers by some random process, using a random number table (Table A1, page 538) or a computer random number generator.
3. Take the population elements corresponding to the numbers randomly chosen.

C. **Finite Population Correction Factors**

When sampling from a finite population, $\frac{N-n}{N-1}$ is the **finite population correction factor (fpc)**, used to adjust standard errors. The fpc reduces the standard error of an estimate as n approaches N .

II. Estimation of Population Mean, Total, and Proportion

Let x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n be a SRS from a population of size N .

A. Estimation of the Population Mean \bar{X} (or μ_X)

$$1. \hat{\mu}_X = \bar{x} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{n} = \frac{x}{n} \tag{3.3}$$

$$2. E(\bar{x}) = \bar{X} \tag{3.4}$$

$$3. \text{VAR}(\bar{x}) = \left[\frac{\sigma_X^2}{n} \right] \left[\frac{N-n}{N-1} \right] \tag{3.5}$$

$$4. \text{SE}(\bar{x}) = \frac{\sigma_X}{\sqrt{n}} \sqrt{\frac{N-n}{N-1}} \tag{3.6}$$

$$5. V(\bar{x}) = \frac{\sigma_X}{\bar{X}\sqrt{n}} \sqrt{\frac{N-n}{N-1}} = \frac{V_X}{\sqrt{n}} \sqrt{\frac{N-n}{N-1}} \tag{3.7}$$

$$6. \widehat{\text{VAR}}(\bar{x}) = \frac{\hat{\sigma}_X^2}{n} \left[\frac{N-n}{N-1} \right] = \left[\frac{(N-1)}{N} s_x^2 \right] \left[\frac{1}{n} \right] \left[\frac{N-n}{N-1} \right]$$

$$= \frac{s_x^2}{n} \left[\frac{N-n}{N} \right] \tag{3.10}$$

7. 100(1- α) % Confidence Interval for \bar{X}

$$\bar{x} \pm Z_{1-\frac{\alpha}{2}} \frac{s_x}{\sqrt{n}} \sqrt{\frac{N-n}{N}} \tag{3.10}$$

Example: Confidence Interval for \bar{X} (Table 3.4, Page 62).

$$N = 25, n = 9, \sum_{i=1}^9 x_i = 44, \sum_{i=1}^9 x_i^2 = 312, \bar{x} = \frac{44}{9} = 4.89$$

$$s_x^2 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^9 x_i^2 - \frac{\left[\sum_{i=1}^9 x_i \right]^2}{9}}{8} = \frac{312 - \frac{(44)^2}{9}}{8} = \frac{312 - 215.11}{8} = 12.111$$

95% Confidence Interval for $\bar{X} \Rightarrow 1 - \alpha = .05, \frac{\alpha}{2} = .025, Z_{.975} = 1.96$

$$\bar{x} \pm Z_{1-\frac{\alpha}{2}} \frac{s_x}{\sqrt{n}} \sqrt{\frac{N-n}{N}} = 4.89 \pm 1.96 \left[\frac{3.48}{3} \right] \sqrt{\frac{16}{25}} = 4.89 \pm 1.96(0.928) = 4.89 \pm 1.82$$

$$= (3.07, 6.71)$$

We are 95% sure that the average number of household visits per physician is enclosed by the interval (3.07, 6.71).

B. Estimation of the Population Total $X = N\bar{X}$

$$1. \hat{X} = N\hat{\mu}_X = N\bar{x} = \frac{N \sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{n} = \left[\frac{N}{n} \right] x = x' \quad (3.2)$$

$$2. E(x') = X \quad (3.2)$$

$$3. VAR(x') = VAR(N\bar{x}) = N^2 VAR(\bar{x}) = \left[\frac{N^2 \sigma_x^2}{n} \right] \left[\frac{N-n}{N-1} \right] \quad (3.2)$$

$$4. SE(x') = \frac{N\sigma_x}{\sqrt{n}} \sqrt{\frac{N-n}{N-1}} \quad (3.2)$$

$$5. V(x') = \frac{N}{\sqrt{n}} \frac{\sigma_x}{X} \sqrt{\frac{N-n}{N-1}} = \frac{\sigma_x}{X\sqrt{n}} \sqrt{\frac{N-n}{N-1}} = \frac{V_x}{\sqrt{n}} \sqrt{\frac{N-n}{N-1}} \quad (3.6)$$

$$6. \hat{VAR}(x') = \frac{N^2}{n} \hat{\sigma}_x^2 \left[\frac{N-n}{N-1} \right] = \frac{N^2}{n} \left[\frac{(N-1)}{N} \right] s_x^2 \left[\frac{N-n}{N-1} \right] \\ = N^2 \frac{s_x^2}{n} \left[\frac{N-n}{N} \right] \quad (3.9)$$

7. 100(1- α) % Confidence Interval for X

$$x' \pm Z_{1-\frac{\alpha}{2}} N \frac{s_x}{\sqrt{n}} \sqrt{\frac{N-n}{N}} \quad (3.9)$$

Example: Confidence Interval for X (Table 3.4, Page 62).

$$N = 25, n = 9, x = 44, s_x = \sqrt{12.111} = 3.48, x' = \left[\frac{25}{9} \right] (44) = 122.22$$

95% Confidence Interval for X:

$$x' \pm Z_{1-\frac{\alpha}{2}} N \frac{s_x}{\sqrt{n}} \sqrt{\frac{N-n}{N}} = 122.22 \pm 1.96(25) \left[\frac{3.48}{3} \right] \sqrt{\frac{16}{25}} = 122.22 \pm 45.47 = (76.75, 167.69)$$

We are 95% sure that the total number of household visits made by physicians in the population is enclosed by the interval (76.75, 167.69).