

# CHAPTER 1: EXPLORING DATA

## Key Vocabulary:

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| ▪ individuals              | ▪ shape                 | ▪ median              |
| ▪ variable                 | ▪ skewed left           | ▪ resistant           |
| ▪ categorical variable     | ▪ skewed right          | ▪ quartiles           |
| ▪ quantitative variable    | ▪ symmetric             | ▪ $Q_1, Q_3$          |
| ▪ two way table            | ▪ dot plot              | ▪ IQR                 |
| ▪ marginal distributions   | ▪ histogram             | ▪ five-number summary |
| ▪ conditional distribution | ▪ stemplot              | ▪ minimum             |
| ▪ association              | ▪ split stems           | ▪ maximum             |
| ▪ distribution             | ▪ back-to-back stemplot | ▪ boxplot             |
| ▪ range                    | ▪ time plot             | ▪ modified boxplot    |
| ▪ spread                   | ▪ mean                  | ▪ standard deviation  |
| ▪ frequency                | ▪ S                     | ▪ variance            |
| ▪ outlier                  | ▪ $\bar{x}$             |                       |
| ▪ center                   | ▪ nonresistant          |                       |

## **1.1 Displaying Distributions with Graphs**

1. What is the difference between a frequency table and a relative frequency table?
2. What type of data are pie charts and bar graphs used for??
3. Pie Charts can only be used when?
4. How is a two-way table setup?
5. Which is more informative when comparing groups counts or percents? Why?
6. Explain the four step process to organizing a statistical problem.
7. What of you need to be cautious of when variables seem to have a strong association?

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## 1.2 Describing Distributions with Numbers

8. How do you make a dot plot?

9. When examining a distribution, you can describe the overall pattern by its

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10. If a distribution is symmetric, what does its dot plot look like?

11. If a distribution is skewed right, what does its dot plot look like?

12. If a distribution is skewed left, what does its dot plot look like?

13. What is the difference between unimodal, bimodal, and multimodal data?

14. How do you make a stemplot?

15. When is it advantageous to split stems on a stemplot?

16. When is a back-to-back stemplot useful?

17. How is the stemplot of a distribution related to its histogram?

18. What is a histogram?

19. When is it better to use a histogram rather than a stemplot or dotplot?

20. What is meant by frequency in a histogram?

21. What is the difference between a bar-graph and a histogram?

22. Define an outlier.

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## **1.3 Describing Quantitative Data with Numbers**

1. In statistics, what are the most common measures of center?
2. Explain how to calculate the mean,  $\bar{x}$ .
3. Explain how to calculate the median,  $M$ .
4. Explain why the median is resistant to extreme observations, but the mean is nonresistant.
5. In a symmetric distribution where are the mean and median in relation to each other? What about in a distribution that is skewed?
6. What is the difference between “average” value and “typical” value?
7. Explain how to calculate  $Q_1$  and  $Q_3$  and IQR.
8. When does an observation become an outlier?
9. What is the five-number summary?
10. How much of the data falls between each quartile?
11. How much of the data falls between  $Q_1$  and  $Q_3$ ?
12. Describe a boxplot.
13. What does standard deviation measure?
14. What is the relationship between variance and standard deviation?

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15. When does standard deviation equal zero?

16. Is standard deviation resistant or nonresistant to extreme observations? Explain.

17. Use a five number summary when...

Use  $\bar{x}$  and  $s$  when...