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Statistics 13

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Homework 1

EXERCISE 1

Researchers measure the pH (a scale on which a value of 7 is neutral and values below 7 are acidic) of water collected from rain and snow over a 6-month period at a certain area in California:

3.13, 3.84, 3.26, 3.58, 4.34, 4.58, 4.44, 4.85, 4.78, 4.13, 4.94, 4.99, 4.64, 4.31, 4.39
4.45, 4.52, 4.26, 4.40, 5.78, 4.73, 4.56, 5.08, 5.51, 5.80, 5.70, 5.96, 5.50, 5.22, 5.31

Construct a histogram of the above values and write a comment.

EXERCISE 2 From *Intro Stats*, De Veaux, Velleman, First Edition.

In 1995 the Council of Europe published a report entitled *The European School Survey Project on Alcohol and Other Drugs*. Among other issues, the survey investigated the percentages of 9th graders who had used marijuana. The results for 20 European countries are shown below:

Country	Percentage	Country	Percentage
Austria	10	Italy	19
Belgium	19	Luxembourg	6
Denmark	17	Netherlands	31
England	40	N. Ireland	23
Finland	5	Norway	6
France	12	Portugal	7
Germany	21	Scotland	53
Greece	2	Spain	15
Iceland	10	Sweden	6
Ireland	37	Switzerland	27

Construct a histogram of the above values and write a comment.

EXERCISE 3 From *Statistics for the Life Sciences*, Myra L. Samuels, Jeffrey A. Witmer, Third Edition.

For each of 31 healthy dogs, a veterinarian measured the glucose concentration in the anterior chamber of the right eye, and also in the blood serum. The following data are the anterior chamber glucose measurements, expressed as a percentage of the blood glucose:

81 85 93 93 99 76 75 84 78 84 81 82 89 81 96 82
74 70 84 86 80 70 131 75 88 102 115 89 82 79 106

Construct the frequency distribution and display it as a table and as a histogram.

EXERCISE 4

Generate 3 different samples (30 observations in each sample). Use any numbers you want so that the resulting histogram of

- a. the first sample is approximately symmetrical.
- b. the second sample is skewed to the right.
- c. the third sample is skewed to the left.

Can you think of one real data example for each one of the above cases?