

You should know...

- ▶ stratum, strata, stratified sampling
- ▶ why/when we prefer stratified sampling to SRS
- ▶ inference: use SRS theory in each stratum h
- ▶ $\hat{t}_{str} = \sum_{h=1}^H \hat{t}_h$, $\hat{V}(\hat{t}_{str}) = \sum_{h=1}^H (1 - n_h/N_h) N_h^2 s_h^2 / n_h$ (4.4)
- ▶ \bar{y}_{str} , $\hat{V}(\bar{y}_{str})$
- ▶ sampling weights:

$$\bar{y}_{str} = \sum_{h=1}^H \sum_{j \in S_h} w_{hj} y_{hj} / \sum_{h=1}^H \sum_{j \in S_h} w_{hj}$$
- ▶ proportional allocation: $w_{hj} = N/n$; self-weighting sample
- ▶ optimal allocation: $n_h \propto (N_h S_h) / \sqrt{c_h}$
- ▶ how to define strata; when is stratified sampling better (= smaller variance)
- ▶ **Final Exam: December 15, 9 - 11 a.m., EX 200 (255 McCaul Street)**
- ▶ **\$\$: Samuel Beatty Scholarship November 13**

... you should know...

- ▶ **HW:** Exercises 3.5, 3.13a, 3.15, 3.24; Examples 4.2, 4.3; Exercises 4.2, 4.12, 4.10; **Ex. 4.15 – new**
- ▶ 3.5, 3.13a done on Friday; 3.15 posted online; 3.24 – you do it
- ▶ Example 4.2 done in class; Example 4.3 see text
- ▶ Exercise 4.2: posted online and see R code from Oct 23
- ▶ Exercise 4.12: optimal allocation for the agriculture data set

On p.97, we see we have estimates of S_h^2 for each of the 4 strata (for ACRES92), and we know the population sizes N_h :

N_h	Stratum	Sample Size	s_h^2	optimal sample size
220	Northeast	21	7,647,472,708	69
1054	North Central	103	29,618,183,543	7
1382	South	135	53,587,487,856	122
422	West	41	396,185,950,266	101

- ▶ optimal: $n_h \propto N_h S_h^2 / \sqrt{c_h}$; if c_h 's all equal then $n_h \propto N_h S_h^2$; we use s_h^2 as estimates
- ▶ Exer. 4.10: It is **WRONG** on Rcode from October 23 – Friday

Cluster sampling Ch.5

stratified	cluster
variance within small strata $1, \dots, H$ population N_1, \dots, N_h observation y_{hj}	variance between small psu's $1, \dots, N$ – sampling unit ssu's M_1, \dots, M_n – observation unit observation y_{ij}

See Figure 5.1

... cluster sampling: Examples



- ▶ **Example, p.131:** 10,000 households; divide into blocks of 20 households (= ...)
- ▶ psu: sample 20 of the 500 blocks
- ▶ ssu: sample all 20 households on the block (total sample size = ...)
- ▶ cheaper, easier to implement
- ▶ values on a single block **more similar** than 20 values taken at random from all 10,000 households
- ▶ so less information than in an SRS of size 400
- ▶ **Example 5.2:** 400 students in a dorm, in suites of size 4
- ▶ sample 5 suites at random
- ▶ interview all 4 students
- ▶ **Example 5.6:** clutches (= nests) with ≥ 2 eggs each ...
- ▶ 2 eggs in each nest chosen at random ...
- ▶ **Example:** nearly all household surveys: <http://www.statcan.gc.ca/concepts/index-eng.htm>

... cluster sampling



- ▶ **one stage** cluster sampling: sample psu's by SRS, sample all ssu's
- ▶ **two stage** cluster sampling: sample psu's by SRS, sample ssu's using some probability method
- ▶ why?
- ▶ may not have a sampling frame of observation units (individuals in a city, customers of a store)
- ▶ population may be widely distributed
- ▶ population may occur in natural clusters
- ▶ example: nursing home residents
- ▶ usually, cost
- ▶ stratified sampling is **more efficient** (...)
- ▶ cluster sampling is **less efficient** (...)

Mortality in Iraq

- ▶ “New study estimating number of dead in Iraq hotly contested” (Globe & Mail)
- ▶ “The human cost of the war in Iraq” (Economist)
- ▶ “A statistical study claims that many more Iraqis have died than was thought”
- ▶ “Mortality after the 2003 invasion of Iraq: a cross-sectional study” (The Lancet, 2006)
- ▶ “Iraqi death estimates called too high: methods faulted” (Science)

... mortality in Iraq

- ▶ Iraq body count: 48,693
- ▶ Burnham et al. : 601,027 (427,000 – 739,700)
- ▶ NEJM, Jan 2008 151,000 (104,000 – 223,000)
- ▶ based on IFHS study
http://www.emro.who.int/iraq/ifhs_faq.htm
- ▶ Journal of Peace Research, 2008: “Bias in epidemiological studies of conflict mortality”
- ▶ select a random main street
- ▶ choose a random cross street to the main street
- ▶ select a random household on the cross street to start the process
- ▶ interview that house and proceed to adjacent house until 40 houses have been surveyed

Formulas

