

Chapter 2

Summarizing Data¹

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Considering categorical data

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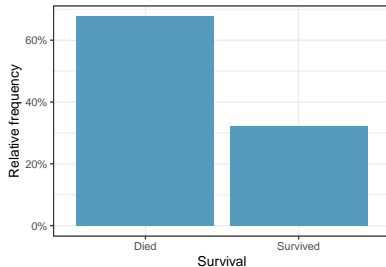
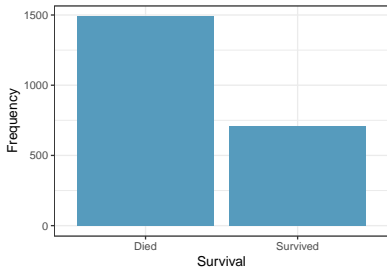
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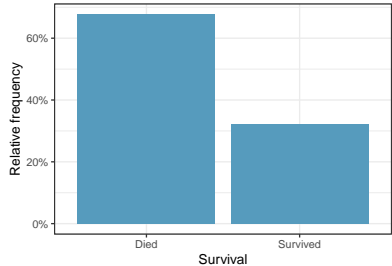
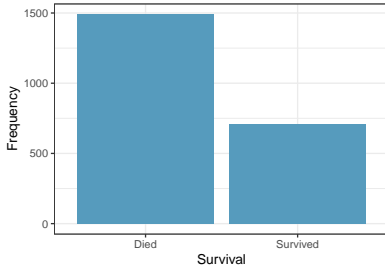
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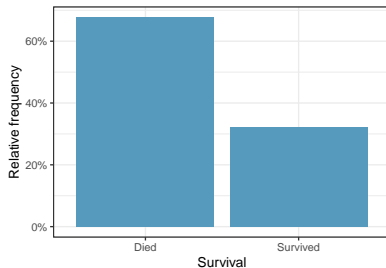
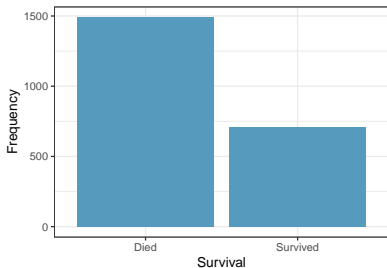
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Bar plots are used for displaying distributions of categorical variables, histograms are used for numerical variables. The x-axis in a histogram is a number line, hence the order of the bars cannot be changed. In a bar plot, the categories can be listed in any order (though some ordering make more sense than others, especially for ordinal variables.)

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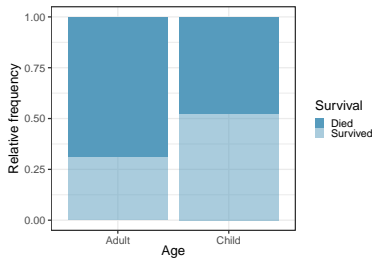
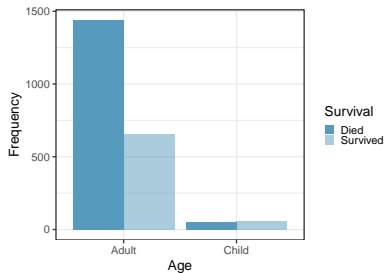
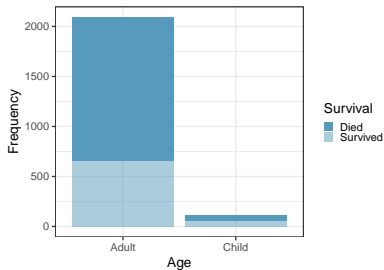
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- ▶ **Stacked bar plot:** Graphical display of contingency table information, for counts.
- ▶ **Side-by-side bar plot:** Displays the same information by placing bars next to, instead of on top of, each other.
- ▶ **Standardized stacked bar plot:** Graphical display of contingency table information, for proportions.

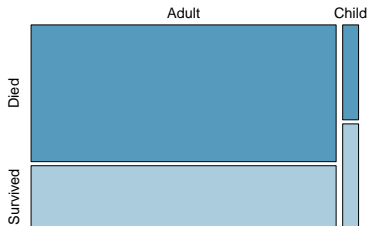
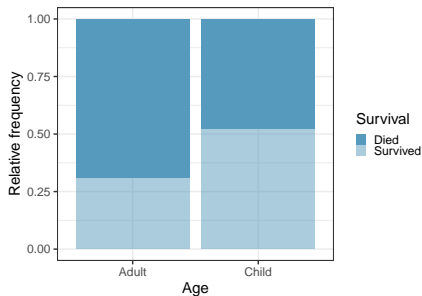
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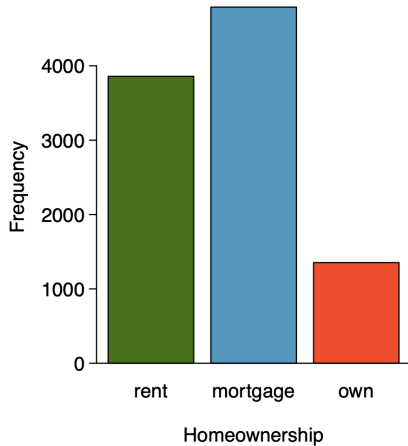
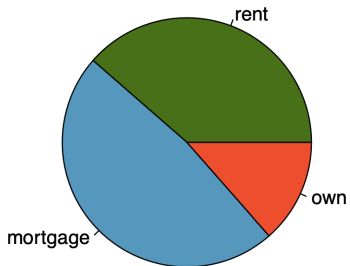


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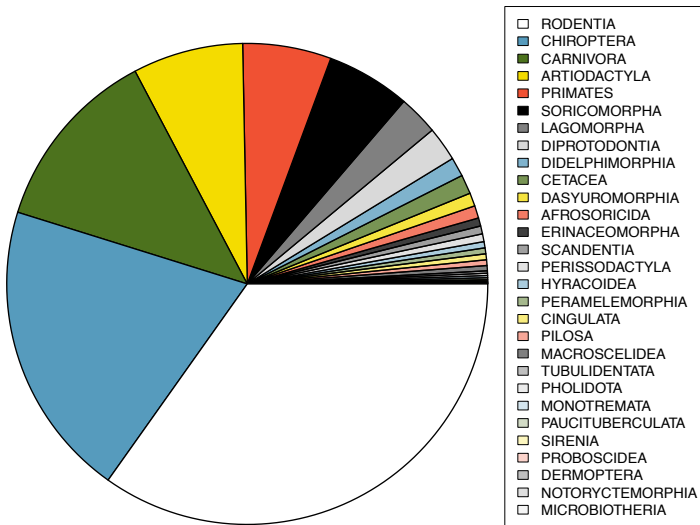


Pie charts



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Can you tell which order encompasses the lowest percentage of mammal species?



Side-by-side box plots

Does there appear to be a relationship between class year and number of clubs students are in?

