

# SURVEY ON FAST FOOD CONSUMPTION AND ITS EFFECT ON HEALTH AMONG COLLEGE STUDENTS



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# *INTRODUCTION*



## ➤ **Energy Balance**

*The inter-relationship between physical activity and food intake is important since both are major behavioral contributors to energy balance. In addition to exercise being associated with health benefits such as feeling of well-being, reduced risk of coronary disease and reduction of hypertension it has an important role to play in energy balance. Although energy expenditure and energy intake are two independent measures which separately contribute to energy balance, it has been frequently proposed that exercise can influence energy balance indirectly by modulating energy intake.*

## ➤ **Body Weight**

*Body weight is an important measurement parameter towards management of overall health. Activities of daily living including food intake and physical activities have a direct and measurable impact on body weight. Therefore, understanding the effect of these activities can provide insight towards development of a wearable system capable of detecting and quantifying daily intake and physical activities.*

## ➤ **Fast Food**

*Fast food refers to food that can be prepared and served quickly. It can come from many places: sit-down restaurants, counter service, take-out, drive-thru, and delivery. Fast food is popular because the food is inexpensive, convenient, and tastes good. Fast food may include refined grains instead of whole grains, contain saturated fat, cholesterol, and added sugar, and it can be high in sodium (aka salt) which is used as a preservative and makes food more flavorful and satisfying.*

## ➤ **Skipping Meals**

*Skipping meals causes the body to lower its metabolism which causes us to burn less energy (fewer calories) that can lead us to gain weight when we eat our usual amount of food. Skipping meals leaves us with little energy*



*because the body has run out of the fuel we get from food Leaves us sluggish and tired which causes headaches or makes us feel weak and shaky.*

*When we don't eat we and after some time when we get over-hungry we make unhealthy choices because we become so hungry that we can only think about getting food. The food we crave is usually quick and easy like soft drinks, fast food, and chips.*

### ➤ **BMI (Body Mass Index)**

*Body mass index (BMI) is a value derived from the mass (weight) and height of a person. The BMI is defined as the body mass divided by the square of the body height, and is expressed in units of  $\text{kg/m}^2$ , resulting from mass in kilograms and height in metres.*

*The BMI is a convenient rule of thumb used to broadly categorize a person as underweight, normal weight, overweight, or obese based on tissue mass (muscle, fat, and bone) and height. Major adult BMI classifications are underweight (under  $18.5 \text{ kg/m}^2$ ), normal weight ( $18.5$  to  $24.9$ ), overweight ( $25$  to  $29.9$ ), and obese ( $30$  or more). [1] When used to predict an individual's health, rather than as a statistical measurement for groups, the BMI has limitations that can make it less useful than some of the alternatives, especially when applied to individuals with abdominal obesity, short stature, or unusually high muscle mass.*

### ➤ **Calories Count**

*The amount of energy in an item of food or drink is measured in calories. When we eat and drink more calories than we use up, our bodies store the excess as body fat. If this continues, over time we may put on weight.*

*When we eat and drink, we put energy into our bodies. Our bodies use up that energy through everyday movement, which includes everything from breathing to running.*

*To maintain a stable weight, the energy we put into our bodies must be the same as the energy we use through normal bodily functions and physical activity.*



# *Some Example of fast food*



*Figure 1 fast food*

- *Pizza*
- *Pasta*
- *Sandwich*
- *Hot dog*
- *Burger*
- *Noodles*
- *Momos .... So on*

## *Health problems caused by fast food*

*Fast food is often nutritionally poor and high in calories. Evidence demonstrates that overeating commercial fast food products can negatively impact health in both the short- and long-term.*

### *Short-term effects of fast foods*

*As well as causing you to gain weight, the other short-term effects of eating fast food include:*

- *increased stress levels*
- *fatigue and decreased energy levels*
- *difficulty sleeping*
- *concentration difficulties*
- *feeling down*
- *tooth decay*

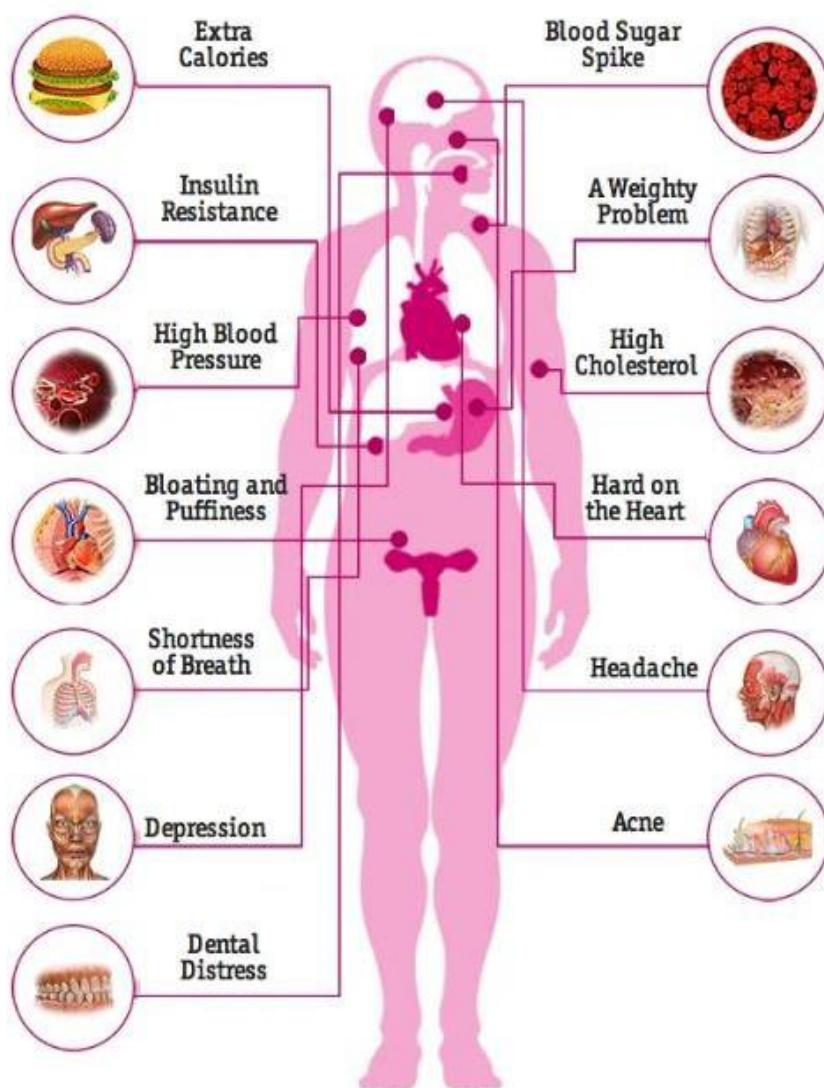
### *Long-term effects of fast foods*

*In the long-term, eating fast food can lead to:*

- *type 2 diabetes*
- *heart-related problems (such as cardiovascular disease, high blood pressure and cholesterol)*
- *overweight and obesity*
- *osteoporosis*
- *certain cancers*
- *depression*
- *eating disorder*

# THE EFFECTS OF FAST FOOD ON THE BODY

Fast foods often contain too many calories and too little nutrition. If fast food is a regular component of your diet, you might find yourself struggling with weight problems and ill health.



# **DATA COLLECTION AND** **METHODOLOGY**

## **Data collection and methodology**

PURPOSE OF SURVEY

PLANNING OF THE SURVEY

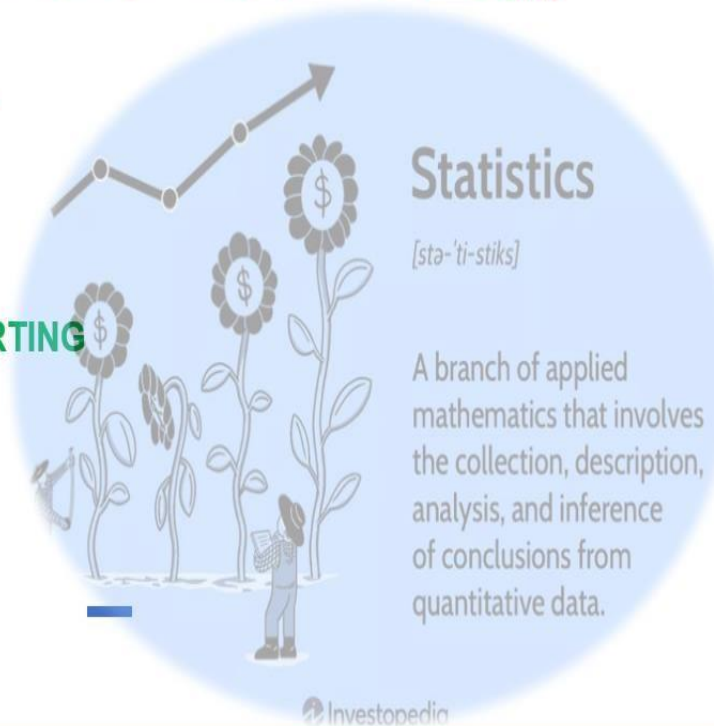
AREA OF SURVEY

SAMPLING TECHNIQUES

DATA COLLECTION

DATA ANALYSIS AND REPORTING

TIME OF SURVEY



- **Purpose of Survey:** *This study aims to find fast food consumption habits, body mass index, and check to fast food affect the health of students or not and to spread awareness among the students the potential health problems caused by fast food.*
- **Planning of the Survey:** *A full proof planning is an essential part of any statistical survey to complete it in a successful manner at minimum cost and time. Planning of survey includes selection of topic and preparation of a short questionnaire covering almost all the area. From this questionnaire, I select those questions which seem to be relevant in context of the mentioned topic.*
- **Area of Survey:** *According to aim of survey I had to take sample from students of Banaras Hindu University. Since B.H.U is very large so I had to fix my area of survey to under graduate (UG) 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> year Science students.*
- **Sampling Techniques:** *A group of units or elements which have well defined characteristics under study, called Population. The population may be finite or infinite a finite population is one in which unit of population is finite and an infinite population is one in which member of population is infinite. A sample is a finite subset of statistical individuals in a population and a number of individuals/units in a sample are called a sample size. On the basis of sample, we can estimate about the population parameter in which we are interested. The sample was selected by using random sampling as sampling technique & Sample size collected for survey is 139.*

- **Data Collection:** *Data for this project was collected through Online □ Questionnaire Method (Google form is Used). I have collected the data mainly through mailed questionnaire or by social media by providing a link of this questionnaire from Google. The size of the samples drawn from BHU was “139”.*
- **Data Analysis and Reporting:** *Data analysis involves summarizing the raw data and interpreting their meaning which provides clear answer to questions in which we are interested. For this purpose, I have used software named as MS- EXCEL. Then I analysis and interpret the data using statistical tools (bar chart and pie chart) available in MS EXCEL.*
- **Time Of Survey:** *The questionnaire has been prepared by me and distributed to students through WhatsApp & E-mail to get response in last week of March and first week of April and finished it on last week of April 2024*



## *Objective of survey*

# Objectives



- ❖ *To determine the consumption habit of fast food in a week by the undergraduate science students at BHU.*
- ❖ *To find out the amount of money spend by the students on fast food in a week.*
- ❖ *To determine the BMI (Body mass index) of the students and find out whether consumption of fast food affects the BMI or not.*
- ❖ *To identify that consumption of fast food affects the health of students..*



# *STATISTICAL* *TOOLS*



- ✓ *Project contains both Tabular Representation of Statistical Data and Graphical Representation of Statistical Data. But latter is better way because: Graphical Representation give the first hand comparisons from the data whereas the tabular representation based comparison is quite numeric and needs time. Graphical Representation can be understood by layman also. The types of diagrams used for the statistical representation are:*
- ✓ **COLUMN**: *Most of the tabular representations are diagrammatically represented by column diagram. These are used for marking clear data which has discrete values in the diagram. Here equi-sized and equi-spaced columns are used to represent variables under comparison and the heights of the columns represent the values of the variable.*
- ✓ **PIE CHART**: *A pie chart (or a circle graph) is a circular chart divided into sectors, illustrating proportion. In a pie chart, the arc length of each sector is proportional to the quantity it represents or the quantities are distributed so that the sectoral angles are proportional to the quantity they represent, summing up in total to  $360^\circ$ . Together the sectors create a full disk.*
- ✓ **BAR GRAPH**: *The pictorial representations of a grouped data, in the form of vertical or horizontal rectangular bars, where the lengths of the bars are equivalent to the measure of data, are known as bar graph. The bars drawn have uniform width, and the variable quantity is represented on one of the axes.*

*Also the measure of the variable depicted on the other axes. The heights or the lengths of the bars denote the value of the variable. These graphs can be used to compare various quantities.*

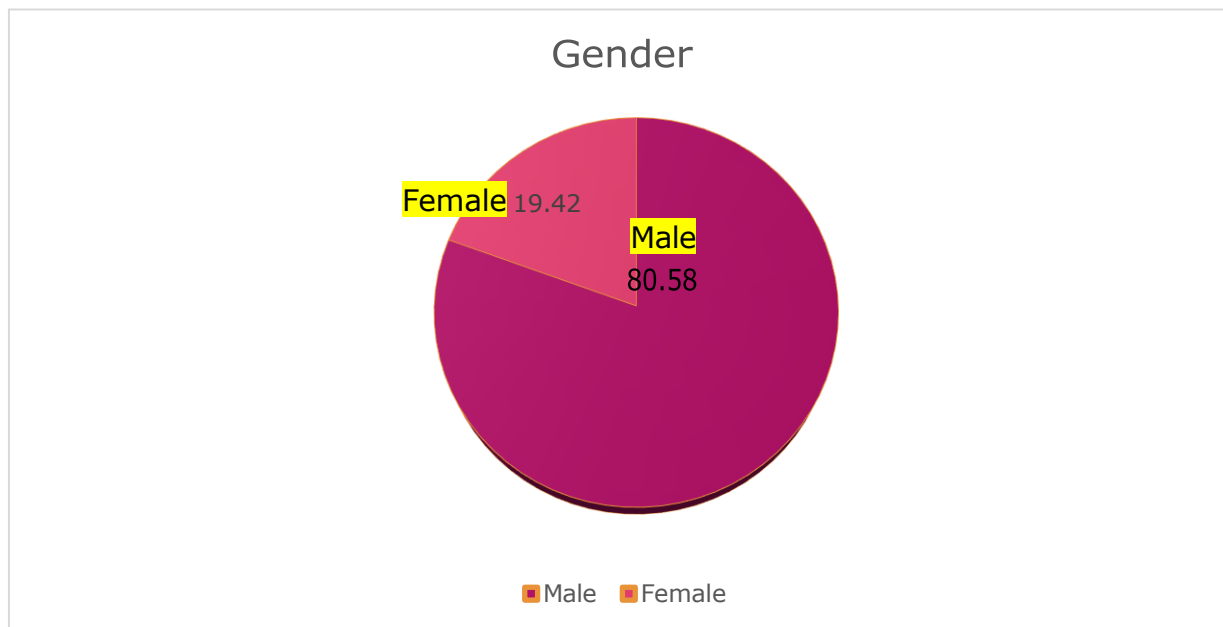
# *TABULATION, ANALYSIS AND INTERPRETATION*



**Table – 1**  
**Gender wise Respondent**

<b><i>Gender</i></b>	<b><i>Frequency</i></b>
<b><i>Male</i></b>	<b><i>112(80.58%)</i></b>
<b><i>Female</i></b>	<b><i>27(19.42%)</i></b>
<b><i>Grand total</i></b>	<b><i>139</i></b>

**Figure – 1**



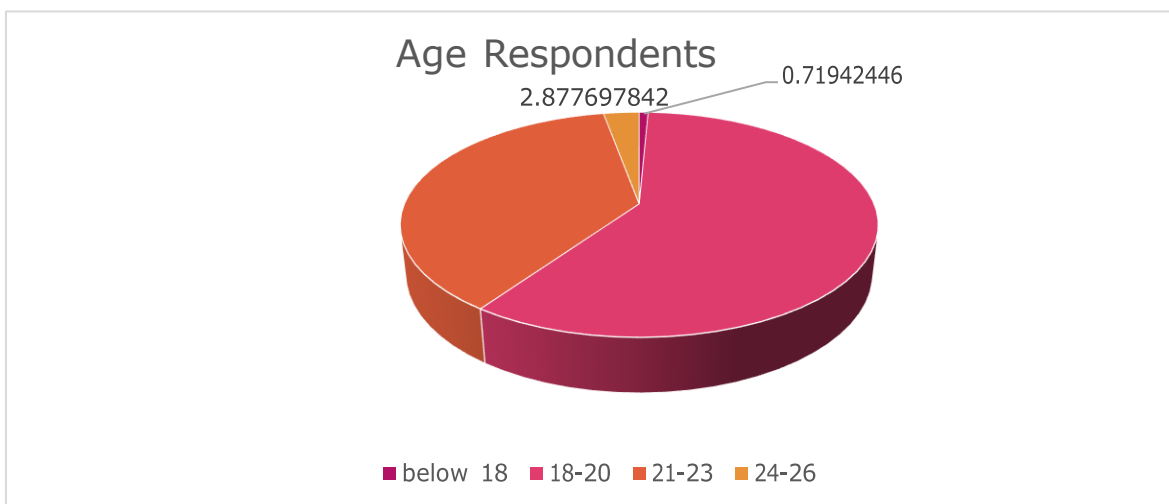
**Interpretations :-**

- The data has been collected from **139** respondents of which **112** i.e **80.58%** are males and remaining **27** i.e **19.42%** are females which can be seen from the above Pie-Chart.

**Table – 2**  
**Age wise Respondent**

<i><b>Age</b></i>	<i><b>Frequency</b></i>
<i><b>below 18</b></i>	<i><b>1(0.71%)</b></i>
<i><b>18-20</b></i>	<i><b>82(58.99%)</b></i>
<i><b>21-23</b></i>	<i><b>52(37.41%)</b></i>
<i><b>24-26</b></i>	<i><b>4(2.88%)</b></i>
<i><b>Grand Total</b></i>	<i><b>139</b></i>

**Figure – 2**



**Descriptive Measures**

<i>Mean</i>	<i>20.27338129</i>
<i>Median</i>	<i>20.00609756</i>
<i>Mode</i>	<i>19.68918919</i>
<i>Standard Deviation</i>	<i>1.687046525</i>
<i>Kurtosis</i>	<i>2.671245872</i>
<i>Skewness</i>	<i>0.655048569</i>

### Interpretations:

- *The age distribution of respondents is as given in Table-2. The age varies from group which is seen in table 1 in years. It can be seen from table that maximum respondents are of the age group 18 - 20 years which consists of 58.99% and 37.41% is of age group 21 - 23 years.*
- *The mean age of respondents is **20.37** years.*
- *The Variability (Standard deviation) in age of respondents from mean age is 1.68 years.*
- *Since the skewness is **0.655**, which is **positive**, it means that when the curve is drawn from the given data, there will be a lack of symmetry and it will be stretched more to the positive side*
- *Here the kurtosis is **2.67**, which is less than 3, which means that the curve will be flatter than the normal curve, and it is known as the **Platykurtic Curve**.*

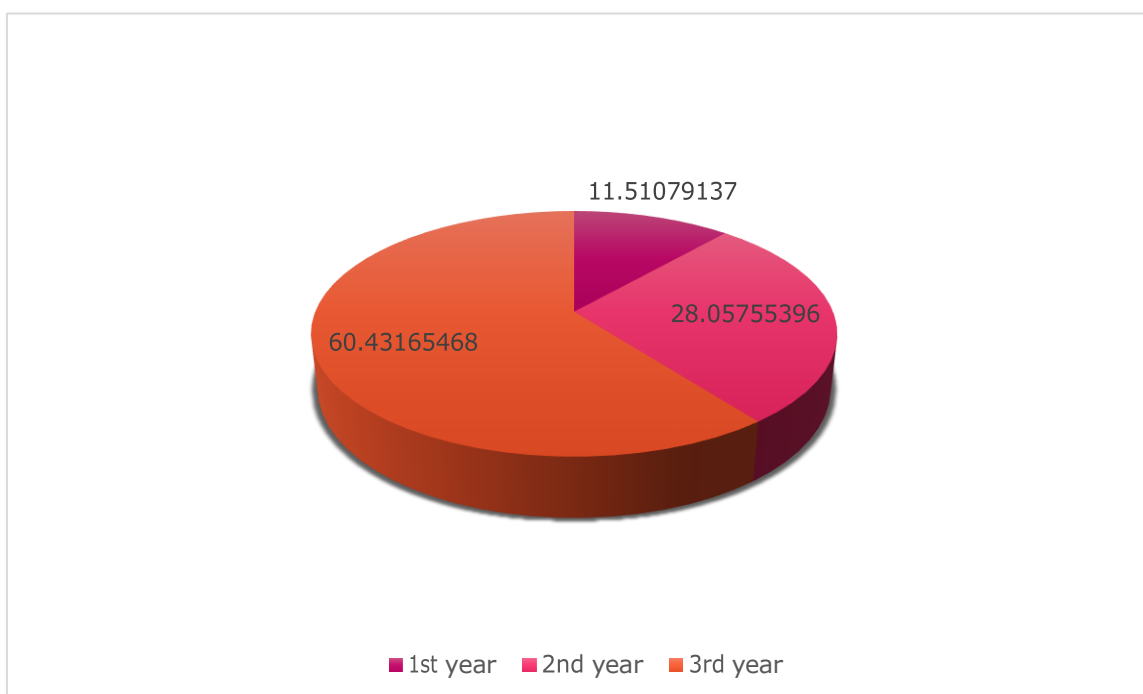


**Table – 3**

*Student's Year of study (1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>) wise respondent*

<b><i>Year</i></b>	<b><i>No of students (frequency)</i></b>
<b><i>1st year</i></b>	<b><i>16 (11.51%)</i></b>
<b><i>2nd year</i></b>	<b><i>39 (28.05%)</i></b>
<b><i>3rd year</i></b>	<b><i>84 (60.43%)</i></b>

**Figure – 3**



**Interpretations:**

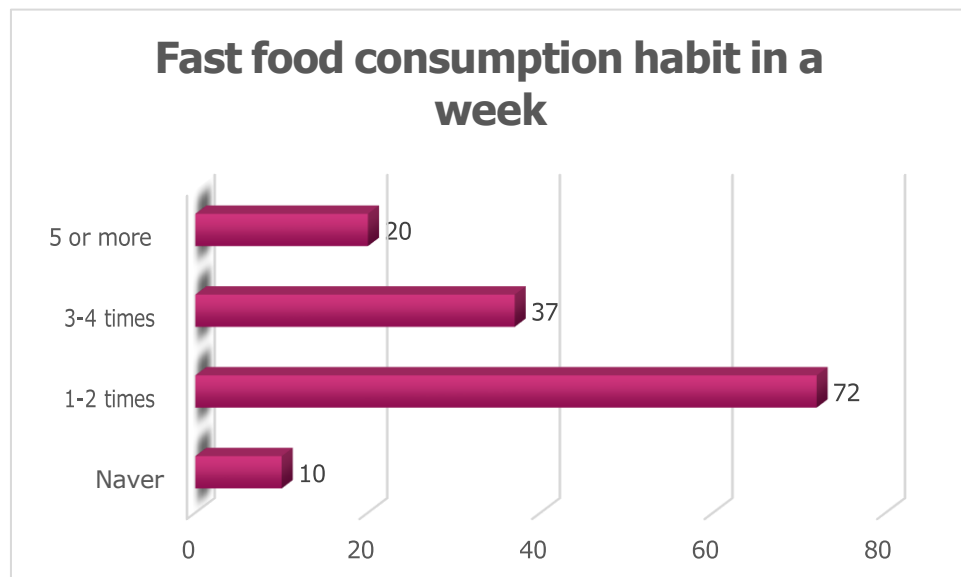
- *The data has been collected from **139** respondents of which **16 (11.51%)** data come from 1<sup>st</sup> Year students,*

*39 (28.05%) data come from 2<sup>nd</sup> Year students and 84 (60.43%) data come from 3<sup>rd</sup> Year students which can be seen from the above Pie-Chart.*

**Table - 4**  
**Fast food consumption habit in a week**

<b><i>Fast food consumption habit in a week</i></b>	<b><i>Frequency (%)</i></b>
<b><i>Never</i></b>	10 (7.19%)
<b><i>1-2 times</i></b>	72 (51.79%)
<b><i>3-4 times</i></b>	37 (26.61%)
<b><i>5 or more times</i></b>	20 (14.38%)
<b><i>Total</i></b>	<b>139</b>

**Figure – 4**



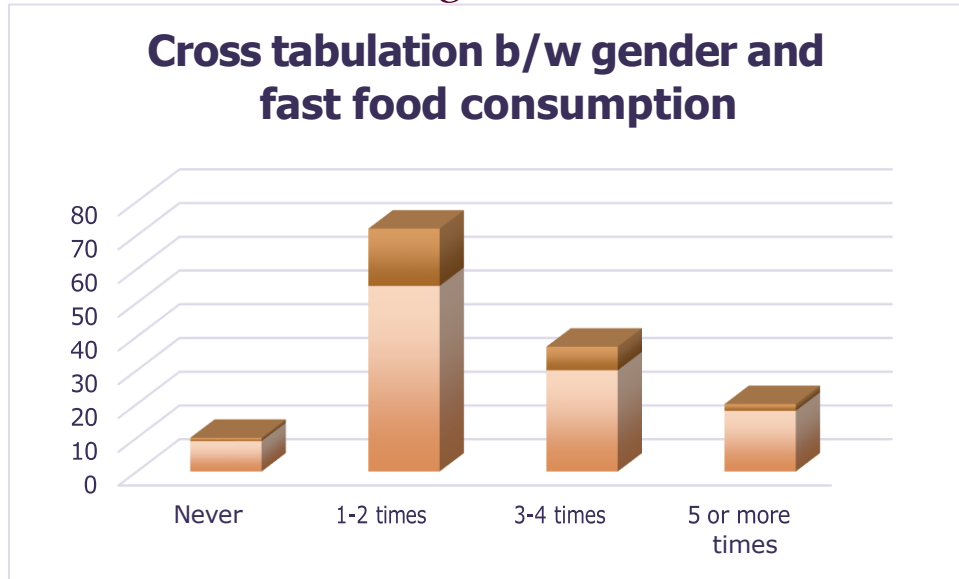
### Interpretations:-

- For undergraduate science students at BHU, 10 (7.19%) students do not eat fast food, 72 (51.79%) students eat fast food 1-2 times in a week, 37 (26.61%) students eat fast food 3-4 times in a week, and the remaining 20 (14.38%) students eat fast food more than 5 times in a week.

**Table - 5**  
**Cross Tabulation between Gender and**  
**Fast food consumed in a week days**

<b>No of Day in week</b>	<b>Frequency(%)</b>		<b>Total Frequency</b>
	<b>Male</b>	<b>Female</b>	
<b>Never</b>	9(8.03%)	1(3.70%)	10(7.19%)
<b>1-2 times</b>	55(49.11%)	17(62.96%)	72(51.79%)
<b>3-4 times</b>	30(26.78%)	7(25.92%)	37(26.61%)
<b>5 or more times</b>	18(10.07%)	2(7.40%)	20(14.38%)
<b>Total</b>	<b>112(80.58)</b>	<b>27(19.42)</b>	<b>139</b>

*Figur - 5*



*Interpretations:-*

- For male respondents, out of 112 male respondents, 9(8.03%) students do not eat fast, 55(49.11%) students eat fast food 1-2 times in a week, 30(26.78%) students eat fast food 3-4 times in a week, and the remaining 18(10.07) students eat fast food 5 or more than 5 times in a week.
- For female respondents, out of 27 female respondents, 1(3.70%) student do not eat fast, 17(62.96%) students eat fast food 1-2 times in a week, 7(25.92%) students eat fast food 3-4 times in a week, and the remaining 2(7.40%) students eat fast food 5 or more than 5 times in a week.

**DESCRIPTIVE STATISTICS OF CONSUMPTION OF FAST FOOD**

Mean	2.5
Median	2.152777778
Mode	1.778350515
Standard Deviation	1.590212872
Kurtosis	-23.48858934
Skewness	0.655048569

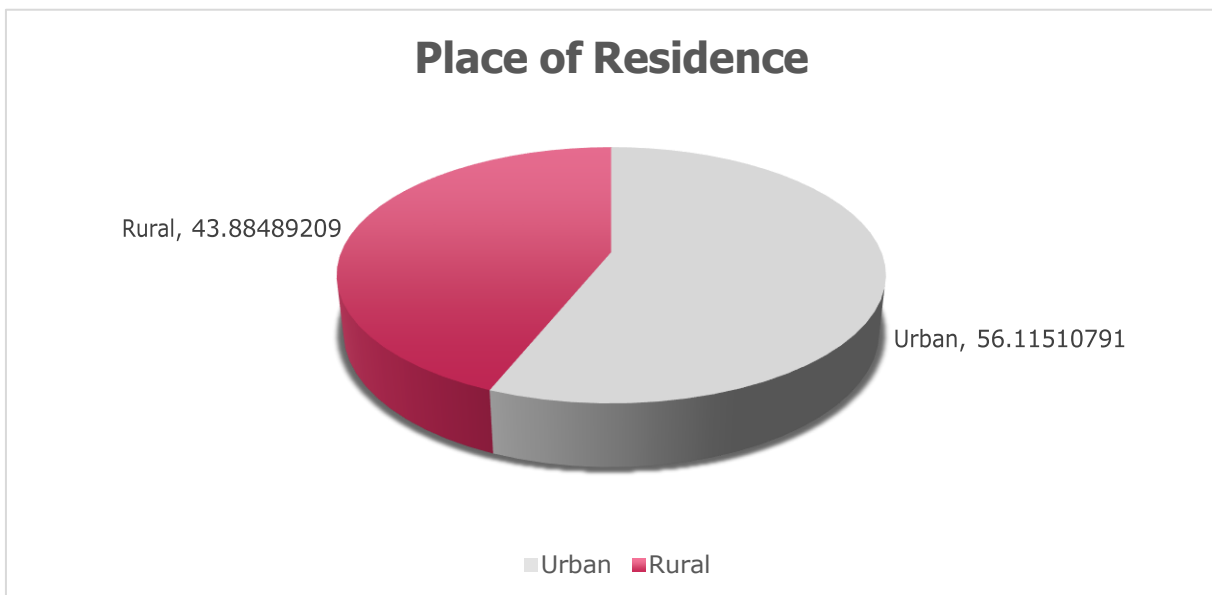
### Interpretations:-

- In a week, respondents consume fast food on average 2.5 days.
- The Standard deviation of the data is 1.590 in a week.
- Here the **kurtosis** is “-23.488”, which is less than 3, which means that the curve will be flatter than the normal curve, and it is known as the **Platykurtic Curve**.
- Since, the **skewness** is “0.655” which is **positive** it means that when the curve will be drawn from given data there will be lack of symmetry and it will be stretched more to the positive side.

**Table - 6**  
**Place of Residence wise respondents**

Place of Residence	Frequency (%)
Urban	78(56.12%)
Rural	61(43.88%)
<b>Total</b>	<b>139*(100%)</b>

Figure – 6



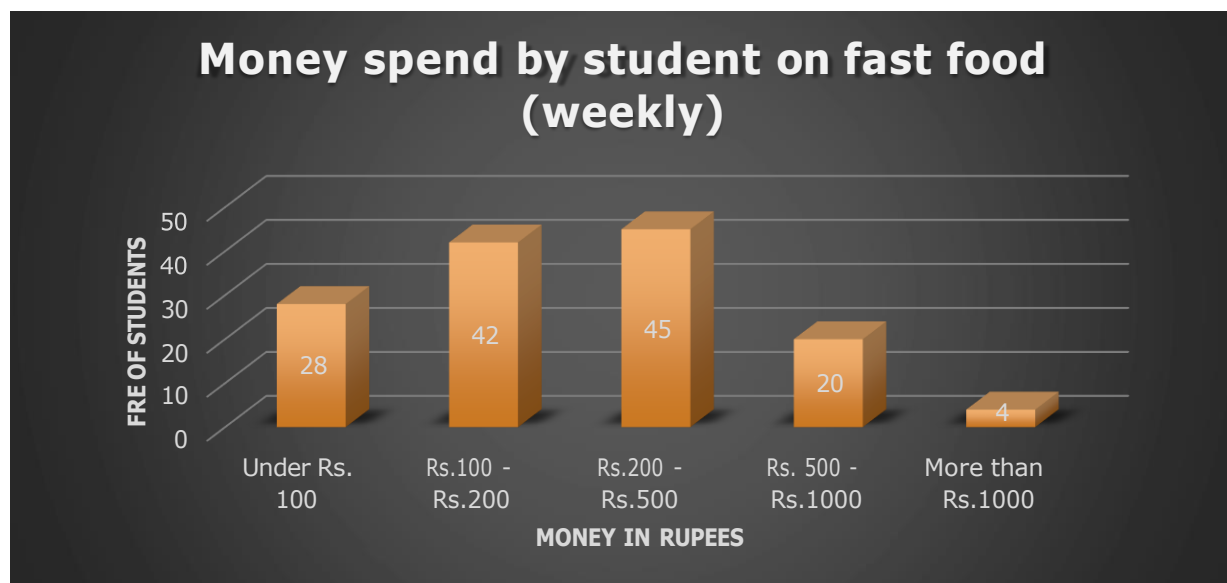
### **Interpretations :-**

- *The data has been collected from **139** Students of which **78** i.e **56.12%** are belongs to Urban area and remaining **61** i.e **43.88%** are belongs to rural area which can be seen from the above Pie-Chart.*

**Table – 7**  
**Money spend by students on fast food in week**

Money spend in Rupees	Frequency	Percentage
Under Rs. 100	28	20.144
Rs.100 - Rs.200	42	30.216
Rs.200 - Rs.500	45	32.374
Rs. 500 - Rs.1000	20	14.388
More than Rs.1000	4	2.878
<b>Total</b>	<b>139</b>	<b>100</b>

Figure – 7



**Descriptive Statistics of money spend on fast food**

Mean	297.4820144
Standard deviation	16.8484426
Kurtosis	1.082219484
Skewness	3.556327375

**Interpretations :-**

- For undergraduate science students at BHU, On average students spend approximate **300** rupees on consumption of fast food in a week .
- The Variability (Standard deviation) of respondents is **283.87** rupees.
- Since the skewness is **3.55**, which is **positive**, it means that when the curve is drawn from the given data, there will be a lack of symmetry and it will be stretched more to the positive side
- Here the kurtosis is 1.08, which is less than 3, which means that the curve will be flatter than the normal curve, and it is known as the **Platykurtic Curve**.

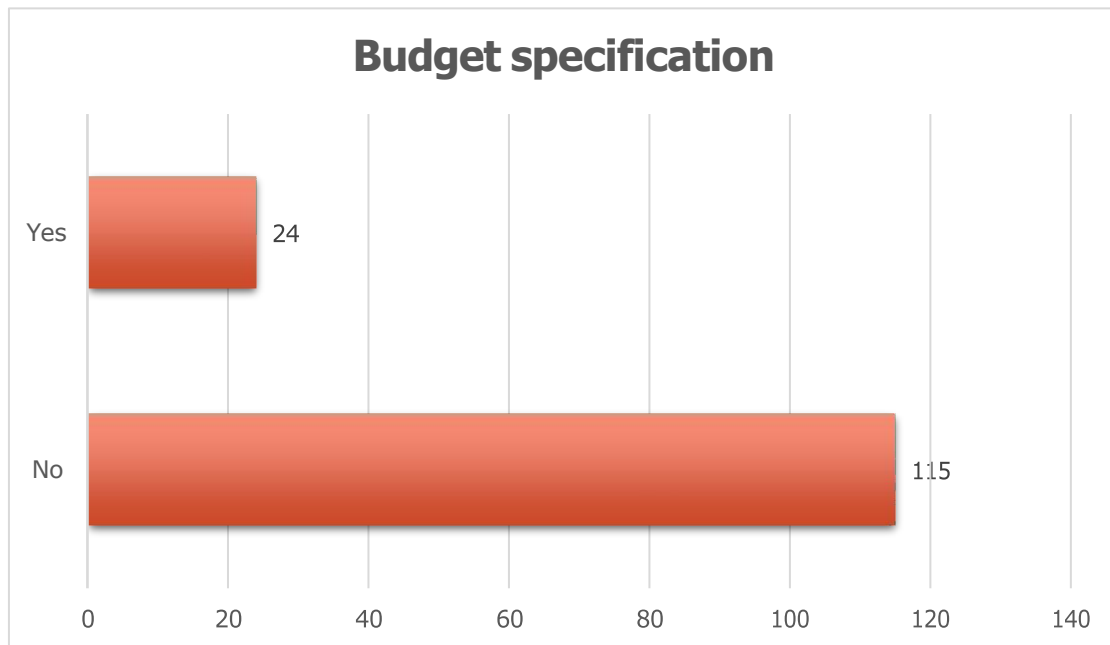


**Table – 8**

**Do you order budget specific fast food ?**

Budget specific	Frequency
No	115
Yes	24
Total	139

**Figure – 8**



**Interpretations :-**

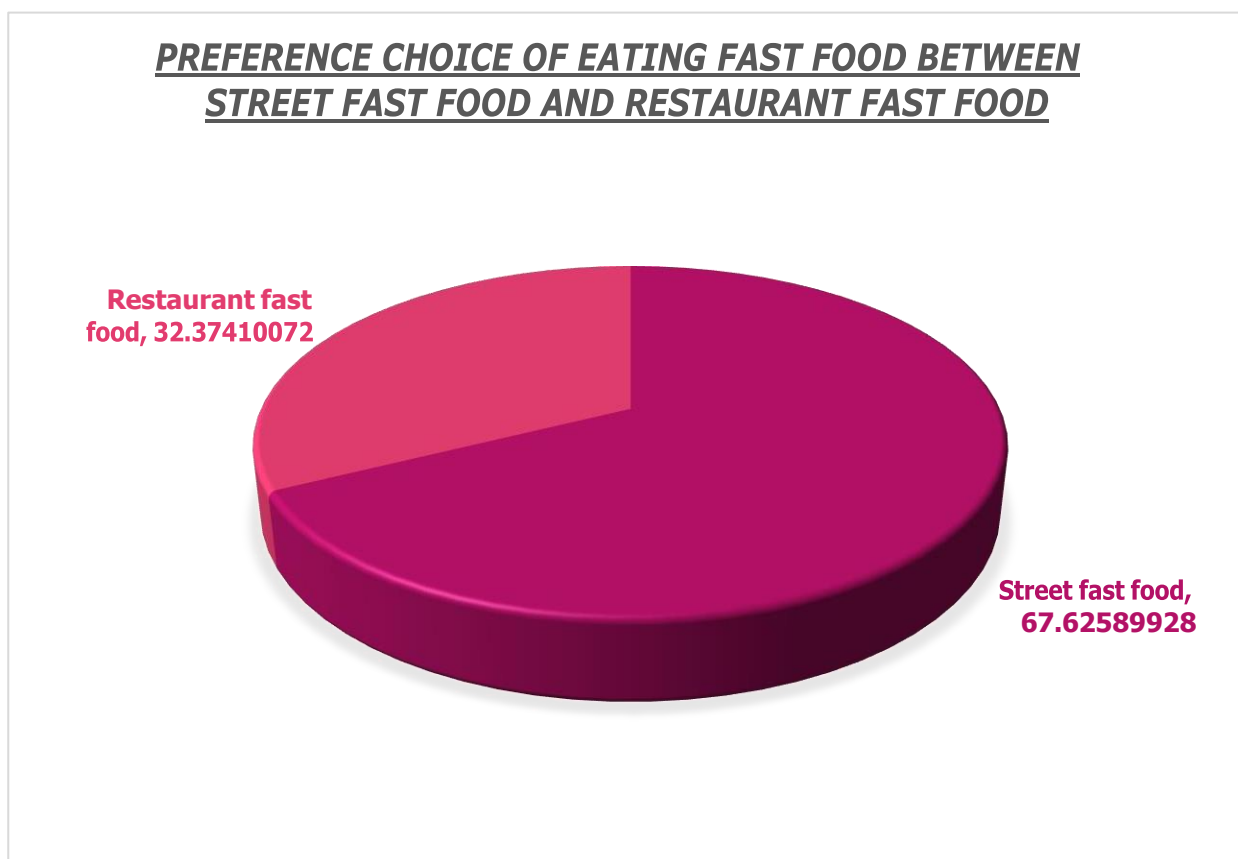
- In 139 respondents, 24 students ordered the budget specific fast food and remaining 115 students do not prefer to order the budget specific fast food.

**Table – 9**

**Preference choice of eating fast food between Street fast food and Restaurant fast food**

Choice	Frequency
Street fast food	94 (67.62%)
Restaurant fast food	45 (32.38%)
Total	100

**Figure – 9**



### **Interpretations :-**

- In the **139** student respondents, **45 (32.38%)** students prefer to eat fast food in a restaurant, and the remaining **94 (67.62%)** students prefer to eat fast food on the street side.

**Table - 10**  
**Comparison between average height of male and female**

<i>Statistical measure</i>		
<i><b>Gender</b></i>	<i><b>Average height in cm</b></i>	<i><b>Median height</b></i>
<i><b>Male</b></i>	171.93	172
<i><b>Female</b></i>	160.77	162

### **Interpretations :-**

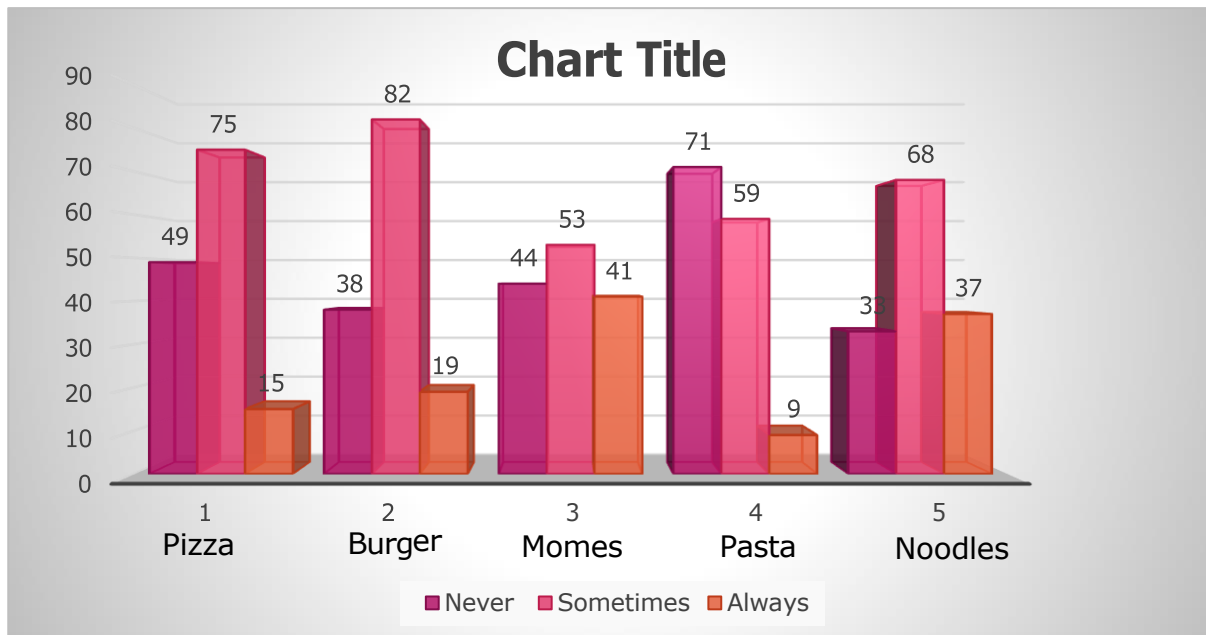
- *Average height of male is **171.93 cm** and female **160.77 cm**.*
- *The we can say that the height of female is less than the height of male (According to my data).*
- *The median height of females is **162 cm**, and that of males is **172 cm**.*

**Table - 11**

**Eating habit of students favourite fast food**

<i>Favourite fast food</i>	<i>Pizza</i>	<i>Burger</i>	<i>Momes</i>	<i>Pasta</i>	<i>Noodles</i>
<i>Never</i>	49	38	44	71	33
<i>Sometimes</i>	75	82	53	59	68
<i>Always</i>	15	19	41	9	37

**Figure – 10 (11.1)**



**Interpretations :-**

- On the basis of the above data, we see that **49** students do not prefer to eat pizza, **75** students eat pizza sometimes in a week, and **5** students prefer to eat pizza in a week.

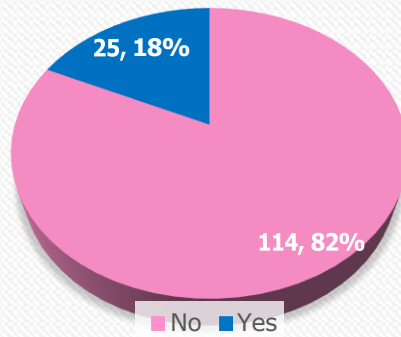
- *On the basis of the above data, we see that 38 students do not prefer to eat burger, 82 students eat pizza sometimes in a week, and 19 students prefer to eat pizza in a week.*
- *On the basis of the above data, we see that 44 students do not prefer to eat momos, 53 students eat momos sometimes in a week, and 41 students prefer to eat momos in a week.*
- *On the basis of the above data, we see that 71 students do not prefer to eat pasta, 59 students sometimes eat pasta in a week, and 7 students prefer to eat pasta in a week.*
- *On the basis of the above data, we see that 33 students do not prefer to eat noodles, 68 students sometimes eat noodles in a week, and 37 students prefer to eat noodles in a week.*

### **Table – 12**

**How many students consider that fast food is a regular part of our diet?**

<b>Opinion</b>	<b>Frequency</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
<b>No</b>	114	82.01
<b>Yes</b>	25	17.99
<b>Total</b>	<b>139</b>	<b>100</b>

### Do you consider fast food a regular part of your diet ?



**Figure-11(12.1)**

#### **Interpretations:-**

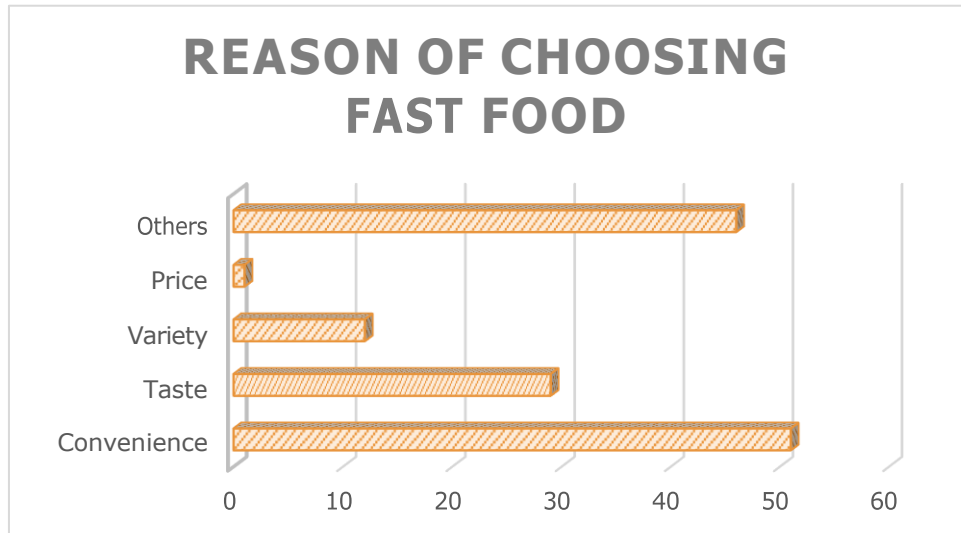
- In the 139 respondents, 25 (17.99%) students think that fast food is a regular part of our diet, and the remaining 114 (82.01%) think that fast food is not a regular part of our diet.

**Table – 13**

#### **Reason of choosing fast food**

Reason	Frequency
Convenience	51
Taste	29
Variety	12
Price	1
Others	46
<b>Total</b>	<b>139</b>

*Figure – 12(13.1)*



**Interpretations:-**

- From the above 139 data, 46 students eat fast food for convenience, 29 students eat fast food for good taste, 12 students eat fast food for variety in food, and 46 students eat fast food for another reason.

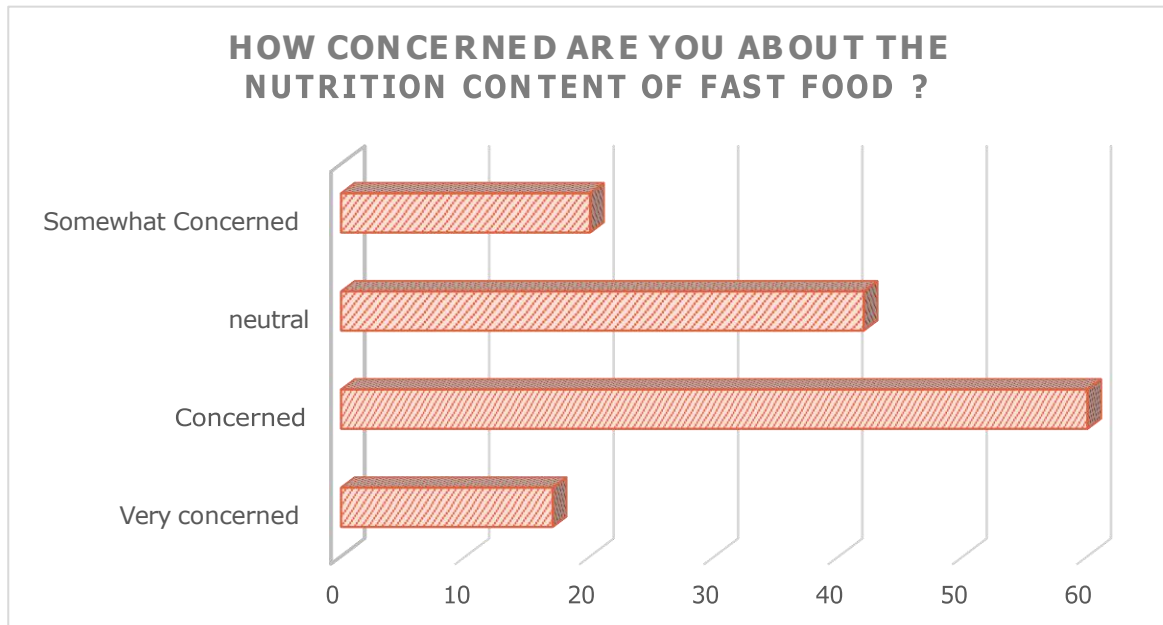
**Table – 14**

**How concerned are you about the nutrition content of fast food?**

<i>Concern level</i>	<i>Frequency</i>	<i>Percentage</i>
<i>Very concerned</i>	17	12.23021583
<i>Concerned</i>	60	43.16546763
<i>neutral</i>	42	30.21582734
<i>Somewhat Concerned</i>	20	14.38848921
<i>Total</i>	139	100



*Figure – 13(14.1)*



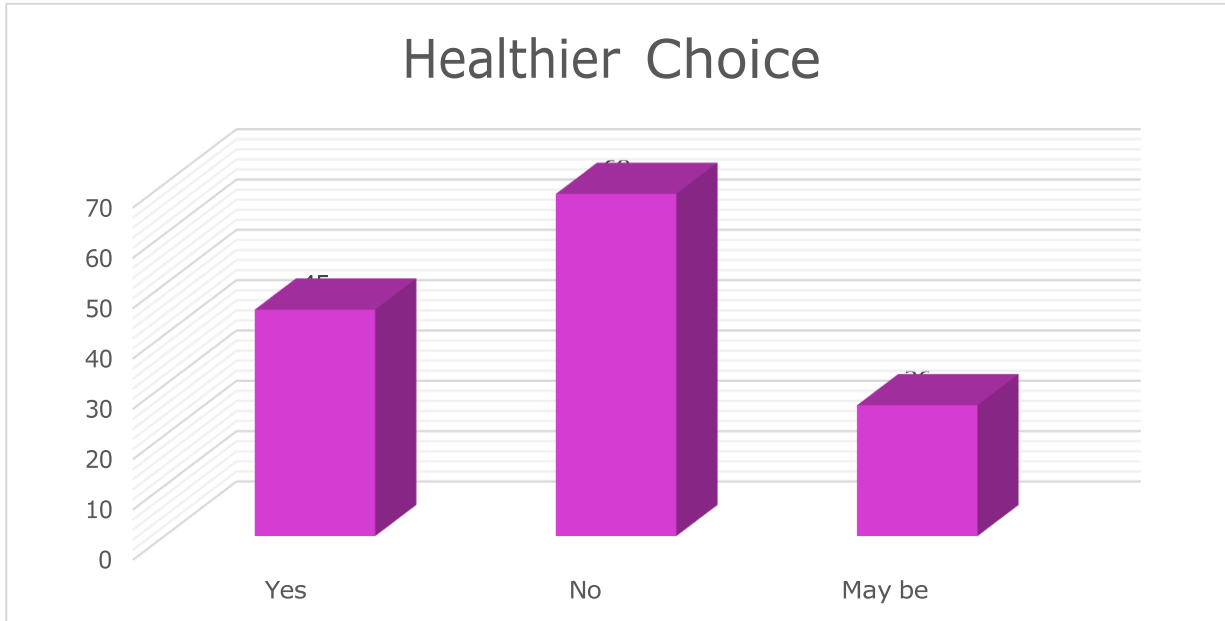
**Interpretations:-**

- *From the above data,*
  - **12.23%** *students very concern about the nutrition level of fast food.*
  - **43.16%** *students concern about the nutrition level of fast food.*
  - **30.21%** *students neutral about the nutrition level of fast food.*
  - **14.38%** *students somewhat concern about the nutrition level of fast food.*

**Table – 15**  
**Ordering healthier fast food**

<b>Choice</b>	<b>Frequency</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
<b>Yes</b>	45	32.37
<b>No</b>	68	48.92
<b>May be</b>	26	18.71
<b>Total</b>	<b>139</b>	<b>100</b>

*Figure – 14(15.1)*



**Interpretations:-**

- From the above data,
- 45 i.e 32.37% students do not prefer to order healthier fast food, 68

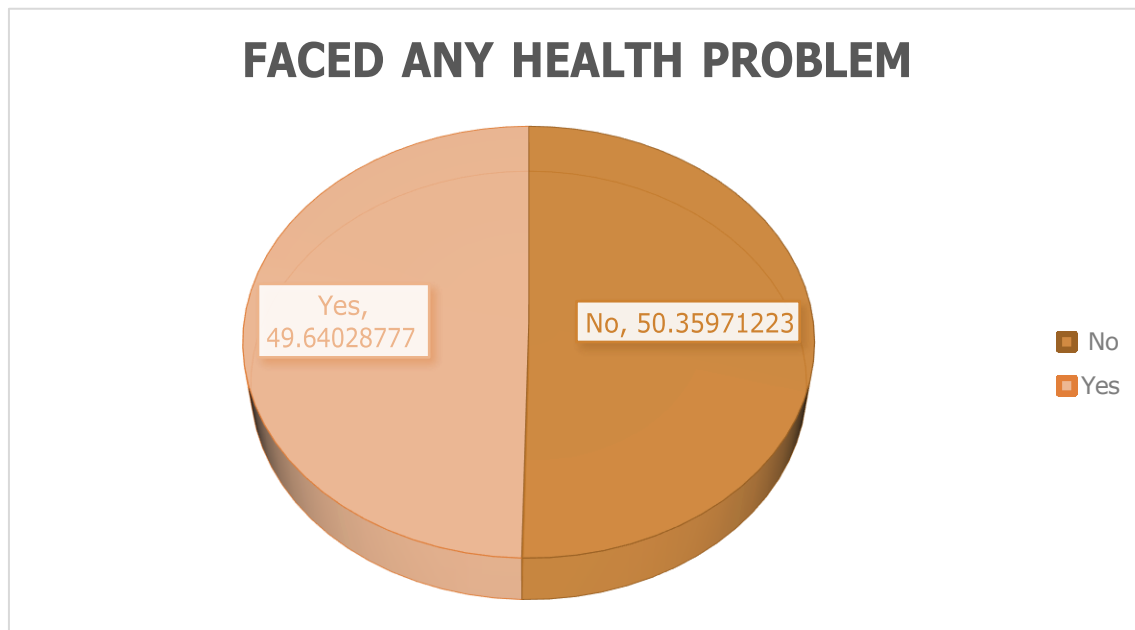
*i.e 48.92% students prefer to order healthier fast food, and remaining 26 i.e 18.71% students may be order healthier fast food.*

**Table – 16**

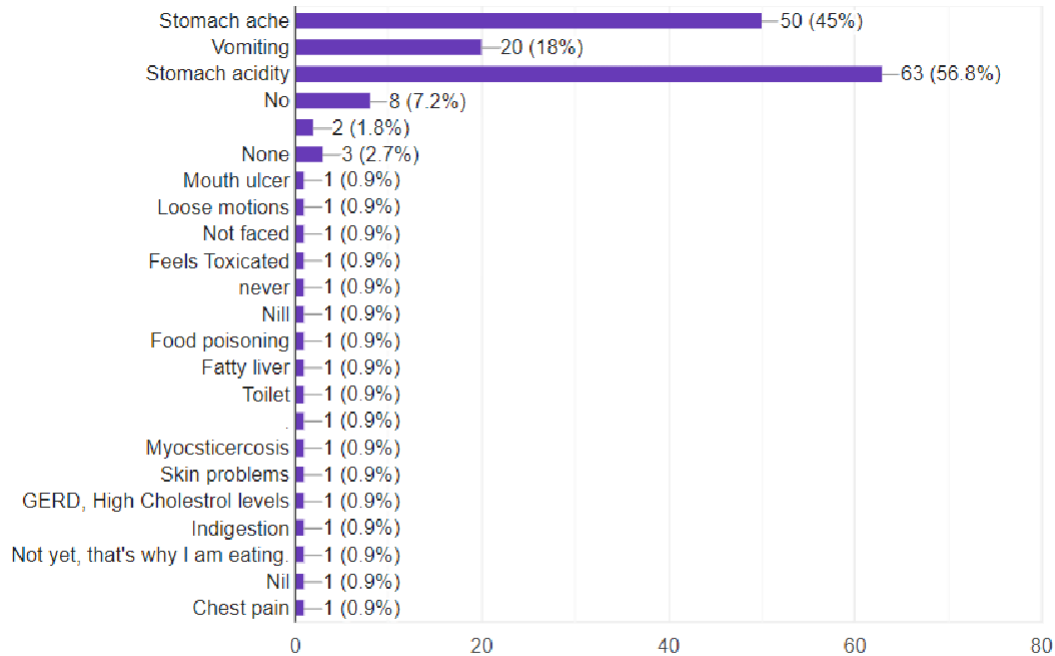
**Do you faced any health problem due to eating of fast food**

<i>Faced any health problem</i>	<i>Frequency</i>	<i>Percentage</i>
No	70	50.35971223
Yes	69	49.64028777
<i>Total</i>	<i>139</i>	<i>100</i>

**Figure – 15(16.1)**



*Figure – 16(16.2)*



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**Interpretations:-**

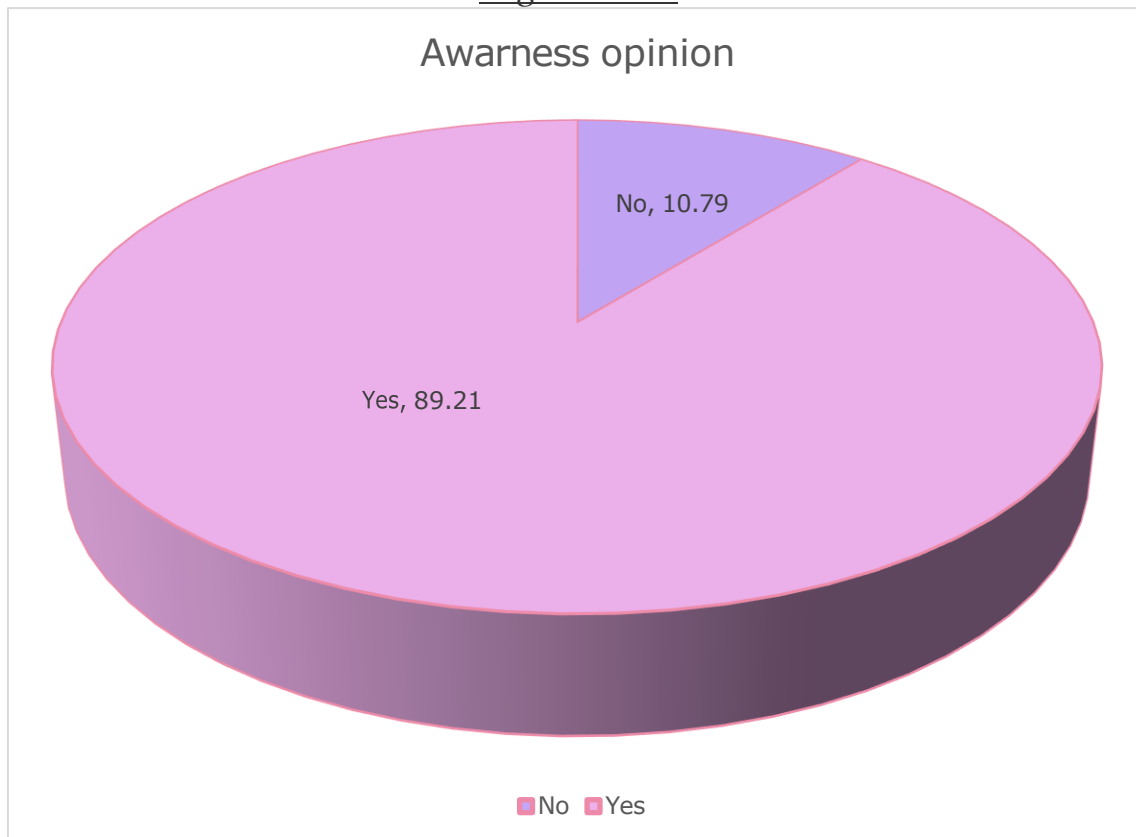
- In 139 respondents, 70 i.e 50.36% students do not face any health problems due to eating fast food, and remaining 69 i.e 49.64% students faced some health problems due to eating fast food.
- The problems faced by students are stomach ache (45%), vomiting (18%), and stomach acidity (56.8%) and so on which is shown in above chart.

**Table – 17**

**Opinion on Awareness of potential health risk  
associated with daily consumption of the fast  
food**

Awareness opinion	frequency	Percentage
No	15	10.79
Yes	124	89.21
Total	139	100

**Figure – 17**



### **Interpretations:-**

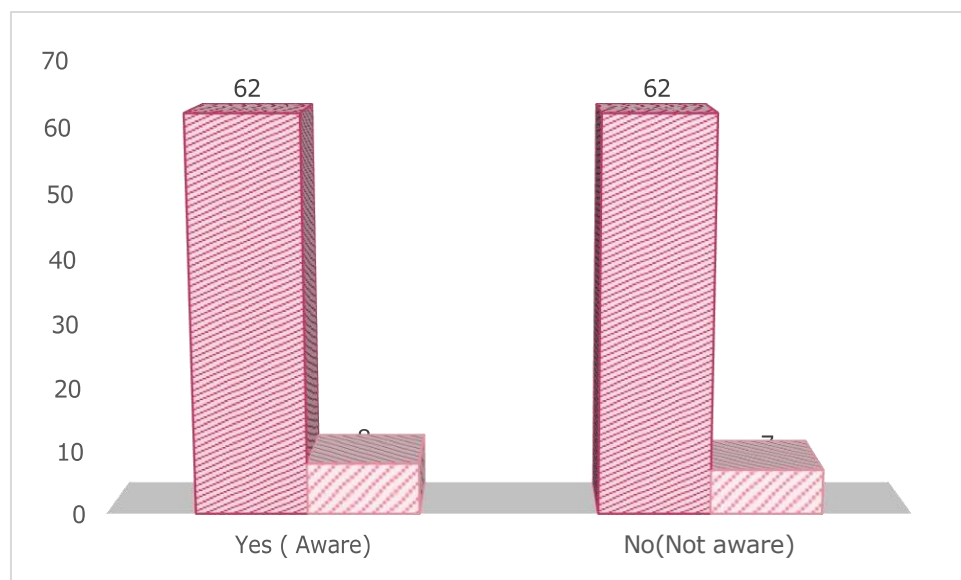
- From the 139 respondents, 124 (89.21%) students are aware of the potential health risk associated with regular consumption of fast food and 15 (10.79%) are not aware.

### **Table – 18**

#### **Cross tabulation between awareness of health risk of consumption of fast food and faced health problem**

Yes/No	Yes(faced health problem)	No( Not faced any health problem)
Yes (Aware)	62(44.60%)	8(5.75%)
No(Not aware)	62(44.60%)	7(5.03%)

*Figure – 18*



### **Interpretations:-**

From the above table, We see that

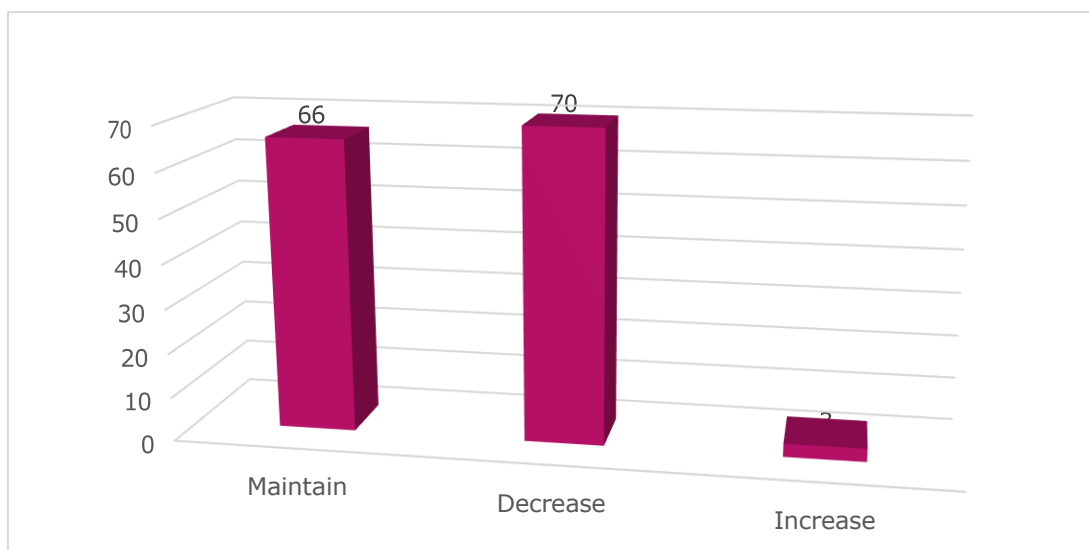
- 44.60% students aware the health risk associated with eating of fast food and they also faced a health problem due to eating of fast food.
- 44.60% students do not aware the health risk associated with eating of fast food and they faced health problem due to eating of fast food.
- 5.75% students aware the health risk associated with eating of fast food and they have not faced health any problem due to eating of fast food.
- 5.03% students do not aware the health risk associated with eating of fast food and they have not faced health any problem due to eating of fast food.

**Table – 19**

**Do you plan to Decrease, maintain or increase your consumption of fast food?**

Opinion	Frequency	Percentage
Maintain	66	47.48201439
Decrease	70	50.35971223
Increase	3	2.158273381
<b>Total</b>	<b>139</b>	<b>100</b>

**Figure – 19**



### **Interpretations:-**

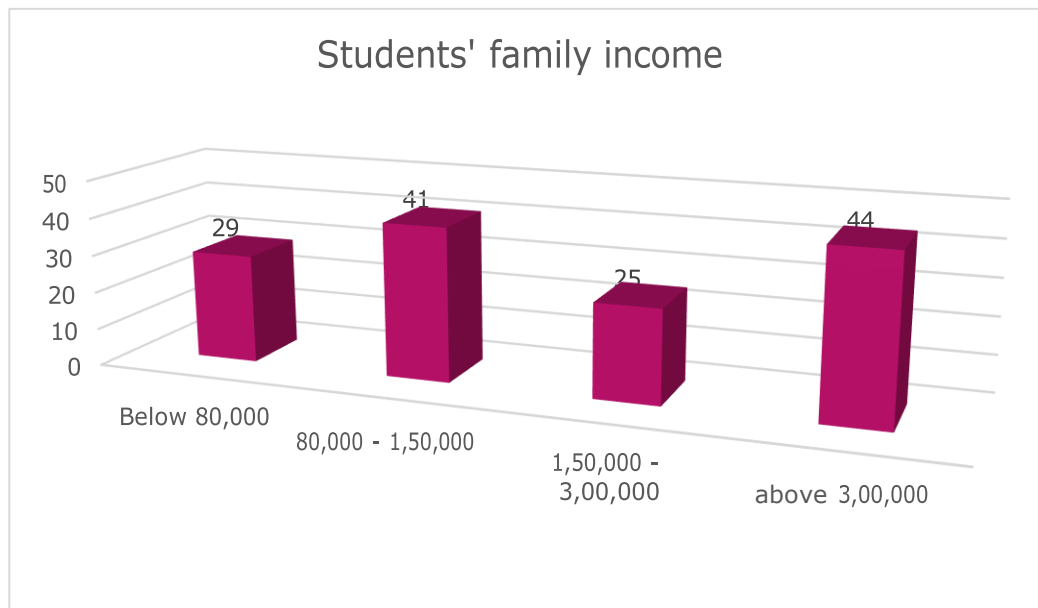
*From the above table, we see that*

- 66 i.e 47.48% students want to maintain their fast food consumption habits.
- 70 i.e 50.36% students want to decrease their fast food consumption habits.
- 3 i.e 2.15% students want to increase their fast food consumption habits.

**Table – 20**  
**Students' family annual income**

Annual income	Frequency
Below 80,000	29
80,000 - 1,50,000	41
1,50,000 -3,00,000	25
above 3,00,000	44
Total	139

**Figure – 20**





### Interpretations:-

*From the above data table, we see that*

- *Annual income of 29 students is less than Rs. 80,000.*
- *Annual income of 41 students is between Rs. 80,000 to Rs. 1,50,000.*
- *The annual income of 25 students is between Rs. 1,50,000 and Rs. 3,00,000.*
- *And 44 students' annual income is more than Rs. 3,00,000.*

### Table- 21

#### Body Mass Index of Respondents

BMI	Weight Status	Frequency	Percentage
Below 18.5	Under Weight	24	17.27
18.5 - 24.99	Healthy Weight	98	70.50
25.0 -29.9	Over Weight	16	11.51
30.0 and above	Obesity	1	0.72
Total		139	100

**Table – 21.1**

#### **Body Mass Index of Male Respondents**

BMI	Weight Status	Frequency	Percentage
Below 18.5	Under weight	14	10.07
18.5 - 24.99	Healthy Weight	84	60.43
25.0 -29.9	Over Weight	13	9.35
30.0 and above	Obesity	1	0.72
Total		112	80.57553957

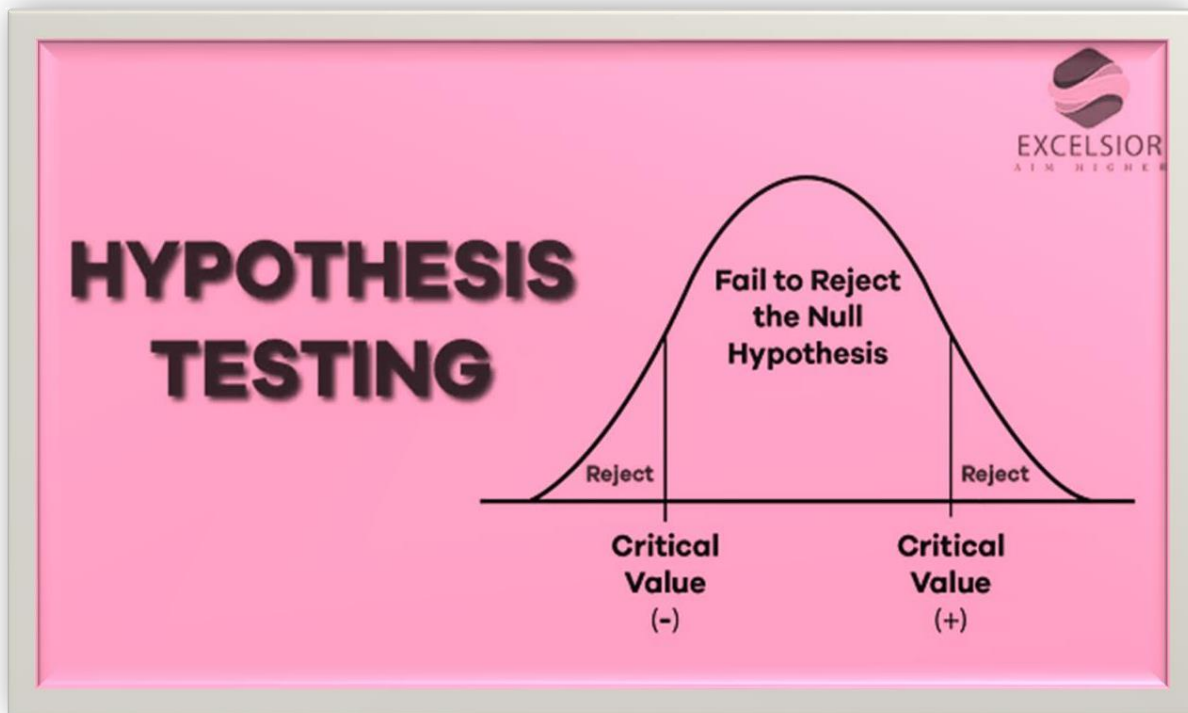
**Table – 21.2**  
**Body Mass Index of Female Respondents**

BMI	Weight Status	Frequency	Percentage
Below 18.5	Under weight	10	7.19
18.5 - 24.99	Healthy Weight	14	10.07
25.0 -29.9	Over Weight	3	2.16
30.0 and above	Obesity	0	0.00
Total		27	19.42446043

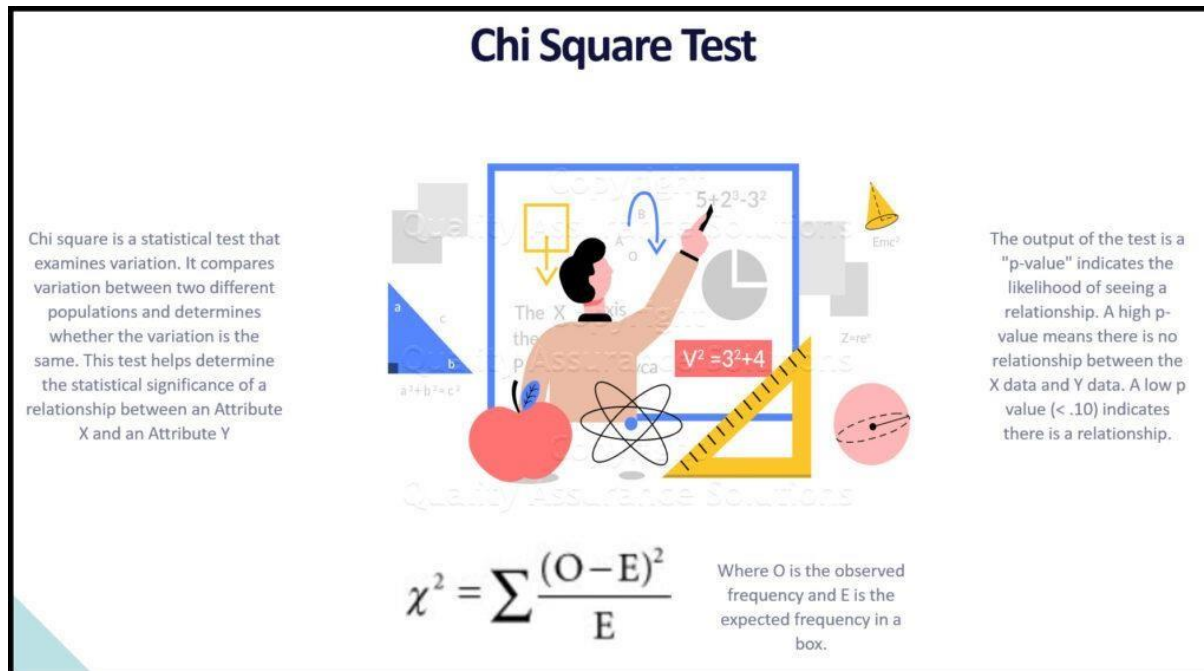
**Interpretations:**

- **17.27%** of respondents are **Underweight**, around **9.35%** of the respondents are **Overweight**.
- Around **60.43%** of respondents comes under **Healthy Weight** category.
- Almost **1%** respondents are **Obese**.
- Of all Male respondents, **10.07%** are **Underweight**, whereas **7.19%** of Female respondents are **Underweight**.
- Of all Male respondents, **9.35%** are **Overweight**, whereas only **2.16%** Female respondents are **Overweight**.
- Generally more Females are **Underweight** and number of Males with **Overweight** are greater.
- Average BMI of Students respondents is 21.331.
- Median BMI of Students respondents is 20.761.

# *STATISTICAL* *TESTING* *(HYPOTHESIS TESTING)*



## Concept of Chi-Square Test For Independence of Attributes:



Chi-square test is applied to find out whether the two variables in a bivariate contingency table under the study are dependent or independent. Our two hypotheses; null hypothesis  $H_0$  and alternate hypothesis  $H_1$ .

**$H_0$ :** The two attributes are independent

**$H_1$ :** The two attributes are dependent

Computation is done using the formula:

$$\chi^2 (\text{cal.}) = \sum \sum (O_{ij} - E_{ij})^2 / E_{ij} \sim \chi^2 (r-1)(s-1) ;$$

Where  $r$  and  $s$  are the no. of rows and number of columns of the contingency table and  $i=1, 2, \dots, r$  and  $j=1, 2, \dots, s$

$O_{ij}$  = observed frequency of  $(i,j)$ th cell

$E_{ij}$  = expected frequency of  $(i,j)$ th cell

Where  $N_{i0}$  and  $N_{0j}$  are marginal totals and  $N$  is the total number of observations. The test statistic follows, under  $H_0$  a chi-square distribution with  $(r-1)(s-1)$  degrees of freedom. The null hypothesis can be tested either at 5% or 1% level of

significance.

If  $\chi^2 (\text{cal.}) < \chi^2 (\text{tab.})$  then  $H_0$  may be accepted which shows that the two variables are independent of each other otherwise we may reject the  $H_0$  which shows that the two variables are not independent i.e., dependent of each other.

Also, when the observed frequency is less than five, pooling is done to apply the test.

### Test 1

#### Chi Square test for testing effect of fast food on BMI

***$H_0$ : There is no significant relation between consumption of fast food and Body Mass Index***

***$H_1$ : There is significant relation between of fast food and Body Mass Index.***

#### **OBSERVED FREQUENCY TABLE**

<i>Observed Frequency Table</i>			
	<i>NO</i>	<i>YES</i>	<i>Total</i>
<i>Below 18.5</i>	10	14	24
<i>18.5—24.9</i>	28	70	98
<i>25.0—29.9</i>	6	10	16
<i>30.0 and above</i>	0	1	1
<i>Total</i>	44	95	139

#### **EXPECTED FREQUENCY TABLE**

<i>Expected Frequency Table</i>			
	<i>No</i>	<i>yes</i>	<i>Total</i>
<i>Below 18.5</i>	7.60	16.40	24.00
<i>18.5—24.9</i>	31.02	66.98	98.00
<i>25.0—29.9</i>	5.06	10.94	16.00
<i>30.0 and above</i>	0.32	0.68	1.00
<i>Total</i>	44	95	139

## **AFTER POOLING**

<i>O<sub>i</sub> (Observed)</i>	<i>E<sub>i</sub> (Expected)</i>	<i>(O<sub>i</sub>-E<sub>i</sub>)<sup>2</sup>/E<sub>i</sub></i>
10	7.597122302	0.76000109
28	31.02158273	0.294310007
6	5.381294964	0.071134536
14	16.05755396	0.263647147
70	65.56834532	0.299528119
11	10.70503597	0.008127369

## **$\chi^2$ VALUE**

<b>CALCULATED</b>	1.696748268
<b>LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE</b>	5%(0.05)
<b>D.O.F</b>	1
<b>TABULATED</b>	3.841458821

### **INTERPRETATIONS:-**

**The degree of freedom is  $(4-1)*(2-1)=3$ , also 2 d.o.f is lost in the method of pooling, so Degree of freedom becomes 1.**

**Since  $\chi^2$  Calculated <  $\chi^2$  tabulated so data don't provide sufficient evidence against the null hypothesis which may be accepted at 5% level of significance.**

**Hence we don't have conclusive evidence to reject the null hypothesis that there is no significant relation between consumption of fast food and Body Mass Index. (According to my sample data)**

**Test-2**  
**Chi Square test for testing effect of Fast food consumption habits and Place of Residence**

***Ho: There is no significant relation between consumption of fast food and Place of Residence***

***H1: There is significant relation between of fast food and Place of Residence.***

**OBSERVED FREQUENCY TABLE**

	Naver	1-2 times	3-4 times	5 or more times	Total
Rural	7	34	15	5	61
Urban	13	28	22	15	78
Total	20	62	37	20	139

**EXPECTED FREQUENCY TABLE**

	Naver	1-2 times	3-4 times	5 or more times	Total
Rural	8.78	27.21	16.24	8.78	61
Urban	11.22	34.79	20.76	11.22	78
Total	20	62	37	20	139

***Table for calculation:-***

O <sub>i</sub> (Observed)	E <sub>i</sub> (Expected)	(O <sub>i</sub> -E <sub>i</sub> ) <sup>2</sup> /E <sub>i</sub>
7	8.777	0.360
34	27.209	1.695
15	16.237	0.094
5	8.777	1.625
13	11.223	0.281
28	34.791	1.326
22	20.763	0.074
15	11.223	1.271

## $\chi^2$ VALUE

CALCULATED	6.726
LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE	5%(0.05)
D.O.F	3
TABULATED	7.815

### **INTERPRETATIONS:-**

**The degree of freedom is  $(4-1)*(2-1)=3$ .**

***Since  $\chi^2$  Calculated <  $\chi^2$  tabulated so data don't provide sufficient evidence against the null hypothesis which may be accepted at 5% level of significance.***

***Hence we don't have conclusive evidence to reject the null hypothesis that there is no significant relation between consumption of fast food and Place of Residence.(According to my sample data)***



**Test-3**  
**Chi-Square test for testing the relationship between  
expenditure on fast food and family annual income**

***Ho: There is no significant relationship between expenditure on fast food and family annual income.***

***H1: There is significant relationship between expenditure on fast food and family annual income.***

***OBSERVED FREQUENCY TABLE***

	Under Rs. 100	Rs.100 - Rs.200	Rs.200 - Rs.500	Rs. 500 - Rs.1000	More than Rs.1000	Total
Below 80,000	9	10	6	3	1	29
80,000 - 1,50,000	10	12	10	8	1	41
1,50,000 - 3,00,000	5	7	11	1	1	25
above 3,00,000	4	13	18	8	1	44
Total	28	42	45	20	4	139

***EXPECTED FREQUENCY TABLE***

	Under Rs. 100	Rs.100 - Rs.200	Rs.200 - Rs.500	Rs. 500 - Rs.1000	More than Rs.1000	Total
Below 80,000	5.842	5.842	9.388	4.173	0.006	25.250
80,000 - 1,50,000	8.259	8.259	13.273	5.899	0.007	35.698
1,50,000 - 3,00,000	5.036	5.036	8.094	3.597	0.010	21.772
above 3,00,000	8.863	8.863	14.245	6.331	0.005	38.307
Total	28.000	28.000	45.000	20.000	0.028	139

## **AFTER POOLING**

O <sub>i</sub> (Observed)	E <sub>i</sub> (Expected)	(O <sub>i</sub> -E <sub>i</sub> ) <sup>2</sup> /E <sub>i</sub>
9	5.842	1.707
10	8.259	0.367
5	5.036	0.000
4	8.863	2.669
10	8.763	0.175
12	12.388	0.012
7	7.554	0.041
13	13.295	0.007
6	9.388	1.223
10	13.273	0.807
11	8.094	1.044
21	18.417	0.362
9	9.496	0.026
13	10.331	0.690

## **$\chi^2$ VALUE**

CALCULATED	9.129
LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE	5%(0.05)
D.O.F	6
TABULATED	12.592

### **INTERPRETATIONS:-**

**The degree of freedom is (5-1)\*(4-1)=12, also 6 d.o.f is lost in the method of pooling, so Degree of freedom becomes 6.**

***Since  $\chi^2$  Calculated <  $\chi^2$  tabulated so data don't provide sufficient evidence against the null hypothesis which may be accepted at 5% level of significance.***

***Hence we don't have conclusive evidence to reject the null hypothesis that there is no significant relationship between expenditure on fast food and family annual***

income.(According to my sample data)

### Test-4

### Chi-Square test for testing the relationship between consumption of fast food and Gender

***Ho: There is no significant relation between consumption of fast food and gender.***

***H1: There is significant relation between consumption of fast food and gender.***

#### OBSERVED FREQUENCY TABLE

	Naver	1-2 times	3-4 times	5 or more times	Total
Male	9	55	30	18	112
Female	1	17	7	2	27
Total	10	72	37	20	139

#### EXPECTED FREQUENCY TABLE

	Naver	1-2 times	3-4 times	5 or more times	Total
Male	8.058	58.014	29.813	16.115	112
Female	1.942	13.986	7.187	3.885	27
Total	10	72	37	20	139

#### AFTER POOLING

O <sub>i</sub> (Observed)	E <sub>i</sub> (Expected)	(O <sub>i</sub> -E <sub>i</sub> ) <sup>2</sup> /E <sub>i</sub>
9	8.058	0.110
55	58.014	0.157
30	29.813	0.001
19	18.058	0.049
17	13.986	0.650
9	11.072	0.388

## $\chi^2$ VALUE

CALCULATED	1.355
LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE	5%(0.05)
D.O.F	1
TABULATED	7.815

### **INTERPRETATIONS:-**

**The degree of freedom is  $(4-1)*(2-1)=3$ , also 2 d.o.f is lost in the method of pooling, so Degree of freedom becomes 1.**

***Since  $\chi^2$  Calculated  $<$   $\chi^2$  tabulated so data don't provide sufficient evidence against the null hypothesis which may be accepted at 5% level of significance.***

***Hence we don't have conclusive evidence to reject the null hypothesis that There is no significant relation between consumption of fast food and gender.(According to my sample data)***

***Due to the limitations in area of survey and biasedness of the data, there is a possibility that calculated result may differ from the actual one.***

**The Results are as follows:**

- ✓ *Out of 139 respondents 80.58% of them are males and remaining 19.42% percentare females.*
- ✓ *The maximum number of respondents are 3<sup>rd</sup>-year students.*
- ✓ *The maximum number of respondents are in the 18-20 age group.*
- ✓ *More than 50% of the respondents eat fast 1-2 times a week.*
- ✓ *On average, students spend approximately Rs. 300 in a week.*
- ✓ *3/4<sup>th</sup> of respondents do not order budget-specific fast food.*
- ✓ *Approximately 2/3<sup>th</sup> of the respondents like to eat street fast food.*
- ✓ *According to my data, average height of male students is 171.93cm and average height of female students is 172 cm.*
- ✓ *According to my data, median height of male students is 171.93cm and median height of female students is 162 cm.*
- ✓ *Approximately 82.01% respondents consider that fast food is not a regular part of our diet.*
- ✓ ***The majority of students eat fast food for convenience purposes.***
- ✓ *Approx 43% students concerned about the nutrition level of fast food.*
- ✓ *In every three days respondents take lunch on average two days.*
- ✓ *Approximately 32.37% students ordering healthier fast food.*
- ✓ ***About 50% of students faced health problems due to eating fast food.***
- ✓ *Approximately 89.21% students know aware of the potential health risk associated with daily consumption of fast food.*
- ✓ *Approximately 50% students want to decrease their consumption habits of fast food.*
- ✓ *44 (32.35%) students family income is more than 3 lakh, and 41 (29.49%) students family income lie between 80,000 and 1,50,000.*
- ✓ *The BMI of 70.50% of students is 18.5 to 24.99, which means they belong to the healthy weight category.*
- ✓ *The BMI of 60.43% of male students is 18.5 to 24.99, which means they belong to the healthy weight category.*
- ✓ *The BMI of 60.43% of female students is 18.5 to 24.99, which means they belong to the healthy weight category.*
- ✓ *Using testing of hypothesis, we see that,*
  - *There is no significant relation between consumption of fast food and Body Mass Index.*
  - *There is no significant relation between consumption of fast food and Place of Residence.*

- *There is no significant relationship between expenditure on fast food and students' family annual income.*
- *There is no significant relation between consumption of fast food and gender of students.*

## **Conclusion**

*Most of the respondents uses hostel mess and they regularly miss their meals which result in calories deficit. They also regularly consume fast food. Greater number of females are underweight (10 out of 27) where as few number of males are overweight (13 out of 112). But this is no gender dependence of fast food. Only few people feel energetic after taking the meals. A lot of respondents are in dilemma whether to take meals or not. Very few respondents feel satisfactory after taking meals.*

*Meals effect the mood of respondents too, and a healthy number of respondents feels that the meals are not worth it for money. We don't find any conclusive evidence to reject the null hypothesis that there is no significant relation between consumption of fast food and Body Mass Index.*

## **Field experience and difficulties**

*Execution stage of any sample survey requires a lot of patience and dedication to identify the sample individual in the field. I have opted for online questionnaire method for data collection. I got to know about Google Forms and learned to write in such a way that people found it interesting to participate in my survey.*

*I have faced multiple difficulties on my way to complete the project work and deal with it in efficient way. During the survey, sometime I had to remind the respondents two or three times to get the questionnaire filled. The main challenge was data cleaning; I got many responses that were incomplete or wrong, and so it took a lot of time to find out the proper responses. I learned many new things, like it was my first time with MS Word, which was very useful for creating documents, and I learned many new things in MS Excel, like pivot tables, which helped me a lot in making tables.*

*My project became more interesting and challenging for me due to all these difficulties. I got a great experience with it. I think it was a great opportunity for*

*me to learn something new from real life work by seeing conversion of theoretical knowledge into practical work.*

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## **QUESTIONNAIRE**

### Personal Information

1. Please Write your name

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2. Your Age \*

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- ☐ Below 18
- ☐ 18 to 20
- ☐ 21 to 23
- ☐ 23 and above

«. Your Gender \*

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4. Field of Study \*

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6. Place of Residence \*

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7. What is your family annual income ? \*

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- ☐ Below 80,000
- ☐ 80,000 - 1,50,000
- ☐ 1,50,000 - «,00,000
- ☐ above «,00,000

## Frequency of fast food consumption

8. How often do you eat fast food in week ? \*

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- ☐ Never
- ☐ 1-2 times
- ☐ «-4 times
- ☐ 5 or more times

9. Do you consider fast food a regular part of your diet ? \*

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- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

## Reason for choosing fast food

10. What are the main factor influencing your decision to eat fat food ? \*
- (Multiple select options)

*Check all that apply.*

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## Favorite fast food chains

11. \*
- What is your favorite fast food chains ?
- (Multiple select options)

*Check all that apply.*

☐ McDonald's

☐ B"ígcí ki-íg

☐ KIC

☐ Pizza H"t

☐ Komi-ío's

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12. Would you like to prefer to eat Street fast food or Restaurant fast food ? \*

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- 1«. What are the specific menu items do you typically order from these chains ? \*
- (N - Never , S - Sometimes , A - Always)

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Momos	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Pasta	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Noodlcs	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

## Health and Nutrition

14. How concerned are you about the nutrition content of fast food ? \*

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15. Do you typically make healthier choices when ordering fast food ? \*
- (example- Salads , Vegetable soup)

*Maik only one oval.*

☐ Ycs

☐ No

☐ MaQbc

## About your fitness (BMI calculation)

16. What's your Weight ?(in kg) \*
- (Approximately)

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17. What's your height ? (in cm) \*
- (Approximately)

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18. Does you think eating of fast food effect your body weight ? \*

*Maik only one oval.*

☐ Ycs

☐ No

## Spending habits

19. Approximately, How much do you spend money on fast food consumption per week ? \*

*Maik only one oval.*

☐ U→dcí Rs. 100

☐ Rs.100 - Rs.200

☐ Rs.200 - Rs.500

☐ Rs. 500 - Rs.1000

☐ Moíc tka→ Rs.1000

20. Do you budget specifically for fast food expenses ? \*

*Maik only one oval.*

☐ Ycs

☐ No

## Health problem

21. Have you faced any health problem by eating of fast food ? \*

*Maik only one oval.*

☐ Ycs

☐ No

22. If yes then answer the question Have you faced any of these health problem by eating of fast food ?

(Multiple select options)

*Check all that apply.*

☐ Stomack ackc

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## Awareness of Health risk due to fast food & Future Intentions

2«. Are you aware of the potential health risk associated with regular consumption of fast food ? \*

*Maik only one oval.*

☐ Ycs

☐ No

24. Do you plan to Decrease, maintain or increase your consumption of fast food ? \*

*Maik only one oval.*

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☐ Mai→tai→

☐ Kccicasc

25. What factor would influence your decision to change your fast food consumption habits ?

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Thanks for your responses ....

