# Chapter 1

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# 1.1 Populations, Samples, and Processes

Statistics provides methods for organizing and summarizing data and for drawing conclusions from that data

#### Def

Data: a collection of facts

#### Def

Population: A well defined collection of objects for which we wish to obtain info

#### Def

Census: When desired info is obtained from every member of the population

• problems: Time, money, practical

#### Def

Sample: A subset of the population

#### 1.

You want the home price in Edwardsville

• Fewer well trained appraisers gives better results than many poorly trained

### 2. Tree Age Study

Testing is destructive, so a sample is better

#### Def

variable: any characteristic whose clue may differ from one subject to another.

• denote with low letters

#### Note

- Don't say \$McDonald's = 10\$
- Do say x = the length of the tibia bone in 10 year old boys.

#### Def

univariate data: result from making observations of 1 variable

• these variable can be qualitative / quantitative

#### Def

Bivariate data: when observations are made on each of 2 variables for each individual

• (weight.mpg) of cars

#### Def

Multivariate data: observations made on many variables

• patient data

#### $\mathbf{E}\mathbf{x}$

Labor force, sample 60,000, find population + sample

• population = labor force, sample size = 60,000 households

#### **Branches of Stats**

- 1. Descriptive Stats: data are collected and you wish to summarize and describe features of the data (graphs, numerical summaries)
- 2. Inferential stats: data is collected from a sample and used to draw a conclusion about the population
  - confidence intervals, hypothesis test, prediction, etc...

### Types of sampling

- Simple random sampling: random choice / draw of the hat sampling
- Systematic sampling : selecting every  $k^{th}$  member of the population
- Cluster sampling : divide population into groups, then select some of these groups @ random
- Stratified sampling: divide population into groups. Find subgroups of groups (strata) and then draw random sample in strata
- Convenience sampling: sampling in the most convenient way
  - best to avoid , but a good starter

#### Notate

sample size : n

• For a dataset with n observations on some variable x, the individual observations will be denoted as  $x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_n$ .

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# Stem and leaf plots

## $\mathbf{E}\mathbf{x}$

(54, 59, 35, 41, 46, 25, 47, 60, 54, 46, 49, 46, 41, 34, 22)

During these problems it helps to first organize the numebrs in the list first

 $\begin{array}{c|c} 2 \mid 2,5 \\ 3 \mid 4,5 \\ 4 \mid 1,1,6,6,6,7,9 \\ 5 \mid 4,4,9 \\ 6 \mid 0 \end{array}$ 

# Dot plots

