Univariate EDA

R Handout

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Background

Karagas et al. (1996) conducted a pilot study to assess the utility of arsenic concentrations in the toenail as an indicator of ingestion of arsenic-containing water. They interviewed 21 individuals whose household drinking water supply was provided by a private (unregulated) well, including 10 individuals who lived in areas of New Hampshire where elevated water levels of arsenic had been reported previously. Each participant also provided a sample of water and toenail clippings.

The data are recorded in Arsenic.csv. Descriptions of the variables are below.

- age: Age (yrs) of person
- sex: Sex of person
- usedrink: How much (fraction of time) the well is used for drinking $-A = < \frac{1}{4}$, $B = \approx \frac{1}{4}$, $C = \approx \frac{1}{2}$, $D = "\approx \frac{3}{4}", E = "> \frac{3}{4}"$
- usecook: How much (fraction of time) the well is used for cooking $-A = < \frac{1}{4}$, $B = \approx \frac{1}{4}$, $C = \approx \frac{1}{2}$, D=" $\approx \frac{3}{4}$ ", E=" $> \frac{3}{4}$ "
- arswater: Arsenic in water (ppm)
- arsnails: Arsenic in toenails (ppm)

Getting the Data

21

36

М

```
> library(NCStats)
> setwd("C:/stats/")
> ars <- read.csv("Arsenic.csv")</pre>
> str(ars)
'data.frame':
                21 obs. of 6 variables:
           : int 44 45 44 66 37 45 47 38 41 49 ...
 $ age
           : Factor w/ 2 levels "F", "M": 1 1 2 1 2 1 2 1 1 1 ...
 $ usedrink: Factor w/ 5 levels "A","B","C","D",...: 5 4 5 3 2 5 5 4 3 4 ...
 $ usecook : Factor w/ 2 levels "B", "E": 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 1 2 ...
 $ arswater: num  0.00087 0.00021 0 0.00115 0 0 0.00013 0.00069 0.00039 0 ...
 $ arsnails: num  0.119  0.118  0.099  0.118  0.277  0.358  0.08  0.158  0.31  0.105  ...
> headtail(ars)
   age sex usedrink usecook arswater arsnails
         F
                  Ε
                           E 0.00087
    44
                                         0.119
2
    45
         F
                  D
                           Ε
                              0.00021
                                         0.118
3
    44
         Μ
                  Ε
                           Ε
                              0.00000
                                         0.099
19
    42
         М
                  Ε
                           E 0.01650
                                         0.275
20
    62
                  Ε
                           E 0.00012
                                         0.135
         М
                  Ε
                          E 0.00410
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0.175

Univariate EDA – Categorical

```
> ( tbl.drink <- xtabs(~usedrink,data=ars) )
usedrink
A B C D E
1 1 2 3 14
> percTable(tbl.drink,digits=1)

usedrink
A B C D E
4.8 4.8 9.5 14.3 66.7
> barplot(tbl.drink,xlab="Rating of Use for Drinking",ylab="Frequency",col="gray90")
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