Applied Epidemiology I: Summary statistics, tables and interpreting results

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. tabstat age // will only give you mean

variable | mean

age | 56.41176

. tabstat age, s(count mean median) // s stands for statistics
variable | N mean p50

age | 34 56.41176 56
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$$s^2 = \widehat{Var}(x) = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^{n} (x_i - \bar{x})^2$$

. tabstat age, s(count range min max iqr var sd)

variable	I	N	range	min	max
age	I	34	20	47	67

Tables: Bad example

What is the problem here?

Table 5
Simulation results for using full data, CRs only, and proposed method under four missing mechanisms

	Bias ^a		Variance ^b		95% CI°	
Method	$(\hat{\beta}_W)$	(\hat{eta}_X)	(\hat{eta}_W)	(\hat{eta}_X)	(\hat{eta}_W)	$(\hat{\beta}_X)$
		(M.1) P(R	= 1) = 0	0.66		
Full	0.01346	0.02229	0.04008	0.03685	0.955	0.950
Comp	0.03062	-0.003561	0.1149	0.06732	0.960	0.955
Impu	0.01431	0.021	0.04088	0.05169	0.980	0.975
	(I)	A.2) logit P	R(R=1)	= 2Y		
Full	0.007908	-0.02116	0.03838	0.03624	0.975	0.925
Comp	0.01945	0.07096	0.107	0.06581	0.960	0.950
Impu	0.006966	0.01597	0.04227	0.05226	0.975	0.985
	(I)	A.3) logit P	(R=1)	=2X		
Full	0.007908	-0.02116	0.03838	0.03624	0.975	0.925
Comp	0.01225	0.0589	0.08856	0.06818	0.980	0.975
Impu	0.009563	-0.04699	0.03865	0.04923	0.985	0.970
	(M.	4) logit $P(I$	R = 1) =	X + Y		
Full	0.01346	0.02229	0.04008	0.03685	0.955	0.950
Comp	0.02404	1.613	0.1102	0.08202	0.955	0.580
Impu	0.01814	0.08289	0.0578	0.06075	0.955	0.970

 $^{{}^{8}\}text{Bias} = (\hat{\beta} - \beta_{0})/\beta_{0}.$

^bSimulation variance.

^cConfidence interval using jackknife standard error.

Tables: Basics of making tables

- Headings should be
 - self-explanatory and informative
 - placed above the tables.
 - (Graph headings are placed below.)
- Tables are numbered sequentially.

- Don't insert tables from the program's output.
- No vertical lines
- As few horizontal lines as possible
- (Suggested) Arial 10 pt, normal spacing

Table 1: Baseline characteristics of colon cancer patients diagnosed during 1981-1990, Sweden.

		<50	50-59	60-69	70-79	≥80	All
Colon cancer							
1981-1990	Patient size (n)	1 148	2 485	6 227	9 381	5 442	24 683
	Female (%)	51.74	52.43	50.09	51.61	59.28	53.01
	Proportion of censoring ¹ (%)	34.41	15.69	3.12	0.22	0.09	4.07

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 table died, contents(freq mean age sd age)

1 if patient died		Freq.	mean(age)	sd(age)
	0 1	9 25	55.1111 56.88	5.487359 6.227091

- One-way table of frequencies
 - . tabulate died

1 if patient			
died	Freq.	Percent	Cum.
0	9	26.47	26.47
1	25	73.53	100.00
Total	34	100.00	

- Create table I of baseline characteristics using table1_mc
- This command is useful. Play it on your own!
- See help table1_mc

```
ssc install table1_mc, replace
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table1_mc, vars(age conts)
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Data are presented as median (IQR).

 2 by 2 table for drug and died with relative frequency by column or row

. tabulate died drug, col row

1 : £ |

1 11	1		
patient	Drug type	(1=placebo)	
died	0	1	Total
	+		+
0	1 8	1	9
	88.89	11.11	100.00
	57.14	5.00	26.47
	+		+
1	1 6	19	1 25
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- Using placebo has association with that the patients died or not.

• 2 by 2 tables straitified by sex

. bysort sex: tab died drug, col row chi2

 \rightarrow sex = 0

1 if patient died		(1=placebo)	Total
0	6	1	7
	85.71	14.29	100.00
	75.00	9.09	36.84
1	2	10	12
	16.67	83.33	100.00
	25.00	90.91	63.16
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0	l 2	0	2
	100.00	0.00	100.00
	33.33	0.00	13.33
	+	+	
1	l 4	9	13
	30.77	69.23	100.00
	66.67	100.00	86.67
	+	+	
Total	l 6	9	15
	40.00	60.00	100.00
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Pe	earson chi2	(1) = 3.4615	Pr = 0.06

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- But before demonstrating how this works, a recapture on basic epi terms!

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- Interpretation: there is a 50% decrease in the odds of having shiba among females compared to males. Higher odds of shiba ownership among males than females!
- It seems that females instead love guinea pigs more.

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- As ratio > 1,
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 - E.g., OR = 2.05, $(2.05 1) \times 100\% = 105\%$
 - The odds is 2 times higher.
 - Twice the odds

Diabetes Is a Risk Factor for Pulmonary Tuberculosis: A Case-Control Study from Mwanza, Tanzania (Faurholt-Jepsen, 2011)

	OR (95% C.I.)
	Model 2
	sex, y ² Model 1 + AGP ³
V negative (n = 770)	
Glucose intolerance status ¹	
normal glucose tolerance	ref.
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			Model 2
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 2-fold increase (OR: 2.15, 95% CI: 1.35; 3.42) in the odds of TB compared to not having diabetes.

Bidirectional association between physical activity and symptoms of anxiety and depression: the Whitehall II study (Azevedo Da Silva, 2012)

 $\begin{tabular}{ll} \textbf{Table 3} Cross-sectional associations between physical activity at recommended levels and anxiety and/or depression symptoms at phase 1 (1985–1988) (N = 9,309) \\ \end{tabular}$

	OR (CI 95 %)	P value
Anxiety symptoms		
Model 1		
Physical activity		
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	Drug type [Exposed	[1=placebo] Unexposed	 Tot	tal	
Cases Noncases		6 8	+ 	25 9	
Total	20	14	 	34	
Risk	.95	.4285714	.73529	941	
	Point	estimate	 [95% +	Conf.	Interval]
Risk difference Risk ratio Attr. frac. ex. Attr. frac. pop	2.2	214286 216667 488722 -71429	1.200	5166 0631 1043	4.092525
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Calculate ratios using Stata: Odds ratio

cs case exposed, or
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	Point	estimate	 [95% Cor	nf. Interval]	
Risk difference Risk ratio Attr. frac. ex. Attr. frac. pop	1 2.5	2.216667 .5488722		6 .7976911 1 4.092525 3 .7556521	
Odds ratio	•	5.33333	3.189793	3 .	(Cornfield
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Calculate ratios using Stata: Incidence rate ratio

ir case exposed studytime

. ir died drug studytime

Incidence-rate co	mparison					
	Drug type [1	=placebo]	1			
	Exposed	Unexposed	Total			
1 if patient die	•	6	25			
Months to death	180	209	389			
			+ 			
Incidence rate	.1055556	.0287081	.0642674			
	Point e	stimate	[95% Conf.	Interval]		
Inc. rate diff.	.076	.0768474		.1295766		
Inc. rate ratio	3.676852		1.411772	11.24864	(exact)	
Attr. frac. ex.	.7280282		.2916701	.9111003	(exact)	
Attr. frac. pop	.5533014		l 			
Mid p-values for tests of incidence-rate difference:						

Adj Pr(Exposed 1 if patient die <= 19) = 0.9985 (lower one-sided)

Adj Pr(Exposed 1 if patient die >= 19) = 0.0015 (upper one-sided)

Two-sided p-value = 0.0031

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