# Intentional Walks

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```
after_walk <- read_excel("/Users/owner/Desktop/Intentional Walks/ibb2024(2).xlsx")
no_walk <- read_excel("/Users/owner/Desktop/Intentional Walks/non-ibb2024(2).xlsx")</pre>
```

## **Data Processing**

```
after_walk = after_walk %>%
  mutate(total_bases = H + H2 + (2 * H3) + (3 * HR), OBP = (H + BB + HBP)/(AB + BB + HBP + SF)) %>%
  mutate(ID = row_number())

no_walk = no_walk %>%
  mutate(total_bases = H + H2 + (2 * H3) + (3 * HR), OBP = (H + BB + HBP)/(AB + BB + HBP + SF)) %>%
  mutate(ID = row_number())
```

## Slugging Percentage Testing

```
slug_after_walk <- after_walk %>%
   filter(AB != 0)

slug_no_walk <- no_walk %>%
   filter(AB != 0)

print(paste("Slugging percentage for at-bats following an intentional walk:", format(round(mean(slug_af

## [1] "Slugging percentage for at-bats following an intentional walk: 0.414"

print(paste("Slugging percentage for all other at-bats:", format(round(mean(slug_no_walk$total_bases), format(round(mean(slug_no_walk$t
```

## data: slug\_after\_walk\$total\_bases and slug\_no\_walk\$total\_bases

## t = 0.35592, df = 432.25, p-value = 0.361

#### **OBP** testing

```
OBP_after_walk <- after_walk %>%
 filter(!is.nan(OBP))
OBP_no_walk <- no_walk %>%
 filter(!is.nan(OBP))
print(paste("On-base percentage for at-bats following an intentional walk:", format(round(mean(OBP_afte
## [1] "On-base percentage for at-bats following an intentional walk: 0.345"
print(paste("On-base percentage for all other at-bats:", format(round(mean(OBP_no_walk$OBP), 3), nsmall
## [1] "On-base percentage for all other at-bats: 0.314"
OBP_t_test_result <- t.test(OBP_after_walk$OBP, OBP_no_walk$OBP, alternative = "greater")
OBP_t_test_result
##
## Welch Two Sample t-test
##
## data: OBP_after_walk$OBP and OBP_no_walk$OBP
## t = 1.4246, df = 507.51, p-value = 0.07744
## alternative hypothesis: true difference in means is greater than 0
## 95 percent confidence interval:
## -0.004733975
## sample estimates:
## mean of x mean of y
## 0.3445545 0.3143457
```

#### **OPS** Testing

```
calculate_group_metrics <- function(data) {
    # Total metrics

total_H <- sum(data$H, na.rm = TRUE)

total_BB <- sum(data$BB, na.rm = TRUE)

total_HBP <- sum(data$HBP, na.rm = TRUE)

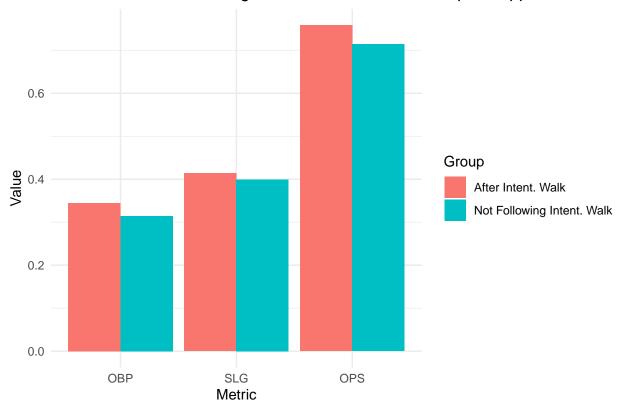
total_AB <- sum(data$AB, na.rm = TRUE)

total_SF <- sum(data$SF, na.rm = TRUE)

total_H2 <- sum(data$H2, na.rm = TRUE)</pre>
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total_H3 <- sum(data$H3, na.rm = TRUE)</pre>
  total_HR <- sum(data$HR, na.rm = TRUE)</pre>
  # Total bases calculation
  total_bases <- (total_H - total_H2 - total_H3 - total_HR) + (2 * total_H2) + (3 * total_H3) + (4 * to
  # Calculate OBP
  group OBP <- (total H + total BB + total HBP) / (total AB + total BB + total HBP + total SF)
  # Calculate SLG
  group_SLG <- total_bases / total_AB</pre>
  # Calculate group-level OPS
  group_OPS <- group_OBP + group_SLG</pre>
 return(list(OBP = group_OBP, SLG = group_SLG, OPS = group_OPS))
}
# Apply the function to both groups
group1_metrics <- calculate_group_metrics(after_walk)</pre>
group2_metrics <- calculate_group_metrics(no_walk)</pre>
print(paste("OPS for at-bats following an intentional walk:", format(round(mean(group1_metrics$OPS), 3)
## [1] "OPS for at-bats following an intentional walk: 0.759"
print(paste("OPS for all other at-bats:", format(round(mean(group2_metrics$OPS), 3), nsmall = 3)))
## [1] "OPS for all other at-bats: 0.714"
library(ggplot2)
# Combine group metrics into a data frame for visualization
group_metrics <- data.frame(</pre>
 Metric = rep(c("OBP", "SLG", "OPS"), 2),
 Value = c(group1_metrics$OBP, group1_metrics$SLG, group1_metrics$OPS,
            group2 metrics$OBP, group2 metrics$SLG, group2 metrics$OPS),
 Group = rep(c("After Intent. Walk", "Not Following Intent. Walk"), each = 3)
group_metrics$Metric <- factor(group_metrics$Metric, levels = c("OBP", "SLG", "OPS"))</pre>
# Create a bar plot
ggplot(group\_metrics, aes(x = Metric, y = Value, fill = Group)) +
 geom_bar(stat = "identity", position = position_dodge()) +
  labs(
    title = "Metrics of hitters following intentional walks vs. other plate appearances",
   x = "Metric",
    v = "Value"
  ) +
 theme_minimal()
```

## Metrics of hitters following intentional walks vs. other plate appearances



## **Runs Created**

```
RC_after_walk <- after_walk %>%
    mutate(RC = (total_bases * (H + BB))/ (AB + BB)) %>%
    na.omit()

RC_no_walk <- no_walk %>%
    mutate(RC = (total_bases * (H + BB))/ (AB + BB)) %>%
    na.omit()

print(paste("Runs Created for at-bats following an intentional walk:", format(round(mean(RC_after_walk$

## [1] "Runs Created for at-bats following an intentional walk: 0.378"

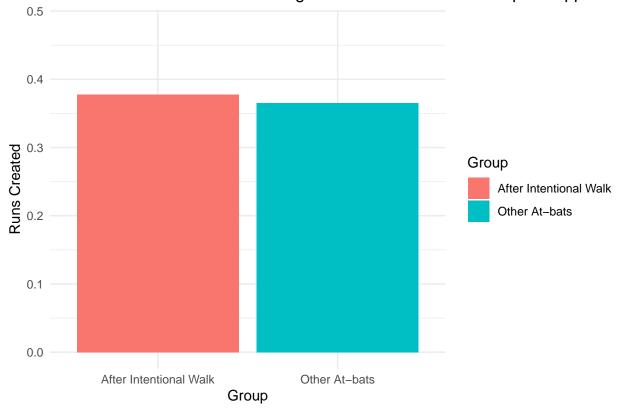
print(paste("Runs Created for all other at-bats:", format(round(mean(RC_no_walk$RC), 3), nsmall = 3)))

## [1] "Runs Created for all other at-bats: 0.365"

RC_t_test_result <- t.test(RC_after_walk$RC, RC_no_walk$RC, alternative = "greater")
RC_t_test_result</pre>
```

```
## Welch Two Sample t-test
##
## data: RC_after_walk$RC and RC_no_walk$RC
## t = 0.343, df = 473.56, p-value = 0.3659
## alternative hypothesis: true difference in means is greater than 0
## 95 percent confidence interval:
## -0.0485125
## sample estimates:
## mean of x mean of y
## 0.3779193 0.3651692
# Create a bar plot
RC_dataframe <- data.frame(</pre>
 Group = c("After Intentional Walk", "Other At-bats"),
  Value = c(mean(RC_after_walk$RC), mean(RC_no_walk$RC)))
ggplot(RC_dataframe, aes(x = Group, y = Value, fill = Group)) +
  geom_bar(stat = "identity", position = position_dodge()) +
  labs(
   title = "Runs Created for hitters following intentional walks vs. other plate appearances",
   x = "Group",
   y = "Runs Created"
 ) +
  scale_y_continuous(limits = c(0, max(RC_dataframe$Value) + 0.1)) +
  scale_fill_hue() +
  theme_minimal()
```

# Runs Created for hitters following intentional walks vs. other plate appearan



## Plate Appearances per Home Run

```
HRPA_after_walk <- 1/mean(after_walk$HR)</pre>
HRPA_no_walk <- 1/mean(no_walk$HR)</pre>
print(paste("At-bats per home run following an intentional walk:", format(round(1/mean(after_walk$HR),
## [1] "At-bats per home run following an intentional walk: 42.25"
print(paste("At-bats per home run for all other at-bats:", format(round(1/mean(no_walk$HR), 2), nsmall
## [1] "At-bats per home run for all other at-bats: 33.83"
Plate Appearances per Strikeout
print(paste("At-bats per strikeout following an intentional walk:", format(round(1/mean(after_walk$K)),
## [1] "At-bats per strikeout following an intentional walk: 4.922"
print(paste("At-bats per strikeout for all other at-bats:", format(round(1/mean(no_walk$K), 3), nsmall
## [1] "At-bats per strikeout for all other at-bats: 4.420"
print("T Test based on strikeouts per at-bat")
## [1] "T Test based on strikeouts per at-bat"
K_t_test_result <- t.test(after_walk$K, no_walk$K, alternative = "less")</pre>
K_t_test_result
##
## Welch Two Sample t-test
## data: after_walk$K and no_walk$K
## t = -1.2897, df = 510, p-value = 0.09888
\#\# alternative hypothesis: true difference in means is less than 0
## 95 percent confidence interval:
##
           -Inf 0.006419325
## sample estimates:
## mean of x mean of y
## 0.2031558 0.2262688
```