

## Practice Writing with Statistics

1. Choose one of the websites below *or* find one of your own (If these links become unavailable, just find a different source on a related topic.) For this exercise, the topics don't need to be academic.

### Education

<http://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/campuses/irvine/freshman-profile/>

<https://nces.ed.gov/fastfacts/display.asp?id=76>

<http://www.usnews.com/education/best-colleges/paying-for-college/articles/2015/07/29/chart-see-20-years-of-tuition-growth-at-national-universities>

### Sports

<http://stats.nba.com>

<http://www.soccerstats.com/scorers.asp?league=england>

<http://www.economist.com/blogs/graphicdetail/2014/06/daily-chart-2>

### Music

<http://www.grabstats.com/statcategorymain.aspx?StatCatID=9>

<http://www.statista.com/topics/1639/music/>

<http://www.statista.com/chartoftheday/Music/>

2. Write a short paragraph using at least one statistic from the source you chose. Don't use one of the sentences written in the source. Practice writing your own sentence about the statistic. Use the pattern you've learned to write about statistics:

- Write a topic sentence with your main point.
- Introduce the source of the statistic.
- Use a key statistic that supports your main point (be sure to cite it).
- Organize the statistical information in a logical order.
- Draw a conclusion from the statistics.
- Provide a concluding thought.

3. Submit your paragraph for feedback and grading.