U6614: Assignment 2

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Please submit your knitted .pdf file along with the corresponding R markdown (.rmd) via Courseworks by 11:59pm on Monday, January 31st.

Before knitting your rmd file as a pdf, you will need to install TinyTex for Latex distribution by running the following code:

tinytex::install_tinytex()

Please visit this link for more information on TinyTex installation.

1 Load and inspect CPS data:

- 1a) Inspect the data frame and data types for each column
 - remember to remove NAs
 - make sure to inspect the age, sex, race, college columns
- 1b) Use the mutate function to create new column for sex
 - $\operatorname{sex.fac} = \operatorname{as.factor}(\operatorname{sex}),$
 - check if it worked by calling the str() function
- 1c) Include sex.fac in a new data frame called cps.temp1
 - also create factors for race and college education,
 - use a pipe to exclude the columns for serial, ind
 - after creating cps.temp1, print the first 5 observations
- 1d) Inspect race.fac, sex.fac, and college.fac using the levels() function
 - what package is the levels() function located in?
- 1e) Use filter() to only include rows only for June 2020
 - store as a new object cps_2020,
 - print the first 5 observations,
 - confirm your data only includes observations for 2020
- 1f) Remove the cps.temp1 object from memory using the rm() function

2 Describe the cps 2020 data frame

- 2a) What is the unit of observation?
- 2b) How many individuals are observed? from how many households?
- 2c) What is the average age of individuals in the sample? Youngest and oldest person?

3 Earnings per week for different groups in June 2020

- 3a) Find the observation for the top weekly earnings using the summarise() function
 - assign this to a new object called max earnings
- 3b) Find max weekly earnings using the arrange function instead of summarise
- 3c) Use the filter function to subset for the observation with max weekly earnings
 - don't hardcode the max earnings to filter on, refer to the max_earnings object from a),
 - store in new data frame cps max earn,
 - confirm it worked
- 3d) What is the age, sex, and race of the top weekly earner in the sample?
- 3e) List the age, sex, and race of the top 10 weekly earners in the sample
- 3f) How many individuals earned more than \$2000 in weekly earnings?

4 Wage gaps between males and females:

- 4a) Use the filter function to subset observations for males
 - assign to new data frame, cps_2020_male,
 - sort in descending order of weekly earnings
 - check if it worked
- 4b) Repeat part a for females and create a new data frame, cps_2020_female
- 4c) Use summarise to find mean, min & max for males and females, separately
 - name each statistic appropriately (i.e. name each column in the 1-row table of stats)
 - what is the gender gap in mean weekly earnings?
- 4d) What is the wage gap in weekly earnings between white males and Black females?
- 4e) What is the wage gap between college educated white males and college educated Black females?

NOTE: the exercises above are done using weekly earnings, but can easily be converted to hourly wages