Assignment 3 - Data Analysis

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1. Frequency tables for Age_Group and Heart_Disease :

The FREQ Procedure

Age Group								
Cumulative Cumulati Age_Group Frequency Percent Frequency Perce								
Middle-Aged	696	67.90	696	67.90				
Senior	272	26.54	968	94.44				
Young	57	5.56	1025	100.00				

Heart Disease							
Cumulative Cu Heart_Disease Frequency Percent Frequency							
No	499	48.68	499	48.68			
Yes	526	51.32	1025	100.00			

2. Average cholesterol (chol) and resting blood pressure (trestbps) grouped by Heart_Disease :

The MEANS Procedure

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Heart_Disease	Obs	variable	Labei	Mean
No	499	chol trestbps	Serum Cholesterol (mg/dL) Resting Blood Pressure (mm Hg)	251.29 134.11
Yes	526		Serum Cholesterol (mg/dL) Resting Blood Pressure (mm Hg)	240.98 129.25

COMMENT:

The average cholesterol (chol) was slightly higher in patients without heart disease (251.29 mg/dL) compared to those with heart disease (240.98 mg/dL).

The average resting blood pressure (trestbps) was also higher in patients without heart disease (134.11 mm Hg) than in those with heart disease (129.25 mm Hg).

This result may appear counterintuitive, but it could be explained by treatment effects or other confounding factors (e.g., age, sex, lifestyle, or medication use).

Therefore, cholesterol and blood pressure alone are not sufficient predictors of heart disease in this dataset, and further statistical testing or multivariate analysis is recommended.

3. Relationship between sex and Heart_Disease:

The FREQ Procedure

Frequency	Table of sex by Heart_Disease						
	sex(0 – Female	2	Heart_Disease				
	sex(0 = Female 1 = Male)	,	No	Yes	Total		
		0	86	226	312		
		1	413	300	713		
	Total		499	526	1025		

Statistics for Table of sex by Heart_Disease

Statistic	DF	Value	Prob
Chi-Square	1	80.0737	<.0001
Likelihood Ratio Chi-Square	1	82.3927	<.0001
Continuity Adj. Chi-Square	1	78.8631	<.0001
Mantel-Haenszel Chi-Square	1	79.9956	<.0001
Phi Coefficient		-0.2795	
Contingency Coefficient		0.2692	
Cramer's V		-0.2795	

Fisher's Exact Test					
Cell (1,1) Frequency (F)	86				
Left-sided Pr <= F	<.0001				
Right-sided Pr >= F	1.0000				
Table Probability (P)	<.0001				
Two-sided Pr <= P	<.0001				

Sample Size = 1025

COMMENT:

Among females (sex=0), 86 had no heart disease while 226 had heart disease.

Among males (sex=1), 413 had no heart disease while 300 had heart disease.

The Chi-Square test shows a highly significant association between sex and heart disease (Chi-Square=80.07, p<0.0001).

This suggests that sex is strongly related to the prevalence of heart disease in this dataset.

Interpretation: Females have proportionally more cases of heart disease compared to males, even though the absolute number of male patients is higher.

Effect size measures (Phi = -0.28, Cramer's V = -0.28) indicate a moderate strength of association.

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4. Top 5 oldest patients with heart disease with some variables:

Line_Number	Age (years)	Sex (0 = Female, 1 = Male)	Age_Group	Heart_Disease	Resting Blood Pressure (mm Hg)	Serum Cholesterol (mg/dL)	Resting Electrocardiographic Results	Thalassemia (3 = Normal, 6 = Fixed Defect, 7 = Reversible Defect)
536	76	0	Senior	Yes	140	197	2	2
100	76	0	Senior	Yes	140	197	2	2
966	76	0	Senior	Yes	140	197	2	2
591	74	0	Senior	Yes	120	269	0	2
725	74	0	Senior	Yes	120	269	0	2

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