

Applied Research Methods (MULT30018)

Tutorial 3 Nhan La



Tutorial Objectives

- Understand the difference between correlation and causation
- Conduct crosstabs and correlations using SPSS
- Research question group activity



Eating healthy is hard (so is relevant causality)





- What is an independent variable?
- What is a dependent variable?
- What is correlation?
- What is causation?



- Causation non-involvement
- Effects of outsiders
- True causality
 - Dose-response
 - Temporality
 - Multiple causations



- Looking at the longer effects of any phenomenon, act or policy
- Tracing the effects from multiple factors.



Application in SPSS

- Examining crosstabs
- Recoding data
- Running correlations



Research Design Group

- In your group, develop a research question around idea of age
- Work out the question and put in the relevance with existing theory
- Test the research question using crosstabs and correlation coefficients
- Discuss the findings



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